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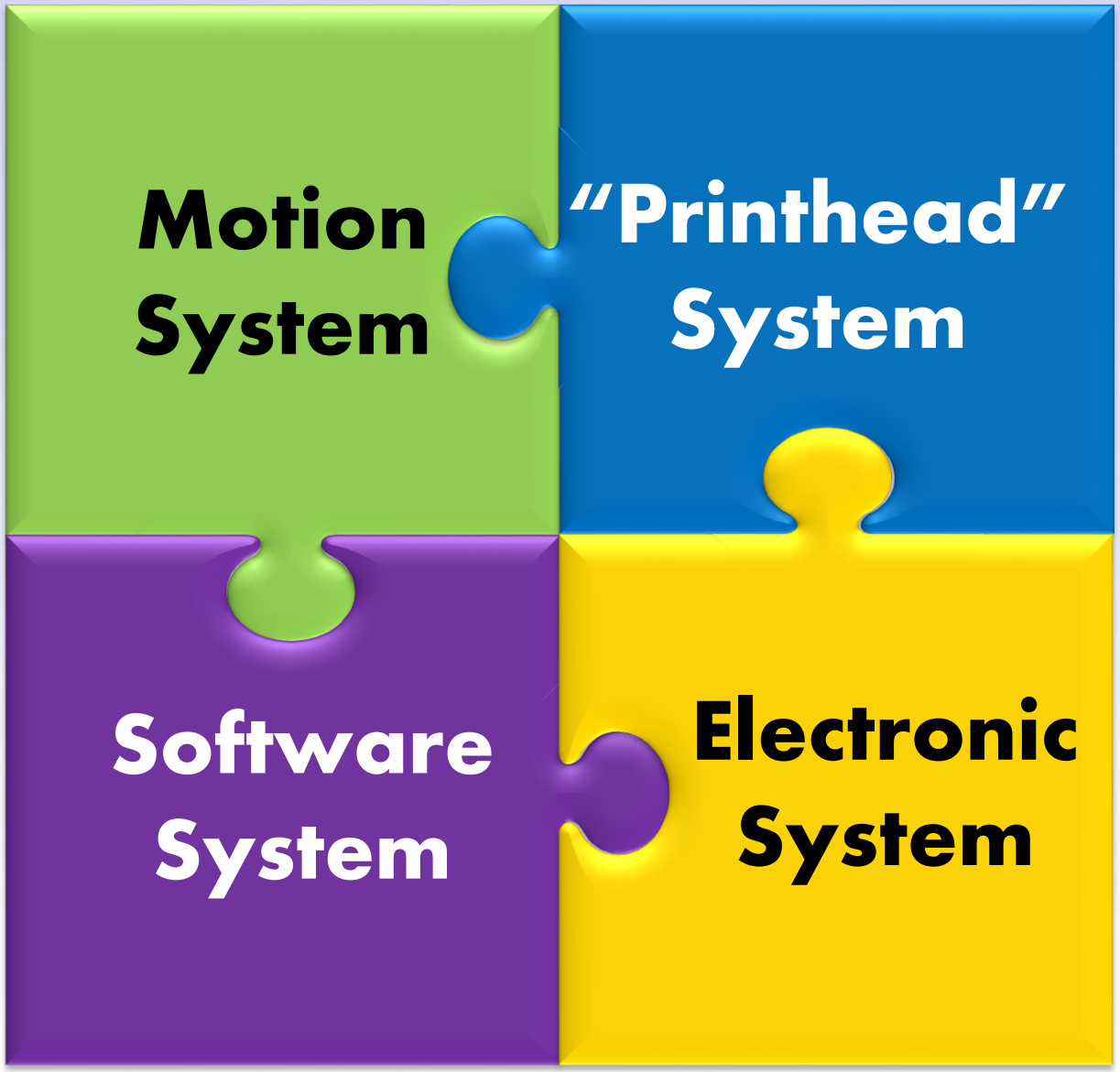
AM Machine

- Subsystems – Modular design



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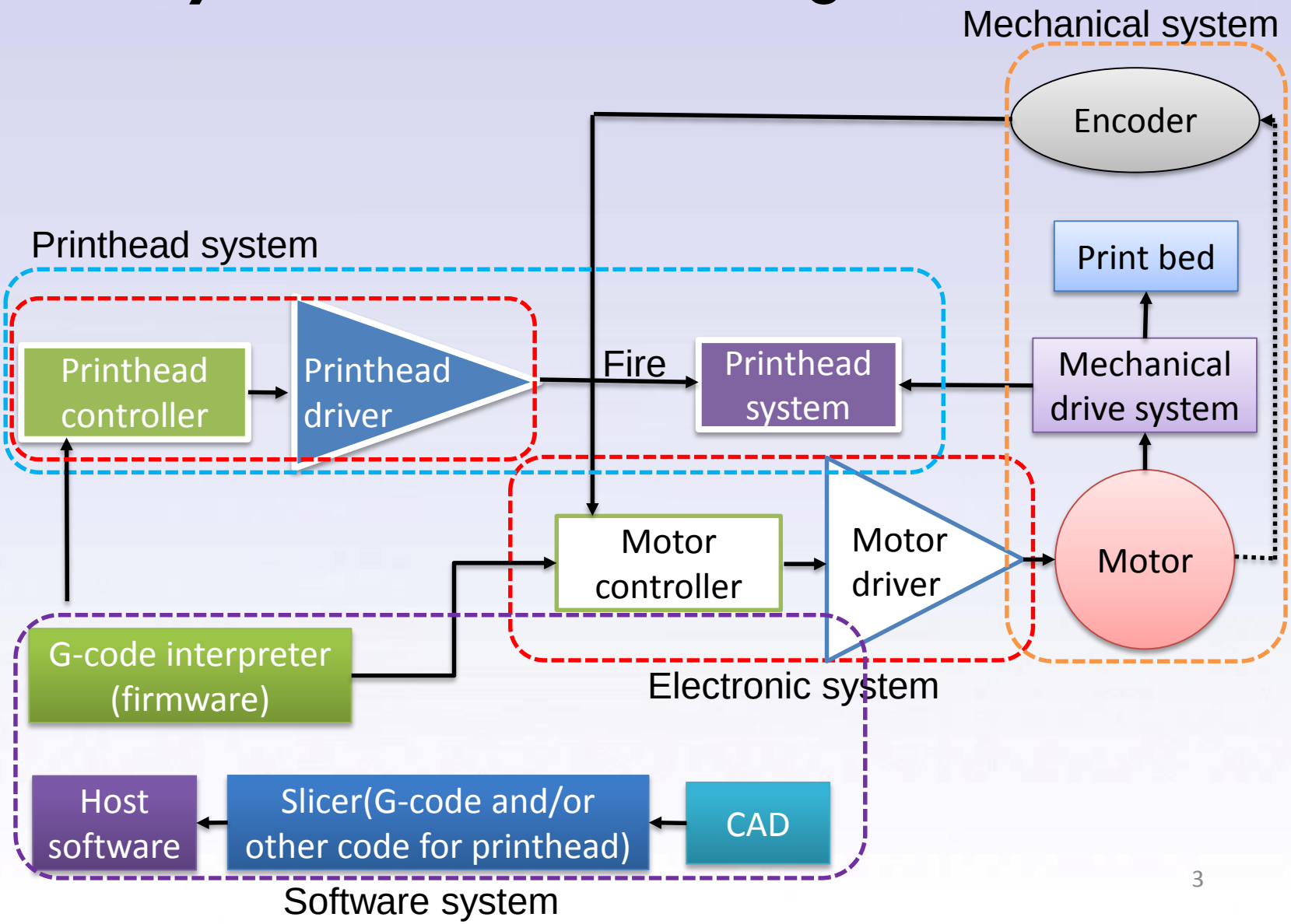
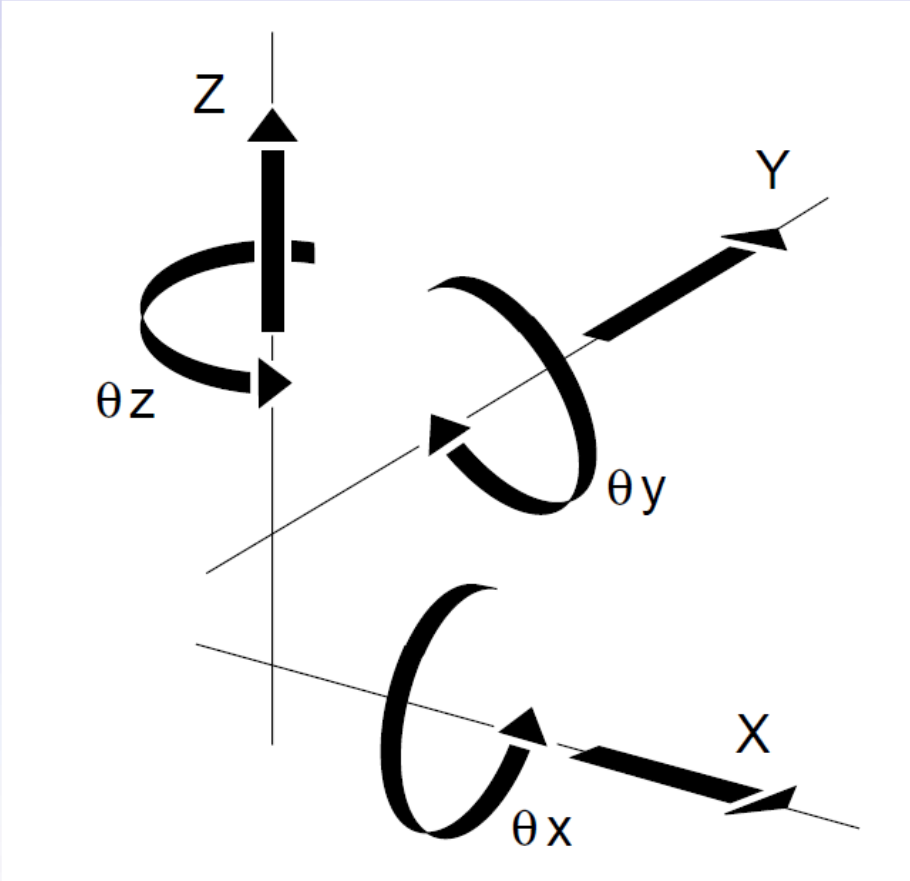
Subsystems – Modular design



Motion system

Objective



Six degrees of freedom for a motion system

- Position
- Velocity
- Acceleration

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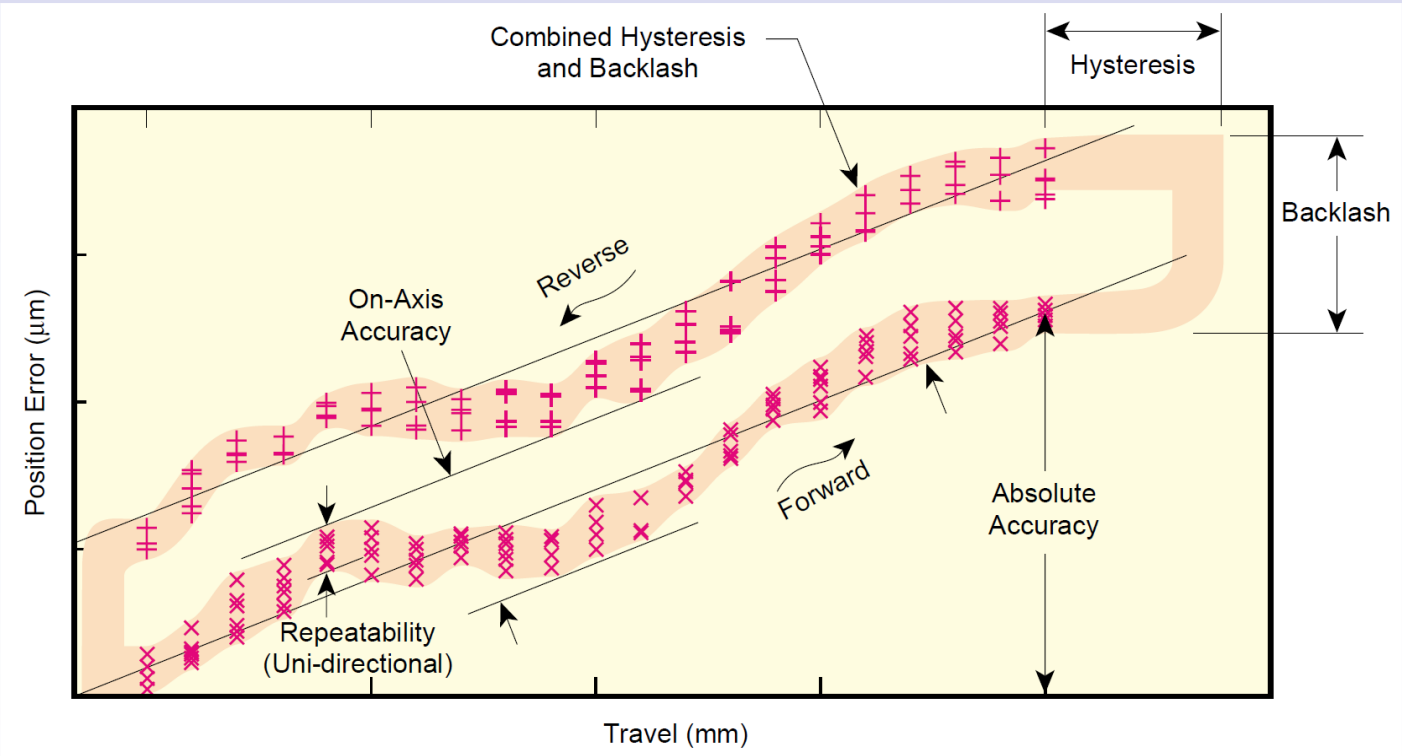
Important concepts

- **Resolution**: smallest increment that a motion system can detect
- **Minimum Increment Motion**: smallest motion than can be delivered
- **Accuracy**: maximum expected difference between ideal and actual



- **Absolute accuracy**;
- **On-Axis accuracy**;
- **Repeatability**;

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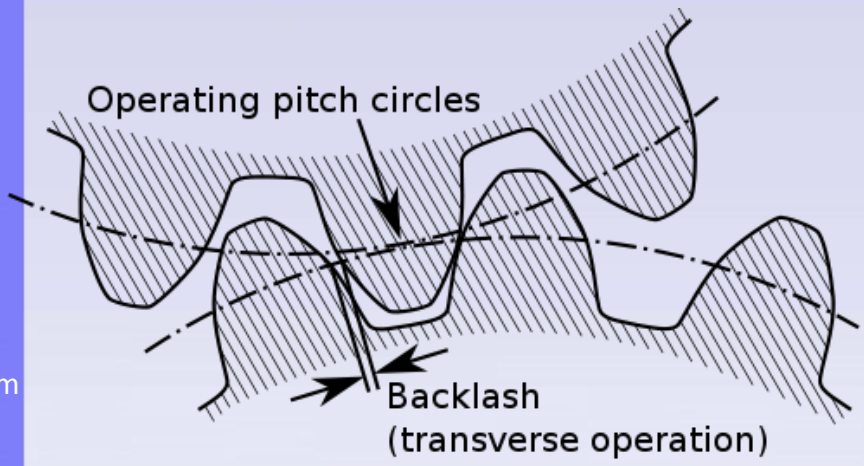

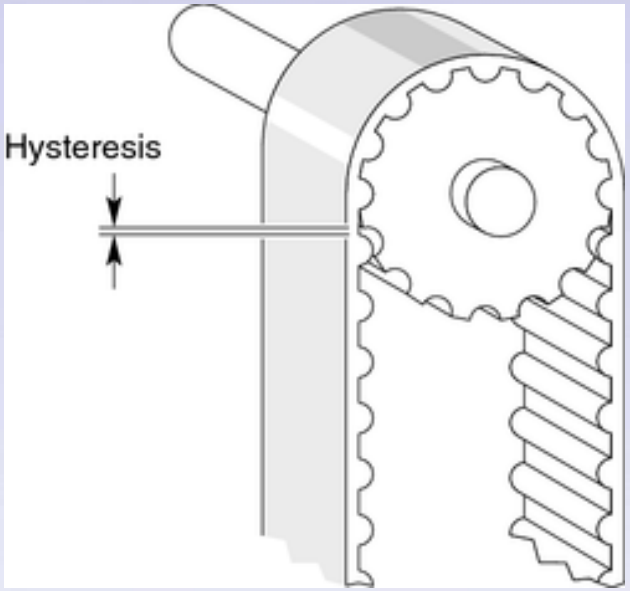

Backlash:

- The maximum magnitude of an input that produces no measurable output upon reversing direction.
- Caused by insufficient preloads or gaps between components.
- Relatively repeatable and can often be compensated

Hysteresis:

- The difference in the absolute position of an object for a given commanded input upon reversing direction.
- Caused by accumulated elastic forces.

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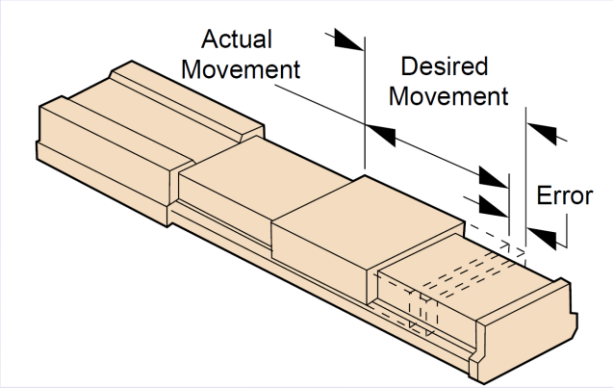
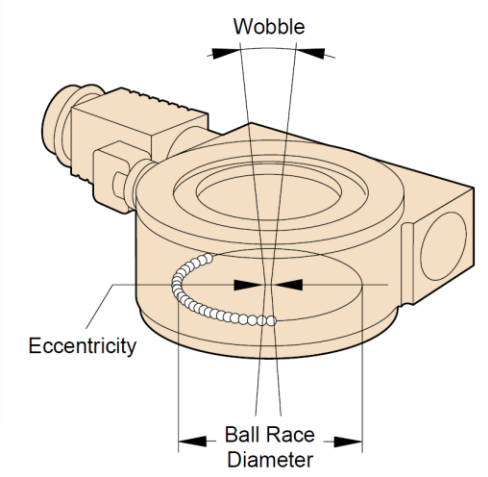
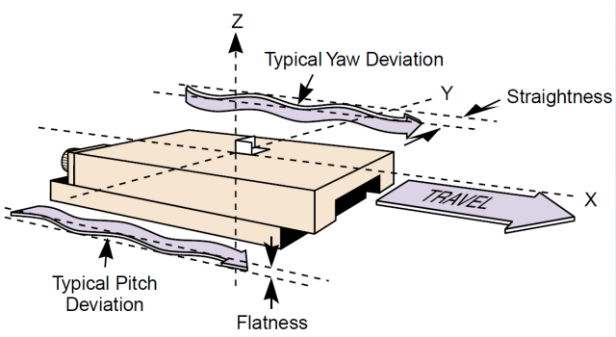


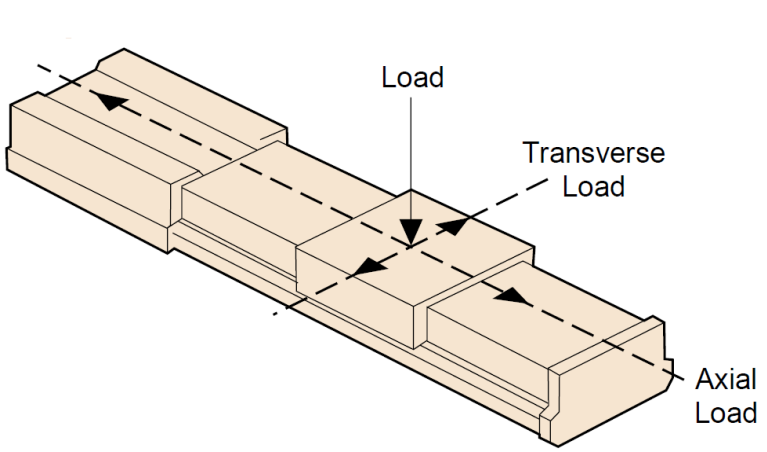
Linear Error



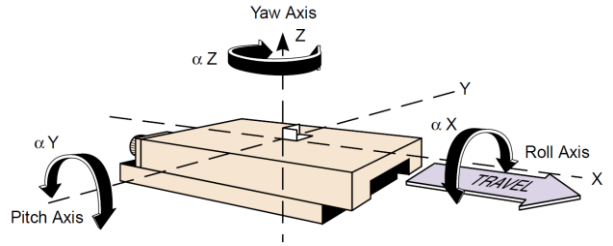
Eccentricity and Wobble



Runout: off-axis error



Load capacity: static and dynamic



Tilt and Wobble

Pictures courtesy: Newport

Motion system

- **Mechanical stage design**
  - **Materials**

Material properties
- Stiffness
- Thermal expansion
- Thermal conductivity
- Material instability (creep)

Common stage materials
- Aluminum: light
- Steel: strong
- Brass: resistance to creep
- Granite: hard, no internal stress

- **Bearings – reduce friction**

Ball bearing: point contact

Crossed roller bearing: line contact
Higher load capacity, stiffness, cost

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- **Mechanical stage design**
  - **Drive systems – converts motor motion to desired motion**

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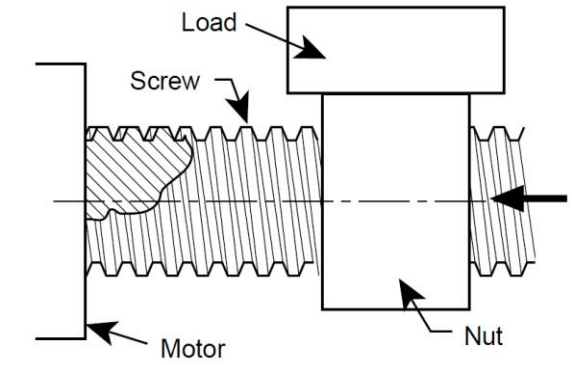

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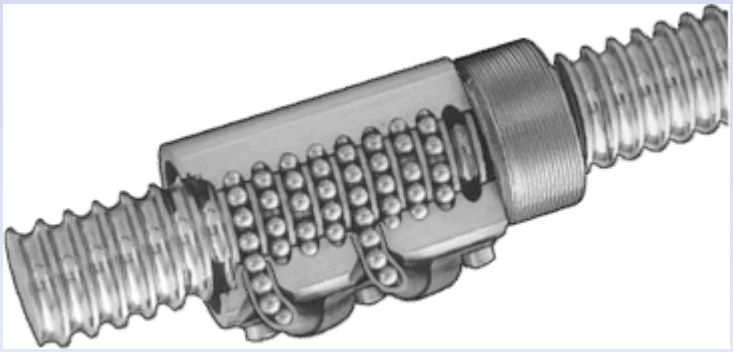
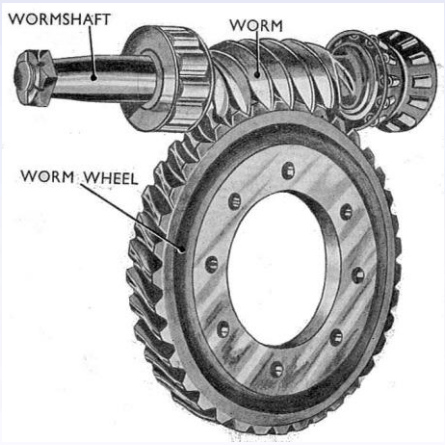
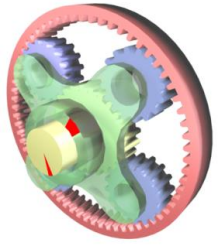
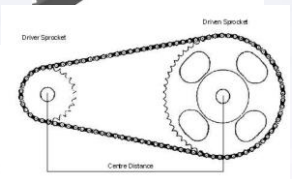


Torque ratio
Velocity ratio

Lead screw: low cost, self-lock Ball screw: higher efficiency and cost







Worm drive: rotation to rotation, high velocity ratio Gearbox: transmit motion

Belt, chain, sprocket drive

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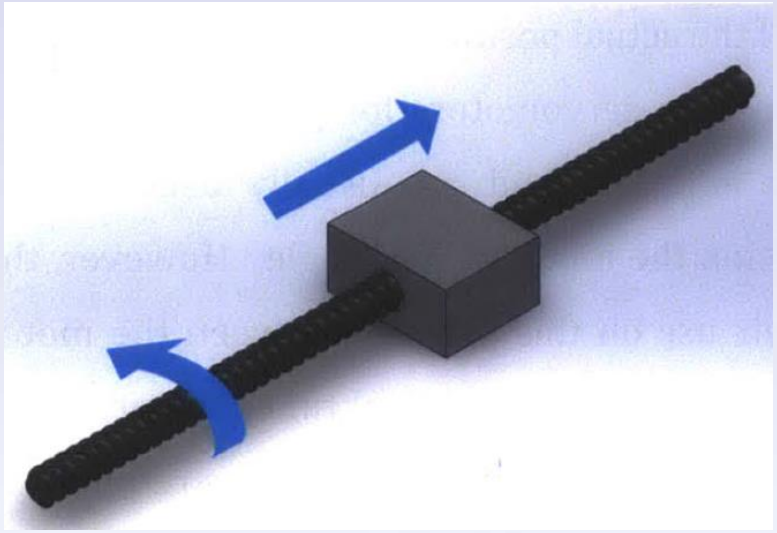
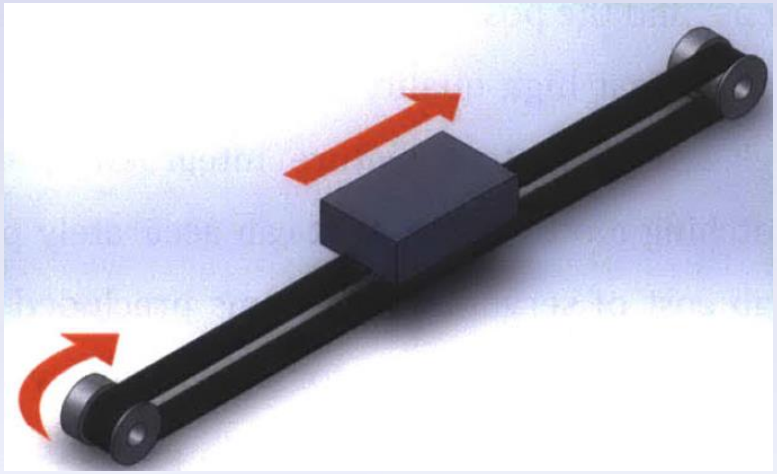
Mechanical stage design

Drive systems – converts motor motion to desired motion

Two common drive systems for low cost 3D printers



Screw drive: more stiff, slower, more accurate



Belt drive: less stiff and accurate (backlash and hysteresis, but much faster. Need to be properly tensioned for better performance

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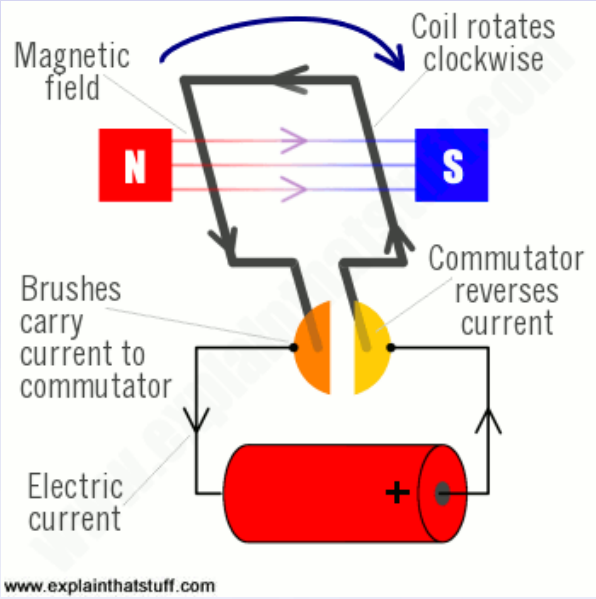
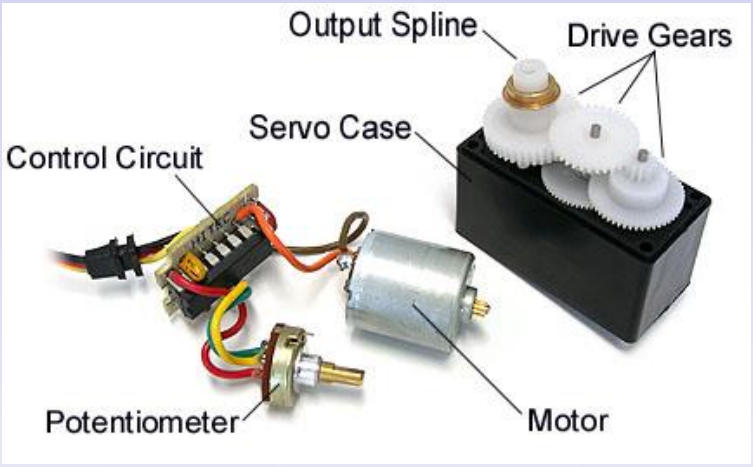
Motors – produce motion

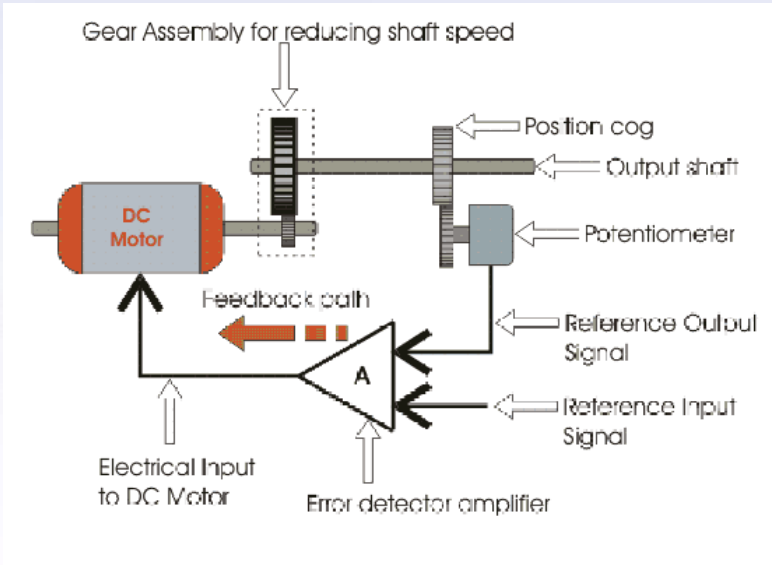


DC motor: continuous motion

A DC motor, can be commonly found in toys, apply DC voltage, rotate fast



Servo motor: high torque, slow, with gears



Feedback control with positiometer

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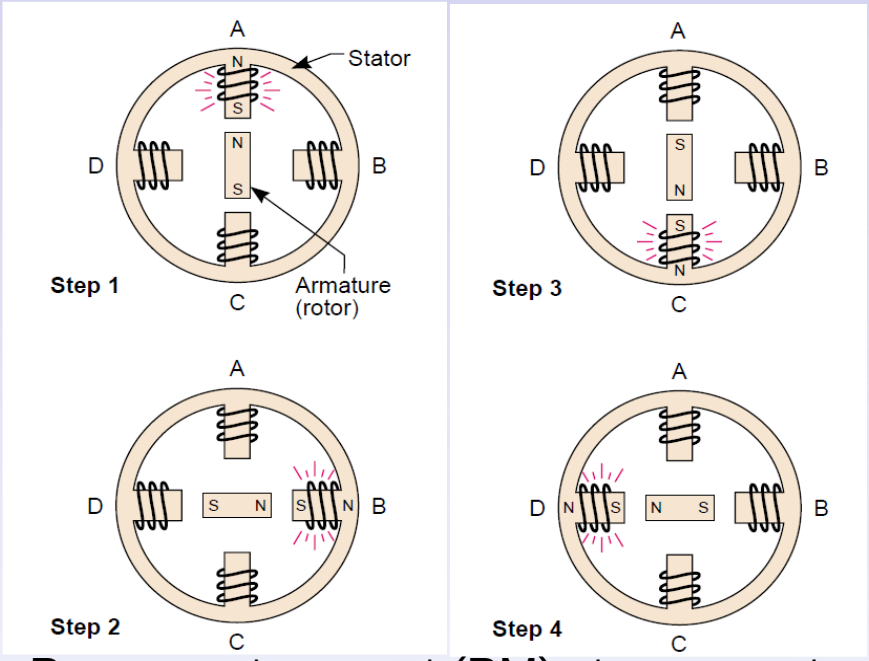
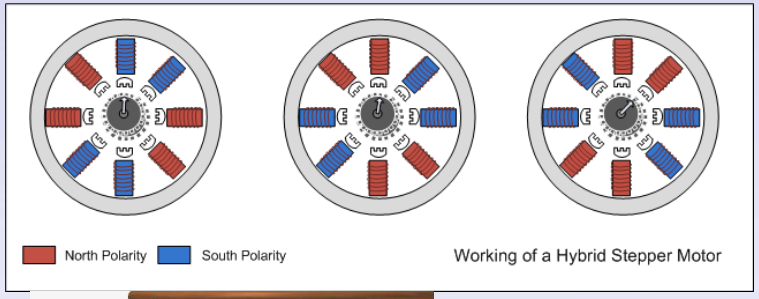
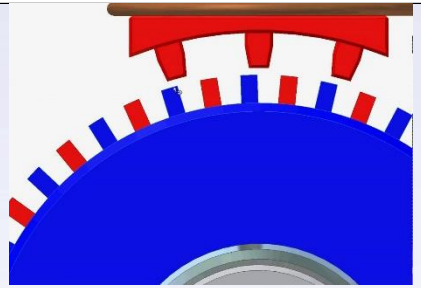
Motors – produce motion



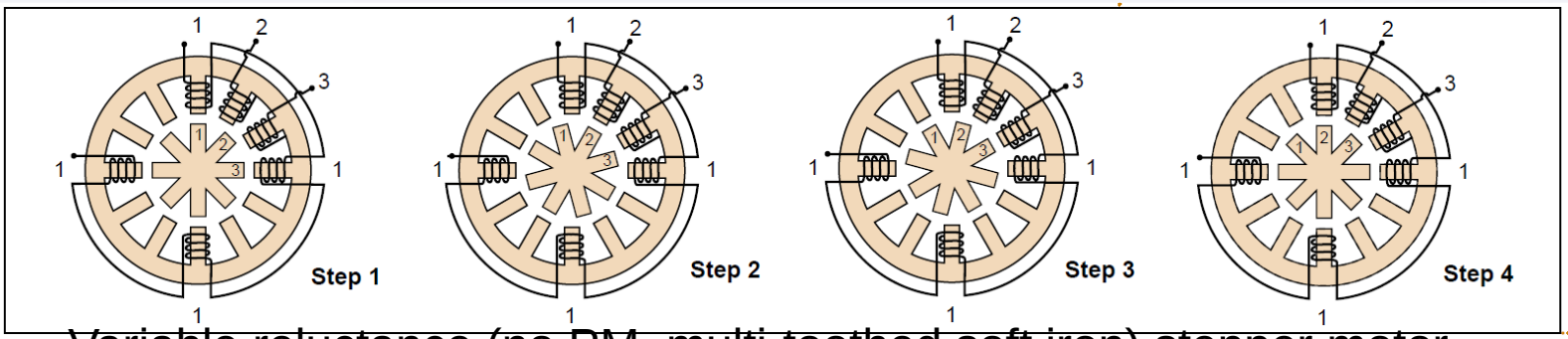
Permanent magnet (PM) stepper motor: stepped motion

Stepper motor





Hybrid stepper motor: highest performance



Variable reluctance (no PM, multi-toothed soft iron) stepper motor

Motion system

Motors – produce motion

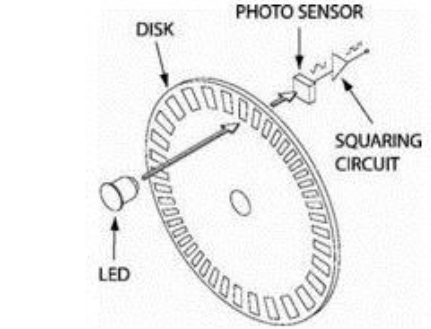
	DC Motor	Servo Motor	Stepper Motor
Motion and torque	Very fast, continuous rotation, low torque	Fast, high torque, accurate position feedback control	Very high torque at low speed, stepped motion
Control	Very easy, connect with DC voltage	Difficult to set up with PWM tuning	Easy, counting steps for position control
Application	Car wheels, fans, etc.	robotic arm, rudder control	Position control apps, 3D printers
Pros	Very cheap, very easy to find and use	Very capable and high power, high torque and speed	Accurate position control, easy to find and use, high torque
Cons	Low torque, open loop, no position control	Expensive, difficult to find and use	Low torque at high speed, may skip steps at high load, may vibrate & resonate

Motion system

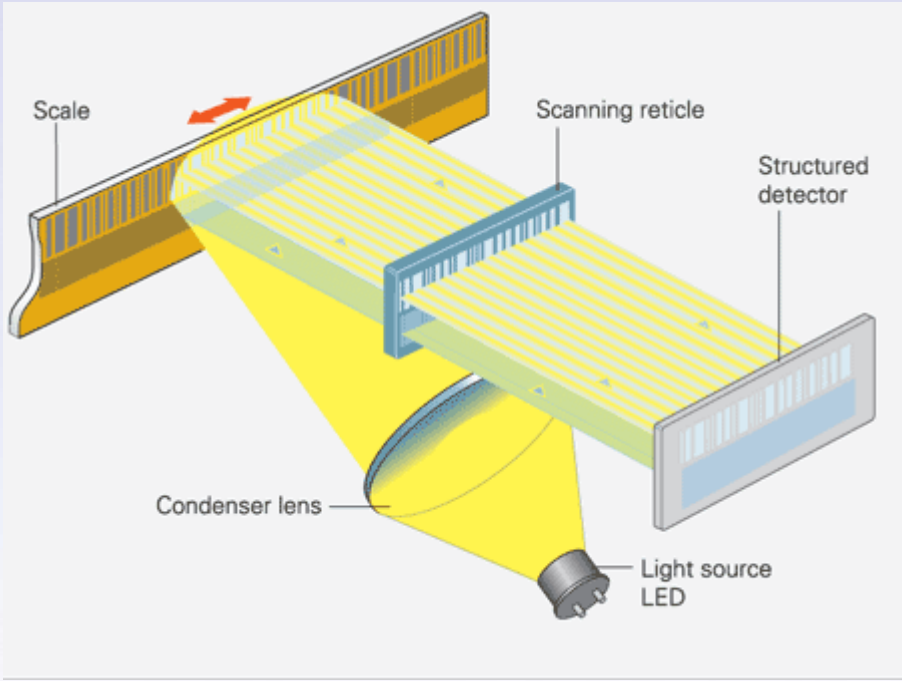
Motion feedback control

Principle: direct measurement BETTER than indirect measurement

- **Encoders for position**



Optical rotary encoder



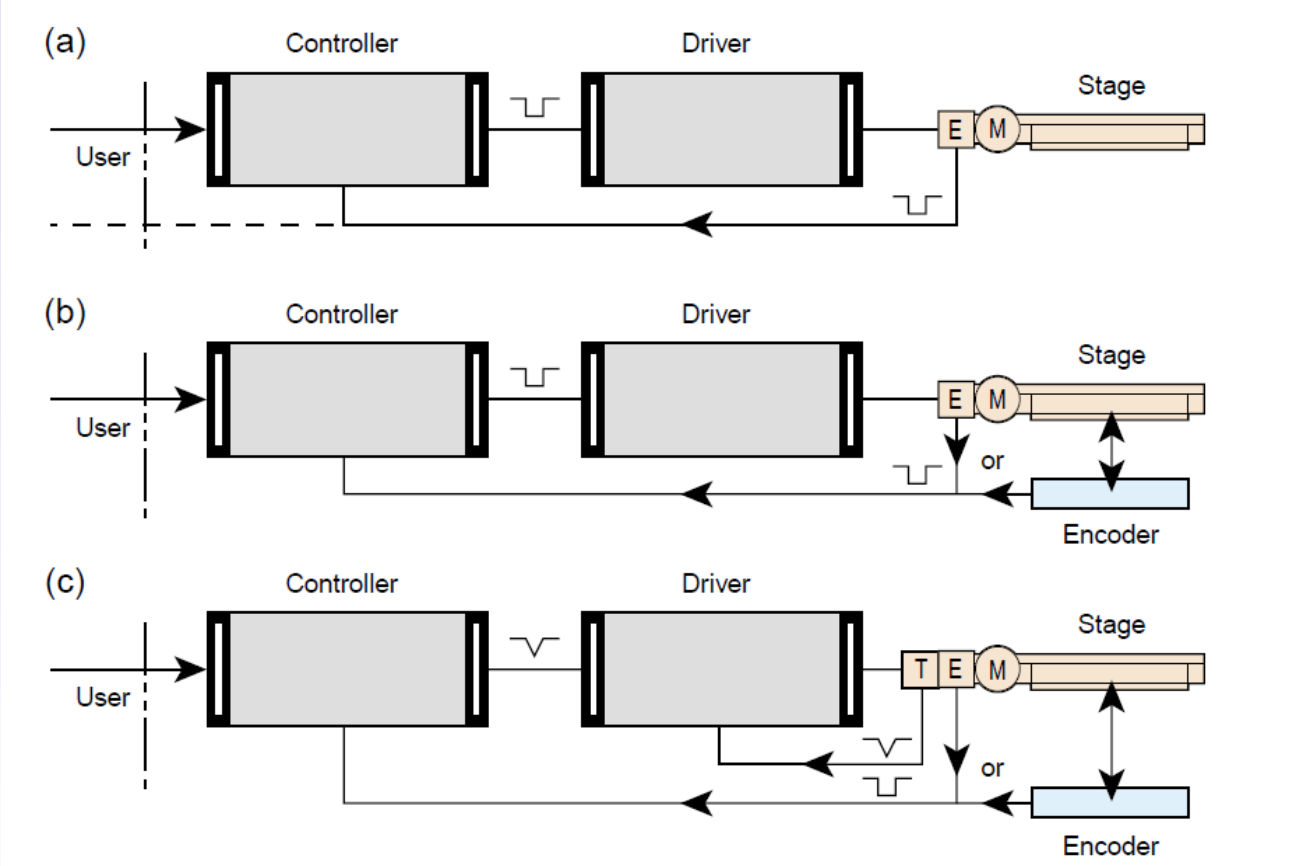
Optical linear encoder

- **Optical VS magnetic: environment**
- **Incremental VS absolute: cost, restart**

Motion system

Motion feedback control

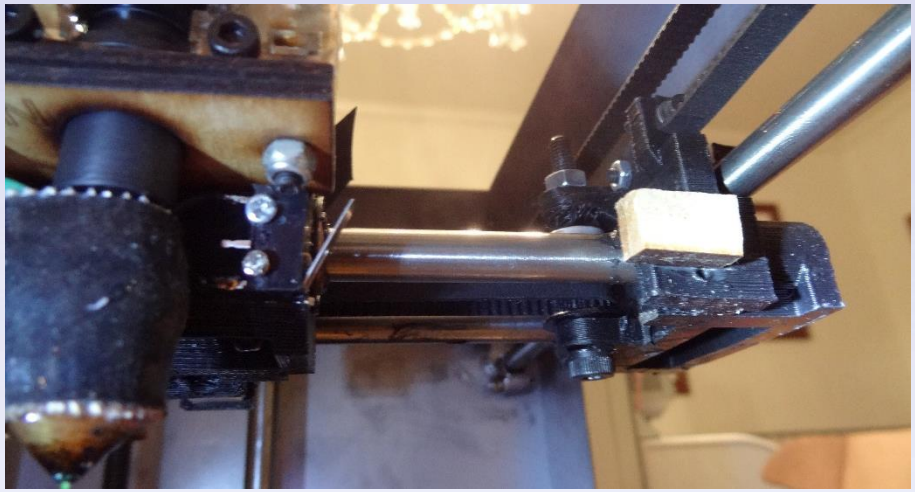
Tachometer for velocity



(a). Indirect rotary encoder; (b). Direct linear encoder; (c). Direct linear encoder for position and tachometer for velocity

Motion system

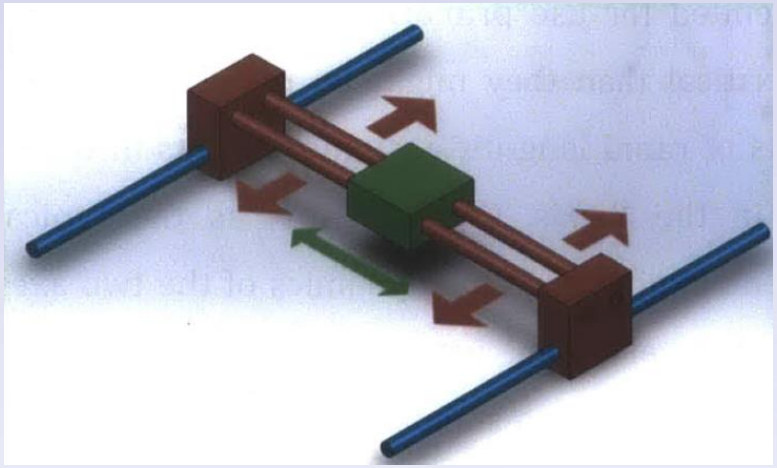
- Motion feedback control
  - Limit switches



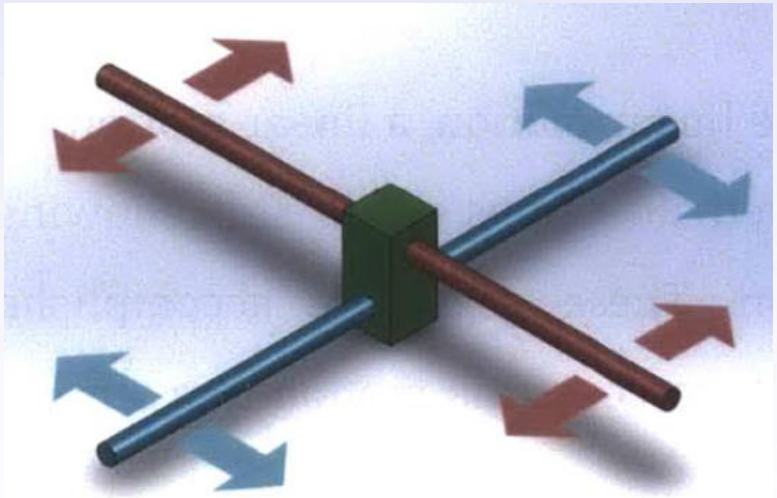
Limit Switches (can be mechanical or optical)

Motion system

Arrangement of axes



Serial axes arrangement



Crossed axes arrangement

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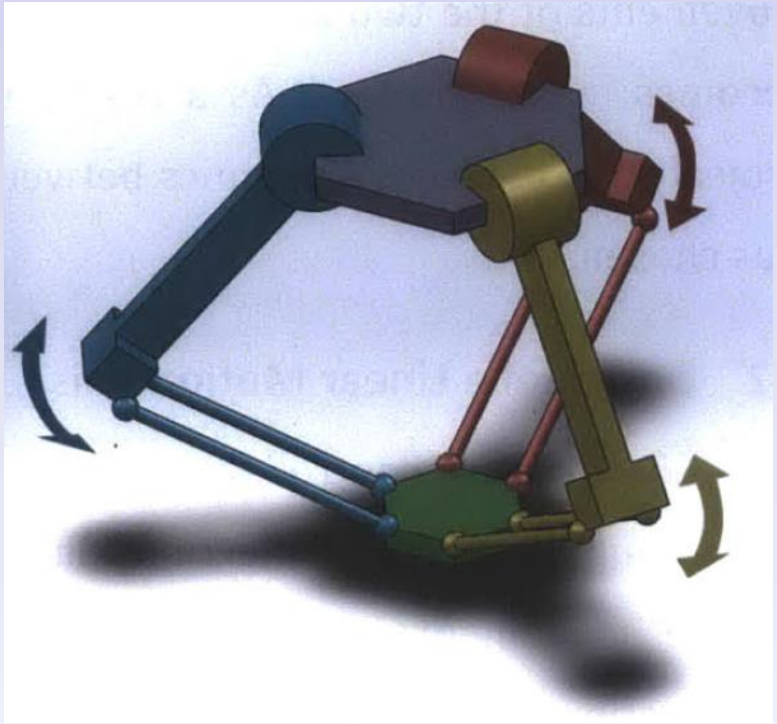


Delta robot configuration

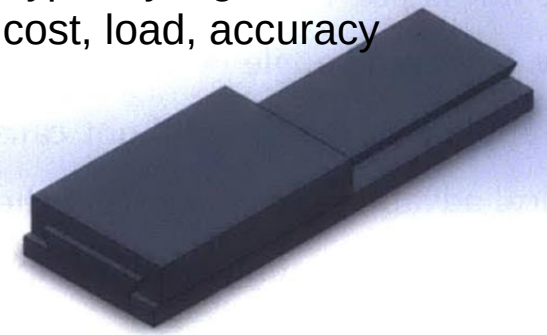
Factors

- **Moving mass (load)**
- **Space**
- **Motion symmetry**

Motion system

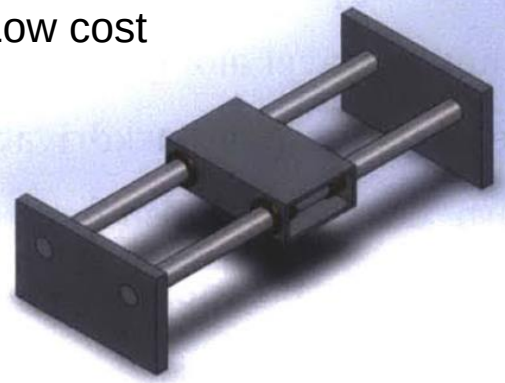
Linear guides – need to constrain 5 DOFs

Typically higher friction, cost, load, accuracy



Dovetail rail

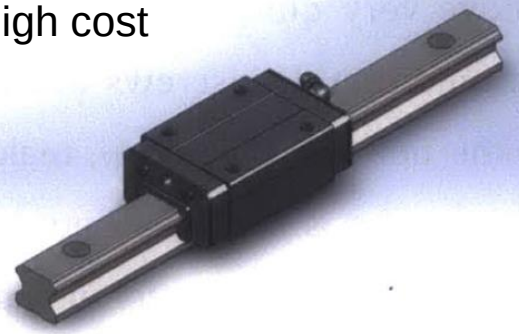
Need to avoid over-constrain
Low cost



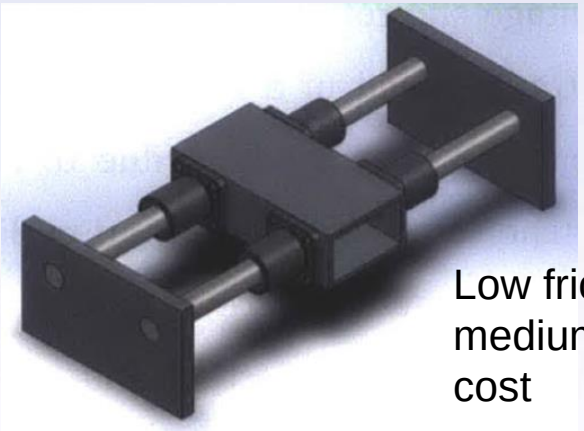
Twin round rail with bushing

- **Friction (can use ball or roller)**
- **Cost (difficulty of mating and manufacturing)**
- **Load and accuracy**

High accuracy and low friction
High cost



Dovetail with bearings



Low friction
medium load and cost

Twin-rail with ball bearings

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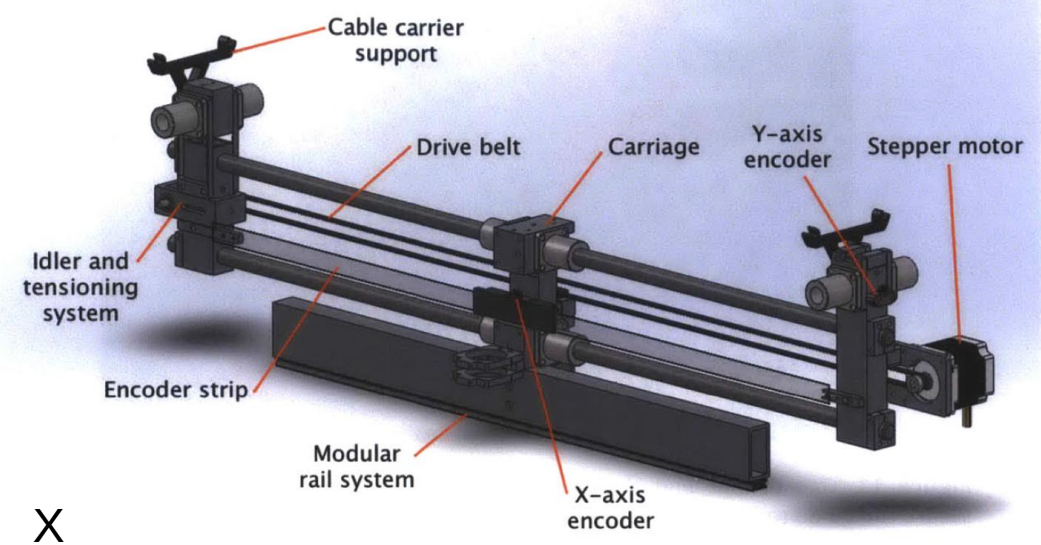
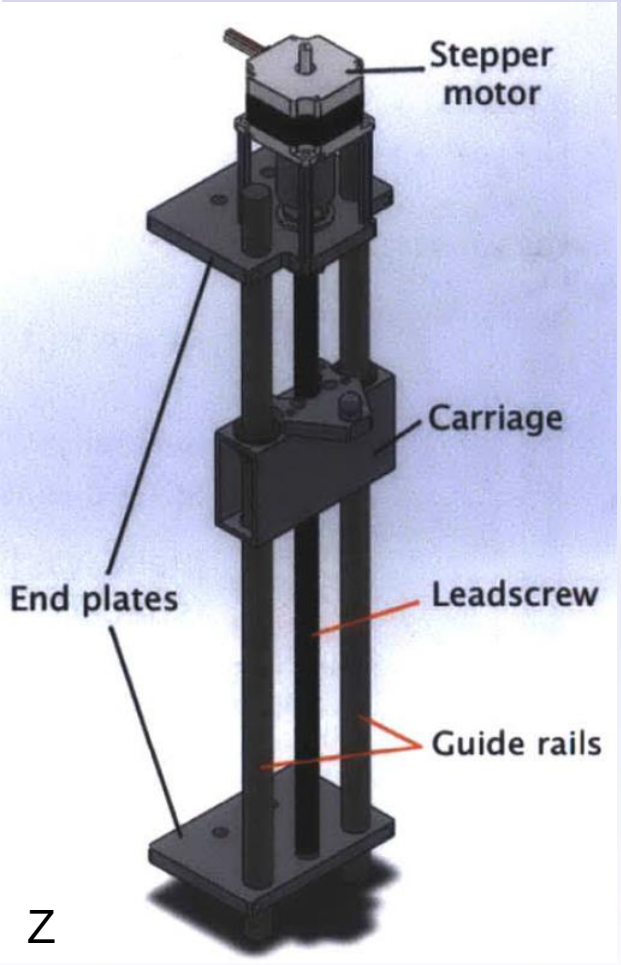
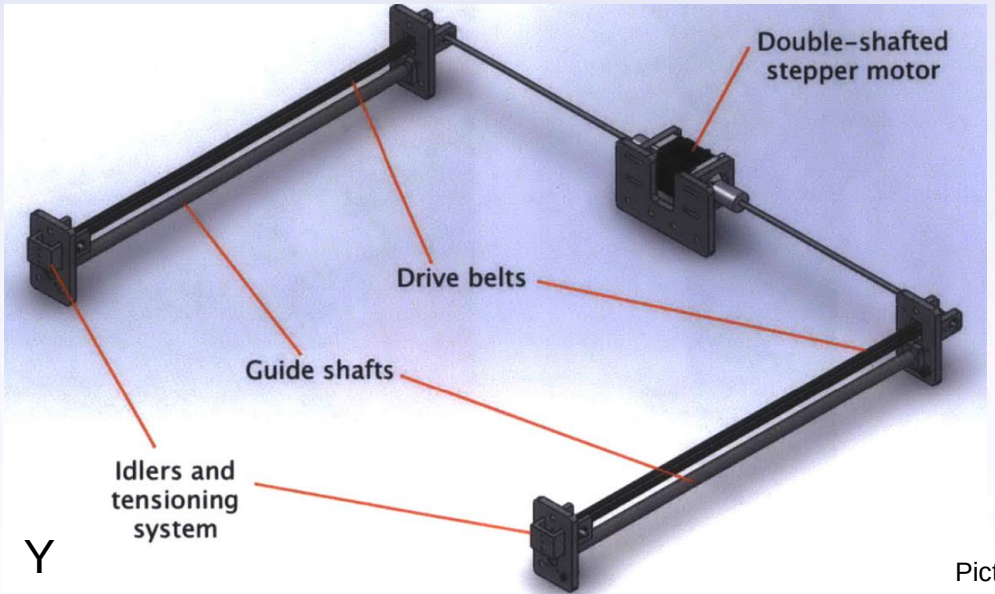
Example design of XYZ axes







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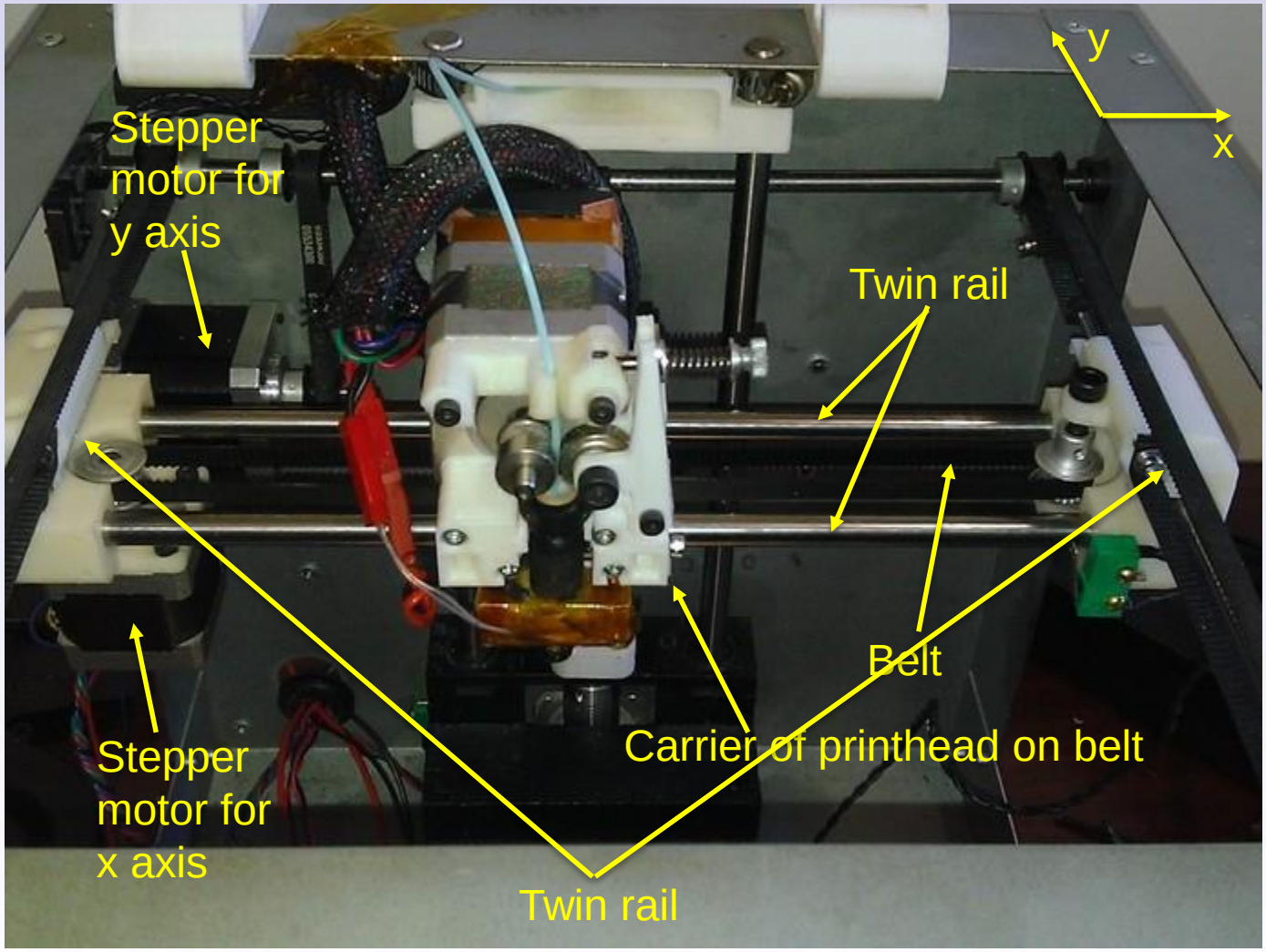
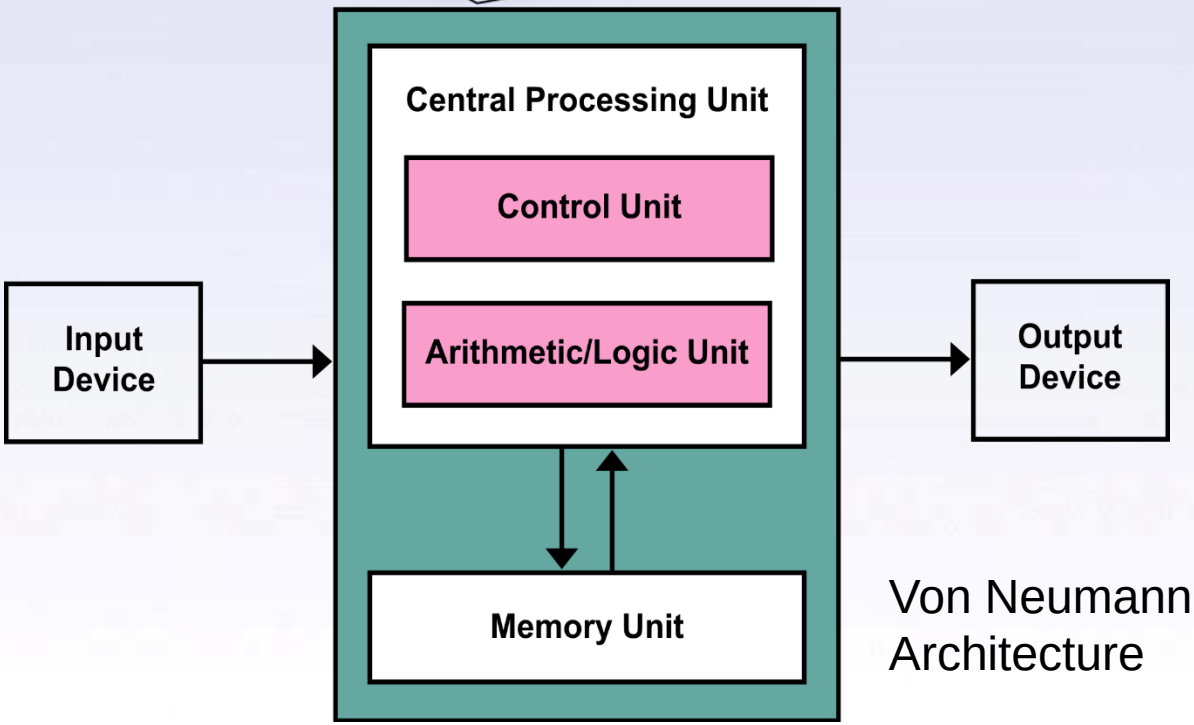
Example of mechanical stage in Solidoodle



Electronic system

- Digital fabrication → Digital control



Von Neumann Architecture

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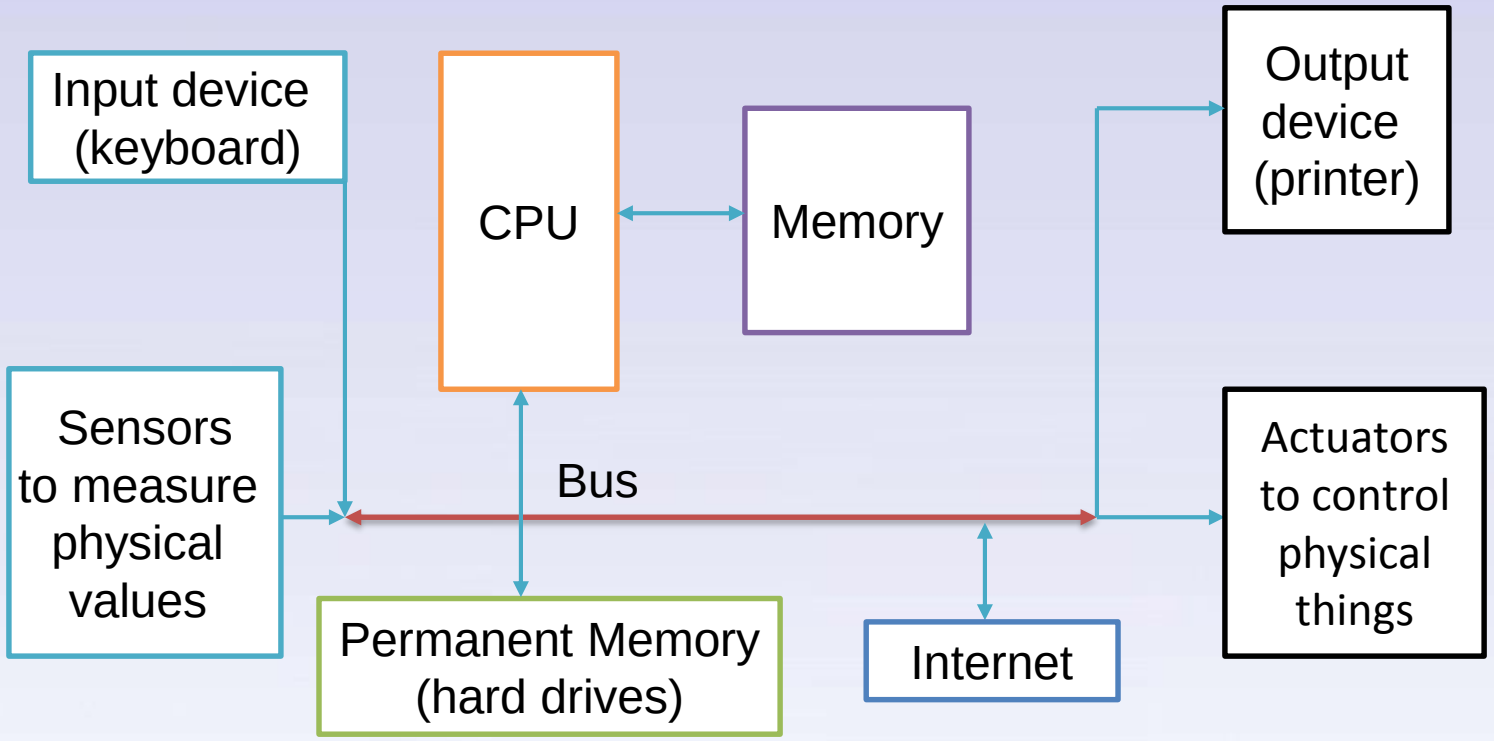

One problem

- **CPU and the physical world don't speak the same language (digital VS analogue; discrete VS continuous)**

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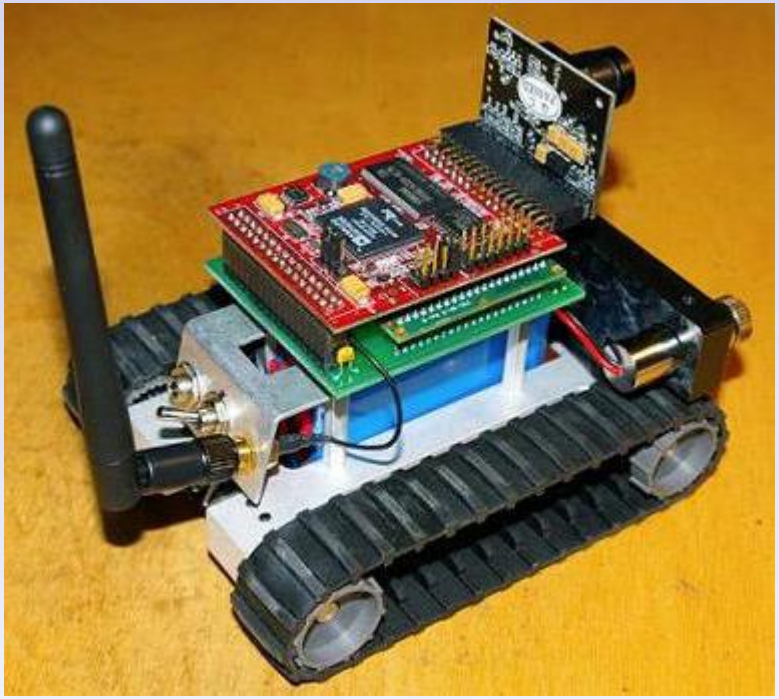

Computers are too big and heavy

Not enough power from computer

More problems

- **Mobility**
- **Insufficient power output**

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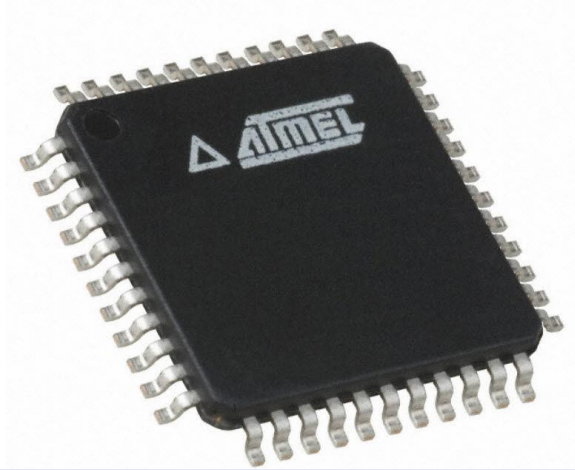
Solution – Embedded system



Microcontroller: a small computer on a single integrated circuit containing a processor core, memory, and programmable I/O peripherals, and even DACs for some

ARM Cortex-M cores
Atmel AVR (8-bit), AVR32 (32-bit), and AT91SAM (32-bit)
Intel 8051
STMicroelectronics STM8 (8-bit), ST10 (16-bit) and STM32 (32-bit)
Texas Instruments TI MSP430 (16-bit) C2000 (32-bit)
Toshiba TLCS-870 (8-bit/16-bit).
More see: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_common_microcontrollers

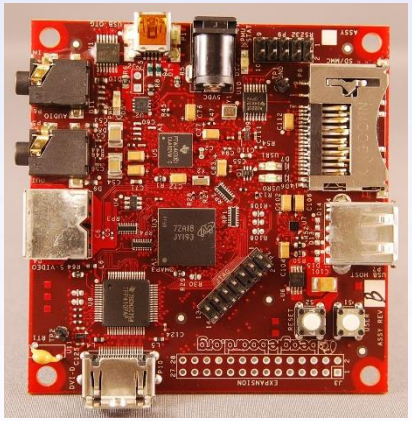
- **Solve the mobility issue by high integration**
- **For some with DAC, solve the D to A issue**

Electronic system

- **Solution – Embedded system**
  - **Still need circuit board to connect – single board computer**

Arduino board (~10s MHz): No OS, but very easy, huge user base

Raspberry Pi (~100s MHz): more powerful, can run Linux, more complex



BeagleBoard(~10s MHz): by TI

And many others. Comparison see: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comparison_of_single-board_computers

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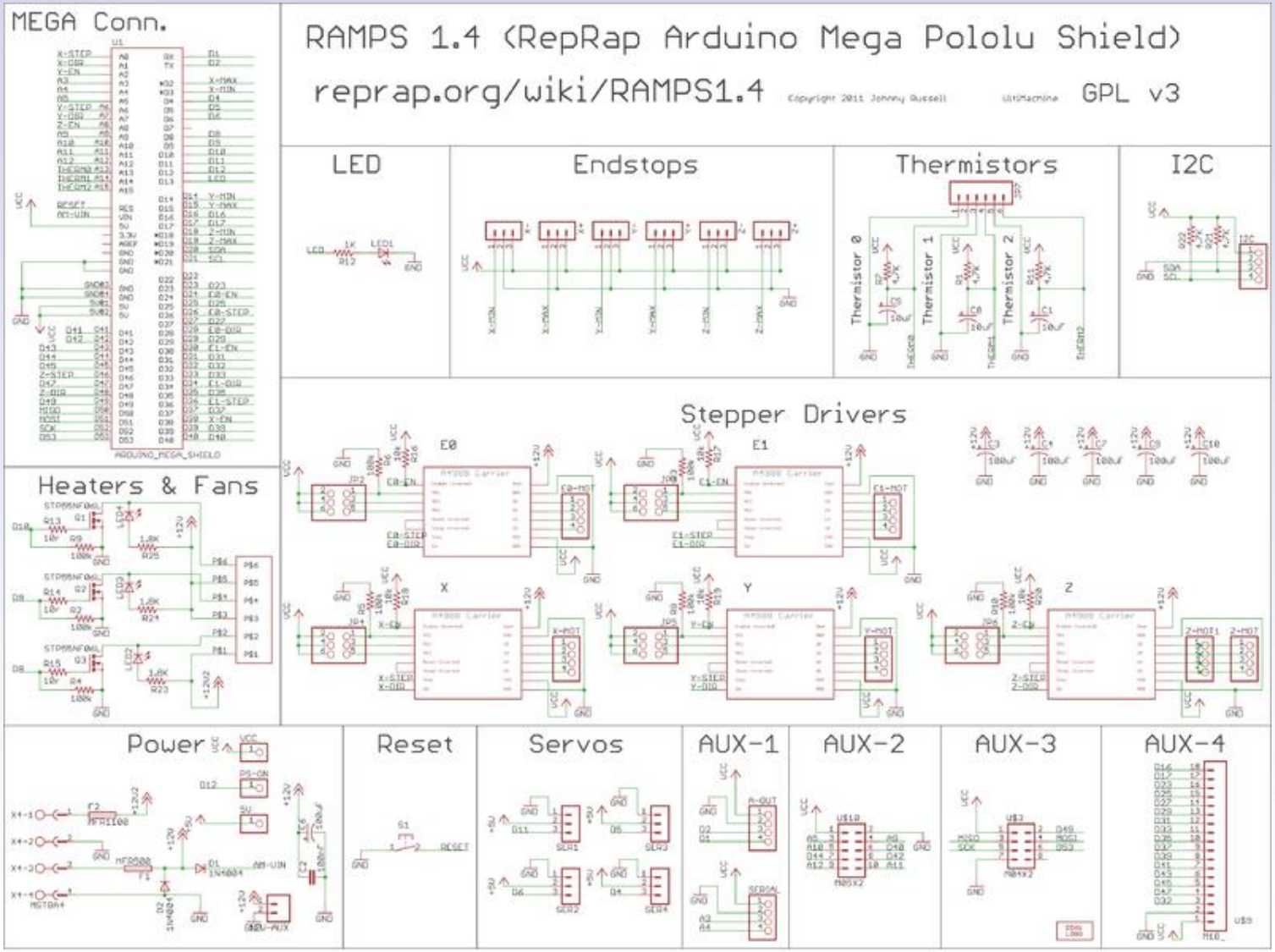
	Devices			
Platform	**Arduino**	**Propeller**	**Beagle Board**	**Raspberry Pi**
Variant	Uno	PropStick	Rev. C4	Model-B
Software				
Operating System	-	-	Android, Linux, Windows CE, RISC OS	Linux, RISC OS
Dev. Envrionments / Toolkits	Arduino IDE, Eclipse	Propeller/Spin	Eclipse, Android ADK, Scratchbox	OpenEmbedded, QEMU, Scratchbox, Eclipse
Programming Language	Wiring-based (~C++)	Spin / Propeller Assembly	Python, C, etc.	Python, C, possibly BASIC
Architecture	8Bit	32Bit	32Bit	32Bit
Hardware				
Processor	ATMEGA328	P8X32A-M44	TI DM3730 (ARM)	BCM2835 (ARM)
Speed	16Mhz	20kHz/12Mhz (Internal) or 4-8Mhz external	720Mhz	700Mhz
RAM	2Kbyte	32Kbyte	256MB	256MB
ROM	32Kbyte	32Kbyte	256MB Flash	SD
I/O (various protocols)	14	32	22 (on expansion header)	8
ADC	6	-	internally used	internally used
USB	-	-	1 x 2.0	2 x 2.0
Audio	-	-	Stereo In/Out	Stereo Out, In w/ USB mic
Video	-	VGA, NTSC or PAL	DVI-D, S-Video	HDMI, NTSC or PAL
Misc.	Many shields available for added capability	8 processors for parallel tasking	SD/MMC, RS-232, JTAG, USB OTG, LCD	SD, 10/100 Ethernet, JTAG
Cost				
	$29.95	$49.99	$199.95	$35.00

Electronic system

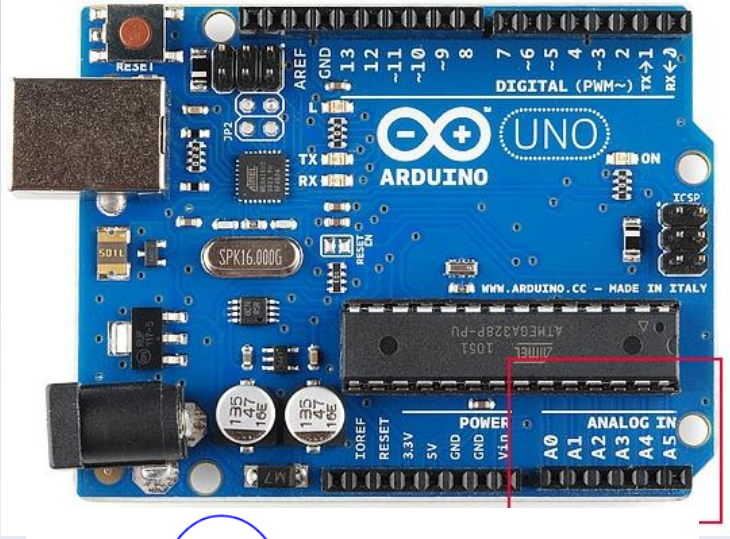
- **Solution – Embedded system**
  - **Extended capability – shields (e.g., RAMPs for RepRap 3D printer)**

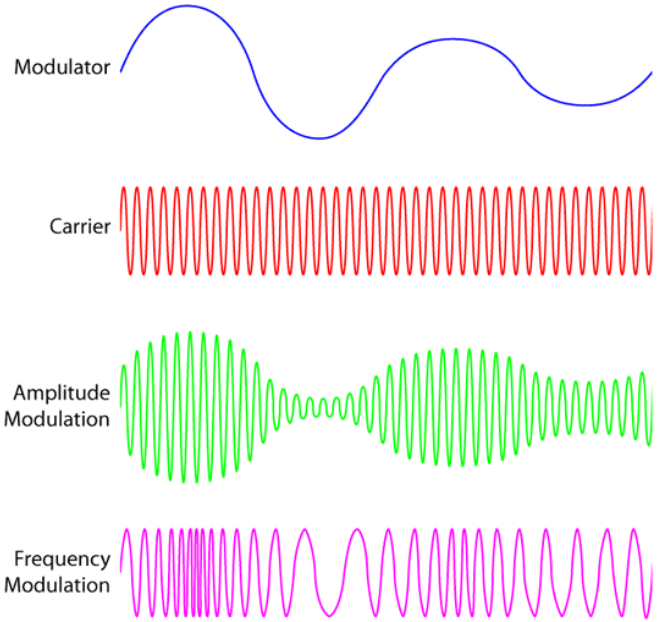


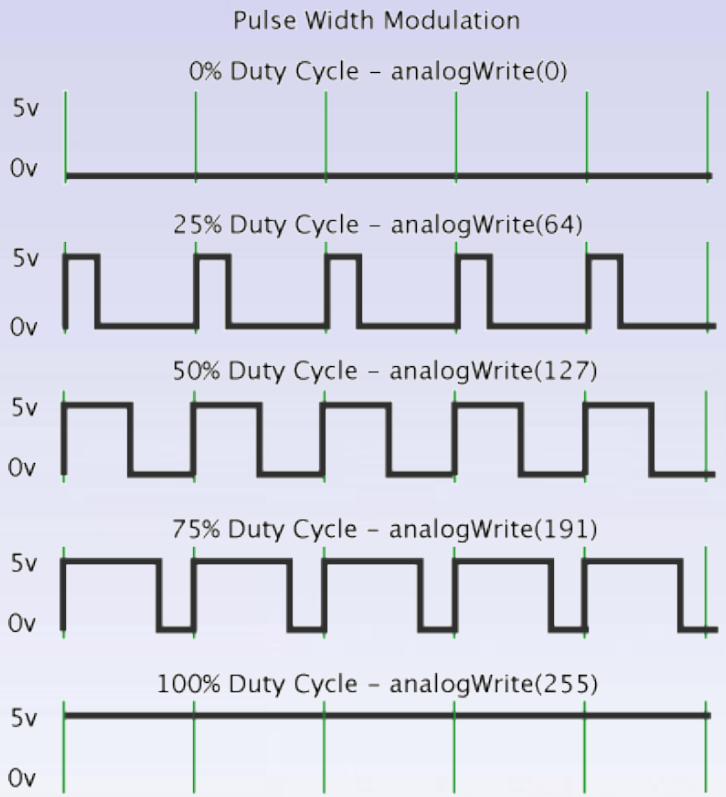
Electronic system

Solution – Embedded system

Digital Analogue Converter (DACs)







Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) VS AM or FM

The Voltage/Operating Voltage (e.g., 5V) ratio is modulated to the percentage of ON time in a duty cycle

Electronic system

Solution – Embedded system

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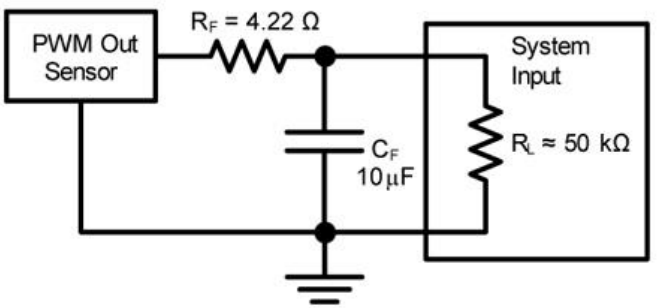
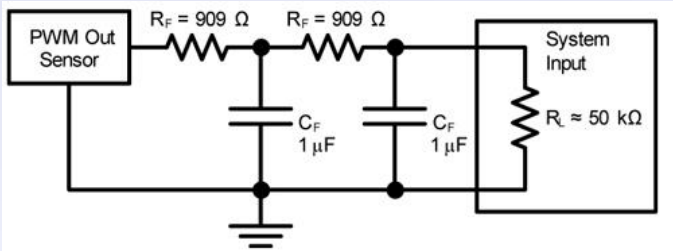


First order low pass filter



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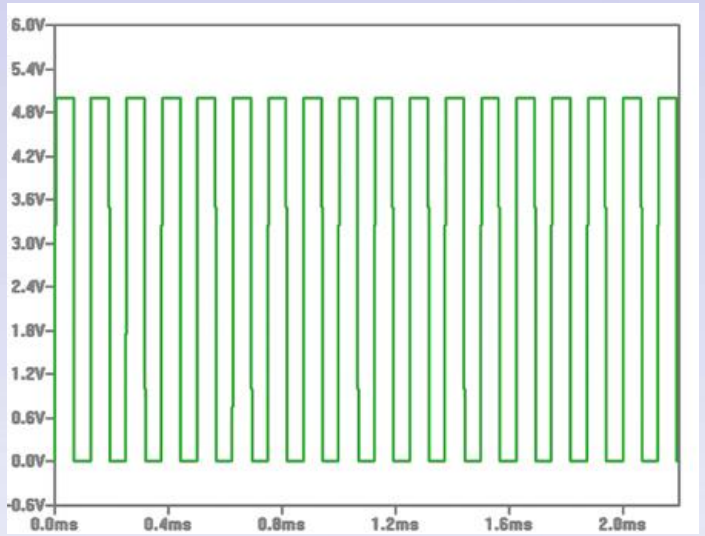
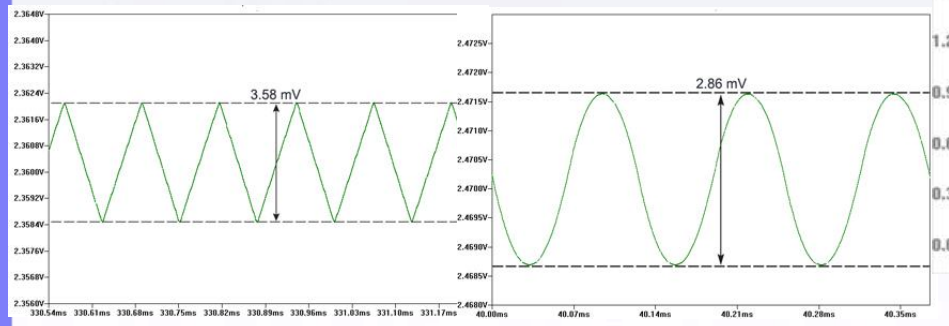


PWM signal

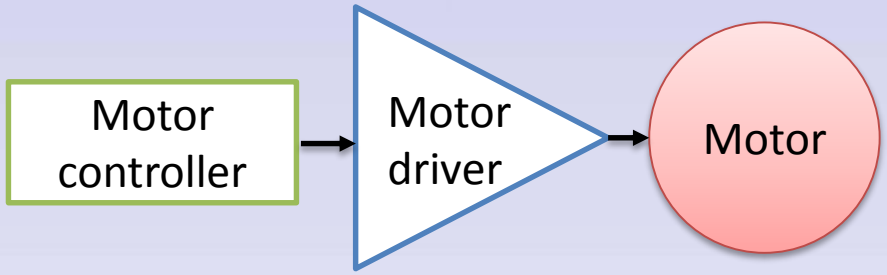
Constant voltage analog signal

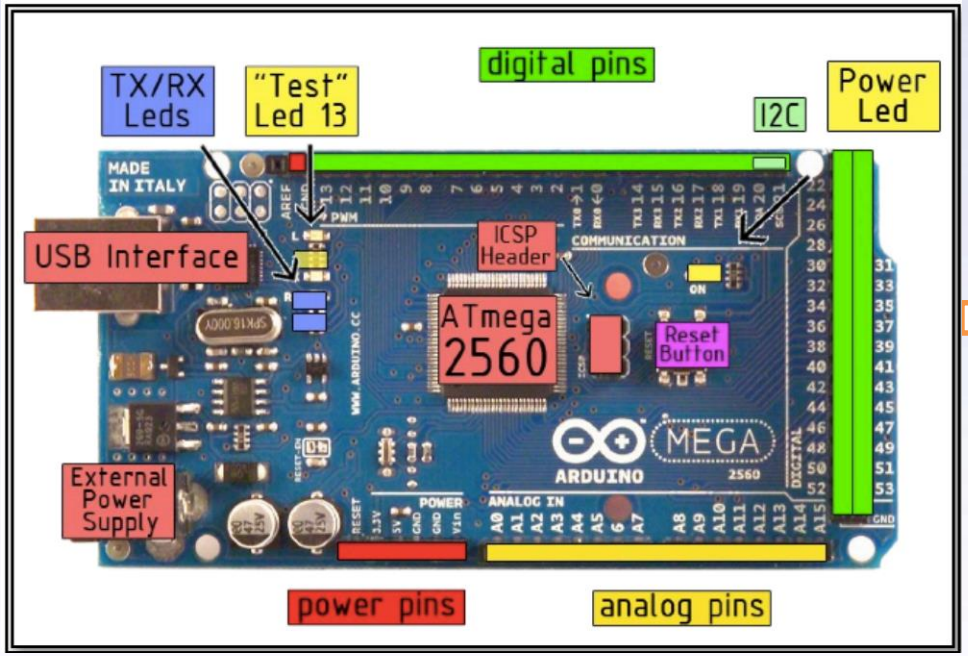


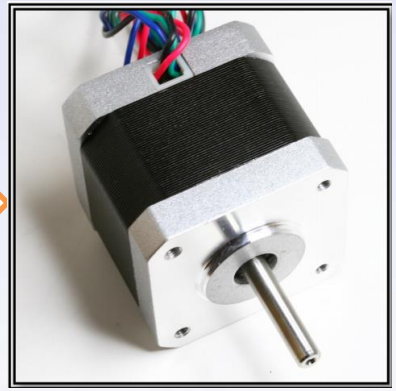
Ripple comparison between 1st and 2nd order LPF

Electronic system

- **Objective – drive the motors**
  - **Motor control**
    - **Start / Stop**
    - **Speed**
    - **Torque**
    - **Position**





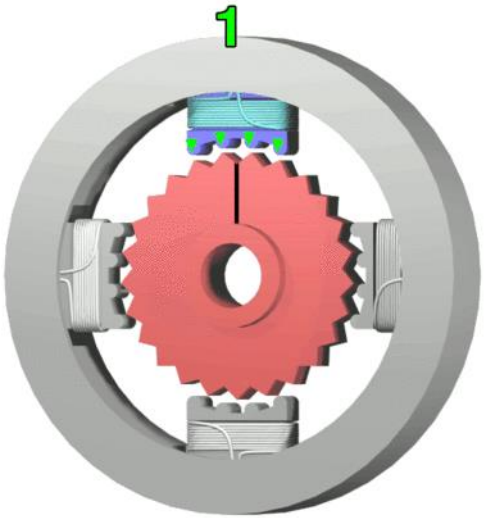


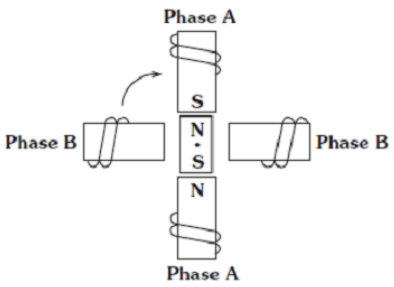
Stepper motor
Typically 3 – 5V;
1 – 1.5A

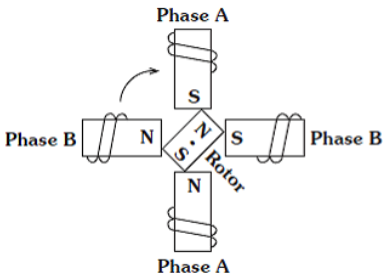
Motor controller with PWM signal output: Arduino
Output: 5V, <40mA

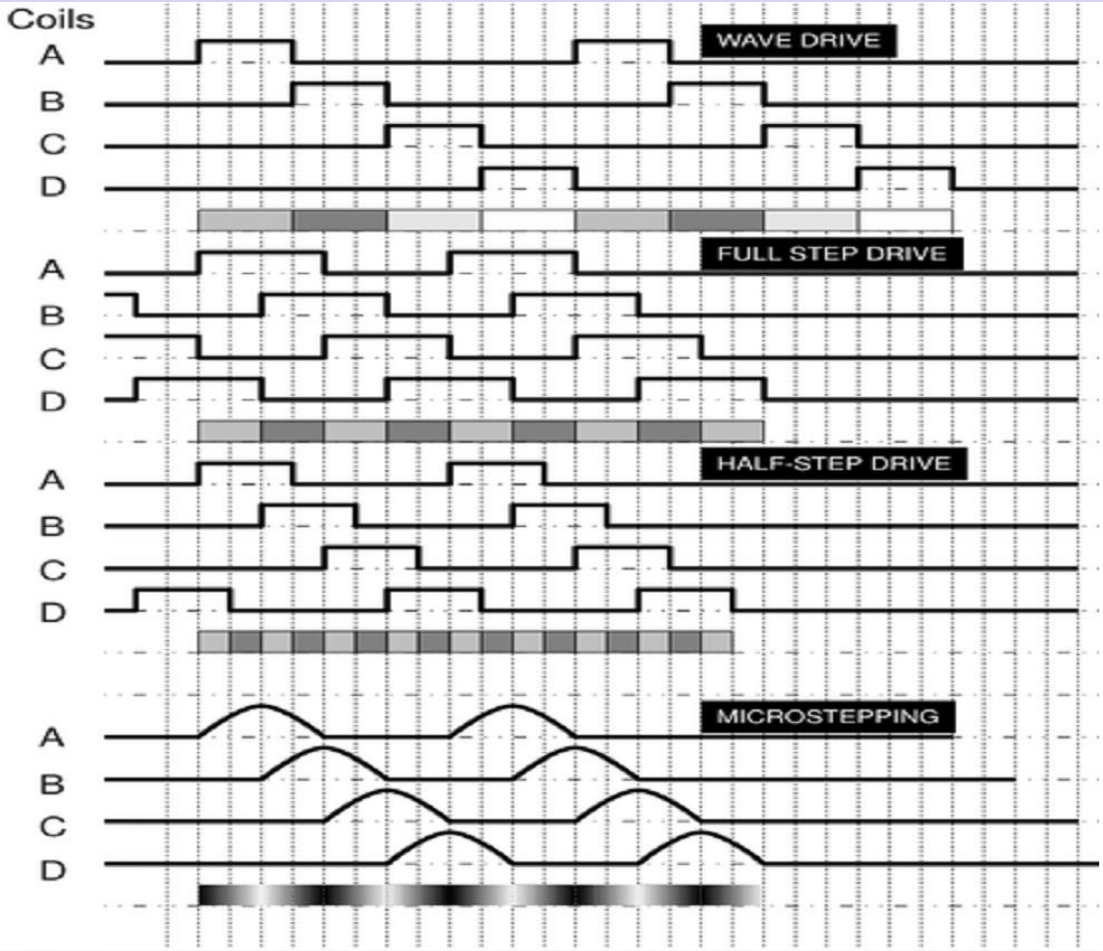
Electronic system

Stepper motor-drive modes





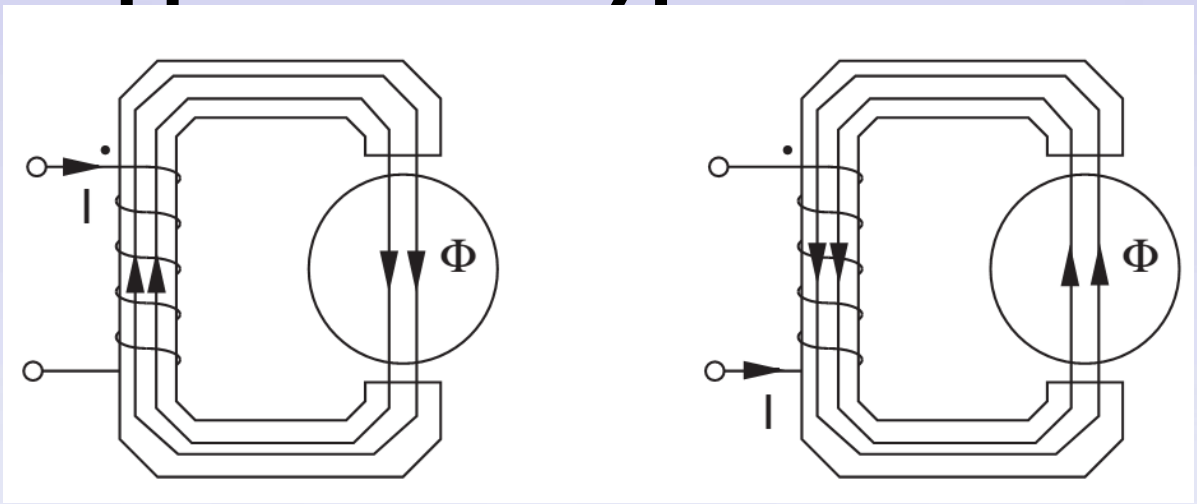




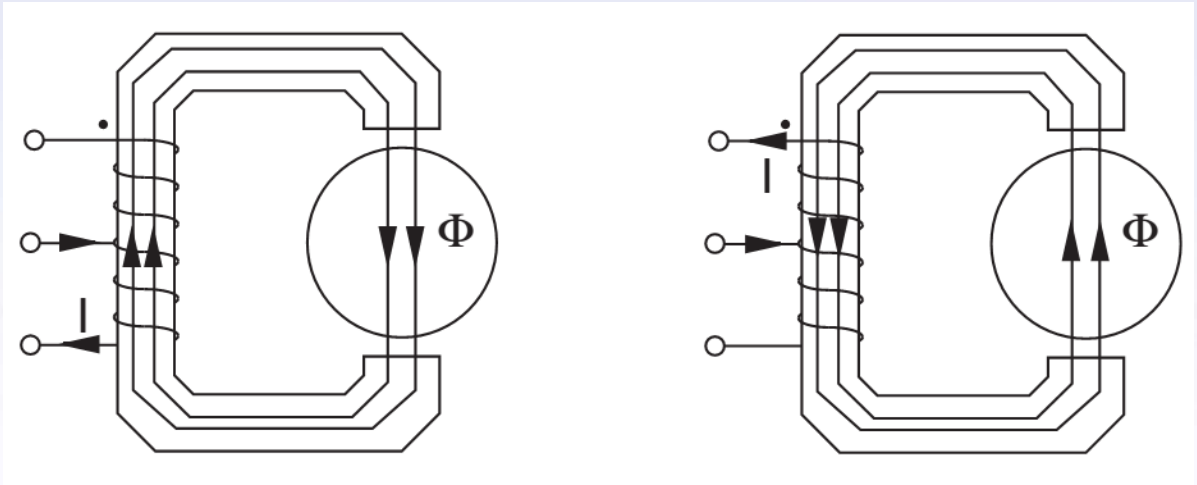
Drive modes: wave, full-step, half-step, microstepping
Vibration issue.

Electronic system

Stepper motor - types



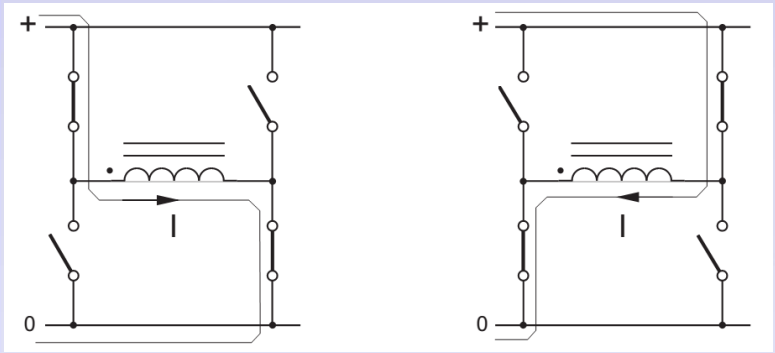
Bipolar – without center tap, larger torque



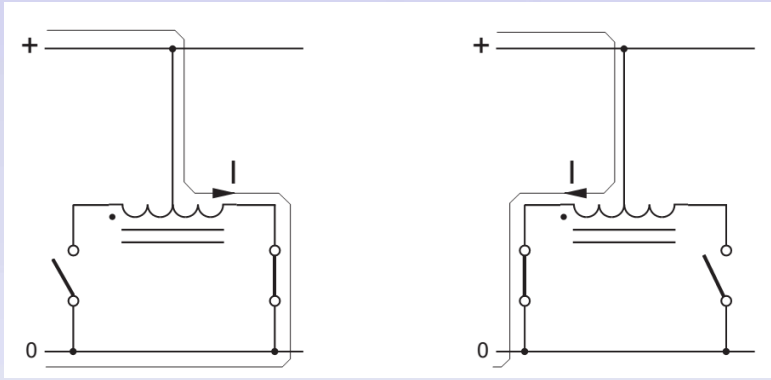
Unipolar – with center tap, only half of the coil is used to produce force, less power loss

Electronic system

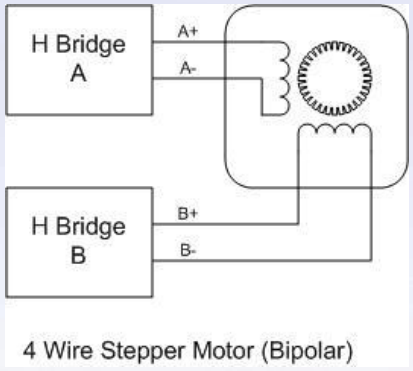
Stepper motor - types



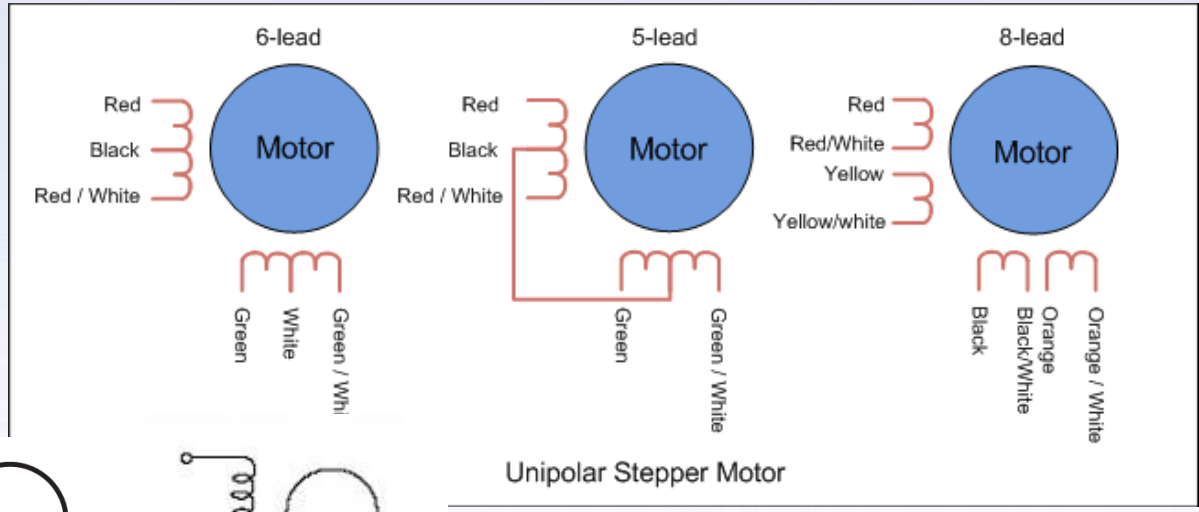
Bipolar drive circuit – H-bridge, more complicated, 4 switches per phase



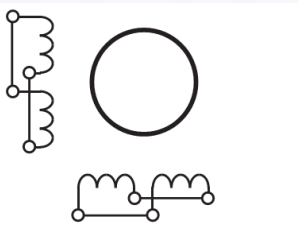
Unipolar drive circuit – 2 switches per phase



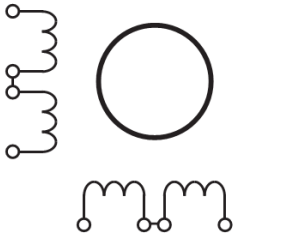
4 Wire Stepper Motor (Bipolar)



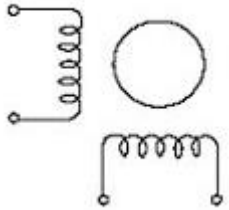
Unipolar Stepper Motor



Bipolar, parallel connection
4 windings / 8 leads



Bipolar, series connection
4 windings / 8 leads

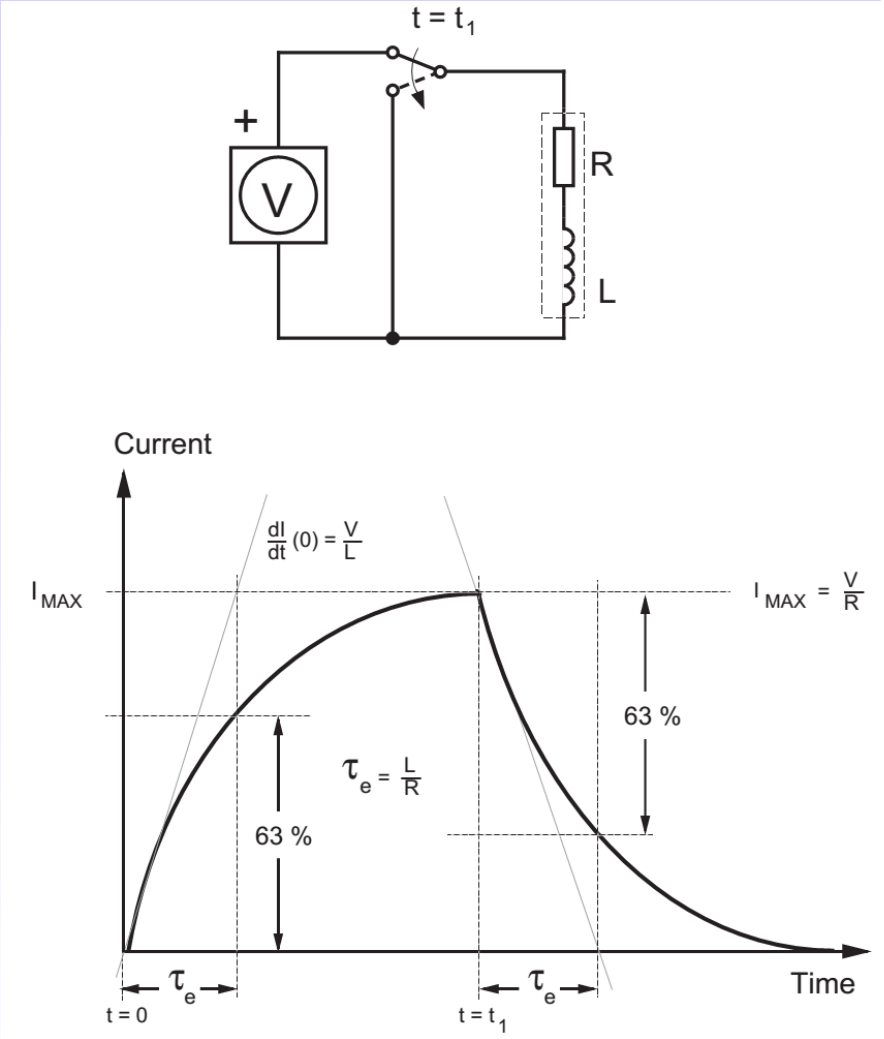


Bipolar-single winding 4 leads

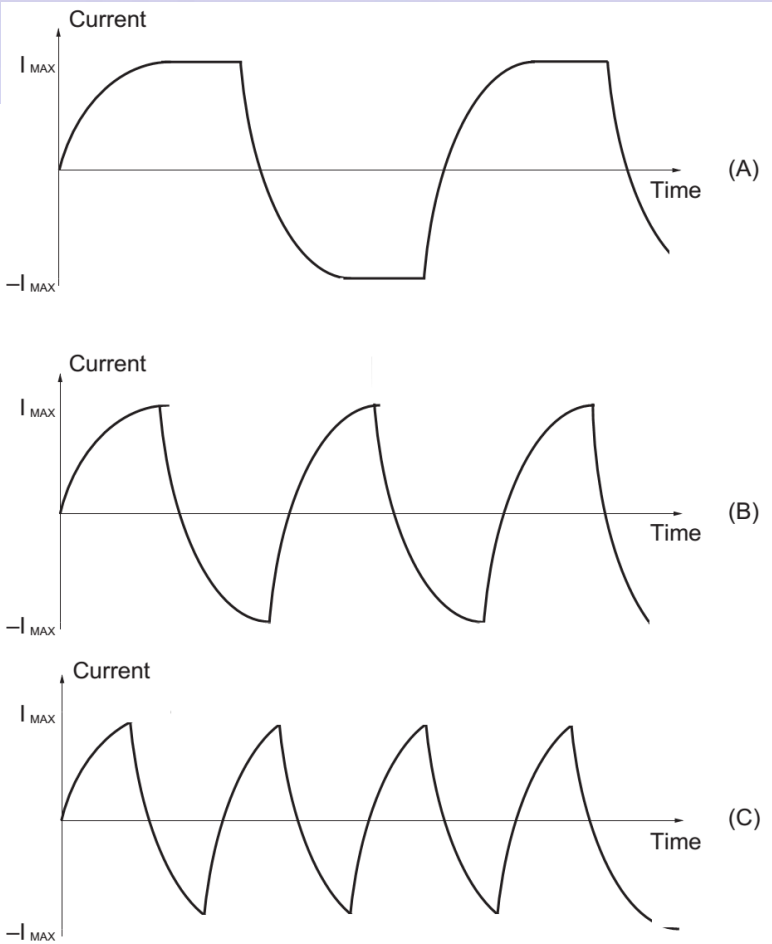
Count leads to distinguish unipolar and bipolar

Electronic system

Stepper motor - drive



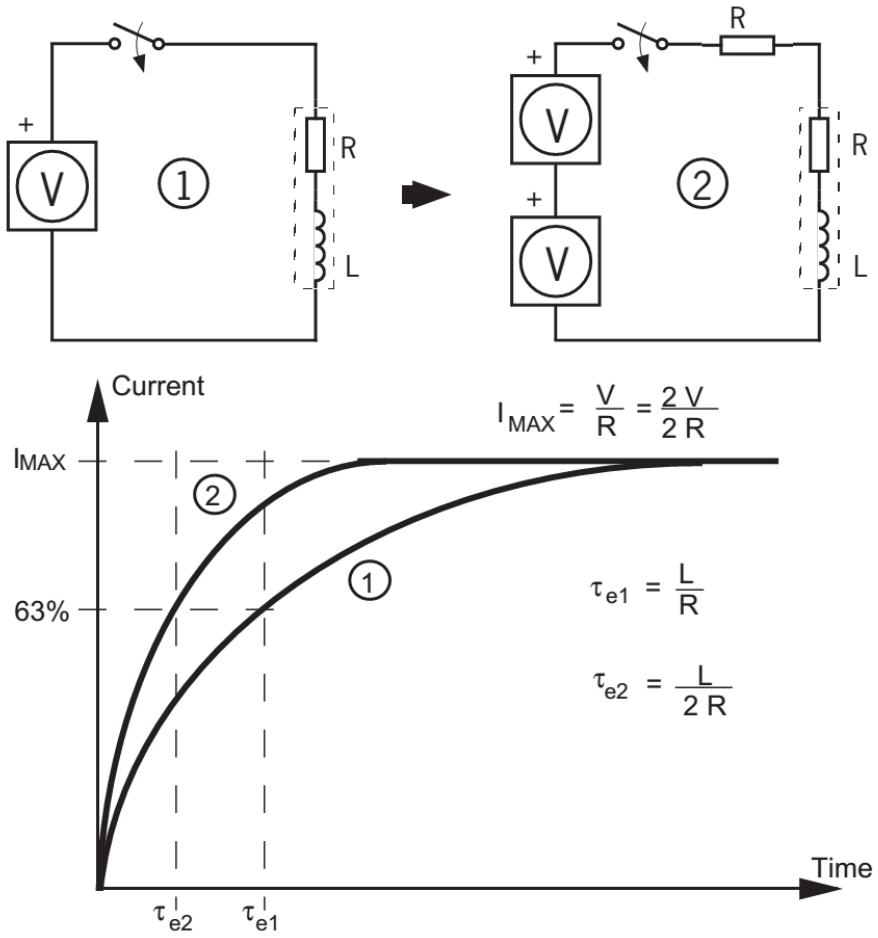
Current wave in stepper motor windings with PWM voltage input

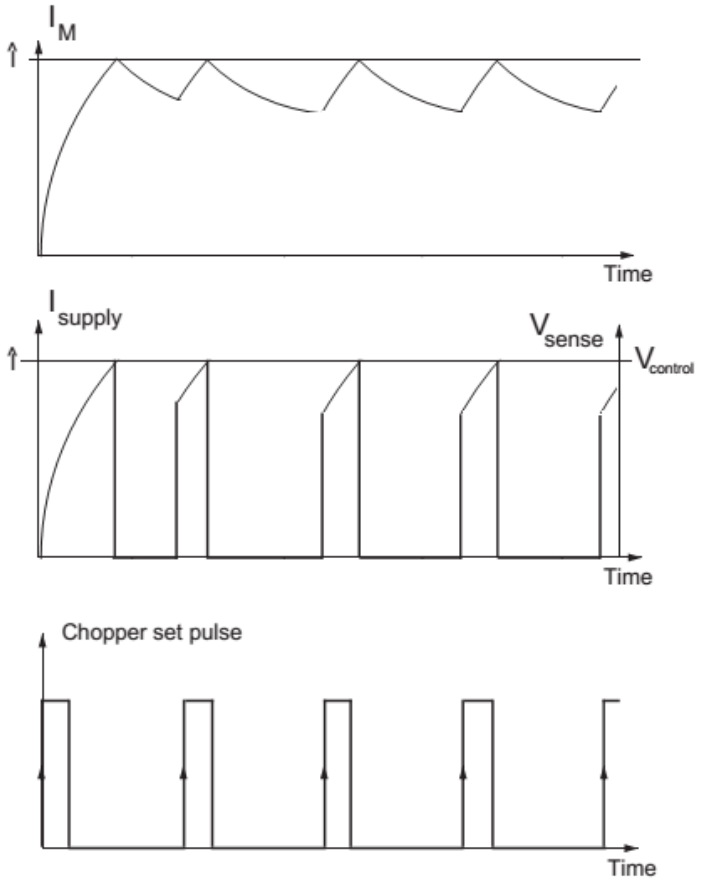


Current wave with input signal at different frequency, when above a certain f, current never reaches max

Electronic system

Stepper motor – drive – current control



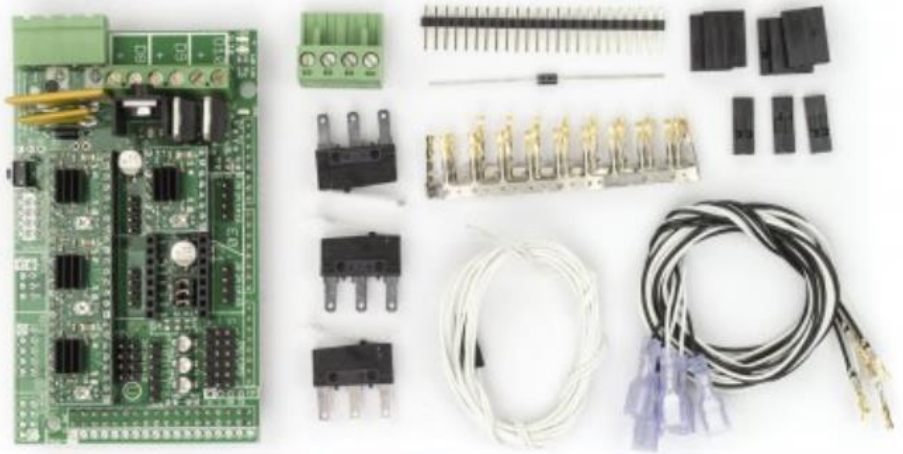


Resistance limitation: Use a higher voltage and control the current with a resistance to speed up current build-up, more energy loss on resistance.

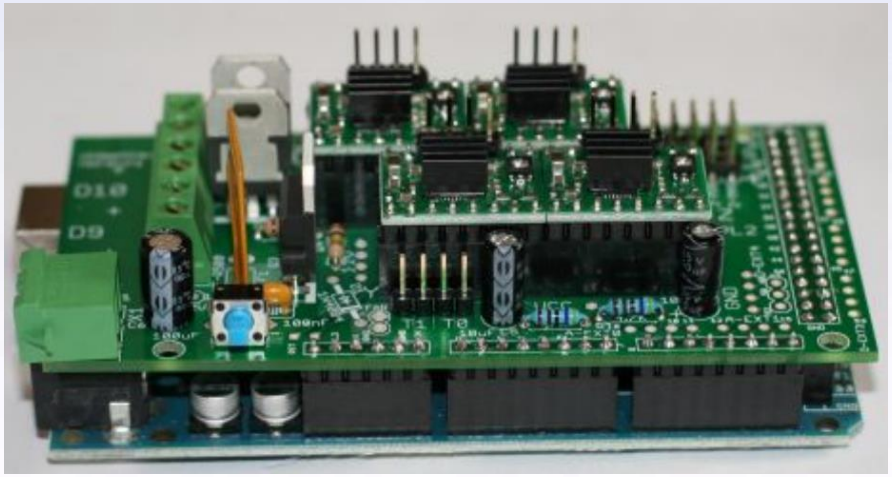
Chopper control: Use a very high voltage for fast current build-up and control the current by controlling the duty cycle. Optimal solution

Electronic system

Stepper motor – drive

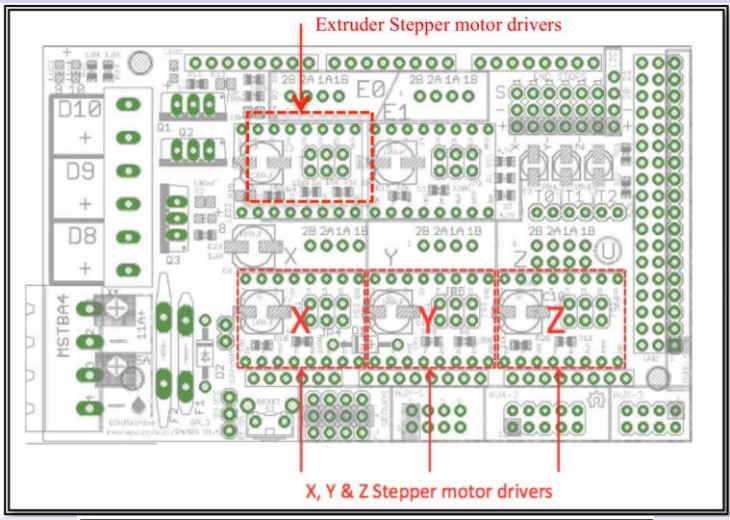


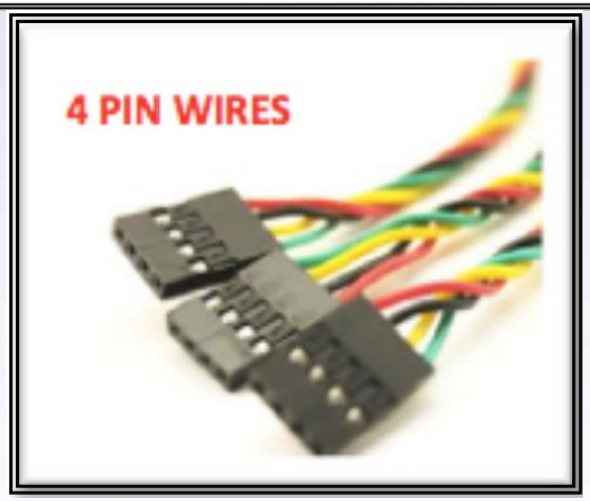
Shields: RAMPS 1.4 -- Pololu Shield provides the driver circuit with 11A fuse, power connection, chopper current control etc.for driving the stepper motor



Plug it into Arduino

RAMPS Schematic





Plug in motor and power supply

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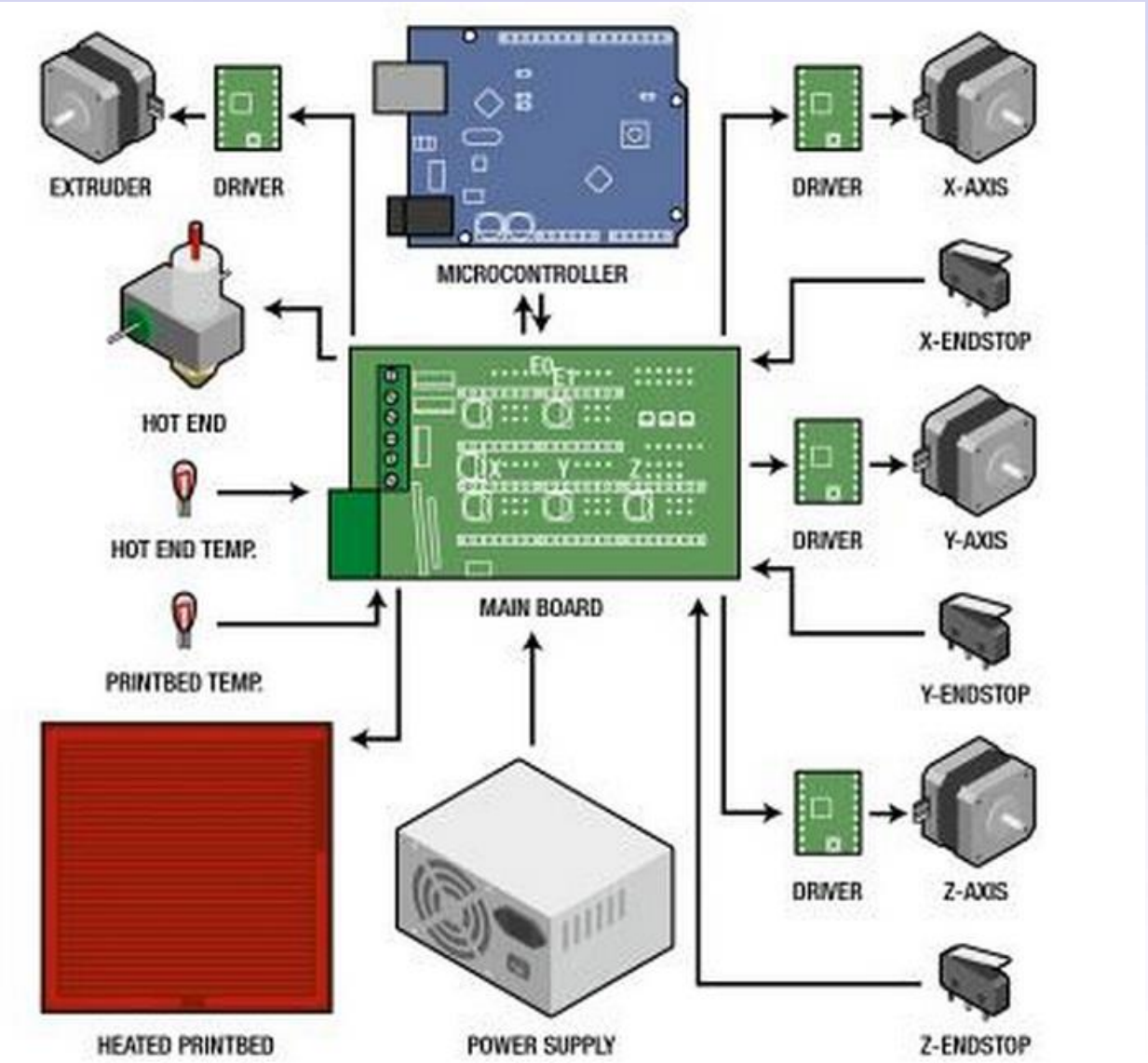
Electronic system

- Stepper motor – drive



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Electronic system

Stepper motor – use Arduino for PWM control

Use digitalWrite function

```
int myPin = 13;
void setup()
{
  pinMode(13, OUTPUT);
}

void loop()
{
  digitalWrite(13, HIGH);
// Approximately 10% duty cycle @ 1KHz
  delayMicroseconds(100);
  digitalWrite(13, LOW);
  delayMicroseconds(1000 - 100);
}
```

Use analogWrite function

```
// LED connected to digital pin 9
int ledPin = 9;
// potentiometer connected to analog
int analogPin = 3;   pin 3
// variable to store the read value

int val = 0;
void setup()
{
// sets the pin as output
  pinMode(ledPin, OUTPUT);
}

void loop()
{
// read the input pin
  val = analogRead(analogPin);
// analogRead values go from 0 to 1023,
// analogWrite values from 0 to 255
  analogWrite(ledPin, val / 4);
}
```

Electronic system

Stepper motor – use Arduino for PWM control

```
/*
Adafruit Arduino - Lesson 16. Stepper
*/

#include <Stepper.h>

int in1Pin = 12;
int in2Pin = 11;
int in3Pin = 10;
int in4Pin = 9;

Stepper motor(512, in1Pin, in2Pin, in3Pin,
in4Pin);

void setup()
{
pinMode(in1Pin, OUTPUT);
pinMode(in2Pin, OUTPUT);
pinMode(in3Pin, OUTPUT);
pinMode(in4Pin, OUTPUT);
```

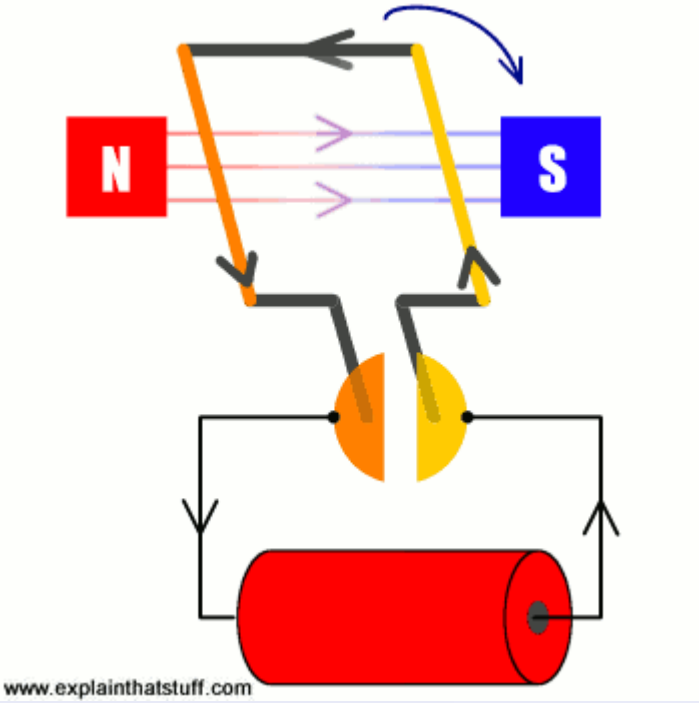
```
// this line is for Leonardo's, it
delays the serial interface
// until the terminal window is
opened
while (!Serial);
Serial.begin(9600);
motor.setSpeed(20);
}

void loop()
{
if (Serial.available())
{
int steps = Serial.parseInt();
motor.step(steps);
}
}
```

AM Machine

Motion System

Electronic System



DC Motor animation