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Note: A Note on DIY and the “Open” Part of OpenAPS

This is a set of development tools to support a self-driven DIY implementation. Any person choosing to use these tools is solely responsible for testing and implementing these tools independently or together as a system.

The DIY part of OpenAPS is important. While formal training or experience as an engineer or a developer is not a prerequisite, a growth mindset is required to learn to work with the “building blocks” that will help you develop your OpenAPS instance. Remember as you consider this project that this is not a “set and forget” system; an OpenAPS implementation requires diligent and consistent testing and monitoring to ensure each piece of the system is monitoring, predicting, and controlling as desired. The performance and quality of your system lies solely with you.

This community of contributors believes in “paying it forward,” and individuals who are implementing these tools are asked to contribute by asking questions, helping improve documentation, and contributing in other ways. Have questions? Hop into Gitter and ask anytime!

Danger: IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE

The foundation of OpenAPS safety features discussed in this documentation are built on the safety features of the hardware used to build your system. It is critically important that you only use a tested, fully functioning FDA or CE approved insulin pump and CGM for closing an automated insulin dosing loop. Hardware or software modifications to these components can cause unexpected insulin dosing, causing significant risk to the user. If you find or get offered broken, modified or self-made insulin pumps or CGM receivers, do not use these for creating an OpenAPS system.

Additionally, it is equally important to only use original supplies such as inserters, cannulas and insulin containers approved by the manufacturer for use with your pump or CGM. Using untested or modified supplies can cause CGM inaccuracy and insulin dosing errors. Insulin is highly dangerous when misdosed - please do not play with your life by hacking with your supplies.
How do you make decisions about your diabetes? You gather data, crunch the numbers, and take action. A DIY loop is no different. It gathers data from:

- your pump
- your CGM
- any other place you log information, like Nightscout

It then uses this information to do the math and decide how your basal rates might need to be adjusted (above or below your underlying basal rate), to adjust and eventually keep or bring your BGs into your target range.

### 1.1 How does your closed loop gather data?

With OpenAPS, there is a “rig” that is a physical piece of hardware. It has “brains” on the computer chip to do the math; plus a radio stick to communicate with your pump; plus it can talk to your phone and to the cloud via wifi to gather additional information, plus report to the world about what it’s doing.

The rig needs to:

- communicate with the pump and read history - what insulin has been delivered
- communicate with the CGM (either directly, or via the cloud) - to see what BGs are/ have been doing

The rig runs a series of commands to collect this data, runs it through the algorithm and does the decision-making math based on the settings (ISF, carb ratio, DIA, target, etc.) in your pump.

### 1.2 But how does it do everything it needs to do to gather data and make decisions and tell the pump what to do?

When you build an OpenAPS rig, you run through the setup described in this documentation, and:
• physically put the pieces of your rig together
• load the open source software on it
• configure it to talk to YOUR devices and have your information and safety settings on it (based on your preferences)

The open source software is designed to make it easy for the computer to do the work you used to do to calculate what needs to be done. It runs a series of reports to collect data from all the devices and places. Then it prepares the data and runs the calculations. Then it attempts to communicate and send any necessary adjustments to your pump. Then it reads the data back, and does it over and over again. You can see what it’s doing in the logs of the rig, or by viewing the information on your watch or on Nightscout.
CHAPTER 2

How you will build your rig

The OpenAPS setup process can be broken up into several parts:
As with all things new, there is a little bit of a learning curve to building your first OpenAPS rig. Read slowly, double-check your spelling and make sure you don’t skip steps. If you get stuck or are unsure, you can use the screenshots to compare how the resulting screens should look. You can also post to Gitter or Facebook to ask for specific help if you find yourself stuck.

Over time, you may also choose to enable advanced features or update your rig, as more features and algorithm improvements become available. You should make sure to stay plugged in to key channels (like openaps-dev google group; Looped on Facebook; and on Twitter by following @OpenAPS) so you can be aware when updates become available. You should also make sure to tell us when you’ve closed your loop, which includes notes on how to join the safety-critical announcement list in case we need to alert you to any safety-related changes or updates.

### 2.1 What you’ll see in this guide

- Wherever you see text that is formatted like this, it is usually a code snippet. You should copy and paste instead of attempting to type this out; this will save you debugging time for finding your typos.
- Wherever there are `<bracketed_components>`, these are meant for you to insert your own information. Most of the time, it doesn’t matter what you choose as long as you stay consistent throughout this guide. That means if you choose `myopenaps` as your `<myopenaps>` directory, you must use `myopenaps` every time you see `<myopenaps>`. Choose carefully when naming things so it’s easy to remember. Do not include the `< >` brackets in your name.
There are several ways to communicate with other participants and contributors in the #OpenAPS project. See also the Resources section for additional assistance.

Note: It’s best practice not to share your pump’s serial number, so make sure not to include it in pictures or pasted text output when seeking help on pump communication. Ditto for Nightscout URL and API secret and other private information that could enable someone to access your setup.

Related: You may want to read this blog post for tips on how to best seek help when troubleshooting online - there is a lot of information you can provide proactively when seeking help that will aid in getting your issue resolved more quickly.

3.1 Read the documentation!

One huge resource is this documentation. We recommend bookmarking the link to the docs, as they are frequently updated (sometimes daily!) as we add more information, troubleshooting tips, and more. Anytime we are asked a question on one of the below channels, we try to add it to the documentation. So chances are, your question may already be answered here!

3.1.1 Tips for navigating the documentation

You may notice that the left hand side of the documentation has navigation. It is organized in order of setting up OpenAPS, and has various sections on finding your gear; what you should do before you build a rig; how to setup your rig; and additional features and tips and tricks for optimizing your looping setup. This navigation is long, you can mouse over the section and scroll down to see all the pages listed in the top-level navigation!

Click here to expand some pictures that shows you the left hand navigation
Chapter 3. Where to go for help

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Pre-flashed edison: Explorer Board rig: cables (you may already have 2 good data cables); battery

DO setup NS if you haven’t.

Basic physical rig stuff to know

Some will go overhead for now. Don’t let it freak you out. But read in advance, so when you start looping, you can come back and have a baseline idea of what you’ll be doing.

Get a feel for offline vs. online monitoring (aka when you do and don’t have cellphone service)

Again - read in advance, will help when you get setup to know what you want to enable or not right away. You can always come back and turn other stuff on, but this is a key page to read, re-read, and bookmark.

This whole section is other useful stuff - bluetooth tethering, advanced feature explanation, etc. You don’t need to pre-read it unless you want to, but know there’s a lot of good stuff here for after you get your basic loop up and running!

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You’ll also notice that there is more content than just these high-level pages! If you click on a link in the left, many of them expand to show the sub-sections include, which make it easy to jump directly to the section you’re looking for. If there is a +, that means there is more content you can expand.
3.1.2 The docs also have their own search function!

See the top left of the docs for the search box. It’s helpful to search *inside* the documentation itself, rather than Google, because you’ll stay inside the most up to date version of the documentation. You may want to try a different word or shorter phrase if you don’t get any results for your search phrase, as we may have worded a section differently.

3.2 Slack

There is a Slack channel that you can add yourself to - then look for the #OpenAPS channel to post questions. That slack can also be used to stay up to date on other, broader DIY diabetes projects such as communication around other pumps that are being explored and worked on, but aren’t yet DIY loopable.

3.3 Gitter

Gitter is a messaging/chat service similar to IRC. It provides integration with GitHub and several other services. It’s the best place to get real-time support with anything related to OpenAPS. (Here’s why we often recommend asking questions on Gitter.)

- The nightscout/intend-to-bolus channel is where you will find active #OpenAPS discussions ranging from technical issues with openaps tools to control theory to general information. It is a great place to introduce yourself and get some help from those who are a few steps further down the road.
- For Autotune conversations, use the openaps/autotune channel

Click here to expand a list of tips for using Gitter, from using the search function to tagging someone to posting screenshots or posting logs

**Search** Gitter has a search function to find old information, but since it isn’t threaded conversations, you may need to spend some time reading the posts after the search result to find the ultimate resolution to the question. So, if you find a particularly useful bit of information that you couldn’t find in the docs...please make a [PR to the docs](https://github.com/aps-open/openaps) so that the information is permanently stored for others to find.

**Tag/mention someone** Tag someone! You can tag particular people if you are responding to them directly by using the @ symbol and then typing their username. This will help notify the person that you are “speaking to them”. If someone asks you for information that shouldn’t be shared in the public channel, you can also private message people by hovering over their profile picture and choosing the “chat privately” button. Please do not abuse the tagging or PM features: most questions are best asked untagged in the appropriate channel, so that anyone can respond to them as soon as they read Gitter and see the question. There are people from all over the world online at all hours who can help with most kinds of questions, and the core developers usually read every message in Gitter a few times per day and try to answer any questions that got missed.
Posting photos or screenshots in Gitter

Gitter has a mobile app which works great for posting text, but does not allow for posting images directly. If you need to post a photo using the mobile app, you’ll have to host your photo file somewhere like Dropbox and post the link to the file location.

Using the desktop application, you can simply drag and drop the file into the Gitter chat window. The file will upload and then display in the chat thread after a short period of time to upload.

Posting logs

Posting copy-paste code from your rig is also another valuable activity for troubleshooting. To post a single line of information, you can use the single-backtick-quote that is found on the key to the left of the number 1 key on the keyboard. (hint: it is under the ~ on the same key). You can also long-press the single quote key on your iPhone keypad to bring up the single-backtick-quote that will work in Gitter. If you start and stop a portion of your text with those single quotes, it will look like this.

Posting multiple lines of copy-paste from your rig will also sometimes be needed. You can do that by:

- start a single line of 3 single quotes (the same one we used in the example above)
- press control-enter to get a new line started
- paste the lines of code that you want to post
- press control-enter again to get another new line
- enter 3 single quotes to end the section

The copy-pasted lines should have 3 backticks on the line above and the line below. The example below shows, on the bottom, how the formatted text yielded the black box of text in Gitter. Using this format helps troubleshooters read your information easier than unformatted copy and paste.
3.4 Facebook

There are multiple DIY closed loop groups on Facebook.

- Everyone in the community is welcome to join the Looped Group. All DIY closed loop users (OpenAPS, AndroidAPS, etc.) chat here. You will need to request membership for the group and respond to a message from the group administrators prior to joining.

There are also numerous country-specific Facebook groups. You will still want to join the main Looped group, but country-specific groups may be helpful regarding local-specific details about access to hardware, supplies, etc. Similar to Looped, you will need to request membership for the group and respond to a message from the group administrators prior to joining any of these groups.

- UK, join Looped UK.
• Germany, join Looped-DE.
• Australia, join Aussie, Aussie, Aussie, Loop, Loop, Loop.
• New Zealand, join Aotearoa DIY Artificial Pancreas Society.

3.5 Issues on GitHub

One of the above channels is the best place for real-time or near-time troubleshooting. However, you may occasionally stumble across a new bug or edge case that we want to work on resolving. If you’re asked to “create an issue”, that usually means going to the oref0 repository on Github and logging an issue there. (You may also be asked to create issues for the openaps toolkit or decocare, etc. but usually it’s oref0 related.)

3.6 Other online forums

Those in the #OpenAPS community are frequently found in other forums, such as on Twitter (using the #OpenAPS hashtag, as well as #WeAreNotWaiting) and on Facebook in the “CGM In The Cloud” and “Looped” group.

3.7 Google Group - everyone is welcome to join!

A google group focused on #OpenAPS development work can be found here. You can add yourself directly to the group. It’s worth setting your preferences to receive all email from the group; there’s not a huge volume. However, please note that troubleshooting questions about rig setups are best posted to Slack or Gitter - email tends to be slower and you will likely be redirected to another channel if you’re actively working to resolve a setup problem.
This section describes the hardware components required for a ‘typical’ OpenAPS implementation. There are numerous variations and substitutions that can be made but the following items are recommended for getting started.

The basic setup requires:

• a compatible insulin pump
• a CGM
• a small computer (Intel Edison, or Raspberry Pi for example) and a radio board/stick (i.e. Explorer Board for Edison or Explorer HAT for Pi)
• a battery

If you come across something that doesn’t seem to work, is no longer available, or if you have a notable alternative, feel free to edit this documentation with your suggestions.

4.1 Notes about deprecated hardware setups

Carelink can be used with up to oref0 0.6.3. However, it will not be used with oref0 0.7.0 moving forward. Carelink has poor range and will likely frustrate you. Please see the rig parts page for current hardware recommendations.

TI sticks (via USB) are not supported in oref0 0.7.0, but they can be wired to the SPI or UART pins on the Raspberry Pi. Please see the rig parts page for documentation on how to do this.
CHAPTER 5

Information about compatible insulin pumps

Can I close the loop with my pump?

Which pump do you have?
- Medtronic
- Tandem T:Slim
- OmniPod
- Animas

Which model?
- Medtronic: 670G/640G
- Tandem T:Slim: 2.x or lower
- Animas: 640G
- OmniPod: 3.x

Will it work with OpenAPS?
- Yes
- No, but
- No

What do I do next?
- Go to OpenAPS.org
- Check the latest OpenAPS community information on the TIQ community
- Call Medtronic, Tandem or Animas
- Consider joining a Slack channel for a wider group of users

Build a Delta-loop-based system
- Note: This does not require any additional components, just a T1Q system with a PIV (Pump Information & Verification) sensor that can be used to build a closed-loop system
- Never disable your insulin pump in case something goes wrong
- Always have a backup plan

DIY
As you can see from the flowchart above, most of the commercial pumps currently available are not compatible with OpenAPS; only a small selection of older Medtronic pumps are compatible. For those pumps which are not compatible, we suggest the advocacy option of calling the pump manufacturer and informing them of the need for availability of pumps for DIY closed looping systems. Thus far, there has not been a receptive pump company to these requests. Omnipod, Animas, T-Slim, and newer Medtronic pumps are still not compatible.

Currently, only the following Medtronic MiniMed models allow us to remotely set temporary basal rate commands, which is required to do OpenAPS:

- 512/712 (all firmware)
- 515/715 (all firmware)
- 522/722 (all firmware)
- 523/723 (with firmware 2.4A or lower)
- 554/754 (European Veo, with firmware 2.6A or lower; OR Canadian Veo with firmware 2.

**NOTE:** For European/WorldWide users who have access to a DANA*R/RS, Roche Accu-chek Combo or Roche Accu-chek Insight insulin pump, you may be able to use AndroidAPS, which leverages OpenAPS’s oref0 algorithm but allows you to interface using an Android phone and Bluetooth to communicate directly with the DANA*R/DANA*RS/Roche Accu-chek Combo/Insight pump. See here for instructions and details related to AndroidAPS.

### 5.1 How to check pump firmware (check for absence of PC Connect)

The firmware version will briefly display after the initial count-up on a new battery insertion. After the pump has been on for a while, you can check the firmware version by using the Esc button on the pump and scroll all the way to the bottom of the screen messages using the down arrow on pump.

A double-check for pump compatibility is to look for the ABSENCE of PC connect in the pump menu. Press the ACT button, scroll down to the “Utilities” menu.

- If there is a “Connect Devices” menu look for a “PC Connect” option.
  - This is the case for the 523/723 and 554/754 models.
  - If “PC Connect” is present, then the pump will NOT work for looping.
  - If “PC Connect” is absent, then the pump should be able to receive temp basal commands and be compatible.
- If there is no “Connect Devices” menu, then the pump should be able to receive temp basal commands and be compatible.
  - This is the case for the 512/712, the 515/715 and 522/722 models.
  - For 512/712 pumps, you will not be able to use an advanced feature (SMB) but will be able to do basic temp-basal based looping.

Note that not all possible sellers of pumps will accurately describe the model number; if they are willing to sell a pump they may not have interest in setting it up for looping, and the distinctions about model numbers and firmware version may not be important to them. It will be for you though! Therefore, it’s prudent to verify the model by seeing pictures and/or videos of the pump in action.

If you have one of the above mentioned pumps, but it has buttons that do not work, use the instructions found on this Imgur photo album to repair your pump. This repair is quite straight-forward and easy.
5.2 Why do I need a certain pump firmware?

Due to changes in the firmware, the openaps tools are only able to function in-full on the above pump models. Security features were added after firmware v2.4 in the US that prevent making some remote adjustments via the decoded communications OpenAPS uses.

If you are not based in the US, some later model pumps and firmware may be compatible as listed above. Check for PC Connect absence to determine compatibility.

5.3 Can I downgrade my pump firmware?

One of the most frequently asked questions is “I have a 723 pump but it has version 2.5B software version. Has anyone figured out a way to make newer model Medronic pumps compatible? Like flash older version of software onto my 723 2.5B pump?” The answer is “No. The ability to downgrade software versions in the pumps does not exist. It has been investigated and nobody has made any successful progress to that end.”

5.4 Tips for finding a compatible pump

If you need to acquire a compatible pump, check CraigsList, ask around local or pay-it-forward Facebook groups, or talk to friends in your local community to see if there are any old pumps lying around in their closets gathering dust. SearchTempest is a great tool for searching Craigslist nationally all at once. In addition to searching for listings, consider posting an offer to Craigslist or ask around local community groups.

If you’re buying a pump online, we recommend you ask the seller to confirm the firmware version of the pump. (You may also want to consider asking for a video of the pump with working functionality before purchasing.)

Other purchasing tips (click here to expand):

- Use Paypal and purchase using the “Goods and Services” payment option. This costs nothing for the buyer, but the seller will lose 2.95% of the sale to Paypal fees. Paypal offers some protection for both buyer and seller in the event of fraud.

- Ask for photos of the pump. Check to make sure the serial number of the pump on the backside matches the serial number of the pump showing in the display menu. Ask for a short video of the pump, or at least a photo of the pump turned on, so that you can see the pump’s firmware and model number. Cracks and some wear on these pumps is expected...these pumps are not usually free of any marks. Many people are successfully looping on pumps that have cracks and rub marks...but you may want to ask if you are concerned about any you see.

- Ask for shipping that includes a tracking number. USPS Priority Mail’s smallest box is a great option. It’s only $7.15 and includes tracking. Ask the seller to add a small bit of packing protection such as bubble wrap around the pump to keep it safe during shipping. Make sure you get a tracking number within a reasonable period of time after you have paid.

Red flags that may indicate a scam:

- Asking for payment through “friends and family” on Paypal, especially if you don’t know the person or have any solid references for them. Paying in that way offers you no buyer protection. It’s just like giving the seller cash, so you had better trust the seller.

- Offering an “almost new” pump is a big red flag. These pumps should be at least 5 years old by now. Do you really think a 5 year old pump should be unused and sitting in shrink wrap at this point? Seems highly suspicious.

- Not able to provide new pictures of the pump when requested. Sure they posted some pictures with the ad, but what if they just downloaded them from other people’s ads? The seller should be able to furnish a couple “new”
photos are your request. A good one to ask for is the battery and reservoir tops so you can see the condition of those.

5.5 Word of warning: Pump repairs rendering pumps useless for looping

If you need to send your pump away to Medtronic for repair, be aware that during the repair process the firmware will get upgraded. This makes your pump not usable for looping. Ask the community if you run into a pump error - the community has tips for solving several common pump errors.

5.6 Tips for longer battery life

If you are new to looping, one of the first things you will notice is that you will go through batteries very quickly. Even known good alkaline batteries may only last a few days of 24/7 looping. Many OpenAPS users recommend Energizer Ultimate Lithium batteries. These should last a week or more. Just ensure you use the correct settings if you are using NightScout - see here for details about alert settings in Nightscout for the different battery types
Information about compatible CGMs

OpenAPS currently primarily supports these different CGM systems:

- the Dexcom G4 Platinum system (with or without the Share functionality),
- the Dexcom G5 system
- the Dexcom G6 system
- the older Medtronic CGM system (MiniMed Paradigm REAL-Time Revel or Enlite),
- and other CGM or CGM-like devices (Abbott’s FreeStyle Libre) if the data is uploaded to Nightscout and the OpenAPS rig has Internet connectivity.

6.1 Using a Dexcom CGM

With Dexcom G4, the Share platform is not required; but is valuable for uploading BG data to the cloud (and into Nightscout, which can then send BGs to the rig). However, without Share, a G4 receiver can instead be plugged in directly to the OpenAPS rig. For Dexcom G5 you can also use a compatible receiver (software upgraded G4 with Share receiver or a G5 Mobile Receiver), or also pull data from the Dexcom Share servers into Nightscout for use with an Internet-connected OpenAPS rig. The same applies for G6 as it does for a G5.

Also note that an easy way to loop offline is to choose the `xdrip-js` setup option during `oref0-setup` (in 0.7.0 and later versions) to have the rig pull directly from a G5 or G6 receiver.

6.2 Using the Medtronic CGM

As the Medtronic pump collects data directly from the Enlite sensors, OpenAPS will retrieve CGM data in addition to your regular pump data from your pump. This CGM setup means you can loop offline without any extra setup steps.
6.3 Pulling CGM data from the cloud

Your OpenAPS implementation can also pull CGM data from a Nightscout site in addition to pulling from the CGM directly, when your rig has internet connectivity. You can find more documentation about pulling CGM data from a Nightscout site [here].

- If you have an Android phone, you can use the xDrip app to get your data from the Dexcom to Nightscout, to then be used in OpenAPS.

- If you have a Dexcom G4 Share receiver or Dexcom G5/G6 paired with your phone, you can send that data to Nightscout to be used by OpenAPS.

- You could also build a DIY receiver. Directions to build the receiver, set up your uploader and Nightscout can be found [here].

- You can also use part of the DIY receiver set up - the wixel – directly to the Raspberry Pi. Learn more about the wixel setup [here] and [here].

- If you are using Abbott Freestyle Libre in combination with Sony SmartWatch 3 and xdrip+ (or possibly other combinations of technology to get Libre data up into the cloud), you can also pull CGM data directly from Nightscout.

6.4 Offline looping options

See this page for much more detail on all of your offline looping options with various CGM types.
Get your rig hardware

You have several options for hardware:

1. The most recommended rig has been an Edison + Explorer Board. Unfortunately Intel stopped making the Edison boards as of 2018. If you can find an Intel Edison (eBay, local stores, etc - this is still very possible), this is still a highly recommended rig. It is the smallest rig (and easily portable), with better battery life because it is power efficient. See below for the list of hardware for Edison setups.

2. Another recommended option is a Raspberry Pi-based setup, with the new Explorer HAT. This rig setup makes it easier to see information when offline because it has an onboard screen for displaying readouts. See below for the list of hardware required for Pi/HAT setups.

3. Yet another option is a Raspberry Pi-based setup, with an Adafruit RFM69HCW Bonnet. This rig setup makes it easier to see information when offline because it has a small onboard screen for displaying readouts, but it does not come with charging hardware for a battery like the Explorer HAT or Explorer Board. You will need to build your own charging circuit or use a USB power block if you want to make this rig portable. However, this makes an excellent stationary or backup rig! See below for the list of hardware required for Pi/Bonnet setups.

4. (Not recommended, but supported) There is an experimental alternative to prefabricated hardware on the Raspberry Pi (Explorer HAT or Adafruit Bonnet), which can serve as the radio on a Pi-based rig, but will not have the screen and requires you to solder. See below for the list of hardware required for more details on a setup with RFM69HCW breakout board.

5. (Not recommended, but supported) If you already have a USB TI stick (from an older rig build), you can continue using it in 0.7.0 if you reflash it with new firmware and wire it to the SPI header on the Raspberry Pi. See below for the instructions on how to re-flash and re-wire your TI stick.

7.1 Hardware information for Pi-based setups with the Explorer HAT

Summary of what you need for a Pi/HAT rig:

- Explorer HAT
OpenAPS Documentation, Release 0.0.0

- Pi0WH (recommended) or Pi 3
- Battery
- SD Card

### 7.1.1 HAT:

As of April 2018, there is be a Pi+HAT rig as an option for closing the loop with OpenAPS. The HAT can be ordered from the same place that makes the Explorer Board (click here to pre-order). We call it the “Explorer HAT”, to differentiate from the Explorer “Board” that goes with the Edison (see below).

### 7.1.2 PI

You also need a Raspberry Pi. Many users are opting for the “Raspberry Pi Zero WH” - with headers - so you don’t have to solder, and can simply add the HAT onto the Pi. See this PiZeroWH from Adafruit, or from other sellers around the world.

As an alternative, you can also use the HAT with a Raspberry Pi 2/3/4.

### 7.1.3 Battery

Lipo batteries are typically used to power the rig on the go because they charge quickly and come in a variety of compact sizes. When choosing a battery, you have a trade-off between a larger battery with longer duration or a smaller battery with shorter duration that is easier to carry around. A 2000 mah battery is roughly the size of the Raspberry Pi0, and can last around 4 hours. You’ll want a “1S” type, which uses a single cell and outputs at 3.7 VDC. It needs a JST connector to plug into the Raspberry Pi. See this battery from HobbyKing.

If you will need to run longer than that while unplugged from wall power, consider a portable charger. These are in widespread use for cell phones and commonly available in a large number of sizes. Here is an example portable charger from Amazon. Using a USB to micro-USB adapter you can power the rig from the portable charger by plugging the charger into the Power port, which is the micro-USB port nearest the corner of the Pi0.

**Note:** You will probably want to underclock your Raspberry Pi to get a longer battery life. See this for details.

### 7.1.4 SD card

An 8 GB SD card should provide plenty of space for the linux operating system, OpenAPS code and storage for log files. The ability to use larger and removable storage is one of the advantages of the Raspberry Pi. You can get a MicroSD card and adapter from Adafruit when you order your Pi and Hat. Or you can get an equivalent 8 GB SD card from Amazon or other sellers.

### 7.1.5 Note about Pi+HAT cases

Because we are still optimizing the software to be as power-efficient as possible, we have not narrowed down on the best recommended battery. You may want to use a soft case for ease of access to the components, flexible arrangement and the ability to use a variety of battery sizes. If you are using the 2000 mAh battery above, you can use this 3d printed hard case to protect the rig and battery in a relatively compact package. The design is built in OnShape, which has a free access level subscription for public domain documents. You can make a copy and tweak the design to your liking.

Alternatives 3d printed cases for Pi0+HAT include this hard case with room for 2x2000 mAh Li-Po batteries and this hard case with room for 2x18650 batteries (6800 mAh total, 86x77x25mm).
7.2 Hardware information for Pi-based setups with RFM69HCW (experimental)

This Pi + RFM69HCW is still experimental!

If you are a maker person or a bit into soldering electronics at least, you may also build your rig with a piece of hardware, that is a lot cheaper than the Explorer HAT, although it does not have the screen. You also won’t have LEDs indicating status, no battery charging and there will not be (m)any 3d printable case models. If it’s your only option because you’re on a budget and can’t afford to spend 150 bucks on a rig, please think about this step twice. This one will cost you only 30, but a lot of extra time.

Click here to expand and see pictures of a rig with a Pi0WH and RFM69HCW:
7.2. Hardware information for Pi-based setups with RFM69HCW (experimental)
Here’s a rough-and-ready budget version of a rig put together: contents of a 2000mAh powerbank, a plastic housing, a micro USB cable and some more soldering and hot glue. BE AWARE that this case will most likely overheat the Pi after a while. You need to at least drill some venting holes into the lid.
7.2. Hardware information for Pi-based setups with RFM69HCW (experimental)
7.2.1 Summary of what you need:

- Raspberry Pi Zero
- RFM69HCW
- microSD Card
- Bread board
- Jumper wires
- Soldering iron
- Power source via Micro USB

7.2.2 The Raspberry Pi Zero

For this setup, you want a Raspberry Pi Zero WH. (The “H” means it has Header pins). (Also, a regular Raspberry Pi 3 model B works fine.)
7.2.3 RFM69HCW

You can buy this board e.g. here, but you can really buy it wherever you want. These boards are, like the RPi Zero, very common. Just make sure you get the right frequency. 868/915 MHz is correct. All others are wrong.

7.2.4 Breadboard

Any breadboard will do, no special requirements.

7.2.5 Soldering

You need to solder the pin stripe into the RFM69HCW. Insert the pin stripe from the bottom of the board, with the short endings reaching through the holes. Fixate a bit, so you can rest the soldering iron tip on the pins and the board. Solder the included pin stripe diligently into the 9 holes named VIN GND EN G0 SCK MISO MOSI CS RST

Cut an antenna at your preferred length corresponding to your frequency. This can be a simple piece of isolated, unshielded wire. (I simply took one of the jumper wires for my first try.) Calculate your length here: https://m0ukd.com/calculators/quarter-wave-ground-plane-antenna-calculator/ and just use the value from A (first green box). This should be the length of your antenna, from the soldering point on the board to the tip.

Solder it to the board. It’s the hole near the “o” from Radio. Make sure to not connect the soldering to the ground plates left and right from the hole. This antenna is really only connected to the one hole.

This is your connection scheme for the RPi to RFM69HCW. Stick the RFM69HCW on a bread board, and connect:

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See more info here.

After that, you’re ready to install OpenAPS.

7.3 Hardware information for Pi-based setups with the Adafruit RHM69HCW Bonnet

Summary of what you need for a Pi/Bonnet rig:

- Explorer HAT
- Pi0WH (recommended) or Pi 3
- Antenna
- SD Card
7.3.1 Bonnet:

There is a Pi+Bonnet rig as an option for closing the loop with OpenAPS. This hardware is available from Adafruit, and is called the Adafruit RFM69HCW Transceiver Radio Bonnet - 868 or 915 MHz - RadioFruit. As of October 2019, this hardware is supported via automated setup via oref0-setup.sh.

7.3.2 PI

You also need a Raspberry Pi. Many users are opting for the “Raspberry Pi Zero WH” - with headers - so you don’t have to solder, and can simply add the HAT onto the Pi. See this PiZeroWH from Adafruit, or from other sellers around the world.

As an alternative, you can also use the bonnet with a Raspberry Pi 2/3/4.

7.3.3 Antenna

The bonnet does not come with an antenna, so you will need to purchase (or make) one. The end connector needs to be of the u.fl type, and the antenna length that you need will be determined by the frequency on which that your pump operates. The following antennas work well for either 868MHz (WW) or 915MHz (NA):

- Slim Sticker-type GSM/Cellular Quad-Band Antenna - 3dBi uFL
- 900Mhz Antenna Kit - For LoPy, LoRa, etc

7.3.4 SD card

An 8 GB SD card should provide plenty of space for the Linux operating system, OpenAPS code and storage for log files. The ability to use larger and removable storage is one of the advantages of the Raspberry Pi. You can get a MicroSD card and adapter from Adafruit when you order your Pi and Hat. Or you can get an equivalent 8 GB SD card from Amazon or other sellers.

7.3.5 Optional - case for the bonnet

There is one 3D printable case available on thingiverse, where Raspberry Pi Zero fits with the bonnet.

7.4 Hardware information for Pi-based setups with rewired TI-stick

This hardware setup is not recommended unless you already have a USB TI stick and want to continue using it with 0.7.0. This part of the documentation is a work-in-progress and as of 11/9/2019 not fully tested – if you can help with this, we would appreciate it very much!

You will need a CC-Debugger to re-flash your TI stick with an SPI-compatible firmware, located here. Any of the v0.8 spi1_alt2 versions should work.

You will also need jumpers to wire your TI stick to the Raspberry Pi’s GPIO header in the following configuration:
SPI0 CS0 (Pi pin 24) -> debug pin 5
SPI0 CLK (Pi pin 23) -> debug pin 6
SPI0 MISO (Pi pin 21) -> debug pin 10
SPI0 MOSI (Pi pin 19) -> debug pin 8
any Pi 3.3V pin -> debug pin 2
any Pi ground pin -> debug pin 1
GPIO 4 (Pi pin 7) -> debug pin 7

When prompted in oref0-setup.sh, you will need to select the “TI Stick (SPI-connected)” option.

7.5 Hardware information for Intel Edison-based setups

The high level parts list (see below for more details, and links):

- Explorer Board Block
- Edison
- Nuts and Bolts to attach the Edison to the Explorer Board Block
- At least one Lithium battery
- 2 USB cables

7.5.1 Explorer Board Block

The recommended board to use is the Explorer Board Block, which was co-designed by this community. It also has the benefits of a built-in radio. It’s only available from Hamshield/Enhanced Radio Devices.

7.5.2 Edison

There are 4 types of Edison’s. All of them work, but Versions 3 and 4 require an extra antenna, so 1 and 2 are preferred (1-EDI2.LPON, 2-EDI2.SPON, 3-EDI2.LPOF, and 4-EDI2.SPOF). If the seller does not specify the Edison model/version, you can see from the picture whether or not it has a white ceramic antenna in the corner. If it does not, then it will require an external antenna, but that version is fairly rare.

- Option 1 - Buy it from places like Ebay, Craigslist, or your nearest store - and follow the instructions to flash it.
  - You may need to hunt for an Edison as supplies of them are dwindling - if you get it as part of a “kit” (i.e. breakoutboard + Edison), keep in mind you’ll still need to get the Explorer Board Block from Hamshield.
  - Note: If you are doing Option 1 (an Edison from wherever you can find it) - you are getting an UN-FLASHED Edison. Not a big deal - flashing it with jubilinux is just a few more steps (~15 minutes) - but remember you’ll need to start with the flashing instructions. Follow the steps for flashing on (a) all-computers page (with the most comprehensive troubleshooting section); b) the Mac-specific flashing page; or c) the Windows-specific flashing page), but stop before installing wifi and other steps and instead jump over to the “Install OpenAPS” page from there.

- Option 2 - (previously buy an Edison that is already flashed with jubilinux when supplies were available. If you get a pre-flashed Edison, you can start installing and setup OpenAPS. (You would not need to “flash” the Edison).
7.5.3 Lithium-ion polymer (LiPo) battery or other battery supply

The Explorer Boards have battery charger circuitry on board, making it easy to use a LiPo battery.

- The example setup uses a 2000mah LiPo battery; also Lithium Ion Battery - 3.7v 2000mAh or Adafruit Battery Packs Lithium Ion Battery 3.7v 2000mAh are similar options, although many people prefer a higher capacity battery to get a full day from the rig (such as Adafruit Lithium Ion Polymer Battery - 3.7v 2500mAh (PRODUCT ID: 328) and the Adafruit Lithium Ion Cylindrical Battery - 3.7v 2200mAh (PRODUCT ID: 1781)). This battery uses a 2mm 2 pin JST connector to match the Explorer boards’ power plugs.

- For people in the UK, you may find you have to shop around to find the correct battery, as shipping restrictions appear to have reduced the supply somewhat. Pimoroni appear to stock the same Adafruit 2000mAh battery as mentioned above. Another source looks to be Cool Components, but you may find shipping costs expensive. CAUTION: RS Online sell a similar battery, but unfortunately it comes with the wrong JST connector (it comes with a 2.5mm JST XHP-2, and you need a 2mm JST PH). It is possible, however, to buy the right connectors and fit them yourself (numerous ‘how to’ videos on YouTube).

- For people in Australia you can find 2000mAh, 2200mAh and 2500mAh batteries from Little bird electronics, prices are very competitive and shipping is quick. These are the same Adafruit batteries that can be obtained from the US above.

Note: It’s best to buy from a reputable supplier, because if the internal two cells are mismatched the Explorer board cannot charge them separately and they are prone to catching fire. Make sure that it includes a protection circuit to protect over-discharge. NEVER connect the battery to an Explorer board the wrong way round. There is no manufacturing standard so never assume correct polarity. The connector JP1 on the Explorer Block has two terminals. The left side is positive, the right side is negative. The side with the JP1 label is the positive side. Typically a battery’s red wire is the positive wire. Ideally you want a battery that has a 10k ohm thermistor for temperature protection by the Edison too.

You can also use any charger with a USB plug, including a wall power charger. The Explorer boards have pass through charging, so this is also how you will charge the LiPo battery.

Battery safety

You should monitor the rig periodically - especially the LiPo battery, checking for swelling or damage. Immediately discontinue use of any battery that shows sign of swelling or damage.

7.5.4 Radio stick (only if not using Explorer board)

We recommend an Explorer Board with a built-in radio (see above), because if you get an Explorer Board, you don’t need an additional radio stick or CC-Debugger.

The following options are not yet documented for oref0 versions < 0.7.0, and may not work anymore: If you don’t use an Explorer board, you can use a number of radio sticks: a TI-USB-Sticks, running subg_rfspy; Wireless Things ERF; Wireless Things Slice of Radio a Slice of Radio; or a Rileylink. For details about setup with these other stick and board options, the best instructions will be found in the mmeowlink wiki for setting up your board and stick. Note you may also need a CC debugger for these, and also note that it will be more work as the documentation is designed for the Edison/Explorer Board setup as the easiest path forward.

7.5.5 USB Cables

You will need two micro USB cables - with a micro connector on one end and a standard (Type A) connector on the other. Most cables will work fine, but some prefer to select lengths. You may already have one for charging a Dexcom
receiver, or an Android phone, lying around at home. If you don’t, here’s an example of one that will work: Monoprice
Premium USB to Micro USB Charge, Sync Cable - 3ft.

Warning: bad cables cause a lot of headaches during the Edison flashing process, so it may be worth verifying before
you start if you have good cables that can transfer data.

7.5.6 Optional: Micro USB to Micro USB OTG Cable for offline looping

You may want to connect your Dexcom receiver (G4 or non-touchscreen G5) to your Explorer Block for offline
looping. For this you will need to use a micro USB to micro USB OTG cable (or an OTG adapter). Here is an example
of a cable that will work: BestGameSetups Micro USB to Micro USB OTG (On-The-Go) 12” (30cm) Data Cable.

7.5.7 Nuts and Bolts

You will likely want to screw your Edison onto the Explorer Block to stabilize the rig. There are two methods to do
this. The simplest is to order a kit like the Sparkfun Intel Edison Hardware Pack, which provides standoffs, screws,
and nuts specifically designed for the Edison. Alternatively, you can use (2) M2 screws and (2) M2 nuts and (4) M3
nuts (M3 or a bit larger to used as spacers). In this configuration, the screws should be just long enough to fit through
the spacer nuts and screw into the M2 nuts on the other side. (Note: Sparkfun is no longer selling these screw kits.
There are some available on Amazon lock nuts and cap screws.

7.5.8 Cases

You can use a variety of cases, either soft or hard. Make sure to check the case design to make sure it will support
your preferred rig setup and battery size/type. Also, be careful with inserting your rig into some 3D-printed cases so
you do not harm the board and/or the battery.

7.5.9 Soft Cases

• TallyGear soft case - these are the soft cases Dana uses (see this example). The OpenAPS-sized case can be
made any any pattern/fabric she uses elsewhere on the site.

• JD Burrows SD card case - this is a hard / soft case which fits the rig with a 2500mAh battery perfectly, can also
fit a spare AAA pump battery (Australia)

7.5.10 Hard cases

Warning: be careful if you select a hard case. Some may be designed for a certain size/shape battery; and
attempting to jam a rig in may harm the board and/or the battery.

Also: a hard case may make you less likely to look at your rig directly. You should monitor the rig periodically -
especially the battery, checking for swelling or damage. Immediately discontinue use of any battery that shows sign
of swelling or damage.

Generic hard cases:

• RadioShack Project Enclosure (3x2x1 inch)

• Small clear plastic case perfect for larger Sparkfun 2000 mAh battery: #8483

• Small Plastic Clear Case for 2500 mAh battery - Since a Tic-Tac box is too small for the 2500 mAh battery.

Cases for Edison plus battery:
• Ken Stack’s 3D design for a case with the battery next to the board
• Rob Kresha’s design with the battery compartment stacked on-top of the board compartment
• Gustavo’s 3D design
• Sulka Haro’s 3D design
• tazitoo’s 3D design: CAD (or STL for 3D printing)
• danimaniac’s Protective Cases & Accessories
• Luis’s ventilated acrylic simple design
• Robert Silvers and Eric Burt’s case for Explorer and 2500 mAh battery
• Robert Silvers’ case for Explorer and 2000 or 2500 mAh battery
• tynbendad’s case for 18650 battery

Cases for Edison plus G4 receiver:
• jimrandomh’s 3D printed design for Edison and a G4 receiver together

7.5.11 Other non-case protection options

• Heat Shrink Tubing
Collect your data and get prepared

Before getting started, we suggest that you store at least 30 days of CGM data. People often like to compare their before and after looping data. Nightscout is an excellent tool to capture your CGM history, as well as log your carbs and boluses. For instructions on setting up your own Nightscout site (or updating your existing one for OpenAPS use), see here. By logging and collecting a recent history of your insulin+BG patterns, you can also take advantage of the Autotune feature which uses Nightscout databases, as well as use Nightscout reports, which are often helpful for showing your data to your healthcare provider.

Later in these docs is a link to donate your data to a project called OpenHumans. There is no requirement to share your data or participate in OpenHumans. If you choose to, you can donate your data whether you are looping or not. Individuals within the project who share their data do so willingly and you should do the same only if you feel comfortable. That being said, it is always a good idea to record your data before embarking on a new set of experiments. This will be helpful to understand the effects of the system as well as gain a better understanding of your response to different control strategies.

8.1 Practice good CGM habits

A good quality CGM session is a critical part of successful looping. If you’re used to stretching your sensor sessions out until failure, you may want to reconsider this approach as you will have failed looping times, too. One technique that has helped eliminate early sensor jumpiness in a session is to “presoak” a new sensor before the old one dies when you notice the old sensor is getting jumpy or loses calibration. To read more about this presoak technique, check out this blog post. In addition, be diligent about your sensor calibration habits. Only calibrate on flat arrows and when BGs are steady. Many loopers calibrate once or twice a day only; at bedtime (after dinner has finished digesting) and/or just before getting out of bed. A good guide to sensor calibration - which generally applies regardless of which sensor you have - can be found here.

8.2 Use your gear

Starting a DIY loop system like OpenAPS means you are probably switching pumps, and quite possibly using Nightscout for the first time. You may find, like many new users, that settings you thought you had dialed in be-
fore will need to be adjusted. Good news, there are several tools and techniques to get you off to the right start. They include:

- Use your pump BEFORE you begin looping
- Practice good CGM habits
- Collect your carb, bolus, and BG history using Nightscout
- Use Autotune to analyze and fine-tune your pump settings

### 8.2.1 Start Medtronic pump

Many loopers have come from Animas, OmniPods, Roche, or t:slim pumps in order to pump using old Medtronic pumps. The menus will be different and you need to get proficient with the pump’s normal use before complicating things with looping. Become familiar with the reservoir changes and teach your T1D kid, if that’s the person who will be using the pump. Train caregivers on the new pump, as well. Assuming that you’re already familiar with insulin pumping (and you should be before trying to loop) but new to these old Medtronic pumps, these “quick menu” guides will help:

- x12
- x15
- x22 (aka “REAL-TIME”)
- x23 (aka “REAL-TIME REVEL™”)
- x54 (aka “Veo™”)

You should definitely test your basals, ISFs, carb ratios, and DIA all over again now that you’ve switched pumps and infusion sets. Expect for your settings to change when switching pumps and when beginning to close the loop.

### Pump settings

There are a couple areas in the pump that will need to be set specifically in order to allow OpenAPS to loop. Since you are going to be looping soon, you might as well set them correctly in your pump now:

- Set the Temp Basal type to units per hour not % type.
- Set the carb ratios to grams, not exchange units.
- Set the max basal rate to a reasonable value (typically no more than 3-4 times your regular basal).
- Set basal profile, carb ratios, and ISF values.

  - **Safety note**: your carb ratio is unlikely to vary significantly throughout the course of day. If you have carb ratios that vary significantly (such as more than 2x) between different times of day, you may get unexpected results in looping, such as COB reappearing when the CR schedule changes. For safety, we recommend checking your settings against Autotune, which currently uses a single CR for the entire day. If you are using a schedule with widely varying carb ratios or ISFs, that may be compensating for something other than an actual diurnal variation in carb ratio: perhaps different absorption speeds of different foods, or perhaps related to different macronutrient composition (instead of entering carb equivalents for fat/protein), differing basal insulin needs around mealtime, or something else.

- Set your DIA. **Note**: Most people have their DIA for traditional pumping to be too short (e.g. 2 or 3). For looping, OpenAPS will default to using 5. Many people find they actually need it to be 6 or 7 with properly adjusted other settings.
• If you have periods in the day where your pump normally has basal settings of zero - your loop will not work! You can resolve this by setting the lowest possible basal setting your pump will permit. OpenAPS will then issue temp basals of zero, as needed.

**Easy Bolus Button**

Setting up the Easy Bolus feature for your pump now (and practicing it) may help you avoid a small, annoying pump error later. If you are going to use the (super advanced, not for beginners) SMB (super microbolus) feature, then you need to be aware of the potential for pump error due to remote bolus commands. When the pump is engaged to bolus with a remote bolus command from the rig and another bolus is initiated from the pump manually, the pump will error out with an A52 error. The pump will not deliver the bolus, the reservoir will rewind and the pump time needs to be reset. Put simply, two bolus commands coming in at once cause the pump to error and rewind.

One way to minimize this error is by checking the pump before giving a bolus. Check to see if the rig is giving a SMB by using the OpenAPS pill in Nightscout, checking the pump-loop log in Papertrail, or logging into the rig and looking at the pump loop. If the rig is actively giving a SMB, then try to time your bolus wizard use to be in the 5 minutes between SMBs (SMBs are only enacted every 5 minutes at most). These steps might be a little too complex for young kids or school nurses, depending on the situation. If this error happens frequently, you may need to consider turning off SMBs or try using the Easy Bolus button.

The Easy Bolus button allows you to quickly use the arrow buttons on your pump to give a set increment of insulin. For example, if you setup your Easy Bolus button to have 0.5 unit increments, every click of the up arrow on the pump will increment a bolus of 0.5 units. Push the button 4 times and you are setting up a 2.0 unit bolus. You still have to click the ACT button twice to confirm and start the delivery of the bolus. Since the button presses are usually pretty quick, there’s less likelihood of radio communication interference with a rig’s SMB command. You can use IFTTT buttons to enter the carbs in your Nightscout site (or use Care Portal in Nightscout directly). For example, having IFTTT buttons for 5, 10, and 20g carb entries (or whatever your common meal amounts are) can make entering in food pretty easy. The Easy Bolus method requires the ability to roughly estimate your meal bolus (e.g., total carbs divided by carb ratio). As long as you are close, the loop should be able to make up any amount of bolus that was slightly over/under done by using the Easy Bolus button.

**Extended and Dual Wave substitute**

Due to the way Medtronic pumps operate, temp basals can only be set when there is no bolus running, including extended (square) and dual wave boluses. If you’re used to extended or dual wave boluses for carb heavy meals (e.g., pizza), which may still be the optimal approach for you, OpenAPS will not be able to provide temp basals during the extended bolus. You won’t be looping during those types of boluses.

But, you don’t need the square/dual wave boluses anymore, as OpenAPS will help simulate the longer tail insulin needed if you’ve entered carbs into the system. Also, many loopers have found they can convert to a split bolus strategy to effectively deal with the same meals. There is a carb+insulin+BG simulator called Glucodyn that can be used to model a split bolus strategy for those meals. By setting different bolus times and bolus amounts, the model allows the user to slide adjustments to minimize early-meal lows as well as late meal rises. For example, you may find that a 20 minute pre-bolus of 50% of the carbs and a later bolus for the remaining 50% will work well, with looping helping to make up the difference that an extended bolus used to provide. You can practice the transition to split bolusing even before you get your loop running.

Some of the super advanced features you’ll learn about later - Unannounced Meals and Supermicrobolus (UAM/SMBs) - also help smooth the transition from extended bolusing. Some users have found that entering in carbs alone can be effective, especially in helping later BG rises from slow-absorbing carbs. Once you get your loop running, and are ready for the advanced features, you may be interested in playing with the various techniques available for heavy, slow carb meals.
8.2.2 Autotune

You’ve been logging and recording your carbs and boluses in Nightscout, right? You have your CGM data flowing into Nightscout too? Great...now autotune can give you a headstart to fine-tuning your basals and ISF. There are some restrictions on autotune still (only a single daily carb ratio and single daily ISF), but there are tips on the autotune page for how to deal with multiple values. You can run autotune before you get your loop setup...it doesn’t have to run on a rig.

How important are good basals and ISFs? You mean you weren’t convinced already by the amount of work put into autotune itself? Well, autotune is a required step in order to enable the most advanced features (SMB and UAM). The new version will check to see if you have an autotune directory in your rig before the loop will be allowed to actually enact any SMBs (no matter what your preferences say). To fulfill this requirement you can do one of the following which will create an autotune directory where it needs to be:

• enable autotune during your OpenAPS setup script and autotune will run automatically as part of your loop.

• run autotune as a one-off (single run) on your rig using the directions given in the link above

Regardless of if you want to use advanced features later, we highly recommend running autotune as part of the rig nightly, or as a one-off and periodically checking the output to see if the settings on the pump that you are using reflect what the data says your body really needs.
Loops In Progress

To get you comfortable with submitting a “PR” (stands for pull request), test it out by submitting a PR to this page, adding your name to the list of people who have loops in progress.

New to Github, and PRs? Check out how to submit your first PR.

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- Brooke Armstrong & Matt Pazoles
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10.1 Nightscout Introduction

Nightscout (NS) is an open source, DIY project that allows real-time access to CGM data via a personal website, smartwatch viewers, or apps and widgets available for smartphones. Setting up a Nightscout web app is the recommended way to visualize your OpenAPS closed loop. It is required in order to run autotune (highly recommended), which in turn is required if you want to use (e)SMB (an advanced feature of OpenAPS).

Nightscout allows a user to upload CGM data from a variety of sources to an online database and cloud computing service. The information is then processed and displayed visually as a graph. There are plugins that allow more information to be shown about OpenAPS, too. As the data is uploaded to an online website and then retrieved by OpenAPS, it allows OpenAPS a wider range of compatibility with various CGM solutions.

Nightscout is the recommended way to visualize your OpenAPS closed loop.

Even if you don’t choose to share your Nightscout site with another person, it will be helpful for you to visualize what the loop is doing; what it’s been doing; plus generate helpful reports for understanding your data, customized watchfaces with your OpenAPS data, and integration with IFTTT. You can read more about latest Nightscout features here.

10.2 Nightscout Setup with Heroku

- If you plan to use Nightscout with OpenAPS, we recommend using Heroku, as OpenAPS can reach the usage limits of the free Azure plan and cause it to shut down for hours or days. If you end up needing a paid tier, the $7/mo Heroku plan is also much cheaper than the first paid tier of Azure. Currently, the only added benefit to choosing the $7/mo Heroku plan vs the free Heroku plan is a section showing site use metrics for performance (such as response time). This has limited benefit to the average OpenAPS user. In short, Heroku is the free and OpenAPS-friendly option for NS hosting.

- Create an account at Heroku and choose the Primary Development Language to be Node.js when you create your account. You’re going to use a free account, but you will still need to enter credit card information for your account setup before the app will deploy. You’ll need to confirm your Heroku account by clicking a link sent via email.
• Create an account at GitHub

**Note:** If you already have an existing GitHub account and NS site, you may just need to update your repository by doing a Compare in GitHub. Use https://github.com/yourgithubname/cgm-remote-monitor/compare/master...nightscout:master and replace “yourgithubname” with your GitHub name. Click the big green Create pull request button. Another screen will appear, fill in a title and click button to create the pull request, and then you can Merge pull request, and finally Confirm merge. That process updates your Nightscout repository in GitHub. Once updated, you can skip the “click the Fork Button” step below and start following along with the purple Deploy to Heroku button step from your updated Nightscout cgm-remote-monitor repository.

• Go to the Nightscout cgm-remote-monitor repository

• Click the Fork button in the upper right corner
• Where it says Branch: master (to the far-left of the green “Clone or download” button), click on it and choose dev. This button should then say Branch: dev.

• Scroll down until you see the purple Deploy to Heroku button. Click that button.

• Give your app a name, this will be the prefix of your NS site’s URL. For example, https://yourappname.herokuapp.com
• Fill out the information lines in the **Config Variables** Section of that page. Some of the lines can stay with the default entries already provided.

Click here to expand the list of the **Config Variables** you need to enter:

**The remaining variables can be left at their default values.**

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**Note:** for BRIDGE\_MAX\_COUNT: This value sets the number of BG values to pull from Share per update. Each Dexcom BG value represent 5 minutes. Nightscout defaults to BRIDGE\_MAX\_COUNT=1. If you lose connectivity with your Dexcom transmitter, your Share app will automatically backfill data points when you regain connectivity. Nightscout does not do this and you will have gaps in the data for when you were out of range. More information [here](#).

You can change the BRIDGE\_MAX\_COUNT value to pull more samples per query, which will backfill BRIDGE\_MAX\_COUNT values for you. This change increases your data usage and may affect your Nightscout billing tier. Setting BRIDGE\_MAX\_COUNT to 7 will update the previous 35 minutes of data and will keep OpenAPS up to date on your current BG trends. If you frequently have larger data gaps and you use autotune, you may consider increasing this number more to backfill data more aggressively.

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• Click the purple **Deploy** button at the bottom of screen.
• Wait a little bit while Heroku builds your NS app. You’ll see some text scroll by in the Build App box, and then finally, you will have a message that the NS app was successfully deployed. If the app fails to deploy, it may be that you have not added your credit card information to your account yet. Go add that information in your account billing section, and then come back and press the deploy button again. Don’t worry, your account is still free unless you choose otherwise. The credit card simply gives you added dyno hours on your free account (win-win).
You can verify your site’s successful build by clicking View (you should see black site with a profile warning). You will be redirected to a profile set-up page. (If it doesn’t redirect automatically, refresh your webpage).
You do not have to enter all the information in the profile if you are using OpenAPS (since OpenAPS will be providing the information for IOB and COB rather than letting NS calculate them), but you do have to fill out the Basal Profile and TimeZone at a minimum in order to have your temp basals properly display at first. Click Save when you have entered the information. You will be prompted to authenticate, if it is the first time you’ve used the device to make changes in your profile. Click on the Authenticate link at the bottom of the site, and enter your API_SECRET to complete the authentication.
• Assuming your previous browser tab is still open for “Create a new App | Heroku”, let’s go back to that tab. This time instead of choosing the View option, we are going to select the Manage App button. Then, select the Settings tab near the top of the screen on your Heroku app.
• Click on Reveal Config Vars. Scroll down to the bottom of the Config Vars lines until you find the last blank one. You are going to add several additional lines of config vars for OpenAPS use; the DEVICESTATUS_ADVANCED is a required line, the others just make Nightscout more useful when using OpenAPS.

If you are using the Nightscout Bridge to bring in CGM data from Dexcom servers (G4 Share2 app or G5 Mobile app) and are outside the US, you will need to add a setting for BRIDGE_SERVER and set the value to EU.

• Click on Open App in the top right corner of your Heroku site.
• Click on the settings (those three horizontal lines in upper right corner). Now check that your basal render is selected to either default or icicle (personal preference for how the temp basals show as blue lines in NS site), check the boxes that you’d like display pills in the SHOW PLUGINS (usually all of them), and then press save.
10.2.1 Battery monitoring

Because running OpenAPS requires frequent communication with your pump, your pump battery tends to drain more quickly than you’d experience when not looping. Some users have had good experiences with Energizer Ultimate Lithium AAA batteries (getting ~1.5 weeks) rather than alkaline batteries (getting ~2-3 days). Regardless of whether you use alkaline or lithium, you may want to consider a Nightscout alarm to alert you to when the battery is running low. You can do this by setting (in your Nightscout config vars) `PUMP_WARN_BATT_V` to 1.39 for lithium batteries or
1.2 or 1.25 for alkaline batteries, and adding battery to your \texttt{PUMP\_FIELDS} setting so that voltage is displayed on your Nightscout site. The voltage warning will give you many hours (reportedly \textasciitilde 8+ for lithium and \textasciitilde 6+ for alkaline) heads up that you will need to change your battery. Note: If you don’t change the battery in time and end up with a “low battery” warning on the pump, the pump will still function, but RF communications will be turned off and you will not be able to loop until you put a new battery in.

Your \textsc{Nightscout} site is now all set-up. Congrats!

## 10.3 Nightscout Migrations

### 10.3.1 Switching from API\_SECRET to token based authentication for your rig

You can secure your Nightscout and CGM data with \textit{token based authentication}. This requires Nightscout 0.9 (Grilled Cheese) and \texttt{oref0} 0.5.0 or later.

This has the following advantages:

- You can deny public access to your Nightscout.
- Each rig uses its own security token to authenticate to Nightscout.
- With the old \texttt{API\_SECRET} authentication all the rigs had all the privileges to your Nightscout (similar to root or Administrator users).
- The \texttt{API\_SECRET} method for authentication rigs/devices is deprecated in Nightscout, and token based authentication is the preferred way.
- In case you lose a rig or it gets stolen you can deny access to Nightscout for that one rig. Otherwise you need to change your \texttt{API\_SECRET} and reconfigure all the other rigs.

You can migrate each rig independently from \texttt{API\_SECRET} authentication to token based authentication. If you want to secure your Nightscout and CGM data, then all rigs need to have \texttt{oref0} version 0.5.0+ and all be configured with token based authentication.

Here are the steps you need to follow - click here to expand the instructions:

1. Visit https://yourappname.herokuapp.com/admin. Replace “yourappname” with the name you chose for your app above, that is, the prefix of your NS site’s URL.
   - Add a new Role
     
     \texttt{Name: oref0rig}

     Permissions: Add the following 8 permissions. Note that the default window is too small to see them all after you paste them in.

     \begin{verbatim}
     api:devicestatus:create,
     api:devicestatus:read,
     api:entries:create,
     api:entries:read,
     api:treatments:create,
     api:treatments:read,
     api:profile:create,
     api:profile:read
     \end{verbatim}
2. Add a new Subject

Name: the name of your rig (same as the hostname of your rig). You will need to add a new Subject for each rig you run. Note: Nightscout will shorten the name to 10 characters in your access token, e.g., myedisonhostname becomes myedisonho-0dccda4ae591e763

Roles: oref0rig
Press Save button.

In the Subject - People, Device etc. view you’ll see the access token for your rig, e.g., myrigname-27c914cabc506fa3

3. You need your rig to use the token based authentication. This can be done in three different ways:

   - Using the cd & & ~/src/oref0/bin/oref0-setup.sh interactive setup. Enter the access token (subjectname and hash of 16 characters, e.g., myrigname-27c914cabc506fa3) Example of the interactive setup:

     Are you using Nightscout? If not, press enter.
     If so, what is your Nightscout host? (i.e. https://mynightscout.herokuapp.com)? https://mynightscout.herokuapp.com
     Ok, https://mynightscout.herokuapp.com it is.

     Starting with oref0 0.5.0 you can use token based authentication to Nightscout. This makes it possible to deny anonymous access to your Nightscout instance. It’s more secure than using your API_SECRET. Do you want to use token based authentication y/[N]? y
     What Nightscout access token (i.e. subjectname-hashof16characters) do you want to use for this rig? myrigname-27c914cabc506fa3

   - Using the oref0-setup or oref0-runagain.sh command line. Use --api-secret=token=myrigname-27c914cabc506fa3. Don’t forget to start with token=.
     During install it will connect to your Nightscout site and check if the permissions are ok. If OK you’ll see this in your log:

     2017-06-10 19:46:14,758 INFO Nightscout host: https://mynightscout.herokuapp.com
If it’s not ok it will exit the setup script and tell you which permissions are missing.

- Change the token in ns.ini. It’s the third argument of the args= line:

```
[device "ns"]
fields = oper
cmd = nightscout
args = ns https://mynightscout.herokuapp.com token=myrigname-27c914cabc506fa3
```

You must also change your API_SECRET in your crontab, e.g. API_SECRET=token=myrigname-27c914cabc506fa3. Use crontab -e to edit your crontab.

4. Test the rig by running openaps upload or openaps upload-ns-status or just running the pump loop. You should see the update from myrigname in the OpenAPS pill in Nightscout.

5. When all the rigs are 0.5.0 and are all using token based authentication, you can change the environment variables of your Nightscout:

- AUTH_DEFAULT_ROLES from readable devicestatus-upload to denied if you wish to block read-only access to your Nightscout instance. If you don’t mind your CGM data being accessible to anyone with your Nightscout URL, you can just leave AUTH_DEFAULT_ROLES absent, which will default it to the value of readable.

Other notes:

- Just like keeping your pump serial number and API_SECRET for yourself, you should not post your authentication token myrigname-27c914cabc506fa3 on the Internet

- The authentication is also stored in your crontab, as API_SECRET=token=myrigname-27c914cabc506fa3. When token based authentication is used the API_SECRET on the rig will always start with token= instead of a hash.


- Once you have token auth enabled, you can stop entering your API_SECRET in your browser when authenticating, and keep your API_SECRET as a root/Administrator password that you only use for configuring Nightscout. Instead, you can set up a user (as in steps 1 and 2 above) with the appropriate role. If you wish to be able to enter treatments into NS, you’ll need to create an account with careportal access and authenticate with that in Nightscout. If you set AUTH_DEFAULT_ROLES to denied in step 5, you’ll also need a user with readable permissions for any browsers that should have read-only access.

10.3.2 Switching from Azure to Heroku

- If you are a current OpenAPS user and want to switch from Azure to Heroku, you will need to change your NS URL in both ns.ini and in cron. Alternatively, you can edit your runagain.sh file and run the setup script again.

- If you’d like to seamlessly keep all your old Azure NS data showing in your new Heroku NS site, you’ll need to copy and paste your old MONGODB string from your Azure site. Find it in either Application Settings or Connection strings in your Azure control panel and then go to Heroku’s MONGODB_URI line. Replace the content with your copied string from Azure. Double check that your Azure collection used the “entries” name…if it doesn’t, then you will need to update that variable in Heroku to match as well.
**Note:** It’s a good idea to check your deployment connection in Heroku’s dashboard after your deploy (typically this still needs to be manually connected after initial setup). Go your Deploy tab in your Heroku dashboard, click on the GitHub service, and select your GitHub cgm-remote-monitor repository. You can select the cgm-remote-monitor branch you’d like to deploy at the bottom of the screen. Both master and dev branches work for OpenAPS.

10.4 Nightscout Troubleshooting and FAQ

10.4.1 It’s not working - I’m missing data in Nightscout?

If you are using a “test pump” that has not received sufficient data in some time, Nightscout pills will NOT be displayed onscreen. Nightscout may also not work if it hasn’t had CGM data in a while - so if you haven’t been using a CGM and uploading CGM data to Nightscout for the past few days, the site may be empty as well. If this happens, simply use this pump in tandem with a CGM so glucose values are recorded and eventually uploaded to Nightscout. Once sufficient data has been collected (and OpenAPS plugin is enabled and saved) the OpenAPS pills should appear automatically. Medtronic CGM users may also need to do this to get their CGM data flowing into Nightscout after a gap in uploading data.
Dexcom CGM users should make sure they have “share” enabled and have actively shared their data with at least one follower, before data will begin flowing to Nightscout. If you don’t want to share your data with another person, you can just follow yourself.

10.4.2 A Note about Nightscout’s COB Pill

If you have the Advanced Meal Assist (AMA) OpenAPS feature turned on, OpenAPS calculates COB dynamically. To see your COB on your Nightscout web app, look inside the OpenAPS pill. *(If it says “undefined”, this means you do NOT have AMA turned on.)*

Nightscout, however, has its own COB pill, which decays carbs statically, and it is NOT used in OpenAPS calculations.

- **We highly recommend NOT using the Nightscout COB pill.** We even recommend removing it from your Nightscout ENABLE web app settings as it causes bugs, and great confusion, because it will do a static decay and/or mess up your Nightscout.
- **Note also:** Nightscout’s Bolus Wizard Preview (BWP) pill also decays carbs statically.
- **To avoid confusion:** Turn off all other Nightscout pills that use static COB calculations.

10.4.3 How to display basal changes (“render basal”)

- In case you missed it during setup: we recommend that you “render”/display the basal rates (the blue lines to show what temp basals have been enacted, if any.) To do so, select “Default” or “Icicle” from the “Render Basal” pull-down menu in the Settings.

10.4.4 How to automatically sync your profile from Autotune

OpenAPS does not read anything from Nightscout’s profile to use for looping (so original basal rates, ISF, carb ratio, targets, etc. come from the pump). However, if you like your Nightscout profile to accurately reflect what you are looping with and not be out of date, you can use a helper script to upload your rig’s profile - that includes your Autotune results) to Nightscout.

To upload the active oref0 profile to Nightscout, run the following command on the rig:

```
cd ~/myopenaps; oref0-upload-profile settings/profile.json $NIGHTSCOUT_HOST $API_SECRET
```

To synchronize the profile OpenAPS obtained from the pump, run the following command on the rig:

```
cd ~/myopenaps; oref0-upload-profile settings/pumpprofile.json $NIGHTSCOUT_HOST $API_SECRET
```

Afterward, your profile will probably look something like this:
10.4.5 How to display OpenAPS purple prediction/forecast lines

- Click the three dots next to your timeframe horizon (2HR, 3HR, 6HR, 12HR, 24HR) and then enable “Show OpenAPS Forecasts”. Don’t see this option? Check and make sure you added this variable and that your OpenAPS has successfully run.

10.4.6 Understanding OpenAPS purple predictions/forecast lines

- There are up to four purple prediction lines that you will see: IOBpredBG; ZTpredBG; UAM; and COBpredBG.

10.4.7 Understanding the OpenAPS pill

The OpenAPS pill box has four states, based on what happened in the last 15 minutes: Enacted, Looping, Waiting, and Warning:

- Waiting is when OpenAPS is uploading, but hasn’t seen the pump in a while
• Warning is when there hasn’t been a status upload in the last 15 minutes
• Enacted means OpenAPS has recently enacted the pump
• Looping means OpenAPS is running but has not enacted the pump
• Unknown means Error or Timeout; OpenAPS has reported a failure, or has reported no status for many hours.

10.4.8 All of a sudden, Nightscout is no longer showing treatments (bolus, carbs, finger BGs) on the graph or rendering my basals.

If you suddenly find that Nightscout is not showing treatments (bolus, carbs, finger BGs etc.) on the graph; and/or that your basals are no longer being rendered in the blue basal line; but otherwise, everything looks normal and you are looping properly:

You probably somehow got a future-dated treatment. One possible reason is a clock-time mismatch between your devices - for example, your BG meter, pump, CGM, or OpenAPS rig may have different dates or times set.

To remove future treatments:

• Go into Nightscout under “Settings” and “Admin tools” and delete any future-dated treatments (press the “remove treatments in the future” button). If the future treatments were caused by a time mismatch, you’ll need to resolve that first, or the future dated treatments may simply be re-uploaded.
11.1 Pi HAT rig

After April 2018, there is a Pi+HAT rig as an option for closing the loop with OpenAPS. The HAT can be ordered from the same place that makes the Explorer Board (click here. We call it the “Explorer HAT”, to differentiate from the Explorer “Board” that goes with the Edison.
11.1.1 Getting Physical: Build your Pi/HAT rig

If you chose a “Pi Zero WH” (with headers), you will place the HAT on the Pi.

Buttons and Menu System

The Explorer Board Pi HAT includes a 128x64 OLED display with two general purpose buttons to navigate an included menu system.

Button Navigation

The Pi HAT has two general purpose buttons labeled “Up” and “Down”. A single press of the “Up” button will move the menu selection cursor up a single menu item and a single press of the “Down” button will move the menu selection cursor down a single menu item.

A double press of the “Down” button will enter in currently selected menu item as indicated by the “>” next to a menu item.

A double press of the “Up” button will take you back to the previous screen.

Menu Items

The current tree of available menu items (click to expand):
• OpenAPS
  – Status Graph
  – Set Temp Target
    * Cancel temp Target
    * Eating Soon: 60m@80
    * Speaking: 45m@110
    * Walking: 45m@120
    * Running: 60m@140
  – Status Text
  – Enacted Reason
  – Show pump-loop.log
  – Unicorn Logo

• Wifi
  – Current Wifi Network
  – Current Hostname
  – Current IP Address
  – Show network.log

• System
  – Voltage
  – Display Tests
    * Checkerboard 1
    * Checkerboard 2
    * All On
    * Boxes 1
    * Boxes 2
  – Isusb
  – Reboot
  – Cancel Reboot

A series of images of the menu items can be viewed here.

11.1.2 Charging

The rig can be charged via microUSB.

Note: the charging LED on the board is not working currently (unless you remove the Q3 transistor). Currently, it's basically just a “plugged into the wall” indicator. The only side effect of removing Q3 is on the binary charging signal to the Pi (which doesn’t work anyway, and we’ve not tried to use). The voltage monitoring should work fine either way, but while the rig is charging will report 4.2V (“fully charged”) any time the battery is more than about 50% charged. So to be sure if it’s charged you should unplug the rig.
2nd Note: make sure the battery plug is switched to ON while the rig is plugged. Otherwise the battery won’t charge.

11.1.3 Power

Like an Edison rig, you can use a single cell (1s) lipo battery or similar; or use wall power.

11.1.4 LED

The Pi HAT offers 4 LEDs labeled with D1-D4. D1 is the charging LED and works as described above. D2 is the battery low indicator. It turns orange when the LiPo battery voltage goes below 3.6 V or when the rig is plugged and the battery switch is on OFF. D3 and D4 are connected to the CC1110 radio processor and are controlled by the subg_rfspy radio firmware while resetting the radio. That happens repeatedly during wait-for-silence.

11.1.5 Multiple Rigs? What if I have an Edison AND a Pi rig?

Just like multiple Edison rigs play well together, an Edison and a Pi rig can also work fine side by side. As always, best practice is to make sure they’re in the same feature set - don’t have one type of rig using SMB’s if the other hardware has an old code version that isn’t aware of SMB’s.

11.2 Edison/Explorer Board rig

The Edison/Explorer Board is one of the “rig” types you can use to close the loop with OpenAPS.

11.2.1 Getting Physical: Build your Edison/Explorer Board rig/put the physical pieces together

The Explorer board is where all the communications are housed for the rig, as well as the battery charger. The Edison is the mini-computer where all the OpenAPS code will be sent and used. In order for this to work, first you have to screw and connect the Edison and Explorer Board together with the nuts and bolts you order.

The nuts and bolts are tiny, and the spaces are a little tight. It really helps to use a set of tweezers and a small Phillips head screwdriver. You will need 2 small gold screws, 2 small nuts, and 2 small silver screws.

It’s easiest to start with the Explorer board and put on 2 nuts and gold screws (nuts on the side with most of the wiring) inside the little outline where the Edison will eventually sit. The gold screws should be placed as shown, with nuts on the backside. Then, lay the Edison board on top of the gold screws, aligning the screw holes on the Edison board with the gold screw heads (which have screw holes in them). Use a small Phillips head screwdriver to tighten the silver screws into the gold screws beneath them. The Edison board should not wobble, and should feel secure when you are done. Attach your battery into the explorer board plug. A single red light should appear and stay lit. During the course of your OpenAPS rig use, it’s good practice to periodically check that the nuts and screws stay tightened. If they come loose, the Edison can wobble off the connection to the Explorer board and you will either get looping failures (if it’s loose) or be unable to connect to the Edison (if it comes completely off).
11.2.2 Charging LiPo Battery

You can use the little white block that comes with an iPhone (or similar charger) and a microB-USB cable. The same cables you used to setup the rig and connect to the computer will work for charging, too. Either one of the USB ports on the Explorer board will work for charging. When charging is active, there is an extra red light on in the corner of the Explorer board. When charging is complete, that corner red light will turn off. It may come back on periodically as the battery “tops off”. You won’t do any damage leaving the rig plugged in for longer than the charge takes.

While the rig is plugged in for charging, the Nightscout battery pill will read approximately 65%. This is because it is reading the charging voltage rather than the battery voltage. Once you disconnect from the charger, the Nightscout battery pill will display the LiPo battery’s voltage and percent again.

11.2.3 What the lights mean and where they are

- The LED between the two ports is the power. If this light is on, your rig is on.
- The LED in the corner is the charging indictator.
- The two next to the microUSBs (one green on the latest boards) are for the cc1110 radio chip. By default they just blink once each when you mmtune or otherwise reset it.
11.2.4 Where is the power button?

The little black button on the end of the board near the JST connector is the power button. If you want to reboot your rig, the easiest way is to hold down the tiny power button for 10-15 seconds until the power light turns off. Wait a couple seconds and then press and hold the power button again until the light turns back on. Give the loop a couple minutes to get itself going again. Rebooting solves a majority of rig issues.

11.2.5 Where is the radio?

The radio and antenna are down on the end of the Explorer board where you see a little white stick (opposite end of the board from where your battery connects at the JST connector).

11.2.6 Cutting the trace to improve radio communication

Some OpenAPS users have found that cutting a portion of the Explorer Board’s hidden copper antenna wire (called a trace) will improve radio comm with the pump. Before doing this, remember to disconnect any attached battery or power source. For North American (NA) or Canadian/Australian (CA) pumps (using the 916MHz band), you’re looking to cut near the white line that is between the 1 and the 5 in the “915.” Consider cutting on the 1-side rather than the exact spot where the white “cut” line is drawn because it is so close to the corner where the rest of the copper wire goes. To make the cut, use a sharp x-acto blade to cut through the copper just beneath the green surface of board. It will take a few swipes and you’ll hear a small scraping noise when you get through the wire. Make sure you’ve cut all the way through the wire to the green circuit board material on the other side.

Watch this video for an example.

LiPo Battery

LiPo batteries are great for a lot of things, but taking damage is not one of them. Please treat LiPo batteries with care. Keep them protected from puncture. The Explorer board has some “pointy” parts on the underside, so providing some protection from the board’s squish is a good idea. A small piece of protection (such as a business card or non-conductive thin foam sheet) will help protect the battery from the board above it.

Since there is some warmth with an OpenAPS rig, it is also not recommended to put a rig unprotected in a pocket close to the body. The LiPo battery can become warped from the heat or bent from being in the pocket and potentially compromised. A durable case or waist-belt pouch is a good idea (see here for both hard and soft case ideas).

The connections between the LiPo battery and its red and black wires are fragile and can break easily. Consider taping the wires to the battery with electrical tape as described in SparkFun’s LiPo battery care tutorial. (See the Reinforcing the Power Cables section.) This will stabilize the wires and relieve tension on the connections.

There are several places to get LiPo batteries, with lots of different dimensions and capacities. A 2000 mAh LiPo will get you about 12-14 hours of use, assuming you have the standard setup (which is what you get following these docs) running.

What happens if you have multiple rigs?

If you have multiple OpenAPS rigs, they’re built to be polite to each other. Even if you had two or more rigs in same room, they won’t trip each other up. They “wait for silence” before issuing any commands to the pump. By having multiple rigs throughout a house, you can move from room-to-room without carrying rigs because the rigs will pass-off comms as you moves in and out of the rig’s range. Stationary rigs will not need LiPo batteries and can be plugged directly into a wall charger from the Explorer board.
Chapter 12

Entering carbs & doing boluses

How do you enter carbs & do boluses with OpenAPS? You have a variety of ways to do things.

12.1 Doing boluses

- **Easy bolus button**: Previously before OpenAPS, you probably used the easy bolus button to add up a bolus in increments. (E.g. if your pump had increments of 0.5u, you could quickly dial up to a bolus by pressing the up button as many times as needed; hitting enter to confirm it; hitting enter again to deliver the bolus.)

- **Bolus wizard**: Or, you may have used the bolus wizard, sometimes with BG or carb entry, or just as a bolus.

In OpenAPS, you can still use those same methods for delivering manual doses of insulin (boluses).

12.2 Entering carbs into OpenAPS

Before OpenAPS, you may or may not have entered carbs into your pump. With OpenAPS, most people do want the rig to know about carbs. You have a variety of ways to enter them, depending on whether your rig is online or offline.

Look at this image for the big picture:
12.2.1 Offline carb entry

• You can still use the bolus wizard to enter carbs, although a non-zero amount of bolus must be delivered in order for OpenAPS to record the carbs. If you adjust the bolus recommended by the bolus wizard down to zero and deliver the zero units (as you might ordinarily do if you ate carbs in order to treat a low), the pump may (depending on your pump version) fail to record a bolus wizard record in pumphistory, causing OpenAPS to ignore the carbs as if you hadn’t entered them. In that situation, consider delivering the smallest unit of bolus possible (like 0.05u or 0.1u) so that OpenAPS will record the carbs entered into the bolus wizard.

• Some pumps can use the ‘meal marker’ feature.

• See section on extended and dual wave substitutes for information on how extended boluses are handled in OpenAPS.

12.2.2 Online carb entry

If your rig is online, you have a variety of ways to enter carbs online.

• Nightscout care portal

• AndroidAPS NS Client (Download the app-nsclient-release APK from here.)

• Many options for using IFTTT to get carbs into Nightscout Care portal. (See the IFTTT page here for instructions.)
  – Pebble or Apple watch
  – Google Calendar
  – Siri, Alexa, Google, etc.

• Android users: you can use the Care portal option in NSClient app found here.
CHAPTER 13

Understanding the determine-basal logic

The core, lowest level logic behind any oref0 implementation of OpenAPS can be found in oref0/lib/determine-basal/determine-basal.js. That code pulls together the required inputs (namely, recent CGM readings, current pump settings, including insulin on board and carbohydrates consumed, and your profile settings) and performs the calculations to make the recommended changes in temp basal rates that OpenAPS could/will enact.

13.1 Basic diabetes math

OpenAPS follows the same logic that a person with diabetes uses to make dosing decisions. Generally, this means looking at the current BG; subtracting the target; and applying your ISF (correction factor) to determine how much insulin is needed to correct the blood sugar to target. You can subtract any “insulin on board” from the amount needed. You can also add insulin needed to cover carbohydrates.

In OpenAPS, we can do both a positive (more insulin) and a negative (less insulin) correction by making adjustments to your underlying basal rates to adjust insulin up or down to help bring the “eventual” BG into target.

13.2 OpenAPS decision inputs

In OpenAPS, we take the same inputs you would use to manually decide what to do, but we also factor other things into our calculation.

This includes:

- Blood glucose information
  - \( \text{delta} \) = change in BG between \( \text{glucose} \) (most recent BG) and an average of BG value from between 2.5 and 7.5 minutes ago (usually just a single BG value from 5 minutes ago)
  - \( \text{glucose} \) = most recent BG
  - \( \text{short_avgdelta} \) = average rate of change (per 5m) in BG values between \( \text{glucose} \) (most recent BG) and each BG reading from 2.5 to 17.5 minutes ago
- **long_avgdelta** = average rate of change (per 5m) in BG values between glucose (most recent BG) and each BG reading from 17.5 to 42.5 minutes ago

- Past insulin dosing information, pulled from your pump
  - **iob** = Units of Insulin on Board (IOB), net of your pre-programmed basal rates. Net IOB takes all pre-programmed basal, OpenAPS temp basal, and bolus insulin into account. Note: iob can be negative when OpenAPS temp basal rate is below your pre-programmed basal rate (referred to as “low-temping”). This will always be different than pump-calculated IOB, because it only takes into account boluses - ignore pump IOB. This is a high level overview, but you can dive into more detail around how insulin activity is calculated here.
  - **basaliob** = Units of net basal Insulin on Board (IOB). This value does not include the IOB effects of boluses; just the difference between OpenAPS temp basal rates and your pre-programmed basal rates. As such, this value can be negative when OpenAPS has set a low-temp basal rate.
  - **bolusiob** = Units of bolus Insulin on Board. Does not take into account any temp basals.

- We also add other calculations that we do to better predict and analyze what is happening:
  - **deviation** = how much actual BG change is deviating from the BGI
  - **BGI** (Blood Glucose Impact) = the degree to which BG “should” be rising or falling based on insulin activity alone.
  - **ISF** (Insulin Sensitivity Factor; sometimes known as correction factor) = ISF is anchored from the value in your pump; but if you use autotune and/or autosens, the ISF value shown is what is currently being used by OpenAPS, as modified by the Sensitivity Ratio
  - **CR** (Carb Ratio) = As with ISF, it is anchored from the value in your pump; but if you use autotune and/or autosens, the CR value shown is what is currently being used by OpenAPS

- **Eventual BG** = what BG is estimated to be by the end of DIA
  - **minGuardBG**, **IOBpredBG**, **UAMpredBG** = eventual BG predictions based on 1) the lowest your BG is estimated to get over DIA; 2) predictions based on IOB only; and 3) predictions based on current deviations ramping down to zero at the same rate they have been recently. These represent the last entry on the purple prediction lines.

- **Sensitivity Ratio** = the ratio of how sensitive or resistant you are. This ratio is calculated by “Autosensitivity” (or “autosens”), and this ratio is applied to both basal and ISF to adjust accordingly. <1.0 = sensitive; >1.0 = resistant. If your preferences allow it, sensitivityRatio can also be modified by temp targets.

- **Target** = pulled from your pump target; overridden if you have enacted a temporary target running.

- **Carb Impact** = we estimate carb impact by looking at what we predict to happen with your carbs entered (predCI) and adding it to our estimate of the remaining carb impact (remainingCI)

- **Safety Threshold** = **min_bg** - 0.5*(min_bg-40) where **min_bg** is your BG target

You may also see information about settings, either from your pump or from your preferences.json file, that are limiting the insulin dosing decisions that OpenAPS would otherwise make. Make sure to read the preferences page before you set up OpenAPS to understand what settings you have by default, and know how to get back to that page if you ever see a setting displayed in your pill. There is also a handy chart with examples to help you understand how settings may impact the dosing output.
13.3 OpenAPS decision outputs

After taking into account all of the above, oref0 will put out a recommendation of what needs to be done. This also includes the explanation of the variables above, so you can check and assess if you think it’s doing the right thing. Generally, it will display all of the above values, plus the output of the decision of any temporary basal rates and/or boluses it decides it needs. This is the “reason” field.

- Temp basals will be displayed with the duration (length of time temp basal will run. A duration of 0 indicates none is running) and rate (units/hr basal rate).
- You may also see insulinReq, showing how much insulin is needed. This usually displays when OpenAPS is prepping to issue SMB’s (an advanced setting).

13.4 Understanding the purple prediction lines

Once you enable forecast display in your Nightscout configuration, you will be able to see multiple purple line predictions. To do this, click the three dots next to your timeframe horizon (3HR, 6HR, 12HR, 24HR) and then enable “Show OpenAPS Forecasts”. Once enabled, you will have multiple purple line predictions in Nightscout. These purple lines show you the different predictions based on current carb absorption; insulin only; (optional feature: unannounced meal/effect detection); and showing how long it will take BG to level off at/above target if deviations suddenly cease and we run a zero temp until then.

These purple lines are helpful in understanding, at a glance, why OpenAPS is making the decisions it is, based on your near-term and longer-term BG predictions.
13.5 Understanding the basic logic (written version)

Here is a written explanation of the code that you can explore. For some visual and practical examples, see the OpenAPS algorithm examples section.

The OpenAPS reference design algorithm, oref0, determines insulin dosing based on a number of scenarios that it forecasts with different types of predictions. Two of these scenarios, the “eventual” (eventualBG) and “IOB-based” (IOBpredBGs) ones, attempt to predict BGs in situations without (much) carb absorption. Another scenario, the “zero-temp” (ZTpredBGs) one, attempts to predict the “worst likely case” if observed carb absorption suddenly ceases and if a zero-temp were applied until BG begins rising at/above target. The final two scenarios, the COB-based (COBpredBGs) one and the unannounced meal (UAM)-based (UAMpredBGs) one, attempt to predict how long an observed BG rise will continue, to dose appropriately for announced and unannounced meals, and for anything else that causes a sustained rise in BG.

COB-based BG predictions require the announcement of meals, with a rough estimate of carbs. Carb counting need not be precise: any estimate within 1.5x of the actual value will generally be sufficient for near-optimal dosing, as
the COB-based and UAM-based predictions are blended (with the UAM-based dosing constrained by the zero-temp predictions) to generate dosing recommendations. If no carb announcement is provided, UAM-based predictions can be used to reactively dose for a meal rise, which is sufficient, with Fiasp, to bring BG back into range fairly quickly after unannounced meals.

When no carb announcements are available, or when announced carbs are mostly absorbed and COB-based predictions are less reliable, it is also possible to predict that observed deviations will gradually return to zero over some period of time. (A “deviation” term is calculated represent how much BG is currently rising or falling relative to what it should be doing based solely on insulin activity.) Once deviations have peaked and are decreasing at a reasonable rate, oref0’s UAM calculations assume that the deviations will continue to decrease at the same rate until they reach zero. If they’re decreasing, but too slowly, it assumes they’ll decrease linearly to zero over 3 hours. If deviations are still increasing, it assumes they’ll peak immediately and start decreasing at the rate they increased from their recent minimum.

13.5.1 eventualBG

Click here to expand the eventualBG description The simplest and oldest prediction, called eventualBG, uses traditional bolus calculator math.

Specifically, the naive_eventualBG is set to current BG - IOB*ISF.

It also calculates a “deviation” term, which represents how much BG is currently rising or falling relative to what it should be doing based solely on insulin activity. These deviations are projected to continue for the next 30 minutes (or, equivalently, to linearly decrease from the current value to zero over the next 60 minutes).

Then, eventualBG = naive_eventualBG + deviation

13.5.2 IOBpredBGs

Click here to expand the IOBpredBGs description The eventualBG, by its nature, predicts only an eventual BG value, once all insulin activity takes effect.

In order to make predictions about what BGs will do between now and then, oref0 performs a calculation similar to the eventualBG calculation, but every 5 minutes (for 4 hours). In that calculation, the predicted blood glucose impact of insulin (predBGI) and predicted deviation (predDev) are calculated for every 5-minute interval, allowing us to predict a BG value for each interval, which are stored in the IOBpredBGs array. As with the eventualBG calculation, deviations are projected to linearly decrease from the current value to zero over the next 60 minutes, thereby predicting an element of “momentum”.

13.5.3 ZTpredBGs

Click here to expand the ZTpredBGs description Another fairly simple prediction is for what will happen in the “worst likely case,” if observed carb absorption suddenly ceases, and a zero-temp is applied until BG begins rising at/above target.

To do so, oref0 simply calculates what BGI will be every 5 minutes if it sets a long zero-temp immediately, and use those BGIs (without any deviations) to predict a BG value for each interval, which are stored in the ZTpredBGs array.

13.5.4 COBpredBGs

Click here to expand the COBpredBGs description The calculation of predicted BG in the COB-based scenario depends on a calculation of COB. In oref0, the COB is calculated based on observed deviations since carb entry, based on the assumptions that positive deviations were caused by carb absorption, and any low or negative deviations were caused by something else (like physical activity), but that carbs would continue to be digested/absorbed over that time at a configurable minimum rate.

13.5. Understanding the basic logic (written version)
If a user chooses to bolus for their meal, then oref0 can simply wait to observe positive deviations indicating carb absorption and can assume that those deviations will gradually decrease to zero over a timeframe long enough to “use up” all remaining COB. In this scenario, oref0 can simply perform the same calculation as for IOBpredBGs, but use the gradually decreasing predicted carb impact (predCI) value instead of the predDev.

Before such carb absorption is observed, oref0 must make a prediction about how quickly carbs are likely to begin absorbing, so that it can make sure at least some of the insulin needed for the meal is delivered via SMB if the user didn’t already bolus (sufficiently). One of the design goals of oref0 was that users should not have to enter a guess as to the absorption speed of their meal. Instead, oref0 makes a conservative estimate of likely carb absorption, based on the size of the meal, how long ago it was entered, the current sensitivityRatio (from autosens or temp target overrides).

For meals <= 60g, the initial absorption time estimate starts at 3 hours, and for >= 90g, the first 90g is assumed to absorb in 4.5 hours. Anything > 90g is ignored until actual carb absorption is observed by capping COB at 90g.

If carb absorption remains low or drops low at some later time, oref0 predicts that remaining COB will be absorbed more slowly than when carbs were just entered. This is calculated as 1.5x the lastCarbAge, so any carbs not observed to be absorbing after 1 hour are assumed to take 1.5 additional hours to absorb, which means 4.5h for <=60g COB, and 6h for >= 90g.

Once the absorption time is calculated for carbs not yet being absorbed, that is translated into a \- shaped carb absorption curve that increases from the current level of absorption up to a peak value halfway to the assumed absorption time, and then decreases linearly to zero at the assumed absorption time (remainingCATime). The rate of carb absorption predicted at the remainingCIpeak is calculated to ensure that all COB (up to the 90g cap) is absorbed over the remainingCATime.
13.5.5 UAMpredBGs

Click here to expand the UAMpredBGs description When no carb announcements are available, or when announced carbs are mostly absorbed and COB-based predictions are less reliable, it is also possible to predict that observed deviations will gradually return to zero over some period of time. Once deviations have peaked and are decreasing at a reasonable rate, oref0’s UAM calculations assume that the deviations will continue decreasing at that same rate until they reach zero. If they’re decreasing, but too slowly, it assumes they’ll decrease linearly to zero over 3 hours. If deviations are still increasing, it assumes they’ll peak immediately and start decreasing at of the rate they increased from their recent minimum.
13.5.6 Blending relevant predictions

After oref0 generates all relevant predictions (the different predBG arrays, depending on the presence or absence of COB and positive deviations), it:

- blends and combines them to produce estimates of the lowest predicted BGs likely to be observed over the timeframe relevant for dosing,
- calculates how much insulin is required (insulinReq) to bring the minimum predicted BG down toward the target,
- and then uses the insulinReq to calculate an appropriate microbolus or temp basal.

**If no carb announcement is present**, minPredBG is generally set to the higher of minIOBPredBG, the lowest IOBpredBG (starting 90m in the future), and minZTUAMPredBG, which is the average of the lowest UAMPredBG (starting ~60m in the future, minUAMPredBG) and the lowest ZTpredBG (starting immediately, minZTGuardBG).

**When COB from a meal announcement is present**, oref0 sets minPredBG by blending the UAM-and-ZT-based minPredBG described above (minZTUAMPredBG) with the lowest COBpredBG (starting ~90m in the future, minCOBPredBG), according to the fraction of carbs remaining as COB (fractionCarbsLeft).

insulinReq is then set to the difference between the minPredBG and target BG, divided by ISF. Each loop, half of the insulinReq is delivered as a microbolus, and on each subsequent loop the minPredBG is recalculated to calculate a new insulinReq and microbolus.

13.6 OpenAPS algorithm examples

13.6.1 Scenario 1 - Zero Temp for safety

In this example, BG is rising in the near-term time frame; however, it is predicted to be low over a longer time frame. In fact, it is predicted to go below target and the safety threshold. For safety to prevent the low, OpenAPS will issue a zero temp, until the minimum predicted BG is above threshold.
13.6.2 Scenario 2 - Zero temp for safety

In this example, BG is predicted to go low in the near-term, although you are predicted to eventually be above target. However, because the near-term low is actually below the safety threshold, OpenAPS will issue a zero temp, until there is no longer any point of the prediction line that is below threshold.

13.6.3 Scenario 3 - More insulin needed

In this example, a near-term prediction shows a dip below target. However, it is not predicted to be below the safety threshold. The eventual BG is above target. Therefore, OpenAPS will restrain from adding any insulin that would contribute to a near-term low (by adding insulin that would make the prediction go below threshold). It will then assess adding insulin to bring the lowest level of the eventual predicted BG down to target, once it is safe to do so. (Depending on your settings and the amount and timing of insulin required, this insulin may be delivered via temp basals or SMB’s).
13.6.4 Scenario 4 - Low temping for safety

In this example, OpenAPS sees that you are spiking well above your target. However, due to the timing of insulin, you already have enough in your body to bring you into range eventually. In fact, you are predicted to eventually be below target. Therefore, OpenAPS will not provide extra insulin so it will not contribute to a longer-timeframe low. Although you are high/rising, a low temporary basal rate is likely here.

![Diagram showing BG target and threshold over time](image)

13.7 Exploring further

For each different situation, the determine-basal output will be slightly different, but it should always provide a reasonable recommendation and list any temp basal that would be needed to start bringing BG back to target. If you are unclear on why it is making a particular recommendation, you can explore further by searching `lib/determine-basal/determine-basal.js` (the library with the core decision tree logic) for the keywords in the reason field (for example, “setting” in this case would find a line `rT.reason += ", setting " + rate + "U/hr";`) matching the output above, and from there you could read up and see what `if` clauses resulted in making that decision. In this case, it was because (working backwards) `if (snoozeBG > profile.min_bg)` was false (so we took the `else`), but `if (eventualBG < profile.min_bg)` was true (with the explanatory comment to tell you that means “if eventual BG is below target”).

If after reading through the code you are still unclear as to why `determine-basal` made a given decision (or think it may be the wrong decision for the situation), please join the `#intend-to-bolus channel` on Gitter or another support channel, paste your output and any other context, and we’ll be happy to discuss with you what it was doing and why, and whether that’s the best thing to do in that and similar situations.
CHAPTER 14

Understanding all the ways to monitor your rigs

There are two general groups of ways to monitor your rigs:

- Online, meaning it requires the rig to have internet connectivity (via a wifi or hotspot/tethered connection)
- Offline, meaning the rig does not have any internet connectivity
14.1 The main ways of monitoring your rig ONLINE include:

- Papertrail
- Accessing via SSH (either using an app on your phone, or your computer)
- Nightscout
- AndroidAPS NS Client (Download the app-nsclient-release APK from here.)
- Pebble watch (your watchface of choice, such as Urchin)
- Apache Chainsaw

14.2 The main ways of monitoring your rig OFFLINE include:

- Pancreabble (offline connection to your Pebble watch)
- For Android users: “Hot Button“
- Accessing via SSH over Bluetooth, or by using a mobile router so your phone/rig can connect to the same network offline
- For any phone type: Creating a web page that can be accessed on the phone via the rig’s IP address

14.3 You’ll probably come back to this page later to setup different monitoring options

At this point, if you’re not yet set up on OpenAPS, you won’t quite be ready to set up all of the below options for accessing your rig - because your rig is not built yet! But, just know that there are different “online” and “offline” ways to monitor your rig, so you’ll want to think about your preferences for both situations, and know that the instructions on the rest of this page are here when you’re more familiar and are ready to set up some or all of them.

14.4 Accessing your online rig via SSH

See below for different ways to access your rig:

- If your computer and rig are on the same wifi network
- If your computer and rig are on different wifi networks
- If your iPhone and rig are on the same wifi network
14.4.1 If your computer and rig are on the same wifi network

For Mac computers

- Open the Terminal App found in the Utilities folder in Applications.
- Use the command `ssh root@edisonhost.local` (or whatever you named your edison host, in the example below, the hostname was edison1). If this is your first time logging in to the rig on the computer, you may get a message about the authenticity of the host and whether you want to add the key fingerprint to the list of known hosts. Go ahead and answer yes. You will be asked for the password for the rig...enter your root password that you setup in Phase 0 (the default was edison). Realize that keystrokes will not appear as you enter the password. A successful login will result in a screen similar to below.
If you get an error about “could not resolve hostname”, it is likely that your rig is actually connected to a different wifi network than the computer. Try the screen method (directions below) for connecting to your rig.
• If you get a scary looking error about “WARNING: REMOTE HOST IDENTIFICATION HAS CHANGED!”
that is likely because you are attempting to login to a rig that has the same hostname as a previous rig that has
been logged into on the computer. (This is why you want to use unique hostnames if you are going to have
multiple rigs.) You can delete the history of known hosts for the rig by entering the commands `cd .ssh`
and then `rm known_hosts`. This will delete the log of known hosts on your computer. There’s no significant
downside to removing the known_host log, except that you will need to answer yes to the key fingerprint
additions again for the first time you login to old rigs again. After you delete the known hosts, you can use the
`ssh root@edisonhost.local` command to login, as described above.
For Windows computers

- Open PuTTY program
- Click the SSH radio button and then enter the IP address of the rig on the “Host Name” line in PuTTY.
• If you do not know the IP address of the rig, you can obtain it by first logging on using Serial connection (described below) and using the command `ifconfig`.

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• Click the “Open” button in the PuTTY window and, if this is your first time logging into the rig using PuTTY using ssh, you may see a warning regarding the server’s host key. Click yes to add the host key to PuTTY’s cache.
• Login using login name root and password is whatever you changed it to during setup in Phase 0. The default password was edison. As you type the password, no keystrokes will appear on the screen. Successful login will leave you at a prompt for the root user.
14.4.2 If your computer and rig are on different wifi networks

Access to the rig will need a cable to connect the UART port on the rig with the USB port on the computer. You will need a cable capable of transmitting data. If you try all of the steps below and are unsuccessful at connecting, try a new cable.

For Mac computers

- Use the Terminal app on the Mac, or follow these directions for Windows
- If you’re using a Mac, use the command `sudo screen /dev/tty.usbserial-* 115200` to enable “screen” mode. You will be prompted to enter a password. Enter your **computer’s password** not the rig’s password here.
You may see a blank screen. Press RETURN to bring up the edison’s login screen. Login as root and use your root password (you should have changed it from the default of edison during the setup of the rig - if not, please go back and do so now. A successful login will look like below.
• If instead, you see a message at the bottom of the screen that says “Sorry, could not find a PTY.” that usually means the system has not cleared a previous screen session. If you only had the rig connected by one cable in the UART port on rig, you can simply unplug the rig from the computer and move to a new USB port on the computer. If you don’t have any “new” USB ports that were not used by the previous login attempt, then close out terminal app, restart the computer, and try again. This will clear the error.
• If instead you see a message at the bottom of the screen that says “Cannot exec '/dev/tty.usbserial-*': No such file or directory”, double check that you have your rig and computer connected via the rig’s UART port. Using the OTG port will cause this error message. Or typos in the screen command will have same result. Double check your spelling, or better yet...use copy and paste whenever possible.
For Windows Users

- Navigate to your Control Panel and then to Device Manager. Click on the Ports to open your USB serial port. Find the COM port that the rig is connected to. In the screenshot below, COM7. Note: different USB ports will have different numbers. If you regularly plug your rig into the computer and use this connection type, you may need to make sure you update the COM number in the steps below if you are switching between different USB ports.
• Open PuTTY program. Click on the Serial radio button, enter the COM number you got from the previous step into the Serial line number and change the speed to 115200. Click on Open button.
Enter root for the login and the password is whatever you changed it to during setup in Phase 0. The default password was edison. As you type the password, no keystrokes will appear on the screen. Successful login will leave you at a prompt for the root user as shown below.
14.4.3 autossh Reverse Tunnel

If you have an ssh server that is always accessible on the Internet, you can use it as a known hop point to ssh into your rig as long as the rig has an Internet connection.

On the rig, install autossh: `apt-get install autossh`

Your ssh environment must be setup to use key based authentication. (Basic instructions are here.)

On the rig, add the lines below to the `/etc/ssh/ssh_config` file.

```
ServerAliveInterval 60
ServerAliveCountMax 5
```

On the server, add the lines below to the `/etc/ssh/sshd_config` file.

```
ClientAliveInterval 60
ClientAliveCountMax 5
```

The configuration values above ensure when the rig moves from wifi network to wifi network, it will require 5 minutes at most for autossh to establish a new link to the server.

Test the ssh setup by executing autossh on the rig:

```
autossh -f -M 0 -T -N <userid>@[Internet server address] -o "ExitOnForwardFailure yes -" -R 20201:localhost:22
```

Test ssh into the rig from another device by ssh to the internet server address on port 20201 instead of the default port 22:

- connect to the internet server - from that server:
ssh -l root -p 20201 localhost

Once the tests are successful, add a line to your rig crontab to launch autossh at boot using the autossh command above:

```
@reboot autossh -f -M 0 -T -N <userid>@<Internet server address> -o ExitOnForwardFailure yes -R 20201:localhost:22
```

### 14.5 Papertrail remote monitoring of OpenAPS logs (RECOMMENDED)

If you want to remotely view the rig’s logs/loops, you can use Papertrail service. We HIGHLY recommend setting up this service for at least the first month of your OpenAPS use to help remotely and quickly troubleshoot your rig, if you have problems. The first month of Papertrail comes with a very generous amount of free data. If you decide you like the service, you can sign up for a monthly plan. Typically, the monthly cost for using Papertrail with OpenAPS is approximately $5-7 depending on how many rigs you use and how long you’d want to save old data.

#### 14.5.1 Get an account at Papertrail

Go to http://papertrailapp.com and setup a new account. Choose to setup a new system. Notice the header at the top of the new system setup that says the path and port that your logs will go to. You’ll need that information later.
14.6 System logging

Login to your rig. If you need help with that, please see the Accessing Your Rig section of these docs. Copy and paste the code that is displayed in your new system setup’s shaded box, as shown in the red arrowed area in the screen shot above. This will setup papertrail for just your syslogs. But, we now will need to add more (aggregate) your logs such as pump-loop and ns-loop.

14.6.1 Aggregating logs

- Copy and paste each of these four command lines, one at a time. The screenshot below shows the successful results of each command. The first command will run for a short time and end with similar information to the green box. The remaining three commands will not display anything specific as a result of the command.

For Intel Edison rigs, use:

```
wget https://github.com/papertrail/remote_syslog2/releases/download/v0.19/
remote_syslog_linux_i386.tar.gz
```

For Raspberry Pi rigs, use:

```
wget https://github.com/papertrail/remote_syslog2/releases/download/v0.18-beta1/remote_syslog_linux_arm.tar.gz
```

Then, for either rig type, run:

```
tar xzf ./remote_syslog*.tar.gz
cd remote_syslog
sudo cp ./remote_syslog /usr/local/bin
```
• Create the file that will store all the logs you’d like to aggregate:

```bash
vi /etc/log_files.yml
```

• press “i” to enter INSERT mode, and then copy and paste the following (updating your host and port on the lines shown to match what your new system info shows as described above):

```yaml
files:
  - /var/log/openaps/pump-loop.log
  - /var/log/openaps/autosens-loop.log
  - /var/log/openaps/ns-loop.log
  - /var/log/openaps/network.log
  - /var/log/openaps/autotune.log
  - /var/log/openaps/cgm-loop.log
  - /var/log/openaps/pushover.log

destination:
  host: logs5.papertrailapp.com  # NOTE: change this to YOUR papertrail host!
  port: 12345  # NOTE: change to your Papertrail port
  protocol: tls
```

type ESC and “:wq” to save changes and exit.

• Start a new aggregate

```bash
sudo remote_syslog
```

Now you should be able to see your new logs in your papertrail, but we need to make it so this runs automatically when the rig is restarted.
14.6.2 Install auto restart at reboot

- Create a new file that will restart the papertrail logging at reboot

```bash
vi /etc/systemd/system/remote_syslog.service
```

- press “i” to enter INSERT mode, and then copy and paste the following:

```
[Unit]
Description=remote_syslog2
Documentation=https://github.com/papertrail/remote_syslog2
After=network-online.target

[Service]
ExecStartPre=/usr/bin/test -e /etc/log_files.yml
ExecStart=/usr/local/bin/remote_syslog -D
Restart=always
User=root
Group=root

[Install]
WantedBy=multi-user.target
```

type ESC and "wq" to save changes and exit.

- enable the reboot service by using these two commands, one at a time.

```bash
systemctl enable remote_syslog.service
systemctl start remote_syslog.service
```

- reboot your rig to test the papertrail

```bash
reboot
```

and then go to your papertrailapp website to see the log
14.6.3 Optimize Papertrail use

To make the most of your Papertrail logs, setting up some of your account settings and filters will help streamline your troubleshooting.

Account Filters

Adding filters to your incoming Papertrail logs will help minimize unuseful data (and help keep you below your data caps) and streamline your review of your relevant OpenAPS logs. You can go to your Papertrail account’s Settings and then choose the Log Destinations. Click on Log Filters to go to the screen where you can add specific filters.
Click on the Add Log Filter button and add three filters for CRON, libmraa, and sudo. Save the changes and within 60 seconds, your logs will be filtered. The CRON, libmraa, and sudo logs usually provide very little help for troubleshooting OpenAPS problems. You can always undo these filters, if you want to see what those provide in the future.
Saved Searches

Unfortunately, Papertrail does not currently have an app for use on mobile devices. Instead, you will be using an internet browser to view your papertrail. Setting up saved searches, in advance, can help you sort through your logs more efficiently. Most OpenAPS troubleshooting will involve either wifi connection issues or pump communications. Some helpful searches to save in order to find those issues fastest are:

- **pump-loop.log** to see just your pump loop...similar to using the `l` command when logged into your rig.
- **network** will show just your oref0-online results and whether/which wifi network your rig is connected to. If you see results of 192.168.1.XX, then your rig is likely connected to a wifi network. If you see results of 172.20.10.XX then your rig is likely connected to your phone’s personal hotspot. If you see error, cycling network results, you should check out troubleshooting steps.
- **pump-loop.log adjust** will show your basal and ISF adjustments being made by autosens, if enabled.

If you are running multiple rigs, you can also setup these searches to include the hostname of a particular rig, if you want to see results just for that rig. For example, this screenshot below would be saving a search for a particular rig with the hostname of `edison1` and only for its pump-loop.log.
Once you get your desired searches saved, it is an easy process to make them more accessible on your mobile device by using its browser’s **add to homescreen** button. For example, below are the quick links to the saved searches for an OpenAPS user with three rigs...
14.6.4 Troubleshooting using Papertrail

Papertrail can be very valuable to quickly troubleshoot a rig, because it is quite easy to see all the loops that log information about your rig’s actions. BUT, the way that the information comes into Papertrail is based on the time the action took place. So, you’ll be seeing information stream by that may or may not help you troubleshoot WHICH area your issues are.

First, let’s start with messages that ARE NOT ERRORS

- Anything in the first 15 minutes (pretty much) of a new loop setup. Let the loop run for 15 minutes before you start to investigate the messages. Many messages resolve themselves during that time, such as `cat: enact/enacted.json: No such file or directory` is because the loop hasn’t enacted a temp basal suggestion yet...so the file doesn’t exist.

- Radio ok. Listening: `.No pump comms detected from other rigs` This message is NOT an error. This means your rig is checking to make sure it is not interrupting another rig that may already be talking to your pump. It’s being polite.

- `[system] Failed to activate service 'org.freedesktop.hostname1':` timed out This message is NOT an error. Jubilinux does not use the hostname service...so it does not activate.

- Many messages that say there are failures, are not really failures for your rig. For example, there are a lot of scary looking messages when your rig is changing networks from wifi to/from BT...an unfiltered papertrail will show every message like this:

![Unfiltered Papertrail](image)

But, really, most of those messages are the normal course of the rig telling you what’s going on. Like “Hey, I seem to have disconnected from the wifi...I’m going to look for BT now. Hold on. I need to organize myself. Bringing up my stuff I need to find BT. Ok, found a BT device. Well, I can connect to it, but some of the features I don’t need...like an audio BT connection.” But, the rig doesn’t speak English...it speaks code. So, if you don’t speak code...sometimes a filter for `network` might help you filter for the English bits of info a little better. Here’s what that same period of time looked like with a `network` filter applied. It’s a little more clear that my rig was changing from a BT tether to a wifi connection when you filter the results.

![Filtered Papertrail](image)
Therefore when you start to troubleshoot, **USE YOUR FILTERS** to narrow down the logs that you are looking at. Here are some specific errors/issues you may find.

**PUMP TUNING**

Use `pump-loop` search filter to start with. What messages are you seeing? Poor pump comms are one of the most frequent causes of loops stopping. If you see `916, 0, -99` tuning results, then you know that your rig is not getting a usable communication with your pump. Try moving your pump and rig closer together. Check if your pump battery is good.
Ideally you should be seeing pump tuning somewhat like the filter for mmtune below shows...this is a kid at school, carrying the rig in a purse/backpack. Some periods of time she leaves her rig behind (like PE class) and other shorter times where there’s poor pump comms. But, generally speaking seeing mmtune results in the 70s and 80s will sustain good looping.

**GIT LOCK**

There are files that get written to in a directory called /root/myopenaps/.git Sometimes a process crashes and causes a file in that directory to get locked and the writing can’t continue. Your loop may fail as a result. This can be a short term issue, and it could resolve on its own...other times it may require you to delete the file that is causing the problem. For example, below is a short-term error. The message says there is a problem in the /root/myopenaps/ .git and I may need to remove that file to get things going again. However, you can also see that a few minutes later, the problem resolved on its own.

If you find a .git lock error is causing a long period of time where your loop is failing, you can remove the file, as the error suggests by using `rm -rf /root/myopenaps/.git/filename` or you can delete the whole .git directory (it will get rebuilt by the loop automatically) with `rm -rf /root/myopenaps/.git`
FLAKEY WIFI

Having flaky router or wifi issues? Some routers or ISPs (I still haven’t completely determined the cause) will not work nice with the Avahi-daemon. What the means for you...spotty time staying connected to your wifi. Does your rig not loop consistently? Sometimes are you getting kicked out of ssh sessions with your rig? Look for the message shown in the screenshot below:
Or alternatively, if you see this message when you login to your rig:
The solution to this is to login to your rig and use this command `systemctl disable avahi-daemon` as shown below.
AND also make this edit using `vi /etc/default/avahi-daemon`. Change the number on the last line from 1 to 0 so that it reads `AVAHI_DAEMON_DETECT_LOCAL=0` as shown in the screenshot below. (remember `i` to enter INSERT mode for editing, and `esc` and `:wq` to save and exit the editor)
reboot your rig after the change to enable the fix.

**subg_rfspy state or version??**

If your loop is failing, lights are staying on, and you see repeated error messages about “Do you have the right subg_rfsby state or version?” as below, then you need to head to this section of docs to fix that issue. Don’t worry, it is a 5 minute fix. Very straight-forward.

```
File "...", line 121, in sync
  raise CommException("Could not get subg_rfspy state or version. Have you got the right port/device and radio_type?"
meowlink.exceptions.CommException: Could not get subg_rfspy state or version. Have you got the right port/device and radio_type?
  http://JSON/meowlink/monitor/meowlink.json
```
Lights stay on
14.7 Apache-chainsaw

If your computer and rig are on the same wifi network you can use Apache Chainsaw2 from a pc (running windows/mac/linux) to watch your logs. Chainsaw2 main advantages are:

1. Easy setup.
2. Strong filtering capabilities.
3. Strong finding capabilities.
4. Coloring capabilities.
5. Adding marker capabilities.
6. Logs can be searched for a long time (kept locally on the rig).
7. Can tail new data.

example picture:

14.7.1 To setup apache chainsaw on your computer, follow the following instructions:

1. Download the following version of apache chainsaw from here: https://github.com/tzachi-dar/logging-chainsaw/releases/download/2.0.0.1/apache-chainsaw-2.0.0-standalone.zip (please note this version was changed to fit the openaps project, other releases of apache chainsaw will not work with a rpii).
2. Unzip the file.
3. On your pc, create a configuration file called openaps.xml with the following data (for example notepad openaps.xml):

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<!DOCTYPE log4j:configuration >
<log4j:configuration xmlns:log4j="http://jakarta.apache.org/log4j/" debug="true">
```
<append name="A2" class="org.apache.log4j.ConsoleAppender">
  <layout class="org.apache.log4j.SimpleLayout"/>
</append>

<plugin name="VFSLogFileReceiver1" class="org.apache.log4j.chainsaw.vfs.VFSLogFilePatternReceiver">
  <param name="fileURL" value="sftp://root:password@192.168.1.20:22/var/log/openaps/openaps-date.log"/>
  <param name="name" value="sampleVFSLogFileReceiver1"/>
  <param name="tailing" value="true"/>
  <param name="timestampFormat" value="yyyy-MM-dd HH:mm:ss"/>
  <param name="logFormat" value="TIMESTAMP LOGGER MESSAGE"/>
  <param name="autoReconnect" value="false"/>
  <param name="group" value="group"/>
</plugin>

<root>
  <level value="debug"/>
</root>
</log4j:configuration>

Make sure to replace the password, with your rig’s password, and 192.168.1.20 with the ip/hostname of your rig.

4. run chainsaw by the command: bin/chainsaw.bat (pc) or bin/chainsaw (linux and mac)

5. From the file menu choose ‘load chainsaw configuration’


7. press open file.

8. choose the file openaps.xml

9. (optional) mark the checkbox “always start chainsaw with this configuration.”

Chainsaw has a welcome tab and a good tutorial, use them. Still here are a few highlights:

1. To see only pump-loop you can either select ‘focus on openaps.pump-loop.log’ or on the refine focus on field enter ‘logger==openaps.pump-loop’

2. To filter only messages that contain the words ‘autosens ratio’ enter on the ‘refine focus’ logger==openaps.pump-loop & msg~='autosens ratio'

3. To highlight lines that contain ‘refine focus’, enter msg~='autosens ratio’ on the find tab.

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14.8 Accessing your offline rig

14.8.1 Pancreabble - offline connection to Pebble watch

*(TO DO Note - Pancreabble instructions for OpenAPS need to be re-worked to reflect the oref0-setup script way of making it work. Below is notes about Pancreabble setup prior to oref0-setup.sh being in existence.)*

**Pancreabble** is a way to monitor your loop *locally*, by pairing a Pebble smartwatch directly with the Raspberry Pi or Intel Edison.

In other words, whereas the default setup looks like this:

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Raspberry Pi/Intel Edison -> network -> Nightscout server -> network -> smartphone
| -> laptop
|    -> Pebble watch

And by default, your Pebble is paired thus:

smartphone -> Bluetooth -> Pebble watch

With Pancreabble, the setup looks like this:

Raspberry Pi/Intel Edison -> Bluetooth -> Pebble watch

Using a Pebble watch can be especially helpful during the “open loop” phase: you can send the loop’s recommendations directly to your wrist, making it easy to evaluate the decisions it would make in different contexts during the day (before/after eating, when active, etc.).

See Pancreabble for initial setup instructions.

Once you’ve done the first stages above, you’ll need to do generate a status file that can be passed over to the Pebble Urchin watch face. Fortunately, the core of this is available in oref0.

Go to ~src/oref0/bin and look for peb-urchin-status.sh. This gives you the basic framework to generate output files that can be used with Pancreabble. To use it, you’ll need to install jq using:

apt-get install jq

If you get errors, you may need to run apt-get update ahead of attempting to install jq.

Once jq is installed, the shell script runs and produces the urchin-status.json file which is needed to update the status on the pebble. It can be incorporated into an alias that regularly updates the pebble. You can modify it to produce messages that you want to see there.

When installing the oref0-setup you will need to replace all instances of AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF with the Pebble MAC address. This can be found in Settings/System/Information/BT Address. NOTE: Make sure the MAC address is in ALL CAPS.

Once you’ve installed, you will need to pair the watch to your Edison.

Bluetooth setup for Pancreabble

- Restart the Bluetooth daemon to start up the bluetooth services. (This is normally done automatically by oref0-online once everything is set up, but we want to do things manually this first time):

  sudo killall bluetoothd

- Wait a few seconds, and run it again, until you get bluetoothd: no process found returned. Then start it back up again:

  sudo /usr/local/bin/bluetoothd --experimental &

- Wait at least 10 seconds, and then run:

  sudo hciconfig hci0 name $HOSTNAME

- If you get a Can't change local name on hci0: Network is down (100) error, start over with killall and wait longer between steps.

- Now launch the Bluetooth control program: bluetoothctl

- And run: power off
• then `power on`
• and each of the following:

```
discoverable on
scan on
agent on
default-agent
```

**On Your Pebble**

Settings/BLUETOOTH to make sure Pebble is in pairing mode

from terminal

```
```

you might need to do this several times before it pairs

you will see on the edison

```
Request confirmation [agent] Confirm passkey 123456 (yes/no): yes
```

• (WARNING: You must type in `yes` not just `y` to pair)

Once paired, type quit to exit.

Currently the `peb-urchin-status.sh` has 1 notification and 3 different options for urchin messages. In your APS directory there is a file called `pancreoptions.json`

```
"urchin_loop_on": true,  # turn on or off urchin watchface update
"urchin_loop_status": false, # gives a message on urchin watchface that it’s running
"urchin_iob": true, # gives a message on urchin watchface of current IOB
"urchin_temp_rate": false, # gives a message on urchin watchface of current temp
"notify_temp_basal": false # notification of temp basal when one shows up in enact/
```

Note only one of the messages for the urchin watchface can be true at once

the `peb-urchin-status.sh` gets called from the crontab and will run automatically. By default the `urchin_loop_on`, and `urchin_iob` is set to true. You must manually change `notify_temp_basal` to true to start getting temp basal notifications. you can edit this file using `nano pancreoptions.json` from your APS directory.

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### 14.8.2 Hot Button - for Android users

**Purpose**

NOTE: The Hotbutton app linked below has disappeared from Google Play. There are several others available if you search “SSH Button”, but the app setup instructions won’t match exactly.

**Hot Button app** can be used to monitor and control OpenAPS using SSH commands. It is especially useful for offline setups. Internet connection is not required, it is enough to have the rig connected to your android smartphone using bluetooth tethering.

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### 14.8. Accessing your offline rig
App Setup

To set up a button you need to long click. Then go to Server Settings. For Server’s IP, add the IP address that your rig has when connected to your phone. Under Server’s Port, add the port number 22. Under Authentication Settings, you need to add your rig’s username, password, and the root password. Be sure that the password for the private key file is blank unless you are setting up a key authentication (which is not necessary). Go back to the previous button setup screen and click “Set as default!”. This will save all your server settings so that you can easily load them onto each new button you make.

Basic commands

For the Command part of the button setup you can write any command which you would run in the ssh session. (If you are running a command that would need to be run with root privileges, be sure to check the box “Execute as root!”)

Here are some suggested commands:

To show Automatic Sensitivity ratio, you can set:  
```
cat /root/myopenaps/settings/autosens.json
```
To show the last enacted loop, you can set:  
```
cat /root/myopenaps/enact/enacted.json
```
To show your rig’s network name, you can set:  
```
iwgetid -r
```
To show your rig’s battery status, you can set:  
```
cat /root/myopenaps/monitor/edison-battery.json
```
To show your pump’s battery status, you can set:  
```
cat /root/myopenaps/monitor/battery.json
```

After setting up the button, simply click it to execute the command. The results are displayed in the black text area below the buttons. You can change the font size of the text in the box, and you can add more buttons under the main Hot Button menu.

Temporary targets

It is possible to use Hot Button application for setup of temporary targets. The ore0 repo has a script named ore0-append-local-target that sets a temp target locally on the rig.

To set an activity mode target of 130 mg/dL for 60m, run:  
```
oref0-append-local-temptarget 130 60
```
To set an eating soon mode target of 80 mg/dL for 30m, run:  
```
oref0-append-local-temptarget 80 30
```

SSH Login Speedup

To speed up the command execution you can add to the `/etc/ssh/sshd_config` the following line:  
```
UseDNS no
```

14.8.3 Accessing your offline rig via SSH over Bluetooth

Your phone and rig must be BT paired and connected over BT PAN. See https://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/Customize-Iterate/bluetooth-tethering-edison.html for BT PAN configuration. When you first open Termius on your mobile device (JuiceSSH and SimpleSSH are also good choices) it will prompt you to add a new host. Click the + button to add a new host. Turn the toggle on for Use SSH and then fill out the following information:

- **Alias** - use an alias name that let’s you know which rig and which connection point this host is for, for example YourRigName on device BT
- **Hostname** - Enter the IP address of the rig as assigned by your BT PAN
- **Username** - click to the left of the little blue man and type root
- **Password** - Enter your rig’s root password (default is “edison” but you should have changed it during setup)
Click Save in the upper right corner. You should now see the host you just created. If you click on that host, you’ll see a message that it is connecting (first time connections will ask if you want to save the rig to known hosts, click continue and then you’ll be connected to a terminal app screen. You can now issue commands and edit files just like you can over an SSH connection from your computer.

14.8.4 Accessing your offline rig via SSH when your phone and rig are connected to the same network

Just like the trick for getting internet to your rig through a network that requires you to log in via a portal (a “captive” network), a mobile router (e.g. HooToo) or other brand) can create a network that allows your phone and rig both to be connected, allowing you to then SSH into your rig, just as if they were connected via cellular.

You can then use the same methods to SSH in for the phone or computer (that you’re using to SSH) being on the same network as the rig.

Note: you will want to set your mobile router up in advance, and give it the same network name and password as a network already on your rig; or otherwise make sure to add the network and password to your rig before you travel and want to use this offline.

Generally, the steps for getting online with the HooToo, which you should practice with before you travel:

- Plug in the HooToo/turn it on.
- Use your phone or computer and join the HooToo network.
- If you plan to loop offline and just want to SSH in, you should be able to SSH in and see your logs.

For using the HooToo to join plane or hotel wifi, after you’ve joined the HooToo router network:

- Open a browser and type in a URL (e.g. cnn.com) and hit enter. This should redirect you to the HooToo log in page.
- Follow your router’s instructions for how to get to the network page and scan and click to join the right network.
- Open another tab, type a URL again (e.g. cnn.com) and hit enter. This should take you to the login page (e.g. GoGo or the captive portal of the hotel wifi). Input your credentials or otherwise log in. Once you’re successfully through that step, the router is online and will begin sharing the internet connectivity with the other devices that are joined to the network.

14.8.5 Offline web page from rig - for any phone user

Starting with oref0 0.6.1, you can enable a rig hosted offline webpage that can be accessed over a local LAN. To do this, simply open a web browser and go to your rig’s IP address. In most cases, this will be in the format 192.168.x.x
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**IOB:** 4.725 U

**COB:** 75 g

**Enacted:** 0 for 60min + SMB 0.4U

**Temp basal:** 0 for 52min

**Insulin Req:** 0.85 U

**Sensitivity Ratio:** 1.06

**Eventual BG:** 225 mg/dL

**Pump:** 230.1U, 1.45v, normal

**hellocomputer:** 58%, 3.76v
104
+5 mg/dL
BG 3 min ago
Looped NaN min ago

IOB: 4.567 U
COB: 81 g
Enacted: 0 for 60min + SMB 0.4U

Temp basal: 0 for 60min
Insulin Req: 0.85 U
Pump: 230.1U, 1.45v, normal

Sensitivity Ratio: 1.06
Eventual BG: 245 mg/dL
hellocomputer: 58%, 3.76v
The box around your current BG will be either green or red, depending on the last time OpenAPS was able to successfully complete a pump-loop. The box functions similarly to the OpenAPS pill in Nightscout. If you tap on it, you will be able to view more info about the current state of your rig and its decision making process.
OpenAPS on hellocomputer

**Enacted:** 1 min ago. [BG: 104, COB: 81, Dev: 98, BGI: -12, ISF: 41, CR: 9.4, Target: 95, minPredBG 130, minGuardBG 106, IOBpredBG 39, COBpredBG 245, UAMPredBG 198; insulinReq 0.85; setting 60m low temp of 0U/h. Microbolusing 0.4U. ]

**Suggested:** 1 min ago. [BG: 104, COB: 81, Dev: 98, BGI: -12, ISF: 41, CR: 9.4, Target: 95, minPredBG 130, minGuardBG 106, IOBpredBG 39, COBpredBG 245, UAMPredBG 198; insulinReq 0.85; setting 60m low temp of 0U/h. Microbolusing 0.4U. ]

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<tr>
<th>Temp basal: 0 for 60min</th>
<th>Sensitivity Ratio: 1.06</th>
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<tr>
<td>Insulin Req: 0.85 U</td>
<td>Eventual BG: 245 mg/dL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pump: 230.1U, 1.45v, normal</td>
<td>hellocomputer: 58%, 3.76v</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
NOTE: If the webpage does not load, check your crontab. On master (oref0 version 0.6.x) your crontab should contain the line 
@reboot cd ~/src/oref0/www && export FLASK_APP=app.py && flask run -p 80 --host=0.0.0.0 You can check this by logging into your rig and typing crontab -l. If you need to edit your crontab the command is crontab -e.

14.8.6 Old instructions for an offline webpage. It is HIGHLY recommended that you use the method above for oref0 0.6.0 or greater.

TODO - implement this as a proper oref0 script that can be installed by oref0-setup

This allows you to extract data from the various files that OpenAPS creates and access the locally from the phone that is connected to the rig, giving a full information set.

A. First, you need to set up the script that will do this for you. An example is shown below:

```bash
rm ~/myopenaps/enact/index.html
touch ~/myopenaps/enact/index.html
(cat ~/myopenaps/enact/smb-enacted.json | jq -r .timestamp | awk '{print substr($0,12,5)}') >> ~/myopenaps/enact/index.html
(cat ~/myopenaps/enact/smb-enacted.json | jq -r .reason) >> ~/myopenaps/enact/index.html
( echo -n 'TBR: ' && cat ~/myopenaps/enact/smb-enacted.json | jq .rate ) >> ~/myopenaps/enact/index.html
( echo -n 'IOB: ' && cat ~/myopenaps/enact/smb-enacted.json | jq .IOB ) >> ~/myopenaps/enact/index.html
( echo -n 'Edison Battery: ' && cat ~/myopenaps/monitor/edison-battery.json | jq .battery | tr ' \n ' ' ' && echo '%') >> ~/myopenaps/enact/index.html
( echo -n 'Insulin Remaining: ' && cat ~/myopenaps/monitor/reservoir.json ) >> ~/myopenaps/enact/index.html
```

Create the above script by running nano /root/myopenaps/http.sh, then paste the above, and save it.

You may need to adjust the values in '{print substr($0,12,5)}' - whilst I know these work on the rigs I have set them up on, other's have had better results with {print substr($0,13,5)}'

B. You will also need to start up the SimpleHTTPserver service that is already installed on jubilinux in the location you will place your file. This is done by adding the following line to your Cron (refer to the resources section for help on editing crontabs):

```bash
@reboot cd /root/myopenaps/enact && python -m SimpleHTTPServer 1337
```

The final thing to do is to make sure the script runs regularly to collect the data and publish it. This requires an additional cron line:

```bash
*/5 * * * * (bash /root/myopenaps/http.sh) 2>&1 | tee -a /var/log/openaps/http.log
```

In this case the script is running from the /root directory and I am publishing to the ~/myopenaps/enact directory.

C. Accessing via your phone

**IPHONE USERS:** To access this from an iphone browser, enter something like the following:

```
http://172.20.10.x:1337/index.html
```

and you should receive an unformatted html page with the data in it. The value you need will be the ip address you see when you first set up bluetooth on your rig, and can be found using `ifconfig` when your rig is connected to your phone via bluetooth. If you want to improve the output for a browser, the script can be modified to generate html tags that will allow formatting and could provide colouring if various predicted numbers were looking too low.
ANDROID USERS: On Android, you can download http-widget and add a widget to your home screen that will display this data. You will need the IP address that your rig uses. If you are using xdrip as your glucose data source, it is the same as the value you use there.

SAMSUNG GEAR S3 WATCH USERS: If you use a Samsung Gear S3 watch, you can use the above http-widget with Wearable Widgets to view what OpenAPS is doing locally, without internet connection.
Understanding your preferences and safety settings

All of the settings specific to OpenAPS (that can’t be read from the pump) will live in this file, so when running the setup scripts or building your loop, you will have the preferences.json file built for the system to read, in addition to your pump profile settings. Many of these are important safety settings, with reasonable default settings, so other than described below, you likely won’t need to adjust these. If you do decide to adjust a setting, the best practice is to adjust one setting at a time, and observe the impact for 3 days. Changing multiple variables at once is a recipe for a lot of headaches and a lot of painful troubleshooting.

(Note that there are some preferences that show up by default; these are the most commonly adjusted. There are additional preferences available to set that are not used by everyone, and are described below - any of these can also be added to the preferences.json)

Click here to expand a clickable list to jump to each preference:

- Editing your preferences.json
- Commonly-adjusted preferences:
  - max IOB:
  - max daily safety multiplier:
  - current basal safety multiplier:
  - Important Note About Safety Multipliers:
    * A few examples:
      - autosens_max:
      - autosens_min:
      - rewind_resets_autosens:
      - unsuspend_if_no_temp:
      - carbsReqThreshold
      - curve: “rapid-acting”
      - useCustomPeakTime
– insulinPeakTime

• oref1-related preferences:
  – enableSMB_after_carbs
  – enableSMB_with_COB
  – enableSMB_with_temptarget
  – enableUAM
  – enableSMB_always
  – enableSMB_after_carbs
  – allowSMB_with_high_temptarget
  – maxSMBBasalMinutes
  – maxUAMSMBBasalMinutes

• Exercise-mode related preferences:
  – exercise_mode
  – high_temptarget_raises_sensitivity
  – low_temptarget_lowers_sensitivity
  – sensitivity_raises_target
  – resistance_lowers_target:
  – half_basal_exercise_target

• Pushover related preferences
  – pushover_snooze:
  – pushover_only:
  – pushover_sound:
  – pushover_priority:
  – pushover_retry:
  – pushover_expire:

• Other preferences:
  – autosens_adjust_targets:
  – adv_target_adjustments:
  – skip_neutral_temps:
  – bolussnooze_dia_divisor:
  – min_5m_carbimpact:
  – carbratio_adjustmentratio:
  – maxCOB:
  – remainingCarbsCap:
  – remainingCarbsFraction:
  – autotune_isf_adjustmentFraction:
15.1 Editing your preferences.json

Your preferences are found in the directory `myopenaps/preferences.json`. To edit any of your preferences, you can enter `edit-pref` as a shortcut or `cd ~/myopenaps && nano preferences.json`

To check your edits when you’re done, use `cd ~/myopenaps && cat preferences.json` When editing preferences, it’s advised to do so in terminal (not a word processor) in order to ensure ascii characters are used within your preferences file.

IMPORTANT: Any variables that are not `true`, `false`, or a number MUST be inclosed in straight (not curly) quotes.

```
1. "max_iob": 0,        <-- Zero is a number, so no quotes necessary.
2. "enableUAM": false,  <-- True/False do not require quotes
3. "curve": "rapid-acting" <-- "Rapid-acting" is not true/false or a number, so it must be inclosed in quotes.
```

15.2 Commonly-adjusted preferences:

```
{
    "max_iob": 0,
    "max_daily_safety_multiplier": 3,
    "current_basal_safety_multiplier": 4,
    "autosens_max": 1.2,
    "autosens_min": 0.7,
    "rewind_resets_autosens": true,
    "adv_target_adjustments": true,
    "unsuspend_if_no_temp": false,
    "enableSMB_after_carbs": false,
    "enableSMB_with_COB": false,
    "enableSMB_with_temptarget": false,
    "enableUAM": false,
    "curve": "rapid-acting"
}
```

15.2.1 max_iob:

`max_iob` is an important safety setting for your OpenAPS set up. Beginning with oref0 0.6.0 and beyond, `max_iob` is the maximum amount of insulin on board from all sources – both basal (or SMB correction) and bolus insulin – that your loop is allowed to accumulate to treat higher-than-target BG. Unlike the other two OpenAPS safety settings (`max_daily_safety_multiplier` and `current_basal_safety_multiplier`), `max_iob` is set as a fixed number of units of insulin. Note that, in previous releases, `max_iob` reflected basal insulin on board only.

In determining your `max_iob` setting, you should consider both your typical meal bolus size and your current basal rate settings when setting this safety parameter. A good rule of thumb to start out with is for `max_iob` to be no more than 3 times your highest basal rate PLUS your typical meal bolus. You can start conservatively and change this setting over time as you evaluate how the OpenAPS system works for you. For people using the advanced features such as...
SMB (especially those using Fiasp and intending for SMB to replace meal boluses), you will likely need to increase your max_iob.

When you run the OpenAPS setup script, it will prompt you to set your max_iob. In previous oref0 releases (0.4.3 or older), the setup script automatically set max_iob to 0 units. This effectively made your initial OpenAPS installation only capable of setting temp basal rates in response to BG levels that were below your target BG levels. (And if your BG level is sufficiently below your target BG level, OpenAPS will set a 30 min. temporary basal rate of 0u/hr., which is often referred to as a “low glucose suspend”.) Again, you can start conservatively and change this setting over time as you evaluate how the OpenAPS system works for you.

The setting you choose during the setup script will be saved in the oref0-runagain script and can be used again if you need to rerun the script.

15.2.2 max_daily_safety_multiplier:

This is an important OpenAPS safety limit. The default setting (which is unlikely to need adjusting) is 3. This means that OpenAPS will never be allowed to set a temporary basal rate that is more than 3x the highest hourly basal rate programmed in a user’s pump, or, if enabled, determined by autotune.

15.2.3 current_basal_safety_multiplier:

This is another important OpenAPS safety limit. The default setting (which is also unlikely to need adjusting) is 4. This means that OpenAPS will never be allowed to set a temporary basal rate that is more than 4x the current hourly basal rate programmed in a user’s pump, or, if enabled, determined by autotune.

15.2.4 Important Note About Safety Multipliers:

max_daily_safety_multiplier and current_basal_safety_multiplier work together, along with your pump’s max basal rate safety setting (set on your pump in the “Basal” menu under “Max Basal Rate”).

OpenAPS will determine maxSafeBasal as the lowest of three values:

- the user’s max basal rate setting (which is set in the user’s pump)
- max_daily_safety_multiplier * the highest programmed basal rate (as specified by the basal rates in the user’s pump or, if enabled, determined by autotune)
- current_basal_safety_multiplier * the user’s current basal rate (as specified by the current basal rate programmed in the user’s pump or, if enabled, determined by autotune)

If the temporary basal rate setting recommended by OpenAPS (as determined in oref0/lib/determine-basal/determine-basal.js) exceeds maxSafeBasal, maxSafeBasal is used instead.

The following message will be reported to the pump-loop.log:

```
adj. req. rate: X.X to maxSafeBasal: Y.Y
```

You can also view this message in the Nightscout OpenAPS pill (which pops up a detailed message about recent OpenAPS activity if you hover your mouse over the OpenAPS pill):
15.2. Commonly-adjusted preferences:
A few examples:

<table>
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<tr>
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<th>Example 1</th>
<th>Example 2</th>
<th>Example 3</th>
<th>Example 4</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>user’s max basal safety setting (in pump)</td>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>2.0</td>
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<td>user’s current basal rate</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>user’s highest programmed basal rate</td>
<td>1.5</td>
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<td>0.8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OpenAPS recommended temp basal rate</td>
<td>3.0</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>2.4</td>
<td>2.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Actual temp basal rate allowed</td>
<td>2.0</td>
<td>1.6</td>
<td>2.4</td>
<td>2.4</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- **In Example 1**, the user’s max basal safety setting is the constraining limit on the OpenAPS recommended temp basal rate.
- **In Example 2**, 4x the user’s current basal rate is the constraining limit on the OpenAPS recommended temp basal rate.
- **In Example 3**, the user’s current basal rate is at his/her highest programmed rate, but none of the safety constraints are binding; the OpenAPS recommended temp basal rate is delivered.
- **In Example 4**, 3x the user’s highest programmed basal rates is the constraining limit on the OpenAPS recommended temp basal rate.

About “sensitivity”

Sensitivity, or the sensitivity ratio, refers to autosens calculation of your current, presumably temporary, sensitivity to your normal insulin basal rates. The sensitivity ratio is relative to basal rates, so when using it for ISF it is inverted. Simply put, current insulin basal rate = normal insulin basal rate * sensitivity ratio, while current ISF = normal ISF / sensitivity ratio. So, for example if autosens detects you are more sensitive to insulin, it will lower your sensitivity ratio, e.g., to 0.8. Then, when determining the basal rate, it will use the sensitivity ratio of 0.8 to calculate your corrected basal rate, as normal basal rate * 0.8 (resulting in a lower basal rate), and your ISF as normal ISF / 0.8 (resulting in a higher ISF, i.e., more BG change per insulin unit). If you are less sensitive to insulin, it will raise your sensitivity ratio, e.g., to 1.2, resulting in basal rate of normal rate * 1.2 (a higher basal rate), and ISF of normal ISF / 1.2 (a lower ISF, i.e., less BG change per insulin unit).

**autosens_max:**

This is a multiplier cap for autosens (and autotune) to set a 20% max limit on how high the autosens ratio can be, which in turn determines how high autosens can adjust basals, how low it can adjust ISF, and how low it can set the BG target.

**autosens_min:**

The other side of the autosens safety limits, putting a cap on how low autosens can adjust basals, and how high it can adjust ISF and BG targets.
rewind_resets_autosens:

This feature, enabled by default, resets the autosens ratio to neutral when you rewind your pump, on the assumption that this corresponds to a probable site change. Autosens will begin learning sensitivity anew from the time of the rewind, which may take up to 6 hours. If you usually rewind your pump independently of site changes, you may want to consider disabling this feature.

unsuspend_if_no_temp:

Many people occasionally forget to resume / unsuspend their pump after reconnecting it. If you’re one of them, and you are willing to reliably set a zero temp basal whenever suspending and disconnecting your pump, this feature has your back. If enabled, it will automatically resume / unsuspend the pump if you forget to do so before your zero temp expires. As long as the zero temp is still running, it will leave the pump suspended.

carbsReqThreshold

grams of carbsReq to trigger a pushover. Defaults to 1 (for 1 gram of carbohydrate). Can be increased if you only want to get Pushover for carbsReq at X threshold.

curve: “rapid-acting”

Rapid-acting is the default in 0.6.0 and beyond. You can change this to “ultra-rapid” for Fiasp (see here for other tips on switching to Fiasp), or “bilinear” for using the old curve. Most people prefer the rapid-acting curve over bilinear for Humalog/Novolog. Read more here to understand the differences in the activity curves.

useCustomPeakTime

Defaults to false. Setting to true allows changing insulinPeakTime

insulinPeakTime

Defaults to 75 for rapid acting (Humalog, Novolog). This is the number of minutes after a bolus activity peaks. Defaults to 55m for Fiasp if useCustomPeakTime: false

15.3 oref1-related preferences:

These preference should not be enabled until you’ve been looping (and running autotune) for several weeks and are confident that all of your basals and ratios are correct. Please read the oref1 section of the docs before doing so.

15.3.1 enableSMB_with_COB

This enables supermicrobolus (SMB) while carbs on board (COB) is positive.

15.3.2 enableSMB_with_temptarget

This enables supermicrobolus (SMB) with eating soon / low temp targets. With this feature enabled, any temporary target below 100mg/dL, such as a temp target of 99 (or 80, the typical eating soon target) will enable SMB.
15.3.3 enableUAM

This enables detection of unannounced meal (UAM) carb absorption.

15.3.4 enableSMB_always

Defaults to false. When true, always enable supermicrobolus (unless disabled by high temptarget).

15.3.5 enableSMB_after_carbs

Defaults to false. When true, enables supermicrobolus (SMB) for 6h after carbs, even with 0 carbs on board (COB).

15.3.6 allowSMB_with_high_temptarget

Defaults to false. When true, allows supermicrobolus (if otherwise enabled) even with high temp targets.

15.3.7 maxSMBBasalMinutes

Defaults to start at 30. This is the maximum minutes of basal that can be delivered as a single SMB with uncovered COB. This gives the ability to make SMB more aggressive if you choose. It is recommended that the value is set to start at 30, in line with the default, and if you choose to increase this value, do so in no more than 15 minute increments, keeping a close eye on the effects of the changes. It is not recommended to set this value higher than 90 mins, as this may affect the ability for the algorithm to safely zero temp. It is also recommended that pushover is used when setting the value to be greater than default, so that alerts are generated for any predicted lows or highs.

15.3.8 maxUAMSMBBasalMinutes

Defaults to start at 30. This is the maximum minutes of basal that can be delivered by UAM as a single SMB when IOB exceeds COB. This gives the ability to make UAM more or less aggressive if you choose. It is recommended that the value is set to start at 30, in line with the default, and if you choose to increase this value, do so in no more than 15 minute increments, keeping a close eye on the effects of the changes. Reducing the value will cause UAM to dose less insulin for each SMB. It is not recommended to set this value higher than 60 mins, as this may affect the ability for the algorithm to safely zero temp. It is also recommended that pushover is used when setting the value to be greater than default, so that alerts are generated for any predicted lows or highs.

15.4 Exercise-mode related preferences:

15.4.1 exercise_mode

Defaults to false. When true, > 105 mg/dL high temp target adjusts sensitivityRatio for exercise_mode.

This majorly changes the behavior of high temp targets from before.

synonym for high_temptarget_raises_sensitivity
15.4.2 high_temptarget_raises_sensitivity

Defaults to false. When set to true, raises sensitivity (lower sensitivity ratio) for temp targets set to $\geq 111$. Synonym for exercise_mode. The higher your temp target above 110 will result in more sensitive (lower) ratios, e.g., temp target of 120 results in sensitivity ratio of 0.75, while 140 results in 0.6 (with default halfBasalTarget of 160).

15.4.3 low_temptarget_lowers_sensitivity

Defaults to false. When set to true, can lower sensitivity (higher sensitivity ratio) for temptargets $\leq 99$. The lower your temp target below 100 will result in less sensitive (higher) ratios, e.g., temp target of 95 results in sensitivity ratio of 1.09, while 85 results in 1.33 (with default halfBasalTarget of 160).

15.4.4 sensitivity_raises_target

When true, raises BG target when autosens detects sensitivity

15.4.5 resistance_lowers_target:

Defaults to false. When true, will lower BG target when autosens detects resistance

15.4.6 half_basal_exercise_target

Set to a number, e.g. 160, which means when temp target is 160 mg/dL and exercise_mode=true, run 50% basal at this level (120 = 75%; 140 = 60%). This can be adjusted, to give you more control over your exercise modes.

15.4.7 Pushover related preferences

pushover_snooze:

Defaults to 15. This sets the minimum time between SMB Pushover alerts.

pushover_only:

Defaults to "carb". This sets the type of SMB alerts desired. Options are "both", "insulin", or "carb". Setting pushover_only to insulin prevents SMB from sending carb required alerts when SMB thinks additional carbs are required to bring eventual BG up. Setting pushover_only to carb prevents SMB from sending insulin required alerts when SMB is hitting maxBolus (see warning in Pushover setup section). Setting pushover_only to both allows SMB to send both insulin required and carb required alerts.

pushover_sound:

Defaults to "none". This sets the alert sound played on the user device. Valid options are available at https://pushover.net/api.

15.4. Exercise-mode related preferences:
**pushover_priority:**

Defaults to 0. This sets the Pushover priority. Valid options are -2, -1, 0, 1, and 2. -2 generates no notification/alert. -1 always sends a quiet notification. 0 triggers sound, vibration, and an alert according to the user’s device settings. 1 displays a high-priority alert and bypasses the user’s quiet hours. 2 requires confirmation from the user.

**pushover_retry:**

Defaults to 60. When a priority 2 alert is sent, the alert will sound every pushover_retry seconds until the user acknowledges the alert.

**pushover_expire:**

Defaults to 600. When a priority 2 alert is sent, the alert will sound every pushover_retry seconds until the user acknowledges the alert or pushover_expire seconds passes. After pushover_expire seconds, the alert will be cancelled.

**15.4.8 Other preferences:**

Generally, you won’t need to adjust any of the preferences below. But if you do wish to change the default behavior, you can add these into your preferences.json to do so (or use oref0-get-profile –updatePreferences to get the full list of all preferences added to your preferences.json).

**autosens_adjust_targets:**

This is used to allow autosens to adjust BG targets, in addition to ISF and basals.

**adv_target_adjustments:**

This feature was previously enabled by default but will now default to false (will NOT be enabled automatically) in oref0 0.6.0 and beyond. (There is no need for this with 0.6.0). This feature lowers oref0’s target BG automatically when current BG and eventualBG are high. This helps prevent and mitigate high BG, but automatically switches to low-temping to ensure that BG comes down smoothly toward your actual target. If you find this behavior too aggressive, you can disable this feature. If you do so, please let us know so we can better understand what settings work best for everyone.

**skip_neutral_temps:**

Defaults to false, so that OpenAPS will set temps whenever it can, so it will be easier to see if the system is working, even when you are offline. This means OpenAPS will set a “neutral” temp (same as your default basal) if no adjustments are needed. If you are a light sleeper and the “on the hour” buzzing or beeping wakes you up (even in vibrate mode), you may want to turn this to “true” to skip setting neutral temps. However, we recommend leaving neutral temps enabled for most people who will be using this system on the go and out of constant connectivity.

**Note:** if set to true, in order to reduce notifications at the top of the hour, it will also attempt to cancel temp basals (unless BG or minGuardBG is below threshold and a zero-temp is needed) prior to the top of the hour. Normally a new temp basal will be set (if still needed) after the top of the hour, but that may be delayed if the rig has issues connecting to the pump. People who want to minimize the “on the hour” temp basal notification beeps/vibrations may choose to accept that risk and choose to set skip_neutral_temps to true.
bolussnooze_dia_divisor:

Bolus snooze is enacted after you do a meal bolus, so the loop won’t counteract with low temps when you’ve just eaten. The example here and default is 2; so a 3 hour DIA means that bolus snooze will be gradually phased out over 1.5 hours (3DIA/2).

min_5m_carbimpact:

This is a setting for default carb absorption impact per 5 minutes. The default is an expected 8 mg/dL/5min. This affects how fast COB is decayed in situations when carb absorption is not visible in BG deviations. The default of 8 mg/dL/5min corresponds to a minimum carb absorption rate of 24g/hr at a CSF of 4 mg/dL/g.

carbratio_adjustmentratio:

This is another safety setting that may be useful for those with secondary caregivers who aren’t dedicated to looking up net IOB and being aware of the status of the closed loop system. The default is 1 (i.e. do not adjust the carb ratio; off). However, in the secondary caregiver situation you may want to set a higher carb ratio to reduce the size of a manual bolus given at any time. With this ratio set to 1.1, for example, the loop would multiple the carb inputs by 10%, and use that number to calculate additional insulin. This can also be used by OpenAPS users who rely on the bolus wizard to calculate their meal bolus, but who want to only bolus for a fraction of the meal, and allow advanced meal assist to high-temp for the rest.

maxCOB:

This defaults maxCOB to 120 because that’s the most a typical body can absorb over 4 hours. (If someone enters more carbs or stacks more; OpenAPS will just truncate dosing based on 120. Essentially, this just limits AMA as a safety cap against weird COB calculations due to fluky data.)

remainingCarbsCap:

This is the amount of the maximum number of carbs we’ll assume will absorb over 4h if we don’t yet see carb absorption.

remainingCarbsFraction:

This is the fraction of carbs we’ll assume will absorb over 4h if we don’t yet see carb absorption.

autotune_isf_adjustmentFraction:

The default of 0.5 for this value keeps autotune ISF closer to pump ISF via a weighted average of fullNewISF and pumpISF. 1.0 allows full adjustment, 0 is no adjustment from pump ISF.

offline_hotspot

Defaults to false. If true, enables an offline-only local wifi hotspot if no Internet available. (Do not set to true without testing and understanding how this will impact your connectivity.)

Default hotspot network name is the rig name; default password is “#OpenAPS” (no quotations).

15.4. Exercise-mode related preferences:
**wide_bg_target_range**

Defaults to false, which means by default only the low end of the pump’s BG target range is used as OpenAPS target. This is a safety feature to prevent too-wide targets and less-optimal outcomes. Therefore the higher end of the target range is used only for avoiding bolus wizard overcorrections. Use `wide_bg_target_range: true` to force neutral temps over a wider range of eventualBGs.

**SAFETY WARNING:** If the pump has a target range high end set lower than the BG input into the Bolus Wizard, the Bolus Wizard will add insulin to cover the carbs as well as bring BG down to the high end. I.e. if your high end is 110 and you enter a 160 BG and 45g of carbs in the Bolus Wizard, the Bolus Wizard will dose 1U to bring BG to 110 and 3U for carbs (assuming 50 (mg/dL)/U and 15g/U factors). The rig will likely have already dosed insulin to bring your BG to your low target, and you are potentially “double dosing”. In these scenarios, you will have too much insulin onboard and can experience a severe low. If you use the Bolus Wizard, ensure the high end of the BG target range is a high number such as 250 mg/dL.

**A52_risk_enable (A52 risk mitigation)**

Defaults to false. Using the pump bolus wizard to enter carbs will prevent SMBs from being enabled for COB as long as those carbs are active. Using the pump bolus wizard will prevent SMBs from being enabled for up to 6 hours by the “after carbs” or “always” preferences. If anyone wants to get around that, they can add `A52_risk_enable` (with the capital A) to preferences and set it to “true” to acknowledge and intentionally use that approach, which we know leads to increased A52 errors.

(the recommended method for using SMBs is to enter carbs via NS and easy bolus any desired up-front insulin (generally less than the full amount that would be recommended by the bolus wizard) and then let SMB fill in the rest as it is safe to do so. For situations where the bolus wizard is preferred, such as for carb entry by inexperienced caregivers, or for offline use, we feel that it is safer for OpenAPS to disable SMBs and fall back to AMA until the next meal. In addition to reducing the risk of A52 errors, disabling SMBs when the bolus wizard is in use leads to more predictable AMA behavior (instead of SMB zero-temping) for untrained caregivers in an environment that is usually more prone to walk-away pump communication issues.)
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Understanding your wifi options

If you want to keep your rig small and portable, using the internet will be important (assuming you are using a Dexcom CGM) to keep BG values flowing to the loop. Ways your rig can stay online and access the internet are:

- Joining known wifi networks (you’ll be able to add more wifi networks to your rig in the future)
- BT-tethering to your cell phone’s hotspot
- Wifi-tethering to your cell phone’s hotspot
- Wifi-tethering to mifi device

By default, the rig’s programming in OpenAPS is to prefer joining known wifi connections over BT-tethered connections. Basically, the rig will look every minute to see if a wifi connection is available. If it is, the rig will connect to that. When a wifi connection is unavailable, the rig will attempt to BT-tether to your phone’s hotspot (assuming you have done the work to pair the two devices as part of your rig’s setup).

Most users prefer a combination of known wifi networks and BT-tethering to maintain internet access for their rig. This minimizes cell phone data use while at the same time requiring no intentional action on the user’s part when they enter/leave their known network areas. The rig will move seamlessly off/on known networks and BT-tethers without needing help. Using wifi-tethers requires the user to manually turn the connections on/off when they get into the range of a preferred wifi network to save cell data, therefore those connections aren’t preferred.

These helpful mobile apps are worth checking out, as they’ll aid you with accessing your rig when it gets connected online.

16.1 Home Wifi

If your home wifi is flaky, your OpenAPS looping will likely be flaky as well. Speed isn’t super important, but reliability of uptime is. If your router is old and hasn’t been updated in a while, simply updating your router may be a good idea. Routers are about $100 for a new, well-featured router. If you get your router as part of a package from your ISP, you can ask if they have any updated equipment to improve your home wifi network’s stability. Many ISPs tend to forget about their customers’ old equipment until they start complaining about it.
16.2 Home router

Have you ever accessed your home wifi’s router to see the devices connected to it? How about to make adjustments to your firewall if one is installed? I highly recommend becoming familiar with logging into your home router...this will let you quickly see (1) if your rig is successfully connected to your home wifi and (2) the MAC address and IP address of your rig.

NOTE IP addresses are assigned to the rig by the device providing the internet access. So when the rig is on your home wifi network, the IP address is assigned by your home’s router. When the rig is on your phone’s hotspot, the IP address is assigned by your phone. The private IP addresses for a wifi network will generally be in the format of 192.168.1.XX or 10.10.1.XX and the private IP addresses for a phone hotspot will generally be in the format of 172.20.10.XX The last two digits will not always be the same every time your rig connects. Most routers, however, will allow you in the Advanced Settings section to configure your LAN settings to always give your rig the same IP address. If you find that you cannot access your rig sometimes, it is a good practice to check if maybe the IP address of the rig has changed since the last time you looked and consider setting your router to assign the rig the same IP address each time.

Most home routers can be accessed by going to the URL http://192.168.1.1 on your computer’s browser while it is connected to the home wifi. Alternatively, check your router for a sticker that includes information about logging into the router (most include a sticker on the bottom of the router). If there is no sticker, and the URL doesn’t work, try googling your router’s manufacturer and model number for login information. Each manufacturer usually has a different combination of default user names and logins, for example:

- NetGear routers have user name as admin and password is password
- Linksys routers have no user name and password is admin
- Asus routers have a default for both user and password of admin

By having access to your home router, you can easily see if you rig is listed as a connected device. You can also bring up the MAC address and IP address of the rig, which may be helpful in other areas of the rig setup that are discussed later.
16.3 School wifi networks

School districts vary widely in their wifi structure and access. Start talking to your school district’s IT department well in advance of looping to discuss options for the rig’s access to school wifi.

If you are sending your t1d kid to school with an OpenAPS rig, getting on the school’s wifi network will save you cell phone data and phone battery. Some school districts will need the MAC address of the rig to add it to their “approved” devices list. Other school districts may provide a special login for the rig.

If the school district refuses to allow the rig access to the school’s wifi network, you can use BT tethering to your phone’s hotspot to stay online while at school. The downside is that you will be using your cell data during the school day and it will cause added drain on the phone’s battery.

In some cases, schools have let the phone on the school’s wifi but not the rig. Unfortunately though, this won’t help much if your kid uses an iPhone. iPhones do not allow the rig to be on the phone’s hotspot while the phone is also on school’s wifi. So, when the rig connects to the iPhone, the iPhone will disconnect from the school’s wifi. Androids (some of them at least) are able to maintain a wifi connection while the rig is tethered to its hotspot.

16.4 Mifi device

If the school won’t allow rig’s wifi access, or you can’t get your rig to use your phone’s hotspot, you could use a mifi device through your cell provider. The mifi is a small box (about half the size of a dex receiver usually) that projects a wifi signal using your cellular data plan. If you use a mifi, the phone could stay connected to the school’s wifi and the rig could stay connected to the mifi.
One downside of a mifi box, however, is that since the rig is using a wifi-tethered connection to the mifi box...the rig will stay connected until you turn the mifi box off. When your kid (and rig) comes back into a known wifi network, your rig will not necessarily automatically move to the known wifi network from the mifi box. And of course, it’s another device to carry.

### 16.5 Known wifi networks

You will want to prepare ahead of your rig-build by gathering the wifi network names and passwords from areas that you will be at frequently (home, friends’ houses, work, etc). By adding known wifi networks to your rig’s setup, you can save from using your cellular data plan to keep your rig running. As you are gathering the network names and passwords, remember to pay attention to lower vs upper case letter, hypens, or special characters. If the names and passwords do not match exactly, the rig will not be able to connect to the network.

### 16.6 Unknown wifi networks

Unknown wifi networks are pretty frequent during travel. These can be hit or miss for rig connectivity. Networks that require you to click on a terms and conditions (like Starbucks) or enter a last name/room number (like many hotels) will not work for the rig. Sometimes though, you’ll get lucky and a hotel will have an open, easy wifi network. There’s a section later about how to add wifi networks while you are traveling.
Getting your rig with OpenAPS takes generally six steps:

1. Jubilinux installation (called “flashing” the Edison - Pi users can skip to step 2)
2. Getting first wifi network connection
3. Installing “dependencies” (helper code that make all the OpenAPS code function)
4. Installing your OpenAPS loop
5. Watching Pump-loop Log
6. Finish your setup
   - The first step may already be done for you if you purchased a pre-flashed Edison board.
   - The second and third steps are accomplished through what is called the “bootstrap” script.
   - The fourth step is accomplished through what is called the “setup script”.
   - The fifth step is an important, required step. You need to be familiar with how to read and access your logs.
   - The sixth step is all the polishing steps to your OpenAPS setup. Things like optimizing your settings, preferences, BT-tethering, IFTTT, etc.

17.1 Step 1: Jubilinux (for Edison rigs only)

Pi users can skip to step 2

If you purchased a pre-flashed Edison, you can also skip down to step 2.

If you need to flash your Edison, the directions are slightly different depending on the computer you are using. Please see the Mac-specific flashing page or the Windows-specific flashing page for detailed info on how to flash jubilinux. There is also a more general flashing page here that has some good troubleshooting tips at the end of the page, if you flashing stalls out.
17.2 Steps 2-3: Wifi and Dependencies

Steps 2-3 are covered in the page links below, dependent on which type of rig you are using.

- If you are using an Intel Edison, start with the Intel Edison instructions.
- If you are using a Raspberry Pi, start with the Raspberry Pi instructions.

Going through steps 1-3 may take about 1-3 hours depending on your internet connection, whether the edison was pre-flashed, and comfort level with the instructions. At the end of the bootstrap script (step 3), you will be asked if you want to continue on with the set-up script (step 4). If you need to take a break and come back to step 4 later, you can answer “no” to continuing on and come back later...picking up at the directions below for running the setup script.

17.3 Step 4: Setup script

- If you pressed enter to continuing on with the setup script at the end of the bootstrap script, you do NOT need to specifically enter the command in the box below. By pressing enter to continuing on with setup script, the command was automatically started for you.
- If you pressed control-c to end at the completion of the bootstrap script and did not continue automatically with setup script, this is where you’ll pick back up. At this point, your rig should have your first wifi connection finished and your dependencies installed.

Login to your rig and run the following command (aka “the setup script”):

cd && ~/src/oref0/bin/oref0-setup.sh

(Note: if this is your first time logging into the rig since running bootstrap script, you will have to change your rig’s password on this first login. You will enter the default password first of edison and then be prompted to enter your new password twice in a row. If you get an error, you likely forgot to enter edison at the first prompt for changing the password.)

17.3.1 Be prepared to enter the following information into the setup script:

The screenshot below shows an example of the questions you’ll be prompted to reply to during the setup script (oref0-setup). Your answers will depend on the particulars of your setup. Also, don’t expect the rainbow colored background - that’s just to help you see each of the sections it will ask you about!

Be prepared to enter the following items (click here to expand list):

- 6-digit serial number of your pump
- whether you are using an Explorer board
  - if not an Explorer board, and not a Carelink stick, you’ll need to enter the mmeowlink port for TI stick. See here for directions on finding your port
  - if you’re using a Carelink, you will NOT be using mmeowlink. After you finish setup you need to check if the line radio_type = carelink is present in your pump.ini file.
- CGM method: The options are g4-go, g5, g5-upload, g6, g6-upload, mdt, xdrip, and xdrip-js.
  - The various G4/G5/G6 options are for plugging a physical receiver into the rig with USB.
  - If you would like the rig to communicate directly with your G5/G6 transmitter over Bluetooth (most likely in place of a receiver, using Alternate Channel mode), choose xdrip-js.
– Do not choose MDT unless you are using an Enlite sensor attached to the pump you’re looping with. If you use FreeStyle Libre or Medtronic 640G as a CGM, or any other CGM system that gets its data only from Nightscout, you should choose g4-go, g5, or g6. OpenAPS also attempts to get BG data from your Nightscout. OpenAPS will always use the most recent BG data regardless of the source, so if offline looping is unavailable, it will try to pull from NS, and vice versa.

• Nightscout URL and API secret (or NS authentication token, if you use that option)

• BT MAC address of your phone, if you want to pair for BT tethering to personal hotspot (letters should be in all caps)
  – Note, you’ll still need to do finish the BT tethering as outlined here after setup.

• Your desired max-iob

• whether you want Autosensitivity and/or Autotune enabled

• whether you want any carbs-required Pushover notifications (and if you do, you’ll need your Pushover API token and User Key)
What is your pump serial number (six digits, numbers only)? 957006
Ok, 957006 it is.

Do you have a 512 or 712 model pump? y/[N] n
You're using a different model pump. Got it.

What kind of CGM would you like to configure for offline use? Options are:
G4-upload: will use and upload BGs from a plugged in G4 receiver to Nightscout
G4-local-only: will use BGs from a plugged in G4, but will *not* upload them
G5: will use BGs from a plugged in G5, but will *not* upload them (the G5 app usually does that)
G5-upload: will use and upload BGs from a plugged in G5 receiver to Nightscout
MDT: will use and upload BGs from an Elite sensor paired to your pump
xDrip: will work with an xDrip receiver app on your Android phone
Note: no matter which option you choose, CGM data will also be downloaded from NS when available.

What kind of CGM would you like to configure? g5
Ok, g5 it is.

Are you using an Explorer Board? y/[N] y
Ok, yay for Explorer Board!

Medtronic pumps come in two types: WW (Worldwide) pumps, and NA (North America) pumps. Confusingly, North America pumps may also be used outside of North America.

USA pumps have a serial number / model number that has 'NA' in it.
Non-USA pumps have a serial number / model number that 'WW' in it.

When using MMeowLink, we need to know which frequency we should use:
Are you using a USA/North American pump? If so, just hit enter. Otherwise enter WW:

Ok, US it is

What is your Nightscout site? (i.e. https://mynightscout.herokuapp.com) https://mysite.herokuapp.com
Ok, https://mysite.herokuapp.com it is.

Starting with orfe 0.5.0 you can use token based authentication to Nightscout. This makes it possible to deny anonymous access to your Nightscout instance. It's more secure than using your API_SECRET, but must first be configured in Nightscout.
Do you want to use token based authentication? y/[N] n
Ok, you'll use API_SECRET instead.

What is your Nightscout API_SECRET (i.e. myplaintextsecret; It should be at least 12 characters long)? MyAPIsecret123
Ok, MyAPIsecret123 it is.

Do you want to be able to set up BT tethering? y/[N] y
What is your phone's BT MAC address (i.e. AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF)? A1:B2:C3:D7:2F:54
Ok, A1:B2:C3:D7:2F:54 it is. You will need to follow directions in docs to set-up BT tether after your rig is successfully looping.

What value would you like to set for your max_IQB? Context: max_IQB is a safety setting
It limits how much insulin OpenAPS can give you in addition to your manual boluses and pre-set basal rates.

max_IQB of 0 will make it so OpenAPS cannot provide positive IOB, and will function as "low glucose suspend" type mode.

If you are unsure of what you would like max IOB to be, we recommend starting with either 0 or one hour worth of basal.

Read the docs for more tips on how to determine a max_IQB that is right for you. (You can come back and change this easily later).
Type a whole number (without a decimal) [i.e. 0] and hit enter: 10
Ok, 10 units will be set as your max_IQB.

Enable automatic sensitivity adjustment? [Y/n] y
Ok, autosens will be enabled.

Enable autotuning of basal rates? [Y]/n y
Ok, autotune will be enabled. It will run around 4am.
At the end of the questions, the script will ask if you want to continue. Review the information provided in the “to run again with these same options” area...check for any typos. If everything looks correct, then press y to continue. If you see a typo, press n and then type cd && ~/src/oref0/bin/oref0-setup.sh to start the setup questions over again.

After the setup script finishes building your loop (called myopenaps), it will ask if you want to schedule a cron (in other words, automate and turn on your loop) and remove any existing cron. You’ll want to answer y to both - and also then press enter to reboot after the cron is installed. If your setup script stalls out before those two questions happen, rerun the setup script again.

17.4 Log rotate fix

Click here to expand notes about checking log rotate, which was fixed in 0.6.1:

Make sure that at the end of the setup script, your log rotate file is set to daily as described below. Most users will have the compress line properly edited already, but the log rotate file seems to be left at weekly for many users. If you leave the setup at weekly, you will likely get a device full error in your pump logs within a week...so please check this before moving on!

- Enter vi /etc/logrotate.conf then press “i” for INSERT mode, and make the following changes so that your file matches the one below for the highlighted areas:
  - set the log rotation to daily from weekly
  - remove the # from the “#compress” line (if it is present)
  - Press ESC and then type :wq to save and quit
17.5 Step 5: Watch your Pump-Loop Log

THIS IS A REQUIRED MUST-LEARN HOW-TO STEP - DO NOT MOVE ON WITHOUT DOING THIS! This is a key skill for monitoring your OpenAPS setup to "check" or "monitor" or "watch" the logs.

It's easy: simply type the letter l (short for "log", aka the very important pump-loop.log). (This is a shortcut for the full command, tail -F /var/log/openaps/pump-loop.log.)

17.5.1 What you'll see while waiting for your first loop (common non-error messages)

If this is your first rig, you are probably (1) going to underestimate how long it takes for the first loop to successfully run and (2) while underestimating the time, you’ll freak out over the messages you see in the pump-loop logs. Let’s go over what are NOT errors:
Click here to expand the explanation of the non-error messages

When your loop very first starts, if you are quick enough to get into the logs before the first BG is read, you will likely see:

```
Waiting up to 4 minutes for new BG: jq: monitor/glucose.json: No such file or directory
date: invalid date '@'
```

Don’t worry...once you get a BG reading in, that error will go away.

The next not-error you may see:

```
ls: cannot access monitor/pump_loop_completed: No such file or directory
```

Don’t worry about that one either. It’s only going to show because there hasn’t been a completely loop yet. Once a loop completes, that file gets created and the “error” message will stop.

Next frequently confused non-error:

```
Waiting for silence: Radio ok. Listening.....No pump comms detected from other rigs
```

Well, hey that’s actually a good message. It’s saying “I don’t hear any interruptions from other rigs, so I won’t be needing to wait my turn to talk to the pump.” That message will continue to show even when your loop is successfully running.

As the pump loop continues:

```
Refreshed jq: settings/pumphistory-24h-zoned.json: No such file or directory
```

That message will clear out once the pump history has successfully been read.

Or how about the fact that autotune hasn’t run yet, but you enabled it during setup:

17.5. Step 5: Watch your Pump-Loop Log
Old settings refresh Could not parse autotune_data

Autotune only runs at 4:05am every morning. So if autotune has not yet run, you must wait for that error message to clear out, or run it manually. You can still loop while that message is showing. Additionally, you’ll have to wait until autotune runs before SMBs can be enacted. (SMBs won’t enact unless an Autotune directory exists.)

And then you may have an issue about the time on your pump not matching your rig’s time:

Pump clock is more than 1m off: attempting to reset it
Waiting for ntpd to synchronize....No!
ntpd did not synchronize.

This synchronization may fail a few times before it actually succeeds...be patient. There’s a script called oref0-set-device-clocks that will eventually (assuming you have internet connection) use the internet to sync the rig and pump’s times automatically when they are more than 1 minute different. (If you don’t have internet connection, you may need to do that yourself on the pump manually.)

How about these daunting messages:

Optional feature meal assist disabled: not enough glucose data to calculate carb absorption; found: 4

and
carbsReq: NaN CI Duration: NaN hours and ACI Duration: NaN hours

and
"carbs":0, "reason": "not enough glucose data to calculate carb absorption"

Advanced meal assist requires at least 36 BG readings before it can begin to calculate its necessary data. So after about three hours of looping these messages will clear out. You can watch the count-up of “found” BG readings and know when you are getting close.

17.5.2 What you’ll see when you are looping successfully ~20+ minutes later!

Finally, you should eventually see colorful indications of successful looping, with a message saying “Starting with oref0-pump-loop” and ending with “Completed oref0-pump-loop”
Reading these should give you an idea for what OpenAPS knows: current BG, changes in BG, information about netIOB (taking into account any temp basals it has set along with any boluses you have done), carbs on board, etc.
Plus, it will give you information about the predictions and show you the data points it is using to draw the “purple prediction lines” in Nightscout. It also will tell you what, if anything, is limiting it’s ability to give more insulin - i.e. if you have maxIOB at 0, or it is capped by one of the safety settings, etc. This information is a longer version of the information that will show in the “OpenAPS pill” on Nightscout. And - this is where it will tell you what insulin it thinks you need (more/less and how much) and what temporary basal rate (temp basal) it will try to set next to adjust and bring your eventualBG prediction into your target range. (For more details on how to interpret the OpenAPS math and information, see this page for understanding OpenAPS determine-basal.)

If after 20 minutes, you still have some errors showing instead of the above successful looping information, it may be time to head over to the Troubleshooting oref0-setup tips page for ideas on your error messages and how to resolve them. IF you aren’t able to resolve your errors, please make sure that you have captured the error messages before heading over to Gitter or Facebook to get help. Troubleshooting is far more successful when you come prepared with the error messages.

**Done watching the logs? Type control-C to exit the pump-loop log.**

### 17.5.3 Temp basals > 6.3, ISF > 255 or carb ratio > 25 with a x23 or x54?

Expand here for notes:

- If your rig tries and fails to set a temp basal > 6.3 you should see “ValueError: byte must be in range(0, 256)” in the log.
- If your pump ISF setting is > 255 the ISF shown in the log and in the OpenAPS pill in Nightscout will be 256 less than the actual pump setting (257 will show as 1).
- If your pump carb ratio is > 25 and you have a x23 or x54 pump you will see a message about “carb ratio out of bounds” in the log.

To fix these problems you need to update decocare. This is easy. Type control-C to exit the pump-loop log. Then copy the following 3 lines to the terminal window.

```
cd ~/src && git clone git://github.com/openaps/decocare.git
cd decocare
python setup.py install
```

### 17.5.4 Rig Logs and Shortcut commands - bookmark this section!

Checking your pump-loop.log is a great place to start anytime you are having looping failures. Your error may not be in the pump-loop, but the majority of the time, you’ll get a good head start on the issue by looking at the logs first. So, develop a good habit of checking the pump-loop log to get to know what a normal log looks like so that when a real error appears, you can easily see it as out of place and needing to be addressed. Additionally, knowing how to access your pump-loop log is important if you come to Gitter or Facebook looking for troubleshooting help...one of the first questions will usually be “what does your pump-loop log look like?” or “what do the logs say?”

Note: The pump-loop log is not the only log your rig generates. There are also several other loop logs contained within your OpenAPS setup such as:

- **Autosens log:** `tail -F /var/log/openaps/autosens-loop.log`
- **Nightscout log:** `tail -F /var/log/openaps/ns-loop.log`
- **Network log:** `tail -F /var/log/openaps/network.log`
- **Autotune log:** `tail -F /var/log/openaps/autotune.log` (remember Autotune only runs at midnight (or at 4AM starting from 0.6.0-rc1), so there’s not much action in that log)
These logs and other files are things you may frequently access. There are shortcuts built in to help you more easily access key files on the go. The `l` you type for logs is an example of one of these shortcuts - it's actually a shortcut for the full command `tail -F /var/log/openaps/pump-loop.log`. Here are other shortcuts:

---View live logs---
- `l` => `tail -F /var/log/openaps/pump-loop.log`
- `autosens-looplog` => `tail -n 100 -F /var/log/openaps/autosens-loop.log`
- `autotunelog` => `tail -n 100 -F /var/log/openaps/autotune.log`
- `ns-looplog` => `tail -n 100 -F /var/log/openaps/ns-loop.log`
- `pump-looplog` => `tail -n 100 -F /var/log/openaps/pump-loop.log`
- `networklog` => `tail -n 100 -F /var/log/openaps/network.log`
- `xdrip-looplog` => `tail -n 100 -F /var/log/openaps/xdrip-loop.log`
- `cgm-looplog` => `tail -n 100 -F /var/log/openaps/cgm-loop.log`
- `urchin-looplog` => `tail -n 100 -F /var/log/openaps/urchin-loop.log`

* to quit watching, press Ctrl+C

---View settings/logs/info---
- `cat-pref` => `cd ~/myopenaps && cat preferences.json`
- `cat-wifi` => `cat /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf`
- `cat-autotune` => `cd ~/myopenaps/autotune && cat autotune_recommendations.log`
- `cat-runagain` => `cd ~/myopenaps && cat oref0-runagain.sh`
- `git-branch` => `cd ~/src/oref0 && git branch`
- `edison-battery` => `cd ~/myopenaps/monitor && cat edison-battery.json`
- `cat-reservoir` => `cd ~/myopenaps/monitor && cat reservoir.json`

---Edit settings---
- `edit-wifi` => `vi /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf`
- `edit-pref` => `cd ~/myopenaps && vi preferences.json`
- `edit-runagain` => `cd ~/myopenaps && nano oref0-runagain.sh`

To use these shortcuts, just type in the phrase you see on the left - i.e. `edit-wifi` and hit enter.

### 17.6 Step 6: Finish your OpenAPS setup

You’re looping? Congrats! However, you’re not done quite done yet.

Shortly after you confirm your loop is running, you should **set your preferences**. Don’t forget, your preferences are reset to defaults after each run of a setup script, so please remember to check preferences after confirming a loop is successfully run/rerun.

As your time permits, there’s still more useful and cool things you can do to make looping more efficient and automated.

- **Add more wifi networks to your rig** so that when you are away from home, the rig has access to trusted wifi networks
- **Setup Papertrail** Papertrail will even allow you to remotely track your logs when you are not logged into your rig. Setting up Papertrail and watching your logs will dramatically help you understand your rig and help troubleshoot if you run into problems.
- **Setup IFTTT for your phone or watch** to allow you to use Nightscout’s temp targets, carb entries, and similar for single button interactions with your rig
- **Finish Bluetooth tethering your phone** so that when you are away from trusted wifi networks, your rig can automatically access your phone’s mobile hotspot for continued online looping.
• Learn about offline looping for times when your rig is not able to access internet (no wifi, no hotspot).

• Additional access to your rig via other types of mobile apps. Grab some of these other apps, based on your preference, for accessing your rig in different ways.

Remember, the performance of your DIY closed loop is up to you. Make sure you at least look at the rest of the documentation for help with troubleshooting, ideas about advanced features you can implement in the future when you’re comfortable with baseline looping, and more. Plus, the docs are updated frequently, so it’s worth bookmarking and checking back periodically to see what features and preference options have been added.
So you think you’re looping? Now keep up to date!

If you’ve gone “live” with your loop, congratulations! You’ll probably want to keep a very close eye on the system and validate the outputs for a while. (For every person, this amount of time varies).

One important final step, in addition to continuing to keep an eye on your system, is letting us know that you are looping.

**This is important in case there are any major changes to the system that we need to notify you about.** One example where this was necessary is when we switched from 2015 to 2016: the dates were incorrectly reporting as 2000, resulting in incorrect IOB calculations. As a result, we needed to notify current loopers so they could make the necessary update/upgrade.

**18.1 After you have looped for three consecutive nights:**

So that we can notify you if necessary, **please fill out this form if you have been looping for 3+ days. Your information will not be shared in any way. You can indicate your preferred privacy levels in the form. As an alternative, if you do not want to input info, please email dana@openaps.org. Again, this is so you can be notified in the case of a major bug find/fix that needs to be deployed.**

**Note:** you only ever need to fill this form out once. If you’re building multiple rigs, or switching between DIY systems, no need to fill this out multiple times. We’re just counting - and wanting to connect with in terms of safety announcements - humans. :)

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Once you’ve been looping, you may look at your graphs and wonder how to achieve different results. It takes some time to do, but optimizing your settings is one of the keys to improving things, once you have basic looping up and running.

Note: if you’re not familiar with the approach of optimizing settings, it’s very important to understand that you should only change ONE thing at a time, and observe the impact for 2-3 days before choosing to change or modify another setting (unless it’s obviously a bad change that makes things worse, in which case you should revert immediately to your previous setting). The human tendency is to turn all the knobs and change everything at once; but if you do so, then you may end up with further sub-optimal settings for the future, and find it hard to get back to a known good state.

Think about this: when many people start looping, they often have too high basal and too low carb ratio or ISF. What this means is they’re using basal insulin around mealtimes to compensate for not usually giving the amount of insulin needed for food. When you go on a DIY closed loop and the system begins to help with adjusting insulin for BGs, it can become apparent that settings need to be tweaked. Here are a series of general approaches you can take for optimizing your settings, with example patterns:

### 19.1 Using Autotune

The most powerful tool at your disposal for adjusting settings is Autotune, which you can run nightly as part of your loop, and which will automatically start adjusting your basals, carb ratio, and ISF based on observed trends. If your pump settings are too far from what autotune thinks is necessary, it won’t be able to adjust further without some manual action on your part, so you’ll want to review autotune’s recommendations periodically and consider adjusting pump settings in the recommended direction. As noted before, it’s best to change things gradually, and observe the results before changing additional settings.

In oref0 0.6.0 and beyond, autotune runs every night on your rig automatically. You can cat-autotune to view your autotune recommendations log. (More about Autotune in the docs here.)
19.2 Frequent negative IOB at the same time every day

Negative IOB happens when you are getting less insulin than your normal basal amount. We created Autotune to help deal with these situations and to automatically tune your basal rates for any recurring patterns where you need more or less basal. However, if you're not running autotune, and you're observing patterns of negative IOB (for more than a day or two in a row), indicating a trend, you may need to change your settings. Things to test include:

- Adjusting your DIA. In oref0 0.6.0 and beyond, it will default to using a DIA of 5, unless the value is set higher in the pump. It is also very common for OpenAPS users to have DIA of 6 or 7 set in their pump.
- Basal rates are too high for the hours preceding the pattern of negative IOB.
- ISF is wrong. (Usually not this; start with testing and tweaking basals and DIA first.)

19.3 Hills and valleys / Peaks and troughs / Up and down patterns

Sometimes people observe “roller coasters” in their BG graph. Remember this is all relative - to different people, BG rising and falling by 20 points may or may not be a big deal (but a 50 point rise or drop might feel like a roller coaster).

First, you should eliminate human behaviors that cause these. Usually, it’s things like giving a traditional dose of “fast carbs” (such as 15g+ of sugar, glucose tabs, candy, etc.) that is more than needed for a low or a pending low. Remember the system is reducing insulin, and so you often need way fewer carbs to deal with a low, so you may rise afterward if you do too large of a carb correction. If you’re unsure how large a carb correction is needed, OpenAPS has the ability to send carbsReq notifications via Pushover. Overcorrections like that generally can’t be fixed by changing settings: you have to also change behaviors. Ditto for human-driven drops; e.g. by rage bolusing or otherwise bolusing too much when BG is high. A better approach is to set a low temporary target, which asks OpenAPS to do “more”, but will still keep you in a safe range.

Human behaviors set aside, if you are still seeing hills and valleys in your BG graphs, consider the following:

- ISF may be off, so you may want to raise ISF to make corrections less aggressive. Remember, make small changes (say, 2-5 points for mg/dl, and .5 or less for mmol) and observe over 2-3 days. Before changing ISF or any other setting, check to see what autotune recommends.
- If you’re seeing highs followed by lows after meals, CR may need adjusting. One common mistake is to compensate for rapid post-meal rises with a very aggressive (low) CR, which then causes subsequent low BG. One tool for preventing meal spikes include setting an “eating soon” low temp target before and/or right after a meal, to get more insulin started earlier, and then allow OpenAPS to reduce insulin once the temp target expires, to help prevent a post-meal low. Similarly, a small manual “eating soon” bolus up to an hour before a meal, or a larger prebolus right before a fast-carbs meal, can help match insulin timing to carb absorption without increasing the total amount of insulin delivered (and subsequently causing a post-meal low). (Here are some tips on using temp targets, and you can use IFTTT to make it easy to enter them from your phone or watch or device of choice.)
CHAPTER 20

Offline looping - aka, running OpenAPS without internet connectivity

There are a number of ways to have an “offline” OpenAPS rig, and numerous ways to monitor offline (see the monitoring section for information about monitoring offline). Offline refers to situations where your rig moves into an area where it does not have internet access (i.e., the rig does not have a known WiFi network available and the cell phone used with the rig does not have cell coverage/hotspot available). By setting up one of these offline solutions, your rig can still loop while in an offline area. Depending on the setup, the opportunities to visualize or monitor the loop actions (e.g., check what temp basal is actually being set) may vary until you can get back into an online area.

**NOTE: TRY BEFORE YOU FLY!** Remember this when you decide to use an offline looping method for the first time - try it before you go offline for the situation in which you likely need it (e.g. flying, camping, hiking, etc.). Sometimes there’s something small and easy like remembering to plug a secondary power source to your rig that can make your offline looping method work, but you’ll forget on your first try - so try before you go!

### 20.1 Medtronic CGM users

Medtronic CGM users can, by default, automatically loop offline because the rig will read CGM data directly from the pump.

#### 20.1.1 Note about recovery from Camping Mode/Offline mode for Medtronic CGM users:

If you have been running offline for a significant amount of time, and use a Medtronic CGM, you may need to run

```
openaps first-upload
```

from inside your openAPS directory, before your loop will start updating correctly to your nightscout site.
20.2 Dexcom CGM users

Dexcom CGM users have a few different alternatives to retrieve blood glucose values locally for offline use. The options to choose from are:

20.2.1 A. xDrip+ for Android users

Android users can use the xDrip+ Android app for offline looping, assuming xDrip+ is used as the CGM data source. There are two ways to get offline looping to work with xDrip+. Firstly, when connected to an Android phone running xDrip+, you can enable the phone to share the CGM information to OpenAPS, after which OpenAPS will automatically fetch the CGM data directly from the phone when connected onto the phone hotspot, even in cases where the phone is actually offline.

To enable the xDrip service for OpenAPS, go to the Inter-app settings section in xDrip settings and enable the xDrip Web Service and Open Web Service settings, then enter xDrip Web Service Secret, which has to match the same secret you have configured for Nightscout. After these settings are turned on, OpenAPS will query your phone for the CGM data automatically without additional configuration settings. You can validate the offline looping works by connecting your rig to the xDrip hotspot and checking the ns-loop.log has a line saying `CGM results loaded from xDrip`. Use

```
ns-looplog => tail -n 100 -F /var/log/openaps/ns-loop.log
```

to watch the ns-loop.log file for the ‘CGM results loaded from xDrip’ text.

Click here to display images of the xDrip settings screens
Inter-app settings

Compatible Broadcast
Send broadcasts without locking to the older permission model

Identify receiver
Only send to named package

Process glucose data receive..
Accept Glucose

Accept Treatments
Process treatment data received from NSClient app

Accept Calibrations
Process calibrations received from other apps

xDrip Web Service
Operate a local web server for interacting with Fitbit Ionic etc

Open Web Service
Accept connections from any network instead of just internally within this device. There are security implications to enabling this! Shared Secret will be required if set.

xDrip Web Service Secret
Shared Secret for open web service (should match your Nightscout API secret)
Inter-app settings

Compatible Broadcast
Send broadcasts without locking to the older permission model

Identify receiver
Only send to named package

Process glucose data receive..

xDrip Web Service Secret
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Cancel OK

xDrip Web Service
Operate a local web server for interacting with Fitbit Ionic etc

Open Web Service
Accept connections from any network instead of just internally within this device. There are security implications to enabling this! Shared Secret will be required if set.

xDrip Web Service Secret
Shared Secret for open web service (should match your Nightscout API secret)
The second method involves installing an application called xDripAPS onto your rig. The details for setting up xDripAPS are described in the section below. The naming can be confusing. xDrip+ (maintained by @jamorham) is the app being actively developed. While Google may lead you to several older versions of the xDrip/xDrip+ Android app, you can always get the latest version here:

- xDrip+: https://github.com/NightscoutFoundation/xDrip
- There is no direct iOS version of xDrip+. Spike is a different app with a different set of features.

### 20.2.2 B. Plug CGM into rig (easiest for G4/G5)

**EASIEST:** For either Android or iPhone G4/G5 users, you can plug the CGM receiver directly into your rig via USB. This will pull BGs into the rig directly from the receiver and be used for looping. If you are a G4 user, this should also bring RAW BG data into the rig during sensor restarts or ??? times (although multiple users with pediatric model G4 receivers have reported inability to obtain raw data. This seems to be related to a firmware difference between adult and pediatric G4 receivers). The rig will loop using RAW BGs so long as the BG value is under 150 mg/dl. A few notes about how to make the direct-receiver configuration work:

- Explorer boards built prior to late January of 2017 are not always working well/automatically with a CGM receiver plugged in. These boards can be identified by looking to see if they say “2016” on the board’s label tag, as shown in the photo below. The boards can be fixed to use a CGM receiver by making a single trace cut, but doing so will disable the board’s the ability to re-flash your Edison. Please make sure you have a second Explorer board or another base block or breakout board that you can use to re-flash the Edison if needed before considering this modification. For more details, see this issue, and if you decide to make the cut, see this document for details on how to cut the copper trace from pin 61 of the 70 pin connector. Cut in two places and dig out the copper between. Cut by poking a razor point in. Avoid the narrow trace above the one being cut.

- Explorer Boards that shipped at or after the end of February 2017/first week of March 2017 should enable users to simply plug in the CGM receiver to the OTG port, and a USB battery into the UART port, in order to run offline and pull BGs from the receiver. Those boards will have a label of v1.2 2017.

Click here to display images of the Explorer Board to help identify which version you have.
• The order of the cables and ports is important. The OTG cable must be plugged into the OTG port on the Explorer board. There are two kinds of OTG cables; (1) both ends are micro-USB like the one you can order here or (2) one end is USB and one end is micro-USB like the one you can order here. Both will work, but if you have the second kind, that cable must be the one plugged into the rig directly, and the other non-OTG cable must be plugged into the receiver (as shown in photo below). That port is labeled on the underside of the port, it is the one closest to the lipo battery plug. A USB battery or wall charger must be plugged into the UART port to supply sufficient voltage to the OTG port (the lipo battery alone is not enough to power the OTG port).

Click here to display images of the Explorer Board with the OTG cable plugged into the OTG port
• If you are using this configuration for G4 receivers and (1) are online and (2) want to see RAW BGs in NS, then you must remember to add rawbg to your ENABLE line in your Heroku/Azure settings. You will also have to go to your Nightscout site’s settings and select “always” from the Show RAW BG options. You will also have to select g4-raw (if on master branch) or g4-upload (if on dev branch) as the CGM type in the loop setup script.

20.2.3 C. Send G5 or G6 BGs direct to rig (xdrip-js, Lookout/Logger)

On your OpenAPS rig, the xdrip-js library can read directly from the Dexcom transmitter, similar to xdrip+ on the phone. It can be configured to replace either the Dexcom receiver or the iPhone Dexcom mobile app / xdrip+ on the phone. In Alternate Channel (receiver emulation) mode, xdrip-js can be used simultaneously with a phone app. You cannot use more than one rig with xdrip-js alongside a phone, but it is possible to configure one rig to emulate a phone and one rig to emulate a receiver if desired. (The gitter channel for xdrip-js and related stuff is at https://gitter.im/thebookins/xdrip-js - head there for questions about setup.) There are two ways to use the xdrip-js library (you can only use one at a time on the rig):

**Lookout/Logger:**

The oref0-setup option for xdrip-js installs Logger by default.

- **Lookout** - this application runs on your rig and uses the xdrip-js library to read from the G5 or G6 transmitter directly. It uses the transmitter’s built-in calibration algorithm, and you can enter BG calibrations either from the receiver or from a browser on your phone or computer, when connected to a web server that Lookout manages
on your rig. The Lookout web pages also allow you to view CGM, pump, and OpenAPS status. Regardless of whether you use the receiver or Lookout to enter calibrations, they will be sent to the transmitter and both devices will report the same resulting BG values (though they may take a reading or two to ‘catch up’ after a calibration). Depending on your phone’s hotspot capabilities, you may be able to access the Lookout web server even when cellular data is not available. Lookout will read Dexcom transmitter BG data and update OpenAPS locally (via xDripAPS), so your rig will continue to loop while offline, as well as send to Nightscout when your rig is online. Since Lookout uses the official transmitter calibration algorithm, it still requires sensor restarts every 7 days, with 2-hour warmups, and cannot be used with transmitters that have reached the Dexcom expiration (105-112 days from their first use).

- **Logger** (xdrip-js-logger) - this application is restarted regularly from your rig’s crontab, and uses the xdrip-js library to read from the Dexcom G5 or G6 transmitter directly. It can use non-expired or expired transmitters. It leverages both the in transmitter session calibration algorithms and falls back to LSR calibrations automatically when the sensor has an issue or stops (i.e. after 7 days). For LSR calibration, Logger uses the raw filtered/unfiltered values from the Dexcom transmitter, instead of the official calibrated value, and so can be used with transmitters that are past their standard expiration (including those with replaced batteries). Logger also has the ability to reset an expired transmitter to new so that in transmitter calibrations can be used (even for battery replaced transmitters). Calibrations for Logger are entered through nightscout as BG Treatments, or through the pump (e.g., via the Contour Next Link meter that automatically loads to the pump), or through the command line. BG data is sent to both OpenAPS (via xDripAPS) locally, so your rig will continue to loop while offline, and include Nightscout when online. You can use a receiver with Logger, but the BG values will not necessarily match between the two, and the calibrations on the receiver must be entered separately. Nightscout is the user interface for entering calibration and getting sensor status / requests such as “Needs calibration” as Announcements. Nightscout also shows the transmitter battery status, voltages, resistance, temperature every 12 hours as a note. Nightscout is also used to let Logger know that a new sensor has been inserted and to start a sensor. You can set the time back on a start - i.e. 2 hours (if you soaked the sensor). Logger has command line scripts that run on the rig (cgm-reset, cgm-start, cgm-stop, cgm-battery, and calibrate). There is currently no local web browser for entering calibrations or interacting with Logger, so the only way to view its data is through a terminal, xDripAPS web server, or Nightscout. **NOTE:** for expired transmitters, Logger LSR calibration method is an approximation of what the Dexcom transmitter does internally so caution and serious oversite and testing should be exercised when using.

A summary of their features:

- Lookout and Logger (xdrip-js-logger) are documented separately:
  - Lookout: https://github.com/xdrip-js/Lookout/blob/dev/README.md
  - Logger: https://github.com/xdrip-js/Logger/blob/dev/README.md

### 20.2.4 Entering carbs while offline

While offline you will not be able to enter carbs and set temporary targets using Nightscout. You have two options to enter carbs while offline. You can use the Medtronic pump’s Bolus Wizard. When using the Bolus Wizard, be careful to avoid an A52 error if you have enabled SMB. By default, use of the Bolus Wizard disables SMB for 6 hours ([learn more here](https://www.medtronic.com/)). The second option, which as far as we know avoids the A52 risk, is to use the Medtronic pump’s Capture Event feature. To turn on the Capture Event feature, do these steps:

1. Go to the CAPTURE EVENT ON/OFF screen: Main > Utilities > Capture Option
2. Select On, then press ACT. You will now have a Capture Event option in the MAIN MENU.

To enter carbohydrate information:
1. Determine the total units of carbohydrates in the meal or snack that you plan to eat.

2. Go to the ENTER FOOD screen: Main > Capture Event > Meal marker

3. The ENTER FOOD screen flashes with dashes or with the number of carbohydrate grams you entered last time.

4. Enter the carbohydrate grams, then press ACT. A message asks if you want to save the information that is displayed on the screen. The Yes option is selected.

5. Make sure the number shown on the screen is correct. If the information is correct, press ACT. The information you entered is saved to the system and can now be used in reports. If the information is not correct, select No, then press ACT. The CAPTURE EVENT menu shows. Repeat the steps above to enter the correct information.

### 20.2.5 Setting temporary targets offline

You cannot set a temporary target in the Medtronic pump. If you want to change your normal target while offline, you will need to do that using the Bolus Wizard Setup option. IMPORTANT: If you change your target while offline, you’ll need to remember to set it back to its original setting when you are done.

Note that changing the pump target does not have the same effect as setting a temporary target in Nightscout. In particular, setting the pump target higher or lower than normal will not trigger exercise or resistance modes as temporary targets do if you have the appropriate preferences enabled.

To change your target on your Medtronic pump do the following:

1. Make sure the EDIT SETTINGS screen is open: Main > Bolus > Bolus Setup > Bolus Wizard Setup > Edit Settings

2. Select BG Target, then press ACT, and change your target.

If you wish to set a true temporary target while offline, you can do so by ssh’ing into the rig and running `cd /root/myopenaps && oref0-append-local-temptarget <target> <duration> [starttime]`. So for example, to set a 110 local temp target for 60 minutes, you can run `cd /root/myopenaps && oref0-append-local-temptarget 110 60`. In the future, we plan to expose this local temp target functionality using the offline web page interface, but for now it only works via ssh.

### 20.2.6 xDripAPS - offline looping for users of the xDrip+ Android app

Do you use OpenAPS and the xDrip+ Android app? By default, the xDrip+ Android app uploads CGM data to an online Nightscout instance, OpenAPS then downloads this data for use in your online loop.

The xDripAPS code resides on your OpenAPS rig and allows the direct transfer of xDrip+ Android app CGM data to your OpenAPS rig via a “local” network (WiFi hotspot or Bluetooth PAN tethering) without an internet connection. This will make CGM data available to the OpenAPS rig without internet access.

#### Overview of xDripAPS

With xDripAPS, data flow is as follows:

1. CGM transmitter → (2) xDrip+ Android app → (3) OpenAPS rig (e.g. Edison)

   1. Usually a Dexcom G5 or G4 plus xDrip wireless bridge. Other sources might work as well, but have not been tested.

   2. xDrip+ Android app (https://github.com/NightscoutFoundation/xDrip). In the app, the REST API Upload feature is normally used to upload CGM data to Nightscout. We use this feature to upload CGM data to xDripAPS on your OpenAPS rig (further details below).
3. Your OpenAPS rig - usually a Raspberry Pi or an Intel Edison.

OpenAPS/xDripAPS will NOT upload CGM data to Nightscout. It is possible to enter two upload destinations in the xDrip+ Android app delimited by a space character - the rig for offline looping and Nightscout for upload when internet access is available. If no CGM data is available to xDripAPS for any reason, OpenAPS will fall back to downloading CGM data online from Nightscout if an internet connection is available.

Logger and Lookout also use xDripAPS on the rig to support offline looping. No xDripAPS setup is required to support Logger or Lookout beyond selecting xdrip CGM source in oref0-setup as described below.

**Setup Steps (using oref0-setup.sh script) for xDripAPS**

Click here to expand the setup instructions for using oref0-setup.sh

**Setting up your OpenAPS rig**

Install OpenAPS as per the documentation. While running the oref0-setup script you will be prompted to specify a CGM source. Enter “xdrip” (without the quotes). The setup script takes care of the rest! Follow the remainder of the setup script as normal.

**Connecting your Android phone and your OpenAPS rig**

In order to allow xDrip+ app on your Android phone to send CGM data directly to xDripAPS on your OpenAPS rig, both need to be connected to the same “personal” network. Note that an internet connection is not required - this solution allows you to loop without internet connectivity.

There are two approaches for establishing a “personal” network between your phone and your OpenAPS rig. The first is to run a WiFi hotspot on your phone and connect your OpenAPS rig to the WiFi network your phone exposes. This is the easiest option, but there are two drawbacks - it drains your phone battery quickly, and most phones cannot connect to a normal WiFi network while the WiFi hotspot is enabled (they can connect to the internet via 3G/4G when coverage is available).

The other option is to enable Bluetooth PAN tethering on your phone and have your OpenAPS rig connect to it. Battery drain is minimal and the phone can still connect to a normal WiFi network for internet access when available as well as to 3G/4G networks when WiFi is not available. (Some users have their OpenAPS rig permanently tethered to their Android phone. The drawback is that connecting to the rig via SSH in this configuration is only possible by using an SSH app on the phone or by connecting it to a computer using a USB cable).

Instructions on both WiFi and Bluetooth tethering can be found in the main OpenAPS documentation.

**Configuring the xDrip+ Android app**

First, determine your OpenAPS rig’s IP address within your “personal” network. If you can open a terminal session to your rig via serial, then ifconfig wlan0 (when using the WiFi hostpost option) or ifconfig bnep0 (when using bluetooth tethering) will display your IP address. Alternatively, you can use an Android app - there are lots of “Network IP Scanner” apps in the Play store. The Hurricane Electric Network Tools app works with both the WiFi hotspot and BT tethering options.

Next, open xDrip+ and navigate to Settings > Cloud Upload > Nightscout Sync (REST-API) and enable it. In the Base URL setting, configure the following URL:

```
http://<nightscout_api_secret>@<rig_ip_address>:5000/api/v1/
```

A few notes to clarify:
• enter “http://” NOT “https://

• `<nightscout_api_secret>` is the plain-text API secret used when creating your online Nightscout instance.

• `<rig_ip_address>` is the IP address of your OpenAPS rig assigned by your WiFi, WiFi hotspot, or Bluetooth PAN tether connection. It will usually take the form of: `192.168.xxx.xxx`.

### Entering multiple REST URLs

• If you need to constantly switch between two or more “personal” networks, you would have to edit the Base URL each time with the new IP address. To simplify this process, multiple URLs can be added to the REST API Upload Base URL setting, and xDrip+ will attempt to upload to each URL. NOTE: the URLs must be “space” delimited. For example:

```
http://<nightscout_api_secret>@192.168.44.59:5000/api/v1/ http://<nightscout_api_secret>@<rig_ip_address2>:5000/api/v1/
```

• OpenAPS/xDripAPS will NOT upload CGM data to Nightscout. You can enter both your xDripAPS URL and your Nightscout URL, again separated by a space character. For example:

```
https://<nightscout_api_secret>@<yournightscoutsitesite>.herokuapp.com/api/v1/ http://<nightscout_api_secret>@<rig_ip_address2>:5000/api/v1/
```

Be careful when entering the addresses - xDripAPS uses the http protocol, Nightscout uses the https protocol.

**NOTE:** To ensure your OpenAPS rig recieves glucose data through XdripAPS please confirm the following setting is UN-CHECKED: Open XDrip + and navigate to Settings > Cloud Upload > Nightscout Sync (REST-API) > Extra options > “Skip LAN uploads”. This setting is checked by default, however does not allow your openaps rig to recieve glucose data when tethered offline.

### Known limitations of xDripAPS

• xDripAPS does not process anything other than CGM data. If you use the xDrip+ Android app to enter carbs, these will not be processed by OpenAPS. If you upload to Nightscout simultaneously, OpenAPS will download
the carbohydrate entries from Nightscout once it has internet connectivity. For alternative solutions for offline carb entry see above.

- Changing between xDripAPS and Nightscout as sources for CGM data may lead to problems with the calculation of carbohydrate absorption. This can be avoided by leaving the OpenAPS rig tethered to the phone via Bluetooth or WiFi as long as there are carbs on board.

Manual installation steps for xDripAPS

It is strongly recommended that you use the oref0-setup script as described above, rather than installing manually. Click here to expand the setup instructions for installing manually (not recommended)

1. Install SQLite3 -
   a. Raspbian - `apt-get install sqlite3`

1. Get dependencies -
   ```
   pip install flask
   pip install flask-restful
   ```

1. Clone this repo -
   ```
   cd ~
   git clone https://github.com/colinlennon/xDripAPS.git .xDripAPS
   ```

1. Create directory for database file -
   ```
   mkdir -p ~/.xDripAPS_data
   ```

1. Add cron entry to start the microservice at startup - e.g. - `@reboot python /home/root/.xDripAPS/ xDripAPS.py`

2. Configure the xDrip Android app - xDrip > Settings > REST API Upload > Set Enabled and enter Base URL: http://[API_SECRET]@[Pi/Edison_IP_address]:5000/api/v1/

(Note: Enter your plain-text API_SECRET in the Android app, not the hashed version of it).

1. Use the microservice within OpenAPS e.g.
   ```
   openaps device add xdrip process 'bash -c "curl -s http://localhost:5000/api/v1/entries?count=288"'
   openaps report add monitor/glucose.json text xdrip shell
   ```
Bluetooth Tethering (optional)

Your cell phone can act as a mobile “hotspot” to allow your rig to access the internet. If you don’t have offline BG data setup, setting up Bluetooth (BT) tethering to allow your rig to connect to the internet through your phone can keep your rig looping as you move around areas without known wifi networks.

A few things to know about using your phone’s hotspot feature:

1. Hotspot is a feature of your phone AND cell phone provider. Please check with your cell phone provider and your service contract to confirm that hotspot internet connections and BT tethering are available. Even though some specific phones are fully capable of bluetooth tethering and the phone OS (eg: Android) fully supports it, providers like T-Mobile may arbitrarily disable it on all of their phones without explanation, even though they fully support Wifi Hotspots. Word to the wise: (1) If you can, purchase your phone from the OEM fully unlocked so the carrier can’t deprovision bluetooth tethering. In the US some are permanently boot locked and can’t be changed. (2) If you get caught in this situation you’ll need to call the carrier’s customer support network as soon as possible (hopefully within the 14 day return policy) to return it. After the 14 days you’ll need to plead your case with them.

2. Hotspot, when activated, uses your cell phone’s data. Know what your cell phone plan data limits are and consider if you want to change/update based on your frequency of hotspot use. You can get an estimate of cell data use by resetting your cell data use, at the beginning of the day, within your phone.

3. A device (like your rig) can be connected to your phone’s hotspot in one of three ways:

   - **BT tether**: BT tethering (also known as BT PAN Personal Area Network) requires your phone and rig to be BT-paired before they can connect (that’s what this section of the docs is specifically about). The advantage of connecting to your hotspot via BT tether is that it will happen automatically. You do not have to remember to toggle hotspot. Simply leave your hotspot toggled on as usual, leave the house, and within a few minutes (or sooner) your rig will BT tether to the hotspot. (Screenshot below shows what you’ll see in your network logs as you move from known wifi network to BT tether. Ore0-online will automatically find BT tether and connect.) Your rig will then use your cell phone as its internet connection. When your rig comes back into a known wifi network, it will automatically drop the BT tether and connect with the wifi network.

   - **Wifi connection**: You need to set up your wpa_supplicant list to include your hotspot information; network name and password. The wifi signal for the hotspot is not constantly broadcast by your phone, however. So when you want to use the wifi connection to your hotspot (for example, you are leaving your home wifi network and traveling), you will need to manually toggle your hotspot on so that the phone will broadcast a wifi signal for the rig to connect to. The other consideration is that since this is a wifi connection, the rig will not automatically
disconnect when you come into one of your other known wifi networks. You will have to remember to manually disconnect (toggle hotspot off), if you do not wish to continue using cell data when you are home. Hotspot done by wifi connections also use more phone battery than a BT tether connection.

- **USB plug**: You can plug devices into your cell phone to use hotspot. However, the phone would pull battery power from your rig and would drain your battery fairly quickly. This is not a recommended connection method for openaps use.

### 21.1 Benefit of Using BT Tethering to Your Phone’s Hotspot

- BT tethering automatically picks up when your rig loses wifi (i.e. walking out the door) without you even having to pull your phone out of your pocket
- It also automatically allows the rig to pick back up on wifi when it finds a known wifi network
- It consumes less battery on your phone compared to a wifi connection to your phone’s hotspot

Below is an image that shows how a rig automatically switches from a known wifi network to an internet connection through a BT tether to a phone:

![Image showing BT tethering](image-url)

### 21.2 Phone selection for BT Tethering

Certain phones don’t work well using bluetooth tethering with OpenAPS. Various users have experimented, and the list below shows those that have been found to work okay, those that don’t and those with variable effectiveness. If you have something that is not on the list, please feel free to add it.

*Notes for MIUI users. MIUI kills processes in background to save battery. To get best results:*

- get Xiaomi with SD (Snapdragon) SoC. It works better than it’s MTK counterpart
- install BTAutoTether
- Settings–>Permissions–>Autostart (Turn it on for BTAutoTether)
- Settings–>Permissions–>Other permissions (Find BTAutoTether and make sure that all permissions are ticked for this app)
- Hit Recents button (left button in bottom row of your phone) and find BTAutoTether, swipe it down and you’ll see Lock and Info icon. Press Lock icon

### 21.3 Configure Bluetooth tethering on Edison running Jubilinux [optional]

This section is completed by the install method found [here](url). If you selected the option of installing Bluetooth at a later time during installation you may skip to Bluetooth Setup, the next section.
21.3.1 Install dependencies

You will need to get the MAC address from your phone or whatever device you are using.

- On Android, go to Settings/About Phone/ Status; you will find your Bluetooth address looking like AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF
- On iPhone, go to Settings/General/About; it will be under Bluetooth and will look like AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF

Now we need to re-run oref0-setup with the Bluetooth option, replacing AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF with what you found above. If you have the “To run again with these same options” command-line from the last time you ran oref0-setup, you can simply run that and append --btmac=AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF to the end. If not, you can run it interactively using:

```
cd && ~/src/oref0/bin/oref0-setup.sh --btmac=AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF
```

NOTE: Make sure the MAC address is in ALL CAPS.

Copy and paste the “To run again with these same options” command into your notes for the next time you need to run oref0-setup.

The first time running the script will take quite a bit longer as it is installing Bluez on your edison. The oref0-setup script may fail after installing Bluez. If so, just reboot your edison and run the setup command you copied to your notes.

You can confirm that Bluez has installed properly by using `bluetoothd --version`. If Bluez installed properly, a version number of 5.37 or greater will be returned. If it did not install properly, you will likely see 5.28. The procedures below will not work with the outdated version, so make sure you get version 5.37 or greater installed before continuing.

```
root@edisonhost:~# bluetoothd --version
5.37
```

21.3.2 Bluetooth setup

1. First, check that your wpa_supplicant.conf file doesn’t contain any content that will interfere with oref0-online.
   a) Open the wpa_supplicant.conf file to make sure it is set up to allow oref0-online to change between connections.
      `nano /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf`
   b) Delete the phrase `update_config=1` from the file if it is present.

2. Next, stop cron to make sure oref0-online doesn’t interfere:
   `sudo service cron stop`

3. If you are using Jubilinux 0.3.0 (Debian Stretch) or the Raspberry Pi, please skip to #4. If you are using Jubilinux 0.2.0 (Debian Jessie), you will need to manually initialize bluetooth. (click here to expand instructions)
a) Restart the Bluetooth daemon to start up the bluetooth services. (This is normally done automatically by oref0-online once everything is set up, but we want to do things manually this first time):

```
sudo killall bluetoothd
```

b) Wait a few seconds, and run it again, until you get `bluetoothd: no process found` returned. Then start it back up again:

```
sudo bluetoothd --experimental &
```

As shown in the “success” section below, you should see a single line returned with a short string of numbers and then be returned to a clean prompt. If you instead see messages about D-bus Setup failed (as shown in the “Failure” part of screenshot), or otherwise see that you don’t have a clean prompt returned in order to enter the next command...go back to the `sudo killall bluetoothd` and try again.

c) Wait at least 10 seconds, and then run: `sudo hciconfig hci0 name $HOSTNAME`

d) If you get a `Can't change local name on hci0: Network is down (100)` error, run `bluetoothctl`, then power off and power on, then exit and try `sudo hciconfig hci0 name $HOSTNAME` again.

4. Now launch the Bluetooth control program: `bluetoothctl` and type each of the following:

```
power off
power on
discoverable on
scan on
```
agent on
default-agent

For Android

The adapter is now discoverable for three minutes. Search for bluetooth devices on your phone and initiate pairing. The process varies depending on the phone and the dongle in use. The phone may provide a random PIN and bluetoothctl may ask you to confirm it. Enter ‘yes’. Then click ‘pair’ on the phone.

Remember you need to enable the sharing of your phones internet connection via Bluetooth go to Settings -> More ->Tethering & portable hotspot -> Bluetooth tethering [enable]

For iPhone

21.3. Configure Bluetooth tethering on Edison running Jubilinux [optional]
Your iPhone must be on the Settings/Bluetooth screen, and then you use the Edison to initiate pairing:

```
pair AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF
```

If successful, you will see on the Edison:

```
Request confirmation [agent] Confirm passkey 123456 (yes/no): yes
```

- (WARNING: You must type in `yes` not just `y` to pair)
- On your phone, tap the pair button that popped up.

Troubleshooting note: If after the `pair AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF` command you get a response of `Failed to pair: org.bluez.Error.AlreadyExists`, that means you likely have already tried to pair previously...but have run into problems getting it to run properly. Double-check that your cell provider allows for personal hotspots and bluetooth tethering. Make sure you have enabled those for your device. If you have confirmed those, you can remove `AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF` and start at the `sudo` commands again to attempt a fresh pairing.

- Execute the `paired-devices` command to list the paired devices-

```
paired-devices
Device AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF Samsung S7
```

- Now trust the mobile device
  ```
  trust AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF
  ```
- Quit `bluetoothctl` by typing `quit` and then enter.

### 21.3.3 Testing to make sure it works after you successfully did the above

- Make sure your phone’s hotspot is enabled, but don’t let anything connect via wifi (you have to switch on the personal hotspot toggle, but then immediately back out of the personal hotspot screen before anything connects to your hotspot via wifi).
- Now, try to establish a Bluetooth Network connection with your phone:
  ```
  ```
- You should see an indicator on your phone (a blue bar on iPhone) that your Bluetooth network connection has established.
- Next, to test your Internet connectivity, you’ll need to get an IP address:
  ```
sudo dhclient bnep0
  ```
(If you need more information about what the `dhclient` command is doing, you can use `sudo dhclient -d bnep0` to force dhclient to run in the foreground)
- If that succeeds, you should be able to run `ifconfig bnep0` and see something like:

```
bep0   Link encap:Ethernet   HWaddr 98:4f:ee:03:a6:91
       inet addr:172.20.10.4   Bcast:172.20.10.15   Mask:255.255.255.240
```
(for iPhone, the inet addr will always start with 172.20.10. - Android will likely be different)

- If you don’t see the inet addr:172.20.10.x info in the ifconfig bnep0 output shown above, your bnep0 interface did not get an IP address. Your rig will need this address to access the internet via the BT tether. One possible cause may be an issue with your dhclient.leases file. Try editing your /var/lib/dhcp/dhclient.leases file and deleting the contents. After clearing out the dhclient.leases file, reboot your rig and start testing from the sudo bt-pan client AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF command above and verify that bnep0 gets an IP address before you continue.

- To disconnect the connection, you can run:
  ```
  ```

- Now, re-enable the cron service so oref0-online runs automatically every minute:
  ```
  sudo service cron start
  ```

- Next, to test that Bluetooth starts up automatically, you can shut down your wifi for 2-3 minutes by running:
  ```
  iwconfig wlan0 txpower off; sleep 120; iwconfig wlan0 txpower auto
  ```

- About 1 min later, your rig should connect to your phone with Bluetooth (blue bar will pop up on the iPhone). If it doesn’t, you should be able to wait 3 minutes and your terminal session should automatically reconnect. If that doesn’t connect, you’ll either need to reboot it or use a serial console connection to your Edison to troubleshoot further.

- About a minute after wifi comes back on (terminal session restores), your Edison should automatically disconnect the Bluetooth connection.

Finally, it’s time to take a walk. About a minute after walking out of range of your home wifi, you should see that a device is connected to your phone via Bluetooth. Shortly after that you should see things update on Nightscout. About a minute after you come home, it should reconnect to wifi and automatically disconnect Bluetooth.

21.3.4 Additional App requirement on Android to enable automatic BT Tethering reconnects

On Android, the Bluetooth tether will shutdown if there is no tethering request within 3 minutes. Installing the application “BTAutoTethering” on your phone from the Play store will resolve this issue and allow the rig to switch to your phone when out of wifi range with no manual intervention.

This app has been used by numerous OpenAPS users, and found to work. It can be found [here](#).

Another app which others have found to work better (depending on phone and carrier OS tweaks) is Blue Car Tethering.

21.3.5 Additional Troubleshooting Steps for Some Carriers

If you are able to set up a tethering connection (and even obtain a local IP) but your rig is unable to access the internet through your device’s mobile connection, the following steps may be helpful:

1. If you’re using an Android phone, see if your rig can access the internet when your phone is logged into a wifi network. If it can, the issue may be with your carrier.

2. Try setting up a tethering connection between your phone and another device (e.g., your laptop) to see if the laptop is able to share the phone’s mobile connection. On at least one carrier (Ting), setting up a connection from a PC resulted in a prompt on the phone to activate sharing the phone’s mobile connection via Bluetooth, which then resolved the issue.

3. If all else fails and you have isolated the problem to your mobile connection, consider contacting your mobile carrier’s tech support for help as they may be able to do something on their end.
CHAPTER 22

How to add new wifi network(s)

Adding a wifi network is pretty easy once your initial loop has been setup. Simply enter edit-wifi (which is a shortcut command for nano /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf.

First check that wpa_supplicant.conf doesn’t contain update_config=1

If it does, delete this from the file as it will interfere with switching between wifi networks.

You can then add wifi networks using the following template:

```plaintext
network={
    ssid="my network"
    psk="my wifi password"
}
```

Newer versions of the setup script enact the editor vi instead of nano. The important commands to know in vi are i to turn on insert mode on and esc to turn it off. Once insert mode is on, edit your file and when you are done hit esc. To exit vi you have a few choices: :q! will exit and not save any changes, in case you mess up badly. :w will write your changes and keep you in vi. Once you are satisfied with your edits, :wq will write your changes and quit vi.

Older version use nano, which is more intuitive, but doesn’t work well over USB serial console connections, unless your window is exactly 80 characters wide. If you’re using nano, you can save the edits to the file using control-x, y, and enter. If you mess up, you can do control-x and n.

Helpful tip: Add a couple “blank” networks to the file (see screenshot below), so that if you ever need to add new wifi networks while on-the-road, the process will be much faster and easier. You’ll only need to edit the network name and password then...instead of needing to type in the whole string of the template.
Some wifi networks may require you to enter a login name and password at an initial screen before allowing access (such as many school wifi networks). Some users have success in using the following wpa network settings for those types of networks:

```plaintext
ctrl_interface=DIR=/var/run/wpa_supplicant GROUP=netdev
network={
  ssid="network name"
  psk="psk"
}
```

```
blank networks for easy adding later
```

```plaintext
network={
  ssid="network name"
  psk="psk"
}
```

```plaintext
network=

  ssid="my network"
  psk="my wifi password"
}
```
Other wifi networks require you to accept a terms and conditions (or enter a room number and last name) prior to allowing access. For example, Starbucks coffee shops and many hotels. These networks are termed “captive” networks and connecting your rig to captive networks is currently not an option for a standard rig setup. A device like Hootoo mobile router is an excellent tool in these situations. A Hootoo mobile router will login to the hotel/Starbucks network via an app on your phone, and then the Hootoo “bridge” (non-technical word) the hotel’s network for your rig to be able to connect to once you add the network to the rig.

If you use priority (priority=1) to select among more than one network at a time, just remember that HIGHER numbers are HIGHER priority.
Beyond just services, such as IFTTT and Papertrail, there are times where your mobile device can provide more access to your rig. The apps described below can help you login to your rig (both at home and while on the road) to make edits, run commands, troubleshoot, etc.

### 23.1 IP address of rig

In order to connect to your rig wirelessly, sometimes you’ll need it’s IP address. There’s several places you can get your rig’s IP address if you aren’t currently logged in, including:

- Papertrail through doing a search for network and reading the rig’s private IP address
- Logging into your home router, if rig is on your home network
- Using a mobile app on your phone to scan the network for the rig

#### 23.1.1 iNet or NetAnalyzer (iPhone)

There are many scanning apps for iPhone. iNet or NetAnalyzer (lite version...don’t need to pay for this to work) will scan the network that the phone is using for other connected devices and their IP addresses on that same network. So, if you run the scan while your phone is on a wifi network, the scan will be for the wifi network and range will likely be 192.168.1.1 to 192.168.1.254. If you have your rig connected via mobile hotspot, then the scan will be for devices in the mobile hotspot range of 172.10.20.1 to 172.10.20.20. (IP address ranges depend on the type of network being scanned.) Some people have had more success with the NetAnalyzer app over the iNet app, depending on their router settings.

- Open the iNet app and click on the big NETWORK SCANNER. If using NetAnalyzer app, click on the LAN button on bottom bar and then scan button in top right corner of app.
The app will begin scanning the network that the phone is currently connected to. In this example, a home wifi network. Scan the results for your rig’s name. If you don’t see the name, try using the other app. If you still don’t see your rig’s name, it’s possible that the rig is not actually connected to the network being scanned. Check the other options (such as papertrail or your home router) to verify whether the rig is actually online with the same network you are scanning.
Now you have your rig’s IP address...a valuable piece of information.

If the rig is connected to your iPhone’s hotspot, the scan will be performed for the mobile hotspot range. You can always re-do a scan by clicking on the little circle arrow in the bottom left of the iNet screen, or the scan button on the top right of NetAnalyzer app.

23.2 Logging into Rig

There are many apps that will allow you to use an ssh command to login to your rig wirelessly. These apps make it super convenient to login to your rig while on the go running errands, laying in bed on a Saturday morning, or other situations where you may not want to get to a computer to login to the rig.

In order to use these apps, your rig and phone must be on the same internet connection or paired and connected over BT PAN So if your rig is on your home wifi network, your phone must also be logged on to your home wifi network. The SSH connection also works when your rig and phone are properly paired and connected over a BT PAN. If they are not on the same network, you will get a login error.

I’ve tried a few apps, both paid and free, and these have been my favorite two iPhone apps; Termius and SimpleSSH. Each has its pros/cons, and therefore I pick which app based on what I’d like to do in the rig.

Termius app has a FAR BETTER file editing ability...as in don’t even bother trying to edit files (like preferences.json or adding wifi networks) in SimpleSSH. However, if you want to navigate files on your rig or issue commands that you’ve preprogrammed, SimpleSSH is better. So, if you’re doing an activity which involves editing files...definitely stick with Termius app.

23.2.1 Termius app (iPhone AND Android)

When you first open the Termius app, it will prompt you to add a new host. Go ahead and click the + button to add a new host. Turn the toggle on for Use SSH and then fill out the following information:
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- **Alias** – use an alias name that lets you know which rig and which connection point this host is for, for example `YourRigName on home wifi` or “YourRigName on phone BT”
- **Hostname** – Enter either `YourRigName.local` or the IP address of the rig
- **Username** – click to the left of the little blue man and type `root`
- **Password** – Enter your rig’s root password (default is “edison” but you should have changed it during setup)

Click **Save** in the upper right corner. You should now see the host you just created. If you click on that host, you’ll see a message that it is connecting (first time connections will ask if you want to save the rig to known hosts, click **continue** and then you’ll be connected to a terminal app screen. You can now issue commands and edit files just like you can using Putty or Terminal app on your computer.

**HINT:** In portrait orientation, the middle part of the upper keyboard row can be moved/slid left or right using a fingertip drag. The arrow navigation keys may need to be dragged to see them all in that row. Unlock your phone’s orientation, turn your iPhone sideways and the keyboard will be more prominently shown.

To end a terminal session, just type **logout**

### 23.2.2 SimpleSSH

SimpleSSH has a few more bells and whistles than Termius app. Namely, you can navigate the folders and files using a touch screen (similar to windows explorer or Mac finder) and you can setup scripts to be run with touch of button (to save yourself typing). However, SimpleSSH has terrible file editing (`vi` editor will crash and `nano` editor is pretty much unusable).

SimpleSSH is divided into three pages; Commands, Hosts, and Settings & Info. You can access the different pages by swiping left/right in the app. To start using the app, you’ll need to add your rig as a “host” by clicking on the `+` in the upper right corner of the Hosts page, and then filling out:

- **Name** - use a name that lets you know which rig and which connection point this host is for, for example `YourRigName on home wifi`
• Host/IP address - Enter either YourRigName.local or the IP address of the rig. Leave the :22 part unchanged
• Username - enter root
• Authentication - choose password type of authentication and enter your rig’s root password.

Click Save in the upper right corner. You should now see the host you just created. Underneath the host, there are two icons; one with a little >_ terminal prompt and the other is a folder with magnifying glass. The first icon is for logging into your rig and using the terminal app (much like the Termius app access provides). The magnifying glass folder is for navigating your rig’s directories and files. If you click on one of those folders, you’ll see a message that it is connecting (first time connections will ask if you want to save the rig to known hosts, click continue and then you’ll be connected. If you chose the terminal prompt, you’ll be sent to the terminal screen. If you selected the magnifying glass, you’ll be dropped in the rig’s folders/files.

**SimpleSSH Commands**

One of the best features of SimpleSSH can be found on the Commands page (swipe right on the SimpleSSH home screen to see the Commands page). You can add scripted commands to this page to give you single-button-press access to common rig interactions...like setting up shortcuts. There are pre-scripted commands that come with the app...you can see those by pressing the + in the upper right corner and then selecting New Script Library Command. You can click on the circled down-arrow to the right of the command name to save it to your commands page.
Some useful/fun commands from the Script Library that I’ve added to my Commands Page:

**Hardware Information**

- **Show Disk Status** will run `df -h` which shows available memory on your rig. If you ever have memory errors, this would be a helpful tool to see where your memory has been going.

- **Show Current Version** will run the equivalent of `uname -a` and show which version of the Linux kernel your rig is running. This can be useful in determining your Jubilinux version.

- **Show USB Devices** will run `lsusb` and can help confirm your dexcom receiver is being properly recognized when plugged in.

- **Show External IP address** will run `ifconfig` and show your rig’s wifi (wlan0) IP address or hotspot (bnep0) IP address.

**System Restart/Shutdown**

- **Shutdown** will turn off your rig
- **Reboot** will reboot your rig

But, what I’ve found particularly useful is making some of my own custom commands. From your Commands page,
press the + in the upper right corner and then choose **New Command** and fill out the following:

- **Name** - Pick a name that is useful for your command
- **Hosts** - I recommend leaving this one blank, and instead you’ll be prompted which rig (aka host) you’d like to run the command on when you use it.
- **Command Script** - this is where you’ll enter the exact script you’d want to execute (examples below)
- **Show Results after execution** - toggle this switch **on**

These are some of my favorite Commands:

**Show current preferences** - Sometimes I just want to double check what my preferences.json file has saved to it. Setting up this command gives me a print out of my preferences.json file with just a single button press. For this command, simply enter `cat-pref` in the command script body.

**Show known wifi networks** - If I’m headed to a friend’s house or traveling, I may want to double check if I have their wifi network already saved to my rig. This gives me a simple list of the wifi networks I have saved in the rig already, and helps me know if I want to add a new one before I travel. For this command, simply enter `cat-wifi` in the command script body. (note: if I actually want to add a wifi network, I would switch to Termius app or login on my computer to add a wifi network...SimpleSSH just isn’t a robust editor)

**git lock fix** - Probably the most common error in a rig is the `.git lock` error that happens on occasion and by deleting the .git directory, you can get back to looping quickly. For this command, enter `rm -rf /root/myopenaps/.git` in the command script body.

**mmtune** - If you want to check how well your pump tune strength is you can use this command script to test it `cd ~/myopenaps && sudo service cron stop && killall -g openaps ; killall-g oref0-pump-loop; oref0-mmtune && sudo service cron start`

**Edison temperature** - If you are ever concerned that your rig may be overheating, you can use this command to read if your edison cores are reaching critical temperatures. For this command, enter `sensors` in the command script body.

If you want to run a particular command, just click on the command & confirm which host (rig) you’d like to run the command on. Assuming the rig is on the same network (wifi or BT tethered) as the phone, then the results will be displayed. Below is a few screenshots of some of the custom command outputs:

23.2. Logging into Rig
SimpleSSH file navigation

Perhaps a more slightly advanced-user (or curious-user) feature of SimpleSSH is the ability to use the file/directory navigator. The navigator (accessed using the magnifying glass icon in Hosts page) will allow you to peruse the various directories and files used by your rig and openaps. If you wanted to see your oref0 code, it is stored in the root/src/oref0 folder. Or if you wanted to see your loop directory, you could navigate to your root/myopenaps folder. This can be particularly useful if you are getting troubleshooting help and someone asks “What does your pumphistory.json show?”...you could easily navigate to that file and copy the contents of it. (Note: For further reading about the file structure of your loop and rig, see here For example, here’s the navigation chain to find your pumphistory.json:

23.3 SerialBot (Android)

This app is useful for logging into the rig via a terminal session when not near a computer or using offline looping, can be done via USB serial cable, bluetooth or wifi depending on your setup. Simply select the connection method using the drop down box and type in the rig’s connection details. For SSH use the format root@yourigname/ipaddress:22 This app will use the same commands as other terminal session apps such as PuTTy.
23.4 Nightscout Apps

There are a few useful apps for viewing and maintaining your Nightscout site.

23.4.1 Nightscout app (iPhone)

This one is pretty self-explanatory. You can access your Nightscout site by either using the Nightscout app, or by using your NS URL in a mobile browser.

23.4.2 Glimpse Webpages (Apple Watch)

If you use an Apple watch and want to view your Nightscout site on the watch, give Glimpse Web Pages app a try.

23.4.3 LePhant for Heroku (iPhone)

Logging into your NS site isn’t a frequent need, but sometimes helpful when you need to redeploy your site, restart your dynos, add or change configuration settings, or check NS status. You can use a browser to login to your Heroku account, but an app can make the process simpler by saving your password and providing an easier viewing screen for mobile device. LePhant app costs about $5 in the iPhone app store, but provides a really slick way to access your Heroku controls.

23.5 Review Logs

Beside using SSH and reading logs by calling l, there are solutions to review the logs using a browser.

23.5.1 Frontail

Frontail is a Node.js application for streaming logs to the browser. It’s a tail -F with UI. To install frontail, just call npm i frontail -g.

For a test run you have to call frontail /var/log/openaps/pump-loop.log and visit <your rigs name>.local:9001 or <your rigs IP>:9001 in a browser. The browser will show you the same output as the command l does.

To make this service always available, you have to start frontail on startup in daemon mode. To do so, add frontail with your desired options to /etc/rc.local before the exit call.

Example for Pi with pump-loop and cgm-loop log files.

```bash
#!/bin/sh -e
""
# rc.local
#
# This script is executed at the end of each multiuser runlevel.
# Make sure that the script will "exit 0" on success or any other
# value on error.
#
# In order to enable or disable this script just change the execution
# bits.
```

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# By default this script does nothing.

# Print the IP address
_IP=$(hostname -I) || true
if [ "$_IP" ]; then
  printf "My IP address is %s\n" "$_IP"
fi

# start frontail daemon
frontail -d -n 200 --ui-highlight /var/log/openaps/pump-loop.log /var/log/openaps/cgm-loop.log

exit 0
IFTTT Integration

Want to be able to set or cancel temp targets from your phone, Pebble, Alexa, Google Assistant, or anything that supports If This, Then That (IFTTT)? Check out the YouTube Video below to see some sample integrations (click on the watchface photo to start video):

You can also create desktop widgets on your Android device to directly enter data into nightscout (just like IFTTT with workflow on Apple devices) using tools like HTTP Request Shortcuts from the play store. Examples toward end of document for this tool.

**Note for iPhone users** In June 2018 Apple released iOS 12 which renamed Workflow to Shortcuts and unfortunately removed the IFTTT integration. You can however achieve the same result of a button press on an iPhone sending instructions to your Nightscout site by following the iPhone Shortcuts Integration instructions.

### 24.1 IFTTT Setup for phones

- First we need to gather one thing called your “hashed API Secret”. This is basically your Nightscout site’s API secret, but scrambled into a confusing long string for safety. Find out what your NS hashed secret key is by running the command to find out: `nightscout hash-api-secret <your_API_secret>` while logged into your rig —OR—

- In your internet browser, open a console window while viewing your Nightscout site. Make sure you have “authenticated” your site by using your API secret in the Nightscout settings area (hint: if you see a little padlock in the upper left corner of the site, you haven’t authenticated it). Refresh the site and your hashed secret key will be shown as “apisecrethash: "xxxxxxxxxxx..."”. For Safari users on Mac, you can open the console window by selecting “Develop” from the Safari top menu, and then “Show Page Source” (if you do not see “Develop” in the top menu, activate it by going to Safari > Preferences... > Advanced, and checking the “Show Develop menu in menu bar” option). If you’re having problems seeing the apisecrethash, click the little grey triangle next to the “status isAuthenticated” line and the objects below it will display (see screenshot). Your hashed API secret can be copied and pasted from that line, as shown below. Save that somewhere easy to get to again, because you will be using it later.
• Get an IFTTT account
• Login to your IFTTT.com account and select the “New Applet” button.
• In the screen that appears, click on the blue “+this” part of the screen
• In the next screen, type “button” in the search field and then click on the red box labelled “ButtonWidget”
• Connect the buttonwidget by clicking on the large red “connect” button. Note: Connect button only appears on the first applet in a new account. Once it is connected it does not need to connect again.
• Click on the large red “button press” box
• Click on the blue “+that” text
• Enter “webhooks” in the search field and click on the Webhooks app
• Connect the Webhooks app. **Note:** This connect button also only appears on the first applet in a new account. Once it is connected it does not need to connect again.
• Select the blue “Make a Web Request” box
• Now you will have a blank web request template to complete.
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Complete action fields

Make a web request
This action will make a web request to a publicly accessible URL. NOTE: Requests may be rate limited.

URL (required)
https://yoursite.herokuapp.com/api/v1/treatments.json
Surround any text with "<<" and ">>" to escape the content

Method (required)
POST
The method of the request e.g. GET, POST, DELETE

Content Type
application/json

Optional

Body
{"enteredBy": "IFTTT-button",
"eventType": "Temporary Target",
"reason": "Eating Soon",
"targetTop": 80, "targetBottom": 80,
"duration": 60, "secret":
"your_hashed_api_goes_here!!!"}
Surround any text with "<<" and ">>" to escape the content

Create action
The following info should be filled in:

URL: https://yoursite.herokuapp.com/api/v1/treatments.json (change the “yoursite” part to your NS info)

Method: POST

Content Type: application/json

Body: The content of the body will depend on the action that you would like this particular button press to perform. You can only do ONE of the actions per button. Some sample content:

### 24.1.1 Example IFTTT trigger content

**Eating soon**

```json
{"enteredBy": "IFTTT-button", "eventType": "Temporary Target", "reason": "Eating Soon", "targetTop": 80, "targetBottom": 80, "duration": 60, "secret": "your_hashed_api_goes_here!!!"}
```

**Activity**

```json
{"enteredBy": "IFTTT-button", "eventType": "Temporary Target", "reason": "Activity", "targetTop": 140, "targetBottom": 120, "duration": 120, "secret": "your_hashed_api_goes_here!!!"}
```

**Cancel Temp Target**

```json
{"enteredBy": "IFTTT-button", "eventType": "Temporary Target", "duration": 0, "secret": "your_hashed_api_goes_here!!!"}
```

**Low Treatment (change carb amount to match your typical low treatment)**

```json
{"enteredBy": "IFTTT-button", "reason": "low treatment", "carbs": 10, "secret": "your_hashed_api_goes_here!!!"}
```

**Low Treatment with a 60 min high target to help recovery**

```json
{"enteredBy": "IFTTT-button", "eventType": "Temporary Target", "reason": "low treatment", "carbs": 5, "targetTop": 120, "targetBottom": 120, "duration": 60, "secret": "your_hashed_api_goes_here!!!"}
```

**Pump Site Change**

```json
{"enteredBy": "IFTTT-button", "eventType": "Site Change", "duration": 0, "secret": "your_hashed_api_goes_here!!!"}
```

**CGM Sensor Change (new sensor)**

```json
{"enteredBy": "IFTTT-button", "eventType": "Sensor Change", "duration": 0, "secret": "your_hashed_api_goes_here!!!"}
```

**CGM Sensor Start (restart current sensor)**

```json
{"enteredBy": "IFTTT-button", "eventType": "Sensor Start", "duration": 0, "secret": "your_hashed_api_goes_here!!!"}
```

**Carbs (change carb amount to match your required carb count. Make a button for each carb count required: 5-10-15-etc.)**
24.1.2 Understanding the JSON in the Body:

- **enteredBy**: Will show up on the NS website this way - enter what you want
- **eventType**: defines what we are doing - leave as is
- **reason**: will show up on the NS website - enter what you want
- **targets**: specify the range you want - enter what you want
- **duration**: you can make them as long or as short as you want - enter what you want
- **secret**: your hashed API secret key...NOT your regular API secret
- **Click the “Create Action” button on the bottom of the screen when you finish.**
- **Now is your chance to change the title of your Applet now to something meaningful. You can turn on notifications, too, using the slider shown. If you turn on the notifications, you will get an alert on your phone and pebble watch when the button press has been successfully deployed. Finish the IFTTT button by clicking on the Finish button that appears.**
- Repeat the setup for New Applets for as many automated actions as you would like to setup.
24.2 Enable IFTTT in your Nightscout site

- Find your Maker Key by going to your IFTTT account, Services and then clicking on Maker, then Maker settings.
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• You will see your Maker Key as the last part of the URL; copy and paste that last part (the red circled part as shown)
• Login to your Nightscout site host (azure or heroku) and (1) add your Maker Key to the MAKER_KEY line and (2) add “maker” to your ENABLE line.

```
docs/Customize-Iterate/../Images/IFTTT_NSkey.png
```

```
docs/Customize-Iterate/../Images/IFTTT_enable.png
```

### 24.3 Install IFTTT app on your Android

• Download the IFTTT app on your phone and log in.
• You can add homescreen quick buttons. Click on your IFTTT app and login, click on My Applets in the bottom right corner, and then click on the applet that you’d like to work with. From the middle of the applet, click on the Widget Settings, and then click on the Add button for the Homescreen Icon.

• For iPhone users, if you downswipe from the top of your iPhone screen, you will have the Today view or Notifications showing. They are separate pages; Today view is on the left, Notifications is on the right. You can left/right swipe to go between them. Go into the Today view and scroll to the bottom, click “edit”. This should show a list of existing widgets, followed by a list of “more widgets” with green + signs. Click on the IFTTT’s green circle and the widget will be moved to the top, active widgets area. You can hold your finger on the three left lines of the IFTTT widget row to drag it to the top of your widget panel, if you prefer to have it as the top-most widget.
If you end up with more than four IFTTT applets, they will appear in reverse-order of when they were created...which may not be the same as you’d prefer them to appear on your widget bar. If you’d like to reorder them:

- go into your iPhone’s IFTTT app
- click on My Applets
- click on the gear icon in upper left of screen
- click on Widgets
- click on the pencil icon in upper right of screen
- click and hold the three lines that appear on the right side of the widget that you want to move. Drag the widget to the order in the list that you’d like it to appear in your widget quickscreen.
24.4 ThisButton for the Pebble Watch - pictured at the very top of this page

- Load the ThisButton app from the Pebble Store.
- You need to enter your Maker key in the Settings for ThisButton on your phone when you go into the Pebble App.
- Under Events, there are two fields:
  - Name: what shows up on your watch
  - Event: the name of the Maker event to fire. It will have underscores in it like: eating_soon.
- Enter all the different events you created here and submit them.
  - These are separate events from ones you may have already created for the “Button” app
  - You will need to create new IFTTT recipes with THIS as the Webhooks “Receive a web request” trigger.
  - THAT will be identical to the THAT which you have probably already set up for “Button”
- Fire up the ThisButton app on your Pebble and try setting a new temp target.
- You can also add the ThisButton app as a short cut on your Pebble. If you don’t have shortcuts already, press and hold either the up, down, or middle button and follow the prompts. If you have both shortcuts programmed and want to change one, go to menu > settings > quick launch and follow prompts.

Note: ThisButton does not work on Pebble Round watches. You can search for IFTTT apps in the pebble store and choose one that is similar, however. The concept of setting up the events is similar.
24.5 Alexa integration

- Since you have IFTTT/Maker requests working, you can get it to work with anything that supports IFTTT, including Alexa. You will need to add “alexa” to your ENABLE line in your Nightscout host settings (azure) or config vars (heroku). And then repeat the steps above, but instead of using “ButtonWidget” service we started with earlier (the “+if” part of the setup)...you will use the “AmazonAlexa” service.

- Alexa requests do not need underscores, FYI.

24.6 Google Assistant integration

- If you don’t have Alexa, you can still use voice with Google Assistant to enter carbs, set or cancel temp targets, log site changes, etc.
- From the ‘THIS’ of the New Applet screen, select Google Assistant. Like the other services, you will have to allow it access.
- To use Google Assistant to enter meal carbs or rescue carbs:
  - Select “Say a phrase with a number”
  - Under “What do you want to say?” type out what you’ll say when you want to enter carbs and use “#” where you will say the carb amount. For example, “enter # carbs”. If you are going to make a distinction between meal and rescue carbs make sure to do that here. If you think you might occasionally use a different phrase, such as “I’m going to eat # carbs” enter it under “What’s another way to say it?” This is optional.
– Your Google Assistant will say something in response confirming the recipe has run. Put what you’d like it to say under “What do you want the Assistant to say in response?” Example: “entered # carbs”

– Click “Create Trigger”

• From the ‘THAT’ of the New Applet screen, choose the action service called Webhooks. Select “Make a web request.” Your THAT will be ALMOST identical to Webhooks recipes created for the Button (as explained above). Instead of the exact number of carbs you want to enter, under the Body field, click “Add Ingredient” then “NumberField”.

• Then click Create Action and Finish

• Here are some of the examples from above formatted for use with Google Assistant:

Enter Meal Carbs with Google Assistant (or Low treatment without high target to help recovery) EX: Triggered by “Enter # Carbs”

```json
{"enteredBy": "GoogleAssistant", "carbs": {{NumberField}}, "secret": "your_hashed_api__goes_here!!!"}
```

Custom Low Treatment with a 60 min high target to help recovery. EX: Triggered by “Enter # rescue carbs”

```json
{"enteredBy": "GoogleAssistant", "eventType": "Temporary Target", "reason": "low treatment", "carbs": {{NumberField}, "targetTop": 120, "targetBottom": 120, "duration": 60, "secret": "your_hashed_api_goes_here!!"}
```

### 24.7 Google Calendar integration

• Using the Google Calendar Applet with IFTTT is useful to trigger temp targets that may occur on a recurring schedule, although you can also schedule a one-time event in advance as well. If you already have IFTTT/Maker requests working it’s easy to add. Follow the directions for Setup for Phones above, but rather than choosing “Button Widget” type “Google Calendar” in the search field and then click on the box labeled “Google Calendar”.

• You will need make sure to allow the Google Calendar Applet access to your Google Calendar. When you do this it will ask which calendar you want to connect. You can use your main calendar, or a calendar you’ve set up especially for IFTTT events. You’ll need to do this ahead of time using the administrative functions of Google Calendar. To do this click on the gear icon at the upper right of Google Calendar (google.com/calendar, not the Applet in IFTTT), choose settings, choose the calendar tab (upper left) and then click the button to make a new calendar. Call it whatever you want and set permissions as appropriate.

• Once you’ve connected the appropriate calendar, continue your setup in IFTTT and choose “Event from search starts”. Type a phrase that you’ll use on the Google Calendar to denote a temp target (or other event). For example “Eating Soon” or “Activity” and then click the button that says create trigger. Click on the blue “+that” text and continue to follow the directions as above from Setup for Phones above to connect the Maker app and make the appropriate Web request.

• Now on your Google Calendar (make sure you create the event on whichever calendar you’ve connected to the Google Calendar IFTTT applet) you can create recurring events or one-time events to trigger temp targets. Use the same phrase that you used to create the trigger (Eating Soon, Activity, etc). For example, if you get up every day and eat at the same time during the week, schedule Eating Soon on those days at the appropriate time. If you know you’re going to take a day off work or school just remember to delete the event ahead of that date, or change as appropriate. Gym class for a child or sports practice only some days of a month? Sit down and schedule Activity Mode for those dates well in advance so you don’t have to remember at the time and they’ll trigger automatically.
HTTP Request Shortcuts Integration

HTTP Request Shortcuts allows direct posting of data to your nightscout site on your Android Phone without requiring a middle-ware tool like IFTTT. It also supports automation similar to the Workflow app on iOS. This can be valuable as there have been cases of IFTTT becoming unavailable which leads to unpredictable behavior when you start mashing buttons! Setup of this tool is fairly straightforward and will actually incorporate some of the same data as shown above for IFTTT buttons, particularly IFTTT trigger content above.

- Install the HTTP Request Shortcuts app from the Play Store to the device you interact with.
- Open the app and tap the + button on the lower right. That should bring you to a screen that looks similar to this (except your install won’t have 3 shortcuts already defined of course. :) ):

```
HTTP Shortcuts

Carb Entry

Hypo Treatment

Set Temp Target

+ button on the lower right to start adding a new shortcut from scratch.
```
The example is to setup a shortcut to use to enter carbs into nightscout. The example has URL and API key fields blacked out, simple replace those with your values. You may notice that the values in the body section are almost the same as for the IFTTT examples above. You can create shortcuts for all of those this way simply by changing the body values.
• The one difference with the IFTTT example is that we can insert a variable into the carbohydrate value field to tell HRS to ask you for how many grams of carbs you wish to log. Pressing on the {} to the right of the Body field will bring up a Variable selector. You can see I have 3 defined already, for a new setup, simply select “Edit Variables”. Then select the + sign to start setting up a new variable.

• Here is the setup for the Carb Entry Variable. This variable simply pops up a dialog and a numeric keypad asking you for the carb count when triggered. Once the variable is defined, go back to the Edit Shortcut screen. Delete the 10 (if you are using the IFTTT example data from above, or whatever carb value was defined) and select the new variable you created. It should look like the long Carb Shortcut image a bit above.
In June 2018 Apple released iOS 12 which renamed Workflow to Shortcuts and unfortunately removed the IFTTT integration. Early OpenAPS users were able to easily integrate Workflow/Shortcuts with their Nightscout site using the excellent IFTTT service. However, several people have noticed that the IFTTT service sometimes causes carb entries to be delayed, which sometimes can result in duplicate carb entries and insulin overdosing. You can instead safely achieve the same result, of a button press on an iPhone sending instructions to your Nightscout site, by following these instructions.

Note All of these integrations send instructions to your Nightscout site over the internet. Your phone will not be communicating directly with your rig so your phone must be online and your rig must have internet connectivity too to retrieve these instructions.

With these instructions you will gather and use:

- Your Nightscout site’s URL
- Your “hashed API Secret” which is sometimes called hash-api-secret”, sometimes “apisecrethash” and sometimes just “secret”

As with all technical instructions, every single character counts. If your laptop is a Mac, it is recommended to enable Copy and paste between devices from your Mac so that you can read these instructions on your laptop, command-C copy them on your laptop and paste them on your iPhone.

### 25.1 Get your “hashed API Secret”

First we need to gather one thing called your “hashed API Secret”. This is a scrambled version of your Nightscout site’s API secret, resulting in a confusing long string for safety.

#### 25.1.1 Get your “hashed API Secret” ... while logged into your rig

Find out what your NS hashed secret key is by running this command to find out:

```
nightscout hash-api-secret <your_API_secret>
```
25.1.2 Get your “hashed API Secret” ... while logged into your Nightscout site

In your internet browser, open a console window while viewing your Nightscout site. Make sure you have “authenti-
cated” your site by using your API secret in the Nightscout settings area (hint: if you see a little padlock in the upper
left corner of the site, you haven’t authenticated it). Refresh the site and your hashed secret key will be shown as
“apisecret: "xxxxxxxxxx..."”

For Safari users on Mac, you can open the console window by selecting “Develop” from the Safari top menu, and
then “Show Page Source” (if you do not see “Develop” in the top menu, activate it by going to Safari > Preferences...
> Advanced, and checking the “Show Develop menu in menu bar” option). If you’re having problems seeing the
apisecret, click the little grey triangle next to the “status isAuthenticated” line and the objects below it will
display (see screenshot). Your hashed API secret can be copied and pasted from that line, as shown below. Save
that somewhere easy to get to again, because you will be using it later.

25.2 Install “Shortcuts” in your iPhone

The Shortcuts app is from Apple, but is not installed by default.

- Open App Store
- Search for “Shortcuts”. The one you want is “Shortcuts Do more with your apps” from Apple.
25.2. Install “Shortcuts” in your iPhone
• Go through the “Welcome to Shortcuts” screens, and click on the “+ Create Shortcut” button in your “Library” to get started.

25.3 Create your first shortcut “Cancel Temp Target”

What you will do is create a shortcut which will communicate directly with your Nightscout site to send a command that will cancel any Temp(orary) Targets that are in effect. It’s a good example to start with as it is the simplest and, unless you do have a temporary target, the effects to your diabetes will be slight.

This shortcut will consist of 3 parts - called “actions”:

• the URL to send the instruction to (easy)
• the instruction to send (this will take some time)
• what to do with the reply from your Nightscout site (easy, but a little trick)
In the end, your new shortcut will look like this:

25.3. Create your first shortcut “Cancel Temp Target”

https://nightscout.herokuapp.com/api/v1/treatments.json
25.3.1 Text

Search for the action called “Text” (not the “Get Text from Input”) and add

https://yoursite.herokuapp.com/api/v1/treatments.json  (change the “your-site.herokuapp.com” part to your NS info)

This is where the instruction will be sent. Click on the lower right “Done” when ready.

25.3.2 Get Contents of URL

This will be the instruction that is sent. In this “action” there are many details that must be correct. Start by tapping on “Advanced”.

- Method: Initially it will be “GET”, change it to “POST”.
- Headers: your don’t need to do anything here
- Request Body: Initially it will be JSON - leave it as JSON - but you will need to add new fields, 4 for the (simple) instruction to “Cancel Temp Target”. The values for these 4 are:
  - type of value=Text, Key=enteredBy, Text=iPhone Shortcut (or whatever you want here)
  - type of value=Text, Key=eventType, Text=Temporary Target (you cannot change this, Nightscout needs it)
  - type of value=Number, Key=duration, enter 0 (this sets the remaining duration of any current temp to zero, cancelling it)
  - type of value=Text, Key=secret, Text=<the value of your "apisecrethash" from above, without quotes> (you cannot change this)

25.3.3 If

You will want to know that the instruction was successfully sent. Here we will set up the Shortcut to vibrate the phone when it looks like everything worked and to show the error message if something is wrong.

This one is “tricky” to set up as:

- First, you need to search-for and find “If”.
  - Input - Contains, Value="_id": (this time, possibly one of the only times, you DO want to have the double quotes exactly as shown here.)
- Second, find “Vibrate Device” but push-and-hold it, and move it up above “Otherwise”: see the next image.
- Third, find “Get Text from Input” and “Show Result” and move both of them above the “End If”
  - Here you choose the Contents of URL to see the error message that Nightscout returned.

25.4 Customise your first shortcut “Cancel Temp Target”

Congratulations - you’ve created your first “iPhone Shortcuts to Nightscout” Integration - time now to customise it with a name, colour and icon.

On the top right of the phone, there’s a “Done” text button and under it there’s the “Share” icon and a “Settings” icon which you will want to push.
In the “Name” field, click on the (default) name and change it to something like “Cancel Temp Target” and then give it an icon you like.

When you're done, click “Done”

### 25.5 Test your shortcut

You should now test that all works as you expect. Try running it - it should take about one second to run, and just after it finishes the three dots on the top-right will change to a tick-mark for a short time. This shows that everything worked as expected.

To see what happens when things go wrong try both of these:

#### 25.5.1 Test with a bad URL

- In the Text action at the very top of the Shortcut, add an “s” to the end of the URL - like this: https://yoursite.herokuapp.com/api/v1/treatments.jsons

- When you try to run the shortcut you’ll see Nightscout’s error.
- Remember to remove that extra s!

#### 25.5.2 Test with a bad apisecrethash

- In the Get Contents of URL action, add an extra “X” to the end of the secret field.
• When you try to run the shortcut you’ll see Nightscout’s error.
• Remember to remove that extra “X”!

Congratulations You have created and tested your first Shortcut!

25.6 Create more Shortcuts

Now that you’ve got your first shortcut, you’ll want some more! The steps are the same for all of these except there will be more, and different values for the “Get Contents of URL” fields.

25.6.1 Examples

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</table>
25.6.2 Understanding the fields in these instructions:

- enteredBy: Will show up on the NS website this way - enter what you want
- eventType: defines what we are doing - leave as is
- reason: will show up on the NS website - enter what you want
- targets: specify the range you want - enter what you want
- duration: you can make them as long or as short as you want - enter what you want
- secret: your hashed API secret key...NOT your regular API secret

25.7 A short note on entering a value

You might want to have an “Eat Carbs” shortcut which allows you to enter the amount of carbs.

To do that you will want to:

- copy one of the existing shortcuts (easiest way seems to be to “Share” and “Duplicate Shortcut”) to get the right Nightscout site URL and secret
- Insert at the top of the activities an “Ask for Input” with a “Question” of Carbs? and an “Input Type” of Number. I leave the “Default Answer” empty as I always seem to have to empty it first.
- In the “Get Contents of URL” you’ll want a new Number field, Key=carbs and for the value, first delete the 0 and then click Variables and choose Ask for Input.

You’ll want to leave everything else the same. When you run this, you’ll be asked for the carbs amount and that value will be sent to your Nightscout.
Eat Carbs

Method

POST

Headers

Request Body

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Add new field

Select Magic Variable

Text
Auto-sensitivity mode (Autosens)

Wouldn’t it be great if the system knew when you were running sensitive or resistant? That’s what we thought, so we created “auto-sensitivity mode”. If you explicitly configure this additional feature (again by enabling it through features in setup script), it will allow the system to analyze historical data on-the-go and make adjustments if it recognizes that you are reacting more sensitively (or conversely, more resistant) to insulin than usual. Autosens will then make temporary adjustments to the basal, ISF, and targets used for calculating temp basals, in order to keep BG closer to your configured target.

When you watch your autosens log (shortcut command is `autosens-looplog`) and sensitivity changes is going to be detected, you might see something like this:

```
Calculating sensitivity using 8h of non-excluded data Setting lastSiteChange to Tue Dec 19 2017 09:42:24 GMT-0600 (CST) using timestamp 2017-12-19T09:42:24-06:00
u(xxxxxxxxxxx11hxxxxxxxxxxx12h=43g(xxxxxxxxxxx13hxxxxxxxxxxx14h=xxx45gxxxxxxxxx15hxxxxxxxxxxx16h=xxxxxxxxx17hxxxxxx0gx)u(xxxxx18h=x35g(xx46gxxxxxxxxx19hxxxxxxx38gxxxxx20h=xxxxxxxxxxxx21hxxxxxx-x-x-x-x-x-x-22h=x-x-x-x-x-xxxxxxx23hxxxxxxx0gx Using most recent 18 deviations since Tue Dec 19 2017 09:42:24 GMT-0600 (CST) Adding 15 more zero deviations 36% of non-meal deviations negative (>50% = sensitivity) Sensitivity normal. ISF adjusted from 120 to 120 Calculating sensitivity using all non-excluded data (up to 24h) Setting lastSiteChange to Tue Dec 19 2017 09:42:24 GMT-0600 (CST) using timestamp 2017-12-19T09:42:24-06:00 u(xxxxxxxxxxx11hxxxxxxxxxxx12h=43g(xxxxxxxxxxx13hxxxxxxxxxxx14h=xxx45gxxxxxxxxx15hxxxxxxxxxxx16h=xxxxxxxxx17hxxxxxx0gx)u(xxxxx18h=x35g(xx46gxxxxxxxxx19hxxxxxxx38gxxxxx20h=xxxxxxxxxxxx21hxxxxxx-x-x-x-x-x-x-22h=x-x-x-x-x-xxxxxxx23hxxxxxxx0gx Using most recent 18 deviations since Tue Dec 19 2017 09:42:24 GMT-0600 (CST) Adding 15 more zero deviations 36% of non-meal deviations negative (>50% = sensitivity) Sensitivity normal. ISF adjusted from 120 to 120 Using 24h autosens ratio of 1 (ISF 120) Autosens refreshed: {"ratio":1}
```

Here’s what each symbol above means:

“x” : deviation is excluded. All deviations are excluded when there is COB through the time that COB drops to zero (carbs are fully absorbed) and deviations go negative once again. This is appropriate to eliminate the impact of rising BG due to carb absorption from sensitivity calucations and not falsely attribute it to insulin resistance. Deviations may also be excluded because of an unexplained high deviation (site failure, etc).

“+” : deviation was above what was expected
“-” : deviation was below what was expected. In addition, if a high temp target is running (i.e. activity mode), a negative deviation is added every 5 minutes, to nudge sensitivityRatio downward to reflect the sensitivity likely to result from activity.

“=” : BGI is doing what we expect. Neutral deviations are also added every 2h to help decay sensitivityRatio back toward 1 if all data is excluded.

“4h” : time stamp to mark hour of day - i.e. 4h = 4am, 22h = 10pm, etc.

“8g” : COB is displayed at any time a new carbs are recorded. Initial carb entry will show as full carbohydrate count followed by “(“ with subsequent COB notes (4g) as calculated net COB at any time when additional carbs are entered.

“u” : UAM check is based on total IOB as compared to normal basal rates. If IOB is > 2 hours of basal, UAM will be triggered and will remain until deviations turn negative again (with IOB < 2h basal).

The symbols are in chronological order, moving from oldest to newest. As there are typically CGM readings every 5 minutes, there are usually 12 comparisons each hour

26.1 Autosens adjustments

If you have papertrail setup (or are watching similarly through your rig itself), you can get an idea of how often, how much, and what autosens is adjusting. For example, here’s a screen capture using “adjust” as the search filter for one of my rigs.
As you can see, there are several types of adjustments that have occurred during the day.

- In the morning, autosens was detecting some excess insulin sensitivity...so basals, targets, and ISF were adjusted down (by multiplier of 0.94).
- Later in the day (the blue boxed section), another adjustment was made to her BG targets because of a persistent high. While not an adjustment by autosens itself, this is similar and can be set in preferences.json by setting the “adv_target_adjustments” to true. Basically this preference will automatically lower BG targets (to as low as “eating soon” mode target of 80 mg/dl) for persistent high BGs.
- Later in the day, a couple brief periods of insulin sensitivity were short-lived.
- Finally at night, we had a low-treatment for a BG. We use an IFTTT button to enter our low treatments and at the same time, the IFTTT sets up a temp target of 110 mg/dl for 60 minutes to make sure the loop doesn’t want to correct much on the recovery. That temp target is being respected by autosens and basals and targets are not being adjusted (even though autosens may like to).

26.2 Notes about autosensitivity:

- “Autosens” works by reviewing the both the last 8 hours and last 24 hours of data (so it’s a rolling calculation with a moving window of 24 hours) and assessing deviations to determine if you are more sensitive or resistant
than expected. If a pattern of such deviations is detected, it will calculate the adjustment that would’ve been required to bring deviations back to normal. It will then use the more conservative between the rolling 8 hour calculation or the 24 hour calculation.

- Autosens does NOT take into account meal/carb deviations; it only is able to assess the impact of insulin, and thus will adjust ISF, basals, and targets to help compensate for changes in sensitivity.

- Most users will notice the changed ISF numbers in their OpenAPS pill, along with autosens-adjusted targets.

- Note that a Nightscout care portal or IFTTT temp target (for activity/exercise as an example) will override the autosens-adjusted target but IT WILL NOT override an advance target adjustment to bring high BG down. This is because in 0.5.x, the temp target is honored, but the advanced target adjustment is applied after the temp target. So, if current BG is high, the advanced target adjustment will be applied starting from the activity temp target, so if BG is high enough it will still reduce the active target to 80 mg/dL / 4.4 mmol/L. Consequently, be cautious of activity periods that follow a high BG: your IOB could be quite significant and cause you to go low quite fast as you start moving. If you do not want OpenAPS to apply advanced target adjustment that can be turned off by editing preferences.json (shortcut command edit-pref) and setting the “adv_target_adjustments” to false. Finally, if you do not want autosens to adjusted target that can be turned off by editing preferences.json (shortcut command edit-pref) and setting the “autosens_adjust_targets” to false. In oref0 0.6.0, adv_target_adjustments is set to false by default, as its functionality has been replaced by instead using the (safer) zero-temp BG predictions to decide when it’s safe to dose additional insulin when high. The 0.6.0 exercise_mode feature also helps improve OpenAPS’ response to high temp targets.

- The reason for autosens automatically adjusting targets in 0.5.x is because the other adjustments it makes can’t be fully applied without creating a feedback loop, so automatically adjusting the target it thinks it’s shooting for lets autosens get BG closer to your actual target most of the time. When autosens needs to adjust basal and ISF, it can very straightforwardly use that for adjusting the temp basal it’s about to set, by assuming a higher or low neutral temp basal to start from, and by calculating a bigger or smaller expected impact of current IOB. What it can’t do is calculate IOB in a way that reflects the adjusted basals and ISF, because doing so would change the autosens result, which would require recalculating IOB again, which would further change the result, in an unpredictable feedback loop. So instead, we simply acknowledge that the IOB calculation doesn’t reflect sensitivity or resistance, and instead adjust the target to compensate. These limitations have been addressed in oref0 0.6.0.

- Autosens is limited by the safety multipliers in preferences.json. The defaults are:

```
"autosens_max": 1.2, <----multiplier for adjustments during insulin resistance
"autosens_min": 0.7, <----multiplier for adjustments during insulin sensitivity
```

We do not recommend widening these multipliers; but an easy way to turn “off” autosens after you’ve enabled it is to adjust the safety multipliers to 1. However, note that this will also disable autotune adjustments if you are running autotune.

### 26.3 Autosens vs Autotune

Autosens will make adjustments to whatever basal, ISF, and target profiles are currently set for the loop. If autotune is not enabled, that means autosens will be making on-the-go adjustments based on the settings read from your pump. If autotune is enabled, that means autosens will be using the autotuned-profile as the basis for making adjustments.

Since SMBs require a minimum basal rate of 0.3 U/hr, it is possible that your auto-adjusted basal rate used by the loop may end up being lower than what is programmed in your pump. If you expect to see SMBs enacting, but your pump basal rate is very close to 0.3 U/hr...adjustments by autosens and/or autotune may change your basal rate to be less than 0.3 U/hr.
Autotune is a tool to help calculate potential adjustments to ISF, carb ratio, and basal rates.

### 27.1 The easiest way to run Autotune

The easiest way to run Autotune, if you don’t have an OpenAPS rig, is to use “AutotuneWeb”. It’s a website where you enter your Nightscout URL, confirm your profile, and get results emailed directly to you. Click here to go use AutotuneWeb.

#### 27.1.1 What to expect when using AutotuneWeb

Click here to expand and see more images from AutotuneWeb

After you check your Nightscout profile to make sure it’s up to date, and submit your URL, it will take you to the profile page. You should check again and make sure it’s pulling from a current profile. This is where you can tell it
what type of insulin you’re using; how many days to run (up to 30, we recommend at least 7 to start); and provide your email address to get the results emailed to you.

- (Also note that if you want to use the generated files and run Autotune yourself over a longer time frame or with more customized options, you can grab the generated profile files here.)

### Converted Profile

Thank you, your Nightscout profile has been converted ready to use for Autotune. Please double-check that the details below are correct before running Autotune:

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### Running Autotune Yourself

1. Copy & paste your converted profile below into profile.json, pumpprofile.json and autotune.json
2. Run Autotune with `oreff-autotune --dir=./youropenaps --es-host= https://yourNsite.herokuapp.com/ --start-date=YYYY-MM-DD`

### Running Autotune in the Cloud

Complete the remaining fields below to run Autotune on this profile.

- **Min. 5 Minutes Carb Impact**: 8 mg/dL/5m
- **Pump Basal Increment**: 0.01 U/h
- **Categorize UAM as basal**: Autotune will likely recommend basals in fractions of a unit that you can't program into your pump, so enter here what increments your pump can handle (0.1, 0.5 etc.) to get your results rounded for you.
- **Insulin Type**: Rapid Acting (Humalog/Novolog/Novorsapid)
- **Days of Data**: 7 days
- **Email Results To**: youremail@email.com

When you get your email (note it may take 20 minutes), it will reference your NS URL at the top of the page and the date range you ran it on. The text will also tell you whether you ran with UAM on for basals.

On the left, you’ll see your starting values from your current NS profile; on the right is the tuned recommendation from Autotune.
Below the ISF and carb ratio, you’ll see the basal report.

- Suggestions highlighted in yellow indicate a suggested change of at least 10%, and red indicates a change of +20% or -30% (the standard limits imposed by Autotune). Please always take care when adopting any changes suggested by Autotune, but especially for these larger highlighted changes.

- The green & red blocks next to each basal suggestion indicate how many days the Autotune algorithm used actual BG data to produce the suggestion (green) and how many days it averaged the surrounding hours due to the data for that hour being dominated by other factors such as carb absorption. This is currently an experimental new feature to try to give an indication of how much trust to place in each suggestion.
## Basal Suggestions

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27.1.2 If it’s your first time using AutotuneWeb:

1. Make sure your Nightscout profile is up to date. This is where the “starting” settings are pulled from.
2. If you’ve not read about Autotune, please see below to get an understanding of how Autotune works and how you might use the results.
3. Want to run over a different time frame? Keep in mind you can also get a profile generated from AutotuneWeb and then follow the manual instructions below for running Autotune on your own computer.
4. Make sure to check out the privacy policy for AutotuneWeb, which includes directions for requesting your data to be deleted.
5. Results don’t look like what you expected to see? See here for some suggestions that might contribute to flukey data.

27.2 Other sections on this page

- Background in plain language on how Autotune works
- The difference between Autotune and “autosens” (aka, autosensitivity)
- Different ways to use Autotune
  - Run it with AutotuneWeb
  - Phase A - running it on the OpenAPS rig, but not using it to automatically update your rig’s settings
  - Phase B - running it on the OpenAPS rig automatically overnight, and OpenAPS will use these settings (DEFAULT OPENAPS BEHAVIOR)
  - Phase C - Those who are not running autotune on an OpenAPS rig should use Phase C to run it on the computer of their choice.

27.3 How Autotune works

There are two key pieces: oref0-autotune-prep and oref0-autotune-core. (For more autotune code, you can see oref0-autotune-(multiple files) listed in oref0/bin here - and there are also some autotune files in oref0/lib.

1. oref0-autotune-prep: (click to expand)
   - It calculates BGI and deviation for each glucose value based on treatments
   - Then, it categorizes each glucose value as attributable to either carb sensitivity factor (CSF), ISF, or basals
   - To determine if a “datum” is attributable to CSF, carbs on board (COB) are calculated and decayed over time based on observed BGI deviations, using the same algorithm used by Advanced Meal Assist. Glucose values after carb entry are attributed to CSF until COB = 0 and BGI deviation <= 0. Subsequent data is attributed as ISF or basals.
   - If BGI is positive (meaning insulin activity is negative), BGI is smaller than 1/4 of basal BGI, or average delta is positive, that data is attributed to basals.
   - Otherwise, the data is attributed to ISF.
   - All this data is output to a single file with 3 sections: ISF, CSF, and basals.
2. oref0-autotune-core: (click to expand)

- autotune-core reads the prepped glucose file with 3 sections. It calculates what adjustments should be made to ISF, CSF, and basals accordingly.
- For basals, it divides the day into hour long increments. It calculates the total deviations for that hour increment and calculates what change in basal would be required to adjust those deviations to 0. It then applies 20% of that change needed to the three hours prior (because of insulin impact time). If increasing basal, it increases each of the 3 hour increments by the same amount. If decreasing basal, it does so proportionally, so the biggest basal is reduced the most.
- For ISF, it calculates the 50th percentile (median) deviation for the entire day and determines how much ISF would need to change to get that deviation to 0. It applies 10% of that as an adjustment to ISF.
- For CSF, it calculates the total deviations over all of the day's mealtimes and compares to the deviations that are expected based on existing CSF and the known amount of carbs entered, and applies 10% of that adjustment to CSF.
- Autotune limits how far it can adjust (or recommend adjustment, if running autotune outside oref0 closed loop) basal, or ISF or CSF, from what is in the existing pump profile. Autotune uses the same autosens_max and autosens_min multipliers found in your preferences.json for oref0. So if autotune is running as part of your loop, autotune can’t get too far off without a chance for a human to review the changes.

Note: Autotune does not read from the active profile (e.g. Pattern A or Pattern B if set). The Standard Basal Pattern is what will be pulled to be used and tuned by Autotune.

27.4 The difference between autotune and autosens:

Autosensitivity/resistance mode (aka “autosens”) is an advanced feature in OpenAPS that you can enable that looks at 24 hours of data and makes adjustments to ISF and targets based on the resulting sensitivity calculations. If you have a dying pump site, or have been sick and are resistant, your ISF is likely to be calculated down by autosens and then used in OpenAPS calculations accordingly. The opposite for being more sensitive is true as well. (Here’s a blog post describing autosensitivity during sick days.)

Autotune, by contrast, is designed to iteratively adjust basals, ISF, and carb ratio over the course of weeks. Because it makes changes more slowly than autosens, autotune ends up drawing on a larger pool of data, and is therefore able to differentiate whether and how basals and/or ISF need to be adjusted, and also whether carb ratio needs to be changed. Whereas we don’t recommend changing basals or ISF based on the output of autosens (because it’s only looking at 24h of data, and can’t tell apart the effects of basals vs. the effect of ISF), autotune is intended to be used to help guide basal, ISF, and carb ratio changes because it’s tracking trends over a large period of time. See below for how it can be used as a manual one-off calculation or in a closed loop setting, along with notes about the safety caps designed to go with it.

27.4.1 Different ways to utilize Autotune

- (Recommended & easiest for non-OpenAPS users) Run it with AutotuneWeb
- Phase A - run autotune as a one-off on an OpenAPS rig (aka, manually)
- Phase B - run autotune nightly in an OpenAPS rig (DEFAULT OPENAPS BEHAVIOR)
- Phase C - run autotune as a “one-off” on a computer of your choice.

Phase A: Running Autotune manually in OpenAPS

If you have an OpenAPS rig and want to run autotune manually, you can do so on the command line.
Running manually in your myopenaps directory

If you want to have OpenAPS use your autotune results (e.g. you changed pump settings and just want it to be tuned sooner than 4am), run the following:

```
oref0-autotune --dir=~/%myopenaps --ns-host=https://NIGHTSCOUT_URL_HERE --start-date=YYYY-MM-DD
```

- Make sure to sub in your Nightscout URL and the date you want to start with. Note that you must not use the trailing / on the Nightscout URL or that will cause an error.

Running manually in a different directory to not use the results automatically

You will want to run Autotune in a different directory on your rig if you do not want OpenAPS to use the autotune settings by default.

- Run this command to create a new directory and copy over the profile and pump settings files:

```
```

- Then, run Autotune manually, pointing to the new directory:

```
oref0-autotune --dir=~/%newdirectory --ns-host=https://NIGHTSCOUT_URL_HERE --start-date=YYYY-MM-DD
```

- Again, sub in your NS URL and the date you want to start with. Do not use the trailing / on the URL.
- If you change your pump settings, you will need to re-copy your pump settings back into newdirectory.

Note: If you did this correctly in your newdirectory, settings will not be used by OpenAPS. You will need to cd ~/newdirectory/autotune && cat autotune_recommendations.log to see your autotune recommendations, and autotune will only run when you manually run it. The recommended behavior is to run Autotune inside of your OpenAPS directory, per Phase B, which is the default and will automatically run every night and have OpenAPS use the settings from Autotune automatically.

Phase B: Running Autotune automatically in OpenAPS

In oref0 0.6.0 and beyond, autotune will run by default. This means that autotune would be iteratively running (as described in #261) and making changes to the underlying basals, ISF, and carb ratio being used by the loop, making small adjustments from the previously autotuned settings based on each day’s new data. However, there are safety caps (your autosens_max and autosens_min) in place to limit the amount of tuning that can be done at any time compared to the underlying pump profile. The autotune_recommendations will be tracked against the current pump profile, and if over time the tuning constantly recommends changes beyond the caps, you can use this to determine whether to tune the basals and ratios in those directions.

Important When autotune is enabled in your loop to run automatically, changes to your basal profile within the pump during the middle of the day will NOT cause an immediate change to the basal profile the loop is using. The loop will continue to use your autotune-generated profile until a new one is updated just after midnight each night. Each autotune nightly run will pull the current pump profile as its baseline for being able to make adjustments. If you have reason to want a want a mid-day change to your basal program immediately, you should run autotune manually (see A for directions) to have it re-pull the settings from the pump and tune from the new settings.
How to copy over autotune files from another rig:

If you have multiple rigs and would like to sync up autotune results, or move an existing autotune over to a brand new rig, you’ll want to copy files over. (Click to expand these instructions)

Log into the NEW rig and run the following command: `scp -r root@my-edison-original.local:~/myopenaps/autotune/ ~/myopenaps/autotune` (where “my-edison-original” is substituted for your rig name that you want to copy files from)

- You’ll be asked for your my-edison-original rig’s password (where you are copying FROM).
- This will copy everything in the autotune directory over.

Phase C: Running Autotune for suggested adjustments without an OpenAPS rig

**Note:** the easiest way of running Autotune is now “AutotuneWeb”. See the top of this page for instructions on running it via the web service, without having to set it up on your own computer. If you do want to manually set up your own computer to be able to run it over a time period >30 days or other reasons, see below.

*Caution for AndroidAPS users:* Currently, the master oref0 version with Autotune does not parse AndroidAPS entries correctly. **You must set AndroidAPS to upload all temp basals as “absolute” rates, instead of %, and use the dev branch of oref0.** If you do not do both of these things, your results will be wrong! Future versions of Autotune will allow using AndroidAPS data as long as the option to upload temp basals as absolute values instead of / in addition to percent is enabled in AndroidAPS.

If you are not running autotune as part of a closed loop, you can still run it as a “one-off” (OpenAPS/existing oref0 users may want to use the above instructions instead, however, from phase A or phase B on this page.) For more about autotune, you can read Dana’s autotune blog post for some background/additional detail and scroll up in the page to see more details about how autotune works.

**Requirements:** You should have Nightscout BG and treatment data. If you do not regularly enter carbs (meals) into Nightscout (this happens automatically when you use the “Bolus Wizard” on the Medtronic pump and should not be manually added to Nightscout if you use the Bolus Wizard), autotune will try to raise basals at those times of days to compensate. However, you could still look at overnight basal recommendations and probably even ISF recommendations overall. Read this page for more details on what you should/not pay attention to with missing data.

**Note:** this is currently based on one ISF and carb ratio throughout the day. Here is the issue if you want to keep track of the work to make autotune work with multiple ISF or carb ratios.

**Feedback:** Please note autotune is brand new, and still a work in progress (WIP). Please provide feedback along the way, or after you run it. You can share your thoughts in Gitter, or via this short Google form.

**Step 0: Decide where to run Autotune**

- (Remember you can use AutotuneWeb if you don’t want to run it on your computer.)
- There are five main ways to run Autotune on your own: via (a) a cloud-based virtual machine (Linux VM through Google Cloud Platform, for example), (b) on a virtual machine on Windows (e.g., VirtualBox), (c) on a Mac directly, (d) on a Windows 10 computer running the Windows Subsystem for Linux (WSL), or (e) direct on a physical machine running Linux. Instructions for the first four are below.
- Whichever route you are using, we recommend some form of Debian distro (Ubuntu is the most common) for consistency with the Raspbian and jubilinux environments used on the Pi and Edison for OpenAPS.
- If you’re interacting with your VM via its graphical interface, make sure you have installed a browser at your VM (i.e. Firefox) then open the correct page from your VM. You may think that copying from your Windows/iOS and pasting in your Linux terminal would work but is not as simple ...and yes, there is lots of copying / pasting! To make copying and pasting simpler, it is often better to **ssh** directly to your VM, rather than using its graphical interface (or the cloud provider’s console interface).
Step 1a: Run via a cloud-based virtual machine

Click here to expand the instructions for building via a cloud-based virtual machine:

- To run a Linux VM on a cloud server, free options include AWS (free for 1 year) and Google Cloud (free trial for a year; about $5/mo after that). If you’re willing to pay up front, Digital Ocean is $5/mo and very fast to set up. AWS may take a day to spin up your account, so if you’re in a hurry, one of the others might be a better option.

- Once signed up to Google Cloud Platform (if you are using that route), click the terminal icon near the top right to activate the cloud shell - a black window will appear at the bottom of the screen. Note that you can easily cut & paste into this terminal without the need to do anything special.

- Make sure your VM is using the same timezone as your pump. You can change timezone using `sudo dpkg-reconfigure tzdata`

- If your VM is outside the US, particularly in a country that uses , as a decimal separator, make sure your system locale is set to `en_US.utf8` or another locale that uses . as the decimal separator. If you think this may be incorrect, you can check it by typing `locale`.

- If you’re interacting with your VM via its graphical interface, make sure you have installed a browser at your VM (i.e. Firefox) then open the correct page from your VM. You may think that copying from your Windows/iOS and pasting in your Linux terminal would work but is not as simple .. and yes, there is lots of copying / pasting! To make copying and pasting simpler, it is often better to `ssh` directly to your VM, rather than using its graphical interface (or the cloud provider’s console interface).

- Now do this: `sudo curl -s https://raw.githubusercontent.com/openaps/docs/master/scripts/quick-packages.sh | bash` - This will take a minute or so. If the install was successful, the last line will say something like: Successfully installed openaps-contrib-0.15 (although the version number may have been incremented). If you do not see this or see error messages, try running it multiple times. It will not hurt to run this multiple times.

- On Google Cloud Shell do: `sudo npm install -g json`

- On Google Cloud shell at least, you need to set your NightScout API_SECRET as an environment variable. To do this type `sudo env API_SECRET=xxxxxx` (where xxxxx is your API_SECRET, either as the string you gave Nightscout, or as `token=xxxxxx` which you generated in Nightscout admin interface) followed by `sudo export API_SECRET`

- Please note that on Google Cloud Shell, the terminal becomes inactive by default after 30 minutes inactivity, and you need to repeat the above each time you (re)start a new terminal instance.

- Now move to step 2.

Step 1b: Run via a Windows-based virtual machine

Click here to expand the instructions for building via a Windows-based virtual machine:

- An easy way to start is the VirtualBox as VM and Ubuntu as Linux OS. Step-by-step setup instructions can be found here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ncA85gRAJxk. However skip the instructions for downloading Ubuntu (time stamp 1:15 to 2:12) because those instructions are now outdated. Download the correct 32 bit version from this link: http://releases.ubuntu.com/17.04/ubuntu-17.04-desktop-i386.iso and then go back to the Youtube video to follow the setup instructions for installing Ubuntu on VirtualBox. If you experience problems with this version 17.04 of Ubuntu you can try the LTS version of Ubuntu, which has worked for some. Here is the link for Ubuntu LTS: https://www.ubuntu.com/download/desktop/thank-you?version=16.04.3&architecture=amd64. After downloading the LTS version go back to the Youtube video to follow the setup instructions for installing Ubuntu on VirtualBox.

- Make sure your VM is using the same timezone as your pump. You can change timezone using `sudo dpkg-reconfigure tzdata`

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• If your VM is outside the US, particularly in a country that uses \( , \) as a decimal separator, make sure your system locale is set to `en_US.utf8` or another locale that uses \( . \) as the decimal separator. If you think this may be incorrect, you can check it by typing `locale`.

• Now do this: `sudo curl -s https://raw.githubusercontent.com/openaps/docs/master/scripts/quick-packages.sh | bash -`. This will take a minute or so. If the install was successful, the last line will say something like: Successfully installed openaps-contrib-0.15 (although the version number may have been incremented). If you do not see this or see error messages, try running it multiple times. It will not hurt to run this multiple times.

**Step 1c: Prep your Mac**

Click here to expand the instructions for building via your Mac:

• MAC USERS: Follow these steps instead of 1a / 1b above if you want to run autotune on your Mac. (Mac users can instead do the above instructions if they prefer to create a Linux virtual machine to run it on):

• To run AutoTune using a Mac you will use the Terminal application. Open the Terminal application on your Mac (it is located in the Utilities application folder on your Mac). For more information about using Terminal see: [http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/Understanding OpenAPS-Overview/overview-of-build-process.html#before-you-get-started](http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/Understanding OpenAPS-Overview/overview-of-build-process.html#before-you-get-started)

• After you open a Terminal window, copy and paste the command for each of the Mac install command steps below, and then hit the return key after you paste each command, which will execute it. If you are asked for a password, enter the password for your Mac.

• Tip for New Mac Users: If you typically use a Windows machine and you keep trying to do a control-c (copy) and control-v (paste), remember, on a Mac use command-c (copy) and command-v (paste) instead.

• For example, the first step is to install Homebrew on your Mac. To do this you need to copy and paste the following command from step 1.) of the Mac install commands below and then hit the return key: `/usr/bin/ruby -e "$\{(curl -fsSL https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/install/master/install)\}"

Mac install commands:

• 1.) Install Homebrew: `/usr/bin/ruby -e "$\{(curl -fsSL https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/install/master/install)\}"

• 2.) Install Coreutils: `brew install coreutils`

• 3.) Install Node for (NPM): `brew install node`

• 4.) Install JQ from Homebrew: `brew install jq`

**Step 1d: Run on a Windows 10 computer using the Windows Subsystem for Linux (WSL)**

Click here to expand the instructions for building via a Windows 10 computer using the Windows Subsystem for Linux (WSL):

• You must be running Windows 10 on your computer to use this option. The Windows Subsystem for Linux (WSL) is a Windows 10 feature that enables you to run native Linux command-line tools directly on Windows, alongside your traditional Windows desktop and modern store apps.

• Open PowerShell as Administrator. To open an elevated PowerShell prompt, in the taskbar search, type powershell. The result “Windows PowerShell” appears on the top. Right-click on “Windows PowerShell” and select Run as Administrator. The User Access Control (UAC) prompt will ask you for your consent.

• In PowerShell run `Enable-WindowsOptionalFeature -Online -FeatureName Microsoft-Windows-Subsystem-Linux`.

• This instruction is for Windows 10 build 16215 or later. To check your build of Windows 10 navigate to Settings > System > About. Look for the OS Build field. It will need to say 16215 or later for these next
instructions to work. If you have a Windows 10 build earlier than 16215 follow these instructions to install Linux: https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/windows/wsl/install-win10#for-anniversary-update-and-creators-update-install-using-lxrun. Only follow this link if your build of Windows 10 is earlier than 16215.

• Open the Microsoft Store and install Ubuntu using this link: https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/store/p/ubuntu/9nblggh4msv6?rtc=1. On this Ubuntu page click on the blue button that says “Get the app”. The Microsoft Store will open in a new window, showing the Ubuntu app. Click on the blue button that says “Get”. Your computer will start to install the Ubuntu app (“Installing, this may take a few minutes...”). When done it will say, “Installation successful!”.

• You will be asked to “create a default UNIX user account”. Chose whatever name works for you. It doesn’t need to match your Windows username. Enter the name at the prompt, “Enter new UNIX username:”.

• You will be asked for a password: “Enter new UNIX password:”. Your cursor will not move when you type the password you choose. You’ll then be asked to “Retype new UNIX password:”. Make sure you enter the password exactly as you just typed it. Again, your cursor will not move as you retype the password.

• You will now be at a Linux prompt (like the old DOS prompt). It will look something like this, in a green font: “username@DGdesktop: $”.

• Make sure you (that is, WSL/Ubuntu) are using the same timezone as your pump. You can change timezone using `sudo dpkg-reconfigure tzdata`. WSL/Ubuntu may respond to this command with “[sudo] password for username”. If so enter your password from above. Follow the prompts to select your timezone. You likely will not be able to use your mouse to navigate on the timezone screens. Use your keyboard’s arrow keys to navigate and the Enter key to select.

• If your WSL is outside the US, particularly in a country that uses , as a decimal separator, make sure your system locale is set to `en_US.utf8` or another locale that uses . as the decimal separator. If you think this may be incorrect, you can check it by typing `locale`.

• This step could take 10-15 minutes. Type: `sudo curl -s https://raw.githubusercontent.com/openaps/docs/master/scripts/quick-packages.sh | bash -`. If the install was successful, one of the last lines will say something like: Successfully installed future-0.16.0 openaps-contrib-0.0.15 parsedatetime-2.4 recurrent-0.2.5 (although the version number may have been incremented).

• Install the Linux command “bc” by typing: `sudo apt-get install bc`.

Step 2: Install oref0

• Install the latest version of oref0:

```
npm list -g oref0 | egrep oref0080.5.[5-9] || (echo Installing latest oref0 package && sudo npm install -g oref0)
```

• If you need the dev version of oref0 (for example, to run autotune with AndroidAPS as of August 2018):

```
cd ~/.src && git clone -b dev git://github.com/openaps/oref0.git || (cd oref0 && git checkout dev && git pull)  
cd ~/.src/oref0 && npm run global-install
```

Step 3: Create a profile.json with your settings

• A. Create a myopenaps and settings directory. `mkdir -p ~/.myopenaps/settings`

• B. Change into that directory: `cd ~/.myopenaps/settings`

• C. Create a profile file by typing `nano profile.json`. Copy and paste the example below, but input your information from your pump. Change the basal profile times to match yours (update the minutes to match your basal start time; the minutes are number of minutes from midnight to the start of basal, e.g., a basal starting at 5:00am will have a minutes entry of 5 x 60 = 300 minutes and a basal starting at 7:30am will have a minutes
entry of $7.5 \times 60 = 450$ minutes, and add more entries if needed. It’s very common for first-time users to have problems that result from mistakes introduced into this file. Some common ones to check:

- Be sure that all of the } lines in basalprofile have a comma after them, except the last one.
- You need to use a 0 before any entries with a decimal point, such as a basal rate of $0.35$; without the 0 before the decimal point, your autotune will have an error.
- If you don’t like editing in the terminal, you can edit the profile files in a text editor. However, be aware that TextEdit will replace normal quotes (") with curly quotes ("”) if you have “smartquotes” enabled in preferences, and this difference will make autotune fail. You can download BBEdit (https://www.barebones.com/products/bbedit/) if you want a simple text editor that works well. The trial version is sufficient, you won’t be using advanced features.

Every comma, quote mark, and bracket matter on this file, so please double-check carefully.

- Make sure to adjust these settings to match yours:

  - **dia** - Duration of Insulin Action (DIA), in hours (e.g., 4.5, or 3). Usually determined by the type of insulin and its effectiveness on you.

  - **basal profile** - you need at least one basal rate in here. You can create multiple of these for all of your basal rates, which will give you an easier visual comparing your current basals to what autotune recommends (see visual example), but at a minimum you just need one here for autotune to run. But we recommend putting all or most of your basals in, in order for autotune to appropriately cap at the safety limits (and compare to 20% above or below your existing basals). If you do not put your full basal profile in, it will not compare to those with the safety cap because it does not know about it.

  - “sensitivity” should be your iSF - in mg/dL/U (if using mmol/L/U multiply by 18)

  - “carb_ratio” at the end should be your carb ratio

- Make sure to exit the profile.json when done editing this file - Control-X and hit yes to save.

```
{
  "min_5m_carbimpact": 8.0,
  "dia": your_dia,
  "basalprofile": [
    {
      "start": "00:00:00",
      "minutes": 0,
      "rate": your_basal
    },
    {
      "start": "08:00:00",
      "minutes": 480,
      "rate": your_basal
    },
    {
      "start": "13:00:00",
      "minutes": 780,
      "rate": your_basal
    },
    {
      "start": "21:00:00",
      "minutes": 1260,
      "rate": your_basal
    }
  ],
  "isfProfile": {
    "sensitivities": [
```

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D. Verify your profile.json is valid json by running `jq . profile.json` - if it prints a colorful version of your profile.json, you’re good to proceed. If not, go back and edit your profile.json to fix the error.

E. Create a pumpprofile.json that is the same as your profile.json. On the command line run: `cp profile.json pumpprofile.json`

F. Create a third file from the command line by running: `cp profile.json autotune.json`

Step 4: Run autotune on retrospective data from Nightscout

- Run

```bash
oref0-autotune --dir=~/.myopenaps --ns-host=https://NIGHTSCOUT_URL_HERE --start-date=YYYY-MM-DD
```

- Make sure to sub in your Nightscout URL and the date you want to start with. Note that you must not use the trailing / on the Nightscout URL or that will cause an error.

- Start with one day to confirm that it works, first. Then run it for one week, and then one month. Compare results and see if the numbers are consistent or changing, and see how that aligns with your gut feeling on whether your basals, ISF, and carb ratio was correct.

- If you want to run dates in the past, add the following: `--end-date=YYYY-MM-DD` (otherwise, it will just default to ending yesterday). The start date should be the older date, the end date is the more recent date.

- Remember, this is currently based on one ISF and carb ratio throughout the day at the moment. Here is the issue if you want to keep track of the work to make autotune work with multiple ISF or carb ratios.

- If useCustomPeak is not set in preferences.json and `--tune-insulin-curve=true` is not used, the DIA used by autotune is obtained from the pump and the peak time is obtained from the defaults of the insulin curve selected in preferences.json.

Step 5: Upload resulting profile to Nightscout

- Run

```bash
oref0-upload-profile ./myopenaps/autotune/profile.json $NS_SITE $API_SECRET
```

- Replace $NS_SITE with address of your Nightscout, and $API_SECRET with your API secret or token

- Upload may fail if the profile doesn’t have settings that OpenAPS or Nightscout deem required for a profile to have. Unfortunately, the messages about this are somewhat cryptic.

- This will make a copy of all the profiles you currently have, and upload the generated one, naming it OpenAPS Autosync

Step 5a: Upload resulting profile to Nightscout and switch to it

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Run

```bash
oref0-upload-profile --switch ./myopenaps/autotune/profile.json $NS_SITE $API_SECRET
```

* Replace `$NS_SITE` with address to your Nightscout, and `$API_SECRET` with your API secret or token

* In addition to uploading the profile like described above, it will issue a Profile Switch event, as described in AndroidAPS documentation. This will make AndroidAPS automatically pick up the new profile and switch to it, also resetting autosens. Keep this in mind, since, as diabetech writes *Frequent profile switches will stop Autosens from working properly.*

Optional configurations

* For most people, autotune’s UAM detection does a good job of excluding anomalous data from unannounced or imprecisely estimated carbs, stress spikes, etc., and is able to properly tune basals using the non-excluded data. In rare cases, some people’s basal settings are so far below their real basal rates when starting out with autotune that they find the algorithm unable to suggest raising basals because it is classifying all periods when basals are too low as unannounced meals. If you notice this issue, you are certain you have precisely entered carb counts for all carb intake events, and you want autotune to raise basal for abrupt BG rises due to stress etc., then you can force the algorithm to classify unannounced meal periods as basal periods using the `--categorize-uam-as-basal=true` option. Most people should not need this option, and it should only be used with care. **SAFETY WARNING** If you use this option and treat lows without entering the low treatment carbs, an amplifying cycle will begin with autotune raising basals, treated lows get categorized as basals being too low, basals are raised causing lows, etc.

* If running 0.7.0 or later, autotune has a `--tune-insulin-curve=true` option that enables autotune to tune the insulin end time (DIA) and insulin peak. To use this option, the command should be entered before the ns-host details. The values listed below are calculated for insulin end times 2 hours less than the current end time to 2 hours more. If they agree in moving the insulin end time in the same direction, the insulin end time is moved by 1 hour. Insulin peak time is tuned similarly in steps of 5 minutes for peak times 10 minutes less than the current peak time to 10 minutes more than the current peak time. **SAFETY WARNING** This tuning method is still very much experimental and not recommended to be run unattended.

  * Average deviations observed in the data
  * Square root of the average of the squared deviations

Re-Running Autotune

Remember, to initially set-up Autotune follow the instructions above

To subsequently re-run Autotune at a later time:

* Open Ubuntu/your machine of choice and login if necessary
* At command prompt which will start with your username: `cd ~/myopenaps/settings`
* Then: `nano profile.json` (this gets you to the pump settings section)
  * Now edit your settings (using up / down arrows and backspace) – CR; ISF; basals etc.
  * Press Control-X (to save your new settings)
  * Press Y (to confirm save new settings)
* Now should see command prompt which will start with your user name again.
* Now follow steps D, E, F from the link above ie:
  * `jq . profile.json` (if it prints a colourful version of your profile.json, you’re good to proceed)
- cp profile.json pumpprofile.json
- cp profile.json autotune.json

- Then to re-run Autotune, subbing in your URL and the date you want to start with:
  oref0-autotune --dir=~/myopenaps --ns-host=https://NIGHTSCOUT_URL_HERE
  --start-date=YYYY-MM-DD

Why Isn’t It Working At All?

(First - breathe, and have patience!) Here are some things to check:

If you get the error **ERROR: API_SECRET is not set when calling oref0-autotune.sh and autotune won’t run, try this (note: as of oref 0.5.5, this error has been downgraded to a warning as this will only prevent autotune from running if you have “locked down” your NS to prevent anonymous read access):**

1. Log into your VM
2. At the command prompt, type `cd /etc/` and hit enter
3. Type `sudo nano environment` and hit enter
4. You are now editing the `environment` file. Add a new line to the file that says: `API_SECRET=yourAPIsecret` (Note - replace “yourAPIsecret” with your own)
5. Hit CTRL-O and enter to save the changes to the file
6. Hit CTRL-X and enter to exit the file and go back to the command prompt
7. At the command prompt, type `export API_SECRET=yourAPIsecret` (Note - replace “yourAPIsecret” with your own)

To test this fix, type `echo $API_SECRET` and hit enter. If this returns the API Secret that you set in the `environment` file, then it should work for you to run autotune.

Other things to check:

- If you see error like `TypeError: opts.glucose.map is not a function` check that you have `API_SECRET` in the right format, as described in this issue. You either need `API_SECRET=xxxx` where `xxxx` is the string you gave Nightscout, or `API_SECRET=token=xxxxx` where `xxxxx` is the token you generated in Nightscout admin interface.

- Does your Nightscout have data? It definitely needs BG data, but you may also get odd results if you do not have treatment (carb, bolus) data logged. See this page with what output you should get and pay attention to depending on data input.

- Did you pull too much data? Start with one day, and make sure it’s a day where you had data in Nightscout. Work your way up to 1 week or 1 month of data. If you run into errors on a longer data pull, there may be something funky in Nightscout that’s messing up the data format file and you’ll want to exclude that date by picking a batch that does not include that particular date.

- Make sure when you sub in your Nightscout URL you do not include a “/” at the end of the URL

- Check your profile.json and make sure it really matches the example - chances are there’s a stray character in there. - “start” time stamps must have the format “HH:MM:SS”. “HH:MM” (e.g. “00:00” instead of “00:00:00”) gives erroneous calculations such as “-Infinity” or “Nan” for the ISF and CR values. This results in the ISF & Carb ratio values being unchanged. Example output (console): `oldCR: 9 fullNewCR: NaN newCR: NaN p50deviation: -0.76 p50BGI 0 p50ratios: -Infinity Old ISF: 44 fullNewISF: -Infinity adjustedISF: 44 newISF: 44`
Telltale sign is the input and output values for ISF and carb ratio remain unchanged:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Pump</th>
<th>Autotune</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ISF [mg/dL/U]</td>
<td>44.000</td>
<td>44.000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Carb Ratio [g/U]</td>
<td>9.000</td>
<td>9.000</td>
</tr>
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- Also check your pumpprofile.json and autotune.json - if it worked once or twice but then stopped working, it may have a bad file copy. If needed, follow Steps 3-E and 3-F again to re-copy a good profile.json to pumpprofile.json and autotune.json again.

- If VM is already set up, and you are returning to your VM for another session of autotune, double-check that your VM timezone matches your pump:
  ```
sudo dpkg-reconfigure tzdata
  ```
- Invalid calculations may be due to the locale settings of your VM (correct settings are `en_US.utf-8` or another locale that uses . as the decimal separator). An easy way to overcome such a problem is to add `env LANG=en_US.UTF-8` in front of your command for running autotune, it should look like this:
  ```
  env LANG=en_US.UTF-8 oref0-autotune --dir=~myopenaps --ns-host=https://NIGHTSCOUT_URL_HERE --start-date=YYYY-MM-DD
  ```
- Did you turn on Nightscout authentication with the setting `AUTH_DEFAULT_ROLES`? Currently Autotune will only work with the `readable` setting. See issue #397 in Github.

- If you are using NightScoutLoader to load the Diasend data to your Nightscout site, ensure the Diasend xls date format is the same as the date format selected in the NightScoutLoader Settings. For USA users, the Diasend xls date format is “mm/yy/yyyy HH:mm” format which isn’t supported by NightScoutLoader at this time. The NightScoutLoader app currently only supports {“Default”, “dd/MM/yy hh:mm”, “MM/dd/yy hh:mm”, “dd/MM/yy”, “MM/dd/yy”} formats. “Default” corresponds to your OS date format for the English locale. If none of these formats correspond to your Diasend xls data, as a workaround until NightScoutLoader is remedied, either set your system default date format to correspond to Diasend’s date format or change the date format in the Diasend xls data file for all Times and Dates to correspond to NightScoutLoader Settings. For example, the tabs “Name and glucose”, “CGM”, “Insulin use and carbs”, and “Alarms and events” all have date and time data.

- Still not working? Post a question in Gitter. To best help you troubleshoot: Specify if you’re on MDI or using a pump. Specify if you’re using xDrip as a data source, or if you are otherwise logging data into Nightscout in a way that’s not through Care Portal app directly, etc.

What does this output from autotune mean?

Go here to read more about understanding the output, to see an example visual of what the output might look like, and scenarios when you may want to disregard portions of the output based on the data you provide it.

Remember, autotune is still a work in progress (WIP). Please provide feedback along the way, or after you run it. You can share your thoughts in Gitter, or via this short Google form.

(If you have issues running it, questions about reviewing the data, or want to provide input for direction of the feature, please comment on this issue in Github.)

Yay, It Worked! This is Cool!

Great! We’d love to hear if it worked well, plus any additional feedback - please also provide input via this short Google form and/or comment on this issue in Github for more detailed feedback about the tool. You can also help us tackle some of the known issues and feature requests listed here.
28.1 Safety reminders

Autotune is a WIP (work in progress) tool. Do not blindly make changes to your pump settings without careful consideration. You may want to print the output of this tool and discuss any particular changes with your care team. Make note that you probably do not want to make long-term changes based on short term (i.e. 24 hour) data. Most people will choose to make long term changes after reviewing carefully autotune output of 3-4 weeks worth of data.

28.2 Example output from autotune

28.3 What you’ll see in autotune inputs and outputs

- You might wonder what CSF in the autotune results refers to: Carb Sensitivity Factor is the amount your blood sugar will rise for a given quantity of carbs consumed. And initial value for CSF is calculated from your ISF and carb:insulin ratio (CR), i.e., CSF = ISF / CR (e.g., for an ISF of 42(mg/dL)/U and CR of 14g/U, CSF is 3(mg/dL)/g.) Subsequent autotune estimates for CSF are adjusted for the actual observed post-meal BG rise (relative to what would be expected based on insulin activity) compared to the number of carbs eaten.

- You might wonder what min_5m_carbimpact in profile.json refers to: It tells autotune how fast to decay carbs when your BG isn’t rising. The default value means to assume 8mg/dL per 5m of carb absorption, even when your BG is falling or rising less than that.

- If you only input one basal rate in the profile.json, it will only show one basal in the left hand column, and tune the day around that basal. You can go back and edit the profile.json (and cp again to make all files the same) with your multiple basal rates if you want to appropriately tune and most easily compare the output suggested against what your existing basal schedule is.
28.4 If you are DIY closed looping and looking at autotune:

28.4.1 With carbs logged in Nightscout

...you can look at everything that autotune outputs

28.4.2 Without carb information in Nightscout

...you should only look at overnight basals, daytime basals that are not around typical meal times, and (with caution) ISF. Ignore carb ratio.

28.5 If you are not DIY closed looping and are looking at autotune:

28.5.1 With all boluses and carb treatments (even rescue, or low carbs) in Nightscout

...you can look at everything that autotune outputs

28.5.2 Without boluses and carb treatments in Nightscout

...don’t use autotune until you log this data.

28.5.3 If you don’t have Nightscout

...it’s probably easiest to set up Nightscout and log some data in order to use autotune. This may change in the future (and let us know if you want to work on ways to bring other data types into autotune).
NOTE OF CAUTION:

- oref1 is different than oref0, the baseline “traditional” OpenAPS implementation that only uses temporary basal rates.
- You should have run oref0 (basic OpenAPS looping) for more than two weeks, and be very aware of all the types of situations in which your rig might fail, before you enable oref1-related features.
- If running more than one rig, you will want to make sure all rigs are running an Super Micro Bolus (SMB) aware oref0 version (release 0.5.1 or higher) before enabling Super Micro Bolus (SMB) on any of them (even if Super Micro Bolus (SMB) is not enacted on all rigs, all rigs need to know about it).
- Super Micro Bolus (SMB) is about front-shifting insulin activity. It is NOT a synonym for no-bolus, although it can enable no-bolus options (with very close monitoring and testing). But you should first test Super Micro Bolus (SMB) with your existing bolus method.
  - Take steps one by one to turn on Super Micro Boluses; validate that Super Micro Boluses are working and understand if it is working for you; and only then should you approach changing behaviors related to meal-time boluses.
  - Do not combine turning on Super Micro Bolus (SMB) and trying to do no-bolus or partial-bolus meals at the same time.
- Make sure you have your easy bolus button on (details here) and know how to deliver boluses without using the bolus wizard.
- See this page on optimizing settings for reminders and tips on changing one thing at a time.

29.1 Only run oref1 with the following caveats in mind:

- Remember that you are choosing to test a still-in-development feature. Do so at your own risk & with due diligence to keep yourself safe.
- You should have run oref0 (basic OpenAPS looping) for more than two weeks, and be very aware of all the types of situations in which your rig might fail.
• **We are requiring that you also have run autotune prior to enabling Super Micro Bolus (SMB).** Why?

Because if you have wonky ISF settings, for example, you may be more likely to go low or high with Super Micro Bolus (SMB). It will help a lot to have run autotune and be aware if the algorithm is recommending changes to ISF, basal, and/or carb ratio. You are not required to run autotune automatically/nightly as part of your loop with Super Micro Bolus (SMB); but you should at least run it manually and get an idea for how confident you are in your settings being right or not; and keep that in mind when evaluating Super Micro Bolus (SMB) outcomes for yourself.

• **You should have basals of > 0.5 U/hr.** (Super Micro Bolus (SMB) is *not* advisable for those with very small basals; since 0.1U is the smallest increment that can be bolused by Super Micro Bolus (SMB). We also added a basal check to disable Super Micro Bolus (SMB) when basals are < 0.3 U/hr. If your “regular” basal in the pump is 0.3 U/hr and autosens or autotune has adjusted your basal rate to below 0.3 U/hr, Super Micro Bolus (SMB)s will be disabled as well.)

• **Read the following:**
  - A. The updated reference design ([https://openaps.org/reference-design/](https://openaps.org/reference-design/)) that explains the differences between oref0 and oref1
  - B. The following two posts for background on oref1:
    * [https://diyps.org/2017/05/08/choose-one-what-would-you-give-up-if-you-could-with-openaps-maybe-you-can-oref1](https://diyps.org/2017/05/08/choose-one-what-would-you-give-up-if-you-could-with-openaps-maybe-you-can-oref1)

• Make sure you understand what Super Micro Bolus (SMB) & Unannounced Meals (UAM) stand for: (read the above posts, we know you skipped them!)

• Plan to have a learning curve. You will interact with oref1 differently when on Super Micro Bolus (SMB) and Unannounced Meal (UAM) than you were interacting with oref0. In particular: **do not do correction boluses based on insulinReq;** instead use temp targets to give the rig a “nudge”. You are very likely to overshoot if you try to do things manually on top of what Super Micro Bolus (SMB) has already done!

• Super Micro Bolus (SMB) may not be for everyone. Like everything else, plan to test it, fall back to previous methods of diabetes treatment if needed, and give yourself a time period for deciding whether or not it works well for you.

### 29.2 Understanding Super Micro Bolus (SMB)

SMB: Super Micro Bolus

Super Micro Bolus (SMB), like all things in OpenAPS, is designed with safety in mind. (Did you skip reading the updated reference design? Go read that first!) Super Micro Bolus (SMB) is designed to give you reasonably SAFE amounts of bolus needed upfront and use reduced temporary basal rates to safely balance out the peak insulin timing. You are likely to see many long low or zero temps (upwards of 120 minutes long) with Super Micro Bolus (SMB) turned on, while oref1 is administering Super Micro Boluses or waiting until it’s safe to do so.

Single Super Micro Bolus (SMB) amounts are limited by several factors. The largest a single Super Micro Bolus (SMB) bolus can be is the SMALLEST value of:

- 30 minutes of the current regular basal rate (as adjusted by autotune/autosens), or
- 1/2 of the Insulin Required amount, or
- the remaining portion of your maxIOB setting in preferences

It’s important to note that maxIOB will limit Super Micro Bolus (SMB)s from being issued if your Insulin On Board (IOB) (for instance, from an easy bolus you have inputted before a meal) exceeds your maxIOB. So if your maxIOB is relatively low and you are running high post-meal, you may want to examine your logs to see if it is routinely preventing Super Micro Bolus (SMB)s.
In addition, as of 0.6.0-master, using Bolus Wizard to input boluses and meal carbs is no longer recommended because of the possibility of errors when the rig attempts to issue an Super Micro Bolus (SMB) while Bolus Wizard is in use. Instead, many users use IFTTT to notify their rig of upcoming carbs.

(History of Super Micro Bolus (SMB) development: https://github.com/openaps/oref0/issues/262)

29.3 Understanding Unannounced Meals (UAM)

UAM: Unannounced meal Unannounced Meals (UAM) provides an alternative method (in addition to or instead of carb entry) for detecting and safely dosing insulin in response to significant BG rises, whether they are due to meals, adrenaline, or any other reason.

(History of Unannounced Meals (UAM) development: https://github.com/openaps/oref0/issues/297)

29.4 How to turn on Super Micro Bolus (SMB)

- In oref0 0.6.0 and later, you will enable Super Micro Bolus (SMB)s by adding the related preferences to your preferences.json. You may want to experiment with turning only one enableSMB option on at a time so you can closely observe the behavior (via both Nightscout and pump-loop.log) in the enabled situation. In addition to testing oref1 in “normal” situations, pay special attention to how it behaves in more extreme situations, such as with rescue carbs (announced or not), post-meal activity, etc.

There are multiple preference toggles for Super Micro Bolus (SMB). Check out the preferences page for more details on all the settings, but the short version is:

- enableSMB_with_COB means Super Micro Bolus (SMB) will be enabled as long as COB is above zero
- enableSMB_after_carbs means Super Micro Bolus (SMB) will be enabled for 6h after carb entry
- enableSMB_with_temptarget means Super Micro Bolus (SMB) will be enabled with a low temp target (< 100 mg/dL).

By default, a higher temp target (101 if your target is 100) will disable Super Micro Bolus (SMB).

29.5 Troubleshooting

1. Make sure you read the above, especially the “only enable oref1 if...” section. Super Micro Bolus (SMB) will behave differently than oref0 would. Watch carefully, and use your common sense and do what’s right for you & your diabetes.

2. Common errors include:
   - Not changing the preferences to be “true” for the relevant settings after you’ve enabled the oref1 features.
   - Not running autotune. Remember, you don’t have to enable it to run as part of your loop at night, but you should run it manually, review the results, and otherwise be VERY confident in your underlying pump settings (basals, ISF, carb ratio) before using oref1.
   - Pump clock being >1 minute off from rig’s time. This means 60 seconds. Not 61 seconds; 68 seconds; 90 seconds. Needs to be less than 60 seconds apart. "Checking pump clock: "2017-05-16T15:46:32-04:00" is within 1m of current time: Tue May 16
15:47:40 EDT 2017 is an example of a >60 second gap that needs fixing before it will work properly. We added a script to automatically attempt to fix the pump time in case of a >60 second difference, but you may occasionally see this type of error in the logs until the script is able to properly adjust the pump time.

29.6 Pushover, Super Micro Bolus (SMB), and OpenAPS

This is for OpenAPS-specific pushovers related to oref1 features about insulin required (insulinReq) and carbs required (carbsReq). Pushover is a way to easily send messages to your phone from another device with simple messages. If you have Pushover set up for Nightscout, you still need to tell your OpenAPS rig your Pushover information to get these rig-driven alerts. Nightscout Pushover alerts are separate and distinct from OpenAPS-generated Pushover alerts. Each can exists with or without the other.

If Pushover API token and User key were added during the setup script and you have oref1 enabled, you can get Pushover alerts in the following situations:

- When OpenAPS thinks carbs are needed to bring eventual BG up, and a 30m low temp won’t be enough to do it

If you’re just using insulinReq and not doing a normal meal bolus, you should NOT do the full insulinReq as a manual bolus, as oref1 is already attempting to deliver part of it as a Super Micro Bolus (SMB). Super Micro Bolus (SMB) is designed to administer the insulinReq a little at a time, in order to be able to safely react if the BG rise slows or stops, so in cases where you might otherwise consider a correction bolus, it’ll often be best to not do anything at all and let Super Micro Bolus (SMB) safely handle the increased need for insulin. If you do choose to do a small manual correction bolus for a portion of the insulinReq, be sure to subtract out the Super Micro Bolus (SMB) oref1 is already delivering, and round down for safety.

• When Super Micro Bolus (SMB) is active and hitting maxBolus. This is intended to alert you when Super Micro Bolus (SMB) is going “all out”, and will tell you the total amount of insulin OpenAPS thinks you require (insulinReq) if current BG trends continue. **DO NOT just blindly bolus for the amount of insulinReq.** You will also see that the pushover alert lists the amount it is attempting to Super Micro Bolus (SMB). You should use this notification as a reminder to tell the rig about anything you know it doesn’t (like “oh yea, I want to enter my carbs for this meal”, or “oh, hold on, I need an activity mode, because I’m gonna go for a walk in a few minutes”). You can also decide if a manual meal bolus is appropriate, or if you’d like to manually bolus part of the insulinReq. **If you’re just using insulinReq and not doing a normal meal bolus, you should NOT do the full insulinReq as a manual bolus, as oref1 is already attempting to deliver part of it as a Super Micro Bolus (SMB).**
Cautions:

1. You are likely to cause yourself a low if you manually administer too much insulin. Be very careful about doing manual boluses based on Pushover alerts; see above about not doubling up on a microbolus that’s just been delivered.

2. If the rig attempts to deliver a microbolus AND you have the bolus wizard menu open, it may cause the pump to error (and maybe reset). **Recommendation:** If you are getting Pushover alerts and decide to manually bolus in addition to the Super Micro Bolus (SMB)s, you may want to use the “easy bolus” (up button arrow) method for bolusing, which is less likely to cause the pump to receive this error. When using the easy bolus, you may not be able to deliver the easy bolus if the rig has sent an Super Micro Bolus (SMB) underneath. In that case, you’ll have to hit escape, wait for the Super Micro Bolus (SMB) to finish delivering, and then perform your manual bolus (adjusting for the insulin just delivered).

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29.6.1 If you are new to Pushover:

Pushover is a way to easily send messages to your phone from another device with simple messages. (kind of like getting a text message from your OpenAPS rig), but to use this you must first have Pushover installed on your iPhone or Android (download from your OS’s store).

- Log into https://pushover.net/. From this page you will see your User Key.
- At the bottom of the page you will see “Your Applications (Create an Application/API Token)”. You must first create an API Token:
  - Click on the link provided. You must supply a name for your application, such as “OpenAPS”, and change the type to *Script*
  - Then Check the box “**By checking this box, you agree that you have read our Terms of Service and our Guide to Being Friendly to our API**”

To put these in your setup you must add them to the oref0-setup.sh parameters, either by saying “Yes” to advanced features in the oref0-setup.sh script and entering the info there, or by using `edit-runagain` and adding `--pushover_token=yourpushoverAPItoken --pushover_user=yourpushoveruserkey` to the end of your runagain line. Then `bash ~/myopenaps/oref0-runagain.sh` in order to rerun your script.
Now that you’ve closed the loop, you probably have a lot of new “first” experiences to deal with. Like much of this looping experience, you’ll figure it out as you go along, and figure out what’s right for you. But here are some ideas or tips to consider:

Click here to expand a clickable list to see all tips on this page:

- How do I enter carbs and boluses so OpenAPS can use them?
- What do you do with the loop in airport security when you travel
- What do you do with your loop when you travel across timezones? How do you update devices for a time zone change?
- What do you do with the loop when you shower?
- What do you do when you change sites?
- What do you do when you exercise?
- What do you do if you want to be off the pump for long periods during a day when you’re really active? Like for the beach or water park or sporting activity or similar?
- What if I want to turn off the loop for a while?
- How do I open loop?
- How can you make adjustments to insulin delivery while on the go? - Optimizing with Temporary Targets:
- How do I improve the range of my Edison/Explorer Board?
- How do I switch between insulin types, or switch to Fiasp? What should I change?
- How do I switch to a different Medtronic pump?
- Improving the battery life of your Raspberry Pi
30.1 How do I enter carbs and boluses so OpenAPS can use them?

Boluses always have to be set on the pump for OpenAPS to take them into consideration. Carbs can be either entered in any of several ways:

- on the pump (for example, using Bolus Wizard),
- into the Nightscout UI (using the Care Portal),
- via an HTTPS POST to the treatments API, for example using the iOS Shortcuts app,
- via IFTTT,
- via xDrip,
- via CarbDialer (iOS App).

**SAFETY WARNING:** If the pump has a target range high end set lower than the BG input into the Bolus Wizard, the Bolus Wizard will add insulin to cover the carbs as well as bring BG down to the high end. I.e. if your high end is 110 and you enter a 160 BG and 45g of carbs in the Bolus Wizard, the Bolus Wizard will dose 1U to bring BG to 110 and 3U for carbs (assuming 50 (mg/dL)/U and 15g/U factors). The rig will likely have already dosed insulin to bring your BG to your low target, and you are potentially “double dosing”. In these scenarios, you will have too much insulin onboard and can experience a severe low. If you use the Bolus Wizard, ensure the high end of the BG target range is a high number such as 250 mg/dL. OpenAPS default behavior ([wide_bg_target_range preference](#)) is to only use the target range lower end. Setting the high end does not impact the OpenAPS algorithms.

30.2 What do you do with the loop in airport security when you travel

The loop is off the shelf hardware - it’s no different than your phone or other small gadgets, so leave it in your carry-on bag when going through security. (Dana note: I have traveled well over 100 times with my loop, and in some cases with 3-4 Pis and batteries and related accessories, and have never had issues going through security because of my loop.)

30.3 What do you do with your loop when you travel across time-zones? How do you update devices for a time zone change?

You have a couple of options. If you are traveling briefly, or only across a couple of timezones, and would not normally feel the need to adjust the timing of your basals, then you may choose to simply leave your pump, receiver, and Pi/Edison on your home timezone. But, if you would like to adjust to the new timezone (perhaps for a longer trip or a move), you can adjust your rig’s timezone using `sudo dpkg-reconfigure tzdata` and then either run `killall-g oref0-pump-loop; oref0-set-device-clocks` to set the devices to match, or just change your pump and receiver time manually. Make sure to test in your new location to make sure everything is working!

We also recommend planning to do this when you have some extra time for troubleshooting, in case you have issues. Also, it’s worth noting that your body only changes about an hour or so of timezone a day, so even if you go abroad, there’s not a rush to change timezones/the time on your devices - you can wait until 2-3 days into your trip to make the swap, at a time when you have some room to update your rigs.

After the timezone change OpenAPS sometimes gets confused about the BG and/or pump data being “in the future”. The pump and CGM data are not timestamped in UTC, so being unsynchronized with the OpenAPS can cause incorrect behavior. When the BG or pump data is “in the future” the software may stop pulling current information from the pump, and stop functioning (until the current time in the system reaches the time when the monitor data is no longer “in the future”). It often makes sense to remove all files from OpenAPS monitor folder after changing the timezone. However, this is sometimes insufficient, as the devices will still have records that are “in the future” from
the perspective of your new timezone. As a result, you should expect Nightscout uploads to fail until the system time catches up to the previous device time, particularly when traveling west.

30.4 What do you do with the loop when you shower?

Because the pumps aren’t really waterproof, most of us choose to suspend and disconnect our pumps before we shower. You’ll do the same thing even after you’re looping. One trick, though, is to cancel any running temp basal rate and set a temp basal for 30 minutes with a rate of 0.0, and then suspend the pump. This will help OpenAPS accurately track your netIOB while you are off your pump. When you get out of the shower and are ready to reconnect your pump, do so. Make sure to unsuspend it. You can then either manually cancel the zero temp basal or let OpenAPS read and decide what temp basal to issue next.

30.5 What do you do when you change sites?

The time required for the typical site change is normally not long enough to appreciably change the netIOB while disconnected. If you want to stay as close as possible to your true netIOB, follow the same process as the shower to put the pump into suspend mode. When it is time to prime, unsuspend and then prime. After priming, you can suspend again after checking to ensure the rig did not enact a temp basal > 0 while you unsuspended. If your site does not require priming after insertion, simply unsuspend the pump. If your site requires priming a canula after insertion, use fix prime to prime the canula after unsuspending. At this point, you can either manually cancel the zero temp basal or let OpenAPS read and decide what temp basal to issue next.

30.6 What do you do when you exercise?

This varies from person to person, and depends on the type and length of activity. Here’s a few tidbits from Dana on how she does various activities. (Other loopers, PR into this page with your additional tips and how-to’s.)

- **Hiking** - Definitely take the loop with! Think about setting a temporary target (you can enter it in Nightscout if you have connectivity) higher for the duration of the exercise. If you’re offline, just change your targets in your pump. The loop will read the adjusted targets and begin looping toward that target. When you’re done with the activity, change your targets back. In this scenario, I might change my loop target from 100 (normal day or nighttime) to 130 or 140 as a target.

- **Swimming, Snorkeling, Scuba Diving, etc. (water sports)** - You can’t loop while you’re in the water, because the pump is not waterproof. (Unless you’re sitting in a hot tub and have your pump safely above water, along with your CGM sensor being above water so it can transmit to the receiver, which is also not waterproof.) You can try having your sensor on your arm and keeping it above water so it can read every now and then if the receiver is in range. That being said, again, pump is NOT waterproof so you’ll need to apply shower methodology (temp to zero, suspend, take pump off) to best track your netIOB. Some people observe having the CGM, once it gets back into range and reads data after the sensor has been submerged, read falsely high. It’s not a big deal for the loop (because it’s looking at trends, and doses using temp basals in a conservative way), but you’ll likely want to fingerstick and/or wait a while before you’ll be really happy with your CGM results again. See below for another strategy that could work as well if you’re much more active than usual.

- **Running** - If it is a short run, (<30 minutes), I may not take the loop with me because any adjustments it would make are going to impact me after the run is done. For longer runs, I often now take my small, Edison based rig which can slip into the pocket of my hand-held running drink bottle that holds Gatorade. Before any length run, I try to make sure I don’t have much positive netIOB on board (that’s the biggest key to success). I also turn on activity mode (essentially a temp target of 120-140 or changing my pump targets to 120-140) an hour or so before a run and during the run; especially if I am carrying the loop during the run.

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For any exercise or activity or time period, if you do not choose to take your loop (or if you forget it), the loop will pick up again once you get back into range and resume. (This is why it’s important to temp then suspend so it can track the amount of insulin you haven’t been getting.)

30.7 What do you do if you want to be off the pump for long periods during a day when you’re really active? Like for the beach or water park or sporting activity or similar?

Let’s face it. There are some days when you just don’t want to be attached to a pump. It’s not uncommon for kids at diabetes camp to take a “pump holiday” where they revert to insulin injections in order to be unencumbered by the pump as they run and play and swim. Unfortunately this means a trade off - giving up the safety of closed loop control. Some have employed a strategy to be off the pump while active for extended periods but still have the advantages of closed loop assistance during less active periods of the day and overnight by using a combination of long acting basal injections in conjunction with the closed loop, in a manner similar to the following. Note that this will only work on days that you’re really, really active (and as such will have significant reductions in your overall basal requirements).

• **First** - Look at your pump and determine your 24 hour basal insulin dose.

• **Second** - Create an alternate basal profile (Profile A or B) on your pump with settings for each time period that are half of your normal settings (we’ll call this a “Half Basal” profile). You’ll also want to make a “Half Basal” profile in Nightscout with the new settings, and consider establishing target glucose ranges for the entire 24 hour period that are higher than you might normally use (use values similar to what you would use for activity). For children a reasonable choice might be 140-180 but yours may be different.

• **Third** - On the morning of the active day, record the time and give an injection of long acting basal insulin at HALF THE USUAL DOSE of your usual 24-hour basal requirement (which you determined above). At the same time switch your pump to the “Half Basal” profile you created. You’ll get half the usual basal dose from the injection, and half from your pump. You should also change your blood sugar targets on your pump to whatever you decided on when you set up your alternate profile above (don’t forget to change them back later). Use the + icon on Nightscout (upper right corner) and choose event Profile Switch to Half Basal (or whatever you called it) in order to assure appropriate visualization of the basal settings via Nightscout when you have connectivity.

• **Fourth** - During periods when you’re going to be very active, disconnect your pump and set an extended temp basal manually of 0.0 (choose a duration of several hours, or as long as you think you might be off the pump), and then suspend. This will allow the APS to track the negative IOB. Obviously since you’re going to be off the pump (and if in the water, potentially without the benefit of CGM data as well) you’ll want to remember to test more frequently.

• **Fifth** - Hook back up to the pump for meals to bolus and/or correct for hyperglycemia, and for periods where you’ll be less active during the day. Don’t forget to reset a temp basal of 0.0 when you suspend again in order to track negative IOB.

• **Sixth** - At the end of the day, hook up to the pump, cancel your temp basal of 0.0 and start looping again. If you’ve been in the water, recognize it may take some time before your CGM data regains full accuracy, so you may still want to check more frequently. Check and make sure your pump is setting temp targets appropriately and check Nightscout to make sure all is going as you expect. You should still be on the “Half Basal” profile.

• **Overnight** - The loop will titrate your basal up or down in response to your CGM data. The caveat is, of course, that even if it lowers your temporary basal to 0.0 you will still be subject to the effects of the dose of long acting subcutaneous insulin you took in the morning. This will render the loop somewhat less effective at avoiding hypoglycemic events, and is in part the reason that higher than usual targets for blood glucose would be appropriate. Recognize also that after intense periods of physical activity it is likely you will be more insulin sensitive, which could exacerbate the potential for hypoglycemia. Better to be safe and run slightly higher than normal.
• **The Next Morning** - Around 24 hours after the time you took your long acting insulin dose, switch your pump back to the normal profile, and readjust your glucose targets to your normal values on your pump. Use Profile Switch in Nightscout to switch back to your usual profile. Continue to monitor yourself somewhat more frequently until you’re sure things are completely back to normal and all of the effects of the long acting insulin bolus from the prior day have resolved. Alternatively, if you’re going to have several days of similar activities in a row, you could take another long acting basal dose and go at it again. Use your experience from the prior day to adjust that dose up or down slightly depending on how things went with your first day’s glucose readings.

### 30.8 What if I want to turn off the loop for a while?

If you’re near the rig or pumper, any one of these actions will turn off the loop:

- Power down the rig
- Turn the temp basal type to % on the pump, which blocks temps from being set
- Log in and stop cron

If you’re not near the rig or pumper, any one of these actions will turn off the loop:

- If on same wifi as rig, you can log in and stop cron
- Or change the API secret of NS temporarily, which means OpenAPS can’t pull BGs in and loop anymore (so after last temp basal previously set expires, defaults to normal basal rates).
- *(This one needs testing and validation, the low target may get ignored, or set as 80 as that’s the lowest target you can usually set in OpenAPS): use very wide temp targets in your Nightscout website. You can set an wide range from -1000 to 1000 as a temp target for a period of time and it will effectively turn off the loop.
- You can also choose to leave it at home if you are going out and do not want to be looping during that time. It will start looping again when you get back into range and it can successfully read your pump and CGM data again.

### 30.9 How do I open loop?

The easiest way to “open loop” is to set the temp basal type on your pump to be “%” instead of “u/hr”. This means your pump cannot and will not accept temporary basal rates commands issued by the rig. But, the rig will still be able to read from the pump and your CGM, and make the calculations of what it would otherwise do.

You can then watch the OpenAPS pill in Nightscout, or your logs (l) on the rig to see what OpenAPS would be doing.

### 30.10 How can you make adjustments to insulin delivery while on the go? - Optimizing with Temporary Targets:

The use of Temporary Targets can provide additional fine tuning of insulin control on the go, or remotely for parents monitoring children when they are at school or away from home. As described elsewhere in this documentation, an Eating Soon-type (lower than normal) Temporary Target can be used in advance of a meal or activity. Lower Temporary Targets can also be used to force the OpenAPS system to be somewhat more aggressive in correcting a rising blood sugar. Similarly, a higher temporary target can soften a blood sugar drop and help avoid a low, or help limit stacking of insulin that is likely to peak during activity. Temp targets can be set a number of ways, from using IFTTT so you can set them easily from your watch or phone; or by entering them in Nightscout Care Portal.
Temporary Targets can be set in advance by setting a future date/time stamp in Nightscout when you set them. For example, a parent may wish to set a week’s worth of Eating Soon or Activity Modes in advance of a regular school week. This may be particularly helpful for meals or activity (i.e. gym class) which are regularly scheduled but for which you may have difficulty remembering to trigger the Temporary Target at the right time. Scheduled or remotely activated Temporary Targets can also be very useful in supporting children in optimal management at school or other locations where there may not be an adult who is in a position to set the Temporary Target each time it is needed. It’s also helpful even for adult PWDs when traveling; a loved one at home in a different time zone can set temp targets as needed to help direct the rig’s activity while the PWD might be asleep or otherwise occupied.

### 30.11 How do I improve the range of my Edison/Explorer Board?

There are two options for improving the range of an Explorer Board. The easiest way is to purchase a “wire whip” antenna to add to your rig. [Here is one available at Mouser (915MHz only)](https://www.mouser.com) or for 866/868 MHz also available at Mouser. You can buy one at Enhanced Radio Devices as well, you may consider ordering it with your Explorer Board. It physically clips on to your rig. The picture below shows the antenna clipped on and extended from the board; but you can experiment with wrapping the antenna around your rig to fit in your preferred case to see various impacts to the range.

The other option is to tune the existing on-board antenna by cutting it. The antenna on the Explorer Block is a strip of copper underneath the green outer coating. The antenna is labeled A1. It will have its maximum power at 868 MHz. The antenna has a line across it at one point with a label that says “915”. The antenna defaults to the 868 MHz range, which is what WW pumps use. If you have a US pump, mmtune will run and tune to something near 916MHz. Even with the 868 MHz antenna, you should get half a dozen feet or more of range on average. If you (optionally) want to boost the range of your antenna by a couple more feet, then you cut through the outer coating and the copper on that line with an X-ACTO knife. A single clean cut is sufficient, but if the cut doesn’t look clean you could make two cuts and then dig out the circumscribed piece and then reseal the copper with nail polish. With that cut, the antenna will have maximum power near 915 MHz.

If you’re unsure whether you need to cut your Explorer Block’s antenna, you probably don’t. And if you decide you need slightly more range after using the Edison+Explorer rig for a few weeks, you can always come back later and do so then.
30.12 How do I switch between insulin types, or switch to Fiasp? What should I change?

The most important setting for switching between insulin types in an OpenAPS rig is the “curve” type for duration of insulin activity. In oref0 0.6.0, most users will use the rapid-acting curve if they are using Humalog, Novolog, or similar. Fiasp users should use the “ultra-rapid” curve type. See the preferences page here for more details on how to change your curve in your preferences.json file (which you can edit with edit-pref).

Additionally, because Fiasp has a slightly faster peak time, you may need to adjust your behavior around meal-time dosing. If you pre-bolus, you may want to consider not pre-bolusing for the first few meals with Fiasp until you understand the differences, to avoid lows during or after the meal.

Some users who switch to Fiasp find that they need to adjust settings. Others do not need to change settings that much, and autosens and/or autotune can help adjust to any variances over time as your body’s needs change related to the difference insulin type. YDMV, as always!

30.13 How do I switch to a different Medtronic pump?

First locate the serial number of the Medtronic pump you would like to start using. Then log into your rig and open your “runagain” script so you can edit the serial number.
cd ~/myopenaps && nano oref0-runagain.sh

Change the number in --serial=123456 from your old serial number to your new serial number, save the changes, and exit nano.

Now run the “runagain” script and respond to any prompts it gives you.

cd ~/myopenaps && bash oref0-runagain.sh

When the script is done and you have rebooted, log back into your rig and look at the pump loop logs.

If you see errors regarding the pump history such as Couldn't invoke_pumphistory_etc - continuing and Couldn't refresh_pumphistory_and_meal then delete your pump history from your rig.

rm ~/myopenaps/monitor/pumphistory-24h-zoned.json

Now look at the pump loop logs again.

After some time, all errors should resolve and you should begin looping successfully with your new pump!

### 30.14 Improving the battery life of your Raspberry Pi

!! Important for Enlite users: If you are using Enlite as CGM source, your rig will not work when it’s underclocked, since the loop will not run fast enough! (You will always see the “BG too old” error). We are aware of that issue and try to find a solution...

<table>
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<th>Version</th>
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<td>0.6.2</td>
<td>1000 MHz</td>
<td>8 hours</td>
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<tr>
<td>0.7.0-dev</td>
<td>1000 MHz</td>
<td>9 hours</td>
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<tr>
<td>0.7.0-dev</td>
<td>500 MHz</td>
<td>14.5 hours</td>
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As you can see, 0.7.0 made some battery life improvements, but under-clocking the CPU makes an even more significant improvement.

To accomplish this, log into your rig via SSH and modify the file /boot/config.txt.

Scroll down to find the line

```bash
#arm_freq=1000
```

and change it to

```bash
arm_freq=500
```

Note the removal of the # at the beginning of the line. Save your change and reboot your rig!
How to update oref0 on your OpenAPS rig in the future

You’ve probably heard about all kinds of cool new features that you want to try. If they’re part of the master branch already, you just need to go enable them (usually by re-running the oref0-setup script). You can see notes about what is included in a particular release in the release notes page for oref0.

However, if it’s a brand-new feature that’s being tested or is recently added to master, you’ll need to install the new version of oref0 first. By the way, if you want to check which version of oref0 you are currently running, npm list -g oref0 and if you want to check which branch cd ~/src/oref0 and then git branch.

If you want to view the commit records between the version you are running and the new version (click here):

1. cd ~/src/oref0
2. git fetch will update the local git repository. This does not change anything in your working directory
3. git status will tell you which branch your working directory is on and how many commits your working directory is behind
4. git log origin/master (replace master with the branch you are on) will print the commit descriptions. You only need to review the number of log messages corresponding to the number of commits your working directory is behind.
5. git diff origin/master.. (replace master with the branch you are on) will print the individual file differences between your working copy and the new version.

### 31.1 Step 1 (Master): Install the new version

1. cd ~/src/oref0 && git checkout master && git pull && sudo npm install -g oref0

(If you get a message that you need to commit or stash, use command git stash)
31.1.1 Alternative Step 1a (Dev): To get on “dev” branch to test even more recently added new stuff

Or, if the feature you want hasn’t been released yet, and you want to test the latest untested development version of oref0, run:

1. cd ~/src/oref0 && git checkout dev && git pull
2. npm run global-install

31.1.2 Alternative Step 1b (Test a feature branch): Not recommended for initial setup

Not recommended for initial setup, click here to see instructions

In case you want to test even more advanced stuff you’ve read about on gitter channels (intend-to-bolus / openaps/oref0 / openaps/autotune) or on official pull request list you should follow the link, read description and in case you’ve decided to try it out, do:

1. Checkout the header of pull request. It will contain author name, the branch to be merged to (dev or master) and the feature branch name that you want to test.
2. run  cd ~/src/oref0 && git fetch && git checkout <feature-branch-name> && git pull && npm run global-install
   • don’t forget to replace <feature-branch-name> with the actual name of the feature branch you want to test

31.2 Step 2: Re-run oref0-setup

Now that you’ve updated your oref0 version, you will want to run the oref0-setup script (cd && ~/src/oref0/ bin/oref0-setup.sh) again. See this section for a guide of what the setup script will be prompting you to enter.

31.3 Step 3: Remember to set your preferences!

Reminder! You’ll need to re-set your preferences in preferences.json. See the preferences page to see what preferences might have changed or become available since your last update.

To edit any of your preferences, you can enter edit-pref (as a shortcut) or cd ~/myopenaps && nano preferences.json

31.4 How to update Linux on your OpenAPS rig in the future

Along with updating the OpenAPS software on your rig, you will also want to periodically update your operating system. This isn’t the place for a primer on Linux Commands, but the following two are useful to keep your system updated and as secure as they can be from recently-found bugs:

```
# apt-get update
# apt-get upgrade
```
The first fetches all of the updated package lists for your system, and the second upgrades all of your installed packages to their most current versions.
In the future, you may want to run the setup script again (such as when you want to come back and turn on new, advanced features), or if someone asks you to “cat your runagain”, which means to display this file so we can analyze the contents.

First: cd ~/myopenaps && cat oref0-runagain.sh to see what options you have saved in there.

If you want to edit the file: cd ~/myopenaps && nano oref0-runagain.sh to edit, ctrl-x to save when finished. Make sure to change myopenaps to your openaps directory name if you chose something non-standard when you ran oref0-setup originally.

To run again: bash ~/myopenaps/oref0-runagain.sh will run oref0-setup with the options you have saved in the runagain file.

Don’t have a runagain or want to start fresh? cd && ~/src/oref0/bin/oref0-setup.sh

Because you’re re-running, remember you will need to also re-do adjustments to your preferences.json once you finish re-running setup with either of the methods above. You can do that by edit-pref.

Note: The following items are not impacted by re-running the setup script:

- Wifi settings
- Bluetooth tethering (assuming you have not changed the Bluetooth address you entered during the initial setup)
- Papertrail settings (assuming you are update to the openaps directory name used in your initial setup, typically myopenaps)
Please be patient. It can take 15-20 minutes for your new OpenAPS rig to enact temp basal rates on your insulin pump after powering on for the first time. Your OpenAPS rig can require the same 15-20 minutes if it's been powered off for more than 20 minutes. It often takes less time but don’t over-react. Your rig has to establish network connections, pull CGM data, pump history data, and perform complex calculations prior to enacting temp basals. If your insulin pump does not indicate a temp basal after approximately 15-20 minutes, however, you can begin troubleshooting the cause. A simple reboot, instead of a power on, should take much less time.

33.1 Re-run the script again

You won’t hurt anything by running the script multiple times. If you already have a working loop and are testing the setup scripts, just make sure to comment out in cron the loop you don’t want running.

33.2 Should I enact cron?

Cron is the scheduler that runs the loop. I.e. this is the automation feature to automate your closed loop. If you’re using a test pump, it’s pretty safe to go ahead and automate your loop. But if you’re not sure, you can always come back and do this later.

If you’re troubleshooting and looking to use openaps manually, cron must be momentarily disabled to free access to local resources. To check if cron is running use crontab -e or crontab -l. If you see a file filled with content, chances are cron is enabled.

To stop cron’d jobs and enter an openaps command: killall-g oref0-pump-loop; openaps <whatever>

If you’d like to run multiple commands without having to do killall-g oref0-pump-loop; before each one, you can run sudo service cron stop first.

To start cron: sudo service cron start or reboot your rig.
To prevent cron running on initial boot, either clear the `crontab -e` file or “comment out” (#) each line of the crontab file. If you’ve cleared the crontab file, but would like to enable cron’d tasks, rerun the initial setup script (step 2) and indicate you’d like to use cron. This will regenerate the configuration.

### 33.3 How do I know if it is working?

Please be patient. We can not emphasize this enough.

- Check your pump to see if it is setting temp basals.
- “Tail” the pump log to see what is is doing: `tail -F /var/log/openaps/pump-loop.log`
- Check Nightscout to see if it is updating with your information. Note: that if Nightscout is not showing your loop is running, it might be running but unable to communicate with Nightscout. In those cases check the pump-loop.log on your rig.

### 33.4 It’s not working yet:

Make sure to check through the following list before asking on Gitter if your setup is not working (yet). Remember if you just ran `oref0-setup.sh`, wait a good ~20 minutes as mentioned above before seeking help. Time, and the below list of steps, resolves 99% of problems. Also check out this blog post for tips if asking for help online.

- **Check to make sure that your pump is in absolute and not % mode for temp basals.**
- Did you put in the right SN for the pump? Should be numbers only...
- Check and make sure your pump is near your rig. Closer is better, e.g. check if it works when the pump and rig are at most 20 inches (50 cm) apart.
- Check that your pump battery is not empty.
- Check and make sure your pump is not suspended or stuck in rewind or prime screens. If it’s a test pump, you don’t even have to fill a reservoir, but put your pinky finger or eraser-end of a pencil in for slight pressure when priming so the pump will “sense” it and stop. Make sure to back out of the prime screen.
- If using a pump that has been without power for some time, it is a good practice to set a small temporary basal rate and bolus before trying to loop with that pump. Otherwise, you could see seemingly-unrelated errors in your log files as OpenAPS attempts to loop with missing information from the history. *(Best practice is to use the pump before you start looping with it, regardless, so this is likely to be an issue for a “test” pump setup rather than one you have been using.)*
- Check to make sure you have a carb ratio set manually in your Medtronic insulin pump, if it is not done, the following display will appear in your pump.log: `Could not parse input data: [SyntaxError: /root/myopenaps/monitor/iob.json: Unexpected end of input]`
- Check to make sure your carelink and/or radio stick is plugged in.
- Check to make sure your receiver is plugged in, if you’re plugging a receiver in.
- Don’t have data in Nightscout? Make sure there is no trailing slash / on the URL that you are entering and that the API secret is correct. Check your Nightscout URL, too - it’s one of the most common errors to mistype that. *(And FWIW, you shouldn’t be typing things like that in the first place: that’s what copy and paste are for.)*
- Check and make sure your receiver is >50% charged (if battery low, it may drain the rig battery and prevent it from operating).
• A reboot may be required after running oref0-setup if the Carelink is unable to communicate with the pump (e.g. you see “Attempting to use a port that is not open” errors in pump-loop.log). Additional Carelink troubleshooting steps can be found in Dealing with the CareLink USB Stick.

• If you see the error failed to get string preference .pump_serial, that usually means you copied your preferences over or ran runagain, instead of following the directions and using the full interactive setup script, when upgrading to a new version/installing a new version (such as going from 0.6.x to 0.7.0). To resolve, run oref0-setup.sh manually per the directions. (This means you’ll enter your responses into the interactive setup script again.)

33.5 Running commands manually to see what’s not working from an oref0-setup.sh setup process

You’ve probably run into an error in your setup where someone has recommended “running commands manually” to drill down on an error. What to do? Some of the following if you are running oref0 version prior to 0.7.0:

• Start by killing anything that’s currently running. killall-g oref0-pump-loop

• Look and see what’s running in your cron. crontab -l

• If you want to do more than one command of debugging, it’s best to disable your cronjobs, use /etc/init.d/cron stop. Don’t forget to start the cronjobs afterwards or reboot your rig to make sure the cronjobs will be running.

• Run whichever alias is failing to see what commands it is running. I.e. if the pump loop is failing, it’s openaps pump-loop, which you can run to show what’s inside it by openaps alias show pump-loop.

• Run each of those commands next individually, and that should give you a better idea of where it’s failing or getting stuck. Do this, and share back (if needed) with your troubleshooter about where you think it’s getting stuck. If that still doesn’t give you or your troubleshooter enough info, keep drilling down further:
  – For example, if your pump-loop.log always shows Error, retrying after Old pumphistory; then you’d want to run openaps refresh-old-pumphistory manually to reproduce the problem and see if you can get more error details.
  – If necessary, you can drill down further. So in this example, you might want to run openaps alias show refresh-old-pumphistory to see what that alias does, and then openaps gather to drill down further.
  – Don’t use 2>/dev/null or >/dev/null parts of commands, because they will hide output of commands
  – If a command does not return output, check with echo $? if the exit code returns 0. That means OK (no error). If it returns non-zero (e.g. 1) then the command failed and you need to drill down further.
  – You can keep drilling down until you get through all the aliases to the actual reports, which can be run manually using a command like openaps report invoke monitor/status.json to see the raw unfiltered output with full error details.

If you are running oref0 version 0.7.0 or later, do the following:

• Look and see what’s running in your cron. Execute crontab -l and ensure it contains entries for oref0-cron-every-minute, oref0-cron-post-reboot, oref0-cron-nightly, and oref0-cron-every-15min

• Manually run oref0-pump-loop with debug enabled. cd ~/myopenaps; killall-g oref0-pump-loop; OREF0_DEBUG=1 oref0-pump-loop
CHAPTER 34

General Linux and Other Guide/Troubleshooting Basic

Some conventions used in these docs:

- Wherever you see text that is formatted like this, it is a code snippet. You should copy and paste those code snippets instead of attempting to type these out; this will save you debugging time for finding your typos.
- Double check that your copy-paste has copied correctly. Sometimes a paste may drop a character or two and that will cause an error in the command that you are trying to execute. Sometimes, depending on what step you are doing, you may not see the issue. So, do make a point of double checking the paste before pressing return.
- You will see a $ at the beginning of many of the lines of code. This indicates that it is to be entered and executed at the terminal prompt. Do not type in the dollar sign $.
- Wherever there are <bracketed_components> in the code, these are meant for you to insert your own information. Most of the time, it doesn’t matter what you choose as long as you stay consistent throughout this guide. That means if you choose myedison as your <edisonhostname>, you must use myedison every time you see <edisonhostname>. Do not include the < > brackets in your commands when you enter them. So for the example above, if the code snipped says ssh root@<edisonhostname>.local, you would enter ssh root@myedison.local

34.1 Before you get started

Some familiarity with using the Terminal app (Mac computers) or Putty (Windows computers) will go a long way, but is not required for getting started. Terminal (or PuTTY) is basically a portal into your rig, allowing us to use our computer’s display and keyboard to communicate with the little [Edison or Pi] computer in your rig. The active terminal line will show your current location, within the computer’s file structure, where commands will be executed. The line will end with a $ and then have a prompt for you to enter your command.

There are many commands that are useful, but some of the commands you’ll get comfortable with are:

- cd means “change directory” - you can cd <directorynamewithobracktets> to change into a directory; and cd .. will take you backward one directory and cd will take you back to the root directory. If you try to cd into a file, your computer will tell you that’s not going to happen.
• `ls` means “list”, is also your friend - it will tell you what is inside a directory. If you don’t see what you expect, you likely want to `cd ..` to back up a level until you can orient yourself. If you aren’t comfortable with what `cd` and `ls` do or how to use them, take a look at some of the Linux Shell / Terminal commands on the Troubleshooting page and the reference links on the Technical Resources page.

• `cat` means “concatenation” - it will show you the contents of a file if you `cat <filename>`. Very useful when trying to see what you have in preferences or other oref0 files.

• `vi` and `nano` are both editing command prefixes. Using those will bring you into files for the purposes of editing their contents. It is like `cat` except you will be able to edit.
  
  – Within `vi` editor, you will need to enter the letter `i` to begin INSERT mode (and a little INSERT word will be shown at the bottom of the screen once you do that). While in INSERT mode, you will be able to make edits. To exit INSERT mode, you will press `esc`. To save your changes and quit, you need to exit INSERT mode and then type `:wq`.
  
  – Within `nano` editor, you are automatically in editing mode. You can make your edits and then to exit and save, you’ll use `control-x, y` (to save the edits), and then `return` to save the edits to the same filename you started with.

• Up and Down arrow keys can scroll you back/forward through the previous commands you’ve entered in the terminal session. Very useful if you don’t want to memorize some of the longer commands.

• `Control-r` will let you search for previous commands.

One other helpful thing to do before starting any software work is to log your terminal session. This will allow you to go back and see what you did at a later date. This will also be immensely helpful if you request help from other OpenAPS contributors as you will be able to provide an entire history of the commands you used. To enable this, just run `script <filename>` at the beginning of your session. It will inform you that Script started, file is `<filename>`. When you are done, simply exit and it will announce Script done, file is `<filename>`. At that point, you can review the file as necessary.

`ls <myopenaps>` will show the following files and subdirectories contained within the directory:

• autotune
• cgm
• cgm.ini
• detect-sensitivity.ini
• determine-basal.ini
• enact
• get-profile.ini
• iob.ini
• meal.ini
• mmtune_old.json
• monitor
• ns-glucose.ini
• ns.ini
• openaps.ini
• oref0.ini
• oref0-runagain.sh
• pebble.ini
• preferences.json
• pump.ini
• pump-session.json
• raw-cgm
• settings
• tz.ini
• units.ini
• upload
• xdrip.ini

'ls settings' will show the contents of the settings subdirectory; the files which collect longer-term loop data.
• autosens.json
• autotune.json
• basal_profile.json
• bg_targets.json
• bg_targets_raw.json
• carb_ratios.json
• insulin_sensitivities.json
• insulin_sensitivities_raw.json
• model.json
• profile.json
• pumphistory-24h.json
• pumphistory-24h-zoned.json
• pumpprofile.json
• settings.json
• temptargets.json

'ls monitor' will show the contents of the monitor subdirectory; current data going on right now in your loop.
• battery.json
• carbhistory.json
• clock.json
• clock-zoned.json
• edison-battery.json
• glucose.json
• iob.json
• meal.json
• meal.json.new
- mmtune.json
- pumphistory.json
- pumphistory-zoned.json
- reservoir.json
- status.json
- temp_basal.json

`ls enact` will show the contents of the `enact` subdirectory; loop’s suggested and enacted temp basals and changes.

- enacted.json
- suggested.json
CHAPTER 35

Troubleshooting communications issues between the pump and the rig

35.1 Basics of communications

If your looping is to be successful, you will need good communications between the pump and rig. They communicate with each other using radio frequency (rf). If you have an North American (Pump Model REF contains NA) or Canadian/Australian pump (CA), the rf band used is 916 MHz. If you have a European (WW) pump, the rf band is 868 MHz. As part of the setup script, you will be telling the rig which type of pump you have (NA or WW) so that it can properly use the right rf band to communicate with the pump. When the rig wants to talk with the pump, it will start by “tuning the rf”... basically it will try several frequencies around the 916 or 868 MHz frequency and choose the exact frequency that has the strongest response. The tuning process for the pump is called “mmtune”.

For example, here’s the results of a pump tune in oref0 0.7.0:

```
mmtnue: 2018/08/19 21:05:58 connected to CC111x radio on /dev/spidev5.1
2018/08/19 21:05:58 setting frequency to 916.700
2018/08/19 21:05:58 model 723 pump
2018/08/19 21:05:58 frequency set to 916.300
2018/08/19 21:05:59 frequency set to 916.350
2018/08/19 21:06:01 frequency set to 916.400
2018/08/19 21:06:03 frequency set to 916.450
2018/08/19 21:06:04 frequency set to 916.500
2018/08/19 21:06:06 frequency set to 916.550
2018/08/19 21:06:07 frequency set to 916.600
2018/08/19 21:06:09 frequency set to 916.650
2018/08/19 21:06:10 frequency set to 916.700
2018/08/19 21:06:11 frequency set to 916.750
2018/08/19 21:06:12 frequency set to 916.800
2018/08/19 21:06:12 frequency set to 916.850
2018/08/19 21:06:14 frequency set to 916.900
2018/08/19 21:06:15 disconnecting CC111x radio on /dev/spidev5.1
```

```json
{
    "scanDetails": [ 
    [ 
    "916.300",
    0,
```
```
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-128
],
[
  "916.350",
  0,
  -128
],
[
  "916.400",
  0,
  -128
],
[
  "916.450",
  0,
  -128
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[
  "916.500",
  0,
  -128
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  -86
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[
  "916.750",
  5,
  -86
],
[
  "916.800",
  5,
  -86
],
[
  "916.850",
  0,
  -128
],
[
```

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The rig scanned frequencies between 916.300 and 916.900 mHz, and set the frequency for pump communications to 916.75 because that exact frequency had the strongest communications. How can you see the strength by looking at these tuning results? The lower the last number is on the tune, the better the strength. **Results of 0, -128 indicate NO pump communications in oref0 0.7.0 or later and 0, -99 indicate NO pump communications oref0 prior to 0.7.0. This is an undesirable result.** Pump tune results in the 80s or lower are usually strong enough for stable looping. If tune results are in the 90s, the rig will likely experience periodic missed pump-rig communications and looping will be intermittent. In this example, 916.7, 916.75, and 916.8 had equally strong responses at 5, -86; therefore, mmtune selected the mid-point frequency.

### 35.1.1 How can you see the results of your pump tuning?

You can see the results of rf tunes (mmtune) several different ways:

1. Login to your rig and use `grep mmtune /var/log/openaps/pump-loop.log` to search your pump-loop.log for mmtune results. Sample result:

```
mmtune: "916.750", 3, -86 waiting for 52 second silence before continuing
mmtune: "916.750", 3, -81 waiting for 42 second silence before continuing
mmtune: "916.750", 3, -85 waiting for 50 second silence before continuing
mmtune: "916.750", 3, -79 waiting for 38 second silence before continuing
mmtune: "916.800", 3, -82 -- "916.850", 0, -128 waiting for 90 second silence before continuing
```

2. If you setup Papertrail, search for mmtune. For example, as shown:
3. If you want to manually perform an mmtune and show the selected frequency of the entire scan in oref0 prior to 0.7.0, login to your rig and execute the command below.

```
cd ~/myopenaps && sudo service cron stop && killall -g openaps ; killall -g oref0-pump-loop; openaps mmtune && sudo service cron start
```

If you are running oref0 0.7.0 or later, execute this command.

```
cd ~/myopenaps && sudo service cron stop && killall -g openaps ; killall -g oref0-pump-loop; oref0-mmtune && sudo service cron start
```

Here is an example of the results of that command on a rig called edison3:

```
root@edison3:~# cd ~/myopenaps && sudo service cron stop && killall -g openaps ; killall -g oref0-pump-loop; openaps mmtune && sudo service cron start
openaps: no process found
oref0-pump-loop: no process found
mmtune: "916.636", 5, -92
root@edison3:~# /myopenaps#
```

4. If you want to manually perform an mmtune with the full frequency scan displayed in oref0 prior to 0.7.0, execute the command below.

```
cd ~/myopenaps && sudo service cron stop && killall -g openaps ; killall -g oref0-pump-loop; openaps-use pump mmtune && sudo service cron start
```

If you are running oref0 0.7.0 or later, execute this command.
You’ll see results similar to the full scan details as shown at the beginning of this section.

### 35.1.2 What causes poor tuning results?

There are several situations which may cause poor pump communications:

1. **Distance**: Most commonly, poor communications are simply a matter of distance. The farther away your pump and rig are from each other, the weaker the communications are going to be. Bringing the rig closer to the pump may resolve the problem and improve communications. How close you need to be may depend on the following variables below, as well.

2. **Low pump battery**: Typically pump communications are fairly stable to around 1.3v of pump battery, but that may vary by pump and location. Try changing the battery and see if that helps pump communications.

3. **Body blocking**: Between pump and rig is another common reason for poor pump communications. The human body is an incredibly effective RF blocker (water, skin, fat...not easy for RF to penetrate). So, if you are prone to sleeping with your pump completely covered by your body, you may end up with more frequent pump communication failures. Or, if you have your rig on one hip and your pump on the other...even that may decrease the strength of your pump communications.

4. **Noisy RF environments**: Noisy RF environments can cause problems with rig-pump communications. If you have lots of equipment nearby all trying to use the same frequency, communications can be laggy and interrupted. What home devices commonly operate on the 900mHz frequency? Some older cordless phone systems, baby monitors, and older home wireless speakers are common sources. Try switching channels on the devices (if available as an option) and using a different frequency, such as 2.4 GHz or 5 GHz. Try temporarily unplugging those devices and seeing if you get improved pump communications. If you are outside of the home, the troubleshooting and mitigation of noisy RF areas may be more problematic.

5. **Extreme environmental changes**: Extreme environmental changes can cause the rig-pump communications to be slightly shifted in frequency. For example, going from a heated house to the outside winter snow may cause a change in the strongest tuning frequency. When the rig attempts a fresh mmtune, it will set a new frequency and communications shouldn’t be impacted for long, if at all.

6. **Explorer board not sitting properly on the Edison**: The Explorer board could have become loose and lost connection to the Edison board. Disconnect power from the rig and verify the explorer board is securely connected to the Edison. Turn the power on and try again.

7. **Equipment failure**: Equipment failure can be another cause. If there is damage to the explorer board’s antenna, you may notice poor or no pump communications. Additionally, some pumps may have poor RF strength...after all these are older pumps and in many cases we don’t know the history. To troubleshoot if the issues are equipment related, try the pump with a new explorer board. Or if you have a backup pump, try setting up OpenAPS with that pump. See if the problem persists.

### 35.1.3 How often does the rig tune?

The rig does not attempt to tune on every single pump communication. The tuning is done on a random interval, and more frequently if pump communications are failing. So, don’t expect to see an mmtune result every minute or even every 5 minutes. If you rig is looping regularly without failures, you can expect that mmtunes will be done less frequently because they are not needed.
Troubleshooting problems between CGM and the rig

36.1 First, know how you get data from BG to your rig

There are a few ways to get your BG data to your rig:

- Medtronic CGM users: you just upload your BG data with the other pump information to the rig.
- Dexcom CGM users:
  - G4/G5 -> Share Servers -> Nightscout -> rig
  - G4/G5 -> plug the receiver in to the rig with a second power source
  - xdrip+ -> Nightscout -> rig
  - xdrip+ -> xdripAPS -> rig

Depending on how you’re getting BG to the rig, you’ll need to do some basic troubleshooting.

36.2 Second, troubleshoot the specific components of that setup

36.2.1 Medtronic CGM users

- If you haven’t been uploading CGM data for a while, or looping for a while, you may need to run `openaps first-upload` to get Nightscout to show CGM readings again.

36.2.2 If you’re using Nightscout:

- **Make sure your BGs are getting TO Nightscout.** If you’re using something to upload, check the uploader. If you’re using the Share bridge to Nightscout, the #1 reason BGs don’t get to Nightscout is because of Share. Make sure a) that you are getting BGs from the receiver/transmitter to the Share app; then b) that the Share app is open (i.e. re-open the app after your phone is restarted); then c) make sure the Dexcom follow app is getting data. Checking all of those usually resolves data to Nightscout.
- To get data FROM Nightscout, the most common problem is if your rig is offline. If your rig is not connected to the internet, it can’t pull BGs from Nightscout. Troubleshoot your internet connectivity (i.e. ping google.com and do what you need to do to get the rig online). After that, also make sure your NS URL and API secret are correct. If they’re not, re-run the setup script with those things corrected.

36.2.3 If you’re using xdrip+ or xdripAPS

- **For Xdrip+ users** If you have no data in Nightscout, first check your uploader phone for data in xdrip+. If your uploader phone has data then there is likely a problem getting data from the uploader phone to Nightscout - check wifi and/or cellular connectivity of the phone/device similarly to the section above outlining getting BGs to Nightscout.

- If you are using a wixel, make sure it has a charge - you should see a flashing red light on the wixel if it is searching to connect to the uploader device.

- If the Xdrip+ app on your uploader shows stale data (greater than 5 minutes since your last data point), go to ‘System Status’ to see the status of the connection between your xbridge-wixel and your uploader phone. If you show ‘connected’, but you do not have data, you may wish to use the ‘Restart Collector’ button and see if your data restarts. Be mindful that your CGM data is broadcast in 5 minute intervals - so you will see data appear on the ‘5’s’ if reconnect works.

- It is possible that ‘Restart Collector’ button will not work - in this case you will need to ‘Forget Device’ to reset the connection between the phone and your Xbridge-wixel setup. Once forgetting the connection is done, you will need to go into the menu and select ‘Bluetooth Scan’ - you can now SCAN and select your Xbridge-wixel device. In some cases you will need a complete power-off of your wixel to successfully reset your system - this may require you to unplug your battery if you have not installed a power switch on your Xbridge-wixel device. If you wish to do a hard reboot of your system, turn off/unplug your wixel. Turn back on or replug, then rescans via ‘Bluetooth Scan’, select your Xbridge-wixel in bluetooth selection window. Once selected, your wixel name will disappear from the bluetooth scan options. You may wish to do a double check of your system status to ensure you have a connection to your wixel device.

- Infrequently, in addition to the above, you may find your uploader phone needs a complete poweroff and restart as well to get you back up and running.

- Finally, increased frequency in difficulties with no data may indicate a troubled wire in your Xbridge-wixel - carefully double check all your soldered joints and ensure they continue to be good.

36.2.4 If you’re plugging a CGM into the rig

- Make sure you plug the CGM cable into the OTG port on the explorer board

- Make sure you have a SECOND power source (another battery, or wall power) plugged in also to the rig.
Troubleshooting Nightscout issues

The major categories of Nightscout troubleshooting include:

**Connectivity.** The rig and Nightscout are good friends. Information is usually two-way so long as the rig has access to the internet (aka, online use). When rigs go “offline”, NS will go stale until internet is again available. If you’re having issues with NS and it’s a brand new setup, you’ll want to double check per the below that URL, API secret, etc. are correct.

**Mlab size is too big and you need to clean it.** See below for how to check the size of, and compact if needed, your mlab database, which can influence what displays in Nightscout.

**Future data.** Sometimes entries will get time stamped incorrectly, or the device time zones are off. See below for how to resolve.
37.1 Setting up your NS hosting site

You will need to make sure that you have setup you site configuration settings in your NS hosting site (usually that means Heroku) according to the docs. See the Nightscout Setup page for help in setting up your NS site. If you don’t add the OpenAPS-specific settings to your setup, the communications with the rig will not work properly.

37.1.1 What information is passed from rig to NS?

The rig uploads the following information to NS:

- Assuming pump communications are good, the rig will read information from the pump as follows:
  - boluses and carbs; entered through either the pump bolus wizard or the easy bolus button
  - current temp basal rate and duration/time set
  - pump status; bolusing or suspended, reservoir volume, pump battery voltage
  - pump notes; time changes, profile changes, battery changes, alarms (these show as grey dots on NS site)
– if a MDT enlite user, BGs will be read directly from the pump

• From OpenAPS looping, the additional information is also uploaded:
  – determine-basal information (such as IOB, COB, temp basal enacted, etc) goes to fill out the OpenAPS pill in NS
  – rig battery voltage and estimated %

• If (1) a dexcom receiver is connected to the rig and (2) the loop is setup with G4-upload as the CGM type and (3) the rig has internet, then the rig will also upload BGs and/or rawBG directly to NS. This keeps the loop functional even if the Share app fails. For example, if the phone battery dies during the night, and Share App therefore goes down...the rig can read BGs/rawBGs directly from the receiver and use your home wifi to upload to NS still.

37.1.2 What information is passed from NS to rig?

The careportal “treatment” entries and BG data are the two most important items transmitted from NS to the rig.

• Careportal entries transmitted and **USED** by the loop are:
  – carb entries
  – temp BG targets

• BG values from Dexcom share servers via the NS bridge

37.2 mLab maintenance

Your NS data is stored in a place called an mLab database. This mLab database is free so long as you stay below a 500mb data limit. Inevitably, after several months of OpenAPS use, you may fill that free data storage limit. Typically, you won’t be notified of that issue...instead you’ll start to notice sudden problems with your NS site when you haven’t done anything different. Strange symptoms include, but aren’t limited to:

• OpenAPS and Pump pills not working, but still looping and displaying temp basals (devicestatus collection)
• BG values going stale and dexcom bridge stopping, which may break looping (entries collection)
• temp basals no longer rendered, but looping still works (treatments collection)
• careportal treatments (carbs, boluses) no longer displaying properly (treatments collection)

If you are seeing strange behavior in your previously-working-fine NS site, you’ll want to check your mLab database size. Strange behaviour can include missing bolus or other treatment information. You may also get a 500 error (failed to insert record) message in NightScout when trying to save a treatment, such as logging carbs. To access your mLab database, you will need to click on the mLab integration from within your Heroku dashboard as shown below. Based on which symptoms you’re seeing from the above list, start by checking the size of the referenced collection.
From that screen, you will need to click on the HOME link near the top left of the page.

The resulting screen will show you the important information to direct where you need to take action. There are **TWO areas where the 500 MB data limit can be an issue**. One issue area is the **size on disk**, which is the virtual space that your database takes up. As data is written onto your database, sometimes it is written inefficiently and virtually “spreads out” to take up more room than it normally would. The other issue area is the **size** which is the
actual data stored in your database. Depending on where your issue is, you may need to compact data (if size on disk is the issue) or cleanout data (if size is the issue).

37.2.1 Compact data

If size on disk is close to 500mb, you’ll need to compact your database. To begin the compaction process, click on your database name. Then click on the Tools tab in the screen that opens. Click on the commands button and then select the repairDatabase from the dropdown menu of available commands. At the bottom of the screen, select the Run Command button.
Return to your home screen and you will be able to verify the Size on Disk has decreased.

Note about inability to compact data. Several people have reported that they get a timeout error when following the
above compacting instructions and the size on disk is not reduced. Try again and this text may appear. “If after issuing this command your Sandbox database still has a Size on Disk (file size) greater than 496 MB, see our FAQ for possible explanations.” If you run into this issue, you can send an email to mLab support at support@mlab.com and they will compact the database for you.

### 37.2.2 Cleanout data

**NOTE:** Before you cleanout your data, please check out the option to upload (or “donate”) your data anonymously to the [OpenAPS Data Commons](https://www.openapsdatacommons.org) project. The OpenAPS Data Commons was created to enable a simple way to share data sets from the community, both with traditional researchers who will create traditional research studies, and with groups or individuals from the community who want to review data as part of their own research projects. So before you delete or cleanout any data from your mLab, consider doing an upload to OpenAPS Data Commons first.

If your mLab database issue is size, then you will need to cleanout some of the historical data collected by your NS site. There are two methods to cleanout space and delete data in your mLab database:

- mLab direct access
- Nightscout admin tools

**mLab Direct Access**

- Login to your mLab database, as shown above, by clicking on the mLab logo in your Heroku dashboard. Your various collections are shown, similar to the screen shot above. The amount of data each collection is using is listed to the far right of each collection’s line. Do not cleanout your profile collection, that is needed by NS. Additionally, if you use tokens for your NS site, you will want to leave the auth_subjects collection intact. The entries collection are typically BG data from your bridge. The treatments collection are data from your careportal entries either through NS or uploaded via the rig (e.g., carbs, boluses, temp basals, notes of pump events, and temp targets). The devicestatus collection houses basically all the information that is presented in the OpenAPS pill display (determine-basal, BG predictions, IOB, COB, etc). If you use NS reports for your endo appointments, try to time the data cleanout for after an appointment so that you can rebuild a treatment history before the next appointment.

- Click on a collection’s name to open it.
• Click on the button that says “Delete all documents in collection” and then confirm the deletion.
You can confirm that your cleanout has resolved the problem, by checking that your database size is below 500 MB now. Click on the Home link in top left. Then review the size of the database as shown (note: Screenshots are from different databases...they are just to show how to navigate and what results you are looking for. Minor inconsistencies in continuity of the screenshots should be ignored).

Nightscout Admin Tools

If you go to your Nightscout site’s settings (the three horizontal bars in the upper right of your Nightscout site), you will be able to access your Admin Tools for the site. These include some useful quick mLab actions, includig deleting documents from the devicestatus collection similar to the action we took in the steps above. But, it’s worth noting that if you have errant future data in your Nightscout site that is causing problems (usually during time changes or overseas travel), you can clean-out future entries through this portal, too.
37.3 Future data

Sometimes data gets recorded into your NS site that can be date stamped into the future. For example, if your CGM or pump had the wrong time or date set. These future-data will cause problems in rendering (displaying) data correctly, and can usually cause loop failures as well. Check your NS Admin Tools section (described above) to easily identify and cleanout your database of future data points. Every once in awhile however, that future data point tool will not work effectively because the future data will actually be stored within the devicestatus collection’s information. If that is the case, you should try cleaning out the devicestatus collection, as described above in the Cleanout Data section.

37.4 Nightscout info incorrect

There are three pills (aka, information boxes) that are noteworthy about your NS display, and that people commonly interpret as “incorrect” despite all the warnings/explanations in these docs.

- **IOB** pill will normally display the IOB reported by your OpenAPS pill. If your loop is failing or NS communications are down because the rig has gone offline, there’s a good possibility that your IOB pill will be displaying an incorrect IOB based on the careportal’s method of calculating IOB (rather than OpenAPS’s way). You can determine the source of your IOB pill’s information by clicking or hovering on the pill. If the pills says “OpenAPS”, then it’s good to use that data. Additionally, it should report the portion of IOB termed “basal IOB”, which is the IOB from of temp basal adjustments and SMBs, if enabled.

- **COB** pill should NOT be included on your heroku settings “ENABLE” line. If you go against this advice, you may experience laggy NS performance and see incorrect COB reported in your COB pill on the NS site. Don’t
say you haven’t been warned. Until NS dev team can address these issues, the recommendation stands to NOT include COB in your NS site settings.

- **BASAL** pill should NOT be used in your NS site. The information on that pill updates so slowly sometimes, that you may incorrectly jump to assumptions that your rig is behaving differently than it actually is. Instead, use the OpenAPS pill to find current information about your current basal rate...or press the ESC button on your pump in order to directly read the current temp basal. Additionally, the basal rendering (the blue lines of the NS display) can sometimes lag by up to 2-5 minutes, depending on loop activities...so again use the OpenAPS pill or pump if you are interested in the most up-to-date information on temp basals.
Troubleshooting problems flashing your Edison, and updating Jubilinux

See also the in-line troubleshooting steps

For different reasons, users come to need to reflash from time to time, or build an install on hardware that may have been acquired second hand from another user. With both Jubilinux, Edison Intel Tools, and OpenAPS getting less and less updates we are starting to see more and more issues cropping up getting a clean install. These tips may also help first timers.

Important: Try to have two rigs, and only attempt to reflash and reinstall one if you have another working rig nearby looping. Give yourself time. If problems occur it can take hours (or days, especially if you are relying on community members advice online in different time zones!). So start early on a day you have some free time up your sleeve.

Here is a list of some things that can go wrong and how you can troubleshoot them.

- **Jubilinux won’t flash over Jubilinux** (for people trying to flash a rig that had Jubilinux / OpenAPS set up previously)
- **Jubilinux flashing fails constantly at rootfs, but gets further each time**
- **Other tips and tricks**

### 38.1 Jubilinux won’t flash over Jubilinux (for people trying to flash a rig that had Jubilinux / OpenAPS set up previously)

From a flashed and updated Jubilinux i.e. one that has been set up and used previously, you can’t reflash with flashall. You must get the official Intel flash tool and flash one of the Intel OEM images, before attempting to clean flash Jubilinux. This is not a big deal for experienced users. But the Intel flash app, and firmware files are becoming increasingly hard to find. This can be a big source of frustration with users taking days to even get in the right state to commence flashing and running install.

Thankfully there is a simple way around this...

Go to the u-boot console. This is what you get after hitting enter a few times as the Edison boots while connected to serial e.g. “Press any key to load app”, or something to that effect.
With a terminal emulator (Putty or Mac OS Terminal) connected to the Edison serial port, hit return immediately after startup. Once in the u-boot console, use the command:

```
Warning: this will zapp any previous Jubilinux install, including your old OpenAPS install, and any files or config on your old Edison OS, ready to reflash your Edison. Be sure you don’t need anything off your rig first.
gpt write mmc 0 $partitions
```

Then you can run flashall via the OTG port normally without Intel tools.

### 38.2 Jubilinux flashing fails constantly at rootfs, but gets further each time

This can mean you have a bad usb cable, or port connection at either end of the cable (computer or radioboard OTG). See Other tips and tricks below...

### 38.3 Other tips and tricks

- **Red light / Green light** - Some radio boards seem to have red power LEDs (between the USB ports). Others have green. Users used to having one and not the other sometimes get concerned with the difference when they acquire new hardware. See also what rig lights mean.

- **Soft reboot the board** - If you are struggling to maintain a serial connection, don’t reboot the board by pulling out the USB, if you can help it. Apart from unnecessarily wearing out the port, you have to throw caution to the wind about whether you’ll get back on. Instead, gently long-press the tiny black power button on the board until the light between the USB ports turns off. Wait a few seconds, then press it again to boot your Edison. The serial connection will remain up right through the reboot.

- **Battery charging and heat** - Unplug your rig battery if you have one connected. Some users’ rigs heat up when charging a battery at higher rates through the OTG USB port (closest to the JST battery connector, where the charging circuitry is). This can cause unexpected reboots during flashing, or at any time.

- **USB cables and ports** - This is much more important than you think. Poor USB connections can cause issue getting a serial connection over the UART port, or flashing over the OTG port. What might work one time, might not work again. Work through these steps.
  - **General** - If you are having headaches getting a serial connection or successful flash on the OTG port. Try using ONE known good data USB. USB connections are the source of many issues. Some cables only carry power, some are internally faulty because the wires are very thin and fatigued. While it may charge, it may not carry data reliably. At a high level, start by preparing the Edison with a serial connection, then moving the USB to the OTG port for flashing, then back to serial to log in and set things up. NOTE: make sure to wait five minutes after flashing hits 100%, because the first time Linux boots quite a lot happens, and you won’t see this not having an active serial connection. See below for more detail.
  - **Troubleshooting serial connections**
    - If you can’t get a serial connection, it may be beneficial to forget your second flashing (OTG) USB port for the time being. Especially if you are not sure both your USB cables are good quality data cables. For now, focus on getting a serial connection with a single cable.
    - Take your best data USB micro cable - Label cables that have worked before so you can access them again in a hurry.
    - If possible, make sure you are on a good USB2 port (USB3 are often blue on the inside). USB ports on the front of desktop PCs are notoriously bad.
• Make sure you are connected to UART on your radio board. Simple mistake to make. Only the UART USB will accept serial connections

• If you’re on Windows, check you’re using the right COMM port number in Putty (per device manager)

• Swap USB ports on your computer

• Restart your computer. Oddly enough, this can apparently free up stuck system resources. Particularly on Mac’s, multiple attempts at a serial connection, even after successful ones, seem to lock you out of getting subsequent successful ones.

• Restart your board with the power button (see above)

• Hit enter a few times. This can wake the connection sometimes.

– For troubleshooting OTG port connections (for flashing, running flashall)

• Click in the terminal/CMD window, hit enter, after executing the flashall command. Sometimes the command doesn’t fire if it doesn’t immediately find the board. This is especially common if you are rebooting or replugging things.
39.1 About the OpenAPS Data Commons and OpenHumans

Members of the OpenAPS community have frequently expressed the desire to donate their DIY closed loop data for scientific research; or to perform research themselves. The OpenAPS Data Commons was created to enable a simple way to share data sets from the community, both with traditional researchers who will create traditional research studies, and with groups or individuals from the community who want to review data as part of their own research projects. The OpenAPS Data Commons uses the “Open Humans” platform to enable people to easily upload and share their data.

For more background, see the OpenAPS.org Data Commons page.

(Tip: you may want to right click and open any links from this page in new windows.)
39.2 How to upload your data to the OpenAPS Data Commons

- A. Create a profile on Open Humans. Keep in mind that your name/username can be public; so you may want to choose a non-name related username.

- Make sure to verify your profile (see Open Humans email confirmation).

- B. (Optional, but recommended method for getting your data into OpenHumans). Use the Nightscout Data Transfer app to upload your data into

- 1. Go to the Nightscout Data Transfer App webpage

- 2a. NEW USERS: Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click “Connect Nightscout Data Transfer”. (Log in to your OH account first if you haven’t already).

- 2b. REPEAT USERS: Go here: https://dataxfer-ns-oh.herokuapp.com/. (Log in to your OH account first if you haven’t already).

- 3. It will take you to a page and ask for your Nightscout URL. Note the app DOES NOT store your URL but will just use it to fetch the data from Nightscout. Select the date range you want it to fetch data from. Tip: Start with two days or so of data to test that it works; you can then re-upload with a longer time frame of data.

- Warning: if you want to upload ALL of your data (yay!), then don’t put a start date. However, this will take a while, so don’t expect it to be done in minutes, but may take upward of half an hour to an hour depending on how much Nightscout data you have - this is normal.

- It will say “queued” on the page. You can refresh, and it should soon say “initiated”. It may take several minutes to pull even a few days worth of data, so keep refreshing the page or come back later. Once done, it should show you a list of files that it has pulled, and provide download buttons if you want to download a local copy or open it to check that it correctly pulled data. Your screen should look like this:

When completed, after refreshing the status bar should turn green and look something like this:
• You can always go back to the Nightscout Data Transfer app and see what data it has uploaded for you. It should look something like this:

![Nightscout Data Transfer app screenshot](image)

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• C. Now that you have data in Open Humans, next click here to go directly to the OpenAPS Data Commons project.

• 1. Scroll down and click “join”. Carefully read the terms & consent to make sure you understand how your data is going to be used. You can also read the OpenAPS Data Commons research criteria here to better understand what criteria research projects are held to before they may be granted access to the data commons data. Note: the data will not be publicly available; it will only be shared privately and securely with individuals or research groups that meet this criteria and are vetted by a volunteer group from our community.

• 2. Agree to share your data with the OpenAPS Data Commons.

• 3. You will then be redirected to a survey to also provide basic data to be added to the data you uploaded – please also fill out this survey information. (This data will be tied to your OpenHumans data shared with the Data Commons, which should prevent having to answer the same questions (i.e. how long you have had diabetes) on any future research studies that have questionnaires.)

• 4. Hooray! You’ve just added data to the OpenAPS Data Commons. Thank you for contributing your data!

• Please note:
  – We may contact you in the future (we will not see your email address) to request to upload a new batch of data or fill out a survey for another research study that is accessing the Data Commons data.
  – Per the Terms and Conditions, you can always choose to delete and remove your data from Open Humans, or pull it from the OpenAPS Data Commons. Some data may have already been shared with individual users.

39.2. How to upload your data to the OpenAPS Data Commons
research studies. However, if you contact dana@openaps.org, we will also do our best to remove it from any active/ongoing research studies.

39.3 Notes about OpenHumans and other data

You can also donate your data to places like the Nightscout Data Commons, or any other research project you find interesting on Open Humans. Make sure to read the terms and conditions clearly for each of the research studies you donate your data to, and in particular look for what types of data they may be asking you to share. In addition to Nightscout data, you can upload things like Fitbit or Moves data, etc. to Open Humans.

39.4 Frequently Asked Questions

• **I filled out the survey. What next?** You’re all done! (For now. In the future, studies accessing the OpenAPS Data Commons may choose to send additional surveys to collect things like various QOL metrics, which you can choose to participate in or not.) Thanks for donating your data!

• **How much data should I donate?** You can donate as much as you want, or as little as you want. However, many of the studies are interested in looking at before/after looping - so at a minimum, I’d suggest a month or two before you started looping. If you don’t have any reason to limit what you share, I’d suggest sharing all of your Nightscout data to make it the most useful to all potential researchers. (This means don’t bother to put a start or end date in the Nightscout Data Transfer tool; just put in your URL and hit upload.)

• **Who is accessing the data?** Any project from OpenHumans accessing the OpenAPS Data Commons should be listed on the page. We’ll also keep a list going (probably here, on the OpenAPS.org Data Commons page) to reflect the different studies using the data.
OpenAPS doesn’t require you to be a formally trained engineer/developer/anything to get started or use these tools. The main requirement is interest and willingness to safely DIY new technology that may help improve your life as well as others.

If you’re not sure where to get started, here are some ways to get involved:

- Do a fresh install using this guide and see where you get stuck; if you have to do something off-script, there is a reasonable chance the script is either wrong or your case is “special” and should be accounted for here. **Make edits and submit a pull request** to change the document and assist others.

- Additionally, this guide needs more work, always. If there is something that is not documented, do one of two things: a) submit a pull request (see above). or b) log an “issue” ([go here to see the open issues](#)) about the section or thing that needs more documentation.

- Ask questions on **gitter**; if your question wasn’t answered in this doc and gets answered there, chances are it should be included here—go ahead and add it to the appropriate section.

- Test the openaps tools for different use cases and report back with your findings. Log files and, if you’re comfortable, associated device data (CareLink CSV files, for example) are extremely helpful for debugging.

- Submit issues on GitHub and work with other contributors to get them resolved.

- Develop a plugin to enhance the functionality or ease-of-use of openaps.

- Spread the word about #OpenAPS and get others involved; the more, the merrier. ([You can direct them to OpenAPS.org for more information](#).)

- Consider calling your device manufacturer and ask about communication protocols in order to understand how your device operates.

If you would like to work on the core openaps code, take a look at the openaps **contributing guidelines** before getting started. Thank you for your contributions!
One of the common questions we also get is how to donate money to further #OpenAPS. As this is an open source project, there is no financial organization behind OpenAPS that makes sense to donate to. Instead, we recommend considering the following:

If you’ve been helped by the generosity of others, please pay it forward by helping those less fortunate than any of us. There are children dying of T1D who could live healthy lives into adulthood with only a very small contribution from each of us. If you haven’t already, please visit https://lfacinternational.org/ and sign up to make a regular monthly donation to Life for a Child. If you can afford to donate $1/day, that is enough to save the life of one child. And if you can’t afford that, please set up whatever monthly donation you feel you can afford right now. If you’re already donating, please consider increasing your donation. With some small adjustments to our lifestyle, all of us can afford to give at least 10% of our income, and/or 10% of our time, to help the least fortunate. If you don’t feel like you can afford that all at once, feel free to start smaller. But also think about what you would be willing to do, if you had to, in order to get insulin for your own child with T1. Every child with T1 deserves to live.
42.1 Making your first PR (pull request)

At some point it will be suggested that you make a PR. PR is short for pull request, and it is a way of adding or editing information stored in GitHub. It’s actually not too hard to do one and it is a great way to contribute. This documentation is here because people like you made PRs. Don’t worry about making a mistake or somehow editing the wrong documents. There is always a review process before changes are merged into the “formal” OpenAPS documentation repository. You can’t mess up the originals through any accidents in the PR process. The general process is:

- Make edits and improvements to code or documentation by editing the existing content.
- Double-check that your edits look good to you.
- Make a few notes of what’s changed so people may understand the edits.
- Create a pull request, which asks the administrators to use your changes.
- They will do a review and either (1) merge your changes, (2) comment back to you about your changes, or (3) start a new document with your changes.

(Side note: If you are a visual learner, there is a YouTube video here showing the PR workflow.)

For our example we are going to make an edit to the openaps docs. This does NOT need to be done in the linux environment on your rig. This can be done on any Windows PC, Mac, etc. (any computer with Internet access).

1. Go to https://github.com/openaps/docs and hit Fork in the upper right to make your own copy of the repository.
2. Go to http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/introduction/index.html or similar and navigate to the page you want to edit. Click on the black box at bottom left of page with the green word “v: latest” or similar. In the pop up window that appears, click the word “edit” for editing in...
GitHub.
Or you can click on the “Edit in Github” link in the upper right corner, and then click the pencil icon that appears in the top bar of the page contents to be edited.

3. one or the other of the options in Step 2 will create a new branch in YOUR repository where your edits will be saved. Make your edits to the file.
4. You have been working in the “<>Edit file” tab. Select the “Preview changes” tab for a fresh look to make sure everything you changed looks like you meant it to (typos sic.). If you see a needed improvement, go back to the edit tab to make more improvements.
5. When you have finished your edits, scroll to the bottom of the page. In the box at the bottom, provide your comments in the text field that reads, “Add an optional extended description...”. The default title has the file name. Try to include a sentence explaining the reason for the change. Relating the reason helps reviewers understand what you are attempting to do with the PR.
6. Click the green “Propose file changes” or “Commit changes” button. In the page that appears click “Create Pull Request” and again in the next page click “Create Pull Request”.


7. That completes the opening of a pull request, PR. GitHub assigns the PR a number, located after the title and a hash mark. Return to this page to check for feedback (or, if you have Github notifications emailed to you, you will get emails notifying you of any activity on the PR). The edit will now be in a list of PR's that the team will review and potentially give feedback on before committing to the main documentation for openaps! If you want to check on the progress of the PR, you can click on the bell logo in the upper right corner of your GitHub account and see all your PRs.
Congrats, you made your first contribution!

PS, your fork and branch will still be sitting on your own personal GitHub account. After you get a notification that your PR has been merged, you can delete your branch if you are done with it (Step 8’s notification area will provide a link to delete the branch once it has been closed or merged). For future edits, if you follow this procedure the edits will always start with an updated version of the openaps repositories. If you choose to use another method to start a PR request (e.g., editing starting from your forked repo’s master branch as the starting point), you will need to ensure your repo is up-to-date by performing a “compare” first and merging in any updates that have happened since you last updated your fork. Since people tend to forget to update their repos, we recommend using the PR process outlined above until you get familiar with performing “compares”.

### 42.2 Advanced tips for adding multiple images to documentation

If you are planning to make a lot of edits, including adding images to help illustrate parts of the documentation (thank you!), you may want to take the following approach:

- As you go and save screenshots, rename the screenshots to a descriptive name - but try not to use spaces as that confuses Github. Instead, use underscores. I.e. Example_batch_images_upload.png rather than “Example batch images upload.png”.

- You can upload images in batches easily by:

1. Navigate to the images folder (https://github.com/openaps/docs/tree/master/docs/docs/Images - but make sure you are in your fork/copy of the docs Images folder to be able to do this (replace “openaps” in the URL with your github username)).
2. Click in the upper right corner where it says “Upload files”

3. Drag and drop your images into the screen

4. Commit these to your branch

5. Now, you can look for the URL/relative path of each file (example, you can see this individual image has its own URL and path and use that to refer to when adding images into a page in the documentation.

6. To see examples of how to add the images, you can look at the “raw” code of a page to see an example from a page that already has the images embedded successfully. The main thing is to have a plain text description, followed by a link with a relative path to the image, like this: ![Example of uploading images in batches](../Images/Example_batch_images_upload.png)

(That code is exactly how the image below is embedded to be displayed.)

1. Now, once done adding images/making adjustments, you can submit a PR back to the master copy of the OpenAPS docs.

42.3 For Clinicians – A General Introduction and Guide to OpenAPS

This page is intended for clinicians who have expressed interest in open source artificial pancreas technology such as OpenAPS, or for patients who want to share such information with their clinicians.
This guide has some high-level information about DIY closed looping and specifically how OpenAPS works. For more details on all of these topics, please view the comprehensive OpenAPS documentation online. If you have questions, please ask your patient for more details, or always feel free to reach out to the community with question. (If you’re not on social media (e.g. Twitter or Facebook), feel free to email Dana@OpenAPS.org). You can also find some of the latest studies & outcomes related data here.

42.3.1 The steps for building a DIY Closed Loop:

When someone builds an OpenAPS rig, the steps are generally to:

- physically put the pieces of the rig together
- load the open source software on it
- configure it to talk to their diabetes devices and specify settings and safety preferences

42.3.2 How A DIY Closed Loop Works

Without a closed loop system, a person with diabetes gathers data from their pump and CGM, decides what to do, and takes action.

With automated insulin delivery, the system does the same thing: it gathers data from the pump, CGM, and anywhere else information is logged (such as Nightscout), uses this information to do the math and decide how much more or less insulin is needed (above or below the underlying basal rate), and uses temporary basal rates to make the necessary adjustments to keep or eventually bring BGs into target range.

If the rig breaks or goes out of range of the pump, once the latest temporary basal rate ends, the pump falls back to being a standard pump with the usual basals running.

42.3.3 How data is gathered:

With OpenAPS, there is a “rig” that is a physical piece of hardware. It has “brains” on the computer chip to do the math, plus a radio chip to communicate with the pump. It can talk to a phone and to the cloud via wifi to gather additional information, and to report to the patient, caregivers, and loved ones about what it’s doing and why.

The rig needs to:

- communicate with the pump and read history - what insulin has been delivered
- communicate with the CGM (either directly, or via the cloud) - to see what BGs are/have been doing

The rig runs a series of commands to collect this data, runs it through the algorithm and does the decision-making math based on the settings (ISF, carb ratio, DIA, target, etc.) in your pump.

It will also gather any information about boluses, carbohydrate consumption, and temporary target adjustments from the pump or from Nightscout.

42.3.4 How does it know what to do?

The open source software is designed to make it easy for the computer to do the work people used to do (in manual mode) to calculate how insulin delivery should be adjusted. It first collects data from all the devices and from the cloud, prepares the data and runs the calculations, makes predictions of what BGs will be expected to do in different scenario, and calculates the needed adjustments to keep or bring BG back into target range. Next it attempts to communicate and send any necessary adjustments to the pump. Then it reads the data back, and does it over and over again.
OpenAPS is designed to transparently track all input data it gathers, the resulting recommendation, and any action taken. It is therefore easy to answer the question at any time, “why is it doing X?” by reviewing the logs.

42.3.5 Examples of OpenAPS algorithm decision making:

OpenAPS makes multiple predictions (based on settings, and the situation) representing different scenarios of what might happen in the future. In Nightscout, these are displayed as “purple lines”. In the logs, it will describe which of these predictions and which time frame is driving the necessary actions.

Here are examples of the purple prediction lines, and how they might differ:

Here are examples of different time frames that influence the needed adjustments to insulin delivery:
Scenario 1 - Zero Temp for safety

In this example, BG is rising in the near-term time frame; however, it is predicted to be low over a longer time frame. In fact, it is predicted to go below target and the safety threshold. For safety to prevent the low, OpenAPS will issue a zero temp, until the eventualBG (in any time frame) is above threshold.

Scenario 2 - Zero temp for safety

In this example, BG is predicted to go low in the near-term, but is predicted to eventually be above target. However, because the near-term low is actually below the safety threshold, OpenAPS will issue a zero temp, until there is no longer any point of the prediction line that is below threshold.

Scenario 3 - More insulin needed

In this example, a near-term prediction shows a dip below target. However, it is not predicted to be below the safety threshold. The eventual BG is above target. Therefore, OpenAPS will restrain from adding any insulin that would contribute to a near-term low (by adding insulin that would make the prediction go below threshold). It will then
assess adding insulin to bring the lowest level of the eventual predicted BG down to target, once it is safe to do so. (Depending on settings and the amount and timing of insulin required, this insulin may be delivered via temp basals or SMB’s).

**Scenario 4 - Low temping for safety**

In this example, OpenAPS sees that BG is spiking well above target. However, due to the timing of insulin, there is already enough insulin in the body to bring BG into range eventually. In fact, BG is predicted to eventually be below target. Therefore, OpenAPS will not provide extra insulin so it will not contribute to a longer-timeframe low. Although BG is high/rising, a low temporary basal rate is likely here.

42.3.6 Optimizing settings and making changes

As a clinician who may not have experience with OpenAPS or DIY closed loops, you may find it challenging to help your patient optimize their settings or make changes to improve their outcomes. We have multiple tools and guides in the community that help patients make small, tested adjustments to improve their settings.
The most important thing for patients to do is make one change at a time, and observe the impact for 2-3 days before choosing to change or modify another setting (unless it’s obviously a bad change that makes things worse, in which case they should revert immediately to the previous setting). The human tendency is to turn all the knobs and change everything at once; but if someone does so, then they may end up with further sub-optimal settings for the future, and find it hard to get back to a known good state.

One of the most powerful tools for making settings changes is an automated calculation tool for basal rates, ISF, and carb ratio. This is called “Autotune”. It can also be run independently/manually, and allow the data to guide you or your patient in making incremental changes to settings. It is best practice in the community to run (or review) Autotune reports first, prior to attempting to make manual adjustments to settings.

Additionally, human behavior (learned from manual diabetes mode) often influences outcomes, even with a DIY closed loop. For example, if BG is predicted to go low and OpenAPS reduces insulin on the way down, only a small amount of carbs (e.g. 3-4 carbs) may be needed to bring BG up from 70. However, in many cases, someone may choose to treat with many more carbs (e.g. sticking to the 15 rule), which will cause a resulting faster spike both from the extra glucose and because insulin had been reduced in the timeframe leading up to the low. One feature that aids patients in making behavior changes as they transition to DIY closed loops is to set up Pushover, an app that enables them to get push alerts from the rig that specify if carbs are needed, and if so, how many. They can then make an informed decision about carbs needed to adjust for the BG, and this data is helpful for understanding the cause and effect between the amount of low treatment and the resulting BG levels after that.

### 42.3.7 Summary

This is meant to be a high-level overview of how OpenAPS works. For more details, ask your patient, reach out to the community, or read the full OpenAPS documentation available online.

Additional recommended reading:

- The OpenAPS Reference Design, which explains how OpenAPS is designed for safety: https://openaps.org/reference-design/
- The full OpenAPS documentation
  - More details on OpenAPS calculations

### 42.4 Technical Resources

These represent a small selection of guides, tutorials, and quick references for some of the tools used to develop and document OpenAPS.

#### 42.4.1 Raspberry Pi

Raspberry Pi Documentation
Pi Filler, Pi Finder, and Pi Copier

#### 42.4.2 Git and GitHub

Official Git Documentation
Atlassian (BitBucket) Git Tutorials
Code School Interactive Git Introduction
Codecademy Git Course
42.4.3 Linux Shell / Terminal

Learn UNIX in 10 Minutes
Codecademy Command Line Course
Cron How To Guide

42.4.4 Python

Official Python Documentation
Learn Python the Hard Way
Automate the Boring Stuff with Python
Codecademy Python Course
Python 2.7 Quick Reference
NumPy for MATLAB Users

42.4.5 Useful Apps

Fing (Android and Apple): Identify IP address of devices on a network. Useful for finding the IP address of RPi on new networks.
JuiceSSH (Android): SSH client for Android devices

42.4.6 Markdown syntax

Daring Fireball (John Gruber) Markdown Introduction
Macdown: Open-source Markdown editor for OS X
StackEdit: Online Markdown editor

42.5 Medtronic Button Error Troubleshooting

Medtronic insulin pumps sometimes develop problems with their buttons; this seems to be the most common type of failure for older Medtronic pumps. If you have a pump which has lost the sticker that covers the buttons, which has a button that doesn’t respond, or which displays a “button error”, it is likely repairable.

NOTE: Before attempting to repair an insulin pump, have a plan for what to do if the repair fails, or if the pump stops working some time later. This may mean carrying a spare pump, or a vial of insulin and syringes. If your pump has failed and you don’t have a backup, don’t try to repair it until you’ve solved the immediate problem by getting an alternative in place and stabilizing your blood sugar. If a pump has had a button fail and been repaired, it’s much more likely to have another button problem than a pump which has never had a button problem in the first place.

There are two symptoms of button problems: either the button doesn’t respond when you press it, or it registers a press when you didn’t push it. If a button is held for three minutes continuously, the pump will report a Button Error; to clear a button error, you need to press ESC then ACT, which may be difficult if the failing button is one of those two. The ACT button is the one most likely to have a problem, because it gets pressed the most times during normal use. According to Medtronic’s documentation, the pump will not deliver insulin (including basal) until the error is cleared.

The button assembly on a Medtronic pump consists of:
To make a repair, the first thing you’ll need to do is peel up the sticker. Start from the corner above and to the left of the quick-bolus button; if it doesn’t come off easily, you can stick a knife with a pointed tip in the corner. Next you’ll want to peel up the adhesive film, again starting from the left.

Once the sticker is up, you’re looking for three things: domes that have moved sideways and aren’t centered on the contacts, domes that are crushed and aren’t popping back up, and domes with gunk or corrosion in between them and the contacts. If there is gunk under the buttons, use a Q-tip to clean it off. If that doesn’t work, try isopropyl alcohol.

After being pressed enough times, the metal domes will eventually develop metal fatigue and get crushed, leading to a button error. As a temporary fix, you can peel up the sticker and tape, press on the dome from bottom, popping it back up. However, once this has happened, once, it will keep happening again, so you’ll want to replace the dome. You can replace them with these domes from Digikey.

When the sticker has been peeled up, it might retain enough stickiness to put back, or it might not. If it doesn’t stick back down, applying a thin line of cyanoacrylate glue (aka Krazy Glue) around the perimeter of the sticker will work. Test all the buttons before gluing, as it will be difficult to get the sticker back off once you’ve done this.

If you’ve lost the sticker or the sticker has lost enough of its adhesive to be a problem, you can replace both the film and the sticker with this material. Cut a piece in approximately the shape of the sticker; hold it against the pump to see which edges needs to be trimmed further, and repeat until you have a piece in the same shape as the sticker.

Watch video showing button error repair.

42.6 Troubleshooting

Even those who follow this documentation precisely are bound to end up stuck at some point. This could be due to something unique to your system, a mistyped command, actions performed out of order, or even a typo in this guide. This section provides some tools to help diagnose the issue as well as some common errors that have been experienced and resolved before. If you get stuck, try re-reading the documentation again and after that, share what you’ve been working on, attempted steps to resolve, and other pertinent details in #intend-to-bolus in Gitter when asking for help troubleshooting. Here is also a good blog post to read with tips on how to best seek help online to troubleshoot.

What’s on this page:

- Generally useful linux commands
- Dealing with npm run global-install errors
- Dealing with a corrupted git repository
- Debugging Disk Space Issues
- Environment variables
- Wifi and hotspot issues
  - My wifi connection keeps dropping or I keep getting kicked out of ssh
  - I forget to switch back to home wifi and it runs up my data plan
  - I am having trouble consistently connecting to my wifi hotspot when I leave the house
  - I am not able to connect to my wireless access point on my iPhone
- Common error messages
– Don’t have permission, permission not allowed, etc
– ValueError: need more than 0 values to unpack
– Unable to upload to Nightscout
– No JSON object could be decoded
– json: error: input is not JSON
– TypeError: Cannot read property ‘zzzz’ of undefined
– Could not parse carbratio date when invoking profile report
– Could not get subg rfspy state or version ccprog
– Dealing with the CareLink USB Stick

42.6.1 Generally useful linux commands

More comprehensive command line references can be found here and here. For the below, since these are basic linux things, also try using a basic search engine (i.e. Google) to learn more about them and their intended use.

ls -alt (List all of the files in the current directory with additional details.)
cd (Change directory)
pwd (Show the present working directory (your current location within the filesystem).)
sudo <command> (Super-user do. Temporarily elevates the current users permission to that of root.)
apt-get install <package> (Aptitude is a package manager, when a package is missing it will (usually) be there and can be installed by issuing ‘apt-get install .)
tail -f /var/log/syslog
grep LOOP /var/log/syslog (Display lines in file that contain a string, in this example, ‘LOOP’)
df -h
ifconfig
cat <filename> (Display the contents of the file.)
nano <filename> (Open and edit the file in the nano text editor.)
stat <filename>
head <filename> (Display the beginning of the file.)
less <filename> (Display the contents of the file, with advanced navigation)
pip freeze
sudo reboot (Reboot the system)
sudo shutdown -h now (The correct way to shut down the Raspberry Pi from the command line. Wait for the green light to stop blinking before removing the power supply.)
dmesg (Displays all the kernel output since boot. It’s pretty difficult to read, but sometimes you see things in there about the wifi getting disconnected and so forth.)
uptime (Shows how long the system has been running and the load average of last minute/5 minutes/15 minutes)
crontab -l (Display cron jobs)
sudo service cron status (Display info on cron service. Also use stop and start)
42.6.2 Dealing with npm run global-install errors

If you get an error while running an `npm global-install`, you may be able to clear it by running the following commands:

```bash
rm -rf /usr/lib/node_modules/.staging/ && rm -rf ~/src/oref0 && cd ~/src &&
git clone git://github.com/openaps/oref0.git || (cd oref0 && git checkout master && git pull)
```

Then run:

```bash
then run cd ~/src/oref0 && git checkout master && git pull or if you are running dev then cd
~/src/oref0 && git checkout dev && git pull
```

Then run:

```bash
then run cd ~/src/oref0 && npm run global-install and then re-run oref0-setup.
```

42.6.3 Dealing with a corrupted git repository

In oref0 versions prior to oref0 0.6.0, OpenAPS used git as the logging mechanism, so it commits report changes on each report invoke. Sometimes, due to “unexpected” power-offs (battery dying, unplugging, etc.), the git repository gets broken. You may see an error that references a loose object, or a corrupted git repository. To fix a corrupted git repository you can run `oref0-reset-git`, which will first run `oref0-fix-git-corruption` to try to fix the repository, and in case when repository is definitely broken it copies the .git history to a temporary location (`tmp`) and initializes a new git repo. In some versions of oref0 (up to 0.5.5), `oref0-reset-git` is in cron so that if the repository gets corrupted it can quickly reset itself.

If you’re still having git issues, you should `cd ~/myopenaps; rm -rf .git ; git init`. If you do this, git will re-initialize from scratch. This only applies to 0.5.x (or earlier) or upgrades to dev from master and does not apply to a fresh 0.6.x install.

Warning: do not run any openaps commands with `sudo` in front of it `sudo openaps`. If you do, your .git permissions will get messed up. `Sudo` should only be used when a command needs root permissions, and openaps does not need that. Such permission problems can be corrected by running `sudo chown -R pi.pi .git` in the openaps directory. If you are using an Intel Edison, run `sudo chown -R edison.users .git`.

`oref0 0.6.x` and beyond will not use git and will not have git-related errors to deal with.

42.6.4 Debugging Disk Space Issues

If you are having errors related to disk space shortages as determined by `df -h`, but you still have some room on your `/root` drive (i.e., it is not 100% in use), you can use a very lightweight and fast tool called `ncdu` (a command-line disk usage analyzer) to determine what folders and files on your system are using the most disk space. You can install `ncdu` as follows: `sudo apt-get install ncdu`. You can run it by running the following command: `cd / && sudo ncdu` and follow the interactive screen to find your disk hogging folders.

An alternative approach to disk troubleshooting is to simply run the following command from the base unix directory after running `cd /`:

```bash
du -xh -d 3 | egrep "^[0-9]\*[0-9][0-9][0-9]M\*[0-9][0-9]G$" (reports disk usage of all directories 3 levels deep from the current directory)
```

Then, based on which folders are using the most space cd to those folders and run the above du command again until you find the folder that is using up the disk space.

One potential culprit can be cached software packages, which can be removed with `sudo apt-get clean` and/or `sudo apt-get autoremove --purge`.

It is also common that log files (i.e., the `/var/log` directory) are the cause for disk space issues. If you determine that log file(s) are the problem, use a command like `less` to view the last entries in the logfile to attempt to figure out what is causing the logfile to fill up. If you still have some room on your `/root` drive (i.e., it is not 100% in use according
to `df /root`), you can temporarily free up space by forcing the logfiles to rotate immediately, with the following command:

```
logrotate -f /etc/logrotate.conf
```

If your /root drive is 100% in use according to `df /root`, you may need to free up space by removing log files. It should be safe to remove archived log files with the command `rm /var/log/*.[0-9] /var/log/*.gz`. Check again with `df /root` that you have plenty of space - normally your /root drive should have 80% or less space in use. If you have more in use but still less than 100% you can use one of the above techniques to free more space.

If your disk is still 100% full, you may have to remove a live log file. Run the command `du /var/log/openaps/* /var/log/*|sort -n |tail -5`, which will show the largest 5 log files. Pick the largest file, use the command `less` to view the last entries to determine if there is a problem, and when you’re sure you don’t need the file any longer you can use the command `rm log_file_name` to delete it (replace log_file_name with the large log file’s name). You should `reboot` after removing any of the live log files so the system resumes logging properly.

### 42.6.5 Environment variables

If you are getting your BG from Nightscout or you want to upload loop status/results to Nightscout, among other things you’ll need to set 2 environment variables: `NIGHTSCOUT_HOST` and `API_SECRET`. If you do not set and export these variables you will receive errors while running `openaps report invoke monitor/ns-glucose.json` and while executing `ns-upload.sh` script which is most probably part of your `upload-recent-treatments` alias. Make sure your `API_SECRET` is in hashed format. Please see this page or this issue for details. Additionally, your `NIGHTSCOUT_HOST` should be in a format like `http://yourname.herokuapp.com` (without trailing slash). For the complete visualization guide use this page from the OpenAPS documentation.

### 42.6.6 Wifi and hotspot issues

**My wifi connection keeps dropping or I keep getting kicked out of ssh**

There is a script that you can add to your root cron that will test your connection and reset it if it is down. Here is an example that runs every two minutes (odd minutes). You could also do it every 5 minutes or less. Note, this does not have to be for an Edison, you can set this up for a Pi, etc as well.

```
cd ~/src
git clone https://github.com/TC2013/edison_wifi
cd edison_wifi
chmod 0755 /root/src/edison_wifi/wifi.sh
```

Next, add the script to your root cron. Note this is a different cron that what your loops runs on, so when you open it don’t expect to see your loop and other items you have added.

- Log in as root `su root`
- Edit your root cron `crontab -e`
- Add the following line `1-59/2 */5 * * * /root/src/edison_wifi/wifi.sh google.com 2>&1 | logger -t wifi-reset`

**I forget to switch back to home wifi and it runs up my data plan**

You can add a line to your cron that will check to see if `<YOURWIFINAME>` is available and automatically switch to it if you are on a different network.
• Log in as root `su root`
• Edit your root cron `crontab -e`
• Add the following line

```bash
*/2 * * * * ( (wpa_cli status | grep <YOURWIFINAME> > /dev/null && echo already on <YOURWIFINAME>) || (wpa_cli scan > /dev/null && wpa_cli scan_results | egrep <YOURWIFINAME> > /dev/null && sudo wpa_cli select_network $(wpa_cli list_networks | grep jsqrd | cut -f 1) && echo switched to <YOURWIFINAME> && sleep 15 && (for i in $(wpa_cli list_networks | grep DISABLED | cut -f 1); do wpa_cli enable_network $i > /dev/null; done) && echo and re-enabled other networks) ) 2>&1 | logger -t wifi-select
```

I am having trouble consistently connecting to my wifi hotspot when I leave the house

When you turn on your hotspot it will only broadcast for 90 seconds and then stop (even if it is flipped on). So, when you leave your house you need to go into the hotspot setting screen (and flip on if needed). Leave this screen open until you see your rig has connected. It may only take a few seconds or a full minute.

I am not able to connect to my wireless access point on my iPhone

Consider changing your iPhone’s name... In most cases iPhone will set the phone’s SSID to something like “James’s iPhone” By default Apple puts a curly apostrophe (’) into the SSID instead of a straight one (‘). Your choices from here are either paste in the curly apostrophe in wpa_supplicant.conf, or change the name on the phone. To change the name on the iPhone:

• On your iOS device, go to Settings > General > About.
• Tap the first line, which shows the name of your device.
• Rename your device, then tap Done.

42.6.7 Common error messages

**WARNING:** Pay close attention to errors. An error may indicate a serious operational or functional problem with a computer system or component.

These error messages may appear in response to openaps commands in the console, or in the system log (located at /var/log/syslog when using raspbian OS). Some errors can be safely ignored, like timeout errors that occur when the pump is out of range.

**Permission not allowed**

The command you are running likely needs to be run with root permissions, try the same command again with `sudo` in front of it

Bash scripts (.sh files) need execute permissions to run. Run this command to grant execute permissions to the owner of a file.

```
chmod u+x myscript.sh
```

**ValueError: need more than 0 values to unpack**

A JSON file did not contain entries. It usually will self-resolve with the next successful pump history read.
Unable to upload to Nightscout

OpenAPS has failed to upload to the configured nightscout website. If you're using a Medtronic CGM and no BG readings appear in nightscout, connect to your rig and the directory of your openaps app (default is myopenaps) run

`openaps first-upload`

No JSON object could be decoded

Usually means the file does not exist. It usually will self-resolve with the next successful pump history read. If it recurs, you will need to drill down to find the area where it is not successfully reading.

**json: error: input is not JSON**

```text
json: error: input is not JSON: Unexpected '<' at line 1, column 1:
<head><title>Document Moved</title></head>
```

This error usually comes up when you have pulled a file down from Nightscout that was an invalid file. Typically you might see this when trying to pull down treatments. Make sure that you have your HOST and API_KEY set correctly at the top of your cron, in your ~/.profile

**TypeError: Cannot read property 'zzzz' of undefined**

*example:* `TypeError: Cannot read property 'rate' of undefined`

Usually is related to a typo if you have manually been editing files. Otherwise, should self-resolve.

Could not parse carbratio date when invoking profile report

```text
Could not parse carbratio_data. Feature Meal Assist enabled but cannot find required carb_ratios.
```

This error may occur when you invoke `settings/profile.json` report.

Check report definition in `openaps.ini`. If you have line `remainder = []` change it to `remainder =`

Below is correct definition

```ini
[report "settings/profile.json"]
use = shell
bg_targets = settings/bg_targets.json
settings = settings/settings.json
basal_profile = settings/basal_profile.json
reporter = text
json_default = True
max_iob = preferences.json
device = get-profile
remainder =
insulin_sensitivities = settings/insulin_sensitivities.json
```

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**42.6. Troubleshooting**
Could not get subg rfspy state or version ccprog or cannot connect to CC111x radio

Full error is usually: Could not get subg rfspy state or version. Have you got the right port/device and radio_type? (ccprog)

Or (on an intel edison): cannot connect to CC111x radio on /dev/spidev5.1
Or (on a Raspberry Pi): cannot connect to CC111x radio on /dev/spidev0.0

Basic steps using an Intel Edison with Explorer Board or a Raspberry Pi with Explorer HAT:

• checking with cd ~/myopenaps && sudo service cron stop && killall -g openaps ; killall-g oref0-pump-loop; oref0-mmtune && & sudo service cron start’ to see if it is resolved yet

• Make sure the Explorer board or HAT has not become loose and is sitting correctly on the Edison board or Pi

• Check that your rig is in close range of your pump

• Check that your pump battery is not empty

• Reboot, or fully power down and start up your rig

If you are using an Intel Edison with Explorer Board or a Raspberry Pi with Explorer HAT, and that does not resolve your issue, or if the two LEDs next to the microUSB ports on your Explorer board (respectively D1/D2 on Explorer HAT) stay on even after an mmtune, you may need to re-flash your radio chip:

• Stop the reboot loop: sudo service cron stop && killall-g oref0-pump-loop && shutdown -c

• (for versions >0.7.0) Install MRAA (you only need to do this once per rig): oref0-mraa-install

• Reboot manually, and if necessary stop the reboot loop again: sudo service cron stop && killall-g oref0-pump-loop && shutdown -c

• Install ccprog tools on your Edison: cd ~/src; git clone https://github.com/ps2/ccprog. git

• Build (compile) ccprog so you can run it: cd ccprog; make ccprog

• Flash the radio chip:

Using an Intel Edision + Explorer Block:

```
wget https://github.com/EnhancedRadioDevices/subg_rfspy/releases/download/v0.8-explorer/spi1_alt2_EDISON_EXPLORER_US_STDLOC.hex
./ccprog -p 19,7,36 erase
./ccprog -p 19,7,36 write spi1_alt2_EDISON_EXPLORER_US_STDLOC.hex
```

If you receive an error saying that ccprog is only tested on C1110 chips then reboot the rig and try again. i.e.

```
rebuild
```

Then:

```
cd ~/src/ccprog
./ccprog -p 19,7,36 erase
./ccprog -p 19,7,36 write spi1_alt2_EDISON_EXPLORER_US_STDLOC.hex
```
Using a Raspberry Pi + Explorer HAT:

```
wget https://github.com/EnhancedRadioDevices/subg_rfspy/releases/download/v0.8-explorer/spi1_alt2_EDISON_EXPLORER_US_STDLOC.hex
./ccprog -p 16,18,7 reset
./ccprog -p 16,18,7 erase
./ccprog -p 16,18,7 write spi1_alt2_EDISON_EXPLORER_US_STDLOC.hex
```

- Reboot, and try cd ~/myopenaps && sudo service cron stop && killall -g openaps ; killall -g oref0-pump-loop; oref0-mmtune && sudo service cron start to make sure it works.

When you get errors like the following and the radio LEDs are constantly glowing, double check if the service loop is really stopped.

```
~/src/ccprog# ./ccprog -p 16,18,7 reset
Using pins: DC=16, DD=18, RESET=7
This code is only tested on CC1110. Unsupported chip id = 0x00.
```

```
~/src/ccprog# ./ccprog -p 16,18,7 erase
Using pins: DC=16, DD=18, RESET=7
Erasing chip.
This code is only tested on CC1110. Unsupported chip id = 0x00.
Chip erase failed.
```

Repeat the preparation steps above to make sure the radio is not used before your flash attempt. Alternatively, you might want to rename the oref0 folder to make absolutely sure the loop service will not start. Rename it back to oref0 after you successfully flashed the radio chip.

**Monitor/mmtune.json is empty or does not exist**

**Only verified to work with Intel Edison + Explorer Block**

Full error is:

```
cannot connect to CC111x radio on /dev/spidev5.1
1999/12/31 19:14:23 cc111x: no response
monitor/mmtune.json is empty or does not exist
```

Trying to reflash the radio may result in:

```
Erasing chip.
This code is only tested on CC1110. Unsupported chip id = 0x00.
Chip erase failed.
```

If you’re affected by this particular issue, the two LEDs next to the microUSB ports on your Explorer board may stay on continuously, or they may flash during loop attempts, but stay on between loops. If this is the case, you may need to completely reinstall OpenAPS. This requires redoing everything from the Jubilinux flash, to the bootstrap script and finally the OpenAPS setup.

**Note:** Starting the Jubilinux flash from the beginning will overwrite everything, so you may want to copy and save any configuration files you don’t want to lose, like your `wpa_supplicant.conf` Wi-Fi settings for example.

Instructions to reinstall OpenAPS are [here](#)

Once you have finished running the OpenAPS setup script, view your loop by entering 1. Your loop will probably still be failing, but with a different error message:
Could not get subg_rfspy state or version. Have you got the right port/device and -radio_type?

Now you should be able to follow the directions above to reflash the radio. This time the reflash should be successful and you should see:

Erasing chip.
Chip erased.
root@yourrig:/src/ccprog# ./ccprog -p 19,7,36 write spi1_alt2_EDISON_EXPLORES_STDLOC.hex

Press enter, then you should see:

Writing 2769 bytes to flash....

You have now successfully reflashed the radio. Now reboot and your loop should start running with red and green LEDs off (except for an occasional blink).

42.6.8 Dealing with the CareLink USB Stick

Note: Generally, the Carelink stick is no longer supported. We highly recommend moving forward with a different radio stick. See the hardware currently recommended in the docs, or ask on Gitter.

The model command is a quick way to verify whether you can communicate with the pump. Test this with openaps use <my_pump_name> model (after you do a killall-g oref0-pump-loop).

If you can’t get a response, it may be a range issue. The range of the CareLink radio is not particularly good, and orientation matters; see range testing report for more information.

Sometimes the Carelink will get into an unresponsive state that it will not recover from without help. You can tell this has happened if the pump is within range of the Carelink and you see a repeating series of “Attempting to use a port that is not open” or “ACK is 0 bytes” errors in pump-loop.log. When this happens the Carelink can be recovered by rebooting or physically unplugging and replugging the CareLink stick.

Once you’re setting up your loop, you may want to detect these errors and recover the Carelink programmatically. This can be done by running oref0-reset-usb (oref0-reset-usb.sh) to reset the USB connection. For example, you could create a cron job that would run openaps use <my_pump_name> model, or tail the 100 most recent lines in pump-loop.log, and grep the output looking for the errors noted above. If grep finds the errors, the cron job would run oref0-reset-usb. Just note that during USB reset you will lose the connection to all of your USB peripherals. This includes your Wi-Fi connection if your rig uses a USB Wi-Fi dongle.

42.7 OpenAPS Overview and Project History

To address some of the challenges of daily life with diabetes, and because #WeAreNotWaiting, several people worked to figure out how to connect up existing FDA-approved medical devices such as the Dexcom G4 CGM and the Medtronic Minimed insulin pump, using commodity computer / mobile phone hardware and open-source software, to create a complete closed loop Artificial Pancreas System (APS). The first public example of this was the #DIYPS closed loop system, created in their spare time by @DanaMLewis and @ScottLeibrand in the fall of 2013 based on their earlier work to build the #DIYPS remote monitoring and decision assist system. #DIYPS used the Nightscout project’s uploader to get Dexcom CGM data off the device. #DIYPS was able to become a closed loop with the help of open-source decoding-carelink project created by @Ben West to communicate with Medtronic insulin pumps, retrieve data and issue insulin-dosing commands to pumps that support it. #DIYPS was the base system that led to #OpenAPS.
In light of the success of #DIYPS closed loop and other simple APS systems built by individuals, Dana and Scott decided to further apply the #WeAreNotWaiting ethos to APS research, believing safe and effective APS technology can be made available more quickly and to more people, rather than just waiting for current APS efforts to complete clinical trials and be FDA-approved and commercialized through traditional processes.

As a result, #OpenAPS is an open reference design for, and a reference implementation of, a self-built closed loop APS system that uses the CGM sensors’ estimate of blood glucose (BG) to automatically adjust basal insulin levels, in order to keep BG levels inside a safe range overnight and between meals.

Over the years, there have been hundreds of individuals worldwide who have self-built their own OpenAPS systems, and dozens of people who have contributed to the further development, helping make OpenAPS what it is today!

42.8 Glossary

42.8.1 AP and OpenAPS high-level terminology

APS or AP - Artificial Pancreas System. A term for a closed-loop automated insulin delivery system in which temporary basal adjustments are used to maintain BG levels at a user-specified target range.

Basal - baseline insulin level that is pre-programmed into your pump and mimics the insulin your pancreas would give throughout the day and night

Basal IOB - difference (positive or negative) between amount of insulin on board delivered via basal rates (including any temporary basal rates), and the amount specified by your standard profile basal rate.

BG - Blood Glucose

BGI (Blood Glucose Impact) - The degree to which Blood Glucose (BG) “should” be rising or falling. OpenAPS calculates this value to determine the ‘Eventual Blood Glucose’. This value can be used to make other high/low basal decisions in advanced implementations of OpenAPS.

Bolus - extra insulin given by a pump, usually to correct for a high Blood Glucose (BG) or for carbohydrates

CGM - Continuous Glucose Monitor, a temporary glucose sensor that is injected into your skin (the needle is removed) for and provides BG readings approximately every 5 minutes. Different models exist in the market with various calibration requirements varying from no calibrations to 2 a day, and official sensor lifetimes varying from 6-10 days.

closed-loop - closed-loop systems make automatic adjustments to basal delivery, without needing user-approval, based on an algorithm.

COB - Carbs-on-board. Describes an estimation of how many Carbs are still active in the body.

COBpredBG - a variable that uses carbs and insulin together in predicting the BG curve. It is represented by a purple prediction line in Nightscout (NS). The default behaviour has changed for carb absorption in oref0 0.6.0 and beyond, with the adoption of a \( \Lambda \) shaped bilinear carb absorption model. This line in your Nightscout (NS) display will show an S-curve shape immediately after entering carbs that starts out flat (in line with current BG trends) and then rises sharply after about an hour before flattening out. A typical meal absorption time of about 3 hours is assumed which is then extended overtime so that Oref0 gradually relies more on actual observed carb absorption as carbs are absorbed. When the carbs are first entered, remainingCATime is set to 3 hours. When 50% of carbs have absorbed, the remainder (that aren’t seen to be absorbing already) are predicted to take another 4.5h. And as COB approaches zero, remainingCATime will approach 6 hours.

CR - Carb Ratio, or carbohydrate ratio - the amount of carbohydrates that are covered by one unit of insulin. Example: 1 u of insulin for 10 carbs.

DIA - Duration of Insulin Action, or how long the insulin is active in your body (Ranges 3-6 hours typically).
IOB - Insulin On Board, or insulin active in your body. Note that most commercially available pumps calculate IOB based on bolus activity only. Usually, but not always, Net IOB is what Nightscout displays as ‘IOB’. While what’s displayed in your Nightscout (NS) IOB pill may match what IOB is in your current loop, it’s probably a good practice to not rely on this pill alone for determining IOB.

IOBpredBG - also a variable reported in your Openaps Pill in Nightscout - this is a predicted BG curve that is based on insulin only. It is represented by the purple prediction lines ISF - insulin sensitivity factor - the expected decrease in BG as a result of one unit of insulin. Example: 1 u of insulin for 40 mg/dL (2.2 mmol/L)

MINpredBG - this variable is the lowest predicted value that Openaps has made for your future BG.

Net IOB - amount of Insulin On Board, taking into account any adjusted (higher or lower) basal rates (see Basal IOB above) plus bolus activity.

NS, or Nightscout - a cloud-based visualization and remote-monitoring tool.

OpenAPS - refers to an example build of the system when used without a hashtag (#)

openaps - the core suite of software tools under development by this community for use in an OpenAPS implementation

#OpenAPS - stands for Open Artificial Pancreas System. It is an open-source movement to develop an artificial pancreas using commercial medical devices, a few pieces of inexpensive hardware, and freely-available software. A full description of the #OpenAPS project can be found at openaps.org. #OpenAPS (with the hashtag) generally refers to the broad project and open source movement.

open-loop - open-loop systems will suggest recommended adjustments to basal delivery, but will require specific user-approval prior to implementing.

oref0 - “reference design implementation version 0” of the OpenAPS reference design. Aka, the key algorithm behind OpenAPS.

Treatments IOB - amount of Insulin On Board delivered via boluses. Reported by some pumps as ‘active insulin’.

UAM Unannounced Meal provides an alternative method (in addition to or instead of carb entry) for detecting and safely dosing insulin in response to significant BG rises, whether they are due to meals, adrenaline, or any other reason.

UAMpredBG’s - this variable represents the impact of ‘floating carbs’ and insulin together in predicting the BG curve, giving a prediction line for the new feature Unannounced Meals (or carbs).

SMB - Super Micro Bolus. An alternative insulin delivery method introduced in oref1 which allows oref1 to safely dose mealtime insulin more rapidly.

### 42.8.2 OpenAPS-specific terminology

OpenAPS Nightscout Status Messages appear when the OpenAPS plugin is enabled.

- **Looping** - Success; Temp basal rate has been suggested.
- **Enacted** - Success; Temp basal rate has been set.
- **Not Enacted x** - Success; No action taken on suggested temp basal rate.
- **Waiting** - Timeout; No recent status received from OpenAPS.
- **Unknown** - Error or Timeout; OpenAPS has reported a failure, or has reported no status for many hours.

Avg. Delta - average BG delta between 5 min intervals.

Delta - difference between the last two BG values. An asterisk (*) is displayed in Nightscout when estimating due to missing BG values.

Eventual BG - BG after DIA hours (or maybe a bit sooner if most of your insulin was awhile ago), considering the current IOB and COB.
Exponential Curves - Most insulin types reach their peak performance and decay along a curve. OpenAPS can calculate active insulin along a rapid-acting, ultra-rapid, or custom curve, or a bilinear non-curve.

- **Rapid-acting**: This curve, the default, reaches activity peak at 75 minutes by default, and is recommended for use with Apidra, Humalog, Novolog, and Novorapid insulin.
- **Ultra-rapid**: This curve reaches activity peak at 55 minutes by default, and is recommended for use with Fiasp insulin.
- **Bilinear**: This is a non-curve insulin activity model that OpenAPS users can set in their preferences file to use an older insulin activity model.
- **Custom Insulin Peak Time**: Users may set a custom insulin peak time in their preference file with useCustomPeakTime, with legal values of insulinPeakTime from 35 to 120. The value refers to the amount of time until your insulin reaches maximum effect, defined as minutes from bolus to peak.

Exp. Delta - expected BG delta right now, considering all OpenAPS inputs (IOB, COB, etc).

predBGs - predicted Blood Glucose over next N many minutes based on openAPS logic, in 5 minute increments.

### 42.9 Tips for switching from another DIY closed loop system to OpenAPS rig (or running both)

**Note:** This is a high level switchover cheat sheet, and will primarily discuss Loop and OpenAPS comparisons (but may be relevant for helping you understand the differences of OpenAPS from other DIY systems as well). For the purposes of this Loop-to-OpenAPS switchover cheat sheet, we’re going to assume a few things and therefore are not covering all the possible options for setting up an OpenAPS rig. If you want to find out options that exist beyond the assumptions in this page, please refer back to the main OpenAPS documentation pages. In fact, please refer back to the main documentation sections anyway. They really have a lot of information you’ll find helpful. This page is more of a quick cheat sheet to help you get the high levels rather than a thorough setup guide (that’s what the OpenAPS documentation is for). There will be links throughout to the relevant OpenAPS documentation for more details when referenced.

#### 42.9.1 Other things you should know before starting:

- **OpenAPS is similar to Loop** (they’re both temp basal-based DIY closed loops), but different, even beyond the hardware. The algorithm (looping code) of OpenAPS is referred to as “oref0”. You can look at that code (it’s written to be pretty straight forward - see this example, and the glossary may be helpful as well), but you can also read this plain language “reference design” that guides how OpenAPS was built.

- **Paying it forward**: OpenAPS is part of the #WeAreNotWaiting movement...built 100% by volunteers...and that also includes the documentation! If you spot something in the documentation that needs fixing or improving, please flag it and/or submit an edit yourself to fix the documentation then and there!
  
  - This is called “making a pull request” or “making a PR”, which presents your edit for someone to review, approve, and update the overall documentation - which means everyone can use your fix moving forward! We all have a responsibility to keep adding to and improving the documentation. You can find a guide to creating a pull request/submitting your edit here, and if you ask, we’re happy to help answer questions as you do your first pull request.

- **You can do this.**
  
  - One user estimates setting up OpenAPS takes only 20 mouse clicks; 29 copy and paste lines of code; 10 entries of passwords or logins; and probably about 15-20 random small entries at prompts (like your NS site address or your email address or wifi addresses). So if you can copy and paste, you’ll be able to do this!
If you’re coming to try OpenAPS from a Loop system, there’s going to be some pretty obvious differences. And it starts with “building” the system.

### 42.9.2 Main Hardware Differences:

**Loop** is built using XCode app on an Apple computer. The brains of the system sit on your iPhone. The communications reside in the RileyLink, acting as a communicator between the iPhone and pump.

**OpenAPS** is built using “script” commands (can be wide variety of computers that are used). The brains and communications of the system reside on a “rig” which acts as a mini-computer.

### 42.9.3 Assumptions for this Cheat Sheet Guide

1. Using an explorer board and Edison
2. Using an Apple computer
3. Using a Loop-compatible Medtronic pump (note - OpenAPS can actually use an additional set of pumps, the x12 series, but it will be unable to use some advanced features like SMB. See this page in OpenAPS docs for all compatible pumps.)

### 42.9.4 High Level Recommended Rig parts list

See this short list for what to buy for an Edison/Explorer Board OpenAPS rig.

### 42.9.5 Getting started on OpenAPS - the setup links

**Building your Rig:**

- Start here for the Mac version (with pictures!)
- (Reference this page if you’re using any other type of computer to build.)

**Flashing your rig:**

- For Mac (with pictures!)
- (For other computers.)

**Nightscout**

- We highly recommend Nightscout. Go to nightscout.info if you have not yet setup
- If you’re already on Nightscout, you just need to add openaps, like you did Loop, to enable the OpenAPS pill. You will also want to enable the OpenAPS forecast line(s) when you switch to an OpenAPS rig.
- See this page for more details about Nightscout and OpenAPS
Installing oref0/"installing the loop"

- Existing instructions for this (Phase 2 of OpenAPS documentation) are here.

Personalizing your loop:

- Phase 3 instructions are here.

42.9.6 The big differences between Loop and OpenAPS:

Targets and algorithm differences

- Loop pulled targets from the app. OpenAPS pulls targets from the pump. Here’s [more detail on the data OpenAPS pulls and how it outputs data for you to understand the algorithm in action](http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/While You Wait For Gear/Understand-determine-basal.html).

- Loop has temporary targets available by using the workout mode in the Loop app. OpenAPS can have multiple temp targets (i.e. Eating Soon and Workout, etc., and can be set via the Nightscout Care Portal if the rig is online, and via IFTTT/Alexa/pebble/scheduled in advance/location based triggers.

- OpenAPS has no bolus momentum or safety guard that prevent boluses; but has other key safety settings (see below)

“MaxIOB” and other safety settings

MaxIOB

- This is the max cap of how much IOB you want to allow before OpenAPS stops dosing additional insulin. It is not the same as a max basal rate. The default setting is 0, but if you’re coming from Loop, you’re probably ok starting with something other than 0 for maxIOB. You will want to consider how you are going to use OpenAPS, particularly if you are new to the closed loop community. The most conservative setting would be to set something lower than your typical meal bolus. This is a reasonable place to start if you are new and as you get used to how yours (or your child’s) blood sugar is managed by the algorithms within OpenAPS. This will prevent OpenAPS from adding any additional insulin on top of your meal bolus, until that IOB has decayed down to the configured value.

- Once you have watched the rig for a while, and you have a good understanding of it’s response, you may be considering turning on the advanced feature of SMB, at which point you will want to reconsider your max_iob setting. In this case, you will want to reflect on several factors before you re-set your max_iob. The first important consideration is how you will want SMB to function. If you are intending that SMB will moderate carb counting that was not accurate, or will be used to catch those unexpected BG rises, but you still intend to carb count and fully bolus, then you may not need to make any changes. For new users, it is recommended that you start using this advanced feature in this stepwise way, so you will have a good understanding by watching how it responds in your loop. If you watch in your OpenAPS pill, you will see if you are frequenty hitting the max_iob as a limitation, and then you can begin adjusting accordingly.

- Once you are comfortable with the added functionality of SMB, you may want to have SMB take over some, or all, of the responsibility for dosing insulin for foods and reducing your upfront bolus amount. In this case, you will need to adjust your max_iob rate in consideration of how much you may typically want SMB to be responsible for. Extending the example from above, if your initial max_iob is set to 2.0, then you may find that SMB is unable to be rapidly helpful in the case of foods for which you have not fully bolused, as it will be restricted by the max_iob setting. This will be magnified significantly if you are using Fiasp and intending to have SMB take over all bolus needs. In instances such as this, you will want to increase your max_iob, giving
consideration of your regular carb load, your regular bolus ratio and the amount of insulin you would usually need to give that you now want SMB to be responsible for. Of course, as YDMV, this number will be very individual. We strongly encourage you to be conservative, particularly as you start out, as safety should always be the first consideration.


### Other safety settings

- In addition to maxIOB, there are other basal-related safety caps built into OpenAPS to help protect you. These are to prevent people from getting into dangerous territory by setting excessively high max temp basals before understanding how the algorithm works. There are default values provided when the OpenAPS loop is first built; most people will never need to adjust these and are instead more likely to need to adjust other settings if they feel like they are “running into” or restricted by these safety caps. If you do want to adjust these default values, they are located in the same preferences file as linked in the max-iob discussion above. **NOTE:** OpenAPS’s loop will use the LOWEST of the following three values to cap your temp basal rate, to make sure you don’t get a disproportionate amount of insulin.

  - **“Max Basal”** refers to the max basal set on the pump. (If you change this, it will be read in the next time your rig pulls pump settings.)

  - **“Max Daily Safety Multiplier”** limits the temp basal set by OpenAPS loop to be a multiplier of your HIGHEST regularly-scheduled basal rate in the pump. The default setting for this multiplier is 3x...meaning no more than three times your maximum programmed basal rate for the day. If someone tells you your basal is capped by the “3x max daily; 4x current” for safety caps, this is what they’d be referring to.

  - **“Max Current Basal Safety Multiplier”**: limits the temp basal set by OpenAPS loop to be a multiplier of your CURRENT regularly-scheduled basal rate in the pump. The default setting for this multiplier is 4x...meaning no more than four times your current programmed basal rate.

- Read about [all of the other optional safety settings here](http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/While You Wait For Gear/preferences-and-safety-settings.html#understanding-your-preferences-json).

### Parents in particular may want to review the optional settings

- **Parents** should read this blog post by Katie DiSimone for a parent’s perspective about various pros/cons for parents and kids evaluating DIY closed loop systems.

- **Override the high target with the low** ([see this explanation](http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/While You Wait For Gear/preferences-and-safety-settings.html#override-high-target-with-low) for enabling this feature)

  This makes it easier for secondary caregivers (like school nurses) to do conservative boluses at lunch/snack time, and allow the closed loop to pick up from there. The secondary caregiver can use the bolus wizard, which will correct down to the high end of the target; and setting this value in preferences to “true” allows the closed loop to target the low end of the target. Based on anecdotal reports from those using it, this feature sounds like it’s prevented a lot of (unintentional, diabetes is hard) overreacting by secondary caregivers when the closed loop can more easily deal with BG fluctuations.

- **Carb ratio adjustment ratio** ([see this explanation](http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/While You Wait For Gear/preferences-and-safety-settings.html#carbratio-adjustmentratio) for enabling this feature)

  If parents would prefer for secondary caregivers to bolus with a more conservative carb ratio, this can be set so the closed loop ultimately uses the correct carb amount for any needed additional calculations.
Connectivity

- Loop works offline automatically; but may often need tuning and fixing if you go out of range and come back in range.
- OpenAPS needs some tricks to maximize connectivity (see below), but tends to resume working correctly once you come back into range without having to do anything special.
- **Bluetooth tethering** is one good option; as soon as you walk out of wifi range, it can automatically bluetooth tether to your phone to get connectivity.
- Mifi is one good option, if you travel and are without wifi networks, as it will provide a network without draining your iPhone battery. Mifi systems typically use your cell phone data plan and needs cell data coverage (3g or 4g LTE).
- You can add ([here’s how](http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/While You Wait For Gear/monitoring-OpenAPS.html#accessing-your-rig-via-ssh)) your school or work or as many locations as you have as “known” wifi networks so your rig will automatically connect to the wifi in these places. You may want to contact the school before attempting to connect to their wifi network to see if you need any special accommodations in a 504 plan or IT department involvement to allow the rig to connect.
- OpenAPS will also default to always setting a temp basal (this can be turned off; [see description here](http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/While You Wait For Gear/preferences-and-safety-settings.html#skip-neutral-temps)), which means it’ll be easier to look down at the pump and see if a temp basal is active to know that the loop has been working recently.
- The existing SkyLoop watchface for Pebble watches works seamlessly with OpenAPS looping. No changes are needed if you plan to try OpenAPS or Loop.

Carbs

- Loop requires carb and absorption time inputs through the app AND you must bolus from the Loop app or Apple watch. Carbs can be read from the pump if they are entered by pump’s bolus wizard, but boluses cannot be read from the pump by Loop app.
- OpenAPS: no absorption time entries required for meals. You bolus directly from the pump (either easy bolus button, or using bolus wizard), and carhs can be entered via the pump or via Nightscout Care Portal (or via Pebble, Alexa, etc. if you set that up). Nightscout’s bolus calculator can also serve to calculate a meal bolus as it tracks IOB from temp basals set by OpenAPS (you need to keep your basal profile current for accurate IOB tracking).

Boluses and how OpenAPS gets pump history

- Loop users must bolus from Loop app or Apple watch. Loop tracks IOB through reservoir volume changes as the default, and will fallback to the pump’s event history in the event reservoir readings aren’t continuous.
- OpenAPS users bolus from the pump (either bolus wizard, or easy bolus button). OpenAPS will read the information about the bolus and other insulin activity based on the pump’s event history.
- The pros of this means you won’t have to do anything special for pump rewinds/primes/site changes. OpenAPS will also provide treatment notes on your Nightscout site showing pump events such as suspensions, bolus wizard changes, basal profile edits, and primes.
- The downside of this means you DO need to set a temp basal to 0 unit/hour before suspending, so OpenAPS will know that you didn’t get insulin during the time of suspend (i.e. for shower or taking off the pump to swim, etc.)
Multiple rigs

• Loop uses one RileyLink paired via bluetooth. Typically users keep their RileyLink fairly close to the pump (like using a pants pocket) to help maintain communications.

• If using a single OpenAPS Edison/explorer board rig, you should see significant range improvement compared to a RileyLink, and a phone does not need to be nearby (beyond whatever needed for your dexcom system).

• If you have multiple OpenAPS rigs, they’re built to be polite to each other - so even if you had 2+ rigs in same room, they won’t trip each other up. They “wait for silence” before issuing any commands to the pump. By setting up multiple stationary rigs through a house, kids can move from room-to-room without carrying rigs because the rigs will pass-off comms as the kid moves in and out of the rig’s range. Stationary rigs will not need lipo batteries and can be plugged directly into the wall from the explorer board.

Troubleshooting

• Loop - depending on environment and t1d’s habits, RileyLink may require retuning to get Loop running again (automatically scheduled to retune at 14 minute intervals, but sometimes manual tunes are required).

• OpenAPS - once setup and network connected, there is little required troubleshooting of rig. Most problems should self-resolve in <10 minutes, and if not a power button push usually solves the issue. Also, parents can login to rig remotely to troubleshoot, reboot, etc. (when using the same wifi network as the rig) using an iPhone app.
  – Is it looping? (Check on pump to see if temp basal has been set)
  – What do the logs say? (Check the OpenAPS logs and/or the OpenAPS pill; it will probably say why it is stuck)
  – Reboot the rig (either via logging in, or using the power button on the rig)
  – Make sure it’s connected to wifi
  – Make sure you’re in range of the rig; CGM data is flowing; etc.

42.9.7 Running multiple kinds of DIY systems

• You can run different DIY systems (like Loop and OpenAPS) side-by-side, if you want to compare algorithms and how they behave.

• For those who like Loop’s capabilities for bolusing from the phone, but don’t want the requirement to enter carb absorption rates by meal, you can set Loop to “open loop” mode and use it for bolusing, and otherwise allow OpenAPS to be the primary closed loop to take advantage of the Advanced Meal Assist (AMA) algorithm, autosensitivity to automatically adjust ISF, etc. However, see the following safety warnings below.

• SAFETY WARNING: If you choose to keep a Loop rig running alongside OpenAPS, you MUST turn off Loop’s ability to write to Nightscout. If you neglect to do this, Nightscout will display double entries of carbs and/or boluses and greatly confuse you in the future. To enter carbs, you can enter directly through Nightscout Care Portal; use the variety of IFTTT configurations to enter carbs to Nightscout via your Pebble watch, Alexa, Siri, etc.; or enter using the pump’s bolus wizard. Even if you’re just using the Loop app in open loop mode, and enter carbs or bolus from the pump bolus wizard for use in OpenAPS, you need to turn off Loop’s ability to write to Nightscout. If you don’t, Loop will read the boluses and carbs entered via the pump, upload them to Nightscout, and the duplicate entries will result in suboptimal post-meal decisions. You can either turn off Loop’s ability to write to Nightscout, or simply close the app, but reopening the app for even a few minutes may still cause it to double enter to Nightscout if uploads are not disabled. If you do not plan to actively use Loop and DO want to bolus from the pump (via bolus wizard or easy bolus button) with OpenAPS, you should either disable Loop’s Nightscout uploads, or plan to close the Loop app and not run them side-by-side.
• **Caution**: You may want to disable the Nightscout COB pill, especially if you are using multiple DIY closed loop systems, as it will likely cause confusion. You should look to the (DIY closed loop system you are using)'s pill for information about COB. This means looking in the OpenAPS or Loop pill for information about COB.

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**Ready to get started with OpenAPS?**

Click [here](http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/Understanding OpenAPS-Overview/communication-support-channels.html) to go to a high-level view of the OpenAPS docs

**Where to get help with OpenAPS setup and maintenance:**

- See [this page](http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/Understanding OpenAPS-Overview/communication-support-channels.html) for various places for OpenAPS support; the [intend-to-bolus Gitter channel](http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/Understanding OpenAPS-Overview/communication-support-channels.html) is the best place for real-time troubleshooting assistance!
  
  - Don’t hesitate to ask any question, any time. If it gets missed because there’s a lot of activity, feel free to ask again!

- You’ll probably also want to make sure and join the openaps-dev Google Group, where new features and tools are most commonly announced and shared via email, so you’ll know when there are new things available to try.

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**42.10 Setting Up Your Intel Edison - Flashing instructions for all computer types**

The Intel Edison system comes with a very limited Operating System. It’s best to replace this with a custom version of Debian, as this fits best with OpenAPS, and it also means you have the latest security and stability patches. (These setup instructions were pulled from the mmeowlink wiki; if you’re an advanced user and want/need to use Ubilinux instead of the recommended Jubilinux, go here.) The setup instructions also are going to assume you’re using the Explorer Board that has a built in radio stick. If you’re using any other base board and/or any other radio sticks (TI, ERF, Rileylink, etc.), check out the mmeowlink wiki for support of those hardware options.

**42.10.1 Helpful notes before you get started**

Your Explorer Board has 2 micro USB connectors, they both provide power. On the community developed Edison Explorer Board the port labeled OTG is for flashing, and the one labeled UART provides console login. You must connect both ports to your computer to complete the flash process.

You must use a DATA micro USB to USB cable. How do you know if your cable is for data? One good way is to plug the cable into your computer USB port and the explorer board OTG port. If your folder/window explorer shows Edison as a drive then the cable supports data.

The steps outlined below include instructions for the various build-platforms (Windows PC, Mac, and Raspberry Pi). Linux users in general should be able to follow the steps for the Raspberry Pi. If you’d prefer to follow directions specific to one platform you are using, you can use the Windows PC cheat sheet or the Mac OSX cheat sheet.

**42.10.2 Prerequisites**
If you're using a Raspberry Pi - prerequisites:

To flash the Edison using a Raspberry Pi, you’ll need a large (preferably 16GB+) SD card for your Pi. The Edison image is almost 2GB, so you’ll not only need space for the compressed and uncompressed image, but you’ll also need to enable a large swapfile on your Pi to fit the image into virtual memory while it is being flashed. Using an SD card as memory is very slow, so allow extra time to flash the Edison image using a Pi.

- Run `sudo bash -c 'echo CONF_SWAPSIZE=2000 > /etc/dphys-swapfile'` to configure a 2GB swap file. Note: if you don’t have enough space on the SD card for a 2G swap a 1G swap will probably work.
- Run `sudo /etc/init.d/dphys-swapfile stop` and then `sudo /etc/init.d/dphys-swapfile start` to enable the new swap file.
- If you installed watchdog on the pi, it’s a good idea to stop it since loading the image into memory to flash is intensive.

If you’re using a Windows PC - prerequisites:

- Install the Intel Edison drivers for Windows. Select the “Windows standalone driver” download. You do not need to reflash the Edison or setup security or Wi-Fi with this tool because later steps in this process will overwrite those settings.

Note: Intel has announced the Edison will be discontinued at the end of 2017. As part of this, apparently, the old link to Edison drivers has been removed. We are unsure if this is a temporary issue or long term. Therefore, if the link above for Intel Edison Drivers is not working, you can use this link to download them directly from an OpenAPS user’s dropbox. Obviously screenshots below will be different if Intel has not fixed or repaired their driver downloads page for Edisons.

- Install PuTTY. Download the installation file that matches your PC’s architecture (32-bit or 64-bit).

Windows PCs with less than 6 GB of RAM may need to have the size of the page file increased to flash the Edison. Close all unnecessary programs and attempt to flash the device. If the flash operation fails follow these steps to ensure enough swap space is allocated when the computer boots, then restart and try again. Only do this if flashing the device doesn’t work without changing these settings.

**Important:** Write down the settings in the Virtual Memory window before you make any changes to your system. When you finish the flash process you must return these settings to their original values or Windows may become unstable.

- Go to the Control Panel, click All Control Panel Items, then click System. At top left click the Remote Settings link.
- Select the Advanced tab in the System Properties window, then under Performance click Settings.
- On the Advanced tab click the Change... button to change the page size.
- In the Virtual Memory window uncheck “Automatically manage paging file size for all drives,” click “Custom size,” and set the initial size to at least 4096 MB. If you have already attempted this process at least once continue to increase this number by 1024 MB. Set the maximum size to 2048 MB higher than the initial size you used.
- Click the Set button, then click OK until all windows are closed.
- Reboot and attempt the flash process.
If you’re using a Mac to flash - prerequisites:

- Read, but only follow steps 3-5 of, these instructions first. When you get to step 6, you’ll need to cd into the jubilinux directory (see how to create it in the Jubilinux section below if you don’t already have it) instead of the Intel image one, and continue with the directions below.
- Check also to see if you have lsusb installed prior to proceeding. If not, follow the instructions here to add: https://github.com/jlhonora/homebrew-lsusb
- Read the Mac instructions for flashing too, but note that they are now a little older than this.

42.10.3 Downloading image

Jubilinux

Jubilinux “is an update to the stock ubilinux edison distribution to make it more useful as a server, most significantly by upgrading from wheezy to jessie.” That means we can skip many of the time-consuming upgrade steps that are required when starting from ubilinux.

- Download Jubilinux - the jubilinux-v0.3.0.zip is known to work; jubilinux 0.2.0 runs Debian jessie, which is NOT supported by Debian any longer
- In download folder, right-click on file and extract (or use `unzip jubilinux.zip` from the command line) You will access this directory from a command prompt in the next step. It is a good idea to create the Jubilinux in your root directory to make this easier to access.
- Open a terminal window and navigate to the extracted folder: `cd jubilinux`. If using Windows OS use the command prompt (cmd). This is your “flash window”, keep it open for later.

For Windows OS:

You will need an additional utility prior to flashing from Windows.
Download [DFU-Util](https://cdn.sparkfun.com/assets/learn_tutorials/3/3/4/dfu-util-0.8-binaries.tar.xz).
Extract the two files, libusb-1.0.dll and dfu-util.exe, to the directory where you extracted jubilinux.zip.
(you can also extract all files to a separate folder and then copy the files to the jubilinux directory)

42.10.4 Connecting cables and starting console

- Connect a USB cable (one that carries data, not just power) to the USB console port. On the Explorer board or Sparkfun base block, this is the port labeled UART. On the Intel mini breakout board, this is the USB port that is labeled P6 (should be the USB closest to the JST battery connector). Plug the other end into the computer (or Pi) you want to use to connect to console.
- Plug another USB cable (one that carries data, not just power) into the USB port labeled OTG on the Explorer board or Sparkfun base block, or the port that is almost in the on the bottom right (if reading the Intel logo) if setting up with the Intel mini breakout board. Plug the other end into the computer (or Pi) you want to flash from.

If you’re using a Raspberry Pi for console:

- Open a terminal window and type `sudo screen /dev/ttyUSB0 115200` or similar. If you do not have screen installed you can install with `sudo apt-get install screen`. 
If you’re using a Windows PC for console:

- Go to Control Panel\All Control Panel Items\Device Manager\Ports\ and look for USB Serial Port COMXX. If you have multiple and unsure of which is the port you need: Make note of existing ports. Unplug the cable from the Explorer board. Notice which port disappears: this is the port you are looking for.
- Open PuTTY, change from SSH to Serial. It normally defaults to COM1 and speed of 9600. Change the COM number to the number you found when you plugged into the Explorer board. Change the speed (baud rate) to 115200.
- Once you’ve made those changes, Click on OPEN at the bottom of your Putty configuration window.
- Continue with the All platforms section below.

If you’re using a Mac for console:

- Open a terminal window and type `sudo screen /dev/tty.usbserial-* 115200` If necessary, replace the ‘*’ with your Edison UART serial number, obtained using lsusb.

All platforms:

- Once the screen comes up, press enter a few times to wake things up. This will give you a “console” view of what is happening on your Edison.
- Now you will see a login prompt for the edison on the console screen. Login using the username “root” (all lowercase) and no password. This will have us ready to reboot from the command line when we are ready.
- Note! If you do not have your edison password at this point don’t panic. We are only logging in to reboot the edison and that can be accomplished via the black button on the explorer board as well. Without the root password you may continue.
- Don’t resize your console window: it will likely mess up your terminal’s line wrapping. (Once you get wifi working and connect with SSH you can resize safely.)

42.10.5 Flashing image onto the Edison

If you’re using a Raspberry Pi - starting flash:

- In the “flash window” from the Download Image instructions above, run `sudo ./flashall.sh`. If you receive an dfu-util: command not found error, you can install dfu-util by running `sudo apt-get install dfu-util`

If you’re using a Mac - starting flash:

- In the “flash window” from the Download Image instructions above, run `./flashall.sh`.
  - If you receive an dfu-util: command not found error, you can install dfu-util by following the Mac instructions here.
  - If you receive an Error: Running Homebrew as root is extremely dangerous and no longer supported. As Homebrew does not drop privileges on installation you would be giving all build scripts full access to your system. see the troubleshooting section below.
If you’re using a Windows PC - starting flash:

- In the “flash window” from the Download Image instructions above, run `flashall.bat`

All platforms:

- The `flashall` script will ask you to reboot the Edison.
- If you have your Edison root password: Go back to your console window and type `reboot`.
- If you do not have your Edison root password: Press the black button on the explorer board until the LED between the USB connectors shuts off. Then press it again until the light comes back on.
- Switch back to the other window and you will see the flash process begin. You can monitor both the flash and console windows throughout the rest of the flash process. If nothing else works and you are feeling brave, you can try pulling the Edison out and reconnecting it to the board to start the flash process.
- It will take about 10 minutes to flash from Mac or Windows. If the step that `flashall` says should take up to 10 minutes completes in seconds, then the flash did not complete successfully, perhaps because you didn’t set up the virtual memory / swap settings correctly. If you’re using a Raspberry Pi, it may take up to 45 minutes, and for the first 10-15 minutes it may appear like nothing is happening, but eventually you will start to see a progress bar in the console.
- After flashing is complete and the Edison begins rebooting, watch the console: you may get asked to type `control-D` to continue after one or more reboots. If so, press `Ctrl-d` to allow it to continue.
- After several more reboots (just about when you’ll start to get concerned that it is stuck in a loop), you should get a login prompt. If so, congratulations! Your Edison is flashed. The default password is `edison`.

If you have any difficulty with flashing, skip down to Troubleshooting

Hooray! After you’ve flashed your Edison, head back to the main install instructions for wifi and dependencies to use the easy automated scripts. (Below are manual install instructions).

### 42.10.6 Initial Edison Setup

Log in as root/edison via serial console.

Type/edit the following:

```
myedisonhostname=<thehostname-you-want>  #Do not type the <>
```

And then paste the following to rename your Edison accordingly:

```
echo $myedisonhostname > /etc/hostname
sed -r -i'' "s/localhost( jubilinux)?$/localhost $myedisonhostname/" /etc/hosts
```

Run these commands to set secure passwords. It will ask you to enter your new password for each user 2 times. Type the password in the same both times. To use SSH (which you will need to do shortly) this password needs to be at least 8 characters long. Do not use a dictionary word or other easy-to-guess word/phrase as the basis for your passwords. Do not reuse passwords you’ve already used elsewhere.

```
passwd root
passwd edison
```
42.10.7 Set up Wifi:

vi /etc/network/interfaces
Type ‘i’ to get into INSERT mode

- Uncomment ‘auto wlan0’ (remove the # at the beginning of the line)
- Edit the next two lines to read:

```
auto wlan0
iface wlan0 inet dhcp
   wpa-conf /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf
```

Comment out or delete the wpa-ssid and wpa-psk lines.
After editing, your file should look like:

```
# interfaces(5) file used by ifup(8) and ifdown(8)
auto lo
iface lo inet loopback

auto usb0
iface usb0 inet static
   address 192.168.2.15
   netmask 255.255.255.0

auto wlan0
iface wlan0 inet dhcp
   wpa-conf /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf
```

Press Esc and then type ‘:wq’ and press Enter to write the file and quit
vi /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf
Type ‘i’ to get into INSERT mode and add the following to the end, once for each network you want to add. Be sure to include the quotes around the network name and password.

```
network={
   ssid="my network"
   psk="my wifi password"
}
```

If you want to add open networks to your list, then add:

```
network={
   key_mgmt=NONE
   priority=-999
}
```

If you have a hidden wifi network add the line scan_ssid=1.

Some wifi networks require you to accept a terms and conditions prior to allowing access. For example, Starbucks coffee shops and many hotels. These networks are termed “captive” networks and connecting your rig to them is currently not an option.

Other wifi networks may require you to enter a login name and password at an initial screen before allowing access (such as many school district wifi networks). Some users have success in using the following wpa network settings for those types of networks:
network={
    scan_ssid=1
    ssid="network name"
    password="wifi password"
    identity="wifi username"
    key_mgmt=WPA-EAP
    pairwise=CCMP TKIP
    group=CCMP TKIP WEP104 WEP40
    eap=TTLS PEAP TLS
    priority=1
}

Press Esc and then type ‘:wq’ and press Enter to write the file and quit

reboot to apply the wifi changes and (hopefully) get online

After rebooting, log back in and type `iwgetid -r` to make sure you successfully connected to wifi. It should print out your network name.

Run `ifconfig wlan0` to determine the IP address of the wireless interface, in case you need it to SSH below.

Leave the serial window open in case you can’t get in via SSH and need to fix your wifi config.

If you need more details on setting up `wpa_supplicant.conf`, see one of these guides:

- [http://www.geeked.info/raspberry-pi-add-multiple-wifi-access-points/](http://www.geeked.info/raspberry-pi-add-multiple-wifi-access-points/)

### 42.10.8 Install packages, ssh keys, and other settings

From a new terminal or PuTTY window, `ssh root@myedisonhostname.local`. If you can’t connect via `youredisonhostname.local` (for example, on a Windows PC without iTunes), you can instead connect directly to the IP address you found with `ifconfig` above.

Log in as root (with the password you just set above), and run:

```bash
dpkg -P nodejs nodejs-dev
apt-get update && apt-get -y dist-upgrade && apt-get -y autoremove
apt-get install -y sudo strace tcpdump screen acpid vim python-pip locate
```

And:

```bash
adduser edison sudo
dduser edison dialout
dpkg-reconfigure tzdata    # Set local time-zone
    Use arrow button to choose zone then arrow to the right to make cursor highlight ←<OK> then hit ENTER
```

Edit (with `nano` or `vi`) `/etc/logrotate.conf` and change the log rotation to daily from `weekly` and enable log compression by removing the hash on the `#compress` line, to reduce the probability of running out of disk space.

If you’re *not* using the Explorer board and want to run everything as `edison` instead of `root`, log out and log back in as `edison` (with the password you just set above). (If you’re using an Explorer board you’ll need to stay logged in as `root` and run everything that follows as root for `libmraa` to work right.)
If you have an ssh key and want to be able to log into your Edison without a password, copy your ssh key to the Edison (directions you can adapt are here). For Windows/Putty users, you can use these instructions: https://www.howtoforge.com/ssh_key_based_logins_putty.

If you’re not using the Explorer board, are running as the edison users, and want to be able to run sudo without typing a password, run:

```
$ su -
$ visudo
```

and add to the end of the file:

```
edison ALL=(ALL) NOPASSWD: ALL
```

You have now installed the operating system on your Edison! You can now proceed to the next step of adding yourself to [Loops in Progress](https://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/While You Wait For Gear/loops-in-progress.html)

### 42.10.9 Troubleshooting

#### Troubleshooting the flash process

a) If you get:

```
dfu-util: Device has DFU interface, but has no DFU functional descriptor
dfu-util: Cannot open DFU device 8087:0a99
```

that likely means you ran ./flashall.sh without sudo.

b) If you get:

```
Flashing rootfs, (it can take up to 10 minutes... Please be patient)
dfu-util -v -d 8087:0a99 --alt rootfs -D /home/pi/toFlash/edison-image-edison.ext4 -R...
˓
Rebooting
U-boot & Kernel System Flash Success...
```

in something closer to 10 seconds than 10 minutes, then you likely didn’t set up swap properly. To verify, cat flash.log and look for dfu-util: Cannot allocate memory of size 1610612736 bytes near the end. Alternatively, this newer version of DFU Util (DFU Util v0.9) seems to work better on computers with lots of RAM.

c) If you receive an Error: Running Homebrew as root is extremely dangerous and no longer supported. As Homebrew does not drop privileges on installation you would be giving all build scripts full access to your system. It means that you have a recent copy of homebrew (that’s good) which doesn’t allow sudo to even do a brew list.

- The easiest - but perhaps not so forward compatible - thing is to figure out what the brew command was trying to do and edit the flashall.sh script accordingly. ** The v0.2.0 version of flashapp.sh has $(brew list gnu-getopt | grep bin/getopt). ** Running brew list gnu-getopt | grep bin/getopt for me (Dec 2017) gave me /usr/local/Cellar/gnu-getopt/1.1.6/bin/getopt

- Edit the flashall.sh from

```
GETOPTS="$(which getopt)"
if [[ "$OSTYPE" == "darwin"* ]]; then READLINK=greadlink; GETOPTS="$(brew list gnu-getopt | grep bin/getopt)"; else READLINK=readlink;fi
```

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d) If you have a failed flash or have problems with the reboot, try starting the console and hitting enter a bunch of times while connecting to stop autoboot. You’ll then be at a boot> prompt. Run `sudo ./flashall.sh` and when it asks you to reboot type and enter `run do_flash` at the boot> prompt.

e) If you get stuck on an error that says “Ready to receive application” on the Edison the problem is you don’t have enough power to properly boot up the Edison. This can happen if you are powering from your Pi. You should either connect a battery to the Edison board to give it a little boost, or use a powered USB hub between the Pi and the Edison.

f) If Edison reboots correctly but never gets picked up by the flashall.sh script and the flashing process does not start, check that you have DATA micro USB to USB cables - both of them. A large proportion of USB cables are not “data” - just power - and even cables previously used for data can degrade to no longer reliably carry data. How do you know if each cable is for data? One good way is to unplug both cables from the Edison, plug each cable in turn into your computer USB port and the explorer board OTG port. If your folder/window explorer shows Edison as a drive then the cable supports data. You need both to be data cables.

g) If Edison reboots correctly but never gets picked up by the flashall.sh script and the flashing process does not start, and you’ve re-confirmed that the two cables you are using are indeed good data cables, check the Edison device ID. It will probably come out automatically after the flashall.sh script fails with a list of available devices connected to the machine. On Linux, you can run `lsusb` to get a list of usb devices with their device ID. If the device ID is different from the one expected on flashall.sh, you can edit the script and change lines containing: `USB_VID=8087 & USB_PID=0a99` to whatever the Edison has for an ID. Some users have encountered their devices ID to be `8087:0a9e`

h) If you have attempted the firmware flash with Jubilinux several times and the flash will not complete successfully, it is highly recommended that you follow the mmeowlink deprecated Ubilinux instructions. Note that those instructions will have notes throughout for steps which are specific to the flash of Ubilinux. Additional steps help to align the Edison’s operating system with Jubilinux. You must do these steps.

If you’re having issues with a `Windows` flash of Jubilinux, try following along with the videos below. OpenAPS users have cited their instructions in successful flashes of Ubilinux. You will still need to go through the extra Ubilinux configuration steps mentioned in the linked mmeowlink wiki above.

1. Flash Ubilinux Onto Intel Edison via Windows, 5 Part Video (Cygwin)
2. uCast #21: Installing Ubilinux on the Edison (Windows) (Windows Command Prompt)

i) If none of the above has worked with the Explorer board, try swapping the two microUSB cables, or replacing them with new ones. See “f)” above too.

j) If you’ve attempted all of the troubleshooting steps above but still aren’t successful, it’s worth trying to use a different computer to flash.

**Troubleshooting rescue mode**

- If your Edison boots to a console and says it is in rescue mode (you can hit ctrl-d to continue or enter the root password), you may need to change a u-boot environment variable to make it boot normally. During the boot process you will see:
1. Hit any key to drop to a prompt and type: `printenv bootargs_target`

2. If the answer is `bootargs_target=first-install` type: `setenv bootargs_target multi-usersaveenv`

3. And to exit that firmware u-boot prompt: `run do_boot`
   - If this doesn’t fix the problem, and your boot gets stuck here:

   ```
   Starting Rescue Shell...
   [ OK ] Started Rescue Shell.
   [ OK ] Reached target Rescue Mode.
   ```

   You may have an issue with the flashall.sh script. (This seems to only impact mac users). In the “flash window” terminal where you downloaded Jubilinux
   
   1. Edit the flashall script `nano flashall.sh`

   2. Find the following text (around line 220) Your text may vary slightly, with additional echo statements or such

   ```
   echo "Flashing U-Boot Environment Backup and rebooting to apply partition changes" 
   flash-command --alt u-boot-env1 -D "$VARIANT_FILE" -R 
   dfu-wait 
   ```

   1. Modify this line to remove the -R and the dfu-wait command

   ```
   echo "Flashing U-Boot Environment Backup and rebooting to apply partition changes" 
   flash-command --alt u-boot-env1 -D "$VARIANT_FILE"
   ```

   1. Reboot one last time - install should take a good deal longer than previous executions.

**Override DNS resolvers**

Some users have reported problems with connecting to internet sites. If you are experience poor internet connections, try “nano /etc/resolv.conf” and change the first two nameservers to:

```
nameserver 8.8.4.4
nameserver 8.8.8.8
```
Also see the instructions here to add these nameservers to your `/network/interfaces` file as the `resolv.conf` file is likely to be overwritten.

Alternatively, add the nameservers you want to see in `resolv.conf` to `/etc/resolvconf/resolv.conf.d/tail` and they’ll be automatically added to `resolv.conf`. (You may need to create the folder by running this command first: `mkdir -p /etc/resolvconf/resolv.conf.d`)

### IP address conflicts (able to ping external but not LAN addresses)

Some users have reported problems where the local router uses the same IP block as that of `usb0` config. The default configuration for `usb0` in `/etc/network/interfaces` uses 192.168.2.15, so if your local router also uses 192.168.2.xx you may not be able to properly connect to your Edison using SSH, and external connectivity may intermittently fail.

To check which IP address your router is using, you can run `ipconfig` on Windows or `ifconfig` on Mac/Linux. If you’re getting an address starting with 192.168.2.x, you’ll want to edit your Edison’s configuration to use a different subnet for `usb0`:

Use `vi /etc/network/interfaces` to edit the static `usb0` interface address from 192.168.2.15 to another valid private IP, like 192.168.29.29. The resulting config should look like:

```
# interfaces(5) file used by ifup(8) and ifdown(8)
auto lo
iface lo inet loopback

auto usb0
iface usb0 inet static
  address 192.168.29.29
  netmask 255.255.255.0

auto wlan0
iface wlan0 inet dhcp
  wpa-conf /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf
```

Once that looks correct, save the file and `reboot` your rig for the changes to take effect.

### Interrupting Kernel Messages in Console/Screen Mode

**Fix for individual console/screen session:**

Type this at the prompt: `dmesg -D`

**Permanent solution:**

`vi /etc/rc.local` press i for insert mode

add this line: `sudo dmesg -n 1`

(remember to save and exit the vi editor by using esc and then :wq)

### 42.11 Setting up Edison/Explorer Board on a Mac

(This is a separate workflow for Mac only. Please refer to the all-computer flashing instructions as well for troubleshooting & full instructions for other computer setup processes.)
42.11.1 Hardware Assumptions for this page

1. Using an Explorer board and Edison
2. Using an Apple computer (with either USB-A or USB-C ports)
3. Using a looping-compatible Medtronic pump. See all compatible pumps.

42.11.2 High Level Recommended Rig parts list

a) Explorer Board - link

b) Edison - link. (Intel has discontinued the Edison, and the link is mostly so you can look at what the chip looks like. You can still find Edison chips on EBay. They are often sold as a part of a kit (e.g. Arduino), check with the seller to confirm that the chip is included. (~$30-$50 is a typical price for a new-in-box Edison chip, usually more for a kit. Since it’s EBay, you will see them occasionally offered for much more, or much less.

c) Nuts and Bolts Enhanced Radio Devices shipped their Explorer boards with suitable nuts and screws, and plastic spacers in early 2019. My first explorer board did not come with usable nuts and screws, and I had trouble locating suitable spacers. An easy workaround: Once you have two suitable matching sets of screws and nuts (M2, or slightly smaller), you can fashion spacers from a thin tube, e.g. a drinking straw that you cut to a length to snugly fit between the board and the Edison chip.

d) At least one Lithium Battery Larger capacity batteries allow longer runtime before needing to be recharged. The cylindrical batteries hold up better if you carry the rig in a soft case than the flat ones. Most 3-D-printed cases only work with specific battery sizes.

- 2500mAh battery - link
- 2000mAh battery - link
- 2200mAh Lithium Ion Cylindrical Battery - link
- 4400mAh Lithium Ion Battery Pack - link

e)* USB cables You may already have workable USB cables; you need two cables that are long enough to connect the rig to the computer to complete this process. “Bad” cables can cause problems during flashing; when in doubt, get a couple of new USB cables.

Example USB-A to Micro USB cables:

- 3 ft long cable, USB A - Micro USB - link
- 6 inch long cable, USB A - Micro USB - link

Example USB-C to Micro USB cables:

- 1 ft long cable, USB C - Micro USB - link

42.11.3 Getting Physical: Build your rig/put the physical pieces together

The Explorer board is where all the communications are housed for the rig, as well as the battery charger. The Edison is the mini-computer where all the OpenAPS code will be sent and used. In order for this to work, first you have to screw and connect the Edison and Explorer Board together with nuts and bolts.

The nuts and bolts are tiny, and the spaces are a little tight. I find it really helps to use a set of tweezers and a small Phillips head screwdriver. The Edison board should not wobble, and be securely seated when you are done.
This is a bit challenging to do the first few times - everything is small, you don’t want to damage the chip or the board, or lose the spacers, nuts and screws.

I generally start by looking at the board and chip, to locate where the chip will be seated on the board.

Then I place the two spacers between the board and the Edison chip where the holes for the screws are, holding the spacers in that area while seating the chip carefully. The spacers should fit tightly, but can’t be too long, as that would prevent the chip from clicking into its seat once everything’s aligned. Then I arrange the spacers so they don’t cover the screw holes. Typically this is the time I can fully seat the Edison, and it clicks into place when it’s fully seated. Only then I install the screws, and nuts. I find it helpful to hold each nut by pressing it against the board with one finger while turning the screwdriver. I re-check the seating of the chip before moving on to the next step. It must be firmly seated.

Did you notice a click when it settled into its place? Good job!

You’ll probably drop a nut or spacer at some point during this step. Working at a table can save you lengthy searches for tiny dropped parts. Use a small screwdriver that fits your screws to tighten them - not too tight - on the nuts. You can find tiny screwdrivers in “eye glass repair kits”, or at electronic stores, hardware stores, etc.

**Attach your battery into the explorer board plug.**

A single red light should appear and stay lit. Note: You *can* flash the chip and install the software without a battery attached. However, a battery reduces the risk of having problems from power glitches during the flashing and installation process (Example: Corrupted Jubilinux installations, frequent rebooting.) #Practice Safe Flashing - Flash with Battery Attached!#

During the course of your OpenAPS rig use, it’s good practice to periodically check that the nuts and screws stay tightened. If they come loose, the Edison can wobble off the connection to the Explorer board and you will either get looping failures (if it’s loose) or be unable to connect to the Edison (if it comes completely off).
42.11.4 Software-build your rig

This is a three-step process:

1. Preparing the Edison (aka flashing the Edison)
2. Installing the “looping” code (aka setup script for oref0)
3. Personalizing your settings (“setting your preferences”)

1. Preparing/flashing the Edison/reflashing the Edison

The Edison comes with an operating system that doesn’t work easily with OpenAPS. The first step is to replace the operating system with a new one. This is called “flashing” the Edison.

Let’s start by downloading the updated operating system (it’s called Jubilinux) to your computer so that we can install it later onto the Edison. Go to Safari and download Jubilinux (jubilinux 0.3.0 is the only fully supported version; jubilinux 0.2.0 runs Debian jessie, which is NOT supported by Debian any longer).

Now we move to the Edison. You’ll see two Micro USB ports on your explorer board. One is labeled OTG (that’s for flashing) and one is labeled UART (that’s for logging into the Edison from a computer). We will need to use both to flash. We’re going to connect both of those to our computer’s USB ports using USB-cables that are appropriate for your computer (USB-A to Micro USB for most computers, USB-C to Micro USB for newer MacBooks).

Plug in the battery, if you have not done that yet.
Note: It’s strongly recommended to connect all USB cables directly to the computer. This means, do not use a hub (e.g. a USB-C to USB-A hub), and do not use adapters). If you use hubs or adapters, you increase the risk to run into problems during flashing that can prevent you from getting the rig ready to loop. Use USB-C to Micro USB cables for the newer MacBooks instead of hubs or adapters. If you do run into problems during flashing and installation, tiny power glitches or connection issues might be the cause. When this happens, try new cables, and remember to keep a battery attached to the rig during flashing.

Once you plug in the cables, you should see your Edison board in your Finder as a connected “device” (similar to what you would see if you plug in a USB thumb drive). If you don’t… try different cables. If your USB port is bad and not recognizing the device, you may need to reset your SMC first (it’s not hard to do, takes 2 minutes.)

The OpenAPS uses Terminal, kind of like Loop uses Xcode. It’s our interaction with the code that forms the basis of
the loop. You may have never even used the Terminal app. Go to your Applications folder and find the Terminal App in the Utilities folder. Double click to open it.

Terminal app is an ugly, plain interface . . . but it does what we need to do, communicate with the Edison. Basically, the Edison is a computer that lacks a keyboard and display. By using a cable connected to the rig, we can login to the Edison and use Terminal as a way of interacting with the Edison.

When you first launch Terminal, you will probably see something rather plain like below. The important thing to know is that the Terminal helps show you WHERE you are in your computer or Edison. So, in the screenshot below, it’s telling me I am in my “iMac4K” user account. If you are ever a little confused where you are…you can look to the left of the $ prompt and get an idea.

If you’re like me, you don’t “speak linux” (or python or java or…) nor do you really know what linux is. So, you’ll be comforted to know that most of this setup is copy and paste commands into Terminal. You won’t need to suddenly learn linux…just will need to follow directions and be willing learn some basics.

IMPORTANT NOTE: STEPS 1-10 will be updated periodically, and also will likely be out of date. Since this is just a cheat sheet for Mac users, it may not have all the troubleshooting tips or updated info that the main OpenAPS docs have. If you get stuck and this guide’s set of instructions do not work at the moment, the place to look is the OpenAPS Walkthrough Phase 0, Setting up your Intel Edison for the full information on this part of the OpenAPS setup.

The next steps will be done in the Terminal app. If you see red colored text/code lines in a box, that’s what you want to copy and paste into Terminal, and then press enter. Don’t try typing it…you’ll likely miss a space or add a typo.
So, let’s start...

1-1. Install homebrew

```bash
ruby -e "$(curl -fsSL https://raw.githubusercontent.com/Homebrew/install/master/install)"
```

You will be prompted to enter “RETURN” to continue and then enter your passcode for the user account (your computer password). When you type the password, you will not see any letters appear in the Terminal screen...that is normal. Terminal does not show keystrokes for passwords.

It will take about 1-2 minutes for Homebrew to install. You’ll see a bunch of commands scrolling by in Terminal window. Just wait it out until you see the screen showing Installation successful and you’ll be returned to the $ Terminal prompt.
1-2. Install a bunch of other stuff (dfu-util, coreutils, gnu-getopt)

```
brew install dfu-util coreutils gnu-getopt
```

- If you are reflashing an Edison, it might suggest upgrading coreutils, in which case, run `brew upgrade coreutils gnu-getopt`
1-3. Install lsusb

`brew update && brew tap jlhonora/lsusb && brew install lsusb`
1-4. Start Edison in screen mode

```bash
sudo screen /dev/tty.usbserial-* 115200
```

You’ll most likely be asked for your computer password again. Enter it. A blank screen will likely come up, then press enter to wake things up to show an Edison login prompt. Login with username “root” (no quotes) and no password will be needed. Leave this window alone for a bit as we proceed with next steps.
If you have a problem getting to the Edison login prompt, and possibly get a warning like “can’t find a PTY”, close that terminal window. Then unplug the usb cables from your computer (not from the Edison...leave those ones as is) and swap the USB ports they were plugged in. Open a new terminal window, use the `sudo screen /dev/tty.usbserial-* 115200` command again. Usually just changing the USB ports for the cables will fix that “can’t find a PTY” error.

1-5. Flash the Edison

- Open a new Terminal Window (leave the existing one from that last screenshot open...we need a second window) by selecting command-N or using menu bar Shell>New Window>New Window with Settings-Basic.
- In the new window, enter `cd ~/Downloads/jubilinux` This will change your directory.
- Enter `./flashall.sh`
- You’ll get a prompt that asks you to “plug and reboot” the Edison board. You’re done with this screen for now. Just leave it alone (do not close window) and go to next step.
1-6. Return to the other Terminal Window that we left off of in Step 4.

- Is the battery attached? No? Go get it and plug it in now.
- **Enter** `reboot`

1-7. **Now we wait and watch.**

You may see a message notification that the Edison “Disk Not Ejected Properly”. Don’t worry...it is rebooting. You will see some processes going on in the background.
Hit any key to stop autoboot: 0
Target: blank
Partitioning using GPT
Writing GPT: success!
Saving Environment to MMC...
Writing to redundant MMC(0)... done
Flashing already done...
GADGET DRIVER: usb_dnl_dfu
#
DFU complete CRC32: 0x77ccc805
DOWNLOAD ... OK
Ctrl+C to exit ...

in the terminal window where you typed `reboot`, and

Using U-Boot target: edison-blankcdc
Now waiting for dfu device 8087:0a99
Please plug and reboot the board
Flashing IFWI
Download [==========================================] 100% 4194304 bytes
Download [==========================================] 100% 4194304 bytes
Flashing U-Boot
Download [==========================================] 100% 245760 bytes
Flashing U-Boot Environment
Download [==========================================] 100% 65536 bytes
Flashing U-Boot Environment Backup
Download [==========================================] 100% 65536 bytes
Rebooting to apply partition changes
Now waiting for dfu device 8087:0a99
Flashing boot partition (kernel)
Download [==========================================] 100% 5980160 bytes
Flashing rootfs, (it can take up to 10 minutes... Please be patient)

in the terminal window where you ran `./flashall.sh`. As it says, this should take about 10 minutes. It may appear like nothing is happening for awhile, but wait it out. If it didn’t take long at all...chances are that the flash didn’t really work, in which case you should read through the [full docs] and try again, and/or check out the Troubleshooting section at the bottom.

OLDER JUBILINUX VERSIONS: After flashing is complete, watch the window as you should get asked to type `control-D to continue`. If so, go ahead and press (don’t type that out, just press the keys) control-D to keep going.
NEWER JUBLINUX VERSIONS (0.1.0 and later): You probably won’t get asked to Control-D and that is fine.

After one of the reboots, you’ll probably see:

```bash
[** ] A start job is running for /etc/rc.local Compatibility...1s / no limit)
```

for a few minutes: that’s fine. You can also expect to see an ugly red:

```
[FAILED] Failed to start Hostname Service.
```

That is also fine, and you can ignore it too.

Eventually, you should get a ubilinux login prompt (If you see Yocto instead of ubliniux, then you need to go back to Steps 1-4 and start the flash process over again. Or if you are reflashing and your old rig name appears, then the reflashing did not work. Go back to Steps 1-4.)
Use login `root` and password `edison` to login to your newly flashed Edison. After logging in, you will notice that the Terminal prompt says `root@ubilinux:~#`. This is the correct prompt for the jubilinux system. You will not see jubilinux in the prompt. If you bought a pre-flashed Edison, this is how your initial Terminal prompt will look.
CONGRATULATIONS! You just flashed the edison! Wahoo! Now, head back to the install instructions for the easy bootstrap script process of setting up wifi. (Below has the manual instructions, but most people prefer the quick bootstrap script option).

1-8. Wifi for Edison

Now that you’ve finished flashing, the Edison is going to need a couple things to finish setting it up: Hostname/passwords and Multiple WiFi networks

Hostname and password

- From that same screen we just left off, enter these commands to rename your Edison’s hostname.

```
myedisonhostname=<thehostname-you-want>  #—But replace the <> section with your chosen hostname. I used “edisonhost” as the name, as shown in screenshot below.
```

Then run each of these commands with no modifications, just copy and paste:

```
echo $myedisonhostname > /etc/hostname
```

```
sed -r -i"" "s/localhost ( jubilinux)?$/localhost $myedisonhostname/" /etc/hosts
```

Now your Edison has a new hostname. (note: screenshot below is a little different than you will see on your screen. You will see root@ubilinux)
IMPORTANT

- To change the password for your Edison to a more secure password than “edison”, enter `passwd root`
- Follow the commands to reset the password. Repeat for `passwd edison`
- SAVE PASSWORDS somewhere, you’ll want them.
1-9. Multiple wifi networks

A-1. Enter `vi /etc/network/interfaces`

A-2. A screen similar to the one below will appear. Type “i” to enter INSERT mode for editing on the file.
.. note:: **Helpful Tip for Insert Mode**

If you are new to INSERT MODE, realize that INSERT MODE inserts characters at the highlighted cursor (it does not overwrite the character showing beneath the cursor). And, the default is that the cursor will be at the top left of the screen to start, so you will need to use the arrow keys to move the cursor to the area where you want to start typing. If you freak out that you’ve made a change that you don’t want to commit...you can simply press the ESC key and then type (no quotes) ”:q!” to quit without saving any of your typing/changes.

If you experience any erratic behavior while using the screen editor, such as the cursor overwriting or deleting adjacent words when typing or even when using the cursor arrow keys, this may be due to incorrectly set Mac Terminal window settings. Try going to the “Shell” on the menu bar above and selecting “Show Inspector.” Ensure the Columns setting is set to “80” and the Rows setting is set to “25.”

**A-3.** Make the changes so they match the areas highlighted in yellow, above:

- uncomment (remove the #) from the auto wlan0 line
- add `wpa-conf /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf` right below the `iface wlan0` line.
- comment out (add #) to the `wpa-ssid` and `wpa-psk` lines as shown

**A-4.** Press ESC then type “:wq” (no quotes) and enter to write (save) and quit that screen. When you press ESC, you won’t initially see much different, but when you type ”:wq”, you will see the characters appear in the lower left of the screen.

**B-1.** Enter `vi /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf`

**B-2.** Type “i” to enter INSERT mode for editing on the file.

**B-3.** Add the following for each wifi network you’d like to add.
network=
   ssid="my network"
   psk="my wifi password"
}

The networks you enter here are the wifi networks that your rig will be able to use to stay connected to internet. Examples shown below. One is my home wifi, the other is my iphone’s personal hotspot.
• Note: If you don’t know your personal hotspot’s information, you can find it under your iPhone’s Settings, Personal Hotspot as shown in the screenshot.

• You should add your personal hotspot to the list of wifi networks as a backup if your BT-tethering to hotspot does not work. By toggling your hotspot off-on, it will generate a wifi-tether signal for approximately 90 seconds, so that your rig can find it and connect. Since wifi-tethers are similar to a regular wifi connection, your rig will not automatically hop off this connection when it gets to your home wifi network. You will need to remember to turn off your wifi-tether if you want your rig to connect back to your home wifi network. By contrast, a hotspot connection done by BT-tether does not require any toggling and your rig will connect/disconnect as it leaves/comes to a known wifi network in your wp_supplicant list.

• If you haven’t done it, a good idea is to update the name of your iPhone to remove any apostrophes. Apple’s default is to name iPhones with an apostrophe such as “Katie’s iPhone”. This can cause some problems for wifi connections sometimes. You can rename your iPhone by going into your iPhone’s Settings, General, About, and then Name.

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Some wifi networks require you to accept a terms and conditions prior to allowing access. For example, Starbucks coffee shops and many hotels. These networks are termed “captive” networks and connecting your rig to captive networks is currently not an option.

Other wifi networks may require you to enter a login name and password at an initial screen before allowing access (such as many school wifi networks). Some users have success in using the following wpa network settings for those types of networks:

```plaintext
network={
    scan_ssid=1
    ssid="network name"
    password="wifi password"
    identity="wifi username"
    key_mgmt=WPA-EAP
    pairwise=CCMP TKIP
    group=CCMP TKIP WEP104 WEP40
    eap=TTLS PEAP TLS
    priority=1
}
```

**B-4.** Press ESC then type “:wq” to write (save) and quit that screen when you have finished adding the wifi networks. You can always come back and add more networks as needed, using the same process.

**C** Run `ifup wlan0` to make sure you can connect to wifi. A successful connection should look similar (IP address numbers will be different than mine):

If you don’t see a message showing you are successfully connected, go back to the start of Step 1-9 and make sure that you don’t have any typos in those two files.
1-10. Installing packages, SSH keys, and other settings

ALRIGHTY...Your Edison is coming along. Now we are going to set aside the Edison “screen” terminal window (in case we can’t get in via ssh), reboot, and login using an “ssh” command from a new Terminal window.

- Type `reboot`
- Wait as many lines of action go by in the Terminal window...eventually you will get to a prompt that has your new edisonhost name login. We aren’t going to login right now. Just saving that window in case we need it later.
- Open a new Terminal window by pressing Command-N
- Login to your Edison by entering `ssh root@edisonhost.local` (changing edisonhost to the hostname you selected earlier above). If you see warnings about the authenticity of host can’t be established, you can say yes to continue and add the new edison to your known hosts list. This message typically appears when you’ve set-up multiple edisons on the same computer.
- Enter your password that you set earlier

```
Retina15 — ssh root@edisonpalmer.local — 80×24
Last login: Tue Mar 28 20:15:28 on ttys001
Retina15s-MacBook-Pro: ~ Retina15s $ ssh root@edisonpalmer.local
The authenticity of host 'edisonpalmer.local (192.168.1.36)' can't be established.
ECDSA key fingerprint is SHA256:LDpYPQvKEQ8ehtXcr5ASa0k/
Are you sure you want to continue connecting (yes/no)? yes
Warning: Permanently added 'edisonpalmer.local,192.168.1.36' (ECDSA) to the list of known hosts.
root@edisonpalmer.local's password: 
```

- Run `ping google.com` to make sure your rig is online. If your rig shows up as online successfully, you can enter control-c to exit the ping. A successful ping should look like the screen below.
• If you are reflashing an Edison, you might get a scary looking error about “WARNING: POSSIBLE DNS SPOOFING DECTECTED WARNING: REMOTE HOST IDENTIFICATION HAS CHANGED!” that is likely because you are attempting to login to a rig that has the same hostname as a previous rig that has been logged into on the computer. You can delete the history of known hosts for the rig by entering the commands cd .ssh
and then rm known_hosts. This will delete the log of known hosts on your computer. There’s no significant downside to removing the known_host log, except that you will need to answer yes to the key fingerprint additions again for the first time you login to old rigs again.

If the rig isn’t online, go back and check your /etc/network/interfaces and /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf files above: you probably either missed a step or made a typo. Usually you will see ping: unknown host
google.com if you are not connected to the internet, as shown below.

- Enter these three lines, one-at-a-time (the first line will run fast, and the second and third lines may take several minutes to complete)

```bash
dpkg -P nodejs nodejs-dev
```
apt-get update && apt-get -y dist-upgrade && apt-get -y autoremove
apt-get install -y sudo strace tcpdump screen acpid vim python-pip locate
Enter these three lines, one-at-a-time (the first two will be fast, the last line will take you to a screen for setting up your timezone. Screenshots are just for examples...in this case PST

```
adduser edison sudo
adduser edison dialout
dpkg-reconfigure tzdata # Set local time-zone
```
• Enter `vi /etc/logrotate.conf` then press “i” for INSERT mode, and make the following changes:

  • set the log rotation to daily from weekly
  • remove the # from the “#compress” line
  • Press ESC and then type “:wq” to save and quit
Congratulations you have successfully flashed your edison and configured some basic settings. Time to move onto OpenAPS install

2. Installing the looping script (openaps-setup.sh)

You’ll now want to move on to the rest of the install instructions.

3. Personalizing your settings

Remember to personalize your settings after you finish installing OpenAPS!

42.12 Setting up Edison/Explorer Board on Windows/PC

(This is testing a separate workflow for Windows only. Please refer to the main Edison setup guide as well for troubleshooting & full instructions for other computer setup processes.)

42.12.1 Hardware Assumptions for this page

1. Using an Explorer Board and Edison
2. Using an Windows computer
42.12.2 Preparing/flashing the Edison

We recommend buying an Edison that is preinstalled with jubilinux. If you did that, head back to the main install instructions to begin installing Wi-Fi and Dependencies.

If you didn’t buy your Edison with jubilinux preinstalled, it comes with an operating system, called Yocto, that doesn’t work easily with OpenAPS. The first step is to replace the operating system with a new one. This is called “flashing” the Edison. Both your Windows computer and the Edison board will need some work.

1-1 Prepare Windows Computer

- Install the Intel Edison drivers for Windows. Select the “Windows standalone driver” download. After it is done downloading, click on the downloaded file and it will execute installation. (this link no longer contains the ‘Windows standalone driver’, see the note below)

Note: Intel has announced the Edison will be discontinued at the end of 2017. As part of this, apparently, the old link to Edison drivers has been removed. We are unsure if this is a temporary issue or long term. Therefore, if the link above for Intel Edison Drivers is not working, you can use this link to download them directly from an OpenAPS user’s dropbox. Obviously screenshots below will be different if Intel has not fixed or repaired their driver downloads page for Edisons.
Set up your board using our guide.  

Installers

Download the latest configuration tool for your system to access the features in the current Intel® IoT Developer Kit release.

- Windows® 64 bit
- OS X®
- Linux®

Software

Drivers

Windows standalone driver 1.2.1 (8.97 MB, .exe)

Intel® Edison Module Firmware Software Release 3.5

Latest Yocto® Poky image
• Install PuTTY. PuTTY is the program you will normally use to login to your rig in the future from the computer. Creating a desktop shortcut for it is a good idea, since you will likely use it often. Download the installation file that matches your PC’s architecture (32-bit or 64-bit). If you are unsure, you can check your computer’s build and memory in the Control Panel. Example shown is for a 64-bit computer. If unsure, installing the 32-bit version won’t harm anything...it just might be a little slower to use PuTTY.
View basic information about your computer

Windows edition

Windows 7 Home Premium

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Service Pack 1

Get more features with a new edition of Windows 7

System:

Manufacturer: Dell
Model: Inspiron ONE2320
Rating: Windows Experience Index
Processor: Intel(R) Core(TM) i5-2400S CPU @ 2.50GHz

Installed memory (RAM): 6.00 GB

System type: 64-bit Operating System

Pen and Touch: Touch input available with 2 Touch Points

Dell support

Website: Online support

Computer name, domain, and workgroup settings

Computer name: sonny
Full computer name: sonny
Computer description: 

See also

Action Center
Windows Update
Performance Information and Tools
42.12. Setting up Edison/Explorer Board on Windows/PC

Download PuTTY: latest release (0.68)

This page contains download links for the latest released version of PuTTY. Currently this is 0.68, released on 2017-02-21.

When new releases come out, this page will update to contain the latest, so this is a good page to bookmark or link to. Alternatively, here is a permanent link to the 0.68 release.

Release versions of PuTTY are versions we think are reasonably likely to work well. However, they are often not the most up-to-date version of the code available. If you have a problem with this release, then it might be worth trying out the development snapshots, to see if the problem has already been fixed in those versions.

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Alternative binary files

The installer packages above will provide all of these (except PuTTYtel), but you can download them one by one if you prefer.

Open File - Security Warning

Do you want to run this file?

- **Name:** C:\Users\vito\Downloads\putty-64bit-0.68-installer.msi
- **Publisher:** Simon Tatham
- **Type:** Windows Installer Package
- **From:** C:\Users\vito\Downloads\putty-64bit-0.68-installer.msi

- [Always ask before opening this file](#)

While files from the Internet can be useful, this file type can potentially harm your computer. Only run software from publishers you trust. What's the risk?
Side Note regarding computers with less than 6 GB RAM

Windows PCs with less than 6 GB of RAM may need to have the size of the page file increased to flash the Edison. You can check your RAM as shown in the Control Panel picture above. If less than 6 GB is showing, then close all unnecessary programs and attempt to flash the device. If the flash operation fails follow these steps to ensure enough swap space is allocated when the computer boots, then restart and try again. Only do this if flashing the device doesn’t work without changing these settings.

**Important:** Write down the settings in the Virtual Memory window before you make any changes to your system. When you finish the flash process you must return these settings to their original values or Windows may become unstable.

- Go to the Control Panel, click All Control Panel Items, then click System. At top left click the Remote Settings link.
- Select the Advanced tab in the System Properties window, then under Performance click Settings.
- On the Advanced tab click the Change... button to change the page size.
- In the Virtual Memory window uncheck “Automatically manage paging file size for all drives,”
- Click “Custom size,” below
  - Set the initial size to 4096 MB
  - Set maximum size to 6144 MB (2048 MB larger than the initial size) (If you have already attempted this process at least once and the flashing still hasn’t worked, increase both size settings by 1024 MB and try again.)
- Click the Set button, then click OK until all windows are closed.
- Reboot and attempt the flash process.
Download jubilinux and dfu-util

- Download Jubilinux (jubilinux version 0.3.0 is the current version known to work; jubilinux 0.2.0 runs Debian jessie, which is NOT supported by Debian any longer). Jubilinux will download in a zipped format to your Downloads folder. Locate the folder in your Downloads and right-click the jubilinux.zip folder. Select extract all from the menu. Saving it to your root user directory is a good idea. Your root directory is the set of folders that exist under your User name in Windows. For example, the destination for saving jubilinux to your root directory would be C:\Users\yourusername\jubilinux

Note The extract all command comes standard for all Windows machines. However, in some instances, it may not be active for zipped files. If you do not see the extract all option in the right-click menu, right-click the zipped file, choose Properties at the bottom of the context menu. On the General tab, click on the button next to the “opens with” and change it to use Windows Explorer. Apply the change and select OK to save the change. You should now be able to right-click the jubilinux.zip file to extract all.

- Now we are going to download two files from DFU-UTIL: libusb-1.0.dll and dfu-util.exe. Click on those two links to download the files to your Downloads folder. Navigate to your Downloads folder and choose to “move” those folders to the jubilinux folder that you unzipped earlier. When you successfully move those two folders into the jubilinux folder, you should see files/folders inside the jubilinux folder like so:
1-2 Prepare Edison

Now we move to the Edison. You’ll see two microB USB ports on your explorer board. One is labeled OTG (that’s for flashing) and one is labeled UART (that’s for logging into the Edison from a computer). We will need to use both to flash. We’re going to plug both of those into our computer’s USB ports using the cables listed in the parts list (Dexcom’s charging cable will work too).
Once you plug in the cables, you should see your Edison board pop-up as a connected “device”. If you don’t... try different cables.

- Go to Control Panel\All Control Panel Items\Device Manager\Ports\ and look for USB Serial Port COMXX. If you have multiple and unsure of which is the port you need: Make note of existing ports. Unplug the cable from the Explorer Board. Notice which port disappears. this is the port you are looking for. If only one shows up, that is your Edison’s port.
• Open PuTTY, change from SSH to Serial. It normally defaults to COM1 and speed of 9600. Change the COM number to the number you found when you plugged into the Explorer Board. Change the speed (baud rate) to 115200.

• Once you’ve made those changes, Click on OPEN at the bottom of your Putty configuration window.
• Once the screen comes up, press enter a few times to wake things up. This will give you a “console” window of what is happening on your Edison. Move that window over to the right side of your screen without resizing it, if you can. (We are going to open another window later on the left side.)

• Now you will see a login prompt for the Edison on the console screen. Login using the username “root” (all lowercase) and no password. This will have us ready to enter the commands coming up in the next steps later.

• Now we are going to open a second window...a “flash” window...using a different program than PuTTY. Go to your Windows Start menu and search for a program called Command Prompt. Open Command Prompt and you should be given at a prompt for your User Root directory. Assuming you saved your jubilinux folder to your user root directory (as described above), enter `cd jubilinux` in the prompt and press return. If you saved it somewhere else, you will need to navigate to that location. Move that flash window to the left side of the screen.

Your screens should look like this:
1-3 Flash the Edison

- In your flash window on the left (command prompt window), enter `flashall.bat`
- You’ll get a prompt that asks you to “plug and reboot” the Edison board. You’re done with this screen for now. Just leave it alone (don’t close window) and go to next step.

- Return to the screen on the right (the PuTTY window) and enter `reboot`
You will see many, many messages go by on the screens (mostly on the right-side screen). If this fails see below for two workaround options.

After several reboots (don’t panic), you should get a ubilinux login prompt (If you see Yocto instead of ubilinux, then you need to go back to Step 1-2 and start the flash process over again). Use login root and password edison.

CONGRATULATIONS! You just flashed the Edison! Wahoo! Now, let’s keep going. Head back to the main install instructions for the easiest route of installing wifi, dependencies, and installing OpenAPS. (Below is manual instructions, but the main install instructions have an easier path to automate the below.)
Errors when flashing the rig

If the rig fails to flash correctly or you don’t have access to root to type the reboot command you have a couple of options providing you can connect to the rig via PuTTY:

Either:

- After running the `flashall.bat` command in the Windows command prompt window, you can hold down the little black power button on the underside of the rig next to the battery connector for 10 seconds, which will turn the rig off, and the centre light will go out. Pressing little black power button again for 10 seconds will restart the rig and the flash process will continue (the same as rebooting the rig via PuTTY).

Or: (this one is easier to do)

- Make sure you can talk to the rig via Putty via the USB cables via the UART port
- Unplug both USB cables from the rig (the Edison is unpowered), it might be easier to do this from your PC end of the USB cable
- Enter the `flashall.bat` command from the Windows command prompt window
- Immediately plug in the two USB cables to connect the rig to the PC

The Edison begins to boot and the PC recognizes the Edison board via the drivers that were loaded onto the PC. The Windows command window will show the progress of the flashall command. If this doesn’t work the first time, repeat. The flashall command seems to be able to incrementally correct loading issues if it is done over and over again. The Edison is loaded through the OTG port.

It’s really not necessary to have Putty up and running to reflash the Edison. However it is nice to see what is going on. The important part is to get the Edison connected quickly after the flashall command is entered. Once that is done you can restart Putty and see the flash process happening from both the Windows Command window and the Putty Terminal screen.

1-4 Hostname for Edison

Now that you’ve finished flashing, the Edison is going to need a couple things to finish setting it up; Hostname/passwords and Multiple WiFi networks

Hostname and password

- From that same screen we just left off , enter these three commands in succession
  ```bash
  myedisonhostname=<thehostname-you-want>  #—But replace the <> section with your chosen hostname.
  echo $myedisonhostname > /etc/hostname
  sed -r -i"s/localhost\( jubilinux\)?$/localhost $myedisonhostname/" /etc/hosts
  ```

**IMPORTANT**

- To change the password for your Edison to a more secure password than “edison”, enter `passwd root`
- Follow the commands to reset the password. Repeat for `passwd edison`
- SAVE PASSWORDS somewhere, you’ll want them.
1.5 Set up Wifi

Enter `vi /etc/network/interfaces`

Type “i” to enter INSERT mode for editing on the file.

HELPFUL TIP: If you are new to insert mode, realize that it inserts characters at the highlighted cursor (it does not overwrite the character showing beneath the cursor). And, the default is that the cursor will be at the top left of the screen to start, so you will need to use the arrow keys to move the cursor to the area where you want to start typing. If you freak out that you’ve made a change that you don’t want to commit...you can simply press the ESC key and then type (no quotes) “:q!” to quit without saving any of your typing/changes.

- Uncomment ‘auto wlan0’ (remove the # at the beginning of the line)
- Edit the next two lines to read:

```bash
auto wlan0
iface wlan0 inet dhcp
    wpa-conf /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf
```

Comment out or delete the wpa-ssid and wpa-psk lines.

After editing, your file should look like:

```bash
# interfaces(5) file used by ifup(8) and ifdown(8)
auto lo
iface lo inet loopback

auto usb0
iface usb0 inet static
    address 192.168.2.15
    netmask 255.255.255.0

auto wlan0
iface wlan0 inet dhcp
    wpa-conf /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf
```
Press Esc and then type ‘:wq’ and press Enter to write the file and quit

Enter vi /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf

Type ‘i’ to get into INSERT mode and add the following to the end, once for each network you want to add. Be sure to include the quotes around the network name and password.

```
network={
    ssid="my network"
    psk="my wifi password"
}
```

If you want to add open networks to your list, then add:

```
network=
    key_mgmt=NONE
    priority=-999
```

If you have a hidden wifi network add the line scan_ssid=1.

Some wifi networks require you to accept a terms and conditions prior to allowing access. For example, Starbucks coffee shops and many hotels. These networks are termed “captive” networks and connecting your rig to them is currently not an option.

Other wifi networks may require you to enter a login name and password at an initial screen before allowing access (such as many school district wifi networks). Some users have success in using the following wpa network settings for those types of networks:

```
network=
    scan_ssid=1
    ssid="network name"
```
Press Esc and then type ‘:wq’ and press Enter to write the file and quit.

1.6 Test internet connection

reboot to apply the wifi changes and (hopefully) get online

After rebooting, log back in and type `iwgetid -r` to make sure you successfully connected to wifi.

Run `ifconfig wlan0` to determine the IP address of the wireless interface, in case you need it to SSH below. Alternatively, if you know how to login to your router, you can also see the Edison’s IP address there.

Leave the serial window open in case you can’t get in via SSH and need to fix your wifi config.

If you need more details on setting up `wpa_supplicant.conf`, see one of these guides:

- http://www.geeked.info/raspberry-pi-add-multiple-wifi-access-points/
1.7 Install packages, ssh keys, and other settings

From a new terminal or PuTTY window, ssh myedisonhostname.local. If you can’t connect via myedisonhostname.local (for example, on a Windows PC without iTunes), you can instead connect directly to the IP address you found with ifconfig above.

Login as root (with the password you just set above), and run the following lines one by one. The first line “dpkg -P ...” will be quick. Check the printout to see that it ran without error. Then run the apt-get lines one at a time. They will take a long while.

```
dpkg -P nodejs nodejs-dev
apt-get update && apt-get -y dist-upgrade && apt-get -y autoremove
apt-get install -y sudo strace tcpdump screen acpid vim python-pip locate
```

And then run the next lines (first two will be quick, the last one will take you into a timezone selection menu. Run each line separately until finished)

```
adduser edison sudo
adduser edison dialout
dpkg-reconfigure tzdata
```

vi /etc/logrotate.conf and change the log rotation to daily from weekly and enable log compression by removing the hash on the #compress line, to reduce the probability of running out of disk space.

You have now installed the operating system and wifi networks on your Edison! You can move onto the next steps in building your OpenAPS rig.
42.13 Hardware information for Raspberry Pi setups

42.13.1 WARNING: THIS SETUP IS CURRENTLY DEPRECATED AND NOT RECOMMENDED (July 2017)

(Note: If you’re defaulting to Raspberry Pi because that’s what you’ve seen pictures or heard stories of - you should also check out the Edison-based setup instructions for details on a smaller, more mobile friendly option. A Pi/TI stick rig is a good “at home” rig, but most people want the smallest, which is an Edision/Explorer Board rig (pictured here) that they can slip in their pocket. The [next page](http://openaps.readthedocs.io/en/latest/docs/Gear Up/edison.html) has the Edison required hardware. The Edison/Explorer Board setup is the main community-supported setup moving forward after March 2017.)

The Raspberry Pi (RPi) is a credit-card sized single-board computer. The RPi primarily uses Linux kernel based operating systems, which must be installed by the user onto a micro SD card for the RPi to work. The RPi currently only supports Ubuntu, Raspbian, OpenELEC, and RISC OS. We recommend installing either Ubuntu or Raspbian. Later in the docs under recommended setup, you will learn how to do a “cableless” and “headless” install of Raspbian. You will be able to access and control the RPi via an SSH client on Windows, Mac OS X, Linux, iOS, or Android.

The RPi has 4 USB ports, an Ethernet port, an HDMI port, and a micro USB power-in jack that accepts 2.1 Amp power supplies. In this tutorial, you will need to access the USB ports, micro USB power-in jack, and possibly the Ethernet jack (if wireless failure occurs).

High level list of supplies needed for a Pi-based setup:

- One of the following:
  - Raspberry Pi 2 Model B (“RPi2”) with a Low-profile USB WiFi adapter (see “Raspberry Pi 2” section below)
  - Raspberry Pi 3 Model B (“RPi3”) with built in WiFi
- A Carelink USB or alternative radio stick
- An 8 GB (or greater) micro SD card
- Additional Supplies
  - Micro SD card to regular SD card converter [optional, but recommended so that you can use the micro SD card in a regular sized SD card drive]
  - 2.1 Amp (or greater) USB power supply or battery
  - Micro USB cable(s)
  - Case [optional]
  - Cat5 or Cat6 Ethernet cable [optional]
  - HDMI cable [optional, used for connecting the RPi2 to a screen for initial setup ease]
  - USB Keyboard [optional, used to interact with the RPi2 via its own graphics interface on your TV screen]
  - USB Mouse [optional, for the same purpose]

42.13.2 Raspberry Pi 2

The Raspberry Pi 2 has fewer and lower spec components and so draws less power, but requires a WiFi adapter to be also purchased. The spec makes no difference to the OpenAPS app, so either model is suitable choice.

Raspberry Pi 2 Model B
42.13.3 Raspberry Pi 3 Model B

The Raspberry Pi 3 has higher specs and built-in WiFi and Bluetooth, so it draws more power. As a consequence, it has a shorter battery life than the Raspberry Pi 2. So when selecting portable battery packs bear this in mind.

Raspberry Pi 3 Model B

42.13.4 CareLink USB Stick - NOT RECOMMENDED

The easiest device for uploading pump data and interfacing OpenAPS is the CareLink USB stick for the RPi. Due to the short range of communication between the CareLink stick and the Medtronic pumps, some users set up multiple sticks in different locations to maximize the chances of successful transmissions. CareLink is not the modern communication device sold by Medtronic. CareLink has been replaced by a newer system but OpenAPS uses the older original communication device, CareLink.

A limitation of the Carelink USB stick is the short range of radio communications with the Medtronic pump. The radio signals are transmitted from the end of the stick opposite the USB connector, on the flat grey side of the stick (see this set of experiments for details). Using a USB extension cable and angling the stick appropriately will assist in improving the connection. See Rerii 90 Degree USB Extension Cable or Mediabridge Products USB Extension Cable.

42.13.5 Recommended alternative to Carelink USB - Use a TI stick

A TI stick has improved range compared to a Carelink stick. However, the main setup docs refer to a Carelink stick, so if you pick a TI stick you’ll want to head over to the mmeowlink wiki for information about preparing and using the TI stick. Then, come back to Phase 1 docs to continue your setup process.

42.13.6 Micro SD Card

An 8 or 16 GB micro SDHC card is recommended. Get one that is class-4 or greater and is a recognized name brand, such as SanDisk, Kingston, or Sony. A list of verified working hardware (including SD cards) can be found here.

SanDisk Ultra 16GB Ultra Micro SDHC UHS-I/Class 10 Card with Adapter
Sony 16GB Class 10 UHS-I Micro SDHC

Note: A known issue with the Raspberry Pi is that the SD card may get corrupted with frequent power cycles, such as when the system gets plugged and unplugged frequently from an external battery. Most core developers of openaps recommend purchasing extra SD cards and having them pre-imaged and ready to use with a backup copy of openaps installed, so you can swap it out on the go for continued use of the system.

42.13.7 WiFi Adapter (Raspberry Pi 2 only)

A minimalistic, unobtrusive WiFi USB adapter is recommended. The low-profile helps to avoid damage to both the RPi2 and the adapter as the RPi2 will be transported everywhere with the user.

Edimax EW-7811Un 150Mbps 11n Wi-Fi USB Adapter
Buffalo AirStation N150 Wireless USB Adapter
42.13.8 2.1 Amp USB Battery Power Supply

A large-capacity power supply that is greater than 8000 mAh (milliAmp-hours) is recommended for full day use. Make sure that the battery has at least one 2.1 Amp USB output. A battery with a form-factor that minimizes size is recommended, to allow the patient to be as ambulatory as possible. When you have a full OpenAPS implemented and working, you will want to have multiple batteries to rotate and recharge. A battery that can deliver power while it charges is ideal as you will be able to charge it on-the-fly without shutting down and restarting the Raspberry Pi.

TeckNet® POWER BANK 9000mAh USB External Battery Backup Pack
Zendure® 2nd Gen A3 Portable Charger 10000mAh - 2.1a Dual USB - in-line charging

42.13.9 USB Cables

USB cables with a micro connector on one end and a standard (Type A) connector on the other are used to connect the power supply and the Dexcom receiver to the Raspberry Pi. Most cables will work fine, but some prefer to select lengths and/or features (such as right-angled connectors) to improve portability.

Rerii Black Golden Plated 15 cm Length Micro-B Male Left Angle USB cable
Monoprice Premium USB to Micro USB Charge, Sync Cable - 3ft

42.13.10 Cases

The Raspberry Pi is extremely minimalistic and does not come in a protective case. This is fine for development work, but presents an issue for day-to-day use. There are hundreds of cases available, but here is an example of what others are using in their OpenAPS builds:

JBtek® Jet Black Case for Raspberry Pi B+ & Raspberry Pi 2 Model & Raspberry Pi 3 Model B

Additionally, for mobile use, it is helpful to have something besides a lunchbox to carry the entire rig around. The size and weight of the component set as well as the limited range of the CareLink USB stick constrains the options here, but there are still some workable solutions. Waist-worn running gear and camera cases seem to work well. Two options: FlipBelt and Lowepro Dashpoint 20.

42.13.11 HDMI Cable, USB Keyboard, USB Mouse

For the initial set up of the Raspberry Pi you may want to use a monitor and keyboard/mouse to set up the WiFi connection, but all other access can be done through a SSH Terminal (explained later). This means the monitor, mouse, and keyboard are only used for a few minutes and generally aren’t required again.

42.14 Setting Up Your Raspberry Pi

42.14.1 WARNING - THIS DOCUMENT IS DEPRECATED (NOT RECOMMENDED) AND UNMAINTAINED. We suggest you look to the top of the docs for information on the currently recommended hardware setup instead. As of November 2017 there are new and simplified Raspberry Pi setup instructions linked from there. The instructions below should only be used for troubleshooting purposes if the new instructions aren’t working.

Note: There are two setup flows described on this page. The one toward the bottom of the page is the older setup instructions that worked back in the day. The one at the top of the page (all prefaced with “newer path”) is an attempt
by someone to make the Pi instructions work for Pi3 and Pi0W. There may be issues with BOTH setups, so please do make PRs to this page and/or discuss on Gitter about which setup flow works.

### 42.14.2 Newer Path

This is for Pi3 and the Pi zero W using the TI CC1111 radio stick

**Newer Path: Setting Up Your Raspberry Pi using Windows**

**Newer Path: Setup your TI cc1111 radio stick**

Follow this link to grab the correct firmware https://github.com/oskarpearson/mmeowlink/wiki/TI-USB-stick

For the Pi with the TI choose:usb_ep0_TI_DONGLE_US_STDLOC.hex

Save the .hex file for use in the next step.

Download the flash programmer tool from Texas Instruments using this link

http://www.ti.com/tool/flash-programmer

Note: choose the Flash Programmer tool not the Flash Programmer-2


Note: When flashing use the .hex file you saved earlier as your firmware. Not the one provided or suggested by Texas Instruments in their instruction sheet.

**Newer Path: Install Raspian (Jessie) on your Pi**

**Using Pixal:**

1. Make sure Pi is powered down and unplugged.
2. Insert SD card into SD card slot
3. Using an HDMI cable attach monitor to Pi using the HDMI port on the Pi
4. Plug a spare USB keyboard into the PI using the USB slots on the Pi

   NOTE With Pi Zero W use USB hub)

5. Plug the TI radio stick into the top center USB slot of Pi 3

   Note if using a Pi Zero W wait until ready to install openaps to plug into Pi

6. Plug the micro power cable into the Pi
7. Plug the other end into outlet

The Pi should start up with this screen.

Put an x in the box
Set correct keyboard and country.

Select Install at the top left

You will get a warning that all data will be erased. If this is a new card do not worry.

NOTE Depending on your internet speed this can take 10 - 30 minutes

Once you have the Pixal screen do the following

1. In the top left corner choose MENU/Raspberry Pi Configuration
2. Choose system tab
   A. Change Hostname and password (default password is raspberry) to what you want.
      NOTE: It needs to be at least 8 characters for SSH to work
3. Choose interface tab
   A. Select SSH
4. Do not make any changes under Performance Tab
5. Select Localisation Tab (yes that is the correct spelling on a Pi)
   A. Select each sub tab and fill in the proper settings
   B. If you are in the U.S. choose U.S. and International for the keyboard.
6. Select OK and when asked to reboot select ok
7. In the top menu bar on the right side select your wifi from the dropdown list

Newer Path: Update the repository and upgrade the installed packages:

1. From the bar at the top of the screen choose the terminal icon
   NOTE: we will work in root.
2. To enter root copy and paste the following then press enter
   sudo -i
3. Copy and paste the following then press enter
   NOTE: This will unpackage nodejs and try to remove the legacy version. IF the legacy version does not exist ignore the error messages pertaining to that..
   
   
   dpkg -P nodejs nodejs-dev
4. Copy and paste each line of code 1 at a time and press enter after each. These are done as 3 separate commands due to the size of Pi Zero W processor
   
   apt-get update
   apt-get dist-upgrade (get some coffee, take a nap, take a vacation)
   apt-get autoremove
5. Copy and paste code then press enter.
   apt-get install -y sudo strace tcpdump screen acpid vim python-pip locate
6. Copy and paste code then press enter.
dpkg-reconfigure tzdata

NOTE: it will default to America. Arrow down and select USA if you are in the US. Then arrow to the right and highlight ok. Then choose time zone and arrow to OK.

7. Copy and paste code then press enter.

nano /etc/logrotate.conf

NOTE: I HAVE NOTICED LINUX CAN BE VERY FUSSY AT TIMES. if IT GIVES AND ERROR copy and paste each line 1 at a time and press enter after each.

cd /etc/
nano logrotate.conf

A. Arrow down and change the log rotation to daily from weekly

B. Enable log compression by removing the hash on the #compress line, to reduce the probability of running out of disk space

C. Exit and save

Newer Path: Update Firmware

1. Select this line of code and paste into terminal window to update pi firmware and press enter.

   rpi-update

2. Reboot to apply the changes:

   reboot

3. You may have the following message the next time you start pixel

   Press 'OK'

4. At the top left of screen select menu/ Preferences/Raspberry Pi Configuration and check all settings. Fix if needed.

Newer Path: Find I.P. address

From terminal window type

   sudo ifconfig

   Write down ip address. You will need this to SSH into Pi.

   NOTE: From this point forward we will use SSH to communicate with Pi.

Using Putty (if using Windows) or a similar emulator SSH into the Pi using the ip address from above. Use the password you set during setup
Newer Path: Disable Network Power Management

The latest few updates of software have Power Save On as a default. This will shut down your wlan0 port even if you add a script to test and restart every 5 minutes. To disable do the following:

1. Copy and paste the following line and press enter
   
   ```
   sudo -i
   ```

2. Copy and paste into ssh terminal:
   
   ```
   nano /etc/network/interfaces
   ```

3. Arrow down to the end of: iface wlan0 inet manual
   
   A. Press enter to create a blank line
   
   B. Copy and paste the following line into that new space: :

   ```
   wireless-power off
   ```

   **NOTE** IT IS CRITICAL it goes just below ‘iface wlan0 inet manual’ If you put it above this line your Pi Wifi will not work!

4. Exit and save nano screen

5. Reboot pi

   ```
   reboot
   ```

Once system restarts do the following to verify it worked

1. SSH into pi

2. Copy and paste

   ```
   iwconfig
   ```

3. You should now see Power Management:off

Newer Path: Setup network wpa_supplicant

1. Copy and paste the following then press enter

   ```
   sudo -i
   ```

2. Copy and paste the following

   ```
   nano /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf
   ```

3. Match the following. You can copy and paste what you need and simply edit
ctrl_interface=DIR=/var/run/wpa_supplicant GROUP=netdev
update_config=1
country=US

network={
  ssid="WifiName"
  psk="WifiPassword"
  key_mgmt=WPA-PSK
  priority=1
  id_str="wifi"
}

network={
  ssid="HotspotName"
  psk="HotspotPassword"
  key_mgmt=WPA-PSK
  priority=2
  id_str="hotspot"
}

Note: I set up a wifi and a wifi hotspot (phone)

Note: Where I use " " they are to be included

Exit and save

Newer Path Setup Network Interface

1. Copy and paste the following
   
nano /etc/network/interfaces

Newer Path: Match the following.

#interfaces(5) file used by ifup(8) and ifdown(8)

#Please note that this file is written to be used with dhcpcd
# For static IP, consult /etc/dhcpcd.conf and 'man dhcpcd.conf'

# Include files from /etc/network/interfaces.d:

source-directory /etc/network/interfaces.d

auto lo
iface lo inet loopback

iface eth0 inet manual

allow-hotplug wlan0
iface wlan0 inet manual
  wireless-power off
  wpa-conf /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf

allow-hotplug wlan1
iface wlan1 inet manual
  wpa-conf /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf

iface wifi inet dhcp

iface hotspot inet dhcp

Then, Exit and save

- Note: Where I called to the wifi and a hotspot (phone) at the bottom
- Note: I do not use " "
- Note: inet is left manual
- Note: change every line in your original where you see it different here. This is important.
  1. Copy and paste the following
     reboot
  2. Press enter

Newer Path: Configure USB tethering on newer androids [optional]

You may have noticed that your rig may not usb tether with your newer android phone such as the Galaxy S7. That is because it appears there is a change to the NDIS driver interface. This should correct your issue:

1. ssh into rig
   sudo -i
2. Copy and paste
   nano /etc/network/interfaces
3. Press enter

4. Copy all lines at once and paste

   `allow-hotplug eth1`
   `iface eth1 inet dhcp`
   `pre-up ifconfig eth1 hw ether 02:aa:bb:cc:12:02`
   
   NOTE: replace `02:aa:bb:cc:12:02` with your phones wifi mac address
   `reboot`

5. For the first time reboot phone

6. Plug in cable to phone and rig

7. Start usb tether on phone

Newer Path: Wifi and Hotspot auto restart

1. Log in as pi using ssh

2. Copy and paste the following then press enter

   `sudo -i`

3. Copy and paste the following then press enter

   `cd /usr/local/bin`
   
   NOTE: if it fails type each line one at a time pressing enter after each
   `cd /usr/`
   `cd local`
   `cd bin`

4. Copy and paste the following then press enter

   `nano wifi_reboot.sh`

This will create the file

1. Copy and paste the following into the file (copy and paste all at once)

   `#!/bin/bash`
   
   #The IP for the server you wish to ping (8.8.8.8 is a public Google DNS server)
   #SERVER=8.8.8.8
   
   #Only send two pings, sending output to /dev/null
sudo ping -c 2 8.8.8.8 > /dev/null

# If the return code from ping ($?) is not 0 (meaning there was an error)
if [ $? != 0 ]
then

# Restart the wireless interface
/sbin/ifdown 'wlan0'
sleep 3
/sbin/ifup --force 'wlan0'
fi

Make sure to exit and save

2. Copy and paste followed by enter
   chmod +x /usr/local/bin/wifi_reboot.sh

3. Copy and paste the following then press enter to make it auto run the script from cron:
   nano /etc/crontab
   NOTE: if it fails copy and paste each line 1 at a time followed by enter
   cd /etc/
   nano crontab

4. After the last line copy and paste this (this will check every 3 minutes)
   */3 * * * * root /usr/local/bin/wifi_reboot.sh

5. Exit and save
   reboot

Newer Path: Turn off GUI interface

1. Copy and paste the following
   sudo raspi-config

2. Select boot options
   A. Select B2 console Auto Login Text Console
   B. Select OK
Newer Path - install openaps dependencies and install oref0

Follow the main docs for installing openaps, oref0, and getting your loop running.

Newer Path - Optional Installs

Enable watchdog

```
sudo -i
1. SSH into pi
2. Copy and paste the following
   apt-get install watchdog
3. Copy and paste the following
   modprobe bcm2708_wdog
   NOTE: If this command does not work, it appears to be ok to skip it. Newest_
   → version gives FATAL error simply because it is not there
4. Copy and paste the following
   bash -c 'echo " bcm2835_wdt " >> /etc/modules'
5. Edit the config file by opening up nano text editor
   nano /etc/watchdog.conf
   NOTE: If it fails do the following
   cd /etc/
   nano watchdog.conf
6. Find the following lines and Uncomment: (remove the # from the following lines,
   scroll down as needed to find them):
   max-load-1 = 24
   watchdog-device = /dev/watchdog
   Save and exit
7. Finally, start watchdog by copying and pasting the following:
   service watchdog start
```
8. To auto start watchdog with each boot copy/paste then enter the following

    cd /boot/
    nano config.txt

9. Add the following line

    dtparam=watchdog=on

10. Exit and Save

    newer Path - Make sure GPIO library is installed

1. Log in as pi using ssh

2. Copy and paste these 3 lines 1 at a time and press enter after each

    sudo apt-get update
    sudo apt-get -y install python-rpi.gpio
    sudo apt-get -y install python3-rpi.gpio

3. Copy and paste

    sudo -i

4. Copy and paste the following

    cd /usr/local/bin

5. Copy and paste the following

    nano fan_speed.py

This will create the file

6. Copy and paste the following into the file (copy and paste all at once)

    #!/usr/bin/python

    import RPi.GPIO as GPIO

    import time

    import os

    #Return CPU temperature as float

    def getCPUtemp():
        cTemp = os.popen('vcgencmd measure_temp').readline()
```python
return float(cTemp.replace("temp=","").replace("'C
",""))

# For GPIO numbering, Choose BCM
GPIO.setmode(GPIO.BCM)
GPIO.setup(2,GPIO.OUT)
GPIO.setwarnings(False)
p=GPIO.PWM(2,100)

while True:
    CPU_temp = getCPUtemp()
    if CPU_temp > 70.0:
        p.start(100)
    elif CPU_temp > 60.0:
        p.start(60)
    elif CPU_temp > 50.0:
        p.start(40)
    elif CPU_temp > 45.0:
        p.start(30)
    elif CPU_temp > 40.0:
        p.start(20)
    elif CPU_temp > 35.0:
        p.start(15)
    elif CPU_temp > 30.0:
        p.start(10)
    else:
        p.stop()
    time.sleep(180)
GPIO.cleanup()
```

( exit and save)

7. Copy and paste

    exit

You are now back as pi

8. Copy and paste the following to make it auto run the script from cron:

    sudo crontab -e

9. After the last line copy and paste each of the lines below one at a time (this will check every 3 minutes)

    @reboot /usr/bin/python
    @reboot /usr/local/bin/fan_speed.py

10. Exit and save
Newer Path - Configure Bluetooth Low Energy tethering [optional]

Only works if your phone and provider allow Bluetooth tether The Raspberry Pi can be tethered to a smartphone and share the phone’s internet connection. Bluetooth tethering needs to be enabled and configured on the phone device and your carrier/plan must allow tethering. The Raspberry Pi 3 has an inbuilt Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) chip, while a BLE USB dongle can be used with the other Pi models.

The main advantages of using BLE tethering are that it consumes less power on the phone device than running a portable WiFi hotspot and it allows the Raspberry Pi to use whatever data connection is available on the phone at any given time - e.g. 3G/4G or WiFi. Some have also found that power consumption on the Raspberry Pi is lower when using BLE tethering compared to using a WiFi connection, although this may vary depending on BLE USB dongle, WiFi dongle, etc.

1. First, we clone a repository which contains scripts which are used later in the
2. We then copy the required scripts into a ‘bin’ directory -
3. To configure a connection from the command line -
4. Enter the following commands to bring up the adapter and make it discoverable -
   power on
   discoverable on
   agent on
   default-agent

The adapter is now discoverable for three minutes. Search for bluetooth devices on your phone and initiate pairing. The process varies depending on the phone and the dongle in use. The phone may provide a random PIN and bluetoothctl may ask you to confirm it. Enter ‘yes’. Then click ‘pair’ on the phone. Instead, the phone may ask you to enter a PIN. If so, enter ‘0000’ and when bluetoothctl asks for a PIN, enter the same code again. Either way, bluetoothctl should inform you that pairing was successful. It will then ask you to authorize the connection - enter ‘yes’.

5. Execute the paired-devices command to list the paired devices -

Your paired phone should be listed (in this example, a Google Nexus 6P). Copy the bluetooth address listed for it; we will need to provide this later. Now trust the mobile device (notice that bluetoothctl features auto-complete, so you can type the first few characters of the device’s bluetooth address (which we copied previously) and hit to complete the address. NOTE: Whenever you see ‘AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF’ or ‘AA_BB_CC_DD_EE_FF’ in this guide, replace it with the actual address of your mobile Bluetooth device, in the proper format (colons or underscores).

```shell
trust AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF
```

6. Quit bluetoothctl with

```shell
quit
```

7. Now, we create a service so that a connection is established at startup. Execute the following commands to create a net-bnep-client.service file and open it for editing in Nano -

```shell
cd /etc/systemd/system
nano net-bnep-client.service
```

8. In the editor, populate the file with the text below, replacing AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF with the address noted earlier -

```ini
[Unit]
After=bluetooth.service
PartOf=bluetooth.service

[Service]
ExecStart=/home/pi/bin/bt-pan client AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF

[Install]
WantedBy=bluetooth.target
```

8. Exit and save

9. Enable the service -

```shell
systemctl enable net-bnep-client.service
```

10. Open your crontab for editing -

```shell
crontab -e
```

11. Add an entry to check the connection every minute and reconnect if necessary -

```shell
* * * * * /home/pi/bin/check-and-connect bt-pan.sh
```

12. Exit and save

```shell
shutdown -r now
```

or systemctl reboot
Newer Path - App to check core temp (optional)

1. ssh into pi
   
   sudo -i

3. copy and paste
   
   nano my-pi-temp.sh

4. copy and paste all at once
   
   #!/bin/bash
   
   #Script: my-pi-temp.sh
   
   #Purpose: Display the ARM CPU and GPU temperature of Raspberry Pi 2/3
   
   #Author: Vivek Gite <www.cyberciti.biz> under GPL v2.x+
   
   # -------------------------------------------------------
   
   cpu=$(</sys/class/thermal/thermal_zone0/temp)
   
   echo "$(date) @ $(hostname)"
   
   echo "-------------------------------------------"
   
   echo "GPU => $(/opt/vc/bin/vcgencmd measure_temp)"
   
   echo "CPU => $((cpu/1000))'C"

5. Copy and paste
   
   chmod +x my-pi-temp.sh

6. Run it as follows:
   
   ./my-pi-temp.sh

42.15 Older instructions for original Pi-based setups

Note 1: This page talks about setting up the Raspberry Pi with a Carelink USB stick. If you chose the TI stick for your first setup, you’ll need to utilize directions in the mmeowlink wiki for flashing your TI stick, then return here to continue on with the OpenAPS setup process.

Note 2: Setting up a Raspberry Pi is not specific to OpenAPS. Therefore, it’s very easy to Google and find other setup guides and tutorials to help with this process. This is also a good way to get comfortable with using Google if you’re unfamiliar with some of the command line tools. Trust us - even if you’re an experienced programmer, you’ll be doing this throughout the setup process.

Note 3: Since bluetooth was included on the Raspberry Pi 3, changes were made to the UART configuration that require additional steps. Detailed RPi3-specific OpenAPS setup instructions can be found here.

In order to use the RPi2 with opensaps development tools, the RPi2 must have an operating system installed and be set up in a very specific way. There are two paths to the initial operating system installation and WiFi setup. Path
1 is recommended for beginners that are very new to using command prompts or “terminal” on the Mac. Path 2 is considered the most convenient approach for those with more experience with coding and allows the RPi2 to be set up without the use of cables, which is also known as a headless install. Either path will work and the path you choose is a matter of personal preference. Either way, it is recommended that you purchase your RPi2 as a CanaKit, which includes everything you will need for a GUI install.

For the Path 1 GUI install you will need:

- A Raspberry Pi 2 CanaKit or similar, which includes several essential accessories in one package
- USB Keyboard
- USB Mouse
- A TV or other screen with HDMI input

For the Path 2 Headless install, you will need:

- Raspberry Pi 2
- 8 GB micro SD Card [and optional adapter so that you can plug in the micro SD Card into your computer]
- Low Profile USB WiFi Adapter
- 2.1 Amp USB Power Supply
- Micro USB cable
- Raspberry Pi 2 CanaKit
- Console cable, Ethernet cable, or Windows/Linux PC that can write ext4 filesystems

### 42.15.1 Download and Install Raspbian Jessie

Note: If you ordered the recommended CanaKit, your SD card will already come imaged. However, if you don’t already know whether it’s Raspbian 8 Jessie or newer (see below), just treat it as a blank SD card and download and install the latest version of Raspbian (currently version 8.0, codename Jessie).

#### Download Raspbian

Raspbian is the recommended operating system for OpenAPS.

If you don’t plan on running a graphical user interface on your Raspberry Pi, you can download the ‘lite’ version of Raspbian here; the image is much smaller and will download and write to your SD card more quickly.

If you require a full graphical user interface on your Raspberry Pi, download the latest version of Raspbian here.

Make sure to extract the disk .img from the ZIP file. If you downloaded the full GUI version above, note that the large size of the Raspbian Jessie image means its .zip file uses a different format internally, and the built-in unzipping tools in some versions of Windows and MacOS cannot handle it. The file can be successfully unzipped with 7-Zip on Windows and The Unarchiver on Mac (both are free). You can also unzip it from the command line on a Mac, by opening the Terminal application, navigating to the directory where you download the ZIP file, and typing `unzip filename.zip`.

#### Write Raspbian to the Micro SD Card

Write the Raspbian .img you extracted from the ZIP file above to the SD card using the Installing OS Images instructions.

If necessary, you can erase (format) your SD card using https://www.sdcard.org/downloads/formatter_4/
Detailed Windows Instructions

- First, format your card to take advantage of the full size it offers
  - If you got your through CanaKit, when you put it in your PC it will look like it is 1GB in size despite saying it is 8GB
- Download and install: https://www.sdcard.org/downloads/formatter_4/
- Run SDFormatter
  - Make sure your Micro SD Card is out of your Raspberry PI (shut it down first) and attached to your computer
  - Choose the drive where your card is and hit “Options”
  - Format Type: Change to Full (Erase)
  - This will erase your old Raspbian OS and make sure you are using the full SD card’s available memory
- Format the card
- Download Raspbian 8 / Jessie
  - https://www.raspberry.org/downloads/raspbian/
  - Extract the IMG file
- Follow the instruction here to write the IMG to your SD card
  - https://www.raspberry.org/documentation/installation/installing-images/README.md
- After writing to the SD card, safely remove it from your computer and put it back into your RPi2 and power it up
42.15.2 Connect and configure WiFi

- Insert the included USB WiFi into the RPi2.
- Next, insert the Micro SD Card into the RPi2.

Path 1: Keyboard, Mouse, and HDMI monitor/TV

- First, insert your USB keyboard and USB mouse into the RPi2.
- Next, connect your RPi2 to a monitor or T.V. using the included HDMI cable.
- Finally connect your RPi2 using the power adapter.
- You should see the GUI appear on screen.
- As of 12/11/2016 the Raspberry Pi Foundation is disabling SSH by default in Raspbian as a security precaution. To enable SSH from within the GUI, open up the terminal window and type `sudo raspi-config`. On the configuration menu that opens, scroll down and choose Interfacing Options and then navigate to ssh, press Enter and select Enable ssh server.
- Configure WiFi per the instruction pamphlet included with your CanaKit. For those not using the CanaKit, click the computer monitors next to the volume control in the upper-right side and there will be a drop-down menu of available WiFi networks. You should see your home network. If you have trouble connecting to the RPi2 via WiFi, check your router settings. The router may need to be switched from WEP to WPA2.
- Once you have installed Raspbian, connected to WiFi, and enabled SSH you can disconnect the mouse, keyboard and HDMI cable.

Remember to keep your RPi2 plugged in, just disconnect the peripherals. Also remember to never disconnect your RPi2 without shutting it down properly using the `sudo shutdown -h now` command. If you are unable to access the Pi and must power it off without a shutdown, wait until the green light has stopped flashing (indicating the Pi is no longer writing to the SD card).

You can now skip to Test SSH Access and SSH into your RPi2.

Path 2: Console or Ethernet cable

- Get and connect a console cable (use this guide),
- Temporarily connect RPi to a router with an Ethernet cable and SSH in (see below), or
- Connect the RPi directly to your computer with an Ethernet cable (using this guide) and SSH in (see below)
- As of 12/11/2016 the Raspberry Pi Foundation is disabling SSH by default in Raspbian as a security precaution. To enable SSH, create a file called ssh and save it to the boot directory of the mounted drive. The file can be blank, and it has no extensions. This will tell your Pi to enable SSH.

Configure WiFi Settings

Once you connect to the Pi, you'll want to set up your wifi network(s). It is recommended to add both your home wifi network and your phone’s hotspot network if you want to use OpenAPS on the go.

To configure wifi:

Type `sudo bash` and hit enter
Input `wpa_passphrase "<my_SSID_hotspot>" "<my_hotspot_password>"` >> /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf and hit enter (where `<my_SSID_hotspot>` is the name of your phone’s hotspot and `<my_hotspot_password>` is the password).

(It should look like: `wpa_passphrase "OpenAPS hotspot" "123loveOpenAPS4ever"` >> /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf)

Input your home wifi next: `wpa_passphrase "<my_SSID_home>" "<my_home_network_password>"` >> /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf (and hit enter)

You will also want to edit `/etc/network/interfaces` to change the following line from `iface wlan0 inet manual` to `iface wlan0 inet dhcp`

To accomplish this input `sudo nano /etc/network/interfaces` and change `manual` to `dhcp` on the line that has `iface wlan0 inet`

The `dhcp` tells the ifup process to configure the interface to expect some type of dhcp server on the other end, and use that to configure the IP/Netmask, Gateway, and DNS addresses on your Pi. The `manual` indicates to the ifup process that that interface is not to be configured at all. For further reading on the `interfaces` and `wpa_supplicant.conf` files, type `man 5 interfaces` or `man 5 wpa_supplicant` when logged into your Pi.

If you are not familiar with nano (the text editor) you may want to check out this tutorial

You can now skip to Test SSH Access and SSH into your RPi2.

**Path 3: Headless WiFi configuration (Windows/Linux only)**

Keep the SD card in the reader in your computer. In this step, the WiFi interface is going to be configured in Raspbian, so that we can SSH in to the RPi2 and access the device remotely, such as on a computer or a mobile device via an SSH client, via the WiFi connection that we configure. Go to the directory where your SD card is with all of the files for running Raspbian on your RPi2, and open this file in a text editor.

`/path/to/sd/card/etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf`

In this file you will list your known WiFi networks so your Pi can connect automatically when roaming (e.g., between your home WiFi and your mobile hotspot).

```
ctrl_interface=DIR=/var/run/wpa_supplicant GROUP=netdev
update_config=1
network={
    ssid="YOURMOBILESSID"
    psk="YOURMOBILEPASS"
}
network={
    ssid="YOURHOMESSID"
    psk="YOURHOMEPASS"
}
```

You can add as many network as you need, the next reboot your system will connect to the first available network listed in your config files. Once the network to which your board is connected becomes unavailable, it start looking for any other known network in the area, and it connects to it if available.

If you want to connect to a router which doesn’t broadcast an SSID, add a line with `scan_ssid=1` after the `ssid` and `psk` lines for that network. (More info and examples for the options you can specify for each network are here.)

Boot your Pi. (Put the SD card into the RPi2. Plug in the compatible USB WiFi adapter into a RPi2 USB port. Get a micro USB cable and plug the micro USB end into the side of the RPi2 and plug the USB side into the USB power supply.)

If you are unable to access this file on your computer:
• Connect your Pi to your computer with an Ethernet cable and boot your Pi
• Log in using PuTTY. The Host Name is raspberrypi.local and the Port is 22. The login is pi and the password is raspberry.
• Type `sudo nano /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf` and edit the file as described above.

42.15.3 Test SSH Access

Windows

Make sure that the computer is connected to the same WiFi router that the RPi2 is using. Download PuTTY here. Hostname is `pi@raspberrypi.local` and default password for the user `pi` is `raspberry`. The port should be set to 22 (by default), and the connection type should be set to SSH. Click Open to initiate the SSH session.

Mac OS X / Linux

Make sure that the computer is connected to the same WiFi router that the RPi2 is using.

Open Terminal and enter this command:

```
ssh pi@raspberrypi.local
```

Default password for the user `pi` is `raspberry`

iOS

Make sure that the iOS device is connected to the same WiFi network that the RPi2 is using. Download Serverauditor or Prompt 2 (use this if you have a visual impairment). Hostname is `pi@raspberrypi.local` and the default password for the user `pi` is `raspberry`. The port should be set to 22 (by default), and the connection type should be set to SSH.

You probably also want to make your phone a hotspot and configure the WiFi connection (as above) to use the hotspot.

Android

Make sure that the Android device is connected to the same WiFi network that the RPi2 is using. Download an SSH client in the Google Play store. Hostname is `pi@raspberrypi.local` and the default password for the user `pi` is `raspberry`. The port should be set to 22 (by default), and the connection type should be set to SSH. You may need to ssh using the ip address instead; the app “Fing - Network Tools” will tell you what the address is if needed.

You probably also want to make your phone a hotspot and configure the WiFi connection (as above) to use the hotspot.

Note: If connecting to the RPi2 fails at this point, the easiest alternative is to temporarily connect RPi to your router with an Ethernet cable and SSH in, making sure both the computer and the RPi2 are connected to the same router.

42.15.4 Configure the Raspberry Pi

Verify your Raspbian Version

• In order to do this, you must have done Path 1 or Path 2 above so that you have an environment to interact with
• Go to the shell / Terminal prompt. If running the GUI, look at the Menu in the upper left and click the icon three to the right of it (looks like a computer)

• Type `lsb_release -a`

• If it says anything about Release 8 / Jessie, you have the correct version and can continue.

• If it says anything else, you need to go back to Download and Install Raspbian Jessie

**Run raspi-config**

Run

```
sudo raspi-config
```

Here you can expand filesystem to maximize memory, change user password and set timezone (in internationalization options). This will take effect on the next reboot, so go ahead and reboot if prompted, or run `sudo reboot` when you’re ready.

Confirm that your keyboard settings are correct. Click on Menu (upper left corner of the screen, with raspberry icon). Mouse down to Preferences, and over to Mouse and Keyboard Settings. Click on Mouse and Keyboard Settings, then click on the Keyboard tab. Click on Keyboard Layout and be sure your country and variant are correct. For the US, it should be United States and English (US).

**Note on Time Zone**

It is imperative that you set the correct time zone at this step of the configuration process. OpenAPS will look at the timestamp of your CGM data, and the local time on the pump, when making recommendations for basal changes. The system also uses local time on the pi; so times and time zone need to match, or you will run into issues later. If the time zone is incorrect, or you haven’t done this yet, run `sudo dpkg-reconfigure tzdata` from the prompt and choose your local zone.

**Note on Date and Time in Event of Power Compromise**

To check the time is correct, type `date`. If the date is still not correct, try: `sudo /etc/init.d/ntp stop` then `sudo ntpd -q -g` then `sudo /etc/init.d/ntp start` (This may need to be done if the pi unexpectedly lost power)

### 42.15.5 Setting up an SSH key for Password-less Login [optional]

You can setup a public/private key identity, and configure your local computer and the Raspberry Pi to automatically use it. This will allow SSH access to the Pi without requiring a password. Some people find this feature very convenient.

**Windows**

If you don’t already have an SSH key, follow [this guide](#) from GitHub to create one.

Create a `.ssh` directory on the Pi: run `mkdir .ssh`

Log out by typing `exit`

and copy your public SSH key into your RPi2 by entering`ssh-copy-id pi@raspberrypi.local`
Now you should be able to log in without a password. Try to SSH into the RPi2 again, this time without a password.

**Mac and Linux**

In this section some of the commands will be run on your local computer and some will be run on your pi. This will be identified in parenthesis after each command.

If you don’t already have an ssh key, then run ssh-keygen (on your local computer - keep hitting enter to accept all the defaults).

If you created a new key identity and accepted all of the defaults, then the name of the newly generated identity will be id_rsa. However, if you set a custom name for the new identity (e.g. id_mypi), then you will need to add it to your local ssh keyring, via ssh-add ~/.ssh/id_mypi (on your local computer).

Next create a .ssh directory on the Pi: ssh pi@raspberrypi.local (on your local computer), enter the password for the pi user on the Pi, and run mkdir .ssh (on your pi).

Next, add your new identity to the list of identities for which the Pi’s pi user grants access via ssh:

```
cat ~/.ssh/<id_name>.pub | ssh pi@raspberrypi.local 'cat >> .ssh/authorized_keys' (on your local computer)
```

Instead of appending it to the list of authorized keys, you may simply copy your public key to the Pi, **overwriting its existing list of authorized keys**: scp ~/.ssh/<id_name>.pub pi@raspberrypi.local:~/.ssh/authorized_keys (on your local computer)

Finally, ssh pi@raspberrypi.local (on your local computer) to make sure you can log in without a password.

**42.15.6 Wifi reliability tweaks [optional]**

Many people have reported power issues with the 8192cu wireless chip found in many wifi adapters when used with the Raspberry Pi. As a workaround, we can disable the power management features (which this chip doesn’t have anyway) as follows:

```
sudo bash -c 'echo "options 8192cu rtw_power_mgnt=0 rtw_enusbss=0" >> /etc/modprobe.d/8192cu.conf'
```

**42.15.7 Watchdog [optional]**

Now you can consider installing watchdog, which restarts the RPi2 if it becomes unresponsive.

Enable the built-in hardware watchdog chip on the Raspberry Pi:

Install the watchdog package, which controls the conditions under which the hardware watchdog restarts the Pi:

```
sudo apt-get install watchdog
```

```
sudo modprobe bcm2708_wdog - If this command does not work, it appears to be ok to skip it.
sudo bash -c 'echo "bcm2708_wdog" >> /etc/modules'
```

**Note:** On the RPi3, the kernel module is bcm2835_wdog and is loaded by default in Raspbian Jessie.

Edit the config file by opening up nano text editor

```
sudo nano /etc/watchdog.conf
```

Uncomment the following: (remove the # from the following lines, scroll down as needed to find them):
```yaml
max-load-1 = 24
watchdog-device = /dev/watchdog
```

Next, add watchdog to startup applications:

```bash
sudo update-rc.d watchdog defaults
```

Finally, start watchdog by entering:

```bash
sudo service watchdog start
```

**Note:** The init system which handles processes going forward in most Linux systems is systemd. R.c.d may be deprecated in the future, so it may be best to use systemd here. Unfortunately, the watchdog package in Raspbian Jessie (as of 12/10/2016) does not properly handle the systemd unit file. To fix it, do the following:

```bash
echo "WantedBy=multi-user.target" | sudo tee --append /lib/systemd/system/watchdog.service > /dev/null
```

this should place it in the service file under the [Install] heading.

and then to enable it to start at each boot:

```bash
sudo systemctl enable watchdog
```

To start process without rebooting:

```bash
sudo systemctl start watchdog
```

### 42.15.8 Update the Raspberry Pi [optional]

Update the RPi2.

```bash
sudo apt-get update && sudo apt-get -y upgrade
```

The packages will take some time to install.

### 42.15.9 Disable HDMI to conserve power [optional]

Via Raspberry Pi Zero - Conserve power and reduce draw to 80mA:

If you’re running a headless Raspberry Pi, there’s no need to power the display circuitry, and you can save a little power by running `/usr/bin/tvservice -o (-p to re-enable).

To disable HDMI on boot, use `sudo nano /etc/rc.local` to edit the `rc.local` file. Add `/usr/bin/tvservice -o` to the file and save.

### 42.15.10 Configure Bluetooth Low Energy tethering [optional]

The Raspberry Pi can be tethered to a smartphone and share the phone’s internet connection. Bluetooth tethering needs to be enabled and configured on the phone device and your carrier/plan must allow tethering. The Raspberry Pi 3 has an inbuilt Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) chip, while a BLE USB dongle can be used with the other Pi models.

The main advantages of using BLE tethering are that it consumes less power on the phone device than running a portable WiFi hotspot and it allows the Raspberry Pi to use whatever data connection is available on the phone at any given time - e.g. 3G/4G or WiFi. Some have also found that power consumption on the Raspberry Pi is lower when using BLE tethering compared to using a WiFi connection, although this may vary depending on BLE USB dongle, WiFi dongle, etc.

First, we clone a repository which contains scripts which are used later in the setup -
cd /home/pi

git clone https://github.com/WayneKeenan/RaspberryPi_BTPAN_AutoConnect.git

We then copy the required scripts into a ‘bin’ directory -

mkdir -p /home/pi/bin

cp /home/pi/RaspberryPi_BTPAN_AutoConnect/bt-pan /home/pi/bin

cp /home/pi/RaspberryPi_BTPAN_AutoConnect/check-and-connect-bt-pan.sh /home/pi/bin

To configure a connection from the command line -

sudo bluetoothctl

Enter the following commands to bring up the adapter and make it discoverable -

    power on
    discoverable on
    agent on
    default-agent

The adapter is now discoverable for three minutes. Search for bluetooth devices on your phone and initiate pairing. The process varies depending on the phone and the dongle in use. The phone may provide a random PIN and bluetoothctl may ask you to confirm it. Enter ‘yes’. Then click ‘pair’ on the phone. Instead, the phone may ask you to enter a PIN. If so, enter ‘0000’ and when bluetoothctl asks for a PIN, enter the same code again. Either way, bluetoothctl should inform you that pairing was successful. It will then ask you to authorize the connection - enter ‘yes’.

Execute the paired-devices command to list the paired devices -

    paired-devices


Your paired phone should be listed (in this example, a Google Nexus 6P). Copy the bluetooth address listed for it; we will need to provide this later.

Now trust the mobile device (notice that bluetoothctl features auto-complete, so you can type the first few characters of the device’s bluetooth address (which we copied previously) and hit to complete the address.

NOTE: Whenever you see ‘AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF’ or ‘AA_BB_CC_DD_EE_FF’ in this guide, replace it with the actual address of your mobile Bluetooth device, in the proper format (colons or underscores).

    trust AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF

Quit bluetoothctl with ‘quit’.

Now, we create a service so that a connection is established at startup. Execute the following commands to create a net-bnep-client.service file and open it for editing in Nano -

cd /etc/systemd/system

sudo nano net-bnep-client.service

In the editor, populate the file with the text below, replacing AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF with the address noted earlier -

```
[Unit]
After=bluetooth.service
PartOf=bluetooth.service

[Service]
ExecStart=/home/pi/bin/bt-pan client AA:BB:CC:DD:EE:FF
```
Save the file, then enable the service -

```bash
sudo systemctl enable net-bnep-client.service
```

Open your crontab for editing -

```bash
crontab -e
```

...and add an entry to check the connection every minute and reconnect if necessary -

```bash
* * * * * /home/pi/bin/check-and-connect-bt-pan.sh
```

Save the file, then restart -

```bash
sudo shutdown -r now
```

or

```bash
sudo systemctl reboot
```