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1st Practical Work

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1. Purpose : The main objectives of this work are :

- Raise the characteristics of the different measuring instruments.
- Know how to use and handle a measuring instrument.
- Know how to perform a measurement setup for a given electrical quantity, such as voltage, current intensity, resistance, etc.

2. Preparation work :**a.** Formulate the following definitions :

- The electrical voltage (U) is
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- The electric current (intensity I) is
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- The electrical resistance (R) is
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- The electrical capacitance (C) is
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b. Answer the following questions:

- What instrument is used to measure the value of " U " ?
- What instrument is used to measure the value of " I " ?
- What instrument is used to measure the value of " R " ?
- What is the relationship between: " U ", " I " and " R " ?
- What is an electrical multimeter ?
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- What is a cathode ray oscilloscope (CRO) ?
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- What is a low frequency generator (LFG) ?
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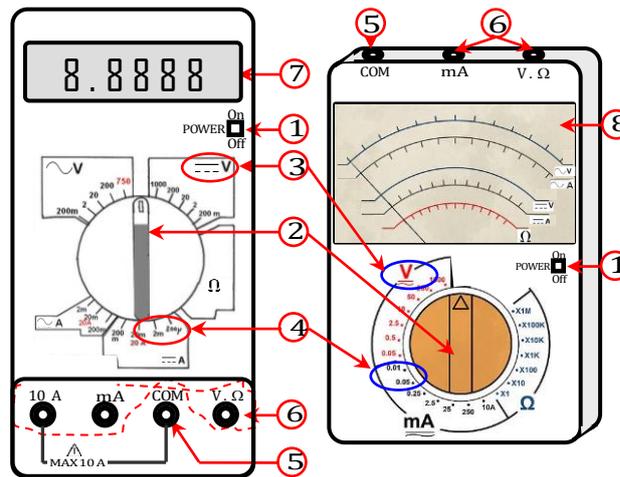
3. Electrical measuring instruments :**3.1. Electrical Multimeter (figure 1)**

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| ① " On/Off " switch | ⑤ COM terminal (Negative terminal) |
| ② Function (and range) selector knob | ⑥ Positive terminals (depending on function) |
| ③ Function (Voltmeter, Ammeter or Ohmmeter) | ⑦ Display screen |
| ④ Measuring ranges | ⑧ Dial with needle |

Digital multimeter

Analog multimeter

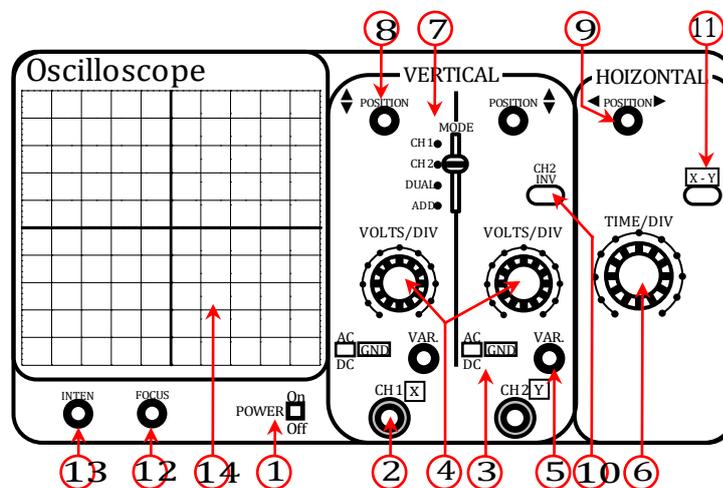
Figure 1 :



3.2. Cathode Ray Oscilloscope (CRO) [also known as oscilloscope] (figure 2)

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| ① " On/Off " switch | ⑧ Vertical signal positioning control |
| ② INPUT[CH1] terminal (X-axis input terminal) | ⑨ Horizontal positioning control |
| ③ Connection mode (AC,DC or GND) | ⑩ " Trace signal [-CH1] " switch |
| ④ Vertical sensitivity selector (Volts/Div) | ⑪ " X-Y Mode " switch |
| ⑤ Precise adjustment of vertical sensitivity | ⑫ Adjusting the spot size |
| ⑥ Horizontal sensitivity selector (Time/Div) | ⑬ Adjusting the light intensity of the spot |
| ⑦ Operating mode selector | ⑭ Fluorescent screen |

Figure 2:



3.3. Low Frequency Generator (LFG) (figure 3)

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| ① " On/Off " switch | ⑤ Adjustment of the amplitude (the voltage delivered) |
| ② Display screen | ⑥ Frequency adjustment |
| ③ Setting the frequency range | ⑦ Output terminal [Black=COM] |
| ④ Setting the signal type | |

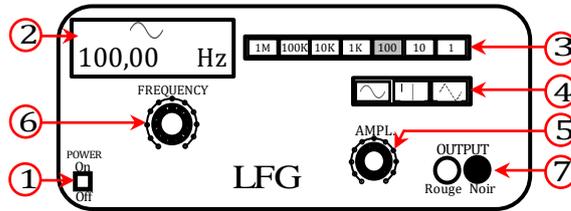


Figure 3 :

4. Practical work :

Experiment 1 : Verification of Ohm's law

- Draw the diagram of a simple circuit consisting of a direct current (DC) generator and a resistor, then add an ammeter (or Ampere meter) and a voltmeter.
- Set up this circuit using an analog multimeter as Ammeter and a digital multimeter as Voltmeter.

- Measure the voltage across resistor R. $U = \dots\dots\dots V$

- Using these relationships :

$$\begin{cases} \text{Measurement} = \frac{\text{Reading} \times \text{Range}}{\text{Scale's maximum}} \\ \text{Reading} = \text{Number of divisions} \times \text{Least count of scale} \end{cases}$$

measure the current in the circuit. $I = \dots\dots\dots A$

- Applying Ohm's law, calculate the resistance R from the measured voltage and current values.

$$R_{\text{calc}} = \dots\dots\dots \Omega$$

- Use the digital multimeter as an Ohmmeter, and connect it directly to the resistor. Measure the resistance R.

$$R_{\text{meas}} = \dots\dots\dots \Omega$$

- Compare the calculated value with the measured value of the resistance. Conclude ?.....

Experiment 2 : Using an oscilloscope to Plot the signal of a DC voltage (a direct current)

Connect a voltmeter (digital multimeter) to the generator terminals (that was used in the previous experiment) .

- Measure the voltage delivered : $E = \dots\dots\dots V$ (" E " is the electromotive force)
- Unplug the voltmeter, and connect the generator to the input of channel 1 (CH1) of an oscilloscope.
- Operate the oscilloscope, then set it (choose the light spot, the origin of the times).
- Plot the signal obtained, by putting the oscilloscope in the DC position, then in the AC position.
- Note your remarks and comments.

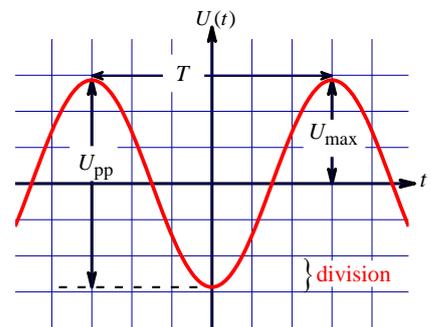
DC Position	AC Position	Remarks and results
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Experiment 3 : Using an oscilloscope to plot the signal of an AC voltage (an alternating current)

Reminder: if we apply to the oscilloscope input a signal $U(t)$ and we obtain the graph below, we have:

- Peak-to-peak value : $U_{pp} = N_{div} \times S_v$
- Maximum value (Peak value or Amplitude) : $U_{max} = \frac{U_{pp}}{2}$
- Period : $T = N_{div} \times S_h$



Such as : N_{div} is the number of divisions

S_v is the vertical sensitivity (Volts/div)

S_h is the horizontal sensitivity (Time/div)

Connect the CH1 input of the oscilloscope to the terminals of a LFG generator

- Apply an alternating voltage, of a frequency $f_{LFG} = 100 \text{ Hz}$.
- Choose a sinusoidal signal, triangular and then square.
- Measure the applied voltage using a voltmètre. $U_{voltmètre} = U_{eff}$ (the effective voltage).
- Complete the following table :

	Sinusoidal signal		Triangular signal		Square signal	
	$S_h = \dots\dots \text{ ms/div}$	$S_v = \dots\dots \text{ V/div}$	$S_h = \dots\dots \text{ ms/div}$	$S_v = \dots\dots \text{ V/div}$	$S_h = \dots\dots \text{ ms/div}$	$S_v = \dots\dots \text{ V/div}$
$U_{eff} \text{ (V)}$	
$U_{max} \text{ (V)}$	
$T \text{ (s)}$	
$\left(\frac{U_{max}}{U_{eff}} \right)^2$	

According to the results, what is the relationship between U_{eff} and U_{max} for the three signal modes :

- Sinusoidal signal : $U_{\text{eff}} = \dots\dots\dots U_{\text{max}}$
- Triangular signal : $U_{\text{eff}} = \dots\dots\dots U_{\text{max}}$
- Square signal : $U_{\text{eff}} = \dots\dots\dots U_{\text{max}}$

Experiment 4 : Measurement of phase shift between two signals (voltage-current phase shift of an RC circuit)

Perform the setup of an RC circuit, and apply an alternating voltage of a frequency $f_{LFG} = 200 \text{ Hz}$.

- Connect the inputs (CH1 and CH2) of the oscilloscope, as shown in the figure 4.
- Complete the table, and check the relationship between the shift phase $\Delta\varphi$, R , C and f ?

	$S_h = \dots\dots\dots \text{ ms/div}$ $S_v = \dots\dots\dots \text{ V/div}$
AB (div)
$T = AB \times S_h$ (s)
MN (div)
$\Delta T = MN \times S_h$ (s)
$\Delta\varphi$ [rd]
$2\pi \times R \times C \times \tan(\Delta\varphi)$

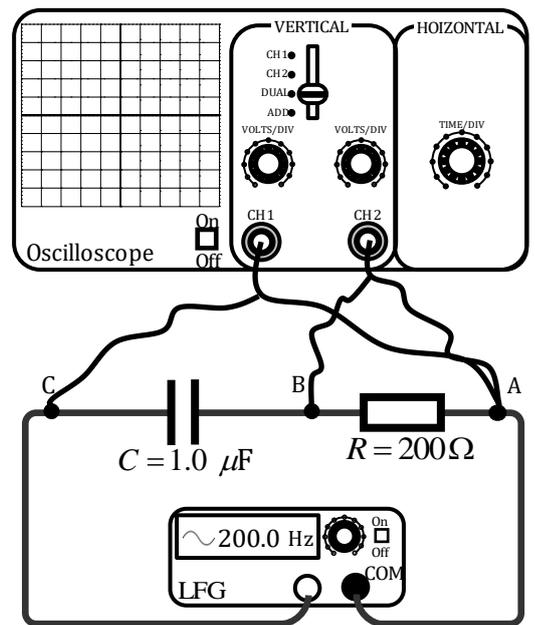


Figure 4

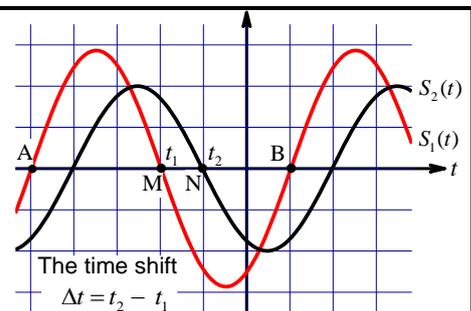
Reminder: Consider the two sinusoidal signals defined as follows:

$$\begin{cases} S_1(t) = S_{01} \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t + \varphi_1) \\ S_2(t) = S_{02} \cdot \sin(\omega \cdot t + \varphi_2) \end{cases}$$

Such as : $\omega [s^{-1}]$: is the angular frequency of signals $\left(\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} \right)$

φ_1 [rd] : is the phase of the signal $S_1(t)$

φ_2 [rd] : is the phase of the signal $S_2(t)$



The phase shift between the two signals S_1 et S_2 is defined by : $\Delta\varphi = \varphi_2 - \varphi_1 = 2\pi \frac{\Delta t}{T}$

5. Conclusion

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