Energy saving house with ESP32

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Introduction

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Matériaux

- ESP32 board
- micro USB cable to power the board
- laser cut house (downloadable here)
- Breadboard
- 3 jumper wires (one M/F)
- light sensor
- optional (Led)
- 1kohm resistor

Étape 1 - Install Arduino IDE

You will need to use Arduino IDE to code and upload the firmware onto your ESP32 board.

Download the software by visiting Arduino IDE > Scroll down until you see the "Download the Arduino IDE" section and choose the version based upon your operating system (e.g. If you have Windows 7, choose "Windows Installer" / if you have Windows 10, choose "Windows app" > On the next page choose "Just download" and run the installation files.

Outils

- computer with Arduino IDE installed

Follow the instructions provided on GitHub for your Operating System. For example, if you have Windows 7 or 10, choose "Instructions for Windows" / if you have a MacBook, choose "Instructions for Mac"

For the "Instructions for Windows" section, you can ignore the following step:

Étape 3 - Check that the board is correctly configured

Launch Arduino IDE and select "ESP32 Dev Module" from the Tools menu > Board. Fetch the Blink example from File > Examples > 01.Basics > Blink. write int LED_BUILTIN = 2; at the beginning of the code /*

ESP 32 Blink Turns on an LED on for one second, then off for one second, repeatedly. The ESP32 has an internal blue LED at D2 (GPIO 02) */ int LED_BUILTIN = 2; void setup() { pinMode(LED_BUILTIN, OUTPUT);

void loop()

{

}

digitalWrite(LED_BUILTIN, HIGH); // turn the LED on (HIGH is the voltage level)

delay(1000); // wait for a second

digitalWrite(LED_BUILTIN, LOW); // turn the LED off by making the voltage LOW

delay(1000); // wait for a second

Finally, upload the code by using the right arrow (\rightarrow) button at the top right corner of the window, by choosing Sketch > Upload or by pressing Ctrl+U on the keyboard.



Étape 4 - Wiring the photoresistor to the ESP32

The shorter leg of the photoresistor is connected to 3V on the ESP32. The other leg is connected to pin VP (or 36) and at the same time to a 1kohm resistor, which in turn is connected to GND on the ESP32.

Note: if it's the first time you're using a breadboard, check out this video to understand how breadboards work.





Étape 5 - Programming on tuniot

Let's create a program that turns the internal LED on and off depending on the amount of light recorded by the photoresistor. More precisely, the LED will be on when it's dark, and off when it's light.

For that we need to reach: http://easycoding.tn/esp32/demos/code/ Choose the appropriate blocks to create the code displayed below (see image).

- 1. "Variables" section Declare 'i' type 'int' Value + "Math" section the actual value "0"
- "Variables" section set 'i' to + "IN/OUT" section > "Analog" subsection - AnalogREAD PIN#
- "Logic" section if... do & 'i' < 500 ('i' taken from "Variables" section & '500' taken from "Math" section)
- 4. "IN/OUT" section > "Digital" subsection Integrated LED Stat
- 5. 'else' appears if you click on the "Settings" wheel / icon next to 'if' and choose 'else' from the list
- 6. "Serial" section Print on new line
- 7. "Various" section Delay Ms 1000



Étape 6 - Programming on Arduino IDE

To upload the code on Arduino IDE, click on the "Copy Arduino code into clipboard" button.

then paste the code onto Arduino IDE, and upload it to the ESP32.

If you click on Serial Monitor (top right of the Arduino IDE window, below the "X" button), you should see the value that the photoristor is recording at any given time.

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