

# THE MOST COMPLETE STARTER KIT TUTORIAL FOR Nano

# **Preface**

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#### **Our Tutorial**

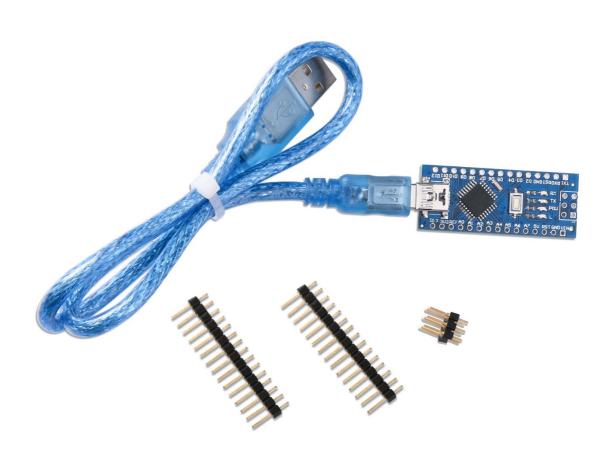
This tutorial is designed for beginners. You will learn all the basic information about how to use the Arduino controller board, sensors and components. If you want to study Arduino in more depth, we recommend that you read the book "Arduino Cookbook" by Michael Margolis.

Some code in this tutorial has been edited by Simon Monk. Simon Monk is the author of a number of books relating to Open Source Hardware. Some of his works include "Programming Arduino", "30 Arduino Projects for the Evil Genius" and "Programming the Raspberry Pi" and can be found on Amazon

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#### **Lesson 0 Installing IDE**

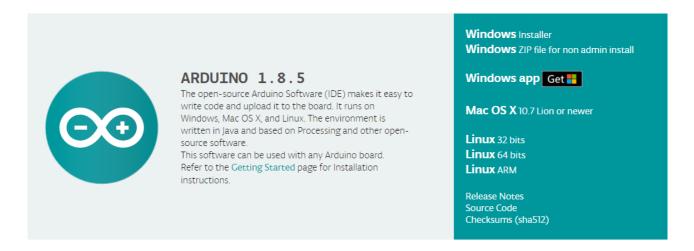
#### Introduction

The Arduino Integrated Development Environment (IDE) is the software side of the Arduino platform.

In this lesson, you will learn how to setup your computer to use Arduino and how to set about the lessons that follow.

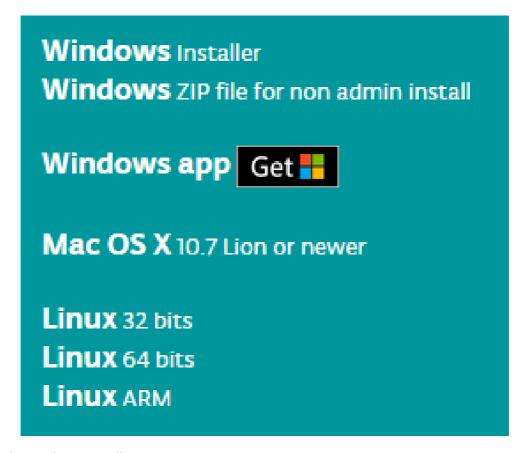
The Arduino software that you will use to program your Arduino is available for Windows, Mac and Linux. The installation process is different for all three platforms and there is a certain amount of manual work to install the software.

STEP 1: Go to <a href="https://www.arduino.cc/en/Main/Software">https://www.arduino.cc/en/Main/Software</a> and find the page below.



The version available at this website is usually the latest version, and the actual version may be newer than the version in the picture.

STEP2: Download the development software that is compatible with the operating system of your computer. Take Windows as an example here.



Click Windows Installer.

# Support the Arduino Software

Consider supporting the Arduino Software by contributing to its development. (US tax payers, please note this contribution is not tax deductible). Learn more on how your contribution will be used.



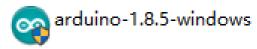
Click JUSTDOWNLOAD.

#### At the same time, you also could download the Arduino IDE from our official web-

#### http://www.elegoo.com/download/

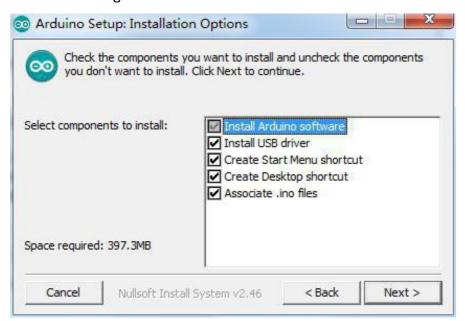
Installing Arduino (Windows)

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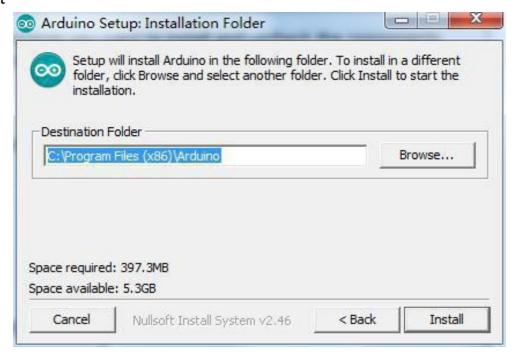




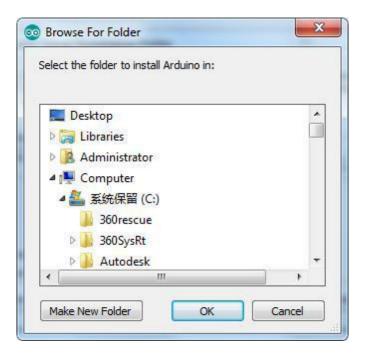
Click I Agree to see the following interface



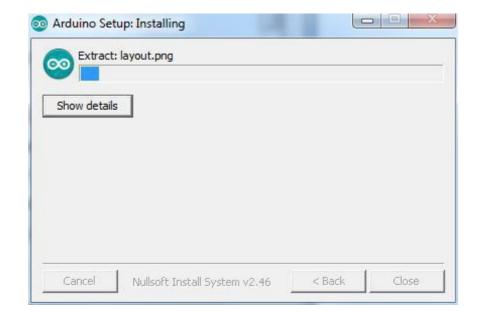
#### Click Next



You can press Browse... to choose an installation path or directly type in the directory you want.



#### Click *Install* to initiate installation



Finally, the following interface appears, click *Install* to finish the installation.



# Next, the following icon appears on the desktop

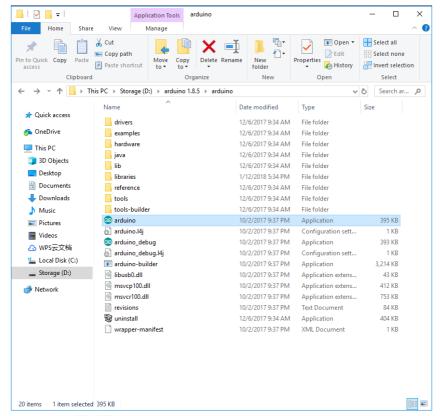


Double-click to enter the desired development environment

You may directly choose the installation package for installation and skip the contents below and jump to the next section. But if you want to learn some methods other than the installation package, please continue to read the section.

Unzip the zip file downloaded, Double-click to open the program and enter the desired development environment





# arduino.exe

# **Lesson 1 Add Libraries and Installing the CH340 driver**

#### **Install other Arduino libraries**

Once you are comfortable with the Arduino software and using the built-in functions, you may want to extend the ability of your Arduino with additional libraries.

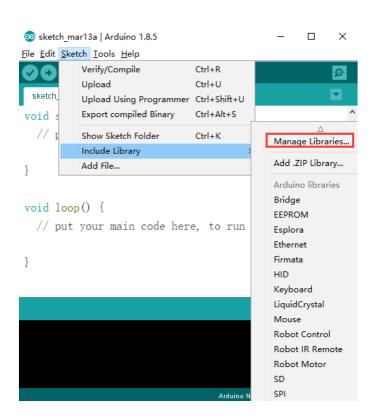
#### What are Libraries?

Libraries are a collection of code that makes it easy for you to connect to a sensor, display, module, etc. For example, the built-in Liquid Crystal library makes it easy to talk to character LCD displays. There are hundreds of additional libraries available on the Internet for download. The built-in libraries and some of these additional libraries are listed in the reference. To use the additional libraries, you will need to install them.

#### How to Install a Library

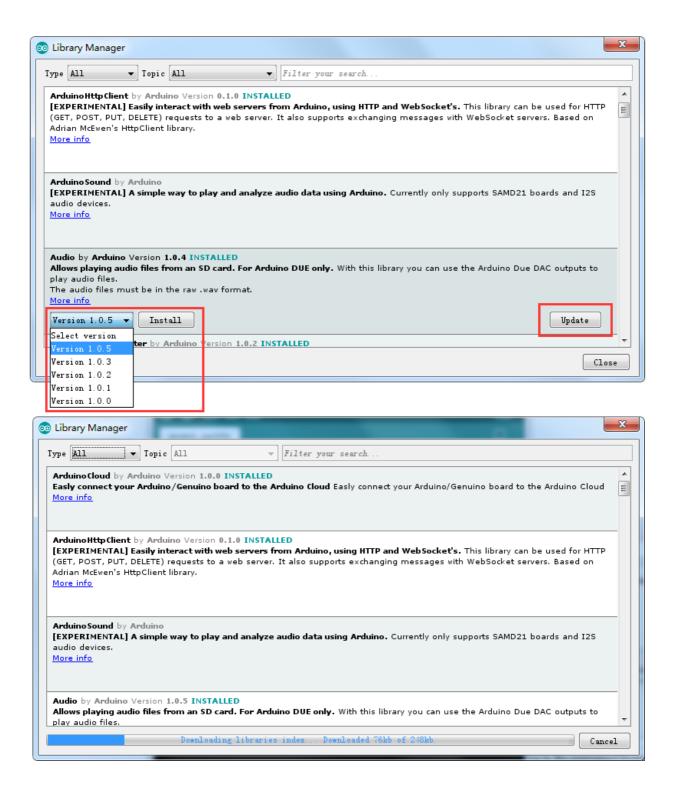
Using the Library Manager

To install a new library into your Arduino IDE you can use the Library Manager (available from IDE version 1.8.5). Open the IDE and click to the "Sketch" menu and then Include Library > Manage Libraries.

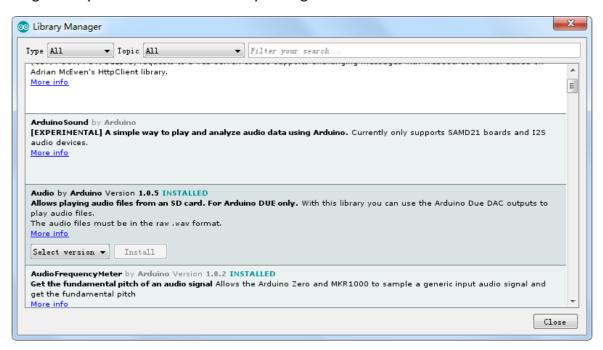


Then the library manager will open and you will find a list of libraries that are already installed or ready for installation. In this example we will install the Bridge library. Scroll the list to find it, then select the version of the library you want to install. Sometimes only one version of the library is available. If the version selection menu does not appear, don't worry: it is normal.

There are times you have to be patient with it, just as shown in the figure. Please refresh it and wait.



Finally click on install and wait for the IDE to install the new library. Downloading may take time depending on your connection speed. Once it has finished, an Installed tag should appear next to the Bridge library. You can close the library manager.

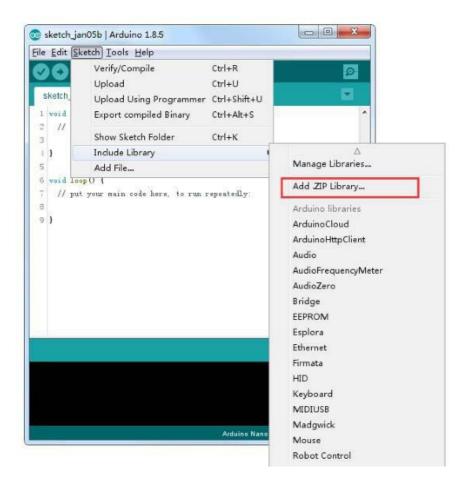


You can now find the new library available in the Include Library menu. If you want to add your own library open a new issue on **GitHub**.

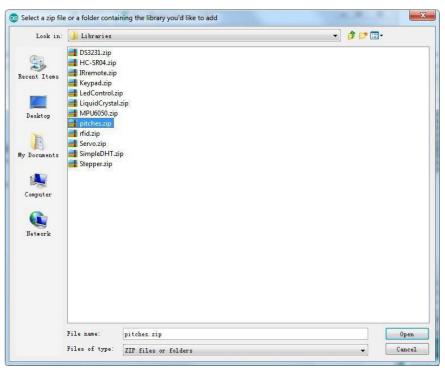
#### Importing a .zip Library

Libraries are often distributed as a ZIP file or folder. The name of the folder is the name of the library. Inside the folder will be a .cpp file, a .h file and often a keywords.txt file, examples folder, and other files required by the library. Starting with version 1.0.5, you can install 3rd party libraries in the IDE. Do not unzip the downloaded library, leave it as is.

In the Arduino IDE, navigate to Sketch > Include Library. At the top of the drop down list, select the option to "Add .ZIP Library".

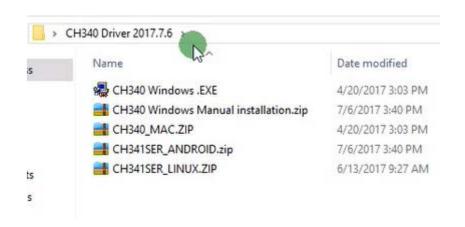


You will be prompted to select the Libraries you would like to add. Navigate to the .zip file's location and open it.

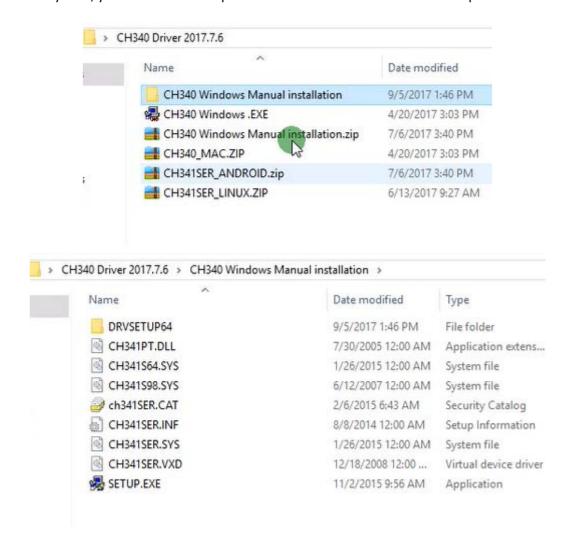


Now please download drive for CH340 from www.elegoo.com/download

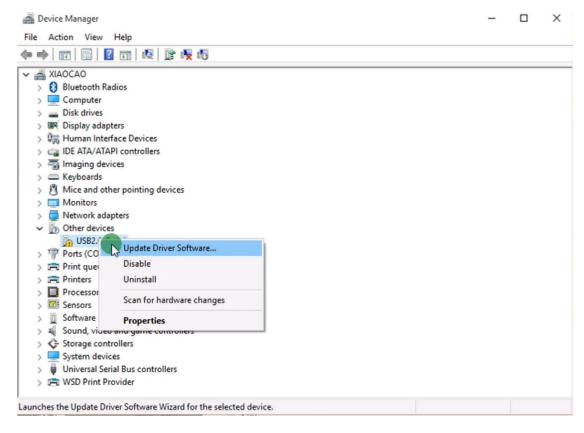




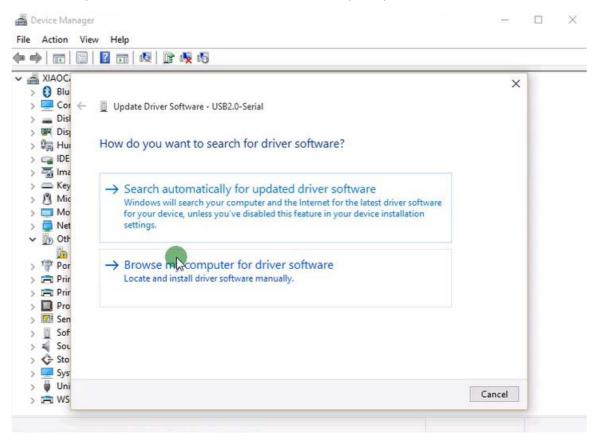
In Windows system, you will need to unzip "CH340 Windows Manual installation.zip"



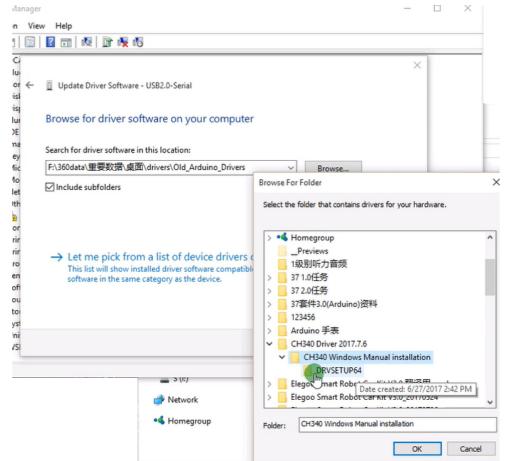
Second, open My computer, right click Mange Device and you will see the window below



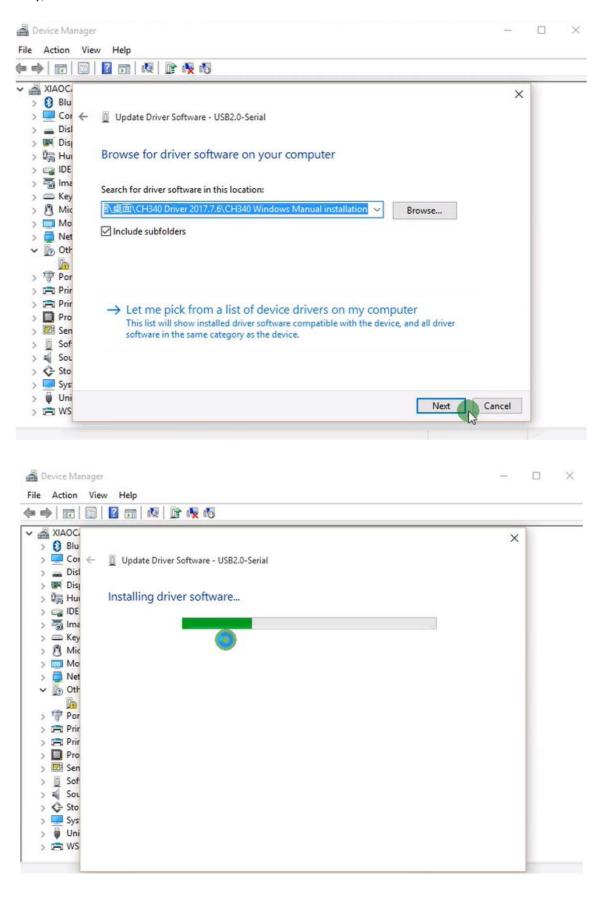
Third, double click "Update Driver Software" and click "Browse my computer for driver software"

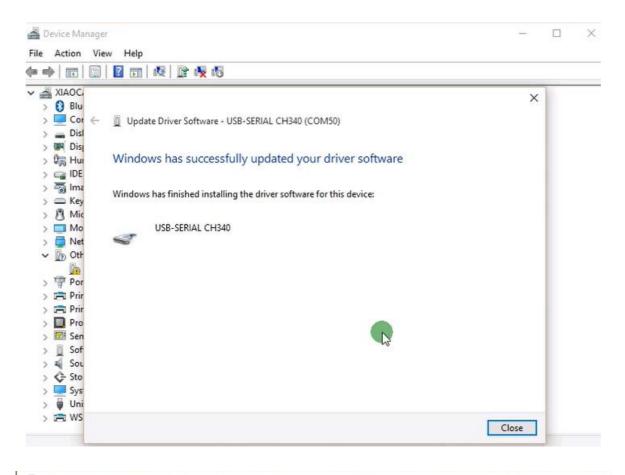


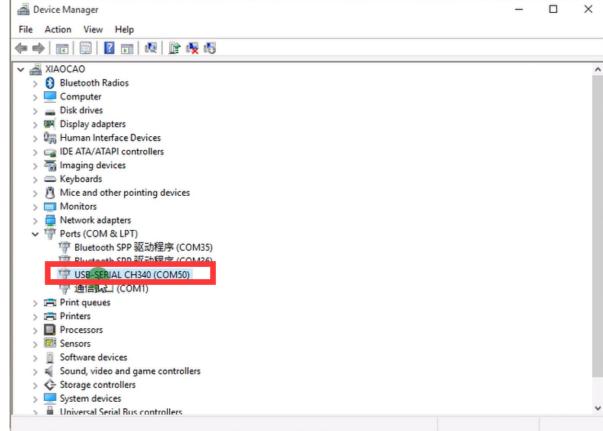
Fourth, Choose "CH340 Windows Manual installation" and lick "OK"



#### Finally, Click "Next" to install







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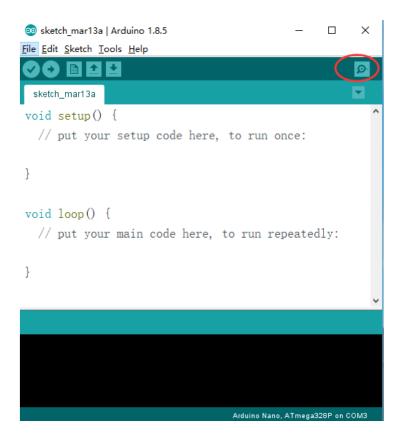
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# **Lesson 2 Open Arduino Serial Monitor**

The Arduino Integrated Development Environment (IDE) is the software side of the Arduino platform. And, because using a terminal is such a big part of working with Arduinos and other microcontrollers, they decided to include a serial terminal with the software. Within the Arduino environment, this is called the Serial Monitor.

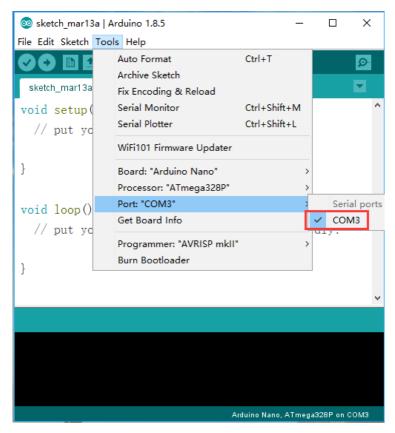
#### **Making a Connection**

The serial monitor comes with any and all versions of the Arduino IDE. To open it, simply click the Serial Monitor icon.

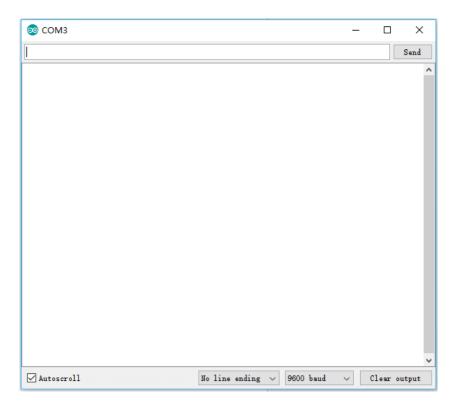


Selecting which port to open in the Serial Monitor is the same as selecting a port for uploading Arduino code. Go to Tools -> Serial Port, and select the correct port.

Tips: Choose the same COM port that is shown in Device Manager.

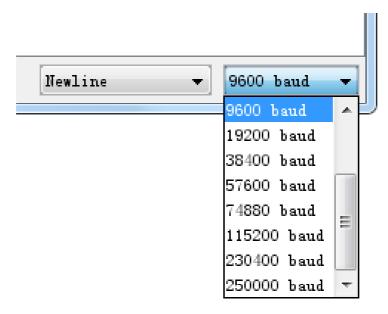


Once open, you should see something like this:

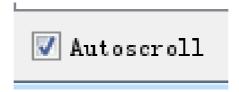


#### **Settings**

The Serial Monitor has limited settings, but enough to handle most of your serial communication needs. The first setting you can alter is the baud rate. Click on the baud rate drop-down menu to select the correct baud rate. (9600 baud)



Last, you can set the terminal to Auto scroll or not by checking the box in the bottom left corner.



#### **Pros**

The Serial Monitor is a great quick and easy way to establish a serial connection with your Arduino. If you're already working in the Arduino IDE, there's really no need to open up a separate terminal to displaydata.

#### Cons

The lack of settings leaves much to be desired in the Serial Monitor. And for advanced serial communications, it may not do the trick.

#### **Lesson 3 Blink**

#### **Overview**

In this lesson, you will learn how to program your MEGA2560 R3 controller board to blink the Arduino's built-in LED, and how to download programs by basic steps.

#### **Component Required:**

(1) x Elegoo Nano

#### **Principle**

The MEGA2560 R3 board has rows of connectors along both sides that are used to connect to several electronic devices and plug-in 'shields' that extends its capability. It also has a single LED that you can control from your sketches. This LED is built onto the MEGA2560 R3 board and is often referred to as the 'L' LED as this is how it is labeled on the board.



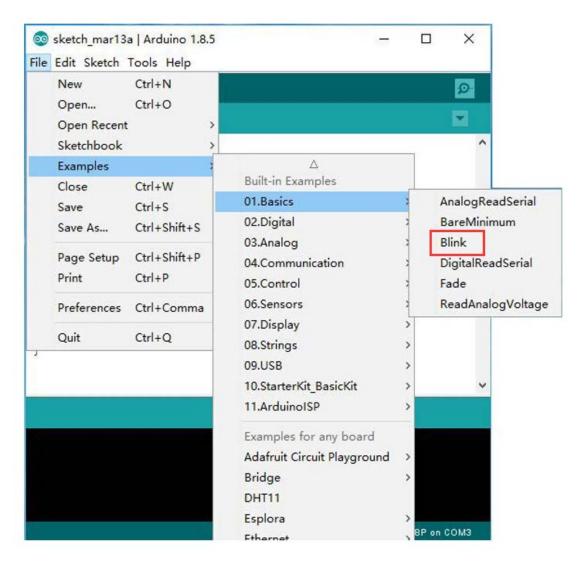
You may find that your Nano R3 board's 'L' LED already blinks when you connect it to a USB plug. This is because the boards are generally shipped with the 'Blink' sketch pre-installed.

In this lesson, we will reprogram the Nano R3 board with our own Blink sketch and then change the rate at which it blinks.

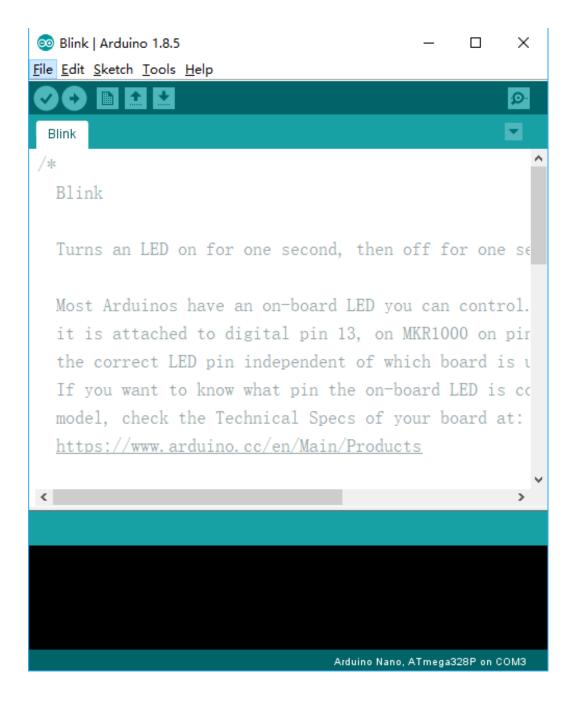
In Lesson 0, you set up your Arduino IDE and made sure that you could find the right serial port for it to connect to your Nano R3 board. The time has now come to put that connection to the test and program your Nano R3 board.

The Arduino IDE includes a large collection of example sketches that you can load up and use. This includes an example sketch for making the 'L' LED blink.

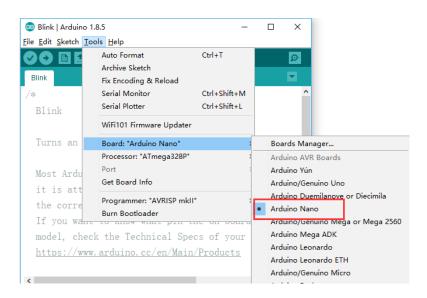
Load the 'Blink' sketch that you will find in the IDE's menu system under File > Examples > 01.Basics

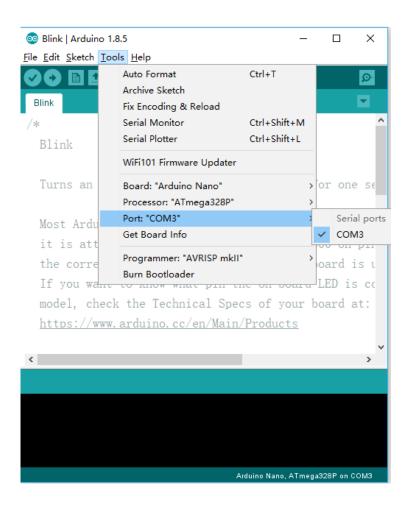


When the sketch window opens, enlarge it so that you can see the entire sketch in the window.

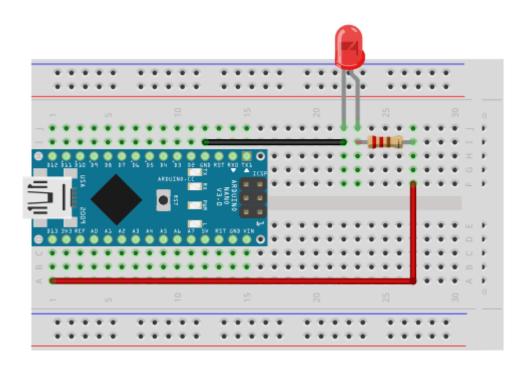


Attach your Arduino board to your computer with the USB cable and check that the 'Board Type' and 'Serial Port' are set correctly.





# Wiring diagram



### Code