

# BotBoarduino Manual.

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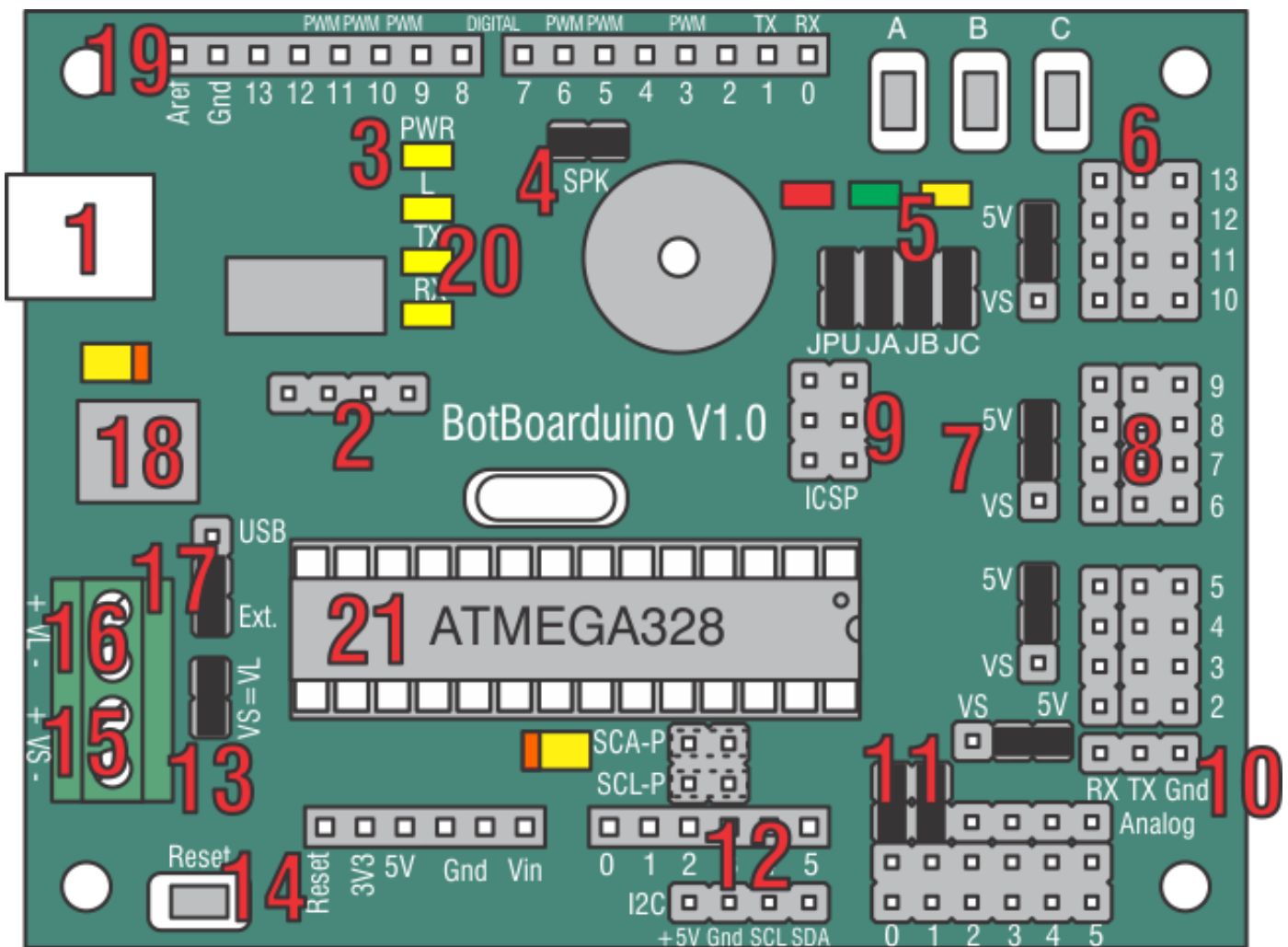
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## BotBoarduino Hardware Information.

The image above illustrates the shorting bar jumpers (the black rectangles) as they are on the board as it is shipped. The jumpers are used to set operating parameters for the board. It should not be assumed that they are correct for your project as changes are likely to be required. Please consult the tutorial for your project for the proper shorting bar jumper positions.

The BotBoarduino is 3.00" x 2.30" with 0.125" holes set in 0.15" from each edge.

1. The BotBoarduino is based on the Arduino Duemilanove. In the Arduino programming environment you must select "Arduino Duemilanove w/ ATmega328". Simply plug a USB Mini cable from this plug to a free USB port on your PC for programming the processor and receiving debug information. For help with USB drivers, go to the [official Arduino page](http://www.lynxmotion.com/images/html/build185.htm).  
To prevent damaging the board's USB port, you must remove the USB

### cable from a MOBILE robot!

2. These four pins are connected to the FTDI's CTS, DSR, DCD, and RI signals. You should never have to worry about these pins. Use them only if you know what you're doing as these pins can prevent the BotBoarduino from being programmed.
3. This is a Power Good LED. When you have successfully applied power to the onboard regulator, the yellow LED will turn on.
4. This shorting bar enables the onboard speaker. To use the speaker, send the appropriate sound generating command to Pin 5. Note, the I/O pin drives a transistor amplifier. It does not drive the speaker directly.
5. The 3 LEDs and Pushbuttons use only 3 I/O lines to make a simple user interface for your program. By making the I/O line a low output the LED can be turned on. By briefly making the I/O line an input the I/O line can be read to see if a button is being pressed. **However, do NOT make the I/O line a high output and press a button, as damage to the I/O pin can occur.** The shorting bars directly above JA, JB, and JC will need to be installed for these LEDs and Pushbuttons to be used.

Chip I/O	PB/LED	
Pin 7	A	Red
Pin 8	B	Green
Pin 9	C	Yellow

6. This is where you connect servos, motor controllers, sensors, etc. to the microcontroller. Use caution when connecting anything the the I/O bus. Never connect anything while the power is on. The outside row is ground, the middle row is power, and the inside row are the IO pins.
7. This is where you configure the I/O bus center row to use VL (+5vdc from the onboard regulator) or VS (direct from the Servo Power Input). This is done in banks of four I/O pins. **Caution, applying the servo voltage to this row with a 5vdc peripheral installed will cause damage to the peripheral.**
8. This port is for connecting a Sony Playstation controller to use as a robot controller. The Lynxmotion, Sony, and Madcatz controllers we tested only required a 1K pullup on Pin 6, which is built into the board and must be enabled by installing a jumper on the JPU. Other brands

may require a pullup on Pin 9, which is not included. Note, some controllers require the green wire to be connected to 7.5vdc to enable vibrating motors, or wireless operation. The Playstation 2 cables' coloring differs from different production runs. Please refer to the table in the [Shorting Bars and Connections section](#) to verify the color coding and connections for your cable.

Pin	PS2 Function
Pin 6	DAT
Pin 7	CMD
Pin 8	ATT
Pin 9	CLK

9. This pin group breaks out the ICSP pins. These allow you to burn a bootloader onto the Atmega328 or program the chip with an external programmer. Do not connect anything to these pins unless you know what you are doing.
10. This connector brings out pins 0 and 1 of the arduino along with ground in such a way that you can connect the BotBoarduino to an SSC-32 with any servo extension cable. **You will need to remove anything connected to these pins while programming.**
11. This allows the VL and/or VS inputs to be connected to two of the AtMega328's analog inputs through a 4:1 voltage divider. For example, if the battery voltage were 9vdc, the analog input would see 2.25vdc.

Chip I/O	Use
A0	V-Servo / General Purpose
A1	V-Logic / General Purpose
A2 - A5	General Purpose

12. These headers bring out analog pins A4 and A5 for use with the I2C communication protocol. To use this header you must install jumpers horizontally across the SDA-P and SCL-P headers.
13. This allows you to power the Servos and Logic from the same battery. It simply connects the VS input to the VL input. Caution, when using this option do NOT use the VL input.
14. This button will reset the micro when pressed. This can be useful for starting different programs depending on which SUI button is pressed on reset.
15. This is the VS (servo voltage) input. Servo voltage can be 4.8vdc to 7.2vdc. However, some micro servos will not tolerate more than 6vdc. This input is used to provide power for the servos only, or to provide power to both VL and VS using the VS=VL jumper. See Item 13.

Board	Input
VS +	RED
VS -	BLACK

16. This is the VL (logic voltage) input. This input is normally used with a 9vdc battery connector to provide power to the microcontroller and anything connected to the 5vdc lines on the board. This input can be used to isolate the VL from the VS (servo voltage).

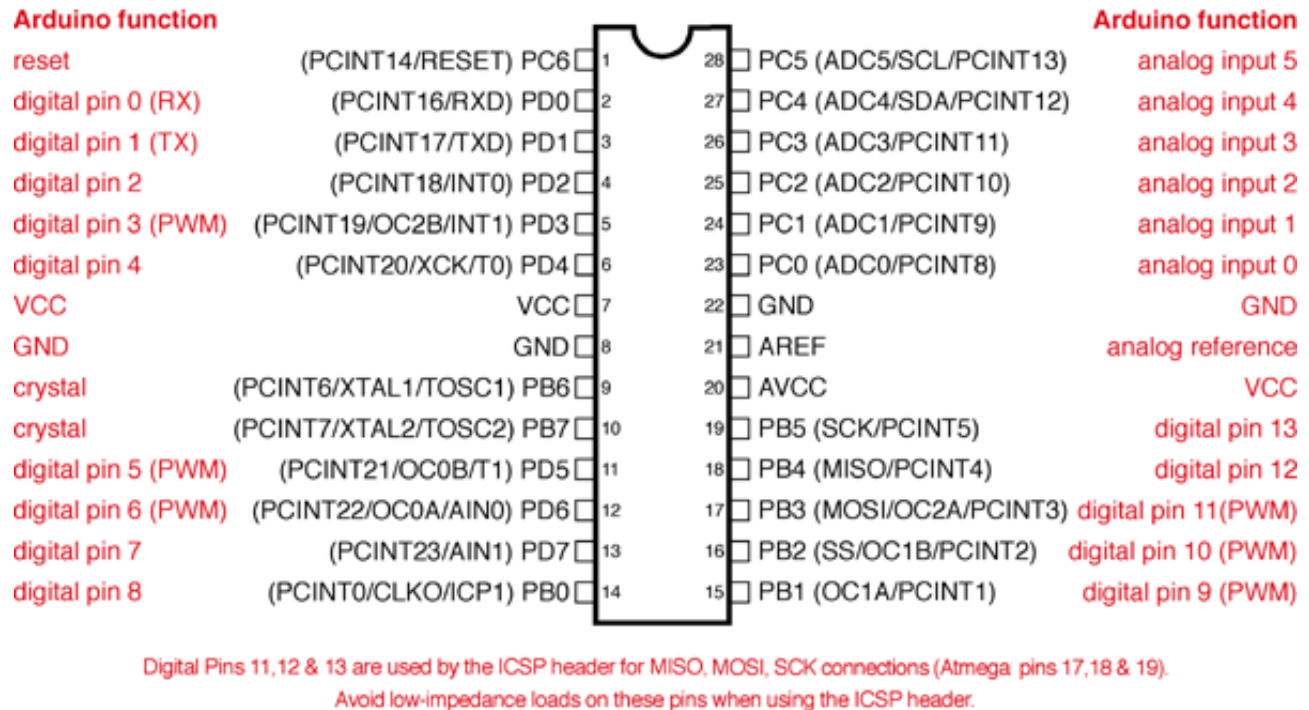
Board	Input
VL +	RED
VL -	BLACK

17. This header selects the Logic Power source for the board. Select USB to power the Logic from the onboard USB port or Select EXT to power the board from the VL terminal.
18. The Low Dropout regulator will provide 5vdc out with as little as 5.4vdc coming in. This is important when operating your robot from a battery. It can accept a maximum of 12vdc in. The regulator is rated for 1.5A.
19. These headers are spaced to accept all Arduino compatible Shields and Extensions.
20. Status LEDs.

LED	Function
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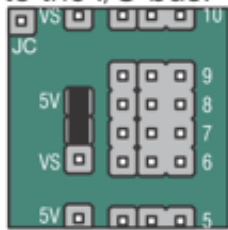
L	Directly connected to P13 on the Arduino chip
TX	Blinks when sending data
RX	Blinks when receiving data

21. This is where the Atmega 328 chip is plugged in. Atmega328 pin map:

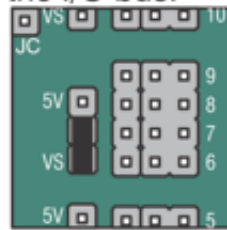


## Shorting Bar Jumpers and Connectors at a glance.

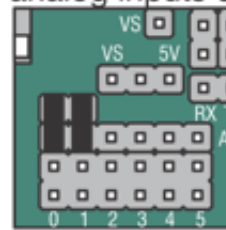
Applies +5vdc to the I/O bus.



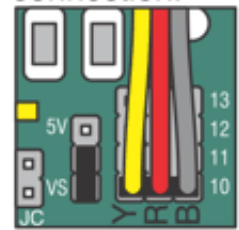
Applies VS to the I/O bus.



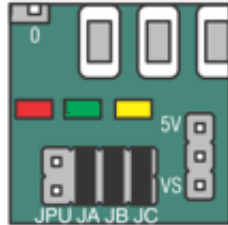
Applies VS and VL to analog inputs 0 and 1.



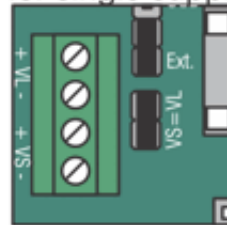
Example servo connection.



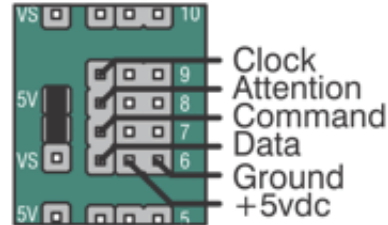
Enables the LEDs and Pushbuttons.



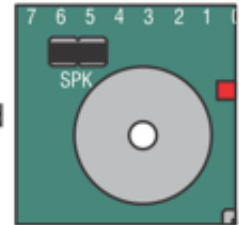
Applies VS to VL for single supply.



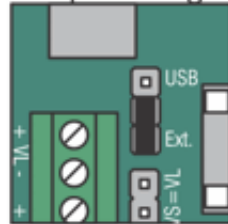
PS2 I/O port connection.



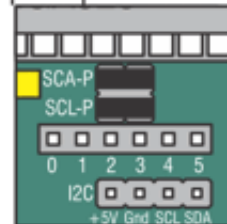
Speaker enable on Pin 5.



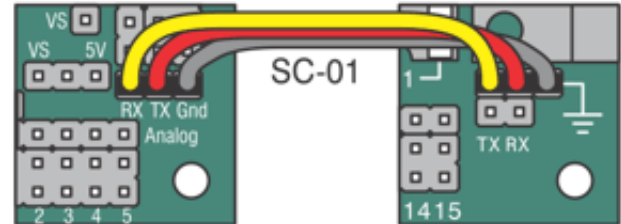
Selects USB or Ext. powering.



Enables I2C pullup resistors.



Bidirectional TTL Serial Communication. BotBoarduino side...

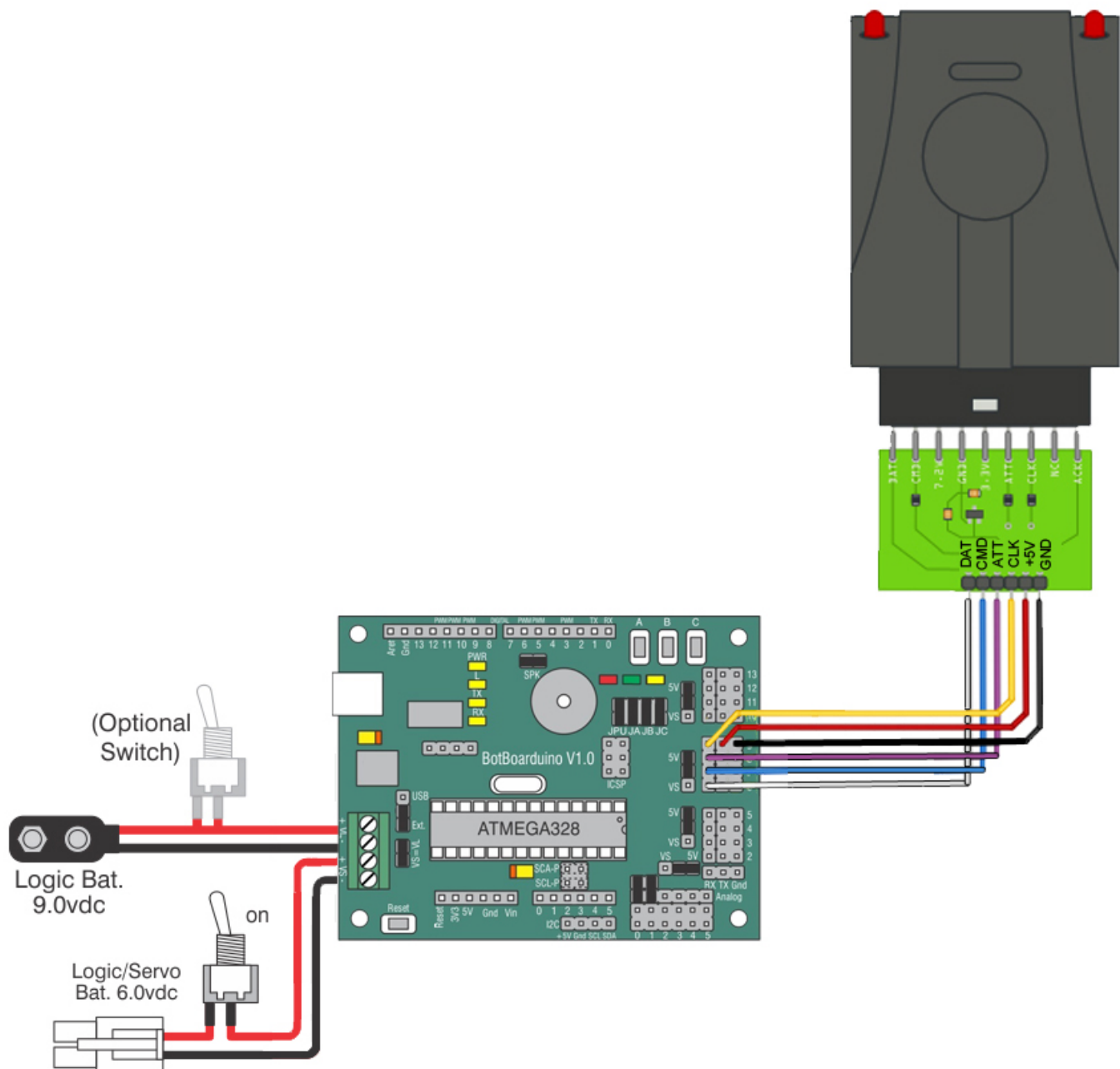


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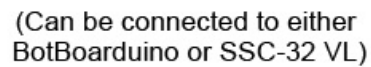
PS2 adapter cable (looking into the cable end)	Cable Function and BB2 Connections		Cable colors (will vary by lot; newest→oldest)		
	ACK	n/c	green	violet	violet
	7.5vdc*	I/O VS	grey	green	green
	+5vdc	I/O 5vdc	red	yellow	yellow
	Ground	I/O Gnd	black/white	red/black	black
	CLK	I/O P15	blue	white	black
	ATT	I/O P14	yellow	blue	blue
	CMD	I/O P13	orange/white	orange	orange
	DAT	I/O P12	brown	brown	brown
	*Required to enable vibrating motors tethered controllers, or for some wireless units.				

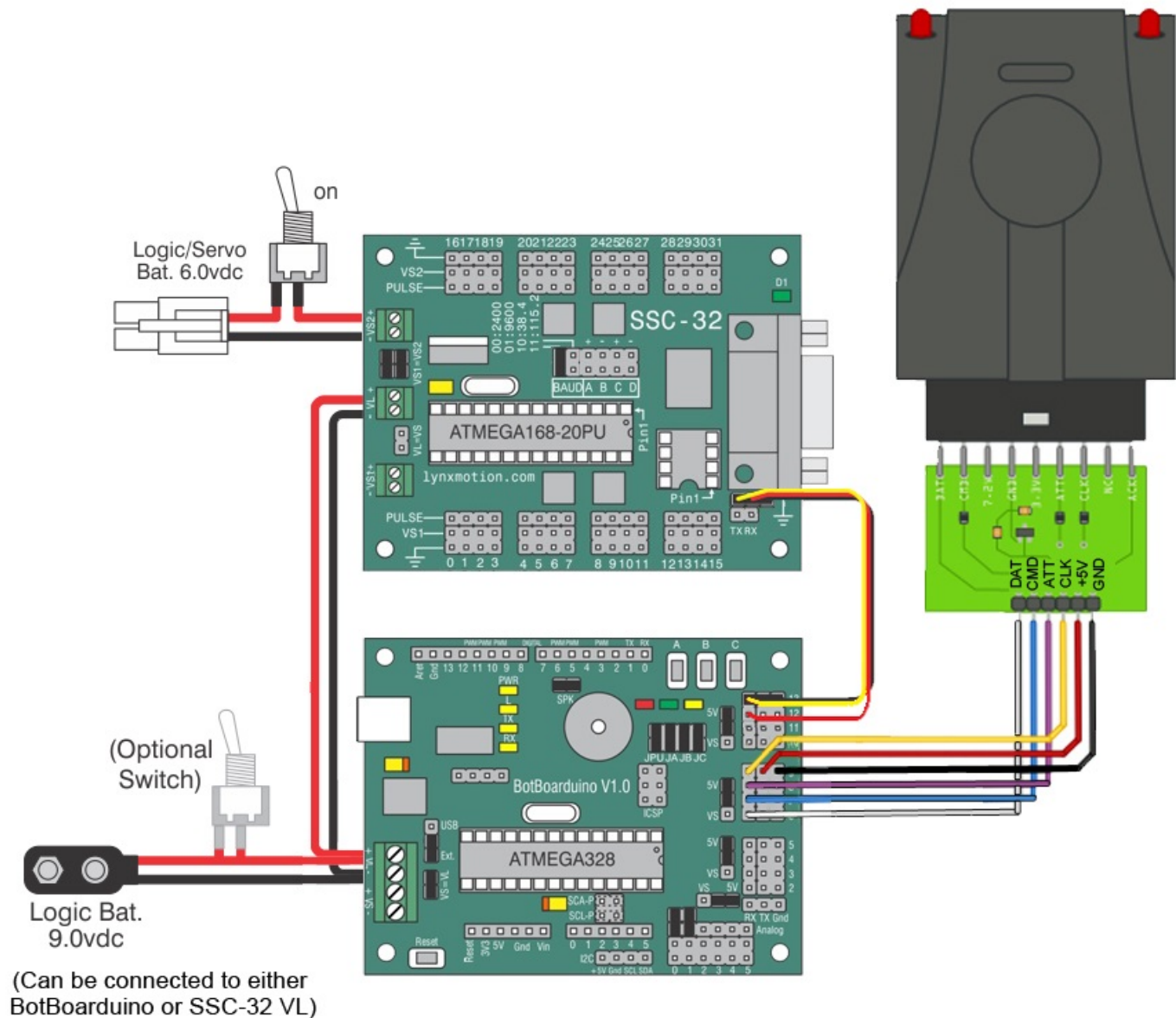
## PS2 / SSC-32 Connections











## Troubleshooting

### General Troubleshooting

The yellow power (PWR) LED should glow if the regulator is getting the proper power. You must make sure to connect the battery or wall pack with the proper polarity. This means the red wire is positive (+) and the black wire is ground (-). **If you connect the battery or wall pack with the polarity reversed, the regulator and the microcontroller can be instantaneously and permanently damaged!** Check your wiring carefully before applying power.

If SSC-32 is connected to RX/TX/Gnd (hardware serial port on pin 0 and 1) it must be removed while programming! This is because the USB port shares the same IO pins.

The maximum voltage for VL is 12vdc. If you use a higher voltage the regulator may overheat and you could get burned!

Confirm that the Atmega 328 chip's notch is aligned with the socket's notch.

In the Arduino programming environment, make sure you have selected "Arduino Duemilanove w/ ATmega328".

The Lynxmotion PS2 controller has issues with the analog mode on the Lynxmotoin left pad (often displaying 0 rather than analog values). We suggest using the joysticks as alternative analog inputs.