# **LESSON 6: BUZZER (ACTIVE)**

## INTRODUCTION

You can use a buzzer whenever you want to make some noise.

#### **COMPONENTS**

- 1x Arduino Uno board
- 1x Breadboard
- 1x USB cable
- 1x Buzzer (Active)
- Jumper wires

### PRINCIPLE

As a type of electronic buzzer with integrated structure, buzzers, which are supplied by DC power, are widely used in computers, printers, photocopiers, alarms, electronic toys, automotive electronic devices, telephones, timers and other electronic products for voice devices. Buzzers can be categorized as active and passive ones (see the following picture). Turn the pins of two buzzers face up, and the one with a green circuit board is a passive buzzer, while the other enclosed with a black tape is an active one.



ACTIVE

PASSIVE

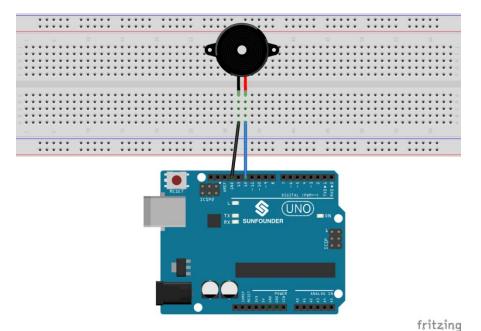
The difference between an active buzzer and a passive buzzer is:

An active buzzer has a built-in oscillating source, so it will make sounds when electrified. But a passive buzzer does not have such source, so it will not tweet if DC signals are used; instead, you need to use square waves whose frequency is between 2K and 5K to drive it. The active buzzer is often more expensive than the passive one because of multiple built-in oscillating circuits.

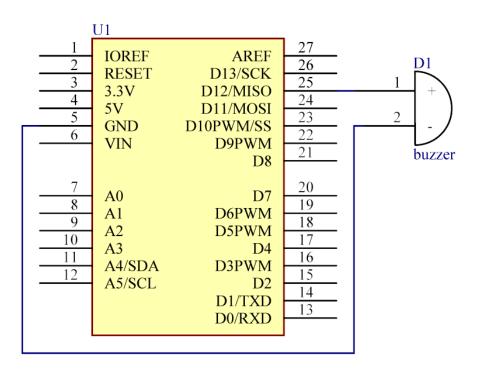
In this experiment, we use the active buzzer.

#### CONNECTION

#### STEP 1: Build the circuit

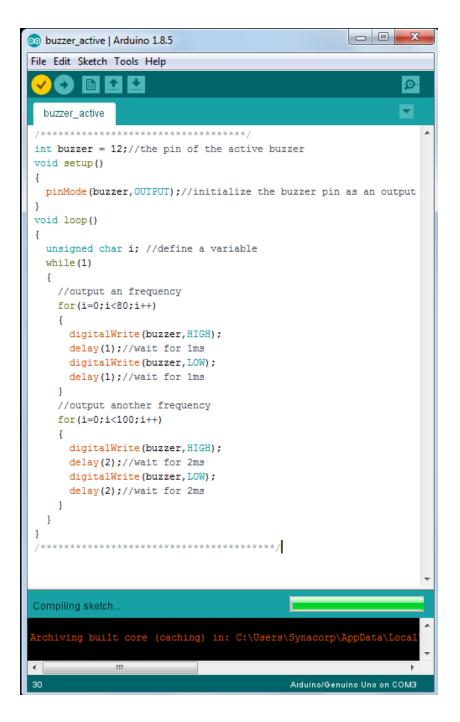


Schematic diagram



#### STEP 2: Program

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/***********************************/
int buzzer = 12;//the pin of the active buzzer
void setup()
{
pinMode(buzzer,OUTPUT);//initialize the buzzer pin as an output
}
void loop()
{
unsigned char i; //define a variable
while(1)
 {
 //output an frequency
 for(i=0;i<80;i++)
 {
  digitalWrite(buzzer,HIGH);
   delay(1);//wait for 1ms
  digitalWrite(buzzer,LOW);
  delay(1);//wait for 1ms
 }
 //output another frequency
 for(i=0;i<100;i++)
  {
   digitalWrite(buzzer,HIGH);
  delay(2);//wait for 2ms
  digitalWrite(buzzer,LOW);
  delay(2);//wait for 2ms
 }
}
}
```



STEP 4: Upload the sketch to Arduino UNO board.



**RESULT:** Now, you should hear the buzzer make sounds.

