

Arduino: Servo Motors

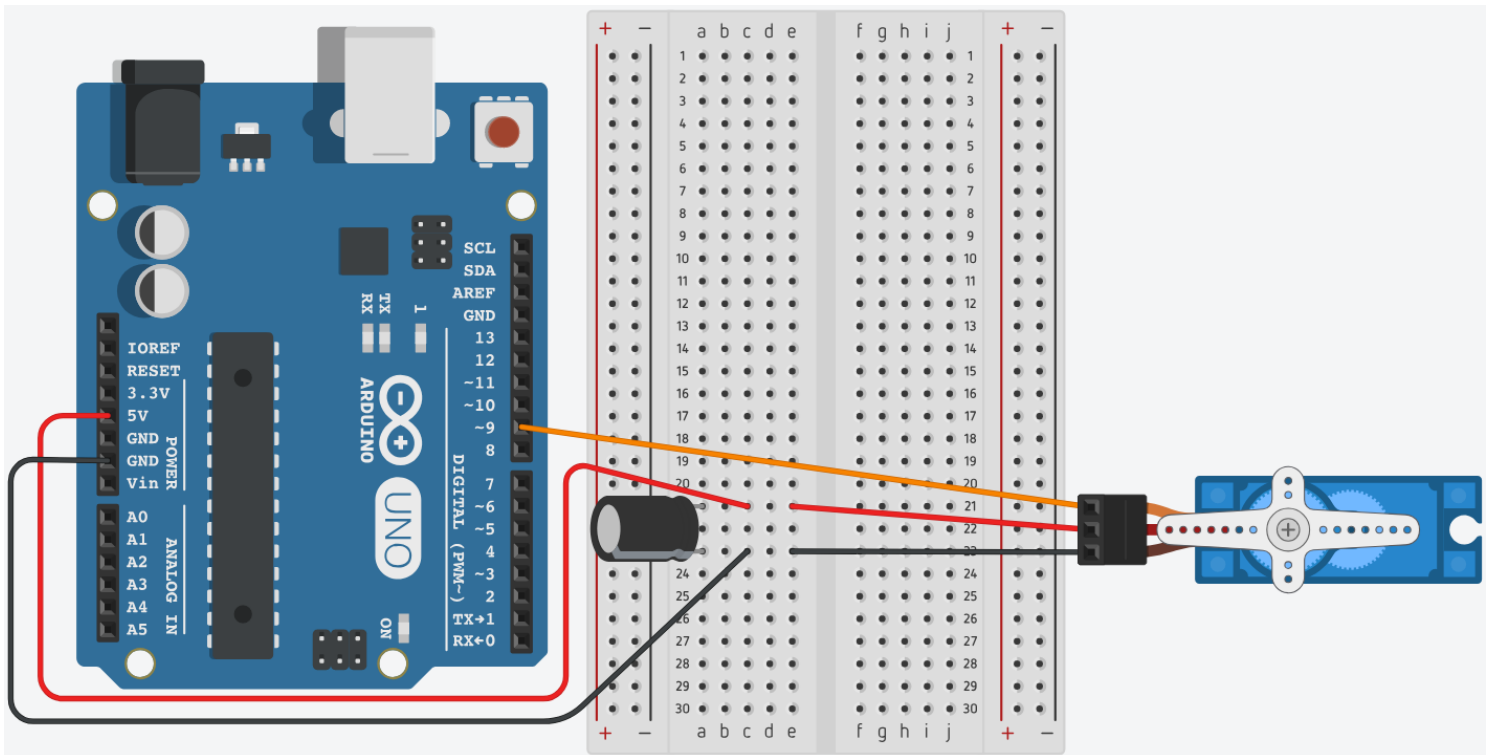
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Project 01: Sweep

Components needed:

- Arduino Uno board
- breadboard
- 5 jumper wires
- Servo motor
- Capacitor - 100 μ F



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/*
Servo 01 : Sweep
Source: Code adapted from Adafruit Arduino - Lesson 14. Servo Motors
(https://learn.adafruit.com/adafruit-arduino-lesson-14-servo-motors)
*/

#include <Servo.h> // indicate that we want to use the Servo library

Servo servo;      // initialize the Servo library

int servoPin = 9; // control lead of servo connected to pin 9

int angle = 0;    // set the initial servo position in degrees

void setup() {
  servo.attach(servoPin); // indicate that servo motor is attached to the servoPin
}

void loop() {
  for(angle = 0; angle < 180; angle++) // counts up from 0 to 180 (max angle) using the variable "angle"
  {
    servo.write(angle); // set the new angle
    delay(15);          // delay between the steps
  }

  for(angle = 180; angle > 0; angle--) // counts down from 0 to 180 (max angle) using the variable "angle"
  {
    servo.write(angle); // set the new angle
    delay(15);          // delay between the steps
  }
}

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Servo 02 : Potentiometer
Source: Code adapted from Arduino.cc Knob (https://www.arduino.cc/en/Tutorial/Knob) and
Sparkfun's Inventor Kit Experiment Guide for Arduino V4.0 – Circuit 3A: Servo Motors
(https://learn.sparkfun.com/tutorials/sparkfun-inventors-kit-experiment-guide---v40/circuit-3a-servo-
motors)
*/

#include <Servo.h> // indicate that we want to use the Servo library

Servo servo; // initialize the Servo library

int servoPin = 9; // control lead of servo connected to pin 9

int potPin = 0; // analog pin used to connect the potentiometer

int val; // variable to read the value from the analog pin
int angle; // variable for the angle that we will calculate

void setup() {
  servo.attach(servoPin); // indicate that servo motor is attached to the servoPin
}

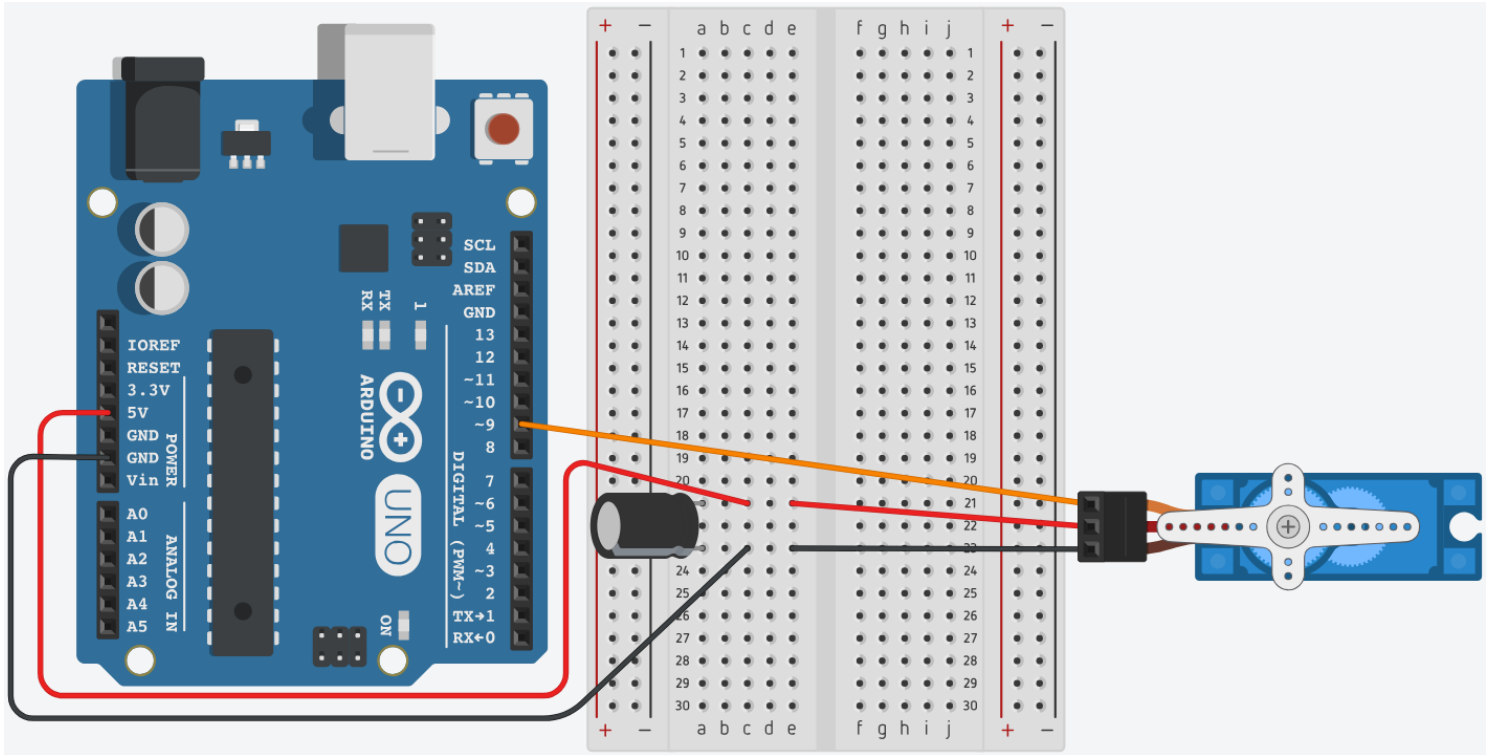
void loop() {
  val = analogRead(potPin); // reads the value of the potentiometer (value between 0 and 1023)
  angle = map(val, 0, 1023, 0, 180); // scale that value to use it with the servo (value between 0 and 180)
  servo.write(angle); // sets the servo position according to the scaled value
  delay(15); // waits for the servo to get there
}

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Project 03: Serial Monitor

Components needed:

- Arduino Uno board
- breadboard
- 5 jumper wires
- Servo motor
- Capacitor - 100 μ F



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/*
Servo 03 : Serial Monitor
Source: Code adapted from Sparkfun's Inventor Kit Experiment Guide for Arduino V3.3 – Experiment 8:
Driving a Servo Motor (https://learn.sparkfun.com/tutorials/sik-experiment-guide-for-arduino---v33/experiment-8-driving-a-servo-motor)
*/

#include <Servo.h> // indicate that we want to use the Servo library

Servo servo; // initialize the Servo library

int servoPin = 9; // control lead of servo connected to pin 9

int angle; // establish the angle variable (to be used later)

void setup() {
  servo.attach(servoPin); // indicate that servo motor is attached to the servoPin
  Serial.begin(9600); // initialize the serial communication

  Serial.println("Type an angle (0-180) into the box above,"); // print two lines of instructions
  Serial.println("then click [send] or press [return]");
  Serial.println(); // and then a blank line
}

void loop() {
  while (Serial.available() > 0) // check to see if incoming data is available
  {
    angle = Serial.parseInt(); // if it is, we'll use parseInt() to pull out any numbers
    angle = constrain(angle, 0, 180); // make sure the number is between 0 & 180

    Serial.print("Setting angle to "); // print a message in the serial monitor with the new angle
    Serial.println(angle);

    servo.write(angle); // move the servo to that angle
  }
}

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Ideas to Build On

Build a simple knock lock that would open the door after knocking on a piezo the correct number of times!
See page 9 of this document. Warning – this one is a bit finicky!

Build a prototype of the automatic sunglasses.

This project uses an Arduino Mini – can you adjust what is found on the website with the materials you have on hand on? Remember, this will just be a prototype!

https://create.arduino.cc/projecthub/ashraf_minhaj/sunglass-bot-an-automated-pair-of-sunglasses-bdd1b6?ref=platform&ref_id=424_trending__&offset=94

Build a simple version of this servo “sunflower” – the motor rotates to follow the light hitting two photoresistors.

https://create.arduino.cc/projecthub/Rick_Findus/arduino-sunflower-c4fd84?ref=tag&ref_id=servo&offset=3

Learn More

Want to learn more about how servo motors, Arduino Libraries and capacitors work? Try these resources:

Adafruit All About Arduino Libraries. Bill Earl.

<https://learn.adafruit.com/adafruit-all-about-arduino-libraries-install-use?view=all>

Adafruit Arduino Lesson 14: Servo Motors. Simon Monk.

<https://learn.adafruit.com/adafruit-arduino-lesson-14-servo-motors?view=all>

Adafruit Tips, Tricks & Techniques: Arduino Libraries. Lady Ada and Tyler Cooper.

<https://learn.adafruit.com/arduino-tips-tricks-and-techniques/arduino-libraries>

Arduino – Libraries. <https://www.arduino.cc/en/Reference/Libraries>

Arduino – Servo Library. <https://www.arduino.cc/en/Reference/Servo>

Arduino Project Handbook. Mark Geddes. 2016. Pg. 78-84.

Arduino Projects Book. Scott Fitzgerald, Michael Shiloh & Tom Igoe. 2012. Pg. 124-134.

With corrections found here: <https://forum.arduino.cc/index.php?topic=175831.0>

Exploring Arduino: Tools and Techniques for Engineering Wizardry. Jeremy Blum. 2013. Pg. 80-86.

How Does a Capacitor Work? Øyvind Nydal Dahl.

<https://www.build-electronic-circuits.com/how-does-a-capacitor-work/>

How Servo Motors Work & How to Control Servos Using Arduino. Dejan Nedelkovski.

<https://howtomechatronics.com/how-it-works/how-servo-motors-work-how-to-control-servos-using-arduino/>

Sparkfun SIK Experiment Guide for Arduino V3.3 – Experiment 8: Driving a Servo Motor.

<https://learn.sparkfun.com/tutorials/sparkfun-inventors-kit-experiment-guide---v40/circuit-4a-lcd-hello-world>

Sparkfun SIK Experiment Guide for Arduino V4.0 – Circuit 3A: Servo Motors.

<https://learn.sparkfun.com/tutorials/sparkfun-inventors-kit-experiment-guide---v40/circuit-3a-servo-motors>

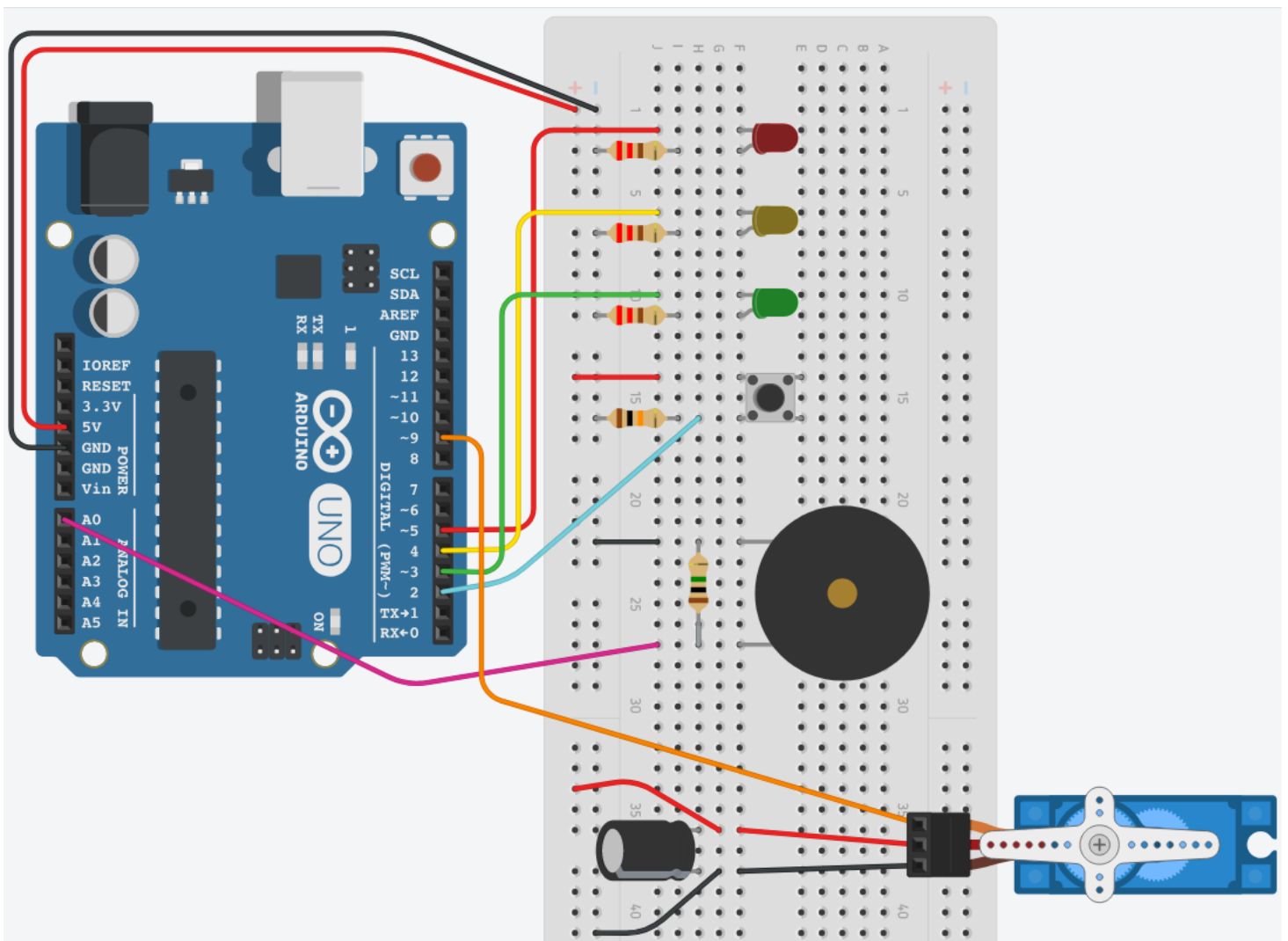
Sparkfun Capacitor Tutorial. <https://learn.sparkfun.com/tutorials/capacitors>

Sparkfun Hobby Servo Tutorial. <https://learn.sparkfun.com/tutorials/hobby-servo-tutorial>

Extra Project: Knock Lock

Components needed:

- Arduino Uno board
- breadboard
- 14 jumper wires
- Servo motor
- Capacitor - 100 μ F
- Push button
- Piezo
- 3 x LEDs (green, yellow, red)
- 3 x 220 ohm resistor
- 10k ohm resistor
- 1 million ohm resistor



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<http://arduino.cc/starterKit>

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#include <Servo.h>
Servo servo9; // Pin connected to servo mpo
const int piezo = A0; // Pin connected to piezo
const int switchPin = 2; // Pin connected to servo
const int yellowLed = 3; // Pin connected to yellow LED
const int greenLed = 4; // Pin connected to green LED
const int redLed = 5; // Pin connected to red LED
int knockVal; // Value for the knock strength
int switchVal;
const int quietKnock = 10; // Set min value that will be accepted
const int loudKnock = 100; // Set max value that will be accepted
boolean locked = false; // A true or false variable
int numberOfKnocks = 0; // Value for number of knocks
void setup() {
  servo9.attach(9);
  pinMode(yellowLed, OUTPUT); // Set LED pins as outputs
  pinMode(greenLed, OUTPUT);
  pinMode(redLed, OUTPUT);
  pinMode(switchPin, INPUT); // Set servo pin as input
  Serial.begin(9600);
  digitalWrite(greenLed, HIGH); // Green LED is lit when the
  // sequence is correct
  servo9.write(0);
  Serial.println("The box is unlocked!");
}
void loop() {
  if (locked == false) {
    switchVal = digitalRead(switchPin);
    if (switchVal == HIGH) {
      locked = true;
      digitalWrite(greenLed, LOW);
      digitalWrite(redLed, HIGH);
      servo9.write(90);
      Serial.println("The box is locked!");
      delay(1000);
    }
  }
  if (locked == true) {
    knockVal = analogRead(piezo); // Knock value is read by analog pin
    if (numberOfKnocks < 3 && knockVal > 0) {
      if (checkForKnock(knockVal) == true) { // Check for correct
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    // number of knocks
    numberOfKnocks++;
}
Serial.print(3 - numberOfKnocks);
Serial.println(" more knocks to go");
}
if (numberOfKnocks >= 3) { // If 3 valid knocks are detected,
    // the servo moves
    locked = false;
    servo9.write(0);
    delay(20);
    digitalWrite(greenLed, HIGH);
    digitalWrite(redLed, LOW);
    Serial.println("The box is unlocked!");
    numberOfKnocks = 0; // resets number of knocks to 0
}
}
}
boolean checkForKnock(int value) { // Checks knock value
    if (value > quietKnock && value < loudKnock) { // Value needs to be
        // between these
        digitalWrite(yellowLed, HIGH);
        delay(50);
        digitalWrite(yellowLed, LOW);
        Serial.print("Valid knock of value ");
        Serial.println(value);
        return true;
    }
    else { // If value is false then send this to the IDE serial
        Serial.print("Bad knock value ");
        Serial.println(value);
        return false;
    }
}
}

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