
Lecture 1 Instrument and Measurement Systems

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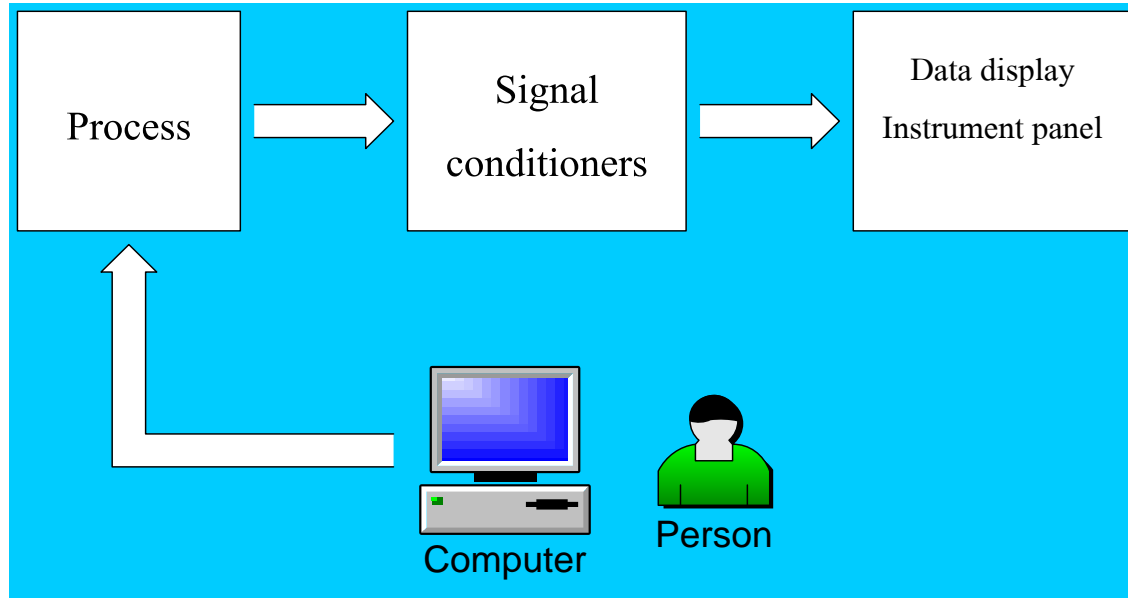
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Introduction

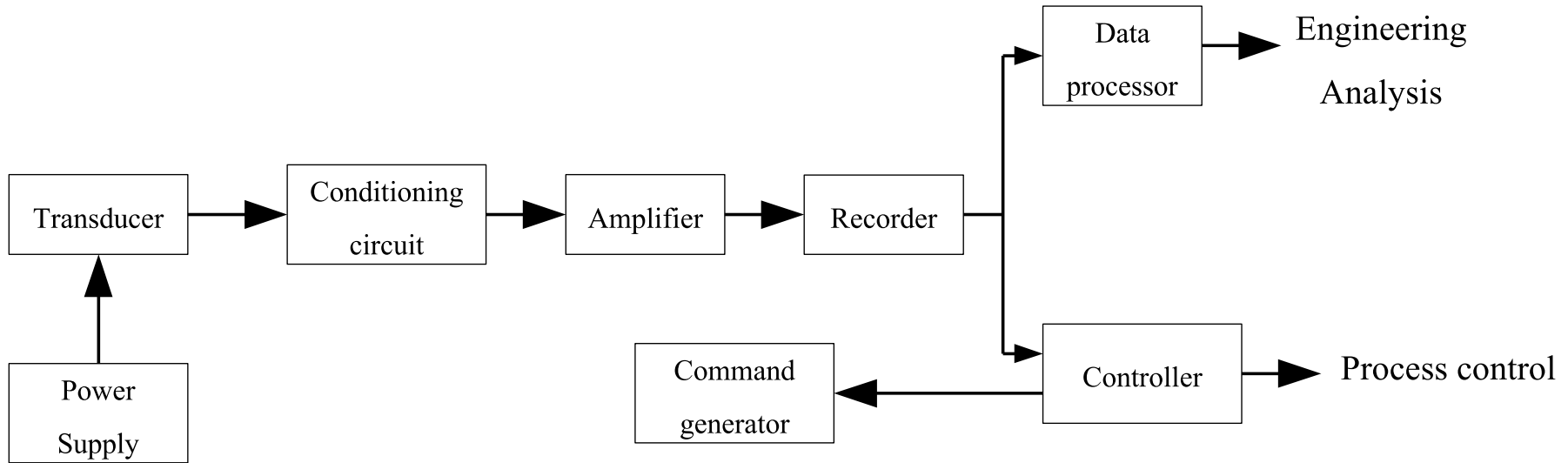
- Overview of Instrument and Measurement system
 - Analog and digital instrument
 - Measurement
 - Low voltage
 - High voltage
 - Sensor and transducer
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1. Process control system



ภาพที่ 1.1 Process control system

2. Electronic Instrument system



ภาพที่ 1.2 Electronic Instrument system in industrial

Analog and digital instrument

- Permanent-magnet Moving-Coil (PMMC)
 - Analog multimeter
 - Digital multimeter
 - Watt hour meter
 - Display Indicator
 - Moisture meter
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Multimeter



- Voltmeter
- Amp meter
- Ohmmeter
- Capacitance meter
- Inductance meter

ภาพที่ 1.3 analog and digital instrument

Multimeter



ภาพที่ 1.4 Analog high amp meter



ภาพที่ 1.5 Analog high amp meter

RPM meter



ภาพที่ 1.6 RPM meter application

- RPM meter in car
- PRM meter for speeded car

Mega Ohmmeter



- Measure material high ohm
- Correct amp technics

ภาพที่ 1.7 แสดงตัวอย่าง Mega Ohmmeter

Moisture meter



ภาพที่ 1.8 แสดงตัวอย่าง Moisture meter

Moisture meter



ภาพที่ 1.9 แสดงตัวอย่าง Moisture meter

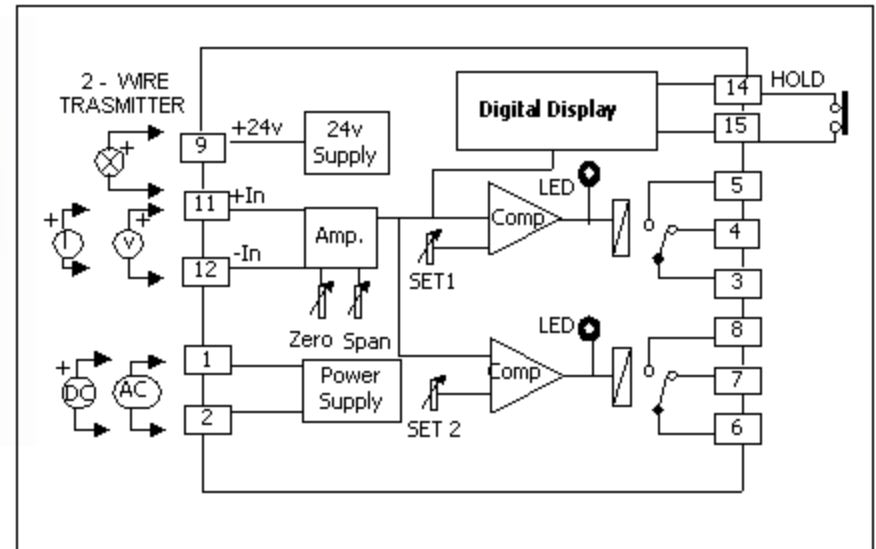
Watt hour meter



- Watt hour meter
- Digital display

ภาพที่ 1.10 แสดงตัวอย่าง Watt hour meter

Display indicator



ภาพที่ 1.11 แสดงตัวอย่าง Display indicator

ภาพที่ 1.12 แสดง diagram Display indicator

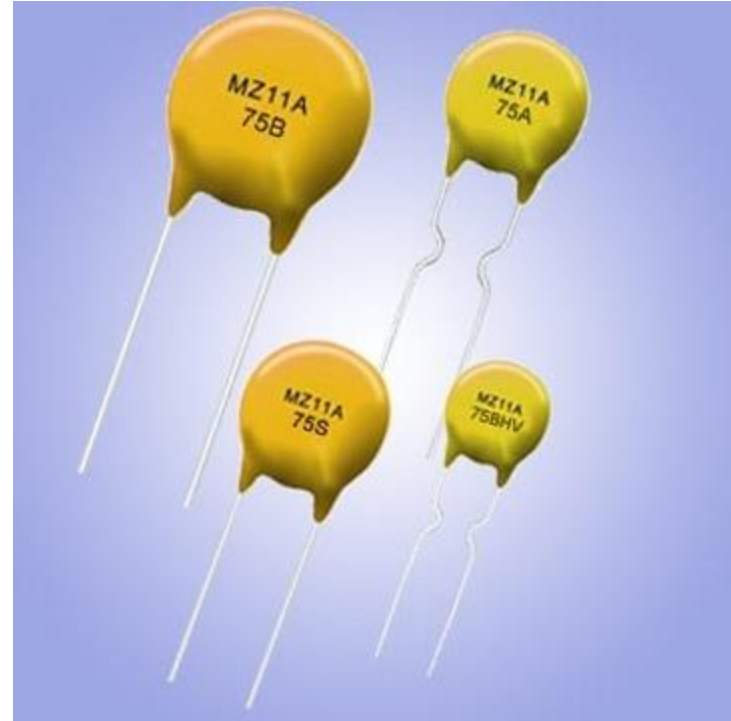
Sensor and Transducer

- Temperature to current conversion
 - Temperature to voltage conversion
 - Temperature relation resistance
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Temperature relation resistance



ภาพที่ 1.13 NTC



ภาพที่ 1.14 PTC

RTD and Thermocouple

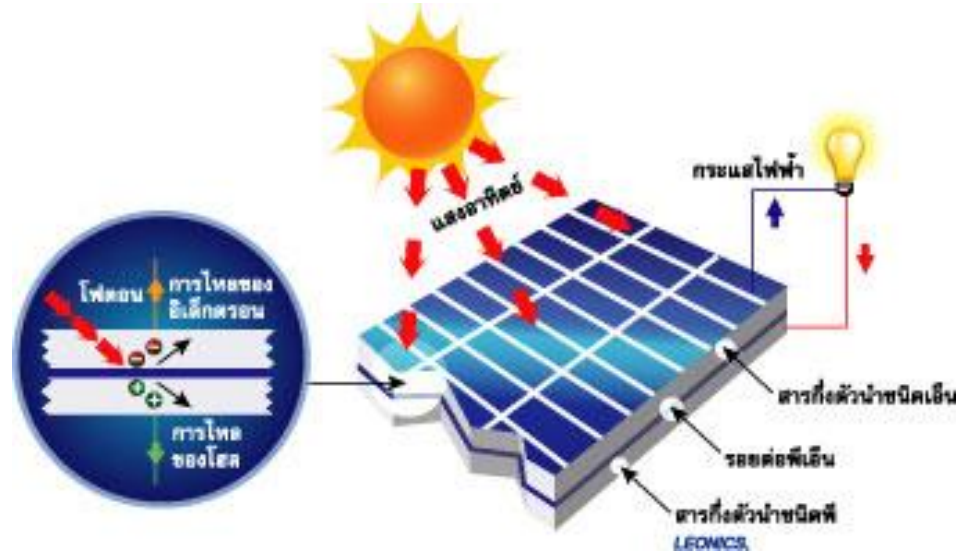


ภาพที่ 1.15 RTD



ภาพที่ 1.16 Thermocouple

PHOTOVOLTAIC or SOLAR CELLS



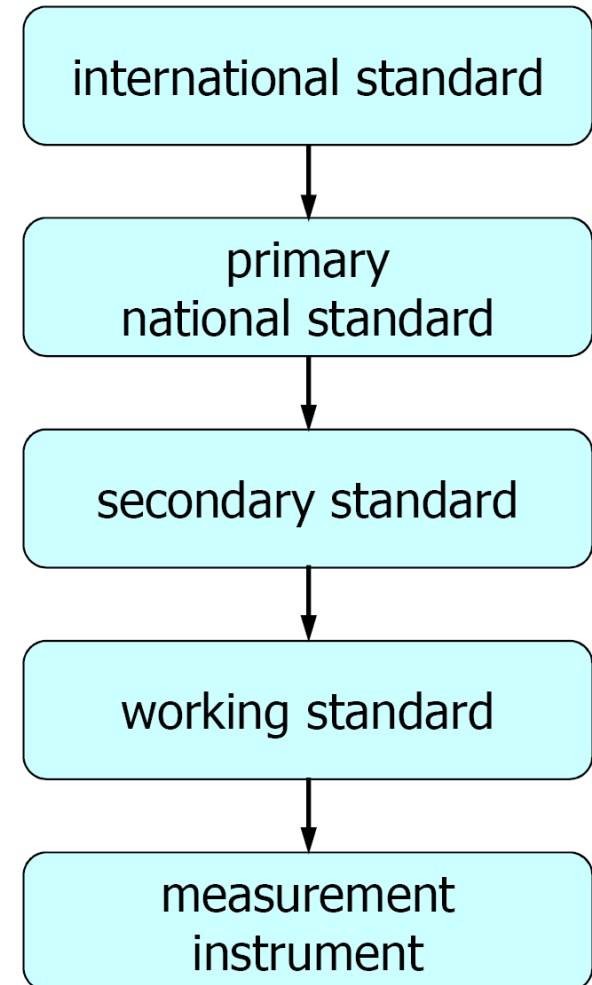
ภาพที่ 1.17 Photovoltaic or Solar cell





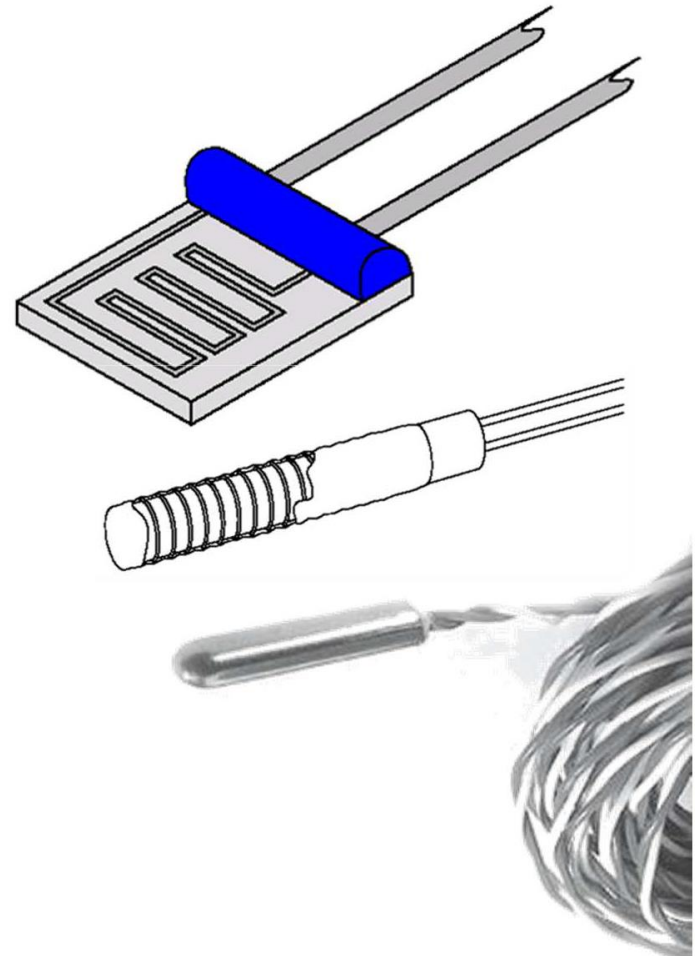
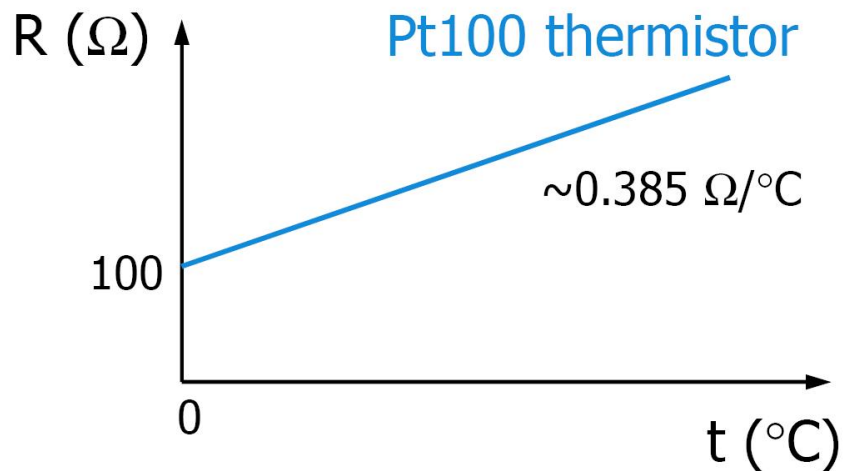
Calibration

- **Calibration** makes a connection between
 - measurement values produced by a measurement instrument
 - corresponding values realized by standards
- **Calibration procedure:** comparison of an instrument with a (more accurate) measurement standard
- Calibration enables measurements which are **traceable** to standards
 - through an unbroken chain of comparisons
 - with associated specified uncertainties !



Example: calibration of a platinum thermometer

- PRT: platinum resistance thermometer
- typical **transfer**:

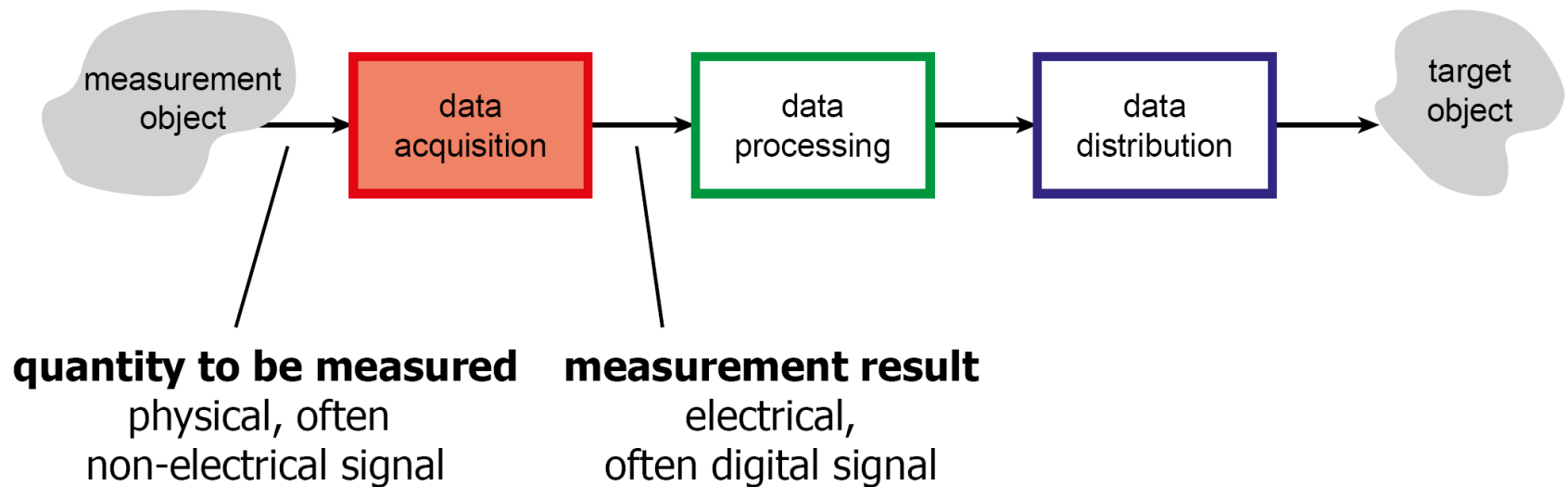


Example: calibration of a platinum thermometer

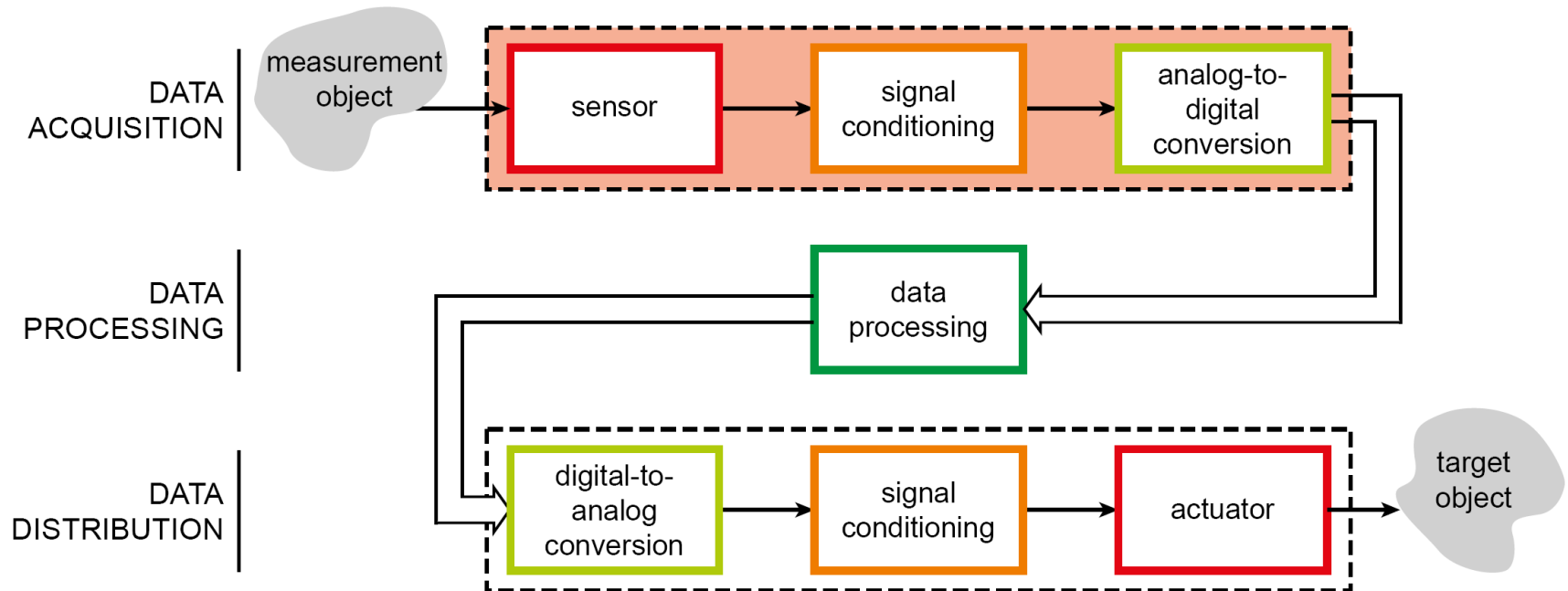
- Calibration procedure:
 - comparison to a more accurate reference thermometer (the working standard) at various calibration temperatures
⇒ list of measured temperatures and resistance values with measurement uncertainty
 - determination of the coefficients of a formula that relates measured resistance to temperature
⇒ $R(t) = R_0 (1 + A \cdot t + B \cdot t^2)$
 - determination of the corresponding measurement uncertainty
- Next, when using the thermometer, this formula will be used to translate a measured resistance into temperature



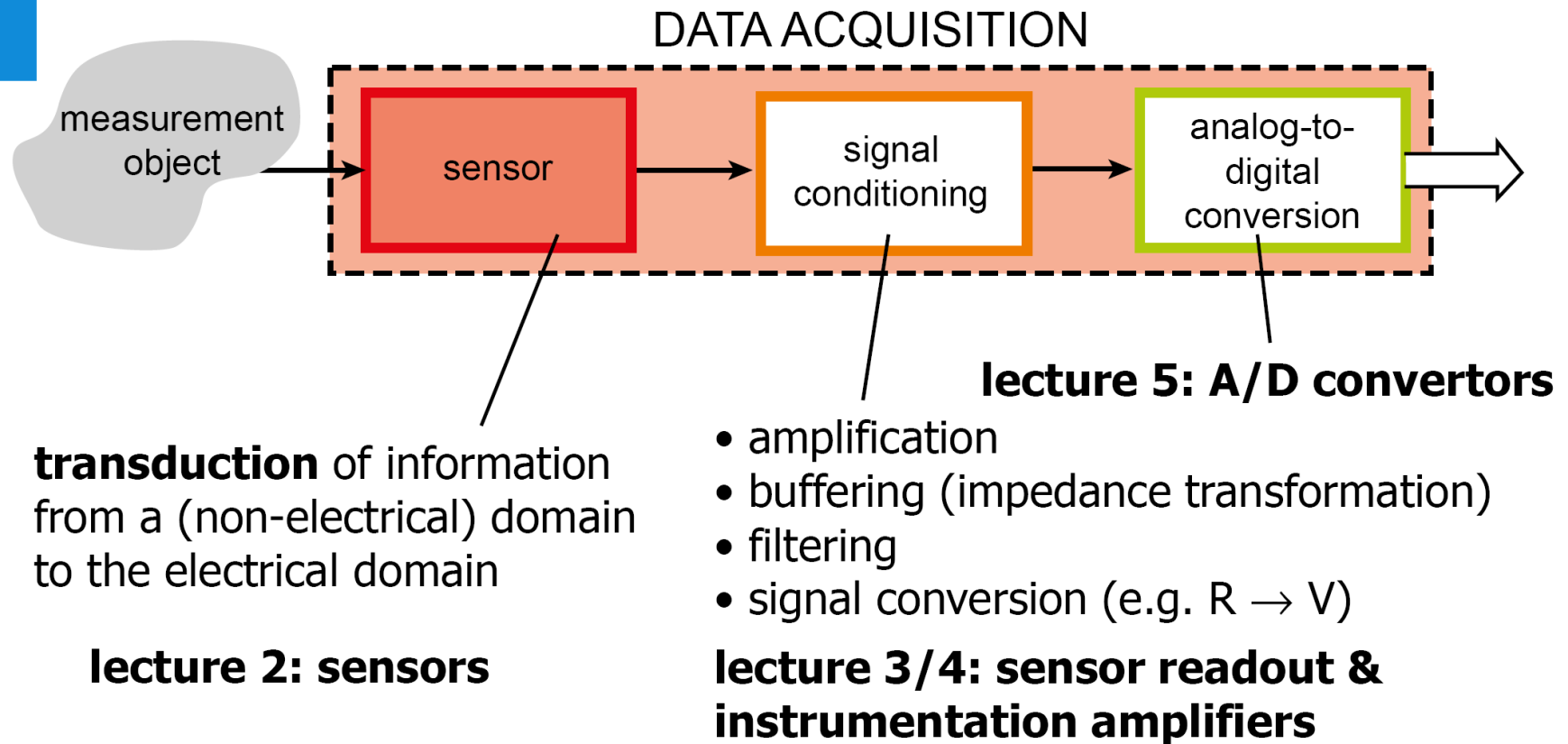
Structure of a measurement system



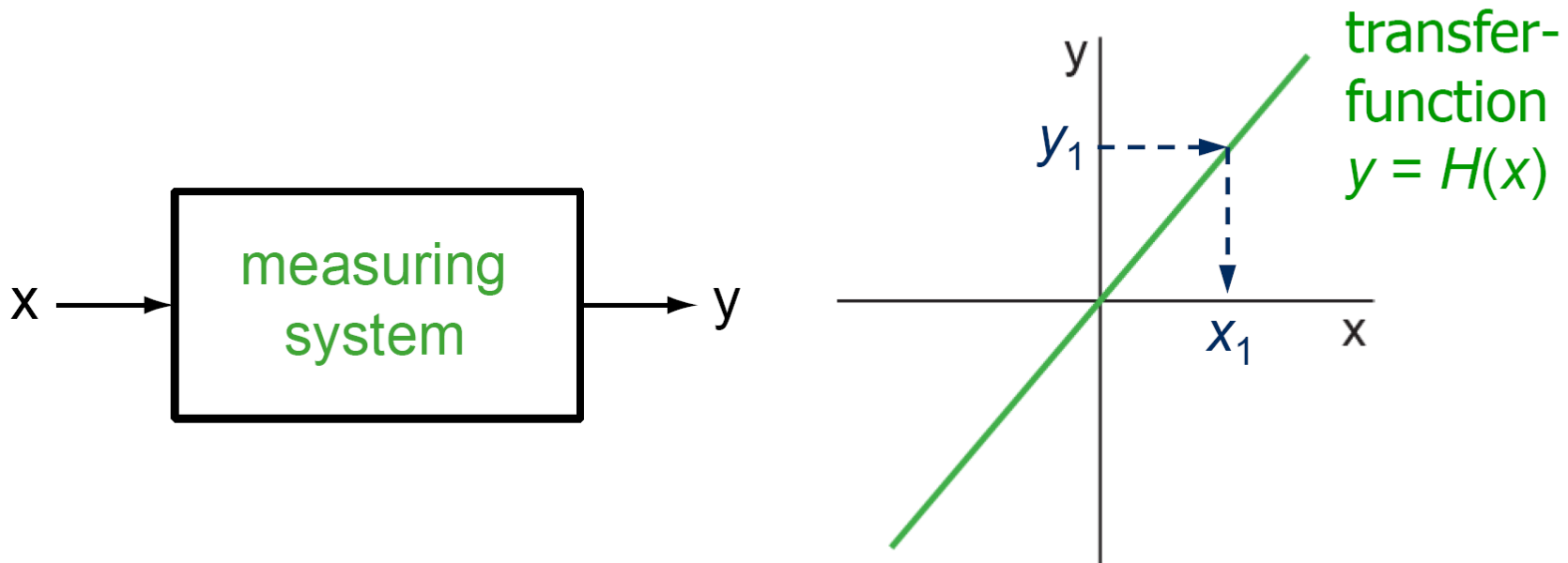
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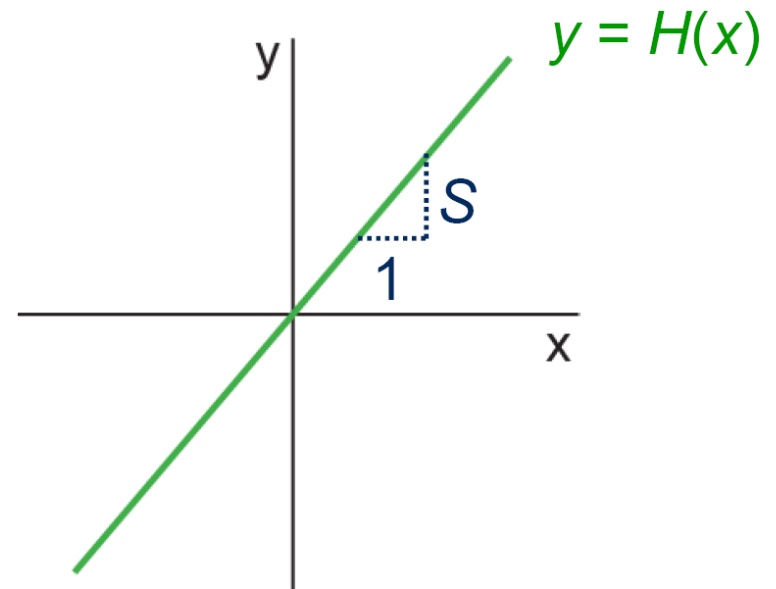
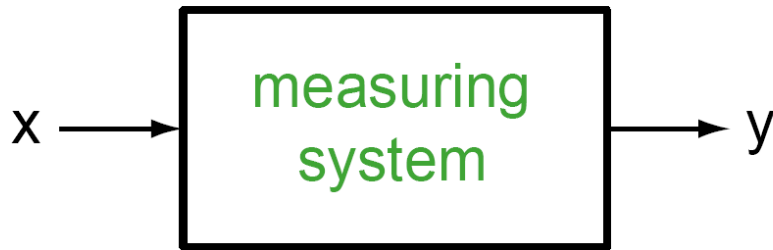


Transfer of a measurement system



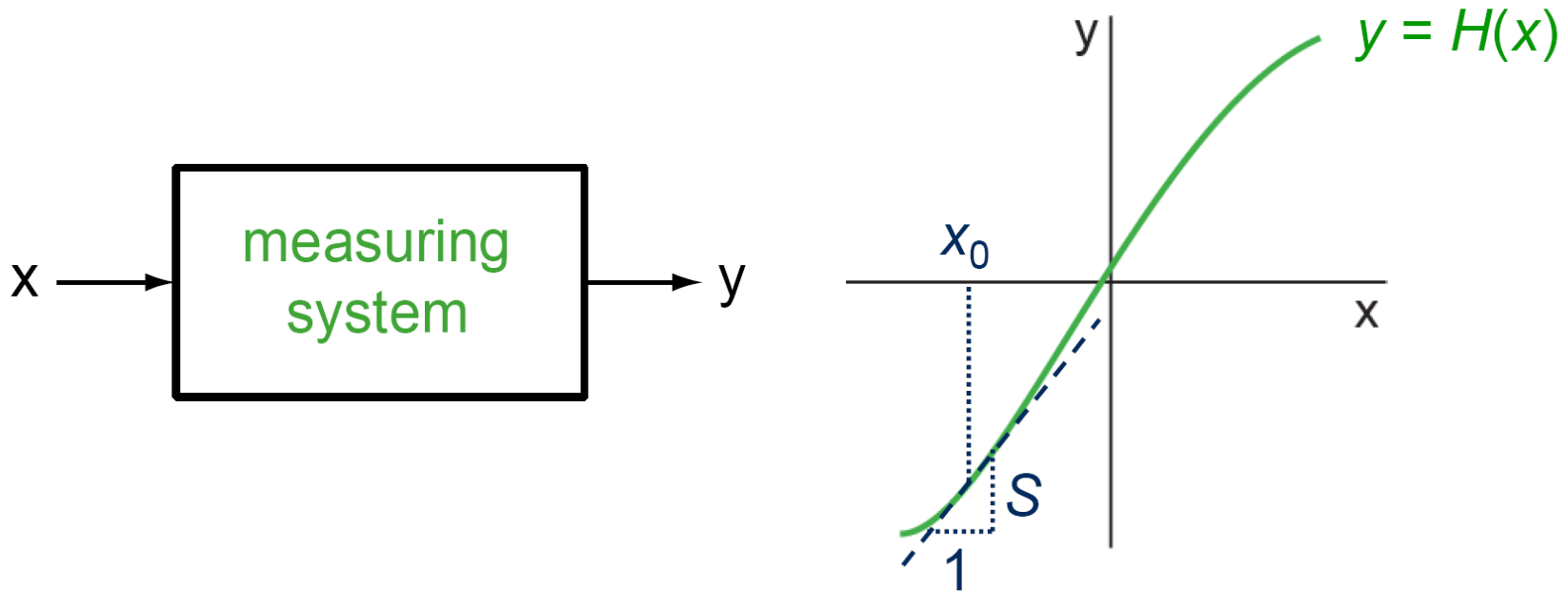
- Using the transfer function H , output signal (indication) y_1 can be translated back to a measurement value x_1

Sensitivity



- **Sensitivity:** $S = \Delta y / \Delta x$
- Ideal linear transfer: sensitivity $S = y / x$

Differential Sensitivity

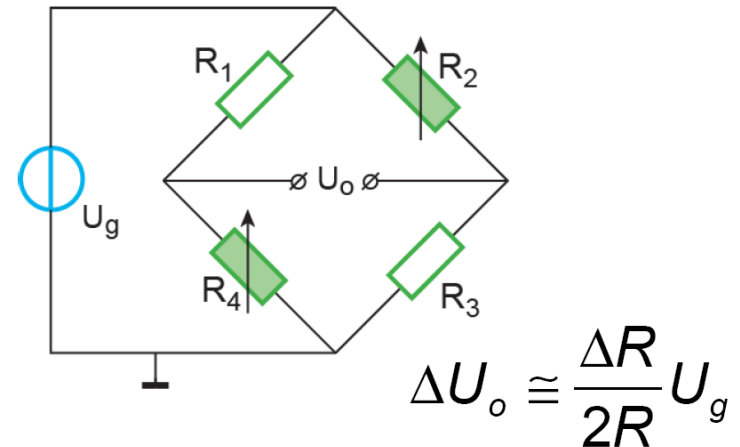
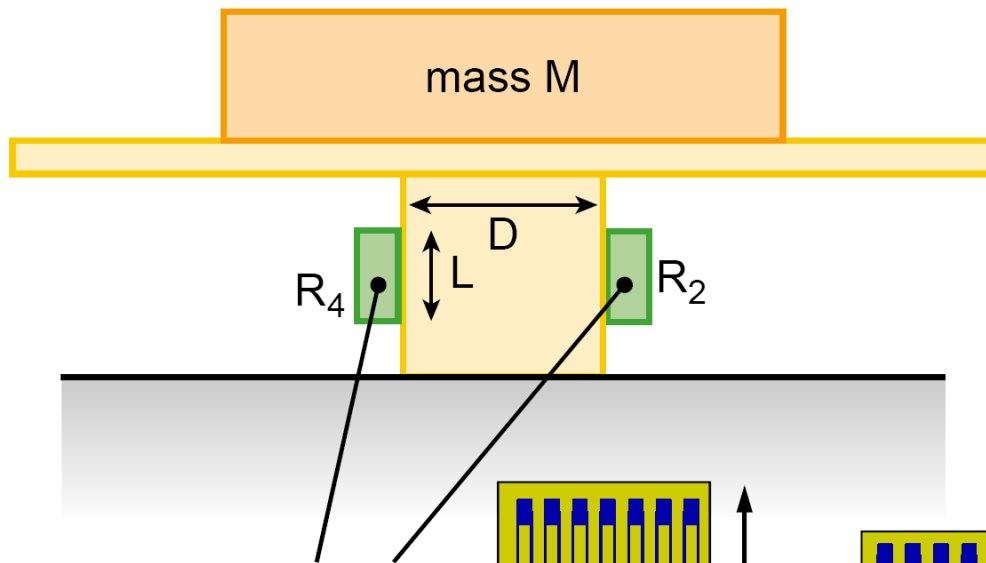


- Non-linear transfer

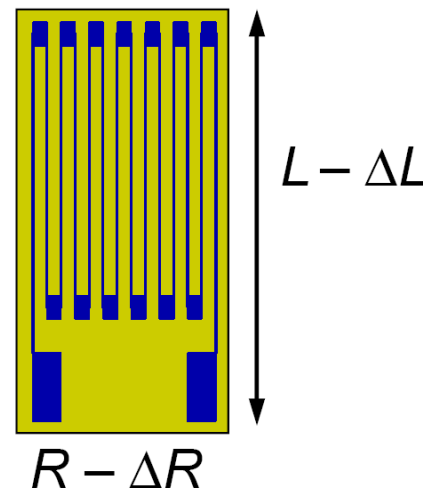
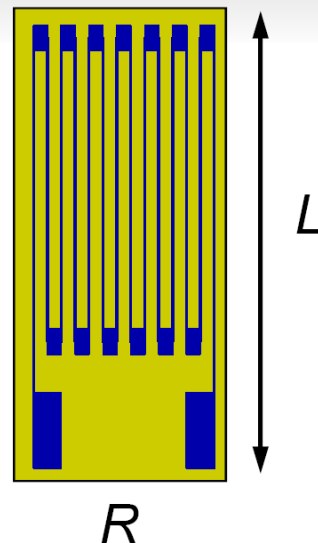
⇒ **differential** sensitivity round x_0 :

$$S = \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=x_0} = H'(x_0)$$

Sensitivity example: weighing scale



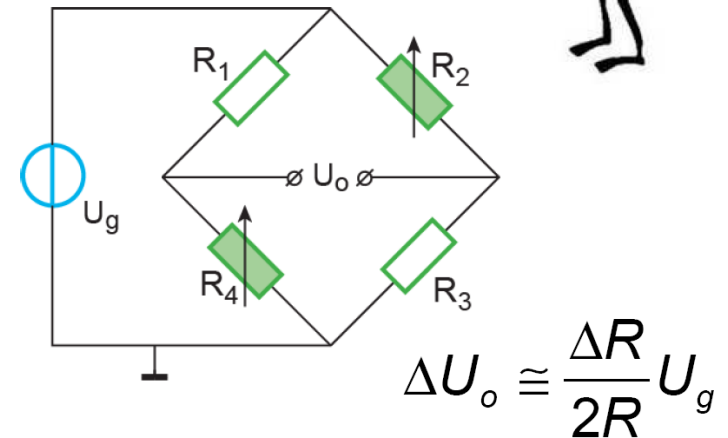
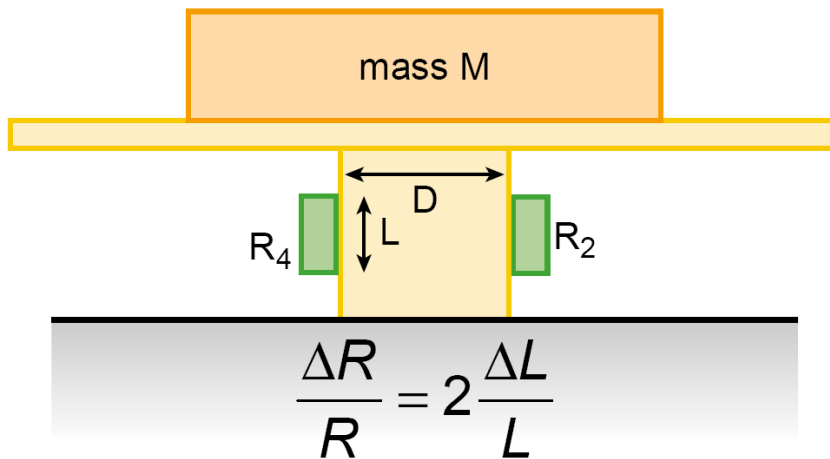
Strain gauges



$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} = k \frac{\Delta L}{L}$$

gauge factor k
= 2 for metals

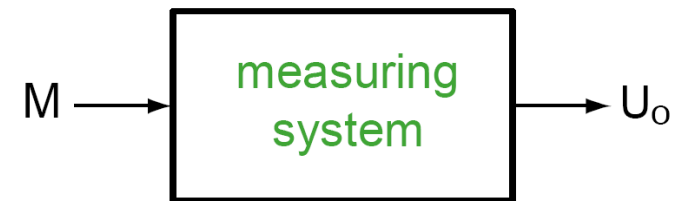
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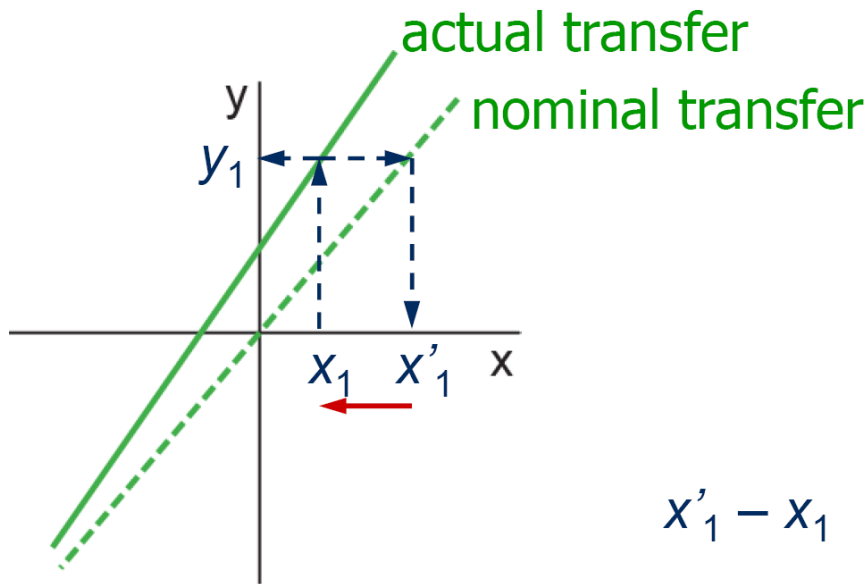
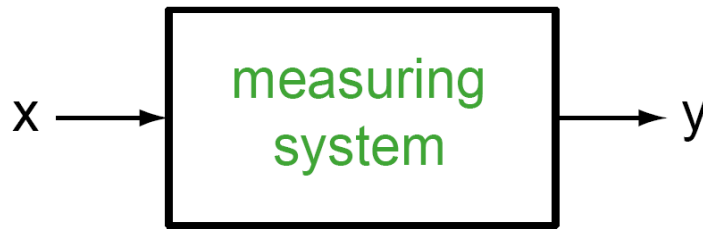
Given: the source voltage $U_g = 10 \text{ V}$
the relative sensitivity of the length change is

$$\frac{\Delta L / L}{\Delta M} = 6.2 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ kg}^{-1}$$

Determine the sensitivity $S = \Delta U_o / \Delta M$ [V/kg]
of the measurement system



Measurement errors due to deviations in the transfer

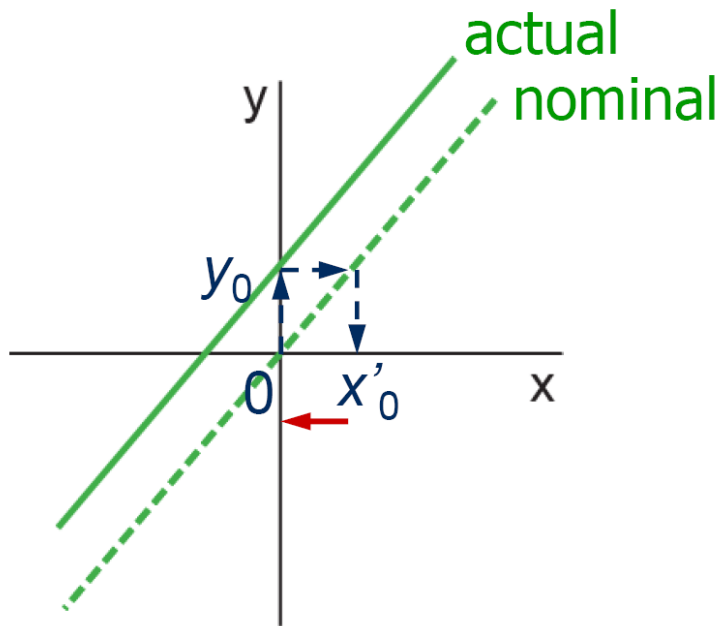


x_1 actual value of quantity
to be measured
 y_1 output signal of
measurement system
 x'_1 measured value
determined based on
nominal transfer

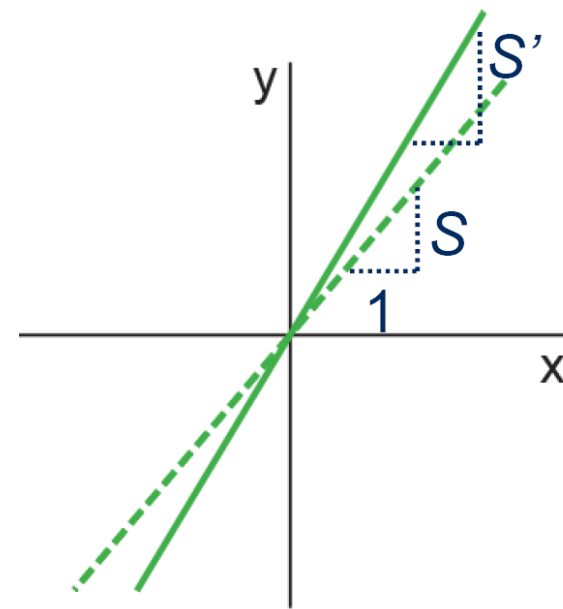
$$x'_1 - x_1 \quad \text{measurement error}$$

Deviation in linear transfer

Offset error

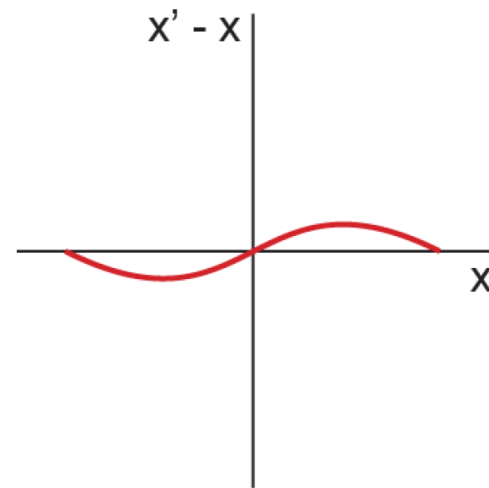
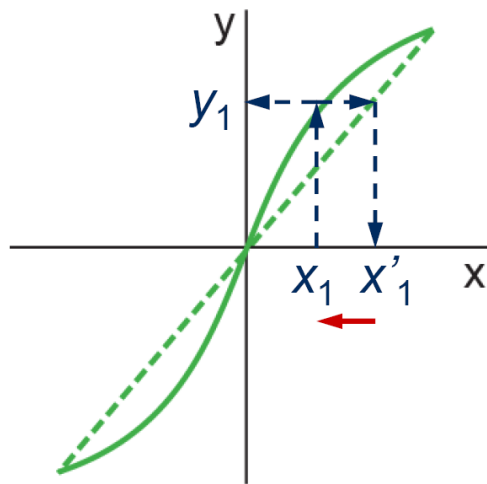


Gain error (sensitivity error)



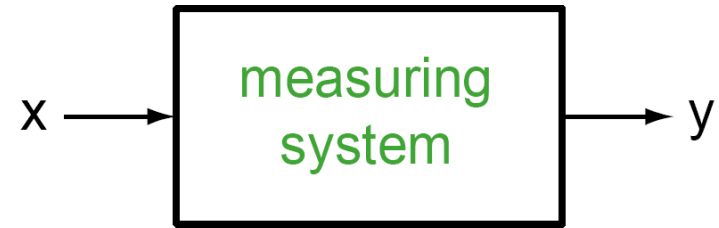
Non-linearity

- A non-linear transfer will give measurement errors if the nominal transfer is assumed to be linear
- Integral non-linearity:

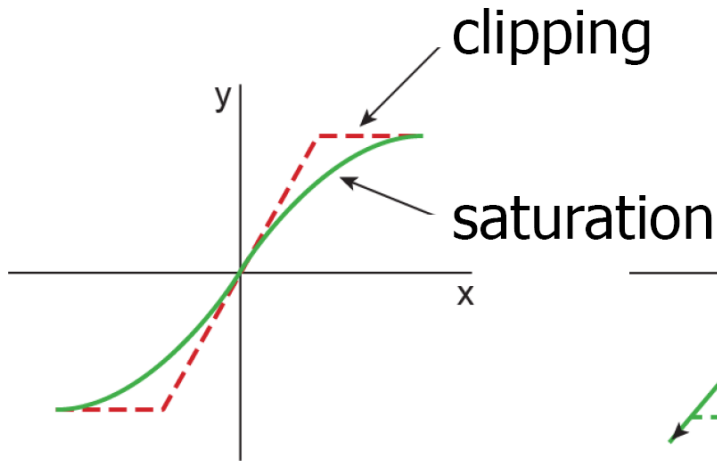


Ambiguity

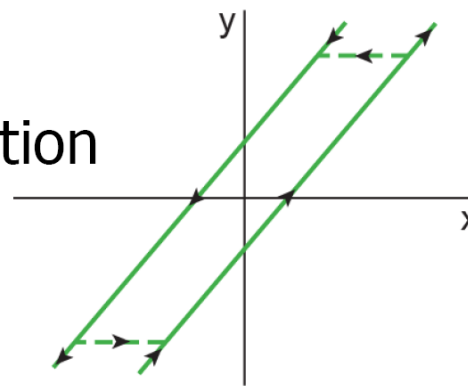
- No one-to-one relation between the quantity to be measured x and the output signal y



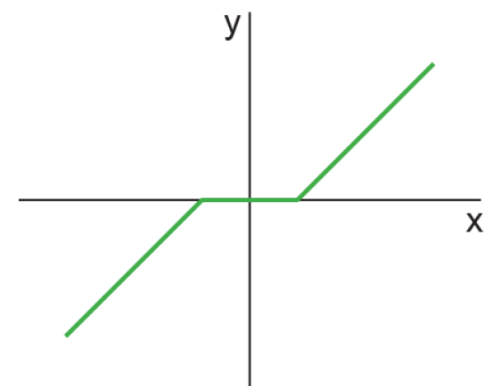
saturation



hysteresis



dead zone



Ambiguity

- Moving coil meter with friction

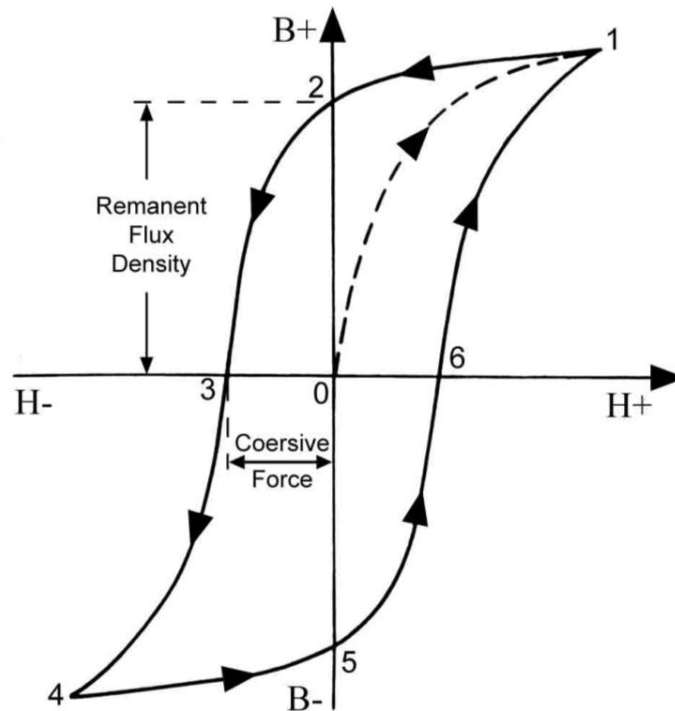


saturation
hysteresis
dead zone



Ambiguity

- Magnetisation of a ferromagnetic core

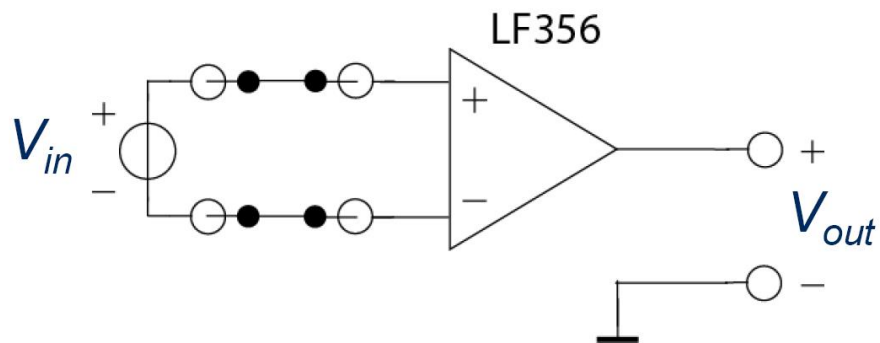


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Ambiguity

- Opamp

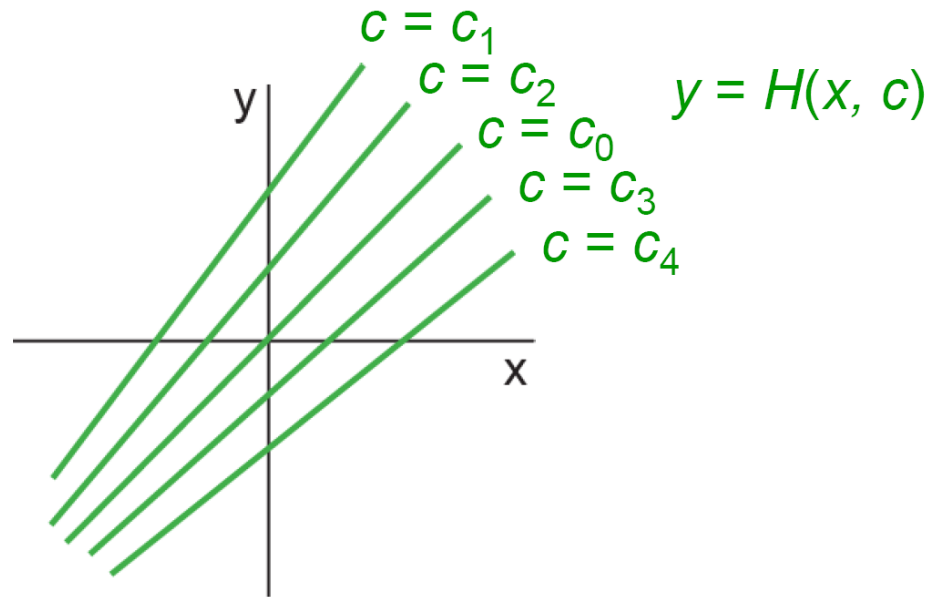
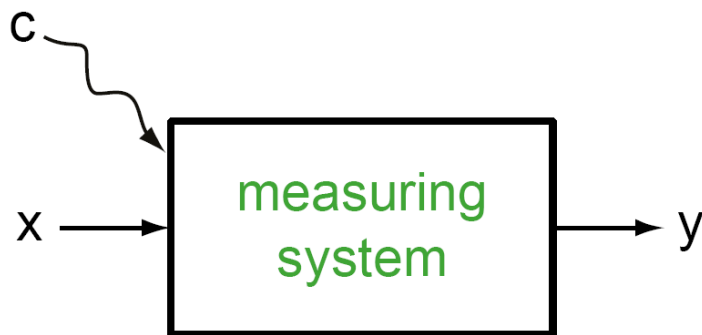


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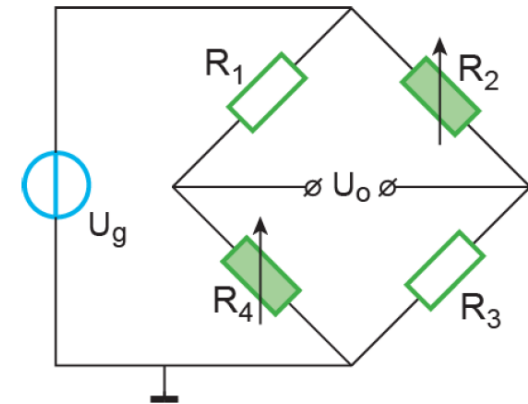
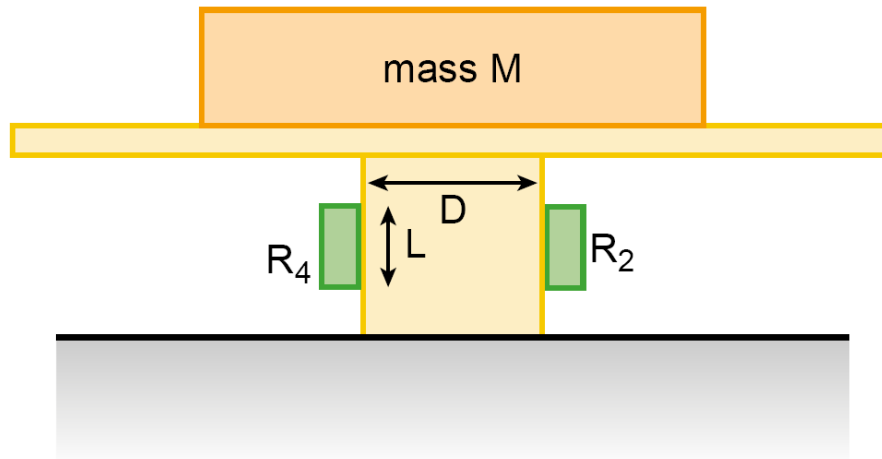
Cross-sensitivity

- Unwanted sensitivity to an **influence quantity** c



- Ideally: $S_c^y = 0$

Cross-sensitivity ex.: weighing scale



temperature-
difference ΔT

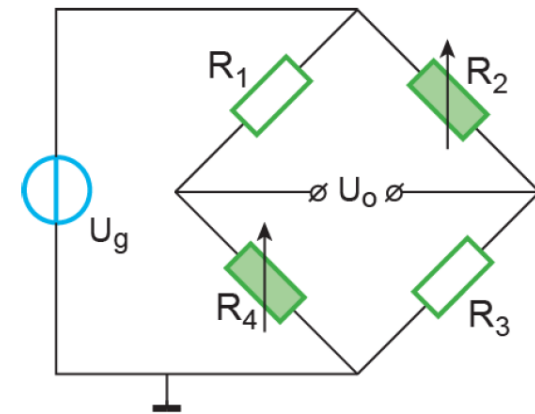
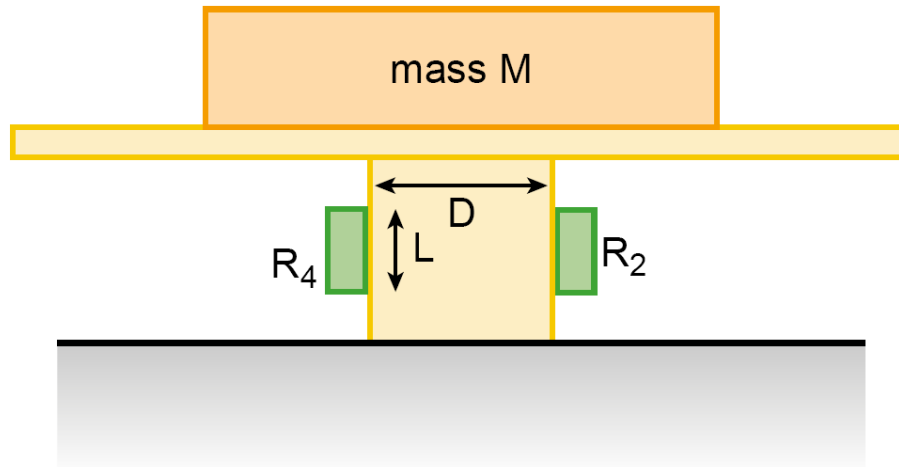
resistance
change
 $\Delta R/R$

output
voltage
 ΔU_o

- Temperature sensitivity resistors typically expressed as

temperature coefficient: $\alpha = \frac{1}{R} \cdot \frac{dR}{dT} \text{ [K}^{-1}\text{]} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\Delta R}{R} = \alpha \cdot \Delta T$

Cross-sensitivity ex.: weighing scale



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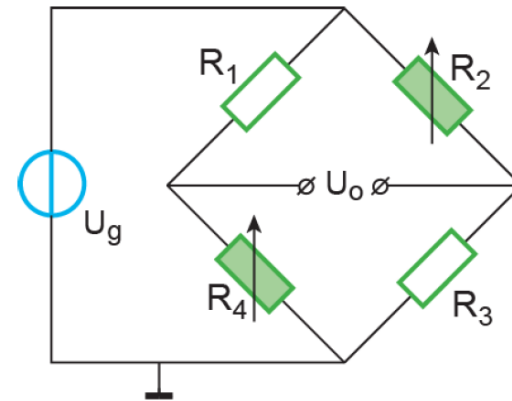
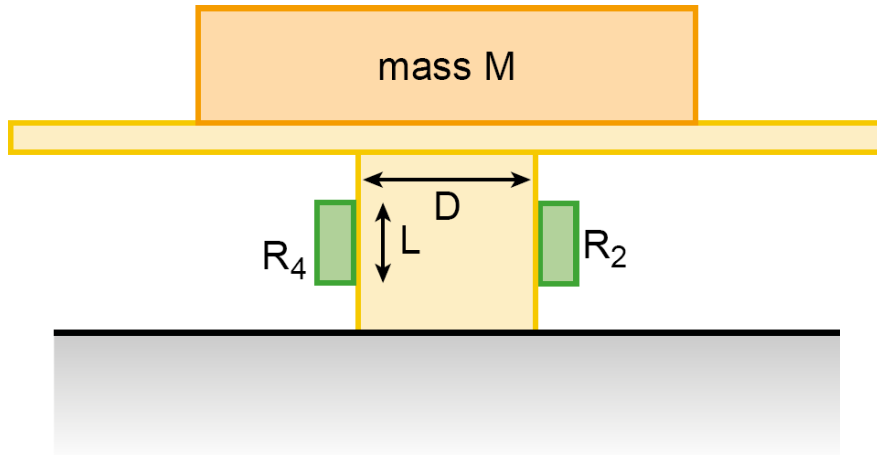
output
voltage
 ΔU_o

$$\frac{\Delta R}{R} = \alpha \cdot \Delta T$$

$$\Delta U_o \cong \frac{\Delta R}{2R} U_g$$

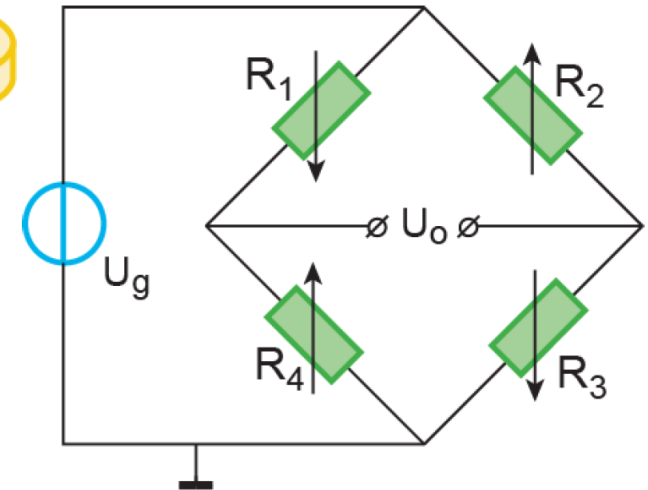
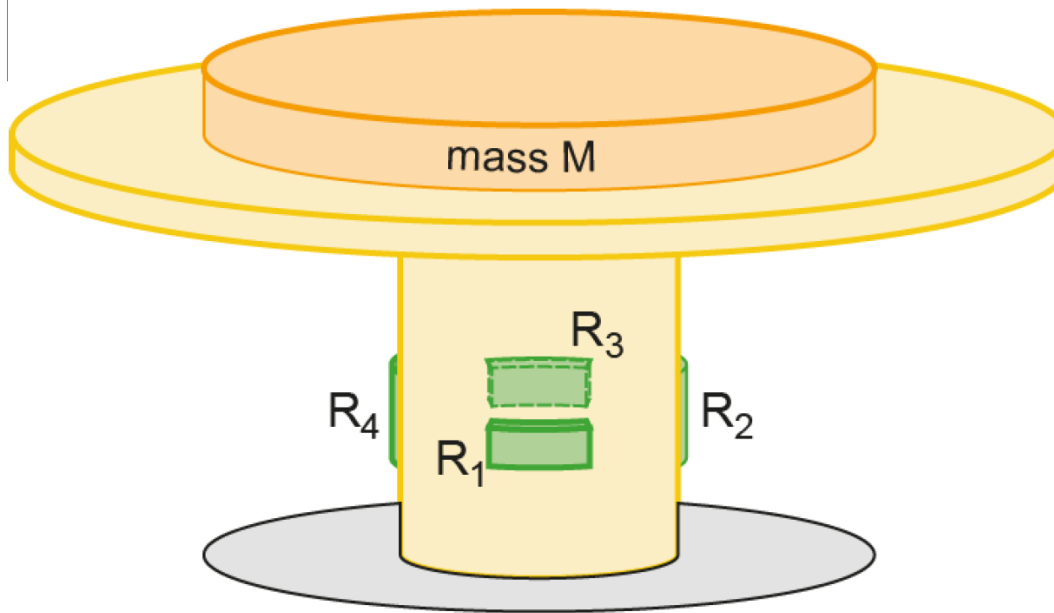
- Cross sensitivity: $S_{temp} = \frac{\Delta U_o}{\Delta T} = \frac{\alpha \cdot U_g}{2}$

Cross-sensitivity ex.: weighing scale



- Cross-sensitivity: $S_{temp} = \frac{\Delta U_o}{\Delta T} = \frac{\alpha \cdot U_g}{2}$
 - Let: $\alpha = 2,0 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ K}^{-1}$, $U_g = 10 \text{ V} \Rightarrow S_{temp} = 0,10 \text{ mV/K}$
 - Compare to earlier found $S_{massa} = 6,2 \text{ } \mu\text{V / kg}$
- } error:
16 kg / K !!

Cross-sensitivity ex.: weighing scale



- **Compensation** for temperature differences:
4 strain gauges mounted to the base \Rightarrow small ΔT

Measurement errors due to aging

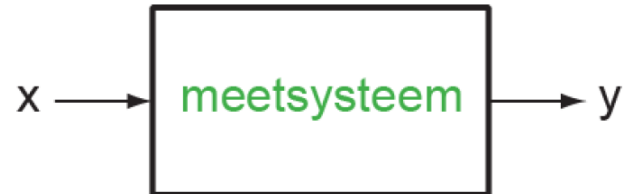
- Measurement systems change over time
 - ⇒ uncertainty increases
 - ⇒ frequent calibration is needed



Accuracy Specifications \pm (% of reading + % of range)

Function	Range ³	24 Hour ² 23°C \pm 1°C	90 Day 23°C \pm 5°C	1 Year 23°C \pm 5°C
DC voltage	100.0000 mV	0.0030 + 0.0030	0.0040 + 0.0035	0.0050 + 0.0035
	1.000000 V	0.0020 + 0.0006	0.0030 + 0.0007	0.0040 + 0.0007
	10.00000 V	0.0015 + 0.0004	0.0020 + 0.0005	0.0035 + 0.0005
	100.0000 V	0.0020 + 0.0006	0.0035 + 0.0006	0.0045 + 0.0006
	1000.000 V	0.0020 + 0.0006	0.0035 + 0.0010	0.0045 + 0.0010

Resolution

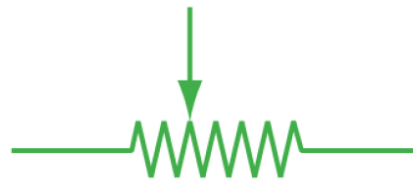


- **Resolution:** smallest change in x that causes a noticeable change in y
- Expressed in two ways:
 - absolute: Δx
 - relative to the full scale: $\Delta x / x_{max}$
often in bits: $-\log_2 (\Delta x / x_{max})$
- Example: 4½-digit display, 200V range
 - $\Delta x = 0.01 \text{ V}$
 - $\Delta x / x_{max} = 0.01 \text{ V} / 199.99 \text{ V} = 5 \cdot 10^{-5}$
in bits: $-\log_2 (5 \cdot 10^{-5}) = 14.3 \text{ bits}$



Resolution examples

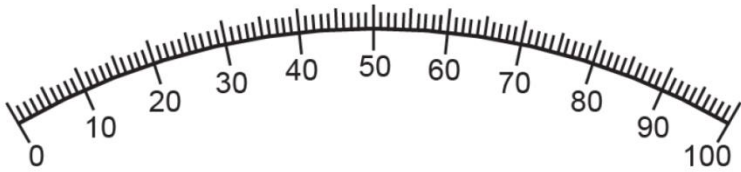
- Resolution determined by sensor: wirewound potentiometer
sliding contact (wiper)



1000 windings

Resolution examples

- Resolution determined by display:



Summary

- Measuring = determining the value of a quantity
 - measurement requires international standards
 - calibration is needed for traceable, comparable measurements
 - every measurement is subject to measurement uncertainty
- Measurement system: converts quantity to be measured x into usable output signal y (often electrical, digital)
 - Data acquisition: $x \rightarrow \text{sensor} \rightarrow \text{signal conditioning} \rightarrow \text{ADC} \rightarrow y$
 - Characterized by transfer $y = H(x)$ with sensitivity $H'(x)$
 - Deviations in the transfer can lead to measurement errors: non-linearity, ambiguity, cross sensitivity, finite resolution









Thank you
