



ETA CETa Exam Common Formulas

Potential Divider

As the name says, we divide the potential or reduce the voltage in a circuit with help of potential divider.

$$V_{out} = V_{in} * R_2 / (R_1 + R_2)$$

Current Divider

It is used to redirect current flowing in a circuit.

$$I_{out} = I_{in} * R_1 / (R_1 + R_2)$$

Balanced Wheatstone Bridge

A bridge used to measure resistances.

$$(R_1 / R_2) = (R_3 / R_4)$$

Voltage gain in decibels

$$\text{Gain dB} = 20 \log (V_{out} / V_{in})$$

Ratio of 2 power levels in decibels

$$\text{Gain dB} = 20 \log (V_{out} / V_{in})$$

Resonant frequency

$$F_R = .159 / \sqrt{LC}$$

$P = I * E$, the power being dissipated by the resistor is a product of the current and the applied voltage.

Resistors in series

$$R = R_1 + R_2 + R_3...$$

Resistors in parallel

$$1 / R = (1 / R_1) + (1 / R_2) + (1 / R_3)...$$

The resistance of a conductor at a temperature, t, is given by the equation: $R_t = R_0(1 + \alpha t + \beta t^2 + \gamma t^3)$ where α , β , γ are constants and R_0 is the resistance at 0°C. Note that β & γ are very small hence they can be neglected.

Therefore above equation simplifies to: $R_t = R_0(1 + \alpha t)$ where α = temperature coefficient of resistance.

Inductors connected in series

$$L = L_1 + L_2 + L_3 +...$$

Inductors connected in parallel

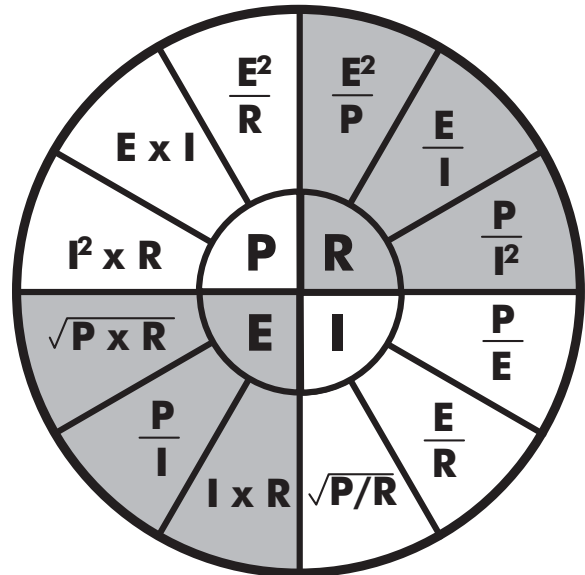
$$1 / L = (1 / L_1) + (1 / L_2)...$$

Reactance of inductors

$$X_L = 2 * \pi * f * L$$

where X_L is reactance, f is frequency, and L is inductance

Ohm's Law



E = Voltage I = Current
P = Power R = Resistance

Current flowing in a Capacitor

The current flowing in a capacitor is proportional to the product of the capacitance, C , and the rate of change of applied voltage.

$$i = C \times (\text{rate of change of voltage} [d * V / d * t])$$

How to Compute Charge or Quantity of Electricity

$$Q = C * V$$

where Q is the charge (in coulombs), C is the capacitance (in farads), and V is the potential difference (in volts).

Energy Storage in a Capacitor

$$W = \frac{1}{2} C * V^2$$

where W is the energy (in Joules), C is the capacitance (in Farads), and V is the potential difference (in Volts).

Capacitors connected in parallel

$$C = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 +...$$

Capacitors connected in series

$$1 / C = (1 / C_1) + (1 / C_2)...$$

Reactance of capacitors

$$X_C = 1 / (2 * \pi * f * C)$$