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COURSE NAME: 23EET206/ Measurements and Instrumentation

II YEAR / IV SEMESTER

UNIT 1- FUNDAMENTALS OF MEASUREMENT

Topic 4 – Types and sources of Errors in measurements



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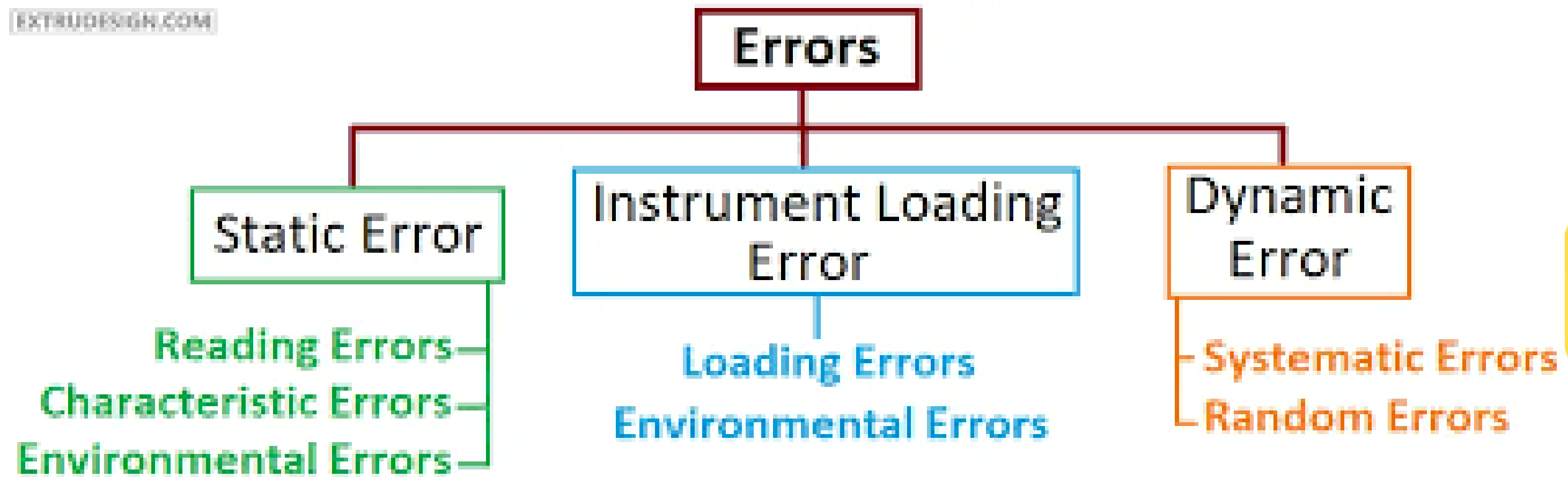
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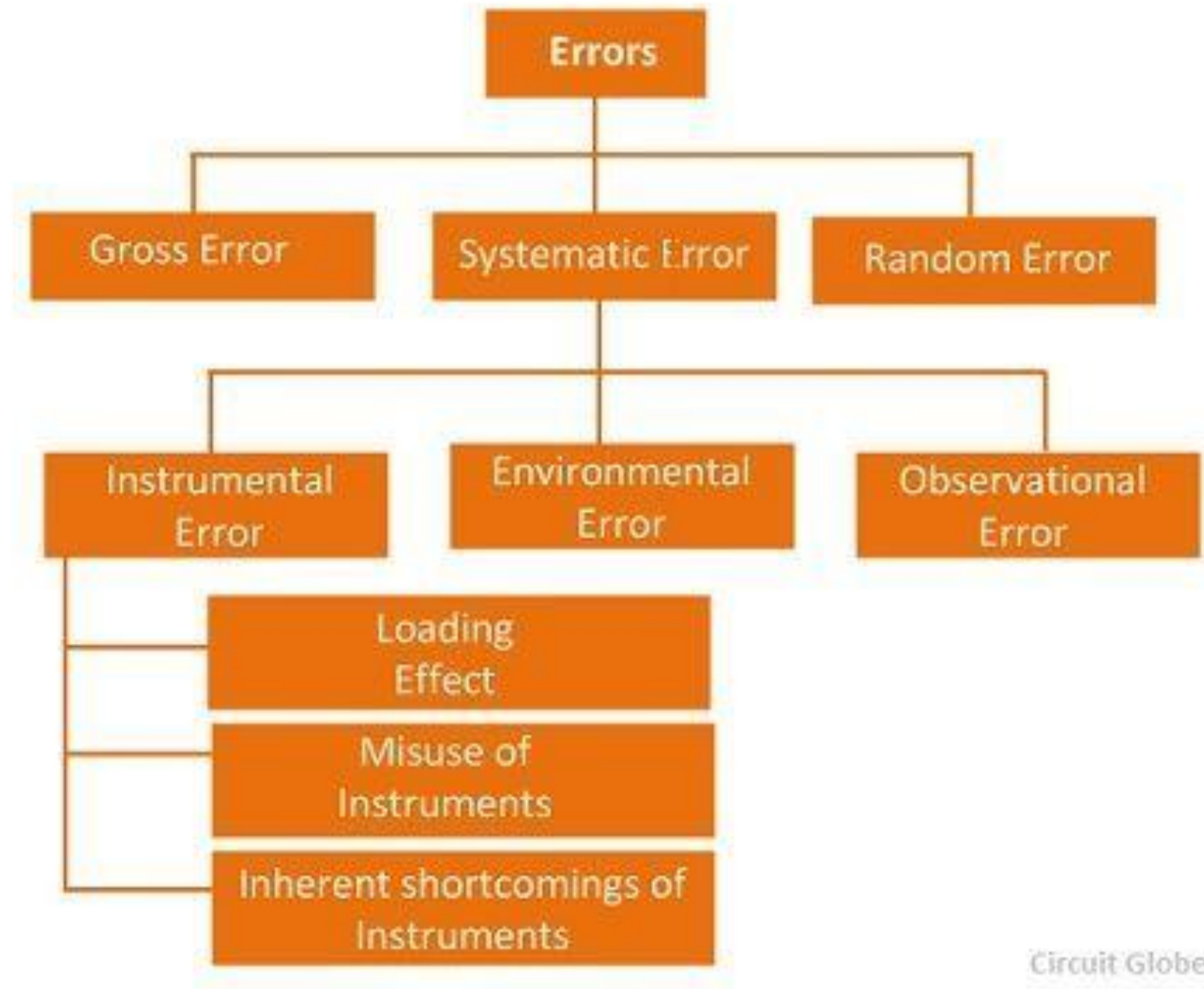
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1. Gross Errors

The gross error occurs because of the human mistakes. For examples consider the person using the instruments takes the wrong reading, or they can record the incorrect data. Such type of error comes under the gross error. The gross error can only be avoided by taking the reading carefully.

For example – The experimenter reads the 31.5°C reading while the actual reading is 21.5°C . This happens because of the oversights. The experimenter takes the wrong reading and because of which the error occurs in the measurement.

Such type of error is very common in the measurement. The complete elimination of such type of error is not possible. Some of the gross error easily detected by the experimenter but some of them are difficult to find. Two methods can remove the gross error.

2. Systematic Errors

The systematic errors are mainly classified into three categories.

1. Instrumental Errors
2. Environmental Errors
3. Observational Errors

First order instrument

A large number of instruments are first order. This is of particular importance in control systems where it is necessary to take account of the time lag that occurs between a measured quantity changing in value and the measuring instrument indicating the change. Fortunately, the time constant of many first order instruments is small relative to the dynamics of the process being measured, and so no serious problems are created.

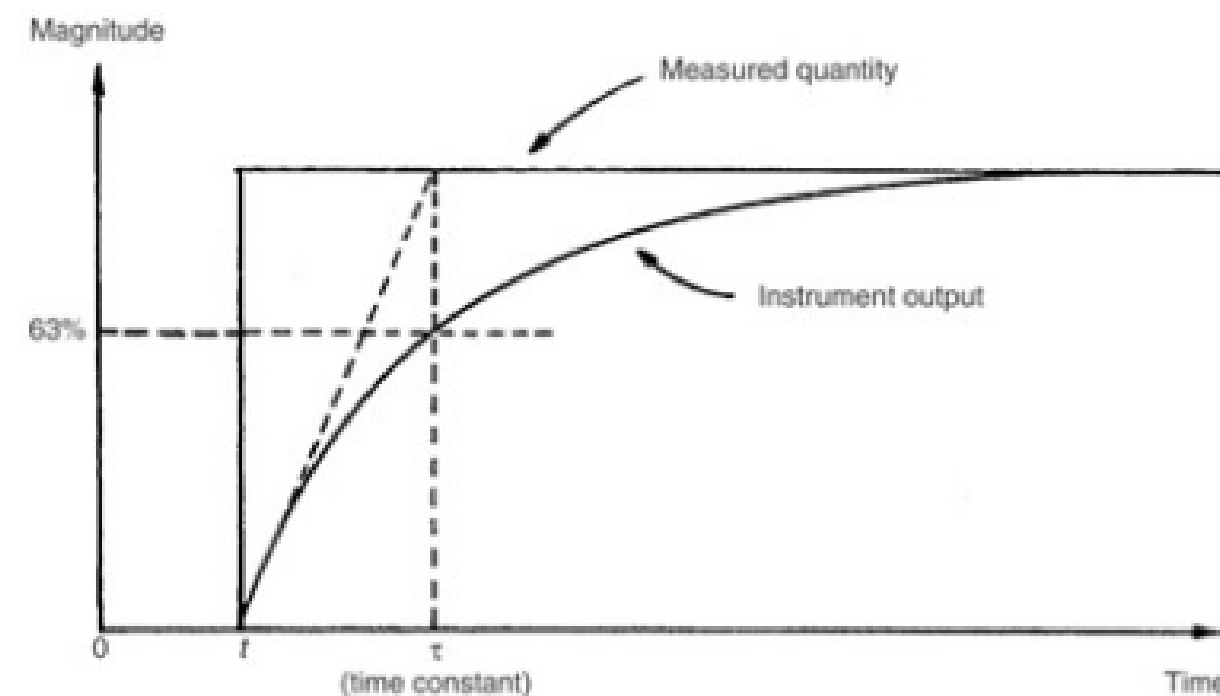


Fig. 2.11 First order instrument characteristic.



Second order instruments

The standard equation for a second order system or instrument is given by

$$a_2 \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + a_1 \frac{dy}{dt} + a_0 y = b_0 u$$

Which is usually written as

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 2\eta\omega_n \frac{dy}{dt} + \omega_n^2 y = K\omega_n^2 u$$

Where ω_n is the undamped natural frequency and η is the damping ratio and K is the gain.





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