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**Title: Familiarization with the Raspberry Pi**

**Introduction:**

The objective of this experiment is to get familiarized with Raspberry Pi.

**Theory and Methodology:**

The Raspberry Pi is a series of small single-board computers developed in the United Kingdom by the Raspberry Pi Foundation to promote the teaching of basic computer science in schools and in developing countries. The most important thing about different versions of Raspberry Pi is that it is a computer that costs \$5 to \$75.

**Hardware:**

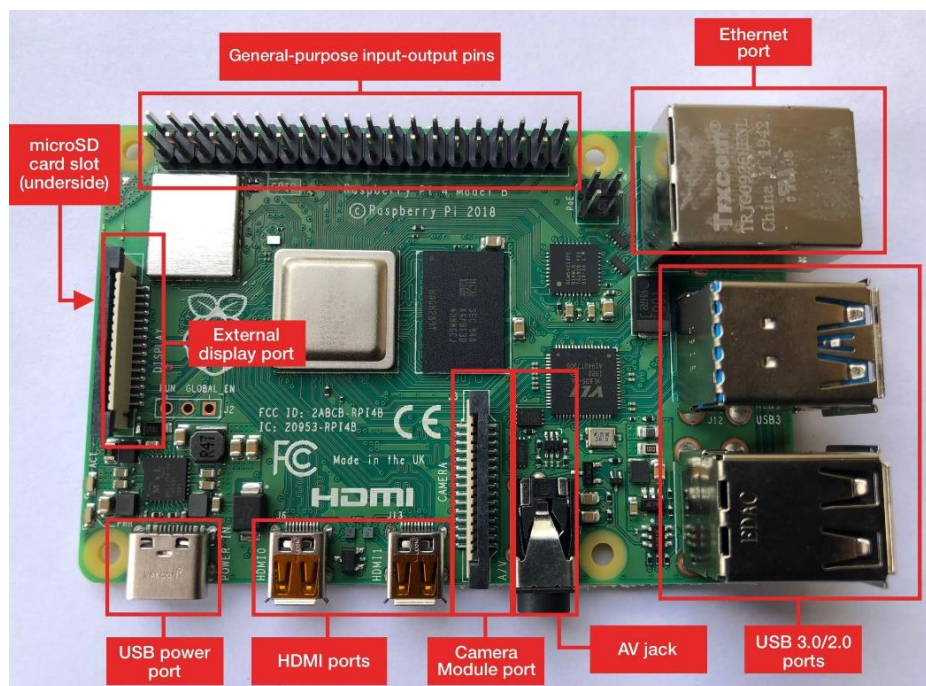


Figure 1: Raspberry Pi 3 - Model B

In this laboratory version, **Raspberry Pi 3 - Model B** will be used. Thus, only the hardware specifications of Raspberry Pi 3 – Model B are discussed.

**Technical Specifications**

**1. Processor**

- ✓ **Broadcom BCM2387 chipset.**
- ✓ **64-bit 1.2 GHz Quad-Core ARM Cortex-A53.**

**2. 802.11 b/g/n Wireless LAN and Bluetooth 4.1 (Bluetooth Classic and LE)**

- ✓ **IEEE 802.11 b / g / n Wi-Fi. Protocol:** WEP, WPA WPA2, algorithms AES-CCMP (maximum key length of 256 bits), the **maximum range of 100 meters.**
- ✓ **IEEE 802.15 Bluetooth**, symmetric encryption algorithm Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) with a 128-bit key, a **maximum range of 50 meters.**

**3. GPU**

- ✓ **Dual Core Video Core IV® Multimedia Co-Processor.** Provides Open GL ES 2.0, hardware-accelerated Open VG, and 1080p30 H.264 high-profile decode.
- ✓ **Capable of 1 Gpixel/s, 1.5 Gtexel/s, or 24 GFLOPs** with texture filtering and DMA infrastructure.

**4. Memory**

- ✓ **1 GB LPDDR2.**

**5. Operating System**

- ✓ **Boots from a Micro SD card**, running a version of the Linux operating system or Windows 10 IoT.

**6. Dimensions**

- ✓ **85 x 56 x 17mm**

**7. Power**

- ✓ **Micro USB socket 5 V, 2.5 A**

**8. Ethernet**

- ✓ **10/100 Base T Ethernet socket.**

**9. Video Output**

- ✓ **HDMI** (rev 1.3 & 1.4)
- ✓ **Composite RCA** (PAL and NTSC)

**10. Audio Output**

- ✓ **Audio Output 3.5 mm jack**
- ✓ **HDMI**
- ✓ **USB 4.0 x USB 2.0 Connector**

**11. GPIO Connector**

- ✓ **40-pin 2.54 mm (100 mils) expansion header: 2 x 20 strip**
- ✓ **Providing 27 GPIO pins** as well as **+3.3 V, +5 V, and GND supply lines** as shown in Fig. 2.

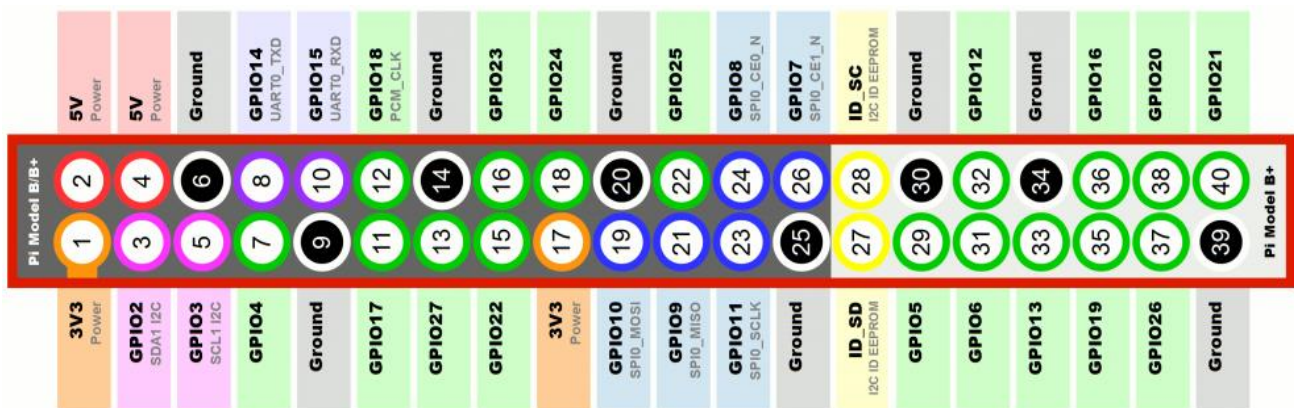


Figure 2: Raspberry Pi 3 - Model B GPIO pin

**12. Camera Connector**

- ✓ **15-pin MIPI Camera Serial Interface (CSI-2)**

**13. Display Connector**

- ✓ **Display Serial Interface (DSI) 15-way flat flex cable connector with two data lanes and a clock lane**

**14. USB**

- ✓ **Four built-in USB ports** provide enough connectivity for a mouse, keyboard, or anything else that you feel the RPi needs.

**15. Antenna**

- ✓ There's no need to connect an external antenna to the Raspberry Pi 3. Its radios are connected to this chip antenna soldered directly to the board.

**16. HDMI connector:**

- ✓ The **HDMI port provides digital video and audio output**. 14 different video resolutions are supported, and the HDMI signal can be converted to DVI (used by many monitors), composite (analog video signal)

usually carried over a yellow RCA connector), or SCART (a European standard for connecting audio-visual equipment) with external adapters.

### 17. Status LED

There are **five status LEDs** on the corner of the board.

ACT	Green	Light is <b>ON</b> when the SD card is accessed/used
PWR	Red	Steady <b>ON</b> when Pi is connected to 3.3 V power
FDX	Green	<b>ON</b> if the network adapter is a full duplex
LNK	Green	Network activity light <b>ON</b> when Ethernet is connected
100	Yellow	<b>ON</b> if the network connection is 100 Mbps

The status LEDs give information about the operating condition and any problems of the board e.g.

Status LED	Possible Problem
The <b>red power LED</b> does not light, and nothing is on display	The power is not properly connected
The <b>red power LED</b> light is blinking	The red power LED should never blink. A blinking red LED (PWR) means the 5 V power supply is dropping out. Use a different power supply.
The <b>red power LED</b> is ON, and the <b>green LED</b> is glowing faintly and steadily	The power supply is OK. But faint and steady green light (ACT) means the SD card has some problem in starting the operating system (no boot code).

### Setting Up the Raspberry Pi:

You need the following items-

- [1] **Raspberry Pi Board**
- [2] Monitor
- [3] Display and Connectivity Cable (HDMI/DVI)
- [4] Keyboard and Mouse
- [5] **Power Supply** (good-quality power supply that can supply **at least 2 A at 5 V for the Model 3B**)
- [6] **SD Card** (minimum **4 GB**)
- [7] Ethernet (network) cable (Optional)
- [8] Audio Lead (without an HDMI Cable an audio lead is necessary to produce sound)

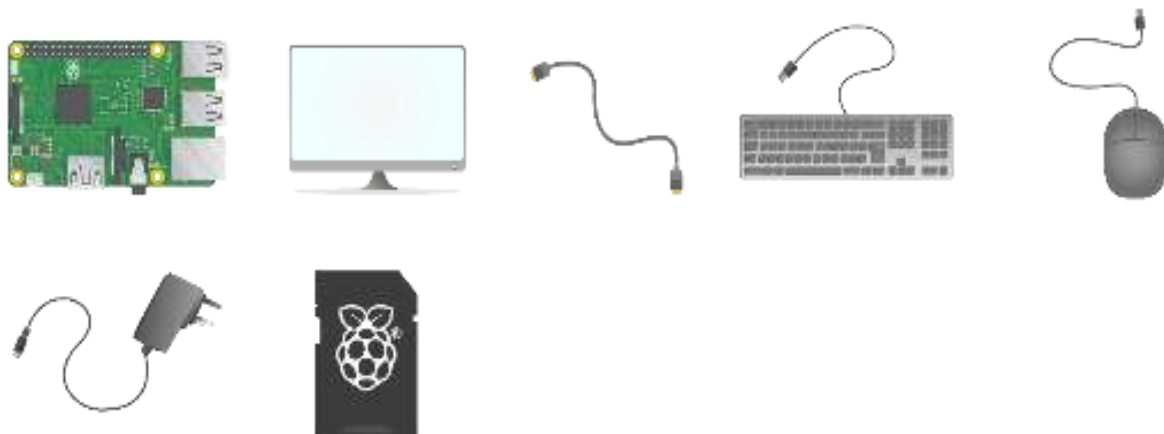


Figure 3: Apparatus for Setting up Raspberry Pi

### Operating Systems

When setting up Raspberry Pi, always keep in mind that you are setting up a small PC. Like a PC set up Pi must be set up with Operating System (OS). **Raspbian** is the official operating system for all models of the Raspberry Pi. However, there are **third-party operating systems**, like Ubuntu Mate, Snappy Ubuntu Core, Windows 10 IoT core, OSMC, Librelec, Pinet, and RISC OS. Logos of different OS for Pi is shown in following Fig. 4.



Figure 4: Logos of Different Operating Systems

**Getting an operating system**

The **recommended operating system** for use with the Raspberry Pi is called **Raspbian**. Raspbian is a version of GNU/Linux, designed specifically to work well with the Raspberry Pi.

**Download and image Raspbian directly:** This is a faster process and is great if you need to image multiple cards for a workshop or class. The steps are given below:

- [1] Using a computer with an SD card reader, visit the official Raspberry Pi Download page. Link: <https://www.raspberrypi.org/downloads/>
- [2] Go to the following link to know the step-by-step process to install the Raspberry Pi imager first: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ntaXWS8Lk34>
- [3] The following link will help to know step by step process to configure the Raspberry Pi: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wjWZhV1v3Pk>
- [4] The following link will help to know step by step process to update the Raspberry Pi: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y9KILxtMTOA>

**Power on your Raspberry Pi for the first time**

Remember that after booting the Pi, the user credentials like the 'username' and 'password' will be asked. Raspberry Pi comes with a default username and password and so always use it whenever it is being asked. The login credentials are:

login: pi  
password: raspberry

**LAB Exercise: Simply Glowing an LED****Introduction:**

In this experiment, an LED will be controlled by using Raspberry Pi. **Python** will be used to blink an LED. This experiment will give a basic idea of **Python language** as well as import GPIO pins of Raspberry Pi. This experiment will be done from a **Linux environment** thus enabling to use of terminal and shell scripting. As Raspberry Pi runs on a Linux environment, it is always advised to use **text editors**, like **Gvim, Nano Editor, Emacs Editor, and Pico Editor**. However, when you installed your Raspbian it comes with Integrated Development Environment (IDE) for Python.

**Apparatus:**

- [1] Activated Raspberry pi
- [2] LED
- [3] Resistor (220  $\Omega$ )
- [4] Breadboard
- [5] Jumper wires



**Experimental Procedures:****Lab Task # 1: LED Blinking**

- 1) The first step of this lab task is to set up the circuit as shown in Fig. 5.

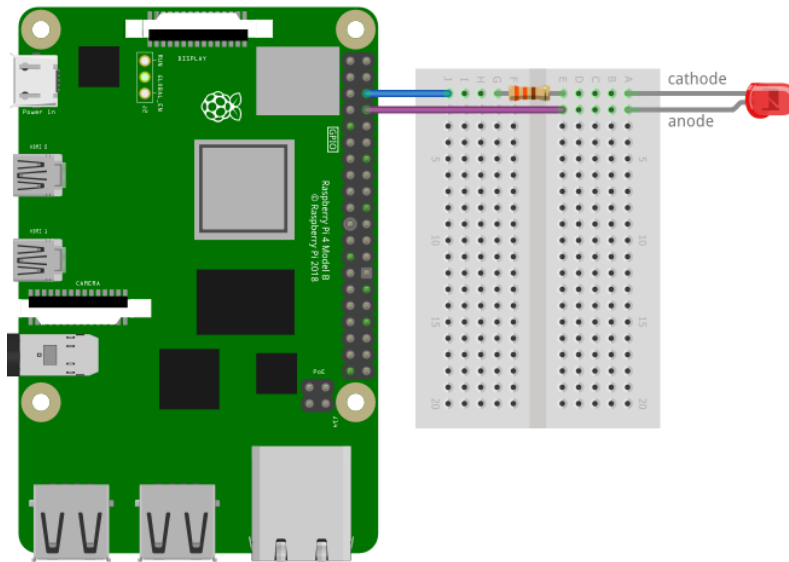


Figure 5: Setting up the circuit for the LED blinking program.

- 2) After setting up the circuit, Raspberry Pi should be powered on and interfaced with Monitor, Mouse, and Keyboard.
- 3) Open the terminal.
- 4) Write your code according to the following code example in the terminal.

**Python Program:**

```
nano blinkLED.py           # to create a text file under the name blinkLED

import RPi.GPIO as GPIO    # RPi.GPIO library will allow us to control the GPIO pins.
import time                 # time library contains the sleep()

GPIO.setmode(GPIO.BCM)     # BCM pin numbering is used
GPIO.setwarnings(False)    # to disable warnings
GPIO.setup(14, GPIO.OUT)    # to set GPIO14 as an output
GPIO.output(14, GPIO.HIGH)  # to specify the GPIO 14 as high
print "LED is ON"          # show message to Terminal
time.sleep(2)              # for two seconds

GPIO.output(14, GPIO.LOW)   # to specify the GPIO 14 as low
print "LED is OFF"         # show message to Terminal
```

**To save the program, press “Ctrl+X” then “Y” then “enter”.**

To simply run the program type:

**sudo python blinkLED.py**

The LED will turn on for two seconds and then turn off.

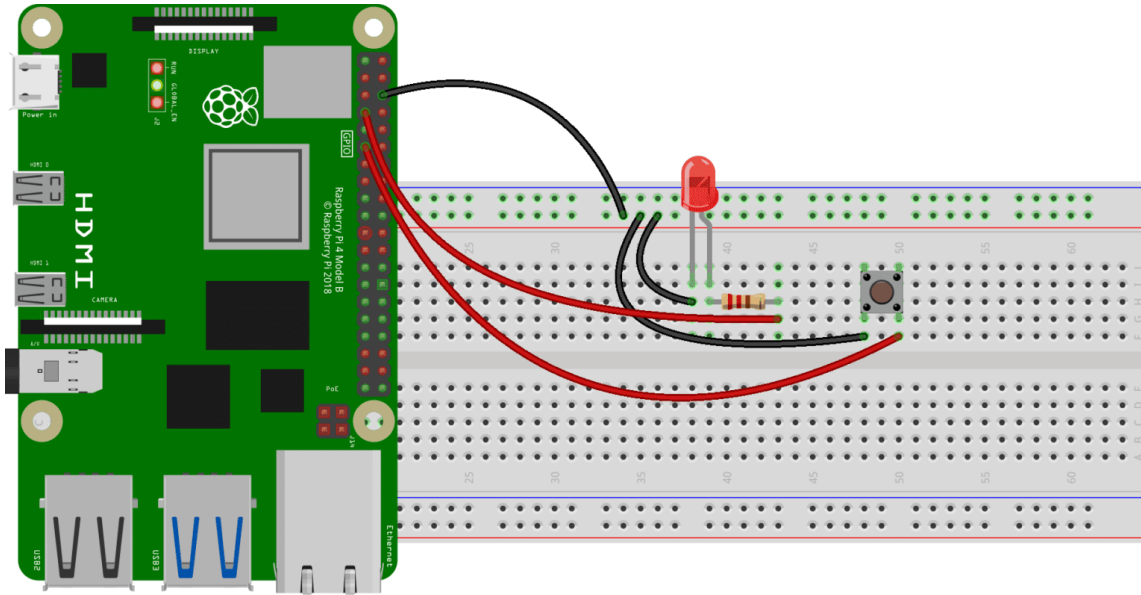
**Lab Task # 2: LED controlling with a push button switch**

Figure 6: Setting up the circuit for the LED controlling experiment using a button switch.

**Python code for controlling LED with the button on Raspberry Pi 4**

The Python code for controlling the LED with the button on Raspberry Pi 4 is simple, we will first make a file with the name “LED\_withButton.py” and open it with the nano editor:

```
$ nano LED_withButton.py
```

Type the following python code in the file to control the LED with the button:

```
from gpiozero import LED
#imports LED functions from gpiozero library
from gpiozero import Button
#imports Button functions from gpiozero library

led = LED(4)
#declare the GPIO pin 4 for LED output and store it in led variable
button = Button(17)
#declare the GPIO pin 17 for Button output and store it in button variable

while True:
    #initiated an infinite while loop
    button.wait_for_press()
    #use the built-in function of the button to wait till press
    led.on()
    #turn on the led
    button.wait_for_release()
    #use the built-in function of button to wait till release
    led.off()
    #turn off the led
```

**Explanation of the code:**

In the above code, we simply import the libraries of LED and Button from the gpiozero. Then we used the two variables led and button to which we assigned GPIO pin 4 for the LED and GPIO pin 17 for the button. After declaring these variables, in an infinite while loop, we have turned the LED ON by pressing the button, and on releasing the button, the LED is turned off.

Save the nano editor's file by pressing CTRL+S and exit the editor by using the shortcut key CTRL+X. To execute the code file of LED\_withButton.py, use the command:

```
$ python LED_withButton.py
```

**Lab Task # 3: Simple Traffic Control System**

Design a traffic control system using RED, YELLOW, and GREEN LEDs.

*Hint:*

To *repeat a block of code infinitely*, use the *while statement*. These are controlled by a conditional expression.

```
while (True):                # Forever Loop
    GPIO.output(ledpinnumber, GPIO.HIGH)  # LED On
    print 'LED is On'          # 'LED is On' will be printed in Terminal
    time.sleep(1.0)            #wait 1 sec
    GPIO.output(ledpinnumber, GPIO.LOW)   #LED OFF
    print 'LED is Off'        # 'LED is Off' will be printed in Terminal
    time.sleep(1.0)          #wait for 1 sec
```

Sometimes you may want a *loop to stop executing*. To do so, a *'break' statement* may be enclosed within an if statement. For example:

```
x = 0;
while (True):
    print("raspberrypi")
    x += 1
    if x > 60:        # text string "raspberrypi" will be printed 20 times on the terminal
        break
```

The *for statement* is used when there is a *block of code* that needs *to be repeated a number of times*. For example, here the word 'raspberrypi' is printed five times:

```
for i in range (0, 5):
    print("raspberrypi")
```

**Questions for report writing:**

- 1) Include all codes and scripts in the lab report
- 2) Include simulation methodology in proteus simulation tool after learning from:  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GIP7a\\_y0zCo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GIP7a_y0zCo)

**Reference(s):**

- 1) Raspberry pi datasheet.