

Grove Base Hat for Raspberry Pi



Today, the grove series of sensors, actuators, and displays have grown into a large family. More and more grove modules will join the whole Grove ecosystem in the future. We see the Grove helps makers, engineers, teachers, students and even artists to build, to make, to create...We always feel it is our responsibility to make the Grove module compatible with more platforms. Now we bring you the Grove Base Hat for Raspberry Pi and Grove Base Hat for Raspberry Pi Zero, in another word, we bring the Raspberry Pi the whole Grove System.

The Grove Base Hat for Raspberry Pi provide Digital/Analog/I2C/PWM/UART port to meet all your needs. With the help of build-in MCU, a 12-bit 8 channel ADC is also available for Raspberry Pi.

Frankly speaking, it's about 60 Grove modules support the Grove Base Hat for Raspberry Pi now. However, we will continue to add new compatible modules, the more you use, the more grove added.

Features

- Support Raspberry 2/ 3 B/B+ Zero
- build-in MCU
- 12-bit ADC
- Multi-type Grove port

Specification

Item	Value
Operating Voltage	3.3V
MCU	STM32
ADC	12-bit 8 channel
Grove Port	6 Digital 4 Analog 3 I2C 1 PWM 1UART
Raspberry pi communication bus	12C
I2C Address	0x04

Attention

The operating voltage is 3.3V, please do not input more than 3.3V, otherwise it may damage the Raspberry Pi. Moreover, this hat can not work with 5V grove module via grove port, please use 3.3V compatible Grove module.

Hardware Overview

Pin Out

Overview



GPIO

The same pin out as the raspberry pi.



PWM(pulse-width modulation)

The Grove PWM Port connect to GPIO/BCM pin12(PWM0) and GPIO/BCM pin13(PWM1), which is the hardware PWM pin of Raspberry Pi, in addition, you can use all the GPIO pin as the soft PWM pin.

Note

0- All the silkscreen layer pin number besides the Grove port is the BCM pin number. The difference between BCM pins and the physical pins please refer to here

1- Compared with hardware PWM, the software PWM isn't so accurate and will have trouble at high frequencies.

2- The GPIO/BCM pin18 is also marked as PWM0, actually the GPIO/BCM 12 and the GPIO/BCM 18 share the same PWM channel, so they can't set to different rate.

3- The audio jack output also uses PWM 0 and PWM 1, so you can't have audio output on that socket and use the PWMs at the same time.



UART

The Grove UART port connect to the GPIO14(UART0 TX) and GPIO15(UART0 RX). UART is commonly used on the Pi as a convenient way to control it over the GPIO, or access the kernel boot messages from the serial console (enabled by default). It can also be used as a way to interface an Arduino, bootloaded ATmega, ESP8266, etc with your Pi.



Digital

There are 6 digital Grove sockets in this board, normally the yellow wire(which connect to the top pin of the 4 pins Grove socket as) of Grove cable is the signal wire, so we name the digital Grove port **D5/D16/D18/D22/D24/D26**.



Analog

As we know, there is no ADC in the Raspberry Pi, so it can not work with analog sensor directly. Now with the help of the build-in MCU STM32, the Grove base hat can work as an external 12-bit ADC, which means you can use analog sensor with your Raspberry Pi. Even more pleasing is that not one but four analog Grove sockets are available.

The analog sensor inputs the analog voltage into the 12-bit ADC. After the ADC convert the analog data to digital data, it input the digital data to the Raspberry Pi through the I2C interface.



I2C

There are three I2C port available in this board, they all connect to the I2C pin of the raspberry directly. You can consider this part as an I2C hub. Most of seeed's new grove modules have I2C interface, you may find those three port is extremely useful.



SWD

We use SWD port to burn the firmware to this hat. In addition, you can see 3 GPIO pins in this section, i.e., pin 9/pin 10/pin 11. Those three pins do not used by any Grove port, you are free to use them without worrying about pin conflicts.



Getting Started Hardware Materials required

- -- Raspberry Pi x1 -- Grove Base Hat for Raspberry Pi x1
- -- Grove module
- Step 1. Plug the Grove Base Hat for Raspberry Pi into the Raspberry Pi.
- Step 2. Plug the Grove module into the corresponding Grove port.
- Step 3. Power the Raspberry Pi with micro-usb cable.

Warning

We recommend that you power up the Raspberry Pis after all the hardware connections are complete. Please do not hot plug the sensor module, otherwise the Raspberry Pi may crash.

Software

In this section we will introduce how to install the seeed grove.py library and how to use I2C, PWM, Digital and analog port of the Grove Base Hat for Raspberry Pi.

Tip

If you do not know how to use a raspberry pi, please check here before start.

Archtecture

To operate grove sensors, the grove.py depends many hardware interface libraries such as mraa/smbus2/rpi.gpi/rpi_ws281x.



Installation

Online one-click installation

One-click installation, quick start, what ever you call, with the single command below, we can install/update all dependencies and latest grove.py.

lcurl -sL https://github.com/Seeed-Studio/grove.py/raw/master/install.sh |
sudo bash -s -

Success

if everything goes well, you will see the following notice.

Step by step installation

Besides the one-click installation, you can also install all the dependencies and latest grove.py step by step. Please refer to our github page for more information.

Step by step installation

You can check the source file by cloning the grove.py library.

```
lgit clone https://github.com/Seeed-Studio/grove.py
```

Usage

Now you can use the Grove Base Hat for Raspberry Pi with dozens Grove modules, tap the command grove_ and press the Tab key to check the supported Grove list.

lpi@raspberrypi:~\$ grove_ 2grove_3_axis_compass_bmm150 3grove_mini_pir_motion_sensor 4grove_temperature_sensor 5grove_4_digit_display 6grove_moisture_sensor 7grove_thumb_joystick 8grove_air_quality_sensor_v1_3 9grove_oled_display_128x64 grove_tilt_switch grove_button grove_piezo_vibration_sensor grove_touch_sensor grove_collision_sensor grove_pwm_buzzer grove_ultrasonic_ranger grove_gesture_sensor grove_recorder_v3_0 grove_water_sensor grove_high_accuracy_temperature grove_mech_keycap grove_relay pi@raspberrypi:~\$ grove_

grove_i2c_color_sensor_v2 grove_rotary_angle_sensor grove_i2c_color_sensor_v2

grove_i2c_motor_driver grove_ryb_led_button

grove_lcd_1.2inches grove_servo

grove_led grove_slide_potentiometer

grove_light_sensor_v1_2 grove_sound_sensor

grove loudness sensor grove_switch

grove_temperature_humidity_sensor

Then we will show you how to use them according to port type.

PWM Port

We will take the <u>Grove - buzzer</u> for example to introduce the PWM port.

Hardware connection diagram



Tap the following command sudo grove_pwm_buzzer in the command line interface.

```
lpi@raspberrypi:~$ sudo grove_pwm_buzzer
2Insert Grove-Buzzer to Grove-Base-Hat slot PWM[12 13 VCC GND]
3
43800
53400
63000
72900
82550
92270
102000
11 exiting application
```

The buzzer will ring a few times and then stop, the program will automatically exit.

Digital Port

We will take the <u>Grove - Ultrasonic Ranger</u> for example to introduce the Digital port.

Hardware connection diagram



Tap the following command grove_ultrasonic_ranger 5 6 in the command line interface.

```
1pi@raspberrypi:~$ grove_ultrasonic_ranger 5 6
2Detecting distance...
36.979909436456088 cm
47.966469074117726 cm
512.451204760321255 cm
615.184797089675378 cm
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717.429220265355603 cm
818.73230112010035 cm
920.717752390894397 cm
1019.83807004731277 cm
1117.3059003106479 cm
12
13 ^CTraceback (most recent call last):
14 File "/usr/local/bin/grove_ultrasonic_ranger", line 11, in <module>
15 load_entry_point('grove.py==0.5', 'console_scripts',
16 'grove_ultrasonic_ranger')()
17 File "/usr/local/lib/python3.5/dist-
18packages/grove/grove_ultrasonic_ranger.py", line 107, in main
time.sleep(1)
KeyboardInterrupt
```

When you change the distance between the Grove - Ultrasonic Ranger and the target object, the measurment value will change accordingly. Press Ctrl+C to quit.

Attention

For most grove module, you need to add the pin number parameter, like grove_ultrasonic_ranger 5 6, 5 and 6 are the GPIO/BCM pin. However, you may have noticed that in the first example grove_pwm_buzzer, we didn't add a parameter after the command. This is because the PWM port and I2C port do not require pin number parameters. You can find the pin number silkscreen just besides the Grove sokect.

Analog Port

We will take the Grove - Air quality sensor v1.3 for example to introduce the Analog port.

Hardware connection diagram



Tap the following command grove_air_quality_sensor_v1_3 0 1 in the command line interface.

```
lpi@raspberrypi:~$ grove_air_quality_sensor_v1_3 0 1
 2 Detecting ...
 362, Air Quality OK.
 463, Air Quality OK.
 561, Air Quality OK.
 661, Air Quality OK.
 759, Air Quality OK.
 862, Air Quality OK.
 960, Air Quality OK.
1060, Air Quality OK.
1159, Air Quality OK.
1260, Air Quality OK.
1360, Air Quality OK.
1460, Air Quality OK.
15
1657, Air Quality OK.
17 ^CTraceback (most recent call last):
18 File "/usr/local/bin/grove_air_quality_sensor_v1_3", line 11, in <module>
19
      load entry point('grove.py==0.5', 'console scripts',
20 'grove_air_quality_sensor_v1_3')()
21 File "/usr/local/lib/python3.5/dist-
22packages/grove/grove_air_quality_sensor_v1_3.py", line 68, in main
      time.sleep(.1)
  KeyboardInterrupt
```

You can use this sensor to detect the air quality. Press Ctrl+C to quit.

Notice

You may have noticed that for the analog port, the silkscreen pin number is something like **A1**, **A0**, however in the command we use parameter **0** and **1**, just the same as digital port. So please make sure you plug the module into the correct port, otherwise there may be pin conflicts.

I2C

We will take the Grove - OLED Display 128x64 for example to introduce the I2C port.

Hardware connection diagram



Tap the following command grove_oled_display_128x64 in the command line interface.

```
lpi@raspberrypi:~$ grove_oled_display_128x64
2pi@raspberrypi:~$
```

It seems nothing happened, however you can find the most famous sentence in the cyber world if you check your oled.

Note

If you use the I2C tool to scan the I2C address of the grove module, you may find two or more address. 0x04 is the adrress of the Grove Base Hat for Raspberry Pi.

Resources

- [Zip] Grove Base Hat for Raspberry Pi Eagle Files
- [Zip] Seeed Grove.py Library
- [Zip] Firmware
- [PDF] STM32 Datasheet

Tech Support

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