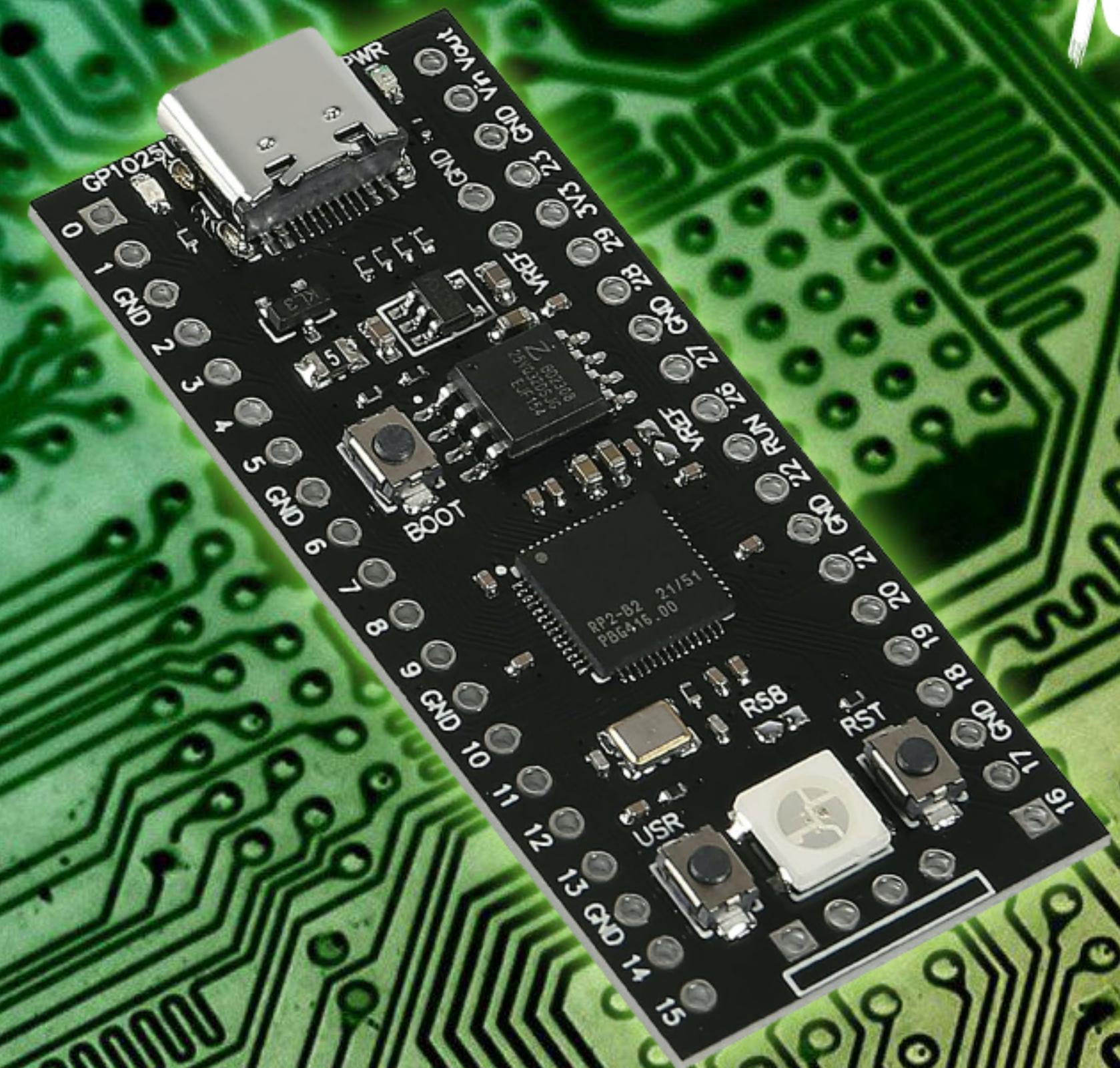


# MICROCONTROLLER MASTERY



02 DECLARE

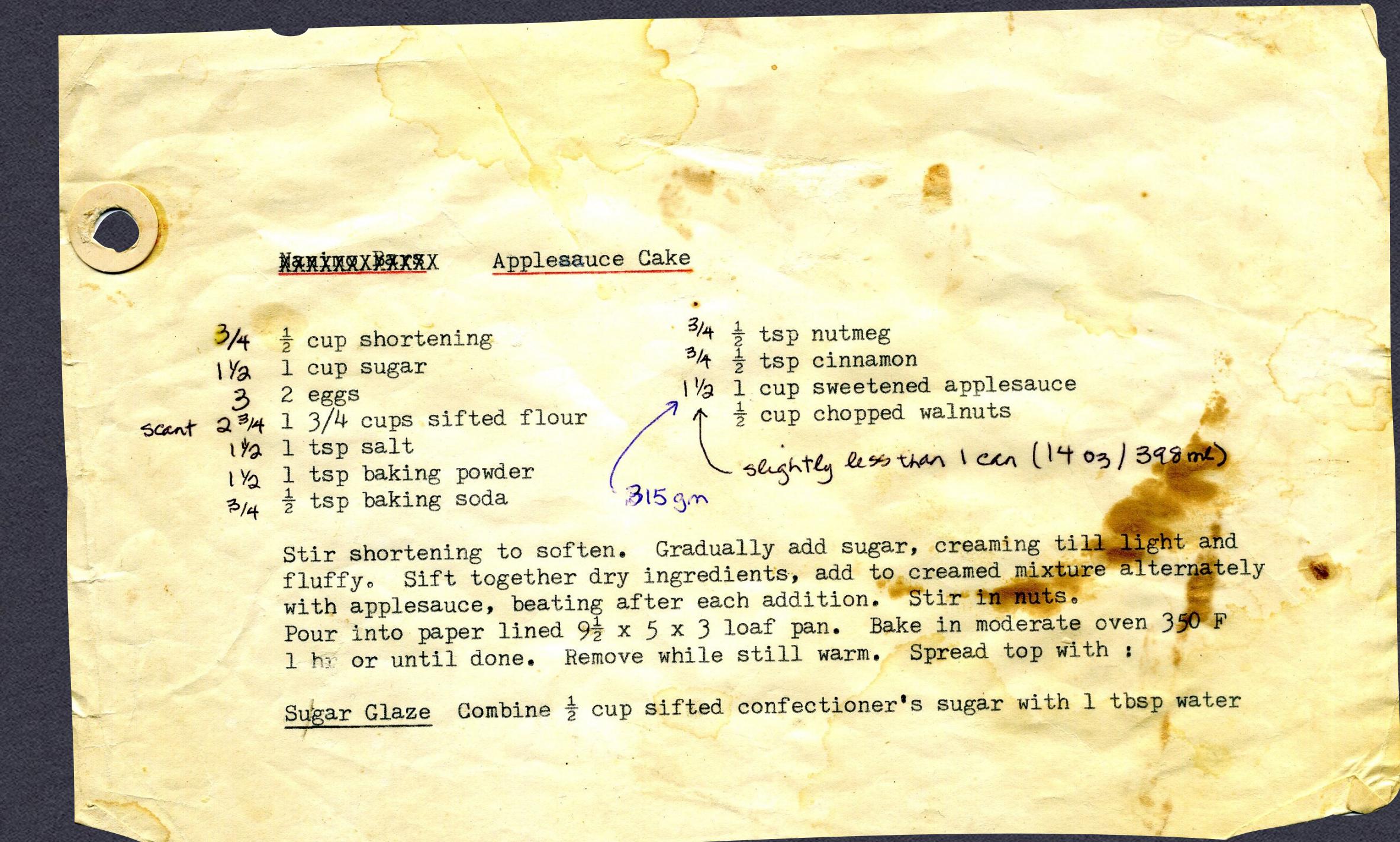
# WHAT IS PROGRAMMING?



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GIVING A COMPUTER A SERIES OF  
INSTRUCTIONS TO DO.

THIS CLASS WILL BE  
PROGRAMMING WITH BLOCK-  
BASED CODE, WHICH USES “LEGO-  
LIKE” PIECES TO PROVIDE  
INSTRUCTIONS.

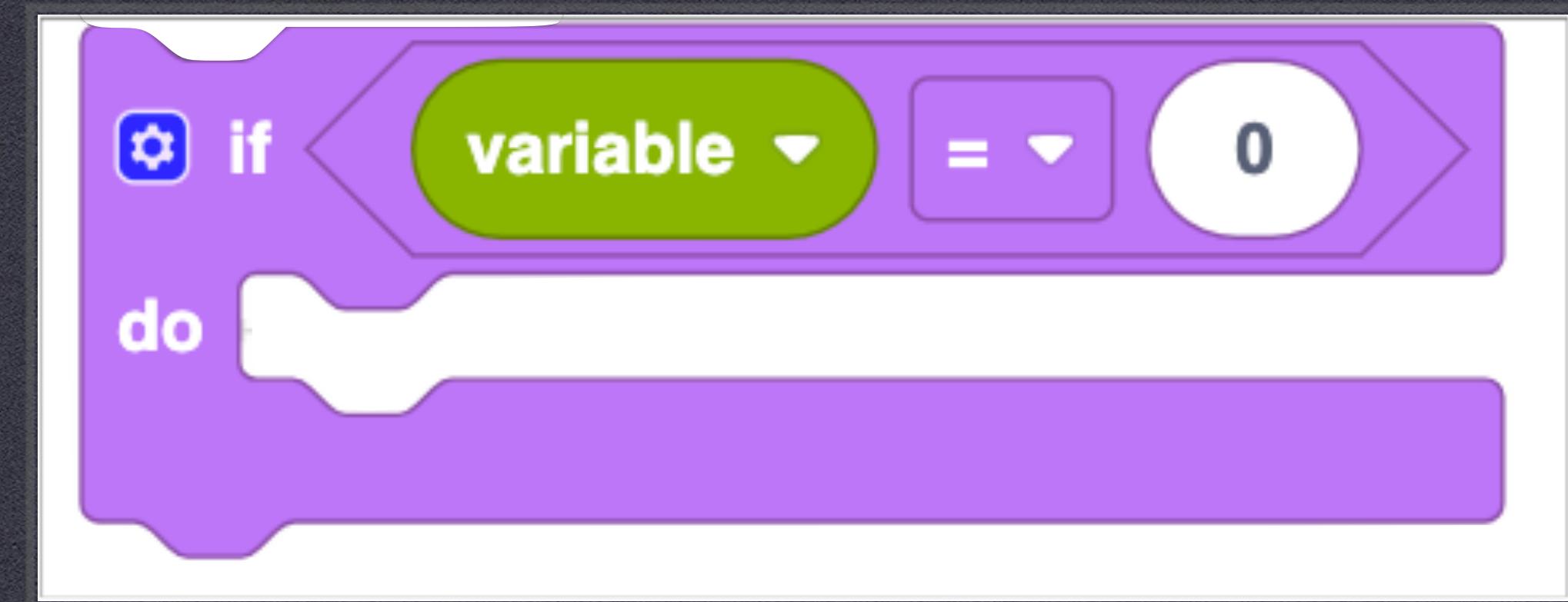


# WHAT IS PROGRAMMING?

**START**  
EVERY PROGRAM MUST HAVE A PLACE TO  
BEGIN. IN OUR CASE, IT IS WHEN WE USE  
THE START BLOCK



# WHAT IS PROGRAMMING?



## IF STATEMENT

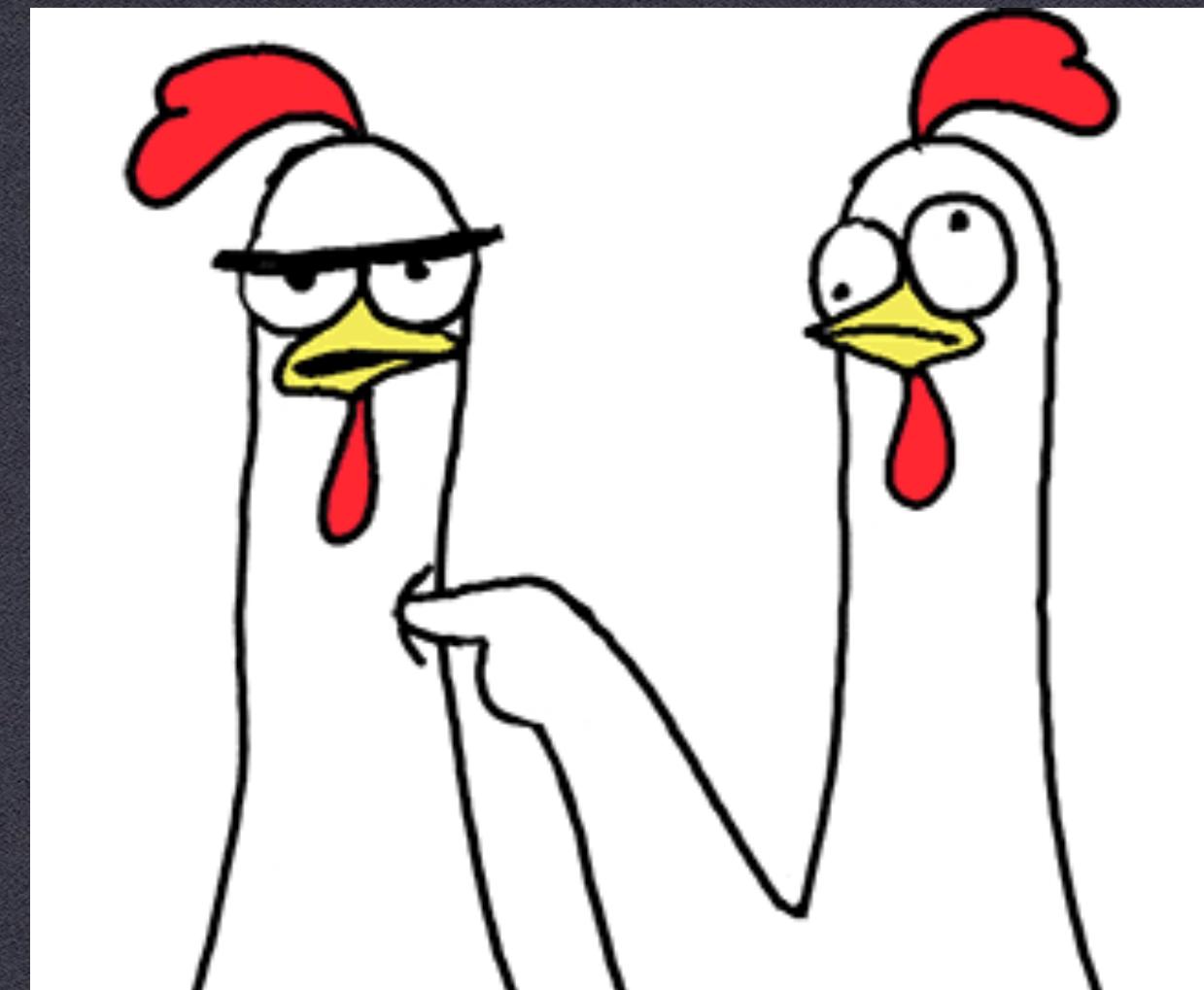
A CONDITIONAL BLOCK (ALSO KNOWN AS AN IF STATEMENT) ALLOWS A PROGRAM TO DO SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS IF THE CONDITIONS APPLY.



# WHAT IS PROGRAMMING?

## LOOPS

A LOOP PROVIDES A WAY TO REPEAT A TASK MULTIPLE TIMES, GENERALLY HAVING A CONDITION TO STOP THE LOOP.

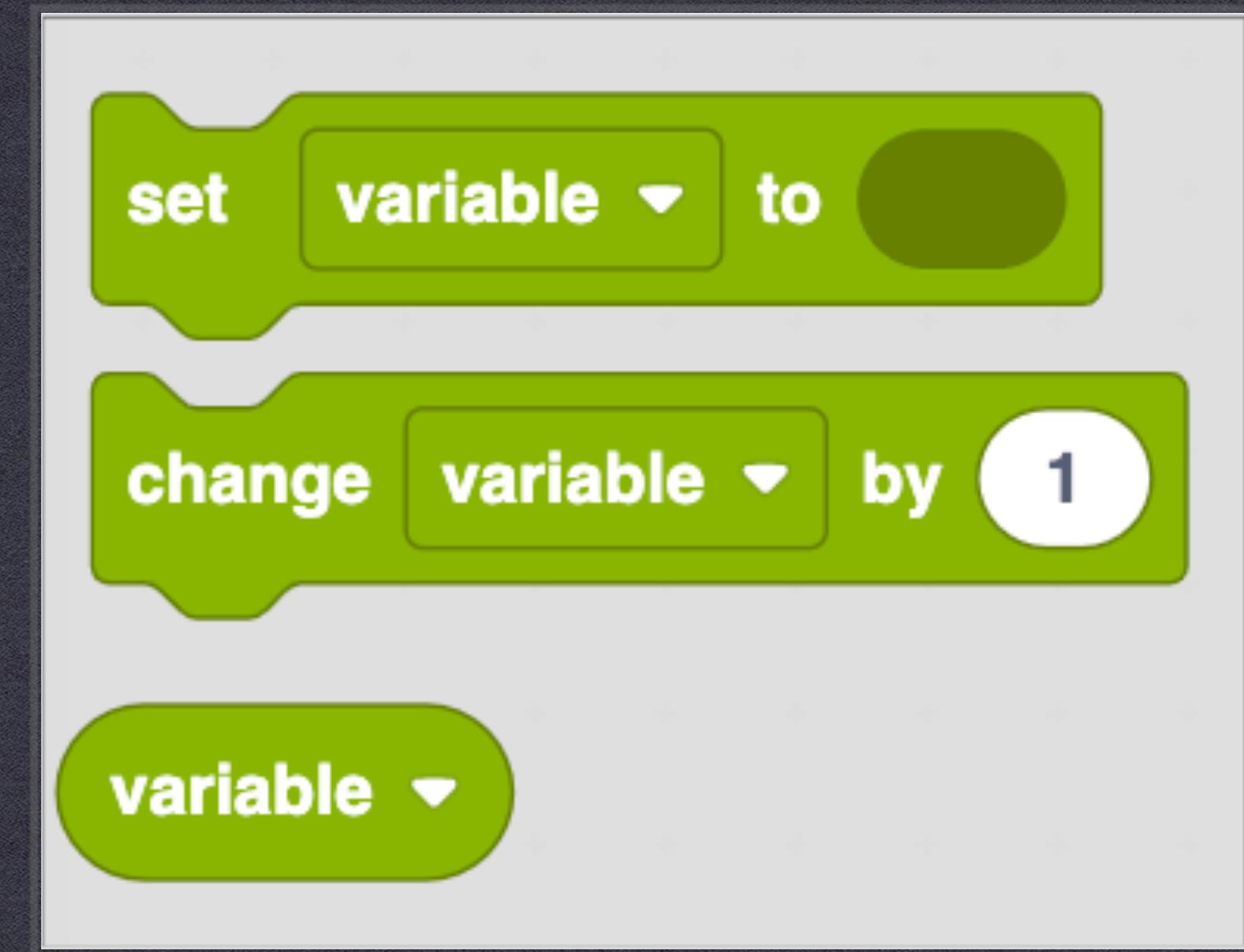


# WHAT IS PROGRAMMING?

## VARIABLES

PROVIDE A PLACE TO PUT CHANGING DATA.

IN OUR BLOCK PROGRAMMING LANGUAGE, WE HAVE A WAY TO SET, CHANGE, AND USE THE VARIABLE.



# WHAT IS PROGRAMMING?

## SETTING A PIN

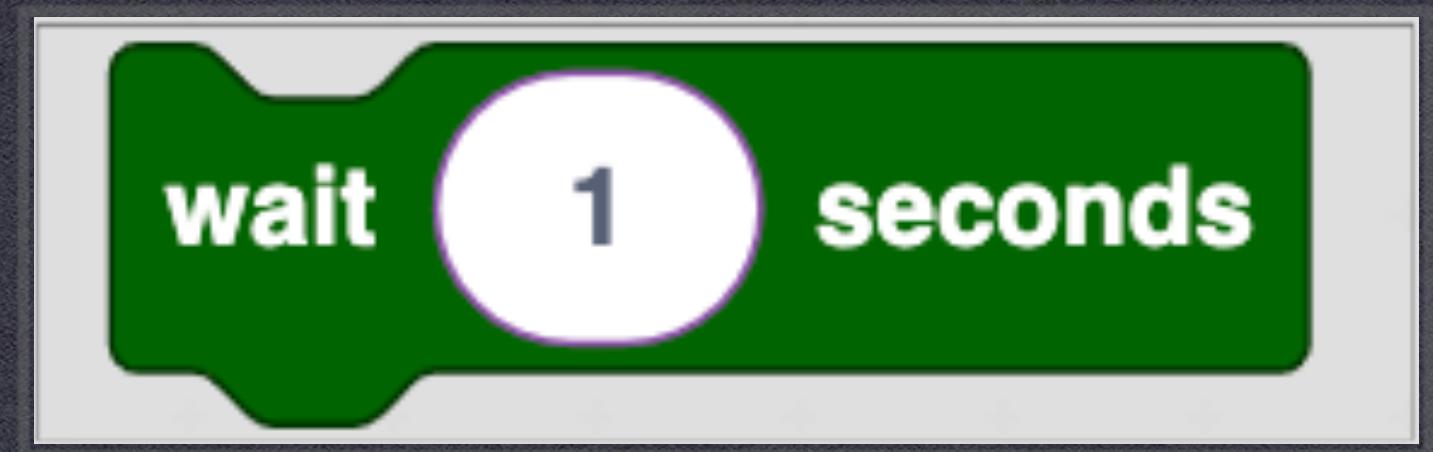
ON A MICROCONTROLLER, SETTING A PIN  
MEANS TO SEND OUT POWER (TURN ON)  
OR NOT (TURN OFF)

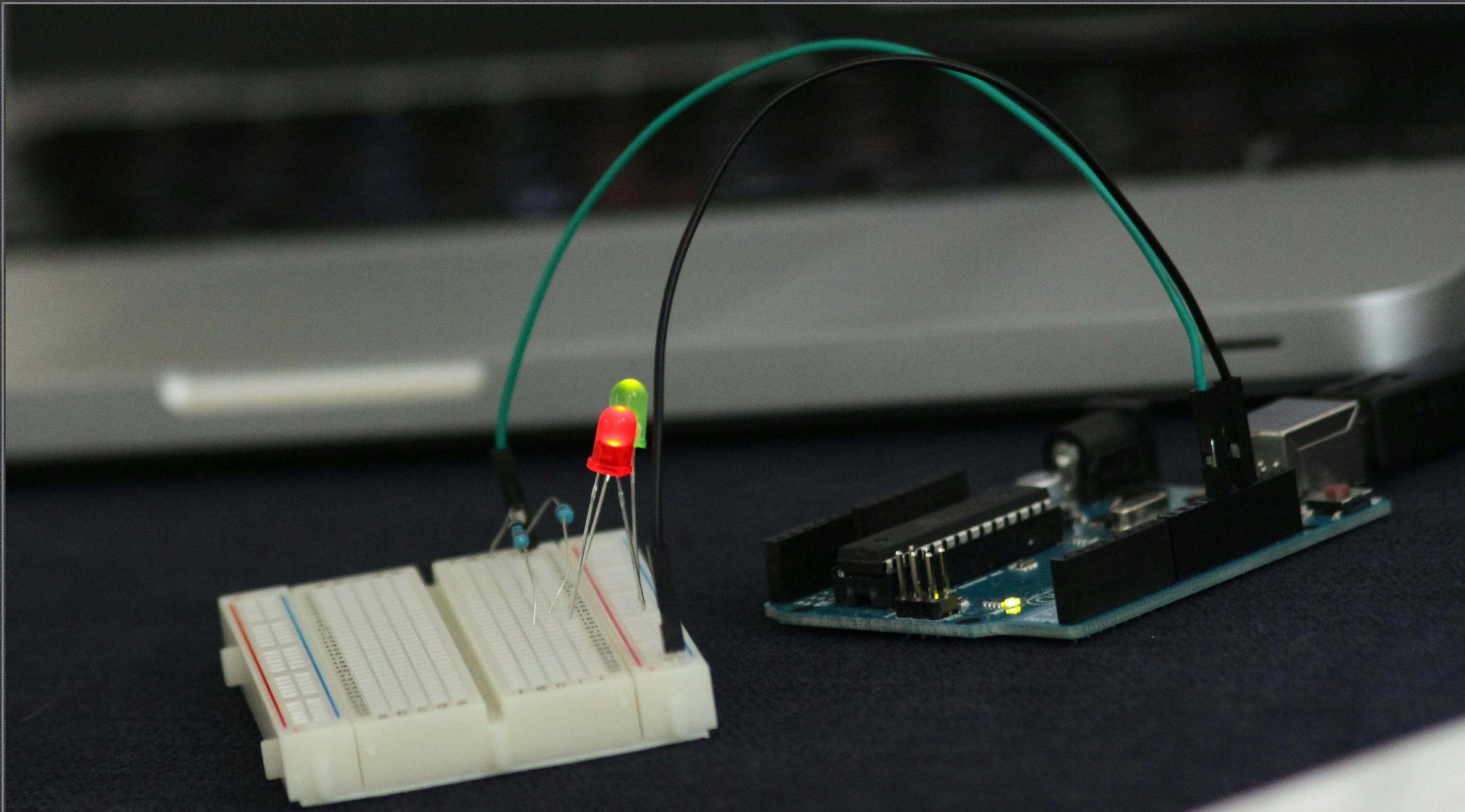


# WHAT IS PROGRAMMING?

## WAITING

ALSO KNOWN AS A DELAY OR “SLEEPING.”  
IN PROGRAMMING, HAVING A WAY TO  
MAKE THE COMPUTER WAIT IS  
IMPORTANT FOR SOME PROCESSES.





PROJECT

# PROGRAMMING THE MICROCONTROLLER

LAB

2

MATERIALS

LAB KIT



TASK

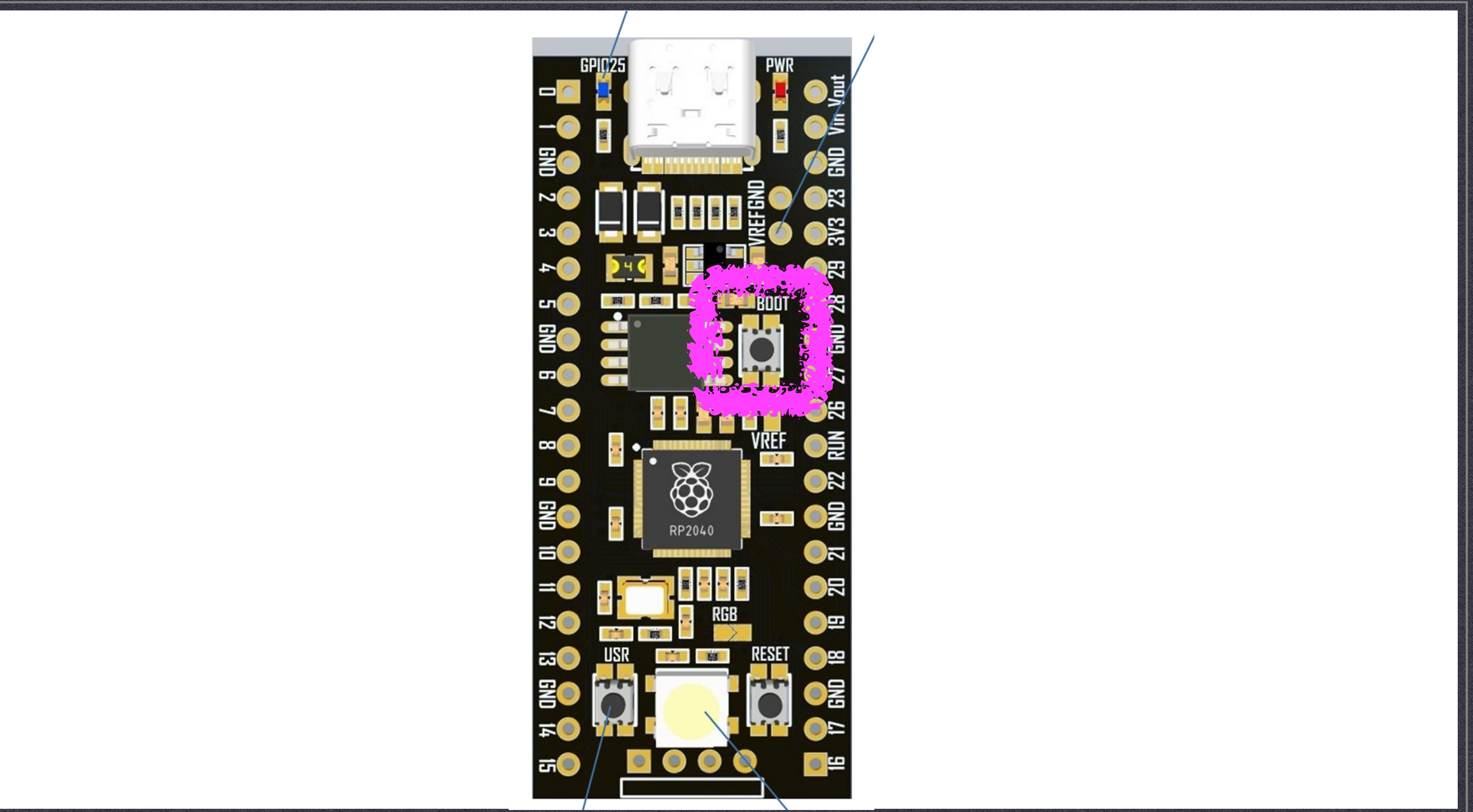
**TURN OFF BATTERY PACK**  
**DO NOT TURN IT ON FOR THIS PROJECT**

STEP

1

MATERIALS

**BATTERY PACK**



TASK

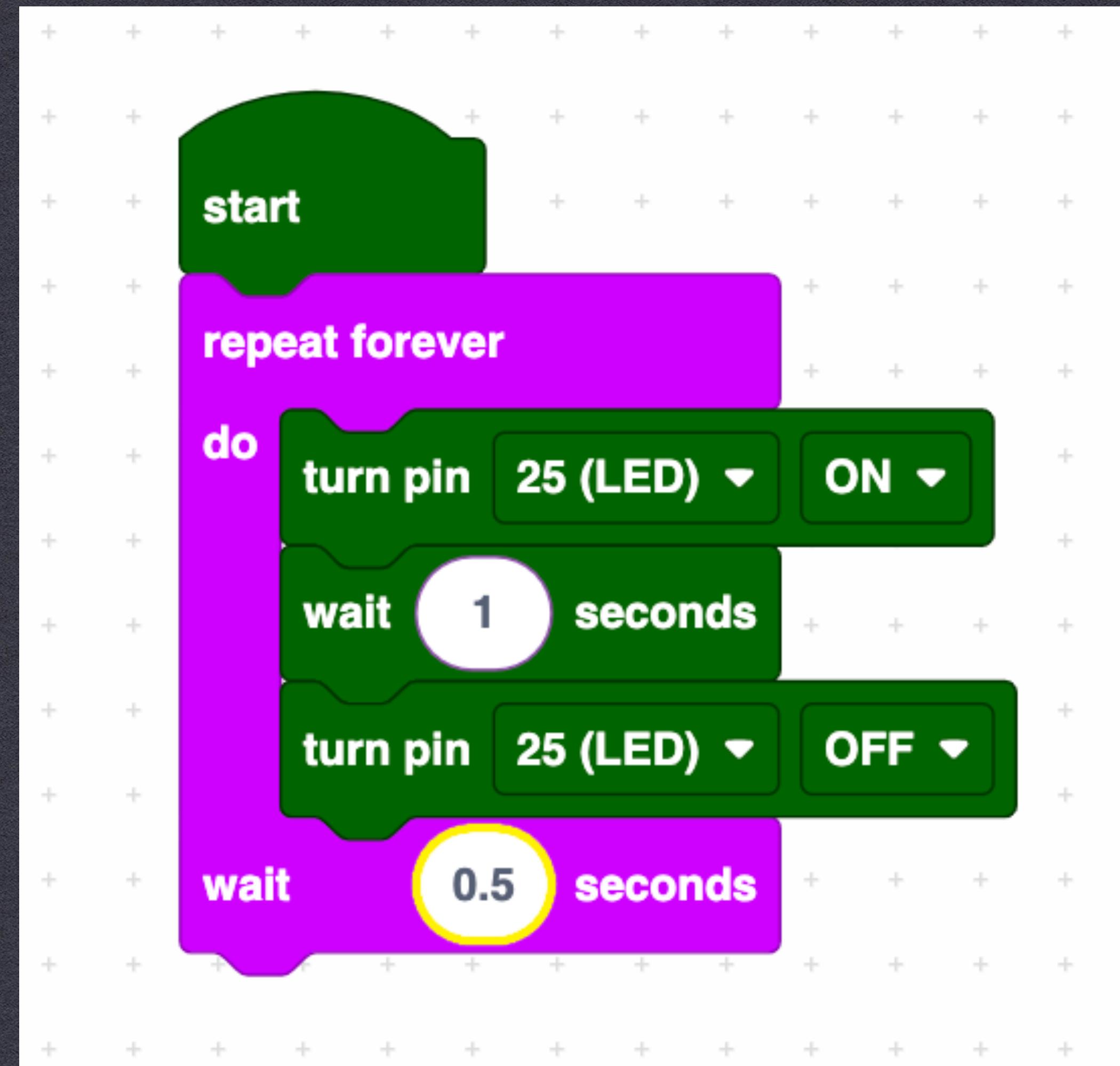
**HOLD DOWN BOOT BUTTON WHILE PLUGGING IN**

YOU CAN LET GO AFTER THE UNIT IS PLUGGED-IN

STEP  
2

MATERIALS

**MICROCONTROLLER / USB CABLE**



TASK

# REPLICATE THIS PROGRAM IN PIPER

ALL THE BLOCKS WILL BE IN THE “CHIP” AREA EXCEPT FOR REPEAT WHICH WILL BE IN THE “LOOPS”

STEP  
3

MATERIALS

MICROCONTROLLER / COMPUTER



**CONNECT**

**TASK**

**CLICK “CONNECT” ON PIPER**

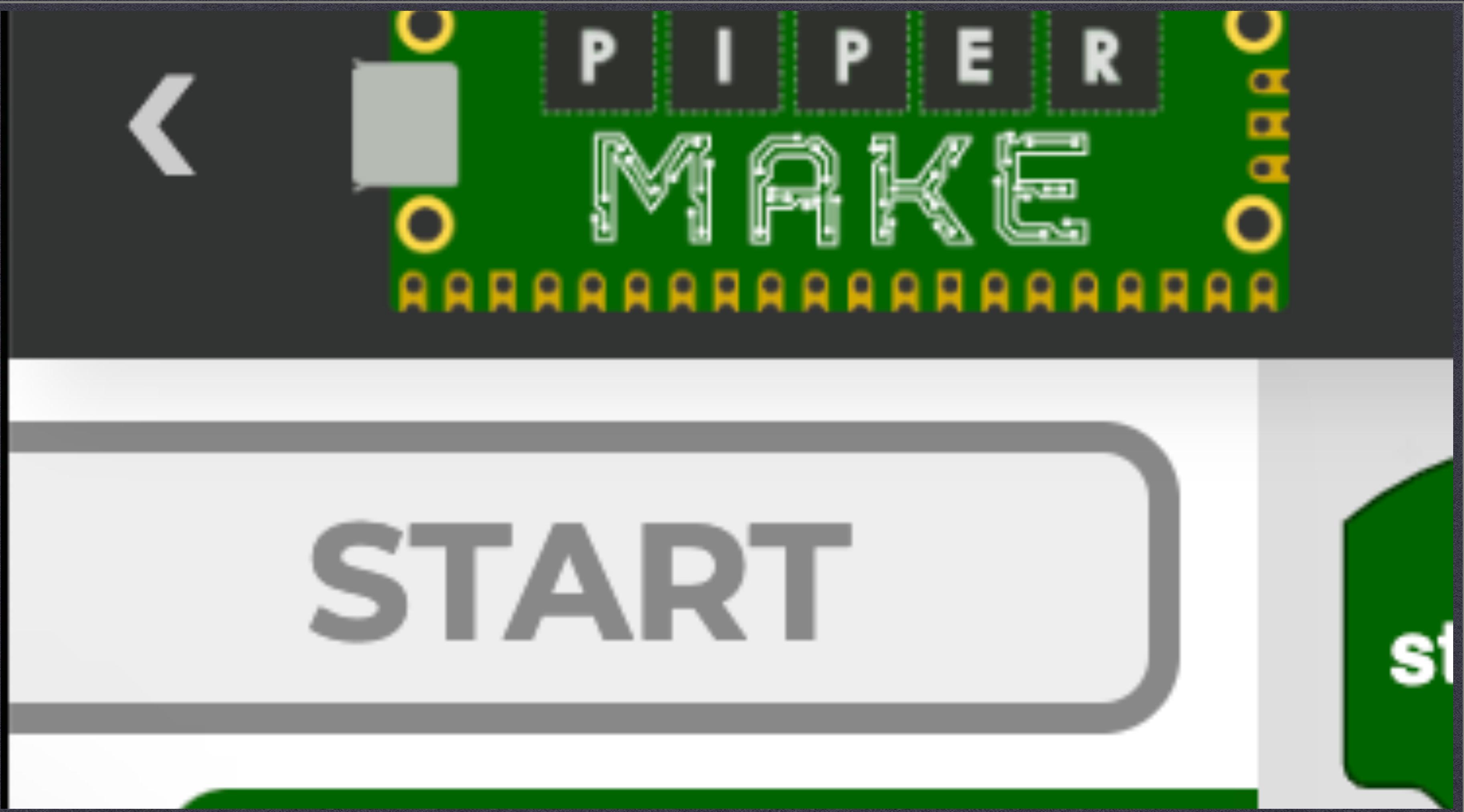
**IN THE LOWER LEFT CORNER**

**STEP**

**4**

**MATERIALS**

**MICROCONTROLLER / COMPUTER**



TASK

**CLICK “START” ON PIPER**

IN THE UPPER LEFT CORNER

STEP  
5

MATERIALS

**MICROCONTROLLER / COMPUTER**



TASK

**WAIT AND SEE WHAT  
(IF THERE IS NOT A RESPONSE, ASK FOR HELP)**

STEP

6

MATERIALS

**MICROCONTROLLER / COMPUTER**