

# LAB #2

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## 1 BACKGROUND

In this exercise, you will design and build an electronic dice similar to [this one](#)<sup>1</sup>.

The device will function as follows:

- The device consists of [ATtiny2313](#), seven LEDs, and two switches
- The device should have an input switch, and upon pressing the switch, a number (selected randomly by the controller) between 1 and 6 should be displayed. As shown in [Figure 1](#), [Figure 3](#) and [Figure 2](#) the LEDs are organized such that when they turn ON, they indicate numbers as on a real dice.
- The device has two switches:
  - RESET\_SWITCH —when the reset switch is pressed, the device turns off all LEDs
  - ROLL\_SWITCH —when the roll switch is pressed, the display should go off momentarily before displaying a random number. This gives feedback to the user that the switch press was recognized by the processor. In the absence of this blanking feature, if the user presses a switch and the next number happens to be the same as the last one, the user may not recognize that.
- The dice should be very compact and small. Thus, use a small microcontroller. For example, the [ATtiny2313](#) will suffice.
- You should follow the industry accepted embedded [coding standard](#)<sup>2</sup>
- The final circuit of the device is shown in [Figure 4](#). Calculate the values of resistors that are required and draw, test and virtually prototype the device in Proteus.

## 2 PROGRAM PSEUDOCODE

The operation of the dice is described in [Algorithm 1](#). At the beginning of the program PORTC pins are configured as outputs and bit 0 of PORTB (RB0) is configured as input. The program

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.spikenzielabs.com/learn/dicekit.html>

<sup>2</sup> [https://barrgroup.com/sites/default/files/barr\\_c\\_coding\\_standard\\_2018.pdf](https://barrgroup.com/sites/default/files/barr_c_coding_standard_2018.pdf)

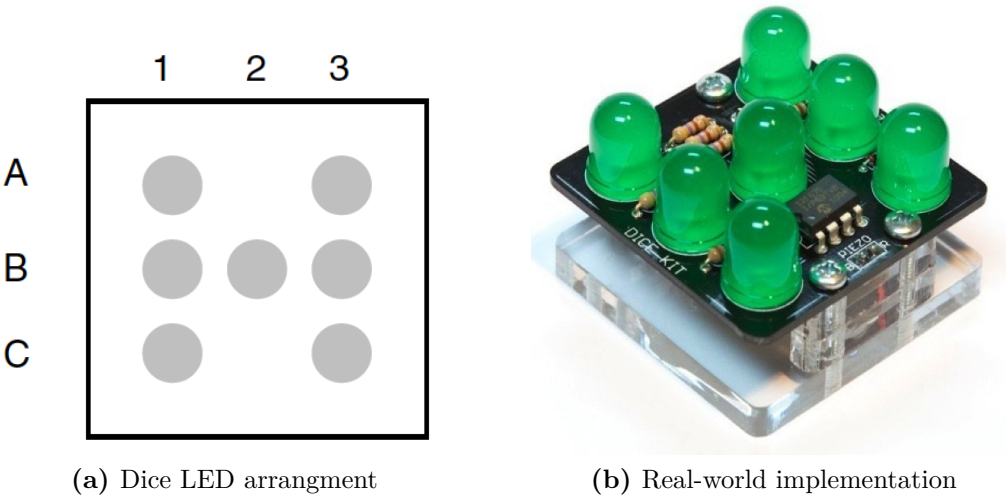


FIGURE 1. Output LED arrangement for the dice.

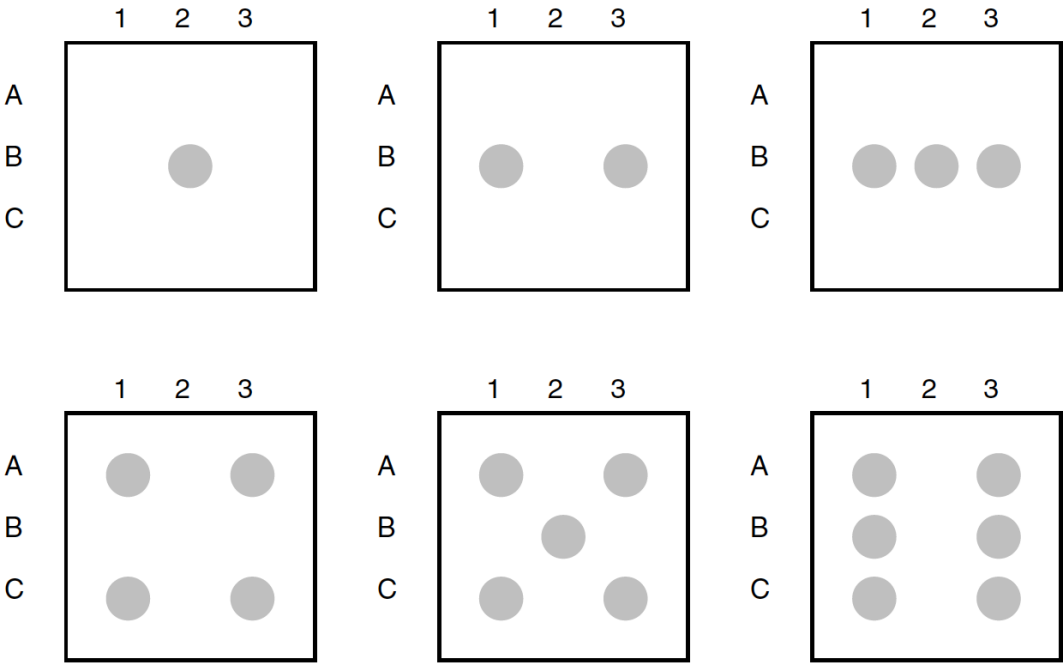
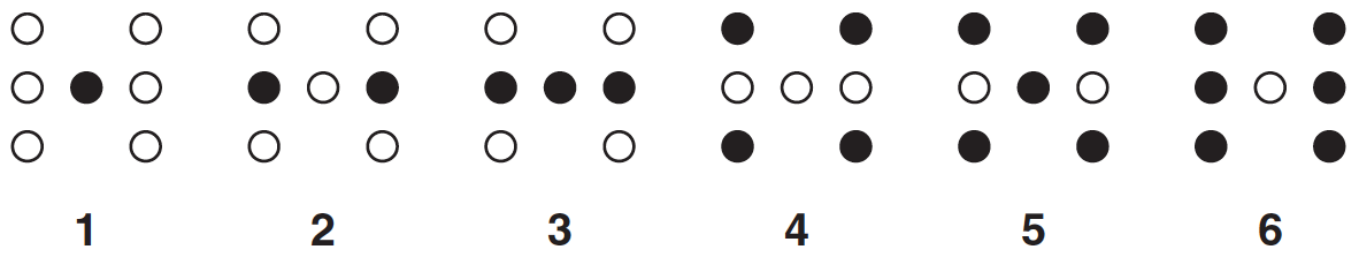


FIGURE 2. LEDs light up in this fashion for the numbers 1 to 6.



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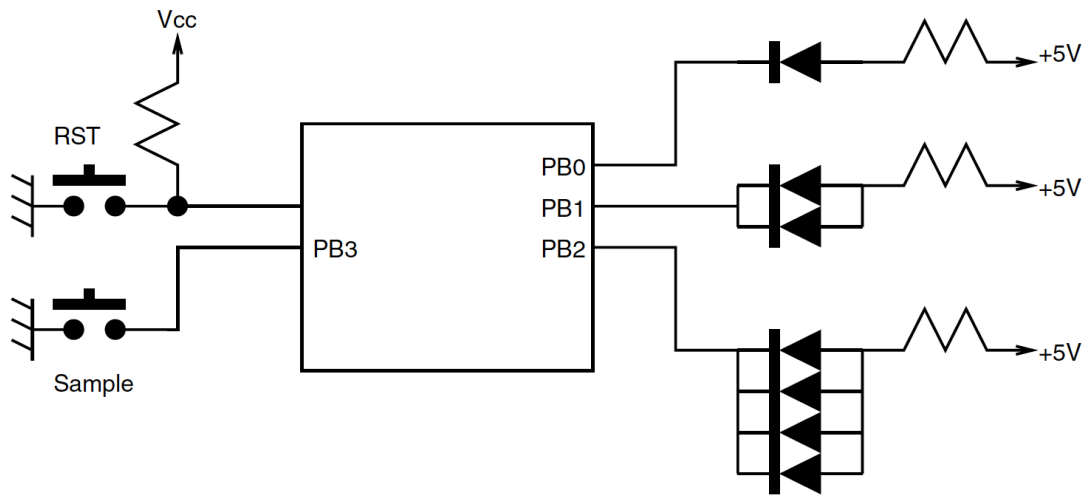
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FIGURE 3. LED layout arrangement and the corresponding digits



**FIGURE 4.** Block diagram for the electronic dice using an ATtiny2313 MCU

then executes in a loop continuously and increments a variable between 1 and 6. The state of the push-button switch is checked and when the switch is pressed (switch output at logic 0), the current number is sent to the LEDs. A simple array is used to find out the LEDs to be turned ON corresponding to the dice number.

#### Algorithm 1: Program Pseudocode to control the dice

##### Input:

- RESET\_SWITCH —when the reset switch is pressed, the device turn off all LED
- ROLL\_SWITCH —when the roll switch is pressed, a new random number is displayed

##### Initialization

- All pins connected to the switches are initialized as inputs
- All pins connected to the LEDs are initialized as outputs
- Turn off all LEDs

end

**Output:** A random number between 1 and 6 displayed on the LED

##### Loop

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if RESET_SWITCH == PRESSED then
    Turn OFF all LEDs
if ROLL_SWITCH == PRESSED then
    Wait for one second
    Generate a new random number
    Turn ON the LEDs corresponding to the random number

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EndLoop

You can use the [AVR Libc](#) to generate the random number. Please refer to its random function, which is described [here](#).