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Industrial HMI: Driving Displays Basics and Roadmap

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Agenda

- Trends and Trade-Offs
- Hardware Interfacing
- Content Generation
- Freescale Solutions
- Conclusion
Display Content Delivery

►General Observations
  • iPhone and iPad have ushered in a new era of UI expectation
  • Public welcomes and expects digital content everywhere
  • Cost, low-power and longer battery life are key enablers

►Trade-Off – Creation vs. Delivery Cost
  • Reducing content creation cost
    ▪ Leverage development community skill set
    ▪ Leverage common tool sets
    ▪ Leverage existing content
  • Reducing content delivery cost
    ▪ Implies increasing content creation and management costs
    ▪ Efficiencies can be gained with specialized tool sets
    ▪ UI expectations works against cost reductions

►Change on the Horizon?
  • There is a push for more efficient embedded solutions, e.g. MID/tablet/netbook
  • Embedded UIs are becoming more complex but still have high cost pressure
  • Controlling delivery costs enables more public deployment and ROI
Display Solutions Tiers

► Segmented Display (288 Segments & Below)
  • Low-end integrated MCU solutions
  • 288 segments is the cost cross-over point to pixel based displays

► Smart Pixel Display (VGA & Below)
  • Low/mid-range general MCU/MPU solutions
  • Smart displays have an integrated frame buffer and MCU to refresh display
  • Memory mapped communication is used to update pixel changes
  • Serial/Parallel bus communication accommodates generic MPU/MCU solutions
  • Amount of pixel update is limited by communication bandwidth

► Dumb Pixel Display (VGA & Above)
  • Low/mid/high-end integrated display controller MCU/MPU solutions
  • Dumb displays have no buffer and are refreshed by the MCU/MPU
  • Display interface contains all data to update entire display at a refresh rate
  • Clocked interface happens over RGB, LVDS, HDMI and Display Port
  • Mid-range integrates multi-plane blend, graphics and video acceleration
  • High-end solutions interface to high-end graphics processors
Display Spectrum

Display Technologies

Small-size Displays

- Monochrome LCD Segment-based
- Monochrome LCD Dot-Matrix/Graphical
- Organic Light Emitting Diode Displays (OLED)
- Vacuum Fluorescent Display (VFD)
- LED Matrix

Med- to Large-sized Displays
Monitors, Terminals, TVs, etc

Color LCD/TFT Plasma/LED Graphical

Passive

Active
## Display Spectrum

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<td>► Other displays coming down to seg/char-based display prices offer key advantages</td>
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Hardware Interfacing
Segment LCD Interface Options

Integrated LCD driver

- LCD peripheral generates the FP and BP signals necessary to drive the display

LCD Glass module with SPI interface

- MCU generates the communication protocol necessary to interface to a smart LCD display
## LCD Interface Options

### Smart Displays
- MPU
- Unified Memory
- MCU/MPU
- SPI Mem Mapped Parallel
- LCD Frame Buffer

### Dumb Displays
- MPU
- Unified Memory
- MCU/MPU
- RGB
- VGA
- HDMI
- DP
- LCD

### Additional Options
- MPU
- Unified Memory
- MCU/MPU
- RGB
- LVDS
- Long Run Cable
- LCD

- MPU
- Unified Memory
- MCU/MPU
- ITU 656
- CVBS
- Long Run Cable
- LCD

- MPU Memory
- MPU
- PCI
- External GPU
- DRAM
- LCD
### Memory Mapped vs. RGB Interface Trade-Off

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* Example frequencies and interface efficiencies are not necessarily reflective of all market solutions

- Interface efficiency is a measure of addressing overhead on an interface
- At a given bit width an RGB is more efficient in number of lines, however memory mapped is shared
- Memory mapped will have a higher frame rate for partial screen updates in proportion to the subset
- Motion graphics needs an update rate of at least 30fps to appear smooth
- RGB interface needs a refresh rate of at least 60fps (based on CRTs, LCDs can take less)
- RGB interfaces clock at higher than frequency due to front/back porch and line blanking intervals
RGB Interface Frequency Overhead

LCD technology follows CRT interface standards
- Front/Back porch horizontal and veridical blanking are an artifact of CRT signaling
- LCD specs maintain 60fps refresh, crystals can be refreshed slower

Pixel rate not to same as interface rate
- Blanking intervals results in inflated horizontal/vertical interface pixel rates
- Pixel processing can runs slower than interface, but need to buffer pixels (buffer up pixel during blue regions):
  - \( \text{Pixel\_processing\_rate} = X \times Y \times \text{refresh\_rate} \)
  - \( \text{Buffer\_size} \geq X \times \left( \frac{\text{PIX\_CLK\_freq} - \text{Pixel\_processing\_rate}}{\text{PIX\_CLK\_freq}} \right), \) cover higher interface pixel rate
  - \( \text{Buffer\_size} \leq \text{Pixel\_processing\_rate} \times \left( \frac{X\_front + X\_back}{\text{PIX\_CLK\_freq}} \right), \) max buffering on horizontal blanking
Digital Content

Common Standards
Important Video Codec Formats

Video codecs provide the mechanism to reduce storage and bandwidth requirements to deliver changing display content. Codecs are judged on the basis of compression, quality and total cost to deploy.

► MPEG2
  • DVD playback
► H.263
  • Video conference, internet content
► H.264 / MPEG4 AVC
  • DivX, QuickTime, Flash FLV, IPTV, YouTube
► Sorenson, On2 VP
  • Flash FLV, YouTube
► WMV, VC-1
  • PC, internet content
► Real Video, RMVB
► Theora
  • Open source, royalty free
The Khronos Group is an industry consortium creating open standards for the authoring and acceleration of parallel computing, graphics and dynamic media on a wide variety of platforms and devices.

► Website: www.khronos.org
► The consortium has a wide and involved membership
► Good industry push towards their open royalty free standards
► “Foundation-Level” API standards close to the hardware
► Heavy focus on portable platforms aside from OpenGL
Ecosystem of APIs
Adobe Flash is the most established content delivery mechanism given its wide deployment and developer community. Adobe made its first attempt to open this “defacto” standard with Adobe FlashLite 3.1 and has recently released the follow-on Adobe Flash10 standard. Both imply licenses and runtime fees and working within the bounds of an approved Adobe system house or license agreement.

► Desktop Adobe Flash
  • Adobe Flash 9 introduced ActionScript3
  • Adobe Flash 10 introduced 3D manipulation

► Embedded Flash
  • Adobe FlashLite 3.1 (based on Flash 8)
  • QNX Aviage built on FlashLite 3.1.7
  • Gnash open source flash player
  • Swfdec open source library

► FLV - Video Container
  • Supports Sorenson, On2 and H.264 codecs

► Converters
  • Content is covered off-line to support a more efficient runtime display engine.
Java offers a hardware independent platform for delivering graphics on an embedded system.

► Java 2D API
► AWT (Abstract Windowing Toolkit) API
► Swing build widgets on top of Java 2D API
► M3G – Mobile 3D Graphics API
► JOGL – JAVA Open Graphics Library (OpenGL binding)

Apache Harmony project created a JVM with an Apache License to allow closed code work as oppose to the open GPL License.

There are many open source JVM solutions emphasizing reduced memory footprint, performance and safety critical certified aspects. These can be build from GPL or Apache code base.
Android™ OS – Open Smartphone Platform

Android OS offers a hardware independent platform enabling an apps development community, while offering vertical customization.

► Dalvik VM is derived from the Apache Harmony code base
► Graphics: Canvas (drawing + paint) -> bitmap
► AppWidgets allows sharing Widgets between apps
► EGL Interface
► OpenGL ES API Interface
Android OS Architecture
Window Managers & GUI

 ► Linux® Frameworks/Players
   • MPlayer
   • VLC
   • GStreamer

 ► Frame Buffer
   • DirectFB – lightweight

 ► Windowing Library
   • X-Server: X11, Tiny-X, Nano-X, … (heavy to lightweight)

 ► Desktops
   • GNOME, KDE, …

 ► GUI development tools
Digital Content

Custom GUI Development
Freescale Embedded GUI (eGUI)

- GUI library enabling rapid development of cost-effective graphical interfaces
- Pre-configured objects (button, check box, radio button, gauge, icon, label, menu, slider, picture and graph) complete with CodeWarrior demo projects
- Touch screen support
- Window manager for objects
- Interface support for SPI, memory mapped parallel bus and frame buffer to RGB
- Utilities including font, image and PC graphics converters
- Complimentary source code with any Freescale device
- Support for Freescale MQX and Linux
User application – layer of user application code

Application programmable interface - interface layer between user application and FGUI

eGUI high level - layer that manage all screens and objects (redraws, input keys, touch screen events etc.)

LCD low level – manage communication with LCD and provides some basic function (Draw line, bitmap, circle etc.)
PEG Value Proposition

**C/PEG™**
- Designed for:
  - Small LCDs
  - Low color-depth
- Very small footprint
- Single window display
- Multi-language capable
- Written in ANSI C

**PEG +™**
- Overlapping windows
- Alpha-blended images
- Decorated windows
- Run-time image decoders
- Run-time language resources
- Written in C++

**PEG Pro™**
- Screen transitions
- Multiple alpha-blended windows
- True anti-aliased line & font drawing
- Dynamic themes
- Written in C++

**The smallest footprint and most efficient code base available**

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PEG (Portable Embedded GUI) is a suite of products for rapid GUI development for embedded systems. PEG offers an effective method to scale GUIs from high-end MPU down to low-end MCU product families.
FMSoft’s MiniGUI

FMSoft provides a mature GUI support system has been shown run smoothly on real-time embedded systems

► The new MiniGUI 3.0 includes many more features such as double buffering of main window, Look and Feel Renderer, Irregular Windows, etc.

► For a video demo of MiniGUI click here

► For more information visit: http://www.minigui.com
MCF5227x & MCF532x devices are supported with

- emWin (GUI)
- embOS (RTOS)
- emFile (USB)
- emUSB

emWin: An efficient, processor- and LCD controller-independent graphical user interface (GUI) for any application that operates with a graphical LCD

- Any display, any CPU, any application
- Easy switch from b/w to grey scale or color
- Small footprint
- Extremely flexible for small graphics applications to high end graphics
- Simulation environment included
Freescale Display Enabled Products

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OGL: OpenGL hardware accelerator (also provides OpenVG and video codec support)
OVG: Dedicated OpenVG hardware accelerator
VC: Dedicated video codec hardware accelerator
PXP: Pixel pipeline processing block handling blending, CSC and scaling
DCP: Data co-processor that supports CSC
AXE: Audio/DSP core
Freescale Display Controllers

► **DIU**
  • 3-plane + cursor blend with N-plane writeback iterative blending
  • Each plane has flexible linked list of Area Of Interest (AOI) source buffer
  • Flexible \( \alpha \)RGB and 8-bit palletized pixel formats

► **DCU (DIU derivative)**
  • 4-plane blend selected from 16-layers (fixed priority) with bkgnr/cursor blit
  • Direct ITU656 input which can be a slave to or master display clock
  • Compressed data formats supported with tile and luminous modes

► **IPU**
  • 2-plane blend (video with graphics)

► **LCDC (IPU derivative)**
  • 2-plane blend (graphics with background)

► **LCDIF/PXP**
  • Single plane
  • PXP accelerator does mem-mem blending and processing

► **Segment Drivers**
  • Integrated front and backplane segment drivers supporting 3V and 5V
Freescale Display Enabled Products

8-Bit S08 & 32-Bit ColdFire MCU Segment Drivers
8bit Architecture Overview;
Part Freescale’s Controller Continuum

ColdFire® V4
ColdFire V3
ColdFire V2
ColdFire V1

32-bit

Flexis™ Series
The Controller Continuum “Connection Point”

S08 Based Families
Broad range of Solutions
From 2KB to 128KB Memory Sizes
Small 8pin packages up to highly function 80pin options
Starting from $0.60 - $4.00
Compatible with 32bit, part of Flexis Series

RS08 Based Products
Entry Level Line
Ultra-Low-Cost, starting sub $0.50
Small Packages; 6pin – 20pin
Small Memory Sizes; 1KB – 8KB
LCD controller

- LCD waveforms functional in LPRun, LPWait, wait, stop2 and stop3 low-power modes
- 64 LCD (LCD[63:0]) pins with selectable frontplane/backplane configuration
- Programmable LCD frame frequency with software configurable frame interrupt
- Programmable blink modes and frequency
- Integrated charge pump requires only four external capacitors for generating LCD bias voltages configurable to drive 3-V or 5-V LCD panels
- Internal regulated voltage source with a 4-bit trim register to apply contrast control
- Internal ADC channels are connected to VLL1 and VLCD to monitor their magnitudes. This feature allows software to adjust the contrast.
- Backplane reassignment to assist in vertical scrolling on dot-matrix displays
Key Differentiating Features

► Fewer pins required to drive LCD segments
  • 32 pins required for 192 segments in 8x24 mode
  • 28 pins required for 160 segments in 8x20 mode
  • 17 pins required for 104 segments in 8x13 mode

► Low power blinking mode
  • Internal software selectable regulated power supply that keeps constant voltage across LCD glass to avoid degradation
  • LL16 offers 4 bits resolution trim to adjust contrast control
    (Only for S08 and V1 cores)

► Front and back plane re-assignment
  • FP and BP can be software selectable to be either FP or BP, making board layout an easier task and very flexible for changes

► Internal charge pump provides all voltages required to power up LCD glass
  • Internal software selectable regulated power supply that keeps constant voltage across LCD glass to avoid degradation
  • LL16 offers 4 bits resolution trim to adjust contrast control
    (Only for S08 and V1 cores)
Benefits of using blink mode

1- Blinking to a blank screen turns all segments off, leading to lower standby current for the time that the screen is blank.

![Diagram of benefits of using blink mode]

2- Using the Alternate blink mode allows the application to remain in Stop mode for longer periods of time. Example: Using alternate display to show time across 2 Seconds.

![Diagram comparing benefits with and without alternate blink mode]
Factors that will affect LCD standby current

**LCD Frame Rate** – Frame rate is the rate at which the LCD segments will be refreshed. Frame rates that are too fast will produce ghosting, frame rates that are too slow will have poor contrast.

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1. LCD clock input ~ 32.768 kHz
2. Shaded table entries are out of specification and invalid.

LCD Peripheral allows for configurable frame rate.

Using the LCLK bits the frame rate can be optimized for the custom glass.
Factors that will affect LCD standby current

**LCD Glass Capacitance** - LCD glass capacitance is determined by the area of the segments on the glass. The larger the segment area, the larger the Capacitance will be.

- 500pF glass
- 8000pF glass
Factors that will affect LCD standby current

**Segments configuration** – Worst case configuration will be every other segment on. This will cause a rail to rail square wave on the Segment pins. Best case configuration will be all segments off.

For all segments off the LCD Front plane wave forms switch between VLL1 and VLL2

For every other segment on the LCD front plane waveforms switch between 0 and VLL3
Even more factors that will affect LCD standby current

**Number of segments supported** – More segments will lead to higher power consumption.

**Temperature** - Due to leakage at high temperatures, there is a sharp increase after 70°C.

**Glass Voltage** – When supporting 5V glass, the power consumption will increase due to the increased demands to the LCD charge pump.
### Product Comparison: LL16 vs. TI MSP430

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<tr>
<th>Configuration</th>
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<th>MSP430FG46 18/F2013 IDD</th>
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**Significant improvement**

**LL16 beats MSP430 on the power consumption with over 70% improvement.**

*Base on the same testing environment.*
Explore new segment LCD solutions

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<td>S08LC60/36</td>
<td>3V up to 160 segments with charge pump, up to 64K Flash</td>
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<td>S08LL16/8</td>
<td>ULP, Up to 192 Segment LCD, Flexible LCD solution, 1.8-3.3V, with charge pump</td>
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<td>RS08LA8</td>
<td>2.7-5V LCD, up to 168 segment LCD with charge pump</td>
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<td>RS08LE4</td>
<td>2.7-5.5V LCD, up to 112 segment in small (28SOIC) footprint.</td>
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<td>S08LG32/16 – NEW!!</td>
<td>2.7-5.5V LCD, up to 288 segments with charge pump, up to 32K Flash</td>
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▶ LCD Family Features:
- From 72 up to 288 segment LCD support; Drive more segments with less pins
- FP or BP reassignment
- Blink in Stop capability
- Internal Charge Pump (RS08LA, S08LL, S08LG)
- 3V ULP and 5V solutions

▶ LCD Resources
- Application Notes, Reference Designs, Demos, [www.freescale.com/lcd](http://www.freescale.com/lcd)

▶ LCD Developments
- Expansion of LL family to larger packages with more memory, higher accuracy ADCs
MCF51EM256/128

- **ColdFire V1 32-bit Core with Multiply Accumulate unit**
  - Efficiently supports complex power calculations
  - Inherently supports large memory systems
  - Provides enough throughput for application and connectivity

- **Independent Real Time Clock (RTC)**
  - Operates from an independent power supply, even during power outages when other MCU systems are not powered
  - Consumes very little power, less than 2µA

- **Robust Firmware Update**
  - Meter continues to operate from one Flash block, while other is updated and verified with new firmware
  - Flash block swap reliably completes firmware update

- **Tamper Detection**
  - Detects and records tamper attempt even during power off
  - Detects and records attempts to disconnect backup battery

- **Four 16-bit high speed SAR ADCs**
  - Support simultaneous sampling of four analog inputs
  - Include phase shift compensation needed with Current Transformers

- **LCD Controller**
  - Supports a wide range of displays, up to 288 segments
  - Up to eight backplanes reduces number of pins and system cost

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MC product available by end of Q1, 2010

Samples available now as PCF
### LCD Driver

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### Packages

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**$0.90 MSRP at 10K units**
### MC9RS08LA8

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#### Voltage Range
- 2.7V to 5.5V

#### Core
- 10 MHz CPU speed

#### Features
- 8-ch keyboard interrupt
- Up to 34 GPIOs
- 16 LCD pins mux with GPIO
- LVI (low voltage inhibit)
- RTI

#### Internal Clock Source (ICS)
- FLL
- On-chip oscillator
- External crystal support
- 2% accuracy over full operating range

#### Development Tools
- On-chip ICE and RS08BDM

#### $0.99 MSRP at 10K units
### LCD Driver

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#### 9S08LL16/8

- **S08 Core**
- **LL16: 16K**
- **LL8: 8K**
- **2K RAM**
- **ICE + 08BDM**
- **LVD**
- **KBI**
- **COP**
- **SPI**
- **Comparator**
- **LVD (low voltage detect)**
- **Time-of-day module**

#### Packages

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### Features

- **Voltage Range**
  - 1.8V to 3.6V
- **Core**
  - 20 MHz CPU speed
- **Features**
  - 8-ch keyboard interrupt
  - Up to 38 GPIOs
  - Up to 18 LCD pins mux with GPIO
  - LVD (low voltage detect)
  - Time-of-day module

### Internal Clock Source (ICS)

- **FLL**
- On-chip oscillator
- External crystal support
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### Development Tools

- On-chip ICE and 08BDM

### Start from $1.50* MSRP at 10K units

*Varies by package
**Design Considerations:**
- Ultra-Low Power
- S08 core
- 1.8V – 3.6V

**Availability:**
- LL64 Beta samples: July 2009
- LL64 Qualification: September 2009 (MC)

**LCD Driver**
- Up to 288 segment LCD drive (8x mode)
- BP/FP reassignment
- Blink operation in low-power modes
- Drive 3V and 5V LCD glass

**Features**
- 2xSCIs, IIC, SPI, KBI, TOD, ACMP
- 2x2ch 16bit TPM
- 10ch 12bit ADC
- VREF1.2 (1.2v – 40PPM/°C)
- 4K RAM
- Dual 32K Flash Arrays = 64K
- 2x2-ch 16bit TPM
- LCD Driver 8x36=288
- S08 Core w/MMU
- LVD
- KBI
- ICS
- COP
- IIC
- SPI
- 10ch-12 bit ADC
- 2xSCI
- 2x2-ch 16bit TPM
- TOD
- VREF
- ACMP
- BDM
- EEPROM emulation
- 80LQFP/64LQFP package
- Up to 39 GPIO

**Memory**
- Dual bank 32K flash
- 4K RAM

**Internal Clock Source (ICS)**
- FLL
- On chip oscillator
- External crystal support (32Khz, 1-16Mhz)
- 2% accuracy over full operating range

**Development Tools**
- On chip BDM
Family overview

- Targets low end cluster and general purpose LCD applications for autos, motorcycles, scooters, marine, etc.
- Integrated LCD, supporting both x8 and x4 mode up to 8 x 37 or 4 x 41 segments
- Dual bank flash for EEPROM emulation
- Multiple time bases for motor control
- Internal Clock Source
  - 2% accuracy across temp
- Strong EMC performance in tough environment
- -40°C to 105°C and 2.7–5.5V operation available

Availability

- Alpha samples March 2009
- MC Qual April 2009
MC9S08LH64/36
High Resolution ADC

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- 2xSCIs, IIC, SPI, KBI, TOD, ACMP
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- 10ch 16bit ADC, 2 dedicated differentials
- VREF1.2 (1.2v – 40PPM/°C)
- 4K RAM
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- Dual bank 32K flash
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**Availability:**
- LH64 Beta samples: October 2009
- LH64 Qualification: January 2010 (MC)

**Development Tools**
- On chip BDM
Freescale Display Enabled Products

ColdFire MPU Products
**68K/ColdFire® V2 Core**

- Up to 158 Dhrystone 2.1 MIPS @ 160 MHz (Hip7A)
- Enhanced Multiply Accumulate and Hardware Divide
- 16K bytes Configurable I/D Cache
- 128K bytes SRAM
- Integrated LCD Controller
  - CSTN and TFT w/ Up to 800x 600(SVGA) resolution
  - 8x12-bit ADC w/ Touch-screen Controller
  - **Real touch screen controller**
- USB 2.0 full-speed On-the-go Controller
- CAN 2.0B Controller (FlexCAN)
- 3 UARTs
- DMA Serial Peripheral Interface (DSPI)
- **I²C bus interface**
- Synchronous Serial Interface (SSI)
- 4 ch. 32-bit timers with DMA support
- Real Time Clock
- 16 ch. DMA controller
- 16-bit DDR / 32-bit SDR SDRAM controller
- Up to 55 General-Purpose I/O
- System Integration (PLL, SW Watchdog)
- 1.5V Core, 1.8V/2.5V/3.3V Bus I/O
- Temperature Range: -40°C to +85°C

- M52277EVB Full Evaluation Platform
- Available packages: 176QFP and 196BGA
- Lowered pricing starting at $5.99 10K SRP
68K/ColdFire V3 Core

- Up to 200 Dhrystone 2.1 MIPS @ 240 MHz
- Enhanced MAC Module and HW Divide
- 16K bytes Unified Cache
- 32K bytes SRAM
- Integrated LCD Controller
  - STN and TFT
  - Up to 800x 600(SVGA) resolution
- USB 2.0 host controller
- USB 2.0 Host/Device/On-the-go Controller
  - High Speed ULPI support
- Optional 10/100 Ethernet MAC (external PHY)
- Optional Hardware Accelerated Encryption
  - Random Number Generator
  - DES, 3DES, AES, Block Cipher Engine
  - MD5, SHA-1, HMAC, Hash Accelerator
- Optional CAN 2.0B Controller
- Synchronous Serial Interface (SSI)
- 3 UARTs
- Queued Serial Peripheral Interface (QSPI)
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- M5329EVB Evaluation Platform
- M53281KIT VoIP Solution
- Available packages: 196BGA and 256BGA
- Pricing starting at $6.49 10K SRP
Freescale Display Enabled Products

Power Architecture MCU Products (MPC560xS)
DCU Features

- 16 Layers
- 4 planes
- Frame buffer limited by memory size (all memories, RAM, ROM INT, EXT)
- Target size WVGA (Limited by memory bandwidth and pixel clock speed)
- Support 16, 24, 32 bit color depth.
- Support 1, 2, 4, 8bpp indirect color mode
- Support TFT type LCD with 16, 18, 24bit wide digital RGB interface
- Alpha blend (per pixel and per layer in 4 planes)
- Chroma key (range per RGB component in 4 planes)
- Combined alpha blend and chroma key modes
- Font mode blending (transparency mode/alpha map)
- Highlight area mode. (luminance offset)
- Tile mode
- Digital video input
- Safety mode support
- Hardware cursor
DCU (MPC56xxS Main Display Port)

- Layer CD
- DCU registers
- CLUT
- Tile memory
- Gamma correction table
- Hardware cursor

Memory mapped register area

- DMA
  - Foreground plane FIFO
  - Foreground Plane FIFO
  - Foreground plane FIFO
  - Background Plane FIFO

Format converter

24bpp

Blend/Chr key

Gamma correction

Display drive

RSDS or Dig RGB

- 24bpp
- 12bit

System CLK 64MHz

Ext. Video Sync

Ext. Video CLK

PDI

CLK manager

Signature calculator X 1

CRC result output

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Layer priority is fixed.

Layers arbitrate for 4 planes on per pixel basis.

The active layer that has the highest priority loads in the foreground plane 1, the next loads in foreground plane 2 etc.…

If no layer qualifies for the BG plane the BG color is loaded in the BG plane
MPC5606S – Single chip cluster example

- LEDs
- 6 Stepper Motor Drivers with patented stall detection
- GP I/O
- 2x CAN
- 2x LIN
- PWMs
- QuadSPI
- 48kb RAM
- EEPROM
- 160kb RAM
- 1MB FLASH
- 40x4 LCD seg driver
- DCU
- PDI
- Serial Flash
- TFT DISPLAY

DCU on MPC5606S enables direct drive of Quarter VGA and WQVGA.

PDI allows cheap video input (no buffer) eg to display reversing camera image on dashboard TFT.

SEE “MPC5606S” DEMO ON YouTube
Freescale Display Enabled Products

Power Architecture MPU Products
(mobileGT, MPC8610 and QorIQ)
Flexible DIU Blending

3-plane blend
- All planes fetched and blended at refresh rate and sent to display

N-plane blend
- Plane 1 is fetched at refresh rates and sent to display
- Iterative blends of planes 2 and 3 used to construct future plane 1 to be displayed
Area descriptors (AD) defines areas of interest (AOI) on a plane
- Each AOI has its own independent definition specified by the AD
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DIU Pixel Conversion

8/16/24/32-Bit Pixel Input
(can vary per AOI within planes)

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24-Bit Pixel Output

Red   Green   Blue
## MPC52xx/512x Family

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► Dual 10/100BT Ethernet for bridging solutions
► Display interface supporting WXGA / 720p, 24-bit color
► Rich set of connectivity
  • 10x Flexible PSC (SPI, UART, AC’97, I²S, Multi-Ch TDM)
  • 4x CAN2.0 A/B, data rates in excess of 1Mbs
  • 2x High Speed USB 2.0 Host/Device/On-The-Go
  • 2x SDHC (MMC, SD, SDIO expansion)
► Cost-effective / low-power memory systems support
  • Bootable NAND flash interface
    - ECC corrects up to 32 errors (beyond MLC support)
    - Pipelined multi-access/correction/DMA operation
    - Robust booting with x4 redundant boot image scheme
  • DRAM interface (high-bandwidth, low-latency)
    - 32/16-bit DDR2 and 32-bit SDR support (low-cost)
    - 32/16-bit MobileDDR support (low-power)
► Low-Power
  • Total system power is typically <1W @400MHz
  • Hibernation power down mode <25uW

- 800 DMIPS @ 400 MHz
- Packages: 324 PBGA, 23x23mm, 1mm pitch
- In production (industrial/consumer)
- Documentation available on request
- ADS5125 development board $1999
- TWR-MPC5125 dev system $119 / KIT $169
- Price: $10.95 @ 10Ku
Robust high-performance Power Architecture™ display solution at a low-cost/power-efficient point with full OS and middleware support.

► Display / processing support
  • Display interface supporting WXGA / 720p, 24-bit color
  • Audio / Intelligent DMA acceleration, DSP-C programmable
  • OpenGL / OpenVG graphics acceleration (MPC5121e)
  • ITU-656 video input

► Rich set of connectivity
  • 12x Flexible PSC (SPI, UART, AC’97, I²S, Multi-Ch TDM)
  • 4x CAN2.0 A/B, supports data rates in excess of 1Mbs
  • 2x High Speed USB 2.0 with 1x PHY Host/Device/On-The-Go
  • 1x SDHC (MMC, SD, SDIO expansion)
  • 66MHz PCI-2.3 expansion

► Cost-effective / low-power memory system support
  • Bootable NAND flash interface
    - ECC corrects up to 4 errors (MLC support)
    - Pipelined access/correction operating at NAND speeds
    - Bootable interface
  • DRAM interface (high-bandwidth, low-latency)
    - 32/16-bit DDR2 support (low-cost)
    - 32/16-bit MobileDDR support (low-power)

► Low-Power
  • Total system power is typically <1.5W @400MHz
  • Hibernation power-down mode <25uW

MPC5121e / MPC5123

- 800 DMIPS @ 400 MHz
- Packages: 516 PBGA, 27x27mm, 1mm pitch
- In production (industrial/consumer)
- Documentation available on Freescale website
- ADS512101 development board $1999
- TWR-MPC5121 dev system $139 / KIT $189
- Price: $23.24(5121e) / $22.08(5123) @ 10Ku

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Developed for unified memory embedded systems
- Unnecessary pixel processing is removed early in the rendering process
- Memory intensive pixel processing is confined to a small on chip tile memory

Benefit
- Greatly reduces power and memory bandwidth
- Enables more efficient scalability to higher frame resolutions
General Applications:
Robotic Vision, Point-of-sale terminals, Printers, Military/Aerospace, Single-Board Computers

e600 CPU:
667 MHz – 1.33 GHz e600 CPU
AltiVec vector processor for image processing
256 KB on-chip L2 Cache

Interfaces:
DDR/DDR2 controller, 64 or 32-bit, 400-533 MHz
LCD Controller, 24 bit/pixel, 60 Hz refresh
- SXGA 1280x1024, XGA 1024x768, QVGA 320x240, WVGA 854x480, SVGA 800x600, VGA 640x480
PCI-Express x 2 ports (x1/x2/x4/x8 and x1/x2/x4)
PCI 2.2, 32-bit, 33/66 MHz
I2C x 2, GPIO x 32 (16 dedicated, 16 multiplexed)
UART x 4ch, 115 kb/s
IrDA x 2ch FIR/SIR, 4 Mb/s
DMA 2 x 4ch, Watch dog timer
SPI
Machine Check external interrupt pin
Local bus, 32-bit, up to 133 MHz

Power, Package, Technology, Schedule:
15W max at 1066 MHz, 105C, 0.95V → fanless
11.5W max at 667 MHz, 105C, 0.95V → fanless
783 PBGA CMOS90SOI NodeC → 6-layer board
Rev 1.0 Samples 2Q07, Production 1Q08
QorIQ™ P1022/13 Processor

► Scalable Processing Performance
  • Single/Dual e500v2r5
  • Up to 1.067GHz operation
  • High Speed DDR2 and DDR3 (667MHz)
  • HW math and secure networking acceleration

► Low System Cost
  • Integrated system peripherals
    • Dual USB 2.0 SD/MMC
    • Dual SATA Dual Gigabit Ethernet
    • LCD Audio /VoIP TDM
  • Low cost 6 layer PCB layout

► High Speed Serial Interconnect
  • 3 PCI Express Controller (6 lanes)
  • High Speed SPI
  • SGMII

► Green Energy Operation
  • Fanless dynamic <2.75W core power
    (dual core 1GHz + logic, typ., est.)
  • Packetlossless deepsleep for EnergyStar™ support
    • <200mW deepsleep @35C (typ., est.)
    • Programmable wake-on-packet ;
    • Wake-on-timer/GPIO/USB/IRQ

► Process & Package
  • 45nm, 1.0V+/50mV
  • 689 pin TePBGAII
Freescale Display Enabled Products

ARM® MPU i.MX Products
Freescale Applications Processor Value Proposition

► Performance (MHz & Memory Efficiency)

► Low Power (Audio < 18 mW system, HD720 Video < 250 mW)

► State of the art Audio, Video, Graphics and Codecs

► Consistent and scalable architecture

► Complete OS/SW platform

► Mixed signal integration
Specifications
CPU: ARM1136JF-S, 400/532 MHz
Process: CMOS90LP
Core Voltage 1.22-1.47V@400MHz, -40/85C, TBD@532 MHz
Package: 400 ball 0.8mm BGA

i.MX35 Value Proposition
Same high performance CPU complex as i.MX31
Enhancements from the i.MX31
- IPU - Image Processing Unit supporting 24-bit WVGA
- OpenVG vector graphics processor (i.MX356)
- Enhanced Audio Peripherals – Multi-channel audio, S/PDIF, sample rate conversion
- Flexible Memory Support
  - SDRAM 16/32 bit, 133 MHz
  - DDR2 16/32 bit, 266MHz
  - SLC/MLC NAND
- Connectivity enhancements
  - CAN (x2) and MLB (MOST)
  - USB PHY integration
  - 10/100 Ethernet

Connectivity
2 x CSPI
2 x SSI/FS
ESAI
3 x I2C
3 x UART
USB HS Host
FS-PHY or ULPI
USB HS OTG w/ HS-PHY
S/PDIF I/O
2 x FlexCAN
MLB
Ethernet
1-Wire
2 x SDIO/MMC
SDIO/MMC
CE-ATA

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i.MX35 Enabling an Efficient and Rich UI

- Low platform cost impact from graphics
  - Graphics hardware should not significantly add to platform cost beyond the added value
- Simple driver layer
  - Small memory footprint
  - Low CPU impact
  - Easy integration
- Low power consumption
- Easily approachable development path
- Ability to utilize legacy content
- Easy-to-integrate UI software layer
## Specifications:

- **CPU:** Cortex A8, up to 800MHz
- **Process:** 65nm, LP/GP
- **Core Voltage:** 0.8-1.15V
- **Package:** 19x19 0.8mm
- **Temp Range:** -20 to 70°C (consumer), -40 to 85°C (industrial), -40 to 85°C (Auto)

* See Datasheet for case/junction temperatures

## Key i.MX515 Features and Advantages

- High performance CPU: Cortex A8
- Low power multimedia
- Delivers rich graphics and UI in HW
  - OpenGL ES 2.0 3D accelerator (AMD Z430)
  - OpenVG 1.1 graphics accelerator (AMD Z160)
  - Neon Vector floating point co-processor
  - Display up to WXGA
- Drives high resolution video in HW
  - Multi-format D1 video encode
  - Multi-format HD720 video decode
- Mixed signal integration - HD720 TV out and high speed USB with embedded PHY

## Available Parts

- i.MX512, i.MX513, i.MX514, i.MX515, i.MX516

## Availability:

- **Market:** Consumer, Industrial & Auto
- **Sample:** Now
- **Production:** Now (C), April ’10 (A), May 10 (I)
i.MX51 Graphics

► **Native OpenGL ES 2.0** 3D based on ATI/AMD Unified Shader Architecture
  - Same architecture and same content tools as in *Xbox 360* and AMD’s PC graphics chips
  - Licensed by several industry leaders, providing for a strong foundation for a content creation ecosystem
  - Binning architecture provides for low memory/power requirements
  - 27 M triangles / sec
  - 166 M pixels / sec raw performance (1 pixel / clock)
    - 500 M pixels / sec (effective w/ 3x overdraw)

► **A native OpenVG 1.1** 2D hardware implementation
  - Driving high-quality UIs and Flash based internet browsing with extremely low power consumption
  - Free 16x antialiasing for very high-quality fonts and graphics
  - Capable of delivering a full 3D user interface experience beyond anything on the market today with a fraction of the power consumption compared to any other solution
  - 166 M pixels / sec raw performance (1 pixel / clock)
i.MX51 Applications Processor

- System Control:
  - Cortex A8 ARM-based CPU
- Timers:
  - SIMD/Neon
- Memory:
  - Vector Floating Point Unit
  - Video Processing Unit
- Security:
  - Image Processing Unit
  - 2D Graphics
  - 3D Graphics

Video Processing Unit:
- Multi-standard video playback/record
- Video telephony
- Video transcoding
- YouTube, Skype, Hulu
**Key Features and Advantages**

- 454MHz ARM926EJ-S core
- Based on Sigmatel IP platform
- PMU with high efficiency on-chip DC/DC with 4.2V output, supports Li-Ion batteries
- LCD Controller with Touchscreen
- 1.5W Mono speaker amplifier
- Stereo headphone DAC w/ 99dB SNR & Stereo ADC w/ 85 dB SNR with integrated amplifiers
- NAND support – SLC/MLC and managed
- Hardware BCH (up to 20-bit correction) and RS ECC8 for current and future MLC NAND support
- DDR1 Support with integrated 2.5V regulator
- High speed USB with embedded PHY

**Package and Temperature**

- 169fpBGA 11x11mm .8mm
- 128LQFP 14x14mm
- -10 to +70C (Consumer)
- -40C to +85C (Industrial)
PiXel Pipeline

- Bi-linear YUV/YCbCr scaling and color space conversion, rotation
- Multiple graphic overlays (BITBLT) with concurrent alpha blending and color keying
- Processes 8x8 blocks, and linked commands
Display Controller (LCDIF)

- Up to 24-bit DOTCLK, system-mode, VSYNC with programmable timings.
- On-the-fly RGB->YCbCr 4:2:2 for ITU-R/BT.656 DV interface (with interlacing)
- Rich support for RGB formats including pixel packing and swizzling.
- 128-pixel FIFO provides robustness for up to VGA resolution at 60Hz.
- AXI Master for efficiency
- Direct internal connection to TVE
Key Features and Advantages

- 400MHz ARM926EJ-S™
- 16KB L1 I-Cache, 16KB L1 D-Cache
- 128KB on-chip SRAM for low power LCD refresh
- External memory interface supports DDR2, mDDR, or SDRAM up to 133MHz, 16-bit data bus
- Supports off-chip NAND or NOR Flash
- 10/100 Ethernet MAC with RMII support
- USB 2.0 OTG 480Mbps with high-speed PHY
- USB 2.0 Host 480Mbps with full-speed PHY or ULPI
- Two CAN interfaces
- Two Smartcard interfaces
- SDIO interface for external Wi-Fi module
- VGA (640x480) LCD controller
- Resistive touchscreen controller
- CMOS sensor interface
- P-ATA for external CD connection or HDD
- CE-ATA and SD/MMC+ for external storage
- Enhanced serial audio interface
- 3 general purpose 12-bit ADC channels
- UART’s, CSPI’s, I2C, I2S
- Enhanced security features, including tamper detection for voltage, frequency and temperature
- High-Assurance Boot (HAB)
- 3.3V I/O reduces external component count

Available Parts

- i.MX251, i.MX255, i.MX253, i.MX257, i.MX258

Package and Temperature

- 0.8mm, 400-pin MAPBGA
- -20C to +70C, -40C to +85C temperature options
- AEC-Q100 Grade3 Qualification
Specifications:
- CPU: ARM926EJ-S, 400MHz
- Process: 90nm
- Core Voltage: 1.2-1.5V

Key i.MX27 Features and Advantages
- 16 KB L1 I-Cache and D-Cache
- 16-channel DMA
- Multi-standard video codecs at D1 resolution (i.MX27 only)
  - Video pre- and post-processing, scaling
- Security
  - Crypto Accelerator
  - Security controller with encrypted RAM storage
  - Electronically blown fuse box
  - High-assurance boot
- Real-time OS/SW integrity checker
- Dynamic Process temperature Compensation (DPTC)
- Connectivity
  - Ethernet 802.3 MAC
  - USB 2.0 OTG 480Mbps
  - USB 2.0 Host 12Mbps, USB 2.0 Host 480Mbps
  - PCMCIA/CF, Audio MUX
  - MMC, SD, IrDA, 8x8 keypad, CMOS sensor interface
  - ATA-6, Memory Stick (i.MX27 only)

Availability:
- Package types
  - 404-ball, 17x17, MAPBGA, 0.65mm pitch
  - 473-ball, 19 x 19, MAPBGA, 0.8mm pitch,
    - Extended temp -40 to 85C & qual’d for greater than 10 years
      operating life at 100% duty cycle
Specifications:
- CPU: ARM1136, 532MHz, 400 MHz Auto
- Process: 90nm
- Core Voltage: 1.2-1.6V

Key i.MX31 Features and Advantages:
- ARM1136 with 128 KB L2 Cache
- Integrated 3D graphics processor
  - Eliminates 2 chip solution
- Integrated HW Image Processing Unit (IPU)
  - CMOS/CCD Interface
  - Resize, CSC, Deblock, Dering, Blending
- Vector Floating Point Co-Processor (VFP)
- Smart DMA RISC-based DMA controller
- Connectivity
  - WLAN, BT, GPS via external chipset
  - HS USB, ATA-6, MMC/SDIO, MS-Pro, Compact Flash
  - 266MHz Mobile DDR, NAND/NOR, Mobile SDRAM, SRAM
- Scale - shipped multi-million units
- Breadth – design wins in PMP, PND, Cellular, IP Telephony, POS terminals

Availability:
- Shipping Now
- Package types
  - 14x14 MAPBGA 0.5mm pitch
  - 19x19 MAPBGA 0.8mm pitch
- 2007 10K re-sale pricing $16.69 - $24.86
Video Processing Implementation

Performed by:
- Camera (Image Signal Processing) (or ARM11 SW)
- Image Processing Unit in i.MX31
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Active Matrix –

Analog Resistive Touch Panel - This touch panel is comprised of two transparent resistive layers, separated by small spacers. Touching the screen causes the two layers to come in contact and form a switch closure. By measuring the voltage gradient in the horizontal and vertical axis, position can be determined.

COB – Chip on Board. The LCD driver is epoxied onto the PCB and wire bonds are installed for connections to the IC. The chip plus bonding wires are covered with black epoxy as a seal.

COG – Chip on Glass. Method of bonding driver integrated circuits (ICs) directly to the edges of active matrix liquid crystal displays (LCDs) for smaller packages, higher quality, and improved ruggedness. The driver IC is mounted upside down (flip chip) eliminating bond wires and interconnects. Reliability is improved due to reduction in interconnects.

COF – Chip on Flex. The LCD driver is incorporated into a flex connector, which is attached by a heat seal method to the contact edge of the LCD glass.

CSTN - Color Super Twisted Nematic. A passive matrix display technology used to produce low cost color displays without resorting to TFT manufacturing technology. Color STN Technology is actually STN technology that uses a white backlight and color filters to produce the hues required for a color display. Each visual pixel of a CSTN display is actually 3 separate pixels using a colored filter of Red, Green, and Blue. Each of those colors is controlled individually by the graphic controller chip. So actually a 320 by 240 pixel CSTN display contains 960 by 240 individually colored pixels.

Dot Matrix /Graphic Display- A display made up of an array of pixel elements in a matrix. Also called “graphic display”. Can be used to display graphics, pictures and text.

Driver - Voltage IC mounted on the display, which provides the voltage to each row and column (do not confuse with the controller IC).

Controller: An IC, usually mounted in the graphics board, which takes the microprocessor output and tells the display which pixels to light up to produce the image requested.

Direct Drive: Direct electrical contact from the microprocessor or controller to each pixel on a display. Used in simple glass displays with a few segments and icons, like a thermostat or digital meter. Also known as Static Drive.

EL Backlight - A type of backlight using electroluminescent material. The thinnest available backlight. Electroluminescent can also be a type of display. Provides uniform light distribution over the active area. Requires an inverter to provide 90VAC at 400Hz. Low power consumption.

Emissive - A direct-view display, such as cathode ray tube (CRT), field emission display (FED), plasma, electroluminescent (EL), and organic light emitting diode (OLED), where the light generation, switching, and coloring are all done at once by the display. These displays do not need a separate backlight to provide light for the image.

FSTN - Film Super Twist Nematic display. STN display with a film layer to improve contrast and viewing angle. This film also changes the display “on” color from blue to black.
LCD - Active matrix liquid crystal display (LCD). A display technology that uses a switch at each pixel to create high resolution and fast response times. One type of LCD in which the switch used is a thin film transistor (TFT), is known as a TFT-LCD. Displays based on this technology range from as small as 1” diagonal up to 40” diagonal.

LCD Module - A thin film transistor-passive or active matrix liquid crystal display (TFT-LCD) that contains all components, including backlight and driver integrated circuits (ICs), and is ready to be integrated into an end product such as a TV, monitor, notebook PC, or other device. This term is often used interchangeably with LCD panel.

LCD Panel - A thin film transistor-passive or active matrix liquid crystal display (TFT-LCD) that includes the array, color filter, and liquid crystal. May also include a backlight and driver integrated circuits (ICs), but sometimes is used to refer to just the glass-liquid crystal composite. Often used interchangeably with LCD module.

LED Backlights - LEDs are becoming the most popular type of backlight because they do not require an inverter, and they have a longer lifetime than EL or CCFL. Character modules and small graphic modules use yellow-green LEDs because they are lowest in cost and have the longest life. Monochrome FSTN and color modules require white LEDs, which are becoming lower in cost and longer in lifetime.

Mother Glass – similar to silicon wafers, LCD factories are designed with equipment sets for specific mother glass size

MTBF - Mean Time Between Failures. This is the lifetime of the component or the system. System lifetime can be calculated from the lifetime of the individual components and the number of interconnects. Lifetime is usually expressed in hours. For LCDs, the lifetime is determined by the backlight. EL panels are the lowest, yellow-green LEDs are the highest.

Multiplex - Method of sharing rows or columns of pixels on a display to reduce the number of connections to the driver or controller. As the display resolution increases, the multiplex rate must increase to allow all of the individual pixels to be addressed.

OLED - Organic light emitting diode (OLED), an emissive flat panel display that uses organic compounds to emit light. OLEDs can be passive or active matrix. Passive matrix devices are easier to make, but not capable of full color or high resolution. Currently, active matrix devices use a poly-crystalline silicon thin film transistor (TFT) array, similar to low temperature poly-crystalline silicon (LTPS) active matrix liquid crystal displays (LCDs). There has been limited production to date because of short product lifetimes and differential aging rates of the OLED materials. This is also known as Organic EL.

NTSC - National Television Standard Committee. International television standard which uses 525 lines per frame at 60Hz field rate.

PAL - Phase Alternation Line. International television standard which uses 625 lines per frame at 50Hz field rate.

Polarizer - This is a material that selectively transmits light with a given polarization. Polarizers are critical in the operation of most active matrix liquid crystal displays (LCDs), as the liquid crystal manipulates polarized light. A twisted-nematic (TN) LCD typically has polarizers on both sides of the LCD cell.
Reflective - A display without a backlight. Reflective displays rely on ambient light to provide the image. Excellent for outdoors or bright light conditions. Most digital watches and calculators use reflective LCDs, although some color versions have been developed for mobile phones and PDAs. See also Emissive, Transmissive, and Projection. Emerging reflective technologies include Electrophoretic (made by E Ink and others), electrochromic (made by NTERA and others), and microelectromechanical systems (MEMS)-based (made by Iridigm and others).

Refresh Rate - The time interval required for the electronics to fully address a display. This rate determines the capability of the display to show video images.

Resolution - The number of pixels available for information display. More pixels (higher resolution) enables finer details to be displayed and generally results in a better image quality.

Segment - A single active area in the segmented displays (as opposed to the background area).

STN - Super Twisted Nematic. A type of high-performance passive matrix display used to improve optical properties at high multiplex rates. Method is to increase the twist angle in the LCD construction from the 90 degrees used in TN to a much higher twist (270 degrees or more). Hence the nickname “super twist”. Used exclusively in character modules and graphic modules, including Color STN.

TAB Tape Automated Bonding - The LCD driver / controller is encapsulated in a bubble on a flex circuit. The flex is attached directly to the glass or a PCB.

TFT - Thin-film transistor (TFT). Electronic technology upon which active matrix liquid crystal displays (LCDs) are based. Each pixel is driven by a separate IC gate to speed the response time and improve the optics. The foundation of the TFT is a semiconductor layer (typically based on silicon) which can switch current flow on or off by the application of an electric field. The IC gates are deposited directly onto the LCD glass substrate in a combination of wafer fabrication and glass assembly.


Touch Panel Controller - The hardware element that translates the information between the touch panel and the host system.

Touchscreen - A transparent glass or hard plastic sheet that mounts over the display viewing area and allows users to make a choice and input via touching the screen.

Transreflective - A display that combines reflective and transmissive qualities. In dark ambient light environments, the backlight can be used to provide light for the display. In bright ambient light environments, the backlight can be switched off and the display used in reflective mode to save battery life. Most often used in PDAs and mobile phones. Good in sunlight and outdoor applications. Contrast ratio and brightness are decreased compared to transmissive type.

Transmissive - A display that uses a backlight shining through the LCD to produce the image. Good in regular or dim lighting. Not for use in sunshine. Ambient light interferes with the backlight, and "washes out" the display image. The light is created by a CCFL or light emitting diode (LED) backlight, the switching is provided by the thin film transistor (TFT) array, and the color is provided by the color filter.
► TSTN - Triple Super Twist Nematic. Sharp name for film compensated super twist display which uses a retardation film to correct the color shift in STN displays, and so produces a black and white image.

► Viewing Angle - The angle at which the viewer must be in comparison to the screen, in order to see the image on a display. For example, a 0° horizontal viewing angle is directly in front of the display and a 90° horizontal viewing angle is directly to the side. Emissive displays show the same brightness and color regardless of viewing angle, however, rear projection displays and transmissive displays can show some differences in color, brightness, and gray scale, with the most difference being noticed at the steepest viewing angles.

► VFD - Vacuum Fluorescent Display.

► Zebra Strip - Conductive rubber strip, also called Elastomer, used to connect the contacts on the glass display to the printed circuit board of a LCD character module. Also use in low resolution graphic modules. Electrical contact is made by compression with the bezel frame.
**Viewing Modes**

**REFLECTIVE LCD**
A reflector is bonded to the rear polarizer. This mirror-like polarizer reflects the incoming ambient light. Used in thermostats and calculators. Best performance in direct sunlight.

**TRANSFLECTIVE LCD**
A porous reflector is bonded to the rear polarizer. This polarizer reflects the ambient light as well as allowing light to pass through the rear of the polarizer. Good performance indoors & outdoors.

**TRANSMISSIVE LCD**
This viewing mode has neither a reflective or transflective rear polarizer. A backlight is required to view this module. Not suitable for outdoor operation. Usually operates in negative mode.
 Active elements when energized appear dark in color against a light background non-energized (Transflective Positive)

POSITIVE Type “+” Reflective & Transflective

ACTIVE elements when energized appear light in color against a dark background non energized (Transmissive Negative)

NEGATIVE Type “-” Transmissive

The viewing area is in the off state. This is achieved by having both the front and rear polarizers in the same axis. In this mode light passes through the energized area. (A backlight is required)
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Fluid Types

- **TN = Twisted Nematic:** Used in segment displays and icon displays with low multiplex rates.

- **STN = Super Twist Nematic:** Character modules, first generation graphic modules. Improved optics over TN.

- **FSTN = Film Super Twist Nematic:** Uses film layer over STN to double viewing angles and increase contrast 3X in monochrome graphic modules.

- **CSTN = Color Super Twist Nematic:** Passive color. Uses filters to produce color. Low cost color solution.

- **TFT = Thin Film Technology = Active Matrix:** Marriage of semiconductor and LCD technology to add individual drivers for each pixel right on the glass. Dramatic increase in contrast, viewing angles, and response time.

- **OLED = ??**
The orientation of the LCD display is often stated with reference to a clock face. If the LCD is best viewed from above the horizontal, it is referred to as a "12:00" or top view.

If the LCD is best viewed from below the horizontal, it is referred to as a “6:00" view.