
BPI-Scratch User Manual

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1. Installation

1.1 Pre-requisites

The Scratch Handler Program: LeScratch is implemented in Python for hardware IO and extensions. It provides the functions to communicate with other boards.

Links@GitHub <https://github.com/BPI-SINOVOIP/BPI-Scratch>

Install

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Install python-dev or python3-dev with the following command::

```
$ sudo apt-get install python-dev
$ sudo apt-get install python3-dev
```

Install python-setuptools, python-smbus, i2c-tools then::

```
$ sudo apt-get install python-setuptools python-smbus i2c-tools
```

Since i2c drivers are installed and enabled by default, you only have to install the spi drivers. Download the package from github <https://github.com/doceme/py-spidev>:

```
$ cd py-spidev
$ sudo python setup.py install
$ sudo python3 setup.py install
```

Please remember to install the latest version of RPi.GPIO and install:
For Banana Pro:

```
$ git clone https://github.com/LeMaker/RPi.GPIO_BP -b bananapro
```

For Banana Pi:

```
$ git clone https://github.com/LeMaker/RPi.GPIO_BP -b bananapi
$ sudo apt-get update
$ cd /RPi.GPIO_BP
$ python setup.py install
$ sudo python setup.py install
$ python3 setup.py install
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```

Enable the SPI module

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The extension boards communicate with the Banana Pi/Pro through the interfaces. The I2C module is included in the latest Banana Pi/Pro distributions and is enabled by default. But the SPI driver should be enabled manually::

```
$ sudo modprobe spi-sun7i
```

And you can permanently enable it by commenting out the ``blacklist spi-sun7i`` line in ``/etc/modprobe.d/bpi-blacklist.conf``.

```
$ sudo nano /etc/modprobe.d/bpi-blacklist.conf
```

Then enable spi modules by adding ``spi-sun7i`` and ``spidev`` to ``/etc/modules``

```
$ sudo nano /etc/modules
```

Enable the MESH mode for Scratch

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Please refer to <http://wiki.scratch.mit.edu/wiki/Mesh> => 1.3 Mesh by Modification of Scratch for details. Reboot after setting up the above steps.

1.2 Run

The file LeScratch.py can be run independently by either of the following: and it is suggested to start the Mesh mode Scratch first, and then run the python script, such that the connections will be built once the script runs.

```
$ sudo python LeScratch.py
```

or

```
$ sudo python3 LeScratch.py
```

2. Scratch Commands

2.1 GPIOs

2.1.1 Introduction

In the first place, remember to declare which GPIOs are going to be used by broadcast g[num]in and g[num]out, “in” means this GPIO will be the input and “out” means this GPIO will be an output. Then the declared GPIOs can be set to 1 or 0 easily:

Set the GPIO to High/1: g[num]on

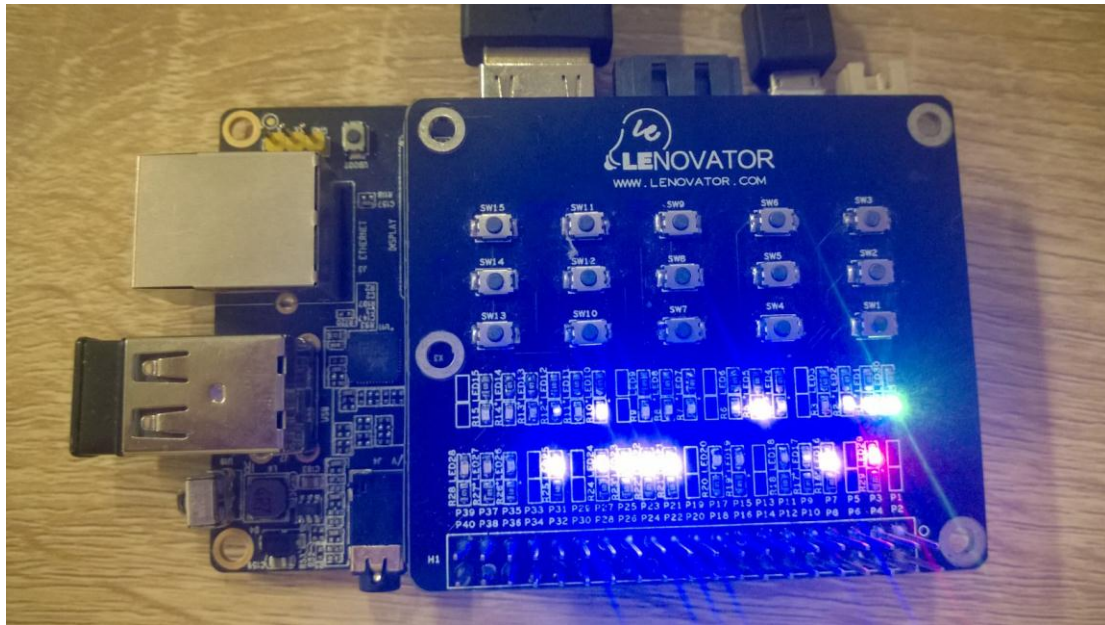
Set the GPIO to Low /0: g[num]off

Usages of the General Purpose INPUT OUTPUT Controls:

Command Format:	<i>g[num]in</i>	<i>g[num]out</i>	<i>g[num]on</i>	<i>g[num]off</i>
	<i>Input</i>	<i>Output</i>	<i>on/high</i>	<i>off/low</i>

Number out of the List [4, 5, 6, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27]

2.1.2 Example 1 – GPIO Board



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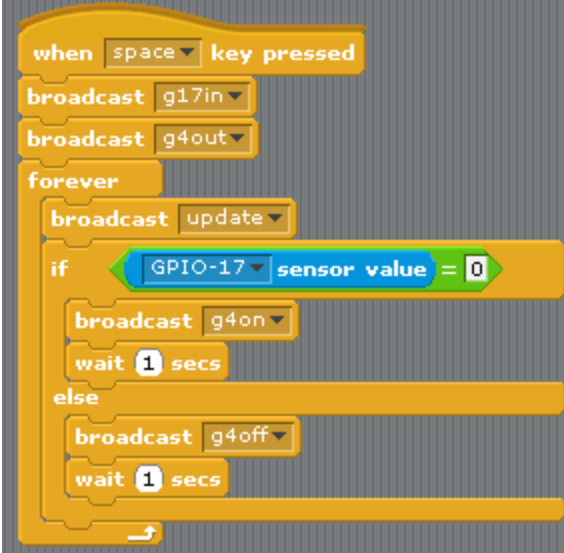
The GPIO board can be used to indicate the status of all the 40 pins on Banana Pi/Pro. The switches are related to some GPIO that can be used as input detection.

Click on the Green Flag to Run:
Declare GPIO 17 as output

While true
Set GPIO 17 to on/high
Wait for 1 second
Set GPIO 17 to off/low
Wait for 1 second
{Forever loop}

Click on the Green Flag to Run:
Declare GPIO 12, 13, 19, 16, 6 as output

While true
Set GPIO 12, 13, 19, 16, 6 to on/high, wait for 1 second
Set GPIO 12, 13, 19, 16, 6 to off/low, wait for 1 second
{Forever loop}



When keyboard Space is pressed
 Declare GPIO 17 as input
 Declare GPIO 4 as output

While true
 Update step
 Check
 if GPIO 17 = 0
 Set GPIO 4 to on/high
 Wait for 1 second
 Else
 Set GPIO 4 off/low
 Wait for 1 second
 {Forever loop}

2.2 I2C

2.2.1 Introduction

I2C has various address, once you attach an extension board to banana pro/pi, open the terminal and use i2c-tools to detect its address:

```
$ sudo i2cdetect -y 2
```

To specify the address, use the following formats:

Command "i2" + "address 0x(20-27)" + "a" + "bit (0 to 7)" for Port A

Command "i2" + "address 0x(20-27)" + "b" + "bit (0 to 7)" for Port B

Command "bit" + "address 0x(20-27)" + "a" + "bit (7 to 0)" for Port A

Command "bit" + "address 0x(20-27)" + "b" + "bit (7 to 0)" for Port B

Examples:

i221a1 => i2c address 0x21 Port A bit 1 ON

i222b4 => i2c address 0x22 Port B bit 4 ON

bit22b01010101 => address 0x22 port B from bit 7 to 0, output => 0b01010101

bit21a01010101 => address 0x21 port A from bit 7 to 0, output => 0b01010101

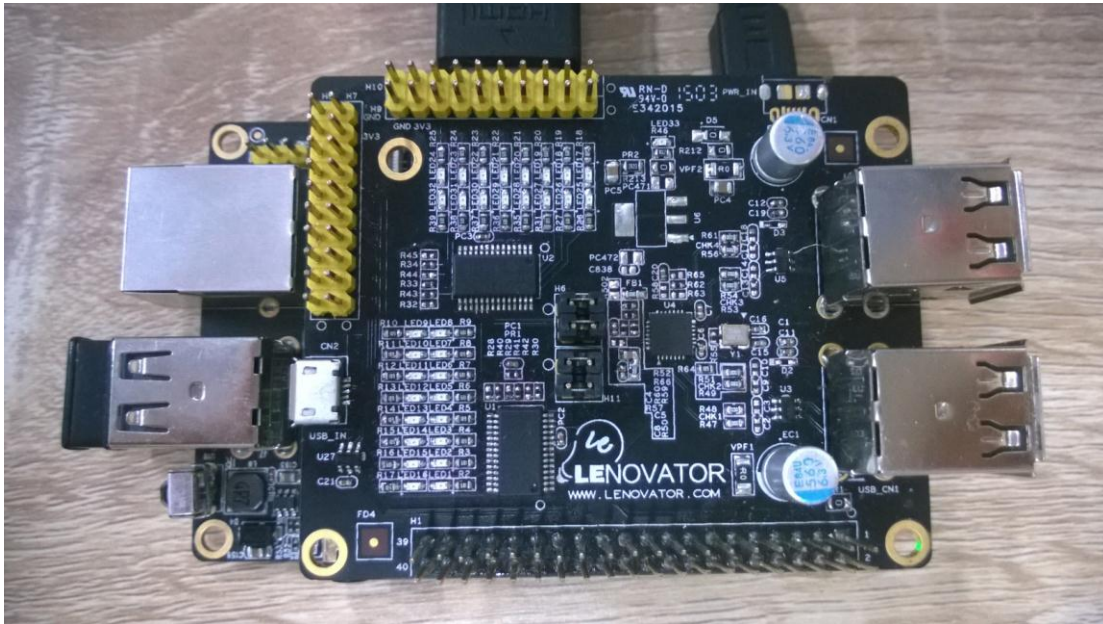
bit21aon => address 0x21 Port A all ON, 0b11111111

bit21boff => address 0x21 Port B all OFF/clear, 0b00000000

bit22aoff => address 0x22 Port A all OFF/clear

2.2.2 Example 1 – USB Hub

The USB Hub extension board has (4 Port USB Hub & 23017 x2 32GPIO) use I2C communication with banana pro/pi such that Scratch can control the extended functions.



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When keyboard a is pressed
(address 0x24, 0x26)
Clear port A, B

While true
Set address 0x24 port A to 0b10010111
Set address 0x24 port B to 0b01101000
{Forever loop}




When keyboard b is pressed
(address 0x24, 0x26)
Clear port A, B

While true
Set address 0x24 port A bit4 and bit7 to 1,
wait for 1 second
Set address 0x24 port B to bit and bit6 to 1
{Forever loop}



When up arrow is pressed
(address 0x24, 0x26)
Clear port A, B



When up arrow is pressed
(address 0x24, 0x26)
Clear port A, B

2.3 SPI

2.3.1 Introduction

LN Digital has one 16 bits mcp23s17 that communicates with banana pro using SPI. Mcp23s17 has 8 various addresses that allow extending 8 boards at the same time.

Command "sp"+ "address (0-7)" + "a" + "bit (0 to 7)" for Port A
 Command "sp"+ "address (0-7)" + "b" + "bit (0 to 7)" for Port B
 Command "bits"+ "address (0-7)" + "a" + "bit (7 to 0)" for Port A
 Command "bits"+ "address (0-7)" + "b" + "bit (7 to 0)" for Port B

Examples: (address 0-7 = 0x40-4E)

sp0a1 => spi address 0x40 Port A bit 1 ON

sp1b4 => spi address 0x42 Port B bit 4 ON

bits2b01010101 => address 0x44 port B from bit 7 to 0, output => 01010101

bits3a01010101 => address 0x46 port A from bit 7 to 0, output => 01010101

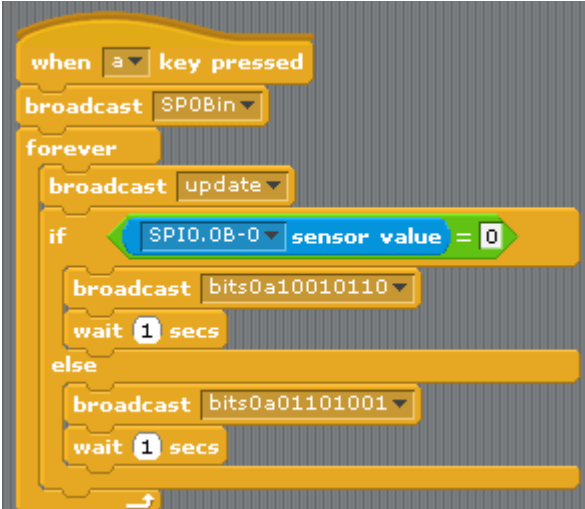
bits4aon => address 0x48 Port A all ON, 0b11111111

bits5boff => address 0x4A Port B all OFF/clear, 0b00000000

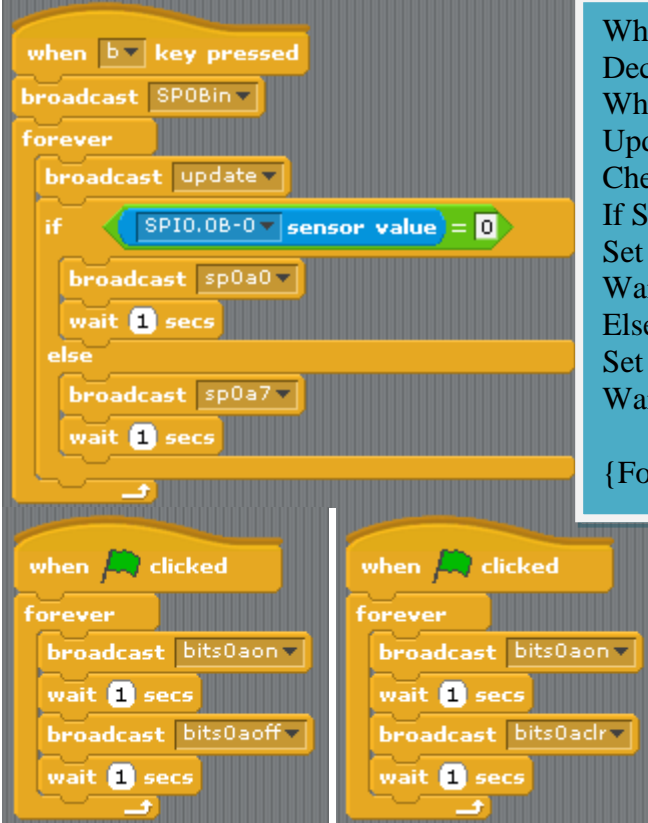
bits6aoff => address 0x4B Port A all OFF/clear

2.3.2 Example 1 – LNdigital

LNdigital can use general SPI format commands to control or use LNIO commands as it will be explained in the next part.



When keyboard a is pressed
 Declare address 0x40 port B as input
 While true
 Update step
 Check
 If SPI address 0x40 port B bit0 = 0
 Set SPI address 0x40 port A to 0b10010110, wait for 1 second
 Else
 Set SPI address 0x40 port A to 0b01101001, wait for 1 second
 {Forever loop}



When keyboard b is pressed
 Declare address 0x40 port B as input
 While true
 Update step
 Check
 If SPI address 0x40 port B bit0 = 0
 Set address 0x40 port A bit0 to 1
 Wait for 1 second
 Else
 Set address 0x40 port A bit7 to 1
 Wait for 1 second
 {Forever loop}

Click on the Green Flag to Run:
 While true
 Set SPI address 0x40 port A to all on, wait for 1 second
 Set SPI address 0x40 port A to all off, wait for 1 second

2.4 LN Digital

2.4.1 Introduction

LN Digital has one 16 bits mcp23s17 that can be configured as 8 bits port A and port B or 16 bits. Each port (A/B) can be configured as either input or output. By default it is configured as port A – output (1 to 8), port B – input (1 to 8).

LNDI[num]in LNDI[num]out LNDI[num]on LNDI[num]off Number (1 to 8)

Set the output to High/1: LNDI [num]on

Set the output to Low /0: LNDI [num]off

2.4.2 Example 1 – LNIO

The extension board LN Digital use SPI communication with banana pro / pi such that Scratch can access the following:

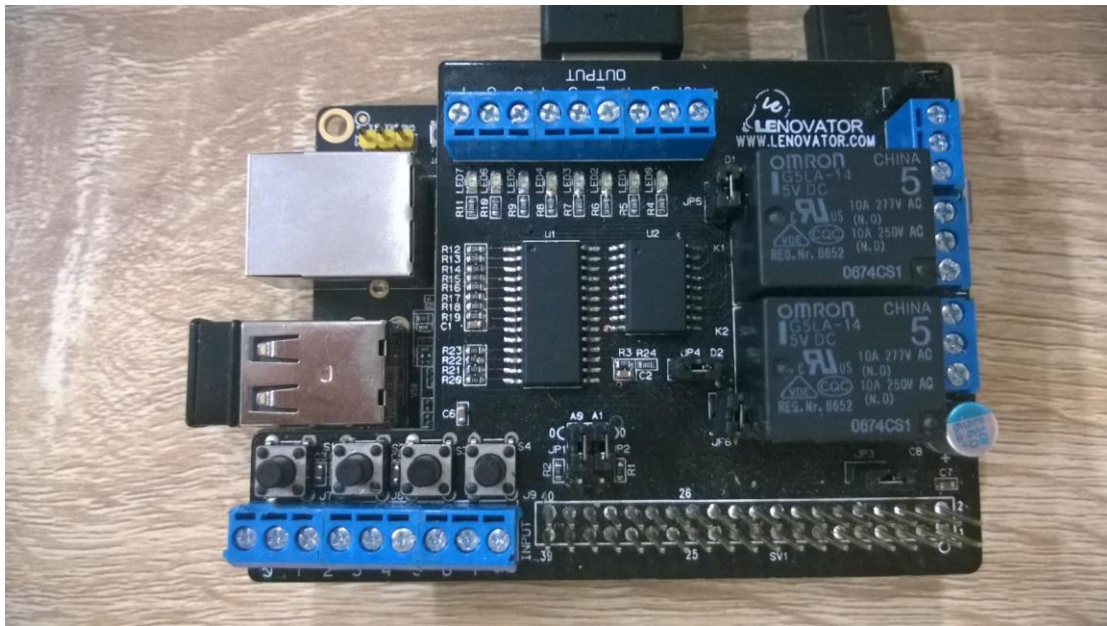
8 Open-Collector Outputs

8 LED Indicators

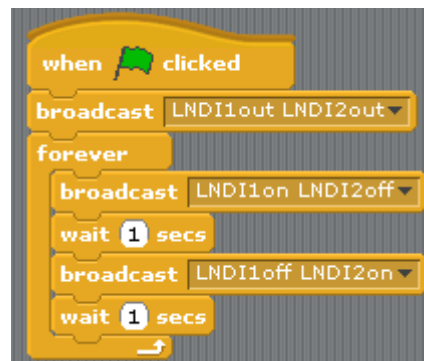
8 Digital Inputs

4 Tactile Switches (The interrupt event is set to listen on the 4 inputs switch.)

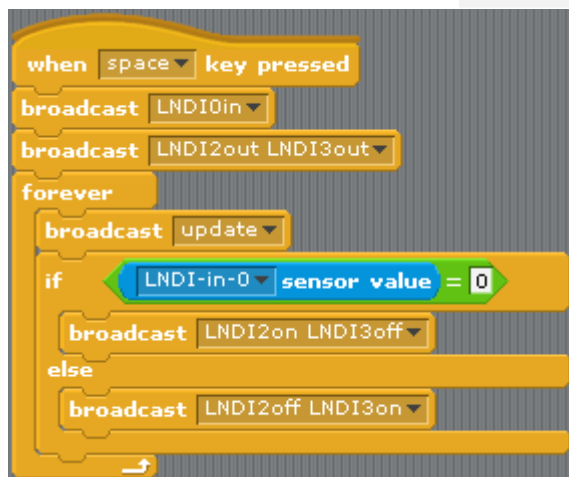
2 Changeover Relays (Port A output bit1 – relay 1, Port A output bit2 – relay 2.)



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Click the Green Flag to Run:
 Declare LNDI1, LNDI2 output
 While true
 LNDI1out set to on/high
 LNDI2 out set to off/low
 Wait for 1 second
 LNDI1 out set to off/low
 LNDI2 out set to on/high
 Wait for 1 second



When space is pressed
 LNDI1out, LNDI2out, LNDI3out,
 Declare LNDI1in,
 While true
 Update info
 If LNDI1in is detected as input button
 pressed

Set LNDI1, 3 out to on/high
 Set LNDI2 out to off/low
 Else (no input is detected)

Set LNDI1, 3 out to off/low
 Set LNDI2 out to on/high