

STM8-TOUCH-LIB

STM8 touch sensing library

Data brief

Features

- Complete C source code library with firmware examples for all STM8 microcontrollers
- Both resistor-capacitor (RC) and charge transfer (CT) acquisition principles supported
- Multifunction capability to combine capacitive sensing functions with traditional MCU features (communications, LED/beeper/ LCD control)
- Configuration of STM8 GPIO as touchkey
- Flexible touchkey/wheel/slider configuration and combination
 - RC acquisition: up to 24 keys and 2 wheels/sliders supported
 - CT acquisition: up to 16 keys and 2 wheels/sliders supported
- Acquisition, filtering and calibration functions
- Enhanced processing features for optimized sensitivity and immunity
- Touch-sensing user interface through firmware API for status reporting and application configuration
- MCU resources
 - Minimized number of external components
 - Reduced MCU memory space
- Up to 8-bit wheel/slider resolution with only three capacitive sensing channels
- Active shield feature
- Compliance with MISRA
- Compliance with Cosmic, IAR and Raisonance C compilers

Description

STMicroelectronics STM8-TOUCH-LIB is a touch sensing library that provides a complete robust free source-code solution to transform any 8-bit STM8 microcontroller into a capacitive touch sensing controller. This solution allows designers familiar with the use of standard microcontrollers to create higher-end human interfaces by replacing conventional electromechanical switches by touch sensing keys.

The STM8 touch sensing library is part of the application firmware. It allows combining various capacitive sensing touchkey, wheels or sliders with traditional MCU features (communications, control of LEDs, beeper or LCD) in the same application.

Two acquisition principles, RC and CT, are available and can be configured at compiling level. Both acquisition principles offer the same advanced processing algorithms to filter out noise and to compensate environmental parameters such as temperature, humidity, and power supply variation.

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1 Resistor-capacitor (RC) acquisition principle

The RC acquisition principle consists in measuring the charge and discharge time duration of a RC cell made of the electrode capacitance (C_X) and a load resistor (R_I).

The RC acquisition is supported by all STM8S and STM8L microcontrollers and requires a direct connection of the device to earth to operate properly.

The main features are the following:

- Up to 24 touchkeys distributed over 3 GPIO ports
- Up to 2 wheels or sliders with 2 different hardware implementations (5 or 8 capacitive sensing channels)
- Capacitive sensing channels are acquired sequentially

2 Charge transfer (CT) acquisition principle

The charge transfer acquisition consists in charging the electrode capacitance (C_X) and transferring part of the accumulated charge into a sampling capacitor (C_S). This sequence is repeated until the voltage across C_S reaches a given threshold. The number of transfers required to reach the threshold depends on the size of the electrode capacitance. This acquisition principle provides a better sensitivity and robustness than RC acquisition.

It requires a dedicated hardware composed of analog switches and STM8L MCU.

The charge transfer acquisition is only supported by STM8L101x and STM8L15x devices since it requires a dedicated hardware composed of analog switches used to interconnect several GPIOs which is only available on these products.

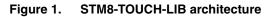
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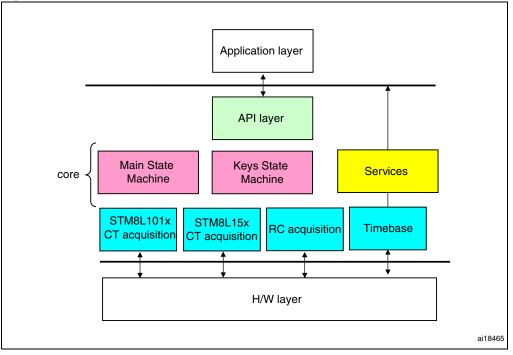
- Number touchkeys supported
 - Up to 6 touchkeys on STM8L101x MCUs
 - Up to 16 touchkeys on STM8L15x MCUs
- Up to 2 wheels or sliders with a single hardware implementation (3 capacitive sensing channels)
- Number of capacitive sensing channels acquired simultaneously
 - Up to 2 channels on STM8L101x MCUs
 - Up to 8 channels on STM8L15x MCUs



3 Library architecture

Figure 1 shows the STM8-TOUCH-LIB firmware layers.







4 MCU resources

Table 1 shows the STM8 peripherals that are used by the STM8-TOUCH-LIB. Care must be taken when using them to avoid any misbehavior.

Peripheral	Function	Acquisition principle			
GPIOs	I/O control	RC, CT			
16-bit timer with 8-bit prescaler (TIM2 or TIM3)	V _{IH} /V _{IL} measurement	RC			
8-bit timer (TIM4)	Generic timebase for the state machine	RC, CT			
Comparator (COMP)	Charge transfer	СТ			
Routing interface (RI)	I/O control and charge transfer	СТ			

 Table 1.
 List of STM8 peripherals used by the STM8-TOUCH-LIB

4.1 Number of charge transfer capacitive sensing channels

Table 2 and *Table 3* provide the maximum number of charge-transfer capacitive sensing channels for the STM8L101x and STM8L15x package, respectively.

u		TSSOP20 / UFQFPN20					WFQFP	N28	VFQFPN32 / LQFP32												
Acquisition group	I/O port	TSSOP pin	UFQFPN pin	Number of available pins	Usage	Pin	Number of available pins	Usage	Pin	Number of available pins	Usage										
	PB0	10	7		2	12		3	13		3										
Group		channels with one	13	4	channels with one	14	4	channels with one													
1	PD0	9	6	5	sampling	8	4	sampling capacitor	9	4	sampling capacitor										
	PD1	-	-		capacitor	9			10												
	PB2	12	9		1 channel	14		3	15		3										
Group	PB3	13	10	2	with one	15	4	channels with one	16	4	channels with one										
2	PD2	-	-	2	2	S	2	2	2	2	_	2	2	2	sampling capacitor	10	4	sampling	11	4	sampling
	PD3	Capacitor	11		capacitor	12		capacitor													
Maximum number 3 of channels with 2 sampling capacitors					6 with 2 sam capacite			6 with 2 san capacit													

Table 2. STM8L101x resources used for CT acquisition



			STM8L151 (no LCD)									STM8L152 (with LCD)					
group	÷		WFQFP	N28	WFQFPN32 / LQFP32		v	FQFPN48/	LQFP48	w	FQFPN32 /	LQFP32	VFQFPN48 / LQFP48				
Acquisition group	I/O port	Pin	Number of available pins	Usage	Pin	Number of available pins	Usage	Pin	Number of available pins	Usage	Pin	Number of available pins	Usage	Pin	Number of available pins	Usage	
	PA6	-		1 channel	6		2 channels	7		2 channels	6		2 channels with 1 sampling capacitor	7		2 channels	
Group 1	PA5 PA4	5 4	2	with 1 sampling capacitor	5 4	3	with 1 sampling capacitor	6 5	3	with 1 sampling capacitor	5 4	3		6 5	3	with 1 sampling capacitor	
	PC7	-		capacitor	-		capacitor	46		capacitor	-		capacitor	46		capacitor	
Group	DC4 2		2	1 channel with 1	- 29	2	1 channel with 1	43	3	2 channels 2 with 1 9 sampling capacitor 2	2	1 channel with 1	43	3	2 channels with 1		
2	PC3	2 4		sampling capacitor	28		sampling capacitor	42			2 8		sampling capacitor	42		sampling capacitor	
	PC2	2 3		cannot	27		2	41		2	2 7		2	41		2	
Group 3	PD7	-	1	be used	24	3	channels	36	channels 3 with 1 sampling	2 4	channels 3 with 1 sampling	36	3	channels with 1 sampling			
	PD6	-		sensing	23		capacitor	35		capacitor	2 3		capacitor	35		capacitor	
	PD5 -		1	22		2	34		2	2 2		2	34		2		
Group 4	PD4	2 0	2	channel with 1 sampling	21	3 with	channels with 1 sampling	33	3 w	channels with 1 sampling	2 1 3	3	3 with 1 sampling capacitor	33	3	channels with 1 sampling capacitor	
	PB7	1 9		capacitor	20		capacitor	31		capacitor	2 0			31			
	PB6	PB6 1 8		2 channels with 1 sampling	19	3	2 channels with 1 sampling	30		1 2	2 channels	30	-	2 channels			
Group 5	PB5	1 7	3		18			29	3	channels with 1 sampling	1 8	3 with 1 sampling	29	3	with 1 sampling		
	PB4	1 6		capacitor	17		capacitor	28		capacitor	1 7		capacitor	28	3	capacitor	
	PB3	1 5		2 channels	16		2 channels	27		2 channels	1 6	3	2 channels	27		2 channels with 1 sampling capacitor	
Group 6	PB2	1 4	3	with 1 sampling capacitor	15	3	with 1 sampling capacitor	26	3	with 1 sampling capacitor	1 5		with 1 sampling capacitor	26			
	PB1	1 3		capacitor	14		capacitor	25		capacitor	1 4		capacitor	25		capacitor	
_	PB0	1 2		2 channels	13		2 channels	24		2 channels	1 3		2 channels	24	2 chann	2 channels	
Group 7	7 1	1	3	with 1 sampling	12	3	with 1 sampling	23	3	with 1 sampling capacitor	ng 2 or 1 1	3 with 1 sampling	23	3	with 1 sampling capacitor		
	PD2	1 0		capacitor	11		capacitor	22		σαρασιισί			capacitor	22		σαρασιισι	
Group	PD1	9	2	1 channel with 1 sampling capacitor	10	10 9 2	1 channel with 1 sampling capacitor	21	3	2 channels with 1 sampling capacitor	1 0	1 t	cannot be used for	21	3	2 channels with 1	
8	PD0 PE5	8	-		9			20 19	-		-		touch	20 19	-	sampling capacitor	
PE5 - Capacitor Maximum number of channels 10 channels with 7 sampling capacitors		nels npling		14 channels with 8 sampling capacitors			16 channels with 8 sampling capacitors		13 channels with 7 sampling capacitors			16 channels with 8 sampling capacitors					

Table 3. STM8L15x resources used for CT acquisition



5 Memory resources

The STM8-TOUCH-LIB size depends on the following parameters:

- Acquisition principle (RC or CT)
- C compiler and options: memory model, size or speed optimization
- Number of capacitive sensing channels used and type (touchkey or/and wheel or slider)

For further information on memory resources for RC and CT acquisition, refer to *Section 5.1*.

5.1 RC acquisition memory resources

Prerequisites

- COSMIC STM8 C Compiler 16-KByte version release 4.3.1 dated 02 July 2009
- Compiler options: +modsl0 +compact +split
- Sections counted for RAM: ZRAM_TSL_IO + ZRAM_TSL + ZRAM_TSLMCK + RAM_TSL_IO + RAM_TSL + RAM_TSLMCK
- Sections counted for ROM: CODE_TSL_IO + CONST_TSL_IO + CONST_TSL + CONST_TSLMCK + CODE_TSL + CODE_TSLMCK

RAM and ROM requirements

Table 4 gives the RAM and ROM memory space required to use the STM8-TOUCH-LIB for RC acquisition.

Configuration	RAM (bytes)	ROM (bytes)
STM8S207 5x single-channel keys	~120	~2350
STM8L101x 3x single-channel keys	~90	~2350

Table 4. Typical RAM and ROM memory space required for RC acquisition

5.2 CT acquisition memory resources

Prerequisites

- COSMIC STM8 C Compiler 16-Kbyte version release 4.3.1 dated 02 July 2009
- Compiler options: +modsl0 +compact +split
- Sections counted for RAM: ZRAM_TSL_IO + ZRAM_TSL + ZRAM_TSLMCK + RAM_TSL_IO + RAM_TSL + RAM_TSLMCK
- Sections counted for ROM: CODE_TSL_IO + CONST_TSL_IO + CONST_TSL + CONST_TSLMCK + CODE_TSL + CODE_TSLMCK



RAM and ROM requirements

Table 4 gives the RAM and ROM memory space required to use the STM8-TOUCH-LIB for CT acquisition.

Configuration	RAM (bytes)	ROM (bytes)
STM8L101x 3x single-channel keys	~90	~1800
STM8L15X 10x single-channel keys	~220	~1700
STM8L15X 10x single-channel keys + 1x multichannel key	~280	~4200

Table 5. Typical RAM and ROM memory space required for CT acquisition



6 Revision history

Table 6.Document revision history

Date	Revision	Changes
27-Sep-2010	1	Initial release.



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