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CircuitLib Requirements Document

This document sets forth requirements for the initial version of CircuitLib, a graphical user interface that allows users to visually experiment with various common electric circuits. The requirements and feature set may change for subsequent releases.

- 1) The Graphical User Interface will comprise a series of tabs.
- 2) Each tab displays a fixed arrangement of circuit components.
- 3) Circuit component configurations may include (but are not limited to) series and parallel RLC filters, transistor oscillators, and op amp differentiators and integrators.
- 4) The individual component values (resistance, inductance, and capacitance) will be editable.
- 5) Numerical and/or exact solutions to the component configuration will be computed in the background
- 6) Each tab and corresponding circuit configuration will produce output (i.e. mathematical functions) relevant to the specific circuit.
- 7) Some output shall be displayed graphically (i.e. voltage vs. time graphs, frequency response graphs).
- 8) The software is not intended to replace the function of SPICE simulations, but should be easier and quicker to use for analysis of the specific supported circuit configurations.
- 9) The target audience comprises:
  - Academic instructors or tutors who want a visual aid to compliment mathematical analysis of circuits
  - Electrical hobbyists desiring a library of common circuit configurations with which to experiment
- 10) The software will run on modern computer systems.
- 11) The software shall be portable and not require installation.