

ECRobot Installation Instructions:

Prerequisites:

1. Make sure MATLAB is installed in a directory with NO SPACES in the directory structure
 - a. "C:\MATLAB" is good
 - b. "C:\MATLAB R2010a" is bad
2. Make sure you have at a minimum installed MATLAB, Simulink, Real-Time Workshop and Real-Time Workshop Embedded Coder

Install auxiliary tools:

This section covers the installation of 6 tools and although slightly arduous should go smoothly if you follow every instruction verbatim.

1. Install Cygwin / GNU Make
 - a. Download Cygwin 1.5.x or newer version (we use 1.5.24) from Cygwin website:
<http://www.cygwin.com/>
 - b. Install Cygwin into "C:\cygwin" – see figure 1-1
 - c. Select "make" under the "Devel" tree node.



Fig. 1-1 Cygwin installer

2. Install GNU ARM
 - a. Download GCC-4.0.2 binary installer from FILES section of GNU ARM website:
<http://www.gnuarm.com/>
 - b. Execute installer and install GNU ARM into C:\cygwin\GNUARM
 - c. Configure installation dialog as shown in figure 1-1
 - d. UNCHECK Install Cygwin DLLs because of Cygwin was already installed (Figure 1-2)
 - e. At the end of installation, you are asked to add the installation directory to the Path, do NOT do this

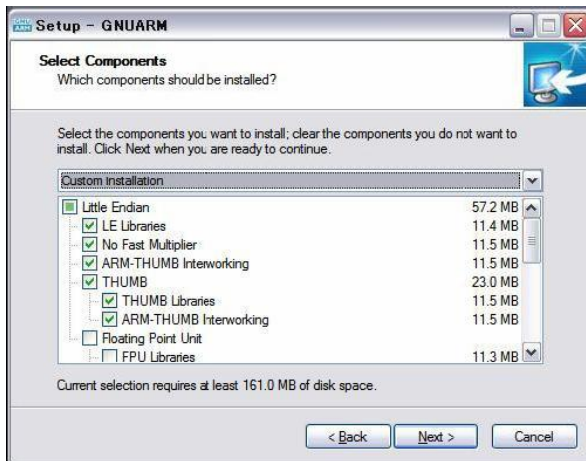


Fig. 2-1 GNU ARM installer(1)

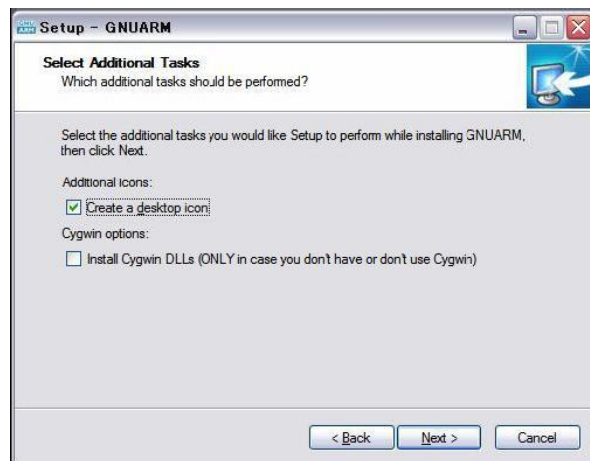


Fig. 2-2 GNU ARM installer(2)

3. Install NXT USB Driver

- (If LEGO standard programming software was already installed in the PC, skip this step)
Download MINDSTORMS NXT Driver v1.02 from LEGO software update website:
<http://mindstorms.lego.com/Support/Updates/> - see Fig. 3-1 Mindstorms Driver

MINDSTORMS NXT Driver v1.02

Description
This software updates the LEGO MINDSTORMS NXT driver and addresses an issue that prevents the firmware from being downloaded to the NXT on some occasions.

When you have installed the new driver and want to download new firmware to the NXT, please initialize the NXT brick before you start downloading the firmware. **If your NXT is clicking when you insert batteries**, push the hardware reset button for five seconds before you insert the USB cable. This will ensure that the brick initializes correctly for the firmware download. The hardware reset button is located within the LEGO Technic hole below the USB connector on the NXT brick. **If your NXT brick is not clicking when you insert batteries** just go through the normal firmware download process as described within the manual when the new driver is installed.

Version	Post Date	PC
1.02	26/07/2006	7.12MB
		MAC 351KB

Instructions
Click on the download to save the patch to your harddrive. Unzip the downloaded archive and run Setup.exe

System Requirements
Mac OS X or Windows XP

Fig. 3-1 Mindstorms Driver

Troubleshooting:

If ATMEL SAM-BA was already installed, it needs to be completely uninstalled before installing LEGO standard USB driver.

4. Install NeXTTool

- Download John Hansen's NeXTTool from: <http://bricxcc.sourceforge.net/utilities.html> and extract the files to "c:\cygwin\nexttool"

5. Install NXT standard firmware

- a. Download John Hansen's enhanced NXT standard firmware and install using steps below:
http://bricxcc.sourceforge.net/lms_arm_jch.zip (version 106 or later)
- b. Extract it into the "c:\cygwin\nexttool" folder – you should see a file with a name like
"lms_arm_nbcnxc_X.rfw" with X = 106 for version 1.06
- c. **Open a command Prompt** – In Windows go to Start => Run => and then type "cmd" and
select ok
- d. Type "c:" at the prompt
- e. Type "cd cygwin\NeXTTool" at the prompt
- f. Connect the NXT brick to the USB port and turn it on
To install the firmware, type (do not copy and paste) the command below, where
"lms_arm_nbcnxc_106.rfw" is the filename that you downloaded in step b..

```
nexttool /COM=usb -firmware=lms_arm_nbcnxc_106.rfw
```

Troubleshooting:

Verify that this worked by typing

```
nexttool /COM=usb -versions
```

You should see the following at the prompt, where the firmware version should match what you downloaded:

```
Protocol version = 1.124
Firmware version = 1.06
```

6. Install Embedded Coder Robot NXT
 - a. Download and extract the ECROBOT NXT from [MATLAB Central](#) to the top level of the MATLAB installation directory.
7. Install nxtOSEK and run ecrobotnxtsetup.m
 - a. Download and extract the nxtOSEK 2.12 from [nxtOSEK web site](#) to the
ecrobotNXT/environment directory.
Note that, Since Embedded Coder Robot NXT v3.18, nxtOSEK folder is created under the
environment directory to include TOPPERS/ATK1 sg.exe which has been excluded from
nxtOSEK v2.12, so you can simply overwrite existing nxtOSEK folder by nxtOSEK v2.12.

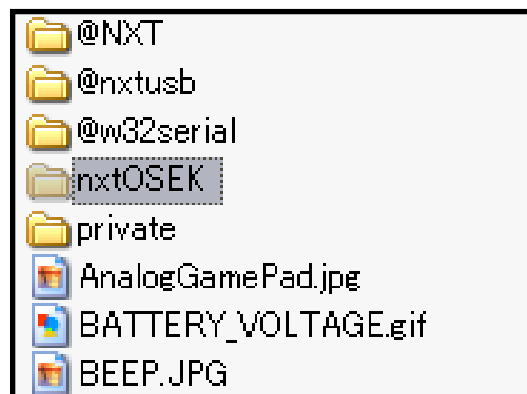


Fig. 7-1 nxtOSEK in ecrobotNXT/environment directory

- b. Enter the directory and run the m-file `ecrobotnxtsetup.m` shown below. It will walk you through the rest of the installation

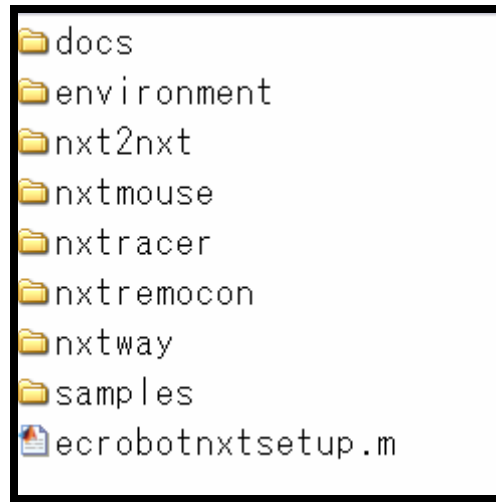


Fig. 7-2 `ecrobotnxtsetup`

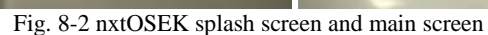
Congratulations you are now ready to develop applications in Simulink for your NXT!

TestMotorOSEK.mdl is used to describe code generation and program upload to the enhanced NXT standard firmware in the NXT.



- a. Open TestMotorOSEK.mdl.
- b. Single click `nxtbuild('TestMotor_app', 'build')` annotation to build target executables. If Embedded CoderRobot NXT was set up properly, target executables are created in `nxtprj` directory under the current directory.

- c. Connect PC and NXT via USB cable.
- d. Turn on the NXT which has the enhanced NXT standard firmware.
- e. Click `nxtbuild('TestMotor_app', 'rxeflash')` annotation in `TestMotorOSEK.mdl` to upload the program to the NXT. `nxtOSEK` splash screen is displayed for 3 seconds and turned to main screen. If program is executed into RAM, [R] is displayed in the main screen.



- f. Press RUN (right triangle button) to start the uploaded application. Once Embedded Coder Robot NXT(nxtOSEK) application is started, the NXT is fully controlled by the Embedded Coder Robot NXTaplication.
If STP button (left triangle button) is pressed, application program is stopped and back to main screen.
If EXIT button (gray colored rectangle button) is pressed, the NXT is turned off.

The enhanced NXT standard firmware provides a file system; hence, multiple nxtOSEK application programs can be uploaded to the NXT. The maximum size of an nxtOSEK application is 64Kbytes.

General Troubleshooting:

ISSUE #1: Can't build a target executable

- a. Confirm settings of the installed third party software.
 - a. Make sure that installation directory does not contain spaces or multi-byte characters.
 - b. Make sure that Windows Environment Variable and Path are set correctly.
- b. Confirm MATLAB current directory.
 - a. Make sure that current directory path does not contain spaces or multi-byte characters.

ISSUE #2: Q2 Can't upload a program to the NXT

- a. Remove the battery of the NXT for five seconds and insert it again, then try it again.
- b. Confirm log-in user account
 - a. Make sure that PC user account has an administrator proveleges.
- c. Change the USB port on PC for program upload.
- d. Hardware reset the NXT and then try it again.