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Different Waveforms, Corresponding RMS values

Objective:

- 1. To observe peak and RMS values of different Waveforms.
- 2. To compare DC and AC value.

1. Peak and RMS Values of AC Signals (60 Points)

Procedure:

- 1. Using signal generator generate a 250 Hz; 6 Volt peak-to-peak **Sine wave** (where f=250 Hz). Observe the waveform on Oscilloscope (on CH1) when Volt/Div=1 Volt and Time/Div=1 msec (millisecond).
- 2. Draw the signal observed on the Oscilloscope on Figure 1.



Time/Div=1 msec

Figure 1: Plot of sinusoidal waveforms.

3. Increase the frequency to 500 Hz. Plot the new signal over the first plot (Figure 1).

Volt/Div=1 Volt

4. Using a multi meter (in AC voltage measurements) find the <u>RMS</u> value for the Sine waves for both cases. (In AC measurements, the multi meter shows the <u>RMS</u> value for the signal)

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V_{RMS} (first signal) = V_{rMS}
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- V_{RMS} (second signal) =
- **5.** Using signal generator generate a 250 Hz; 6 Volt peak-to-peak **triangular wave**. Observe the waveform on Oscilloscope (on CH1) when Volt/Div=1 Volt and Time/Div=1 msec.
- 6. Draw the signal observed on the Oscilloscope on Figure 2.



Volt/Div=1 Volt

Figure 2: Plot of triangular waveforms.

- **7.** Now increase the frequency to 500 Hz. Plot the new signal over the first plot (Figure 2).
- 8. Using multi meter (in AC voltage measurements) find the <u>RMS</u> value for the triangular waves for both cases. (In AC measurements, the multi meter shows the <u>RMS</u> value for the signal)

 V_{RMS} (first signal) = V_{RM}

 V_{RMS} (second signal) =

- **9.** Using signal generator give a 250 Hz; 6 Volt peak-to-peak **square wave**. Observe the waveform on Oscilloscope (on CH1) when Volt/Div=1 Volt and Time/Div=1 msec (milisecond).
- **10.** Draw the signal observed on the Oscilloscope on Figure 3.
- **11.** Now increase the frequency to 500 Hz. Draw the signal over the first plot (Figure 3).



12. Using multimeter (in AC voltage measurements) find the <u>RMS</u> value for the square waves for both cases. (In AC measurements, the multi meter shows the <u>RMS</u> value for the signal)

V_{RMS} (first signal)=

V_{RMS} (second signal)=

Questions:

• Explain the difference (if any) between RMS values of different signals.

2. Comparison of DC and AC mode of multi meters (40 Points)

Procedure:

1. Set up the circuit in the Figure 4.



Figure 4: The circuit diagram.



- 2. Adjust $V_{AC}(t) = 2Sin(2\pi ft)$ Volt, where f=1000 Hz (V_{AC}(t) will be provided using the AC Function Generator) and $V_{DC} = 2$ Volt DC (V_{DC} will be provided using DC power supply).
- 3. Connect CH 1 of the Oscilloscope as in the Figure 4.
- **4.** Draw the waveforms observed over CH 1 (on the Oscilloscope) in DC and AC mode at Figure 5 and Figure 6 respectively. For your observations over the oscilloscope select Volt/Div=0.5 Volt, Time/Div= 0.5 msec (milisecond).



Figure 5: CH1 in DC mode.

Figure 6: CH1 in AC mode.

5. Change the Volt/Div= 0.2 Volt and Time/Div= 0.2 msec.

6. Draw the waveforms observed over CH 1 (on the Oscilloscope) in DC mode and AC mode at Figures 7 and 8 respectively.



Figure 7: CH1 in DC mode.

Figure 8: CH1 in AC mode.

- 7. Change the $V_{AC}(t) = 4Sin(2\pi ft)$ Volt by keeping $V_{DC} = 2$ Volt DC (choose Volt/Div= 0.5 Volt and Time/Div= 0.5 msec.)
- **8.** Draw the waveforms observed over CH 1 (on the Oscilloscope) in DC mode and AC mode respectively at Figures 9 and 10.

Figure 9: CH1 in DC mode.



Figure 10: CH1 in AC mode.

Questions:

• Explain the difference (if any) between DC and AC mode values.