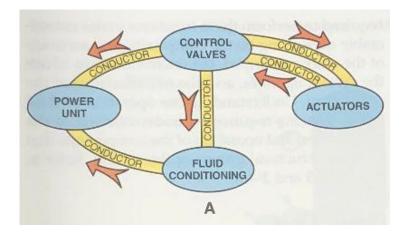


Fluid Power John R. Leeman 8/3/21



Fluid power systems consist of components to condition, power, conduct, control, and utilize fluids for force amplification



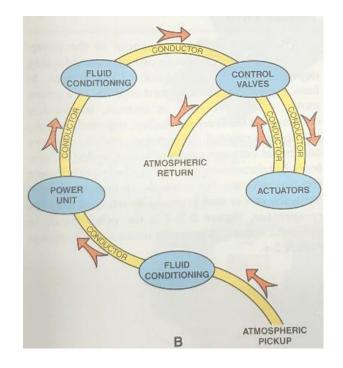




Image: Fluid Power (Daines)

# Hydraulic and air hoses, fittings, etc come in MANY varieties

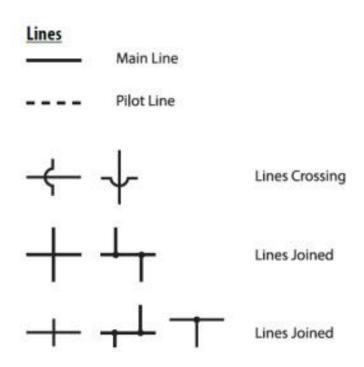






Images: Grainger

### Fluid conductors are drawn like electrical conductors





#### Power units provide the energy the system needs to move fluids



# Cylinders are one of the most common actuators and come in several

varieties

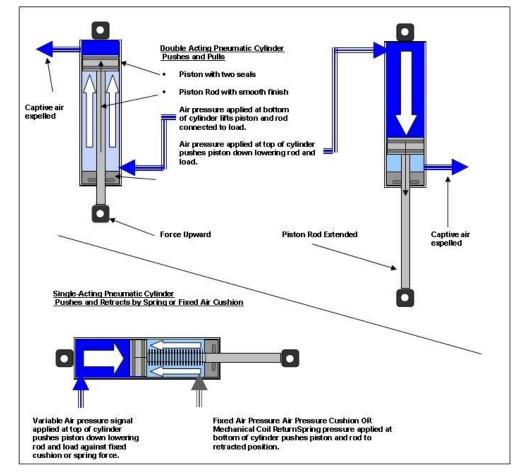


Image: It Still Runs

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Cylinder (Spring Return)



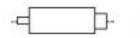
Cylinder Double Acting (Double Rod)



Cylinder Double Acting (Single fixed cushion)



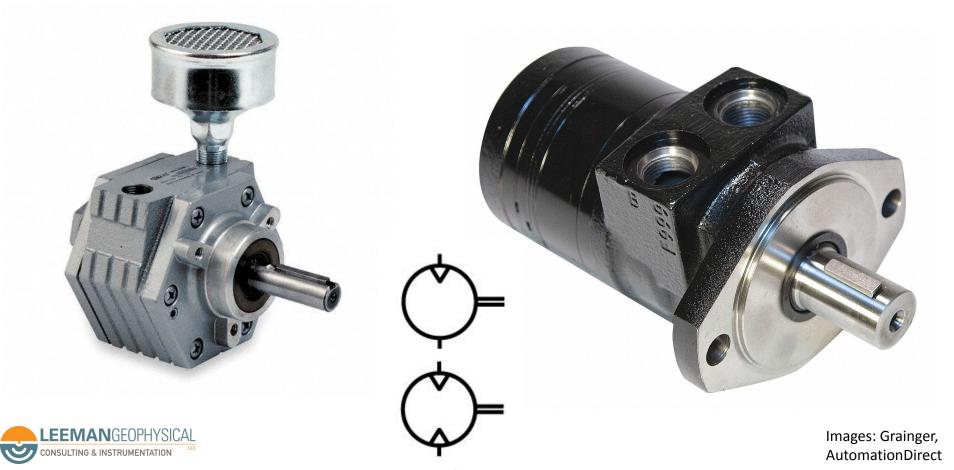
Cylinder Double Acting (Two adjustable cushions)



Differential Pressure



# Motors are another convenient tool

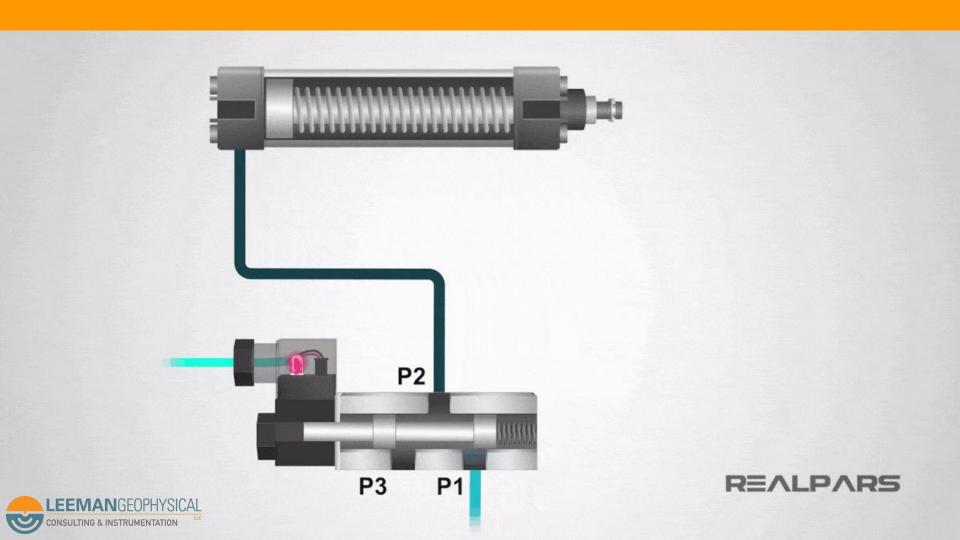


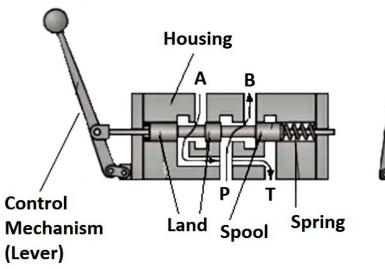
### Control valves direct our fluid with manual, fluid, or electrical inputs

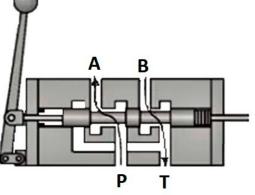




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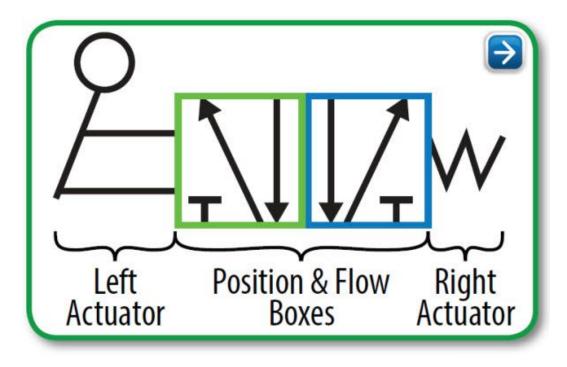




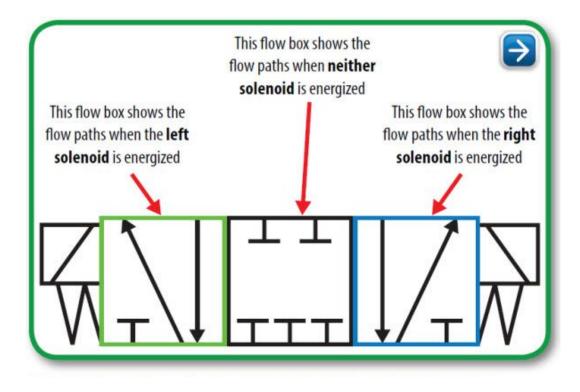




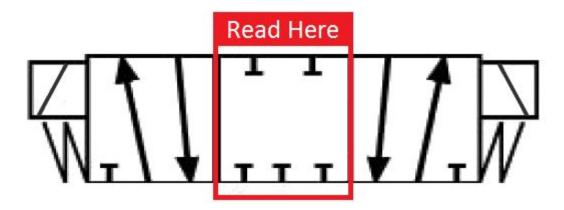
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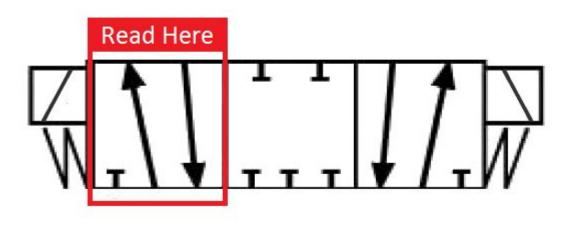




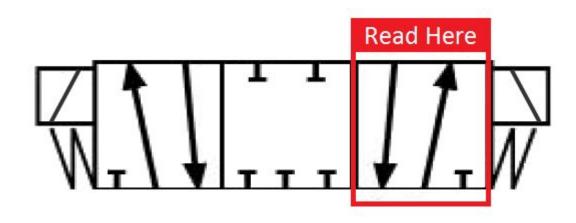






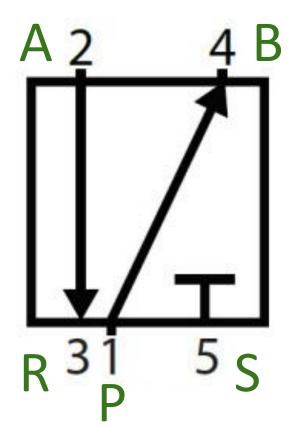






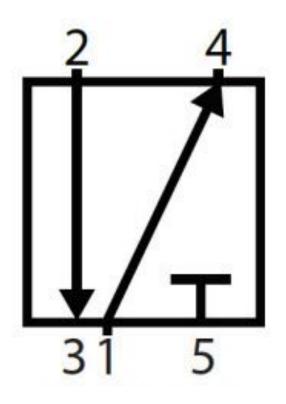


# Ports are the number of endpoints shown in a single box





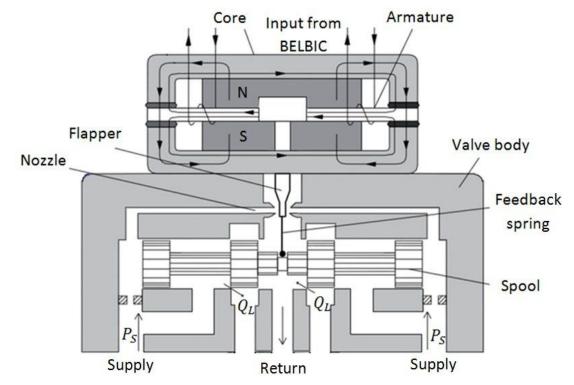
# Ports vs. Ways can get confusing when buying a valve





# Servo valves are commonly used for precision control of hydraulic systems

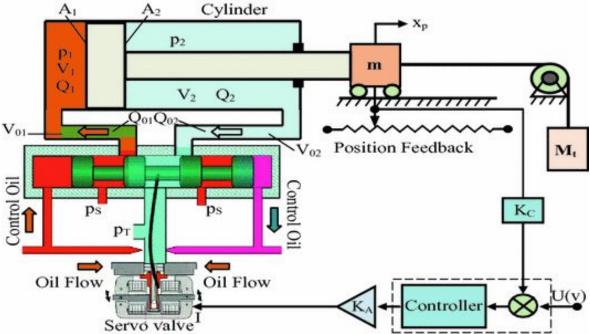






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# Fluid conditioning for hydraulics is relatively straightforward

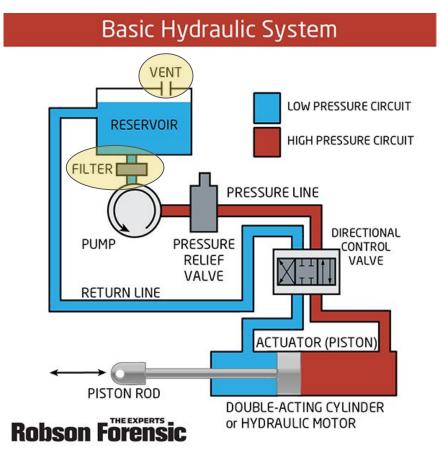




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#### Pneumatics has a few more steps

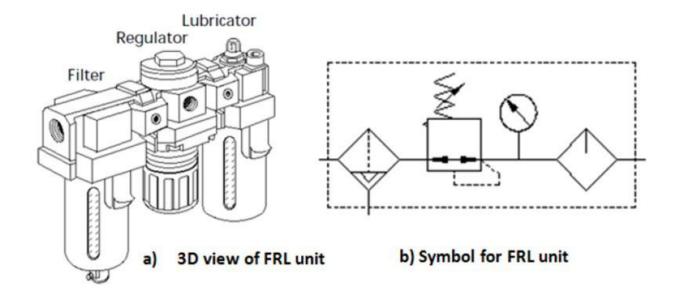
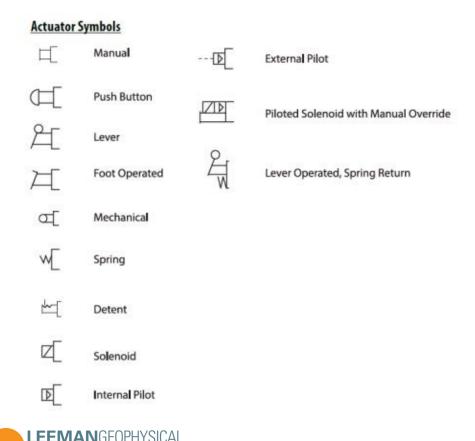




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# Keeping a table of symbols is handy since we don't do this full time



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#### **Directional Control Valve Symbols**



2-position, 2-way, 2 ported



2-position, 3-way, 3 ported



2-position, 4-way, 4 ported



2-position, 4-way, 5 ported



3-position, 4-way, 4 ported Closed Center



3-position, 4-way, 5 ported Closed Center



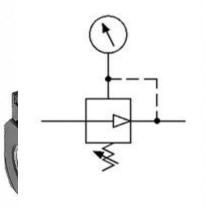
3-position, 4-way, 5 ported Pressure Center



3-position, 4-way, 5 ported Open Center

# Regulation of system pressure is also important, but very similar









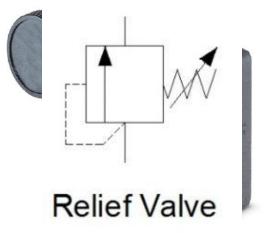


Image: Grainger, OMAX, Machinery Lubrication, Fluid Power World



# Accumulators are like fluid power capacitors



# Pneumatics store a dangerous amount of energy!





Image: American Chemical Society

### Hydraulics can cause injection injury and severe burns





# Common things to look for

- Blocked lines
- Bad filters
- Worn seals
- Moisture in the system
- Stuck valves
- Leaking conduits
- Bad pressure reliefs

