# What is a microcontroller

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A microcontroller (MCU for microcontroller unit) is a small computer on a single metal-oxide-semiconductor (MOS) integrated circuit (IC) chip. A microcontroller contains one or more CPUs (processor cores) along with memory and programmable input/output peripherals.



## Big computers vs small computers





Dell Precision T1500

CPU Speed: 2.93GHz

- Quad-core!

RAM: 16GB

Storage: 2TB

I/O:

 USB, Firewire, Serial, PS/2, RJ-45, Audio, etc.



Atmel ATMEGA328P

CPU Speed: 20MHz

Not Quad-core ©

RAM: 2KB

Storage:

32KB Program Memory

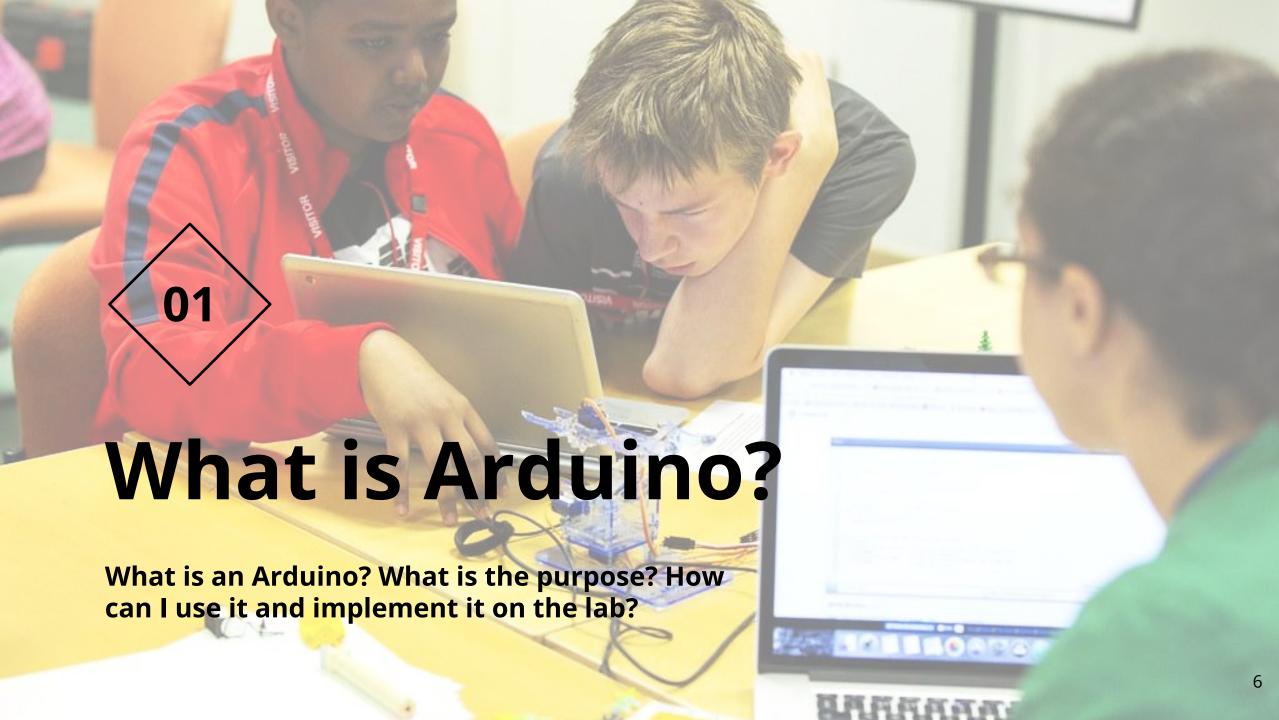
1KB EEPROM

I/O:

Up to 23 generic I/O

6 of them 'analog-capable'

UART/SPI/I<sup>2</sup>C, etc.

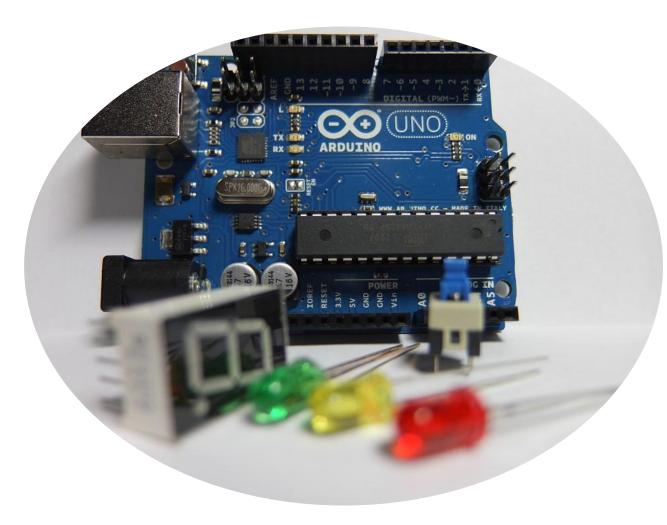


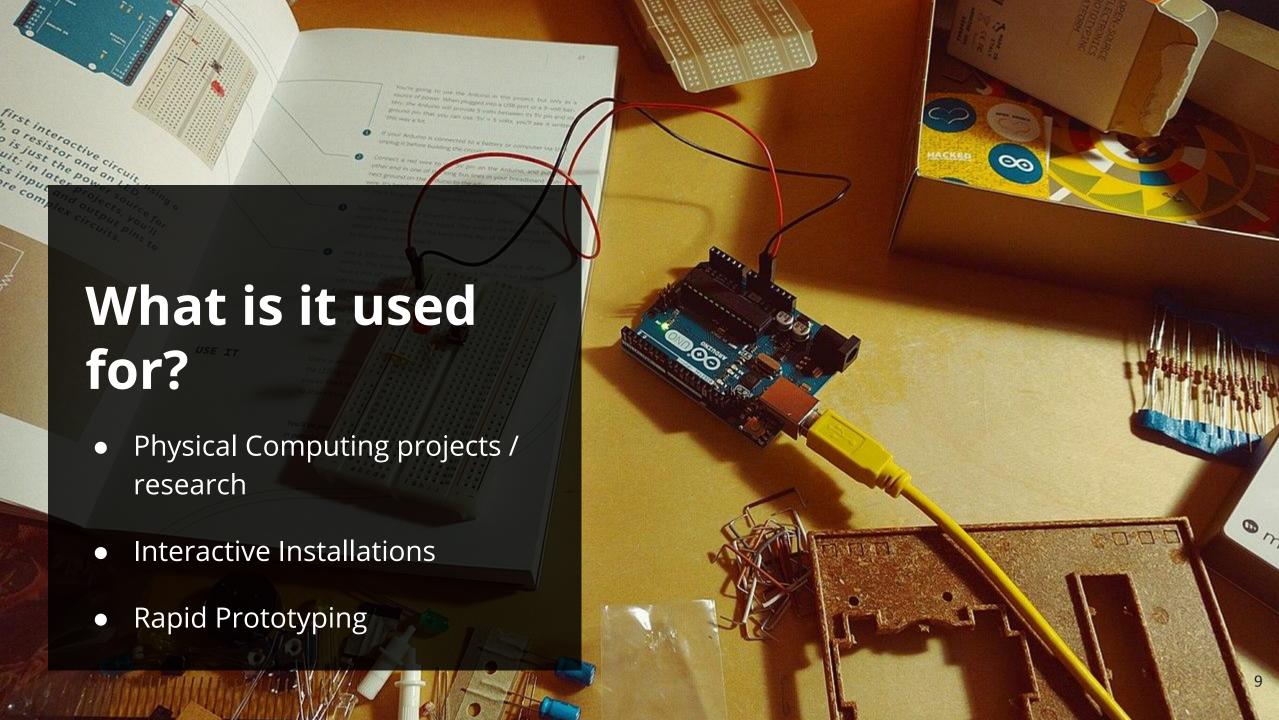


#### **Arduino Microcontroller**



- Open-source electronics platform based on easy-to-use hardware and software.
- Are able to read inputs light on a sensor, a finger on a button, or a Twitter message - and turn it into an output - activating a motor, turning on an LED, publishing something online.





#### What can I do?





#### Sensors

- Push buttons, touchpads, tilt switches
- Variable resistors (Sliders, Volume knobs)
- Photoresistors (sensing light)
- Thermistors (temperature)
- Ultrasound (proximity range finder)



#### **Actuators**

- Lights, LED's
- Motors
- Speakers
- Displays (LCD's)



# **How Arduino is programmed?**



Using a software called Arduino IDE





```
// the setup function runs once when you press reset or power the board
void setup() {
         alize digital pin LED_BUILTIN as an output.
         LXD_BUILTIN, OUTPUT);
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     lop function runs over and over again forever
void loop() {$
  digitalWrite(LED_BUILTIN, HIGH); // turn the LED on (HIGH is the voltage level)
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```

#### **How Arduinos are programmed**

# **Arduino Software (IDE)**



The Arduino Integrated Development Environment - or Arduino Software (IDE) - contains a text editor for writing code, a message area, a text console, a toolbar with buttons for common functions and a series of menus. It connects to the Arduino hardware to upload programs and communicate with them.

# **Arduino Language**



- Simplified C/C++
- Based on the wiring project
  - http://wiring.org.co
- Peripheral libraries
  - o LCD, sensors, 12C, ect.



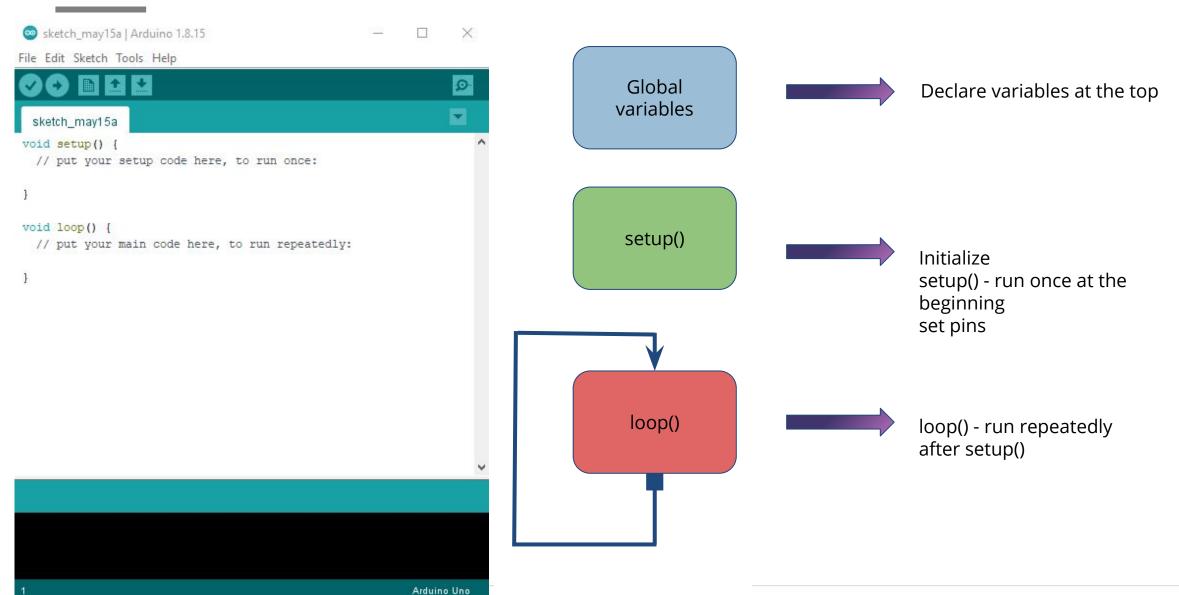
# **Useful functions**

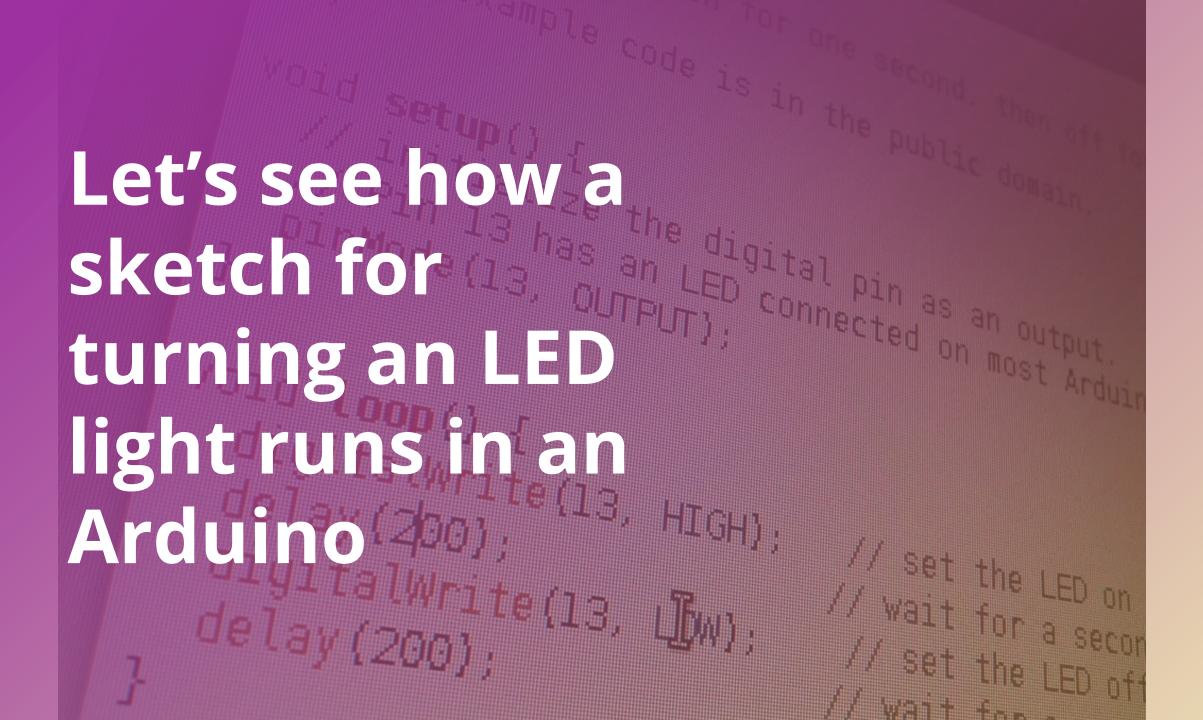


pinMode()	set pin as input or output
digitalWrite()	set a digital pin high/low
digitalRead()	read a digital pin's state
analogRead()	read an analog pin
analogWrite()	write an "analog" PWM value
delay()	wait an amount of time
millis()	get the current time

## Sketch

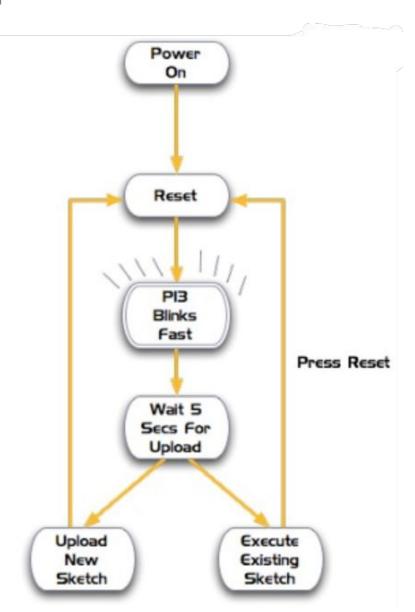






# **Blinking LED**





Blink | Arduino 1.8.15

File Edit Sketch Tools Help



#### Blink§

```
int ledpin = 13;

void setup() {
    // initialize digital pin LED_BUILTIN as an output.
    pinMode(ledpin, OUTPUT);
}

// the loop function runs over and over again forever
void loop() {
    digitalWrite(ledpin, HIGH); // turn the LED on (HIGH is the voltage level)
    delay(5000); // wait for 5 seconds
    digitalWrite(ledpin, LOW); // turn the LED off by making the voltage LOW
    delay(5000); // wait for 5 seconds
}
```

#### Done compiling.

Sketch uses 936 bytes (2%) of program storage space. Maximum is 32256 bytes.
Global variables use 9 bytes (0%) of dynamic memory, leaving 2039 bytes for local variables. Maximum is 2048 bytes.

## **Global variables**



Global variables

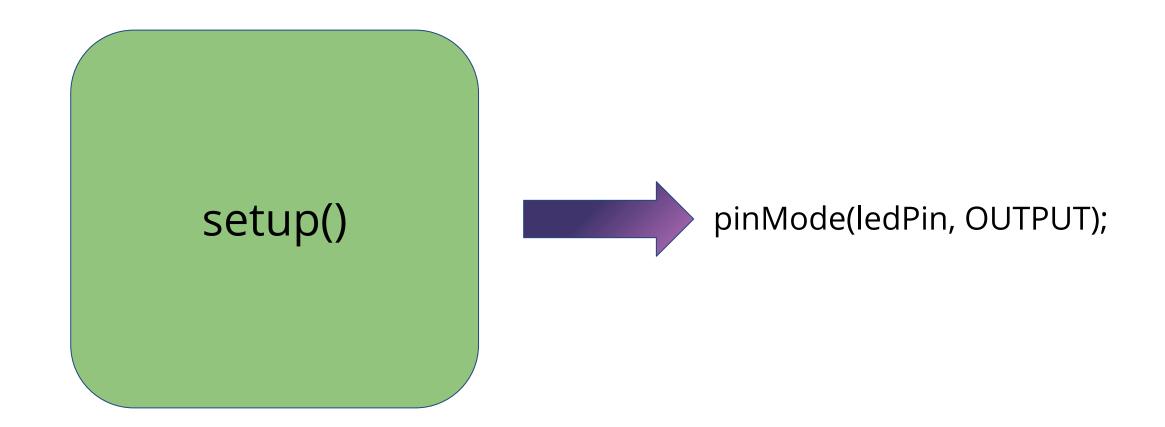


int ledPin = 13;

- LED connected to the control pin 13

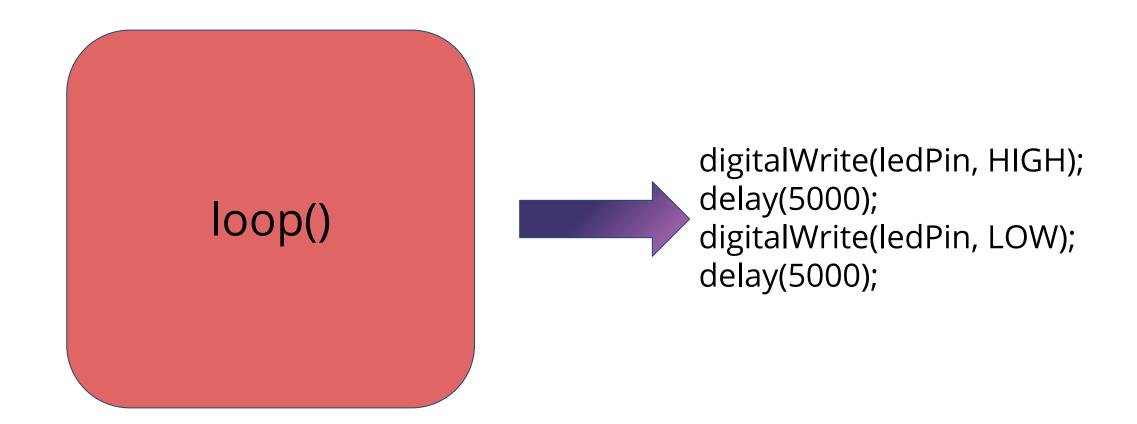
# Setup()

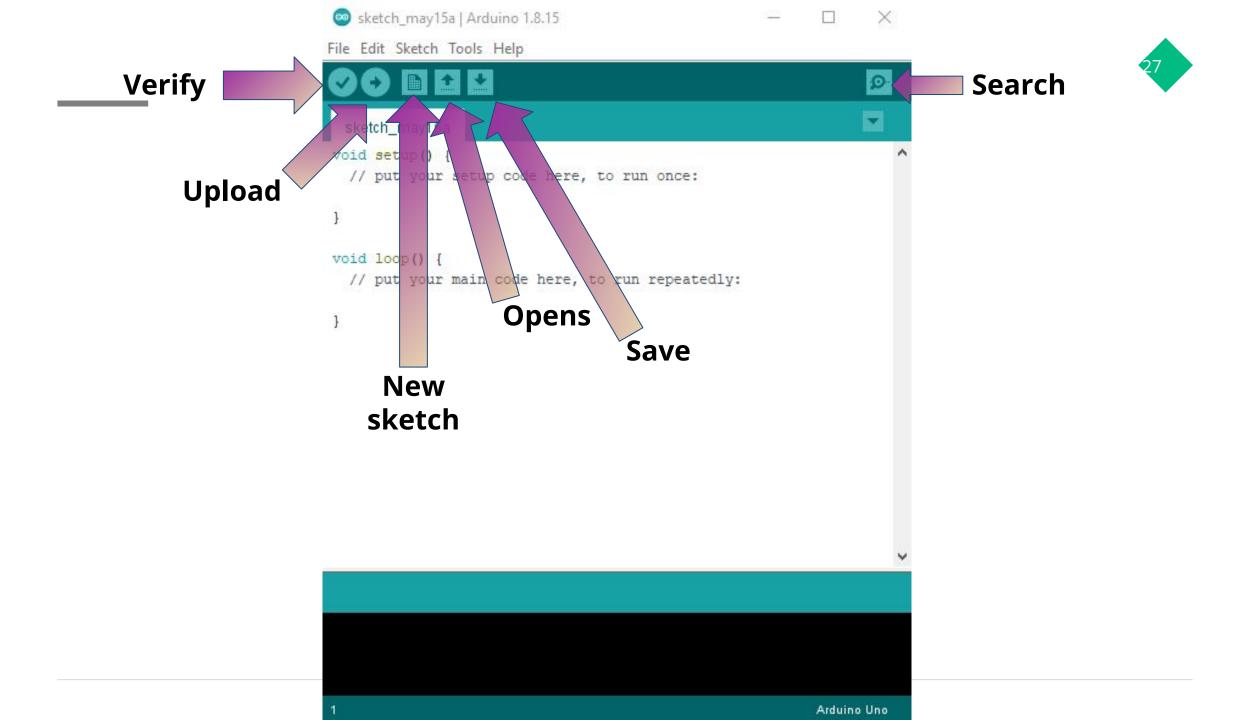




# loop()







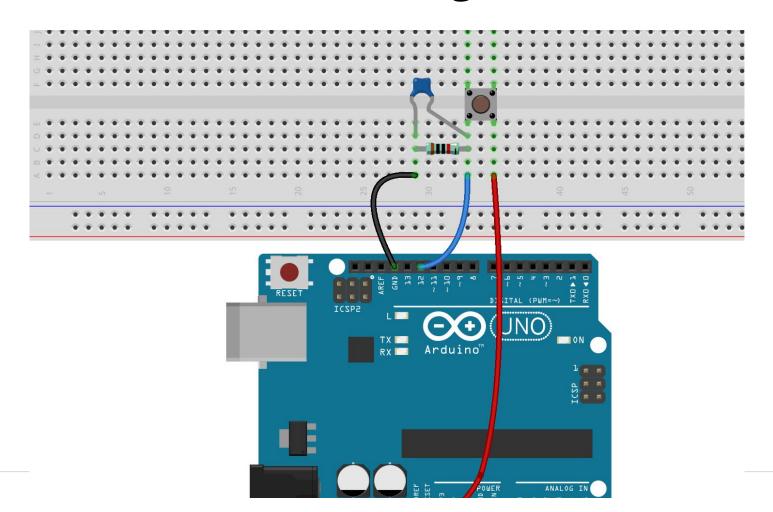






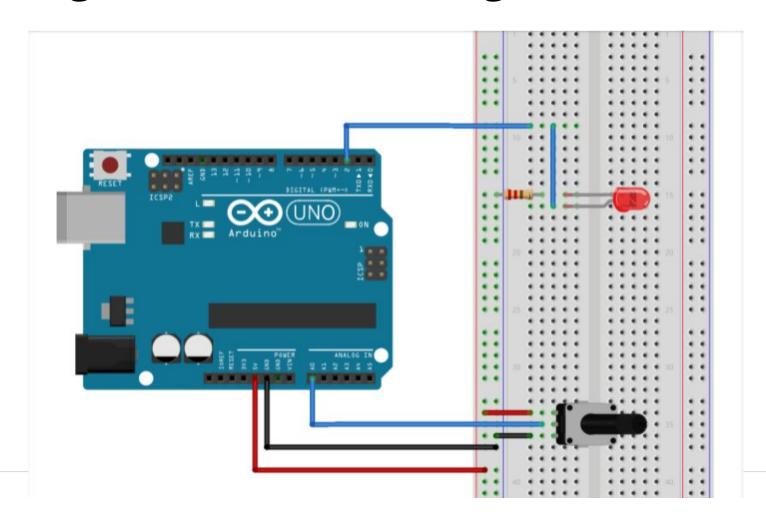
# Challenge!!

## **LED Control Using a button**





#### **LED Brightness Control Using a Potentiometer**



# Challenge!!



# **Scrolling LED**

