

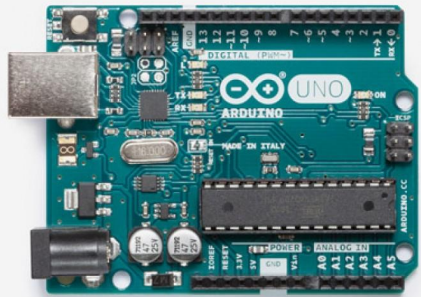
IoT Blink

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Making physical things controlled by the web

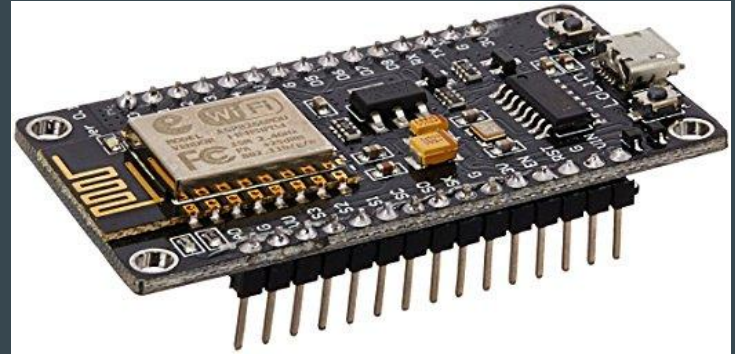
Arduino

- Low powered microcontroller
 - A bit like a Raspberry Pi but only runs one thing
- Used to add computing to electronics
- Open source



ESP8266

- Cheap and powerful chip that provides IoT functionality
 - Connect to WiFi
 - Create access points
 - Manage over the air updates
 - Host a (small) server
 - Make HTTP requests



Setup

Getting the IDE

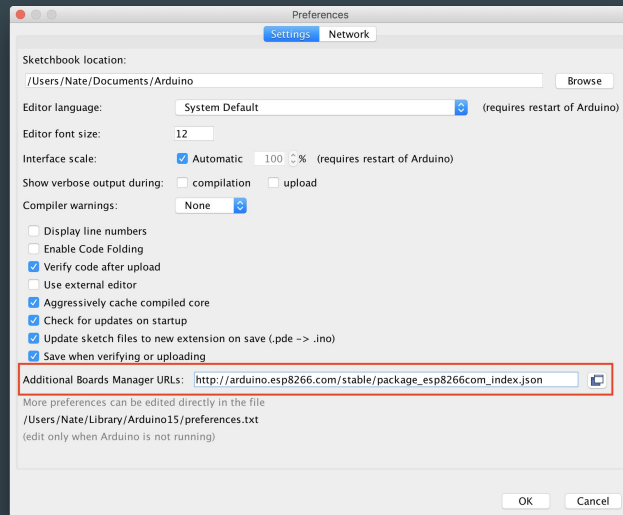
- Available from Arduino website
 - Online version exists
- Comes with tools needed to build and upload code

<https://www.arduino.cc/en/Main/Software>

Adding Boards

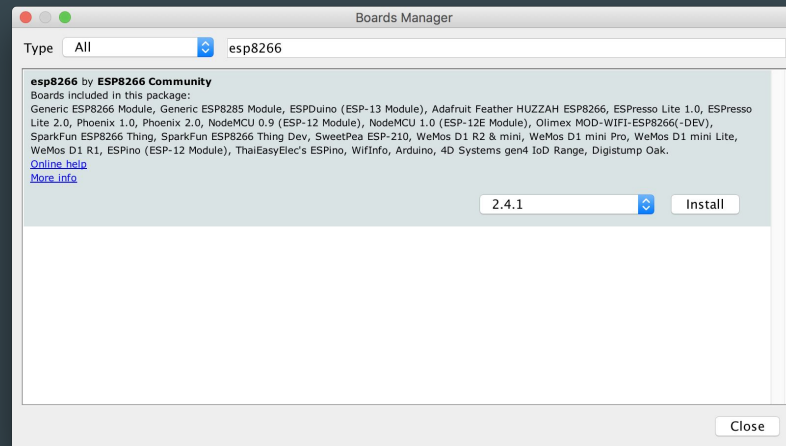
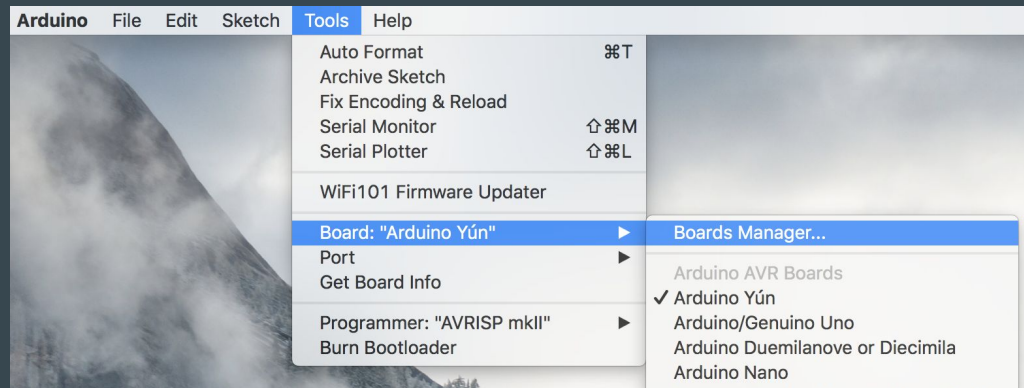
- In preferences, enter the URL to ESP8266 boards

http://arduino.esp8266.com/stable/package_esp8266com_index.json



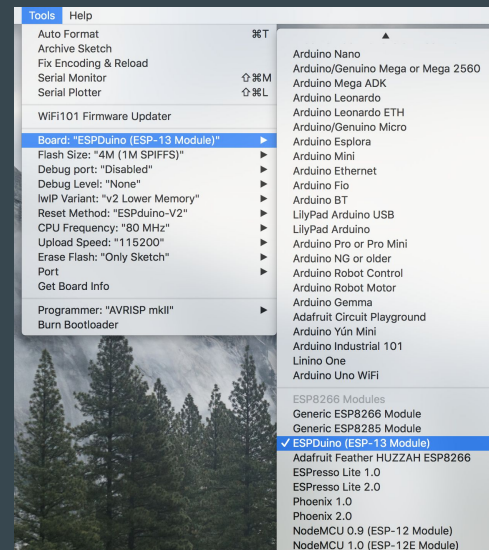
Adding Boards

- Open boards manager
 - Tools > Board > Boards Manager
- Search for ESP8266
- Click to install



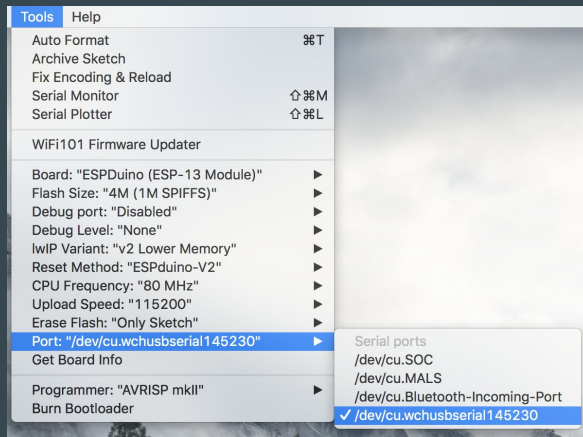
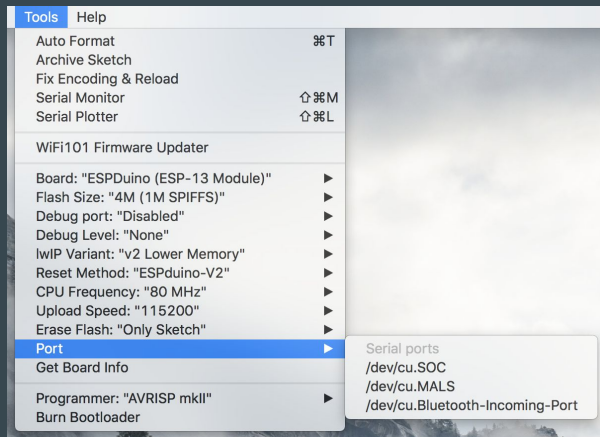
Selecting Board

- Select “ESPduino (ESP-13 Module)” from the boards list
 - Tools > Board
- If the docs for your ESP8266 says to choose a different, do that
- Will add other menu items under tools



Selecting Port

- Note items listed under port with board unplugged
 - Tools > Port
- Plug in, then select the new one
- May need to run as sudo to access under Linux



Basic Blink

- Blinking is a physical hello world
- Most Arduino boards have an onboard LED
- Examples under File > Example > ESP8266

```
const int led = 2;

void setup() {
  pinMode(led, OUTPUT);
}

void loop() {
  digitalWrite(led, LOW);
  delay(300);
  digitalWrite(led, HIGH);
  delay(300);
}
```

Basic Blink

- setup and loop run automatically
- OUTPUT, LOW and HIGH are defined for us
- LED_BUILTIN should map to the onboard LED pin, but mine was different
 - Hence the variable

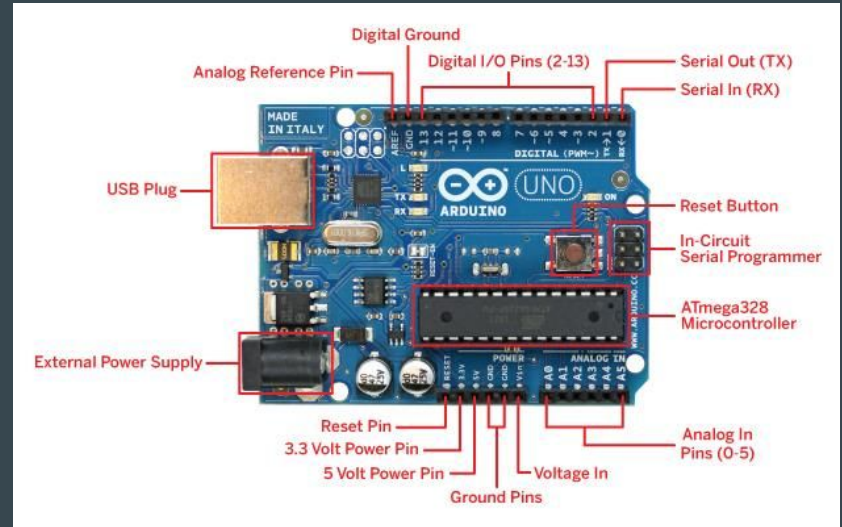
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Pins

- Plugs for electronic bits
- Can be input, output, power or ground
 - Input: button, sensor, switch
 - Output: LED, motor, speaker
- Digital
 - On or off
- Analog
 - Amount of current (mostly)
- Can also transfer data



Upload Code

- Click upload button to build and upload code



The screenshot shows the Arduino IDE interface with the 'Blink' sketch loaded. The upload button, represented by a right-pointing arrow, is highlighted with a red square in the top toolbar. Below the code editor, the status bar shows 'Done uploading.' and a progress bar for the upload process. The progress bar is divided into four segments with the following percentages: 32%, 65%, 97%, and 100%.

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Done uploading.

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1xModule, ESP8266-V2, 80 MHz, 4M (1M SPIFS), v2 Lower Memory, Disabled, None, Only Sketch, 115200 on /dev/cu.wchusbserial145230

IoT Code

Blink Without Delay

- Using delay is blocking
 - Will prevent doing anything else while running
- We need to change that before handling requests
- This example is from File > Examples > ESP8266 > BlinkWithoutDelay

Blink Without Delay

```
int ledState = LOW;
unsigned long previousMillis = 0;
long blinkInterval = 1000;

void blinkLed() {
    unsigned long currentMillis = millis();

    if (currentMillis - previousMillis >= blinkInterval) {
        previousMillis = currentMillis;

        if (ledState == LOW)
            ledState = HIGH;
        else
            ledState = LOW;

        digitalWrite(led, ledState);
    }
}
```


Blink Without Delay

```
void loop() {  
  blinkLed();  
}
```

Connecting to WiFi

```
#include <ESP8266WiFi.h>

void connectToWiFi() {
    WiFi.begin("SSID", "PASSWORD");

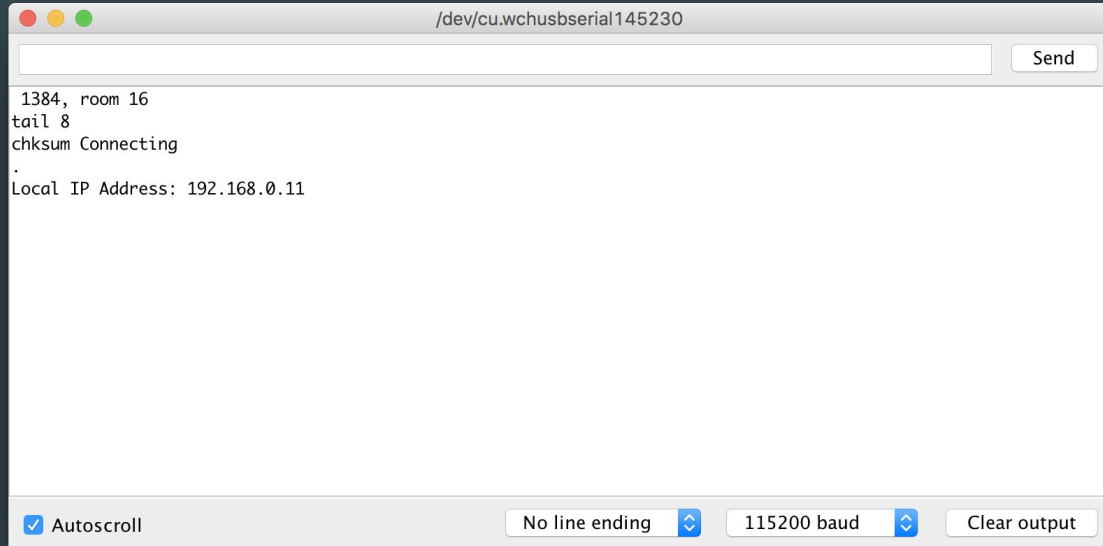
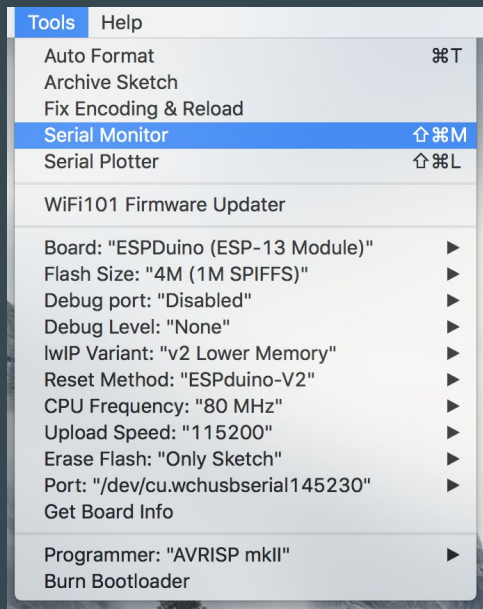
    Serial.println("Connecting");
    while (WiFi.status() != WL_CONNECTED) {
        delay(500);
        Serial.print(".");
    }
    Serial.println();

    Serial.print("Local IP Address: ");
    Serial.println(WiFi.localIP());
}
```

Connecting to WiFi

```
void setup() {  
  Serial.begin(115200);  
  connectToWiFi();  
  // ...  
}
```

Connect to WiFi



Starting a Server

```
#include <ESP8266WebServer.h>

ESP8266WebServer server(80);

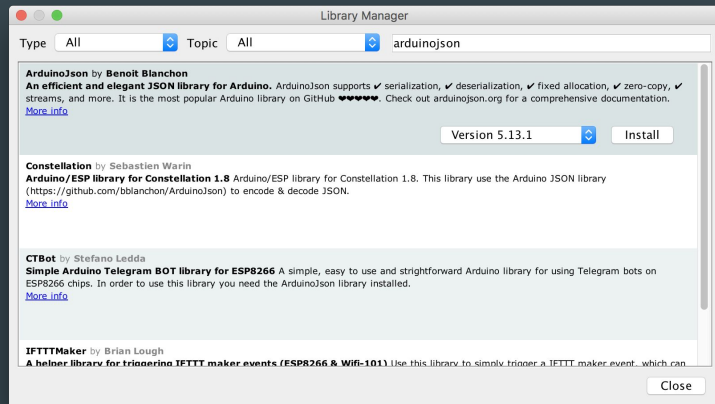
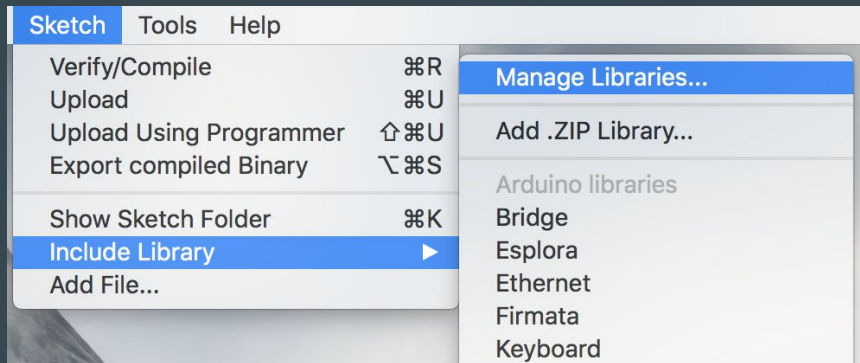
void setupServer() {
  server.on("/blink", HTTP_PATCH, handleBlink);
  server.begin();
}
```

Starting a Server

```
void setup() {  
  // ...  
  setupServer();  
}  
  
void loop() {  
  server.handleClient();  
  // ...  
}
```

Adding Libraries

- Need a library to use JSON
- Open Manage Libraries
 - Sketch > Add Library > Manage Libraries
- Search for "ArduinoJson" by Benoit Blanchon



Blink Route

```
#include <ArduinoJson.h>

bool ledBlinking = false;

void handleBlink() {
    StaticJsonBuffer<200> jsonBuffer;
    JsonObject& root = jsonBuffer.parseObject(server.arg("plain"));

    if (root.containsKey("blink")) {
        ledBlinking = root["blink"];
    }

    if (root.containsKey("blinkRate")) {
        blinkInterval = root["blinkRate"];
    }

    server.send(200, "text/plain", "I have blinked\n");
}
```


Endpoint Functionality

```
void setup() {  
  // ...  
  if (ledBlinking) {  
    blinkLed();  
  }  
}
```

Trying Out

- Compile and upload code
- Replace `$ESPIP` with the IP address

```
curl -H "Content-Type: application/json" -X PATCH -d '{ "blinkRate": 500, "blink": true }' $ESPIP/blink
```

Index Page

Sending HTML

- String
 - Easier for just HTML
 - `server.send(200, "text/html", "<h1>Hello<h1>");`
- SPIFFS
 - Nicer dev experience
 - Better memory management

Setup SPIFFS

- Download upload tool
 - <https://github.com/esp8266/arduino-esp8266fs-plugin/releases/download/0.1.3/ESP8266FS-0.1.3.zip>
- Extract Arduino tools directory
 - `~/Arduino/tools/ESP8266FS/tool/esp8266fs.jar`
 - Arduino path may be in `~/Documents`
 - Create `tools` dir if it doesn't exist
- Restart IDE
- Upload data item should be added to tools menu

<http://esp8266.github.io/Arduino/versions/2.0.0/doc/filesystem.html>

Create Index Route

```
void setupServer() {  
    server.on("/", HTTP_GET, handleIndex);  
    // ...  
}
```

Sending Index

```
#include <FS.h>

void handleIndex() {
    File index = SPIFFS.open("/index.html", "r");
    if (!index) {
        server.send(500, "text/html", "Unable to serve page\n");
        return;
    }

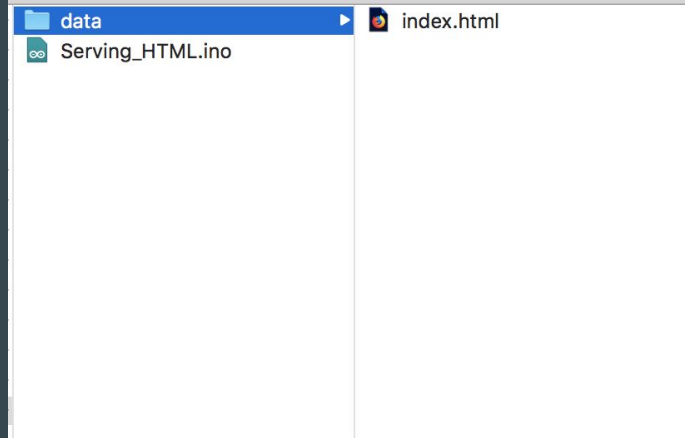
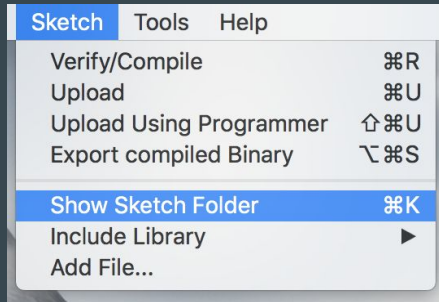
    server.streamFile(index, "text/html");
    index.close();
}
```

Start SPIFFS

```
void setup() {  
  SPIFFS.begin();  
  // ...  
}
```


Creating the Index File

- Create `data` directory in source directory
 - Sketch > Show Sketch Folder
- This is where to save files to upload



HTML Contents

```
<html>
<head lang="en">
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <title>Blink</title>
</head>
<body>
  <h1>ESP8266 Blink</h1>
</body>
</html>
```

HTML Form

```
<form id="blinkForm">
  <div>
    <label for="blinkRate">Blink Rate</label>
    <input type="number" name="blinkRate" id="blinkRate">
  </div>
  <div>
    <label for="shouldBlink">Should Blink</label>
    <input type="checkbox" name="shouldBlink" id="shouldBlink">
  </div>
  <div>
    <button type="submit">Update</button>
  </div>
</form>
```

Making Blink Request

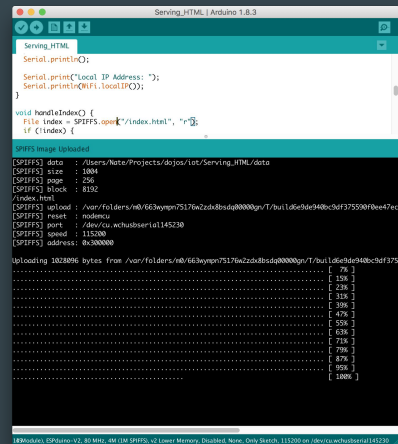
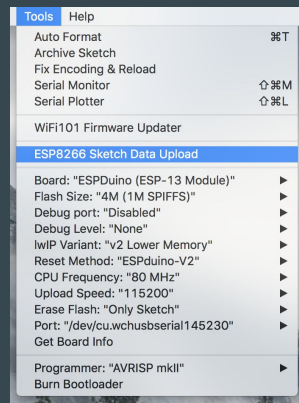
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<script>
  document.querySelector('#blinkForm').addEventListener('submit', (e) => {
    e.preventDefault();

    const postData = {
      blink: document.querySelector('#shouldBlink').checked,
      blinkRate: document.querySelector('#blinkRate').value,
    };
    const headers = {
      method: 'PATCH',
      headers: { 'Content-Type': 'application/json' },
      body: JSON.stringify(postData),
    };

    fetch('/blink', headers).then(res => console.log(res));
  });
</script>
```

Upload Index File

- In the IDE run the data uploader we installed
- Be sure to close the serial monitor
- You don't need to upload every time you upload your sketch
 - You also don't need to restart your board when you upload



Upload Sketch

- Upload sketch as usual

Useful Tips

- Examples come bundled
- Can create a .local domain
- Access point with a page to connect to WiFi
- You don't have much storage or memory
- VSCode plugin

<https://tttapa.github.io/ESP8266/Chap11%20-%20SPIFFS.html>

<https://github.com/NRauh/loT-Blink>