
AdafruitCrickit Library Documentation

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This convenience library makes coding for the Crickit robotics boards simpler and shorter.

CHAPTER 1

Dependencies

This driver depends on:

- [Adafruit seesaw library](#)
- [Adafruit Motor library](#)

Please ensure all dependencies are available on the CircuitPython filesystem. This is easily achieved by downloading the [Adafruit library and driver bundle](#).

CHAPTER 2

Usage Example

This examples shows how to control all the devices supported by the library. In most cases you just need a couple of imports.

```
# This is a mock example showing typical usage of the library for each kind of device.

from adafruit_crickit import crickit

# Add this import if using stepper motors.
# It will expose constants saying how to step: stepper.FORWARD, stepper.BACKWARD, etc.
from adafruit_motor import stepper

# Set servo 1 to 90 degrees
crickit.servo_1.angle = 90

# Change servo settings.
crickit.servo_1.actuation_range = 135
crickit.servo_1.set_pulse_width_range(min_pulse=850, max_pulse=2100)

# You can assign a device to a variable to get a shorter name.
servo_2 = crickit.servo_2
servo_2.throttle = 0

# Run a continous servo on Servo 2 backwards at half speed.
crickit.continuous_servo_2.throttle = -0.5

# Run the motor on Motor 1 terminals at half speed.
crickit.dc_motor_1.throttle = 0.5

# Set Drive 1 terminal to 3/4 strength.
crickit.drive_1.fraction = 0.75

if crickit.touch_1.value:
    print("Touched terminal Touch 1")
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```
# A single stepper motor uses up all the motor terminals.
crickit.stepper_motor.onestep(direction=stepper.FORWARD)

# You can also use the Drive terminals for a stepper motor
crickit.drive_stepper_motor.onestep(direction=stepper.BACKWARD)

# Note: On CPX Crickit, NeoPixel pin is normally connected to A1, not to seesaw,
# so this part of the demo cannot control the NeoPixel terminal.
# Strip or ring of 8 NeoPixels
crickit.init_neopixel(8)
crickit.neopixel.fill((100, 100, 100))
```

CHAPTER 3

Contributing

Contributions are welcome! Please read our [Code of Conduct](#) before contributing to help this project stay welcoming.

4.1 Zip release files

To build this library locally you'll need to install the `circuitpython-build-tools` package.

```
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip install circuitpython-build-tools
```

Once installed, make sure you are in the virtual environment:

```
source .env/bin/activate
```

Then run the build:

```
circuitpython-build-bundles --filename_prefix adafruit-circuitpython-crickit --
↳library_location .
```

4.2 Sphinx documentation

Sphinx is used to build the documentation based on rST files and comments in the code. First, install dependencies (feel free to reuse the virtual environment from above):

```
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip install Sphinx sphinx-rtd-theme
```

Now, once you have the virtual environment activated:

```
cd docs
sphinx-build -E -W -b html . _build/html
```

This will output the documentation to `docs/_build/html`. Open the `index.html` in your browser to view them. It will also (due to `-W`) error out on any warning like Travis will. This is a good way to locally verify it will pass.

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5.1 Examples

The `examples` directory contains simple examples for controlling a number of different devices, such as servos and DC motors.

5.2 `adafruit_crickit`

Convenience library for using the Adafruit Crickit robotics boards.

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5.2.1 Implementation Notes

Hardware:

Adafruit Crickit for Circuit Playground Express Adafruit Crickit FeatherWing

Software and Dependencies:

- Adafruit CircuitPython firmware for the supported boards: <https://github.com/adafruit/circuitpython/releases>

class `adafruit_crickit.Crickit` (*seesaw*)

Represents a Crickit board. Provides a number of devices available via properties, such as `servo_1`. Devices are created on demand the first time they are referenced.

It's fine to refer a device multiple times via its property, but it's faster and results in more compact code to assign a device to a variable.

```
import time
from adafruit_crickit import crickit
```

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```
# This is fine:
crickit.servo_1.angle = 0
time.sleep(1)
crickit.servo_1.angle = 90
time.sleep(1)

# This is slightly faster and more compact:
servo_1 = crickit.servo_1
servo_1.angle = 0
time.sleep(1)
servo_1.angle = 90
time.sleep(1)
```

SIGNAL1 = 2

Signal 1 terminal

SIGNAL2 = 3

Signal 2 terminal

SIGNAL3 = 40

Signal 3 terminal

SIGNAL4 = 41

Signal 4 terminal

SIGNAL5 = 11

Signal 5 terminal

SIGNAL6 = 10

Signal 6 terminal

SIGNAL7 = 9

Signal 7 terminal

SIGNAL8 = 8

Signal 8 terminal

continuous_servo_1

adafruit_motor.servo.ContinuousServo object on Servo 1 terminal

continuous_servo_2

adafruit_motor.servo.ContinuousServo object on Servo 2 terminal

continuous_servo_3

adafruit_motor.servo.ContinuousServo object on Servo 3 terminal

continuous_servo_4

adafruit_motor.servo.ContinuousServo object on Servo 4 terminal

dc_motor_1

adafruit_motor.motor.DCMotor object on Motor 1 terminals

dc_motor_2

adafruit_motor.motor.DCMotor object on Motor 2 terminals

drive_1

adafruit_seesaw.pwmout.PWMOut object on Drive 1 terminal, with frequency=1000

drive_2

adafruit_seesaw.pwmout.PWMOut object on Drive 2 terminal, with frequency=1000

drive_3

adafruit_seesaw.pwmout.PWMOut object on Drive 3 terminal, with frequency=1000

drive_4

adafruit_seesaw.pwmout.PWMOut object on Drive 4 terminal, with frequency=1000

drive_stepper_motor

adafruit_motor.motor.StepperMotor object on Drive terminals

feather_drive_1

adafruit_seesaw.pwmout.PWMOut object on Crickit Featherwing Drive 1 terminal, with frequency=1000

feather_drive_2

adafruit_seesaw.pwmout.PWMOut object on Crickit Featherwing Drive 2 terminal, with frequency=1000

feather_drive_3

adafruit_seesaw.pwmout.PWMOut object on Crickit Featherwing Drive 3 terminal, with frequency=1000

feather_drive_4

adafruit_seesaw.pwmout.PWMOut object on Crickit Featherwing Drive 4 terminal, with frequency=1000

feather_drive_stepper_motor

adafruit_motor.motor.StepperMotor object on Drive terminals on Crickit FeatherWing

init_neopixel (*n*, *, *bpp*=3, *brightness*=1.0, *auto_write*=True, *pixel_order*=None)

Set up a seesaw.NeoPixel object

Note: On the CPX Crickit board, the NeoPixel terminal is by default controlled by CPX pin A1, and is not controlled by seesaw. So this object will not be usable. Instead, use the regular NeoPixel library and specify board.A1 as the pin.

You can change the jumper connection on the bottom of the CPX Crickit board to move control of the NeoPixel terminal to seesaw pin #20 (terminal.NEOPIXEL). In addition, the Crickit FeatherWing always uses seesaw pin #20. In either of those cases, this object will work.

```
from adafruit_crickit.crickit import crickit

crickit.init_neopixel(24)
crickit.neopixel.fill((100, 0, 0))
```

neopixel

adafruit_seesaw.neopixel object on NeoPixel terminal. Raises ValueError if init_neopixel has not been called.

reset ()

Reset the whole Crickit board.

seesaw

The Seesaw object that talks to the Crickit. Use this object to manipulate the signal pins that correspond to Crickit terminals.

```
from adafruit_crickit import crickit

ss = crickit.seesaw
```

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```
ss.pin_mode(crickit.SIGNAL4, ss.OUTPUT)
ss.digital_write(crickit.SIGNAL4, True)
```

servo_1

adafruit_motor.servo.Servo object on Servo 1 terminal

servo_2

adafruit_motor.servo.Servo object on Servo 2 terminal

servo_3

adafruit_motor.servo.Servo object on Servo 3 terminal

servo_4

adafruit_motor.servo.Servo object on Servo 4 terminal

stepper_motor

adafruit_motor.motor.StepperMotor object on Motor 1 and Motor 2 terminals

touch_1

adafruit_crickit.CrickitTouchIn object on Touch 1 terminal

touch_2

adafruit_crickit.CrickitTouchIn object on Touch 2 terminal

touch_3

adafruit_crickit.CrickitTouchIn object on Touch 3 terminal

touch_4

adafruit_crickit.CrickitTouchIn object on Touch 4 terminal

class adafruit_crickit.**CrickitTouchIn** (*seesaw, pin*)

Imitate touchio.TouchIn.

raw_value

The raw touch measurement as an `int`. (read-only)

value

Whether the touch pad is being touched or not. (read-only)

adafruit_crickit.**crickit** = **None**

A singleton instance to control a single Crickit board, controlled by the default I2C pins.

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