



When I saw a 7 inch tablet for AUD63 I knew that it would be the cheapest way to get a 800x480 screen for arduino.

<http://www.warcom.com.au/blog/product-reviews/amicroe-7-tablet-review/>

I wanted to use the tablet power supply to power the arduino via the usb connection.

The tablet is configured to use an OTG cable which sets the tablet as host.

<http://forum.xda-developers.com/showthread.php?t=1828032>

The next step was the interface program, a very good system is firmata.

<http://shokai.github.io/ArduinoFirmata-Android/>

This was not really what I wanted. I just wanted to use the tablet as a display as in TVout.

<http://forum.arduino.cc/index.php/topic,51867.0.html>

I wrote a small application to use the tablet as a display. My code makes use of the core usb application.

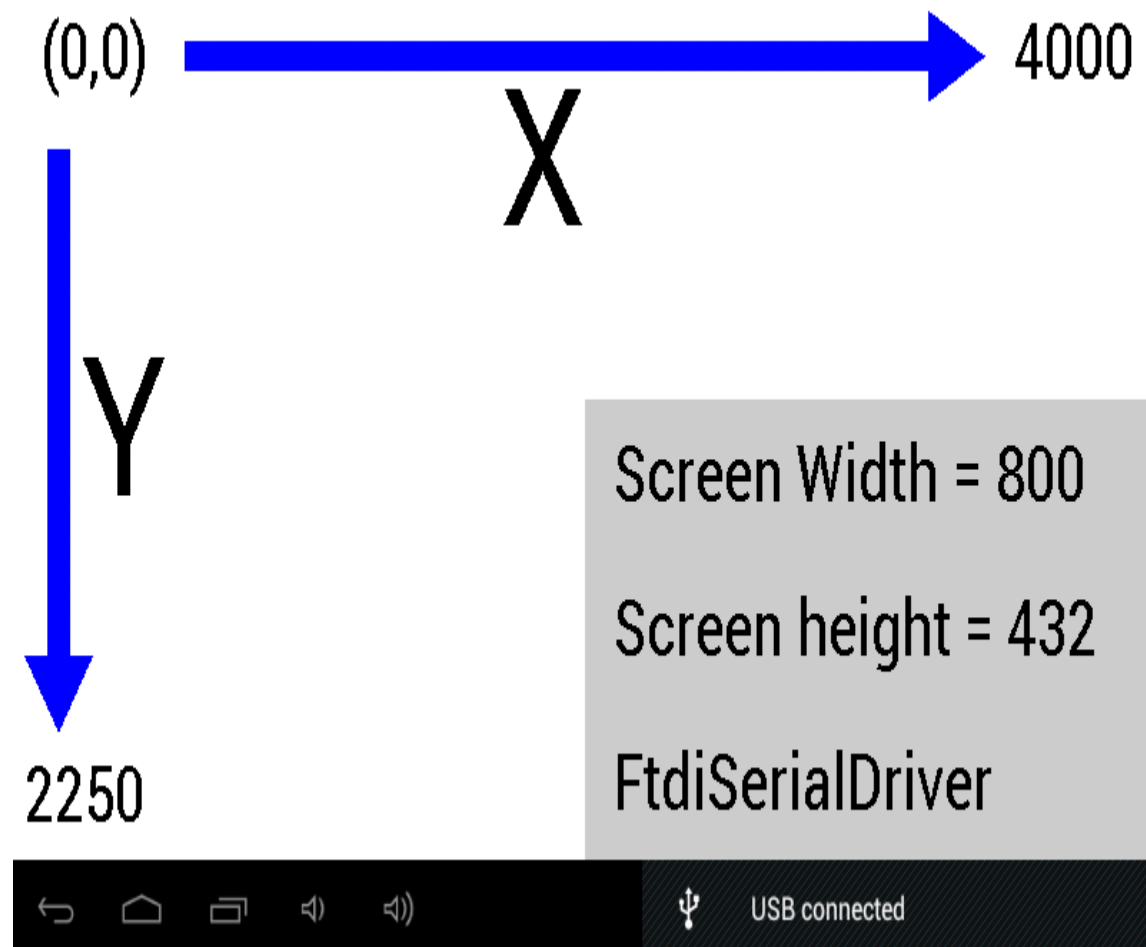
<http://code.google.com/p/usb-serial-for-android/>

The project code is in the download package. I use eclipse indigo with android 3.1 SDK.
If you have this or better you can upload the application to your tablet.
I send a set of bytes to the tablet to select the drawing function required. I only chose a few but the full range of the android graphics is available.
If you don't have this I published the application in the google play store.
It's free no adds just search "Arduino Usb Android Display".

The Arduino code is in a library class and has 6 functions.

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canvas.setPaint(int wide, byte red , byte green , byte blue, byte style)
//wide - width of brush, style 0 = stroke 1 = fill
canvas.setText(String text)
//text string up to 8 characters
canvas.drawLine(int Xstart, int Ystart, int Xstop, int Ystop)
canvas.drawRect(int left, int top, int right, int bottom)
canvas.drawCircle(int Xcenter, int Ycenter, int radius)
canvas.drawText(int Xstart, int Ystart ,int TextSize)
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The start screen for the application.



The screen for the simple example.

