### USING THE OSCILLOSCOPE AND FUNCTION GENERATOR

# **OBJECTIVE**

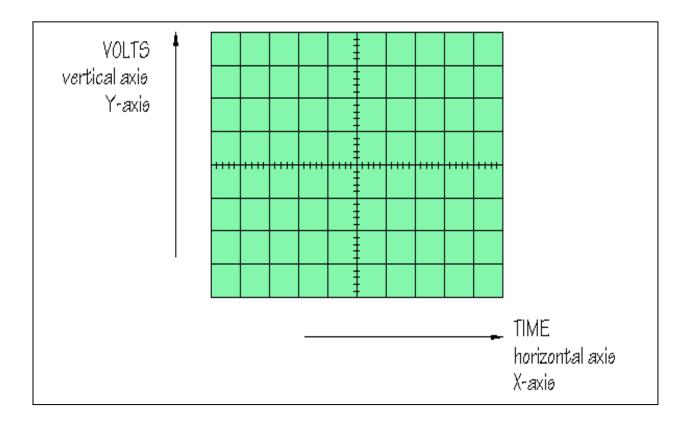
- 1. To learn how to use an oscilloscope to measure and analyze voltage signals.
- 2. To learn how to use the Function Generator to output voltage signals and analyze the signals with an oscilloscope.

### **THEORY**(???)

# **Oscilloscope**

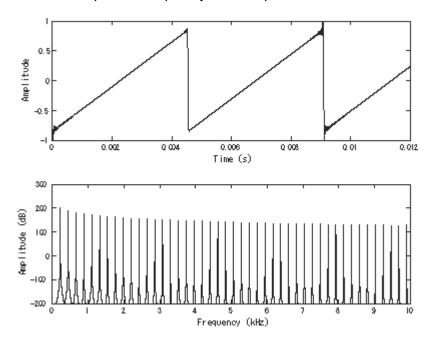
An oscilloscope is a very important instrument in electronics where its main function is to measure potential differences (voltage) in a circuit. Simply stated an oscilloscope is just another voltmeter.

An oscilloscope will measure voltage as a function of time. It can be set to measure voltage vs. voltage for two different signals. For our purpose we will be measuring Voltage vs. time.



# **Function Generator**

As the name indicates, a function generator generates a function (signal). A particular signal can be important in different types of circuits and thus its important that you can analyze any particular signal. If the signal is periodic then its important that we can analyze the signal in terms of its period, frequency, and amplitude.

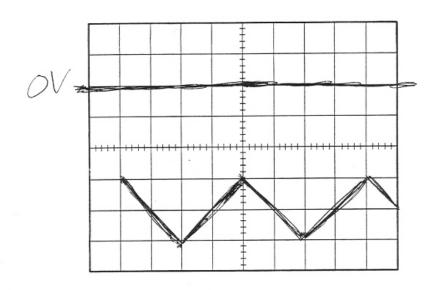


#### **EQUIPMENT**

- 1. Fluke Analog Oscilloscope
- 2. BNC-to-BNC cables
- 3. HP Function Generator
- 4. 2 dry cell batteries

# **PROCEDURE**

- 1. Select an oscilloscope.
- 2. On the PHYSICS 4B MANUAL read "EXPERIMENT 6: THE FLUKE PM 3084 ANALOG OSCILLOSCOPE".
- 3. Follow the procedure to understand how to analyze and display the calibration signal of oscilloscope.
- 4. Calculate the period, frequency, and amplitude of the calibration signal. Calculate the % error for the frequency and amplitude.
- 5. Measure the voltage across two dry cell batteries using the oscilloscope and a voltmeter. Compare results.
- 6. Read the handout "EXPERIMENT 7: EVALUATION OF THE HP FUNCTION GENERATOR" to learn how to use the Function Generator and analyze the output signal using the oscilloscope. Output a sine signal of approximate amplitude of 10V with a frequency of 1 KHz. Calculate the period, frequency, and amplitude using the oscilloscope. Calculate the % error for the frequency.
- 7. Take the Oscilloscope Quiz and check your answers with solution!



 $Volts/cm = \frac{\int m \sqrt{m}}{m}$  Seconds/cm =  $\frac{\int m \sqrt{m}}{m}$ 

ground position: SHOWN

Period (T) = \_\_\_\_\_

frequency (f) = \_\_\_\_\_

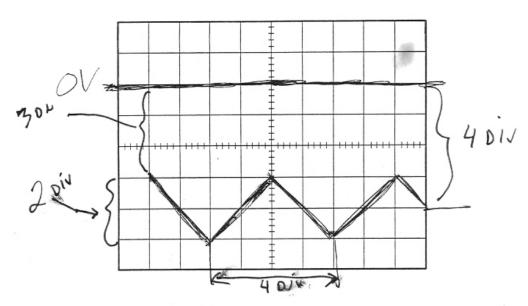
DC offset = \_\_\_\_

trigger level = \_\_\_\_\_

slope: \_\_\_\_\_

signal form: \_\_\_\_\_

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 $Volts/cm = \frac{1}{2} \frac$ 

ground position: 540WN

Period (T) =  $\frac{20 \mu S}{}$ 

frequency (f) = 50 kHz

DC offset = -4mV

trigger level = -3mV

slope:

signal form: triangle