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Welcome!

Thank you for purchasing our *AZ-Delivery 1.3 inch OLED I2C Screen*. On the following pages, you will be introduced to how to use and set-up this handy device.

Have fun!

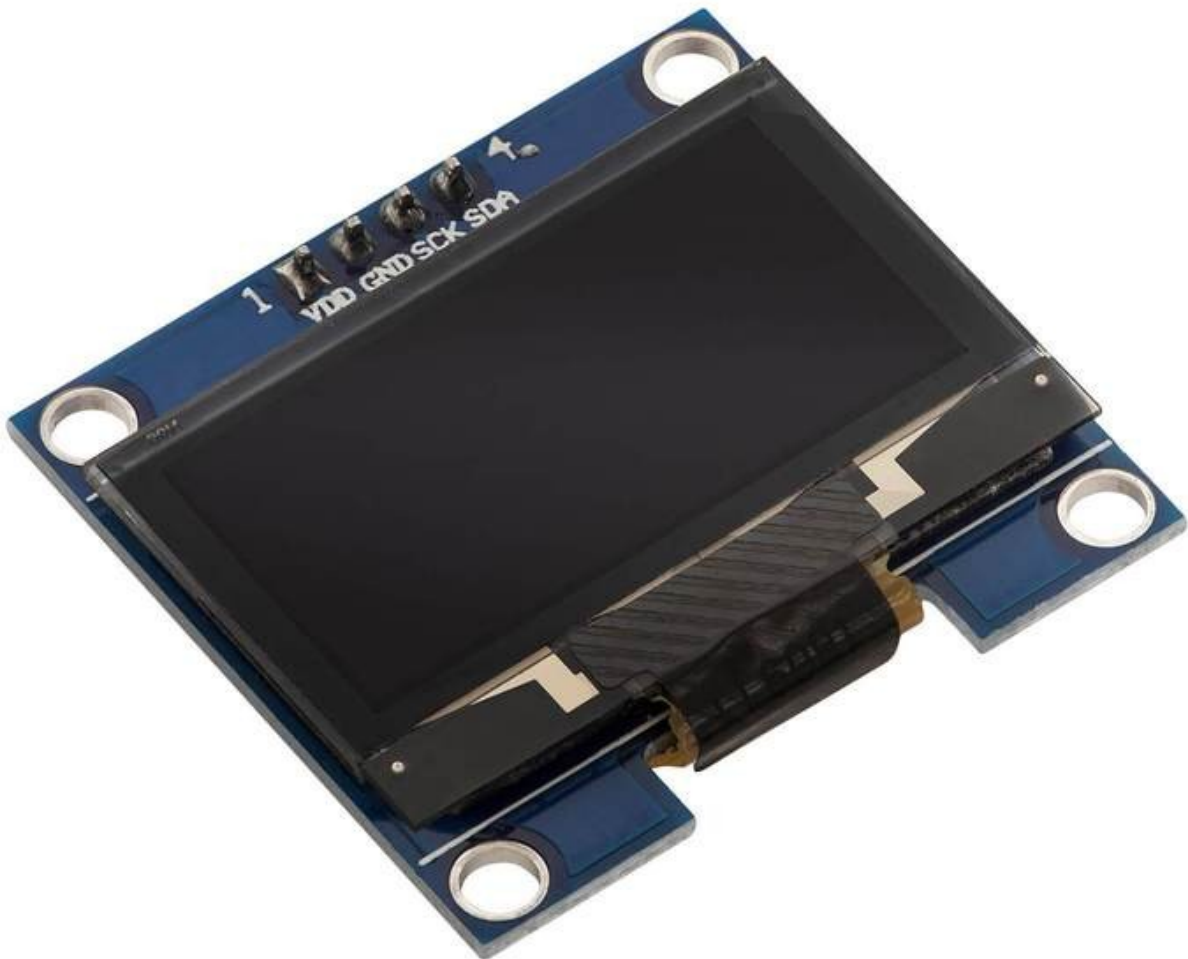




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Introduction

OLED stands for Organic Light Emitting Diodes. OLED screens are arrays of LEDs stacked together in a matrix. The 1.3 inch OLED screen has 128x64 pixels (LEDs). To control these LEDs we need a driver circuit or a chip. The screen has a driver chip called *SH1106*. The driver chip has an I2C interface for communication with the main microcontroller.

The OLED screen and SH1106 driver chip operate in the 3.3V range. But there is an on-board 3.3V voltage regulator, which means that these screens can operate in the 5V range.

The performance of these screens is much better than traditional LCDs. Simple I2C communication and low power consumption make them more suited for a variety of applications.



Specifications

» Power supply voltage:	from 3.3V to 5V
» Communication interface:	I2C
» Pixel Color:	White
» Operating temperature:	from -20 to 70 °C
» Low power consumption:	< 11mA
» Dimensions:	36 x 34 x 3mm [1.4 x1.3 x 0.1inch]

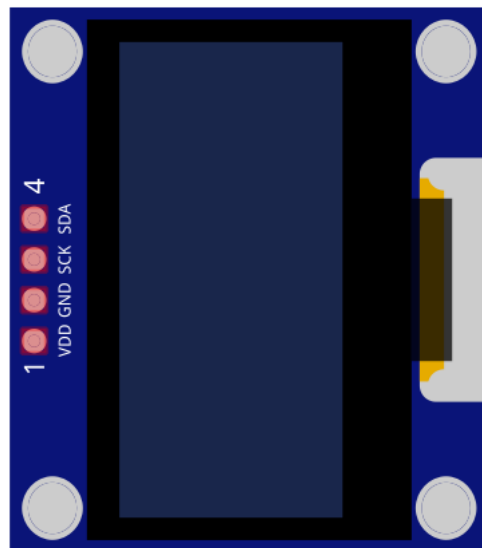
To extend the lifetime of the screen, it is common to use a “Screen saver”. It is recommended not to use constant information over a long period of time, because that shortens the lifespan of the screen and increases so called “Screen burn” effect.

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The pinout

The 1.3 inch OLED screen has four pins. The pinout is shown on the following image:

I2C Serial Data Line - SDA
I2C Serial Clock Line - SCK
Ground - GND
Power Supply - VDD



The screen has an on-board 3.3V voltage regulator. The pins of the 1.3 inch OLED screen can be connected to 3.3V or to 5V power supply without danger to the sensor itself.

NOTE: When using Raspberry Pi, the power supply should be drawn from a 3.3V pin only.

How to set-up Arduino IDE

If the Arduino IDE is not installed, follow the [link](#) and download the installation file for the operating system of choice.

Download the Arduino IDE



The screenshot shows the Arduino IDE download page. On the left, there is a teal circle with a white infinity symbol containing a minus and a plus sign. To its right, the text reads: **ARDUINO 1.8.9**, followed by a paragraph describing it as open-source software for Windows, Mac OS X, and Linux, and a note that it can be used with any Arduino board. On the right side, there is a teal sidebar with links for different operating systems: Windows (Installer and ZIP file), Windows app (with a 'Get' button), Mac OS X (10.8 Mountain Lion or newer), Linux (32 bits, 64 bits, ARM 32 bits, ARM 64 bits), Release Notes, Source Code, and Checksums (sha512).

For *windows* users, double click on the downloaded .exe file and follow the instructions in the installation window.

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For *Linux* users, download a file with the extension `.tar.xz`, which has to be extracted. When it is extracted, go to the extracted directory and open the terminal in that directory. Two `.sh` scripts have to be executed, the first called `arduino-linux-setup.sh` and the second called `install.sh`.

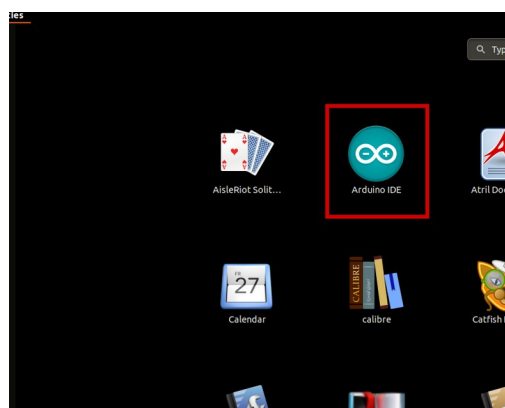
To run the first script in the terminal, open the terminal in the extracted directory and run the following command:

```
sh arduino-linux-setup.sh user_name
```

user_name - is the name of a superuser in the Linux operating system. A password for the superuser has to be entered when the command is started. Wait for a few minutes for the script to complete everything.

The second script called `install.sh` script has to be used after installation of the first script. Run the following command in the terminal (extracted directory): **sh install.sh**

After the installation of these scripts, go to the *All Apps*, where the *Arduino IDE* is installed.



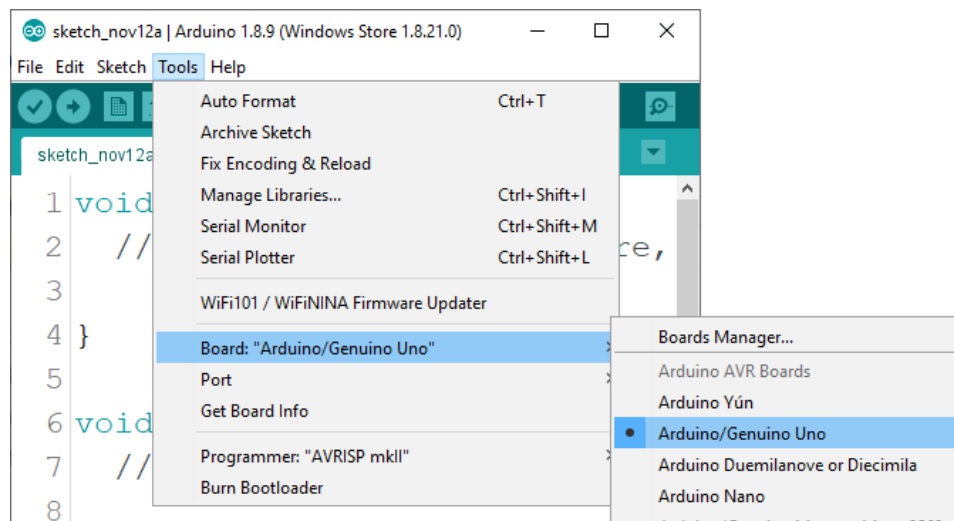
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Almost all operating systems come with a text editor preinstalled (for example, *Windows* comes with *Notepad*, *Linux Ubuntu* comes with *Gedit*, *Linux Raspbian* comes with *Leafpad*, etc.). All of these text editors are perfectly fine for the purpose of the eBook.

Next thing is to check if your PC can detect an Arduino board. Open freshly installed Arduino IDE, and go to:

Tools > Board > {your board name here}

{your board name here} should be the *Arduino/Genuino Uno*, as it can be seen on the following image:

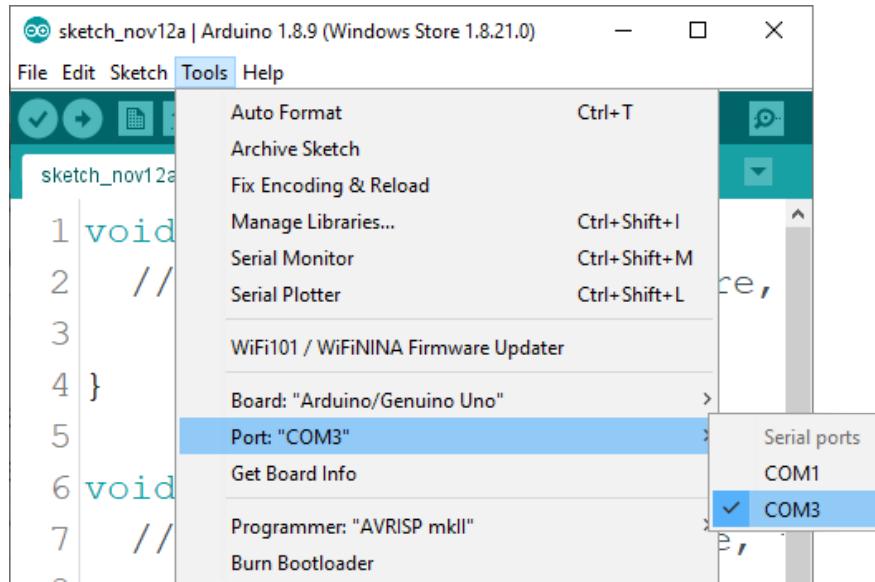


The port to which the Arduino board is connected has to be selected. Go to:

Tools > Port > {port name goes here}

and when the Arduino board is connected to the USB port, the port name can be seen in the drop-down menu on the previous image.

If the Arduino IDE is used on Windows, port names are as follows:



For *Linux* users, for example port name is `/dev/ttyUSBx`, where *x* represents integer number between 0 and 9.



How to set-up the Raspberry Pi and Python

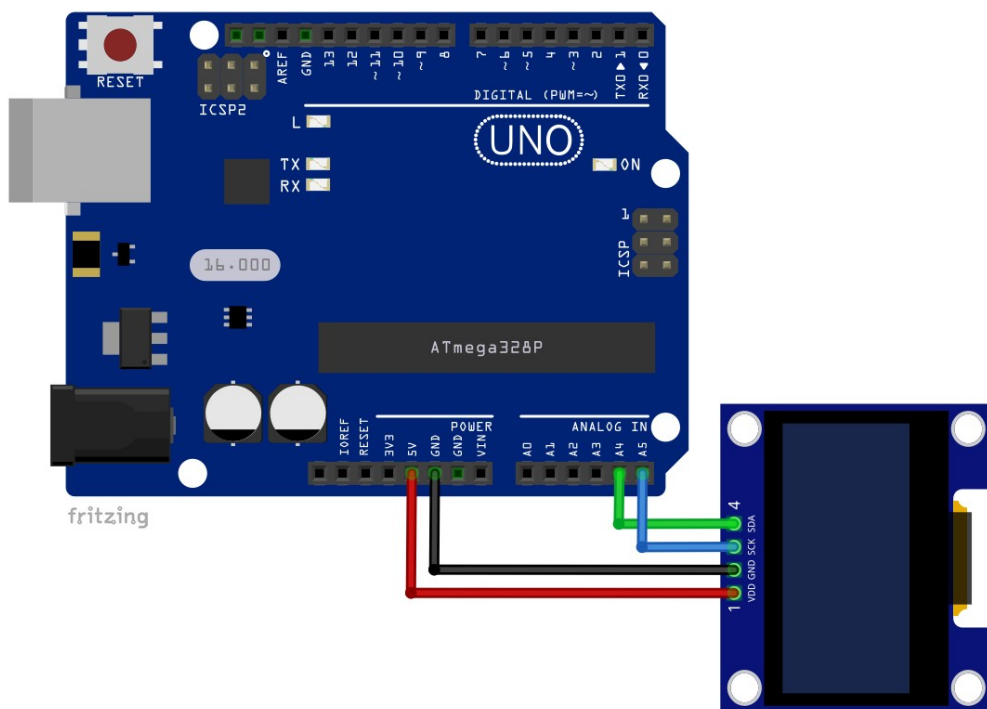
For the Raspberry Pi, first the operating system has to be installed, then everything has to be set-up so that it can be used in the *Headless* mode. The *Headless* mode enables remote connection to the Raspberry Pi, without the need for a *PC* screen Monitor, mouse or keyboard. The only things that are used in this mode are the Raspberry Pi itself, power supply and internet connection. All of this is explained minutely in the free eBook:

[Raspberry Pi Quick Startup Guide](#)

The *Raspbian* operating system comes with *Python* preinstalled.

Connecting the screen with Uno

Connect the 1.3 inch OLED screen with the Uno as shown on the following connection diagram:



Screen pin	Uno pin	Wire color
SDA	A4	Green wire
SCK	A5	Blue wire
GND	GND	Black wire
VCC	5V	Red wire

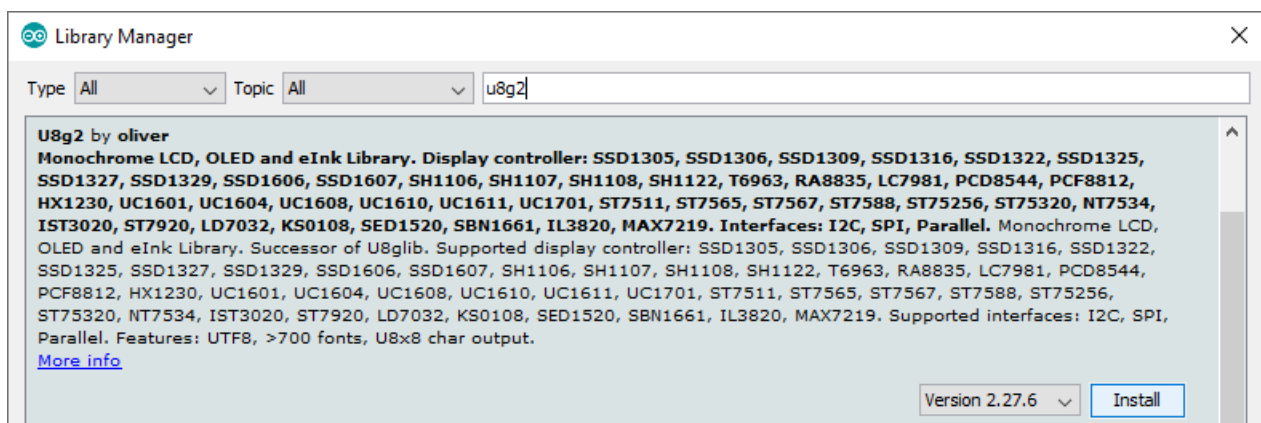
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Library for Arduino IDE

To use the screen with an Uno, it is recommended to download an external library for it. The library that is used in this eBook is called the *U8g2*. To download and install it, open Arduino IDE and go to:

Tools > Manage Libraries.

When a new window opens, type *u8g2* in the search box and install the library *U8g2* made by *oliver*, as shown in the following image:



Several sketch examples come with the library, to open one, go to:

File > Examples > U8g2 > full_buffer > GraphicsTest

With this sketch example, the screen can be tested. In this eBook, the sketch code is modified in order to create more beginner friendly version of code.

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Sketch example

```
#include <U8g2lib.h>
#include <Wire.h>
#define time_delay 2000
U8G2_SH1106_128X64_NONAME_F_HW_I2C u8g2(U8G2_R0, U8X8_PIN_NONE);

const char COPYRIGHT_SYMBOL[] = {0xa9, '\\0'};
void u8g2_prepare() {
    u8g2.setFont(u8g2_font_6x10_tf);
    u8g2.setFontRefHeightExtendedText();
    u8g2.setDrawColor(1);
    u8g2.setFontPosTop();
    u8g2.setFontDirection(0);
}
void u8g2_box_frame() {
    u8g2.drawStr(0, 0, "drawBox");
    u8g2.drawBox(5, 10, 20, 10);
    u8g2.drawStr(60, 0, "drawFrame");
    u8g2.drawFrame(65, 10, 20, 10);
}
void u8g2_r_frame_box() {
    u8g2.drawStr(0, 0, "drawRFrame");
    u8g2.drawRFrame(5, 10, 40, 15, 3);
    u8g2.drawStr(70, 0, "drawRBox");
    u8g2.drawRBox(70, 10, 25, 15, 3);
}
void u8g2_disc_circle() {
    u8g2.drawStr(0, 0, "drawDisc");
    u8g2.drawDisc(10, 18, 9);
    u8g2.drawStr(60, 0, "drawCircle");
    u8g2.drawCircle(70, 18, 9);
}
```

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```
void u8g2_string_orientation() {
    u8g2.setFontDirection(0);
    u8g2.drawStr(5, 15, "0");
    u8g2.setFontDirection(3);
    u8g2.drawStr(40, 25, "90");
    u8g2.setFontDirection(2);
    u8g2.drawStr(75, 15, "180");
    u8g2.setFontDirection(1);
    u8g2.drawStr(100, 10, "270");
}

void u8g2_line() {
    u8g2.drawStr(0, 0, "drawLine");
    u8g2.drawLine(7, 20, 77, 32);
}

void u8g2_triangle() {
    u8g2.drawStr(0, 0, "drawTriangle");
    u8g2.drawTriangle(14, 20, 45, 30, 10, 32);
}

void u8g2_unicode() {
    u8g2.drawStr(0, 0, "Unicode");
    u8g2.setFont(u8g2_font_unifont_t_symbols);
    u8g2.setFontPosTop();
    u8g2.setFontDirection(0);
    u8g2.drawUTF8(10, 20, "☀");
    u8g2.drawUTF8(30, 20, "☁");
    u8g2.drawUTF8(50, 20, "☂");
    u8g2.drawUTF8(70, 20, "☂");
    u8g2.drawUTF8(95, 20, COPYRIGHT_SYMBOL); //COPYRIGHT SYMBOL
    u8g2.drawUTF8(115, 15, "\xb0"); // DEGREE SYMBOL
}
```

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```
#define image_width 128
#define image_height 21
static const unsigned char image_bits[] U8X8_PROGMEM = {
    0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x06, 0x03, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0xfc, 0x1f, 0x00, 0x00,
    0xfc, 0x1f, 0x00, 0x00, 0x06, 0x03, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
    0xfe, 0x1f, 0x00, 0x00, 0xfc, 0x7f, 0x00, 0x00, 0x06, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x07, 0x18, 0x00, 0x00, 0x0c, 0x60, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x06, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x03, 0x18, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x0c, 0xc0, 0x00, 0x00, 0x06, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x03, 0x18, 0x00, 0x00, 0x0c, 0xc0, 0xf0, 0x1f, 0x06, 0x63, 0x80, 0xf1,
    0x1f, 0xfc, 0x33, 0xc0, 0x03, 0x18, 0x00, 0x00, 0x0c, 0xc0, 0xf8, 0x3f,
    0x06, 0x63, 0xc0, 0xf9, 0x3f, 0xfe, 0x33, 0xc0, 0x03, 0x18, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x0c, 0xc0, 0x18, 0x30, 0x06, 0x63, 0xc0, 0x18, 0x30, 0x06, 0x30, 0xc0,
    0xff, 0xff, 0xdf, 0xff, 0x0c, 0xc0, 0x18, 0x30, 0x06, 0x63, 0xe0, 0x18,
    0x30, 0x06, 0x30, 0xc0, 0xff, 0xff, 0xdf, 0xff, 0x0c, 0xc0, 0x98, 0x3f,
    0x06, 0x63, 0x60, 0x98, 0x3f, 0x06, 0x30, 0xc0, 0x03, 0x18, 0x0c, 0x00,
    0x0c, 0xc0, 0x98, 0x1f, 0x06, 0x63, 0x70, 0x98, 0x1f, 0x06, 0x30, 0xc0,
    0x03, 0x18, 0x06, 0x00, 0x0c, 0xc0, 0x18, 0x00, 0x06, 0x63, 0x38, 0x18,
    0x00, 0x06, 0x30, 0xc0, 0x03, 0x18, 0x03, 0x00, 0x0c, 0xe0, 0x18, 0x00,
    0x06, 0x63, 0x1c, 0x18, 0x00, 0x06, 0x30, 0xc0, 0x00, 0x80, 0x01, 0x00,
    0xfc, 0x7f, 0xf8, 0x07, 0x1e, 0xe3, 0x0f, 0xf8, 0x07, 0x06, 0xf0, 0xcf,
    0x00, 0xc0, 0x00, 0x00, 0xfc, 0x3f, 0xf0, 0x07, 0x1c, 0xe3, 0x07, 0xf0,
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    0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0xe0, 0x00, 0xfc, 0x1f, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
    0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x7f, 0x00, 0xfc, 0x1f, 0x00,
    0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x3f };
```


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```
void u8g2_bitmap() {
    u8g2.drawXBMP(0, 5, image_width, image_height, image_bits);
}
void setup(void) {
    u8g2.begin();
    u8g2_prepare();
}
float i = 0.0;
void loop(void) {
    u8g2.clearBuffer();
    u8g2_prepare();
    u8g2_box_frame();
    u8g2.sendBuffer();
    delay(time_delay);

    u8g2.clearBuffer();
    u8g2_disc_circle();
    u8g2.sendBuffer();
    delay(time_delay);

    u8g2.clearBuffer();
    u8g2_r_frame_box();
    u8g2.sendBuffer();
    delay(time_delay);

    u8g2.clearBuffer();
    u8g2_prepare();
    u8g2_string_orientation();
    u8g2.sendBuffer();
    delay(time_delay);

    u8g2.clearBuffer();
    u8g2_line();
    u8g2.sendBuffer();
    delay(time_delay);
}
```

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```
// one tab
u8g2.clearBuffer();
u8g2_triangle();
u8g2.sendBuffer();
delay(time_delay);

u8g2.clearBuffer();
u8g2_prepare();
u8g2_unicode();
u8g2.sendBuffer();
delay(time_delay);

u8g2.clearBuffer();
u8g2_bitmap();
u8g2.sendBuffer();
delay(time_delay);

u8g2.clearBuffer();
u8g2.setCursor(0, 0);
u8g2.print(i);
i = i + 1.5;
u8g2.sendBuffer();
delay(time_delay);
}
```

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At the beginning of the sketch two libraries are imported the *U8g2lib* and *Wire*.

Next, object called *u8g2* is created, with the following line of code:

```
U8G2_SH1106_128X64_NONAME_F_HW_I2C u8g2(U8G2_R0, U8X8_PIN_NONE);
```

The created object represents the screen itself and it is used to control the screen. The *U8g2* library can be used for many other OLED screens, thus there are many constructors in the sketch examples from the library.

After that, the function called *u8g2_prepare()* is created, which has no arguments and returns no value. Inside this function, five *u8g2* library functions are used.

The first function is called *setFont()* which has one argument and returns no value. The argument represents the *u8g2* font. The list of available fonts can be found on the following [link](#).

The second function is called *setFontRefHeightExtendedText()* which has no arguments and returns no value. It is used for drawing characters on the screen. More detailed explanation of this function can be found on the following [link](#).



The third function is called *setDrawColor()* which has one argument and returns no value. The argument value is an integer number which represents a color index for all drawing functions. Font drawing procedures use this argument to set the foreground color. The default value is *1*. If it is set to *0*, then the space around the character is lit up, and the character is not. Argument value *2* can also be used, but there is no difference from *0*.

The fourth function is called *setFontPosTop()* which has no argument and returns no value. This function controls the character position in one line of the text. The function has a couple of versions. The first is *setFontPosBaseLine()* second is *setFontPosCenter()*. The third is *setFontPosBottom()* and their purpose is to change the position of the characters in the one line.

The fifth function is called *setFontDirection()*, which has one argument and returns no value. The argument is an integer number which represents direction of the text. The value is an integer number in the range of *0* to *3*, where *0* = 0° , *1* = 90° , *2* = 180° and *3* = 270° .

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The function called *drawStr()* has three arguments and returns no value. It is used to display a constant string on the screen. The first two arguments represent the *X* and *Y* position of the cursor, where the text is displayed. The third argument represents the text itself, a constant string value. The functions that set text layout before using *drawStr()* function should be used, otherwise the *drawStr()* function uses default settings for the font, size and overall layout of the text.

To display shapes, specific functions for each shape are used:

The function called *drawFrame()*, has four arguments and returns no value. It is used to display a frame, an empty rectangle. The first two arguments represent the *X* and *Y* position of the top left corner of the frame. The third argument represents the width of the frame and the fourth argument represents the height of the frame.

The function called *drawRFrame()* has five arguments and returns no value. It is used to display a frame with rounded corners. The first two arguments represent the *X* and *Y* position of the top left corner of the frame. The second two arguments represent the width and height of the frame and the fifth argument represents the corner radius.

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The function called *drawBox()* has four arguments and returns no value. It is used to display a filled rectangle. The first two arguments represent the *X* and *Y* position of the top left corner of the rectangle. The second two arguments represent the width and height of the rectangle, respectively.

The function called *drawRBox()* has five arguments and returns no value. It is used to display a filled rectangle with rounded edges. The first two arguments represent the *X* and *Y* position of the top left corner of the rectangle. The second two arguments represent the width and height of the rectangle, respectively. The fifth argument represents the corner radius.

The function called *drawCircle()* has three arguments and returns no value. It is used to display a circle. The first two arguments represent the *X* and *Y* positions of the circle center point. The third argument represents the circle radius.

The function called *drawDisc()* has three arguments and returns no value. It is used to display a disc. The first two arguments represent *X* and *Y* position of the disc center point. The third argument represents the disc radius.

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The function called *drawTriangle()* has six arguments and returns no value. It is used to display a filled triangle. The first two arguments represent the *X* and *Y* position of the first corner point of the triangle. The second two arguments represent the *X* and *Y* positions of the second corner point of the triangle. The last two arguments represent the *X* and *Y* positions of the last corner point of the triangle.

The function called *drawLine()* has four arguments and returns no value. It is used to display a line. The first two arguments represent the *X* and *Y* position of the starting point of the line. The second two arguments represent *X* and *Y* position of the end point of the line.

The function called *drawUTF8()* has three arguments and returns a value. It is used to display a text, the string value which may contain a character encoded as a *Unicode* character. The first two arguments represent the *X* and *Y* position of the cursor and the third represents the text itself. The *Unicode* characters can be displayed in a couple of ways. The first is to copy and paste the existing character into the sketch, like in the following line of the code: `u8g2.drawUTF8(50, 20, "☂")`

The second is to create a *char* array, which has two values: the first value is a hexadecimal number of the *Unicode* character, and the second value is a null character ("`\0`"). This can be done by using the *char* array called *COPYRIGHT_SYMBOL*, like in the following lines of the code:

```
const char COPYRIGHT_SYMBOL[] = {0xa9, '\0'}  
u8g2.drawUTF8(95, 20, COPYRIGHT_SYMBOL); //COPYRIGHT SYMBOL
```

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The third way of using the function is to use a hexadecimal number for the character itself, like in the following line of code:

```
u8g2.drawUTF8(115, 15, "\xb0"); // DEGREE SYMBOL
```

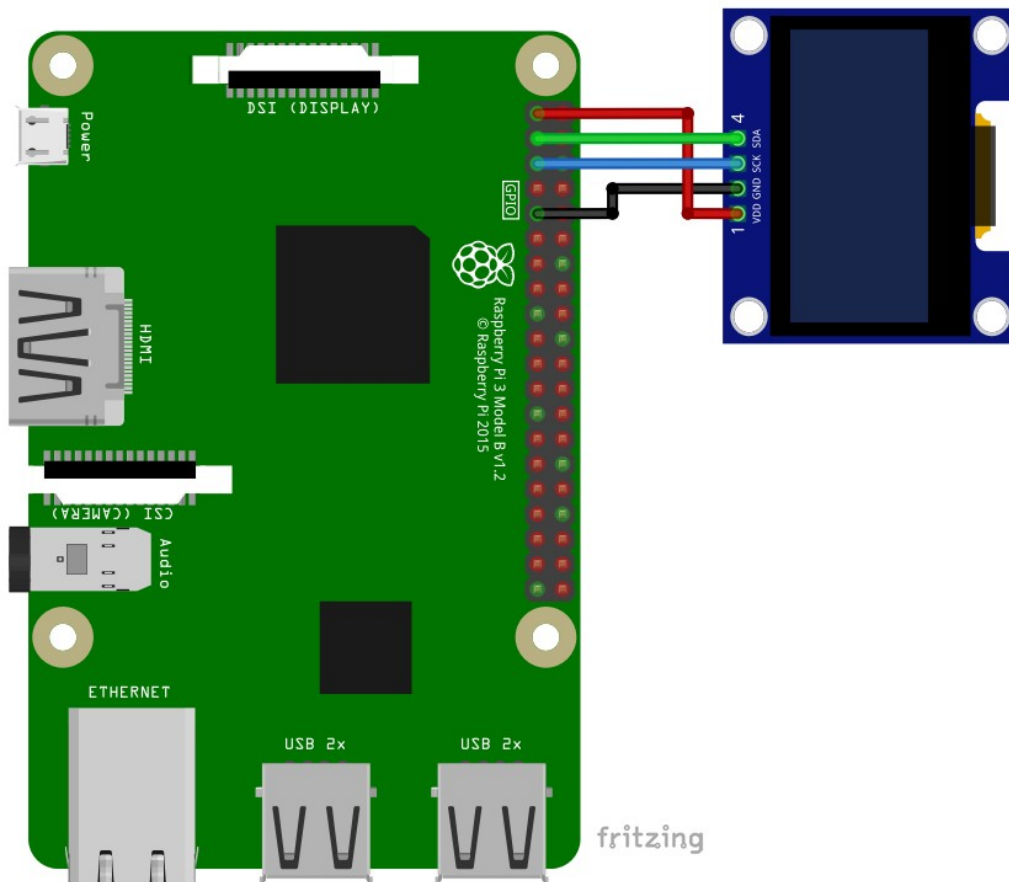
The function returns a value, an integer number which represents the width of the text (*string*).

To display something on the screen, the screen data buffer has to be cleared first, then a new value is set (an image) for data buffer, then a new value of data buffer is send to the screen. This way, a new image is displayed on the screen. In order to see this change, *delay()* function has to be used to shift the next change of the data buffer, like in the following lines of code:

```
u8g2.clearBuffer();  
u8g2_bitmap(); // setting the data buffer  
u8g2.sendBuffer();  
delay(time_delay);
```


Connecting the screen with Raspberry Pi

Connect the screen with the Raspberry Pi as shown on the following connection diagram:



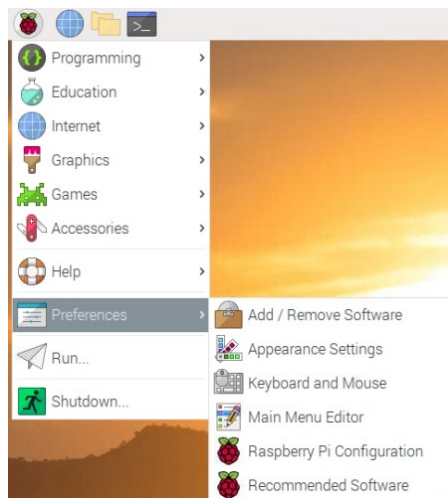
Screen pin	Raspberry Pi pin	Physical pin	Wire color
SDA	GPIO2	3	Green wire
SCL	GPIO3	5	Blue wire
GND	GND	9	Black wire
VCC	3V3	1	Red wire

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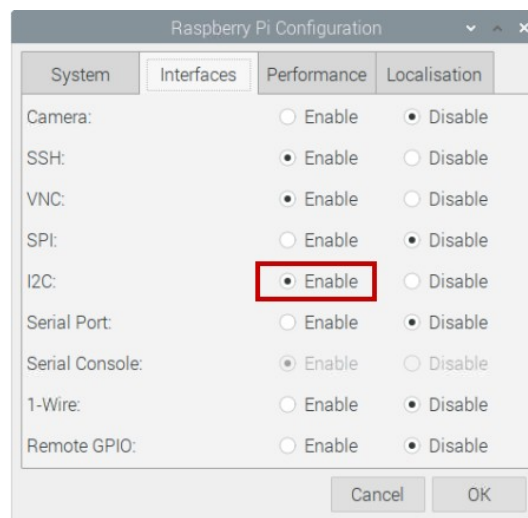
Enabling the I2C interface

In order to use the screen with Raspberry Pi, I2C interface has to be enabled. Open following menu:

Application Menu > Preferences > Raspberry Pi Configuration



In the new window, under the tab *Interfaces*, enable the I2C radio button, as on the following image:



Libraries and tools for Python

To use a 1.3 inch OLED screen with the Raspberry Pi it is recommended to download an external library for it. The library that is used in this eBook is called *luma.oled*. To use it a few tools for Python has to be installed.

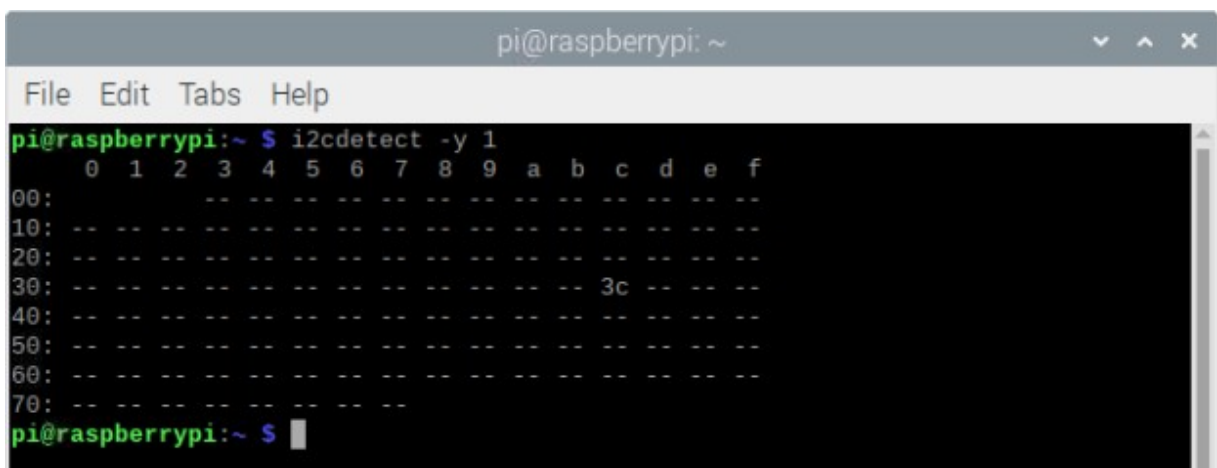
Open the terminal and run the following command:

```
sudo apt install i2c-tools python3-dev python3-pip  
libfreetype6-dev libjpeg-dev build-essential libopenjp2-7  
libtiff5 git
```

Next, the screen I2C address has to be detected. Open terminal and run the following command:

```
i2c detect -y 1
```

The result should be like the output on the following image:



```
pi@raspberrypi: ~  
File Edit Tabs Help  
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ i2cdetect -y 1  
 0  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  a  b  c  d  e  f  
00: -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- --  
10: -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- --  
20: -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- --  
30: -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- 3c -- -- -- --  
40: -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- --  
50: -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- --  
60: -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- --  
70: -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- -- --  
pi@raspberrypi:~ $
```

where *0x3c* is the I2C address of the screen.

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To install the *luma.oled* library, open the terminal and run the following command:

```
sudo -H pip3 install -upgrade luma.oled
```

The last thing to do is to download script examples from *GitHub*. Open the terminal and run the following command:

```
git clone https://github.com/rm-hull/luma.examples.git
```

Then, change directory to *luma.examples* directory, with the following command:

```
cd luma.examples
```

and to install the library run the following command:

```
sudo -H pip3 install -e .
```

(with the dot at the end)

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Python script

The following script code is modified code from two scripts:
/luma.examples/demo.py and
/luma.examples/demo_opts.py.

```
import time
import sys
from luma.core.interface.serial import i2c
from luma.oled.device import sh1106
from luma.core.render import canvas
from PIL import ImageFont

font_path = 'ChiKareGo.ttf'

def changing_var(device):
    size = 40
    nf = ImageFont.truetype(font_path, size) # new font

    for i in range(100):
        with canvas(device) as draw:
            draw.text((28, 7), 'Changing var.', fill=1)
            if i < 10:
                draw.text((50, 22), '0{}'.format(str(i)), font=nf, fill=1)
            else:
                draw.text((50, 22), str(i), font=nf, fill=1)

        time.sleep(0.001)
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```
def primitives(device):  
    with canvas(device) as draw:  
        # Draw a rectangle.  
        draw.rectangle((4, 4, 40, 10), outline=1, fill=0)  
  
        # Draw an ellipse.  
        draw.ellipse((4, 20, 18, 34), outline=1, fill=1)  
  
        # Draw a triangle.  
        draw.polygon([(10, 44), (40, 20), (40, 44)], outline=1, fill=0)  
  
        # Draw an X.  
        draw.line((4, 48, 126, 62), fill=1)  
        draw.line((4, 62, 126, 48), fill=1)  
  
        # Write two lines of text.  
        draw.text((45, 20), 'AZ-Delivery', fill=1)  
  
        size = 10  
        nf = ImageFont.truetype(font_path, size)  
        draw.text((45, 4), 'AZ-Delivery', font=nf, fill=1)
```

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```
try:
    serial = i2c(port=1, address=0x3c)
    device = sh1106(serial, rotate=0, width=128, height=64)

    print('[Press CTRL + C to end the script!]\n')
    while(True):
        print('Testing printing variable.\n')
        changing_var(device)
        time.sleep(2)

        print('Testing basic graphics.\n')
        primitives(device)
        time.sleep(3)

        print('Testing display ON/OFF.\n')
        for _ in range(5):
            time.sleep(0.5)
            device.hide()
            time.sleep(0.5)
            device.show()

        print('Testing clearing display.\n')
        device.clear()
        time.sleep(2)

except KeyboardInterrupt:
    print('Script end!')
```

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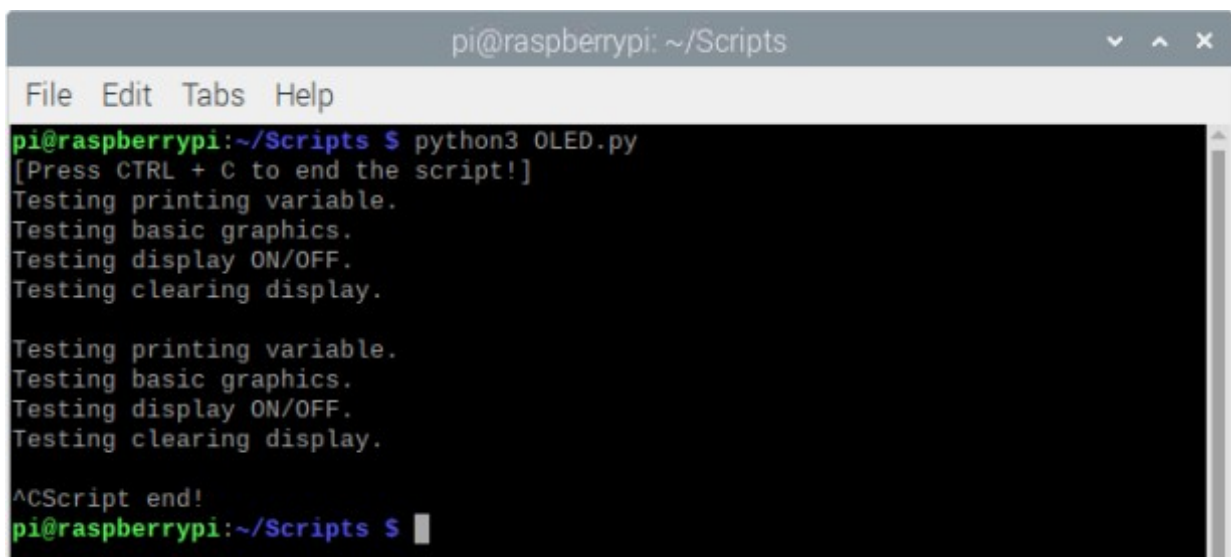
Save the script by the name *OLED.py*. In the same directory where the script is saved, the font file has to be saved too. The font used in this script is called *ChiKareGo*. This font is saved in examples directory, on location:
luma.examples > examples > fonts > ChiKareGo.ttf

Just, copy and paste this file in the same directory where the *OLED.py* script is saved. If this is not done, when the command *python3 OLED.py* is executed, the error is raised pointing that the script can not find the font file.

To run the script, open terminal in the directory where script is saved and run the following command:

python3 OLED.py

The result should look like the output on the following image:

A screenshot of a terminal window titled 'pi@raspberrypi: ~/Scripts'. The window has a menu bar with 'File', 'Edit', 'Tabs', and 'Help'. The terminal shows the command 'python3 OLED.py' being executed. The output consists of two identical blocks of test messages: '[Press CTRL + C to end the script!]', 'Testing printing variable.', 'Testing basic graphics.', 'Testing display ON/OFF.', and 'Testing clearing display.'. After the second block, it says '^CScript end!'. The prompt 'pi@raspberrypi:~/Scripts \$' is visible at the bottom with a cursor.

To stop the script press *CTRL + C* on the keyboard.

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The script starts with importing libraries and functions.

Then the path to the font file is saved in the variable *font_path*. The font used is called *ChiKareGo.ttf*, which can be found in:

```
luma.examples > examples > fonts > ChiKareGo.ttf
```

The font file must be copied into the same directory where script is saved!

Then, two functions are created, the first is called *changing_var()* and the second is called *primitives()*.

The *changing_var()* function is used to display a variable which changes its state every millisecond. The function accepts one argument and returns no value. The argument is called a *device* argument, which will be explained later in the text. At the beginning of the *changing_var()* function, *size* variable is defined and initialized with the number 40. This value represents the size of the font. Then, a variable called *nf* (*new_font*) is created, which represents the font that is used. The *size* and *font_path* variables are used to create the *nf* variable. Next, the *for* loop is created to loop through the first hundred integer numbers. These values are used as values for the variable that is displayed on the screen. In the *for* loop, image is created with the following line of the code:

```
with canvas(device) as draw:
```

where an object called a *draw* is created. The *draw* object represents the image itself.

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To display text the `text()` function is used. The `text()` function accepts four arguments, where one is optional, and returns no value. The first argument is a *tuple* which has two elements, where the elements represent the *X* and *Y* position of the cursor. The second argument represents the text itself, a *string* value. The third argument is the *fill* argument. The fourth argument is optional, it is called the *font* argument. If argument is not used, the font is set to default font and size. But if *nf* variable is stored inside the *font* argument, desired font can be used and the font size is also changed.

The *fill* argument represents the color of the text. If the *fill* = 0 the color is black (nothing displayed on the screen) and if the *fill* is equal to any other value, for example *fill* = 1, the color of the text is white (because OLED screens have only black and white colors). This library can also be used for many other screens, so inside the *fill* argument, any other color can be stored, which is not possible for the 1.3 inch OLED screen.

The rest of code inside the *for* loop is an algorithm to display text and variable with two digit numbers starting from 0 to 99.

The second function is called *primitives()* and it is used to draw shapes on the screen. It too, accepts one argument, the *device* argument, and returns no value. At the beginning of the function, the image object called *draw* is created. This object is used to draw shapes.

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To draw the rectangle the *rectangle()* function is used. The function accepts three arguments and returns no value. The first argument is a *tuple* of four elements, where the first two elements represent *X* and *Y* position of the top right corner of the rectangle. The third and the fourth element represents the *X* and *Y* position of the bottom right corner of the rectangle. The second argument is the *outline* argument and the third argument is the *fill* argument.

The *X* position value starts at the left side of the screen (value of *0*) and ends at the right side of the screen (value of *127*). The *Y* position value starts at the top side of the screen (value of *0*) and ends at the bottom side of the screen (value of *63*).

The *outline* argument represents the color of the shape edge and the *fill* argument represents the color of the shape itself. Because OLED screens are used, the colors are black and white, black - the pixel is turned *OFF*, white - the pixel is turned *ON*. When the value of zero is saved to the *outline* or *fill* argument this means that it is a black color. When any other value greater than zero is saved, for example *1*, this represents white color.

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To draw ellipse or circles the `ellipse()` function is used. The function accepts three arguments and returns no value. The first argument is a *tuple* of four elements. First two elements represent the *X* and *Y* positions of the top left corner of the rectangle that contains the ellipse. Second two elements represent the *X* and *Y* positions of the bottom right corner of the rectangle that contains the ellipse. The second argument is the *outline* argument and the third argument is the *fill* argument.

To draw a polygon the `polygon()` function is used. A polygon is a triangle, a rectangle, or any other shape with 3 or more corners. The function accepts three arguments. The first argument is a *list* of three or more *tuples*. The *tuples* have two elements, which represent the *X* and *Y* positions of the shape corner point. The number of *tuples* in the *list* is arbitrary, three or more *tuples*, which depends on what shape is wanted to be drawn. The second argument is the *outline* argument and the third argument is the *fill* argument.

To draw a line the `line()` function is used. The function accepts two arguments and returns no value. The first argument is a *tuple* of four elements, where the first two elements represent *X* and *Y* position of the starting point of a line and the second two elements represent *X* and *Y* position of the end point of a line. The second argument is the *fill* argument.

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At the end of the `primitives()` function, the `text()` function is used with and without `font` argument to show the difference.

The `text()` function has four arguments and returns no value. The function displays text on the screen. The first argument is a *tuple* with two elements. Elements represent the *X* and *Y* position of the cursor where the text is displayed. The third and the fourth arguments are optional. If these two arguments are not used, the `text()` function displays text with default font and size. If the text has to be displayed with different size and/or font, use the third and the fourth arguments. The third represents the `font` argument and the fourth argument is the `size` argument. The `font` argument represents the path to the font file. The `size` argument is an unsigned integer number, with values in range from `1` to `100`. The higher value the larger font is displayed on the screen.

After these two functions the *try-except* block of code is created. In the *try* block of code, two objects and the indefinite loop are created.

The first object is called `serial` and it is used to set up the I2C interface and address for the screen. To initialize this object, the following line of the code is used:

```
serial = i2c(port=1, address=0x3c)
```

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The second object is called *device*. This object represents the driver chip itself, and is used to control the driver chip. To initialize the device object the *serial* object, *width* and *height* arguments are used, in the following line of code:

```
device = sh1106(serial, width=128, height=64)
```

Next, an indefinite loop (*while True:*) is created. Inside the indefinite loop, two functions are executed and two properties of the screen tested. First, the *changing_var()* function is executed, then the *primitives()* function is executed. After this, *device.hide()* is used to turn *OFF* the screen and *device.show()* to turn it *ON* again. At the end of the indefinite loop, *device.clear()* is used to clear the data buffer of the screen, which clears the screen image.

The *except* block of code is executed when *CTRL + C* is pressed on the keyboard. This is called the keyboard interrupt. When the *except* block of code is executed, the message *Script end!* is displayed in the terminal.

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