

Custom design and manufacture of state-of-the-art battery chargers, UPS, and power supplies for OEMs in a hurry!

Wedding

Two Antennas got married - the wedding was lousy, but the reception was outstanding.

Contributed by Chris Wantuck

Lost

Two atoms are walking down the street, and one says to the other, "Wait, wait, we have to go back. I've lost an electron somewhere."

The second atom says, "Really? Are you sure?"

To which the first atom replies, "Yes. I'm positive."

Heard on NPR and contributed by Peter MacLean Kunhardt

Nothing but trouble

The engineer comes in to talk to his chief engineer. "I'm having trouble with that power supply circuit you put me to work on."

"OK, let's talk about it, said his boss. Is it oscillating?"

"No," said the engineer, it is stable."

"How is the efficiency?"

"About 87%"

"Is there ringing on the gate?"

"Nothing above normal."

"What about noise and ripple?"

"They are well within spec."

"Then what's the problem?"

"The darn thing's on fire!"

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Q: How many mathematicians does it take to screw in a light bulb?

A: One. He gives the assignment to six blond Zen-Buddhist graduate students from California, thereby reducing the problem to a finite series of earlier jokes.

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5 year old: "Mom, can I sleep with jumper cables under my pillow?"

Mom: "OK, but you have to promise not to start anything."

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Define "Flashlight"

"A containment vessel for leaking batteries."

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Ed. note: All the puns that are fit to print in one story. Resist trying to read it to your co-workers, serious bodily harm could result.

Reward Offered:

A reward of 5000 bits is offered for data leading to the lightning arrest of this desperate criminal: Hop-a-long Capacity.

This unrectified criminal dissipated (discharged himself) from a Western prism where he was held in soliton confinement in a primary cell, clamped in ions awaiting the quartz decision between the gauss chamber or death by lethal induction. He tunneled through the schottky barrier and punched-through an insulated gate, thus avoiding the mesa's guard ring. He then beta swift retreat in a stolon alpha. His last meal was to have been erg and pawn curie .

He was charged with the interference, impedance and induction of an 18 turn air-core bobbin, n-sine Millie Henry who was found choked, gapped and robbed of valuable joules, which really erged her and caused her brother Mike O. Henry to re-coil concerned that she had lost phase. Though still fit for continuous duty the attendants opted to carrier away on a liter (her CO2 had centiliter). She exhibited reluctance to being shunted away like an invalid, crying "I'm not dyne" Though later she emitted "It really Hertz." Capacity had even stooped to peltier with rocks.

Hop-a-long, who said he couldn't resistor, is armed with a carbon rod heater, has high mobility and is a potential killer.

The cholesteric Capacity is also charged with driving a dc motor open-loop over a Wheatstone bridge and refusing to let a band-pass. Use cation if encountered, he has the capacitance to offer series resistance. If beta captured tie with a phase lock loop, conduct him to the nearest secondary cell and transmitter wire to the police.

The localized force, officers Newton and Slug, were catalyzed and spent the night probing for him in a magnetic field, where he had gone to earth. They report nothing positive and believe he has returned ohm via an unintended ground loop path. They are anxious to run him to ground so he can be passivated and recharged with nu crimes. Please contact them with feedback no matter watt-hour, especially if you hear shot noise.

A native of PN Junction, Hop-a-long will often on a faraday ride a cyclotron or rho an arc with his short girl friend Eddie Current who plays a harmonic. He drives with a heavy photon the accelerator. He may flyback to his ohm town.

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First he gave his mother-in-law an electric toothbrush.  
Then he gave her an electric blanket.  
Then he gave her an electric carving knife.

He's working his way up to a chair.

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What to give your favorite electrical engineer for his birthday?

Shorts.

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Click on the thumbnail to see the full picture. A few things to notice is that they are using European plugs, so the voltage is 240VAC, and don't forget to notice the flip-flops used as a flotation device.  
mainframe

I am sure that this picture was staged, so no Italians were actually in danger of electrocution. Bootlick

Q: What is the most sycophantic resistor?

A: 110 ohms

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Have you heard about the engineer who got his finger stuck in the e-prom burner? He inadvertently programmed himself.

He didn't notice any difference until he got to the grocery store and started shifting registers.

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The red wire said to the black wire "Why are you so sad?"

The black wire replied "I've been grounded."

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Growing up

Little motor: "Grandpa, why do you have 4 wires and I only have two?"

Big motor: "That's just a phase that's going through you."

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One photon to another: I am sick and tired of your interference.

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A man was complaining about his life to his clergyman.

"I was a hard-working clerk making \$30,000 per year. I was frugal, living carefully, saving my money, and I was happy and content.

Then one day I fell in with some shady characters and I got suckered into a high-stakes poker game. That was my ruin. Now I am anxious, stressed, and miserable."

His friend says "So you fell into temptation and lost all your savings?"  
"No, I won, and like a fool I bought this lousy internet company."

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As Entrepreneurs we tend to want to teach our children the lessons that we have learned. Sometimes this is confusing to them. One entrepreneur sat his four year old son down and said  
"It's time for your lesson." What's two plus two?  
The little boy said "Two plus two is Six."  
"No, son," his father said, two plus two is not six. "Two plus two is four."  
"I'm sorry, father," said the little boy. "I thought we were negotiating."

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An engineering manager was once asked his definition of "Teamwork."

He said "Teamwork is where everyone in the department is doing what I tell them without whining.

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If necessity is the mother of invention, why are there so many unnecessary inventions?

This joke is in the public domainThis one is too cute (and topical) to pass up. A story at The Onion

I Enjoy Being a Battery  
By a Nine-Volt Battery

Enjoy being battery! Enjoy providing power for! Nine volts power! Last very long! Keep providing power until die! Give power and power and more power until cannot give power anymore! Enjoy very much giving power!  
For the complete story [click here](#)Salt

There was the engineer that was putting sea water in his batteries without the boss knowing. He was arrested for salt-in-battery, but even though the charge wouldn't hold up, he is sitting in his cell serving two current sentences.

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Bats

Scientists have found a way to inject Bat genes into students. They ended up with engineers who like to be kept in the dark!

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A new technician was put to work on the production line test station. "Just plug in the connector and read the voltage. If the voltage reads between 3 and 4 volts it passes. If not it fails, and you put it in the "fail" bin."

After his first shift he told his supervisor "I quit."

"What is the matter?" asked the supervisor, "the work can't be that hard."

"Oh, it isn't the work, that's easy. I'm going crazy with making all those decisions!"

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One manager was bragging to another. "I have a great engineer working for me. Last week I gave him a project and he stayed up for six straight days, completed the circuit board design, finished the bill of materials and wrote a thousand lines of firmware. The completed project was on my desk when I got to work on Monday morning."

His friend asked "So how far ahead of schedule was he?"

The manager said, "Ahead of schedule? Who ever heard of an engineer doing that?"

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Why did the battery-powered branding iron fail in the marketplace?

The calves weren't impressed by it.

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Sweet

What is cylindrical, sweet, brown, and has 10,000 ohms?

A chocolate-covered resistor.

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Capital Equipment

An engineer walks into his boss's office and says "I want enough money to buy a new HP System Analyzer."

His boss says "Why do you need a System Analyzer?"

The engineer says "I don't, I just want that much money."

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Book

I gave my nephew a book for his birthday. He went crazy trying to find where to put the batteries.

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A lady took her CD player into the repairman. "I am afraid you have a short circuit," he told her. She said "I don't care how much it costs, lengthen it."

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Job Requirements

To survive as a power supply designer you need just two things--a solid technical foundation and CPR.

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Car battery

I took my car to my mechanic for a checkup. He told me that my battery needs a new car.

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Constructive Criticism

An engineer gets a call from his patent lawyer. "Good news," he says. "RCA just licensed your invention and left a check for a million dollars. Come over and sign the deal and pick up the check."

About two hours later the engineer finally shows up at the lawyer's office.

"What kept you?" said the attorney. "On the way out I decided to stop by the Chief Engineer's office and tell him what I thought of his latest circuit."

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Shuttle Delay

The space shuttle pilot and co-pilot are sitting atop the rocket waiting for launch. Over the headphones they hear announced a ten minute delay. "Oh, no," said the pilot.

The co-pilot said "No big deal, this happens all the time."

The pilot said, "No, look at the monitor, they're bringing in jumper cables."

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Not Perfect

A solar panel installer was up on a roof, when out of the sky a bolt of lightning strikes the roof, blowing him off the roof, across the street, and through the neighbor's picture window.

He gets off the floor, turns to the startled family and says "That's the one thing I hate about this job."

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Tags attached to laboratory equipment in the hope that it will prevent it from "walking off."

Danger: High Impedance

Warning: This device contains pure matter, which is known by the State of California to cause warpage of space and time.

Warning: Operate only while wearing a lead apron.

Notice: You are free to borrow this spectrum analyzer as long as you return it within 24 hours. And please let me know if you start itching or have trouble focusing your eyes while in the 100 MHz to 2 GHz ranges.

© Copyright Mark W. Lund 2005 Fireflies

Scientists have developed a firefly that is 10,000 times brighter than a wild firefly. The only problem is that the firefly is a little disgruntled at being strapped to a five pound battery.

© Copyright Mark W. Lund 2005 Lyrics to "Who let the Smoke Out."

Who let the smoke out

(who, who, who, who)

(who, who, who, who)

(who, who, who, who)

(who, who, who, who)

Who let the smoke out (who, who, who, who)

Who let the smoke out (who, who, who, who)

(who, who, who, who)

When the circuit was made, the product was sumpin' (Hey, Yippie, Yi, Yo)

And everybody proud of it all (Hah, ho, Yippie Yi Yo)

I tell the fellas "start the thing pumpin" (Yippie Yi Yo)

And the plug goes in to the wall

The smoke broke show brown

Who let the smoke out (who, who, who, who)

Who let the smoke out (who, who, who, who)

Who let the smoke out (who, who, who, who)

Who let the smoke out (who, who, who, who)

I see a little smoke puff--makin' some toast

Lights really dim in the town

Get blame off me, shame off me

Rollout is gon' take a bit longer