IEEE's Hands on Practical Electronics (HOPE)

Week 1: Course Introduction, Safety, Soldering, Terminology

Definitions:

IEEE: Institute of Electronic and Electrical Engineers

Standards: A balanced blend of technical alternatives, economic needs, and global

requirements

Soldering: Fuse metal together by melting

Schematic: Ideal plan for the circuit

Closed Loop: There are no breaks in the circuit; there is a path for current to flow Open Loop: There is a break in the circuit resulting in no no path for current flow

Leads: The wires that stick out from your components

Soldering:

1. Lay out the circuit on the breadboard

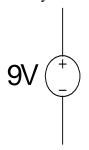
- 2. Prepare the wire Strip $\frac{1}{4}$ " $\frac{1}{2}$ " of insulation from the ends of the wires.
- 3. Twist the exposed strands.
- 4. Clean the soldering iron tip.
- 5. Tin the wire by placing the tip of the soldering iron along the exposed strands.
- 6. Apply solder to the wire. The solder will melt and form a connection.
- 7. Solder so all the connections are tight (ex: connect the battery to the LED)
- 8. Make sure to solder right on top of the junction of where the two wires join

Circuits:

Circuits will work only if there is a closed loop.

Circuit Symbols:

Battery:



Resistor:



LED:

