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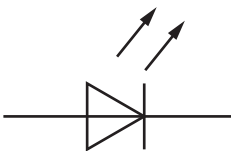

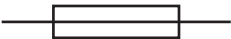
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1. The table below gives information about some circuit components.
 Some of the boxes have been left blank.

(a) Complete the table for the missing entries.

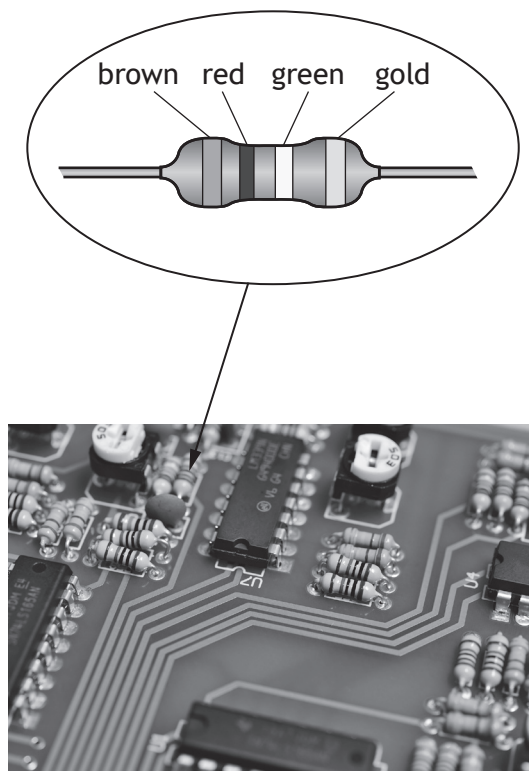
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Component name	Symbol	Function
Light emitting diode		Emits light indicating a current flow
MOSFET transistor		
Motor		Converts electrical energy to kinetic energy
		To protect wiring from too much current

1. (continued)

(b) A technician is examining the circuit board shown below when a fault is discovered.

A resistor with an incorrect value has been used.



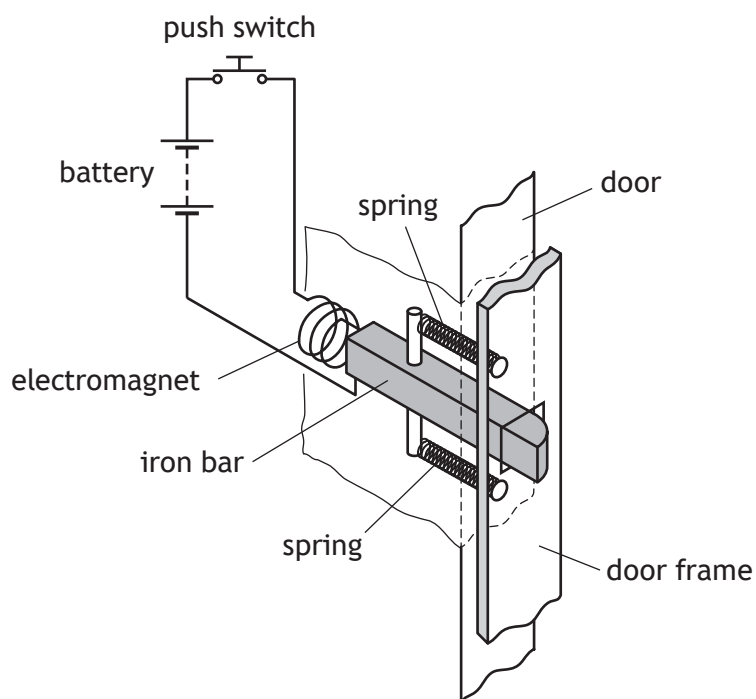
Use the information in the data sheet to answer the questions below.

(i) Determine the resistance of the resistor. 1

(ii) The technician replaces the incorrect component with a resistor of value 600Ω which has a 2% tolerance.
Determine the minimum and maximum resistance of the resistor. 2

2. A remote entry system for a block of flats allows a resident to unlock the outside door from inside their flat.

Part of this system is shown in the diagram below.



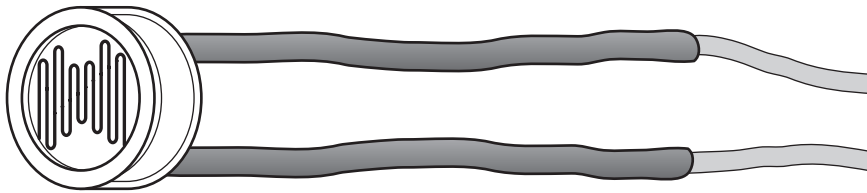
- (a) Explain how this part of the system operates to unlock the door.

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2. (continued)

- (b) A light dependent resistor and sleeving is connected to a process board by two wires as shown in the picture below.



- (i) Name the wiring technique shown.

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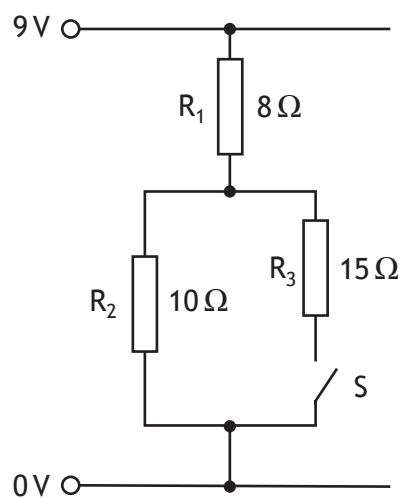
- (ii) State why this technique is used.

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3. A circuit diagram is shown below.



Switch S is **open**.

(a) (i) Calculate the total resistance of the circuit.

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Space for working and answer

(ii) Calculate the current in the circuit.

3

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3. (a) (continued)

(iii) Calculate the power dissipated in resistor R_1 .

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(b) Switch S is now closed.

Calculate the effective resistance of R_2 and R_3 in parallel.

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4. There are many different types of logic gates used in electronic circuits.

(a) Draw the circuit symbol for a NAND gate.

1

(b) The truth table for a logic gate is shown below.

A	B	Output
0	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	0

Name the logic gate that produces this truth table.

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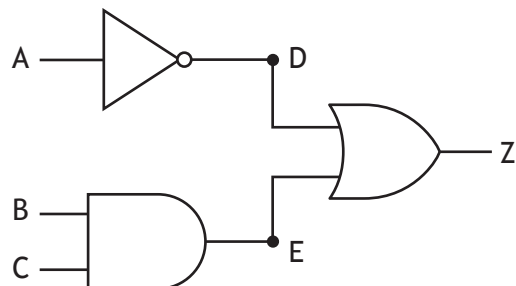


4. (continued)

Many electronic devices use several logic gates connected to one another.

(c) Complete the truth table for the logic circuit shown below.

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A	B	C	D	E	Z
0	0	0			
0	0	1			
0	1	0			
0	1	1			
1	0	0			
1	0	1			
1	1	0			
1	1	1			

(An additional truth table, if required, can be found on page 20)

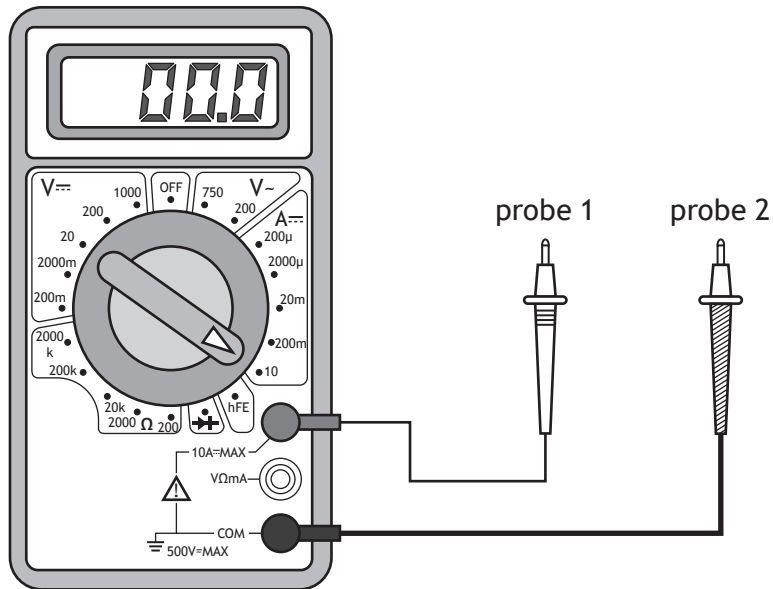
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5. A student wants to measure the **voltage** across a component in a circuit and sets up the multimeter as shown below.

(a) Identify the two errors the student has made.

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Error 1:

Error 2:



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5. (continued)

(b) The student is given a resistor with no colour markings.

Describe how the student would set up and use a multimeter to accurately measure the resistance of the resistor.

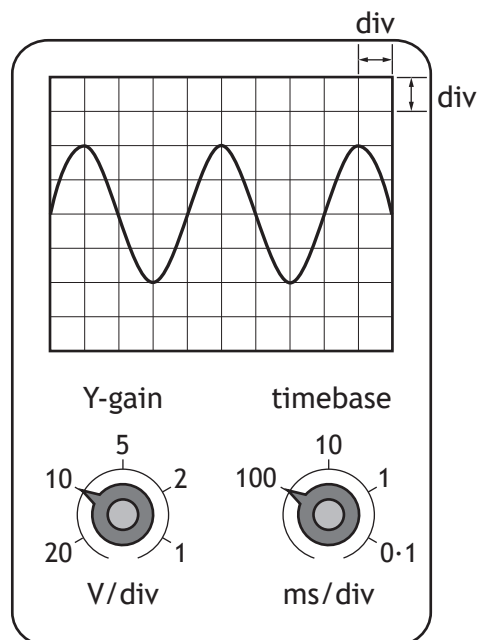
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6. An oscilloscope is connected to show the output trace from a signal generator. The trace is shown on the screen. The Y-gain and timebase settings are also shown.

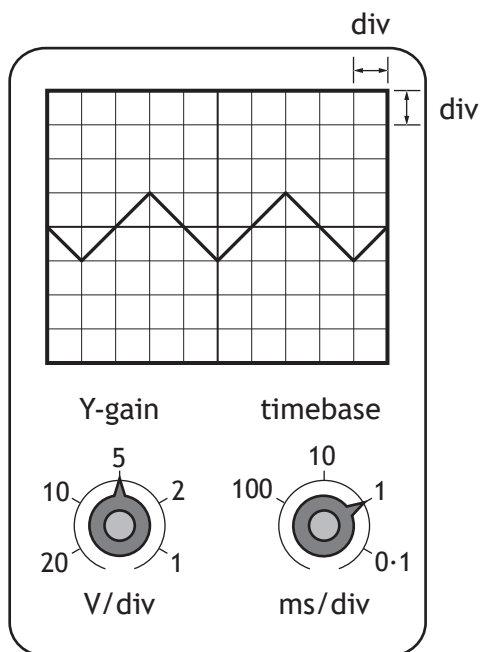


- (a) Determine the frequency of the signal.
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6. (continued)

The output from the signal generator was changed to produce the trace shown below.

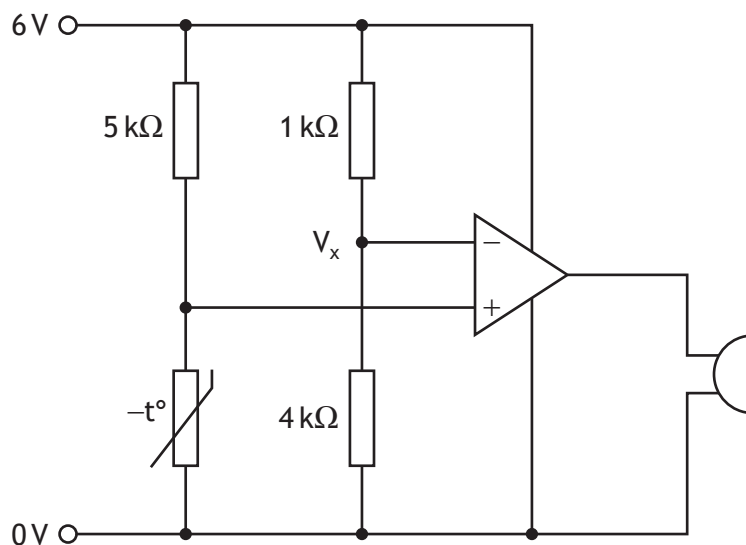


(b) State whether the signal is analogue or digital.

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7. A low temperature warning system is controlled using a LM741 comparator circuit as shown in the simulation below.



- (a) Calculate the reference voltage V_x .

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Space for working and answer

- (b) State the resistance of the thermistor when the voltage across it is equal to the reference voltage V_x .

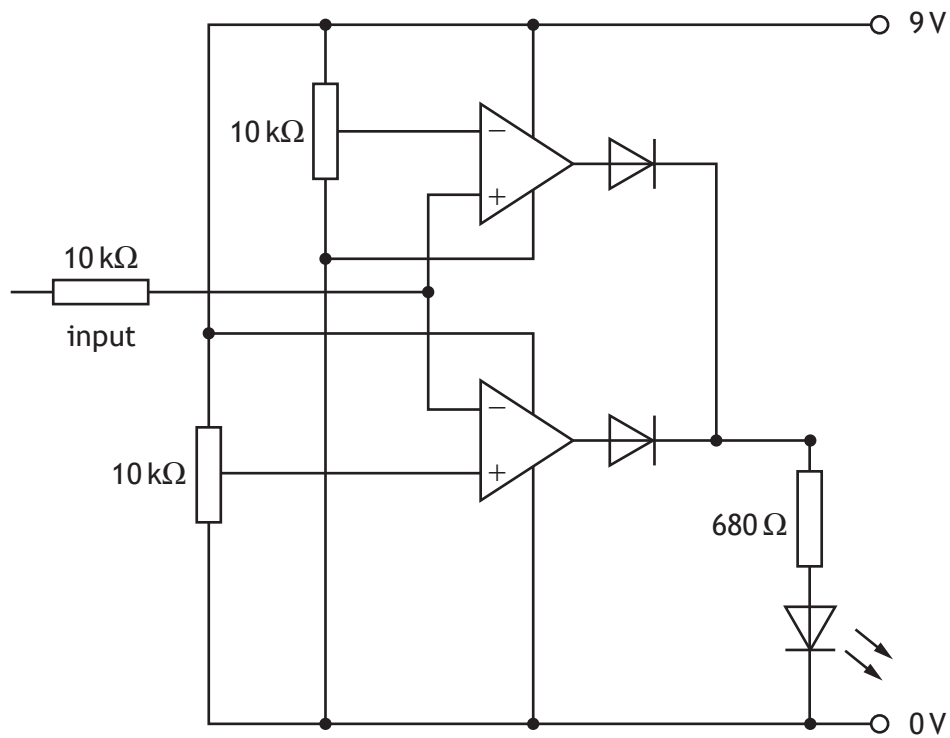
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- (c) Describe how this circuit works.

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8. A student simulated the circuit shown below.



(a) Complete the following table by giving **three** pre-power up checks for this circuit.

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Pre-power up checklist
Check both IC's orientation

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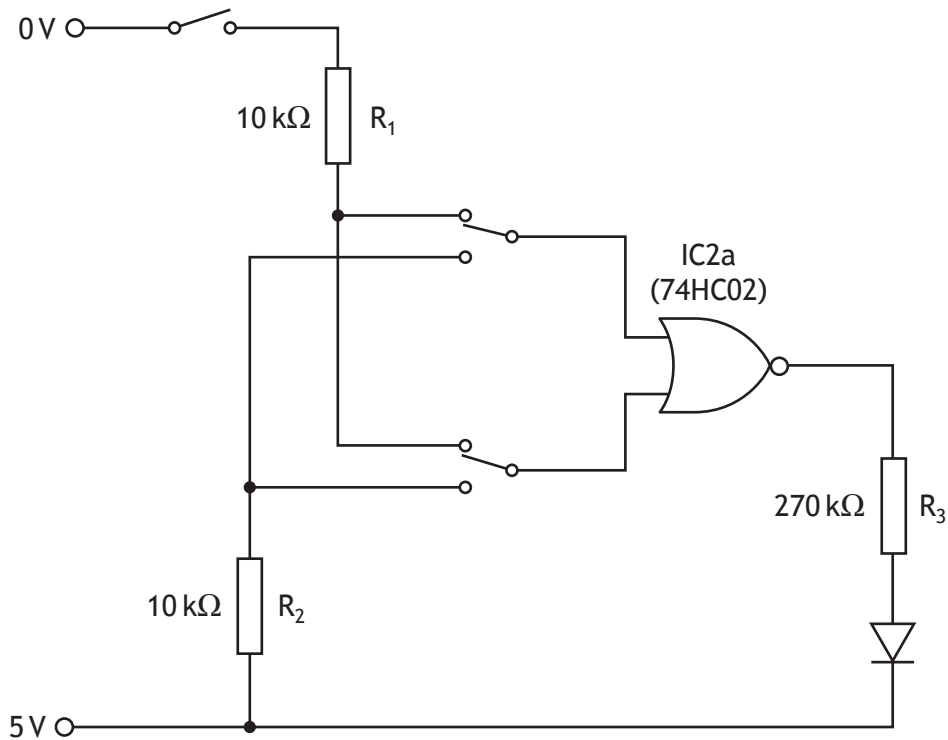
8. (continued)

(b) A student also produced a simulation of a circuit to logic test a single AND gate using a LED as the output device.

However the simulation does not work as specified.

Identify **the four** errors in the simulation below.

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Error 1:

Error 2:

Error 3:

Error 4:

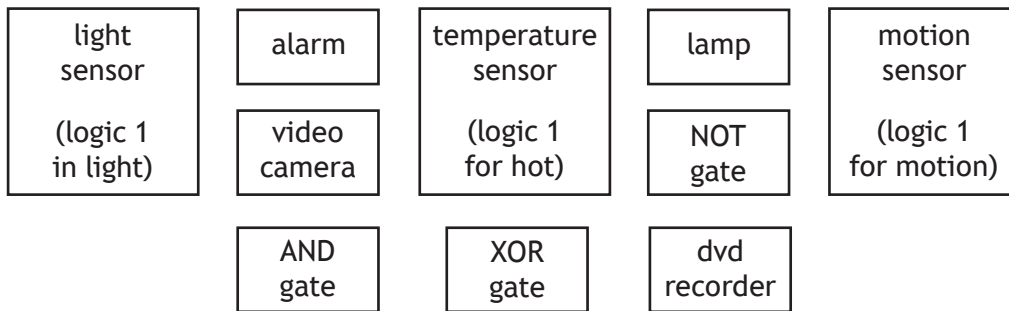


9. A security system for a house requires a lamp and an alarm to turn on when movement is detected outside the house. The security system only needs to operate at night.

Selecting from the elements given below, draw a block diagram of an electronic solution for the security system.

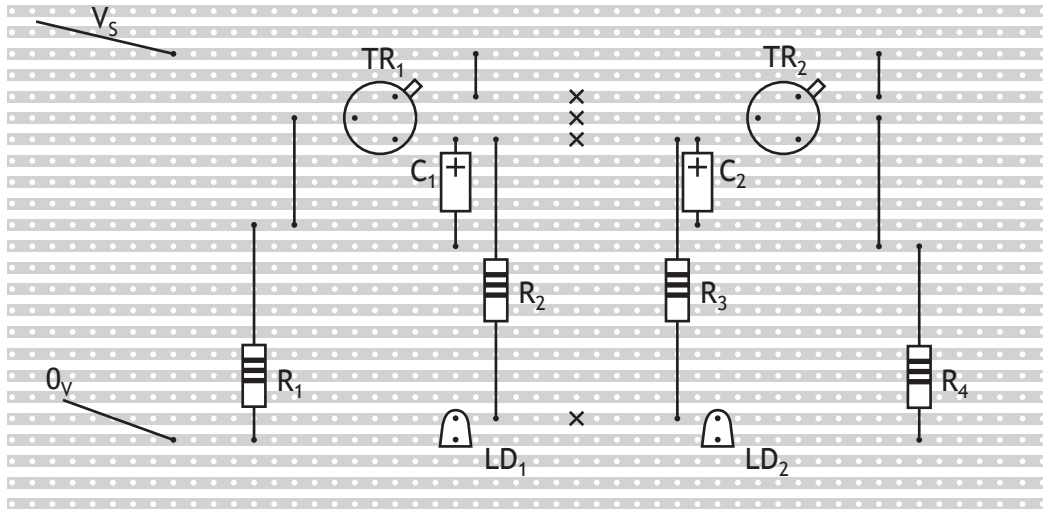
On your diagram, clearly indicate the input, process and output sections of your solution.

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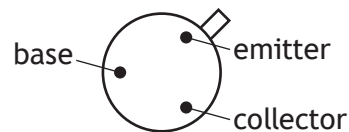
10. The stripboard plan shows a **component (top) view** of a circuit with the following layout.



Component data

- \$R_1\$ and \$R_4\$ – carbon film 2K2 0.25W
 - \$R_2\$ and \$R_3\$ – carbon film 390R 0.25W
 - \$C_1\$ – 100µF **electrolytic** capacitor
 - \$C_2\$ – 100µF **electrolytic** capacitor
 - \$LD_1\$ and \$LD_2\$ 5mm standard LED
 - \$TR_1\$ and \$TR_2\$ – BC179 **pn**p bipolar transistors
- X shows where a track has been cut

\$TR_1\$ and \$TR_2\$ pin connections



Draw a circuit diagram for this circuit.

Each component must be labelled.

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10. (continued)

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ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR ANSWERS

Additional truth table for question 4 (c)

A	B	C	D	E	Z
0	0	0			
0	0	1			
0	1	0			
0	1	1			
1	0	0			
1	0	1			
1	1	0			
1	1	1			



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Relationships required for National 5 Practical Electronics

$$V = IR$$

$$R_T = R_1 + R_2 + \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{R_T} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots$$

$$P = IV$$

$$P = I^2R$$

$$P = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

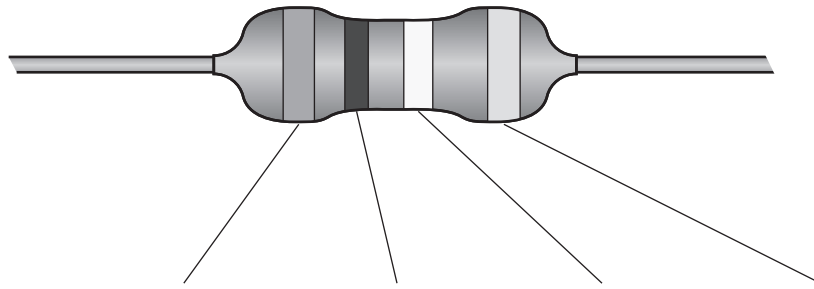
$$\frac{V_1}{V_2} = \frac{R_1}{R_2}$$

$$V_2 = \frac{R_2}{R_1 + R_2} \times V_s$$

$$f = \frac{1}{T}$$

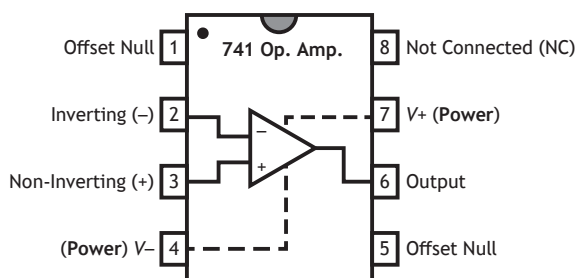
Resistor colour codes

4-band resistor

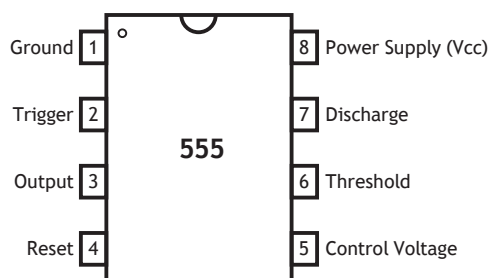


Colour	1st band value	2nd band value	Multiplier	Tolerances
Black	0	0	× 1	
Brown	1	1	× 10	±1%
Red	2	2	× 100	±2%
Orange	3	3	× 1000	±3%
Yellow	4	4	× 10000	±4%
Green	5	5	× 100000	±0.5%
Blue	6	6	× 1000000	±0.25%
Violet	7	7	× 10000000	±0.10%
Grey	8	8	× 100000000	±0.05%
White	9	9	× 1000000000	
Gold			× 0.1	±5%
Silver			× 0.01	±10%
No band				±20%

IC Pinout diagrams

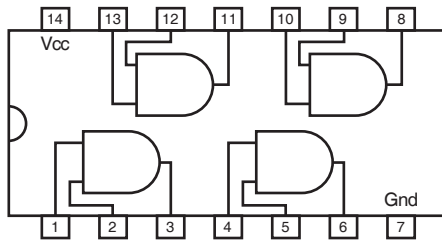


741 Op-amp

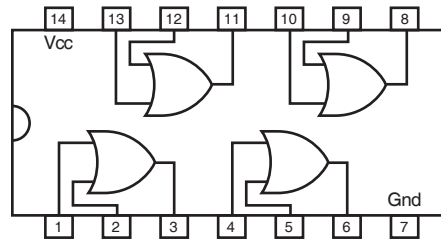


555 timer

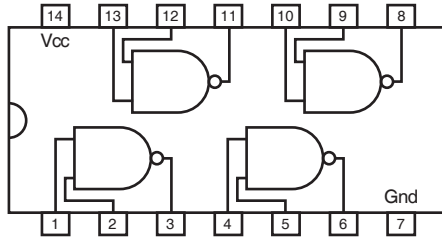
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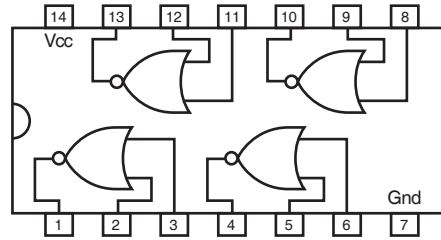
7408 Quad 2 input
AND Gates



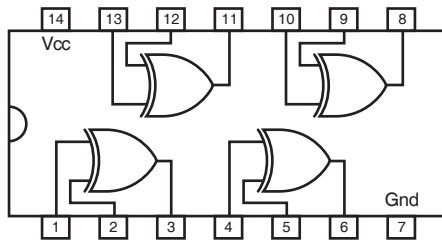
7432 Quad 2 input
OR Gates



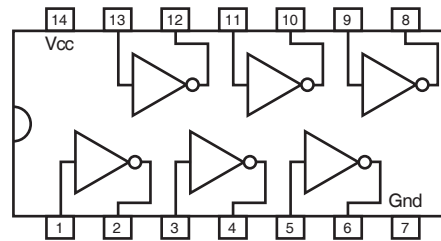
7400 Quad 2 input
NAND Gates



7402 Quad 2 input
NOR Gates



7486 Quad 2 input
XOR Gates



7404 Hex NOT Gates
(Inverters)

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