

SKU:DFR1063 (https://raw.githubusercontent.com/espressif/arduino-esp32/gh-pages/package_esp32_index.json)

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Introduction

The Romeo mini robot controller is the ESP32 version of the Romeo BLE mini. It features an onboard ESP32-C3 module, supporting Wi-Fi and Bluetooth 5 dual-mode communication, and has two channels of 1.7A motor drivers.

Romeo mini has 9 IO interfaces (supporting analog, digital, UART, and I2C), with each interface compatible with the Gravity standard. It can be connected to various Gravity sensor modules. The servo interface can provide stable power supply through the servo power port for servos and other high-current devices. Additionally, it has a built-in GDI interface on the back for connecting an IPS display screen to show project-related information. The controller can meet the control requirements for robot motors and servos.

Features

- Main control + WiFi + Bluetooth 5 integrated motor driver development board
- Compact size
- Support for IPS TFT display screen
- Offers options for servo and motor control schemes

Specification

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- Main control chip: ESP32-C3-MINI-1
- Type-C input voltage: 5V
- VIN input voltage: 5-15V
- Motor output current: 1.7A continuous drive current per channel
- Servo input voltage: 5-12V
- Module size: 47x38.5mm

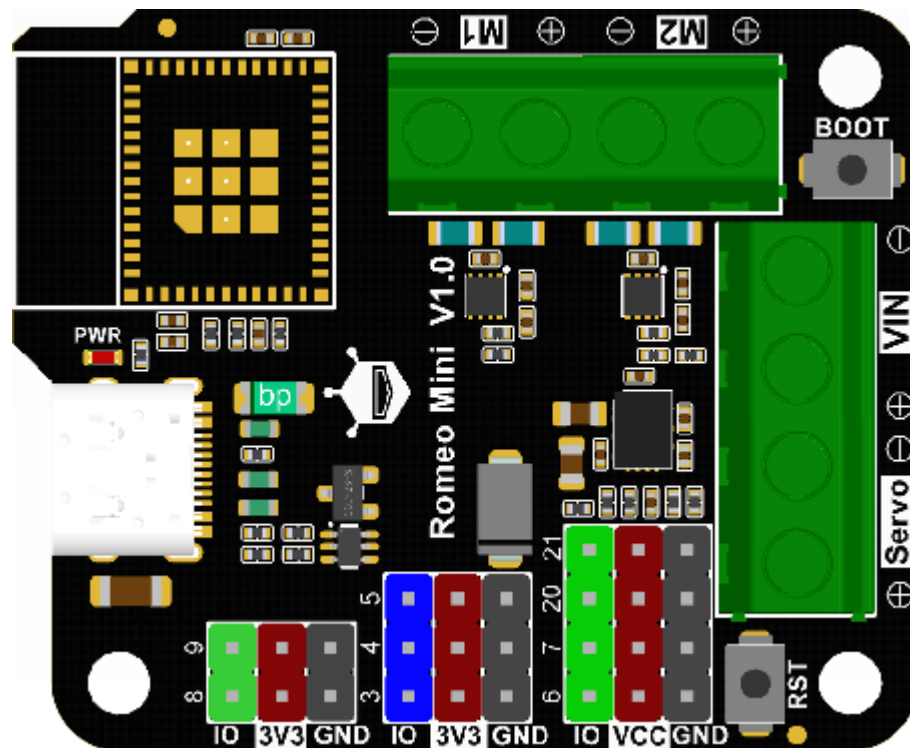
Interface Pins:

- Digital I/O: x4
- Analog I/O: x3
- UART: x1
- I2C: x1
- Motor: x2
- GDI: x1
- Type-C: x1

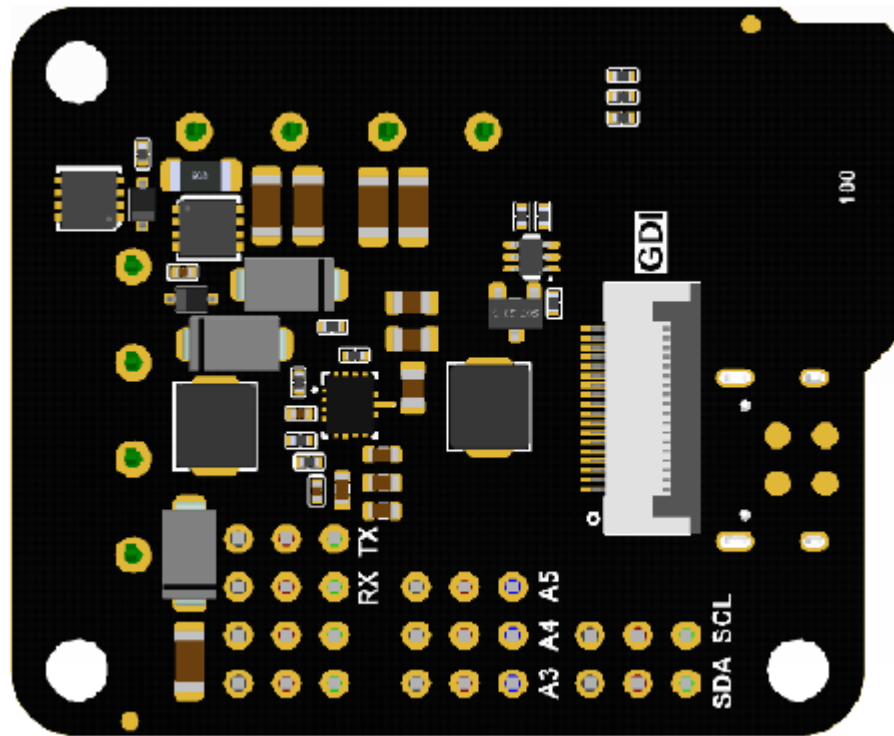


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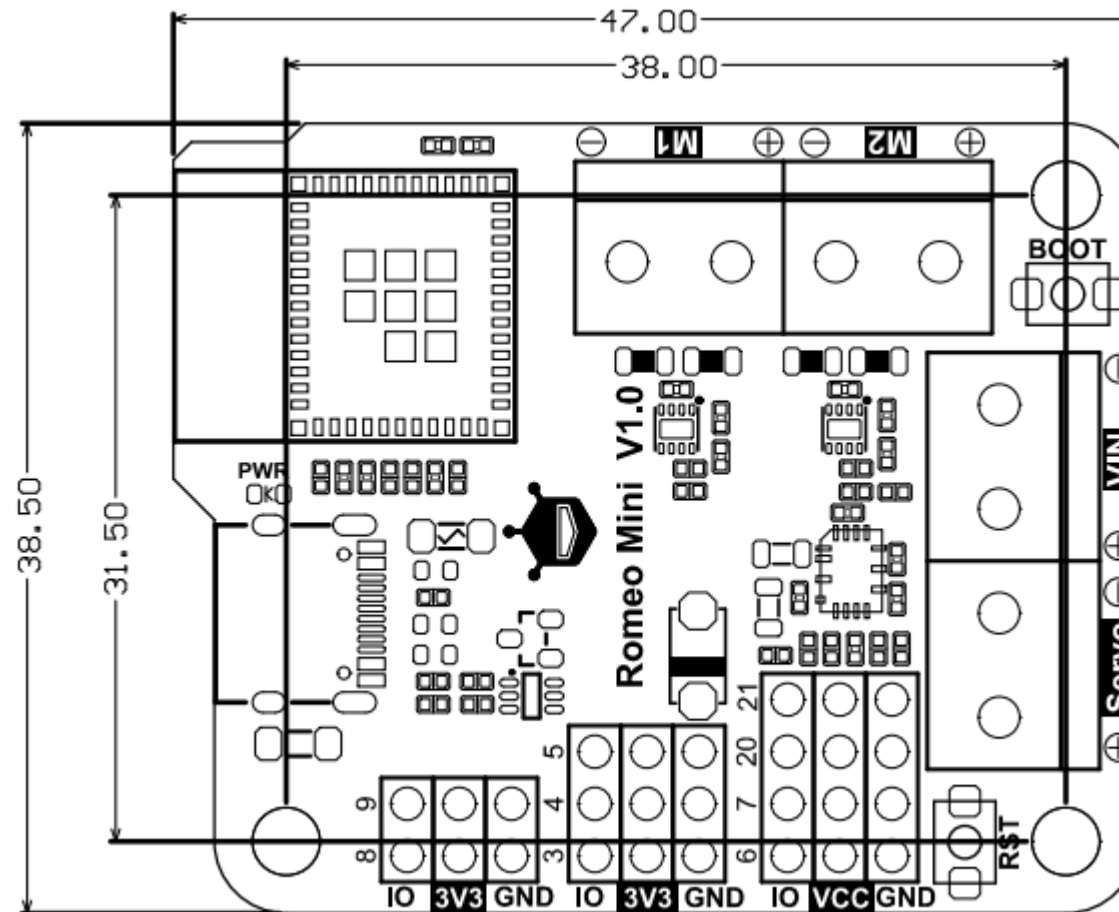
Name	Function Description
VIN	Power input for motor driver and controller: 5-15V. This port must be connected for M1/M2 motors to work.
Servo	Power input for digital ports: 5-12V. If using high-current peripherals with voltage higher than 5V on digital output port (VCC end), connect to this interface to avoid damaging the Type-C USB port.
M1/M2 Ports	Two motor control ports:
	M1: GPIO1 (direction control), GPIO0 (PWM control)
	M2: GPIO10 (direction control), GPIO2 (PWM control)

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Name	Function Description
I2C	Standard I2C interface: SDA (8), SCL (9), VCC (3.3V), GND
A-3.3V-GND	Standard analog interface:
	A (blue): analog ports 3, 4, 5
	3.3V (red): power supply positive terminal
	GND (black): power supply negative terminal
D-VCC-GND	Standard digital interface:
	D (green): digital ports 6, 7, 20, 21
	VCC (red): power supply positive terminal (When the Servo port is not powered, VCC is 5V; when the Servo port is powered, VCC is the input power for the Servo port.)
	GND (black): power supply negative terminal
UART	RX (20), TX (21), VCC (5V), GND
	Note: The UART interface shares two IO ports with servo ports, so UART cannot be used when servos are used.
RST	Controller reset button
BOOT	Controller download button

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Tutorial

1. Arduino Environment Configuration

When using the ESP32-C3 development board for the first time, it is important to follow these steps:

Note: If your computer fails to recognize the Romeo Mini module when connected via USB, please press and hold the BOOT button, then press the RST button. Finally, release both the BOOT and RST buttons simultaneously.

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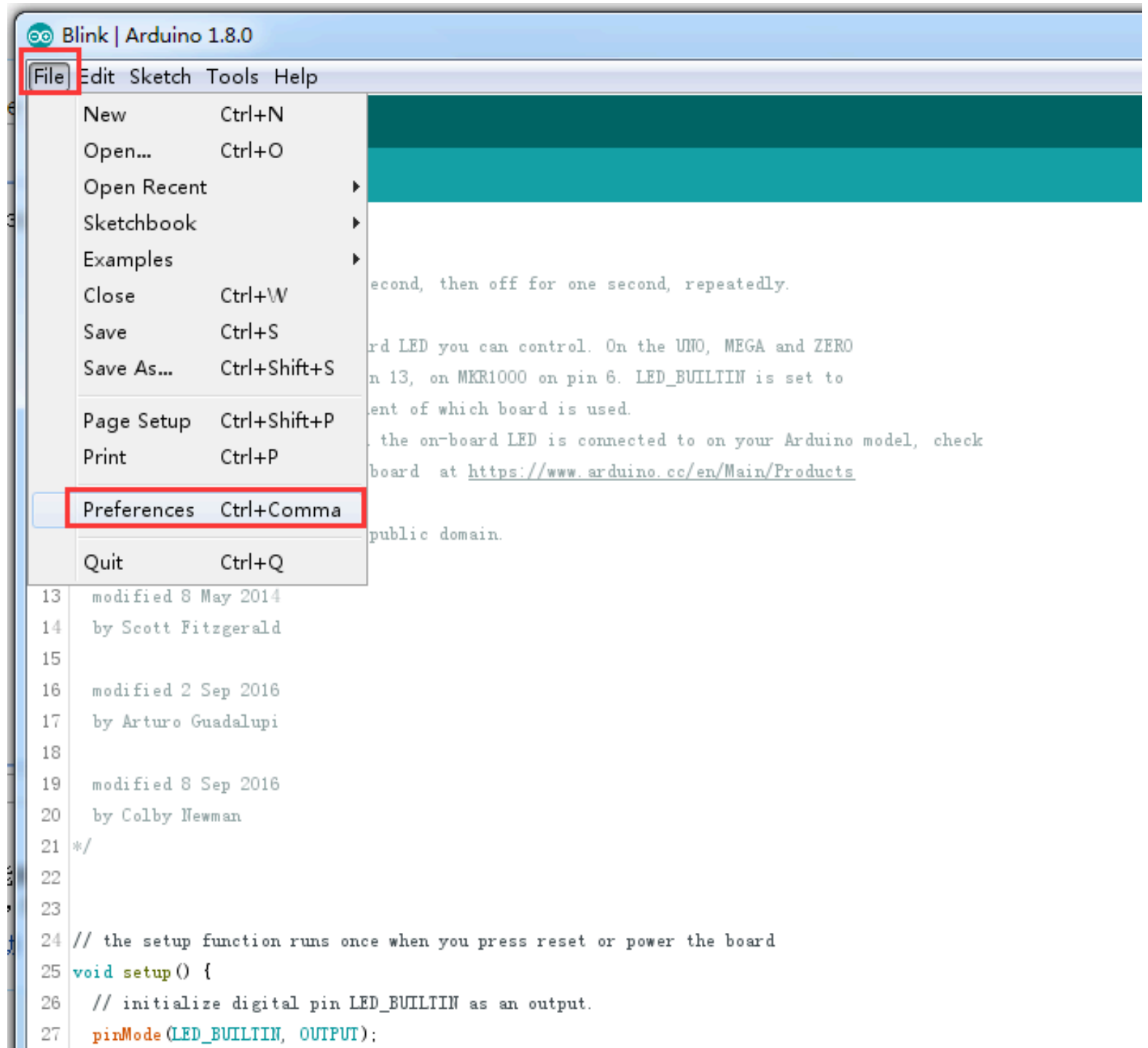
1.Add the JSON link to the IDE. 2.Download the core of the main controller. 3.Select the development board and serial port. 4.Open the sample program and upload it. 5.Familiarize yourself with the Serial Monitor.

- **Arduino IDE Compilation Environment Configuration**

- Configure the URL in the Arduino IDE.
- Open the Arduino IDE and click File -> Preferences, as shown in the figure below:

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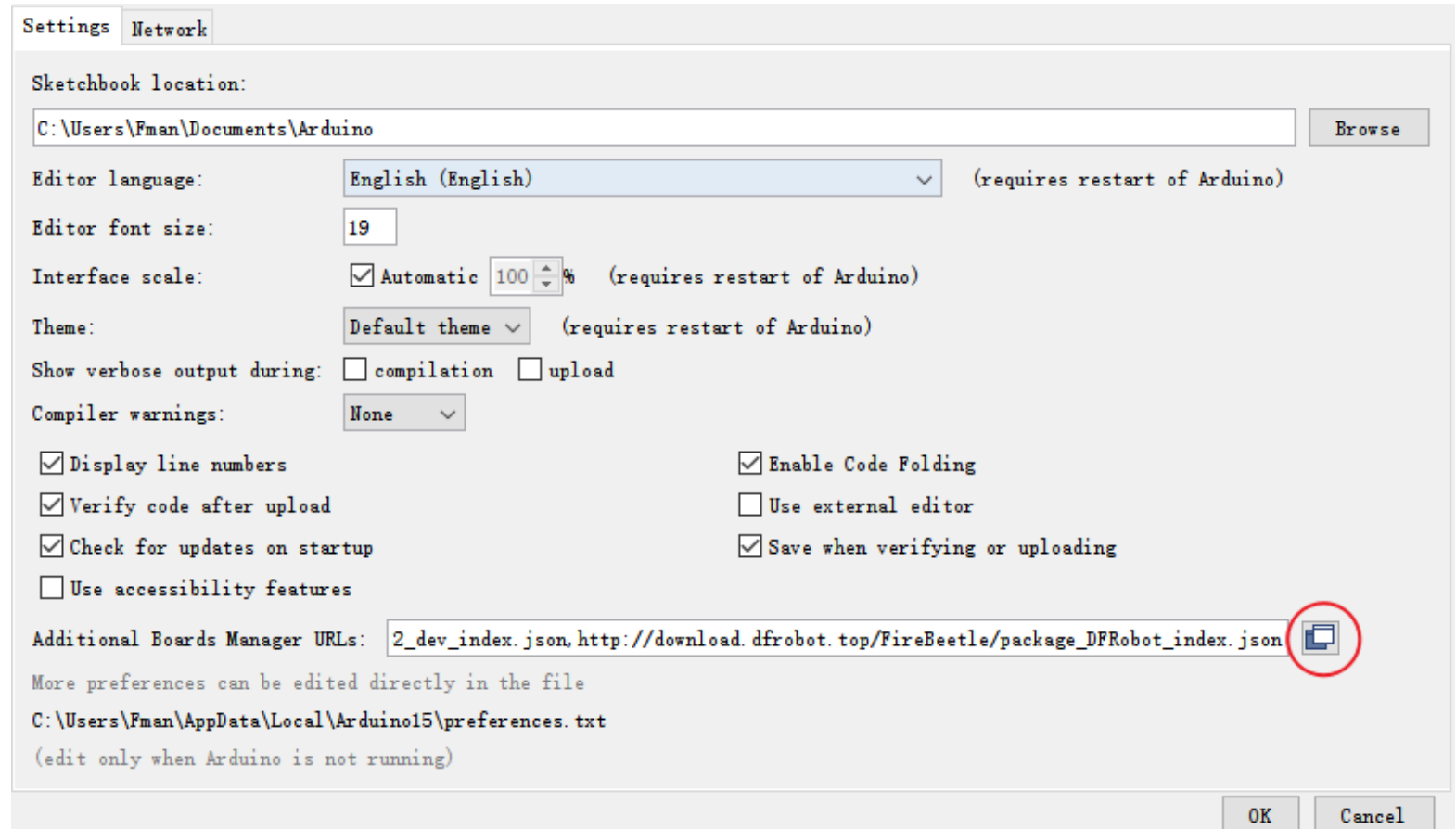
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```
28 }
29
```

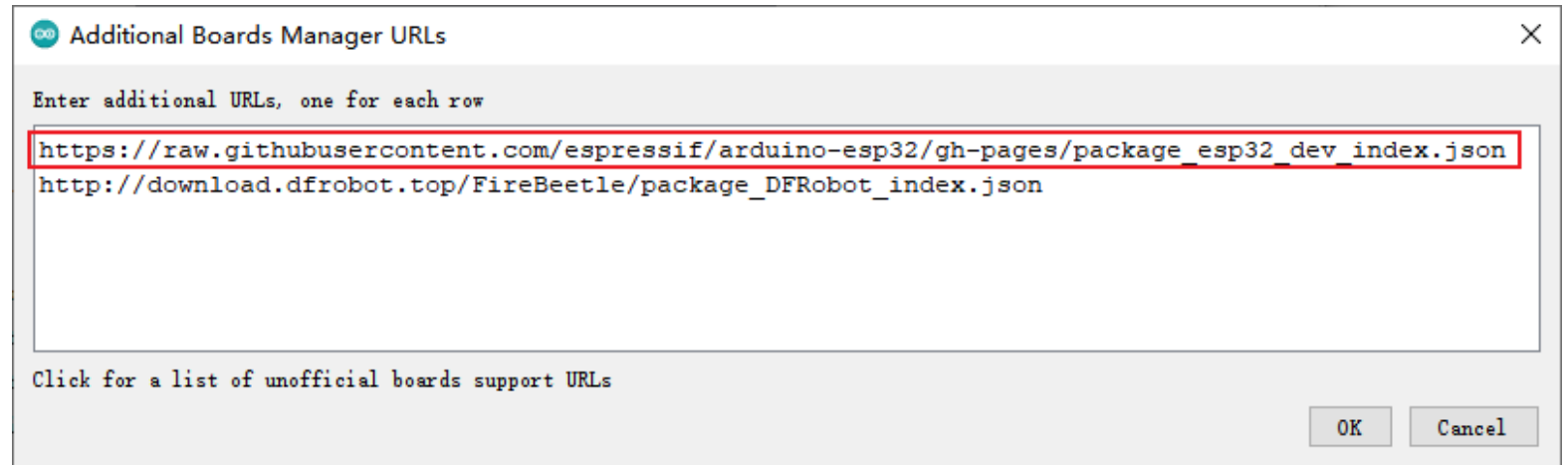
- In the new window, click the button indicated by the red circle in the figure below:

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- Copy the following link address into the dialog box that appears:
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- Note: If you have previously installed other environments, you can press Enter at the beginning or end of the previous link and paste the above link on any line above or below it.

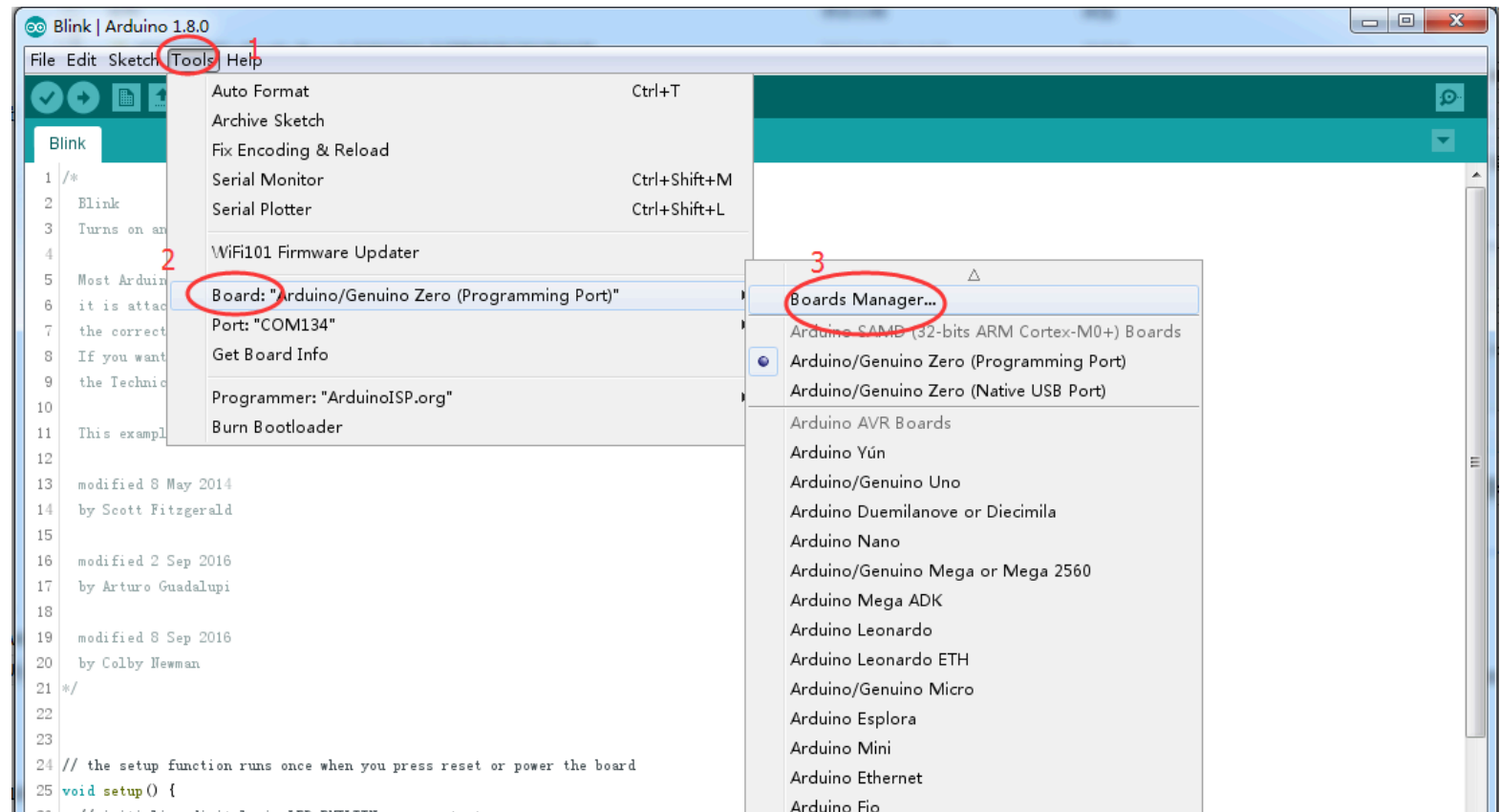
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- Click OK.
- Update the board.
- Open Tools -> Board -> Boards Manager..., as shown in the figure below:

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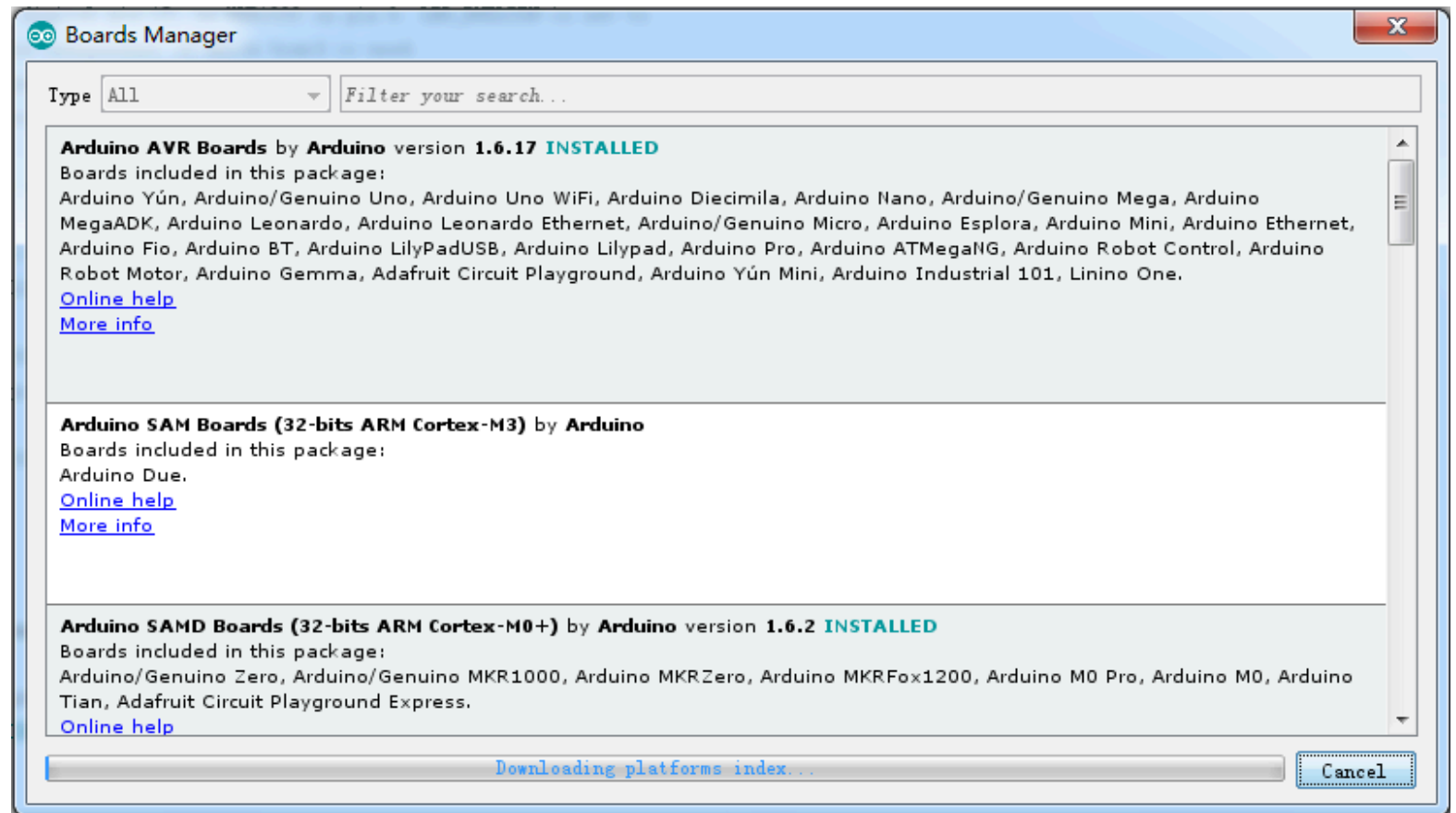
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- Boards Manager will automatically update the board, as shown in the figure below:

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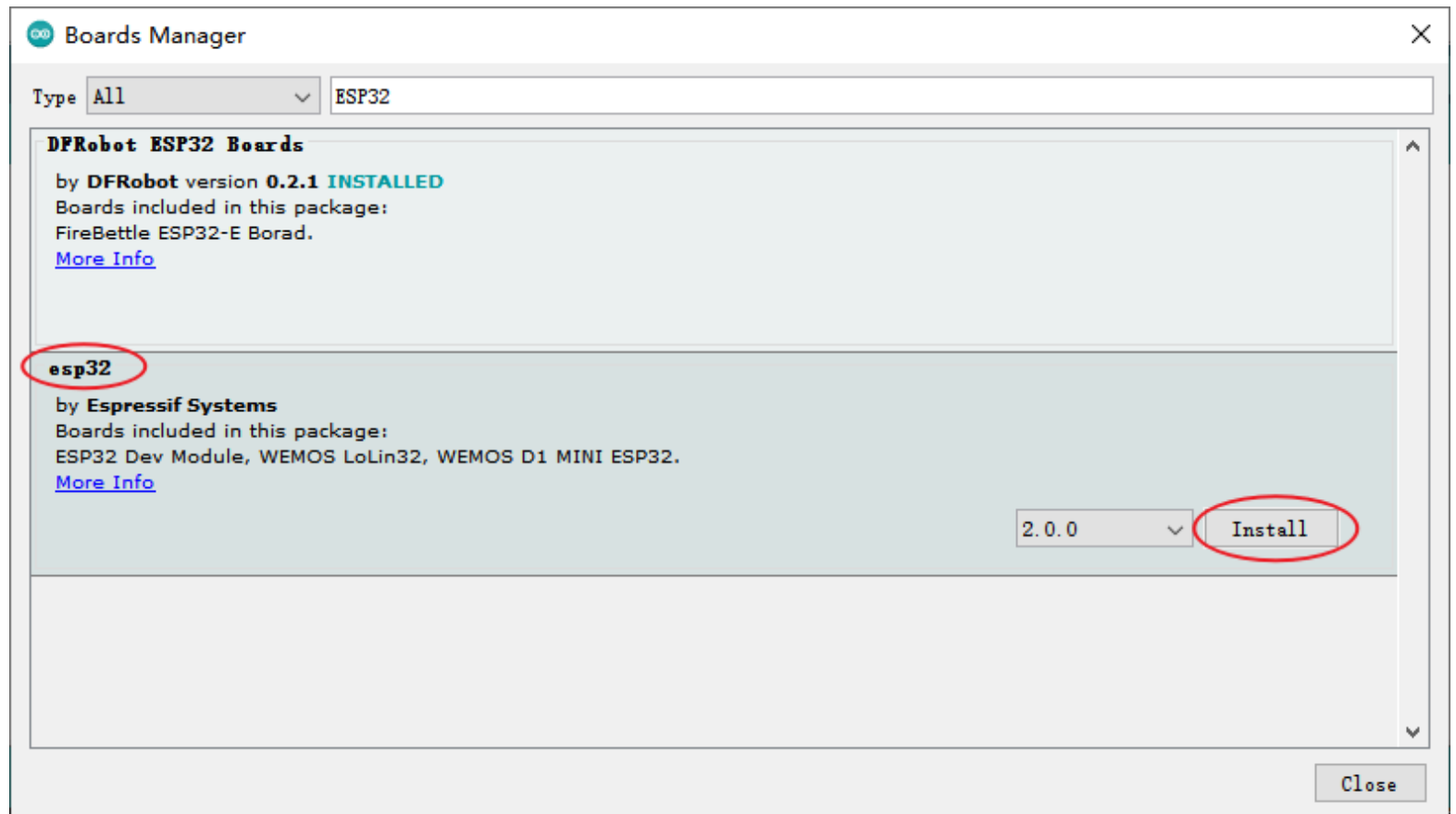
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- After the update is completed, you can type "esp32" in the input box at the top. Then, select "esp32" when it appears and click Install (current version: 2.0.0):

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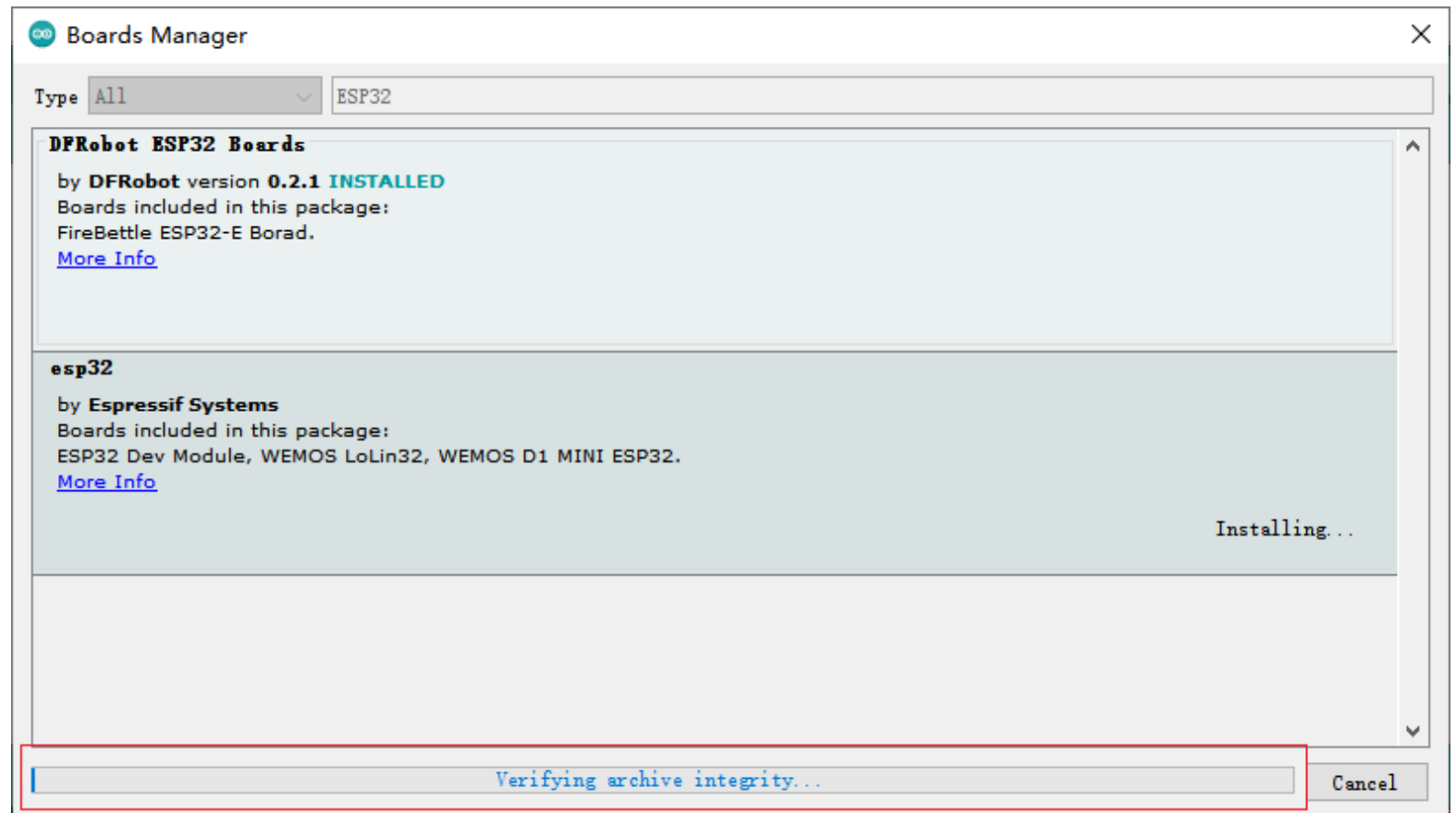
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- Wait for the progress bar to finish:

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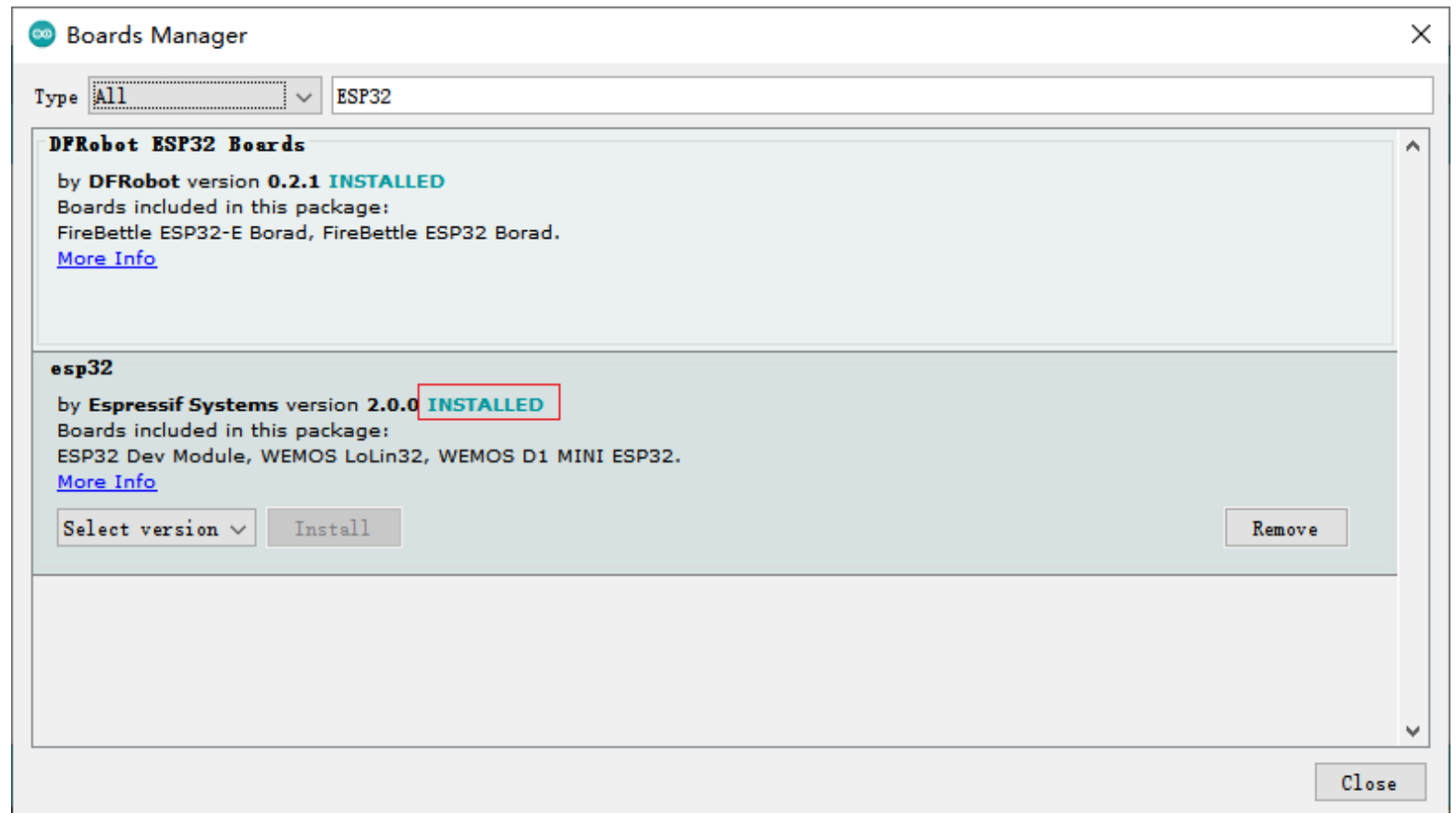
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- After the installation is complete, the list will display the installed ESP32 board, as shown in the figure below:

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- Click Tools -> Board:, and select "ESP32C3 Dev Module" (usually the first one in the list).

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The screenshot shows the Arduino IDE interface for a project named "LED_PWM" using Arduino 1.8.13. The "Tools" menu is open, showing options like "Auto Format", "Serial Monitor", and "Board: 'Arduino Yún'". The "Boards Manager" is also open, displaying a list of boards with "ESP32C3 Dev Module" and "ESP32 Arduino" highlighted. The code editor shows the following code:

```

1  /*
2  * LED_PWM
3  */
4  const int ledPin = 15;
5
6  //设置LED通道
7  const int ledChannel = 0;
8  const int resolution = 8;
9  const int freq = 1000;
10
11 void setup() {
12   //PWM参数设置
13   ledcSetup(ledChannel, freq, resolution);
14
15   //将生成信号通道绑定到输出通道上
16   ledcAttachPin(ledPin, ledChannel);
17 }
18
19 void loop() {
20   //逐渐变亮
21   for(int dutyCycle = 0; dutyCycle <= 255; dutyCycle++)
22     // changing the LED brightness with PWM
23     ledcWrite(ledChannel, dutyCycle);
24   delay(15);
25 }

```


- Prior to getting started, you'll need to configure the following settings (if you wish to print to the Arduino monitor via USB, choose "Enable"):

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The screenshot shows the Arduino IDE interface for a project named 'LED_PWM' on an 'Arduino 1.8.13' board. The 'Tools' menu is open, displaying various settings. The 'USB CDC On Boot' option is highlighted with a red box, and a sub-menu is open showing 'Disabled' and 'Enabled' radio buttons, with 'Enabled' selected. The code editor in the background shows a C++ program for PWM control of an LED. The status bar at the bottom indicates '编译完成。' (Compilation completed).

```
LED_PWM | Arduino 1.8.13
文件 编辑 项目 工具 帮助
LED_PWM
4  const
5
6  //设置
7  const
8  const
9  const
10
11 void
12 //P
13 led
14
15 //精
16 led
17 }
18
19 void
20 //逐
21 for(int dutyCycle = 0; dutyCycle <= 255; dutyCycle++){
22     // changing the LED brightness with PWM
23     ledcWrite(ledChannel, dutyCycle);
24     delay(15);
25 }
26
27 //逐渐变暗
28 for(int dutyCycle = 255; dutyCycle >= 0; dutyCycle--){
29     // changing the LED brightness with PWM
30
编译完成。
```

项目使用了 205062 字节，占用了 (15%) 程序存储空间。最大为 1310720 字节。
全局变量使用了9164字节，(2%)的动态内存，余留318516字节局部变量。最大为327680字节。

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- Click on "Port" and select the corresponding serial port. (If the port keeps appearing and disappearing, you need to press and hold the BOOT button, then press the RST button, and finally release both the BOOT and RST buttons simultaneously).

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WiFiClient | Arduino 1.8.13

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- Serial Monitor Ctrl+Shift+M
- Serial Plotter Ctrl+Shift+L
- WiFi101 / WiFININA Firmware Updater
- Board: "ESP32C3 Dev Module"
- Upload Speed: "921600"
- USB CDC On Boot: "Disabled"
- Upload Mode: "UART0"
- CPU Frequency: "160MHz (WiFi)"
- Flash Frequency: "80MHz"
- Flash Mode: "QIO"
- Flash Size: "4MB (32Mb)"
- Partition Scheme: "Default 4MB with spiffs (1.2MB APP/1.5MB SPIFFS)"
- Core Debug Level: "None"
- Port: "COM17 (ESP32C3 Dev Module)"
- Get Board Info
- Programmer
- Burn Bootloader

Serial ports

- COM17 (ESP32C3 Dev Module)

```

1  / *
2  *  T
3  *
4  *  Y
5  *  b
6  *
7  * /
8
9  #inclu
10
11 const
12 const
13
14 const
15 const
16 const
17
18 void setup ()
19 {
20     Serial.begin (115200) ;
21     delay (10) ;

```

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2. PWM-driven DC Motors

Requirements

- DC Motors: x2

- Romeo Mini: x1

Connection Diagram

The module is powered by 5-15V. Choose an appropriate power supply voltage based on the motors.

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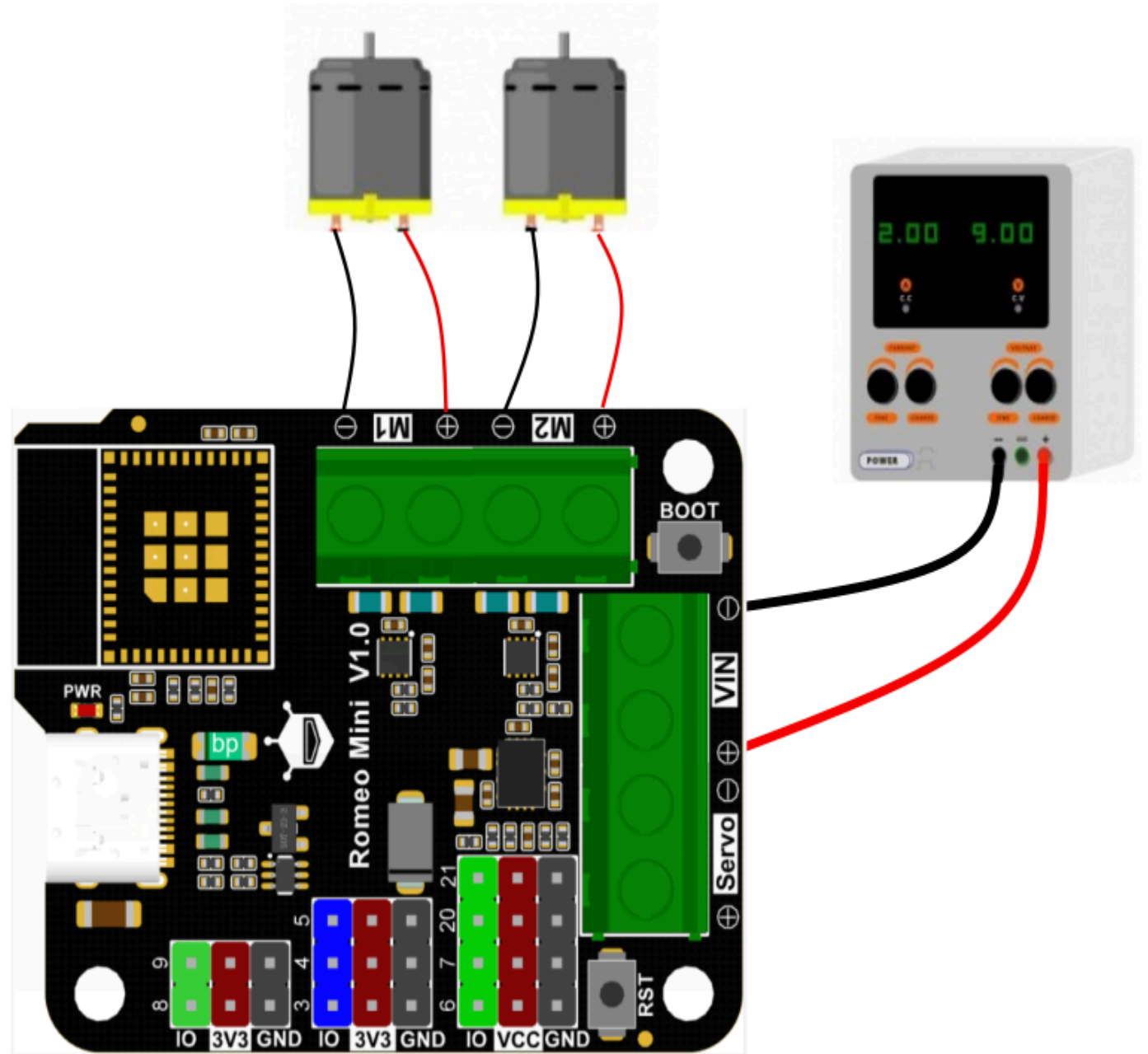
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EN	PH	Function
H	H	Forward
H	L	Reverse
PWM	L	Forward
PWM	H	Reverse



Sample Code

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```
int EN1 = 0; // PWM control for motor M1
int PH1 = 1; // Direction control for motor M1
int EN2 = 2; // PWM control for motor M2
int PH2 = 10; // Direction control for motor M2

void setup() {
  pinMode(EN1, OUTPUT);
  pinMode(PH1, OUTPUT);
  pinMode(EN2, OUTPUT);
  pinMode(PH2, OUTPUT);
}

void loop() {
  M1_Forward(200); // Motor M1 moves forward with adjustable PWM
  M2_Forward(200); // Motor M2 moves forward with adjustable PWM
  delay(5000);
  M1_Backward(200); // Motor M1 moves backward with adjustable PWM
  M2_Backward(200); // Motor M2 moves backward with adjustable PWM
  delay(5000);
}

void M1_Forward(int Speed1) // Forward fast decay mode for M1 motor, larger Speed1 value resu
{
  analogWrite(EN1, Speed1);
  digitalWrite(PH1, LOW);
}

void M1_Backward
```

Example Result: Execute the sample program by commanding simultaneous rapid forward rotation of motors M1 and M2, followed by simultaneous slow reverse rotation of motors M1 and M2.

3. PWM-Driven Servo Motor

Prerequisites:

- 5V PWM servo motor x1
- Romeo mini x1

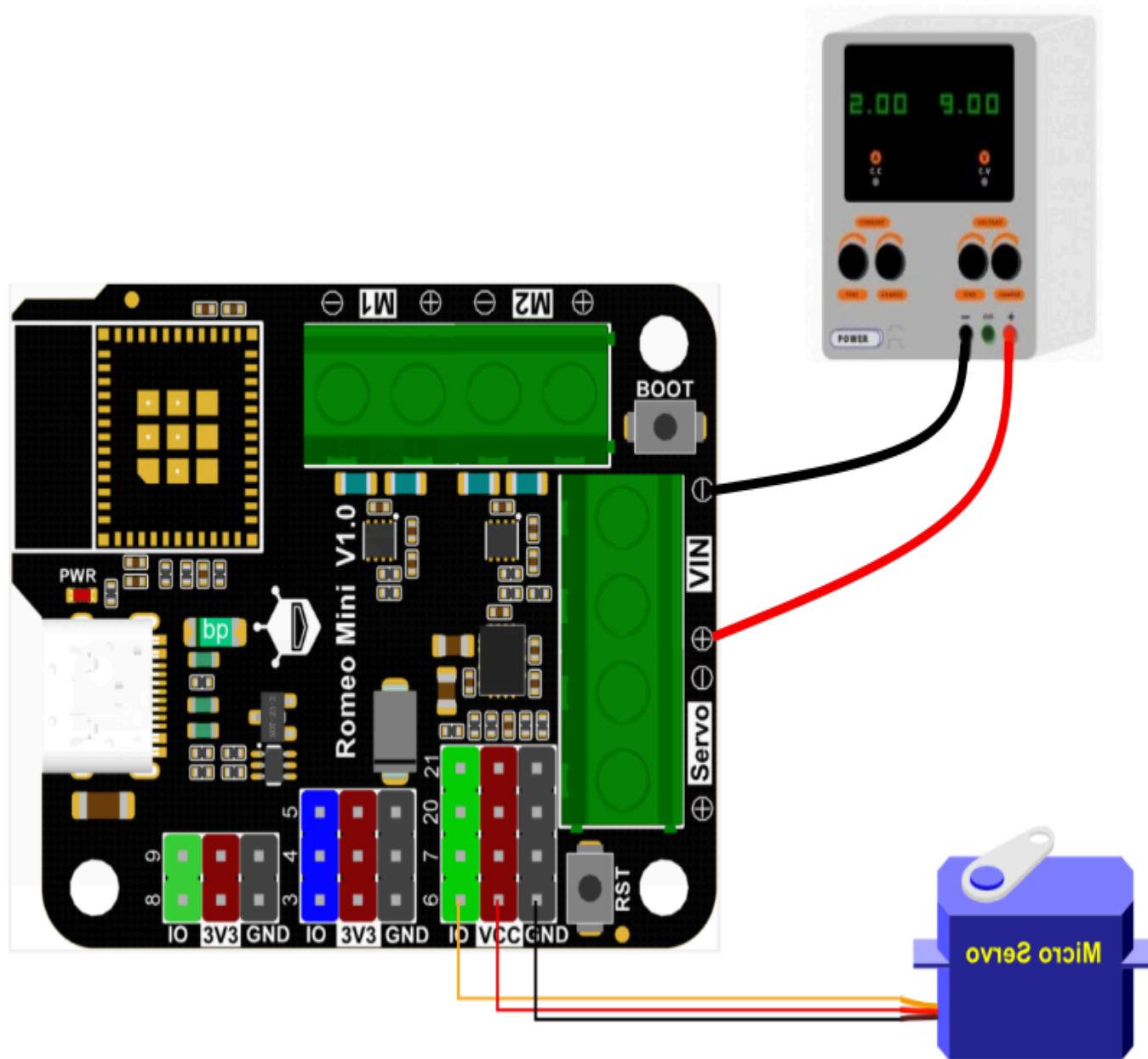
Connection Diagram:

If you need to operate a servo motor or peripheral device with a voltage higher than 5V, connect the Servon terminal to the power supply. The power supply range should be between 5-12V. The VCC terminal voltage is equal to the input voltage at the Servon terminal. When the Servon terminal is not connected, the default VCC terminal voltage is 5V.

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```
void setup() {  
  ledcSetup(0, 5000, 10); // Configure channel 0 with a frequency of 5KHz and 10-bit resolution  
  ledcAttachPin(6, 0); // Assign pin 6 as the output pin for channel 0  
}  
  
void loop() {  
  ledcWrite(0, 125); // Set the output of channel 0 to 125, producing a PWM output of 0 to 100%  
  delay(1000);  
  ledcWrite(0, 25);  
  delay(1000);  
}
```

Example Result: Burn the sample program to cyclically rotate Servo 1 in the range of 0-180°.

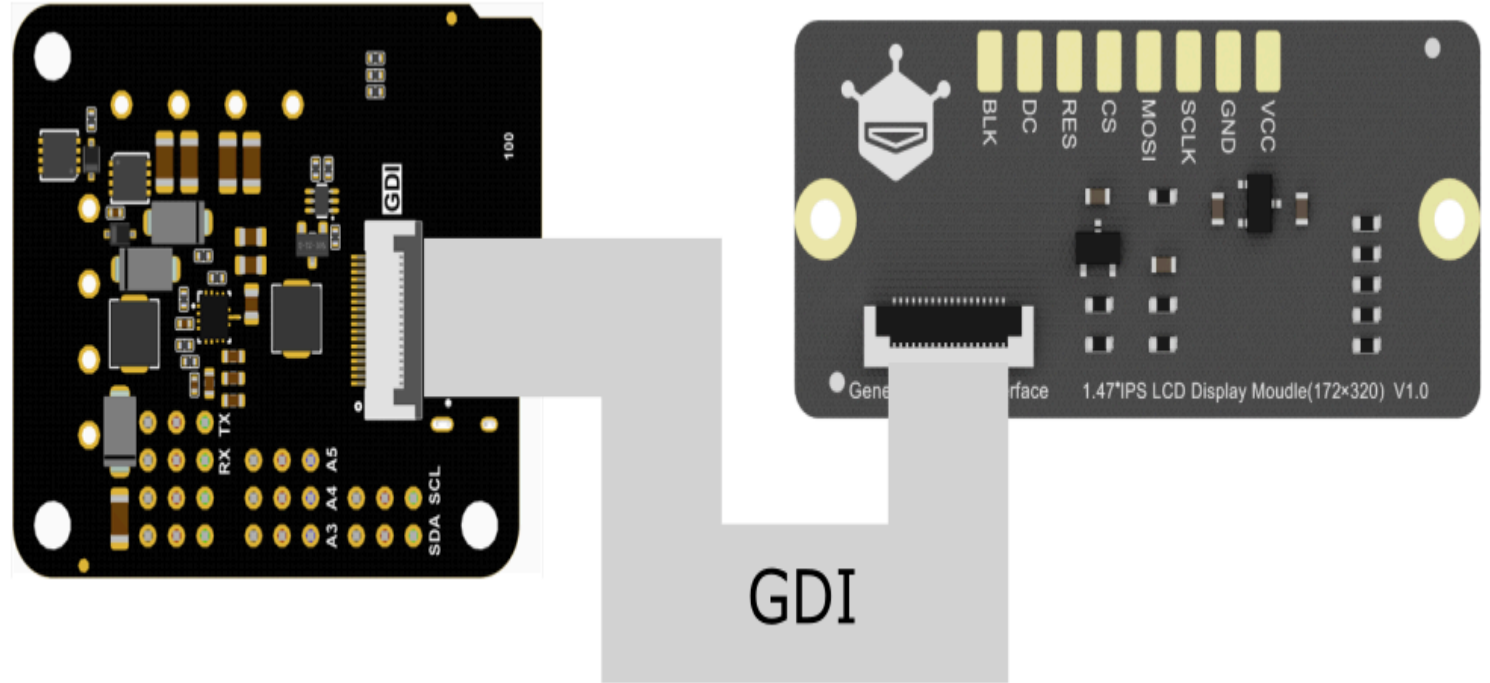
4. Driving an SPI Display

Prerequisites:

- 1.47" 172×320 IPS LCD Display Module (<https://www.dfrobot.com/product-2638.html>)
- Romeo mini x1
- The DFR0664, DFR0649, DFR0847, DFR0928, and DFR0995 models are all compatible with the Romeo mini controller. For detailed usage instructions, please refer to the display's wiki page.

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```
#include "DFRobot_GDL.h"
#define TFT_DC 8
#define TFT_CS 7
#define TFT_RST 9

DFRobot_ST7789_172x320_HW_SPI screen(/dc=/TFT_DC,/cs=/TFT_CS,/rst=/TFT_RST);
/* M0 mainboard DMA transfer */
//DFRobot_ST7789_172x320_DMA_SPI screen(/dc=/TFT_DC,/cs=/TFT_CS,/rst=/TFT_RST);

void setup() {
  screen.begin();
  screen.setTextSize(2);
  screen.fillScreen(COLOR_RGB565_BLACK); // Set the background color
  screen.setFont(&FreeMono24pt7b); // Set the font size (9, 12, 18, 24)
  screen.setCursor(/x=/32, /y=/200); // Set the text position
  screen.setTextColor(COLOR_RGB565_LIGHTGRAY); // Set the text color
  screen.setTextWrap(true);
  screen.print("DF"); // Display the English characters
}

void loop() {
  // Empty loop as no further actions are required for this example
}
```

Example Result: Burn the sample program to display the gray English characters "DF" on the screen.

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Burn Error

Cause

- If the delay in the loop is too short or no delay is added, it can result in a timeout error during the burning process.

```
A fatal error occurred: Timed out waiting for packet header
A fatal error occurred: Timed out waiting for packet header
```

- Incorrectly calling certain functions can cause the computer to not recognize the USB connection.



Solution

Press and hold the BOOT button, then click the RST button, and finally release the BOOT button.

No Serial Output

Solution

- Check if USB CDC is enabled.
- Use a different serial debugging tool to view the print information.
- For more questions and interesting applications, you can visit the forum for reference or to post your queries.

More

- esp32-c3-mini-1 datasheet (https://www.espressif.com.cn/sites/default/files/documentation/esp32-c3-mini-1_datasheet_en.pdf)
- Motor driver chip drv8220 datasheet (<https://dfimg.dfrobot.com/5ea64bf6cf1d8c7738ad2881/wiki/0d792b7309275ae76bd61cbc548219d2.pdf>)

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- Schematic V1.0.0
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