

Topic:	Digital Picture Frame
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0. Before you start

This document will give you an overview of the source code for the example package Digital Picture Frame. Before you can work with it you need to set up your working environment as explained in the document “ExamplePackage_GettingStarted”. Make sure you have read this document beforehand and executed all the steps to configure your Workbench. Especially, that you have added all the paths to the *Source Location* and *Includes* properties including those, who are specifically required for this Digital Picture Frame example.

For a more detailed explanation of how the microcontroller works, please refer to the STM32F429 Reference Manual (RM0090) and the Standard Peripheral Library documentation provided by STMicroelectronics.

1. Introduction

In this example package we will implement a digital picture frame. The microcontroller will search an inserted micro-SD-card for JPG files. Afterwards it will decode each JPG one by one and show the picture on the display. The current decoded image will be stored on the external SDRAM.

For the access to the SD-card we use the Open-source FatFs library by ELM-Chan with addition from Tilen Majerle. For handling the JPGs we use the Open-source LibJPEG library.

2. Explanation of Example Code

2.1 Main function

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39- /******
40 *
41 * Function: int main(void)
42 *
43 * Summary: Entry point of display control application
44 *
45 * Parameters:
46 *
47 * Return:
48 *
49 * Revision History:
50 * Creation Date:
51 *
52 *****/
53- int main(void) {
54
55     /* Initialize the peripherals */
56     HW_Init();
57     display_init();
58     initMemBlock();
59     disk_initialize(0);
60
61     // 20 jpeges with file path shorter than 50 characters (including filename).
62     //If longer file paths are expected the value most also be changed in "tm_stm32f4_fatfs.c" in the "scan_files"-function
63     char jpeg_filename_array[20][50];
64     int jpeg_count = SDIO_search_for_jpeg(&jpeg_filename_array[0][0]);
65     for(;;){
66         for(int i=0; i<jpeg_count; i++){
67             char jpeg_filename[50];
68             strcpy(jpeg_filename, (const char*)(jpeg_filename_array+i));
69             paint_JPEG_file(jpeg_filename);
70         }
71     }
72     return 0;
73 }
74

```

We will start our walkthrough in the code at the main function since this gives a perfect overview of the steps that we will take. At the beginning, the used peripherals are initialized. *HW_Init()* initializes and turns on the display backlight. Also, it sets up the different system clocks and the timer, which counts every microsecond, and the GPIO-Pin PG10, which detects if a SD-card is inserted.

Afterwards we initialize the display which also includes the initialization of the SDRAM, because this is where the buffer for the displayed images will be located. The DMA2D is used to send the image data directly from the buffer to the LCD, which speeds up the image manipulation. Part of the display initialization is the drawing of the EBS-SYSTART logo. The function that executes this task is explained in the Example Package-documentation for "Drawing Text and Images".

The *initMemBlock()* function initializes a 8 Mbyte memory block on the external SDRAM for use with the self-implemented malloc function. This is needed for the JPG-decoding process since this will require an amount of memory that is too large for the internal RAM.

disk_initialize(0) will initialize the SD-card (physical drive number 0) which is connected via SDIO.

After the initialization process, we start with the actual task. Since we want to display JPGs from the SD-card, we need to find the full file paths of these. This is done with the function *search_for_jpeg(char*)* which needs a 2d-array of characters as parameter. This array will be filled with the file paths. As you can see, **we assumed that there won't be more than 20 files** and that the **longest file path won't exceed 50 characters**. *Search_for_jpeg()* returns the number of detected JPGs.

After the JPGs are found we enter the main loop. Here, we step through the file name array and give the current name to the function *paint_JPEG_file(char*)*. This function connects again to the SD-card and obtains and decodes the JPG-file with the given name and displays it.

2.2 Function: SDIO_search_for_jpeg(char*)

```

d_SDI0.c
47 int SDIO_search_for_jpeg(char* name_array){
48 // check if SD-card is inserted
49 if(GPIO_ReadInputDataBit(GPIOG, GPIO_Pin_10)==1){
50     FRESULT res;
51     FATFS_sd_fs;
52     TM_FATFS_Search_t FindStruct;
53     char working_buffer[200];
54
55     //Mount SD card
56     res = f_mount(&sd_fs, "0", 1);
57
58     if(res == FR_OK){
59         TM_FATFS_Search("SD:", working_buffer, 50, &FindStruct, name_array);
60     }
61     f_mount(0, "0", 1);
62     return FindStruct.JpegCount;
63 }
64 else{// no SD-card detected
65     return -1;
66 }
67 }
68

```

This function starts the search process for the JPG files. At first you need to mount the SD-card. If this was successful we call the TM_FATFS_Search function which checks if memory needs to be allocated and then scans the SD-card file by file by calling the *scan_files()* function. At the end, the SD-card will be unmounted by *f_mount(0, "0", 1)*.

```

tm_stm32f4_fatfs.c
147
148 FRESULT TM_FATFS_Search(char* Folder, char* tmp_buffer, uint16_t tmp_buffer_size, TM_FATFS_Search_t* FindStructure, char* tmp_name_array) {
149     uint8_t malloc_used = 0;
150     FRESULT res;
151
152     /* Reset values first */
153     FindStructure->FilesCount = 0;
154     FindStructure->FoldersCount = 0;
155     FindStructure->JpegCount = 0;
156
157     /* Check for buffer */
158     if (tmp_buffer == NULL) {
159         /* Try to allocate memory */
160         tmp_buffer = (char *) LIB_ALLOC_FUNC(tmp_buffer_size);
161
162         /* Check for success */
163         if (tmp_buffer == NULL) {
164             return FR_NOT_ENOUGH_CORE;
165         }
166     }
167
168     /* Check if there is a lot of memory allocated */
169     if (strlen(Folder) < tmp_buffer_size) {
170         /* Reset TMP buffer */
171         tmp_buffer[0] = 0;
172
173         /* Format path first */
174         strcpy(tmp_buffer, Folder);
175
176         /* Call search function */
177         res = scan_files(tmp_buffer, tmp_buffer_size, FindStructure, tmp_name_array);
178     } else {
179         /* Not enough memory */
180         res = FR_NOT_ENOUGH_CORE;
181     }
182
183     /* Check for malloc */
184     if (malloc_used) {
185         LIB_FREE_FUNC(tmp_buffer);
186     }
187
188     /* Return result */
189     return res;
190 }

```

Every time a file is detected we check the file ending to see if it is a JPG file. If it is, the file path is written in the name array. When we reached the end of the SD-card, we will return to the main function and the name array is filled with the file paths of all JPG files on the SD-card.

2.3 Function: paint_JPEG_file(char*)

The function `paint_JPEG_file()` takes the file path of the wanted picture as a parameter. It begins with mounting the SD-card and opening the wanted file on the SD-card, which creates a `FIL` object as a file handle. Then it goes on with initializing the standard error handler for the decoding process and the decompress struct which will contain all the necessary information and parameters for decompression. The function `jpeg_stdio_src()` defines our file handler as the source for the decompression process. Next, we read the header of our wanted JPG file. This will give us information about the dimension of the picture.

```

66 int paint_JPEG_file (char * filename)
67 {
68     struct jpeg_decompress_struct cinfo;
69     struct jpeg_error_mgr jerr;
70
71     FIL infile;          // source file
72     FATFS sd_fs;
73     JSAMPARRAY buffer;  // Output row buffer
74     int row_stride;     // physical row width in output buffer
75     tTimer refTime = timer_get_time_ms();
76     FRESULT fres = f_mount(&sd_fs, "0", 1);
77     if(fres != FR_OK){
78         return 1;
79     }
80     fres = f_open(&infile, filename, FA_READ);
81     if (fres != FR_OK) {
82         return 1;
83     }
84
85     cinfo.err = jpeg_std_error(&jerr);
86
87     jpeg_create_decompress(&cinfo);
88
89     jpeg_stdio_src(&cinfo, &infile);
90
91     jpeg_read_header(&cinfo, TRUE);
92
93

```

The next part of the function `paint_JPEG_file()` checks if the dimension of the picture is compatible with our used display. Pictures that are too large for the display will be scaled down. Since the LibJPEG library only supports scaling ratios 1/8, 2/8, ... 16/8 we need to find the right scaling parameters. Afterwards, the decompression is started.

```

93 // check if downscaling is needed. If so, set the parameter for decompression accordingly
94 if(cinfo.image_width > HDP || cinfo.image_height > VDP){
95     float fract;
96     float width_fract = ((float)HDP)/cinfo.image_width;
97     float height_fract = ((float)VDP)/cinfo.image_height;
98     if(width_fract < height_fract){
99         fract = width_fract;
100     }
101     else{
102         fract = height_fract;
103     }
104
105     //only supported scaling ratios are M/8 with all M from 1 to 16
106     if(fract >= 7.0/8){
107         cinfo.scale_num = 7;
108     }
109     else if(fract >= 6.0/8){
110         cinfo.scale_num = 6;
111     }
112     else if(fract >= 5.0/8){
113         cinfo.scale_num = 5;
114     }
115     else if(fract >= 4.0/8){
116         cinfo.scale_num = 4;
117     }
118     else if(fract >= 3.0/8){
119         cinfo.scale_num = 3;
120     }
121     else if(fract >= 2.0/8){
122         cinfo.scale_num = 2;
123     }
124     else if(fract >= 1.0/8){
125         cinfo.scale_num = 1;
126     }
127     else{ // jpeg is too large to be shown on this display
128         return 2;
129     }
130     cinfo.scale_denom = 8;
131 }
132
133 jpeg_start_decompress(&cinfo);
134

```

After the decompression is finished, we go through the whole decompressed file line by line with the *while* loop. Each loop starts by storing a line of the image in the variable *buffer*. Then we read the *buffer* byte by byte. Since one byte represents either red, green or blue and the structure of *buffer* is like *red, green, blue, red, green, blue, red, ...*, we combine each group of three bytes to one RGB-pixel and store the pixels on the external SDRAM. After we read the whole decompressed file and stored all pixels, we finish the decompression task with *jpeg_finish_decompress()* and *jpeg_destroy_decompress()* which frees all the memory that may still be allocated by the previous decompression function. Then we close the file handler and unmount the SD-card.

```

135 row_stride = cinfo.output_width * cinfo.output_components;
136
137 buffer = (*cinfo.mem->alloc_sarray)
138         ((j_common_ptr) &cinfo, JPOOL_IMAGE, row_stride, 1);
139
140 int rgb_ctr;
141 int pixel_ctr = 0;
142 uint32_t pixel = 0;
143 uint32_t image_data_addr = 0xC05DC000;
144 while (cinfo.output_scanline < cinfo.output_height) {
145     jpeg_read_scanlines(&cinfo, buffer, 1);
146     rgb_ctr = 0;
147     for(int i=0; i<row_stride; i++){
148         uint32_t temp = (uint32_t)*(*buffer+i);
149         switch(rgb_ctr){
150             case 0: pixel = temp<<16;
151                 rgb_ctr++;
152                 break;
153             case 1: pixel |= temp<<8;
154                 rgb_ctr++;
155                 break;
156             case 2: pixel |= temp;
157                 SDRAM_Write_32b((image_data_addr - 0xC0000000)+pixel_ctr*4, pixel); //4 byte per pixel...
158                 // note that SDRAM_Write_xxx and SDRAM_Read_xxx use the offset to SDRAM_START_ADDR(=0xC0000000) as parameter
159                 pixel_ctr++;
160                 rgb_ctr = 0;
161                 break;
162         }
163     }
164 }
165 }
166
167 jpeg_finish_decompress(&cinfo);
168 jpeg_destroy_decompress(&cinfo);
169 f_close(&infile);
170 f_mount(0, "0", 1);
171

```

At last, we wait for 7 seconds before the decompressed picture is send to the display.

```

172 while(timer_get_time_ms()-refTime < 7000){}
173 DMA2D_Fill_Color(0xFFFFFFFF, Layer_1, Buffer_1);
174 DMA2D_Draw_Image((HDP-cinfo.output_width)/2, (VDP-cinfo.output_height)/2, cinfo.output_width, cinfo.output_height,
175                 0xFF, REPLACE_ALPHA_VALUE, (uint32_t)image_data_addr, CM_ARGB8888, Layer_1, Buffer_1);
176
177 return 0;
178 }
179

```

3. Ideas for Exercise Project

Here, we want to give you some suggestions how you could modify our example code and make your own little project.

In our example code we have created a digital picture frame, which changes automatically every 7 seconds the image. After reading the guide for our example package *Processing Touch Input*, you could try to implement a swipe function. Instead of automatically parsing through the list of found JPGs, the controller could wait until a touch input is detected and depending on whether the touch input is a left-swipe or a right-swipe it could swap to next or previous image.