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## ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY SYLLABUS

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## Introduction

The Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Examination (CAPE) is designed to provide certification of the academic, vocational and technical achievement of students in the Caribbean who, having completed a minimum of five years of secondary education, wish to further their studies. The examinations address the skills and knowledge acquired by students under a flexible and articulated system where subjects are organised in 1-Unit or 2-Unit courses with each Unit containing three Modules. Subjects examined under CAPE may be studied concurrently or singly.

The Caribbean Examinations Council offers three types of certification. The first is the award of a certificate showing each CAPE Unit completed. The second is the CAPE diploma, awarded to candidates who have satisfactorily completed at least six Units, including Caribbean Studies. The third is the CAPE Associate Degree, awarded for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed cluster of seven CAPE Units including Caribbean Studies and Communication Studies. For the CAPE diploma and the CAPE Associate Degree, candidates must complete the cluster of required Units within a maximum period of five years.

Recognised educational institutions presenting candidates for CAPE Associate Degree in one of the nine categories must, on registering these candidates at the start of the qualifying year, have them confirm in the required form, the Associate Degree they wish to be awarded. Candidates will not be awarded any possible alternatives for which they did not apply.



#### **◆** RATIONALE

Modern civilization as we know it would not exist without electricity and the attendant technologies that have arisen out of it, for example, communications (voice, data, Internet), computer and electronic technologies. Just imagine the world without electricity and, therefore, without refrigeration, television, hi-fi stereo, computer, Internet or telephones. Electrical and electronic technology is the common thread that connects these diverse areas and those of air travel, transportation, manufacturing, mining, construction, agriculture, sports, education, medicine, entertainment, food preservation and preparation.

None of these modern marvels of the world is possible without the use of electrical and electronic technology. Therefore, it is imperative that persons, wishing to understand the rapid pace of technological advancement, have a good grasp of the fundamentals of electrical and electronic technology.

The CAPE Electrical and Electronic Technology syllabus is designed to provide the fundamental knowledge necessary for a lifelong career in the dynamic and exciting field of Electrical and Electronic Technology. More particularly, for the continued development of the Caribbean and its citizenry, it is necessary for students to be exposed to subject areas that embody current technological trends and practices of the wider world. The CAPE Electrical and Electronic Technology syllabus, therefore, seeks to address this need by offering advanced technical and vocational training that would prepare students for the world of work. It also seeks to satisfy the prerequisite for further training as technicians and engineers in specific areas.

The CAPE Electrical and Electronic Technology syllabus is expected to:

- (i) facilitate articulation with this field of study provided by institutions of higher learning such as universities, community colleges, technical institutes and teachers' colleges;
- (ii) provide a means whereby persons, with an interest and commitment to the field of Electrical and Electronic engineering, can upgrade their previously acquired knowledge base and skills;

- (iii) encourage further development of analytical, problem-solving and experimental abilities;
- (iv) equip students with fundamental knowledge for the world of work in the electrical and electronic field;
- (v) provide the foundation for further career development.

The syllabus also contributes to the development of selected attributes from the CARICOM Ideal Person document as articulated by the CARICOM Heads of Government. This person is one who demonstrates emotional security with a high level of self-confidence and self-esteem, is aware of the importance of living in harmony with the environment and nurtures its development in the economic and entrepreneurial spheres in all other areas of life (CARICOM Education Strategy, 2000).

This holistic development of students aligns with selected competencies advocated in the UNESCO Pillars of learning. These are learning to be, learning to do, and learning to transform one's self and society.

#### **◆** AIMS

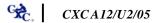
This syllabus aims to:

- 1. develop an interest in, and an awareness of, career choices and options for further study in the field of Electrical and Electronic Engineering;
- 2. develop analytical, practical and experimental skills in the use of electrical and electronic technology in industry;
- 3. develop an awareness of practical applications of electricity and electronics within industry;
- 4. provide opportunities for the acquisition of advanced knowledge of the concepts and fundamentals of electricity and electronics;
- 5. encourage the adoption of specific safety practices;
- 6. inculcate an appreciation of the pivotal role of electricity in the socio-economic development of their country and the region.

#### **◆ SKILLS AND ABILITIES TO BE ASSESSED**

The Skills and Abilities which students are expected to develop on completion of the syllabus have been grouped under three headings:

- (i) Knowledge;
- (ii) Use of Knowledge;
- (iii) Practical Ability.



Knowledge The ability to recall and comprehend facts, principles, methods,

procedures, theories and structures; interpolation and extrapolation.

<u>Use of Knowledge</u> The ability to:

**Application** use facts, concepts, principles and procedures in unfamiliar

situations, transform data accurately and appropriately; use

formulae accurately for computations;

Analysis and Interpretation identify and recognise the component parts of a whole and

interpret the relationship between those parts; identify causal factors and show how they interact with each other; infer, predict and draw conclusions; make necessary and accurate calculations and

recognise the limitations and assumptions of data;

Synthesis combine component parts to form a new meaningful whole; make

predictions and solve problems;

**Evaluation** make reasoned judgements and recommendations based on the

value of ideas and information and their implications.

<u>Practical Ability</u> The ability to use electrical and electronic equipment and tools to

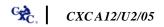
fabricate simple circuits, test and determine circuit parameters and

gather and analyse data.

#### PRE-REQUISITES OF THE SYLLABUS

It is expected that persons who have completed the CSEC syllabuses in Physics or Electrical and Electronic Technology or their equivalent should be able to pursue this course successfully.

CSEC Mathematics or its equivalent would be a strong asset for those who wish to undertake this course.



#### **◆ STRUCTURE OF THE SYLLABUS**

The syllabus is divided into two Units. Each Unit consists of three Modules. The Units are independent of each other. However, together they provide a comprehensive post-secondary course in the field of Electrical and Electronic Technology.

**Unit 1: Electrical Theory and Communications**, contains three Modules of approximately 50 hours each. The total teaching time for the syllabus is approximately 150 hours.

Module 1: DC Circuit Theory

Module 2: Analogue Electronics and Communications
Module 3: Introduction to Electrical Power Systems

**Unit 2: Energy Converters and Logic Circuits,** contains three Modules of approximately 50 hours each. The total teaching time for the syllabus is approximately 150 hours.

Module 1: AC Circuit Theory

Module 2: Digital Electronics and Data Communications

Module 3: Introduction to AC Machines

It is strongly advised that Unit 1 or an equivalent course be completed before Unit 2.

#### UNIT 1: ELECTRICAL THEORY AND COMMUNICATIONS

#### **MODULE 1: DC CIRCUIT THEORY**

#### **GENERAL OBJECTIVES**

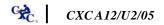
On completion of this Module, students should:

- 1. understand the basic principles of circuit analysis;
- 2. appreciate the use of passive components.

#### **DC THEORY**

#### SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

- 1. explain Ohm's Law;
- 2. calculate the equivalent resistance of resistors in series, parallel and series-parallel;
- 3. derive and use the voltage and current divider principles to solve problems;
- 4. carry out calculations using Ohm's law for resistors in series, parallel and series-parallel;
- 5. derive and apply the relationships  $P = V^2R^{-1} = I^2R = IV$  to calculate the power dissipated by circuit elements;
- 6. derive the relationship between resistance and its physical factors;
- 7. recall and use the temperature dependence relationship  $\mathbf{R}\theta = \mathbf{R}\mathbf{0} \ (\mathbf{1} + \alpha \theta)$ in simple calculations;
- 8. apply Kirchoffs' Laws for the analysis of DC networks involving two meshes;
- 9. use the following theorems, for a maximum of two independent sources and meshes in the solution of DC networks: Norton's, Superposition, Thevenin's, Maximum Power Transfer.



#### **MODULE 1: DC CIRCUIT THEORY (cont'd)**

#### **CONTENT**

- (i) Ohm's law.
- (ii) Series, Parallel and Series-parallel resistor circuits.
- (iii) Power calculations.
- (iv) Specific resistance.
- (v) Temperature coefficient of resistance.
- (vi) Kirchoffs' laws.
- (vii) Superposition theorem.
- (viii) Thevenin's theorem and Norton's theorem.
- (ix) Maximum Power Transfer theorem.

#### **ELECTROSTATICS**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

- 1. derive formulae for capacitance in series and parallel and use these formulae to solve problems;
- 2. determine the relationship between capacitance and its dimensions;
- 3. define the terms: electric field strength, electric flux density, permittivity of free space and relative permittivity and use these terms in the solution of problems;
- 4. determine the capacitance for fixed and variable capacitors;

#### **MODULE 1: DC CIRCUIT THEORY (cont'd)**

- 5. recall and use formulae for time constant and sketch curves for charging and discharging capacitors;
- 6. derive the formula for the energy stored in a capacitor and use it to solve problems.

#### **CONTENT**

- (i) Capacitance in series and parallel.
- (ii) Relationship between capacitance and its dimensions.
- (iii) Electric field strength.
- (iv) Electric flux density.
- (v) Permittivity.
- (vi) Construction of fixed and variable capacitors.
- (vii) Charging and discharging a capacitor.
- (viii) Time constant.
- (ix) Energy stored in a capacitor.

#### **INDUCTANCE**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

- 1. state the physical factors governing inductance;
- 2. derive the formula for inductance given its physical factors;
- 3. calculate the total inductance for inductors in series, parallel and combinations;
- 4. use Helmholtz equation for simple RL circuits;



#### MODULE 1: DC CIRCUIT THEORY (cont'd)

- 5. derive the formula for energy stored in an inductor and use it to solve problems;
- 6. explain the concepts of self-inductance and mutual-inductance and their relationship;
- 7. explain the function of the core-material in an inductor with particular reference to the iron-core inductor or choke;
- 8. define the concept of the coupling coefficient with particular reference to coils inductively coupled in series;
- 9. explain additive and subtractive polarity.

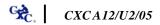
#### **CONTENT**

- (i) Physical factors governing inductance.
- (ii) Inductors in series and parallel.
- (iii) RL circuits.
- (iv) Energy stored in an inductor.

#### **Suggested Teaching and Learning Activities**

Teachers are encouraged to engage students in activities such as those listed below as they seek to achieve the objectives of this Module.

- 1. Have students solve problems to enhance their understanding of the Module.
- 2. Encourage students to read related material to complement work done in class.
- 3. Use appropriate analogies to introduce the concept of current flow, as this will set the foundation for a thorough understanding of not only Ohm's Law, but also the greater part of this Module.
- 4. Model circuits, wherever possible, after the actual problems given in theory, so that tests can be carried out on these circuits to verify answers obtained from calculations.



#### **MODULE 1: DC CIRCUIT THEORY (cont'd)**

- 5. Give weekly assessments to have an indication as to whether material taught was learnt, especially those related to the analysis of circuits using the theorems.
- 6. Use real life examples to promote discussions and illustrate the use and purpose of the theorems in the real world, for example, a talk by a practising power engineer where he discusses how he uses Thevinin's and Norton's theorems in his everyday work would be helpful.

The teacher is urged to reinforce the relevant approved codes and safety practices during the delivery of the Module. It should be made clear that safety in the handling of electricity is of paramount concern and should be the common thread connecting every topic.

#### RESOURCE

Hughes, Edward Hall, 2002.

Electrical and Electronic Technology, New Jersey: Prentice



#### **MODULE 2: ANALOGUE ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **GENERAL OBJECTIVES**

On completion of this Module, students should:

- 1. understand the operation of basic electronic components;
- 2. appreciate the various methods of modulating EM waves for communication.

#### **SEMICONDUCTOR DIODES**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

Students should be able to:

- 1. distinguish between n-type and p-type semiconductors;
- 2. explain the current flow and conduction process in semiconductor materials;
- 3. design and construct full and halfwave rectifier circuits and explain their function;
- 4. solve simple problems on ripple factor;
- 5. describe the operation of circuit limiters and clipping circuits;
- 6. show quantitatively the applications of a zener diode as a voltage regulator.

- (i) Doping: p-type and n-type semi-conductors.
- (ii) Current flow and conduction process in semi-conductor materials.
- (iii) The p-n-junction and depletion layer.
- (iv) Junction potential difference.
- (v) The p-n junction under bias.



#### MODULE 2: ANALOGUE ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

- (vi) Diode circuit models the ideal model, the constant voltage model, the Shockley model.
- (vii) Avalanche multiplication.
- (viii) Zener diode.
- (ix) Varactor diode.
- (x) LED.
- (xi) Rectification(halfwave, fullwave {two- and four-diode} circuits).
- (xii) Circuit limiters.
- (xiii) Clipping circuits.
- (xiv) Logic circuit applications OR and AND gates.

#### **BIPOLAR JUNCTION TRANSISTOR**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

- 1. distinguish between PNP and NPN transistors;
- 2. draw typical transistor characteristics curves;
- 3. explain the operating regions of a transistor;
- 4. design and construct the biasing network of a common emitter amplifier;
- 5. perform load line analysis;
- 6. draw the small signal common emitter (CE) amplifier model using h-parametes and perform calculations to determine: input impedance, output impedance, voltage gain and current gain.



#### MODULE 2: ANALOGUE ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

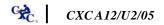
#### **CONTENT**

- (i) PNP and NPN transistors.
- (ii) Terminal properties of a transistor.
- (iii) Operating regions of a transistor.
- (iv) Transistor characteristic curves.
- (v) Transistor biasing.
- (vi) H-Parameter model of a transistor.
- (vii) Transistor applications.
- (viii) Load line analysis.
- (ix) Small signal amplifier circuits.

#### **OPERATIONAL AMPLIFIERS**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

- 1. explain the operation of an operational amplifier used as a summing amplifier, a comparator, a differentiator and an integrator (quantitative analysis is expected);
- 2. derive the relationship for the gain of the inverting and the non-inverting op-amp and solve problems;
- 3. draw circuit diagram for the Wein Bridge RC and Hartley LC oscillators and determine the frequency of oscillation.



#### MODULE 2: ANALOGUE ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

#### CONTENT

- (i) Definition of parameters and input/output quantities.
- (ii) Single stage model.
- (iii) Cascade connection.
- (iv) Positive feedback.
- (v) Criteria for oscillation.
- (vi) Oscillators: RC and LC oscillators.
- (vii) Differential amplifiers.
- (viii) Inverting and non-inverting amplifiers.
- (ix) Operational amplifiers, transfer characteristics, negative feedback, differentiator and integrator circuits and comparators.

#### **ELECTROMAGNETIC (EM) WAVES**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

- 1. explain how EM waves propagate from an antenna;
- 2. distinguish between ground waves, sky waves and space waves;
- 3. list the various wavebands in use and the services utilising them.

#### MODULE 2: ANALOGUE ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

#### **CONTENT**

- (i) Propagation of EM waves.
- (ii) Ground waves.
- (iii) Sky waves and space waves.
- (iv) Ionospheric reflections.
- (v) Major wavebands and their uses.

#### **MODULATION**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

Students should be able to:

- 1. explain the principle of amplitude and frequency modulation;
- 2. perform simple calculations on modulation index for AM/FM;
- 3. compare and contrast AM and FM systems;
- 4. describe operation of AM and FM modulators and demodulators;
- 5. draw block diagrams of AM and FM receivers and explain their operation.

- (i) Amplitude modulation: double sideband (DSB), single (SSB) modulators and demodulators, narrowband and broadband AM.
- (ii) The superheterodyne radio receiver.
- (iii) Frequency modulation: FM modulator and demodulator.



#### MODULE 2: ANALOGUE ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

#### **Suggested Teaching and Learning Activities**

Teachers are encouraged to engage students in activities such as those listed below as they seek to achieve the objectives of this Module.

- 1. Encourage students to research various topics and present to the class in interactive sessions.
- 2. Have students solve problems from the suggested texts and other reference material.
- 3. Demonstrate plotting of the characteristic curves of a common emitter transistor.
- 4. Encourage students to visit and discuss with engineers and other professionals various topics and issues relating to the subject matter.
- 5. Encourage students to prepare oral and written reports that make use of the technical language.
- 6. Organise field trips to local Telecommunications companies, IT service companies or organizations with data and communication networks.
- 7. Form working relationships with engineers in related fields who can advise and assist in the delivery of the subject matter.
- 8. Organise a mentoring program with professional organizations and relevant companies.
- 9. Seek sponsorship from industry for students' projects.
- 10. Direct students to relevant Websites that offer practical guidance in the area, for example, www.howstuffworks.com.
- 11. Encourage students to do the suggested laboratory exercises listed on pages 45-48. These exercises can be done either as individual or group activities.

The teacher is urged to reinforce the relevant approved codes and safety practices during the delivery of the Module. It should be made clear that safety in the handling of electricity is of paramount concern and should be the common thread connecting every topic.

### UNIT 1 MODULE 2: ANALOGUE ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

#### RESOURCE

Hughes, Edward Hall, 2002.

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#### **MODULE 3: INTRODUCTION TO POWER SYSTEMS**

#### **GENERAL OBJECTIVES**

On completion of this Module, students should:

- 1. understand the relationship between electricity and magnetism;
- 2. appreciate the importance of protection schemes in energy systems;
- 3. understand the operation and control of DC machines;
- 4. appreciate the application of communications and controls in the management of power systems.

#### **ELECTROMAGNETISM**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

- 1. differentiate between magnetic flux and magnetic flux density;
- 2. describe with the aid of relevant sketches the concept of lines of magnetic flux;
- 3. explain the magnetic effect on a current carrying conductor;
- 4. recall and use the relation  $F = BIL Sin \theta and solve problems;$
- 5. explain Faraday's and Lenz's laws;
- 6. calculate the emf generated in a conductor within a magnetic field;
- 7. explain electromagnetic induction;
- 8. distinguish among the concepts of: permeability (free space, relative), magnetomotive force, magnetizing force (field intensity, field strength) and reluctance.
- 9. sketch and label a typical B-H curve;
- 10. apply B-H curve to calculate magnetic circuit characteristics for a simple toroid.



#### MODULE 3: INTRODUCTION TO POWER SYSTEMS (cont'd)

#### **CONTENT**

- (i) Magnetic flux.
- (ii) Flux density.
- (iii) Permeability of free space.
- (iv) Relative permeability.
- (v) Force on a current carrying conductor in a magnetic field.
- (vi) Magnetomotive force.
- (vii) Reluctance, B-H Curves, magnetic circuits, Faraday's and Lenz's law.

#### **DC ROTATING EQUIPMENT**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

- 1. describe the essential features in the construction of a conventional DC machine;
- 2. describe the principle of operation of a DC machine in terms of the equation  $T\omega = Erla$ , where T = torque,  $\omega =$  angular velocity, E = emf, and  $I_a$  = armature current and solve problems;
- 3. explain the meaning of armature reaction and commutation as applied to DC machines;
- 4. differentiate between the various methods of excitation with reference to the field winding connection and draw the respective circuits;
- 5. sketch and explain the open-circuit and no-load characteristics for various winding connections of the DC machine;
- 6. sketch the torque speed characteristic of series, shunt and compound wound DC machines and solve problems;



#### MODULE 3: INTRODUCTION TO POWER SYSTEMS (cont'd)

- 7. describe various methods of varying the speed of a DC machine using the terminal voltage and excitation current;
- 8. list the main uses of a DC machine.

- (i) The emf equation.
- (ii) Armature reaction.
- (iii) Commutation.
- (iv) The DC generator methods of excitation.
- (v) Open-circuit characteristic.
- (vi) Load characteristics.
- (vii) The DC motor speed/torque characteristics.
- (viii) Speed control.
- (ix) Losses.
- (x) Conditions for maximum efficiency.
- (xi) Uses.

#### MODULE 3: INTRODUCTION TO POWER SYSTEMS (cont'd)

#### INTRODUCTION TO POWER SUPPLY PROTECTION

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

Students should be able to:

- 1. distinguish among the concepts of continuous current, overload current and fault current;
- 2. explain the function and operation of a fuse and the relationship of continuous, overload and fault current to the fuse rating;
- 3. explain the operation of the thermal overload relay;
- 4. explain the operation of the inverse minimum time over-current relay;
- 5. sketch the inverse characteristics of the fuse, the thermal overload relay and the inverse over-current relays;
- 6. identify typical areas within the power supply system where fuses and circuit breakers are used;
- 7. explain the operation of the voltage surge protector and its uses;
- 8. explain the function and uses of the frequency, under-voltage and over-voltage relays.

- (i) The relationships between continuous, overload and fault currents.
- (ii) Fuses.
- (iii) Over-current relays.
- (iv) Frequency relays.
- (v) Under-voltage and over-voltage protection.
- (vi) Thermal relays.



#### MODULE 3: INTRODUCTION TO POWER SYSTEMS (cont'd)

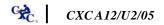
#### INTRODUCTION TO SUPERVISORY CONTROL AND DATA ACQUISITION (SCADA) SYSTEMS

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

Students should be able to:

- 1. describe the basic principles of data communications (simplex and duplex);
- 2. list the advantages of using digital communication over analogue communication;
- 3. explain the need for SCADA system as applied to electricity generation, transmission and the central control room;
- 4. draw a simple block diagram to represent a SCADA system and explain the function of each block;
- 5. describe the various communications methods between the field and central control rooms;
- 6. explain telemetering;
- 7. outline the role of computers in SCADA systems.

- (i) Communications as applied to power system.
- (ii) Power line carrier.
- (iii) Leased lines.
- (iv) Radio waves.
- (v) Telemetering.



#### **Suggested Teaching and Learning Activities**

Teachers are encouraged to engage students in activities such as those listed below as they seek to achieve the objectives of this Module.

- 1. Have students identify, wherever possible, equipment within the home environment that operates on the principles addressed in each section of the Module.
- 2. Demonstrate the Induction Laws in the laboratory.
- 3. Encourage students to visit a utility company to observe aspects of the Module at work in industry.
- 4. Have students use "free access" Websites where valuable information can be ascertained (for example, <a href="https://www.howstuffworks.com">www.howstuffworks.com</a>).
- 5. Encourage students to research the various topics and present to class in interactive sessions.
- 6. Have students share with each other (or in small groups) their understanding of various topics.
- 7. Encourage students to solve mathematical problems using the applicable methods available.
- 8. Invite technical and vocational instructors, practising engineers or specialists from industry and tertiary institutions to lecture on areas such as Power Supply Protection and SCADA Systems.
- 9. Visit a local motor rewind shop, where sections of DC motors can be obtained for demonstration.
- 10. Encourage students to attempt the suggested laboratory exercises listed on pages 45-48.

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#### ◆ UNIT 2: ENERGY CONVERTERS AND LOGIC CIRCUITS

#### **MODULE 1: AC CIRCUIT THEORY**

#### **GENERAL OBJECTIVES**

On completion of this Module, students should:

- 1. understand the principles of AC theory;
- 2. develop the ability to apply AC theory to the analysis of RLC circuits.

#### **ACTHEORY**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

Students should be able to:

- 1. define and determine: frequency, period, amplitude, instantaneous value, rms value, average value with reference to an AC sinusoidal wave;
- 2. define a phasor and represent it diagrammatically;
- 3. add and subtract phasors;
- 4. draw and interpret waveforms and phasor diagrams for alternating currents and voltages in resistive, inductive and capacitive circuits;
- 5. define: volt-ampere, apparent active and reactive power for purely inductive and inductive resistive loads;
- 6. calculate volt-ampere, apparent active and reactive power for purely inductive and inductive resistive loads;
- 7. determine capacitor values to be applied in parallel for improving power factor.

- (i) Definition of: period, frequency, rms value, amplitude and average value.
- (ii) Power in AC circuits non-inductive and purely inductive; apparent active and reactive power.



#### **MODULE 1: AC CIRCUIT THEORY (cont'd)**

- (iii) Power factor (lagging and leading).
- (iv) Angular frequency.

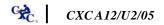
#### IMPEDANCE AND REACTANCE

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

Students should be able to:

- 1. add, subtract, multiply and divide complex numbers;
- 2. determine inductive and capacitive reactance;
- 3. calculate and determine impedance for the following series and parallel circuits: resistance and capacitance in series and parallel, resistance and inductance in series and parallel; and resistance, inductance and capacitance in series and parallel;
- 4. determine resonant frequency in RLC series circuits and represent by phasor diagram;
- 5. determine the Q-factor for RLC series circuit.

- (i) Complex arithmetic.
- (ii) Inductive and capacitive reactance.
- (iii) Impedance of RL, RC and RLC networks.
- (iv) Phasor diagram for RL, RC and RLC circuits.
- (v) Resonance and Q-factor for RLC series circuits.



#### **MODULE 1: AC CIRCUIT THEORY (cont'd)**

#### **FILTERS**

#### SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

Students should be able to:

- 1. explain the operation of the following passive filters: low pass, high pass, band pass, band stop and notch;
- 2. draw simple RLC circuits to implement the following filters; low pass, high pass, band pass, band stop and notch;
- 3. calculate the cut-off frequency and design impedance for high pass and low pass passive filters;
- 4. sketch and label the frequency response of the above filters.

#### CONTENT

- (i) Passive low pass, high pass, band pass, band stop " $\pi$ " and "T" sections.
- (ii) Notch filters.

#### **Suggested Teaching and Learning Activities**

Teachers are encouraged to engage students in activities such as those listed below as they seek to achieve the objectives of this Module.

- 1. Encourage students to solve problems from the suggested text in order to become versed in the application of the concepts.
- 2. Have students complete all laboratory exercises so as to bridge the theory with practical.
- 3. Encourage students to take greater charge of their learning by reading suggested and other related texts.
- 4. Illustrate the concepts and terms clearly by using diagrams, real-life examples and applications.



#### **MODULE 1: AC CIRCUIT THEORY (cont'd)**

- 5. Organise laboratory exercises, where possible, so that students can determine the results of the operation of components.
- 6. Invite a practising power engineer to give lectures on the application of AC theory in industry.
- 7. Encourage students to do the suggested laboratory exercises listed on pages 45-48. These exercises can be done either as individual or group activities.

The teacher is urged to reinforce the relevant approved codes and safety practices during the delivery of the Module. It should be made clear that safety in the handling of electricity is of paramount concern and should be the common thread connecting every topic.

#### **RESOURCE**

Hughes, Edward Electrical and Electronic Technology, New Jersey: Prentice Hall, 2002.



#### **MODULE 2: DIGITAL ELECTRONICS AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **GENERAL OBJECTIVES**

On completion of this Module, students should:

- 1. understand the operating principles of digital electronic components and switching devices;
- 2. develop the skill to implement step-by-step procedures for designing, building, analysing and testing simple circuits and devices using digital electronic principles, practices and components;
- 3. understand the basic structure and fundamental principles of modern data communications systems.

#### **ELECTRONIC SWITCHES**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

- 1. define the characteristics of ideal and practical switches;
- 2. identify the major types of switching devices and relate their action to electromagnetic and electromechanical devices;
- 3. explain the operation of the Bipolar Junction Transistor (BJT), Metal Oxide Field Effect System (MOSFET) and thyristor as switching devices;
- 4. explain the behaviour of a thyristor as the voltage across it is increased in the forward biased and reversed bias mode;
- 5. explain the effect on the break over voltage of applying a positive potential at the gate of the thyristor;
- 6. explain the operation of a simple DC-DC converter using BJT devices;
- 7. explain the operation of a simple DC-AC converter (inverter) using BJT devices;
- 8. use a BJT to operate as a switch.



#### MODULE 2: DIGITAL ELECTRONICS AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

#### **CONTENT**

- (i) Construction.
- (ii) Characteristics.
- (iii) Operation and applications of MOSFETs and BJTs.

#### **COMBINATIONAL LOGIC**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

Students should be able to:

- 1. implement logic gates using SPST and SPDT switches;
- 2. perform mathematical operations between various number systems binary, octal, decimal and hexadecimal;
- 3. minimise logic expressions using Boolean algebra and Karnaugh maps utilising a maximum of four inputs;
- 4. implement logic circuits from Boolean expressions;
- 5. design simple logic circuits from a verbal description of problem with maximum of four inputs;
- 6. design a simple Binary Coded Decimal (BCD) to Gray code converter.

- (i) Revision of number systems and Boolean algebra.
- (ii) Logic gate functionality: AND, OR, NOT, NAND, NOR, EX-OR, EX-NOR.
- (iii) Logical operations with gates.
- (iv) Minimization.



#### MODULE 2: DIGITAL ELECTRONICS AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

- (v) Truth tables and Karnaugh maps.
- (vi) Simple design problems with implementation.
- (vii) Binary adders and subtracters.
- (viii) Code converters.

#### **SEQUENTIAL LOGIC**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

Students should be able to:

- 1. distinguish among SR, JK, D and T type flip flops;
- 2. build a simple three stage shift register;
- 3. build an asynchronous counter (up to mod 10);
- 4. design and build monostable and bistable (quantitative analysis expected) multi-vibrators using a 555 timer.

- (i) Flip flops.
- (ii) 1-bit memory.
- (iii) SR, JK and D and T type.
- (iv) Counters and shift registers.

#### **MODULE 2: DIGITAL ELECTRONICS AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)**

(v)	Applications of counters and shift registers.				
(vi)	Bistable multi-vibrator.				
(vii)	555 timer.				
(viii)	Monos	stable multi-vibrator applications.			
MEM	ORY CIR	CUITS AND CONVERTERS			
SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES					
Students should be able to:					
1.	explain the operation of simple decoders and demultiplexers;				
2.	explain the operation of simple data selectors, multiplexers and encoders;				
3.	build simple digital electronic devices using decoders and demultiplexers;				
4.	build simple digital electronic devices using data selectors, multiplexers and encoders;				
5.	explain the operating principles of the following memory systems:				
	(i)	ROM;			
	(ii)	RAM;			
	(iii)	PROM;			
	(iv)	EPROM.			
6.	build [ code;	D/A - 4-8 bit D/A converters driven by digital counters, D/A converter with BCD input			

- 7. perform basic calculations with D/A converters using a summing op-amp;
- 8. build D/A converters using 2R-R resistor ladder networks;

### UNIT 2 MODULE 2: DIGITAL ELECTRONICS AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

9.	explain each of the following as it relates to D/A converters:			
	(i)	scale error;		
	(ii)	offset error;		
	(iii)	non-linearity;		
	(iv)	monotonicity;		
	(v)	resolution;		
	(vi)	speed limiting errors;		
	(vii)	settling times;		
10.	explain the operations of voltage to frequency, constant slope ramp and integrating A/D converters;			
11.	explain the operations of the successive approximation A/D converter;			
12.	calculate the digital output and resolution of digital-ramp A/D converters;			
13.	explain the operations of sample and hold circuits.			
CONTE	NT			
(i)	Binary adders.			
(ii)	Subtracters.			
(iii)	Decoders.			
(iv)	Demultiplexers.			
(v)	Data selectors.			
(vi)	Multiplexers.			
(vii)	Encoders.			

## MODULE 2: DIGITAL ELECTRONICS AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

- (viii) ROM.
- (ix) RAM.
- (x) PROM.
- (xi) EPROM.
- (xii) D/A-conversion: D/A converters in practice, R/2R ladder D/A converters.
- (xiii) A/D conversion: Simple comparators, A/D converters in action.

#### **DATA COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

Students should be able to:

- 1. explain the operations of simplex and duplex data communications;
- 2. explain the operations of synchronous and asynchronous data communications;
- 3. explain the use and importance of regenerators in digital systems;
- 4. explain concepts of mutual information and channel capacity;
- 5. explain the basic operating principles of PCM and FSK, PSK and DPSK digital modulation techniques;
- 6. state the basic principles of error detection and correction, including CRC and Hamming Codes;
- 7. state the basic principles of Intercomputer Communications UART and USART;
- 8. describe commonly used demodulation techniques;
- 9. describe Ring, Star and Bus computer networking topologies.



#### MODULE 2: DIGITAL ELECTRONICS AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

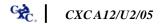
#### **CONTENT**

- (i) Basic concepts: bandwidth, channel capacity, signal to noise ratio, Shannon-Hartley law and information theory.
- (ii) Source coding: Huffman, Shannon-Fano.
- (iii) Communication systems: simplex, duplex, synchronous and asynchronous.
- (iv) Regenerators and synchronization in digital systems.
- (v) Digital modulation.
- (vi) Error detection and correction; CRC, Hamming Codes.
- (vii) UART, USART.
- (viii) Computer Networks: Ring, Star and Bus topologies.

#### **Suggested Teaching and Learning Activities**

Teachers are encouraged to engage students in activities such as those listed below as they seek to achieve the objectives of this Module.

- 1. Encourage students to research the various topics and present to the class in interactive sessions.
- 2. Have students solve problems from the suggested texts and other reference material.
- 3. Encourage students to visit related industries and organizations.
- 4. Encourage students to visit and discuss with engineers and other professionals various topics and issues relating to the subject matter.
- 5. Have students prepare oral and written reports that make use of the technical language.
- 6. Organise field trips to local Telecommunications companies, IT service companies or organizations with data and communication networks.
- 7. Use off-the-shelf digital kits to demonstrate sequential logic memory and converter circuits.



## MODULE 2: DIGITAL ELECTRONICS AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS (cont'd)

- 8. Form working relationships with engineers in related fields who can advise and assist in the delivery of the subject matter.
- 9. Organise a mentoring program with professional organizations and relevant companies.
- 10. Obtain sponsorship from local business and industry for students' projects.
- 11. Encourage students to attempt the suggested laboratory exercises listed on pages 45-48.

  Thes e exercises can be attempted either as individual or group activities.

The teacher is urged to reinforce the relevant approved codes and safety practices during the delivery of the Module. It should be made clear that safety in the handling of electricity is of paramount concern and should be the common thread connecting every topic.

#### **RESOURCES**

Hughes, Edward Electrical and Electronic Technology, New Jersey: Prentice Hall, 2002.

Temes, Lloyd Schaum's Outline of Theory and Problems of Electronic Communication,

New York: McGraw Hill, 1997.

#### **MODULE 3: INTRODUCTION TO AC MACHINES**

#### **GENERAL OBJECTIVES**

On completion of this Module, students should:

- 1. understand the principle of operation of AC machines;
- 2. develop the required knowledge of the parameters related to AC machines.

#### **TRANSFORMERS**

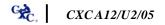
#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

Students should be able to:

- 1. identify the parts and explain the principle of operation of a single phase transformer;
- 2. describe (giving the equations linking the primary and secondary current, voltage and power) the operation of a single phase transformer and calculate the various parameters;
- 3. explain the concept and significance of eddy currents, hysteresis and leakage reactance of a transformer;
- 4. draw the equivalent circuit of an ideal transformer including the magnetising arm and leakage reactance;
- 5. calculate voltage regulation, losses and efficiency using the equivalent circuit of a transformer;
- 6. measure the voltage ratio and determine the turns and current ratios of a transformer.

#### **CONTENT**

- (i) Principle of action.
- (ii) The emf-equation.
- (iii) Eddy currents.
- (iv) Hysteresis.



- (v) Leakage reactance.
- (vi) Single phase equivalent circuit.
- (vii) Voltage regulation.
- (viii) Losses and efficiency.

#### SYNCHRONOUS ROTATING GENERATORS

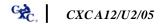
#### SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES

Students should be able to:

- 1. describe the essential constructional details of a synchronous generator and distinguish between rotor types (salient and non-salient pole);
- 2. describe the principle of operation of the synchronous generator;
- 3. explain the concepts of armature reaction and synchronous impedance;
- 4. calculate the synchronous impedance of a synchronous generator;
- 5. differentiate between types of windings in a synchronous dynamo;
- 6. solve problems involving speed, frequency and terminal voltage of synchronous generators;
- 7. explain the effect of load and excitation current on voltage regulation of a synchronous generator.

## **CONTENT**

- (i) Armature reaction.
- (ii) Synchronous impedance.
- (iii) Voltage regulation.
- (iv) Effects of load and excitation.
- (v) Operating characteristics.



## MODULE 3: INTRODUCTION TO AC MACHINES (cont'd)

#### **INDUCTION MOTOR**

#### **SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

Students should be able to:

- 1. differentiate between the squirrel cage and wound rotor and their uses;
- 2. describe the principle of operation of the induction motor;
- 3. define rotor speed, slip, torque and losses;
- 4. explain the mathematical relationship between slip and torque;
- 5. sketch and explain the characteristics of slip and torque;
- 6. calculate the values of rotor speed, slip, torque and losses from given parameters;
- 7. list various uses of the induction motor;
- 8. explain methods of speed control of the induction motor.

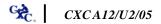
#### **CONTENT**

- (i) Principles of operation.
- (ii) Slip and motor losses.
- (iii) Torque and slip characteristics.
- (iv) Speed control, types and uses.

#### **Suggested Teaching and Learning Activities**

Teachers are encouraged to engage students in activities such as those listed below as they seek to achieve the objectives of this Module.

- 1. Encourage students to research the various topics and present to the class in interactive sessions.
- 2. Have students complete all written and practical assignments and solve problems related to the topic.



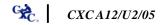
## MODULE 3: INTRODUCTION TO AC MACHINES (cont'd)

- 3. Have students conduct simple experiments related to AC machines, for example, transformer action.
- 4. Organise field trips to the local power utility where the students can view the various power equipment contained in the Module in actual operation.
- 5. Visit the local motor rewind shop, where sections of motors and transformers can be obtained for demonstration.
- 6. Form a working relationship with a power engineer who can give guest lectures on the application aspects of the Module.
- 7. Encourage students to do the suggested laboratory exercises listed on pages 45-48. These exercises can be done either as individual or group activities.

The teacher is urged to reinforce for the benefit of the student the relevant approved codes and safety practices. It should be made clear that safety in the handling of electricity is of paramount concern and should be the common thread connecting every topic.

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## **◆ OUTLINE OF ASSESSMENT**

EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT (80%)

Each Unit of the syllabus will be independently assessed and graded separately. The same scheme of assessment will be applied to each Module in each Unit.

The Scheme of assessment for each Unit will comprise two components, an external component and an internal component. The external component contributes 80 per cent and the internal component contributes 20 per cent towards the overall assessment for each Unit. These arrangements are detailed below.

#### Paper 01

(1 hour	This paper will consist of 15 compulsory short answer questions	30%

30 minutes) covering the three Modules in the Unit.

Paper 02 This paper will consist of three sections, each corresponding 50%

(2 hours to a Module in the Unit. Each section contains three essay type questions. Candidates are required to attempt two questions from each section. The first question in each section.

questions from each section. The first question in each section

will be compulsory.

## INTERNAL ASSESSMENT (20%)

## Paper 03

The Internal Assessment for each Unit requires that candidates undertake a project. For the project, candidates must construct a physical circuit of some utility which will demonstrate the practical, experimental and investigative skills they developed in the Unit. Examples of projects for Unit 1 and Unit 2 are provided on pages 45-48.

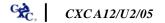
Private candidates will be required to complete all components of the examination.

#### **MODERATION OF INTERNAL ASSESSMENT**

Each year an Internal Assessment Record Sheet will be sent to schools submitting students for the examination.

All Internal Assessment Record Sheets and sample of assignments are to be submitted to the Local Registrar in time to reach CXC by May 31 of the year of the examination. A sample of assignments will be requested by CXC for moderation purposes.

These assignments will be re-assessed by CXC Examiners to inform the moderation of scores submitted



by the given teacher. Teachers' marks may be adjusted as a result of moderation. An Examiner's feedback report will be sent to each teacher.

Copies of the students' assignment that are not included in the sample submitted to CXC must be retained by the school until three months after publication by CXC of the examination results.

#### **ASSESSMENT DETAILS**

Each Unit will be assessed as follows:

External Assessment by Written Papers (80% of Total Assessment)

### Paper 01 (1 hour 30 minutes - 30% of Total Assessment)

#### 1. Number of Questions

All questions are compulsory. This paper will consist of 15 short answer questions. There will be five questions for each Module.

## 2. Syllabus Coverage

- (i) Coverage of the entire syllabus is required.
- (ii) The intention of this paper is to test knowledge, and use of knowledge across the breadth of the syllabus.

#### 3. Mark Allocation

Each group of 5 questions will be allocated 30 marks for a total of 90 marks. The marks allocated to each question will be indicated on the examination paper.

#### Note:

Full marks will be awarded for correct answers accompanied by relevant working. Where an incorrect answer is given, partial marks may be awarded for showing the appropriate method used to achieve the answer to a question.

#### 4. Use of Calculators

Candidates will be allowed to use a non-programmable calculator in the examinations. Candidates will be responsible for providing their own calculators and for ensuring that it functions throughout the examination.



#### Paper 02 (2 hours 30 minutes - 50% of Total Assessment)

This paper will be divided into three sections corresponding to the three Modules of the Unit.

#### 1. Composition of Paper

- (i) This paper will consist of nine essay or extended response questions comprising three questions on each section.
- (ii) Candidates are required to attempt two questions from each section. The first question in each section will be compulsory.
- (iii) The total number of marks available for the paper is 150 divided evenly over each section.
- (iv) This paper contributes 50% towards the final assessment.

#### 2. Syllabus Coverage

- (i) Each question requires a greater depth of understanding than the questions in Paper 01.
- (ii) The purpose of this paper is to test candidates' in-depth knowledge of the syllabus.

#### 3. Question Type

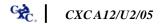
Questions require an extended response assessing knowledge, use of knowledge and practical ability.

#### 4. Mark Allocation

The compulsory question in each section will be worth 30 marks and all other questions will be worth 20 marks.

#### Note

- (i) If an incorrect numerical answer in an earlier question is repeated in a later question, then marks may be awarded in the later part even though the original answer is incorrect. In this way, a candidate will not be penalised twice for the same mistake.
- (ii) A correct answer given with no indication of the method used (in the form of relevant written working) will receive no marks. Candidates are, therefore, advised to show all workings.



#### 5. Use of Calculators

Candidates will be allowed to use a non-programmable calculator in the examinations. Candidates will be responsible for providing their own calculators and for ensuring that it functions throughout the examination.

#### INTERNAL ASSESSMENT (20% of Total Assessment)

Internal Assessment is an integral part of student assessment in the course covered by this syllabus. It is intended to assist students in acquiring certain knowledge, skills and attitudes that are associated with the subject. The activities for the Internal Assessment are linked to the syllabus and should form part of the learning activities to enable the student to achieve the objectives of the syllabus.

During the course of study for the subject, students obtain marks for the competence they develop and demonstrate in undertaking their Internal Assessment assignments. These marks contribute to the final marks and grades that are awarded to students for their performance in the examination.

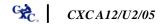
The guidelines provided in this syllabus for selecting appropriate tasks are intended to assist teachers and students in selecting assignments that are valid for the purpose of Internal Assessment. The guidelines provided for the assessment of the assignments are intended to assist teachers in awarding marks that are reliable estimates of the achievement of students in the Internal Assessment component of the course. In order to ensure that the scores awarded by teachers are consistent with the CXC standards, the Council undertakes the moderation of a sample of the Internal Assessment assignments marked by each teacher. Internal Assessment provides an opportunity to individualise a part of the curriculum to meet the needs of students. It facilitates feedback to the student at various stages of the experience. This helps to build the self- confidence of students as they proceed with their studies. Internal Assessment also facilitates the development of the critical skills and abilities emphasised by this CAPE subject and enhances the validity of the examination on which candidate performance is reported. Internal Assessment, therefore, makes a significant and unique contribution to both the development of relevant skills and the testing and rewarding of students for the development of those skills.

The Caribbean Examinations Council seeks to ensure that the Internal Assessment scores are valid and reliable estimates of accomplishment. The guidelines provided in this syllabus are intended to assist in doing so.

#### 1. Presentation of Project

The aims of the project are to:

- (i) promote self learning;
- (ii) provide opportunity for teachers to engage in the formative assessment of their students;



- (iii) provide opportunity for students to demonstrate their practical, experimental and investigative skills developed in the Unit;
- (iv) explore more fully, some areas of the Unit which may not be assessed adequately in an external examination.

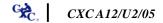
#### 2. Requirements

The reporting of results in Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Examinations is by Unit and Module and, as a result, each Project must cover the three Modules for the particular Unit. It is the responsibility of the teacher to conceptualise the Project to be done for the Unit. Using this conceptualised Project, the student is then required to develop his/her individual project-idea with the teacher acting as advisor. It is strongly advised that students complete the project definition early in the coverage of a Unit and certainly before completing 50% of the material in Module 2 of that Unit. In order to satisfy the objectives, students will be required to produce a physical circuit of some utility and to demonstrate the practical, experimental and investigative skills developed in the Unit.

Each Project to be completed must be based on a single Unit, but should encompass knowledge, topics, concepts, skills and procedures contained in all Modules within the specific Unit.

#### 3. Guidelines for Project Definition and Implementation

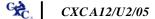
- (i) There must be one Project per Unit.
- (ii) Each Project must be based solely on information delivered in that particular Unit.
- (iii) The Project must use information from all three Modules of the particular Unit. The teacher must advise the students of the required Project to be done at the start of Module 1.
- (iv) After discussion with the teacher the project-idea <u>must</u> be approved by the teacher for implementation by the student.
- (v) The teacher is responsible for ensuring that the student's Project satisfies item (iii) above and can be implemented in the time frame with the physical resources available.
- (vi) Although the Project is the responsibility of the student, it is essential that the teacher meets regularly (at least once a week) with the student so as to provide continual guidance. At the end of these student-teacher sessions, the teacher should sign the student's Project Activity Record Book after noting what guidelines have been given to the student.



#### 4. Project Planning and Implementation

#### Students should:

- (i) prepare a written statement, clearly articulating the need, problem or purpose of the experiment;
- (ii) write the methodology or approach to satisfy the need, solve the problem or carry out the experiment;
- (iii) develop the project scope and functional specifications;
- (iv) acquire, label and maintain a **Project Activity Record Book**, which should include a record of the following:
  - (a) the statement of need, problem definition or purpose of the experiment;
  - (b) the approach or method statement;
  - (c) sketches, diagrams and pictures;
  - (d) design process, lab procedures and calculations;
  - (e) resources including tools, equipment and components used;
  - (f) specifications;
  - (g) problems, constraints, difficulties and limitations;
  - (h) test and troubleshooting procedures and results.
- (v) prepare a final report of the project which should include:
  - (a) the report purpose;
  - (b) statement of need, problem definition or purpose of the experiment;
  - (c) project scope and specifications;
  - (d) methodology or approach;
  - (e) design and construction details;
  - (f) summary of tests and troubleshooting procedures;
  - (g) testing and troubleshooting results;
  - (h) verification of scope and specifications;



- (i) constraints and difficulties;
- (j) conclusion and recommendations.
- (k) Project allocation form signed by the teacher.

## 5. Mark Allocation for Project

Marks will be awarded for the project based on the criteria listed below (see detailed mark scheme on pages 43-44).

(i) Management of the Project - 05

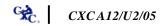
(ii) Practical Skills - 20

(iii) The Written Report - 35

## MARK SCHEME FOR THE PROJECT

The mark scheme provided below is intended to assist teachers in awarding marks that are reliable assessment of the achievement of students on the project they select. Candidates will be awarded a total of six marks for communicating information in a logical way using correct grammar.

	Assessment Criteria	Range of Marks	Teacher's Mark	CXC's Mark
1.	Management of Project	05		
	<ul> <li>a) Student required little or no supervision during the project</li> </ul>	4 - 5		
	b) Student required some supervision during the project	2 - 3		
	c) Student required major supervision during the project	0 - 1		
2.	Practical skills	20		
	<ul> <li>a) Ability to correctly and safely use basic test instruments (for example. DMM, VOM, Oscilloscope) and other components</li> </ul>	0 - 2		
	b) Ability to correctly identify components and component values	0 - 3		
	c) Ability to correctly and safely connect and wire basic circuits	0 - 4		
	d) Ability to meet functional specifications	0 - 8		
	e) Neatness	0 - 3		



		Assessment Criteria	Range of Marks	Teacher's Mark	CXC's Mark
3.	The V	Vritten Report	35		
	i) Te	echnical Content – 29 marks			
	a)		0-3		
	b)	<b>.</b>	0-4		
		Summary of tests and	0-3		
		troubleshooting procedures	0 3		
	ď	_ •	0-4		
	e)	,	0-8		
	f)		0-4		
	g)		0-3		
	ii) Co	ommunication of Information – 6 marks			
	a)		5-6		
	ĺ	way using correct grammar and			
		appropriate jargon MOST of the time.			
	b)	Communicates information in a logical	3-4		
		way using correct grammar and			
		appropriate jargon SOME of the time.			
	c)	Communicates information in a logical	1-2		
		way RARELY using correct grammar and			
		appropriate jargon.			
	1	Total	60		

## **♦ SUGGESTED LABORATORY EXERCISES FOR PROJECTS**

The students' practical competence will be enhanced by their completing the following suggested laboratory exercises and any other similar activities.

## **UNIT 1**

## PROJECT 1: AM Receiver

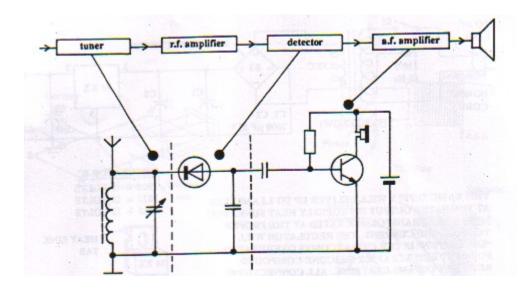


Figure I

Construct an A.M. receiver including tuning circuit, r.f. amplifier, diode detector, a.f. amplifier and speaker. **Refer to Figure I** above.

### **PROJECT 2: Voltage Regulator Circuits**

#### **Fixed Output Line Powered Supply** TOAC LINE -BRIDGE RECTIFIER PRI 120 V 78 XX POWER CORD C1, C2 (SEE BELOW) 2000 µF 35 V REGULATOR IC 7805 = 5 VOLTS THIS BASIC SUPPLY WILL DELIVER UP TO 1.5 AMPERES 7812 = 12 VOLTS AT THE RATED OUTPUT IF PROPERLY HEAT SUNK. YOU 7815 = 15 VOLTS MUST USE A TRANSFORMER RATED AT THE PROPER VOLTAGE AND CURRENT. THE REGULATOR WILL HEAT SINK "SHUT DOWN" IF THE CHIP BECOMES OVERHEATED. TAB FOR BEST RESULTS APPLY SILICONE COMPOUND BETWEEN TAB AND HEAT SINK. ALL CONNECTIONS TO THE AC LINE MUST BE INSULATED OR ENCLOSED. 1-IN 2-OUT 3- GROUND CAUTION: AC LINE OPERATED CIRCUITS.

Figure II

Build your own d.c. power supply from an a.c. source. The circuit must have the following specifications (**Refer to Figure II above**):

- a) Output Power = 1 Watt (maximum);
- b) Output Voltage = 6 V;
- c) Output Current = 1A (maximum);
- d) Ripple Factor < 10%.

#### PROJECT 3: Current Balance

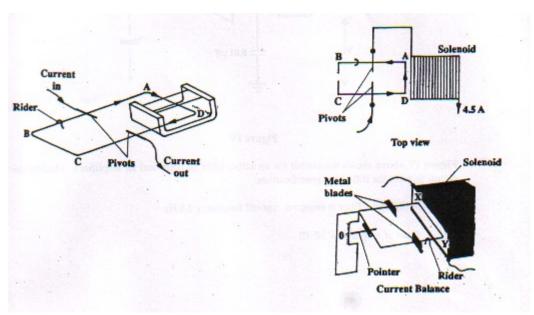


Figure III

Construct a current balance and use it to investigate the variation in magnetic flux density with distance using EITHER a bar magnet OR a current carrying wire. **Refer to Figure III** above.

#### PROJECT 4: Active Filter Circuit

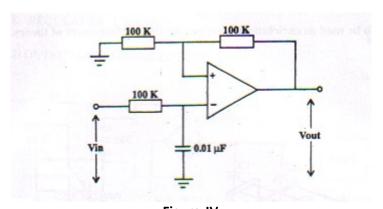
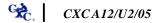


Figure IV

**Figure IV** above shows the circuit for an active filter (a filter and an amplifier). Modify the circuit to meet the following specifications:

- (a) a high pass filter is required: cut-off frequency 1 kHz;
- (b) gain of amplifier 10 dB.



PROJECT 1: 6-Digit Frequency

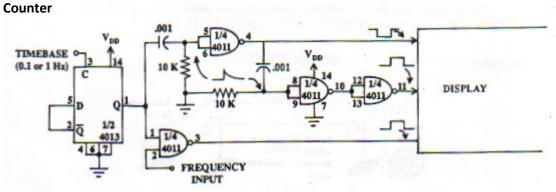


Figure I

Construct a frequency counter/meter that will measure and display frequencies up to 999 Hz. **Refer to Figure I** above.

#### PROJECT 2: A Model Power Line

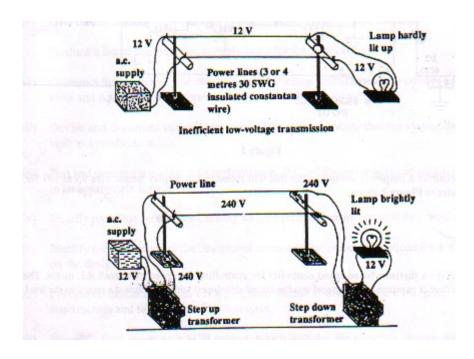


Figure II

Construct a model power line using a 12 V power supply as the 'power station' and TWO 1m length of constantan wire as the power lines and a lamp as the house. Investigate the power losses with 12 V d.c., and 12 V a.c. and then finally with TWO transformers. A lamp should be placed at the power station end and another at the house end. **Refer to Figure II.** 

## ◆ REGULATIONS FOR PRIVATE CANDIDATES

**Private candidates will be required to sit all components of the examination**. Private candidates are required to write all papers.

A private candidate must identify a teacher or tutor from a registered institution (school or technical institute or community college) who will assess and approve the candidate's submissions for the Internal Assessment component of the syllabus. The name, school, and territory of the identified teacher or tutor should be submitted to the Council on registration for the subject.

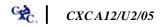
## REGULATIONS FOR RESIT CANDIDATES

- 1. Resit candidates must complete Papers 01 and 02 of the examination for the year for which they re- register. Resit candidates whose moderated score is at least 50% of the maximum possible moderated Internal Assessment score may elect not to repeat this component of the examination provided they resit the examination no later than two years following the first attempt. Candidates may elect to carry forward their moderated Internal Assessment score on more than one occasion during the two years following the first sitting of the examination.
- 2. Resit candidates who have obtained less than 50% of the maximum possible moderated score for the Internal Assessment component must repeat the component at any subsequent sitting.
- 3. Resit candidates must be entered through a school, a recognised educational institution, or through the Local Registrar's Office.

#### ASSESSMENT GRID

The Assessment Grid for each Unit provided below shows the marks assigned to each paper and to each Module, and the percentage contribution of each paper to the total scores.

Papers	Module 1	Module 2	Module 3	Total	(%)
External Assessment					
Paper 01					
Short	30	30	30	90	(30)
Answer					
Paper 02					
Essay/Extended Response	50	50	50	150	(50)
Internal Assessment					
Paper 03	20	20	20	60	(20)
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Total	100	100	100	300	(100)



## ◆ GLOSSARY OF ACRONYMS/TERMS FOR ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC TECHNOLOGY

ACRONYMS/TERMS DEFINITION/MEANING

AC Alternating Current

A/D converter Analog to Digital converter

AM Amplitude Modulation

AND Logical function which is TRUE if all inputs are TRUE

CRC Cyclic Redundancy Check

DC Direct Current

D/A converter Digital to Analogue converter

DPSK Differential Phase Shift Keying

Ex-OR (XOR) Exclusive OR. Logical function which is TRUE, if and only if,

exactly one input is TRUE. Frequently called XOR

Ex-NOR Exclusive NOR. Logical function which is TRUE, if and only if, all

inputs are FALSE

EPROM Electrically Programmable Read Only Memory

Flip-Flop Edge-triggered element with two stable states that are toggled on

different events, depending on the type, namely: D-flip-flop; JK

flip-flop; T-flip-flop; and RS Flip-Flop

FM Frequency Modulation

FSK Frequency Shift Keying

Gate A circuit on a chip which implements a logical function

LED Light Emitting Diode

NAND Logical function which is true, if and only if, all inputs are TRUE

NPN transistor Negative Positive Negative transistor

NOR Logical function which is TRUE, if and only if, all inputs are

**FALSE** 

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ACRONYMS/TERMS DEFINITION/MEANING

NOT Logical function which is TRUE if the input is FALSE

PCM Pulse Code Modulation

PNP transistor Positive Negative Positive transistor

PROM Programmable Read Only Memory

PSK Phase Shift Keying

RAM Random Access Memory

ROM Read Only Memory

RLC circuits Resistance Inductance Capacitance Circuits

SPDT switch Single Pole Double Throw switch

SPST switch Single Pole Single Throw switch

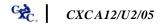
UART Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter

USART Universal Synchronous/Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter

## **◆ MINIMUM EQUIPMENT LIST FOR EVERY FIFTEEN STUDENTS**

EQUIPMENT	DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS	QUANTITY
Analog Multimeter	Volt/ohm/Current	3
Digital Multimeter	V/0/I/P/C/L	3
D.C. Power Supplies	5V/12V	3
Function Generators	Sinusoidol/square/triangular	3
Oscilloscope	20-100MHz Dual Trace	3
Bread Boards		15
Logic Probe	(At least TTL)	3
Logic Pulser	(At least TTL)	3
D.C. Motor	Small (0-24V); 2002-inch	1
Speed Encoder	Suitable for above (0-5V output)	1
Variac	0-240V; Single Phase	2
Single Phase Transformer	110/240V Primary; 15-0-15; etc centre tap	3
Squirrel Cage Induction Motor	1 phase cut-away view	1
D.C. Generator	Cut-away view	1
Synchronous Generator	Cut-away view	1
Hook-up Wire		
Test leads, clips, probes etc.		
Resistance Boxes		5
Capacitance Boxes		5
Inductance Boxes		5
	Analog Multimeter  Digital Multimeter  D.C. Power Supplies  Function Generators  Oscilloscope  Bread Boards  Logic Probe  Logic Pulser  D.C. Motor  Speed Encoder  Variac  Single Phase Transformer  Squirrel Cage Induction Motor  D.C. Generator  Synchronous Generator  Hook-up Wire  Test leads, clips, probes etc.  Resistance Boxes  Capacitance Boxes	Analog Multimeter  Digital Multimeter  V/O/I/P/C/L  D.C. Power Supplies  5V/12V  Function Generators  Sinusoidol/square/triangular  Oscilloscope  20-100MHz Dual Trace  Bread Boards  Logic Probe  (At least TTL)  Logic Pulser  (At least TTL)  D.C. Motor  Small (0-24V); 2002-inch  Speed Encoder  Suitable for above (0-5V output)  Variac  O-240V; Single Phase  Single Phase Transformer  110/240V Primary; 15-0-15; etc centre tap  Squirrel Cage Induction Motor  D.C. Generator  Cut-away view  Hook-up Wire  Test leads, clips, probes etc.  Resistance Boxes  Capacitance Boxes

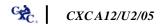
Note: The above list does not include electronic and other components that may be required.



# **◆** SYMBOLS, ABBREVIATIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIAGRAMATIC SYMBOLS

Abbreviations for Multiples and Sub-multiples		
Т	tera	10 <sup>12</sup>
G	giga	10 <sup>9</sup>
М	mega or meg	10 <sup>6</sup>
k	kilo	10 <sup>3</sup>
d	deci	10-1
С	centi	10-2
m	milli	10 <sup>-3</sup>
P-	micro	10- <sup>6</sup>
N	nano	10- <sup>9</sup>
Р	pico	10-12

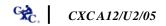
Units of length, volume, mass and time			
Quantity	Unit	Symbol	
Length	Metre, kilometre	M, km	
Mass	Kilogram, megagram or tonne	kg, Mg, t	
Volume	cubic metre, litre	m³, I	
Time	Second, minute, hour	S, min, h	



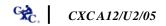
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Quantity	Quantity Symbol	Unit	Unit Symbol
Admittance	Υ	Siemens	S
Angular velocity	ω	radian per second	rad/s
Capacitance	С	Farad, microfarad, picofarad	F
Charge on Quantity of electricity	Q	coulomb	С
Conductance	G	Siemens	S
Conductivity	σ	Siemens per metre	S/m
Current Steady or r.m.s. value Instantaneous value Maximum value	 	Ampere, milliampere, microampere	A, mA, μA
Current density	J	ampere per square metre	A/m²
Difference of potential Steady or r.m.s. value Instantaneous value Maximum value	v v, V.	Volt, millivolt, kilovolt	V, mV, kV
Electric field strength	E	volt per metre	V/m
Electric flux	Q	coulomb	С
Electric flux density	D	coulomb per square metre	C/m <sup>2</sup>
Electromotive force Steady or r.m.s. value Instantaneous value Maximum value	E, e, e.m.f	volt	V
Energy	W	Joule, kilojoule, megajoule watt hour, kilowatt hour, electronvolt	J, kJ, MJ Wh, kWh eV
Force	F	newton	N
Frequency	f	Hertz, kilohertz, Megahertz	Hz, kHz, Mhz
Impedance	Z	ohm	Ω
Inductance, self	L	henry (plural, henrys)	Н
Inductance, mutual	М	henry (plural, henrys)	Н



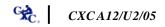
U	Inits of length, ve	olume, mass and time	
Quantity	Quantity Symbol	Unit	Unit Symbol
Magnetic field strength	Н	Ampere turns per metre	At/m
Magnetic flux	Φ	Weber	Wb
Magnetic flux density	В	Tesla	Т
Magnetic flux linkage	Ф	Weber	Wb
Magnetomotive force(mmf), magnetizing force, magnetic potential	NI	Ampere-turns	At
Permeability of free space or Magnetic constant	$\mu_o$	henry per metre	H/m
Permeability, relative	$\mu_r$		
Permeability, absolute	μ	henry per metre	H/m
Permittivity of free space or Electric constant	$\mathbf{\epsilon}_o$	farad per metre	F/m
Permittivity, relative	$\mathbf{E}_{\scriptscriptstyle R}$		
Permittivity, absolute	ε	farad per metre	F/m
Power	Р	Watt, kilowatt, Megawatt	W, kW, MW
Power, apparent	S	voltampere	VA
Power, reactive	Q	var	var
Reactance	Х	ohm	Ω
Reactive voltampere	Q	var	var
Reluctance	R	ampere per weber	A/Wb
Resistance	R	ohm microhm megohm	Ω, μΩ, ΜΩ
Resistivity	ρ	Ohm metre	Ωm
Speed, linear	u	metres per second	m/s
Speed, rotational	ωο	radians per second	rad/s
Susceptance	В	Siemens	S
Torque	Т	newton metre	Nm
Voltampere	-	Voltampere, kilovoltampere	VA, kVA
Wavelength	λ	Metre, micrometre	m ,μm



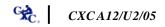
Analog and Digital Devices		
Symbol	Devices	
101	Crystal	
	Delay Element	
— LENB	Tri-State Buffer	
	Integrator	
<b>■</b>	Summing Amplifier	
<b>⇒</b>	Operational Amplifier	
>	Inverter	
<b>→</b>	Buffer	
1	AND gate	
<b>→</b>	OR gate	
	NAND gate	
<b>→</b>	NOR gate	

Analog and Digital Devices (cont'd)		
Symbol	Devices	
<b>***</b>	XNOR	
S SET Q — — — — — R CLR Q — —	RS Flip-flop	
— J set Q — —	JK Flip-flop	
D SET Q	Latch Flip-flop	
D SET Q	D Flip-flop	

Fundamental Item		
Symbol	Usage	
<u>_</u>	Ground	
	Common Ground	
)n	Chassis	
+	Battery	
	Resistor	
	Resistor (Alternative)	
	Variable Resistor	
	Capacitor	
	Variable Capacitor	
_~_	Circuit Breaker	
	Fuse	
m	Inductor (Air core)	
<u></u>	Inductor (Magnetic core)	



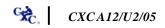
Fundamental Item (cont'd)	
Symbol	Usage
<b>→</b>	Transducer
A	Bell
a	Microphone
AC —	AC source
DC ————	DC source
	Speaker
₽	Lamp
M	Motor
G	Generator
0 0	SPST switch
~-°	SPDT switch
0 T 0 0 0	DPST switch
0 010 0 0^0	DPDT



Fundamental Item (cont'd)		
Symbol	Usage	
	Pushbutton (break)	
—	Normal Open Normal Close Relay contact	
-0-	Relay coils	
38	Transformer	
8	Transformer (Alternative)	
	Current Transformer	
3	Potential Transformer	

Semconductor Devices	
Symbol	Devices
	MOSFET (P-Type)
	MOSFET (N-Type)
	BJT (PNP)
$\bigcirc$	BJT (NPN)
<b>&gt;</b> i	Rectifier Diode
<b>→</b>	Zener Diode
<b>→</b>	Thyristor (silicon Controlled Rectifier)
	Light emitting diode (LED)
	Photo-diode

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