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SENSORIZAÇÃO E AMBIENTE

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Soft/Physical Sensors

Agenda

- Soft Sensors
  - Mobile
- Physical Sensors
  - Arduino-type Boards
- Hands On

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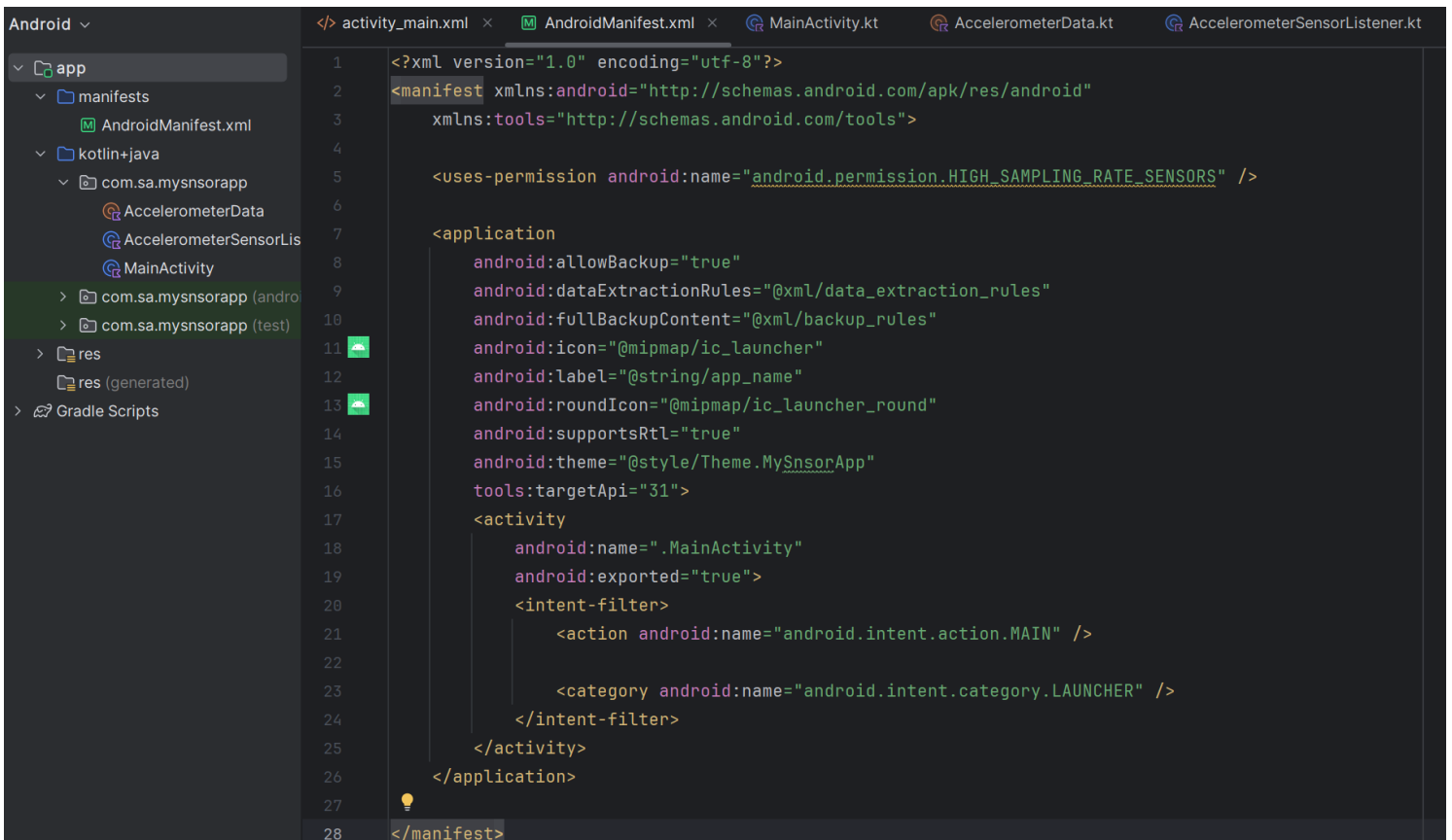
Soft Sensors

Mobile

Android App for Sensors

- Problems with AndroidStudio emulators? Edit user's permissions in `AndroidManifest.xml` with

```
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.HIGH_SAMPLING_RATE_SENSORS"/>
```



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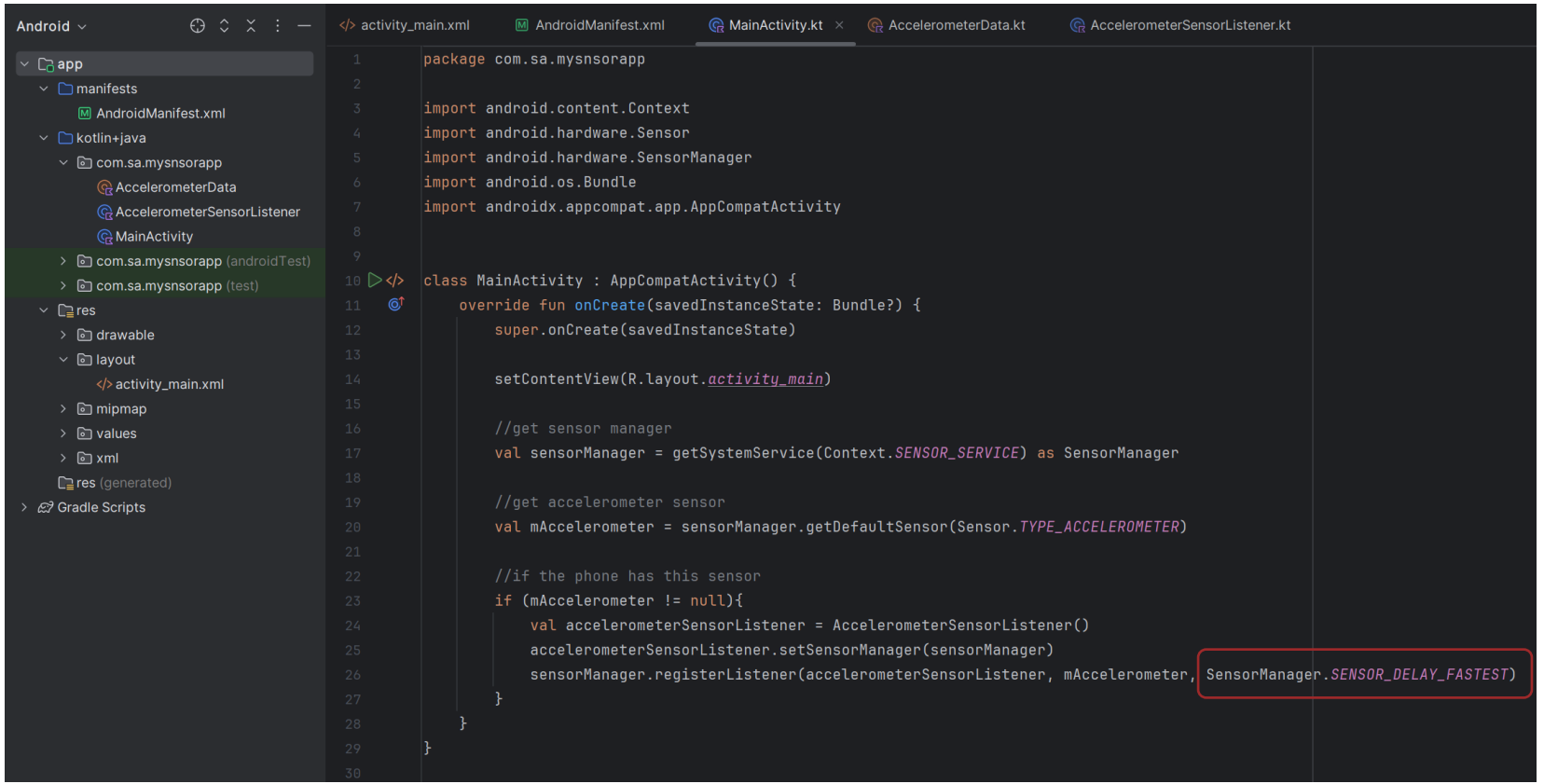
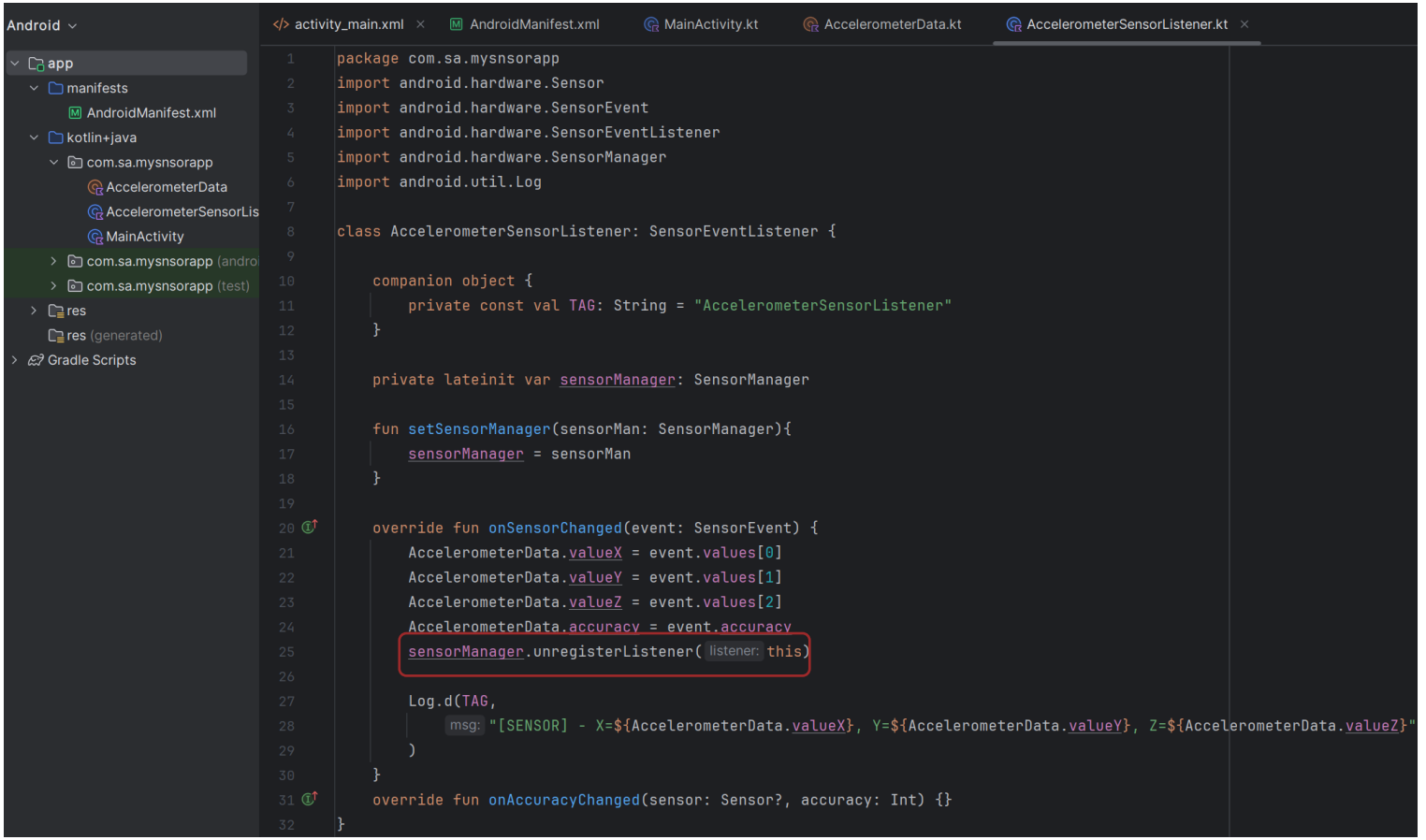
Point I - Sampling Rate

- **SensorManager** lets you access the device's sensors. The `SENSOR_DELAY_FASTEST` tells the app to get sensor data as fast as possible - you need user permission to use such sampling rate. Change to `SENSOR_DELAY_NORMAL`, for example.



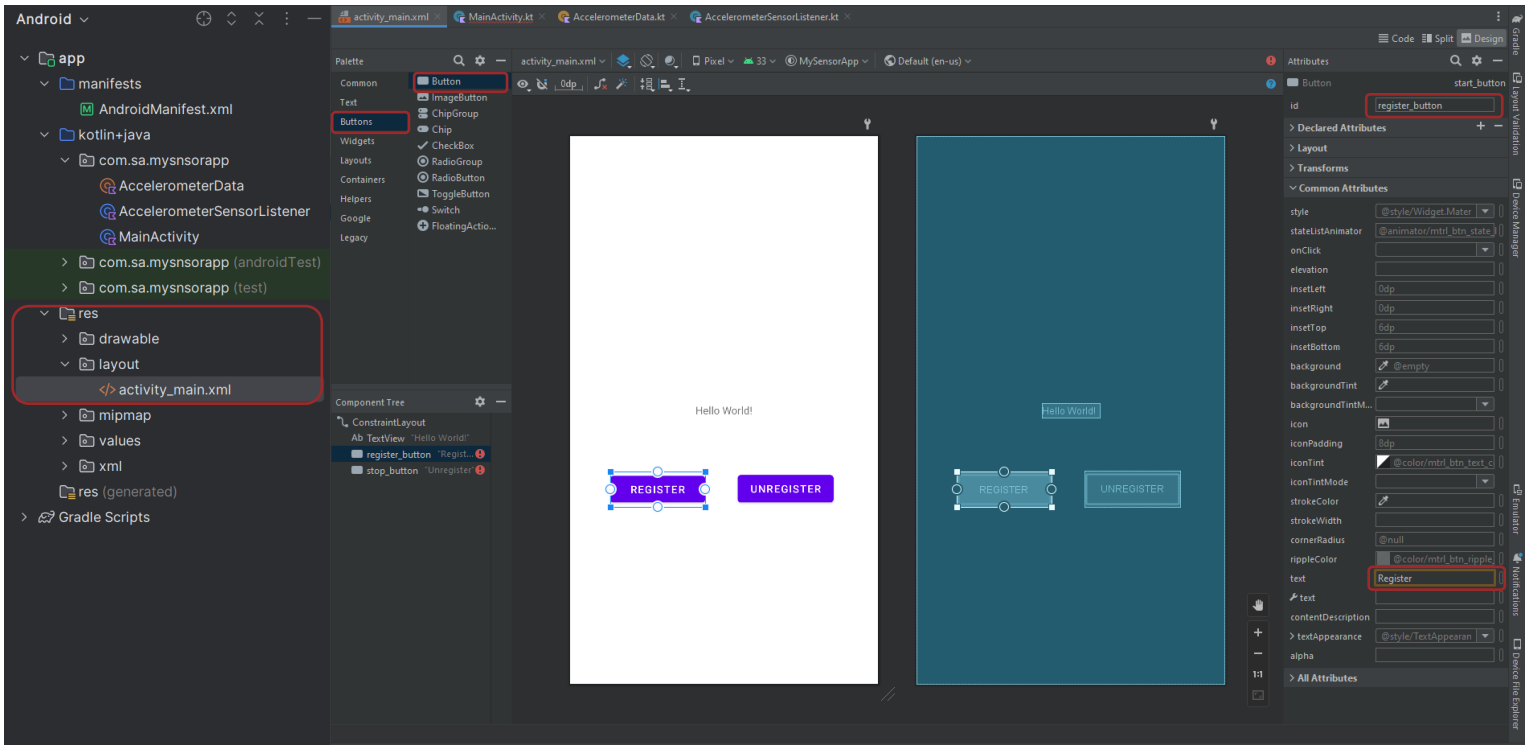
Point II - Single sample collection

- The app will only collect **one single sample** from the accelerometer sensor. Why? Because we are unregistering the listener as soon as a sample is obtained.



Point III - Enabling/Disabling Sensors

- To solve this, create **two new buttons** in your **main activity**: one to **register** and another to **unregister** the listener.



Point III - Enabling/Disabling Sensors

- In your **main activity**, respond to click events. Something such as:

```
//…

    // inside the onCreate method
    findViewById<Button>(R.id.register_button).setOnClickListener {
        Log.d("BUTTON", "User clicked the register button.")
        //register the listener
        //…
    }
    findViewById<Button>(R.id.unregister_button).setOnClickListener {
        Log.d("BUTTON", "User clicked the unregister button.")
        //unregister the listener
        //…
    }

//…
```

https://developer.android.com/develop/ui/views/components/button

Point III - Enabling/Disabling Sensors

```
// inside the onCreate method
    findViewById<Button>(R.id.register_button).setOnClickListener {
        // get the sensor manager
        sensorManager = getSystemService(Context.SENSOR_SERVICE) as SensorManager
        // get the accelerometer sensor
        val mAccelerometer = sensorManager.getDefaultSensor(Sensor.TYPE_ACCELEROMETER)
        // if the smartphone has this sensor
        if (mAccelerometer != null){
            accelerometerSensorListener = AccelerometerSensorListener()
            accelerometerSensorListener.setSensorManager(sensorManager)
            sensorManager.registerListener(AccelerometerSensorListener, mAccelerometer,
                                                                    SensorManager.SENSOR_DELAY_NORMAL)
            }
    }
    findViewById<Button>(R.id.unregister_button).setOnClickListener {
        sensorManager.unregisterListener(accelerometerSensorListener)
    }
```

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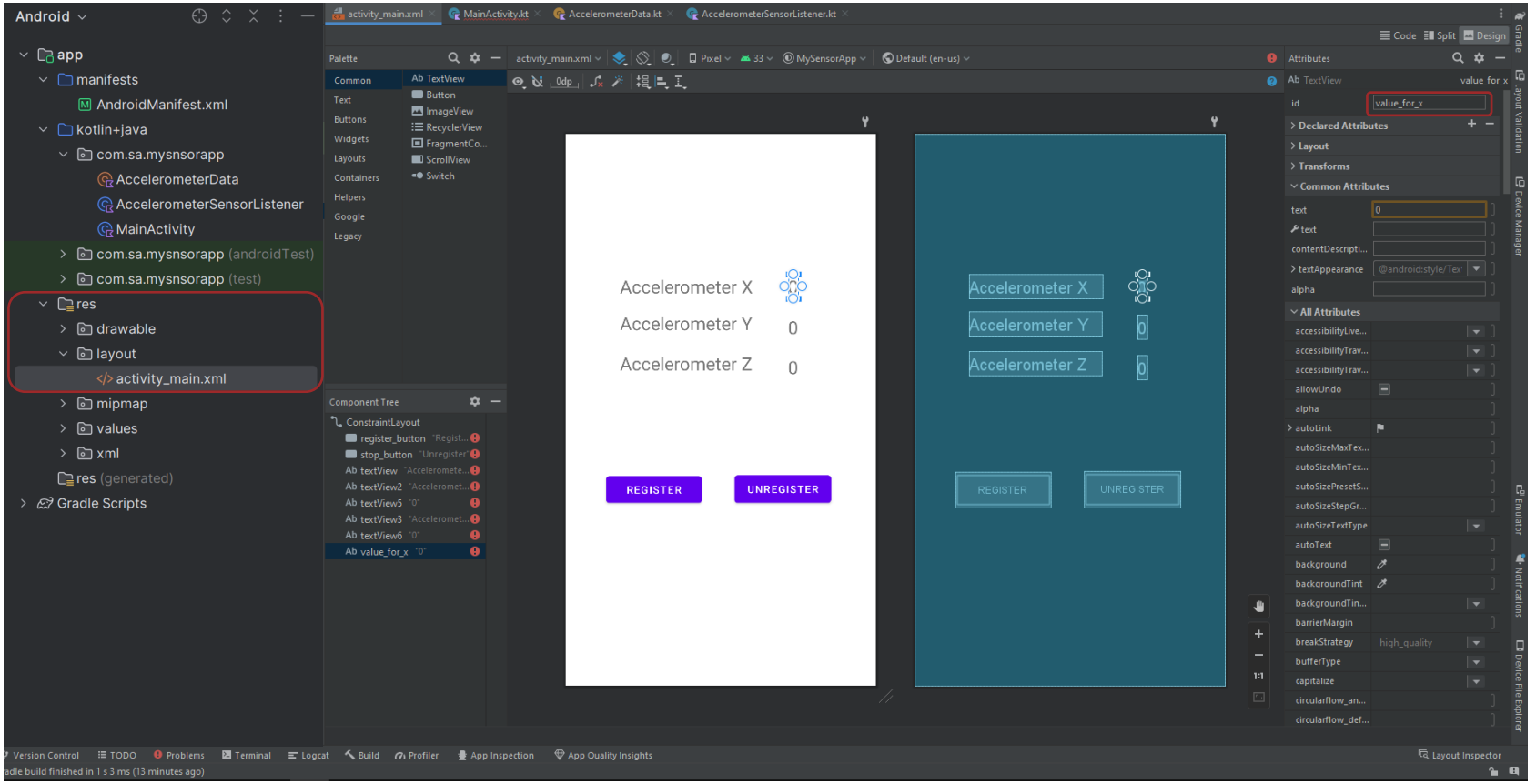
Point IV - LiveData/ViewModel

- How to **see the values of the accelerometer** in our main activity? Add some **TextViews** and update its value whenever new data is collected.



Point IV - LiveData/ViewModel

- Then use **LiveData** to listen to updates to the UI. First our `ViewModel` class:

```
class AccelerometerViewModel: ViewModel() {

    // Create a LiveData object with a AccelerometerData object
    val currentAccelerometerData: MutableLiveData<AccelerometerData> by lazy {
        MutableLiveData<AccelerometerData>()
    }

}
```

https://developer.android.com/topic/libraries/architecture/livedata

Point IV - LiveData/ViewModel

- Then change the value of our **LiveData** (the var `currentAccelerometerData`) every time there is new data obtained from the sensor. Hence, in our `AccelerometerSensorListener` class, we must receive our `ViewModel` and update its value `onSensorChanged`. As such:

```
class AccelerometerSensorListener: SensorEventListener {

    companion object {
        private const val TAG: String = "AccelerometerSensorListener"
    }

    private lateinit var sensorManager: SensorManager
    private lateinit var ourAccelerometerViewModel: AccelerometerViewModel

    fun setSensorManager(sensorMan: SensorManager, aViewModel: AccelerometerViewModel) {
        sensorManager = sensorMan
        ourAccelerometerViewModel = aViewModel
    }
    //...
}
```

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```
class AccelerometerSensorListener: SensorEventListener {

    //...
    override fun onSensorChanged(event: SensorEvent) {
        AccelerometerData.valueX = event.values[0]
        AccelerometerData.valueY = event.values[1]
        AccelerometerData.valueZ = event.values[2]
        AccelerometerData.accuracy = event.accuracy
        ourAccelerometerViewModel.currentAccelerometerData.value = AccelerometerData
    }

    override fun onAccuracyChanged(sensor: Sensor?, accuracy: Int) {}

}
```

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Point IV - LiveData/ViewModel

- Then use **LiveData** to listen to updates to the UI. Then, look to our **LiveData**.

```
// in build.gradle.kts file, go to the dependencies (at the bottom) and add the following lib:
implementation("androidx.fragment:fragment-ktx:1.8.6")


// in MainActivity.kt
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {

    private val aViewModel: AccelerometerViewModel by viewModels()
    //…
        // … then, inside the onCreate method
        // create the observer which updates the UI.
        val accelerometerObserver = Observer<AccelerometerData> { accSample ->
            findViewById<TextView>(R.id.textview_x).text = accSample.valueX.toString()
            findViewById<TextView>(R.id.textview_y).text = accSample.valueY.toString()
            findViewById<TextView>(R.id.textview_z).text = accSample.valueZ.toString()
        }
        // observe the LiveData, passing in this activity as the LifecycleOwner and the observer
        aViewModel.currentAccelerometerData.observe(this, accelerometerObserver)
    }
}
```

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Physical Sensors

Arduino-type Boards

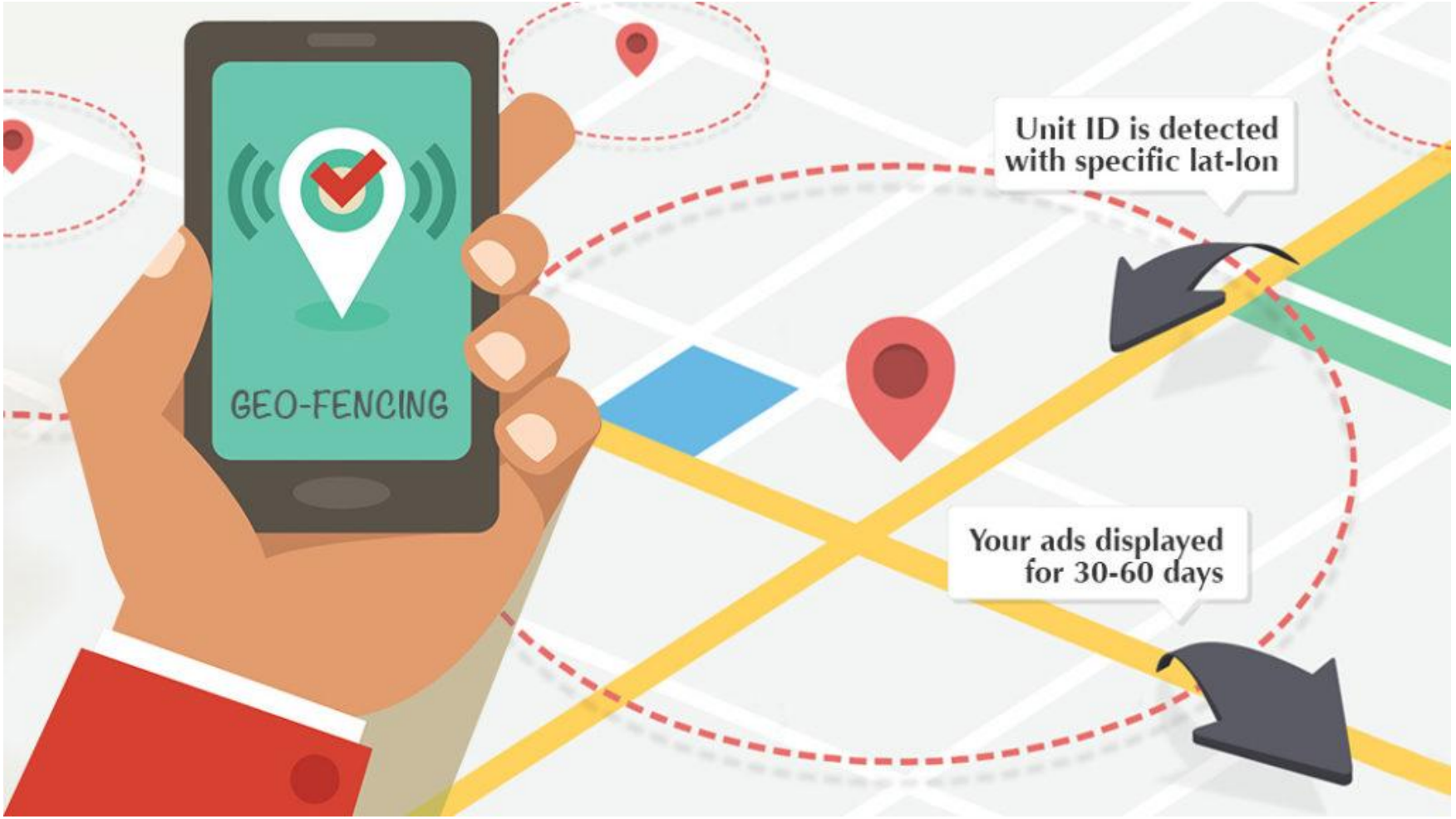
Beacons

- It is a **Bluetooth-based sensor** with low-cost and low-power transmitters (a Bluetooth Smart/LE signal), which **notify Bluetooth devices** of one's presence.

- This signal makes it **possible to identify the beacon** as well as other telemetry information about the receiving device. It has **no user interface or GPS** capabilities.

- The beacon works as such:
  - periodically wakes up;
  - transmits a Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) signal;
  - returns to a low-power state.

Beacon: Case Studies



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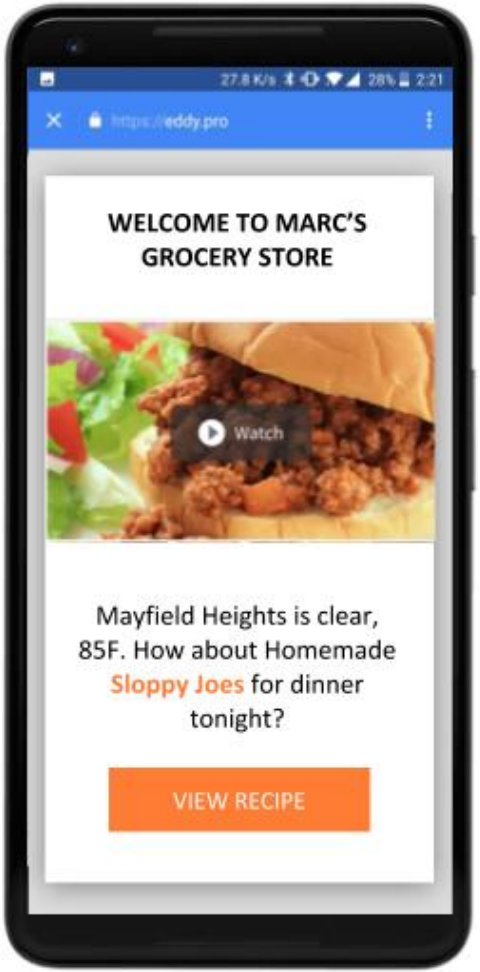

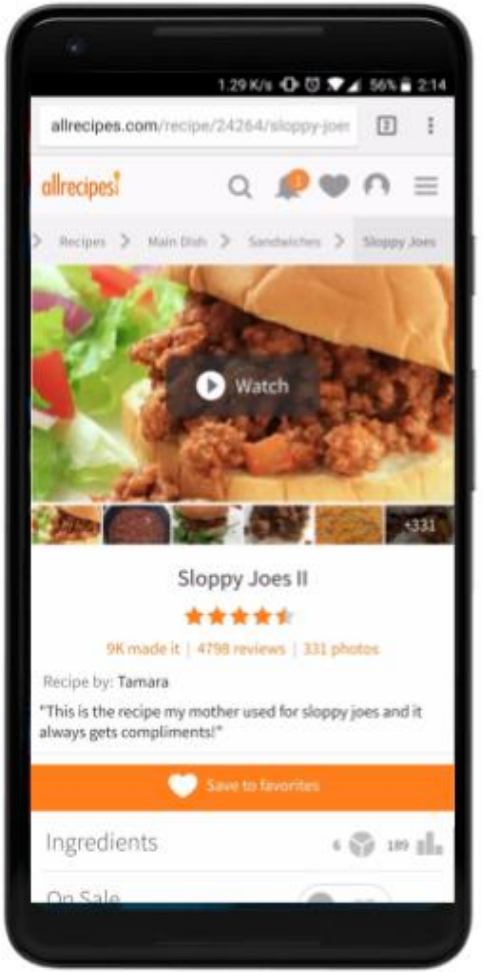

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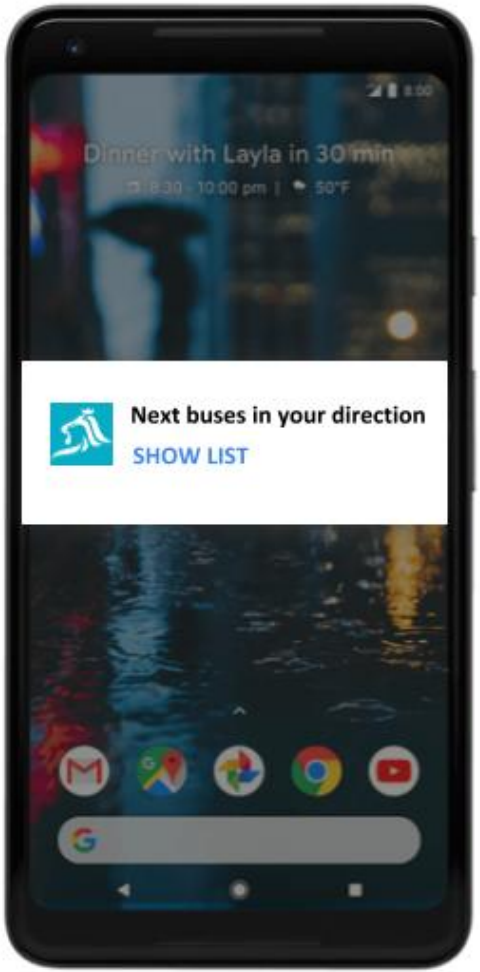

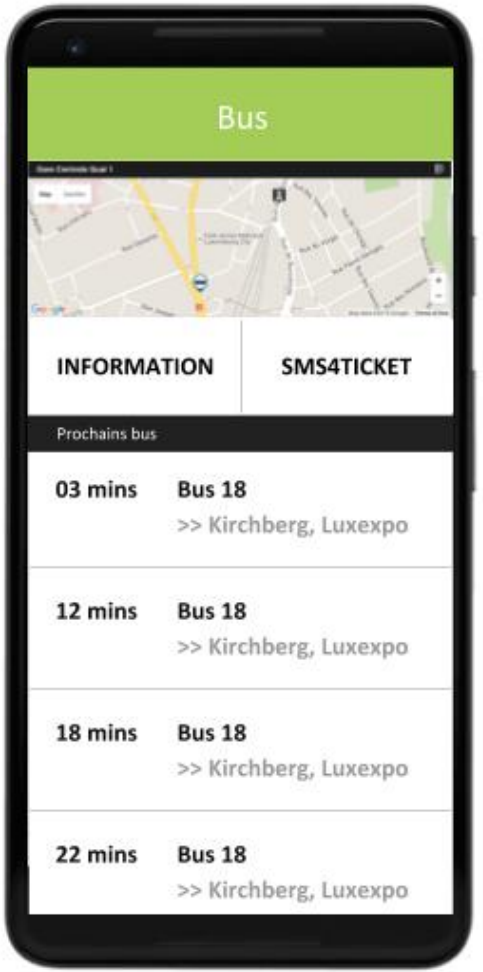

ESP8266

- It is a **low-power Arduino type board** suitable for IoT that can facilitate the **bridge towards Smart Cities**, removing the need for wired communication and processing.

- It has a very interesting set of features:
  - Wi-Fi capability (2.4 GHz band)
  - 4 MB of flash memory
  - a micro-USB interface
  - a built-in antenna
  - open-source
  - small dimensions (4.8x2.4x0.5cm)
  - low weight (109g)
  - Ultra-Low Power Consumption

ESP32

- Similar to ESP8266 but with additional features:
  - BLE connectivity (Hybrid Wi-Fi & Bluetooth Chip)
  - Dual-core

- However, the availability (and documentation) of libraries for the ESP32 is **significantly lower** when compared to the ESP8266.

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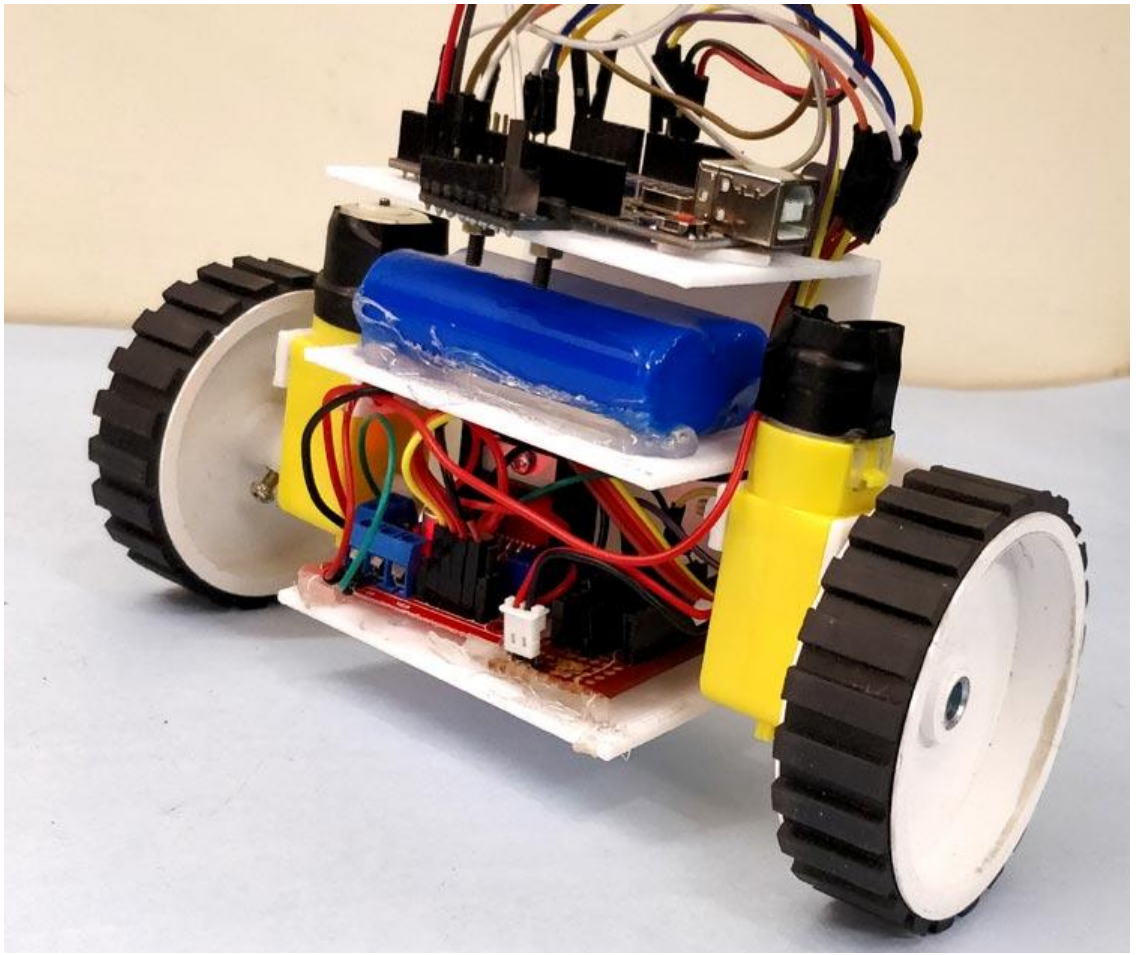

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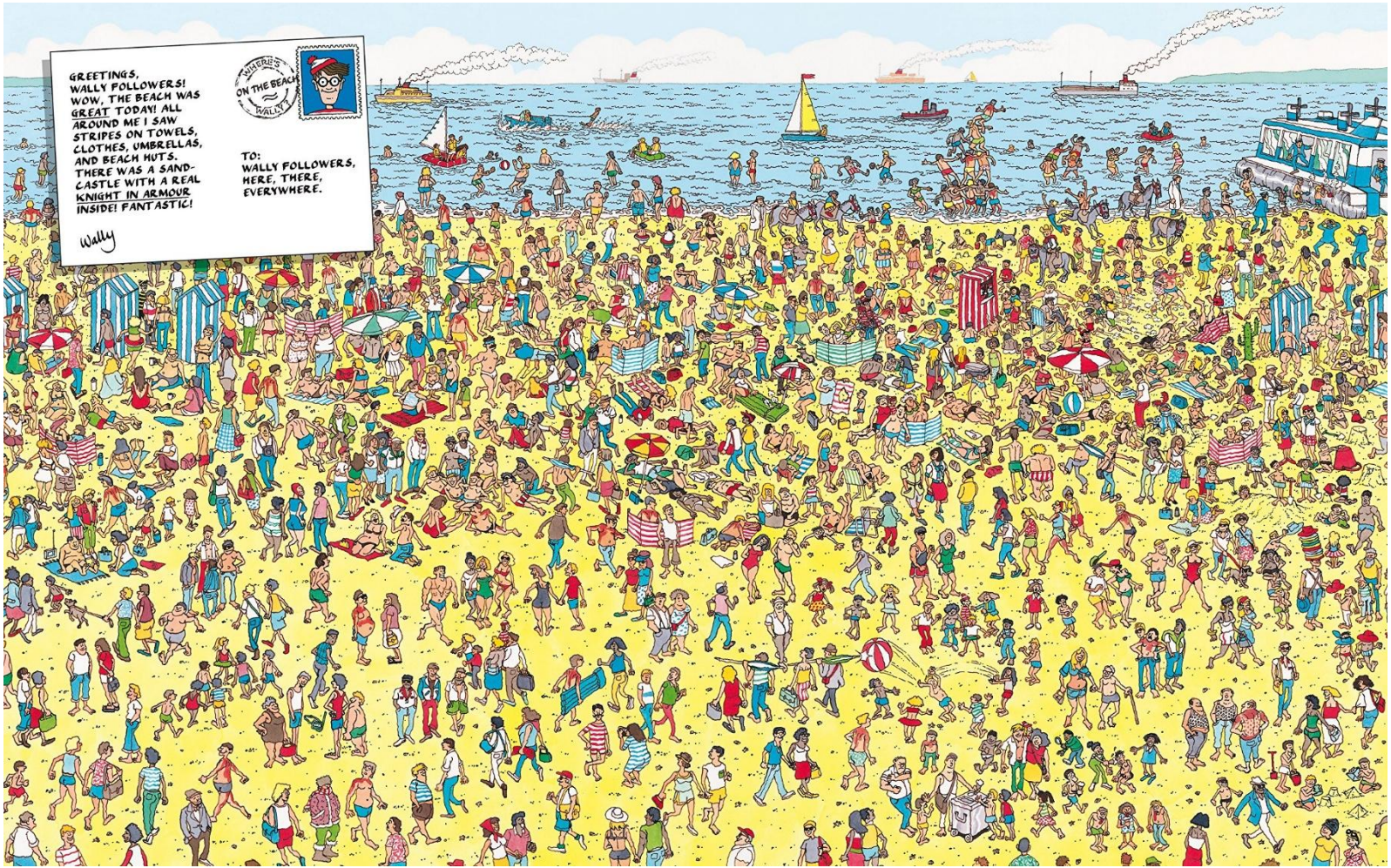

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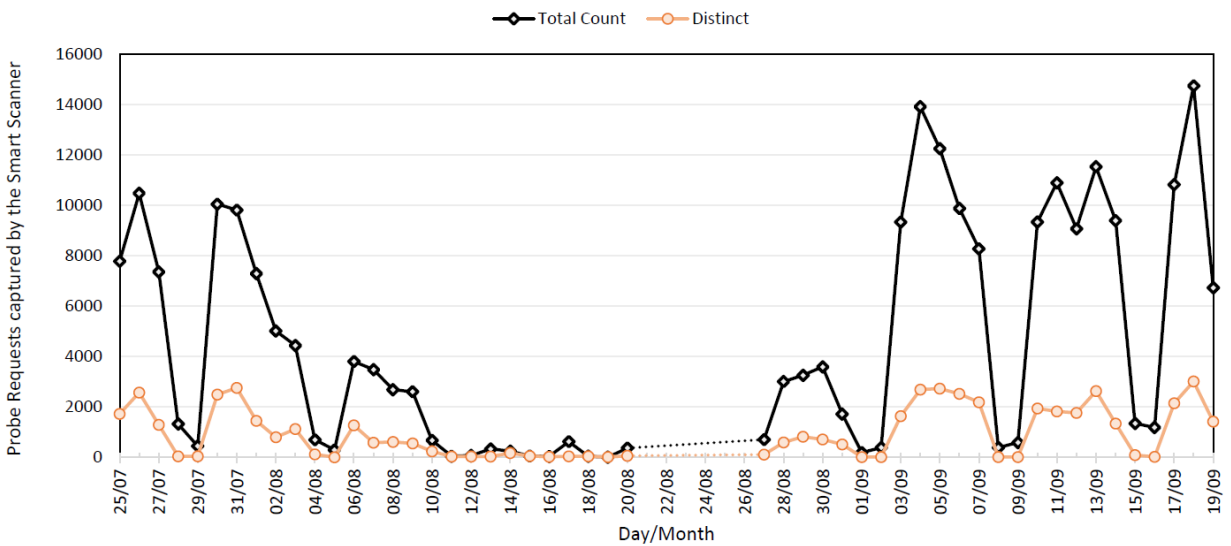
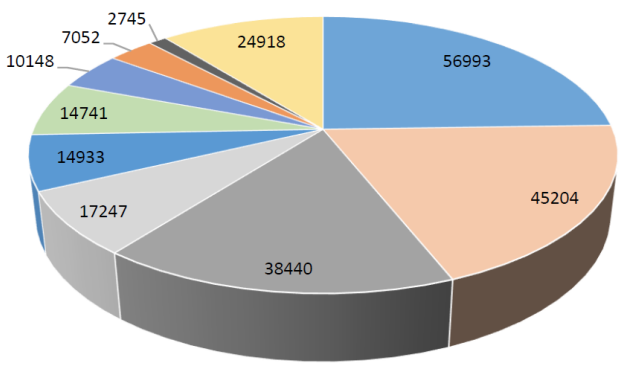
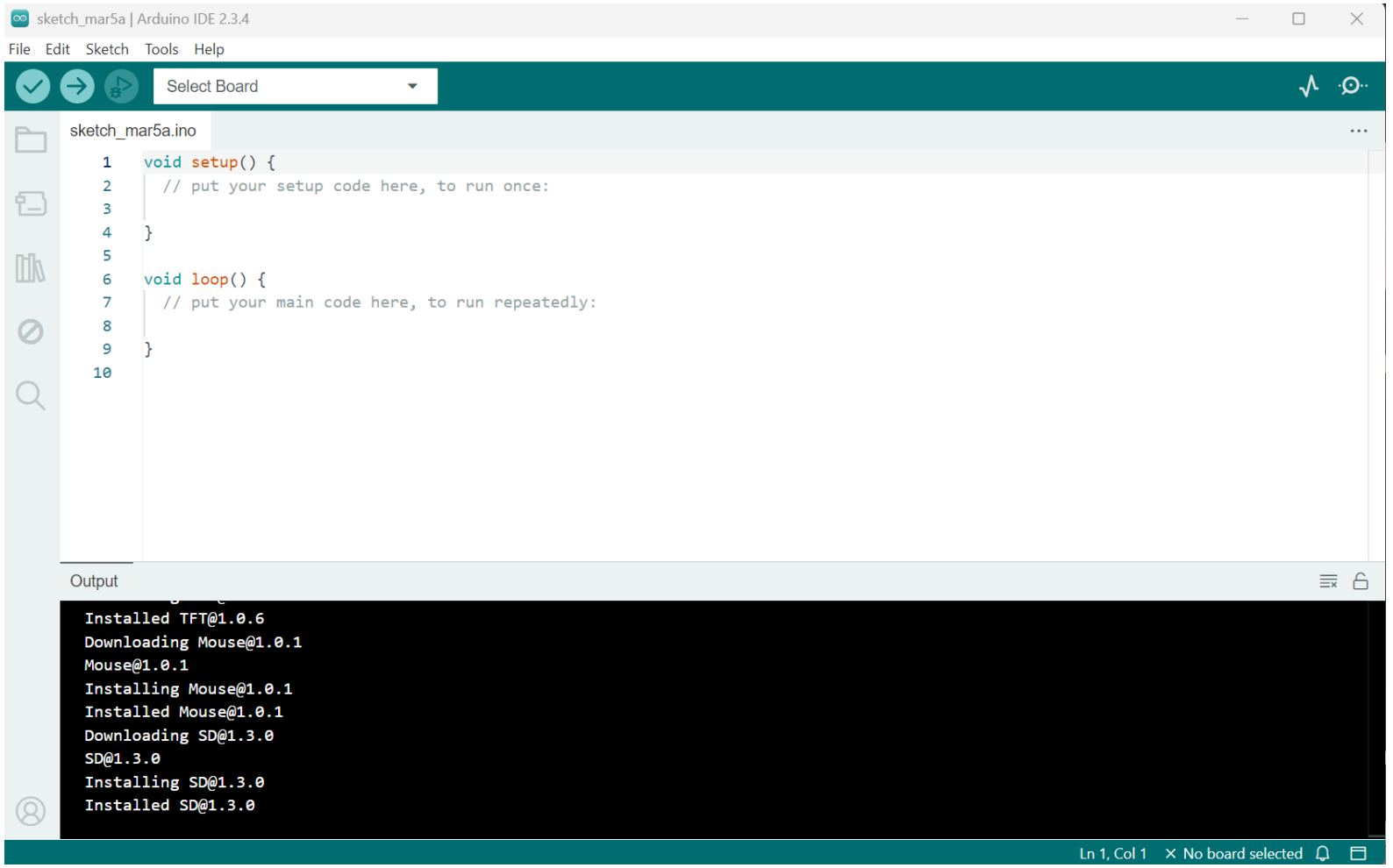




Arduino(-type) Boards: Case Studies

- But also, at...
  - Concerts
  - Races
  - Stores
  - Libraries
  - Football Games
  - Etc.

Arduino IDE: How To



https://www.arduino.cc/en/software

Arduino IDE: How To

- Makes it very easy to develop code and upload it to a board;

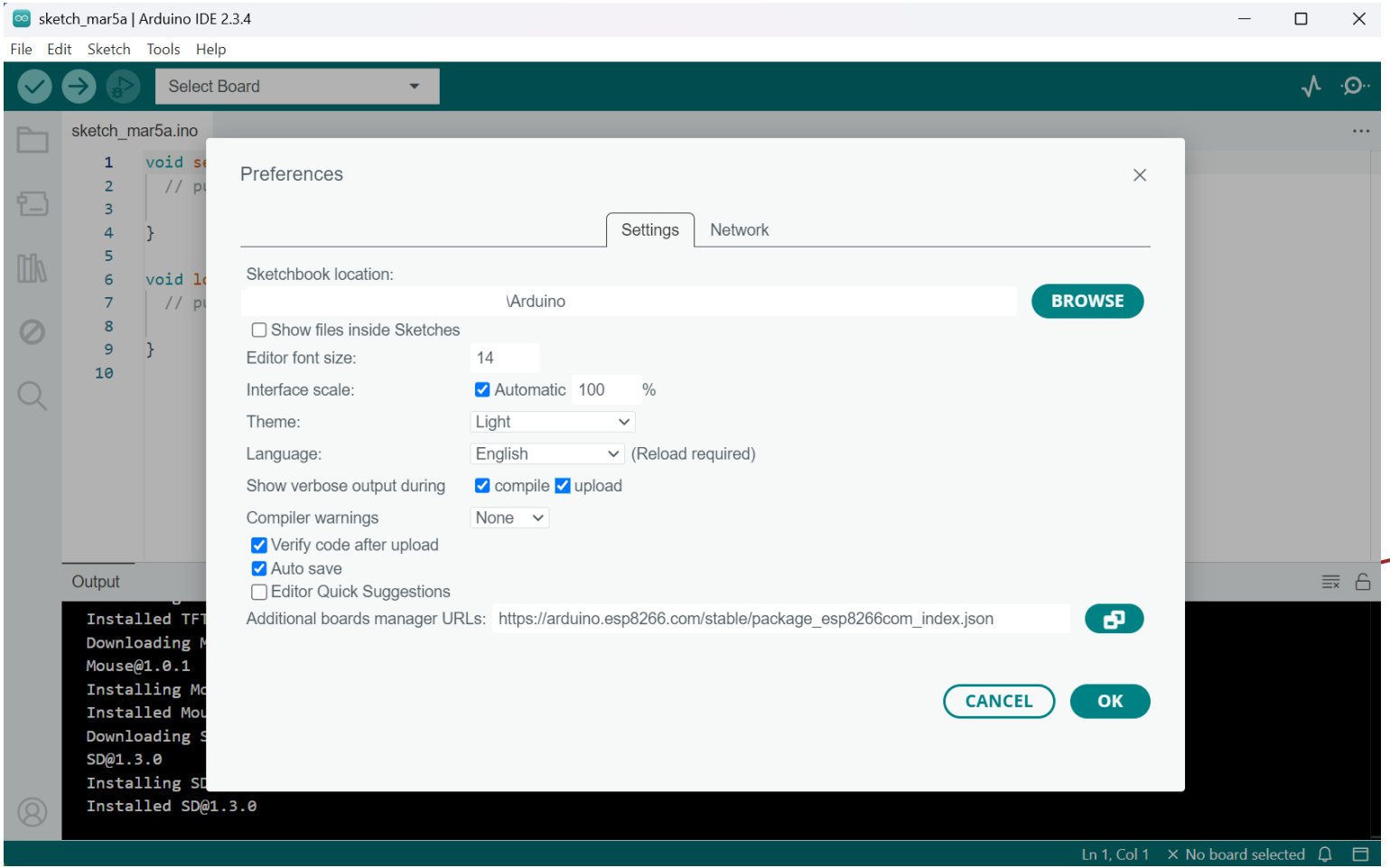
- Provides basic **one-click mechanisms** to compile and **upload sketches**:
  - **Sketch** is the name given to a program developed with this IDE (written in C/C++)

- The nature of the Arduino project facilitated the release of many open-source libraries;

- Programming in the Arduino IDE requires the developer to define, at least, two functions:
  - `setup()` - called once when a sketch starts after powering up or resetting, being used to initialize variables, input and output pin modes, and other libraries required by the sketch;
  - `loop()` - repeatedly executed in the main program until the board is powered off or reset.

Arduino IDE: How To

- Install the board (ESP8266) in Arduino IDE:



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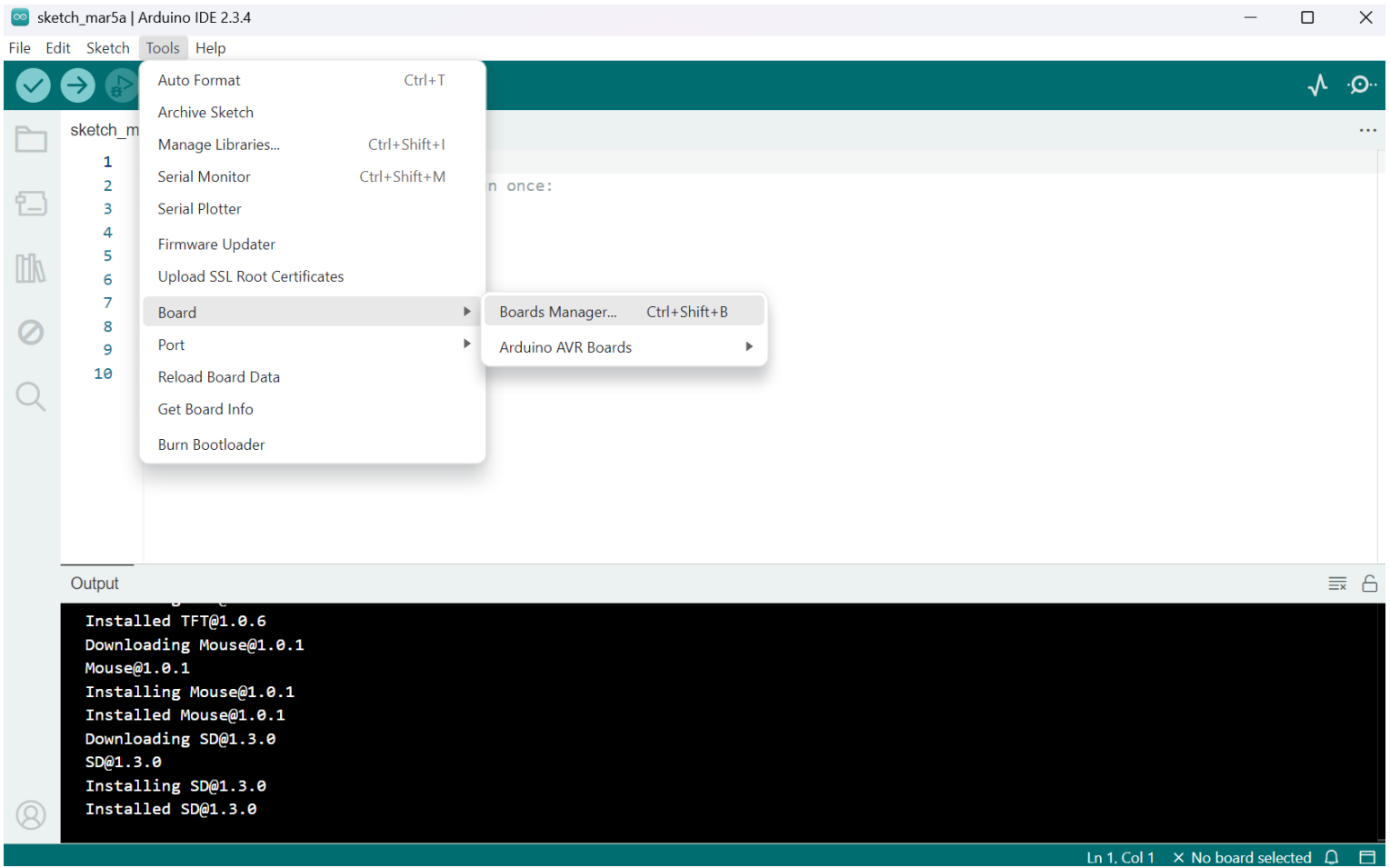

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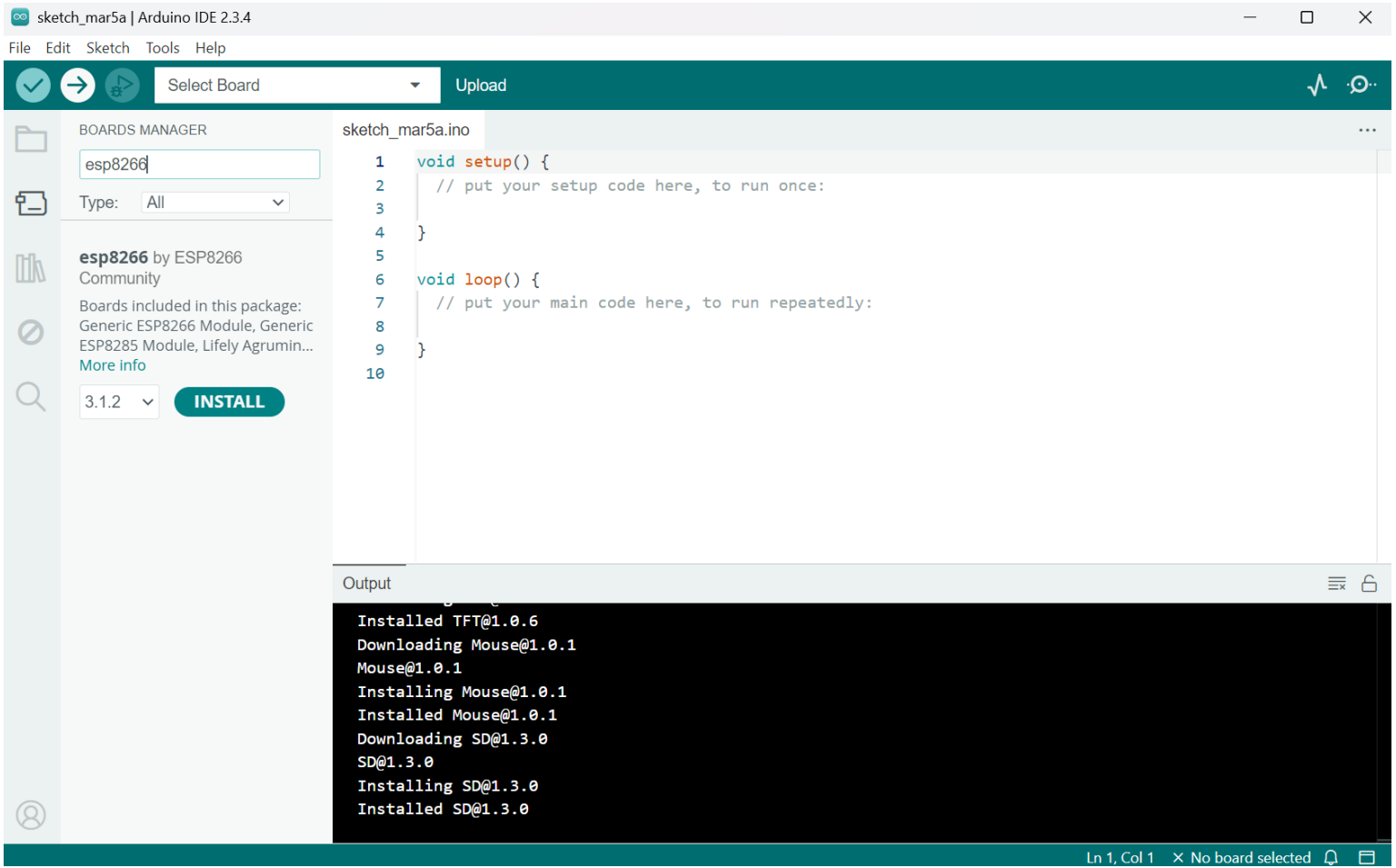

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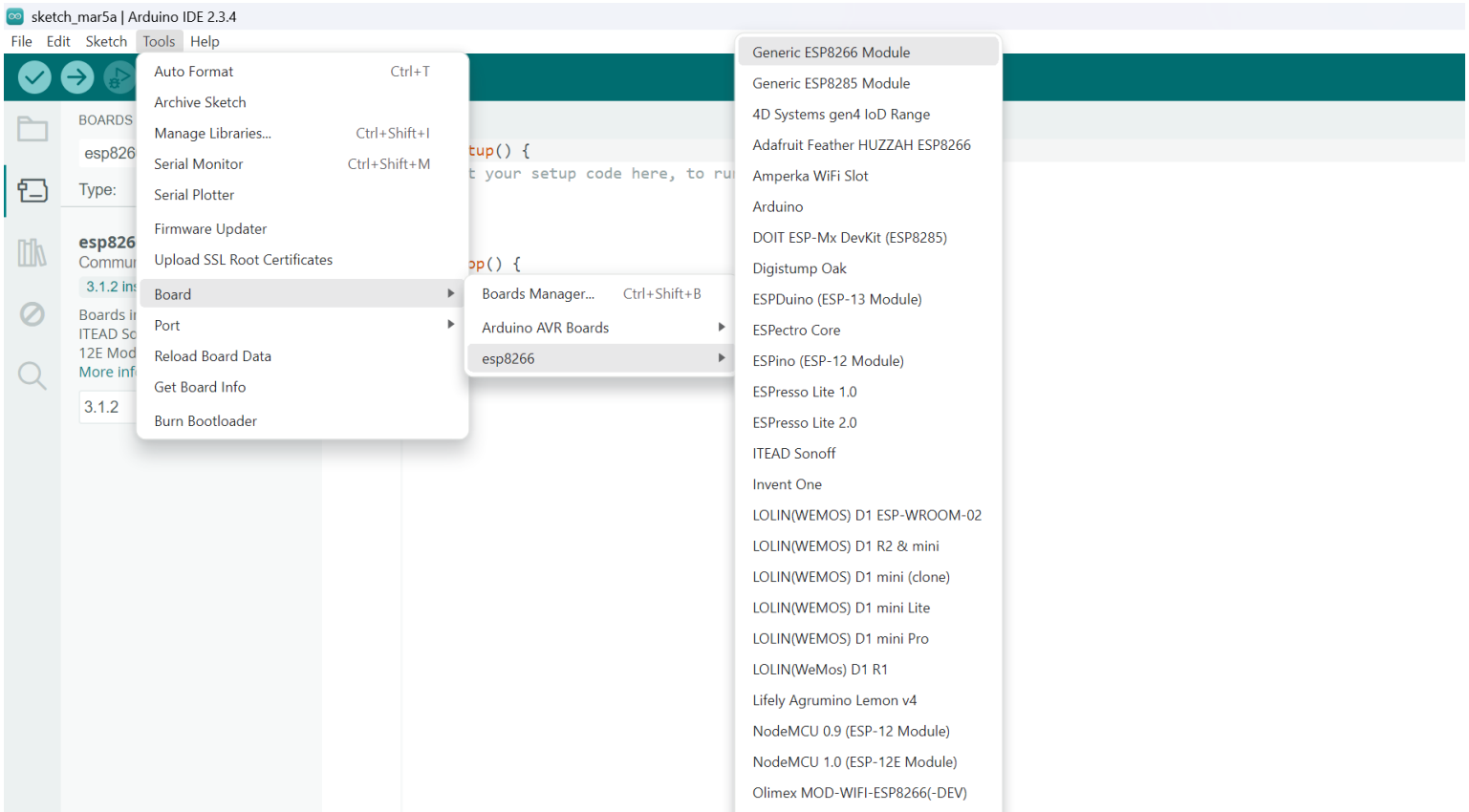
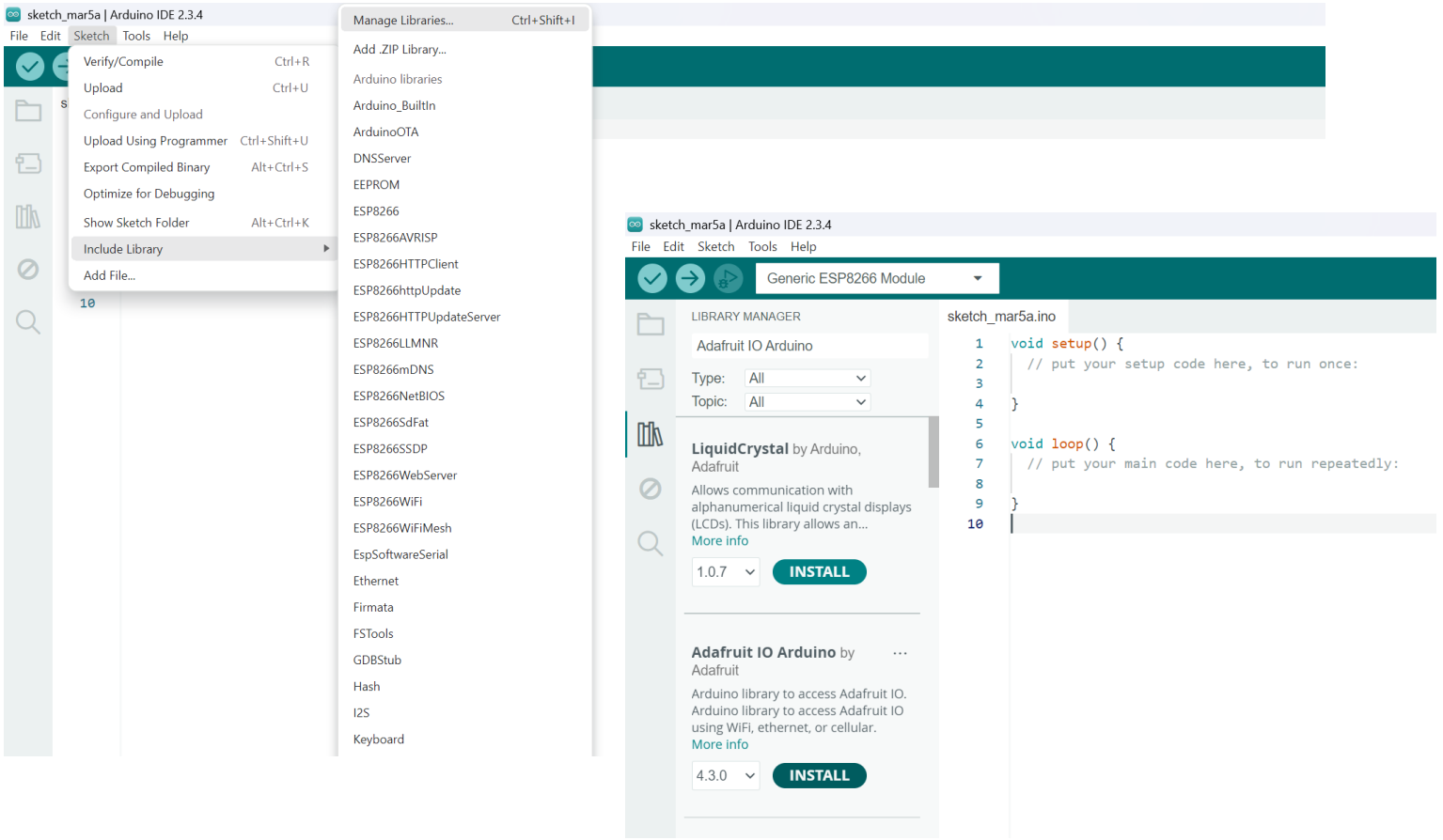


Arduino IDE: How To

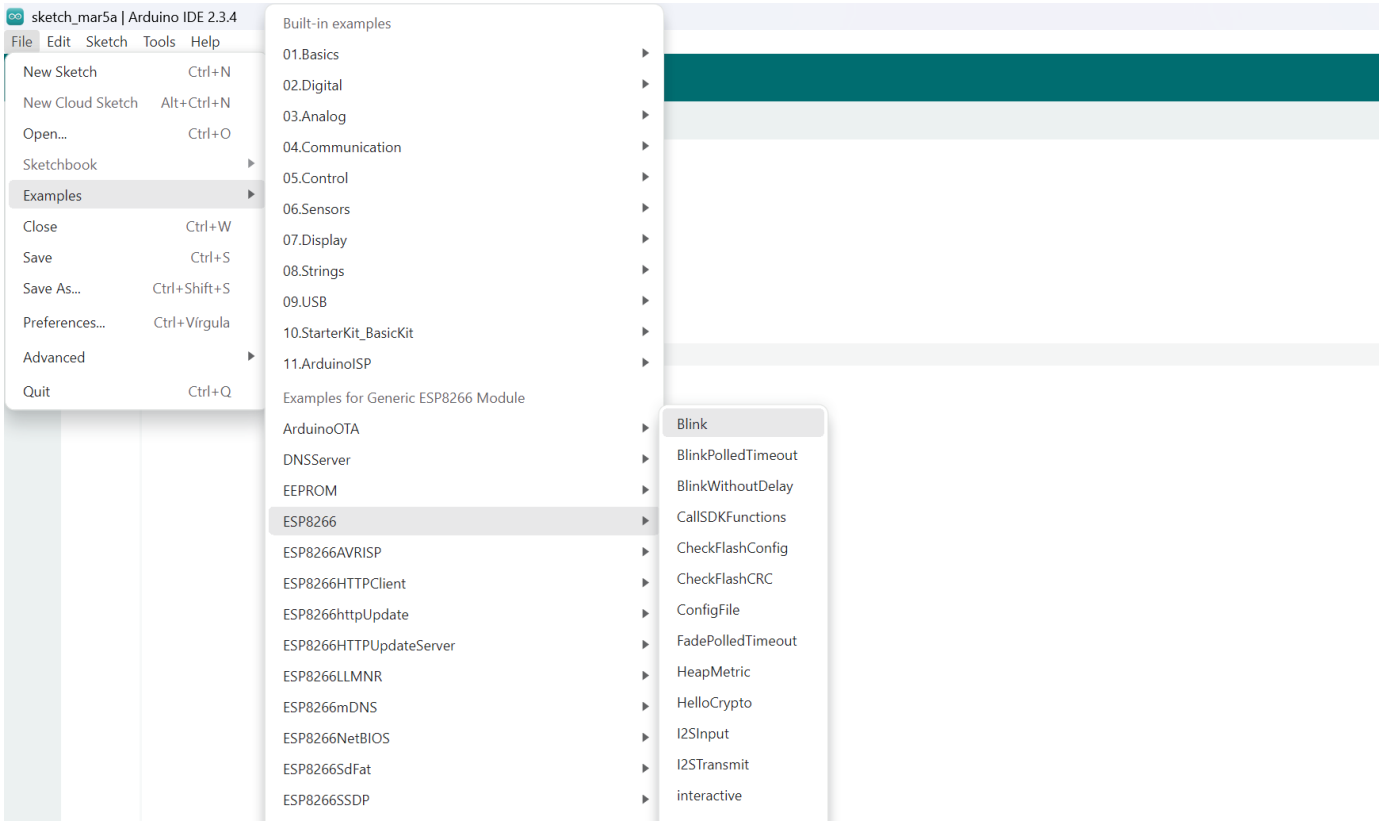
- Install some libraries: ArduinoHttpClient, Adafruit IO Arduino, Adafruit MQTT, PubSubClient, ArduinoJson, Firebase Arduino



https://github.com/googlesamples/firebase-arduino/archive/master.zip

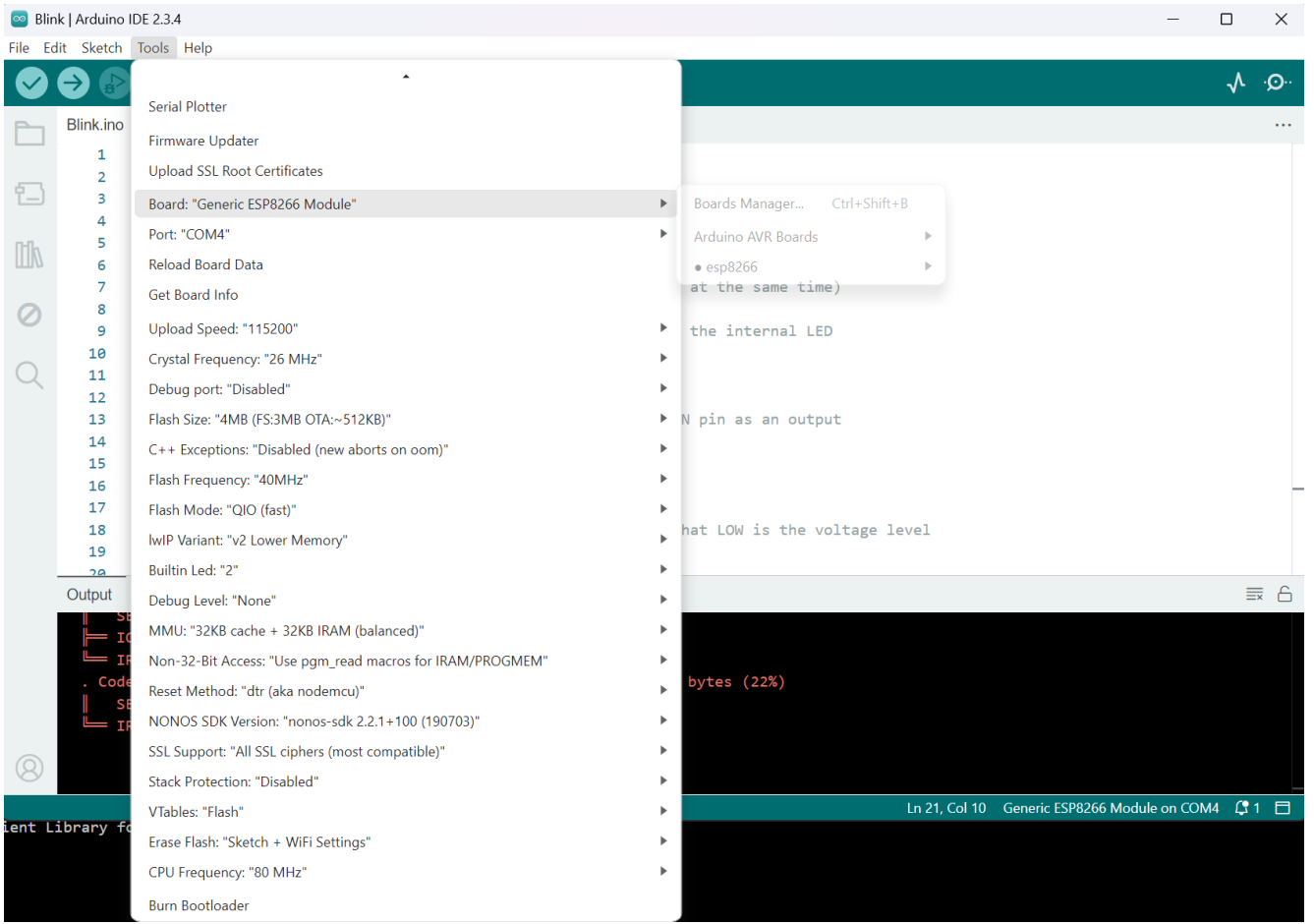
Arduino IDE: How To

- Try a few sketch examples: *Blink the Led*



Arduino IDE: How To

- Connect the board to the PC and set the correct board parameters



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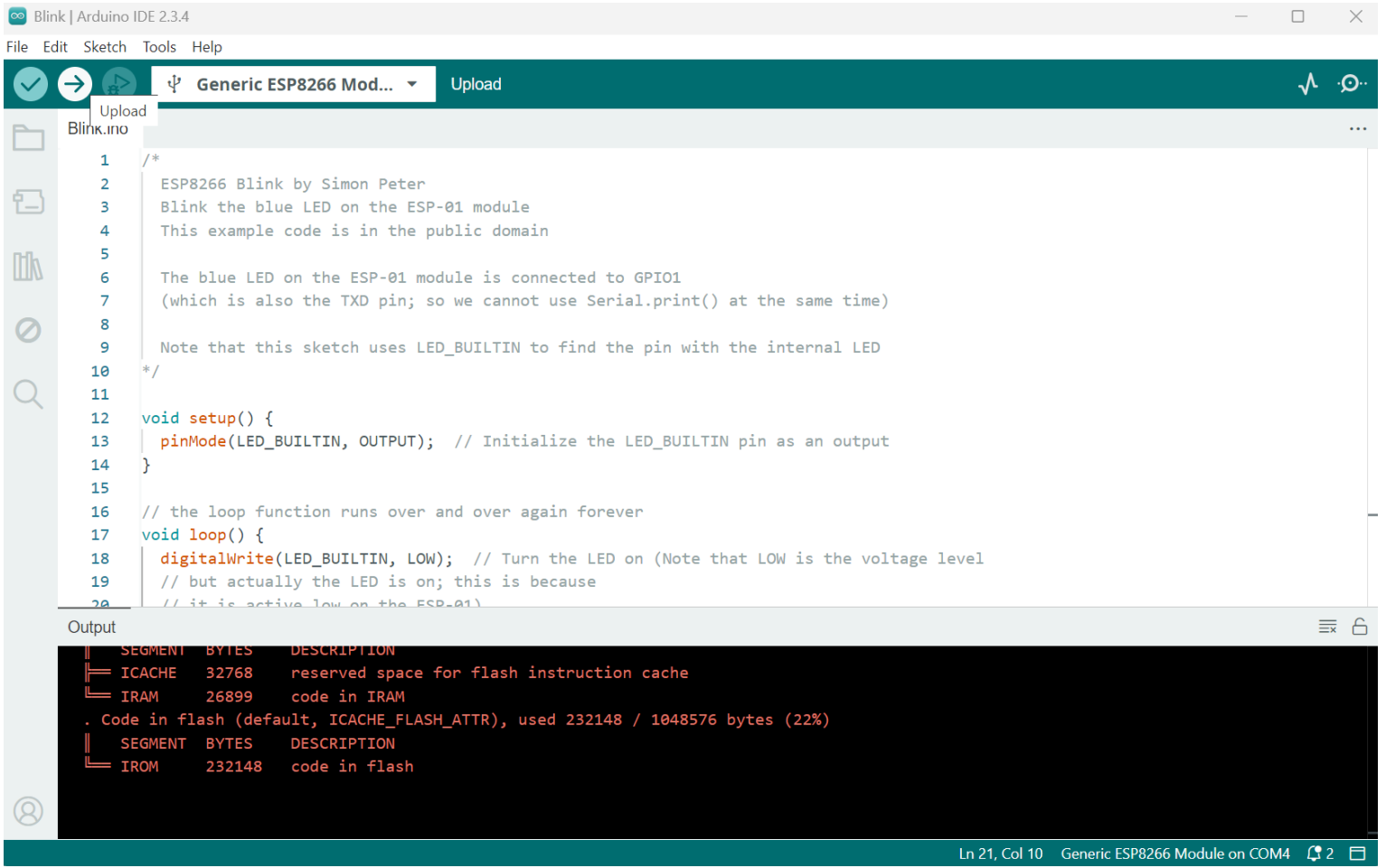
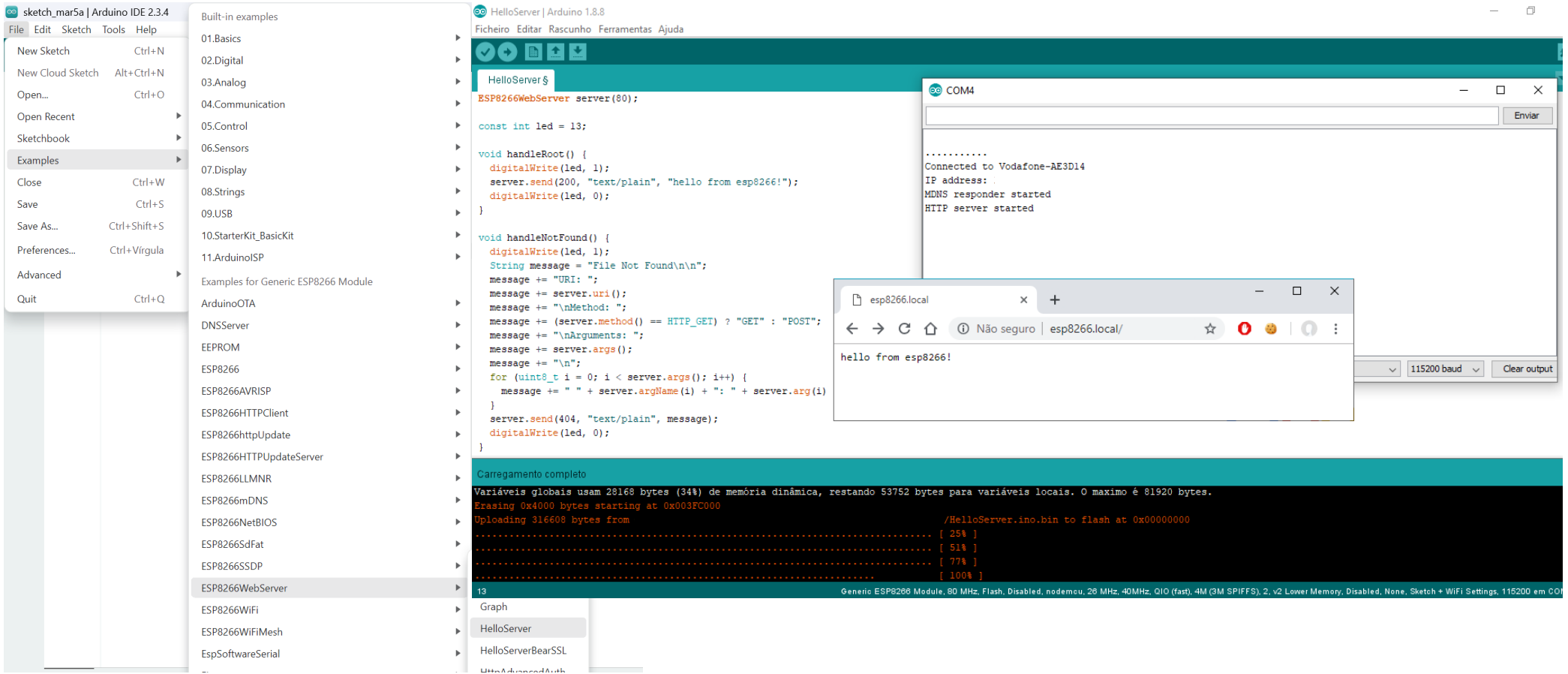
- Verify, compile and upload it



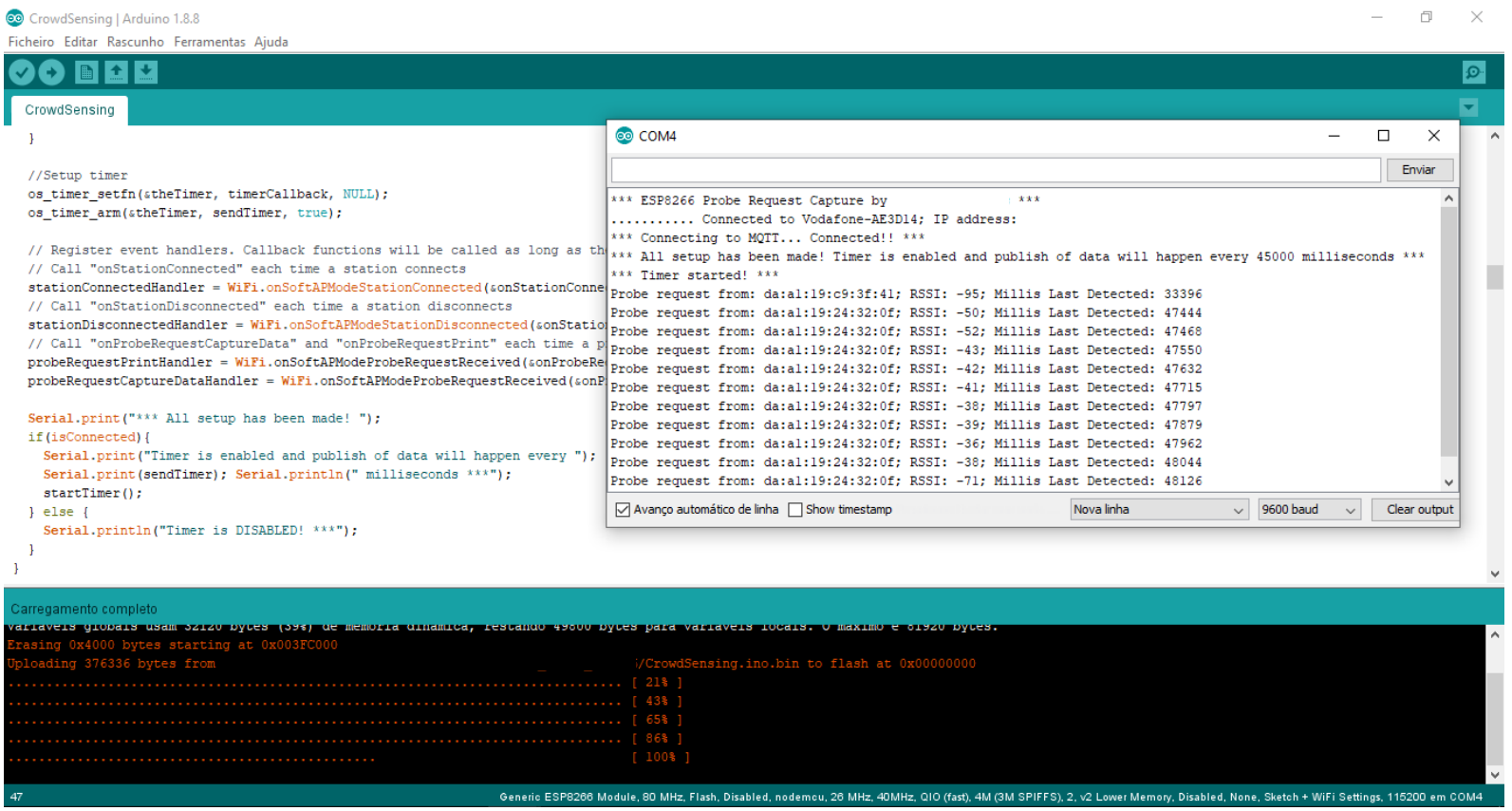
Arduino IDE: How To

- Try other examples: *HelloServer*



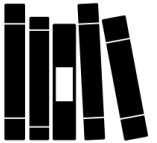
Arduino IDE: How To

- Try other examples: *CrowdSensing* (compatible with ArduinoJson v5)



https://goo.gl/RoPJM7

Resources



- When there is no board available, try an emulator:
  - https://wokwi.com/
    - https://wokwi.com/projects/380479029459892225
    - https://docs.wokwi.com/pt-BR/vscode/getting-started
  - https://blog.adafruit.com/2023/06/21/an-esp8266-simulator-in-javascript-emulation-wokwimakes/
  - https://github.com/afnid/espsim
  - https://hackaday.io/project/183023-esp8266-pc-xt-emulator
  - https://docs.zephyrproject.org/1.12.0/boards/xtensa/xt-sim/doc/xt-sim.html
  - https://github.com/OSLL/qemu-xtensa/tree/xtensa-esp8266
  - https://github.com/witnessmenow/esp8266-alexa-wemo-emulator
  - https://www.qemu.org/docs/master/index.html

- Useful links about connecting ESP8266 and Arduino:
  - https://tttapa.github.io/ESP8266/Chap01%20-%20ESP8266.html
  - https://github.com/esp8266/Arduino
  - https://doc.riot-os.org/group__cpu__esp8266.html