

JavaScript IoT & Robotics [Johnny-Five Framework] PART-I

A journey from web development to embedded
system engineering

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What's JavaScript?

- A programming Language
- This Language is widely used in Web Development
- No it didn't come from Java

Advantages of JavaScript

- Javascript is executed on the client side
- Javascript is a relatively easy language
- Javascript is relatively fast to the end user
- Extended functionality to web pages

Creating A Johnny-Five Project

- Create a project folder
- Inside the folder open a Command Window
- Enter the command `npm init`
- Say yes by pressing Enter to everything it asks for

Installing the Dependency : Johnny-Five

- Enter the command “`npm install johnny-five`”
- Create a file `index.js`
- Open the File in a text editor

Prepare your Arduino!

- Connect your Arduino to the PC
- Open Arduino IDE
- On the IDE, Open the example
 - File > Examples > Firmata > StandardFirmata
- Upload this code to the arduino

Let's blink an LED using Johnny Five

But First

- Check the COM Port of Arduino.
From Device Manager

The very first JS Code that Runs Arduino

```
var johnny_five = require("johnny-five");  
var led_pin = 13;  
//Change this COM Port  
var COM = 'COM3';  
  
var arduino = new johnny_five.Board(COM);  
arduino.on("ready", function() {  
    var led = new johnny_five.Led(led_pin);  
    led.blink(500);  
});
```

Write the codes
in index.js file

This code can be found at
https://github.com/manashmndl/WorkshopIoTRoboticsKUET2k17/tree/codes/Day4/johnny_five_led_app

Running the Code

- While the Arduino is Connected to the PC run the following command

```
node index.js
```

Running the code (Contd...)

- The LED of the Arduino should start blinking. If it does, you've successfully configured Arduino with Johnny-Five
- Next we will connect Arduino to the web using JS only [Without ESP8266]

To find out more about Johnny-Five

Please Read the
Documentation