

Student-generated Video Tutorials for Electronic Lab-based Learning and Teaching

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Background

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From the Flipped Classroom to the Flipped Laboratory

- ▶ Video tutorials play important roles in education with the development of the approach of “flipped classroom”
- ▶ Learning contents are delivered through “videos” or other multimedia channels before the class
- ▶ More time can be then saved for student-centred activities



“This isn't what I imagined when they said 'flipped classroom'!”

From the Flipped Classroom to the Flipped Laboratory- Cont'd

- ▶ Lab-based learning and teaching is practice-oriented and project-based
- ▶ Students take a leading role and receive support from coordinator
- ▶ Laboratory-based Learning and Teaching are naturally flipped



Existing issues for current lab-based learning and teaching

- ▶ Key information easily missed in traditional teaching channels
 - ▶ Lack of effective method to keep students involved before the lab
 - ▶ Too much hands-on technical information
 - ▶ Lack of effective communication channels



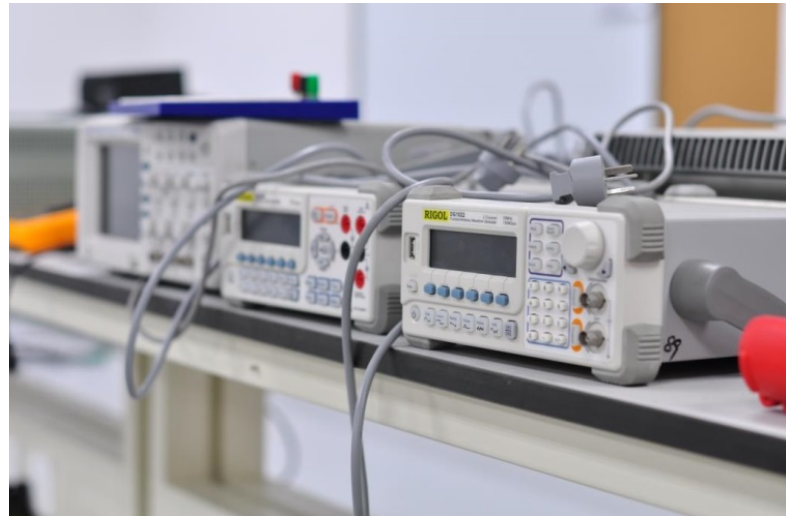
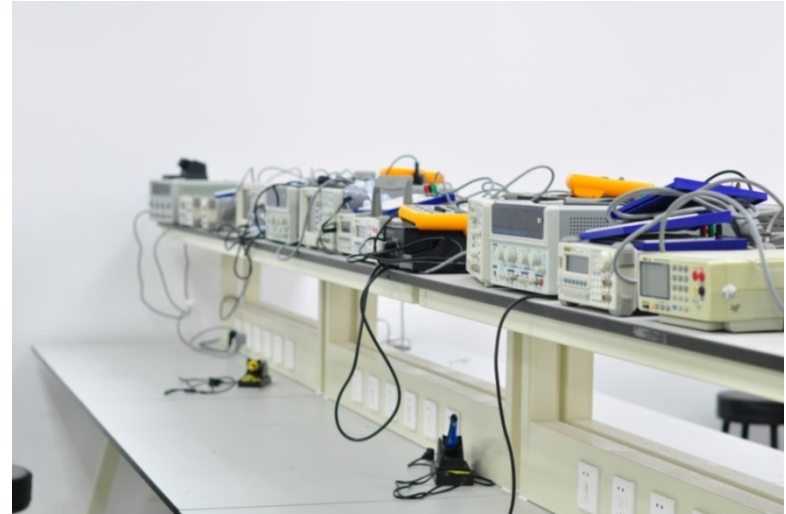
Student generated video tutorial on Lab Instruments

- ▶ Students help students to **motivate** students
- ▶ Flipped laboratory to **prepare** students
- ▶ Video tutorials to **instruct students** with better communications



Why Lab Instruments First?

- ▶ We selected 4 most commonly used instruments in electronic laboratory:
 - ▶ oscilloscope,
 - ▶ Multimeter
 - ▶ DC power sources
 - ▶ AC signal generator
- ▶ The videos can be shared across different modules and receive the widest interests within the department.



Project Implementation

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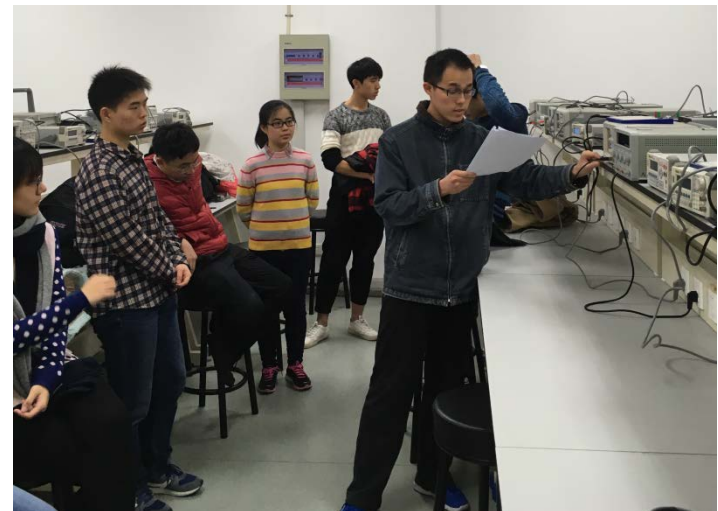
Implementations: Volunteer Recruitments

- ▶ One project manager: a year-three student Mr. Xiaoyang Wang
- ▶ 9 Volunteers in 5 groups from year-two students

Task	No. of Volunteer Needed
Oscilloscope	2
DC Power supplier	2
Multimeters	2
AC Signal Generator	2
Video editing	1

Implementations: Training and Preparation

- ▶ Previous experiences of using the lab instruments add into student perspectives
- ▶ Project participants well awarded by the detailed feedbacks provided during training
- ▶ Grouped in pair to invoke team work and promote active learning



Implementations: video making



Implementations: Video Distribution on ICE

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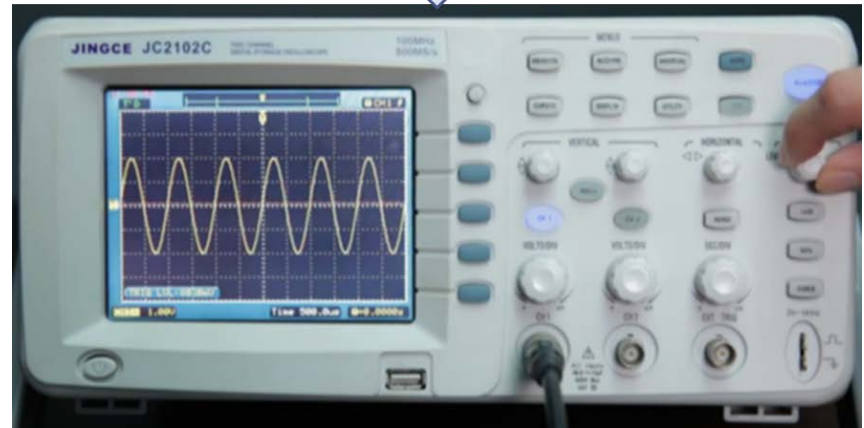
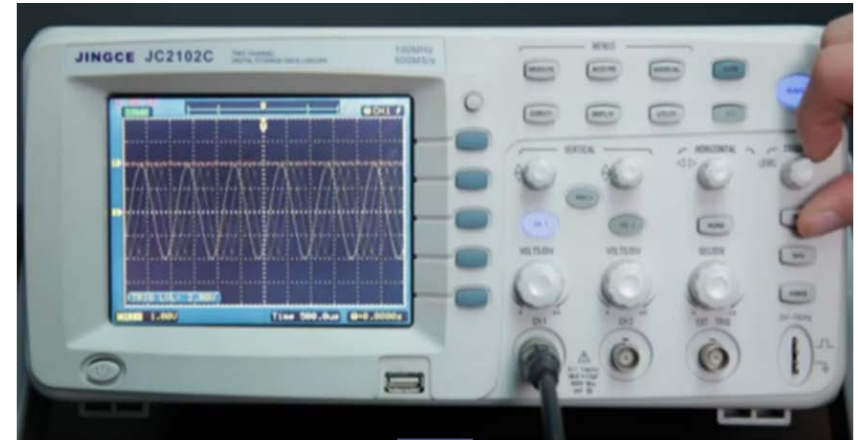
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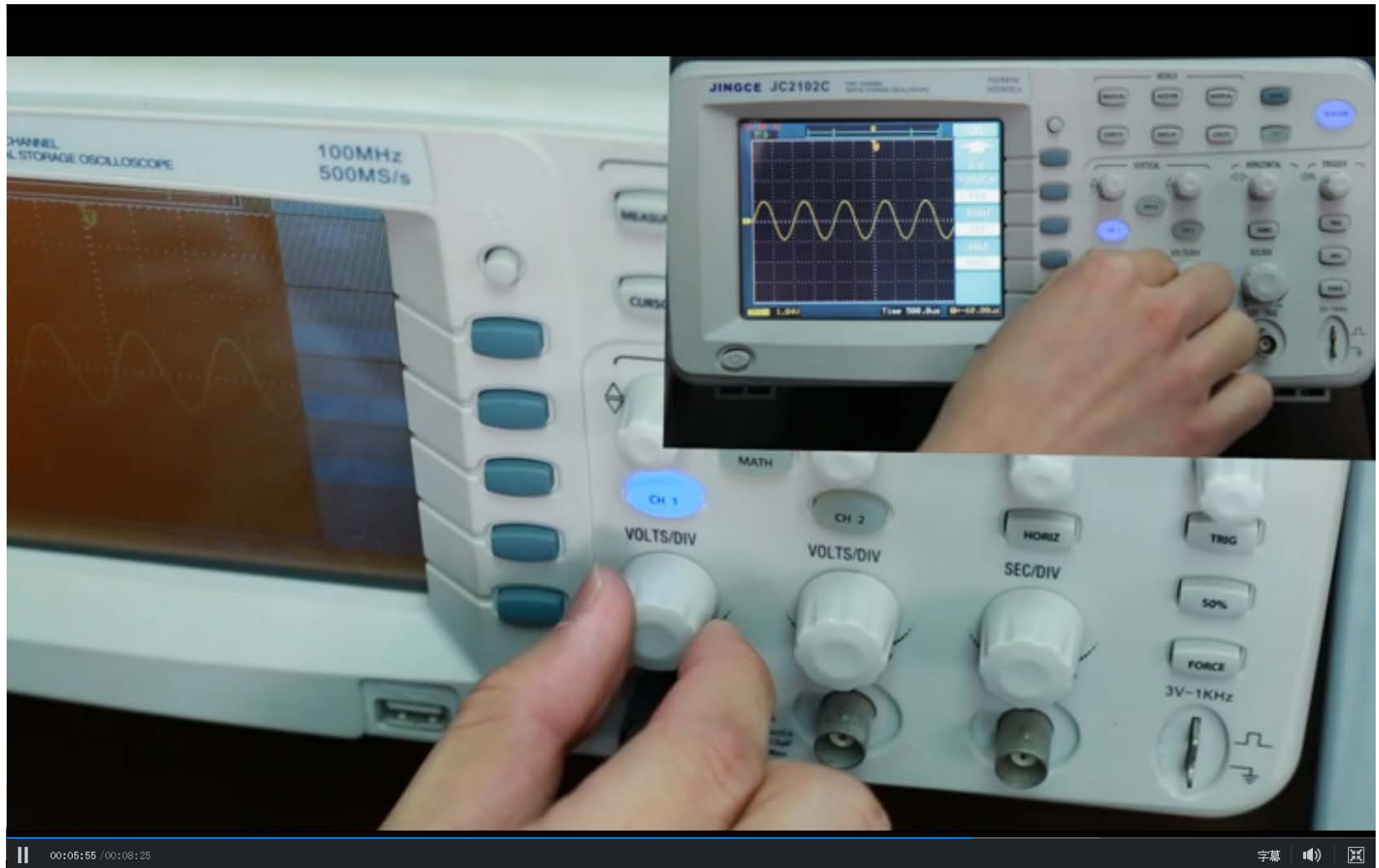
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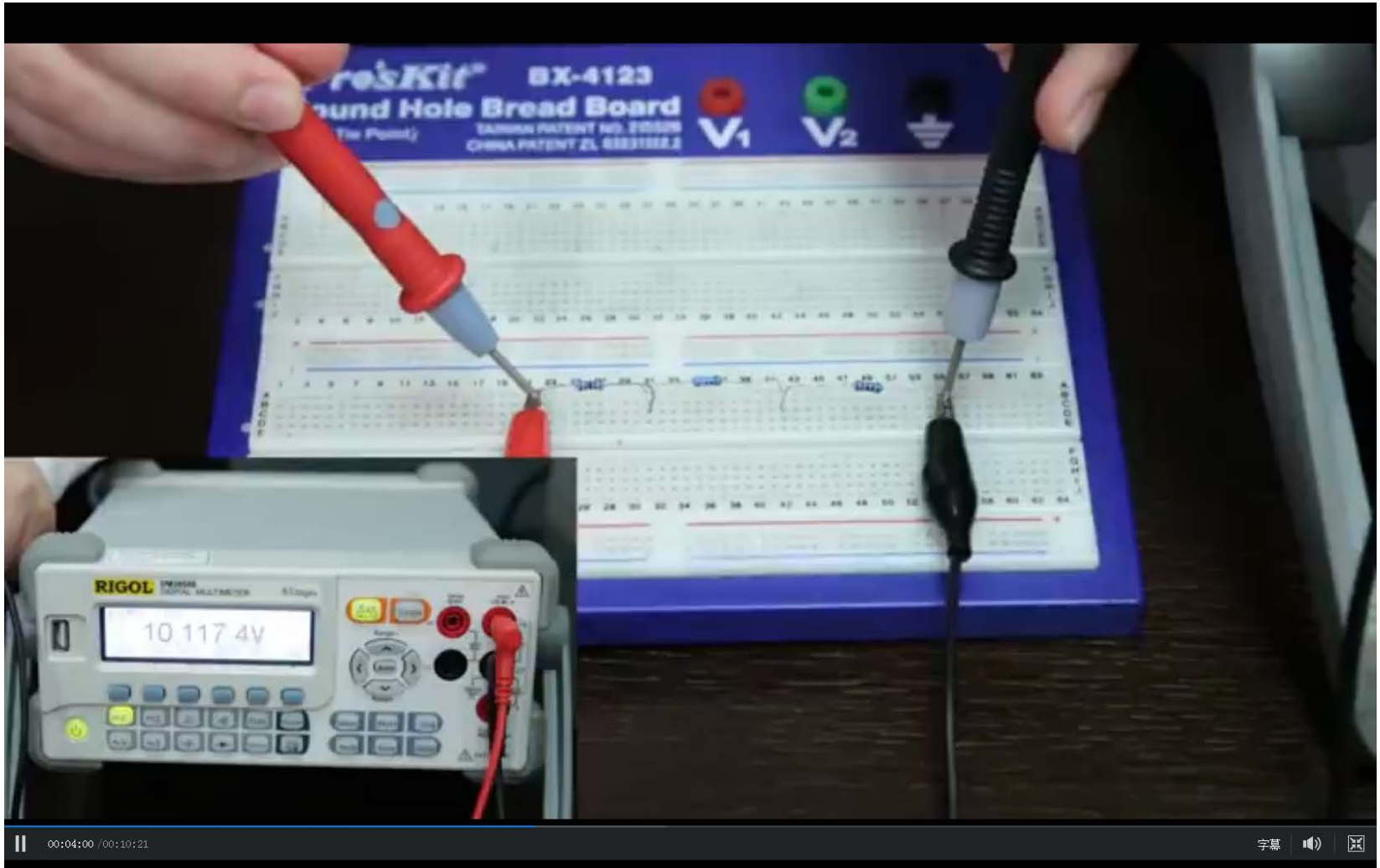
- ▶ Carefully designed and tailored
- ▶ Seamlessly integrate the theoretical and practical information
- ▶ Full details presented



Video Tutorials- Cont'd



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Feedbacks from Students

- ▶ 84% of responding students strongly agree or agree that the video tutorials **helped them improve relevant lab skills**.
- ▶ 86% of responding students **prefer watch videos** rather than instructions in texts or pictures.
- ▶ 82% of responding students strongly or agree that the video tutorials are **clear and easy to understand**.



Sample Video Tutorials- Multimeters



Conclusions and Acknowledgements

Conclusions

- ▶ Video tutorials are found to be an effective way of addressing current issues in lab-based learning and teaching
- ▶ Student volunteers involved in the video making process provide extra advantages
- ▶ Video tutorials have been applied in year-two modules and received positive feedbacks
- ▶ Further study need to consider the exploitation of similar methods in flipped classroom, e.g. student volunteers and project assessment based on videos

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AC Signal Generator	Li Xiaoting & Zhu Di
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