



The IoT hacker's
swiss army knife

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Arduinos



/usr/bin/whoami

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Why this talk?

- This is an intro to embedded electronic development
- IoT devices are proliferating
- IoT devices typically have weak security
- IoT hacking can be done on the cheap
- First step - become familiar with the Arduino
- Fun, not FUD

Thanks to Mark C. AKA @LargeCardinal for the inspiration

What the heck is an Arduino?

- Based on a 2003 thesis project: *Wiring*

- Problem:*

“... Current prototyping tools for electronics and programming are mostly targeted to engineering, robotics and technical audiences. They are hard to learn, and the programming languages are far from useful in contexts outside a specific technology ...”

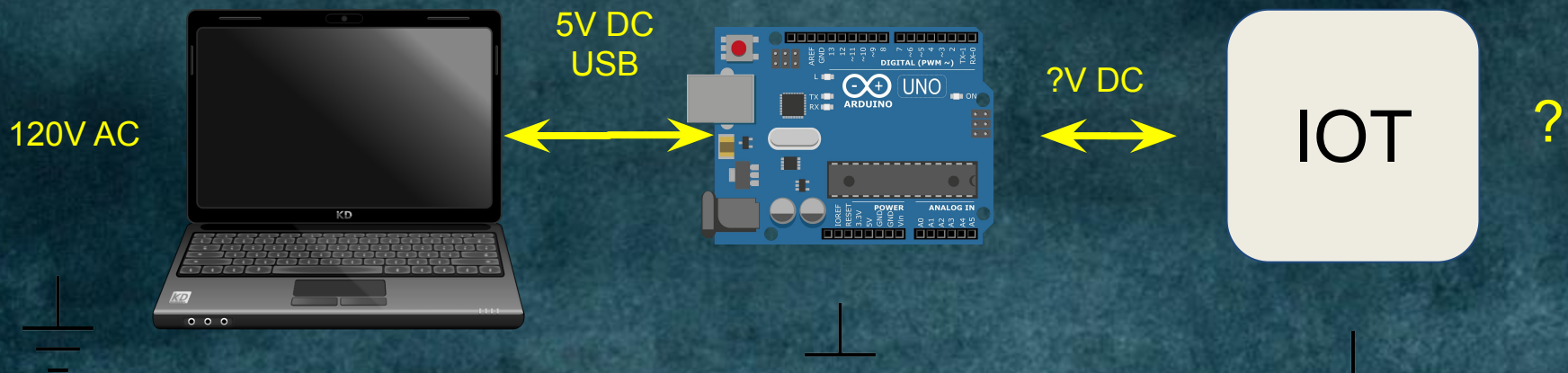
Goal of the Wiring/Arduino project

- “The objective [] was to make it easy for **artists and designers** to work with electronics, by abstracting away the often complicated details of electronics so they can focus on their own objectives.” - Hernando Barragán

Arduino Objectives

- Open Source hardware - i.e. legal clones
- Low cost (\$7-\$100)
- Flexible
- Easy to use
- Easy to be creative

Connecting data and power



More Power, Igor!





Some precautions

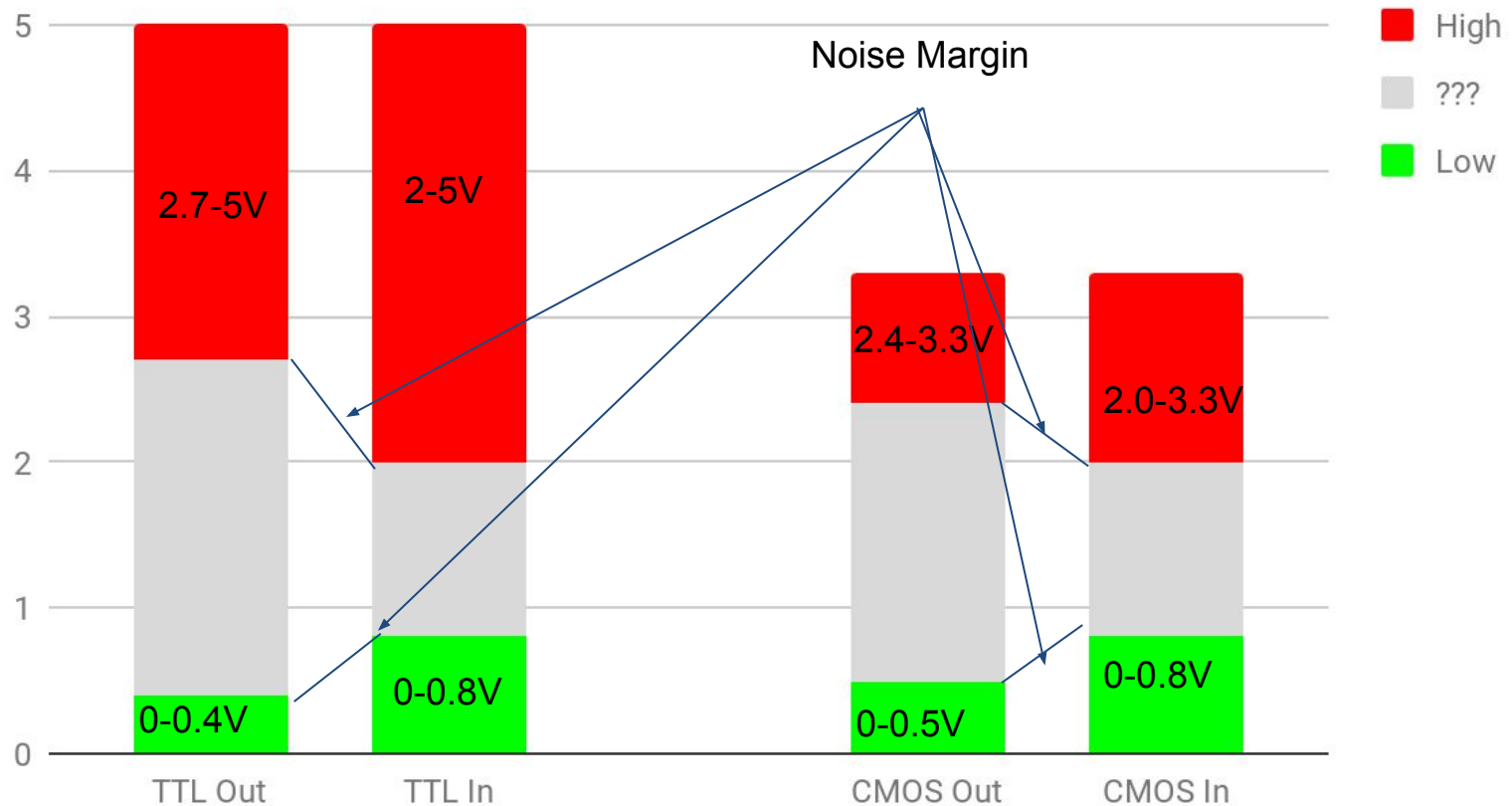
Logic Hardware types

- TTL - Transistor-Transistor Logic
 - 5 Volt
- CMOS - Complementary metal–oxide–semiconductor
 - 3.3 Volt
 - Lower current => batteries last longer
 - Less Heat
 - Smaller, faster

5V vs 3.3V - why is this important?

Digital Voltage Levels

TTL (5V) vs CMOS (3.3V) - Acceptable Digital Voltages



Lesson

Input voltages between valid ranges are indeterminate

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There exists 3.3V and 5V devices and Arduinos

- 5V devices are more robust
- 3.3V is a safe assumption
 - It may not work, but it's safe
- 5V => 3.3V Fails - maybe permanently



Grounding inputs



- Connecting to ground is a cheap way to generate a digital “low”
- What happens when it’s not connected to ground?
 - It may “float”
 - Therefore input lines often have a 5K-10K resistor connected to Vcc
 - AKA ... a pull-up resistor
- Arduinos often have a programmable pull-up

Inputs w/o pullups => $\neg_(\text{ツ})_/\neg$

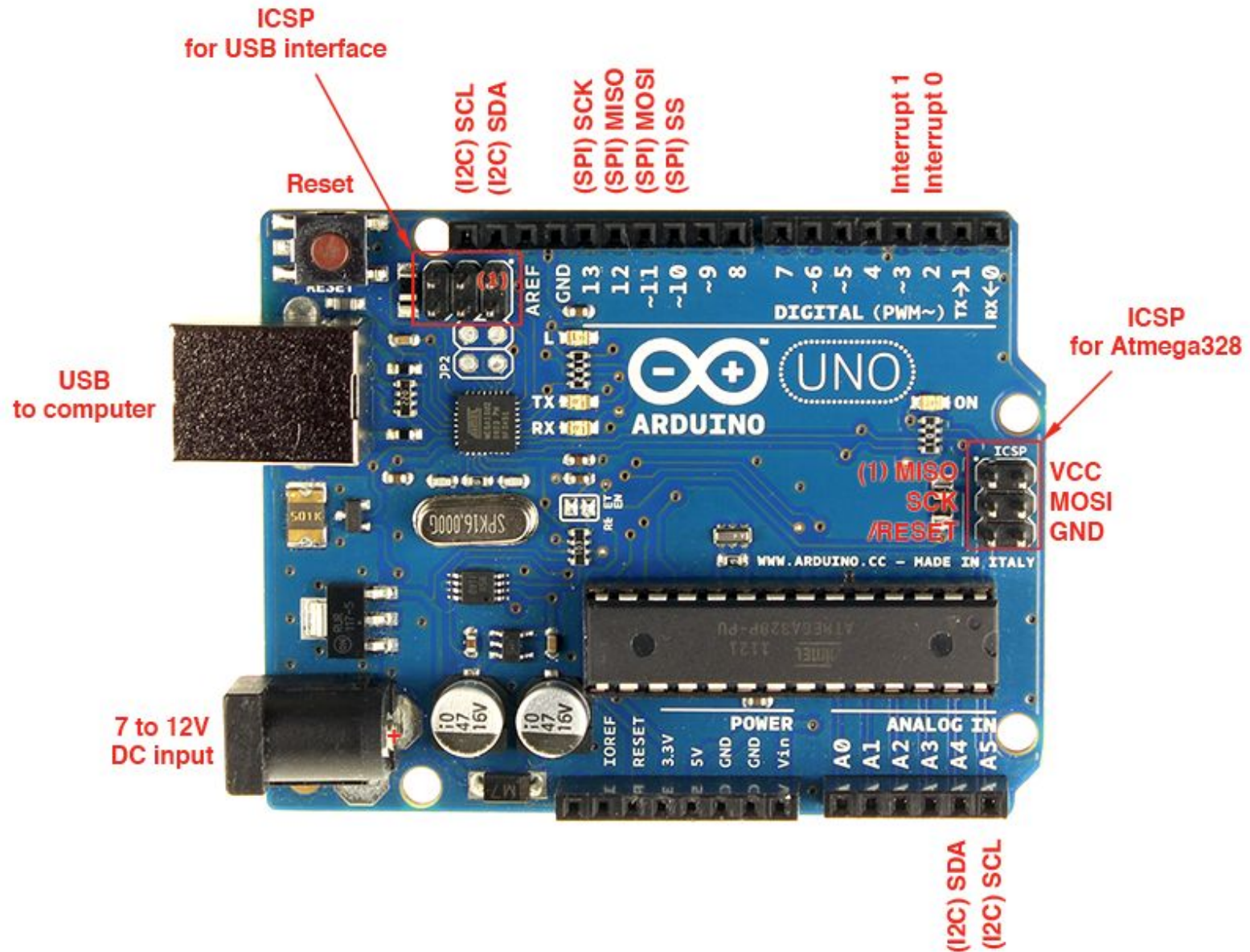
Grounding Truths



- Separate devices have separate grounds
- 2-prong AC adaptor, powering an Arduino, does not have a ground
- Reverse + and - when connecting can fry electronics
 - USB cable conducts ground into your laptop

Connect ground points first &
Use a Multimeter

Arduino Uno



Digital I/O Pins

Digital Pins can be set to modes:

INPUT # normally low

INPUT_PULLUP # normally high

OUTPUT

Digital Output Values:

High

Low



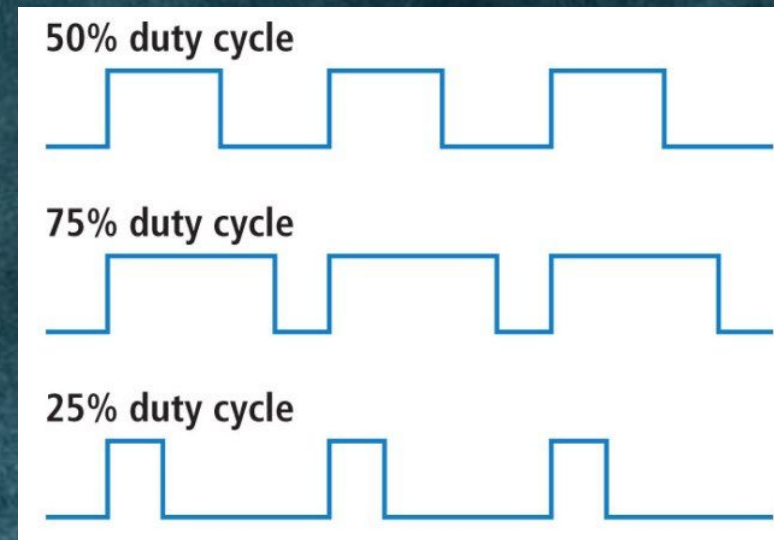
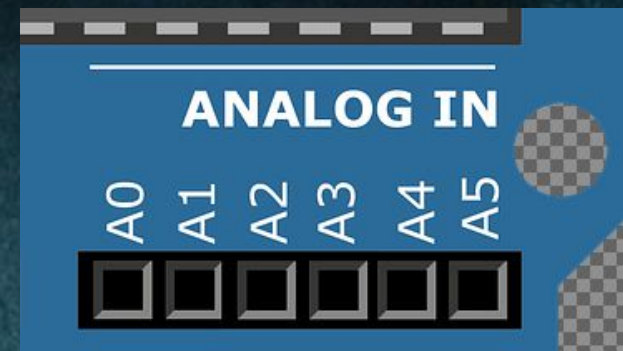
Analog I/O Pins

Analog Input:

- Analog/Digital convertor (ADC)
- Values from 0 to 255

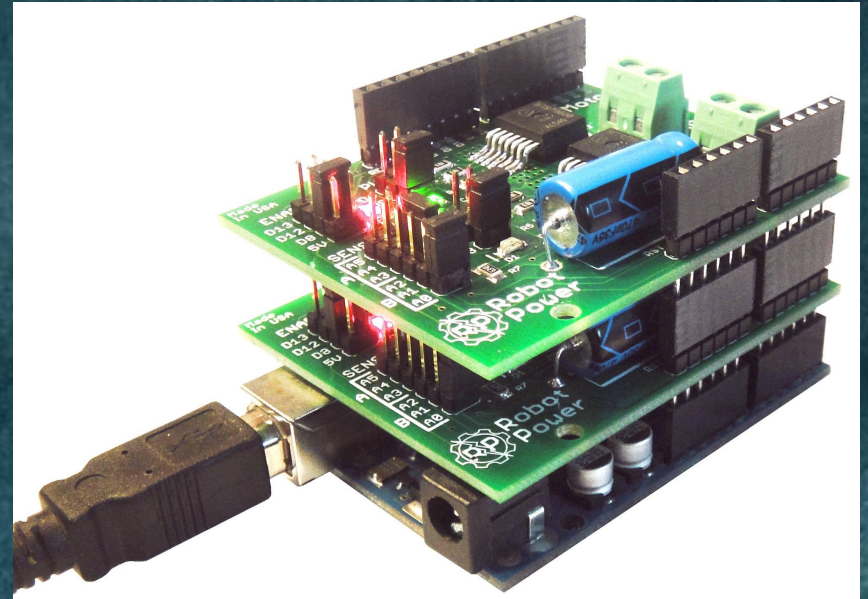
“Analog” Output:

- Look for pins with ~ after number
- Pulse Width Modulation

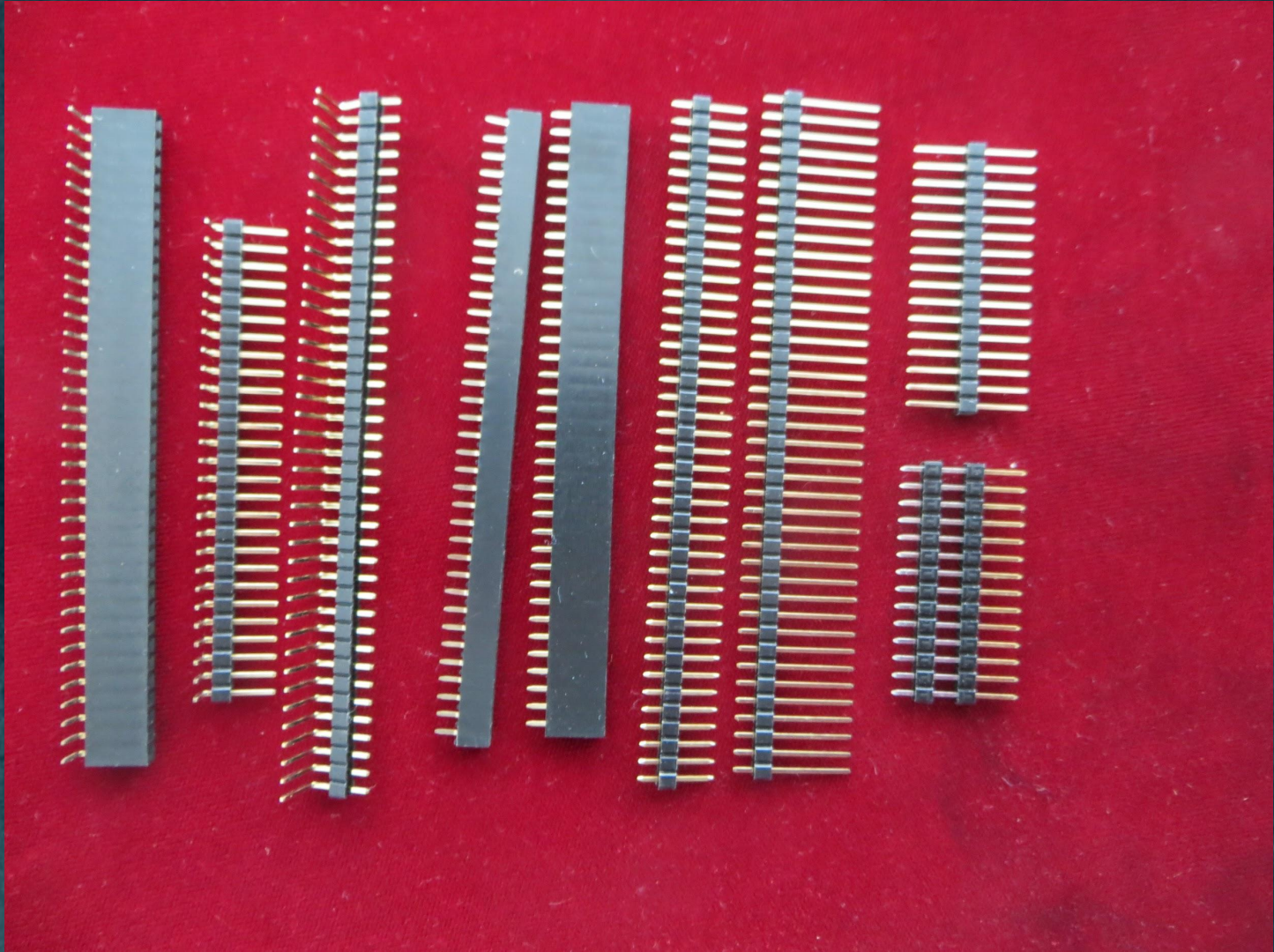


Stackable Arduino Shields

- Ethernet
- Sound
- Motors
- Prototypes
- NFC
- Data Logging
- GPS
- Touch Screens



Headers!



Arduino Software

- Read a digital input (button)

```
int pushButton = 2;

void setup() {
  Serial.begin(9600);
  pinMode(pushButton, INPUT);
}

void loop() {
  int buttonState = digitalRead(pushButton);
  Serial.println(buttonState); // print to debug console via USB cable
  delay(100); // delay 1/10th second in between reads for stability
}
```

Installing and Using Arduino IDE

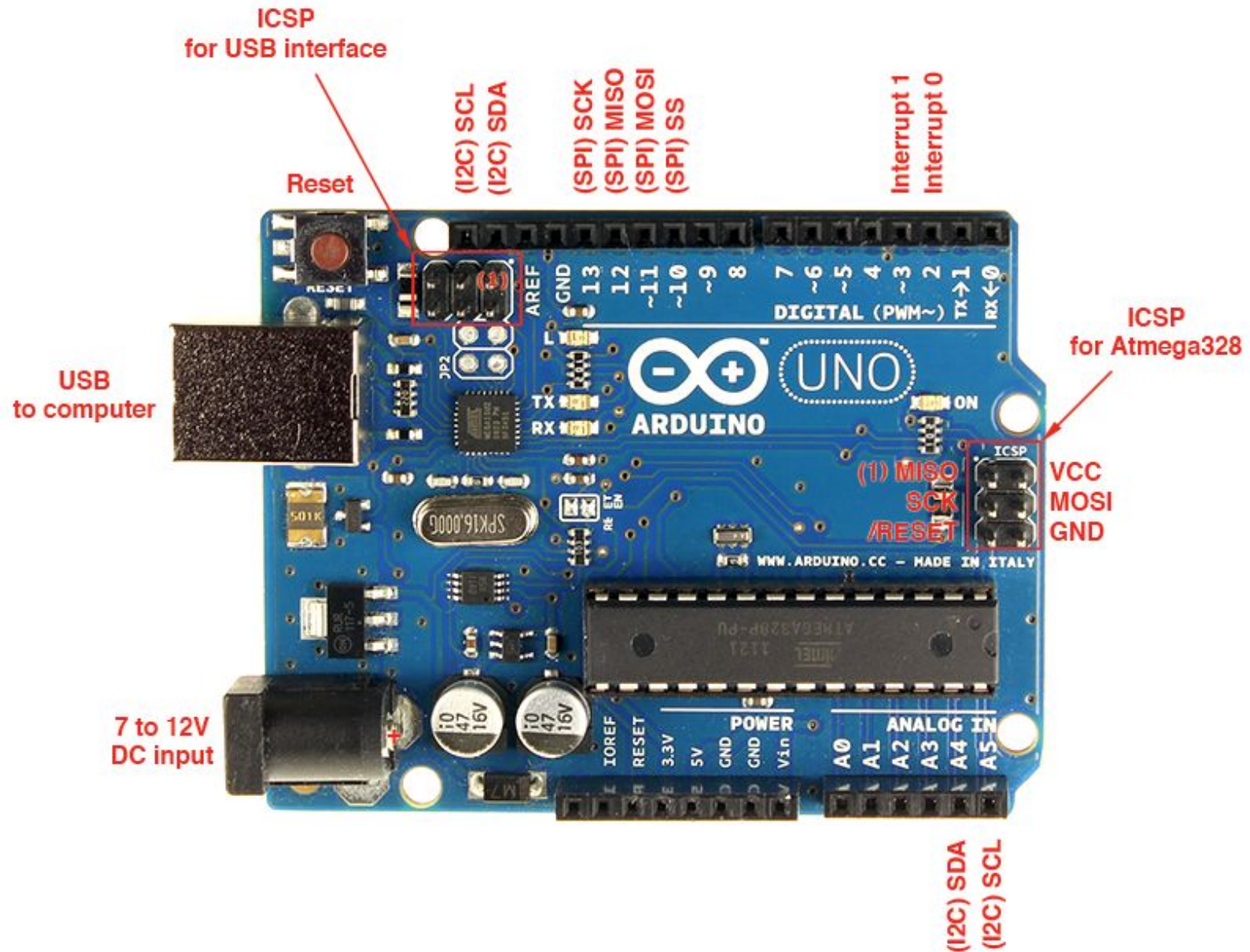
- Download and unpack file
- Execute arduino
- Once running:
 - Select com port
 - Select board type
 - Open “sketch”
 - Edit
 - Verify, upload and run
 - Optionally open debug console

Arduino Demo

Libraries and specialized pins

- Serial/UART
 - Shells, Root consoles
- I²C - Inter-integrated Circuit
 - Displays, Radios
- SPI - Serial Peripheral Interface
 - Flash Memory, High Speed peripherals, etc
- ICSP - in-circuit serial programming
 - Reprogramming Bootloader
 - Arduino-Arduino control
- JTAG - Joint Test Action Group

Arduino Uno



Serial passthrough

Examples=>04 Communication => SerialPassthrough
Using 2 Hardware Serial ports...

```
void setup() {  
  Serial.begin(9600);  
  Serial1.begin(9600);  
}  
  
void loop() {  
  if (Serial.available()) {      // If anything comes in Serial (USB),  
    Serial1.write(Serial.read()); // read it and send it out Serial1 (pins 0 & 1)  
  }  
  
  if (Serial1.available()) {     // If anything comes in Serial1 (pins 0 & 1)  
    Serial.write(Serial1.read()); // read it and send it out Serial (USB)  
  }  
}
```


Serial I/O on any pin

<https://www.arduino.cc/en/Tutorial/SoftwareSerialExample>
Using Software Serial

```
#include <SoftwareSerial.h>
SoftwareSerial mySerial(10, 11); // RX, TX
void setup() {
  // Open serial communications and wait for port to open:
  Serial.begin(57600);
  while (!Serial) {
    ; // wait for serial port to connect. Needed for native USB port only
  }
  Serial.println("Goodnight moon!");
  mySerial.begin(4800);
  mySerial.println("Hello, world?");
}
void loop() { // run over and over
  if (mySerial.available()) {
    Serial.write(mySerial.read());
  }
  if (Serial.available()) {
    mySerial.write(Serial.read());
  }
}
```

Hardware Serial Ports

Arduino	Uno	Mega	Leonardo	DUE	Teensy 3.x
Number of UARTS	1	4	2	4	3

I can either choose an Arduino w/multiple hardware ports, or choose to use SoftwareSerial



Software Serial

Issues

- Consumes a lot of CPU
- Can't simultaneous TX/RX
- Lack of options
- Which pins will work for which devices?

Alternates

- AltSoftSerial <https://github.com/PaulStoffregen/AltSoftSerial>
 - Developed by Teensy Creator
- NeoSWSerial - <https://github.com/SlashDevin/NeoSWSerial>
 - Only supports 9600, 19200 or 38400 Baud

Get a UART Board

SPI Example - MiFare RFID tag

<https://playground.arduino.cc/Learning/MFRC522>

```
#include <SPI.h>
#include <MFRC522.h>

#define SS_PIN 10
#define RST_PIN 9
MFRC522 mfrc522(SS_PIN, RST_PIN); // Create MFRC522 instance.

void setup() {
  Serial.begin(9600); // Initialize serial communications with the PC
  SPI.begin();        // Init SPI bus
  mfrc522.PCD_Init(); // Init MFRC522 card
  Serial.println("Scan PICC to see UID and type...");
}

void loop() {
  // Look for new cards
  if ( ! mfrc522.PICC_IsNewCardPresent()) {
    return;
  }
  // Select one of the cards
  if ( ! mfrc522.PICC_ReadCardSerial()) {
    return;
  }
  // Dump debug info about the card. PICC_HaltA() is automatically called.
  mfrc522.PICC_DumpToSerial(&(mfrc522.uid));
}
```

SPI Example - SPI Flash read

<https://github.com/Marzogh/SPIFlash>

```
include<SPIFlash.h>
uint32_t strAddr;
#define BAUD_RATE 115200
#define RANDPIN A0
SPIFlash flash;
bool readSerialStr(String &inputStr);
void setup() {
    Serial.begin(BAUD_RATE);
    flash.begin();
    randomSeed(analogRead(RANDPIN));
    strAddr = random(0, flash.getCapacity());
    String inputString = "This is a test String";
    flash.writeStr(strAddr, inputString);
    Serial.print(F("Written string: "));
    Serial.println(inputString);
    Serial.print(F("To address: "));
    Serial.println(strAddr);
    String outputString = "";
    if (flash.readStr(strAddr, outputString)) {
        Serial.print(F("Read string: "));
        Serial.println(outputString);
        Serial.print(F("From address: "));
        Serial.println(strAddr);
    }
    while (!flash.eraseSector(strAddr));
}
```

```
void loop() {

}

//Reads a string from Serial
bool readSerialStr(String &inputStr) {
    if (!Serial)
        Serial.begin(115200);
    while (Serial.available()) {
        inputStr = Serial.readStringUntil('\n');
        Serial.println(inputStr);
        return true;
    }
    return false;
}
```


I2C Scanner

<https://playground.arduino.cc/Main/I2cScanner>

```
#include <Wire.h>
void setup() {
  Wire.begin();
  Serial.begin(9600);
  while (!Serial);
  Serial.println("\nI2C Scanner");
}
void loop() {
  byte error, address;
  int nDevices;
  Serial.println("Scanning...");
  nDevices = 0;
  for(address = 1; address < 127; address++ ) {
    Wire.beginTransmission(address);
    error = Wire.endTransmission();
    if (error == 0) {
      Serial.print("I2C device found at address 0x");
      if (address<16) Serial.print("0");
      Serial.print(address,HEX);
      Serial.println(" !");
      nDevices++;
    } else if (error==4) {
      Serial.print("Unknown error at address 0x");
      if (address<16) Serial.print("0");
      Serial.println(address,HEX);
    }
  }
  if (nDevices == 0)
    Serial.println("No I2C devices found\n");
  else
    Serial.println("done\n");
  delay(5000);          // wait 5 seconds for next scan
}
```

JTAG

- <https://github.com/cyphunk/JTAGenum> - Build your own JTAGulator
- <https://github.com/mrjimenez/JTAG>
 - XSVF File Upload - program CPLDs and FPGA
 - XSVF Assembler/Disassembler
 - TAP Debugger

Powering Arduinos

- Barrel Connector (e.g. Uno)
 - AC Adaptor
 - 9V Battery
- USB Cable
 - Computer
 - USB power Pack
- JST connector
 - Battery Pack
 - LiPo Rechargeable
- 18650 Battery

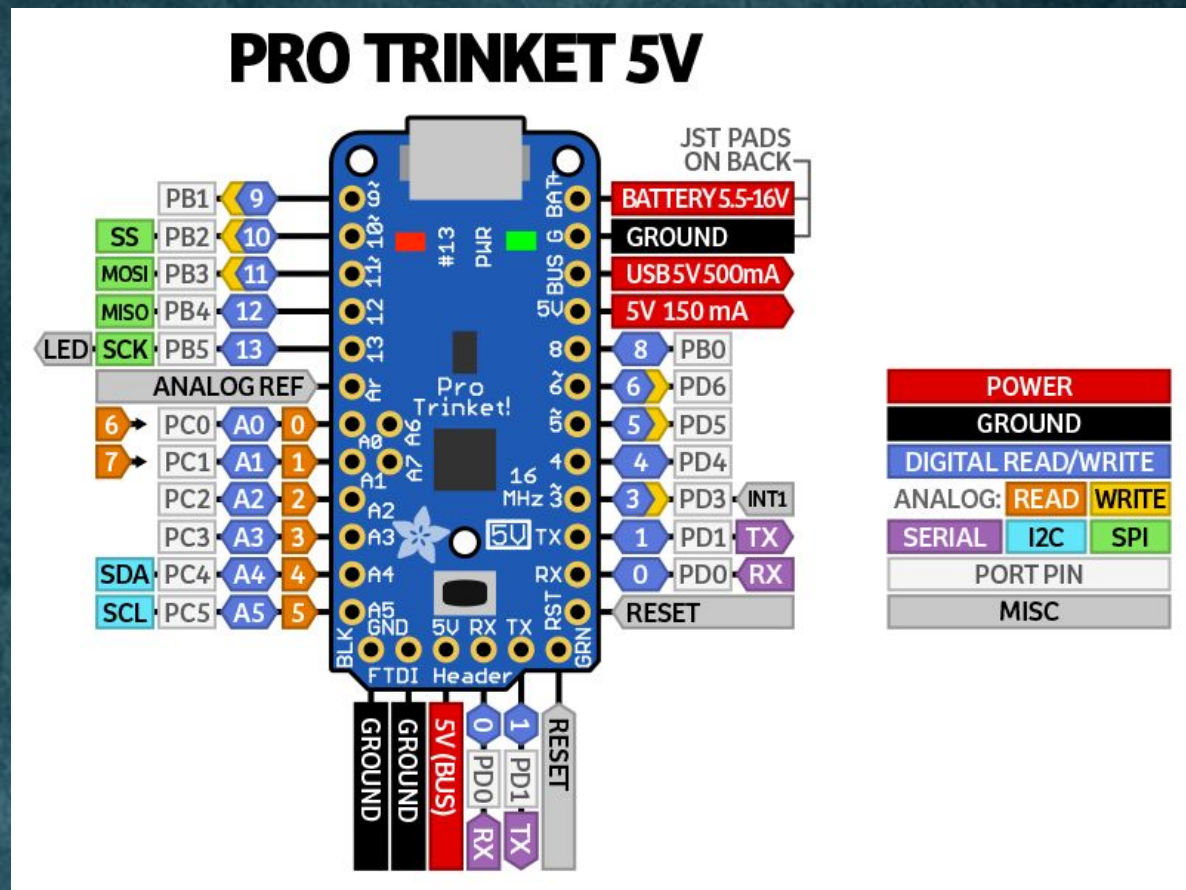
Arduino compatible boards

- Favorites

- Arduino Uno - \$25
- Adafruit Trinket, etc.
- Teensy
- ESP32-based
 - D-Duino-32
 - Adafruit HUZZAH32

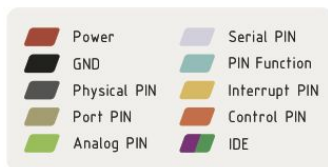
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
- \$7 - \$10
- 5V and 3.3V, Regular, Pro, M0




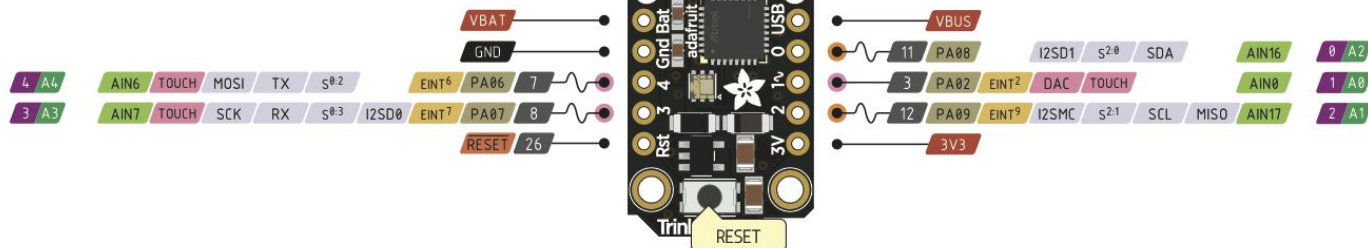
Trinket M0

PINOUT

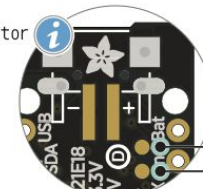


 PWM Pin

 Port power group



Optional JST battery connector



Back Side

DotStar LED

1	PA00	EINT ⁰	S ¹ 0	7	DI
2	PA01	EINT ¹	S ¹ 1	8	CI

Flash Access

31	PA30	EINT ¹⁰	S ¹ 2	19	SWCLK
32	PA31	EINT ¹¹	S ¹ 3	20	SWDIO




USB Connector
Micro Type B

 The total current of each port power group **should not exceed** 65mA

 **Absolute** MAX per pin 10mA, 7mA recommended

 **Absolute** MAX 130mA for the entire package

 GPIO pins rated for 3.3V **Never** connect them to 5V signals

VBUS Connected to 5V USB Port **Absolute** MAX 500mA

VBAT Positive voltage from the JST Batt jack

3V3 3V3 output from regulator **Absolute** MAX 500mA



<https://www.adafruit.com/product/3500>



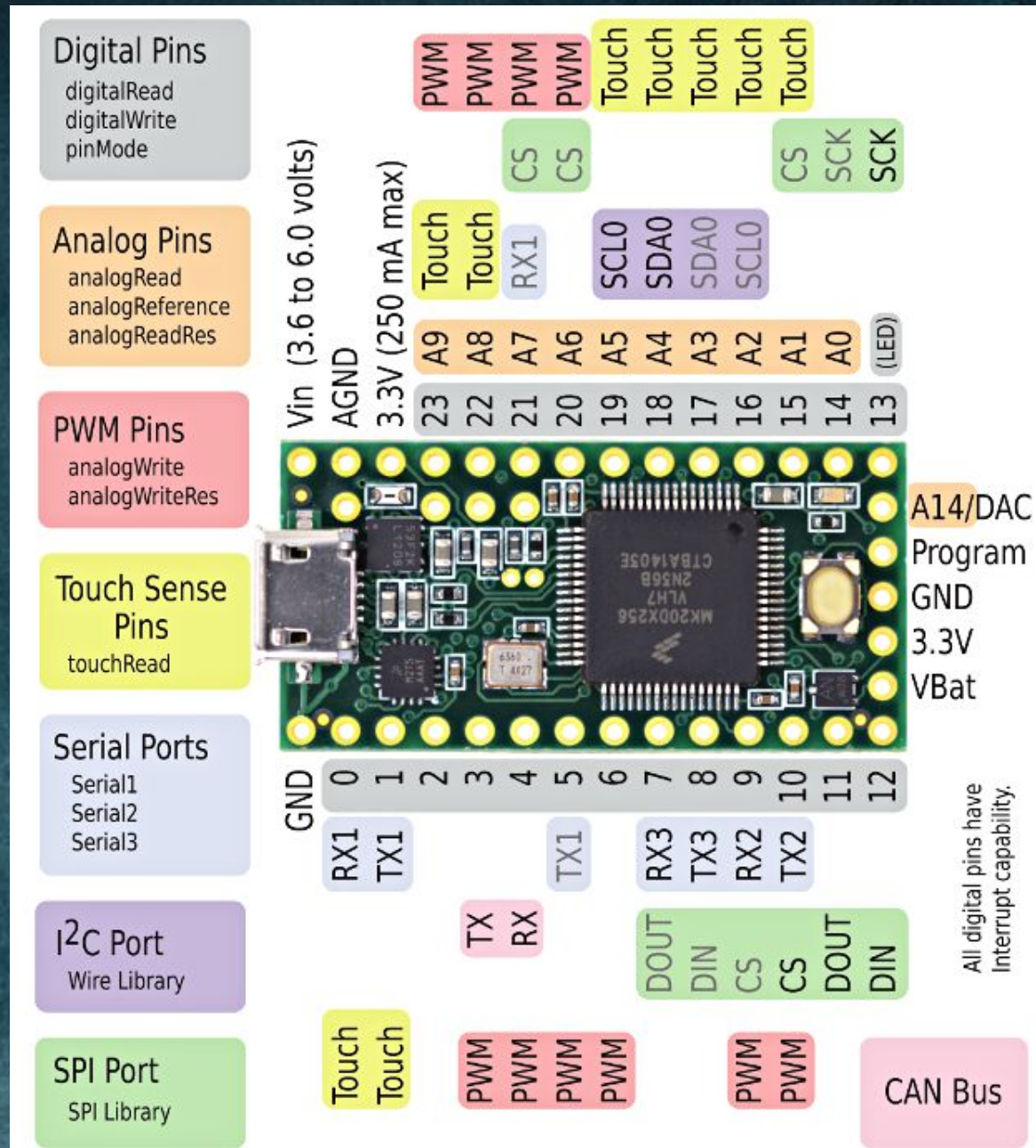
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Teensy

- Small
- HID library
- \$12-\$35

Teensy 3.2 (\$20)

<https://www.pjrc.com/>



Teensy Projects (or Rubber Ducky)

Google search “teensy pentesting”

- <http://www.irongeek.com/i.php?page=security/programmable-hid-usb-keystroke-dongle>
- <https://matterpreter.com/penteesy/>
- <https://github.com/samratashok/Kautilya>
- <https://github.com/Screetsec/Pateensy>

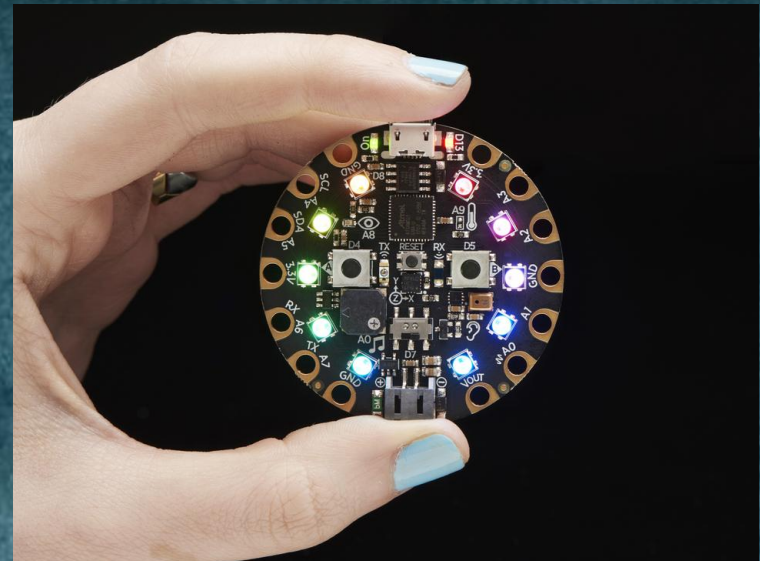
ESP32 boards

- WiFi+Bluetooth included
- Spacehuhn/Travis Lin
 - <https://www.tindie.com/stores/lspoplove/>
 - \$9-\$30
 - Preflashed w/WiFi Packet Monitor, Deauther
- Adafruit Feather/HUZZAH32 line
 - \$20+
 - 50+ “Wings” - complete line
 - 3*UART, 3*SPI, 2*I2C

And just for fun

Adafruit Playground Express - \$25

- 10 NeoPixels
- Motion, Temperature, Light, Sound sensors
- Speaker, switch, buttons
- IR transmit/receive (Comm, Prox sensor)
- Touch Sensors, I2C, UART
- IDE's:
 - Arduino
 - CircuitPython
 - MakeCode



Further Adventures

- Other approaches - RPi, BeagleBone
- Special debug hardware
- MicroPython/CircuitPython (i.e. Trinket M0)

```
import board
import digitalio
import time

led = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D13)
led.direction = digitalio.Direction.OUTPUT

while True:
    led.value = True
    time.sleep(0.5)
    led.value = False
    time.sleep(0.5)
```

My Favorite Vendors

- Adafruit @adafruit
 - Tuesday they tweet coupon codes
- Teensy/PRJC <https://www.pjrc.com>
- Seeed Studio - <https://www.seeedstudio.com/>
- SparkFun - <https://www.sparkfun.com/>
- Travis Lin (DSTIKE) @dongsentech
 - <https://www.tindie.com/stores/lspoplove/>
 - w/Stefan Kremser @spacehuhn
<https://github.com/spacehuhn>

Questions?