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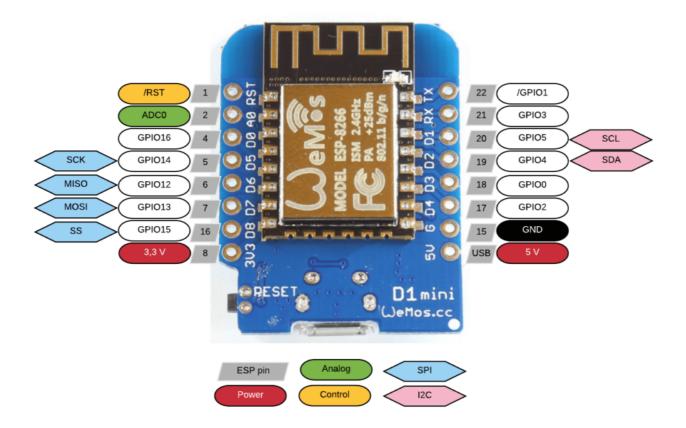
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Coding the WeMos D1 Mini using Arduino IDE

WeMOS D1 Mini is compact development boards available in the market. It is one of the board from ESP8266 family. In this article we will see coding the WeMos D1 Mini using Arduino IDE software.

WeMOS D1 Mini is equipped with **ESP8266** WiFi based micro-controller board. This development board helped to eradicate some of the complex issues while using wifi based chips and modules in IoT based projects.

Arduino boards are very popular these days among all electronics enthusiast. Arduino also provides IDE (Integrated Development Environment) which is a free tool and to use. Many development boards are supported by Arduino IDE and this is the biggest advantage.



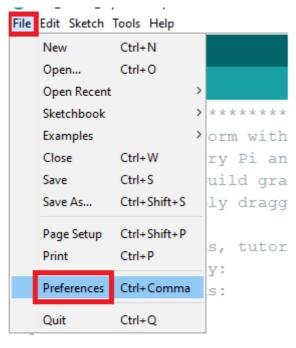
This D1 mini module is a mini WIFI board based on ESP-8266MOD. This board contains 11 digital I/O pins, all pins have interrupt / PWM / I2C with a micro-USB connection for power and data connectivity. This also has one analog pin for analog inputs. WeMos D1 Mini board is 100% compatible with Arduino IDE.

Step# 1 Configuring Arduino IDE

Before we proceed we need to configure Arduino IDE. It has been a great help since Arduino supports a wide range of development boards for programming and uploading codes. You can download Arduino IDE from the given link as per your operating system. After downloaded, install the Arduino IDE on your laptop or computer.

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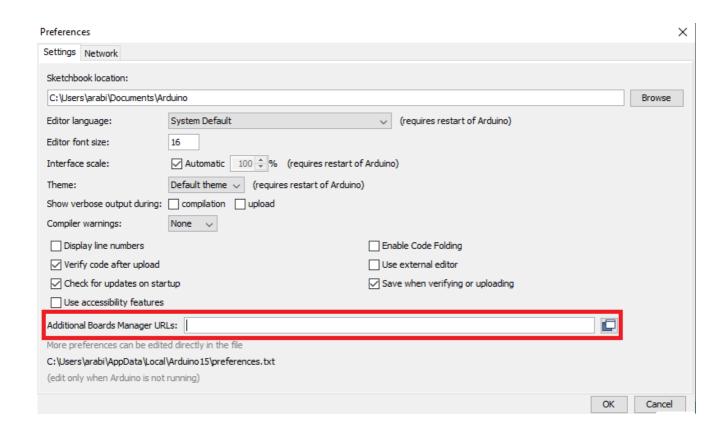
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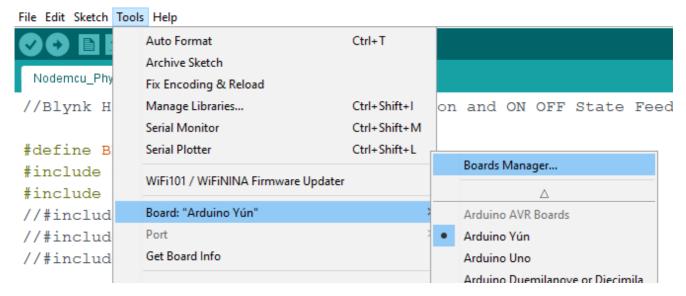
* Blynk library is license

Locate Boards Manager URLs and copy paste the below url and click OK

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



Now locate Tools -> Board -> Boards Manager...



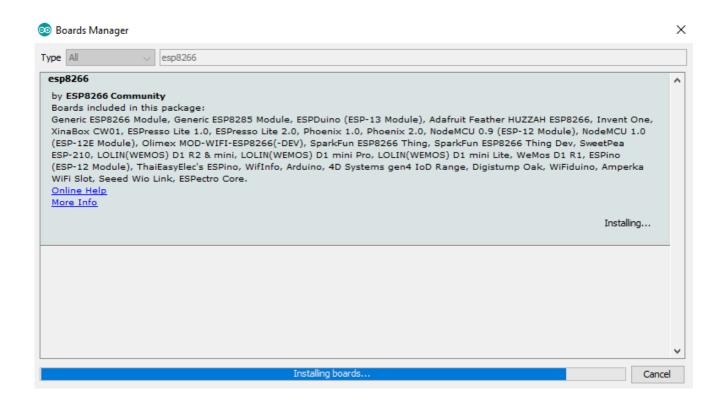
Search for "ESP8266". It will pop up with **esp8266 by ESP8266 Community.** Here you will find all esp8266 related development boards configurations.



You can select the version and click on **Install.** By default latest version will be selected.



The installation will start and will take 1-2 min to complete.



Finally the installation will complete.



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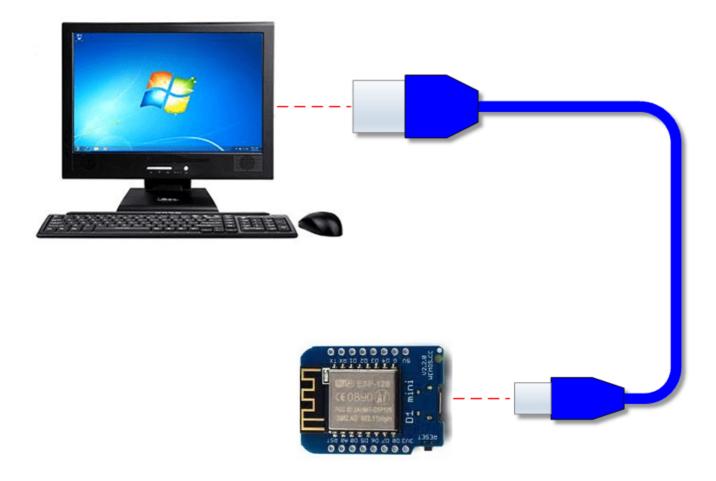
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Step# 2 Connection and Board Selection

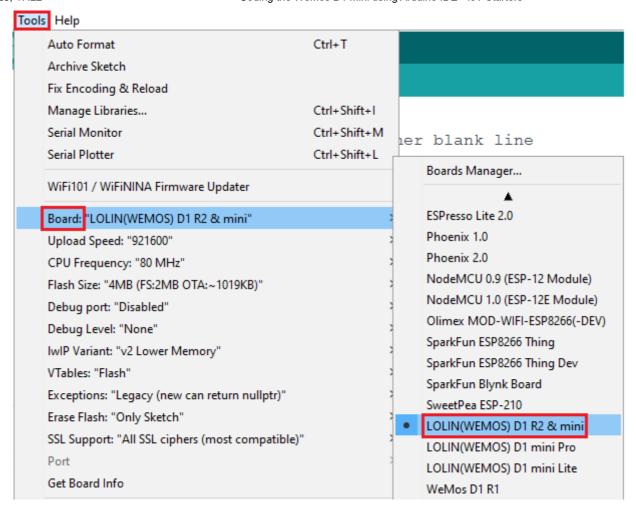
In this step you need to connect **WeMos D1 Mini** module with your computer. This requires a USB to Micro USB cable for connectivity. **WeMos D1 Mini** boards are have a micro USB port. You need a USB to micro USB cable to connect WeMos D1 Mini to the computer. Once you power on WeMos D1 Mini for the first time, the build-in LED will quickly blink and it will turn off

Some WeMos D1 Mini boards are preloaded with LED blink program once it is powered on.

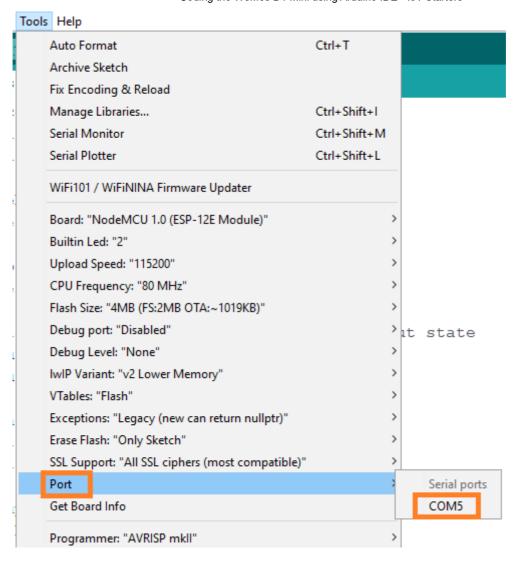
Note: Your USB cable should supports data transmission. If you connect your WeMOS D1 Mini with cables which supports only power supply, then you will find the WeMOS D1 Mini is powered on and red power light is on. Unfortunately there will be no data communication between them.



Select the board Tools -> Board -> LOLIN (WEMOS) D1 R2 & mini



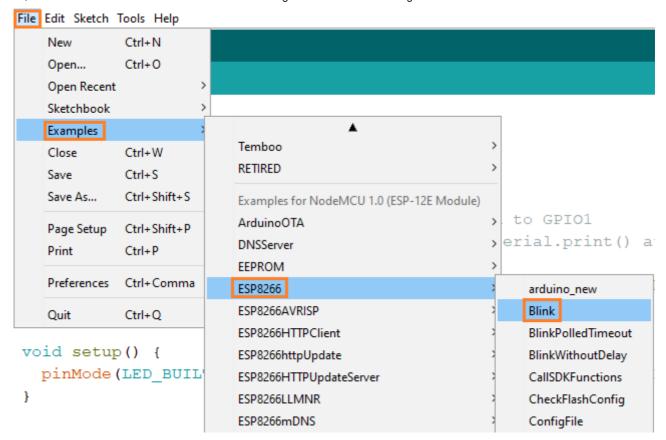
Select the proper port is very important. Select **Tools** -> **Port**



Step# 3 Uploading the first Sketch

For uploading the first sketch, we will be using built in sketch. Go to File ->

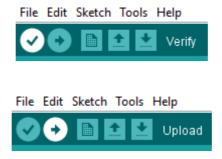
Examples -> ESP8266 -> Blink



Below is the Blink code, which will blink the on board blue led. The code is ready for uploading and no modification needed. Just click on upload button.

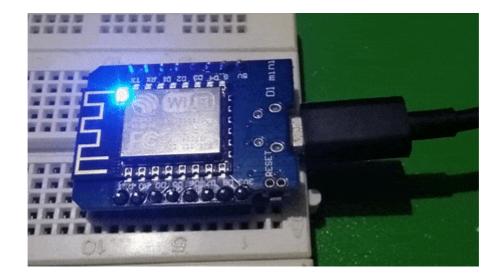
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  This example code is in the public domain
  The blue LED on the ESP-01 module is connected to GPIO1
  (which is also the TXD pin; so we cannot use Serial.print() at the same time)
  Note that this sketch uses LED BUILTIN to find the pin with the internal LED
void setup() {
  pinMode(LED BUILTIN, OUTPUT);
                                     // Initialize the LED BUILTIN pin as an output
// the loop function runs over and over again forever
void loop() {
  digitalWrite(LED BUILTIN, LOW);
                                     // Turn the LED on (Note that LOW is the voltage level
  // but actually the LED is on; this is because
  // it is active low on the ESP-01)
  delay(1000);
                                     // Wait for a second
  digitalWrite(LED BUILTIN, HIGH); // Turn the LED off by making the voltage HIGH
  delay(2000);
                                     // Wait for two seconds (to demonstrate the active low LED)
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Now Click on **Verify** button to compile and check for errors. If compilation is successful without any errors then click on **Upload.**



Step# 4 Testing

Once you upload the code successfully in WeMos D1 Mini the blue led will start blinking with a interval of 1 sec. If you get this result then you have successfully uploaded your first code in WeMos D1 Mini. Host this was easy tutorial on easy WeMos D1 Mini programming with simple steps.



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4 thoughts on "Coding the WeMos D1 Mini using Arduino IDE"



Kevin Tidy

February 6, 2021 at 5:28 pm

Very good, got my Wemos D1 to blink 🙂

But how do I turn it off?

Reply



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February 8, 2021 at 10:38 am

For turning it off you can either disconnect it from power or you can flash empty code to WeMOS D1 mini.

Reply



Think Mark

October 21, 2021 at 12:01 pm

That's the neat part, you don't!

Reply



Albert Leenders

April 24, 2021 at 7:29 pm

dit werkt, maar nu is alles grijs en kan ik de schets niet meer aanpassen met b.v. tijd, hoe kan ik dit oplossen en of veranderen?

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