

# Virtual Workshop 2 Analog to Digital Conversion and Arduino





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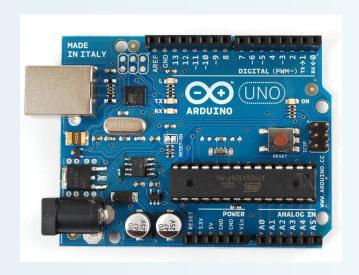


- Hardware and Software company
- Best known for their AVR-based boards
  - Uno
  - Nano
  - Mega
- Useful in many electronics projects





#### The Board



- Arduino Uno
- Digital and Analog Pins
  - Digital works with high/low signals
  - Analog works with "smooth" values
- Serial Monitor
  - Allows for communication between Arduino and other devices



#### **Programming your Arduino**

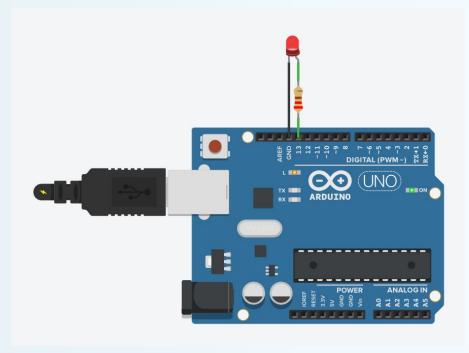
```
void setup()
{
   //Digital pin 13 will be used for output
   pinMode(13, OUTPUT);
}

void loop()
{
   // turn the LED on (HIGH is the voltage level)
   digitalWrite(13, HIGH);
   delay(1000); // Wait for 1000 millisecond(s)
   // turn the LED off by making the voltage LOW
   digitalWrite(13, LOW);
   delay(1000); // Wait for 1000 millisecond(s)
}
```

- Uses C++ syntax
- Must have a setup() and loop() function
  - setup() is run once
  - loop() is run after setup() and runs forever



# **Blink Example**



# **Analog vs. Digital**



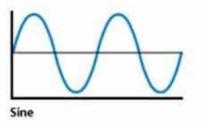
#### **Analog**

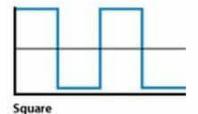
- Continuous signal
- Denoted by sine wave
- Represents physical, real-world data
- More detailed and refined
- Susceptible to noise
- Lower quality signal

#### Digital

- Segmented signal
- Denoted by square wave
- Represents binary, discrete data
- Easy for computers to read and process
- Less susceptible to noise
- Higher quality signal











# What is ADC and how does it work?

#### What is ADC?

- ADC stands for Analog to Digital Converter
- Device which converts analog voltage to digital signal
- Allows for easy data collection/analysis by computers

#### How does it work in an Arduino?

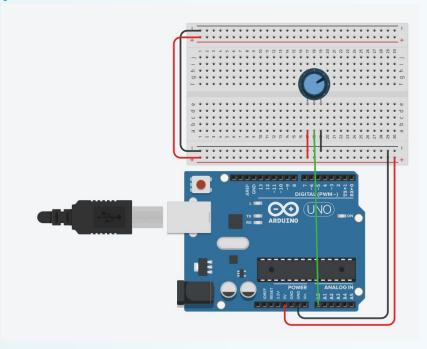
- 1. Analog input voltage charges internal capacitor
- 2. Monitors how many clock cycles pass until fully discharged
- 3. Number of clock cycles returned by Arduino
- Outputs number in binary (2^10 or 10 bit for Uno)
  - Technique is called successive approximation

$$\frac{1023}{5} = \frac{ADC \ Reading}{Analog \ Voltage \ Measured}$$

Numerical Output



# Pot to Percent Example





**Pot to LED Example** 

