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# Fast Robots

# EMI and routing

Suggested seating...

Tuesday lab  
(seats 1-4)

Wednesday lab  
(seats 5-8)

Thursday lab  
(seats 9-12)



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# Logistics – Bluetooth!

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- Potential Bluetooth Solution (least complex -> most complex)
  - Verify matching MAC addresses and UUIDs.
  - Verify MAC addresses are left padded. Eg:
    - c0:7:94:96:ab:44 -> Invalid MAC address
    - c0:07:94:96:ab:44 -> Valid MAC address
    - (words need leading zero if they are only one digit)



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- Potential Bluetooth Solution (least complex -> most complex)
  - Verify matching MAC addresses and UUIDs.
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  - Enable/Disable use of UUID
    - Use of UUID helps deconflict cases on multiple boards with the same MAC address
    - Does not work for all operating systems
    - Defined in line 13 & 16 of `base_ble.py`
    - Use in line 53 of `base_ble.py`



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  - Enable/Disable use of UUID
  - Windows Subsystem for Linux ([Ed post #39](#), Olive Faber)
    - Requires recompiling the WSL kernel for Bluetooth support
    - Running from within VS Code ([Ed post #43](#), Rafael Fortuna)
  - We are still working on a more reliable solution on the lab computers...



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# Logistics – Teams!

- Form Teams!
  - How to use your teammate(s)
    - Work/strategize together
    - Do the pre-lab together
    - Do electronics/mechanics/software *on your own!*
    - Debug jointly if things don't work
    - Compare results, but *write your own report*
    - If your system fails, borrow your teammate's
    - *Always* credit collaborators and references



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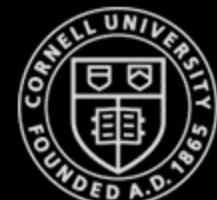


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# Fast Robots EMI and routing



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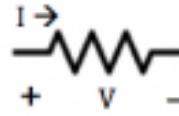
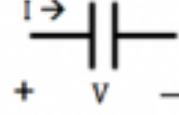
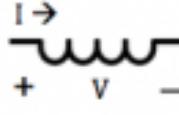
# Topics this week...

- Tuesday
  - RCL recap
  - Electro Magnetic Interference
  - Electrostatic Discharge
  - Wiring and Routing
  - Lab 3 pre-lab discussion
- Thursday
  - Batteries
  - Actuators
  - Motor drivers
  - Oscilloscope

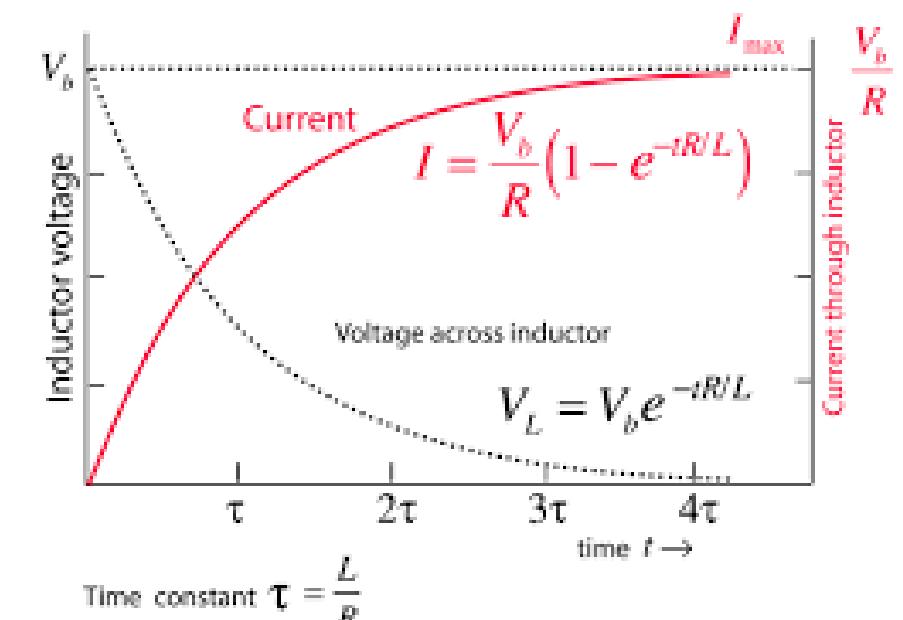
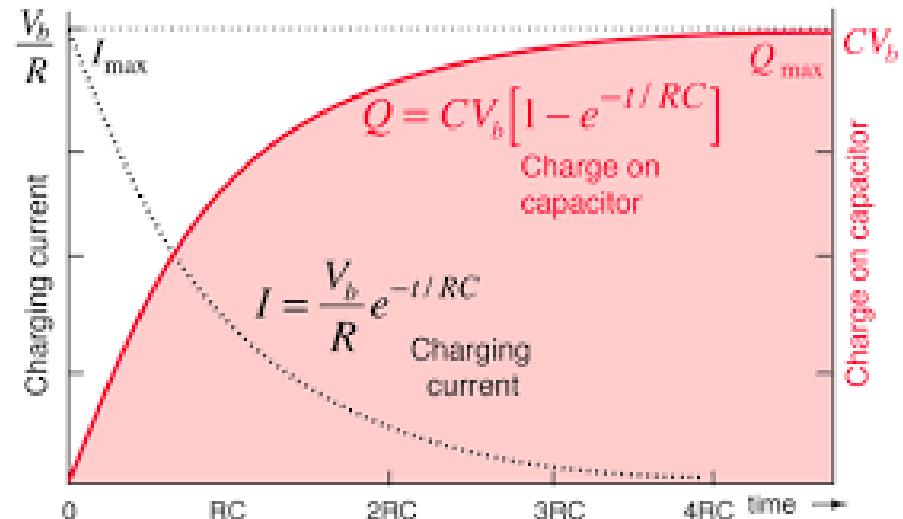
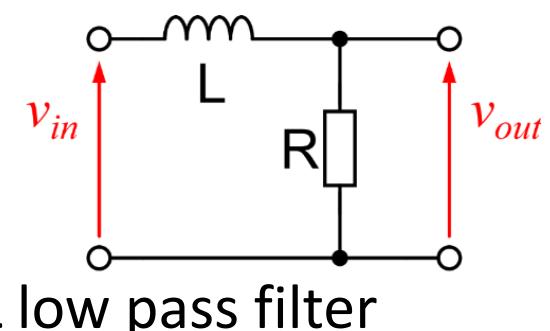
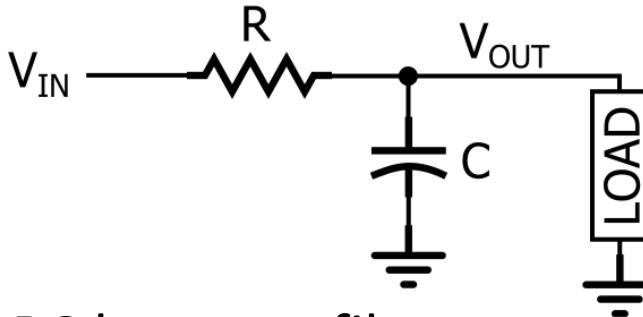


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# Basics

Circuit Element	Symbol	Current-Voltage Relationship in Time	Impedance
Resistor			$R$
Capacitor			$\frac{1}{j\omega C}$
Inductor			$j\omega L$

- What characterizes R / C / L?
- What is the impedance R/ C / L at high/low frequencies?



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# Electro-Magnetic Interference



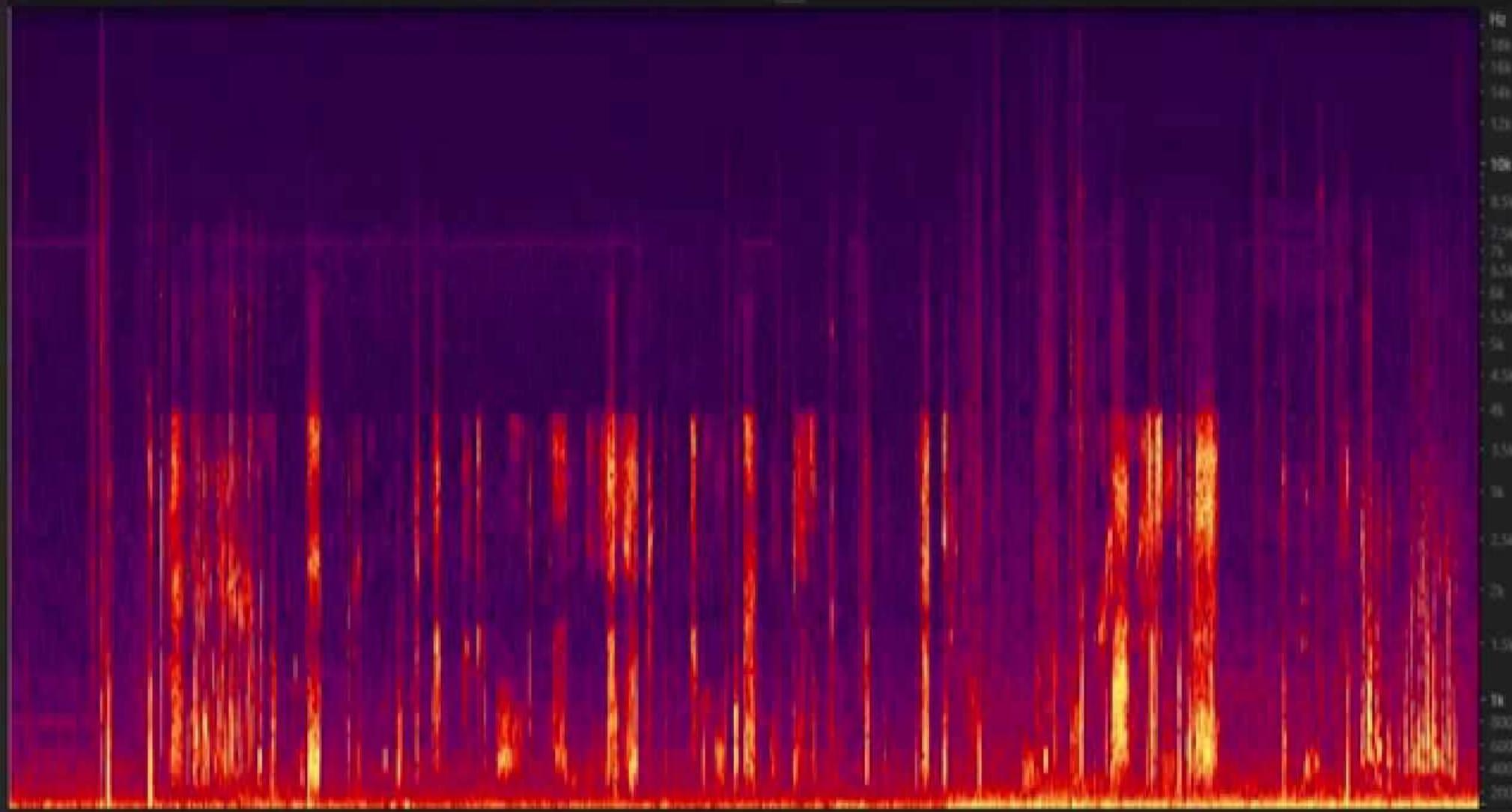
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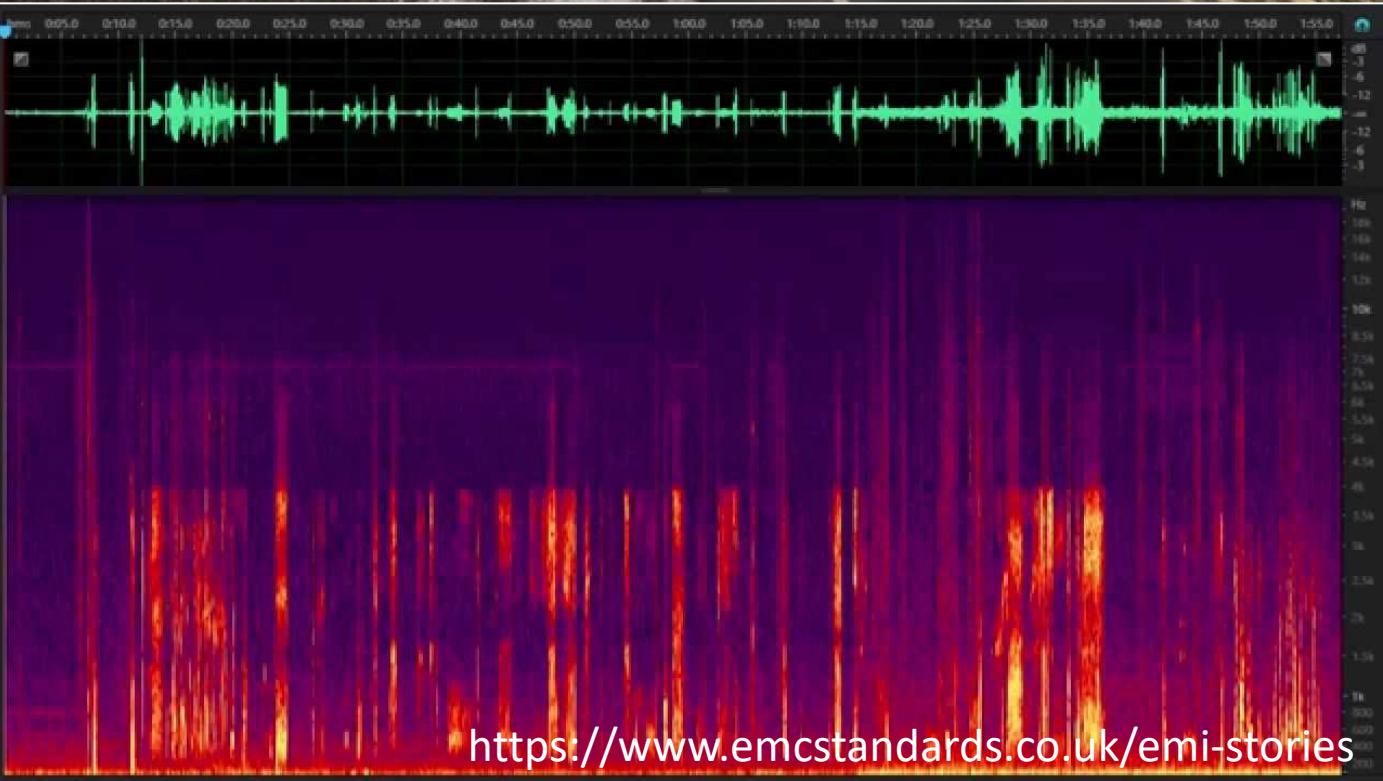
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# EMC Directive

- The ability of the system to operate without interfering with other systems
- The ability of the system to operate despite interference from other systems
  - Under *typical* conditions (domestic, commercial, industrial)



(not to be confused with...)

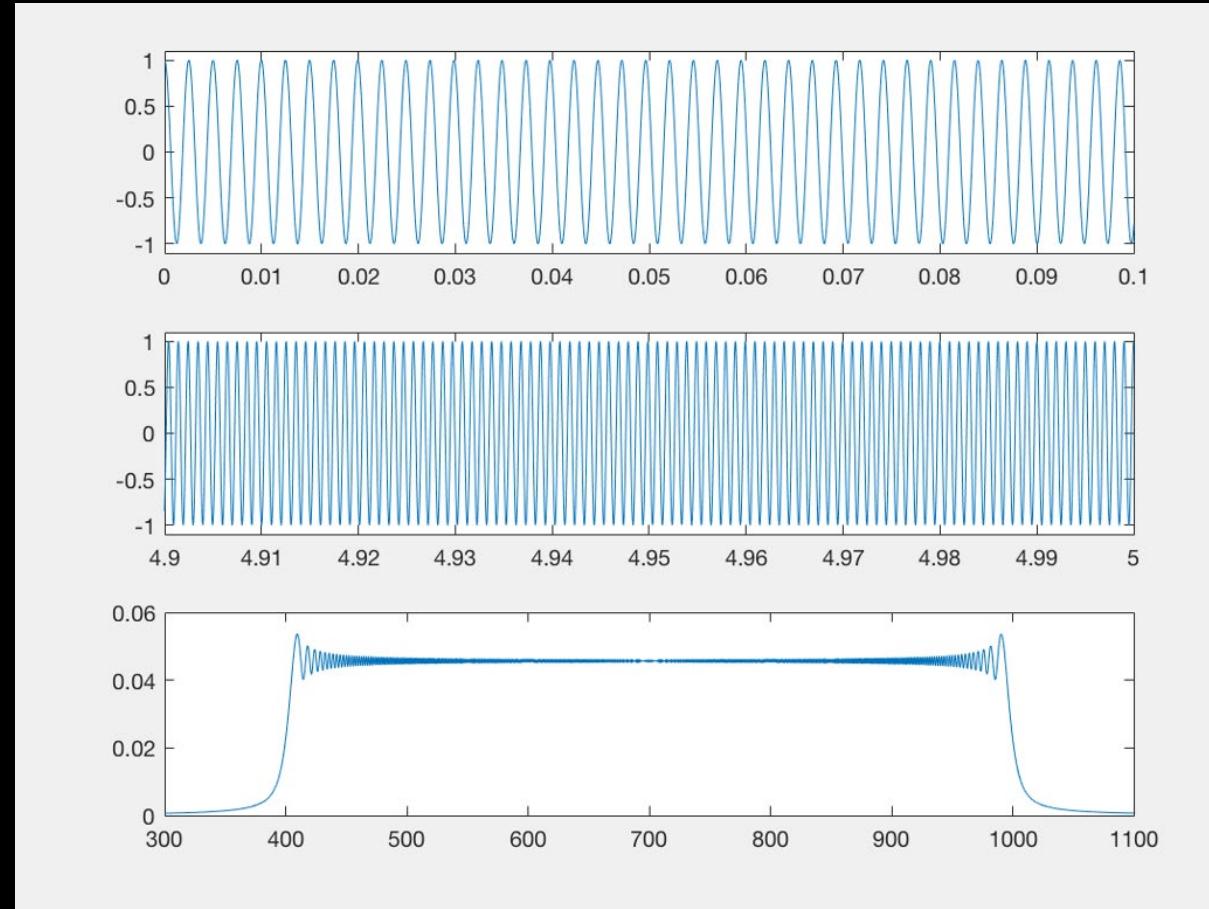




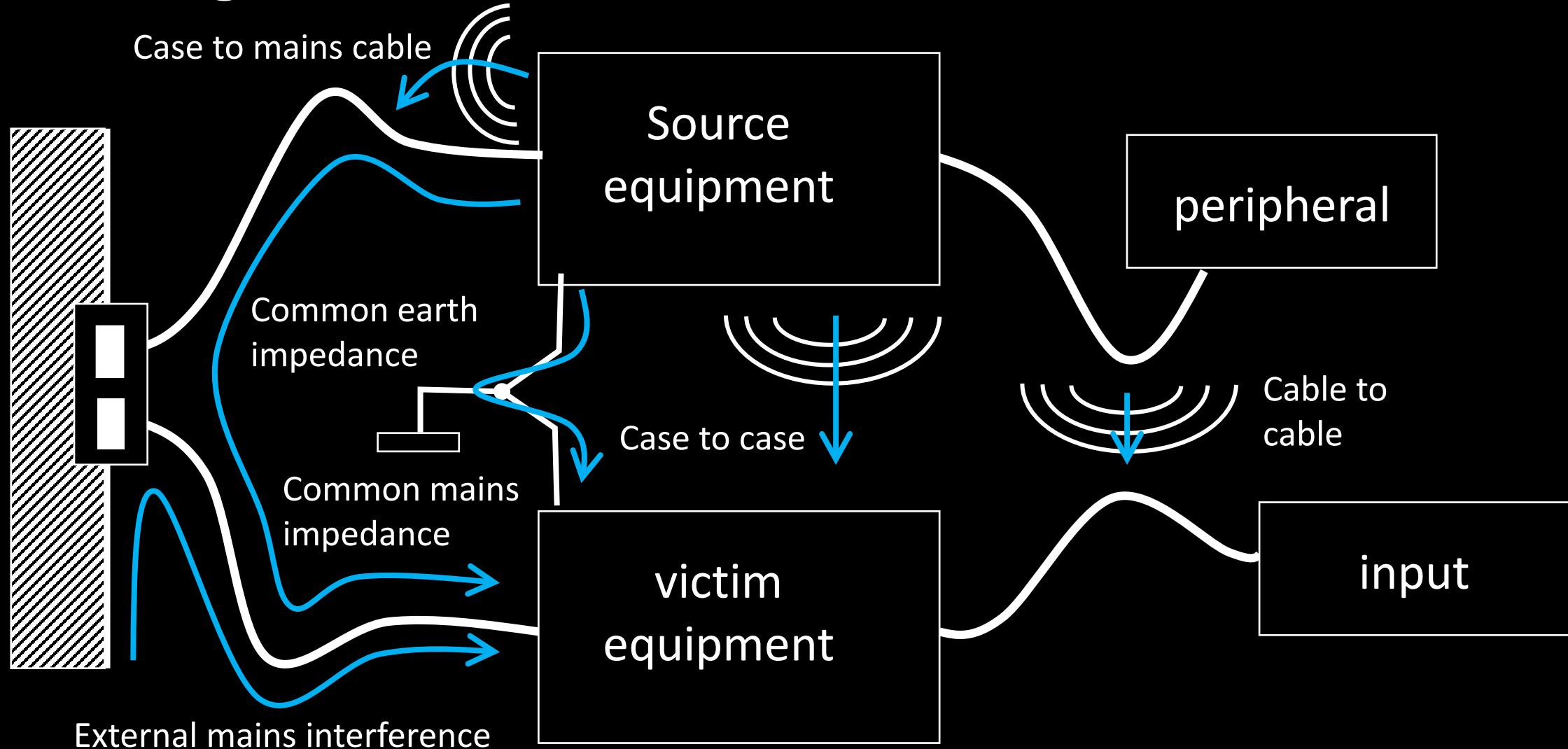
# Electromagnetic Interference

*What sources of EMI are in your system?*

- DC motors
- Switching circuitry (motor drivers)
- Digital signals (I2C, USB)
- Shared power supply (batteries)
- Etc.



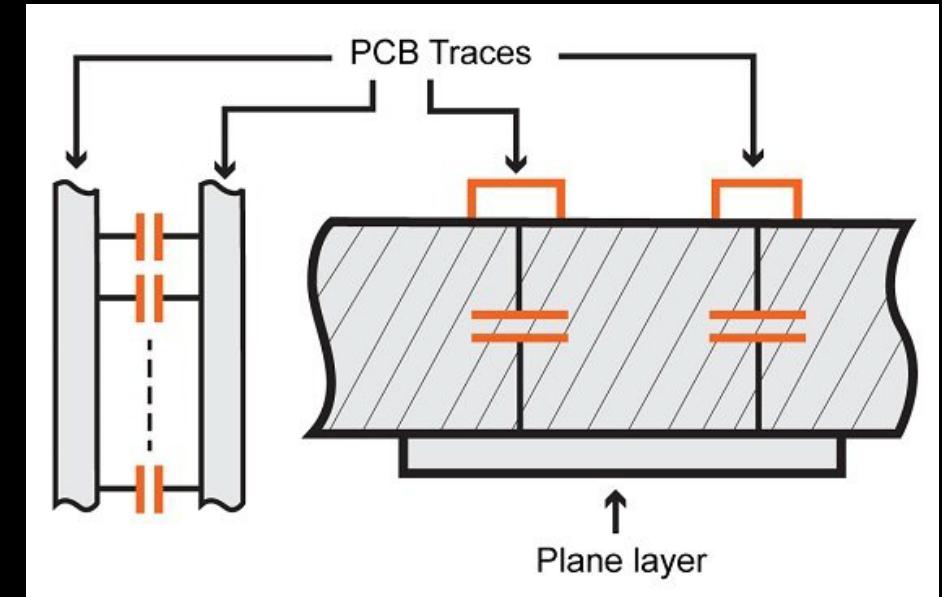
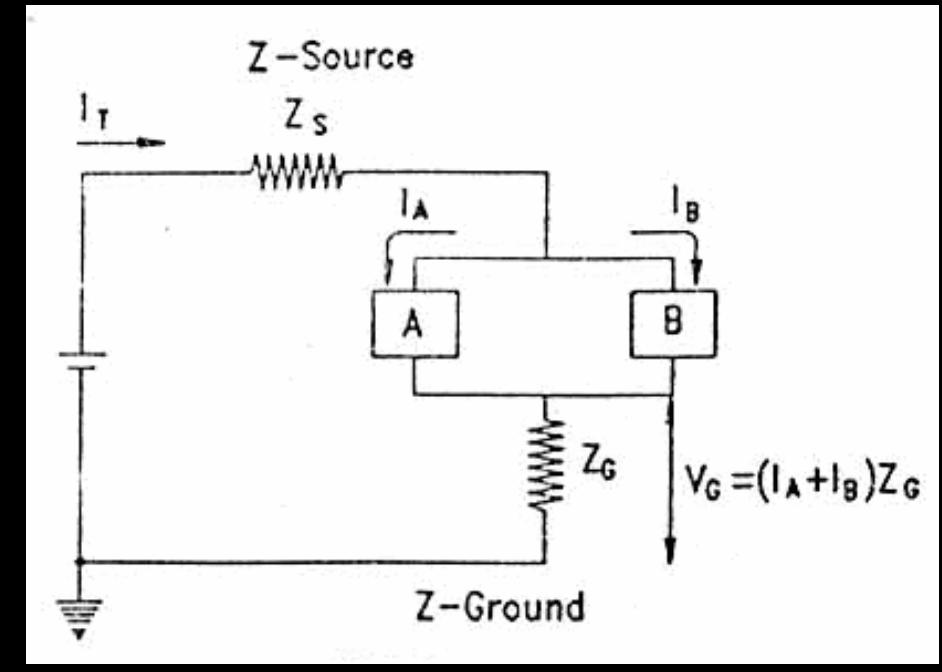
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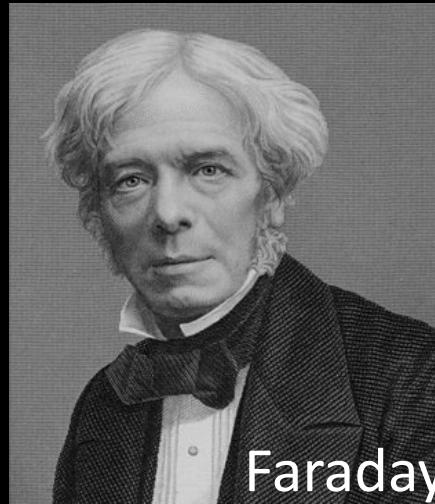
**Two modes of interference: Conducted EMI , Radiated EMI**

# Conducted EMI

- Shared current paths in resistive wires
  - Ohm's Law
    - $U=RI$
  - Longer shared paths, higher coupling
- Parasitic Capacitance
  - Electric field over short distances
  - Current in a capacitor
    - $I = C dV/dt$
  - Higher frequency, higher coupling



# Radiated EMI

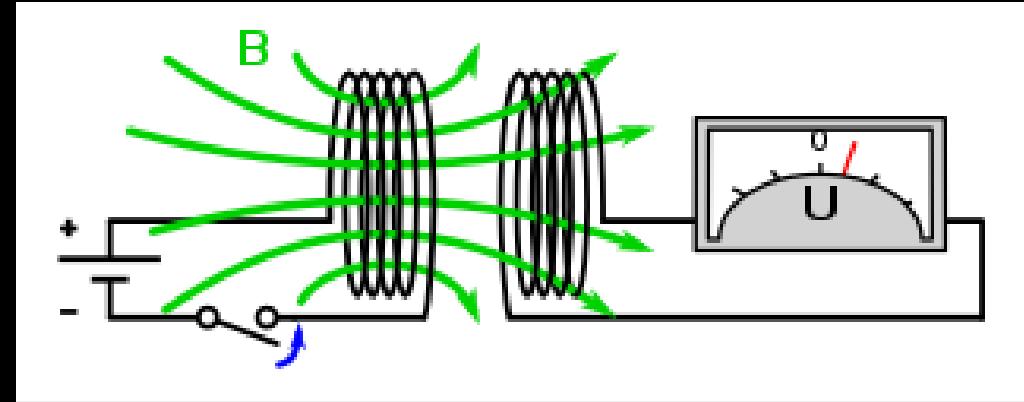


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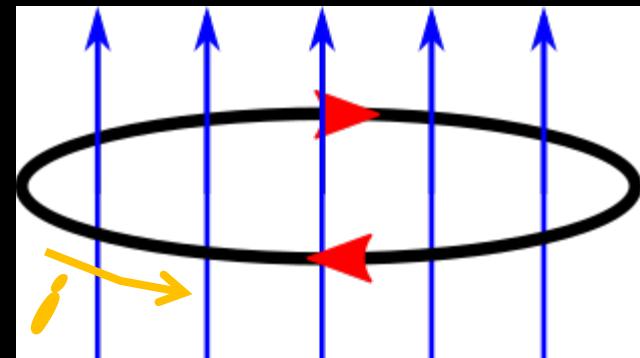


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<https://resourcespcb.cadence.com/blog/2020-lenz-law-vs-faradays-law-how-do-they-govern-crosstalk-and-emi>



- Faraday's Law
  - Electromotive "force" [V]
  - $EMF = -N \frac{\Delta\Phi}{t}$ ; where  $\Phi = BA$
- Lenz' Law
  - EMF produces a current whose magnetic field that opposes the source
    - The radiated EMI increases with...
      - Magnetic field strength
      - Loop area
      - Signal frequency

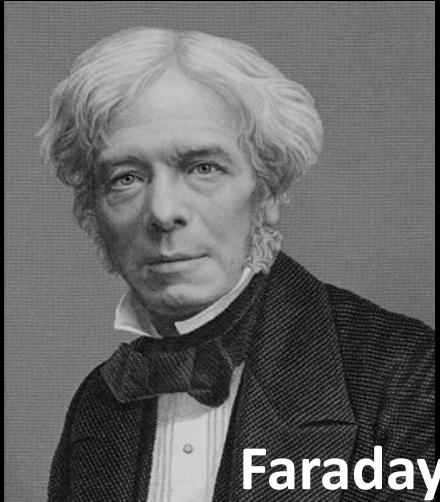


(Fleming's right hand rule)



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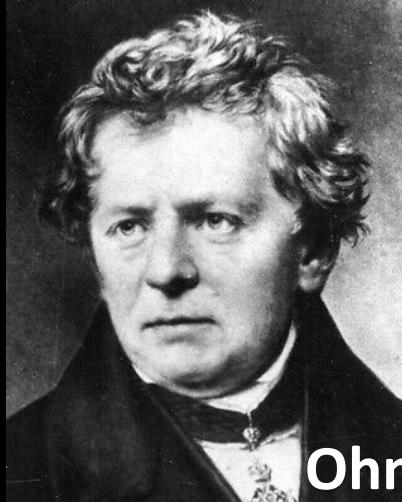
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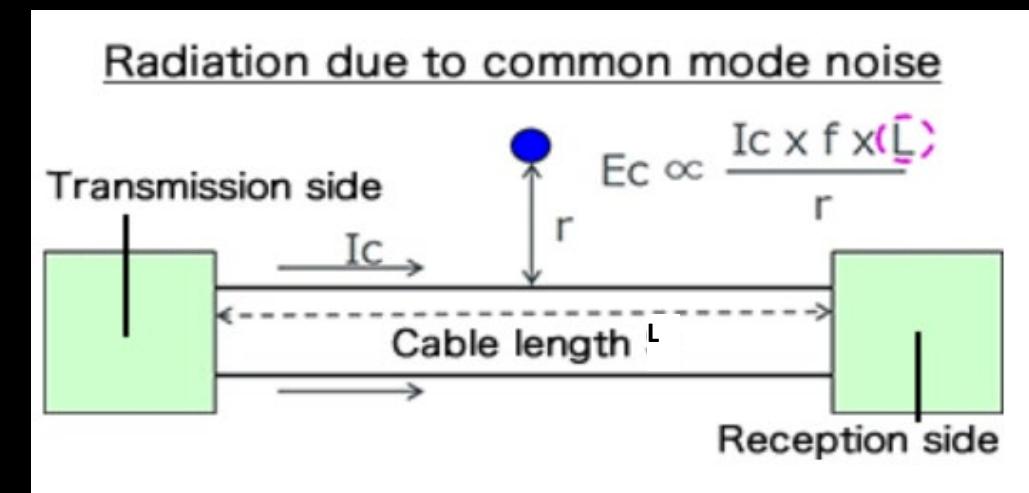
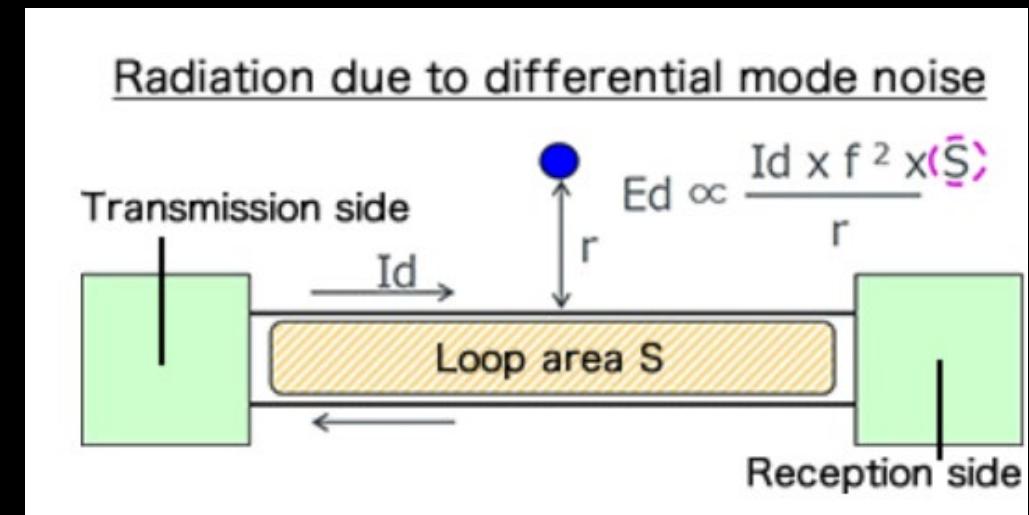
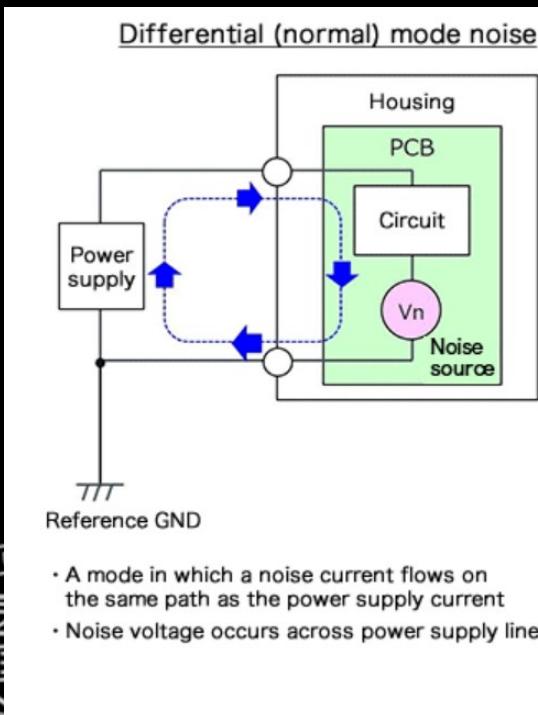
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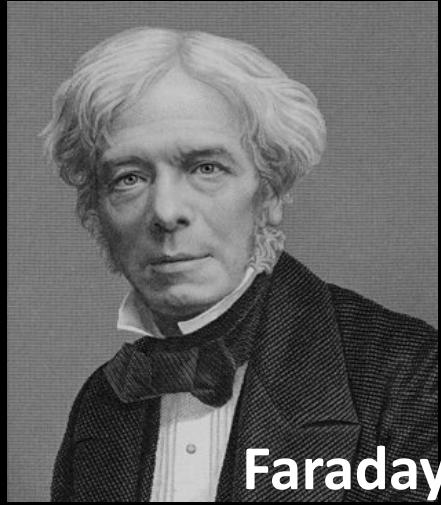
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Ohm



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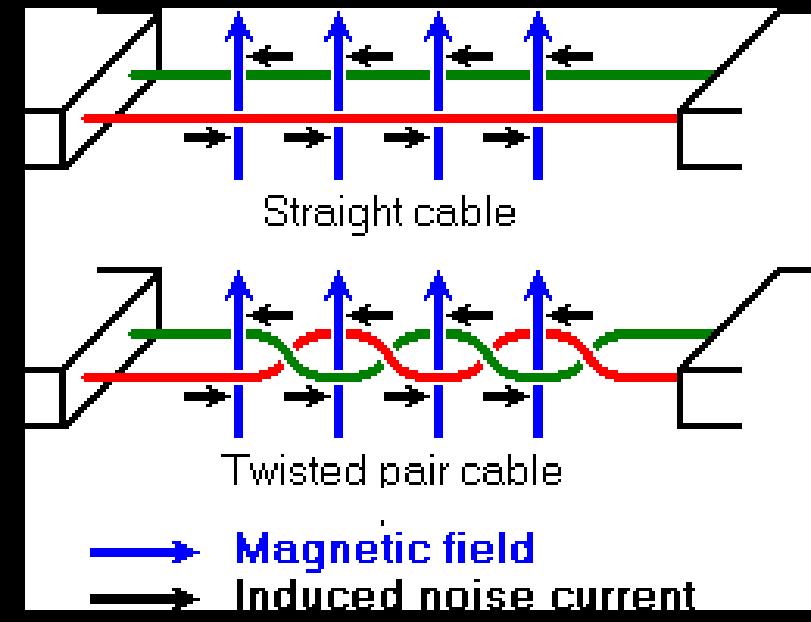
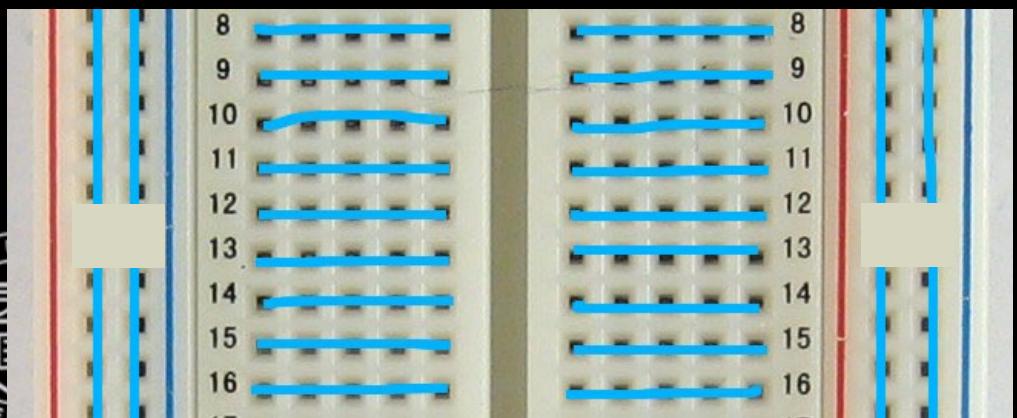
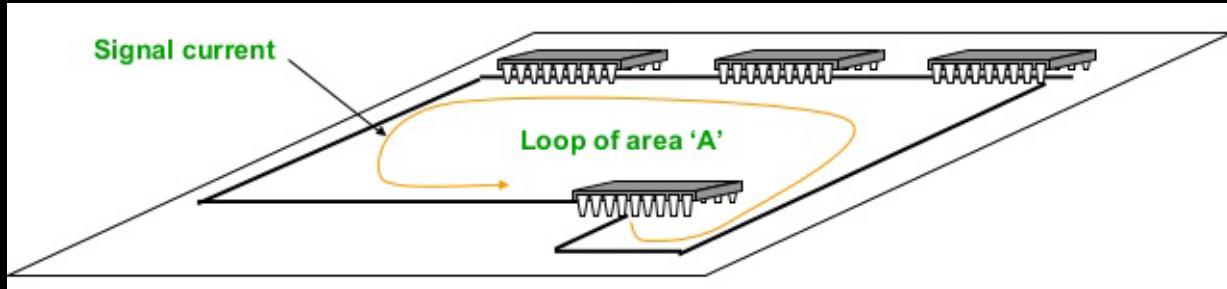
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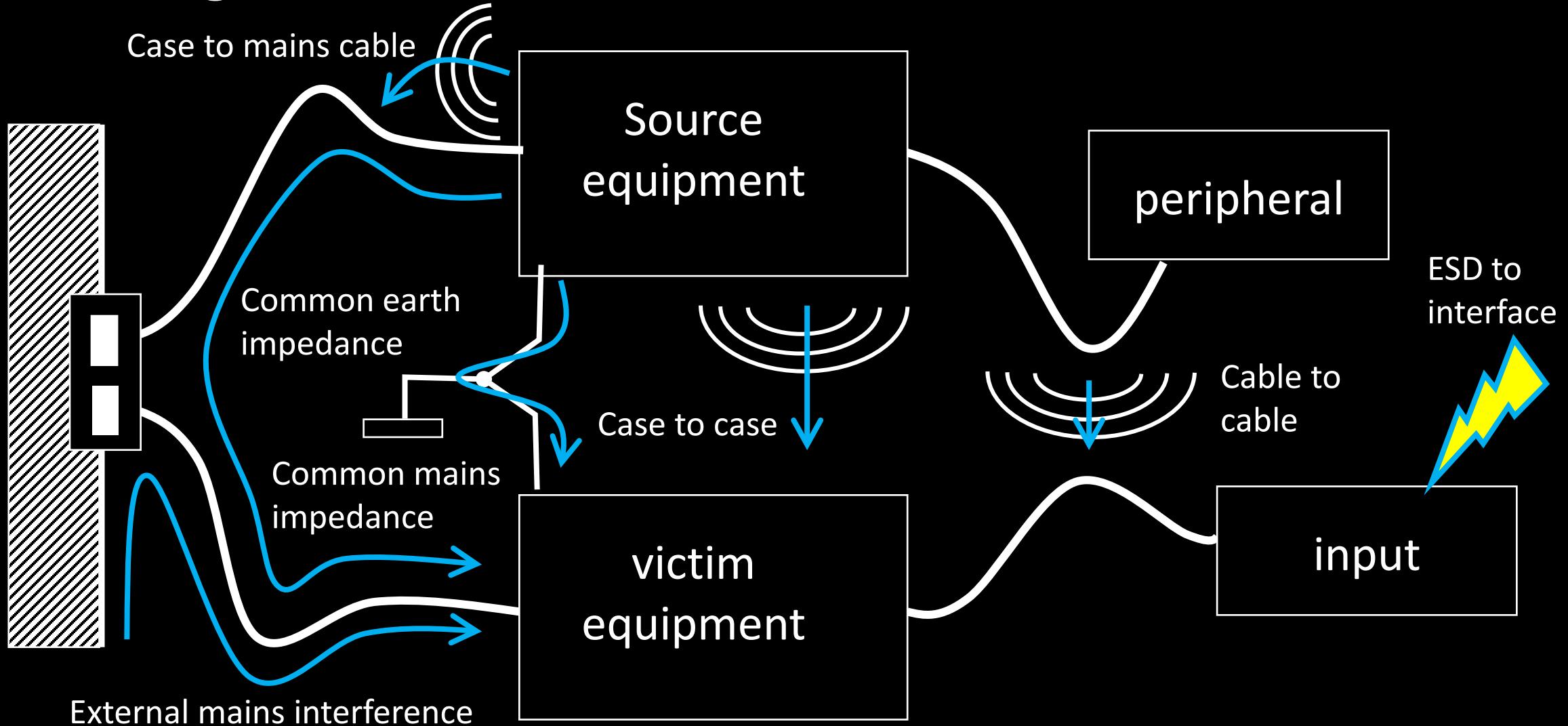
Ohm

- **How to suppress noise?**

- Use lower frequencies when possible
- Use shielded cables
- Minimize common impedances
  - Short, thick wires
- Lower loop area
- Twist out/return cables



# Electromagnetic Interference

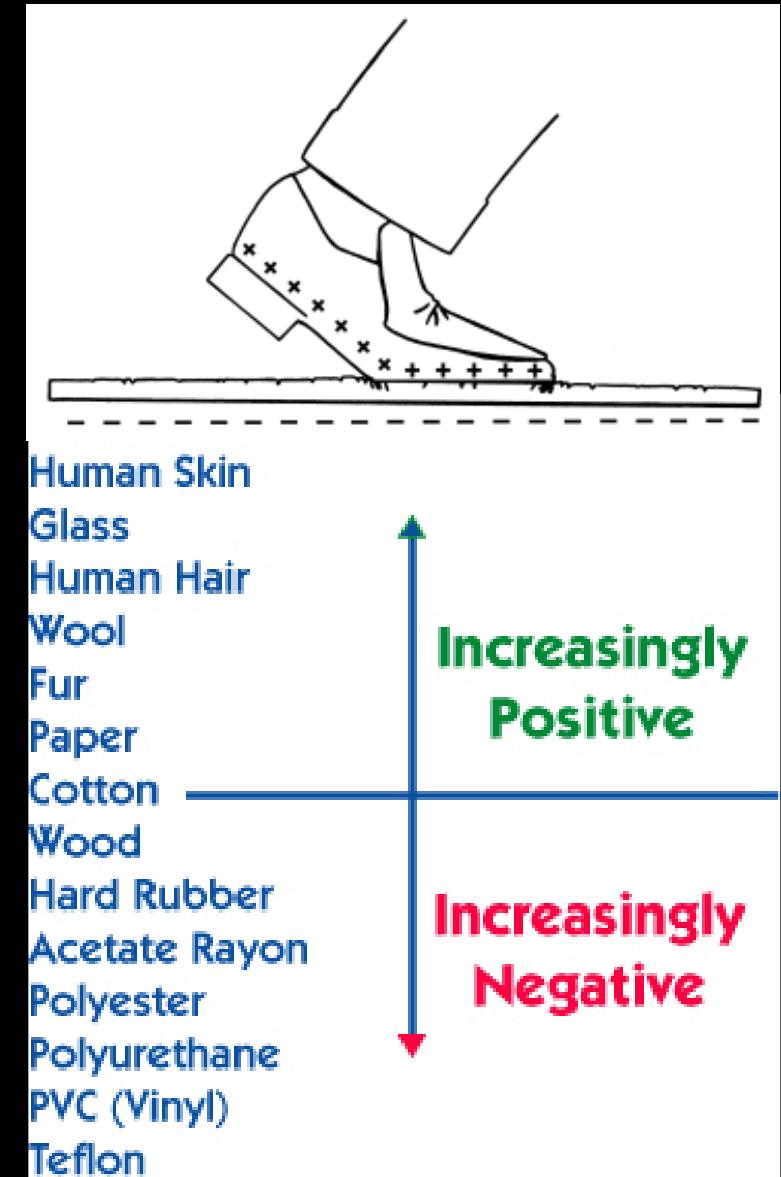
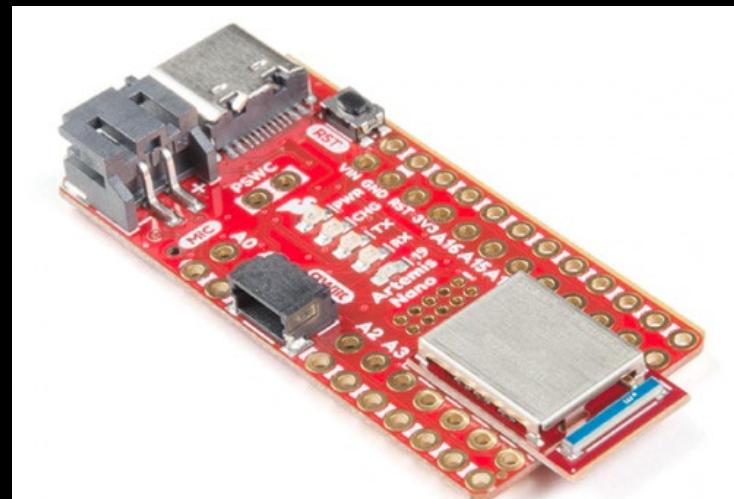


# Electrostatic Discharge

Static Voltage Generation at different Relative Humidity (RH) levels

Generation Method	10-25% RH	60-90% RH
Walking across a carpet	35,000Volts	1,500Volts
Walking across vinyl tiles	12,000Volts	250Volts
Worker at a workbench	6,000Volts	100Volts
Poly bag picked up from workbench	20,000Volts	1,200Volts
Sitting on chair with urethane foam	18,000Volts	1,500Volts

- *Always discharge through ground!*



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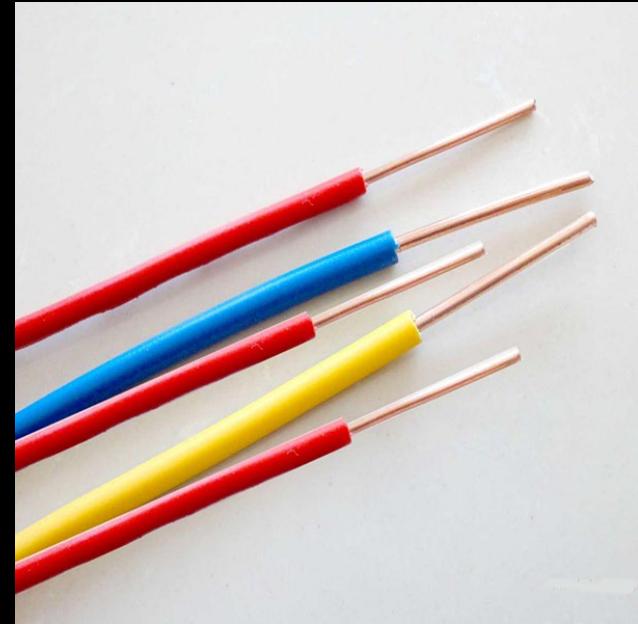
# WIRING AND ROUTING



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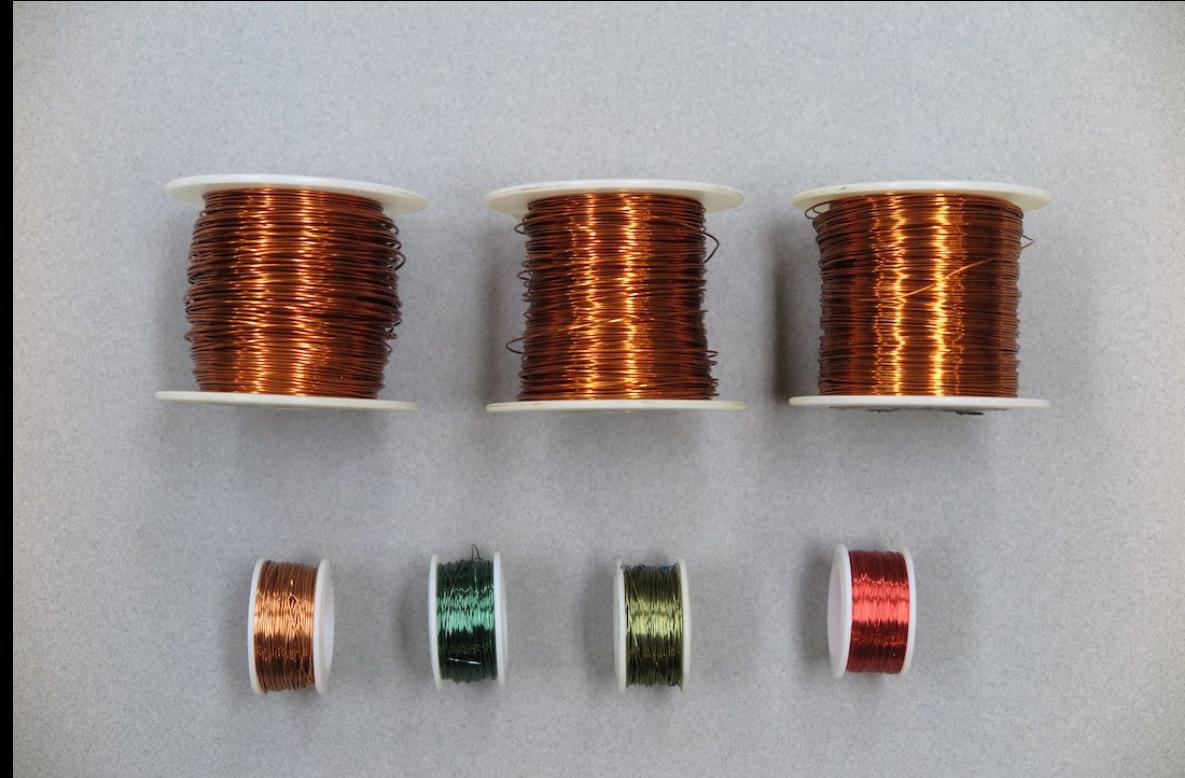
# Wiring and Routing

- Power transmission wires
  - Sized according to power
- Signal wires
  - Carry little current, but are more susceptible to EMI
- Solid core
  - Holds shape, but is brittle
- Stranded
  - More strands, more flexible
  - Use anywhere the position is not permanent
    - Insulation
      - Most common: polyvinyl chloride
      - Polyethylene, polyester, rubber, and Teflon
      - PH427: Silicone



# Wiring and Routing

- Magnet Wire
  - Use in motors, transformers where high density routing is needed
  - Thin enamel-like, tough coating
    - 100-1000s V and 100s of degrees C.
    - Removal with heat or solvent
  - Cannot tolerate repeated bending



# Wiring and Routing

## Wire Gauge

- US standard is American Wire Gauge (AWG)
- The larger the gauge, the smaller the wire
  - AWG 16 and lower are for power transmission
  - AWG 18-22 can be used for low-power motor supplies
  - AWG 22 signals
- Stranded wire
  - AWG 16 26/30

AWG gauge	Conductor Diameter Inches	Conductor Diameter mm	Conductor cross section in mm <sup>2</sup>	Ohms per 1000 ft.	Ohms per km	Maximum amps for chassis wiring	Maximum amps for power transmission
0000	0.46	11.684	107	0.049	0.16072	380	302
000	0.4096	10.40384	84.9	0.0618	0.202704	328	239
00	0.3648	9.26592	67.4	0.0779	0.255512	283	190
0	0.3249	8.25246	53.5	0.0983	0.322424	245	150
1	0.2893	7.34822	42.4	0.1239	0.406392	211	119
2	0.2576	6.54304	33.6	0.1563	0.512664	181	94
3	0.2294	5.82676	26.7	0.197	0.64616	158	75
4	0.2043	5.18922	21.1	0.2485	0.81508	135	60
5	0.1819	4.62026	16.8	0.3133	1.027624	118	47
6	0.162	4.1148	13.3	0.3951	1.295928	101	37
7	0.1443	3.66522	10.6	0.4982	1.634096	89	30
8	0.1285	3.2639	8.37	0.6282	2.060496	73	24
9	0.1144	2.90576	6.63	0.7921	2.598088	64	19
10	0.1019	2.58826	5.26	0.9989	3.276392	55	15
11	0.0907	2.30378	4.17	1.26	4.1328	47	12
12	0.0808	2.05232	3.31	1.588	5.20864	41	9.3
13	0.072	1.8288	2.63	2.003	6.56984	35	7.4
14	0.0641	1.62814	2.08	2.525	8.282	32	5.9
15	0.0571	1.45034	1.65	3.184	10.44352	28	4.7
16	0.0508	1.29032	1.31	4.016	13.17248	22	3.7
17	0.0453	1.15062	1.04	5.064	16.60992	19	2.9
18	0.0403	1.02362	0.823	6.385	20.9428	16	2.3
19	0.0359	0.91186	0.653	8.051	26.40728	14	1.8
20	0.032	0.8128	0.519	10.15	33.292	11	1.5
21	0.0285	0.7239	0.412	12.8	41.984	9	1.2
22	0.0253	0.64516	0.327	16.14	52.9392	7	0.92
23	0.0226	0.57404	0.265	20.06	66.7000	4.7	0.706

[https://www.powerstream.com/Wire\\_Size.htm](https://www.powerstream.com/Wire_Size.htm)



## Connection Points

- Solder permanent connection points
- Minimize connection points
  - BUT use for modularity
- Connectors
  - Signal transfer
  - Power transfer

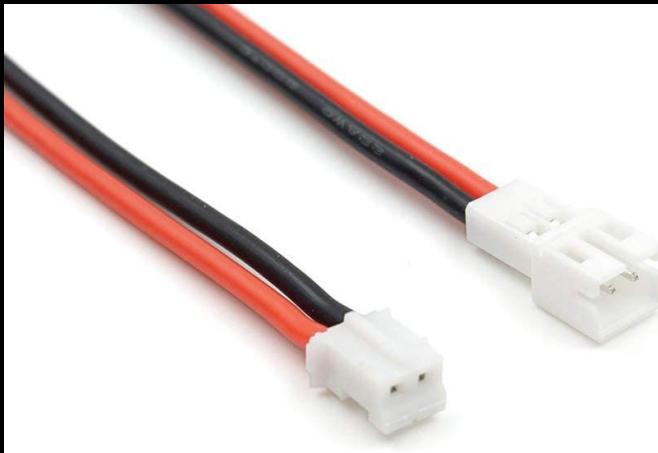


Braided wires are useful in robotics, because they are less prone to fatigue. Use these for connections that will be moved or rearranged often during your project.



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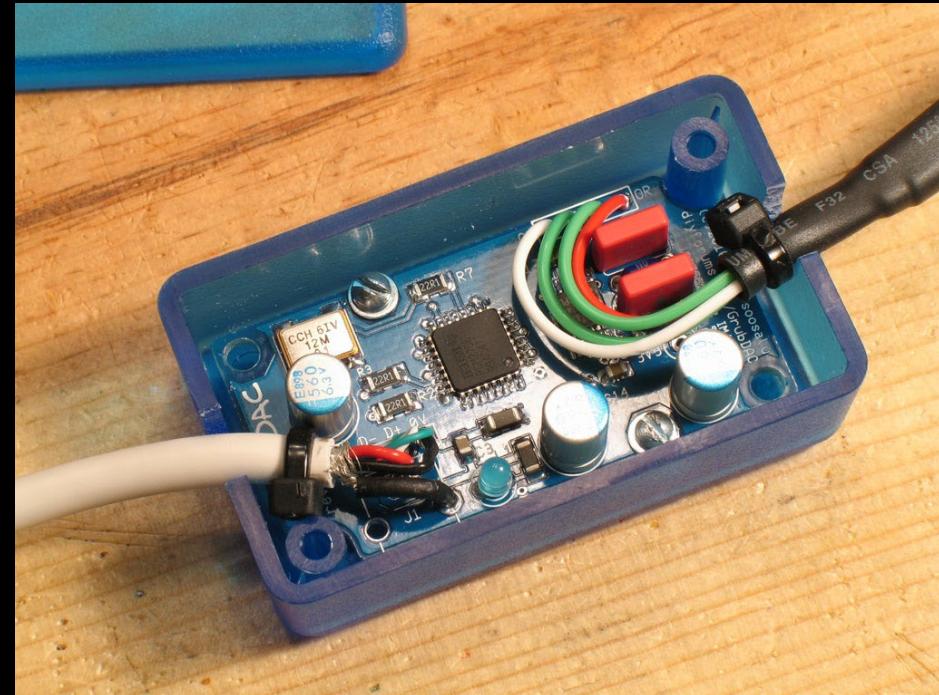
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- Connectors
  - Signal transfer
  - Power transfer
  - Female: hot side
  - Male: Receiver
  - Reversible
  - General
  - Protocol



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# Good practices

- Use color convention
  - Red/Black: Vcc/Gnd
  - Purple: V+ (raw power or battery voltage)
  - Green/white/yellow/orange: signal wires
- Fastening
  - Avoid pinch points
  - Service loops
  - Strain relief
  - Hot glue
    - Good for semi-permanent connections
    - Becomes brittle over time
- Insulation
  - Hot glue
  - Heat shrink
  - Electrical tape ages and leaves residue

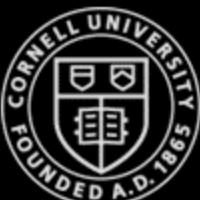


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# Lab 3 Pre-lab



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## Lab 3-5: Hardware

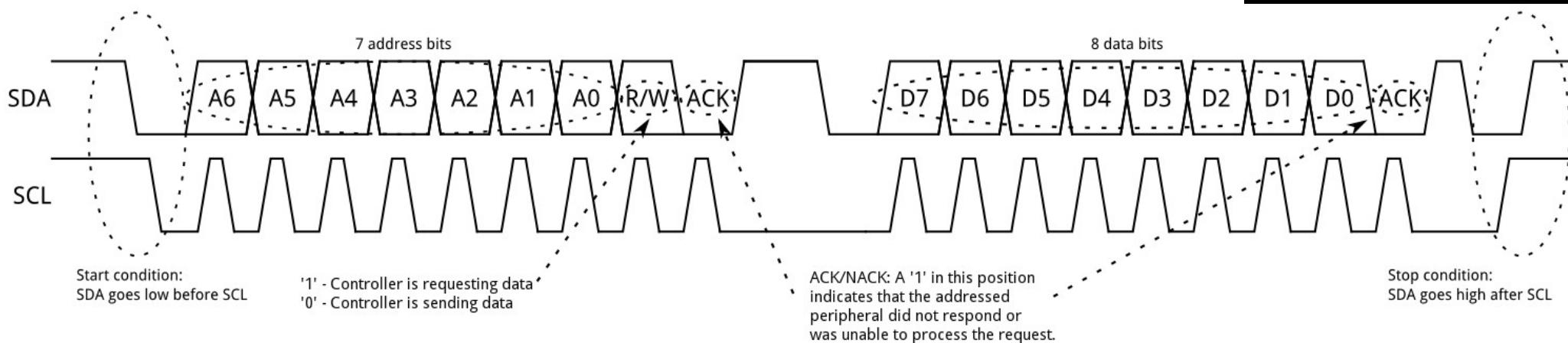
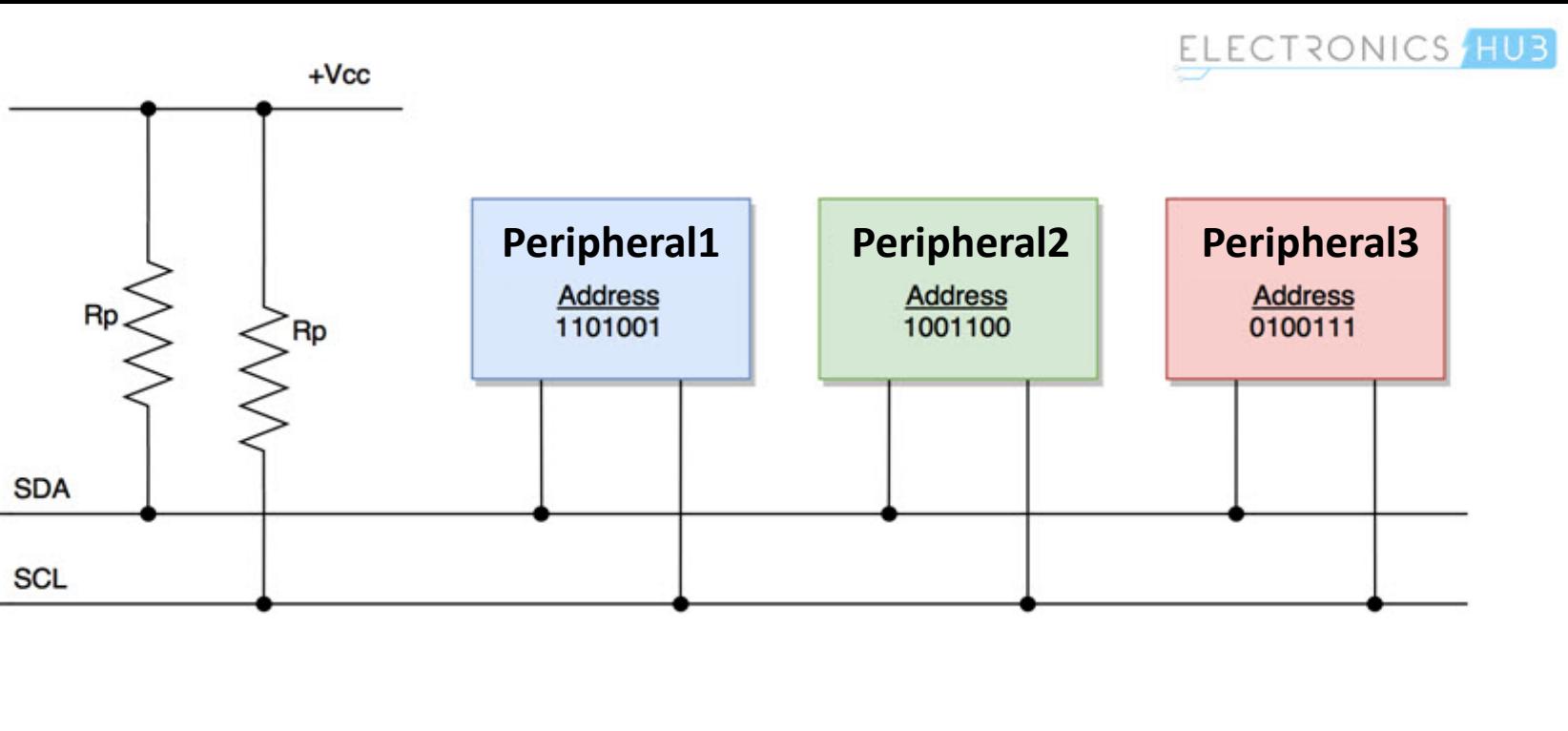
- Lab 3: TOF sensors (<https://cei-lab.github.io/FastRobots-2023/Lab3.html>)
  - Good example from last year: <https://anyafp.github.io/ece4960/>
  - But the tasks have changed somewhat...



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# Communication with Sensors / Sparkfun “Qwiic” connectors

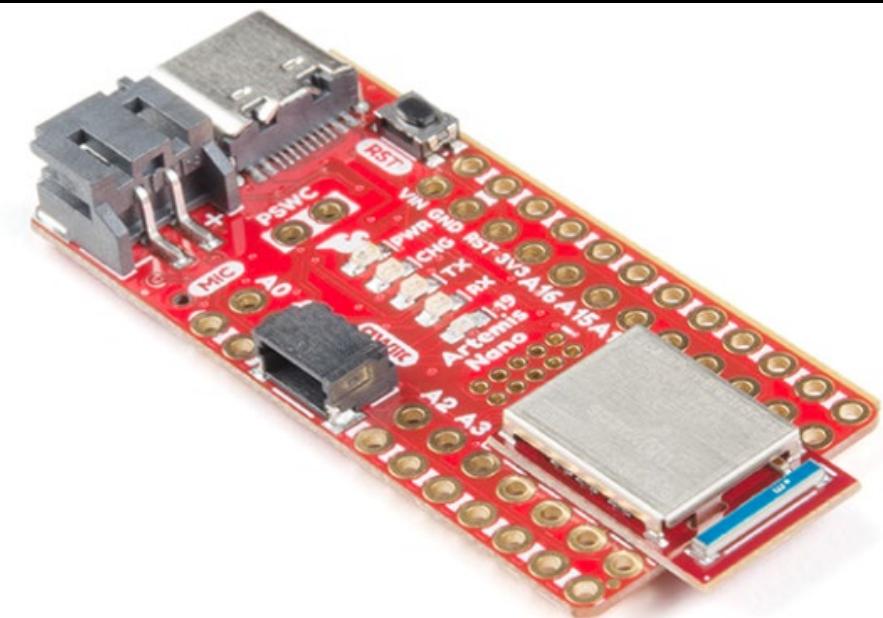
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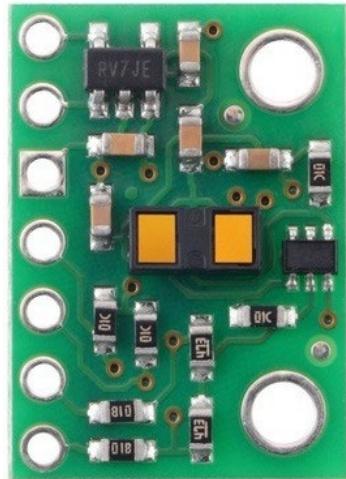
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# Lab 3-5: Hardware

- Lab 3: TOF sensors (<https://cei-lab.github.io/FastRobots-2023/Lab3.html>)
    - How to deal with two ToF sensors with the same default address?



**VDD (2.8V out)**  
**VIN (2.6–5.5V)**  
**GND**  
**SDA**  
**SCL**  
**XSHUT**  
**GPIO1**



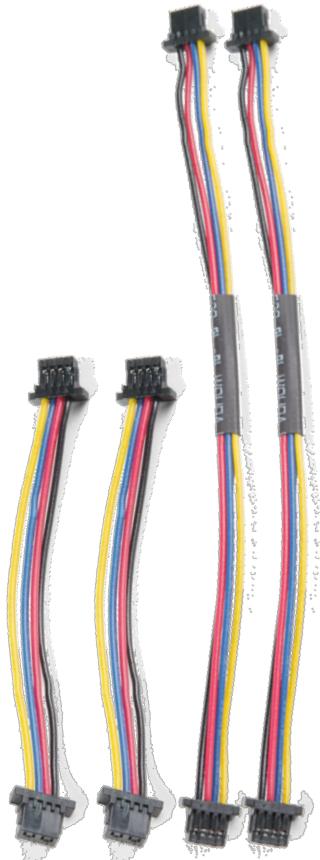
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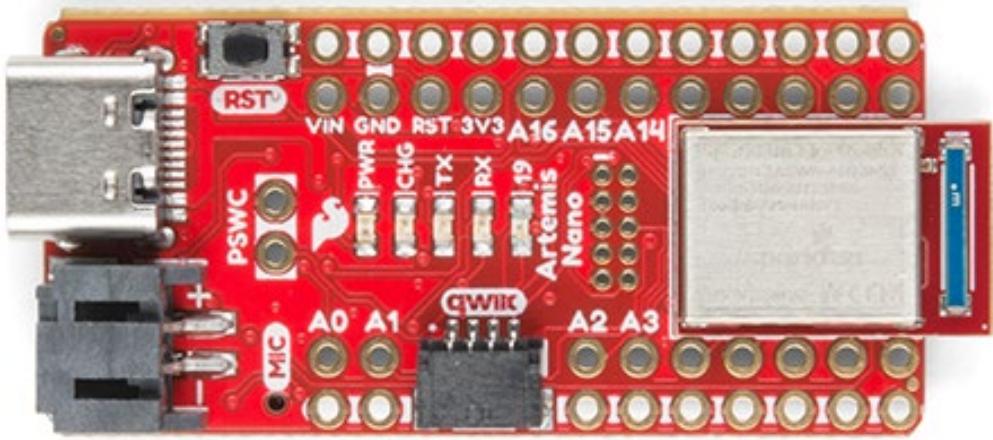
## Lab 3-5: Hardware

- Lab 3: TOF sensors (<https://cei-lab.github.io/FastRobots-2023/Lab3.html>)
- Lab 4: IMU sensors and battery
- Lab 5: Motor drivers
- Things to consider...
  - Where/how do you place components?
  - Routing paths (w. EMI considerations)
  - Color coding
  - Permanent solder joints / Detachable connections?
  - Single core or braided wires?
  - Which side of the breakout boards do you solder to?
  - What cable will you use where? Which will you cut for the ToF sensors?
  - Identify the colors of the signals in the QWIIC cable (GND, VCC, SDA, SCL)
  - **<FOCUS on getting all soldering done during your lab section this week!>**

# Lab 3-5: Hardware



DRV8833 (Pololu)

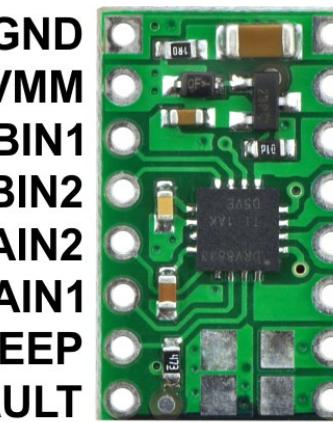


Artemis Nano (Sparkfun)

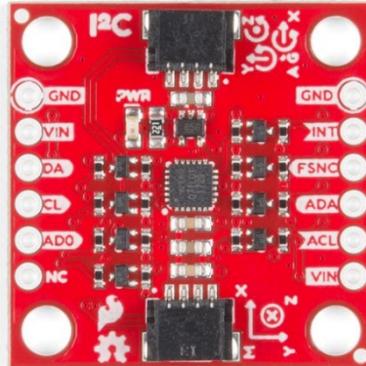
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AIN2  
AIN1  
nSLEEP  
nFAULT



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AOUT1  
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BISEN



ICM20948 (Sparkfun)

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GND  
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VLX53L1X (Pololu)

## Lab 3-5: Hardware

- Think about the placement of components and batteries

