Controlling RGB LED with PWM and Arduino Uno

Objective:

Mix red, green, and blue light to create different colors by adjusting the brightness of each LED using PWM (Pulse Width Modulation).

Components Required:

- Arduino Uno
- 1 Common Cathode RGB LED
- 3 Resistors (220 Ω –330 Ω , one for each color pin)
- Jumper wires & breadboard

Circuit Overview:

- An RGB LED has 4 pins:
 - Common Cathode (GND)
 - o **Red Anode** → PWM pin (e.g., D9) through resistor
 - o **Green Anode** → PWM pin (e.g., D10) through resistor
 - o **Blue Anode** → PWM pin (e.g., D11) through resistor

Working Principle:

- **PWM (Pulse Width Modulation)** allows the Arduino to simulate analog output by rapidly switching the digital pin on/off.
- By varying the duty cycle of each PWM pin, we can control the brightness of red, green, and blue LEDs.
- Mixing different brightness levels of RGB produces a wide range of colors (e.g., red + green = yellow).

Use Cases:

- Mood lighting
- Color mixing experiments
- Visual indicators and displays