# DASHBOARD WITH NODE-RED

### INTERNET OF THINGS

Time: 60 mins

### Introduction

In this class, the students will learn to create a dashboard on Node-RED and display the sensor readings using data from an MQTT broker.

### **New Commands Introduced**

No new commands introduced

## Vocabulary

- **Node-RED** is a programming tool for wiring together hardware devices, APIs, and online services.
- **Node.js** is an open-source, cross-platform JavaScript runtime environment. It is used to create server-side web applications.
- A dashboard visually presents data in a centralized location.

## Learning Objectives

Student/s should be able to:

- Recall how data is sent to the MQTT broker.
- Explain the features of Node-RED.
- **Demonstrate** the creation of dashboard on Node-RED.

## **Activities**

- 1. Class Narrative: (3 mins)
  - Brief the student/s that the next challenge is to display the data from the sensor on the dashboard.
- 2. Concept Introduction Activity: (4 mins)
  - Let the student/s undertake the explore-activity to observe how the data is displayed on the dashboard.
  - Inform the student/s about the various tools used for visualizing sensor data.
  - Share some interesting features of Node-RED.
    - Visual Programming Interface

It provides a browser-based editor that makes it easy to wire together flows that can be deployed in a single-click.

Integration with IoT

The light-weight runtime is built on Node.js

Shareability

The flows created in Node-RED are stored using JSON which can be easily imported and exported.

Real-Time Data Visualisation

The data received can be visualized as and when it happens.

Extensibility

It can be easily extended to add custom functionality.

- Using the slides, explain that the student/s will learn:
  - to explore Node-RED
  - to access MQTT data from Node-RED
  - to display data on dashboard

### 3. Activity 1: Explore Node-RED (16 mins)

Student Activity: (8 mins)

- Introduce student/s to Node-RED and its features.
- Guide the student/s to download Node.js from node.js website and install it. Then, install Node-RED module.

**Teacher Activity**: (3 mins)

• Demonstrate how to display the dashboard on Node-RED.

Student Activity: (5 mins)

• Guide the student/s to launch Node-RED, add a dashboard pallet, add and configure widget, and display on the dashboard.

### 4. Activity 2: Access MQTT Data From Node-RED (10 mins)

**Teacher Activity**: (4 mins)

- Inform the student/s that the data from MQTT broker would be accessed on Node-RED using topic name.
- Demonstrate how to access MQTT data on Node-RED.

**Student Activity**: (6 mins)

 Guide the student/s to access MQTT data on Node-RED by connecting to MQTT broker and displaying the payload.

### 5. Activity 3: Display Data on Dashboard (15 mins)

**Teacher Activity**: (7 mins)

• Demonstrate how to display data on Node-RED dashboard.

Student Activity: (8 mins)

- Guide the students to display the data on the dashboard by configuring charts and gauges, and deploying them.
- 6. Introduce the Post class project: (2 min)
  - Create a dashboard for the room climate control system.
- 7. Test and Summarize the class learnings: (5 mins)
  - Check for understanding through quizzes and summarize learning after respective activities.
  - Summarize the overall class learning towards the end of the class.

### 8. Additional activities:

- Encourage the student/s to customize the gauge to a color of choice.
- Encourage the student/s to display both temperature and humidity on one chart.
- 9. State the Next Class Objective: (1 min)
  - In the next class, student/s will learn how to monitor the light exposure to the cargo and display it on the dashboard.

## **U.S. Standards:**

CSTA: 2-AP-11. 2-AP-12. 2-AP-13. 2-AP-14. 2-AP-19

Links Table		
Activity	Activity Name	Link
Class Presentation	Dashboard with Node-RED	https://s3-whjr-curriculum-uploads.whj r.online/799c9d29-6096-49e5-8726-0 073465fbd4d.html
Explore Activity	Dashboard with Node-RED	https://s3.amazonaws.com/media-p.slid _es/uploads/1525749/images/11088891 _C140_activity.gif
Student Activity 1.1	Explore Node-RED	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-SAS-BP
Teacher Reference: Student Activity 1.1 Solution	Explore Node-RED	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-SAS
Teacher Activity 1	Explore Node-RED	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-TAS-BP
Teacher Reference: Teacher Activity 1 Solution	Explore Node-RED	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-TAS
Student Activity 1.2	Explore Node-RED	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-SAS-BP
Teacher Reference: Student Activity 1.2 Solution	Explore Node-RED	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-SAS
Teacher Activity 2	Access MQTT Data From Node-RED	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-TAS-BP
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Student's Additional Activity 1	Customize the Gauge	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-SAS-BP
Teacher Reference: Student's Additional Activity 1 Solution	Customize the Gauge	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-SAS
Student's Additional Activity 2	Combine the Charts	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1

		<u>8-C140-SAS-BP</u>
Teacher Reference: Student's Additional Activity 2 Solution	Combine the Charts	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-SAS
Post Class Project	Room Climate Control - Create Dashboard	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-PCP
Teacher Reference: Post Class Project Solution	Room Climate Control - Create Dashboard	https://github.com/Tynker-IOT/TNK-M1 8-C140-PCP-BP