

# **Edge Computing Lab**

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## **Experiment No. 1**

**Title: “Hello World” to Raspberry Pi**

**Raspbian OS Installation and Configuration on Raspberry Pi 4 and familiar with Raspberry Pi 4 GPIO's**

### **Introduction**

This manual provides a comprehensive guide for undergraduate students to understand the OS installation process using the Raspbian OS Imager, and configure remote access tools like PuTTY and VNC Viewer on Raspberry Pi 4.

### **Prerequisites**

- Raspberry Pi 4
- MicroSD card (minimum 8 GB)
- Raspbian OS Imager software
- PuTTY for SSH access
- VNC Viewer for remote desktop access
- Internet connection
- Additional peripherals (monitor, keyboard, mouse, etc.)

### **Experiment Steps**

#### **Part 1: Installing Raspbian OS**

Detailed steps on using the Raspbian OS Imager to select the correct version of the OS and write it to the MicroSD card. Illustrations will include screenshots of the imager interface and selection process.

#### **Part 2: Setting Up Raspberry Pi**

Instructions on inserting the MicroSD card into the Raspberry Pi, connecting all necessary peripherals, and completing the initial boot process. This section will include diagrams showing how to connect the Raspberry Pi to various peripherals.

### Part 3: Configuring PuTTY for SSH Access

Step-by-step guide on installing PuTTY, finding the Raspberry Pi's IP address, and establishing an SSH connection. This section will contain figures illustrating the PuTTY configuration settings.

### Part 4: Setting Up VNC Viewer

Detailed instructions on enabling VNC on the Raspberry Pi through the terminal or Raspberry Pi configuration settings, and connecting via VNC Viewer. Screenshots will guide the user through the VNC setup and connection process.

### Part 5: Interface the LED with Raspberry Pi 4 on GPIO14 using BCM

Experiments tis section designed to introduce students to the fundamentals of hardware interfacing using the Raspberry Pi 4. By the end of this lab, students will learn how to control an external LED using the GPIO pins of the Raspberry Pi.

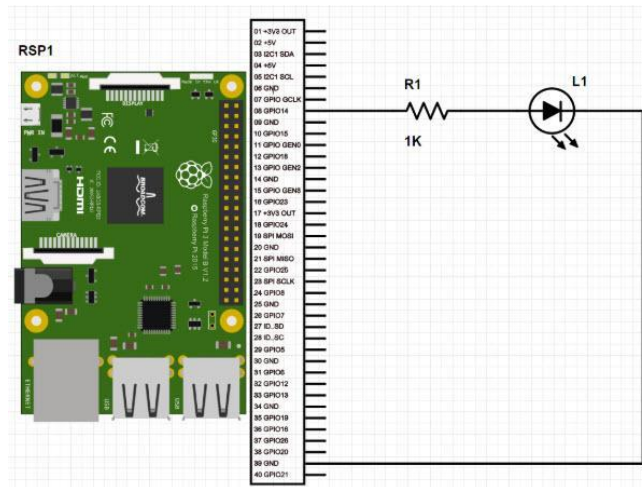
#### Theory

GPIO (General Purpose Input/Output) pins on the Raspberry Pi are used for interfacing with other electronic components. BCM numbering refers to the pin numbers in the Broadcom SOC channel, which is a more consistent way to refer to the GPIO pins across different versions of the Raspberry Pi.

PIN	NAME		NAME	PIN
01	3.3V DC Power	Red	5V DC Power	02
03	GPIO02 (SDA1, I <sup>2</sup> C)	Blue	5V DC Power	04
05	GPIO03 (SDL1, I <sup>2</sup> C)	Blue	Ground	06
07	GPIO04 (GPCLK0)	Green	GPIO14 (TXD0, UART)	08
09	Ground	Black	GPIO15 (RXD0, UART)	10
11	GPIO17	Green	GPIO18(PWM0)	12
13	GPIO27	Green	Ground	14
15	GPIO22	Green	GPIO23	16
17	3.3V DC Power	Red	GPIO24	18
19	GPIO10 (SP10_MOSI)	Purple	Ground	20
21	GPIO09 (SP10_MISO)	Purple	GPIO25	22
23	GPIO11 (SP10_CLK)	Purple	GPIO08 (SPI0_CE0_N)	24
25	Ground	Black	GPIO07 (SPI0_CE1_N)	26
27	GPIO00 (SDA0, I <sup>2</sup> C)	Yellow	GPIO01 (SCL0, I <sup>2</sup> C)	28
29	GPIO05	Green	Ground	30
31	GPIO06	Green	GPIO12 (PWM0)	32
33	GPIO13 (PWM1)	Green	Ground	34
35	GPIO19	Green	GPIO16	36
37	GPIO26	Green	GPIO20	38
39	Ground	Black	GPIO21	40

## Circuit Diagram

An illustrative diagram showing how to connect the LED to the Raspberry Pi GPIO14 pin through a resistor using a breadboard will be included here.



## Experiment Procedure

Detailed steps for setting up the Raspberry Pi, connecting the LED to the GPIO14 pin through the resistor, and securing all connections on the breadboard.

## Python Code

A simple Python script to control the LED by turning it on and off will be provided, demonstrating the use of GPIO library and BCM pin numbering.

```
import RPi.GPIO as GPIO
import time

# Use BCM GPIO references instead of physical pin numbers
GPIO.setmode(GPIO.BCM)

# Define GPIO signal to use (Physical pin 7 corresponds to BCM GPIO 4)
GPIO_LED = 4

# Set up the GPIO channel as output
GPIO.setup(GPIO_LED, GPIO.OUT)

try:
    # Loop to blink the LED on and off
    while True:
        # Turn LED on
        GPIO.output(GPIO_LED, True)
        print("LED ON")
        time.sleep(1) # Sleep for 1 second

        # Turn LED off
        GPIO.output(GPIO_LED, False)
        print("LED OFF")
        time.sleep(1) # Sleep for 1 second

except KeyboardInterrupt:
    # Clean up on Ctrl+C exit
    GPIO.cleanup()
```

## Python Code to display 'Hello World' on LCD

```
import smbus

import time


# Define the I2C address of the LCD

LCD_ADDRESS = 0x3E

RGB_ADDRESS = 0x62


# Initialize the I2C bus

bus = smbus.SMBus(1)


def send_command(cmd):

    """Send a command to the LCD."""

    bus.write_byte_data(LCD_ADDRESS, 0x00, cmd)


def send_data(data):

    """Send data to the LCD."""

    bus.write_byte_data(LCD_ADDRESS, 0x40, data)


def set_rgb(r, g, b):

    """Set the backlight color of the LCD."""

    bus.write_byte_data(RGB_ADDRESS, 0x00, 0x00)

    bus.write_byte_data(RGB_ADDRESS, 0x01, 0x00)

    bus.write_byte_data(RGB_ADDRESS, 0x08, 0xAA)

    bus.write_byte_data(RGB_ADDRESS, 0x04, r)
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bus.write_byte_data(RGB_ADDRESS, 0x03, g)

bus.write_byte_data(RGB_ADDRESS, 0x02, b)

def initialize_lcd():

    """Initialize the LCD."""

    send_command(0x01)  # Clear display

    time.sleep(0.05)

    send_command(0x38)  # Function set: 8-bit, 2 lines

    send_command(0x0C)  # Display ON, Cursor OFF, Blink OFF

    send_command(0x06)  # Entry mode set: increment, no shift

    time.sleep(0.05)

def write_message(line1, line2):

    """Write a message to the LCD."""

    send_command(0x80)  # Move cursor to the beginning of the first
line
    for char in line1:

        send_data(ord(char))  # Send each character as data to the LCD

    send_command(0xC0)  # Move cursor to the beginning of the second
line
    for char in line2:

        send_data(ord(char))  # Send each character as data to the LCD

if __name__ == "__main__":

    try:

```

```
initialize_lcd()

set_rgb(0, 255, 255)  # Set backlight to greenish color

write_message("Hello", "World")  # Display message

while True:

    time.sleep(1)

except KeyboardInterrupt:

    send_command(0x01)  # Clear display

    set_rgb(0, 0, 0)  # Turn off backlight

    print("Exiting...")
```

## Verification and Testing

Steps to verify the successful installation of the Raspbian OS, and the functionality of SSH and VNC connections, including sample commands and expected outputs.

## Troubleshooting Tips

Common issues and their solutions related to OS installation, SSH, and VNC connections, supported by troubleshooting flowcharts and diagrams.

## Observation

Students are expected to observe the LED turning on and off in response to the Python script, demonstrating the successful interfacing and control of external hardware with the Raspberry Pi

## Conclusion

A summary of the key learning points from the manual and encouragement for students to explore further applications and configurations of the Raspberry Pi 4.

## WriteUp

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### Experiment No.1

Introduction to Raspberry Pi, OS installation,  
Putty & VNC

- ① What are the key hardware component of a Raspberry Pi & how does it differ from a traditional computer.

Processor - An ARM based Broadcom SOC (System on chip)

RAM - Varies by model

Storage - Uses a micro SD card

GPIO Pin - 40 pins 'GPIO

USB Port - Used for peripheral like keyboard, mouse or storage device

HDMI Port - For video output

Power Input - Usually via USB-C

Networking - Include ethernet & wifi

- ② Difference from traditional computer

Size - Raspberry Pi is compact.

Storage - Uses a SD card instead of built-in storage

Processing Power - less powerful than a typical PC.



Expandability - No PCIe slots, instead it has GPIO for hardware project.  
low power consumption - Runs on 5V whereas traditional PCs require much higher power

2) Describe the step by step process for installing an OS on a Raspberry Pi using Raspberry Pi imager.

- i) Download & Install Raspberry Pi imager.
- ii) Insert a microSD card into your PC
- iii) Open imager, select OS & storage then click write
- iv) Insert the microSD card into the Raspberry Pi & boot it.

3) How can Putty be used to establish an SSH connection with Raspberry Pi?  
What are the default login credentials

- 1) Enable SSH (Create a blank SSH file in the boot partition)
- 2) Find IP address (host name - I)
- 3) Open Putty, enter Raspberry Pi IP, set port 22 & connect.
- 4) login - Username - Pi, Password - Raspberry.



4 Explain the Purpose of VNC in Raspberry Pi  
How can you enable & access the Raspberry Pi remotely using VNC.

i) Enable VNC: `sudo raspi-config` > Interfacing > Options > Enable VNC.

ii) Install VNC viewer on your PC.

iii) Find IP address (hostname - I)

iv) Open VNC viewer, enter Pi-IP:1 and login

5 What are the advantages of using headless mode for Rasp Pi, & how can it be configured

Headless mode configuration Advantage -

No monitor needed

Remote access via SSH/VNC

Save Space, ideal for IoT

Setup ->

1. Flash OS to microSD

2. Create SSH file in boot partition.

3. Create WiFi config

4. Boot Pi, find IP & Connect via SSH  
(`ssh pi@pi-IP`).