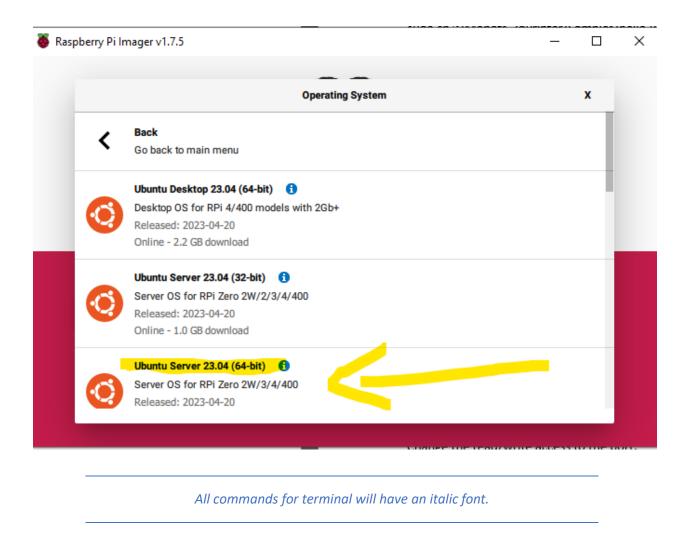
RoMoController Instalation tutorial

The recommended OS for the Raspberry Pi is Ubuntu Server 23.04 or higher because it contains the latest toolchain and apps, I cannot guarantee this document would be valid with a different distribution.



- 1. sudo apt update
- 2. Install cmake, min version 3.24

sudo apt install cmake

If you are not using the latest Ubuntu OS you may not have cmake v3.24+ in the package manager, follow these steps to install a newer cmake version(otherwise skip to step 3):

You can download the current latest release for arm chips using this command:

curl -OL https://github.com/Kitware/CMake/releases/download/v3.26.4/cmake-3.26.4-linux-aarch64.sh

then make the script an executable using:

sudo chmod +x cmake-3.26.4-linux-aarch64.sh

Then run the script to download and unzip using:

./cmake-3.26.4-linux-aarch64.sh

Now you should have the cmake executable in the current directory, we need to add it to the PATH so you can access it without the path prefix:

sudo nano ~/.bashrc

at the end of .bashrc write this line:

export PATH="/home/\$USER/cmake-3.26.4-linux-aarch64/bin:\$PATH"

3. Install clang, you may need to install clang manually if you are not using the latest Ubuntu OS, the minimum version of clang should be version 5 for C++17 support.

Run this command to install all tools:

sudo apt install clang-format clang-tidy clang-tools clang clangd libc++-dev libc++1 libc++abi-dev libc++abi1 libclang-dev libclang1 liblldb-dev libllvm-ocaml-dev libomp-dev libomp5 lld lldb llvm-dev llvm-runtime llvm python3-clang

- 4. sudo apt install ninja-build
- 5. Add your user to the dialout group so you can access the serial port without sudo rights: sudo adduser \$USER dialout
- 6. sudo reboot
- 7. cd ~
- 8. git clone https://github.com/vladsomai/Mobots-3dPrinter.git
- 9. cd Mobots-3dPrinter
- 10. We must specify the path to the compiler in the build.sh file. We can find the clang path by using this command:

clang++ -version

you should see the installation dir of clang, now set this path in the build.sh:

sudo nano ./build.sh

modify the C_COMPILER and CXX_COMPILER variables to the path you got from clang++ --version after you save the file, execute it:

./build.sh Release

You should see the build files generated in the "build" folder together with the executable "RoMoController"

11. cd./build/RoMoController

12. Set the serial port:

Use this command to find all the connected serial ports

sudo dmesg | grep tty

for example I see "/dev/ttyUSB0"

You can use minicom to setup the serial port and test the motors reset when sending the reset all command from the following 2 commands in the command line:

sudo echo -en '\xFF\x1B\x00' > binary.file
cat binary.file > /dev/ttyUSB0

Modify the SERIAL_PORT from config.ini to the correct serial port:

sudo nano ~/Mobots-3dPrinter/build//RoMoController/config.ini

13. Run the executable using:

./RoMoController

After running the executable, the motors should start moving according to the gcode file, you will see a log file created in the same directory as the executable, the name of the log file is the current date, the app will generate max 2 logs and alternate between them when they reach 2mb in size(e.g. log_1 is full, start log_2, log_2 is full, delete log_1 and start log_1 from scratch and so on). The log file shall describe the steps the app makes, show errors or info, the log is not 100% complete it may not contain all the errors at the moment.