Display Shield Raspberry Pi

construction and programming manual

Rev.	Date	Description
А	2017-01-18	First release
В	2020-09-08	Changed to Display Shield Version 2.x

1.) Electrical connection

1.1) Raspberry Pi – RasPiBox Open 1.3.x

Pin	Cable color	Raspberry Pi	Description
1	black	N.C.	Optional Interrupt line – not used ¹
2	brown	GPIO3	SCL – I2C clock
3	red	GPIO2	SDA – I2C data
4	orange	3,3V	3,3V power supply
5	yellow	GND	Ground connection



Fig 1: Wiring example RasPiBox Open

¹ If you want, you can connect this wire with a GPIO of your choice. In our programming example we don't use this line!

1.2) Raspberry Pi Zero – RasPiBox Zero 4.x

Pin	Cable color	Pi Zero	Description
1	black	N.C.	Optional Interrupt line – not used ²
2	brown	GPIO3	SCL – I2C clock
3	red	GPIO2	SDA – I2C data
4	orange	3,3V	3,3V power supply
5	yellow	GND	Ground connection



Abbildung 1: Wiring example for RasPiBox Zero Lite V4.x

² If you want, you can connect this wire with a GPIO of your choice. In our programming example we don't use this line!

2.) Mechanical assembly in RasPiBox enclosure

Remove the protection foil from the double adhesive tape first:



Glue the shield into the top shell:



Place it exactely as in the picture above and close as possible to the left wall!

3.) Programming in Python

Before using the library you will need to make sure you have a few dependencies installed. Connect to your device using SSH and follow the steps below.

First you have to enable the I2C port of the Raspberry PI:

sudo raspi-config

- \rightarrow 5 Interfacing Options
- \rightarrow P5 I2C
- \rightarrow Would you like the ARM I2C interface to be enabled? \rightarrow Yes

sudo reboot

Now you have to install the I2C tools:

sudo apt-get install i2c-tools -y

Now you can test the I2C interface:

i2cdetect -y 1

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0x3C is the address of the SH1106 controller and 0x20 is the address of the MCP23008

Now you have to install Python3, PIP3 and some dependencies:

sudo apt install python3-dev python3-pip libfreetype6-dev libjpeg-dev buildessential libopenjp2-7 libtiff5

and the luma driver library for the SH1106 controller too:

sudo -H pip3 install --upgrade luma.oled

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For the MCP23008 we have to install the smbus library too:

sudo pip3 install smbus

Now to download and install the demo code for the display shield, execute the following commands:

cd .. git clone https://github.com/hwhardsoft/Display_Shield_RPI.git cd Display_Shield_RPI

(The code is available also on our website)

to run the demo enter for the standard version:

sudo python3 display_shield.py

Press the 3 buttons to view different screens!