

About This E-book

Units in Mathcad

By default, Mathcad uses units from the SI unit system (International System of Units). Mathcad offers several choices of unit systems: SI, CGS, MKS, U.S. customary units, or no unit system. Results will be displayed in the unit system you choose. The MKS unit system has been used for the calculations in this E-book. Please check the Mathcad *User's Guide* for more information on using and converting units in Mathcad.

Changing Equations and Formulas in an E-book

You can change the values of any variables, constants, or other values in an E-book to obtain different results. You can also enter your own equations and access any of the commands on the Math toolbar, including graphing.

About Electrical Power Systems Engineering

The documents in this book carry out common design calculations from electrical power systems engineering. These applications use Mathcad's complex arithmetic, matrix operators, equation solving power, and plotting capabilities to provide a reference source of Mathcad methods and formulas for students and practicing power engineers. This book includes applications in the following areas:

- Power Distribution Problems
- Protection Issues
- Electrical Transient Phenomena

These applications have been developed as tools for solving common problems in the field of power engineering, and as illustrations of a variety of useful Mathcad techniques. The material covered in these documents can be applied to solve practical problems and to review methods and techniques in common practice. It, also, illustrates the implementation of various numerical techniques for solving other problems. You are encouraged to use Mathcad interactively to become more aware of the intrinsic aspects of a problem. References on each topic are listed by section should you require more information regarding the techniques used to solve these problems.

The Layout

The chapters in this book contain a number of sections. These sections are subdivided into multiple subsections, and can sometimes span two or more Mathcad files. If it was necessary to split sections in this way, hyperlinked text is provided to move back and forth between the sections. Solved problems are always contiguous in a single document.

In each application, you will see definitions you can modify, parameters you may want to change, and usually a plot showing the results of the calculation. By changing definitions and parameters in these applications, you can adapt them to your physical constraints and solve your own engineering problems.

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