

Measurement of errors

In practice, it is impossible to measure the exact value of the measurand. المقياس المراد قياسها

There is always some difference between the measured value and the true value of the unknown quantity (measurand)

$A_m \rightarrow$ measured value

$A \rightarrow$ true or absolute value

The difference between measured value and true value called absolute error (δA) ϵ_0

$$\delta A = A_m - A$$

$$\delta A = \epsilon_0$$

The ratio of absolute error to the true value of the unknown quantity to be measured called relative error ϵ_r

$$\epsilon_r = \frac{\delta A}{A} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{A}$$

When difference between true value (A) and measured value (A_m) is very small $\therefore A \approx A_m$

$$\therefore \epsilon_r = \frac{\delta A}{A_m} = \frac{\epsilon_0}{A_m}$$

The relative error is generally expressed as Percentage Value

$$\text{Percentage error} = \epsilon_r \times 100 = \frac{\epsilon_0}{A_m} \times 100 = \frac{\epsilon_0}{A} \times 100$$

The measured value of the unknown quantity may be more than or less than the true value, so the manufacturers have to specify the deviations from the specified value of a particular quantity

→ The limits of these deviations from specified value are defined as limiting or guarantee errors.

→ The magnitude of given quantity having a specified magnitude A_m and a maximum error $\pm \delta A$ must have a magnitude between the limits

$$A = A_m \pm \delta A = A_m \pm A_m \epsilon_r = A_m (1 \pm \epsilon_r)$$

Sheet (1) Solutions.

- ① 0-25 A ammeter, ϵ_r of instrument = 1% , $A_m = 10 A$
determine the limiting error in Percentage

$$\epsilon_r = \frac{\text{Percentage error}}{100} = \frac{1}{100} = 0.01 \quad \text{Solution}$$
$$\delta A = \epsilon_r \times A$$

$$\delta A = 0.01 \times 25 = 0.25 A$$

measured Value $A_m = 10 A$

$$\therefore \text{limiting error at this current} = \frac{\delta A}{A_m} = \frac{0.25}{10} = 0.025$$

$$\text{Limiting error in Percentage} = 0.025 \times 100\% = 2.5\% \#$$

- ② $L = 20 H \pm 5\%$, determine the limits of inductance

$$\text{relative error } \epsilon_r = \frac{\text{Percentage error}}{100} = \frac{5}{100} = 0.05 \quad \text{Solution}$$

$$\text{Limiting Value of inductance } A = A_m \pm \delta A$$

$$= A_m \pm \epsilon_r A_m$$

$$= A_m (1 \pm \epsilon_r)$$

$$= 20 (1 \pm 0.05)$$

$$= 20 \pm 1 H \#$$

3 0-250V Voltmeter, E_r of instrument = 2%

$A_m = 150V$ determine limiting error in Percentage

E_r of instrument = 2% = $\frac{2}{100} = 0.02$ Solution

$$E_r = \frac{\Delta A}{A}$$

$$\Delta A = E_r \times A = 0.02 \times 250 = 5V$$

Measured Value (A_m) = 150V

$$\therefore \text{Limiting error of this Voltage} = \frac{\Delta A}{A_m} = \frac{5}{150} = 0.0333$$

$$\text{Percentage limiting error} = 0.0333 \times 100\% = 3.33\% \#$$

4 $A_m = 10.25 \Omega$ & $A = 10.22 \Omega$ determine the absolute error of the instrument.

Solution

$$(\text{absolute error}) \Delta A = A_m - A = 10.25 - 10.22 = 0.03 \Omega \#$$

5 $A_m = 205.3 \mu F$ & $A = 201.4 \mu F$ determine relative error E_r Solution

$$E_r = \frac{\Delta A}{A}$$

$$\Delta A = A_m - A = 205.3 - 201.4 = 3.9 \mu F$$

$$\therefore E_r = \frac{3.9 \times 10^{-6} F}{201.4 \times 10^{-6}} = 0.0194$$

$$E_r\% = 0.0194 \times 100\% = 1.94\% \#$$

6 $A_m = 25.34 \text{ watt}$, $E_p = \Delta A = -0.11 \text{ watt}$ determine true value

$$\Delta A = A_m - A$$

$$\therefore A = A_m - \Delta A = 25.34 - (-0.11) = 25.45W \#$$

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