

Bode plot analysis (in short)

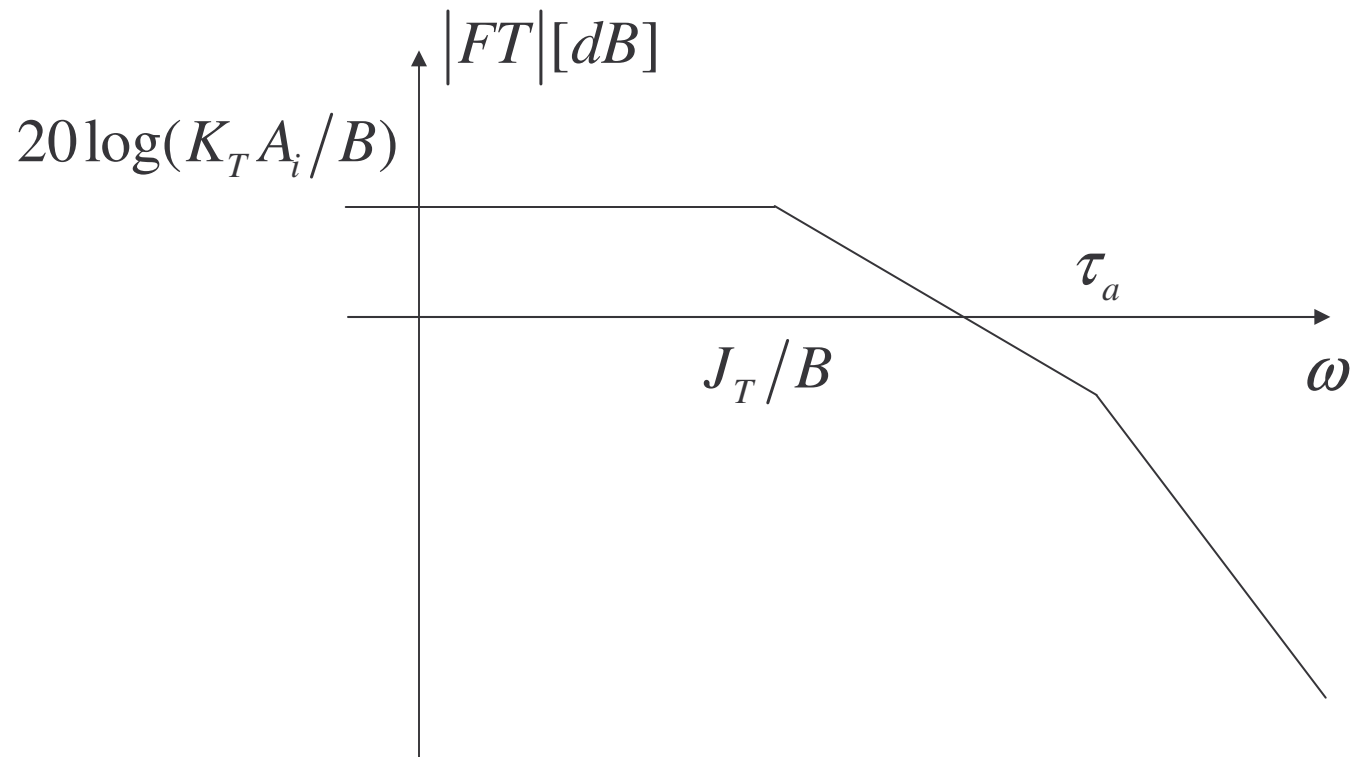
$$s = j\omega \quad FT(j\omega) \quad \text{then plot} \quad \begin{array}{l} 20 \log |FT(j\omega)| \\ \angle FT(j\omega) \end{array}$$

$$FT = K \frac{\prod (1 + \frac{j\omega}{\omega_{zi}})}{\prod (1 + \frac{j\omega}{\omega_{pk}})}$$

$$FT = 20 \log K + 20 \sum \log(1 + \frac{\omega}{\omega_{zi}}) - 20 \sum \log(1 + \frac{\omega}{\omega_{pk}})$$

Example

$$\frac{\omega(s)}{V_{in}(s)} = \frac{K_T A_i / B}{(1 + s J_T / B)(1 + s \tau_a)}$$



The (asymptotic) plot is accurate for...

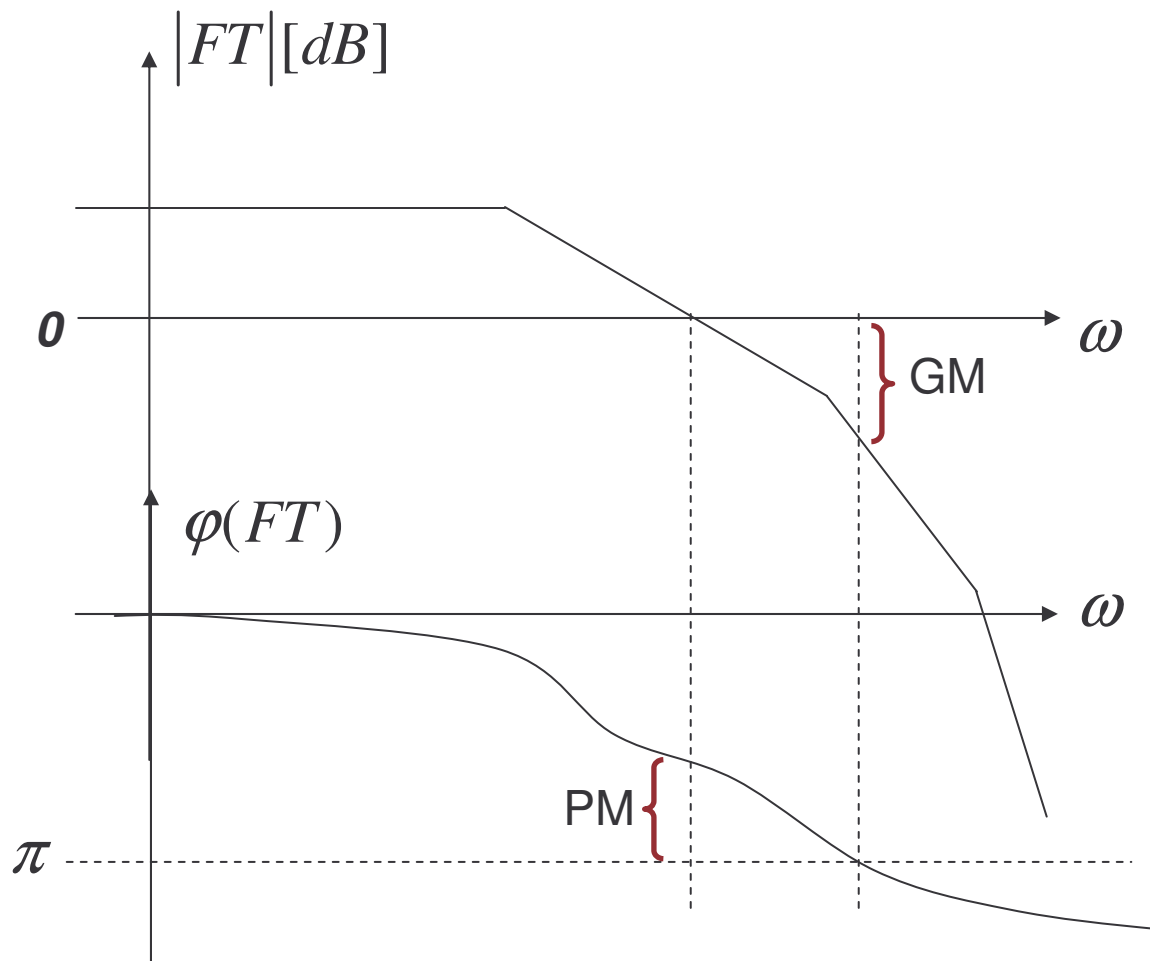
- Real valued poles and zeros, no resonance!
- Successive poles/zeros are separate by a factor of 7 or so, they don't interact

Gain and phase margin

$$GM = -20 \log(|FT|) \quad @ \omega_{\pi}$$

$$PM = \pi - \varphi(FT) \quad @ \omega_0$$

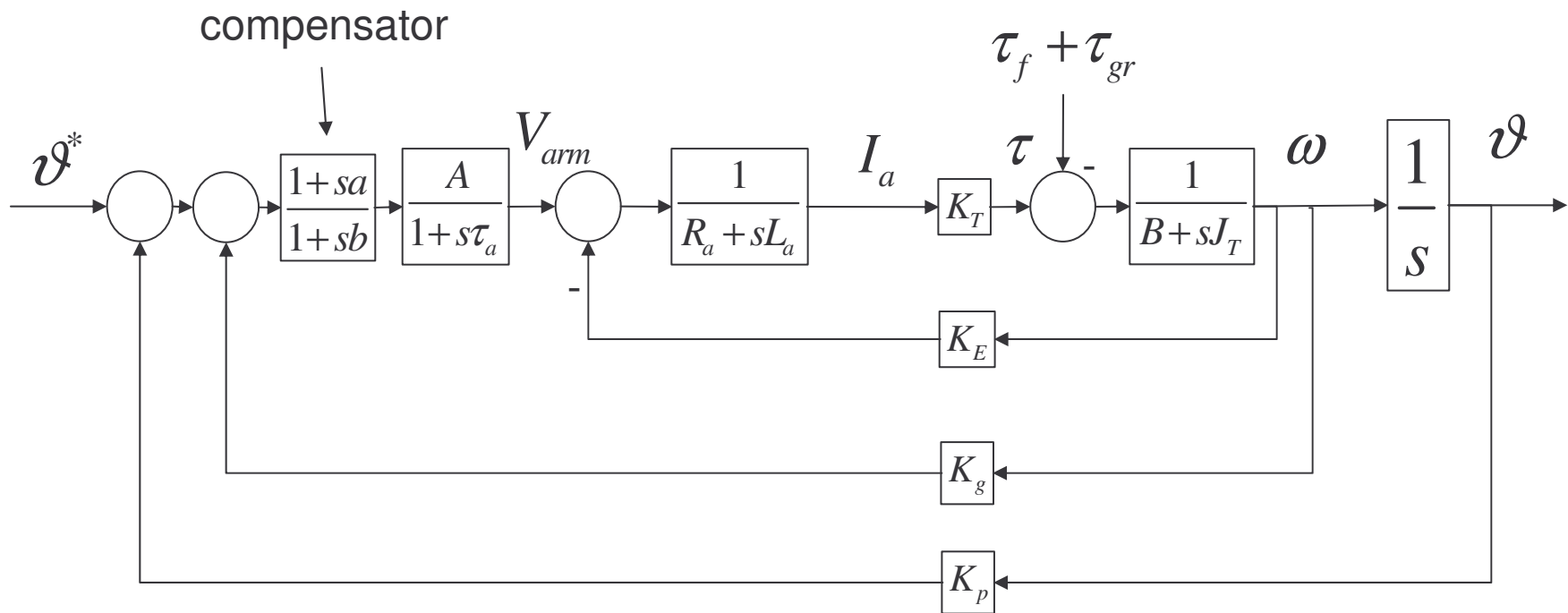
Margins



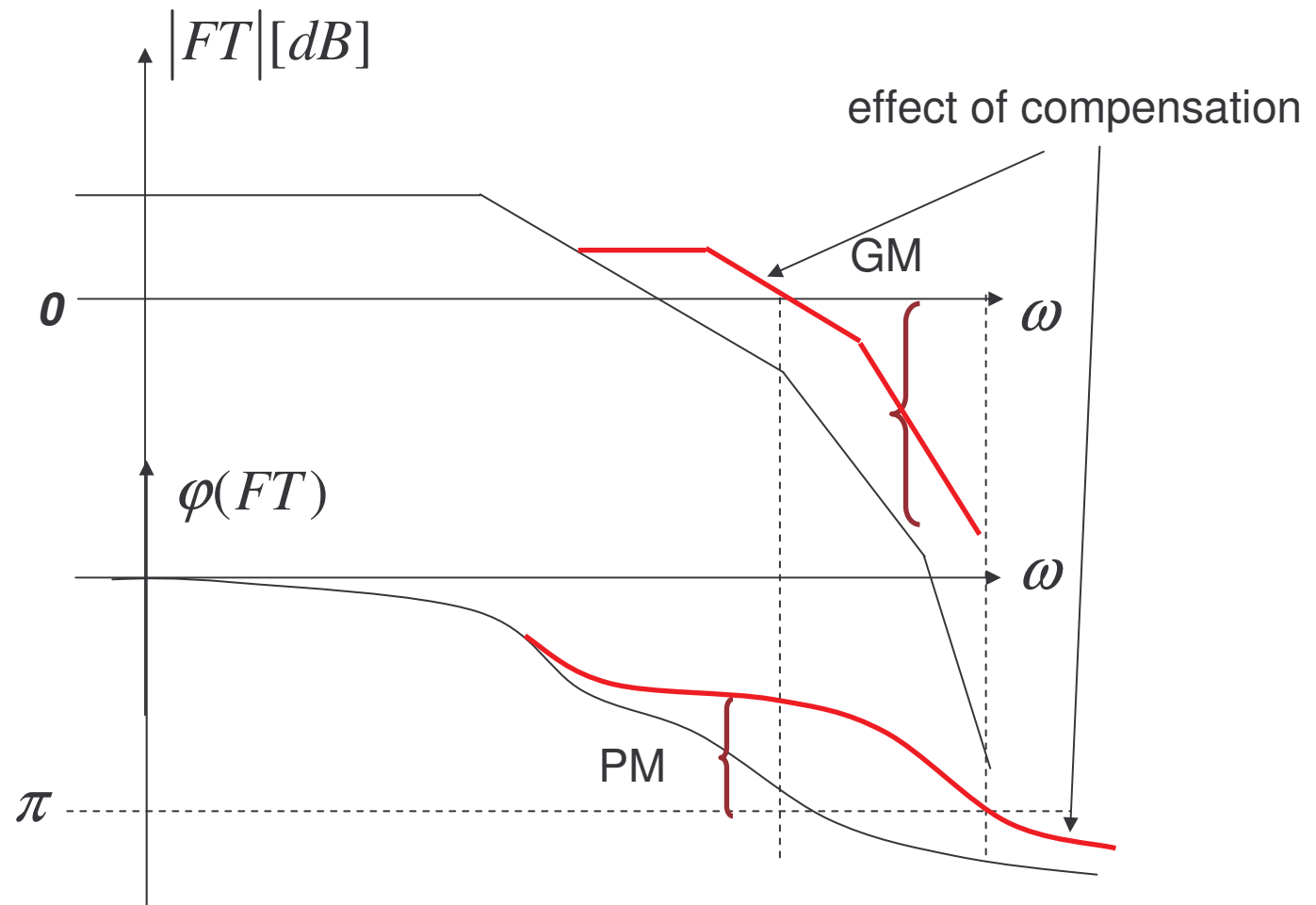
Rule of thumb

- Common design objectives:
 - Gain margin $> 20\text{dB}$
 - Phase margin > 45 degrees

Compensator



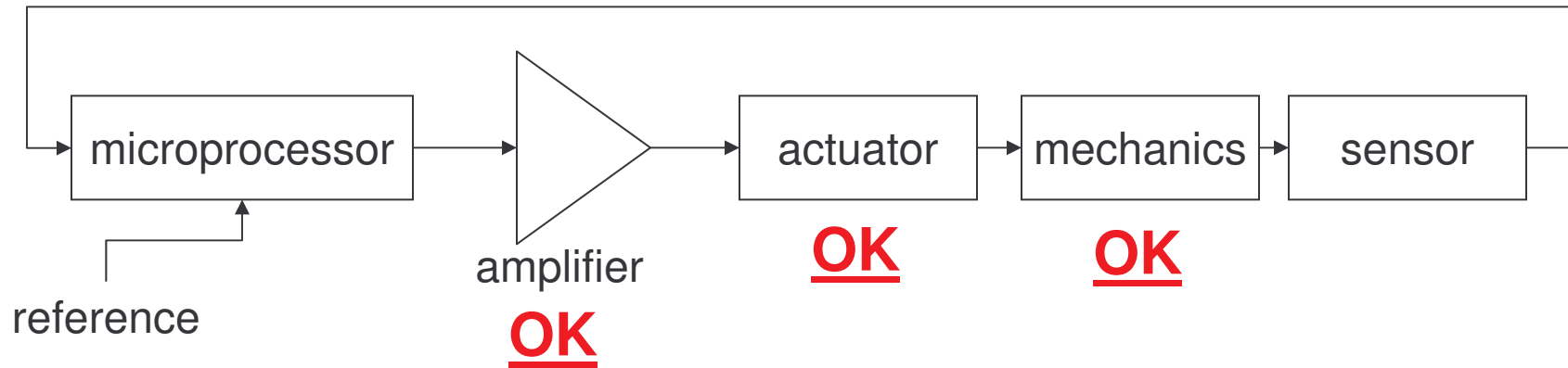
Effects of compensation



This plot is not a real one!

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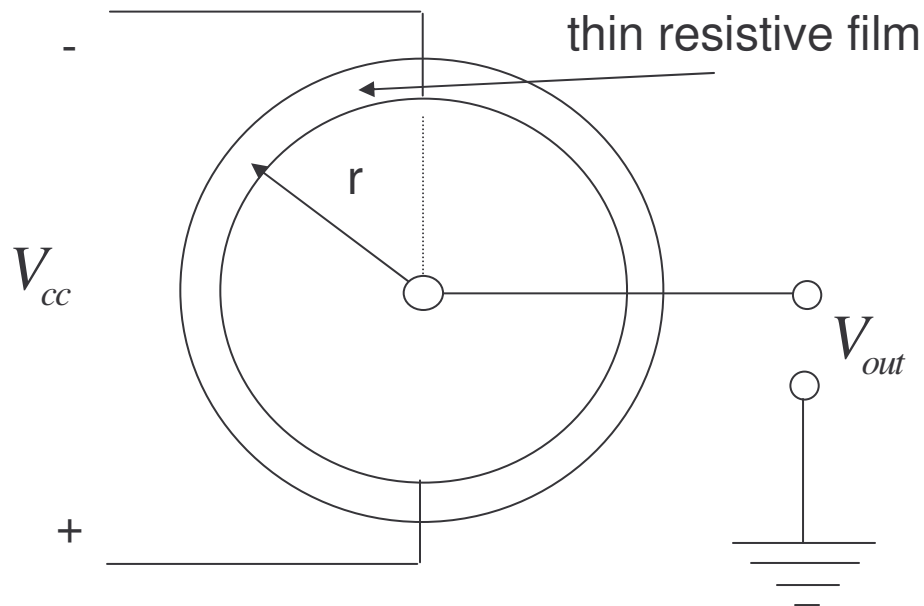
Back to the global view



Sensors

- Potentiometers
- Encoders
- Tachometers
- Inertial sensors
- Strain gauges
- Hall-effect sensors
- and many more...

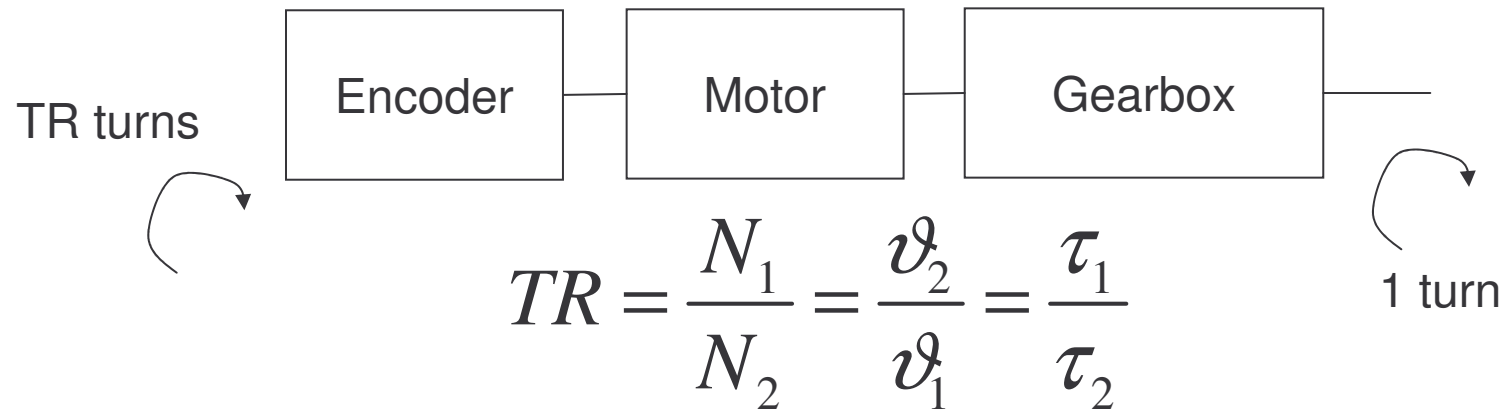
Potentiometer



$$V_{out} = \frac{r}{R} V_{cc}$$

- Simple but noisy
- Requires A/D conversion
- Absolute position (good!)

Note



$$\tau_2 = \frac{N_2}{N_1} \tau_1 \Rightarrow (\text{most of the time}) N_2 > N_1$$

$$\vartheta_2 = \frac{N_1}{N_2} \vartheta_1$$

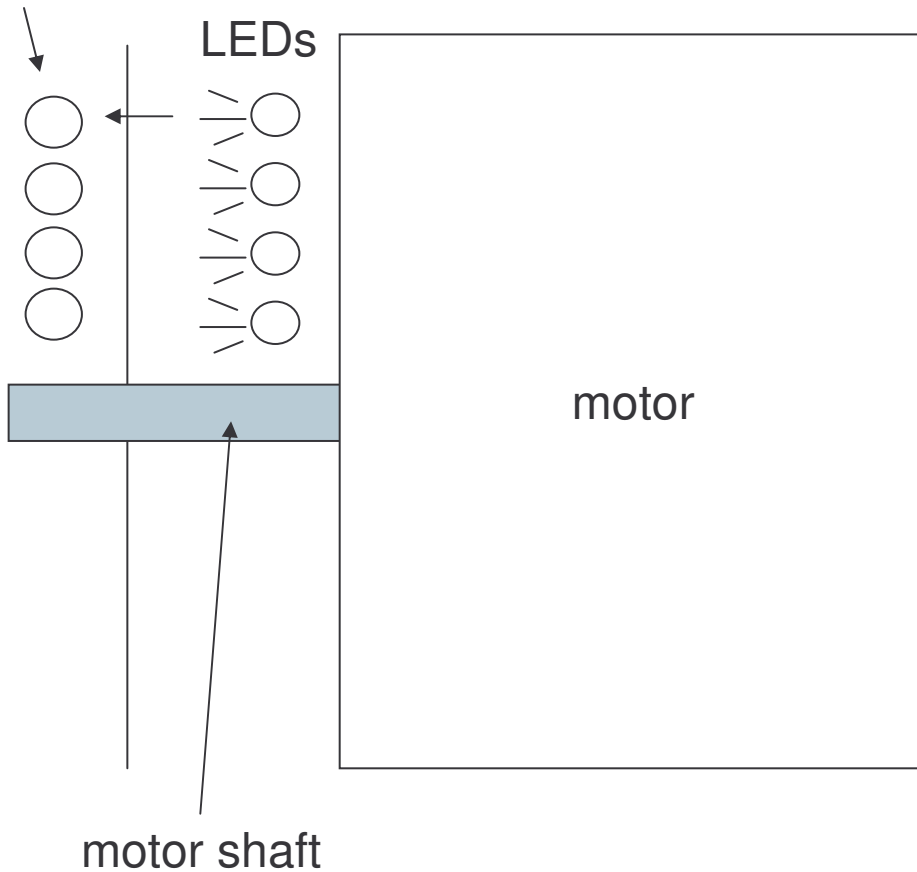
- The resolution of the sensor multiplied by TR

Encoder

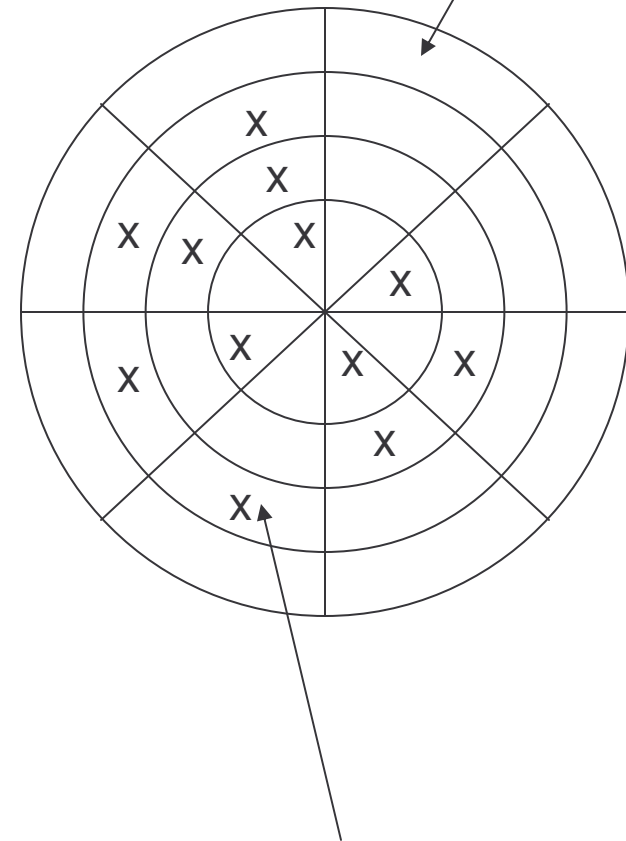
- Absolute
- Incremental

Absolute encoder

phototransistors



transparent



opaque

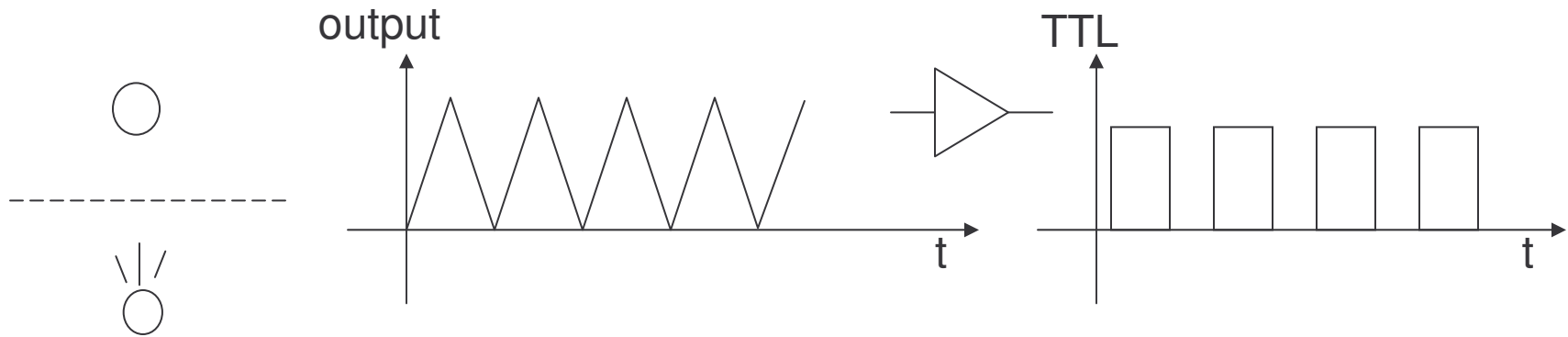
13 bits required for 0.044 degrees

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Incremental encoder

- Disk single track instead of multiple
- No absolute position
- Usually an index marks the beginning of a turn

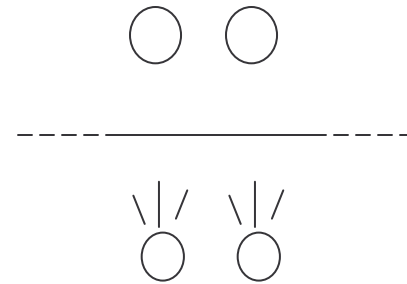
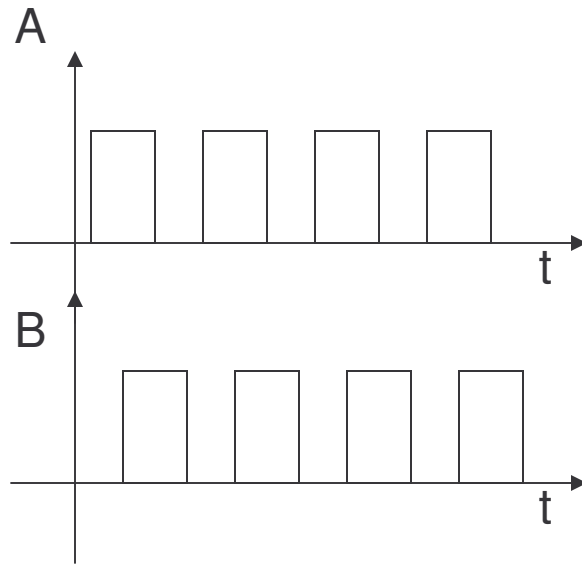
Incremental encoder



- Sensitive to the amount of light collected
- The direction of motion is not measured

Two-channel encoder

- 2 channels 90 degrees apart (quadrature signals) allow measuring the direction of motion



Moreover

- There are “differential” encoders
 - Taking the difference of two sensors 180 degrees apart
- Typically
 - A, B, Index channel
 - A, B, Index (differential)
- A “counter” is used to compute the position from an incremental encoder

Increasing resolution

- Counting UP and DOWN edges
 - X2 or X4 circuits

Absolute position

- A potentiometer and incremental encoder can be used simultaneously: the pot for the “absolute” reference, and the encoder because of good resolution and robustness to noise

Analog locking

- Use digital encoder as much as possible
 - Get to zero error or so using the digital signal
- When close to zeroing the error:
 - Switch to analog: use the analog signal coming from the photodetector (roughly sinusoidal/triangular)
 - Much higher resolution, precise positioning

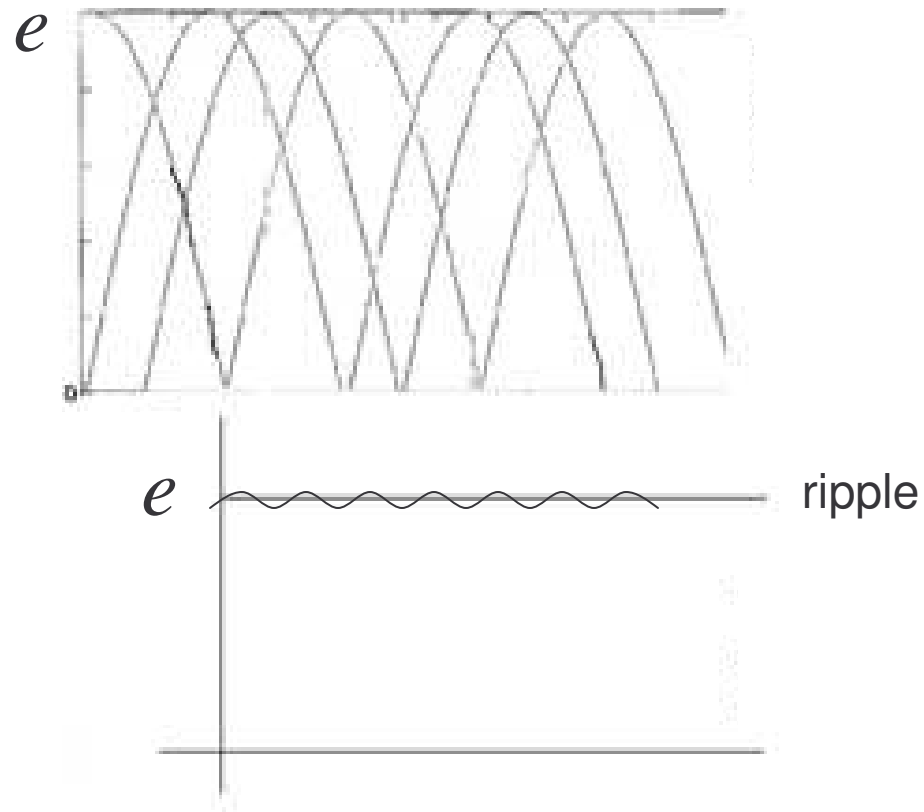
Tachometer

- Use a DC motor
 - The moving coils in the magnetic field will get an induced EMF

$$c \oint_{\delta_s} \bar{E} \cdot d\bar{l} = \frac{d}{dt} \iint_s \bar{B} \cdot d\bar{S}$$

- In practice is better to design a special purpose “DC motor” for measuring velocity
- Ripple: typ. 3%

As already seen...



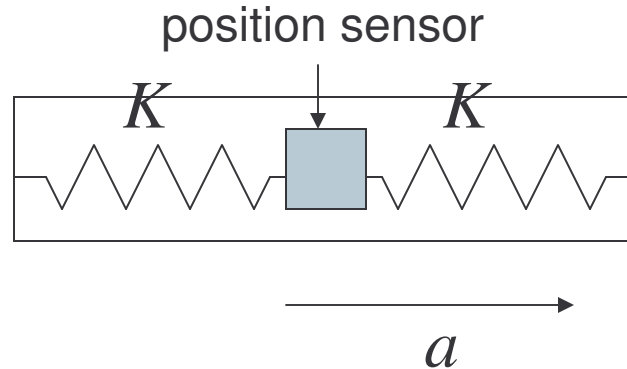
Measuring speed with digital encoders

- Frequency to voltage converters
 - Costly (additional electronics)
- Much better: in software
 - Take the derivative (for free!)

$$v(kT) = \frac{p(kT) - p((k-1)T)}{T}$$

Inertial sensors

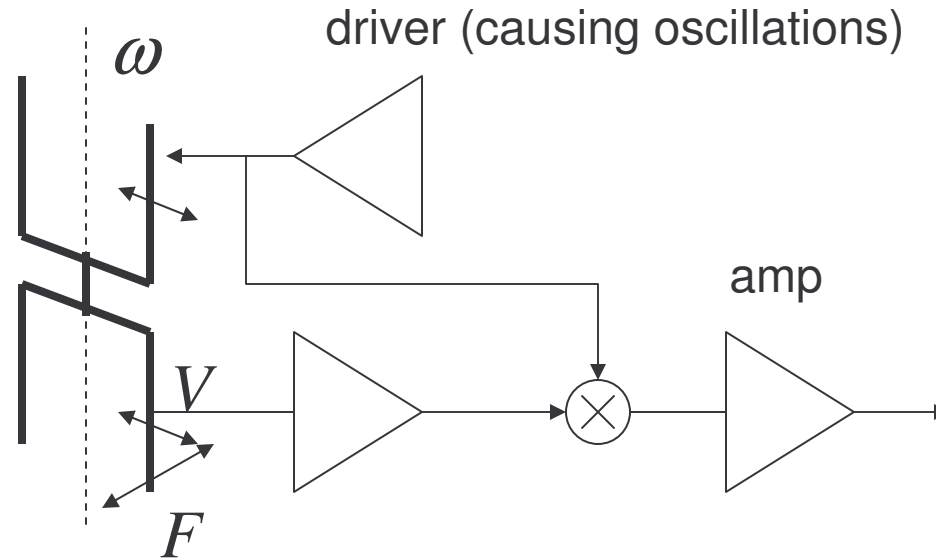
- Accelerometers:



$$Ma = 2Kx \Rightarrow a = \frac{2Kx}{M}$$

Gyroscopes

- Quartz forks



$$F = 2m\omega \times V$$

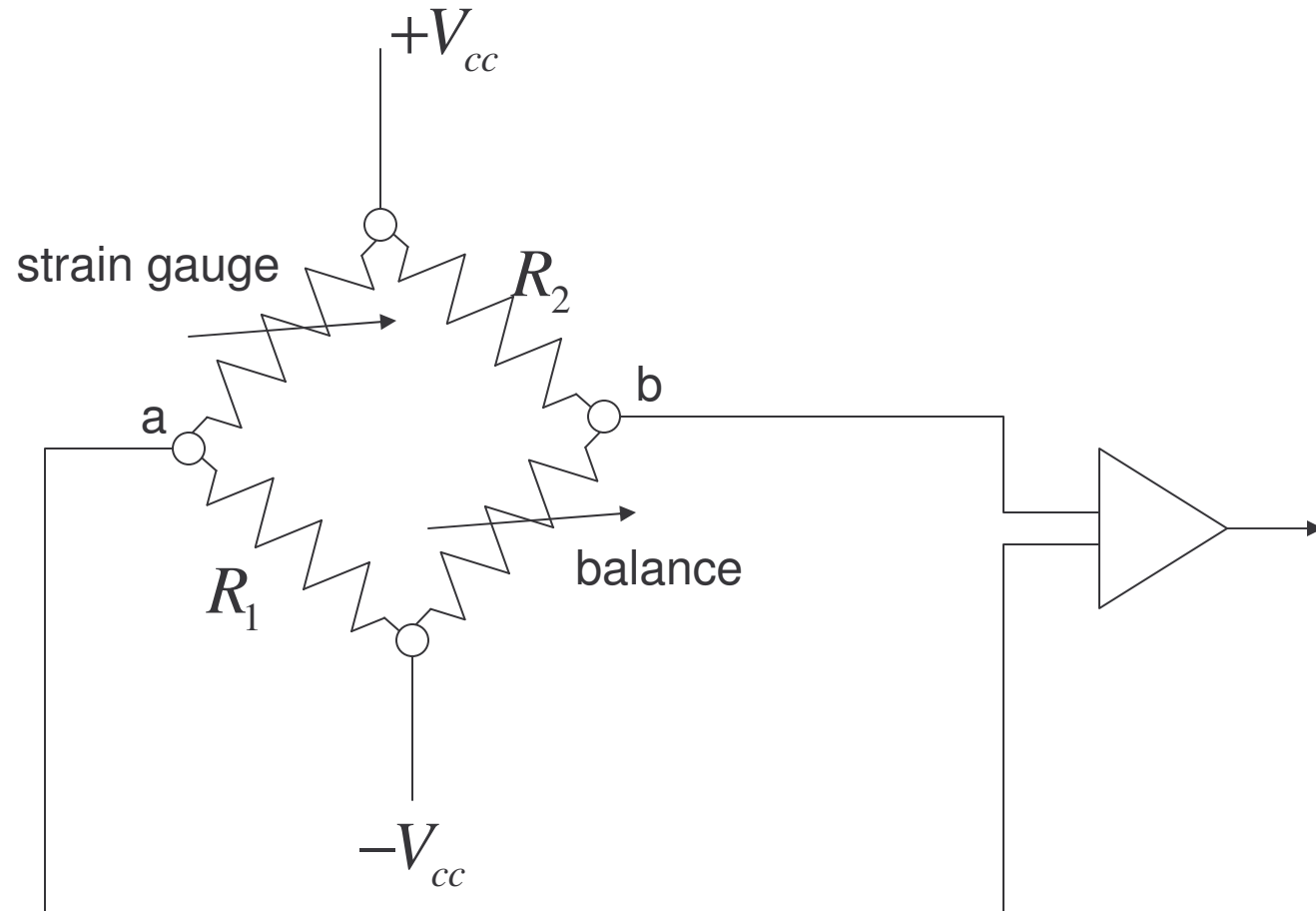
Strain gauges

- Principle: deformation $\rightarrow \Delta R$ (resistance)
 - Example: conductive paint (Al, Cu)
 - The paint covers a deformable non-conducting substrate

$$R = \frac{L}{\sigma A} \Rightarrow \Delta L, A = \text{const} \Rightarrow \Delta R$$

conductivity \nearrow

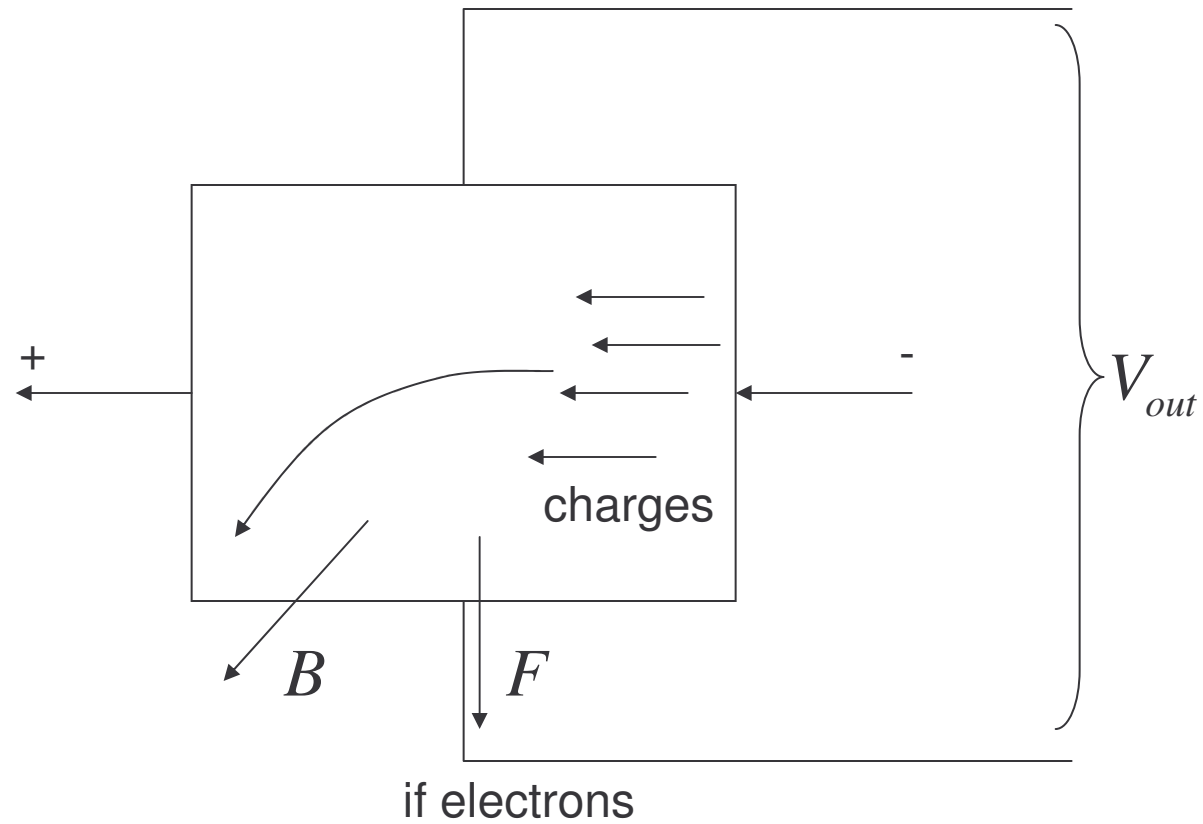
Reading from a strain gauge



$$R_1 R_2 = R_g R_b \Rightarrow V_{ab} = 0$$

$$\Delta V_{ab} = f(\Delta R_g)$$

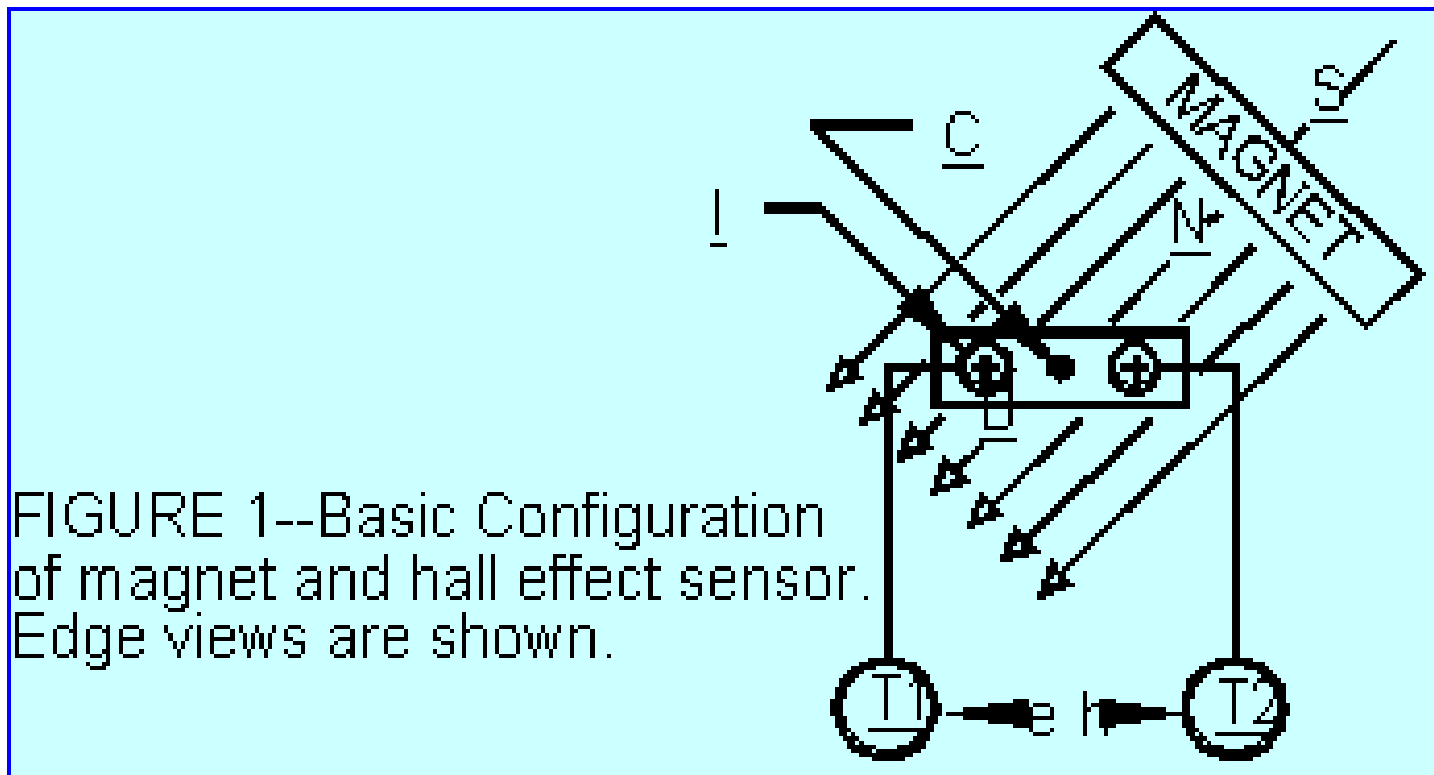
Hall-effect sensors



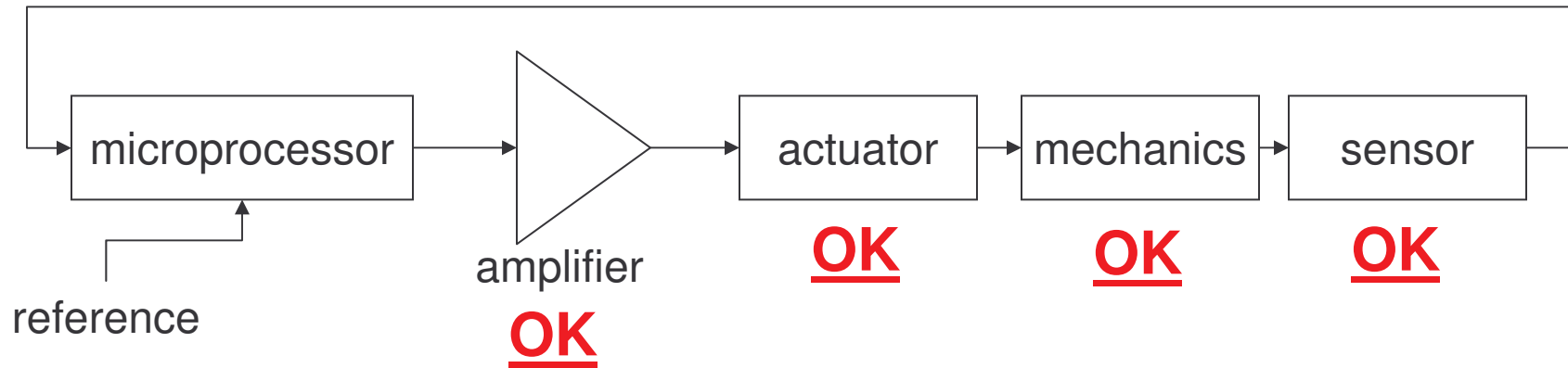
$$F_{\text{lorentz}} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$

Example

- Measuring angles (magnetic encoders)



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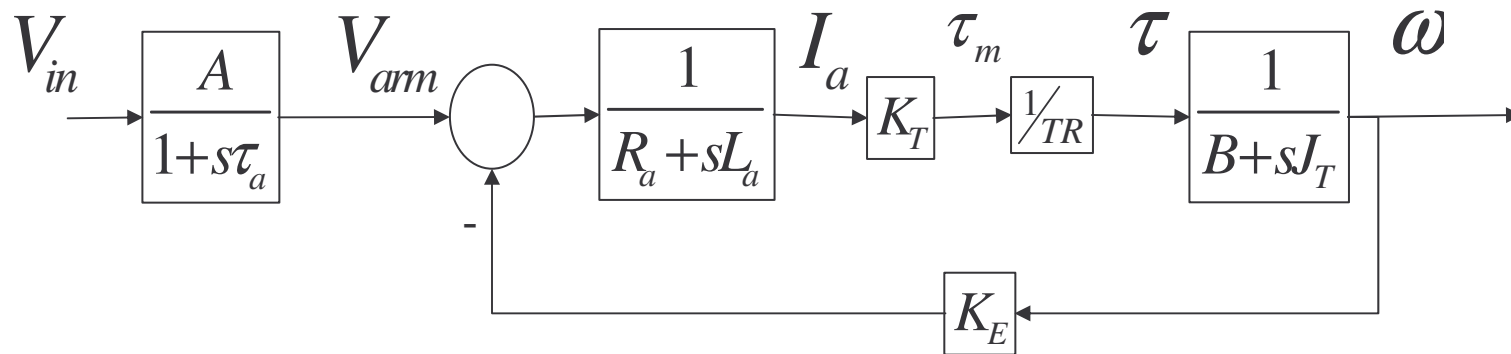
Microprocessors

- Special DSPs for motion control
 - Some are barely programmable (the control law is fixed)
 - Others are general purpose and they are mixed mode (analog and digital in a single chip)

Example

- DSP 16 bit ALU and instruction set
- PWM generator (simply attach this to either T or H amplifier)
- A/D conversion
- CAN bus, Serial ports, digital I/O
- Encoder counters
- Flash memory and RAM on-board
- Enough of all these to control two motors (either brush- or brushless)

Problem set



Simulate the following situation and build a controller for it.

- $B = 10 \cdot B_m$

- J = a thin bar 0.2m long and 0.2kg in weight

-Motor: 1331

- $A=1$

- $\tau_a=3\text{ms}$

-Add blocks as needed