Practical 9

Aim: Interfacing Raspberry Pi with RFID

1. Enable I2C on Raspberry Pi

• Run in terminal:

sudo raspi-config

• Go to:

Interfacing Options \rightarrow I2C \rightarrow Enable it.

2. Install Required Packages

Run the following commands:

sudo apt-get install libusb-dev libpcsclite-dev i2c-tools

3. Download and Extract libnfc Library

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cd ~
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wget http://dl.bintray.com/nfc-tools/sources/libnfc-1.7.1.tar.bz2

tar -xf libnfc-1.7.1.tar.bz2

4. Compile and Install libnfc

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cd libnfc-1.7.1
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./configure --prefix=/usr --sysconfdir=/etc

make

sudo make install

5. Configure NFC Settings

Create and edit configuration file:

sudo mkdir /etc/nfc

sudo nano /etc/nfc/libnfc.conf

Paste the following content:

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allow_autoscan = true
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allow_intrusive_scan = false

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log_level = 1
    device.name = "_PN532_I2c"
    device.connstring = "pn532_i2c:/dev/i2c-1"
Save and exit (Ctrl + O, Enter, then Ctrl + X).
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6. Hardware Wiring

Set PN532 RFID module to **I2C mode** using switch:

• SEL0 = HIGH, SEL1 = LOW

Connect as:

PN532	Raspberry Pi
5V	Pin 4 (5V)
GND	Pin 6 (GND)
SDA	Pin 3 (GPIO 2)
SCL	Pin 5 (GPIO 3)

7. Check Connection

• Detect I2C device:

i2cdetect -y 1

• List NFC devices:

nfc-list

• Scan RFID tag:

nfc-poll

Python Code for Reading RFID:

Save this code as rfid_reader.py:

import subprocess

import time

def nfc_raw():

lines = subprocess.check_output("/usr/bin/nfc-poll", stderr=open('/dev/null','w'))

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return lines
def read_nfc():
  lines = nfc_raw()
  return lines
try:
  while True:
    myLines = read_nfc()
    buffer = []
    for line in myLines.splitlines():
      line_content = line.split()
      if(not line_content[0] == 'UID'):
         pass
      else:
         buffer.append(line_content)
    str = buffer[0]
    id_str = str[2]+str[3]+str[4]+str[5]
    print(id_str)
except KeyboardInterrupt:
  pass
Run the code:
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python rfid_reader.py