
AdafruitSSD1306 Library Documentation

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Adafruit CircuitPython driver for SSD1306 or SSD1305 OLED displays. Note that SSD1305 displays are back compatible so they can be used in-place of SSD1306 with the same code and commands.

This driver implements the `adafruit_framebuf` interface. It is **not** the `displayio` driver for the SSD1306. See the [Adafruit CircuitPython DisplayIO SSD1306 driver](#) for `displayio` support.

CHAPTER 1

Dependencies

This driver depends on:

- [Adafruit CircuitPython](#)
- [Bus Device](#)
- [Adafruit framebuffer](#)

Please ensure all dependencies are available on the CircuitPython filesystem. This is easily achieved by downloading the [Adafruit library and driver bundle](#).

Installing from PyPI

On supported GNU/Linux systems like the Raspberry Pi, you can install the driver locally [from PyPI](#). To install for current user:

```
pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-ssd1306
```

To install system-wide (this may be required in some cases):

```
sudo pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-ssd1306
```

To install in a virtual environment in your current project:

```
mkdir project-name && cd project-name
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-ssd1306
```


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Usage Example

```
# Basic example of clearing and drawing pixels on a SSD1306 OLED display.
# This example and library is meant to work with Adafruit CircuitPython API.
# Author: Tony DiCola
# License: Public Domain

# Import all board pins.
from board import SCL, SDA
import busio

# Import the SSD1306 module.
import adafruit_ssd1306

# Create the I2C interface.
i2c = busio.I2C(SCL, SDA)

# Create the SSD1306 OLED class.
# The first two parameters are the pixel width and pixel height. Change these
# to the right size for your display!
display = adafruit_ssd1306.SSD1306_I2C(128, 32, i2c)
# Alternatively you can change the I2C address of the device with an addr parameter:
#display = adafruit_ssd1306.SSD1306_I2C(128, 32, i2c, addr=0x31)

# Clear the display. Always call show after changing pixels to make the display
# update visible!
display.fill(0)

display.show()
```

More examples and details can be found in the [adafruit_framebuf docs](#).

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Contributing

Contributions are welcome! Please read our [Code of Conduct](#) before contributing to help this project stay welcoming.

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Documentation

For information on building library documentation, please check out [this guide](#).

6.1 Simple test

Ensure your device works with this simple test.

Listing 1: examples/ssd1306_simpletest.py

```
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4 # License: Public Domain
5
6 # Import all board pins.
7 from board import SCL, SDA
8 import busio
9
10 # Import the SSD1306 module.
11 import adafruit_ssd1306
12
13
14 # Create the I2C interface.
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25 # update visible!
26 display.fill(0)
27 display.show()
```

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28
29 # Set a pixel in the origin 0,0 position.
30 display.pixel(0, 0, 1)
31 # Set a pixel in the middle 64, 16 position.
32 display.pixel(64, 16, 1)
33 # Set a pixel in the opposite 127, 31 position.
34 display.pixel(127, 31, 1)
35 display.show()

```

6.2 adafruit_ssd1306

MicroPython SSD1306 OLED driver, I2C and SPI interfaces

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```
class adafruit_ssd1306.SSD1306_I2C(width, height, i2c, *, addr=60, external_vcc=False, re-
                                     set=None)
I2C class for SSD1306
```

Parameters

- **width** – the width of the physical screen in pixels,
- **height** – the height of the physical screen in pixels,
- **i2c** – the I2C peripheral to use,
- **addr** – the 8-bit bus address of the device,
- **external_vcc** – whether external high-voltage source is connected.
- **reset** – if needed, DigitalInOut designating reset pin

```
write_cmd(cmd)
```

Send a command to the SPI device

```
write_framebuf()
```

Blast out the frame buffer using a single I2C transaction to support hardware I2C interfaces.

```
class adafruit_ssd1306.SSD1306_SPI(width, height, spi, dc, reset, cs, *, external_vcc=False, bau-
                                     drate=8000000, polarity=0, phase=0)
SPI class for SSD1306
```

Parameters

- **width** – the width of the physical screen in pixels,
- **height** – the height of the physical screen in pixels,
- **spi** – the SPI peripheral to use,
- **dc** – the data/command pin to use (often labeled “D/C”),
- **reset** – the reset pin to use,
- **cs** – the chip-select pin to use (sometimes labeled “SS”).

```
write_cmd(cmd)
```

Send a command to the SPI device

```
write_framebuf()
```

write to the frame buffer via SPI

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