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# WLAN Pi Advanced Deep Dive: the WLAN Pi now has an MCP

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I'm now on my way home from another week in Prague for WLPC. I was able to sit in the WLAN Pi Advanced class. I've been to all of the WLAN Pi deep dives over the years, and I don't have a very good memory for remembering all the terminal commands. When it comes time to put in a USB NIC, I have a hard time figuring out, is it wlan0 or wlan1? I don't remember.

What is the command to find out? Is the NIC in monitor mode? Years of taking these deep dives, and I still have to look up commands.

Think of my surprise and happiness when this year the WLAN Pi now has an MCP for its API!

I was just in love with this MCP access, because now I can just say, how many NICs do you see? And it would tell me. And which ones are in monitor mode? Oh, please put that one in managed mode for me. Loved it.

And you don't even have to type it. You can just talk to it.

Once you get it working, it's great. Wait for a week or so and the WLAN Pi Advanced Deep Dive instructions will be available as a cookbook, and you can try this too!

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