

## BLM1612 - Circuit Theory

### Syllabus

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## Course Details

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## Assesment (for the first-time takers)

Method	Quantity	(%)
Quiz	-	-
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Laboratory	5	20
Midterm Exam(s)	1(2)	30
Final Exam	1	40
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## Course Outline

- 1. Introduction.**  
Lumped circuit elements, Levels of abstraction, What are the circuits?, Course objectives.
- 2. Basic Concepts.**  
Units, Charge, Current, Voltage, Power, Conservation of Energy, Circuit Elements, Networks vs. Circuits, Ohm's Law, .
- 3. Voltage and Current Laws.**  
Circuit Terminology, Kirchhoff's Current Law, Kirchhoff's Voltage Law, The Single-Loop Circuit, Conservation of Energy, The Single-Node-Pair Circuit, Series Circuits, Parallel Circuits, Voltage Division, Current Division.
- 4. Nodal and Mesh Analysis.**  
Nodal (or "Node-Voltage") Analysis, Nodal Analysis with Supernodes, Mesh (Current) Analysis, Mesh Analysis with Supermeshes, Equivalent Practical Sources.
- 5. Linearity & Superposition.**  
Linearity, Superposition, Superposition: Voltage Sources, Superposition: Current Sources, Practical Voltage Sources, Practical Current Sources.
- 6. Thevenin & Norton Equivalents.**  
Thevenin Equivalent, Power from a Practical Source, Maximum Power Transfer .
- 7. The Operational Amplifier.**  
The Operational Amplifier, Inverting Amplifier, Noninverting Amplifier, Voltage Follower, Summing Amplifier, Difference Amplifier, Op-Amp Cascades, Op-Amp Parameters, Common Mode Rejection, Saturation, An instrumentation amplifier.

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## Course Outline

- 8. Capacitors and Inductors.**  
Capacitance, Capacitor Current & Voltage, Capacitor Characteristics, Inductance, Inductor Current & Voltage, Inductor Characteristics, Inductor Energy Storage, DC Capacitor Circuits, DC Inductor Circuits.
- 9. Basic RL and RC Circuits.**  
The Source-Free RL Circuit, The Source-Free RC Circuit, Unit-Step Definition, Driven RL Circuit, Driven RC Circuit.
- 10. RLC Circuits.**  
Parallel RLC Circuit, Series RLC Circuit, RLC Solution: Over-damped, RLC Solution: Critically Damped, RLC Solution: Under-damped, The Complete Response Of The RLC Circuit.
- 11. AC Analysis.**  
Complex numbers, phasors, impedance, admittance, Sinusoidal steady-state; Ohm's Law, KVL, KCL for AC circuits, Sinusoidal steady-state: Thevenin, superposition, examples.
- 12. The Frequency Response.**  
Frequency response: transfer function, logarithms, Bode plots.  
Frequency response: resonance, passive & active filter design
- 13. Laplace Transform.**  
Laplace: introduction to transforms, inverse transform.  
Laplace: theorems, solving differential equations
- 14. s-Domain analysis**  
s-Domain analysis: transfer functions, poles, zeroes.  
s-Domain analysis: nodal, mesh, additional techniques

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## COURSE OBJECTIVES

- Students will be able to:
  - Analyze wide range of pure resistive DC circuits using the different techniques covered through-out the course.
  - Gains hands-on experience in DC circuit problem solving tricks and shortcuts.
  - Utilize the Thevenin theorem as a core tool in circuit analysis.
  - Analyze RL, RC, and RLC circuits with the proper tools.
  - Carry power consumption calculation for different components in a DC circuit.
  - Design, simulate, and implement Basic DC circuits.

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## Suggested Texts

### Engineering Circuit Analysis

by William Hayt, Jack Kemmerly, Steven Durbin  
ISBN 0073529575

### Basic engineering circuit analysis

by J. David Irwin, R. Mark Nelms  
ISBN 978-1-118-95598-7

### Introductory Circuit Analysis

by Robert L. Boylestad  
ISBN 978-0-13-392360-5

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## Rules of the Conduct

- No eating /drinking in class
  - *except water*
- Cell phones must be kept outside of class or switched-off during class
  - *If your cell-phone rings during class or you use it in any way, you will be asked to leave and counted as unexcused absent.*
- No web surfing and/or unrelated use of computers,
  - when computers are used in class or lab.

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## Rules of the Conduct

- You are responsible for checking the class web page often for announcements.
- Academic dishonesty and cheating will not be tolerated and will be dealt with according to university rules and regulations
  - *Presenting any work, or a portion thereof, that does not belong to you is considered academic dishonesty.*
- University rules and regulations:
  - <http://www.ogi.yildiz.edu.tr/category.php?id=17>
  - [https://www.yok.gov.tr/content/view/544/230/lang.tr\\_TR/](https://www.yok.gov.tr/content/view/544/230/lang.tr_TR/)

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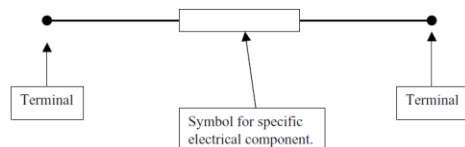
## Attendance Policy

- The requirement for attendance is **70%**.
  - *Hospital reports are not accepted to fulfill the requirement for attendance.*
  - *The students, who fail to fulfill the attendance requirement, will be excluded from the final exams and the grade of **F0** will be given.*

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## Electric Circuit

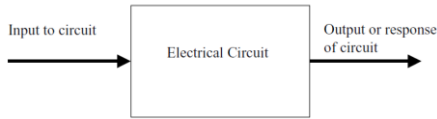
- An arrangement into a network of several connected **two-terminal** electrical components.
  - *Each type of component will have its own symbol.*



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## What Is Circuit Analysis?

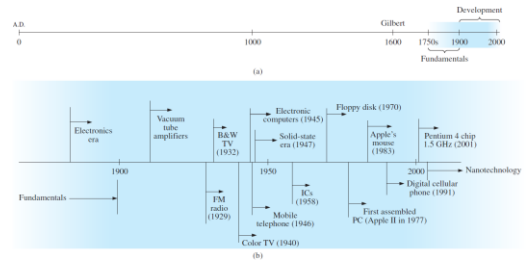
- Art of finding out how the unique circuit we are given responds to a particular input.
  - The input could be a voltage or a current, or maybe some combination of voltages and currents.
- The response of the circuit is the output.



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## A brief history

- Time charts indicating a limited number of major developments
  - (a) long-range; (b) expanded



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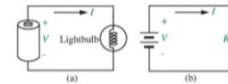
## Abstraction

- We have electromagnetic phenomena and this data can be expressed by using Maxwell's equations. (Scientific part)
- Electrical engineers create a new abstraction layer on top of Maxwell's equations called the **lumped circuit abstraction**.
- By using this lumped circuit abstraction electrical and computer systems can be designed.

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## Lumped circuit element

- A lumped circuit element is often used as an abstract representation or a model of a piece of material with complicated behaviour.

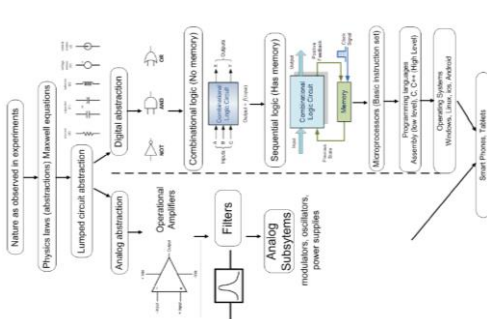


a) A simple light bulb circuit b) The lumped circuit representation

- $R$  is a lumped element abstraction for the bulb.
- A lumped element is described by its  $v-i$  (voltage - current) relation.

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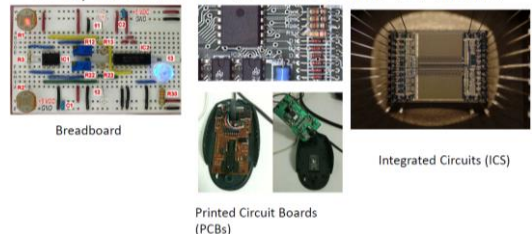
## Levels of abstraction



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## What are the circuits?

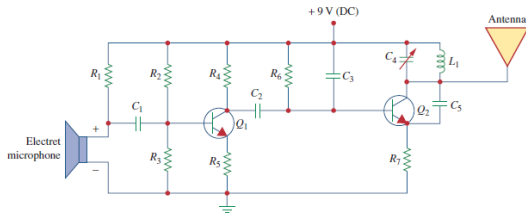
- A **circuit** consists of electrical or electronic components interconnected with metal wires.
- Every electrical or electronic device is a circuit.



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## What are the circuits?

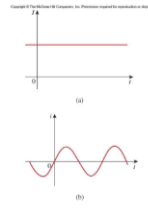
- The schematic diagram for a radio receiver



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## Course objectives

- (1) to understand the electromagnetic concepts of charge, voltage, current, power, and energy



a) DC, b) AC

	Alternating Current (AC)	Direct Current (DC)
<b>Amount of energy that can be carried</b>	Safe to transfer over longer city distances	Voltage of DC cannot travel very far until it begins to lose energy
<b>Frequency</b>	The frequency of alternating current is 50Hz or 60Hz	The frequency of direct current is zero
<b>Direction</b>	It reverses its direction while flowing in a circuit	It flows in one direction in the circuit
<b>Obtained from</b>	A.C Generator	Cell or Battery
<b>Magnitude</b>	Magnitude varying with time	Constant magnitude

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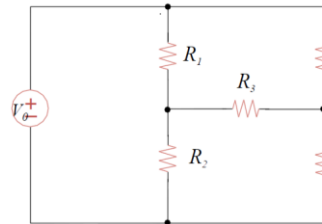
## Course objectives

- (2) to understand the function of **linear circuit elements** (e.g. resistors, inductors, capacitors, voltage sources, current sources, operational amplifiers)
  - a linear circuit is an electric circuit in which **circuit parameters** (Resistance, inductance, capacitance) are **constant**.
  - a **nonlinear circuit** is an electric circuit whose parameters are **changing** with respect to current and voltage (diodes, transistors)

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## Course objectives

- (3) to understand and apply circuit theory (e.g. Ohm's Law, Kirchoff's Voltage & Current Laws)

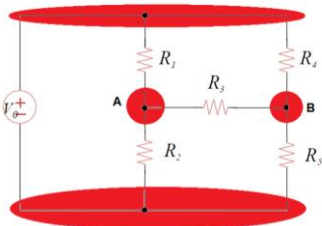


-A simple circuit can be analysed with KVL and KCL but lots of equations must be solved.  
- So, easier methods are needed.

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## Course objectives

- (4) to apply linear analysis techniques (nodal, mesh, superposition, source transformation, Thevenin & Norton equivalents) to compute Direct Current circuit responses

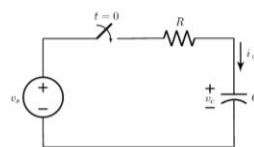


- In nodal analysis, same circuit can be solved by using two node equations (A, B)

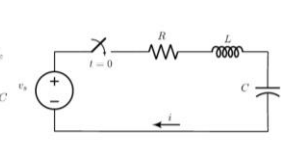
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## Course objectives

- (5) to compute the transient and steady-state responses of first- and second-order linear circuits



A first order RC circuit

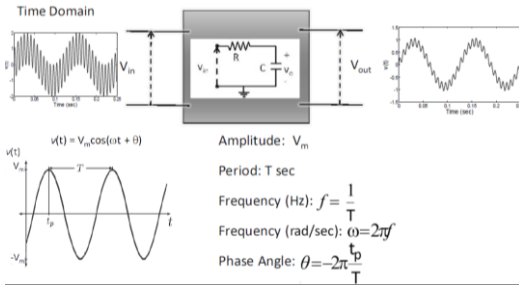


A second order RLC circuit

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## Course objectives

- (6) to determine the linear steady-state responses of Alternating Current circuits using phasors



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## Linear vs. Nonlinear

- Linear problems are inherently more easily solved than their nonlinear counterparts.
- For this reason, we often seek reasonably accurate **linear approximations** (or **models**) to physical situations.
- The linear models are more easily manipulated and understood which makes **analysis** and **design** a more straightforward process.

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## Linear vs. Nonlinear

- Many systems behave in a reasonably linear fashion over a limited range
  - allowing us to model them as linear systems if we keep the range limitations in mind.
- For example, consider the common function  $f(x) = e^x$
- A linear approximation to this function is  $f(x) \approx 1 + x$

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## Linear vs. Nonlinear

- Comparison of a Linear Model for  $e^x$  to Exact Value

$x$	$f(x)^*$	$1 + x$	Relative error**
0.0001	1.0001	1.0001	0.000005%
0.001	1.0010	1.001	0.00005%
0.01	1.0101	1.01	0.005%
0.1	1.1052	1.1	0.5%
1.0	2.7183	2.0	26%

\*Quoted to four significant figures.  
 \*\*Relative error  $\triangleq \left| 100 \times \frac{e^x - (1+x)}{e^x} \right|$

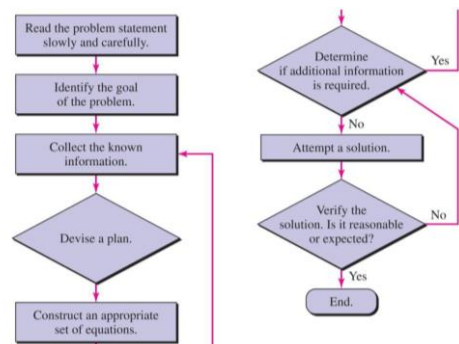
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## Analysis and Design

- **Analysis** is the process through which we determine the scope of a problem, obtain the information required to understand it, and compute the parameters of interest.
- **Design** is the process by which we synthesize something **new** as part of the solution to a problem.
- A crucial part of design is analysis of potential solutions!

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## Problem-Solving Strategies



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## Solving Linear Equations

Assume that we must solve a system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} 7v_1 - 3v_2 - 4v_3 = -11 \\ -3v_1 + 6v_2 - 2v_3 = 3 \\ -4v_1 - 2v_2 + 11v_3 = 25 \end{cases}$$

- could solve these equations by systematic elimination of variables
- quicker way: using matrices, let a computer/calculator perform the required operations

**MatLab** can be used.

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## Matrix solution to linear equations

Step 1: Identify the coefficients and variables...

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 & -4 \\ -3 & 6 & -2 \\ -4 & -2 & 11 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -11 \\ 3 \\ 25 \end{bmatrix} \quad V = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

coefficients  variables

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## Matrix solution to linear equations

Step 2: Write the equations in matrix form...

$$G \cdot V = B \quad \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 & -4 \\ -3 & 6 & -2 \\ -4 & -2 & 11 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -11 \\ 3 \\ 25 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 3: Perform the required operations...

$$\begin{aligned} G \cdot V &= B \\ G^{-1} \cdot G \cdot V &= G^{-1} \cdot B \\ V &= G^{-1} \cdot B \end{aligned} \quad \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 & -4 \\ -3 & 6 & -2 \\ -4 & -2 & 11 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -11 \\ 3 \\ 25 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**$v_1 = 1 \text{ V}, v_2 = 2 \text{ V}, v_3 = 3 \text{ V}$**

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## Matrix inversion

$$V = G^{-1} \cdot B \quad \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 & -4 \\ -3 & 6 & -2 \\ -4 & -2 & 11 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -11 \\ 3 \\ 25 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

A matrix multiplied by its inverse equals the **identity matrix** (ones on the main diagonal, zeroes off the diagonal).

$$G^{-1} \cdot G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We will use Matlab to solve for  $G^{-1}$ .  $G^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} .325 & .215 & .157 \\ .215 & .319 & .136 \\ .157 & .136 & .173 \end{bmatrix}$

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## Matlab Procedure

```
>> G = [7 -3 -4;-3 6 -2;-4 -2 11]
G =
     7     -3     -4
    -3     6     -2
    -4     -2     11
>> G^-1
ans =
    0.3246    0.2147    0.1571
    0.2147    0.3194    0.1361
    0.1571    0.1361    0.1728
```

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## Matlab Procedure

```
>> B = [-11;3;25]
B =
   -11
     3
    25
>> V = G^-1 * B
V =
    1.0000
    2.0000
    3.0000
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## Examples

Rewrite the following systems of equations in matrix format and solve:

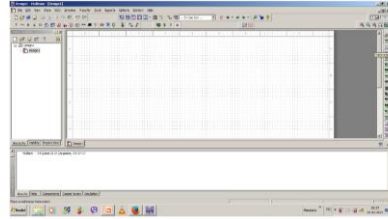
$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad & 300I_1 - 250I_2 - 400I_3 = 10 \\ & -250I_1 + 375I_2 - 125I_3 = 0 \\ & -400I_1 - 125I_2 + 725I_3 = 7.5 \end{aligned}$$

```
>> G = [
      300 -250 -400
      -250 375 -125
      -400 -125 725
];
>> B = [ 10; 0; 7.5 ];
>> I = G^-1 * B
I =
-0.0734
-0.0626
-0.0409
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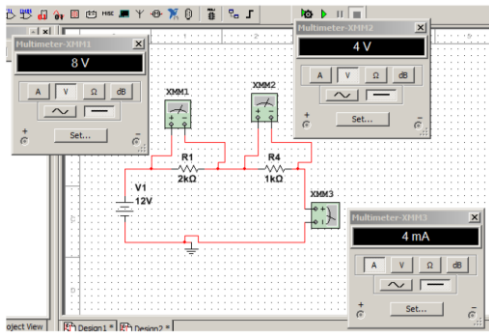
## Multisim

- Multisim is a powerful **schematic capture** and **simulation** environment that engineers and students can use to simulate electronic circuits and prototype Printed Circuit Boards (PCBs).



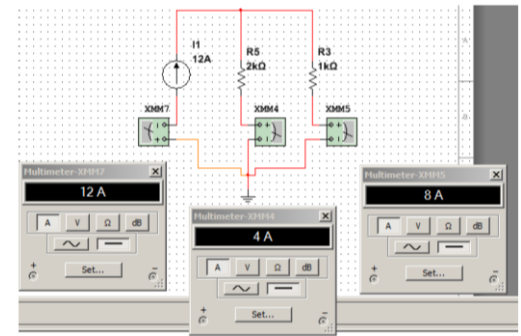
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