

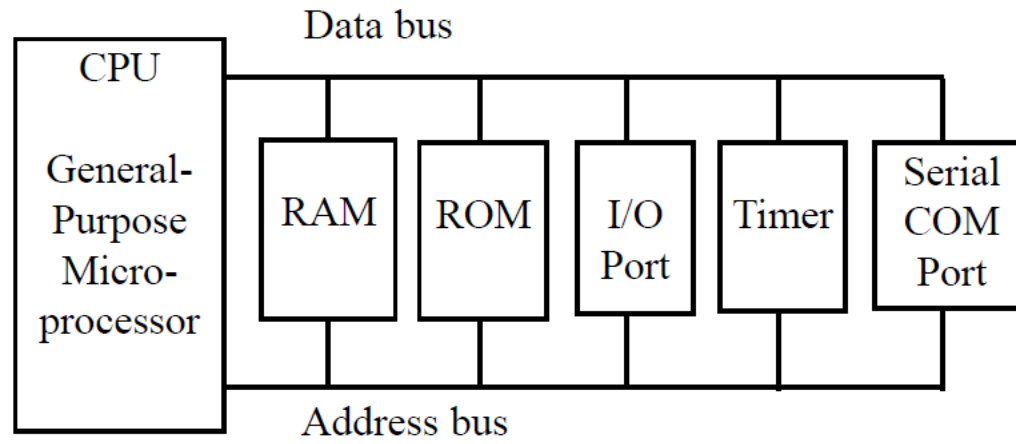
# Intro to Embedded Microp & AVR

ENEE 3582

Microp

# General Purpose vs Embedded

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|----------------------------------|---|
| ❖ Microprocessors in computers   | ❖ Microcontrollers for devices              |
| ❖ Processes information          | ❖ Controls mech/elect/electronic            |
| ❖ Runs many apps                 | ❖ Runs single/limited apps                  |
| ❖ Software and OS                | ❖ Firmware, no OS                           |
| ❖ Newer (started in 1980)        | ❖ Older (1970)                              |
| ❖ Lots of RAM                    | ❖ Tiny RAM                                  |
| ❖ Many pins                      | ❖ Limited pins                              |
| ❖ Power hungry                   | ❖ Low power                                 |
| ❖ Non-RT apps                    | ❖ RT apps                                   |
| ❖ Advanced, expensive, large die | ❖ Simple, cost-effective, small die         |
| ❖ Multicore                      | ❖ Peripheral support, System-on-a-chip(SoC) |
| ❖ Multiple human interfaces      | ❖ No/limited human interface                |
| ❖ Not typically rated            | ❖ Rated for temp/pressure/vibration         |



CPU	RAM	ROM
I/O ----- ADC	Timer	Serial COM Port

# Choices of Microcontrollers

- ❖ Choose a microcontroller based on:
  - Speed/computation power
  - Peripheral support (sub-systems in SoC)
  - Power consumption
  - RAM/ROM needs
  - Number of IO pins needed
    - Packaging: DIP vs QFP
    - <https://www.eesemi.com/ic-package-types.htm>
  - Cost

# Choices of Microcontrollers

- ❖ 4-bit: E.g. COP400, EM73201, W741E260, HD404358
- ❖ 8-bit: E.g. 6502, Z80, 8051, AVR, PIC
  - A few bytes to a few hundred KB of RAM
  - Software is in asm and C
  - Still dominate both numbers and dollar volume
  - Two kinds:
    - Old-style CISC, E.g. 6502, Z80, 8051
      - These are >20 years old and doing well
    - Newer style RISC, E.g. **AVR**, PIC
- ❖ 16-bit: E.g. ARM, MIPS, MN10300, PPC
- ❖ 32-bit: E.g. 386, AVR32

# AVR

- ❖ Designed by two students of Norwegian Institute of Technology (NTH)
  - Bought and developed by Atmel in 1996. Atmel bought by Microchip in 2016
- ❖ AVR 8-bit family:
  - Classic AVR (AT90Sxxxx)
    - Replaced. Not recommended for new design
  - Mega AVR (ATmegaxxxx)
    - 120 instructions, expandable
    - Extensive peripheral sets
  - Tiny AVR (ATtinyxxxx)
    - Smaller, limited, low power, low cost
  - Special AVR
    - Unique peripherals: USB, ethernet, Zigbee, CAN
- ❖ AVR32: 32bit

# ATmega 2560

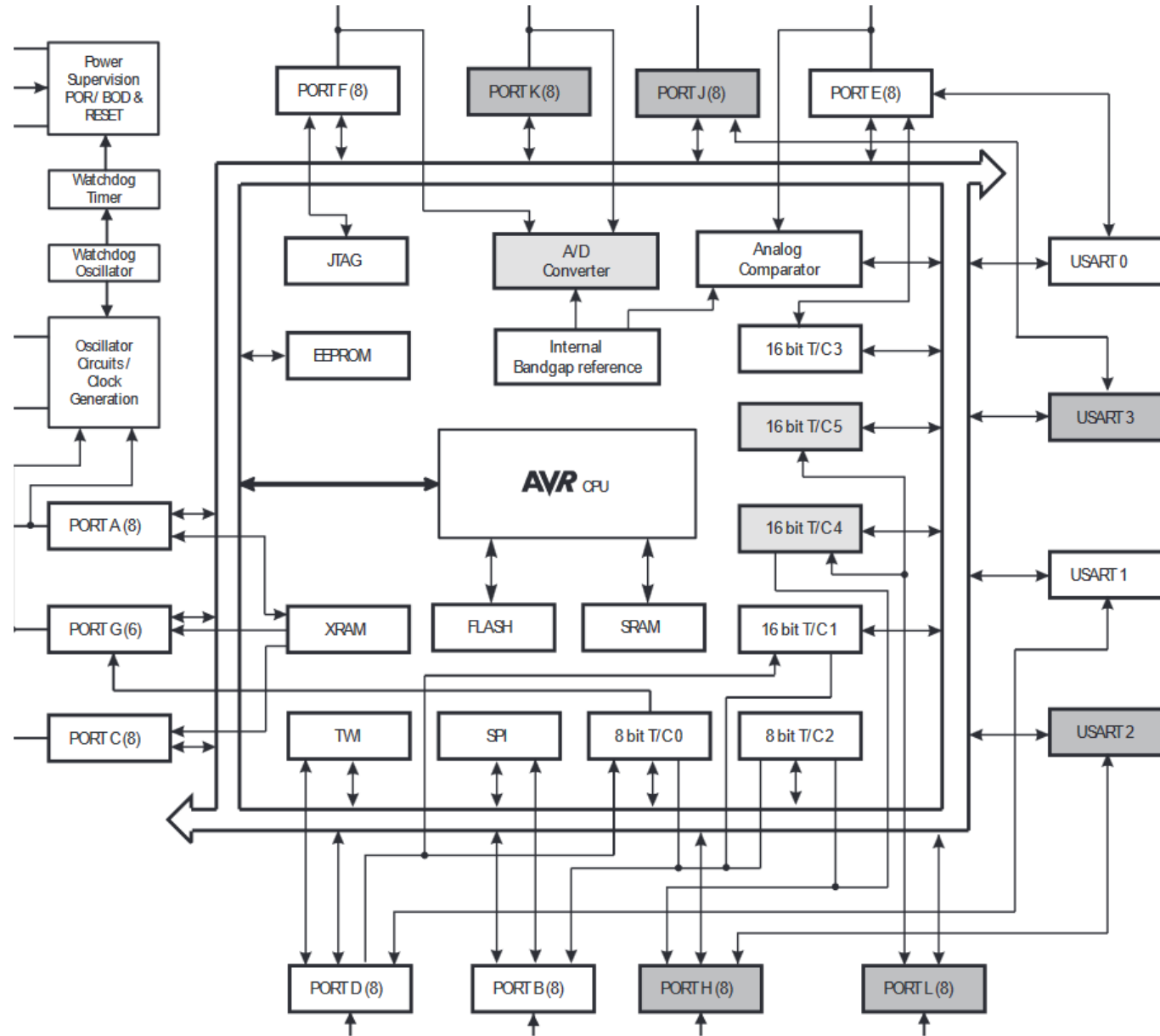
❖ Datasheets: <https://www.microchip.com/en-us/product/ATmega2560#document-table>

❖ AVR CPU Core:

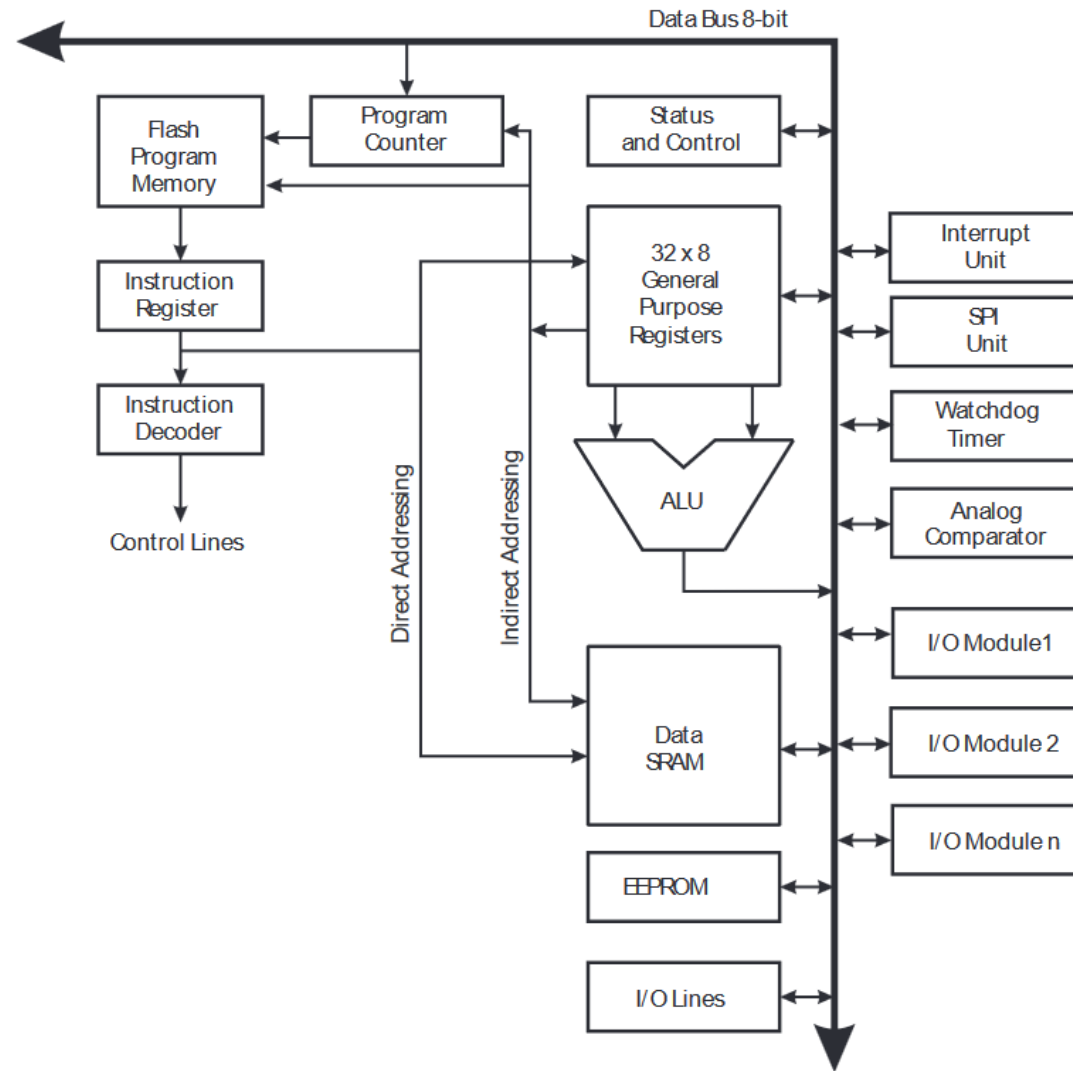
- 32, 8-bit registers: R0-R31
- 3, 16-bit indexing registers: X, Y, Z

❖ 4KB EEPROM, 8KB RAM

❖ Data registers:	address	0x0000-0x001F
❖ Internal data RAM (IRAM):	address	0x0200-0x21FF
❖ External data RAM (XRAM):	address	0x2200-0xFFFF
❖ EEPROM:	address	0x0000
❖ FLASH	address	0x000000-







Device	Flash	EEPROM	RAM	General Purpose I/O pins	16 bits resolution PWM channels	Serial USARTs	ADC Channels
ATmega640	64KB	4KB	8KB	86	12	4	16
ATmega1280	128KB	4KB	8KB	86	12	4	16
ATmega1281	128KB	4KB	8KB	54	6	2	8
ATmega2560	256KB	4KB	8KB	86	12	4	16
ATmega2561	256KB	4KB	8KB	54	6	2	8

Speed (MHz) <sup>(2)</sup>	Power Supply	Ordering Code	Package <sup>(1)(3)</sup>	Operation Range
8	1.8V - 5.5V	ATmega2560V-8AU ATmega2560V-8AUR <sup>(4)</sup> ATmega2560V-8CU ATmega2560V-8CUR <sup>(4)</sup>	100A 100A 100C1 100C1	Industrial (-40°C to 85°C)
16	4.5V - 5.5V	ATmega2560-16AU ATmega2560-16AUR <sup>(4)</sup> ATmega2560-16CU ATmega2560-16CUR <sup>(4)</sup>	100A 100A 100C1 100C1	

# RAM

- ❖ Random-access memory (RAM):
  - Allows read and writing of memory
  - Same amount of time is required to access any location on the same chip
  - Volatile: information is lost without power.
  - Used to store user's programs
- ❖ Dynamic RAM (DRAM):
  - Uses 1 transistor and 1 capacitor for 1 bit.
  - Periodic refresh is required to maintain the contents of chip.
  - Asynchronous
  - SDRAM: synchronous DRAM (edge triggered)
- ❖ Static RAM (SRAM):
  - No periodic refresh is required
  - Uses 4-6 transistors for 1 bit

# ROM

- ❖ Read-only memory (ROM):
  - Can only be read but not written by the processor
  - Nonvolatile
- ❖ Mask-programmed ROM (MROM):
  - Programmed when being manufactured
- ❖ Programmable ROM (PROM):
  - Programmed by the end user
- ❖ Erasable programmable ROM (EPROM)
  - Electrically programmable many times
  - Erased by ultraviolet light
  - Erasable in bulk (whole chip in one erasure operation)

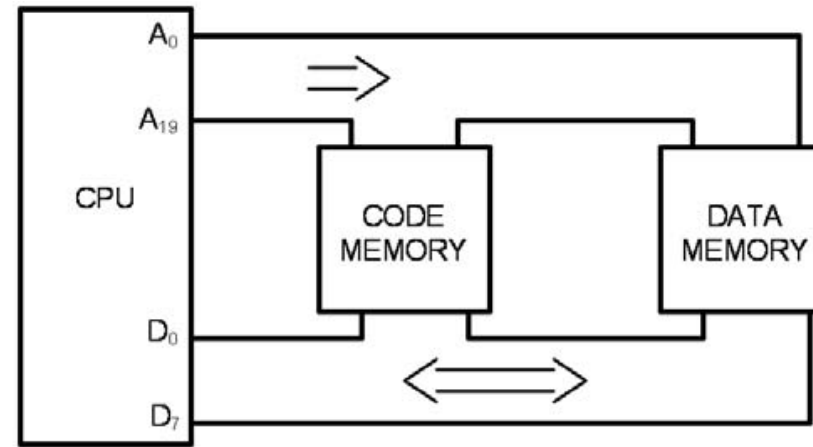
# ROM

- ❖ Electrically erasable programmable ROM (EEPROM)
  - Electrically programmable many times
  - Electrically erasable many times
  - Erased one location, one row, or whole chip in one operation
  - Erased without removing unit from device.
- ❖ Flash EEPROM
  - Electrically programmable many times
  - Electrically erasable many times
  - Erased in bulk/large blocks => faster than EEPROM

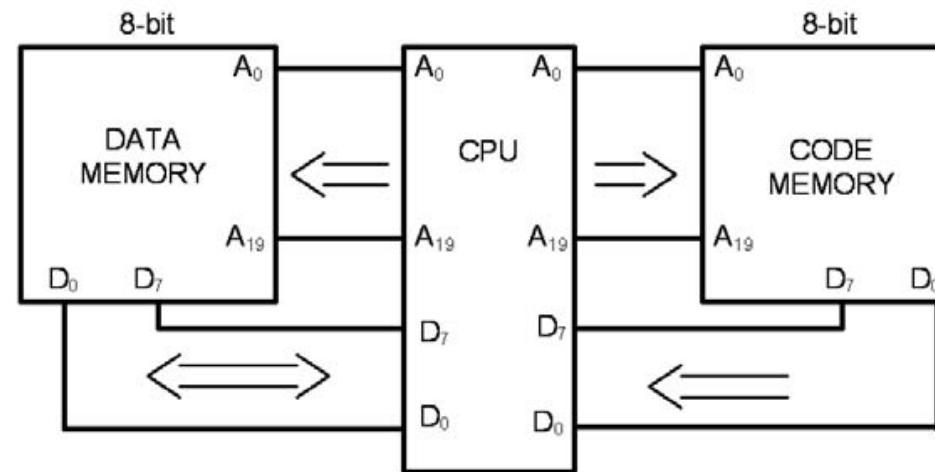
# Harvard vs Princeton Memory Architectures

- ❖ Von Neumann (Princeton) architecture
  - One memory, one bus
  - Code and Data accessed on the same bus
  - Memory “collisions”
- ❖ Harvard architecture
  - Separate memory for code and data memory
  - Separate busses
  - Expensive: Double memory pins for external memory
- ❖ AVR Solution:
  - Harvard internal memory
  - Von Neumann for external memory
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von Neumann Architecture



Harvard Architecture



# Memory Organization

- ❖ Memory is organized by addresses
  - Each address points to a memory location
  - $n$  bit address =  $2^n$  locations
- ❖ Memory is grouped (measured) into byte locations
- ❖ Program Memory:
  - Mega2560: 256KB Flash
  - Address in PC (17bits)
  - Each location is 2B
  - Starting location = 0x00000
- ❖ Data Memory:
  - Mega2560: 8KB internal SRAM, 0-64KB external SRAM
  - Each location is a 1B
  - Starting address = 0x0200 (internal), 0x2200 (external)



# Mega 2560

## Address (HEX)

0000 - 001F	32 Registers
0020 - 005F	64 I/O Registers
0060 - 01FF	416 External I/O Registers
0200	Internal SRAM (8192 × 8)
21FF	
2200	
	External SRAM (0 - 64K × 8)
FFFF	