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REVIEW

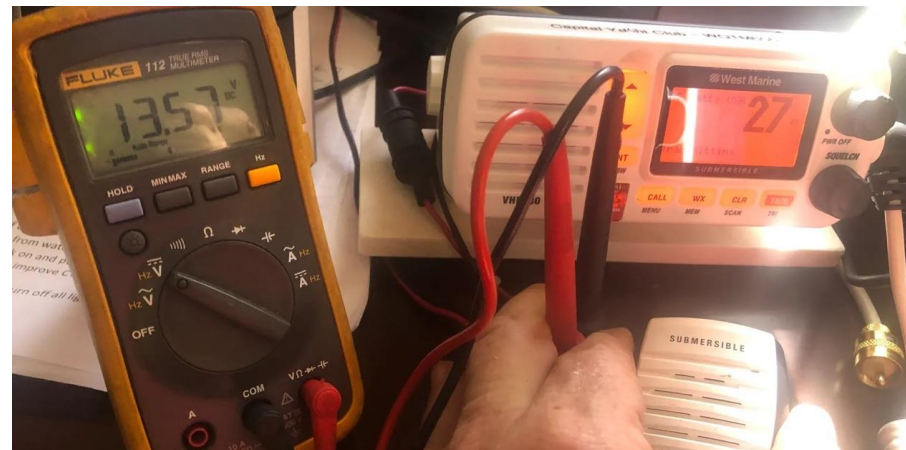
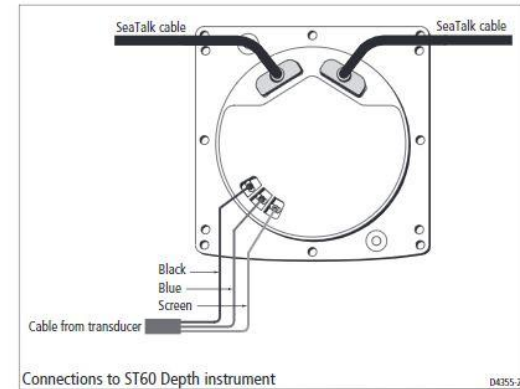
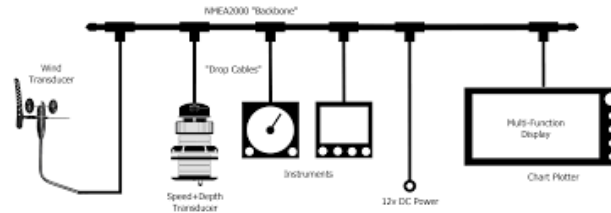


- Volts, Amps, Watts
- Ohms Law/Power Formula
- Using a DMM
- Conductors,
- OCP, AIS, T-Fuses
- Lithium Battery Requirements
- Crimping Wires



This Morning's Syllabus

- Review
- Battery Cables
- Corrosion
- Electronics
- Communications
- Show & Tell
- Labs
- Q&A





Battery Cables

- Sizing The Cable
- Choosing a Terminal
- Stripping
- Crimping
- Protecting
- ABYC Standards



Introduction to Marine Corrosion

- Anodes
- Cathodes
- ICCP
- What to Watch For
- When to ask for Help





What IS Corrosion??

*The loss of METAL through an
Electro-Chemical Process*

What ISN'T CORROSION??



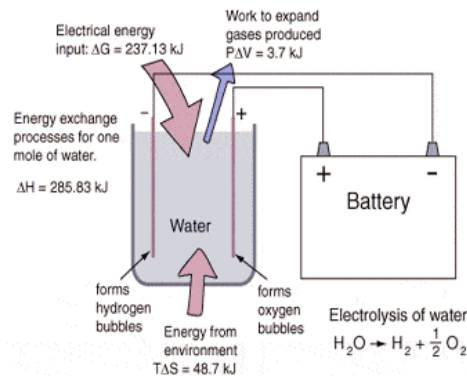
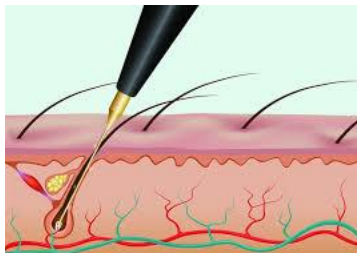
We do NOT have *electrolysis* on boats!

Let Me Explain That:

The US Dept of Energy defines Electrolysis as:

“the process of using electricity to split water into hydrogen and oxygen.”

It is also a popular method of hair removal using electricity... but it isn't what causes metal loss on boats

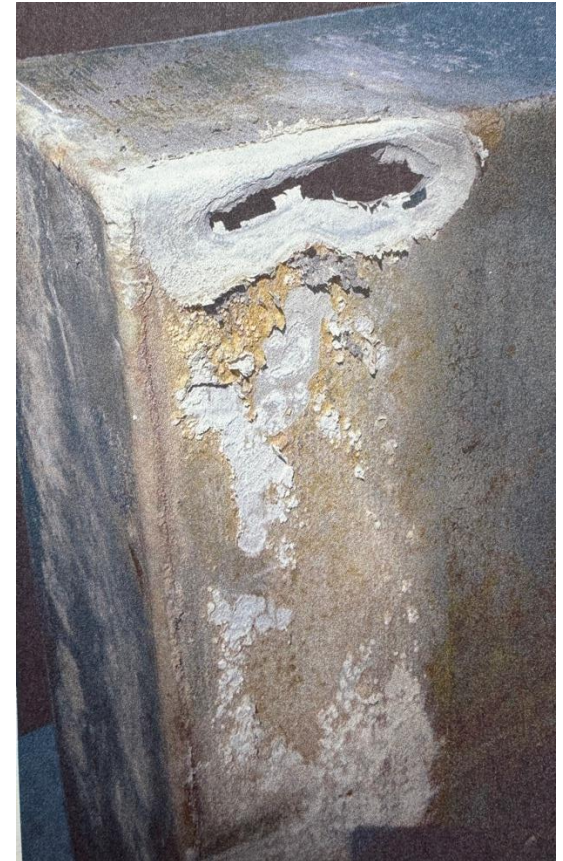


If It Isn't *Electrolysis*.. What Is It??

Many kinds of corrosion can damage a vessel or its gear. Today, we will focus on the most common:

- Galvanic Corrosion
- Stray Current (Electrolytic) Corrosion
- Simple Corrosion
- Poulitice Corrosion
- Crevice Corrosion
- Microbial Corrosion

Of course, there are others as well...



A Few Definitions

Metal

Alloy

Anode

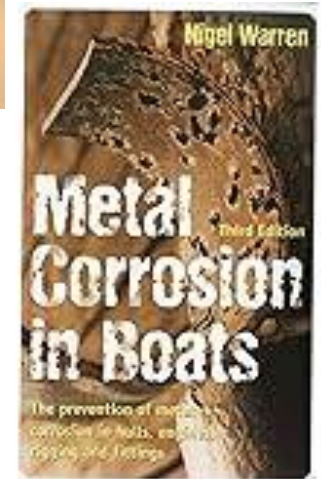
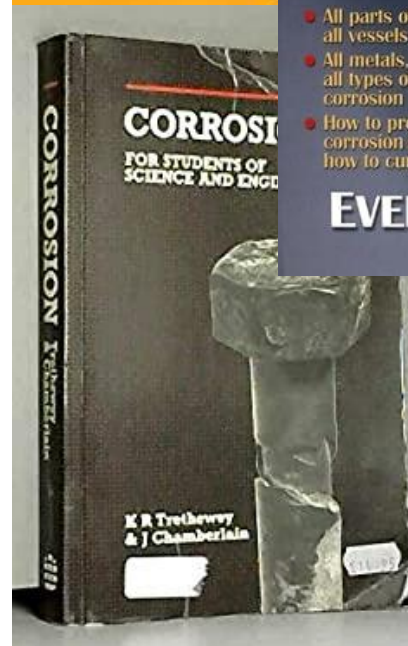
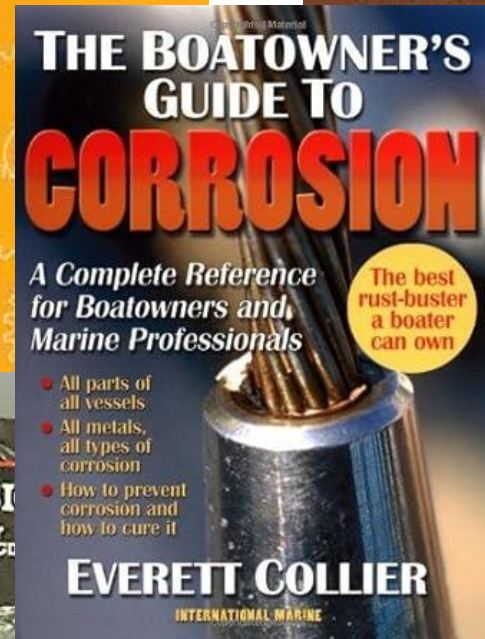
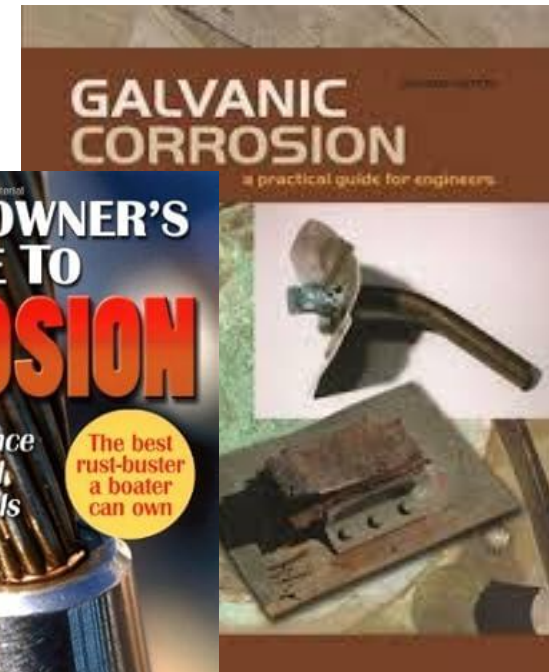
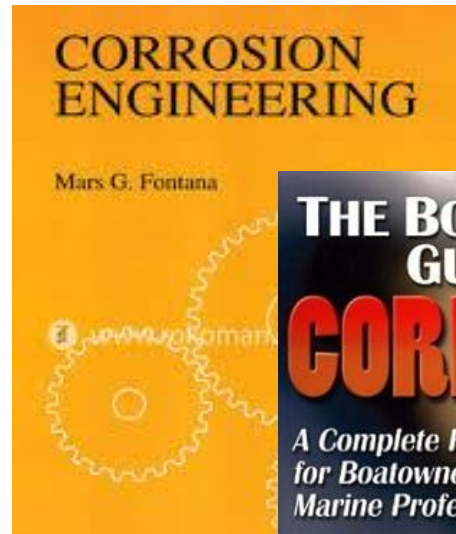
Cathode

Galvanic Series

Electrolyte

Conductive Path

Bonding





Metal

Noah Webster tells us that a metal is any of a class of elementary substances, as gold, silver, or copper, all of which are crystalline when solid and many of which are characterized by opacity, ductility, conductivity, and a unique luster when freshly fractured.





Alloy

A substance of two (2) or more metals intimately mixed such as:

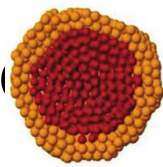
316 SS (chromium, nickel, molybdenum)

6061 aluminum (magnesium, silicon, chromium)

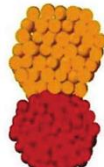
Monel (nickel, copper, manganese)

Brass (copper, zinc)

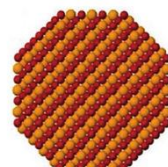
Bronze (copper, tin)



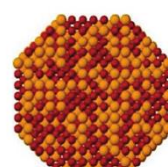
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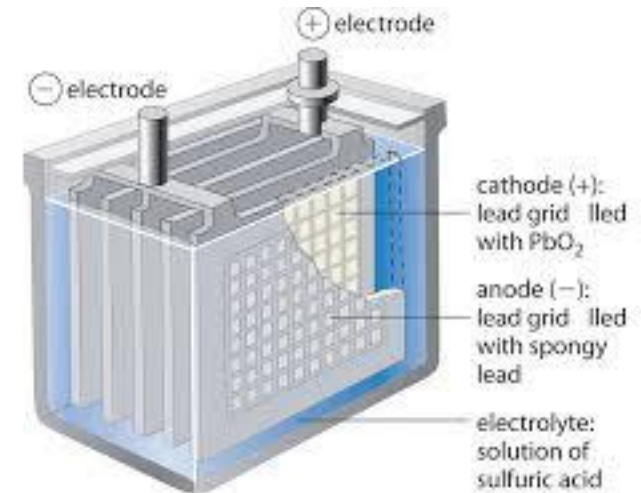
(c)



(d)

Anode

The metal (or electrode or terminal) that loses charged particles (ions in our example). The Anode will always be **more negative** than the *cathode*





Cathode

Metal (or electrode or terminal) that MAY gain or attract particles Ions in this example), in that direction the particles (from the Anode) try to flow to

The Cathode will always be **LESS NEGATIVE** than the Anode, even if both are negative.



Electrolyte

An aqueous (mostly water) solution that one or more metals are submerged in; in our case almost always *salt water*.

There can be more than one electrolyte path on a vessel, and often there are several.

Bonding

Connecting all under materials to a single anode to maintain managed control of the hull potential.

Recommended but not Required





Conductive Path

Electrons flow through conductors, usually but not always metals (carbon fiber is very conductive). For galvanic corrosion to exist there must be a path for electron flow (conductive path) as well as ion flow (electrolyte)



“LESS NEGATIVE”

- The critical concept to grasp
- Not always from Negative to Positive
- We are trying to be sure that we ‘shift’ the voltage, or potential, of our hull ‘downward’
- Galvanic Protection requires a negative shift of -200mv
- We will return to this several times.
- Key point: Negative to Less Negative



Galvanic Series

A tabular listing of the electrical potential of a metal in *seawater* as measured by a silver/silver chloride half-cell.

A table of metals ranging from the most anodic (Magnesium) to most Cathodic (Graphite/Carbon Fiber) is provided in the handouts.



Identifying Galvanic Corrosion

- Wasting of Anodes over a year
- Some excessive build-up on SOME underwater metals beyond a normal 'patina'
- Some loss of anodic metals if protection has failed or become inadequate
- Confirmed with a 'hull potential test'



Visualizing Galvanic Corrosion (what else is wrong?)





Stray Current Corrosion (Electrolytic Corrosion)

- Caused by induced currents
- MUCH more virulent
- Can sink a boat in days
- Can destroy underwater metals in hours
- Can NOT be protected by Galvanic Isolators
- Is usually caused by a lack of maintenance





Let's Look Again!



Maybe Two More:





Now we have a POWER SOURCE

- Galvanic Corrosion ‘was the battery’
- Stray Current Corrosion ‘includes’ a battery
- Could be on your boat, might not be
- 12v or 24v usually



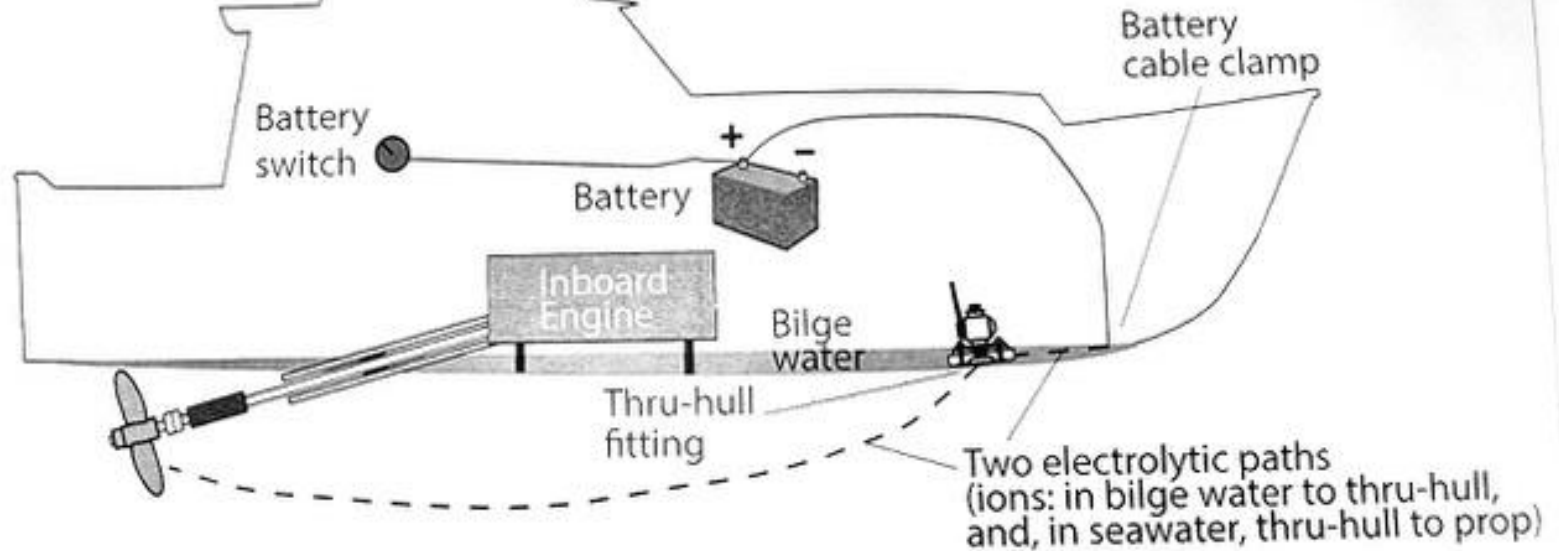


Sources of Stray Current

- Battery wire in bilge water
- Bilge Pump insulation failure
- Broken wire touching underwater metal
- Fault on dock or neighboring boat introduced by the GROUNDING conductor (green wire)
- Using a NON-marine battery charger OR an internal fault on battery charger



A common Stray Current Source





Protecting against Stray Current



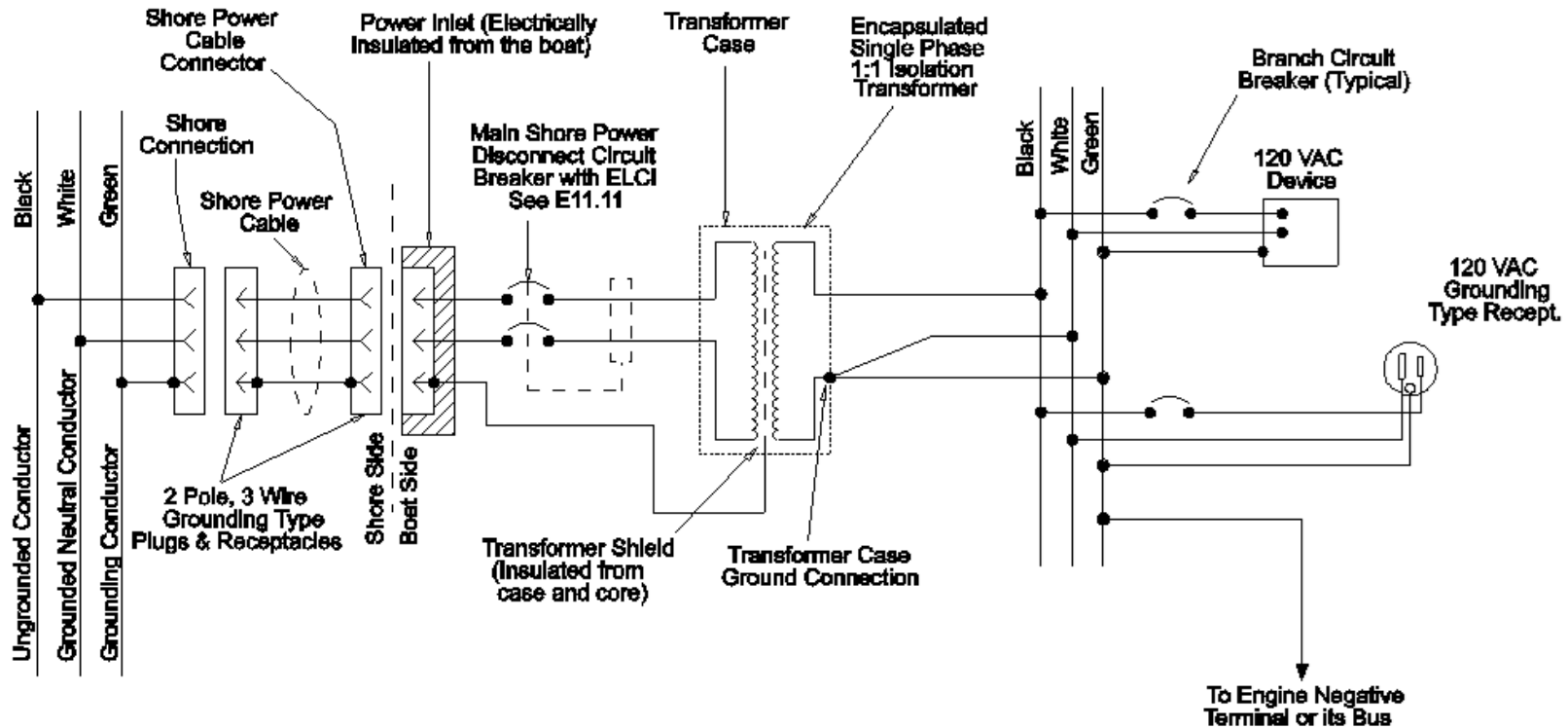
- A Galvanic Isolator (always a good idea) won't help here as it can only block 1.2vdc (or so)
- An Isolation Transformer WILL protect you from dock side introduced stray currents and is ALWAYS recommended
- Constant attention to maintenance of your electrical system is the best approach

Isolation Transformers

- Charles (sadly out of business)
- Victron
- Hubbell/Acme
- Bridgeport Magnetics
- ASEA
- Others



Typical 1ph IsoTrans Installation



Typical Split Phase Installation

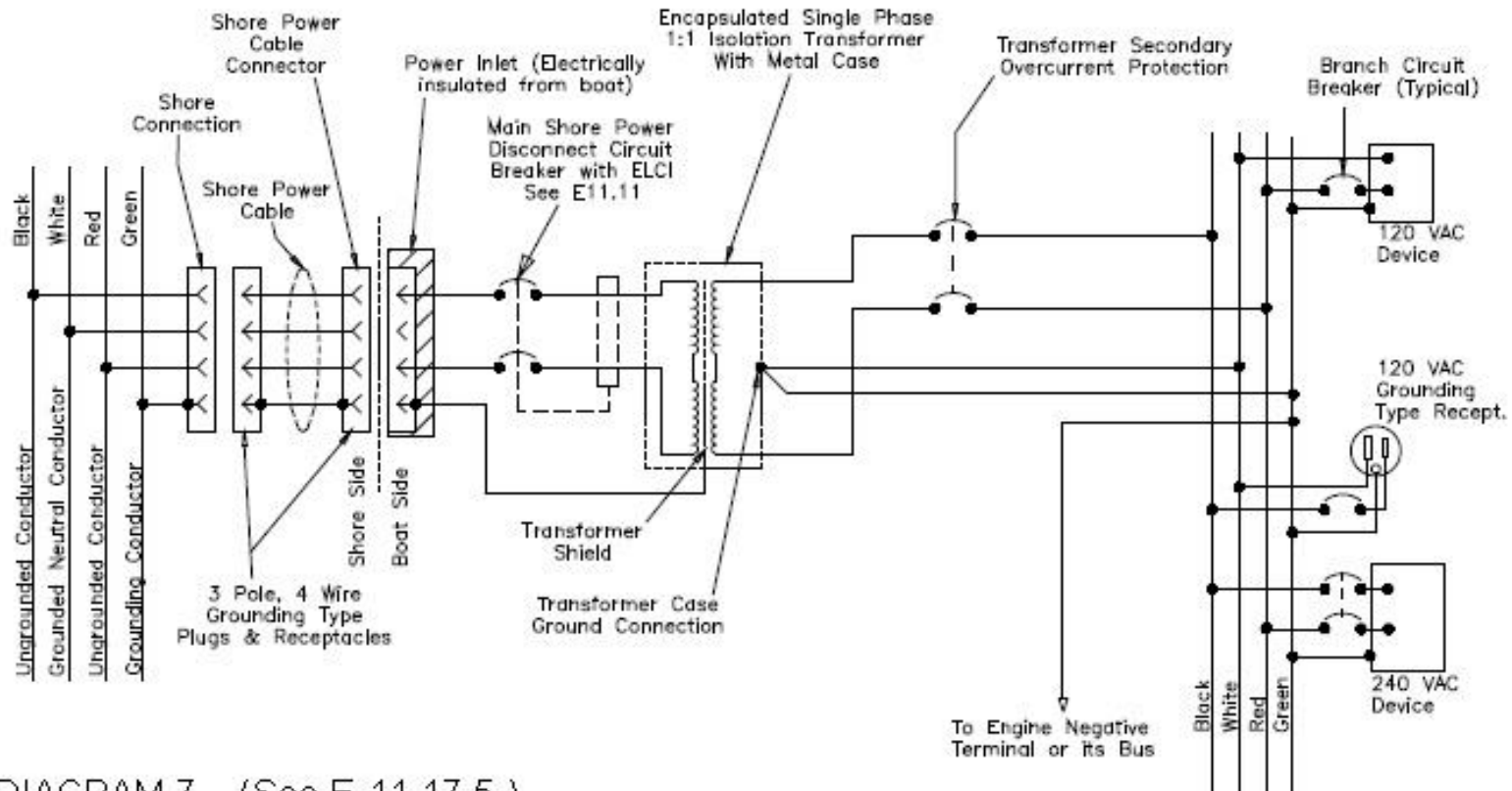


DIAGRAM 7 – (See E-11.17.5.)



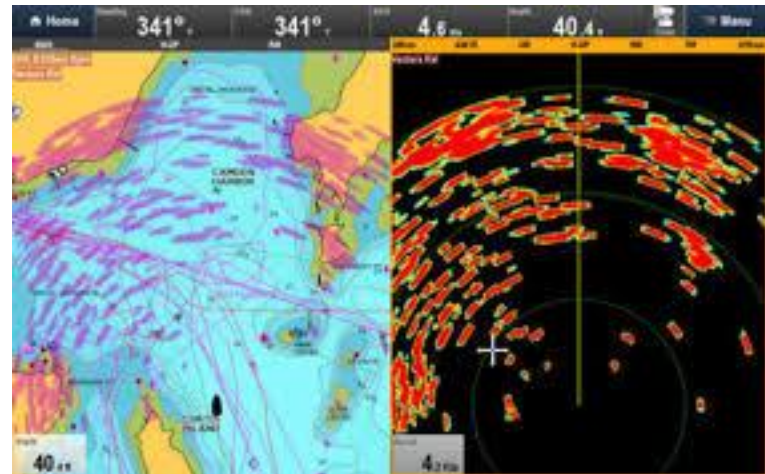
Discussion and Review

- Traditional Instruments (Depth, Speed, Wind)
- MFD's Take the Stage
- The iPad/Tablet Revolution
- SeaTalk (1, 2, NG)
- NMEA (.180, .183, 2K)
- Multiplexers



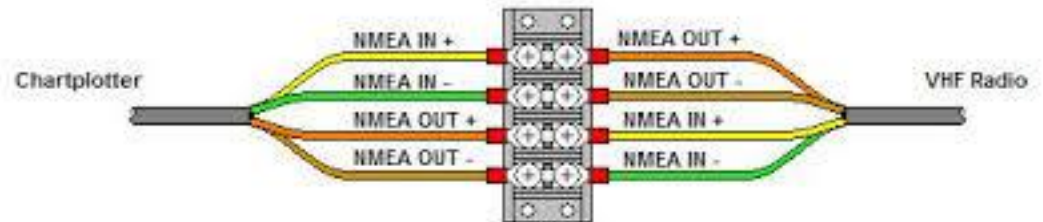
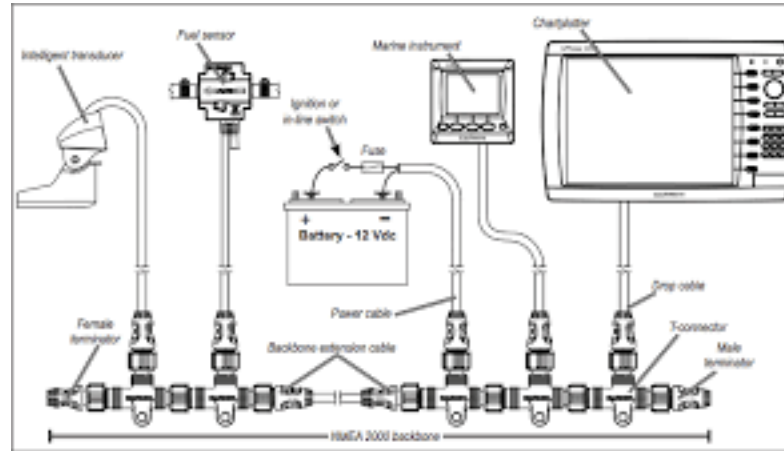
MFD's

- Brand Preference
- Cartography
- Radar
- Integration
- Active Captain et. al.
- Options



NMEA

- .180
- .183
- 2K
- OneNet™
- SeaTalk™ and Similar



Note: NMEA In connects to NMEA Out

Communication

- VHF/FM Radio
- HF/SSB Radio
- Sat Options
- Weather
- Antennas
- Starlink®





Show & Tell



LAB TIME

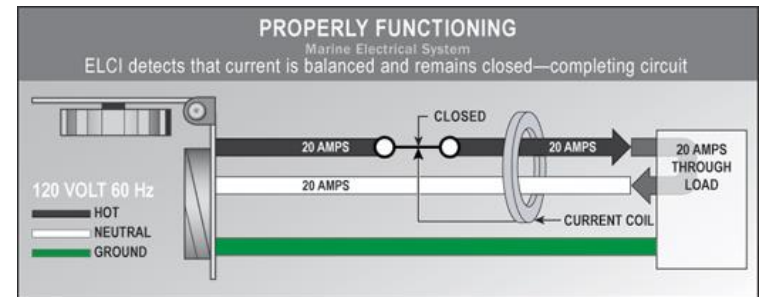
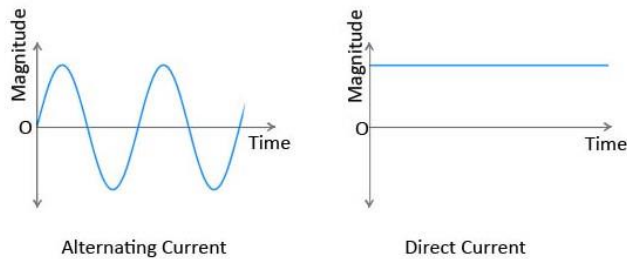
Corrosion

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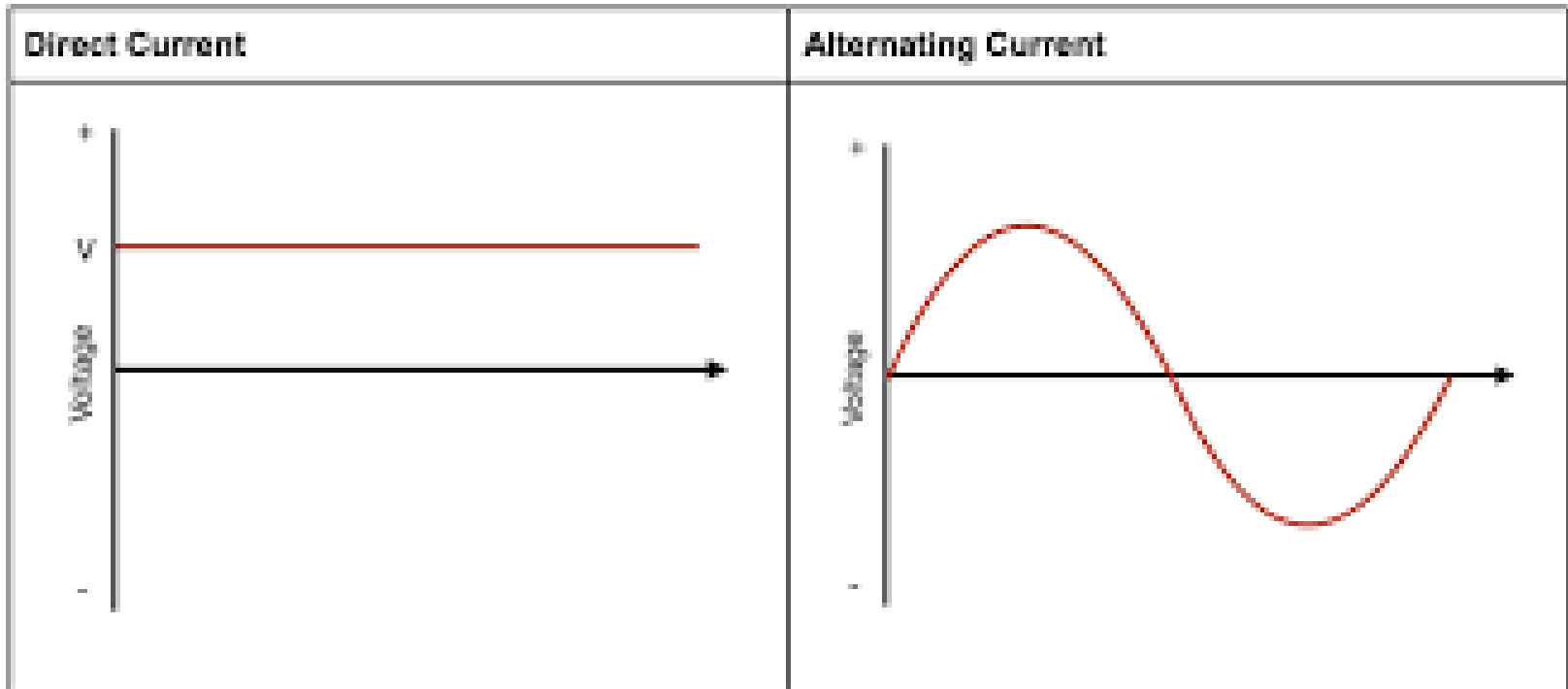
Home Stretch!

- Introduction to AC
- Voltage, Current, Phase, Power
- Ship & Shore
- Inverters
- Ground Faults
- Safety & Codes
- Labs
- Review of Class Goals
- Final Q&A





Measuring AC and DC

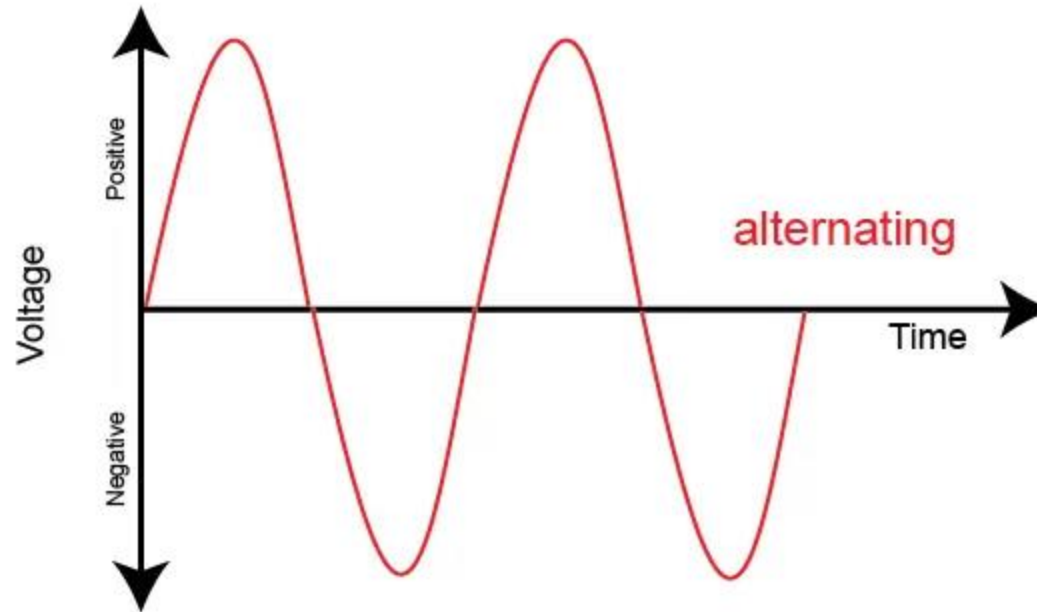




Alternating Current

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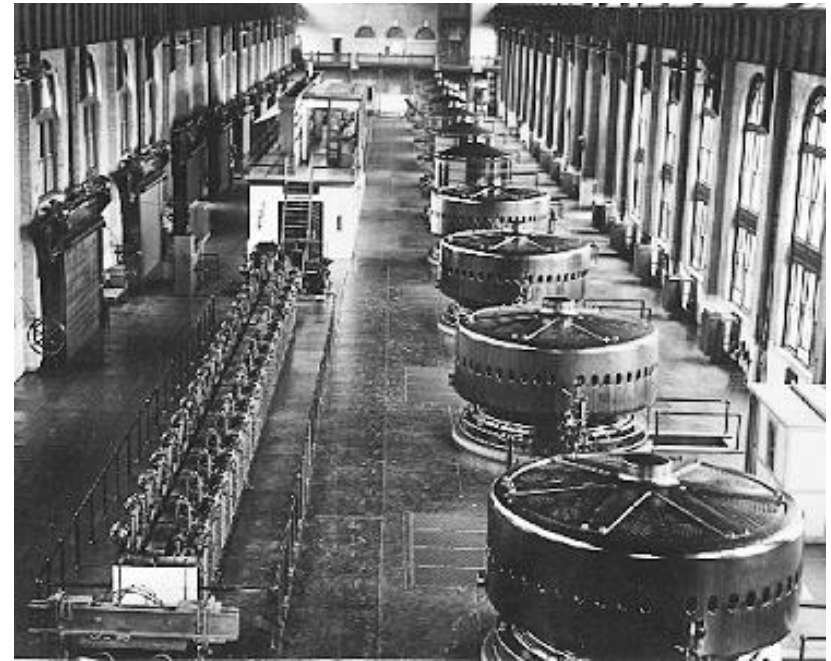
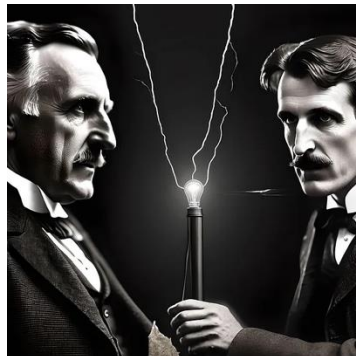


Tesla vs Edison

The 'War of the Currents'



1893: Tesla won the bid to light the Chicago Worlds Fair



1896: The power plant at Niagara Falls



Alternating Current





Voltage & Current Standards

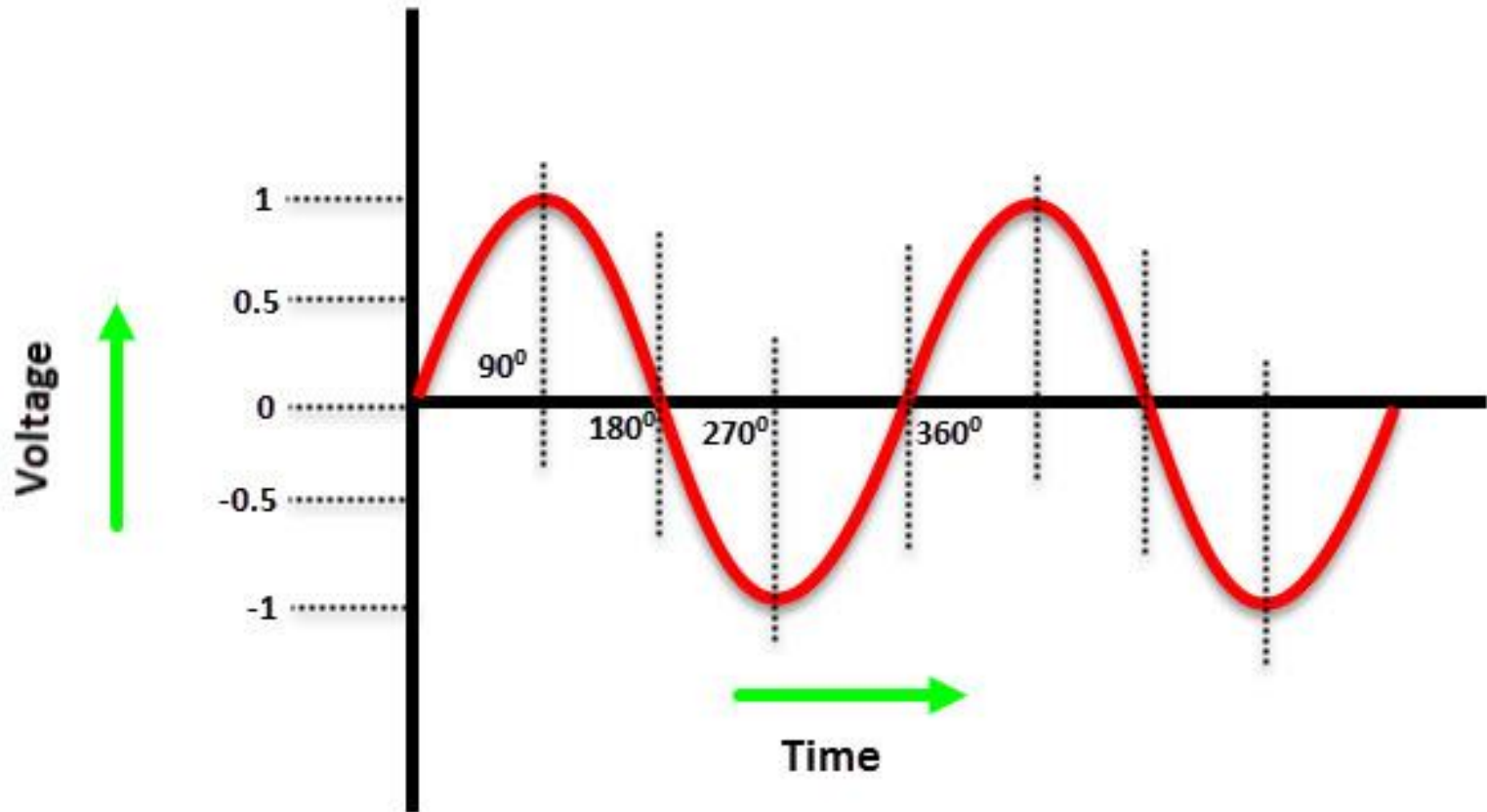


- US: 120v Single Phase/240v “split phase” 60hz
- EU: 230v Single Phase 50hz
- Larger vessels use 3ph power up
- US Docks: 30 and 50a
- EU Docks 16 and 32a
- Large docks up to 200a@480v!



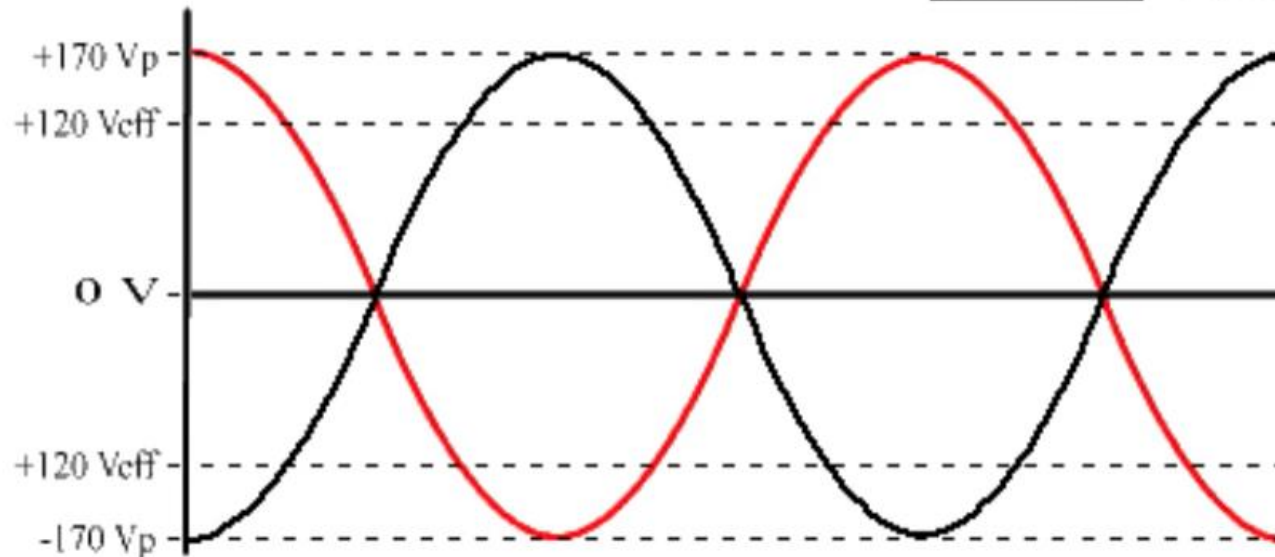
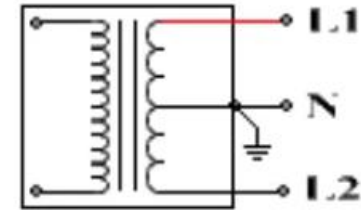


Single Phase



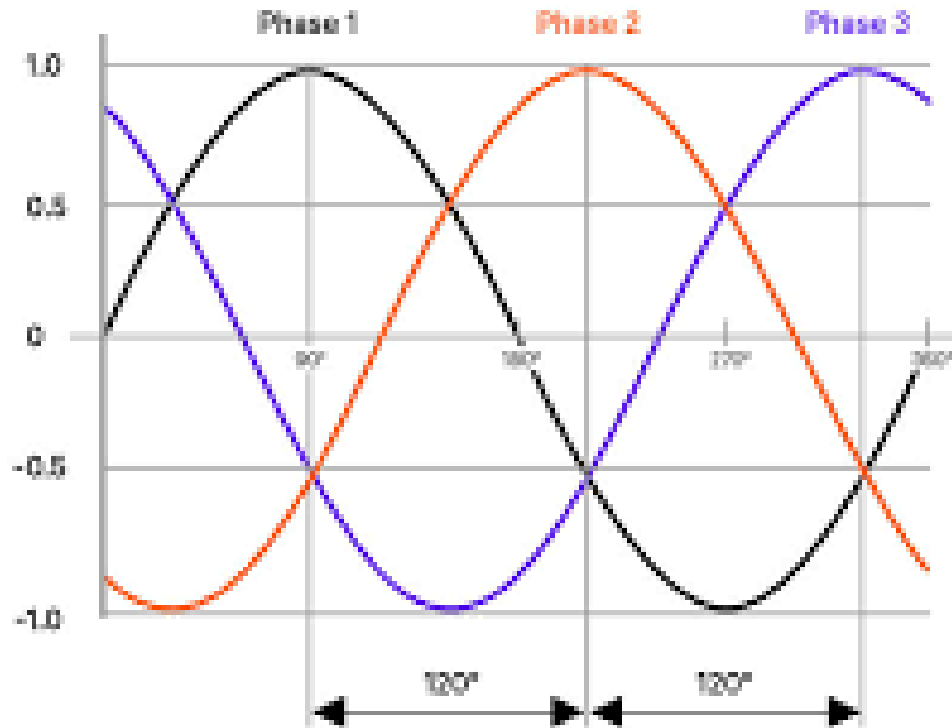
Split Phase

Waveform of a 240/120 Volt Single Phase System





Three Phase





Root Mean Square

$$I_{\text{RMS}} = I_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{T_2 - T_1} \int_{T_1}^{T_2} \frac{1 - \cos(2\omega t)}{2} dt}$$
$$= I_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{T_2 - T_1} \left[\frac{t}{2} - \frac{\sin(2\omega t)}{4\omega} \right]_{T_1}^{T_2}}$$

OR

Defined practically, the RMS value assigned to an AC signal is the amount of DC required to produce an equivalent amount of heat in the same load.

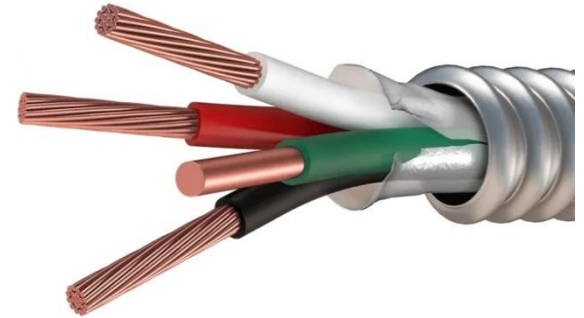


Conductor Phase and Ground



- Ungrounded Current Carrying Conductor
- Grounded Current Carrying Conductor
- Grounding Conductor

Ungrounded, Grounded, Grounding



Black, White, Red, Green
Brown, Blue, Green/Yellow

Main Breaker Panels

ELCIs and the 10' Rule





Generators





Generators



- Belt vs Direct Drive
- RPM determines HZ
- Wiring Issues
- Grounding Issues
- Using a Gas Suitcase Genset (Honda 2200 et al) on a Boat
- Load Tests
- What Do You Have?

Inverters

Inverter/Chargers

- Becoming Ubiquitous
- Sine Wave
- Power Factor
- Key Options
- A rare “Buy This Brand” recommendation





Safety



- The Codes, Regulations, and Recommendations are the MINIMUM
- Eye Protection Matters
- Good Tools are a SAFETY ISSUE
- A Few Good Stories



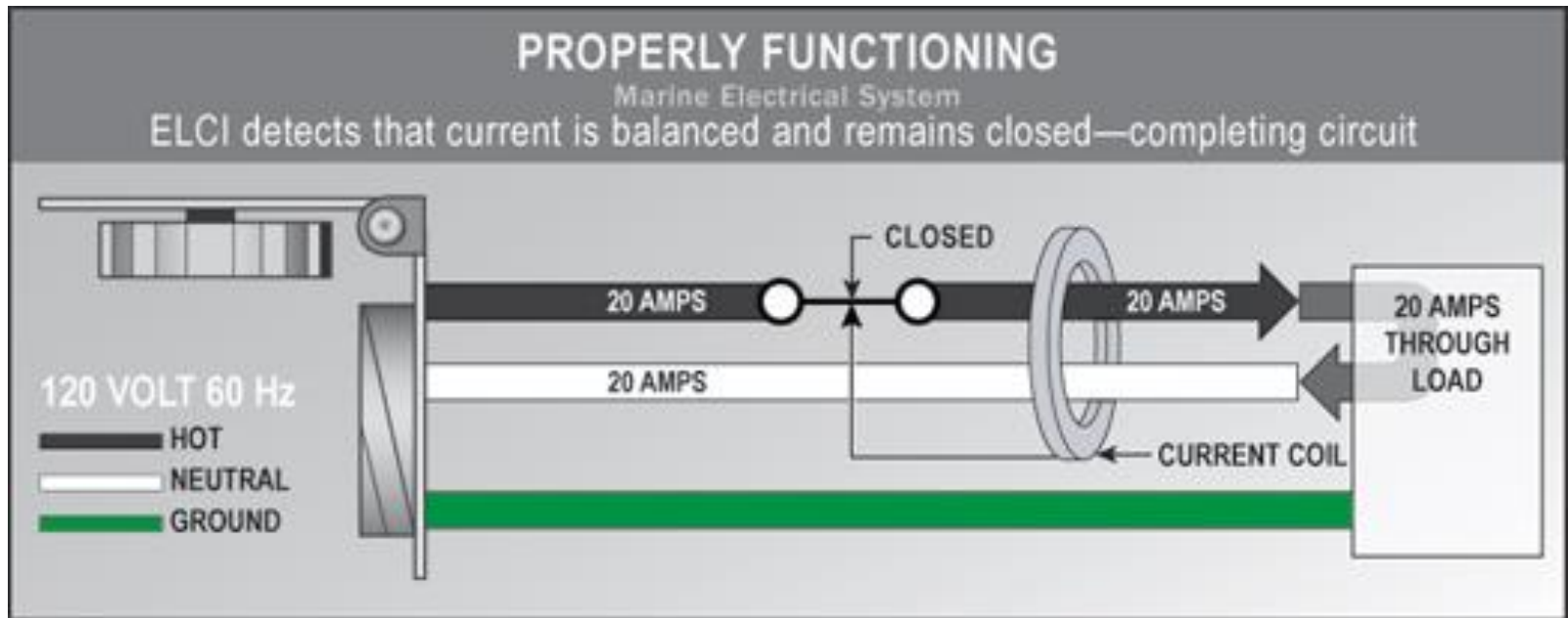
Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters

- Required where?
- How to test?
- EU vs US Standards
- Gas Boat?
- Some Additional Thoughts





ELCI's Finally Arrive



Measuring AC Electrical Leakage

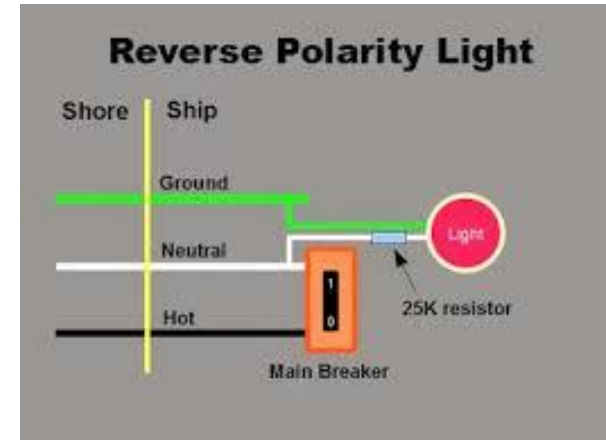


Polarity in AC



Reverse Polarity at the Outlet

What is Reverse Polarity





Last Issues



- Sources for Parts
- Sources for Tools
- Sources for Information
- Recommended Technicians



Sources for Parts

- [TE Connectivity](#)
- [MarineHowTo](#)
- [DigiKey](#)
- [Mouser](#)
- [PKYS](#)
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- [PKYS.com \(Peter Kennedy Yacht Services\)](#)
- [Ocean Planet Energy \(Nigel Calder et al\)](#)
- [TE Connectivity \(Terminals and Tools\)](#)
- [Pacer \(Wire\)](#)
- [FTZ & Temco](#)
<https://marinehowto.com/making-your-own-battery-cables/>



Sources for Information



- [MarineHowTo.com \(Rod Collins\)](#)
- [Boat Electrical Systems \(Facebook\)](#)
- [CBW.LLC \(My site, links for below coming!\)](#)
- [PANBO.COM \(Electronics\)](#)
- [BoatHowto.com \(Nigel Online Classes\)](#)
- [Steve D'Antonio Marine Consulting \(Great!\)](#)
- [James Coté Marine LLC \(Lightning, more\)](#)



Sources for Technicians



- [Ocean Planet Energy \(Maine\)](#)
- [Oxford Boatyard \(MD Eastern Shore\)](#)
- [MTS \(Deale\)](#)
- [Zimmerman Marine \(MD, VA, NC, SC\)](#)
- [Bradley Marine Services](#)

Wrapping Up

- Double Checking the List
- Your Goals (and Mine)
- Final Questions
- Take Aways





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TGIF!**