

# How To Make (Almost) Anything 2023

## Recitation - Electronics

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Slides adapted from prior HTMAA years

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4. Program your board to do something

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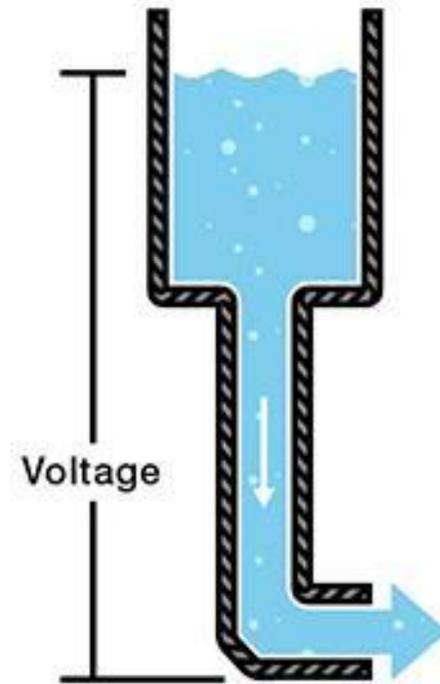
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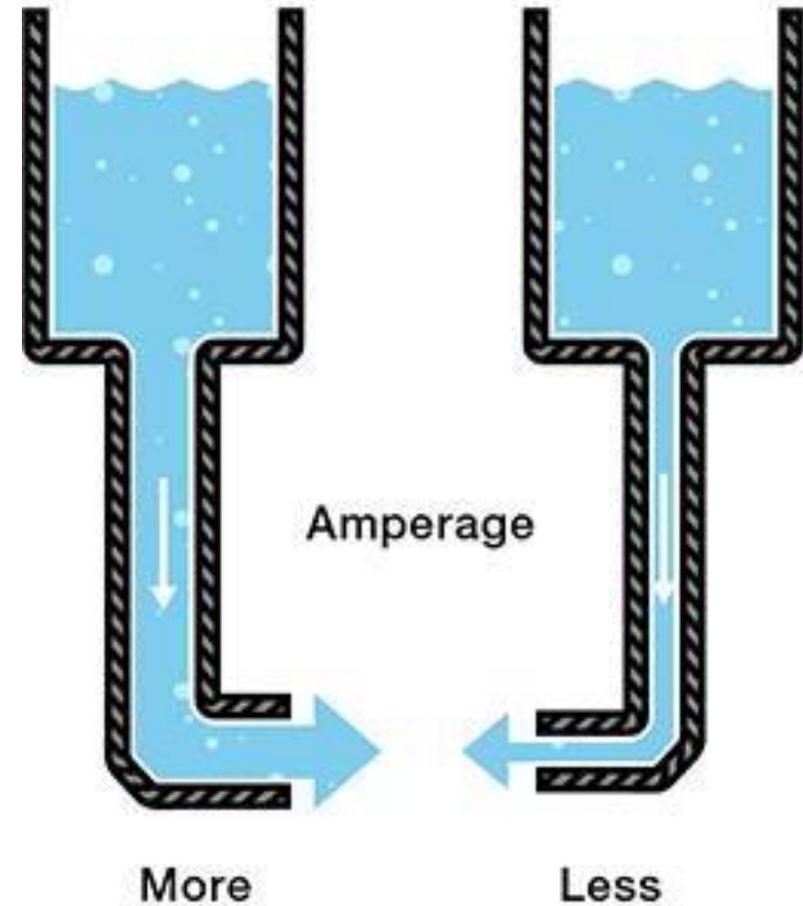
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Measures the **difference in electrical potential** between two points – often an input voltage (vcc) and ground (gnd)



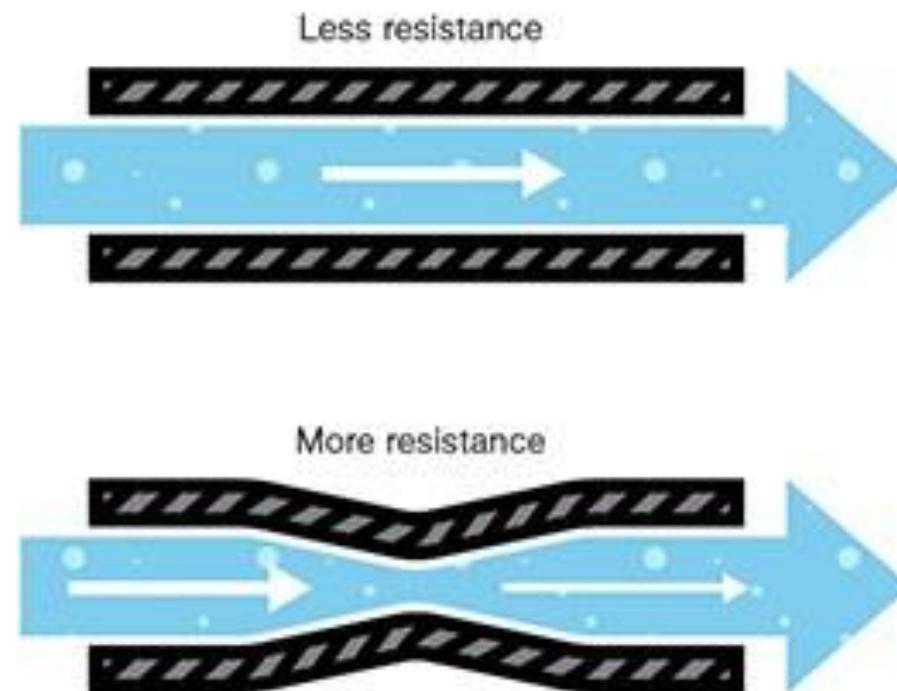
# Current

Measures the **rate of flow of electrons** in a circuit



# Resistance

Measures **how hard it is for electrons to move** through a circuit



# Triplet

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- Voltage: potential to do work (electron pressure)
- Current: work (electron flow)
- Resistance: ... friction (electron resistance)

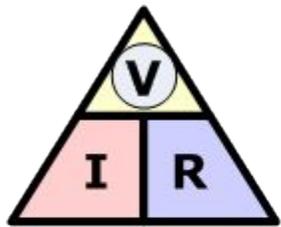
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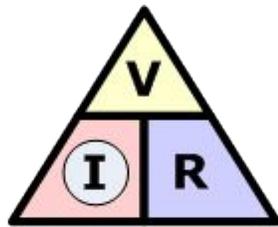
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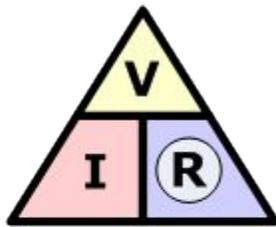
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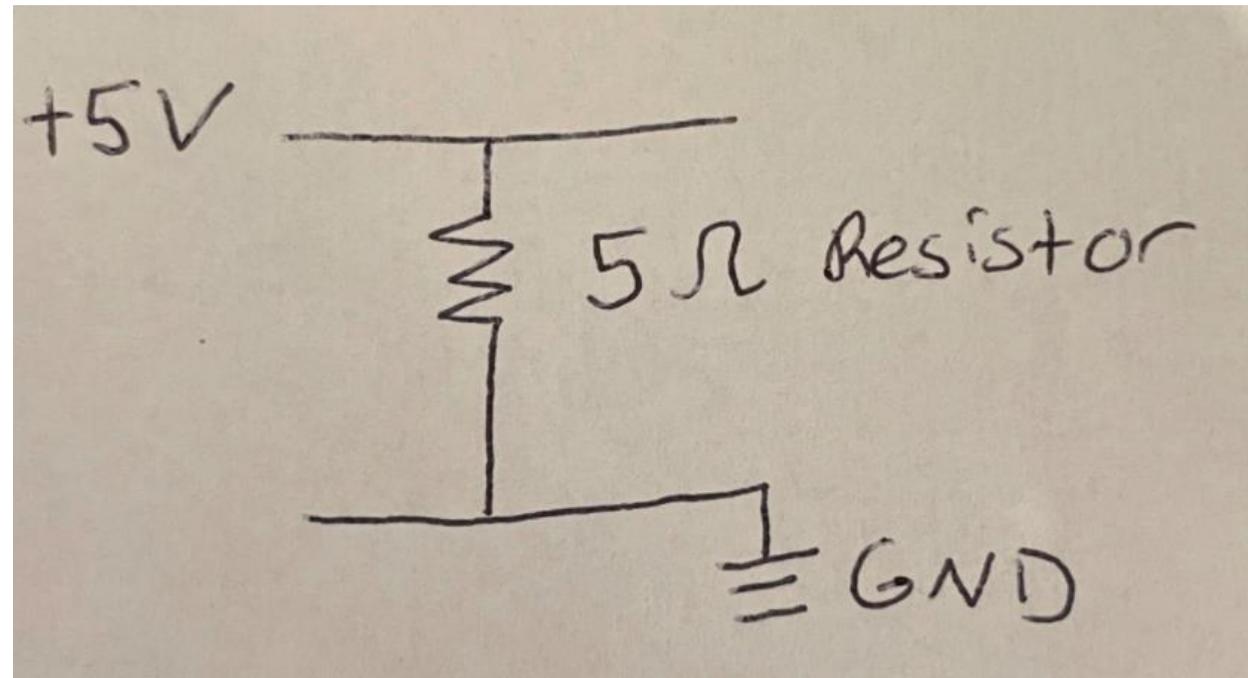


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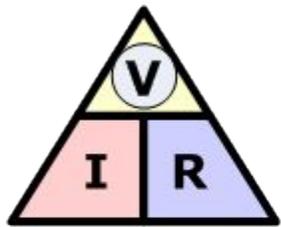
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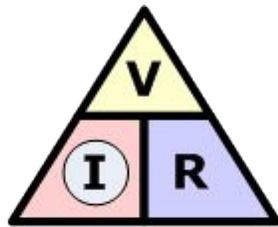
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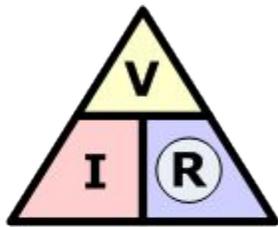
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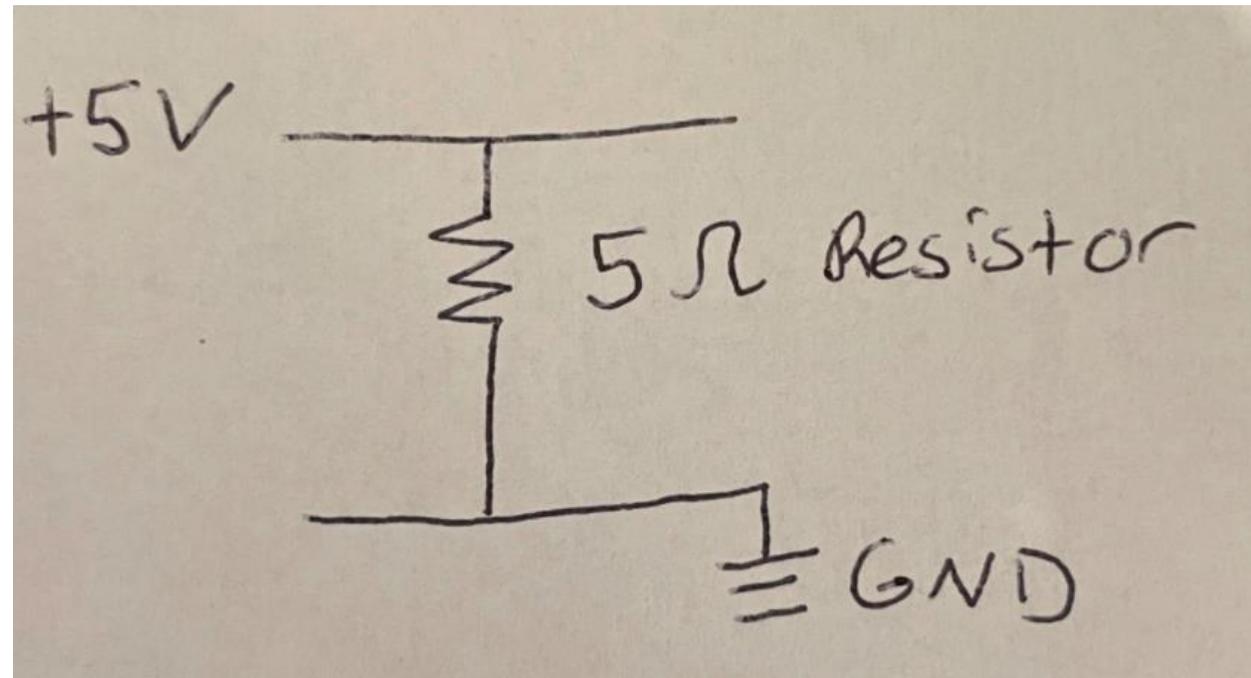


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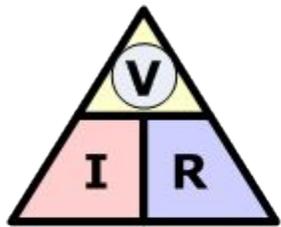
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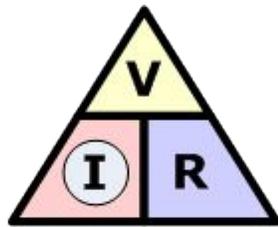
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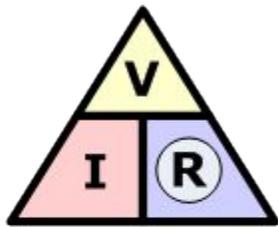
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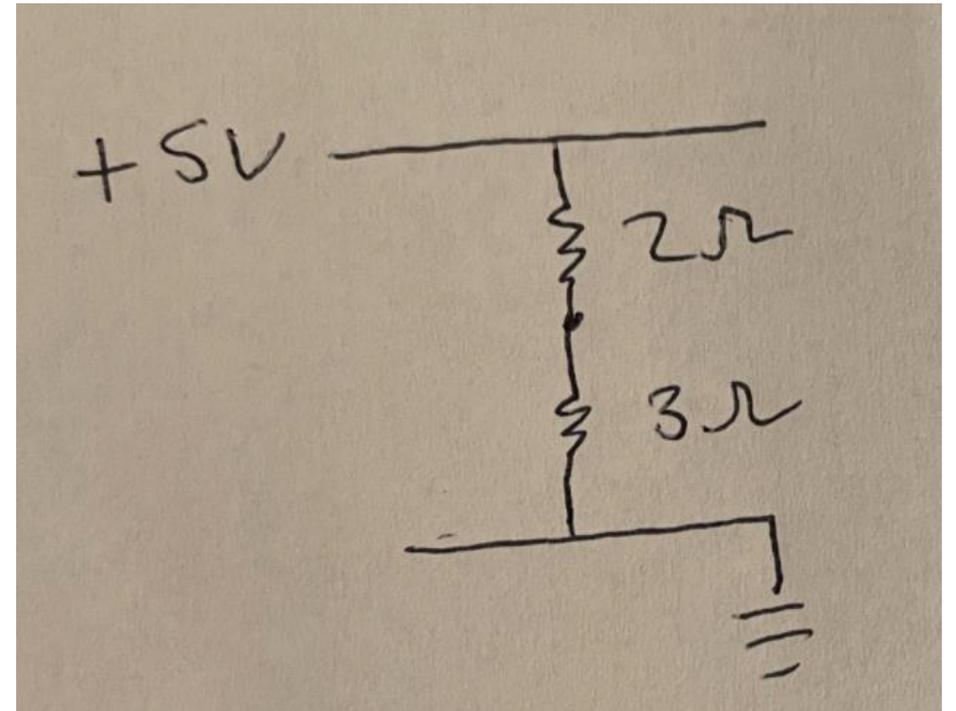


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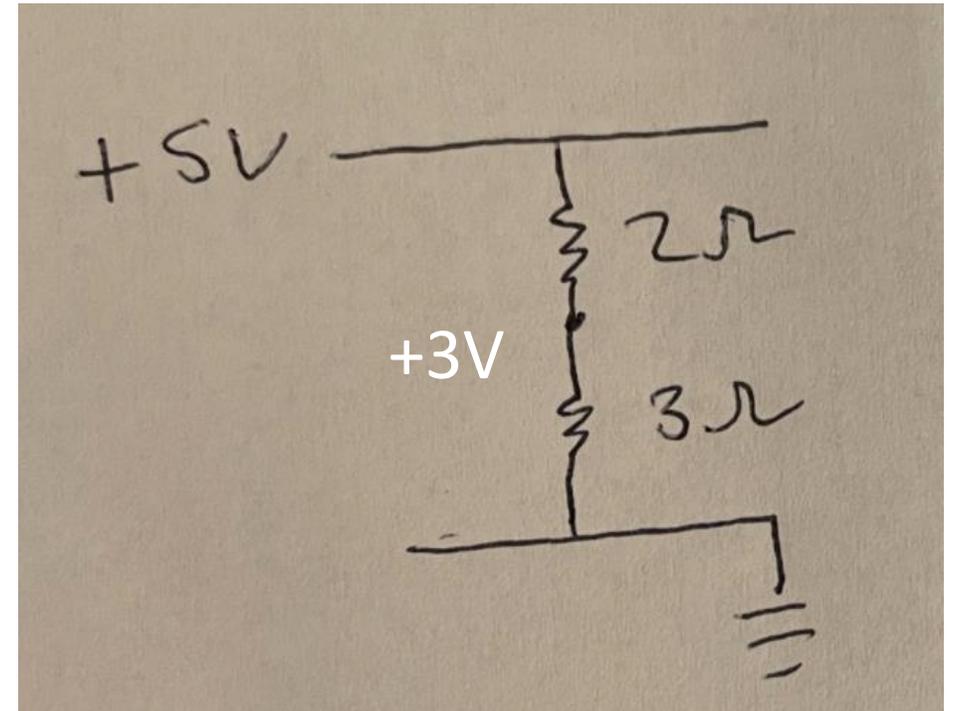
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- Resistance in series adds
- To learn more about series and parallel check out this link: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Series\\_and\\_parallel\\_circuits](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Series_and_parallel_circuits)

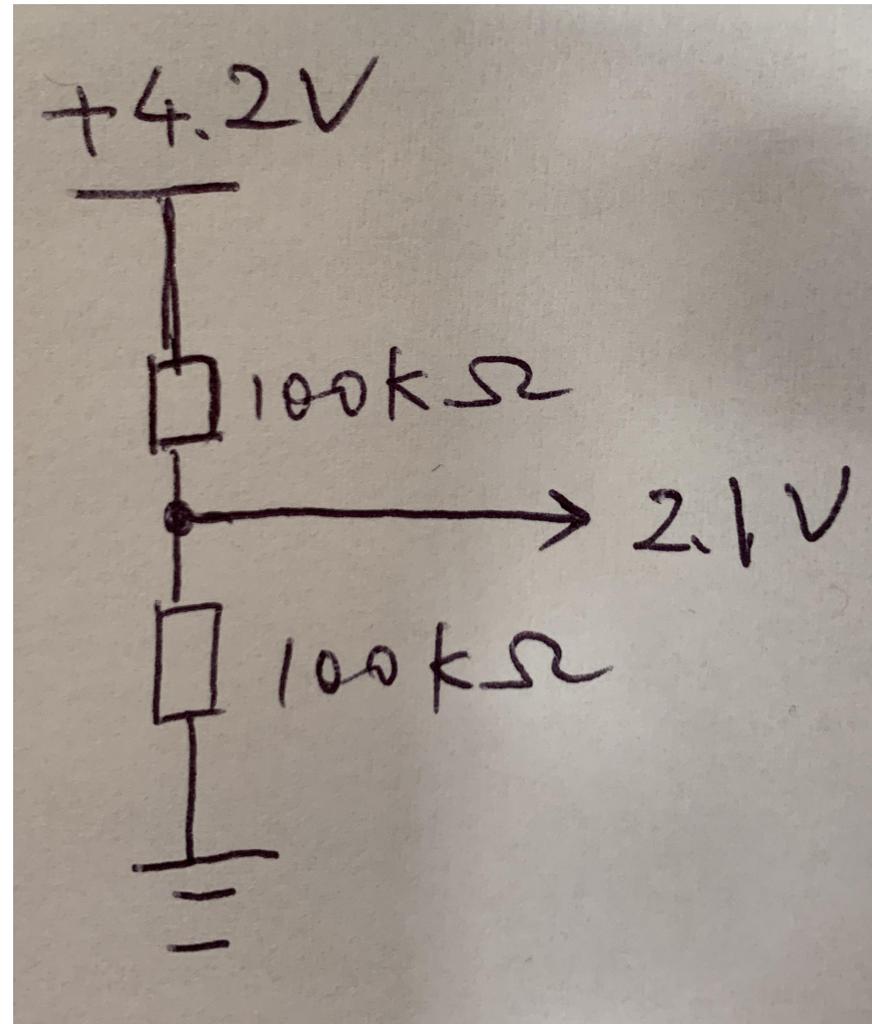
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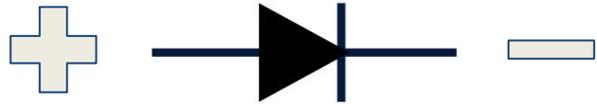
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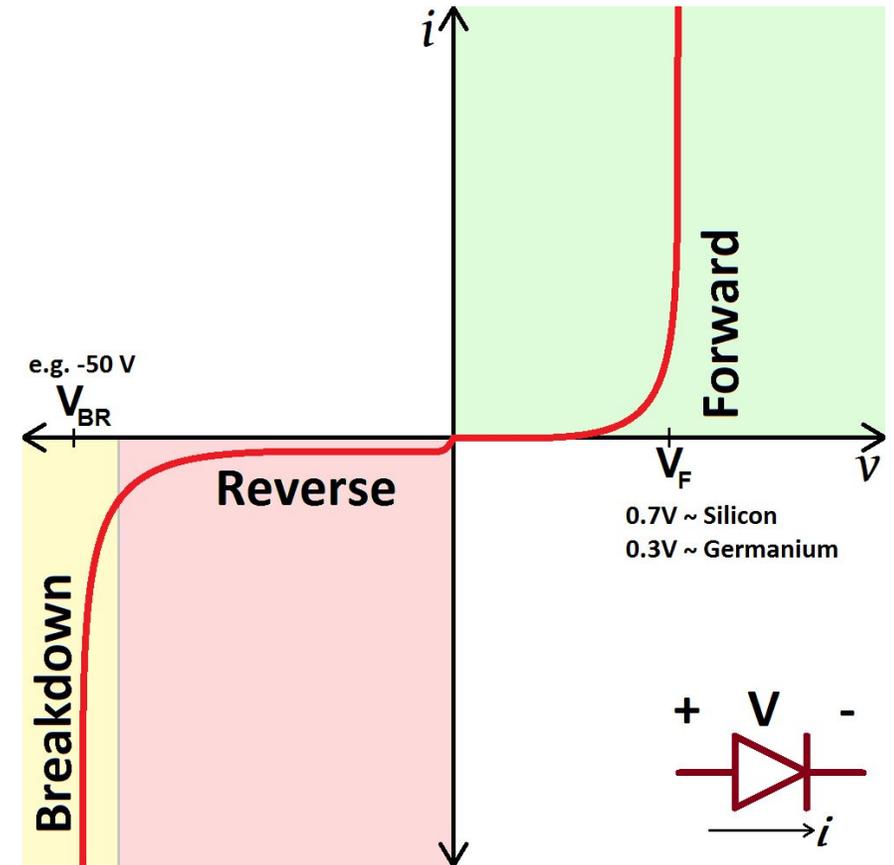
Very useful for monitoring battery voltage

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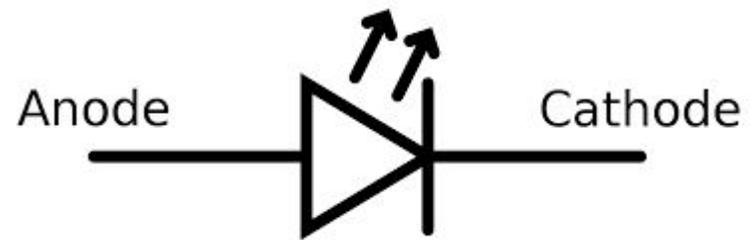
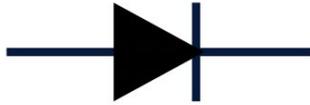
Current flow in one direction only

Sort of... :p



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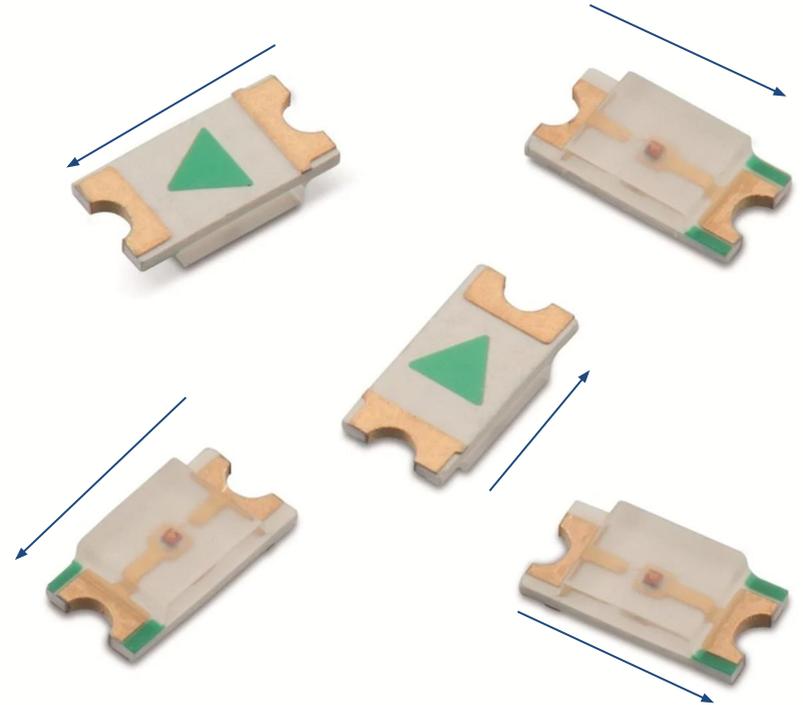
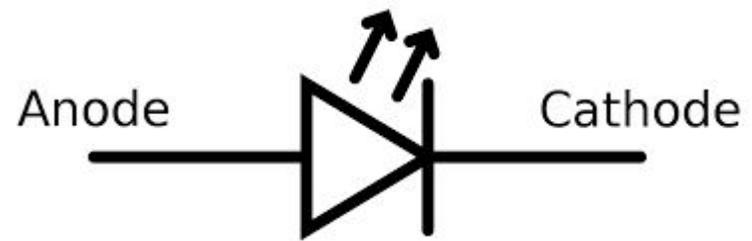
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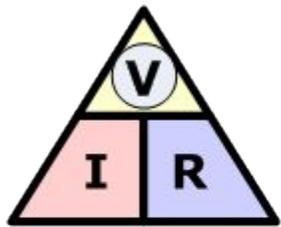
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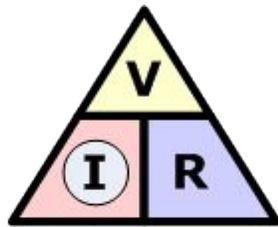
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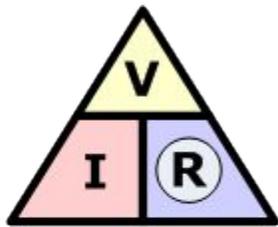
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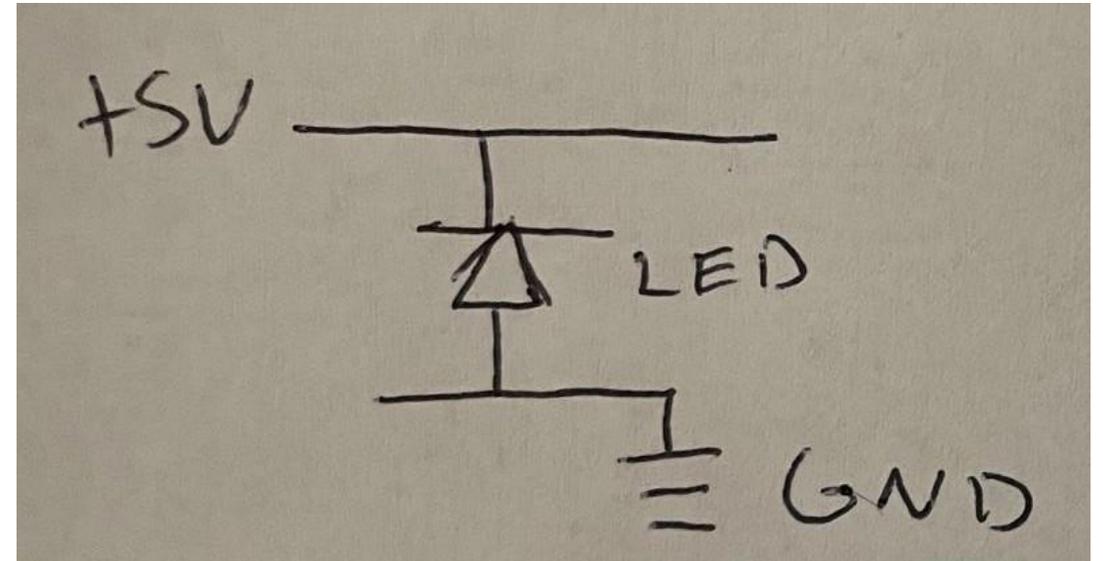


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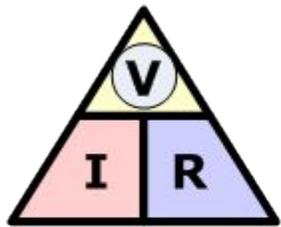
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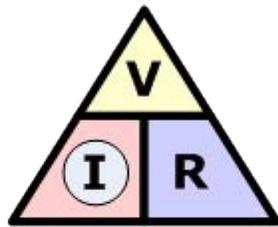
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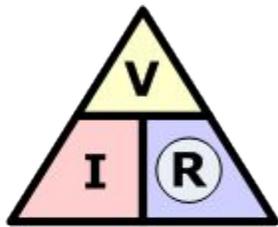
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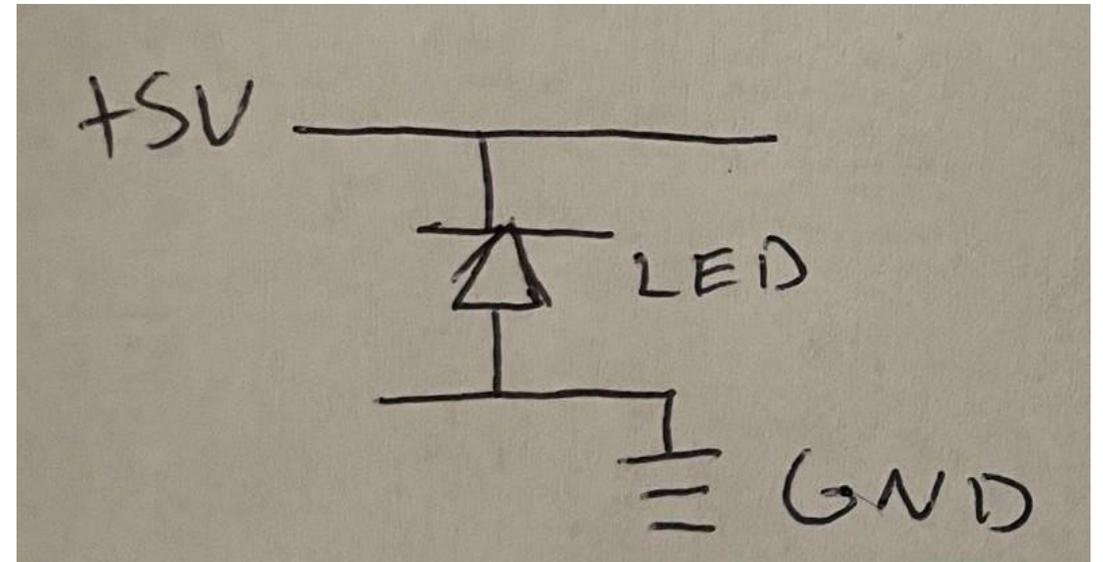


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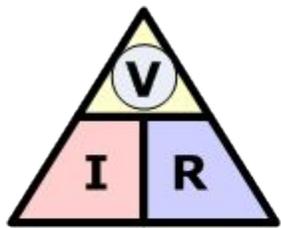
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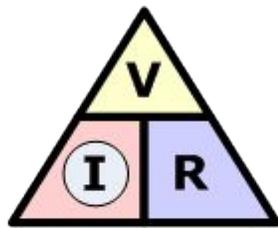
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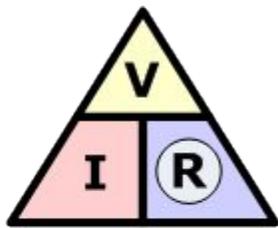
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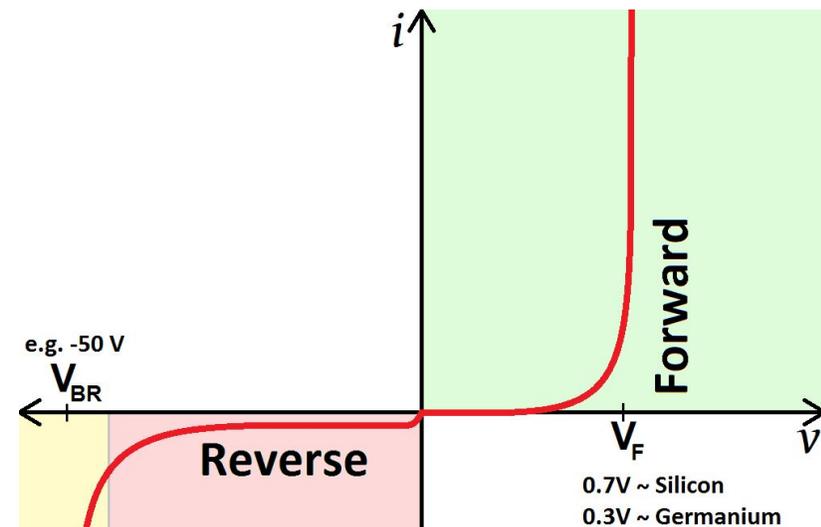
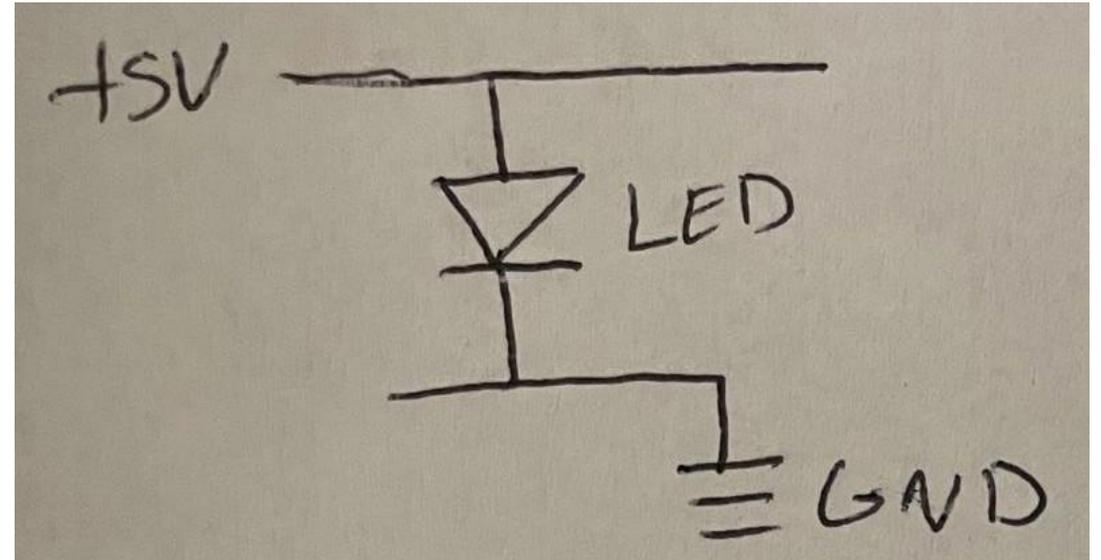


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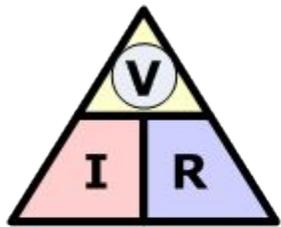
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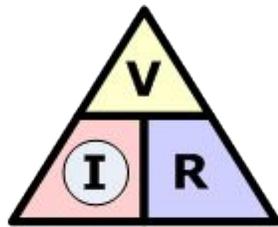
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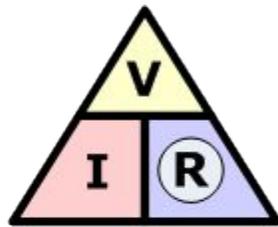
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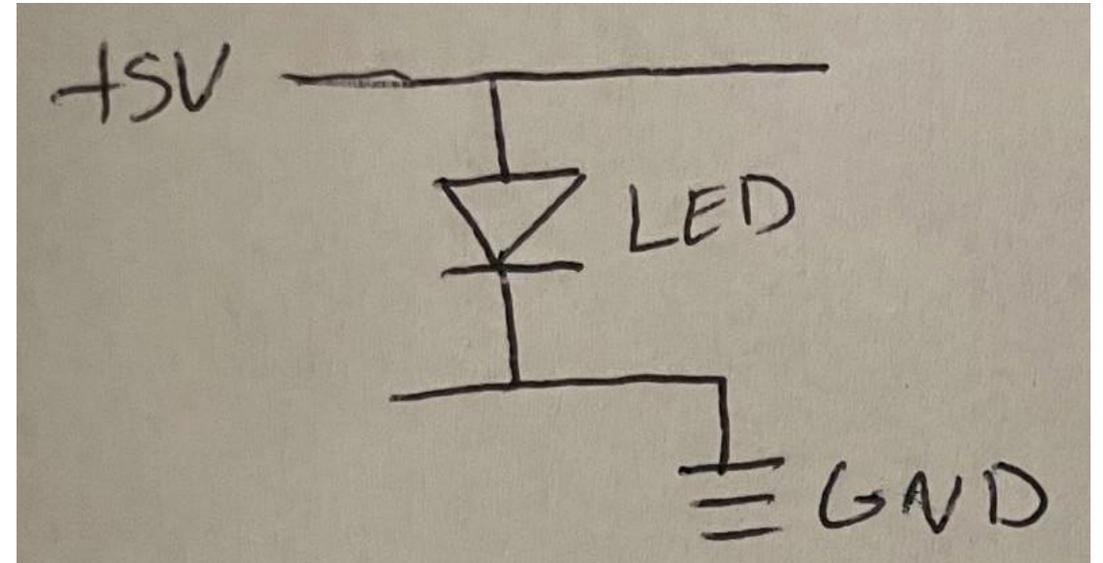


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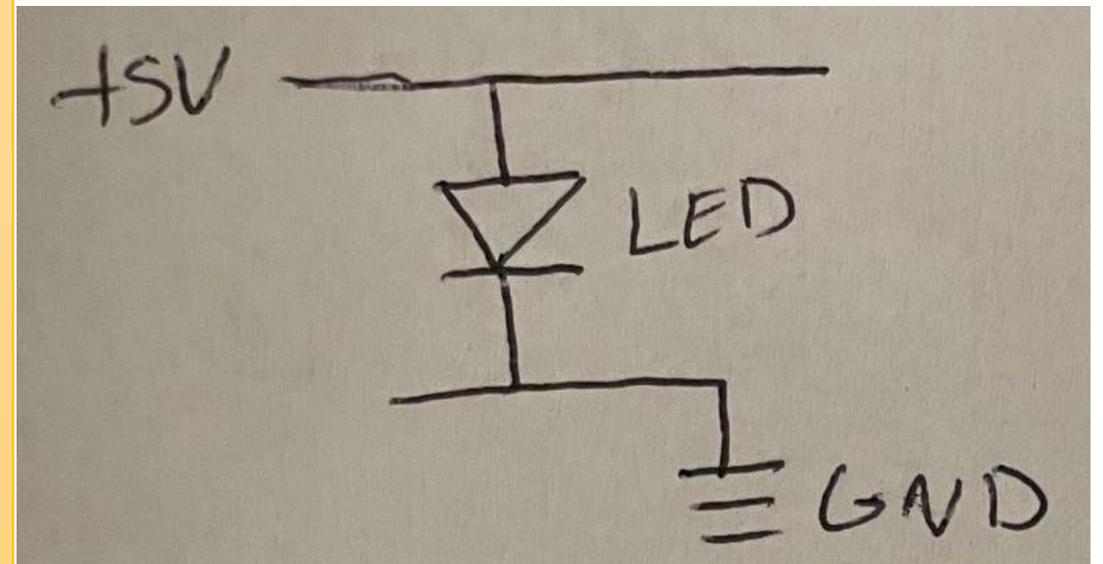
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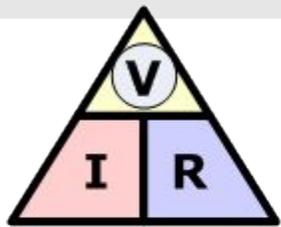
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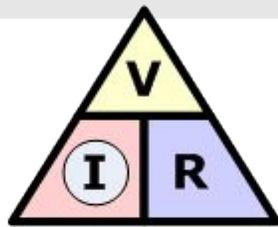
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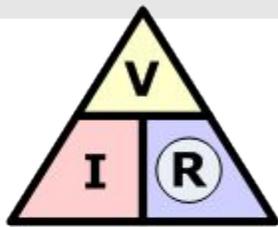
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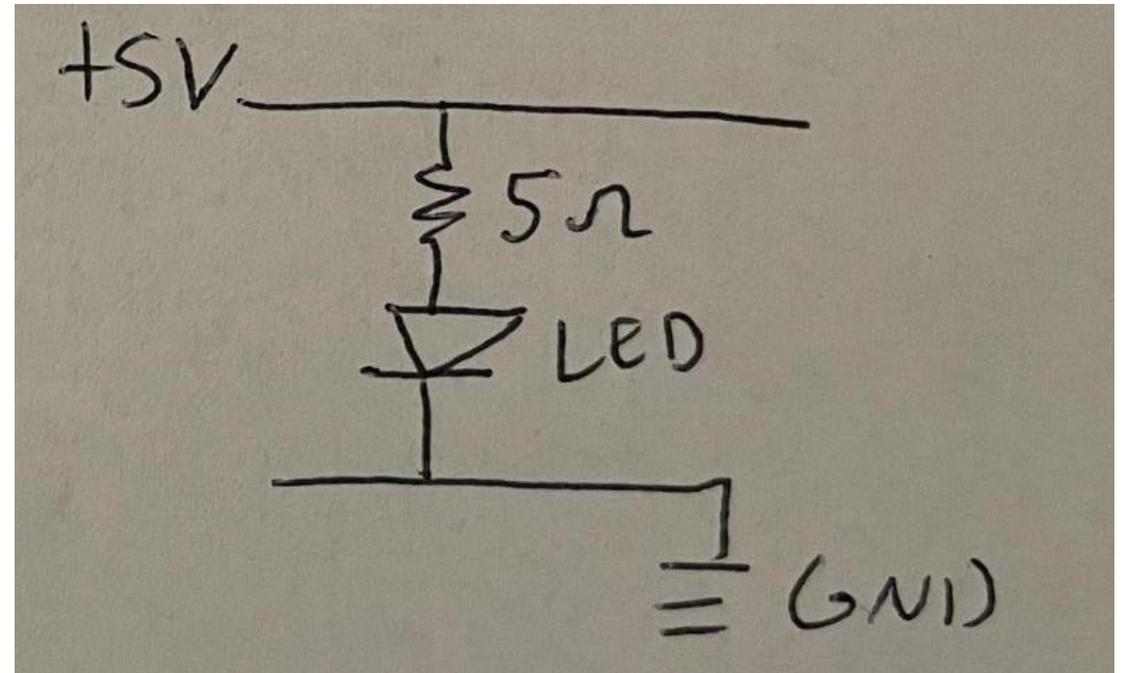


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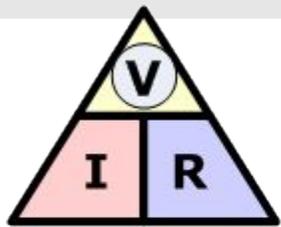
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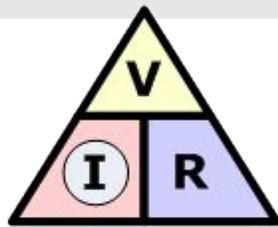
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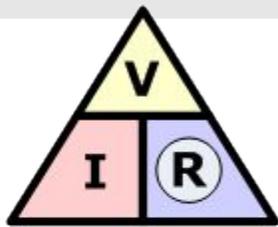
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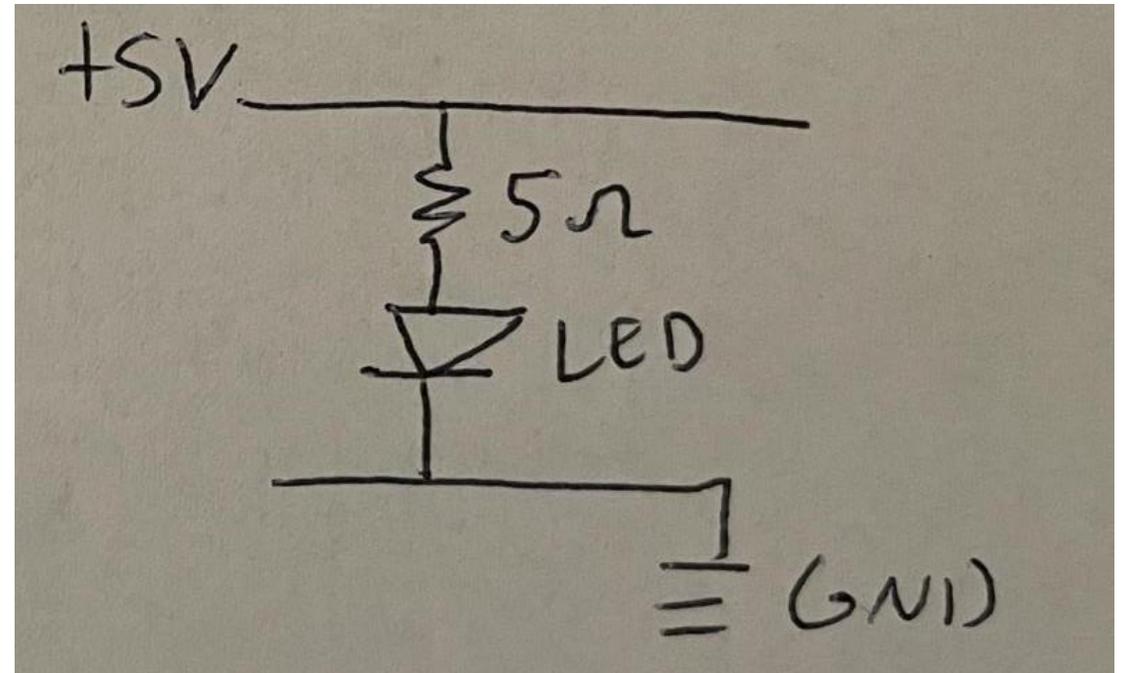


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**In practice, you will probably use in the range of 250-1000Ω resistors**

(I basically always do either 499Ω or 1kΩ since they're always in stock :p)



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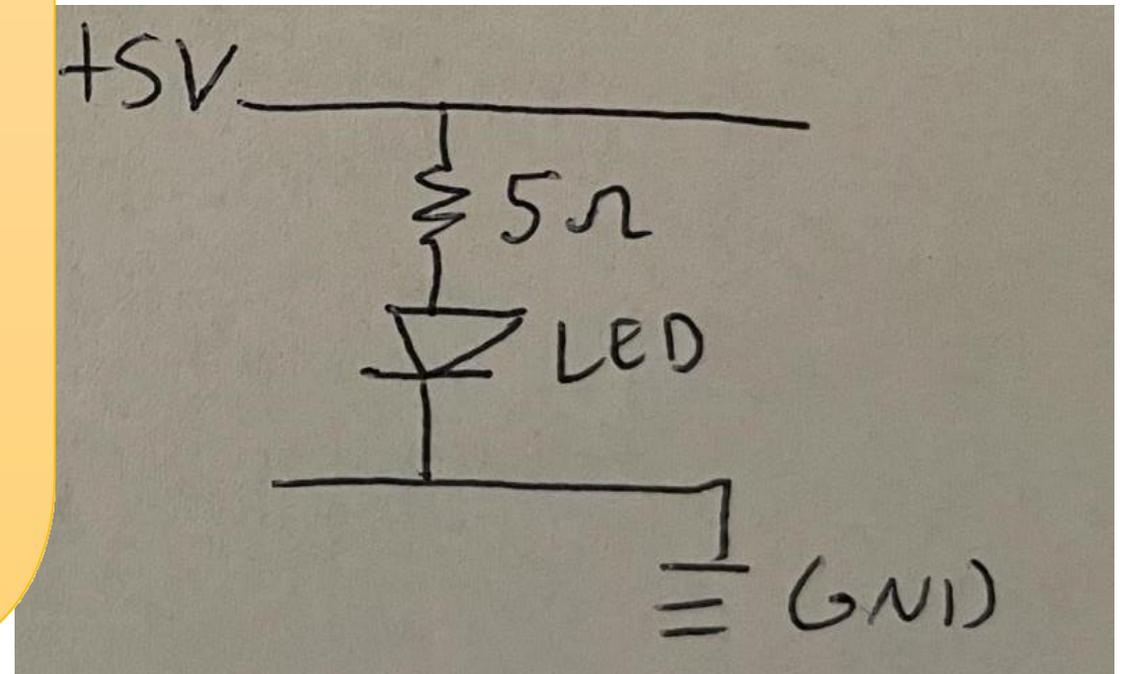


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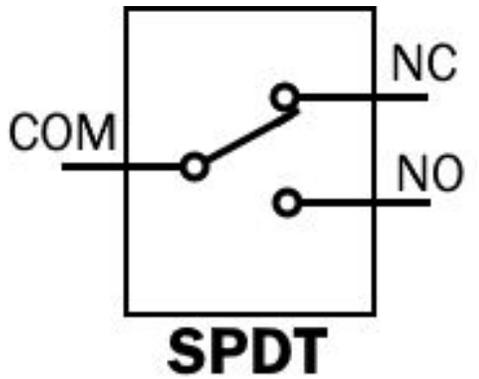
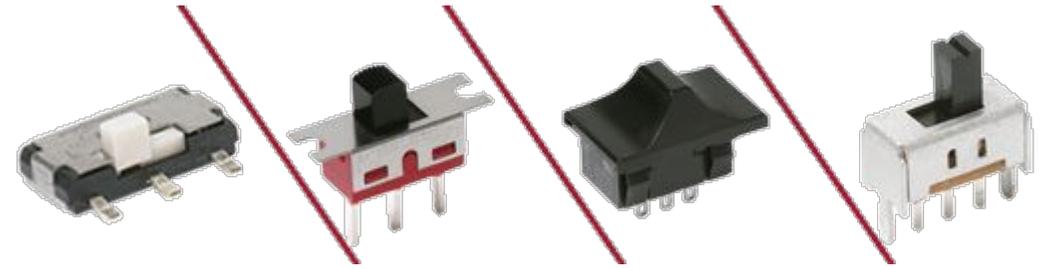
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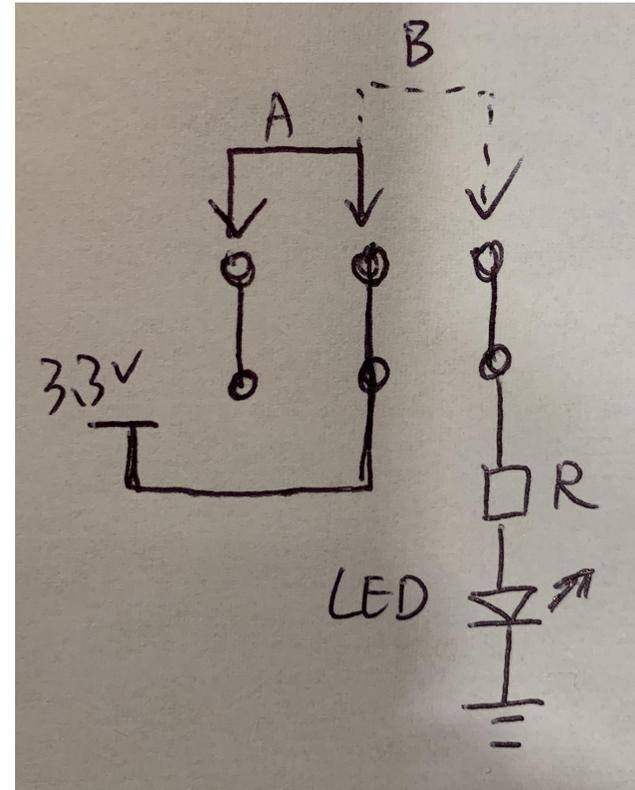
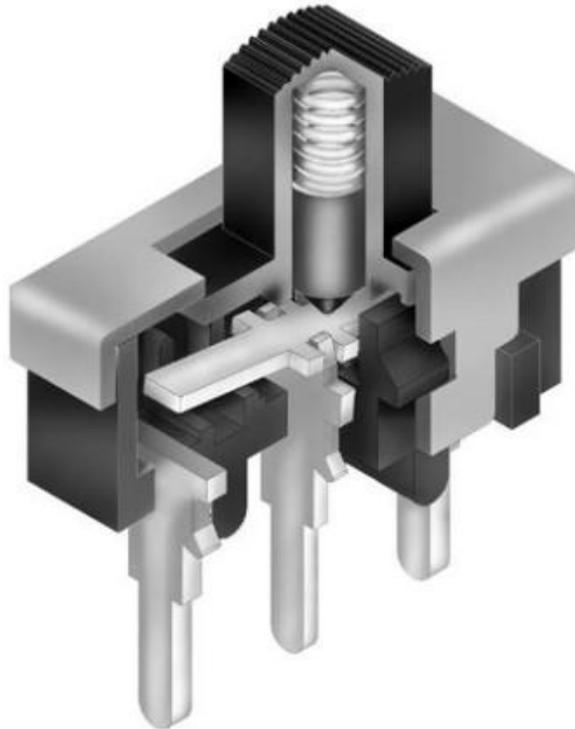


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SPDT: Single Pole, Double Throw



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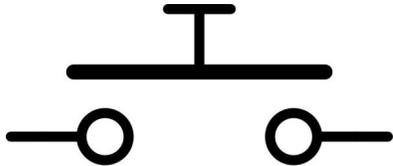
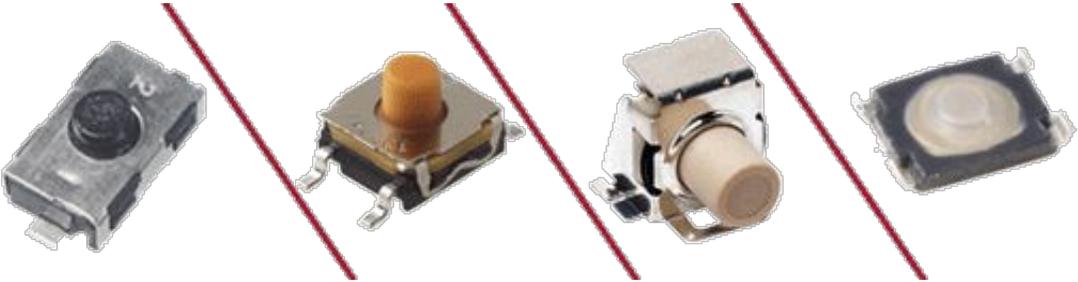


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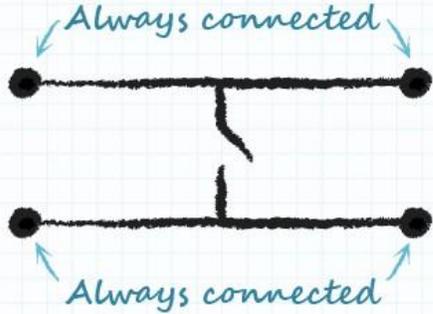
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# Switch- tactile switch



**SW1**



# Our second equation - Capacitance

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**I**: Current (measure in amps)

**dV/dt**: Change in Voltage over time (measure in volts/second)

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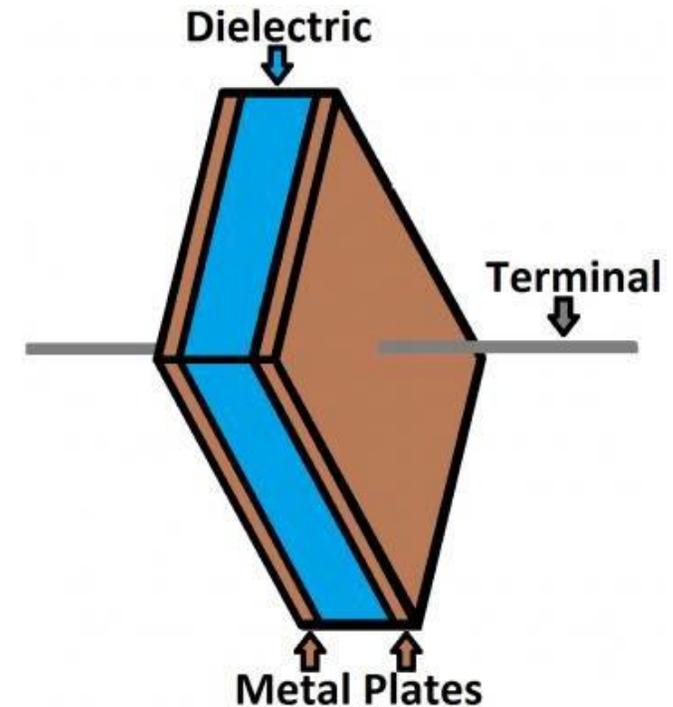
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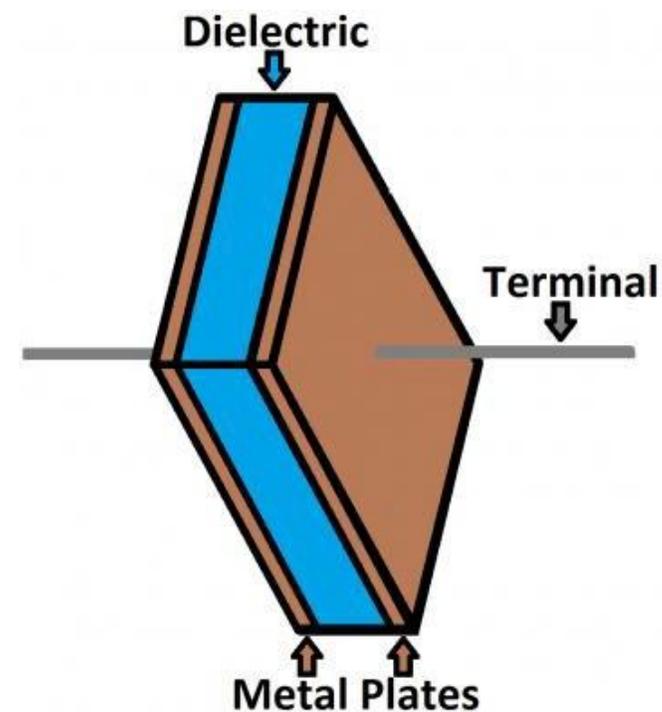
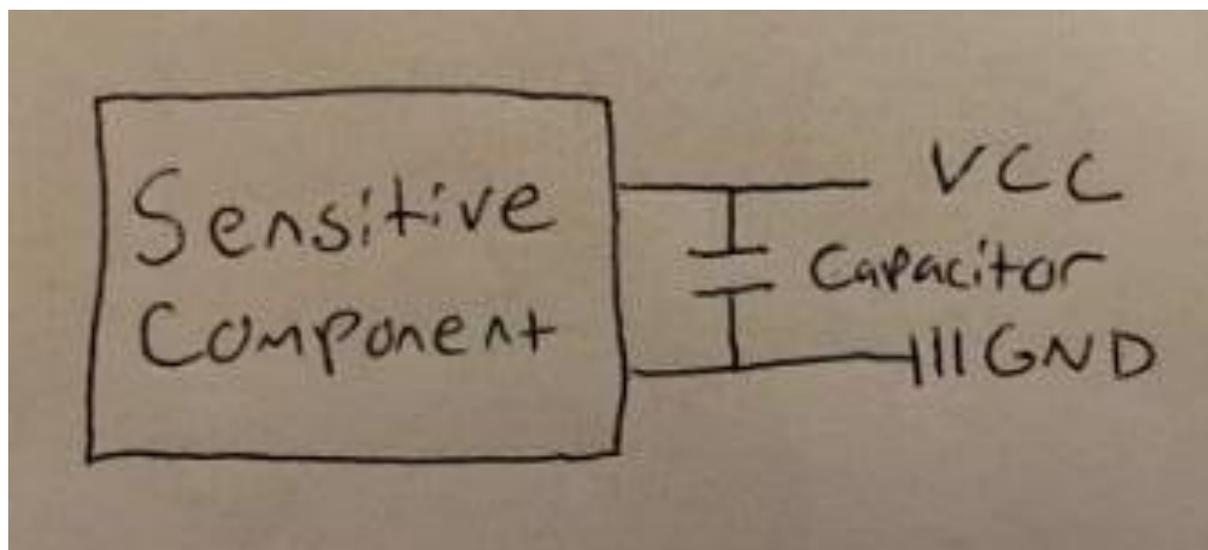
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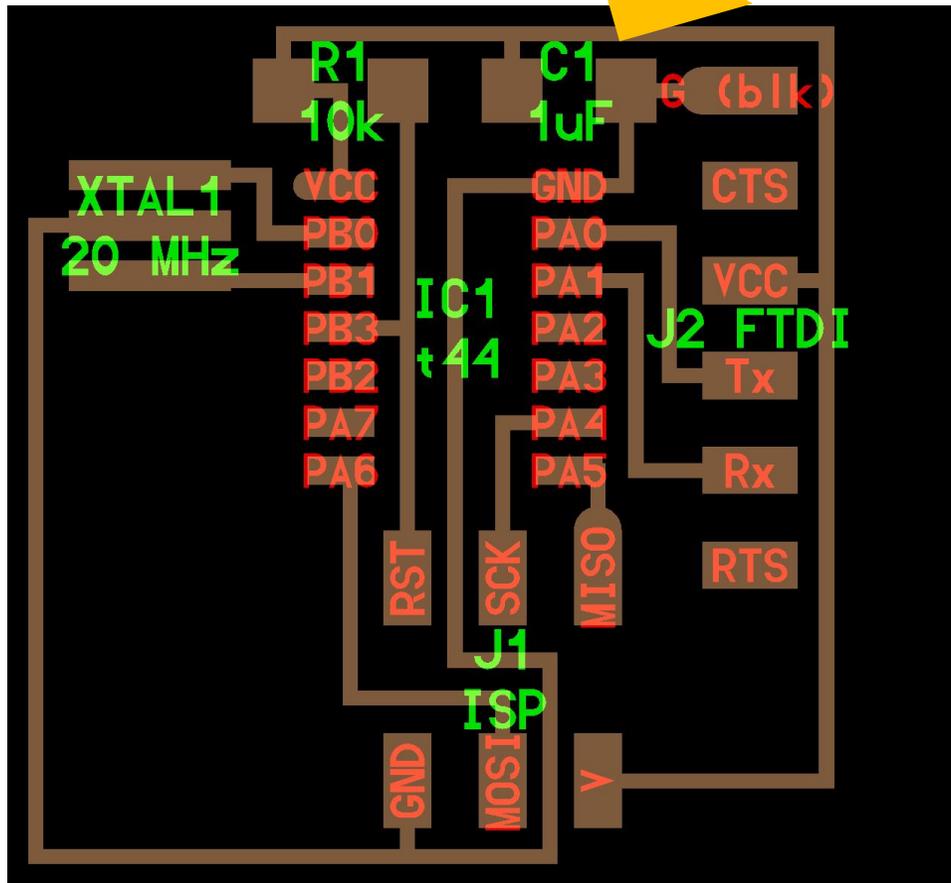


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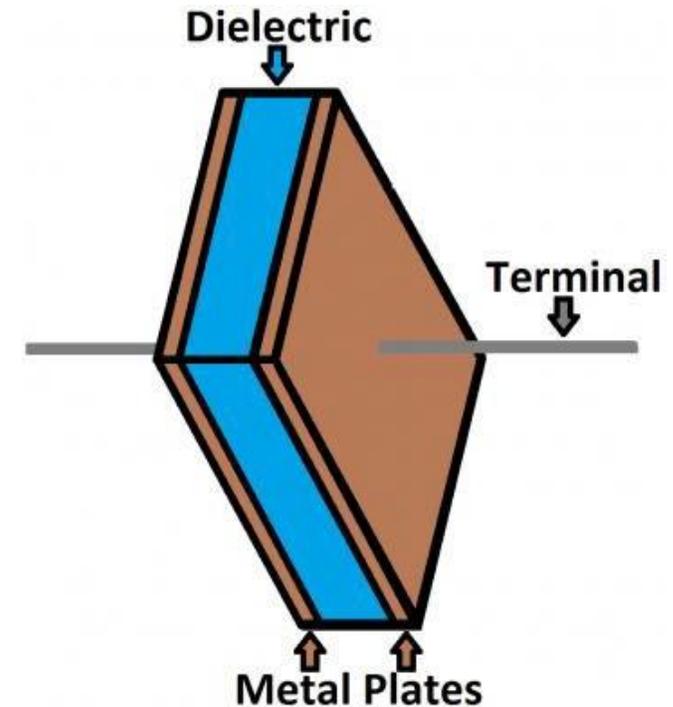
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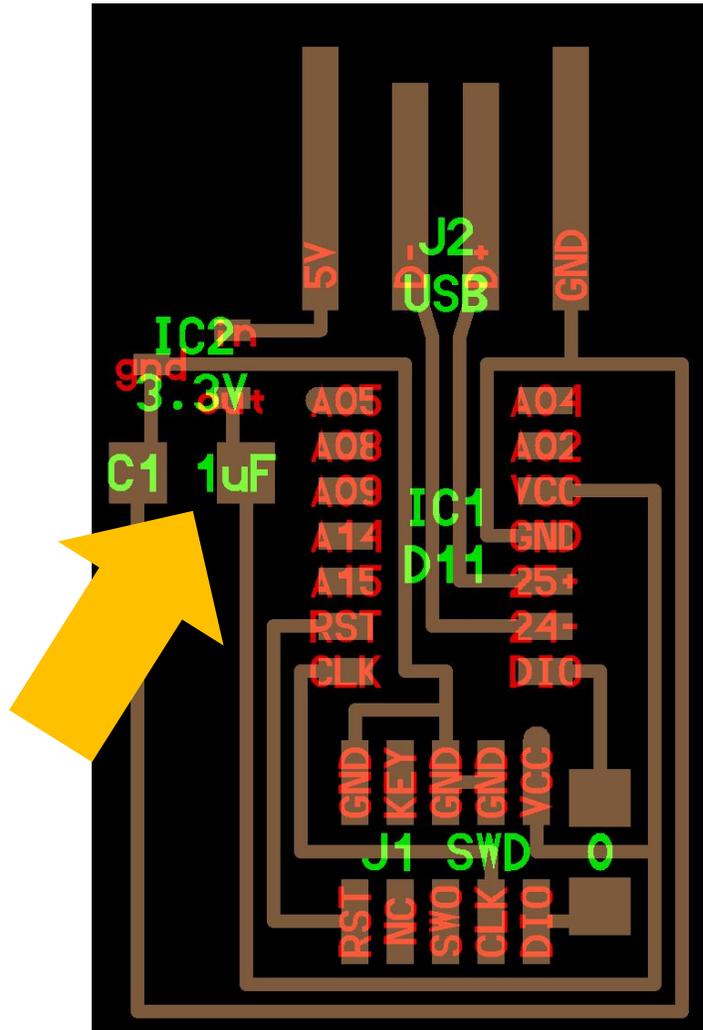
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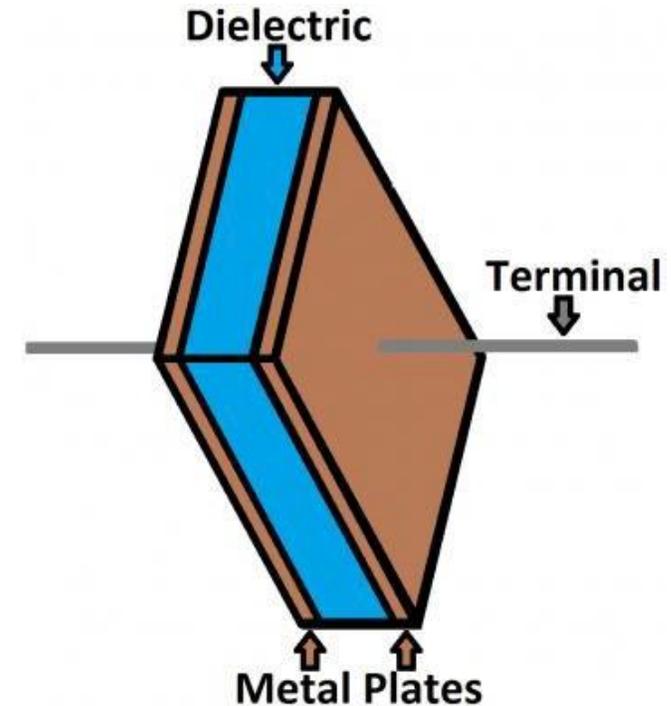
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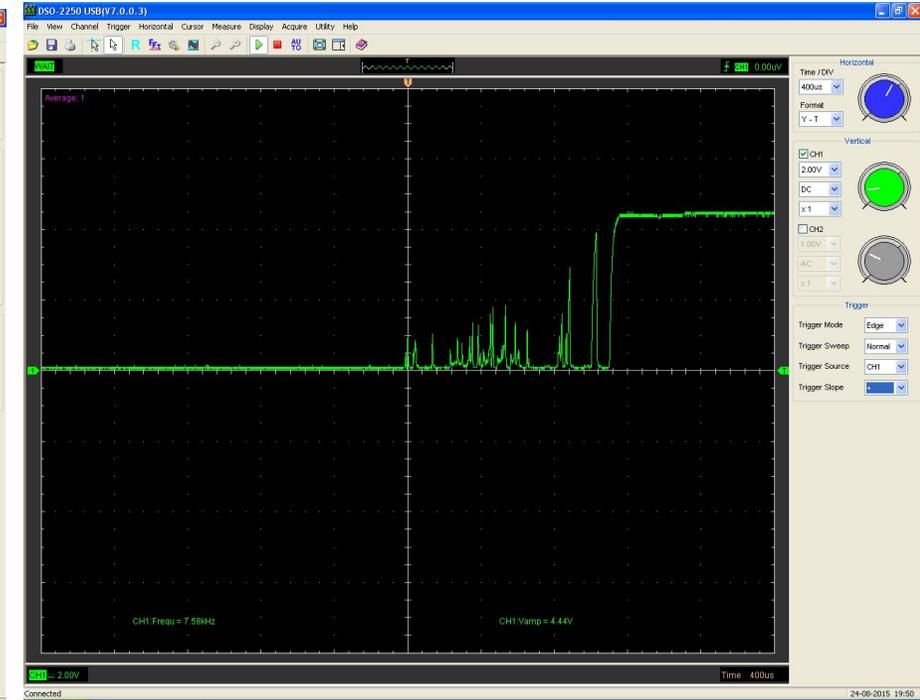
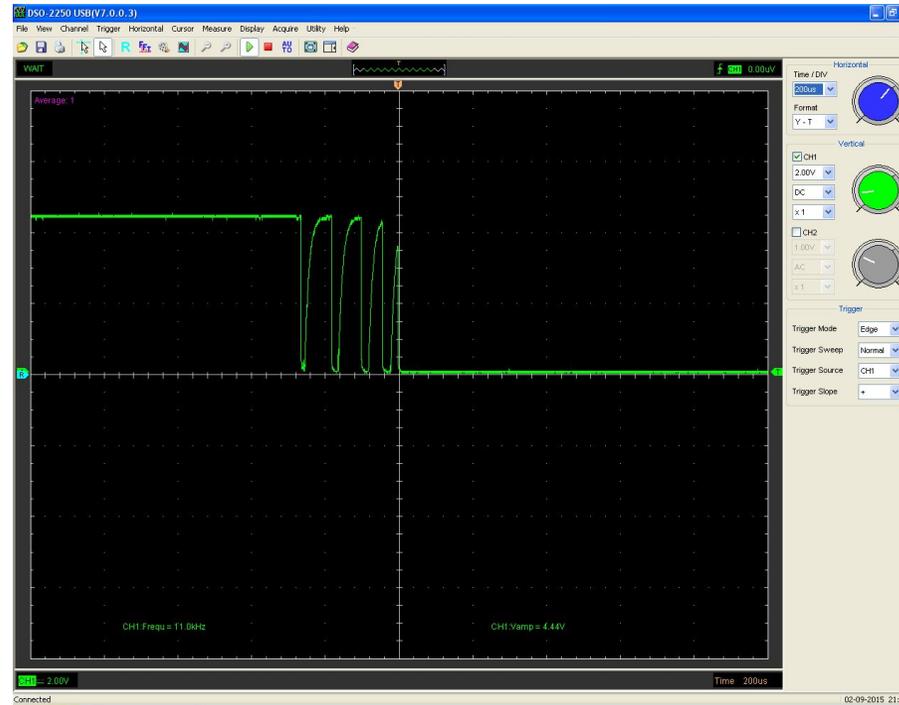
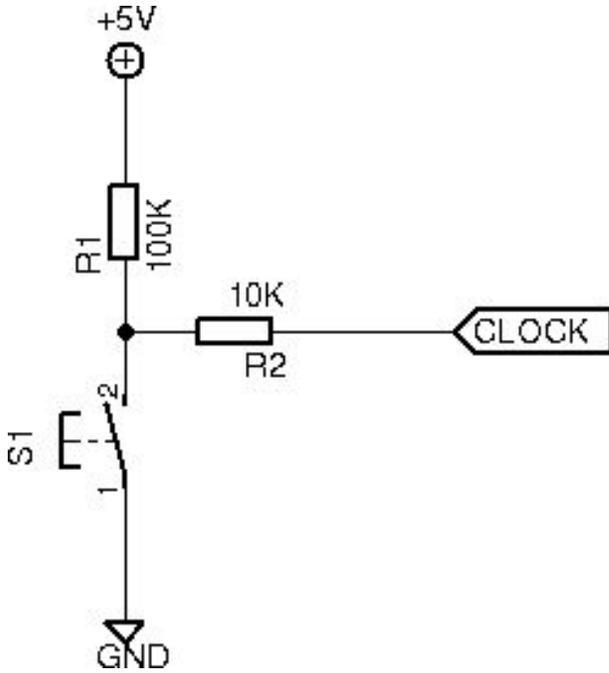
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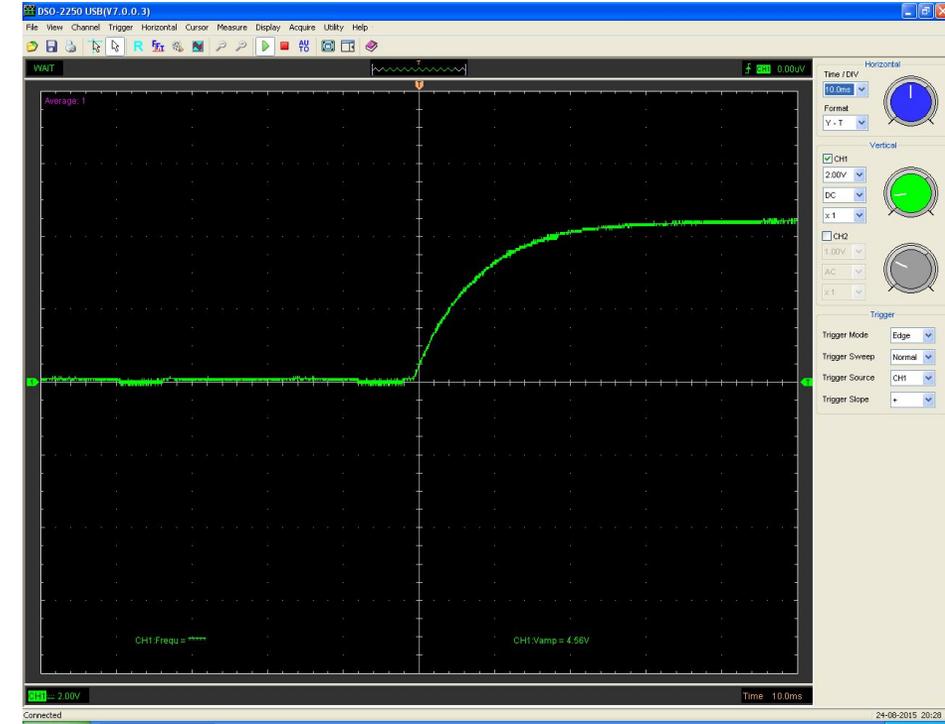
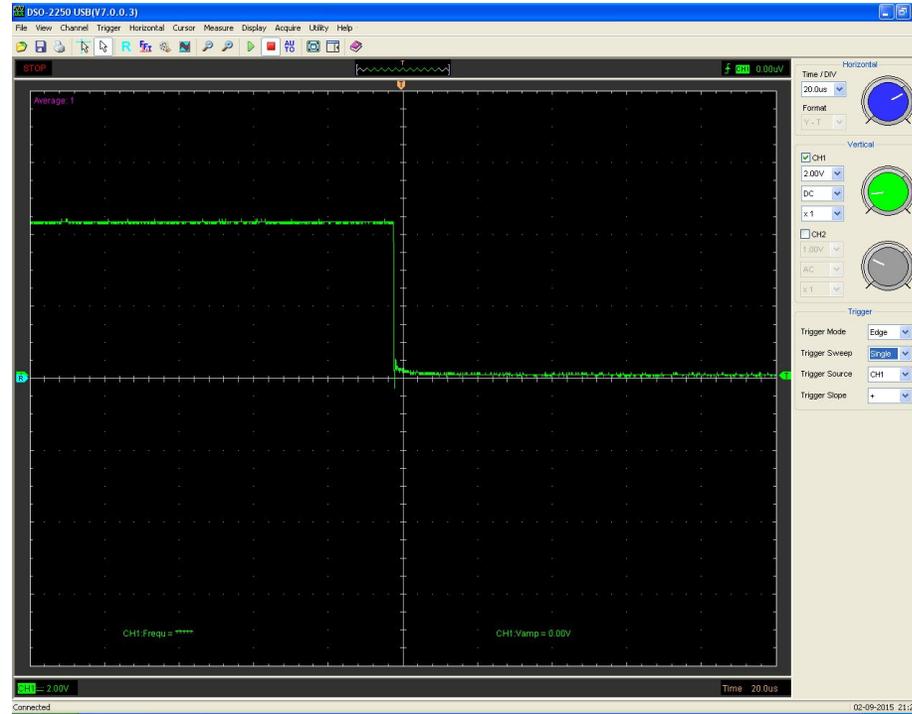
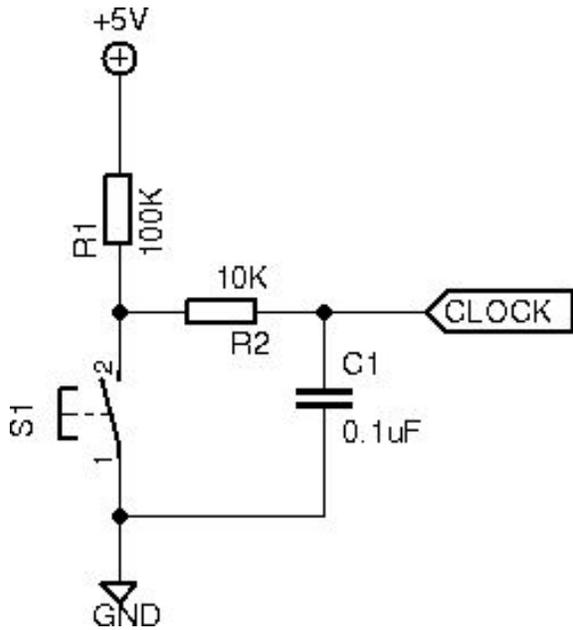


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# Capacitance - switch debouncing



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# Inductance

$$v(t) = L \frac{di}{dt}$$

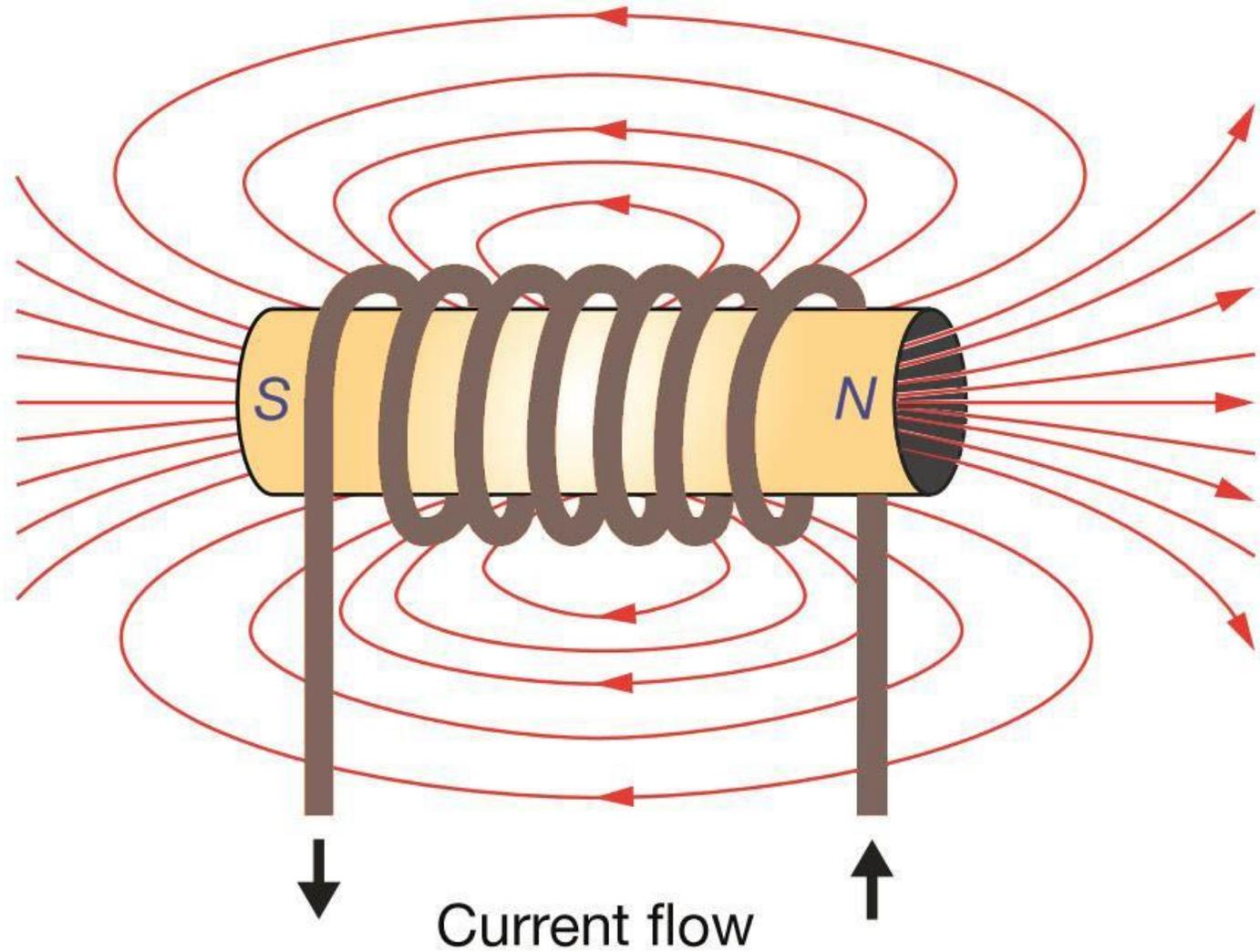
Inductance (measured in “henry”s)

**v(t)**: voltage induced by inductor at this instant

**di/dt**: Change in Current over time (measure in volts/second)

# Inductance

Energy is stored in a magnetic field (!)

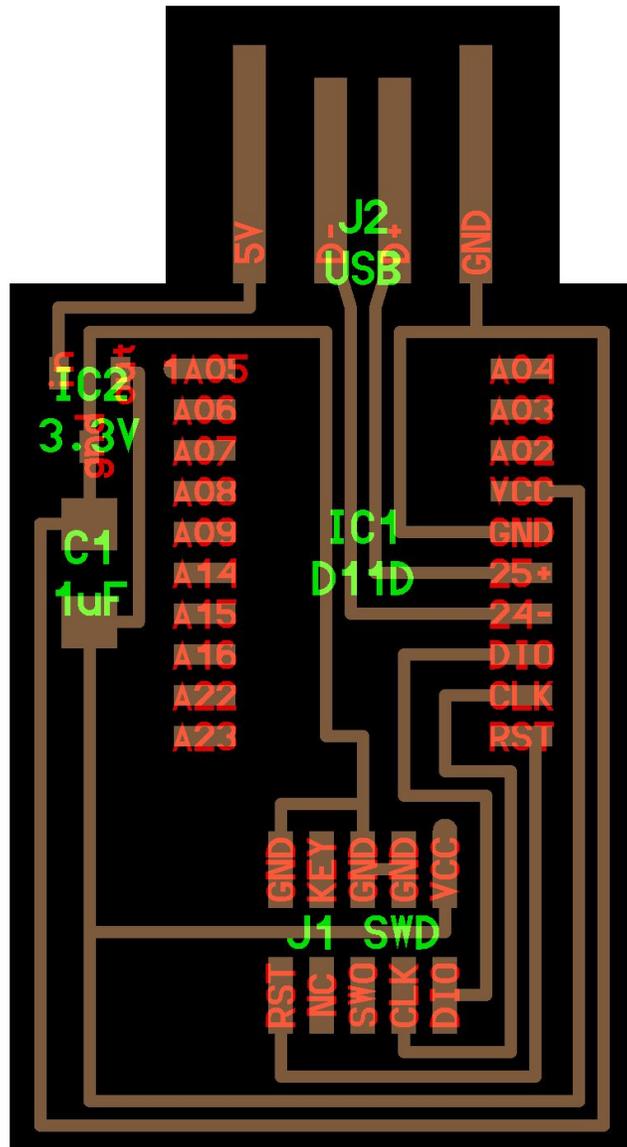


# Triplets

- Resistance / Resistors: resists voltage, “does work”
- Capacitance / Capacitors: resists change in voltage
- Inductance / Inductors: resists change in current

# Triplets

- \*everything\* has \*some\* resistance, inductance, and capacitance; resistors are inductors, capacitors are resistors, inductors are capacitors, etc...
- we can largely ignore this inconvenience until we hit high powers, high frequencies, and high precision



But how will I know if my component needs a capacitor? And how big of a capacitor will I need? (and what are all of those labels?)

Neil's SAMD11 Hello World board:  
[http://academy.cba.mit.edu/classes/embedded\\_programming/D11D/hello.D11D.echo.png](http://academy.cba.mit.edu/classes/embedded_programming/D11D/hello.D11D.echo.png)



## Atmel SAM D11

### SMART ARM-Based Microcontroller

#### DATASHEET SUMMARY

##### Description

The Atmel® | SMART™ SAM D11 is a series of low-power microcontrollers using the 32-bit ARM® Cortex®-M0+ processor, and ranging from 14- to 24-pins with 16KB Flash and 4KB of SRAM. The SAM D11 devices operate at a maximum frequency of 48MHz and reach 2.46 Coremark/MHz. They are designed for simple and intuitive migration with identical peripheral modules, hex compatible code, identical linear address map and pin compatible migration paths between all devices in the product series. All devices include intelligent and flexible peripherals, Atmel Event System for inter-peripheral signaling, and support for capacitive touch button, slider and wheel user interfaces. The SAM D11 series is compatible to the other product series in the SAM D family, enabling easy migration to larger device with added features.

The Atmel SAM D11 devices provide the following features: In-system programmable Flash, six-channel direct memory access (DMA) controller, 6 channel Event System, programmable interrupt controller, up to 22 programmable I/O pins, 32-bit real-time clock and calendar, two 16-bit Timer/Counters (TC) and one 24-bit Timer/Counter for Control (TCC), where each TC can be configured to perform frequency and waveform generation, accurate program execution timing or input capture with time and frequency measurement of digital signals. The TCs can operate in 8- or 16-bit mode, selected TCs can be cascaded to form a 32-bit TC, and one timer/counter has extended functions optimized for motor, lighting and other control applications. The series provide one full-speed crystal-less USB 2.0 device interface; up to three Serial Communication Modules (SERCOM) that each can be configured to act as an USART, UART, SPI, I<sup>2</sup>C up to 3.4MHz, SMBus, PMBus and LIN slave; up to 10-channel 350kps 12-bit ADC with programmable gain and optional oversampling and decimation supporting up to 16-bit resolution, one 10-bit 350kps DAC, two analog comparators with window mode, Peripheral Touch Controller supporting up to 72 buttons, sliders, wheels and proximity sensing; programmable Watchdog Timer, brown-out detector and power-on reset and two-pin Serial Wire Debug (SWD) program and debug interface.

All devices have accurate and low-power external and internal oscillators. All oscillators can be used as a source for the system clock. Different clock domains can be independently configured to run at different frequencies, enabling power saving by running each peripheral at its optimal clock frequency, and thus maintaining a high CPU frequency while reducing power consumption.

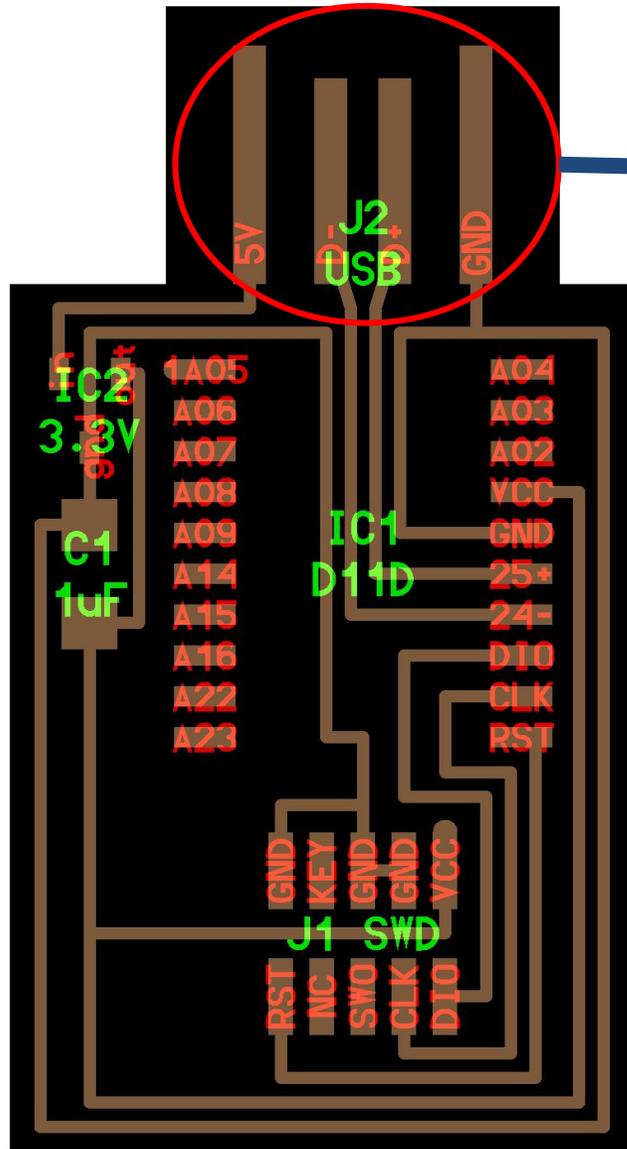
The SAM D11 devices have two software-selectable sleep modes, idle and standby. In idle mode the CPU is stopped while all other functions can be kept running. In standby all clocks and functions are stopped except those selected to continue running. The device supports SleepWalking. This feature allows the peripheral to wake up from sleep based on predefined conditions, and thus allows the CPU to wake up only when needed, e.g. when a threshold is crossed or a result is ready. The Event System supports synchronous and asynchronous events, allowing peripherals to receive, react to and send events even in standby mode.

The Flash program memory can be reprogrammed in-system through the SWD interface. The same interface can be used for non-intrusive on-chip debug and trace of application code. A boot loader running in the device can use any communication interface to download and upgrade the application program in the Flash memory.

The Atmel SAM D11 devices are supported with a full suite of program and system development tools, including C compilers, macro assemblers, program debugger/simulators, programmers and evaluation kits.

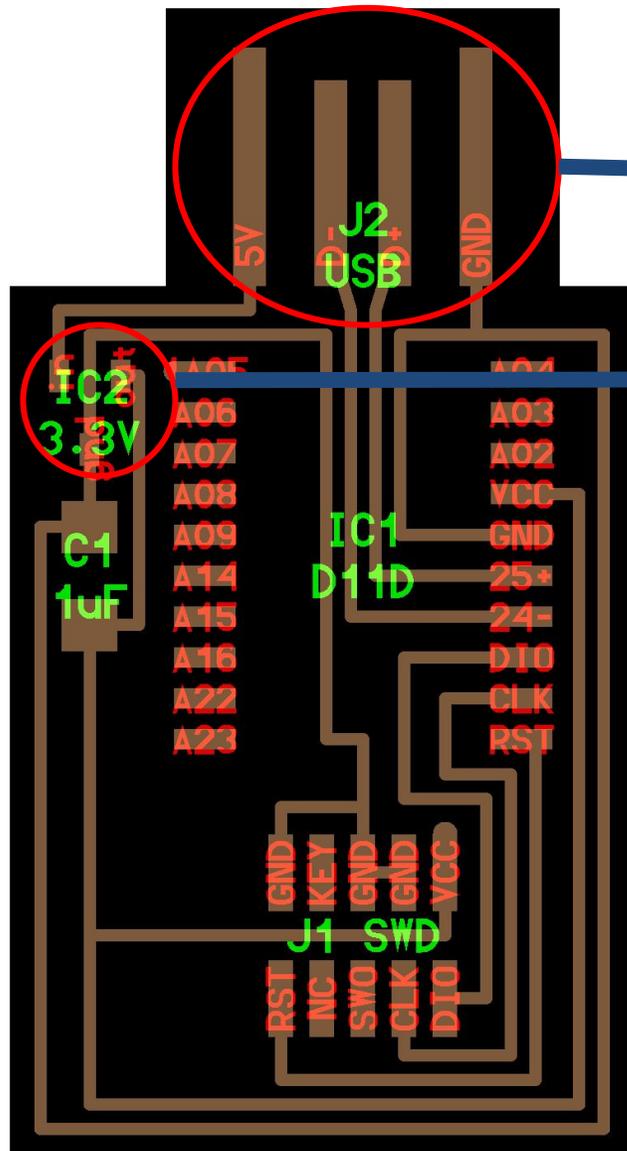
Sometimes:  
read the  
datasheet

Often: follow  
design  
patterns



USB HEADER

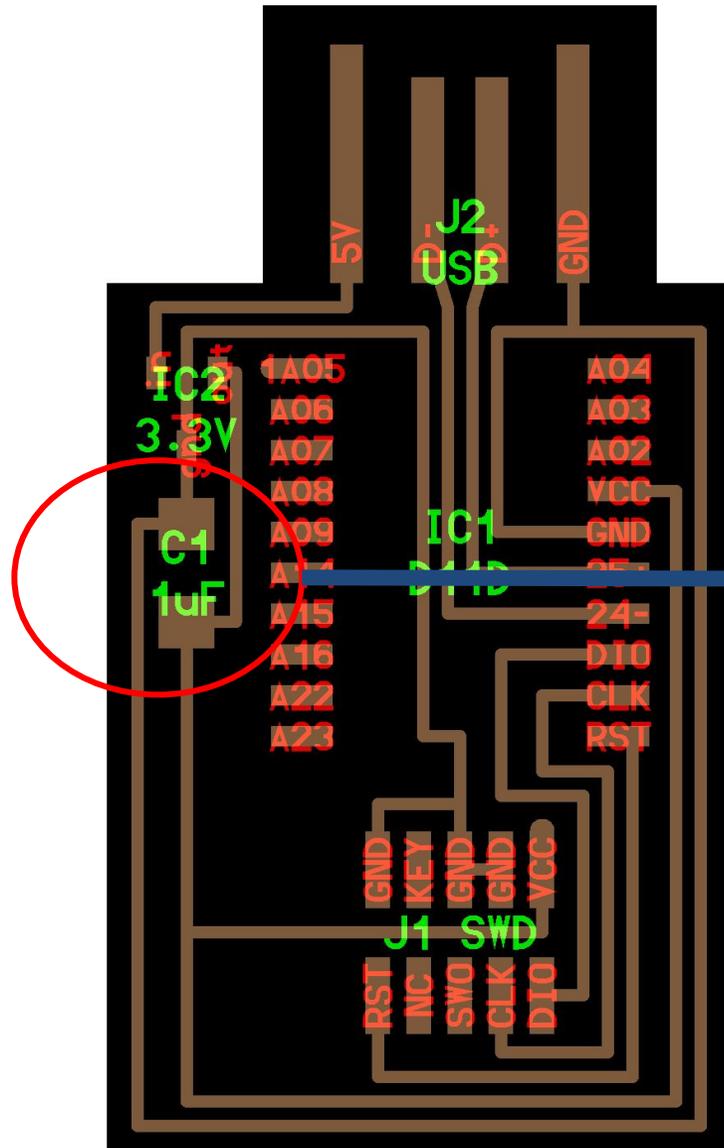
(prefix **J** in Neil's boards often mean some type of connector)



This gets 5V

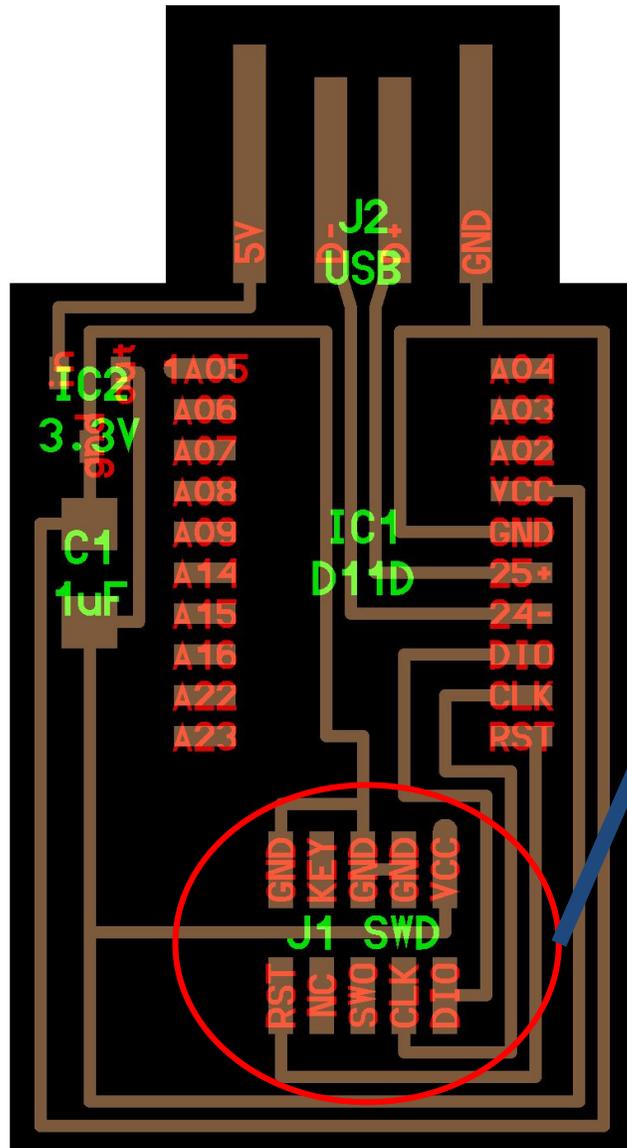
So this (voltage regulator)  
Drops it to 3.3V for this  
microcontroller

Most of the microcontrollers you  
will encounter in this class will  
run at either 3.3V or 5V – Be  
careful about not cooking a 3.3V  
micro with 5V!



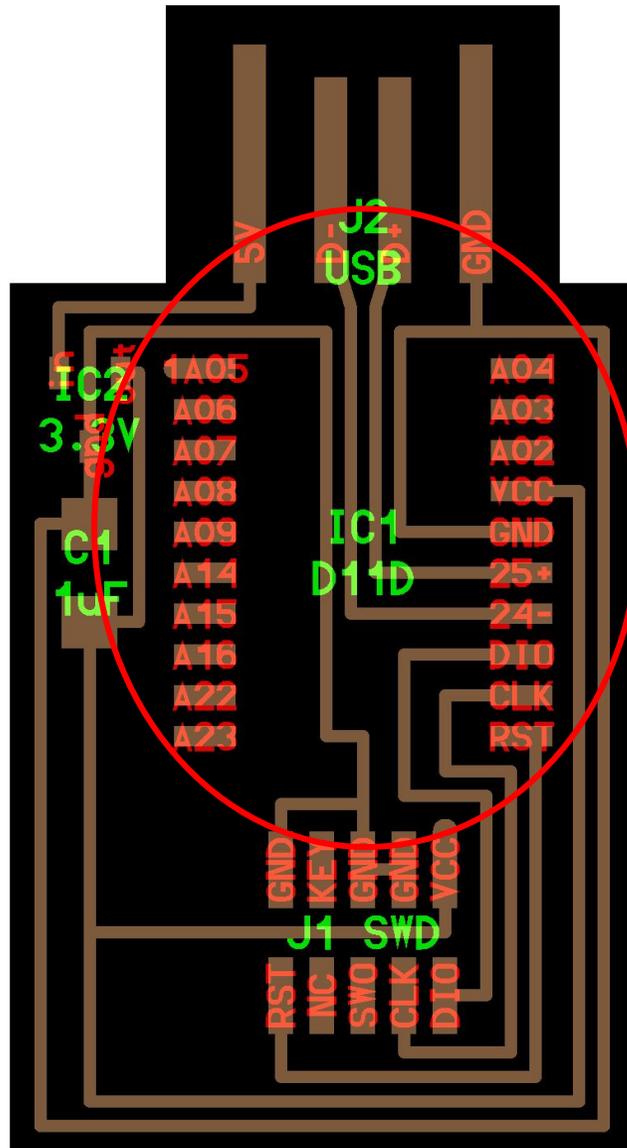
Bypass capacitor as we discussed!

Value: 1uF



Programming header—  
how you (initially) load  
code onto this  
microcontroller!

We see the J prefix again—  
this is a header — and  
SWD denotes the interface



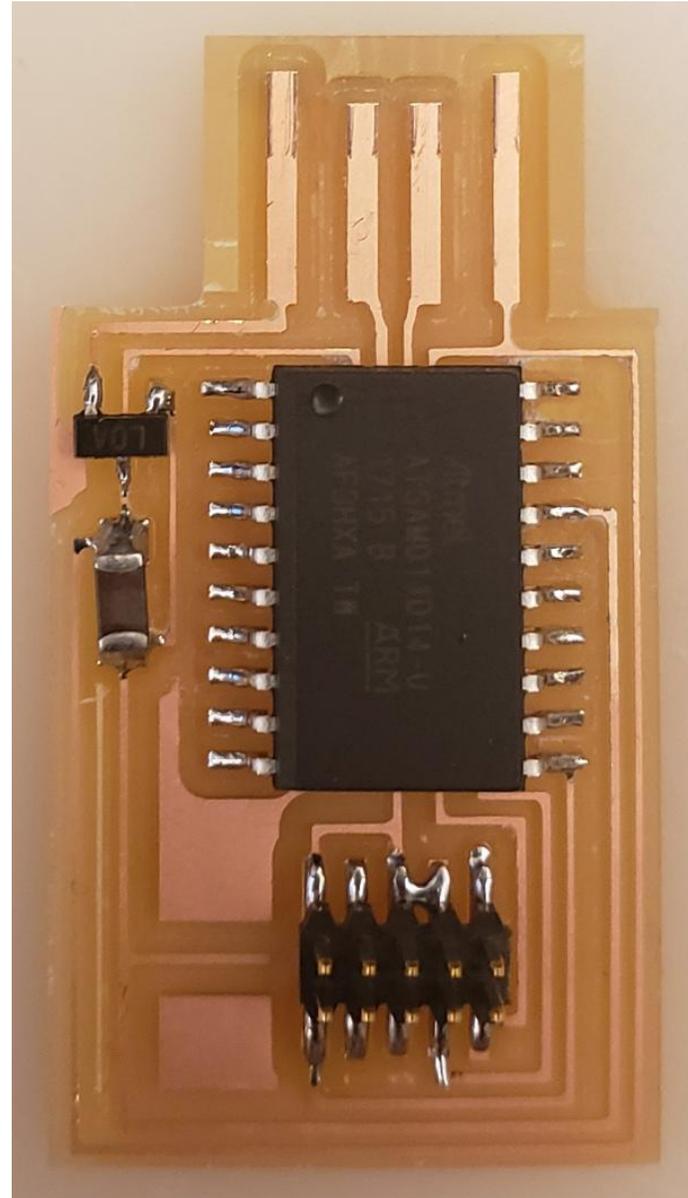
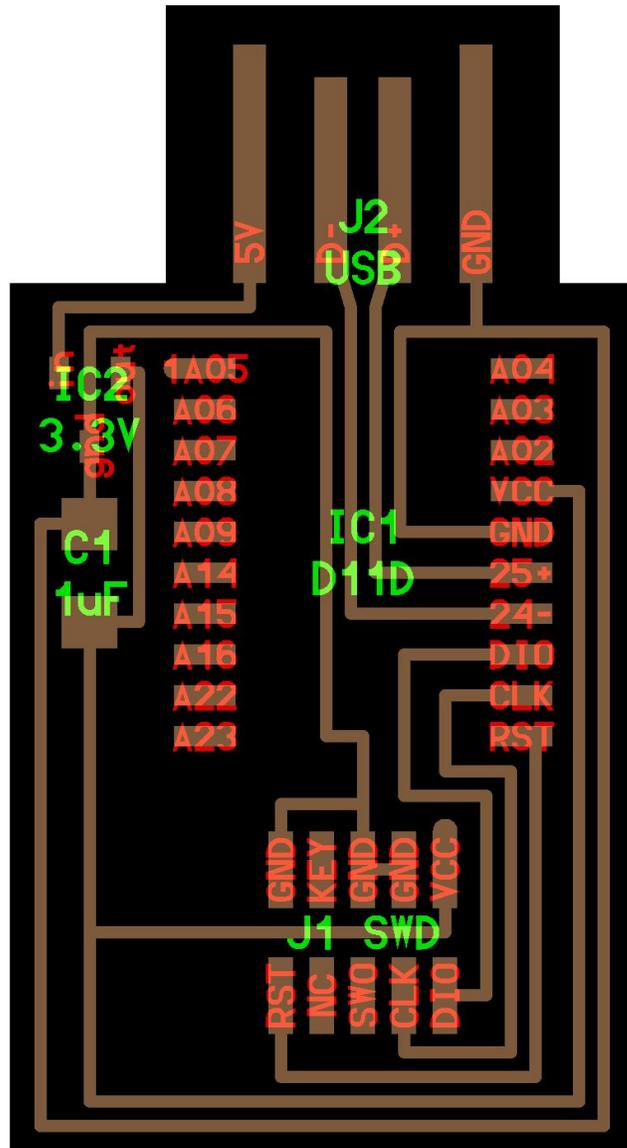
Microcontroller

SAMD11D

This is a SAMD11 in the D package

We also stock SAMD11C, which has less pins but the same package.

Neil uploads photos of these boards to the components link— check this if you're not sure what you're looking for.

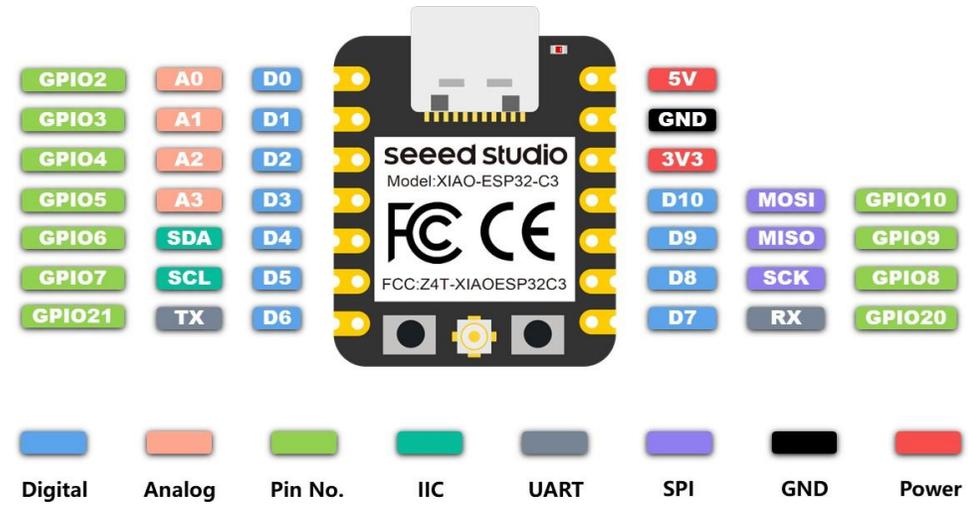
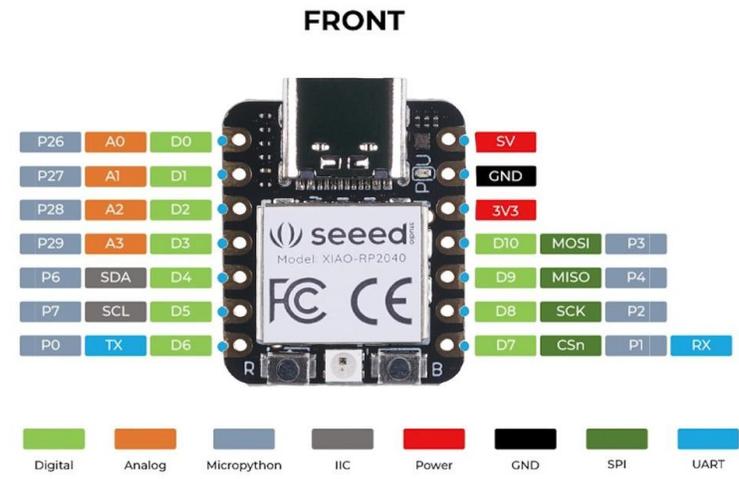


# Seeed XIAO ("小": means "small")

RP2040



ESP32C3



# Seeed XIAO ("小": means "small)

