

# **ENERGY FLOW in INTERCONNECTED SYSTEMS**

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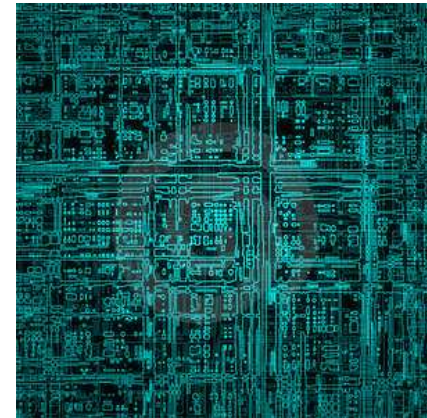
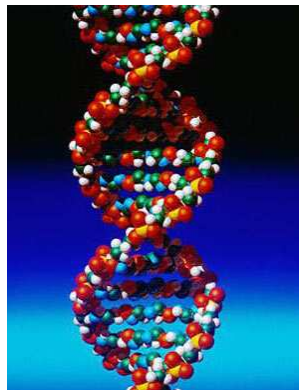
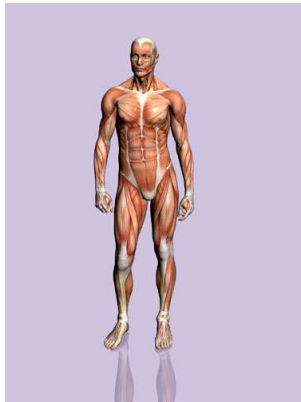
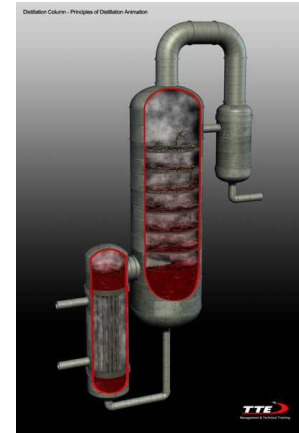
We deal only with electrical circuits and  
1-dimensional mechanical systems.

Other applications: hydraulic systems,  
chemical systems,  
thermal systems, ...

# SYSTEMS



OIL REFINERY (GVG / PD)



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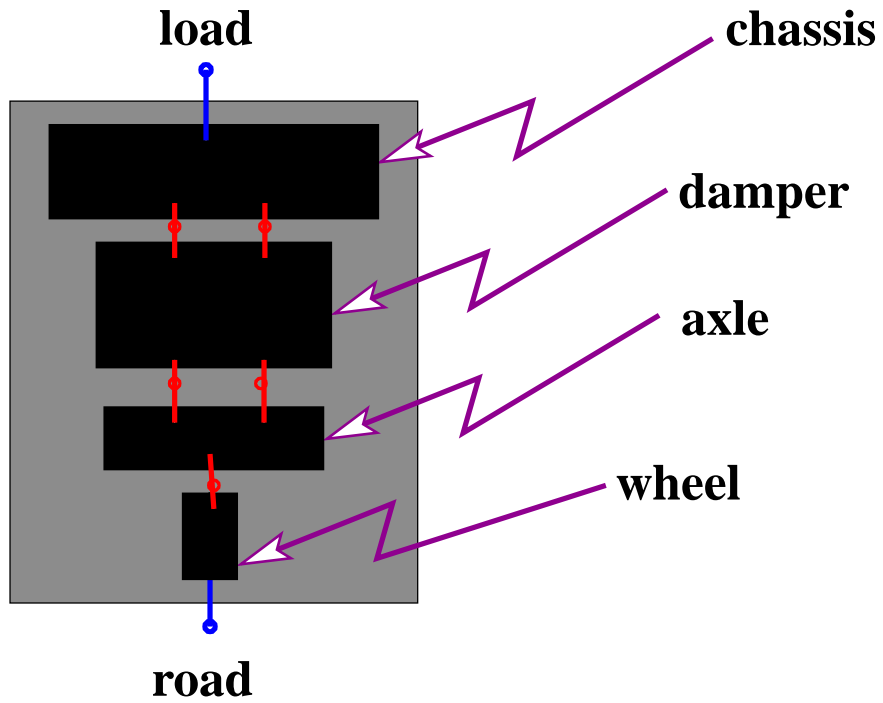
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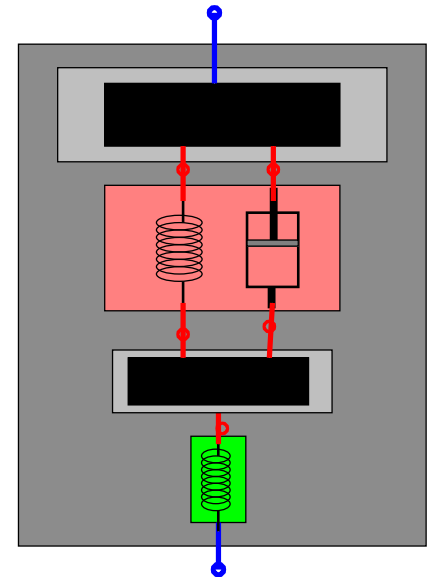
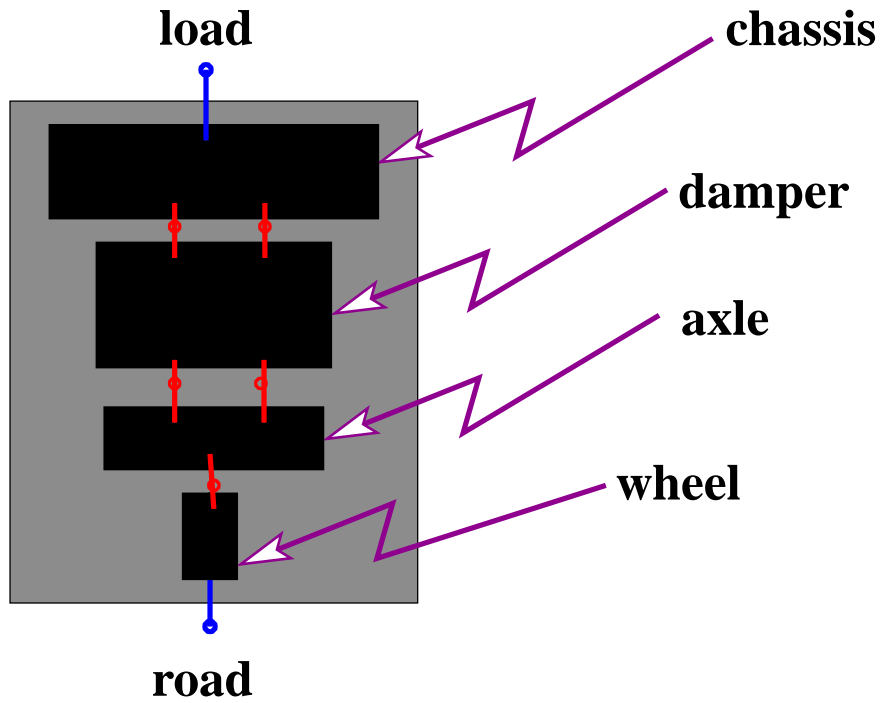
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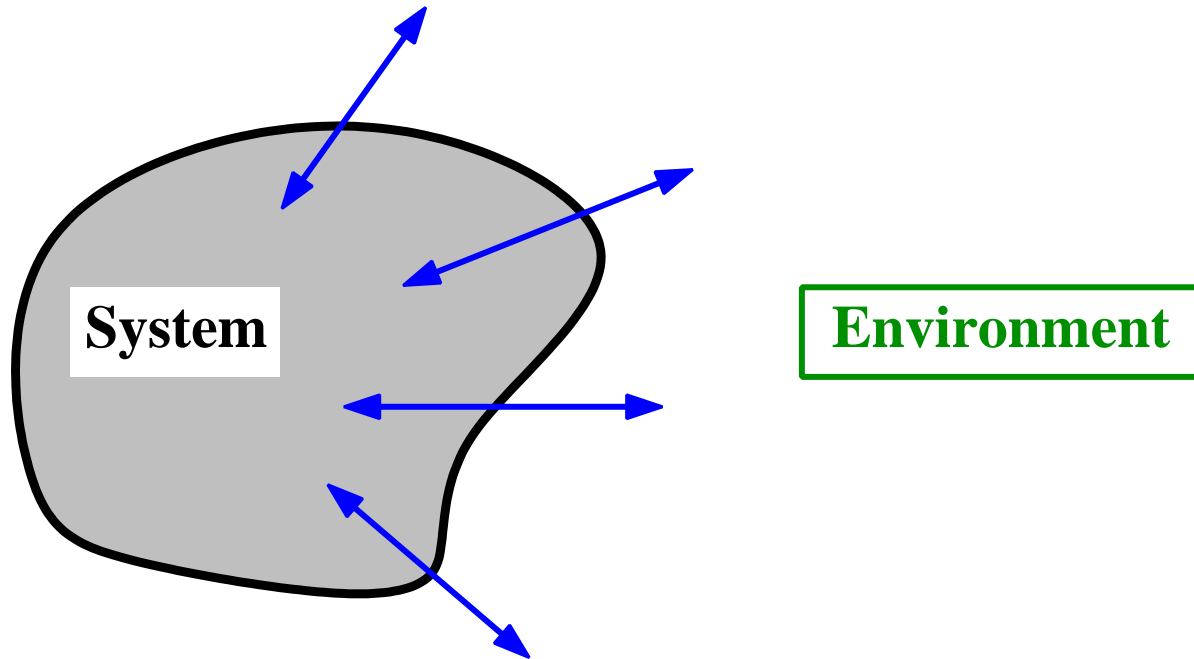




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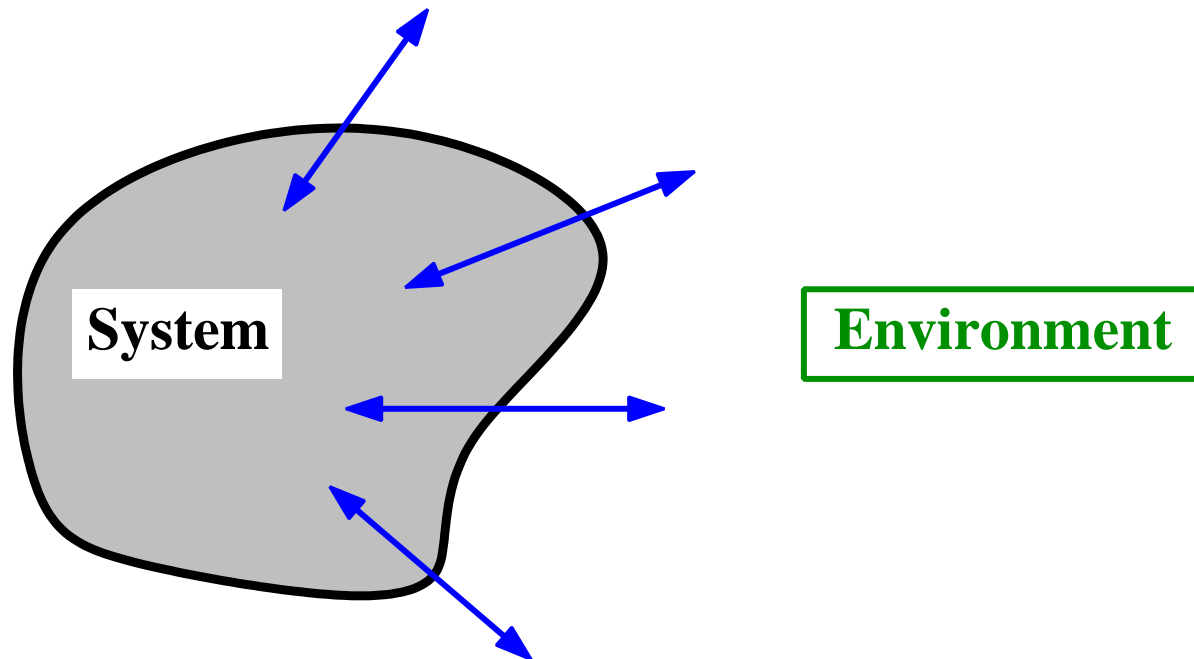


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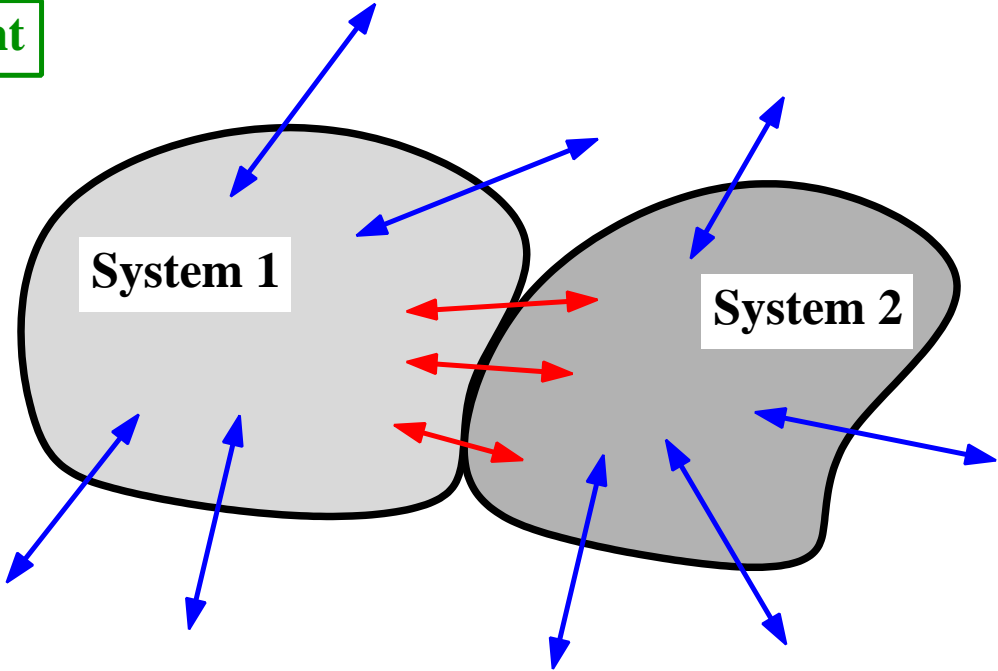
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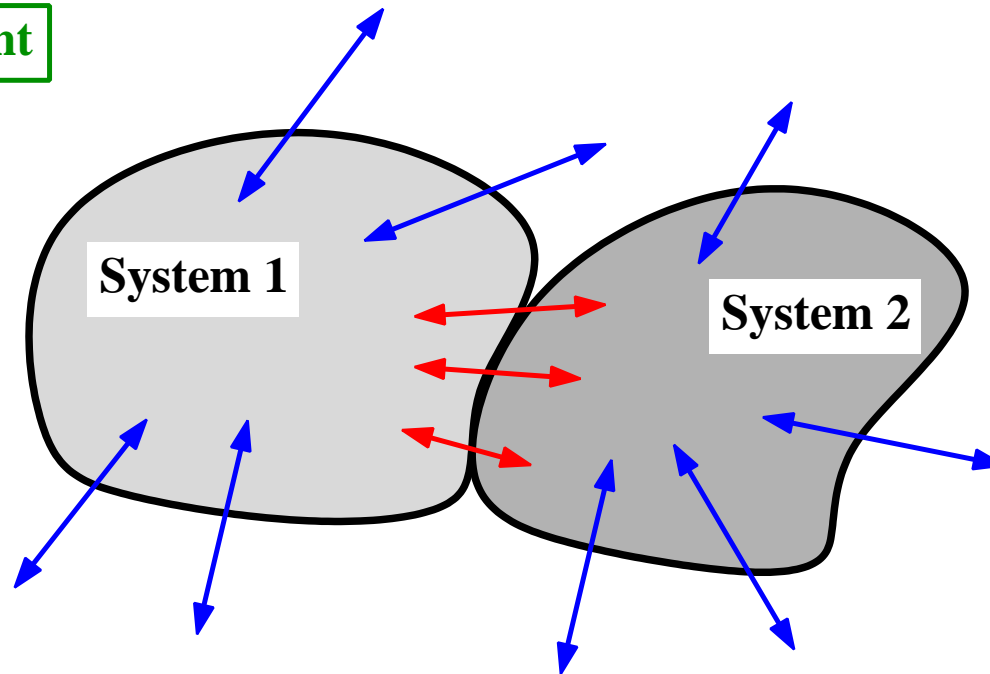


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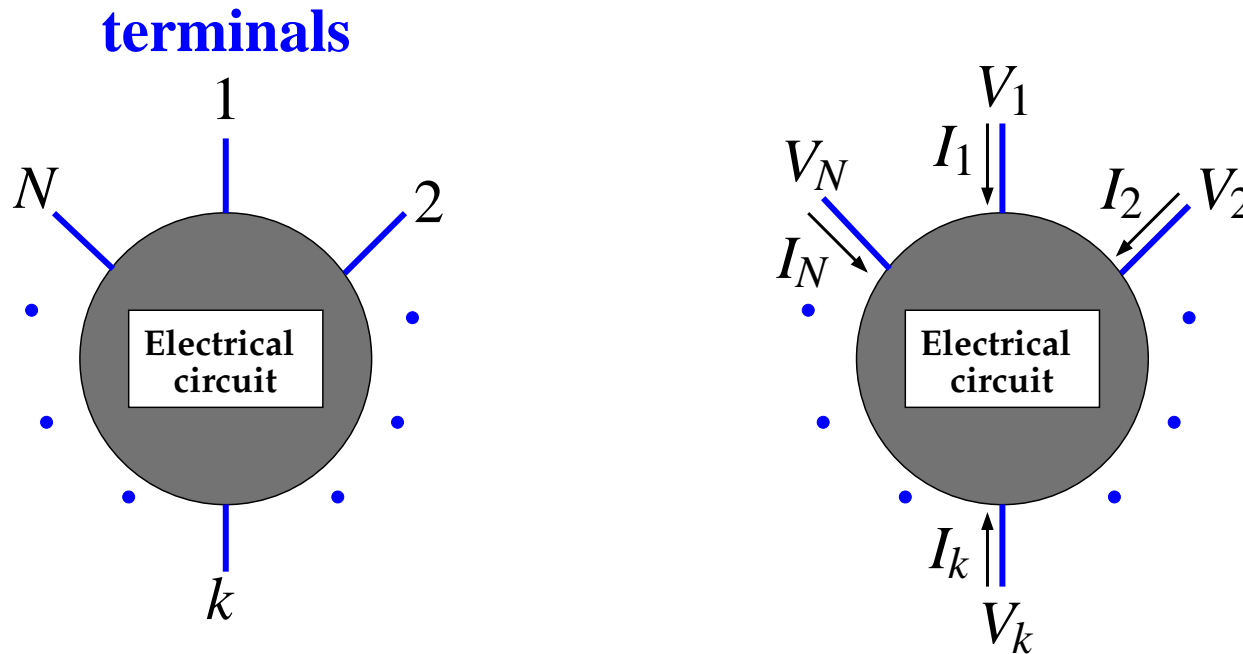
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**Requires the right mathematical concepts for**

- ▶ **dynamical system,**
- ▶ **interconnection,**
- ▶ **interconnection architecture.**

# **SYSTEMS with TERMINALS**

# Electrical circuit

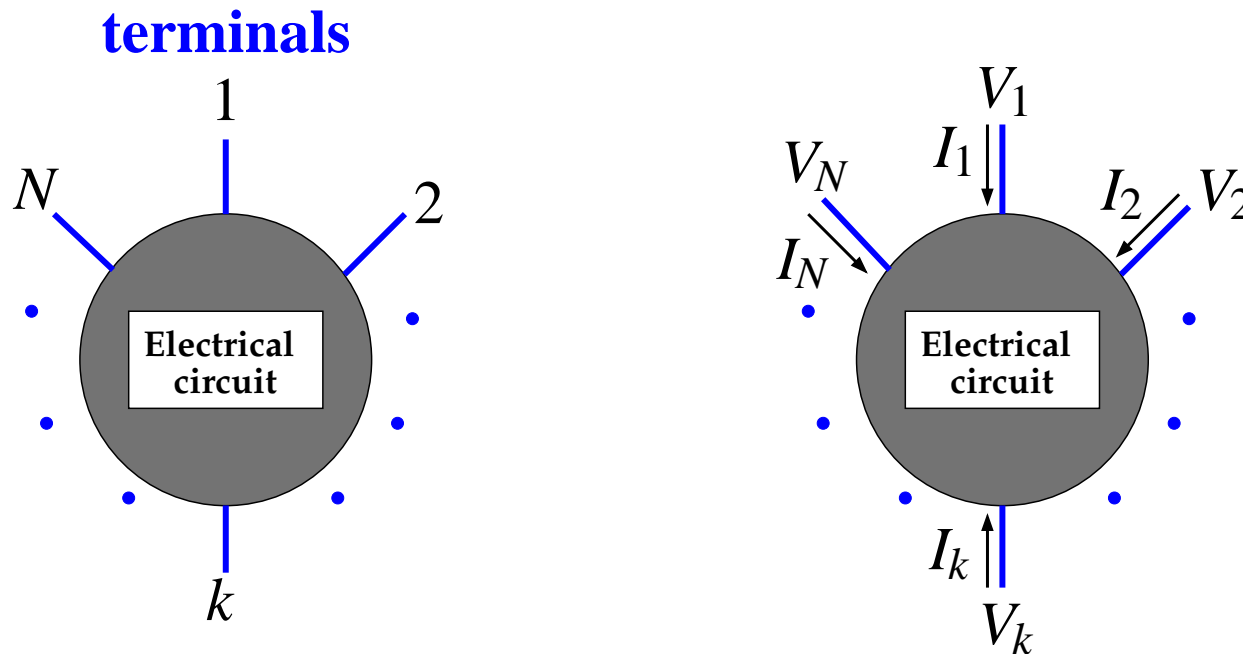


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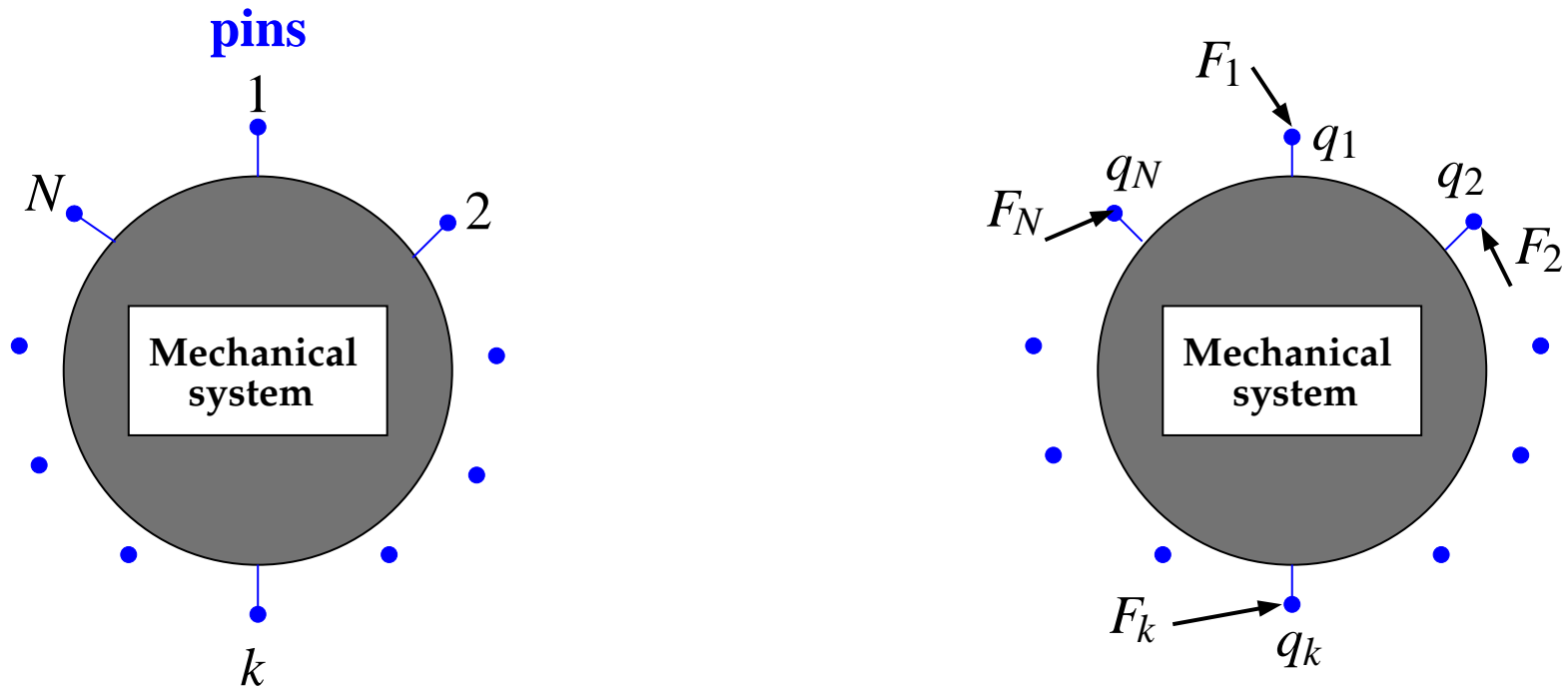
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$\rightsquigarrow$  **behavior**  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq (\mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^N)^{\mathbb{R}}$ .

$(V_1, V_2, \dots, V_N, I_1, I_2, \dots, I_N) \in \mathcal{B}$  means:

**this potential/current trajectory is compatible with the circuit architecture and its element values.**

# Mechanical device



At each terminal: a **position** and a **force**.

$\rightsquigarrow$  position/force trajectories  $(q, F) \in \mathcal{B} \subseteq ((\mathbb{R}^\bullet)^{2N})^{\mathbb{R}}$ .

More generally, a **position**, **force**, **angle**, and **torque**.

## Other domains

▶ Thermal systems:

At each terminal: a **temperature** and a **heat flow**.

▶ Hydraulic systems:

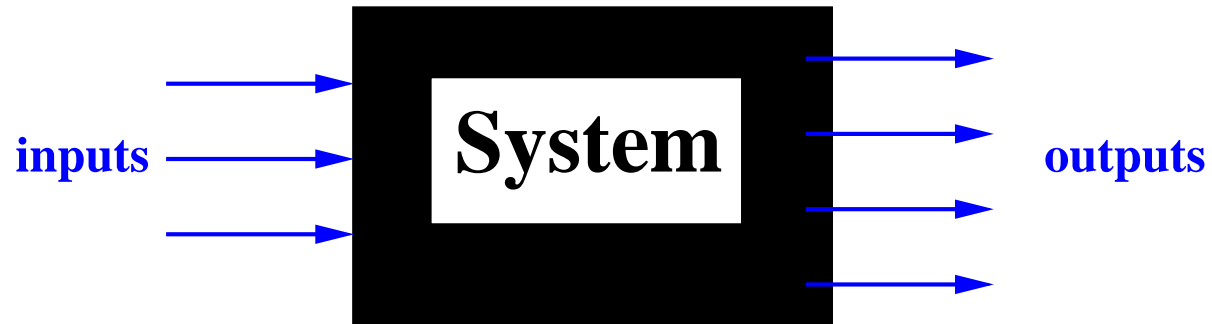
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▶ Multidomain systems:

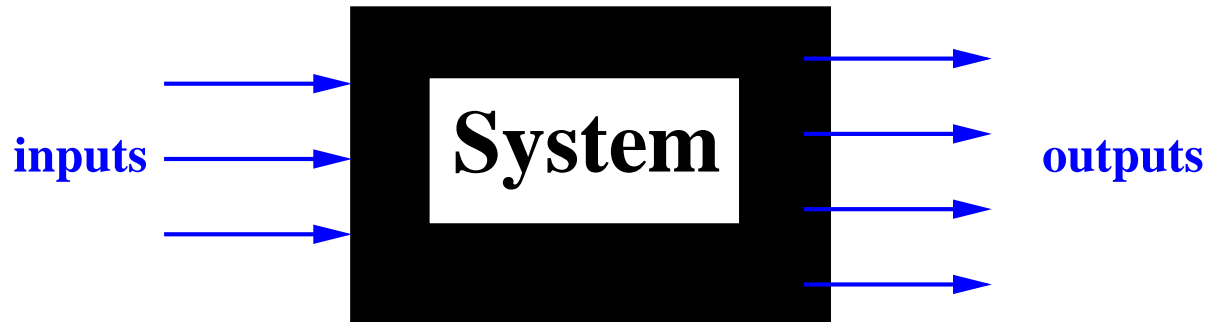
Systems with terminals of different types,  
as motors, pumps, etc.

▶ ...

# Contrast with **input/output systems**



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Input/output thinking is *inappropriate* for physical systems.

**A physical system is not a signal processor.**

This observation  $\leadsto$  behavioral approach with  $\mathcal{B}$  central.

Early sources:

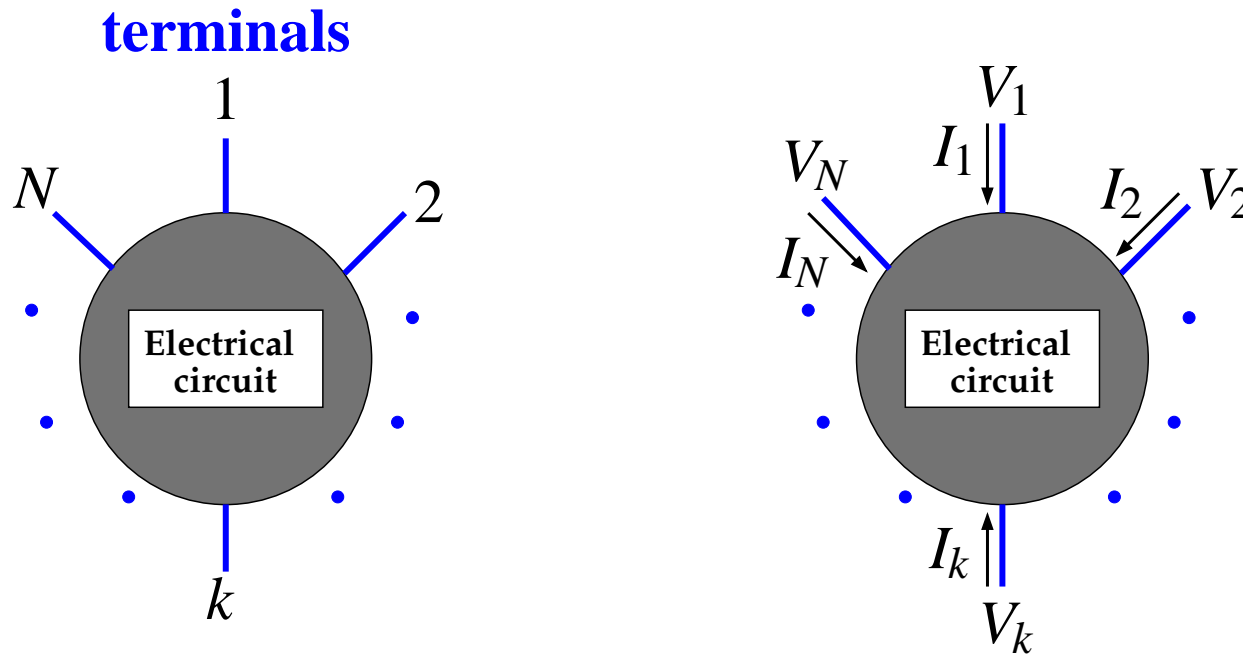


Brockway McMillan



Robert Newcomb

# KVL and KCL



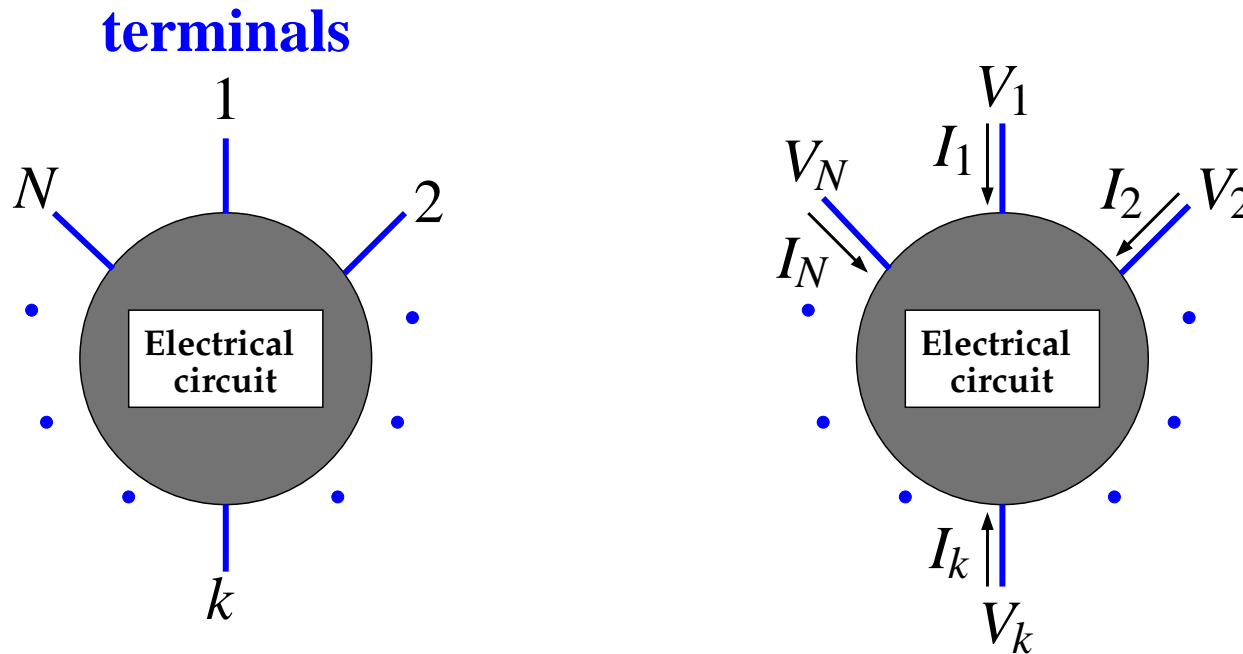
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**Equivalently, the behavioral equations contain the  $V_i$ 's only through the potential differences  $V_i - V_j$ .**

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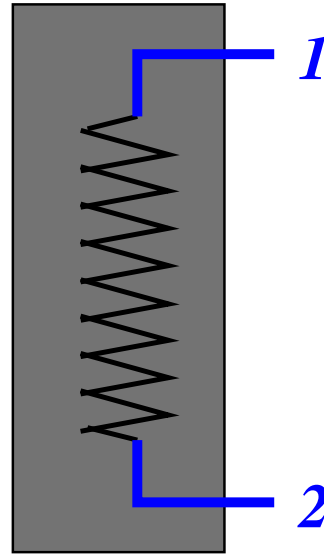
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$$\left[ (V_1, V_2, \dots, V_N, I_1, I_2, \dots, I_N) \in \mathcal{B} \right] \Rightarrow \left[ I_1 + I_2 + \dots + I_N = 0 \right].$$

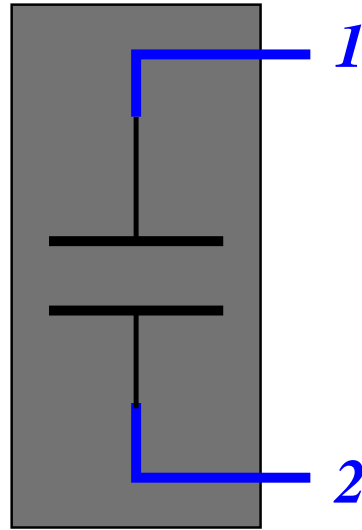
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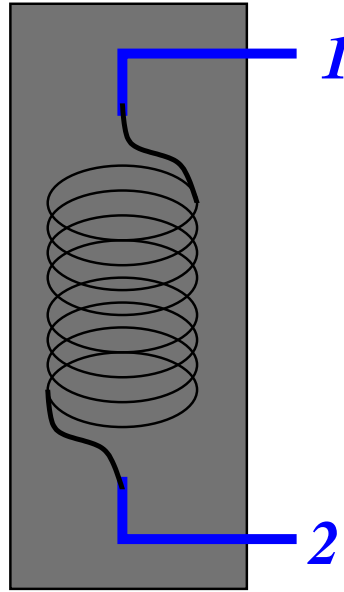


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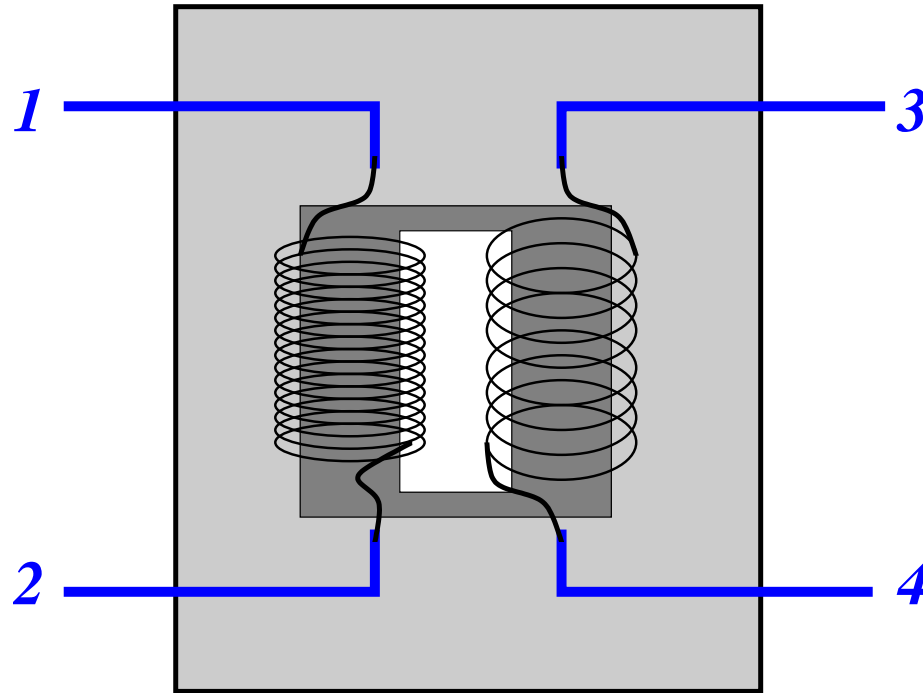
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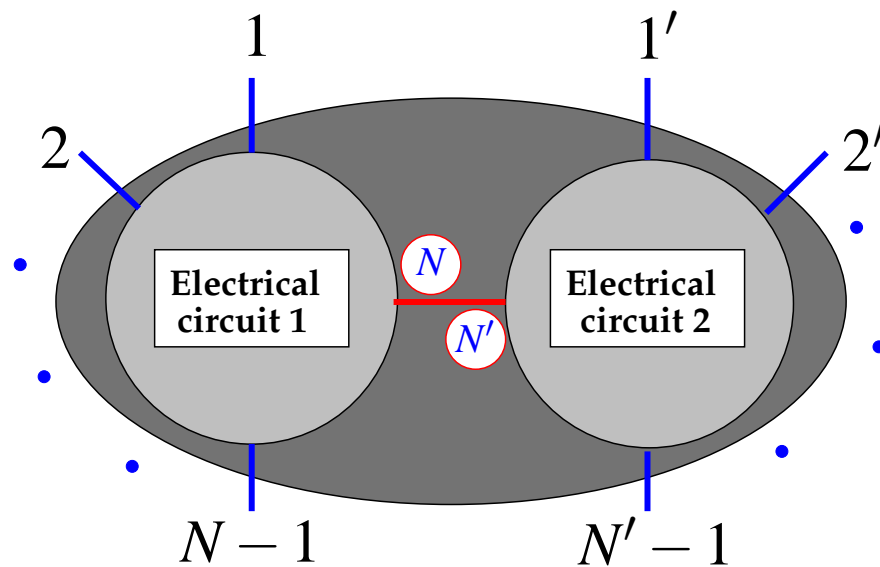
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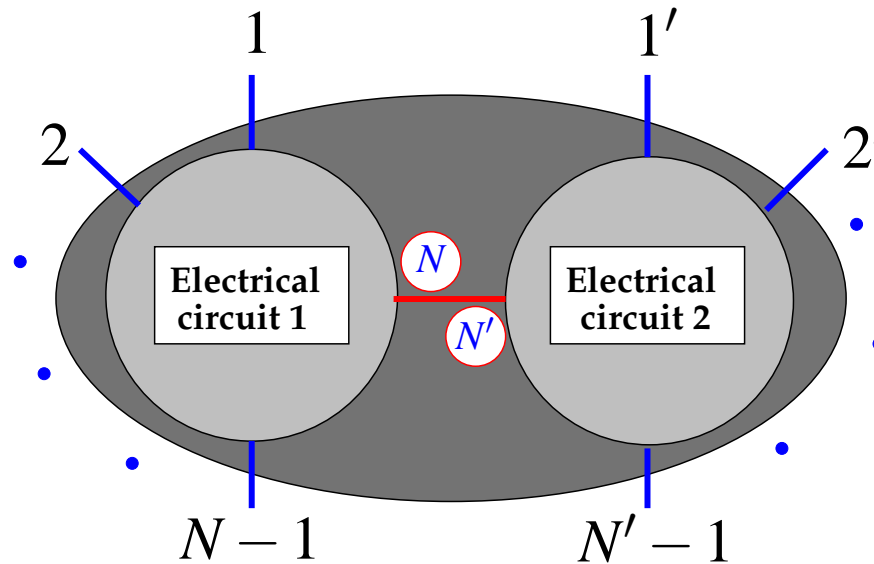
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**Behavior after interconnection:**

$$\mathcal{B}_1 \sqcap \mathcal{B}_2$$

$$:= \left\{ (V_1, \dots, V_{N-1}, V_{1'}, \dots, V_{N'-1}, I_1, \dots, I_{N-1}, I_{1'}, \dots, I_{N'-1}) \mid \right.$$

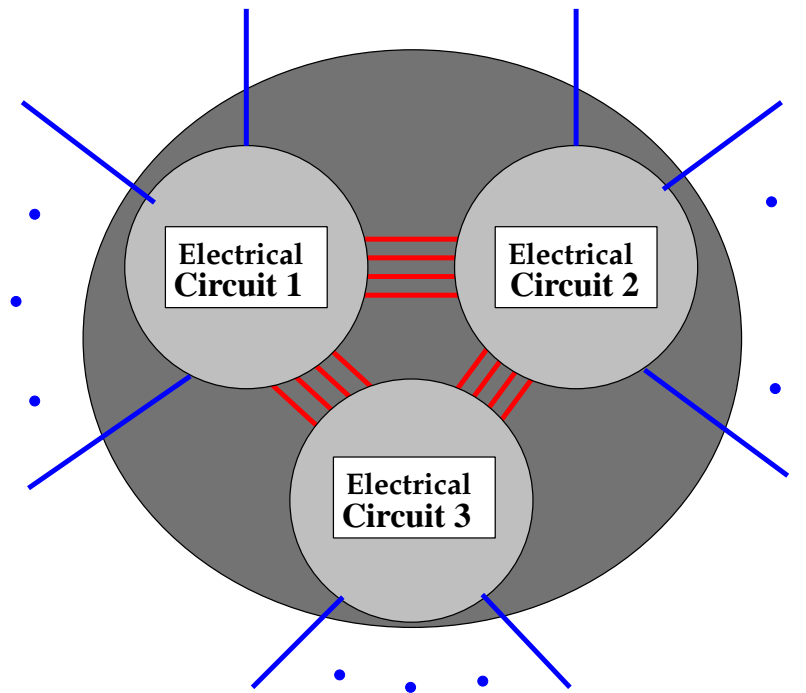
$\exists V, I$  such that

$$(V_1, \dots, V_{N-1}, V, I_1, \dots, I_{N-1}, I) \in \mathcal{B}_1 \quad \text{and}$$

$$(V_{1'}, \dots, V_{N'-1}, V, I_{1'}, \dots, I_{N'-1}, -I) \in \mathcal{B}_2 \left. \right\}.$$

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~> more terminals and more circuits connected

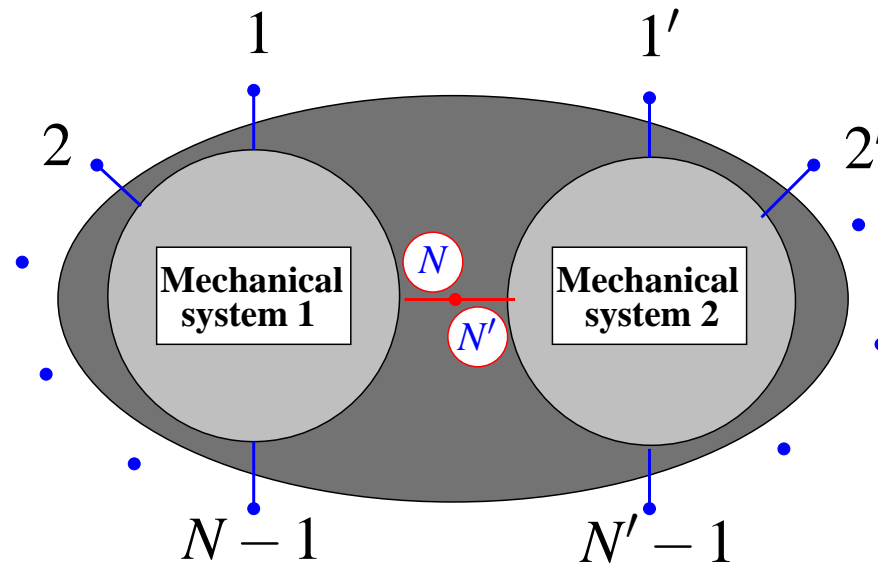


## Preservation of properties

- ▶  $[[\mathcal{B}_1, \mathcal{B}_2 \text{ satisfies KVL}]] \Rightarrow [[\text{so does } \mathcal{B}_1 \sqcap \mathcal{B}_2]]$
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# Interconnection of 1-D mechanical systems



$$q_N = q_{N'} \quad \text{and} \quad F_N + F_{N'} = 0.$$

## Other terminal types

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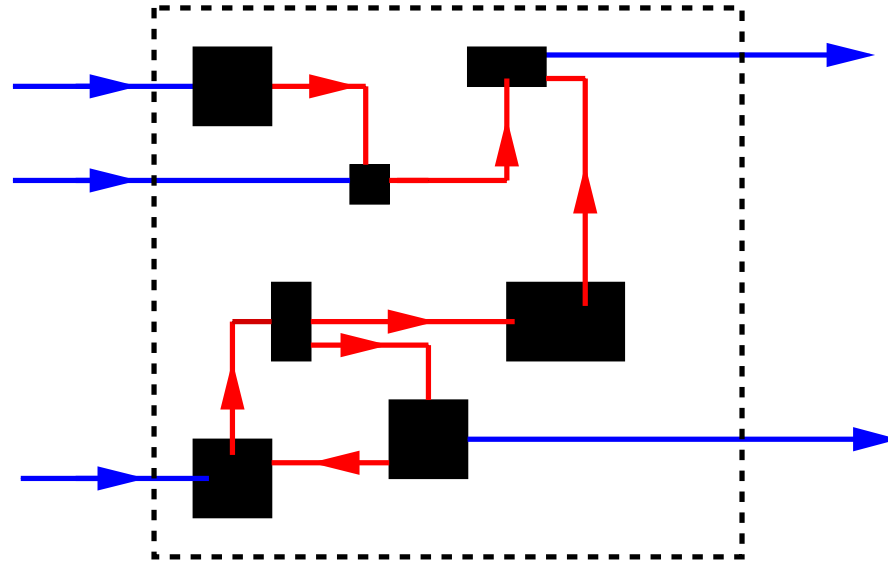
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**‘through’ and ‘across’?**

**‘effort’ and ‘flow’?**

**product = power?**

## Contrast with **signal flow graphs**



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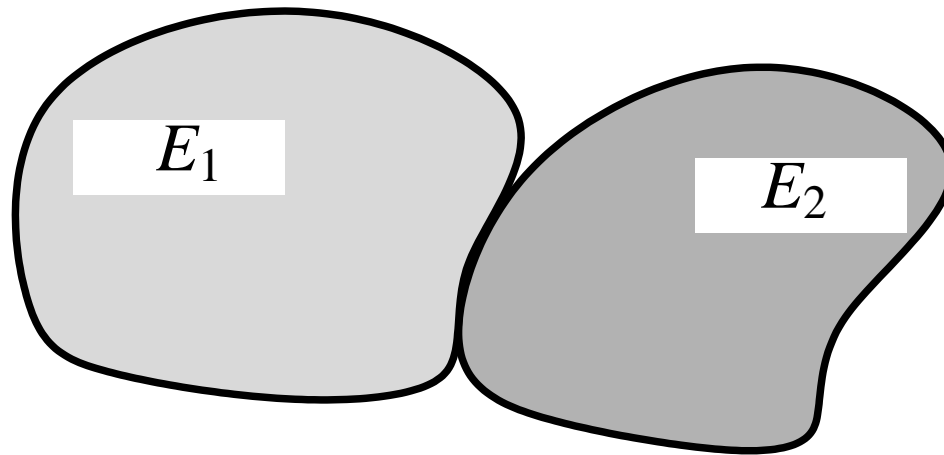
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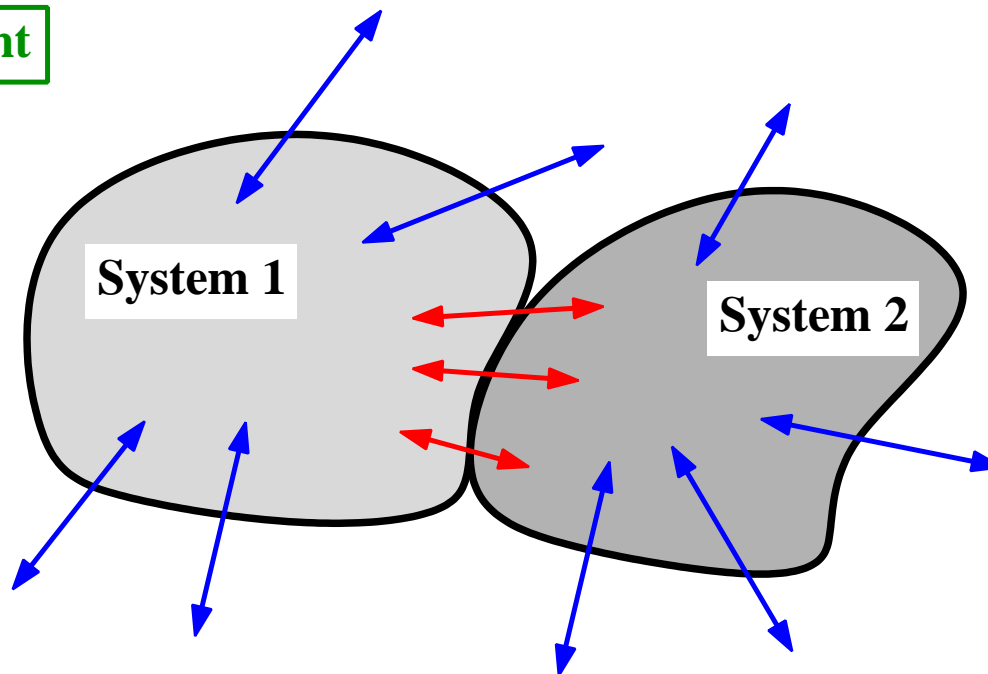
$$E_{\text{total}} = E_1 + E_2.$$



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**Some methodologies for modeling interconnected systems, as **bond-graph** modeling and **port-Hamiltonian** systems, are based on this thinking.**



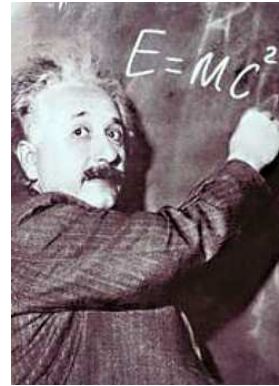
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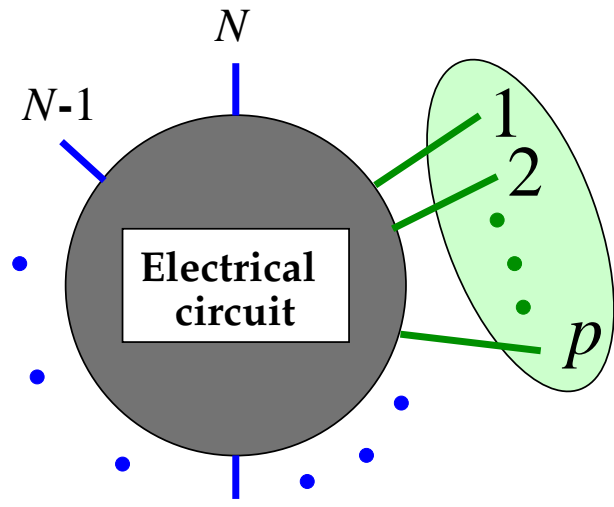
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**Energy and power are not a 'local' quantities.**

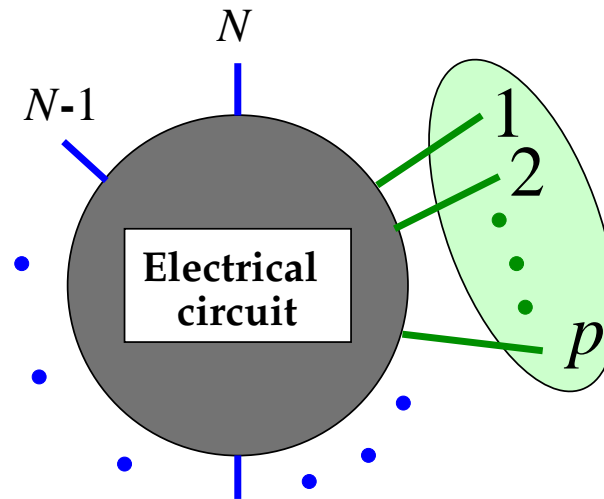
**They involve 'action at a distance'.**

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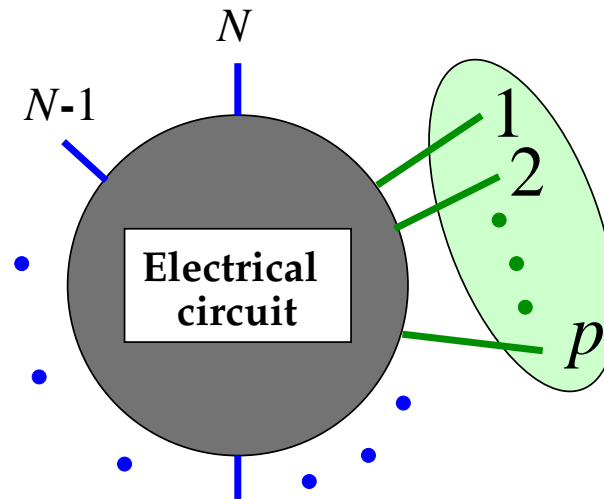
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$$\Rightarrow I_1 + \dots + I_p = 0. \quad \text{‘port KCL’}.$$

**(KVL &) KCL  $\Rightarrow$  all terminals together form a port.**



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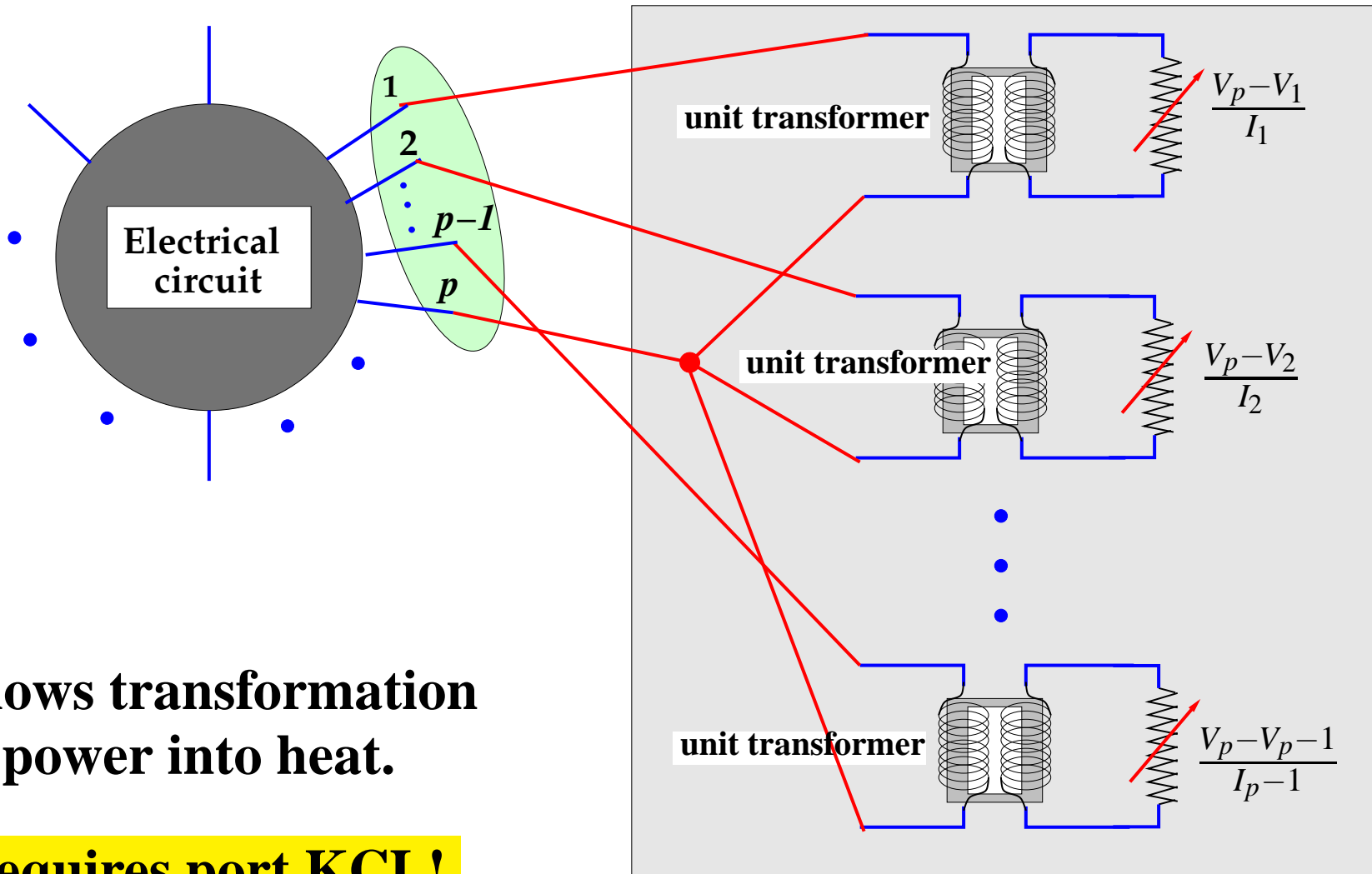
**power** in along these terminals =  $V_1(t)I_1(t) + \dots + V_p(t)I_p(t)$ ,

**energy** in =  $\int_{t_1}^{t_2} (V_1(t)I_1(t) + \dots + V_p(t)I_p(t)) dt$ .

**This interpretation in terms of power and energy is not valid unless these terminals form a port !**

# Dissipation into heat

## Justification:



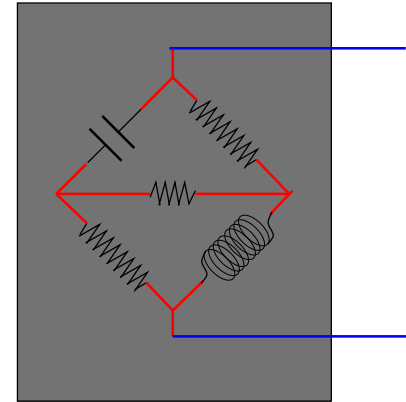
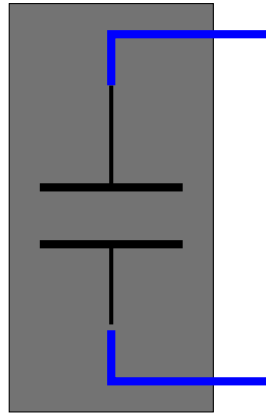
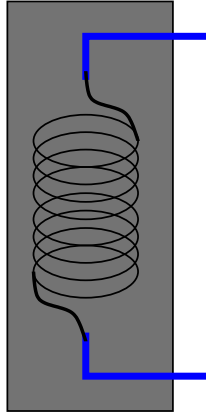
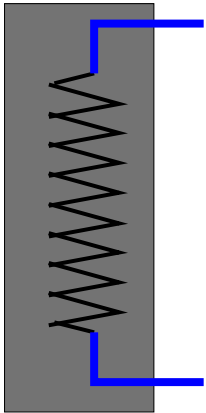
Shows transformation of power into heat.

Requires port KCL!

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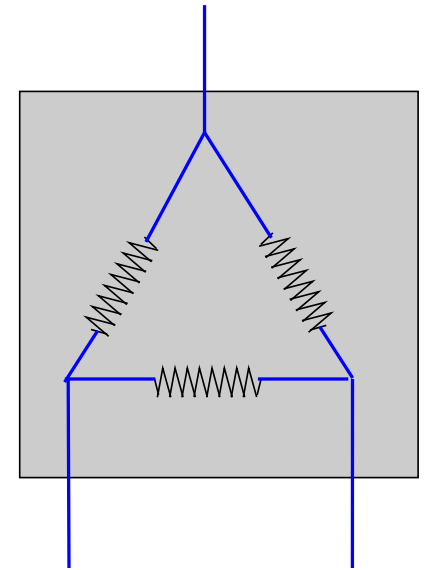
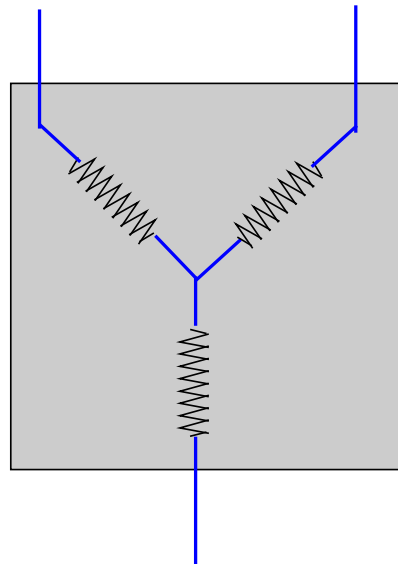
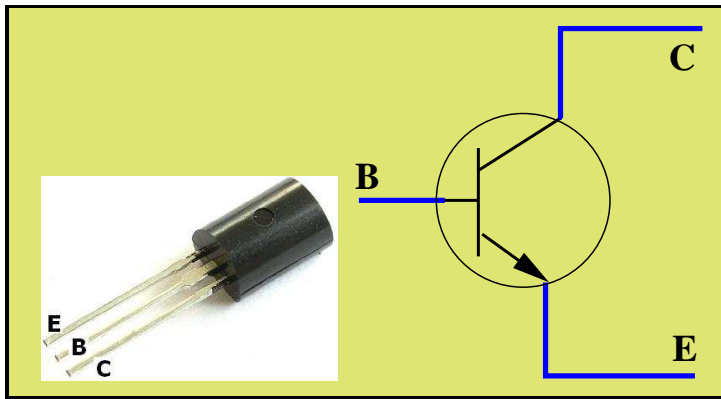
resistors, capacitors, inductors,  
any 2-terminal circuit composed of these.



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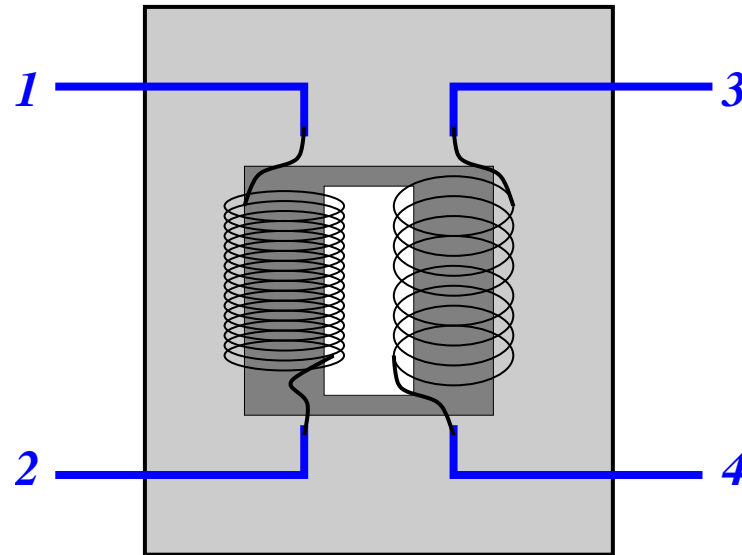
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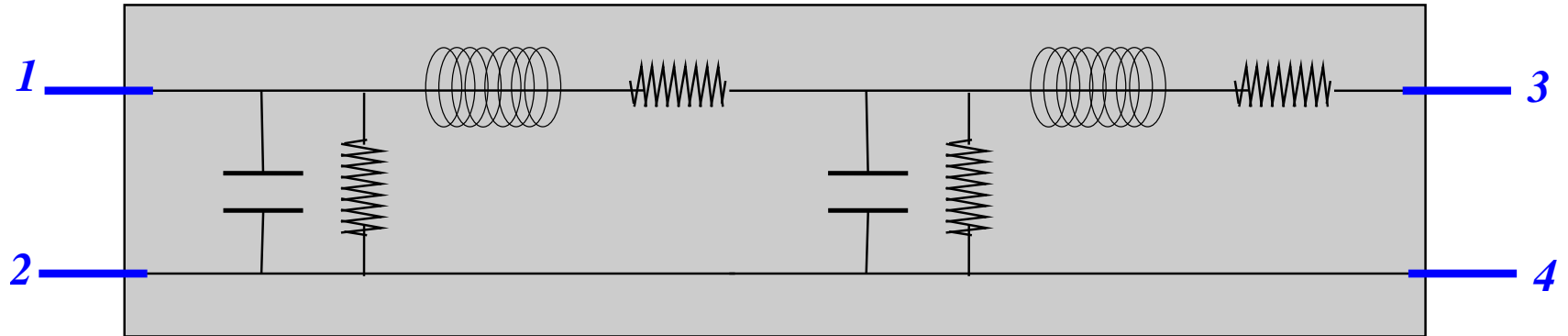
## 4-terminal 2-port devices:

**Transformers, gyrators.**



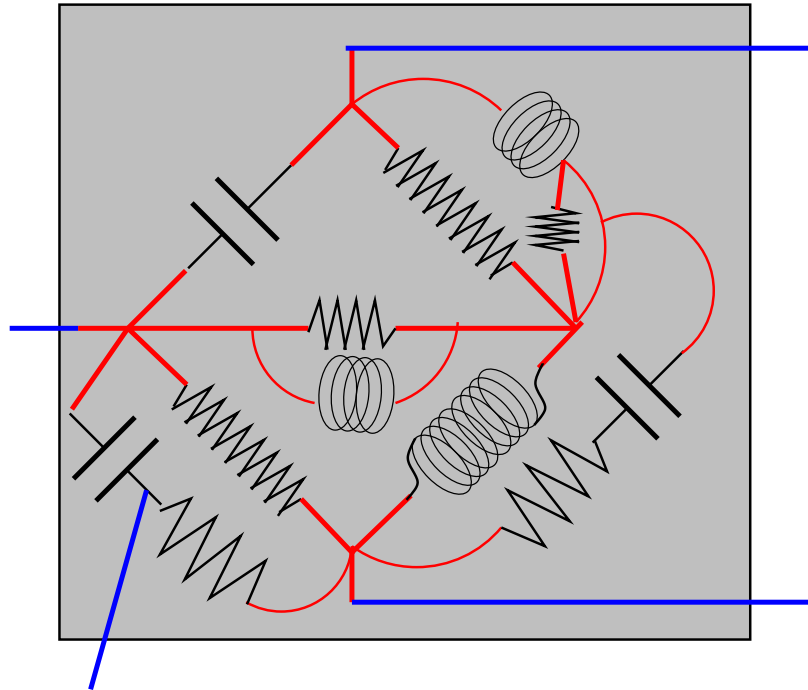
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**Terminals  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  form a port. But  $\{1, 2\}$  and  $\{3, 4\}$  do not.**

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**Theorem: Consider an electrical circuit consisting of an interconnection of (linear passive) R's, L's, and C's. If every pair of terminals of the circuit graph is connected, then the only port is the one that consists of all the terminals.**

## Are ports common?

**Corollary: Consider an electrical circuit consisting of an interconnection of (linear passive) 2-terminal 1-port impedances. If every pair of terminals of the circuit graph is connected, then**

**the only port is the one that consists of all the terminals.**

**Follows from the theorem, combined with Bott-Duffin (every positive real impedance can be viewed as an RLC circuit).**

**In order to have non-trivial ports, we need**

**2-port building blocks like transformers in the circuit.**



## Independence

$$(V_1, \dots, V_p, V_{p+1}, \dots, V_N, I_1, \dots, I_p, I_{p+1}, \dots, I_N) \in \mathcal{B}, \alpha : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

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*‘port KVL’*

**For linear passive circuits, there holds**

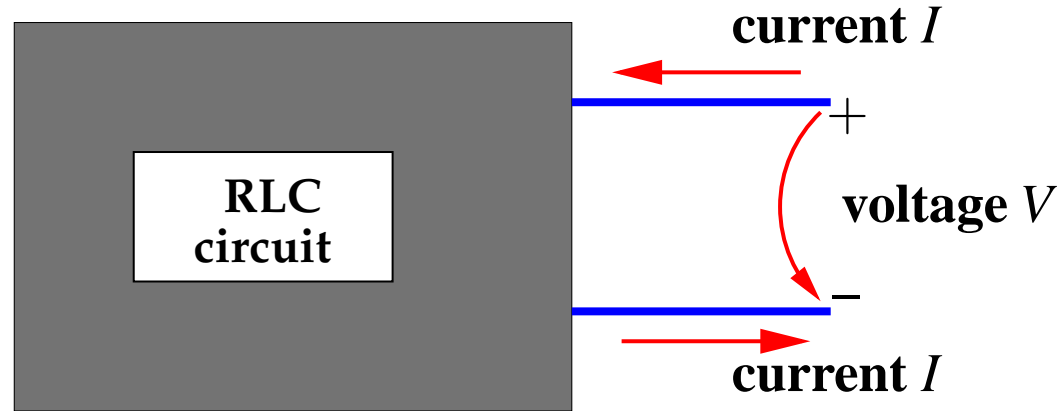
$$\text{port KVL} \Leftrightarrow \text{port KCL}.$$

**We require port KCL**

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# **DIGRESSION: RLC SYNTHESIS**

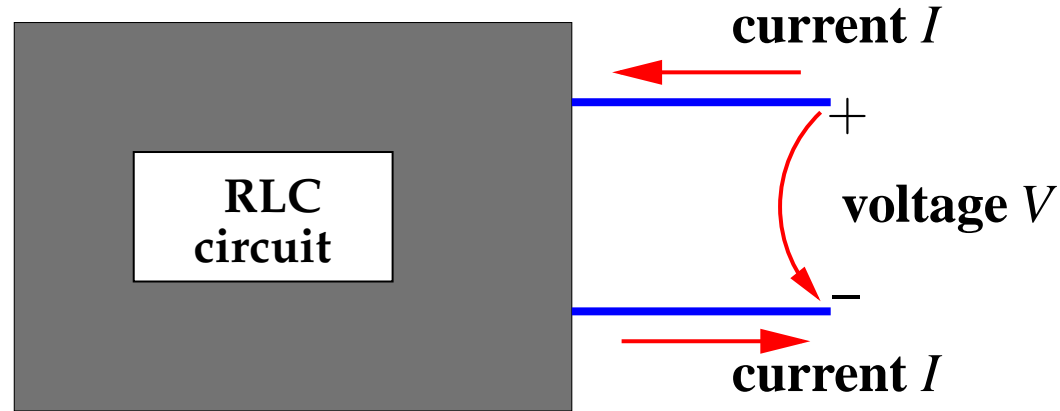
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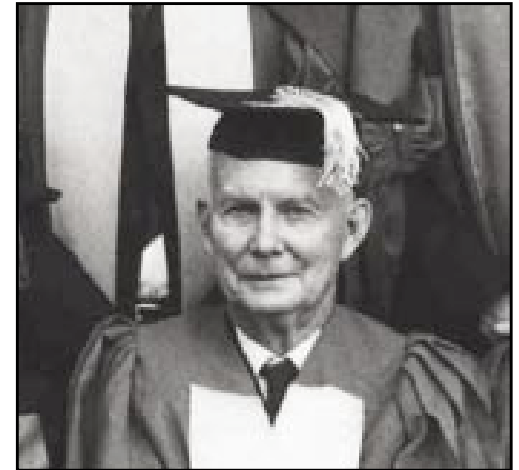
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**Which polynomial pairs  $(n, d)$  can occur?**

## Positive realness

**Theorem:** The following are equivalent

- ▶  $Z$  is realizable using (positive, linear) R,L,C's  
*and transformers.*
- ▶  $Z = \frac{n}{d}$  is *positive real*,  
i.e.,  $\mathbf{Real}(s) \geq 0 \Rightarrow \mathbf{Real}(Z(s)) \geq 0$ .
- ▶ ...



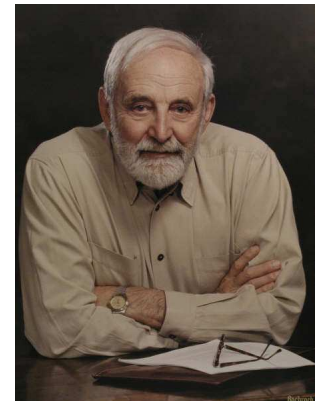
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**1901-1982**

## Positive realness

In 1949 Raoul Bott and Richard Duffin dramatically improved Otto Brune's 1931 result.

Theorem: The following are equivalent

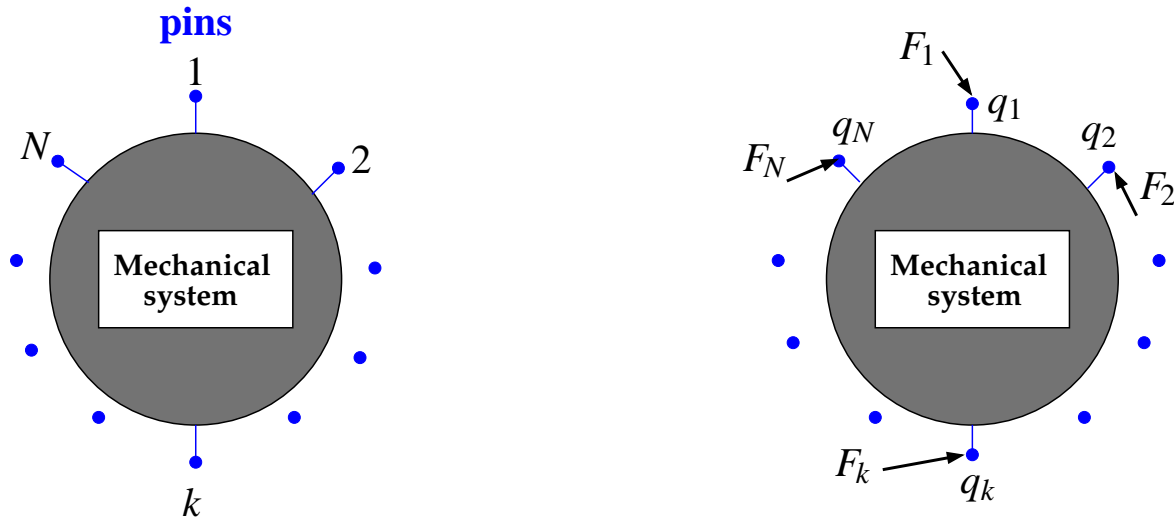
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# **(1-D) MECHANICAL SYSTEMS**

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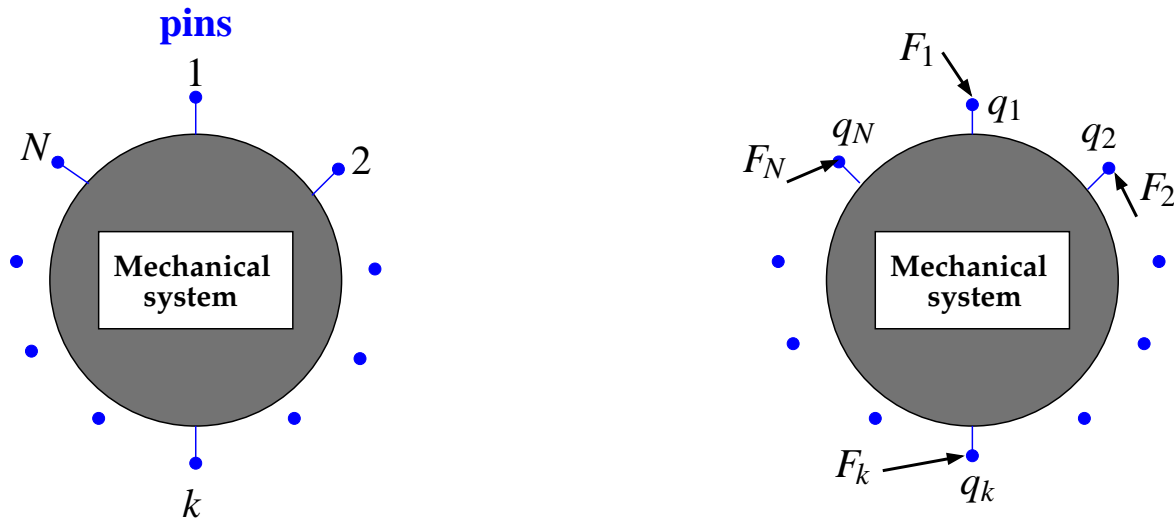


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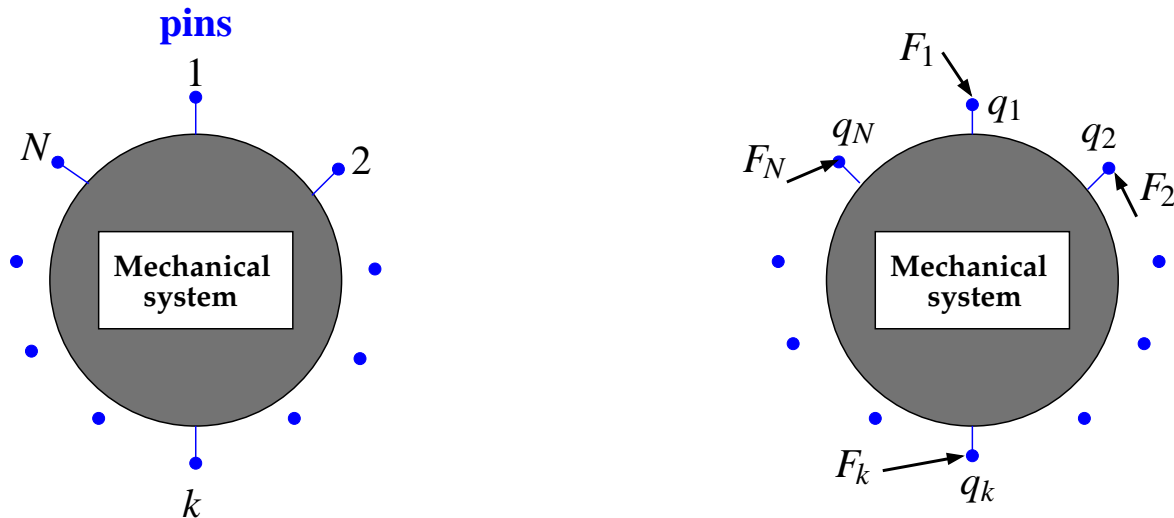


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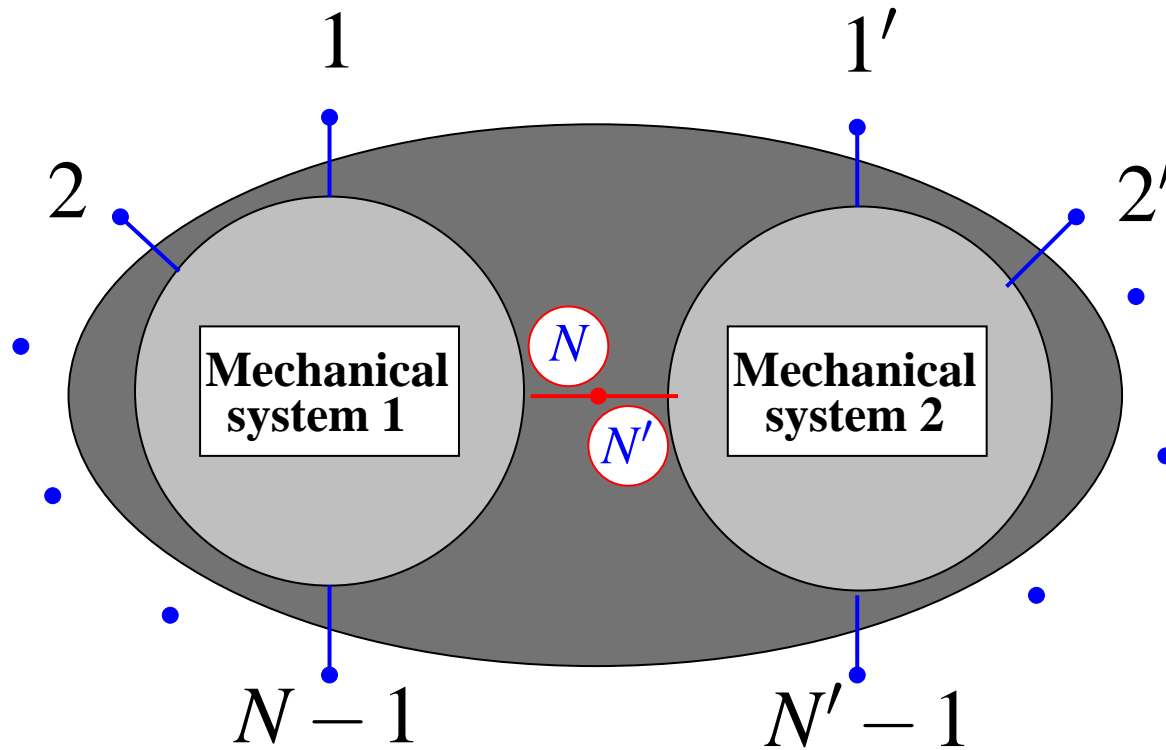
What are the analogues of KVL, KCL, of port?

# The behavior



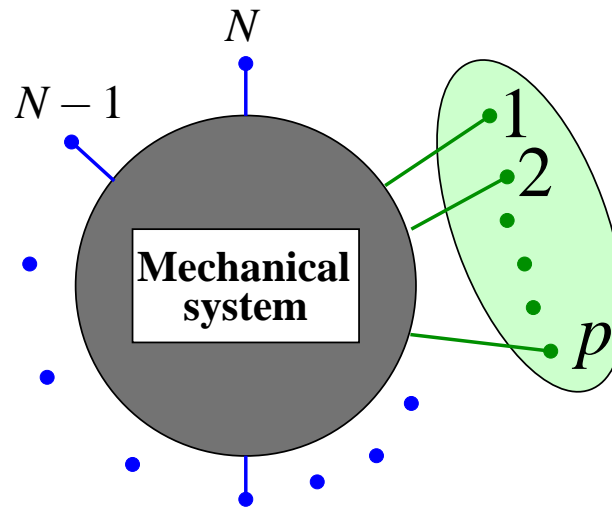
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# Interconnection



$$q_N = q_{N'} \quad \text{and} \quad F_N + F_{N'} = 0.$$

# Mechanical ports



**Terminals  $\{1, 2, \dots, p\}$  form a (mechanical) port**  $:\Leftrightarrow$

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## Power and energy

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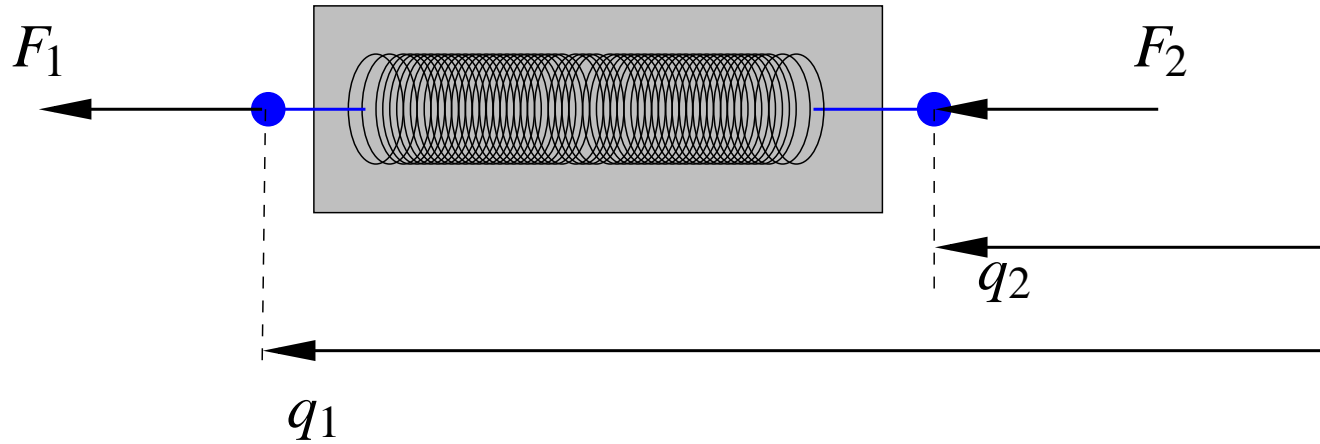
$$\text{power in} = F_1(t)^\top \frac{d}{dt} q_1(t) + \dots + F_p(t)^\top \frac{d}{dt} q_p(t),$$

and

$$\text{energy in} = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \left( F_1(t)^\top \frac{d}{dt} q_1(t) + \dots + F_p(t)^\top \frac{d}{dt} q_p(t) \right) dt.$$

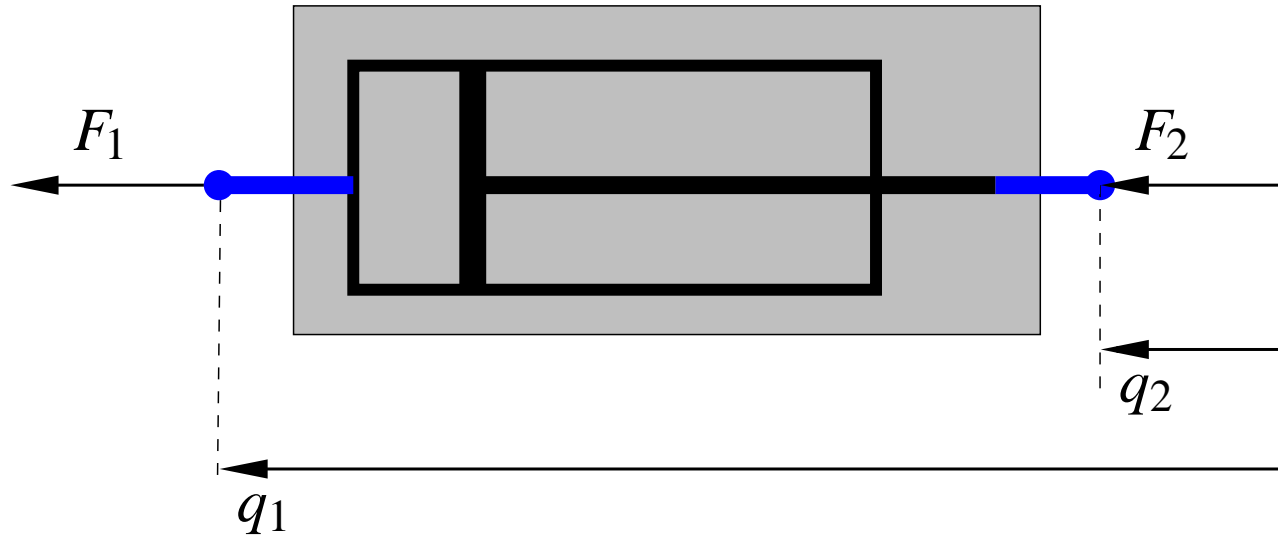
**This interpretation in terms of power and energy is not valid  
unless these terminals form a port !**

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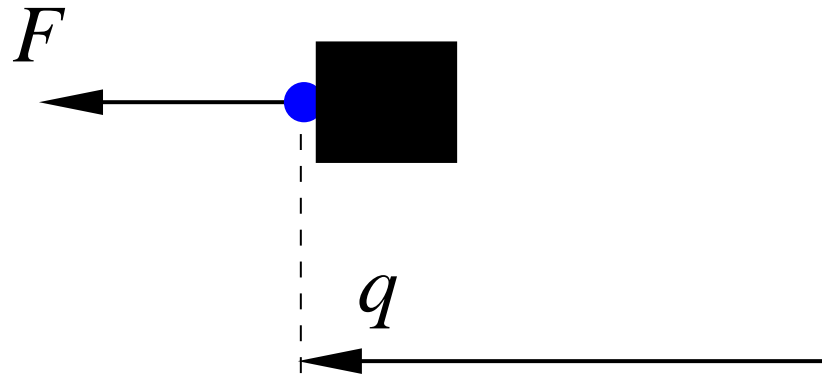
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**Springs and dampers,  
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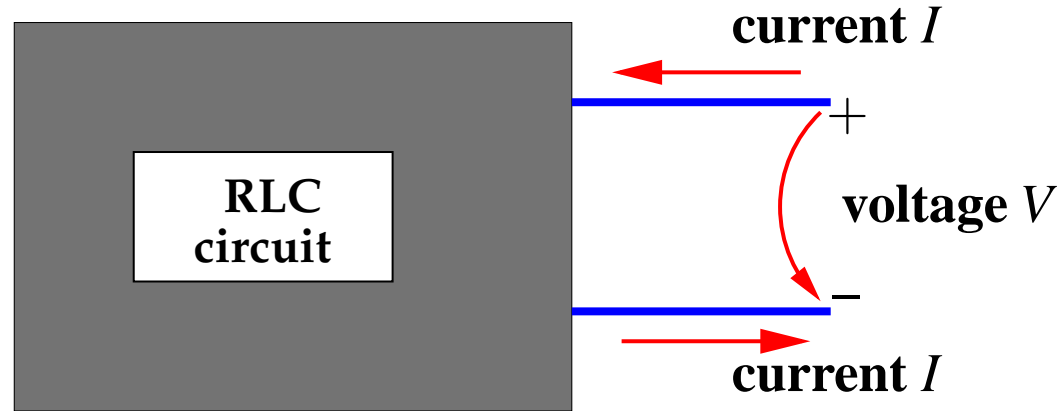
$$M \frac{d^2}{dt^2} q = F.$$

**Not a port!!!**



# **DIGRESSION: MECHANICAL SYNTHESIS**

# Electrical and mechanical synthesis



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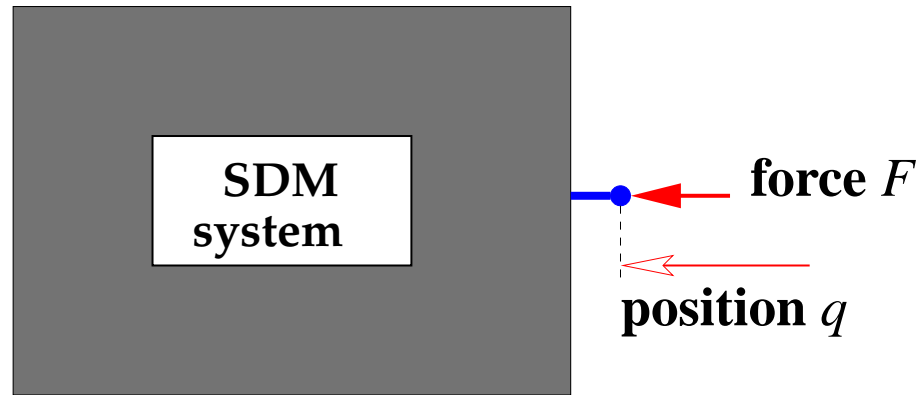
$$Z = \frac{n}{d} \text{ positive real}$$

## Electrical and mechanical synthesis

**What mechanical impedances are realizable using passive mechanical devices (dampers, springs, and masses)?**

**Is it possible to use RLC synthesis to obtain mechanical synthesis?**

# Electrical and mechanical synthesis



**Relationship between  $F$  and  $q$**

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$$Z(s) = \frac{sn(s)}{d(s)} \quad \text{positive real ???} \quad \text{naive!}$$

# Electrical-mechanical analogies

voltage  $V \leftrightarrow v$  velocity

current  $I \leftrightarrow F$  force

## Resistor

$$\frac{1}{R}(V_1 - V_2) = I_1, \quad I_1 + I_2 = 0$$

## Damper

$$D(v_1 - v_2) = F_1, \quad F_1 + F_2 = 0$$

## Inductor

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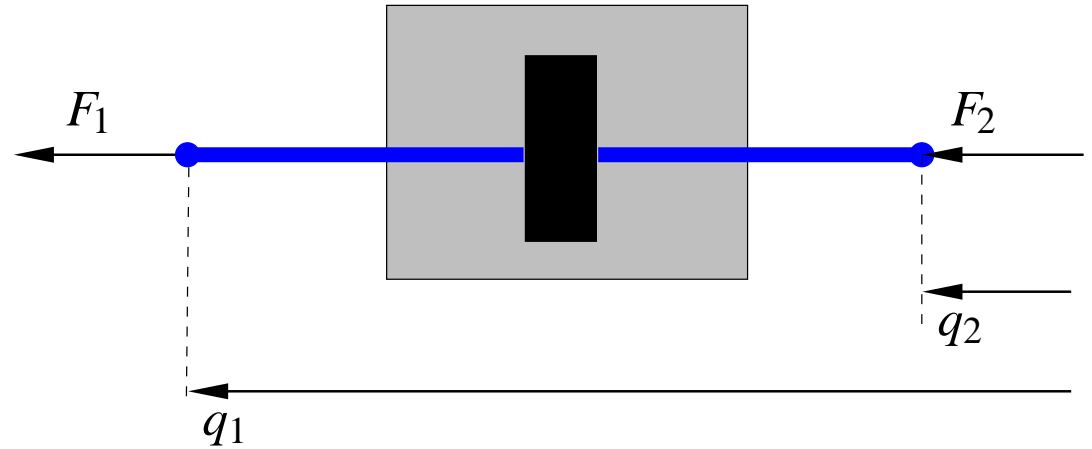
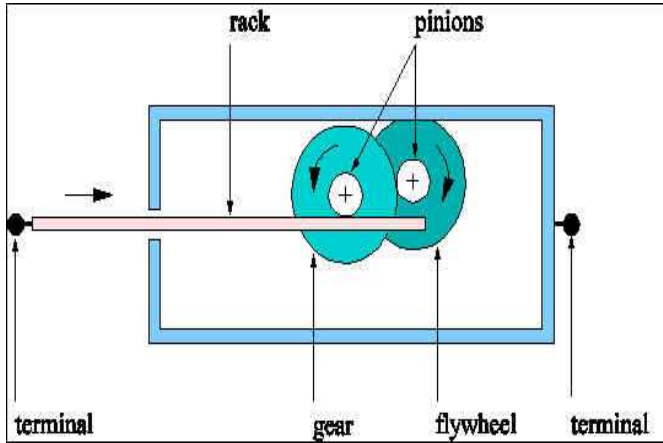
$$V \leftrightarrow v$$

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**The electrical analogue of a mass is a ‘grounded’ capacitor.**

**Electrical synthesis  $\nRightarrow$  mechanical synthesis.**

# The inerter



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Malcolm Smith

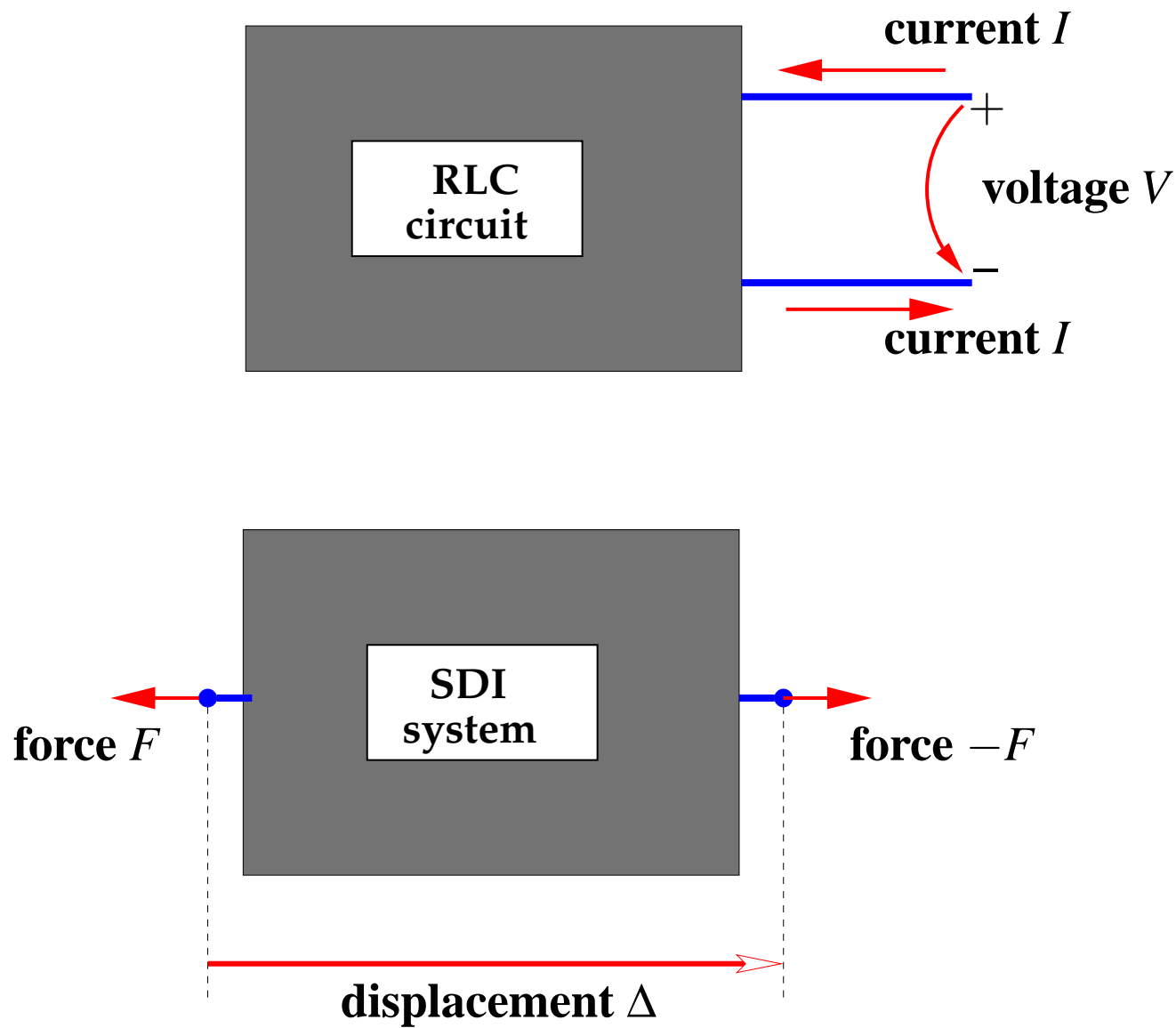
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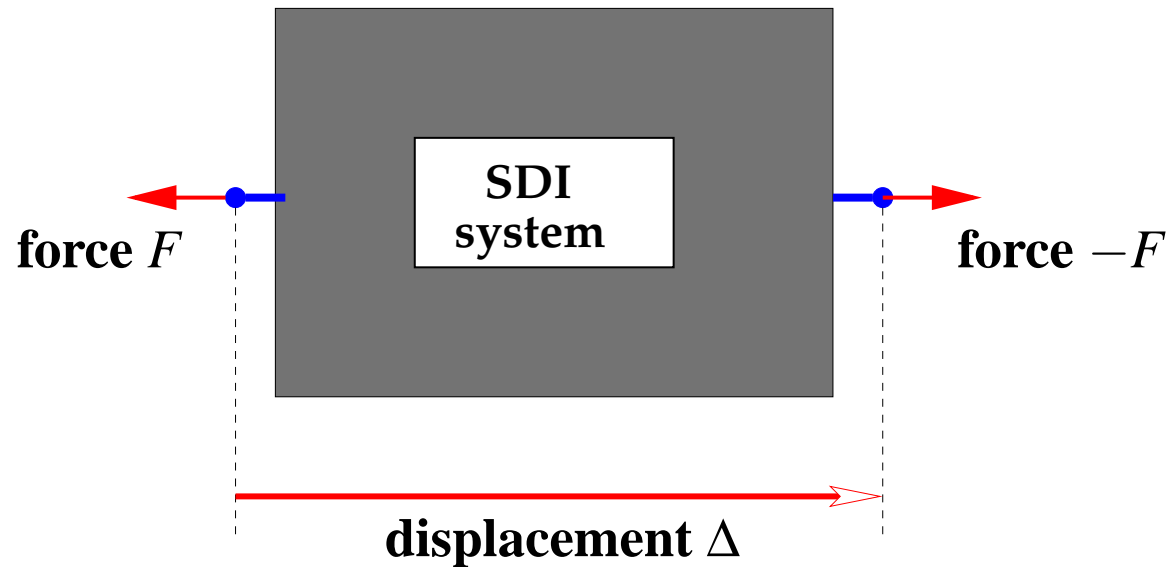
**electrical RLC synthesis  $\Leftrightarrow$  mechanical SDI synthesis.**



# RLC and SDI



## RLC and SDI



### Relationship between $F$ and $\Delta$

$$d \left( \frac{d}{dt} \right) \Delta = n \left( \frac{d}{dt} \right) F \quad n, d \text{ real polynomials.}$$

**Realizable iff**  $Z(s) = \frac{sn(s)}{d(s)}$  **positive real**

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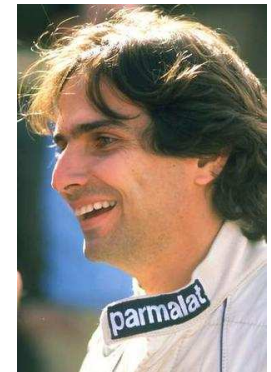
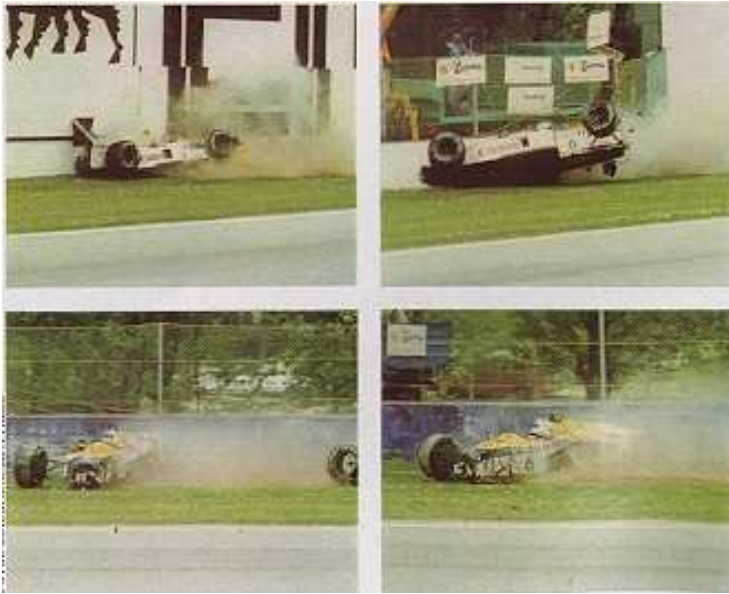
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## **Mechanical domain:**                      **Recent interest.**

- ▶ **requires no energy supply**
- ▶ **simple design**
- ▶ **reliability**
- ▶ **safety**

# Hazards of active suspensions

**Nelson Piquet crash in the Indy 500 practice in 1992**

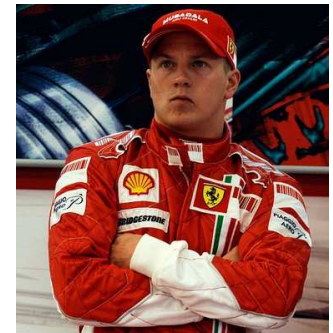


**Nelson Piquet**

## Success of passive suspensions



**Raikkonen wins the 2005 Grand Prix in Spain with McLaren and Smith's 'J-damper'.**



**Kimi Raikkonen**



# Success of passive suspensions

## F1 TEAMS FIND EXTRA GRIP WITH NEW DAMPER SET-UP

SEVERAL FORMULA 1 teams have been using a 'mass damper' this season in order to damp out tyre bouncing frequencies through corners and thereby keep the grip more consistent.

Renault and Red Bull are known to be using such a system and it's believed that Ferrari and Williams – and perhaps others too – also have it fitted. It's a simple mechanical device comprising a weight (believed to be of around 9kg) on a spring.

Gary Anderson explained its purpose: "You see a car bouncing, such as when it hits a kerb. This will be at around 8-9Hz on the tyres. This device will get an equal frequency going in the opposite direction. It's a bit like a tall building designed to

withstand an earthquake where they put the water tank on the roof – so that when the building sways, the water is going in the opposite direction at the same frequency.

"In this case, as the car is going up, the tyre is going down and vice versa. With this, the car will still bounce at the same frequency but the amplitude will be damped down. If you take an average tyre contact load and assume say

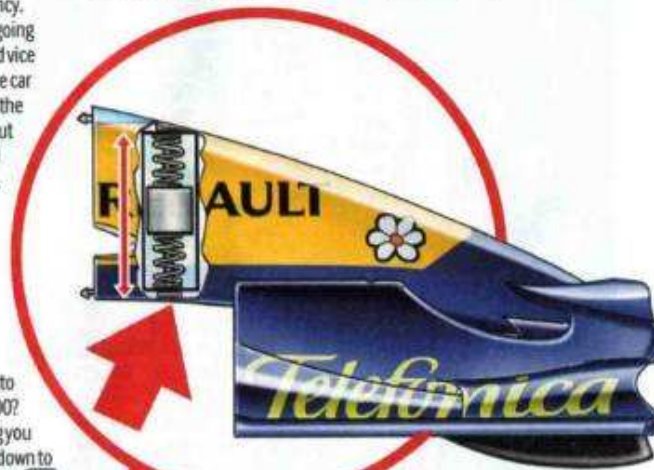
1000kg, you'd typically see a variation of 9-1100kg. But the driver needs to feel sure of what he's got as he goes into the corner. Is that 900 or 1100? With a weight of around 10kg you can maybe get the variation down to

950-1050kg, so he's got a more constant load. It's a very good idea. It would also be easy to set-up on a seven-post rig, balancing mass

against damping. I reckon it would take no more than 15 minutes to set it up. On the downside it adds a bit of weight quite high up in the car."



Anderson



GIORGIO PIOLA

# Success of passive suspensions

## Secrets of the inerter revealed

20 August 2008

A Cambridge University invention which was kept a closely-guarded secret because of the hidden advantage it offered to a Formula 1 racing team is finally being made available for widespread use.

For years, the mysterious "J-Damper", a vehicle suspension device described as the F1 technical innovation of the year, was carefully codenamed and concealed to prevent it from being copied by rivals.



McLaren agreed an exclusive right with the University to exploit the technology, but confidentiality restrictions ensured that other F1 teams were kept in the dark. Internet fan-sites and blogs began to buzz with speculation about what the device actually was.

Now, with the lifting of the confidentiality agreement, the secret of the "J-Damper" can finally be revealed. Cambridge Enterprise, the University's commercialisation office, has signed a licence agreement with the American firm Penske Racing Shocks, enabling Penske to supply them to any team in F1.

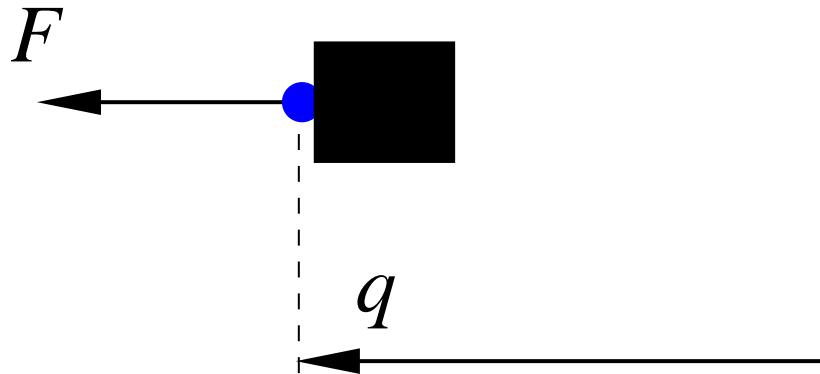
In fact, the device was first conceived by its creator, Professor Malcolm Smith, as long ago as 1997 and raced for the first time by McLaren in 2005, when Kimi Raikkonen achieved a victory for the team at the Spanish Grand Prix.

The term "J-Damper" itself was merely a codename to keep the technology secret from potential competitors for as long as possible. Its proper name is



# **KINETIC ENERGY**

## Back to the mass

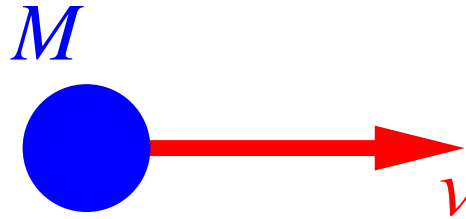


$$M \frac{d^2}{dt^2} q = F \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{d}{dt} \frac{1}{2} M \left\| \frac{d}{dt} q \right\|^2 = F^\top \frac{d}{dt} q$$

If  $F^\top v$  is not power,

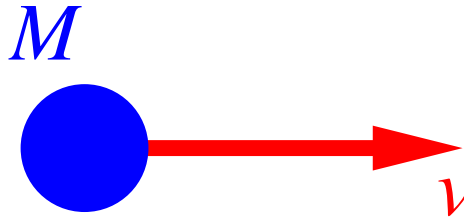
is then  $\frac{1}{2} M \|v\|^2$  not the stored (kinetic) energy ???

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$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{kinetic}} = \frac{1}{2} M ||v||^2$$



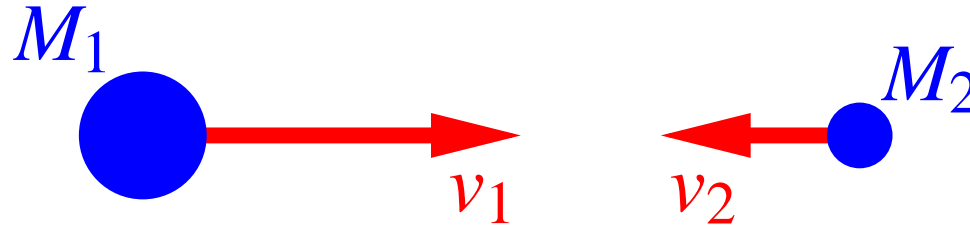
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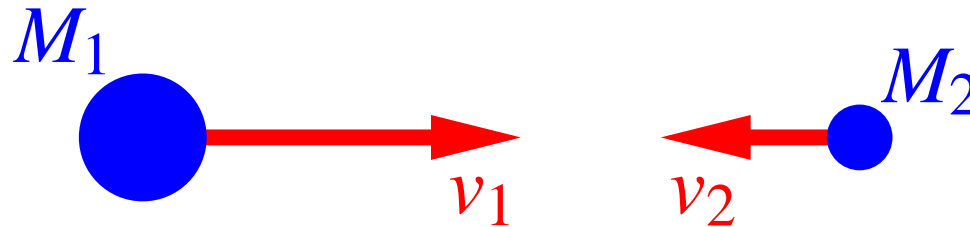
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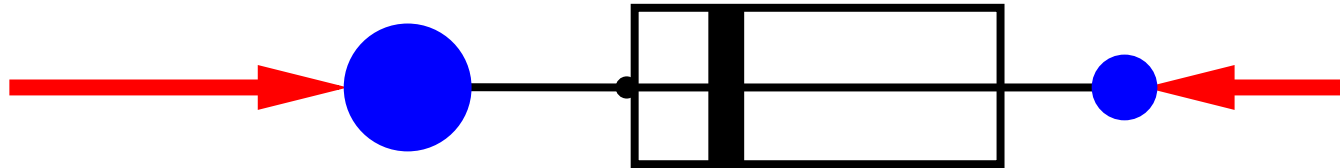
$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{kinetic}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{M_1 M_2}{M_1 + M_2} \|v_1 - v_2\|^2$$

**Invariant under uniform motion.**

**Can be justified by mounting a damper or a spring between the masses.**

## Dissipation into heat

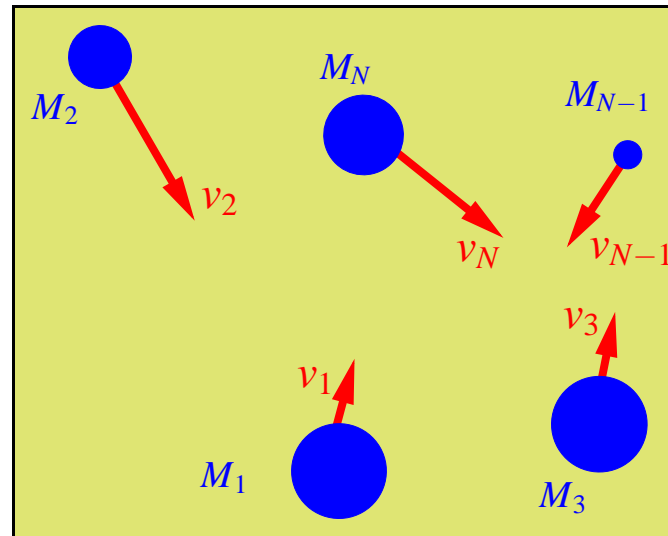
### Justification



$\frac{1}{2} \frac{M_1 M_2}{M_1 + M_2} \|v_1 - v_2\|^2$  is the heat dissipated in the damper.

# Kinetic energy

Generalization to  $N$  masses.



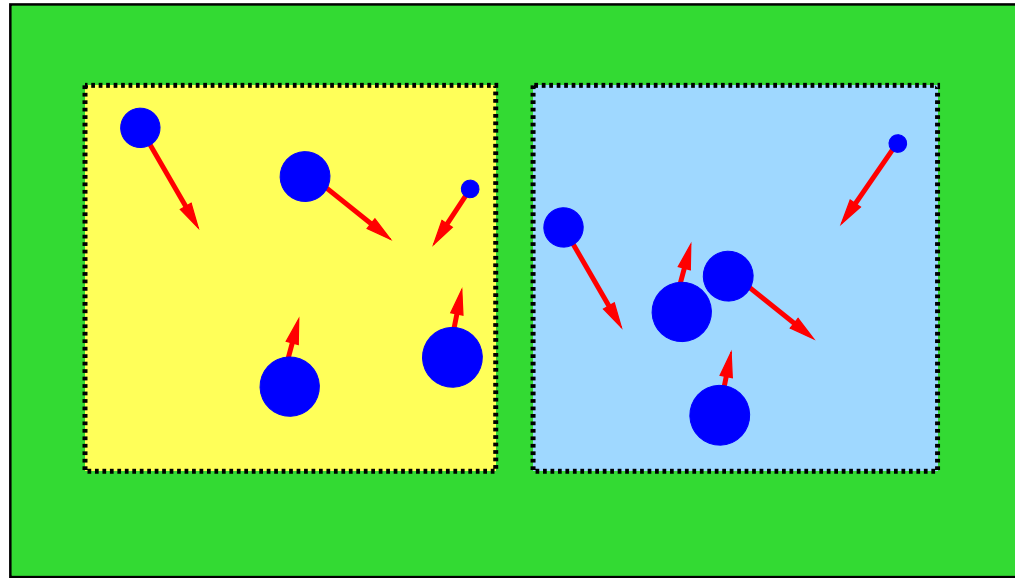
$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{kinetic}} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{i,j \in \{1,2,\dots,N\}} \frac{M_i M_j}{M_1 + M_2 + \dots + M_N} \|v_i - v_j\|^2.$$

$$\mathbf{KFL} \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_{\text{kinetic}} = \sum_{i \in \{1,2,\dots,N\}} F_i^\top v_i.$$



# Kinetic energy

**Kinetic energy is not an extensive quantity, it is not additive.**



**Total kinetic energy  $\neq$  sum of the parts.**

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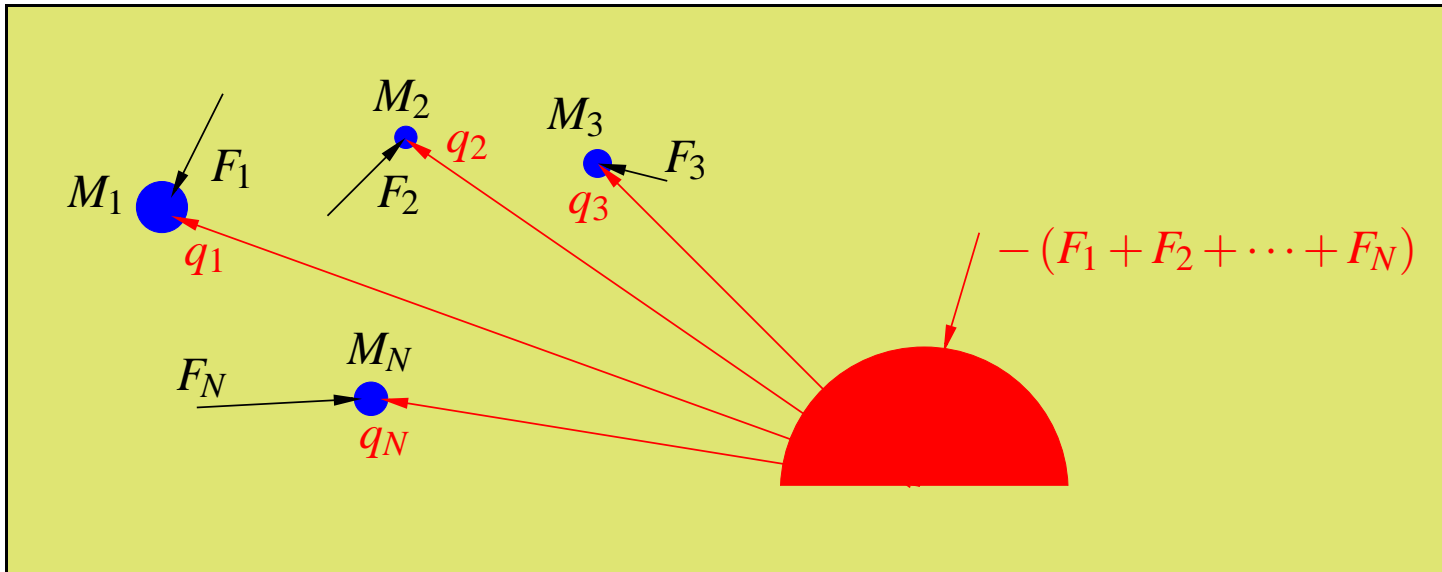
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**Distinct from the classical expression of the kinetic energy,**

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{classical}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \in \{1,2,\dots,N\}} M_i \|v_i\|^2.$$

# Kinetic energy

**Reconciliation:**  $M_{N+1} = \infty, F_{N+1} = -(F_1 + F_2 + \dots + F_N),$



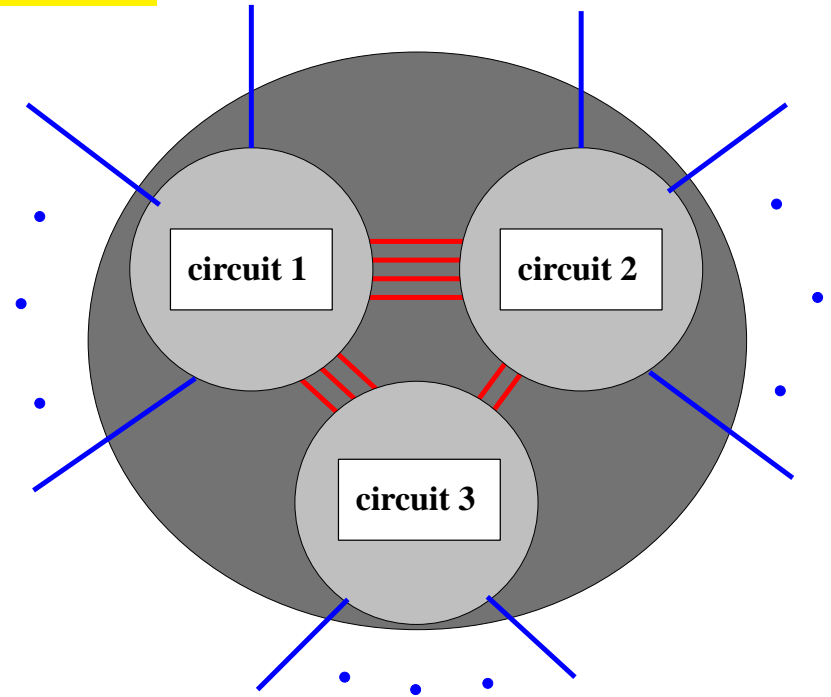
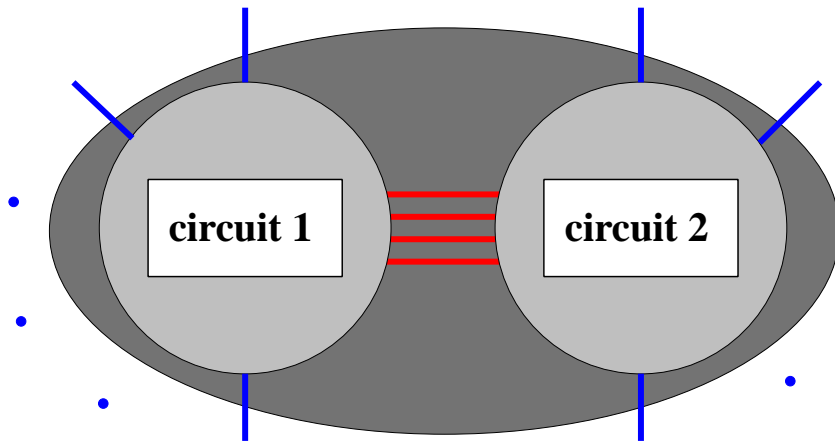
measure velocities w.r.t. this infinite mass ('ground'), then

$$\frac{1}{4} \sum_{i,j \in \{1,2,\dots,N,N+1\}} \frac{M_i M_j}{M_1 + M_2 + \dots + M_N + M_{N+1}} \|v_i - v_j\|^2$$

$$\longrightarrow \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \in \{1,2,\dots,N\}} M_i \|v_i\|^2.$$

# **PORTS and TERMINALS**

## Energy transfer



**One cannot speak about**

*“the energy transferred from circuit 1 to circuit 2”  
or “from the environment to circuit 1”,*

**unless the relevant terminals form a port.**

**Analogously for mechanical systems, etc.**

## Conclusions

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