Local Connectivity

nRF24L01+

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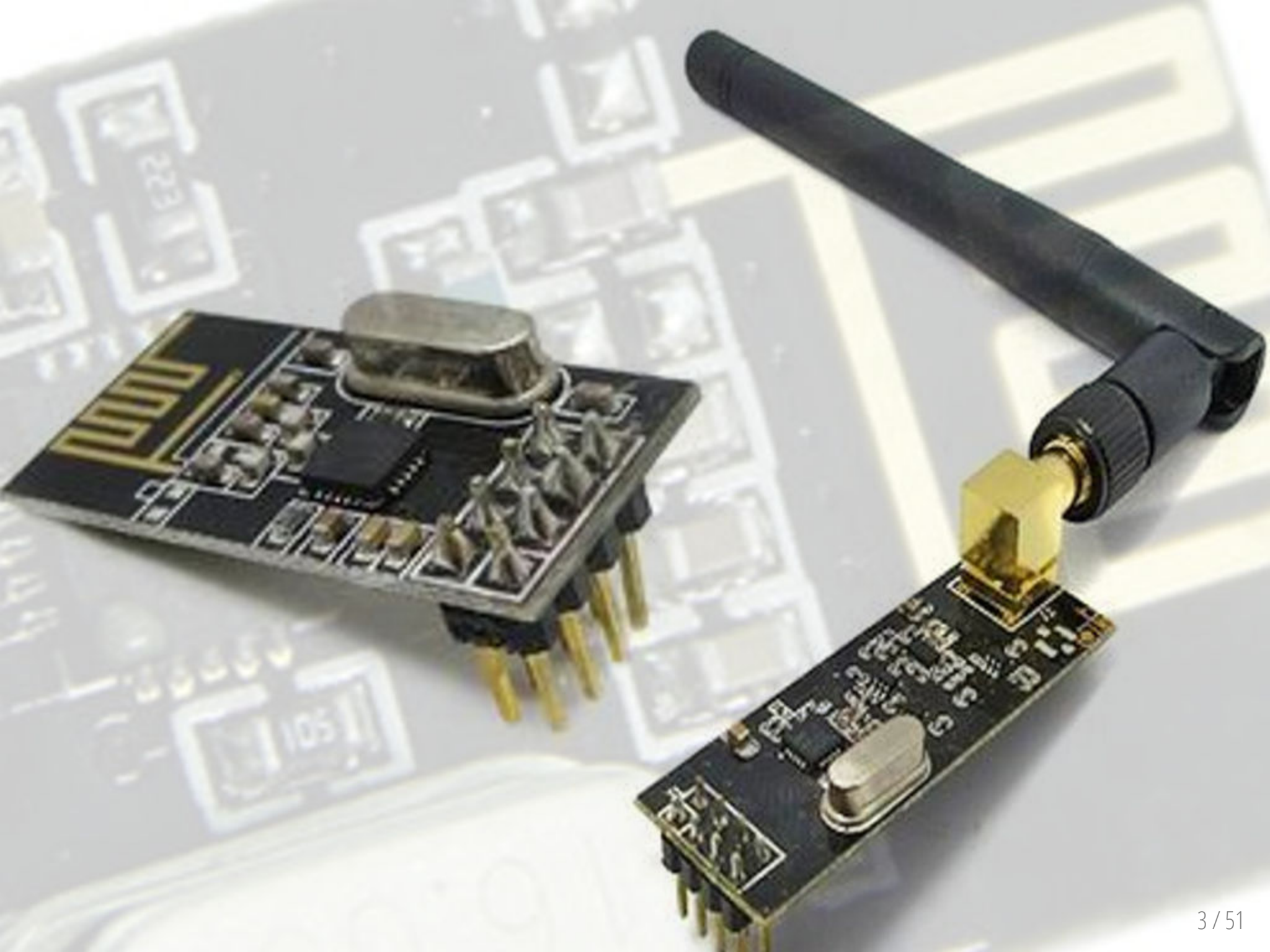
Outline



Introduction

nRF24L01+

nRF24L01+ is a highly integrated, ultra low power (ULP) 2Mbps **RF transceiver** IC for the 2.4GHz ISM (Industrial, Scientific and Medical) band 2.400 - 2.4835GHz.

The Nordic **nRF24L01+** integrates a complete 2.4GHz RF **transceiver**, RF **synthesizer**, and **baseband logic** including the hardware protocol accelerator (Enhanced ShockBurst) supporting a high-speed **SPI** interface for the application controller.

With peak RX/TX currents lower than 14mA, a sub uA power down mode, advanced power management, and a 1.9 to 3.6V supply range, the nRF24L01+ provides a true ULP solution enabling months to years of battery life from coin cell or AA/AAA batteries.

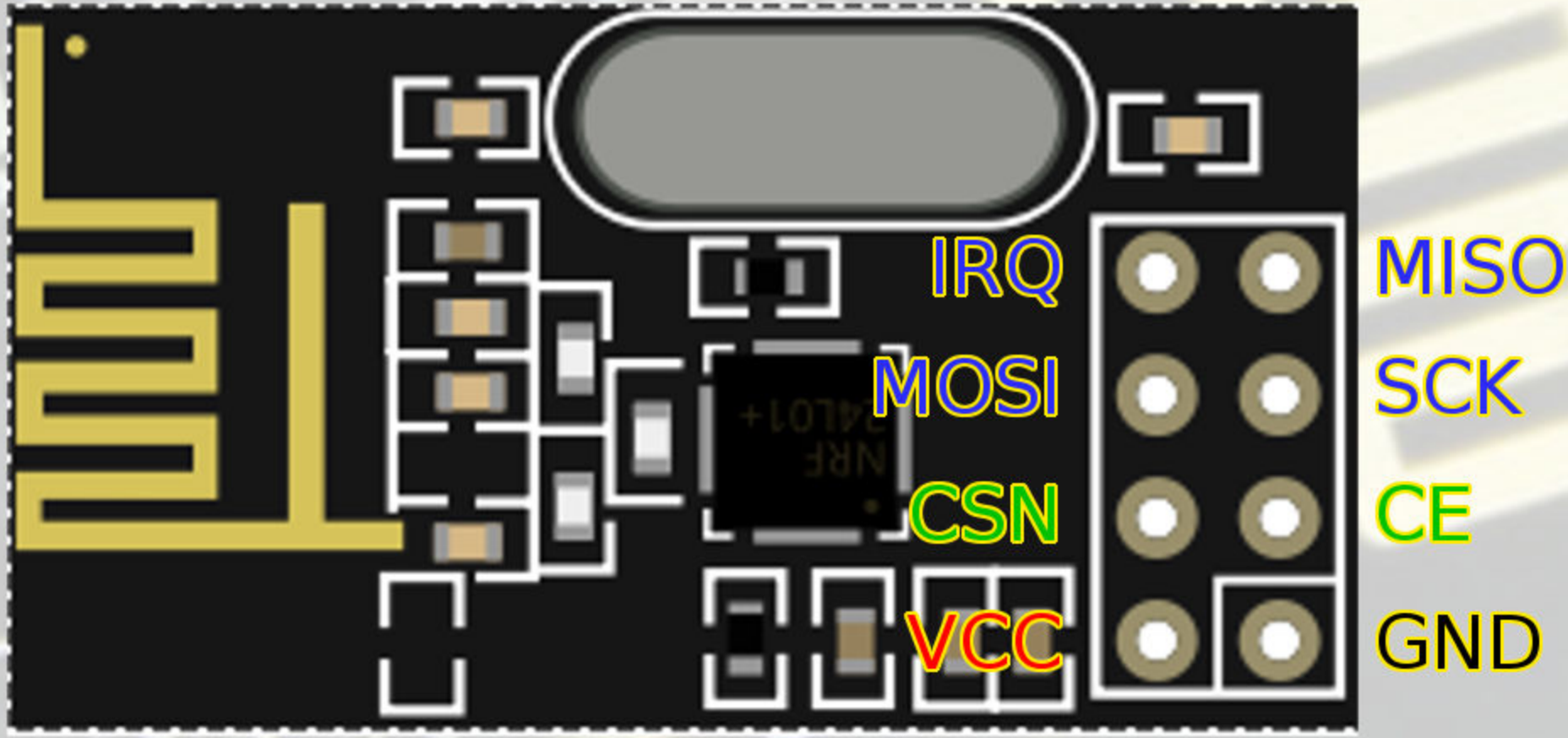
Ref: Nordic Semiconductor

nRF24L01+

1. ISM Frequency Band at 2.400 - 2.4835 GHz (Spacing at 1 or 2 MHz, GFSK)
2. 126 RF Channels
3. Air Data Rate Configurable to 2 Mbps (Options: 250 kbps, 1 Mbps)
4. 4-Pin Hardware **SPI**
5. 5V Tolerant Inputs
6. 6 Data Pipe MultiCeiver for 1:6 star networks

Notes: Power still at 3.3V!

Pin Map



Important Notes

Radio is sensitive to **Noises**! Make sure that the circuit (wire, solder, etc.) is stable.

Anything **fluxtuates** is **bad**!

Preparation

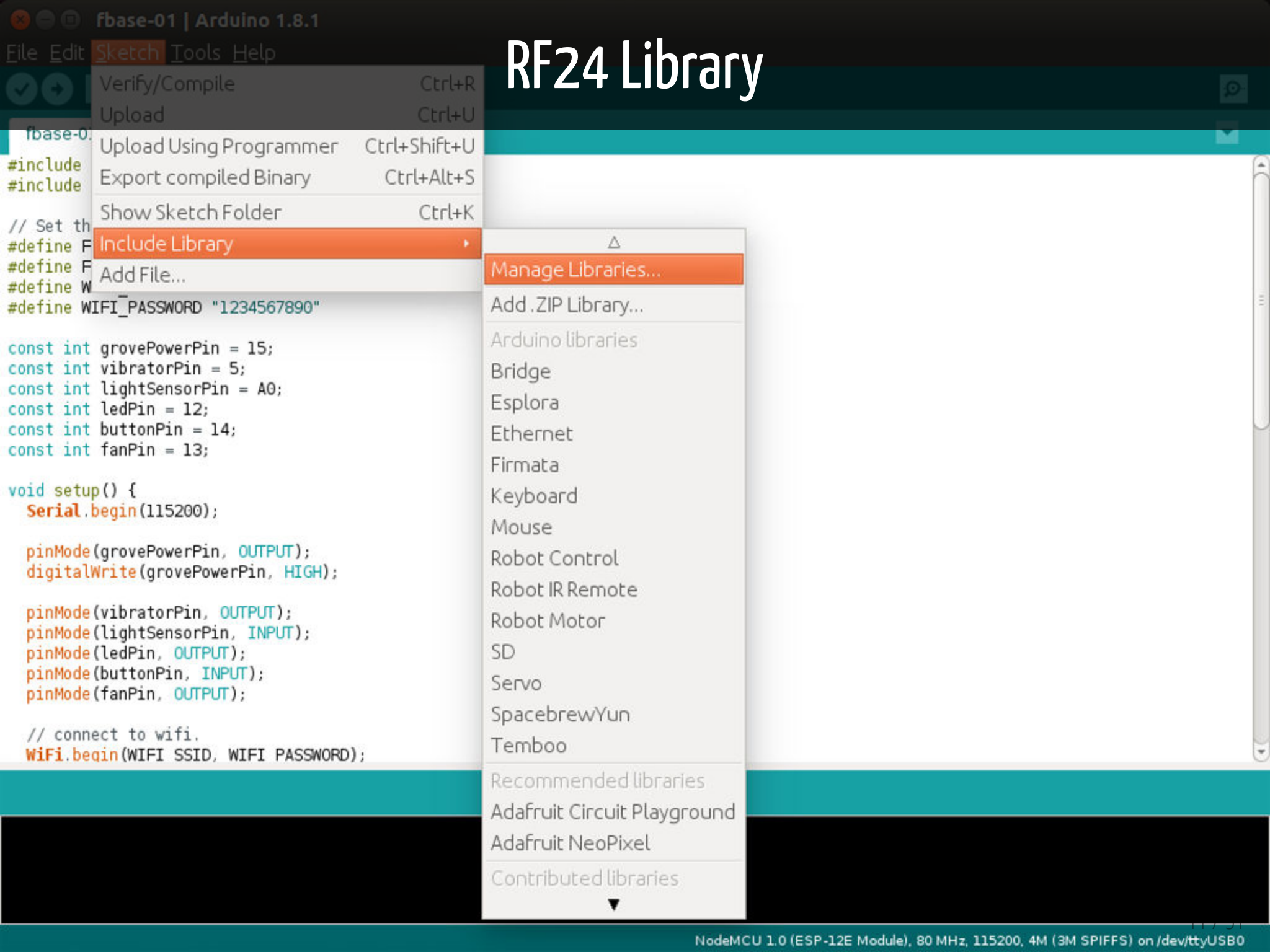
Getting Started

Getting Started

Arduino IDE, NodeMCU & Nano

1. Install RF24 Library
2. Prepare the First Node - **NodeMCU**
3. Prepare the Second Node - Arduino **Nano**

This setup is for demo purpose only. Can be any MCUs.



RF24 Library

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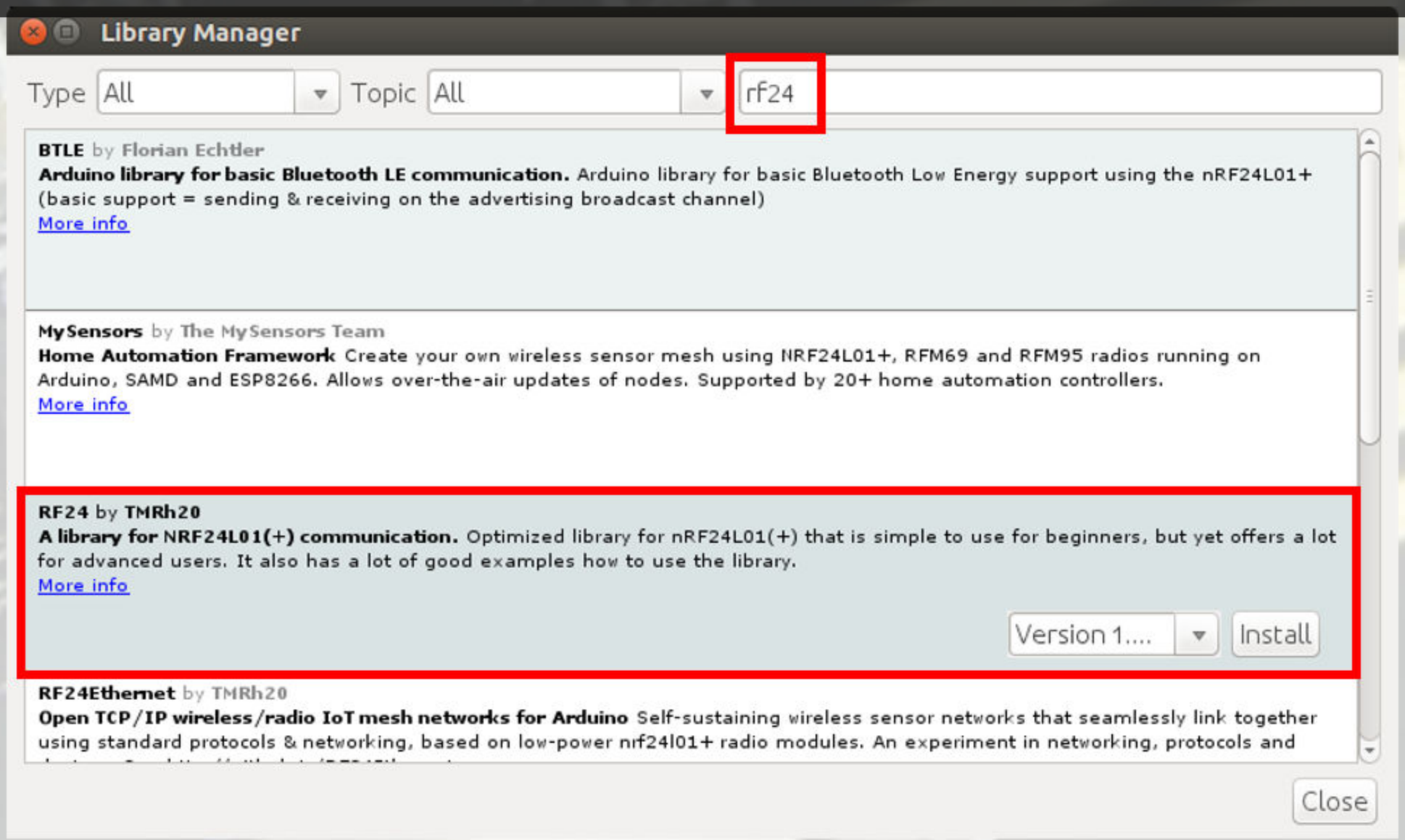
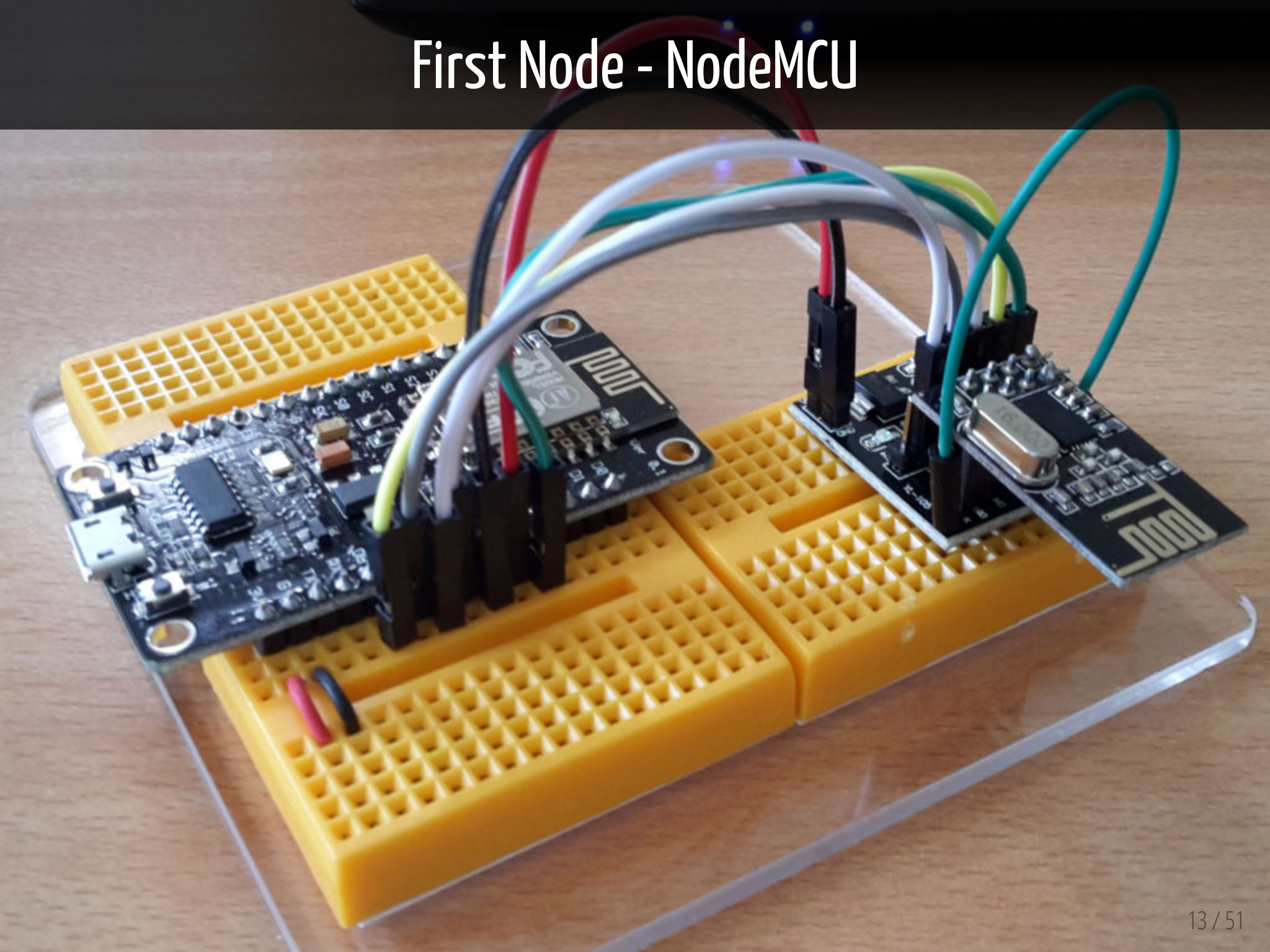
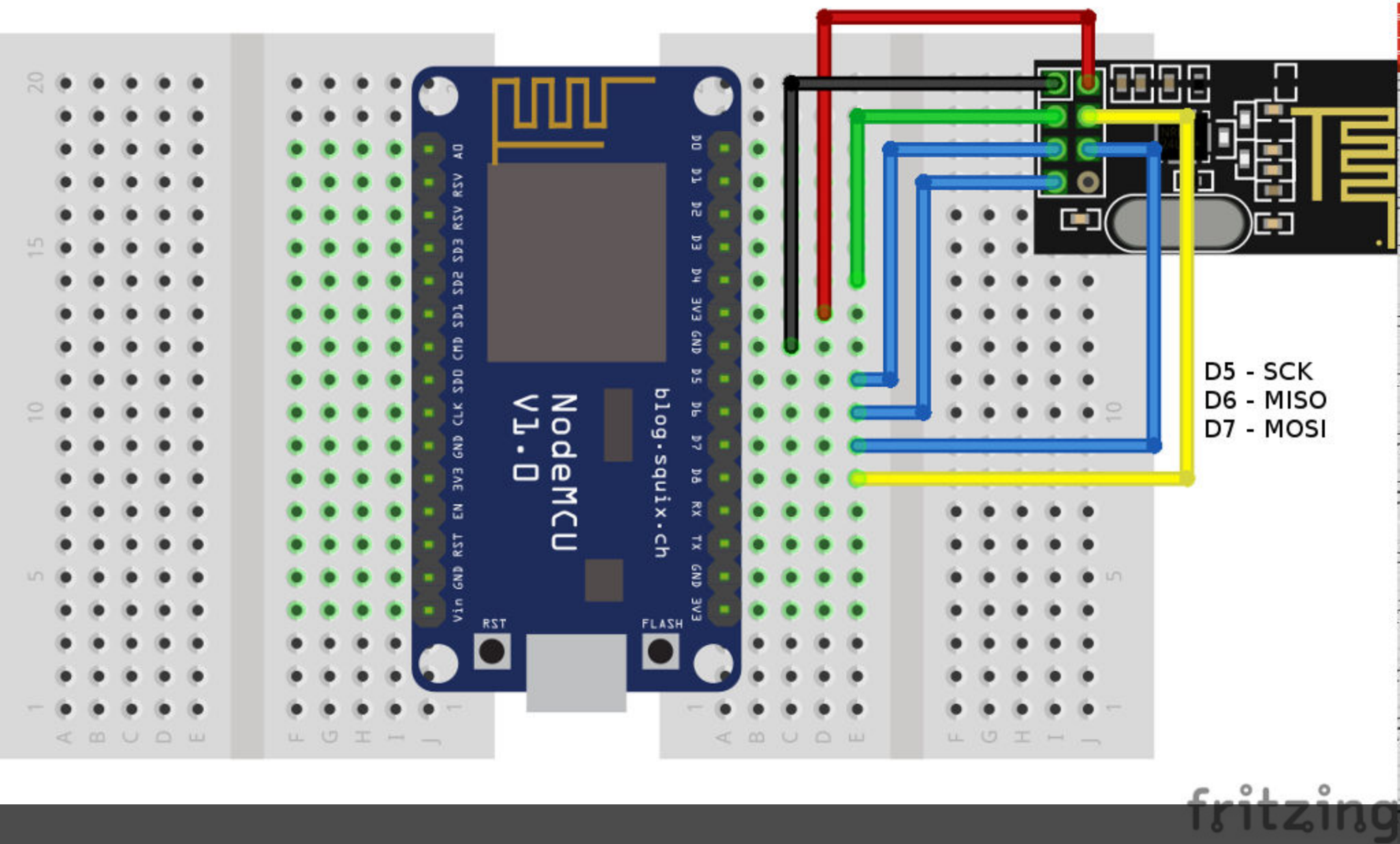


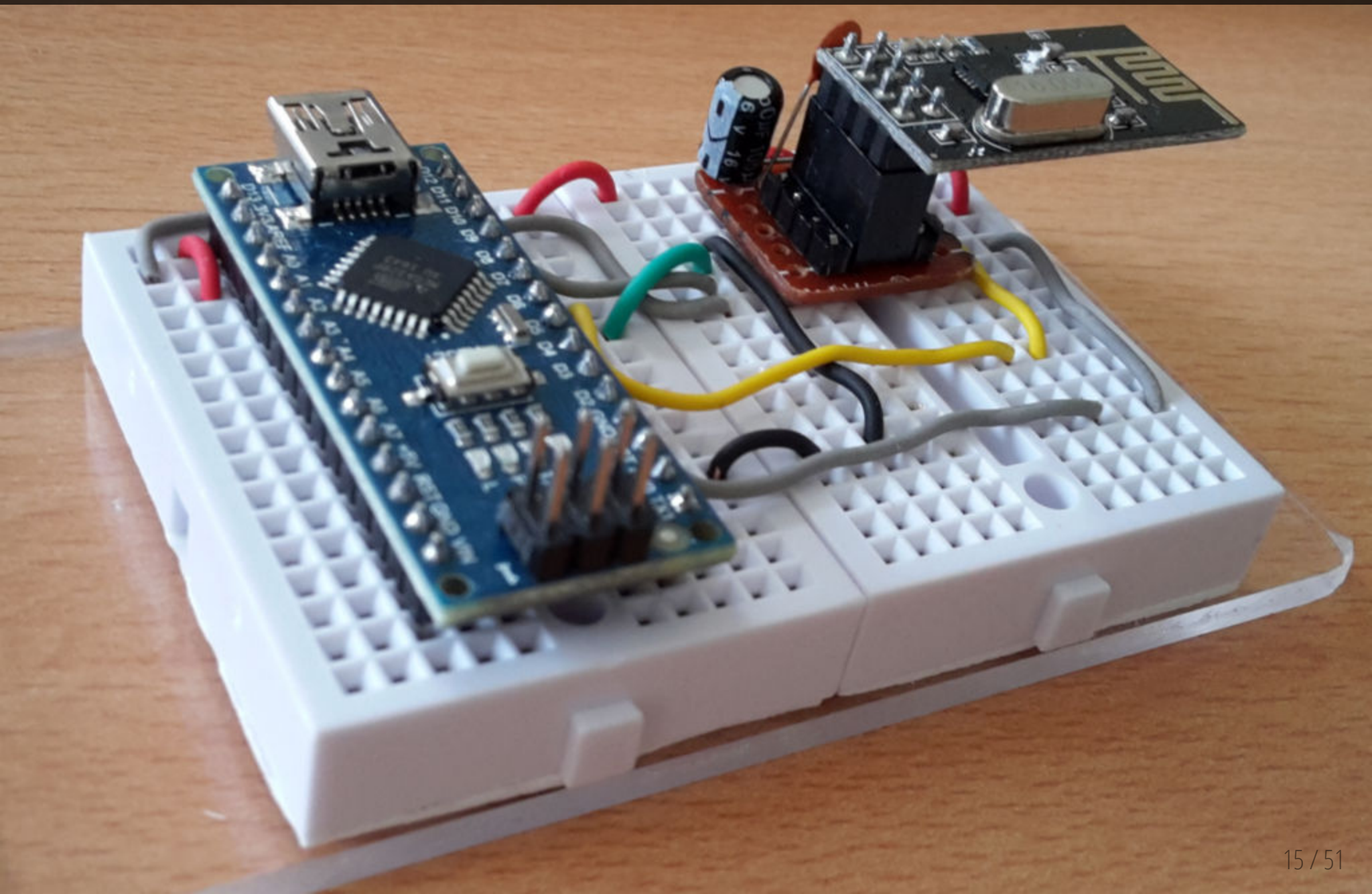
First Node - NodeMCU

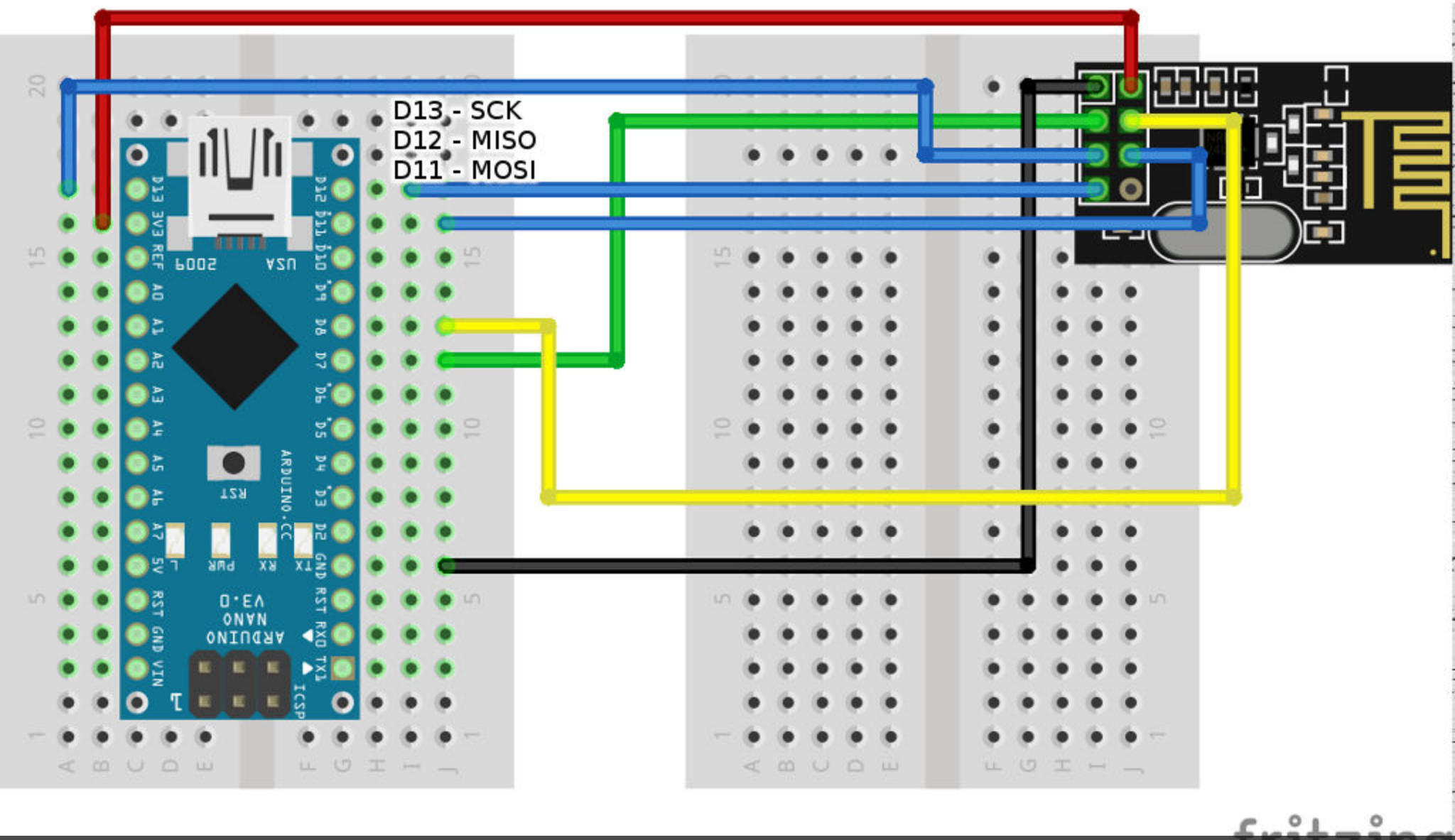




First Node - NodeMCU

Second Node - Nano





Second Node - Nano

Code & Play

Getting Started

Simple Transmit & Receive

NodeMCU - **Transmit** | Nano - **Receive**

Ref: Example Sketches

```
#include <SPI.h>
#include "nRF24L01.h"
#include "RF24.h"

RF24 myRadio (2, 15);

byte addresses[][6] = {"1Node"};
int dataTransmitted;

void setup()
{
  Serial.begin(115200);
  delay(1000);
  Serial.println(F("RF24/Simple Transmit data Test"));

  dataTransmitted = 100;

  myRadio.begin();
  myRadio.setChannel(108);
  myRadio.setPALevel(RF24_PA_MIN);

  myRadio.openWritingPipe( addresses[0]);
  delay(1000);
}

void loop()
{
  myRadio.write( &dataTransmitted, sizeof(dataTransmitted) );

  Serial.print(F("Data Transmitted = "));
  Serial.print(dataTransmitted);
  Serial.println(F(" No Acknowledge expected"));
  dataTransmitted = dataTransmitted + 1;
  delay(500);
}
```

NodeMCU

NodeMCU

Serial

```
1384, room 16
tail 8
chksum
Data Transmitted = 100 No Acknowledge expected
Data Transmitted = 101 No Acknowledge expected
Data Transmitted = 102 No Acknowledge expected
Data Transmitted = 103 No Acknowledge expected
Data Transmitted = 104 No Acknowledge expected
Data Transmitted = 105 No Acknowledge expected
...
```

```
#include <SPI.h>
#include "nRF24L01.h"
#include "RF24.h"

RF24 myRadio (7, 8);

byte addresses[][6] = {"1Node"};
int dataReceived;

void setup()
{
  Serial.begin(115200);
  delay(1000);
  Serial.println(F("RF24/Simple Receive data Test"));

  myRadio.begin();
  myRadio.setChannel(108);
  myRadio.setPALevel(RF24_PA_MIN);

  myRadio.openReadingPipe(1, addresses[0]);
  myRadio.startListening();

}

void loop()
{
  if (myRadio.available())
  {
    while (myRadio.available())
    {
      myRadio.read( &dataReceived, sizeof(dataReceived) );
    }

    Serial.print("Data received = ");
    Serial.println(dataReceived);
  }
}
```

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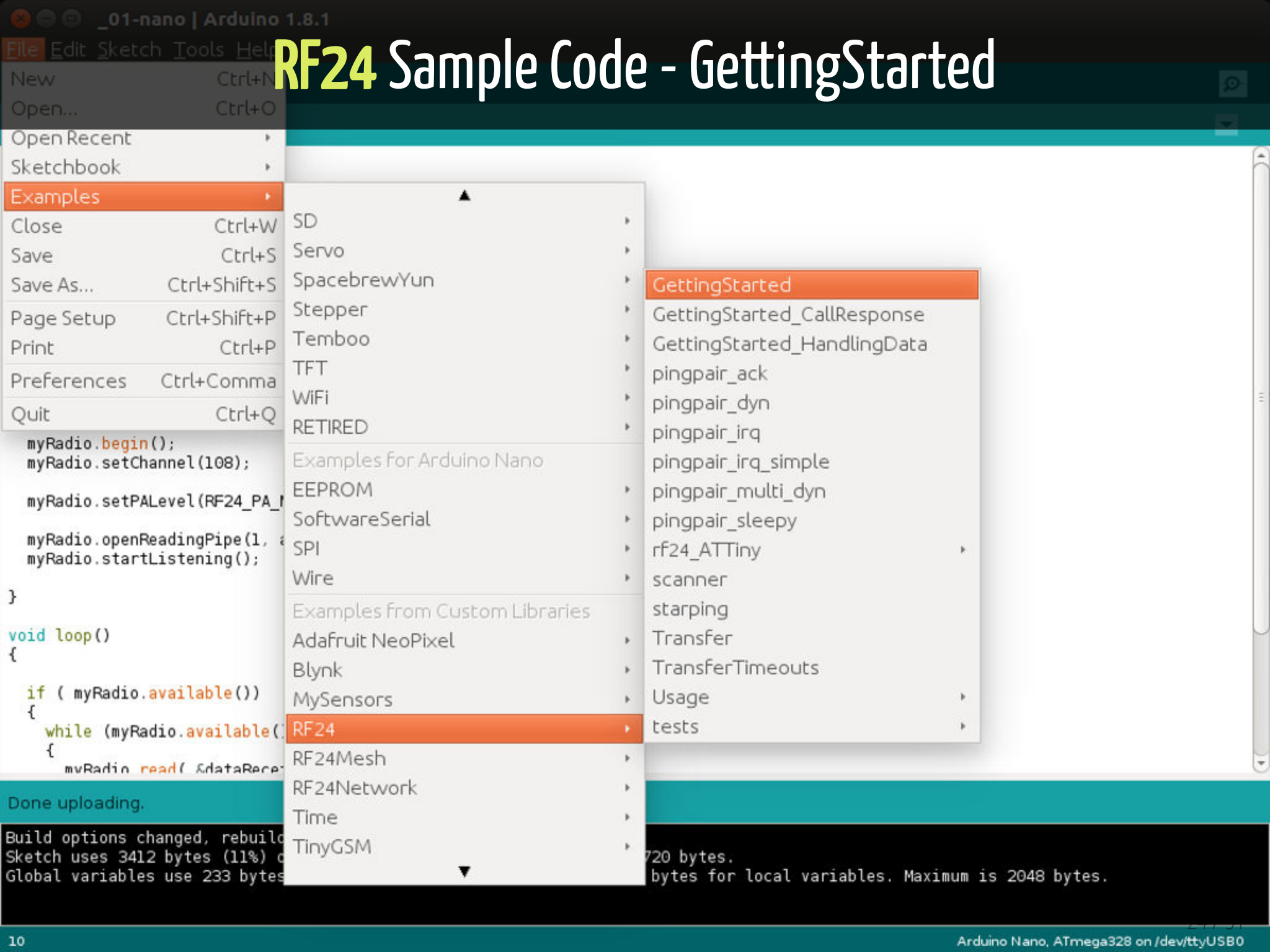
Serial

```
RF24/Simple Receive data Test
Data received = 100
Data received = 101
Data received = 102
Data received = 103
Data received = 104
Data received = 105
...
```

RF24 Sample Code

RF24 Sample Code - GettingStarted



```
#include <SPI.h>
#include "nRF24L01.h"
#include "RF24.h"

byte addresses[][6] = {"1Node","2Node"};

RF24 radio(2,15);

bool radioNumber = 0;
bool role = 1;

/*****************************************************/
void setup() {
  Serial.begin(115200);
  Serial.println(F("RF24/examples/GettingStarted"));
  Serial.println(F("*** PRESS 'R' to begin receiving from the other node"));

  radio.begin();
  radio.setChannel(108);
  radio.setPALevel(RF24_PA_MIN);

  if(radioNumber){
    radio.openWritingPipe(addresses[1]);
    radio.openReadingPipe(1,addresses[0]);
  }else{
    radio.openWritingPipe(addresses[0]);
    radio.openReadingPipe(1,addresses[1]);
  }
  radio.startListening();
}

void loop() {

/****************** Ping Out Role ***************************/
if (role == 1)  {
    radio.stopListening();

    Serial.println(F("Now sending"));

    unsigned long start_time = micros();
    //radio.write( &start_time, sizeof(unsigned long));

    if (!radio.write( &start_time, sizeof(unsigned long) )){
       Serial.println(F("failed"));
```

NodeMCU

NodeMCU

Serial

^$#%$#@*&%)# Why??

Nevermind for now!
Unplug NodeMCU, Plug-In Nano ..

```
Now sending
failed
Failed, response timed out.
Now sending
failed
Failed, response timed out.
Now sending
failed
Failed, response timed out.
Now sending
failed
Failed, response timed out.
Now sending
failed
Failed, response timed out.
Now sending
failed
Failed, response timed out.
...
```

```
#include <SPI.h>
#include "nRF24L01.h"
#include "RF24.h"

byte addresses[][6] = {"1Node","2Node"};

RF24 radio(7,8);

bool radioNumber = 1;
bool role = 0;

/**********************************************************/
void setup() {
  Serial.begin(115200);
  Serial.println(F("RF24/examples/GettingStarted"));
  Serial.println(F("*** PRESS 'T' to begin transmitting to the other node"));

  radio.begin();
  radio.setChannel(108);
  radio.setPALevel(RF24_PA_MIN);

  if(radioNumber){
    radio.openWritingPipe(addresses[1]);
    radio.openReadingPipe(1,addresses[0]);
  }else{
    radio.openWritingPipe(addresses[0]);
    radio.openReadingPipe(1,addresses[1]);
  }
  radio.startListening();
}

void loop() {
...
...
}
```

Nano

Nano

Serial

Get Back to NodeMCU, Switch It On!

```
RF24/examples/GettingStarted
** PRESS 'T' to begin transmitting to the other node

# After NodeMCU Switched ON
Sent response 9284083
Sent response 10286475
Sent response 11288847
Sent response 12291268
Sent response 13293653
...
```

NodeMCU

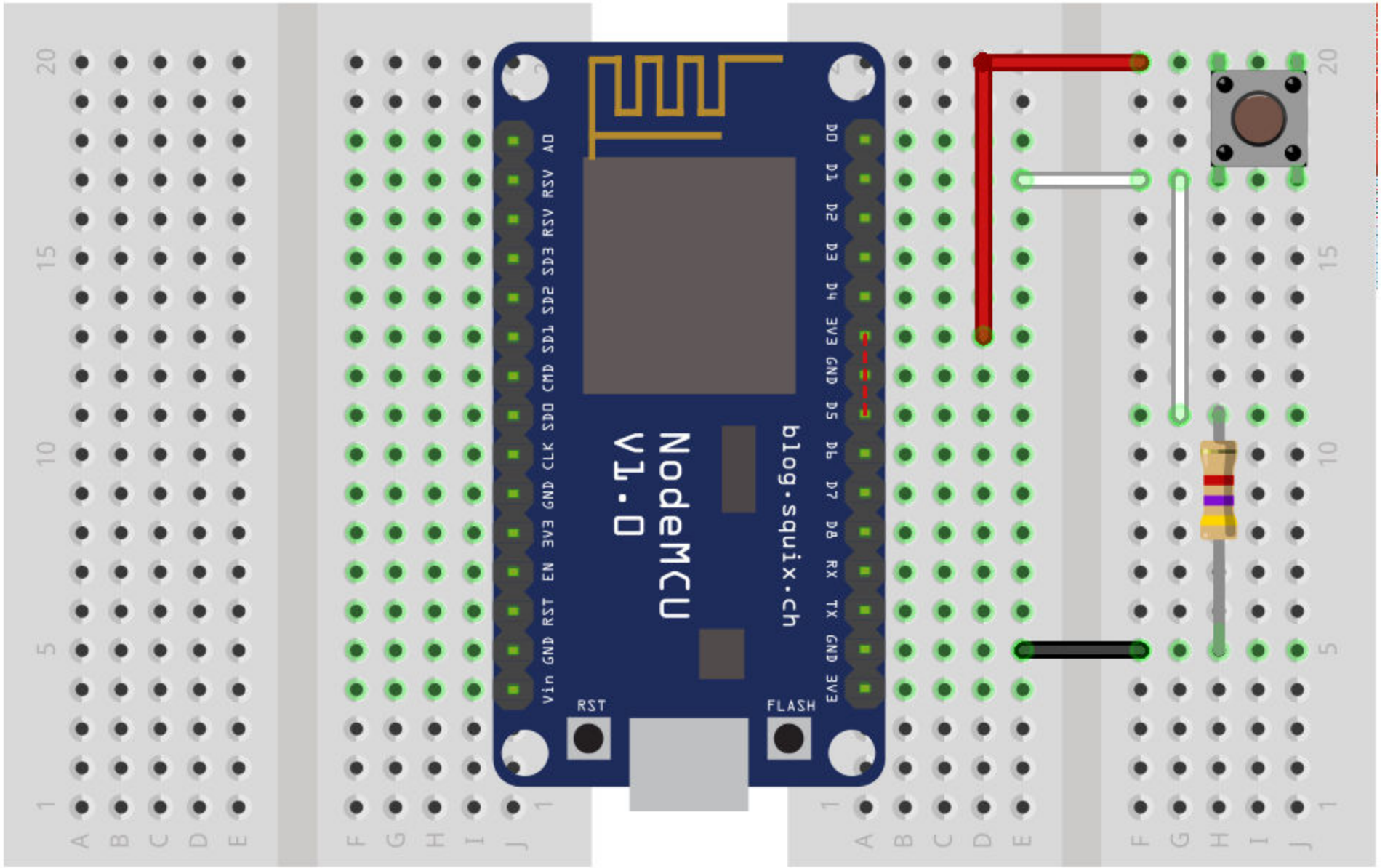
Serial - Take 2

Find Another Serial Console..

Now It Looks Good.. Explain!

```
Now sending
Sent 18612291, Got response 18612291, Round-trip delay 1828 microseconds
Now sending
Sent 19614686, Got response 19614686, Round-trip delay 1840 microseconds
Now sending
Sent 20617552, Got response 20617552, Round-trip delay 1803 microseconds
Now sending
Sent 21619866, Got response 21619866, Round-trip delay 1800 microseconds
Now sending
Sent 22622153, Got response 22622153, Round-trip delay 1806 microseconds
Now sending
Sent 23624535, Got response 23624535, Round-trip delay 1840 microseconds
...
```

Simple Remote Control



NodeMCU - Remote Controller

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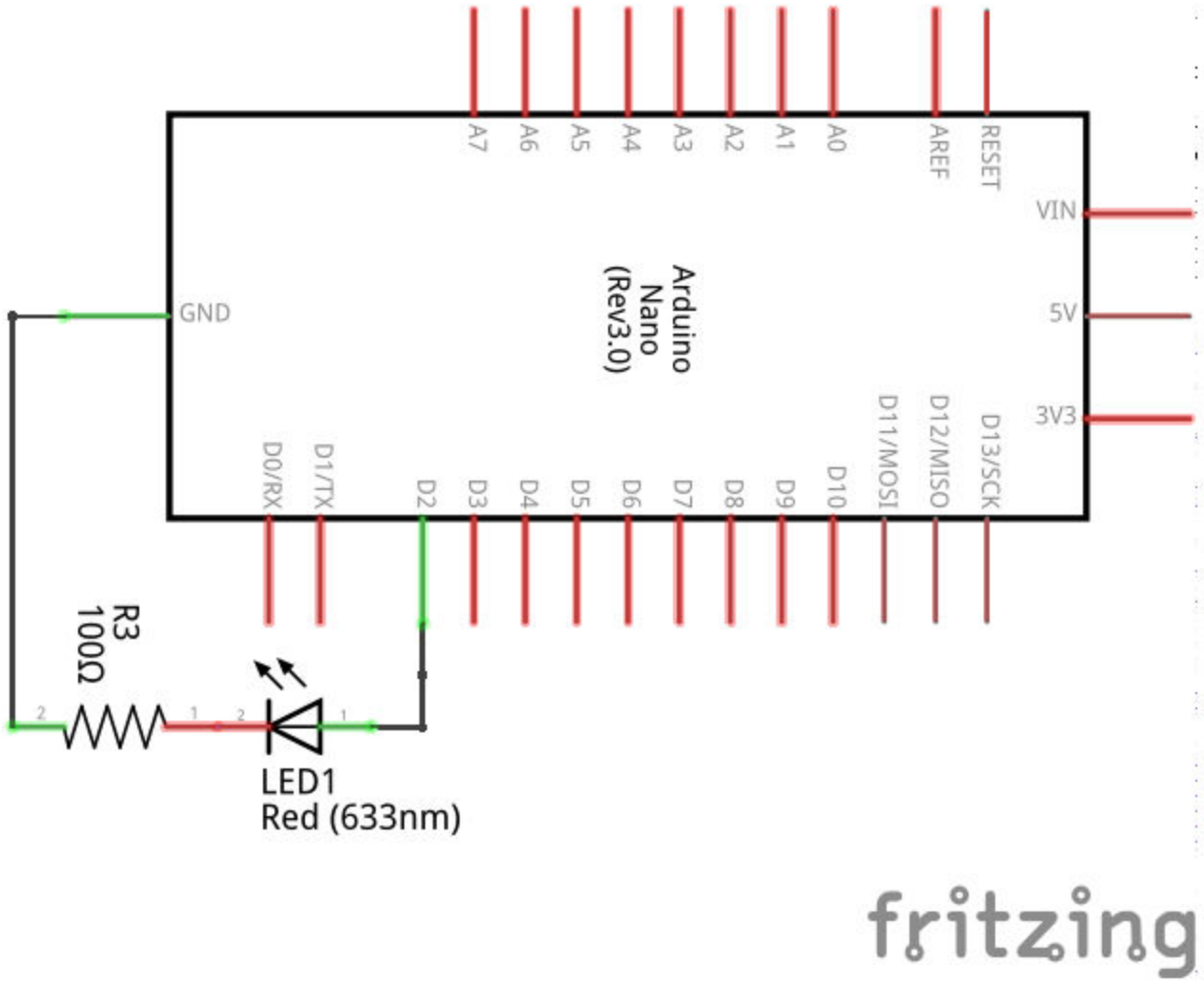
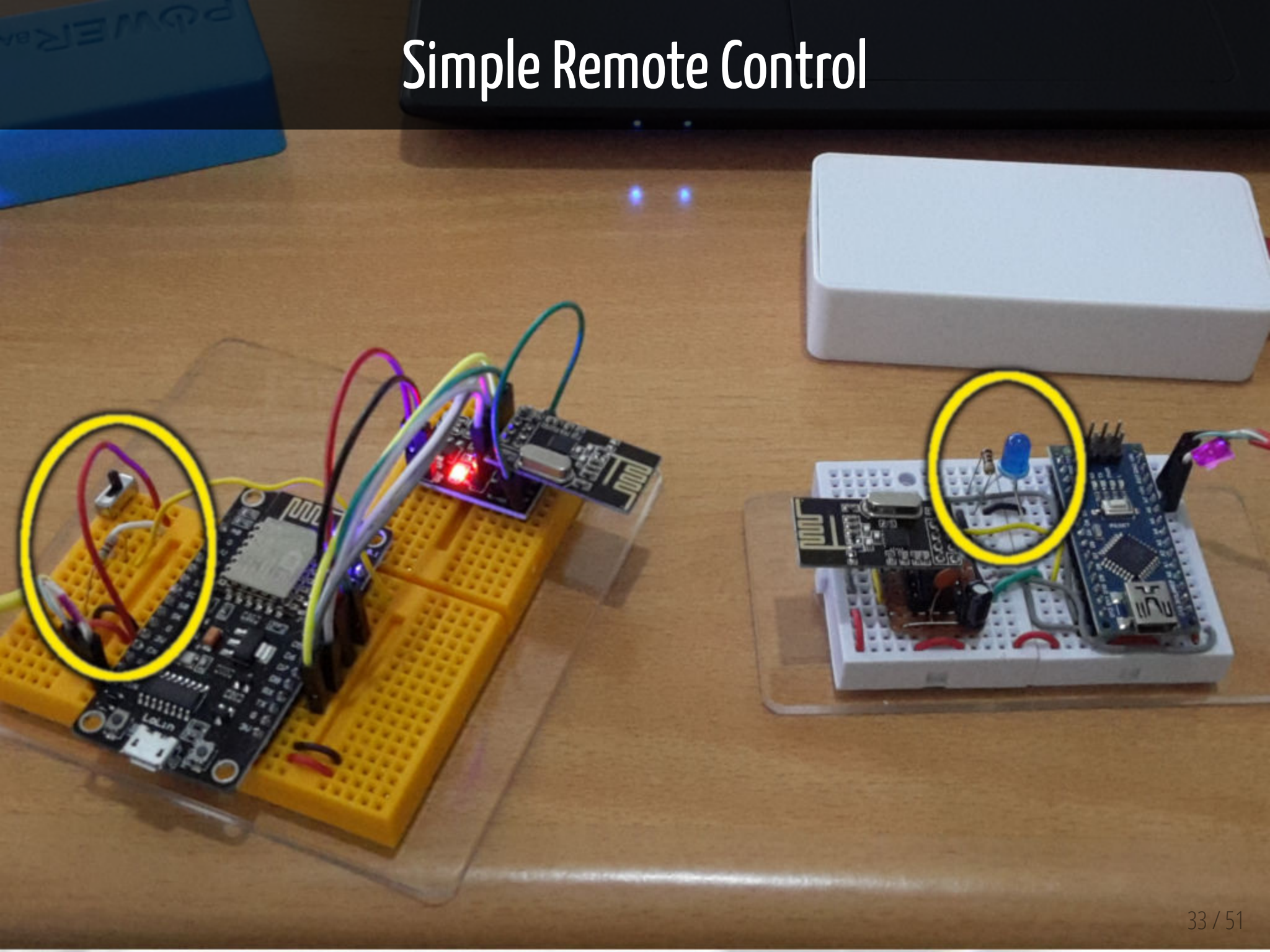


Nano - Local Controller

Simple Remote Control



```
#include <SPI.h>
#include "nRF24L01.h"
#include "RF24.h"

RF24 myRadio (2, 15);
const int SW1 = 5;

byte addresses[][6] = {"1Node"};
int dataTransmitted;
int button;

void setup()
{
  pinMode(SW1, INPUT);
  dataTransmitted = 10;
  button = 0;

  Serial.begin(115200);
  delay(1000);

  myRadio.begin();
  myRadio.setChannel(108);
  myRadio.setPALevel(RF24_PA_MIN);

  myRadio.openWritingPipe( addresses[0]);
  delay(1000);
}

void loop()
{
  int newButton = digitalRead(SW1);
  if (newButton != button) {
    button = newButton;

    if (button == HIGH){
      dataTransmitted = 20;
    }
    else {
      dataTransmitted = 10;
    }
    myRadio.write( &dataTransmitted, sizeof(dataTransmitted) );
    Serial.print(F("Data Transmitted = "));
    Serial.println(dataTransmitted);
```

NodeMCU

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Serial

After Some ON-OFFs

```
1384, room 16
tail 8
chksum
Data Transmitted = 20
Data Transmitted = 10
Data Transmitted = 20
Data Transmitted = 10
Data Transmitted = 20
Data Transmitted = 10
Data Transmitted = 20
```

```
#include <SPI.h>
#include "nRF24L01.h"
#include "RF24.h"

RF24 myRadio (7, 8);
const int LED = 2;

byte addresses[][6] = {"1Node"};
int dataReceived;

void setup()
{
  pinMode(LED, OUTPUT);

  Serial.begin(115200);
  delay(1000);

  myRadio.begin();
  myRadio.setChannel(108);
  myRadio.setPALevel(RF24_PA_MIN);

  myRadio.openReadingPipe(1, addresses[0]);
  myRadio.startListening();
}

void loop()
{
  if (myRadio.available())
  {
    while (myRadio.available())
    {
      myRadio.read( &dataReceived, sizeof(dataReceived) );
    }

    Serial.print("Data received = ");
    Serial.println(dataReceived);

    if (dataReceived == 10) {
      digitalWrite(LED, LOW);
    } else {
      digitalWrite(LED, HIGH);
    }
  }
}
```

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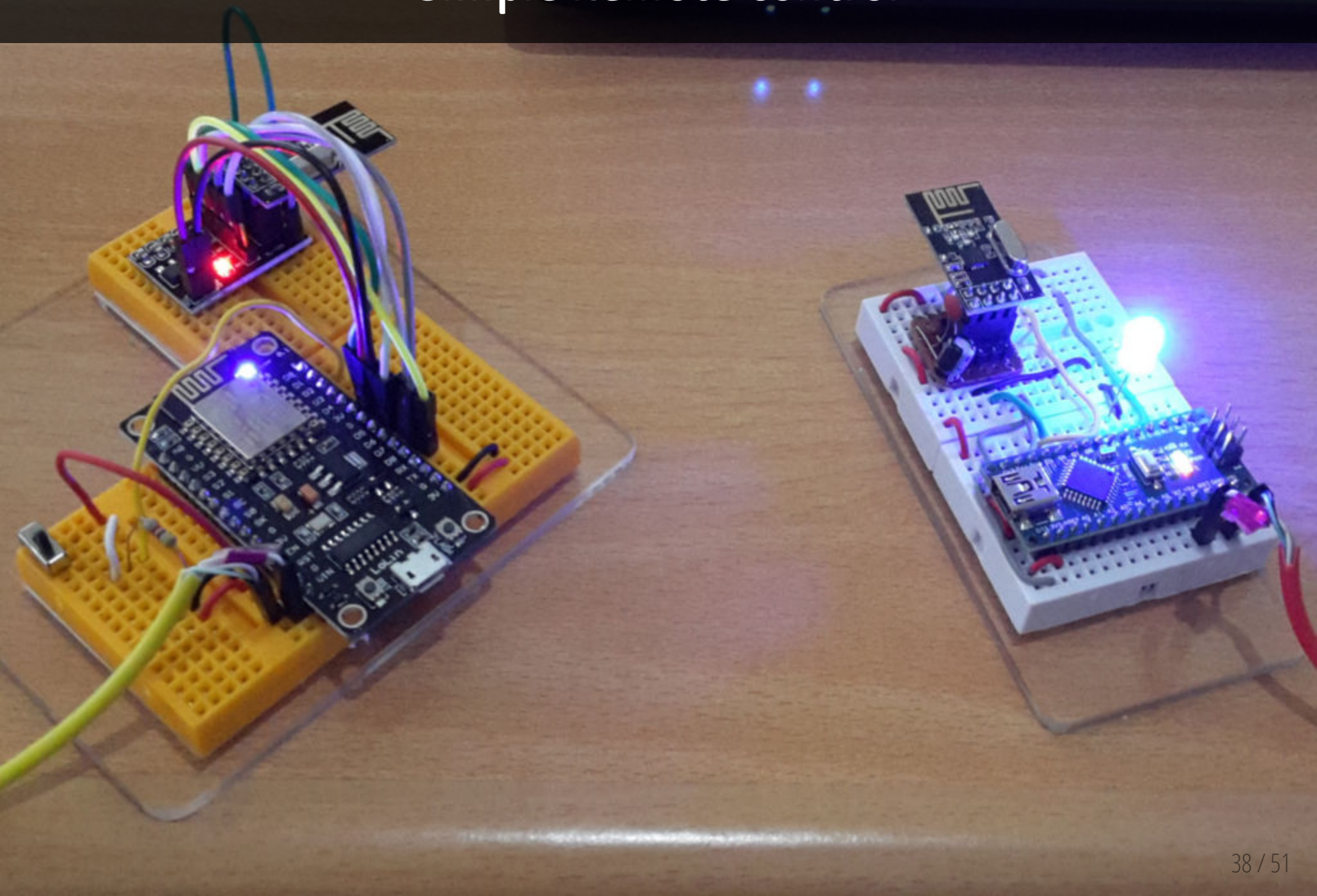
Serial

After Some ON-OFFs

```
Data received = 20
Data received = 10
Data received = 20
Data received = 10
Data received = 20
Data received = 10
Data received = 20
Data received = 10
Data received = 20
Data received = 10
```

Simple Remote Control



Nano - Attach a Device

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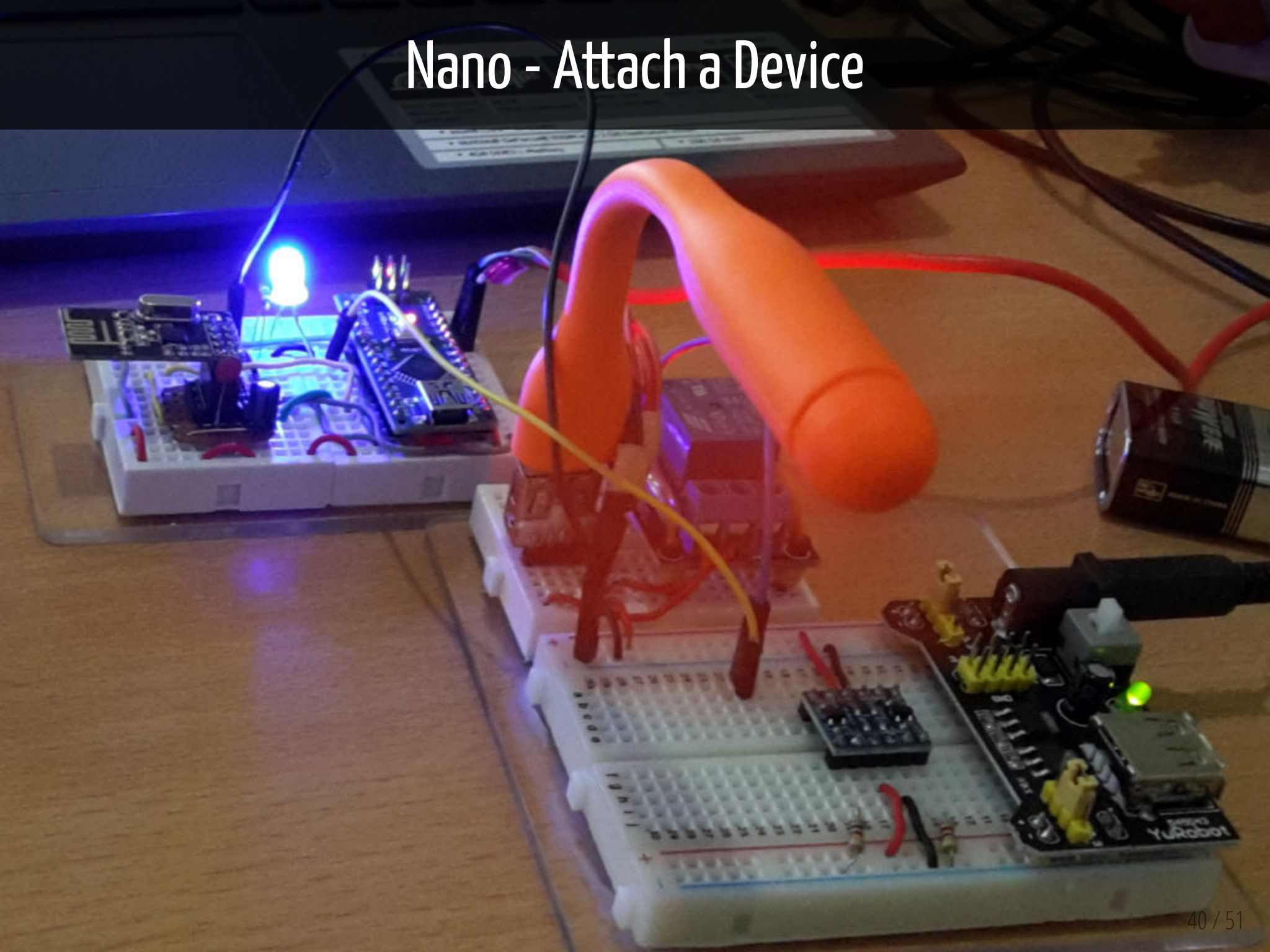


Connecting to Blynk Cloud

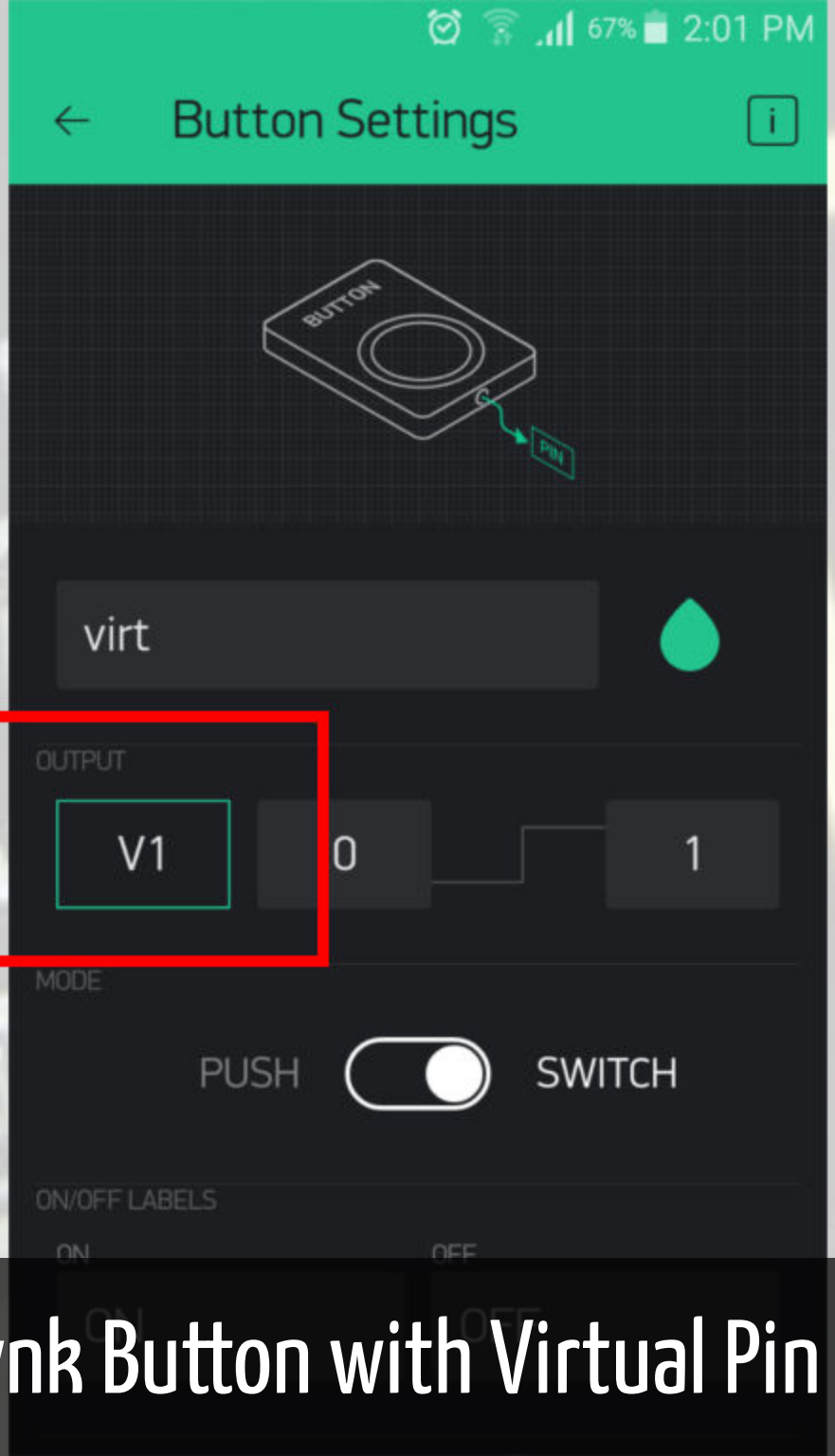
Gateway

Notes

This is only an example of integration of local-connected **sensors** and **actuators** to other (cloud-based) services. This is applicable not only for **Blynk** or **Firebase**, but also for other services.

```
#include <SPI.h>
#include "nRF24L01.h"
#include "RF24.h"
#include <ESP8266WiFi.h>
#include <BlynkSimpleEsp8266.h>

RF24 myRadio (2, 15);

const int SW1 = 5;

byte addresses[][6] = {"1Node"};
int dataTransmitted;
int button;

char auth[] = "c5d0dea217cd49539d7bed14d1234567";
char ssid[] = "emAP-01";
char pass[] = "1010101010";

BLYNK_WRITE(V1)
{
   int pinValue = param.asInt();

   if (pinValue == HIGH){
     dataTransmitted = 20;
   }
   else {
     dataTransmitted = 10;
   }
   myRadio.write( &dataTransmitted, sizeof(dataTransmitted) );

   Serial.print(F("pinValue = "));
   Serial.println(pinValue);

   Serial.print(F("Data Transmitted = "));
   Serial.println(dataTransmitted);
}

void setup()
{
  Serial.begin(115200);
  Blynk.begin(auth, ssid, pass);
  delay(1000);

  pinMode(SW1, INPUT);
```

NodeMCU



Blynk Button with Virtual Pin V1

NodeMCU

Serial

After Some ON-OFFs via Physical Button and **Blynk** Virtual Button

```
1384, room 16
Data Transmitted = 20
Data Transmitted = 10
pinValue = 1
Data Transmitted = 20
pinValue = 0
Data Transmitted = 10
pinValue = 1
Data Transmitted = 20
pinValue = 0
Data Transmitted = 10
pinValue = 1
Data Transmitted = 20
pinValue = 0
Data Transmitted = 10
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pinValue = 1
Data Transmitted = 20
pinValue = 0
Data Transmitted = 10
Data Transmitted = 10
```

Refs/Resources

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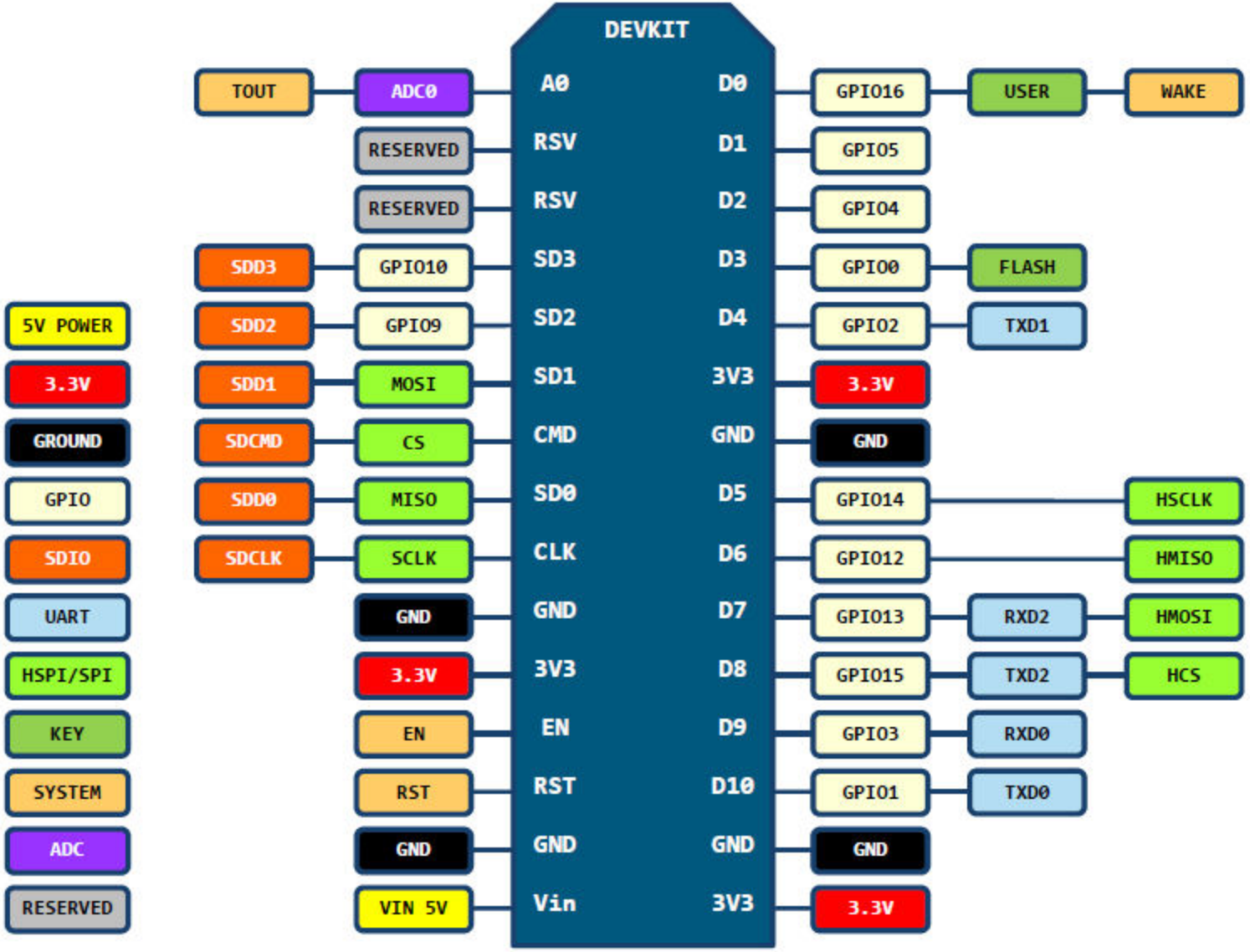
1. Nordic Semiconductor
2. Example Sketches @arduino-info
3. Connecting the Radio | MySensors
4. nRF24/RF24: Optimized fork of nRF24L01 for Arduino & Raspberry Pi/Linux Devices

PIN DEFINITION NodeMCU V1.0 Pin Map



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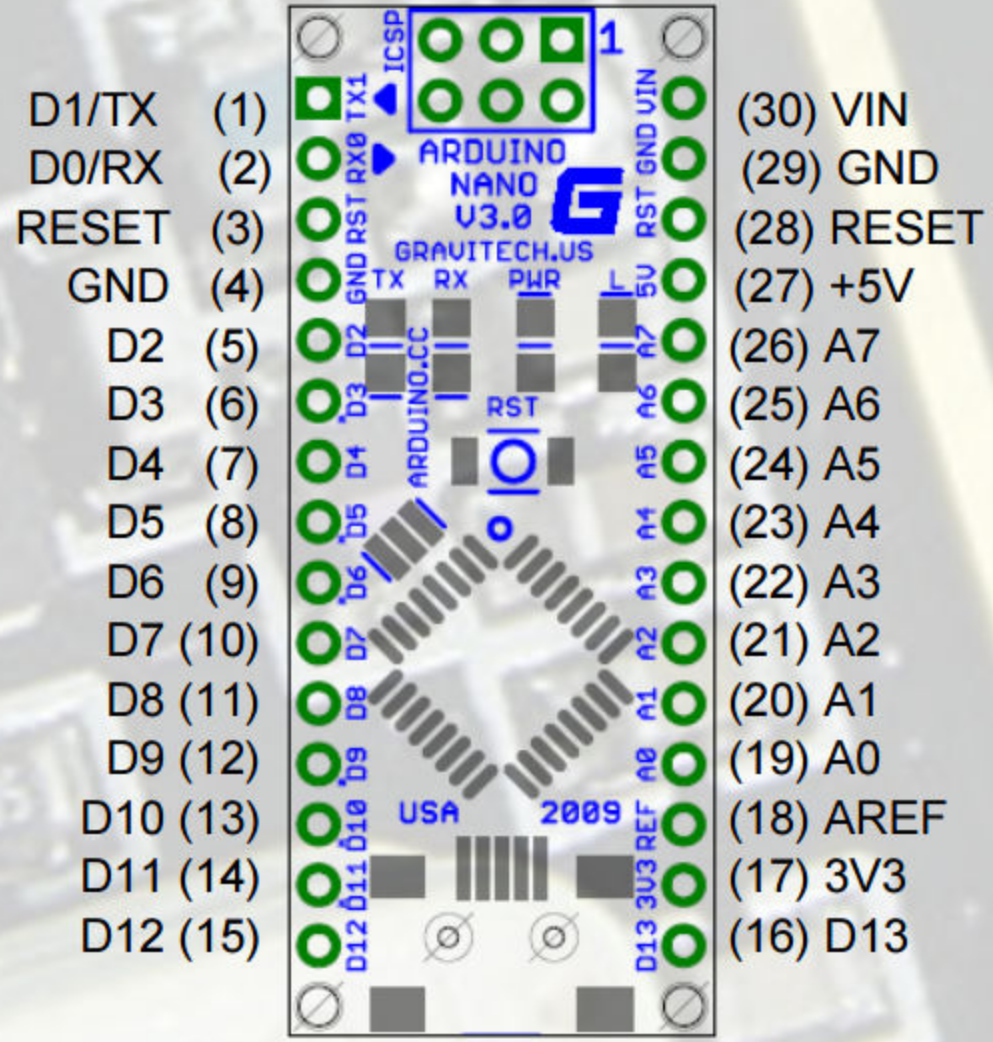
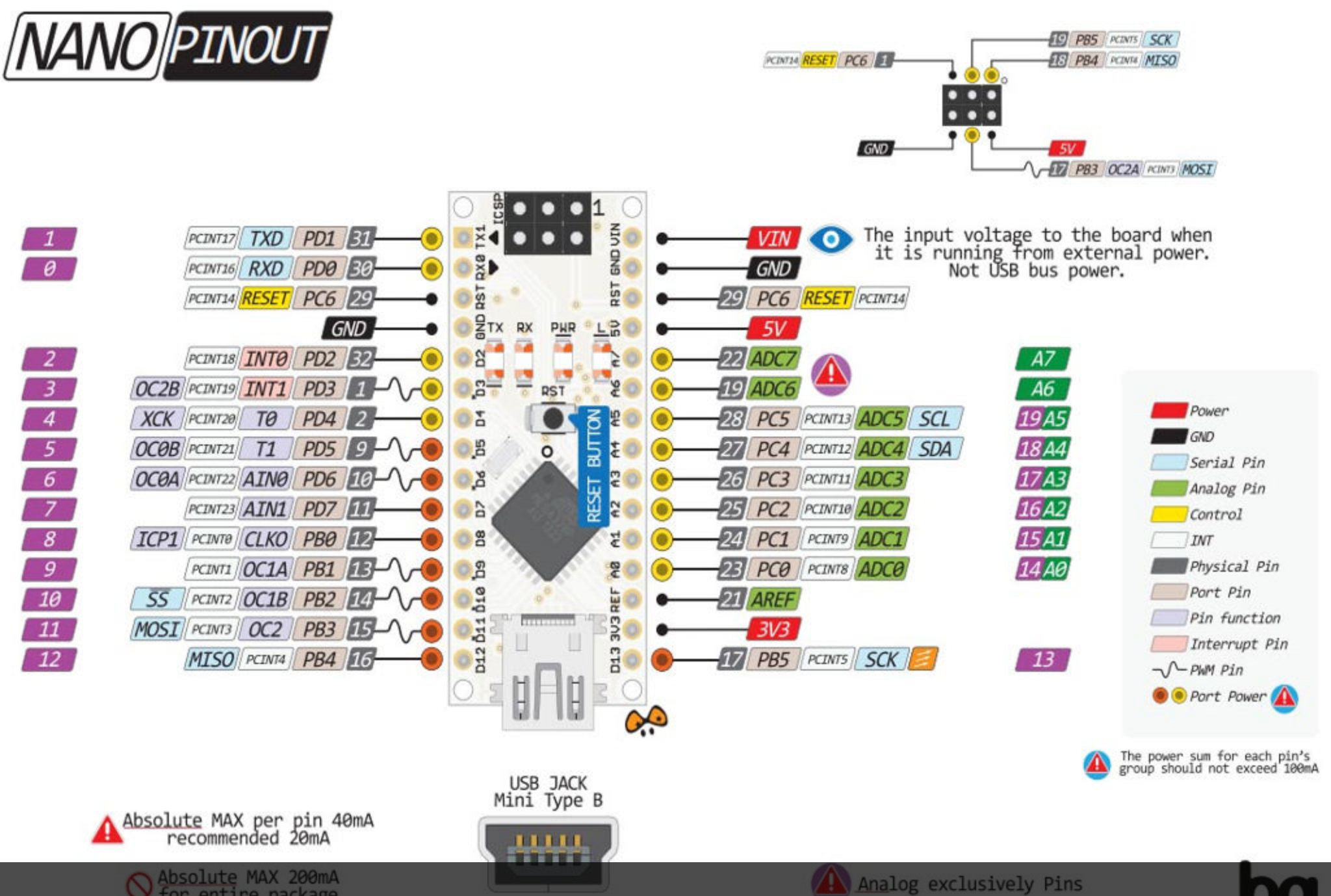
Nano V3.0 Pin Map





Nano V3.0 Pin Map (?)

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