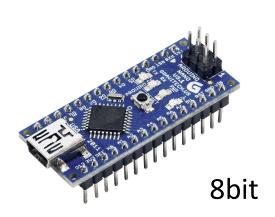
Development boards Overview

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Microcontroller Development Boards



Arduino

Arduino + Arduino -

Inexpensive No debugger

Many examples Poor learning ramp

Many libraries Complex tasks needs datasheet

Arduino IDE Arduino IDE

Simple examples =

no need for datasheet understanding



RP2040 (dual-core Arm Cortex-M0 at 133MHz)

Raspberry Pico W

264KB RAM

2MB (on-board QSPI flash)

26 GPIO pins, 3 analog inputs 2× UART, 2× SPI controllers, 2× I2C

16× PWM channels, 1× USB 1.1

2.4CUz 202.11b/g/p.Wi Ei

2.4GHz 802.11b/g/n Wi-Fi

Inexpensive / Own IDE



32bit, M7

Teensy 4.1

FPU, 64 & 32 bits
7936K Flash, 1024K RAM, 4K EEPROM (em)
55 digital IOs, 35 PWM, 18 analog inputs
8 serial, 3 SPI, 3 I2C ports
2 I2S/TDM and 1 S/PDIF digital audio port

3 CAN Bus (1 with CAN FD)

1 SDIO (4 bit) native SD Card port

Ethernet 10/100 Mbit with DP83825 PHY

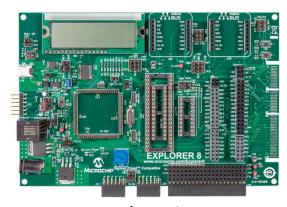
32 general purpose DMA channels

RTC for date/time

Arduino IDE, Python, ...

Inexpensive / hardly available

Microchip microcontroller development boards



Explorer 8

8-bit CPs

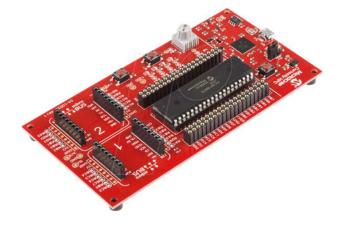
Expensive

Versatile

Debugger

MPLAB X

C coding



Curiosity

8/16-bit versions

Medium Expensive

Medium versatile

No external debugger

MPLAB X

C coding / MCC



Xpress

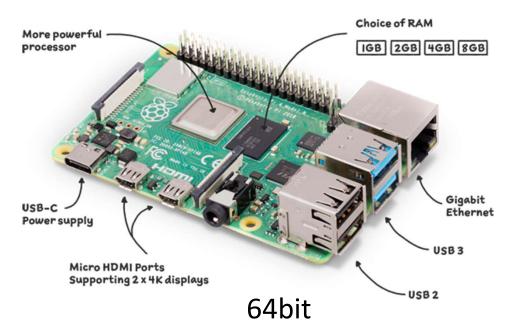
8 / 16 bit versions

Inexpensive Only MCU!

Breadboard needed

No debugging, just programming via .hex file MPLAB X / MPLAX Xpress C coding / MCC

Raspberry PI 4B Microprocessor Board



Quad core Cortex-A72 @ 1.5GHz

Broadcom BCM2711
8GB LPDDR4-3200 SDRAM
2.4 & 5.0 GHz IEEE 802.11ac wireless
Bluetooth 5.0, BLE
Gigabit Ethernet
2 USB 3.0 ports; 2 USB 2.0 ports
Standard 40 pin GPIO header (see next slide)
4-pole stereo audio and composite video port
2 micro-HDMI ports (up to 4kp60 supported)
2-lane MIPI DSI display port, 2-lane MIPI CSI camera port
H.265 (4kp60 decode),
H264 (1080p60 decode, 1080p30 encode)
MicroSD card (mandatory)

Raspberry PI 4B (continued)

5V with 3A minimum

40 Pin connector

- 28 digital I/O Pins (no analog inputs)
- 1 x SPI, 2 x I²C, 1 x UART, 4 x PWM

| Raspberry Pi 4 B J8 GPIO Header | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|----|---------------------|------|--|--|
| Pin# | NAME | | NAME | Pin# | | |
| 01 | 3.3v DC Power | | DC Power 5v | 02 | | |
| 03 | GPIO02 (SDA1, I2C) | 00 | DC Power 5v | 04 | | |
| 05 | GPIO03 (SCL1, I2C) | 00 | Ground | 06 | | |
| 07 | GPIO04 (GPCLK0) | 00 | (TXD0, UART) GPIO14 | 08 | | |
| 09 | Ground | 00 | (RXD0, UART) GPIO15 | 10 | | |
| 11 | GPIO17 | 00 | (PWM0) GPIO18 | 12 | | |
| 13 | GPIO27 | 00 | Ground | 14 | | |
| 15 | GPIO22 | 00 | GPIO23 | 16 | | |
| 17 | 3.3v DC Power | 00 | GPIO24 | 18 | | |
| 19 | GPIO10 (SPI0_MOSI) | 00 | Ground | 20 | | |
| 21 | GPIO09 (SPI0_MISO) | 00 | GPIO25 | 22 | | |
| 23 | GPIO11 (SPIO_CLK) | 00 | (SPIO_CEO_N) GPIO08 | 24 | | |
| 25 | Ground | 00 | (SPIO_CE1_N) GPIO07 | 26 | | |
| 27 | GPIO00 (SDA0, I2C) | 00 | (SCL0, I2C) GPIO01 | 28 | | |
| 29 | GPIO05 | 00 | Ground | 30 | | |
| 31 | GPIO06 | 00 | (PWM0) GPIO12 | 32 | | |
| 33 | GPIO13 (PWM1) | 00 | Ground | 34 | | |
| 35 | GPIO19 | 00 | GPIO16 | 36 | | |
| 37 | GPIO26 | 00 | GPIO20 | 38 | | |
| | | | | | | |

Raspberry Pi 4 B J14 PoE Header

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| 01 | TR01 | | TR00 02 |
|----|------|----|---------|
| 03 | TR03 | 00 | TR02 04 |

Pinout Grouping Legend

Inter-Integrated Circuit Serial Bus O Ungrouped/Un-Allocated GPIO

Ground



Serial Peripheral Interface Bus

GPIO21

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Reserved for EEPROM



Universal Asynchronous Receiver-Transmitter

19/06/2019 CGS

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www.element14.com/RaspberryPi

Other microcontroller boards

- ESP32 Microcontroller Board (32 bit)
- ESP8266 Microcontroller Board (32 bit)
- STM32F103C8T6 Microcontroller Board (32 bit)

SparkFun RED-V RedBoard, SiFive RISC-V

FE310 SoC

Features:

Arduino R3 Footprint

CPU: 256 MHz, 320MHz (turbo)

- 16 KB Instruction Cache, 16 KB Data Scratchpad

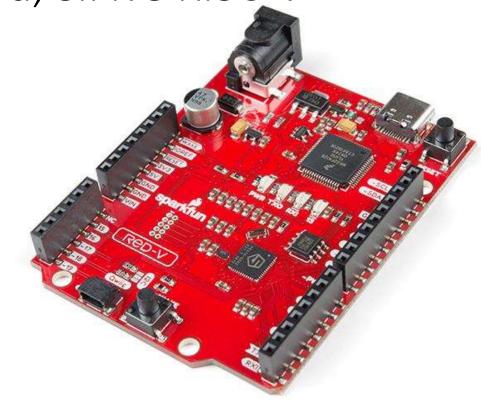
- HW-Multiply/Division, Debug-Module

19 digital Pins, 9 PWM-Pins, no analog input

SPI-Controller/HW CS-Pins: 1/3

Interrupt-Pins: 19

Wakeup-Pins: 1 (& Taster)



32bit, RISC-V

SiFive Freedom E310 @ 256 MHz

CPU performance evolution

