## Concepts of Experiments at Future Colliders II

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# Fundamentals of electronic readout of particle detectors

# Introductory example: cylindrical drift tube



#### Derivation of the Shockley-Ramo theorem

- Theorem about the current induced on an electrode by a moving charge *q*.
- Derivation using an electrostatic approximation, i.e. neglecting the magnetic field created by the moving charge.
- If we know the electric field of the configuration depicted above, we can compute the charge density on the electrode and how it changes when the charge q is moving.
- As shown by Shockley and Ramo one does not need to know the exact form of this field, but just some of its properties.

## Shockley-Ramo theorem for a cylindrical drift tube

$$rot \vec{E} = 0$$
, hence  $\vec{E} = \nabla \phi$ .  
 $\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = -\Delta \phi = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$ .

Electrodes are conductors  $\Rightarrow \phi = {\rm const}$  on the surfaces of the electrodes. Configuration 1: q=0

• Electric field 
$$E_{q=0}$$
, potential  $\phi_{q=0}$ .

• 
$$\phi_0|_{anode wire} = U_0, \ \phi_0|_{tube wall} = 0$$

•  $-\Delta \phi_0 = 0$  between the electrodes, i.e. within the gas volume.

Configuration 2:  $q \neq 0$ , all electrodes grounded

• 
$$\phi_q|_{anode wire} = 0, \ \phi_q|_{tube wall} = 0$$
  
•  $-\Delta \phi_q = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_q).$ 

Configuration 3:  $q \neq 0$ ,  $\phi|_{anode wire} = U_0$ ,  $\phi|_{tube wall} = 0$ 

• 
$$\phi = \phi_0 + \phi_q$$
.  
•  $-\Delta \phi = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0} \delta(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_q)$  with  $q \neq 0$ ,  $\phi|_{anode \ wire} = U_0$ 

## Shockley-Ramo theorem for a cylindrical drift tube

Green's second identity

$$\int_{V} \left( \phi_0 \nabla^2 \phi_q - \phi_q \nabla^2 \phi_0 \right) dV = \int_{\partial V} \left( \phi_0 \nabla \phi_q - \phi_q \nabla \phi_0 \right) \cdot d\vec{S}.$$

#### Choice of V

Volumne between the electrodes without a small ball  $B_{\epsilon}(\vec{x}_q)$  around q. Consequences

• 
$$\phi_0, \phi_q = 0$$
 in  $\nabla \Rightarrow \int_V (\phi_0 \nabla^2 \phi_q - \phi_q \nabla^2 \phi_0) dV = 0.$   
•  $\int_{\partial V} (...) \cdot d\vec{S} = \int_{wire} + \int_{wall} + \int_{\partial B_{\epsilon}(\vec{x}_q)} (...) \cdot d\vec{S}.$   
•  $0 = U_0 \int_{wire} \nabla \phi_q \cdot d\vec{S} + \phi(\vec{x}_q) \int_{\partial B_{\epsilon}(\vec{x}_q)} \nabla \phi_q \cdot d\vec{S} + \phi_q(\partial B_{\epsilon}(\vec{x}_q)) \int_{\partial B_{\epsilon}(\vec{x}_q)} \nabla \phi_0 \cdot d\vec{S}.$   
• Hence with  $\vec{E_{0/q}} = -\nabla \phi_{0/q}$  we get  $U_0 Q_{wire} = -q\phi_0(\vec{x}_q).$ 

$$I_{wire} = rac{dQ_{wire}}{dt} = -qrac{1}{U_0}
abla \phi_0(ec{x}_q) \cdot rac{dec{x}_q}{dt}.$$

#### Theorem

The induced current I by a given electrode due to the movement of a charge  $\boldsymbol{q}$  equals

$$I = E_v q v$$

where v is the instantaneous velocity of the charge and  $E_v$  is the component in the direction v of that electric field which would exist at the charge's position under the following circumstances: charge removed, given electrode raised to unite potential, all other electrodes grounded.

#### Consequences

- Avalanche electrons give a large, but very short current because of their small drift distance to the anode wire.
- Ions give currents over a longer time interval. As they are created close to the anode wire, I is initially large and becomes smaller with the drift towards the tube wall.

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- Particle detectors provide current or voltage pulses, which contain information about particle passage or deposited energy.
- To obtain this information, they must be processed electronically.

Analog signal: Information contained in the continuous variation of electrical signal properties, e.g., pulse height, pulse duration, or pulse shape.

Digital signal: Information stored in discrete form.

Example. TTL (Transistor-Transistor Logic): Logical 0: Signal between 0 and 0.8 V. Logical 1: Signal between 2 V and 5 V.

Advantage of a digital signal: No information loss with small signal disturbances.

## Characteristics of a signal pulse



Slow Signal:  $t_A \gtrsim 100$  ns. Fast Signal:  $t_A \lesssim 1$  ns.

## Deformed rectangular pulse



## Fourier decomposition of a signal

Temporal evolution of a signal: s(t). Fourier transform:  $\hat{s}(\omega)$ .

Example of an ideal rectangular pulse



#### Attenuation



Bandwidth



#### Drude's model of electrical conduction in metals

Metals are electrical conductors. In an ideal conductor, the conduction electrons experience no resistance. In a real conductor, they collide with the atomic nuclei.

#### Assumptions

- Neglect of interaction between the conduction electrons.
- Free electron motion between collisions with atomic nuclei.
  - Non-accelerated motion in between collisions.
- Elastic collisions between conduction electrons and atomic nuclei. The conduction electrons are not heated by the collisions.

## Electron movement in the Drude model

Equation of motion of a conduction electron:

$$m_e \cdot \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = -e\vec{E}.$$

 $\tau :$  Average time between two collisions off atoms.

$$\langle \vec{v} \rangle = -\frac{e}{m_e} \vec{E} \cdot \tau + \underbrace{\langle \vec{v}_0 \rangle}_{=0 \ (in \ therm. \ equ.)} = -\frac{e}{m_e} \tau \cdot \vec{E}.$$

- n: Conduction electron density.
- L: Length of the real conductor.
- A: Cross section of the real conductor.

$$dQ = -n \cdot e |\vec{v}| \cdot dt \cdot A \iff I = \frac{dQ}{dt} = -nev \cdot A = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m_e} \cdot A \cdot E.$$
Hence
$$\vec{j} = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m_e} \cdot \vec{E} =: \sigma \cdot \vec{E}.$$

$$\sigma: \text{ electric conductivity.}$$

Voltage between the ends of the conductor:

$$U = L \cdot \underbrace{E}_{=\frac{I}{\sigma \cdot A}} = \frac{L}{\sigma \cdot A} \cdot I =: R \cdot I \text{ (Ohm's Law)}.$$

Ohmic resistance

$$R = \frac{L}{\sigma \cdot A} =: \rho \cdot \frac{L}{A}.$$

 $\rho$ : specific resistance (unit:  $\Omega$ cm).

Schematic symbols for an ohmic resistance:

## Passive electronic components – capacitance

$$C = \frac{Q}{U} \Rightarrow$$
 No current flow at DC voltage.

Current flow at AC voltage:

$$\frac{dU}{dt} = \frac{\frac{dQ}{dt}}{C} = \frac{I}{C}.$$

Transition to frequency representation:

$$U(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{U}(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega, \ I(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{I}(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega.$$

$$\frac{dU}{dt} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} i\omega \hat{U}(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega = \frac{I(t)}{C} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{C} \hat{I}(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega,$$

leading to  $i\omega \hat{U}(\omega) = \frac{1}{C}\hat{I}(\omega)$ , thus  $\left| \hat{U}(\omega) = \frac{1}{i\omega C}\hat{I}(\omega) \right|$ .

## Capacitance – impedance and schematic symbol

$$\hat{U}(\omega) = \frac{1}{i\omega C} \hat{I}(\omega).$$

Impedance:  $Z_C = \frac{1}{i\omega C}$ .

Schematic symbol:

#### Reminder: Field inside an ideal coil

 $\frac{dN}{dl}$ : Number of turns per unit length. Ampére's law:



$$\oint_{\Gamma} \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = l \cdot B = \mu_0 \cdot I \cdot \frac{dN}{dl} \cdot l.$$
$$B = \mu_0 \frac{dN}{dl} \cdot I =: \frac{1}{4} L \cdot I.$$

*A*: Cross-sectional area of the coil. *L*: Inductance.

## Ideal toroidal coil



- $\circ$  *B* exists only inside the coil.
- If the coil is made of an ideal conductor,  $\vec{E}$  inside the conductor is 0. Otherwise, an infinitely large current would flow through the conductor.

 $\Rightarrow U_{ab} = 0.$ 

• With alternating current, because  $\frac{dI}{dt} \neq 0$ ,  $\frac{\partial B}{\partial t} \neq 0$ , resulting in a non-zero electromotive force.

curl 
$$\vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$
.

$$U_{ab} = \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_{A} \text{curl } \vec{E} d\vec{A} = -\int_{A} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \cdot d\vec{A} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} B \cdot A = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{1}{A} LIA = -L\frac{dI}{dt}$$

In the frequency domain, we have  $\hat{U}(\omega)=-i\omega L\hat{I}(\omega)$  .

## Inductance – impedance and circuit symbol

$$\hat{U}(\omega) = -i\omega L\hat{I}(\omega).$$

Impedance:  $Z_L = -i\omega L$ .

Circuit Symbol: – (DIN) – (USA)

Remark. In the frequency domain, the behavior of a circuit containing the mentioned passive elements can be calculated in a similar manner to a circuit containing ohmic resistances, by using impedances.

#### Explanatory example: signal transmission via a coaxial cable



Due to their shielding, coaxial cables do not emit electromagnetic waves. However, they can intercept electromagnetic interference from the surroundings through their shielding.

## Signal propagation in a coaxial cable

Equivalent circuit diagram for a  $\Delta z$  length segment of a coaxial cable



R, L, C,  $\frac{1}{G}$  represent resistance, inductance, capacitance, and conductance per uni t length, respectively.

 $\Delta I$  In an ideal cable, R and G are both equal to 0.

Derivation of the general wave equation for a coaxial cable

$$\Delta U = -(R \cdot \Delta z) \cdot I - (L \cdot \Delta z) \cdot \frac{\partial I}{\partial t}.$$
  
$$\Delta I = -(G \cdot \Delta z) \cdot U - (C \cdot \Delta z) \cdot \frac{\partial U}{\partial t}.$$

Dividing by  $\Delta z$  and taking the limit as  $\Delta z \rightarrow 0$  yields

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial z} = -R \cdot I - L \cdot \frac{\partial I}{\partial t},$$
$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial z} = -G \cdot U - C \cdot \frac{\partial U}{\partial t}.$$

## Wave equation for a coaxial cable

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial z} = -R \cdot I - L \cdot \frac{\partial I}{\partial t}, \quad |\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \cdot \frac{\partial I}{\partial z} = -G \cdot U - C \cdot \frac{\partial U}{\partial t}, \quad |\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \cdot \frac{\partial U}{\partial t}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial z^2} = -R \cdot \frac{\partial I}{\partial z} - L \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial t} I,$$
$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial z \partial t} I = -G \cdot \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} - C \cdot \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial t^2}.$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial z^2} = LC \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial t^2} + (LG + RC) \frac{\partial U}{\partial t} + RGU.$$

Ideal cable: R=0, G=0. 
$$\boxed{\frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial z^2} = LC \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial t^2}}$$
(Wave equation with  $v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$ ).

- In a real cable, G is very close to 0.
- In a real cable,  $R \neq 0$  leads to dispersion. In practice, the cables used are usually so short that dispersion can be neglected, so R = 0 can be assumed.

• 
$$L = \frac{\mu}{2\pi} \ln \frac{b}{a} \, [\text{H/m}], \ C = \frac{2\pi\epsilon}{\ln \frac{b}{a}} \, [\text{F/m}].$$
  

$$\Rightarrow v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu\epsilon}}.$$

Thus, the choice of dielectric determines v.

• Characteristic impedance:  $Z := \frac{dU}{dI} = \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$ . The characteristic impedance depends on the geometry of the cable, i.e., its inner and outer diameter as well as the dielectric used.

## Reflections at the ends of the cables



$$U(t,x) = f(x - vt) + g(x + vt),$$

representing an incoming + reflected wave.

Input signal:  $U_E$ ,  $I_E$ .  $Z = \frac{U_E}{I_E}$ . Reflected signal:  $U_R$ ,  $I_R$ ,  $Z = \frac{U_R}{I_R}$ . Voltage drop across the resistor R:  $U_E + U_R$ . Current through R:  $I_E + I_R$ .

$$\Rightarrow R = \frac{U_E + U_R}{I_E - I_R} = \frac{U_E \left(1 + \frac{U_R}{U_E}\right)}{I_E \left(1 - \frac{I_R}{I_E}\right)} = Z \frac{1 + \rho}{1 - \rho}$$

with the reflection coefficient  $\rho := \frac{U_R}{U_E} = \frac{I_R}{I_E}$ . It holds  $\rho = \frac{R-Z}{R+Z}$ .

- Open cable:  $R = \infty$ .  $\rho = 1$ . Complete reflection at the cable end.
- Short-circuited cable: R = 0.  $\rho = -1$ . Reflection with opposite amplitude.
- Terminated cable: R = Z.  $\rho = 0$ . No reflection.