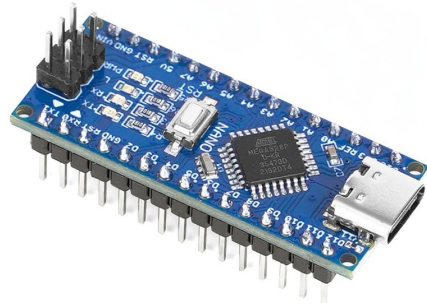


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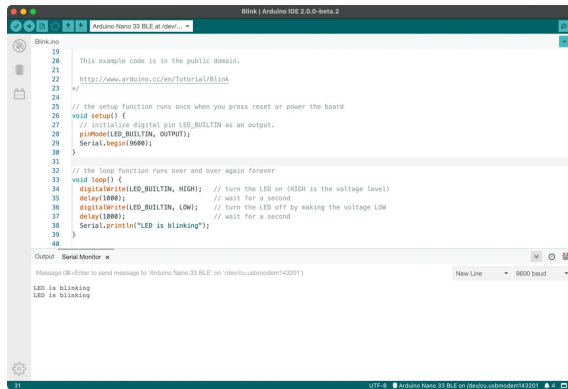


## Lab goals

- Download and install Arduino IDE
- Copy and paste a basic program into Arduino IDE
- Learn to program your development board

## Required hardware/software

- Arduino Nano (clone) development board
- USB cable
- Laptop running Windows 10 or Windows 11
- Arduino IDE



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## Steps

1. Download and install Arduino IDE (v2.3.7) from the following link:  
**[https://downloads.arduino.cc/arduino-ide/arduino-ide\\_latest\\_Windows\\_64bit.exe](https://downloads.arduino.cc/arduino-ide/arduino-ide_latest_Windows_64bit.exe)**
  2. Open the newly installed Arduino IDE.
  3. Verify that **Arduino AVR Boards by Arduino (v1.8.6)** is installed via Boards Manager.  
(*Tools > Board ... > Board Manager*)
  4. Select **Arduino Nano** board.  
(*Tools > Board ... > Arduino AVR Boards > Arduino Nano*)
  5. Copy and paste the code found at the following URL into the Arduino IDE's text editor window (this is the main window in the Arduino IDE):  
**<https://raw.githubusercontent.com/dandandrea/intro-microcontrollers-lab-001/refs/heads/main/intro-microcontrollers-lab-001.ino>**
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## Steps (continued)

6. Save the “Arduino Sketch” (program) and name it ***intro-microcontrollers-lab-001***  
(File > Save)
7. Connect your development board to your laptop via the included USB cable.
8. Select the COM port for your Arduino Nano board.  
(Tools > Port)  
*If more than one choice of port available then use Windows Device Manager to identify COM port of device named “USB-Serial CH340”*
9. Program your Arduino Nano board with the program displayed in Arduino IDE.  
(Sketch > Upload)
10. Verify that the LED on your Arduino Nano board is now blinking (not to be confused with the always-on power LED).
11. Change values of LED\_ON\_DURATION\_MILLISECONDS and LED\_OFF\_DURATION\_MILLISECONDS, program your board, and observe the effects.