



## Introduction

Mark3 is a real-time development platform for AVR and ARM Cortex-M series microcontrollers written using C++. It features a fully-featured RTOS kernel, device drivers, and middleware, as well as a suite of examples and unit tests.

Due to being written in C++ for AVR using the GCC toolchain, it also integrates directly into Arduino, without additional modifications to the source.

## Directory Layout

|            |   |
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| arduino    | Scripts and staging directory for exporting Mark3 for Arduino |
| bootloader | Source and makefiles for the Mark3 Bootloader                 |
| build      | Platform/variant/toolchain specific build configuration files |
| docs       | PDF and HTML documentaiton                                    |
| drivers    | Device driver libraries                                       |
| examples   | Application code examples                                     |
| export     | Source-code export folder, used by export scripts             |
| fonts      | Fonts converted from TTF to bitmapped, C++ library fonts      |
| kernel     | Main RTOS kernel code   |
| services   | Optional support libraries and middleware                     |
| scripts    | Build and test script folder                                  |
| stage      | Directory where binaries/headers are published at build       |
| tests      | Unit testing framework  |
| util       | Utility programs  |

## Building the source

To build the source, the Mark3 build system requires the following:

```
avr-gcc toolchain
```

```
make support
```

On debian-based distributions, such as Ubuntu, the avr toolchain can be installed using:

```
apt-get install avr-libc gcc-avr
```

On Windows, the toolchain is provided as part of AVRStudio. Please see the “Build System” section of the docs for instructions on configuring the system on Windows.

Once a sane build environment has been created, the kernel, libraries, examples and tests can be built by running `./scripts/build.sh` from the root directory. By default, Mark3 builds for the atmega328p target, although other supported targets can be configured through environment variables. See the `base.mak` makefile, and “Building the Kernel” in the docs for more information on configuring these variables.

## Supported targets

Currently, Mark3 supports the following parts:

```
atmega328p
atmega644
atmega1284p
atxmega256a3 (*experimental)
samd20 (cortex M0)
stm32f0 (cortex M0)
```

## Additional Documentation

Please see the doxygen documentation in the `./docs` folder for more information. A lot of work has gone into documenting the project, and that's the best place to start if you have any questions. The code examples are fairly comprehensive (as are the unit tests), so these should be referenced as necessary. And of course, the source is very well-documented, so don't be afraid to browse through it.

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