

# Electronic Components

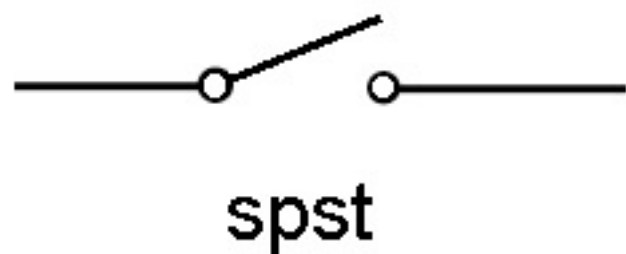
# Conductors

- » A low resistance path for current to flow
- » Insulated by plastic
- » Diameter expressed by a “gauge”  
Larger gauge = smaller wire
- » Solid or Stranded

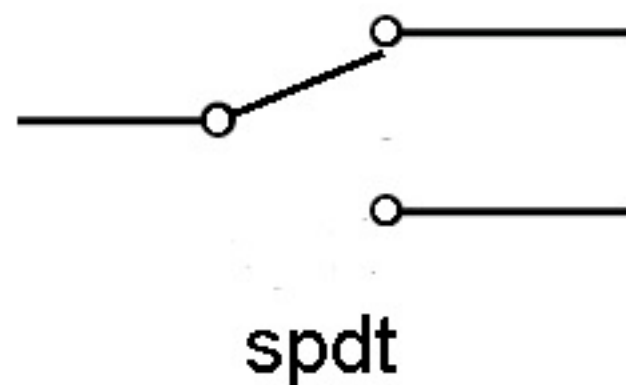


# Switches

- » Interrupt the flow of current, mechanically
- » Characterized by the number of “poles” and “throws”



Single Pole - Single Throw



Single Pole - Double Throw

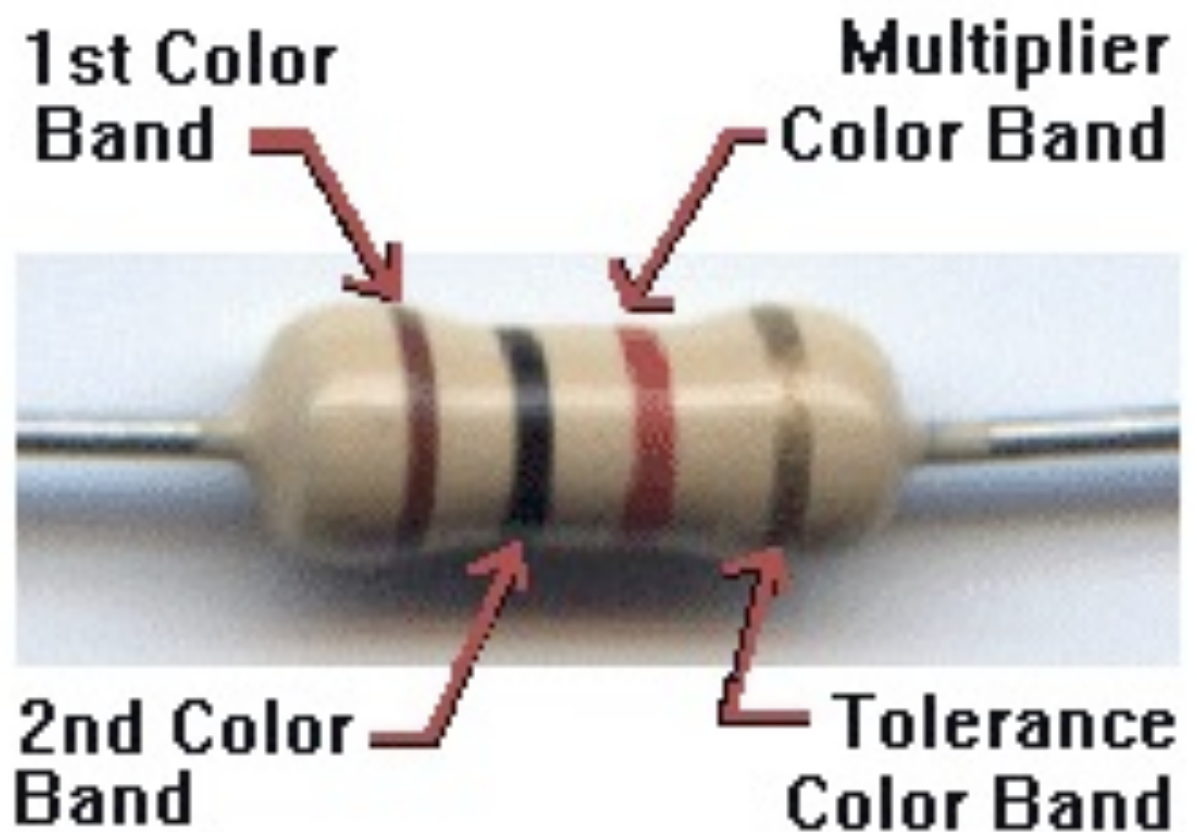
- » “momentary” vs. “toggle”

# Resisters

- » Conductive material that impedes current flow.
- » Converts electrical energy into heat energy
- » Typical Power rating: 1/4 to 2 Watts
- » Color Bands on the resister tell you the value



Resister Symbol



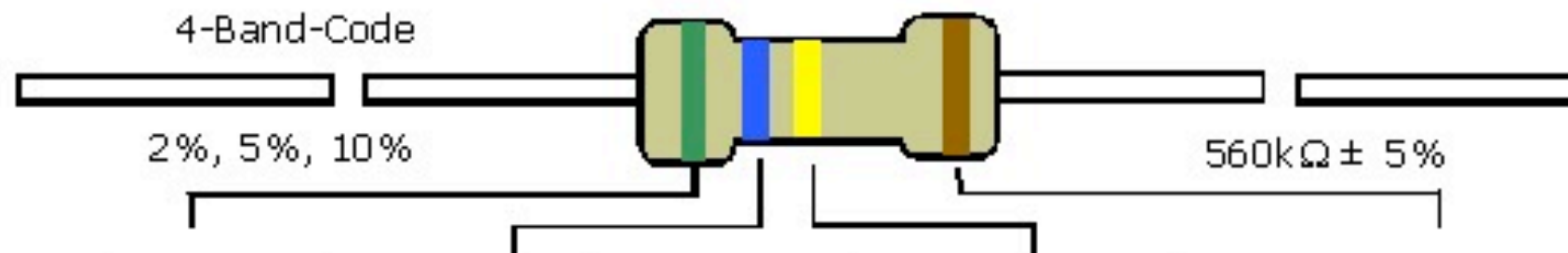
1st Color Band

Multiplier Color Band

2nd Color Band

Tolerance Color Band

# Resister Color Bands

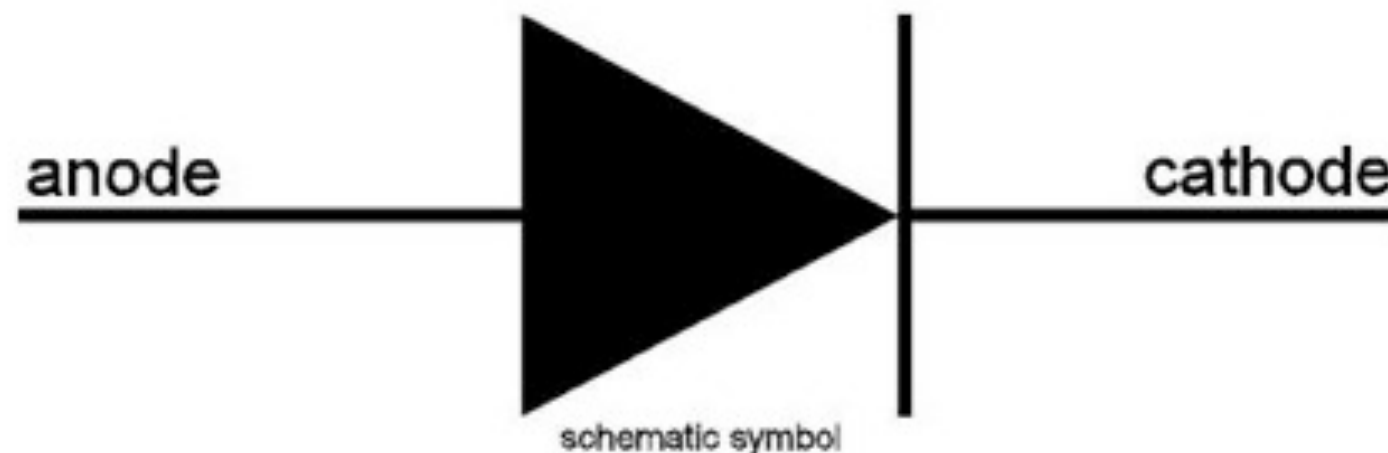
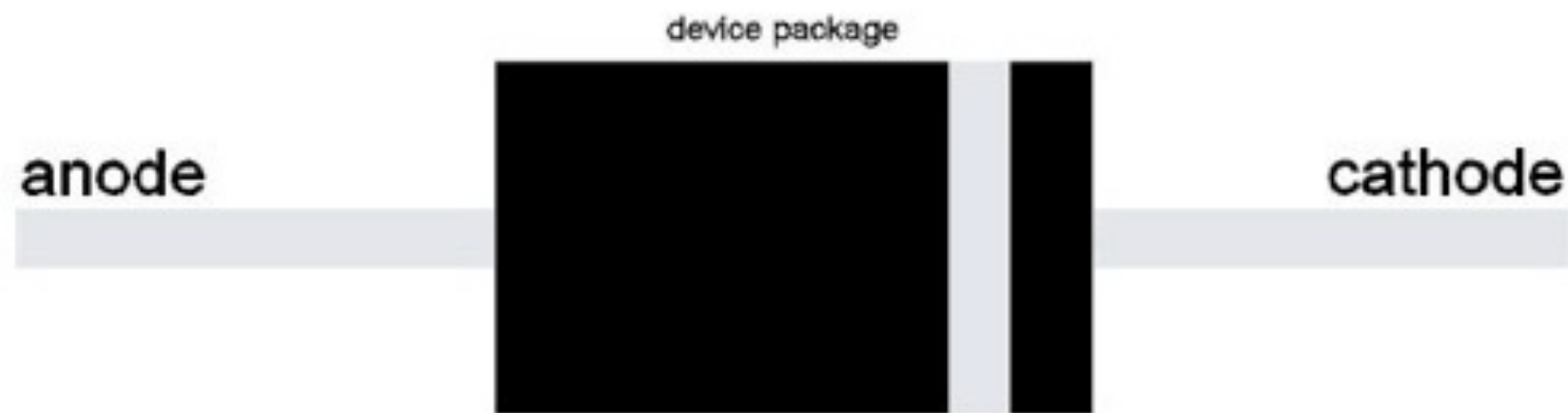


COLOR	1st BAND	2nd BAND	3rd BAND	MULTIPLIER	TOLERANCE
Black	0	0	0	$1\Omega$	
Brown	1	1	1	$10\Omega$	$\pm 1\%$ (F)
Red	2	2	2	$100\Omega$	$\pm 2\%$ (G)
Orange	3	3	3	$1\text{K}\Omega$	
Yellow	4	4	4	$10\text{K}\Omega$	
Green	5	5	5	$100\text{K}\Omega$	$\pm 0.5\%$ (D)
Blue	6	6	6	$1\text{M}\Omega$	$\pm 0.25\%$ (C)
Violet	7	7	7	$10\text{M}\Omega$	$\pm 0.10\%$ (B)
Grey	8	8	8		$\pm 0.05\%$
White	9	9	9		
Gold				0.1	$\pm 5\%$ (J)
Silver				0.01	$\pm 10\%$ (K)



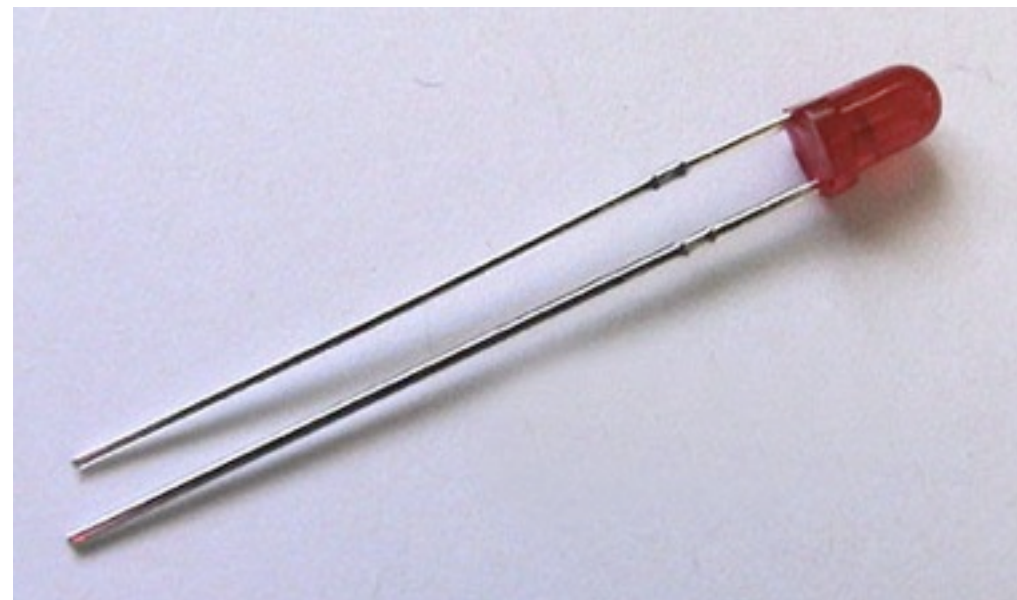
# Diodes

- » Allows current to flow in only one direction (from anode to cathode only)
- » Cathode usually marked by a band



# LED

- » “Light Emitting Diode”
- » Converts electrical energy into light
- » Directional (anode and cathode)  
Remember: “short things are closer to the ground”
- » Requires a nominal 0.6V to work (barely).  
Prefers 1.6–2V for optimal awesomeness.



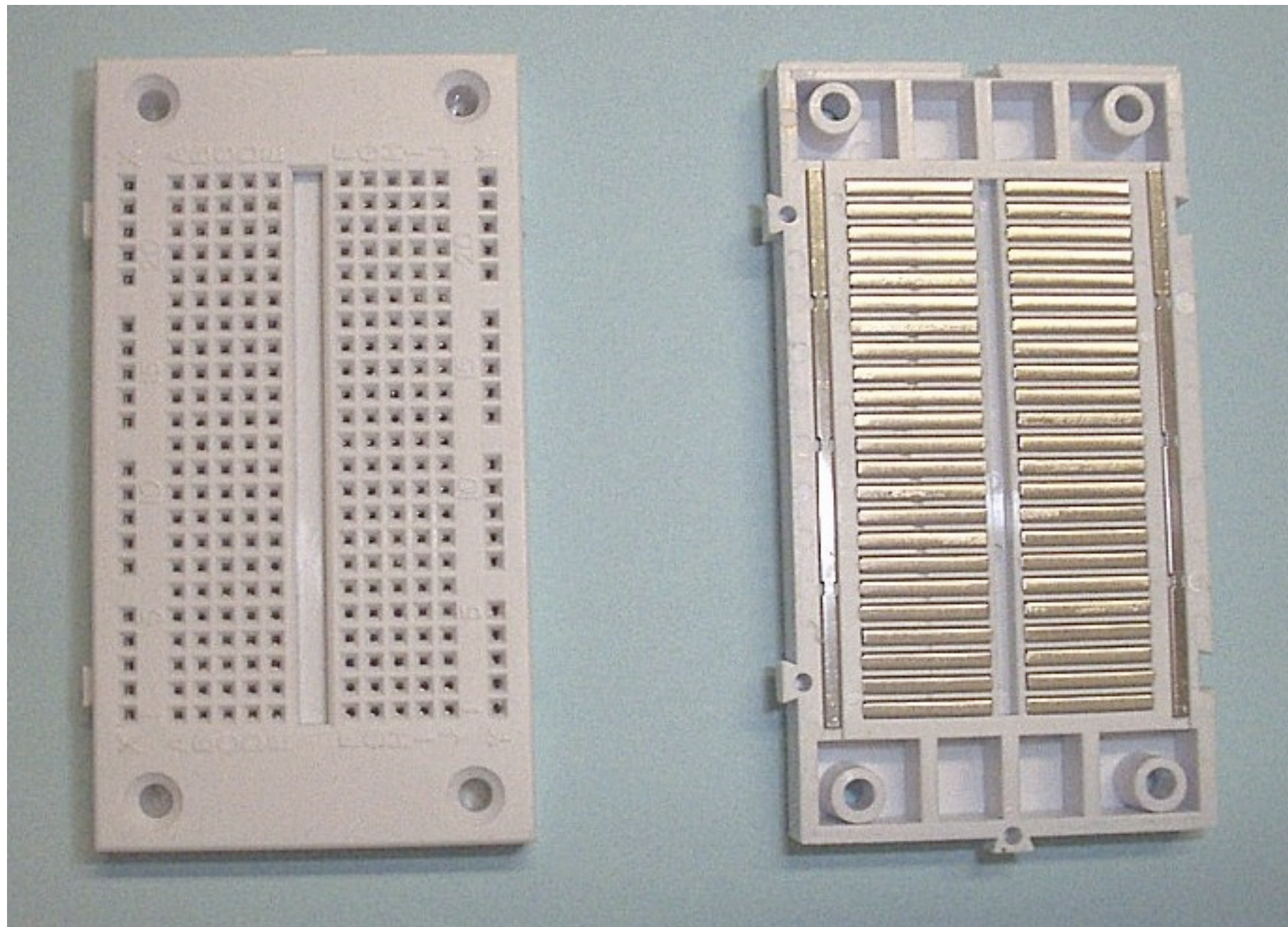
# Usefulness of LEDs

- Power Indicator
- Fun Displays
- Trouble-shooting / Pin status



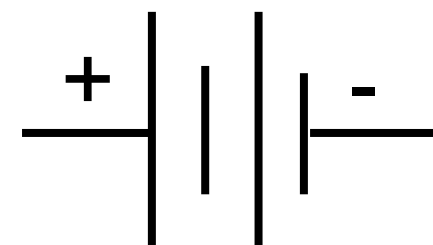
# Connecting Components to make a Circuit

» We'll use a **BREADBOARD**

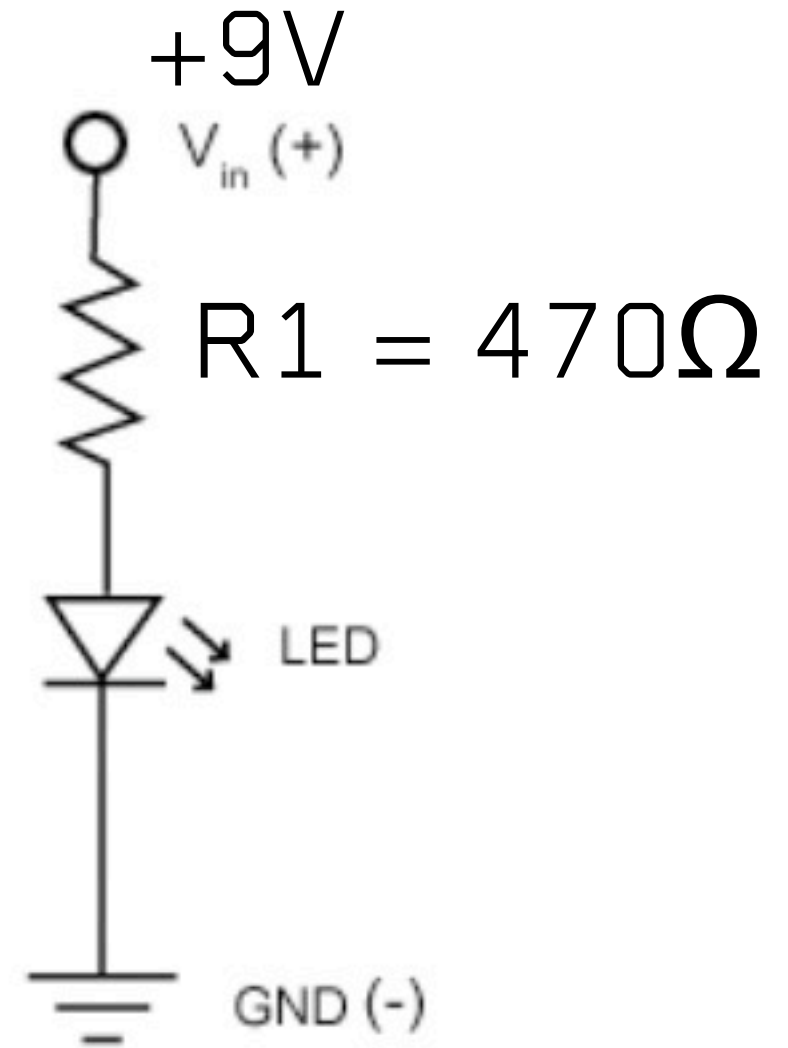
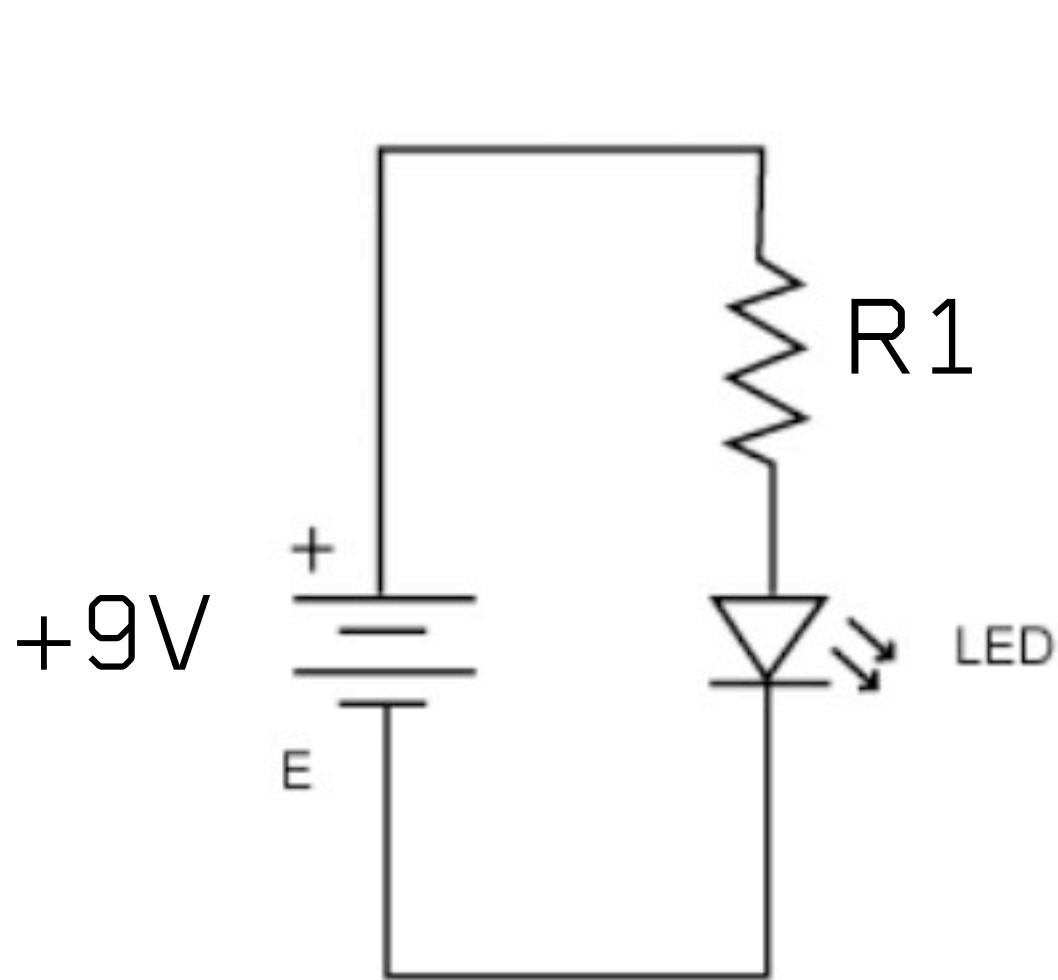


# Power Supplies

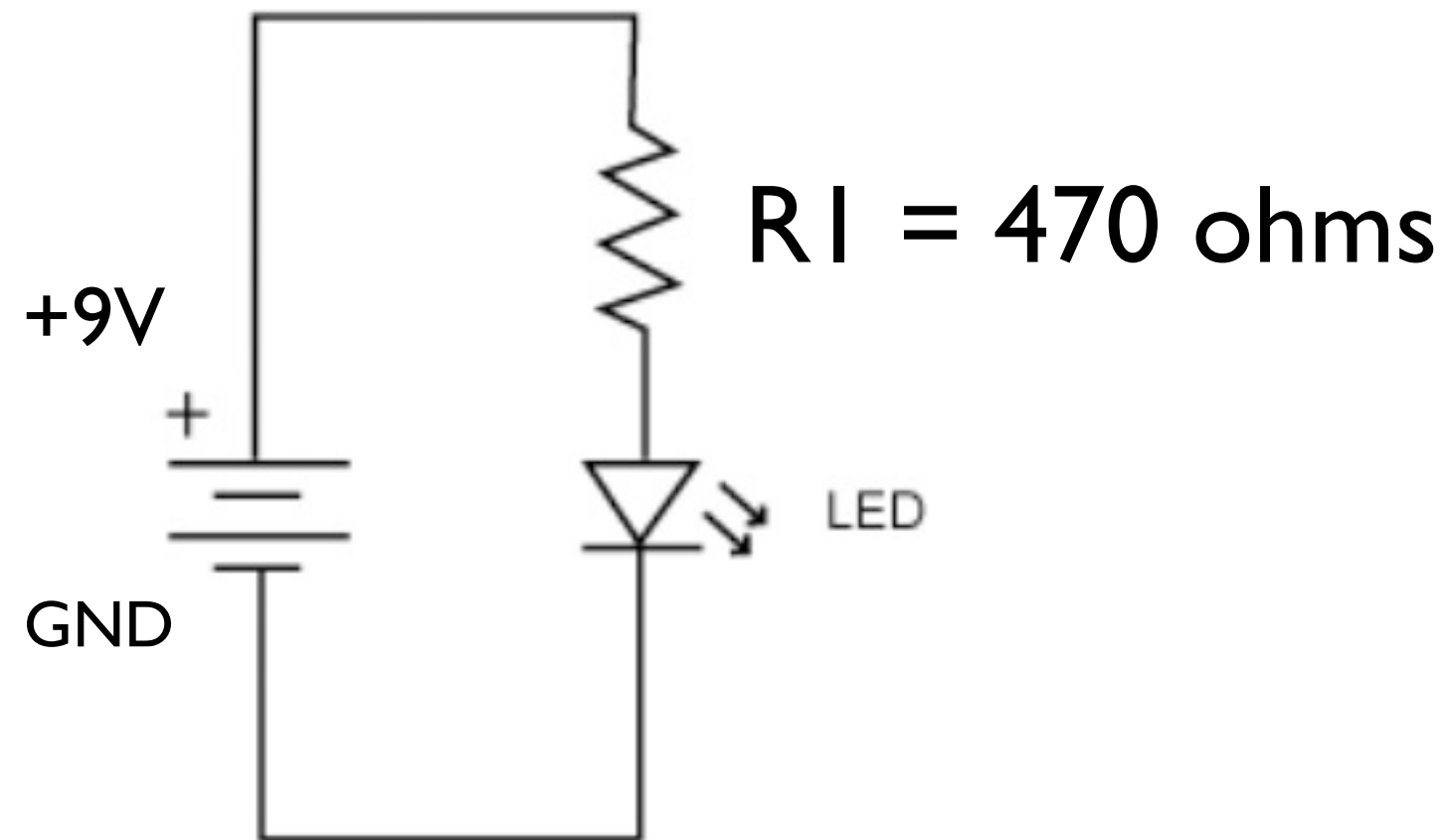
- Converts AC to DC
- Check V and I ratings
- Up to 1A is good,  
but 300-500mA is  
usually sufficient



These are identical

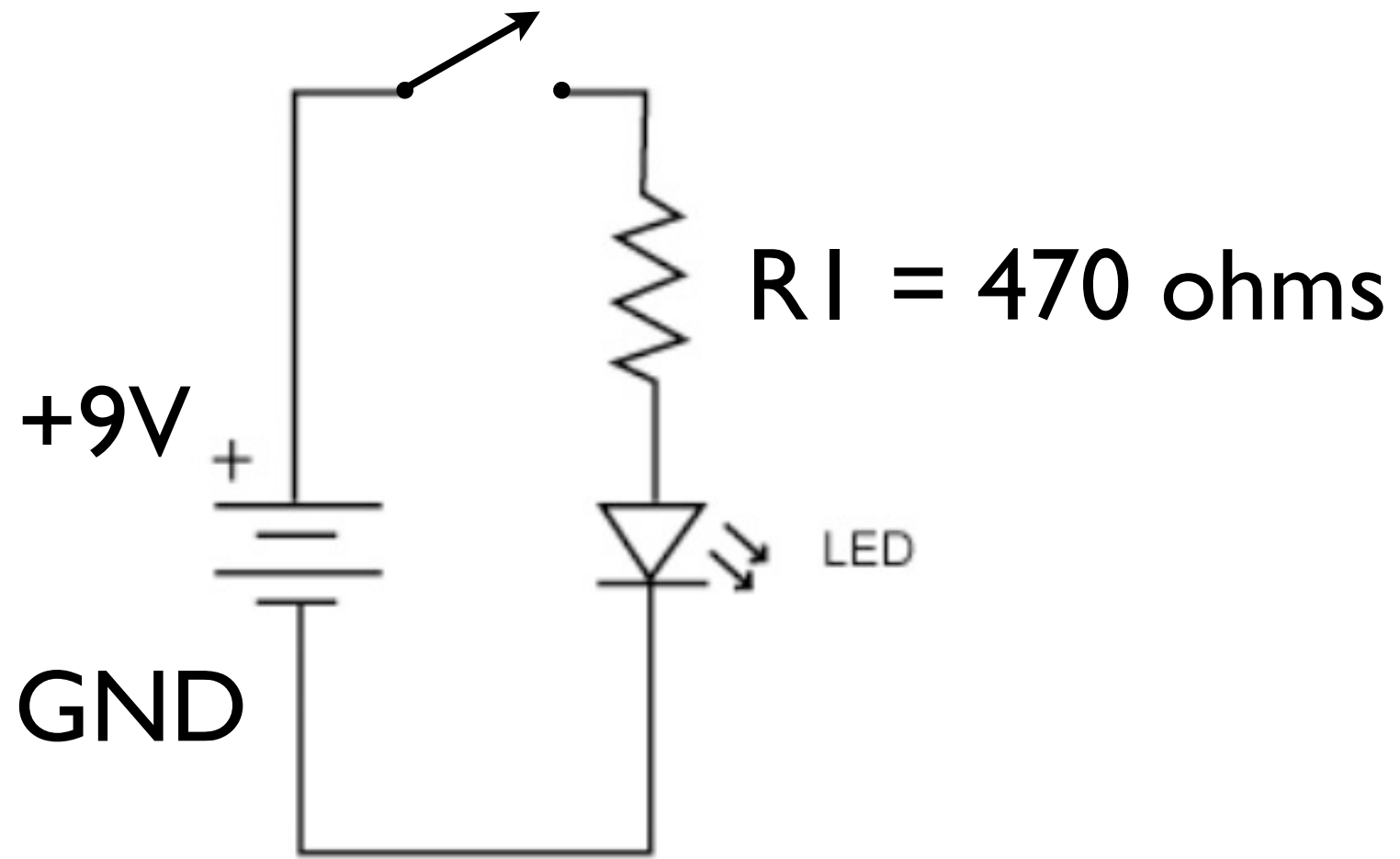


# Lighting an LED



**BUILD IT!**

Add a switch

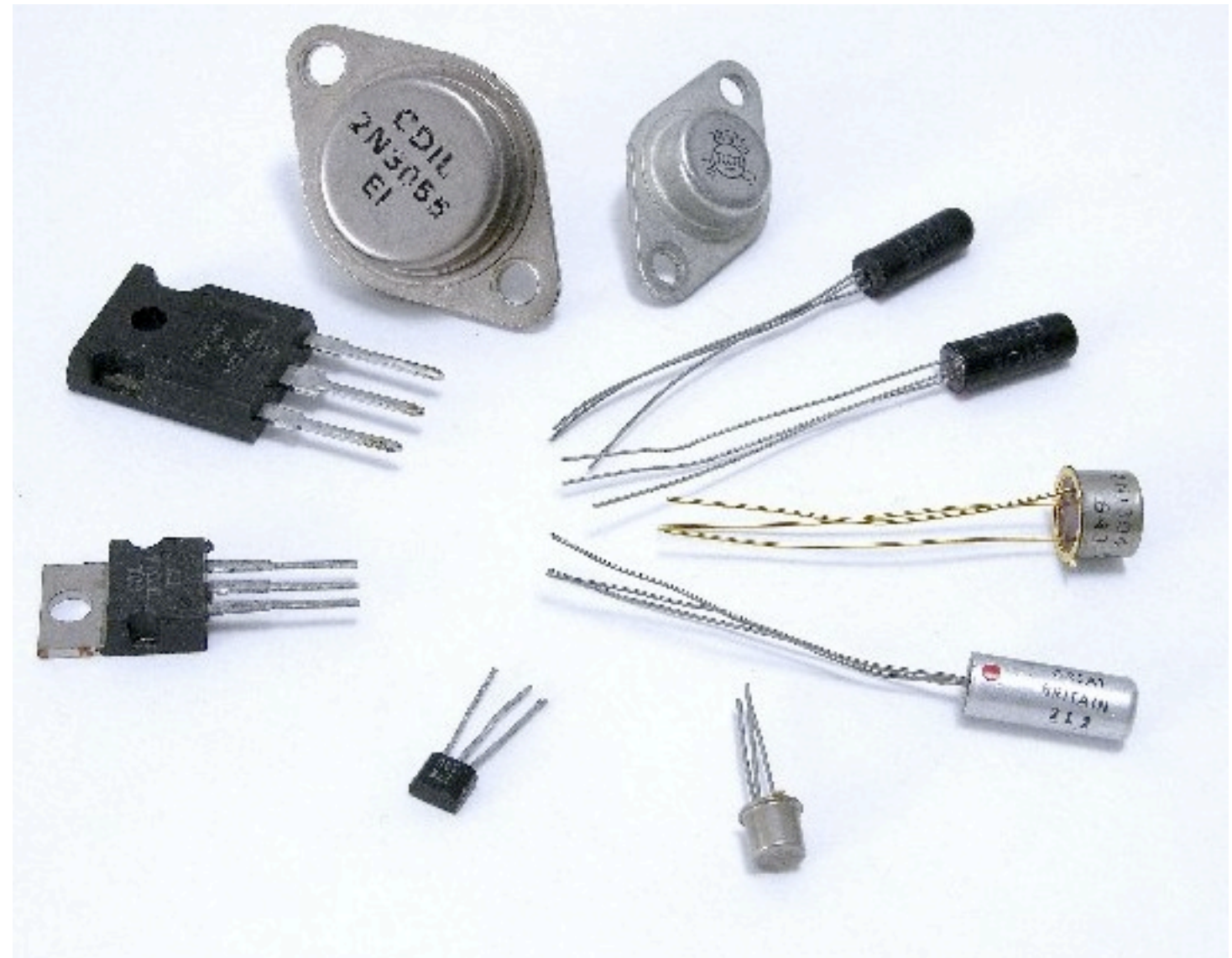
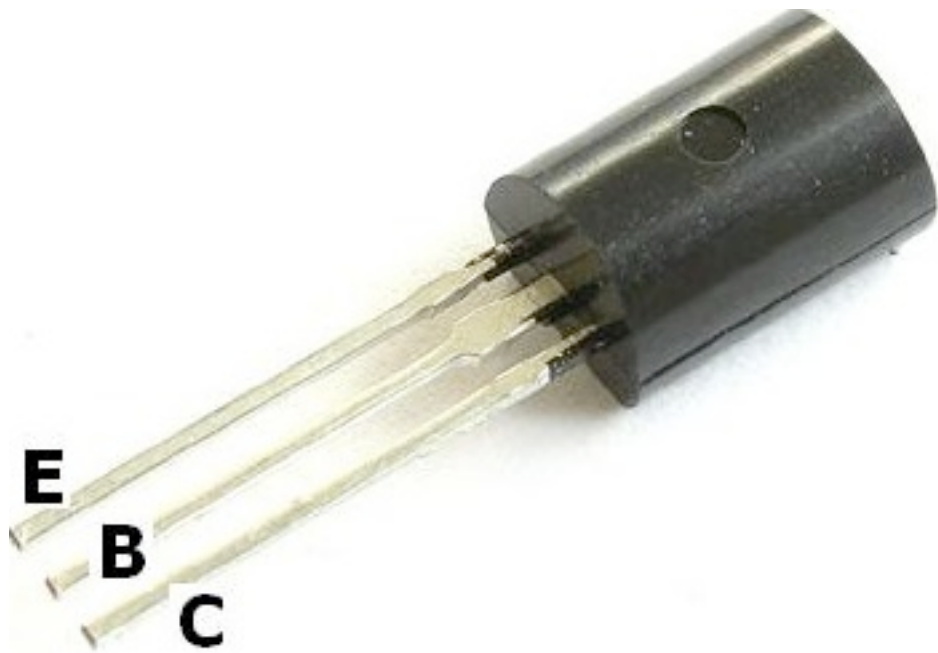


YES!



# Transistors

- 1) A type of "semiconductor" -- The heart of modern computing. Diodes, LEDs and microprocessors are all types of semiconductors.
- 2) Can be used as a SWITCH or an AMPLIFIER.
- 3) Processor chips are lots and lots of transistors in one package.
- 4) Transistors have three leads - the BASE, COLLECTOR and EMITTER.



# NPN vs PNP

- 1) NPN. If the base is at a **higher** voltage than the emitter, current flows from collector to emitter.
- 2) NPN. Small amount of current also flows from base to emitter.
- 3) NPN. Voltage at base controls amount of current flow through transistor (collector to emitter).

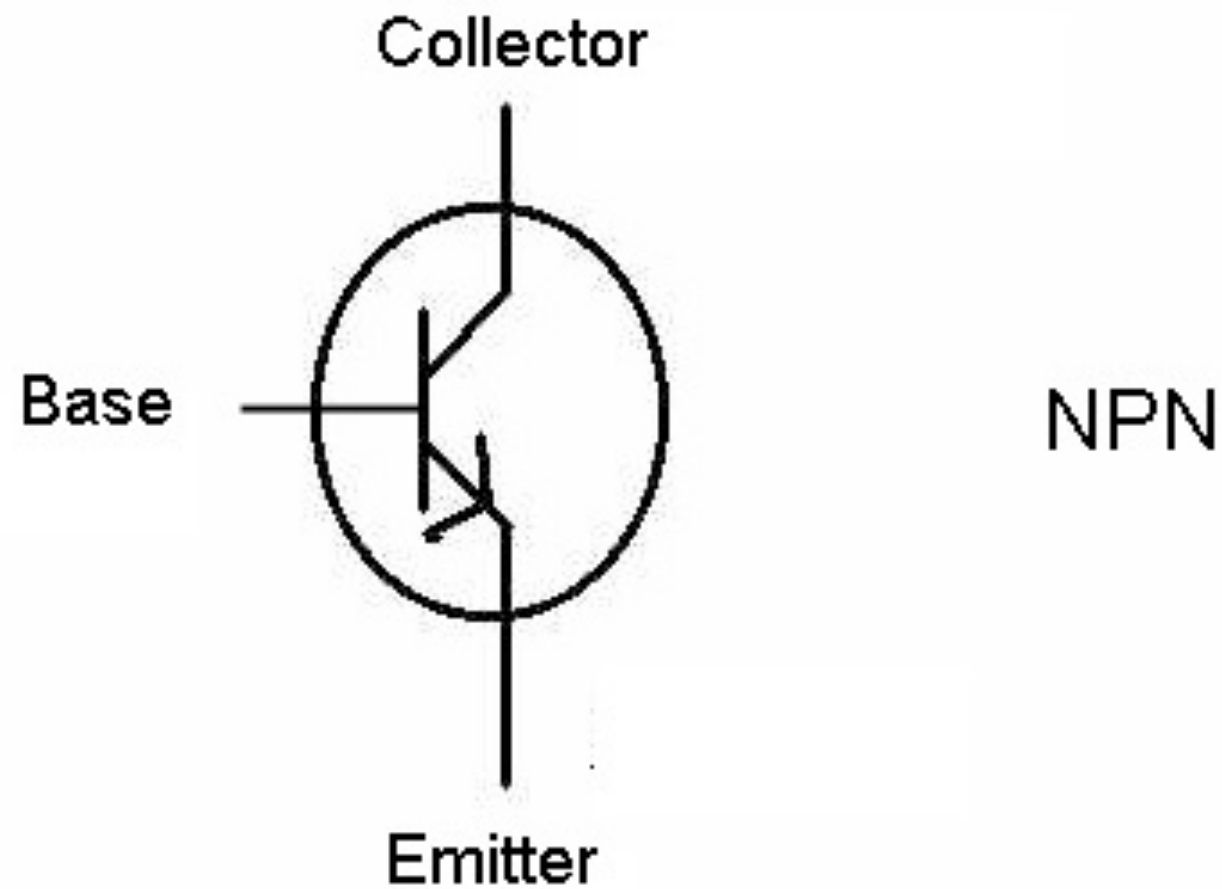




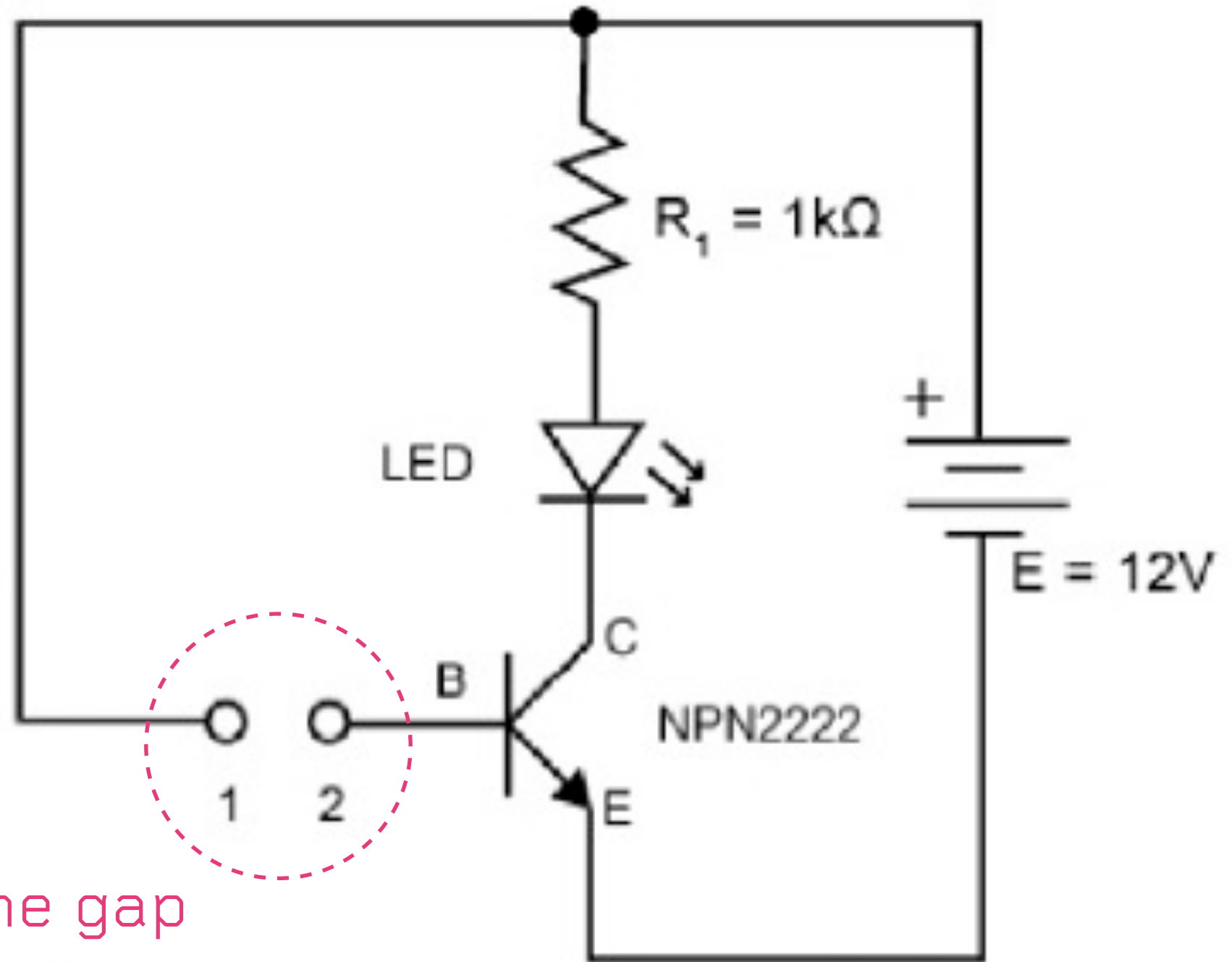
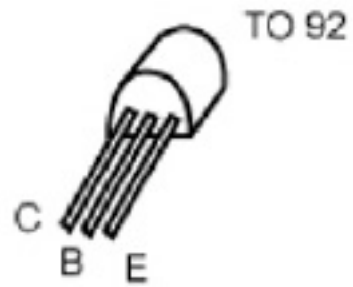
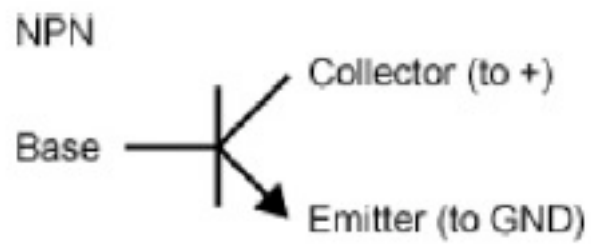


Bild 60. „Wasser-Transistor“ (gesperrter Zustand)



Bild 61. „Wasser-Transistor“ (leitender Zustand)

Bild 61. «Wasser-Transistor» leitender Zu-stand



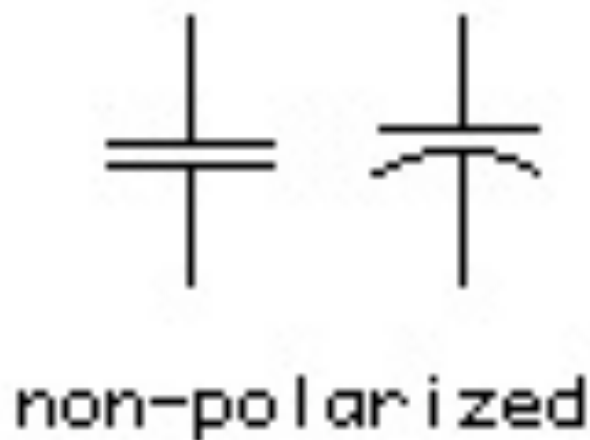
Bridge the gap  
with your fingers!

Warning: Don't connect  
with a wire...

# Capacitors

- Caps can store and release voltage
- When connected to DC voltage, the capacitor “pulls” and stores voltage.
- They hold charge when disconnected from power supply.
- When given the opportunity, they release the stored voltage.

Ceramic Caps

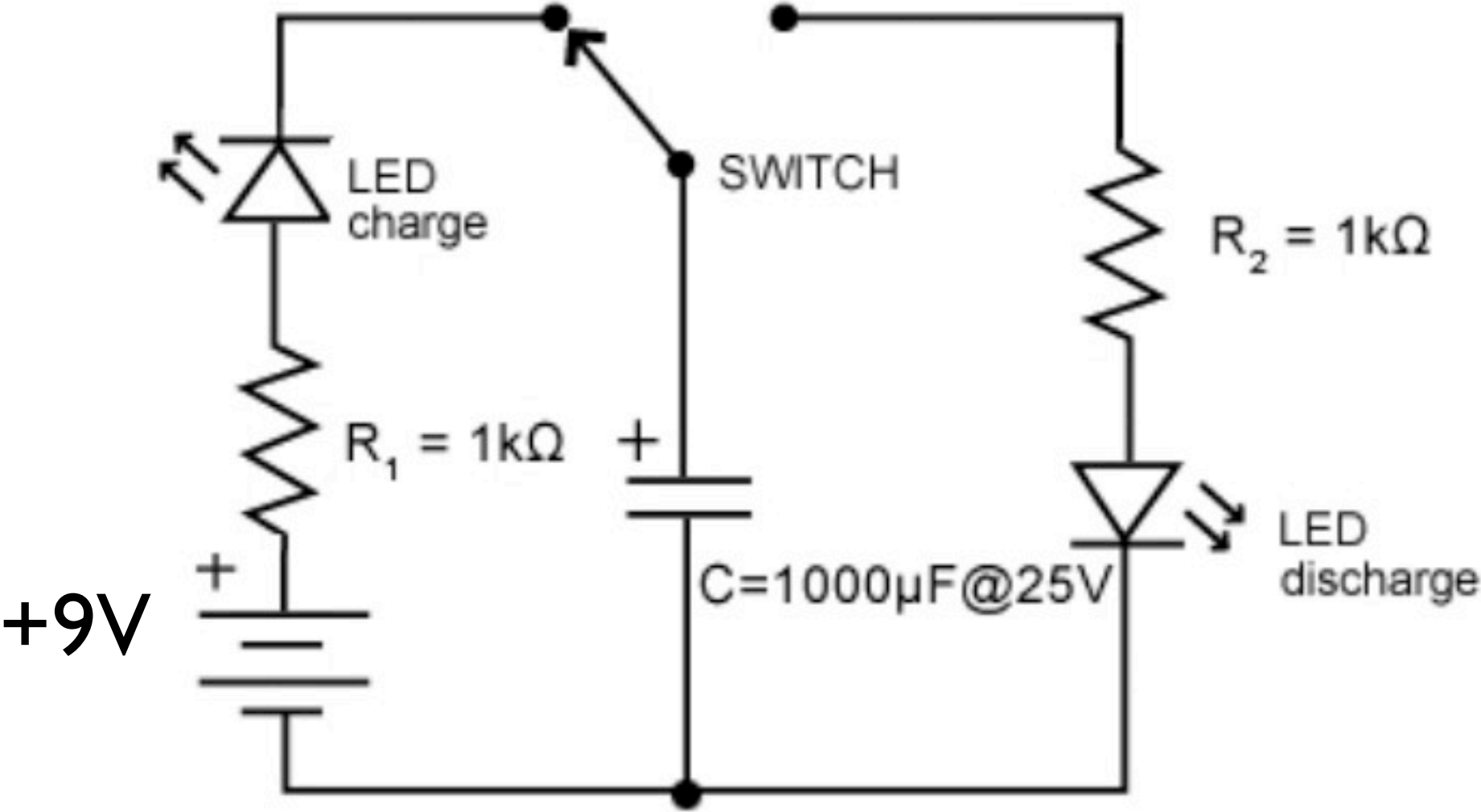


Electrolytic Caps



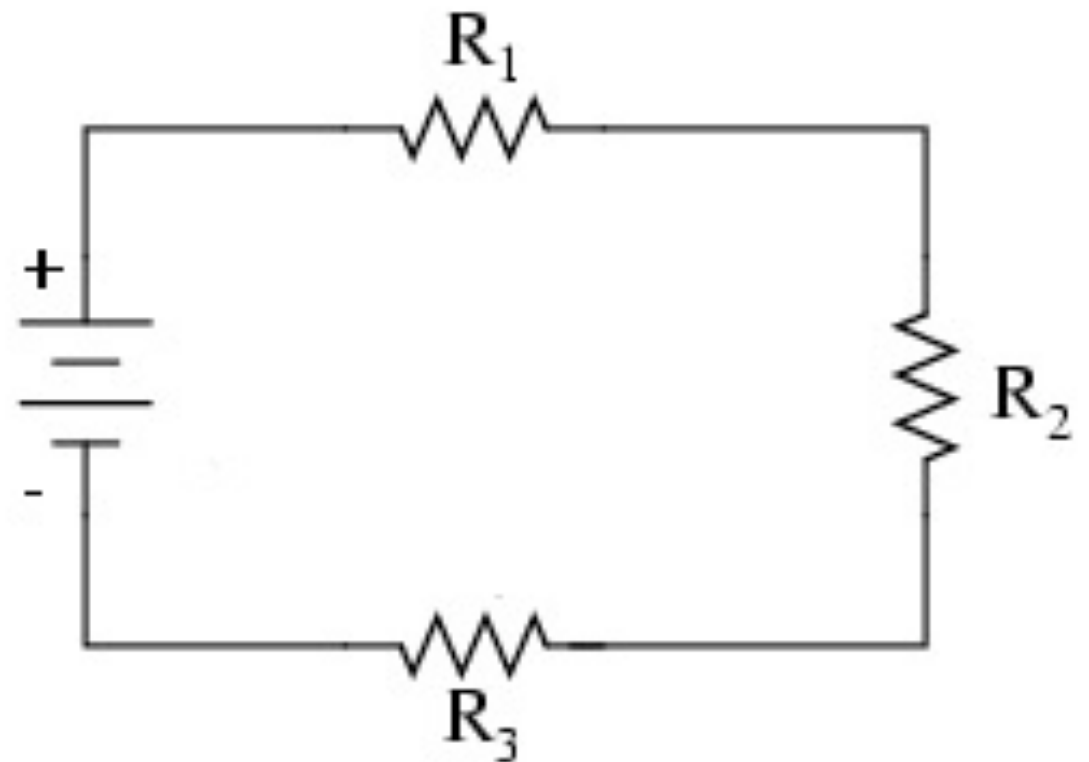
- » Amount of charge a capacitor can hold is measured in **Farads**.
- » 1 Farad is equal to 1 amp of current at 1 volt for 1 second.
- » 1 Farad is a lot of charge. Capacitors we work with are typically measured in Micro Farads ( $\mu\text{F}$ ) and Pico Farads (pF).

# Capacitor Lab



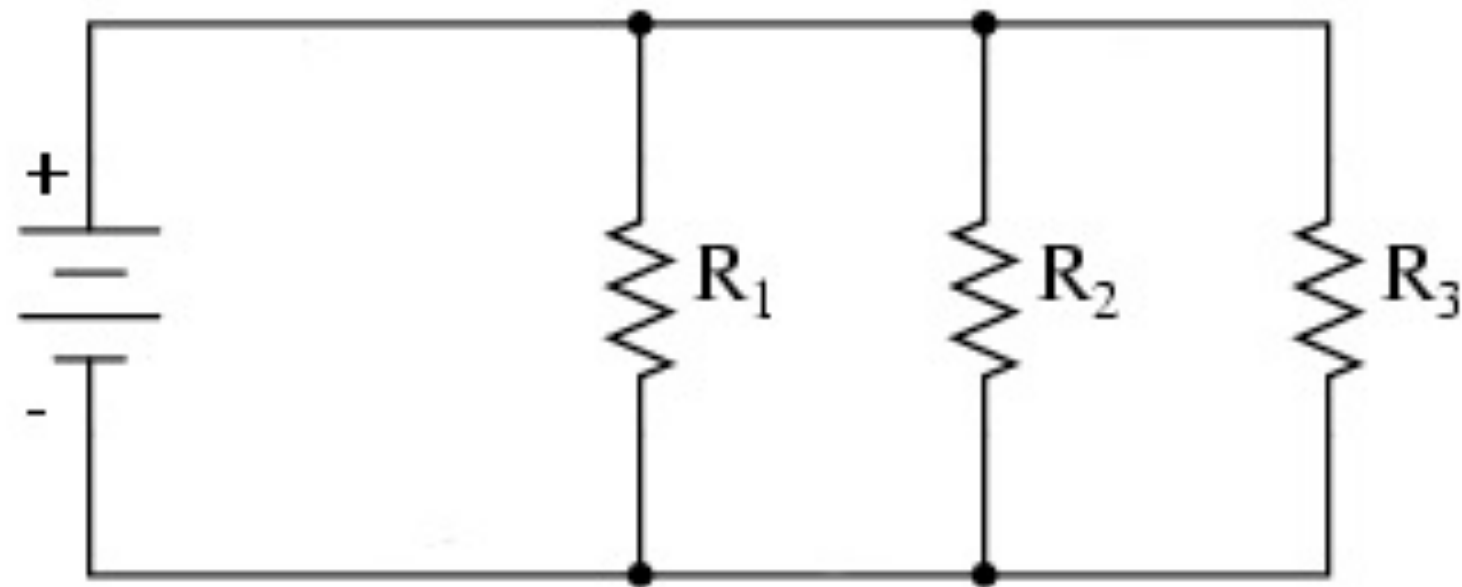
# Circuits in **SERIES**

- Components connect end-to-end
- Single path for electrons to flow
- All components share the same current
- Total Resistance of the circuit is equal to sum of individual resistors.
- Total Voltage of the circuit equal to all the individual "voltage drops"



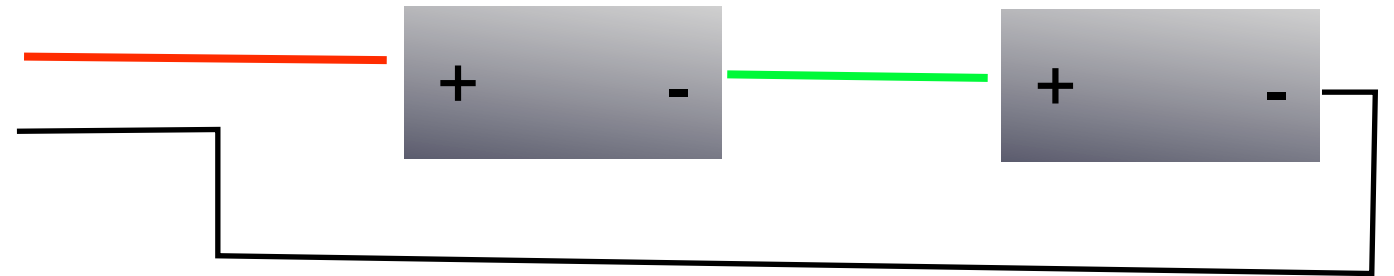
## Circuits in PARALLEL

- Components connect parallel to one another
- Multiple paths for electrons to flow
- All components share the same voltage
- Total Current of the circuit is equal to sum of individual branch currents.



## Batteries in **SERIES**

Double the Voltage  
Same Current



## Batteries in **PARALLEL**

Double the Current  
Same Voltage

