AdafruitEPD Library Documentation

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This library is for using CircuitPython with e-ink displays with built in SRAM.

CHAPTER 1

Dependencies

This driver depends on:

- Adafruit CircuitPython
- Bus Device
- font5x8.bin found in the examples bundle

Please ensure all dependencies are available on the CircuitPython filesystem. This is easily achieved by downloading the Adafruit library and driver bundle.

CHAPTER 2

Installing from PyPI

On supported GNU/Linux systems like the Raspberry Pi, you can install the driver locally from PyPI. To install for current user:

```
pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-epd
```

To install system-wide (this may be required in some cases):

```
sudo pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-epd
```

To install in a virtual environment in your current project:

```
mkdir project-name && cd project-name
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-epd
```

CHAPTER 3

Usage Example

```
import digitalio
import busio
import board
from adafruit_epd.epd import Adafruit_EPD
from adafruit_epd.il0373 import Adafruit_IL0373

# create the spi device and pins we will need
spi = busio.SPI(board.SCK, MOSI=board.MOSI, MISO=board.MISO)
ecs = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D12)
dc = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D11)
srcs = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D10)    # can be None to use internal memory
rst = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D9)     # can be None to not use this pin
busy = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D5)    # can be None to not use this pin

# give them all to our driver
print("Creating display")
display = Adafruit_IL0373(104, 212, spi,          # 2.13" Tri-color display
                          cs_pin=ecs, dc_pin=dc, sramcs_pin=srcs,
                          rst_pin=rst, busy_pin=busy)

display.rotation = 1

# clear the buffer
print("Clear buffer")
display.fill(Adafruit_EPD.WHITE)
display.pixel(10, 100, Adafruit_EPD.BLACK)

print("Draw Rectangles")
display.fill_rect(5, 5, 10, 10, Adafruit_EPD.RED)
display.rect(0, 0, 20, 30, Adafruit_EPD.BLACK)

print("Draw lines")
display.line(0, 0, display.width-1, display.height-1, Adafruit_EPD.BLACK)
display.line(0, display.height-1, display.width-1, 0, Adafruit_EPD.RED)
```

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```
print("Draw text")
display.text('hello world', 25, 10, Adafruit_EPD.BLACK)
display.display()
```

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Contributing

Contributions are welcome! Please read our Code of Conduct before contributing to help this project stay welcoming.

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Documentation

For information on building library documentation, please check out this guide.

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6.1 Simple test

Ensure your device works with this simple test.

Listing 1: examples/epd_simpletest.py

```
# SPDX-FileCopyrightText: 2021 ladyada for Adafruit Industries
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import digitalio
import busio
import board
from adafruit_epd.epd import Adafruit_EPD
from adafruit_epd.il0373 import Adafruit_IL0373
from adafruit_epd.il91874 import Adafruit_IL91874  # pylint: disable=unused-import
from adafruit_epd.il0398 import Adafruit_IL0398  # pylint: disable=unused-import
from adafruit_epd.ssd1608 import Adafruit_SSD1608  # pylint: disable=unused-import
from adafruit_epd.ssd1675 import Adafruit_SSD1675  # pylint: disable=unused-import
from adafruit_epd.ssd1680 import Adafruit_SSD1680  # pylint: disable=unused-import
from adafruit_epd.ssd1681 import Adafruit_SSD1681  # pylint: disable=unused-import

# create the spi device and pins we will need
spi = busio.SPI(board.SCK, MOSI=board.MOSI, MISO=board.MISO)
ecs = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D12)
dc = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D11)
srcs = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D10)  # can be None to use internal memory
rst = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D9)  # can be None to not use this pin
busy = digitalio.DigitalInOut(board.D5)  # can be None to not use this pin

# give them all to our drivers
print("Creating display")
# display = Adafruit_SSD1608(200, 200,        # 1.54" HD mono display
# display = Adafruit_SSD1675(122, 250,        # 2.13" HD mono display
```

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```
# display = Adafruit_SSD1680(122, 250,         # 2.13" HD Tri-color display
# display = Adafruit_SSD1681(200, 200,         # 1.54" HD Tri-color display
# display = Adafruit_IL91874(176, 264,         # 2.7" Tri-color display
# display = Adafruit_IL0373(152, 152,          # 1.54" Tri-color display
# display = Adafruit_IL0373(128, 296,          # 2.9" Tri-color display
# display = Adafruit_IL0398(400, 300,          # 4.2" Tri-color display
display = Adafruit_IL0373(
    104,
    212,  # 2.13" Tri-color display
    spi,
    cs_pin=ecs,
    dc_pin=dc,
    sramcs_pin=srcs,
    rst_pin=rst,
    busy_pin=busy,
)

# IF YOU HAVE A FLEXIBLE DISPLAY (2.13" or 2.9") uncomment these lines!
# display.set_black_buffer(1, False)
# display.set_color_buffer(1, False)

display.rotation = 1

# clear the buffer
print("Clear buffer")
display.fill(Adafruit_EPD.WHITE)
display.pixel(10, 100, Adafruit_EPD.BLACK)

print("Draw Rectangles")
display.fill_rect(5, 5, 10, 10, Adafruit_EPD.RED)
display.rect(0, 0, 20, 30, Adafruit_EPD.BLACK)

print("Draw lines")
display.line(0, 0, display.width - 1, display.height - 1, Adafruit_EPD.BLACK)
display.line(0, display.height - 1, display.width - 1, 0, Adafruit_EPD.RED)

print("Draw text")
display.text("hello world", 25, 10, Adafruit_EPD.BLACK)
display.display()
```

6.2 adafruit_epd.epd - Adafruit EPD - ePaper display driver

CircuitPython driver for Adafruit ePaper display breakouts * Author(s): Dean Miller

class adafruit_epd.epd.**Adafruit_EPD**(*width*, *height*, *spi*, *cs_pin*, *dc_pin*, *sramcs_pin*, *rst_pin*, *busy_pin*)

Base class for EPD displays

command(*cmd*, *data=None*, *end=True*)

Send command byte to display.

display()

show the contents of the display buffer

fill(*color*)

fill the screen with the passed color

fill_rect(*x*, *y*, *width*, *height*, *color*)
fill a rectangle with the passed color

hardware_reset()
If we have a reset pin, do a hardware reset by toggling it

height
The height of the display, accounting for rotation

hline(*x*, *y*, *width*, *color*)
draw a horizontal line

image(*image*)
Set buffer to value of Python Imaging Library image. The image should be in RGB mode and a size equal to the display size.

line(*x_0*, *y_0*, *x_1*, *y_1*, *color*)
Draw a line from (x_0, y_0) to (x_1, y_1) in passed color

pixel(*x*, *y*, *color*)
draw a single pixel in the display buffer

power_down()
Power down the display, must be implemented in subclass

power_up()
Power up the display in preparation for writing RAM and updating. must be implemented in subclass

rect(*x*, *y*, *width*, *height*, *color*)
draw a rectangle

rotation
The rotation of the display, can be one of (0, 1, 2, 3)

set_black_buffer(*index*, *inverted*)
Set the index for the black buffer data (0 or 1) and whether its inverted

set_color_buffer(*index*, *inverted*)
Set the index for the color buffer data (0 or 1) and whether its inverted

set_ram_address(*x*, *y*)
Set the RAM address location, must be implemented in subclass

text(*string*, *x*, *y*, *color*, ***, *font_name='font5x8.bin'*, *size=1*)
Write text string at location (x, y) in given color, using font file

update()
Update the display from internal memory, must be implemented in subclass

vline(*x*, *y*, *height*, *color*)
draw a vertical line

width
The width of the display, accounting for rotation

write_ram(*index*)
Send the one byte command for starting the RAM write process. Returns the byte read at the same time over SPI. index is the RAM buffer, can be 0 or 1 for tri-color displays. must be implemented in subclass

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