Abstract:

This outlines the installation and usage of the collection of drivers and data processes which are designed to work independently to collect and store data autonomously, and to render the data into human readable formats. There exist 3 peripheral devices: a wide-angle camera, an Infrared camera, and a spectrometer.

Construction:

The Infrared camera and the spectrometer are connected in parallel to a common 3.3V output pin and a common ground (GPIO 1, and GPIO 9 respectively). Both devices communicate with the Raspberry Pi 4 via I2C protocol, and share both the serial data line, and serial clock line (GPIO 2, and GPIO5 respectively). Keep in mind the Raspberry Pi 4 has built in pullup resistors on the I2C pins. The MLX90640 uses address 0x33 and AS726X uses address 0x49. Below is the schematic for the setup.

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The ELP-USBFHD01M-L180 is attached to the raspberry pi 4 via USB3. All three devices are taped together, and they're estimated to be the same orientation with the naked eye.

Installation:

MLX90640 Infrared Camera:

To use this camera with the raspberry pi and our collection of scripts there a several dependencies that are required to be installed

- 1) Adafruit mlx90640
 - a. In command line run pip install adafruit-circuitpython-mlx90640
- 2) board
 - a. In command line run pip install --upgrade adafruit-python-shell
- 3) Busio
 - a. Will be installed from above.

AS726X Spectral Sensor

The dependencies for this camera should be installed with the MLX90640 IR camera except for the as726x itself:

• Run pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-as726x

ELP-USBFHD01M-L180

This is an ultra-wide angle USB camera, and the program that operates this camera depends on *OpenCV* to operate and can be installed with

sudo apt-get install python-opencv

Configuring Drivers

Configuration is set inside JSON files for each peripheral device. Located in the driver/config directory.

MLX90640 configuration

- Size: Contains the configuration to determine the width and height of the frame, and channels determines the color complexity of the color map, 1 indicates a single linear channel.
- Storage: The infrared camera stores data as a CSV which can later be transformed into a heatmap.
 - Precision indicates the decimals of precision that will be stored, increasing this will incur an increase in CPU load
 - Location determines where the csv file will be stored. By default, it will create a new csv file based on the date, if one exists already, data gets appended
 - Path is the relative location to store the csv

Recording

- o Frequency dictates how many frames per second will be captured. Incurs penalties to CPU load
- o Duration specifies how long the IR will run for, taking frames at the specified frequency above.

Triggers

o At this stage, it does nothing, but future goal is to specify what events are worth responding to.

AS726X configuration

Stored in: *driver/config/spectro.json*.

- Color_channels set what color channels will be stored in a CSV for later processing. Reducing the amount set to true will improve CPU load.
- Storage: data is stored in a CSV.
 - Precision indicates the decimals of precision that will be stored, increasing this will incur an increase in CPU load
 - Location determines where the csv file will be stored. By default, it will create a new csv file based on the date, if one exists already, data gets appended
 - Path is the relative location to store the csv

Recording

- o Frequency dictates how many frames per second will be captured. Incurs penalties to CPU load
- Duration specifies how long the spectrometer will run for, taking readings at the specified frequency above.
- Mode determines what color channels it will read.
 - **0:** Continuously gather samples of violet, blue, green and yellow. Orange and red are skipped and read zero.
 - 1: Continuously gather samples of green, yellow, orange and red. Violet and blue are skipped and read zero.
 - 2: Continuously gather samples of all colors

Triggers:

At this stage, it does nothing, but future goal is to specify what events are worth responding to.

ELP-USBFHD01M-L180 configuration

Stored in: driver/config/mp.json.

- Size: Contains the configuration to determine the width and height of the frame, and channels determines the color complexity of the color map, 3 represents 3 distinct color channels
- Storage: Due to the size of the image (3 X 640 X 480) its stored in a directory based on the date, as PNG's
 - Precision is redundant for this image
 - Location determines where the PNG file will be stored. It will use the current time and be stored in the directory that indicates the date.
 - Path is the relative location to store the directory storing the PNG's
- Recording

- Frequency dictates how many frames per second will be captured. Incurs heavy penalties to CPU
- Duration specifies how long the camera will run for, taking readings at the specified frequency above.

Triggers

o At this stage, it does nothing, but future goal is to specify what events are worth responding to.

NOTE: Setting frequency of the ELP-USBFHD01M-L180 too high will incur a large CPU load and Raspberry Pi 4 will become unresponsive.