Lab Exercise 4

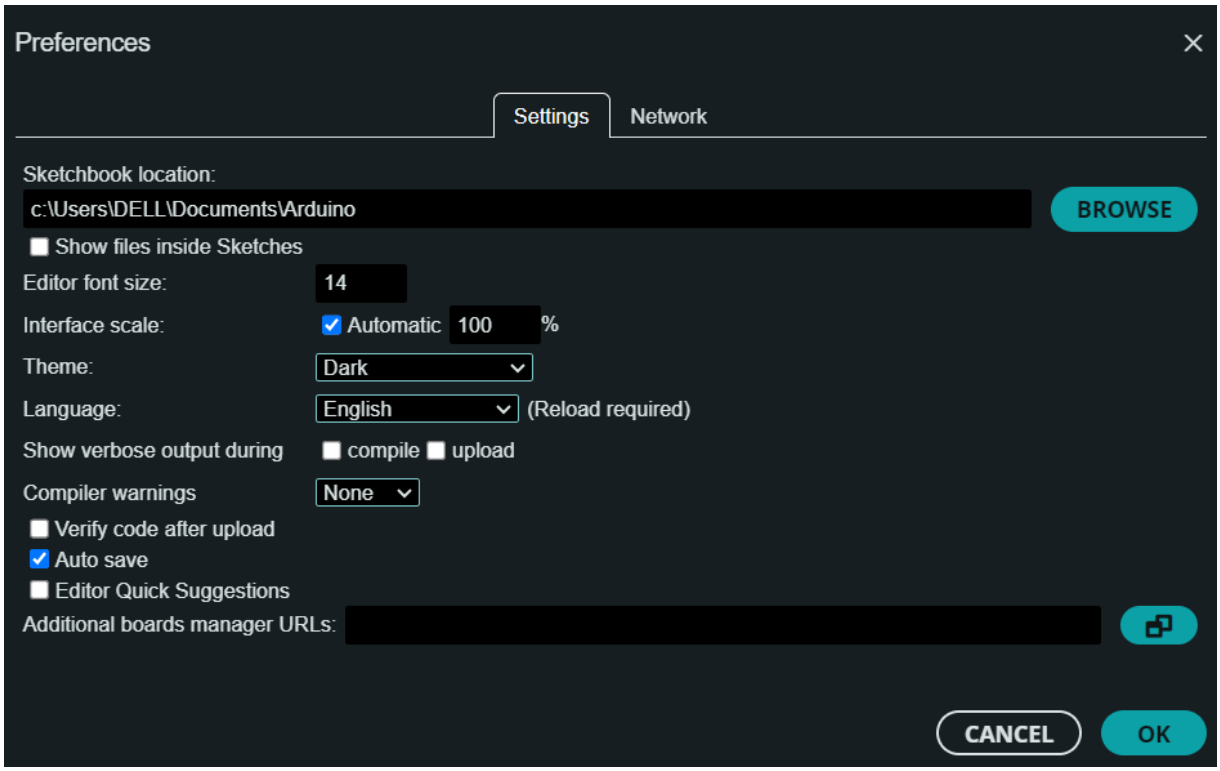
IT4030 - Internet of Things (IoT) 2024

# Lab 4: measure humidity and temperature using a NodeMCU (ESP8266) and a DHT11 sensor while publishing the data to Adafruit IO

1) Goto **Adafruit** and create a user account. (IO -> Feeds{Create two feeds})
   Adafruit Industries, Unique & fun DIY electronics and kits

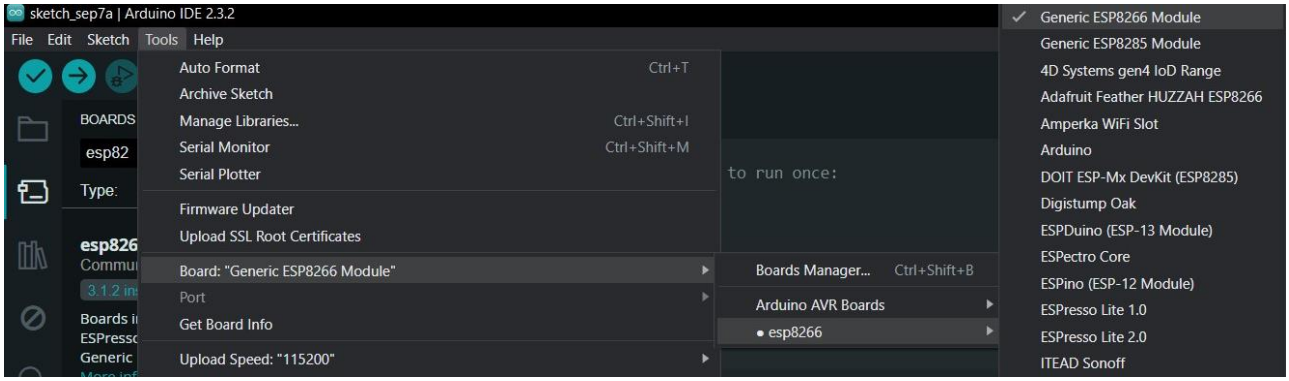
2) i)Search **"Nodemcu ESP8266 Preferences link"** and copy the link or,
   ii)visit Quick Start to Nodemcu (ESP8266) on Arduino IDE : 3 Steps (with Pictures) - Instructables or any suitable website and copy Preferences link or,
   iii)use http://arduino.esp8266.com/stable/package_esp8266com_index.json link as Preferences link.

3) Goto Arduino IDE -> File -> Preferences -> Additional boards manager URLs -> Paste the link -> OK



4) Arduino IDE -> Tools -> Board -> Board Manager -> Search “esp8266” -> Install

5) Arduino IDE -> Tools -> Board -> esp8266 -> Generic ESP8266 Module




6) Code

```
#include <ESP8266WiFi.h>

#include <Adafruit_MQTT.h>

#include <Adafruit_MQTT_Client.h>

#include <DHT11.h>


// Replace these with your network and Adafruit IO credentials

#define WIFI_SSID       "wifiname"

#define WIFI_PASS       "password"

#define AIO_SERVER      "io.adafruit.com"

#define AIO_SERVERPORT  1883                   // Use 8883 for SSL

#define AIO_USERNAME    "hanojhanr"

#define AIO_KEY         "aio_iRMM32P9cjTIzez13nlulpmfN0qj"


#define DHTPIN 4    // DHT11 sensor data pin connected to ESP8266 to pin 4

DHT11 dht11(DHTPIN);
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```
WiFiClient client;

Adafruit_MQTT_Client mqtt(&client, AIO_SERVER, AIO_SERVERPORT,
AIO_USERNAME, AIO_KEY);



// Setup feeds for temperature and humidity

Adafruit_MQTT_Publish temperatureFeed = Adafruit_MQTT_Publish(&mqtt,
AIO_USERNAME "/feeds/temperature");

Adafruit_MQTT_Publish humidityFeed = Adafruit_MQTT_Publish(&mqtt,
AIO_USERNAME "/feeds/humidity");



void setup() {

Serial.begin(115200);

delay(10);



  // Connect to Wi-Fi

  Serial.println(); Serial.println();

  Serial.print("Connecting to ");

  Serial.println(WIFI_SSID);



  WiFi.begin(WIFI_SSID, WIFI_PASS);

  while (WiFi.status() != WL_CONNECTED) {

    delay(500);

    Serial.print(".");

  }

  Serial.println();
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  Serial.println("WiFi connected");
  Serial.println("IP address: "); Serial.println(WiFi.localIP());

  // Connect to Adafruit IO
  connectToAdafruitIO();

  // Initialize the DHT sensor
  // dht11.begin();  // Not needed for DHT11 library
}

void loop() {
  // Ensure the connection to Adafruit IO is maintained
  if (mqtt.connected()) {
    mqtt.processPackets(10000);
    mqtt.ping();
  } else {
    connectToAdafruitIO();
  }

  int temperature = 0;
  int humidity = 0;

  // Read temperature and humidity from DHT11
  int result = dht11.readTemperatureHumidity(temperature, humidity);
```

```
  // Check if any reads failed
  if (result == 0) {
    // Publish the data
    Serial.print("Publishing temperature: "); Serial.println(temperature);
    if (!temperatureFeed.publish(temperature)) {
      Serial.println("Failed to publish temperature");
    }

    Serial.print("Publishing humidity: "); Serial.println(humidity);
    if (!humidityFeed.publish(humidity)) {
      Serial.println("Failed to publish humidity");
    }
  } else {
    Serial.print("Failed to read from DHT sensor! Error: ");
    Serial.println(DHT11::getErrorString(result));
  }

  // Wait for a few seconds before sending the next reading
  delay(2000);
}

void connectToAdafruitIO() {
  int8_t ret;
```

```
  // Attempt to connect to Adafruit IO
  Serial.print("Connecting to Adafruit IO... ");
  while ((ret = mqtt.connect()) != 0) {
    Serial.println(mqtt.connectErrorString(ret));
    Serial.println("Retrying in 5 seconds...");
    mqtt.disconnect();
    delay(1000);
  }
  Serial.println("Adafruit IO connected!");
}
```

7) Arduino IDE -> Tools -> Select correct Port (If port is not detected, download and install CH340 driver. Use this link CH340 Drivers for Windows, Mac and Linux (gogo.co.nz) or Google and download)

8) Arduino IDE -> Tools -> Manage Libraries… -> Search and Install ESP8266WiFi, Adafruit_MQTT and DHT11

9) Change WIFI_SSID and WIFI_PASS in your code to your Wi-Fi or mobile hotspot (Only Android works) ID and Password.

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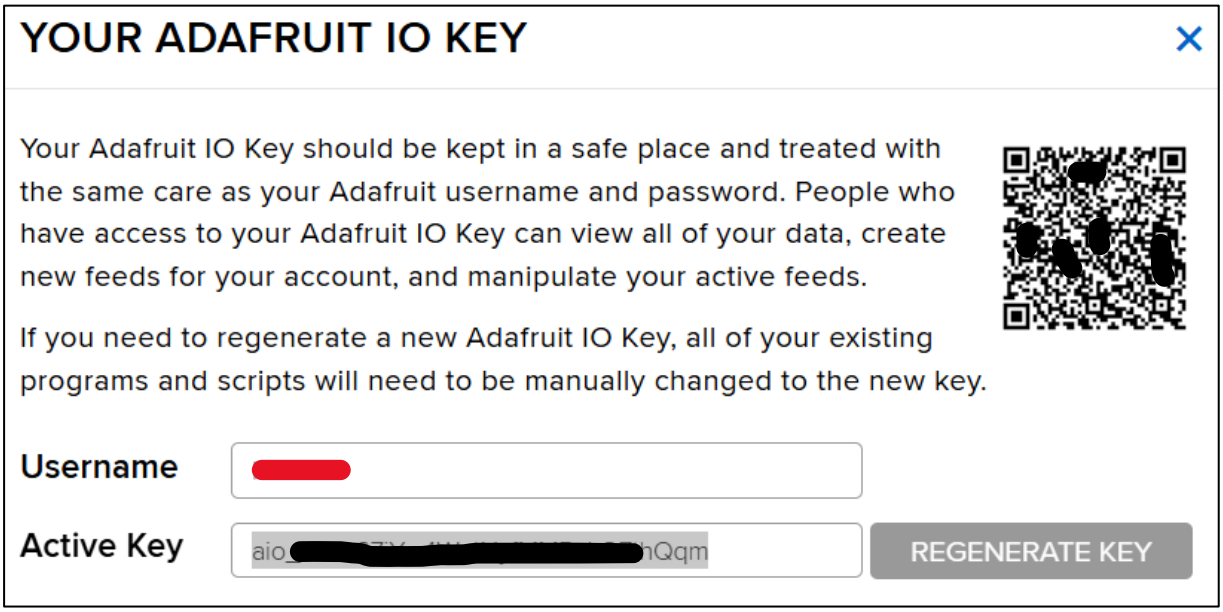
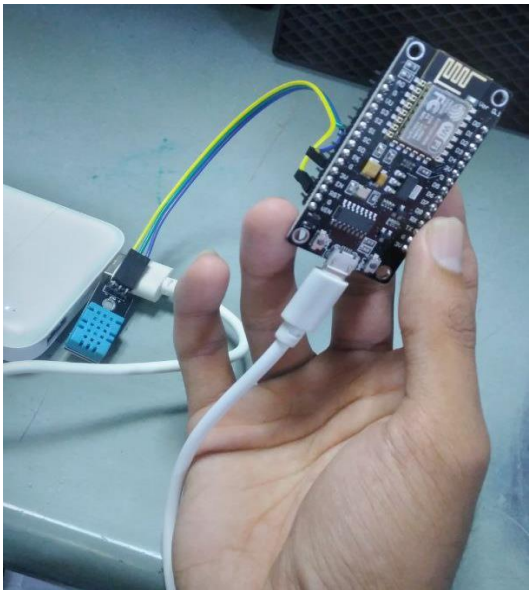
10) Goto Adafruit -> IO -> Click API Key


11) Change AIO_USERNAME and AIO_KEY in your code to your Adafruit Username and Active Key.

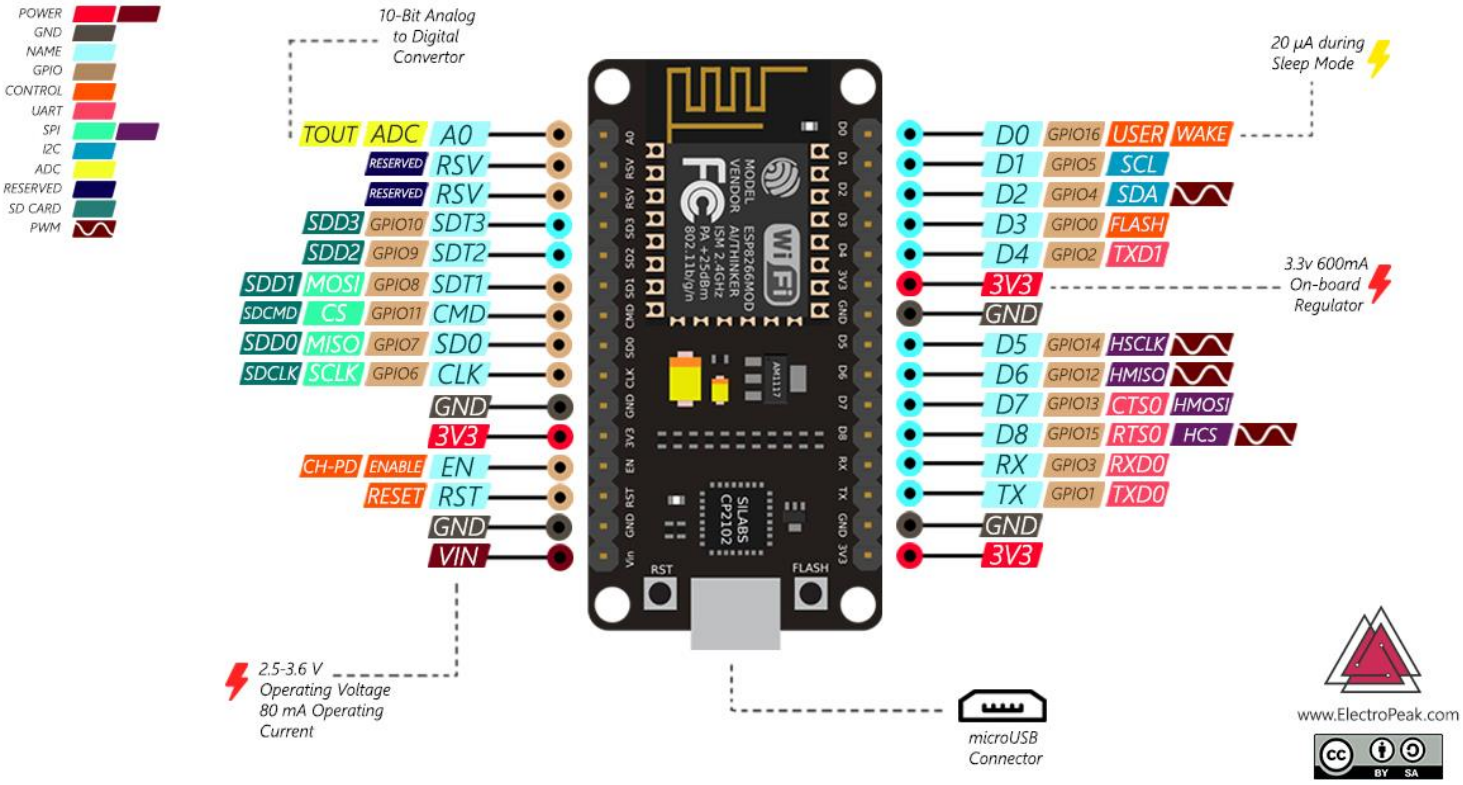


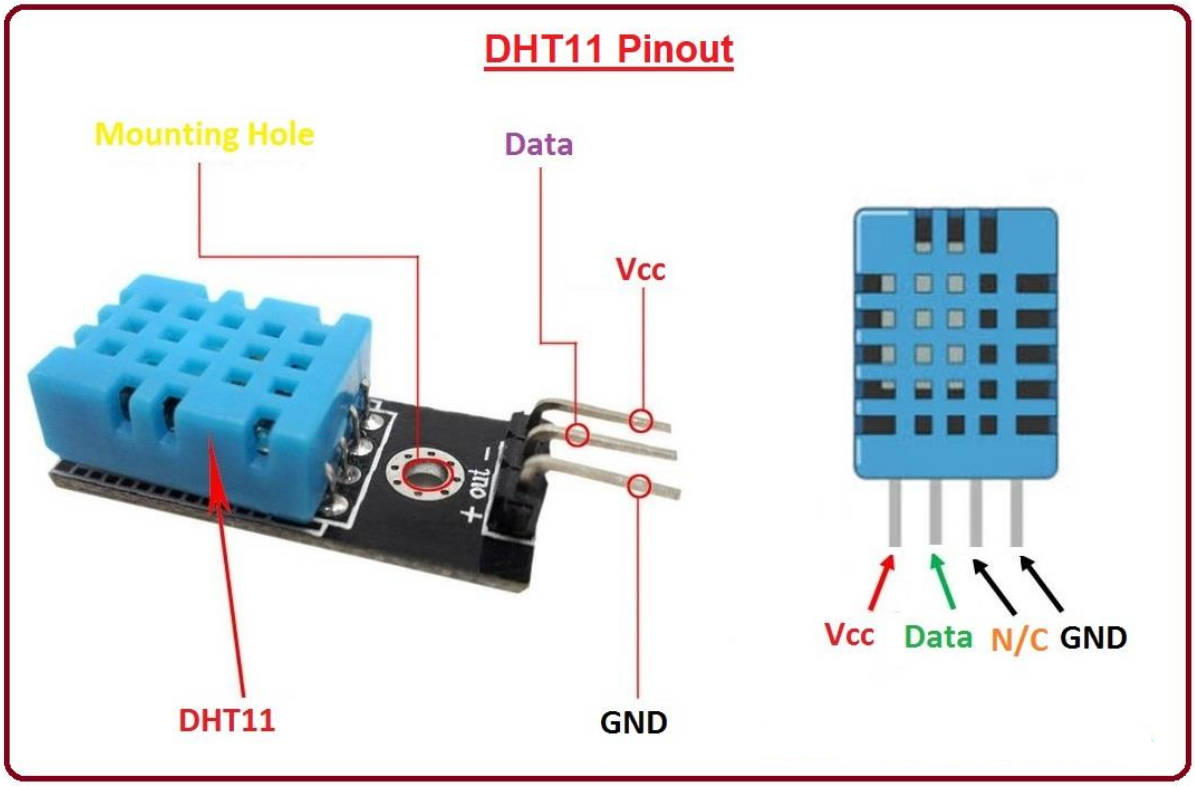

12) Tools -> Serial Monitor -> Change to 115200baud

13) Upload the code to NodeMCU and monitor the output from Serial Monitor and readings for temperature and humidity will be printed, and the data will be published to Adafruit IO.



- We can use NodeMCU without connecting to the computer.
- NodeMCU is connecting to a powerbank.




VCC (DHT11) → 3.3V (NodeMCU)

GND (DHT11) → GND (NodeMCU)

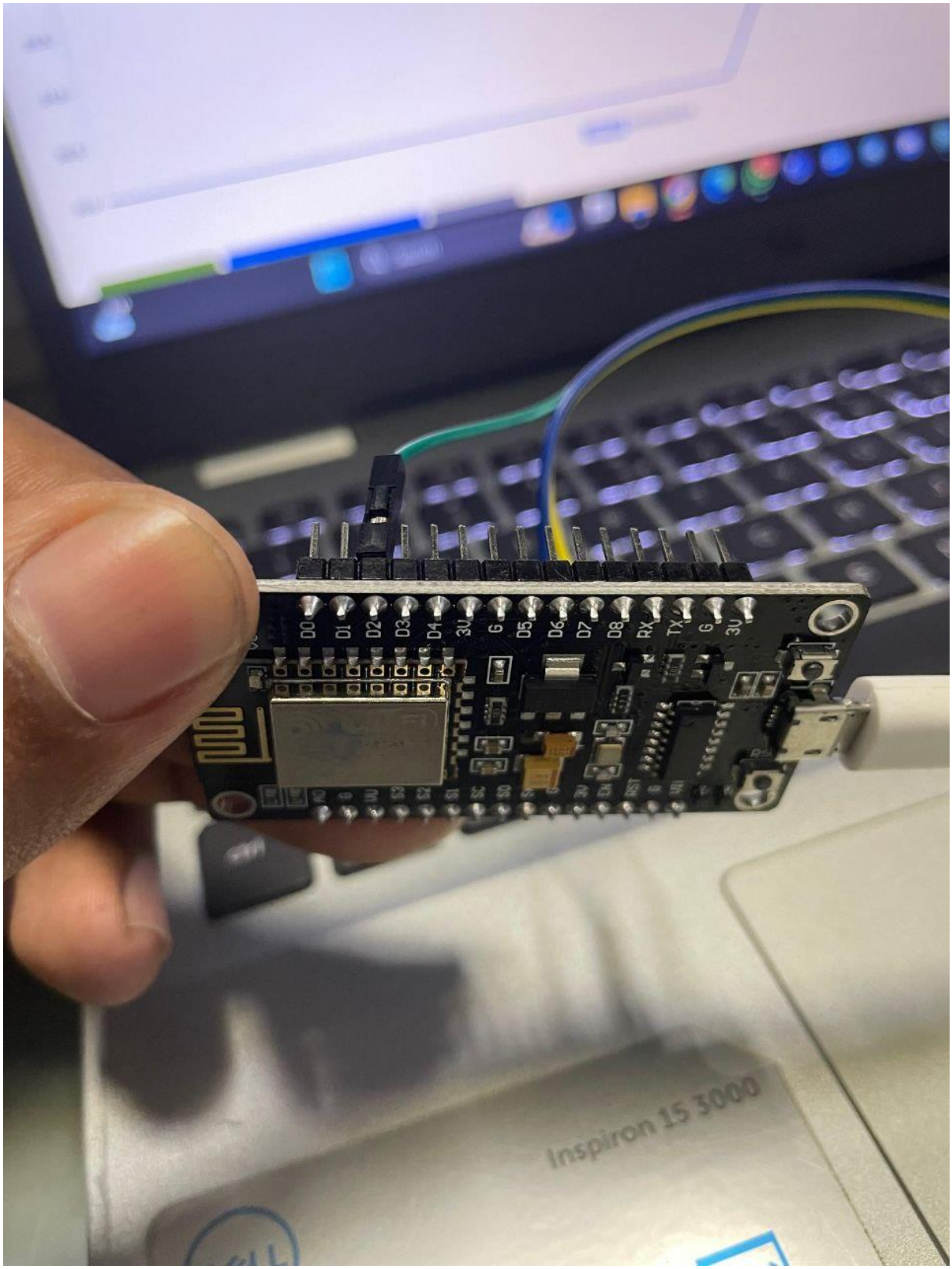
Data (DHT11) → D4 (NodeMCU GPIO Pin 4)

**DHT11 -> NodeMCU**

\+ -> 3V

\- -> G

Out -> D2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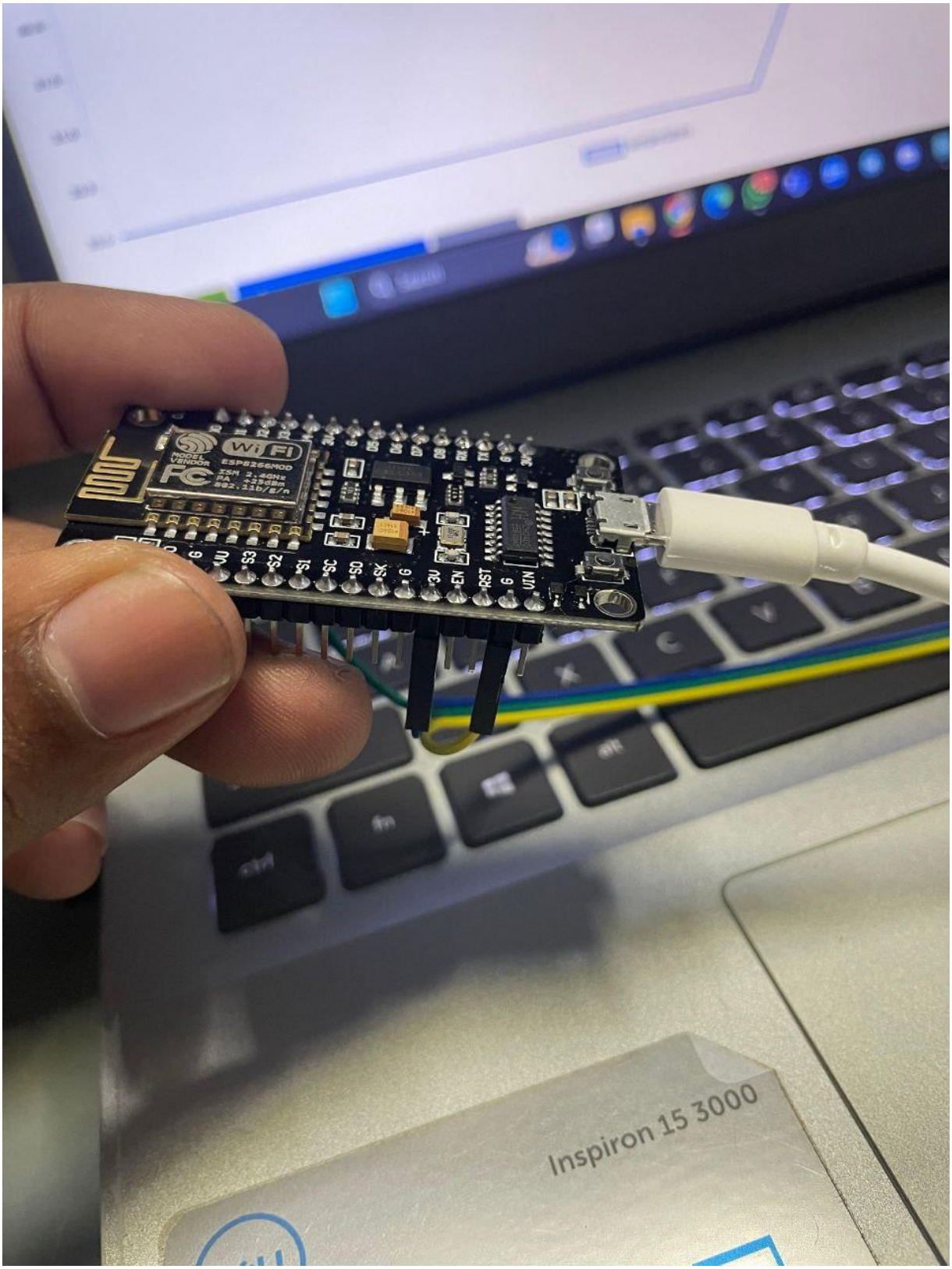
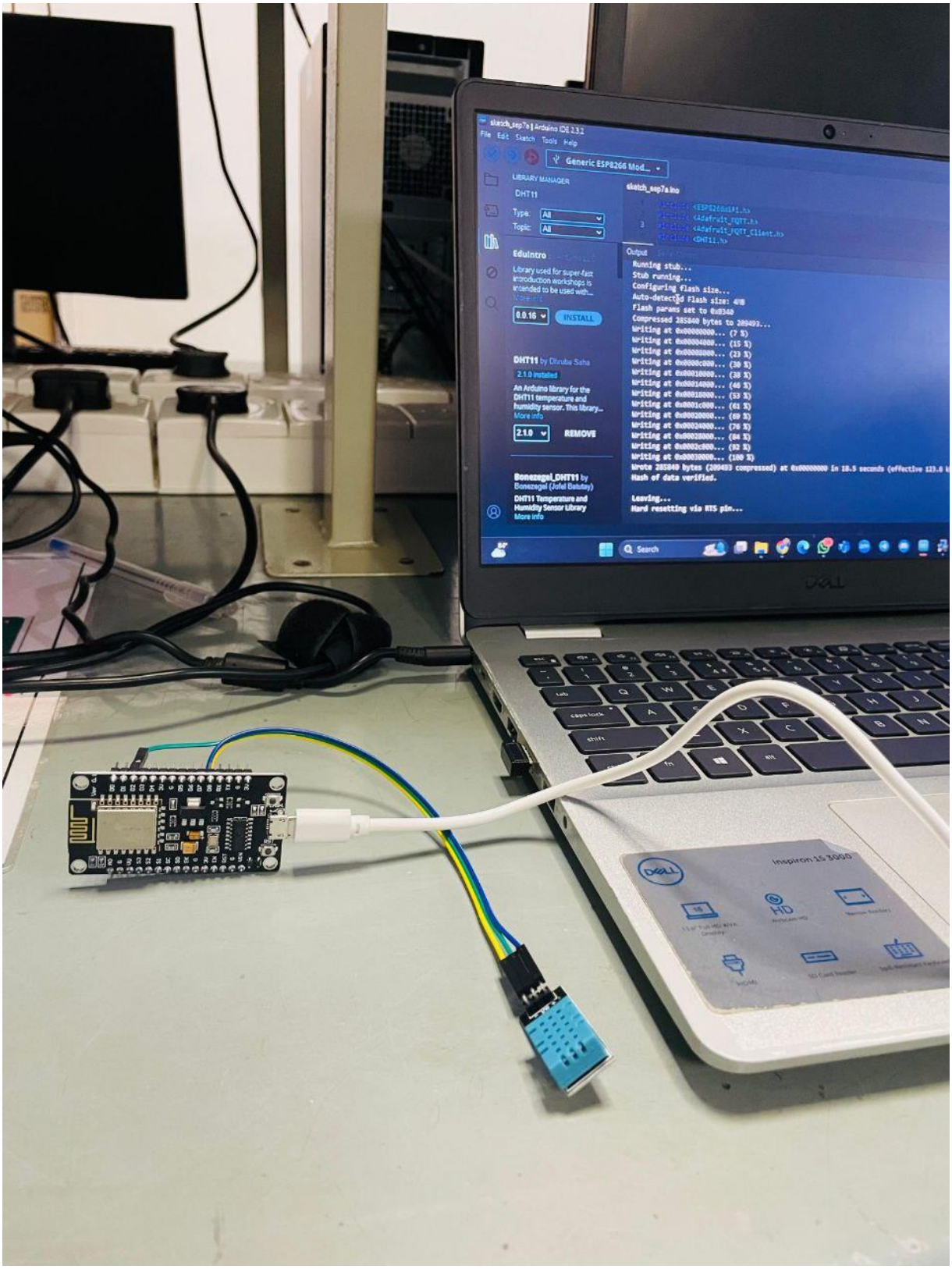

WiFi
ESP8266MOD
Inspiron 15 3000


Generic ESP8266 Mod...
LIBRARY MANAGER
DHT11
Type: All
Topic: All
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INSTALL
DHT11 by Dhruba Saha
2.1.0 installed
REMOVE
Bonezegal_DHT11 by Bonezegal (Jofel Batutay)
DHT11 Temperature and Humidity Sensor library
More info
sketch_sep7a.ino
Output
Running stub...
Stub running...
Configuring flash size...
Flash params set to 0x0340
Hash of data verified.
Leaving...
Hard resetting via RTS pin...
Search
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