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# Setup RPI and Crickit

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- Minibot GitHub : <https://github.com/Atikul99/minibot>



# CHAPTER 1

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## Crickit Prerequisites

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*Setup Crickit for development*

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**Note:** No additional power supply is needed for the following steps

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### 1.1 Update the Crickit

1. Plug in USB cable into seesaw/Crickit
2. Double-click the Crickit Reset button
3. Look for pulsing yellow LED
4. Look for a New Disk on Your Computer [CRICKITBOOT]

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Local Disk (C:)

1.08 TB free of 1.81 TB



DVD Drive (D:)



CRICKITBOOT (F:)

3.36 MB free of 3.87 MB

5. Download the [latest firmware](#)

6. Drag UF2 file onto CRICKITBOOT

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✓ Devices and drives (3)



Local Disk (C:)

1.08 TB free of 1.81 TB



DVD Drive (D:)



CRICKITBOOT (F:)

3.36 MB free of 3.87 MB

+ Copy to CRICKITBOOT (F:)

7. Party!

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## 1.2 Power Supply

Now plug in the included battery bank for power supply

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**Hint:** *For more help, refer to adafruit's website for further guidance*

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# CHAPTER 2

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## Raspberry-Pi Prerequisites

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*Please run the following commands to setup the raspberry pi for code deployment*

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**Note:** Connect to a display using HDMI to run the code

Raspberry Pi password = raspberry

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### 2.1 Power Supply

Use the included battery bank for power supply

### 2.2 Update distribution packages

*First lets update your distribution packages*

```
sudo apt-get update;  
sudo apt-get upgrade;  
sudo reboot;
```

### 2.3 Install git, python3 & pip

*Next run the following commands to install git, python3 & pip*

**Attention:** Python3 is required

```
sudo apt-get install -y python3 git python3-pip
```

## 2.4 Install CRICKIT Python3 lib.

*Next run the following commands to install CRICKIT Python 3 libraries*

```
sudo pip3 install RPI.GPIO adafruit-blinka
```

## 2.5 Install smbus i2c-tools

*Next run the following commands to add SMBus and I2C support to Python*

```
sudo apt-get install python-smbus;  
sudo apt-get install -y i2c-tools
```

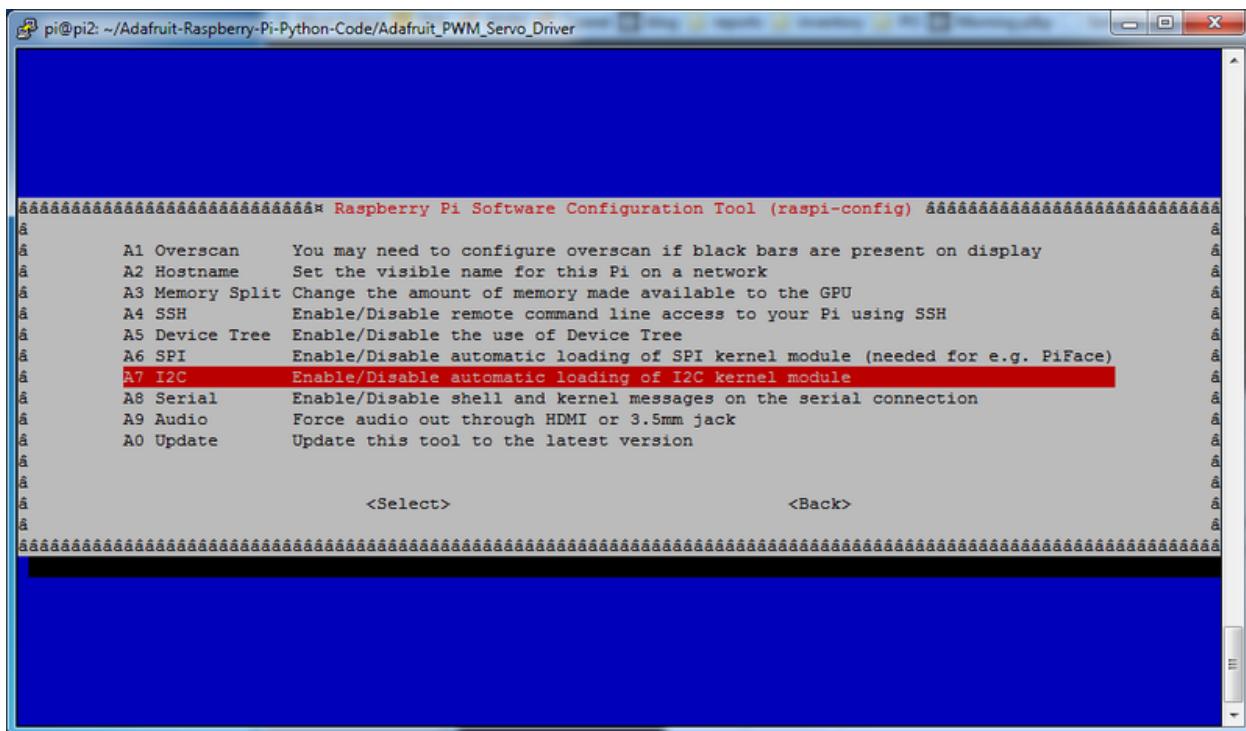
## 2.6 I2C Kernal Support

*Installing Kernel Support for I2C devices*

*Run the following command for gui interface*

```
sudo raspi-config
```

On the GUI select **Interfacing Options** followed by **I2C**



*When prompted to Enable I2C select “yes”*

*Reboot device to ensure I2C device support*

*To reboot run the following command*

```
sudo reboot
```

*Upon boot run the following command to see all the connected devices*

```
sudo i2cdetect -y 1
```

*it should show up at 0x40 (binary 1000000) as follows:*

```
pi@raspberrypi:~/code/Adafruit-Raspberry-Pi-Python-Code/Adafruit_PWM_Servo_Driver$ sudo i2cdetect -y 1
      0  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  a  b  c  d  e  f
00: --
10: --
20: --
30: --
40: 40 --
50: --
60: --
70: 70 --
pi@raspberrypi:~/code/Adafruit-Raspberry-Pi-Python-Code/Adafruit_PWM_Servo_Driver$ 
```

## 2.7 Install adafruit-circuitpython-crickit

*To interact with the servos, install adafruit-circuitpython-crickit by running the following command*

```
sudo pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-crickit
```

## 2.8 Run all at once

```
# Installations
sudo apt-get update;
sudo apt-get upgrade;
sudo reboot;
sudo apt-get install -y python3 git python3-pip;
sudo pip3 install RPI.GPIO adafruit-blinka;
sudo apt-get install python-smbus;
sudo apt-get install -y i2c-tools;
# User input is required [select Interfacing Options>>I2C>>yes]
sudo raspi-config;

# Need to run separately
sudo reboot;
sudo i2cdetect -y 1
```

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**Hint:** *For more help, refer to adafruit's website for further guidance*

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# CHAPTER 3

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## Motors and Servos

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*Ports for plugging in Motors and Servos*

### 3.1 DC-Motors

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**Note:** Crickit HAT only supports 2 DC Motors

*Use with Motor port on the Crickit HAT*

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### 3.2 Servos and Continuous Servos

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**Note:** Crickit HAT only supports 4 DC Motors

*Use with Servo port on the Crickit HAT*

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# CHAPTER 4

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## Setup

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*In order to start coding download the package minilib*

### 4.1 Install minilib

*Lets install minilib*

```
pip3 install minilib
```

### 4.2 Party!

*You're done*



# CHAPTER 5

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## Sample code

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*Sample code utilizing minilib package*

Test driving

```
from minilib import Joystick, ArcadeDrive, Motor

left = Motor(0)
right = Motor(1)
jstick = Joystick(0)
robot = ArcadeDrive(left, right)

while True:
    forwardAxis = jstick.getAxis(1)
    steerAxis = jstick.getAxis(3)
    robot.drive(forwardAxis, steerAxis)
```

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Test Motors

```
import time
from minilib import Motor

motor_1 = Motor(0)
motor_2 = Motor(1)

for _ in range(3):
    motor_1.throttle(1)
    motor_2.throttle(-1)
    time.sleep(1)

    motor_1.throttle(-0.5)
    motor_2.throttle(0.5)
    time.sleep(1.5)
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```
motor_1.throttle(1)
motor_2.throttle(-1)
time.sleep(1)
```

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### Test Servos

```
import time
from minilib import Servo

servo_1 = Servo(0)
servo_2 = Servo(1)

for _ in range(3):
    servo_1.angle(180)
    servo_2.angle(-180)
    time.sleep(1)

    servo_1.angle(-90)
    servo_2.angle(90)
    time.sleep(1.5)

    servo_1.angle(180)
    servo_2.angle(-180)
    time.sleep(1)
```

# CHAPTER 6

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## minilib Library

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*Documentation for the Library*

### 6.1 minilib.ArcadeDrive

```
class minilib.Drive.ArcadeDrive(self, left, right)
```

```
__init__(self, left, right)  
Setup Arcade drive
```

#### Parameters

- **left** – left side drive
- **rightServo** (*continuous\_servo*) – right side drive

```
drive(self, forwardPower, steerPower)
```

Drive given the forward and steer axis power Meant to be run inside a while loop

#### Parameters

- **forwardPower** (*float*) – Forward power from joystick axis
- **steerPower** (*float*) – Steer power from joystick axis

### 6.2 minilib.TankDrive

```
class minilib.Drive.TankDrive(self, left, right)
```

```
__init__(self, left, right)  
Setup Arcade drive
```

#### Parameters

- **left** – left side drive
- **rightServo** (*continuous\_servo*) – right side drive

**drive** (*self, leftPower, rightPower*)

**Drive given the left and right axis power** Meant to be run inside a while loop

#### Parameters

- **leftPower** (*float*) – Forward power from joystick axis
- **rightPower** (*float*) – Steer power from joystick axis

## 6.3 miniblib.Joystick

**class** miniblib.Joystick.Joystick (*self, ID, deadband=0*)

**\_\_init\_\_** (*self, ID, deadband=0*)

Setup Joystick control using pygame :param id: ID of the joystick :type id: int

**getAxis** (*self, axisID*)

Get the value of the axis

**Parameters** **axisID** (*int*) – Id of the axis

**Returns** value of the axis

**Return type** float

**getButton** (*self, buttonID*)

Get the state of the button

**Parameters** **buttonID** (*int*) – Id of the button

**Returns** state of the button

**Return type** bool

## 6.4 miniblib.Motor

**class** miniblib.Motor.Motor (*self, ID*)

**\_\_init\_\_** (*self, ID*)

Inintialize the DC Motor

**Parameters** **ID** (*int*) – The ID of the Motor [0,1]

**throttle** (*self, power*)

Input power for the Motor

**Parameters** **power** (*float*) – Value from -1 to 1

## 6.5 minilib.Servo

```
class minilib.Servo.Servo (self, ID)
```

```
__init__(self, ID)
```

Initialize a Servo

**Parameters** **ID** (*int*) – ID of the Servo [0,1,2,3]

```
angle(self, degree)
```

Set the angle to rotate to

**Parameters** **degree** (*int*) – degree of the Servo

## 6.6 minilib.Servo.ContiniousServo

```
class minilib.Servo.ContiniousServo (self, ID)
```

```
__init__(self, ID)
```

Initialize a Continious Servo

**Parameters** **ID** (*int*) – ID of the Continious Servo [0,1,2,3]

```
throttle(self, power)
```

Set the throttle of the Continious Servo

**Parameters** **power** (*float*) – Power of the Continious Servo -1 to 1



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