

Title (en)

LINEARIZATION CIRCUIT AND METHOD FOR LINEARIZING A MEASUREMENT SIGNAL

Title (de)

LINEARISIERUNGSSCHALTUNG UND VERFAHREN ZUM LINEARISIEREN EINES MESSIGNALS

Title (fr)

CIRCUIT DE LINÉARISATION ET PROCÉDÉ DE LINÉARISATION D'UN SIGNAL DE MESURE

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Abstract (en)

[origin: WO2018108216A1] The invention relates to a linearization circuit for linearizing a measurement signal, wherein the linearization circuit has an input for inputting the measurement signal ( $U_d$ ) and an output for outputting a linearized output signal. The linearization circuit comprises a reference component, a charging and discharging controller (7) and a comparator circuit (10). The reference component has a non-linear dependence on current or voltage and is preferably formed by a coil (L) or a capacitor (C). The charging and discharging controller (7) is designed to control alternating charging and discharging of the reference component. The voltage across the reference component or a voltage derived from a current flowing through the reference component forms a reference signal ( $U_c$ ) or an alternating component of a reference signal ( $U_c$ ). The charging and discharging are controlled in such a way that the reference signal ( $U_c$ ) has a substantially periodic curve. The reference signal ( $U_c$ ) and the measurement signal ( $U_d$ ) are input into the comparator circuit (10), which comprises a first input (11), a second input (12) and an output; specifically, the reference signal ( $U_c$ ) is input into the first input (11) and the measurement signal ( $U_d$ ) is input into the second input (12). The comparator circuit (10) is designed to produce and output at the output thereof a square-wave signal ( $U_a$ ) on the basis of a reference time point during a charge-discharge cycle and a result of a comparison of the reference signal ( $U_c$ ) with the measurement signal ( $U_d$ ), the square-wave signal representing a linearized output signal. The invention further relates to a corresponding method.

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