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└ Introduction

Advances in the fabrication of electric circuits has followed the advance of electricity and electronics.

Electricity: a form of energy resulting from the existence of charged particles (such as electrons or protons), either statically as an accumulation of charge or dynamically as a current. Google Definition

Electronics: the branch of physics and technology concerned with the design of circuits using transistors and microchips, and with the behavior and movement of electrons in a semiconductor, conductor, vacuum, or gas. Google Definition

- Here are some goals of the project
- but the goal in education is clear: "Benefit the student"
- We can solve and simulate all we want but letting a student experience the response of a controller is far more effective
- summarize goals:
 1. Build a flight simulator
 2. Encourage faculty/student collaboration
 3. Boost interest in aerospace science

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└ Static Electricity

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"Electric charge is more useful (and interesting) when it moves."

-David J. Broderick, Ph.D.

- This guy really knows what he's talking about.
- Make it do work
- Make it convey information
- We need two things:
 1. Something to move the charge (battery, generator, power plant, etc)
 2. A path for the charge to travel within (a circuit)

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└ Volta's Battery

└ The First Battery



• Alessandro Volta (1800)

- Now we can move charge
- connections large and easy to manipulate
- Circuits were simple

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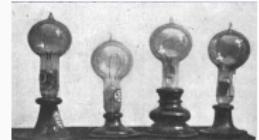
- Better sense of scale from this drawing
- applications were limited, igniting black powder in this scene

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└ Edison's Light Bulb

└ Electric Light



• Thomas Edison (1878)

- First widespread application of electricity
- Lead to need for more generation

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└ Edison's Light Bulb

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• Edison's Pearl Street Station (1882)

- Downtown Manhattan
- Coal Fired
- served a few city blocks
- 508 customers/10,164 lamps
- 20 lights per customer

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└ Tesla's Vision

└ Alternating Current



• Niagara Falls Hydro Plant (1895)

- As a young boy in (modern day) Croatia, Tesla dreamed of harnessing the power of Niagara Falls
- Had a vision of an AC motor, application more suited to industry,
- still large components
- A bit more complex
- still easy to interconnect

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└ Tesla's Vision

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• Generated at Niagara Falls
• Consumed in Buffalo, NY

- AC being more efficient to distribute led to larger distribution areas
- Distance was/is much greater than the few city blocks Edison could serve

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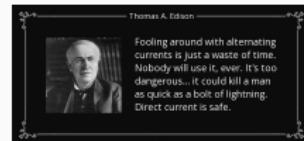
- Led to our current (pun intended) means of distribution

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└ Tesla's Vision

└ Propaganda War



- This was despite Edison trying to use scare tactics

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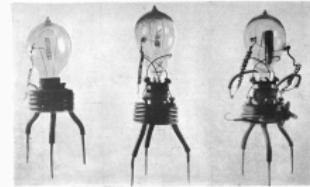
- Tesla/Westinghouse fought back
- When is the last time you had to consider the Thevenin resistance of your wall outlet?

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└ Fleming's Valve

└ The Dawn of Electronics



• Sir John Ambrose Fleming (1904)

- The first Vacuum Tube
- Derived from the light bulb (kinda look alike, no?)
- Edison's lab observed the phenomena but didn't know what to do with it
- Fleming put it to use rectifying AC electricity into DC

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• Sir John Ambrose Fleming (1904)

- Old Scientist... for scale
- Additional grids inside the tubes allow for control of current leading to applications such as:
 1. Amplification
 2. Rectification
 3. Switching
 4. Oscillation
 5. Display

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• A modern day tube amplifier

- used in analog circuits: radio rx/tx, television
- tubes are mostly obsolete now
- still used in some audio equipment
- Circuits became more complex
- still large enough for easy, albeit numerous, interconnects

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• ENIAC (1945)

- Digital circuits began with tubes as well
- This is one of Forty panels of the first digital computer
- two additional function panels

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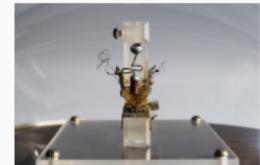
- Backside of the panel
- a whole lot of tubes
- Very Complex, But HUGE! ie “easy” to construct
- Not reliable, only functioned about 50% of the time

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- └ Shockley, Bardeen, and Brattain

- └ Semiconductors



• Shockley, Bardeen, and Brattain (1947)

- Shockley knew the theory, couldn't construct one
- Bardeen and Brattain built the first one working with Shockley
- Shockley eventually got his junction transistor to work
- Shockley usually gets most of the credit
- improved size and reliability
- still not commercially viable
- look at the screw heads for scale

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└ TI's Transistor Radio

└ Commercialization



• Table-top tube radio

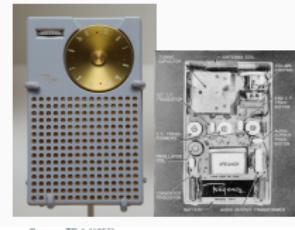
- Texas Instruments (TI) figured out how to manufacture transistors at scale
- Made radio receivers pocket-sized and battery-powered

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• Regency TR-1 (1956)

- Had two transistors
- one of the first commercial uses of a printed circuit board

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Assembly Video

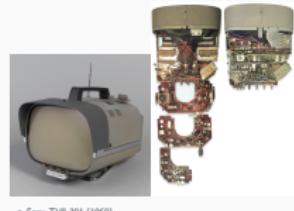
- Complexity continues to increase
- size is decreasing
- interconnect more difficult, though no impossible by hand
- watch video (2 minutes) and look for:
 - method of interconnect
 - method of populating parts on the board
 - how soldering was performed
 - how testing was performed
- no more point-to-point, hand soldered components
- still manually populated (no pick and place robots yet)
- still manually tested (no bed-of-nails automated testing yet)

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└ Sony's "Portable" Television

└ Commercialization



• Sony TVB-301 (1960)

- 8 inch screen, 6V lead acid battery to make it portable
- 23 transistors (some Si, some Ge)
- 17 Diodes
- Notoriously unreliable

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└ Kilby's Integrated Circuit

└ Miniaturization



• Jack Kilby (1958)

- first integrated circuit
- Components all in the same chunk of semiconductor
- interconnection between components external to semiconductor. So... almost there.
- 4 components
- Has two output states, related to oscillator, one-shot, flip-flop, and others

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└ TI's Multivibrator

└ Commercialization



• Texas Instruments multivibrator #502 (1960)

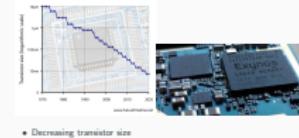
- TI again led commercially available ICs
- Multivibrator (think: 555 timer)
- Has two output states, related to oscillator, one-shot, flip-flop, and others

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└ The Rest is History

└ Miniaturization Continues



- Smaller transistors allow a more complex circuit to fit in the same space.

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└ Common Themes

└ Commercialization

- Size and physical form of parts
- How are parts connected together?
- How are parts placed for mechanical assembly?
- How is soldering performed?
- How is testing performed?
- How durable/viable are components?
- Environmental concerns

- We will examine many of these over the rest of the semester
- and a few others
- How can we build circuits?
- how are circuits manufactured?
- how are parts/circuits tested?
- How reliable are our circuits?
- What environmental concerns are there?