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Pycom – multinetwork devices

Part One: MQTT via WiFi

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IoT devices on offer

- Development modules:
 - WiPy 3.0: WiFi & Bluetooth
 - LoPy: LoRa, WiFi & Bluetooth
 - SiPy: Sigfox, WiFi & Bluetooth
 - PoPy4: LoRa, Sigfox, WiFi & Bluetooth
 - Gpy: LTE-M, WiFi & Bluetooth
 - FiPy: LoRa, Sigfox, LTE-M, WiFi & Bluetooth
- Integrated circuits (OEM):
 - WO1: WiFi & Bluetooth
 - G01: LTE-M, WiFi & Bluetooth
 - LO1: LoRa, WiFi & Bluetooth
 - LO4: LoRa, Sigfox, WiFi & Bluetooth

FiPy

- Features:

- ESP32 dual core microcontroller
- USB host port
- 8 MB flash memory
- 4 MB RAM memory
- 3v3 regulator



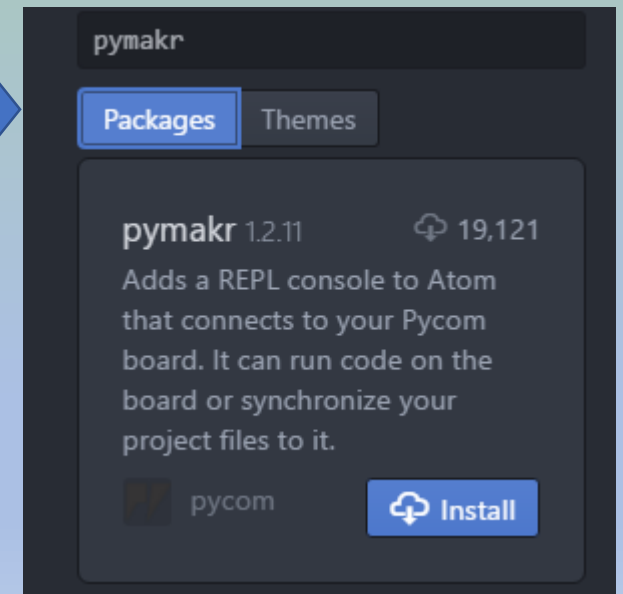
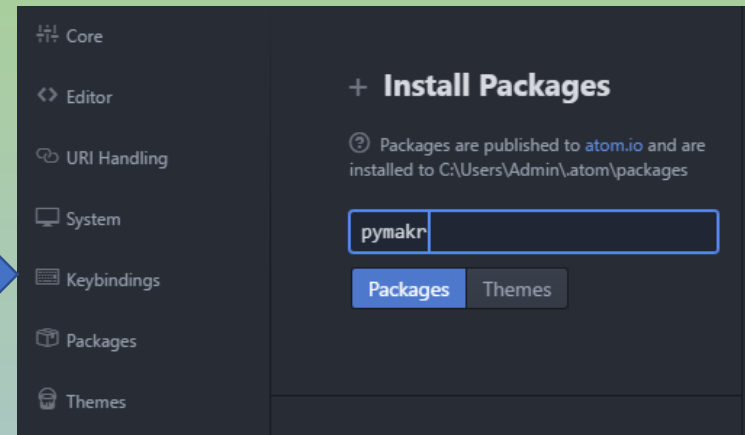
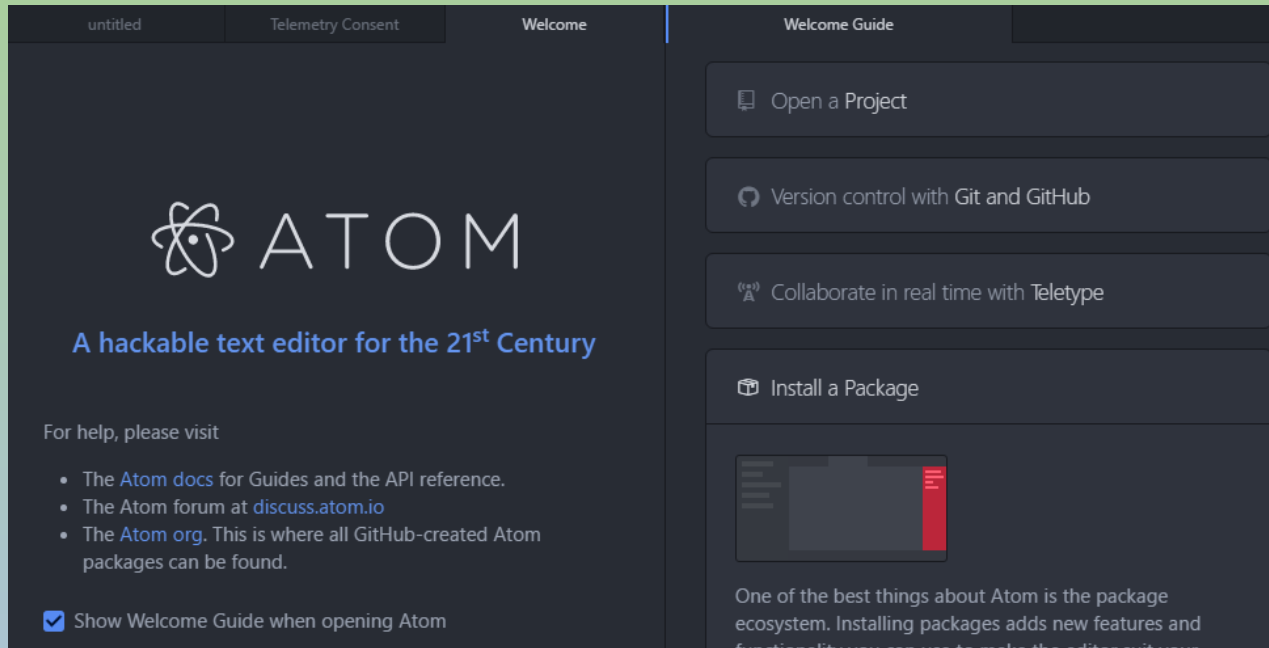
- Hardware requirements:

- FiPy module
- Host PC
- USB o MicroUSB cable
- Expansion board (recommended)

- Software requirements:

- Text editor: ATOM recommended by manufacturer. It will perform as an IDE.
- Pymakr Plugin for the editor to enable programing the device.

Pymkr Installation

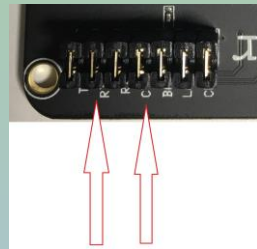


For further information refer to: <https://docs.pycom.io/chapter/gettingstarted/installation/pymkr.html>

Start – up process



- Connect FiPy to expansion board and then to the host computer via USB cable.
- Remove RTS and CTS jumpers from the expansion board.
- Update the firmware using the pycom firmware update tool:
<https://docs.pycom.io/chapter/gettingstarted/installation/firmwaretool.html>
- Connect to your FiPy board:
<https://docs.pycom.io/chapter/pymakr/installation/atom.html>



- Try:

```
import pycom
pycom.heartbeat(False)
pycom.rgbled(0x00ff00)
```

 this should turn the LED green

- FiPy has a built-in wifi radio module.
- It can be configured for several operation modes:
 - AP (After power-up): this is the default mode. FiPy becomes an Access point to where other devices are connected. It can be found as “fipy-wlan-xxxx”. Its password is always www.pycom.io.
 - STA (station): the device is expected to connect to an external router. Three authentication modes are supported:
 - WPA personal: this mode enables FiPy to connect to your home network.
 - WPA Enterprise (EAP – TLS): this enables FiPy to connect to enterprise networks using certificates.
 - WPA Enterprise (EAP – TTLS or PEAP): to connect to Enterprise networks using user/password authentication.

Wifi examples

AP mode

```
CODE:  
from network import WLAN  
wlan = WLAN() # Default mode is AP  
print("Network name: ",wlan.ssid())  
print("IP address: ",wlan.ifconfig())  
print("Authentication: ", wlan.auth())
```

```
OUTPUT:  
Network name: fipy-wlan-0090  
IP address: ('0.0.0.0', '0.0.0.0', '0.0.0.0', '0.0.0.0')  
Authentication: (3, 'www.pycom.io')
```

WPA personal

```
CODE:  
from network import WLAN  
wlan = WLAN(mode=WLAN.STA)  
print('Trying')  
nets = wlan.scan()  
for net in nets:  
    if net.ssid == 'my-wifi':  
        print('Network found!')  
        wlan.connect(net.ssid, auth=(net.sec, 'wifi-key'), timeout=5000)  
        print('connection established')  
        break
```

```
OUTPUT:  
Trying  
Network found!  
connection established
```

Wifi examples (II)

WPA Enterprise code

GENERAL CASE:

```
from network import WLAN
wlan = WLAN(mode=WLAN.STA)
wlan.connect(ssid="mywifi", auth=(WLAN.WPA2_ENT,
'user', 'password'), identity='myid',
ca_certs='/flash/cert/ca.pem')
```

OUR CASE:

```
import pycom
import machine
Pycom.heartbeat(False)
from network import WLAN
wlan = WLAN(mode=WLAN.STA)
wlan.connect(ssid="wifiubu", auth=(WLAN.WPA2_ENT,
'user', 'password')
while not wlan.isconnected():
    machine.idle()
pycom.rgbled(0x00ff00) # turn on the LED when connected
```

Output

MQTT

<https://core-electronics.com.au/tutorials/internet-of-things-with-pycom-and-adafruit-io.html>

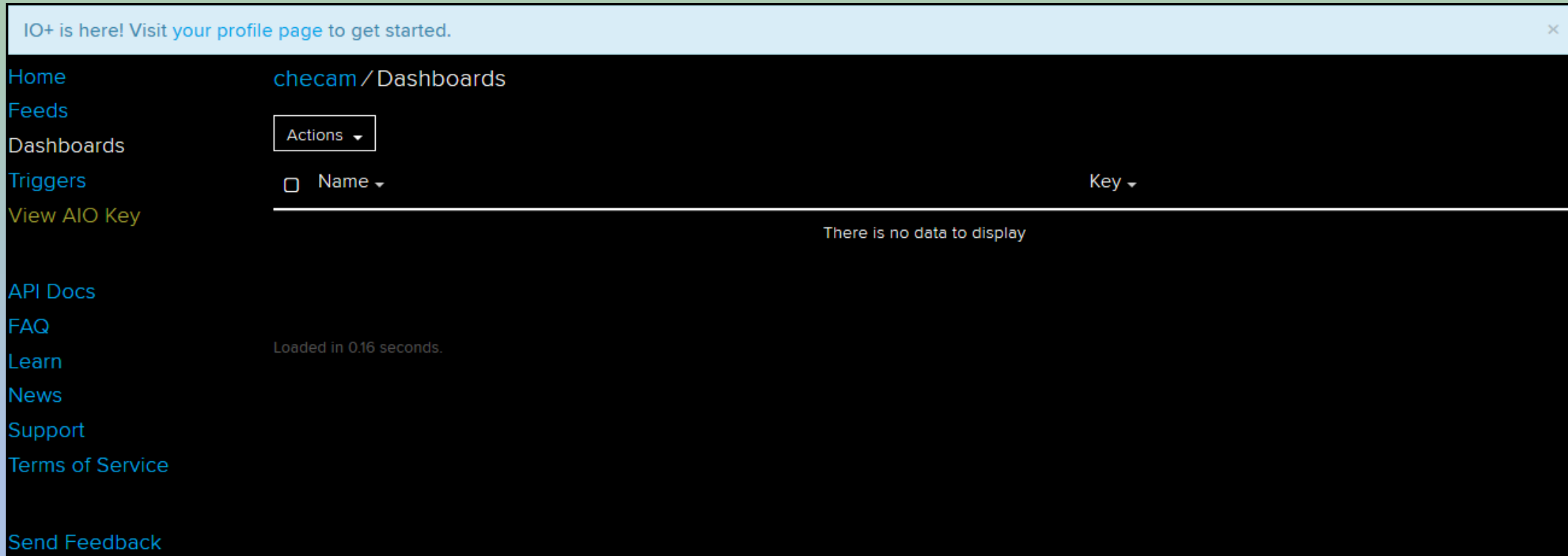
- Application layer propocol
- Publisher/subscriber model
- Built on top of the protocol stack, provides a messaging mechanism to provide and obtain information in short pieces
- For testing, Pycom recommends the free Adrafruit services:
<https://io.adafruit.com/>
- Sign in and you will gain access to you personal account (next slide)
- You will need to download the mqtt library mqtt.py at:
<https://github.com/pycom/pycom-libraries/tree/master/lib/mqtt>
- <https://docs.pycom.io/chapter/tutorials/all/mqtt.html>

Adafruit account

Here you can manage (create, get, change) your feeds (input values, commands,..)



Here you can get your personal API key to include in your programming



The screenshot shows the Adafruit IO+ dashboard for a user named 'checam'. At the top, there is a light blue notification bar that says "IO+ is here! Visit your profile page to get started." with a close button (X) on the right. Below this is a dark sidebar menu with the following items: Home, Feeds, Dashboards, Triggers, View AIO Key (highlighted in yellow), API Docs, FAQ, Learn, News, Support, Terms of Service, and Send Feedback. The main content area is titled "checam / Dashboards" and contains an "Actions" dropdown menu. Below the menu is a table header with columns for "Name" (with a checkbox) and "Key" (with a dropdown arrow). The table body is empty, displaying the message "There is no data to display". At the bottom of the main area, it says "Loaded in 0.16 seconds."

Adafruit account


In “Actions” we create two new feeds:

LED: meant to change the status of the onboard LED

Temp: meant to display temperature readings from the PySENSE built in thermometer

IO+ is here! Visit your [profile page](#) to get started. Hide

Home [checam / Feeds](#)

Feeds 

Dashboards

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Group / Feed	Key	Last value	Recorded
<input type="checkbox"/> Default	default		
<input type="checkbox"/> LED	 led	ON	25 minutes ago
<input type="checkbox"/> Temp	 temp	34.46769	25 minutes ago

Feeds are input/output:

When the Fipy publishes a new value, it is updated and displayed online

When the Fipy subscribes, values changed online are received and read by Fipy

Fipy can both publish and subscribe to the same feed



MQTT connection example

Code section

```
#mqtt section
print('Trying to connect Adafruit MQTT')
client = MQTTClient('FiPy', 'io.adafruit.com', port=1883, user='checam', password='xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx')
client.set_callback(sub_cb)
client.connect()
print('Connection successful')
client.subscribe(topic="checam/feeds/led")
client.subscribe(topic="checam/feeds/temp")
pycom.rgbled(0xff00ff)
```

Output

```
Trying to connect Adafruit MQTT
Connection successful
```

Mqtt library functionality

- `connect()`: sets up a socket to communicate with the server
- `disconnect()`: ends the socket
- `publish()`: sends information to a topic on the server
- `subscribe()`: subscribes to a topic on the server
- `set_callback()`: sets up the routine to which incoming subscribed messages are delivered
- `wait_msg()`: wait for subscribed messages to arrive. When arrived the message is processed and sent to a callback routine
- `chk_msg()`: checks whether a message is pending. If it is, proceeds as `wait_msg()`
- `ping()`: checks connection

Pysense example

Code section

```
#pysense section
mp = MPL3115A2(mode=ALTITUDE) # Returns height in meters. Mode may also be set to PRESSURE, returning a value in
Pascals
acc = LIS2HH12()
si = SI7006A20()
lt = LTR329ALS01()
while True:
    pitch = acc.pitch()
    roll = acc.roll()
    light = lt.light()
    print("Pitch & Roll: " + '{},{}'.format(pitch, roll))
    print("Light: " + '{}'.format(light))
    print("Altitude: " + str(mp.altitude()))
    print("Temperature: " + str(si.temperature())+ " deg C and Relative Humidity: " + str(si.humidity()) + " %RH")
    client.publish(topic="checam/feeds/temp", msg=str(si.temperature()))
    client.check_msg()
    time.sleep(5)
```

Pysense board provides several readings:

- Temperature
- Humidity
- Pressure
- Acceleration
- Roll
- Pitch
- Light level
- Altitude



Pysense example

Output

Pitch & Roll: -3.634626,110.4271

Light: (32, 27)

Altitude: 773.875

Temperature: 34.27464 deg C and Relative Humidity: 38.30771 %RH

Pysense library files

```
from LIS2HH12 import LIS2HH12
```

```
from SI7006A20 import SI7006A20
```

```
from LTR329ALS01 import LTR329ALS01
```

```
from MPL3115A2 import MPL3115A2,ALTITUDE,PRESSURE
```

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Input feed

We use the onboard LED to show how commands can be received from the server and therefore from the remote user.

On the Pysense code example we had the line:
`client.check_msg()`

This MQTT method checks whether there is an incoming message:

In case there is no one, it does nothing.

If a message has arrived, it is delivered to the routine defined in the MQTT connection code example:

```
client.set_callback(sub_cb)
```

The routine sets what to do with the message:

```
def sub_cb(topic, msg):  
    print(msg)  
    print(msg.decode("utf-8"))  
    if msg.decode("utf-8") == 'ON':  
        pycom.rgbled(0xffffffff)  
    if msg.decode("utf-8") == 'OFF':  
        pycom.rgbled(0x000000)
```

In this case it turns on and off the onboard LED depending on the text of the message

Micropython mqtt library issues

- Using the mqtt.py module we have encountered the following issue:
 - OSError -1 on method connect().
- For some reason, the getaddrinfo() function must be invoked within the socket.connect() method. To make that possible, we have added two new attributes at `_init_()`: `self.server` & `self.port`.
- We have replaced: `self.sock.connect(self.addr)` by `self.sock.connect(socket.getaddrinfo(self.server,self.port)[0][-1])`
- Connection is yet not always successful. A certain delay seems to be necessary in the form:

```
self.sock = socket.socket()
```

```
time.sleep(10)
```

```
self.sock.connect(socket.getaddrinfo(self.server,self.port)[0][-1])
```

References

- Although the contents of this presentation are original, most of the information, code and data included are based on the official Pycom website: <https://pycom.io/>
- A complete guide about the set-up, connection and programming of the development boards including FiPy can be found at: <https://docs.pycom.io/>