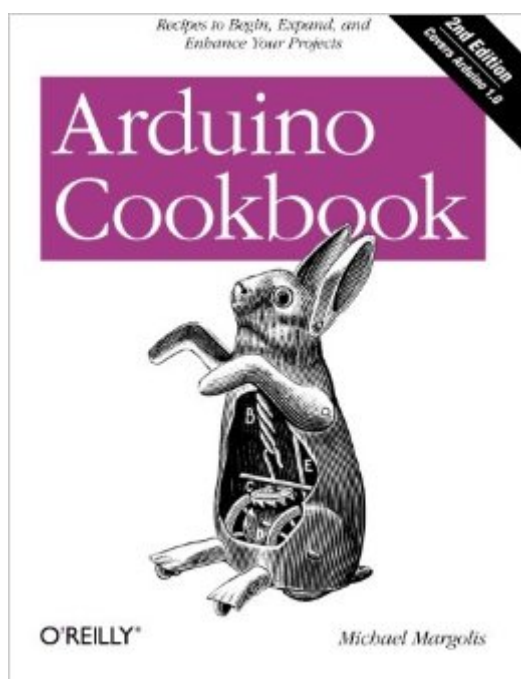


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# Arduino Cookbook, 2nd Edition



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This is the first time I have ever considered returning a book to . I purchased this book based on the great reviews and a brief glance through the online preview pages. However, once I received the book I realized that it is not at all what I am looking for. If you are new to programming, this book

may be great. If you already know how to program but want to learn about the Arduino, this is NOT the book for you. For example, chapters 1-3 discuss basic such as for loops (section 2.14) and the `sqrt()` function (section 3.8). This book works hard to avoid "advanced" subjects such as pointers and `printf`. Even in "Chapter 17: Advanced Coding and Memory Handling", there is barely any mention of heap and stack (SRAM) versus static (flash) memory. Sure, Ch.17 mentions the keyword `PROGMEM` but for any further details, the reader is referred to [...]. I don't need a general discussion of memory management, I bought this book hoping for information on the specific features and quirks of Arduino. Want to learn about Arduino sleep modes? "18.10: Reducing Battery Drain" might seem like a good recipe. Don't bother though, all it does is reprint the most basic example of using the freely available `Narcoleptic` library from `code.google.com`. There is no mention of various Arduino sleep levels, how they may affect your code and what they do to the internal timers. Let's pick a more basic example, how about a real-time clock? There is absolutely no discussion of the hardware side of a real-time clock. On the software side, there are a couple simple examples on using the standard C time library. It's a bit misleading to see `"#include "` in recipe 12.4 (note the brackets). Yes, is a standard C library.

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