Actuators

- A mechanism that converts energy into mechanical motion
 - Hydraulic
 - Pneumatic
 - Electric
 - Magnetic
 - Mechanical
 - Bio-hybrid
 - Light-driven
 - Thermal

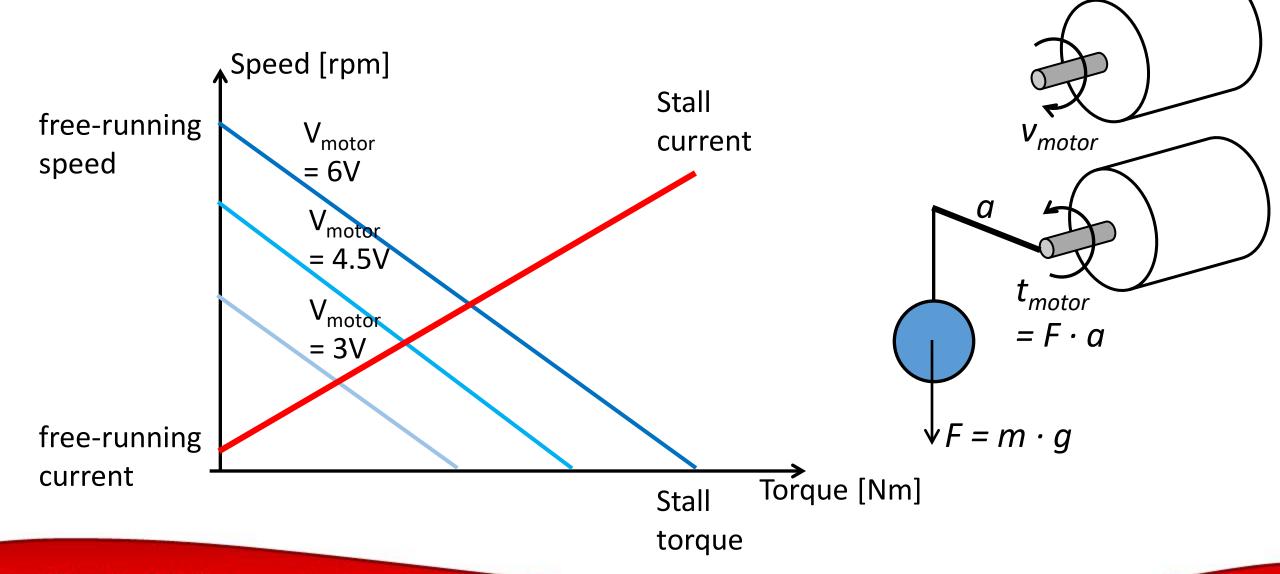


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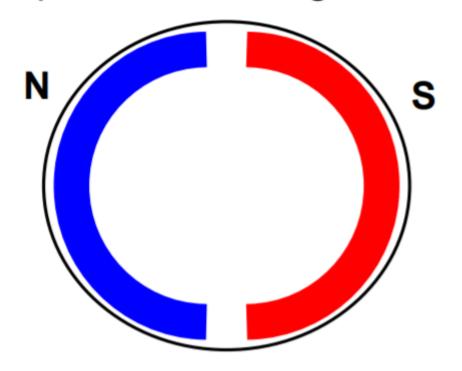
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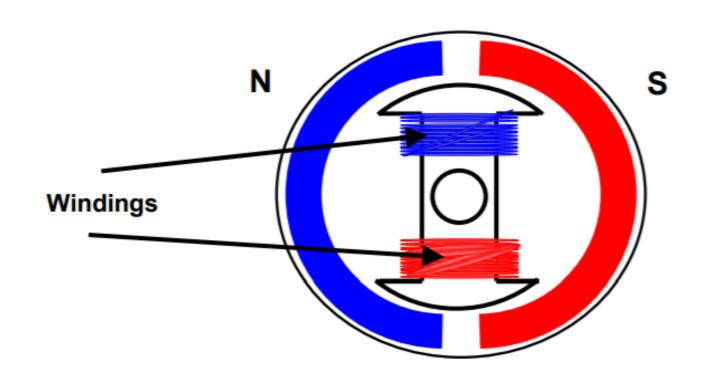




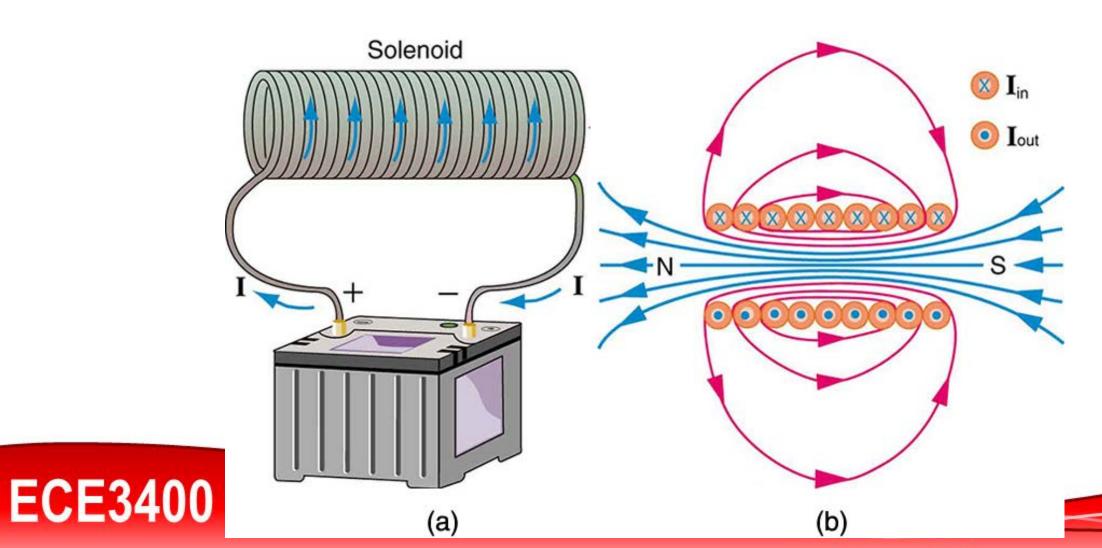


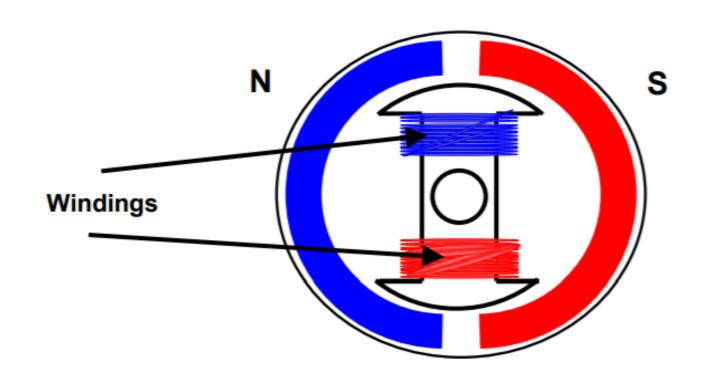
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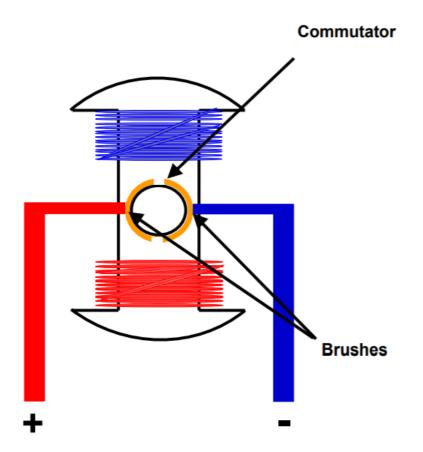


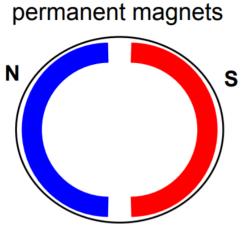


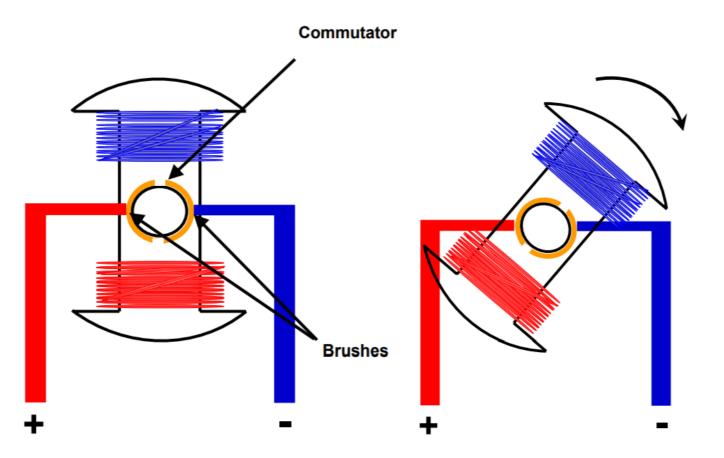
Ampere's Right Hand Rule

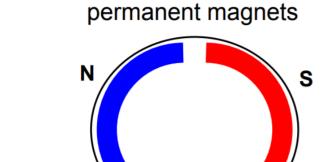


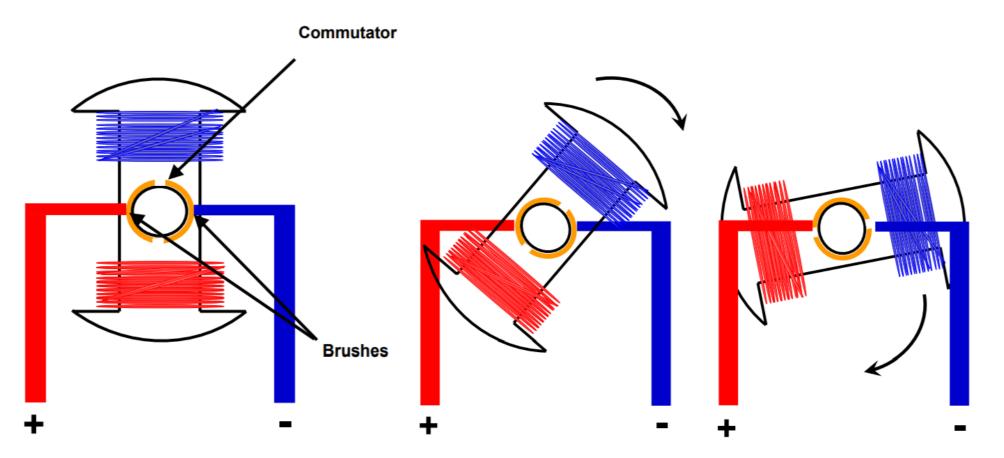


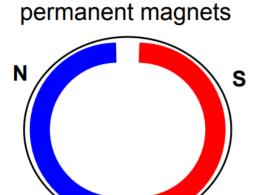


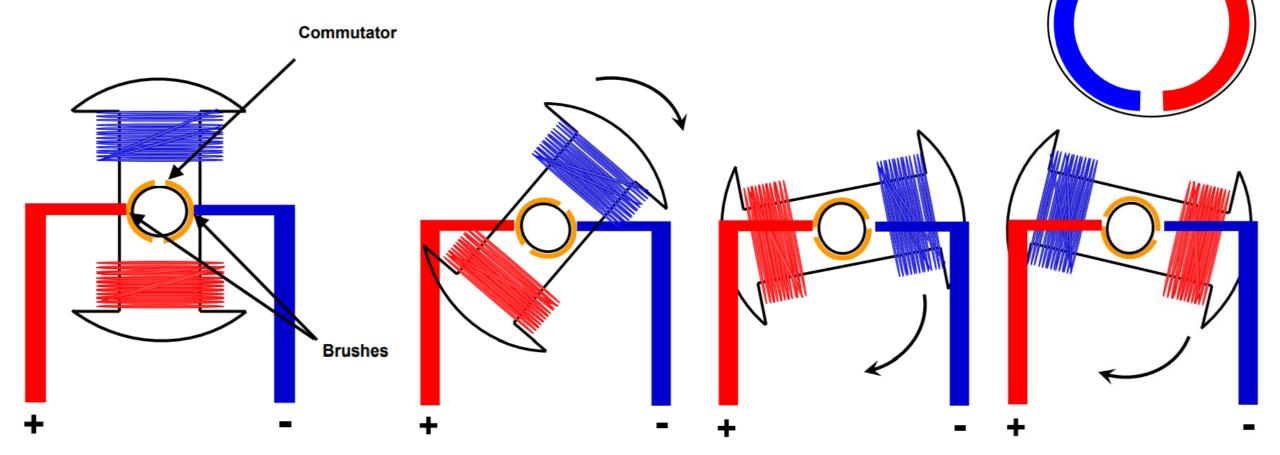








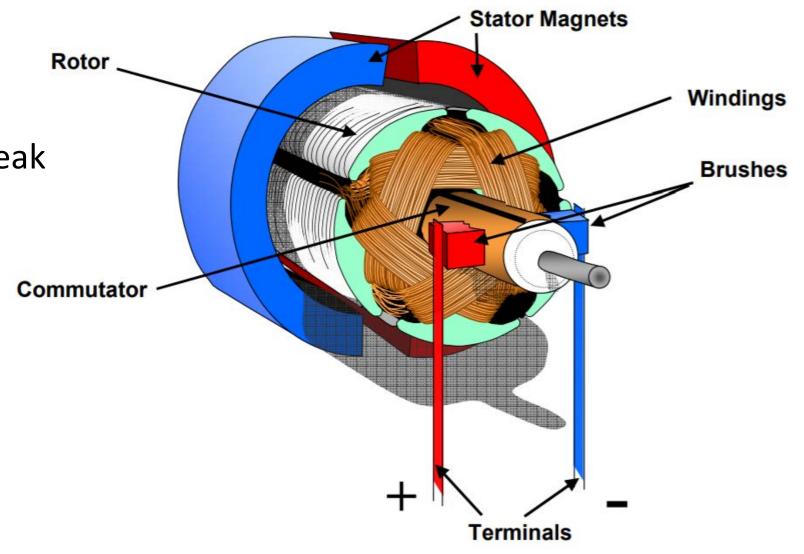


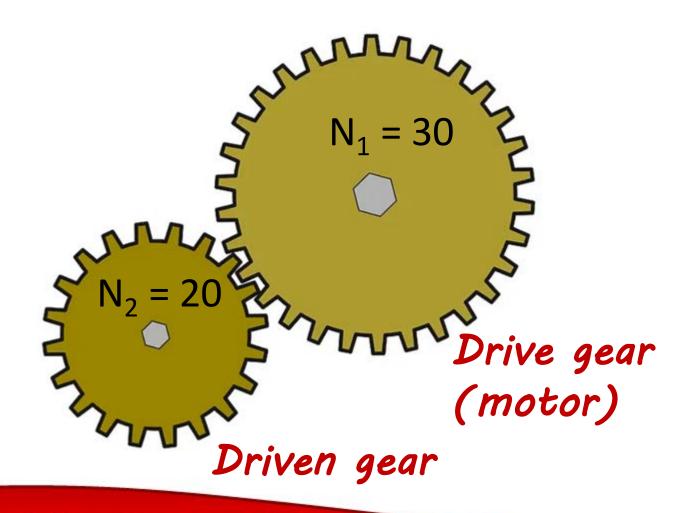


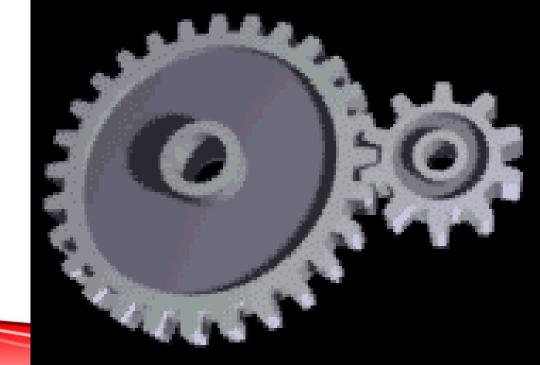
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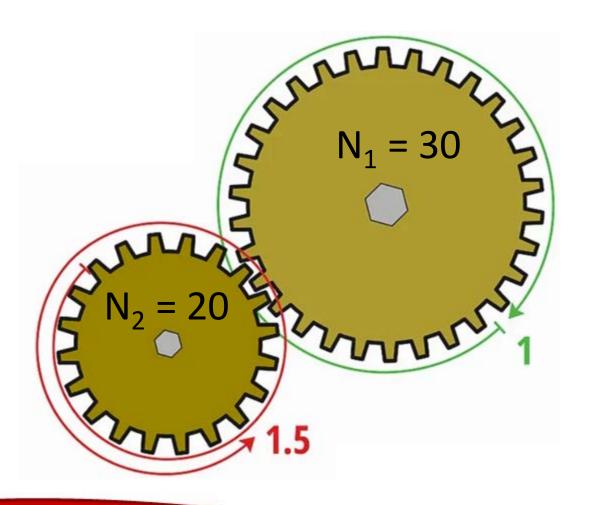
 Standard motors are very fast and very weak

Gear trains!

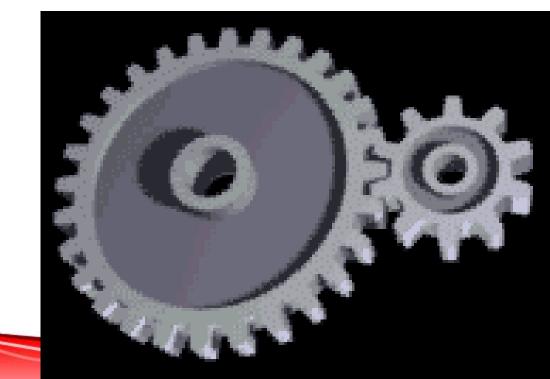


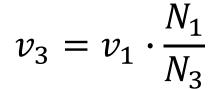


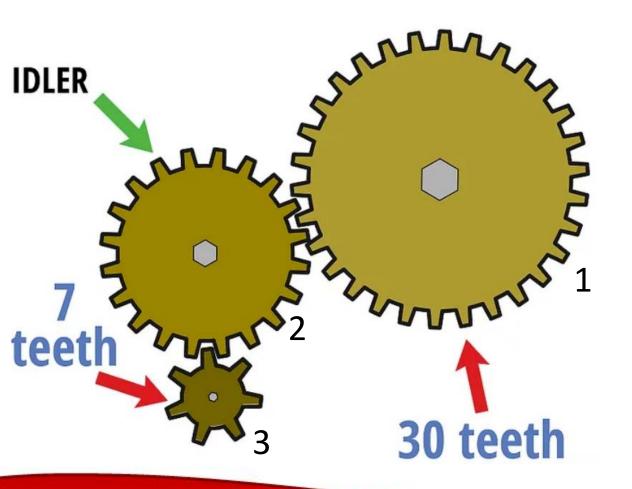


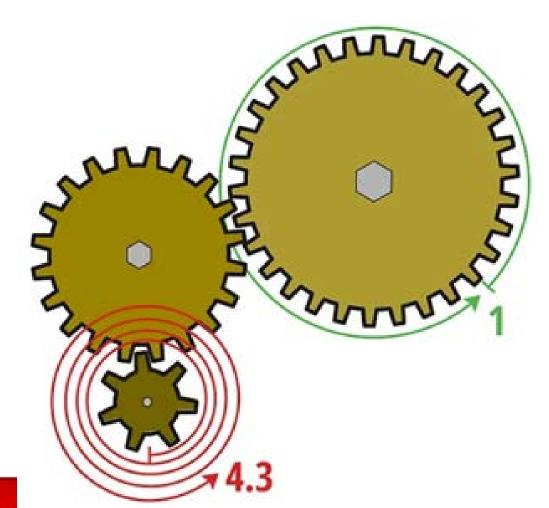


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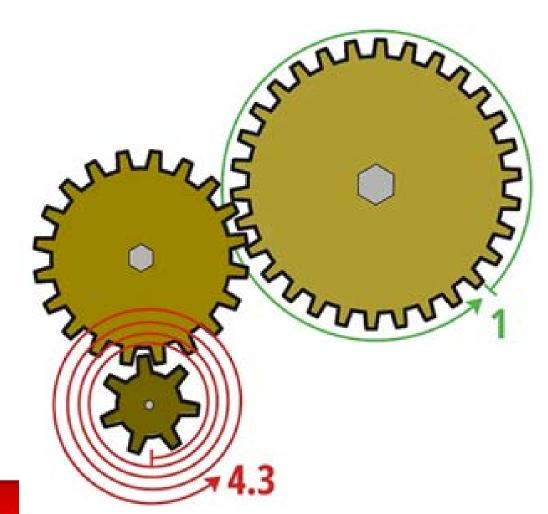






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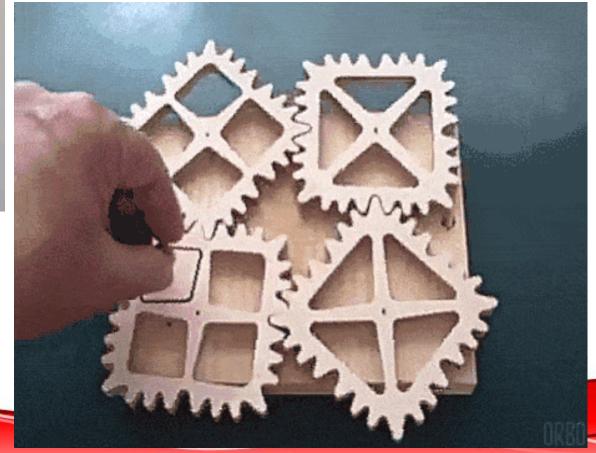


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$$\tau_3 = \tau_1 \cdot \frac{N_3}{N_1}$$

(real gears have loss - rule of thumb: loose ~10% per contact point)

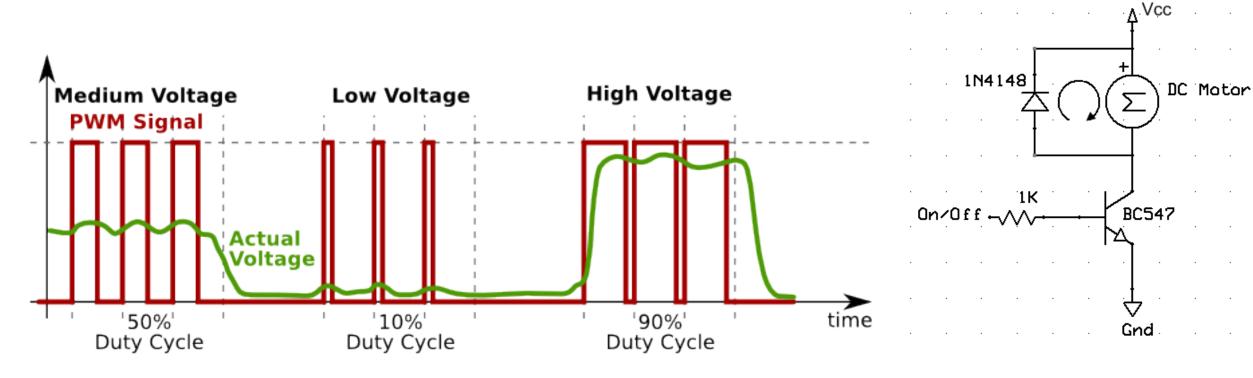




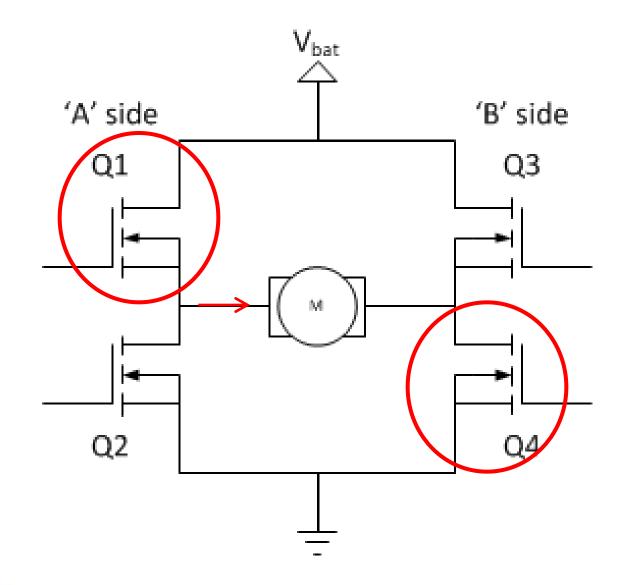




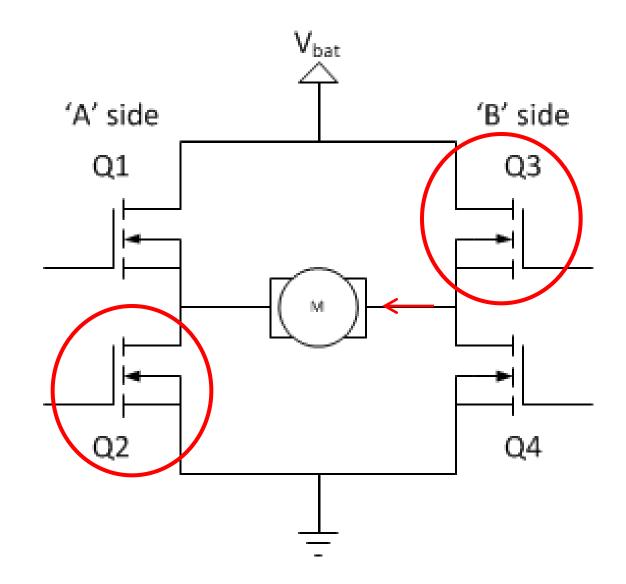
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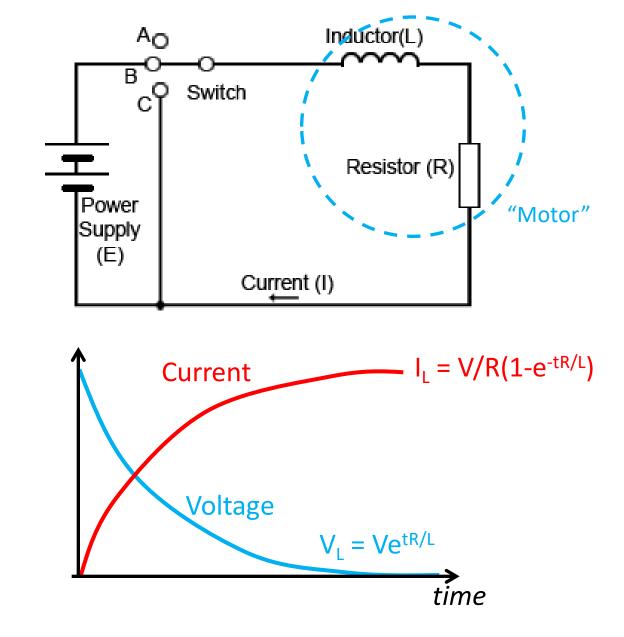
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- H-Bridge



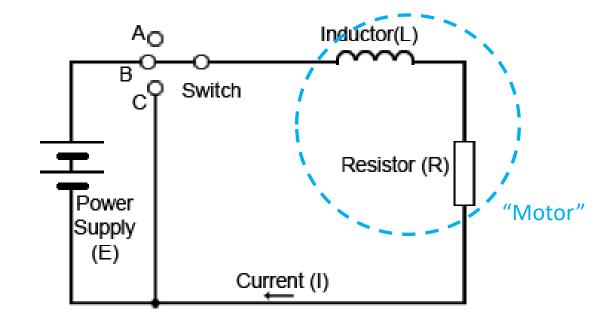
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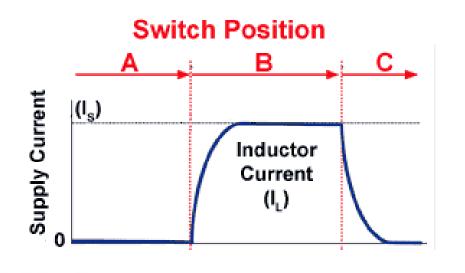


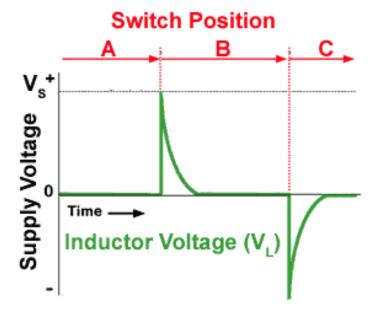
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- H-Bridge
- Electromotive Force (EMF)



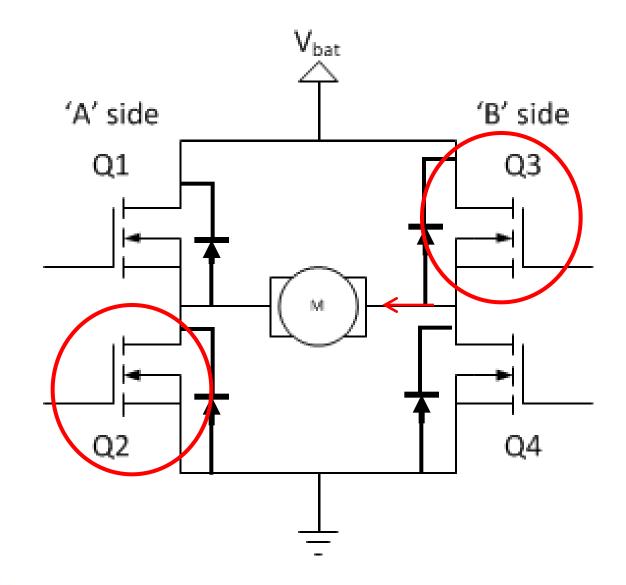
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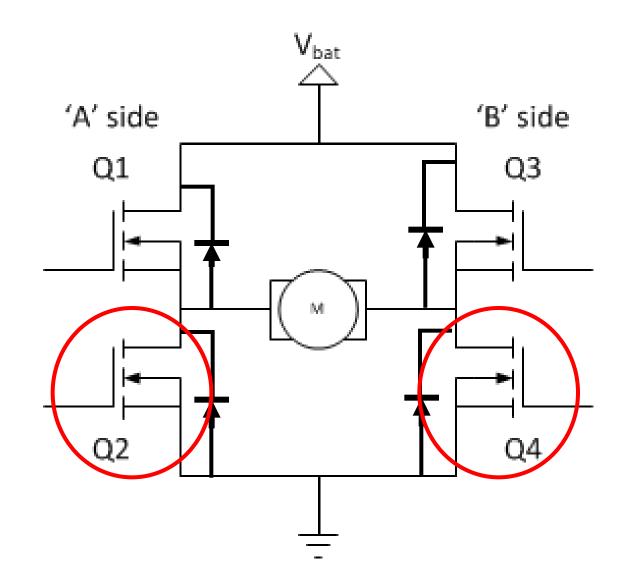




- Analog voltage
- H-Bridge
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- H-Bridge
- PWM



Commercial Vendors

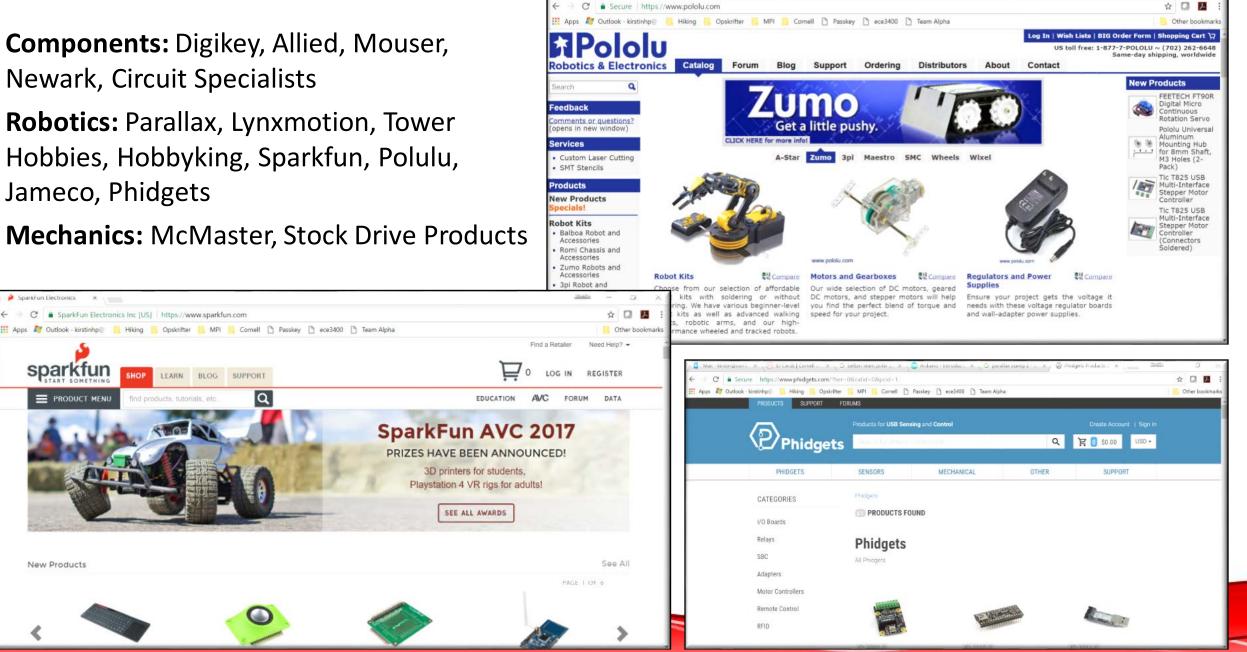
- **Components:** Digikey, Allied, Mouser, Newark, Circuit Specialists
- Robotics: Parallax, Lynxmotion, Tower Hobbies, Hobbyking, Sparkfun, Polulu, Jameco, Phidgets

Sparkfun Electronics ×

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