

# Welcome to EECS 16A!

## Designing Information Devices and Systems I

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Module 2  
Lecture 2

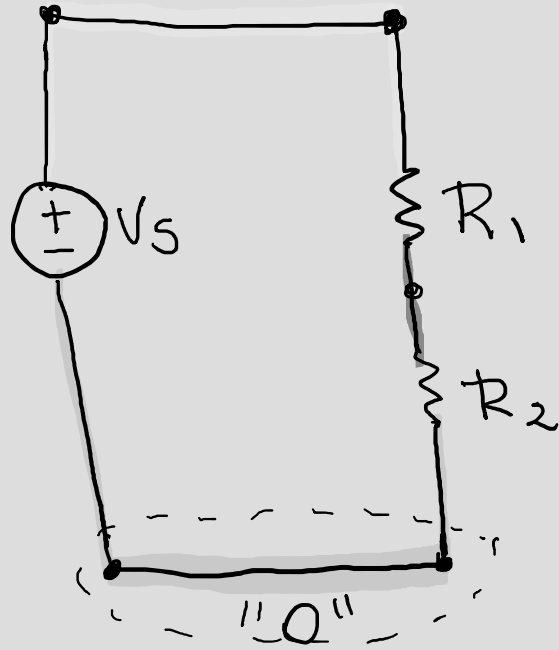
Introduction to Modeling with Circuit Elements  
(Note 12)



# Node Voltage Analysis – Voltage Divider

make circuit analysis faster  
(Operators)

✓ Step 1 – Pick a node and label it as ground

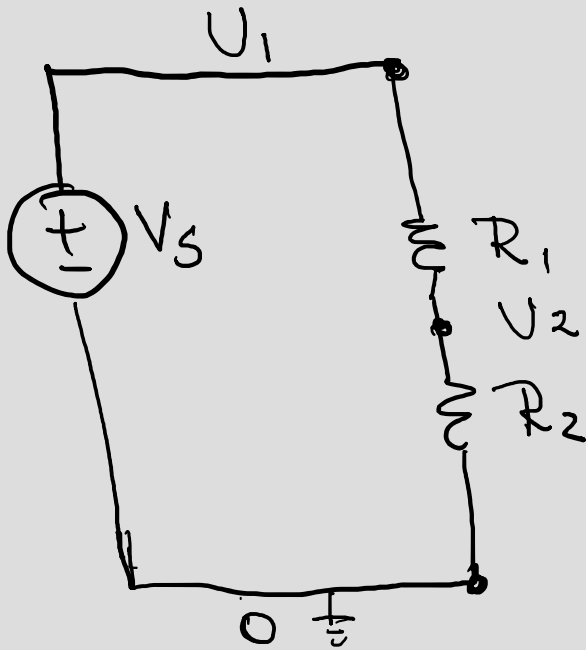


$R_2$  has 2 junctions

Potential @ wire the same

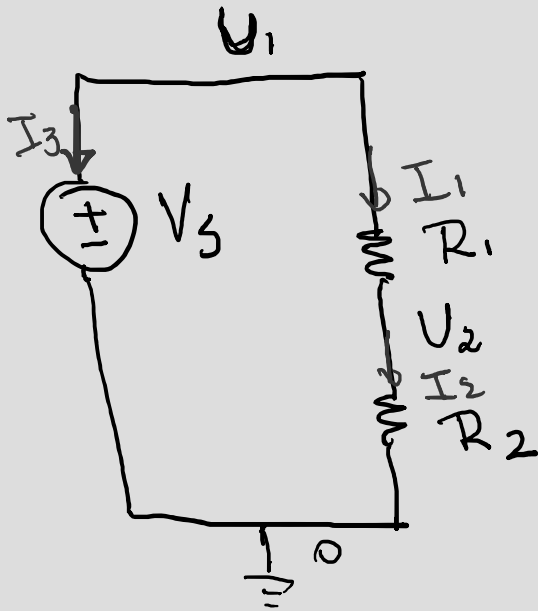
# Node Voltage Analysis – Voltage Divider

Step 2 – Label all remaining nodes as some potential  $U_i$ .



# Node Voltage Analysis – Voltage Divider

Step 3 – Label the current through every non-wire element in the circuit with  $I_n$ .

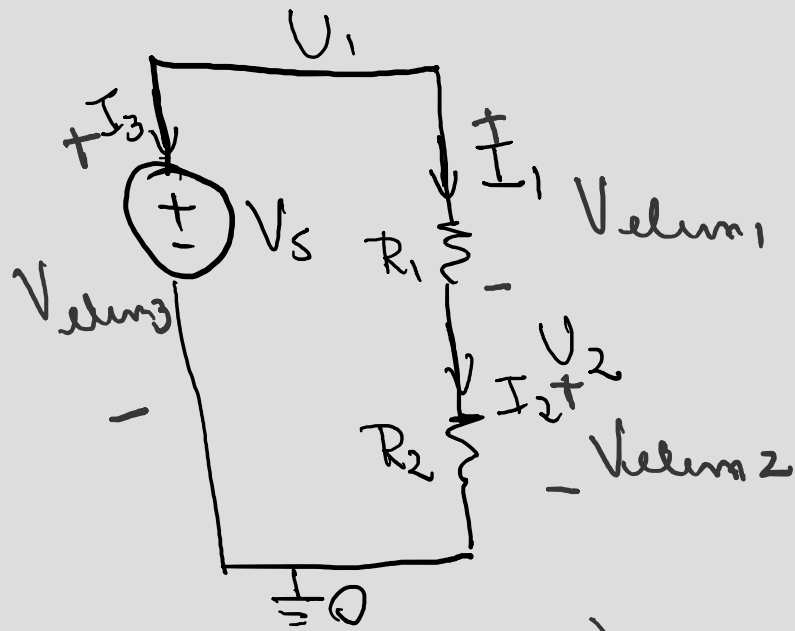


→ Next step  
requires  
some thinking...



# Node Voltage Analysis – Voltage Divider

Step 4 – Add +/- labels on each non-wire element, following the passive sign convention.



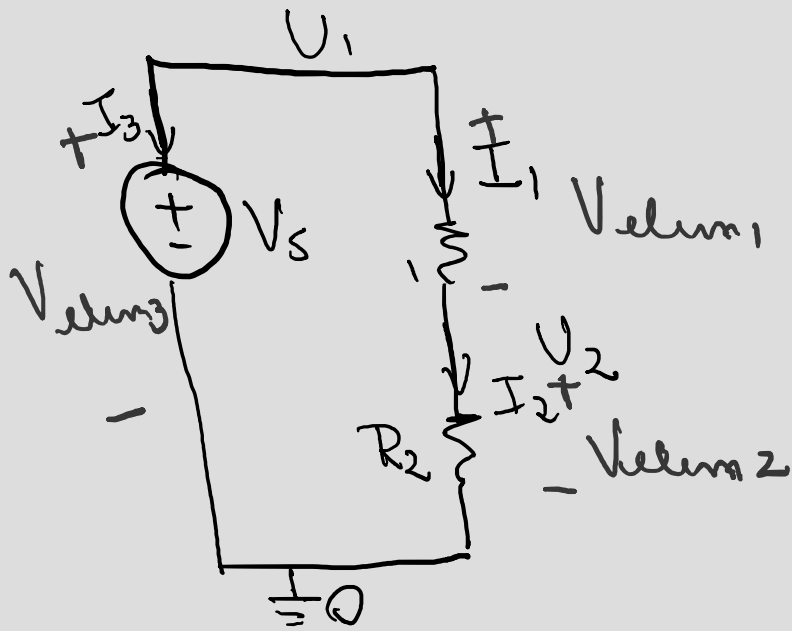
★ Important!

**Passive sign convention:** the current enters at the positive terminal and exits are the negative terminal.

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Step 5 – Set up the relationship  $A \vec{x} = \vec{b}$  where  $\vec{x}$  consists of the unknown currents and potentials.

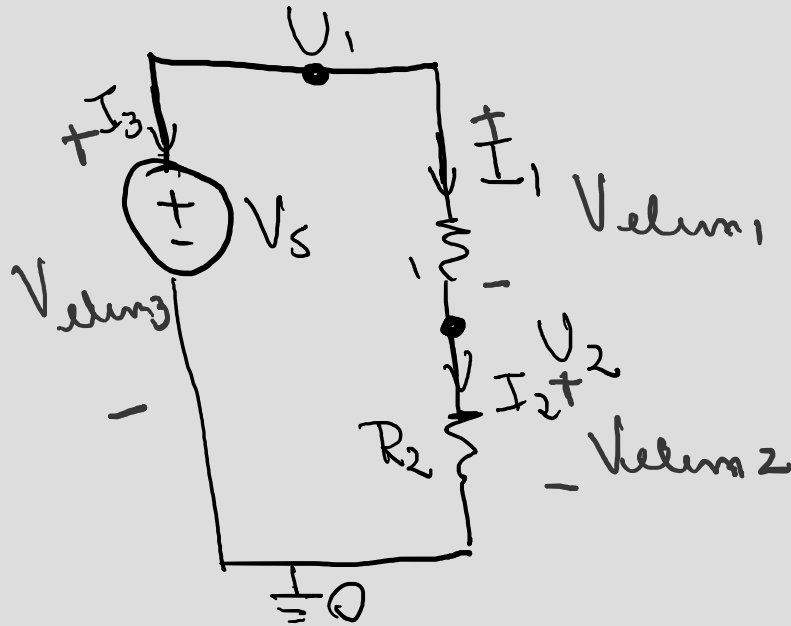
\* Identify the unknowns



$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \\ U_1 \\ U_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Node Voltage Analysis – Voltage Divider

Step 6 – Use KCL to fill in as many linearly independent rows in  $A$  and  $\vec{b}$  **as possible**.



$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \\ U_1 \\ U_2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{KCL}}$$

$$I_1 + I_3 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$I_1 = I_2$$

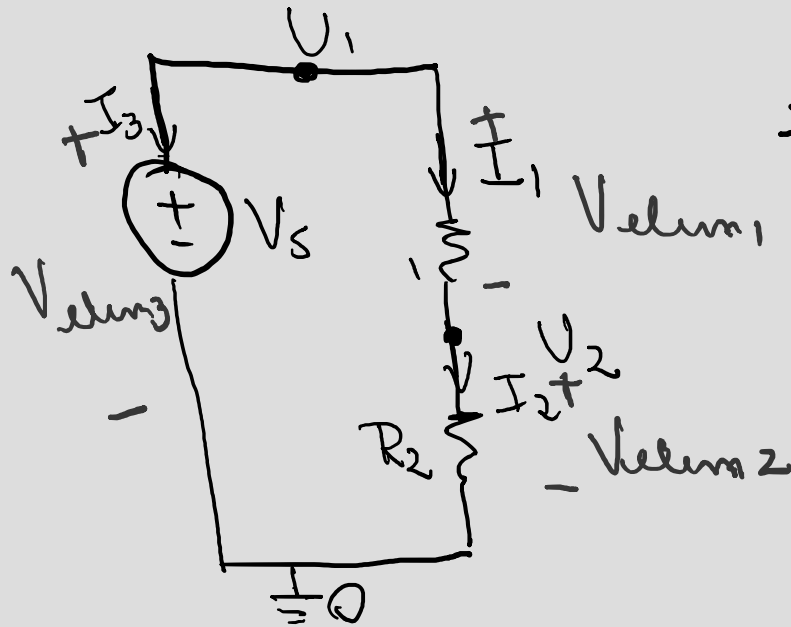
$$-I_1 + I_2 = 0 \quad (2)$$

$I$  coming out  $\oplus \Rightarrow$  convention

**KCL**: the current flowing into a junction must equal the current flowing out of that junction.

# Node Voltage Analysis – Voltage Divider

Step 7 – Use the IV relationships of each of the non-wire elements to fill in the remaining rows of  $A$  and  $\vec{b}$ .



$$\vec{I} = \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \\ U_1 \\ U_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

→ KCL

$$I_1 + I_3 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$-I_1 + I_2 = 0 \quad (2)$$

Voltage Potential | Element IV

$$\begin{aligned} V_{el,1} &= U_1 - U_2 & V_{el,1} &= R_1 I_1 \\ V_{el,2} &= U_2 - 0 = U_2 & V_{el,2} &= R_2 I_2 \\ V_{el,3} &= U_1 - 0 = U_1 & V_{el,3} &= V_s \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$R_1 I_1 = U_1 - U_2 \Rightarrow R_1 I_1 - U_1 + U_2 = 0$$

$$U_2 = R_2 I_2 \Rightarrow R_2 I_2 - U_2 = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$U_1 = V_s \quad (5)$$

# Node Voltage Analysis – Voltage Divider

Step 8 – Solve the system of equations to determine values of unknown variables.

$$I_1 + I_3 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$-I_1 + I_2 = 0 \quad (2)$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ R_1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & R_2 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_1 \\ I_2 \\ I_3 \\ U_1 \\ U_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ V_S \end{bmatrix}$$

$$I_1 = \frac{V_S}{R_1 + R_2}, \quad I_2 = \frac{V_S}{R_1 + R_2}, \quad I_3 = -\frac{V_S}{R_1 + R_2}$$

$$U_1 = V_S,$$

$$U_2 = \underbrace{\frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2}}_{\alpha < 1} \cdot V_S = R_2 \cdot \underbrace{\frac{V_S}{R_1 + R_2}}_{I_2}$$

$\alpha$  is an operator!

# Electrical Quantities – Some Physics...

\* Charge – can be either positive or negative;  
basic element of electrical flow.  
UNIT: Coulomb [C]

\* Current – net amount of charge that passes  
through some cross-section area over  
some period of time.

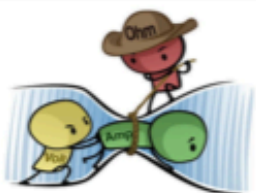
$$[A] \rightarrow I = \frac{dQ}{dt} \quad \begin{matrix} \swarrow [C] \\ [s] \end{matrix}$$

Quantities	Analytical Symbol	Units
Current	I	Amperes [A]
Voltage	V	Volts [V]
Resistance	R	Ohms [ $\Omega$ ]

\* **Important:**

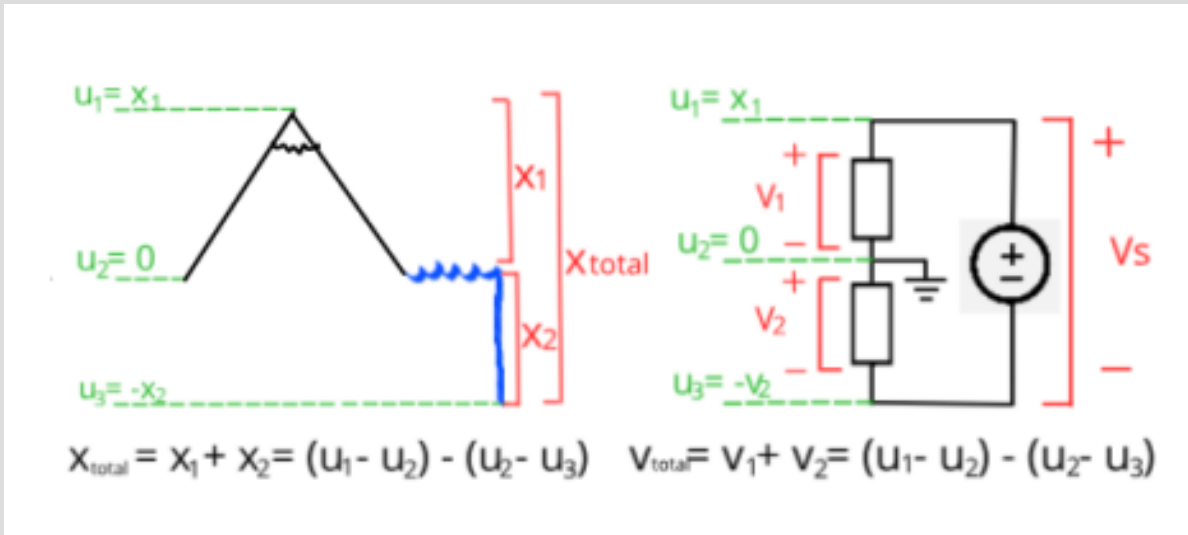
ALWAYS DO UNIT  
CHECKS!

I  $\Rightarrow$  flows through an element  
V  $\Rightarrow$  applied across an element  
R  $\Rightarrow$  opposition to current flow



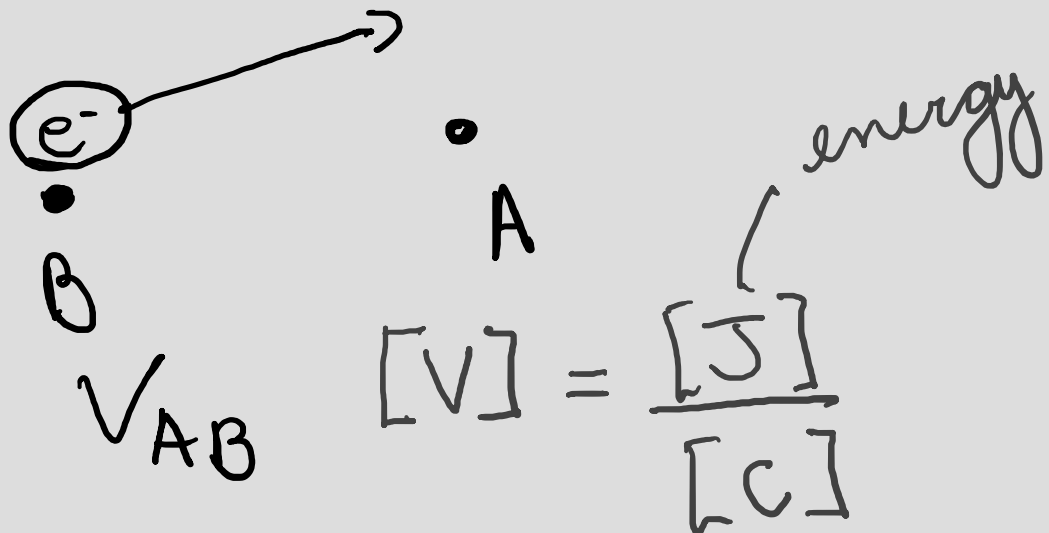


# Electrical Quantities – Some Physics...



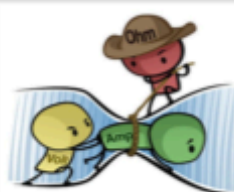
- Voltage: represents the energy to move a positive unit of charge from one point to the other.

Note 11



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# Resistance, Resistivity, Conductivity – Physics and Materials...

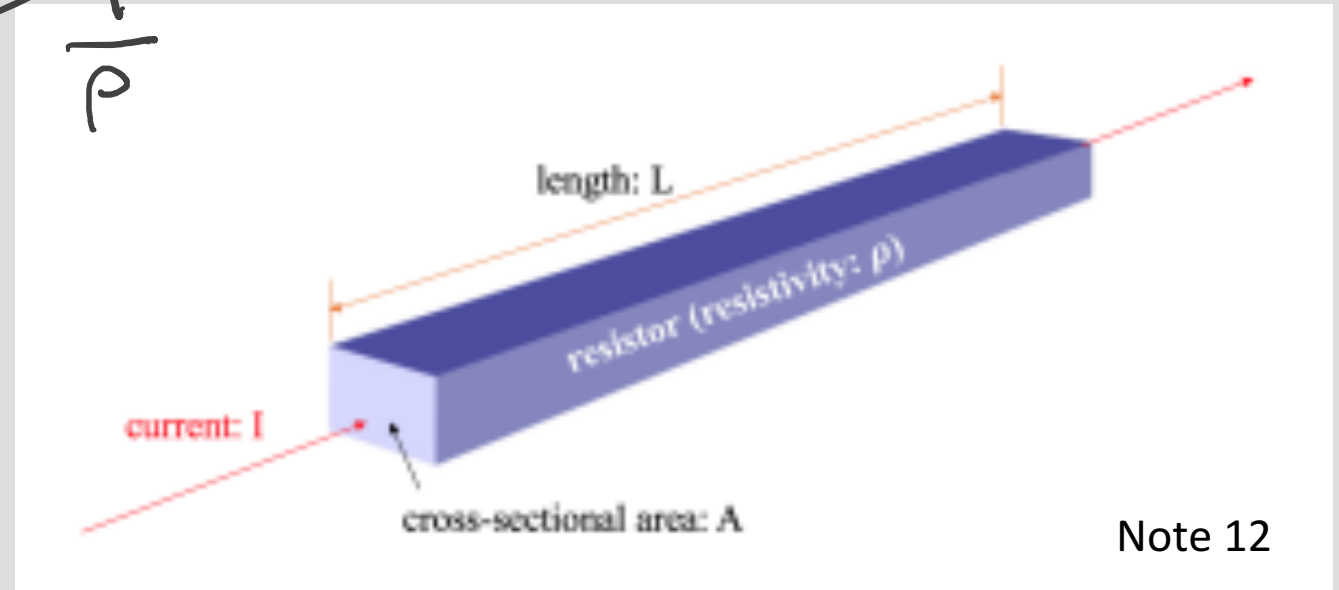
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\* Resistance: real materials/metals/conductors require a certain amount of energy to allow charge to flow through.

$$V = I \cdot R$$
$$[V] = [A] \cdot [\Omega]$$

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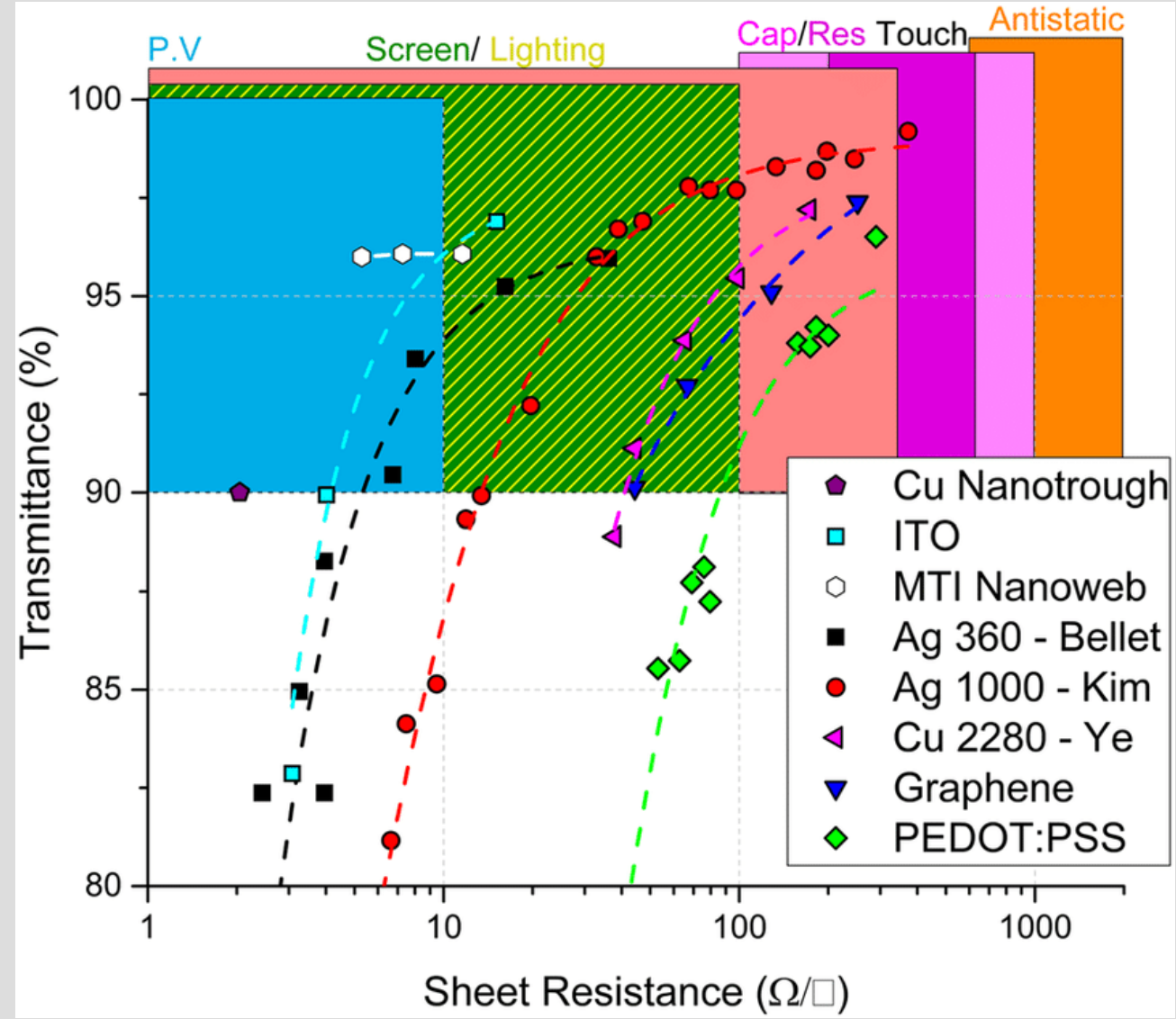
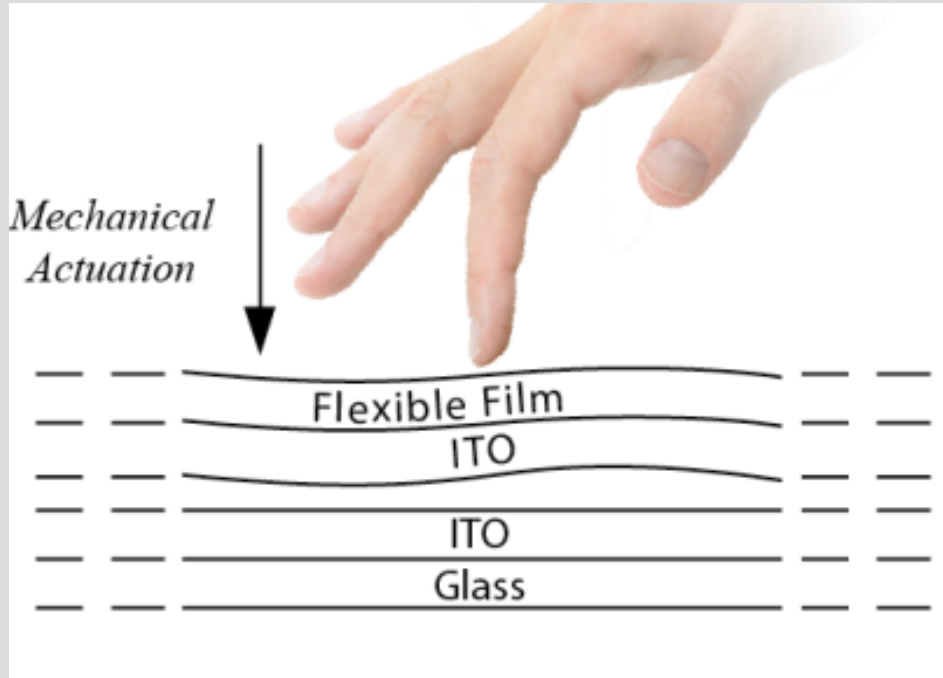
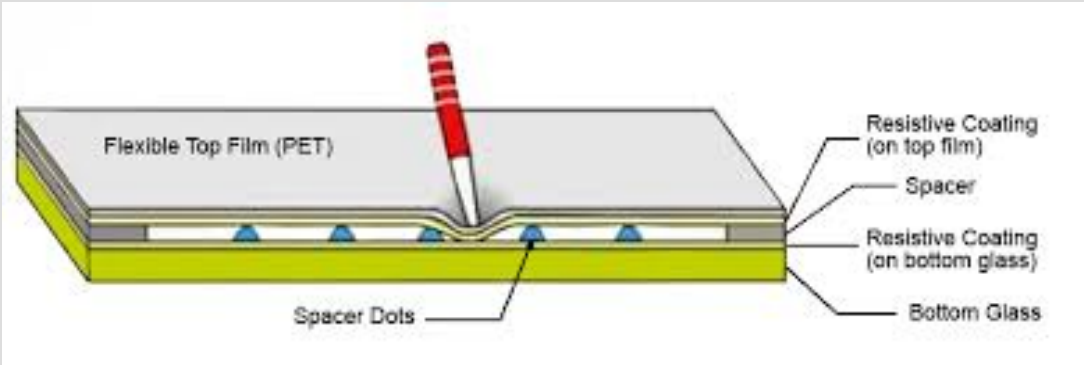
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longer the wire  $\rightarrow$  the more energy is lost.  $R = \rho \cdot \frac{L}{A}$

Wide wires  $\rightarrow$  lower resistance

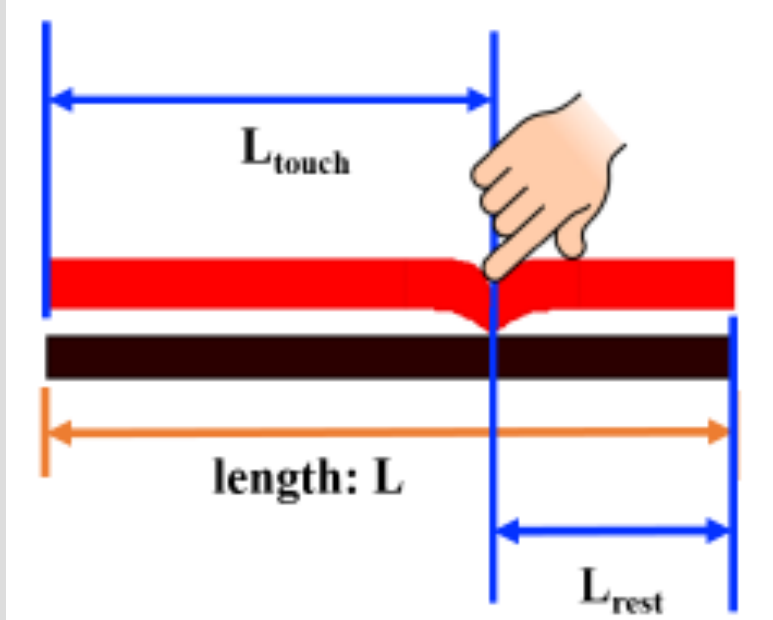
Wire properties depends on materials choice.

# Resistive Touch Screen



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Problem: To find the location of touch.

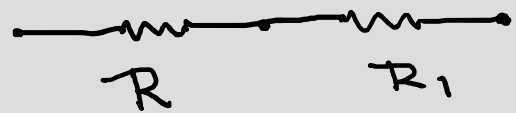
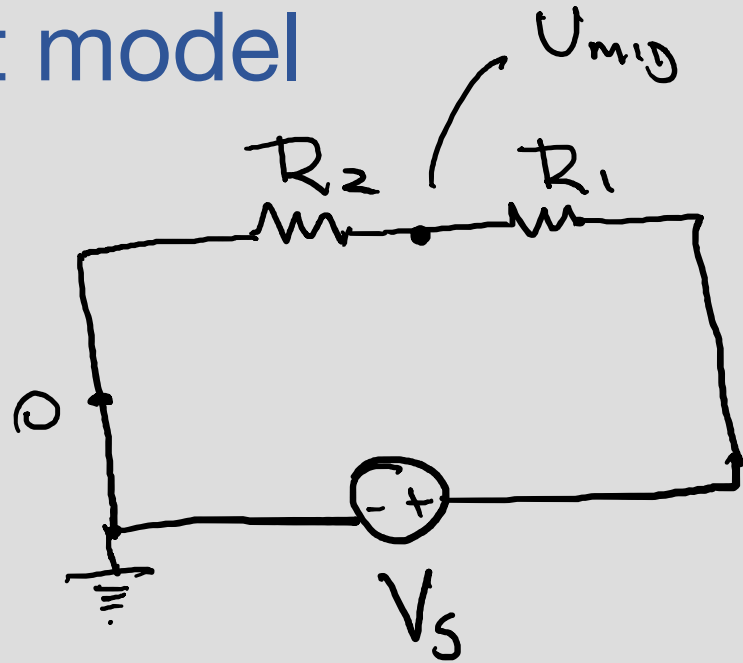
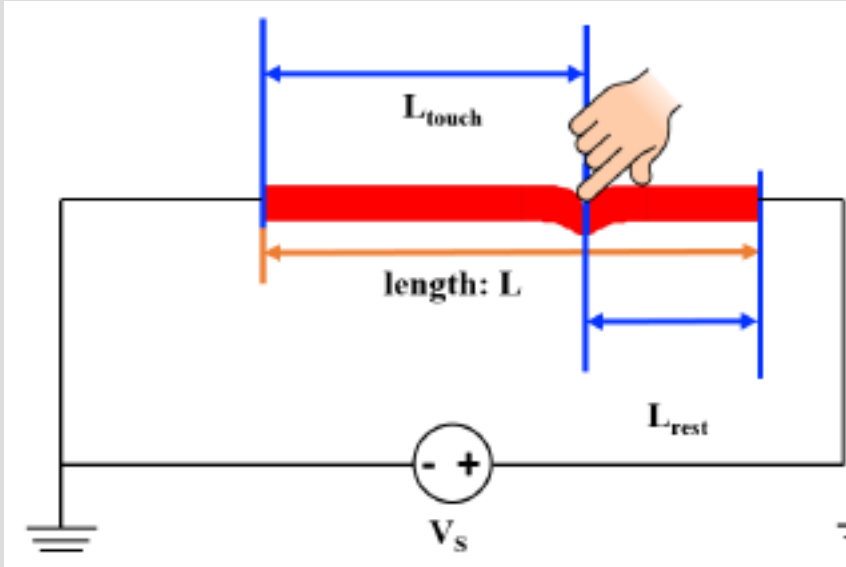


Go from mechanical to electrical quantity!

Want to measure  $\frac{h_{touch}}{h}$

$h_{touch}$  is unknown

# Resistive Touch Screen – First model



$$R_1 = \rho \cdot \frac{L}{A} \quad (1)$$

$$R_2 = \rho \cdot \frac{L_{touch}}{A} \quad (2)$$

$$U_{mid} = \frac{L_{touch}}{L} \cdot V_s$$

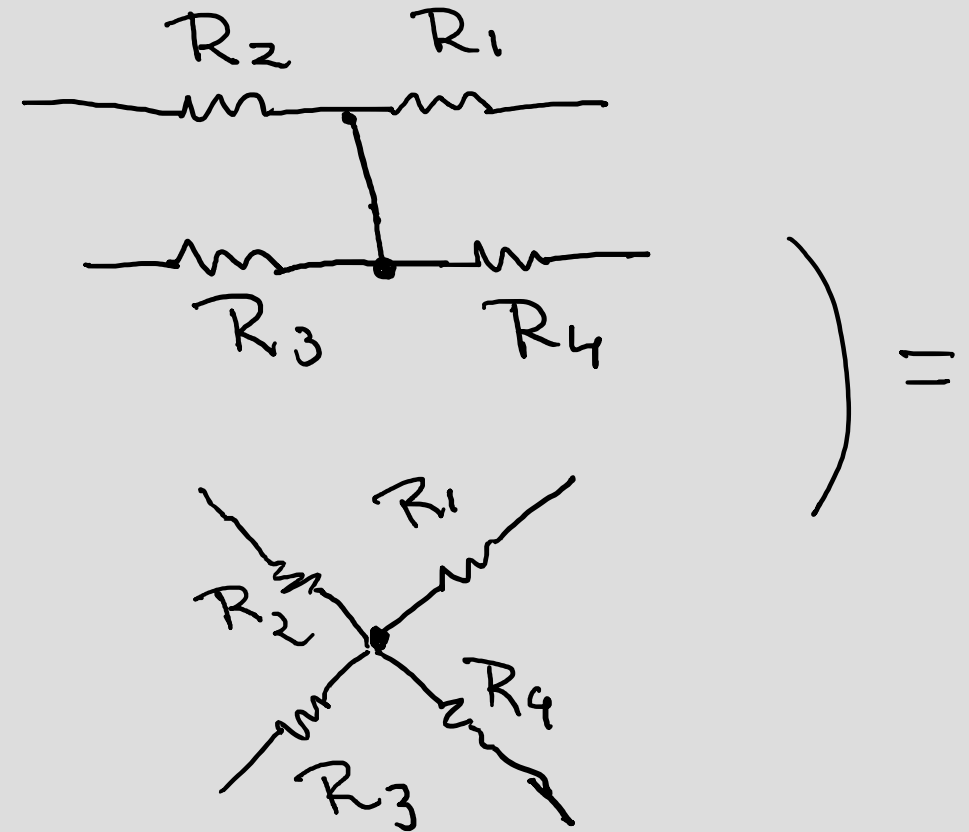
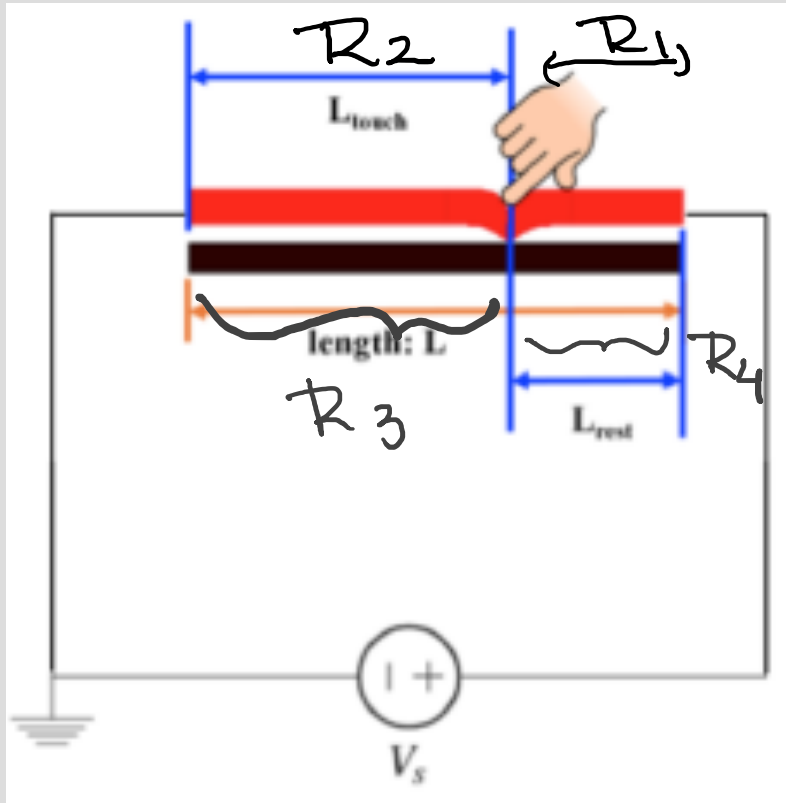
$$U_{mid} = \frac{R_2}{R_2 + R_1} V_s \quad (\text{Voltage Divider})^*$$

$$U_{mid} = \frac{\rho \frac{L_{touch}}{A}}{\rho \frac{L_{touch}}{A} + \rho \frac{L_{rest}}{A}} \cdot V_s$$

$$L \leftarrow \frac{L_{touch}}{L_{touch} + L_{rest}} \cdot V_s$$

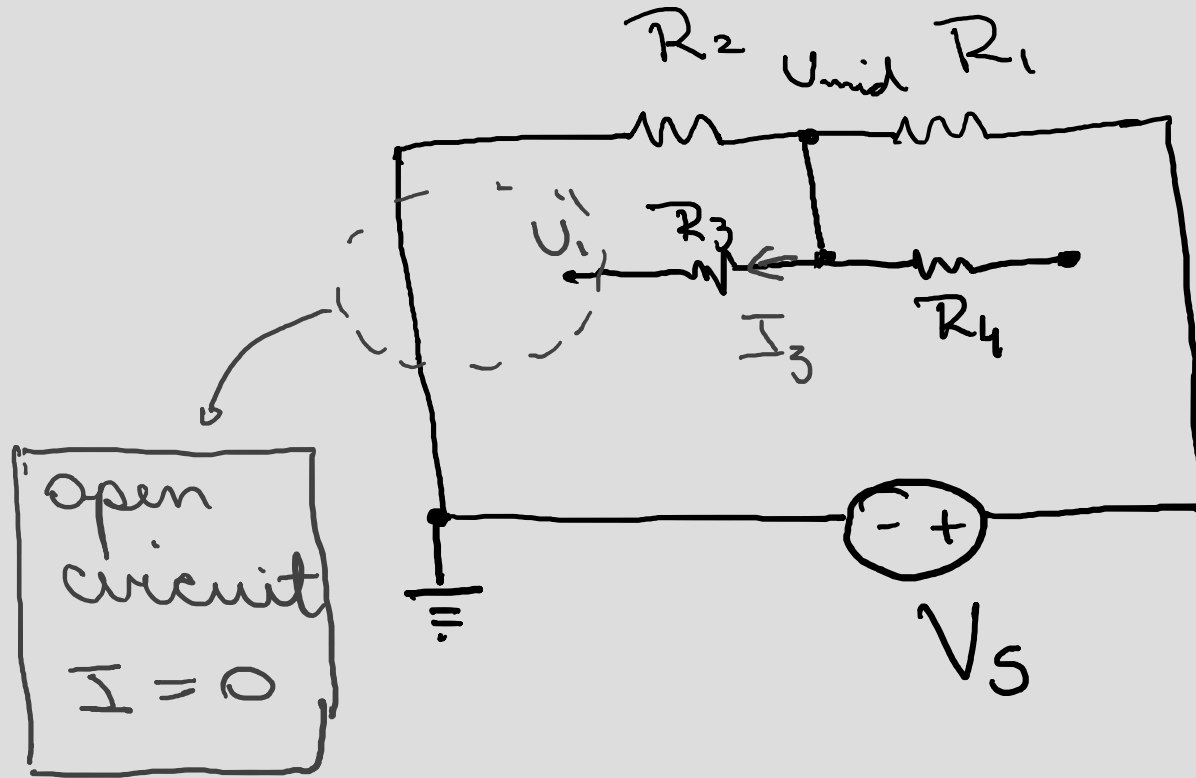
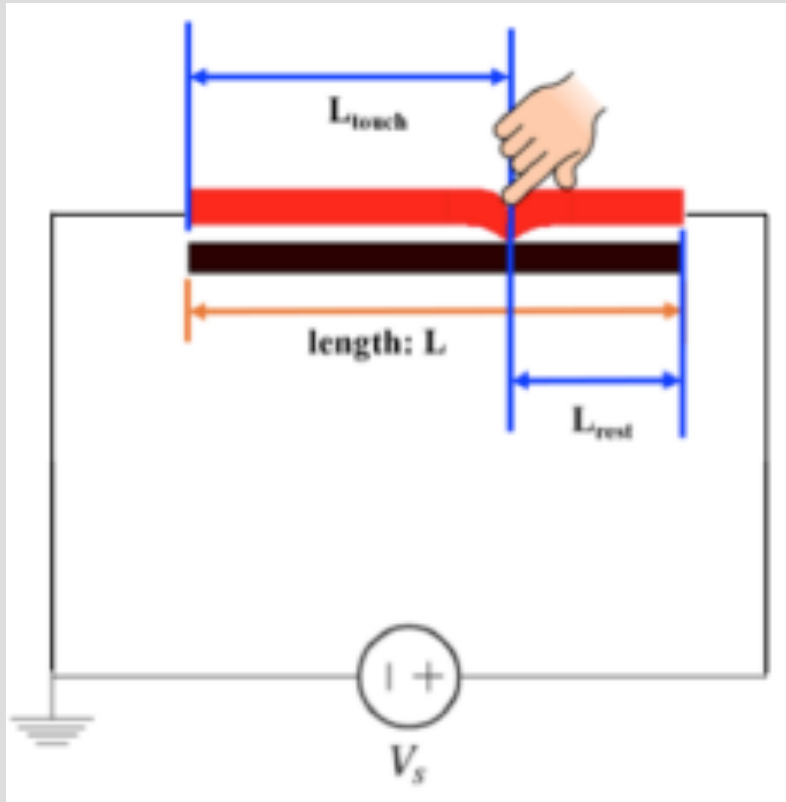


# Resistive Touch Screen – More realistic model



$R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_3$  and  $R_4$  are unknown.

# Resistive Touch Screen – More realistic model



open circuit  
 $I = 0$

$$I_3 = 0$$

$$U_1 = 0$$

Read out is Voltage!