

The Oscilloscope

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The aim with this experiment is to get to use and to understand the oscilloscope, and to see what we have learned about different signals, on a screen. We were supposed to use different kinds of signals, with different frequency and different current, and then be able to calculate frequency, the V_{MAX} and the V_{RMS} , from the image on the screen. So we used a waveform generator to create a wave, an oscilloscope to get an image of the wave, and a digital multimeter to measure the V_{RMS} .

So, here is a short summary of what we did.

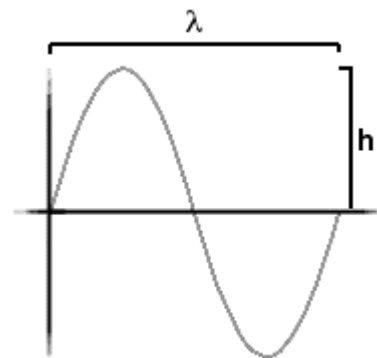
$$h = 2.8 \text{ cm}$$

$$\lambda = 2.85 \text{ cm}$$

$$V_{MAX} = h * 1V / \text{div} = 2.8 * 1 = 2.8 \text{ V}$$

And,

$$f = 1 / T = 1 / (2.85 * 0.5 * 10^{-3}) = 689 \text{ Hz}$$



According to the waveform generator the frequency is 699 Hz, and that is acceptable.

When we measured the voltage, V_{RMS} , with the DMM it showed 1.57 V. The relation between V_{MAX} and V_{RMS} is:

$$V_{MAX} / V_{RMS} = \sqrt{2} \approx 1.41421$$

In my case $V_{MAX} / V_{RMS} = 1.43312 \rightarrow$ acceptable.