ADC / DAC

ECET 209 – Introduction to Microcontrollers

Overview

- Review Analog and Digital Converters
- Preview Lab #9
- Do a Group Activity

Digital vs. Analog

- Most values are analog in nature
  - Temperature
  - Speed
  - Position
  - Etc
- Digital systems are used to process information

Digital vs. Analog

- Digital systems are used to process info
  - Somehow need to convert an analog value into a digital value
  - Perform digital operations on the data
  - Somehow need to convert the digital results back into an analog quantity

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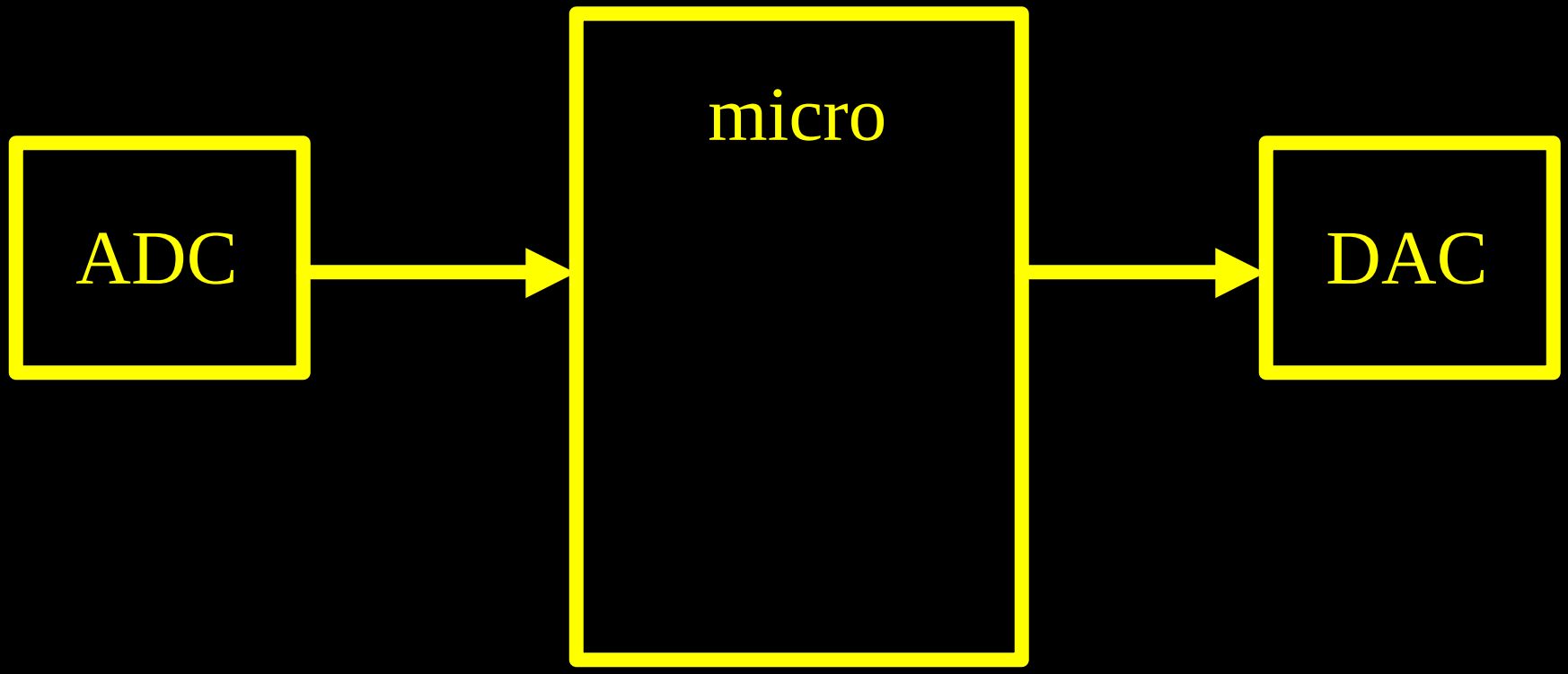
- A couple Major Examples
  - CD’s
  - MP3’s
  - DVD’s

Digital vs. Analog



ADC & DAC

- ADC – Analog to Digital Converter
- DAC – Digital to Analog Converter

- ADC and DAC operations are required at the input and output from a digital processing system that deals with analog quantities.

Digital Displays

- Digital displays are easier to read (by consumers)
- Accuracy of digital displays depends on the accuracy of the A/D conversion

Analog/Digital Characteristics

- Performance Criteria
  - Resolution
  - Sampling Rate
  - Speed
  - Linearity

Analog Interface Module

- Lab Hardware board for Analog applications
  - 8-bit Digital to Analog converter (AD558)
  - 10-bit Analog to Digital converter (AD573)
  - 0 to 10 volts
  - Pot to adjust the input analog voltage
  - Analog meter to display the analog input or output
  - Selector switches for input and the meter

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Vout = resolution * digital input

Analog to Digital Converter

- Takes an analog voltage and converts it to a digital value
- The AD573 is a 10-bit converter

- An analog value of 0 volts will produce a digital output of 0x000
- An analog value of 10 volts will produce a digital output of 0x3FF

Analog to Digital Converter

- Resolution of the ADC is:

  resolution = Vin_max / 2^10 – 1

  resolution = 10 / 1023

  0.009775 = 10 / 1023

  or approximately

  10mV per bit when using 10-bits of accuracy

Analog to Digital Converter

- Resolution is a function of the number of data bits in the result
- What if we only wanted 8-bits of data?

Analog to Digital Converter

- Resolution of the ADC is:

  resolution = Vin_max / 2^8 – 1

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  40mV per bit when using 8-bits of accuracy

8-bits vs. 10-bits

- The number of data bits is determined by the resolution requirements of the application
- The resolution has a direct impact on the accuracy of the system

10mV or 40mV

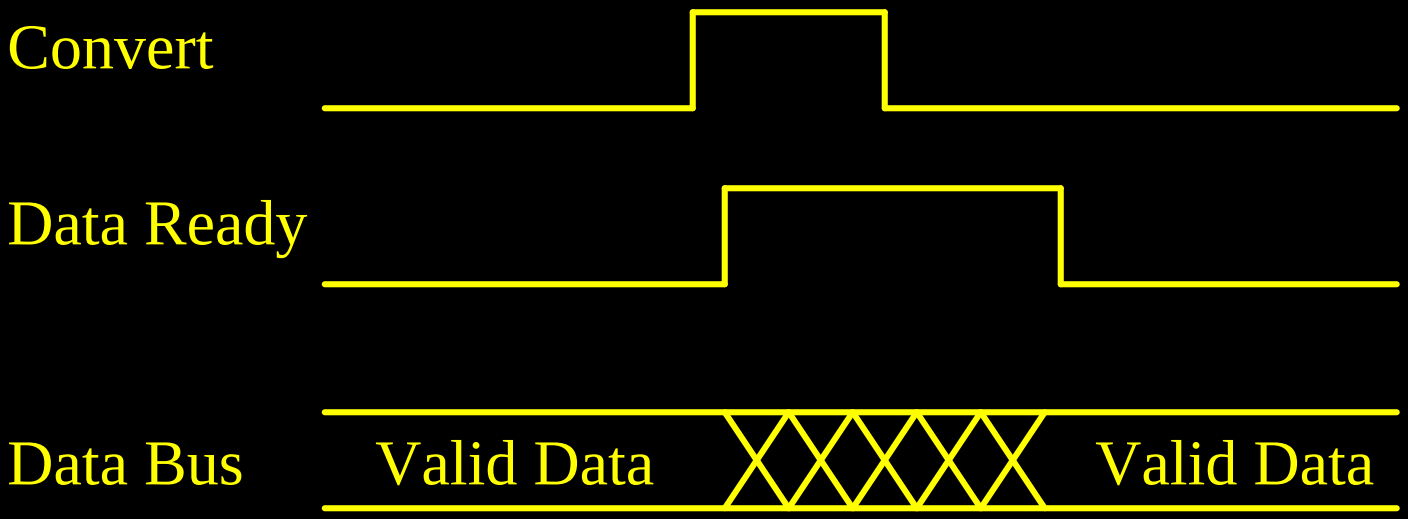
8-bits vs. 10-bits

- A system with 10-bits of data vs. a system with only 8-bits of data is 4 times more resolution.
- Remember, $2^{\wedge power}$
- In this case, the power is 2 and therefore the difference is a factor of 4.

Using the ADC

- *Most* ADC's require some type of "kick" to start the next conversion
- A *flag* will indicate the state or status of the current conversion
- The new data can be read only when the conversion has been completed

Timing Diagram for ADC



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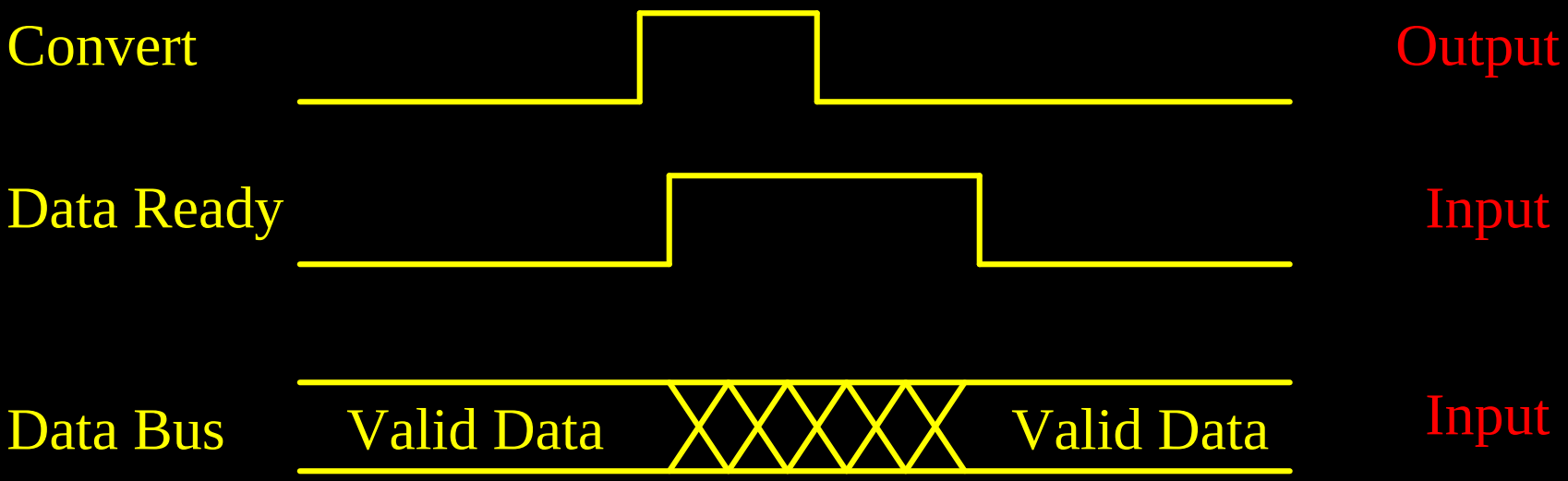

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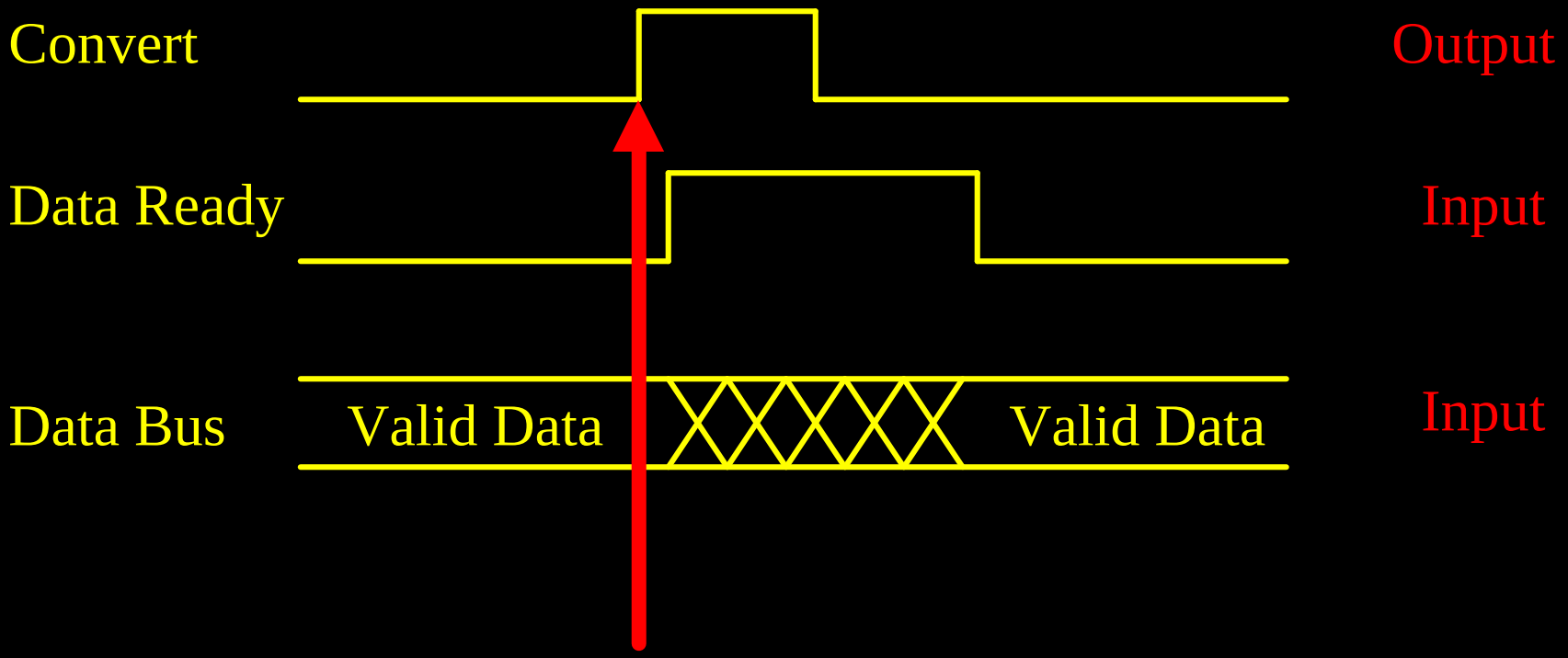

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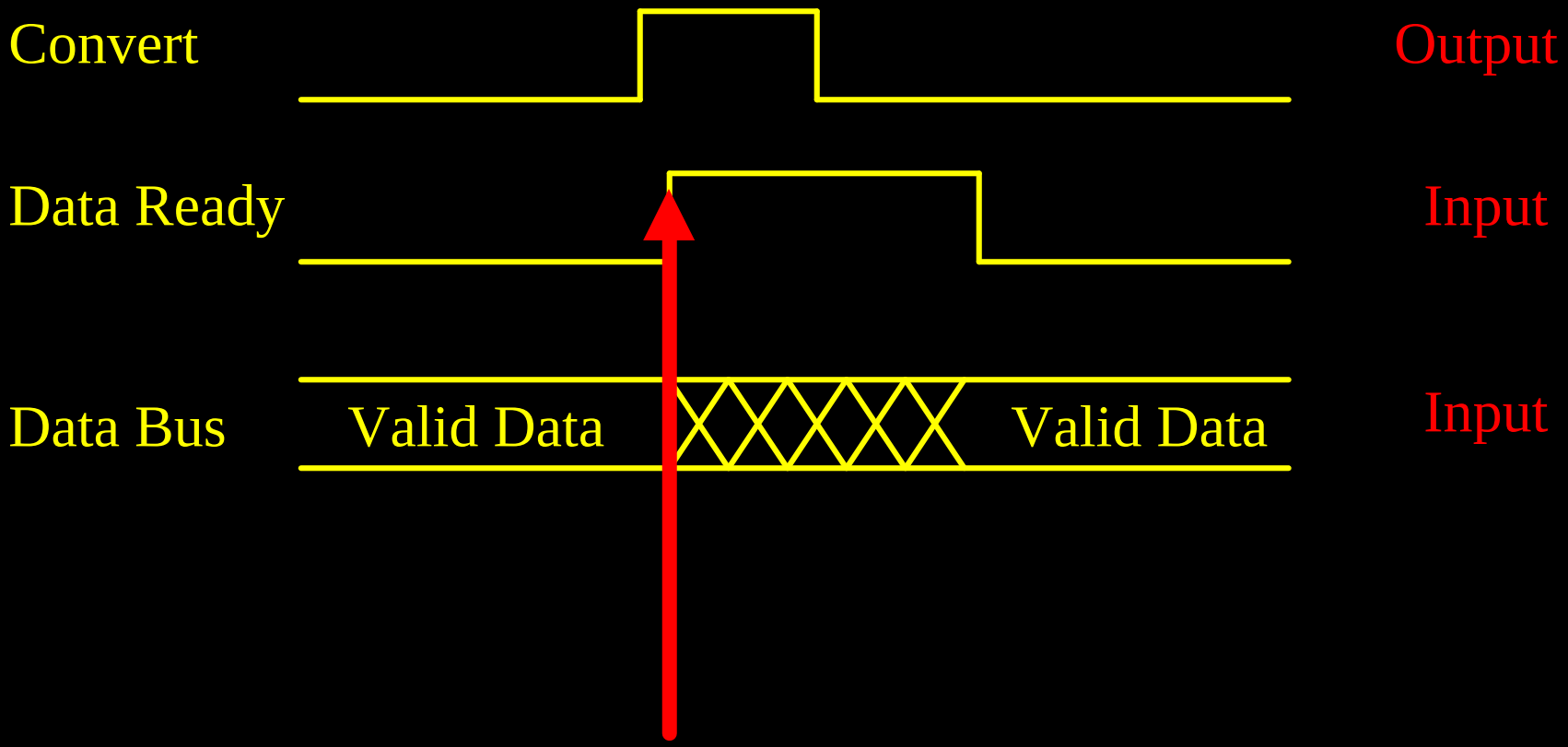

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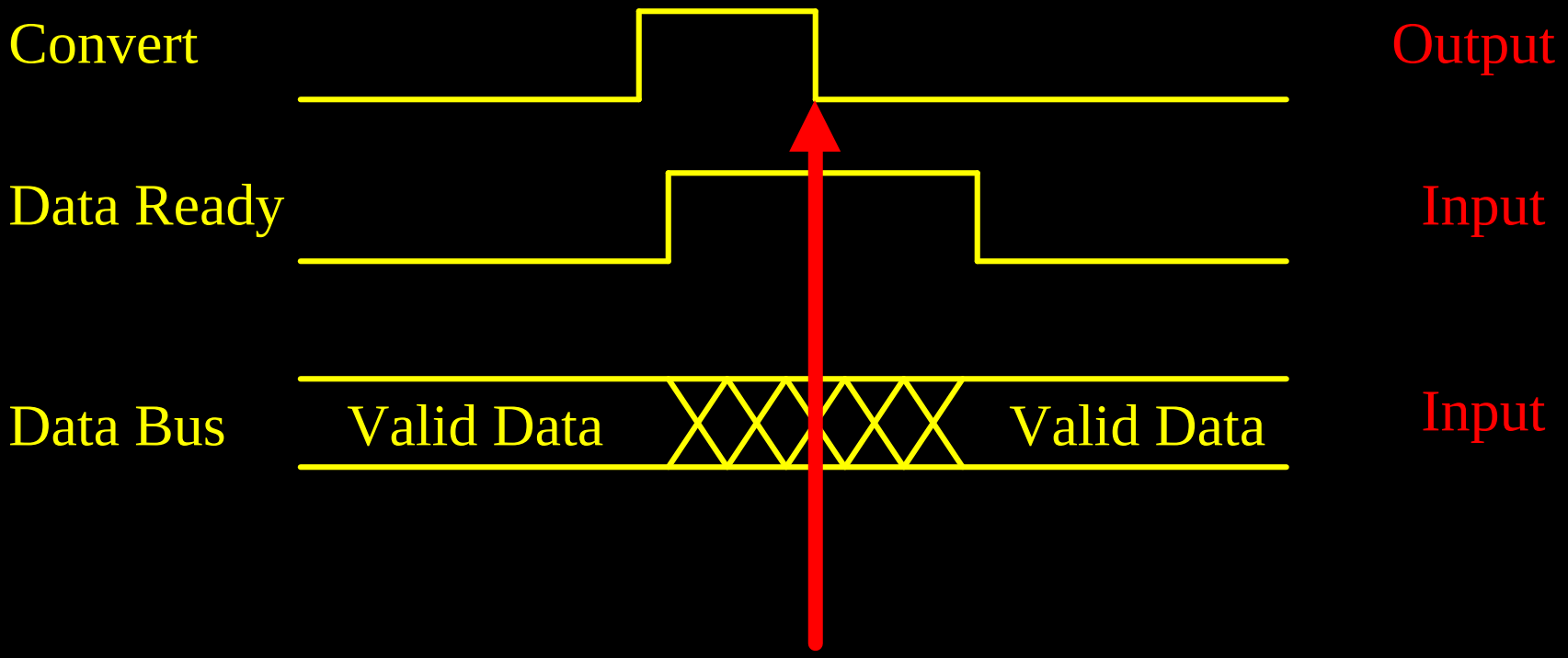

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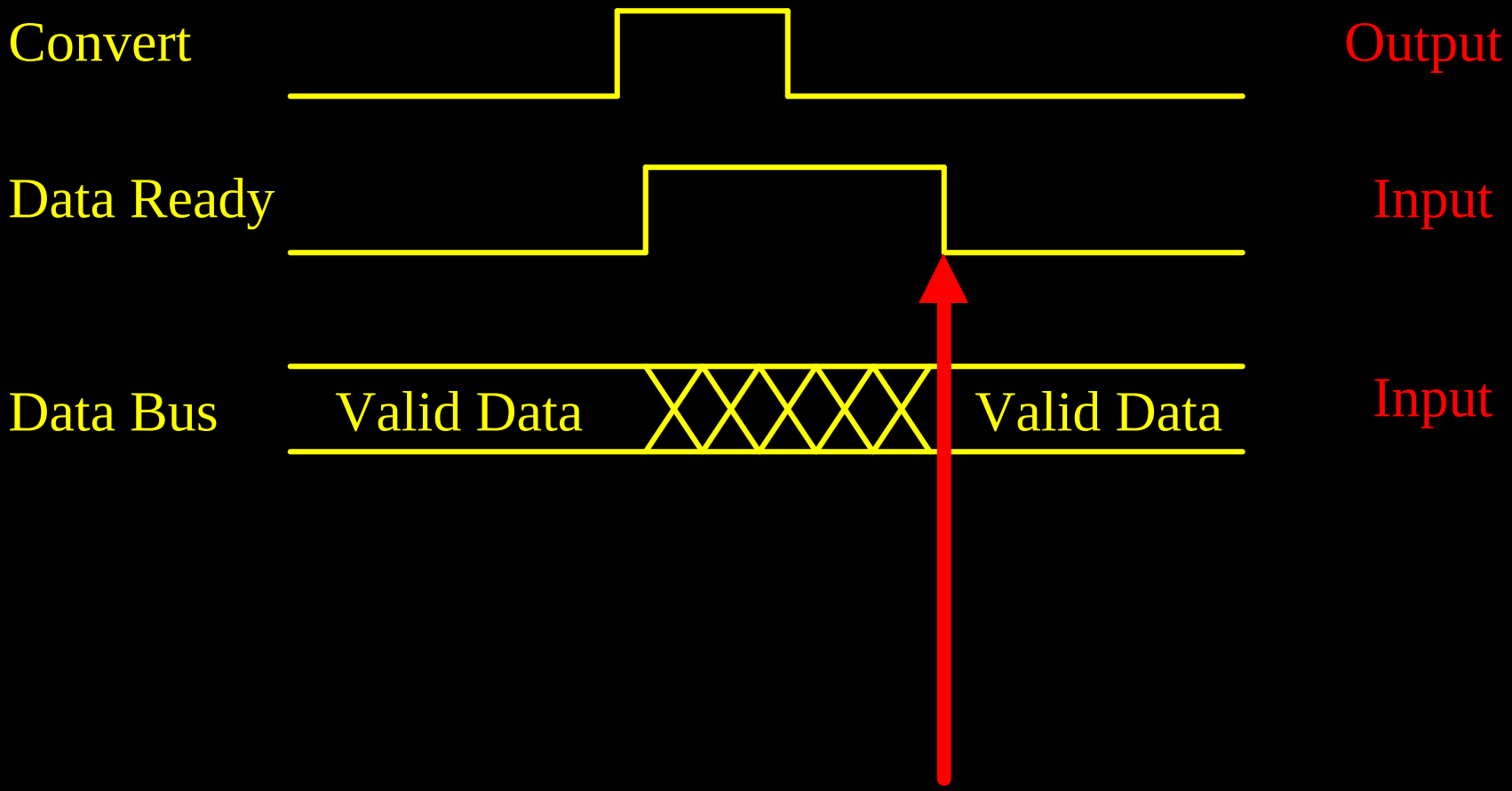

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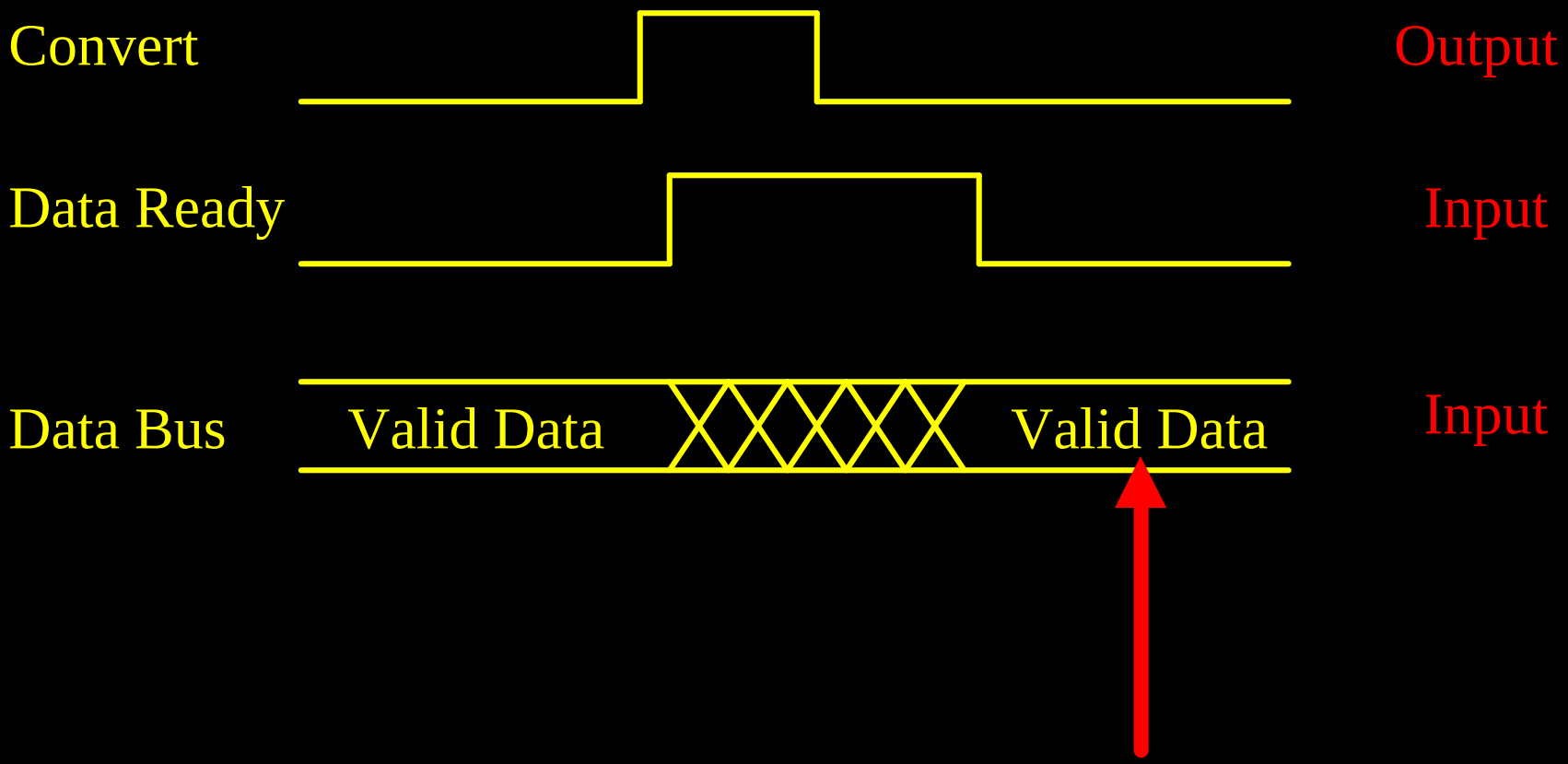

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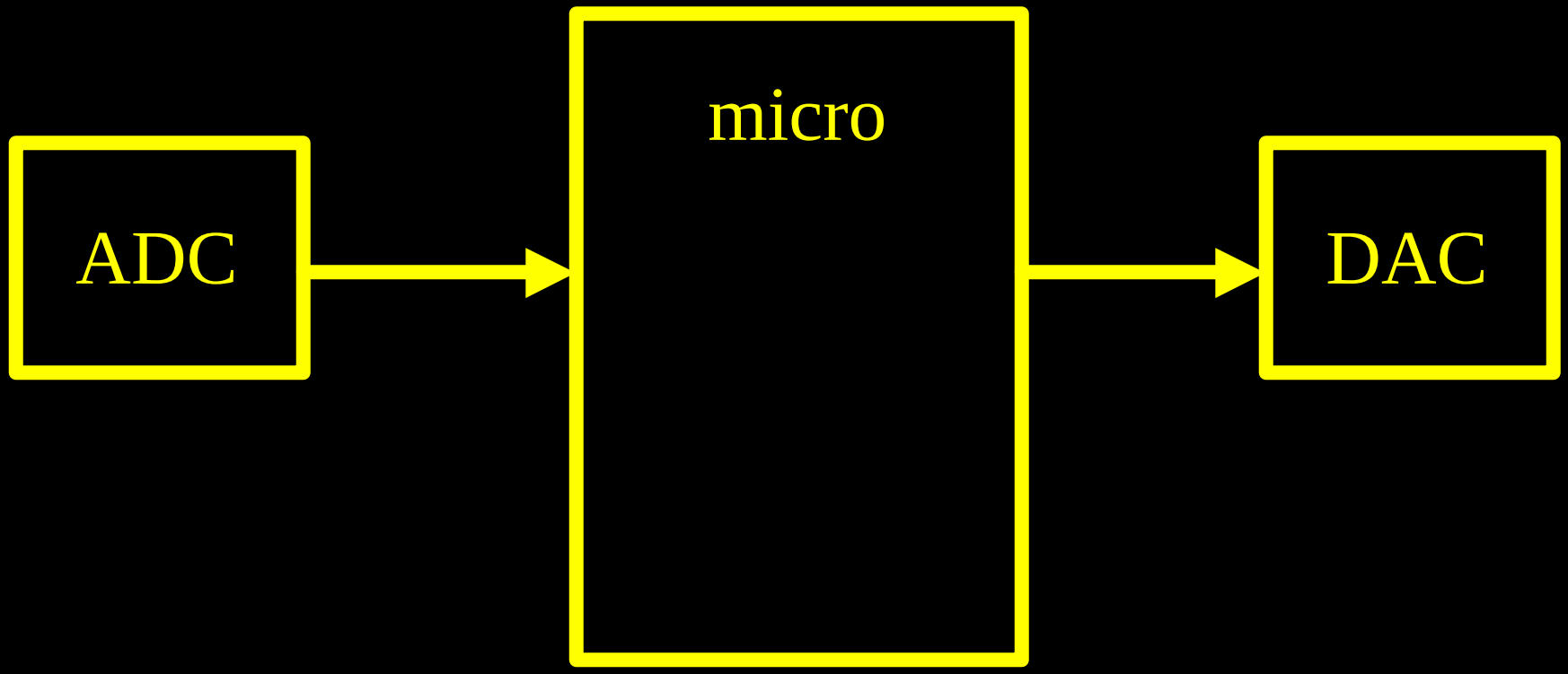

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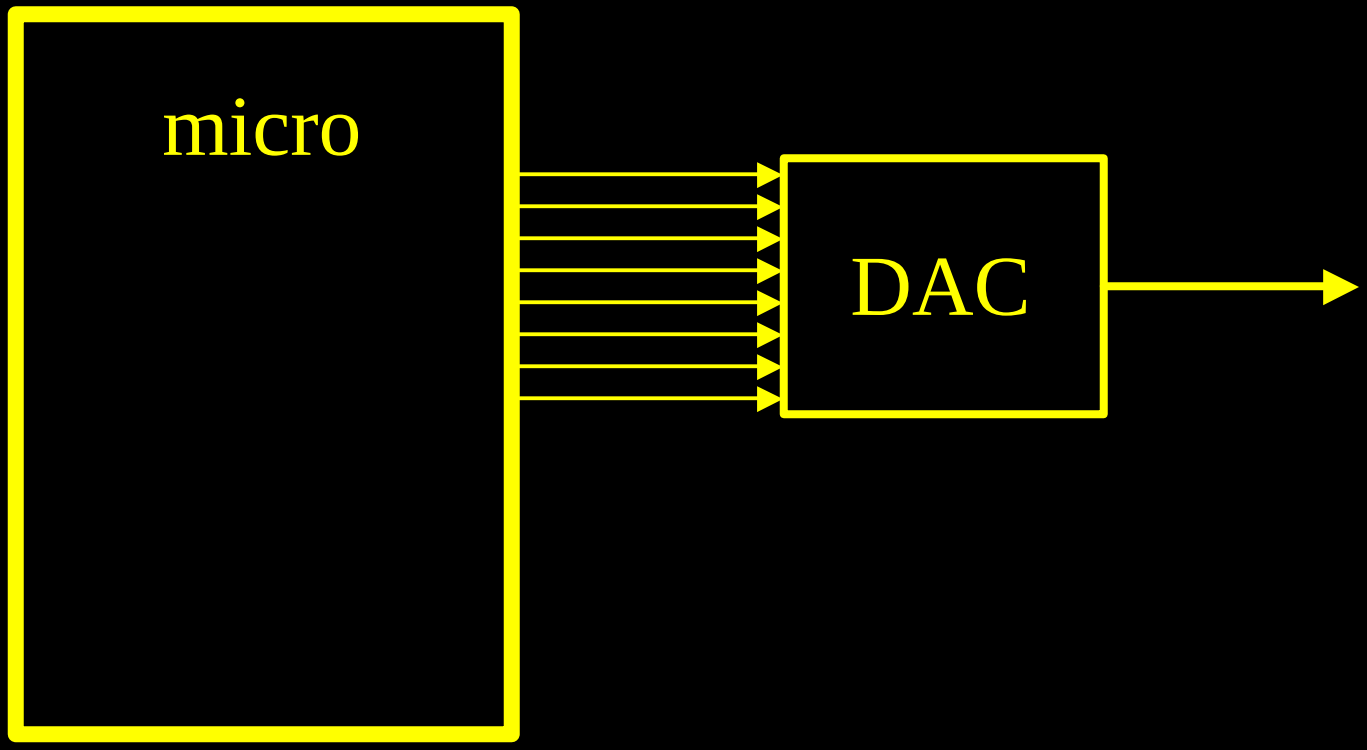

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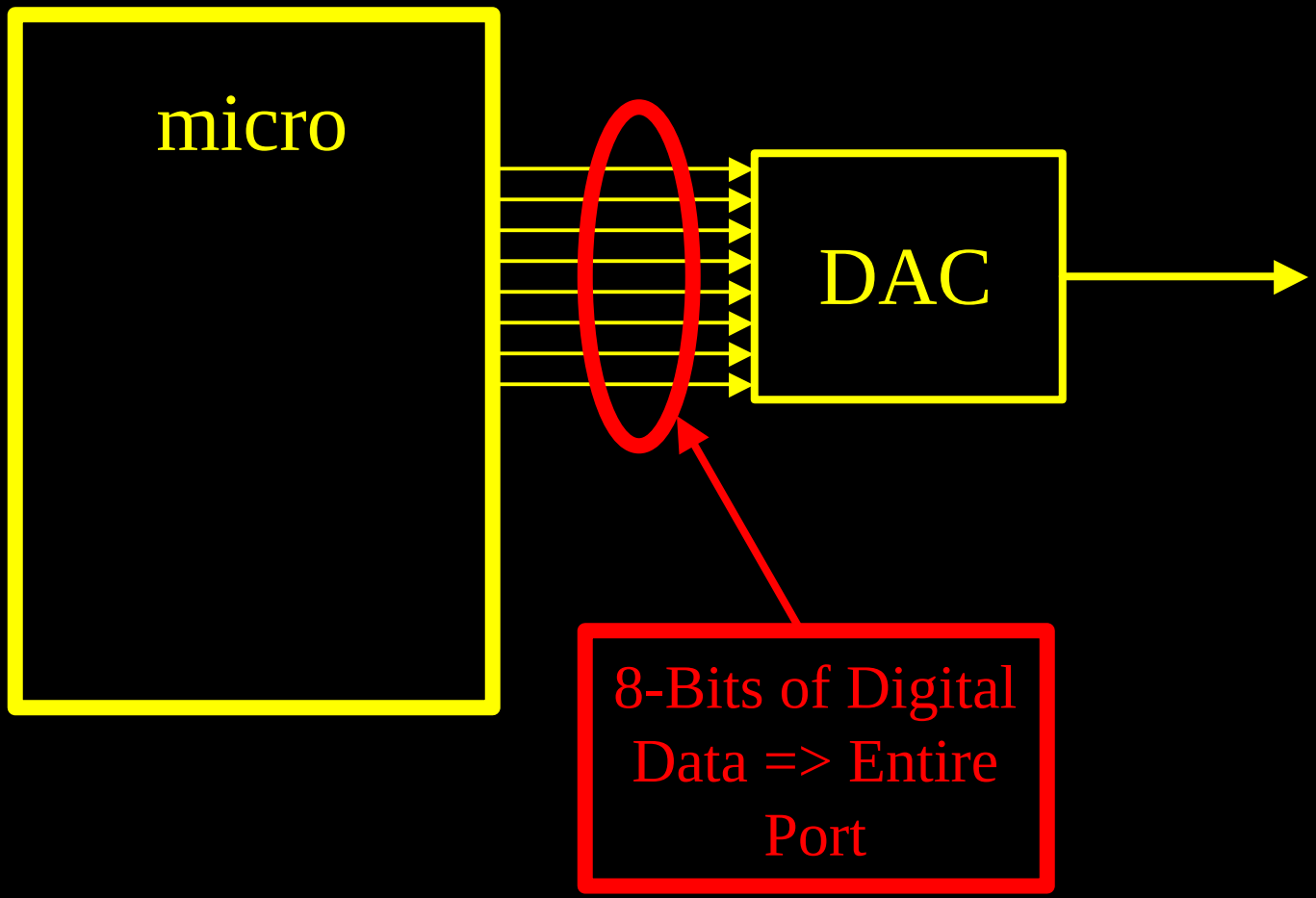

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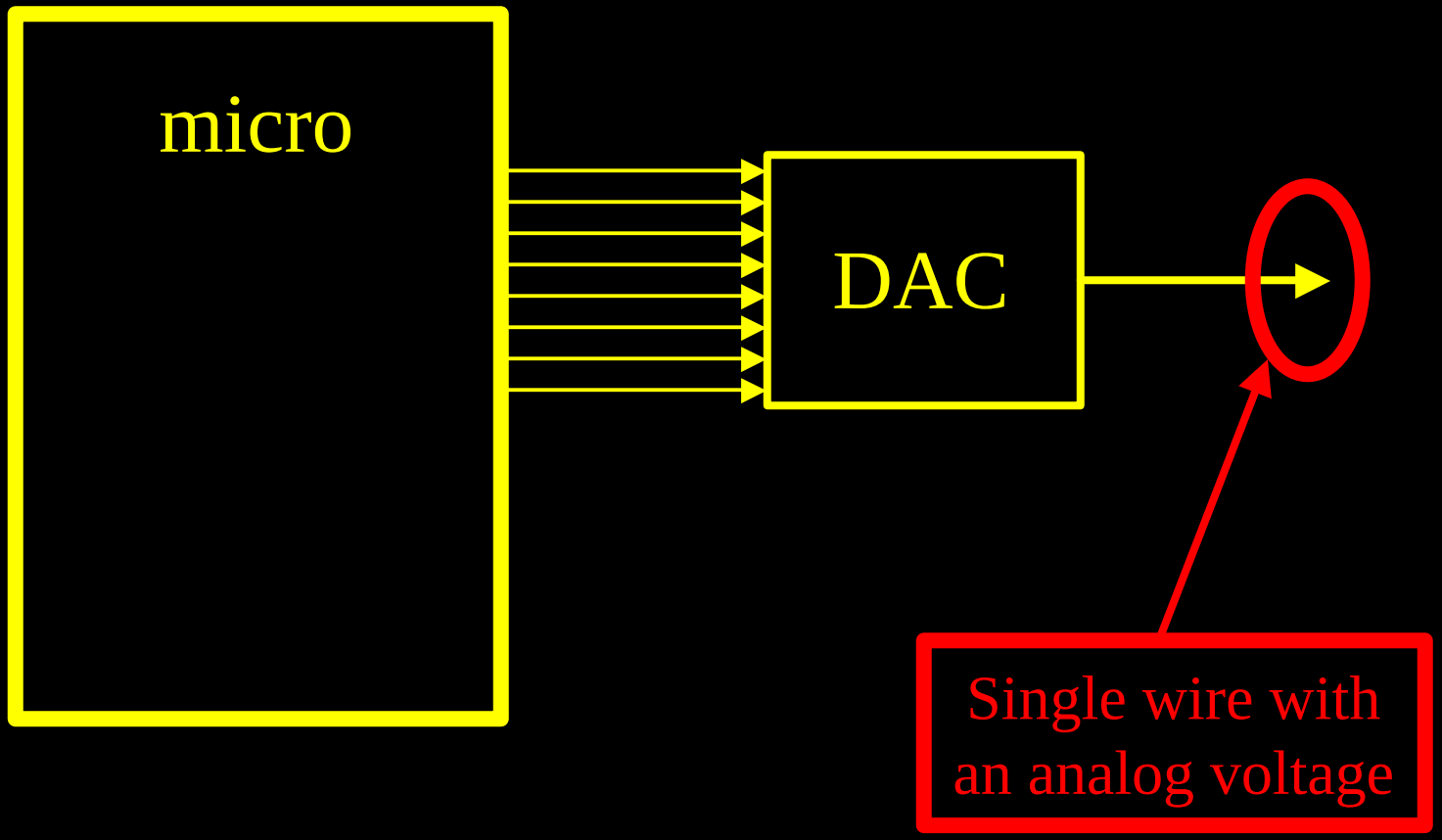

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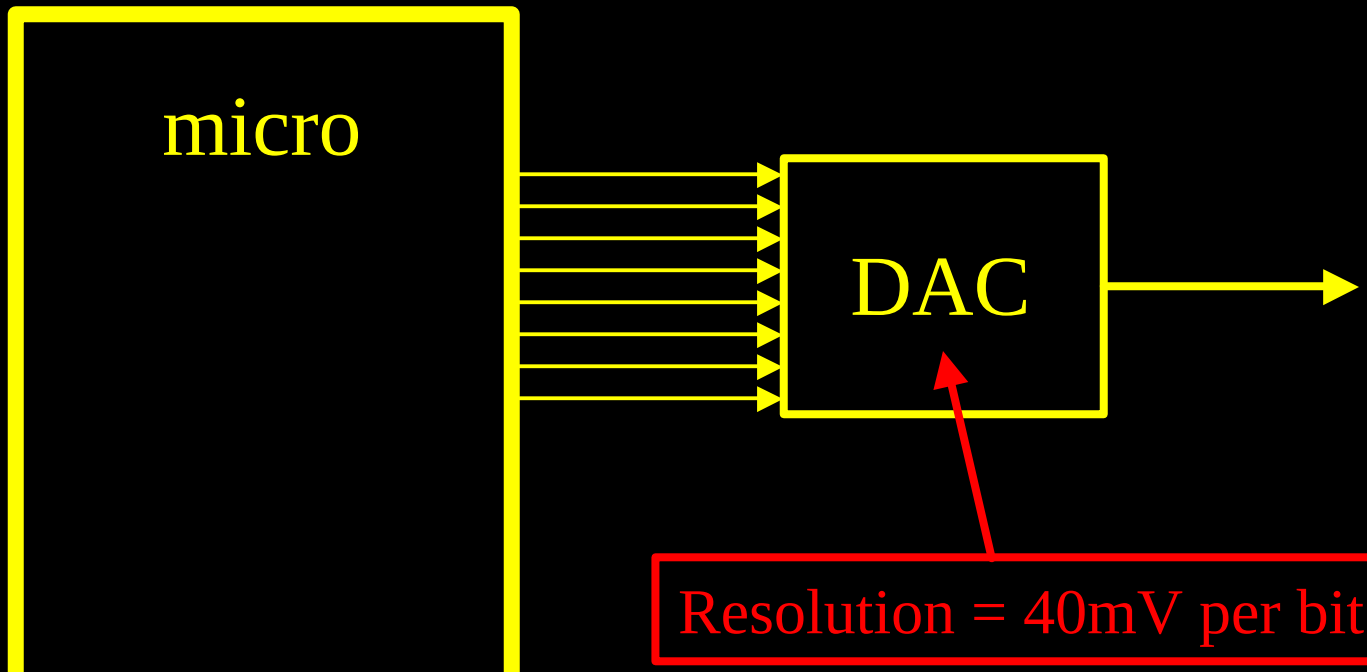

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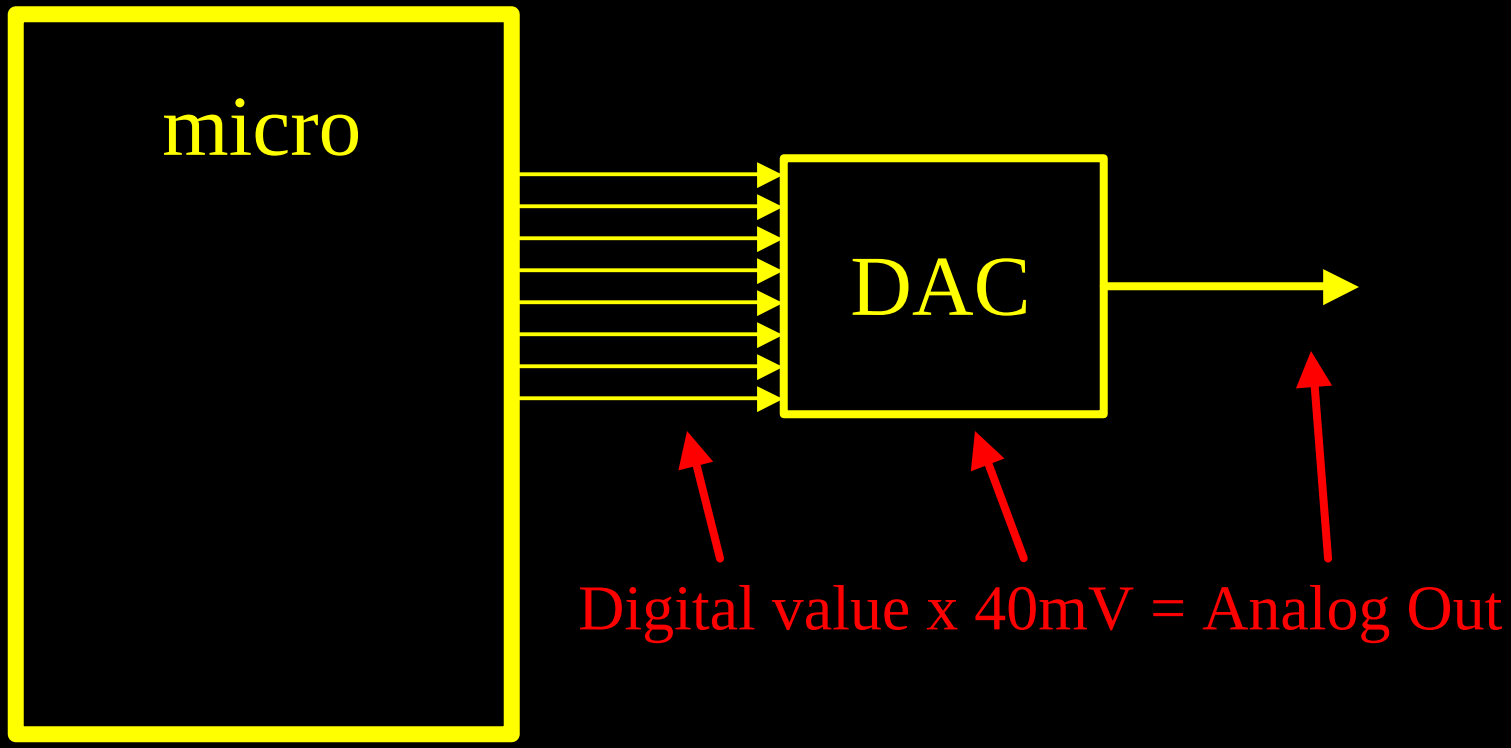

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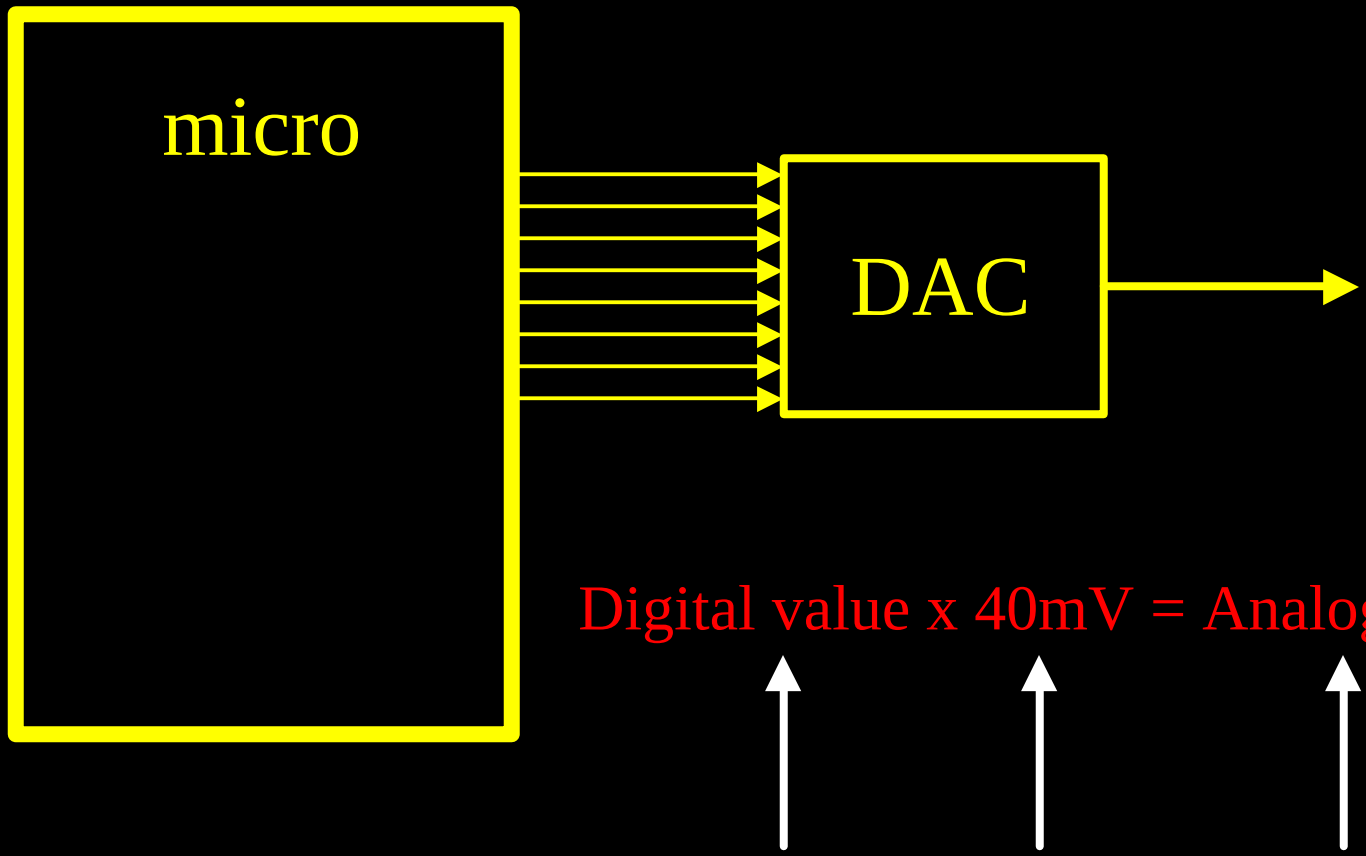

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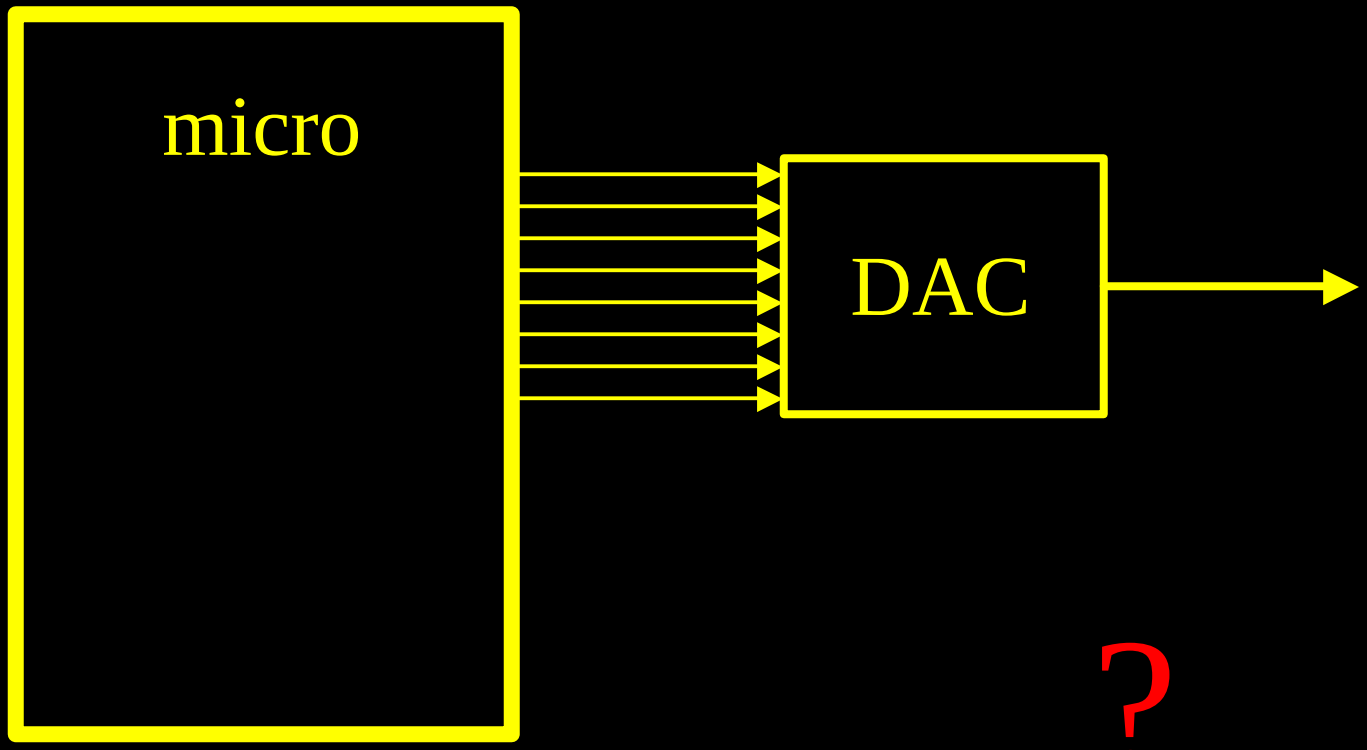

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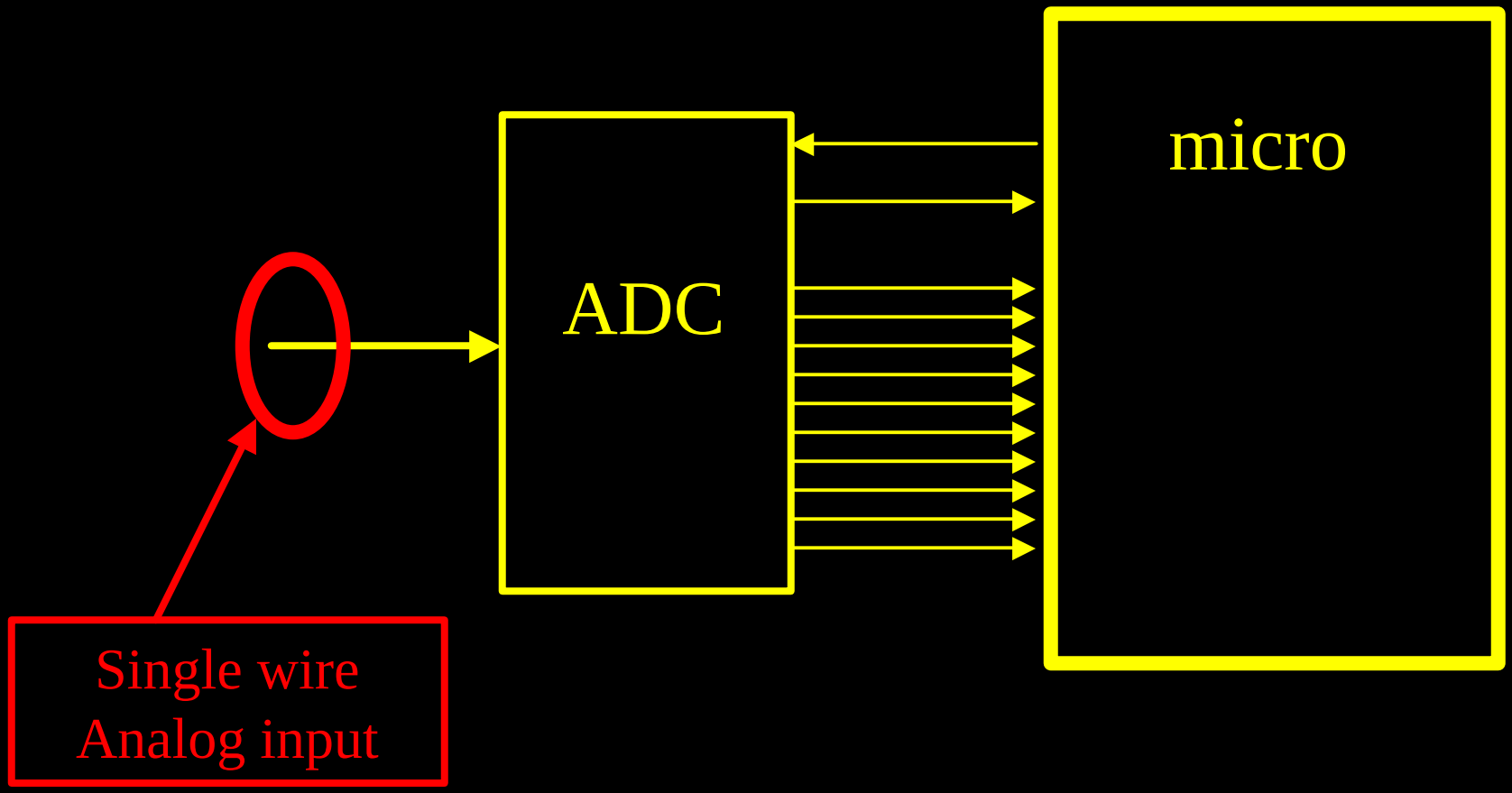

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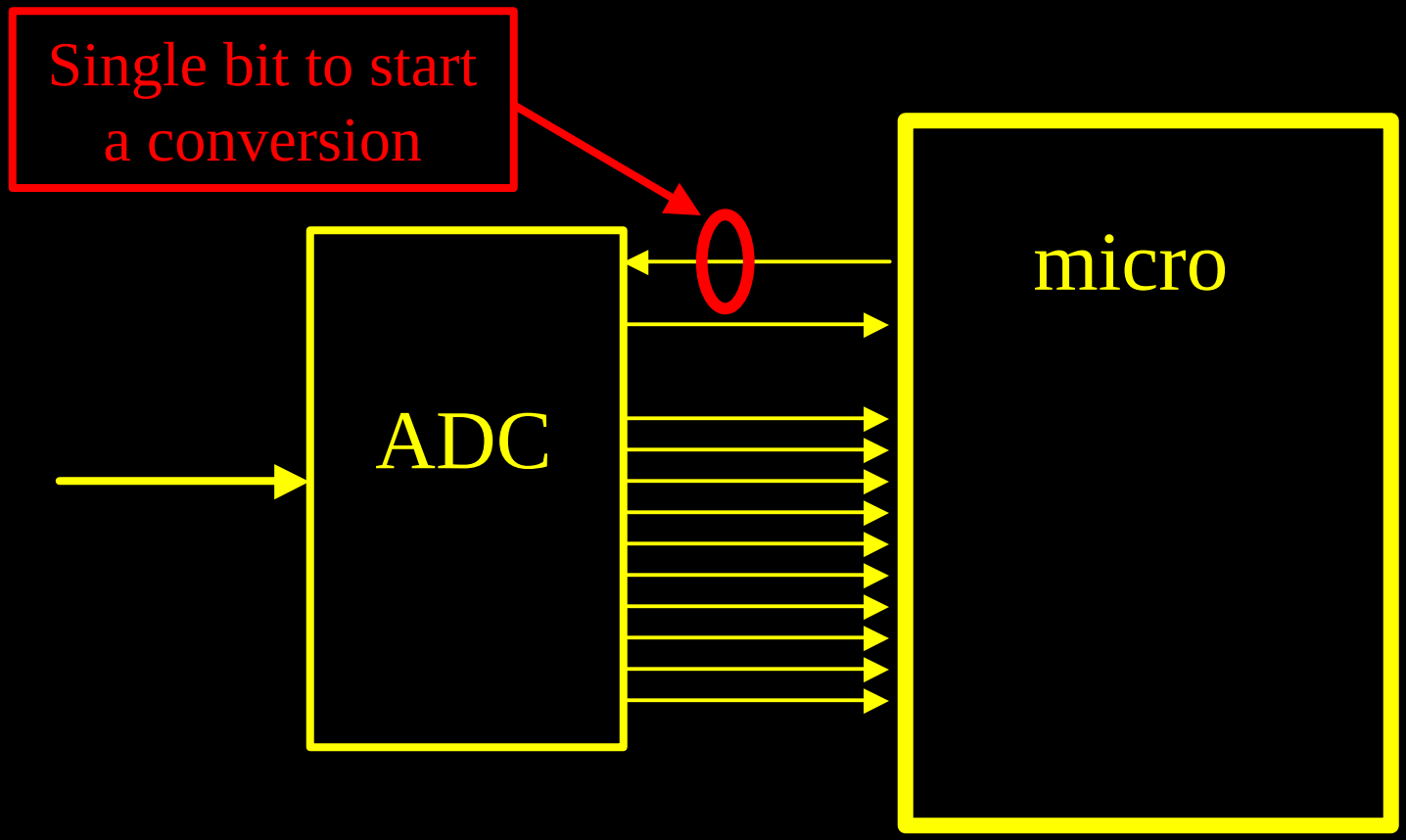

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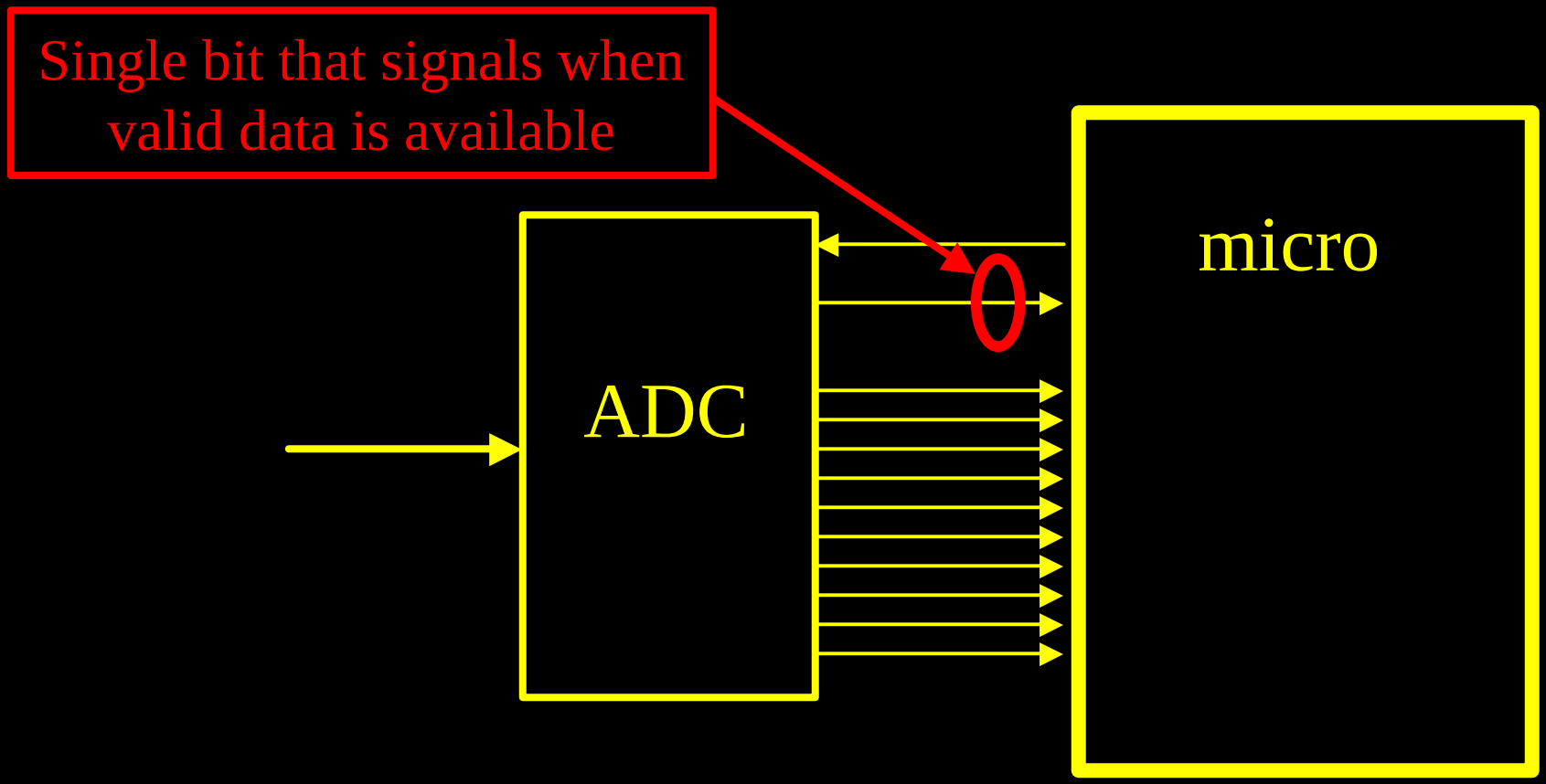

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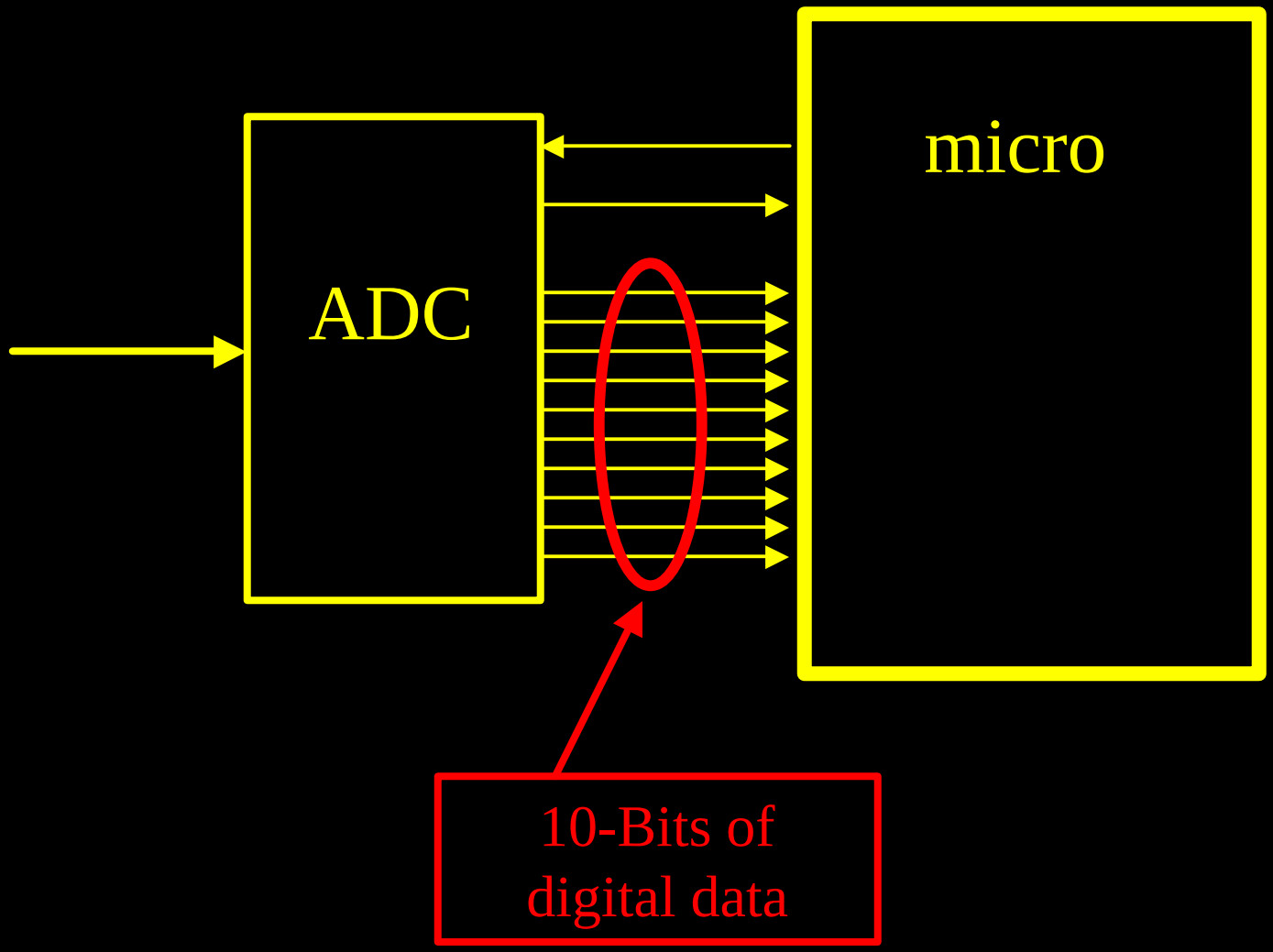

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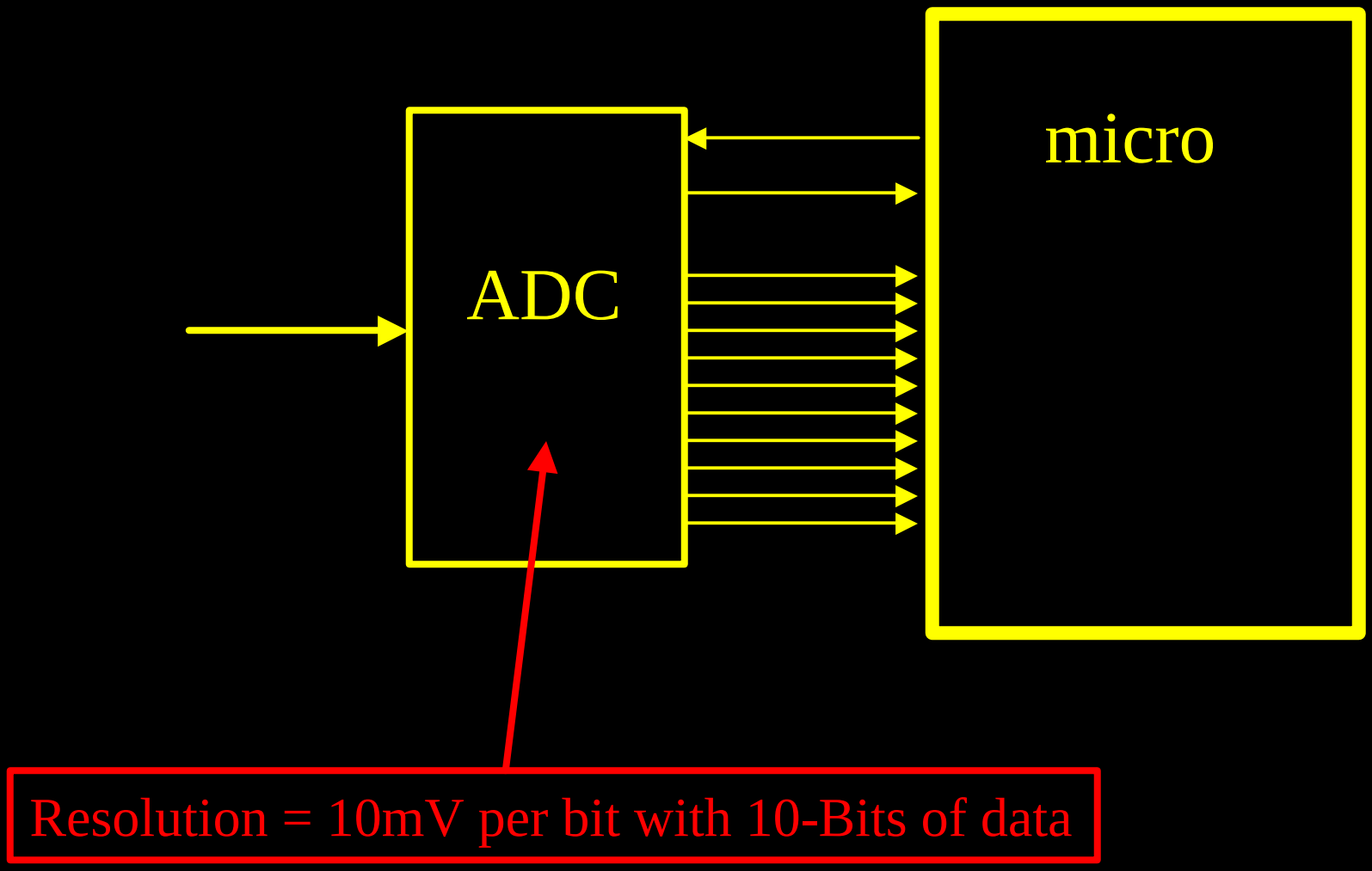

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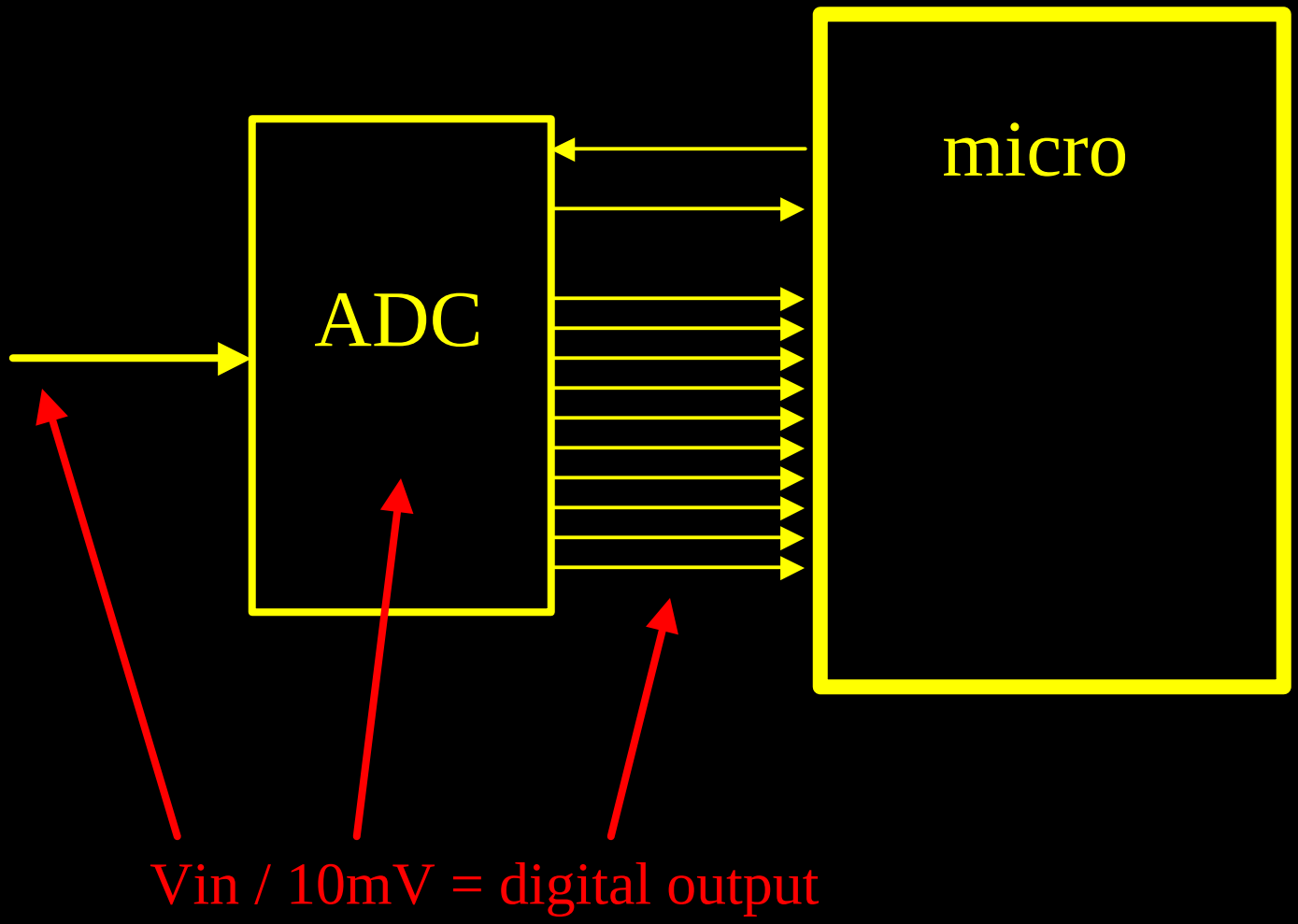

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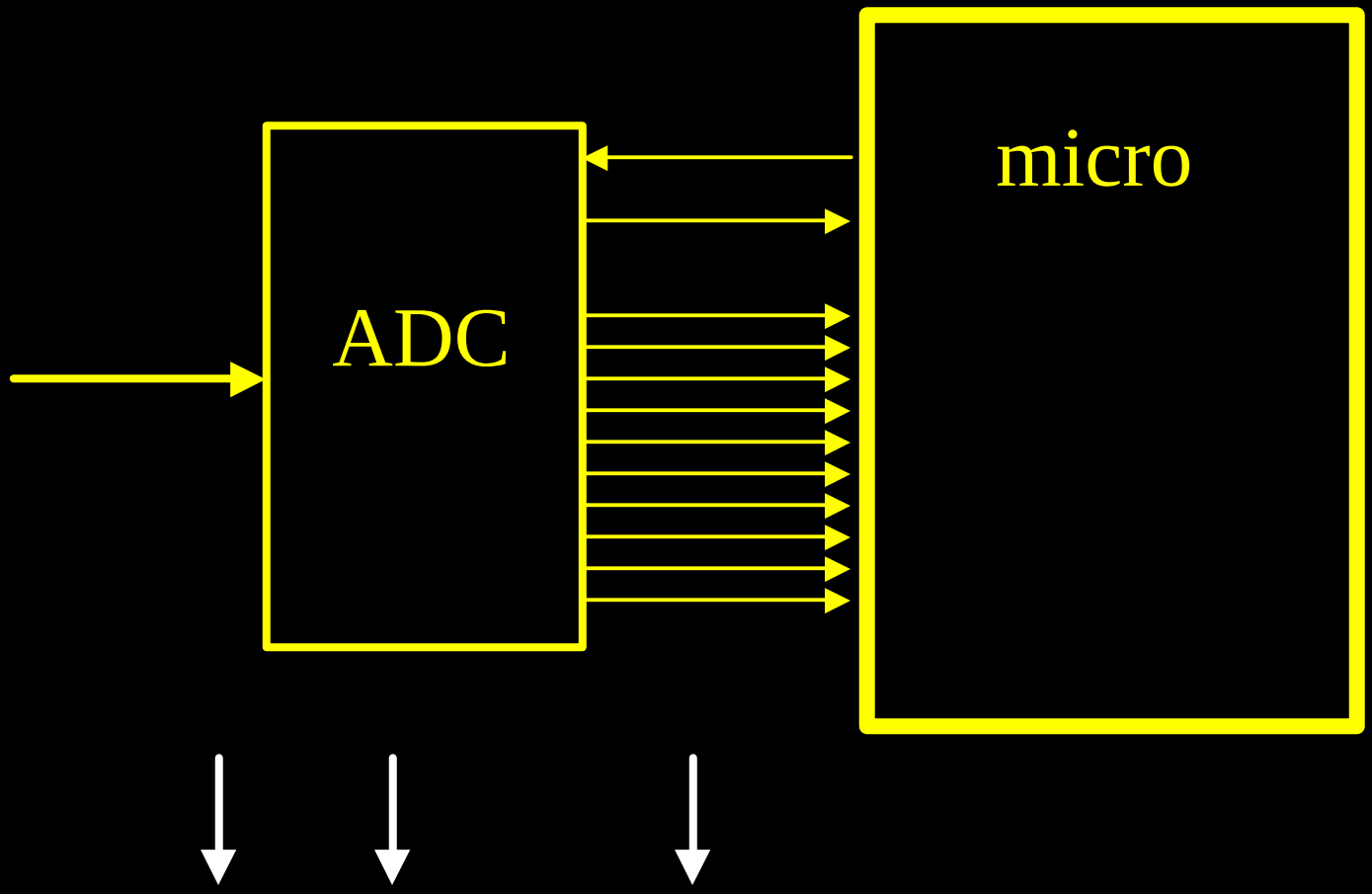

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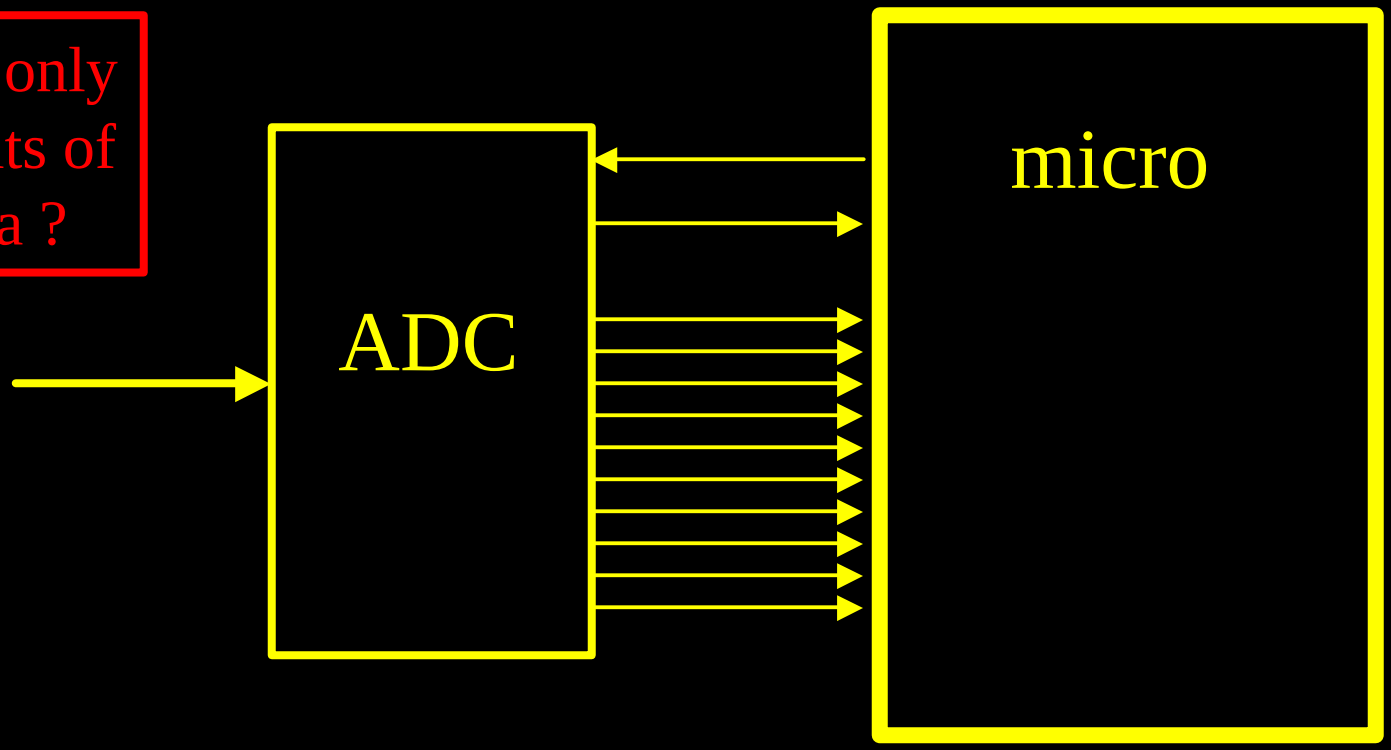

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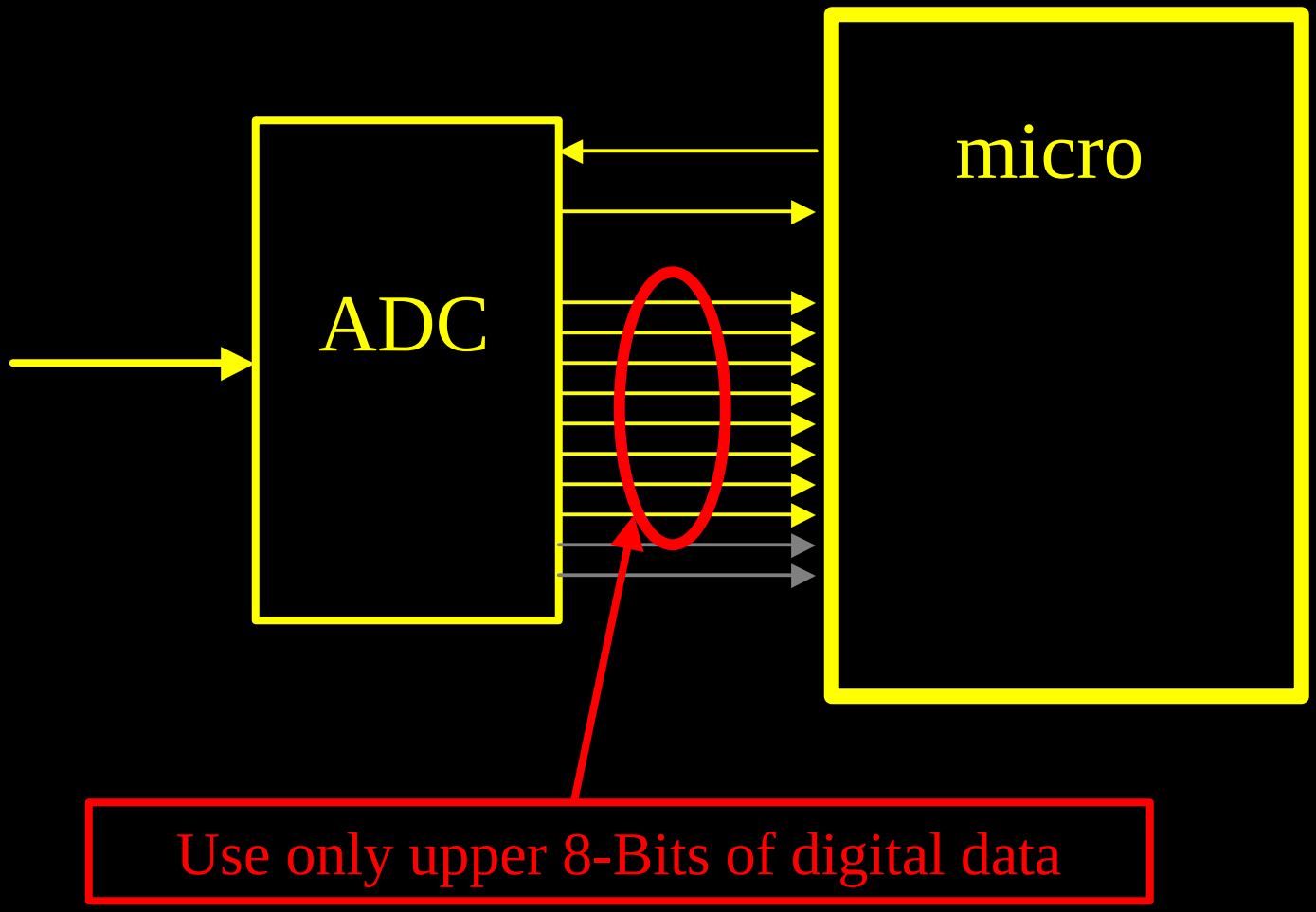

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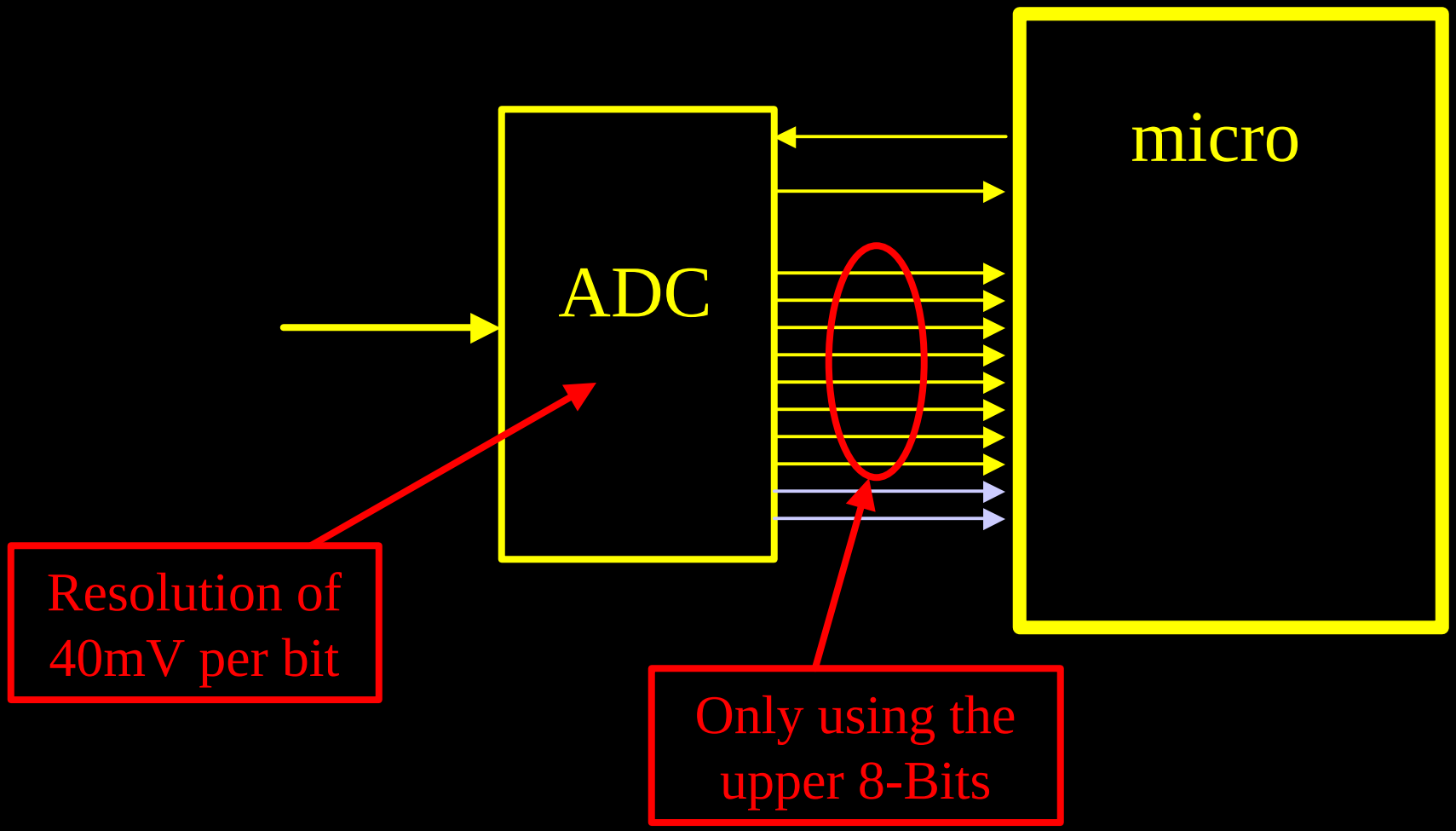

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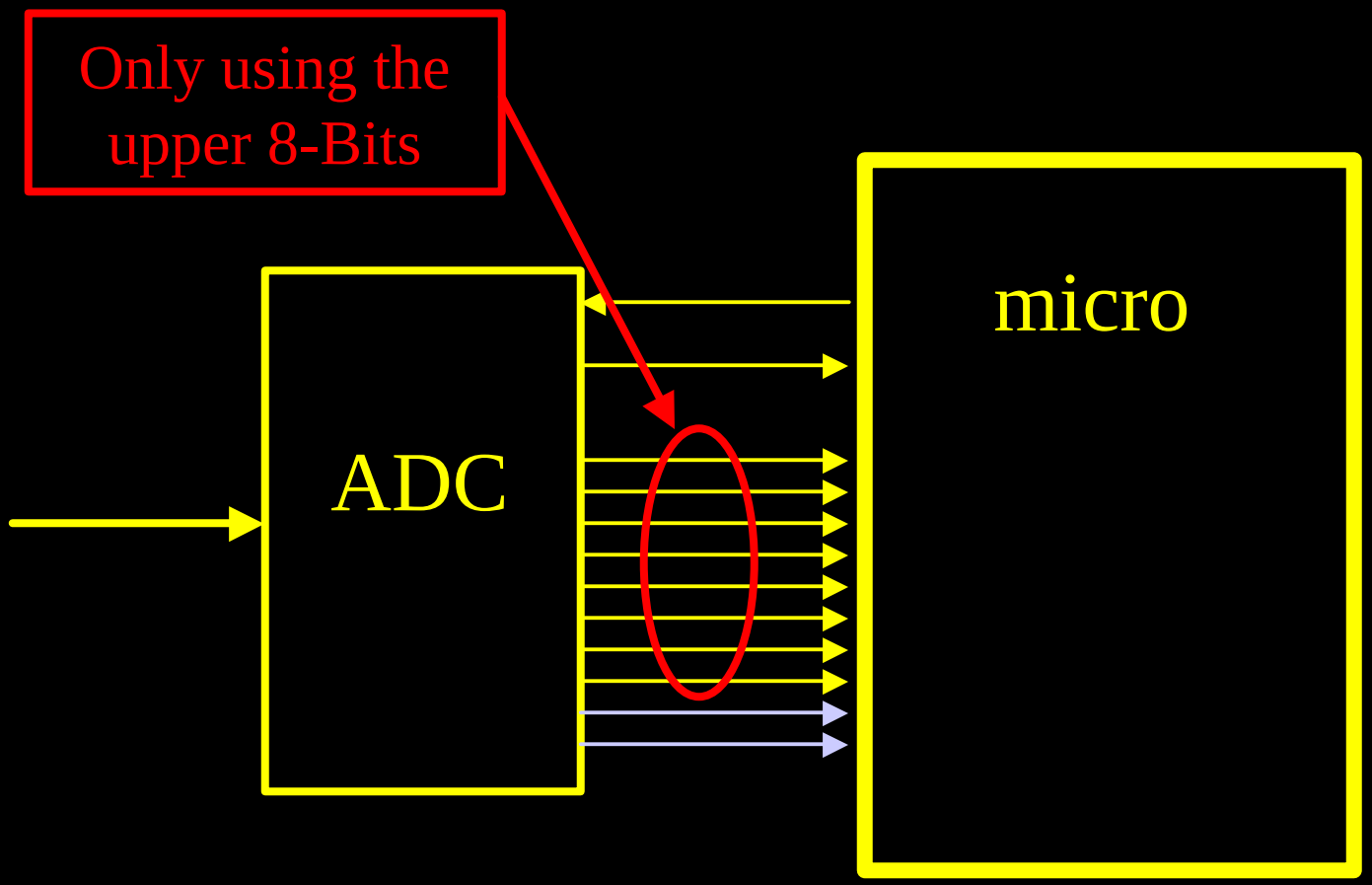

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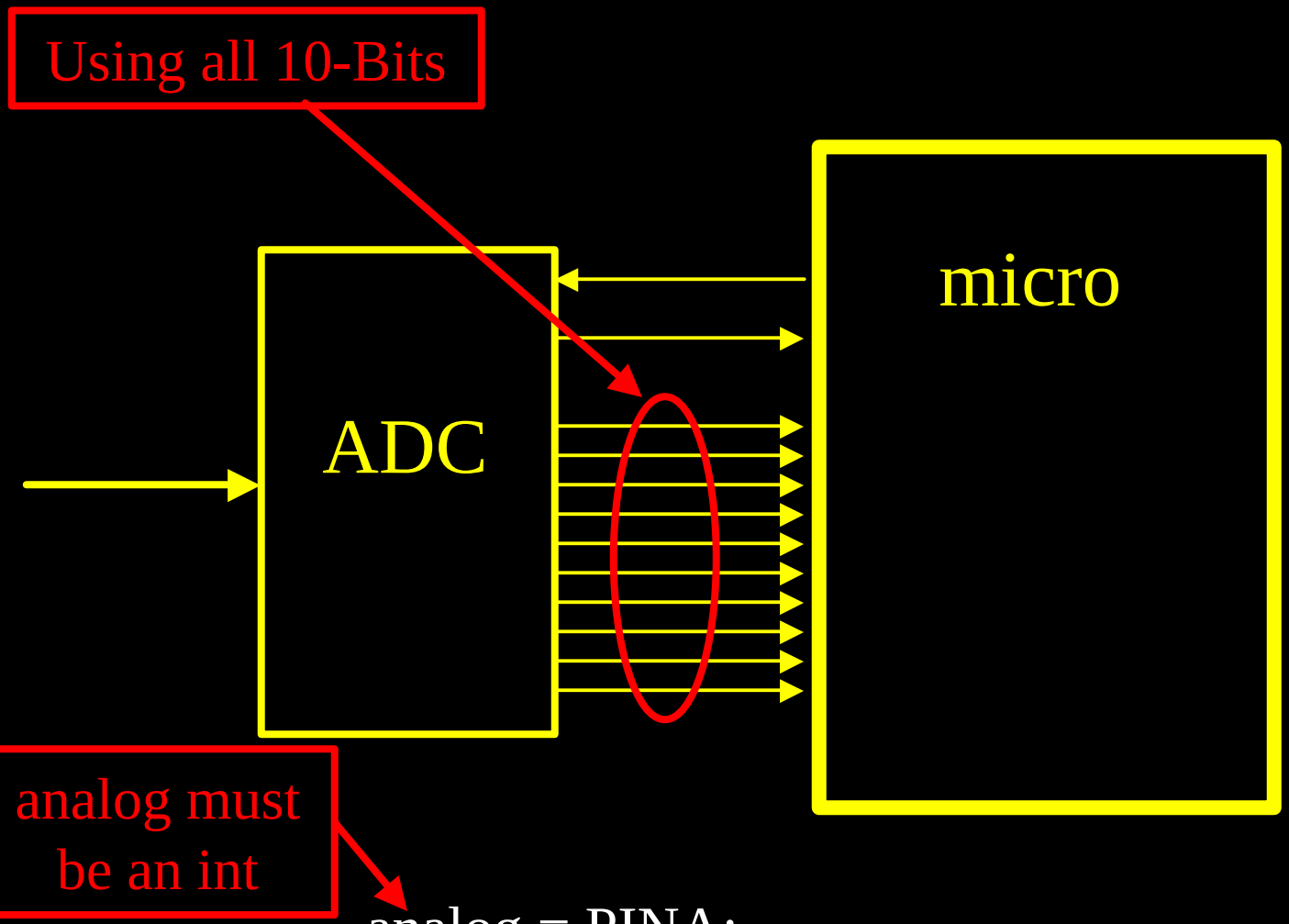

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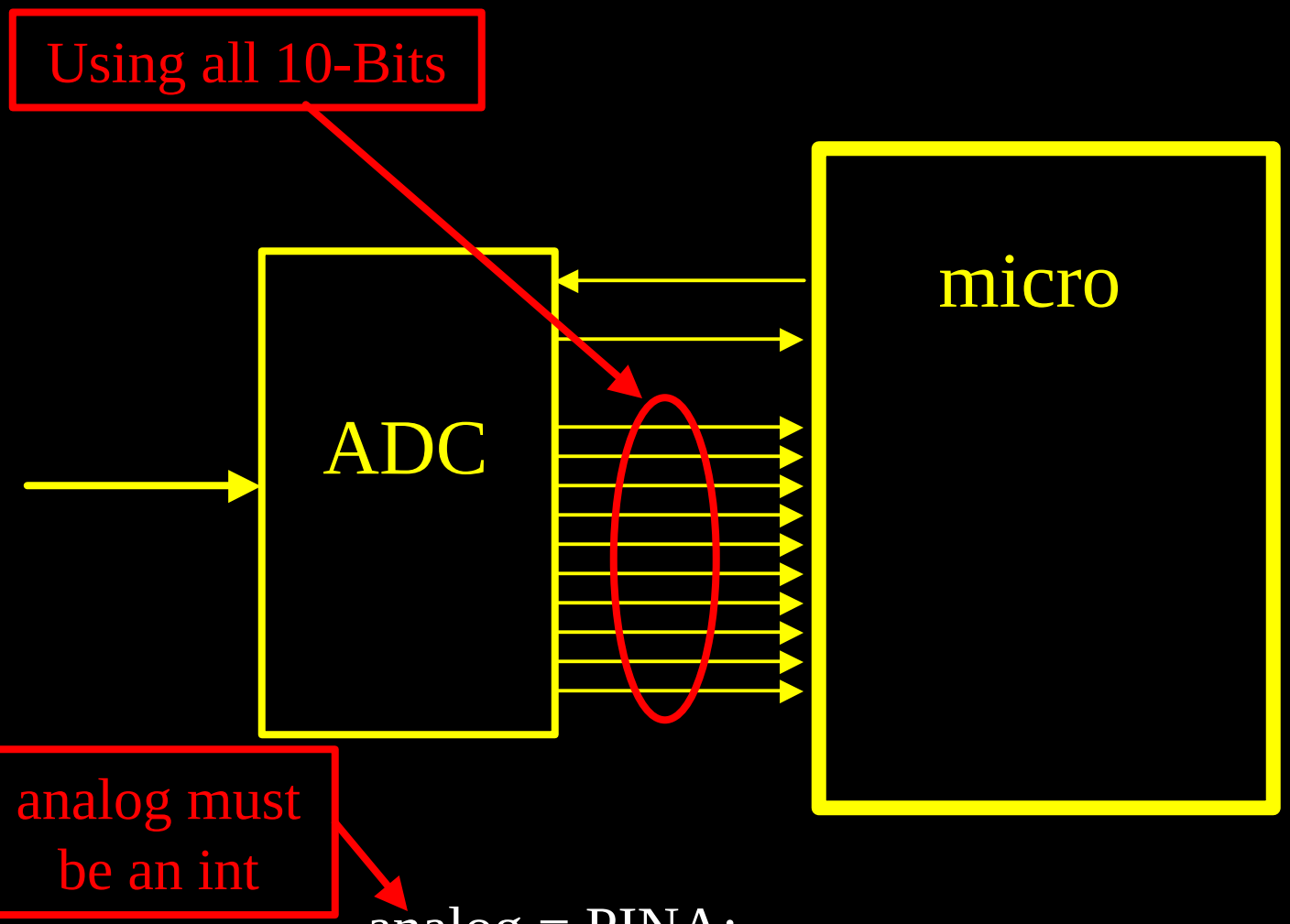

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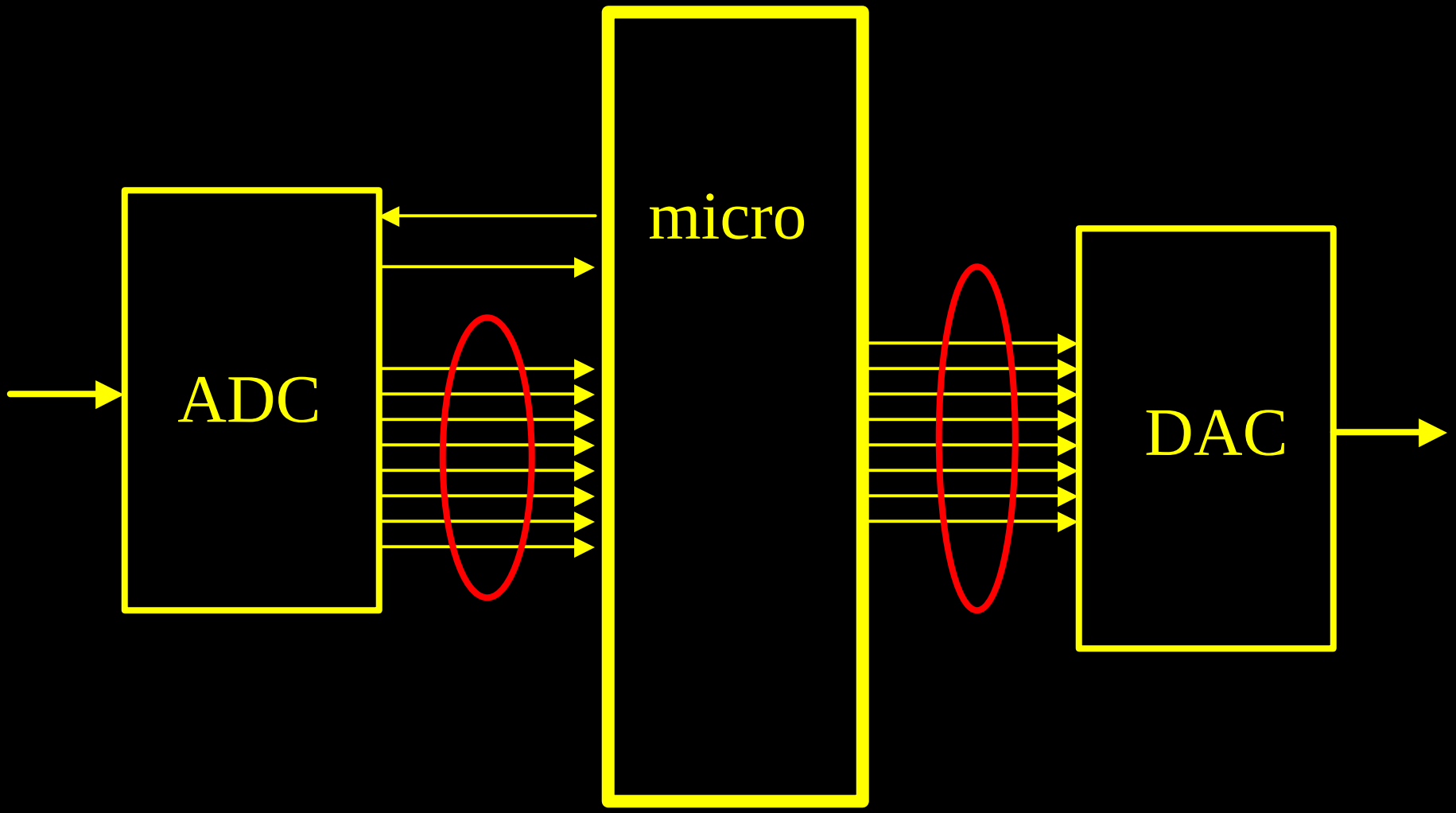

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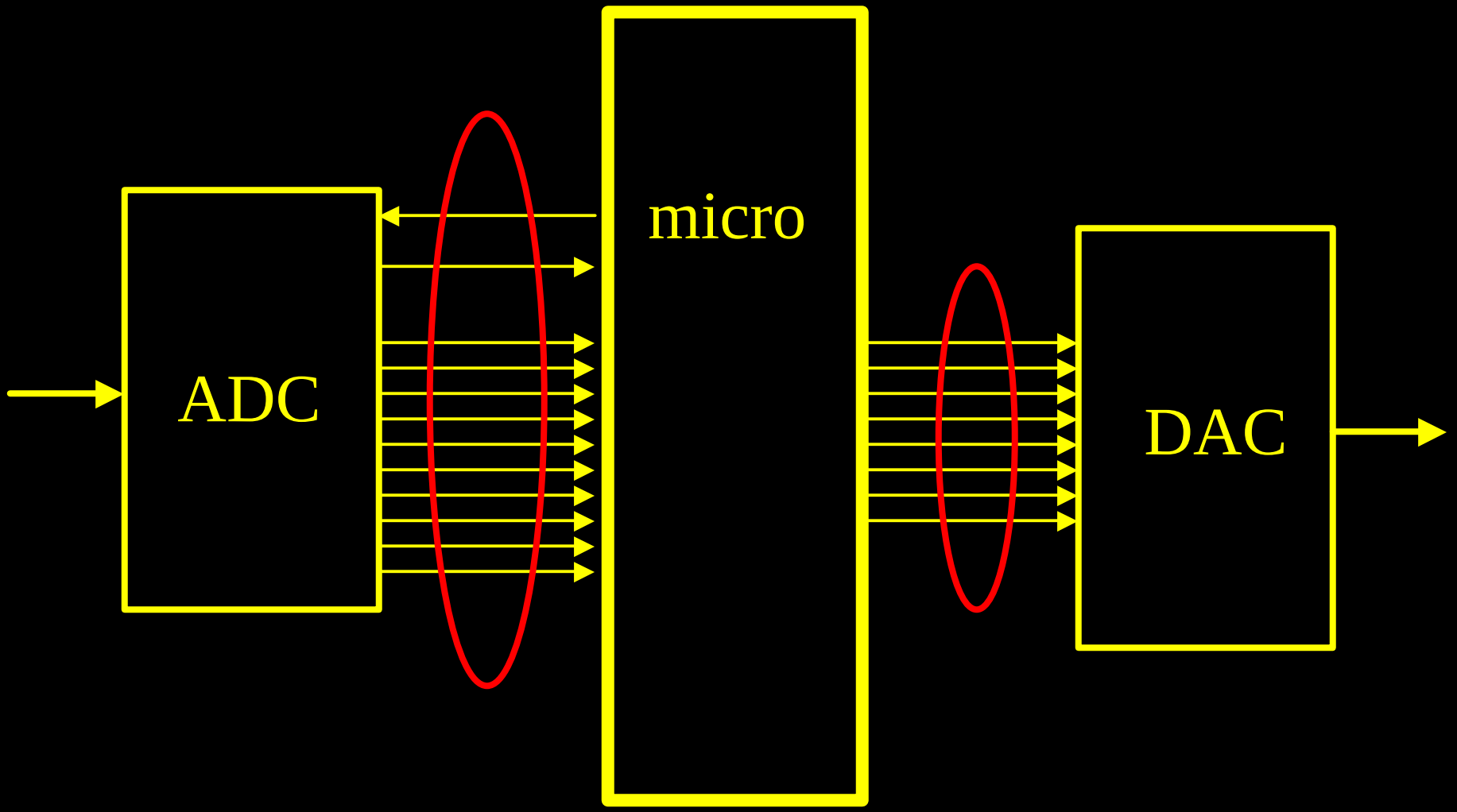

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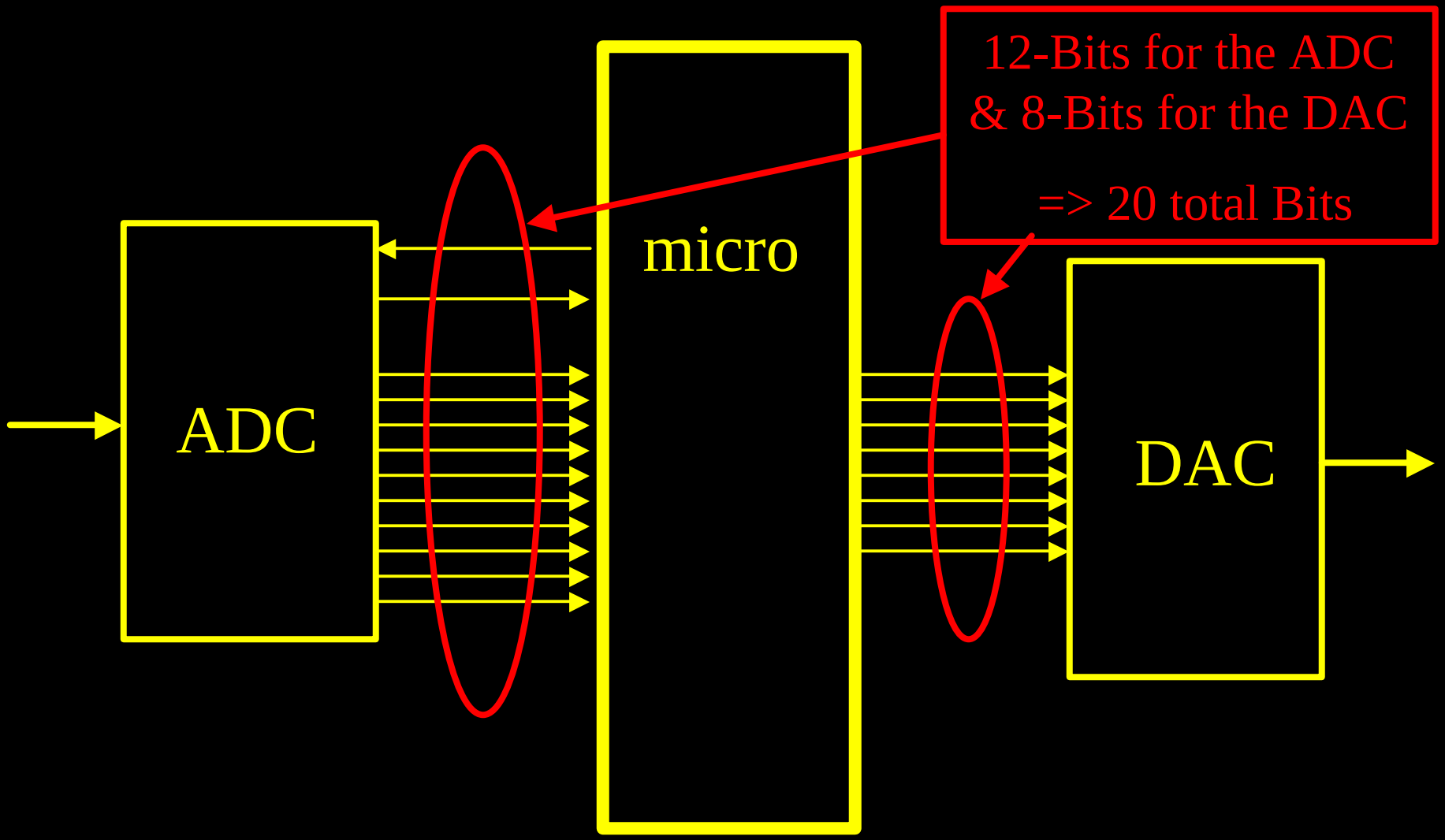

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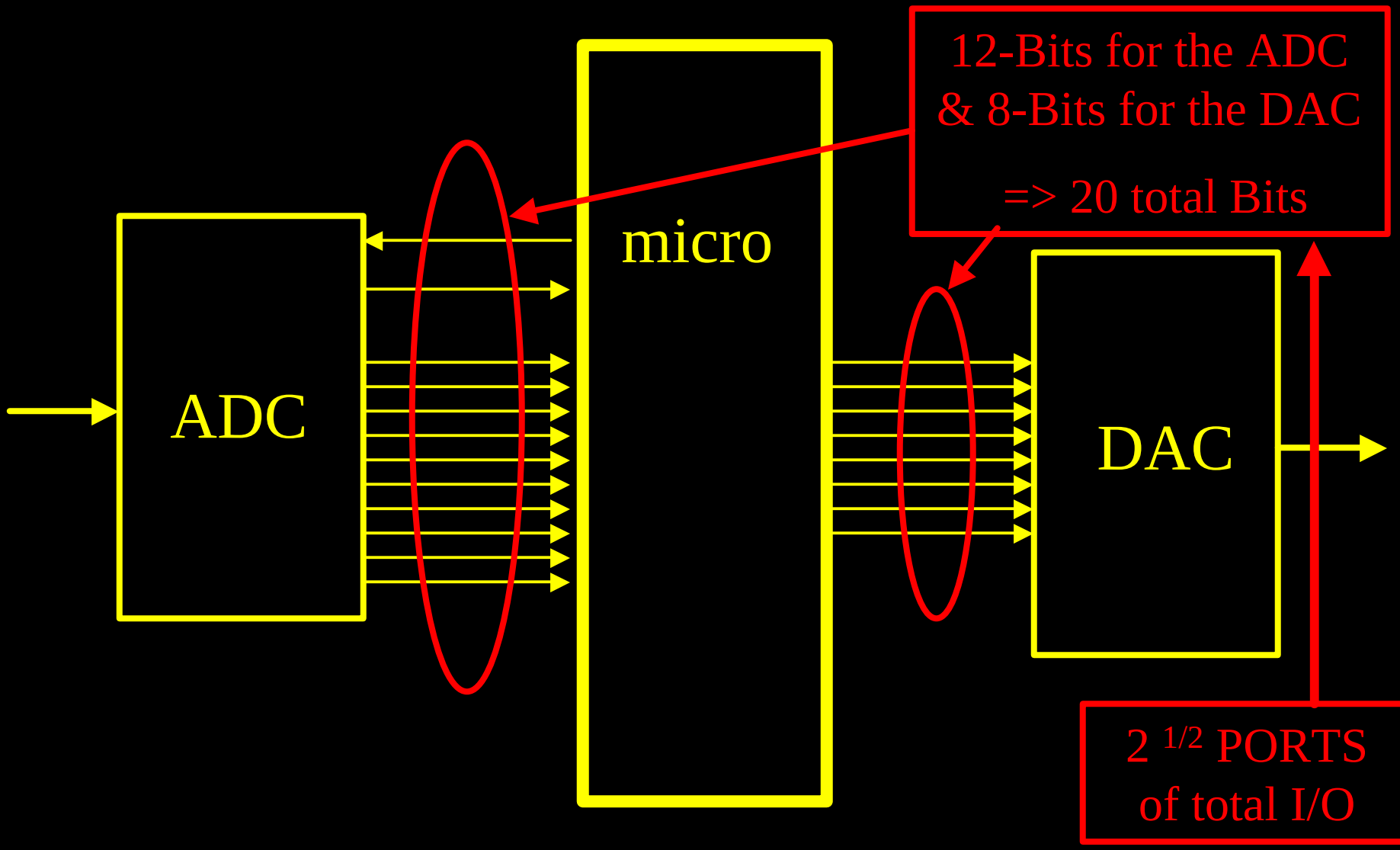


How can we reduce the number of I/O port pins required?

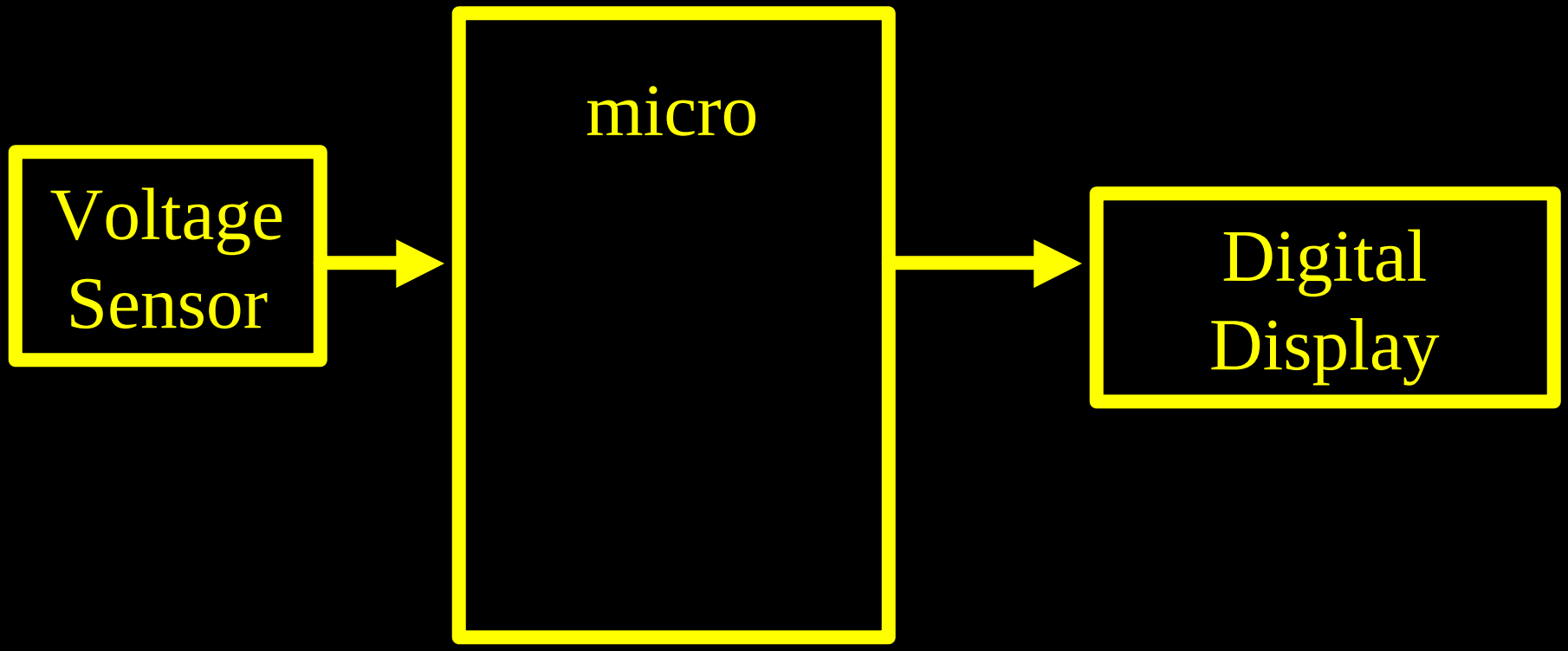
More on Monday

Lab 9

- Create a Digital Voltmeter!!

- That’s pretty straight forward
- Any questions?????

Digital Voltmeter



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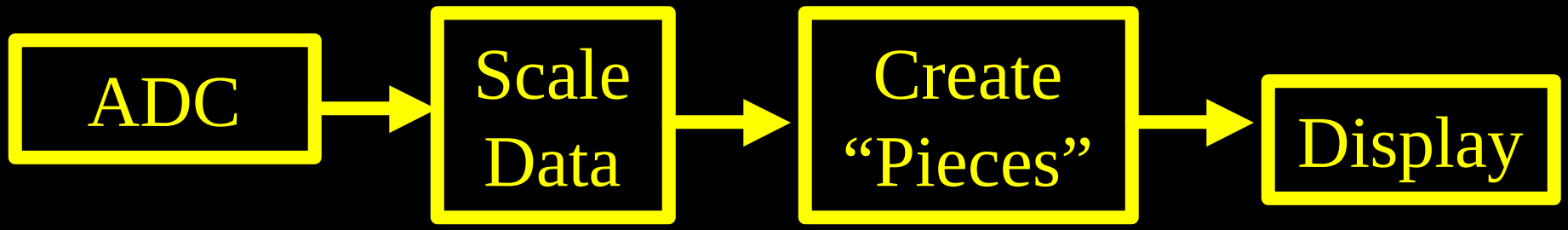

Voltmeter

- Break the project into pieces
  - Read the ADC and print to the terminal
  - Scale the data and print to the terminal
  - Separate the voltage into the BCD components
  - Display the BCD components on the 7-Segs

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Group Activity

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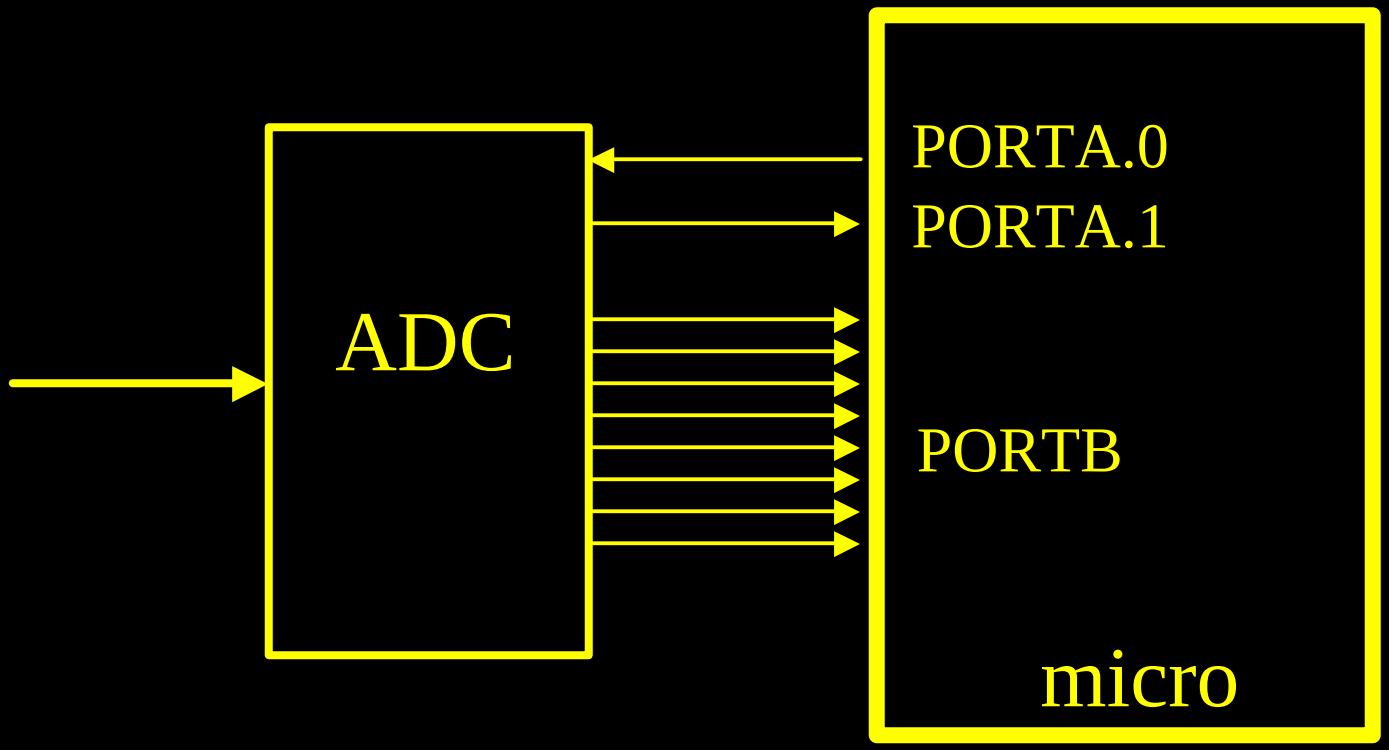

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Provide the Following:

- Initialization Code for the I/O Ports
- Draw the software flowchart
- Write the C code to read the ADC

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