# **CET246 Electronic Design Automation**

Classifying Components

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As we bridge the gap between electrical and physical construction, components can be classified by:

- 1. Electrical characteristics
- 2. Physical package

## **Electrical Classifications**

A passive device:

- 1. contributes no power gain (amplification) to a circuit or system
- 2. no control action
- 3. does not require any input other than a signal to perform its function

An active device:

- 1. are capable of controlling voltages or current
- 2. can create a switching action in the circuit
- 3. can amplify or interpret a signal

**Discrete component:** A component packaged with one or two functional elements

**Integrated circuit:** A combination of several interconnected discrete components packaged in a single case to perform multiple functions

Polarized components have leads marked with positive and negative polarity.

Most notable:

- 1. Capacitors
- 2. Diodes





#### **Polarized Components**



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## **Package Classifications**

## THT vs SMT

- THT Through-hole Technology
- SMT Surface-mount Technology







## Axial vs Radial

Axis: an imaginary line about which a body rotates.

**<u>Radius</u>**: a straight line from the center to the circumference of a circle or sphere.



#### **Common Discrete Packages**





Dual Inline Package (DIP)







