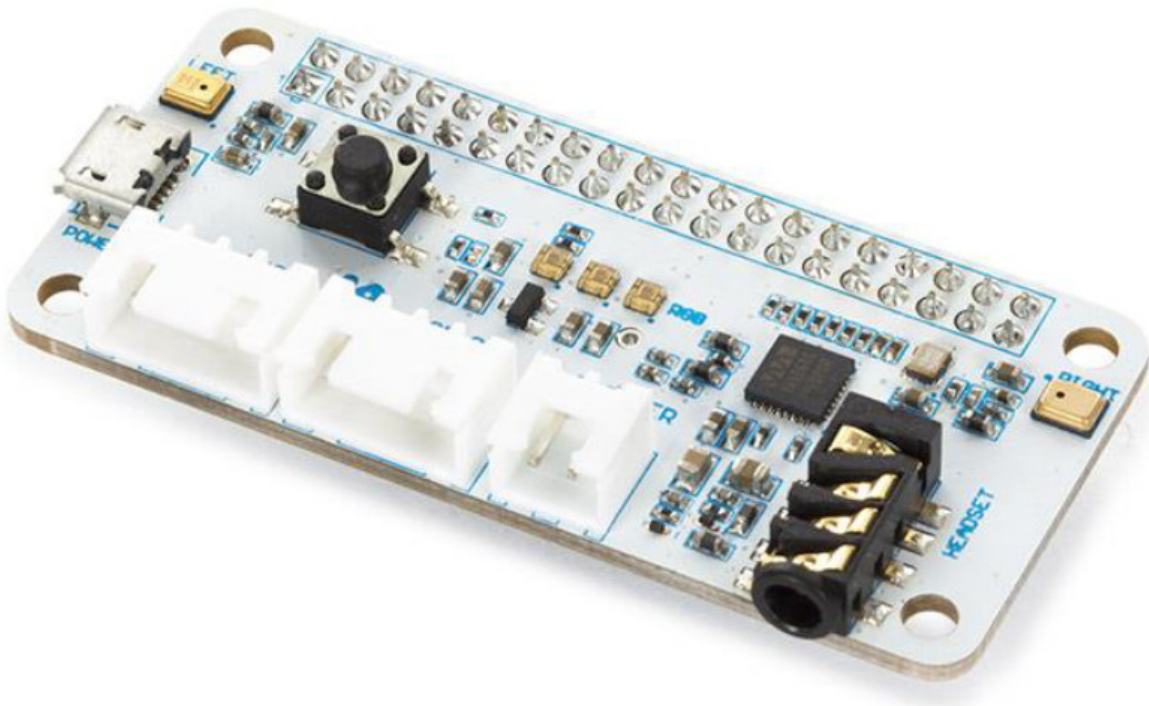


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Introduction



To all residents of the European Union

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This symbol on the device or the package indicates that disposal of the device after its lifecycle could harm the environment. Do not dispose of the unit (or batteries) as unsorted municipal waste; it should be taken to a specialized company for recycling. This device should be returned to your distributor or to a local recycling service. Respect the local environmental rules.

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- Only use the device for its intended purpose. Using the device in an unauthorised way will void the warranty.

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Overview

General

ReSpeaker 2-mics Pi HAT is a dual-microphone expansion board for Raspberry Pi designed for AI and voice applications. It allows you to build a powerful and flexible voice product that integrates services like Amazon Alexa Voice Service, Google Assistant, etc.

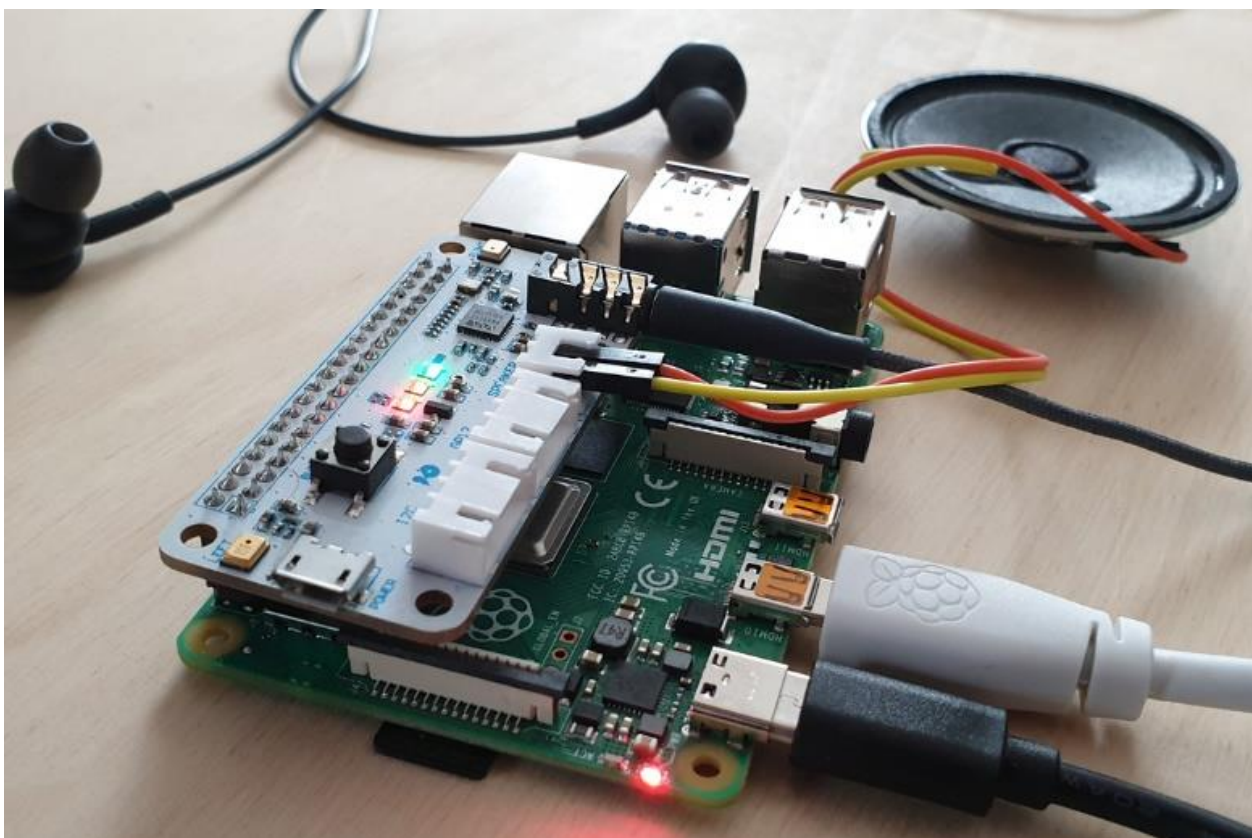
The board is developed based on WM8960, a low power stereo codec. There are 2 microphones on both sides of the board for collecting sounds and it also provides 3 APA102 RGB LEDs, 1 User Button, and 2 on-board interfaces for expanding your applications. There is also a 3.5mm Audio Jack and JST 2.0 Speaker pins for audio output.

Technical Specifications

dimensions 65 x 30 x 15 mm (2.6 x 1.18 x 0.6")

Operation

Overview



Follow this manual to connect the Raspberry Pi 4 2 GB RAM to Google Assistant. This service allows you to voice-control the appliance after saying `Ok Google` or `hey Google`.

Requirements:

- Raspberry Pi 4 with Raspbian
- monitor
- keyboard and mouse

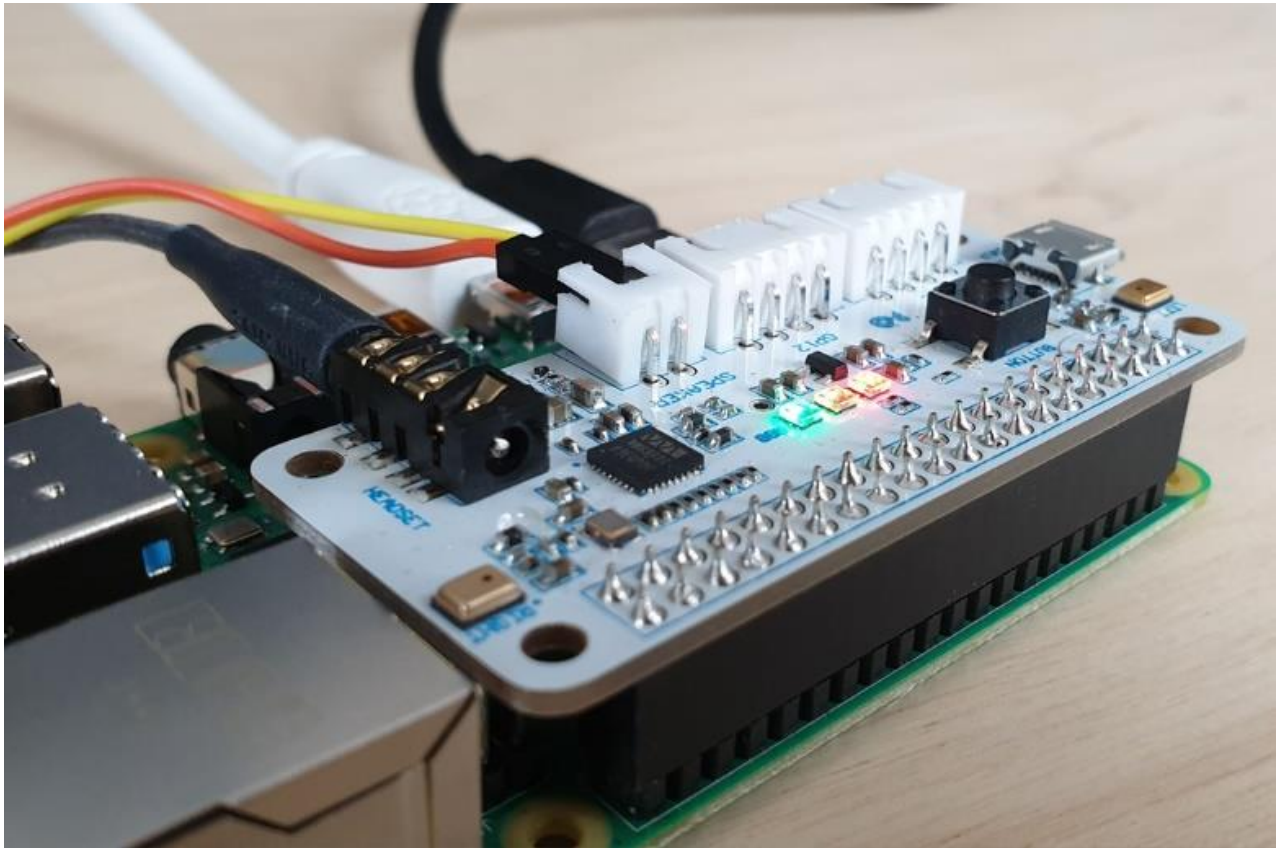
- mini HDMI® to monitor
- ReSpeaker 2-mics Pi HAT
- headphones or speakers

Raspberry Pi Configuration

If you are new to Raspberry Pi, just follow this tutorial to download and install the latest version of Raspbian:
<https://projects.raspberrypi.org/en/projects/raspberry-pi-setting-up>

Programming

1. Connect the ReSpeaker to your Raspberry Pi 4.



2. Download and install the drivers for the ReSpeaker by entering following commands into the Command Prompt:
 - o `sudo apt-get update`
 - o `sudo apt-get upgrade`

```
pi@raspberrypi: ~  
File Edit Tabs Help  
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ sudo apt-get update  
Hit:1 http://raspbian.raspberrypi.org/raspbian buster InRelease  
Hit:2 http://archive.raspberrypi.org/debian buster InRelease  
Reading package lists... Done  
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ sudo apt-get upgrade  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree  
Reading state information... Done  
Calculating upgrade... Done  
The following packages will be upgraded:  
  libgnutls30  
1 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.  
Need to get 1,047 kB of archives.  
After this operation, 0 B of additional disk space will be used.  
Do you want to continue? [Y/n] y  
Get:1 http://ftp.fi.muni.cz/pub/linux/raspbian/raspbian buster/main armhf libgnu  
tls30 armhf 3.6.7-4+deb10u3 [1,047 kB]  
Fetched 1,047 kB in 1s (1,561 kB/s)  
Reading changelogs... Done  
(Reading database ... 93527 files and directories currently installed.)  
Preparing to unpack .../libgnutls30_3.6.7-4+deb10u3_armhf.deb ...  
Unpacking libgnutls30:armhf (3.6.7-4+deb10u3) over (3.6.7-4+deb10u2) ...  
Setting up libgnutls30:armhf (3.6.7-4+deb10u3) ...  
Processing triggers for libc-bin (2.28-10+rpi1) ...
```

o git clone

o cd seeed-voicecard

o sudo *.install.sh

This may take a couple of minutes. When ready, reboot the Raspberry Pi.

```
File Edit Tabs Help  
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ git clone https://github.com/respeaker/seeed-voicecard.git  
Cloning into 'seeed-voicecard'...  
remote: Enumerating objects: 16, done.  
remote: Counting objects: 100% (16/16), done.  
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (10/10), done.  
remote: Total 710 (delta 8), reused 10 (delta 6), pack-reused 694  
Receiving objects: 100% (710/710), 1.31 MiB | 2.89 MiB/s, done.  
Resolving deltas: 100% (442/442), done.  
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ cd seeed-voicecard  
pi@raspberrypi:~/seeed-voicecard $ sudo ./install.sh  
Hit:1 http://raspbian.raspberrypi.org/raspbian buster InRelease  
Hit:2 http://archive.raspberrypi.org/debian buster InRelease  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree  
Reading state information... Done  
All packages are up to date.  
Reading package lists... Done  
Building dependency tree  
Reading state information... Done  
git is already the newest version (1:2.20.1-2+deb10u1).  
i2c-tools is already the newest version (4.1-1).  
i2c-tools set to manually installed.  
The following additional packages will be installed:  
  raspberrypi-kernel-headers  
Suggested packages:  
  python3-apport menu  
The following NEW packages will be installed:  
  dkms libasound2-plugins raspberrypi-kernel-headers  
0 upgraded, 3 newly installed, 0 to remove and 0 not upgraded.  
Need to get 25.1 MB of archives.  
After this operation, 164 MB of additional disk space will be used.  
Get:1 http://archive.raspberrypi.org/debian buster/main armhf raspberrypi-kernel-headers armhf 1.20200212-1 [24.9 MB]  
Get:2 http://raspbian.mirror.garr.it/mirrors/raspbian/raspbian buster/main armhf dkms all 2.6.1-4 [74.4 kB]  
Get:3 http://ftp.fi.muni.cz/pub/linux/raspbian/raspbian buster/main armhf libasound2-plugins armhf 1.1.8-1 [64.2 kB]  
Fetched 25.1 MB in 3s (7,920 kB/s)  
Selecting previously unselected package dkms.  
(Reading database ... 93527 files and directories currently installed.)  
Preparing to unpack .../archives/dkms_2.6.1-4_all.deb ...  
Unpacking dkms (2.6.1-4) ...  
Selecting previously unselected package libasound2-plugins:armhf.  
Preparing to unpack .../libasound2-plugins_1.1.8-1_armhf.deb ...  
Unpacking libasound2-plugins:armhf (1.1.8-1) ...  
Selecting previously unselected package raspberrypi-kernel-headers.
```

o sudo reboot

3. Now, let's check if the name of the ReSpeaker matches with the name of the source. Open the Command Prompt and enter following commands:

o cd speed-voicecard

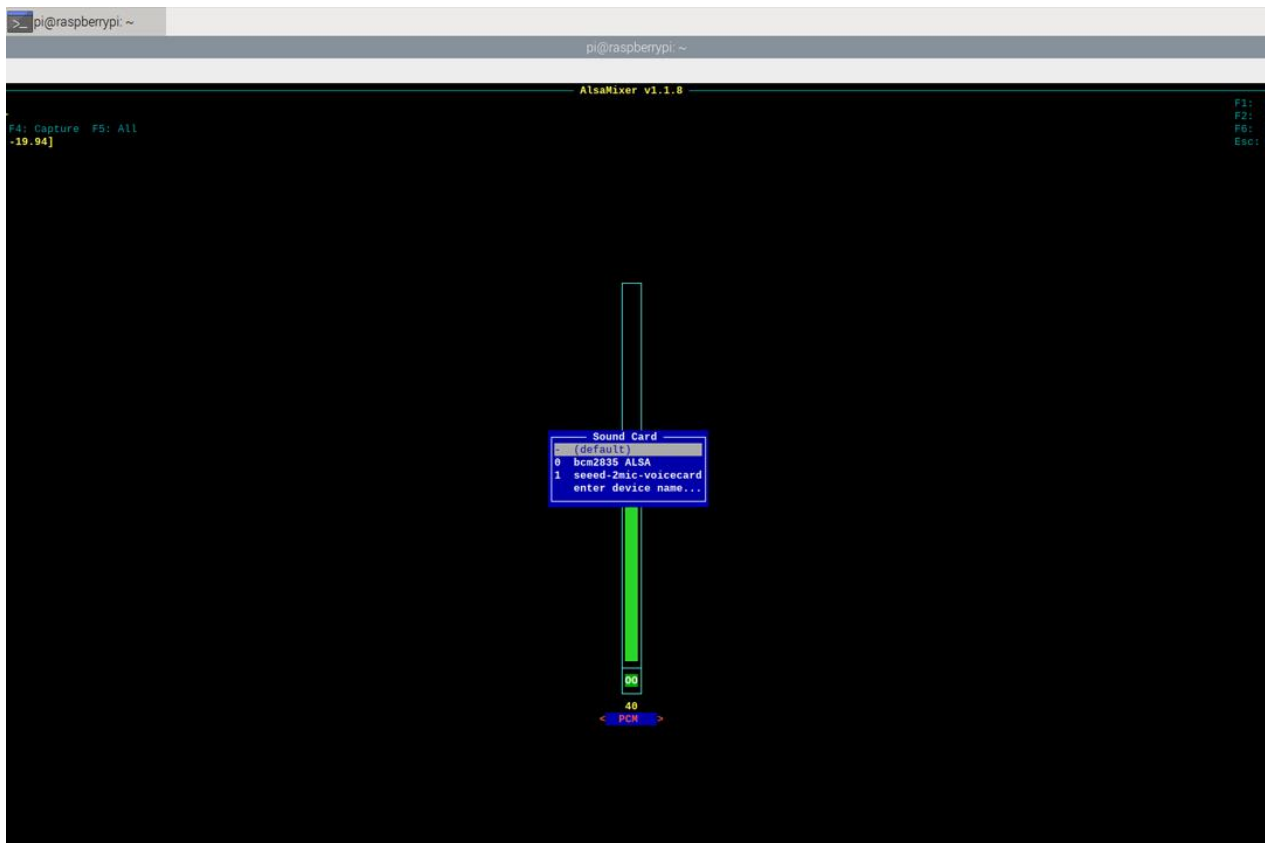
- o aplay
- o arecord

```
File Edit Tabs Help
pi@raspberrypi:~$ cd seeed-voicecard
pi@raspberrypi:~/seeed-voicecard$ aplay -l
**** List of PLAYBACK Hardware Devices ****
card 0: ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA], device 0: bcm2835 ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA]
  Subdevices: 7/7
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
    Subdevice #1: subdevice #1
    Subdevice #2: subdevice #2
    Subdevice #3: subdevice #3
    Subdevice #4: subdevice #4
    Subdevice #5: subdevice #5
    Subdevice #6: subdevice #6
card 0: ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA], device 1: bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI [bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI]
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
card 0: ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA], device 2: bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI1 [bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI1]
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
card 1: seeed2micvoicec [seeed-2mic-voicecard], device 0: bcm2835-i2s-wm8960-hifi wm8960-hifi-0 []
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
pi@raspberrypi:~/seeed-voicecard$ aplay -l
**** List of PLAYBACK Hardware Devices ****
card 0: ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA], device 0: bcm2835 ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA]
  Subdevices: 7/7
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
    Subdevice #1: subdevice #1
    Subdevice #2: subdevice #2
    Subdevice #3: subdevice #3
    Subdevice #4: subdevice #4
    Subdevice #5: subdevice #5
    Subdevice #6: subdevice #6
card 0: ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA], device 1: bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI [bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI]
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
card 0: ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA], device 2: bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI1 [bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI1]
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
card 1: seeed2micvoicec [seeed-2mic-voicecard], device 0: bcm2835-i2s-wm8960-hifi wm8960-hifi-0 []
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
pi@raspberrypi:~/seeed-voicecard$
```

4. Now, it's time to set the sound. Enter following command:

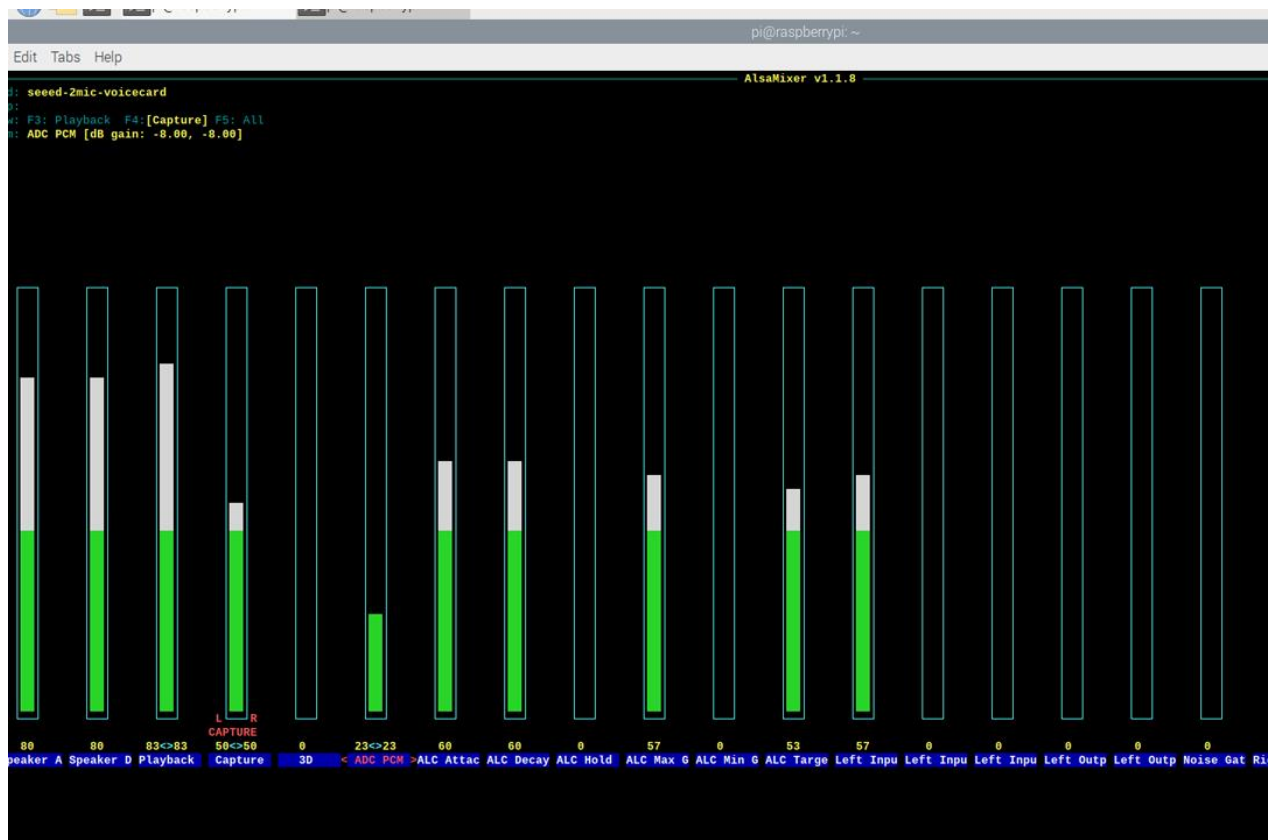
- o alsamixer

Press F6 and select the correct board (option 1).



Set following values:

- o Lower `ADC PCM` to ± 25 or you will hear a loud beep.
- o Set the recording's volume with `Capture`.



- Time to test. Connect a speaker or headphones, open a new Command Prompt and enter following command:

```
o arecord -f cd -Dhw:1 aplay -Dhw:1
```

Now, you should hear your own voice through the speaker/headphones.

Activating the On-Board RGB LEDs

Open the Command Prompt and enter following commands:

```
o sudo pip install spidey
```

```
o cd ~/
```

```
o git clone https://github.com/respeaker/mic\_hat.git
```

```
o cd mic_hat
```

```
o python pixels.py
```

You can change the colour of the LEDs through the Command Prompt.

Using the On-Board User Button

- The press button on the ReSpeaker 2-mics is connected to the GPIO17. Enter following commands:

```
o sudo pip install rpi.gpio
```

```
o nano userbutton.py
```

- Copy the code below into the Command Prompt:

```
import RPi.GPIO as GPIO
```

```
import time
```

```
GPIO.setmode(GPIO.BCM)
```

```
GPIO.setup(17, GPIO.IN, pull_up_down=GPIO.PUD_UP)
```

```
while True:
```

```
    input_state = GPIO.input(17)
```

```
    if input_state == False:
```

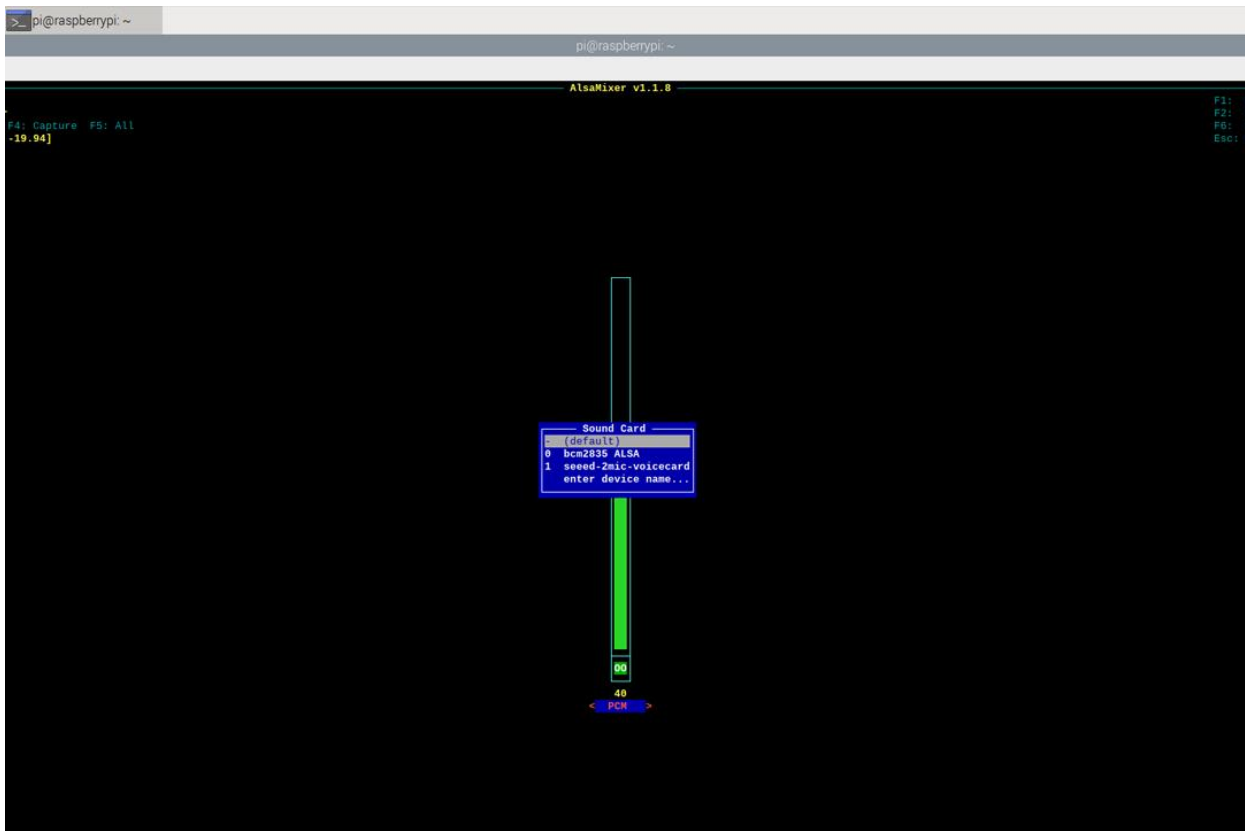
```
        print("Button Pressed") time.sleep(1)
```

```
else: print("Button Released")
```

```
time.sleep(1)
```

```
File Edit Tabs Help
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ cd seed-voicecard
pi@raspberrypi:~/seed-voicecard $ aplay -l
**** List of PLAYBACK Hardware Devices ****
card 0: ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA], device 0: bcm2835 ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA]
  Subdevices: 7/7
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
    Subdevice #1: subdevice #1
    Subdevice #2: subdevice #2
    Subdevice #3: subdevice #3
    Subdevice #4: subdevice #4
    Subdevice #5: subdevice #5
    Subdevice #6: subdevice #6
card 0: ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA], device 1: bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI [bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI]
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
card 0: ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA], device 2: bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI1 [bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI1]
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
card 1: seed2micvoicec [seed-2mic-voicecard], device 0: bcm2835-i2s-wm8960-hifi wm8960-hifi-0 []
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
pi@raspberrypi:~/seed-voicecard $ aplay -l
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  Subdevices: 7/7
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    Subdevice #1: subdevice #1
    Subdevice #2: subdevice #2
    Subdevice #3: subdevice #3
    Subdevice #4: subdevice #4
    Subdevice #5: subdevice #5
    Subdevice #6: subdevice #6
card 0: ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA], device 1: bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI [bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI]
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
card 0: ALSA [bcm2835 ALSA], device 2: bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI1 [bcm2835 IEC958/HDMI1]
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
card 1: seed2micvoicec [seed-2mic-voicecard], device 0: bcm2835-i2s-wm8960-hifi wm8960-hifi-0 []
  Subdevices: 1/1
    Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
pi@raspberrypi:~/seed-voicecard $
```

- 3. Save the code with CTRL+S.
- 4. Execute with python userbutton.py. Check the terminal to see if the button is pressed.



Google Assistant

Follow this manual to configure the Google Assistant on your Raspberry Pi (from Configure a Developer Project and Account Settings up to Run the Sample Code).

Once this works, you can go on with controlling LEDs, sensors, a speaker, etc., which you can connect to the ReSpeaker 2-mics Pi HAT.

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