

# Welcome!

## Firmware Training Week 3

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# Last Week!

- Git / GitHub
- Arduino Reference
- Debugging
- Interrupts

# This Week!

- Reading Datasheets
- Registers and Timers
- PWM
- Bitwise Operations
- Masking

# Dues

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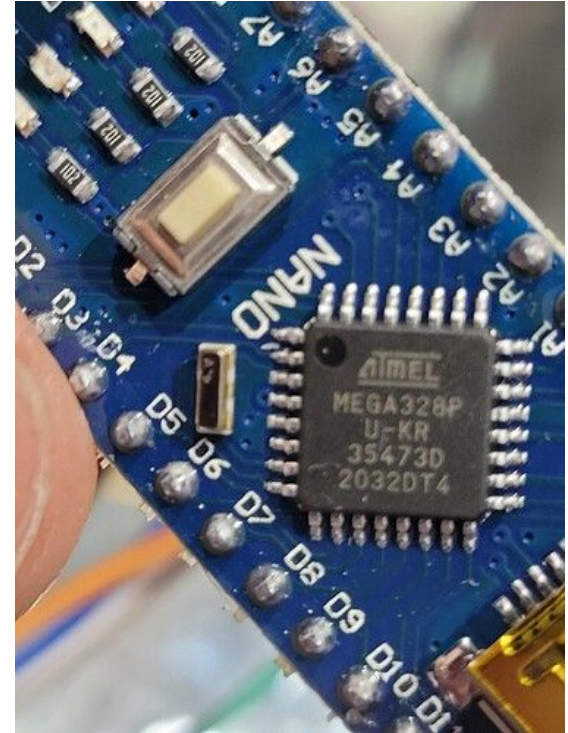
# Reading Datasheets

# ATMega328p

- ATMega328p: main MCU on Arduino Nano
  - 8-bit, AVR MCU
- In today's lab, we will be digging around in the datasheet!

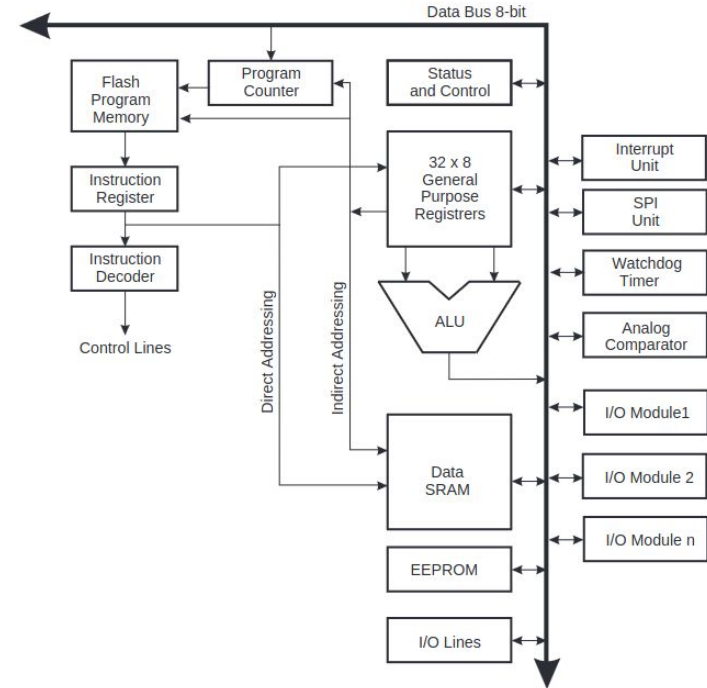
Datasheet for today's lab:

<https://www.sparkfun.com/datasheets/Components/SMD/ATMega328.pdf>



# About the datasheet

- What does “8-bit” mean?
  - See Figure 4-1

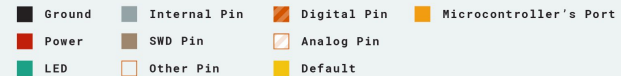
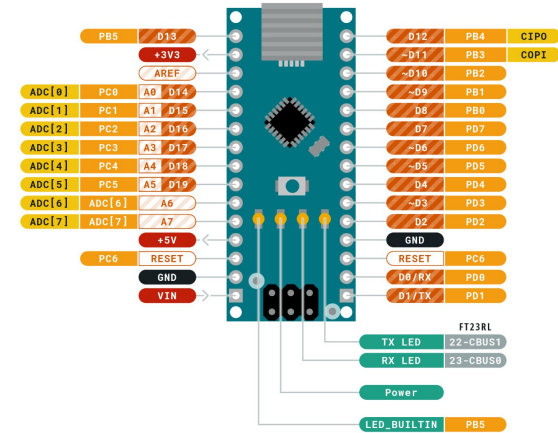


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  - A: size of MCU’s data bus
- **Look at Arduino Nano pinout.**  
**What does “Microcontroller Port” mean?**
  - See Section 11.2, 11.4



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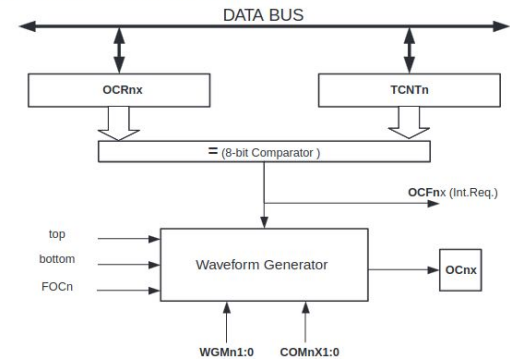
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- Look at Arduino Nano pinout. What does “Microcontroller Port” mean?
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- **What are the “Output Compare Registers”? What are they used for?**
  - See section 15.5, 15.11

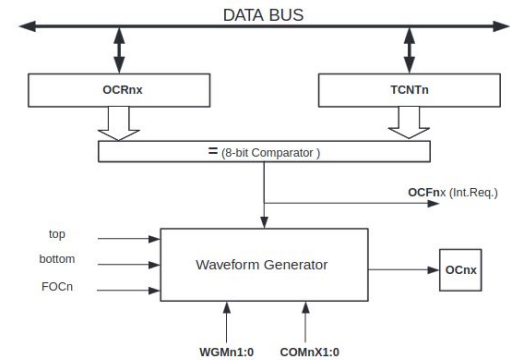
Figure 15-3. Output Compare Unit, Block Diagram

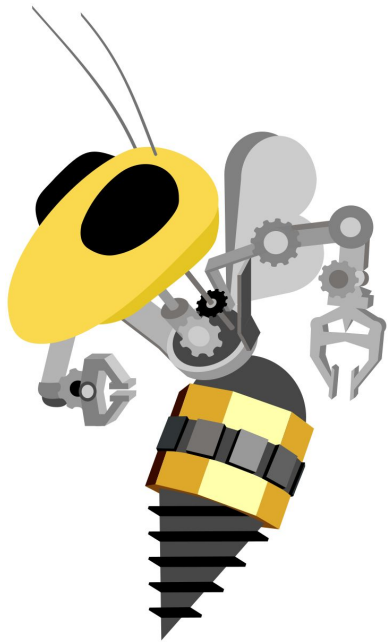


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  - A: OCR2A, OCR2B. Hardware timer. Can generate an interrupt when timer reaches threshold

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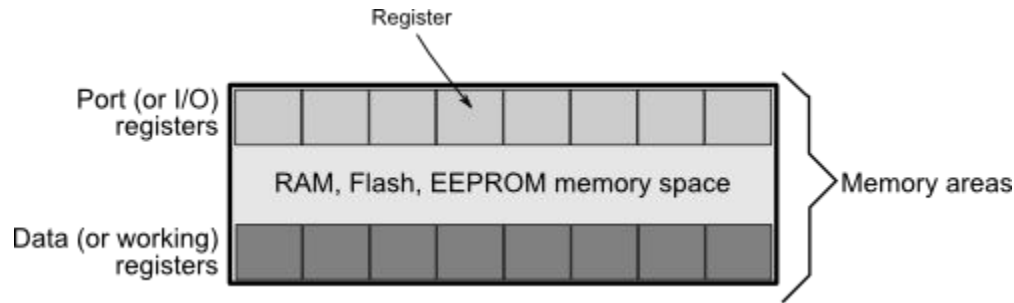




# Registers and Timers

# What is a register?

- Hardware used for storage - can read or write multiple bits
- Methods like Arduino's `digitalWrite` modify the value of a register that controls whether a pin is high or low



# Timers and Timer Registers

- Timers are a peripheral device used to count up to a certain value before resetting
- Timer registers can be used to trigger different actions at set intervals by checking the value of the timer register against a different register

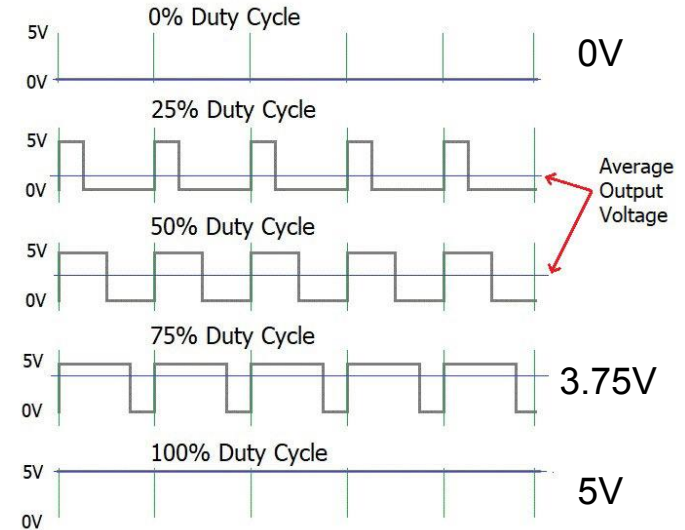


# PWM

Pulses go brrrrr

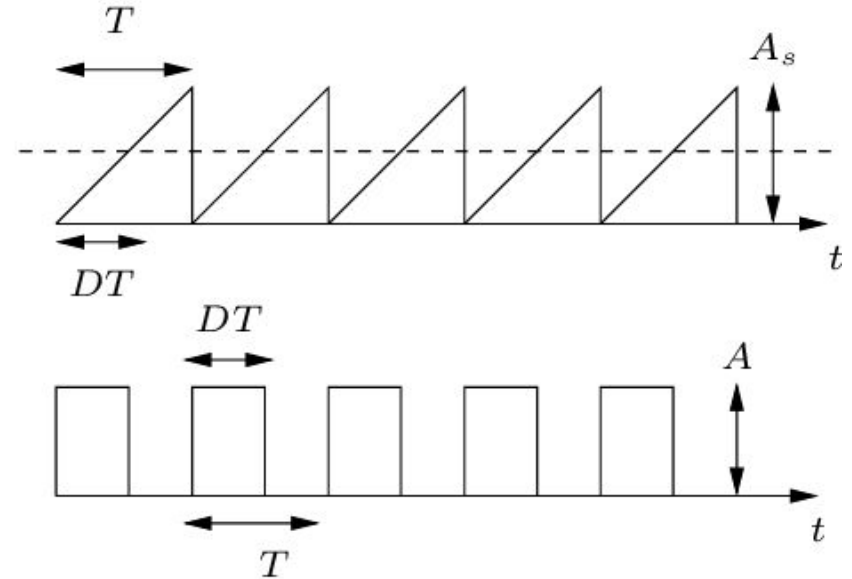
# What is PWM?

- Pulse-width modulation
- By alternating between a low and high voltage the effect of a middle voltage can be achieved
- We can get this voltage by varying the duty cycle (the effective voltage is the weighted average)

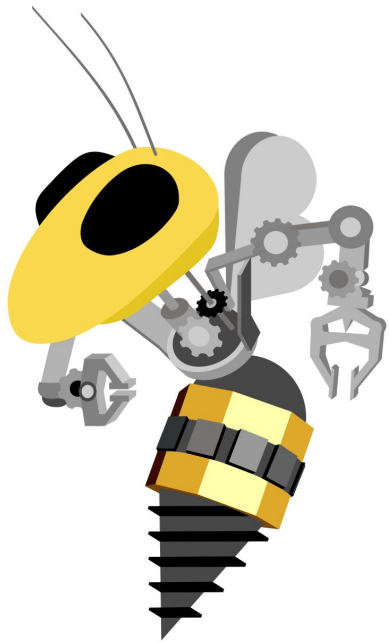


# Relation to Timers

- Switching frequency is controlled by a timer register
- The time voltage is high compared to the total time tells us the % duty cycle which directly relates to the output voltage







# Binary and Hexadecimal

52 6f 62 6f 4a 61 63 6b 65 74 73

# What are Binary and Hexadecimal?

- Binary and Hexadecimal are alternate number systems
- The number system that everyone is taught is called decimal and it is base 10
- Binary is base 2 : 0,1
- Hexadecimal is base 16 : 0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,A,B,C,D,E,F

decimal	hexadecimal	binary
0	0	0000
1	1	0001
2	2	0010
3	3	0011
4	4	0100
5	5	0101
6	6	0110
7	7	0111
8	8	1000
9	9	1001
10	A	1010
11	B	1011
12	C	1100
13	D	1101
14	E	1110
15	F	1111

# Example Conversion Binary-Decimal

Decimal to Binary: 158 to  
10011110

$$158 / 2 = 79 \quad | r = 0$$

$$79 / 2 = 39 \quad | r = 1$$

$$39 / 2 = 19 \quad | r = 1$$

$$19 / 2 = 9 \quad | r = 1$$

$$9 / 2 = 4 \quad | r = 1$$

$$4 / 2 = 2 \quad | r = 0$$

$$2 / 2 = 1 \quad | r = 0$$

$$1 / 2 = 0 \quad | r = 1$$



Binary to Decimal: 10011110 to  
158


$2^7$ 128	$2^6$ 64	$2^5$ 32	$2^4$ 16	$2^3$ 8	$2^2$ 4	$2^1$ 2	$2^0$ 1
1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0

$$128*1 + 16*1 + 8*1 + 4*1 + 2*1 = 158$$

# Example Conversion Hexa-Decimal

Decimal to Hexadecimal:

158 to 9E

$$\begin{array}{l} 158 / 16 = 9 \quad | \quad r = 14 \\ 9 / 16 = 0 \quad | \quad r = 9 \end{array}$$


14 is E in Hexadecimal so  
the result is 9E !

Hexadecimal to Decimal: 9E  
to 158

$16^1$ 16	$16^0$ 1
9	E

$$9 * 16 + 14 * 1 = 144 + 14 = 158$$

# Example Conversion Hexa-Binary

Hexa to Binary :  
9E to 10011110

9  
↓  
1001

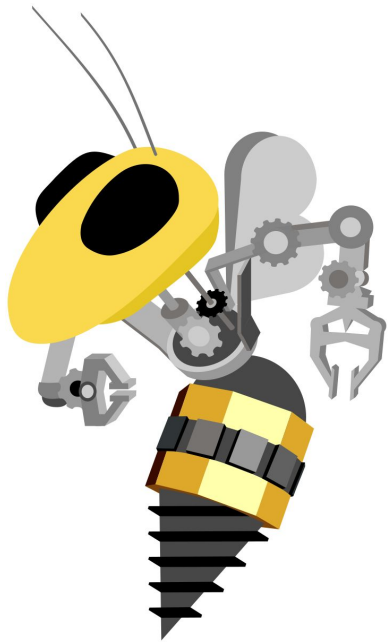
E  
↓  
1110

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2	2	0010
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6	6	0110
7	7	0111
8	8	1000
9	9	1001
10	A	1010
11	B	1011
12	C	1100
13	D	1101
14	E	1110
15	F	1111

Binary to Hexa :  
10011110 to 9E

1001  
↓  
9

1110  
↓  
E



# Bitwise Operations

Yes or no

# What are Bitwise Operations?

- Bitwise operators:

- AND  $\longrightarrow$  &

- OR  $\longrightarrow$  |

- NOT  $\longrightarrow$  !

- XOR  $\longrightarrow$  ^

- $(A \& !B) | (!A \& B)$

BIT A	BIT B	AND	OR	XOR
0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	1
1	1	1	1	0

Bitwise operations are Logical Operations but instead of comparing conditions, bits are compared

# How does it work?

Example: 01000011(67) ; 00101010(42)

	01000011		01000011		01000011
&	00101010		00101010	^	00101010
	<u>00000010</u>		<u>00101010</u>		<u>00101010</u>
			01101011		01101001

Bin: 0b01010101

Hex: 0xAF03

dEc: 10



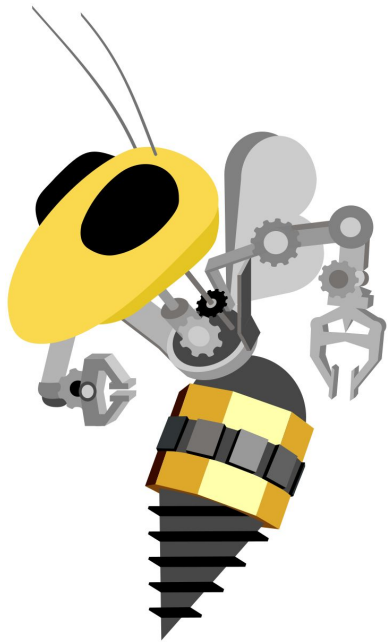
# Logical Shift

Left Shift	Right Shift
<<	>>

- Left Shift
  - A single left shift multiplies a number by 2:
    - (2)  $0010 \ll 1 \rightarrow 0100$  (4)
- Right Shift
  - A single right shift divides a number by 2 (discards the remainder)
    - (5)  $0101 \gg 1 \rightarrow 0010$  (2)

# Why are they useful?

- Very efficient
- Small memory usage
- They are used in embedded devices, socket programming (network), cryptography etc...



# Masking

Mask on (or off)

# What is it?

- Using bitwise operations to access/set particular bits
- Read a value from a binary number
  - Masking with 0 to ignore subset of bits
  - Use a bitwise AND (&)
- Write certain bits of a binary number
  - Masking bits to 1 to change subset of bits
  - Use a bitwise OR (|)

# How to mask?

Masking with &:

- Any number & 0 leaves a 0
- Any number & 1 leaves that number

Ex:

```
1001010
&0101001
0001000
```

Masking with |:

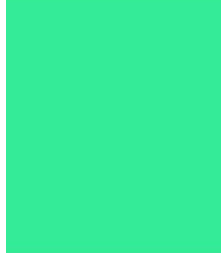
- Any number | 0 leaves that number
- Any number | 1 leaves a 1

Ex:

```
1001010
| 0101001
1101011
```

# Example

You have a color : #34EB98 (hexadecimal),  
1101001110101110011000 (binary)



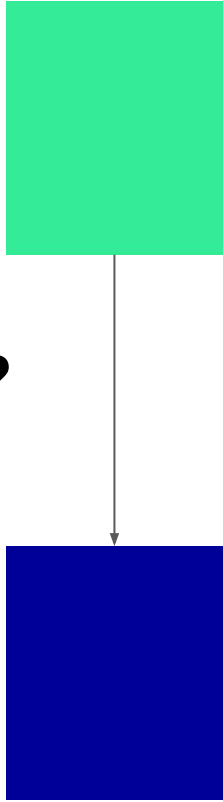
**How do you get only the amount of blue of this color ?**

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Mask (&) :           0011 0100 1110 1011 1001 1000  
                  &   0000 0000 0000 0000 1111 1111  
                  => 0000 0000 0000 0000 1001 1000

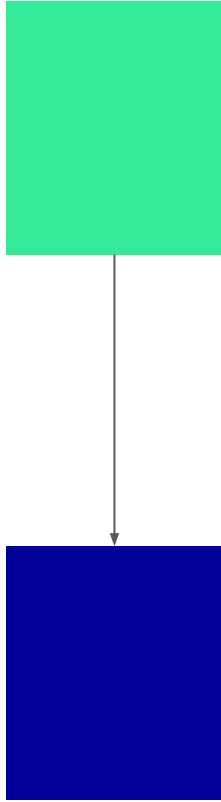


# Example

You have a color : #34EB98 (hexadecimal),  
001101001110101110011000 (binary)

**How about the amount of green ?**

Mask (&):           0011 0100 1110 1011 1001 1000  
                    & 0000 0000 1111 1111 0000 0000  
                    => 0000 0000 1110 1011 0000 0000  
Shift right (>>8): 0000 0000 0000 0000 1110 1011

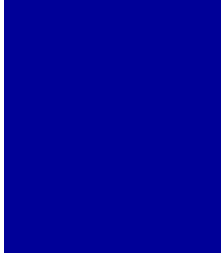




# Example

Now we have :      #000098 (hexadecimal),  
000000000000000010011000 (binary)

**How do you add red to this color ?**

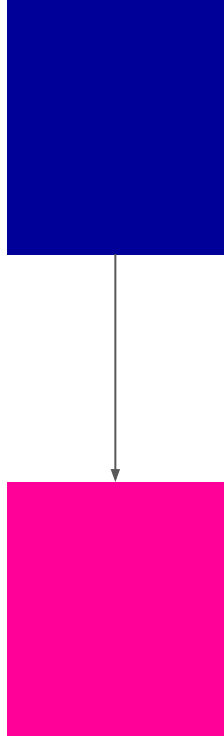


# Example

Now we have :      #000098 (hexadecimal),  
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**How do you add red to this color ?**

Mask (I) :      0000 0000 0000 0000 1001 1000  
                 | 1111 1111 0000 0000 0000 0000  
=>      1111 1111 0000 0000 1001 1000



# Example

Now we have :      #000098 (hexadecimal),

00000000 00000000 10011000 (binary)

**How do you add a specific amount of red ? (E.g. 129)**

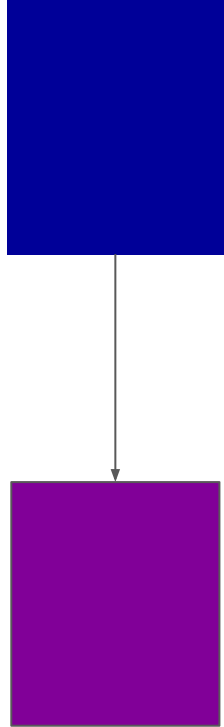
Shift, then mask!

Get value (129):      0000 0000 0000 0000 1000 0001

Shift right (<<16):    1001 0001 0000 0000 0000 0000

Mask (I) :            0000 0000 0000 0000 1001 1000

                 |    1000 0001 0000 0000 0000 0000  
=>            1000 0001 0000 0000 1001 1000





# Lab Time

# Lab Info

- Read about ATmega microcontroller
- Read about the timer registers
  - Setup fast PWM mode using the register
- Write interrupt handler for button
- Display brightness using LED