Analog Electronics Spring Quarter 2017 Physics 116A





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Lectures: M,W,F 12:10-1:00 PM in Rm. 140 Physics

Lab: Section 1: M 3:10-6:00 PM in Rm. 152 Roessler Section 2: W 3:10-6:00 PM in Rm. 152 Roessler

Text: The Art of Electronics, 3rd Edition, Horowitz and Hill

Office Hours: W 2:00-3:00 PM in 152 Roessler, and also often available during lab.

Lab Instructor: Christopher Brainerd, cbbrainerd@ucdavis.edu

Midterm Exams: Two Midterm Exams, TBA Final Exam: Monday, December 11 at 3:30 pm

Homework: There will be approximately five homework assignments.

Course Description: This course covers analog electronic devices from passive components resistors, capacitors, and inductors to active devices diodes, transistors, and operational amplifiers. It includes physical models for analog devices, circuit design and analysis, and laboratory techniques.

Course Objections: You will gain lab experience with measurement and debugging of analog electric circuits. You will learn practical mathematical tools for analyzing or designing and tuning circuits. You will apply basic physics principles toward understanding realistic models for the response of passive and active electronic components.

Lab Safety: You should complete the online course for Electrical Safety at http://safetyservices.ucdavis.edu/training/electrical-safety.

Lab Reports: Before each lab, download the lab write-out, print it out, and complete the pre-lab computations. Online logs are very useful, but a hand-written logbook is still hard to beat. For this class, bring a quadrille-ruled notebook for lab notes and quick hand-written plots, which you may supplement with an online logbook if you prefer. Note that if you use an online tool, you'll still need to provide a collated paper log to your TA. Data sheets can be shared via photo-copying or online logs, but each student must maintain their own log.

Students should also bring a flash drive to transfer scope images to a laptop for preparation of lab reports. The TA will provide more information.

Tentative Course Outline:

The weekly coverage might change as it depends on the progress of the class. The text is fairly extensive, and in some cases goes well beyond what we will cover in class. However, you will find this book to be a terrific resource for future electronics projects, particularly if you are familiar with the core material.

The text is geared toward practical matters of circuit design and analysis. In class, we will supplement this material with additional material to connect electronic devices to fundamental physics processes and models.

Week	Dates	Reading	Topics	Lab
0	27,29 Sep		Intro and RLC Circuits	No Lab
1	2,4,6 Oct	1.1-1.5	RLC Circuits	1) DC Circuits
2	9,11,13 Oct	1.7	Impedance	2) RLC circuits
3	16,18,20 Oct	1.6	Semiconductors, Diodes	3) AC and Impedance
4	23,25,27 Oct	2.1-2.6	Transistors	4) Diodes
5	30 Oct 1,3 Nov		Transistors	5) Transistors
6	6,8 Nov	4.1-4.3	Op Amps	6) Power Amplifiers
7	13,15,17 Nov		Active Filters	7) Op Amp
8	20,22 Nov		(Make-Up)	(Make Up)
9	27,29 Nov 1 Dec		TBA	8) Active Filters
10	4,6,8 Dec		Review	9) AM Radio