# Lecture 1

Introduction

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- Circuit Elements

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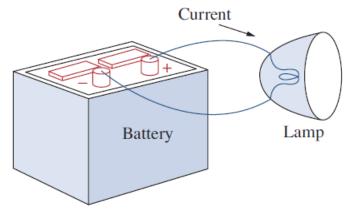


Figure 1.1 A simple electric circuit.

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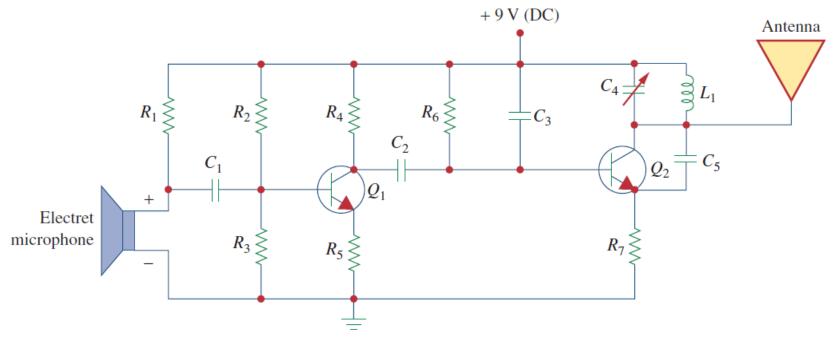


Figure 1.2
Electric circuit of a radio transmitter.

## System of Units

- As electrical engineers, we deal with measurable quantities.
- An international measurement language is the International System of Units (SI)

#### TABLE 1.1

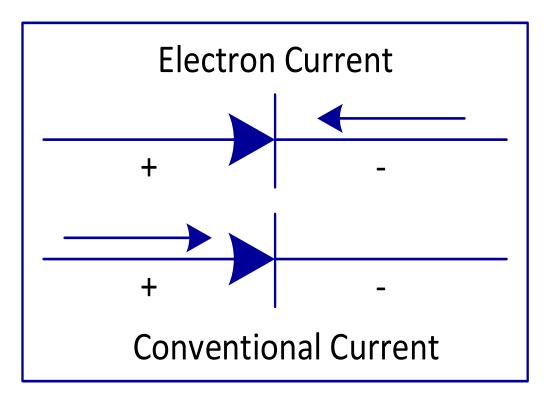
Six basic SI units and one derived unit relevant to this text.

Quantity	Basic unit	Symbol
Length	meter	m
Mass	kilogram	kg
Time	second	S
Electric current	ampere	A
Thermodynamic temperature	kelvin	K
Luminous intensity	candela	cd
Charge	coulomb	C

## Charge

- Charge is an electrical property of the atomic particles of which matter consists, measured in coulombs (C).
- The coulomb is a large unit for charges. In 1 C of charge, there are electrons. Thus realistic or laboratory values of charges are on the order of pC, nC, or  $\mu$ C
- The *law of conservation of charge* states that charge can neither be created nor destroyed, only transferred.

- Current: The flow of electrons through a conductor
  - Measure in Ampere
  - Measured with Amp Meter
  - Electron Current flow
    - Negative to positive flow
  - Conventional Current flow
    - Positive to negative flow



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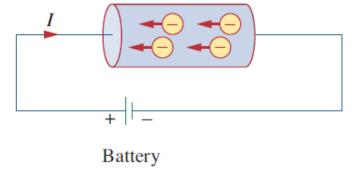


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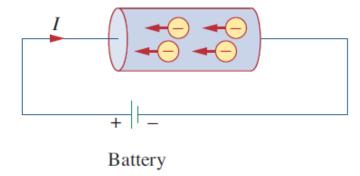


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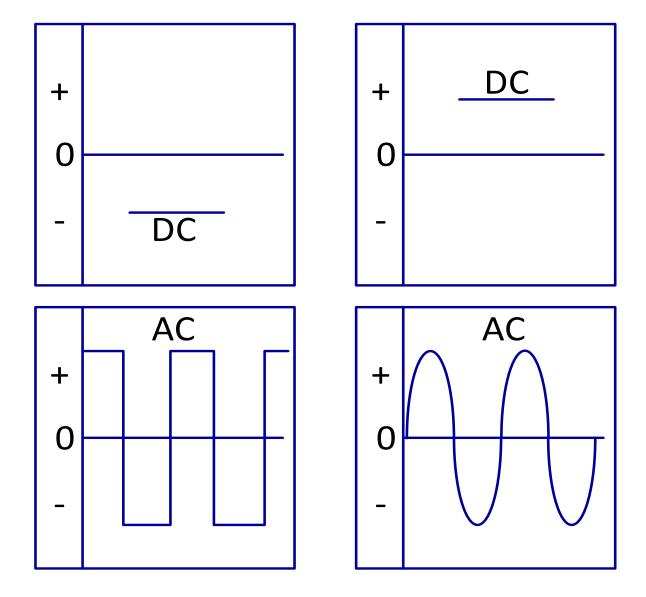
Electric current due to flow of electronic charge in a conductor.

• 1 ampere = 1 coulomb/second

• The charge transferred between time and *t* is obtained by integrating both sides we obtain,

$$Q \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \int_{t_0}^t i \, dt$$

- Direct Current-DC
  - ✓ Current flows in one direction only.
  - ✓ Car Battery
  - ✓ Photovoltaic cells
- Alternating Current-AC
  - ✓ Current flows in one direction, then the other, and alternates back and forth.
  - ✓ This is what is used in one's home single phase.
  - ✓ Can be transformed



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$$i = \frac{dq}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} (5t \sin 4\pi t) \text{ mC/s} = (5 \sin 4\pi t + 20\pi t \cos 4\pi t) \text{ mA}$$
At  $t = 0.5$ ,
$$i = 5 \sin 2\pi + 10\pi \cos 2\pi = 0 + 10\pi = 31.42 \text{ mA}$$

# Voltage

• The voltage  $V_{ab}$  between two points a and b in an electric circuit is the energy (or work) needed to move a unit charge from a to b; mathematically,

$$v_{ab} \triangleq \frac{dw}{dq}$$

1 volt = 1 joule/coulomb = 1 newton-meter/coulomb

# Voltage

• Voltage (or potential difference) is the energy required to move a unit charge through an element, measured in volts (V).

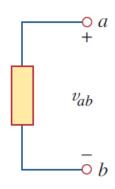


Figure 1.6 Polarity of voltage  $v_{ab}$ .

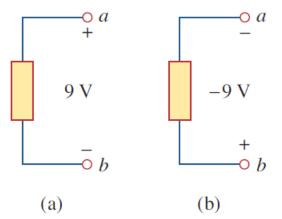


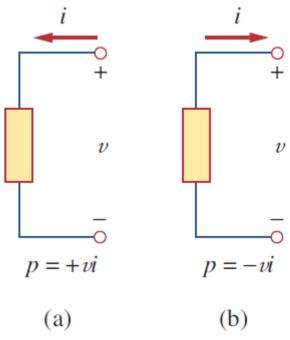
Figure 1.7

Two equivalent representations of the same voltage  $v_{ab}$ : (a) Point a is 9 V above point b; (b) point b is -9 V above point a.

Power is the time rate of expending or absorbing energy,

measured in watts (W).

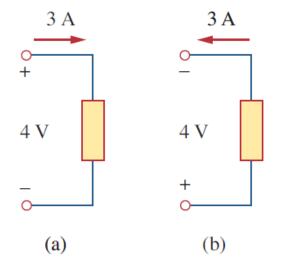
$$p \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \frac{dw}{dt}$$



#### Figure 1.8

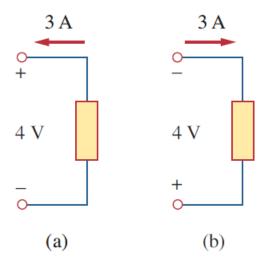
Reference polarities for power using the passive sign convention: (a) absorbing power, (b) supplying power.

- By the passive sign convention, current enters through the positive polarity of the voltage. In this case, p=+vi or p=vi>0 implies that the element is absorbing power.
- However, if p=-vi or vi<0 or , as in Fig. 1.8(b), the element is releasing or supplying power.



#### Figure 1.9

Two cases of an element with an absorbing power of 12 W: (a)  $p = 4 \times 3 = 12$  W, (b)  $p = 4 \times 3 = 12$  W.



#### Figure 1.10

Two cases of an element with a supplying power of 12 W: (a)  $p = -4 \times 3 = -12$ W, (b)  $p = -4 \times 3 = -12$  W.

- The law of conservation of energy must be obeyed in any electric circuit.
- For this reason, the algebraic sum of power in a circuit, at any instant of time, must be zero:

$$\sum p = 0$$

$$w = \int_{t_0}^t p \, dt = \int_{t_0}^t vi \, dt$$

- Energy is the capacity to do work, measured in joules (J).
- The electric power utility companies measure energy in watthours (Wh), where-

1 Wh = 3,600 J

Find the power delivered to an element at t = 3 ms if the current entering its positive terminal is

$$i = 5 \cos 60 \pi t A$$

and the voltage is: (a) v = 3i, (b)  $v = 3 \frac{di}{dt}$ .

#### **Solution:**

(a) The voltage is  $v = 3i = 15 \cos 60 \pi t$ ; hence, the power is

$$p = vi = 75\cos^2 60\pi t \,\mathrm{W}$$

At t = 3 ms,

$$p = 75\cos^2(60\pi \times 3 \times 10^{-3}) = 75\cos^2(0.18\pi) = 53.48 \text{ W}$$

(b) We find the voltage and the power as

$$v = 3\frac{di}{dt} = 3(-60\pi)5 \sin 60\pi t = -900\pi \sin 60\pi t \text{ V}$$
$$p = vi = -4500\pi \sin 60\pi t \cos 60\pi t \text{ W}$$

At t = 3 ms,

$$p = -4500\pi \sin 0.18\pi \cos 0.18\pi W$$
  
= -14137.167 \sin 32.4° \cos 32.4° = -6.396 kW

- An electric circuit is simply an interconnection of the elements.
- Two types of elements in electric circuits:
  - ✓ *Passive* elements = resistors, capacitors, and inductors
  - ✓ active elements = generators, batteries, and operational amplifiers
- An active element is capable of generating energy while a passive element is not.

- The most important active elements are voltage or current sources that generally deliver power to the circuit connected to them.
- There are two kinds of sources: independent and dependent sources.

• Independent Sources- An ideal independent source is an active element that provides a specified voltage or current that is completely independent of other circuit elements.

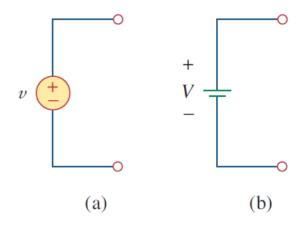


Figure 1.11

Symbols for independent voltage sources: (a) used for constant or time-varying voltage, (b) used for constant voltage (dc).

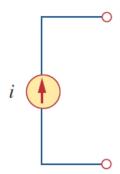


Figure 1.12
Symbol for independent current source.

 Dependent Sources- An ideal dependent (or controlled) source is an active element in which the source quantity is controlled by another voltage or current.

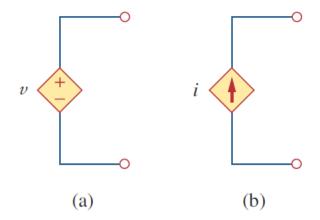
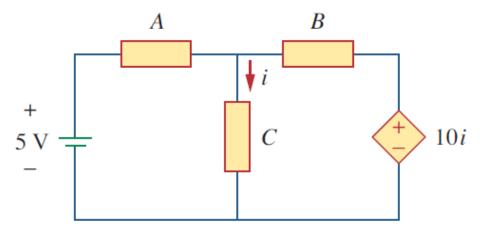


Figure 1.13

Symbols for: (a) dependent voltage source, (b) dependent current source.

There are four possible types of dependent sources, namely:

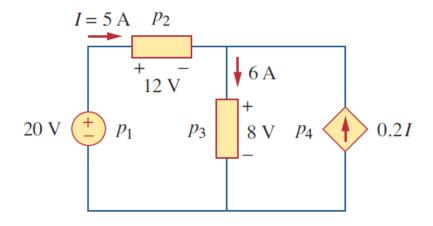
- i. A voltage-controlled voltage source (VCVS).
- ii. A current-controlled voltage source (CCVS).
- iii. A voltage-controlled current source (VCCS).
- iv. A current-controlled current source (CCCS).



#### Figure 1.14

The source on the right-hand side is a current-controlled voltage source.

Calculate the power supplied or absorbed by each element in Fig. 1.15.



**Figure 1.15** For Example 1.7.

#### **Solution:**

We apply the sign convention for power shown in Figs. 1.8 and 1.9. For  $p_1$ , the 5-A current is out of the positive terminal (or into the negative terminal); hence,

$$p_1 = 20(-5) = -100 \text{ W}$$
 Supplied power

For  $p_2$  and  $p_3$ , the current flows into the positive terminal of the element in each case.

$$p_2 = 12(5) = 60 \text{ W}$$
 Absorbed power  $p_3 = 8(6) = 48 \text{ W}$  Absorbed power

$$p_4 = 8(-0.2I) = 8(-0.2 \times 5) = -8 \text{ W}$$
 Supplied power

We should observe that the 20-V independent voltage source and 0.2*I* dependent current source are supplying power to the rest of the network, while the two passive elements are absorbing power. Also,

$$p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 = -100 + 60 + 48 - 8 = 0$$