ECE 204: Intro to Electrical Engineering

Mathematical Skills
- Apply rules and hand-calculate with complex numbers in rectangular, polar, and trigonometric forms
- Solve n x n system of equations
- Represent answer with significant figures
- Differentiate and integrate sinusoidal and exponential functions
- Add vectors

DC Circuit Analysis
- Knows basics of DC circuit concepts:
  - Current, charge, power, energy, Ohm’s Law, KCL, KVL
  - Calculate equivalent resistance
  - Identify series and parallel elements

Concepts:
• Current, charge, power and energy
• Absorbing and supplying power
• KCL, KVL, Voltage and current divider
• Thevenin and Norton equivalents
• DC Circuit solving techniques
• \( R_{eq}, L_{eq}, C_{eq} \)
• Independent sources
• First order circuits
• Phasor representation of current and voltage
• Equivalence between time and frequency domain
• Sinusoidal steady-state analysis
• Complex power, Instantaneous and average power, apparent power, pf, pf correction
• Effective (RMS) values
• Balanced three-phase circuits
• Operational amplifiers
• Diodes
• Transistors
• Boolean algebra and logic circuits
• Truth table
• Binary number system
• Ones and twos complement
• Addition, subtraction and multiplication of binary numbers
• Logic gate circuit diagrams
• DeMorgan’s Law

Circuit Basics
- Knows basic circuit laws and properties
- Understands difference and application of different circuit elements: R, L, C, OpAmp, Diodes, Transistors
- Knows properties of independent sources
- Understands operation of first and second order circuits
- Derive characteristic equation, determine type of response and find total response of a circuit

DC and AC Circuit Analysis
- Use node analysis to analyze circuits with independent sources
- Apply superposition, source transformation, Thevenin and Norton theorems
- Knows how to accomplish max power transfer
- Calculate instantaneous and average power
- Understands the difference between maximum and RMS value and can apply correct formulas
- Understands principles of power factor correction
- Use PQS triangle

1st Order Circuits
- Calculate steady state
- Calculate response of a first order circuit

Three Phase Circuits
- Knows configuration of three-phase circuits
- Evaluate if a system is balanced or unbalanced
- Solve for V, I P in balances 3-phase system

OpAmps, Diodes, Transistors
- Solve simple circuits with the above elements
- Identify non-linear circuit elements
- Identify operating regions of diode and transistor characteristics

Boolean, Logic, Binary
- Write expressions for simple logic circuits
- Make a truth table for given expression
- Decimal and hexadecimal to binary, and vice versa
- Knows basic operations with binary numbers
- Apply DeMorgan’s Law to transform simple logic circuits

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Pre-requisites
- MATH 161; PH 142

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