

BeagleBone Cookbook Webinar Series

Recipe #3

Wiring the Internet of Things (IoT) with Node-RED

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BeagleBone Black

Ready to explore and use in minutes

Truly flexible open hardware and software development platform

All you need is in the box

Proven ecosystem from prototype to product



- Ready to use
 - USB client network
 - Built-in tutorials
 - Browser based IDE
 - Flashed w/Debian
- Fast and flexible
 - 1-GHz Sitara ARM
 - 2x200-MHz PRUs
 - 512-MB DDR3
 - On-board HDMI
 - 65 digital I/O
 - 7 analog inputs
- Support for numerous Cape plug-in boards

<http://beaglebonecapex.com>

BeagleBone Black – the most flexible solution in open-source computing

BeagleBone Black board features

10/100 Ethernet

USB Host

Easily connects to almost any everyday device such as mouse or keyboard

microHDMI

Connect directly to monitors and TVs

microSD

Expansion slot for additional storage

512MB DDR3

Faster, lower power RAM for enhanced user-friendly experience

Serial Debug

DC Power

Expansion headers

Enable cape hardware and include:

- 65 digital I/O
- 7 analog
- 4 serial
- 2 SPI
- 2 I2C
- 8 PWMs
- 4 timers
- And much much more!

Boot Button

Power Button

LEDS

Reset Button

USB Client

Development interface and directly powers board from PC

4-GB on-board storage using eMMC

- Pre-loaded with Debian Linux Distribution
- 8-bit bus accelerates performance
- Frees the microSD slot to be used for additional storage for a less expensive solution than SD cards

1-GHz Sitara AM335x ARM® Cortex™-A8 processor

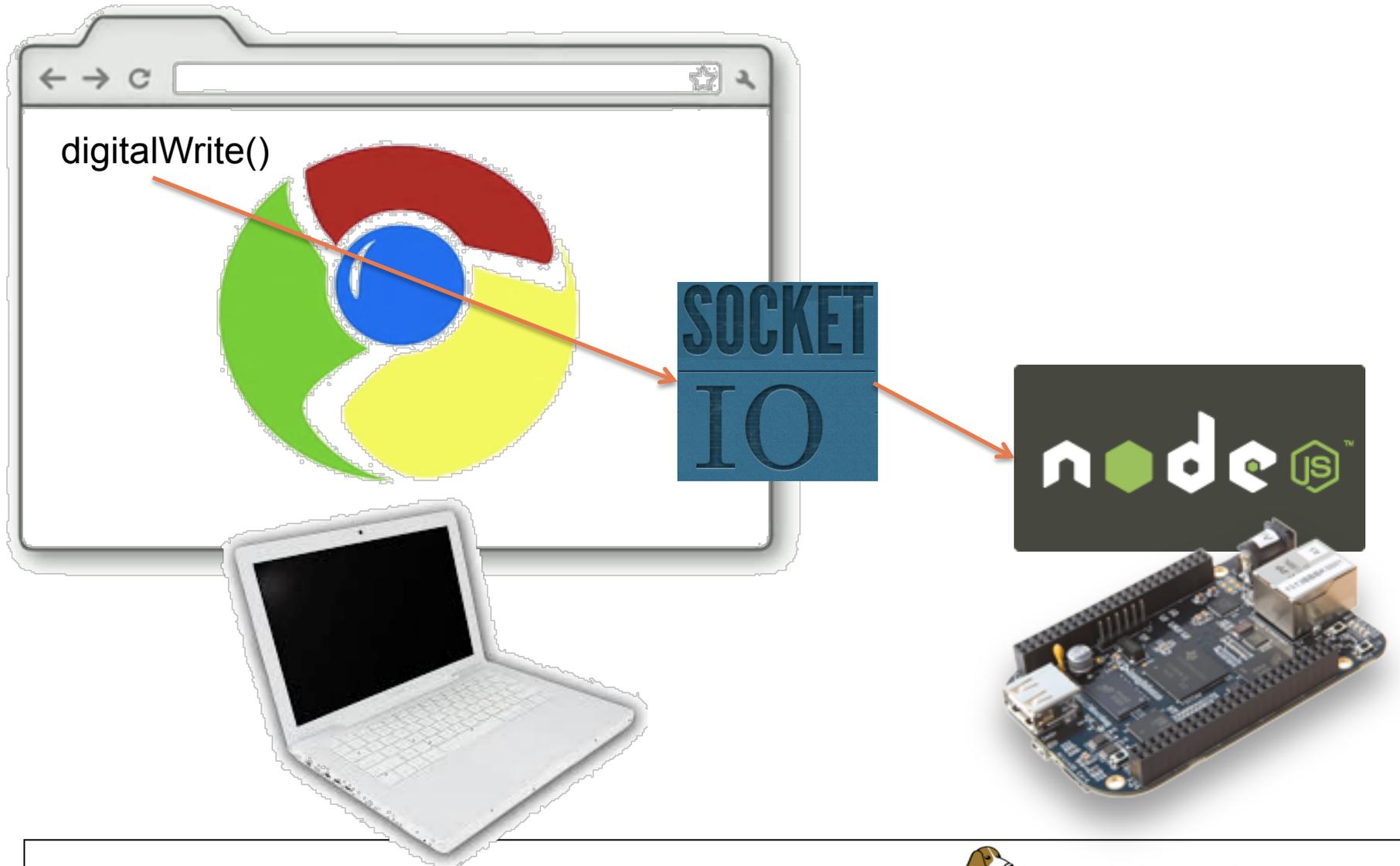
Provides a more advanced user interface and up to 150% better performance than ARM11

Money saving extras:

- Power over USB
- Included USB cable
- 4-GB on-board storage
- Built-in PRU microcontrollers

Simple browser-based interactions

<http://beagleboard.github.io/bone101>



Cloud9 IDE hosted locally

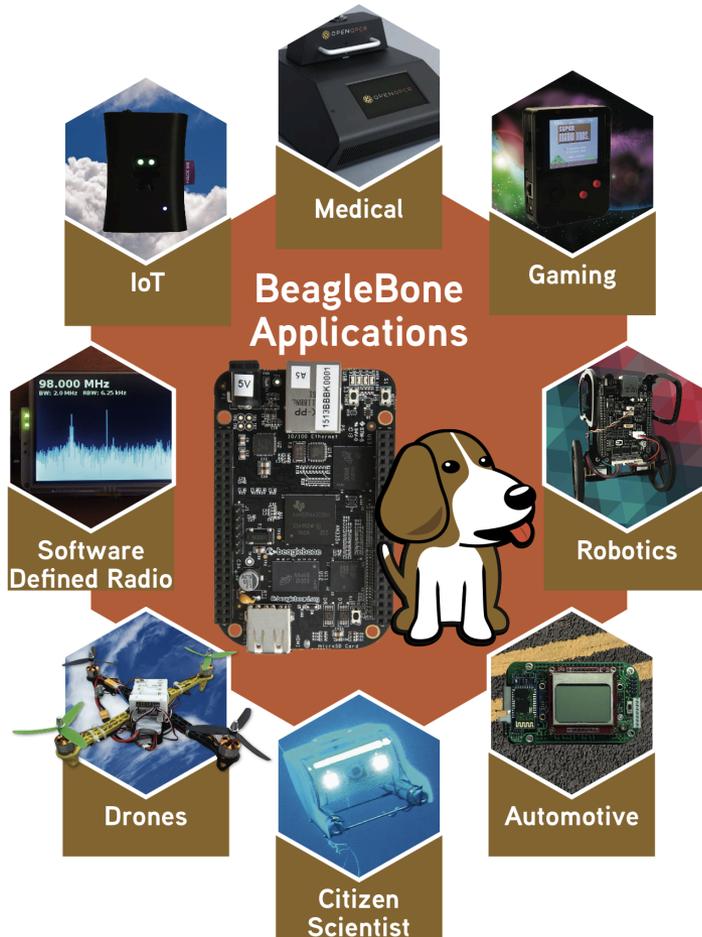
Zero install and exposes command-line

The screenshot displays the Cloud9 IDE interface in a web browser. The address bar shows the URL `192.168.3.25:3000/ide.html`. The interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, Find, View, Goto, Run, Tools, Window), a toolbar with 'Preview' and 'Run' buttons, and a user profile 'John Doe'. On the left, a 'Workspace' sidebar shows a file tree for a project named 'cloud9', with 'examples/blinkled.js' selected. The main editor area displays the following JavaScript code:

```
1 var b = require('bonescript');
2
3 var leds = ["USR0", "USR1", "USR2", "USR3", "P9_14"];
4
5 for(var i in leds) {
6   b.pinMode(leds[i], b.OUTPUT);
7 }
8
9 var state = b.LOW;
10 for(var i in leds) {
11   b.digitalWrite(leds[i], state);
12 }
13
14 setInterval(toggle, 1000);
15
16 function toggle() {
17   if(state == b.LOW) state = b.HIGH;
18   else state = b.LOW;
19   for(var i in leds) {
20     b.digitalWrite(leds[i], state);
21   }
22 }
23
```

At the bottom, a terminal window is open with the command `/examples/blinkled.js` and the runner `Node.js`. The terminal shows a 'Stop' button and a 'Restart' button.

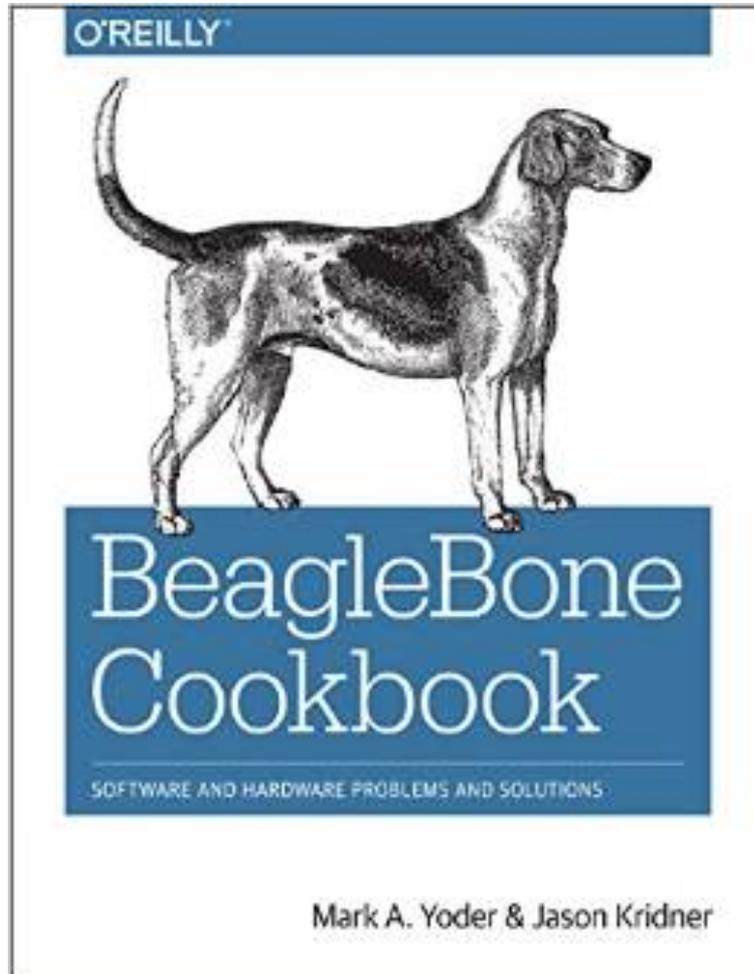
10,000s of developers building connected devices today



- Medical analysis, assistance and information management
- Home information, automation and security systems
- Home and mobile entertainment and educational systems
- New types of communications systems
- Personal robotic devices for cleaning, upkeep and manufacturing
- Remote presence and monitoring
- Automotive information management and control systems
- Personal environmental exploration and monitoring

BeagleBone Cookbook

<http://beagleboard.org/cookbook>



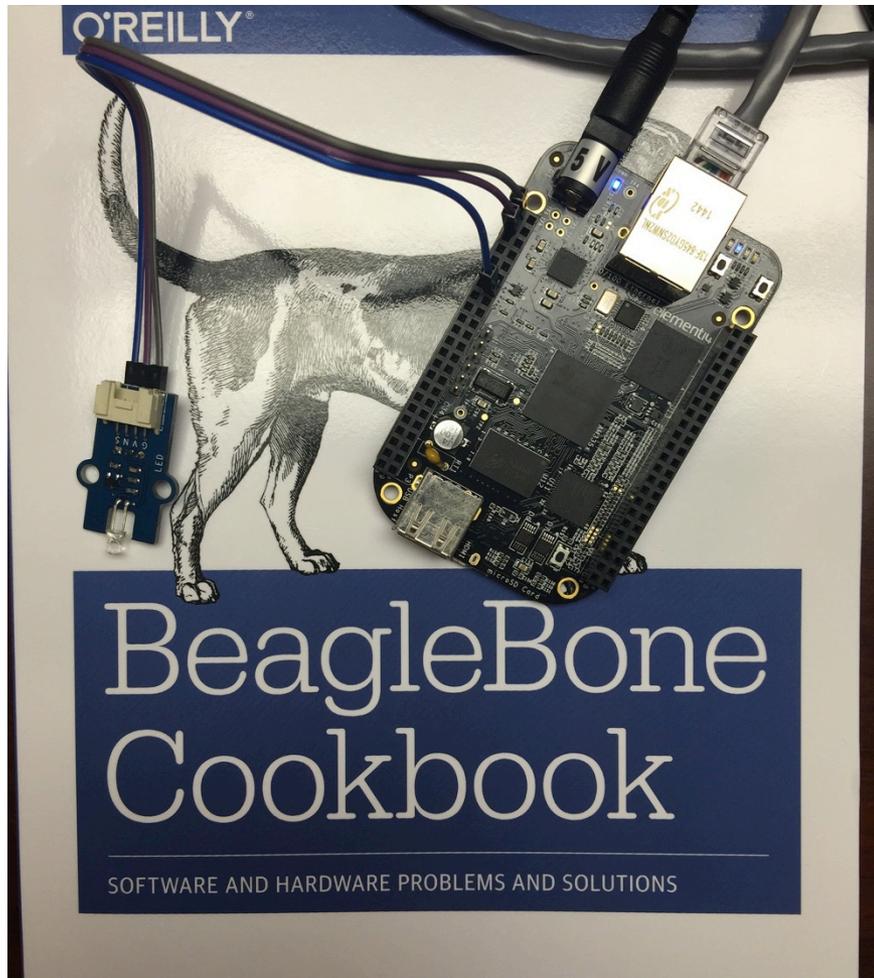
- 99 recipes covering
 - Basics
 - Sensors
 - Displays and outputs
 - Motors
 - Internet of things
 - Kernel
 - Real-time I/O
 - Capes

Prerequisites

- Connect to the board per recipe 1.2
 - <http://beagleboard.org/getting-started>
- Verify the software image per recipe 1.3 and potentially updating per recipe 1.9
 - <http://beagleboard.org/latest-images>
- Establish an Ethernet-based Internet connection per recipe 5.11 or a WiFi-based Internet connection per recipe 5.12
 - WiFi adapters: <http://bit.ly/1EbEwUo>

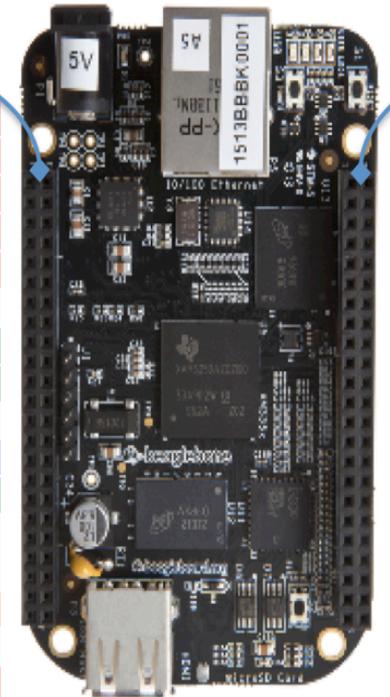
Connect an LED to GPIO P9_14

<http://beagleboard.org/Support/bone101/#headers>



P9

DGND	1	2	DGND
VDD_3V3	3	4	VDD_3V3
VDD_5V	5	6	VDD_5V
SYS_5V	7	8	SYS_5V
PWR_BUT	9	10	SYS_RESETN
UART4_RXD	11	12	GPIO_60
UART4_TXD	13	14	EHRPWM1A
GPIO_48	15	16	EHRPWM1B
SPIO_CS0	17	18	SPIO_D1
I2C2_SCL	19	20	I2C2_SDA
SPIO_DO	21	22	SPIO_SCLK
GPIO_49	23	24	UART1_TXD
GPIO_117	25	26	UART1_RXD
GPIO_115	27	28	SPI1_CS0
SPI1_DO	29	30	GPIO_112
SPI1_SCLK	31	32	VDD_ADC
AIN4	33	34	GNDA_ADC
AIN6	35	36	AIN5
AIN2	37	38	AIN3
AIN0	39	40	AIN1
GPIO_20	41	42	ECAPPWM0
DGND	43	44	DGND
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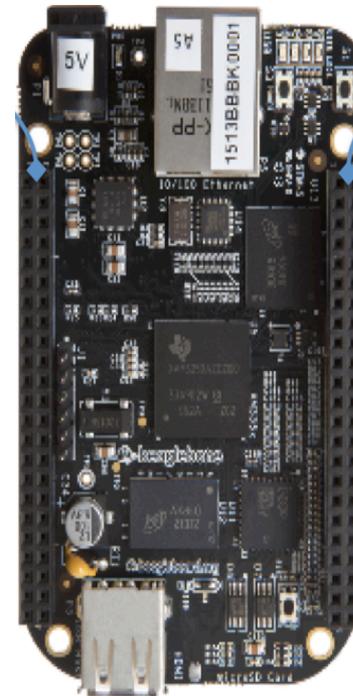
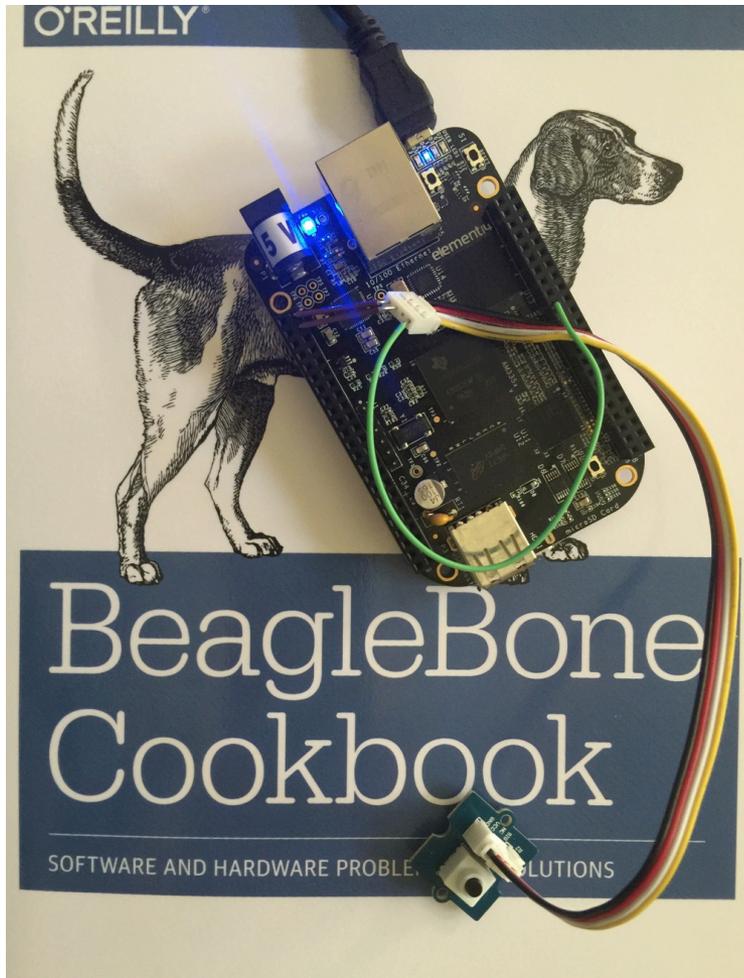


LEGEND

POWER/GROUND/RESET
AVAILABLE DIGITAL
AVAILABLE PWM
SHARED I2C BUS
RECONFIGURABLE DIGITAL
ANALOG INPUTS (1.8V)

Connect a button to GPIO P8_19

<http://beagleboard.org/Support/bone101/#headers>



P8

DGND	1	2	DGND
MMC1_DAT6	3	4	MMC1_DAT7
MMC1_DAT2	5	6	MMC1_DAT3
GPIO_66	7	8	GPIO_67
GPIO_69	9	10	GPIO_68
GPIO_45	11	12	GPIO_44
EHRPWM2B	13	14	GPIO_26
GPIO_47	15	16	GPIO_46
GPIO_27	17	18	GPIO_65
EHRPWM2A	19	20	MMC1_CMD
MMC1_CLK	21	22	MMC1_DAT5
MMC1_DAT4	23	24	MMC1_DAT1
MMC1_DAT0	25	26	GPIO_61
LCD_VSYNC	27	28	LCD_PCLK
LCD_HSYNC	29	30	LCD_AC_BIAS
LCD_DATA14	31	32	LCD_DATA15
LCD_DATA13	33	34	LCD_DATA11
LCD_DATA12	35	36	LCD_DATA10
LCD_DATA8	37	38	LCD_DATA9
LCD_DATA6	39	40	LCD_DATA7
LCD_DATA4	41	42	LCD_DATA5
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AVAILABLE PWM

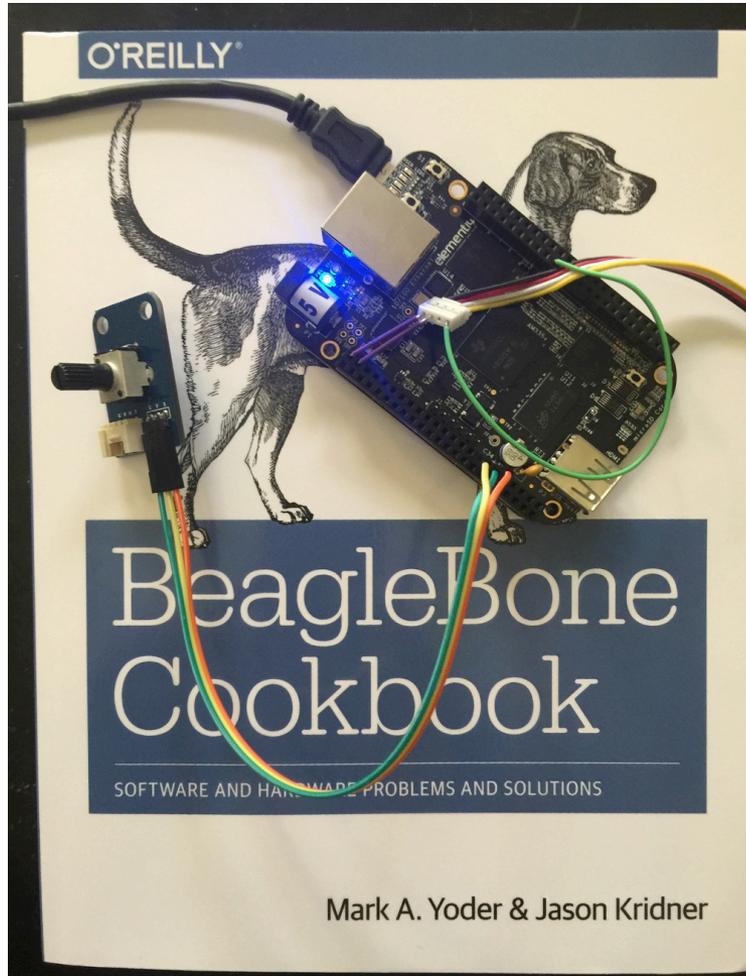
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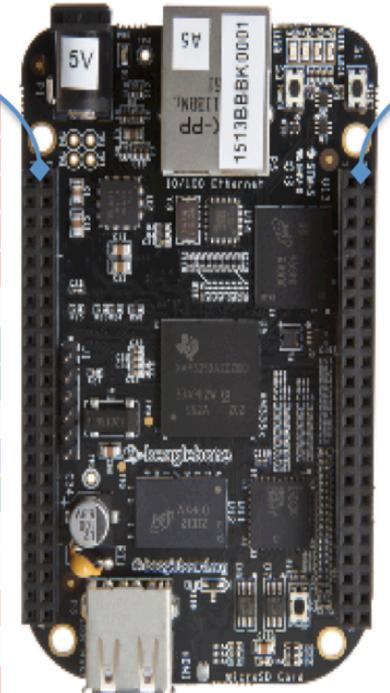
Connect a potentiometer to ADC P9_36

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Install and start Node-RED

- Installation is simple, but requires a network connection
- Installing the developer version has changed slightly with a build step, but it is easier just to install using 'npm'
- Requires a live Internet connection
- Steps to install and run from root prompt

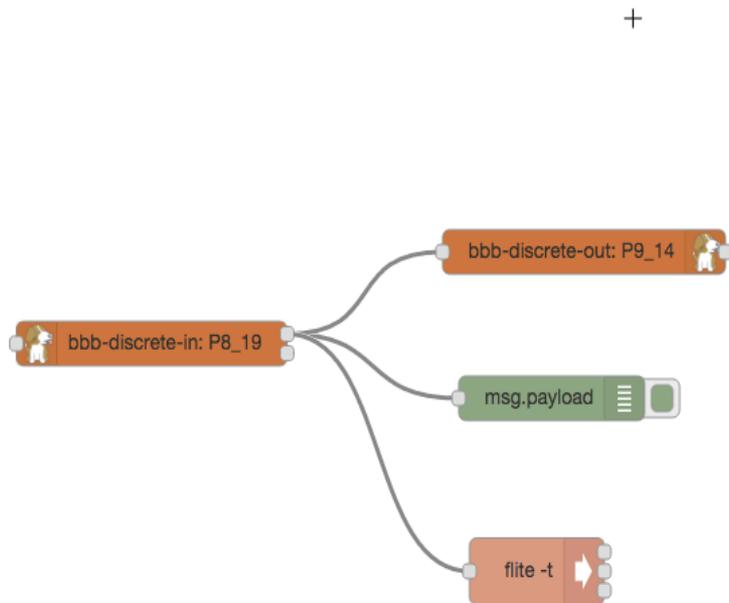
```
bone# npm install --unsafe-perm -g node-red@0.12.1
bone# node-red
```
- Add BeagleBone specific nodes

```
bone# cd ~/.node-red
bone# npm install node-red-node-beaglebone
```

Node-RED on port 1880

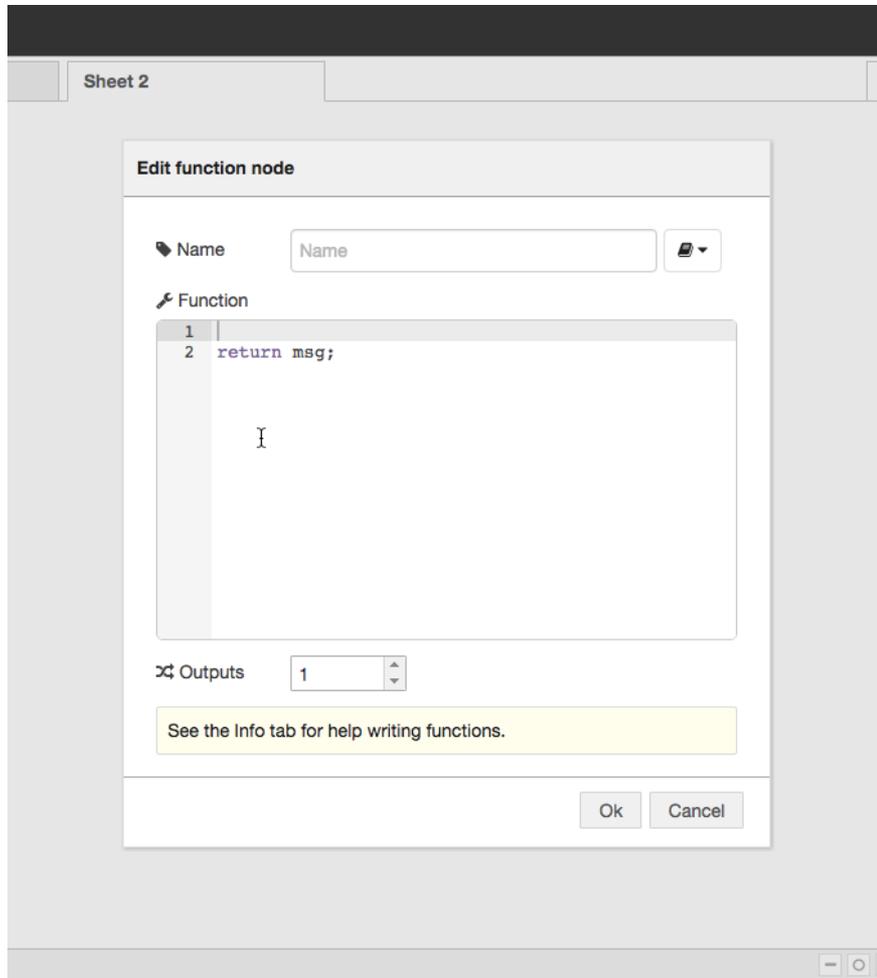
The screenshot displays the Node-RED web interface. At the top left, the Node-RED logo and name are visible. A search bar labeled "filter nodes" is present. The main workspace is titled "Sheet 1" and contains a single "+" symbol. On the left, the node palette is organized into "input" and "output" categories. The "input" category includes nodes for inject, catch, status, mqtt, http, websocket, tcp, udp, and serial. The "output" category includes nodes for debug, mqtt, http response, websocket, and tcp. On the right side, there are two tabs: "info" and "debug". The top right corner features a "Deploy" button and a menu icon. The bottom of the interface has zoom controls (minus, reset, plus) and a scroll bar.

Creating flows



- Drag nodes from the left side into the sheet to add them
- Configure the nodes
- Use debug nodes to test the outputs
- Be sure to click 'Deploy' to start the app

Functions add fun



- 'msg' is a JavaScript object
- 'msg' contains the element 'payload', which is what you most likely want to manipulate

More

- Learn more about Node-RED
 - <http://nodered.org>
- Shortcuts to updates and examples from the book
 - <http://beagleboard.org/cookbook>