

## **ARDUINO BASICS – POWER SUPPLY**

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### Battery ( it has +ve positive and -ve negative terminals )

Contains Chemical that can generate Positive and Negative charged atoms. Often in a packaging with Negative and Positive terminal exposed.



### AC / DC converter ( it has +ve positive and -ve negative terminals )

A device that is connected to AC Power Source ( from the wall socket ), which later convert the AC into DC.

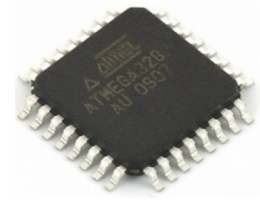
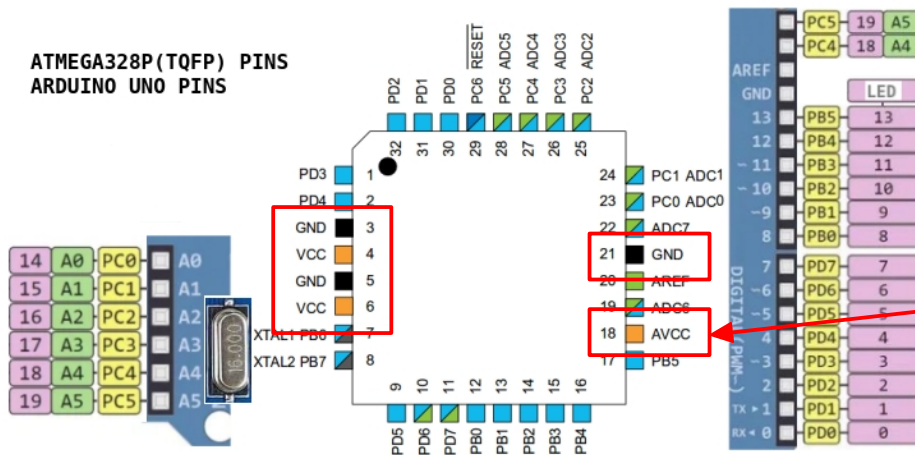


### Capacitor ( it has +ve positive and -ve negative terminals )

Capacitor cannot generate its own electricity. Capacitor collects and store electricity stored in Positive and Negative terminal. Once Positive and Negative terminal from the Capacitor is connected to a circuit, the electrons will flow into the circuit. Behaves almost like a battery, except that it discharge very fast and needs to be constantly charged. It is normally used together with Battery power or AC/DC source to ensure smooth current flow.



## Power Supply for Arduino Uno and Atmega328 micro-controller



Note: AVCC is required to be connected to 5V, because the Analog Pins uses separate power supply.

In order for the Atmega328 micro-controller to work, it needs to receive electricity.

DC Power +ve Terminal to be connected to VCC

DC Power -ve Terminal to be connected to GND

Note: AVCC is also connected to +ve DC Terminal, this is for internal Analog Device power supply ( reduce electrical noise for analog device )

We must make sure power does not exceed the limit, otherwise the chip will be burnt. We must also make sure the power is sufficient, otherwise the micro-controller will not function.

However, when using the Arduino Uno, it is very much safer and easier. The Arduino Uno board have a power regulator to limit the current going into the micro-controller and also Capacitors to ensure stable power input.

NOTE: The Pins labelled 5V and 3.3v are normally used as as output power supply where we draw 5V or 3.3v DC power supply from them

