

# PinChangeInterrupt Library 1.2.6

```
PinChangeInterrupt_Led
1 #include "PinChangeInterrupt.h"
2
3 // choose a valid PinChangeInterrupt pin of your Arduino board
4 #define pinBlink 7
5
6 void setup() {
7     // set pin to input with a pullup, led to output
8     pinMode(pinBlink, INPUT_PULLUP);
9     pinMode(LED_BUILTIN, OUTPUT);
10
11     // attach the new PinChangeInterrupt and enable event function below
12     attachPCINT(digitalPinToPCINT(pinBlink), blinkLed, CHANGE);
13 }
14
15 void blinkLed(void) {
16     // switch Led state
17     digitalWrite(LED_BUILTIN, !digitalRead(LED_BUILTIN));
18 }
19
20 void loop() {
21     // nothing to do here
22 }
```

PinChangeInterrupt library with a resource friendly implementation (API and LowLevel).  
PinChangeInterrupts are different than normal Interrupts. See detail below.

## Features:

- PinChangeInterrupt for a lot of pins
- Rising, Falling or Change detection for every pin separately
- Usable on a lot Arduino compatible boards
- Implementation is fast, compact and resource friendly
- Ports/Pins can be manually deactivated in the Settings file
- API and LowLevel option
- Full Port0-3 support
- .a linkage optimization (Arduino IDE)



## Supported pins for PinChangeInterrupt:

See PCINT pin table at the bottom for more details.

Arduino Uno/Nano/Mini: All pins are usable

Arduino Mega: 10, 11, 12, 13, 50, 51, 52, 53, A8 (62), A9 (63), A10 (64),  
A11 (65), A12 (66), A13 (67), A14 (68), A15 (69)

Arduino Leonardo/Micro: 8, 9, 10, 11, 14 (MISO), 15 (SCK), 16 (MOSI)  
HoodLoader2: All (broken out 1-7) pins are usable  
Attiny 24/44/84: All pins are usable  
Attiny 25/45/85: All pins are usable  
Attiny 13: All pins are usable  
Attiny 441/841: All pins are usable  
ATmega644P/ATmega1284P: All pins are usable

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## Installation

Download the zip, extract and remove the "-master" of the folder. Install the library as described here.

This library can also be used with the DMBS AVR Library Collection and a pure makefile.

## How to use

It is important that you know at least the basic difference between **PinInterrupts** and **PinChangeInterrupts**. I will explain the basics of **PinChangeInterrupts** (PCINTs) based on an Arduino Uno.

On a standard Arduino Uno Pin 2 and 3 have **PinInterrupts**. Those are exclusively for a single pin and can detect RISING, FALLING and CHANGE.

**PinChangeInterrupts** instead are used for a whole port (they should have better named them PortChangeInterrupts) and can only detect CHANGE for a whole port. Each pin row (0-7, 8-13, A0-A5) represents a port. If an interrupt (ISR) occurs on one pin of a port it is still unclear what pin of the port caused this interrupt. Therefore this library saves the state of the whole port and compares with the last state. This way we can also see if it was a RISING or FALLING edge instead of only knowing the CHANGE.

A **PinChangeInterrupt** will only be triggered for the attached pins per port. Meaning if you set PCINT for a pin and another pin on the same port is changing a lot it will not interrupt your code.

**PinChangeInterrupts** might be a tiny bit slower and not that reliable because of that detection overhead (talking about micro seconds). Make sure to not use longer function calls inside the ISR or Serial print. You have the same issues on normal **PinInterrupts** and interrupts in general.

The library is coded to get maximum speed and minimum code size. The LowLevel example without the API takes 4uS to enter the interrupt function in the worst case which is pretty good and might be even better than the **PinInterrupt** code from the official Arduino core due to high optimization. If you need very precise interrupts you better use **PinInterrupts** without the Arduino IDE at all.

## Examples

To see how the code works just check the Led and TickTock example. The LowLevel example is for advanced users with more optimization and more direct access. The HowItWorks example shows the basic PinChangeInterrupt setup and decoding routine, similar to the library. See the notes in the examples about more details.

An useful "real use" example of the PinChangeInterrupt library can be found here:<https://github.com/NicoHood/IRLremote>

## › API Reference

### › Attach a PinChangeInterrupt

```
// The pin has to be a PCINT number. Use the makro to convert a pin to a PCINT number.  
// Enables event functions which need to be defined in the sketch.  
// Valid interrupt modes are: RISING, FALLING or CHANGE  
attachPinChangeInterrupt(digitalPinToPinChangeInterrupt(pinTick), tick, RISING);  
  
// You can also input the PCINT number (see table below)  
attachPinChangeInterrupt(5, tock, FALLING);  
  
// PinChangeInterrupt can always be abbreviated with PCINT  
attachPCINT(digitalPinToPCINT(pinBlink), blinkLed, CHANGE);
```

### › Detach a PinChangeInterrupt

```
// Similar usage as the attachPCINT function.  
// Interrupts will no longer occur.  
detachPinChangeInterrupt(digitalPinToPinChangeInterrupt(pinTick));  
detachPinChangeInterrupt(5);  
detachPCINT(digitalPinToPCINT(pinTock));
```

### › Enable/Disable a PinChangeInterrupt

```
// Similar usage as the attachPCINT function.  
// Use this to temporary enable/disable the Interrupt  
disablePinChangeInterrupt(digitalPinToPinChangeInterrupt(pinTick));  
disablePinChangeInterrupt(5);  
disablePCINT(digitalPinToPCINT(pinBlink));  
  
// Enable the PCINT with the old settings again (function + mode)  
enablePinChangeInterrupt(digitalPinToPinChangeInterrupt(pinTick));  
enablePinChangeInterrupt(5);  
enablePCINT(digitalPinToPCINT(pinBlink));
```

### › Get Trigger on mode CHANGE

```
// Differentiate between RISING and FALLING on mode CHANGE.  
// Only use this in the attached interrupt function.
```

```
uint8_t trigger = getPinChangeInterruptTrigger(digitalPinToPCINT(pinTick));
if(trigger == RISING)
    // Do something
else if(trigger == FALLING)
    // Do something
else
    // Wrong usage (trigger == CHANGE)
```

## › LowLevel API

See LowLevel example for more details.

```
// Use the attach function as you are used to, just leave out the function name
attachPinChangeInterrupt(interruptBlink, CHANGE);

// LowLevel function that is called when an interrupt occurs for a specific PCINT.
// It is required to know the exact PCINT number, no Arduino pin number will work here.
void PinChangeInterruptEvent(5)(void) {
    // Do something
}
```

## › PinchangeInterrupt Table

Pins with \* are not broken out/deactivated by default. You may activate them in the setting file (advanced).

Each row section represents a port(0-3). Not all MCUs have all Ports/Pins physically available.

## › Official Arduinos

PCINT	Uno/Nano/Mini	Mega/2560	Leonardo/Micro	HL2 (8/16/32u2)
0	8 (PB0)	53 SS (PB0)	SS (PB0)*	0 SS (PB0)*
1	9 (PB1)	52 SCK (PB1)	SCK (PB1)	1 SCK (PB1)
2	10 SS (PB2)	51 MOSI (PB2)	MOSI (PB2)	2 MOSI (PB2)
3	11 MISO (PB3)	50 MISO (PB3)	MISO (PB3)	3 MISO (PB3)
4	12 MOSI (PB4)	10 (PB4)	8/A8 (PB4)	4 (PB4)
5	13 SCK (PB5)	11 (PB5)	9/A9 (PB5)	5 (PB5)
6	XTAL1 (PB6)*	12 (PB6)	10/A10 (PB6)	6 (PB6)
7	XTAL2 (PB7)*	13 (PB7)	11 (PB7)	7 (PB7)
8	A0 (PC0)	0 RX (PE0)*		(PC6)*
9	A1 (PC1)	15 RX3 (PJ0)*		(PC5)*
10	A2 (PC2)	14 TX3 (PJ1)*		(PC4)*
11	A3 (PC3)	NC (PJ2)*		(PC2)*
12	A4 SDA (PC4)	NC (PJ3)*		(PD5)*
13	A5 SDC (PC5)	NC (PJ4)*		
14	RST (PC6)*	NC (PJ5)*		
15		NC (PJ6)*		

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16	0 RX (PD0)	A8 (PK0)			
17	1 TX (PD1)	A9 (PK1)			
18	2 INT0 (PD2)	A10 (PK2)			
19	3 INT1 (PD3)	A11 (PK3)			
20	4 (PD4)	A12 (PK4)			
21	5 (PD5)	A13 (PK5)			
22	6 (PD6)	A14 (PK6)			
23	7 (PD7)	A15 (PK7)			
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## Atmel Attinys

PCINT	Attiny13	Attiny x4	Attiny x5	Attiny x41
-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
0	0 MOSI (PB0)	0 (PA0)	0 MOSI (PB0)	A0/D0 (PA0)
1	1 MISO (PB1)	1 (PA1)	1 MISO (PB1)	A1/D1 (PA1)
2	2 SCK (PB2)	2 (PA2)	2 SCK (PB2)	A2/D2 (PA2)
3	3 (PB3)	3 (PA3)	3 XTAL1 (PB3)	A3/D3 (PA3)
4	4 (PB4)	4 SCK (PA4)	4 XTAL2 (PB4)	A4/D4 (PA4)
5	5 RST (PB5)	5 MISO (PA5)	5 RST (PB5)	A5/D5 PWM (PA5)
6		6 MOSI (PA6)		A7/D7 PWM (PA6)
7		7 (PA7)		A6/D6 PWM (PA7)
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8		10 XTAL1 (PB0)*		A10/D10 XTAL1 (PB0)
9		9 XTAL2 (PB1)*		A9/D9 XTAL2 (PB1)
10		8 INT0 (PB2)*		A8/D8 PWM (PB2)
11		RST (PB3)*		RST (PB3)
12				
13				
14				
15				
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## Other Atmel MCUs

PCINT	ATmega644P/1284P
-----	-----
0	A0/D24 (PA0)
1	A1/D25 (PA1)
2	A2/D26 (PA2)
3	A3/D27 (PA3)
4	A4/D28 (PA4)
5	A5/D29 (PA5)
6	A6/D30 (PA6)
7	A7/D31 (PA7)
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8	0 (PB0)
9	1 (PB1)
10	2 INT2 (PB2)
11	3 PWM (PB3)

	12		4 SS/PWM	(PB4)	
	13		5 MOSI/PWM	(PB5)	
	14		6 MISO/PWM	(PB6)	
	15		7 SCK	(PB7)	
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	16		16 SCL	(PC0)	
	17		17 SDA	(PC1)	
	18		18 TCK	(PC2)	
	19		19 TMS	(PC3)	
	20		20 TDO	(PC4)	
	21		21 TDI	(PC5)	
	22		22	(PC6)	
	23		23	(PC7)	
	-----		-----		
	24		8 RX0	(PD0)	
	25		9 TX0	(PD1)	
	26		10 RX1/INT0	(PD2)	
	27		11 TX1/INT1	(PD3)	
	28		12 PWM	(PD4)	
	29		13 PWM	(PD5)	
	30		14 PWM	(PD6)	
	31		15 PWM	(PD7)	
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## , Developer Information

If a PinChangeInterrupt occurs it will determine the triggered pin(s). The library uses weak callback functions that are called for the triggered pins(s). This way we can easily skip not triggered pins (I looked at the assembler) and also implement a fast LowLevel version.

Also the order of the function execution is (normally) ordered from the lower pin number to the higher. Meaning pin 8 will be checked faster as pin 13 (Arduino Uno). Talking about micro seconds here! You can change the order in the settings. For example by default pin 0-3 have a low priority order than pin 4-7 (Arduino Uno). Because they are used for Serial and normal PinInterrupts. I don't expect anyone to use those pins at all with PCINT but at least the priority is lowered compared to the other pins.

The API takes those weak functions and just overwrites all of them and call the function pointers of the attached functions instead. This way the function can be changed at runtime and its also easier to integrate into other libraries. The function pointers take a bit flash though (LowLevel: 1526/18, API: 1790/58 for Led example).

You can get better performance and less code size if you deactivate the not used pins/ports manually in the settings file. This way only the needed pins get compiled and the code is optimized by the preprocessor. For a bit more comfortable/automatic optimization you can install the library into the core to get use of the .a linkage. This way only the used ports get compiled. So if you only use pins on a single port (eg 8-13) then only this port gets compiled. This only works with the core installation.

That's it! I hope you like the library. I tried to make it as simple and small as possible. Keep in mind that PCINTs are not useful for every project but in most cases the new PinChangeInterrupts may help you a lot.

## , Version History

### 1.2.6 Release (10.02.2018)

- \* Fix makefile compilation problems

### 1.2.5 Release (02.09.2017)

- \* Fixed makefile compilation
- \* Added support to disable pcint/port via `-DPCINT_DISABLE_PORT0` etc.
- \* Added ATtinyX313 support
- \* Fix ATmega1284P

### 1.2.4 Release (16.04.2016)

- \* Fixed Attinynx4/x5 Issue #8

### 1.2.3 Release (24.12.2015)

- \* Added Attiny441/841 support

### 1.2.2 Release (05.12.2015)

- \* Fixed initial value when enabled issue
- \* Enabled official `dot_a_linkage`
- \* Added Attiny13 support Issue #4
- \* Updated documentation
- \* Improved detaching function
- \* Improved attaching and enabling

### 1.2.1 Release (24.05.2015)

- \* Fix Attiny Issue #1
- \* Added enable/disable function
- \* Added `getPinChangeInterruptTrigger()` function
- \* Added to Arduino IDE library manager

### 1.2 Release (19.04.2015)

- \* Added weak interrupt function
- \* Improved interrupt function calls
- \* Fixed attach/detach array position when ports are deactivated
- \* Improved manual PCINT deactivation by user
- \* Improved definitions for different boards
- \* HoodLoader2 definition fixes
- \* Improved speed
- \* Improved specific boards
- \* Moved attach function to `.cpp` file
- \* Updated examples
- \* Added API and LowLevel
- \* Added Port3 support (ATmega644P/ATmega1284P)
- \* Added `PCINT_VERSION` definition

### 1.1 Release (06.12.2014)

- \* Added port deactivation

- \* Ram usage improvements for AVR's with <3 PCINT ports

#### 1.0 Release (04.12.2014)

- \* Added general PinChangeInterrupt functions
- \* Added support for most Arduino boards
- \* Added basic example
- \* Added an example with IRLremote

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