

# PICO RUBY

Episode III

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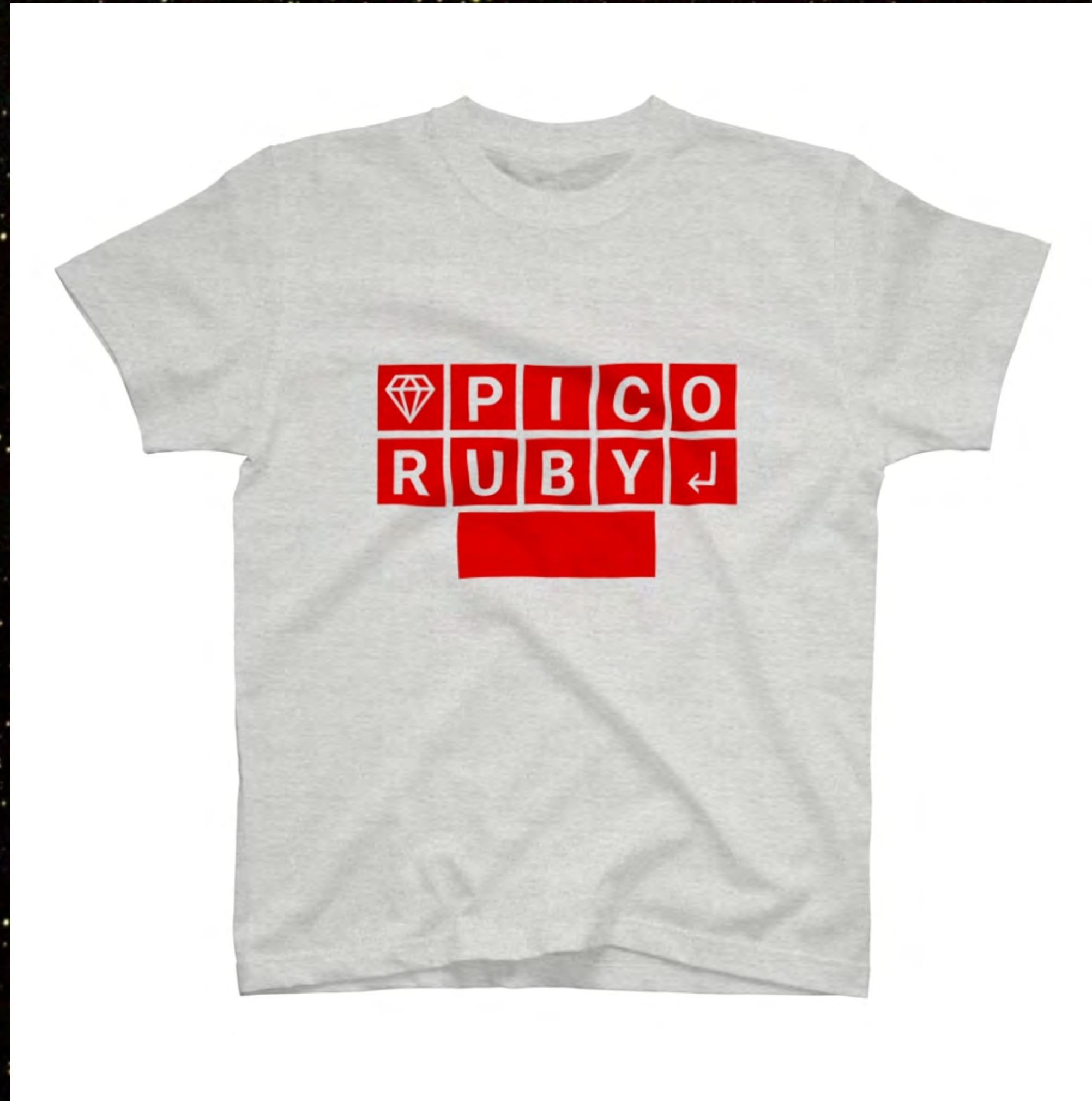


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**ATTACK OF THE RAKE**  
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# This slot has Q&A time

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**PicoRuby@SUZURI**







# PicoRuby: An alternative mruby

```
puts "Hello World"
```

🏠 mruby = mruby VM + mruby compiler

=> **136 KB**

🏠 MicroRuby = mruby VM + PicoRuby compiler

=> **88 KB**

🏠 PicoRuby = mruby/c VM + PicoRuby compiler

=> **11 KB**

All measurement on 64-bit Ubuntu



# PicoRuby: An alternative mruby

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[github.com/picoruby/picoruby](https://github.com/picoruby/picoruby)



# PRK Firmware: Keyboard firmware

e.g.) `picoruby/prk_crkbd`



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# PRK Firmware: Keyboard firmware

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[github.com/picoruby/prk\\_firmware](https://github.com/picoruby/prk_firmware)



# Raspberry Pi Pico

## 🏠 RP2040

- 🧑‍🎓 Arm Cortex-M0+ (dual)

- 🧑‍🎓 264 KB RAM

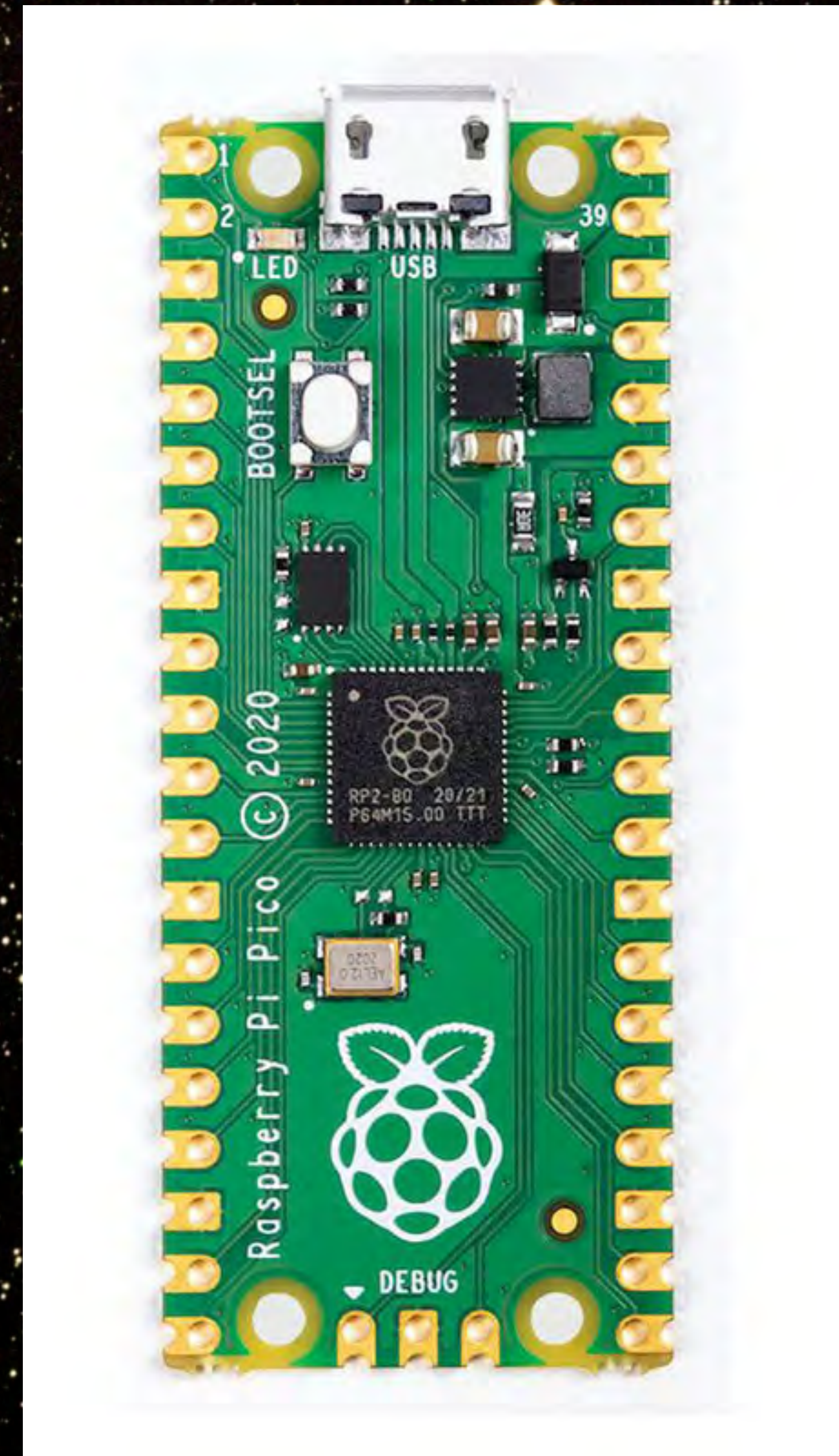
## 🏠 2 MB ROM

- 🧑‍🎓 (RP2040 supports upto 16 MB)

## 🏠 \$4~ ( ¥ 600~ )

## 🏠 "Pi Pico W" supports WiFi

- 🧑‍🎓 Got 技適 (new!)





DEMO



# Serial port terminal emulator

🏠 Traditional CUI/TUI tools have fallen to the dark side (apparently CR/LF issue)

👤 cu 🙄

👤 screen 😡

👤 minicom 🙄

🏠 Linux -> **GTKTerm** 😍

🏠 Windows -> Tera Term? (not sure)

🏠 macOS -> PuTTY? 🙄



# Summary: It's still a PoC, though...

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- 🏠 An integrated Micon programming environment
  - 🧑 Ruby compiler inside
  - 🧑 Shell ready
  - 🧑 Text editor equipped
  - 🧑 Your own commands available
- 🏠 Accelerates developing an IoT system with Ruby



IMPLEMENTATION



# Command: builtin and executable

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- 🏠 Builtin commands are implemented in shell

  - 👤 cd, echo, export, pwd, type, etc.

- 🏠 Executable commands are located in storage

  - 👤 cat, ls, rm, vim, etc.




# Command: builtin

```
# picoruby/mrbgems/picoruby-shell/mrblib/command.rb
def exec(params)
  args = params[1, params.length - 1]
  case params[0]
  when "echo"
    _echo(*args)
  when "type"
    _type(*args)
  when "pwd"
    puts Dir.pwd
  when "cd"
    puts if Dir.chdir(args[0] || ENV['HOME']) != 0
  when "free"
    Object.memory_statistics.each do |k, v|
      print "#{k.to_s.ljust(5)}: #{v.to_s.rjust(8)}", @feed
    end
  end
end
```



# Command: executable

```
picoruby/mrbgems/picoruby-shell/  
├── mrbgem.rake  
├── mrblib  
│   ├── command.rb  
│   └── shell.rb  
├── shell_executables   
│   ├── cat.rb  
│   ├── hello.rb  
│   ├── ls.rb  
│   ├── rm.rb  
│   └── vim.rb  
└── src  
    └── shell.c
```

*# Search path*

```
ENV["PATH"] => ["/bin"]
```



# Command: executable

- 🚀 You can write your own executable in PicoRuby

```
$ vim hello_ruby.rb
'''
puts "Hello RubyWorld"
'''

$ install hello_ruby.rb /bin/hello_ruby
$ hello_ruby
Hello RubyWorld
```



# Filesystem

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- 🏠 Computer has filesystem(s)
  - 👤 MS-DOS: **M**icrosoft **D**isk **O**perating **S**ystem
  - 👤 NTFS, ext{2,3,4}, etc.
- 🏠 Micon generally doesn't have a filesystem



# FAT filesystem

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- 🏠 File Allocation Table (FAT)
- 🏠 Developed by Microsoft along with MS-DOS
- 🏠 8-bit FAT, FAT12, FAT16, FAT32, exFAT
- 🏠 Under construction for Flash ROM 😄
  - 👤 Today's demo is working on RAM disk



# VFS (Virtual File System)

- VFS-like system written in PicoRuby
- Different devices and even different filesystems can mount under the root

```
VFS.mount(FAT.new(:flash), "/")
VFS.mount(FAT.new(:ram), "/ram")
VFS.mount(FAT.new(:sdcard), "/sdcard")
```

```
/
├── bin/
├── home/
├── ram/
│   └── tmp/
├── sdcard/ # SPI not impemented yet
│   └── data.sqlite
```



# mruby's build system

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- **mrbgems** is a library management system for mruby
- You can freely host your own gem
- Matz says it's an advanced one (than MicroPython?)
- Bundled mgems are automatically loaded



# mruby's build system

```
mruby
├─── Rakefile
├─── bin/
├─── build/
├─── build_config/
├─── include/
├─── lib/
│   └─── mruby/      # MRuby module
├─── mrbgems/
├─── mrblib/
├─── src/
├─── tasks/
│   ├───
│   ├─── mrbgems.rake
│   └───
```



# PicoRuby's build system

```
picoruby
├── Rakefile           📁 modified
├── bin/
├── build/
├── build_config/
├── include/
├── lib/
│   ├── mruby/        # `module MRuby`
│   └── picoruby/
│       └── build.rb  📁 MRuby overridden
├── mrbgems/
├── mrblib/
├── src/
├── tasks/
│   ├──
│   ├── mrbgems.rake
│   ├──
│   ├── picogems.rake 📁 MRuby.each_target overridden
│   └──
```



# PicoRuby's build system

```
picoruby
├── build/repos/host/
│   ├── mruby-bin-picorbc/ # picorbc
│   └── mruby-pico-compiler/
├──
└── mrbgems/
    ├── default.gembox
    ├── picoruby-bin-picoirb/ # picoirb
    ├── picoruby-bin-picoruby/ # picoruby
    ├── picoruby-bin-prsh/ # prsh [pə:rʃ]
    ├── picoruby-filesystem-fat/ # FAT filesystem
    ├── picoruby-io/ # io gem
    ├── picoruby-mrubyc/ # mruby/c VM
    ├── picoruby-sandbox/
    ├── picoruby-shell/
    ├── picoruby-terminal/
    ├── picoruby-vfs/
    └── picoruby-vim/
```



# PicoRuby's build system

```
# picoruby/mrbgems/default.gembox
MRuby::GemBox.new do |conf|
  conf.gem github: 'picoruby/mruby-pico-compiler'
  conf.gem github: 'picoruby/mruby-bin-picorbc'
  conf.gem core: 'picoruby-bin-picoruby'
  conf.gem core: 'picoruby-bin-picoirb'
  conf.gem core: 'picoruby-mrubyc'
end
```

└ `mruby-pico-compiler` and `mruby-bin-picorbc`  
└ can be bundled in mruby (MicroRuby)



# A typical picogem

```
picoruby/  
└── mrbgems/picoruby-io/  
    ├── mrbgem.rake  
    ├── mrblib  
    │   ├── io.rb  
    │   └── src/  
    │       ├── hal/  
    │       │   ├── hal.h  
    │       │   └── posix  
    │       │       └── hal.c  
    └── io.c
```



# `require`

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- 🏠 mruby doesn't have `require` out of the box
  - 🧠 Neither does mruby/c
- 🏠 PicoRuby has introduced `require`
  - 🧠 Bundled Picogem code already consumed ROM, but
  - 🧠 It isn't loaded onto RAM automatically
  - 🧠 Consumes RAM only after `require`



# Making a PicoRuby app elegantly

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- CRuby code compatible with PicoRuby
- PicoRuby for PC (MRBC\_USE\_HAL\_POSIX)
  - Write minimum HAL for POSIX
  - Extend PicoRuby's builtin class if necessary
- Keep the app code independent from Picoruby
  - **Do not copy and paste files any longer**



# Keep the app code independent

```
example-IoT-app
├── CMakeLists.txt      # Just link src/*.c and libmruby.a
├── Rakefile
├── build
│   ├── ...
├── include
│   ├── ...
├── lib
│   └── picoruby      # libmruby.a created by 'rake'
├── mrblib
│   ├── main_task.rb
│   └── temperature_sensor_task.rb
├── pico_sdk_import.cmake
└── src
    ├── hal.c        # Micon dependent hal
    ├── temperature_sensor.c
    ├── main.c
    └── ...
```



# Compatible CRuby with PicoRuby

```
# picoruby-vim/mrblib/vim.rb
case RUBY_ENGINE
when "ruby", "jruby"
  require_relative "../picoruby-terminal/mrblib/terminal"
when "mruby/c"
  require "terminal"
else
  raise "Unknown RUBY_ENGINE: #{RUBY_ENGINE}"
end

class Vim
  (...)
end
```



# Compatible CRuby with PicoRuby

Run with CRuby on your PC, then

```
$ ruby -r./mrbgems/picoruby-vim/mrblib/vim.rb \  
-e 'Vim.new("myfile.txt").start'
```

You can easily implement and debug  
a "Pure" PicoRuby app with CRuby



DEMO





**BACK TO  
IMPLEMENTATION**



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**STDIN confuses you** 🤩



# Standard INPUT

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- 🏠 Cooked mode **(by default on Unix-like OS)**
  - 👤 Blocked until submit (recall Kernel#gets)
    - 👤 "a" "b" "c" "[BSPACE]" "d" "[ENTER]" => "abd"
- 🏠 Raw mode **(obviously by default on bare metals)**
  - 👤 Immediately receives any input
    - 👤 "a" "b" "c" "[BSPACE]" "d" => "abc[BSPACE]d"

Really confusing in making compatible code



# Standard INPUT

```
static struct termios save_settings;
static int save_flags;

/* Turn into raw mode on Linux (Windows has another solution) */
struct termios settings;
tcgetattr(fileno(stdin), &save_settings);
settings = save_settings;
settings.c_iflag = ~(BRKINT | ISTRIP | IXON);
settings.c_lflag = ~(ICANON | IEXTEN | ECHO | ECHOE | ECHOK | ECHONL);
settings.c_cc[VMIN] = 1;
settings.c_cc[VTIME] = 0;
tcsetattr(fileno(stdin), TCSANOW, &settings);
save_flags = fcntl(fileno(stdin), F_GETFL, 0);
fcntl(fileno(stdin), F_SETFL, save_flags | O_NONBLOCK);

/* Turn back to cooked mode */
fcntl(fileno(stdin), F_SETFL, save_flags);
tcsetattr(fileno(stdin), TCSANOW, &save_settings);
```



# Standard INPUT

```
# picoruby/mrbgems/picoruby-terminal/mrblib/terminal.rb
case RUBY_ENGINE
when "ruby", "jruby"
  require "io/console"

  def IO.get_nonblock(max)
    STDIN.noecho{ |input| input.read_nonblock(max) }
  rescue IO::EAGAINWaitReadable => e
    nil
  end

when "mruby/c"
  require "io"

  def IO.get_nonblock(max)
    str = read_nonblock(max) # calls C implementation
    str&.length == 0 ? nil : str
  end

end
```



# C object in RVALUE: mruby

```
#define MRB_VTYPE_FOREACH(f) \  
  /* mrb_vtype */ /* c type */ /* ruby class */ \  
  f(MRB_TT_FALSE, void, "false") \  
  ... \  
  f(MRB_TT_OBJECT, struct RObject, "Object") \  
  ... \  
  f(MRB_TT_DATA, struct RData, "Data") \ // 📌  
  ...  
  
struct RData {  
  MRB_OBJECT_HEADER;  
  struct iv_tbl *iv;  
  const mrb_data_type *type;  
  void *data; // 📌 You can pin any object here  
};
```



# C object in RVALUE: mruby/c

```
typedef struct RInstance {
  MRBC_OBJECT_HEADER;
  struct RClass *cls;
  struct RKeyValueHandle ivar;
  uint8_t data[]; // 🖱️ The last member can extend
} mrbc_instance;
// File.new
mrbc_value obj = mrbc_instance_new(vm, v->cls, sizeof(FIL));
//                                     ^^^^^^^^^^^^^^^
//                                     extend RVALUE
FIL *file_stream_ptr = (FIL *)obj.instance->data;
SET_RETURN(obj); // File.new => #<File:200098a0>
```

No need to `free(file_stream_ptr);`



**Finally, the shell works**





**By the way,**



**How should I name  
this product 🤔**



# Ruby on Raspberry Pi Pico



# Ruby on Raspberry Pi Pico



R2-P2







R2-P2



***“It is said that (account) names  
should not contain  
hyphens or underscores.”***

*[cited from `@kakutani']*



R2-P2



R2P2



Be one the first stargazers of  
[github.com/picoruby/R2P2](https://github.com/picoruby/R2P2)  
(turned public repo today!)



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# Future work

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## 🏠 PicoRuby and Shell

- 👤 More functionality of vim and the name
- 👤 UTF-8 support
- 👤 Multi-task control on the fly
- 👤 Redirect and pipeline

## 🏠 Peripherals

- 👤 FAT filesystem with SD card (SPI)
- 👤 Real-time clock (RTC)
- 👤 WiFi and TCP/IP on Raspberry Pi Pico W



QANDA



[GITHUB.COM/PICORUBY/R2P2](https://github.com/picoruby/r2p2)



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