

**CRN# 21172 CPET 101-01 Electrical Circuits**  
**CRN# 22851 ECET 102-01 Electrical Circuits I**  
**Spring 2012**

**Course Description**

CPET 101/ECET 102 (4 Cr., Class 3, Lab 2): A study of DC electrical circuits, Ohm's Law, Kirchhoff's Laws, series and parallel circuits, power, magnetism, ammeters, voltmeters, ohmmeters, inductance, capacitance, and an introduction to alternating voltages, currents and reactances.

**Preparation for Course:** C: MA 15300.

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- Monday 2:00 - 4:00 PM
- Monday 6:00 - 7:00 PM
- Tuesday 2:30 - 5:30 PM
- Wednesday 2:00 - 4:00 PM
- Other weekday hours – by appointment

**Lecture:** Room ET 131 Monday & Wednesday 4:30-5:45PM

**Lab:** Room ET 305 Monday 7:30-9:30PM

Course Web site: <http://www.etcs.ipfw.edu/~lin>

**Required Text:**

Robert L. Boylestad, *Introductory Circuit Analysis*, 12<sup>th</sup> edition, Pearson Education, ISBN 9780-1371-46666, 2010.

**Course Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of this course, a student will have demonstrated the ability to:

- 1) Understand the operation of power supplies and modern electronic meters and equipment
- 2) Be familiar with the concepts of voltage and current.
- 3) Be familiar with the concepts of resistance.
- 4) Be familiar with Ohm's law, power, and energy, and applications.
- 5) Be able to analyze DC series, parallel, and series-parallel circuits.
- 6) Understand Kirchhoff's voltage and current laws, and their applications.
- 7) Be able to use Thevenen's and Norton's theorems for electrical circuits.
- 8) Be able to use superposition, mesh, and nodal methods for circuit analysis.
- 9) Be able to use computer analysis tools including MATLAB, Multisim, and PSpice

**Disabilities Statement:** If you have a disability and need assistance, special arrangements can be made to accommodate most needs. Contact the Director of Services for Students with Disabilities (Walb, room 113, telephone number 481-6658), as soon as possible to work out the details. Once the Director has provided you with a letter attesting to your needs for modification, bring the letter to me. For more information, please visit the web site for SSD at <http://new.ipfw.edu/disabilities/>

### **Course Assessment and Grading policy**

- Homework assignments – 15%
- Three Tests – 45%
- Lab and Reports – 20%
- Final Exam (comprehensive) – 20%

Grading Scale: A (90-100%), B (80 -89%), C (70-79%), D (60-69%), F (0-59%)

\*No late assignment, report, etc., will be accepted

\*No makeup quiz will be given.

### **Important Dates**

- March 6, no class, Spring break March 5-11
- March 16, Last day to withdraw
- April 24 and May 1 (6:00 PM-8:45PM), Final Project Demo and Presentation

### **Tentative Topics of Discussion**

#### **Date**

Jan 9,11

#### **Chapter**

#### **Ch. 1 Introduction**

- The Electrical/Electronics Industry
- Electrical Power Generation Systems
- A Brief History
- The Solid-State Era
- Nano Technology
- Renewable Energy (Wind, Solar, Fuel Cell, etc)
- Units of Measurement
- Systems of Units
- Significant Figures, Accuracy, and Rounding off
- Power of Ten
- Fixed-point, Floating-point, Scientific and Engineering Notation
- Units Conversions
- Computer Analysis and Design: MATLAB, PSpice, Multisim

Jan 16\*,18

Jan 23, 24

Jan. 30

#### **Ch. 2 Voltage and Current**

- Introduction
- Atoms and Their Structure
- Voltage
- Current
- Safety Considerations
- Voltage Sources
- Solar Cells

- Generators
- Power Supplies
- Fuel Cells
- Ampere-Hour Rating
- Battery Life Factors
- Conductors and Insulators
- Semiconductors
- Ammeters and Voltmeters
- Applications
- Car Battery Charger
- Automobile Applications: Electric Vehicles, Hybrid and Plug-In Hybrid
- Computer Analysis and Design: MATLAB, PSpice, Multisim

Feb 1

### **TEST #1 (ch. 1,2)**

#### **Date**

#### **Chapter**

Feb 6,8

### **Ch. 3 Resistance**

Feb 13, 15

- Introduction
- Resistance: Circular Wires
- Wire Tables
- Temperature Effects
- Temperature Coefficient of Resistance
- Types of Resistors: Fixed resistors, Variable resistors, Color coding and standard Resistor values
- Surface Mount Resistors
- Conductance
- Ohmmeters
- Resistance: Metric Units
- The Fourth Element: Memoresistor
- Superconductors
- Thermistors
- Photoconductive Cell
- Varistors
- Applications: Electric Basedboard Heating Element, Dimmer Control in an Automobile
- Strain Gauges
- Computer Analysis and Design: MATLAB, PSpice, Multisim

#### **Date**

Feb 20,22

Feb 27, 29

#### **Chapter**

### **Ch. 4 Ohm's Laws, Power, and Energy**

- Introduction
- Ohm's Law
- Plotting Ohm's Law
- Power
- Energy
- Energy Efficiency
- Circuit Breakers, GFCI (Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter)
- Applications:

- Fluorescent vs. Incandescent
- Microwave Oven
- Household Wiring
- Computer Analysis and Design: MATLAB, PSpice, Multisim

### **TEST #2 (ch. 3,4)**

(Spring Break)

Mar 5\*, 7\*

#### **Date**

Mar 12,14

#### **Chapter**

##### **Ch. 5 Series DC Circuits**

- Introduction
- Series Resistors
- Instrumentation
- Series Circuit
- Power Distribution in a Series Circuit
- Voltage Sources in Series
- Instrumentation
- Kirchhoffs's Voltage Law
- Voltage Division in a Series Circuit
- Voltage Divider Rule
- Interchanging Series Elements
- Notation
  - Voltage Sources and Ground
  - Double-Subscript Notation
  - Single-Subscript Notation
- Voltage Regulation and the Internal Resistance of Voltage Sources
- Loading Effects of Instruments
- Protoboards (Breadboards)
- Applications
  - Series Control
  - Holiday Lights
  - Microwave Oven
- Computer Analysis and Design: MATLAB, PSpice, Multisim

#### **Date**

Mar 19,21

#### **Chapter**

##### **Ch. 6 Series DC Circuits**

- Parallel Resistors
- Parallel Circuits
- Power Distribution in a Parallel Circuit
- Kirchhoff's Current Law
- Current Divider Rule
- Voltage Sources in Parallel
- Open and Short Circuits
- Voltmeter Loading Effects
- Troubleshooting Techniques
- Protoboards (Breadboards)
- Applications
  - Car System
  - House Wiring

- Parallel Computer Bus Connections
- Computer Analysis and Design: MATLAB, PSpice, Multisim

**Date**

Mar 26,28

**Chapter**

**Ch. 7 Series-Parallel Circuits**

- Series-Parallel Networks
- Reduce and Return Calculation Approach
- Block Diagram Approach
- Descriptive Examples
- Ladder Networks
- Voltage Divider Supply
  - No-Load Conditions
  - Loaded Conditions
- Potentiometer Loading
- Ammeter, Voltmeter, and Ohmmeter Design
- Applications
  - Boosting a Car Battery
  - Electronic Circuits
- Computer Analysis and Design: MATLAB, PSpice, Multisim

Apr 2

**TEST #3 (ch. 5,6,7)**

**Date**

Apr 2, 4

Apr 9, 11

**Chapter**

**Ch. 8 Methods of Analysis and Selected Topics**

- Current Sources
- Source Conversions
- Current Sources in Parallel
- Branch-Current Analysis
- Mesh Analysis
- Nodal Analysis
- Bridge Network
- Applications
  - Constant-Current Alarm Systems
  - Wheatstone Bridge Smoke Detector
- Computer Analysis and Design: MATLAB, PSpice, Multisim

Apr 16, 18

Apr 23, 25

**Ch. 9 Network Theorems**

- Superposition Theorem
- Thevenis's Theorem
  - Experimental Procedures
- Norton's Theorem
  - Experimental Procedures
- Maximum Power Transfer Theorem
- Millman's Theorem
- Computer Analysis and Design: MATLAB, PSpice, Multisim

**May 2 (4:00-6:00 PM)**

**FINAL Exam**

## Lab Schedule

### Lab

- #1 Test Equipment (Digital Multimeter, Battery and Power Supply)
- #2 Color Coded Resistor
- #3 Ohm's Law Lab
- #4 First Computer Lab
- #5 Series Circuits
- #6 Second Computer Lab
- #7 Parallel Circuits
- #8 Third Computer Lab
- #9 Series-Parallel Circuits
- #10 Fourth Computer Lab
- #11 Superposition and Source Conversion
- #12 Thevenin's Theorem
- #13 Fifth Computer Lab
- #14 Maximum Power Transfer