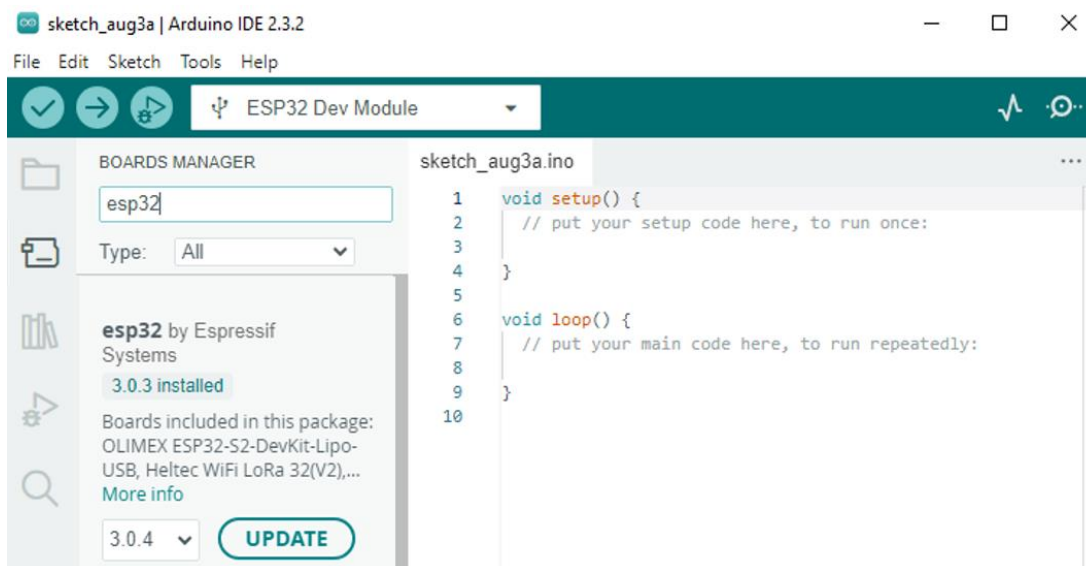


# ARDUINO ESP32 CORE V3

The Espressif IoT (Internet of Things) Development Framework, *esp-idf*, for Espressif SoC (System on a Chip) supports ESP32 microcontrollers by providing Application Programming Interfaces (API). Example APIs are Bluetooth Low Energy, Wi-Fi and memory management. Details of the *esp-idf* are available at [idf.espressif.com](http://idf.espressif.com) and at [github.com/espressif/esp-idf](https://github.com/espressif/esp-idf). The current version for the ESP32 microcontroller is ESP-IDF 5.3.

The *esp-idf* supports the Arduino ESP32 core, which was migrated from versions 2.0.N, based on ESP-IDF 4.4, to version 3.0, based on ESP-IDF 5.1. Currently Arduino IDE version 3.0.4 and ESP-IDF 5.1.4 are available. Details of the Arduino ESP32 core and mapping to the latest ESP-IDF version are available at [docs.espressif.com/projects/arduino-esp32/en/latest](https://docs.espressif.com/projects/arduino-esp32/en/latest) and [github.com/espressif/arduino-esp32/releases](https://github.com/espressif/arduino-esp32/releases), respectively. For the APIs included in "*ESP32 formats and communication*" the migration impacts the BLE, Hall sensor, I2S and LEDC APIs.

ESP32 API libraries are installed in the Arduino IDE by selecting the *Boards Manager* icon in the left side panel or selecting *Board > Boards Manager*, from the *Tools* menu, and entering *esp32* in the *Filter* option to display *esp32 by Espressif Systems* and clicking *Install* or *Update* (see Figure 1-1). The *esp32* files are located at `User\AppData\Local\Arduino15\packages\esp32\hardware\esp32\3.0.4`.



**Figure 0-1** Install *esp32* Boards Manager

# BLE (Bluetooth Low Energy)

Following the migration to Arduino ESP32 core 3.0, the parameter type `std::string` is replaced with the Arduino style `String` and the `BLEScanResults` is changed to `BLEScanResults*`, which includes a pointer. Several Listings require changing `std::string` and Listing 5-10 requires the `BLEScanResults` update.

In the *setBeacon* function of Listings 5-2, 5-3, 5-4 and 5-11, replace `std::string` with `String`:

```
// advertData.setServiceData(BLEUUID(UUID), std::string(beaconData, N));  
advertData.setServiceData(BLEUUID(UUID), String(beaconData, N));
```

in Listing 5-5,

```
// std::string serviceData = "";  
String serviceData = "";
```

and in the class `RXCharCallback`, void `onWrite` function of Listing 5-8,

```
// std::string str = RXChar->getValue();  
String str = RXChar->getValue();
```

Finally, in the *loop* function of Listing 5-10, include the two changes:

```
// BLEScanResults res = BLEScan->start(scan, false);  
BLEScanResults *res = BLEScan->start(scan, false);  
// Serial.printf("%d Devices found\n", res.getCount());  
Serial.printf("%d Devices found\n", res->getCount());
```

## Hall sensor

The Hall sensor is no longer supported. Listing 13-4 must be compiled and loaded with Arduino ESP32 core version 2.0.17.

## I2S

With Arduino ESP32 core version 3.0.4 installed, sketches including the *M5Core2* library or the *Audio* library by Wolle will not compile (see *ESP32 core versions* section). For an M5Stack Core2 module, the solution is to define the module with the *Board>M5Stack>M5Core2* option, which loads Arduino ESP32 core version 2.1.1. For an ESP32 microcontroller, the Arduino ESP32 core version 3.0.4 must be replaced with Arduino ESP32 core version 2.1.17 in the *Boards Manager* option.

In Chapter 2 *I2S Audio*, sketches including the *M5Core2* library are

2-1, 2-2 and 2-3 Display audio signal and FFT

2-5 Internet radio minimal sketch

2-6 and 2-7 Internet radio, parse text  
2-9 and 2-10 Play MP3 files, SD card file structure  
2-12 Bluetooth signal to M5Stack Core2  
2-13 Bluetooth and M5Stack Core2 (colour squares)  
2-15 Bluetooth signal from M5Stack Core2

Sketches for an ESP32 microcontroller, which include the *Audio* library, are:

2-4 Internet radio with an ESP32 module	accesses Audio library, use Arduino 2.0.17
2-8 MP3 files on an SD card and I2C decoder	accesses Audio library, use Arduino 2.0.17

Details of the I2S API are available at [docs.espressif.com/projects/arduino-esp32/en/latest/api/i2s.html](https://docs.espressif.com/projects/arduino-esp32/en/latest/api/i2s.html). Following development of the I2S API, Phil Schatzmann recommends use of the *AudioTools* library rather than the *ESP32-A2DP* library (see [www.pschatzmann.ch/home/2024/04/07/esp32-a2dp-redesigning-the-i2s-output](http://www.pschatzmann.ch/home/2024/04/07/esp32-a2dp-redesigning-the-i2s-output)). The *ESP32-A2DP* library website (see [github.com/pschatzmann/ESP32-A2DP](https://github.com/pschatzmann/ESP32-A2DP)) provides example sketches incorporating the *AudioTools* library, which is available at [github.com/pschatzmann/arduino-audio-tools](https://github.com/pschatzmann/arduino-audio-tools). The additional libraries *arduino-libhelix* (see [github.com/pschatzmann/arduino-libhelix](https://github.com/pschatzmann/arduino-libhelix)) and the *SdFat* library by Bill Greiman, available at [github.com/greiman/SdFat](https://github.com/greiman/SdFat), are also required. The *AudioTools* library must be installed from the downloaded .zip file and not through the Arduino IDE. Current library versions are: *ESP32-A2DP* (1.8.3) *AudioTools* (0.9.8), *libhelix* (0.8.5) and *SdFat* (2.2.3).

The *ESP32-A2DP* library example sketch of *bt\_music\_receiver\_to\_internal\_dac*, for an ESP32 microcontroller, outputs the received audio data, as transmitted with the Bluetooth protocol, on an internal DAC (Digital to Analog Conversion) (see Listing 1-1). The *Huge APP (3MB No OTA/1MB SPIFFS)* Partition Scheme must be selected from the Arduino IDE *Tools* menu. The *BluetoothA2DPSink* library is a subset of the *ESP32-A2DP* library. A powered speaker is connected to GND and to one of the ESP32 microcontroller DAC output pins of GPIO 25 and 26.

**Listing 0-1 Bluetooth signal to an ESP32 microcontroller with DAC output**

```
#include <AudioTools.h>                                // include AudioTools and
#include <BluetoothA2DPSink.h>                          // BluetoothA2DPSink libraries
AnalogAudioStream BT;                                  // DAC output
BluetoothA2DPSink a2dp_sink(BT);                       // receive audio by Bluetooth

void setup()
{
  Serial.begin(115200);                                // Serial Monitor baud rate
  Serial.println("I2C and DAC");
  a2dp_sink.start("BTmusic");                          // output audio on DAC
}

void loop()
```

```
{}
```

Sound quality is improved with a higher resolution DAC than the ESP32 microcontroller 8-bit DAC. The *ESP32-A2DP* library example sketch of *bt\_music\_receiver\_simple*, for an ESP32 microcontroller, outputs received audio data to a PCM5102 I2S decoder module (see Listing 1-2). The *Huge APP (3MB No OTA/1MB SPIFFS)* Partition Scheme must be selected from the Arduino IDE *Tools* menu. Listing 1-2 replaces Listing 2-11 in *ESP32 Formats and Communication*. Listing 1-2 differs from Listing 1-1 by replacement of `AnalogAudioStream BT` with `I2SStream BT`.

**Listing 0-2 Bluetooth signal to an ESP32 microcontroller with PCM5102 decoder**

```
#include <AudioTools.h>
#include <BluetoothA2DPSink.h>
I2SStream BT;                                     // I2S output
BluetoothA2DPSink a2dp_sink(BT);

void setup()
{
  Serial.begin(115200);
  Serial.println("I2C and PCM5102");
  auto config = BT.defaultConfig();                // configure I2S output GPIO
  config.pin_bck = 27;                             // bit clock (SCK or BCLK)
  config.pin_ws = 25;                               // word select (WS or LRCK)
  config.pin_data = 26;                             // serial data (SD or SDOUT)
  BT.begin(config);
  a2dp_sink.start("BTmusic");
}

void loop()
{}
```

No change is required to Listing 2-14 in *ESP32 Formats and Communication* as the *AudioTools* library is already included in the sketch. Listing 2-14 is developed from the *examples-communication/a2dp/player-sdfat-a2dp* example sketch in the *AudioTools* library. Similarly, no change is required to Listing 2-16 in *ESP32 Formats and Communication* as the sketch scans for Bluetooth devices, which does not require the I2S API.

## ledc

Details of the *ledc* API are available at [docs.espressif.com/projects/arduino-esp32/en/latest/api/ledc.html](https://docs.espressif.com/projects/arduino-esp32/en/latest/api/ledc.html).

Brightness of an LED was controlled by defining the GPIO pin connected to the LED, *LEDpin*, the square wave frequency, *freq*, the PWM resolution, *resol*, the scaled duty cycle, *scalduty*, and the output channel, *channel*, with the instructions:

```
int LEDpin = 4, freq = 5000, resol = 8, scalduty = 128, channel = 0;
ledcAttachPin(LEDpin, channel)
ledcSetup(channel, freq, resol)
ledcWrite(channel, scalduty)
```

where 8, 10 or 12-bit resolution corresponds to  $2^8 = 256$ , 1024 or 4096 levels of LED brightness, the scaled duty cycle is the duty cycle percentage multiplied by  $2^N - 1$ , for resolution  $N$ , and a channel value between 0 and 15.

Following the migration to Arduino ESP32 core 3.0, the `ledcAttachPin` and `ledcSetup` instruction are combined to `ledcAttach(LEDpin, freq, resol)`, as a channel is automatically assigned. LED brightness is defined with the `ledcWrite(LEDpin, scaleduty)` instruction, with the `ledcRead(LEDpin)` and `ledcReadFreq(LEDpin)` instructions returning the scaled duty cycle and frequency, respectively. The `ledcRead(LEDpin)` instruction has 10-bit resolution.

Similar to the Arduino `analogWrite` instruction, the brightness of an LED is controlled with the `analogWrite(LEDpin, scaleduty)` instruction, which has 8-bit resolution and values between 0 and 255. The frequency must first be defined with the `analogWriteFrequency(LEDpin, freq)` instruction.

Square waves with 50% duty cycle are generated with the `ledcWriteTone(LEDpin, freq)` instruction. Square waves for set musical frequencies are generated with the

`ledcWriteNote(LEDpin, note[i], octave)` instruction, with the *note* array defined as:

```
note_t note[] = {NOTE_C, NOTE_Cs, NOTE_D, NOTE_Eb, NOTE_E, NOTE_F,
                 NOTE_Fs, NOTE_G, NOTE_Gs, NOTE_A, NOTE_Bb, NOTE_B};
```

The default frequency of *note A* is 220Hz, which is the third octave. The underlying values of the *note\_t* class for the *note* array are  $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 11\}$  with `NOTE_C` equal to *note\_t* class value 0. The frequency of a note, which is  $N$  notes from a *baseline* note, is  $\text{baselineHz} \times 2^{N/12}$ , such as `NOTE_C` =  $220 \times 2^{3/12} = 262\text{Hz}$ . The maximum frequency of the `ledcWriteNote` instruction is 7902Hz, equal to `NOTE_B` and octave 8.

The sketch in Listing 1-1 illustrates the range of *ledc* instructions with separate functions for changing the duty cycle, changing the frequency and creating frequencies for musical notes. A delay is required between the `ledcWrite` and `ledcRead` instructions, with the `analogWriteFrequency` instruction preceding the `analogWrite` instruction. Note that the resolution of the `analogWrite`, `ledcWriteTone` and `ledcWriteNote` instructions is 8, 10 and 10-bit, respectively.

### Listing 0-3 *ledc*

```
int LEDpin = 2;                                // define LED GPIO
int freq = 5000, resol = 12;                    // frequency and resolution
int steps = 20, val, bright, change = 10;
int lag = 1000;
float increm, duty;
note_t note[] = {NOTE_C, NOTE_Cs, NOTE_D, NOTE_Eb, NOTE_E, NOTE_F,
                 NOTE_Fs, NOTE_G, NOTE_Gs, NOTE_A, NOTE_Bb, NOTE_B};
```

```

int octave = 5;

void setup()
{
    Serial.begin(115200); // Serial Monitor baud rate
    ledcAttach(LEDpin, freq, resol); // set frequency
    increm = 1.0 * (pow(2,resol)-1)/steps; // incremental step size
    Serial.printf("increm %.1f \n", increm);
}

void loop()
{
    fn_ledcWrite(); // call functions to
    fn_analogWrite(); // illustrate ledc
    fn_writeTone(); // instructions
    fn_writeNote();
}

void fn_ledcWrite() // function to change duty cycle
{ // with ledcWrite
    Serial.println("\n      write read duty");
    for (int i=0; i<steps; i++) // freq 5k
    {
        bright = i * increm;
        ledcWrite(LEDpin, bright); // scaled duty cycle
        delay(lag);
        val = ledcRead(LEDpin); // read LED scaled duty cycle
        duty = 100.0 * val/(pow(2, resol)-1); // calculate duty cycle%
        Serial.printf("write %d %d %.1f%% \n", bright, val, duty);
    }
    delay(1000);
}

void fn_analogWrite() // function to change duty cycle
{ // with analogWrite
    analogWriteFrequency(LEDpin, freq/2); // set frequency for analogWrite
    Serial.println("\n      write read duty");
    for (int i=255; i>0; i=i-change)
    {
        analogWrite(LEDpin, i); // 8-bit resolution
        delay(lag);
        val = ledcRead(LEDpin);
        duty = 100.0 * val/(pow(2, 8)-1);
        Serial.printf("analog %d %d %.1f%% \n", i, val, duty);
    }
    delay(1000);
}

void fn_writeTone() // function to set frequency
{ // ledcWriteTone
    ledcWriteTone(LEDpin, freq); // square wave 50% duty cycle
    delay(lag);
    val = ledcRead(LEDpin);
    duty = 100.0 * val/(pow(2, 10)-1); // 10 bit resolution
    Serial.println("\n      duty");
    Serial.printf("tone %.1f%% \n", duty);
    delay(1000);
}

```

```

void fn_writeNote()                                     // function for music frequencies
{                                                       // with ledcWriteNote
  Serial.println("\n      duty freq");
  for (int i=0; i<12; i++)
  {
    ledcWriteNote(LEDpin, note[i], octave);
    delay(lag);
    duty = 100.0*ledcRead(LEDpin) / (pow(2, 10)-1);    // 10-bit resolution
    val = ledcReadFreq(LEDpin);
    Serial.printf("note %d %.1f%% %dHz \n", i, duty, val);
  }
  ledcChangeFrequency(LEDpin, freq, resol);           // reset frequency
  delay(1000);
}

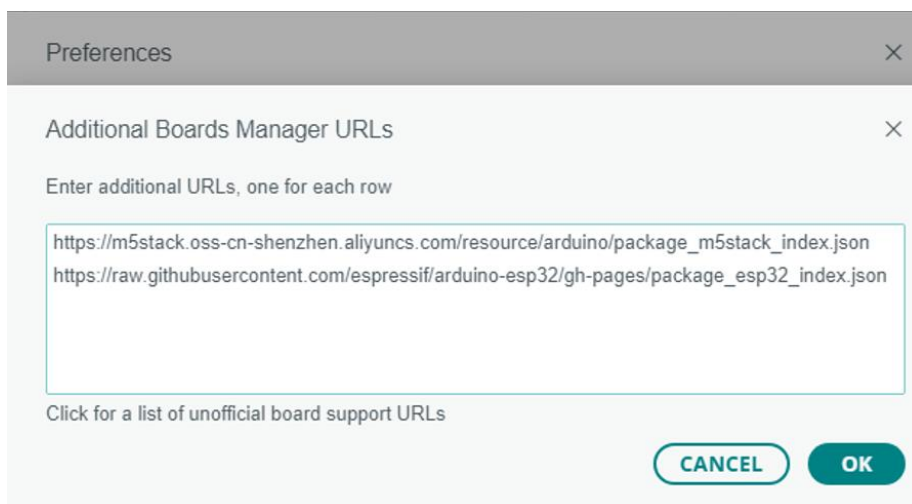
```

## ESP32 core versions

In the Arduino IDE, select *File>Preferences* and in the *Additional Boards Manager URLs* box enter the URLs for the esp32 and M5Stack (see Figure 1-2):

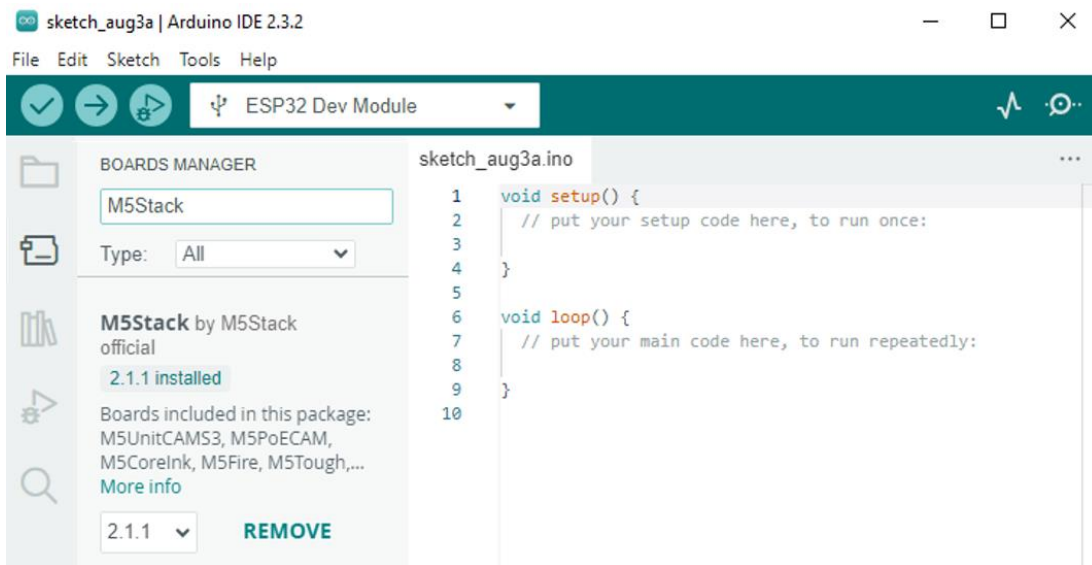
[https://m5stack.oss-cn-shenzhen.aliyuncs.com/resource/arduino/package\\_m5stack\\_index.json](https://m5stack.oss-cn-shenzhen.aliyuncs.com/resource/arduino/package_m5stack_index.json)

[https://raw.githubusercontent.com/espressif/arduino-esp32/gh-pages/package\\_esp32\\_index.json](https://raw.githubusercontent.com/espressif/arduino-esp32/gh-pages/package_esp32_index.json)



**Figure 0-2** Arduino IDE Additional Boards Manager URLs

The *esp32* and *M5Stack* libraries are installed in the Arduino IDE by selecting the *Boards Manager* icon in the left side panel or selecting *Board>Boards Manager*, from the *Tools* menu. In the *Filter* option, enter *esp32* and *M5Stack* to display *esp32* by *Espressif Systems* and *M5Stack* by *M5Stack official*, respectively, then click *Install* or *Update* (see Figures 1-1 and 1-3). The *esp32* and *M5Stack* files are located at *User\AppData\Local\Arduino15\packages\esp32\hardware\esp32\3.0.4* and in *User\AppData\Local\Arduino15\packages\m5stack\hardware\esp32\2.1.1*. Note that the *Boards Manager* options of *esp32* and *M5Stack* correspond to the *esp32* library versions 3.0.4 and 2.1.1, respectively.



**Figure 0-3** Install M5Stack Boards Manager

Prior to compiling and loading a sketch, an M5Stack Core2 module is defined in the Arduino IDE *Tools* menu by selecting *Board>esp32>M5Core2* or *Board>M5Stack>M5Core2*, which map the *m5stack\_core2* board to either Arduino ESP32 core version 3.0.4 or 2.1.1, respectively. When the *Board>esp32>M5Core2* option is selected, the Arduino IDE output panel displays :

```
FQBN: esp32:esp32:m5stack_core2
Using board 'm5stack_core2' from platform in folder:
User\AppData\Local\Arduino15\packages\esp32\hardware\esp32\3.0.4
```

defining the FQBN (Fully Qualified Board Name) of an *m5stack\_core2* board with an *esp32* core, which is Arduino ESP32 core 3.0.4. In contrast, when the *Board>M5Stack>M5Core2* option is selected, the Arduino ESP32 core 2.1.1 is loaded, as indicated in the Arduino IDE output panel:

```
FQBN: m5stack:esp32:m5stack_core2
Using board 'm5stack_core2' from platform in folder:
C:\Users\neil\AppData\Local\Arduino15\packages\m5stack\hardware\esp32\2.1.1
```

## Map to Arduino ESP32 core

Sketches including the *M5Core2* library will not compile with the Arduino ESP32 core version 3.0.4, so an M5Stack Core2 module must currently (August 2024) be defined with the *Board>M5Stack>M5Core2* option to load Arduino ESP32 core version 2.1.1. The compilation error message is:

```
User \Documents\Arduino\libraries\M5Core2\src\M5Display.h: In member function
'void M5Display::startWrite()':
User \Documents\Arduino\libraries\M5Core2\src/utility/In_eSPI.h:231:5: error:
'GPIO' was not declared in this scope
  231 |         GPIO.out_wltc = (1 << TFT_CS); \
```



## Audio library

Sketches including the *Audio* library by Wolle (schreibfaul1) will not compile with the Arduino ESP32 core version 3.0.4, which is based on ESP-IDF 5.1, as an internal DAC is not recognised with respect to I2S. Sketches with an ESP32 microcontroller must be compiled and loaded with Arduino ESP32 core version 2.0.17.

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