

ELL301

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uncertainty in Z

Problems:

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or

$$Z = x + x$$

$$\Rightarrow U(Z) = \sqrt{U^2(x) + U^2(x)} = \sqrt{2} U(x)$$

$$y = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

$$x_i = \mu_i \pm \sigma_i \quad \leftarrow \text{uncertainty}$$

$$y = \text{mean} \pm \text{uncertainty in } y?$$

Assumption!

$$\text{mean}(y) = f(\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n)$$

Linearize around $\text{mean}(\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n, f(\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n))$

$$dy = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} dx_1 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} dx_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} dx_n$$

$$(dy)^2 \sim \text{variance / uncertainty of } y$$

$$(dx_i)^2 \sim \text{variance / uncertainty of } x_i$$

$$(dy)^2 = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} dx_1 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} dx_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} dx_n \right)^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}\right)^2 (dx_1)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}\right)^2 (dx_2)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}\right)^2 (dx_n)^2$$

$$+ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} dx_1 \cdot dx_2 + \text{other cross terms}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}\right)^2 (dx_1)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}\right)^2 (dx_2)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}\right)^2 (dx_n)^2$$

Assumption 2
 if $dx_1 \cdot dx_2 = 0$ on average

↳ this assumes uncertainties in x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are independent

$$(dy)^2 = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}\right)^2 (dx_1)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}\right)^2 (dx_2)^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}\right)^2 (dx_n)^2$$

↓
 σ_y^2 or

$$U_y^2 = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}\right)^2 U_{x_1}^2 + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}\right)^2 U_{x_2}^2 + \dots + \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}\right)^2 U_{x_n}^2$$

↑
 uncertainty in y

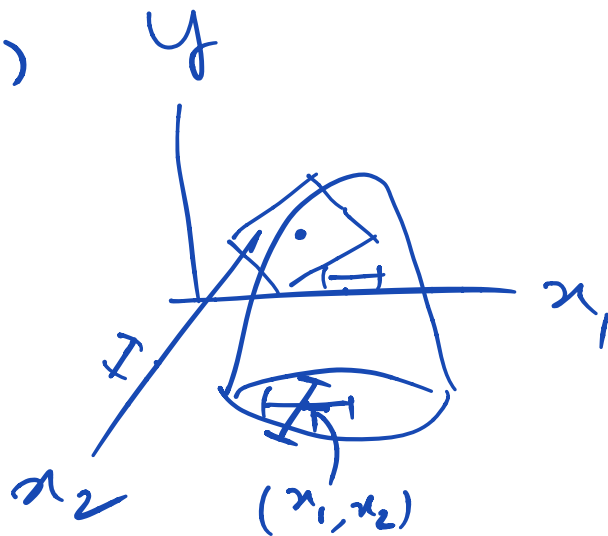
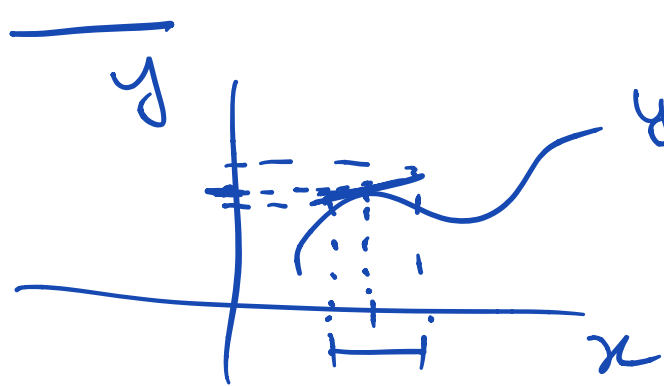
↑
 uncertainty in x_1

↑
 ... in x_2

↑
 ... in x_n

(worst-case is another way)

This is ~~how~~ ^{one way} to estimate uncertainty in y , when y is a function of x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n each of which have uncertainties



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Ans. $2U(x)$ as x & x are not independent, but same

$$2. R_1 = 100 \pm 0.12$$

$$R_2 = 50 \pm 0.08$$

What is uncertainty in net resistance

• If connected in series,

$$R = R_1 + R_2 \quad \rightarrow \quad U_R = \sqrt{U_{R_1}^2 + U_{R_2}^2}$$

• If connected in parallel.

$$R = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \rightarrow U_R = \sqrt{\left(\frac{R_2^2}{(R_1 + R_2)^2} \right)^2 U_{R_1}^2 + \left(\frac{R_1^2}{(R_1 + R_2)^2} \right)^2 U_{R_2}^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial R_1} = \frac{(R_1 + R_2) R_2 - R_1 R_2}{(R_1 + R_2)^2}$$

$$= \frac{R_2^2}{(R_1 + R_2)^2}$$

$$+ \left(\frac{R_1^2}{(R_1 + R_2)^2} \right)^2 U_{R_2}^2$$

not 99, not 101

not 50.01, not 49.99

3. $R_1 = 100$, $R_2 = 50.00$ (both Ω)
 With right number of significant figures

$$R = R_1 + R_2 = 150$$

(series) 150.00

$$R = \frac{R_1 R_2}{R_1 + R_2} = 33$$

(parallel) 33.33

33.3

minimum number of significant figures of 100, 50.00
 $= \min\{3, 4\} = 3$

$$R_1 \times R_2 = 5000$$

(mathematical) 5000.0000

50×10^2

how many significant figures?

$$\begin{array}{r}
 50.00 \\
 100 \\
 \hline
 50 \quad | \quad \begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & X \\ 0 & 0 & X & X \end{array} \\
 \hline
 50 \quad | \quad \underline{0.000}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 50.00 \\
 10 \\
 \hline
 5 \quad | \quad \begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & X \end{array} \\
 \hline
 5 \quad | \quad \underline{0.00}
 \end{array}$$

50 x 10

→ 500 x 10

length = 24.63 (4)
 breadth = 1.001 (4)

area = what is expression upto significant figures.