HST Project S5

CircuitVoyager Pre1



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Abstract

Konzept (gestalterisch) Methode Wichtigste Ergebnisse

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1 Introduction

The goal of this project is to develop a tiny extension Board for the STM32H747i-Disco Board, to allow it to act as a DMM. Additionally, a SW, that measures the DMM Values and displays them on the Touch Display. If there's more time I could extend the Project with Measurement Logging via a SD-Card or over USB to a Desktop application.

I want to learn how to implement high speed protocols such as Mipi DSI or QPSI. Later in the last year of my apprenticeship I'd like to develop a whole DMM on my own, but with a different approach as standard ones like these from Fluke. For example, I want to make the DMM rechargeable and modernize it a bit.

To realize this project I'm going to use the following tools: Altium Designer, STM32-CubeIDE, LaTeX, TouchGFX.

Also I won't make a diary, because it's easier for me to write my findings down sorted by theme rather than date. But to keep the chronological order of the stuff I've done, there's a Journal in Chapter: [4.1].

1.1 "Lastenheft"

This is a request from the imaginary customer, I'm making this project for:

I need a prototype for a DMM, that can measure voltage, current, resistance and capacitance. The DMM should have a touchscreen that displays said values. The UI should be intuitive, so everyone who's ever used a DMM can use it to. Normal features as hold, minmax should be available and it would be great if you could fit in a power mode, where the DMM uses the voltage and current measurement to calculate the drawn power from the measured device. Because this project will only be used for the proof of concept, the DMM doesn't have to support mains voltage and we also won't need any safety circuits or AC measuring. It's mainly about the SW. So you can also use DevBoards if there are any available.

1.2 Mindmap



Figure 1.1: Project Mindmap

2 Main Body

2.1 "Pflichtenheft"

Cost

I've already bought two DevBoards one of them stays at TBZ and the other is at home. One of these boards was paid by Mr. Malacarne. Further expenses from the PCB will be paid by me and shouldn't exceed about 50 CHF, as the HW isn't that complicated.

Time

The most time of the project I will work at home because it's a rather big project to execute in one semester. I will also have much time in the fall holidays to work on it. The project will approximately take 100h to complete. Also the more detailed timeplan is in chapter: [4.3]

Tools

To realize this project I will mainly use, the SW STM32CubeIDE with HAL and Altium Designer. The documentation is written in LaTeX in VSCode. And I'm planning to order the PCB on JLCPCB and I will populate and reflow the PCB at ETHZ, where I'm also allowed to use the measurement equipment for the HW tests.

Technical Details

value	min.	typ.	max.	unit	description
supply voltage		5		V	

Table 2.1: Technical Details

2.2 Extension PCB

2.2.1 STMod+

Interface from DevBoard to Extension PCB.

- 5V Supply
- SPI
- I₂C
- ADC
- Interrupt
- PWM
- GPIOs

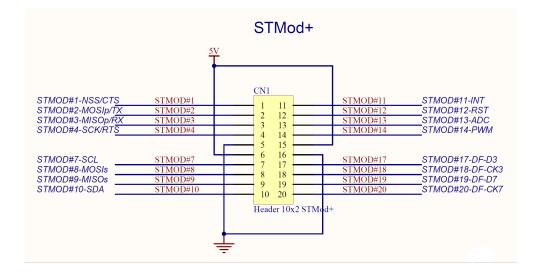


Figure 2.1: STMod+ Interface

2.2.2 Block Diagram

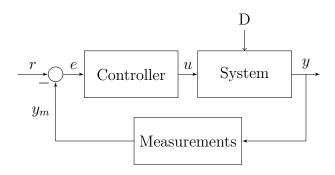


Figure 2.2: Extension PCB Block Diagram

3 Conclusion

Gesamtschau, Arbeitsergebnis, Gesamturteil, evtl. Ausblick, was ich lernen konnte

4 Appendix

4.1 Journal

Date	Location	Duration	Activity									
01.09.2023	TBZ	1.5h	Selected and bought DevBoard									
08.09.2023	TBZ	2h	Tested DevBoard with demos									
08.09.2023	TBZ	0.5h	Noted first ideas for DMM									
15.09.2023	TBZ	1.5h	Written and signed Project Agreement [4.2]									
21.09.2023	Home	3h	Created documentation template									
22.09.2023	TBZ	2h	Started writing Journal [4.1]									
24.09.2023	Home	1.5h	Made GANTT chart [4.3]									
27.09.2023	Home	2h	Written detailed planning and introduction									
29.09.2023	TBZ	1.5h	Added mindmap, Lasten-, Pflichtenheft									
06.10.2023	TBZ	1h	Started with block diagram (extension PCB)									

Table 4.1: Project Journal

4.2 Project Agreement

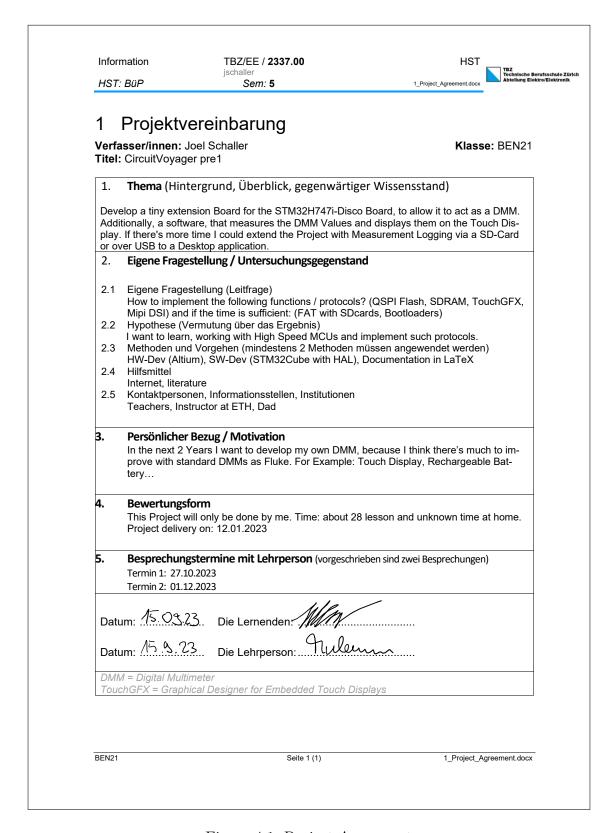


Figure 4.1: Project Agreement

4.3 GANTT Chart

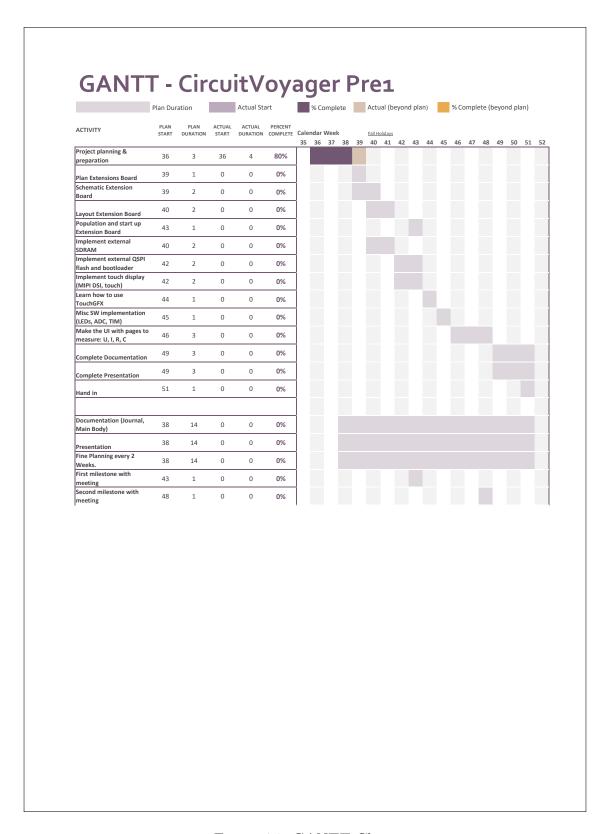


Figure 4.2: GANTT Chart

4.4 Weekly plans

4.4.1 KW39 & 40

- Write introduction
- Planning: Cost, Tools, When, Why
- Create project diagram (learning process)
- "Lastenheft"
- "Pflichtenheft"
- Make a HW-Digram for the Extension PCB.
- Make the schematic of the Extension PCB.
 - Part to measure voltage.
 - Part to measure current.
 - Part to measure resistance.
 - Part to measure capacitance.
 - Addressable LEDs.
- Start with the Layout of the Extension PCB.
- Reflection of the start of the project.

5 Credits

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Listings

Acronyms

CircuitVoyager The Name of the DMM I'm developing.

DevBoard main microcontroller developement board. (STM32H747I-Disco)

DMM digital multimeter

HW Hardware

SW Software

QPSI Quad SPI

SPI Serial Peripheral Interface (low level protocol)

SDRAM Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory (external RAM)

TouchGFX Graphical UI designer for STM32 MCUs

UI User Interface

MCU Micro Controlling Unit

Mipi DSI Digital Serial Interface (Display Protocol)

FAT File Allocation System (Low Level Filesystem)

HAL Hardware Abstraction Layer (STM32 Abstraction Library)

ETHZ Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule

TBZ Technische Berufsschule Zürich

ADC Analog Digital Converter

TIM Timer (Hardware Block in STM32)

PCB Printed Circuit Board