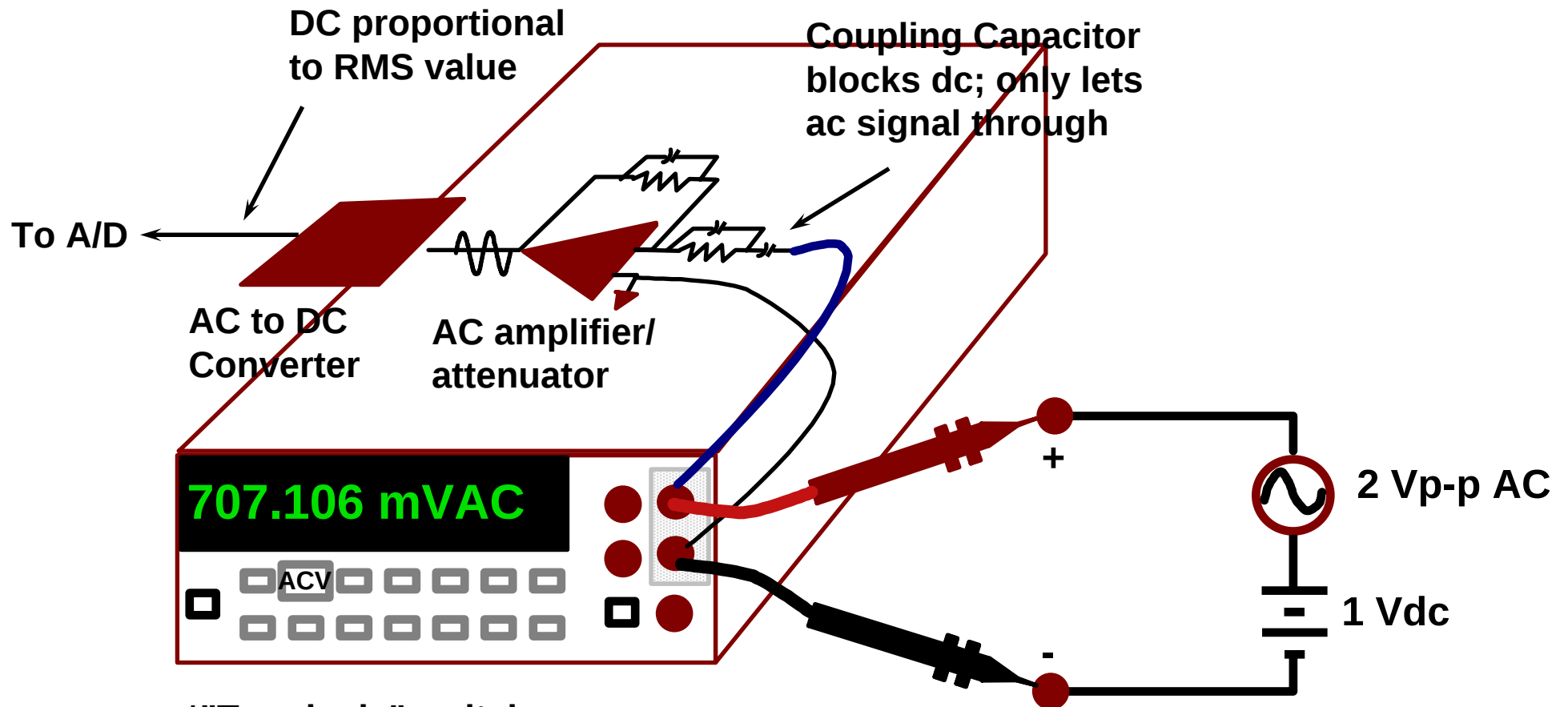
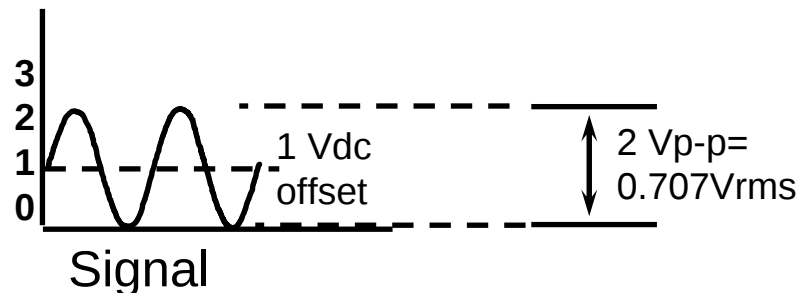


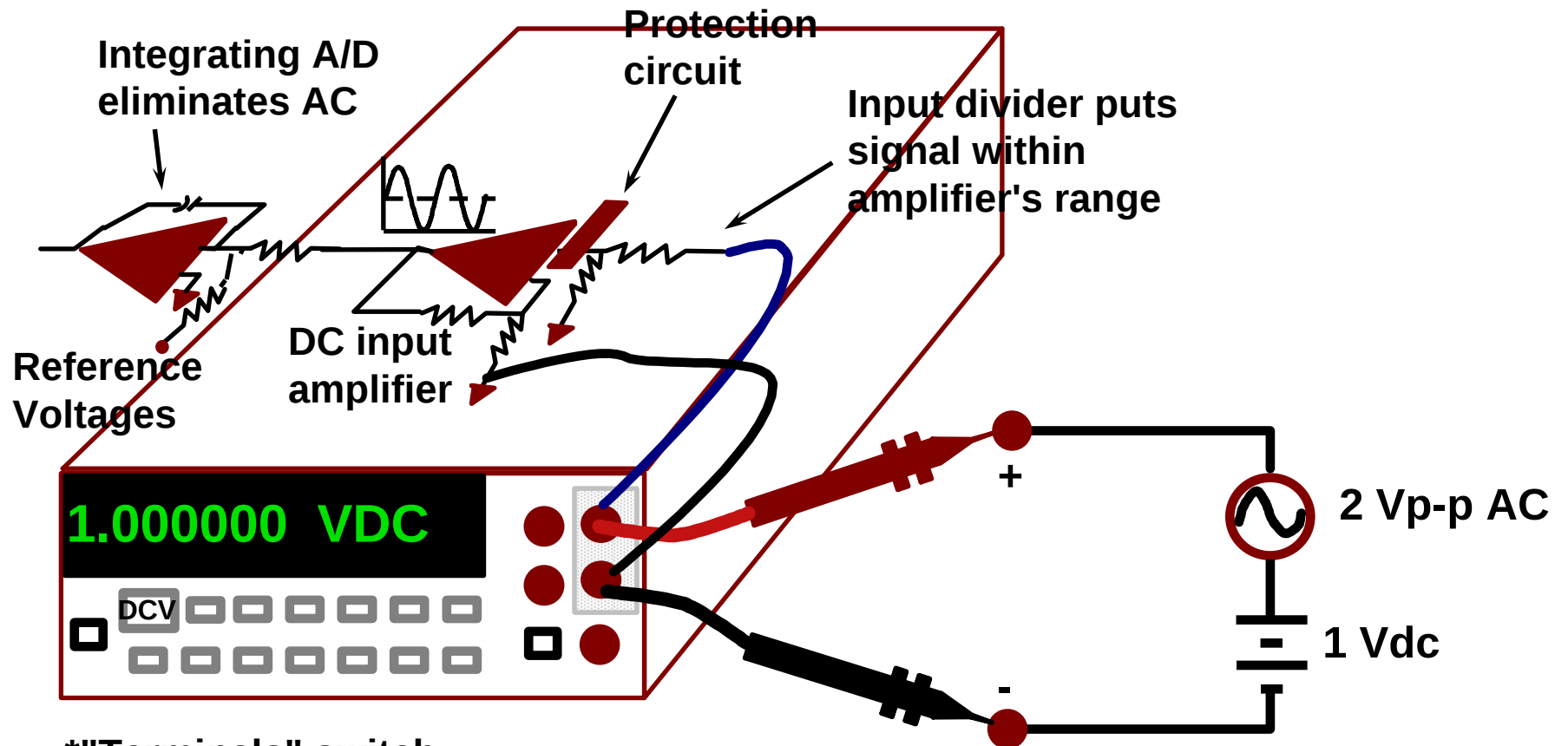
Measuring ACV



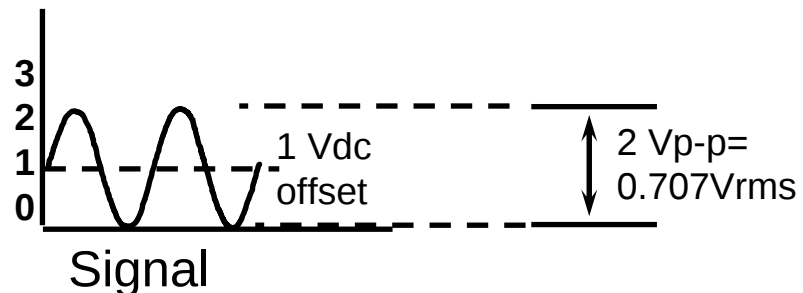
- *"Terminals" switch in "FRONT"
- * Press **ACV**
- * Note measurement indicates only the ac portion of signal



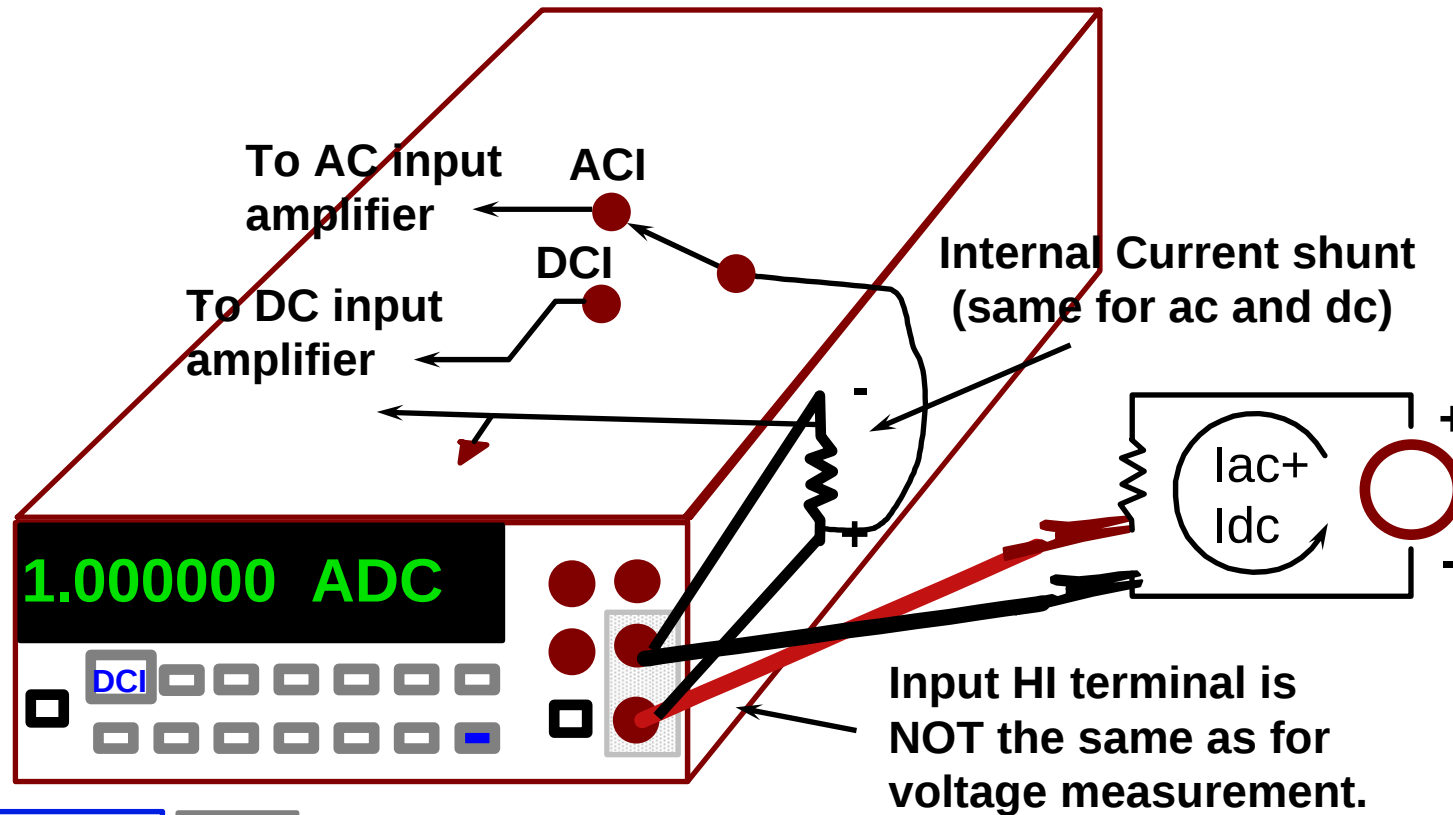
Measuring DCV



- * "Terminals" switch in "FRONT"
- * Press **DCV**
- * Note measurement indicates only the **dc** portion of signal



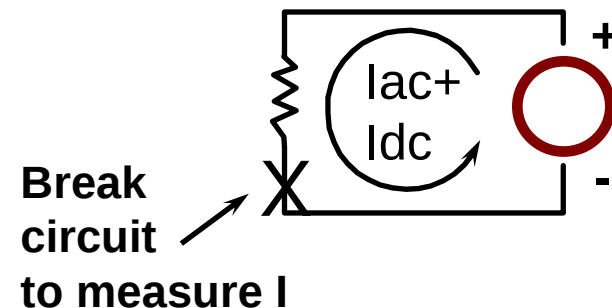
Measuring CURRENT



*** SHIFT** **DCV** = Measure DCI

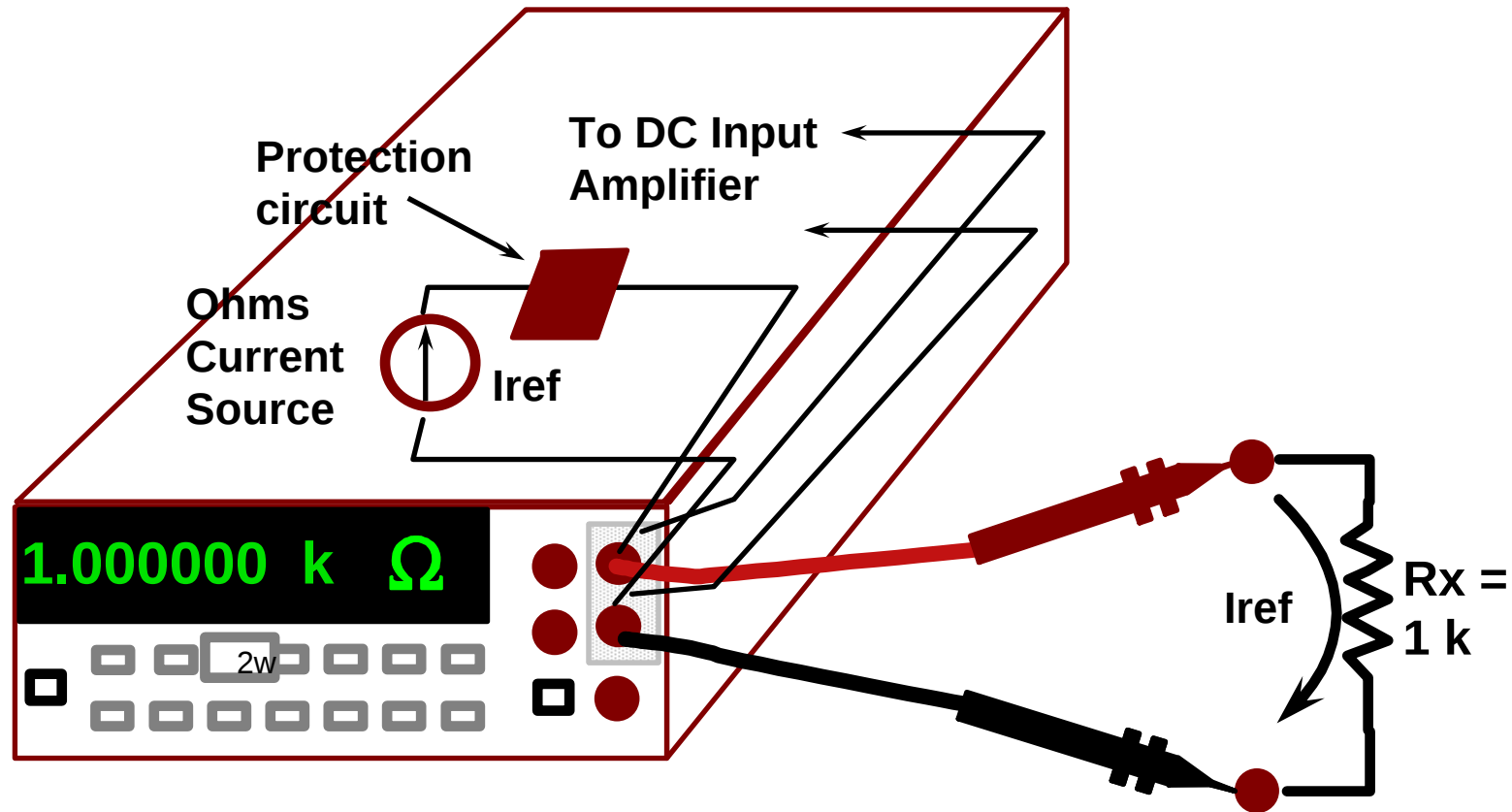
*** SHIFT** **ACV** = Measure ACI

*** Never hook current leads directly across a voltage source.**



Measuring Resistance

Two-Wire Technique



* "Terminals" switch in "FRONT"

* Press **2W**

* Since voltage is sensed at front terminals, measurement includes all lead resistance

* To eliminate the lead resistance:

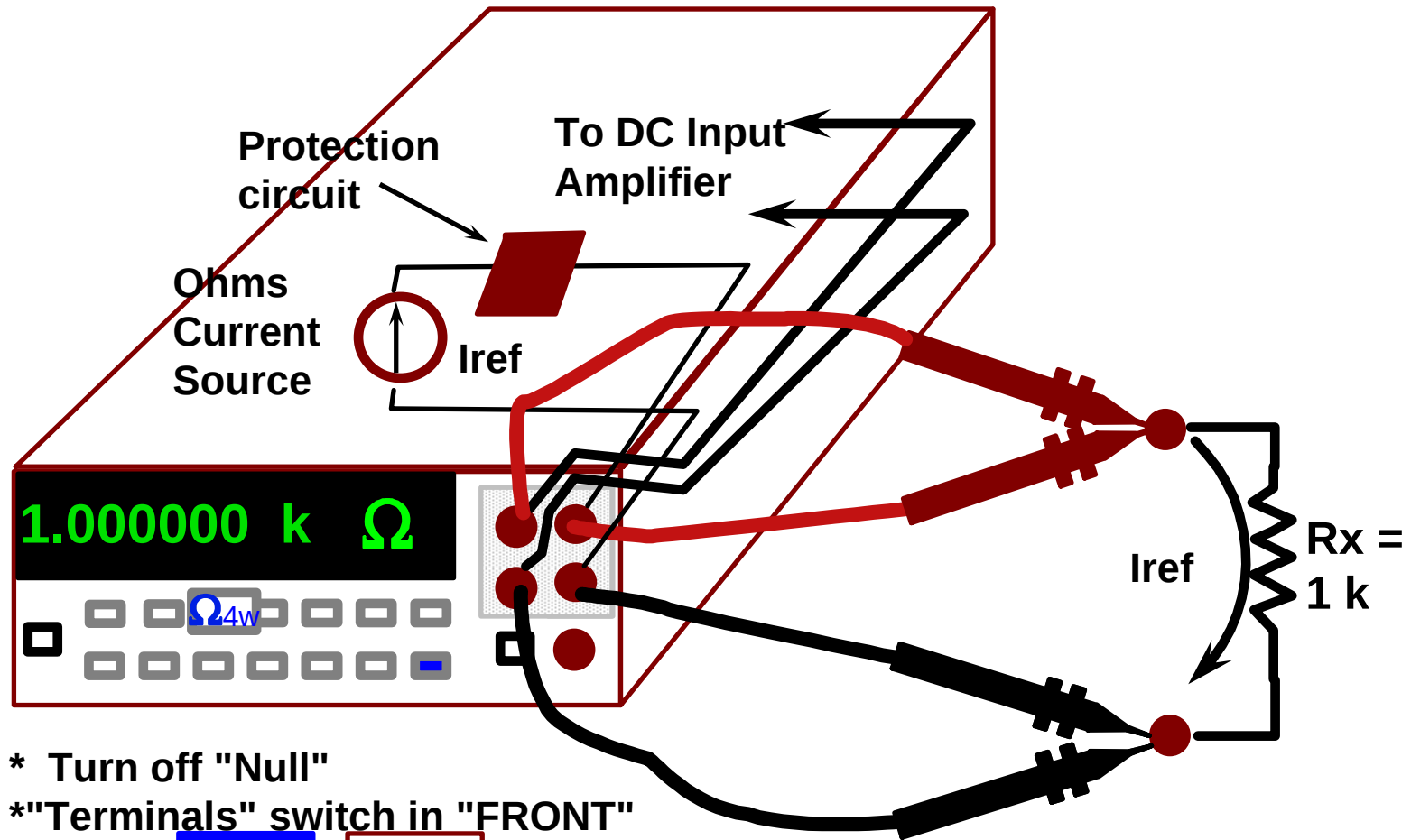
* Short leads together

* Press **Null**

* Original value will now be subtracted from each reading

Measuring Resistance

Four-Wire Technique



- * Turn off "Null"
- * "Terminals" switch in "FRONT"
- * Press **4W**
- * Voltage is now sensed directly at the resistor, so lead resistance is not a factor

* Because input impedance of DC Input Amplifier is so high, no current flows through sense leads, hence no lead resistance error

RMS: Root-Mean-Square

* RMS is a measure of a signal's average power. Instantaneous power delivered to a resistor is: $P = [v(t)]^2 / R$. To get average power, integrate and divide by the period:

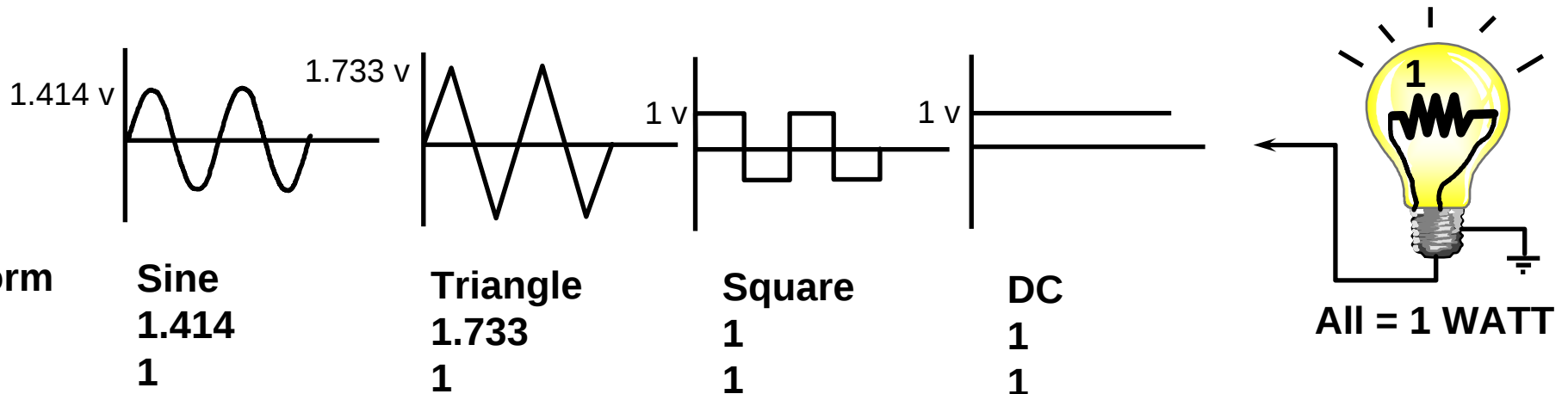
$$P_{avg} = \frac{1}{R} \left(\frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [v^2(t)] dt \right) = \frac{(V_{rms})^2}{R}$$

Solving for V_{rms} :

$$V_{rms} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_{t_0}^{t_0+T} [v^2(t)] dt \right)}$$

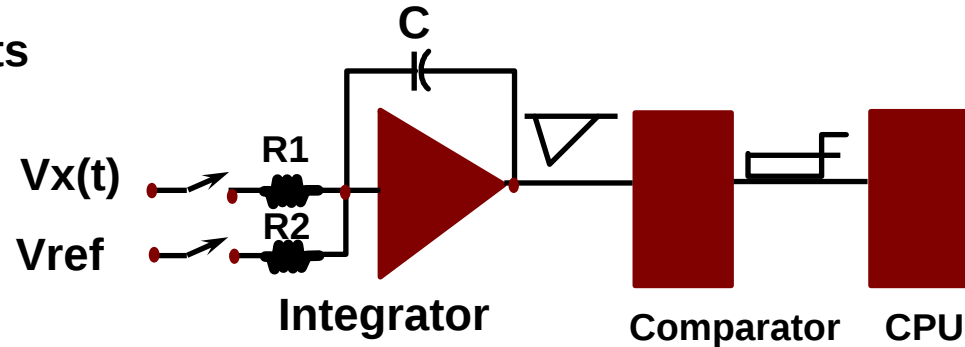
* An AC voltage with a given RMS value has the same heating (power) effect as a DC voltage with that same value.

* All the following voltage waveforms have the same RMS value, and should indicate 1.000 VAC on an rms meter:



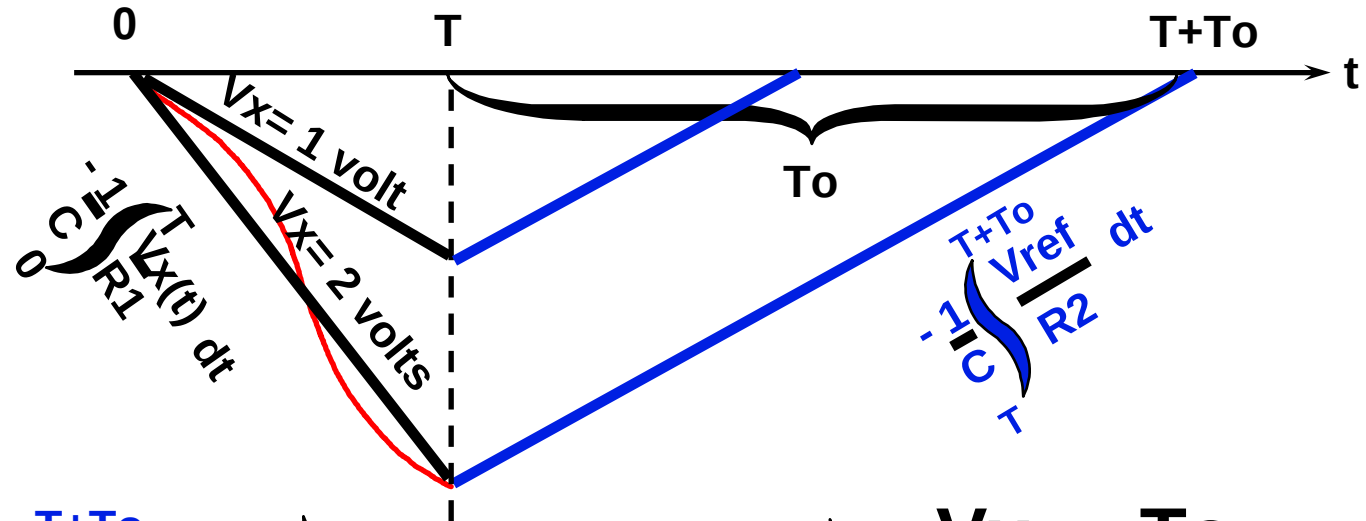
Integrating A/D

- 1) Converts voltage to time to digits
- 2) Integrator is a line-frequency filter
- 3) Integrator is a low-pass filter



Integrator:

$$V_{out} = -\frac{1}{C} \int_0^T i(t) dt$$



$$\text{If } R1=R2 \Rightarrow \int_0^T Vx dt = \int_T^{T+To} -Vref dt \Rightarrow T \cdot Vx = To \cdot (-Vref) \Rightarrow \frac{Vx}{-Vref} = \frac{To}{T}$$

T is fixed at one cycle of 50 Hz or 60 Hz to eliminate line noise; Vref is fixed; R, C and Time are all ratioed, so accuracy is excellent.

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Hints for Accurate Measurements:

Measure as near full scale as possible

Measure a RATIO rather than an absolute value