

EE536: Project Proposal

Name of the project : BlueControl

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Short Description : Sending SCPI commands from a basic computer unit to scientific devices via Raspberry Pi. Commands will be sent from the computer unit to Raspberry Pi through bluetooth.

Required Components :

Raspberry Pi 3 B+ & Power Adapter

500 MHz / 1 GHz Oscilloscope

PLC Counter / (Voltage Sensor + Analog to Digital Converter) / Digital Multimeter

Ethernet Cable + USB Cable(s)

Jumper Wires

Breadboard

Laptop / Arduino Uno (with bluetooth board)

Solution Details:

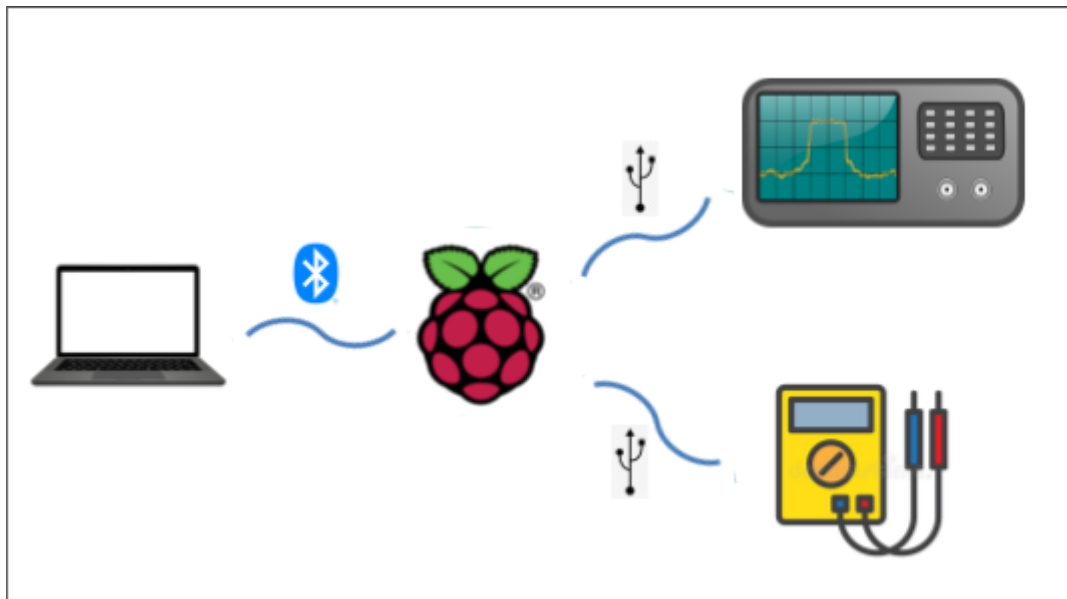


Figure 1 : Graphical Representation of the System

- Library for sending scpi commands to instruments from Rpi - **PyVISA**
(<https://pypi.org/project/PyVISA-py/>)
- Library for sending scpi commands from laptop to Rpi using Bluetooth - **PyBluez**
(<https://pypi.org/project/PyBluez/>)

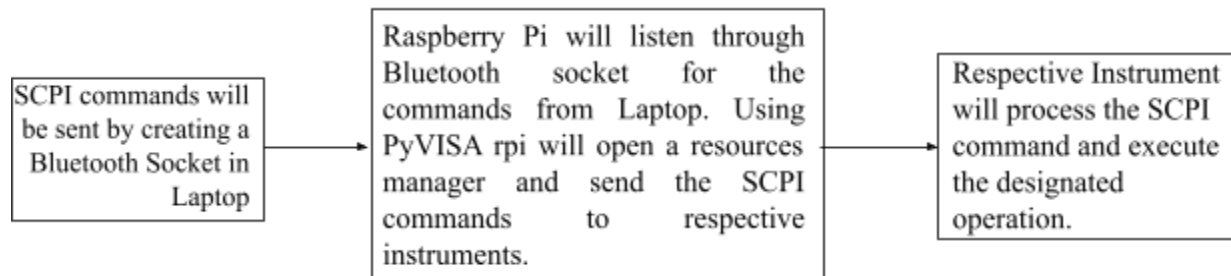


Figure 1: Data Flow Chart depicting the flow of scpi commands from laptop to devices.

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• SCPI_Write(scp_i_t* context, const char* data, size_t len)
• SCPI_Flush(scp_i_t* context)
• SCPI_Error(scp_i_t* context, int_fast16_t err)
• SCPI_Control(scp_i_t* context, scp_i_ctrl_name_t ctrl, scp_i_reg_val_t val)
• SCPI_Reset(scp_i_t* context)
  
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Figure 2 : List of SCPI commands that can be used for this project

(Reference : <https://hackaday.com/2021/11/17/scpi-on-teaching-your-devices-the-lingua-franca-of-laboratories/>)

Plan to use sensors : No (But might use voltage sensor, if required)

Milestone 1 : 9th May, 2023

Send scpi commands from a Laptop to the Raspberry Pi via Bluetooth Interface.

Milestone 2 : 16th May, 2023

Send scpi commands from a Laptop to two devices through Rpi.