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Python module for the qwiic twist, which is part of the [SparkFun Qwiic Twist](#)

This python package is a port of the existing [SparkFun Qwiic Twist Arduino Library](#)

This package can be used in conjunction with the overall [SparkFun qwiic Python Package](#)

New to qwiic? Take a look at the entire [SparkFun qwiic ecosystem](#).

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CHAPTER 2

Dependencies

This driver package depends on the qwiic I2C driver: [Qwiic_I2C_Py](#)

CHAPTER 3

Documentation

The SparkFun qwiic Twist module documentation is hosted at [ReadTheDocs](#)

4.1 PyPi Installation

This repository is hosted on PyPi as the `sparkfun-qwiic-twist` package. On systems that support PyPi installation via `pip`, this library is installed using the following commands

For all users (note: the user must have `sudo` privileges):

```
sudo pip install sparkfun-qwiic-twist
```

For the current user:

```
pip install sparkfun-qwiic-twist
```

4.2 Local Installation

To install, make sure the `setuptools` package is installed on the system.

Direct installation at the command line:

```
python setup.py install
```

To build a package for use with `pip`:

```
python setup.py sdist
```

A package file is built and placed in a subdirectory called `dist`. This package file can be installed using `pip`.

```
cd dist  
pip install sparkfun_qwiic_twist-<version>.tar.gz
```


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Example Use

See the examples directory for more detailed use examples.

```
import qwiic_twist
import time
import sys

def runExample():

    print("\nSparkFun Qwiic Twist   Example 1\n")
    myTwist = qwiic_twist.QwiicTwist()

    if myTwist.connected == False:
        print("The Qwiic twist device isn't connected to the system. Please check_
↪your connection", \
              file=sys.stderr)
        return

    myTwist.begin()

    # Set the knob color to pink
    myTwist.set_color(100, 10, 50)

    while True:

        print("Count: %d, Pressed: %s" % (myTwist.count, \
            "YES" if myTwist.pressed else "NO", \
            ))

        time.sleep(.3)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    try:
        runExample()
    except (KeyboardInterrupt, SystemExit) as exErr:
```

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```
print("\nEnding Example 1")  
sys.exit(0)
```


6.1 API Reference

6.1.1 qwiic_twist

Python module for the [SparkFun Qwiic Twist](<https://www.sparkfun.com/products/15083>)

This python package is a port of the existing [SparkFun Qwiic Twist Arduino Library](https://github.com/sparkfun/SparkFun_Qwiic_Twist_Arduino_Library)

This package can be used in conjunction with the overall [SparkFun qwiic Python Package](https://github.com/sparkfun/Qwiic_Py)

New to qwiic? Take a look at the entire [SparkFun qwiic ecosystem](<https://www.sparkfun.com/qwiic>).

class `qwiic_twist.QwiicTwist` (*address=None, i2c_driver=None*)

Parameters

- **address** – The I2C address to use for the device. If not provided, the default address is used.
- **i2c_driver** – An existing i2c driver object. If not provided a driver object is created.

Returns The QwiicTwist device object.

Return type Object

begin ()

Initialize the operation of the Twist module

Returns Returns true if the initialization was successful, otherwise False.

Return type bool

blue

Gets the blue color of the encoder LEDs

Returns blue component of the color

Return type integer

clear_interrupts ()

Clears the moved, clicked, and pressed bits

Returns No return Value

clicked

Returns true if a click event has occurred

Returns Click event state

Return type Boolean

connect_blue

Gets the connect blue color of the encoder LEDs

Returns Blue component of the color

connect_color (*red, green, blue*)

Sets the relation between each color and the twisting of the knob Connect the LED so it changes [amount] with each encoder tick Negative numbers are allowed (so LED gets brighter the more you turn the encoder down)

Parameters

- **red** – Red component
- **green** – Green component
- **blue** – Blue component

Returns No return value

connect_green

Gets the connect green color of the encoder LEDs

Returns green component of the color

connect_red

Gets the connect red color of the encoder LEDs

Returns Red component of the color

connected

Determine if a Tesit device is conntected to the system..

Returns True if the device is connected, otherwise False.

Return type bool

count

Returns the number of indents the user has twisted the knob

Returns number of indents

Return type word as integer

get_blue ()

Gets the blue color of the encoder LEDs

Returns blue component of the color

Return type integer

get_connect_blue ()

Gets the connect blue color of the encoder LEDs

Returns Blue component of the color

get_connect_green()

Gets the connect green color of the encoder LEDs

Returns green component of the color

get_connect_red()

Gets the connect red color of the encoder LEDs

Returns Red component of the color

get_count()

Returns the number of indents the user has twisted the knob

Returns number of indents

Return type word as integer

get_diff(clear_value=False)

Returns the number of ticks since last check

Parameters **clearValue** – Set to True to clear the current value. Default is False

Returns the difference

Return type integer

get_green()

Gets the green color of the encoder LEDs

Returns green component of the color

Return type integer

get_int_timeout()

Get number of milliseconds that elapse between end of knob turning and interrupt firing

Returns the timeout value

Return type integer

get_limit()

Returns the limit of allowed counts before wrapping. 0 is disabled

Returns The limit

Return type integer

get_red()

Gets the red color of the encoder LEDs

Returns Red component of the color

get_version()

Returns a integer of the firmware version number

Returns The firmware version

Return type integer

green

Gets the green color of the encoder LEDs

Returns green component of the color

Return type integer

has_moved()

Returns true if knob has been twisted

Returns Moved state

Return type Boolean

int_timeout

Get number of milliseconds that elapse between end of knob turning and interrupt firing

Returns the timeout value

Return type integer

is_connected()

Determine if a Tesit device is conntected to the system..

Returns True if the device is connected, otherwise False.

Return type bool

is_pressed()

Returns true if button is currently being pressed

Returns Button pressed state

Return type Boolean

limit

Returns the limit of allowed counts before wrapping. 0 is disabled

Returns The limit

Return type integer

moved

Returns true if knob has been twisted

Returns Moved state

Return type Boolean

pressed

Returns true if button is currently being pressed

Returns Button pressed state

Return type Boolean

red

Gets the red color of the encoder LEDs

Returns Red component of the color

set_blue(blue)

Sets the blue color of the encoder LEDs

Parameters **blue** – blue component

Returns No return value

set_color(red, green, blue)

Sets the color of the encoder LEDs

Parameters

- **red** – Red component

- **green** – Green component
- **blue** – Blue component

Returns No return value

set_connect_blue (*blue*)

Sets the connect blue color of the encoder LEDs

Parameters **blue** – blue component

Returns No return value

set_connect_green (*green*)

Sets the connect green color of the encoder LEDs

Parameters **green** – Green component

Returns No return value

set_connect_red (*red*)

Sets the connect red color of the encoder LEDs

Parameters **red** – Red component

Returns No return value

set_count (*amount*)

Set the encoder count to a specific amount

Parameters **amount** – the value to set the counter to

Returns no return value

set_green (*green*)

Sets the green color of the encoder LEDs

Parameters **green** – Green component

Returns No return value

Return type integer

set_int_timeout (*timeout*)

Set number of milliseconds that elapse between end of knob turning and interrupt firing

Parameters **timeout** – the timeout value in milliseconds

Returns No return value

set_limit (*amount*)

Set the encoder count limit to a specific amount

Parameters **amount** – the value to set the limit to

Returns no return value

set_red (*red*)

Sets the red color of the encoder LEDs

Parameters **red** – Red component

Returns No return value

since_last_movement (*clear_value=True*)

Returns the number of milliseconds since the last encoder movement By default, clear the current value

Parameters **clearValue** – Clear out the value? True by default

Returns time since last encoder movement

Return type integer

since_last_press (*clear_value=True*)

Returns the number of milliseconds since the last button event (press and release) By default, clear the current value

Parameters **clearValue** – Clear out the value? False by default

Returns time since last button press

Return type integer

version

Returns a integer of the firmware version number

Returns The firmware version

Return type integer

was_clicked ()

Returns true if a click event has occurred

Returns Click event state

Return type Boolean

6.2 Read a Position and Button State

Listing 1: examples/qwiic_twist_ex1.py

```
1  #!/usr/bin/env python
2  #-----
3  # qwiic_twist_ex1.py
4  #
5  # Simple Example for the Qwiic Twist Device
6  #-----
7  #
8  # Written by SparkFun Electronics, May 2019
9  #
10 # This python library supports the SparkFun Electronics qwiic
11 # qwiic sensor/board ecosystem on a Raspberry Pi (and compatible) single
12 # board computers.
13 #
14 # More information on qwiic is at https://www.sparkfun.com/qwiic
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38 #=====
39 # Example 1
40 #
41
42 from __future__ import print_function
43 import qwiic_twist
44 import time
45 import sys
46
47 def runExample():
48
49     print("\nSparkFun qwiic Twist   Example 1\n")
50     myTwist = qwiic_twist.QwiicTwist()
51
52     if myTwist.connected == False:
53         print("The Qwiic twist device isn't connected to the system. Please_
54 ↪check your connection", \
55             file=sys.stderr)
56         return
57
58     myTwist.begin()
59
60     # Set the knob color to pink
61     myTwist.set_color(100, 10, 50)
62
63     while True:
64
65         print("Count: %d, Pressed: %s" % (myTwist.count, \
66             "YES" if myTwist.pressed else "NO", \
67             ))
68
69         time.sleep(.3)
70
71 if __name__ == '__main__':
72     try:
73         runExample()
74     except (KeyboardInterrupt, SystemExit) as exErr:
75         print("\nEnding Example 1")
76         sys.exit(0)
77

```

6.3 Random Colors

Listing 2: examples/qwiic_twist_ex2.py

```

1  #!/usr/bin/env python
2  #-----
3  # qwiic_twist_ex2.py
4  #
5  # Simple Example for the Qwiic Twist Device
6  #-----
7  #
8  # Written by SparkFun Electronics, May 2019
9  #
10 # This python library supports the SparkFun Electronics qwiic
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38 #=====
39 # Example 2
40 #
41
42 from __future__ import print_function
43 import qwiic_twist
44 import time
45 import random
46 import sys
47
48 def runExample():
49
50     print("\nSparkFun Qwiic Twist Example 2 - crazy colors\n")
51     myTwist = qwiic_twist.QwiicTwist()
52
53     if myTwist.connected == False:
54         print("The Qwiic twist device isn't connected to the system. Please
↳check your connection", \

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```

55         file=sys.stderr)
56     return
57
58     myTwist.begin()
59
60     while True:
61
62         print("Count: %d, Pressed: %s" % (myTwist.count, \
63             "YES" if myTwist.pressed else "NO", \
64             ))
65
66         myTwist.set_color( random.randint(0,256), random.randint(0,256),
67         ↪ random.randint(0,256))
68
69         time.sleep(.3)
70
71 if __name__ == '__main__':
72     try:
73         runExample()
74     except (KeyboardInterrupt, SystemExit) as exErr:
75         print("\nEnding Example 2 - Crazy Colors")
76         sys.exit(0)
77

```

6.4 Twist Connected Colors

Listing 3: examples/qwiic_twist_ex3.py

```

1  #!/usr/bin/env python
2  #-----
3  # qwiic_twist_ex3.py
4  #
5  # Simple Example for the Qwiic Twist Device
6  #-----
7  #
8  # Written by SparkFun Electronics, May 2019
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38 #=====
39 # Example 1
40 #
41
42 from __future__ import print_function
43 import qwiic_twist
44 import time
45 import sys
46
47 def runExample():
48
49     print("\nSparkFun Qwiic Twist   Example 3\n")
50     myTwist = qwiic_twist.QwiicTwist()
51
52     if myTwist.connected == False:
53         print("The Qwiic twist device isn't connected to the system. Please_
↳check your connection", \
54             file=sys.stderr)
55         return
56
57     myTwist.begin()
58
59     myTwist.set_color(255/2, 0, 255/2) #Set Red and Blue LED brightnesses to half_
↳of max.
60
61     myTwist.connect_red = -10 # Red LED will go down 10 in brightness with each_
↳encoder tick
62     myTwist.connect_blue = 10 #Blue LED will go up 10 in brightness with each_
↳encoder tick
63
64     while True:
65
66         print("Count: %d, Pressed: %s" % (myTwist.count, \
67             "YES" if myTwist.pressed else "NO", \
68             ))
69
70         time.sleep(.3)
71
72 if __name__ == '__main__':
73     try:
74         runExample()
75     except (KeyboardInterrupt, SystemExit) as exErr:
76         print("\nEnding Example 3")
77         sys.exit(0)
78

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