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# pyCreate2 Documentation

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pyCreate2 is a package to control an iRobot Create2 robot. It supports seamless integration with the V-REP robotics simulator. Scripts can be run without any changes in simulation and on the physical robot. The iCreate2 robot is extended with an embedded computer, allowing fully autonomous operation.



# CHAPTER 1

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## Getting Starting

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### Simulation

1. Download pyCreate2 from the github repository
2. Download [V-REP](#)
3. Open example1.ttt in V-REP
4. Execute:

```
python3 run.py example1 --sim
```

### Physical Robot

1. Modify your robot by following this section [\*Hardware\*](#)
2. Install Ubuntu on the ODROID
3. Copy the python files to the ODROID
4. Execute:

```
python3 run.py example1
```

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## pyCreate2

### pyCreate2 package

#### Subpackages

##### pyCreate2.robot package

###### Submodules

###### pyCreate2.robot.create2\_driver module

###### pyCreate2.robot.gpio module

Module to use ODROID's GPIOs.

**class** pyCreate2.robot.gpio.**Gpio**(*number*)

Bases: object

Class to use general purpose input/output (GPIO) pins.

This class specifically targets the standard linux support for GPIO as provided by ODROID. More details can be found here: [http://odroid.com/dokuwiki/doku.php?id=en:c1\\_hardware\\_pwm](http://odroid.com/dokuwiki/doku.php?id=en:c1_hardware_pwm). The sysfs interface is described here: <https://www.kernel.org/doc/Documentation/gpio/sysfs.txt>. It supports setting the value and waiting for a hardware interrupt.

**set\_direction**(*direction*)

Set the direction (input/output) of the pin.

**Parameters** **direction** (*string*) – One of “in”, “out”, “low”, “high”.

**set\_edge**(*edge*)

Set the edge trigger for HW interrupt support. Use *wait\_for\_interrupt* to wait for an interrupt afterwards.

**Parameters** **edge** (*string*) – One of “none”, “rising”, “falling”, “both”

**set\_value**(*value*)

Set the current value of the pin (only valid if configured as output.)

**Parameters** **value** (*integer*) – 0 or 1.

**wait\_for\_interrupt**(*timeout\_in\_ms=1000*)

Waits until timeout or interrupt occurs.

**Parameters** **timeout\_in\_ms** (*integer*) – maximum time to wait for an interrupt

**Returns** None if timeout occurred or the current value of the pin in case the interrupt was triggered.

###### pyCreate2.robot.pwm module

Module to use ODROID's HW PWM.

**class** pyCreate2.robot.pwm.**Pwm**(*number=0*)

Bases: object

Class to use general pulse-width-modulation.

This class specifically targets the standard linux support for PWM as provided by ODROID. More details can be found here: [http://odroid.com/dokuwiki/doku.php?id=en:c1\\_hardware\\_pwm](http://odroid.com/dokuwiki/doku.php?id=en:c1_hardware_pwm). The sysfs interface is described here: <https://www.kernel.org/doc/Documentation/pwm.txt>. It supports setting the value and waiting for a hardware interrupt.

**disable()**

Disables PWM.

**enable()**

Enables PWM.

**set\_duty\_cycle(*duty\_in\_percent*)**

Set the duty cycle of the pulse width

**Parameters** **duty\_in\_percent** (*float*) – duty signal in percent (i.e. 0.0 to 100.0)

**set\_frequency(*frequency\_in\_hertz*)**

Set the frequency of the pulse width

**Parameters** **frequency\_in\_hertz** (*integer*) – frequency in Hertz.

## pyCreate2.robot.servo module

### pyCreate2.robot.sonar module

Module to interface a PING Sonar connected via GPIO

**class pyCreate2.robot.sonar.Sonar(*pin*)**

Bases: object

Class to use the PING Sonar

This class assumes that the PING sonar is connected using a GPIO pin. It implements the protocol specified in <https://www.parallax.com/sites/default/files/downloads/28015-PING-Documentation-v1.6.pdf> using hardware interrupts.

**Parameters** **pin** – GPIO pin number where the sonar is connected to.

**get\_distance()**

Queries the current distance from the sonar.

Starts a new measurement cycle (which takes up to 19 ms) and returns the measured distance in m.

**Returns** Distance in m. If there was an error, it returns 3.3 m.

## Module contents

### pyCreate2.simulation package

#### Submodules

##### pyCreate2.simulation.create2\_vrep module

##### pyCreate2.simulation.kuka\_lbr4p\_vrep module

Module to control the KUKA LBR4+ in V-REP.

```
class pyCreate2.simulation.kuka_lbr4p_vrep.KukaLBR4PlusVrep(client_id)
Bases: object
```

Class to control the KUKA LBR4+ Manipulator in V-REP.

**disable\_painting()**

Disable spray painting end-effector.

**enable\_painting()**

Enable spray painting end-effector.

**go\_to(joint, angle)**

Go to specified target angle.

#### Parameters

- **joint** (*int*) – number of joint to change (0 to 7)
- **angle** (*float*) – radians

**set\_color(r, g, b)**

Set spray painting color (RGB).

#### Parameters

- **r** (*float*) – red component (0 to 1)
- **g** (*float*) – green component (0 to 1)
- **b** (*float*) – blue component (0 to 1)

## pyCreate2.simulation.servo module

Module to control a virtual Servo.

```
class pyCreate2.simulation.servo.Servo(client_id)
Bases: object
```

Class to control a virtual servo in V-REP. The servo is modeled as joint, using an integrated position controller in V-REP.

**go\_to(angle)**

Go to specified target angle.

**Parameters** **angle** (*float*) – -90 - 90 degrees. 0 means facing forward. Negative numbers turn to the left.

## pyCreate2.simulation.sonar module

Module to control a virtual Sonar.

```
class pyCreate2.simulation.sonar.Sonar(client_id)
Bases: object
```

Class to control a virtual sonar.

**get\_distance()**

Queries the current distance from the sonar.

We use a proximity sensor in V-REP to model the sonar.

**Returns** Distance in m. If there was an error, it returns 3.3 m.

## pyCreate2.simulation.time\_helper module

Module to deal with simulation time.

```
class pyCreate2.simulation.time_helper.TimeHelper(client_id)
    Bases: object
```

This class is similar to the default time module of python, however it uses V-REPs simulation time rather than real time.

```
sleep(wait_in_sec)
```

Wait for the specified number of seconds (simulation time).

The simulation will continue making progress.

**Parameters** `wait_in_sec` (`float`) – time (in seconds) to continue simulation.

```
time()
```

Query current time. Simulation starts at time 0.

**Returns** Elapsed simulated seconds.

## Module contents

### pyCreate2.visualization package

#### Submodules

## pyCreate2.visualization.virtual\_create module

Module to control a virtual create

```
class pyCreate2.visualization.virtual_create.VirtualCreate(client_id)
    Bases: object
```

Class to control a virtual create in V-REP.

```
class Button
```

Bases: enum.Enum

An enumeration.

```
MoveForward = 3
```

```
Sense = 6
```

```
TurnLeft = 4
```

```
TurnRight = 5
```

```
VirtualCreate.disable_buttons()
```

```
VirtualCreate.enable_buttons()
```

```
VirtualCreate.get_last_button()
```

```
VirtualCreate.set_point_cloud(data)
```

```
VirtualCreate.set_pose(position, yaw)
```

## Module contents

```
class pyCreate2.visualization.VirtualCreate(client_id)
    Bases: object

    Class to control a virtual create in V-REP.

class Button
    Bases: enum.Enum

    An enumeration.

    MoveForward = 3
    Sense = 6
    TurnLeft = 4
    TurnRight = 5

    VirtualCreate.disable_buttons()
    VirtualCreate.enable_buttons()
    VirtualCreate.get_last_button()
    VirtualCreate.set_point_cloud(data)
    VirtualCreate.set_pose(position, yaw)
```

## pyCreate2.vrep package

### Submodules

#### pyCreate2.vrep.vrep module

pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxAddStatusBarMessage(clientID, message, operationMode)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxAppendStringSignal(clientID, signalName, signalValue, operationMode)

Please have a look at the function description/documentation in the V-REP user manual

pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxAuxiliaryConsoleClose(clientID, consoleHandle, operationMode)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxAuxiliaryConsoleOpen(clientID, title, maxLines, mode, position, size, textColor, backgroundColor, operationMode)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxAuxiliaryConsolePrint(clientID, consoleHandle, txt, operationMode)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxAuxiliaryConsoleShow(clientID, consoleHandle, showState, operationMode)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxBreakForceSensor(clientID, forceSensorHandle, operationMode)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxClearFloatSignal** (*clientID*, *signalName*, *operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxClearIntegerSignal** (*clientID*, *signalName*, *operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxClearStringSignal** (*clientID*, *signalName*, *operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxCloseScene** (*clientID*, *operationMode*)

Please have a look at the function description/documentation in the V-REP user manual

pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxCopyPasteObjects** (*clientID*, *objectHandles*, *operationMode*)

Please have a look at the function description/documentation in the V-REP user manual

pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxCreatBuffer** (*bufferSize*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxCreatDummy** (*clientID*, *size*, *color*, *operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxDiplayDialog** (*clientID*, *titleText*, *mainText*, *dialogType*, *initialText*, *titleColors*, *dialogColors*, *operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxEndDialog** (*clientID*, *dialogHandle*, *operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxEraseFile** (*clientID*, *fileName\_serverSide*, *operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxFinish** (*clientID*)

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`pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxGetModelProperty(clientID, objectHandle, operationMode)`

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxGetOutMessageInfo** (*clientID, infoType*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxGetStringSignal** (*clientID, signalName, operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxGetUIButtonProperty** (*clientID, uiHandle, uiButtonID, operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxGetUIEventButton** (*clientID, uiHandle, operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxGetUIHandle** (*clientID, uiName, operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxGetUISlider** (*clientID, uiHandle, uiButtonID, operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxGetVisionSensorDepthBuffer** (*clientID, sensorHandle, operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxLoadModel** (*clientID, modelPathAndName, options, operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxPauseSimulation** (*clientID, operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxQuery** (*clientID, signalName, signalValue, retSignalName, timeOutInMs*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxReadCollision** (*clientID, collisionObjectHandle, operationMode*)

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pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.**simxReadDistance** (*clientID, distanceObjectHandle, operationMode*)

Please have a look at the function description/documentation in the V-REP user manual

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```
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```

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```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxSetObjectIntParameter(clientID, objectHandle, parameterID, pa-  
rameterValue, operationMode)
```

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```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxSetObjectOrientation(clientID, objectHandle, relativeToObjec-  
tHandle, eulerAngles, operationMode)
```

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```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxSetObjectParent(clientID, objectHandle, parentObject, keepInPlace,  
operationMode)
```

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```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxSetObjectPosition(clientID, objectHandle, relativeToObjec-  
tHandle, position, operationMode)
```

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```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxSetObjectSelection(clientID, objectHandles, operationMode)
```

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```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxSetSphericalJointMatrix(clientID, jointHandle, matrix, opera-  
tionMode)
```

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```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxSetStringSignal(clientID, signalName, signalValue, opera-  
tionMode)
```

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```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxSetUIButtonLabel(clientID, uiHandle, uiButtonID, upStateLabel,  
downStateLabel, operationMode)
```

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```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxSetUIButtonProperty(clientID, uiHandle, uiButtonID, prop, opera-  
tionMode)
```

Please have a look at the function description/documentation in the V-REP user manual

```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxSetUISlider(clientID, uiHandle, uiButtonID, position, opera-  
tionMode)
```

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```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxSetVisionSensorImage(clientID, sensorHandle, image, options, op-  
erationMode)
```

Please have a look at the function description/documentation in the V-REP user manual

```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxStart(connectionAddress, connectionPort, waitUntilConnected,  
doNotReconnectOnceDisconnected, timeOutInMs, commThread-  
CycleInMs)
```

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```
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```

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```

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```

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```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxUnpackInts(intsPackedInString)
```

Please have a look at the function description/documentation in the V-REP user manual

```
pyCreate2.vrep.vrep.simxWriteStringStream(clientID, signalName, signalValue, operationMode)
```

Please have a look at the function description/documentation in the V-REP user manual

## pyCreate2.vrep.vrepConst module

### Module contents

#### Submodules

## pyCreate2.create2 module

Helper enumerations which are both used for simulation and driver.

```
class pyCreate2.create2.ChargingState
```

Bases: enum.Enum

An enumeration.

```
    ChargingFaultCondition = 5
```

```
    ChargingStateWaiting = 4
```

```
    FullCharging = 2
```

```
    NotCharging = 0
```

```
    ReconditioningCharging = 1
```

```
    TrickleCharging = 3
```

```
class pyCreate2.create2.InfraredCharacter
```

Bases: enum.Enum

An enumeration.

```
    DockForceField = 242
```

```
    DockGreenBuoy = 244
```

```
    DockGreenBuoyAndForceField = 246
```

```
    DockRedBuoy = 248
```

```
    DockRedBuoyAndForceField = 250
```

```
    DockRedBuoyAndGreenBuoyAndForceField = 254
```

```
    DockRedBuoyGreenBuoy = 252
```

```
class pyCreate2.create2.Mode
```

Bases: enum.Enum

An enumeration.

```
Full = 3
Off = 0
Passive = 1
Safe = 2

class pyCreate2.create2.Op
    Bases: object

    Baud = 129
    Buttons = 165
    Clean = 135
    Control = 130
    DigitsLedsAscii = 164
    DigitsLedsRaw = 163
    Drive = 137
    DriveDirect = 145
    DrivePwm = 146
    Full = 132
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    SetDayTime = 168
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```

```
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        Angle = 20
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        BumpsAndWheelDrops = 7
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        MainBrushMotorCurrent = 56
        NumberOfStreamPackets = 38
        OIMode = 35
        RequestedLeftVelocity = 42
```

```
RequestedRadius = 40
RequestedRightVelocity = 41
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RightBumper = 45
RightEncoderCounts = 44
RightMotorCurrent = 55
SideBrushMotorCurrent = 57
SongNumber = 36
SongPlaying = 37
Stasis = 58
Temperature = 24
VirtualWall = 13
Voltage = 22
WheelOvercurrents = 14

class pyCreate2.create2.Specs
    Bases: object

        CountsPerRev = 508.8
        WheelDiameterInMM = 72.0
        WheelDistanceInMM = 235.0

class pyCreate2.create2.State
    Bases: object
```

## pyCreate2.factory module

Module with factory methods for different objects (either real or simulation)

```
class pyCreate2.factory.FactoryCreate
    Bases: object

        Class to create objects which are related to the physical iRobot Create2 robot.

        close()
            Clean-up

        create_create()
            Instantiates a new create robot (only a single one is supported!)

            Returns (robot.Create2Driver) instance of robot.Create2Driver

        create_pen_holder()
            Instantiates a new pen holder (only a single one is supported!)

            Returns (robot.PenHolder) instance of robot.PenHolder

        create_servo()
            Instantiates a new servo (only a single one is supported!)

            Returns (robot.Servo) instance of robot.Servo
```

```
create_sonar()
Instantiates a new sonar (only a single one is supported!)

    Returns (robot.Sonar) instance of robot.Sonar

create_time_helper()
Instantiates a new time object.

    Returns (time) instance of time

create_tracker(tag_id, sd_x=0, sd_y=0, sd_theta=0)
create_virtual_create(hostname)
Instantiates a new virtual create for visualization (only a single one is supported!)

    Returns (visualization.VirtualCreate) instance of visualization.VirtualCreate

class pyCreate2.factory.FactorySimulation
Bases: object

Class to create objects which are simulated.

close()
Clean-up

create_create()
Instantiates a new create robot (only a single one is supported!)

    Returns (simulation.Create2Vrep) instance of simulation.Create2Vrep

create_kuka_lbr4p()
Instantiates a new robotic arm (only a single one is supported!)

    Returns (simulation.KukaLBR4PlusVrep) instance of simulation.KukaLBR4PlusVrep

create_pen_holder()
Instantiates a new pen holder (only a single one is supported!)

    Returns (simulation.PenHolder) instance of simulation.PenHolder

create_servo()
Instantiates a new servo (only a single one is supported!)

    Returns (simulation.Servo) instance of simulation.Servo

create_sonar()
Instantiates a new sonar (only a single one is supported!)

    Returns (simulation.Sonar) instance of simulation.Sonar

create_time_helper()
Instantiates a new time object.

    Returns (simulation.TimeHelper) instance of simulation.TimeHelper

create_tracker(tag_id, sd_x=0.01, sd_y=0.01, sd_theta=0.01)
create_virtual_create()
Instantiates a new virtual create for visualization (only a single one is supported!)

    Returns (visualization.VirtualCreate) instance of visualization.VirtualCreate
```

## Module contents

```
class pyCreate2.FactoryCreate
    Bases: object
```

Class to create objects which are related to the physical iRobot Create2 robot.

**close()**

Clean-up

**create\_create()**

Instantiates a new create robot (only a single one is supported!)

**Returns** (robot.Create2Driver) instance of robot.Create2Driver

**create\_pen\_holder()**

Instantiates a new pen holder (only a single one is supported!)

**Returns** (robot.PenHolder) instance of robot.PenHolder

**create\_servo()**

Instantiates a new servo (only a single one is supported!)

**Returns** (robot.Servo) instance of robot.Servo

**create\_sonar()**

Instantiates a new sonar (only a single one is supported!)

**Returns** (robot.Sonar) instance of robot.Sonar

**create\_time\_helper()**

Instantiates a new time object.

**Returns** (time) instance of time

**create\_tracker**(tag\_id, sd\_x=0, sd\_y=0, sd\_theta=0)

**create\_virtual\_create**(hostname)

Instantiates a new virtual create for visualization (only a single one is supported!)

**Returns** (visualization.VirtualCreate) instance of visualization.VirtualCreate

```
class pyCreate2.FactorySimulation
```

**Bases:** object

Class to create objects which are simulated.

**close()**

Clean-up

**create\_create()**

Instantiates a new create robot (only a single one is supported!)

**Returns** (simulation.Create2Vrep) instance of simulation.Create2Vrep

**create\_kuka\_lbr4p()**

Instantiates a new robotic arm (only a single one is supported!)

**Returns** (simulation.KukaLBR4PlusVrep) instance of simulation.KukaLBR4PlusVrep

**create\_pen\_holder()**

Instantiates a new pen holder (only a single one is supported!)

**Returns** (simulation.PenHolder) instance of simulation.PenHolder

```
create_servo()
    Instantiates a new servo (only a single one is supported!)

    Returns (simulation.Servo) instance of simulation.Servo

create_sonar()
    Instantiates a new sonar (only a single one is supported!)

    Returns (simulation.Sonar) instance of simulation.Sonar

create_time_helper()
    Instantiates a new time object.

    Returns (simulation.TimeHelper) instance of simulation.TimeHelper

create_tracker(tag_id, sd_x=0.01, sd_y=0.01, sd_theta=0.01)

create_virtual_create()
    Instantiates a new virtual create for visualization (only a single one is supported!)

    Returns (visualization.VirtualCreate) instance of visualization.VirtualCreate
```

## **example1 module**

Example to move robot forward for 10 seconds Use “python3 run.py [–sim] example1” to execute

```
class example1.Run(factory)
    Bases: object

    run()
```

## **run module**

Actual helper script to execute code. It takes care of proper error handling (e.g. if you press CTRL+C) and the difference between running code on the robot vs. in simulation.

**Usage:** python3 run.py –sim lab1 [for simulation] python3 run.py lab1 [to run on a robot]

## **Hardware**

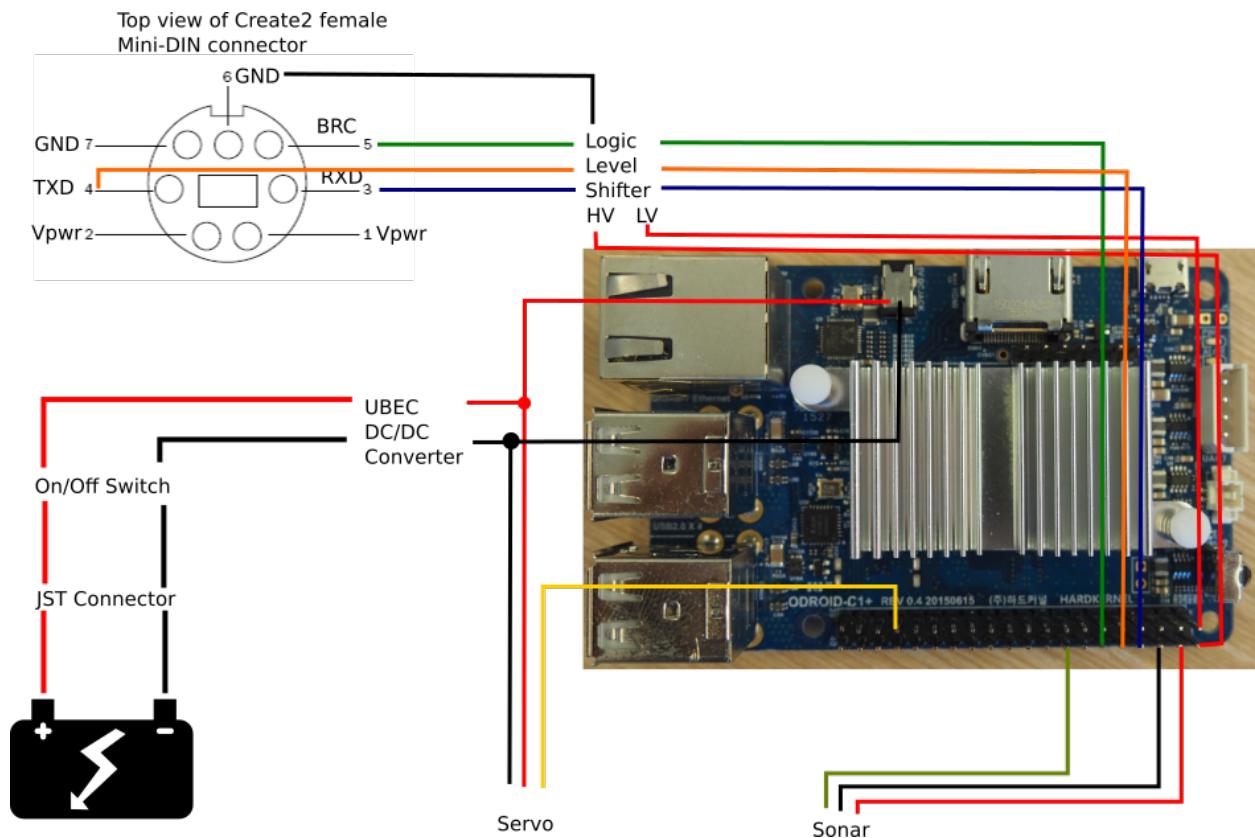
### **Components**

(prices in USD and links as of spring 2016)

Table 1.1: Part List

Name	Link	Distribu-tor	Price	Notes
iRobot Create2	<a href="https://www.adafruit.com/products/2388">https://www.adafruit.com/products/2388</a>	Adafruit	199.99	
Mini-DIN Connector Cable for iRobot Create 2 - 7 Pins - 6 feet	<a href="https://www.adafruit.com/products/2438">https://www.adafruit.com/products/2438</a>	Adafruit	6.95	
4-channel I2C-safe Bi-directional Logic Level Converter - BSS138	<a href="https://www.adafruit.com/products/757">https://www.adafruit.com/products/757</a>	Adafruit	3.95	
UBEC DC/DC Step-Down (Buck) Converter - 5V @ 3A output	<a href="https://www.adafruit.com/products/1385">https://www.adafruit.com/products/1385</a>	Adafruit	9.95	
Rugged Metal On/Off Switch with Green LED Ring - 16mm Green On/Off	<a href="https://www.adafruit.com/products/482">https://www.adafruit.com/products/482</a>	Adafruit	4.95	
Silicone Cover Stranded-Core Wire - 25ft 26AWG - Red	<a href="https://www.adafruit.com/products/2513">https://www.adafruit.com/products/2513</a>	Adafruit	4.95	For several Robots
Silicone Cover Stranded-Core Wire - 25ft 26AWG - Black	<a href="https://www.adafruit.com/products/2517">https://www.adafruit.com/products/2517</a>	Adafruit	4.95	For several Robots
Premium Female/Female Jumper Wires - 40 x 6"	<a href="https://www.adafruit.com/products/266">https://www.adafruit.com/products/266</a>	Adafruit	3.95	For several Robots
Multi-Colored Heat Shrink Pack - 3/32" + 1/8" + 3/16" Diameters	<a href="https://www.adafruit.com/products/1649">https://www.adafruit.com/products/1649</a>	Adafruit	4.95	For several Robots
Panel Mount USB Cable - A Male to A Female	<a href="https://www.adafruit.com/products/908">https://www.adafruit.com/products/908</a>	Adafruit	3.95	
Odroid C1+	<a href="http://ameridroid.com/products/odroid-c1">http://ameridroid.com/products/odroid-c1</a>	AmeriDro	38.95	
WiFi Module 3	<a href="http://ameridroid.com/products/wifi-module-3">http://ameridroid.com/products/wifi-module-3</a>	AmeriDro	61.05	
DC Plug and Cable Assembly 2.5mm L-Type	<a href="http://ameridroid.com/products/dc-plug-and-cable-assembly-2-5mm-l-type">http://ameridroid.com/products/dc-plug-and-cable-assembly-2-5mm-l-type</a>	AmeriDro	45	
Aluminum Standoff: 1/2" Length, 4-40 Thread, F-F (4-Pack)	<a href="https://www.pololu.com/product/2091">https://www.pololu.com/product/2091</a>	Pololu	1.39	For 2 robots each
Machine Screw: #4-40, 1/4" Length, Phillips (25-pack)	<a href="https://www.pololu.com/product/1960">https://www.pololu.com/product/1960</a>	Pololu	0.99	For up to 12 robots each
Machine Screw: #4-40, 5/16" Length, Phillips (25-pack)	<a href="https://www.pololu.com/product/1961">https://www.pololu.com/product/1961</a>	Pololu	0.99	For up to 12 robots each
JST RCY Connector Pack, Female	<a href="https://www.pololu.com/product/1934">https://www.pololu.com/product/1934</a>	Pololu	1.75	For up to 3 robots each
JST RCY Connector Pack, Male	<a href="https://www.pololu.com/product/1935">https://www.pololu.com/product/1935</a>	Pololu	1.75	For up to 3 robots each
Parallax Standard Servo	<a href="https://www.parallax.com/product/900-00005">https://www.parallax.com/product/900-00005</a>	Paral-lax	12.99	Optional
PING))) Ultrasonic Distance Sensor	<a href="https://www.parallax.com/product/28015">https://www.parallax.com/product/28015</a>	Paral-lax	29.99	Optional

## Wiring



## Software

### Basic

- Download [http://odroid.in/ubuntu\\_16.04lts/ubuntu-16.04-mate-odroid-c1-20160727.img.xz](http://odroid.in/ubuntu_16.04lts/ubuntu-16.04-mate-odroid-c1-20160727.img.xz)
- Extract:

```
unxz ubuntu-16.04-mate-odroid-c1-20160727.img.xz
```

- Verify MD5:

```
md5sum ubuntu-16.04-mate-odroid-c1-20160727.img
f5dfee4a8ea919dd8afc4384431574e5  ubuntu-16.04-mate-odroid-c1-20160727.img
```

- Copy to SD-Card:

```
sudo dd if=ubuntu-16.04-mate-odroid-c1-20160727.img of=</dev/path/of/card> bs=1M
  conv=fsync
sync
```

## Network

- Add `/etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf` with following content:

```
network={
    ssid=""
    psk=""
    id_str="wifi"
}
```

- Update */etc/network/interfaces*:

```
# interfaces(5) file used by ifup(8) and ifdown(8)
# Include files from /etc/network/interfaces.d:
source-directory /etc/network/interfaces.d

auto lo
iface lo inet loopback

auto wlan0
# allow-hotplug wlan0
iface wlan0 inet manual
wpa-roam /etc/wpa_supplicant/wpa_supplicant.conf
iface wifi inet dhcp
iface default inet dhcp
```

- Disable persistent network (so that SD-card can be used with any WiFi dongle):

```
sudo ln -s /dev/null /etc/udev/rules.d/80-net-setup-link.rules
```

## PWM

- Update */etc/modules*:

```
# /etc/modules: kernel modules to load at boot time.
#
# This file contains the names of kernel modules that should be loaded
# at boot time, one per line. Lines beginning with "#" are ignored.
# Parameters can be specified after the module name.

# ODROID HW PWM support (see http://odroid.com/dokuwiki/doku.php?id=en:c1_
#hardware_pwm)
pwm-meson
pwm-ctrl
```

## GPIO Support

- Add udev-rule: */etc/udev/rules.d/90-gpio.rules*:

```
SUBSYSTEM=="gpio", KERNEL=="gpiochip*", ACTION=="add", PROGRAM="/bin/sh -c 'chown
˓→root:gpio /sys/class/gpio/export /sys/class/gpio/unexport ; chmod 222 /sys/
˓→class/gpio/export /sys/class/gpio/unexport'"
SUBSYSTEM=="gpio", KERNEL=="gpio*", ACTION=="add", PROGRAM="/bin/sh -c 'chown
˓→root:gpio /sys%p/active_low /sys%p/direction /sys%p/edge /sys%p/value ; chmod
˓→660 /sys%p/active_low /sys%p/direction /sys%p/edge /sys%p/value'"
```

- Create GPIO group:

```
sudo groupadd gpio
```

- Add user to group:

```
sudo adduser odroid gpio
```

- Reboot

## Additional Software

- Update the system:

```
sudo apt update  
sudo apt upgrade
```

- Install additional packages:

```
sudo apt install python3 python3-serial python3-scipy python3-numpy python3-  
matplotlib
```

## Add User

- Add user and assign groups:

```
sudo adduser csci445  
sudo adduser csci445 gpio  
sudo adduser csci445 dialout
```

## Debugging

You can use the USB UART Kit for debugging, see [http://odroid.com/dokuwiki/doku.php?id=en:usb\\_uart\\_kit](http://odroid.com/dokuwiki/doku.php?id=en:usb_uart_kit) for more details. This will allow you to gain access to a shell using UART.

- On your host PC, add `/etc/udev/rules.d/99-odroiduart.rules` with the following content:

```
SUBSYSTEM=="usb", ATTRS{idVendor}=="10c4", ATTRS{idProduct}=="ea60", MODE="0664",  
GROUP="plugdev"
```

Make sure that your user is member of the `plugdev` group.

- To connect, use:

```
picocom --baud 115200 /dev/ttyUSB0
```

You can end the session by pressing Ctrl+A followed by Ctrl+X.

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