

Design IV

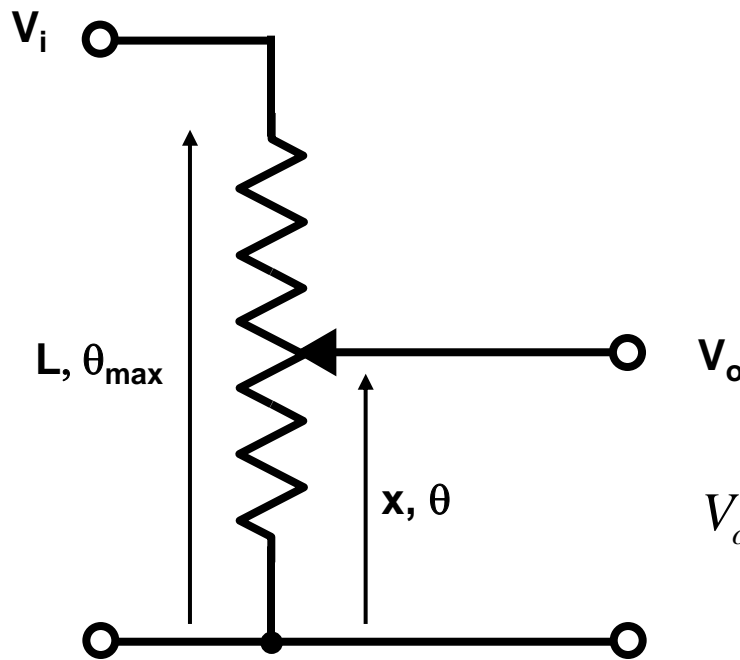
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Displacement Sensors

- Potentiometer



Issues:

- Noise
- Linearity
- Resolution
- Measurement range
- Lifetime
- Discrete steps

$$V_o = \frac{\theta}{\theta_{\max}} V_i$$

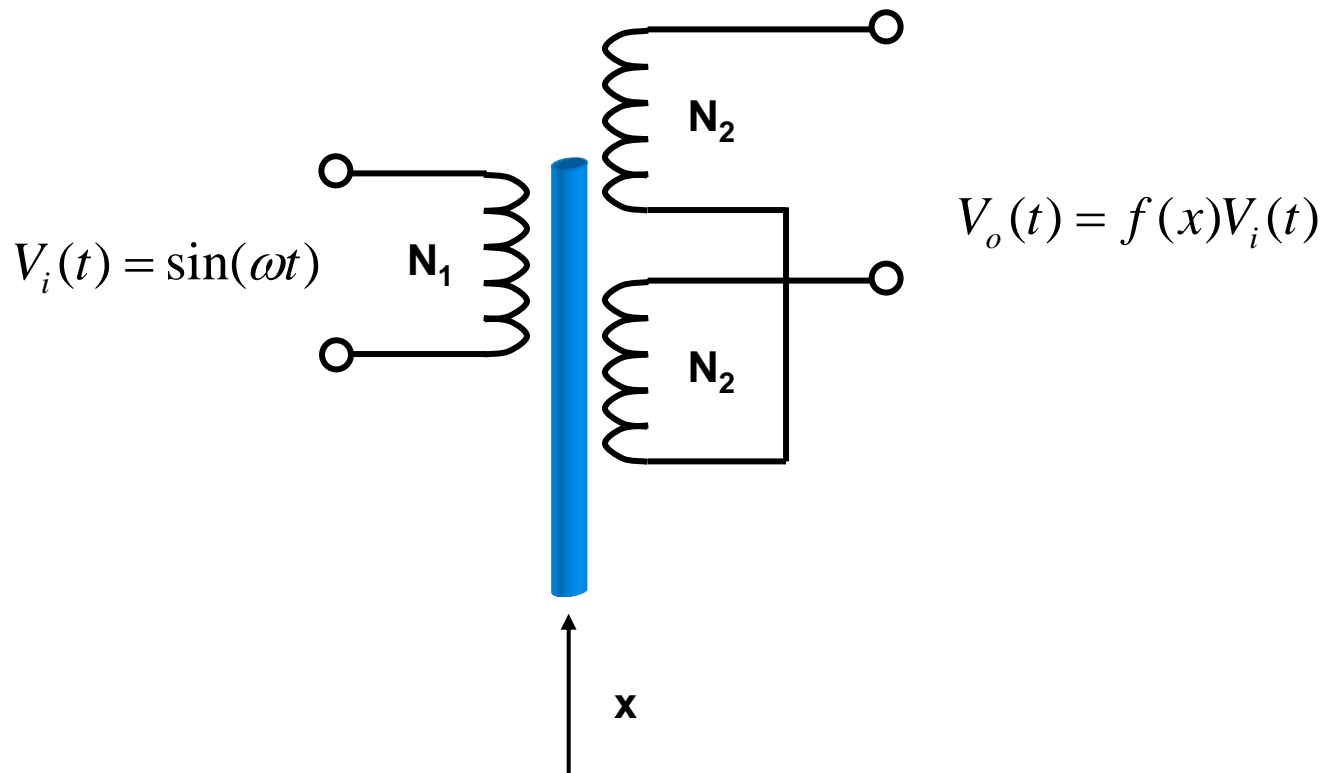
$$V_o = \frac{x}{L} V_i$$

Displacement Sensors

- Differential Transformer

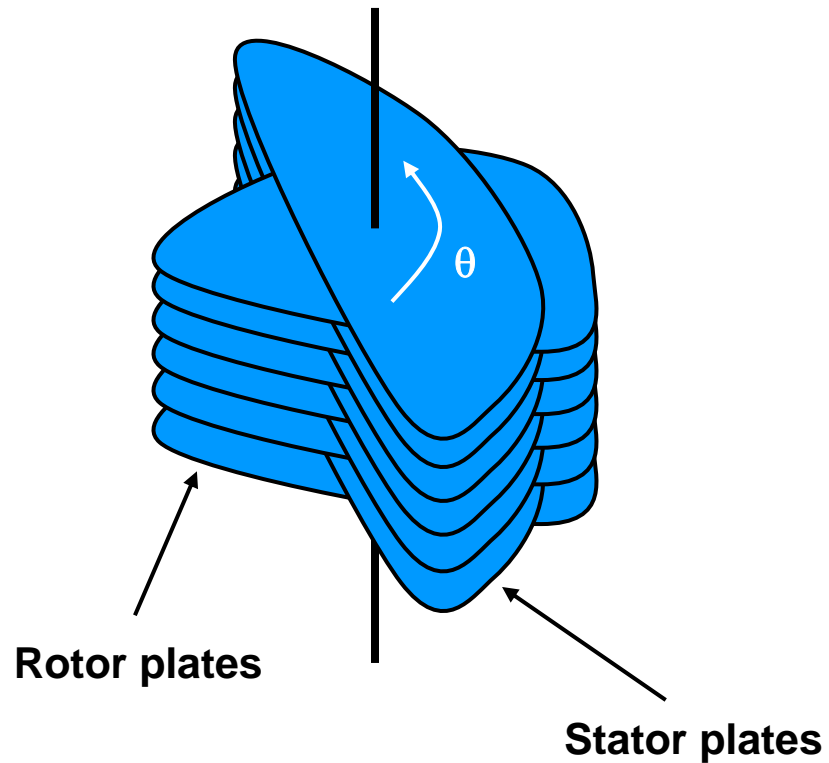
Issues:

- **Measurement range**



Rotation/Displacement Sensors

- Rotary capacitor



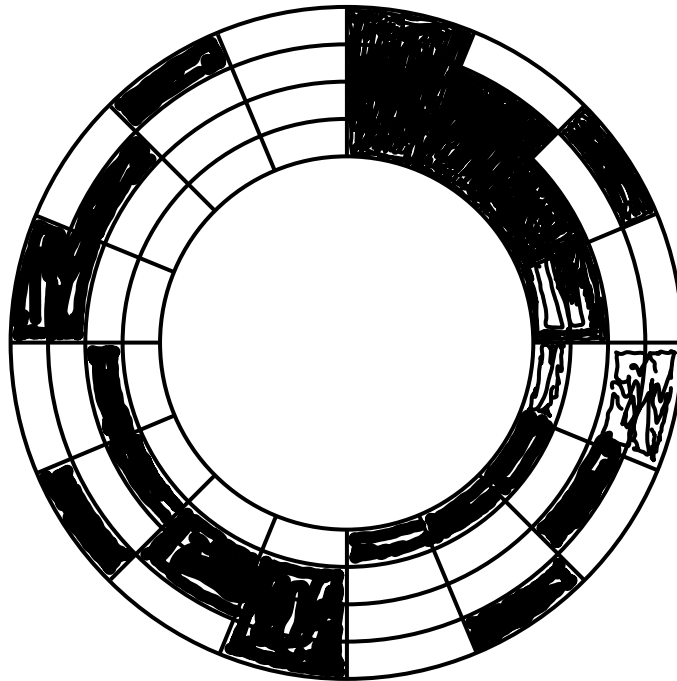
$$C = K \epsilon_0 \frac{A(\theta)}{d}$$

Issues:

- Measurement range
- Linearity

Rotation Sensors

- Digital angular encoder



**Binary encoding of angle
e.g., 4-bit encoder**

0000
0001
0010
0011
0100
0101
0110
0111
1000
1001
1010
1011
1100
1101
1110
1111

Issues:

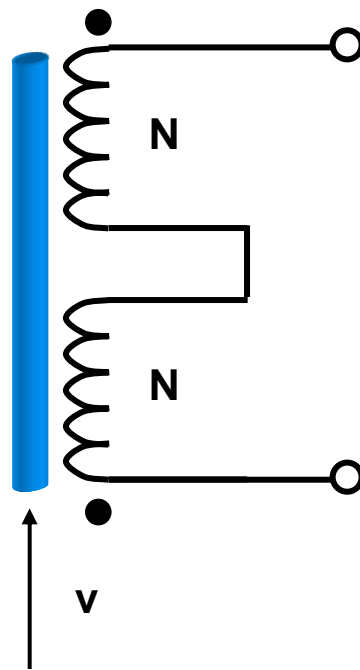
- Quantization

Today's topics

- Measurement sensors
 - Strain
 - Displacement
 - **Velocity**
 - Rotation
 - **Acceleration**
 - **Force**
 - **Torque**

Velocity Sensors

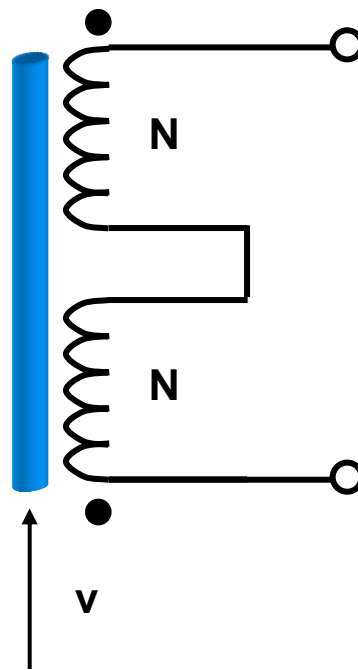
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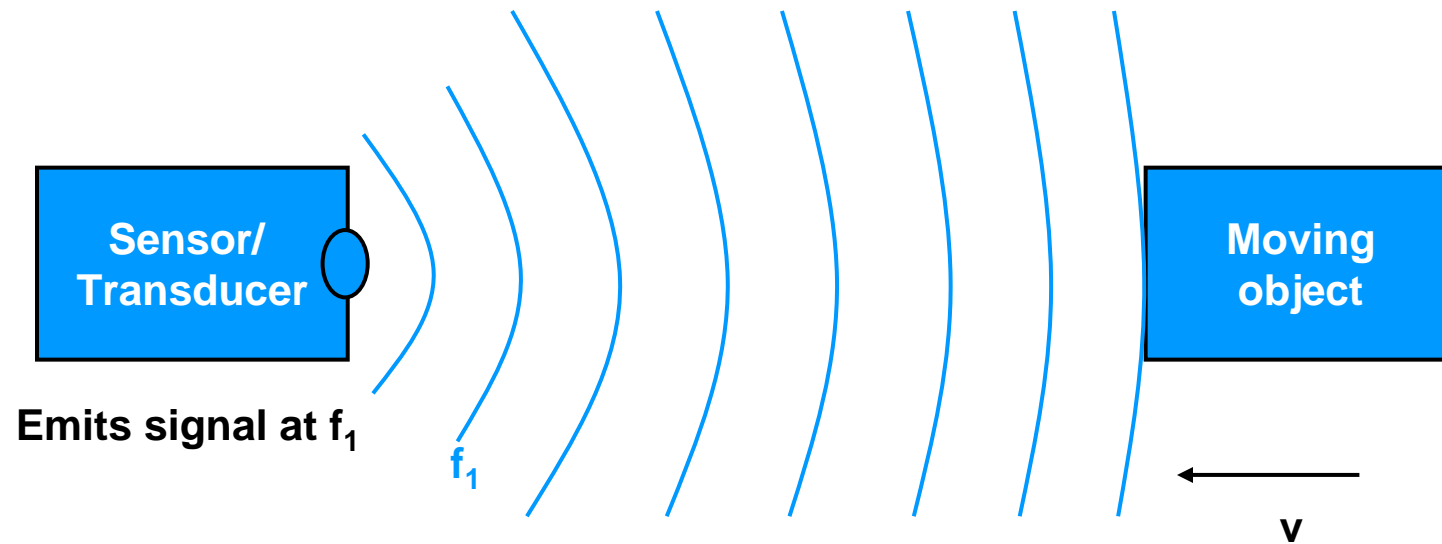
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Issues:

- Effects of displacement, as well as velocity
- Linearity
- Measurement range

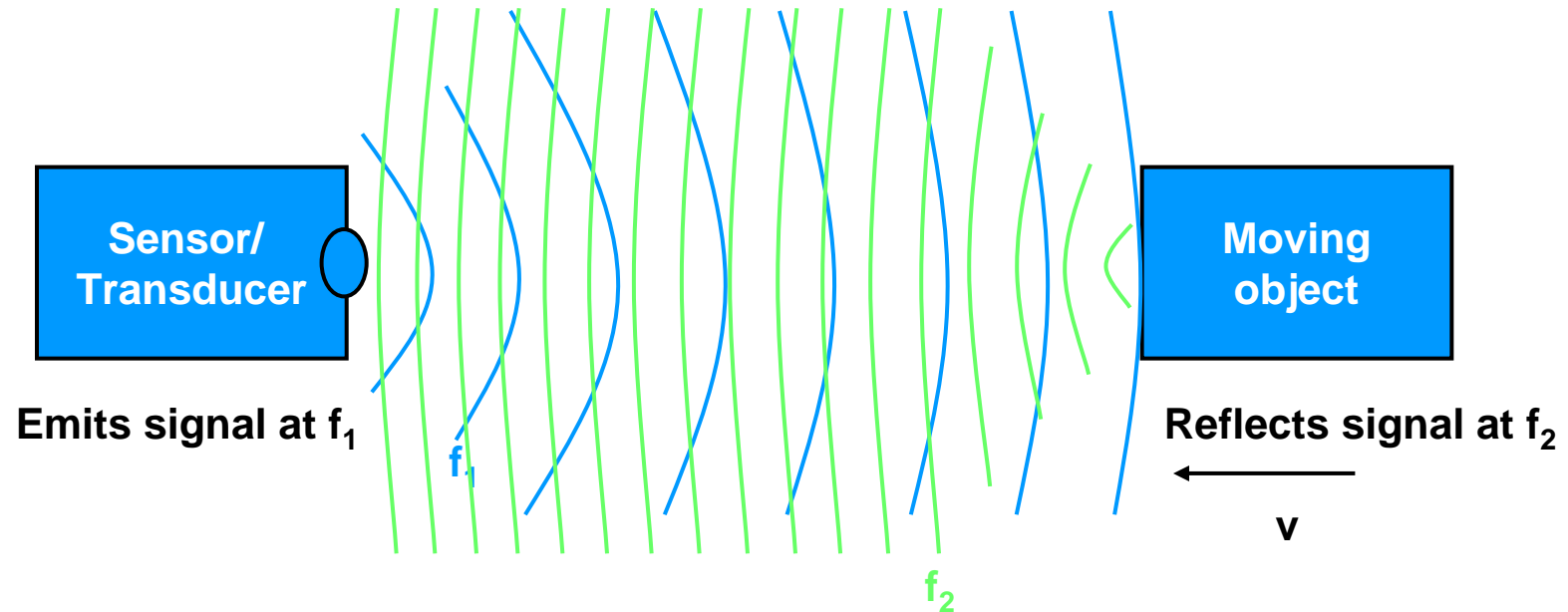
Velocity Sensors

- Doppler shift



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$$|f_1 - f_2| = \frac{2v}{\lambda}$$

Where v is the component of velocity in line with sensor

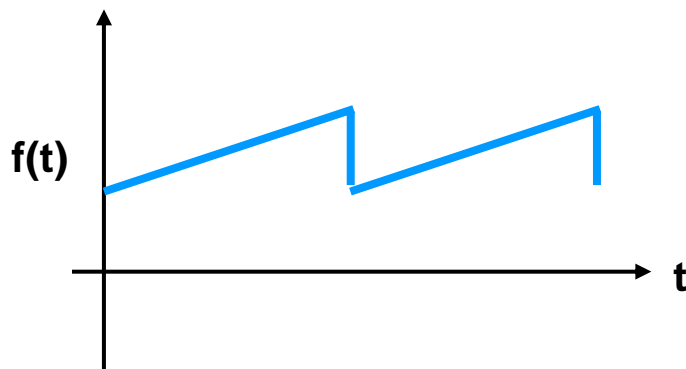
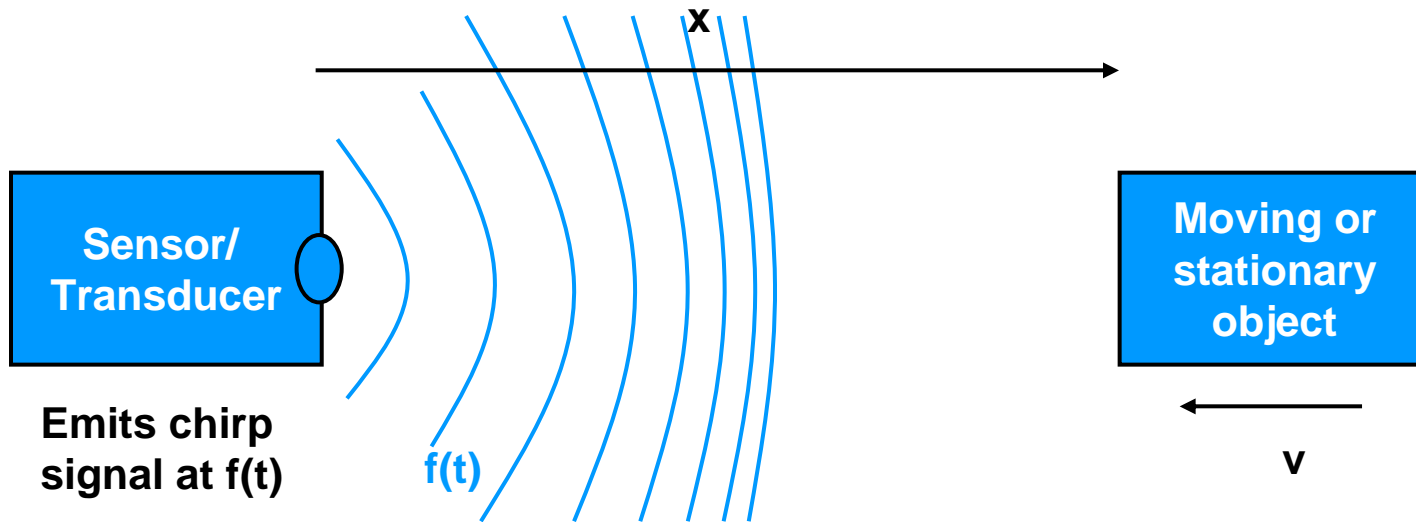
v_0 for sound is ~1 ft/millisecond
 v_0 for light/RF is ~1 ft/nanosecond

$$f \lambda = v_0$$

Where v_0 is velocity of wave in media

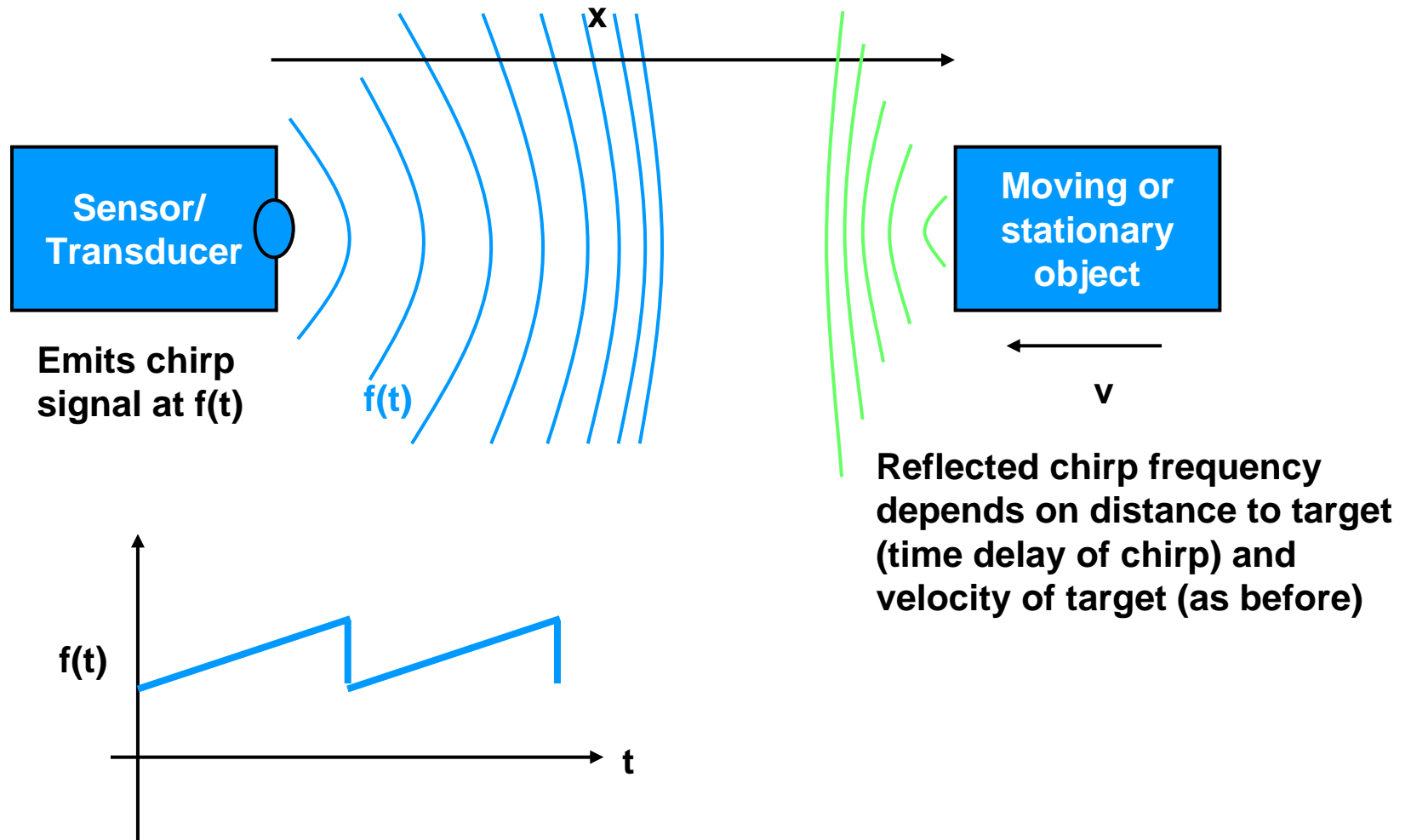
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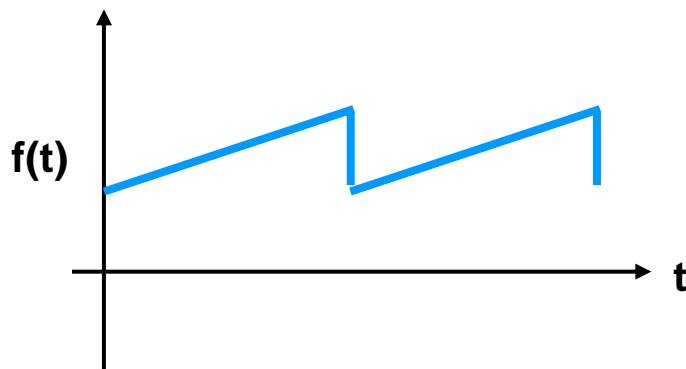
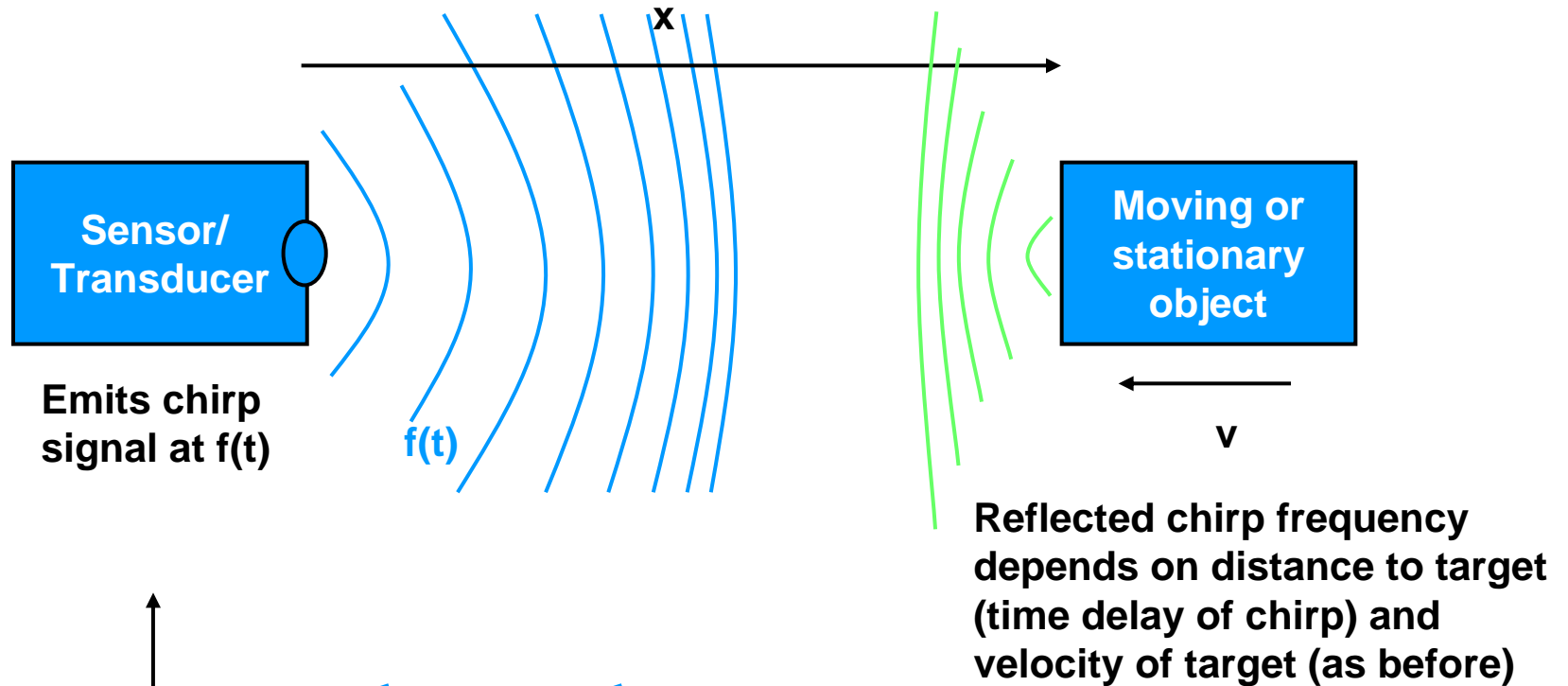
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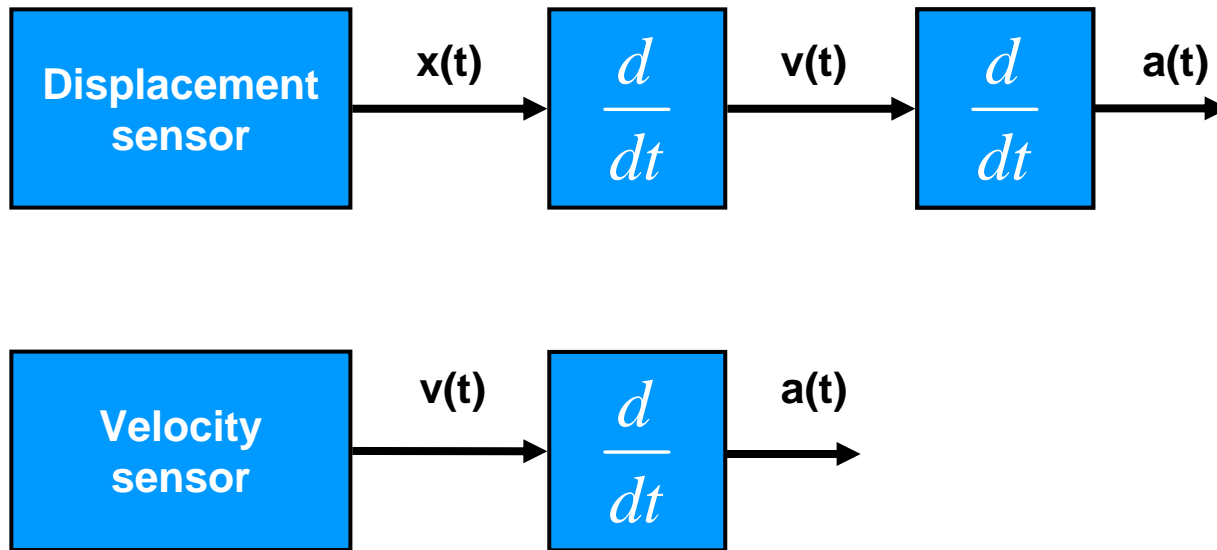


Applications:

- Bat's method of sensing prey
- Non-contact materials sensing
- Medical doppler ultrasound
- Weather doppler radar
- Geolocation/navigation

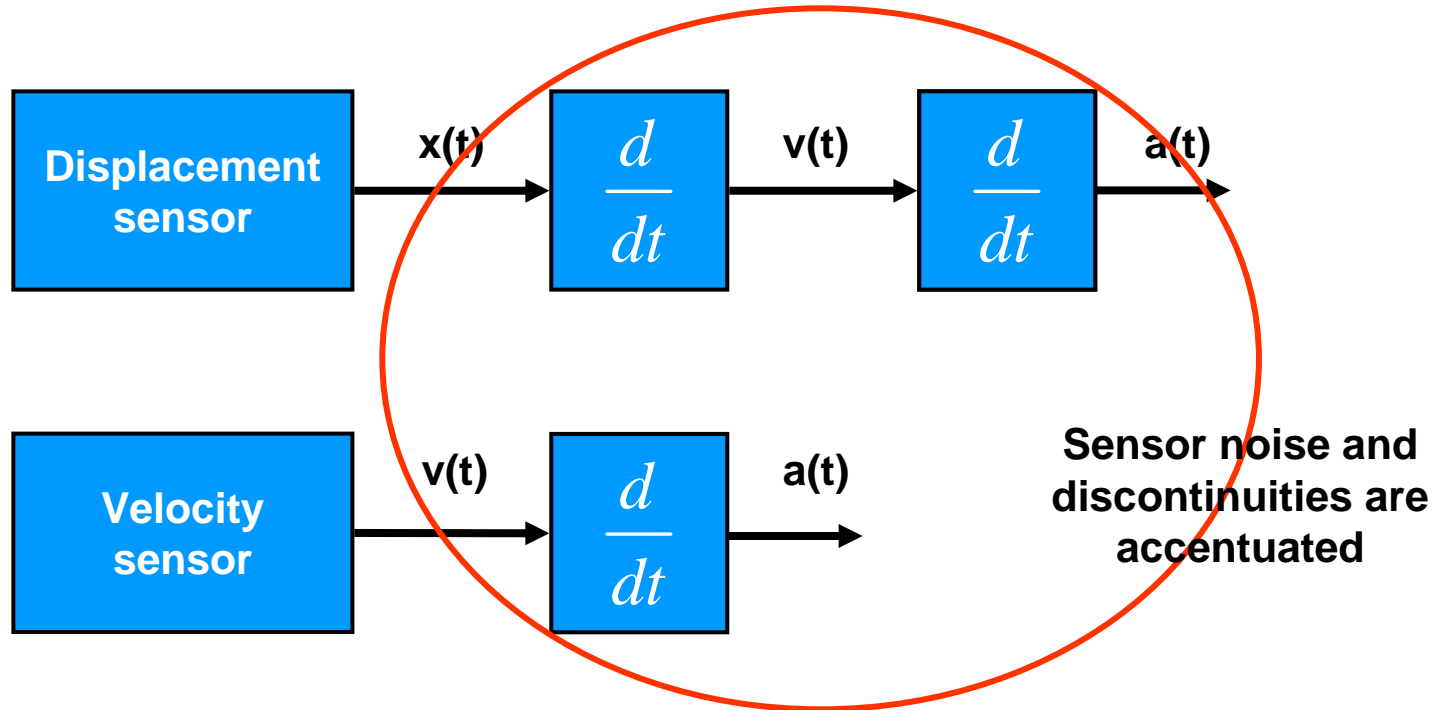
Acceleration Sensors

- Acceleration is a derivative of velocity, second derivative of displacement



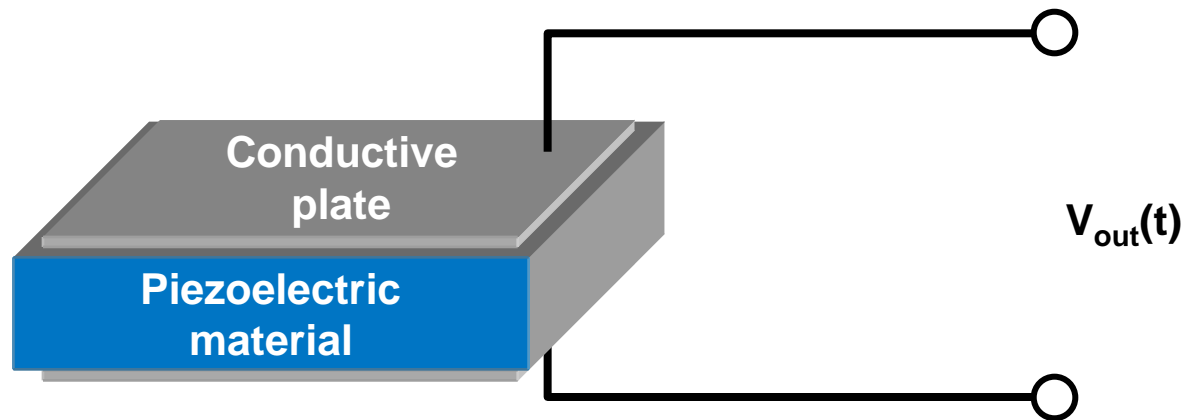
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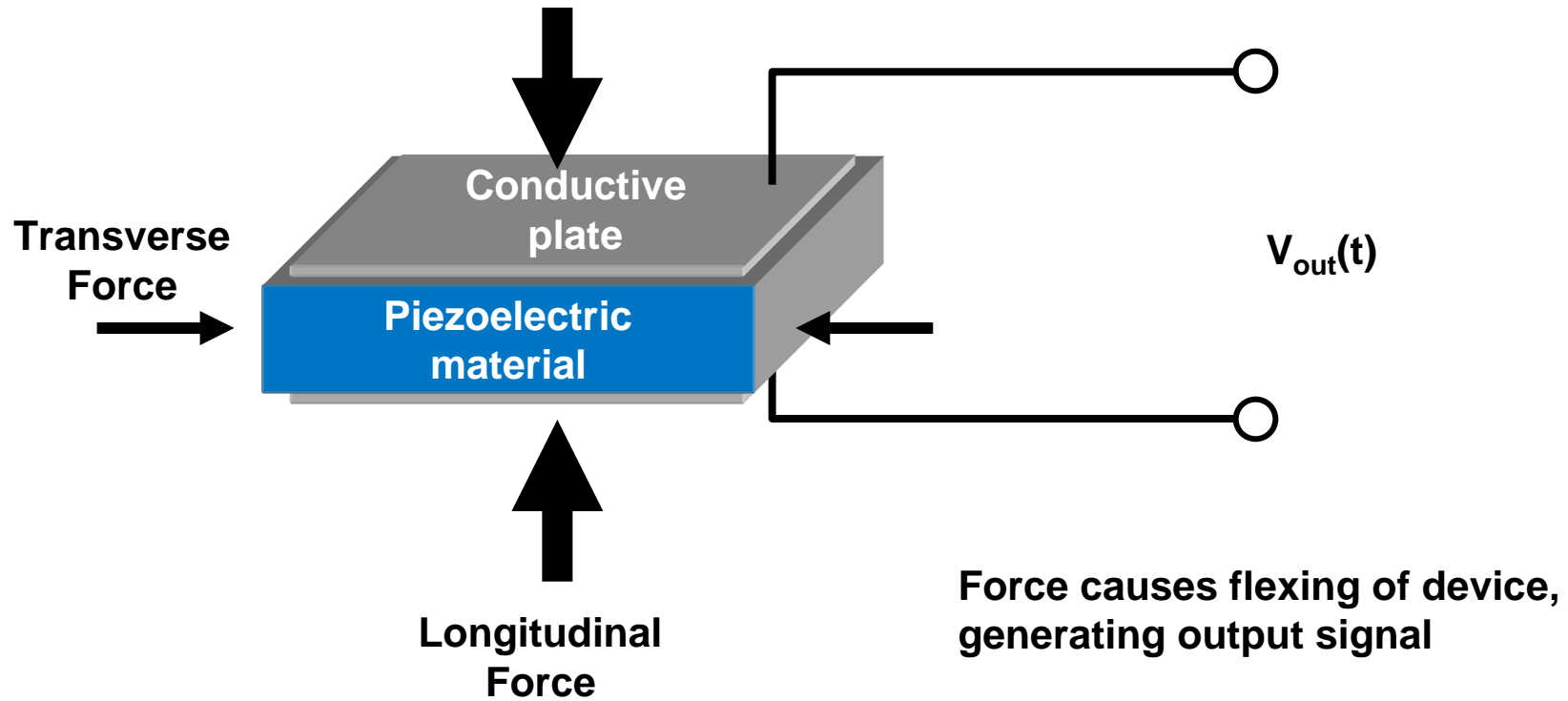
Acceleration Sensors

- Piezoelectric ($F=ma$) sensors



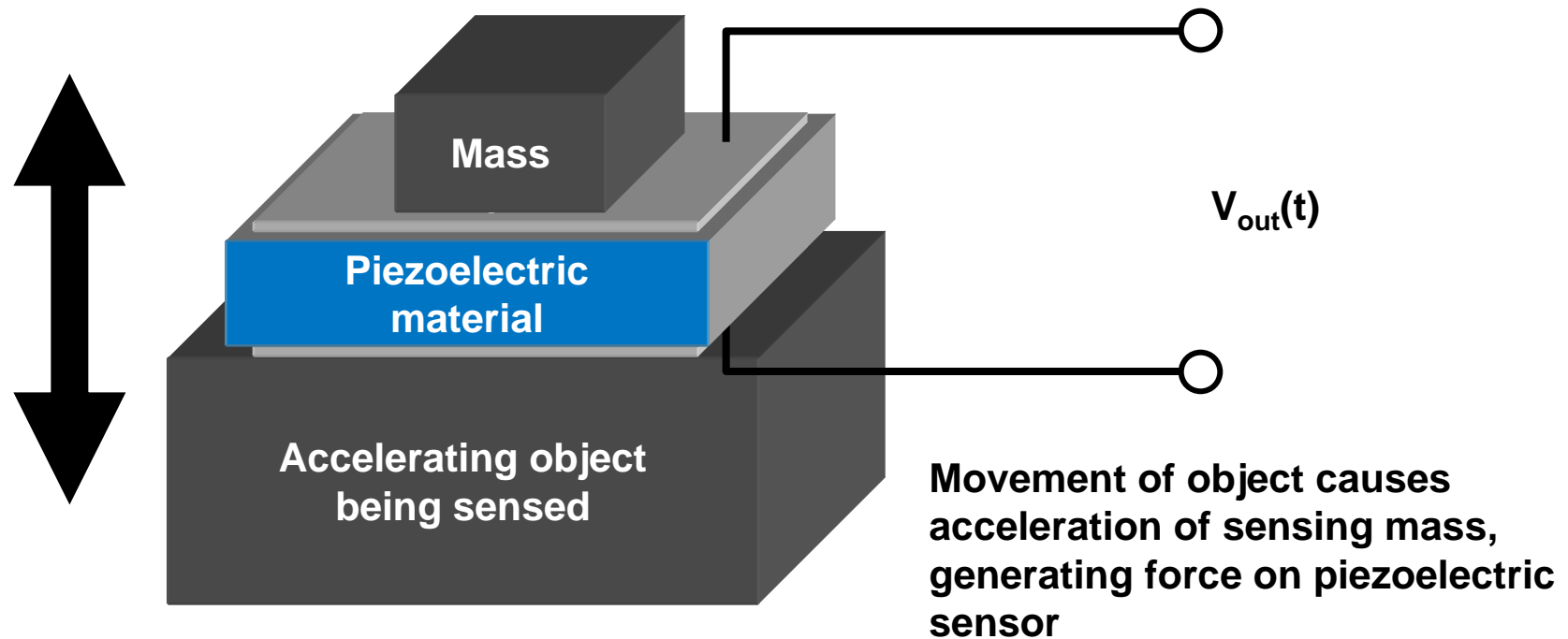
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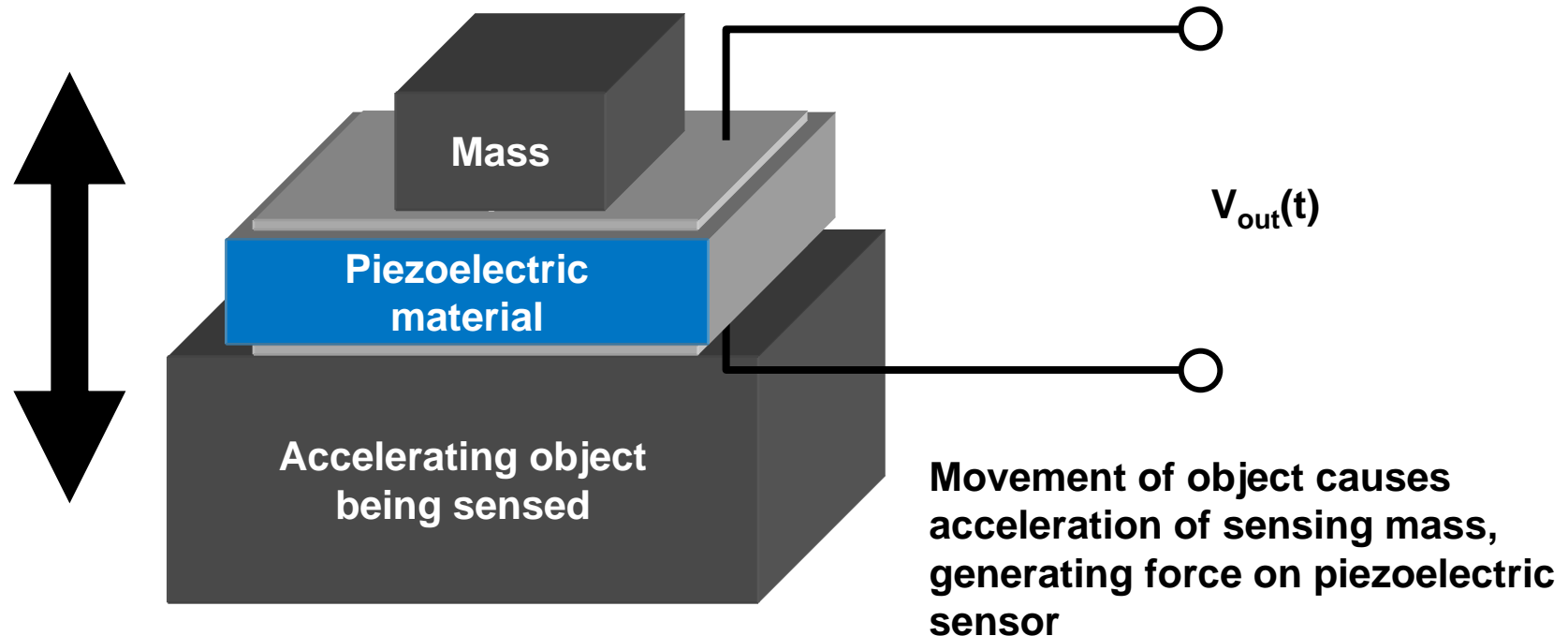


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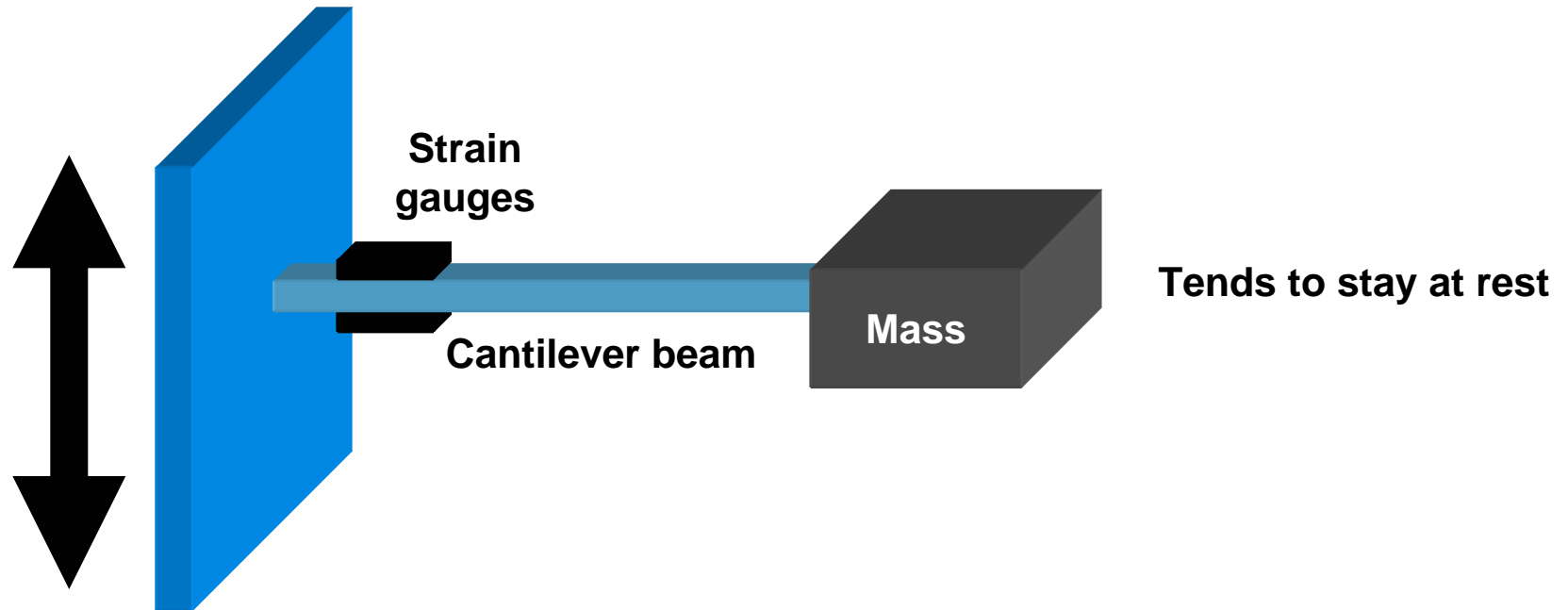
Other applications:

- Motion sensing game controllers
- Vehicle braking, stability sensors
- Hard disk drop sensors
- Autonomous vehicles



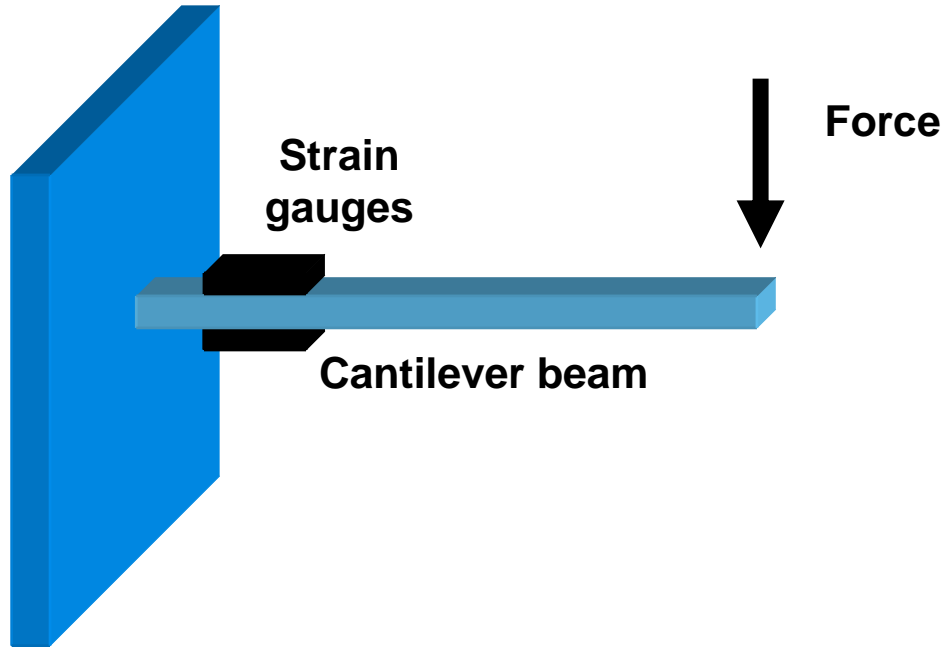
Acceleration Sensors

- Strain gauge accelerometers



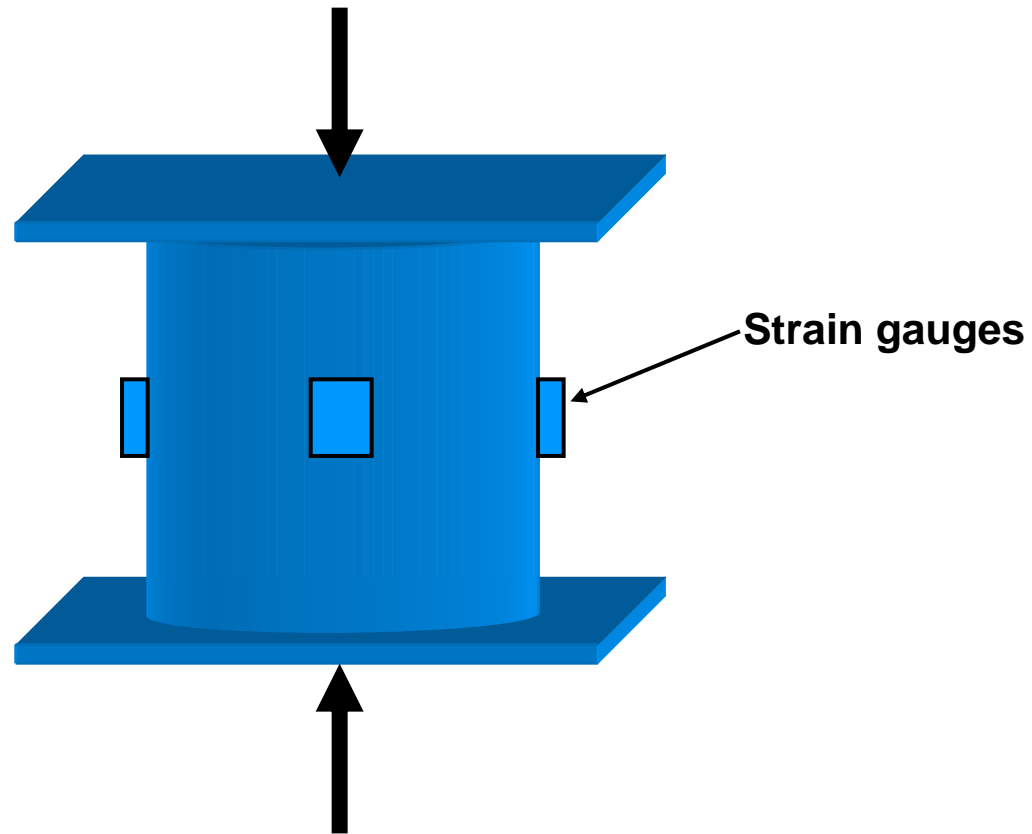
Force Sensors

- Cantilever beam

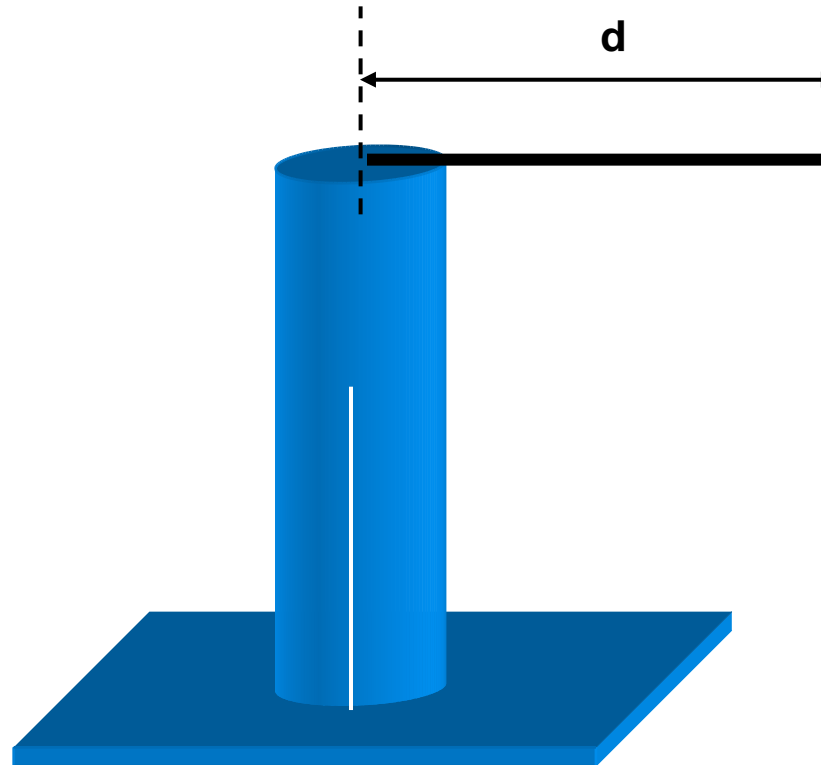


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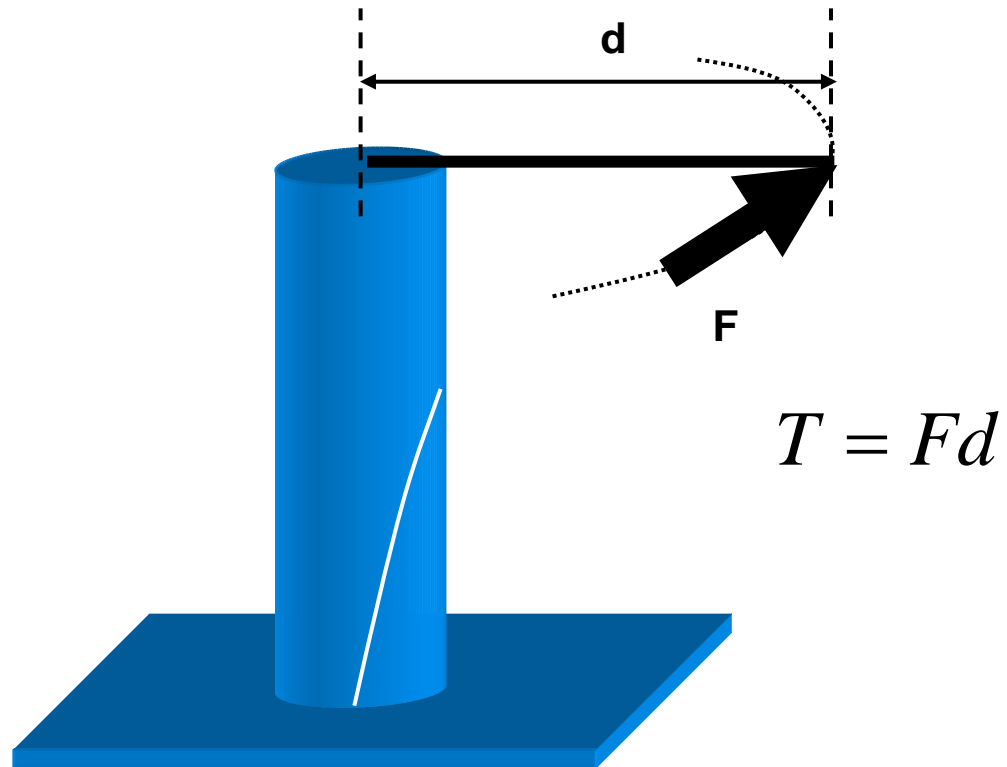
- Hollow cylinder



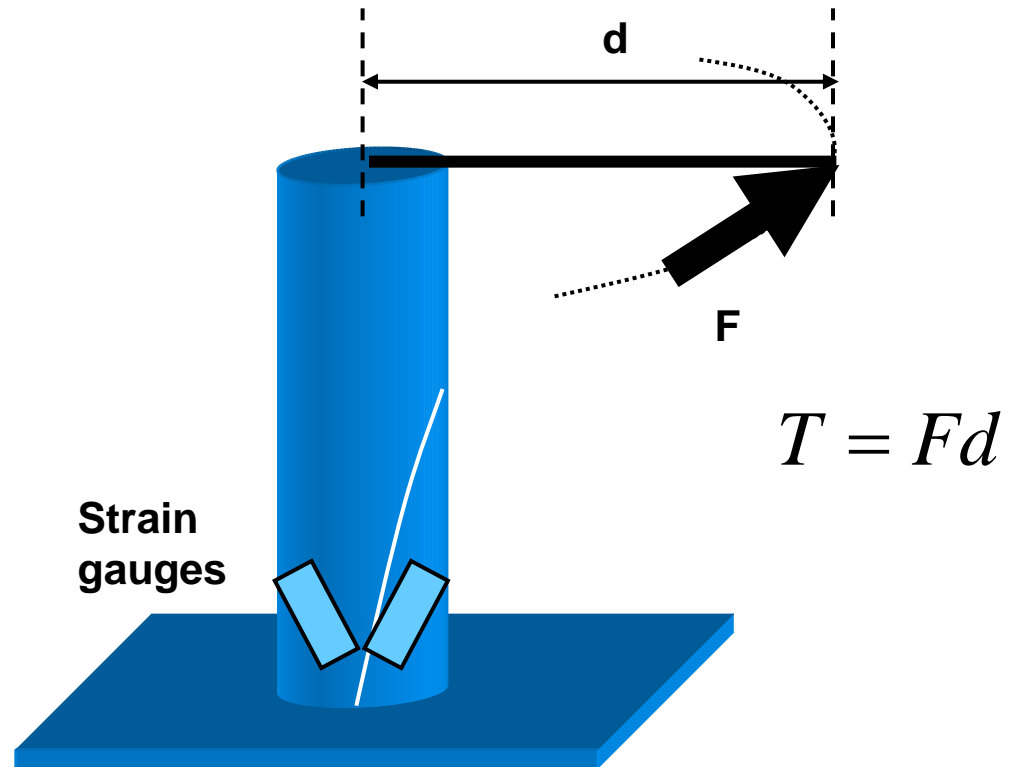
Torque Sensor



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Next time

- More measurement sensors

Homework 7

- Problems 8.2, 8.7, 8.10, 8.27, 8.29