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Module_1-1. Pins as outputs

Arduino Uno with Tinkercad

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Module_1-1. Pins as outputs Program structure

Every program for Arduino Uno must contain the functions:

- setup(). It runs once at the beginning of the program and usually contains initializations
- loop(). It is always running



1. https://create.arduino.cc/projecthub/lina-tech-explorations/the-basics-of-arduino-programming-program-structure-functif5fb2c?ref=part&ref_id=10308&offset=94

2. https://www.arduino.cc/en/tutorial/sketch

Module_1-1. Pins as outputs Programming functions

There are many functions that can be used in the Arduino Uno. However, the basic functions are:

- pinMode(pin, value). This function determines whether a pin will be output, input, or input with built-in pullup resistors => Value: output, input, input_pullup
- digitalWrite(pin, value). This function gives a high or low value to an output pin => Value: high ("1"), low ("0")
- delay(value). This function stops the program from running in milliseconds => Value: integer
- analogWrite(pin, value). This function creates a PWM waveform in a pin. The pins that support this feature on the Arduino Uno board are 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11. The duty cycle is determined by the value => Value: 0 ~ 255 => PWM duty cycle: 0% ~ 100%

- 3. https://www.arduino.cc/reference/en/language/functions/time/delay/
- $4.\ https://www.arduino.cc/reference/en/language/functions/analog-io/analogwrite/$
- 5. https://www.arduino.cc/en/Tutorial/Foundations/PWM

^{1.} https://www.arduino.cc/reference/en/language/functions/digital-io/pinmode/

^{2.} https://www.arduino.cc/reference/en/language/functions/digital-io/digitalwrite/

The LED is a diode that when properly polarized conducts, emitting photons. The wavelength of the photons determines the color of the LED.



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The LED cannot emit

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Module_1-1. Pins as outputs LED and RGB LED

An RGB LED is the combination of 3 LEDs: red, green, and blue in the same package. Mixing these colors can create all colors.

For example: mixing red and green gives yellow, while red and blue gives purple.



Red and green

Red and blue

- 1. https://howtomechatronics.com/tutorials/arduino/how-to-use-a-rgb-led-with-arduino
- 2. https://www.rapidtables.com/web/color/RGB_Color.html
- 3. https://randomnerdtutorials.com/electronics-basics-how-do-rgb-leds-work/

Module_1-1. Pins as outputs Seven segment display

The seven segment display contains in the same package segments (with names from a to g). Each segment is a LED. The LEDs are arranged so that numbers can be formed by activating appropriate segments.



Array of sections / LEDs

For example: if sectors b and c are activated, the number 1 is obtained. If all sectors are activated, the number 8 is obtained.



Activation of sectors b and c



Activate all sectors

1. https://lastminuteengineers.com/seven-segment-arduino-tutorial

Module_1-1. Pins as outputs Seven segment display

A seven segment display can be a common anode or a common cathode. That is, all LEDs are connected to a common point, to which either Vcc or Gnd must be connected.

If the display is a common anode, in order to a segment be activated it must have a low voltage – "0" (Gnd). Similarly, if the display is a common cathode, in order to segment be activated it must have a high voltage – "1" (Vcc).





Common anode

Common cathode

Module_1-1. Pins as outputs Example



The example uses 1 LED at pin 0. Starting the

Arduino Uno lights up the LED for one second,

and then stays off for another second. This process

is repeated by flashing the LED.

Circuit connections

The code:

Module_1-1. Pins as outputs Example

/* This example code is in the public domain.

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https://www.arduino.cc/en/Tutorial/BuiltInExamples/Blink */
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// the setup function runs once when you press reset or power the board
void setup()

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// initialize digital pin 0 as an output.
pinMode(0, OUTPUT);
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// the loop function runs over and over again forever
void loop()

```
digitalWrite(0, HIGH);<br/>delay(1000);// turn the LED on (HIGH is the voltage level)<br/>// wait for a seconddigitalWrite(0, LOW);<br/>delay(1000);// turn the LED off by making the voltage LOW<br/>// wait for a second
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