

CSCI 4907

Introduction to IoT and Edge Computing Applications

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Week 3 [02/10/2023]

- IoT Architecture and Ecosystem
- Layers in IoT systems - 3 level layer model
- Sensors
- Sensor types and considerations
- Setting up the Edge Lab
- In-class Raspberry Pi Lab (Ultrasound sensors)
- Proximity sensing using Thonny IDE
- Proximity sensing using bash script
- Proximity sensing on boot

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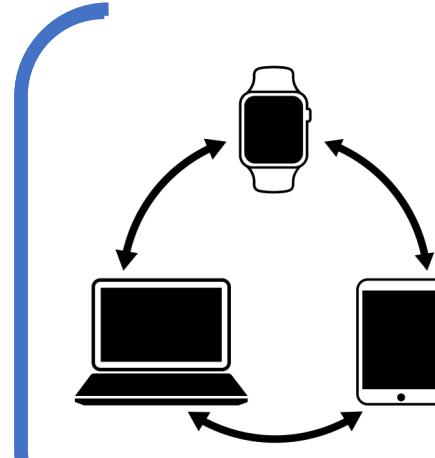
Short walk back

- What's the “thing” in IoT?

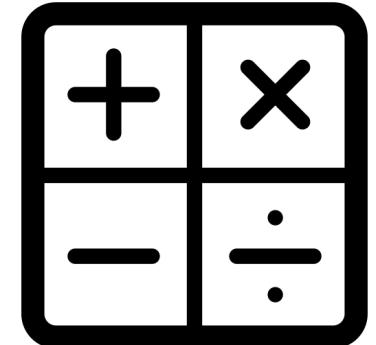
Paradigm #1

- A **thing** is self-contained and only operates within the confines of its physical shell.
 - **Thing** carries out only those functions that its designer envisioned when it was fabricated.
- The **thing** contains a powerful computer inside but is completely hidden from the user.
- The **thing** has firmware (not called software).

Paradigm #2



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Paradigm #3

Two questions up for discussion

1. How should we start perceiving an IoT system, physically ?



2. How / Where do we place the “thing” in that system ?

Keywords:

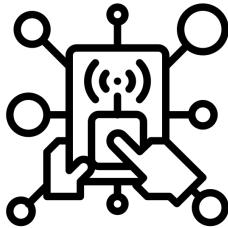
Small, functional, re-envisioning applications, efficient, sensor-driven, smart-sensors, connectivity, autonomy, data-driven, durability, fault tolerance, interoperability

Proximity to data, compute-power, network, distributed-network etc.

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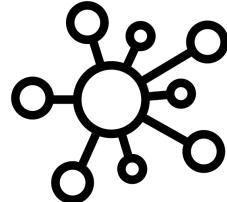
Building up the IoT Architecture and Ecosystem

Information-layer



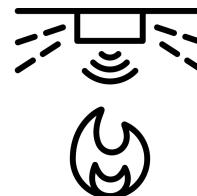
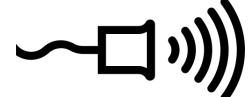
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Communication-layer



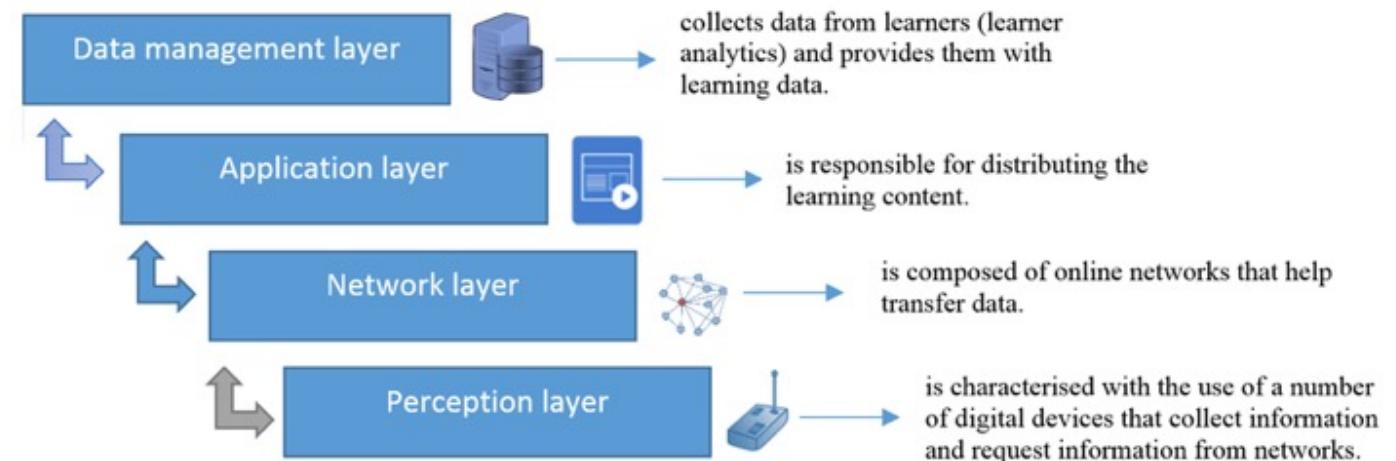
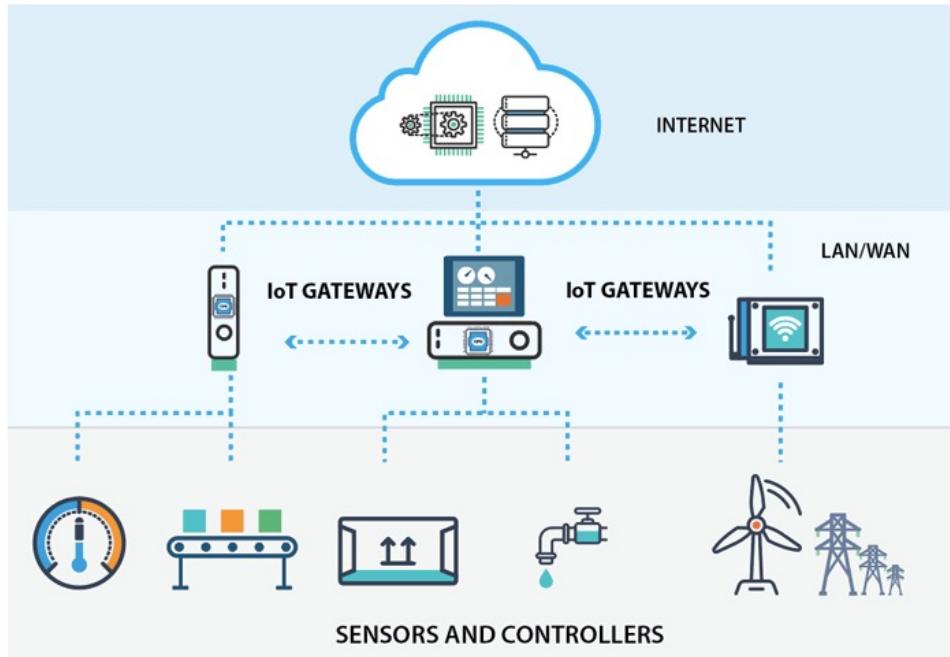
Connectivity

Sensor-layer

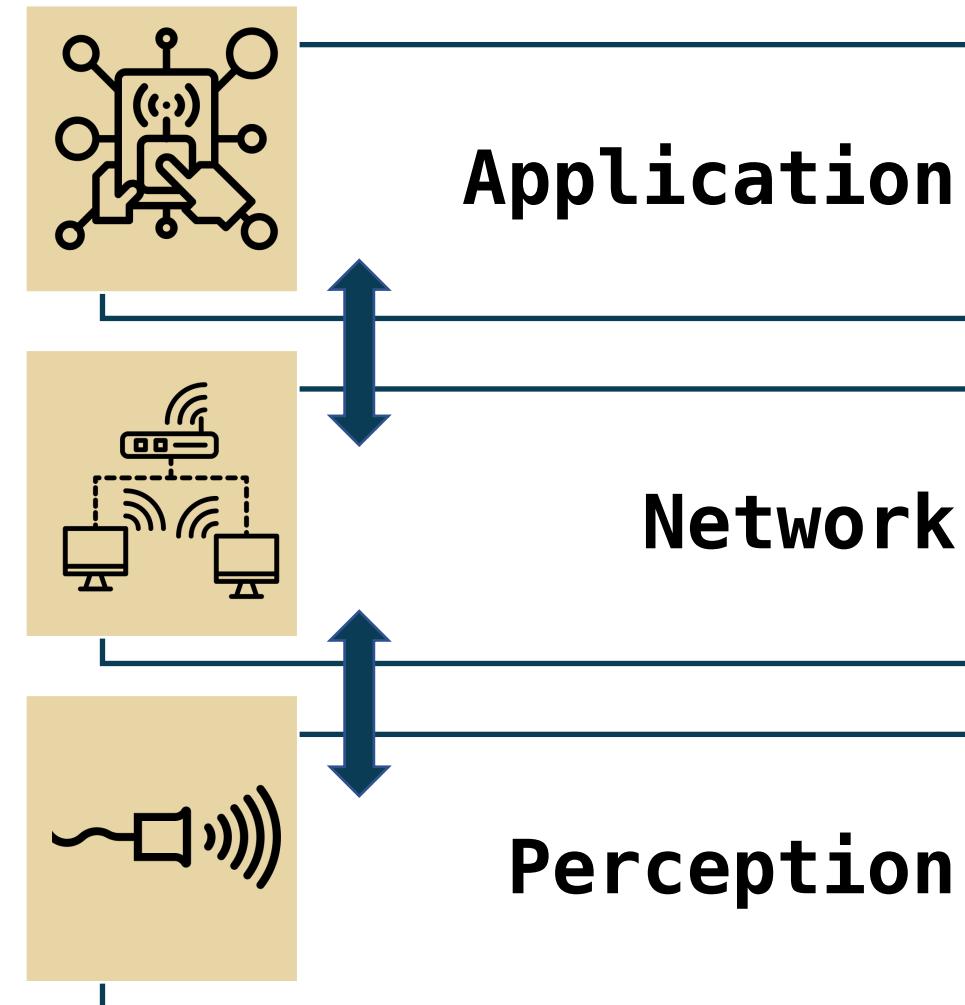


Things

Refining and defining the 3-Layer IoT Architecture



The 3-Layer IoT Architecture



Sensors and the IoT perception layer



What is a sensor?

A device that receives a stimulus and responds with an electrical signal.

Reference: Fraden, Jacob, Handbook of Modern Sensors, 4th ed. New York: Springer, 2010.

A device that responds to a physical input of interest with a recordable, functionally related output that is usually electrical or optical.

Reference: Jones, Deric P., Biomedical Sensors, 1st ed. New York: Momentum Press, 2010.

A sensor generally refers to a device that converts a physical measure into a signal that is read by an observer or by an instrument.

Reference: Chen, K. Y., K. F. Janz, W. Zhu, and R. J. Brychta, "Redefining the roles of sensors in objective physical activity monitoring," *Medicine and Science in Sports and Exercise*, vol. 44, pp. 13–12, 2012.

A device which provides a usable output in response to a specific measurand.

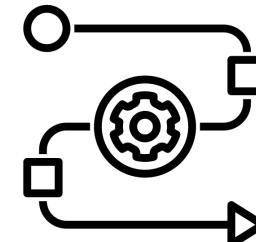
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What is a transducer?

A converter of any one type of energy into another [as opposed to a sensor, which] converts any type of energy into electrical energy.

Reference: Fraden, Jacob, Handbook of Modern Sensors, 4th ed. New York: Springer, 2010.

Key idea



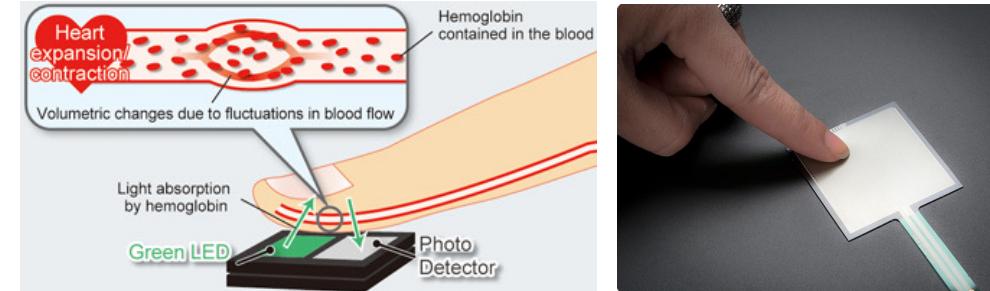
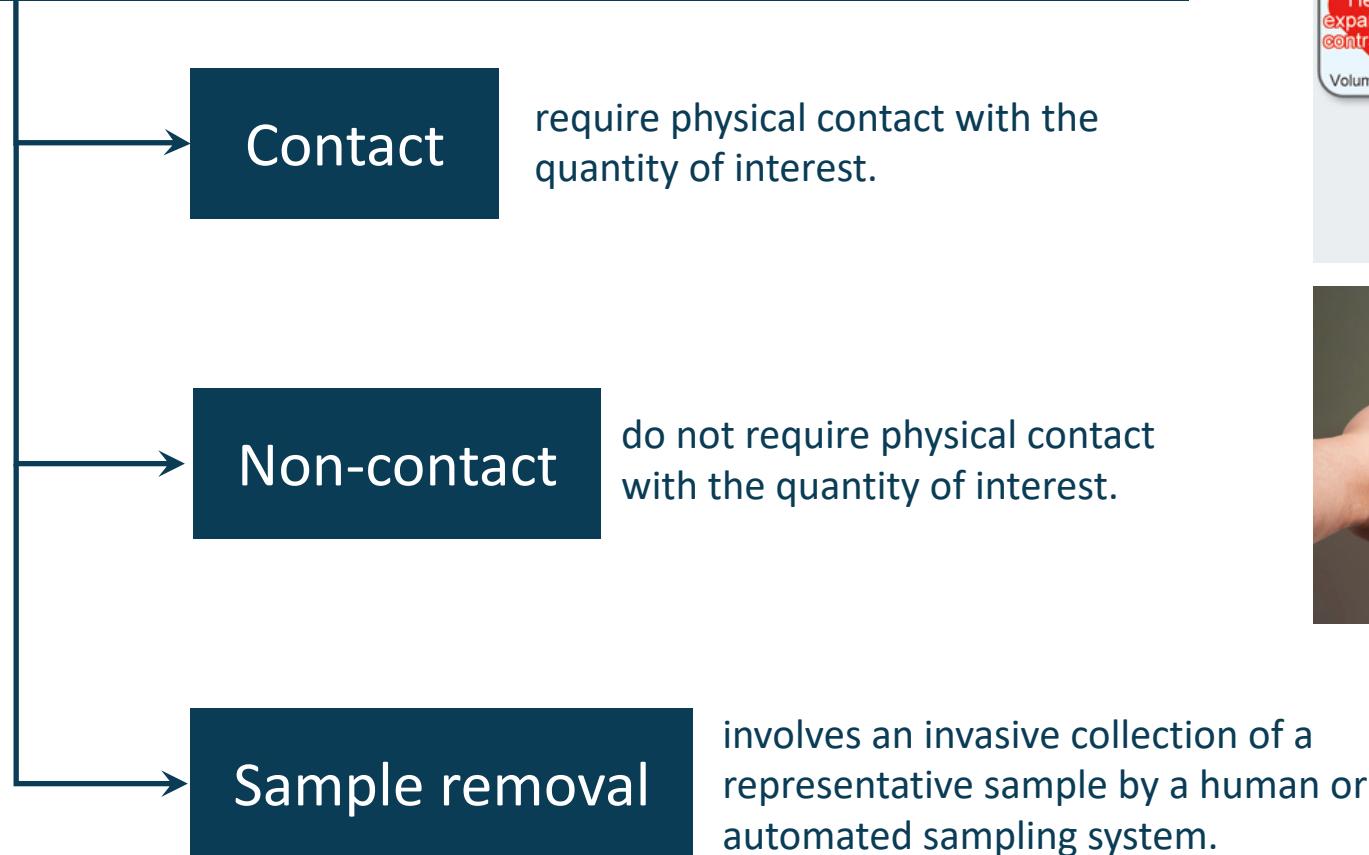
Energy conversion

A sensor differs from a transducer in that a sensor converts the received signal into electrical form only.

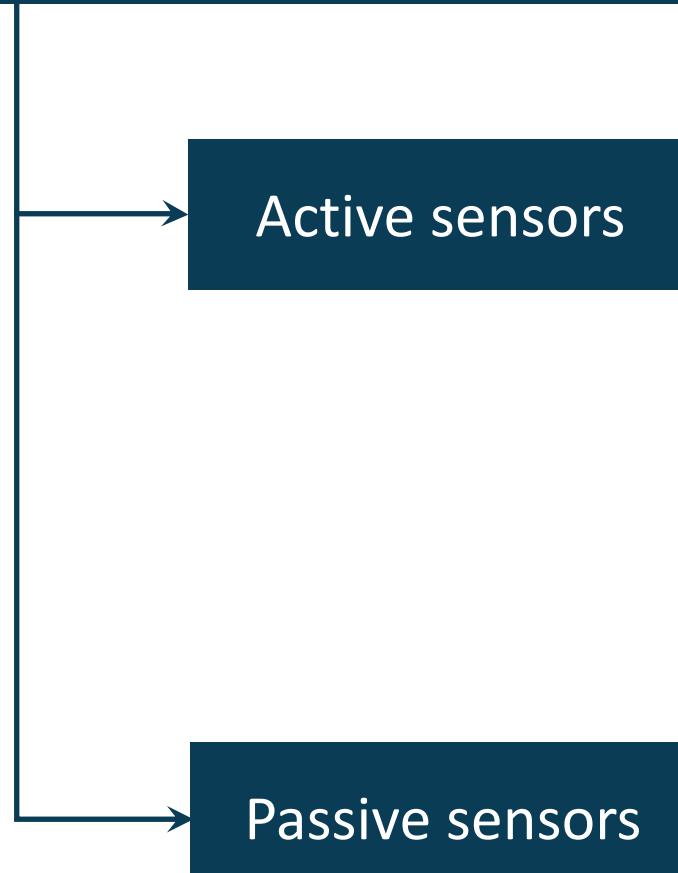
A sensor collects information from the real world. A transducer only converts energy from one form to another.

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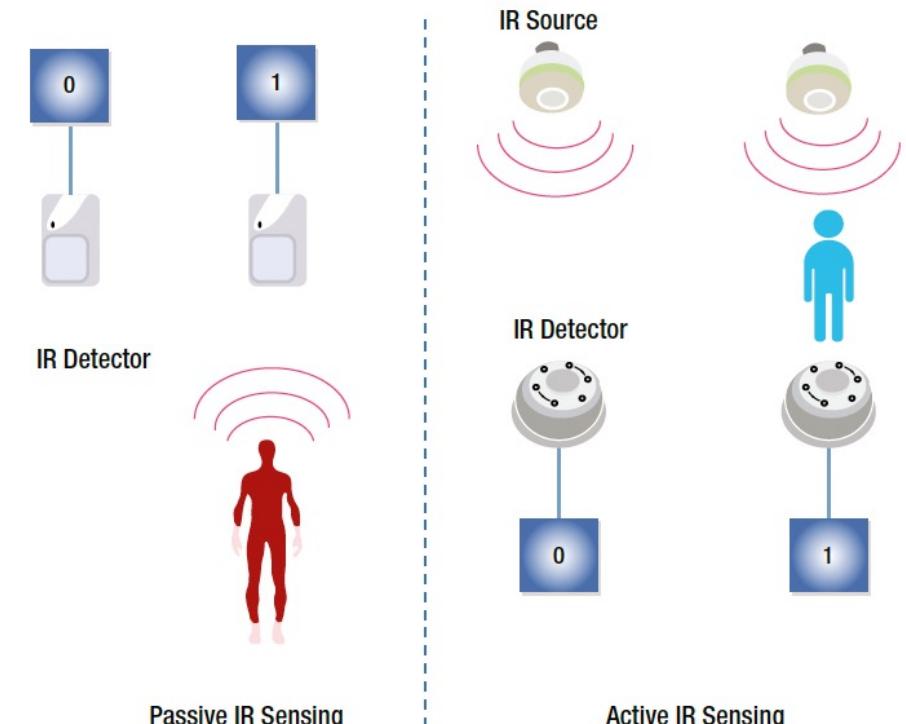
Sensor measurement classification-based on proximity to the measurand



Sensor classification-based on power requirements



- require an external circuitry or mechanism to power them up.
- do not require external circuitry provide it with power
- directly respond to the external stimuli from its ambient environment and converts it into an output signal.



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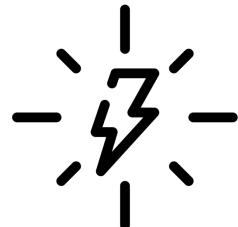
Sensing considerations

Resolution:

Minimum discernable measurement



Energy consumption

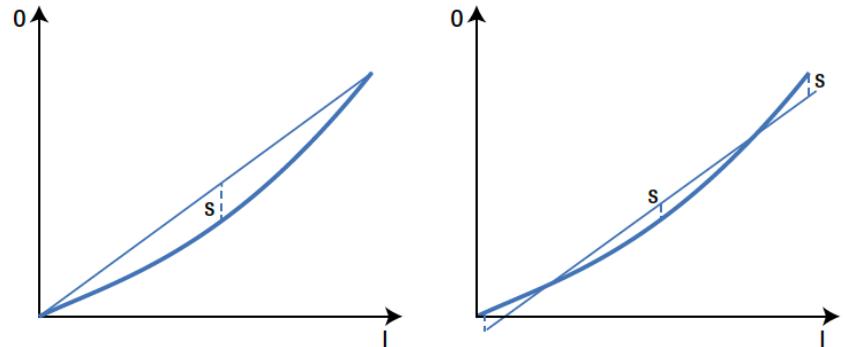


Sensing range:

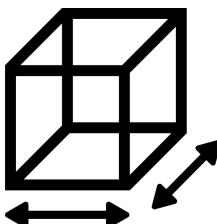
Maximum and minimum of the possible measurement



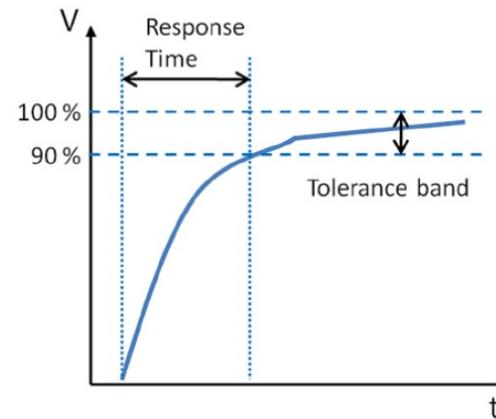
Linearity and the transfer function



Device size and form factor

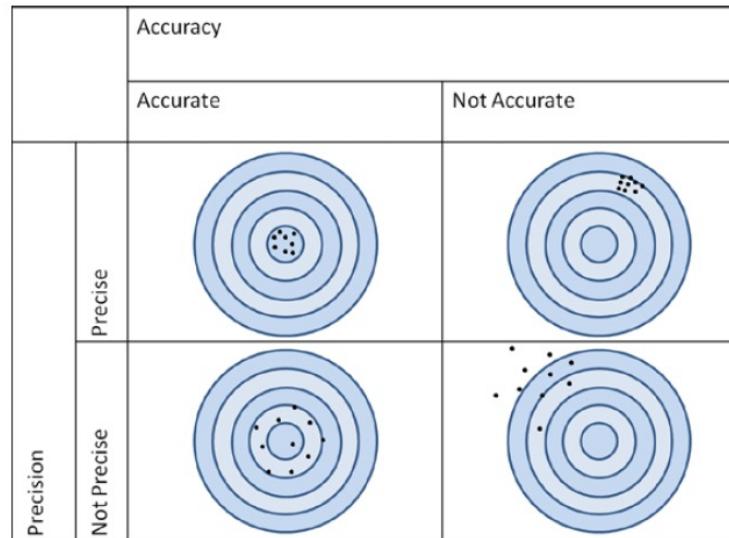


Response time



Sensing errors

Accuracy and Precision



$$\text{Percentage Relative Error} = \frac{(\text{Measured Value} - \text{True Value})}{(\text{True Value})} \times 100$$

$$\text{Percentage Standard Deviation} = \frac{(\text{Standard Deviation})}{(\text{Mean})} \times 100$$

Systematic Errors

Systematic errors are reproducible inaccuracies that can be corrected with compensation methods, such as feedback, filtering, and calibration

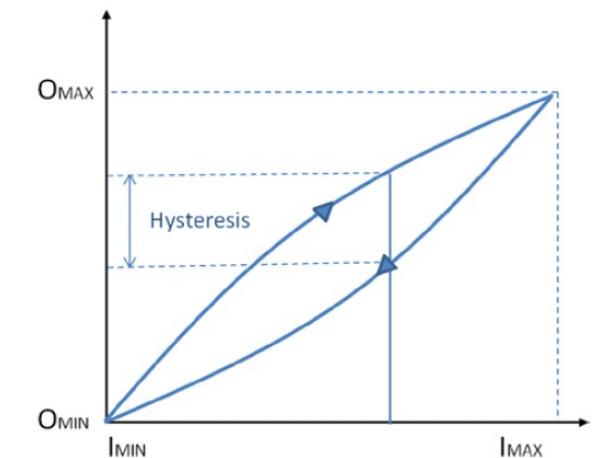
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Random error

Random error (also called noise) is a signal component that carries no information.

The quality of a signal is expressed quantitatively as the signal-to-noise ratio (SNR), which is the ratio of the true signal amplitude to the standard deviation of the noise.

Hysteresis

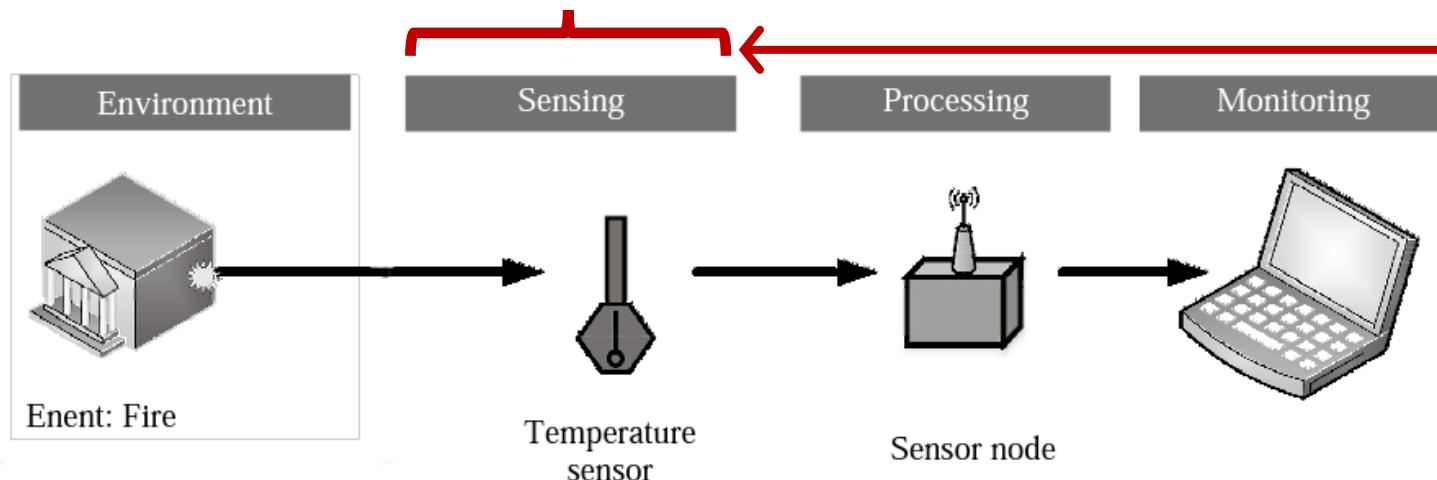
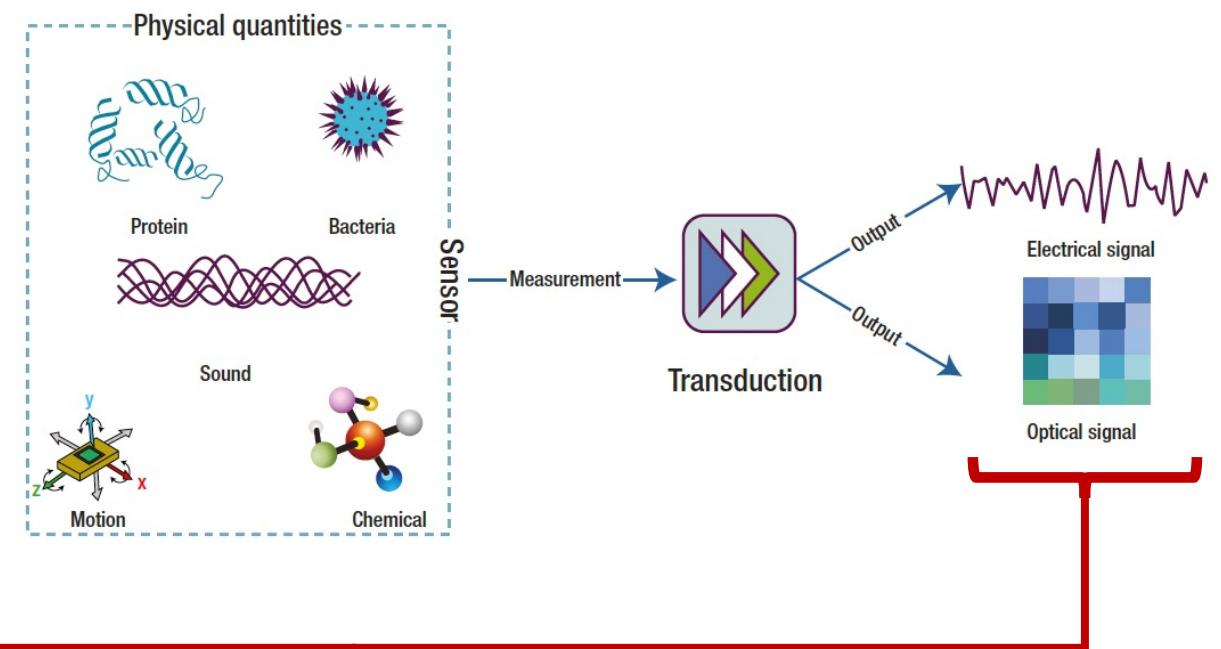


Repeatability

Repeatability is the ability of a sensor to produce the same output when the same input is applied to it.

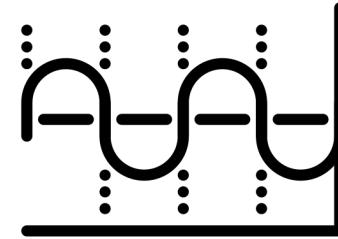
Outline of a Sensing Operation

Sensor measurements are converted by a transducer into a signal that represents the quantity of interest to an observer or to the external world.



In the IoT-framework, sensor signals and data are communicated to a remote monitor by a processor through a network

Digitization of Sensor Measurands



Frequency is the number of occurrences of a repeating event per unit **time**.

$$\bullet \quad f = 0.5 \text{ Hz}$$
$$T = 2.0 \text{ s}$$

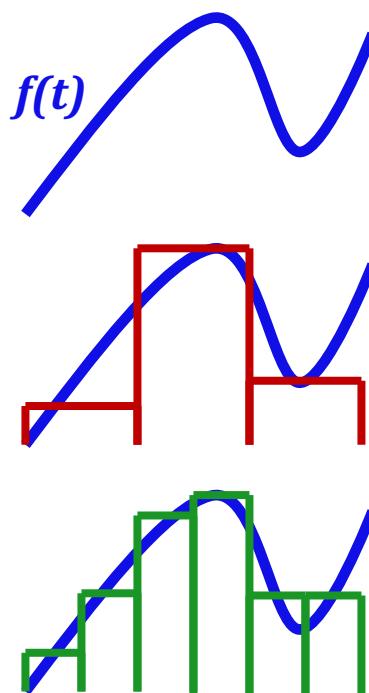
$$\bullet \quad f = 1.0 \text{ Hz}$$
$$T = 1.0 \text{ s}$$

$$\bullet \quad f = 2.0 \text{ Hz}$$
$$T = 0.5 \text{ s}$$

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The **sampling frequency** or **sampling rate**, f_s , is the average number of samples obtained in one second (*samples per second*), thus $f_s = 1/T$.



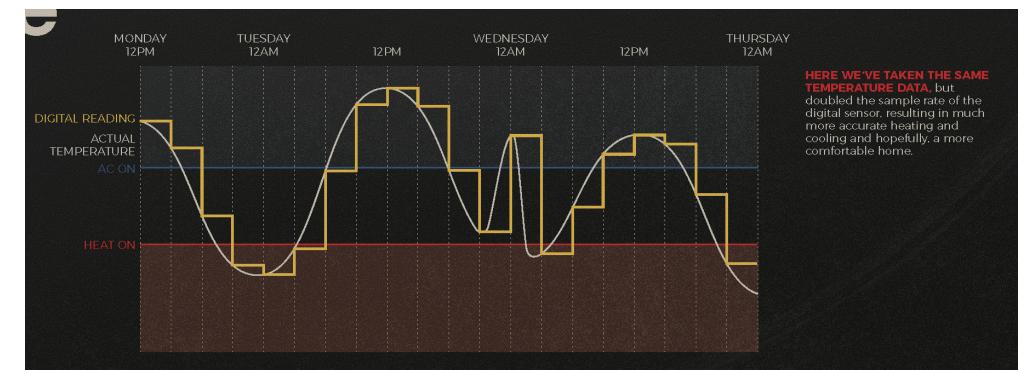
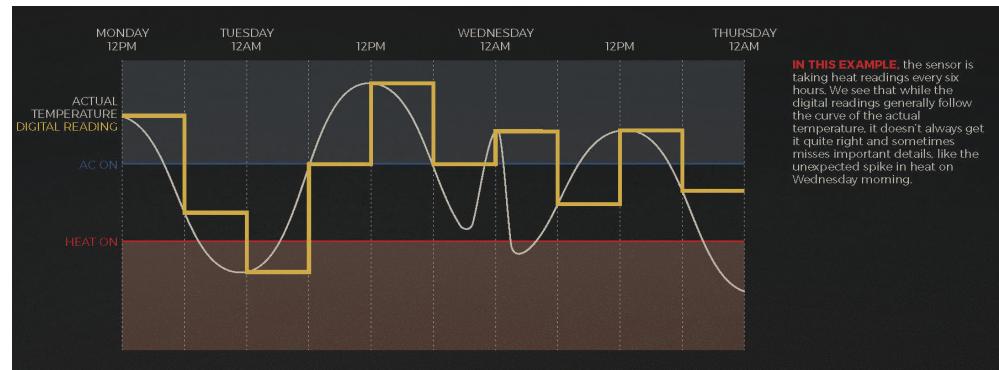
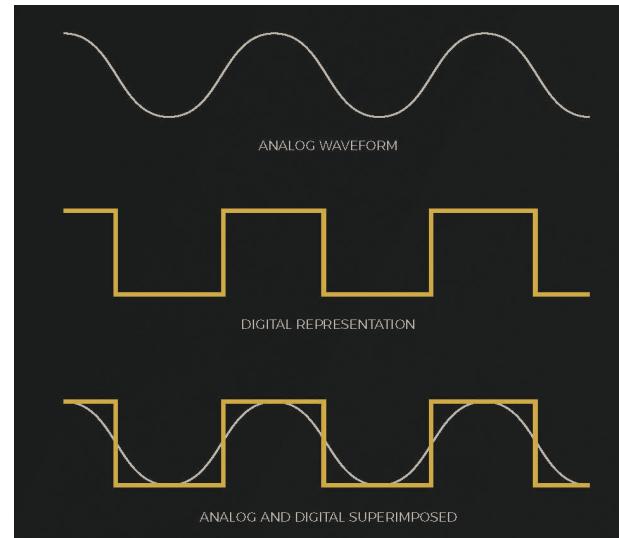
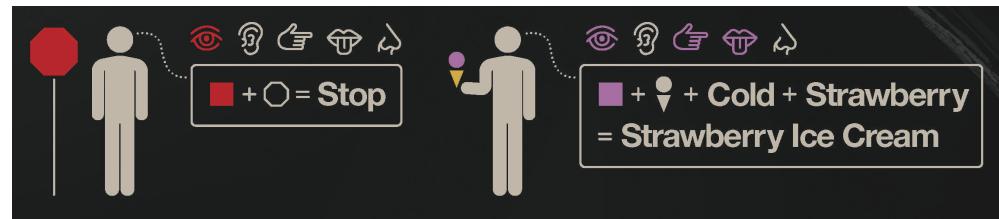
The general range of hearing for young people is **20 Hz to 20000 Hz**.

Audio CD, most commonly used with MPEG-1 audio is sampled at **44100 Hz**

HD DVD (High-Definition DVD) audio tracks are sampled at **98000 Hz**

*The approximately double-rate requirement is a consequence of the **Nyquist theorem**.*

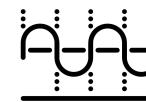
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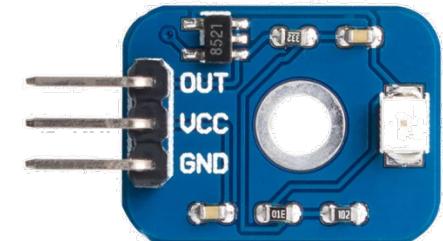
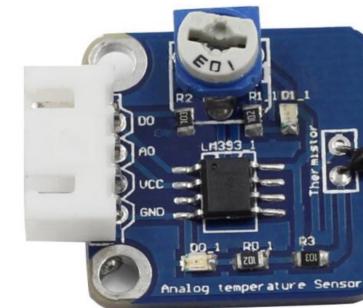
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Sensor classification-based on output

Analog sensors



- Output signals are proportional (linearly or non-linearly) to the quantity being measured
- continuous in time and amplitude

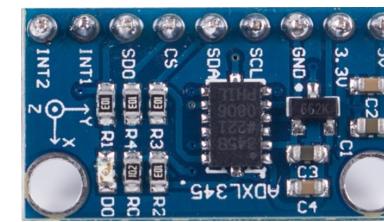


UV detection sensor module

Digital sensors



- Discrete time representation of the quantity being measured
- Binary signals in the form of logic-1 and logic-0
- Output as a single bit (serial transmission) or eight-bit (byte, parallel transmission)



Digital Accelerometer module

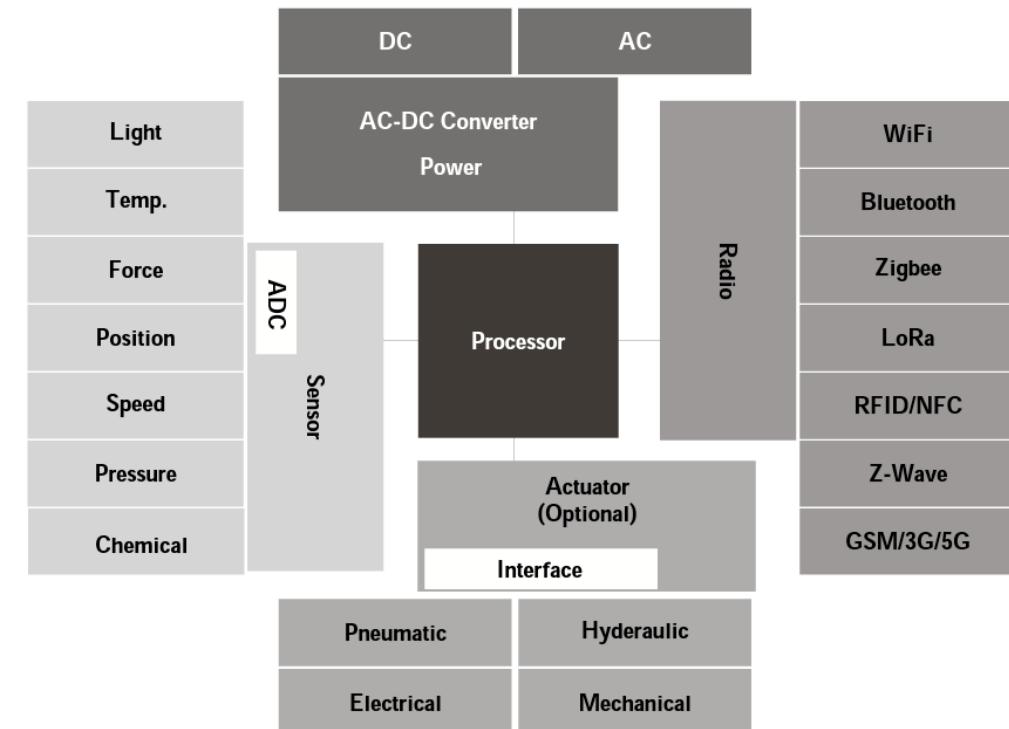
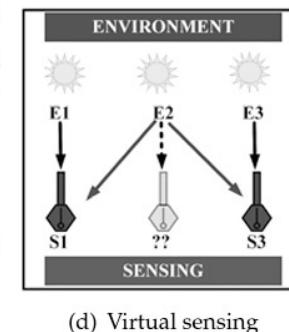
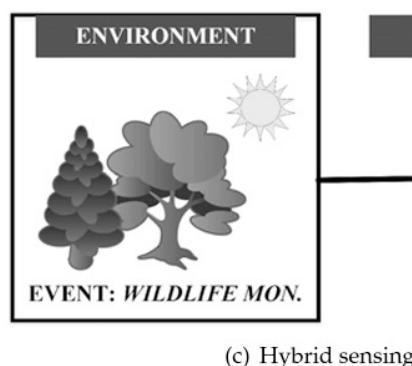
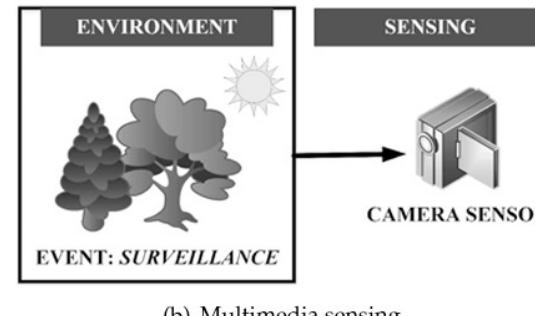
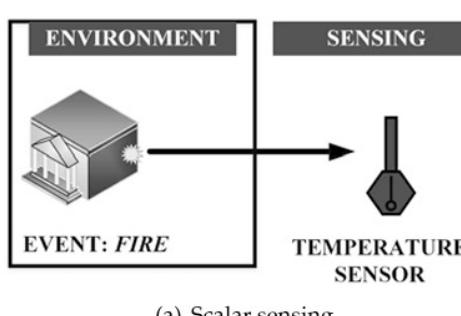


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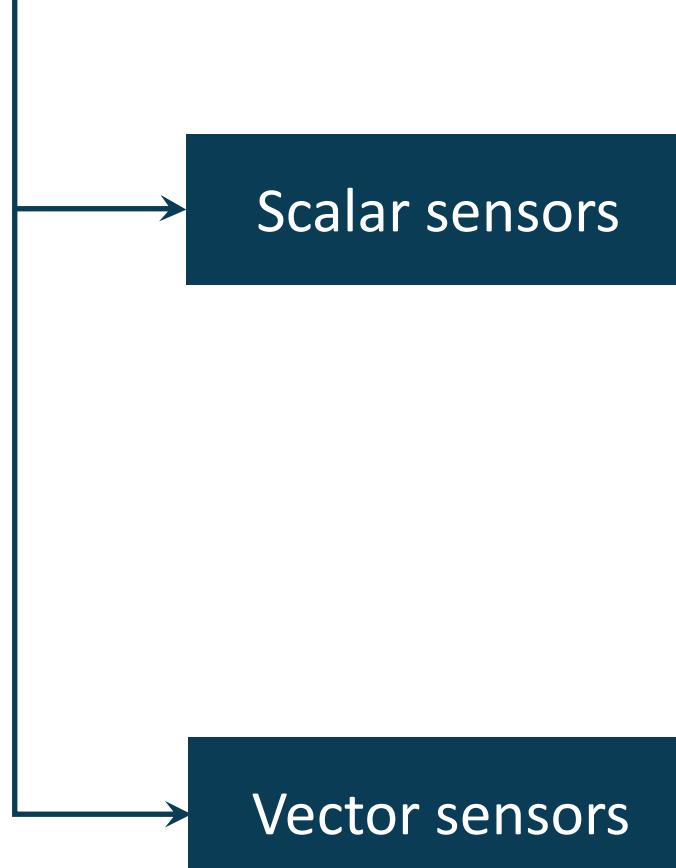
$X_{out} = 0g$
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 $Z_{out} = +1g$

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Sensing strategies leading into IoT



Sensor classification-based on measured quantity



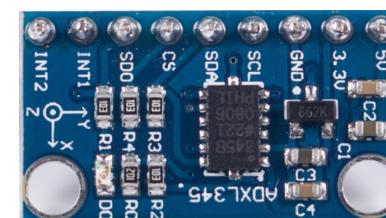
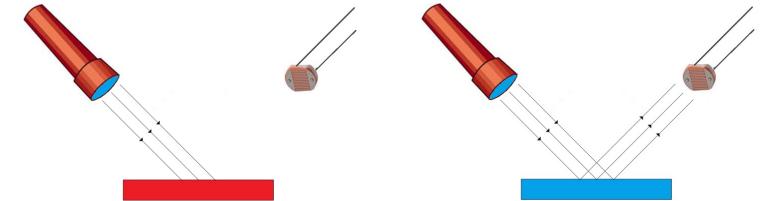
- Output signals are proportional to the magnitude of the quantity being measured
- Scalar quantities are those where magnitude is sufficient to describe a phenomenon



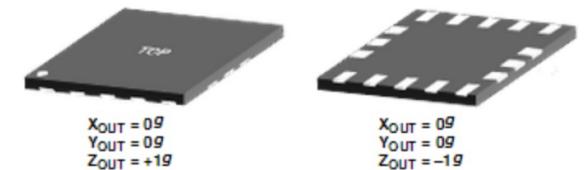
- Measure magnitude and direction of the measured quantity



Color sensor module



Digital Accelerometer module



Gravity
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Take a tiny quiz on Sensors & IoT and feel good!

Use the following link:

<http://tinyurl.com/498raxh4>

OR



Some rules to observe:

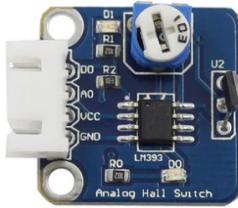
- 5 minutes restriction
- Unlimited responses
- You can discuss with your colleagues in-class
- Watch real-time results and calibrate

Common types of commercially available sensors (Sunfounder kit)

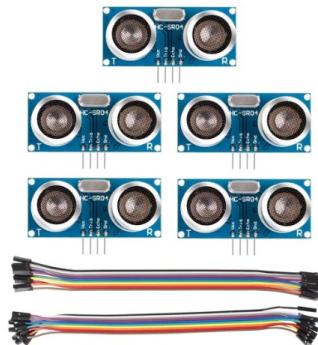
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Sunfounder:

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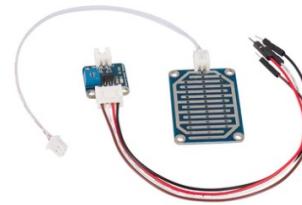
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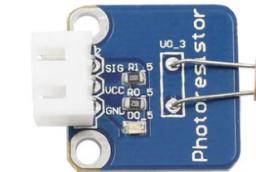
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Module Distance Sensor



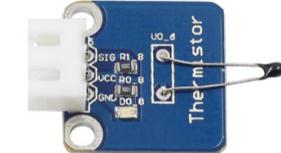
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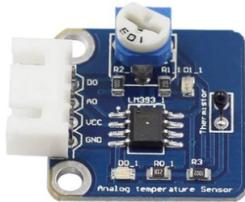
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Raindrop Sensor Module



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Photoresistor Sensor Module



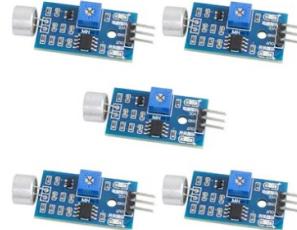
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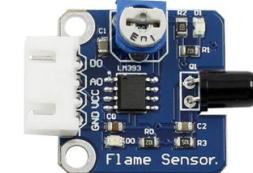
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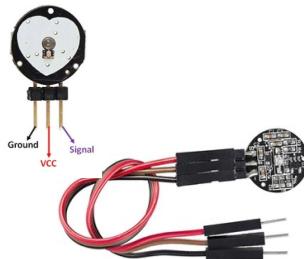
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HHC MQ-2 Gas Sensor
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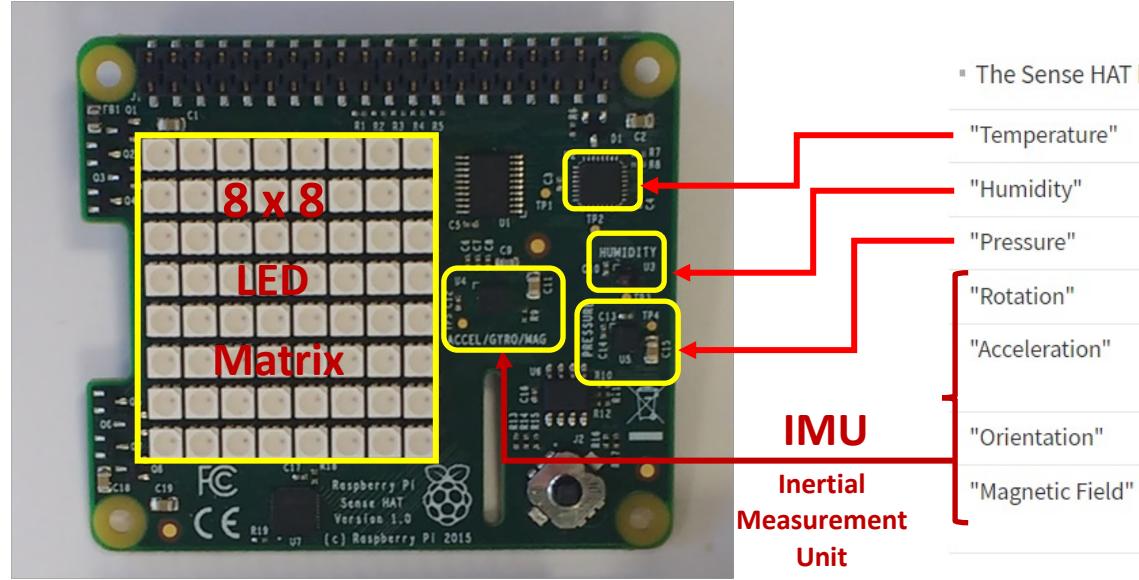


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Flame Sensor Module

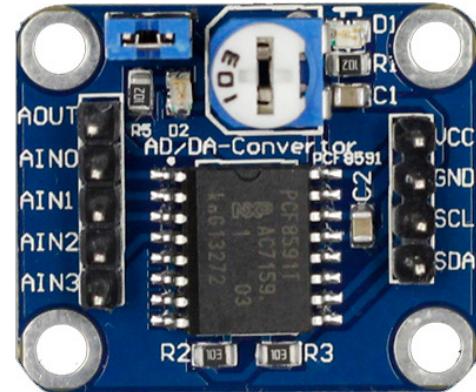
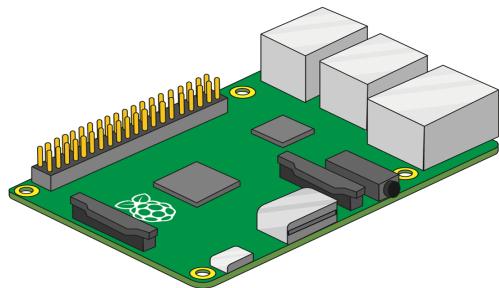


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PulseSensor Heart Rate
Monitoring Sensor Module

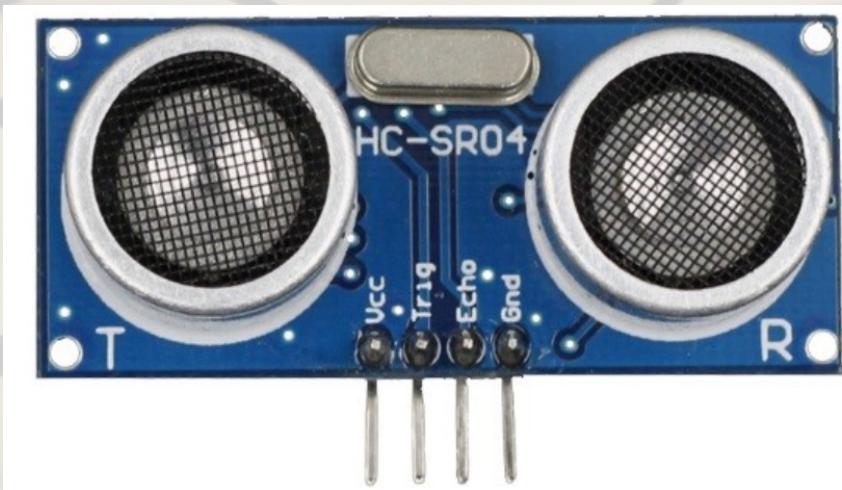
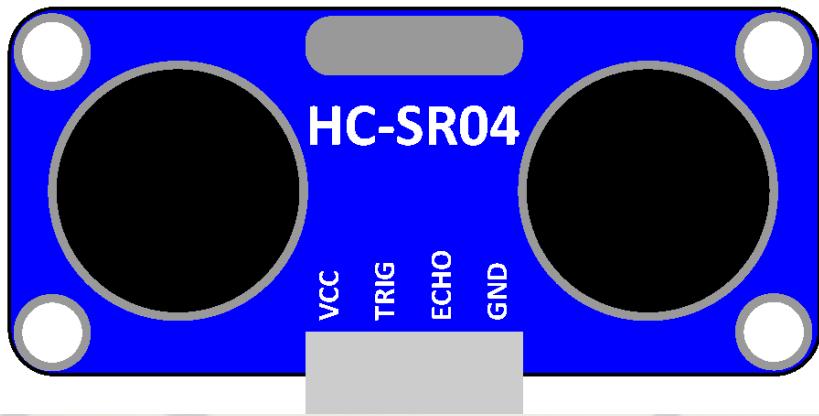
Other types of commercially available sensors and modules



- reads temperature in degrees Celsius
- reads humidity in % RH
- reads atmospheric pressure in millibars
- reads gyroscopic motion in revolutions per second
- reads acceleration in terms of standard accelerations due to gravity on Earth's surface
- reads orientation relative to magnetic north in degrees
- reads strength and direction of a magnetic field around the sensor in microteslas



Know your Ultrasonic Sensor



The Ultrasonic sensor sends out ultrasonic waves to detect objects and measure distances.

Connectors:
4-pin jumper cables

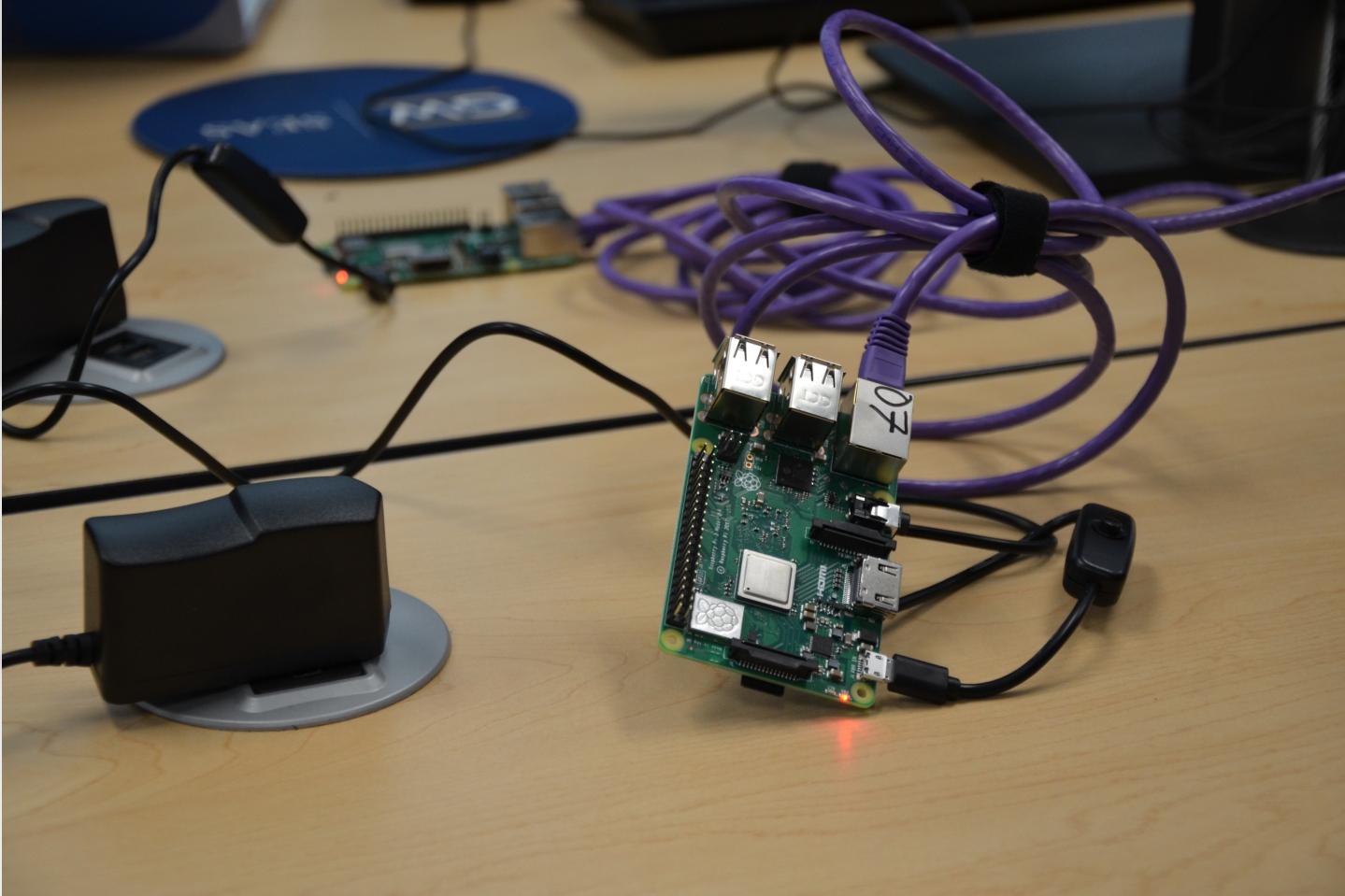
Goal of the lab segment:

- Co-work
 - Observe, ask and try in groups
- Make
 - Build-a-hack
 - Ultrasound sensors and Raspberry Pi 3B + boards
- Analyze data using Python

Set up lab the Edge-lab

STEP [1]:

Connect the RPis to each desk power outlet as shown



- Make sure there is a microSD card installed in the RPi
- Connect the RPi using the microUSB cable provided
- Connect the purple colored ethernet cables specifically for RPi connections
- LEDs on the RPi will start blinking indicating that it is booting up

STEP [2]:

Access the RPi in the Edge-lab

2.1 Open up remote desktop connection (using the VNC server)

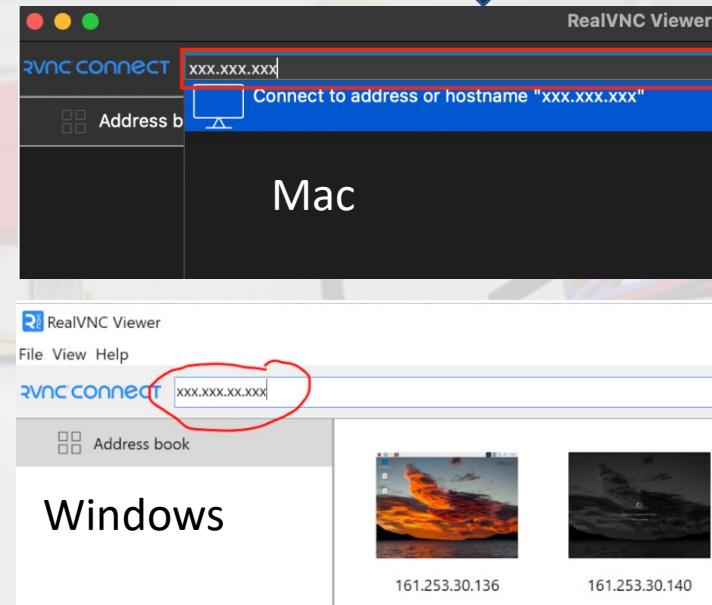
Each RPi has unique alpha-numeric name (e.g., Pi07, Pi152 etc)

- Locate the Pi-name and the IP address on the <128.164.139.xx>

OR

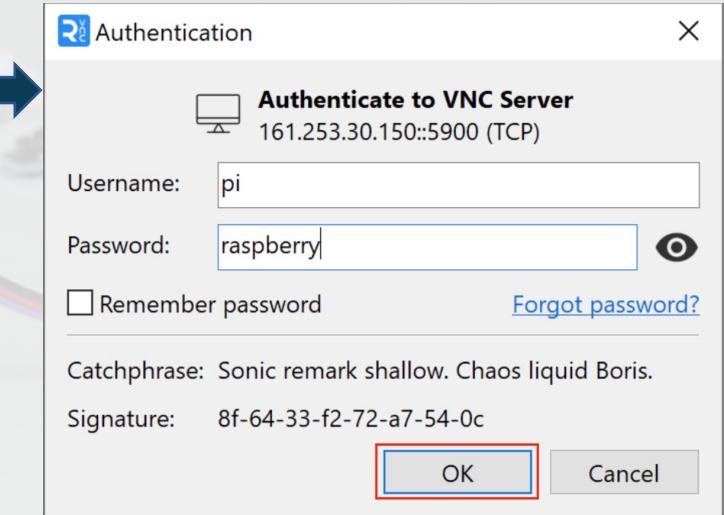
Each RPi connected using an ethernet cable directly to your laptops

- raspberrypi.local



2.2 Once you are connected you will

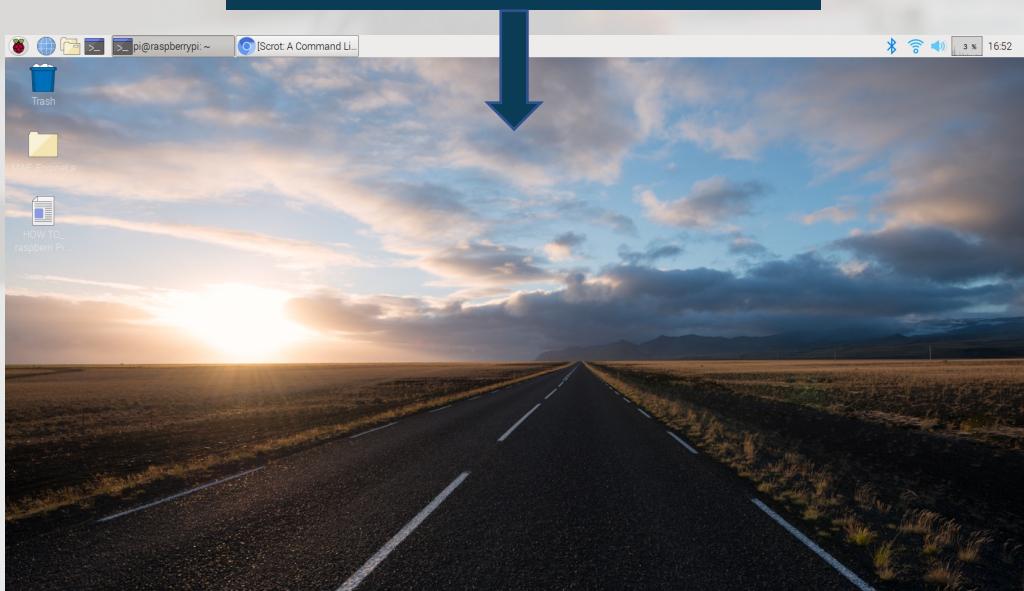
- See Authentication box below
- Type in the Username and Password



STEP [3]:

Now that you accessed the RPi...

You will see a screen like the one shown below

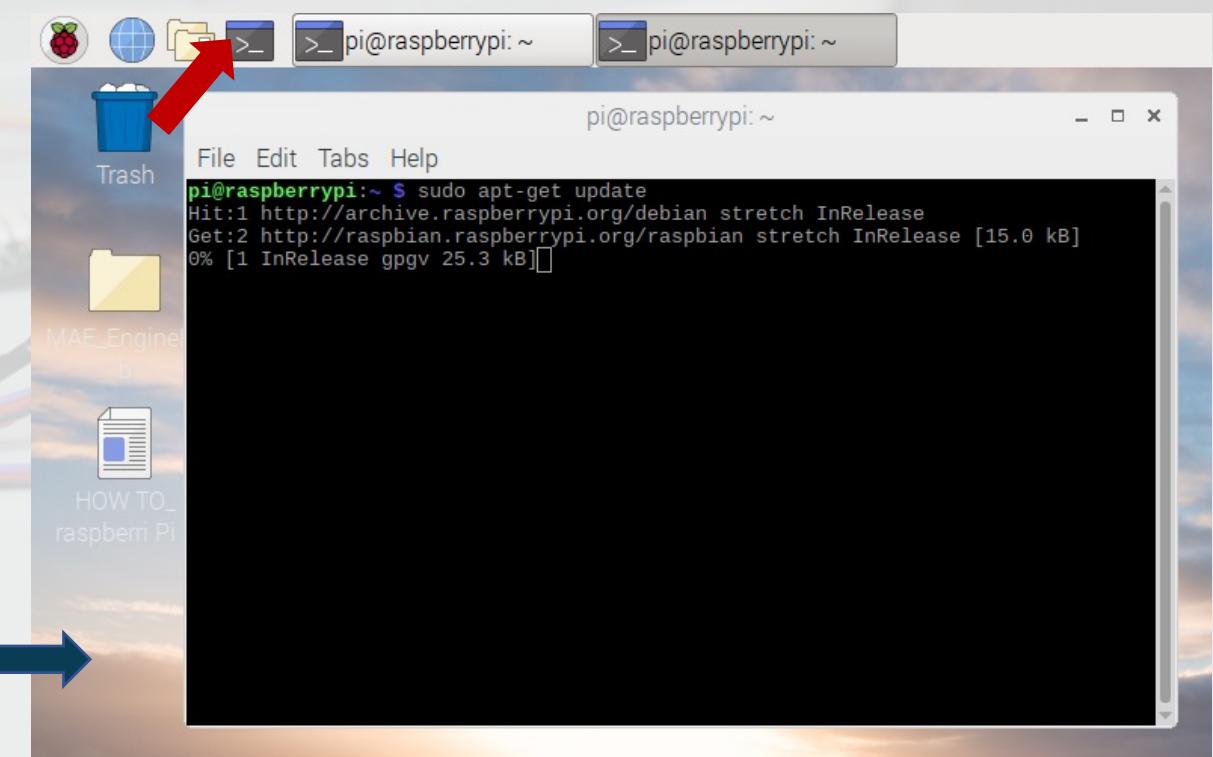


3.2 Testing is complete when you get to this step.

- Students should get the RPis to this step before the laboratory modules begin.

3.1 Click on terminal(shown with a red arrow below)

- At the prompt type: **sudo apt-get update**
- Wait for the updates to complete
- Then type: **sudo apt-get upgrade**
- If you get the following prompt
 - **Do you want to continue [Y/n]**
 - Type: **y**
 - And hit "Enter" on your keyboard and let the upgrades complete



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Source: <https://youtu.be/J-VVh5ezqGA?si=G9iu055uV3MinyUA>

$$\text{Distance traversed} = (\text{Speed of sound}) \times (\text{Time elapsed}/2)$$

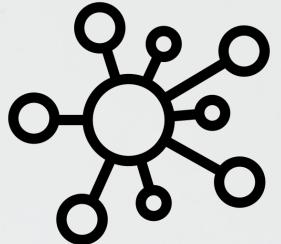
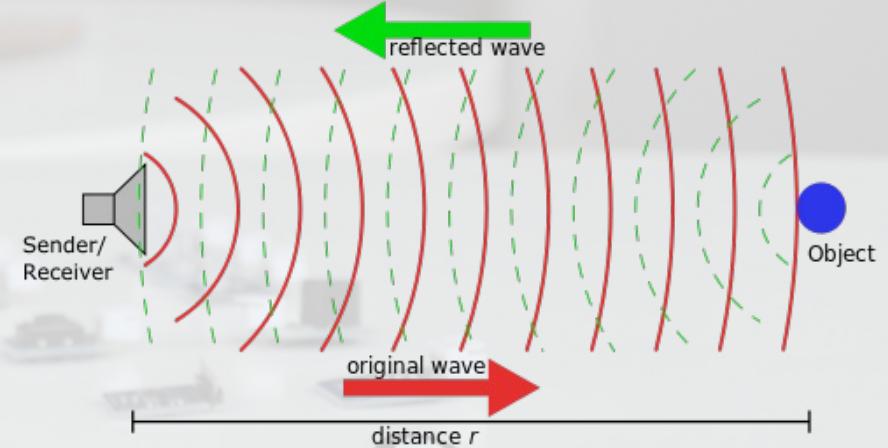


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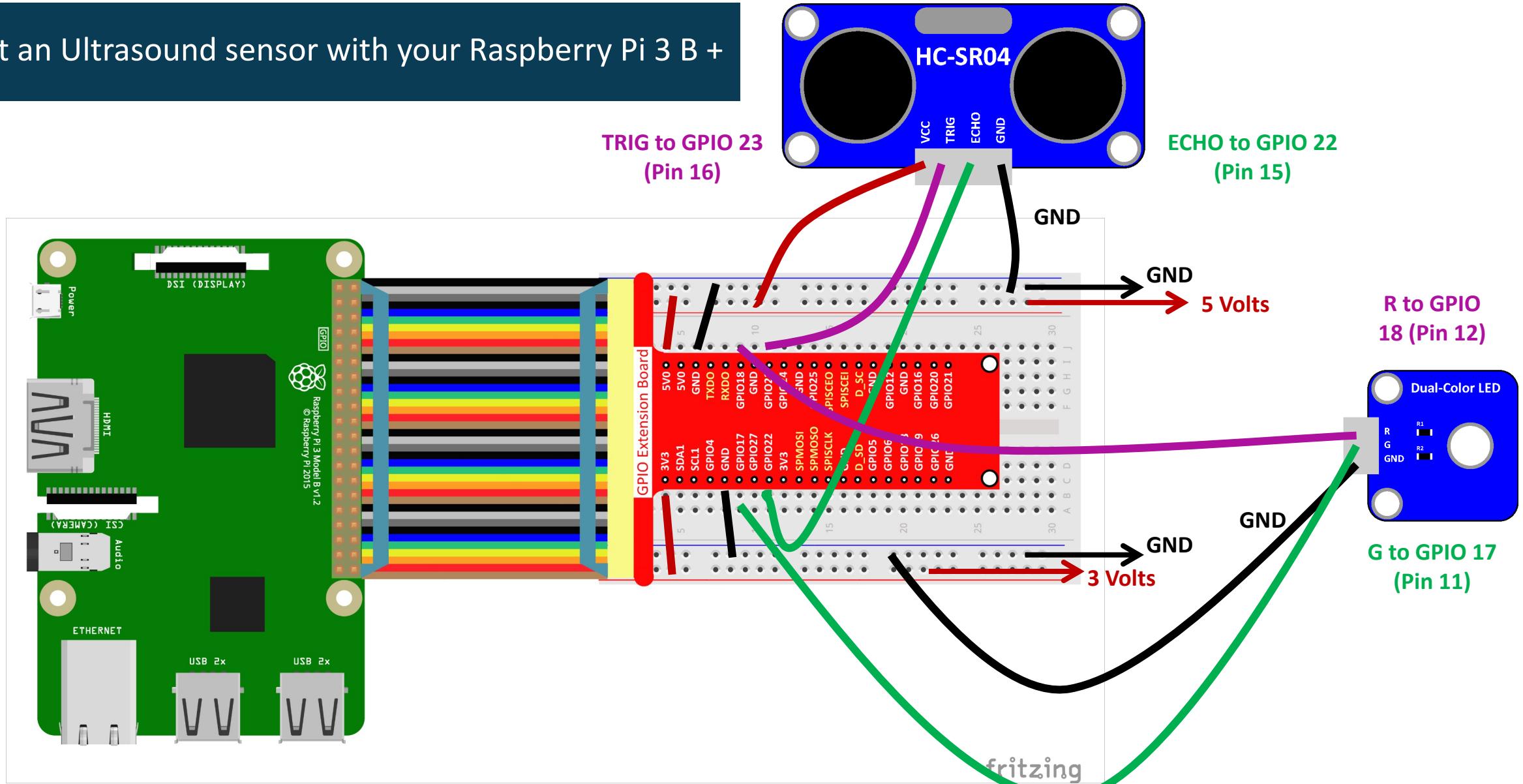
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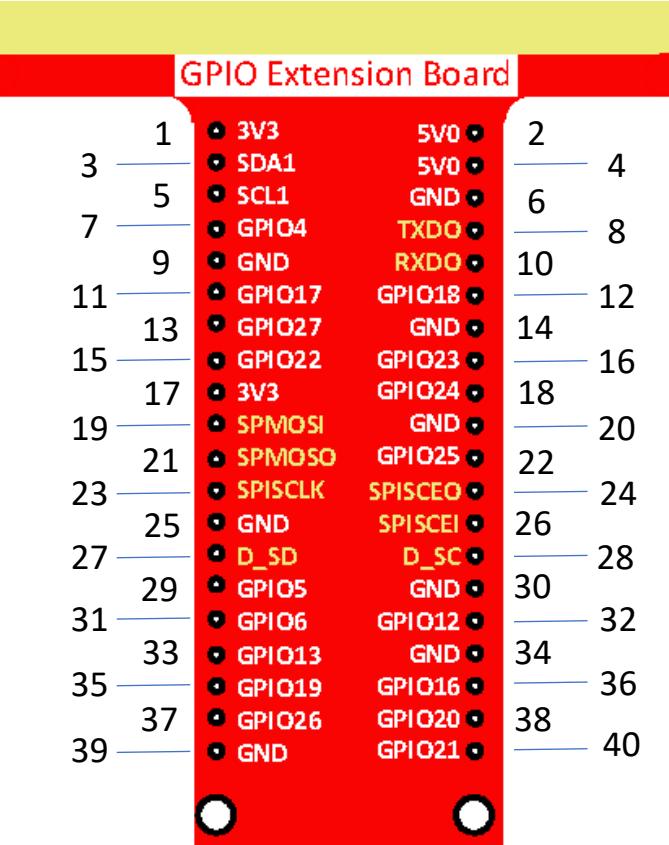
Introduction to IoT and Edge Computing

Spring 2024

Start an Ultrasound sensor with your Raspberry Pi 3 B +



Pseudo-code to kick start your Raspberry Pi Model 3 B+ (RPi)



```
import LIBRARY as NAME  
import ANOTHER_LIBRARY
```

INITIALIZE GPIO CHANNELS

DEFINE SETUP FUNCTION

```
GPIO.setmode(GPIO.BOARD)  
GPIO.setup(CHANNEL-1, GPIO.OUT)  
GPIO.setup(CHANNEL-2, GPIO.IN))
```

DEFINE DISTANCE FUNCTION

```
return (TIME_ELAPSED / 2) * 340 * 100
```

DEFINE LOOP FUNCTION

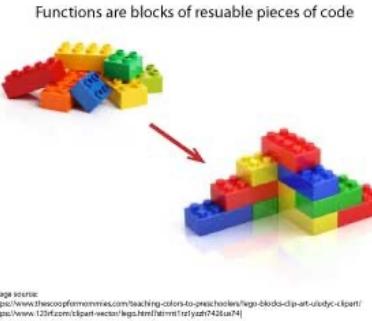
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while True:  
    ...
```

DEFINE DESTROY FUNCTION

```
CLEAN UP GPIO CHANNELS
```

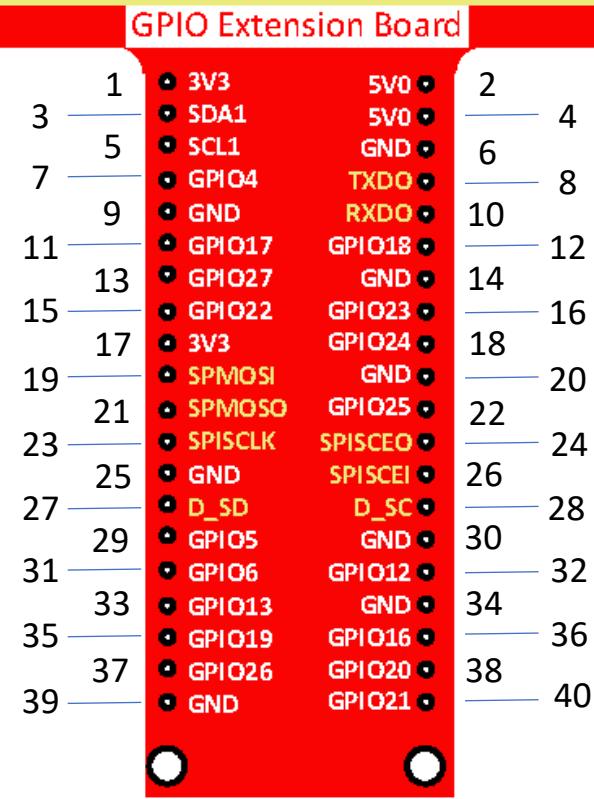
```
if __name__ == "__main__":  
    setup()  
    try:  
        loop()  
    except KeyboardInterrupt:  
        destroy()
```

User defined functions



Entry point into the program – pulls in all user defined functions

A simple python code to kick start your Raspberry Pi Model 3 B+ (RPi)



```
import RPi.GPIO as GPIO  
import time
```

```
TRIG = 16  
ECHO = 15  
def setup():  
    GPIO.setmode(GPIO.BOARD)  
    GPIO.setup(TRIG, GPIO.OUT)  
    GPIO.setup(ECHO, GPIO.IN)
```

```
def distance():  
    GPIO.output(TRIG, 0)  
    time.sleep(0.000002)  
    GPIO.output(TRIG, 1)  
    time.sleep(0.00001)  
    GPIO.output(TRIG, 0)  
  
    while GPIO.input(ECHO) == 0:  
        time1 = time.time()  
  
    while GPIO.input(ECHO) == 1:  
        time2 = time.time()  
  
    during = time2 - time1  
    return (during / 2) * 340 * 100
```

```
def loop():  
    while True:  
        dist = distance()  
        print(dist, 'cm')  
        print('')  
        time.sleep(0.1)
```

```
def destroy():  
    GPIO.cleanup()
```

```
if __name__ == "__main__":  
    setup()  
    try:  
        loop()  
    except KeyboardInterrupt:  
        destroy()
```

Graded Lab Activity (10 points)

Goal-1

Set up a Python virtual environment
- “Sandbox” your Python project

Goal-2

Demonstrate your python script at boot
Using Cron, the UNIX scheduler

git clone <git@gitlab.com:gwu-csci3907/Spring2024.git>

git clone <https://gitlab.com/gwu-csci3907/Spring2024.git>