## Electricity & Components

# Electricity will always follow the path of least resistance



#### Anode vs Cathode

- An anode is an <u>electrode</u> through which positive <u>electric charge</u> flows into a polarized electrical device.
  - Anode Current Into Device
  - Anode is usually the positive pole (+)
- A cathode is the <u>electrode</u> from which a <u>conventional current</u> leaves a polarized electrical device.
  - cathode current departs
  - Cathode is usually the negative pole (-)

### Watts = Volts \* Amps

#### Water Analogy

Understand the relationship between Volts and Amps

Volts - Size of the pipe

Amps - Water Pressure

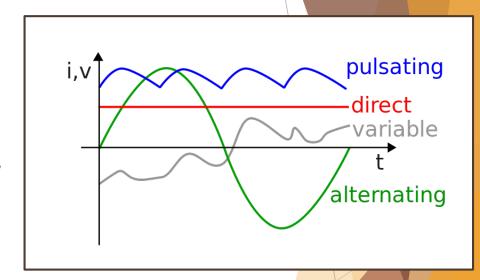
#### AC vs DC

#### **Alternating Current**

The flow of <u>electric charge</u> periodically reverses direction

#### **Direct Current**

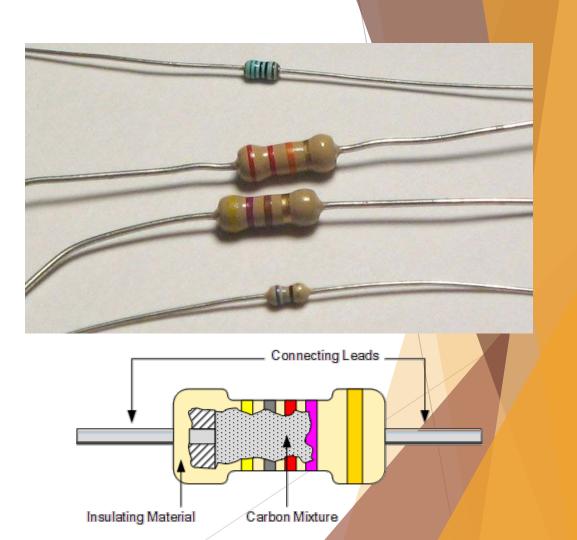
► The flow of electric charge is only in one direction.



#### Resistor

Resistors act to reduce current flow, and, at the same time, act to lower voltage levels within circuits.

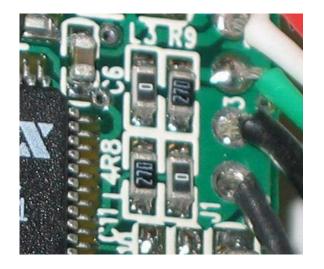
Measured in Ohms



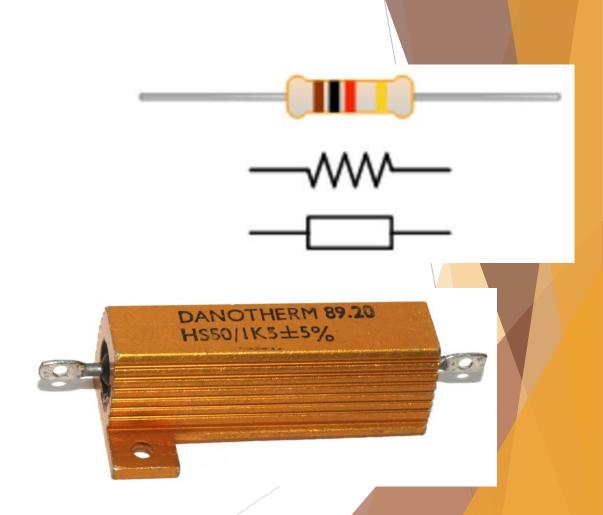
#### Resistor - Ohm's Law

- Ohm's law states that the voltage (V) across a resistor is proportional to the current (I), where the constant of proportionality is the resistance (R).
- For example, if a 300 ohm resistor is attached across the terminals of a 12 volt battery, then a current of 12 / 300 = 0.04 amperes flows through that resistor.

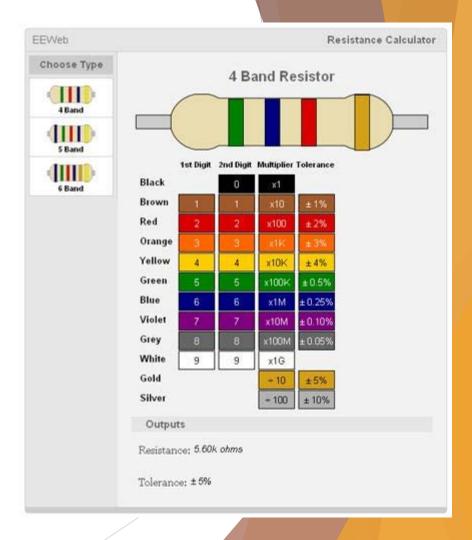
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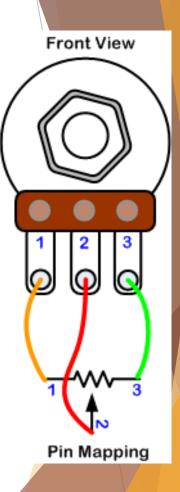


#### Potentiometer - Pot

Variable Resistor

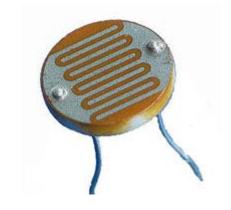






#### Other Variable Resistors



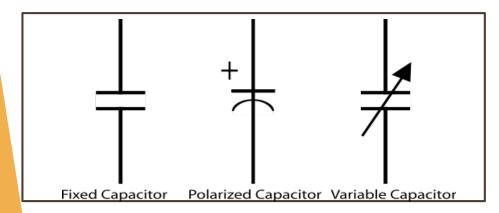


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#### Capacitor

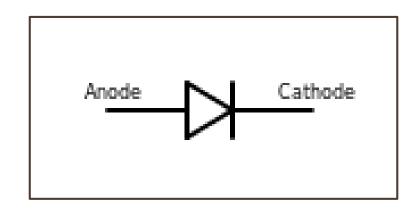
- Used to store energy
- Measured in farads
- Common types are: Ceramic or Electrolytic
- Electrolytic have polarity (+ Long leg and is the short leg)
- Ceramic no polarity

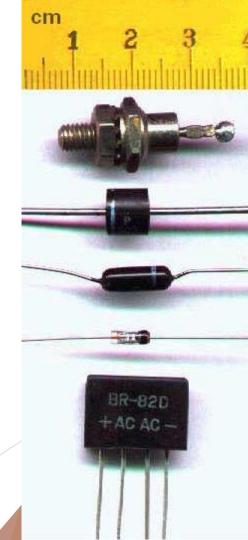




#### Diode

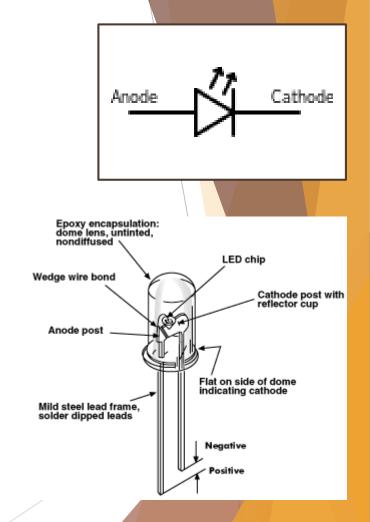
► The most common function of a diode is to allow an electric current to pass in one direction (called the diode's forward direction), while blocking current in the opposite direction (the reverse direction).





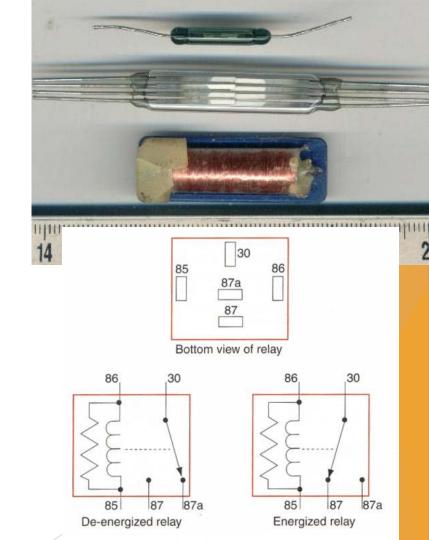
#### LED - Light Emitting Diode

- two-lead <u>semiconductor</u> light source
- Has polarity
- Long leg Anode (Positive +)
- Short leg Cathode (Negative -)



#### Relay

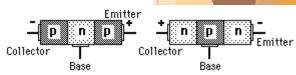
- <u>electrically</u> operated <u>switch</u>.
- Many relays use an <u>electromagnet</u> to mechanically operate a switch
- Relays are used where it is necessary to control a circuit by a low-power signal (with complete electrical isolation between control and controlled circuits), or where several circuits must be controlled by one signal.
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L hv2SZmIk\_Q

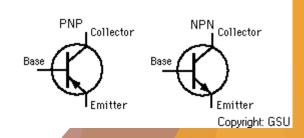


#### **Transistor**

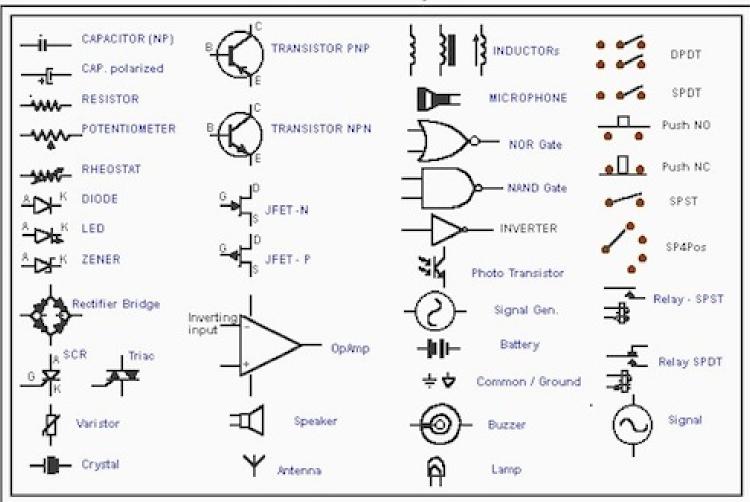
- <u>semiconductor device</u> used to <u>amplify</u> and <u>switch</u> <u>electronic</u> signals and <u>electrical power</u>
- 2 main types NPN and PNP
  - **NPN** 
    - Add a positive charge to make a connection between 2 negative signals
  - PNP
    - Add a negative charge to make a connection between 2 positive signals





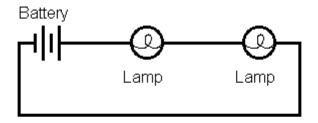


#### Some Basic electronic symbols



#### Series vs Parallel

#### **SERIES**



#### **PARALLEL**

