

***Eta32mini***

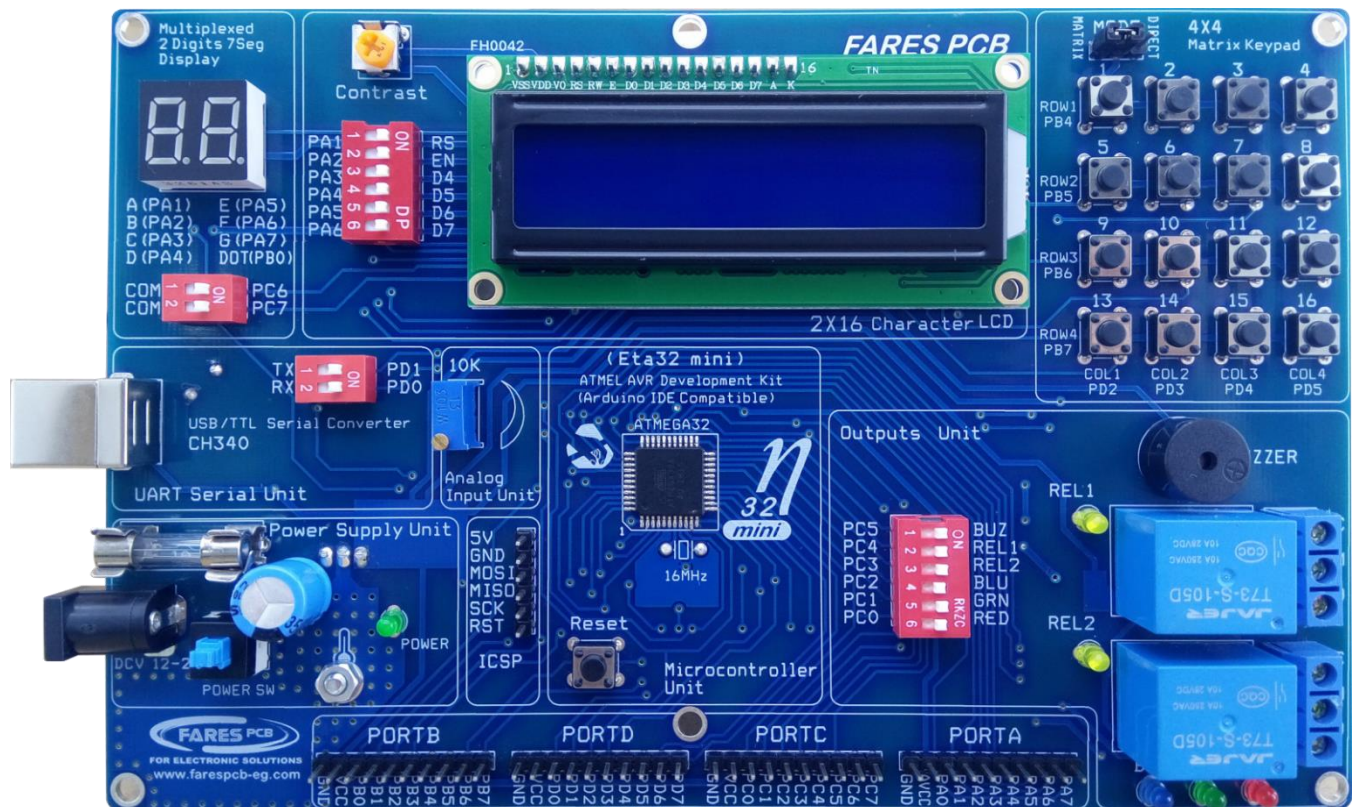
**ATMEL AVR Development Kit**

## General Description

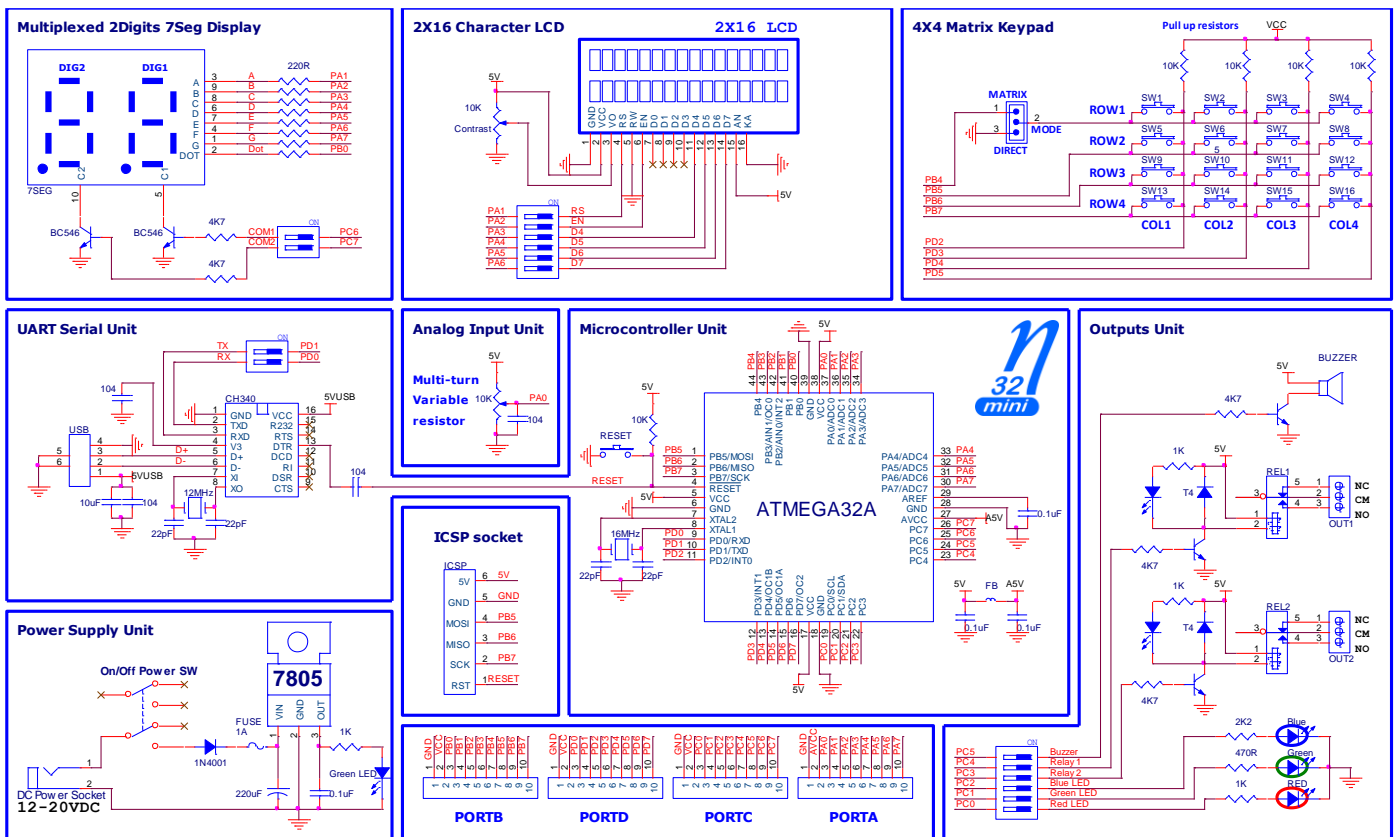
*Eta32mini* kit is an AVR development board designed particularly for students, beginners and recent graduated engineers to provide easy developing of AVR microcontroller projects.

*Eta32mini* supports ATMEGA32 microcontroller chip. *Eta32mini* kit provides the most common primary devices and circuits, such as LCD, KEYPAD, serial interface, and more. Thus, it saves most of the wasted time and efforts in hardware design and test, hence, a developer can focus his efforts on firmware development. All I/O pins are brought out via pin header for direct port accessing.

*Eta32mini* kit comes preprogrammed with UART bootloader, which eliminates the need for external programmer (programming using Eta32mini IDE from FARES PCB Co). However, kit can be programmed using Arduino IDE (another bootloader). Also standard 6 pin header socket is included (ICSP) for external programmers.



***Eta32mini* kit**



***Eta32mini* kit (schematic)**

## ***Eta32mini* key features**

- Power supply unit.
- ATMEGA32 Microcontroller with reset switch and crystal oscillator.
- 4X4 matrix keypad.
- Output unit involves three output LEDs, two output relays and one output buzzer.
- Multiplexed two digits 7 segments display.
- 2X16 LCD display.
- Variable analog input using high precise multi-turn resistor.
- Virtual COM port via USB.
- Standard 6 pin header socket ICSP for external programmers.
- All microcontroller I/O pins are brought out via pin header.



## Power Supply Unit

Power could be supplied from DC power supply adaptor via DC power socket (12V - 20V).

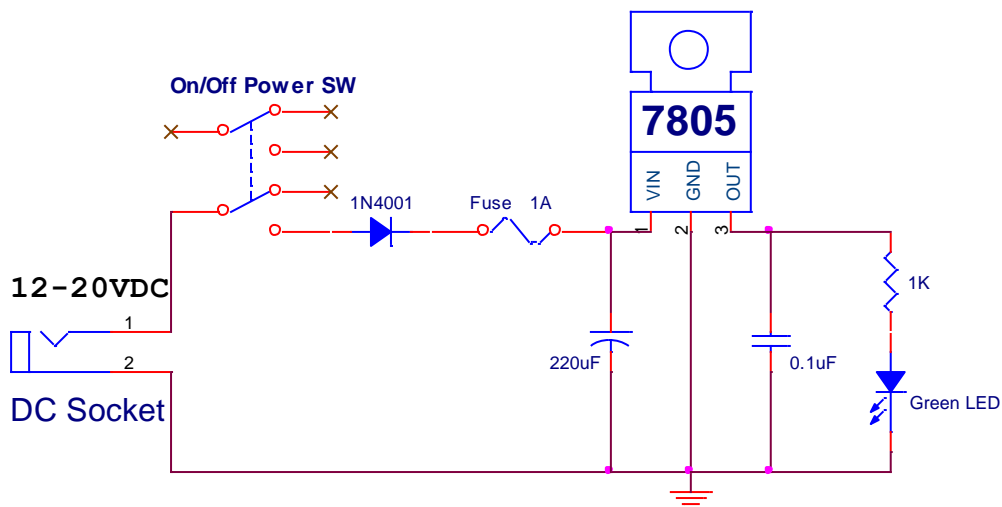
Power supply unit features:

- On/Off Power switch.
- Green LED power indicator.
- 7805 (5V power regulator 5% tolerance).
- 1A Fuse for over current protection.

**Note:** - *Eta32mini* kit is protected against reversed polarity of power.



**Power supply unit**



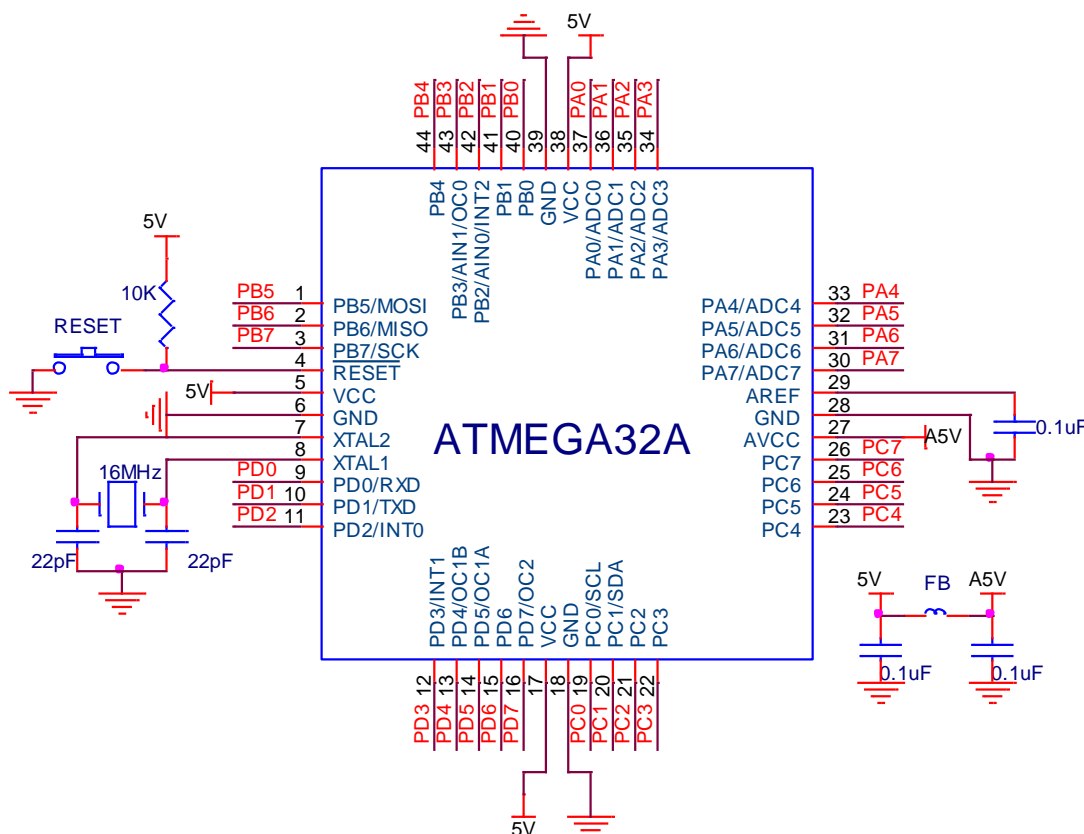
**Power supply unit (schematic)**

## Microcontroller Unit

44 pin TQFP ATMEGA32A chip with 16 MHz crystal oscillator and Push button reset switch.



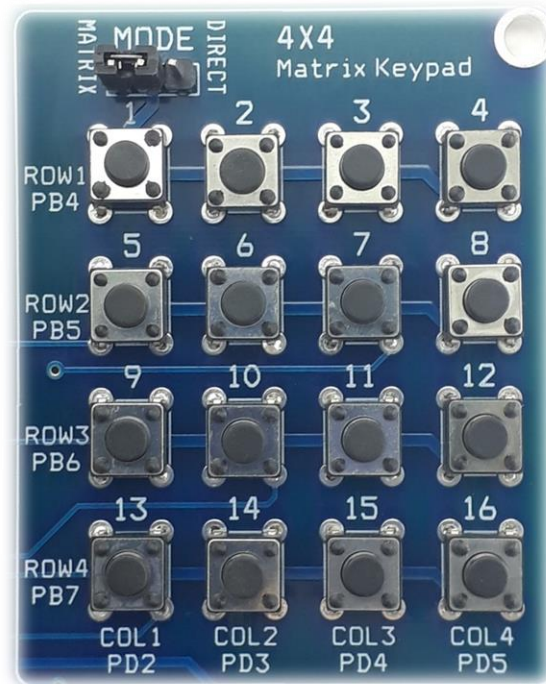
**Microcontroller unit**



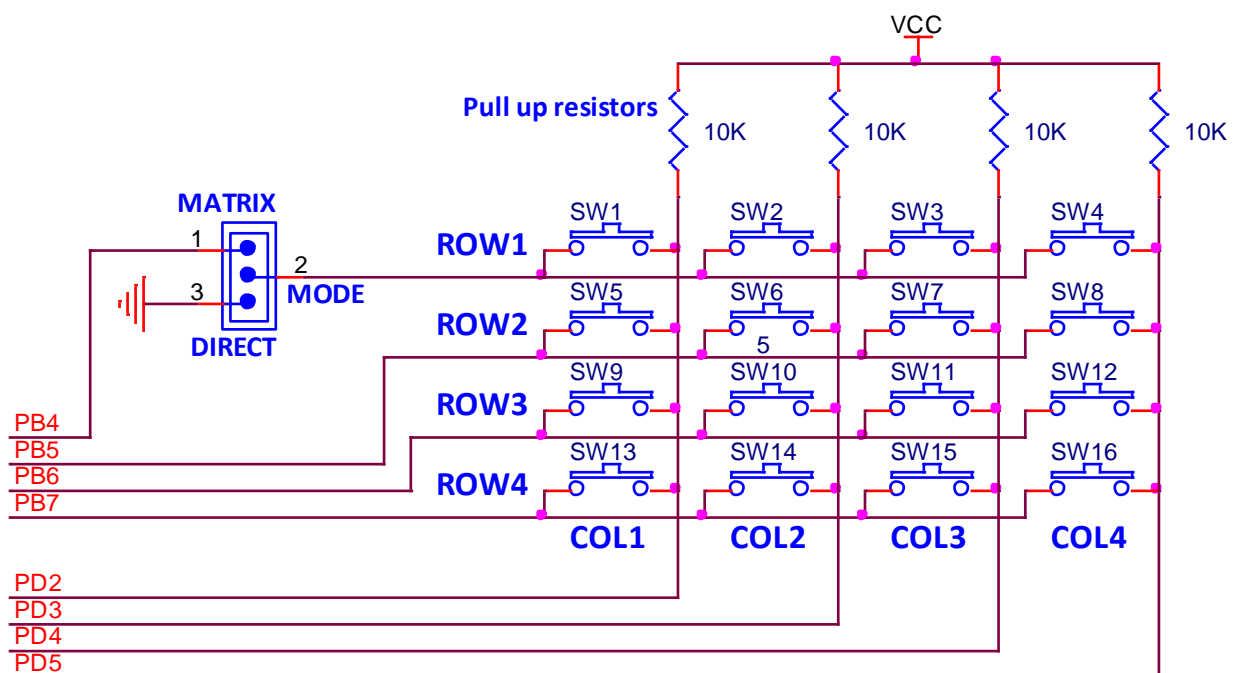
**Microcontroller unit (schematic)**

## 4X4 Matrix Keypad Unit

*Eta32mini* Kit includes 16 push button switches. Switches are configured as 4 rows intersected by 4 columns. Each intersection creates a switch position.



**4X4 matrix keypad unit**



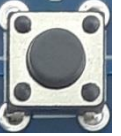















**4X4 matrix keypad unit (schematic)**

Rows and Columns are connected to microcontroller as following.

Row number	Microcontroller pin	Arduino pin
ROW 1	PB4	4
ROW 2	PB5	5
ROW 3	PB6	6
ROW 4	PB7	7

Column number	Microcontroller pin	Arduino pin
COL 1	PD2	10
COL 2	PD3	11
COL 3	PD4	12
COL 4	PD5	13

<b>ROW</b>	ROW1 (PB4)	1 	2 	3 	4 
	ROW2 (PB5)	5 	6 	7 	8 
	ROW3 (PB6)	9 	10 	11 	12 
	ROW4 (PB7)	13 	14 	15 	16 
		COL1 (PD2)	COL2 (PD3)	COL3 (PD4)	COL4 (PD5)
<b>COLUMN</b>					

Keypad can be configured as 4X4 matrix keypad (16 switches used) or as 4 direct switches.



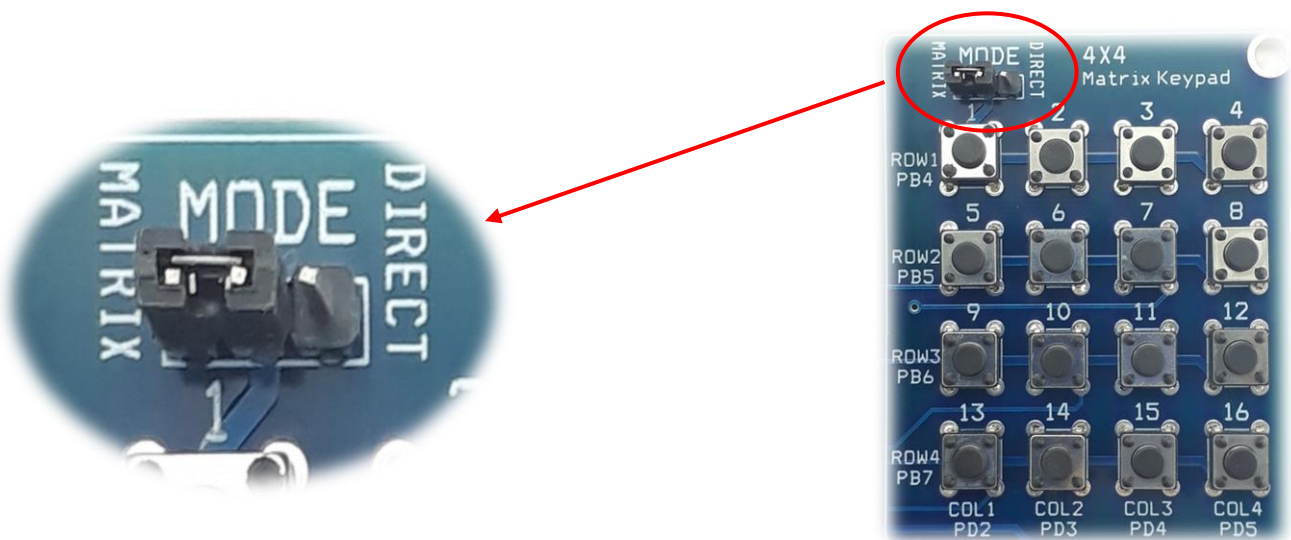
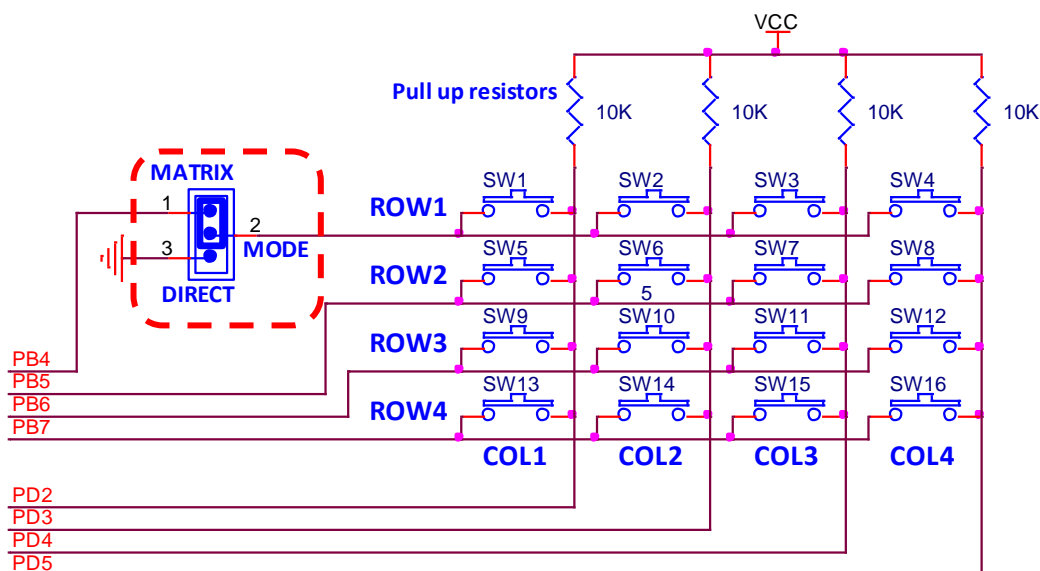
## Matrix Mode

In matrix mode, all 16 switches are activated and configured as four row lines and four column lines. Microcontroller scans these lines to detect a button pressed state. Column lines are pulled up by 10K $\Omega$  resistors. (i.e. microcontroller port pin reads high if no switch is pressed).

Scan process starts by setting all rows and columns as inputs.

To scan switches in a row, microcontroller configures it as output and sets it to low, then checks columns one at a time. If a column line goes low, microcontroller detects a pressed switch, otherwise, no pressed switch and goes to scan next row and so on.

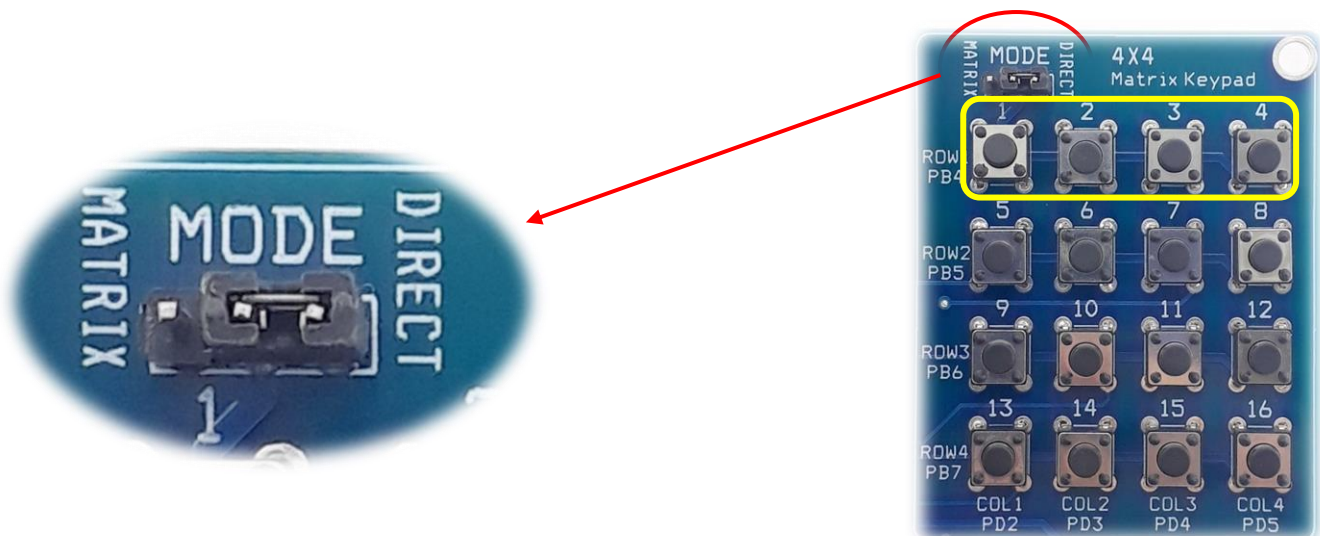
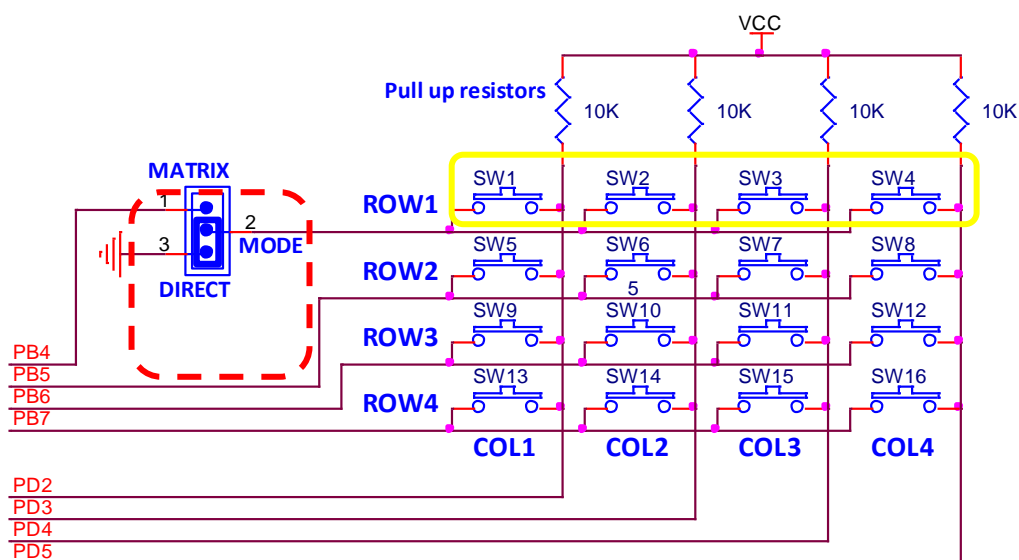
To set keypad in matrix mode, just set MODE jumper to Matrix position as shown below.



## Direct Mode

In direct mode, just 4 switches are activated to save microcontroller pins in case of no need for more switches and reducing firmware complexity in scanning operation. Switches in first row only is enabled (i.e. SW1, SW2, SW3 and SW4) and can be read directly as inputs through column lines. Microcontroller checks the column lines. If a column line goes low, it means a switch is pressed.

To set keypad in direct mode, just set MODE jumper to direct position, as shown below:

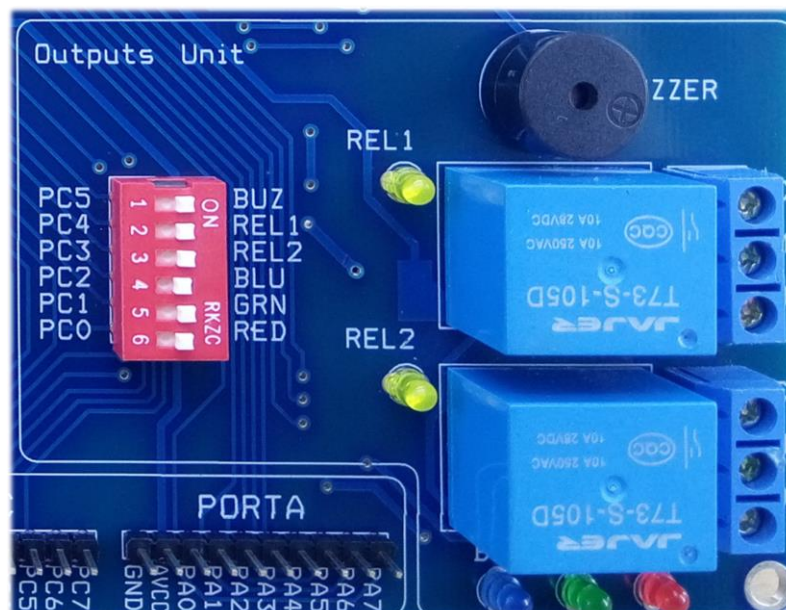


## Output Unit

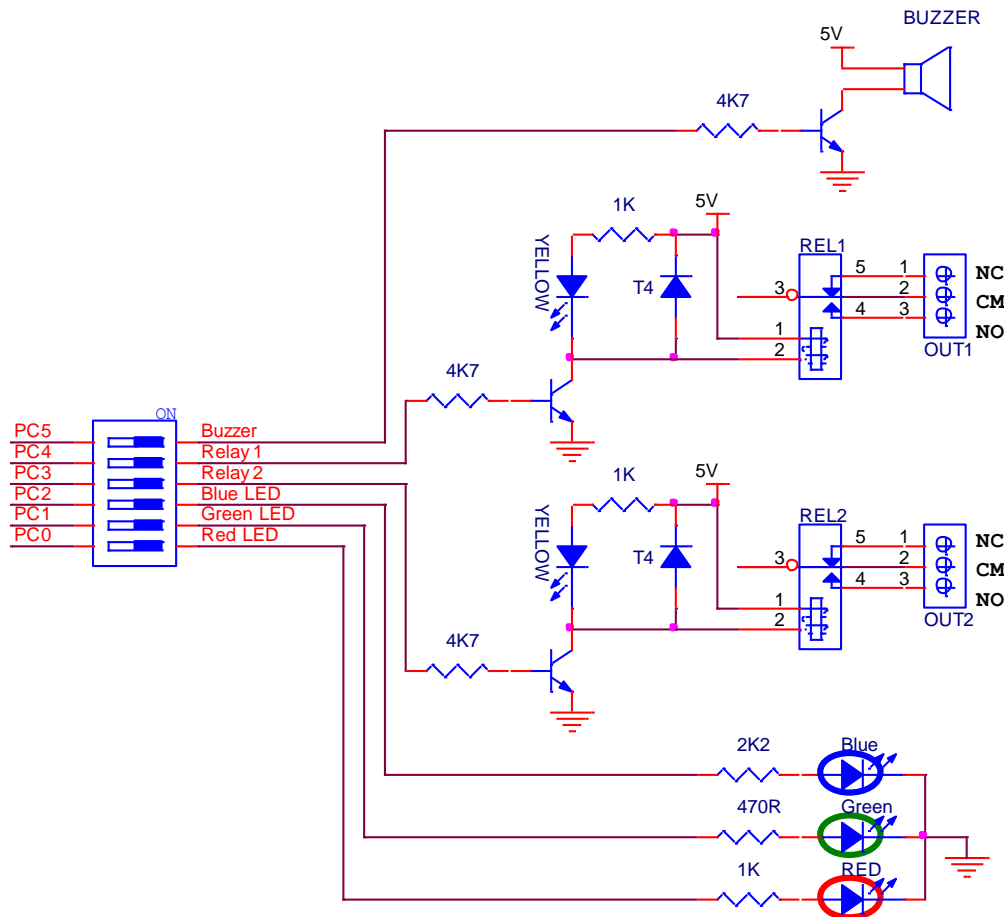
This unit contains six outputs distributed as three LEDs, two relays and one Buzzer.

Outputs are connected to microcontroller as following:

Output	Microcontroller pin	Arduino pin
Buzzer	PC5	21
Relay1	PC4	20
Relay2	PC3	19
Blue LED	PC2	18
Green LED	PC1	17
Red LED	PC0	16



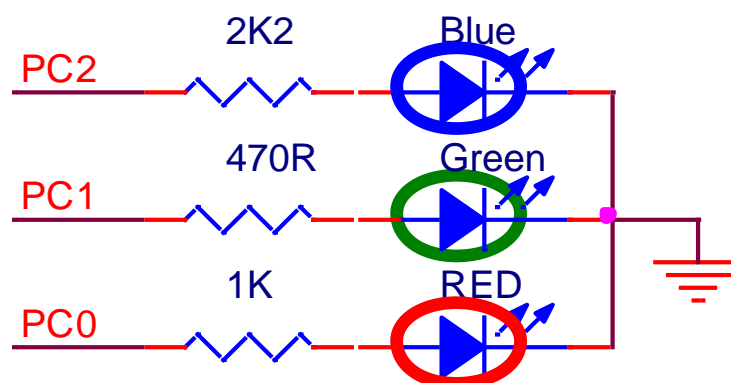
**Output unit**



## Output unit (Schematic)

### Three output LEDs

Three LEDs with current limiting resistors are connected to port pins (**PC0**, **PC1** and **PC2**). Red, Green and Blue LED.



**Blue** LED is connected to **PC.2** in microcontroller.

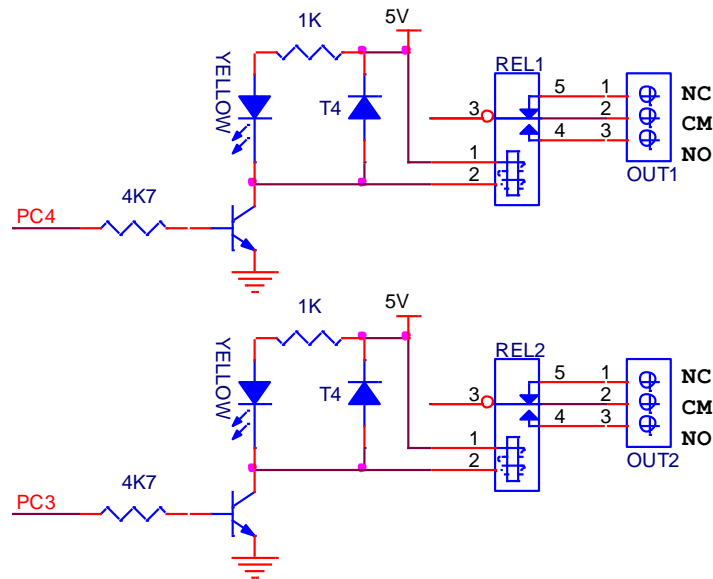
**Green** LED is connected to **PC.1** in microcontroller.

**Red** LED is connected to **PC.0** in microcontroller.

Each LED can be enabled or disabled via DIP switch. LEDs are active high. i.e. output high turns on LED and output low turns off it.

## Two output relays

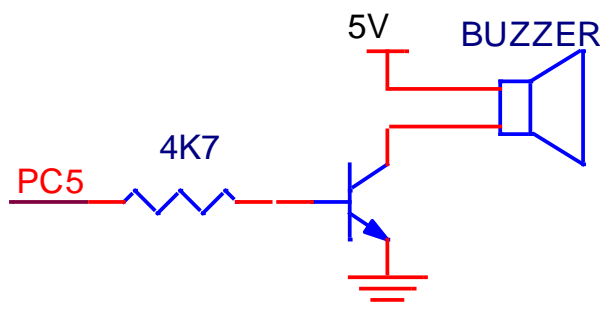
Two output relays are added to *Eta32mini* kit to allow dry contact switches, which is suitable for AC or DC switching applications. Each relay has its own related LED for status indication and can be individually enabled via DIP switch. Relays are driven from NPN transistors. Freewheeling diodes are included to protect transistors from back EMF voltage that arises on relay coil during switching off.



Relay1 is attached to port pin **PC4** and relay2 is attached to port pin **PC3**. Relays are 5V coil and rated to 5A contacts (resistive load). Both of normally open and normally closed contacts are brought out via screw clamp terminals.

## One output buzzer

One output buzzer (6VDC) is included in output unit to port pin **PC5**. Also, it may be enabled using DIP switch.





## 7Segment Display

7segment display is used to indicate numerical data. It can display digits from 0 to 9 and some characters such as A,B,C,H,E,F ,etc.

7segment display is very popular and has many applications.

*Eta32mini* includes multiplexed two digits 7segment display.

## Multiplexed Two Digits 7seg Display Unit

Two multiplexed 7seg digits are added to *Eta32mini* kit. 7segments are referred to by letters "a", "b", "c", "d", "e", "f", "g", "dot". Both digits share the same segments. i.e. segment "a" is the same for DIG1 and DIG2. Each digit has its own common, so there are two commons for the two digits. 7segment display is common cathode, so a high on a segment turns it ON while low turns it OFF. Commons are driven from NPN transistors .So, a high from microcontroller turns transistor on, which enables the digit.

Segments commons are connected to microcontroller as shown in table:

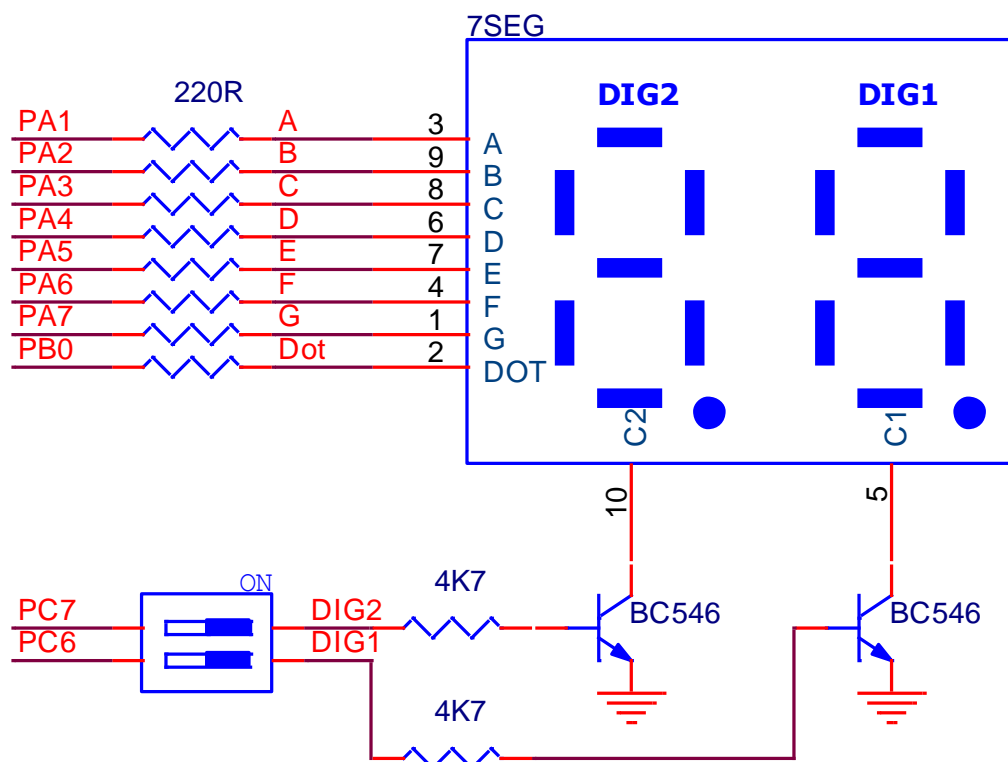
Segment	microcontroller Pin	Arduino Pin
A	PA1	25
B	PA2	26
C	PA3	27
D	PA4	28
E	PA5	29
F	PA6	30
G	PA7	31
Dot	PB0	0

7Seg Commons are connected to microcontroller as shown in table:

Common	microcontroller Pin	Arduino Pin
Digit 1	PC6	22
Digit 2	PC7	23

### **Note:-**

- Each 7seg digit can be enabled or disabled individually using DIP switch.
- 7seg module and 2X16LCD share the same port. So, disable LCD before using 7Segments display.

**7Segment display****7Segment display (schematic)**

## 2X16 LCD Display Unit

2X16 alphabetic LCD with contrast control configured in 4 bit mode is connected to **PORTA** via DIP switch as following:

LCD module pinout number, symbol and function:

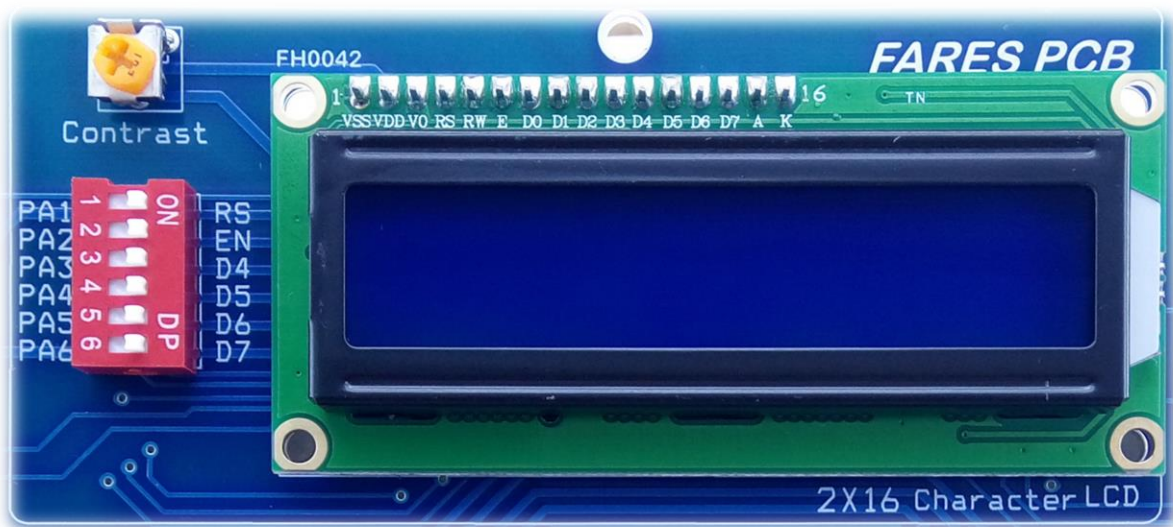
LCD pin number	LCD pin symbol	LCD pin function
1	VSS	Ground
2	VCC	+5V
3	VO	Contrast adjustment
4	RS	Register Select(0:Command , 1:Data)
5	R/W	R/W(0:Write , 1:Read)
6	EN	Enable
7	D0	Data bit 0
8	D1	Data bit 1
9	D2	Data bit 2
10	D3	Data bit3
11	D4	Data bit4
12	D5	Data bit5
13	D6	Data bit6
14	D7	Data bit7
15	A	Back light anode(+)
16	K	Back light cathode(-)

LCD connection to microcontroller port pins:

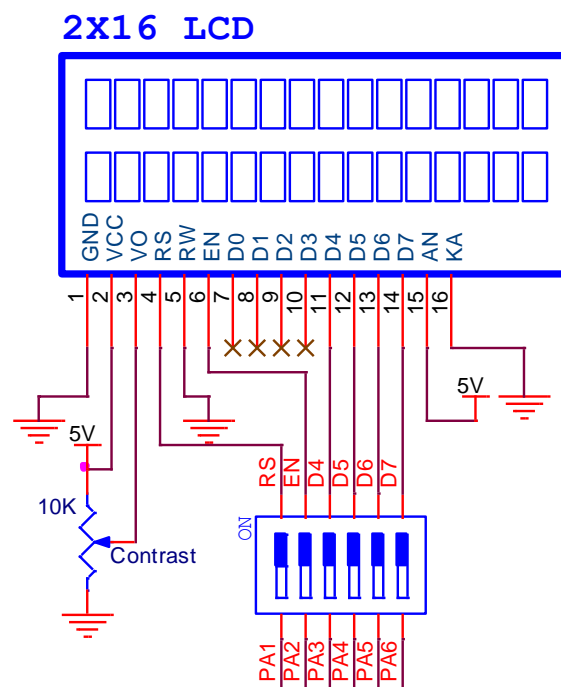
LCD pin number	LCD pin symbol	Microcontroller pin	Arduino Pin
4	RS	PA1	25
6	EN	PA2	26
11	D4	PA3	27
12	D5	PA4	28
13	D6	PA5	29
14	D7	PA6	30

### Note:

- LCD R/W signal is tied to ground.
- 10K $\Omega$  variable resistor labeled "Contrast" is adjusted to control the LCD contrast.
- Disable 7Segment module before using LCD module.



**2X16 LCD display unit**



**2X16 LCD display unit (Schematic)**

## Analog Input Unit

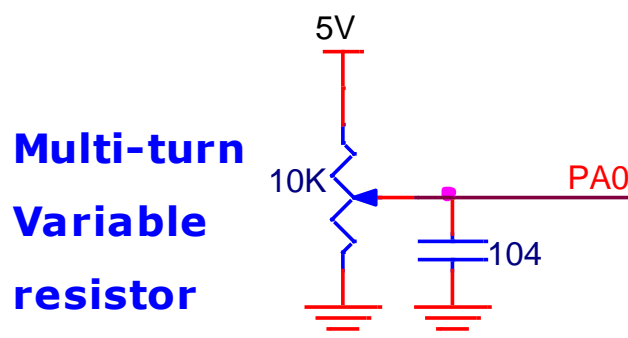
*Eta32mini* includes 10K $\Omega$  multi-turn variable resistor. The fixed terminals of variable resistor are connected to GND and +5VDC whereas the variable terminal is connected to Port pin **PA0** of the microcontroller. The resistor may be adjusted precisely to the required voltage (0.00V to 5.00V).

Analog input connected to microcontroller as shown in table:

Analog Input	microcontroller Pin	Arduino Pin
Variable resistor	PA0	24/A0



**Analog input unit**

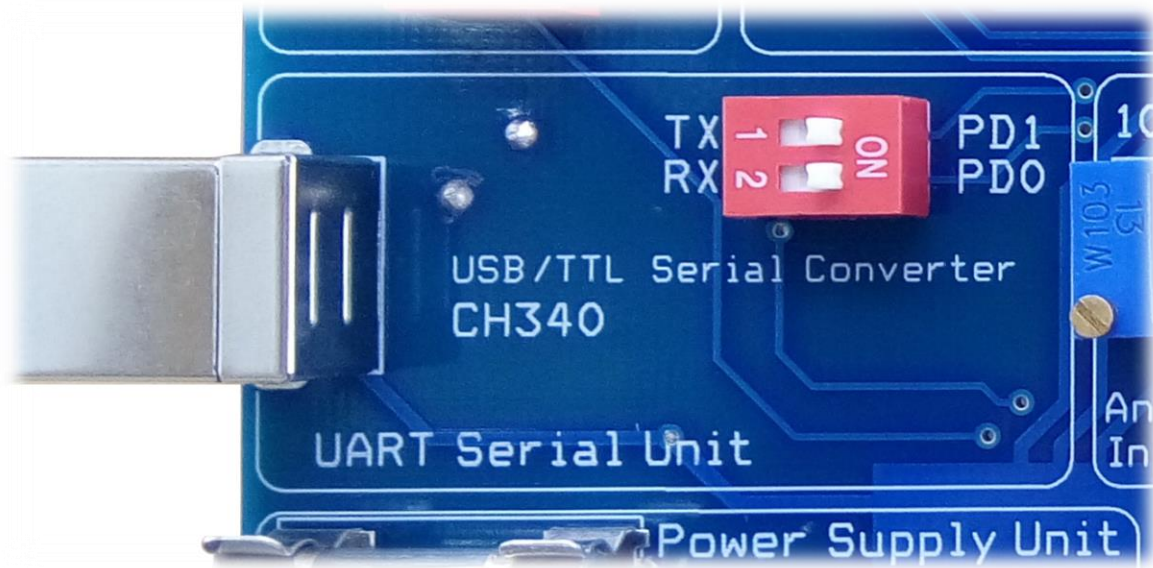


**Analog input unit (schematic)**

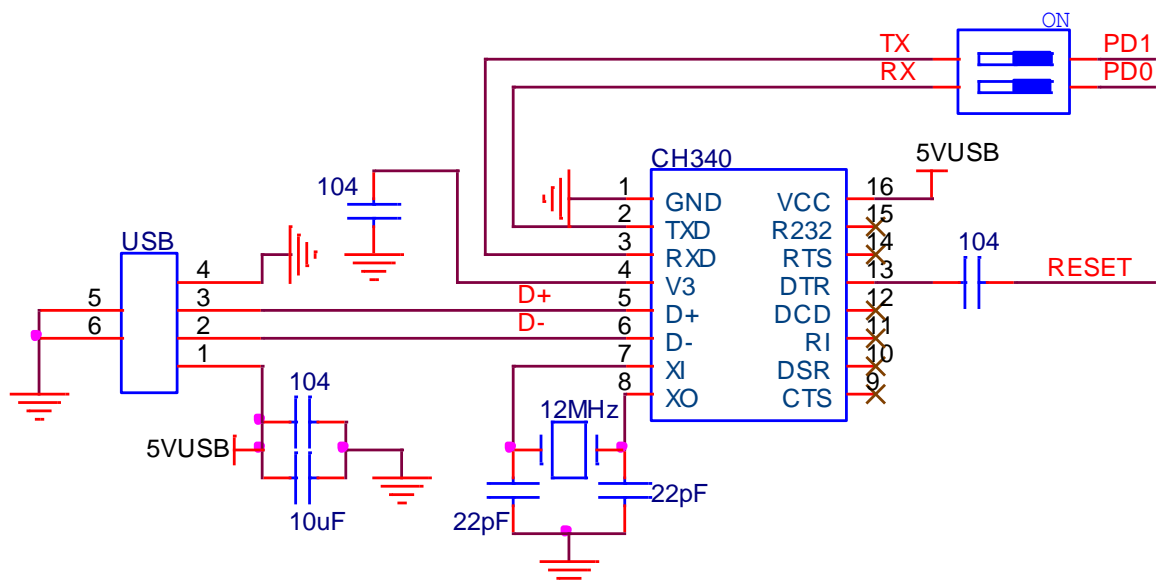


## USB Virtual COM Unit

This unit includes USB/TTL logic converter using CH340 IC and provides USB type B socket for PC serial communication. Serial interface circuit can be enabled or disabled using DIP switch (see figure 25). USB/TTL Converter IC is connected to ATMEGA32 microcontroller port pins **PD0 (RX)** and **PD1 (TX)** via DIP switch.



**Serial unit**



**Serial unit (schematic)**

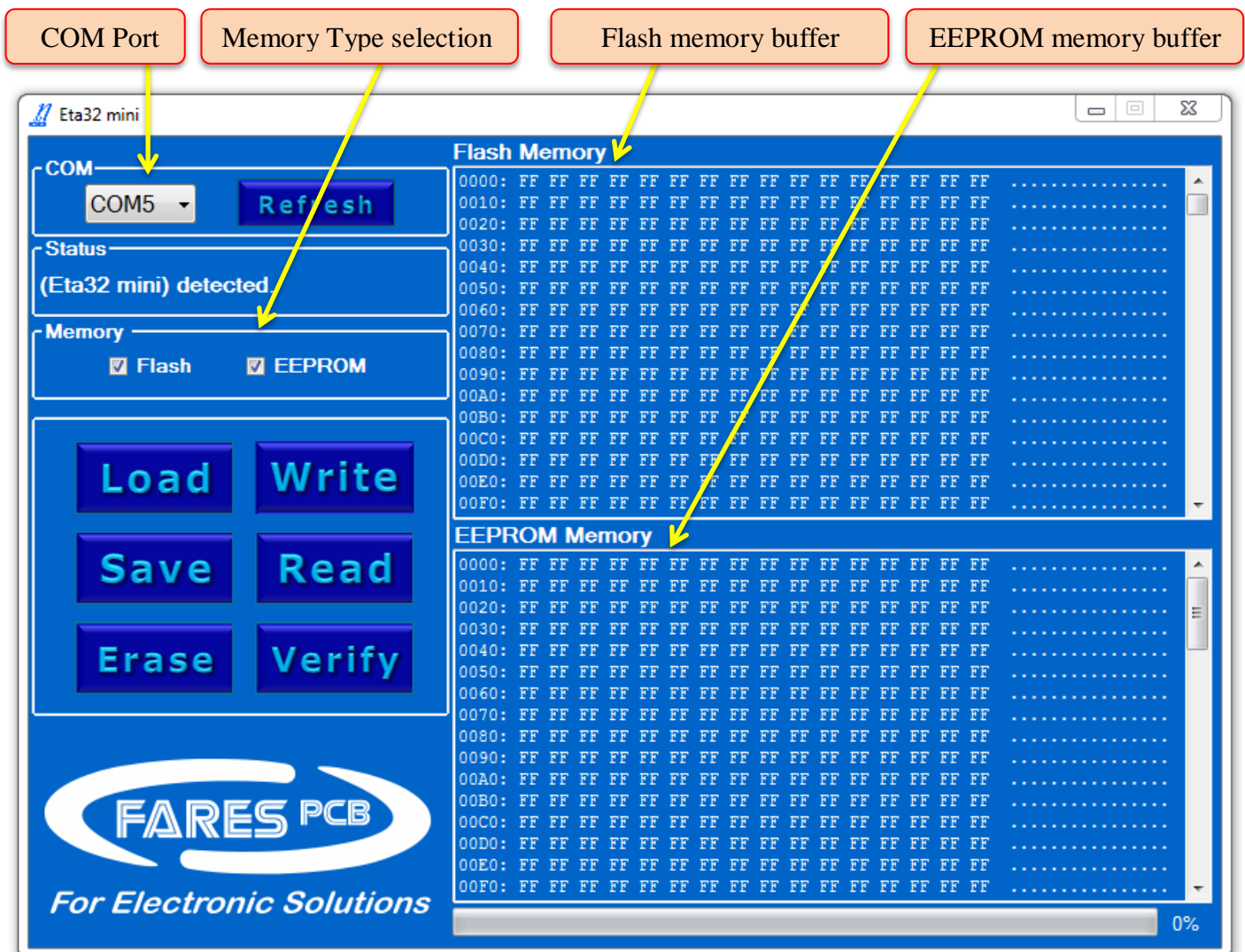
## Uploading Hex Code

There are three ways to burn hex code on *Eta32mini* kit.

- 1) *Eta32mini* software tool (Eta32mini bootloader from FARES PCB)
- 2) Arduino IDE.
- 3) External programmer.

## Programming using *Eta32mini* tool

*Eta32mini* does not require any sort of external programmers to be programmed. *Eta32mini* kit comes with Eta32mini bootloader, which interfaces an *Eta32mini* software tool (from FARES PCB). *Eta32mini* software tool is used to download/upload hex code from/to ROM and EEPROM contents of ATMEGA32 microcontroller.



**Eta32mini** Software tool is developed specifically for **Eta32mini** kit. It detects the kit automatically just after opening it or by clicking re-connect button.

Select memory type (Flash, EEPROM or both) before any programming operation.

Use "Load" button to load hex file to buffer related to selected memory.

Use "Save" button to store data in the buffer related to selected memory into a hex file (Intel format).

Use "Write" button to burn loaded hex file to selected memory on microcontroller.

Use "Read" button to read hex code from selected memory of microcontroller.

Use "Erase" button to erase selected memory of microcontroller.

Use "Verify" button to compare hex code from selected memory of microcontroller to the related memory buffer.

## Fuse settings

By default, fuse bytes are set to the proper values as shown in table

Fuse byte	Hex value
Low	9F
High	CA

Brown-out Detector (BOD): Enabled (2.7V).

Clock Source: External crystal oscillator.

Boot reset vector is selected. Bootloader occupies 2K bytes from flash memory

### **Note:**

If fuse bytes are changed to any values other than those shown in the previous table, they must be reprogrammed to the proper values before using **Eta32mini** programming tool.

After programming is completed, a reset operation is performed to ensure microcontroller correct operation.

### **Warning:**

Random fuse settings changing is risky. You should take special care while changing these settings. Incorrect fuse settings may cause incorrect microcontroller functioning.

## Programming using Arduino IDE

If Arduino software tool is your preferred IDE, follow the next steps to add *Eta32mini* kit to Arduino boards,

Fuse byte	Hex value
Low	9F
High	CE

1 - Upload Arduino bootloader firmware (ArduinoBL.hex) included in CD using any external programmer such as USBasp programmer. (See programming using external programmer).

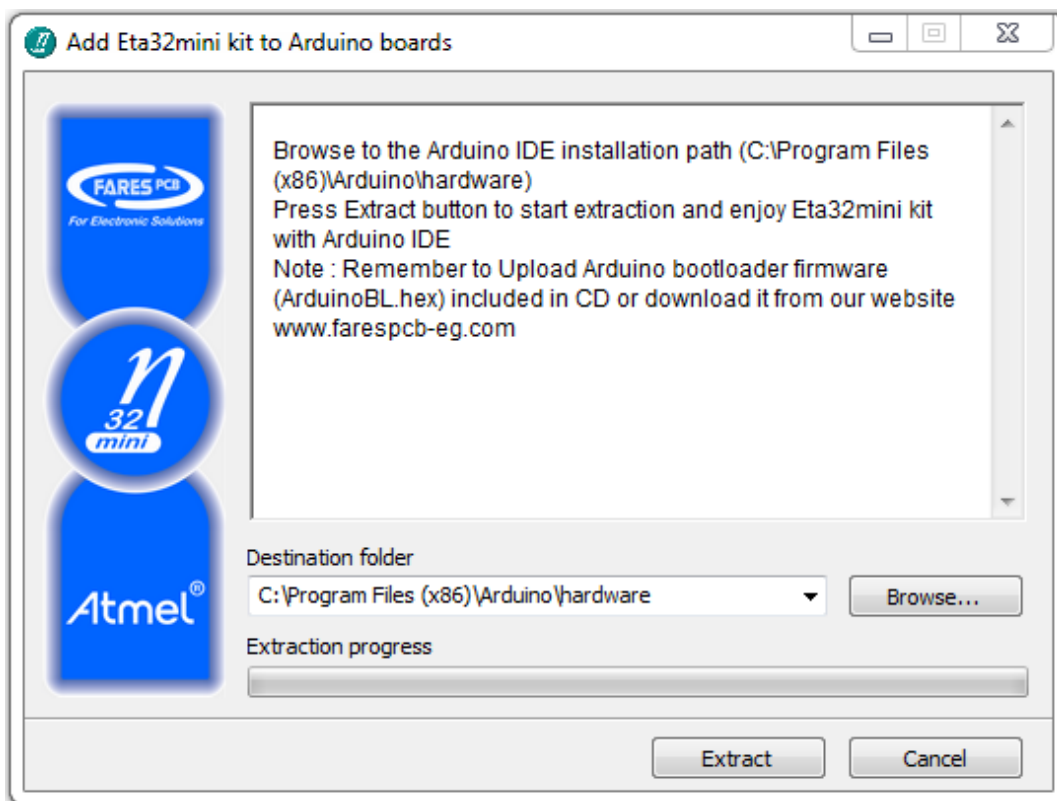
Fuse Bytes must be set as shown in table below

2 - Download Arduino IDE from the following link

<https://www.arduino.cc/en/Main/Software>

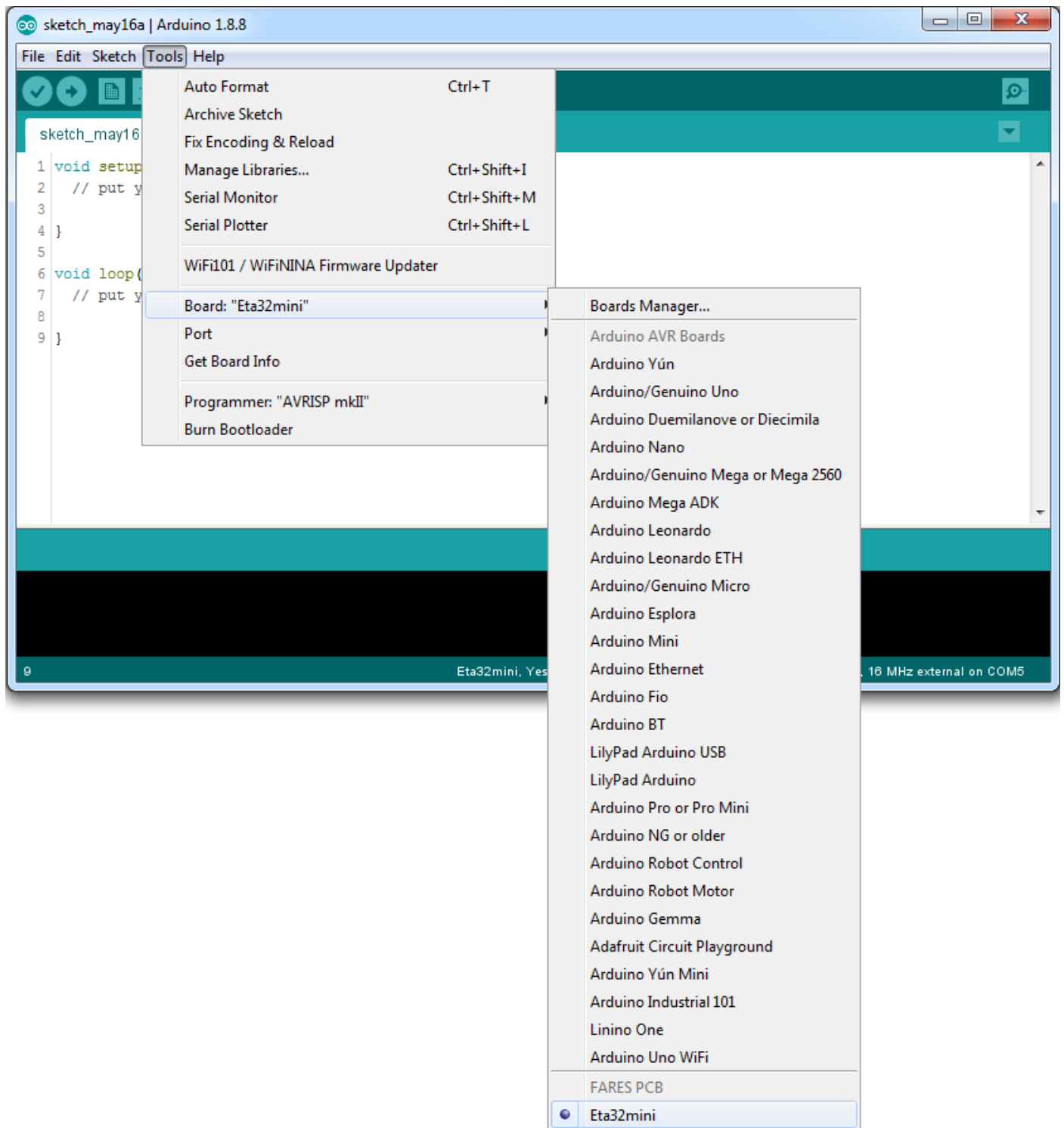
3 - Close Arduino IDE.

4 - Run the self-extracted file (*Eta32miniDuino.exe*) included in CD, and browse to the Arduino IDE installation path (C:\Program Files (x86)\Arduino\hardware), and press Extract button to start extraction



5 - After extraction, *Eta32mini* board is added to Arduino Boards. You can select Eta32mini board as following:

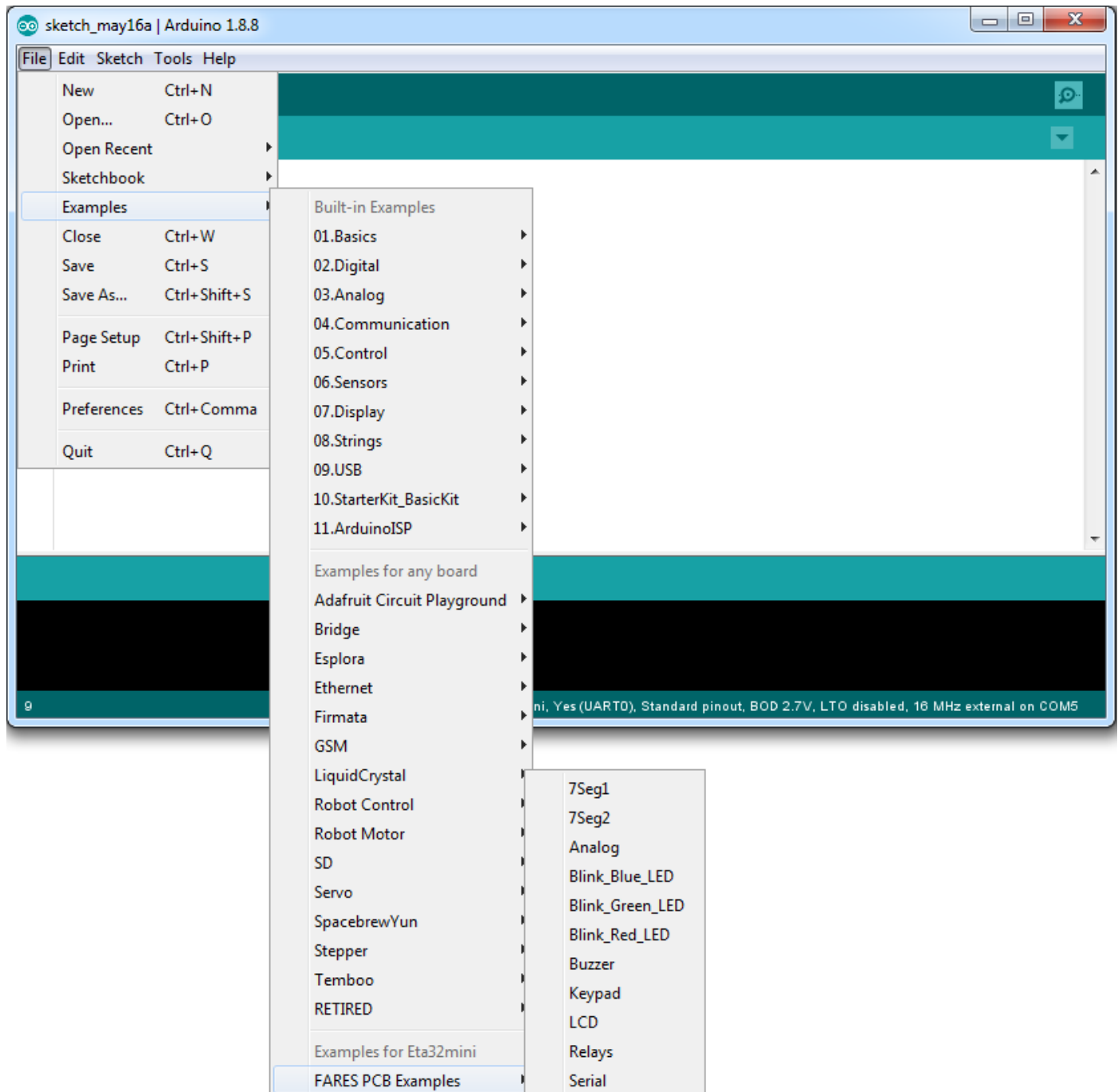
Tools >> Board: >> Eta32mini.





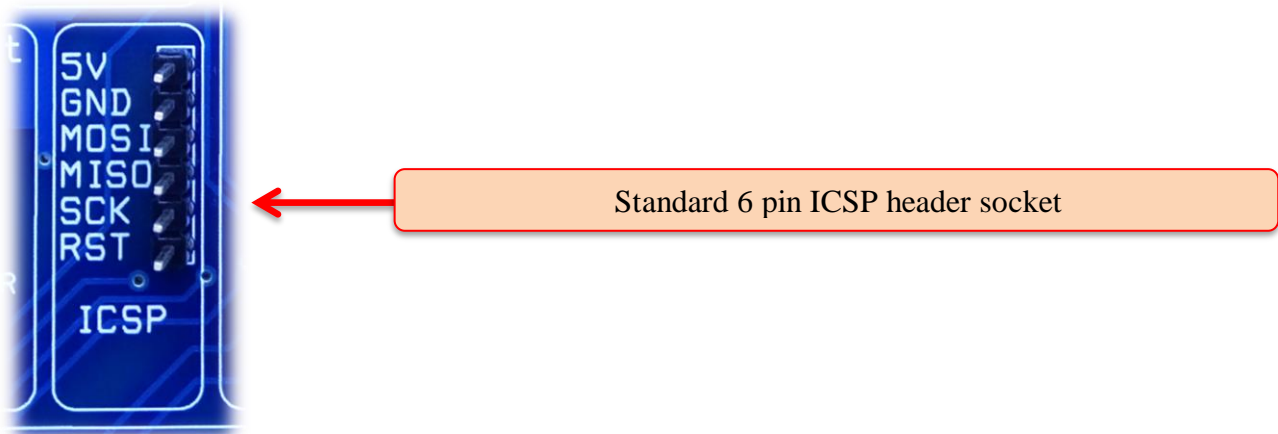
6 - Also, you will find many Arduino example codes to test all units in kit. You can go to:

File >> Examples >> Examples for Eta32mini.



## Programming using external programmer

Although *Eta32mini* is designed mainly to be programmed using bootloader. However, it offers ICSP socket to enable programming using any external programmer that supports standard 6 pin ICSP socket, such as USBasp programmer. Use external programmer to download your own application code or even a bootloader firmware such as Arduino bootloader.

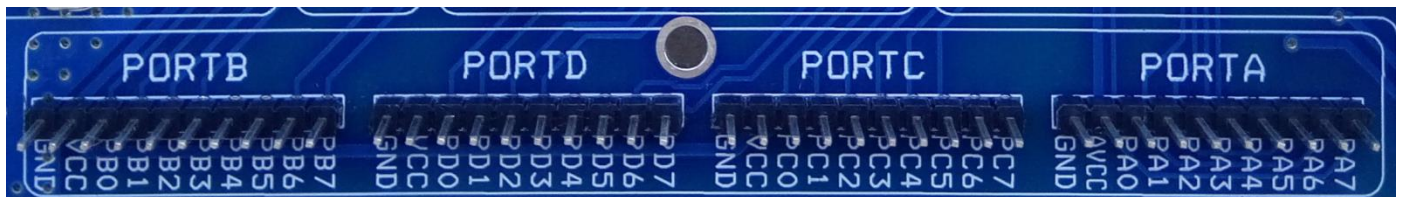


For more details about programming using USBasp programmer, please refer to USBasp CD from FARES PCB products from this link:

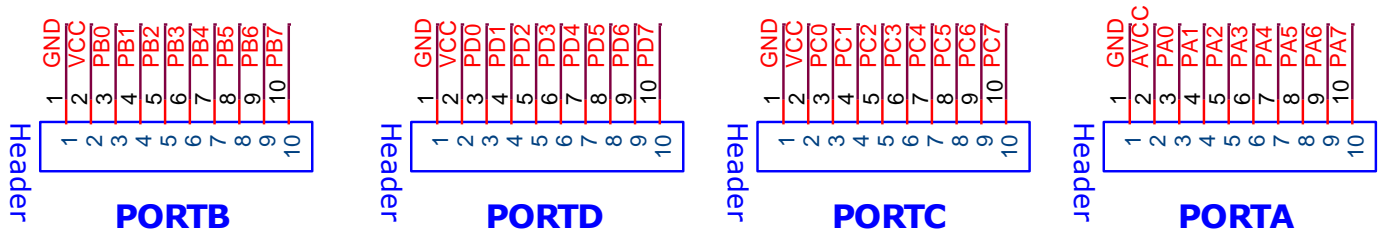
## I/O PORT

In addition to the popular built-in circuits and devices included in *Eta32mini* kit, all microcontroller port pins are brought out for external using via header sockets.

External connectors are grouped into 4 units. Each represents one microcontroller port (8 I/O), in addition to GND and 5V.



Microcontroller port pins



Microcontroller port pins (Schematic)

### **Note:**

Please ensure to disconnect the built-in circuits attached to the port pins intended to use.

## HOW TO START?

### Step1

Install USB driver for ch340.

### Step2

Install *Eta32mini* Software tool.

### Step3

Connect USB cable to *Eta32mini* kit and open *Eta32mini* software tool. *Eta32mini* tool starts to search COM ports and detect kit automatically. If there's a problem in connection, please review USB cable connection to kit and click "Re-Connect" button to try again.

### Step4

Now you are ready to upload your hex code and enjoy working with *Eta32mini* kit. Refer to Programming Using Eta32mini Tool for more details about using Eta32mini IDE.

If it is the first time to use *Eta32mini* kit, you should perform some test operations on kit before start working on it. The CD included with package contains the firmware code required for testing all modules in kit. So, it's recommended to upload this test code before going to your own application firmware to ensure correct functioning.

Upon burning "**Eta32mini\_Test.hex**" code user could test

- Keypad in matrix mode.
  - 2X16 LCD.
  - Outputs unit (Relays, LEDs and Buzzer).
  - 7segments.
  - UART Serial operation.
  - Analog Input.
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- Enable DIP switches of all modules on kit.
  - Set keypad to matrix mode (Set KB Mode to Matrix position).
  - Plug in USB cable.
  - Turn on power switch.
  - Open *Eta32mini* programming tool.
  - Click "LOAD" button to load the test code included in CD (**Eta32mini\_Test.hex**).
  - Click Write button.
  - After programming is completed the microcontroller is reset automatically.

**After power on or reset operation the test sequence is**

1 - Serial module transmits this message to serial port

"FARES PCB Co."

"ATMEL AVR Development kit."

"Eta32mini kit."

"Arduino IDE compatible."

User may receive this statement by HyperTerminal program or any other serial monitor software.

2 - LCD displays the following messages one by one.



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=====



  
Eta32 mini



ATMEL AVR Kit  
Eta32 mini kit

3 - After that this screen is shown



Eta32mini kit  
SW -- is Fressed

4 - If a switch is pressed the microcontroller sends a message to serial port contains the pressed switch number and LCD displays the same message such as





Eta32mini kit  
SW 01 is Pressed

← When switch "1" is pressed



Eta32mini kit  
SW 16 is Pressed

← When switch "16" is pressed

Some switches perform a test operation for specified modules in kit.  
These tests are listed in table below

Switch	Function	
	Serial port / LCD (line2) message	Test operation
SW1	"SW 1 is pressed."	Toggle Relay1 status
SW2	"SW 2 is pressed."	Toggle Relay2 status
SW3	"SW 3 is pressed."	Toggle Blue LED
SW4	"SW 4 is pressed."	Toggle Green LED
SW5	"SW 5 is pressed."	Toggle Red LED
SW6	"SW 6 is pressed."	Digits counts from 00 to 99 and perform auto reset
SW7	"SW 7 is pressed."	LCD displays the analog volt measured on port pin (PA0)
SW8	"SW 8 is pressed."	LCD displays any received text from the serial port in the second line.
SW9	"SW 9 is pressed."	---
SW10	"SW10 is pressed."	---
SW11	"SW11 is pressed."	---
SW12	"SW12 is pressed."	---
SW13	"SW13 is pressed."	---
SW14	"SW14 is pressed."	---
SW15	"SW15 is pressed."	---
SW16	"SW16 is pressed."	---

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