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## PREFACE

#### **Intended Use**

*Delmar's Standard Textbook of Electricity,* 7th edition, is intended for students in electrical trade programs at high schools and community colleges, as well as those in industry training. It assumes that the reader has had no prior knowledge of electricity but also provides enough comprehensive coverage to be used as a reference tool for experienced electricians.

## **Subject and Approach**

The content itself is presented as a blend of the practical and theoretical. It not only explains the different concepts relating to electrical theory but also provides many practical examples of how to do many of the common tasks the industrial electrician must perform. An extensive art program containing full color photographs and line drawings, as well as the inclusion of practical exercises for the student, also serve to further clarify theoretical concepts.

## **Design of Text**

The subject matter has been divided into 35 separate units—each designed to "stand alone." The "stand-alone" concept permits the information to be presented in almost any sequence the instructor desires, as teaching techniques vary from one instructor to another. The information is also presented in this manner to allow students and instructors quick reference on a particular subject.

## Math Level

The math level has been kept to basic algebra and trigonometry, and Appendix B contains a section of electrical formulas—all divided into groups that are related to a particular application. Unit 14 of the text provides an introduction to basic trigonometry and vectors for those students weak in the subject.

## **A Note about Calculations**

Delmar's Standard Textbook of Electricity, 7th edition, like all other scientific texts, contains numerous mathematical equations and calculations. Students often become concerned if their answers to problems are not exactly the same as the solutions given in the text. The primary reason for a discrepancy is the rounding off of values. Different scientific calculators carry out numbers to different places, depending on the manufacturer and model. Some calculators carry numbers to 8 places, some to 10 places, and some to 12 places. There may also be times when numbers that are reentered into the calculator are carried to only 2 or 3 decimal places of accuracy. For example, the numbers shown below will be multiplied with a calculator that carries numbers out to 8 places of accuracy:

$$3.21\times34.6\times4.32\times0.021\times3.098\times0.467$$

The answer is 14.577480.

The same problem will again be multiplied, but this time each answer will be reentered before it is multiplied by the next number. Each time the answer is reentered, it will be rounded off to 3 places after the decimal. If the fourth number after the decimal is 5 or greater, the third decimal place will be rounded up. If the fourth number is less than 5, it will be rounded down. The answer is 14.577405.

The same set of numbers will again be multiplied, but this time each answer will be reentered after rounding off the number to one place after the decimal. The answer is 14.617100.

Notice that all three answers are different, but all three are essentially correct. The most accurate answer is 14.577480, and the least accurate answer is 14.617100. Although these answers may look substantially different, they are within approximately 1% of each other.

Another consideration is problems that contain multiple steps. The more steps it takes to solve a problem, the more chance there is for inaccuracy. In most instances in this text, the answers were left in the display of the calculator, which permits the greatest degree of accuracy. When numbers had to be re-entered, they were taken to 3 places of accuracy. When you work a problem in this text and your answer is different, consider the degree of difference before concluding that your answer is incorrect.

## **New to This Edition**

The seventh edition of *Delmar's Standard Textbook of Electricity* continues to remain true to the comprehensive nature and visually appealing style that are its trademark features but will now offer more emphasis on the practical approach to electrical theory. New to this edition:

- Updated graphics.
- Extended coverage of batteries to include AGM batteries.
- Added coverage of three-phase transformers to include connections for six-phase transformer connections.
- The previous-edition unit on filters has been revised to include more practical applications concerning surge, spike, and lightning protection.
- A new unit on motor installation in accord with the *NEC*. The unit concerns conductor selection, fuse or circuit-breaker sizing, and overload heater selection.

## **Features of the Text**

#### "Safety Overview"

At the beginning of Section I, Safety Overview provides information on general safety rules, personal protective equipment, potential job hazards, lock-out/tag-out procedures, GFCI, Grounding—and more! Students are acquainted with the all important safety concerns applicable to working in a lab and on the work site.

#### "Cautions"

Author highlights text where students should be aware of potential risks in working with various types of electrical equipment.

## CAUTION

The ammeter, unlike the voltmeter, is a very low-impedance device. The ammeter is used to measure current and must be connected in series with the load to permit the load to limit the current flow (Figure 9-13).

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#### Math Presentation

Section on vectors in Unit 16 is presented earlier in the text in Unit 14, *Basic Trigonometry*, providing a foundation for students as they work through math equations.

EXAME	PLE 14-3
Using the	e same triangle (Figure 14–7), determine the number of degrees in angle Y.
SOLUTION In this extended as the second seco	ON ample, the lengths of the hypotenuse and the adjacent side are known. The cosine functio sed to find the angle:
	cosine $\angle Y = 0.643$
To fin and B or	d what angle corresponds to the cosine of 0.643, use the trigonometric tables in Appendices, the COS function of a scientific calculator:
	$COS^{-1}$ or ARC COS 0.643 = 50°

#### 14–4 Formulas

Some formulas that can be used to find the angles and lengths of different sides follow:

Adj. = cos $\angle \theta \times$ Hyp.	
Opp = sin $\angle \theta \times$ Hyp.	

Opp. = Adj.  $\times$  tan  $\angle \theta$ 

#### 14–5 Practical Application

Although the purpose of this unit is to provide preparation for the study of AC circuits, basic trigonometry can provide answers to other problems that may be encountered on the job. Assume that it is necessary to know the height of a tall building (*Figure* 14–9). Now assume that the only tools available to make this measurement are a 1-foot ruler, a tape measure, and a scientific calculator. To make the measurement, find a relatively flat area in the open sunlight. Hold the ruler uright and measure the shadow cast by the sun (*Figure* 14–9). Assume the length of the shadow to be 7.5 inches. Using the length of the shadow as one side of a right triangle and the ruler as the other side, the angle

#### "Why You Need to Know"

This element at the beginning of each unit explains to students the importance of learning the material presented in each unit, and how it may apply to actual job situations.



#### "Practical Applications"

Word problems step the students through potential situations on the job and encourage them to develop critical thinking skills.

#### **PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS**

Industry often employs the use of an electromagnet to pick up metal objects. These large magnets are called round horseshoe magnets. They contain a center core surrounded by an outer core. A direct current winding of magnetic wire is wound around the center core. An illustration of a round horseshoe magnet that has been cut in half is shown in *Figure 4–21*. When direct current flows through the winding, the magnetic field produces the polarities as shown. The dimensions of the magnet are shown in *Figure 4–22*. It is assumed that the magnetic field developed has a flux density of 2 webers per square inch. Determine the maximum pulling force of the magnet.

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#### • Text Design

A fresh design creates a text that makes it even easier to navigate through content, serving to facilitate learning for students.

### New, Up-to-Date Art

Approximately 110 new four-color photos and line illustrations combined bring text up to date, keeping students aware of the latest technology in the industry.

### Dedication to Technical Accuracy and Consistency

Text was thoroughly reviewed for technical accuracy and consistency, ensuring existing errors were corrected, enabling students to readily grasp more difficult concepts.

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The lighting branch simulations are realistic and will give students the practical context to understand common electrical tasks. Students will have to choose cable types and wire individual conductors to make the circuits work properly. Circuits include a variety of single pole and 3-way switches.

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## **INTRODUCTION**

## **ELECTRICAL OCCUPATIONS** ORGANIZATION OF THE INDUSTRY

The electrical industry is one of the largest in the United States and Canada. In 2008, electricians held about 692,000 jobs. Electrical contracting firms employed about 65% of the wage and salaried workers. The remainder worked as electricians in other related industries. About 9% of the electricians were self-employed. The opportunity for employment and advancement as an electrician is one of the highest of any industry. Basically, the entire country runs on electricity. Industry, commercial locations, and homes all employ electricity as the main source of power. It has been estimated that between 2008 and 2018 the need for qualified electricians over the next 10 years. The lay-off rate of electricians is one of the lowest of any occupation. If industry operates, it will require electricians to keep it running.

## **Electrical Personnel**

Electricians can generally be divided into several categories, depending on their specific area of employment. Each of these categories may require special skills.

#### Construction

Electricians working in the construction industry generally require a basic knowledge of electrical theory and an extensive knowledge of *National Electrical Code*<sup>®</sup> requirements and wiring practices. Electricians in the construction area can generally be divided into helpers, journeymen, and masters. Many states require tests for journeymen and master levels.

#### + Industrial Electricians

Industrial electricians are generally concerned with maintaining equipment that has already been installed. Electricians in an industrial environment require an extensive knowledge of electrical theory and *National Electrical Code*<sup>®</sup> requirements for installation of motors, capacitor banks, and transformers. Industrial electricians should also possess a basic knowledge of electronics and electronic devices. Modern industry employs many electronic devices, such as variable frequency drives, solid state controls for direct current motors, and programmable logic controllers. Another area of concern for most industrial electricians is motor controls. Motor control systems are generally either relay logic or electronic in the form of programmable logic controllers or distributive control systems.

#### Instrumentation Technicians

Instrumentation technicians calibrate and maintain devices that sense such quantities as temperature, pressure, liquid level, flow rate, and others. These people should have an extensive knowledge of electrical theory, especially as it pertains to low-voltage and closed-loop systems.

#### Related Industries

The fields related to the electrical industry are too numerous to mention but include air conditioning and refrigeration, aircraft electronics, automotive, cable TV, broadcast media, energy and utilities, and home appliance and repair, as well as many, many others. The opportunity for employment in the electrical field is almost unlimited.

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## **Union and Nonunion Employees**

The largest percentage of electricians are nonunion employees. Many construction electricians receive training at various trade and technical schools. Some employers also sponsor apprenticeship programs. Apprenticeship-type programs generally require the electrician to work on the job as well as attend classes. The advantage to apprenticeship training is that it permits a person to earn money while he or she attends class. The disadvantage is that it can create an extremely busy schedule. Most industrial electricians, and those in related fields, require special training at a trade or technical school.

The largest electrician's union is the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW). The construction electricians who belong to the IBEW generally receive apprenticeship-type training for an organization called the National Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee (NJATC). Union electricians who work in related fields generally belong to unions organized for their particular industry, such as United Auto Workers or United Steel Workers.

Apprentices, whether union or nonunion, attend classes several hours a week and work on the job under the supervision of a journeyman. Most journeymen have completed their apprenticeship training and a set number of hours of practical work, and are required to pass an examination to become a journeyman. Journeymen work under the supervision of a master electrician. The master is ultimately responsible for the work performed and is answerable to the architect or owner. Most states require not only that a master pass a very rigorous examination but also be bonded for a particular sum of money, depending on the size of the job he or she bids on.

#### **Ethics**

Probably the greatest document concerning ethical behavior was given to a man named Moses on top of a mountain several thousand years ago and is called the Ten Commandments. Ethics are the principles by which behavior is judged to be right or wrong. There is an old saying stating that the best advertisement is word of mouth. This type of advertisement, however, can be a two-edged sword. People who do poor work, charge for work that was not done, make promises that are never kept, and cheat people at every opportunity gain a reputation that eventually catches up with them.

People who do an honest day's work for an honest wage, keep promises, and deal fairly with other people gain a reputation that will lead to success. Many years ago I worked for a man who had a business of rebuilding engines. He charged about twice the going rate of any other person in town and had more business than he could handle. I once asked him how he could charge more than anyone else and still have more business than anyone else. His answer was simple. He said, "There are two ways by which a business can be known. One is as the cheapest in town and the other is as the best in town. I'm the best in town." Most people are willing to pay more for a person that has a reputation for doing quality work and dealing honestly with customers.

#### Appearance

Appearance plays a major role in how a person is perceived. The old saying that first impressions are the most important is true. This doesn't mean that formal office attire is required to make a good impression on a prospective customer, but a professional person is expected to look professional. A person who wears clean work clothes and drives a relatively clean vehicle makes a much better impression than someone who shows up in filthy clothes with shirttail hanging out and pants sagging almost to the knees.

## Communication

Communication skills are extremely important on any job. These skills can be divided into several areas such as speaking, listening, and writing.

**Speaking:** Speaking well is probably one of the most important skills for obtaining a successful career in any field. Generally, one of the first impressions you make concerns your ability to speak properly. Even though slang is widely used among friends, family, and the media, a person who uses proper English gives the impression of being educated, informed, and professional.

The ability to speak also involves communicating with people on the job, whether that person is a journeyman or an employer. The ability to explain clearly how a job was done or why it was done a certain way is also important, as it is often necessary to communicate with people who have no knowledge of the electrical field. The ability to explain to a homeowner why a receptacle or switch should or should not be placed in a particular location is important.

**Listening:** Listening is probably the most understated skill concerning communication. You should not only listen to what a person wants but also make sure you *understand* what he or she is saying. Not understanding what a person wants can lead to extremely costly mistakes. The most costly work is that which has to be redone because of a misunderstanding. An example of how misunderstandings can lead to costly mistakes is shown in *Figure Occupations 1*.

**Writing:** Many jobs require the electrician to fill out work reports that can include a description of the job, the materials used, and the time required to complete the job. This is especially true of a person in charge of other workers, such as a journeyman.

Maintenance electricians in an industrial environment generally submit a report on the maintenance performed on a particular machine. The report commonly includes the particular machine, the problem encountered, the materials necessary for repair, and the time spent in troubleshooting and repair.

## Working on a Team

Teamwork is essential on most construction jobs. The typical construction job may include people that pour the concrete foundation; carpenters; brick masons; stone masons; plumbers; landscapers; people that install flooring and carpet; air-conditioning and refrigeration contractors; and, of course, electricians. One of the key elements to a successful team effort is communication. If conduit is to be run under the slab, it is better to communicate with the people doing the foundation and inform them that conduit needs to be run before the slab is poured.

Be respectful of other trades. If an electrical outlet box is in the way of a sewer line, the plumber may ask that it be moved. It is much easier to move an outlet box than it is to reroute a sewer line. If electrical boxes are to be placed in an outside brick wall, ask the brick mason how he would like the box to be placed. A little respect for other trades plus communication can solve many problems before they happen.

If possible, help other people. If you are already in an attic and the air-conditioning contractor asks whether you would be willing to do a small job that would save him time and effort, it is good working relations to do so. Grudges and hard feelings do not happen in a work setting where kindness is practiced.



FIGURE OCCUPATIONS 1 Listening to the customer can save money and time.

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## **Building Codes**

Many cities, counties, and states have their own building codes that supersede the *National Electrical Code*<sup>®</sup>. The *National Electrical Code*<sup>®</sup> is law only if the local authority has adopted it as law. Always check local codes before beginning a construction project. Local codes often specify the manner in which wiring is to be installed and the size or type of wire that must be used for a particular application.

## **Green Building**

"Green building" basically means making buildings more energy efficient. This can encompass many areas of the construction such as using "low E" energy-efficient windows, adding extra insulation, adding solar collectors to assist the water heater, and installing solar panels and/or wind generators to assist the electrical service. For the electrician, it may be installing larger wire than necessary to help overcome voltage drop, or installing energy-efficient appliances such as heat pump-type water heaters. These water heaters use about half the amount of power of a standard electric water heater. Energy-efficient appliances are generally identified by an Energy Star label. Energy Star is a government-backed symbol awarded to products that are considered energy efficient. Energy Star was established to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other pollutants caused by inefficient use of energy, and to aid consumers in identifying and purchasing energy-efficient products that will save money without sacrificing performance, features, or comfort.

Before a product can receive an Energy Star label, it must meet certain requirements set forth in Energy Star product specifications:



FIGURE OCCUPATIONS 2 Solar water heaters mounted on a roof.

- Product categories must produce significant energy savings nationwide.
- Qualified products must deliver the features and performance demanded by customers as well as increase energy efficiency.
- If the qualified product cost more than a conventional, less-efficient counterpart, purchasers must be able to recover their investment in increased energy efficiency through utility bill savings, within a reasonable period of time.
- Energy efficiency must be achievable through broadly available, nonproprietary technologies offered by more than one manufacturer.
- Product energy consumption and performance must be measurable and verified with testing.
- Labeling should effectively differentiate products and be clearly visible to purchasers.

## Solar Energy

One of the primary sources of green energy is solar power. Solar energy is the primary source of heating water in many countries and can be as simple as a dark colored container mounted on the roof of a structure, *Figure Occupations 2*. Other types of solar water heaters involve a solar collector, a

special tank that contains a heat exchanger, and related equipment, *Figure Occupations 3.* Most of these types of water heaters contain backup electric heating elements for cloudy weather when the solar collector cannot supply enough energy to heat the water.

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**FIGURE OCCUPATIONS 3** Some solar water heaters use a solar panel and special tank with a heat exchanger.

Some solar systems generate electricity and are generally called PV (photovoltaic) systems. In these types of systems solar panels are mounted on the roof of a dwelling or in an open area on the ground, *Figure Occupations 4.* Photovoltaic cells generate direct current, which must be changed into alternating current by an inverter, *Figure Occupations 5.* The home remains connected to the utility company at all times. The solar panels augment the incoming power to help reduce the energy supplied by the utility company. There are various methods of supplying power to the utility company, depending on the requirements of the utility company and state laws. Some systems cause the electric meter to run backward during times that the solar panels are producing more energy than is being supplied by the utility company. Other systems require the use of two separate meters, *Figure Occupations 6.* One records the amount of power supplied by the utility company and the other records the amount of power supplied by the solar cells. The utility company then purchases the power from the homeowner or in some cases gives the homeowner credit for the amount of power generated. Other systems employ batteries to store the electricity produced by the solar panels. An uninterruptable power supply (UPS) converts the direct current into alternating current. In the event of a power failure, the UPS continues to supply power from the storage batteries.

The amount of electricity produced by the solar panels is directly proportional to the intensity of sunlight striking the panels. The graph shown in *Figure Occupations* 7 illustrates the power output over a 24-hour period. The information was gathered during the month of March. Solar cells have a very long life span, generally considered to be 50 years or more. Most manufacturers of solar panels cover the cells with a material that is designed to remain clear in direct sunlight and is strong enough to withstand the average hail storm. Solar panels connect cells in series and parallel to obtain the desired voltage and current capacity.

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FIGURE OCCUPATIONS 4 Solar panels are often mounted on the roof or in an open area.



**FIGURE OCCUPATIONS 5** Inverter changes the direct current produced by the solar cells into alternating current.



**FIGURE OCCUPATIONS 6** One meter records the power supplied by the utility company, and another records the amount of power supplied by the solar panels.

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