

4. Display boot time and memory free space

After CPU Info LCD screen is correctly inserted into the Raspberry Pi, you need to compile and run the program to display it normally. This experiment is used to display the boot time and memory free space of the Raspberry Pi.

1. Install the wringPi library

CPU Info LCD screen is used for data communication through the GPIO port of the Raspberry Pi, so we must install the wiringPi library file.

Enter the following command to install the wringPi library. Users who have already installed the wiringPi library can ignore this step.

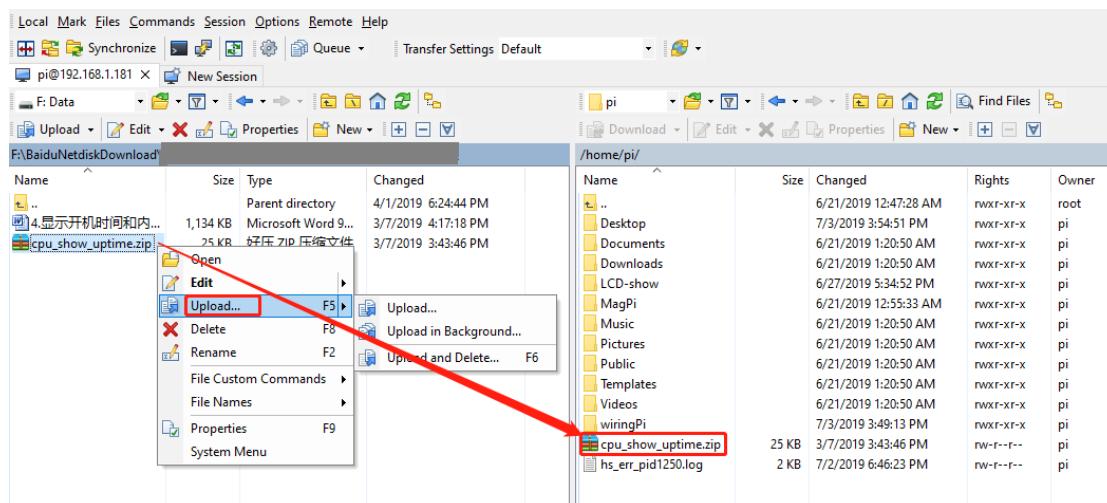
```
cd ~
git clone git://git.drogon.net/wiringPi
cd wiringPi
./build
```

2. Install Drive

2.1 Transfer the driver file to the Raspberry Pi

You need to install the WinSCP tool on your computer. After connecting to the Raspberry Pi, transfer the [cpu_show_uptime.zip](#) package from this folder to the pi directory of the Raspberry Pi.

As shown below, drag and drop [cpu_show_uptime.zip](#) directly into the Raspberry Pi system.



2.2 Extract file

Open the Raspberry Pi terminal and find the [cpu_show_uptemp.zip](#) file.

Enter command:

```
ls
```

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ ls
cpu_show_temp           Desktop   matchbox-keyboard  python_games
cpu_show_temp.zip       Documents  Music            Templates
cpu_show_uptime.zip    Downloads  pcd8544          thinclient_drives
cpu_show_v3              LCD-show  Pictures         Videos
cpu_show_v3.zip         MagPi     Public
pi@raspberrypi:~ $
```

Enter command:

unzip cpu_show_uptime.zip

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ unzip cpu_show_uptime.zip
Archive:  cpu_show_uptime.zip
  creating: cpu_show_uptime/
  inflating: cpu_show_uptime/cpushow_uptime
  inflating: cpu_show_uptime/PCD8544.h
  inflating: cpu_show_uptime/README.txt
  creating: cpu_show_uptime/BL/
  inflating: cpu_show_uptime/BL/bl
  inflating: cpu_show_uptime/BL/test.c
  inflating: cpu_show_uptime/pcd8544_rpi.c
  inflating: cpu_show_uptime/PCD8544.c
  creating: cpu_show_uptime/cputemp/
  inflating: cpu_show_uptime/cputemp/cputemp.c
  inflating: cpu_show_uptime/cputemp/temp
pi@raspberrypi:~ $
```

2.3 Enter the program folder

cd ~/cpu_show_uptime

ls

```
pi@raspberrypi:~/cpu_show_uptime $ ls
BL  cpushow_uptime  cputemp  PCD8544.c  PCD8544.h  pcd8544_rpi.c  README.txt
pi@raspberrypi:~/cpu_show_uptime $
```

2.4 Compiler file

Enter command:

**cc -o cpushow_uptime pcd8544_rpi.c PCD8544.c -L/usr/local/lib
-lwiringPi**

```
pi@raspberrypi:~/cpu_show_uptime $ cc -o cpushow_uptime pcd8544_rpi.c PCD8544.c
-L/usr/local/lib -lwiringPi
pcd8544_rpi.c: In function 'main':
pcd8544_rpi.c:73:2: warning: implicit declaration of function 'getifaddrs' [-Wim
plicit-function-declaration]
  getifaddrs(&ifAddrStruct);
  ^
pi@raspberrypi:~/cpu_show_uptime $
```

cc is the compile command, -o is the compile parameter, cpushow_temp is the generated program name, pcd8544_rpi.c and PCD8544.c are the source files in the current directory, -L/usr/local/lib and -lwiringPi are referenced libraries file.

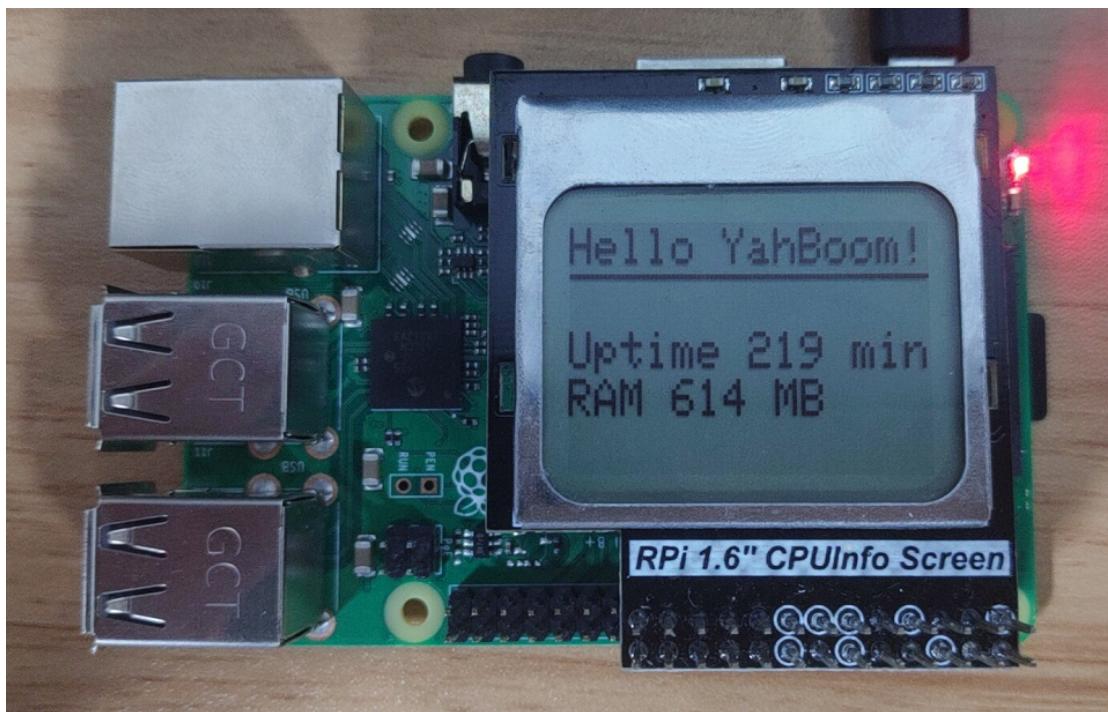
2.5 Running procedure

Enter command:

./cpushow_uptime

```
pi@raspberrypi:~/cpu_show_uptime $ ./cpushow_uptime
Raspberry Pi PCD8544 sysinfo display
=====
[
```

The system will prompt “Raspberry Pi PCD8544 sysinfo display” and display the following on the CPU Info screen.



Boot time is 219 minutes, Remaining memory is 614 megabytes.

3. Code analysis

Enter command:

nano pcd8544_rpi.c

This command is to open pcd8544_rpi.c

1. The following sections are pin settings. The corresponding relationship of the GPIO ports has been indicated on the back of the LCD.

```
// pin setup
int _din = 1;
int _sclk = 0;
int _dc = 2;
int _rst = 4;
int _cs = 3;
```

2. Main function

```

int main (void)
{
    struct ifaddrs * ifAddrStruct=NULL;
    void * tmpAddrPtr=NULL;

    getifaddrs(&ifAddrStruct);

    // print infos
    printf("Raspberry Pi PCD8544 sysinfo display\n");
    printf("=====\\n");

    // check wiringPi setup
    if (wiringPiSetup() == -1)
    {
        printf("wiringPi-Error\\n");
        exit(1);
    }

    // init and clear lcd
    LCDInit(_sclk, _din, _dc, _cs, _rst, contrast);
    LCDclear();
}

```

3.The front part is the initialize program and the prompt information; the latter part is display some data.

```

// clear lcd
LCDclear();      Clear display

// get system usage / info
struct sysinfo sys_info;
if(sysinfo(&sys_info) != 0)
{
    printf("sysinfo-Error\\n");
}

// uptime
char uptimeInfo[15];
unsigned long uptime = sys_info.uptime / 60;
sprintf(uptimeInfo, "Uptime %ld min.", uptime);

// ram info
char ramInfo[10];      Get memory free space
unsigned long totalRam = sys_info.freeram / 1024 / 1024;
sprintf(ramInfo, "RAM %ld MB", totalRam);

// build screen
LCD.drawString(0, 1, "Hello YahBoom!");
LCD.drawLine(0, 10, 83, 10, BLACK);      Display data
LCD.drawString(0, 21, uptimeInfo);
LCD.drawString(0, 30, ramInfo);

LCDdisplay();
delay(1000);

```

sprintf (cpuInfo, "CPU %ld%%", avgCpuLoad) is a splicing function, replace the value of avgCpuLoad to the %ld position, and then save it to uptimeInfo. If the value of avgCpuLoad is 2, the result of output uptimeInfo is Uptime 2 min.

LCDdrawstring(0, 1, "Hello YahBoom!") meaning is first row, second line display 'Hello YahBoom!'. First parameter is 0, which meaning is starting from the first column on the left. Second parameter is 1, which meaning is starting from the second column count from above. Third parameter is "hello YahBoom!", which meaning is data we need to display.

Note: If you have added a boot-up user, first move the xx.desktop file displayed on the 1.6-inch screen in the /home/pi/.config/autostart folder to the pi directory.

If you do not close a program that has already been run, the screen will always change due to conflicts after the program runs.

For example, there is a file driver.desktop that drives a 1.6-inch screen in the /home/pi/.config/autostart folder.

```
pi@raspberrypi:~/.config/autostart $ ls
start.desktop
pi@raspberrypi:~/.config/autostart $ █
```

We need to move **start.desktop** to the pi directory:

Enter command:

```
mv /home/pi/.config/autostart/start.desktop /home/pi
```

Then we can enter command:

```
sudo reboot
```

This command is to restart the Raspberry Pi.