

6.270 Lecture

Sensors, Motors, Gear Ratios,
& Motor DC Theory

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Overview of Lecture

▶ Sensors

- ▶ Switches, Breakbeam/Optical Encoders, GyroScopes,
 - ▶ Pull-up/Down Resistors
- IR-LED & Phototransistor, & Sharp IR Distance Sensor

▶ Motors

- ▶ 6.270 DC Motor
- ▶ Servo Motor
- ▶ Continuous Servo Motor

▶ Gear Ratios

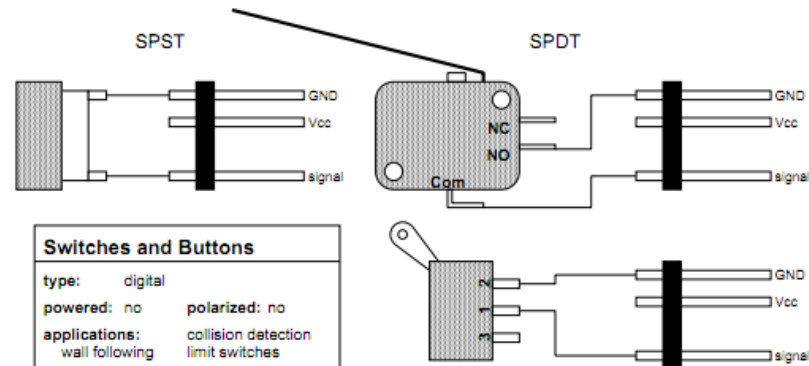
- ▶ Torque and Speed Tradeoff
- ▶ Sample Calculation/s

▶ DC Motor Theory

- ▶ PWM / H-bridge
- ▶ Torque vs Speed, Current, Power, and Efficiency Curves
- ▶ Sample Calculation/s



Sensors - Switches

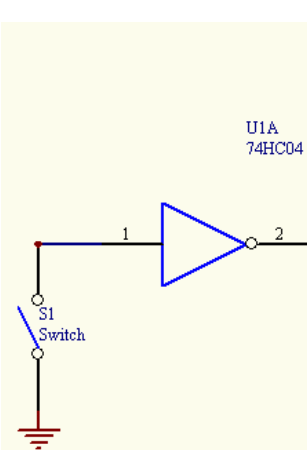


- ▶ Digital Input – Only Binary outputs (1 or 0)
- Wiring (Pins 0-23); Pins(0-7 recommended)
- ▶ Single Pole Single Throw (SPST) Single Pole Double Throw (SPDT)
 - ▶ Normally Open (NO) vs. Normally Close (NC)
 - ▶ Applications Wall Following, Alignment, Logic Stop
 - ▶ Note about Pull-Up/Pull-Down Resistors
 - ▶ Example on HappyBoard
 - ▶ `digital_read(Port #)`

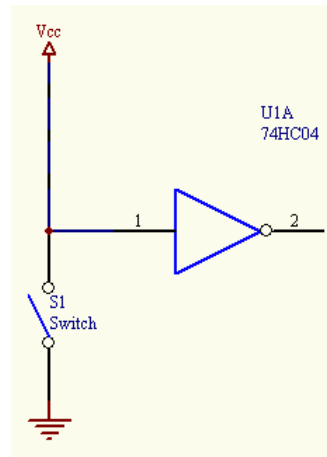
- ▶ For Digital Inputs: Always have Pull-up Resistors ON

Pull-Up, Pull-Down Resistors

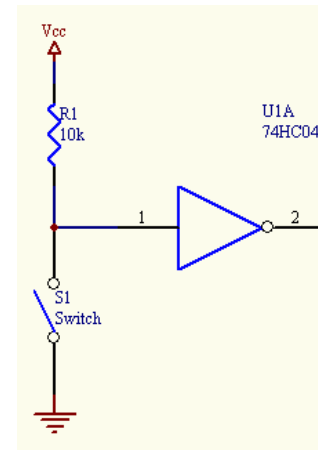
- ▶ Logic gates have high impedance → floating values (1 or 0).
 - ▶ Susceptible to Electrical Noise
- ▶ Pull-up/down Resistors always gives a definite value to logic.



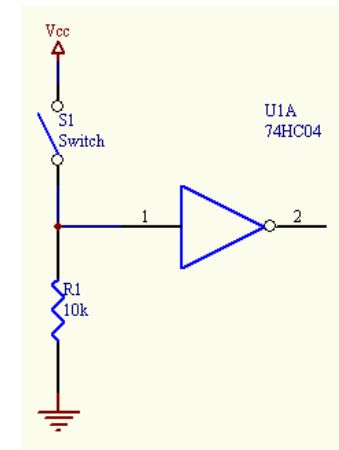
BAD: Floating Logic Gate
Susceptible to Electrical Noise



BAD: Solves Problem until
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short



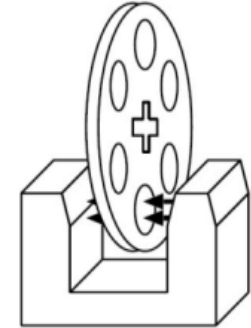
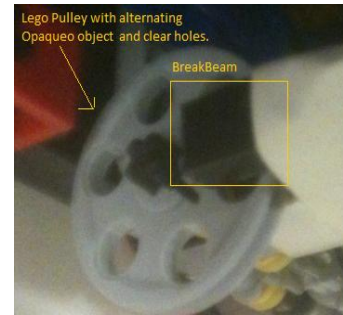
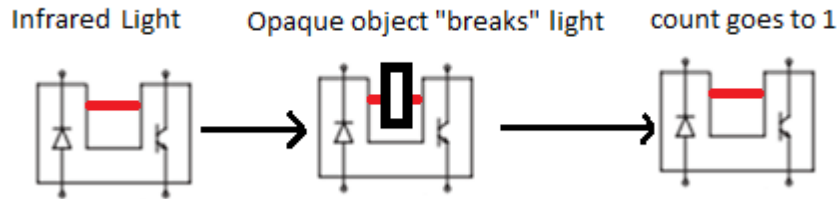
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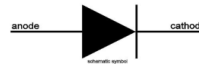
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Sensors:

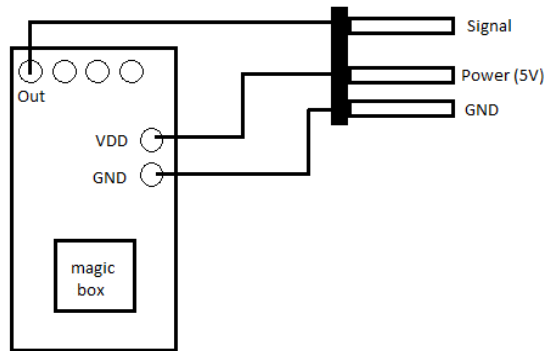
BreakBeam/Optical Shaft Encoders



- ▶ Encoder Input (24-27): Transitive analog/Digital
 - ▶ IR-LED on Left, Phototransistor on right
- ▶ Wiring Tips
 - ▶ Look for Diode Symbol
 - ▶ GNDs are Diagonal.
- ▶ Applications – Track # of Wheel Rotations. Distance Calculation
- ▶ HappyTest Example
 - ▶ `encoder_read(port#)` and `encoder_reset(port#)`



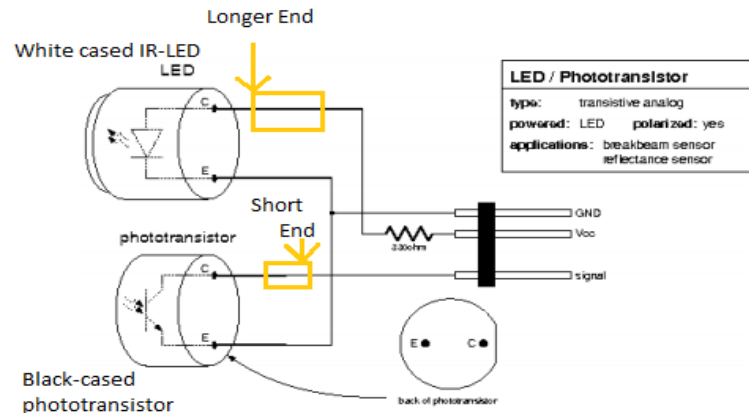
Sensors: Gyroscopes



- ▶ **Analog (8-23)**
 - ▶ Recommended (20-23) with Pull-Up resistors to OFF
- ▶ **Application: Measures the *perpendicular Axis of Rotation* using Velocity Integration:**
 - ▶ Constant of Integration builds up error over time $x = \int v dt + C$
- ▶ **Needs Calibration of Rotation Angle Multiplier**
- ▶ **HappyBoard Example**
 - ▶ `gyro_init (GYRO_PORT, LSB_US_PER_DEG, 500L);`
 - ▶ Robot should be stationary during calibration
 - ▶ `gyro_get_degrees()` returns float

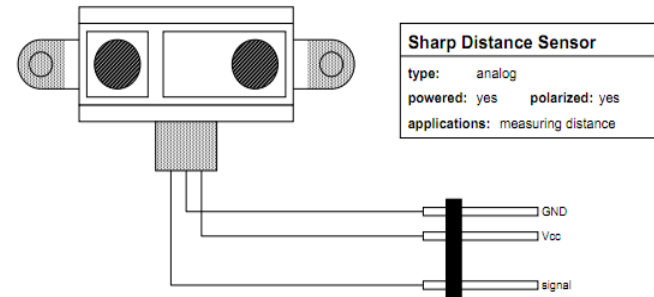
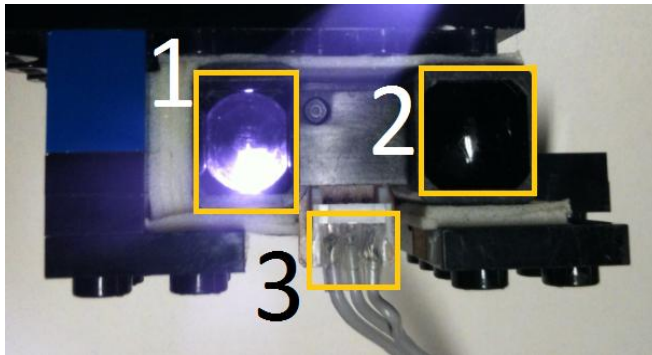


Sensors: IR-LED + Phototransistor



- ▶ Analog Input(0-23): For 20-23, have the Pull-ups ON
- ▶ InfraRed is emitted from LED. Phototransistor Receives light.
 - ▶ More Light = Lower Resistance = Lower analog Value
- ▶ Applications: BreakBeam, Line Follower, Light Follower
- ▶ HappyTest Example:
 - ▶ `analog_read(port#)`

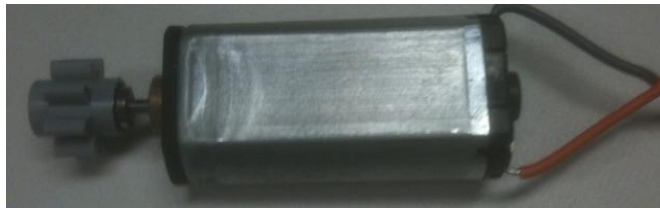
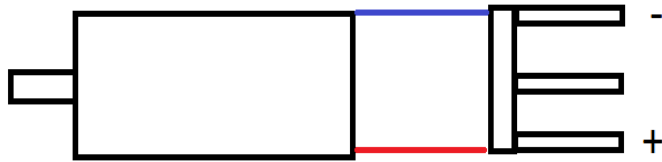
IR + Sharp Distance Sensor



- ▶ Applications – measures distances from 8”-60”
 - ▶ Doesn't have to be perpendicular.
- ▶ Analog Input, pins **20-23 only**. Pull-Up Resistors are OFF. (See HappyLab for 'loophole')
 - ▶ Sensor provides its own analog input.
- ▶ Near-Infrared is emitted from #1; #2 Measures Angle.
- ▶ Needs Calibration
 - ▶ Non-linear method of measuring distances
- ▶ HappyBoard Example: `irdist_read(Port#)` returns float in cm



Motors: DC Motor



	Reflected Values	
Free Speed	14292	RPM
Free Current	0.39	Amps
Stall Current	2.2	Amps
Stall Torque	0.00587	N-m
Internal R	3.181818182	

Motor Operating V: 7

Kt(Torque Constant)	0.003241	Nm/A
Kv (Velocity Constant)	1938.6	RPM/V
ke(Back emf)	0.003241	V/rad/s

- ▶ Motor Pins 0-5 – Ask Organizers for extra Motor Drivers
- ▶ Must have 8-tooth Gear Connected
- ▶ Very High RPM, Very Low Torque
 - ▶ Useless **unless** Gear Ratios are used to Increase Torque and Decrease Speed.
- ▶ POS, NEG terminals no distinct PWR/GND
 - ▶ Note: Flipping Connection flips Motor Direction
- ▶ HappyBoard Example: `motor_set_vel(Port#, Speed)`
 - ▶ Speed Ranges from -255 to 255. 0 is stop.

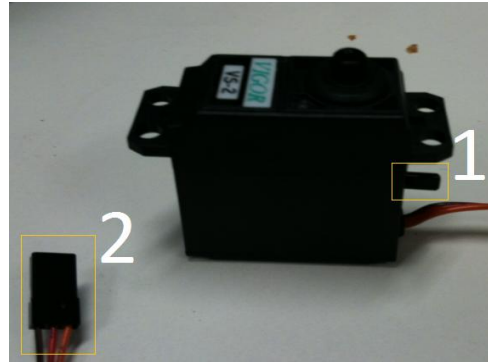
Motors- Positional Servos



- ▶ Servo Pins 0-5. Three Cables: GND, PWR, SIG
- ▶ Precise Actuator limited to 0-180 degrees.
 - ▶ Actively set angular position of servo
 - ▶ No gear ratios
- ▶ Low RPM, Very High Torque
- ▶ Applications – Slow & powerful arms, precise open-loop motions
- ▶ HappyBoard Example: `servo_set_pos(port#, pos)`. Pos ranges from 0-5 | |. CAREFUL with Extreme Positions.



Motors: Continuous Servos



- ▶ No longer restricted to 0-180deg, but no longer capable of precise motions.
 - ▶ Essentially a High Torque, Low RPM DC motor.
 - ▶ **NOT Recommended. Positional Servos are *beautiful!***
 - ▶ Permanent Change. Potential Screw-up
 - ▶ Potentiometer Calibration is needed -> Servo's Center changes. Use HotGlue to find center
 - ▶ HappyBoard Example:
 - ▶ Potentiometer's effect on: `servo_set_pos(port#, pos)`
`servo_disable(port#)`
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Gear Ratios

- ▶ Concept: Change output angular velocity & its Torque using gears

- ▶ Important Equation: $Gear\ Reduction = \frac{N_{out}}{N_{in}}$

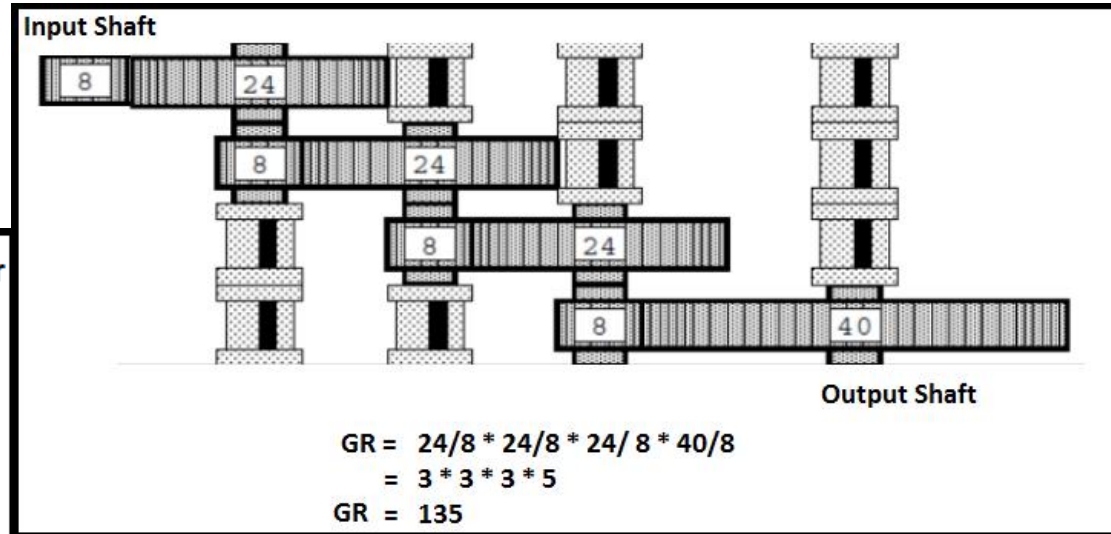
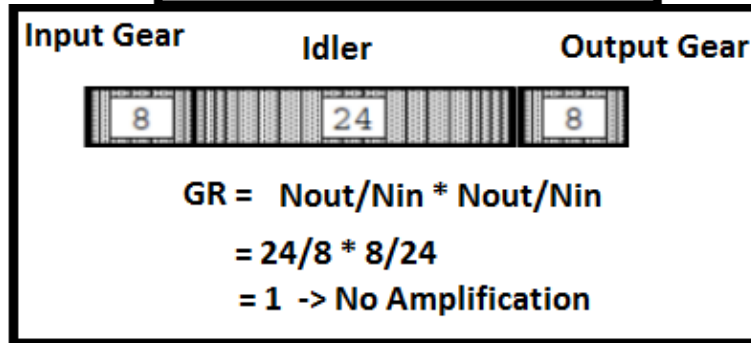
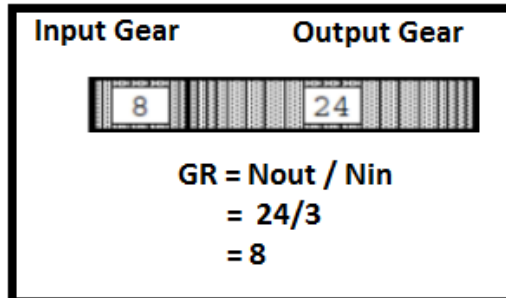
- ▶ Derivables: $Torque\ Ratio = G.R. = \frac{T_{out}}{T_{in}}$ $Speed\ Ratio = \frac{W_{in}}{W_{out}}$

$$\frac{N_{out}}{N_{in}} = \frac{W_{in}}{W_{out}} = \frac{T_{out}}{T_{in}}$$

- ▶ Mechanical Advantage attained through conservation of Power $P = T_A\omega_A = T_B\omega_B$, Which yields $MA = \frac{T_B}{T_A} = \frac{\omega_A}{\omega_B}$.
- ▶ Higher Gear Reduction amplifies torque, trading speed.
- ▶ Lower Gear Reduction amplifies speed, trading torque.



Gear Ratios – 10% Loss each Stage

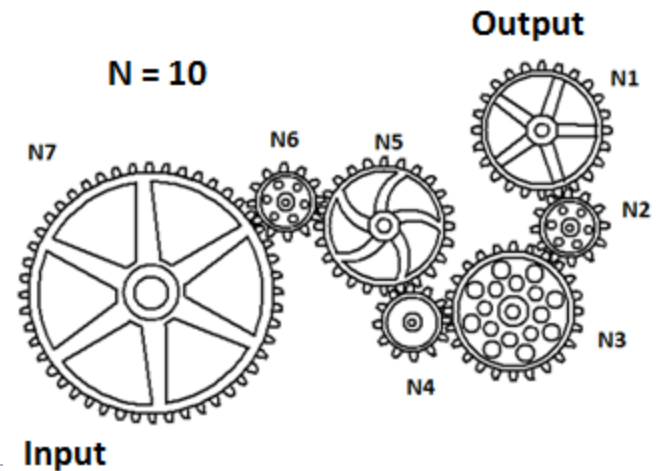
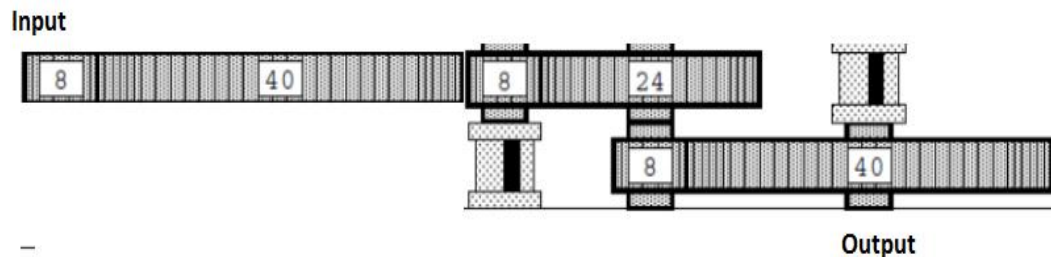


- ▶ Simplest Case use: N_{out}/N_{in}
- ▶ Compound Gearing requires Repeated Multiplication of Gear Ratios at Every Stage
- ▶ Idler Gears – Intermediate Gear does not contribute to ratio
 - ▶ Only Input and Output Matters
- ▶ ▶ Useful for switching directions and Spacing

Gear Ratio Sample Calculations

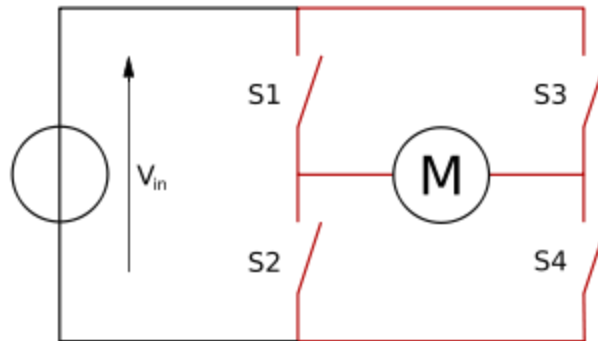
- ▶ Given: Motor's Torque = 2N-m & RPM = 1000
- ▶ Calculate the Following Gear Ratios
- ▶ Which ones amplify torque and which amplifies speed?
 - ▶ By How Much?
- ▶ Remember: $\text{Gear Reduction} = \frac{N_{out}}{N_{in}}$

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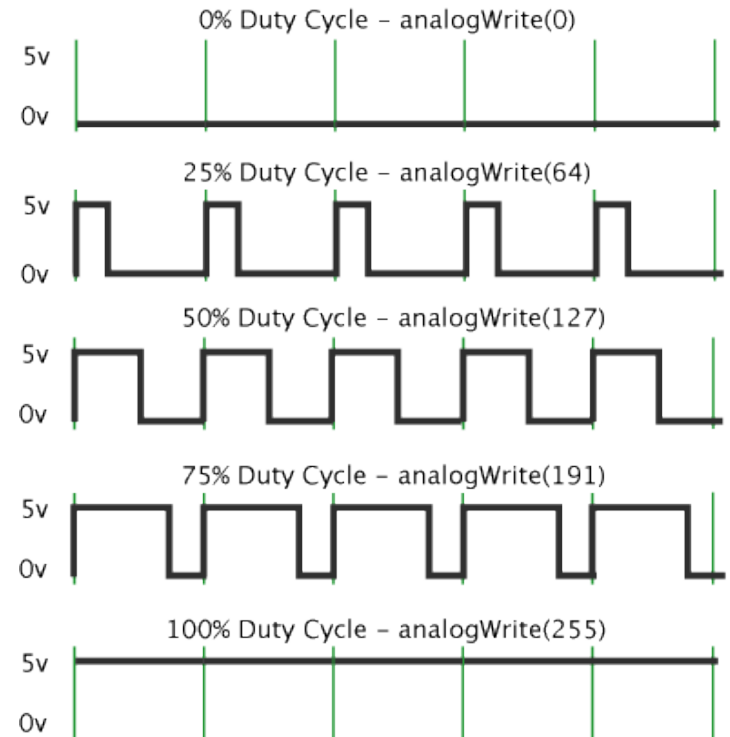


DC Motor Theory – PWM and H-Bridges

- ▶ PWM – Pulse Width Modulation
- ▶ Changes Voltage across Battery
 - ▶ Scales RPM, Torque, Proportionally
 - ▶ No magical torque comes out when RPM goes down!
- ▶ H – Bridges – Directional Control
- ▶ of Motor



Pulse Width Modulation



<http://arduino.cc/it/Tutorial/PWM>

DC Motor Theory

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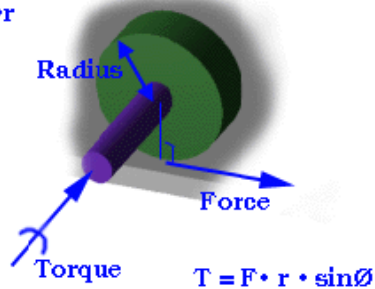
- ▶ Everything in DC Motor linearly Scales. It's beautiful!
- ▶ Torque vs Speed Relationship

$$\tau_{\text{motor}} = \tau_s - \omega \tau_s / \omega_n$$

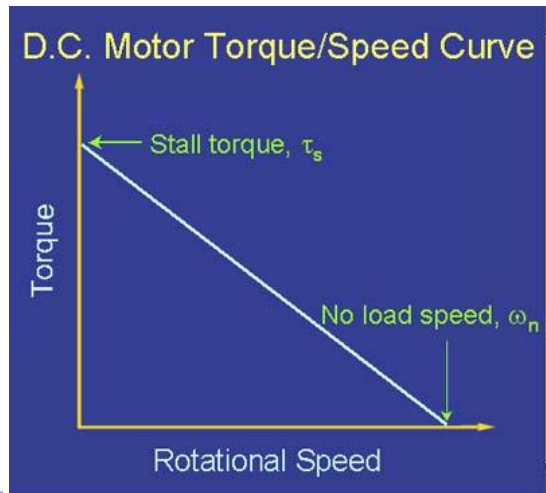
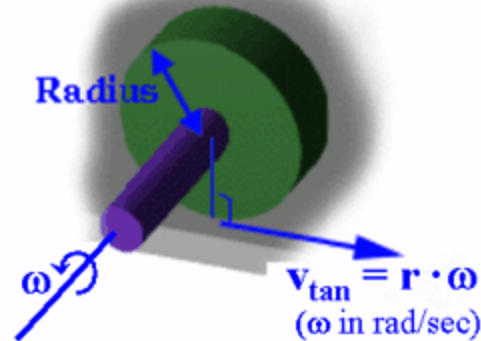
$$\omega_{\text{motor}} = (\tau_s - \tau) \omega_n / \tau_s$$

For the case of a wheel or winch the force is always tangent.

$$T = F \cdot r$$

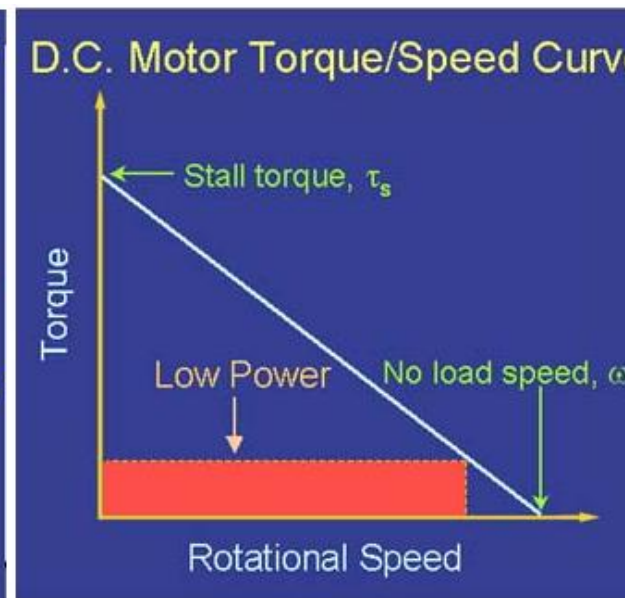
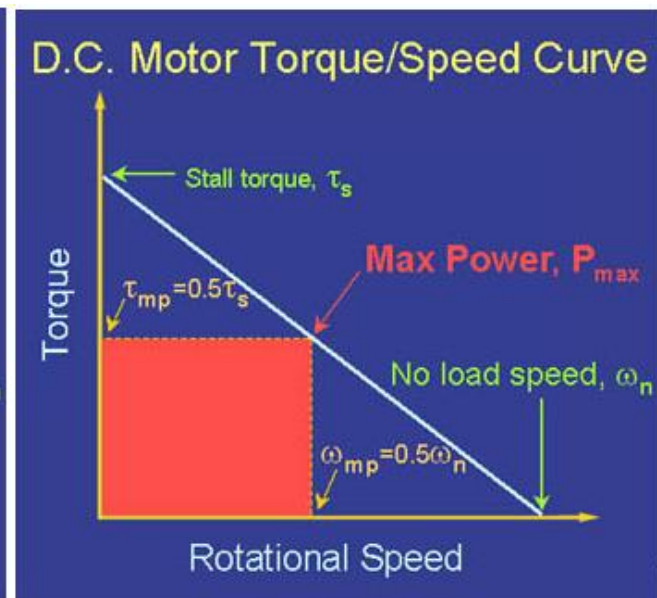
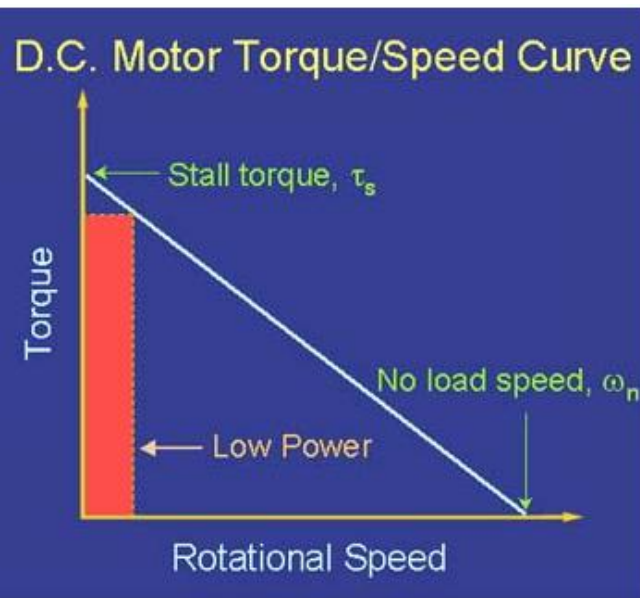


Angular Velocity



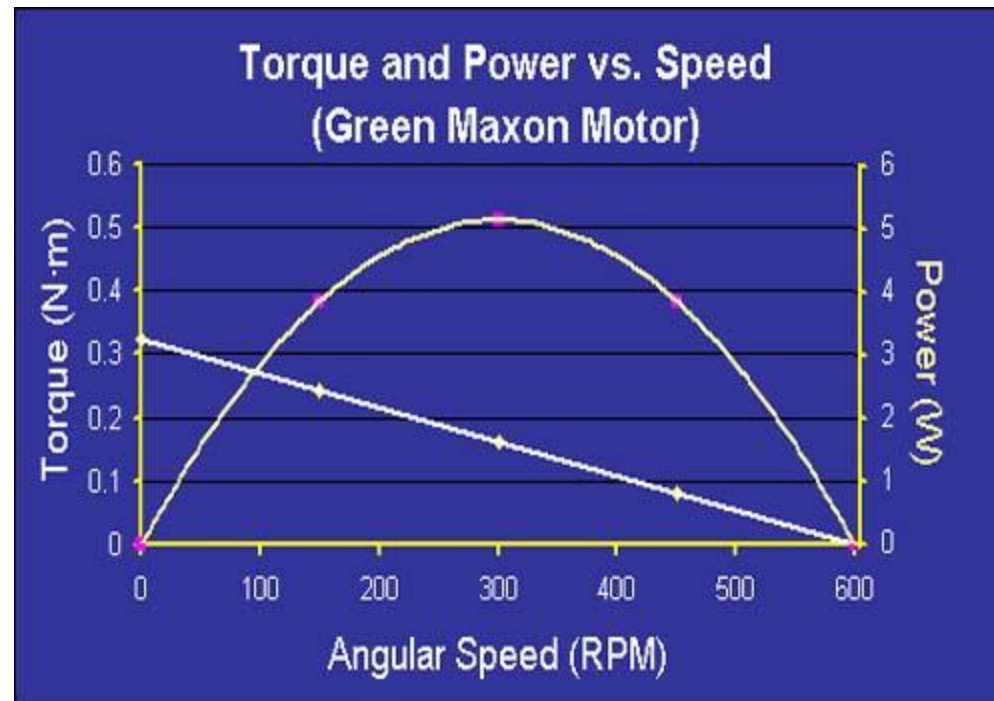
DC Motor Theory

- ▶ Power = Torque * Rotational Velocity (in radians)
- ▶ Max Power Occurs at $\frac{1}{2}$ Stall Torque and $\frac{1}{2}$ Rotational Speed



DC Motor Theory

- ▶ Plotting Torque & Power vs Speed
 - ▶ Further shows that Max Power occurs at $\frac{1}{2}$ Torque and $\frac{1}{2}$ Speed



DC Motor Theory – Usefulness?

▶ Remember Gear Ratios?

- ▶ 6.270 DC Motors are very high RPM and very low Torque.
- ▶ Gear Ratios scale
 - ▶ Use G.R. to amplify torque outputs
 - ▶ When Torque Increases, Velocity Decreases

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▶ Other Usefulness:

- ▶ K_t : Nm/A : How much Torque is provided for a given current passing through Motor
- ▶ K_v : RPM of motor for given V

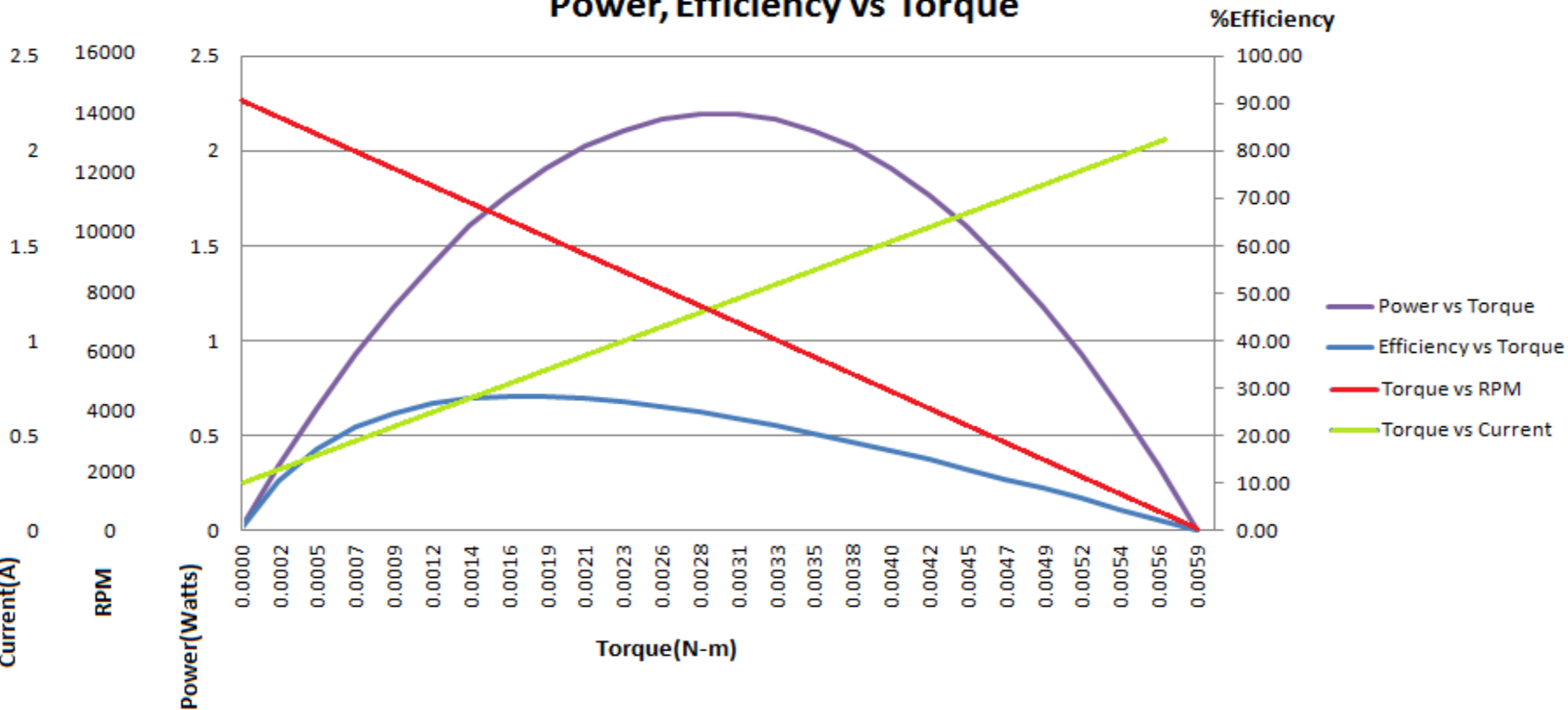


DC Motor Theory

- ▶ Useful Visualization: Given a Required Torque of 1 N-m, Find a Gear Ratio that maximizes near Efficiency

RPM, Current

Power, Efficiency vs Torque



DC Motor Theory

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- ▶ Everything you need to know about a Motor's characteristics (K_t , K_v , K_e , Efficiency, Power, Graph, etc) can be derived from these scalar values
- ▶ Be sure to Download the 6.270 DC Motor Excel Graph to see how the math works.
- ▶ For the Lazy: Simply Input Torque and you Get Everything

	Torque Input(N-m)	vs RPM	vs Current(A)	vs Power(W)	vs %Efficiency
Input Torque	0.005	2110.7	1.9	1.1	8.2
At Max Power	0.00293	7146.0	1.3	2.2	24.2

