

ProblemsErrors measurement :-

① The expected value of the voltage across a resistor is 80V. However, the measurement gives a value of 79V. Calculate

- (a) absolute error (c) relative accuracy  
(b) % error (d) % of accuracy

Sol:-

(a) absolute error  $\boxed{e = Y_m - X_m}$   

$$= 80 - 79$$
  

$$= 1V.$$

(b) % Error =  $\boxed{\frac{Y_m - X_m}{Y_m} \times 100}$   

$$= \frac{80 - 79}{80} \times 100 = 1.25\%$$

(c) Relative accuracy

$$A = 1 - \left| \frac{Y_m - X_m}{Y_m} \right|$$

$$= 1 - \left| \frac{80 - 79}{80} \right|$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{80}$$

$$= \frac{79}{80}$$

$$= 0.9875$$

(d) % of accuracy  $\boxed{a = 100 \times A}$   

$$= 100 \times 0.9875$$
  

$$= 98.75\%$$

(a)  $\boxed{a = 100\% - \% \text{ of error}}$   

$$= 100\% - 1.25\%$$
  

$$= 98.75\%$$

- ② The expected value of the current through a resistor is 20mA. ②  
However the measurement yields a current value of 18mA.  
calculate (a) absolute error (c) relative accuracy  
(b) % error (d) % accuracy

Sol.

(a) Absolute error:-  $e = Y_m - X_m$

where  $e$  = error,  $Y_m$  = expected value,  $X_m$  = measured value

given  $Y_m = 20\text{mA}$  &  $X_m = 18\text{mA}$

$$\therefore e = Y_m - X_m = 20\text{mA} - 18\text{mA} = \boxed{2\text{mA}}$$

(b) % error:- 
$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{Y_m - X_m}{Y_m} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{20\text{mA} - 18\text{mA}}{20\text{mA}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{2\text{mA}}{20\text{mA}} \times 100 \\ &= \boxed{10\%} \end{aligned}$$

(c) Relative accuracy:- 
$$\begin{aligned} A &= 1 - \left| \frac{Y_m - X_m}{Y_m} \right| \\ &= 1 - \left| \frac{20\text{mA} - 18\text{mA}}{20\text{mA}} \right| \\ &= 1 - \frac{2}{20} \\ &= 1 - 0.1 \\ &= 0.90 \end{aligned}$$

(d) % accuracy:-

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 100\% - \% \text{ error} \\ &= 100\% - 10\% \\ &= \boxed{90\%} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a &= A \times 100\% \\ &= 0.90 \times 100\% \\ &= \boxed{90\%} \end{aligned}$$

Q. Below table gives the set of 10 measurement that were recorded in the laboratory calculate the precision of the measurement.

Measurement number	Measurement value $x_m$
1	98
2	101
3	102
4	97
5	101
6	100
7	103
8	98
9	106
10	99

Sol:- The average value for the set of measurement is given by

$$\bar{x}_m = \frac{\text{Sum of the 10 measurement values}}{10}$$

$$= \frac{1005}{10}$$

$$= 100.5$$

$$\text{precision} = 1 - \left| \frac{x_m - \bar{x}_m}{\bar{x}_m} \right|$$

For the 6<sup>th</sup> reading

$$\text{Precision} = 1 - \left| \frac{100 - 100.5}{100.5} \right|$$

$$= 1 - \frac{0.5}{100.5}$$

$$= \frac{100}{100.5} = \boxed{0.995}$$

Q For the following given data, calculate

- (i) Arithmetic mean
- (ii) Deviation of each value
- (iii) Algebraic sum of the deviations
- (iv) Average deviation
- (v) Standard deviation

Given data  $x_1 = 49.7$ ;  $x_2 = 50.1$ ;  $x_3 = 50.2$ ;  $x_4 = 49.6$ ;  $x_5 = 49.7$

Sol:- (i) Arithmetic mean:-

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5}{5} \\ &= \frac{49.7 + 50.1 + 50.2 + 49.6 + 49.7}{5} \\ &= \boxed{49.86}\end{aligned}$$

(ii) Deviation of each value:-

$$\begin{aligned}d_1 &= x_1 - \bar{x} = 49.7 - 49.86 = -0.16 \\ d_2 &= x_2 - \bar{x} = 50.1 - 49.86 = +0.24 \\ d_3 &= x_3 - \bar{x} = 50.2 - 49.86 = +0.34 \\ d_4 &= x_4 - \bar{x} = 49.6 - 49.86 = -0.26 \\ d_5 &= x_5 - \bar{x} = 49.7 - 49.86 = -0.16\end{aligned}$$

(iii) The algebraic sum of the deviation is:-

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Total} &= -0.16 + 0.24 + 0.34 - 0.26 - 0.16 \\ &= +0.58 - 0.58 = 0\end{aligned}$$

(iv) Average deviation:-

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Dev} &= \frac{|d_1| + |d_2| + |d_3| + \dots + |d_n|}{n} \\ &= \frac{|-0.16| + |0.24| + |0.34| + |-0.26| + |-0.16|}{5} \\ &= \frac{1.16}{5} = 0.232\end{aligned}$$



(V) Standard deviation:-

Sol:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{d_1^2 + d_2^2 + d_3^2 + \dots + d_n^2}{n-1}}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{(-0.16)^2 + (0.24)^2 + (0.34)^2 + (-0.26)^2 + (-0.16)^2}{5-1}}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{0.0256 + 0.0576 + 0.1156 + 0.0676 + 0.0256}{4}}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{0.292}{4}} = \sqrt{0.073} = \boxed{0.27}$$

- ⑤ A 500mA voltmeter is specified to be accurate with  $\pm 2\%$ . Calculate the limiting error when instrument is used to measure 300mA.

Sol: Given accuracy of  $0.02 = \pm 2\%$ .

The magnitude of limiting error is

$$500\text{mA} \times 0.02$$
$$= 10\text{mA}$$

$$\therefore \text{The limiting error at } 300\text{mA} = \frac{10\text{mA}}{300\text{mA}} \times 100\%$$

$$= \boxed{3.33\%}$$

- ⑥ A voltmeter reading 70V on its 100V range & an ammeter reading 80mA on its 150mA range are used to determine the power dissipated in a resistor. Both these instruments are guaranteed to be accurate within  $\pm 1.5\%$  at full scale deflection. Determine the limiting error of the power.

Sol: The magnitude of the limiting error for the voltmeter is

$$0.015 \times 100 = \boxed{1.5\text{V}}$$

The limiting error at 70V is

$$\frac{1.5}{70} \times 100 = \boxed{2.143\%}$$

The magnitude of limiting error of the ammeter is

$$0.015 \times 150 \text{ mA} = \boxed{2.25 \text{ mA}}$$

The limiting error at 80 mA is

$$\frac{2.25 \text{ mA}}{80 \text{ mA}} \times 100 = \boxed{2.813\%}$$

$\therefore$ , the limiting error for the power calculation is the sum of the individual limiting errors involved.

$$\therefore \text{limiting error} = 2.143\% + 2.813\% \\ = \boxed{4.956\%}$$

Basic meter movement

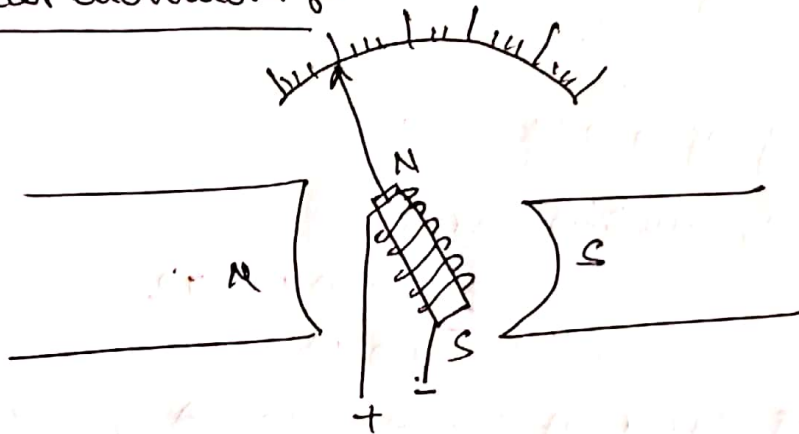


Fig: D'Arsonval principle

$$T = B \times A \times I \times N$$

where,

$T$  = Torque, Newton-meter

$B$  = flux density in the air gap,  $\text{wb/m}^2$

$A$  = effective coil area ( $\text{m}^2$ )

$N$  = no. of turns of wire of the coil

$I$  = current in the movable coil (amperes)

① A moving coil instrument has the following data

No. of Turns = 100

width of the coil = 20 mm

Depth " " " = 30 mm

flux density in the gap =  $0.1 \text{ Wb/m}^2$

calculate the deflecting torque when carrying a current of 10 mA.  
Also calculate the deflection, if the control spring constant is  $2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Nm/degree}$ .

Sol.: The deflecting torque is given by

$$\tau_d = B \times A \times N \times I$$

$$= 0.1 \times 30 \times 10^{-3} \times 20 \times 10^{-3} \times 100 \times 10 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$= 600 \times 1000 \times 0.1 \times 10^{-9}$$

$$= 600 \times 1000 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$= 60 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Nm}$$

The spring control provides a restoring torque, i.e.  $\tau_c = K\theta$

where

K is the spring constant

As deflecting torque = restoring torque

$$\therefore \tau_c = 6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Nm} = K\theta$$

$$\therefore \theta = \frac{6 \times 10^{-5}}{2 \times 10^{-6}}$$

$$= 3 \times 10$$

$$\theta = 30^\circ$$

$\therefore$ , the deflection is  $30^\circ$

② A moving coil instrument has the following data ⑧

No. of turns = 100

Width of the coil = 20mm

Depth of the coil = 30mm

Flux density in the gap =  $0.1 \text{ Wb/m}^2$

The deflection torque =  $30 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Nm}$

Calculate the current through the moving coil

Sol:

$$\tau_d = B \times A \times N \times I$$

$$30 \times 10^{-6} = 0.1 \times 30 \times 10^{-3} \times 20 \times 10^{-3} \times 100 \times I$$

$$I = \frac{30 \times 10^{-6}}{0.1 \times 30 \times 10^{-3} \times 20 \times 10^{-3} \times 100}$$

$$I = \frac{30 \times 10^{-6}}{0.1 \times 600 \times 10^{-6} \times 100}$$

$$\boxed{I = 5 \text{ mA}}$$