

# An Introduction to Electrical Engineering

History- Part II

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# 19th century developments

- In 1873 [James Clerk Maxwell](#) stimulated several theorists to think in terms of [fields](#) described by [Maxwell's equations](#).
- Bringing together for the first time electricity, [magnetism](#), and light as different manifestations of the same phenomenon.



# 19th century developments

- Maxwell's equations for electromagnetism have been called the "second great unification in physics" after the first one realized by Isaac Newton.
- The unification of light and electrical phenomena led to the prediction of the existence of radio waves.

# 19th century developments

- During the latter part of the 1800s, the study of electricity was largely considered to be a subfield of [physics](#).
- It was not until the late 19th century that [universities](#) started to offer [degrees](#) in electrical engineering.
- [Darmstadt University of Technology](#)
- [Massachusetts Institute of Technology](#)

# 19th century developments

- [Cornell University](#)
- [University College London](#)
- [University of Missouri](#)
- During this period commercial use of electricity increased dramatically.
- Starting in the late 1870s cities started installing large scale electric street lighting systems based on [arc lamps](#).



# 19th century developments

- After the development of a practical incandescent lamp for indoor lighting, Thomas Edison switched on the world's first public electric supply utility, using what was considered a relatively safe 110 volts direct current system to supply customers.
- Phonograph for the mechanical recording and reproduction of sound.



# 19th century developments

- He is often credited with establishing the first industrial [research laboratory](#).
- In the US there was a rivalry, primarily between a Westinghouse AC and the Edison DC system known as the "[War of Currents](#)".



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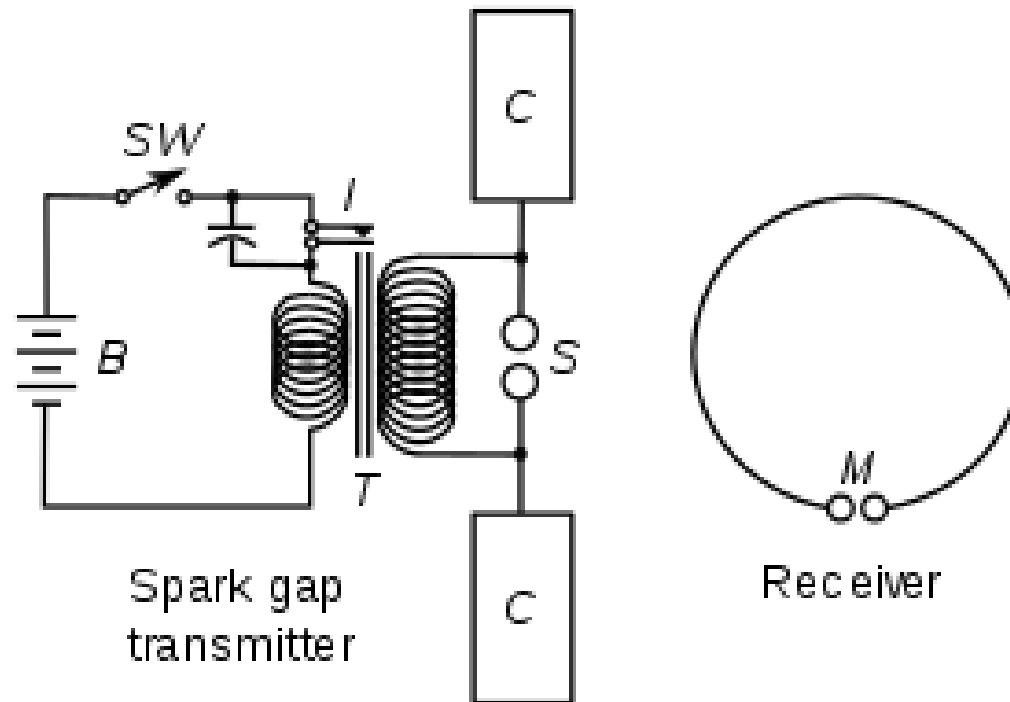
- [Charles Proteus Steinmetz](#) helped foster the development of alternating current that made possible the expansion of the electric power industry in the United States, formulating mathematical theories for engineers.





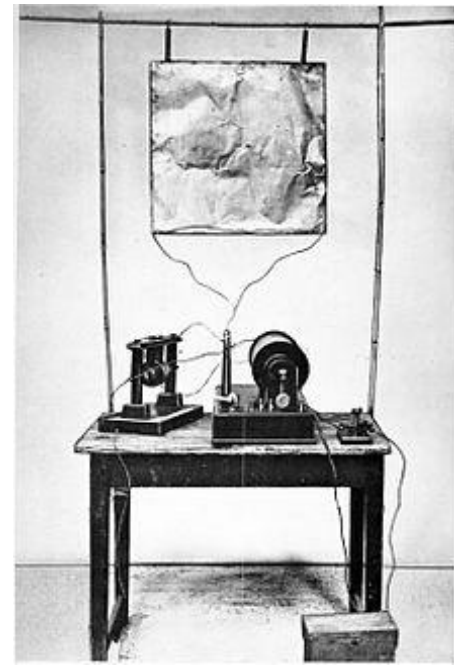
# 19th century developments

- In his classic [UHF](#) experiments of 1888, [Heinrich Hertz](#) demonstrated the existence of electromagnetic waves ([radio waves](#))



# 19th century developments

- Guglielmo Marconi was an inventor and [electrical engineer](#), known for his pioneering work on long-distance [radio transmission](#), development of [Marconi's law](#), and a [radio telegraph](#) system.



# 20th century developments

- [John Fleming](#) invented the first radio tube, the [diode](#), in 1904.
- He also established the [left-hand rule](#) for electric motors.



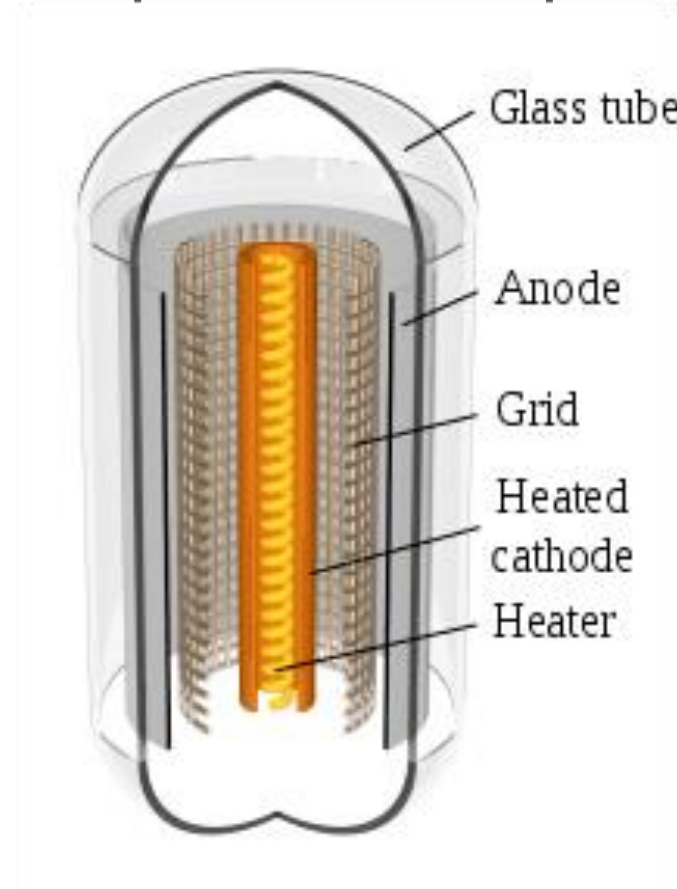
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- [Reginald Fessenden](#) recognized that a continuous wave needed to be generated to make speech transmission possible, and by the end of 1906 he sent the first radio broadcast of voice.
- Fessenden is best known for the foundations of [amplitude modulation](#) (AM) radio.



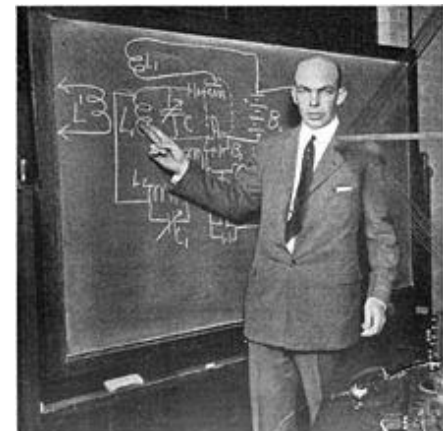
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- Also in 1906, [Robert von Lieben](#) and [Lee De Forest](#) independently developed the amplifier tube, called the [triode](#).



# 20th century developments

- [Edwin Howard Armstrong](#) enabling technology for [electronic television](#), in 1931.
- He is best known for developing FM ([frequency modulation](#)) radio and the [superheterodyne](#) receiver system.
- He held 42 patents including wide-band FM radio and FM Doppler radar.



# 20th century developments

- **The second world war** saw tremendous advances in the field of electronics.
- These studies were published after the war in '[Radio Communication Series](#)' published by McGraw-Hill in 1946.
- In 1941 [Konrad Zuse](#) presented the [Z3](#), the world's first fully functional and programmable computer.

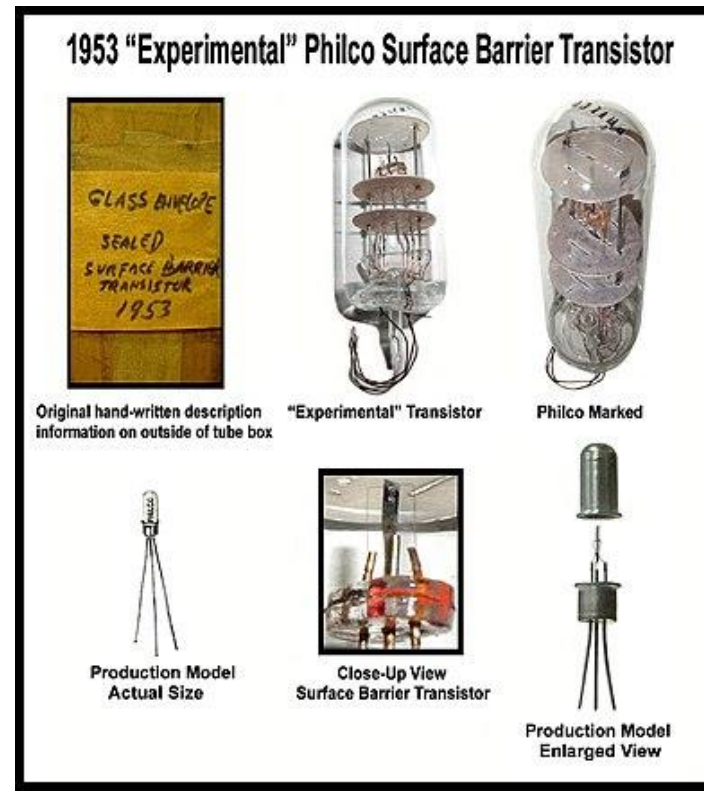
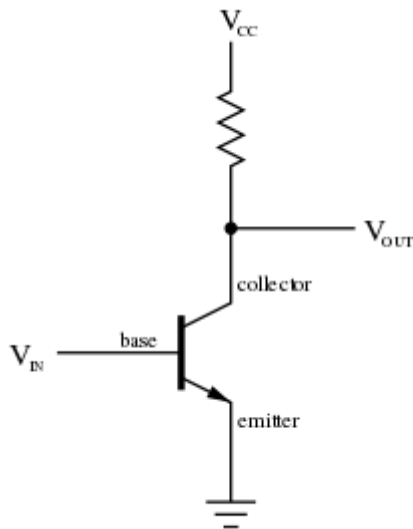
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- Later, in post war years, consumer devices began to be developed.
- Electrical engineering field broadened to include modern TV, audio systems, Hi-Fi and latterly computers and microprocessors.



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- The invention of the transistor in 1947 by William B. Shockley, John Bardeen and Walter Brattain opened the door for more compact devices.



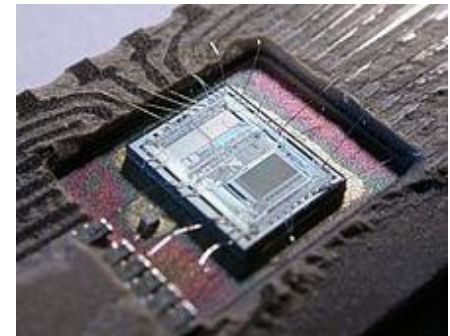
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- This invention led to the development of the integrated circuit in 1958 by Jack Kilby and independently in 1959 by Robert Noyce.



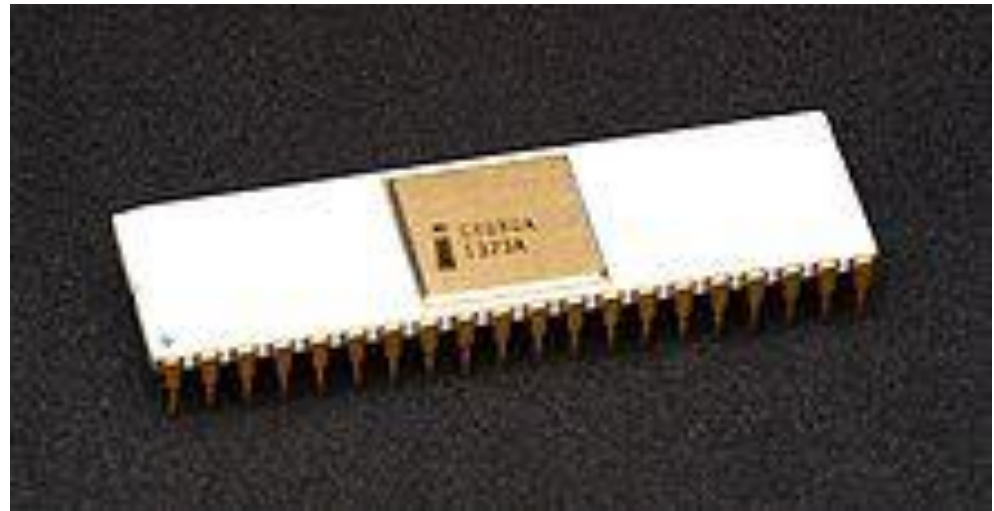
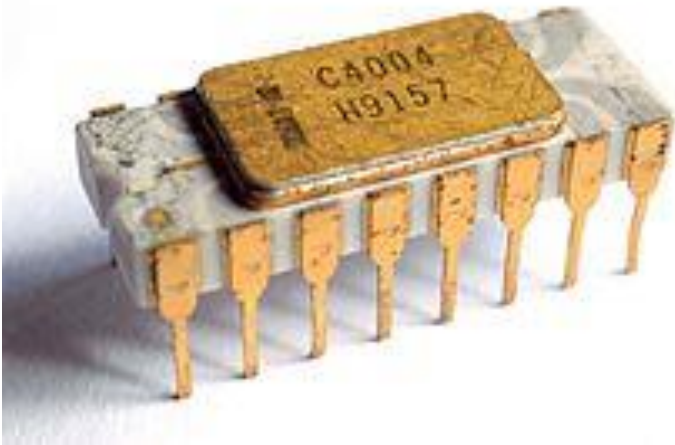
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- In the mid to late 1950s, the term radio engineering gradually gave way to the name electronics engineering, which then became a stand-alone university degree subject.
- In 1968 [Marcian Hoff](#) invented the first [microprocessor](#) at [Intel](#) and thus ignited the development of the [personal computer](#).



# 20th century developments

- The first realization of the microprocessor was the [Intel 4004](#), a 4-bit processor developed in 1971, but only in 1973 did the [Intel 8080](#), an 8-bit processor.



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