

# Embedded Systems with ARM Cortex-M3 Microcontrollers in Assembly Language and C

## Chapter 14 GPIO

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# General-Purpose Input and Output (GPIO)

- Each pin can be configured as digital input and digital output to interface external devices or on-chip peripherals

USER Pushbutton: PA0

GREEN LED: PB7

BLUE LED: PB6

Touch sensor:

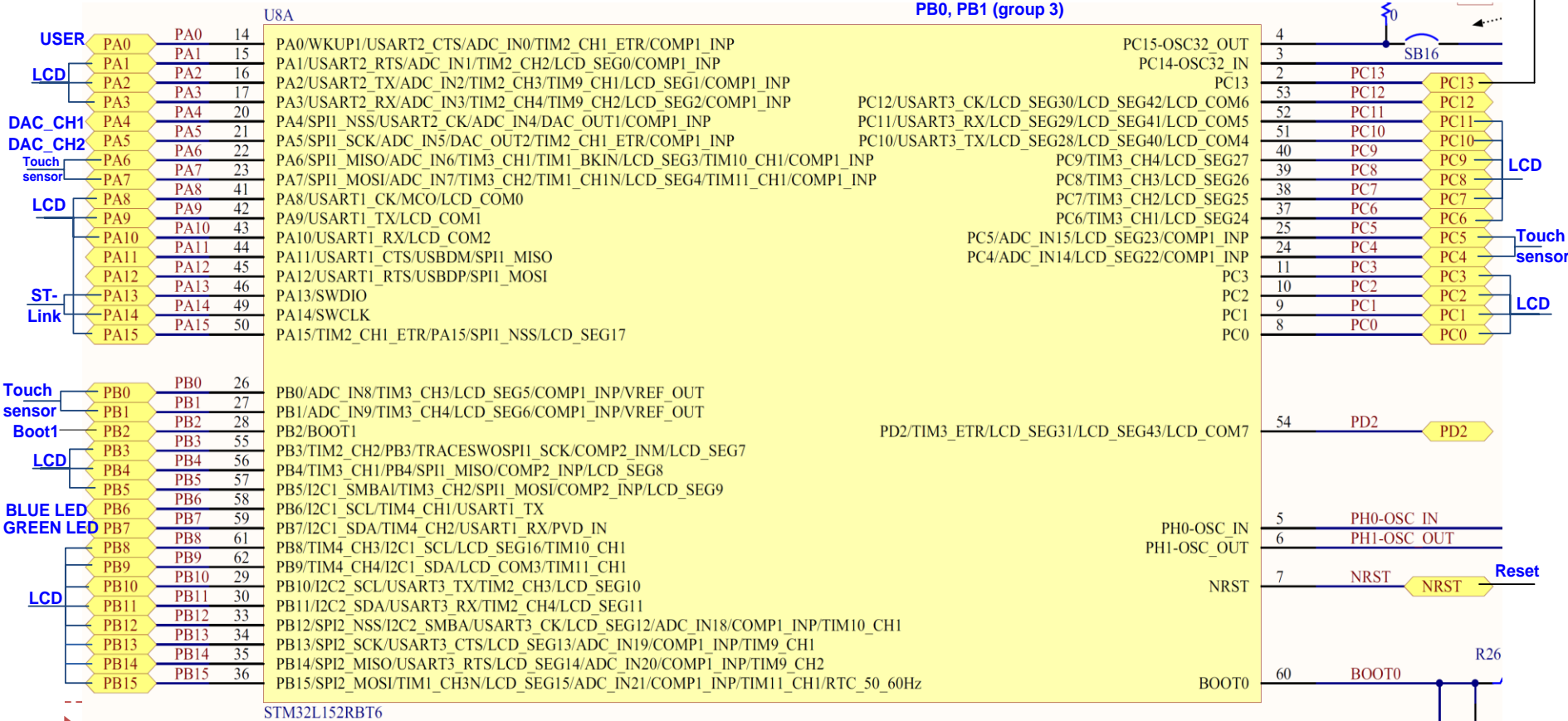
PA6, PA7 (group 2),

PC4, PC5 (group 9),

PB0, PB1 (group 3)

If JP1 is on, PC13 is used for DD\_CNT\_EN

All PINs for touch sensors are not extended.



Free I/O Pins: PA5, PA11, PA12, PC12, PD2

# General-Purpose Input and Output (GPIO)

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- ▶ This chapter focus on digital input and digital output
  - ▶ Interfacing with on-chip peripherals will be discussed later.
- ▶ Each GPIO port has
  - ▶ Four 32-bit control registers.
    - ▶ GPIO\_MODER (digital input, digital output, alternative function, analog input/output)
    - ▶ GPIO\_OTYPER (output type: push-pull or open-drain)
    - ▶ GPIO\_OSPEEDR(speed, i.e., slew rate)
    - ▶ GPIO\_PUPDR (pull-up/pull-down)
  - ▶ One 32-bit input data register (GPIO\_IDR) and one 32-bit output data register (GPIO\_ODR)
    - ▶ Each bit holds the input/output value of one GPIO pin
  - ▶ Two 32-bit alternative function selection registers (GPIO\_AFRH, GPIO\_AFRL)
- ▶ Clock to GPIO are turned off by default to save power
  - ▶ Software program needs to turn on the clock

# GPIO: Logic Voltage Level

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## ► Thresholds

Technology	Low voltage	High voltage	
CMOS	0 to $\frac{1}{3}V_{dd}$	$\frac{2}{3}V_{dd}$ to $V_{dd}$	$V_{dd}$ = supply voltage
TTL	0V to 0.8V	2V to $V_{cc}$	$V_{cc} = 5V \pm 10\%$

## ► Logic Level

### ► Active High

- Logic 1 = High voltage
- Logic 0 = Low voltage

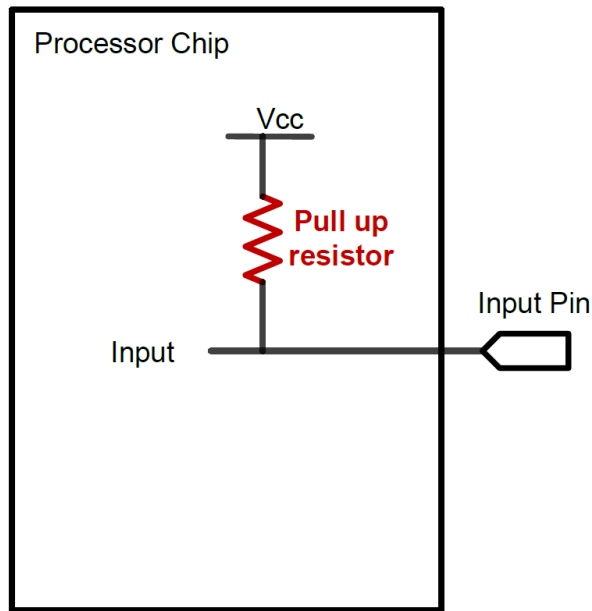
### ► Active Low

- Logic 1 = Low voltage
- Logic 0 = High voltage

# GPIO Input: Pull Up and Pull Down

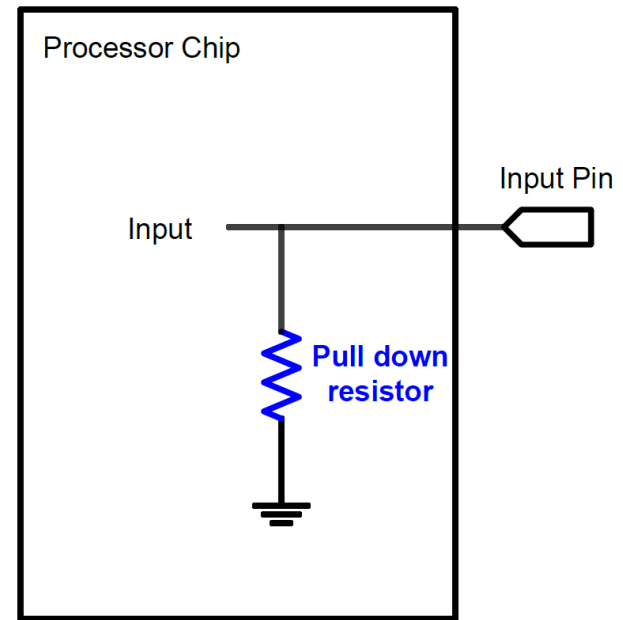
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- ▶ A digital input can have three states: High, Low, and High-Impedance (also called floating, tri-stated, HiZ)



Pull-Up

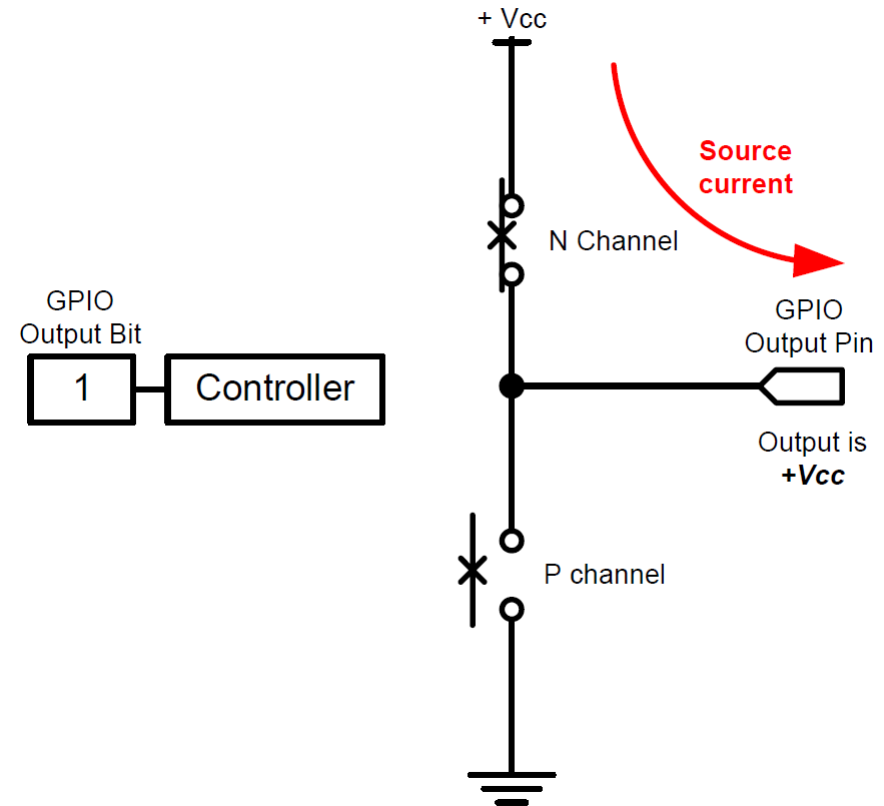
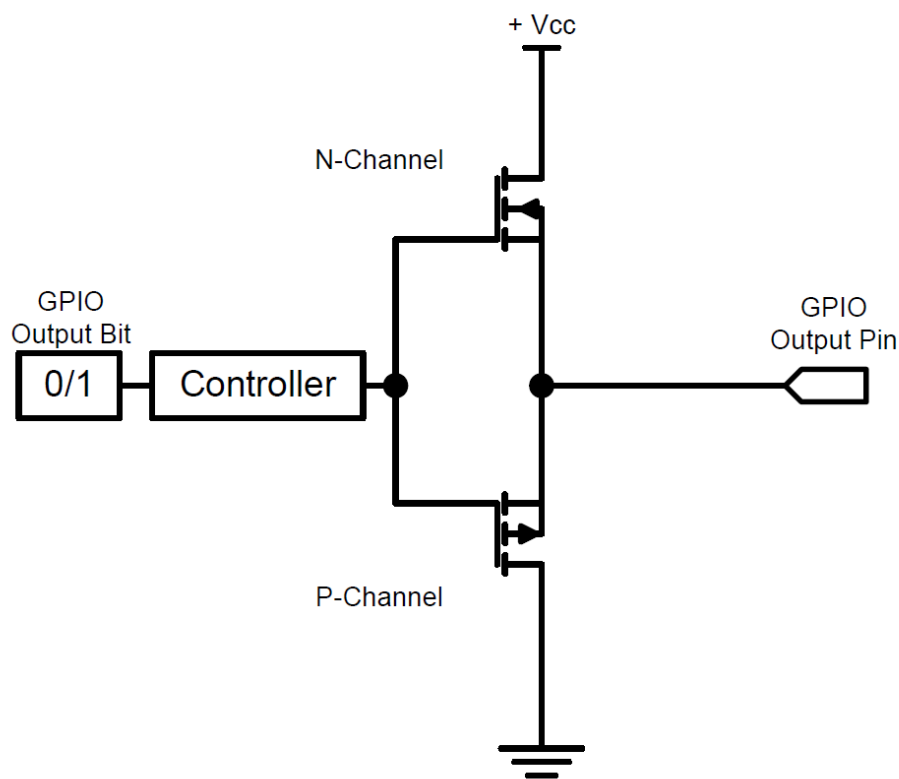
If external input is HiZ, the input is read as a valid HIGH.



Pull-Down

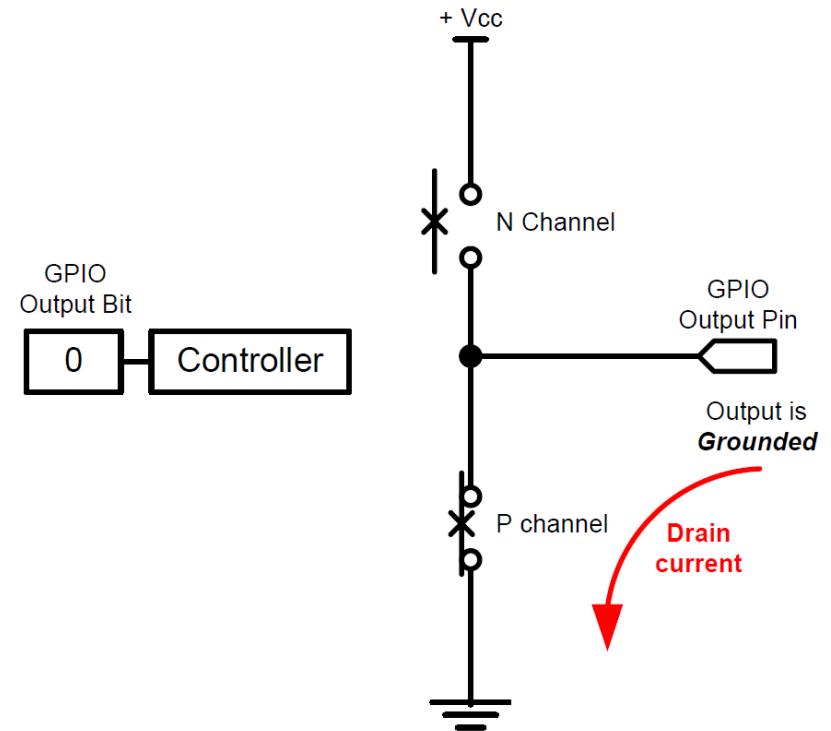
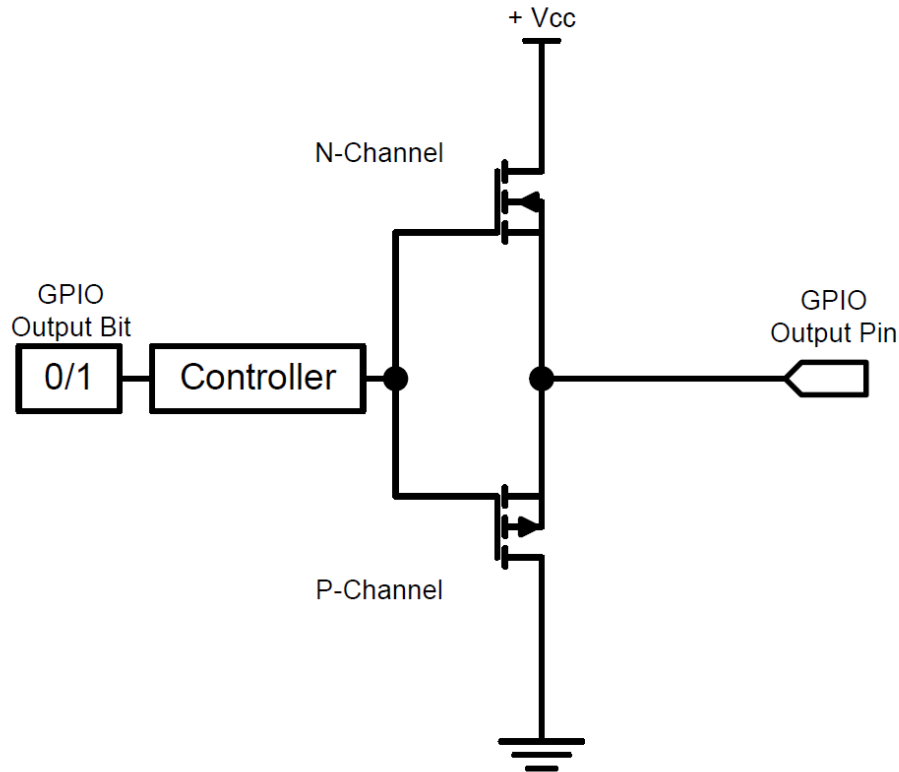
If external input is HiZ, the input is read as a valid LOW.

# GPIO Output: Push-Pull



**GPIO Output = 1**  
**Source current to external circuit**

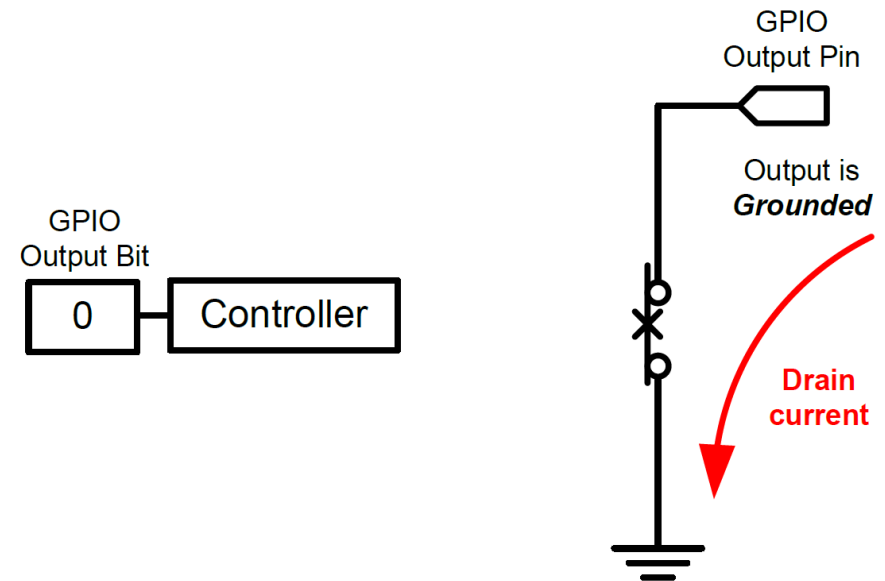
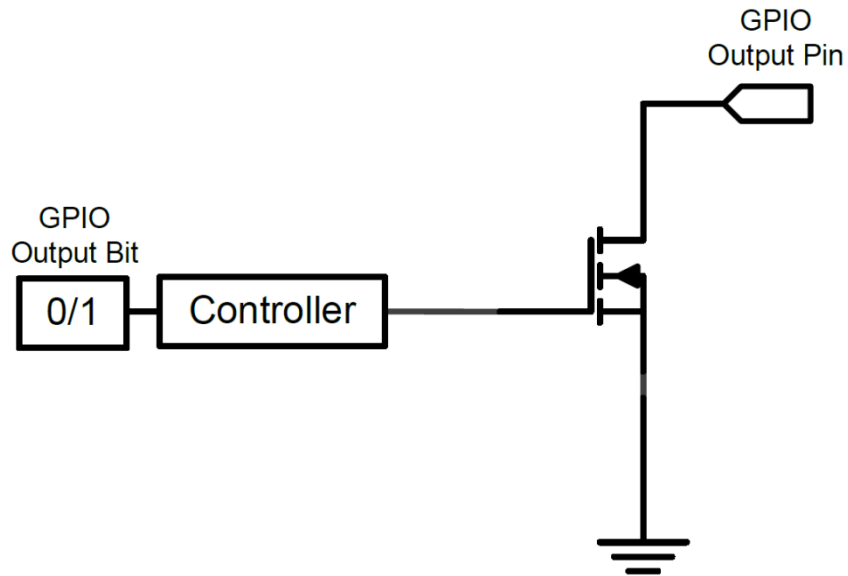
# GPIO Output: Push-Pull



**GPIO Output = 0**  
**Drain current from external circuit**

# GPIO Output: Open-Drain

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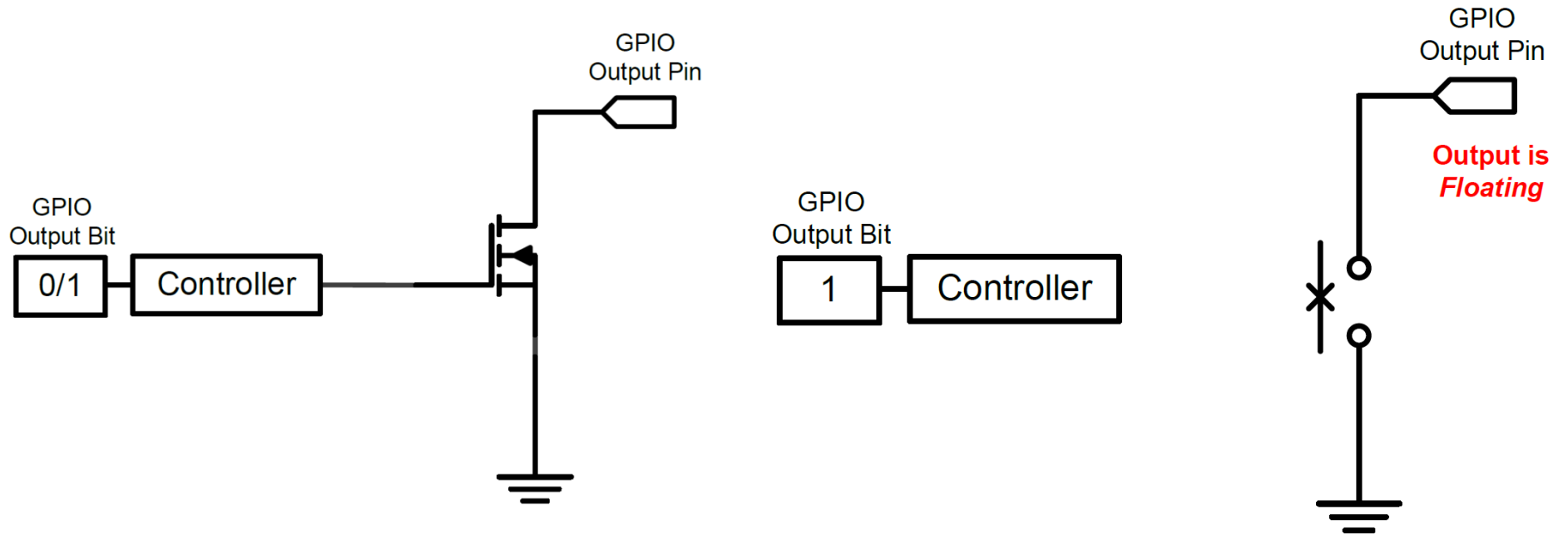


**GPIO Output = 0**  
**Drain current from external circuit**



# GPIO Output: Open-Drain

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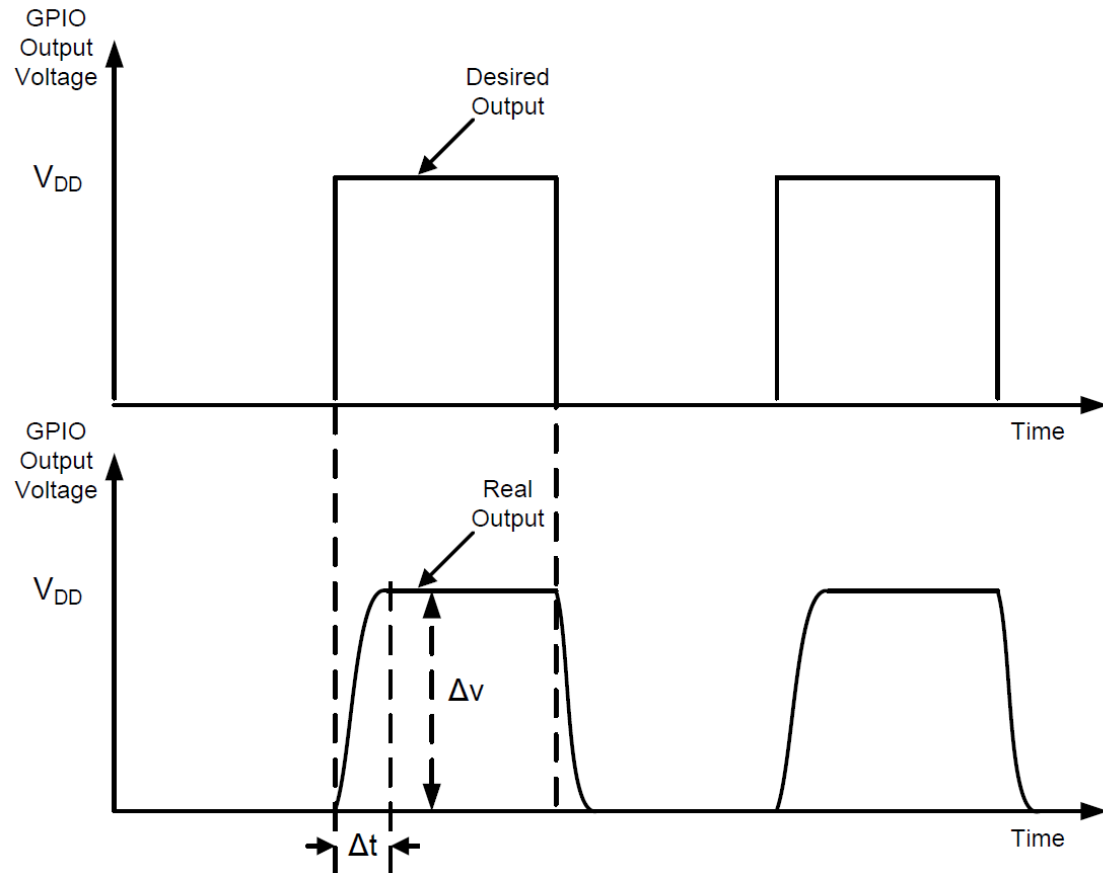
**Output = 1**  
**GPIO Pin has high-impedance to external circuit**

# Slew Rate

Slew Rate:  
Maximum rate of change of the  
output voltage

$$\text{Slew Rate} = \max \left( \frac{\Delta V}{\Delta t} \right)$$

A high slew rate allows the  
output to be toggled at a fast  
speed.



# GPIO Initialization

- ▶ Turn on the clock to the GPIO Port (e.g. Port B)

RCC->AHBENR |= RCC\_AHBENR\_GPIOBEN; Reset and Clock Control (RCC)

- ▶ Configure GPIO mode, output type, speed, pull-up/pull-down

```
typedef struct
{
    __IO uint32_t MODER;
    __IO uint16_t OTYPER;
    uint16_t RESERVED0;
    __IO uint32_t OSPEEDR;
    __IO uint32_t PUPDR;
    __IO uint16_t IDR;
    uint16_t RESERVED1;
    __IO uint16_t ODR;
    uint16_t RESERVED2;
    __IO uint16_t BSRR_L; /* BSRR register is split to 2 * 16-bit fields BSRR_L */
    __IO uint16_t BSRR_H; /* BSRR register is split to 2 * 16-bit fields BSRR_H */
    __IO uint32_t LCKR;
    __IO uint32_t AFR[2];
} GPIO_TypeDef;
#define PERIPH_BASE ((uint32_t)0x40000000)
#define AHBPERIPH_BASE (PERIPH_BASE + 0x20000)
#define GPIOB_BASE (AHBPERIPH_BASE + 0x0400)
#define GPIOB ((GPIO_TypeDef *) GPIOB_BASE)
```



# GPIO Digital Input/Output

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- ▶ Pin number starts with 0
- ▶ Set Pin 7 of Port B:
  - ▶ `GPIOB->ODR |= (1<<7);`
- ▶ Clear Pin 7 of Port B :
  - ▶ `GPIOB->ODR ^= (1<<7);`
- ▶ Read Pin 7 input
  - ▶ `bit = GPIOB->IDR & (1<<k);`

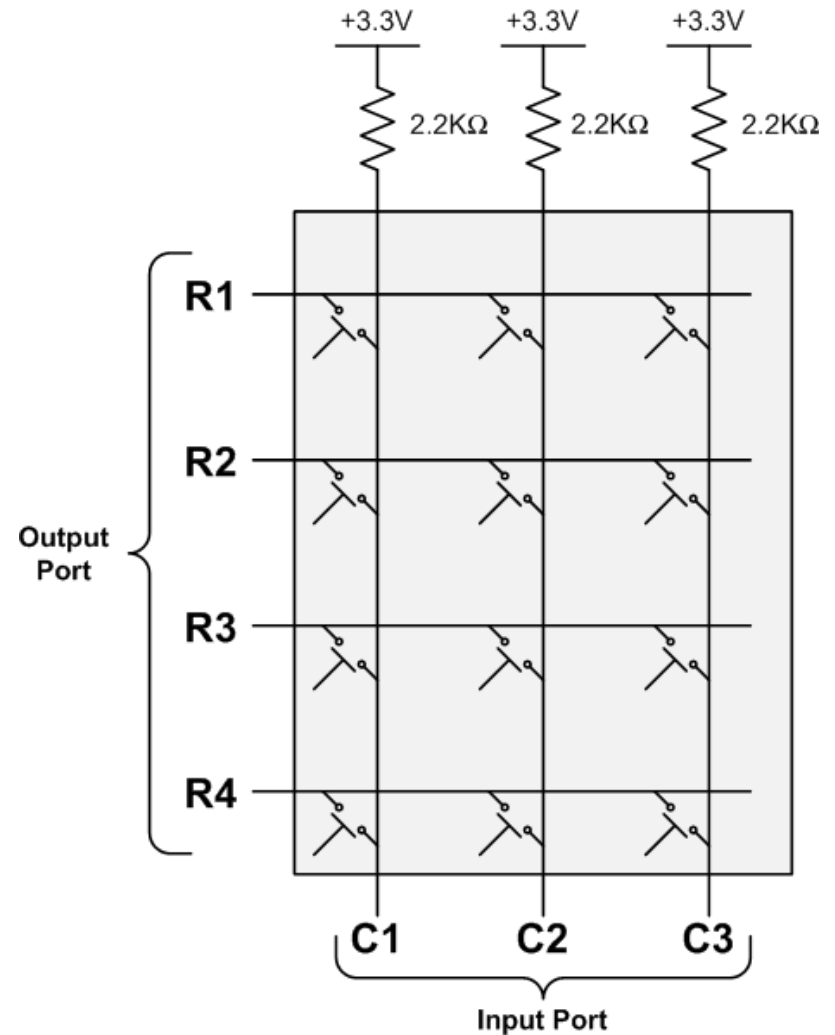
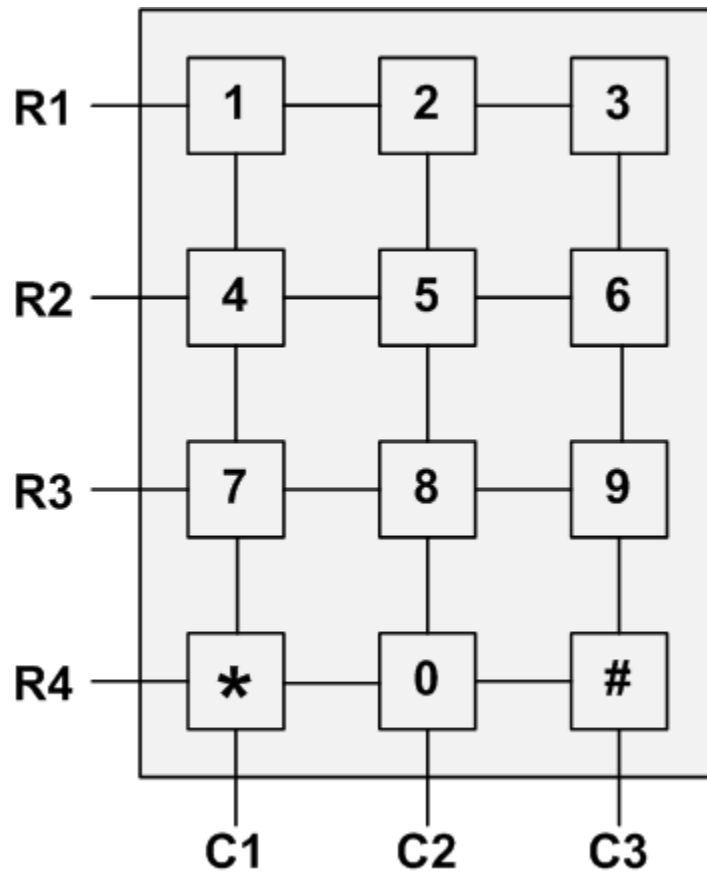
Using mask:

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Mask = 1<< 7;  
GPIOB->ODR |= Mask;
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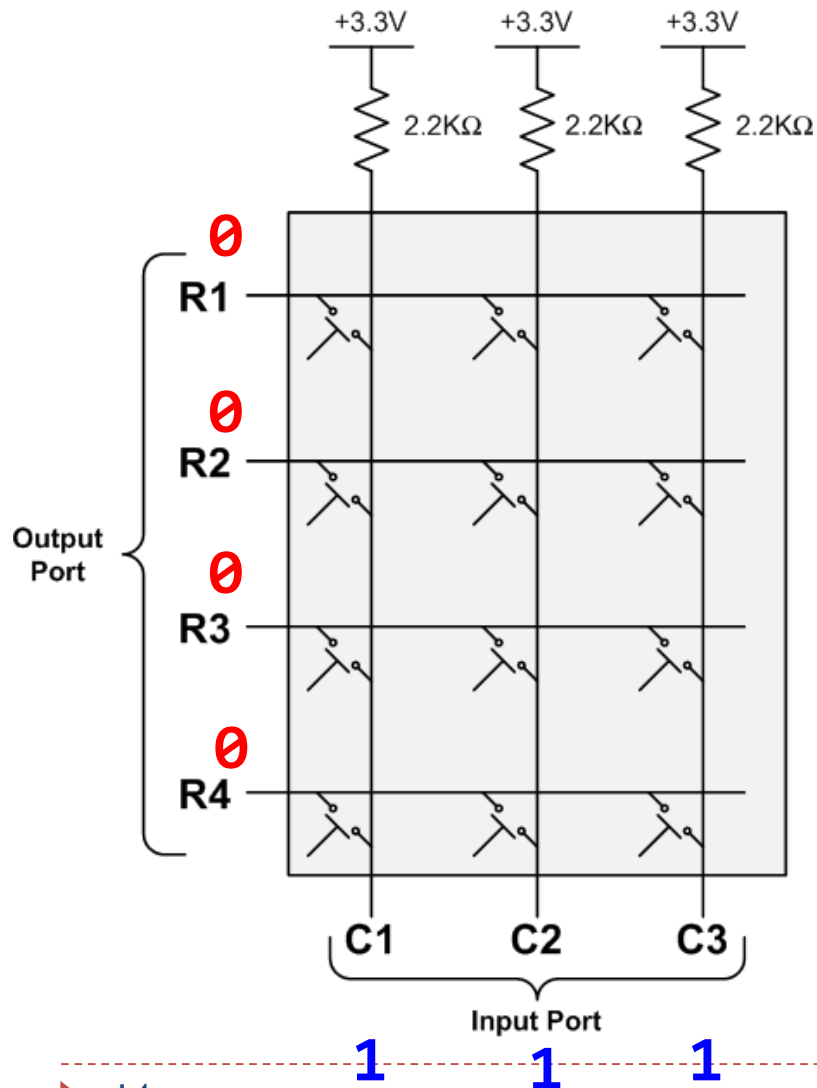
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GPIOB->ODR ^= Mask;
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bit = GPIOB->IDR & Mask;
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# Keypad Scan



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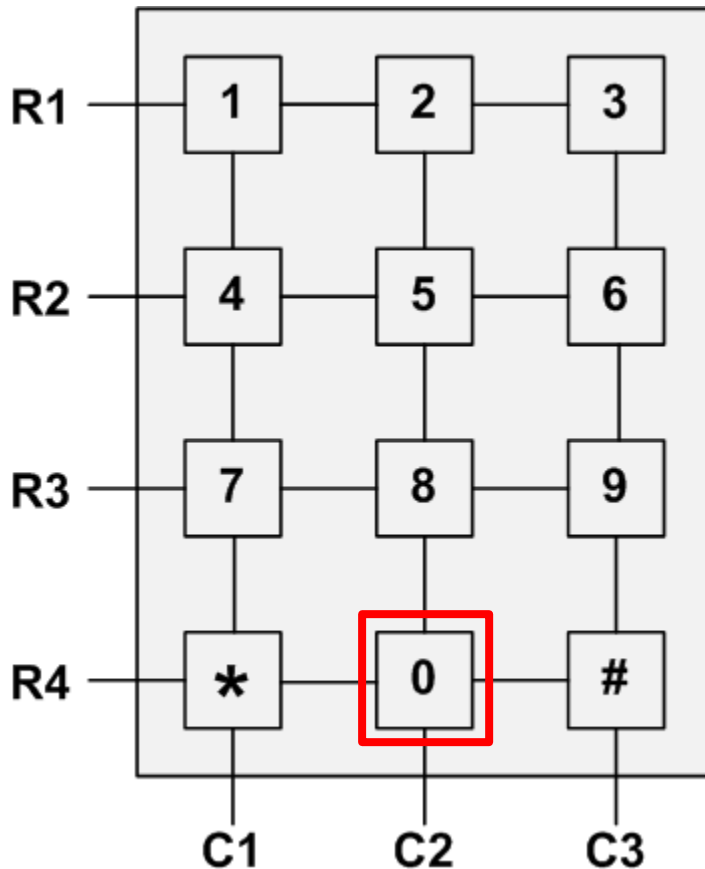


Step 1: Set Output  
 $R1, R2, R3, R4 = 0000$

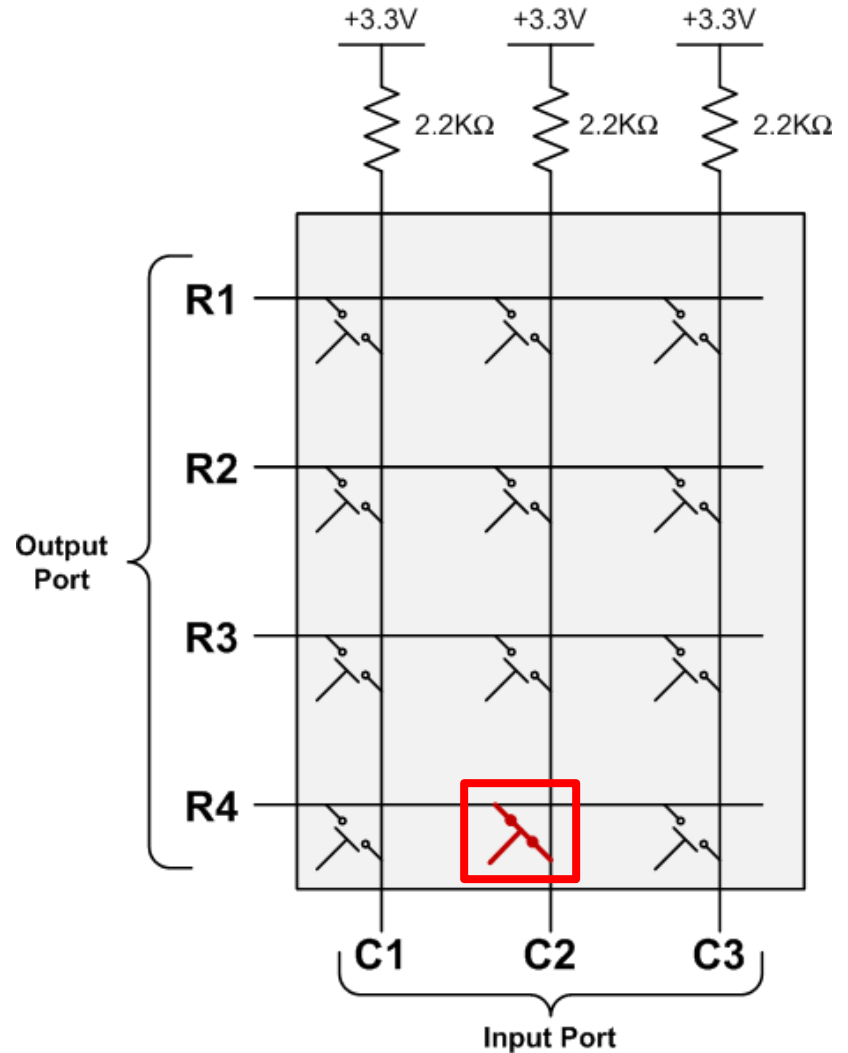
Step 2: Read Input  
 $C1, C2, C3 = 111$

$\Rightarrow$  No key pressed

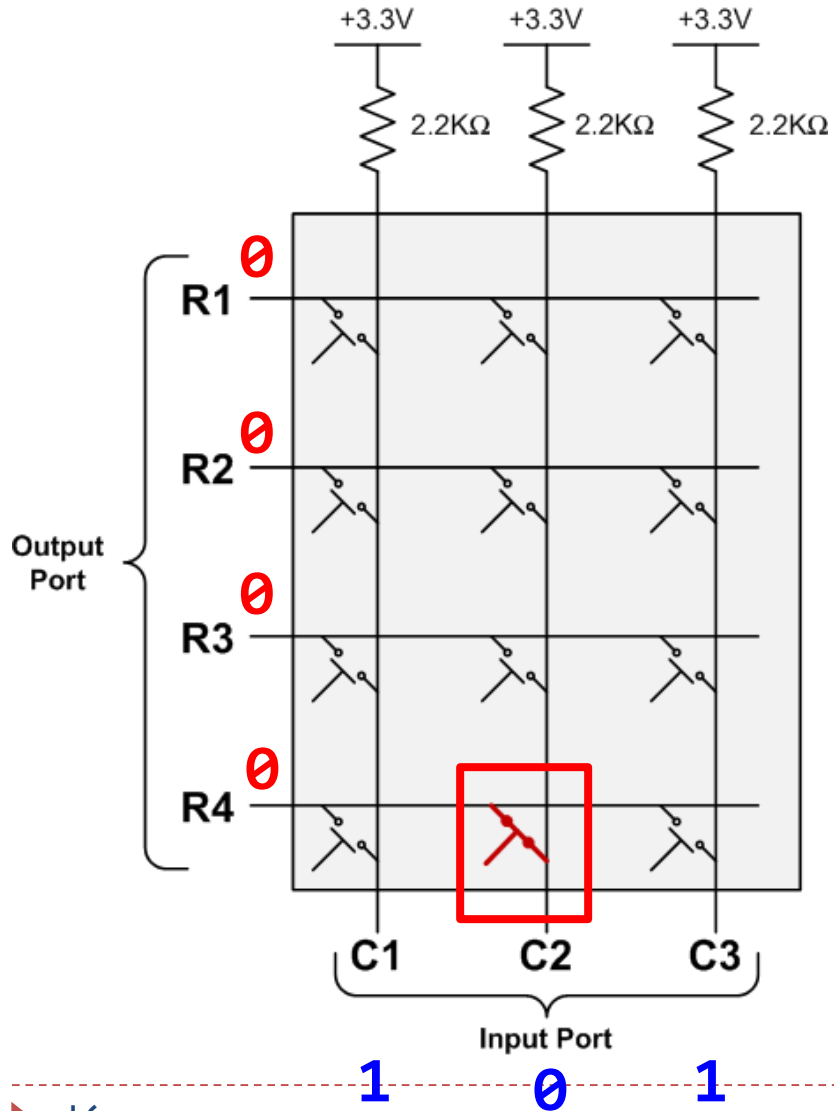
# Keypad Scan



**Key "0" is pressed**



# Keypad Scan



Step 1: Set Output  
 $R1, R2, R3, R4 = 0000$

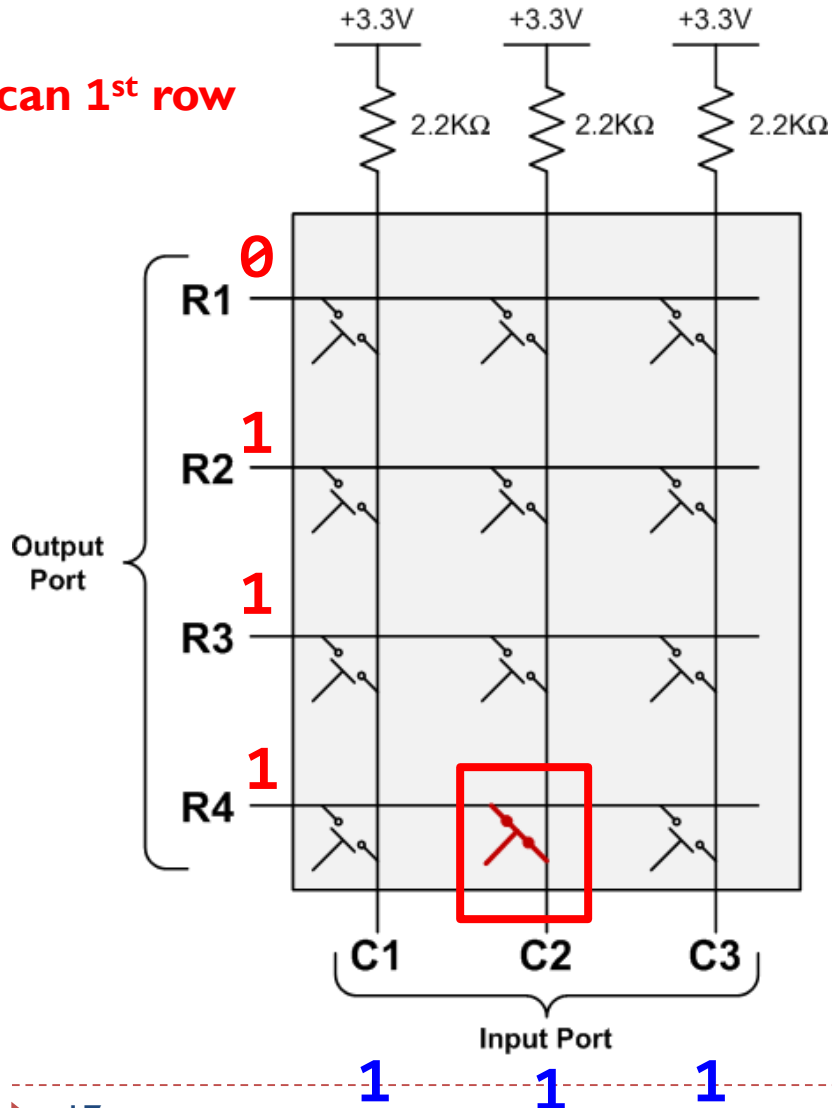
Step 2: Read Input  
 $C1, C2, C3 = 101$

⇒ Some key in 2<sup>nd</sup> column is pressed down



# Keypad Scan

Scan 1<sup>st</sup> row



Step 1: Set Output

$R1, R2, R3, R4 = 0000$

Step 2: Read Input

$C1, C2, C3 = 101$

→ Step 3a: Scan 1<sup>st</sup> row

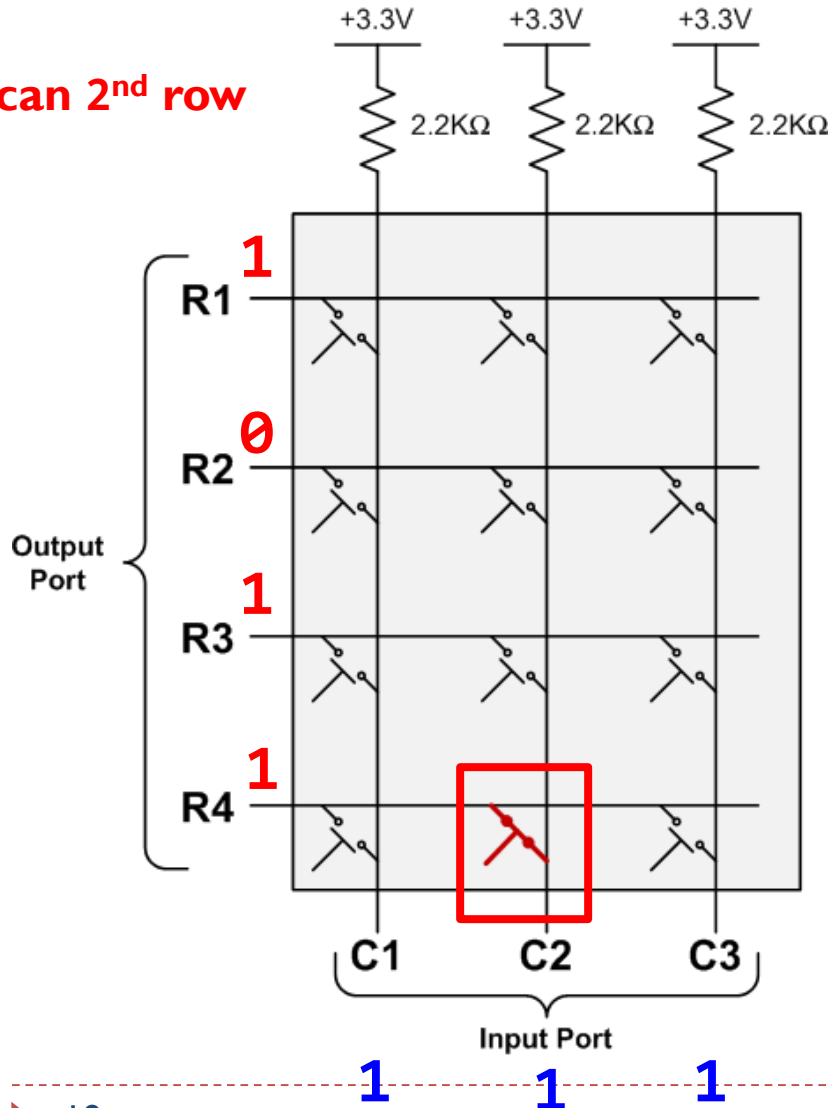
$R1, R2, R3, R4 = 0111$

$C1, C2, C3 = 111$

⇒ No key in 1<sup>st</sup> row  
is pressed down

# Keypad Scan

Scan 2<sup>nd</sup> row



Step 1: Set Output

$R1, R2, R3, R4 = 0000$

Step 2: Read Input

$C1, C2, C3 = 101$

→ Step 3b: Scan 2<sup>nd</sup> row

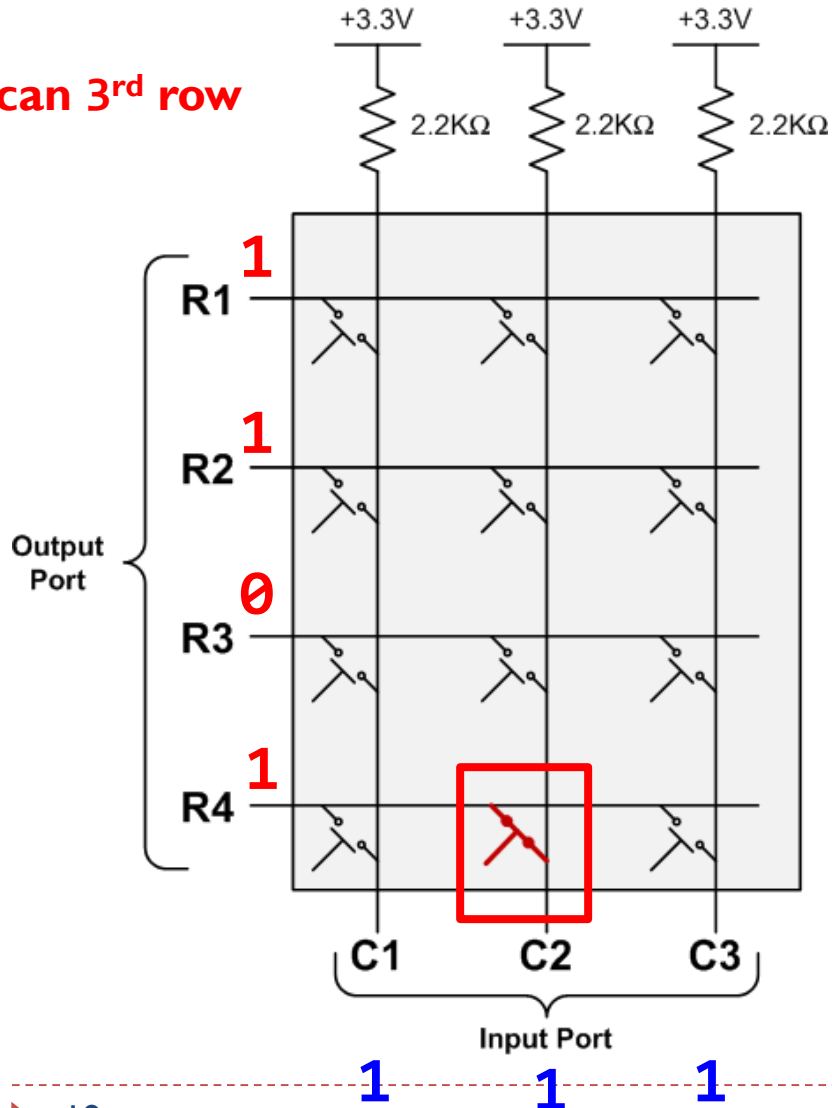
$R1, R2, R3, R4 = 1011$

$C1, C2, C3 = 111$

⇒ No key in 2<sup>nd</sup> row  
is pressed down

# Keypad Scan

Scan 3<sup>rd</sup> row



Step 1: Set Output

$R1, R2, R3, R4 = 0000$

Step 2: Read Input

$C1, C2, C3 = 101$

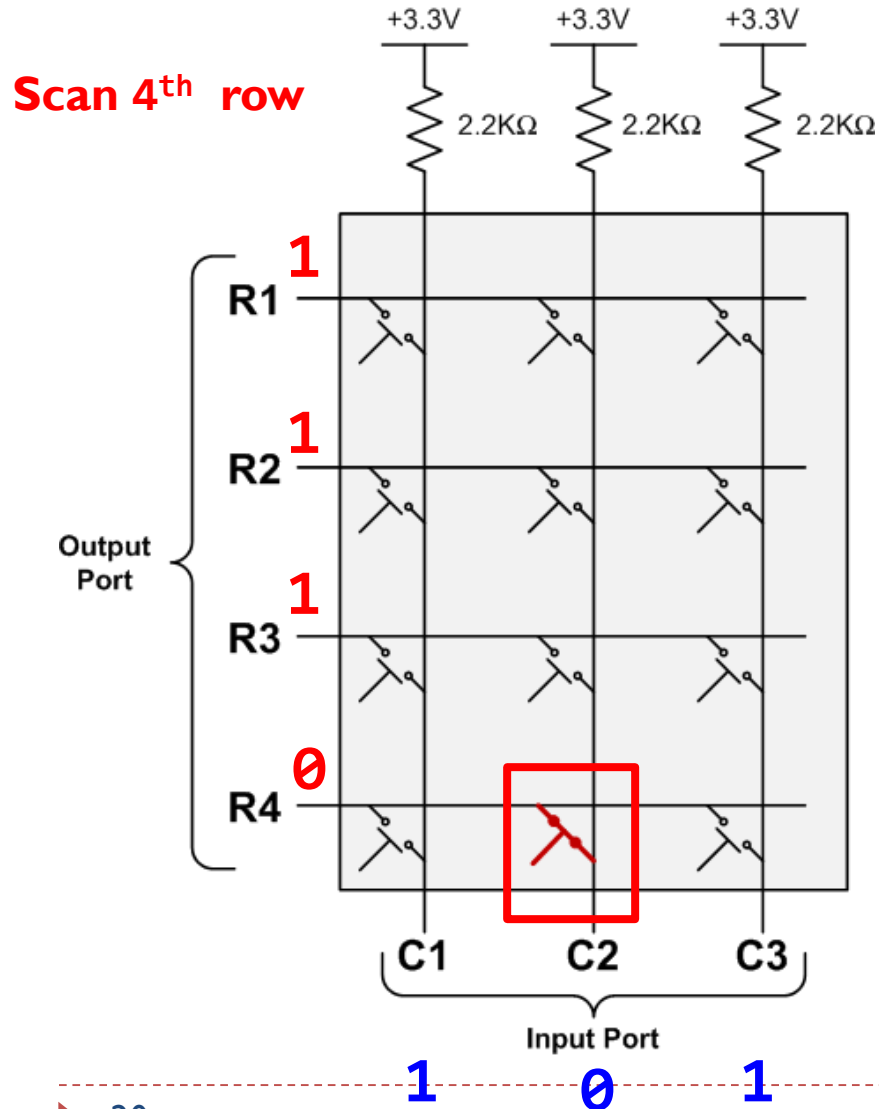
→ Step 3c: Scan 3<sup>rd</sup> row

$R1, R2, R3, R4 = 1101$

$C1, C2, C3 = 111$

⇒ No key in 3<sup>rd</sup> row  
is pressed down

# Keypad Scan



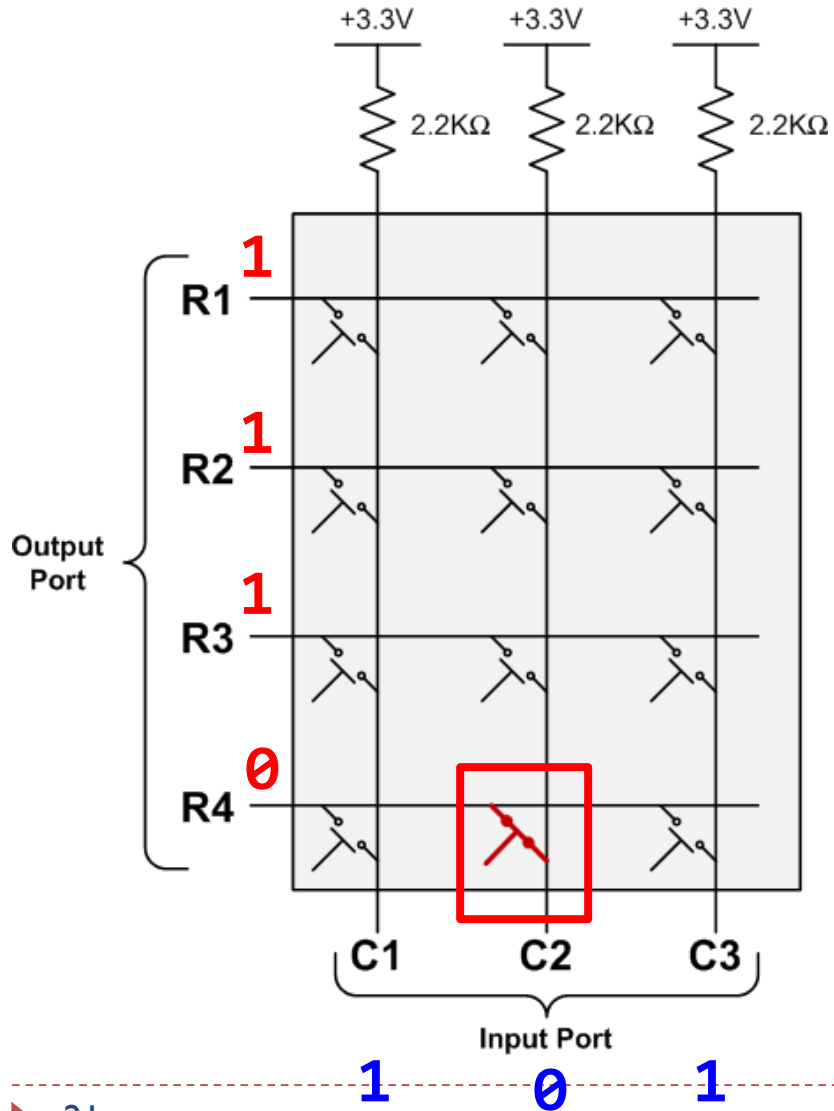
Step 1: Set Output  
 $R1, R2, R3, R4 = 0000$

Step 2: Read Input  
 $C1, C2, C3 = 101$

→ Step 3d: Scan 4<sup>th</sup> row  
 $R1, R2, R3, R4 = 1110$   
 $C1, C2, C3 = 101$

⇒ key in 4<sup>th</sup> row  
is pressed down

# Keypad Scan



⇒ Key pressed is located at the second column and the fourth row.

# Keypad Scan

