

# Introduction to Electronics

## L1: Introduction



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### Why Electronics?



Modern world *has been* and *is being* rapidly transformed by Electronics



Electronics offers capabilities that can be exploited by almost all engineering branches

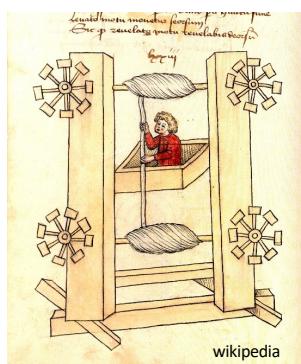


Almost all systems now include an electrical subsystem

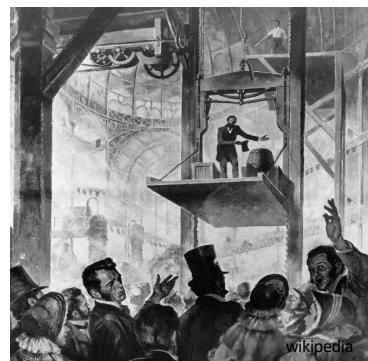


# Why Electronics

- Every action requires energy



Pre-industrial era



1853



Now!

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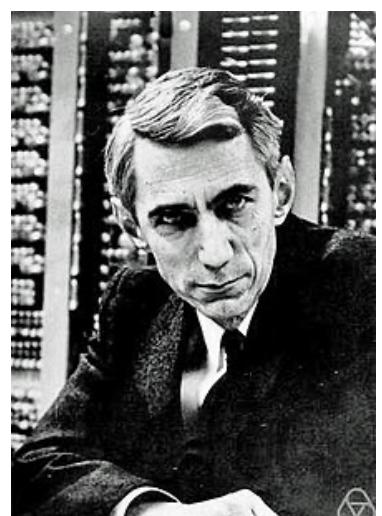
- Electricity is one of the most useful forms of energy
- It is easy to generate, easy to transport, can be easily converted into other forms of energy

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# Why Electronics

- Functionality and control
- Any functionality/logic can be represented via Boolean algebra
  - Computer programs and data consisting of 0,1s
- Claude Shannon
  - Masters thesis demonstrating that electrical applications of Boolean algebra could construct any logical numerical relationship.
  - Using this property of electrical switches to implement logic is the fundamental concept that underlies all electronic digital computers.
- Examples:
  - Add two numbers
  - Control a robotic arm under some specific conditions (if-else)



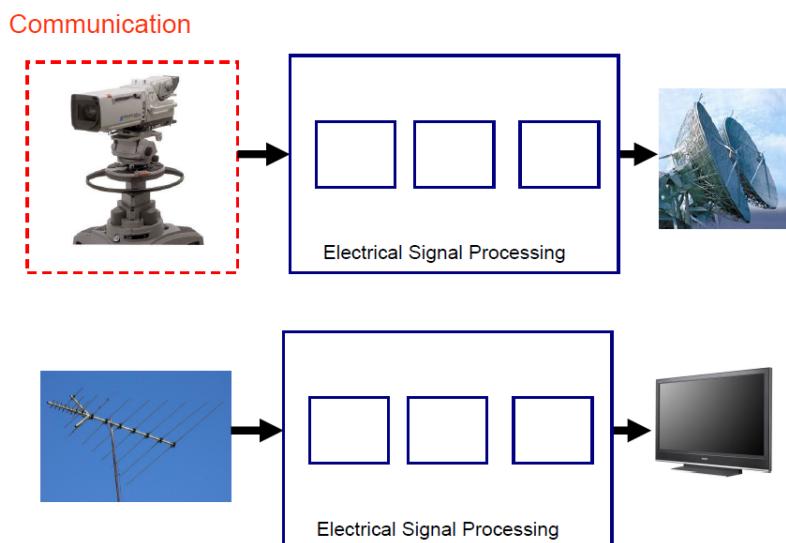
Claude Elwood Shannon  
Father of Information Theory

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# Why Electronics

- Electro-magnetic waves: Communications and Imaging



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# Electrical Engineering

- Electrical Circuits
- Electronics Circuits
- Semiconductor devices
- Signal processing/ Image processing
- Communications
- Networks
- Algorithms, Data Analytics, Learning
- and much more

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# Relationship of Electrical Engineering with Others

## Mechanical

Control for mechanical systems, robotics  
Optimization

## Chemical

Nano-machines, Molecular communications,  
System dynamics  
Instrumentation

## Material Science

Device Characterization  
Semiconductors  
Electrical properties of materials

## Computer Sciences

Processor and Interface  
Circuits (Computer Architecture), ML, Networks,

## Math/Statistics

Networks, Graphs,  
Optimization, Machine learning

## Biological Science

Biomedical, Bio-signal processing  
Imaging  
DNA coding/encryption

## Aerospace

Control for devices  
System Dynamics  
UAVs: Control and Communication

## Civil

Transportation  
Remote sensing

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# Charge

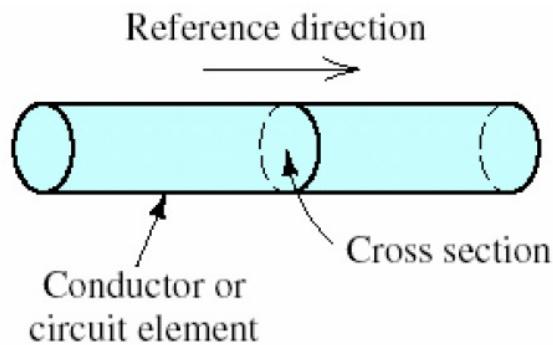
- Charge is a fundamental property of matter and is said to be conserved
  - Can neither be created nor be destroyed
- Two types of charge
  - Same types attract and opposite types repel
- Charge is designated by symbol q has unit coulombs (C)
- Negative charge carried by a single electron is **-1.602×10<sup>-19</sup> C**
  - Smallest unit of charge that exists
- Charge is the substance of which electric current is made

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# Electrical Current

- Current is simply a measure of how much charge is moved per unit of time
- Units are amperes (A), which are equivalent to coulombs per second (C/s)



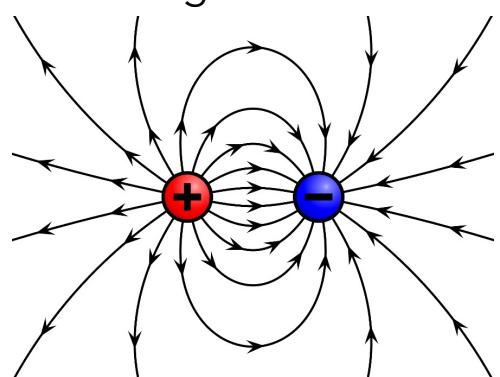
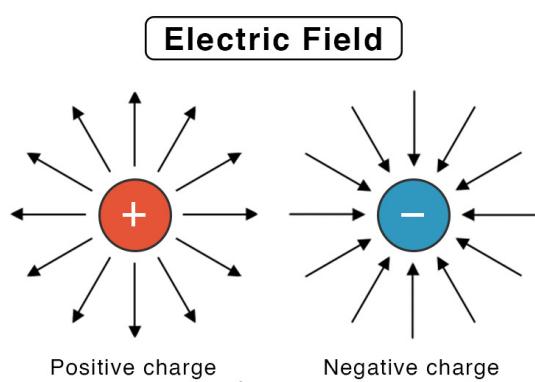
$$i(t) = \frac{dq(t)}{dt}$$

André-Marie Ampère  
1775-1836



# Electric Field

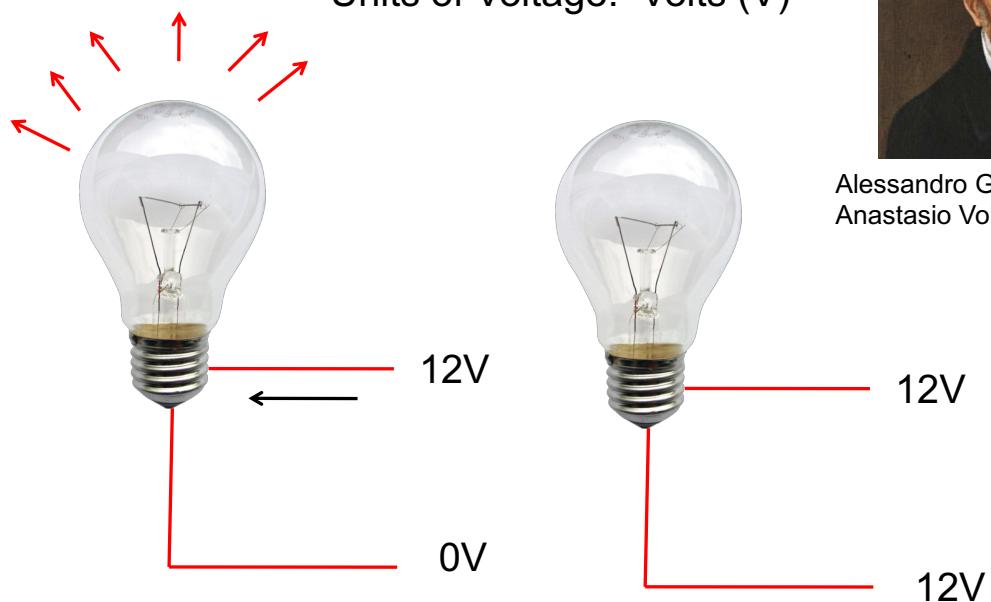
- Electric field surrounds charges
- Exerts force on charged particles and responsible to move them in its direction: current
- Generates potential difference between two points: Voltage



# Voltage

Voltage difference acts a source of current flow

Units of Voltage: Volts (V)



Alessandro Giuseppe Antonio  
Anastasio Volta 1745-1827

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## Voltage Sources



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# Electrical elements

Electrical Systems are made of Voltage sources, wires and a variety of **electrical elements**



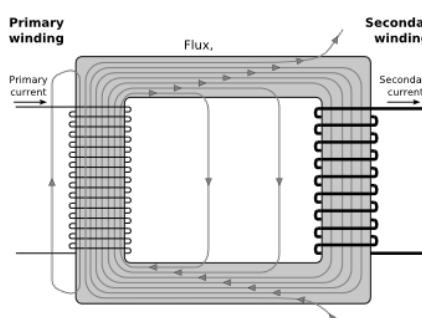
Resistor



Capacitor



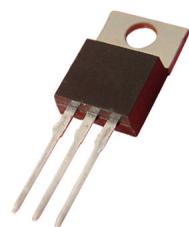
Inductor



Transformer



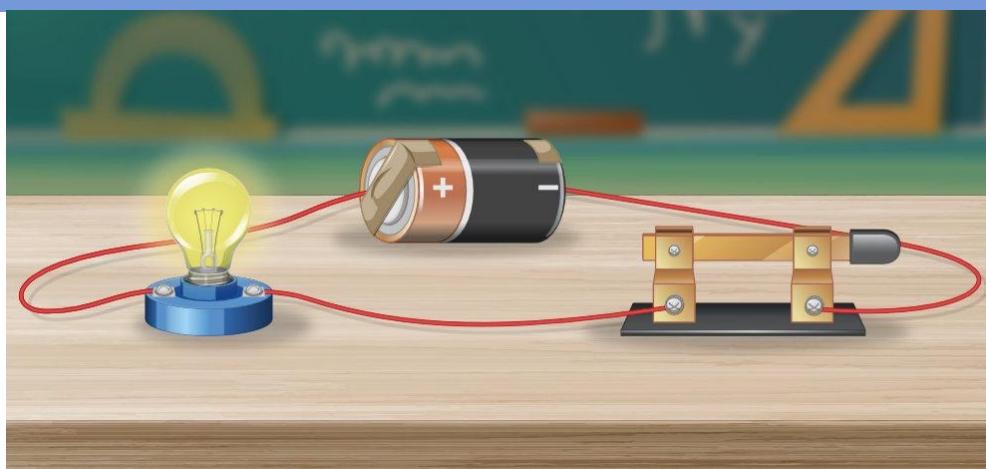
Diode



Transistor

# Electrical Circuit

Analyze circuit



## Questions

Compute current given voltage

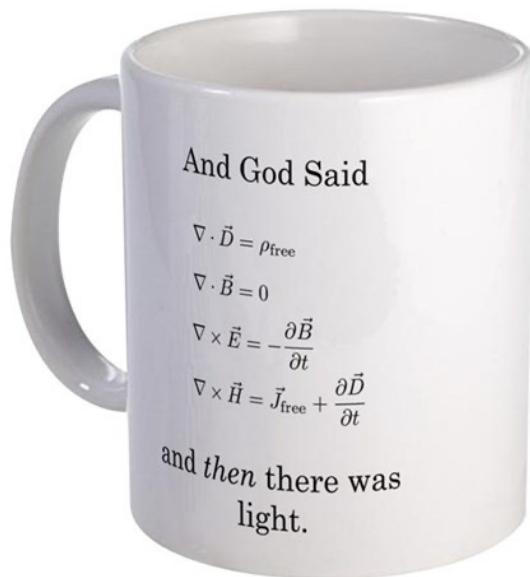
Compute light intensity generated from bulb

How to solve these questions?

# Back to Maxwell's Equations

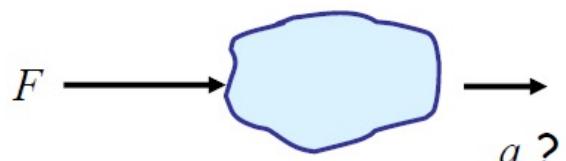
- Should we write Maxwell's equations everytime

- Gainful employment of Maxwell's equations to build interesting systems
- Create an abstraction layer
  - Avoid dealing with Maxwell's eq



## Abstraction

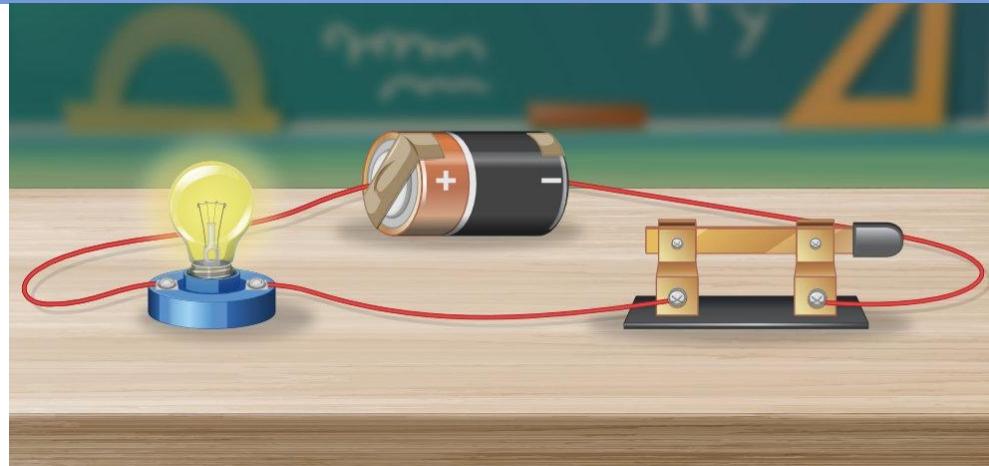
- Example: point mass abstraction



- What is the acceleration?  $a = F/m$
- Ignoring the object's shape, rigidity, temperature
- Point-mass discretization or *lumping*
- Useful at all levels

# Electrical Circuit

Analyze circuit



## Questions

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How to solve these questions?

Need to understand each element's behavior? [Characterization](#)

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## Lumped Circuit Abstraction

1.  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{D} = \rho_v$
2.  $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$
3.  $\nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t}$
4.  $\nabla \times \mathbf{H} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{D}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{J}$



V	I
3	1
6	2
9	3
12	4

Ohm's Law

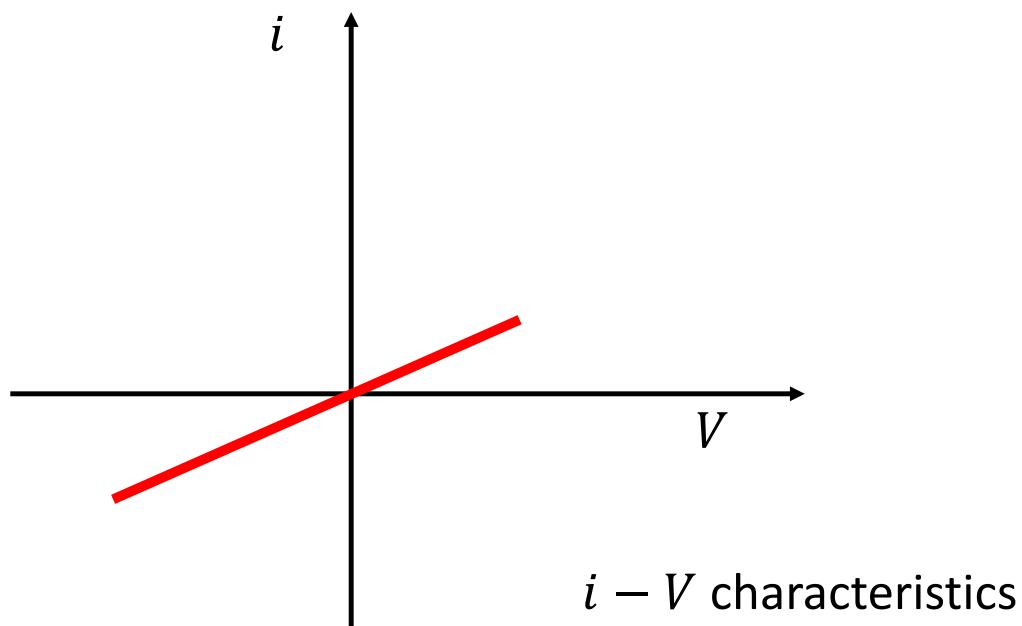
$$V = I * R$$

voltage in volts      current in amps      resistance in ohms

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# Bulb's behavior

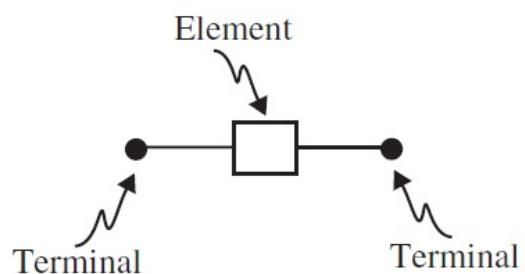
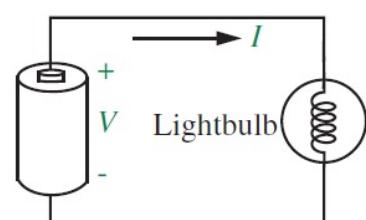


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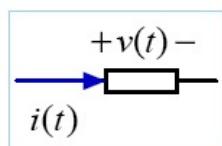
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## Lumped circuit abstraction

- Ignore:
  - Temperature
  - Orientation
  - How current flows inside the filament



# Resistor



$$v(t) = R \times i(t)$$

Ohm's law

The constant,  $R$ , is called the resistance of the component and is measured in units of Ohm ( $\Omega$ )



Standard Multiples of Ohm

$M\Omega$     Mega Ohm ( $10^6 \Omega$ )

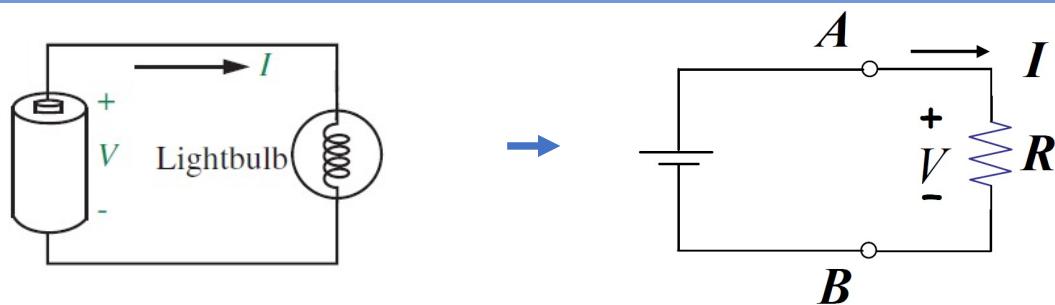
$k\Omega$     Kilo Ohm ( $10^3 \Omega$ )

Resistor Symbol:



Georg Simon Ohm  
1789-1854

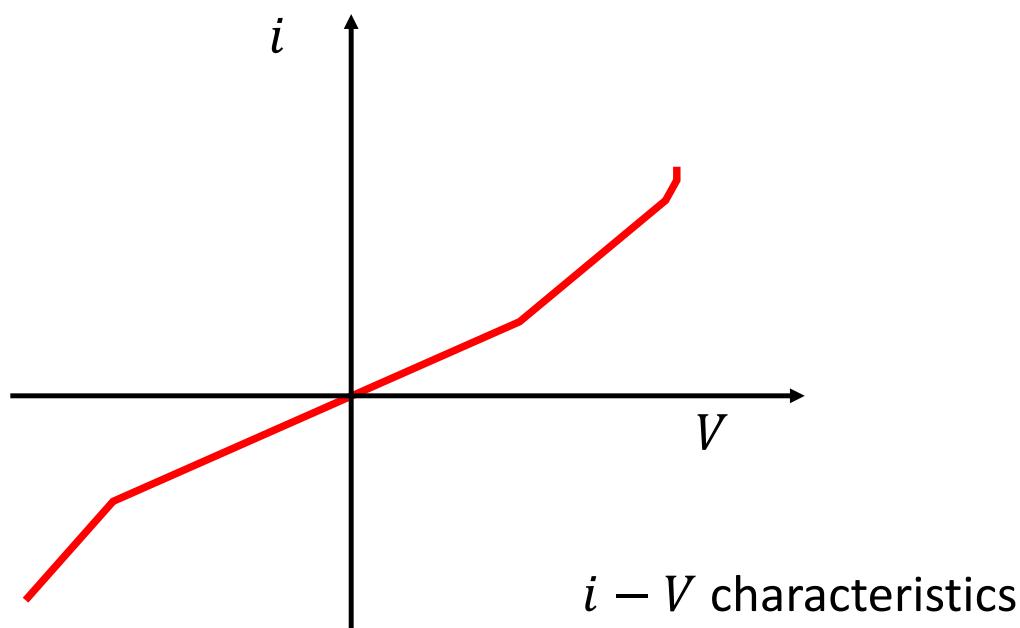
## The easy way



- For the purpose of calculating the current,  $R$  is enough!
- $R$  is a lumped element abstraction for the bulb

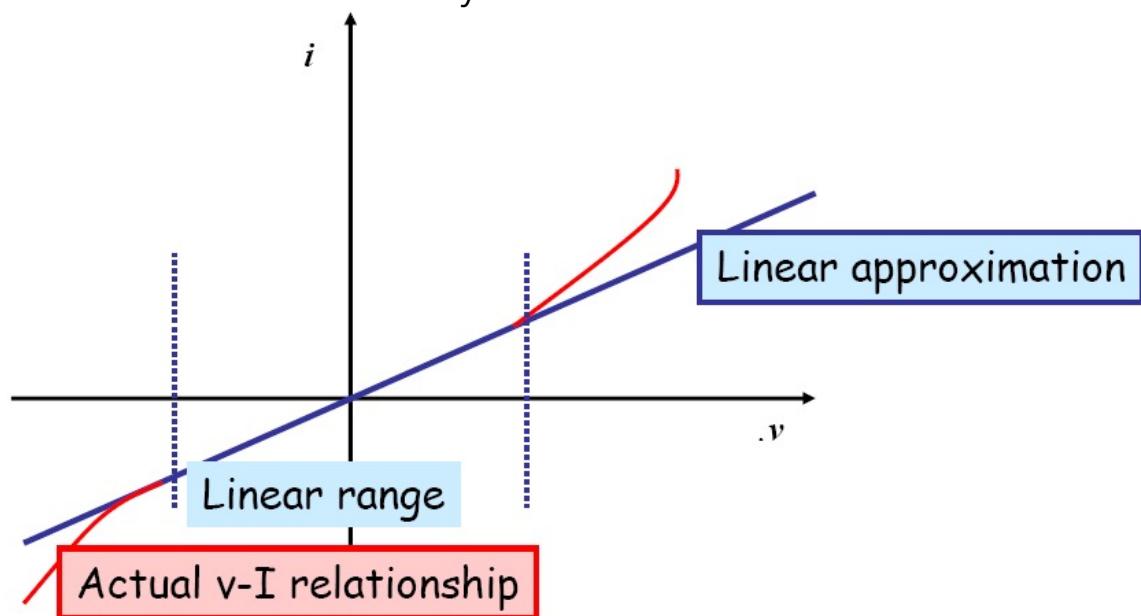
$$I = \frac{V}{R}$$

## Bulb's behavior



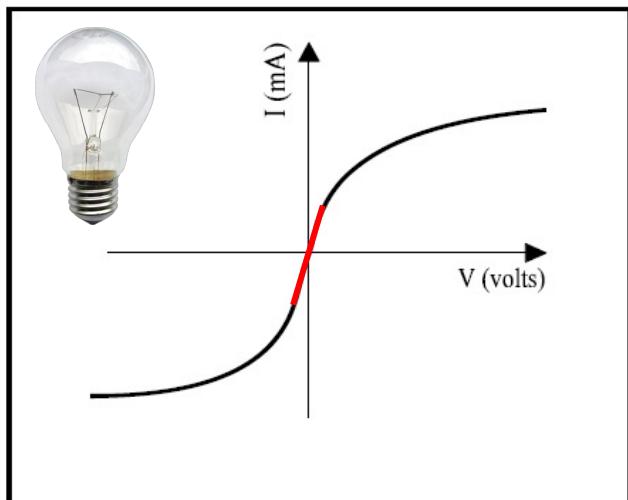
## Bulb's behavior

Any electrical element which obeys ohms law can be modeled as a resistor



Can we model an electric bulb as a resistor?

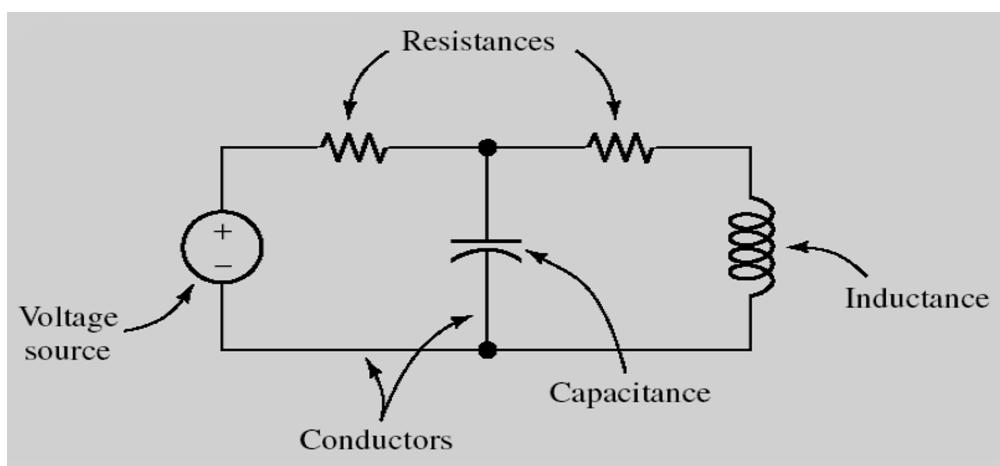
# Bulb's behavior



Even though characteristics are non-linear, over a certain range, the bulb can be thought of as a **resistor**

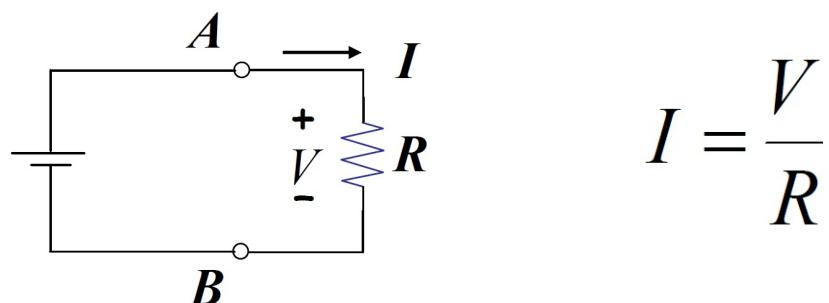
# Lumped Circuit Abstractions

Connection of several circuit elements in closed paths by conductors



Before we learn how to analyze and design circuits, we must become familiar with some basic circuit elements.

# The easy way



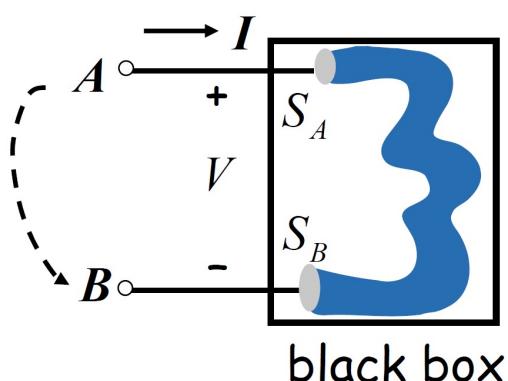
$$I = \frac{V}{R}$$

- For the purpose of calculating the current, R is enough!
- R is a lumped element abstraction for the bulb
- Q: Is it reasonable?
- We need to understand what is going on behind the scenes

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## Is it reasonable?



**V** **I**

must be defined  
for the element

- Current in = current out  $\frac{\partial q}{\partial t} = 0$

- Voltage across A and B should be unique  $\frac{\partial \phi_B}{\partial t} = 0$

# Caution

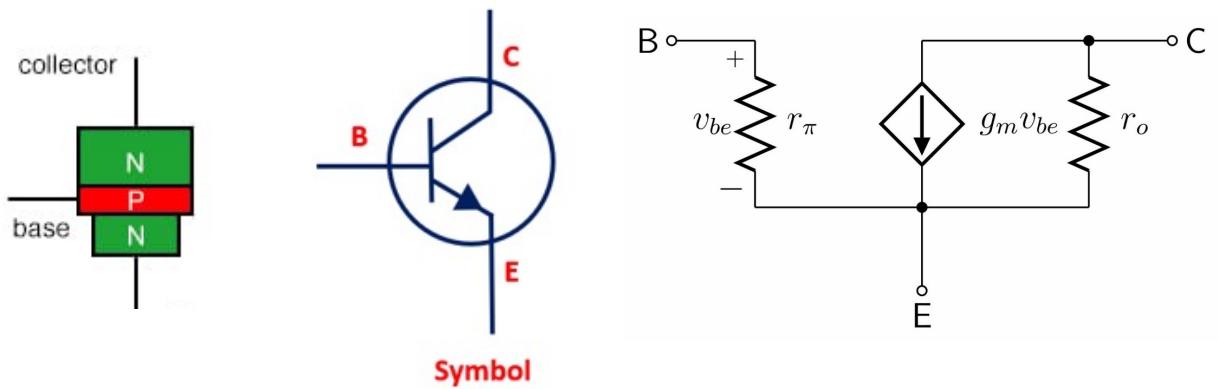
- The abstraction  $V = IR$  is valid under certain constraints
  - E.g.,  $V, I, R$  must be defined for the element (bulb)
- What if they are not?
  - Open the abstraction and go to details at the lower level

# Abstraction

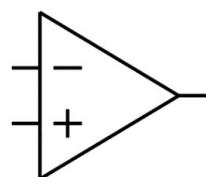
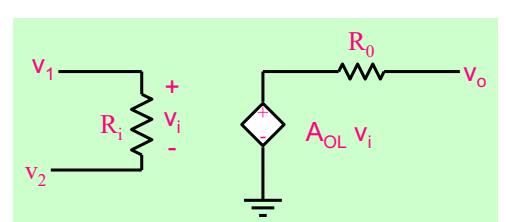
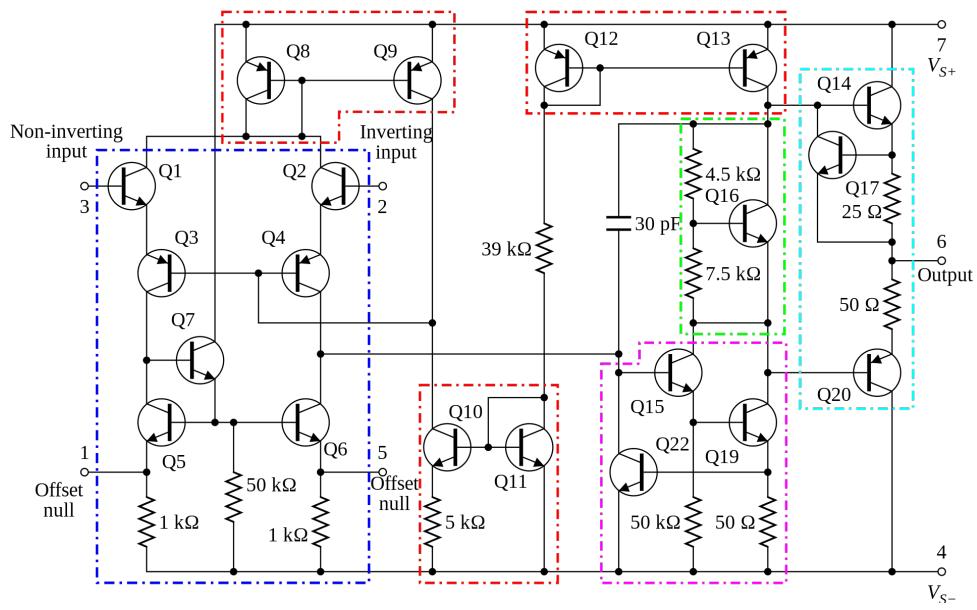
- Layers of abstraction
- Useful at all levels

# Transistor Level

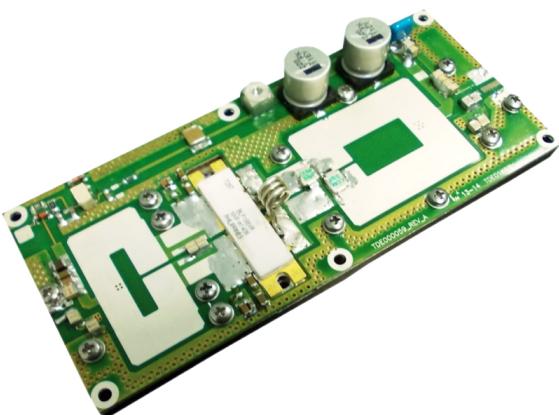
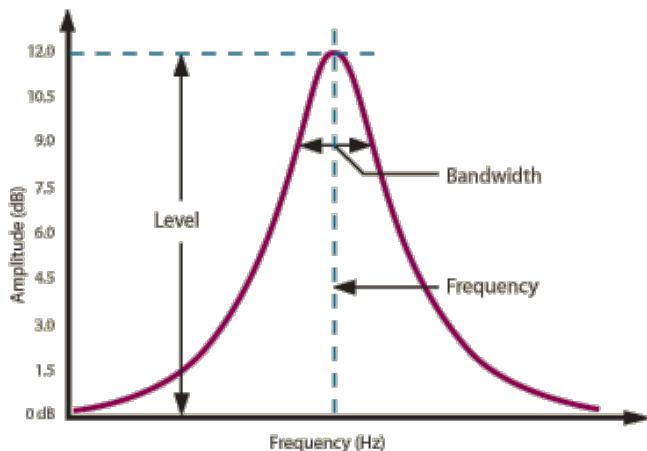
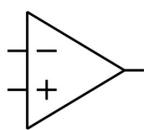
- Semiconductor transistor



# OpAmp



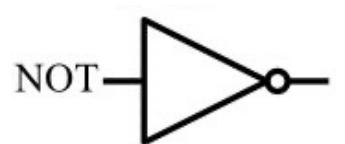
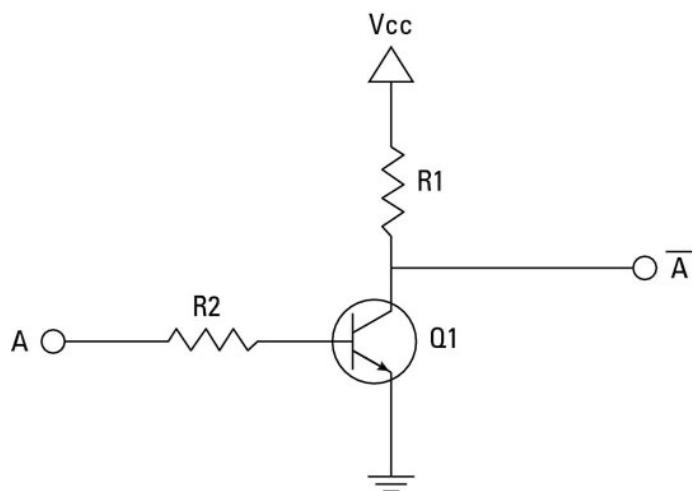
# OpAmp Abstraction



Power supplies  
Oscillators  
Modulators  
RF Amplifiers

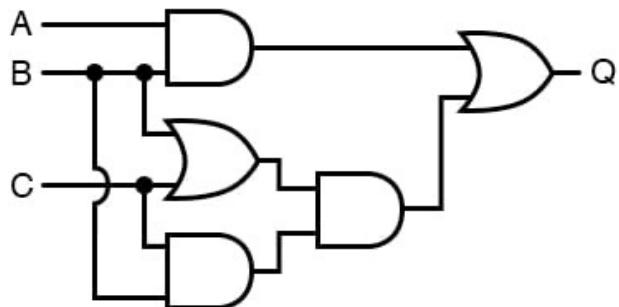
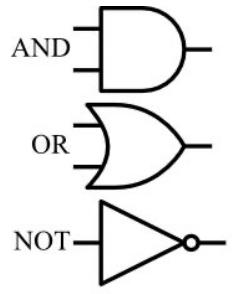
# Gate Level

- Transistors form logical gates



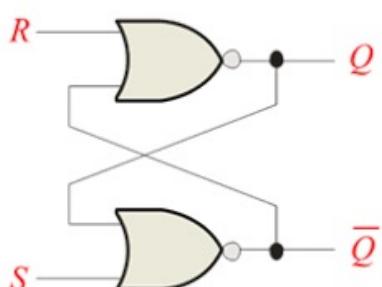
I	O
T	F
F	T

# Digital Abstraction



I1	I2	O
T	T	F
T	F	T
F	T	F
F	F	T

# Digital Abstraction



registers  
- memory

Register transfer level (RTL)

```
at clock-edge
change   Q by R
Increase D by 1
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Instruction Sets  
X86, Pentium, MIPS



Software systems  
OS, Browser

# Schedule

- Class
  - Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 8-9 am
- Tutorial
  - Thursday 8-9 am
  - No tutorial first week
- Lab
  - One Lab session each week out of five days. 2-5 pm
  - No Lab first week

# The Instructor

- Course Instructor:
  - Prof. Abhishek Gupta
  - [Email: gkrabhi@iitk.ac.in](mailto:gkrabhi@iitk.ac.in)
  - Assistant professor, Electrical Engineering
  - Research areas:
    - Wireless communications
    - 5G and Beyond
    - Probability theory



# Lab Instructor

- Lab Coordination
  - Prof. K.S. Venkatesh [venkats@iitk.ac.in](mailto:venkats@iitk.ac.in)



## Sections: Section Tutors

# Course Objective

- The course offers an introduction to the basic principles of electrical circuit analysis and exposes students to electronic devices and analog and digital electronic circuits
- To provide a panoramic view of the mutual relevance and dependence between other branches of engineering and sciences with concepts encountered in electronics
- Mathematical modeling methods useful across disciplines

# Course Content

Circuits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Circuit Analysis (Nodal, Mesh, Superposition, Thevenin's and Norton's Theorem)</li><li>- Elements with memory- inductors/capacitors</li><li>- Transient analysis and sinusoidal steady state analysis circuits</li><li>- Transfer function and frequency response</li></ul>
Diodes/Transistors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Non-linear circuits- Diode/transistors/BJT</li><li>- Semi-conductor evolution</li><li>- Circuit analysis- Large/small scale signals</li><li>- Applications- Rectifiers/amplifiers</li><li>- Opamps (Operational amplifier) circuits</li></ul>
Digital Circuits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Logic gates, logic minimization</li><li>- Combinational circuits</li><li>- Sequential circuits, Flip flops, Counters, shift registers</li><li>- Data convertors (ADC, DAC)</li></ul>

## Additional Side-objectives

- Learn tools which are applicable to other engineering applications
  - Linear systems
    - Most of engineering systems. How to make them linear.
  - Transfer function and frequency domain analysis
    - Applicable to any linear system e.g. robotics, chemical systems
  - Abstraction

# References

- Most of these books are available online as well as in the Library (check both circulation and reference sections). You may use whichever book you prefer.
  - Foundations of Analog and Digital Electronic Circuits by Agarwal, Lang, Elsevier
  - Engineering Circuit Analysis by W. Hayt, J. E. Kemmerly and S. M. Durbin, TATA McGraw Hill
  - Electronic Devices and Circuit Theory by R. Boylestad and L. Nashelsky, Prentice Hall of India
  - Microelectronics Circuits, by Sedra/Smith, 5th edition, Oxford University Press
  - Digital Design by Mano, Ciletti, 4th edition, Pearson
  - Digital Principles and Applications, by Leach, Malvino, 5th edition, Tata McGraw Hill
  - Essential of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Kerns and Irvin, Pearson, Prentice Hall, 2004.

# Tutorial Plan

- Tutorials are for clarifying any doubts regarding lectures and assignments
- Homework Assignment sheets will be given every week
- For proper learning it is expected that you would attempt to solve all the problems prior to tutorial
- You are **not required** to submit homework solutions
- Solutions to homework assignments will be discussed in tutorials
- A Mini-Quiz in the starting of every tutorial

# Grading Scheme

• Lab component	15%
• Mini-Quizzes	15%
• 2 Major Quizzes (Dates 31 Aug, 2 Nov)	20%
• Midsem Exam	20%
• Final Exam	30%

## Attendance policies

Attending classes strongly recommended

Missing more than 25 lectures → automatic drop/F

First week is not included

## Academic honesty policy

Any cheating/academic dishonesty: automatic F

## Policy regarding missed exams/labs:

- If you miss an examination due to approved medical leave or you have your leave approved by the competent authority at IIT Kanpur, following policy will be applied.
  1. *Missed Quiz-1/Quiz-II/Mid-semster examination:* No make up examination.
  2. *Missed Endsem:* You will be allowed to sit in a make-up examination if approved by DoAA. It is your responsibility to apply to DoAA for it.
  3. *Missed Laboratory sessions:* You will be allowed to complete the experiment in the designated make-up laboratory sessions. However, if you do not appear in the makeup laboratory sessions, you will be awarded zero marks for that experiment.
  4. *Missed tutorial 10 minutes mini-quiz:* No make-up examination will be allowed for missed tutorial quiz. (Best n-1 out of n quizzes)

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