Wacom Digitizer Implementation Guide



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1. Principle of Wacom EMR



Signal strength

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2. General Specification

Wacom Digitizer Unit

Technology	EMR (Electro-Magnetic Resonance)
Active Area	263.12 * 165.2 mm for SU5E-12W16AS-00X
Resolution	0.01mm (2540 ppi)
Coordinate Accuracy	\pm 0.4mm (see Note 1 and 2)
Coordinate Deviation When Tilting Pen	\pm 3mm (tilted \pm 50° from vertical) (see Note 3)
Detectable Pen tilt	Up to 50° from vertical
Detectable Height	4 to 14mm above the Sensor Board (see Note 1)
Position Report Rate	133 pps
Pressure Resolution	256 levels @ full scale
Power Consumption	35mA (max.70mA) @133pps

- Note 1: The digitizer sensor unit and pen only, at ordinary temperature.
- Note 2: The pen held vertically at 7mm high from sensor board.
- Note 3: The pen held in the center of the active area.



3-1. Structure

• EMR digitizer be inserted under the LCD





3-2. Structure

• EMR digitizer be inserted under the LCD





4-1. Digitizer Lineup

- Sensor : G4 ···· glass epoxy sensor
 - G4.5 · · · glass epoxy sensor
 - G5 ··· PET film or FPC (Polyimide)



4-2. Digitizer Lineup

• G5 sensor









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4-3. Digitizer Line up

- Technology :
 - 1. EMR only
 - 2. Resistive-DualTouch ··· sensor + Resistive Touch screen interface
 - 3. Capacitive-DualTouch ··· sensor + Capacitive Touch screen interface





4-4. Digitizer Lineup

• Interface : UART, USB

Signal assignment (UART)

Pin	NAME	IN/OUT	FUNCTION
1	FWE	I	Flash ROM Compulsory Rewrite
2	PWS1	0	Auxiliary Port1
3	PWS2	0	Auxiliary Port2
4	PWS3	0	Auxiliary Port3
5	PWS4	0	Auxiliary Port4
6	PDCT	0	Pen Detect Signal
7	DSR	I.	Data Set Ready Signal
8	CTS	I.	Clear To Send Signal
9	TxD	0	Serial Data Output Signal
10	RxD	I.	Serial Data Input Signal
11	SLP	I.	Sleep Signal
12	RES	I.	Reset
13	Vcc		Power Suply (3.3 Volt)
14	GND		Ground

Signal assignment (USB)

Pin	NAME	IN/OUT	FUNCTION
1	FWE	I	Flash ROM Compulsory Rewrite
2	USB GND		USB Ground
3	D+	I/O	USB Data +
4	D-	I/O	USB Data -
5	USB SET	1	USB Setting
6	PDCT	0	Pen Detect Signal
7	P0	1	No Function
8	P1	1	No Function
9	P2	1	No Function
10	P3	1	No Function
11	STOP	1	Stop Signel
12	RES	1	Reset Signal
13	Vcc		Power Supply (3.3 Volt)
14	GND		Ground



4-5. Digitizer Lineup

part number	diagonal size of tablet active area	outer dimensions(mm) L×W×t	active area(mm)	total thickness	mass(g)	interface
SU5E-06S01 AS-00X	6.0″	138.0×104.0 t=0.35	127.5×94.0	2.7	TBD	UART
SU-039-X00	8.4″	190.5×140.0 t=0.6	172.4×129.8	2.5	46	UART
SU5E-09S01 AS-00X	9.7″	214.8×151.4 t=0.35	204.8×141.5	2.7	26	UART
SU4R-10S10PU-00X	10.4″	231.0×170.8 t=0.6	212.4×159.8	2.9	TBD	USB
SU-1201 E-00X	12.1″	262.7×195.0 t=0.6	247.8×186.3	2.7	87	UART
SU5R-12S02AU-00X	12.1″	259.1×196.0 t=0.35	247.8×186.3	2.7	TBD	USB
SU5R-12W04AU-00X	12.1 [″] wide	271.2×172.5 t=0.35	263.1×165.2	2.7	36	USB
SU-13W02E-00A	13.3″ wide	297.0×190.0 t=0.6	288.1×180.8	2.9	92	USB
SU5E-13W01AS-00X	13.3 [″] wide	296.1×188.8 t=0.35	288.1×180.8	2.7	43	UART
SU-14W07E-00X	14.0 ^{″′} wide	326.2×194.2 t=0.6	307.3×185.2	3.0	103	UART

5. Display Lineup

LCD---Kangaroo type

• E-ink display

LCD Company	Part Number	Size	Resolution
TMD	LTD121KCAV	12.1	XGA
TMD	LTD133KX2S	13.3W	WXGA
Hydis	HV121X03-100	12.1	XGA
Hydis	HV121P01-100	12.1	SXGA+
Hydis	HV121WX4-100	12.1W	WXGA
Hydis	HV121WX5-100	12.1W	WXGA
Hydis	HV121WX6-100	12.1W	WXGA
Hydis	HV121WX1	12.1W	WXGA
Hydis	HT12X21		
Hydis	HV104X01-100	10.4	XGA
AUO		14.1	XGA
CMO		14.1	XGA
NEC			
Samsung			
Sharp			

Size	Model	Resolution
	Number	
5"	ED050SC1	800 x 600
6"	ED060SC3	800 x 600
8"	ED080XC1	1024 x 768
9.7*	ED0970C1	1200 x 825

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6-1. Customizing Digitizer

Condition for digitizer customization

- 1. Minimum Volume: 30K/ year
- 2. There will be NRE and Tooling Cost





6-2. Customizing Digitizer

Sensor Board Design

1. Must be square shape



6-3. Customizing Digitizer

• Sensor Board Design (continued)

4. Digitizer active area needs at lease 1mm buffer from LCD active area at each side





6-4. Customizing Digitizer

- Baby Board Design
 - Only standard design available.
 - Interface connector
 - Connector on digitizer: DF19L-14P-1H (HIROSE) or equivalent
 - Counterpart connector: DF19-14S-1S, DF19G-14S-1C (HIROSE) or equivalent

6-5. Customizing Digitizer

Development Schedule

No.	Step	Lead Time
1	Confirm custom design requirement	
2	Release of tentative shipping specification	At the same time as ES sample shipment
3	ES sample shipment *handmade sample with default firmware	8-10 weeks
4	Customer confirmation of shipping specification	
5	System calibration	2 weeks
6	Customer approval of ES sample	
7	CS sample shipment *tooled sample with final calibrated firmware	8-10 weeks
8	Release of final shipping specification	At the same time as CS sample shipment
8	Customer approval of MP (including shipping specification, FW and CS sample)	
9	MP shipment	8-10 weeks

Note: Lead time stated here is only reference and may change depending on digitizer design. Please confirm the final development schedule with Wacom sales.



7-1. System Designing

Prevention of EM noise problem

Some transformers or coils in the power unit generates EM noise.

To prevent this

- Use transformers or coils that won't allow magnetic flux leakage.
- Place them underneath the shield or in a distance as much as possible from the sensor board.
- Position them so that EM noise flux did not across the sensor board.

EM noise source

- Inverter of LCD back light
- DC to DC converter in power circuit





7-2. System Designing

EM Noise Countermeasure



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7-3. System Designing

EM Noise Countermeasure2



In case of PC in one body, motherboard is located right beneath the Digitizer unit. Coils in the power unit generates the EM noise and it will cause of inaccuracy of the Digitizer.

Shield the COIL with shield plate*1 for better Digitizer quality.

7-4. System Designing

Example of Noise Shield1







7-5. System Designing

Example of Noise Shield2







8-1. System Designing2

Reduction of metal influence

Some metal structure reduces digitizer signal which causes coordinate error.

To prevent this

- Do not use metal for upper case.
- Contact Wacom to make Error calibrated firmware data.

Metal influence source

- LCD metal bezel and lamp cover
- Upper case (if it is made of metal)



Minimize Metal influence



Metal on the digitizer will disturb the EM signal from the pen.



8-3. System Designing2

Bad Example of Metal Parts1

Full Metal Upper Case



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8-4. System Designing2

Bad Example of Metal Parts2

Wrapped by Metal Sheet



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9-1. System Calibration

- Wacom will do following evaluation in order to prevent adverse affect from EM noise and metal parts
 - 1. EM noise environment
 - 2. Coordinate stability
 - 3. Coordinate accuracy
- Wacom will provide FW data and evaluation report.
- Calibration work will take approximately 1-2 weeks.
- Calibration work charge is US\$1,200 per calibration.





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9-2. System Calibration

- EM noise environment
 - EM noise which mimic pen signal can cause digitizer malfunction.
 - Wacom will search the EM noise and measure the level.





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9-3. System Calibration

- Coordinate stability
 - EM noise can cause vibration of coordinate detected by digitizer (jitter).
 - Wacom quantifies the level of jitter by take 100 coordinate data at each spot and calculating standard deviation and max deviation from mean location.





9-4. System Calibration

- Coordinate accuracy before calibration
 - Metal parts or EM noise will disturb digitizer signal and can cause the deterioration of digitizer accuracy.
 - Digitizer signal can be compensated by calibration up to certain level.
 - Wacom measures the accuracy before and after calibration.







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9-5. System Calibration

Coordinate accuracy after calibration





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9-6. System Calibration

- Before sending calibration machine, please check below items.
 - 1. Final design
 - 2. Tooled product
 - 3. All criteria for system design is followed
 - 4. All accessories (eg. AC adaptor) are enclosed
 - 5. Valid OS is installed
 - 6. Wacom stylus (which pen to use with)
 - 7. Assembly drawing to show LCD and digitizer position

• Note:

- Calibration is required for each design. Any material or design changes will need another calibration.
- When several LCDs are applied for one model, FW needs to be created for each LCD.

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10. Driver

• Device Driver

Windows Vista, Windows XP, Windows 2000, Windows CE , Symbian

- Note:
 - for dual touch, standard interface is USB