

Measurement and Instrumentation

Measurement: A method to obtain information regarding the physical value of the variable.

Instrumentation: Process of acquiring data about one or more physical quantities of interest using electrical sensors and instruments.

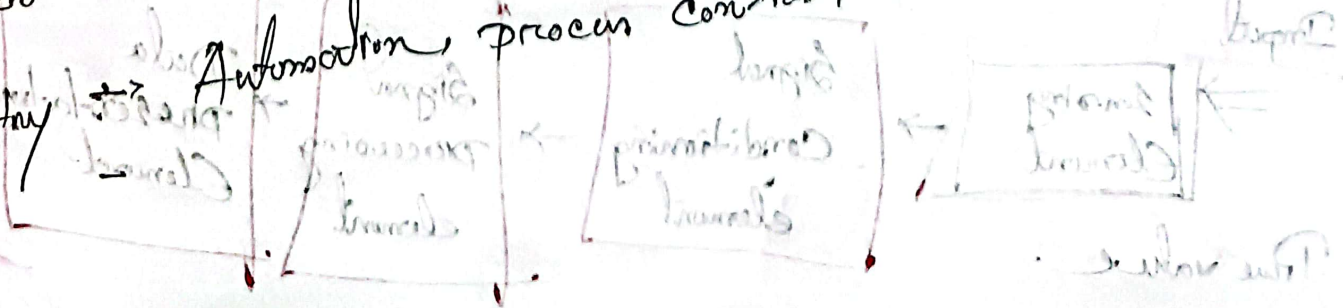
Calibration: Implies that there is a numeric relationship throughout the whole instrumentation system.

Application

Home: → Thermometer, watch, Barometer

Vehicles → Speedometer, fuel gauge

Industry → Automation, process control, Boiler control.



Why we need to measurement / necessity of measurement.

Why

monitor

Control

Analysis

Example: in case of process industries and industrial manufacturing.

► To improve the quality of the product.

► " " " efficiency

► " " maintain the proper operation.

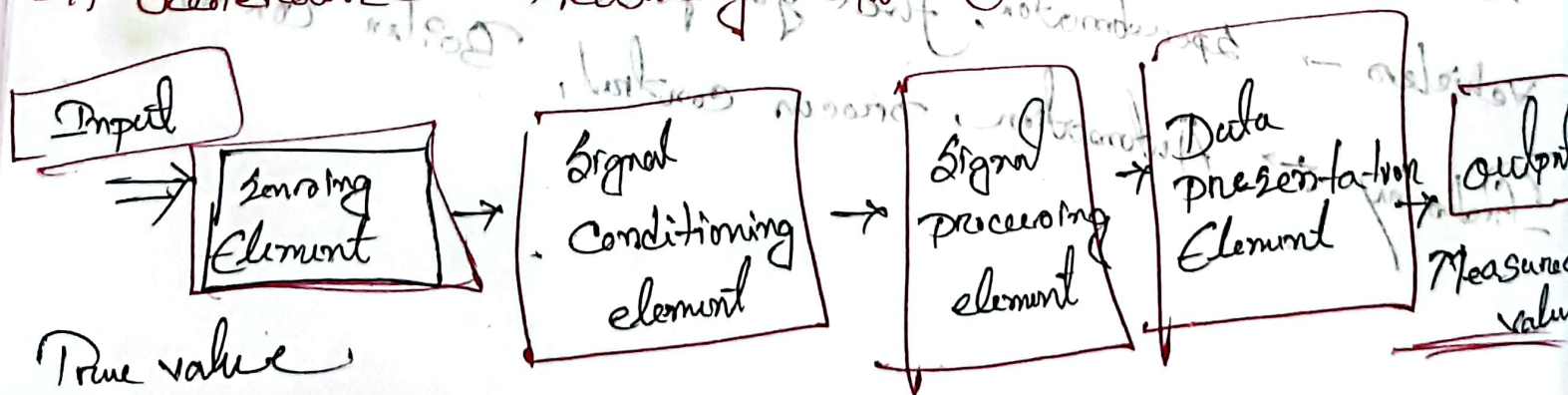
measurement is also required to acquire data or information about parameters. From of

Putting the numerical values to the physical quantities.

• Making measurement otherwise infeasible

• Producing data agreeable to analysis

Generalized Measuring System



True value

Stage 1 : A detection \rightarrow transducer or sensor
Ex: Thermocouple

Stage 2 : A signal conditioning stage
Ex: Amplifier, filters, Bridges.

Stage 3 : A signal processing stage
Ex: ADC, Computer.

Stage 4 : A stage recording stage.
Ex: Printer, Oscilloscope

Types of measuring instrument :

Null type instrument : A Zero or Null indication leads to determination of the magnitude of measured quantity.

Ex: DC - Potentiometer.

Absolute instruments : It gives the quantity to be measured in term of physical constant. Ex: Tangent Galvanometer.

physical constant Ex: θ

the angle deflection degree constant

Secondary Instruments: where the deflection gives the magnitude of electrical quantity to be measured indirectly.

Ex: Voltmeter, thermometer

Active Instrument: The quantity being measured simply modulates the magnitude of some external power source.

Ex: flood type petrol indicator

Passive Instrument: passive instrument output is completely produced by the quantity being measured.

Ex: pressure measuring device

Digital Instrument: It has only finite number of values.

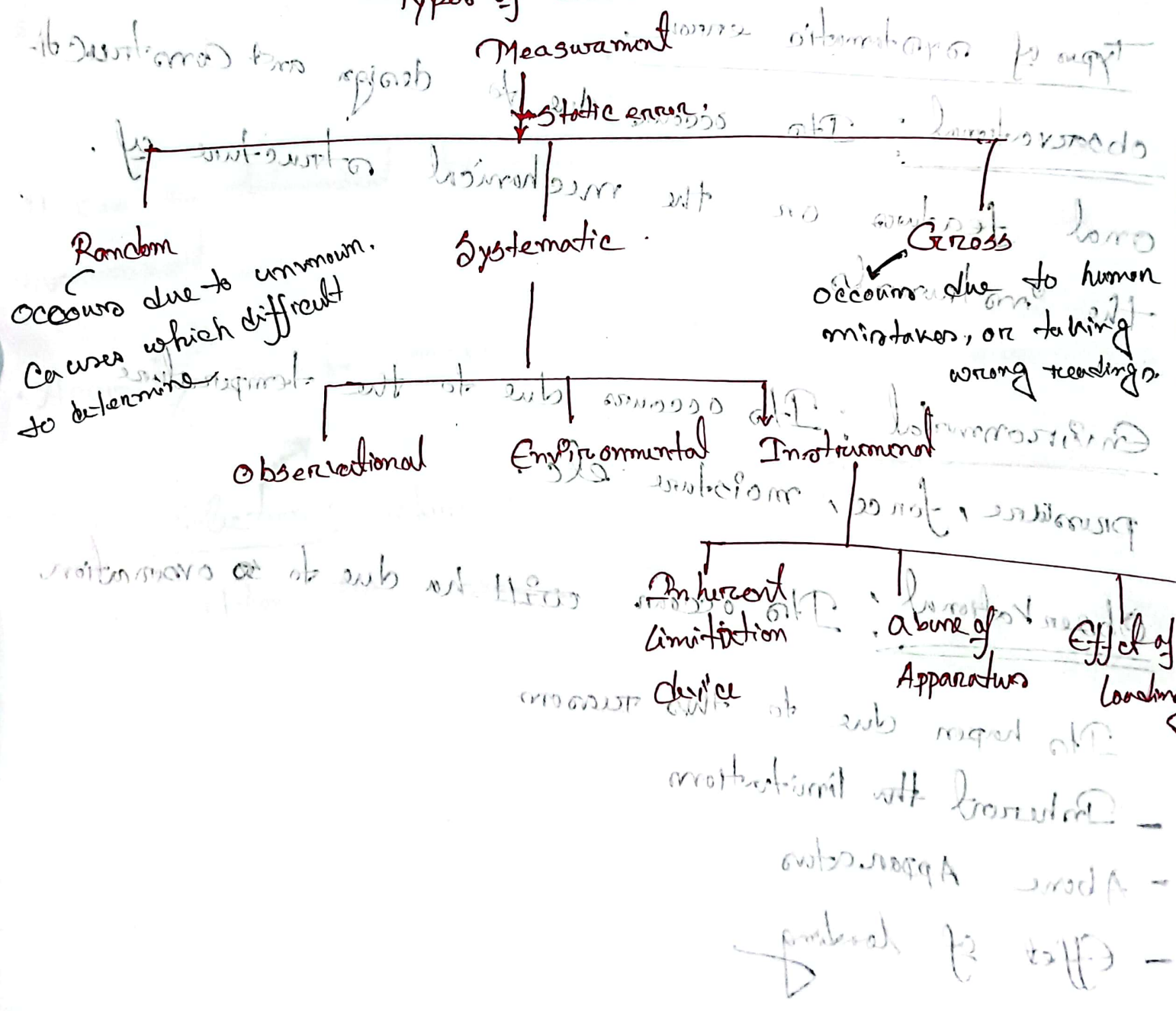
and varies discrete steps.

Ex: Revolution Counter

Measurement Error is the difference between measured value and the actual value.

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Types of error in Measurement



Systematic error 3 types are

- observational
- instrumental
- Environmental.

It is occurs due to the lack of the quality, in measuring instruments such as defective equipments.

Types of systematic error

observational: It occurs due to design and constructional features on the mechanical structure of the instruments.

Environmental: It occurs due to the temperature, pressure, force, moisture etc.

Observational: It occurs ~~with~~ due to observation

It happens due to the reasons

- Inherent limitations
- Abuse Apparatus
- Effect of loading

Accuracy

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Precision

• closeness of measurement of the true value.

True = 25mm, measured = 25.01mm

• It is affected with systematic error

• It can be determined by single measurement

• Accuracy can be improved

Factor selection: where measurement are made

doesn't alter the circuit condition.

• Repeatability of measurement.

True = 25mm

measured = 25.5

25.49

25.51

• It is affected with random error

• No determined precision

Several measurement are needed

• It can't be improved

are made

Mechanical Loading?

- It is the physical stress on a mechanical system.
- Load can be static or dynamic.
- Some loads specified part of the design of mechanical system.
- Some mechanical loads can be measured by an appropriate test method in lab.

Impedance Matching is to make sure that the input impedance of one stage, called source, is equal to the output impedance of the following stage called load.

It helps,

- Transfer maximum power to the network or load.
- Improve the signal to noise ratio of the system.
- Matching network is ideally lossless.

Special Transformer called impedance matching.
In which can used to match impedance.