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UNIT - I  
Problems

Error 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 
$$|e = Y_m - X_m|$$

$$= 80 - 79$$

$$= 1V.$$

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

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

(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 
$$|a = 100 \times A|$$

$$= 100 \times 0.9875$$

$$= 98.75\%$$

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

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

$$= 98.75\%$$

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

Sol:-

(a) Absolute error :-

$$e = Y_m - X_m$$

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

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

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

(b) % error :-

$$\frac{Y_m - X_m}{Y_m} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{20\text{mA} - 18\text{mA}}{20\text{mA}} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{2\text{mA}}{20\text{mA}} \times 100$$

$$= 10\%$$

(c) Relative accuracy :-

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

$$= 1 - \left| \frac{20\text{mA} - 18\text{mA}}{20\text{mA}} \right|$$

$$= 1 - \frac{2}{20}$$

$$= 1 - 0.1$$

$$= 0.90$$

(d) % accuracy :-

$$\alpha = 100\% - \% \text{ error}$$

$$= 100\% - 10\%$$

$$= 90\%$$

$$\alpha = A \times 100\%$$

$$= 0.90 \times 100\%$$

$$= 90\%$$

③ 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

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

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

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

Q) For the following given data, calculate

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

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 :-

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

(ii) Deviation of each value :-

$$d_1 = x_1 - \bar{x} = 49.7 - 49.86 = -0.16$$

$$d_2 = x_2 - \bar{x} = 50.1 - 49.86 = +0.24$$

$$d_3 = x_3 - \bar{x} = 50.2 - 49.86 = +0.34$$

$$d_4 = x_4 - \bar{x} = 49.6 - 49.86 = -0.26$$

$$d_5 = x_5 - \bar{x} = 49.7 - 49.86 = -0.16$$

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

$$d_{\text{total}} = -0.16 + 0.24 + 0.34 - 0.26 - 0.16$$
$$= +0.58 - 0.58 = 0$$

(iv) Average deviation :-

$$Dav = \frac{|d_1| + |d_2| + |d_3| + \dots + |d_m|}{n}$$

$$= \frac{|-0.16| + |0.24| + |0.34| + |-0.26| + |-0.16|}{5}$$

$$= \frac{1.16}{5} = 0.232$$

(V) Standard deviation:-

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Sol: } \sigma &= \sqrt{\frac{d_1^2 + d_2^2 + d_3^2 + \dots + d_m^2}{m-1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{(-0.16)^2 + (0.24)^2 + 0.34^2 + (-0.26)^2 + (-0.16)^2}{5-1}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{0.0256 + 0.0576 + 0.1156 + 0.0676 + 0.0256}{4}} \\
 &= \sqrt{\frac{0.292}{4}} = \sqrt{0.073} = \boxed{0.27}
 \end{aligned}$$

- 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  $0.02 \Rightarrow \pm 2\%$ .

The magnitude of limiting error is

$$\begin{aligned}
 500\text{mA} \times 0.02 \\
 = 10\text{mA}
 \end{aligned}$$

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

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

- 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

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

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 80mA is

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

∴ 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 :-

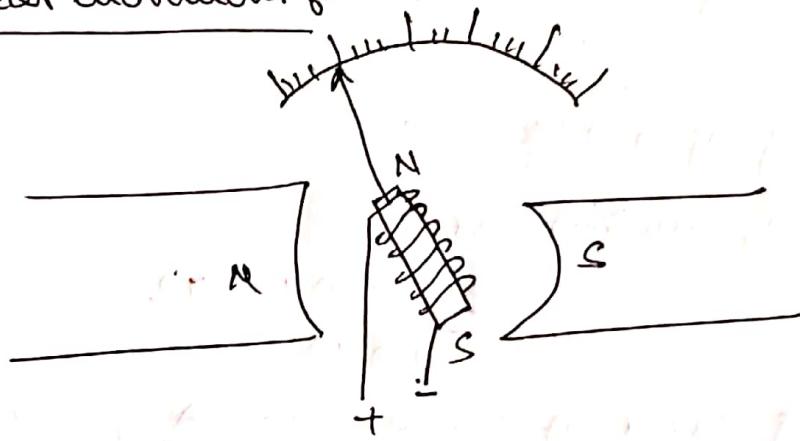


fig. D'Arsonval principle

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

where,

$\tau$  = Torque, Newton-meter

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

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

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

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

- ① A moving coil instrument has the following data
- No. of Turns = 100
  - width of the coil = 20 mm
  - Depth " " " = 20 mm
  - flux density in the gap =  $0.1 \text{ Wb/m}^2$

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

Sol: The deflecting Torque is given by

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

$$\begin{aligned} &= 0.1 \times 30 \times 10^{-3} \times 20 \times 10^{-3} \times 100 \times 10 \times 10^{-3} \\ &= 600 \times 1000 \times 0.1 \times 10^{-9} \\ &= 600 \times 1000 \times 10^{-10} \\ &= 60 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Nm} \end{aligned}$$

The spring control provides a restoring torque, i.e.  $T_c = k\theta$

where  $k$  is the spring constant

As deflecting torque = restoring torque

$$\therefore T_c = 6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ Nm} = k\theta$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} &= 3 \times 10 \\ &\boxed{= 30^\circ} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  The deflection is  $30^\circ$

② A moving coil instrument has the following data

$$\text{No. of turns} = 100$$

$$\text{Width of the coil} = 20\text{mm}$$

$$\text{Depth of the coil} = 30\text{mm}$$

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

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

calculate the current through the moving coil

Sol:

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

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

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

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

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