

**Northeastern University
Electrical and Computer Engineering Department**

ECE U210

Electrical Engineering (4QH)

Spring Semester

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Course Description:

The course introduces the basic concepts related to circuits and circuit elements: current, voltage, and power; resistors, capacitors, and inductors; and circuit analysis using Kirchhoff's laws, nodal and mesh methods. We also discuss selected topics that illustrate a variety of applications of electrical engineering, such as AC circuits and electric power, transients in circuits with energy storage, digital signals, logic circuits, and some basic concepts of computer operations, specifically number coding, arithmetic operations, and memory circuits.

Textbooks: Introduction to Electrical Engineering by Mulukutla Sarma
(Publisher: Oxford University) 2001

Grading Format: Homework assignments: 30%
Midterm Exam (TBA): 30%
Final Exam (TBA): 40%

Homework assignments

Assignment 1 Read: Ch. 1.1 Problems: 1.1.1, 1.1.2, 1.1.4*, 1.1.7, 1.1.11, 1.1.20

Due: Jan 15th

* particularly challenging and will be awarded with extra credit

Topics include:

Charge and Electric Force

Conductors and Insulators

Current and Magnetic Force

Electric Potential and Voltage

Energy and Power

Sources and Loads

Wave Forms

Assignment 2 Read: Ch. 1.2

Problems: 1.2.5, 1.2.6, 1.2.7, 1.2.8, 1.2.9, 1.2.13(a),

1.2.14, 1.2.18, 1.2.19

Due: Feb 5th

Lumped Circuit Elements

Resistance

Maximum Power Transfer

Assignment 3 Read: Ch. 1.3

Problems: 1.3.1, 1.3.2, 1.3.5, 1.3.6, 1.3.10

Assigned; Feb. 5th

Due: Feb. 12th (due in one week)

Kirchhoff's Laws

KCL

KVL

Assignment 4 Read Ch. 2.1, 2.2

Problems: 2.1.1, 2.1.2, 2.1.3, 2.2.2, 2.2.4, 2.2.9,

2.2.10

Assigned: Feb. 5th

Due: Feb. 19th

Thevenin and Norton Equivalent Circuits

Node Voltage Method

Mesh Current Method

Note:

Superposition (if time permits)

Wye-Delta transformations (if time permits)

