



IoT

Hardware Control using PHP

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Installing PHP and web server

- `sudo apt-get install apache2 php5`

or

Instead of Apache, you can install a more lightweight server like lighttpd

- `sudo apt-get install lighttpd php5`

Working thru Php code

- Executing applications with a PHP code can be done with two different functions: *exec* (for execute) and *system*.

system (string \$command, int \$return_var)

first parameter is the command to execute and the second one is the returned status of the executed command. The second parameter is optional.

Using system

```
<?php
```

```
    system ( "gpio mode 0 out" );
```

```
    system ( "gpio write 0 1" );
```

```
?>
```

Using exec

- it reads and stores what the command printed

```
<?php
```

```
    exec ( "gpio read 0", $status );
```

```
    print_r ( $status );
```

```
?>
```

exec (string \$command, array \$output, int \$return_var)

the only difference with systems is the \$output array,
which will store the command's output

```
<?php
```

```
$status = array ( 0 );
```

```
// set pins mode to output
```

```
for ($i = 0; $i <= 7; $i++ ) {
```

```
    system ( "gpio mode ".$i." out" );
```

```
}
```

```
// turns on the LEDs
```

```
for ($i = 0; $i <= 7; $i++ ) {
```

```
    system ( "gpio write ".$i." 1" );
```

```
}
```

```
// reads and prints the LEDs status
for ($i = 0; $i <= 7; $i++ ) {
    exec ( "gpio read ".$i, $status );
    echo ( $status[0] );
}
// waits 2 seconds
sleep ( 2 );
// turns off the LEDs
for ($i = 0; $i <= 7; $i++ ) {
    system ( "gpio write ".$i." 0" );
}
?>
```

Building Bridges : `shell_exec()` function

- Easiest way to use PHP with Raspberry Pi
- `shell_exec()` can call Python scripts that perform certain tasks and control GPIO pins.
- Another approach is to deploy the Wiring Pi library for working with GPIO pins and then use the library with PHP via the `shell_exec()` function

Install Wiring Pi

- The library is not available as a binary package, so you need to compile and install it from the source
- Start with installing the Git software using:

```
sudo apt-get install git-core
```

- Then, clone the Wiring Pi Git repository by running

```
git clone git://git.drogon.net/wiringPi
```

- Switch to the resulting wiringPi directory and use the `./build` command to compile and install Wiring Pi:

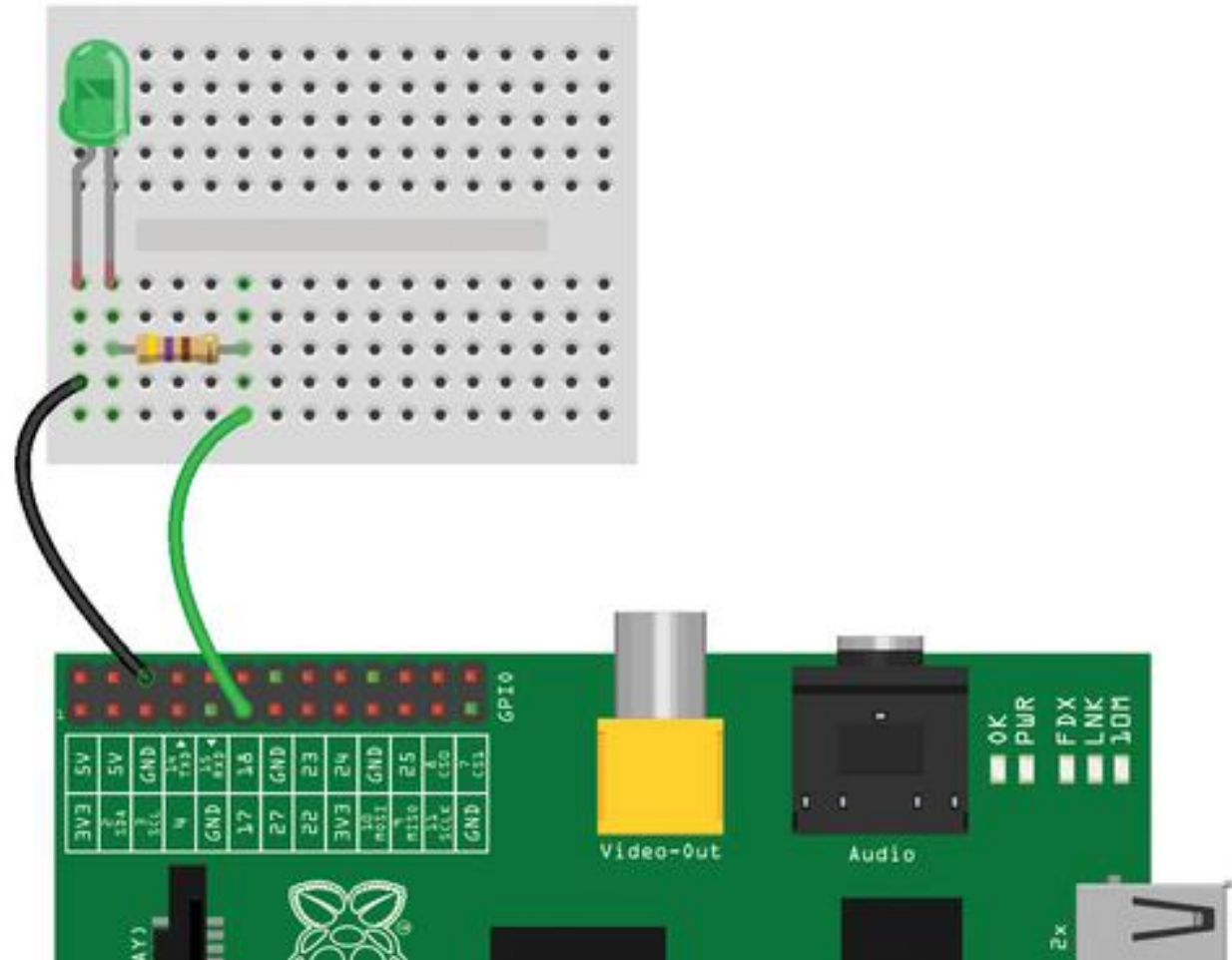
```
cd wiringPi
```

```
./build
```

Install Wiring Pi

- Testing wiring Pi is installed and works properly, run the command **gpio -v** it should return current version
- **gpio readall** command to view a detailed GPIO layout diagram.

Circuit



Simple PHP App to Control an LED

```
01 <html>
02 <head>
03 <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width" />
04 <title>LED Control</title>
05 </head>
06     <body>
07         LED Control:
08         <form method="get" action="gpio.php">
09             <input type="submit" value="ON" name="on">
10             <input type="submit" value="OFF" name="off">
11         </form>
```

Simple PHP App to Control an LED

```
12      <?php
13      $setmode17 = shell_exec("/usr/local/bin/gpio -g mode 17 out");
14      if(isset($_GET['on'])) {
15          $gpio_on = shell_exec("/usr/local/bin/gpio -g write 17 1");
16          echo "LED is on";
17      }
18      else if(isset($_GET['off'])) {
19          $gpio_off = shell_exec("/usr/local/bin/gpio -g write 17 0");
20          echo "LED is off";
21      }
22      ?>
23      </body>
24 </html>
```

<http://127.0.0.1/gpio.php>

<http://localhost/gpio.php>

- When you press one of the buttons, its value is passed as a part of the URL
(`gpio.php?on=ON` and `gpio.php?off=OFF`).
- GPIO pin 17 is controlled by PHP code that uses the `shell_exec()` function.

Problems

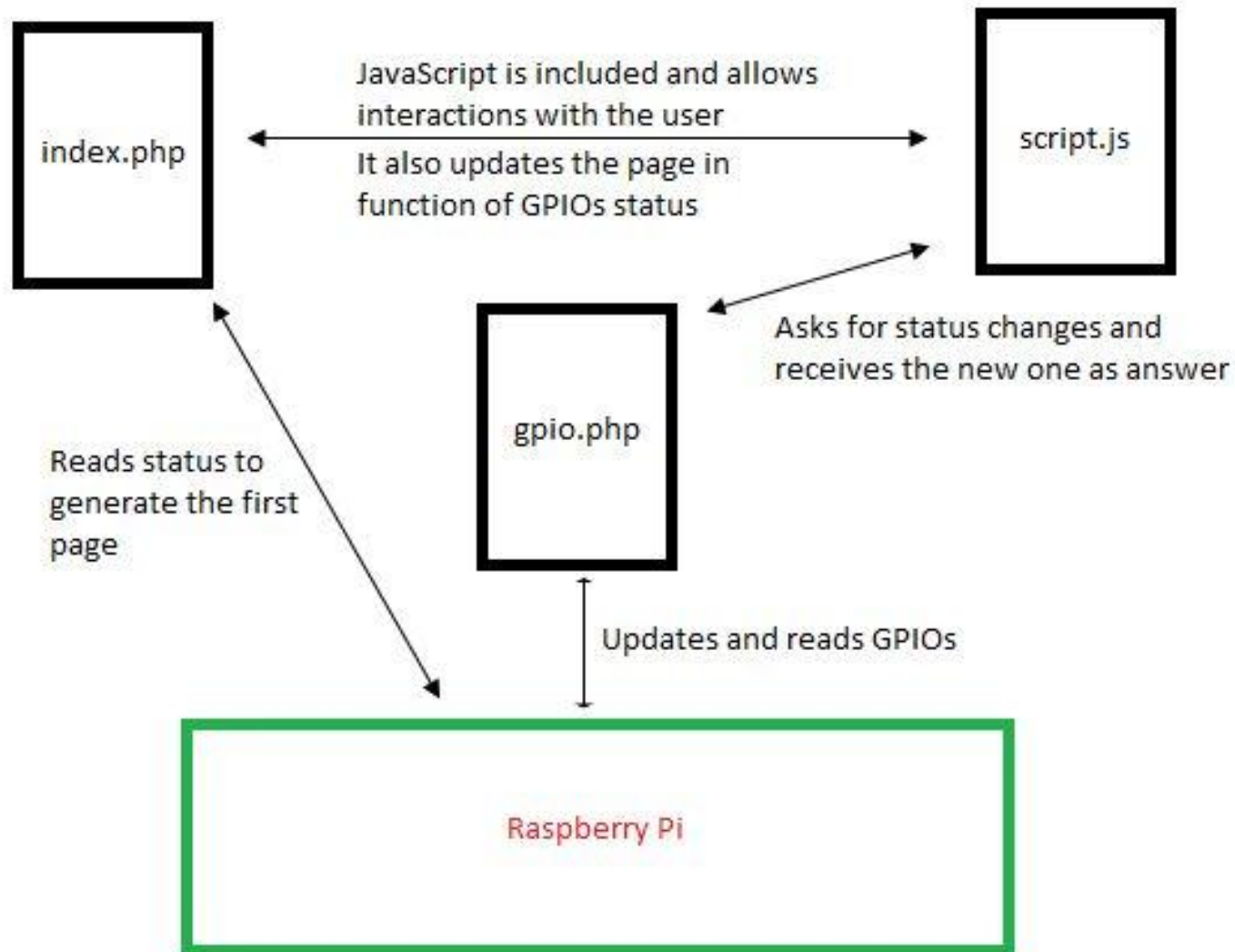
- If the buttons don't work, most likely the web server doesn't have appropriate rights to execute shell commands. To fix this, run the `sudo visudo` command and add the following line to the `sudoers` file:
- `www-data ALL=NOPASSWD: ALL` Also, make sure that the `/var/www` directory belongs to the `www-data` user and group (use `sudo chown -R www-data:www-data /var/www` to set the correct owner).

Switch

Trigger switch:

```

08      <form method="get" action="switch.php">
09          <input type="submit" value="Trigger" name="switch">
10      </form>
11      <?php
12          $setmode17 = shell_exec("/usr/local/bin/gpio -g mode 17 out");
13          if(isset($_GET['switch'])) {
14              $gpio_off = shell_exec("/usr/local/bin/gpio -g write 17 1");
15              sleep (0.5);
16              $gpio_on = shell_exec("/usr/local/bin/gpio -g write 17 0");
17              echo "Done!";
18          }
19      ?>
    
```

More Easy route thru PHP -**gpio-php**

- php-gpio project, provides a dedicated PHP library for accessing GPIO pin on Raspberry Pi.
- install the library and the accompanying files into the /home/pi directory

wget <http://getcomposer.org/composer.phar>

php composer.phar create-project --
stability='dev'ronanguilloux/php-gpio

- Php script must contain the following code
`require 'vendor/autoload.php';`
`use PhpGpio\Gpio;`
`$gpio = new GPIO();`
`$gpio->setup(17, "out");`
- Php code to switch LED on/off
`$gpio->output(17, 1)`
`$gpio->output(17, 0)`
- `$gpio->unexportAll()` command resets all pins.

```
01 <?php
02 require 'vendor/autoload.php';
03 use PhpGpio\Gpio;
04 $gpio = new GPIO();
05 $gpio->setup(17, "out");
06 while (true) {
07     $gpio->output(17, 1);
08     sleep(1);
09     $gpio->output(17, 0);
10     sleep(1);
11 }
```

- gpio-php cannot be used directly in PHP pages served by a web server.
- Soln :

```
shell_exec('sudo php path/to/php-gpio/\nblink_led.php > /dev/null 2> /dev/null &');
```

Calling python code from web page

```
<?php
    if (isset($_POST['on']))
    {
        exec("sudo killall python");
        exec("sudo python /var/www/mystuff/ledON.py");
    } else if (isset($_POST['off'])) {
        exec("sudo killall python");
        exec("sudo python /var/www/mystuff/ledOFF.py");
    } else if (isset($_POST['blink'])) {
        exec("sudo python /var/www/mystuff/ledBLINK.py");
    }
?>
```

- <http://www.instructables.com/id/Simple-and-intuitive-web-interface-for-your-Raspbe/step5/Making-the-interface/>