# 4.0inch SPI Module MSP4020&MSP4021 User Manual

## **Product Description**

The LCD module uses a 4-wire SPI communication method with a driver IC of ST7796S with a resolution of 320x480 and a touch function (optional). The module includes an LCD display, backlight control circuitry, and touch screen control circuitry.

## Product Features

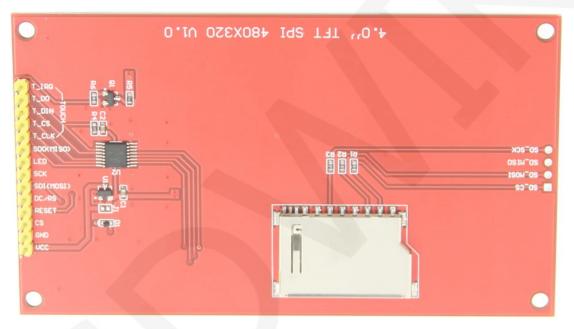
- 4.0-inch color screen, support 65K color display, display rich colors
- 480X320 resolution with optional touch function
- Using the SPI serial bus, it only takes a few IOs to illuminate the display
- Easy to expand the experiment with SD card slot
- Provide a rich sample program
- Military-grade process standards, long-term stable work
- Provide underlying driver technical support

## Product Parameters

Name	Description	
Display Color	RGB 65K color	
SKU	have touch screen: MSP4021	
300	have no touch screen: MSP4020	
Screen Size	4.0(inch)	
Туре	TFT	
Driver IC	ST7796S	
Resolution	480*320 (Pixel)	
Module Interface	4-wire SPI interface	
Active Area	55.68x83.52 (mm)	
Module PCB Size	61.74x108.04(mm)	
Touch Screen Type	Resistive touch screen	

Touch IC	XPT2046
Operating Temperature	-10℃~60℃
Storage Temperature	-20℃~70℃
Operating Voltage	3.3V / 5V
Power Consumption	TBD
Product Weight	have touch screen: 71g
(Package containing)	have no touch screen: 58g

## Interface Description



Picture1. Pin silkscreen picture

Number	Module Pin	Pin Description
1	VCC	LCD power supply is positive (3.3V~5V)
2	GND	LCD Power ground
3	CS	LCD selection control signal(low level enable)
4	RESET	LCD reset control signal(low level reset)
5	DC/RS	LCD command / data selection control signal(high level: data, low level: command)
6	SDI(MOSI)	LCD SPI bus write data signal
7	SCK	LCD SPI bus clock signal

8	LED	LCD backlight control signal (high level lighting, if	
0	22.9	you do not need control, please connect 3.3V)	
9	SDO(MISO)	LCD SPI bus read data signal (can not be connected	
9	300(101130)	if not needed)	
The followin	ng is the touch scre	een signal line wiring, if you do not need to touch function	
or the modu	ule itself does not h	nave touch function, you can not connect them	
10	T_CLK Touch screen SPI bus clock pin		
11	T_CS	Touch screen chip select control pin(low level	
11	1_03	enable)	
12	T_DIN	Touch screen SPI bus write data pin	
13	T_DO	Touch screen SPI bus read data pin	
1.4	TIPO	Touch screen interrupt detection pin(low level when	
14	T_IRQ	touch is detected)	

## Hardware Configuration

The LCD module hardware circuit includes three parts: an LCD display control circuit, a touch screen control circuit, and a backlight control circuit.

The LCD display control circuit is used to control the pins of the LCD, including control pins and data transfer pins.

The touch screen control circuit can control touch screen touch corresponding and touch coordinate reading (touch screen optional).

The backlight control circuit is used to control the backlight to be on and off. Of course, if the backlight is not required to be controlled, the backlight control pin can be directly connected to the 3.3V power supply without using the circuit.

## working principle

### 1. Introduction to ST7796S Controller

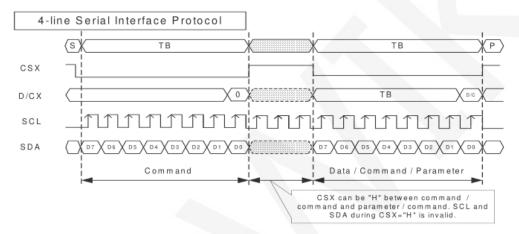
The ST7796S controller supports a maximum resolution of 320\*480 and a 345600-byte GRAM. It also supports 8-bit, 9-bit, 16-bit, and 18-bit parallel port data buses. It also supports 3-wire and 4-wire SPI serial ports. Since parallel control requires a large number of IO ports, the most common one is SPI serial port control. The ST7796S also supports 65K, 262K ,16.7M RGB color display, display color is very rich, while supporting

rotating display and scroll display and video playback, display in a variety of ways.

The ST7796S controller uses 16bit (RGB565) to control a pixel display, so it can display up to 65K colors per pixel. The pixel address setting is performed in the order of rows and columns, and the incrementing and decreasing direction is determined by the scanning mode. The ST7796S display method is performed by setting the address and then setting the color value.

#### 2. Introduction to SPI communication protocol

The 4-wire SPI bus write mode timing is shown in the following figure:

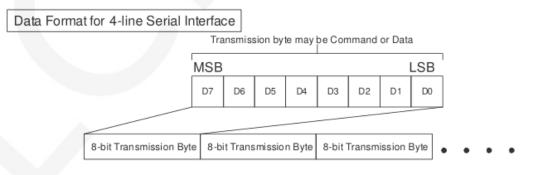


CSX is a slave chip select, and the chip is enabled only when CSX is low.

D/CX is the data/command control pin of the chip. When DCX is low, the command is written. When it is high, the data is written.

SCL is the SPI bus clock, and each rising edge transmits 1 bit of data;

SDA is the data transmitted by SPI, and it transmits 8-bit data at a time. The data format is as shown below:



The high position is in front and transmitted first.

For SPI communication, the data has a transmission timing, that is, a combination of

clock phase (CPHA) and clock polarity (CPOL):

The CPOL level determines the idle state level of the serial synchronous clock, CPOL =

0, which is low. CPOL does not have a lot of impact on the transport protocol;

The level of CPHA determines whether the serial synchronous clock is acquired on the first clock transition edge or the second clock transition edge.

When CPHL = 0, data acquisition is performed on the first edge of the transition;

The combination of the two becomes the four SPI communication methods. SPI0 is usually used in China, that is, CPHL = 0, CPOL = 0.

## Instructions for use

#### 1. Arduino instructions

Wiring instructions:

Arduino UNO microcontroller test program wiring		
Number	Module Pin	Corresponding to UNO development board wiring pins
1	SDO(MISO)	12
2	LED	AO
3	SCK	13
4	SDI(MOSI)	11
5	DC/RS	A3
6	RESET	A4
7	CS	A5
8	GND	GND
9	VCC	5V/3.3V
10	T_IRQ	6
11	T_DO	4
12	T_DIN	5
13	T_CS	2
14	T_CLK	3

Arduino MEGA2560 microcontroller test program wiring		
Number	Module Pin	Corresponding to MEGA2560 development board wiring pins
1	SDO(MISO)	50
2	LED	A0
3	SCK	52
4	SDI(MOSI)	51
5	DC/RS	A3
6	RESET	A4
7	CS	A5
8	GND	GND
9	VCC	5V/3.3V
10	T_IRQ	49
11	T_DO	47
12	T_DIN	48
13	T_CS	45
14	T_CLK	46

#### **Operating Steps:**

- A. Connect the LCD module and the Arduino MCU according to the above wiring instructions, and power on;
- B. Copy the dependent libraries in the Install libraries directory of the test package to the libraries folder of the Arduino project directory (the default Arduino project directory is C:\Users\Administrator\ Documents\Arduino\libraries.if you do not need to depend on the libraries, you do not need to copy them);
- C. Open the directory where the Arduino test program is located and select the example you want to test, as shown below:

(Please refer to the test program description document in the test package for the test program description)

4.0inch > 4.0inch\_SPI\_Module\_ST7796S\_MSP4020&MSP4021\_V1.0 > 1-Demo > Demo\_Arduino >

名称	
<ul> <li>Demo_Mega2560_Hardware_SPI</li> <li>Demo_Mega2560_Software_SPI</li> <li>Demo_UNO_Hardware_SPI</li> <li>Demo_UNO_Software_SPI</li> </ul>	m
Install libraries - Test program Dependen	nt library
4.0inch_SPI_Module_Arduino_Demo_Instructions_CN.pdf 4.0inch_SPI_Module_Arduino_Demo_Instructions_EN.pdf	<ul> <li>Test program Chinese and</li> <li>English documentation</li> </ul>

D. Open the selected sample project, compile and download.

The specific operation methods for the Arduino test program relying on library

copy, compile and download are as follows:

http://www.lcdwiki.com/res/PublicFile/Arduino IDE Use Illustration EN.pdf

E. If the LCD module displays characters and graphics normally, the program runs successfully;

#### 2. C51 instructions

#### Wiring instructions:

STC89C52RC and STC12C5A60S2 microcontroller test program wiring instructions		
Number	Module Pin	Corresponding to STC89/STC12 development board wiring pin
1	VCC	5V/3.3V
2	GND	GND
3	CS	P13
4	RESET	P33
5	DC/RS	P12
6	SDI(MOSI)	P15
7	SCK	P17
8	LED	P32
9	SDO(MISO)	P16
10	T_CLK	P36
11	T_CS	Р37

12	T_DIN	P34
13	T_DO	P35
14	T_IRQ	P40

#### **Operating Steps:**

- A. Connect the LCD module and the C51 MCU according to the above wiring instructions, and power on;
- B. Select the C51 test program to be tested, as shown below:

(Please refer to the test program description document in the test package for the

test program description)

4.0inch ▶ 4.0inch_SPI_Module_ST7796S_MSP4020&MSP4021_V1.0 ▶ 1-Demo ▶ Demo_C51 ▶
名称 Demo_STC12C5A60S2_Hardware_SPI Demo_STC12C5A60S2_Software_SPI Demo_STC89C52RC_Software_SPI
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C. Open the selected test program project, compile and download;

detailed description of the C51 test program compilation and download can be

found in the following document:

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D. If the LCD module displays characters and graphics normally, the program runs successfully;

#### 3. STM32 instructions

#### Wiring instructions:

STM32F103RCT6 microcontroller test program wiring instructions		
Number	Number         Module Pin         Corresponding to MiniSTM32           development board wiring pin	
1	1 VCC 5V/3.3V	

2	GND	GND
3	CS	PB11
4	RESET	PB12
5	DC/RS	PB10
6	SDI(MOSI)	PB15
7	SCK	PB13
8	LED	PB9
9	SDO(MISO)	PB14
10	T_CLK	PCO
11	T_CS	PC13
12	T_DIN	PC3
13	T_DO	PC2
14	T_IRQ	PC10

STM32F103ZET6 microcontroller test program wiring instructions				
Number	Module Pin	Corresponding to Elite STM32 development board wiring pin		
1	VCC	5V/3.3V		
2	GND	GND		
3	CS	PB11		
4	RESET	PB12		
5	DC/RS	PB10		
6	SDI(MOSI)	PB15		
7	SCK	PB13		
8	LED	PB9		
9	SDO(MISO)	PB14		
10	T_CLK	РСО		

11	T_CS	PC13
12	T_DIN	PC3
13	T_DO	PC2
14	T_IRQ	PC10

STM32F407ZGT6	microcontroller	test program wiring
	instructions	

Number	Module Pin	Corresponding to Explorer STM32F4 development board wiring pin
1	VCC	5V/3.3V
2	GND	GND
3	CS	PB15
4	RESET	PB12
5	DC/RS	PB14
6	SDI(MOSI)	PB5
7	SCK	PB3
8	LED	PB13
9	SDO(MISO)	PB4
10	T_CLK	РВО
11	T_CS	PC5
12	T_DIN	PF11
13	T_DO	PB2
14	T_IRQ	PB1

STM32F429IGT6 microcontroller test program wiring instructions			
Number	Module Pin         Corresponding to Apollo STM32F4/F7           development board wiring pin		
1	VCC	5V/3.3V	
2	GND	GND	

3	CS	PD11	
4	RESET	PD12	
5	DC/RS	PD5	
6	SDI(MOSI)	PF9	
7	SCK	PF7	
8	LED	PD6	
9	SDO(MISO)	PF8	
10	T_CLK	PH6	
11	T_CS	PI8	
12	T_DIN	PI3	
13	T_DO	PG3	
14	T_IRQ	PH11	

STM32F767IGT6,STM32H743IIT6 microcontroller test program wiring instructions				
Number	Module Pin Corresponding to Apollo STM32F4/F7 development board wiring pin			
1	VCC	5V/3.3V		
2	GND	GND		
3	CS	PD11		
4	RESET	PD12		
5	DC/RS	PD5		
6	SDI(MOSI)	PB15		
7	SCK	PB13		
8	LED	PD6		
9	SDO(MISO)	PB14		
10	T_CLK	PH6		
11	T_CS	PI8		
12	T_DIN	PI3		

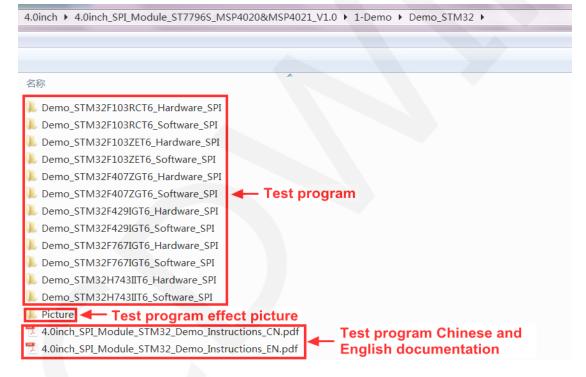
13	T_DO	PG3
14	T_IRQ	PH11

#### **Operating Steps:**

- Connect the LCD module and the STM32 MCU according to the above wiring instructions, and power on;
- B. Select the test example according to the model of the microcontroller, as shown in the following figure:

(Please refer to the test program description document in the test package for

the test program description)



C. Open the selected test program project, compile and download;

detailed description of the STM32 test program compilation and download can be found in the following document:

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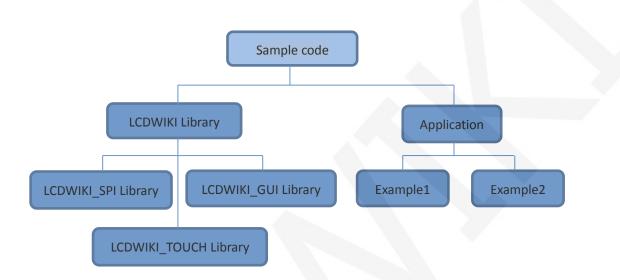
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## Software Description

#### **1. Code Architecture**

#### A. Arduino code architecture description

The code architecture is shown below:



Arduino's test program code consists of two parts: the LCDWIKI library and application code.

The LCDWIKI library consists of three parts: the LCDWIKI\_SPI library, the

LCDWIKI\_GUI library, and the LCDWIKI\_TOUCH library.

The application contains several test examples, each of which contains different test content.

LCDWIKI\_SPI is the underlying library, which is associated with hardware. It is mainly responsible for operating registers, including hardware module initialization, data and command transmission, pixel coordinates and color settings, and display mode configuration.

LCDWIKI\_GUI is a middle-tier library, which is responsible for drawing graphics and displaying characters using the API provided by the underlying library.

LCDWIKI\_TOUCH is the underlying library of touch screens, mainly responsible for touch interrupt detection, touch data sampling and AD conversion, and touch data

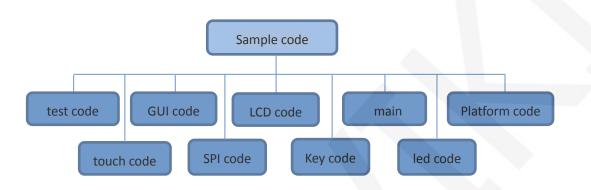
transmission.

The application uses the API provided by the LCDWIKI library to write some test

examples to implement some aspects of the test function.

#### B. C51 and STM32 code architecture description

The code architecture is shown below:



The Demo API code of the main program runtime is included in the test code;

LCD initialization and related operations are included in the LCD code;

Drawing points, lines, graphics, and Chinese and English character display related operations are included in the GUI code;

The main function implements the application to run;

Platform code varies by platform;

Touch screen related operations are included in the touch code;

SPI initialization and configuration related operations are included in the SPI code;

The key processing related code is included in the key code (the C51 platform does not have a button processing code);

The code related to the led configuration operation is included in the led code;

#### 2. software SPI and hardware SPI description

The LCD module provides software SPI and hardware SPI sample code (except STC89C52RC, because it does not have hardware SPI function), the two sample code does not make any difference in the display content, but the following aspects are different:

#### A. display speed

The hardware SPI is significantly faster than the software SPI, which is determined by the hardware.

#### **B.** GPIO definition

The software SPI all control pins must be defined, any idle pin can be used, the hardware SPI data and clock signal pins are fixed (depending on the platform), other control pins should be defined by themselves, or any idle reference can be used. foot.

#### C. initialization

When the software SPI is initialized, only the GPIO for pin definition needs to be initialized (not required by the C51 platform). When the hardware SPI is initialized, the relevant control registers and data registers need to be initialized.

#### 3. GPIO definition description

#### A. Arduino test program GPIO definition description

The LCD screen and touch screen GPIO definitions of the Arduino test program are placed separately in each application, which means that each application can flexibly define GPIO according to requirements. As shown below (take UNO software SPI test program as an example):

//param	ters o	defin	е	
#define	MODEI	L ILI	9341	
#define	CS	A5		
#define	CD	A3		
#define	RST	A4		LCD GPIO definition
#define	MOSI	11		-
#define	MISO	12		
#define	SCK	13		
#define	LED	AO	//if	you don't need to control the I
//touch	scree	en pa	ramte	rs define
#define	TCS	2		
#define #define				
	TCLK	3	=	Touch screen GPIO definition

Note: The touch screen GPIO is defined using the touch test program.

#### B. C51 test program GPIO definition description

#define TIRQ 6

The GPIO definition related to the LCD of the C51 is placed in the lcd.h file as shown

below:

//I0连接		
<pre>sbit LCD_RS = P1^2;</pre>	//数据/命令切换	
<pre>sbit LCD_SDI = P1^5;</pre>	//SPI写	
<pre>sbit LCD_SDO = P1^6;</pre>		
<pre>sbit LCD_CS = P1^3;</pre>		
<pre>sbit LCD_CLK = P1^7;</pre>	//SPI时钟	
sbit LCD_RESET = P3^C		
<pre>sbit LCD_BL=P3^2; /</pre>	//背光控制,如果不需要控制,	接3.3V

If the software SPI is used, all pin definitions can be modified and can be defined as any other free GPIO.

If hardware SPI is used, the LCD\_BL, LCD\_RS, LCD\_CS, and LCD\_RST pin

definitions can be modified and can be defined as any other free GPIO. LCD\_CLK

and LCD\_SDI do not need to be defined.

The touch screen related GPIO definition is placed in the touch.h file, as shown below (take the STC12C5A60S2 microcontroller test program as an example):

sfr	P4	$= 0 \times C0;$		
sbit	DCLK	= P	3^6;	
sbit	TCS	=	P3^7;	
sbit	DIN	=	P3^4;	
sbit	DOUT	=	P3^5;	
sbit	Penirq	=	P4^0;	//检测触摸屏响应信号

The GPIO definition of the touch screen can be modified and can be defined as any

other free GPIO.

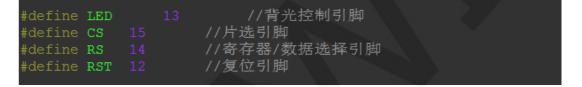
If the microcontroller does not have a P4 GPIO group, penirq can be defined as other

GPIOs.

#### C. STM32 test program GPIO definition description

The STM32 LCD screen non-SPI GPIO definition is placed in lcd.h, as shown below

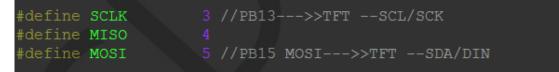
(take STM32F103RCT6 microcontroller test program as an example):



All pin definitions can be modified and can be defined as any other free GPIO.

The GPIO definition of the STM32 LCD SPI is placed in spi.h as shown below (take

the STM32F103RCT6 microcontroller test program as an example):



If the software SPI is used, all pin definitions can be modified and can be defined as any other free GPIO.

If hardware SPI is used, these pins do not need to be defined. At the same time, the

SCLK, MISO and MOSI pins need to be initialized and removed in the LCD\_GPIOInit

function in the lcd.c file, as shown in the following figure (take

the STM32F103RCT6 microcontroller test program as an example):

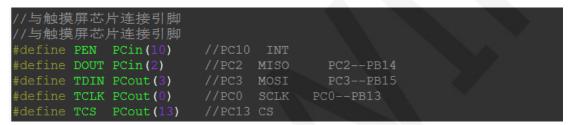


The contents of the red circle must be removed.

The GPIO definition related to the STM32 touch screen is placed in the touch.h file as

shown below (take the STM32F103RCT6 microcontroller test program as an

example):



Modify the value in the brackets, all pin definitions can be modified, can be defined as any other free GPIO.

#### 4. SPI communication code implementation

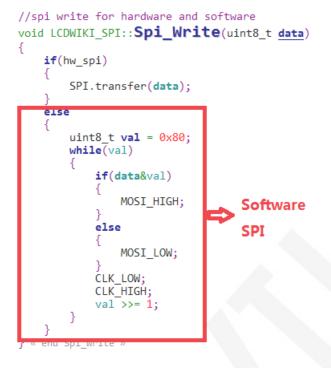
#### A. Arduino test program SPI communication code implementation

Hardware SPI communication is implemented by the system. We only need to

operate the register and call the relevant function. For details, please refer to the

MCU related documentation.

The software SPI communication code is implemented in the LCDWIKI\_SPI.cpp file of the LCDWIKI\_SPI library, as shown below:



If the transmitted data bit is 1, the SPI data pin is pulled high. When it is 0, the SPI data pin is pulled low, one byte of data is transferred each time, the upper bit is first, and one bit of data is transmitted on each rising edge of the clock.

#### B. C51 and STM32 test program SPI communication code implementation

Hardware SPI communication is implemented by the system. We only need to operate the register and call the relevant function. For details, please refer to the MCU related documentation.

The software SPI communication code is implemented in lcd.c and spi.c respectively, and the software SPI implementation method is the same, as shown in the following figure:



If the transmitted data bit is 1, the SPI data pin is pulled high. When it is 0, the SPI data pin is pulled low, one byte of data is transferred each time, the upper bit is first, and one bit of data is transmitted on each rising edge of the clock.

#### 5. touch screen calibration instructions

#### A. Arduino test program touch screen calibration instructions

Arduino touch screen calibration needs to run the touch\_screen\_calibration program first, and then calibrate according to the prompts. After the calibration is passed, the calibration parameters displayed on the screen need to be written into the cali\_para.h file of the LCDWIKI\_TOUCH library, as shown below:

```
//for resolution 240x320,the calibration parameter is 663,-13,894,-30
//for resolution 320x480,the calibration parameter is 852,-14,1284,-30
```

```
#define XFAC 852 //663
#define XOFFSET (-14) //(-13)
#define YFAC 1284 //894
#define YOFFSET (-30)
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#### B. C51 test program touch screen calibration instructions

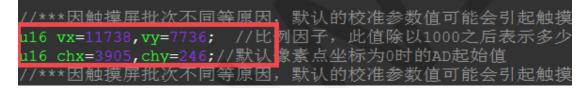
The C51 touch screen calibration needs to execute the Touch\_Adjust test item (only available in the STC12C5A60S2 test program), as shown below:

LCDWIKI

//循环进行各项测试 while(1) {
main test();  //测试主界面
Test Color(); //简单刷屏填充测试
Test FillRec(); //GUI矩形绘图测试
Test <sup>-</sup> Circle();  //GUI画圆测试
Test_Triangle(); //GUI三角形填充测试
English_Font_test();//英文字体示例测试
Chinese_Font_test();//中文字体示例测试
Pic_test(); //图片显示示例测试
Rotate_Test();
//不使用触摸或者模块本身不带触摸,请屏蔽下面触摸屏测试
Touch_Test(): //            //
//需要触摸校准时,请将触摸手写测试屏蔽,将下面触摸校准测试项打开
// Touch_Adjust(); //触摸校准

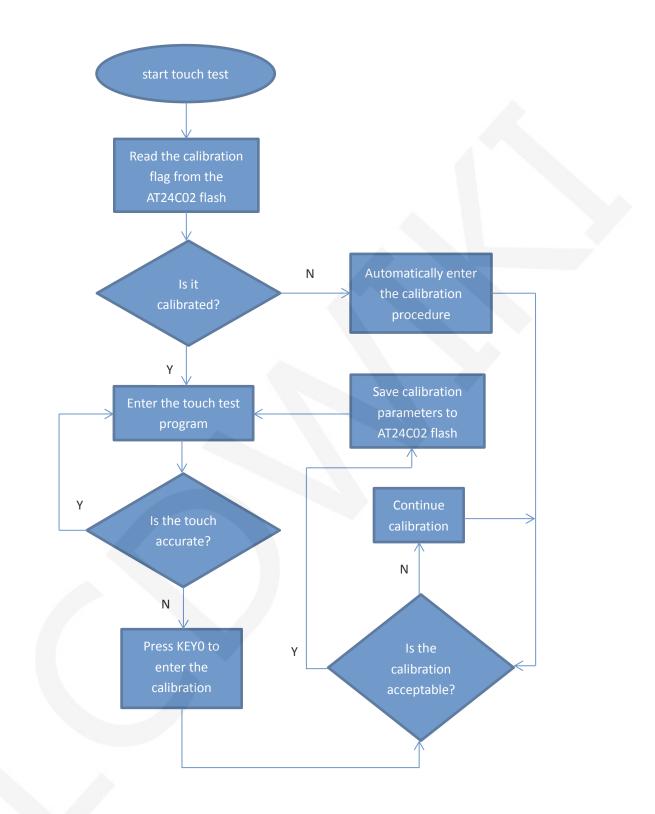
After the touch calibration is passed, you need to save the calibration parameters

displayed on the screen in the touch.c file, as shown below:



#### C. STM32 test program touch screen calibration instructions

The STM32 touch screen calibration program automatically recognizes whether calibration is required or manually enters calibration by pressing a button. It is included in the touch screen test item. The calibration mark and calibration parameters are saved in the AT24C02 flash. If necessary, read from the flash. The calibration process is as shown below:



## Common software

This set of test examples requires the display of Chinese and English, symbols and

pictures, so the modulo software is used. There are two types of modulo software:

Image2Lcd and PCtoLCD2002. Here is only the setting of the modulo software for the test program.

The **PCtoLCD2002** modulo software settings are as follows:

Dot matrix format select Dark code

the modulo mode select the progressive mode

Take the model to choose the direction (high position first)

Output number system selects hexadecimal number

Custom format selection C51 format

The specific setting method is as follows:

http://www.lcdwiki.com/Chinese\_and\_English\_display\_modulo\_settings

Image2Lcd modulo software settings are shown below:



The Image2Lcd software needs to be set to horizontal, left to right, top to bottom, and low position to the front scan mode.