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Interfacing starter kit with Raspberry pi



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Introduction:

Raspberry Pi is a credit card sized computer that plugs into a computer monitor or TV, and uses standard keyboard and mouse. It's capable of doing everything you'd expect a desktop computer to do, from browsing the internet and playing high-definition video, to making spreadsheets, word-processing, and playing games. Here we are going to interface starter kit with Raspberry Pi.

Hardware Requirements:

- 1. Raspberry Pi board.
- 2. Starter kit

Starter kit:

A useful and fun project for hackers/developers wanting to start programming and access the Raspberry Pi's GPIO port.

The starter kit board is a simple self-assembly kit for Raspberry Pi, that adds 2 LEDs, a Buzzer, 2 Push-buttons, Temperature sensor, Light sensor and a Potentiometer with an analog to digital convertor chipset (MCP3008).

MCP3008 IC:

The MCP3008 10-bit Analog-to-Digital Converter (ADC) combines high performance and low power consumption in a small package, making it ideal for embedded control applications. The MCP3008 features a successive approximation register (SAR) architecture and an industry-standard SPI serial interface. The MCP3008 features 200k samples/second, 8 input channels, low power consumption (5nA typical standby, 425μ A typical active), and is available in 16-pin PDIP and SOIC packages. Applications for the MCP3008 include data acquisition, instrumentation and measurement, multi-channel data loggers, industrial PCs, motor control, robotics, industrial automation, smart sensors, portable instrumentation and home medical appliances.

Pin diagram:

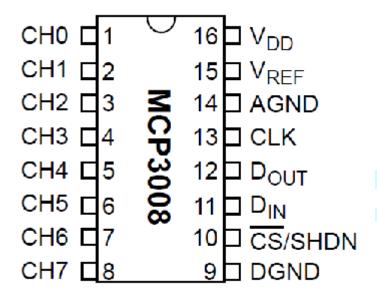


Figure 1

LDR:

A **Light Dependent Resistor** (LDR) or a photo resistor is a device whose resistivity is a function of the incident electromagnetic radiation. Hence, they are light sensitive devices. They are also called as photo conductors, photo conductive cells or simply photocells. They are made up of semiconductor materials having high resistance. There are many different symbols used to indicate a **LDR**, one of the most commonly used symbol is shown in the figure below. The arrow indicates light falling on it.



Potentiometer:

A **potentiometer**, informally a pot, is a three-terminal resistor with a sliding or rotating contact that forms an adjustable voltage divider. If only two terminals are used, one end and the wiper, it acts as a variable resistor

Temperature sensor:

The LM35 series are precision integrated-circuit temperature devices with an output voltage linearly- proportional to the Centigrade temperature. The LM35 device has an advantage over linear temperature sensors calibrated in Kelvin, as the user is not required to subtract a large constant voltage from the output to obtain convenient Centigrade scaling.

SPI Interface:

The Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI) bus was developed by Motorola to provide full-duplex synchronous serial communication between master and slave devices. The SPI bus is commonly used for communication with flash memory, sensors, real-time clocks (RTCs), analog-to-digital converters, and more.

As shown in Figure, standard SPI masters communicate with slaves using the serial clock (SCK), Master out Slave in (MOSI), Master in Slave out (MISO), and Slave Select (SS) lines. The SCK, MOSI, and MISO signals can be shared by slaves while each slave has a unique SS line.



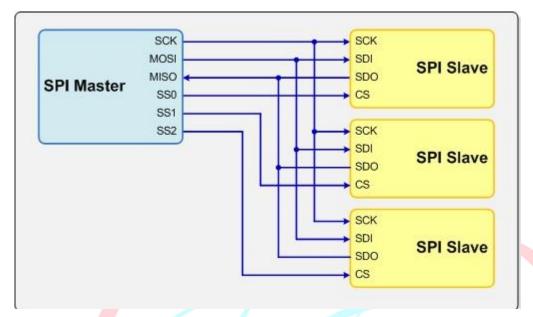


Figure 2

Polarity and Clock Phase

The SPI interface defines no protocol for data exchange, limiting overhead and allowing for high speed data streaming. Clock polarity (CPOL) and clock phase (CPHA) can be specified as '0' or '1' to form four unique modes to provide flexibility in communication between master and slave. If CPOL and CPHA are both '0' (defined as Mode 0) data is sampled at the leading rising edge of the clock. Mode 0 is by far the most common mode for SPI bus slave communication. If CPOL is '1' and CPHA is '0' (Mode 2), data is sampled at the leading falling edge of the clock. Likewise, CPOL = '0' and CPHA = '1' (Mode 1) results in data sampled at on the trailing falling edge and CPOL = '1' with CPHA = '1' (Mode 3) results in data sampled on the trailing rising edge. Table 1 below summarizes the available modes.

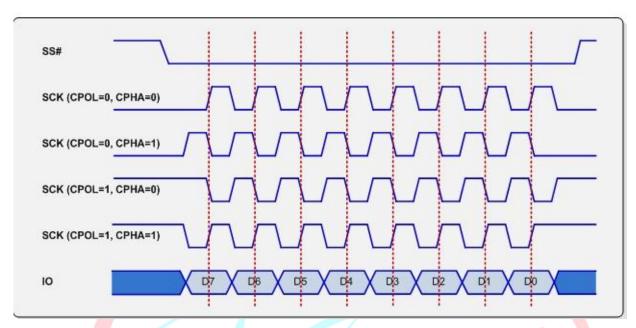


Figure 3

Enabling SPI on raspberry pi:

Start by running the following command:

Sudo raspi-config

> This will launch the raspi-config utility. Select option 8 "Advanced Options".

```
â Setup Options
â
    1 Expand Filesystem
                                  Ensures that all of the SD card storage
â
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    2 Change User Password
                                  Change password for the default user (p
                                                                       @ @ @ @ @ @ @ @ @ @
    3 Enable Boot to Desktop/Scratch
                                  Choose whether to boot into a desktop e
â
    4 Internationalisation Options
                                  Set up language and regional settings t
                                  Enable this Pi to work with the Raspber
    5 Enable Camera
    6 Add to Rastrack
                                  Add this Pi to the online Raspberry Pi
â
â
â
    7 Overclock
                                  Configure overclocking for your Pi
                                  Information about this configuration to
    9 About raspi-config
â
                    <Select>
                                              <Finish>
```

Figure 4

> Select the "SPI" option.

```
â Advanced Options
   Al Overscan
                            You may need to configure overscan if b
                            Set the visible name for this Pi on a n
   A2 Hostname
   A3 Memory Split
                            Change the amount of memory made availa
                            Enable/Disable remote command line acce
   A4 SSH
                            Force audio out through HDMI or 3.5mm j
   A6 Audio
   A7 Update
                            Update this tool to the latest version
                 <Select>
                                      <Back>
```

Figure 5

Set the option to "Yes".

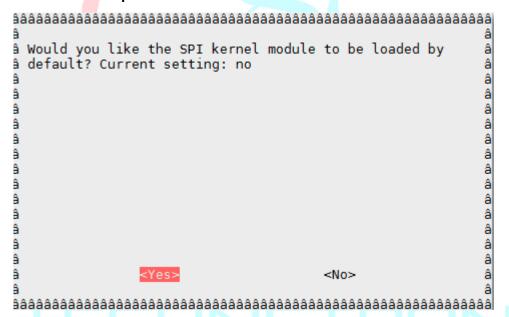


Figure 6

Select "OK".



Figure 7

Select "Finish"

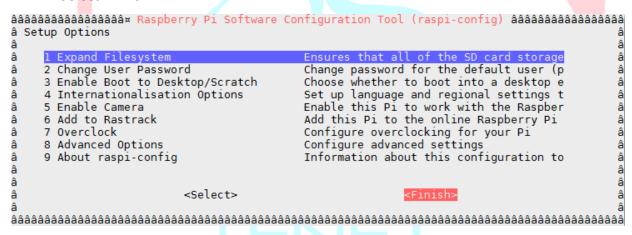


Figure 8

Reboot for the changes to take effect :

Sudo reboot

- > SPI is now enabled.
- In order to read data from the SPI bus in Python we can install a library called 'pyspidev'. To install it we first need to install 'python-dev':

Sudo apt-get install python2.7-dev

Then to finish we can download 'py-spidev' and compile it ready for use :

wget https://github.com/Gadgetoid/py-spidev/archive/master.zip

unzip master.zip
rm master.zip
cd py-spidev-master
sudo python setup.py install
cd ..

Raspberry Pin	Starter kit
7 & 11	LED's
15 & 33	Push Button
13	Buzzer
Channel 0 (MCP3008)	Potentiometer
Channel 1 (MCP3008)	LDR
Channel 2 (MCP3008)	LM35

Code:

LED Blinking

import RPi.GPIO as GPIO

from time import sleep

GPIO.setmode (GPIO.BOARD)

GPIO.setup (11,GPIO.OUT)

GPIO.setup (7,GPIO.OUT)

while 1:

try:

GPIO.output(11,GPIO.HIGH)

sleep (1)

GPIO.output (11,GPIO.LOW)

sleep (1)

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```
GPIO.output(7,GPIO.HIGH)
sleep (1)
GPIO.output (7,GPIO.LOW)
sleep (1)

except KeyboardInterrupt:
GPIO.cleanup()
```

Push Button

```
import RPi.GPIO as GPIO

from time import sleep

GPIO.setmode (GPIO.BOARD)

GPIO.setup(12,GPIO.IN,pull_up_down=GPIO.PUD_DOWN)

while 1:

    try:

    if GPIO.input(12)==True:
        print "1"

    else:
        print "0"

    except KeyboardInterrupt:
        GPIO.cleanup()
```

Buzzer

import RPi.GPIO as GPIO from time import sleep GPIO.setmode (GPIO.BOARD) GPIO.setup (11,GPIO.OUT) while 1:

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GPIO.output(11,GPIO.HIGH)

sleep (1)

GPIO.output (11,GPIO.LOW)

sleep (1)

except KeyboardInterrupt:

GPIO.cleanup()
```

Measuring Temperature with an ADC

```
import spidev, time
spi = spidev. SpiDev()
spi. open(0, 0)
def analog_read(channel):
    r = spi. xfer2([1, (8 + channel) << 4, 0])
    adc_out = ((r[1] & 3) << 8) + r[2]
    return adc_out
while True:
    reading = analog_read(0)
    voltage = reading * 3.3 / 1024
    temp_c = voltage /.01
    temp_f = temp_c * 9.0 / 5.0 + 32
    print("Temp C=%f\t\tTemp f=%f" % (temp_c, temp_f))
    time. sleep(1)</pre>
```

Measuring Potentiometer with an ADC

import spidev, time

```
spi = spidev. SpiDev()
spi. open(0, 0)
def analog_read(channel):
    r = spi. xfer2([1, (8 + channel) << 4, 0])
    adc_out = ((r[1] &3) << 8) + r[2]
    return adc_out
while True:
    reading = analog_read(0)
    voltage = reading * 3.3 / 1024
    print("Potentiometer value =%d\t\tVoltage f=%f" % (reading, voltage))
    time. sleep(1)</pre>
```

Measuring LDR with an ADC

```
import spidev, time
spi = spidev. SpiDev()
spi. open(0, 0)

def analog_read(channel):
    r = spi. xfer2([1, (8 + channel) << 4, 0])
    adc_out = ((r[1] & 3) << 8) + r[2]
    return adc_out

while True:
    reading = analog_read(0)
    voltage = reading * 3.3 / 1024
    print("LDR value =%d\t\tVoltage f=%f" % (reading, voltage))
    time. sleep(1)</pre>
```

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Experiment 01: LED interface



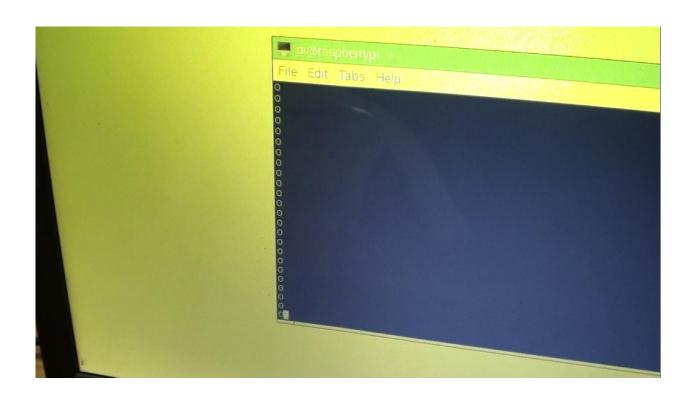
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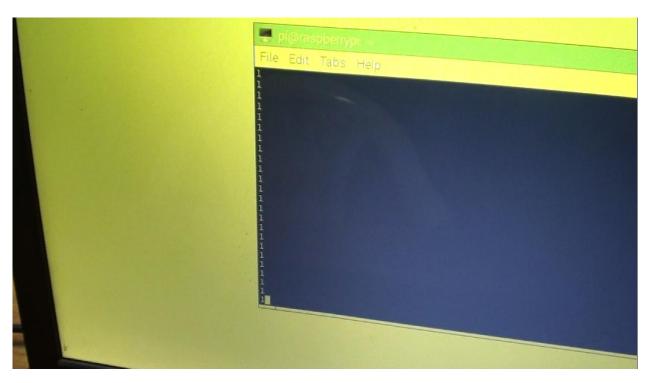


Experiment 02: Push Button



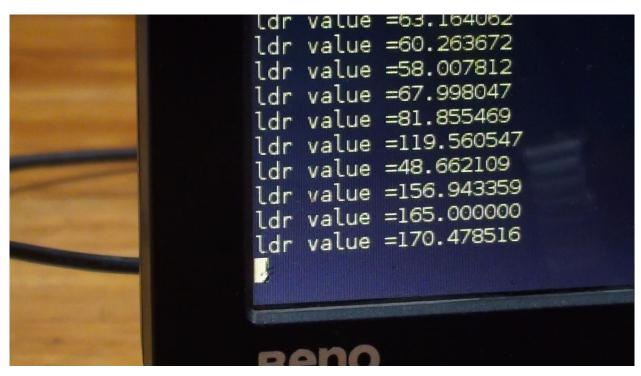
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Experiment 03: Light sensor





Experiment 04: Potentiometer

```
pot value 219.462891
pot value 218.818359
pot value 220.107422
pot value 200.771484
pot value 186.591797
pot value 176.601562
pot value 162.744141
pot value 142.763672
pot value 116.982422
```



Experiment 05: Temperature sensor

```
pot value 329.677734

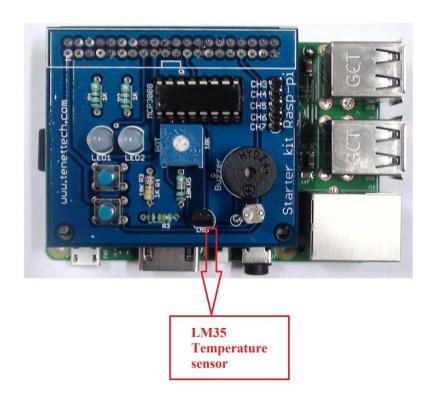
^CTraceback (most recent call last):
    File "spi_pot.py", line 14, in <module>
        time.sleep(1)

KeyboardInterrupt

pi@raspberrypi:~ $ sudo python spi.py

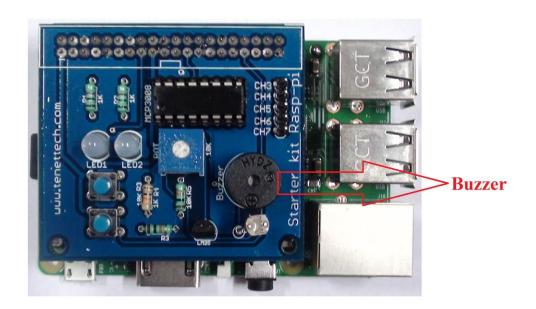
temp C =30.615234 TEmp= 87.107422

temp C =30.615234 TEmp= 87.107422
```



Experiment 06: Buzzer

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