

# Arduino C++ Programming

Advanced Concepts

<https://www.arduino.cc/reference/en/>

# Basic Sketch-setup() and loop()

## setup()

- called once at the start of your program

Use it to initialize variables, pin modes, start using libraries etc.

## loop()

- it loops over and over again executing its code over and over again

Use it to actively control the microcontroller

# Tinkercad and Wokwi

We will use both the Arduino IDE, Tinkercad and Wokwi to create and code microcontroller based projects in this class.

**Arduino IDE**→search for Arduino in your windows search bar

<https://www.tinkercad.com/>

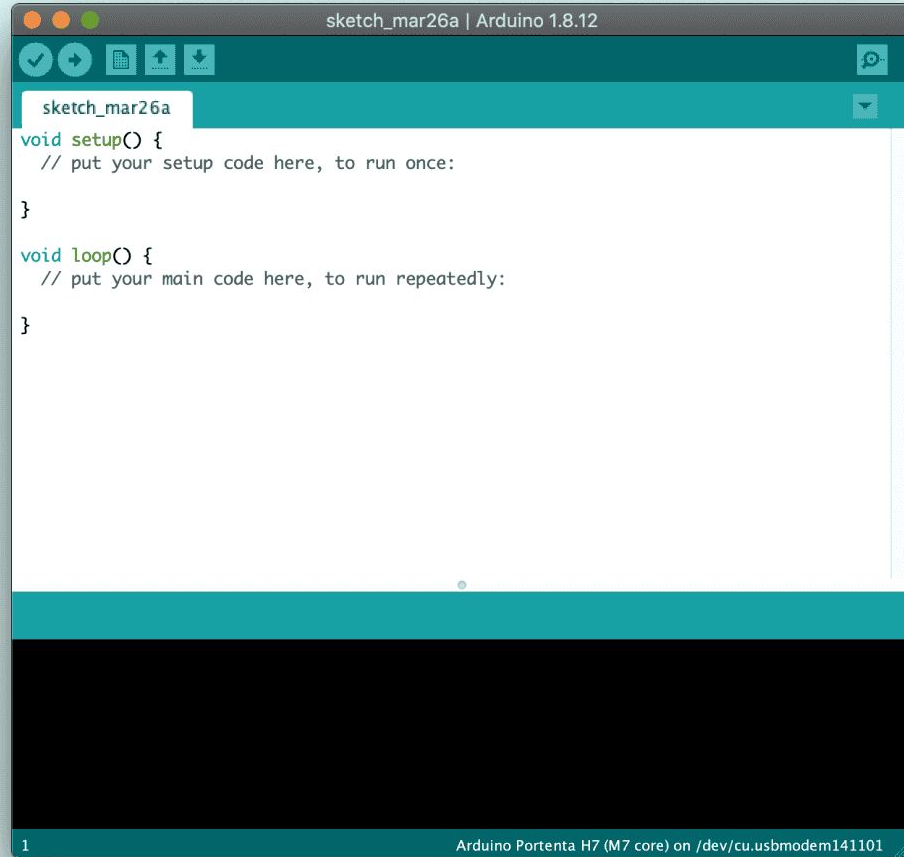
<https://wokwi.com/>

Tinkercad is used mainly for work with the Arduino Uno.

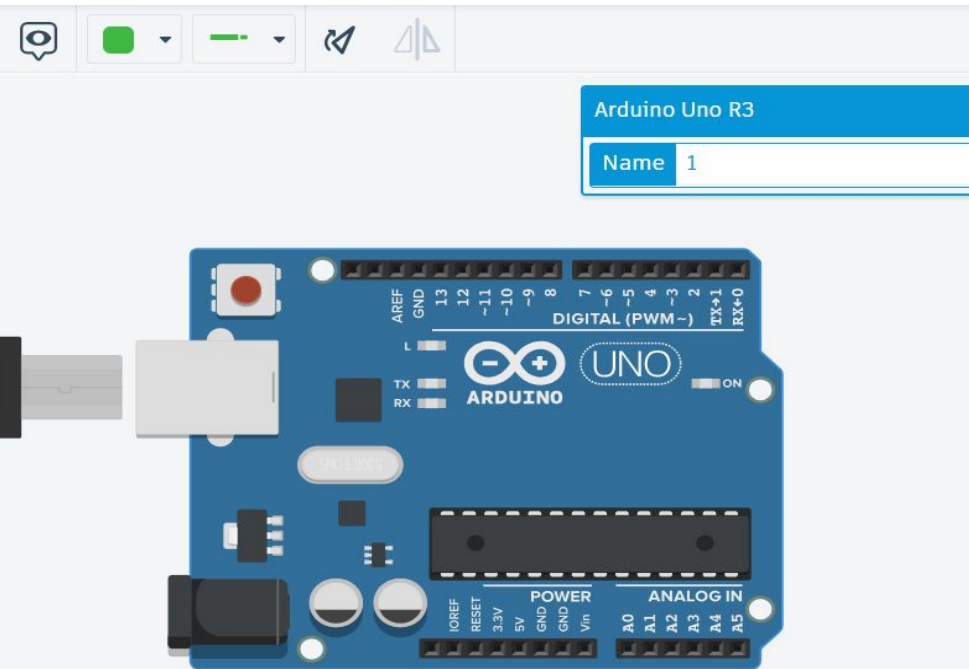
Wokwi will be used mainly for work with the ESP32 microcontroller.

Make sure to create accounts at both places and to join my classroom at Tinkercad. Ask for my class link code if you haven't joined the class yet.

# Arduino IDE

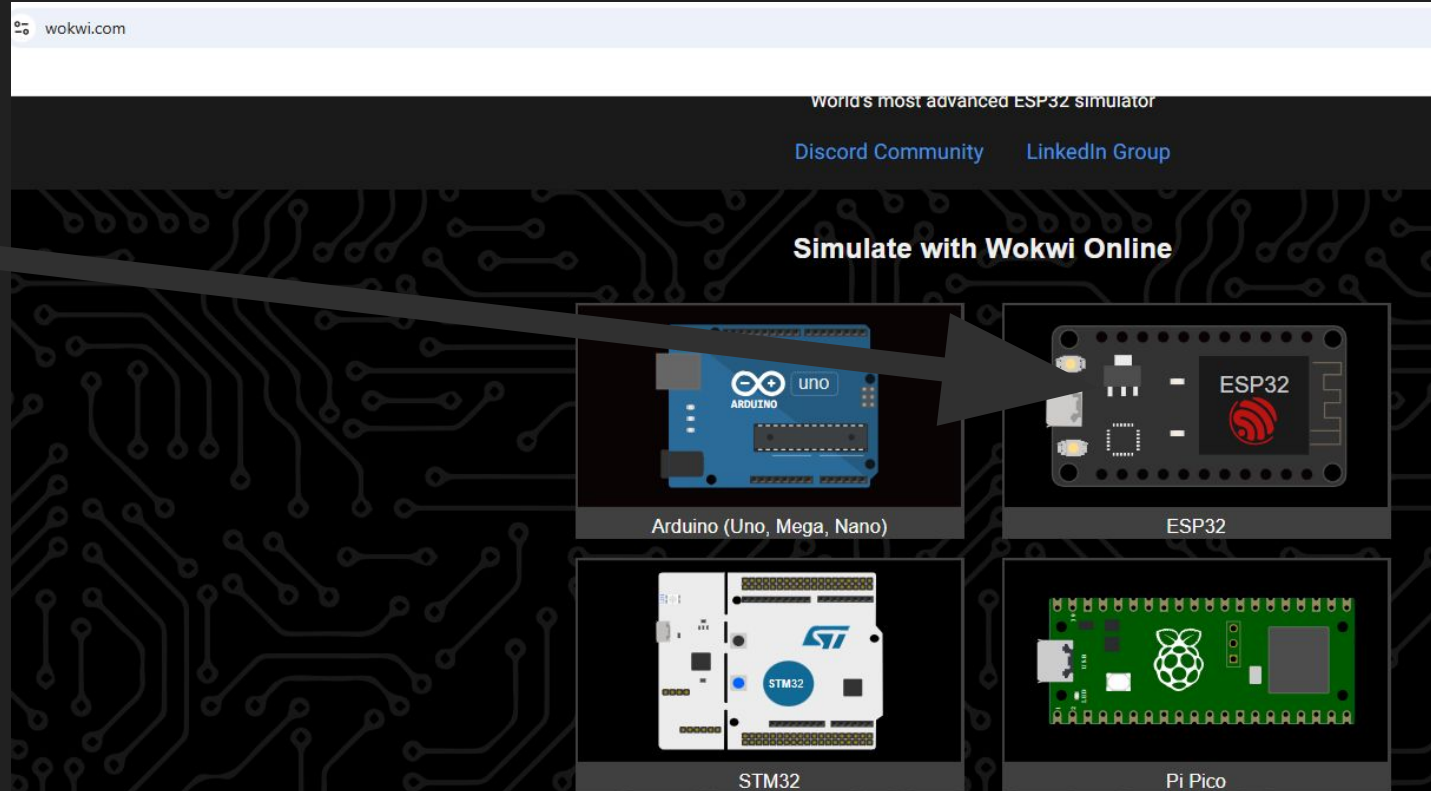


# Tinkercad Code



# Wokwi Code

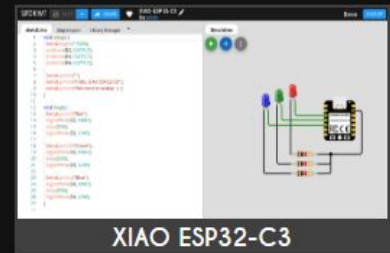
Go to [wokwi.com](https://wokwi.com)  
and select the  
ESP32  
templates.



# Starter Templates

We will be working with the base ESP2 and ESP32-C6 microcontrollers so you can pick either depending on what we are using at the time. For now the base ESP32 should be selected

## Starter Templates



# Wokwi Code

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Library Manager

```
1 void setup() {  
2   // put your setup code here, to run once:  
3   Serial.begin(115200);  
4   Serial.println("Hello, ESP32!");  
5 }  
6  
7 void loop() {  
8   // put your main code here, to run repeatedly:  
9   delay(10); // this speeds up the simulation  
10 }  
11
```

Simulation



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```
mode:DI0, clock div:2  
load:0x3fff0030,len:1156  
load:0x40078000,len:11456  
ho 0 tail 12 room 4  
load:0x40080400,len:2972  
entry 0x400805dc  
Hello, ESP32!
```





# Serial (<https://www.arduino.cc/reference/en/language/functions/communication/serial/begin/>)

- used to communicate with the microcontroller over a serial port i.e. COM ports
- has many functions to allow for data to be sent to and read from the microcontroller
- the most common function is **begin()** which sets the data rate for communication between the computer and the microcontroller
- for the **Arduino** this rate is **9600** and for the **ESP32** its **115200**

## Example Code

```
void setup() {  
    Serial.begin(9600); // opens serial port, sets data rate to 9600 bps  
}  
  
void loop() {}
```

# print() and println()

- these functions are used to send data to the Serial Monitor (**Tools>serial Monitor**)

- println() sends a carriage return or line break at the end

- print() does not include a line break

- both send the data to the Serial Monitor as text or a string

- both can send data formatted using a second optional parameter

# Formatting

- `Serial.print(78, BIN)` gives "1001110"
- `Serial.print(78, OCT)` gives "116"
- `Serial.print(78, DEC)` gives "78"
- `Serial.print(78, HEX)` gives "4E"
- `Serial.print(1.23456, 0)` gives "1"
- `Serial.print(1.23456, 2)` gives "1.23"
- `Serial.print(1.23456, 4)` gives "1.2346"

# Escape Characters

`\t` → tab space

`\n` → line break

# Serial.write()

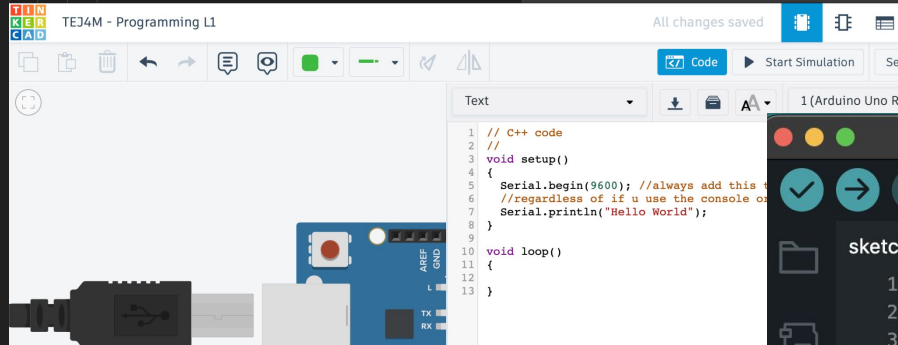
- sends the binary representation of the written value

- for example `Serial.write(99);` actually sends `1100011` to the Serial Monitor which in turn converts it back to its string representation

- `1100011` as a string is the letter “c” (you can check this by searching up the ASCII chart)

- if you write() a string it sends the string as an array of bytes ex. `Serial.write("cat")` sends “c”, then “a” and then “t”

1. Create an Arduino program that says "Hello World!". Do this at Tinkercad, Wokwi and in the Arduino IDE.



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sketch.ino diagram.json Library Manager

Simulation

```
1 void setup() {
2   Serial.begin(9600);
3   Serial.println("Hello World");
4 }
5
6
7 void loop() {
8   // put your main code here, to run repeatedly:
9 }
10
11
```

Restart the simulation

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Select Board

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```
1 void setup() {
2   Serial.begin(9600);
3   Serial.println("Hello World");
4 }
5
6
7 void loop() {
8   // put your main code here, to run repeatedly:
9 }
10
```

2 Create a program that says "Hello World!" 3 times on separate lines.

```
1  // C++ code
2  //
3  void setup()
4  {
5      Serial.begin(9600); //always add this to every program
6      //regardless of if u use the console or not
7      for (int i=0; i<3; i++){
8          Serial.println("Hello World!");
9      }
10 }
11
12 void loop()
13 {
14
15 }
```

3. Using tab spaces create a program that display something like the following in the Serial Monitor:

Date	Time	Result
------	------	--------

```
// C++ code
//
void setup()
{
  Serial.begin(9600);
  Serial.println("Date\t\tTime\t\tResult");
}

void loop()
{
}
```



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5. Write a program to display a table of decimal numbers and their binary, octal, and hex equivalents. Show the results for decimal numbers 5,10,15, and 20. Use tab spaces to make the table look nice.

```
void setup()
{
  Serial.begin(9600);
  Serial.println("Decimal\tBin\t\tOct\tHex");
  Serial.println("5\t0101\t\t5\t5");
  Serial.println("10\t1010\t\t12\tA");
  Serial.println("15\t1111\t\t17\tF");
  Serial.println("20\t0001 0100\t24\t14");
}
```

6. Find and list at least 3 other functions that belong to Serial.

`Serial.print(data)`

Sends data to the serial port as human-readable text (e.g., `Serial.print("Hello");`).

`Serial.read()`

Reads incoming serial data (returns the first byte of incoming data).

`Serial.available()`

Returns the number of bytes available for reading from the serial buffer.

```
void setup() {  
  Serial.print(7);  
  Serial.print("\t\t");  
  Serial.print(7, DEC);  
  Serial.print("\t");  
  Serial.print(7, HEX);  
  Serial.print("\t");  
  Serial.print(7, OCT);  
  Serial.print("\t");  
  Serial.println(7, BIN);  
}
```