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# HIF2132A

## Designing Stylish HMIs with Microchip's Graphics Library and Visual Graphics Display Designer using PIC32 LCC Graphics

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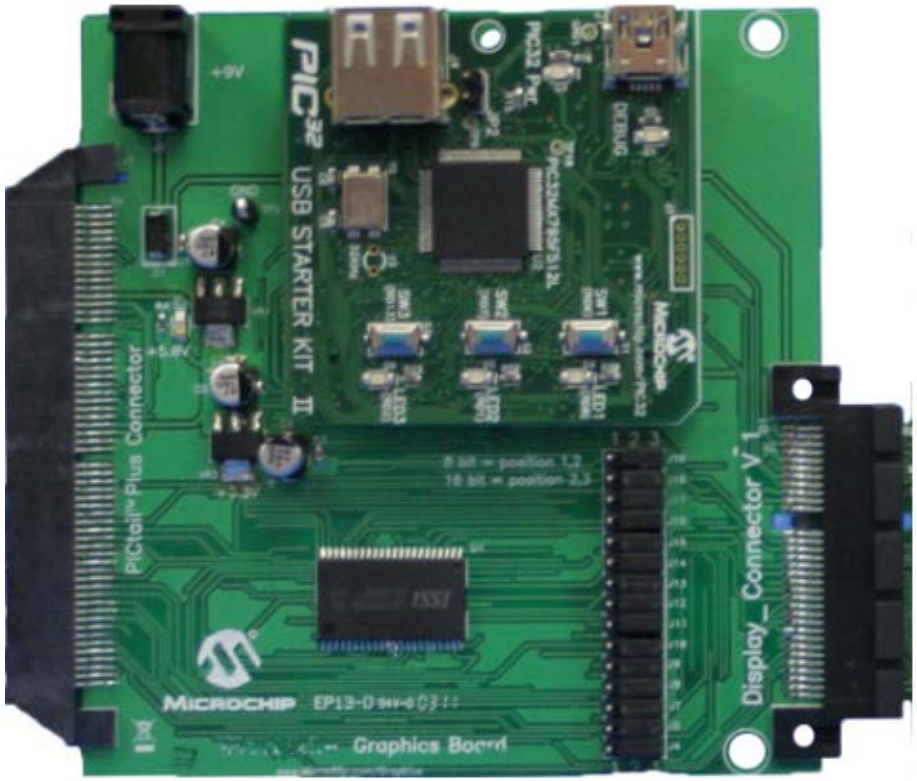
# The Board




- PSRAM for external frame buffer.
- Internal/External Memory Jumpers
- Part Number:
  - AC164144

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# Class Objectives

**After this class you will be able to:**

- **Use a PC based graphical design tool to create a customized user interface code template.**
- **Implement application callback functions to allow users to fully interact with the system**
- **Use advanced features in Microchip's Graphics Library to enhance your GUI appearance**
- **Learn about the LCC Graphics Solution**

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# Agenda

- Microchip Graphics Library Intro
- Graphics Basics and Terminology
  - Colors and Images
  - Fonts
  - Widgets and Style Schemes
- Lab 1 – Creating a Splash Screen
- Lab 2 – Creating a Simple Icon Menu
- Interfacing the User (Message Interface)
- Lab 3 – User Interface using Message Callback
- Advanced Features (Drawing Callback)

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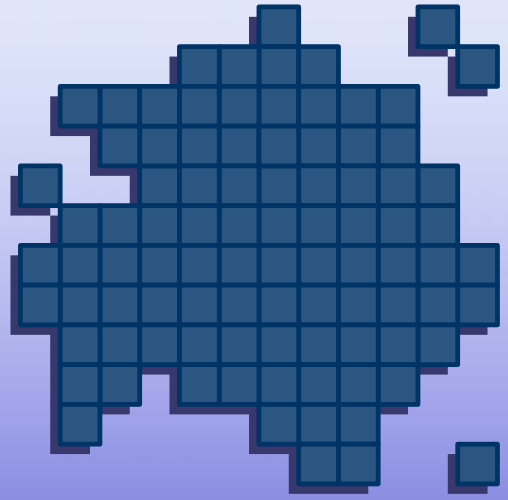
# Agenda

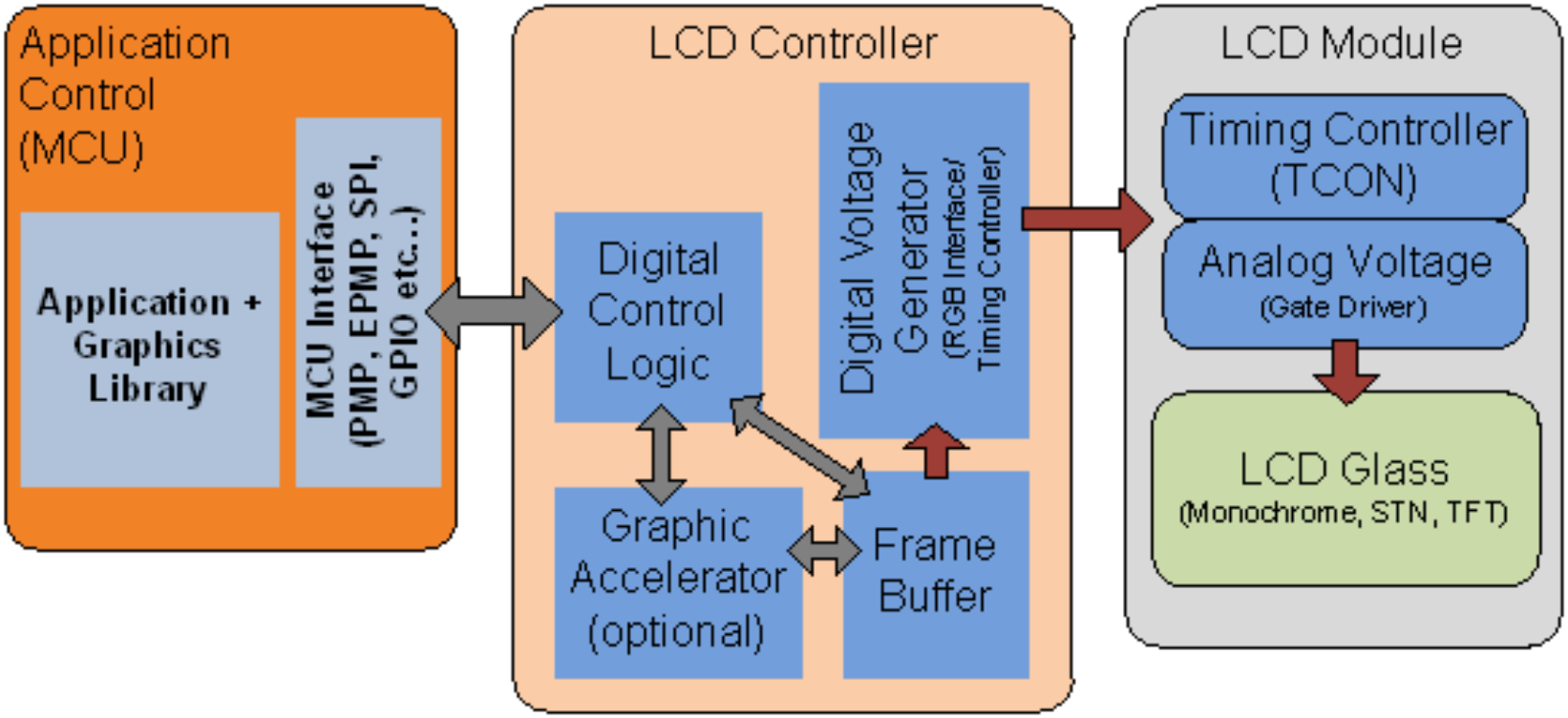
- LCC Interfacing to TFT LCD Panels
- PIC32 Peripherals Used for Graphics
  - DMA
  - PMP
- Controller/Driver Tasks
- Lab 4 – LCC and Primitive Layer Demo
- Customizing for YOUR application
- Summary



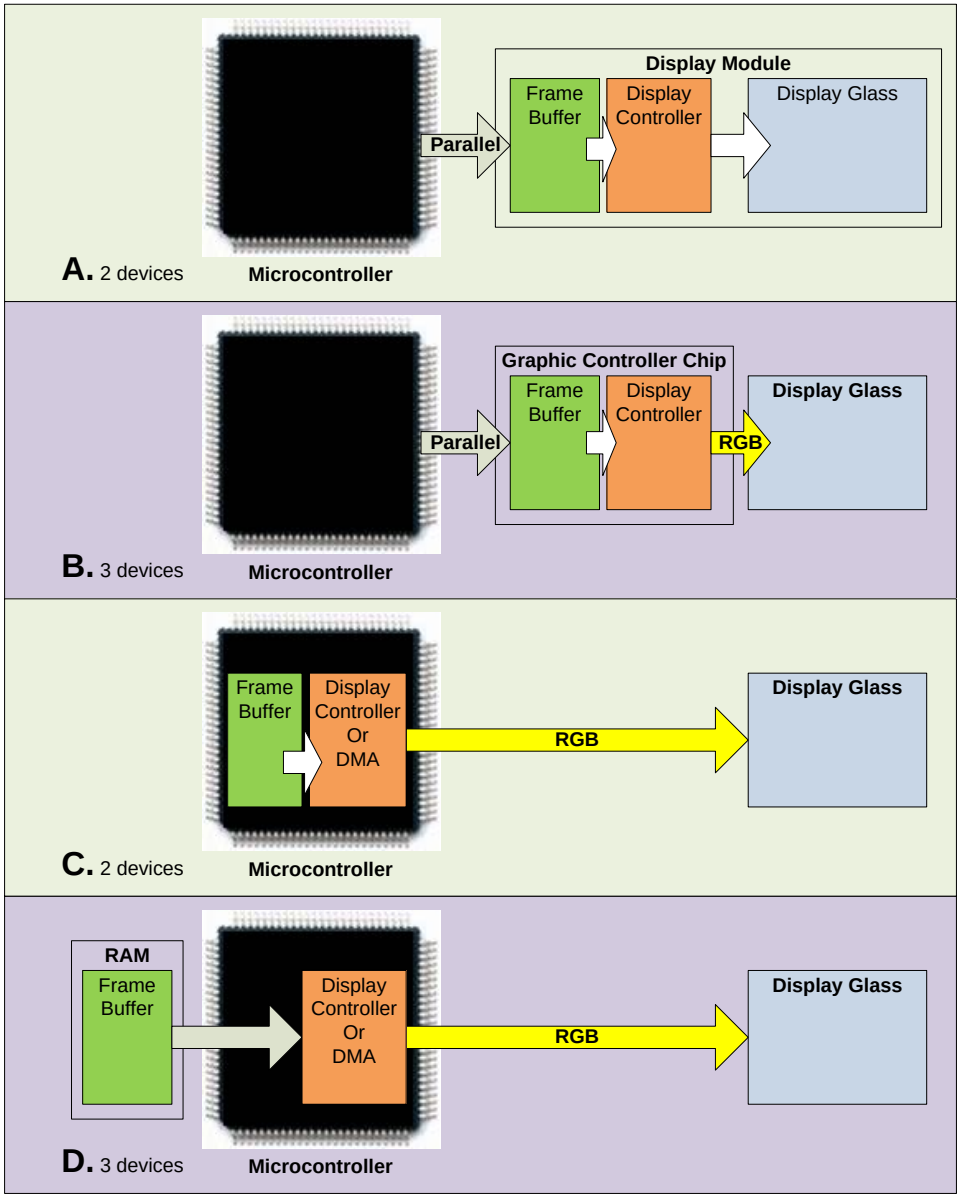
# Embedded Graphics Systems

Overview

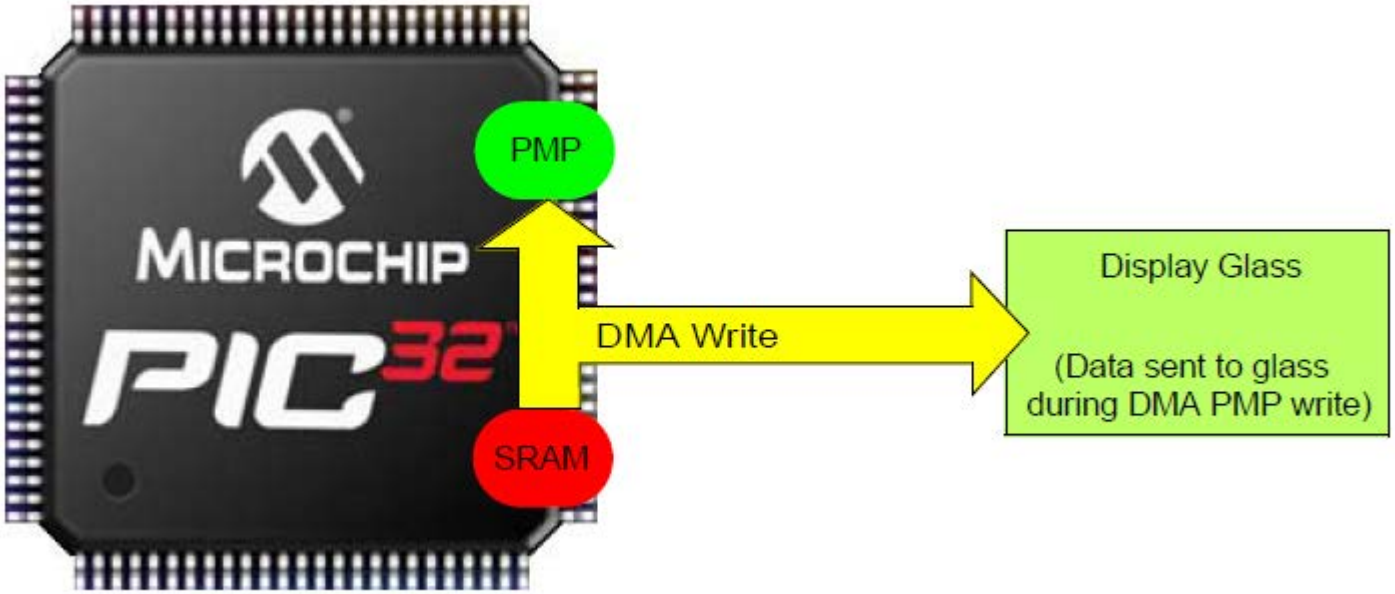
# How it works …



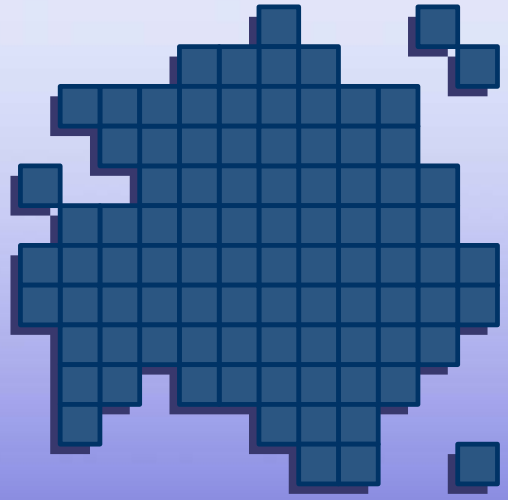
# Summary of Graphical Setups



# LCC Controllerless method



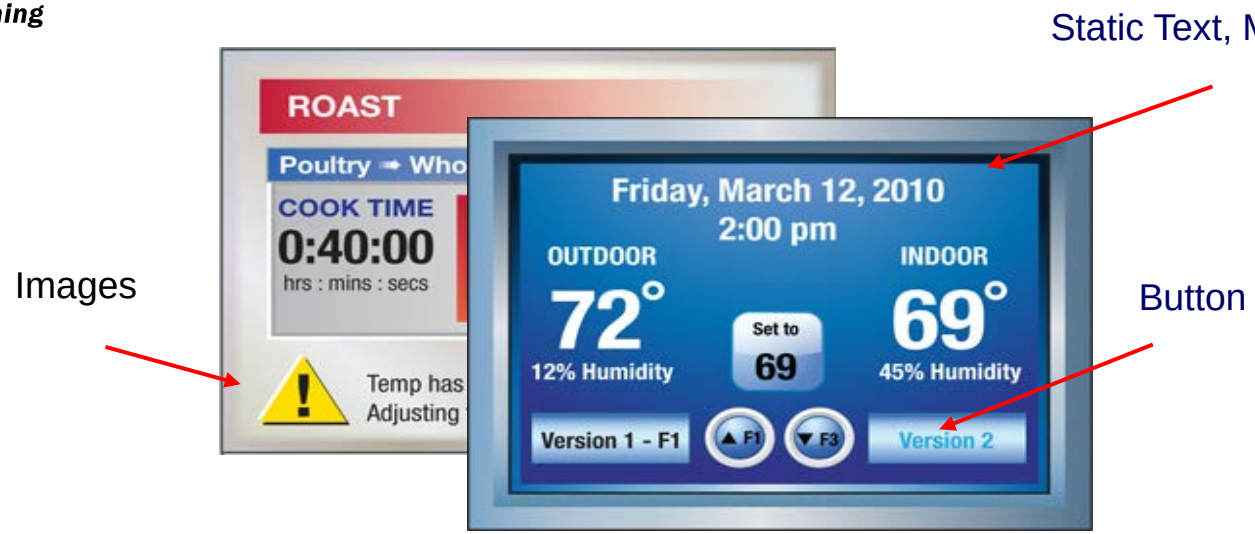

- **Cost Effective**
- **Works on many platforms**



# Microchip Graphics Library

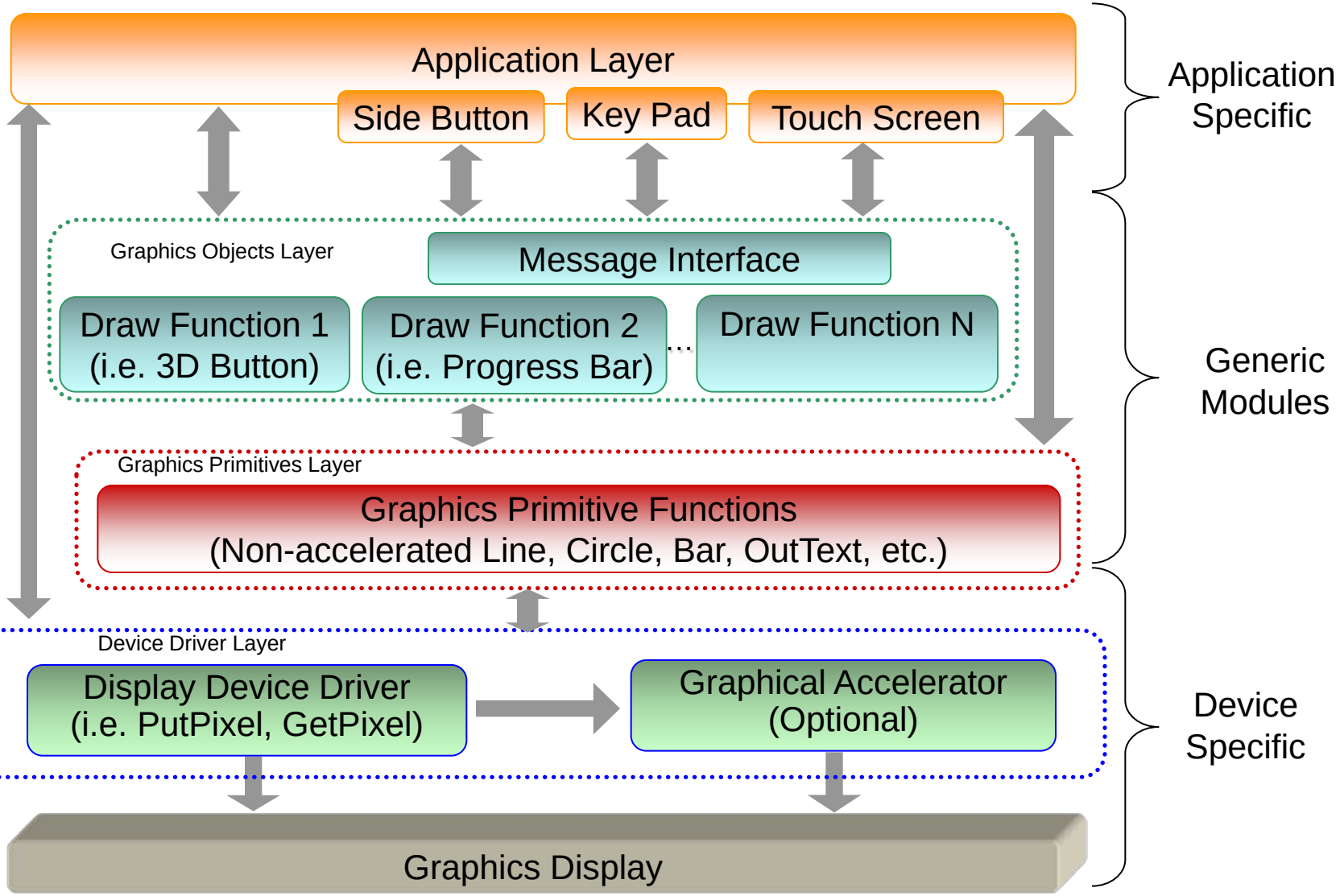
Overview

# Graphics Library




- Works with 16- and 32-bit PIC® MCUs
- Modular design – compile only what you need!
- Supports up to 24 bpp color depth
- Supports gradients, transparency, alpha blending, and transitions
- Demo source provided for our low-cost, full featured development tools
- Free to Microchip customers
  - Source code included
  - Multiple display controller drivers included

# Library Overview



# Graphics Design Center

http://www.microchip.com/graphics

# Microchip Libraries for Applications

http://www.microchip.com/MLA

| Library | Current Version | PIC16F (8-bit) | PIC18F (8-bit) | PIC24/dsPIC (16-bit) | PIC32 (32-bit) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| USB Framework | 2.9e | | x | x | x |
| Graphics Library | 3.04.02 | | | x | x |
| Memory Disk Drive (MDD) | 1.3.8 | | x | x | x |
| TCP/IP Stack | 5.41.02 | | x | x | x |
| (TCP/IP Stack v6.00 beta available for download below) | v6.00 beta | | | x | x |
| mTouch Capacitive Touch Library | 1.40.02 | x | x | x | x |
| Smart Card Library | 1.02.6 | | x | x | x |
| MiWi™ Development Environment | 4.2.4 | | x | x | x |
| Accessory Framework for Android™ | 1.01.02 | | | x | x |

| Microchip Application Libraries | |
|---|---|
| **Downloads** | **Comments** |
| Microchip Application Libraries v2012-04-03 Windows | |
| Microchip Application Libraries v2012-04-03 Linux | |
| Microchip Application Libraries v2012-04-03 Mac OS X | |
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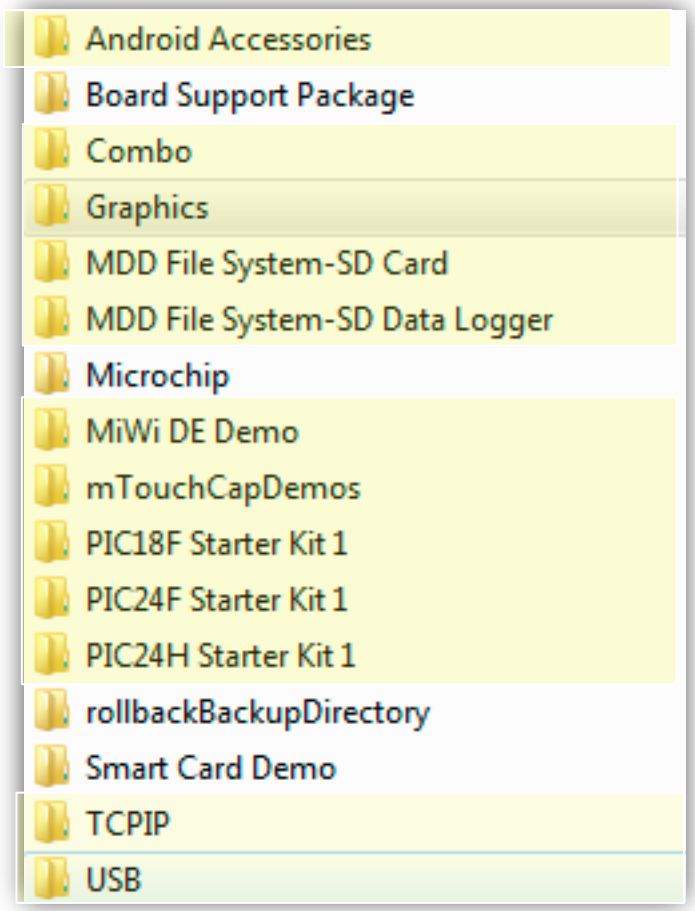
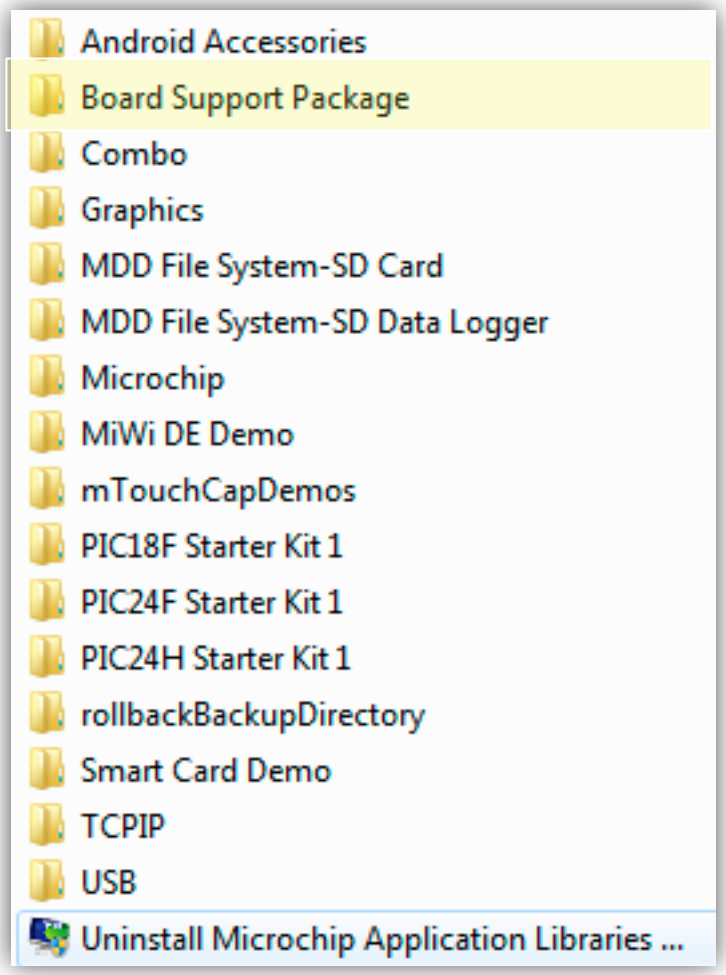
# Microchip Solutions Directory

- Reference Design Projects
  - Full source code
- Find individual projects in these directories
- All paths relative to the Microchip directory



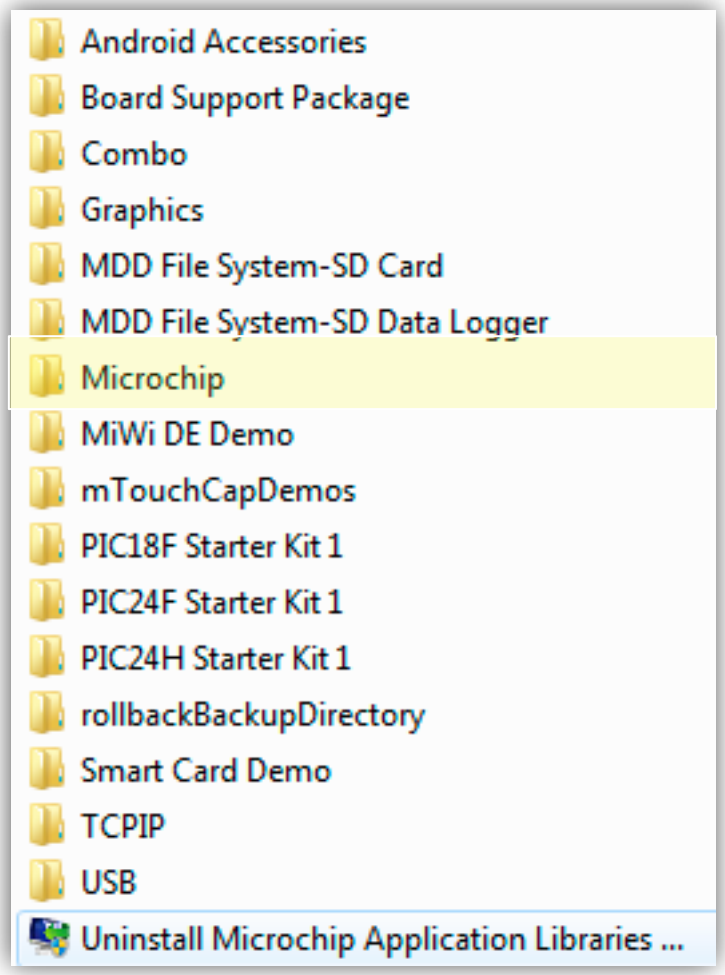
# Microchip Solutions
# Board Support

- Microchip development / evaluation board support
  - Touch screen
  - Memory
  - Potentiometer
  - Accelerometer
  - etc…



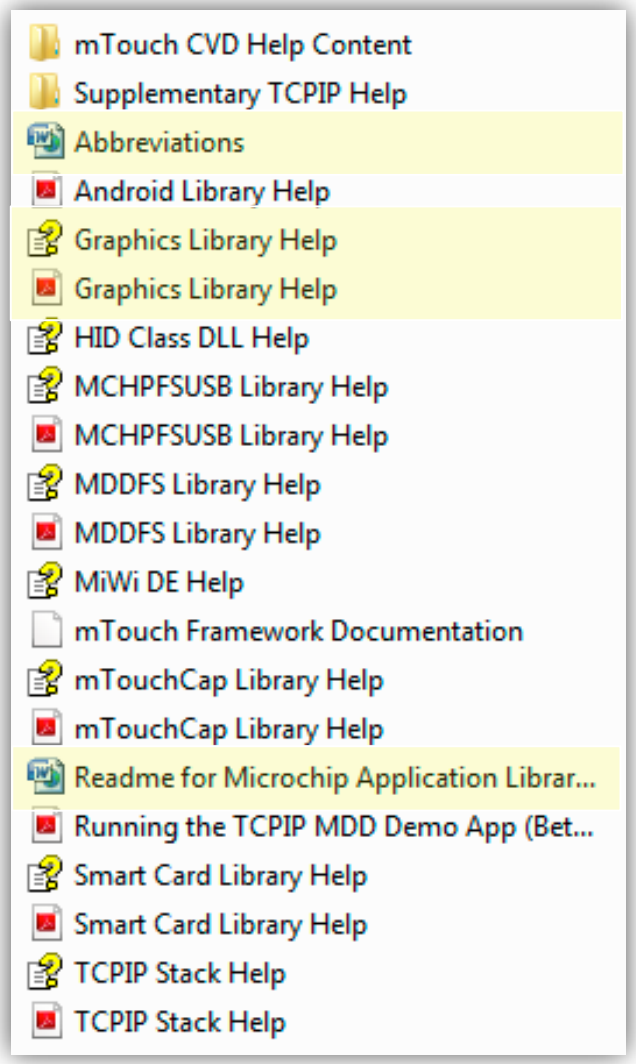
# Microchip Solutions
# Library Source Code

- Source files for all libraries
- Help files for all libraries



# Microchip Solutions Library Help Files

- ../Microchip/Help
- Abbreviations for the Microchip development boards used in demos
- Graphics Library APIs and demo user guides



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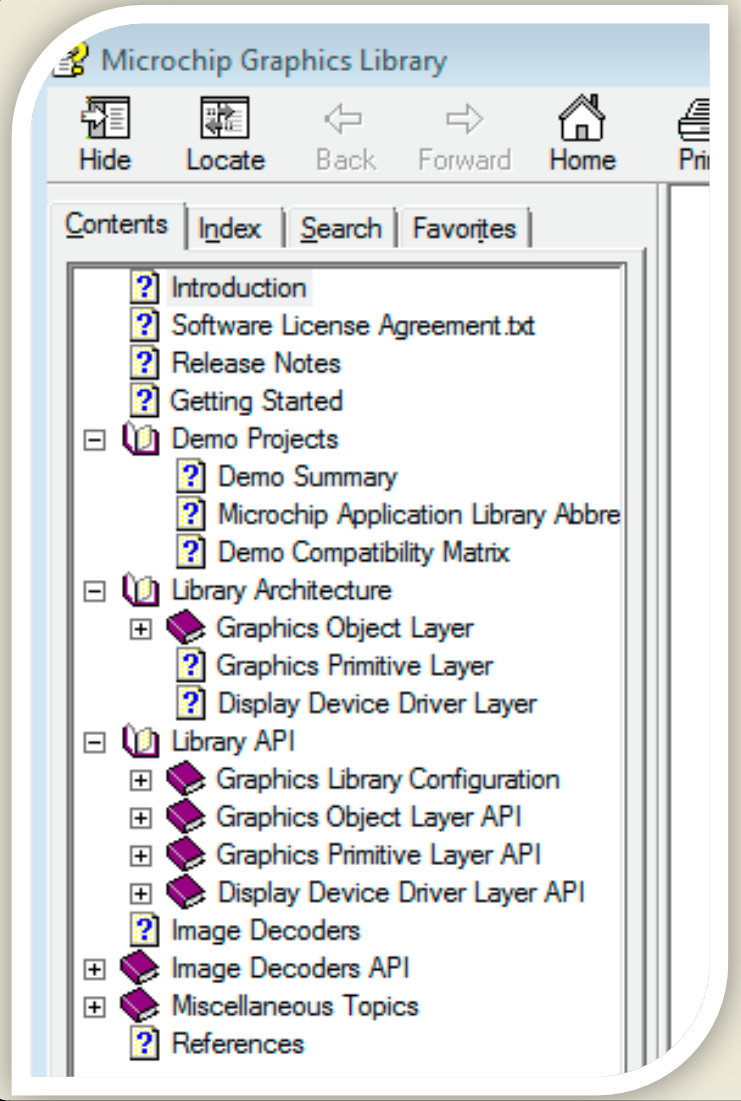



Help files are included as part of the Microchip Graphics Library installation and are located in the following directory:

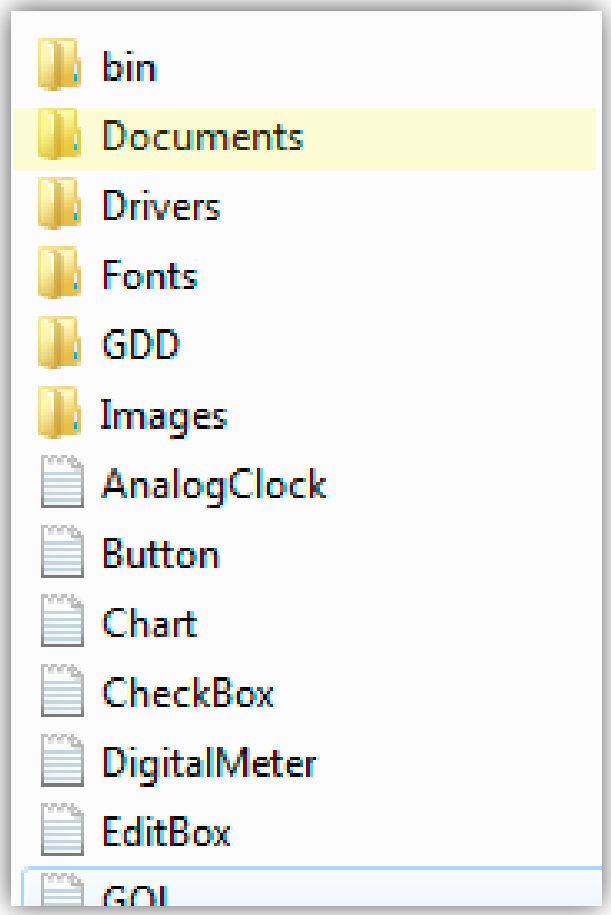
..\Microchip\Help

Graphics Library Help.chm

Graphics Library Help.pdf

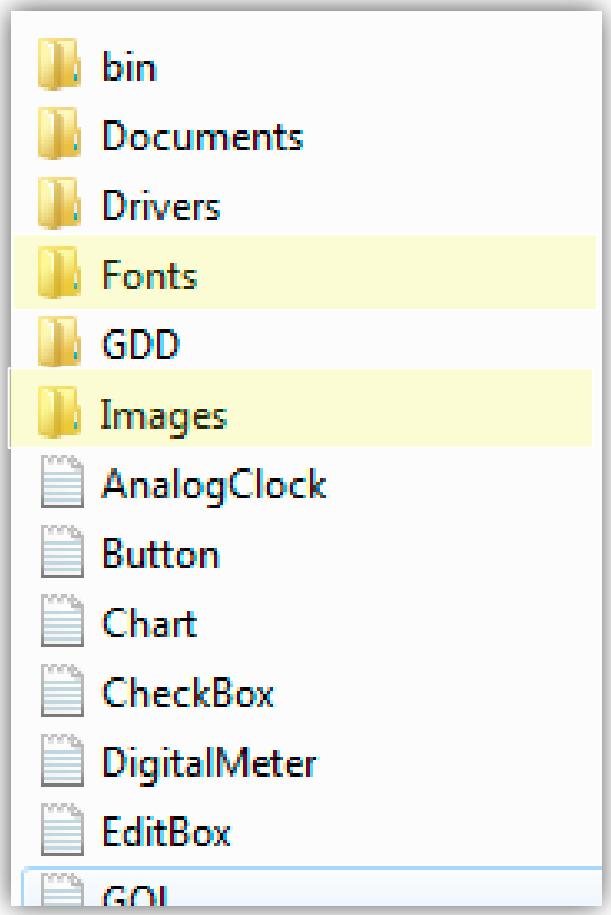
# Microchip Solutions Graphics Library

- ../Microchip/Graphics
- Schematics for the Microchip Graphics development boards
- User's guides for Microchip Graphics demo projects



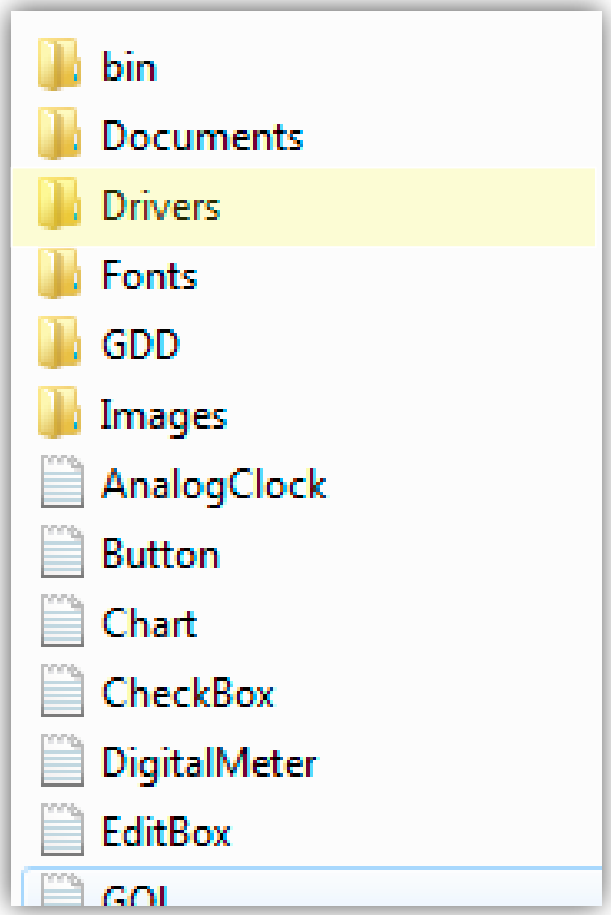
# Microchip Solutions Graphics Library

- ../Microchip/Graphics
- Free fonts
- Free images and icons



# Microchip Solutions Graphics Library

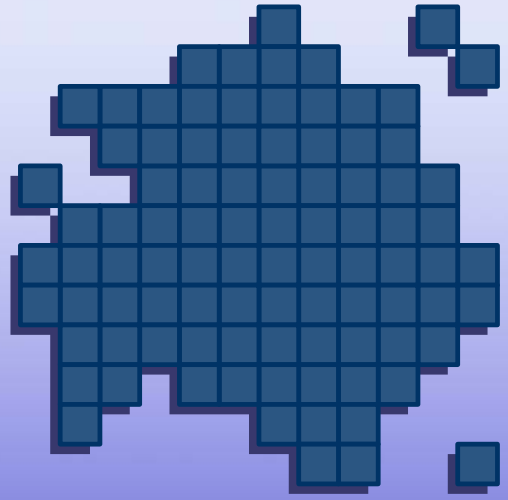
- ../Microchip/Graphics
- ‘C’ source files for graphics (LCD) controllers



# Microchip Graphics Library

## Help -> Release Notes

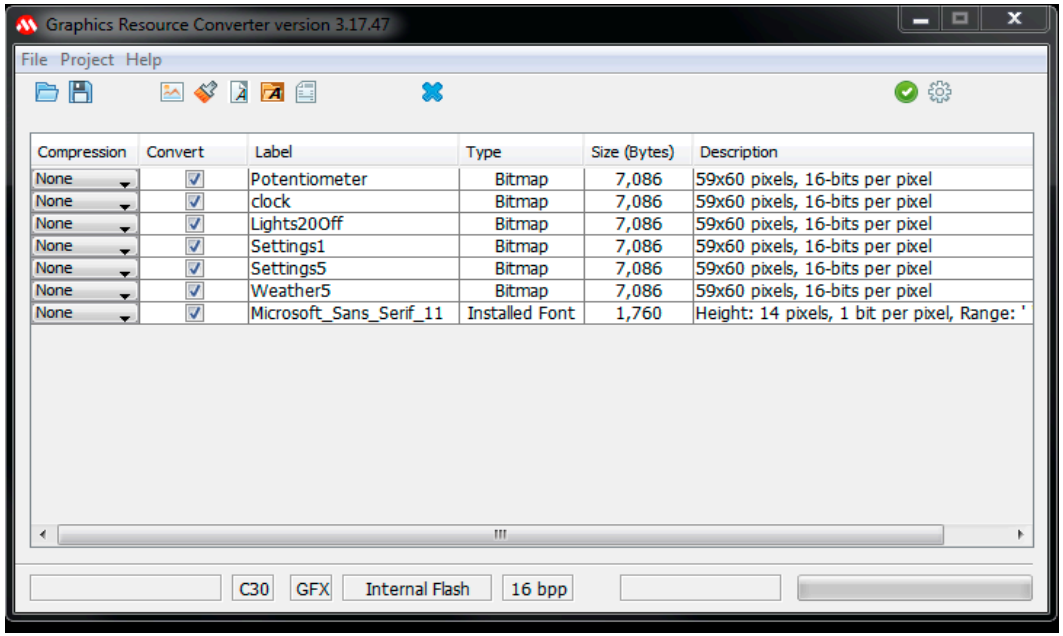
| Display Module | Interface | File Names |
|---|---|---|
| Microchip Graphics Display Driver - customizable driver for RGB Glass. Currently used in PIC24FJ256DA210 device family. | RGB | mchpGfxDrv.c, mchpGfxDrv.h |
| Microchip Low-Cost Controllerless (LCC) Graphics Display Driver - customizable driver for RGB Glass. Currently used for selected PIC32MX device families. | RGB | mchpGfxLCC.c, mchpGfxLCC.h |
| Samsung S6D0129/S6D0139 | 8/16 bit PMP | drvTFT001.c, drvTFT001.h |
| LG LGDP4531 | 8/16 bit PMP | drvTFT001.c, drvTFT001.h |
| Renesas R61505U/R61580 | 8/16 bit PMP | drvTFT001.c, drvTFT001.h |
| Orise Technology SPDF5408 | 8/16 bit PMP | drvTFT001.c, drvTFT001.h |
| Epson S1D13517 | 8/16 bit PMP | S1D13517.c, S1D13517.h |
| Solomon Systech SSD1926 | 8/16 bit PMP | SSD1926.c, SSD1926.h |
| Solomon Systech SSD1289 | 8/16 bit PMP | drvTFT002.c, drvTFT002.h |
| Solomon Systech SSD1339 for OLED displays | 8 bit PMP | SSD1339.c, SSD1339.h |
| Solomon Systech SSD1303 for OLED displays | 8 bit PMP | SH1101A_SSD1303.c, SH1101A_SSD1303.h |
| Solomon Systech SSD1305 for OLED displays | 8 bit PMP | SSD1305.c, SSD1305.h |
| Solomon Systech SSD2119 | 8/16 bit PMP | drvTFT002.c, drvTFT002.h |
| Sino Wealth SH1101A for OLED displays | 8 bit PMP | SH1101A_SSD1303.c, SH1101A_SSD1303.h |
| Sitronix ST7529 | 8 bit PMP | ST7529.c, ST7529.h |
| Hitech Electronics HIT1270 | 8 bit PMP | HIT1270.c, HIT1270.h |
| Ilitek ILI9320 | 8/16 bit PMP | drvTFT001.c, drvTFT001.h |
| Himax HX8347 | 8/16 bit PMP | HX8347.c, HX8347.h |
| UltraChip UC1610 | 8 bit PMP | UC1610.c, UC1610.h |



# Microchip Graphics Library

## Design Utilities

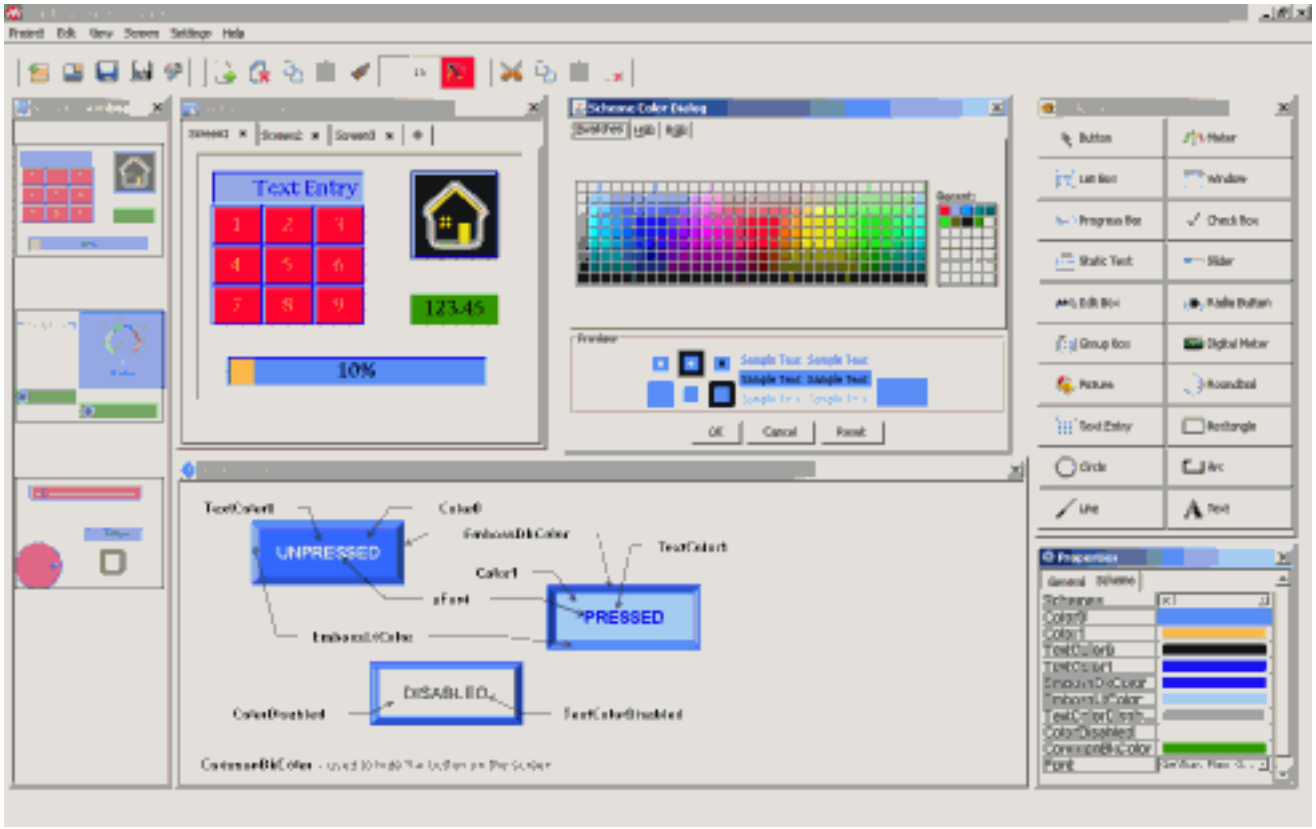
# Graphics Resource Converter





- Converts graphical resources (images, fonts, binary files) into formats the Microchip Graphics Library can use
  - Bitmaps and fonts optimized for PIC® microcontrollers
  - JPEG encoding maintained
- Generate color palettes for use with Microchip Graphics Module

# Graphical Display Designer




- WYSIWYG GUI Design utility with code generation
- Project Handling
- Stand alone or MPLAB® X IDE plug-in (Windows, Linux, Mac)

# Third Party- VGDD Visual Graphics Display Designer

http://virtualfab.it/mediawiki/index.php VGDD:Visual_Graphis_Display_Designer

HIGH FUNCTION
LOW COST


- WYSIWYG GUI Design utility with code generation
  - Uses Microchip Graphics Library
- Project Generation using integrated MPLAB® X IDE Wizard
- Stand alone program (Windows only)

# Visual Graphics Display Designer Features

- Provides visual screen creation
  - WYSIWYG results using Microchip Graphics Library
  - Integrated resource conversion for fonts and images
- Graphics system hardware configuration
  - Must use library supported LCD controller and display drivers
- C Code generation
  - Application templates with all callback functions
  - Required hardware set up and drivers included
- Editing features
  - Cut, copy and paste
  - Alignment guides
  - Snap to grid
  - Undo / Redo engine

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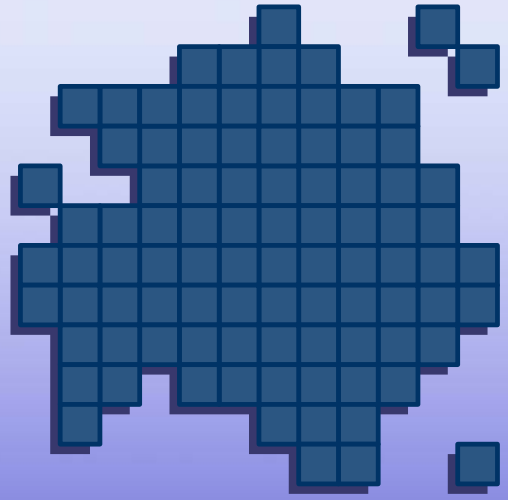
# Visual Graphics Display Designer Features

- Generate MPLAB® X IDE project structure
  - Application code template provided
  - All required library files populated into the project
  - Project properties set (heap allocation, memory optimizations, etc)
- Import / Export screen files
  - Allows reuse in multiple application
- Customization support
  - Design with your own colors
  - Select your own fonts and images
  - Support for user defined widgets
- Widget event Handling
  - Uses Microchip defined states and callback functions
  - Screen navigation using state machines
- Screen simulation
  - Player integrated with full version of VGDD
  - Visually see the GUI screen movement

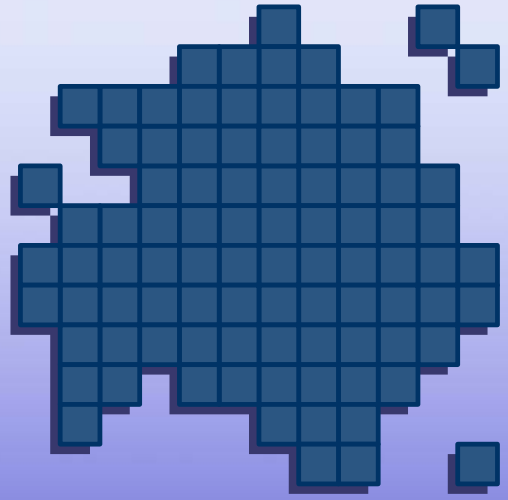


# Microchip Graphics Library

Basics

# Terminology

- **Application Programming Interface (API):** A set of functions that can be called from an application to access features of another program or library.
- **Graphics Primitive:** An elementary graphics building block such as a point, line, arc, etc.
- **Graphics Object:** Any of the various shapes (e.g. buttons, charts, dials, etc) your program can render to the screen and control. These objects can be used to provide user input to your system.
- **Widget:** Another name for a graphics object.
- **Glyph:** A graphical representation, in a particular typeface, of all the individual symbols of any of the world's writing systems (e.g. alphabetic letters, Chinese characters, numerals, punctuation marks, etc.).



# Microchip Graphics Library

## Basics:

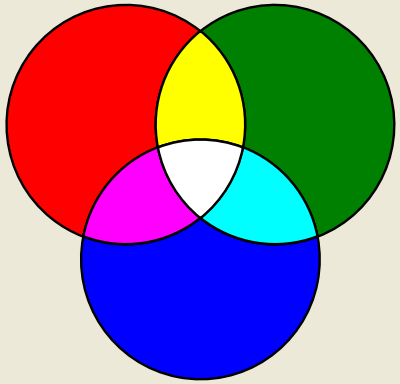
## Images and Color

# RGB Color Model

## Definition

The RGB Color Model is an additive color model in which red, green, and blue light are added together in various ways to reproduce a broad array of colors. Colors are expressed as a triplet (RGB) Source: Wikipedia

- 16-bit (65,536 colors)
  - Red: 5 bits
  - Green: 6 bits
  - Blue: 5 bits
  - RGB 565



- 18-bit (262,144 colors)
  - Red: 6 bits
  - Green: 6 bits
  - Blue: 6 bits
  - RGB 666
- 24-bit (1.678M colors)
  - Red: 8 bits
  - Green: 8 bits
  - Blue: 8 bits
  - RGB 888

# Color Depth

**Definition**

Color Depth is the number of bits used to represent the color of a single pixel in an image or in a frame buffer. Color Depth is usually specified using a bpp (bits per pixel) notation. A higher color depth gives a broader range of distinct colors, but also requires more memory to store the image or frame.

- True Color => 24 bpp (16,777,216 colors)
- High Color => 16 bpp (65,536 colors)
- Indexed Color => Use of a color lookup table
  - Palette stored as part of image file
  - Required for images 8 bpp or less
- LCD System specifications – color depth refers to the capacity of the hardware
- Image Files – color depth impacts memory size

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# Frame Buffer Sizes

- PIC24 options up to 96KB RAM
- PIC32 options up to 128KB RAM
- Use external SRAM for frame buffers > 128KB

| Display Resolution Typical Sizes | | | Color Depth/ Memory Requirement in (Bytes) | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | 1 bpp (Mono) | 2 bpp (4 shades) | 4 bpp (16 shades) | 8 bpp (256 colors) | 16 bpp (65K colors) |
| WVGA | 800x480 | 7” | 48,000 | 96,000 | 192,000 | 384,000 | 768,000 |
| VGA | 640x480 | 5.7” | 38,400 | 76,800 | 153,600 | 307,200 | 614,400 |
| WQVGA | 480x272 | 4.3” | 16,320 | 32,640 | 65,280 | 130,560 | 261,120 |
| QVGA | 320x240 | 3.2” | 9,600 | 19,200 | 38,400 | 76,800 | 153,600 |
| Common for OLED | 128x64 | 1”-2.7” | 1,024 | 2,048 | 4,096 | 8,192 | 16,384 |

Internal SRAM on PIC24 DA or PIC32

External SRAM

# Color Lookup Table (Indexed Color)

- Converts the indexed color numbers stored in each pixel of frame buffer into physical colors
- Microchip's PIC24 DA family allows 256 entries of 16 bpp colors

65,536 colors

256 slots

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# Guess How Many Colors?

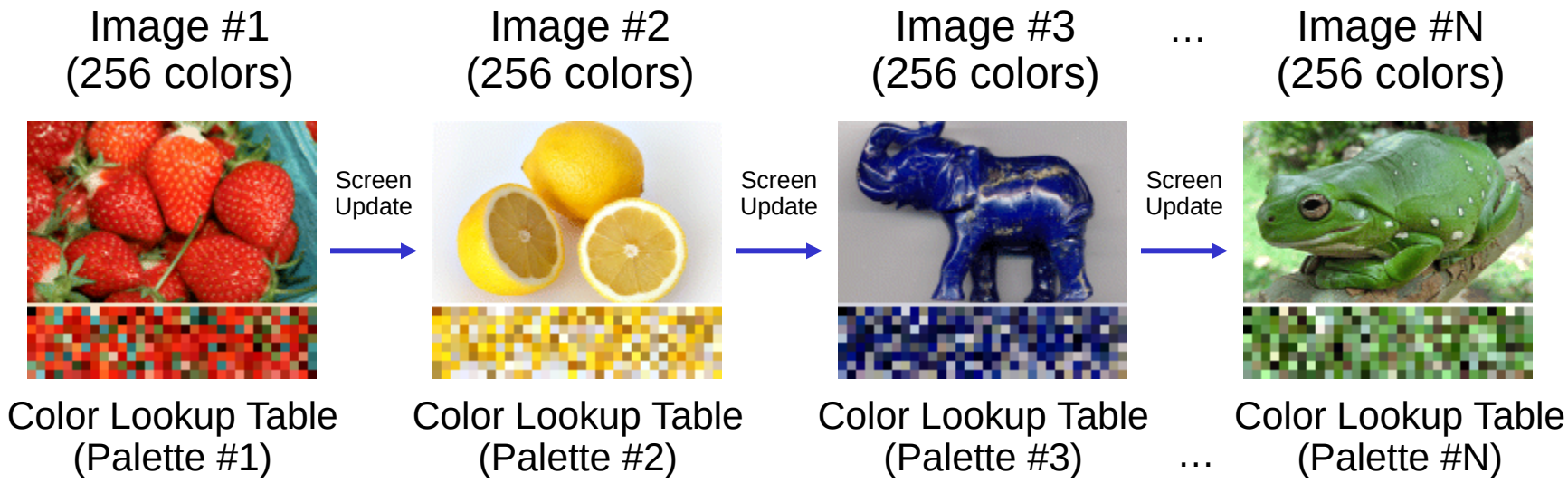

*16 Shades – 4bpp*
*320x240 Resolution*
***37.5K byte per frame***


*256 Colors – 8bpp*
*320x240 Resolution*
***75K byte per frame***


*256 Colors – 8bpp*
*320x240 Resolution*
***75K byte per frame***

# PIC24F DA Color Lookup Table

- **Dynamic switching of different color palettes**
- **Each palette can utilize a different set of 256 colors**
- **Every screen update may have a different color palette, supporting different set of 256 colors**



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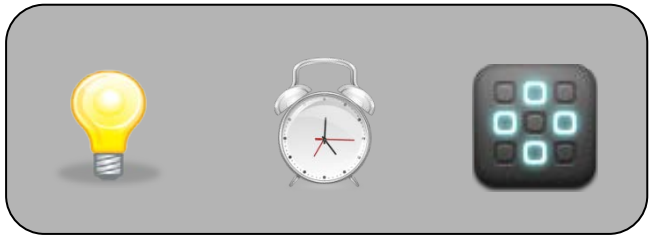
# Image Support

- Microchip Graphics Library supports both bitmap and jpeg formats
  - Color depth up to 24 bpp
- Images are converted using Graphics Resource Converter utility
  - May be compressed using run length encoding (RLE)
  - OR … Fixed Huffman if PIC24xxxDAxxx's Inflate Processing Unit (IPU) is used

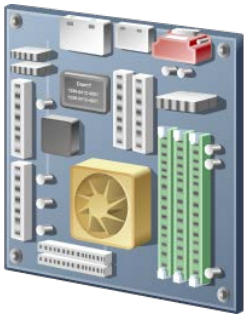
# How are images used?

- Display company logos


- Create icons



- Provide user information (indicators)



# How are images used?

- Create screen backgrounds

# Design considerations

- Image size color depth impact memory use
- Example:

Image Size: 59x60 pixels
Color Depth: 32 bpp

Requires:
(59x60x32)/8 = 14K bytes

Image Size: 59x60 pixels
Color Depth: 16 bpp

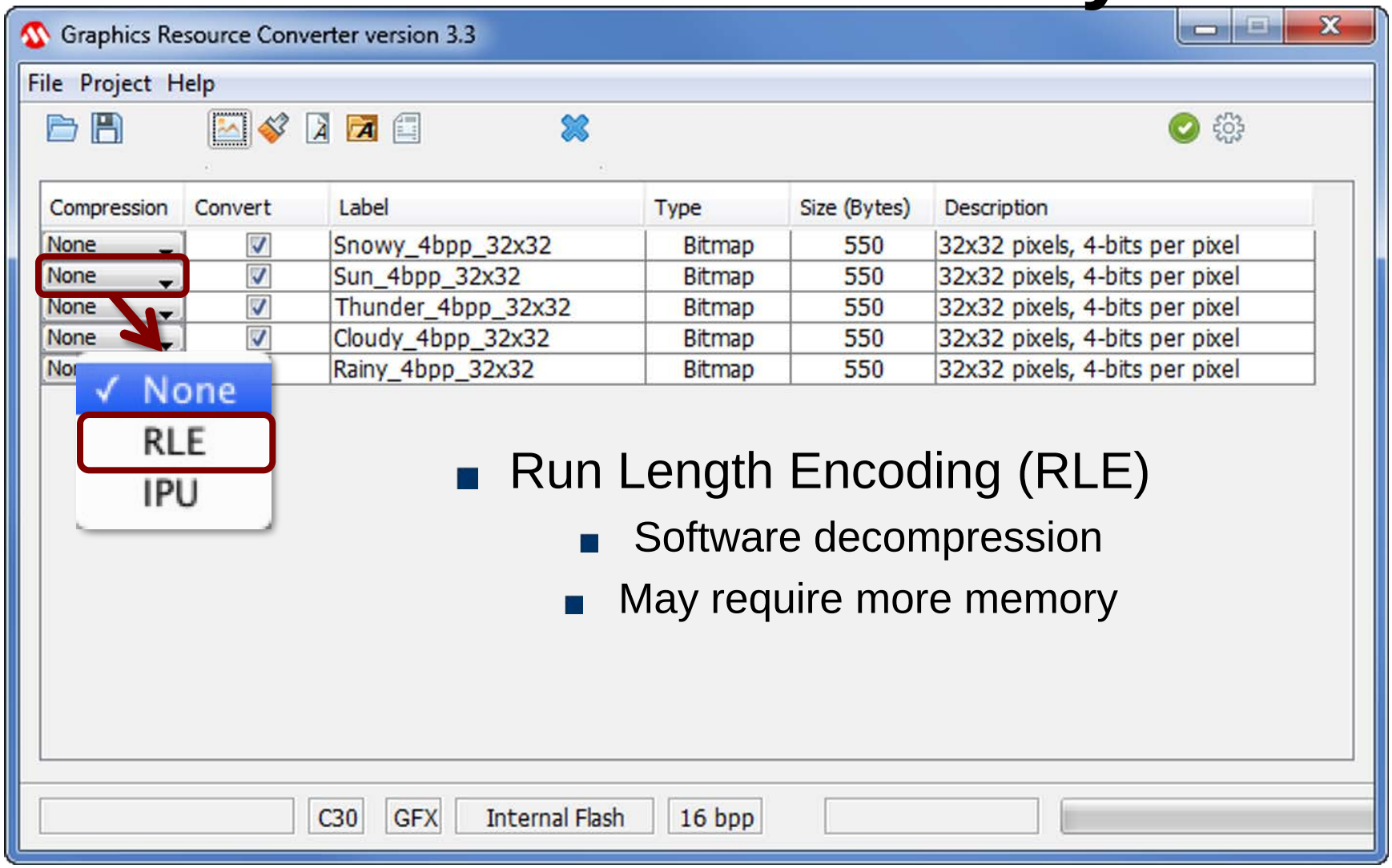
Requires:
(59x60x16)/8 = 7K bytes

# Design Considerations

- Image size and color depth impact memory requirements
- Guess how much memory needed for this screen?


- ANSWER:  As drawn, this screen requires ~194,000 bytes

# Graphics Resource Converter Reduce Memory




- Run Length Encoding (RLE)
  - Software decompression
  - May require more memory

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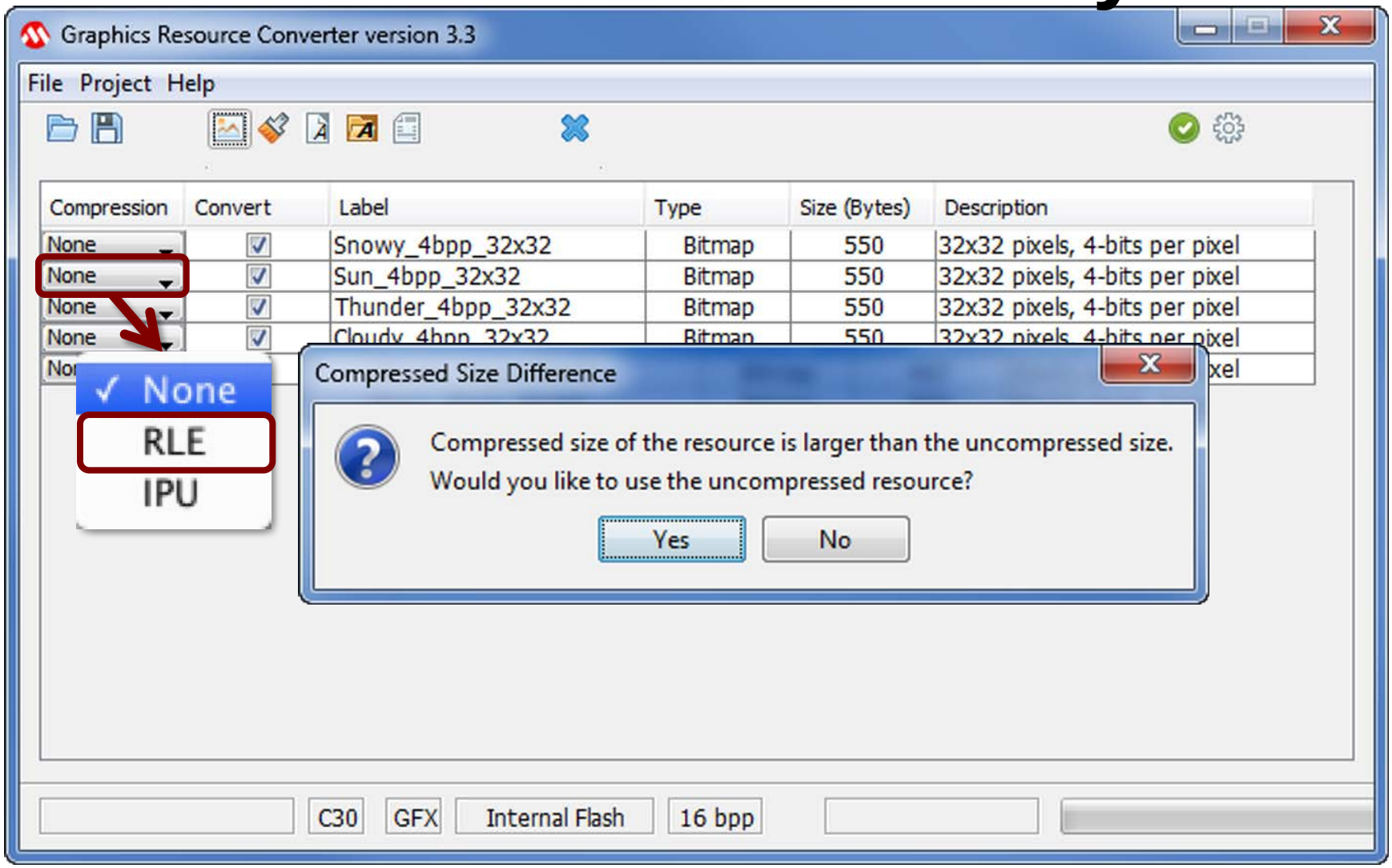

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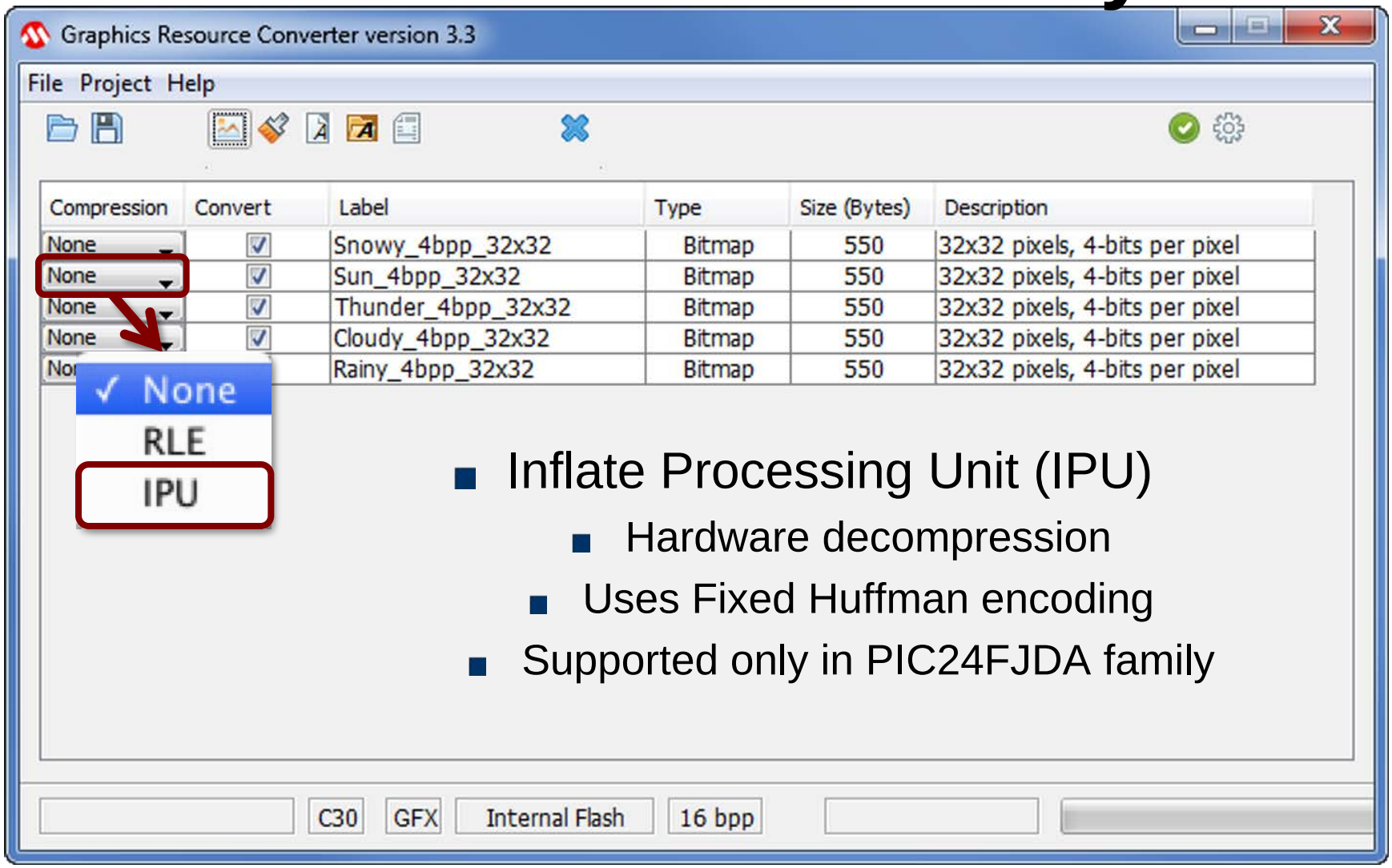


- Inflate Processing Unit (IPU)
  - Hardware decompression
  - Uses Fixed Huffman encoding
- Supported only in PIC24FJDA family

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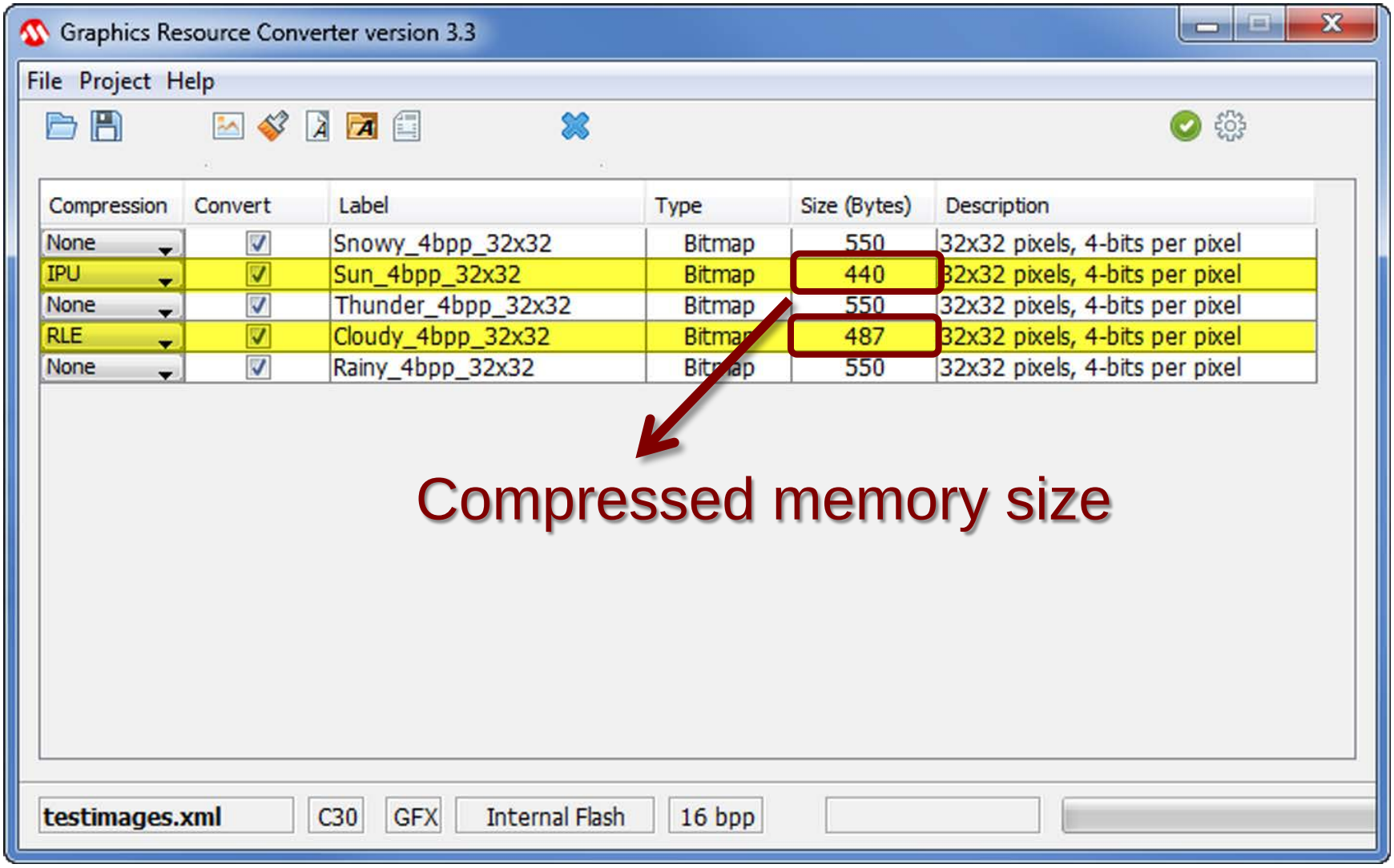

# Graphics Resource Converter Project Settings

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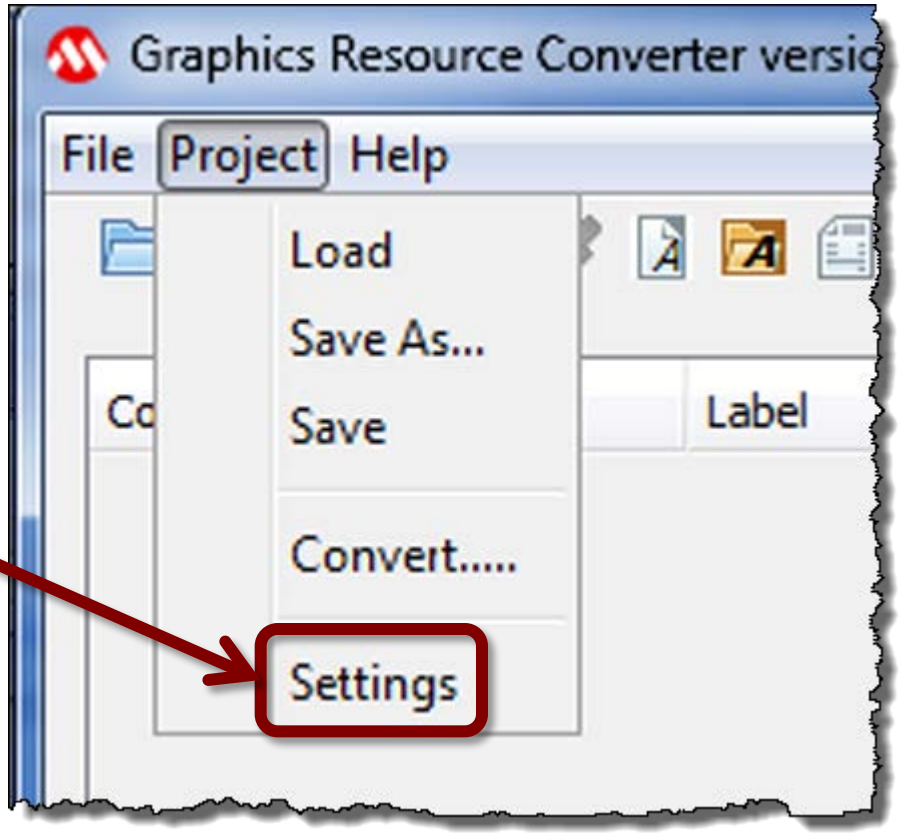


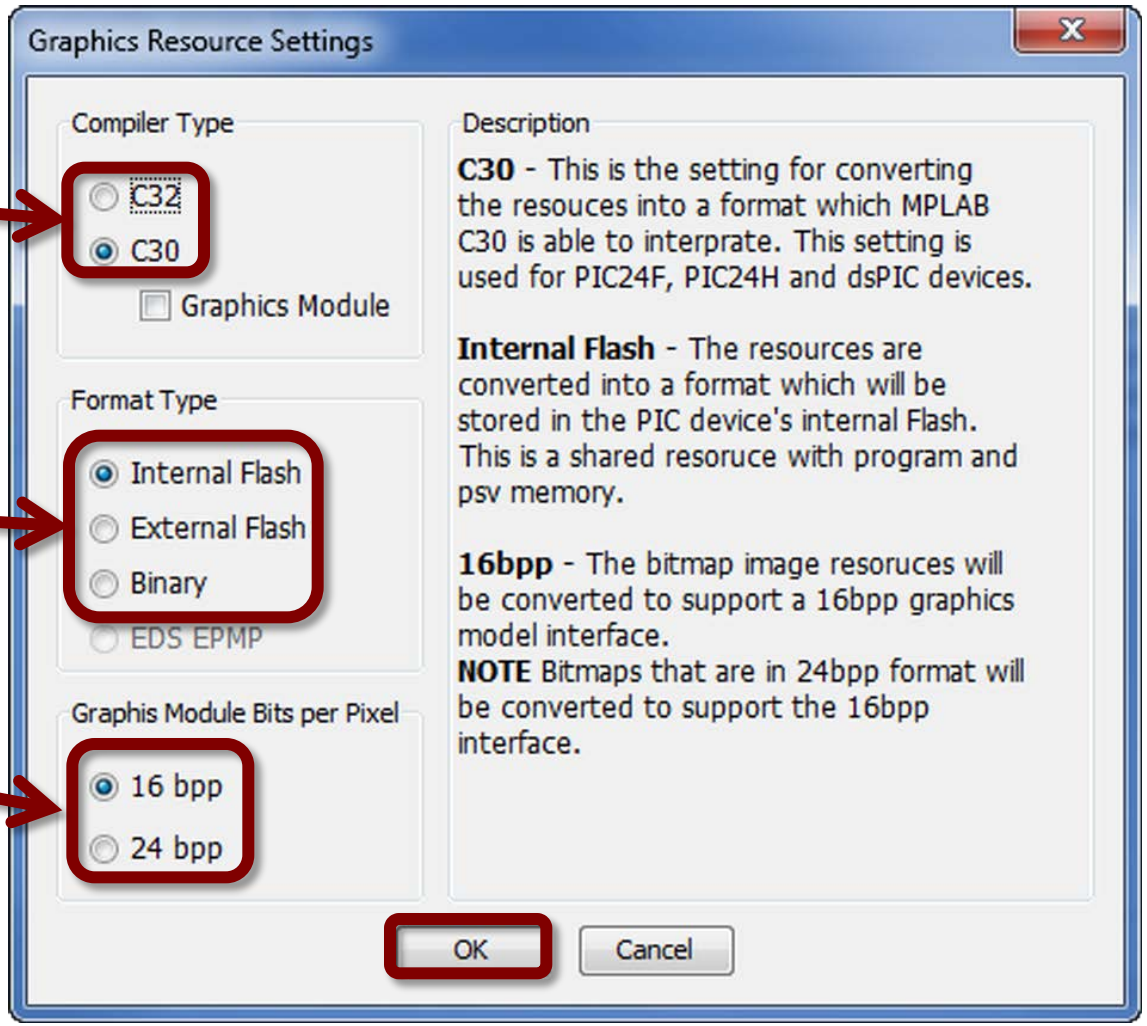

Select from Project menu

# Graphics Resource Converter Project Settings

Choose compiler

Choose output format

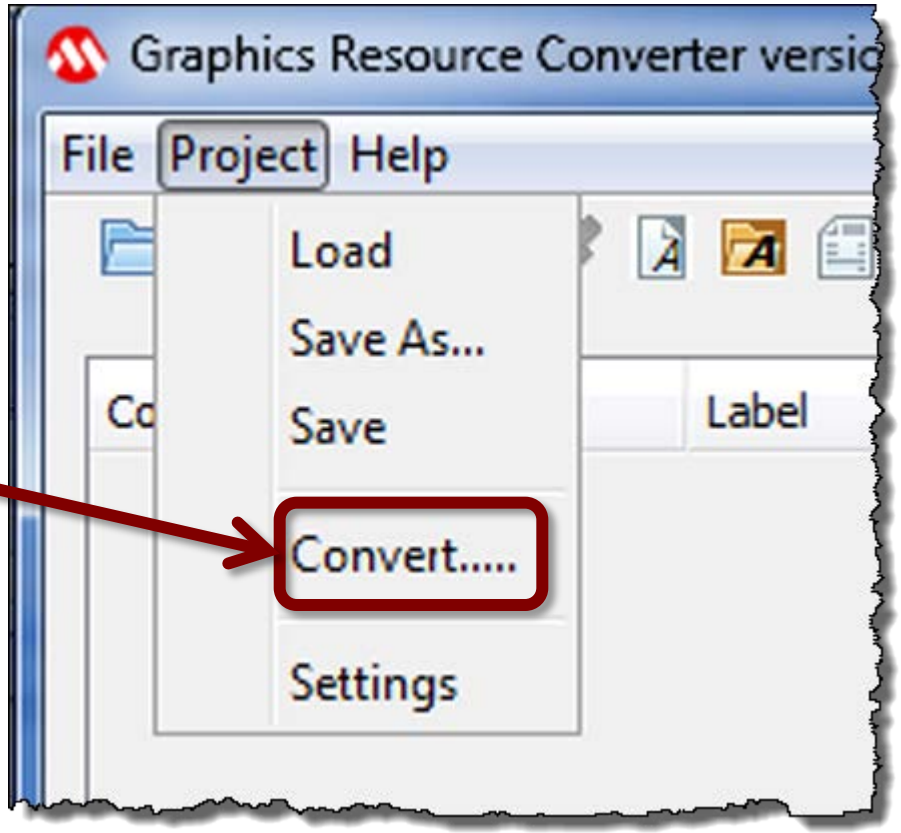
Choose output color depth



# Graphics Resource Converter Convert

Either click toolbar icon OR…

Select from Project menu



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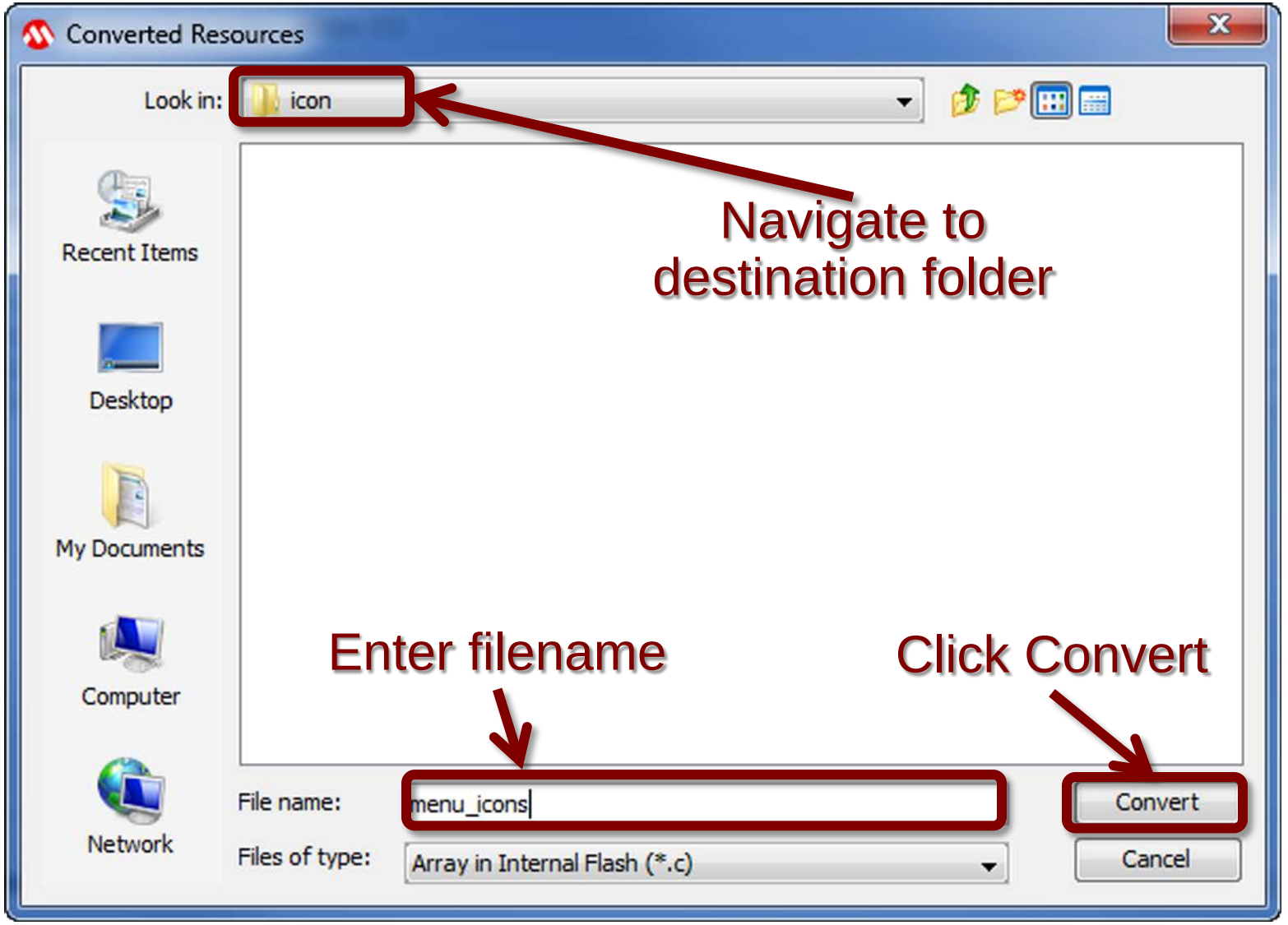
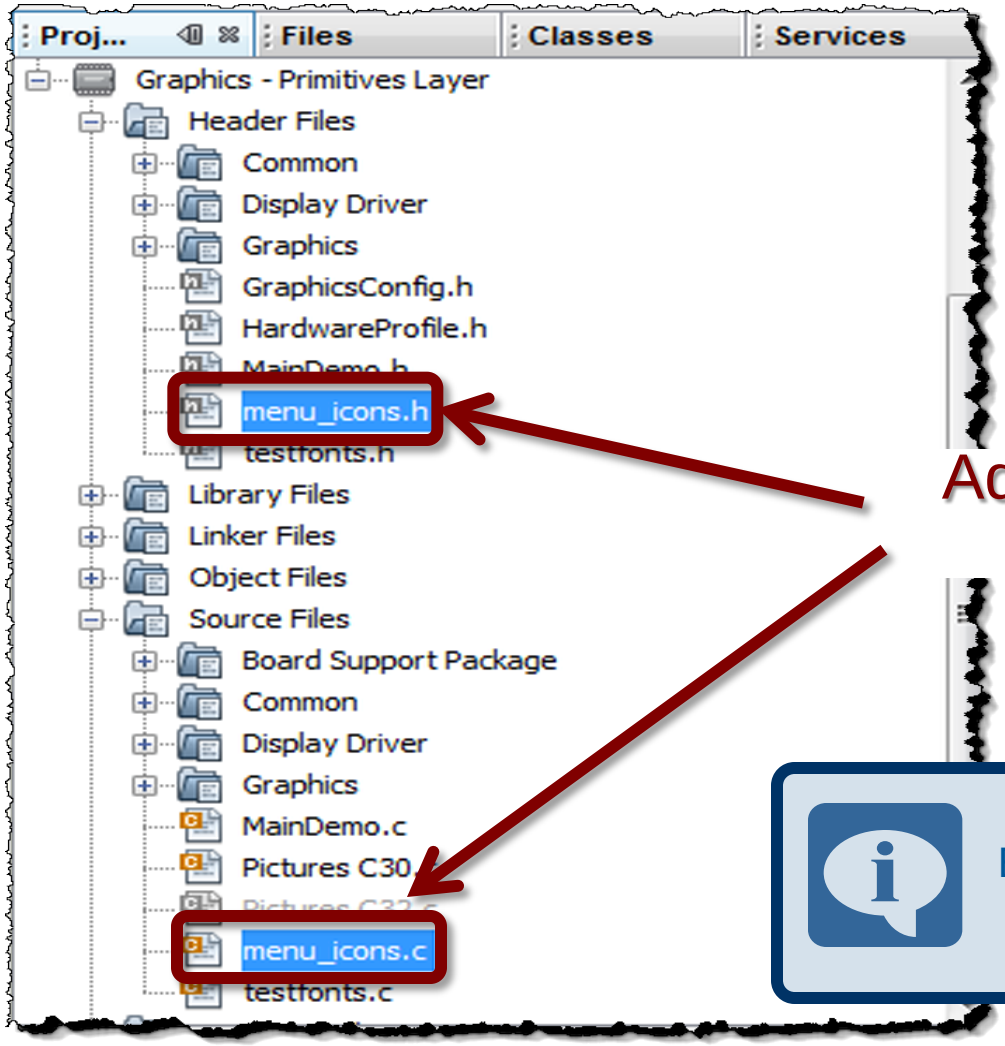


# Using Images



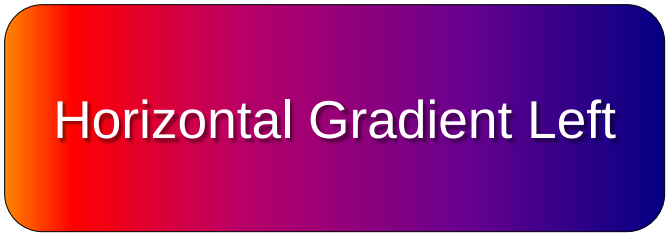

Add generated files to the project

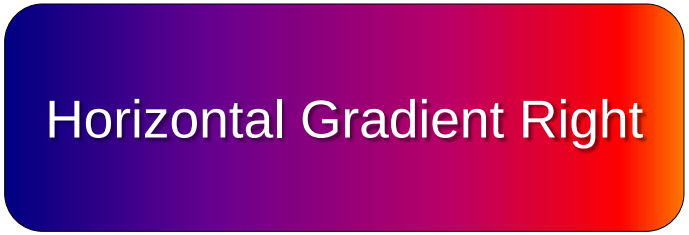
If using external memory, use the External Memory Programmer utility to program generated .hex file into the external memory

# Gradients

- Smooth transition from one color to another
- Implemented in the primitive layer of the library
- Vertical or horizontal are supported





# Gradient Background

- Enhances HMI appearance
- Doesn’t consume extra memory space

# Microchip Graphics Library
# Use Gradient

- In GraphicsConfig.h, enable gradients

```
#define USE_GRADIENT
```

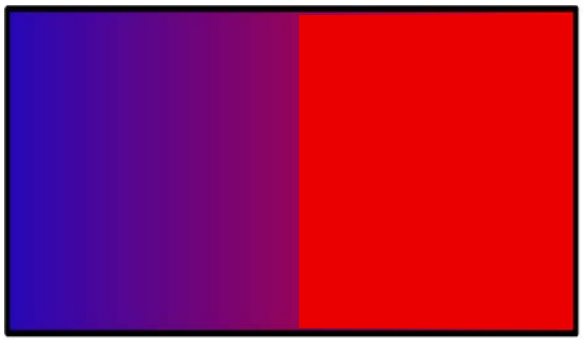
- In application file(s) …
  - Call **BarGradient(…)** or **BevelGradient(…)**

```
…
BarGradient( left, top, right, bottom,
BRIGHTBLUE, BRIGHTRED, 100, GRAD_RIGHT);
…
```

# Gradients
# ‘Length’ Parameter

- **Length describes where gradient will stop**

```
…
BarGradient( left, top, right, bottom,
    BRIGHTBLUE, BRIGHTRED, length,
            GRAD_RIGHT);
…
```



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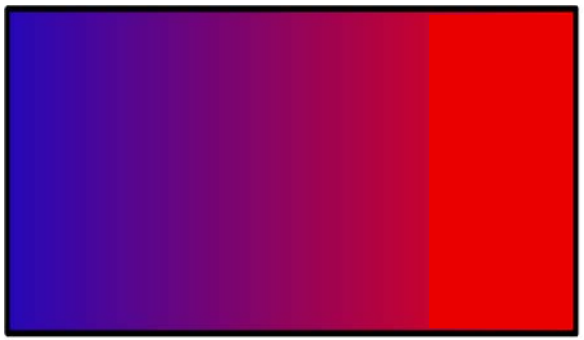

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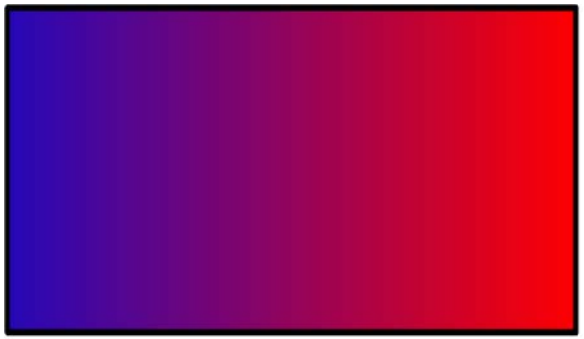

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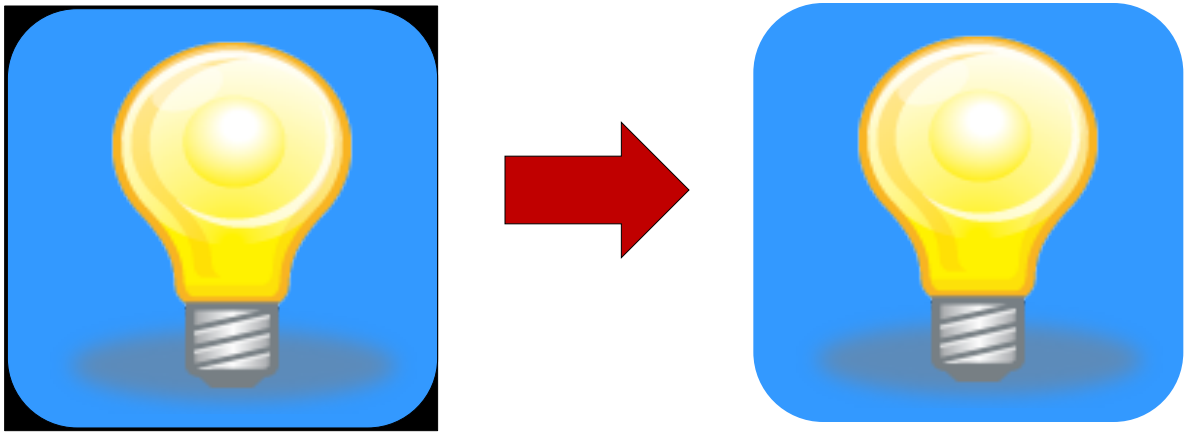
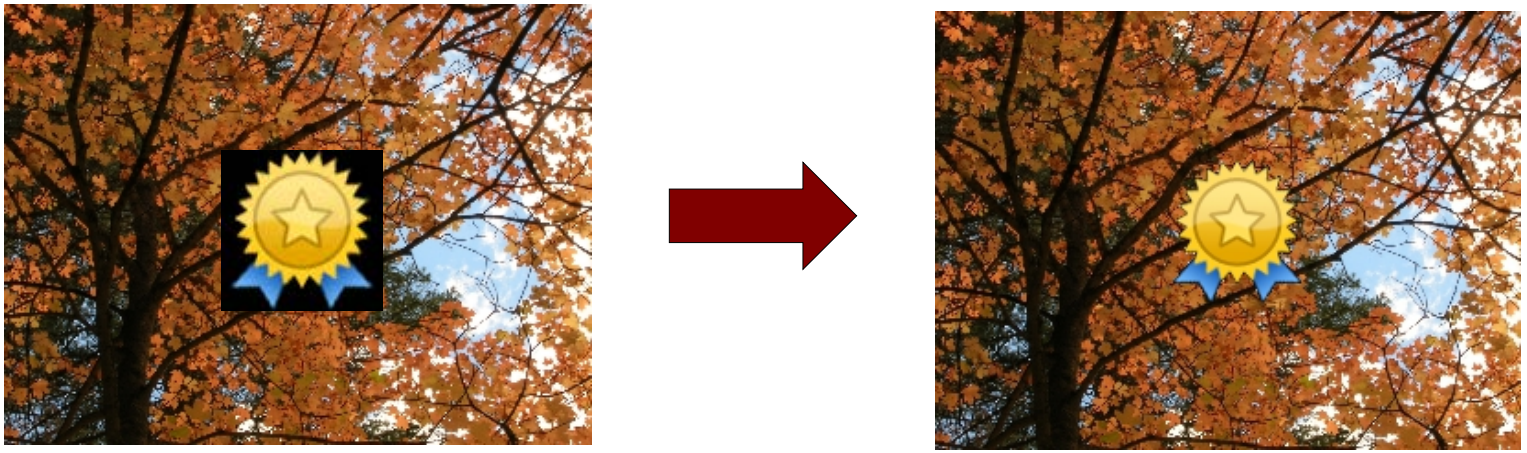
# Transparency

- Used to “hide” colors
  - Hardware accelerated (if available)
  - OR use primitive layer APIs
- May be used to hide icon edges



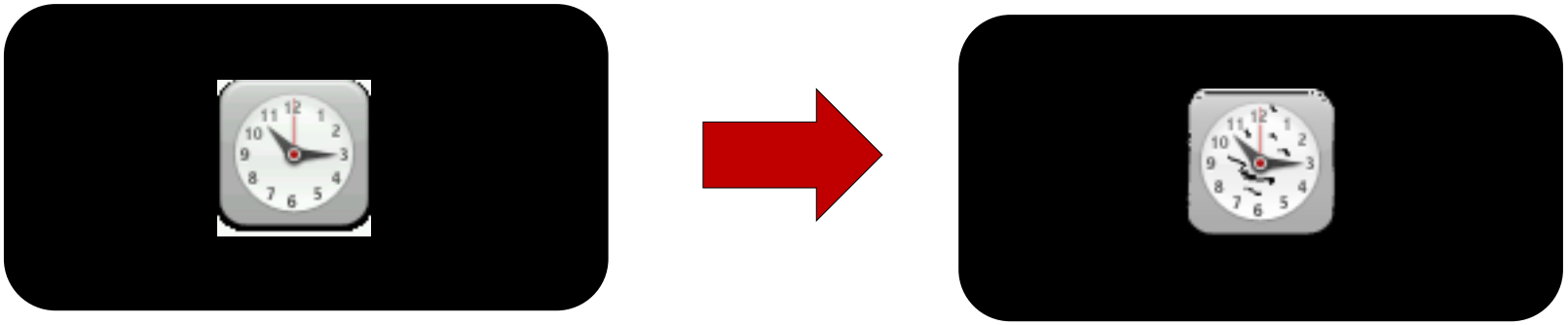
# Microchip Graphics Library Transparency Example

- Application requires ribbon icon over the screen background picture of a tree
- Problem:  The ribbon icon is a bitmap with a black background that does not blend with the picture
- Solution:  Use transparency to hide the icon's black background



# Design Considerations

- Transparent colors are EXACT match
- Pixels of transparent color are ignored
- Example:
  - Transparent color set to white



- Use image processing tool (e.g. GIMP, Paint) to change corner color

# Microchip Graphics Library Transparency Example

- In GraphicsConfig.h, enable transparency

```
#define USE_BITMAP_FLASH
#define USE_TRANSPARENCY
```

- In Main.c …

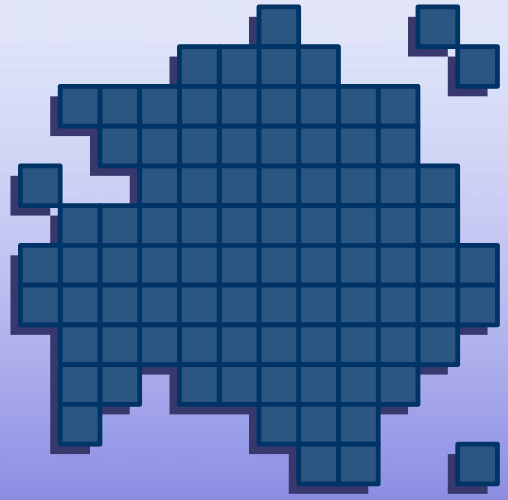
```
…
   extern const BITMAP_FLASH RibbonIcon;
extern const BITMAP_FLASH ScreenBackground;
…
 PutImage(0,0, (void *)&ScreenBackground);
      TransparentColorEnable(BLACK);
    PutImage(0,0, (void *)&RibbonIcon);
      TransparentColorDisable();
…
```

# Alpha Blending

- Layering effect where 2 images are blended
- Fading effect where a new image slowly appears as the old disappears
- Can be used to add an overlay to the HMI

# Double Buffering

- Two frames can be used for the GUI to ensure no renderring effect takes place to the user.



# Microchip Graphics Library

## Basics:  Fonts

# Fonts

Definition:

Fonts are electronic data files containing a set of glyphs, characters and symbols. Fonts are created with font editors and are often considered works of art. Pre-created fonts are available from many sources, but may be licensed. Often times they are copyrighted. Please read all licensing agreements before use.

- **Use Graphics Resource Converter to convert fonts**
  - **True Type (*.ttf)**
  - **Raster Fonts (*.fnt)**
- **Resulting font …**
  - **Stored as an array in internal flash (const section)**
  - **or external memory**
- **Unicode support via multi-byte characters**
  - **AN1182 -- Fonts in the Microchip Graphics Library**

# How to get fonts

- Purchase fonts
  - Thousands of sources available online
  - Read license terms!
- Many websites offer “free” fonts
  - Look for open source fonts (http://www.openfontlibrary.org)
  - Download Google Web Fonts (http://code.google.com/p/googlefontdirectory)
- Create your own fonts using a font editor
  - Fony – freeware
  - FontForge – freeware
  - Other editors range in price
- Convert from Open Type
  - Results vary depending on the converter

# Font Terminology

- Body
  - Imaginary area that encompasses each glyph in a font

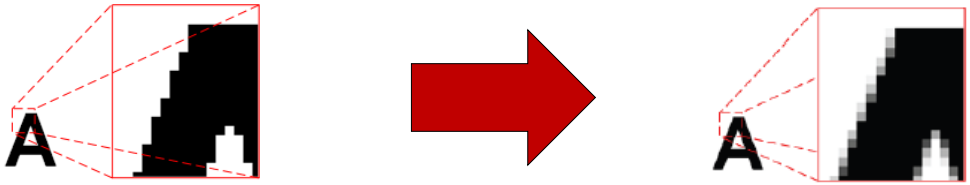
Font body impacts spacing
Font body impacts spacing
Font body impacts spacing
*Font body impacts spacing*

- Point Size
  - The height of the glyph body

24 pt Arial
24 pt Calibri
24 pt Cochin
*24 pt Gabriola*

# Font Terminology

- Anti-Aliasing
  - Blurring the edges to soften the look
  - Desirable for larger point sizes




- Style
  - *Italics*, Bold, Anti-Aliased, etc
- Extended Glyphs
  - Used render languages that use more than one byte to represent a single character

त + ◌ै = ते

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# Microchip Graphics Library Font Requirements

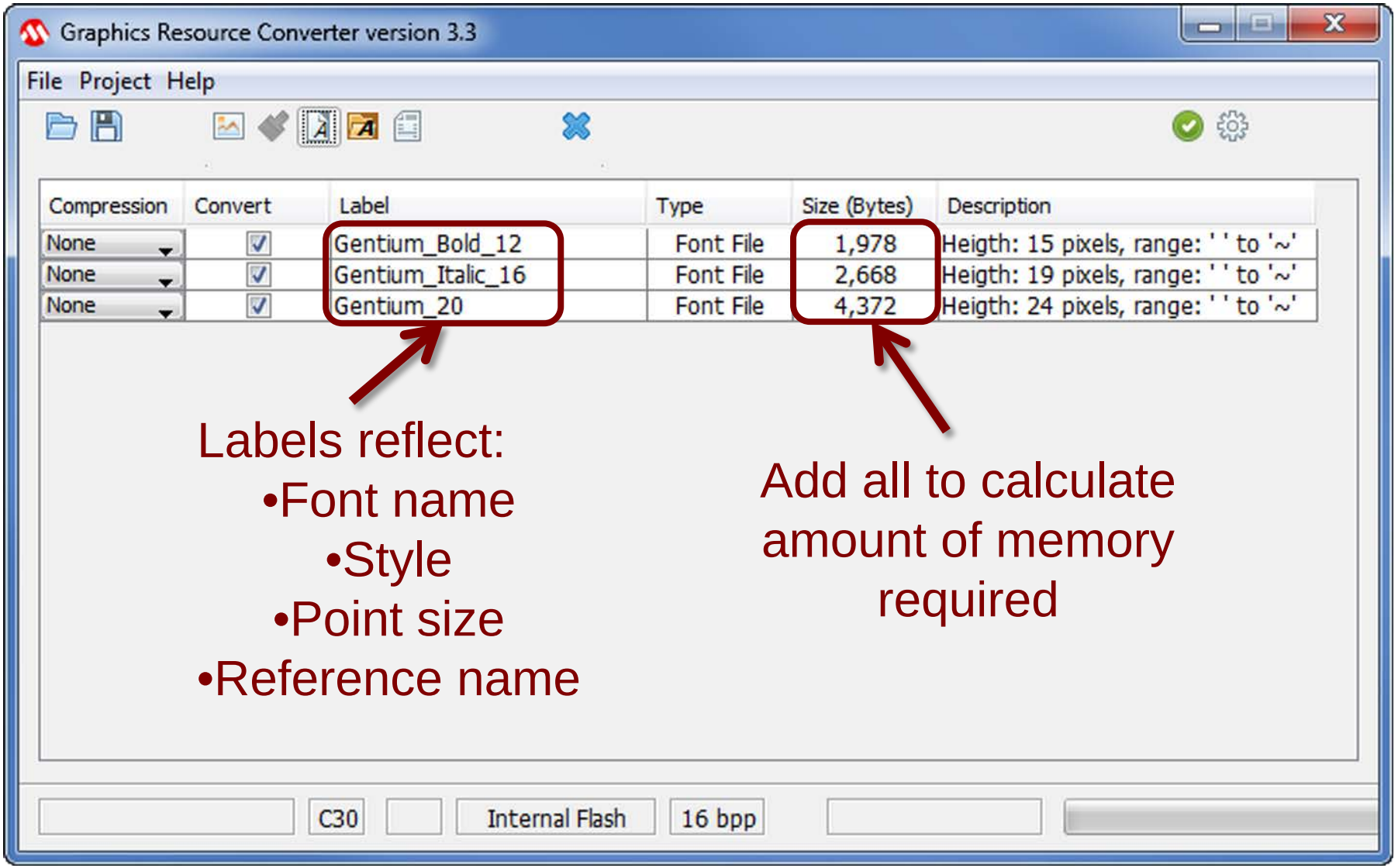
- Fonts must be converted
- Must have one font table per font type
  - EXAMPLE:
    - TimesNewRoman Bold 12 pts
    - TimesNewRoman Italic 12 pts
    - TimesNewRoman Bold 24 pts
    - => 3 font tables required
- May be stored in internal or external FLASH

# Design Considerations

- Memory consumption factors:
  - Using multiple font types
  - Point size and weight of the characters
  - Number of characters in the font
  - Anti-aliased fonts consume ~2x the memory
  - Extended glyphs need at least 2 bytes per character

- Reduce font memory footprint by:
  - Minimize number of font types
  - Use Microchip Graphics Resource Converter to:
    - Filter the font (only store characters used)
      - Especially for extended glyphs
    - Reduce the font range (e.g. only store numbers)
  - Limit use of anti-aliased fonts

# Graphics Resource Converter Fonts

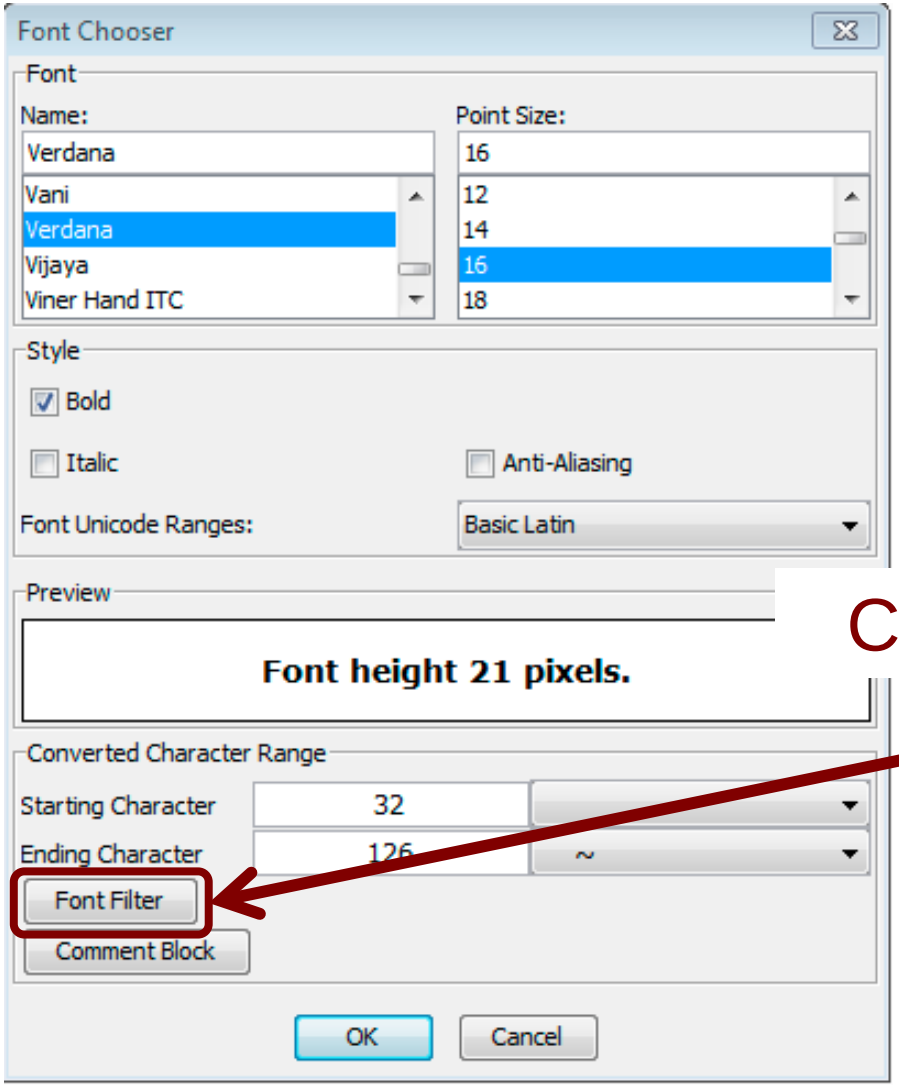



Labels reflect:

- Font name
- Style
- Point size
- Reference name

Add all to calculate amount of memory required

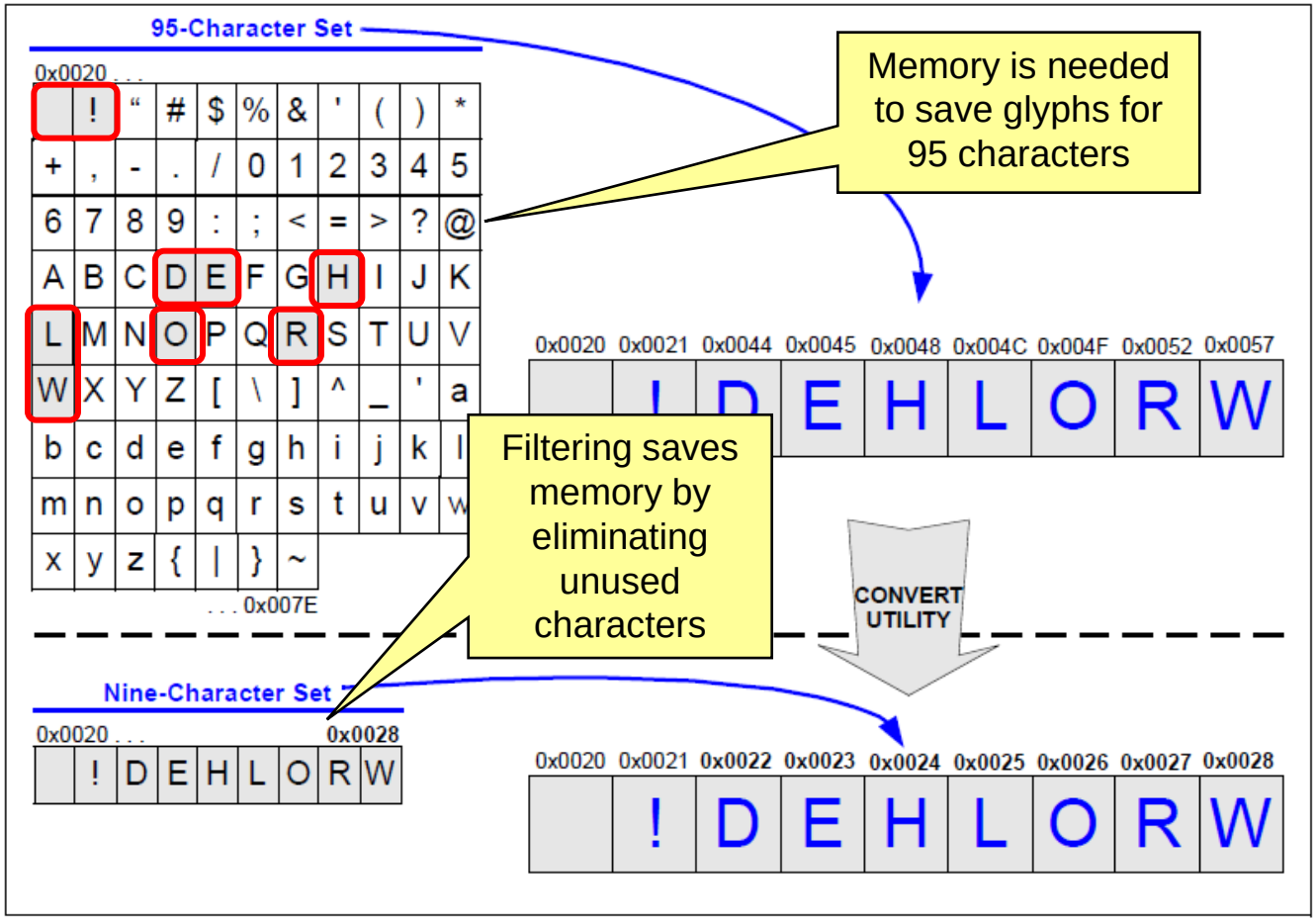
# Graphics Resource Converter
# Reducing Font Memory




Convert only specific strings

# Font Filtering

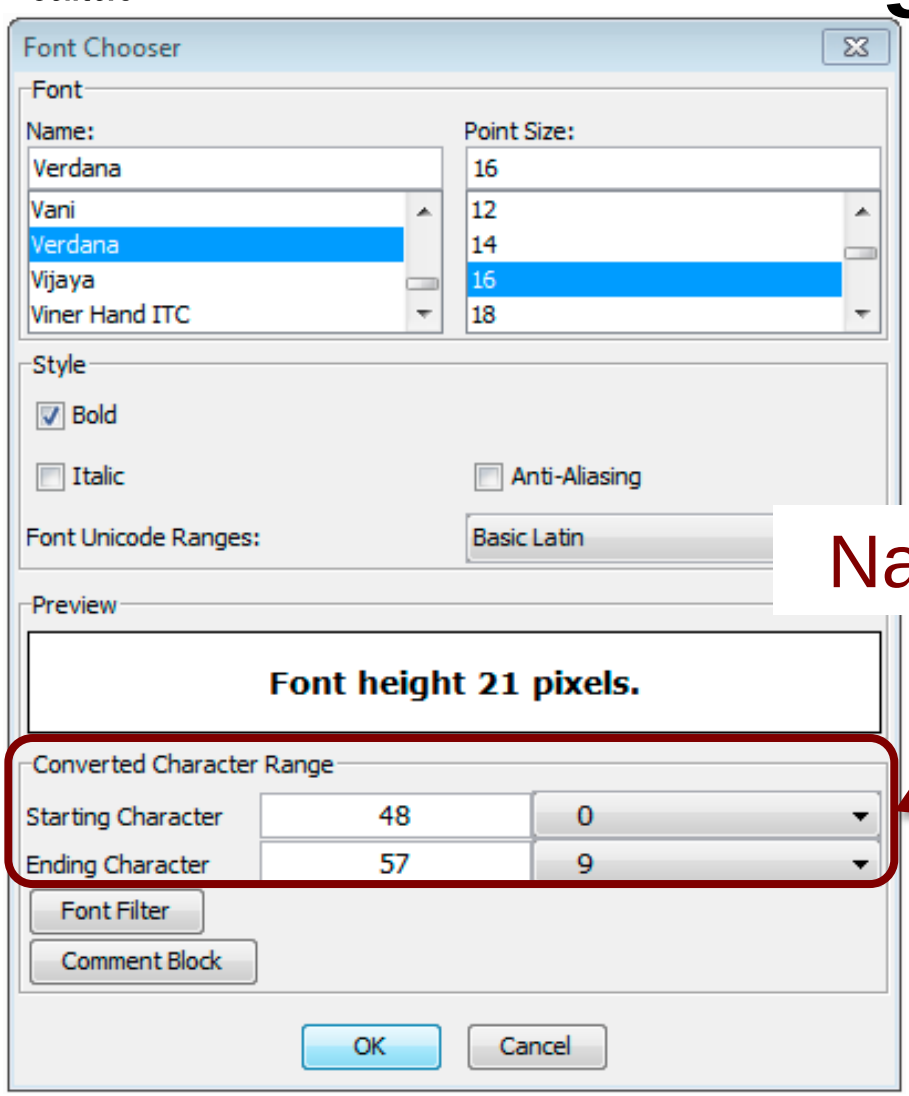
**Application will use the string “Hello World!”**
**Since we only need 9 characters, how can we save flash memory space?**



# Font Filter Text File

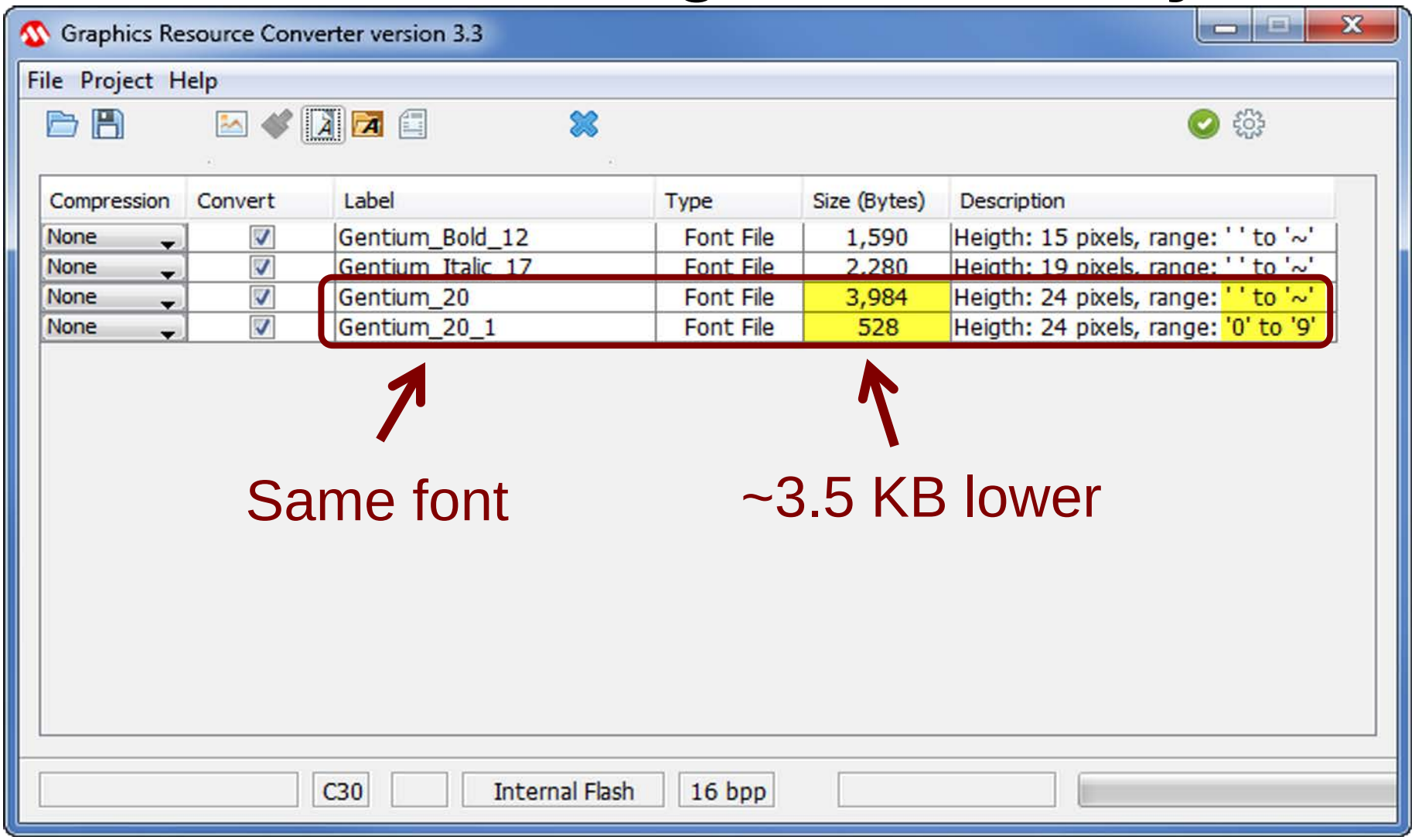
- Editor must support unicode
  - Save in 16-bit unicode format
- Each line must have 3 sections:
  - `<String Label>:<String>//<comments>`
    - "//" Indicator required
    - Comments are optional
- Refer to the Graphics Resource Converter help file or to App Note 1182 for details

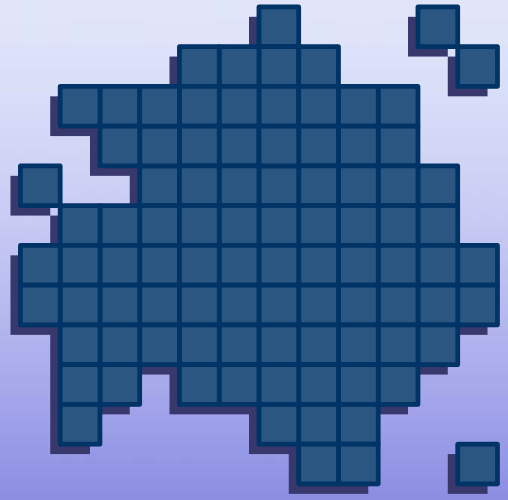
# Graphics Resource Converter
## Reducing Font Memory




Narrow the character range

# Graphics Resource Converter
## Reducing Font Memory

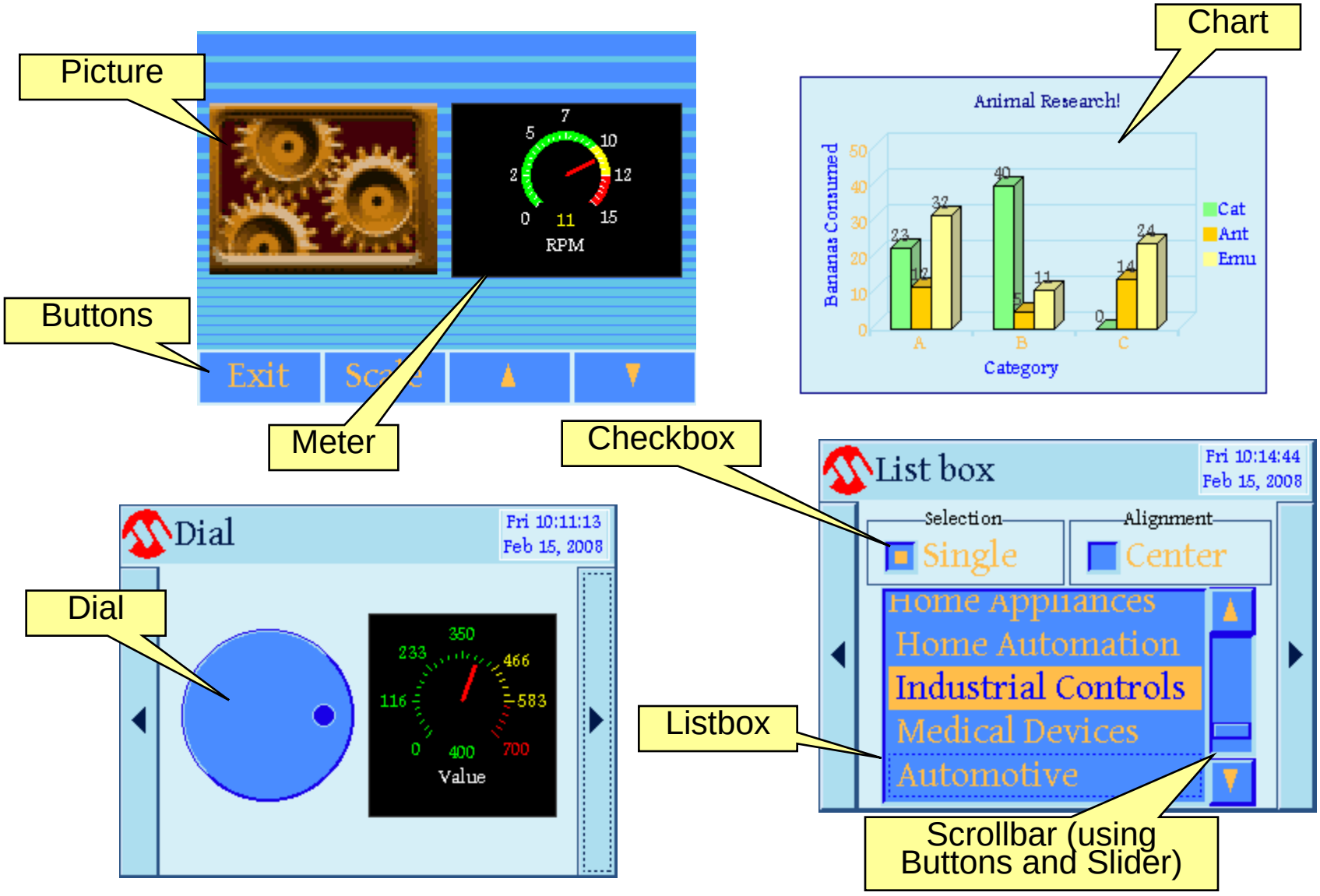




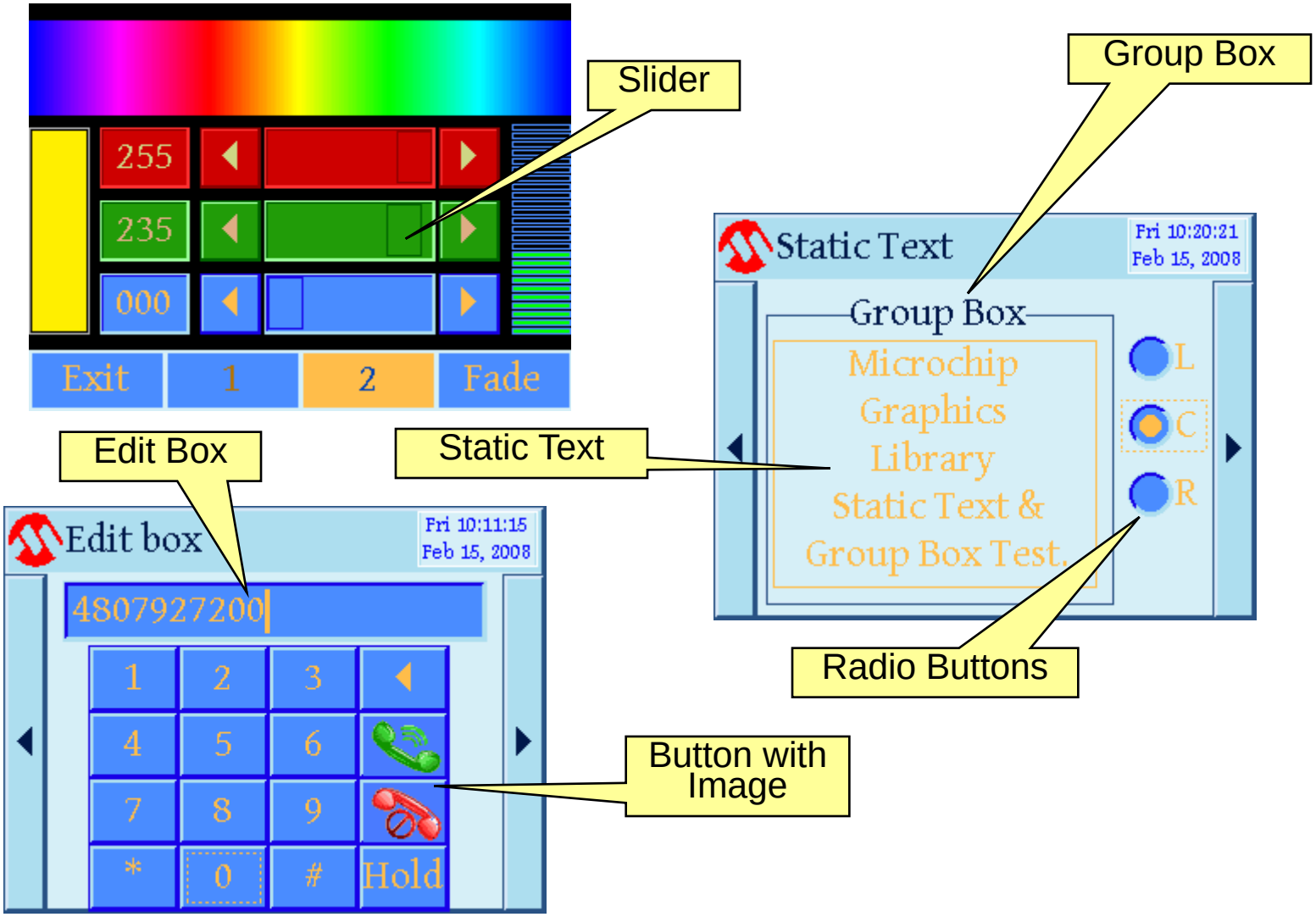
# Microchip Graphics Library

## Basics: Widgets

# Library Widgets

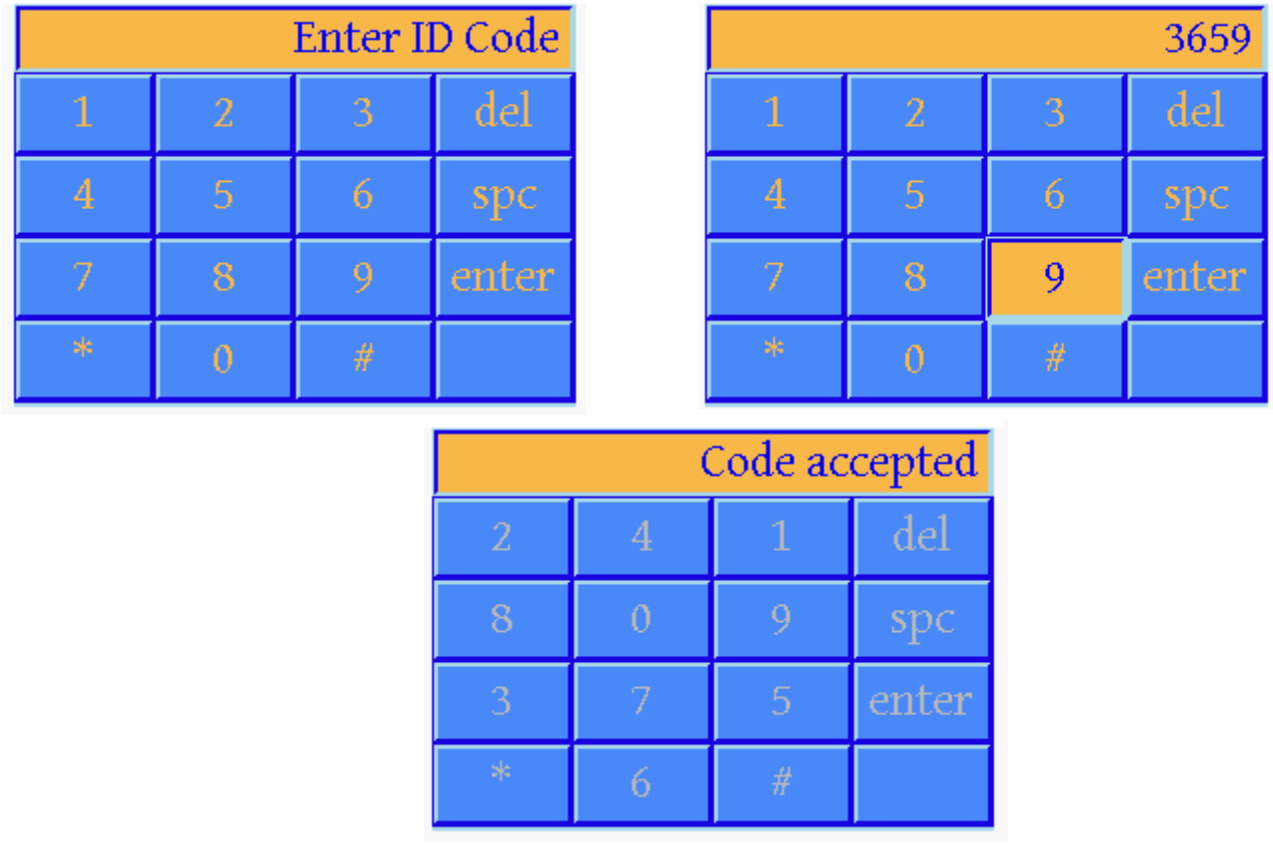


# Library Widgets

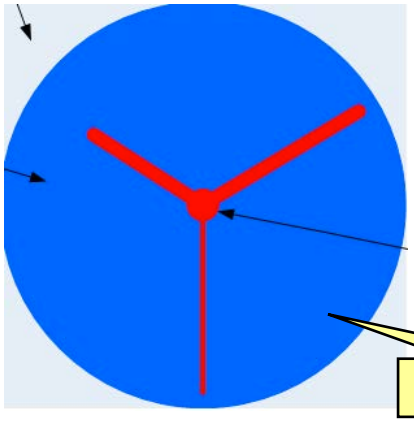


# Library Widgets

- Text Entry Widget
- Custom Widget creation described in AN1246

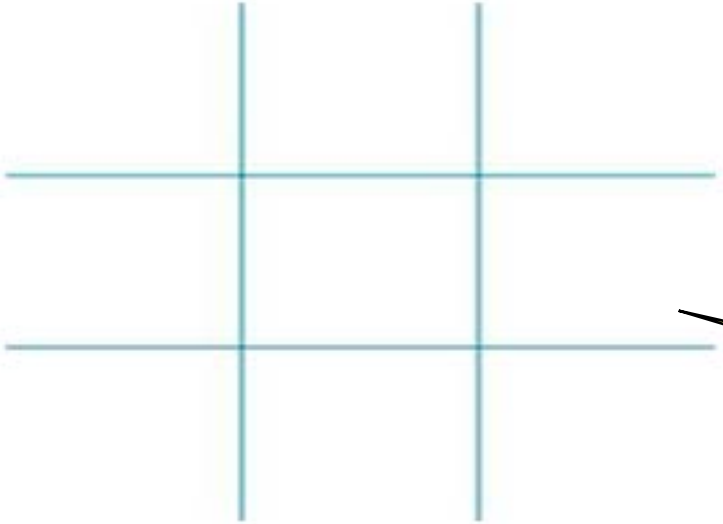


# Library Widgets



Analog Clock


Digital Meter



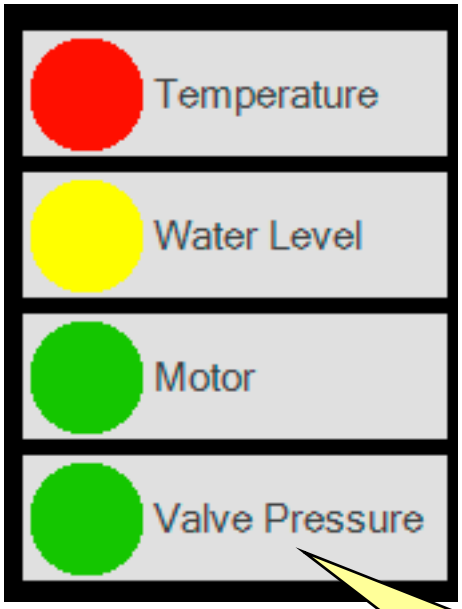
Grid

# VGDD External Widgets

Require license for full version before they can be used


7 seg display


Super Gauge



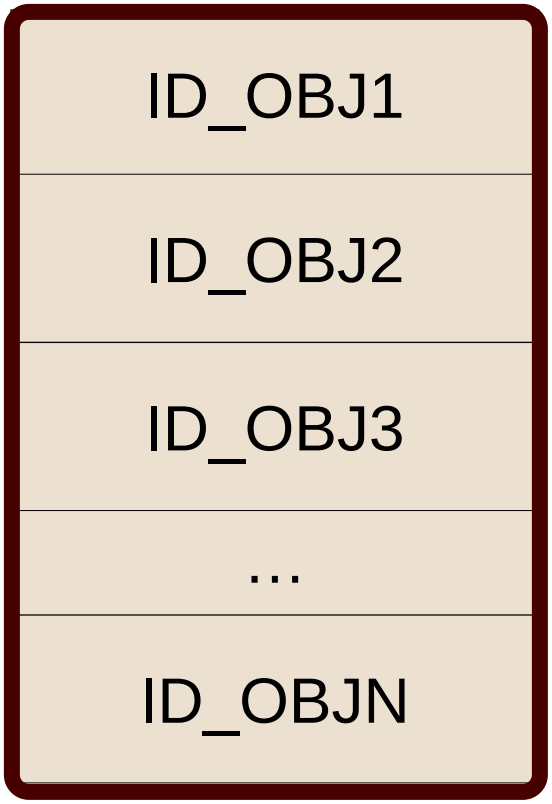

Alarm Indicators

# Widget Abbreviations

Obj =

| Widget Name | Obj Abbreviation |
|---|---|
| Analog Clock | Ac |
| Button | Btn |
| Chart | Ch |
| Checkbox | Cb |
| Round Dial | Rdia |
| Digital Meter | Dm |
| Edit Box | Eb |
| Grid | Grid |
| Group Box | Gb |
| List Box | Lb |
| Meter | Mtr |
| Picture Control | Pict |
| Progress Bar | Pb |
| Radio Button | Rb |
| Slider/Scroll Bar | Sld |
| Static Text | St |
| Text Entry | Te |
| Window | Wnd |

# Creating Widgets




- `ObjCreate(,,,)`
  - Populates the widget structure
  - Adds widget to bottom of the active linked list
  - Returns a pointer to the widget structure
- Heap required
  - Widgets dynamically created
- More details on using the linked list later…

# Creating Widgets
# Object Header Members

- `ID`
  - Unique integer used to form a “Handle”
- `Location`
  - Top, left, bottom, right define placement
- `State`
  - 16-bit value that defines the widget state
- `Style Scheme pointer`
  - Structure that defines widget appearance

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# What is a “heap”?

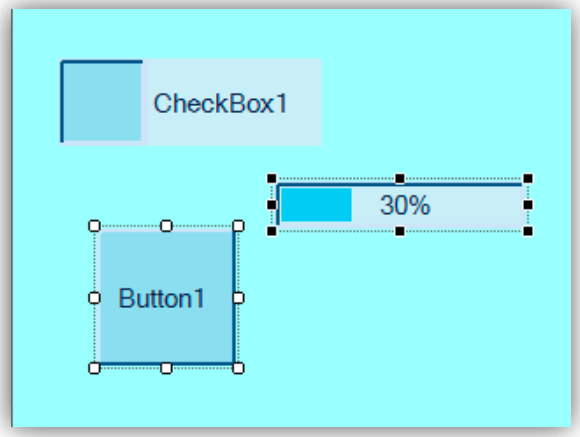
Definition:

The heap is an unused pool of memory (similar to a stack) where a programmer may dynamically allocate memory using malloc() calls. In the embedded world, it is typically used to store recursive data structures (e.g. linked lists). Allocated memory must be freed by the application to avoid difficult runtime errors.

- **Proper memory management required**
  - **Memory Leak:**
    - **Program does not free memory no longer needed**
    - **Leads to heap overrun**
  - **Fragmentation:**
    - **May occur when memory is deallocated in chunks**
    - **New malloc() requests may no longer fit**
    - **Clean up with a defrag engine (not provided in library)**
  - **Both result in runtime errors**
- **`GOLFree()` – Graphics Library Function**
  - **Removes entire linked list from heap**

# Creating Widgets Using VGDD

- VGDD Widget Property Window
- Used to create widget structure
- See changes as they are made

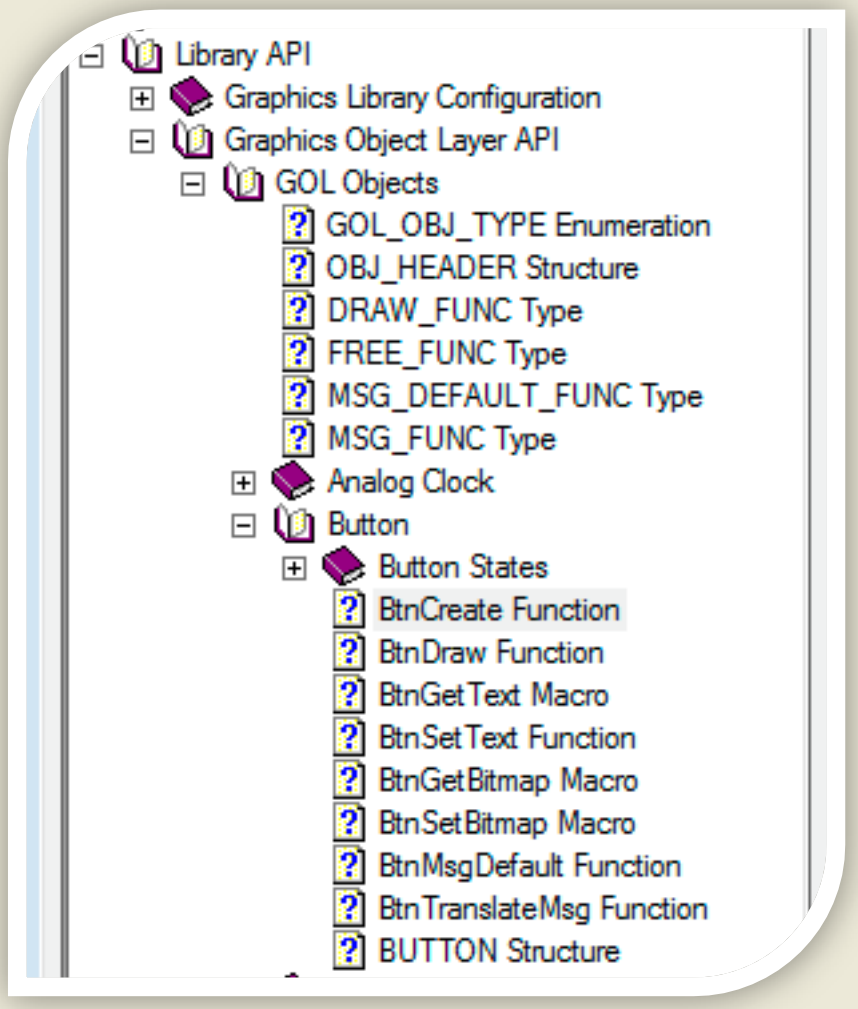



**Widget**

| | |
|---|---|
| (Name) | **Button1** |
| (WidgetType) | Button |
| Bitmap | |
| Bottom | **203** |
| CDeclType | **ConstXcharArray** |
| Focused | False |
| Hidden | False |
| HorizAlign | **Center** |
| Left | **48** |
| Locked | False |
| NoPanel | False |
| Pressed | False |
| Public | False |
| Radius | 1 |
| Right | **127** |
| Scheme | **New** |
| State | **Enabled** |
| Text | **Button1** |
| Top | **125** |
| TwoTone | False |
| VertAlign | **Center** |
| VGDDEvents | **(Collection)** |
| Zorder | **1** |

**(Name)**
Indicates the name used in code to identify the object.

# Widget Help




To find the ObjCreate APIs, expand the desired widget and select the appropriate create function.

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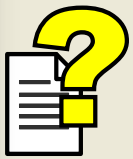
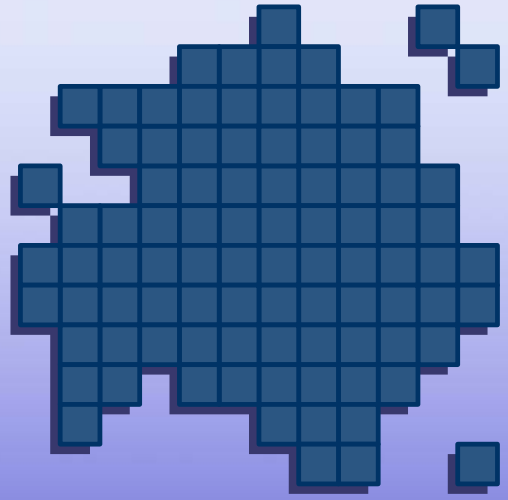


Graphics Library Help.chm


Graphics Library Help.pdf



# Microchip Graphics Library

## Basics:  Style Schemes

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# Widget Style Schemes

Definition:

The Style Scheme is a structure used by the library to define the appearance of widgets by assigning style properties.

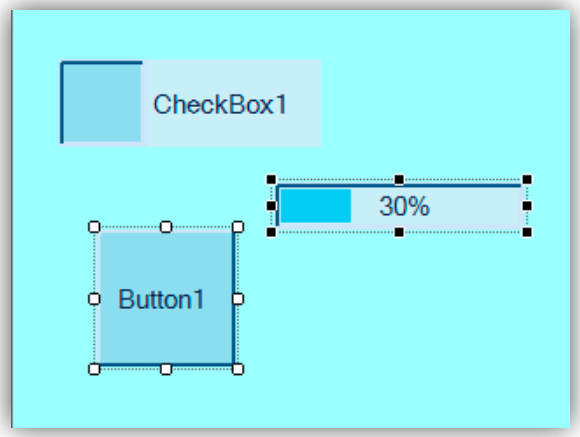
- **Default scheme provided in GOLCreateScheme.c**
  - **May be overridden by the application**
  - **Widgets without assigned schemes use the default scheme**
- **`GOLCreateScheme()` dynamically creates style schemes**
  - **Populates a new scheme structure**
  - **Returns a pointer to that structure**
- **Style Schemes may be created at compile time**
  - **Use '&' operator to reference scheme**
- **All widgets use style scheme member values differently**
  - **Help file provides pictures**

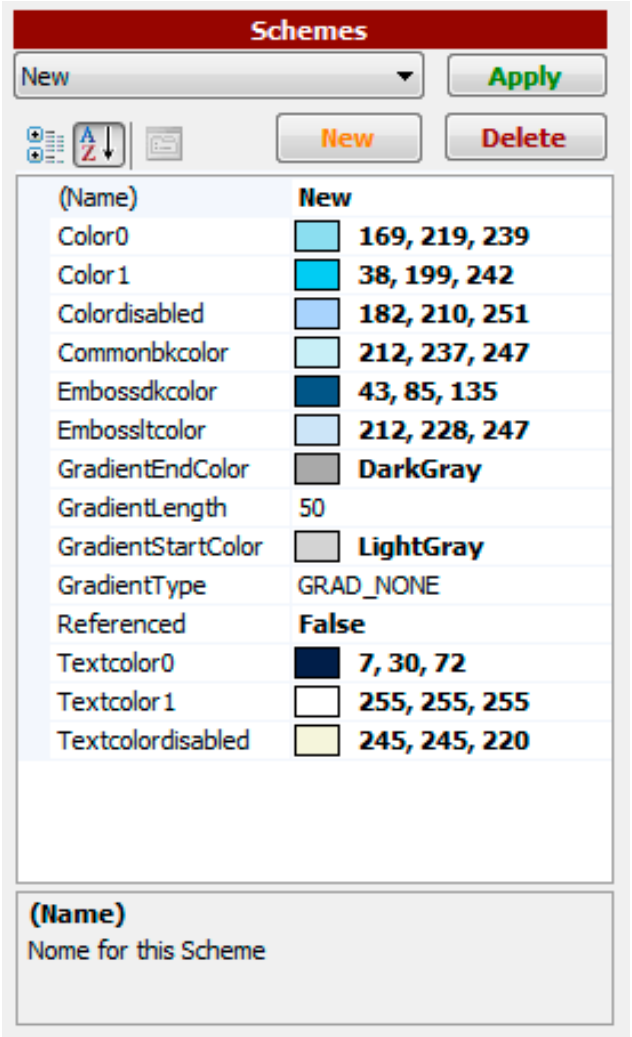
# Style Scheme Structure Defined in GOL.h

| Type | Member | Description |
|---|---|---|
| GFX_COLOR | EmbossDkColor | 3D dark color |
| GFX_COLOR | EmbossLtColor | 3D light color |
| GFX_COLOR | TextColor0 | Objects with text |
| GFX_COLOR | TextColor1 | Objects with text |
| GFX_COLOR | Color0 | Assigned to a state |
| GFX_COLOR | Color1 | Assigned to a state |
| GFX_COLOR | ColorDisabled | Object in disabled state |
| GFX_COLOR | TextColorDisabled | Object in disabled state |
| GFX_COLOR | CommonBkColor | Used to hide objects |
| void | *pFont | Pointer to font selected |
| BYTE | AlphaValue | Define USE_ALPHABLEND |
| GFX_GRADIENT_SCHEME | gradientScheme | Define USE_GRADIENT |

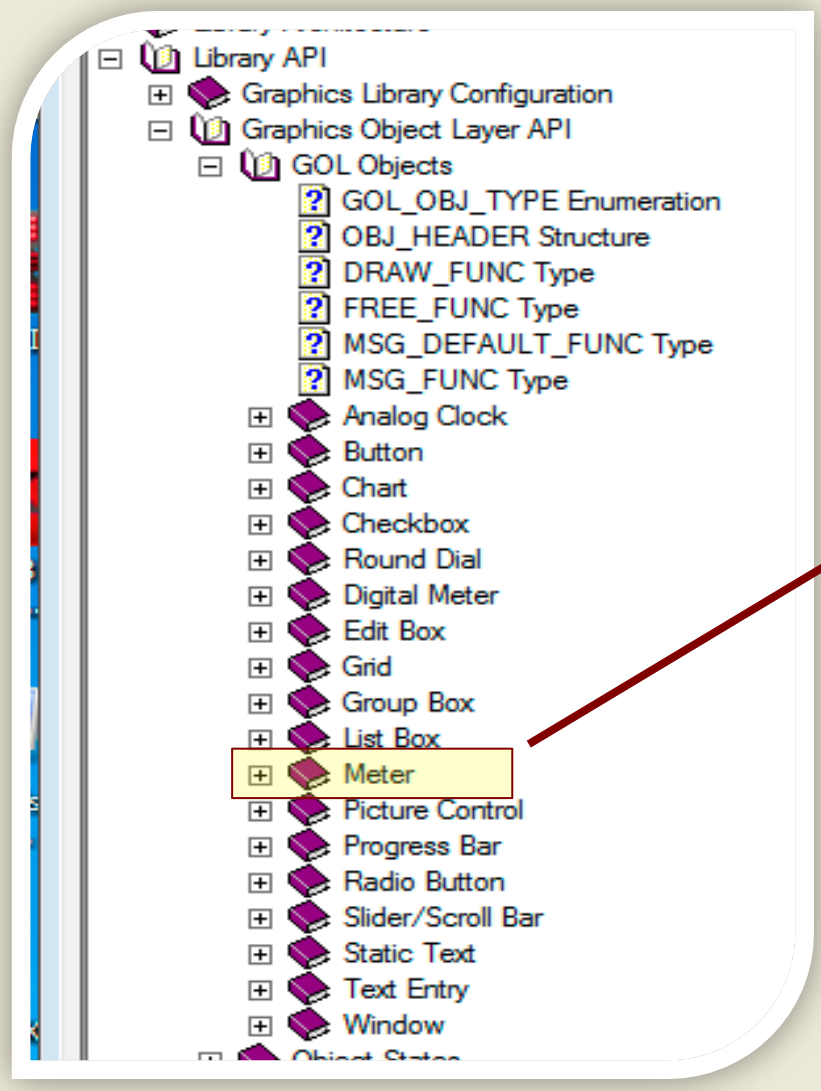
# Creating Style Schemes Using VGDD

- VGDD Style Scheme Window
- Used to style schemes
- See how changes impact other widgets in the design



# Style Scheme Help





Default Half Meter


Half Meter with Arc enabled

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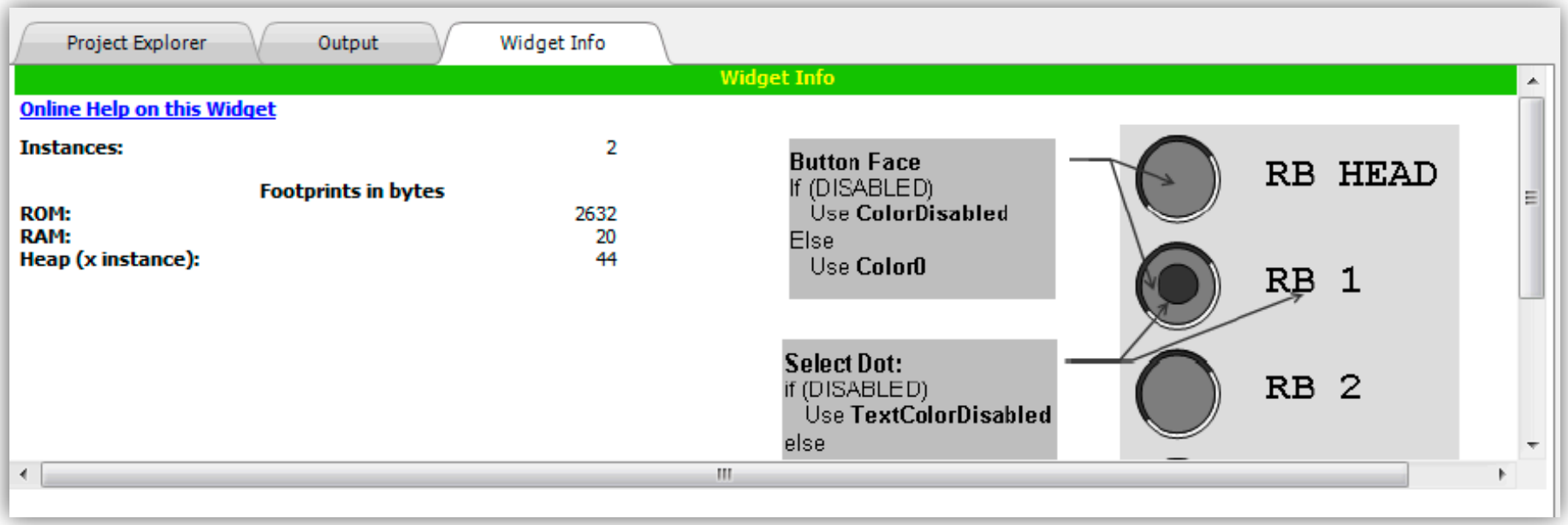
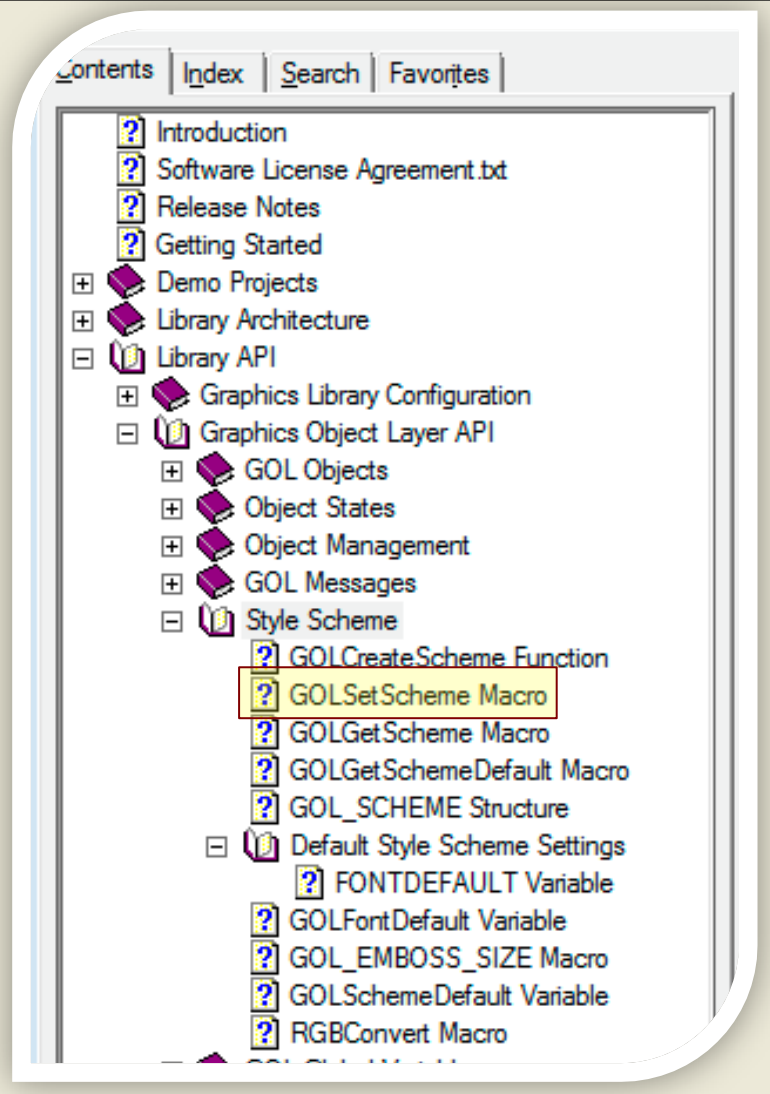
# Creating Style Schemes Using VGDD

- VGDD Widget Info Window
- See widget style scheme information while designing
- Get resource information



# Style Scheme APIs




Descriptions for other APIs that affect the style scheme are found in the Graphics Library help file.

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Graphics Library Help.chm


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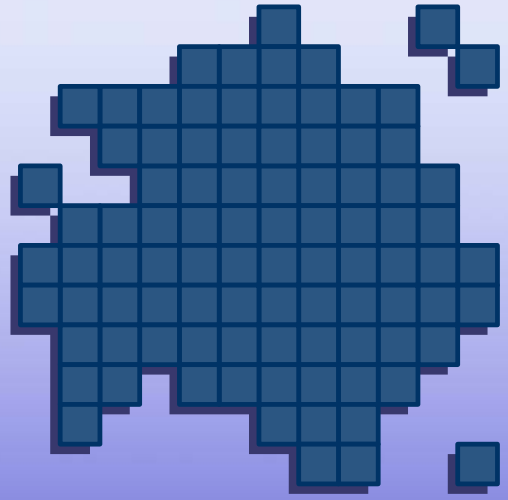

# Microchip Graphics Library

## Getting Started w/ VGDD

## (Visual Graphics Display Designer)

# Visual Graphics Display Designer
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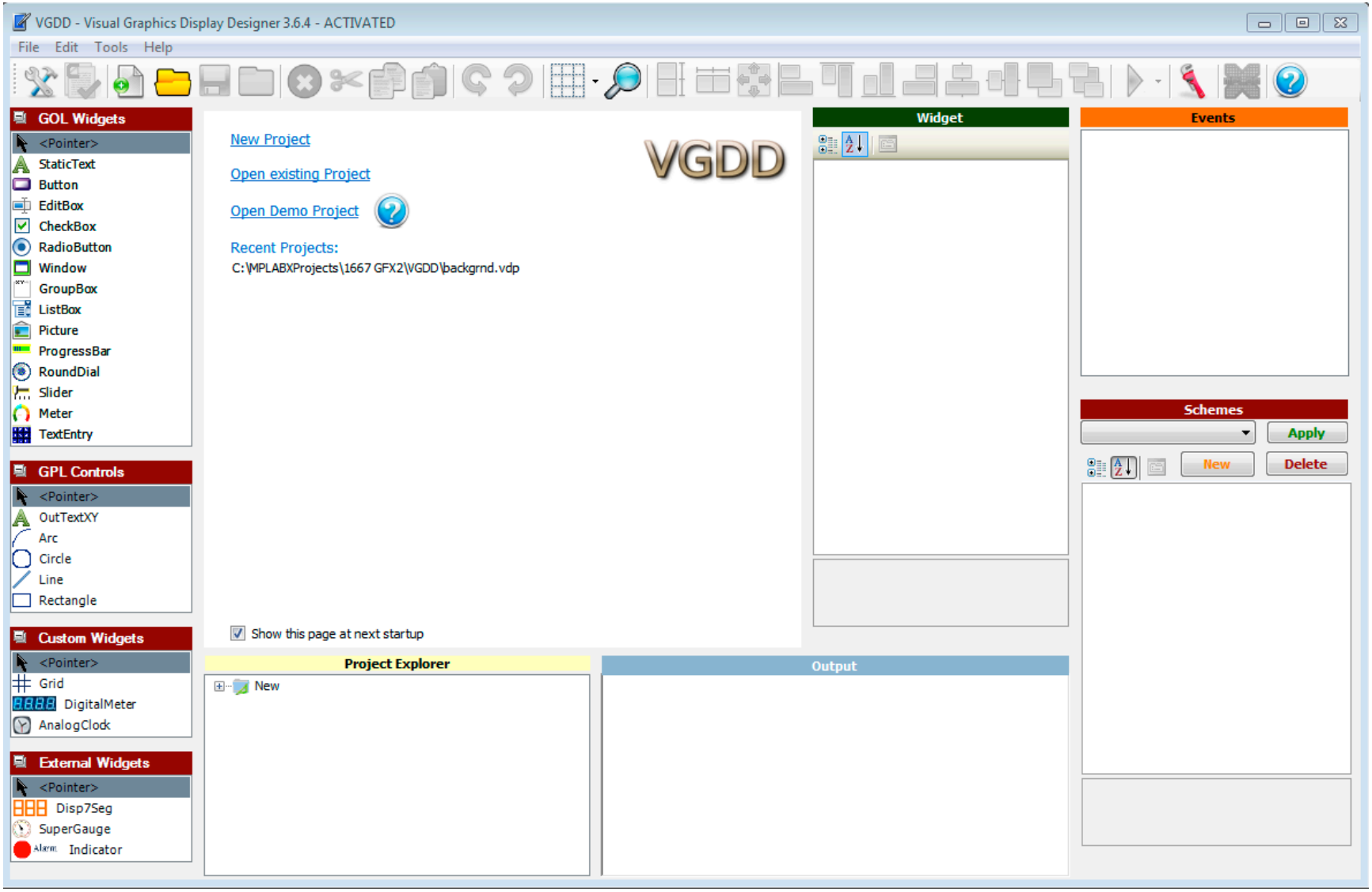
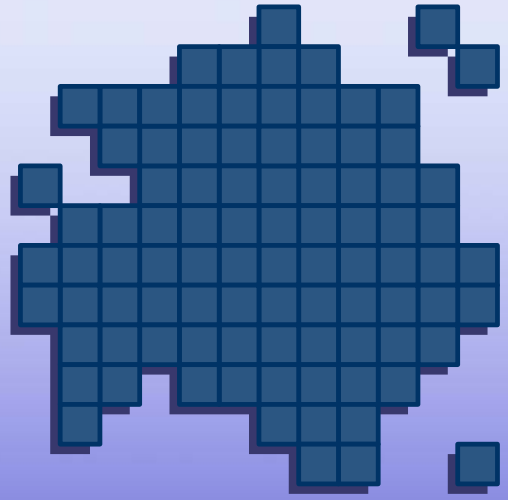




# Lab Exercise 1

Create a Splash Screen

# Lab 1
# Create a Splash Screen

## Purpose

- In this exercise, you will demonstrate your ability to use the Microchip Graphics Library primitive layer functions to create a splash screen for our end application
- If time allows, you will explore the use of gradients and transparency to enhance the splash screen appearance

# Lab Exercise 1
# Create a Splash Screen

## Objective

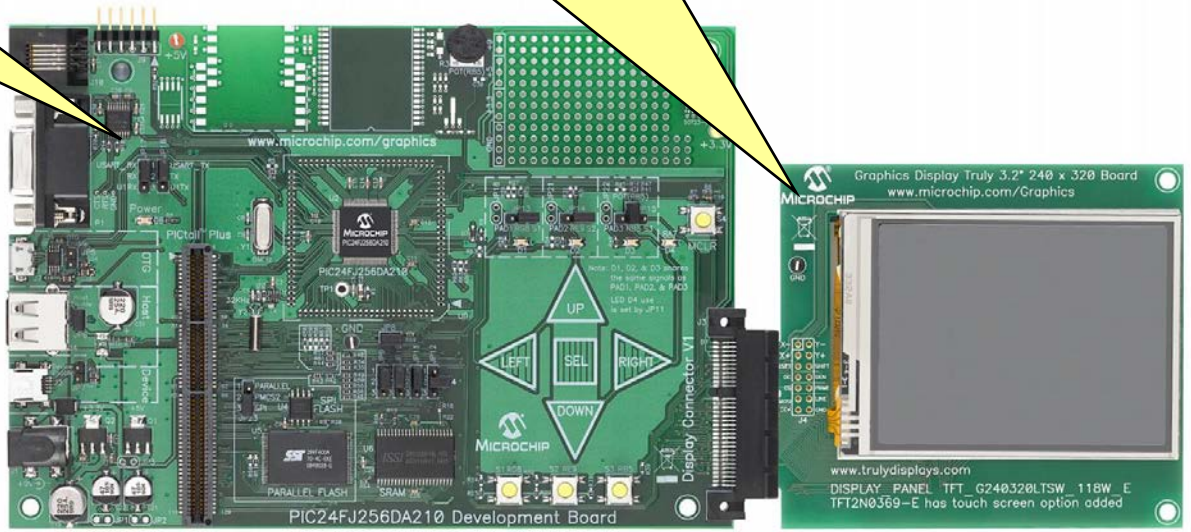
- Use the Graphics Resource Converter to generate font and image files for use in the application code
- Use primitive layer functions to render image and text strings to the display
- Explore how gradients and transparency can enhance the splash screen appearance

# Low Cost Development Tools

PIC24FJ256DA210 Development Board

Graphics Display Truly 3.2 240x320 Board


OR


- PIC24FJ256DA210 Development Board (DM240312)
- Graphics Display Board (AC164127-x)
- MPLAB® ICD 3 In-Circuit Debugger (DV164035)
  - OR
- MPLAB REAL ICE™ In-Circuit Emulator (DV244005)

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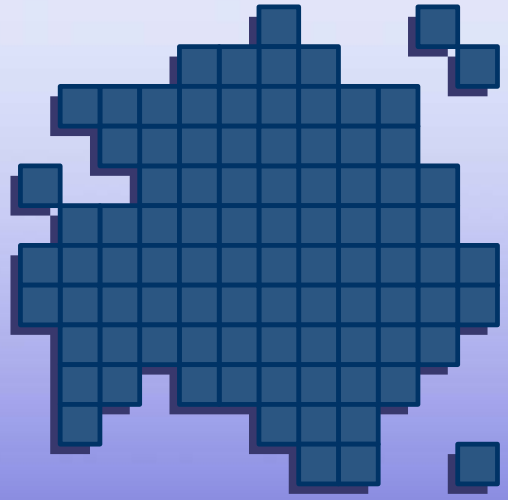
# LCC and DA210

- DA210:
- Built in graphics accelerator including: font rendering, CLUT, bitBLT, and accelerated bar draw functions.
- 16 MIPS microcontroller.
- 76k internal frame buffer
- Max pixel clock support VGA at 30Hz
- LCC:
- 80 MIPS controller (this will get faster as the PIC32 portfolio grows)
- 128k internal frame buffer. (this will get larger as the PIC32 portfolio grows)
- Pixel Clock Jitter in External Frame Buffer mode (will not be present on updated PICs)
- Max pixel clock support VGA at 20Hz
- Can be done in 8bit PMP mode (frees up IO pins).

# Lab 1
# Create a Splash Screen

## Procedure

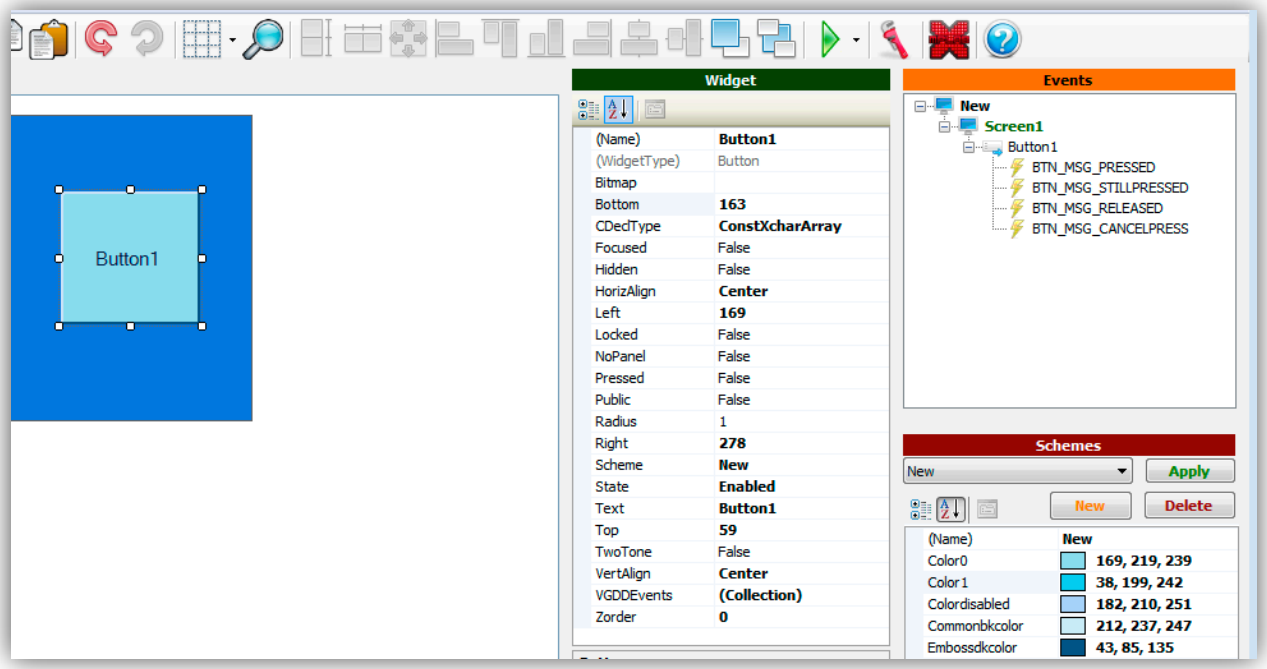
- **Follow the instructions in the lab manual starting on page 1-1**



# Lab Exercise 2

Create a Menu Screen

# VGDD Style Schemes




- VGDD contains a style scheme manager
- Demo – Use the style scheme manager to alter style schemes

# Lab 2
## Create a Menu Screen

### Purpose

- **In this exercise, you will demonstrate your ability to use the VGDD to create a menu screen for our end application**
- **You will enhance the icons through the use of transparency**

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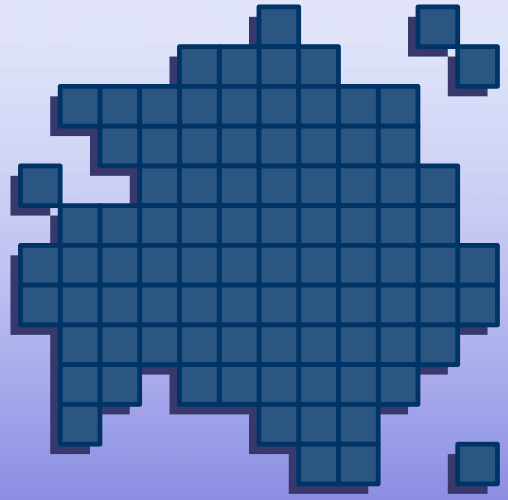
# Lab 2
# Create a Menu Screen

## Objective

- Use VGDD to create a screen with:
  - 3 Rounded Buttons (one with text, two with image(no text))
  - 3 Static Texts to label the Buttons
- In VGDD, create and apply new style schemes
- Generate the code and program the microcontroller to examine the screen



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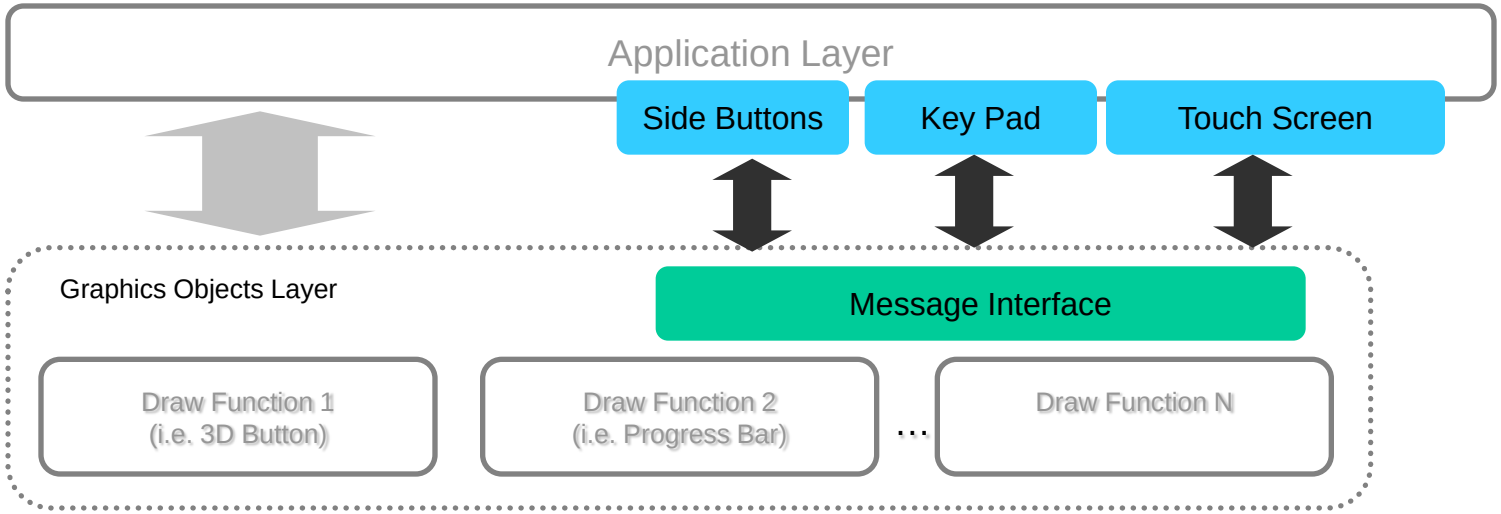
## Interfacing the User:

## GOL Messaging Interface

# Message Interface

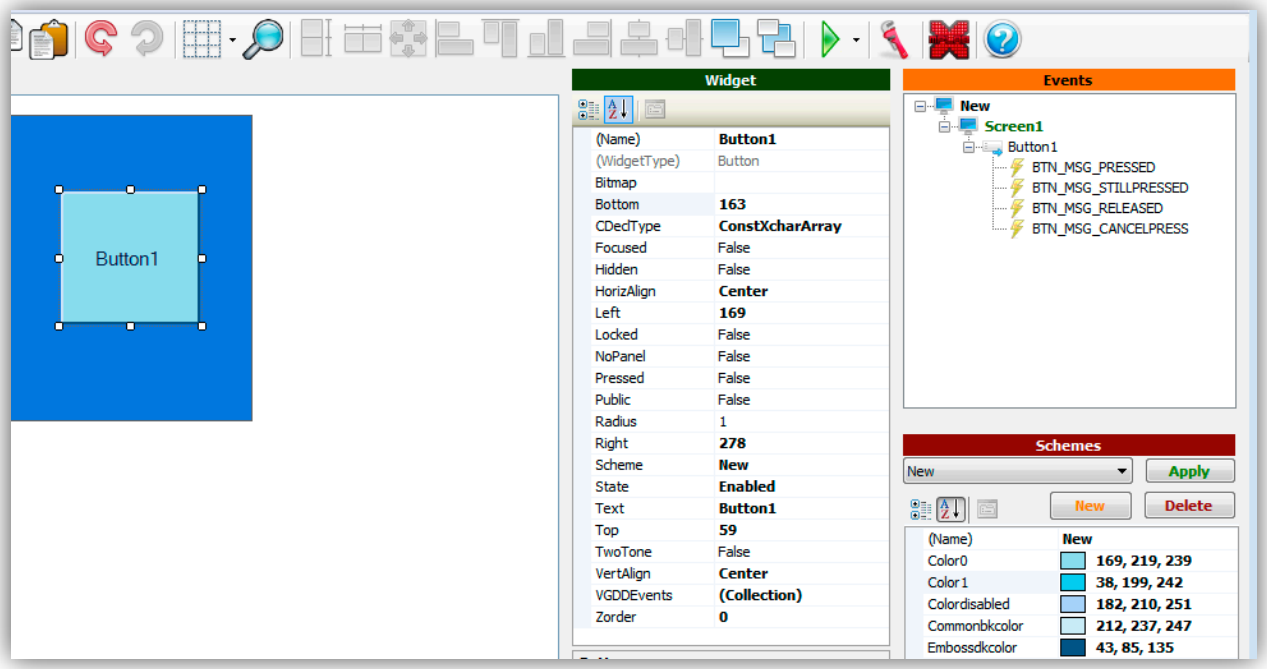



- **Simplifies integration of user input devices**
- **Allow application to efficiently manage widgets**
- **Provides seamless interface for the user**

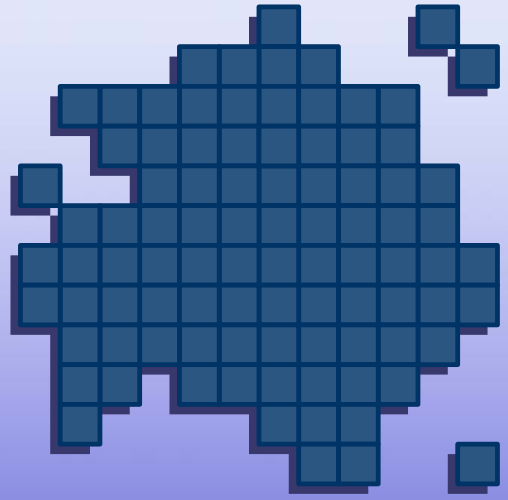
# Interfacing the User Application Requirements Part 1

- Detect user input
  - Touchscreen driver files included in library
  - Sidebutton and keyboard detection up to user
- Populate message structure (`GOL_MSG` type)
  - Based on the input detected
- Call `GOLMsg(&msg)`
  - Where `&msg` is address of message structure
- `GOLMsg(&msg)` translates the message
  - Translation determines action (e.g. button looks pressed or not)
  - Application may customize widget response

# VGDD Event Handling




- VGDD contains an event handler
- Allows customization of widget behavior
- But first, we need to learn a little more about widgets and events …



# Microchip Graphics Library

## Interfacing the User:
## Widget States

# Widget States

- 16-bit value used to represent the widgets state
  - Member of widget structure
- Drawing states indicate widget needs to be:
  - Fully drawn
  - Partially drawn
  - Hidden
- Property states define action and appearance
  - Button is pressed or released
  - Text alignment in a static text widget
- Macros are used to identify state values
  - Example: `BTN_DRAW` indicates button should be fully drawn
  - Logical OR used to combine states
  - Example: `BTN_DRAW | BTN_PRESSED` indicates button should be drawn in the pressed state

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# Button Drawing States

| Statebit Macro | Description |
|---|---|
| BTN_DISABLED | Button will not accept messages |
| BTN_DRAW | Button must be fully redrawn |
| BTN_DRAW_FOCUS | Button focus must be redrawn |
| BTN_FOCUS | Button is focused |
| BTN_HIDE | Button must be covered with CommonBkColor |
| BTN_PRESSED | Button is in the pressed state |
| BTN_TEXTBOTTOM | Button text is bottom aligned |
| BTN_TEXTTOP | Button text is top aligned |
| BTN_TEXTLEFT | Button text is left aligned |
| BTN_TEXTRIGHT | Button text is right aligned |
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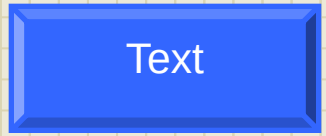
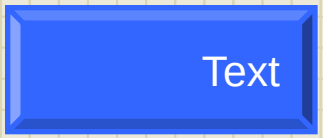
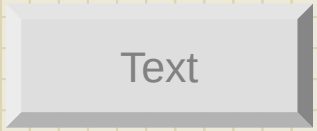
# State Macros

- `SetState(pObj, state)`
  - Set specified state
  - States remain set until cleared
- `ClrState(pObj, state)`
  - Clear specified state
- `GetState(pObj, state)`
  - Get a widget's state
- Where…
  - `pObj` = pointer to the widget structure
  - `state` = desired state

# State Bits Example
# Button Widget





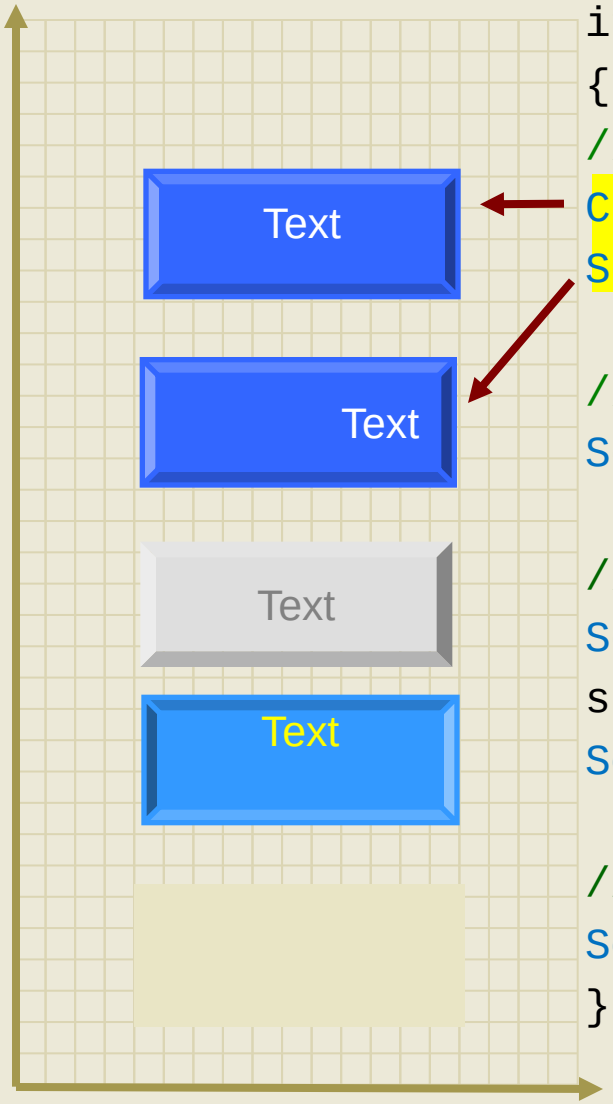
```
if (GOL_DRAW())
{
// Example Button text alignments
ClrState(pBtn, BTN_PRESSED);
SetState(pBtn, BTN_TEXTRIGHT);

// Example Button Focus
SetState(pBtn, BTN_FOCUSED);

// Example Button Action
SetState(pBtn, BTN_DISABLED);
state = BTN_PRESSED|BTN_TEXTTOP|BTN_TEXTLEFT;
SetState(pBtn, state);

// Example Hiding Button
SetState(pBtn, BTN_HIDE)
}
```

# Button States

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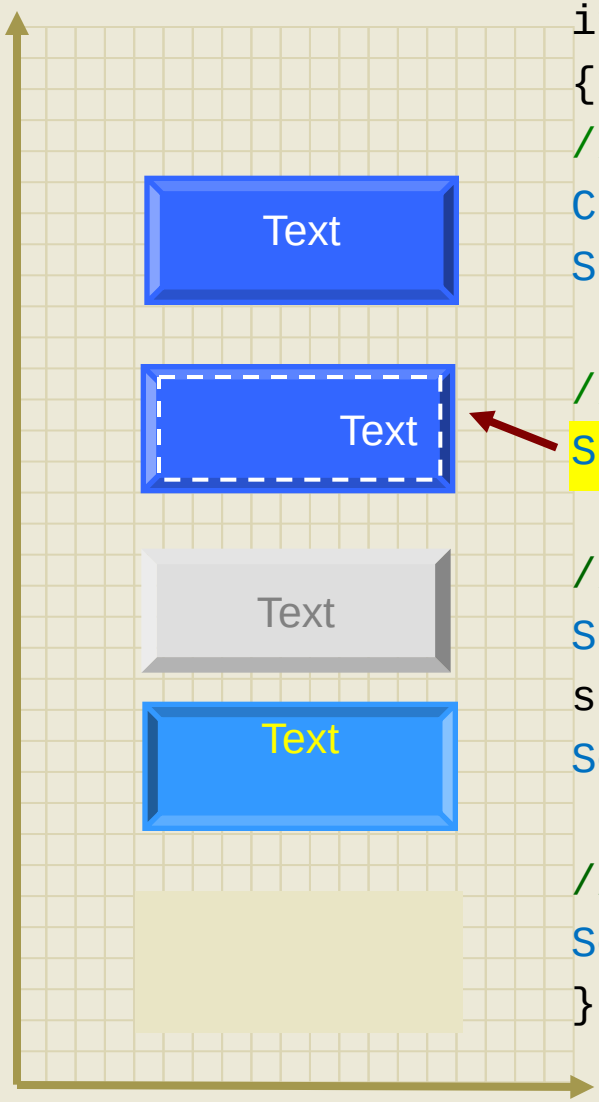


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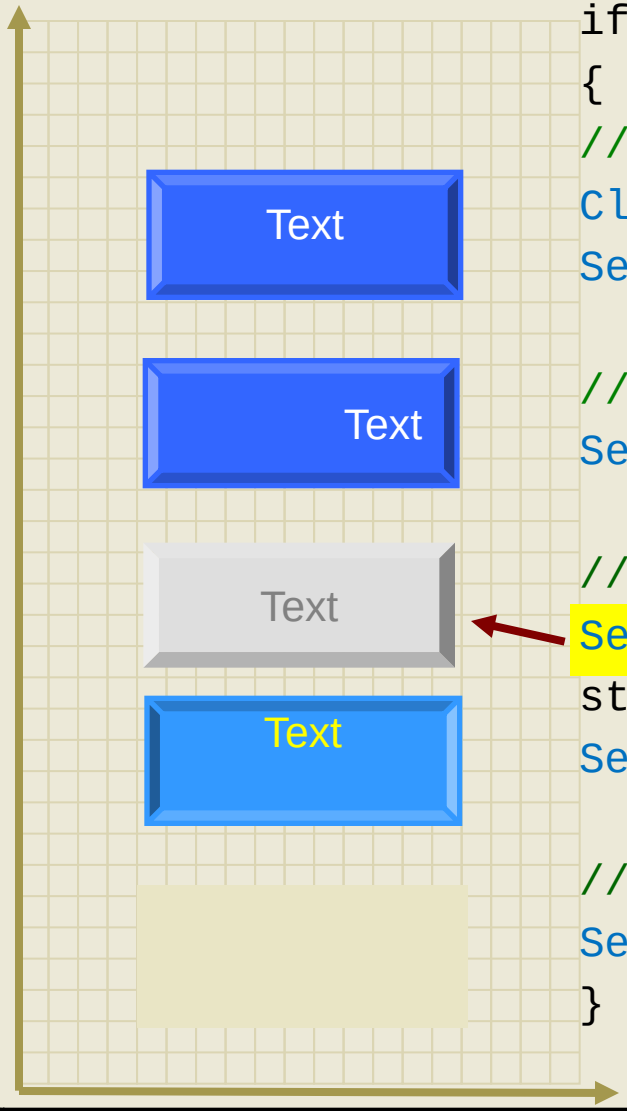


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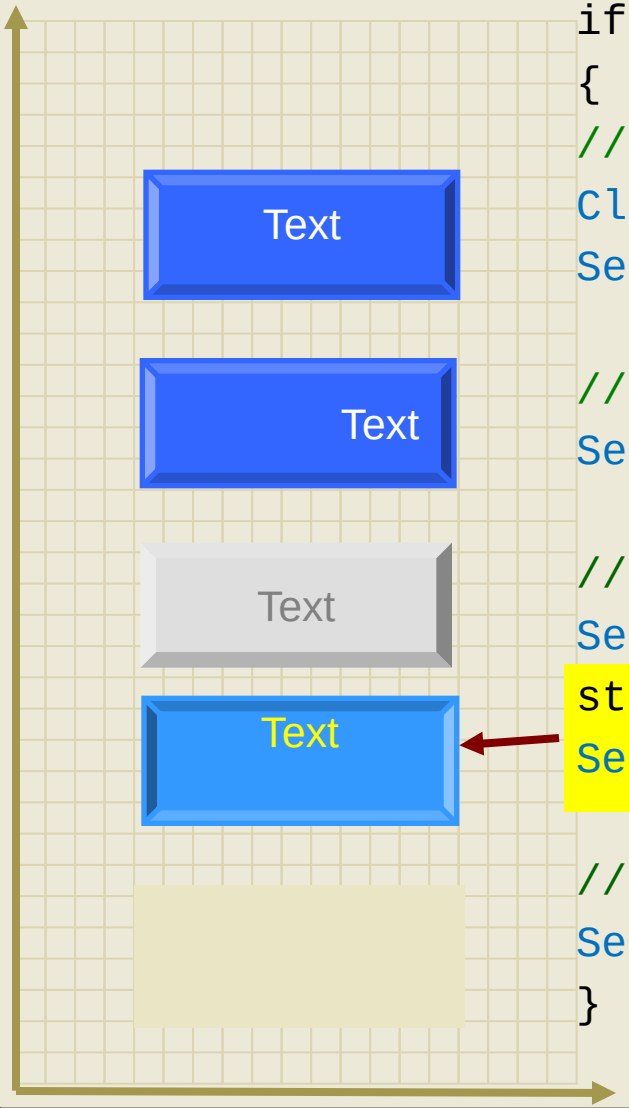


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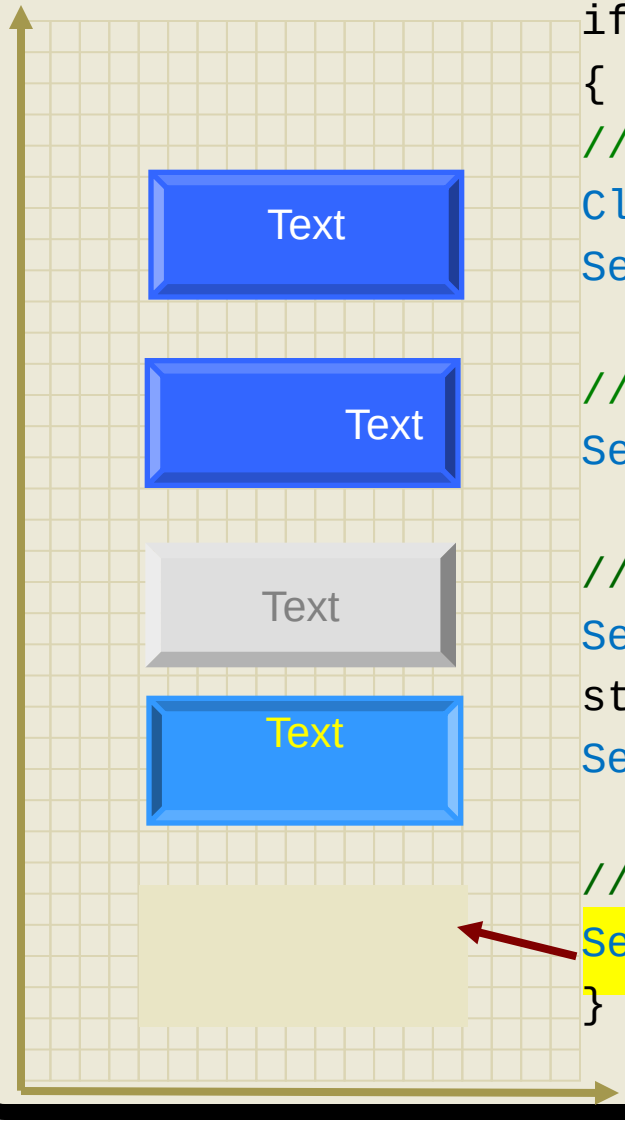


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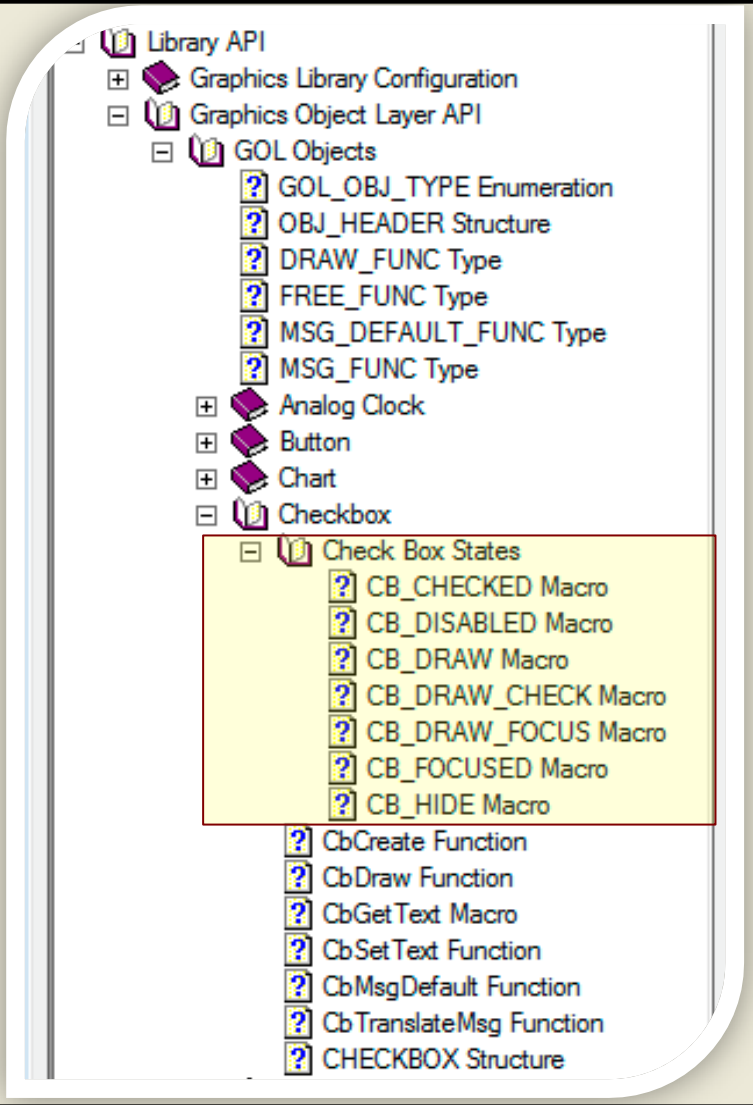
# Widget State Help




Every widget also has unique state bits. These can be found in the library help file as shown…

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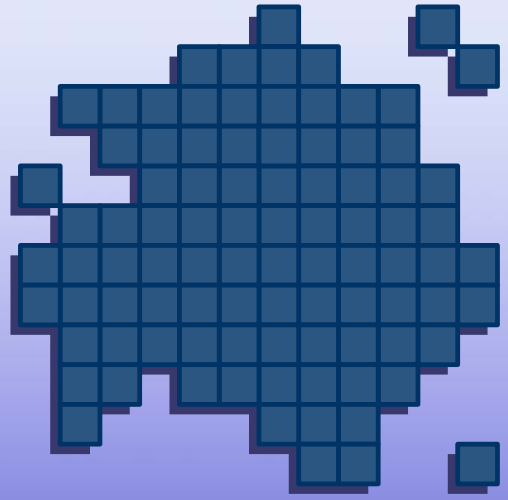
Graphics Library Help.chm


Graphics Library Help.pdf



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Referencing Widgets

# Pointer to Widget

## Assign pointer when widget is created

```
void CreateButtons(void)
{
…
BUTTON          *pBtn
#define          ID_BTN2        16
…
…
pBtn =          BtnCreate(
                ID_BTN2,        // 2nd Button ID
                x3, y3,         // left, top
                x4, y4,         // right, bottom
                Radius,         // Rounded edges
                BTN_DRAW,       // Display button
                &arrow,         // use this bitmap
                NULL,           // no text
                altScheme);     // style scheme
…
}
```

Declare the Pointer

Assign Widget

# Pointer to Widget Another Way…

- **GOLFindObject(ID)**
  - Returns ADDRESS of the widget
  - Avoid mismatch warning by typecasting

```
BUTTON *pBtn
…


pBtn =   (BUTTON*)GOLFindObject(ID_BTN1);

SetState (pBtn, BTN_DRAW);
pBtn =   (BUTTON*)GOLFindObject(ID_BTN2);
SetState (pBtn, BTN_DRAW);
```


# Widget Identifier

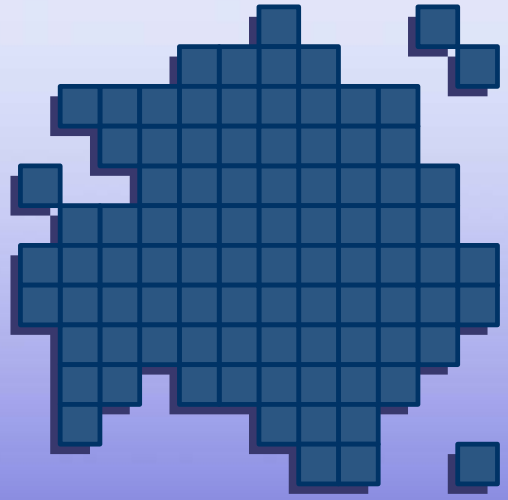
- **GetObjID(*pObj)**
  - Returns ID member of the widget structure

```
#define ID_BTN1
BUTTON *pBtn;
…

currObjID = GetObjID(pBtn);
switch(currObjID){
   case ID_BTN1:
         //do something useful
   break;
…}
```

Declare the Pointer

Assign Widget



# Microchip Graphics Library

## Interfacing the User:
## Managing Widgets

# Widget Abbreviations

Obj =

| Widget Name | Obj Abbreviation |
|---|---|
| Analog Clock | Ac |
| Button | Btn |
| Chart | Ch |
| Checkbox | Cb |
| Round Dial | Rdia |
| Digital Meter | Dm |
| Edit Box | Eb |
| Grid | Grid |
| Group Box | Gb |
| List Box | Lb |
| Meter | Mtr |
| Picture Control | Pict |
| Progress Bar | Pb |
| Radio Button | Rb |
| Slider/Scroll Bar | Sld |
| Static Text | St |
| Text Entry | Te |
| Window | Wnd |

# Widget Management APIs

- Widget's with text strings
  - `ObjSetText(*pObj, *pText)`
  - `ObjGetText(*pObj)`
    - Returns a pointer to the text string in use
  - Works with button, checkbox, edit box, group box, radio button, static text, and window widgets

- Widget's with images:
  - `ObjSetBitmap(*pObj, *pImage)`
  - `ObjGetBitmap(*pObj)`
    - Returns a pointer to the bitmap in use
  - Works with picture and button widgets

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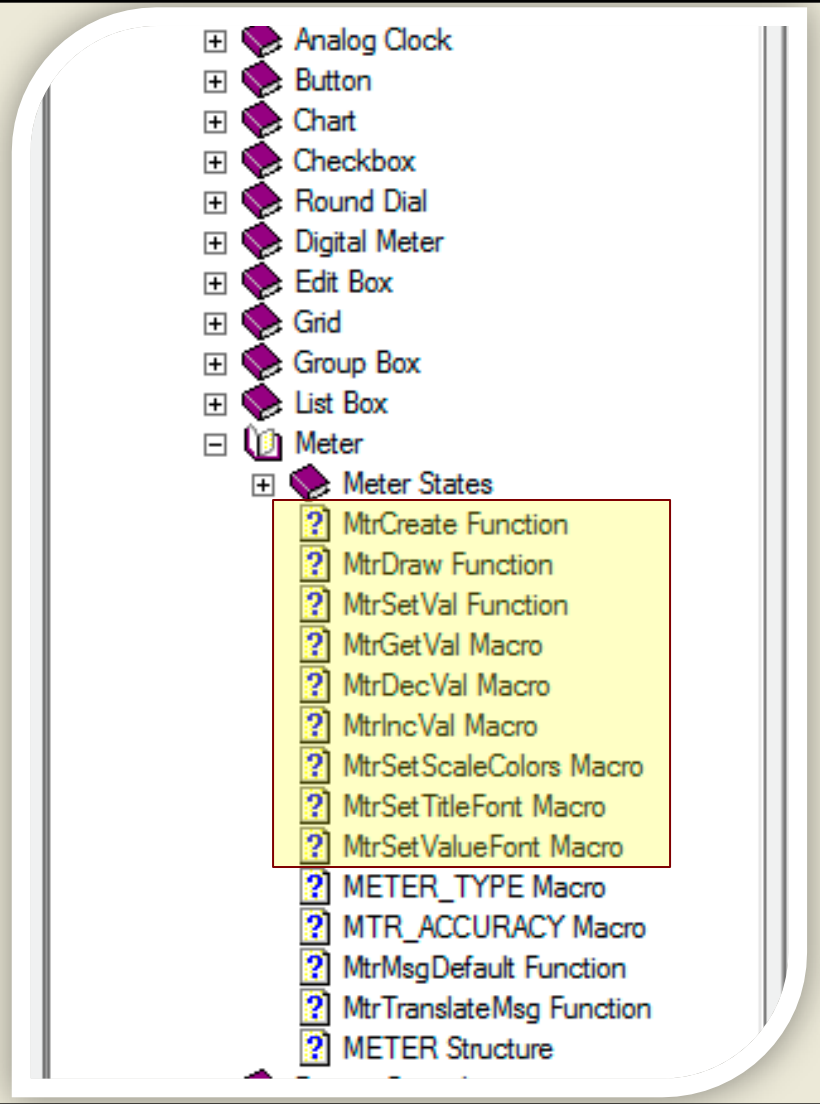
# Widget Management APIs

- Positional Widgets
  - `ObjSetPos(*pObj, posValue)`
  - `ObjGetPos(*pObj)`
    - Returns the current position
  - `ObjSetRange(*pObj, rangeValue)`
  - `ObjGetRange(*pObj)`
    - Returns the current range
  - Works with progress bar and slider widgets
- Widgets have various management APIs available
- Refer to library help file for more details

# Widget Management API Help




The widget management APIs are found under the individual widgets in the Graphics Object Layer section of the help file.

../Microchip/Help

Graphics Library Help.chm

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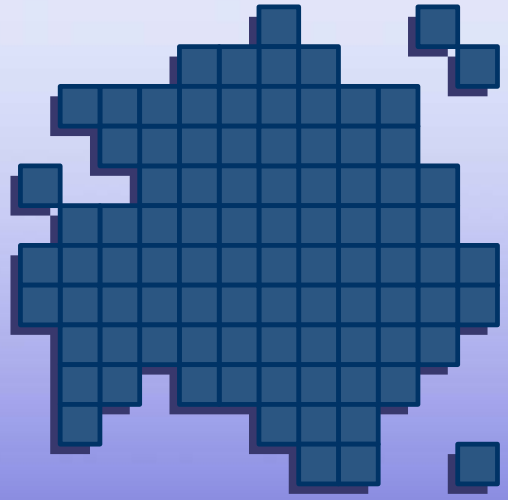

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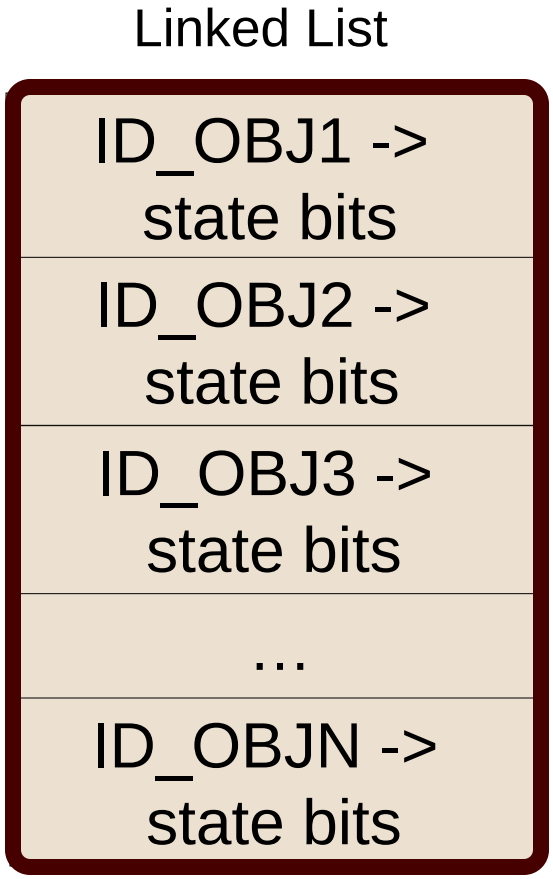
Receiving Messages

# Receiving Messages




- `GOLMsg(&msg)`
  - User must supply pointer to a message structure
  - Immediately returns if `EVENT_INVALID`
  - Translates message
  - Finds affected widget in linked list
  - Modifies widget state
  - Returns TRUE when done

# Message Structure

- Message Structure

```
typedef struct {
  BYTE          type;
 BYTE          uiEvent;
 SHORT         param1;
 SHORT         param2;
   } GOL_MSG;
```

- `type`: identify input device type
- `uiEvent`: identify the event
- `param1`:
- `param2`: provide information based on `type` and `uiEvent`

# Message Structure
## type = TYPE_TOUCHSCREEN

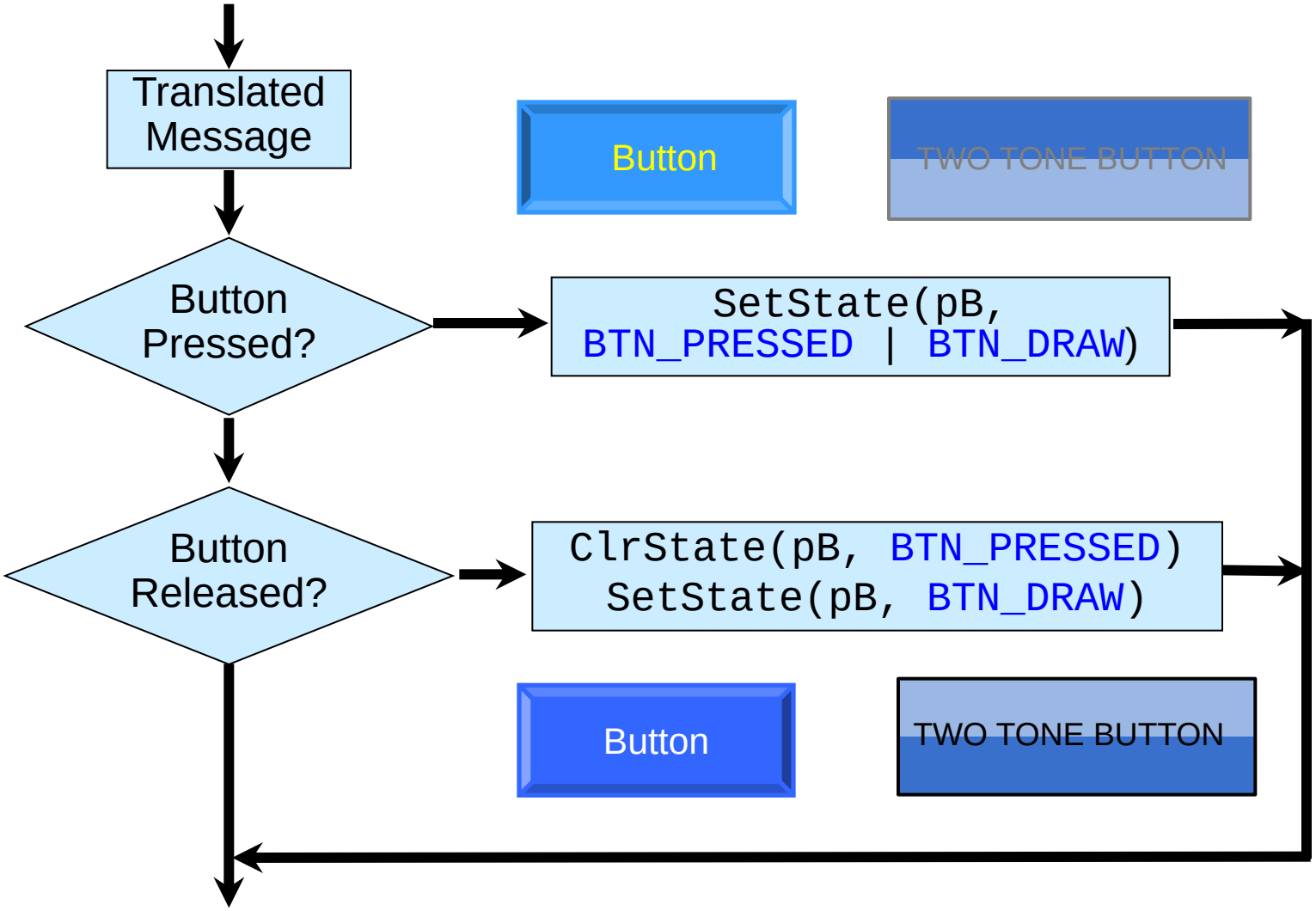
- Valid **uiEvent** values
  - **EVENT_PRESS**
  - **EVENT_STILLPRESS**
  - **EVENT_RELEASE**
  - **EVENT_MOVE**
  - **EVENT_INVALID**
    - No touch
- **param1** = x coordinate of touch
- **param2** = y coordinate of touch

# Message Structure
## type = TYPE_KEYBOARD

- **param1** = Object identifier of receiving widget
- Valid **uiEvent** values
  - **EVENT_KEYSCAN**
    - **param2** = Scan Code
  - **EVENT_CHARCODE**
    - **param2** = character to add
  - **EVENT_INVALID**
    - No key pressed

AT keyboard scan codes are provided in the library help file

# Widget Default Actions
# Button



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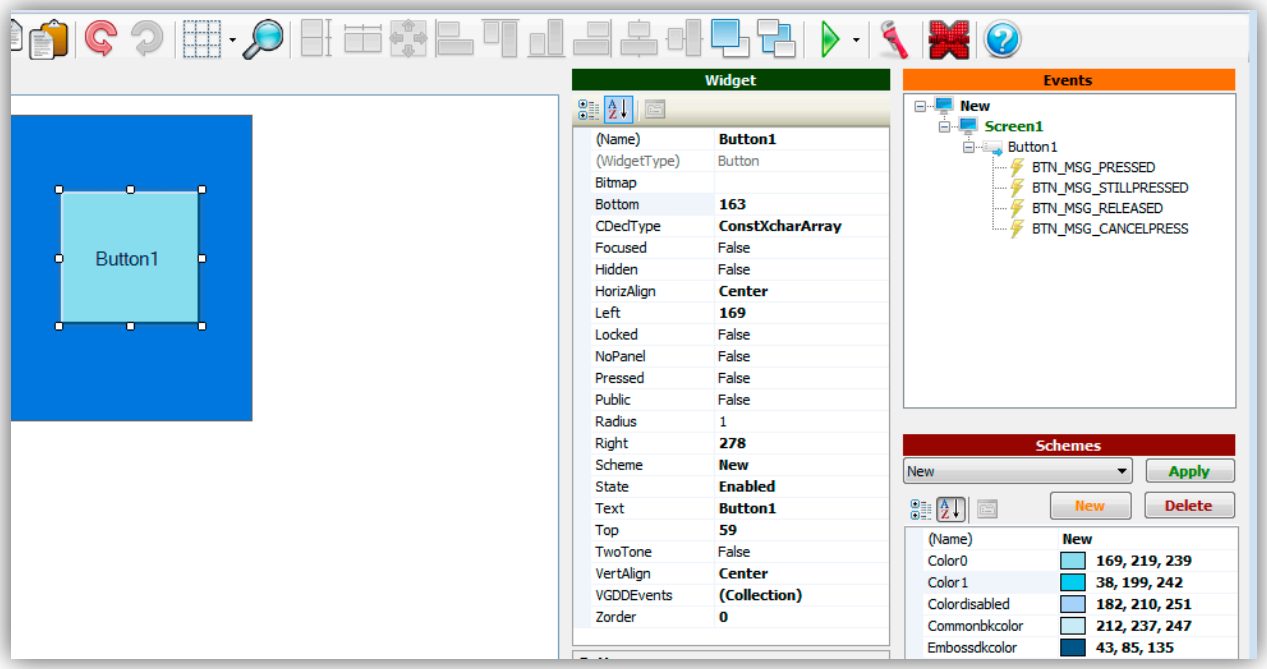
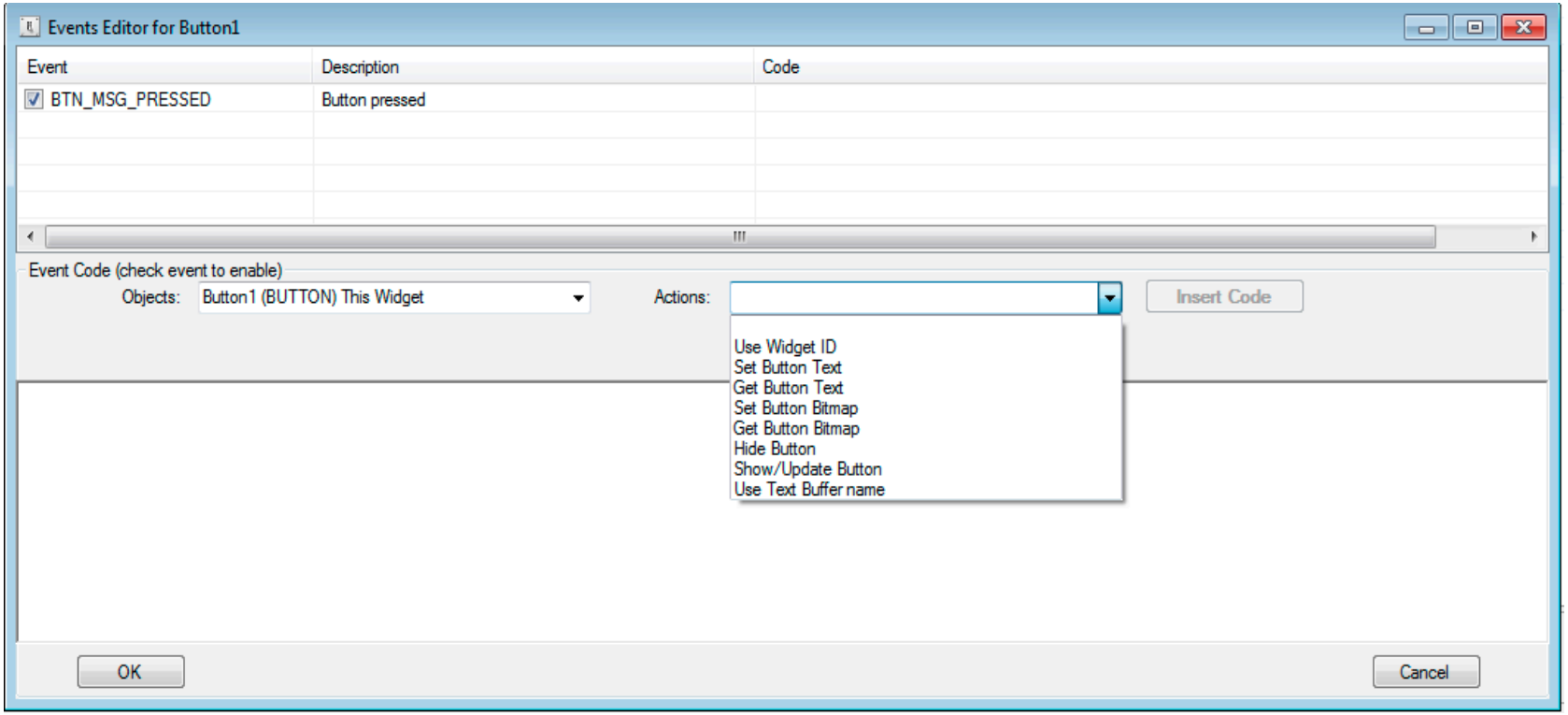



- VGDD contains a simulator
- Touchscreen driver included in project
  - Will need to change if using a side buttons
- Demo to show widget default events

# Widget Management APIs
# VGDD Event Handler



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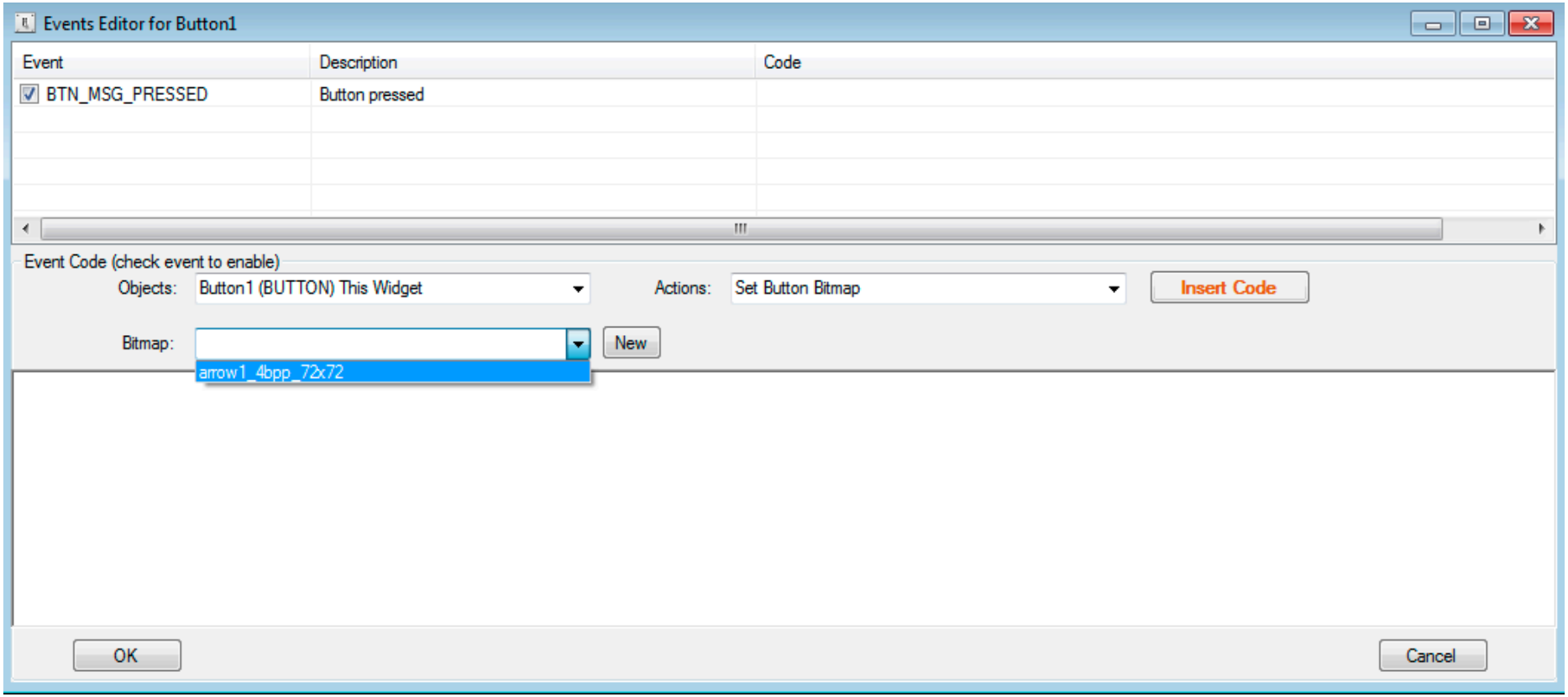

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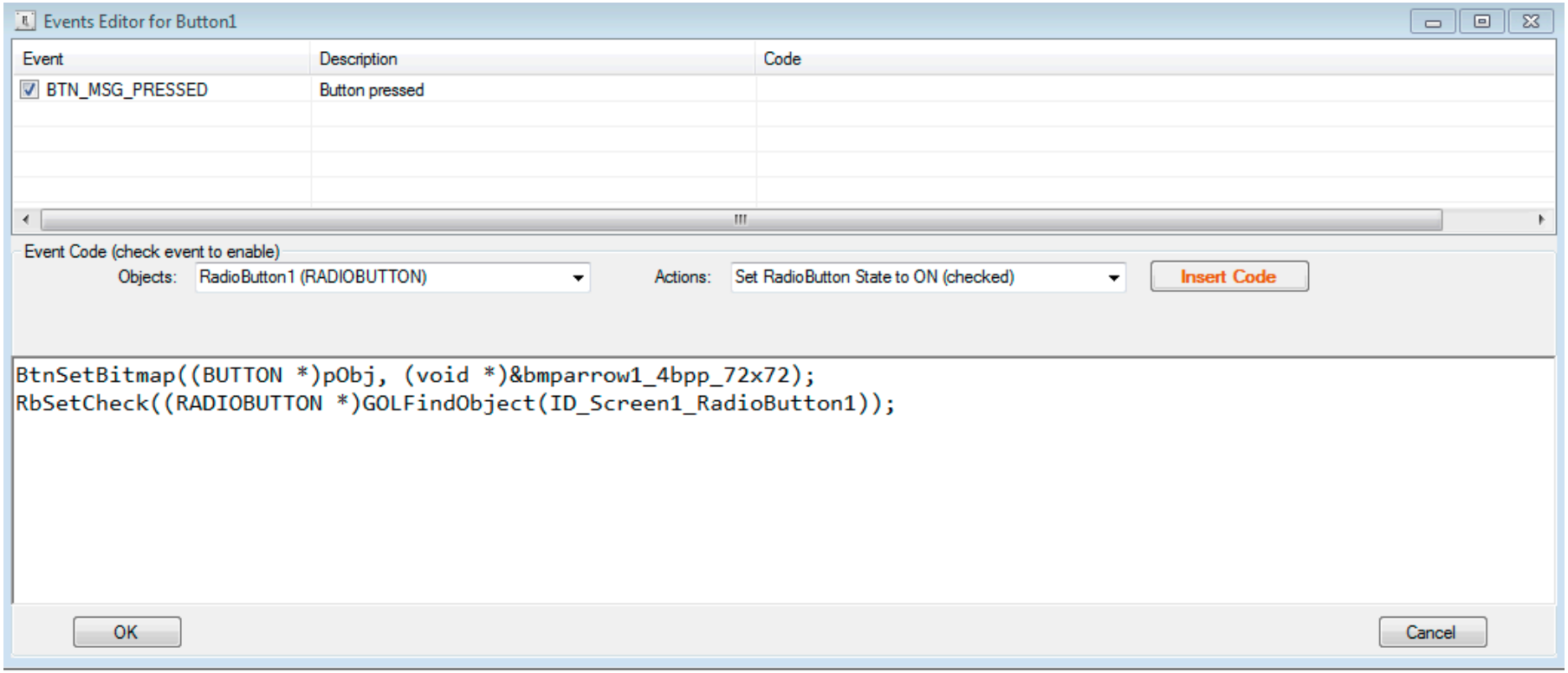

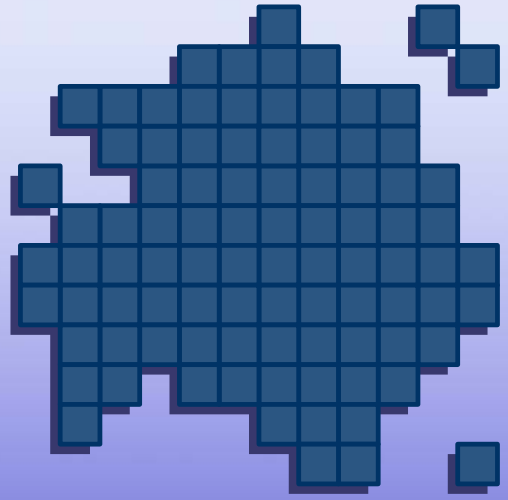

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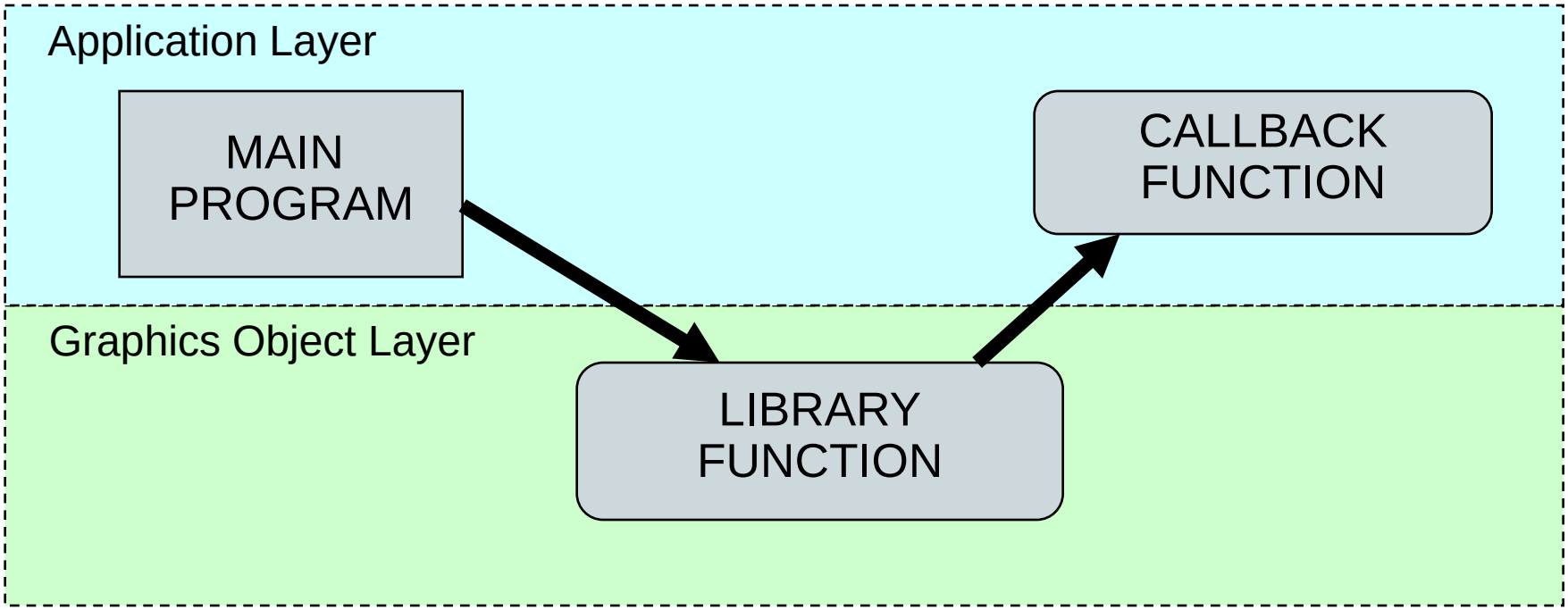
Customizing widget events

`GOLMsgCallback()`

# What is a Callback?

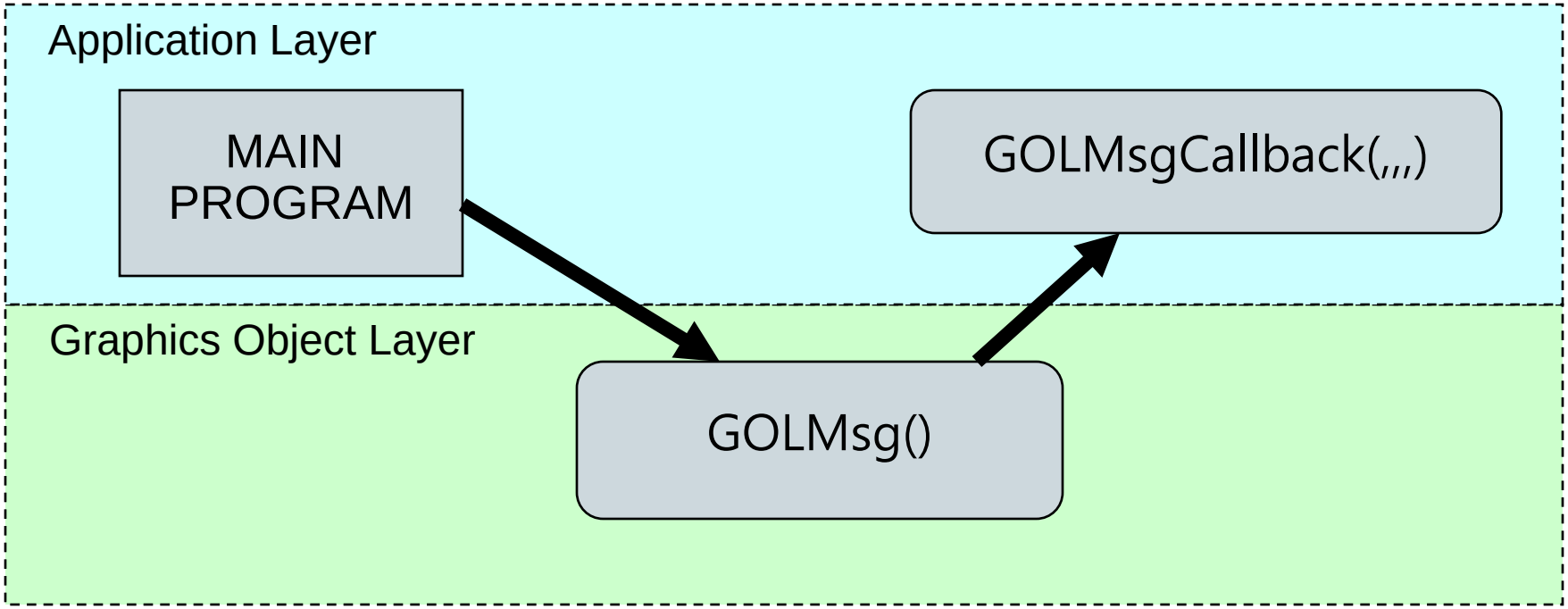
**Definition:**

A callback function allows a lower level software layer to call a subroutine defined in a higher layer.



# GOLMsgCallback(,,,)

- Called by `GOLMsg(&msg)`
- Only called if valid message is received



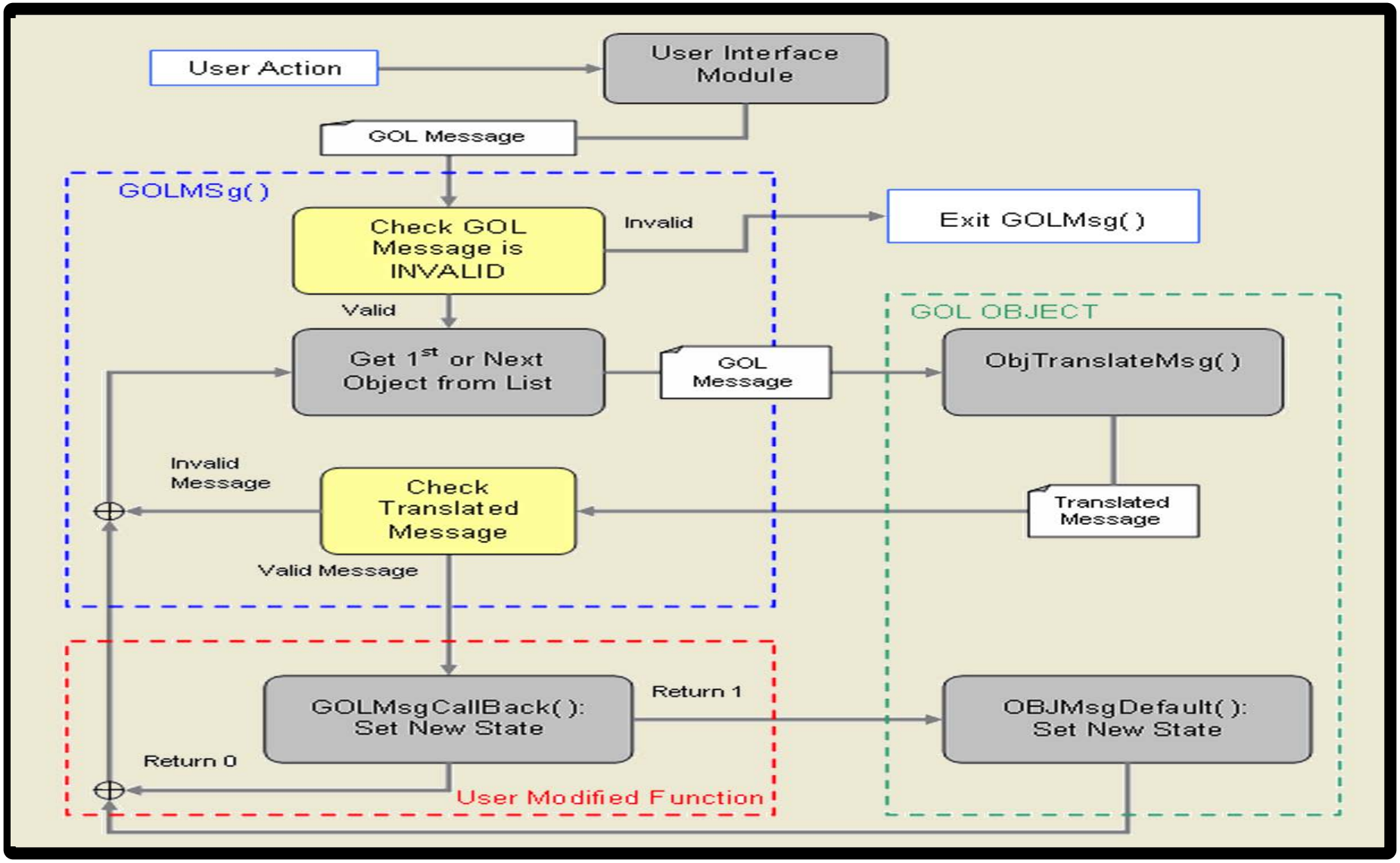
# Interfacing the User Application Requirements Part 1

- **Provide callback functions (REQUIRED)**
  - **`GOLMsgCallback(,,,)`**
    - Called by **`GOLMsg()`** only if valid message received
    - Customize response to message event
      - **Example: Change button image on `EVENT_PRESS`**
      - **Example: Increase volume on `EVENT_STILLPRESS`**
      - **Example: Change screen state on `EVENT_PRESS`**
  - **`GOLDrawCallback()`**
    - Called by **`GOLDraw()`** when drawing is complete
    - Not dependent on message events
    - Customized drawing
      - **ONLY safe place to modify drawing properties**
      - **Example: Modify bars to form a signal strength meter**
    - Customized system response
      - **Example: Read a sensor and change a string**
      - **Example: Update a progress bar**

# GOLMsgCallback(,,,)

- Called by `GOLMsg(&msg)`
- ***MUST*** be provided in application code
- Perform custom actions:
  - Example: Change bitmap when button pressed
  - Example: Turn on LED when button pressed
- Input parameters:
  - `objMsg`: Translated message for the widget
  - `pObj`: Pointer to the widget
  - `pMsg`: Pointer to message structure
- Output:
  - `TRUE`: To perform default actions too
  - `'0'` : To skip default actions

# GOLMsg( ) Flowchart



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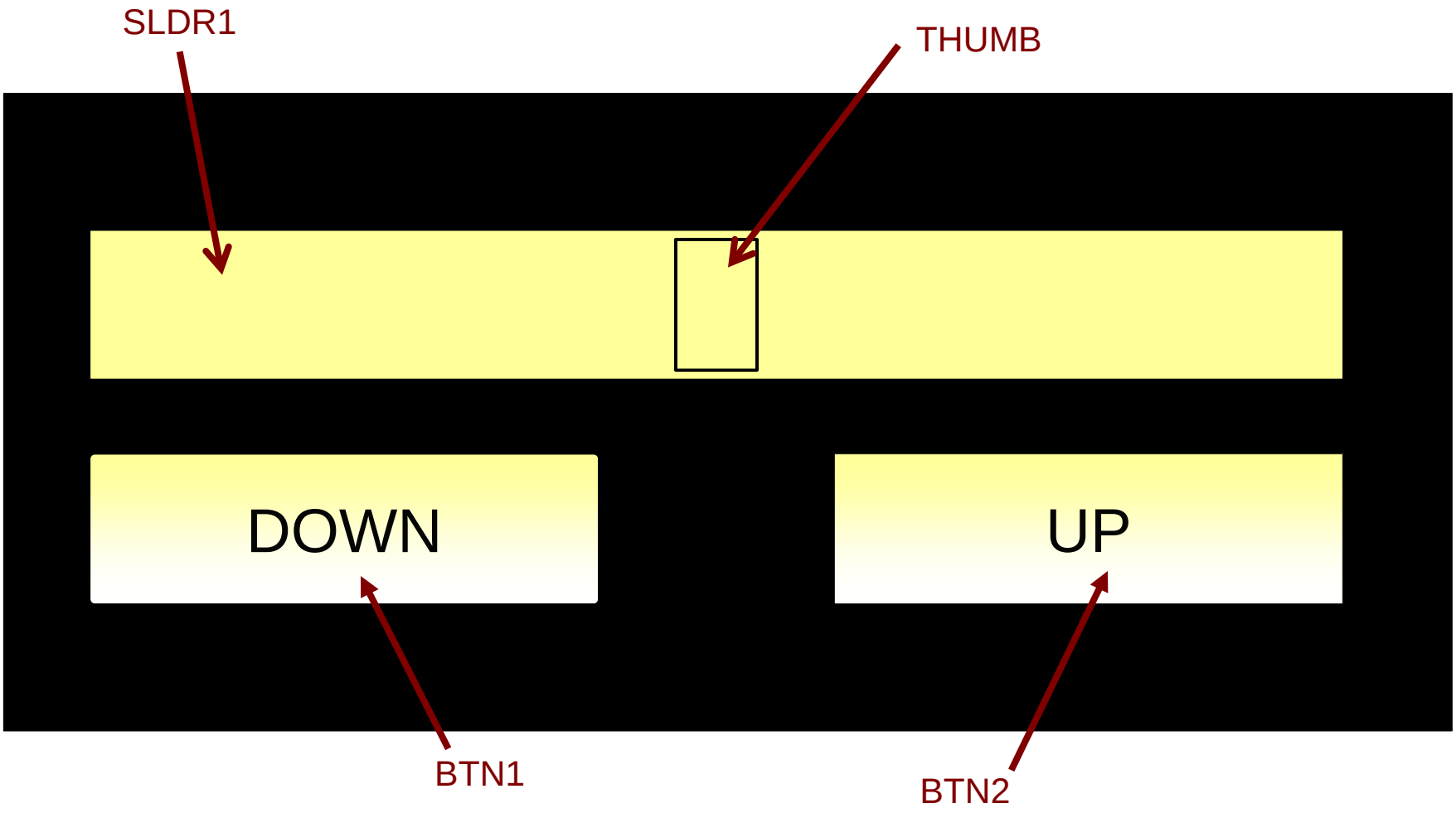

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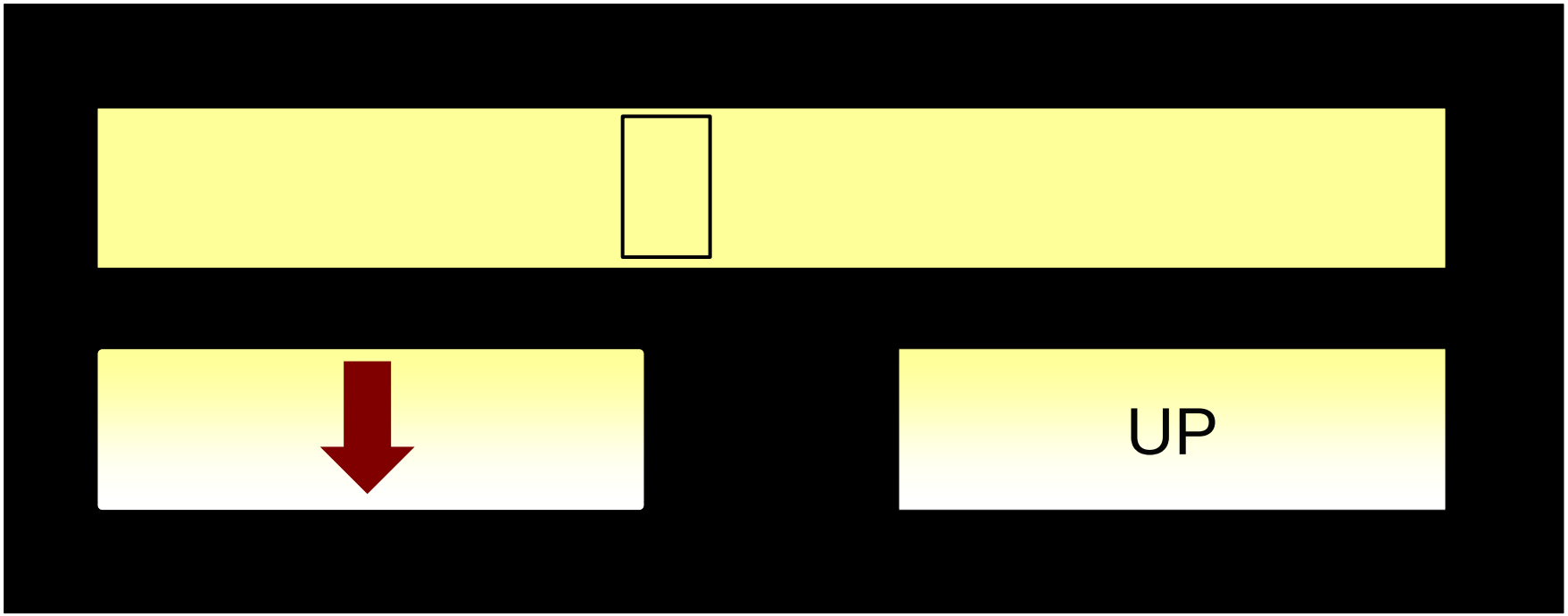
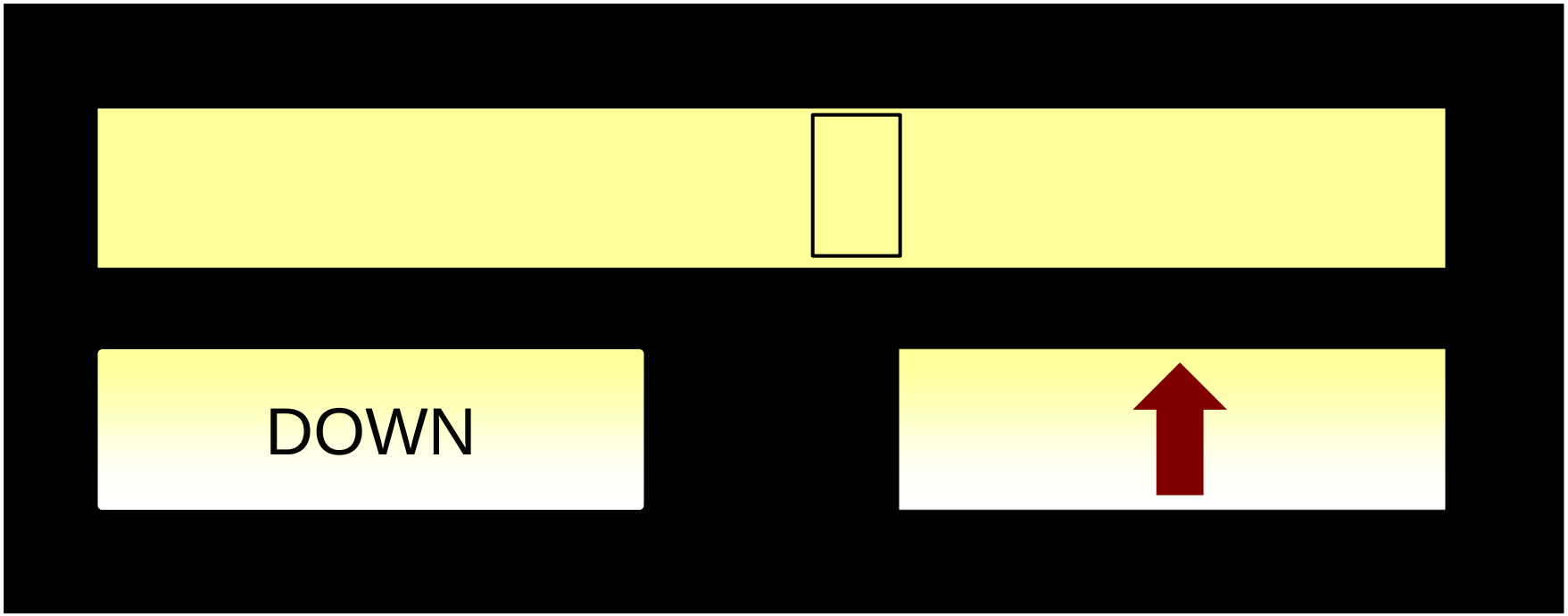


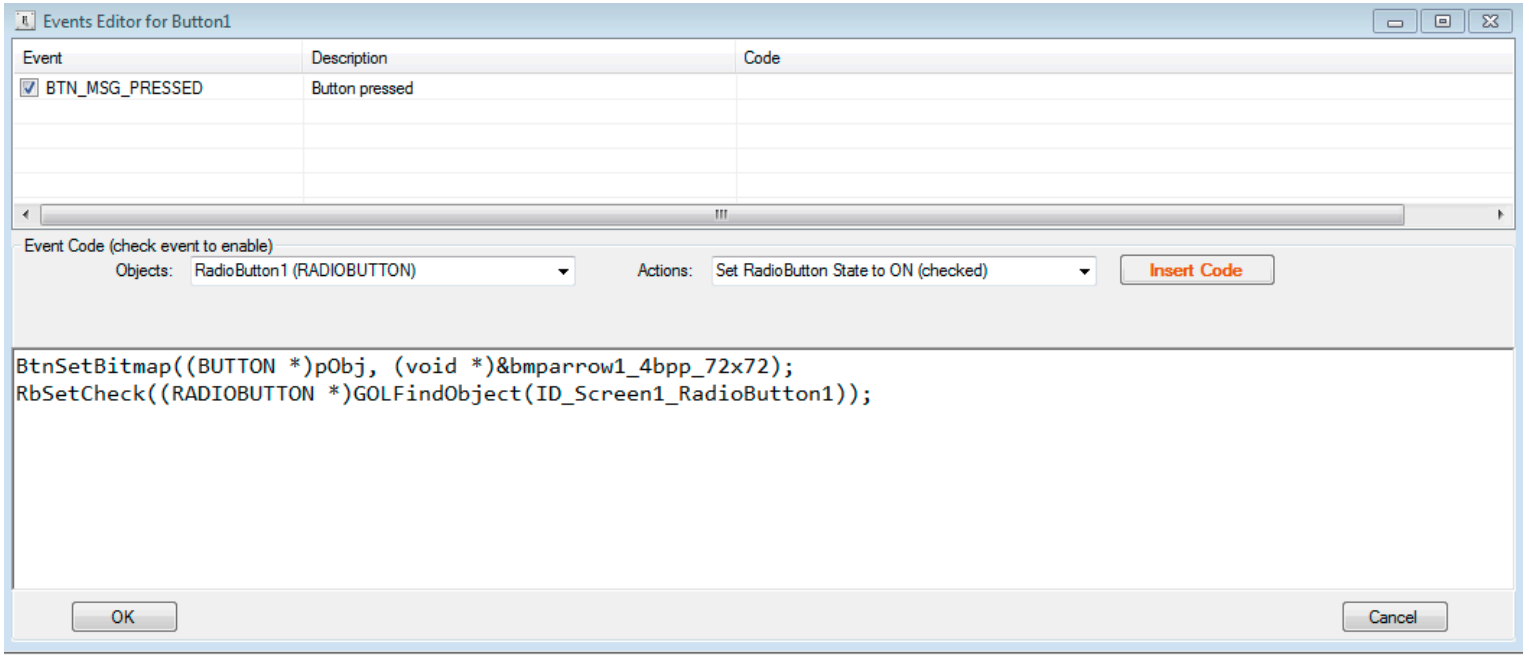

- Widget Actions:
  - Move slider thumb to the left
  - Add down arrow bitmap
- System Action:
  - Decrease motor speed

# GOLMsgCallback(,,,) Example

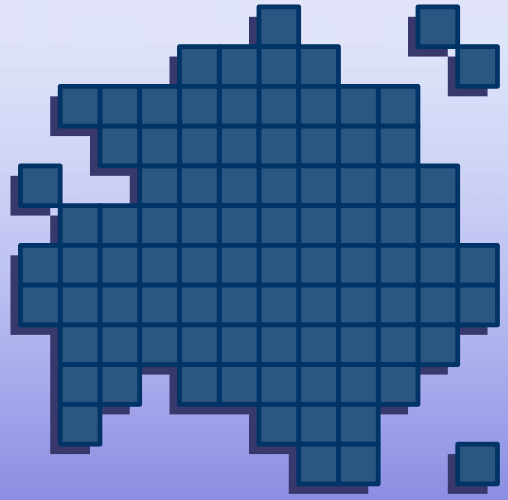



- Widget Actions:
  - Move slider thumb to the right
    - Add up arrow bitmap
  - System Action:
    - Increase motor speed

# VGDD Event Handling




- Using VGDD event handler, code for the callback functions will be generated
- Event handler detects only one event at a time
- DEMO use of VGDD events



# Lab Exercise 3

LED Control Screen

# Lab 3
# Interfacing the User

## Purpose

- In this exercise you will demonstrate your ability to use VGDD to generate code to handle widget events
- Additionally, you will demonstrate your ability to control the system by adding application code to the generated C files

# Lab 3
# Interfacing the User

Objective

- **Manage widget events using VGDD to generate the code**
- **Explore how to use a checkbox to light an LED on the board**
- **Use status texts to inform the user of the current system status**

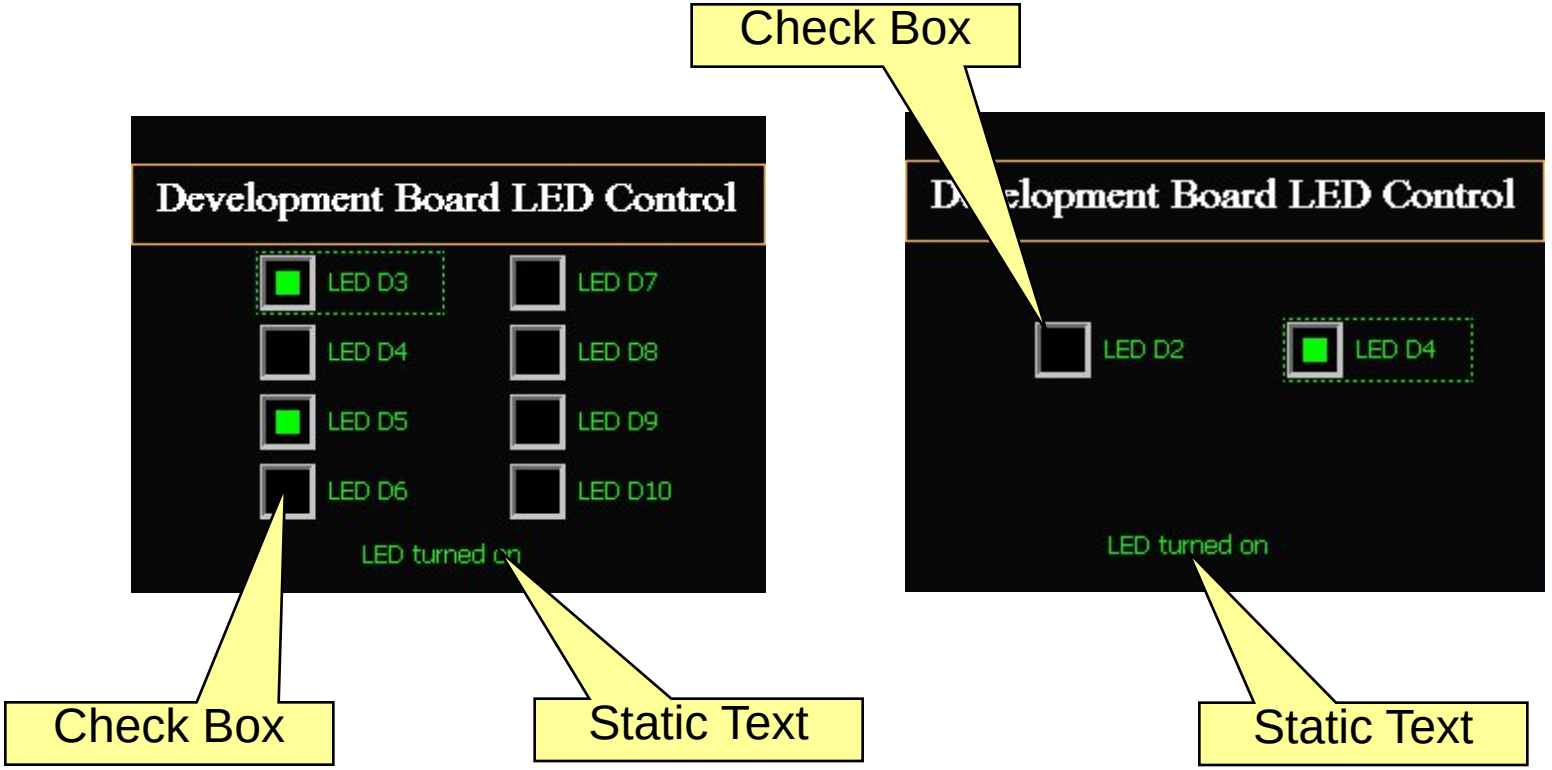
# Lab 3
# Interfacing the User

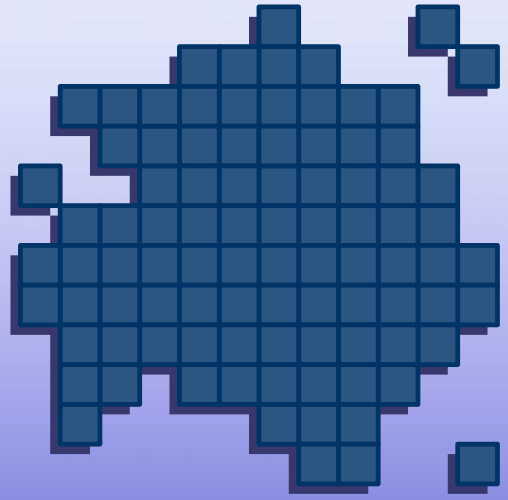
Procedure

- **Follow the instructions in the lab manual starting on page 3-1**

# Lab 3
# Interfacing the User

## Results





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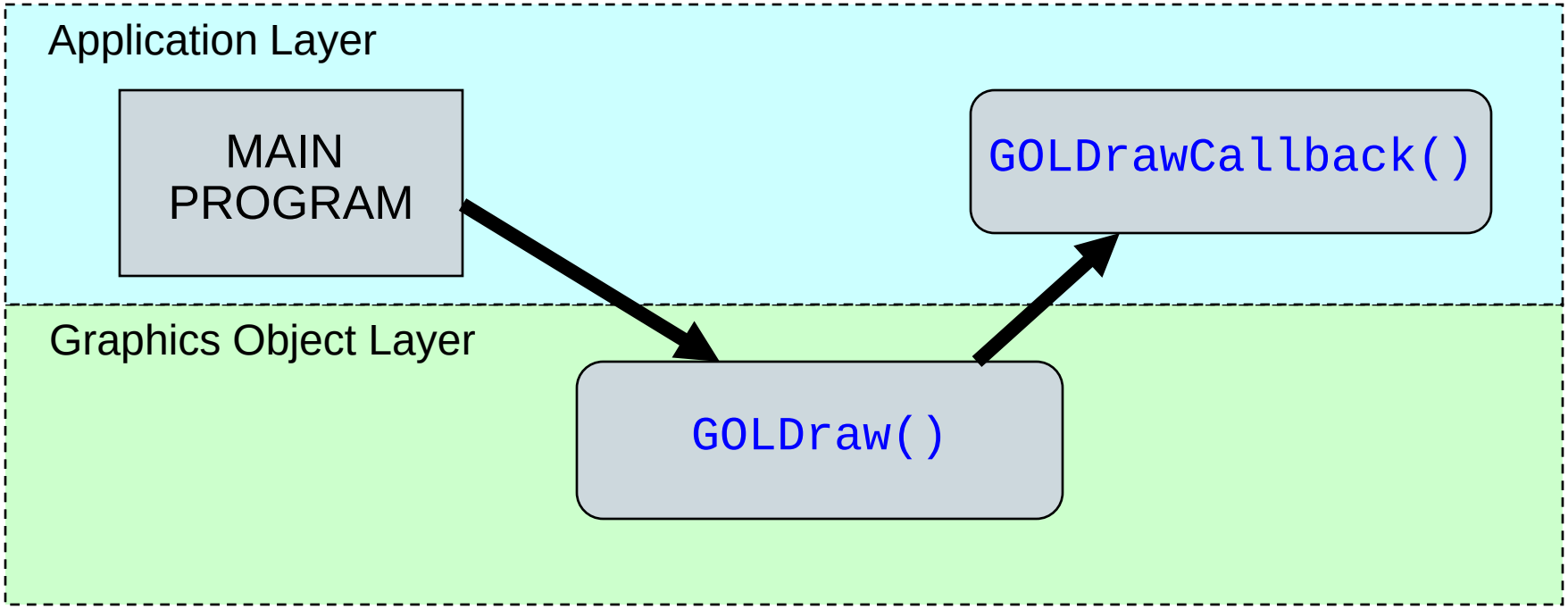
## Customizing the Response

`GOLMsgCallback()`

# Callback Reminder

- Called by `GOLDraw()`
- Used to add system or widget response to user inputs



# Interfacing the User Application Requirements Part 2

- **Provide callback functions (REQUIRED)**
  - **`GOLMsgCallback(,,,)`**
    - Called by GOLMsg() only if a valid event occurs
    - Customize response to message event
      - **Example: Change button image on `EVENT_PRESS`**
      - **Example: Increase volume on `EVENT_STILLPRESS`**
      - **Example: Change screen state on `EVENT_PRESS`**
  - **`GOLDrawCallback()`**
    - Called by **`GOLDraw()`** at end of drawing sequence
    - Not dependent on message events
    - Customized drawing
      - **ONLY safe place to modify drawing properties**
      - **Example: Modify bars to form a signal strength meter**
    - Customized system response
      - **Example: Read a sensor and change a string**
      - **Example: Update a progress bar**
    - Create new screen

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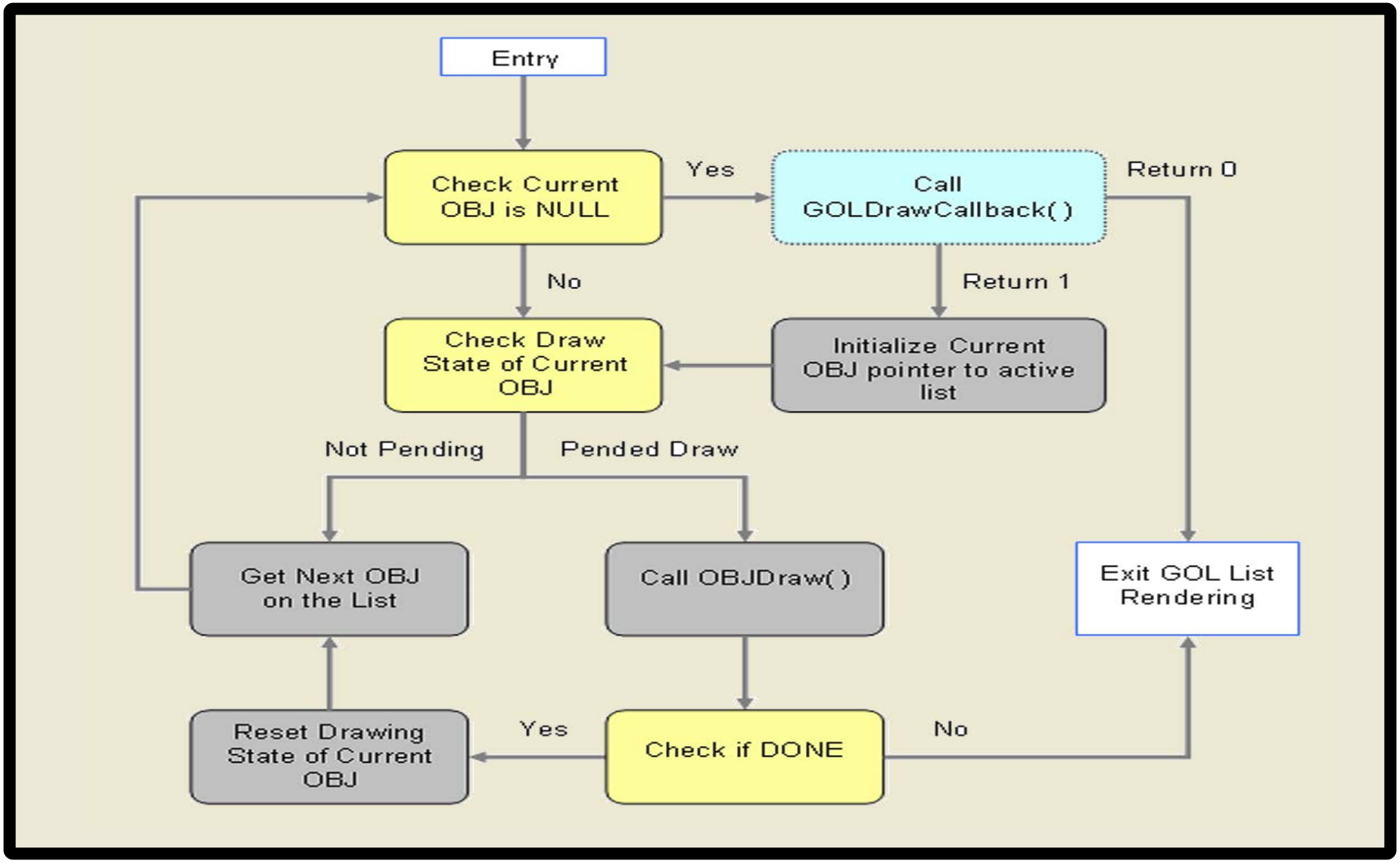
# Customized Drawing
# GOLDrawCallback()

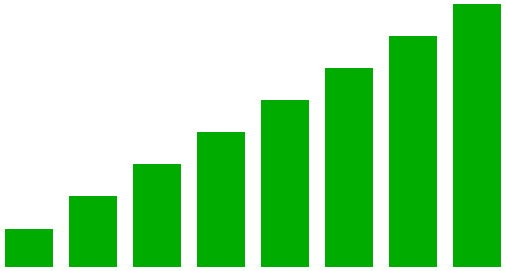
- Called by `GOLDraw()`
  - Drawing sequence is completed
- ***MUST*** be included in application code
  - Return `TRUE` to return control to `GOLDraw()`
  - Return '`0`' to keep drawing control
- Perform customized drawing
  - Example: Signal strength indicator
- Monitor and control for continuous events
  - Example: Read from a sensor and update screen
  - Example: Display a countdown timer
- Safest place to modify the linked list

# Flowchart for GOLDraw( )



# GOLDrawCallback()

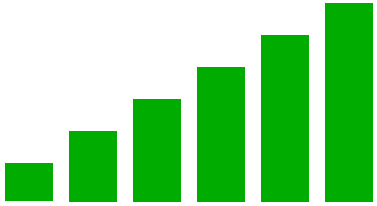
## Example: Battery Life Meter



Battery 100%



Battery 50%



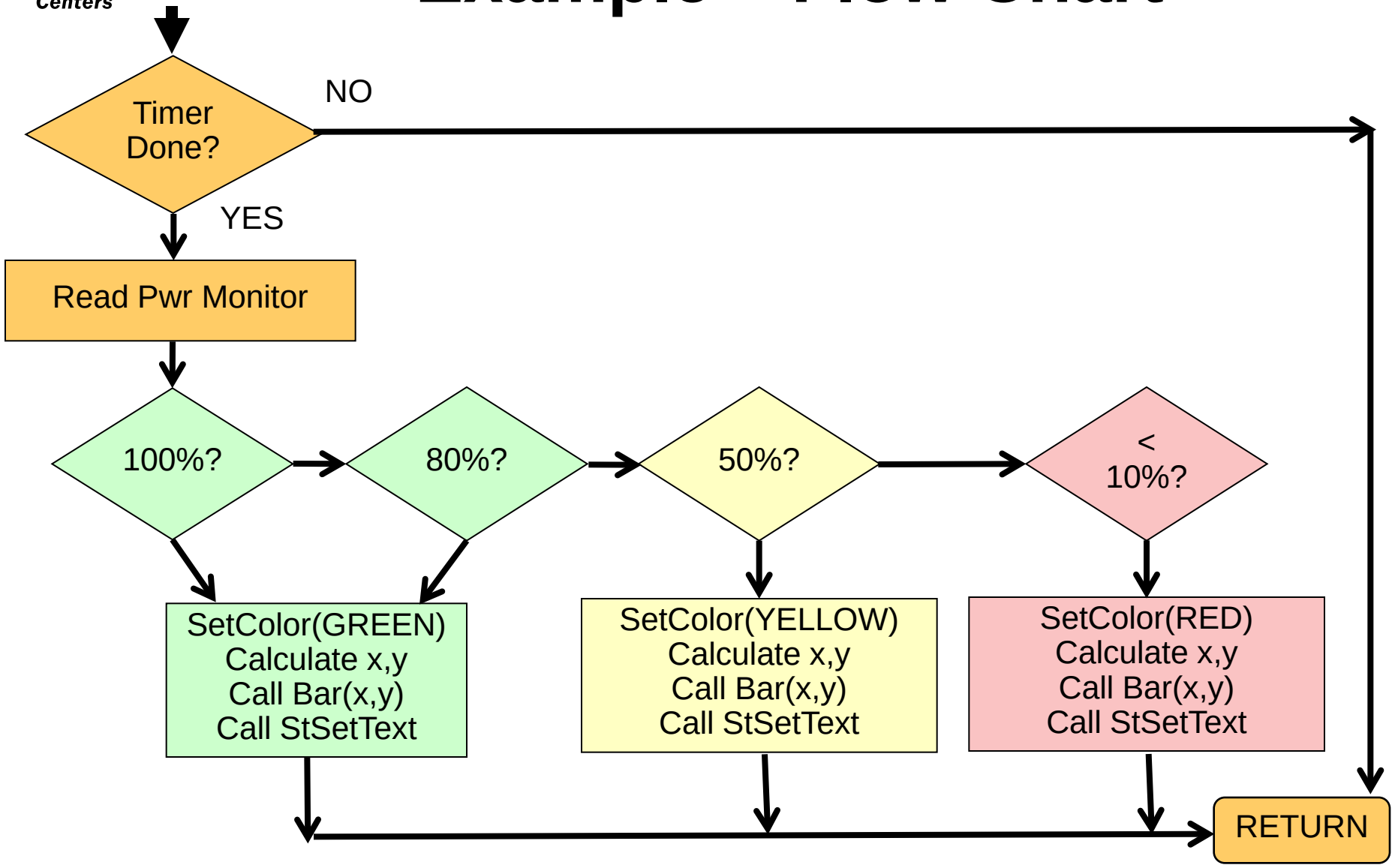
Battery 80%

Battery Critical

- Read from power monitor circuit and update display accordingly

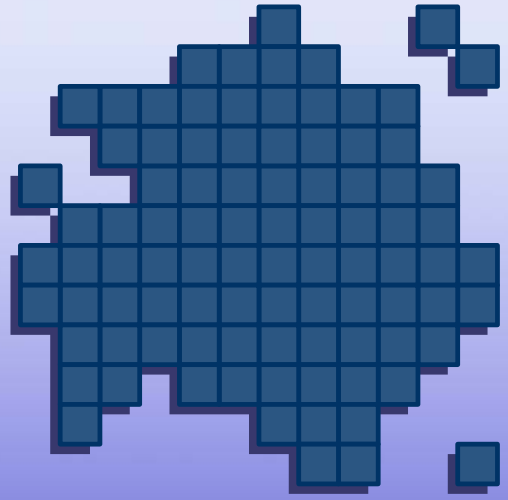
# GOLDrawCallback()

## Example – Flow Chart



# Tips
# GOLDrawCallback()

- To erase a bar
  - Set the drawing color to the background color
  - Call `Bar()` function with area for one or more bars
    - NOTE: `Bar()` returns true when drawing is complete
- To add a bar
  - Set the drawing color to desired color
  - Call `Bar()` with bar coordinates
- No pointers are passed into `GOLDrawCallback()`
  - Use `GOLFindObject()` to get the address of widget
- Application must set drawing bits for widgets that need to be redrawn
  - When updating widgets, make sure value changed before setting draw bit

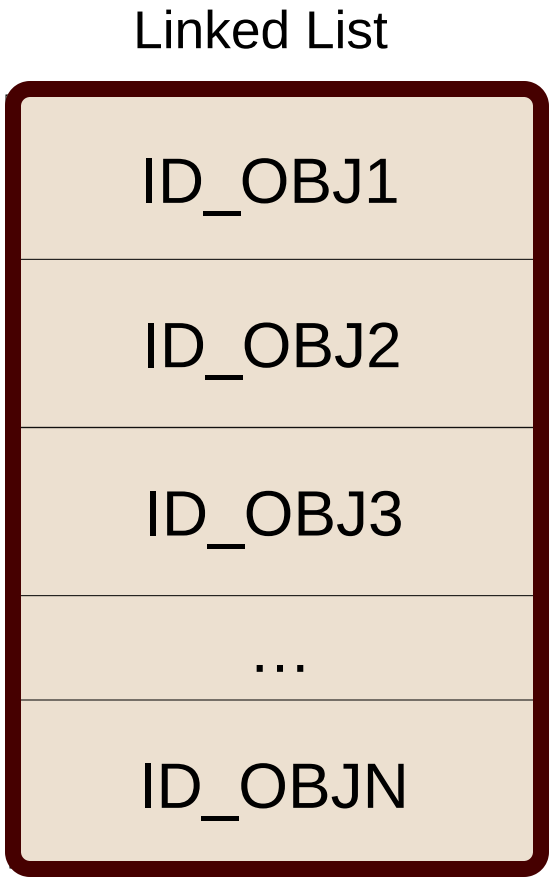


# Microchip Graphics Library

Putting it all together

Screen Management

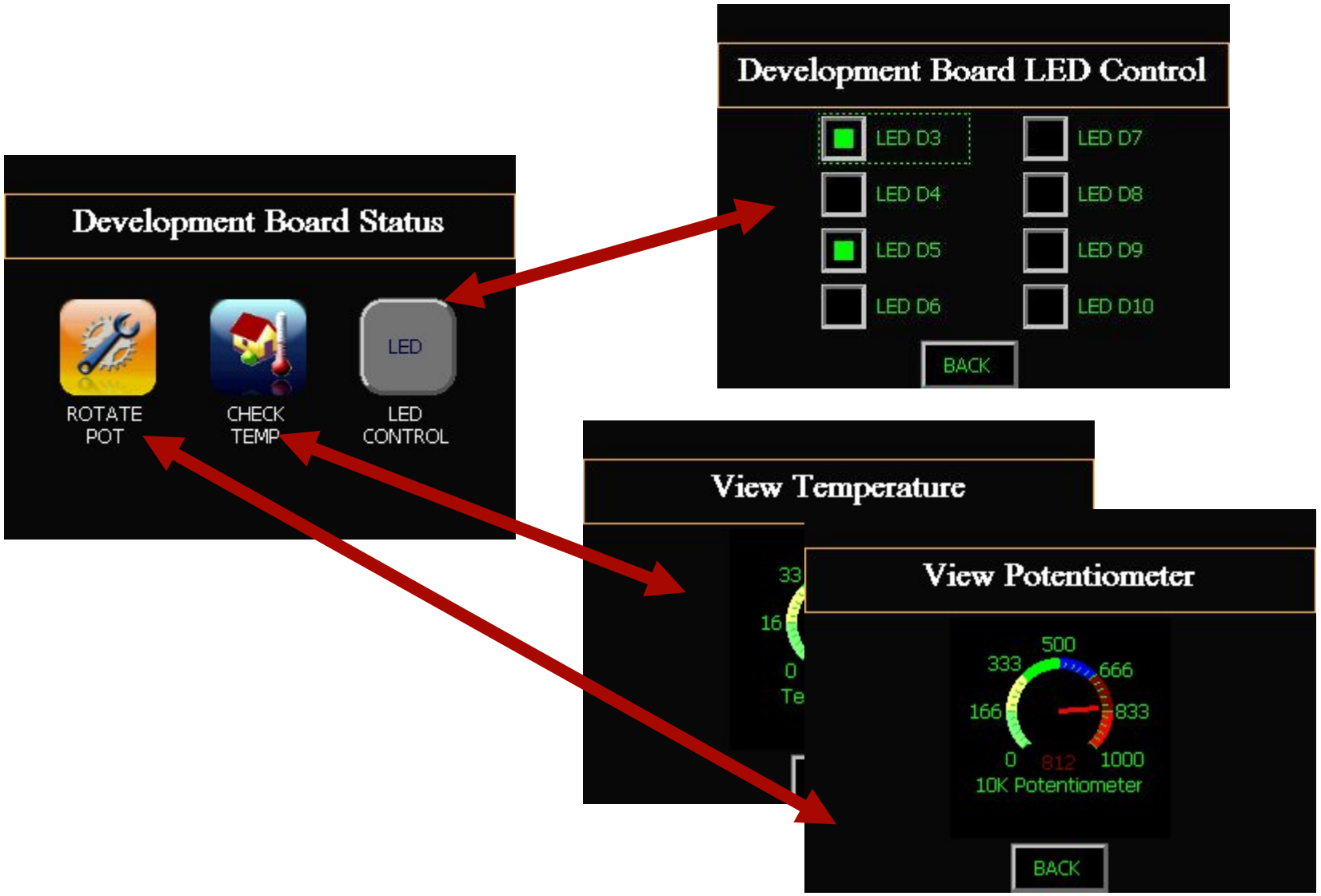
# Creating Widgets




## Recall…

- `ObjCreate(,,,)`
  - Populates a structure for the widget
  - Adds widget to bottom of the linked list
- `GOLDraw()`
  - Parses ***ACTIVE*** linked list
  - Redraws based on state bit settings

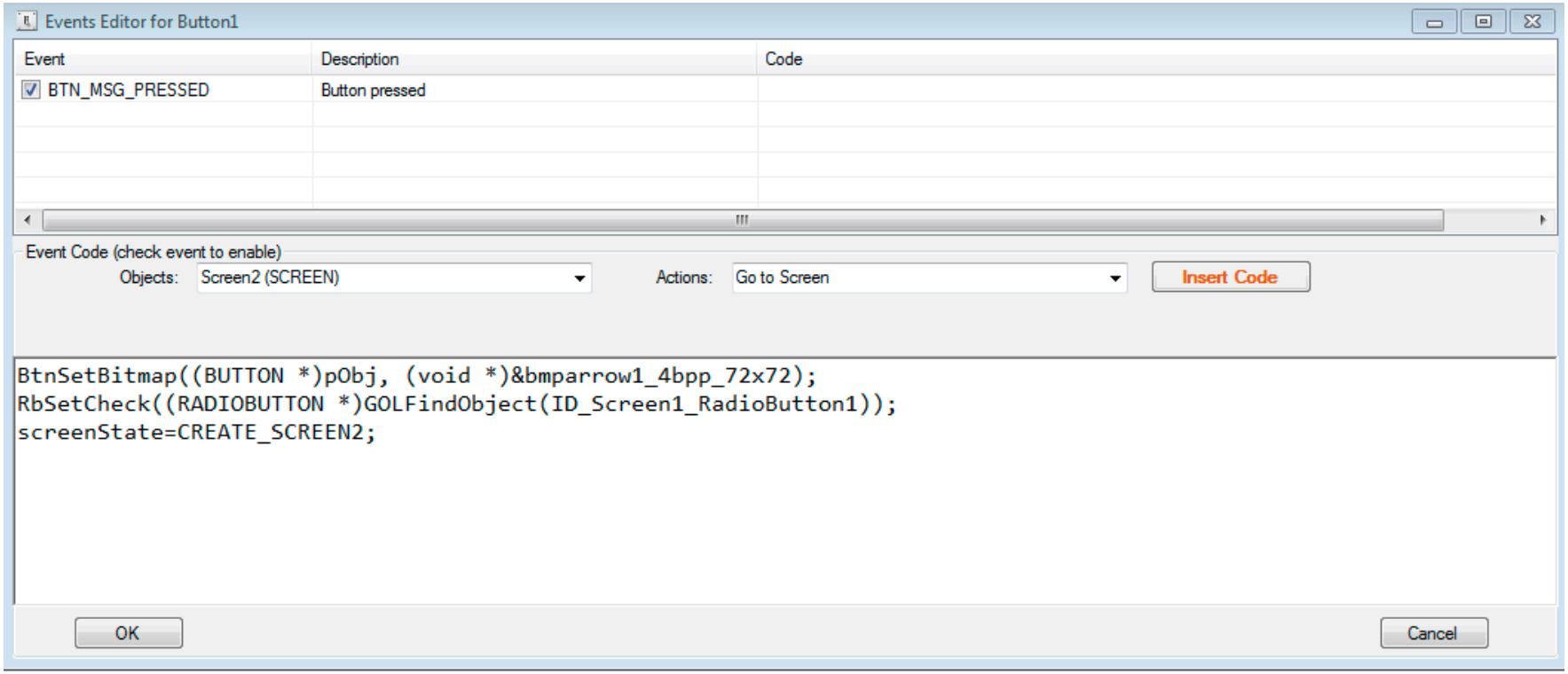
# GUI Applications



# Screen Management Options
## Using Multiple Lists

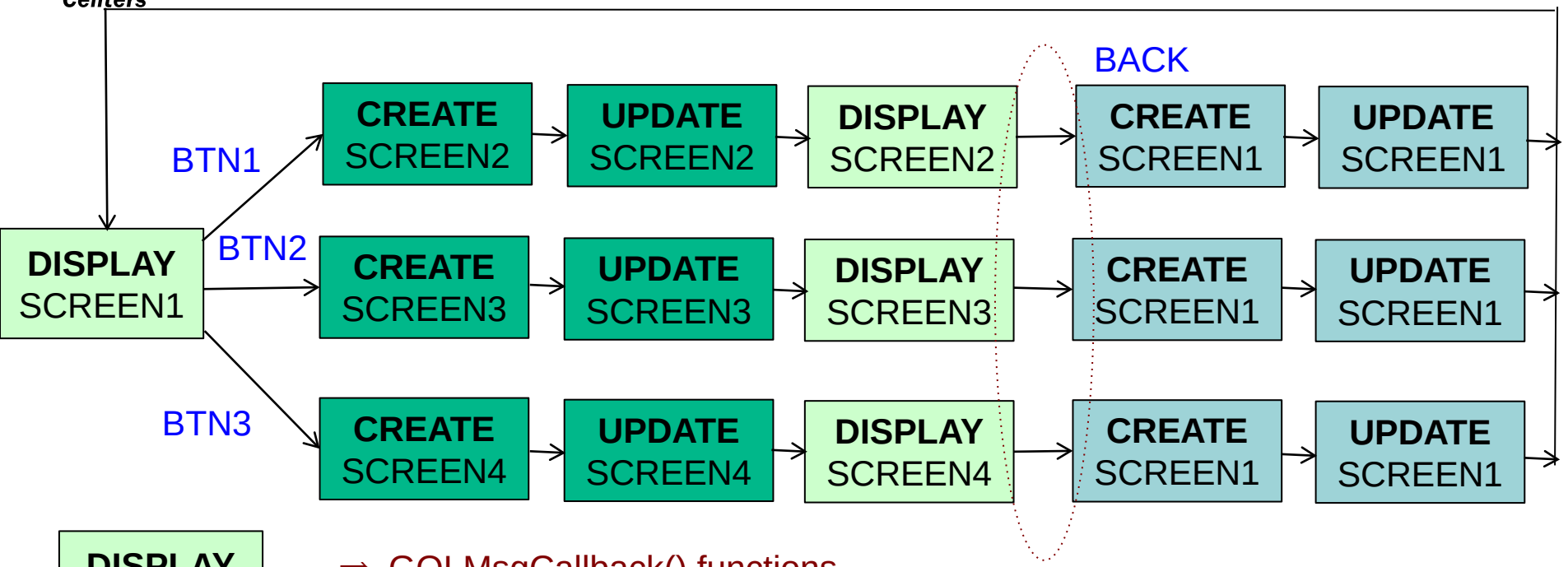
- Create Lists on the Fly
- Used by VGDD
  - Use `GOLFree()` to delete active list
    - Frees heap library uses
    - Does not affect application heap
  - Use `ObjCreate(,,,)` to form new list
  - Minimize heap requirements
- APIs in library to manage screens with multiple lists

# VGDD Event Handling




- Implements screen state machine
- Screen state changed in `GOLMsgCallback()`
- `GOLFree()` and `CreateScreen()` in `GOLDrawCallback()`

# VGDD Screen States




**DISPLAY** SCREENx

⇒ GOLMsgCallback() functions
⇒ User event to change screens

**CREATE** SCREENx

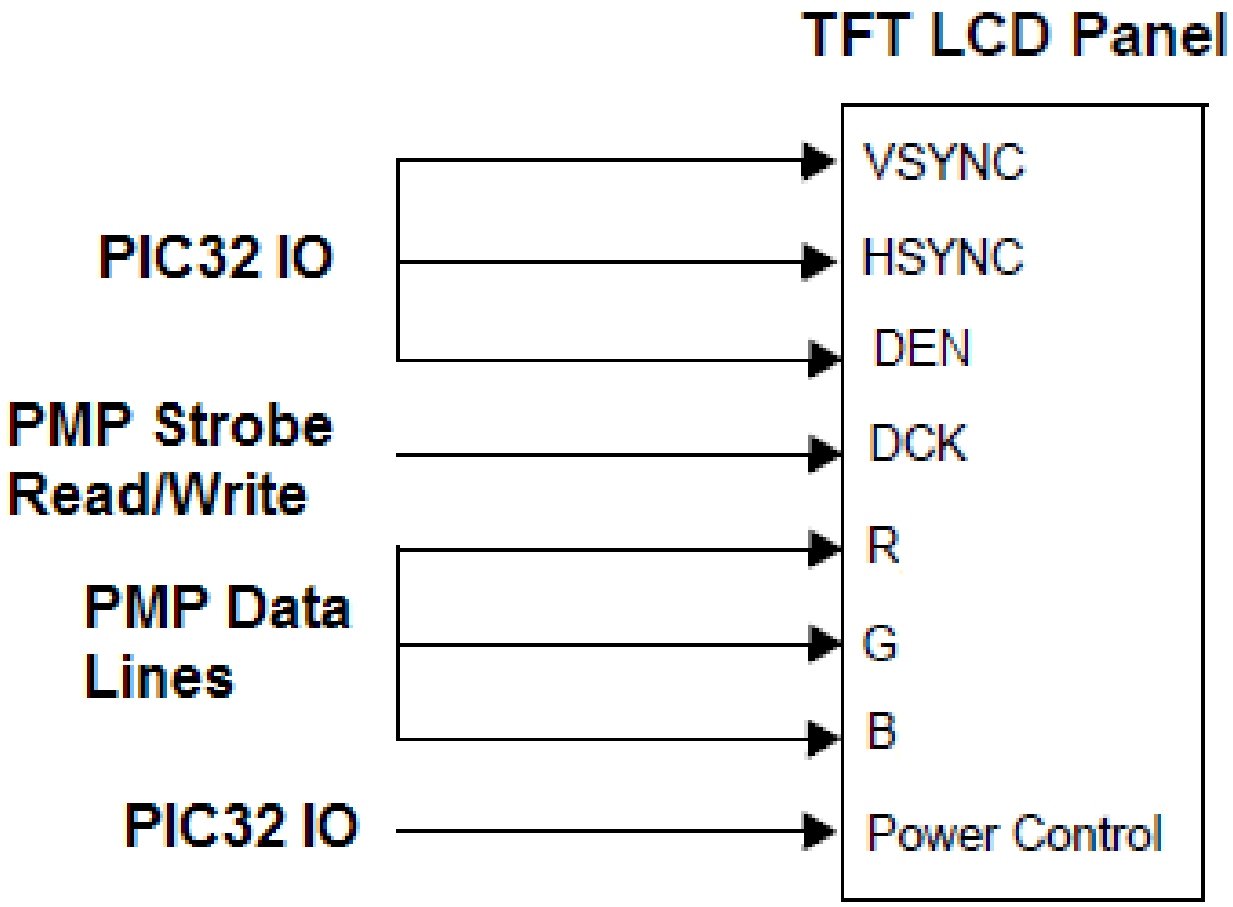
⇒ GOLDrawCallback() functions
⇒ Erase old screen, create new screen

**UPDATE** SCREENx

⇒ GOLDrawCallback() functions
⇒ Primitive drawing

# LCC
# Interfacing to TFT LCD Panels

# TFT LCD Panel: LCC Diagram



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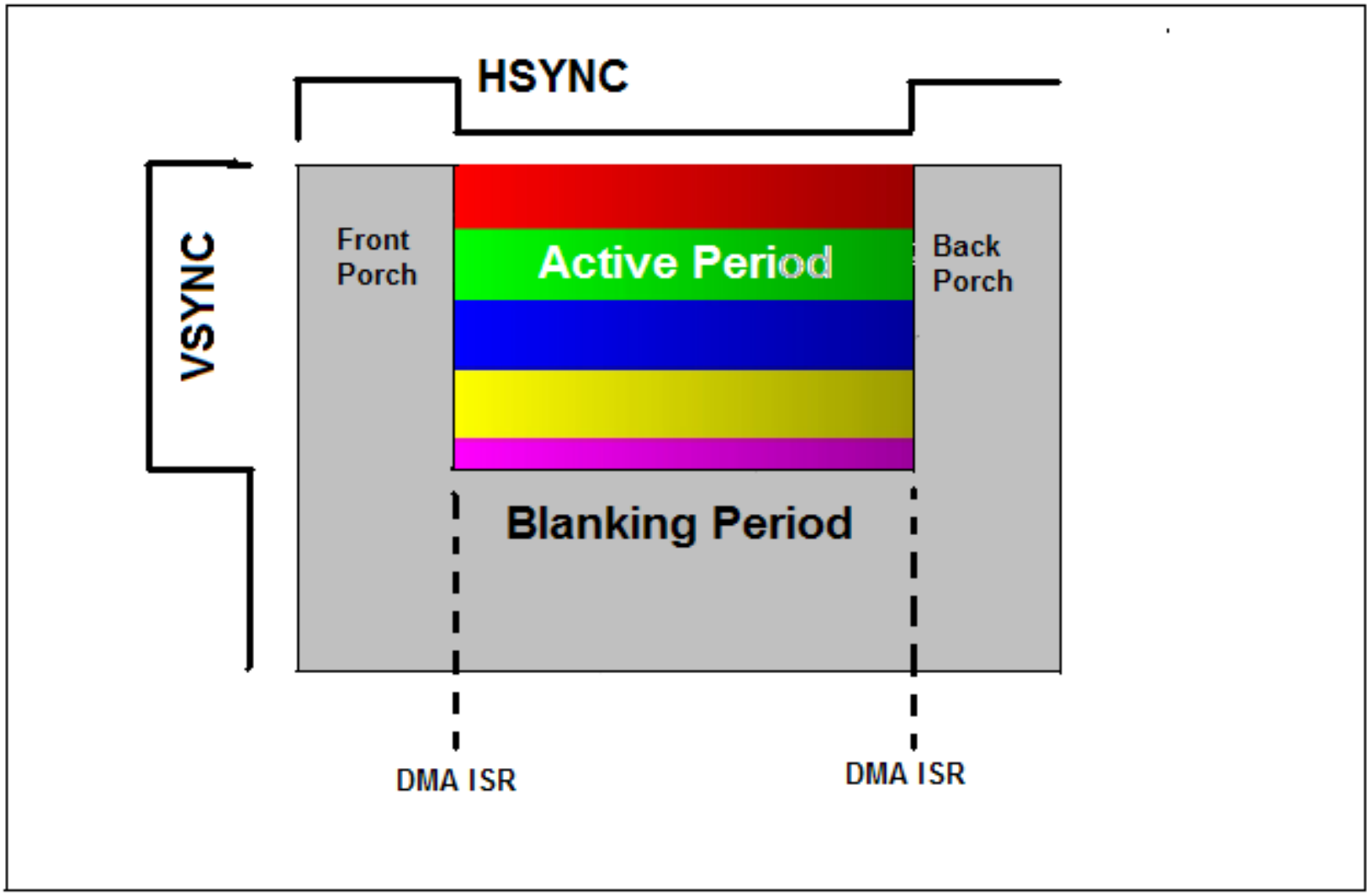
# TFT LCD RGB Data Basics

- Raw color data sent to screen
- Different RGB Color formats
  - 332, 565, 666, 888
- Unused color tied to MSBs

# LCD Timing Basics

- Cycle (Display Period)
  - Active Period + Blanking Period
- Active Period
  - This period displays the actual image
- Blanking Period
  - Sync
    - Used for synchronizing the display to graphics controller
  - Front Porch
    - Time between the end of the active time and the start of the sync pulse
  - Back Porch
    - Time between the end of a sync and the next active time

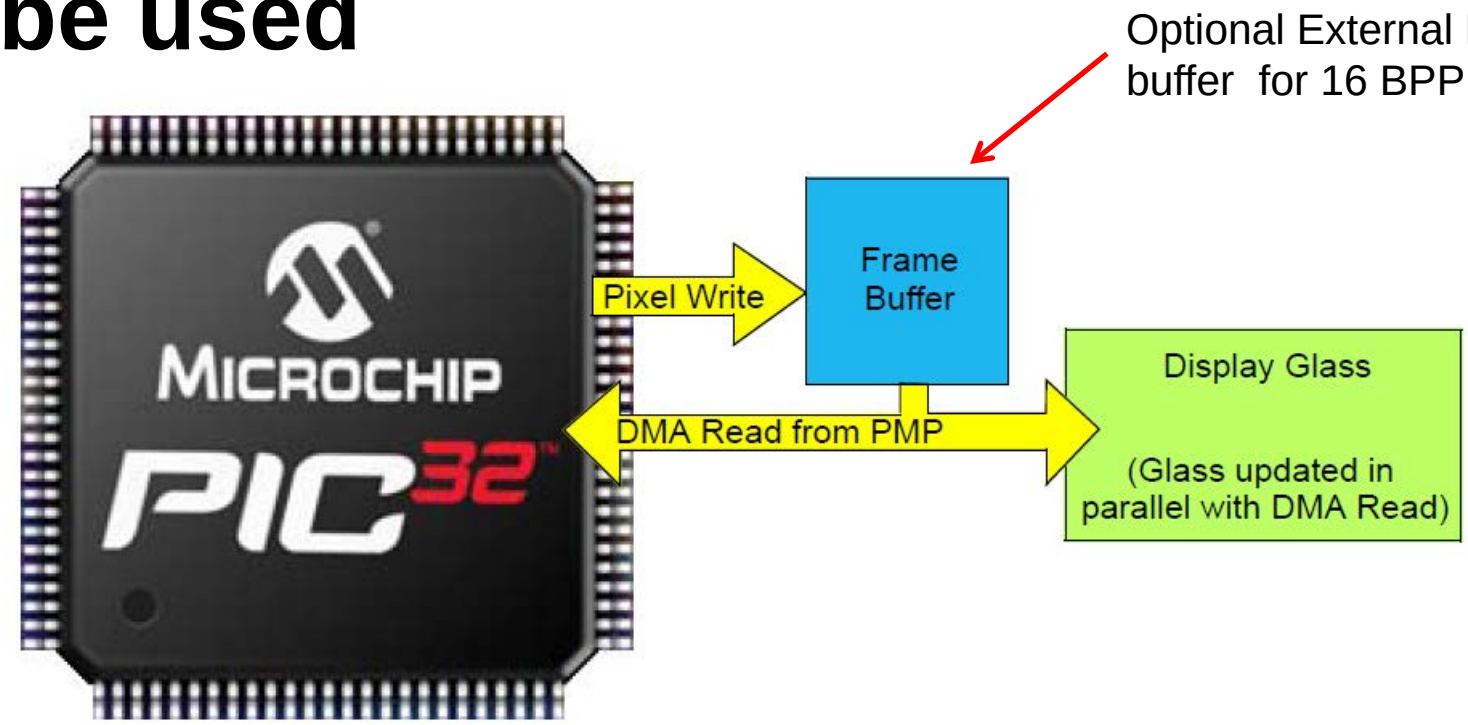
# LCD Timing



# PIC32 Peripherals Used for Graphics

# Controllerless Solution: Diagram

- DMA is used to control LCD
- Most PIC32 with DMA and PMP can be used



# Controllerless Solution: DMA Usage

- Continuously reads/writes frame buffer data.
- DMA Transfer Interrupt (ISR) updates timing signals

# Controllerless Solution: PMP Usage

- **Read/Write Strobe acts as *Pixel Clock*.**
- **Data from DMA transmitted through PMP.**
- **Keeps system synchronized**

# Controllerless Tasks

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# Controllerless Tasks: Frame Buffer

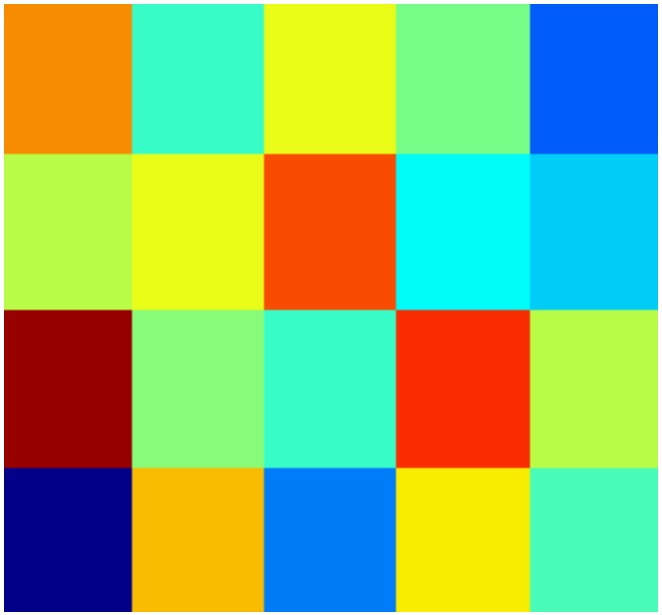
- Frame containing the screen image must be stored somewhere
  - Internal – PIC32 SRAM
  - External – PSRAM on board
- DMA must read/write from this buffer

# Controllerless Tasks: Frame Rendering

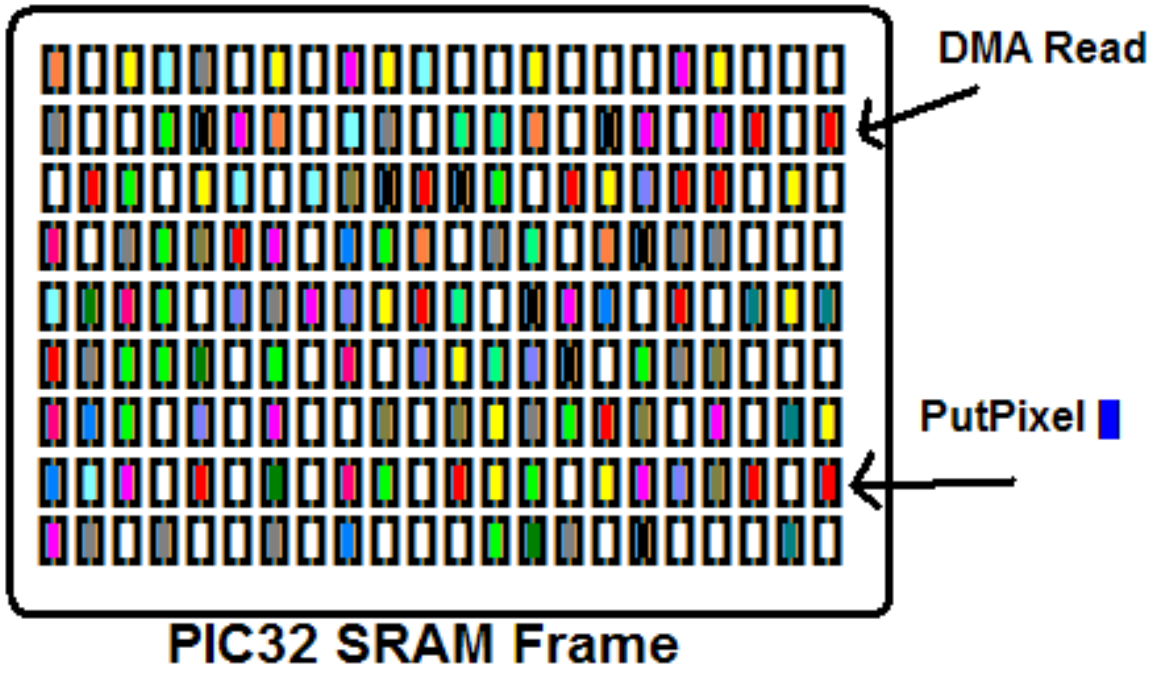
- Usually refresh rates of 50-60 hz needed.
- Support of various resolutions

# Controllerless Tasks: Update Pixels

- Helps to create dynamic interfaces
- Throughput varies depending on resolution
- PutPixel functionality

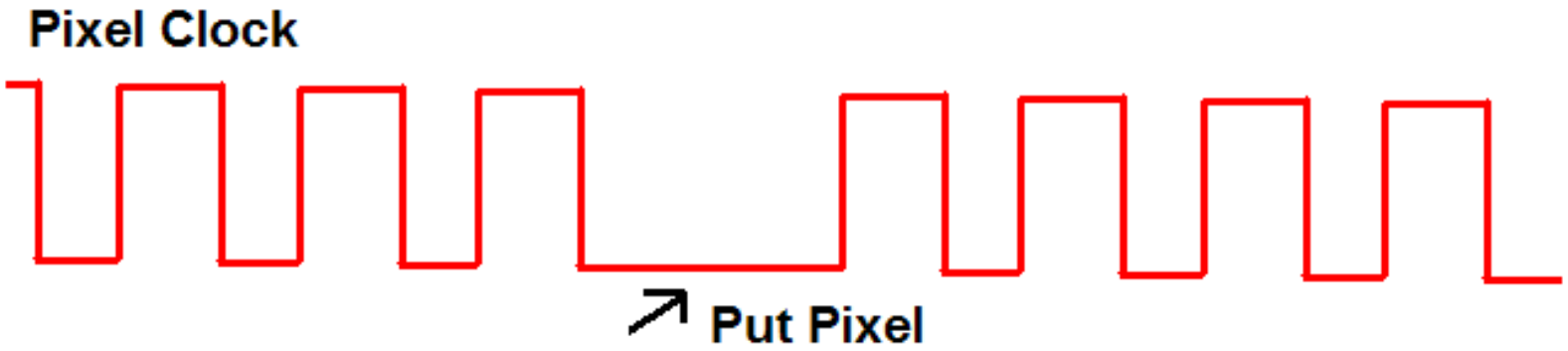


# PutPixel: Internal




- The DMA shares the internal SRAM.
- Pixels are updated in conjunction with DMA. Pixel Updates wait for DMA read.

# PutPixel: External

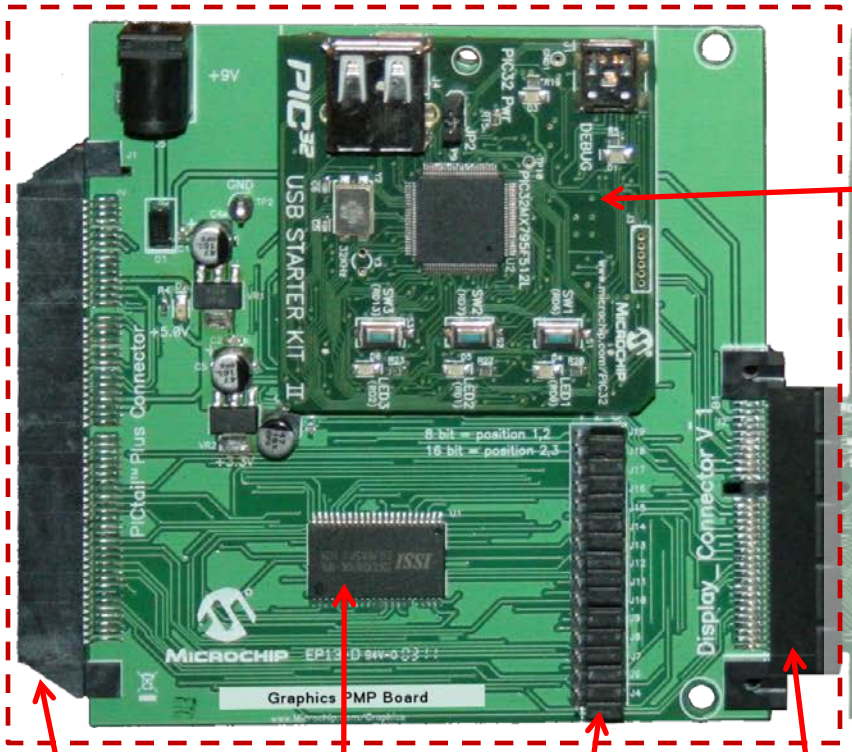


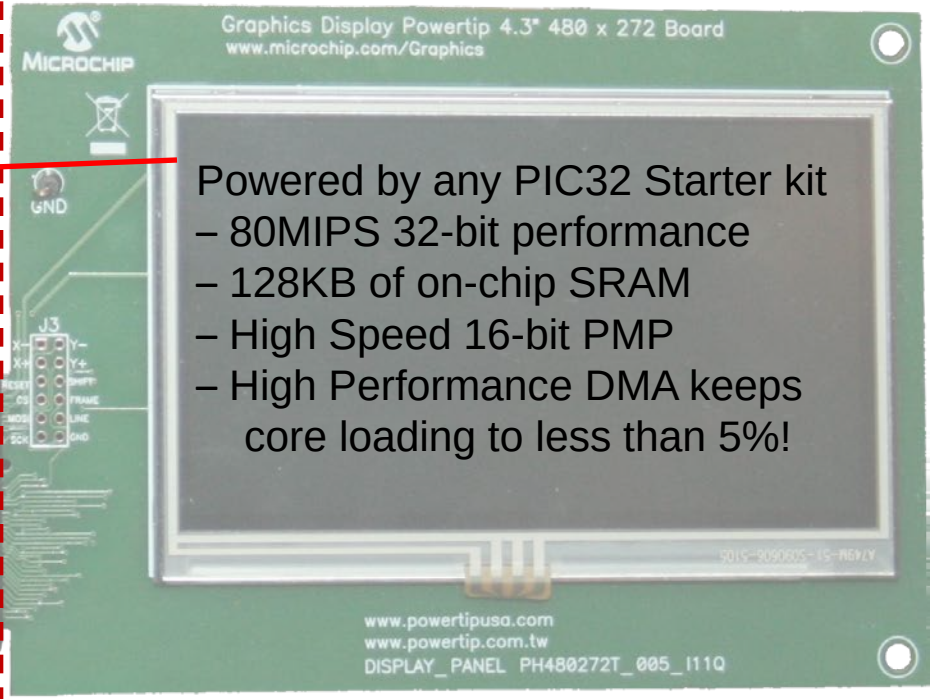

- There is only one PMP.
- DMA (Pixel Clock) suspended during pixel updates.
- Controlled to stabilize screen refresh

# Lab 4 – LCC and Primitive Layer Demo

# LCC (Low-Cost Controllerless) Graphics Board

## Driving Graphics Displays without a Graphics Controller




Powered by any PIC32 Starter kit
- 80MIPS 32-bit performance
- 128KB of on-chip SRAM
- High Speed 16-bit PMP
- High Performance DMA keeps core loading to less than 5%!

On Board 512KB SRAM
Can be "jumpered" in or out

Interfaces to Microchip Explorer 16

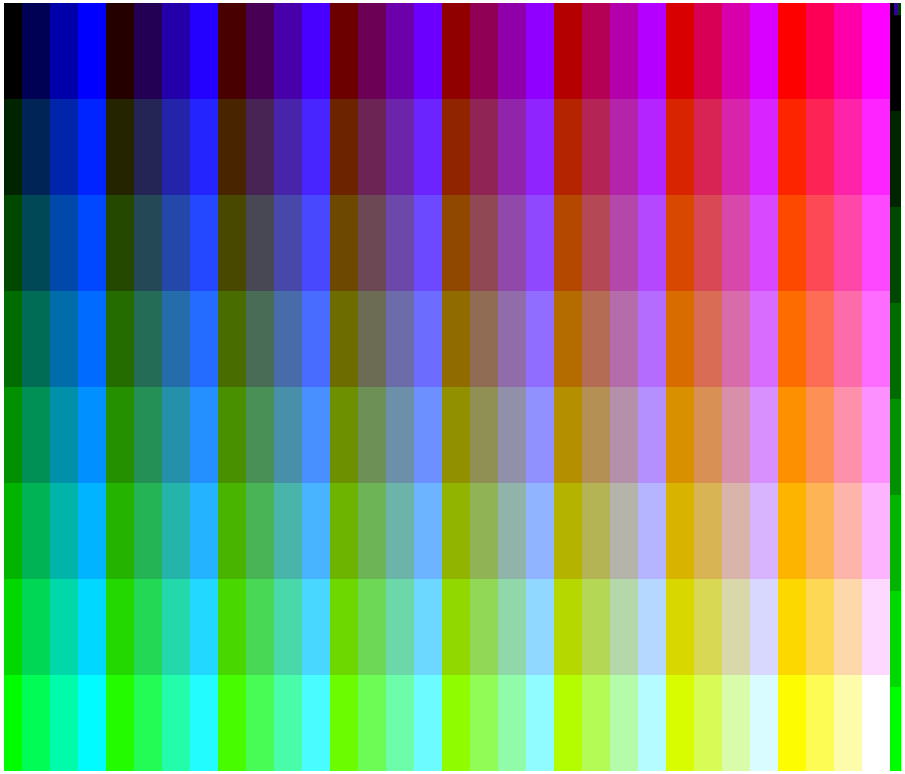
- Support for up to WQVGA @ 16bpp color
- PIC32 alone can drive QVGA @ 8bpp color

Interfaces to Microchip Display modules

PN: AC164144

# LCC Graphics PICtail™: Internal Frame Buffer

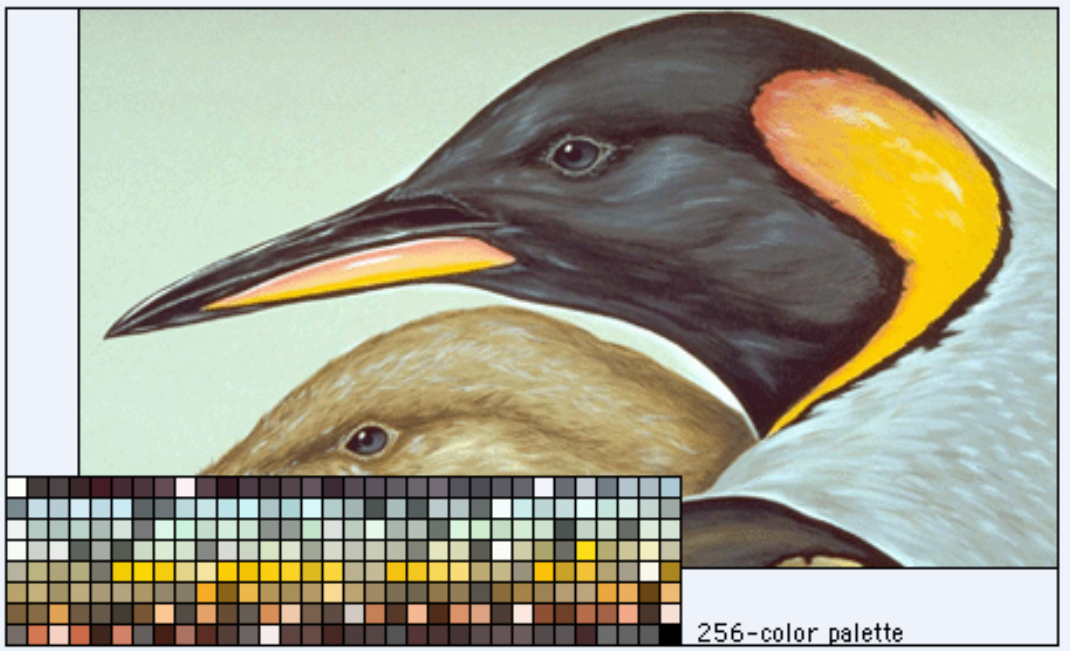
- Supports 8bpp color on QVGA
- No external SRAM
- PIC32 SRAM used for frame buffer
- Color Look-up Table (CLUT)



256 colors available with 8bpp

# LCC Graphics PICtail™: Color Look-up Table

- Applications have themed colors
- CLUT can be used for 16 BPP graphics.
- Color Palette stores color information



# LCC Graphics PICtail™ External Frame Buffer

- Supports 16bpp color on QVGA
- External SRAM on LCC Graphics PICtail™ for frame buffer
- 13MHz pixel clock achieved

16bpp makes many colors available

# Hands-on Lab 4

# Initializing the PIC

```
#define PMP_CONTROL (PMP_ON | PMP_MUX_OFF | PMP_READ_WRITE_EN|PMP_CS2_EN | PMP_CS2_POL_LO | PMP_WRITE_POL_LO | PCLK_POLARITY)
#define PMP_MODE    (PMP_DATA_LENGTH | PMP_MODE_MASTER2 |PMP_WAIT_BEG_1 | PMP_WAIT_MID_1 | PMP_WAIT_END_1 )

void ResetDevice(void)
{

  // setup the PMP
   mPMPOpen(PMP_CONTROL, PMP_MODE, PMP_ADDRESS_LINES, PMP_INT_ON);
   PMADDR = 0x0000;

  // Open the desired DMA channel
   DmaChnOpen(1, 0, DMA_OPEN_DEFAULT);

  // set the transfer event control: what event is to start the DMA transfer
   DmaChnSetEventControl(1, DMA_EV_START_IRQ(_TIMER_2_IRQ));

  // set the transfer parameters: source & destination address, source & destination size, number of bytes per event
    DmaChnSetTxfer(1, &GraphicsFrame[0], (void*)&PMDIN, HBackPorch, 1, 2);

    INTSetVectorPriority(INT_VECTOR_DMA(1), INT_PRIORITY_LEVEL_7);          // set INT controller priority
    INTSetVectorSubPriority(INT_VECTOR_DMA(1), INT_SUB_PRIORITY_LEVEL_3);   // set INT controller sub-priority

    DmaChnSetEvEnableFlags(1, DMA_EV_BLOCK_DONE);   // enable the transfer done interrupt, when all buffer transferred
    INTEnable(INT_SOURCE_DMA(1), INT_ENABLED);      // enable the chn interrupt in the INT controller

    DCH1CONbits.CHPRI = 0b11;  //DMA channel has highest priority

    // once we configured the DMA channel we can enable it
     DmaChnEnable(1);

     OpenTimer2(T2_ON | T2_SOURCE_INT | T2_PS_1_1, 27);          //Start Timer
}
```

# DMA ISR

```
void __ISR(_DMA1_VECTOR, ipl7) DmaHandler1(void)
{
    static BYTE GraphicsState = 1;
    static short line =0;

    if(GraphicsState ==1)
    {
        DCH1SSIZ =  LINE_LENGTH;
        GraphicsState++;

        if(line++ >= -1)
        {
         VSYNC =1;
         DATA_ENABLE =1;

         DCH1SSA = _VirtToPhys(&GraphicsFrame[line][0]);

              if(line == (FRAME_HEIGHT))
              {
                 VSYNC =0;
                 line= -VER_BLANK;
              }
         }
     }
    else
     {
        HSYNC =0;
        DATA_ENABLE =0;

        //Perform Back Porch Clock Signal
        PMDINSET=1;

        HSYNC = 1;
        DCH1SSIZ =  HBackPorch;
        GraphicsState= 1;
     }

    DCH1INTCLR = 0x08;          //CHBCIF = 0
    IFS1CLR = 0x20000;         //DMA1IF =0
    DCH1CONSET =0x80;          //CHEN =1
}
```

# Putpixel

```
void PutPixel(short x, short y)
{

    if(_clipRgn)
    {
       if(x < _clipLeft)
          return;
       if(x > _clipRight)
          return;
       if(y < _clipTop)
          return;
       if(y > _clipBottom)
          return;
    }

  GraphicsFrame[(GetMaxX()-x)][y] = _color;
}
```

# Lab Exercise 4

## Purpose

Understand how to send data to an LCD display. After this lab the student should be able to send color data to an LCD Panel and see the data on the screen.

## Procedure

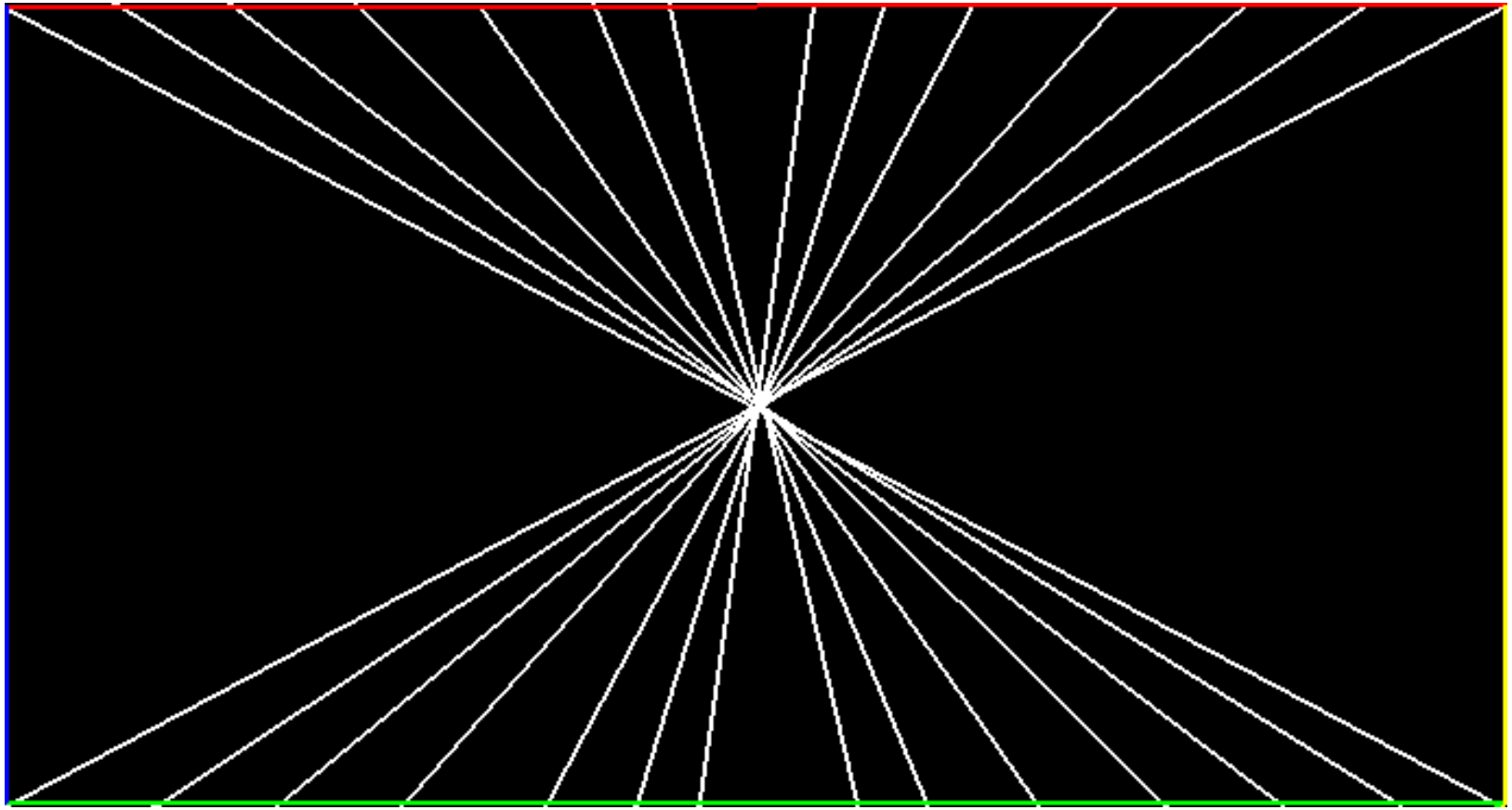
Follow the directions in the lab manual starting on page 1-1

Objectives:

- Use the LCC Graphics board to run the primitive layer demo
- Use microchip graphic library to make changes to the demo

# Lab Exercise 4

## *Expected Results –*



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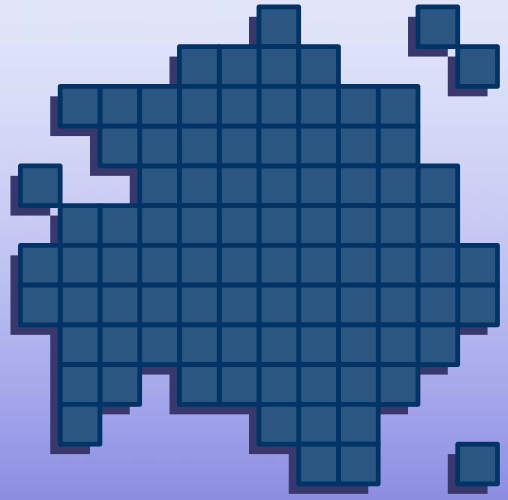
# Lab 4 Summary

- TFT LCD panels can be driven with only a PIC32
- Accomplished using DMA and PMP peripherals
- LCC graphics board available for development



# Summary

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# Steps for design with Microchip Graphics Objects Library

- Use a GUI design tool to design screens, import necessary fonts and image files, and establish style schemes
- Configure hardware using HardwareProfile.h
- Configure Graphics Objects Layer using GraphicsConfig.h
- Place appropriate files in project
- Write application code
  - Use typedefs (see next slide)
  - Implement message structure
  - Remember, allow GOLDraw() to finish parsing linked list before processing messages
  - Add callback functions to customize application response and manage GUI screen states
- Compile, build and run!

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# Microchip Graphics Library Types

| Type | Description |
|---|---|
| **XCHAR** | Sets type of character used in library. Types are **char**, **unsigned char**, or **short** depending on setting in **GraphicsConfig.h** |
| **GFX_COLOR** | Sets type of color used in library. Types are **BYTE**, **WORD** or **DWORD** based on **COLOR_DEPTH** setting in **GraphicsConfig.h** |
| **FONT_FLASH** | Refers to fonts stored in internal FLASH |
| **FONT_EXTERNAL** | Refers to fonts stored in external memory |
| **IMAGE_FLASH** | Refers to images stored in internal FLASH |
| **IMAGE_EXTERNAL** | Refers to images stored in external memory |
| **GOL_SCHEME** | Refers to style scheme structures used by widgets |
| **GOL_MSG** | Refers to the message structure used in the library's messaging interface |
| **OBJ_HEADER** | Refers to the first member of all widget structures. Specifies ID, location (and dimensions), states and style scheme to be used by widget |
| ***WIDGET*** | Refers to the *widget* structures. See library help for complete listing |

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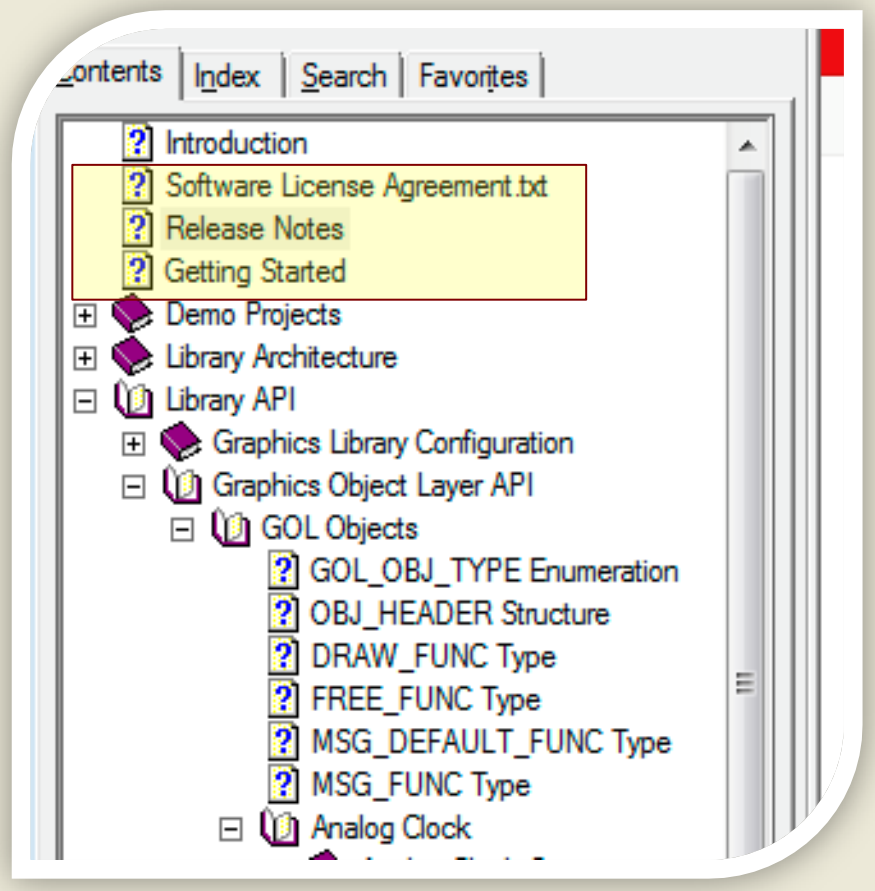
# Words of Wisdom

- Avoid heap fragmentation
  - Use GOLFree()
  - Do NOT …
    - Manually remove widgets from active list
  - Do NOT…
    - Modify list until `GOLDraw()` is complete
- Avoid weird drawing effects
  - Do NOT …
    - Modify drawing properties until `GOLDraw()` has completed the drawing sequence
- Watch the list pointers

# Microchip Graphics Library Static Memory Use

- Define and initialize widget structures
- Define and initialize style scheme structures
- Must maintain linked list
- All other concepts remain

# Microchip Graphics Library Help




Today's class was taught using v3.04.02 of the Microchip Graphics Library. If you have been using older versions, please refer to the migration notes in the Release Notes section. Much has changed!

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# Summary

## Today you learned how to:

- Write programs to display images, fonts, and primitives on LCD panel
- Write programs to display and control widgets on LCD panel
- Graphically create application code to fully utilize Microchip Graphics Library

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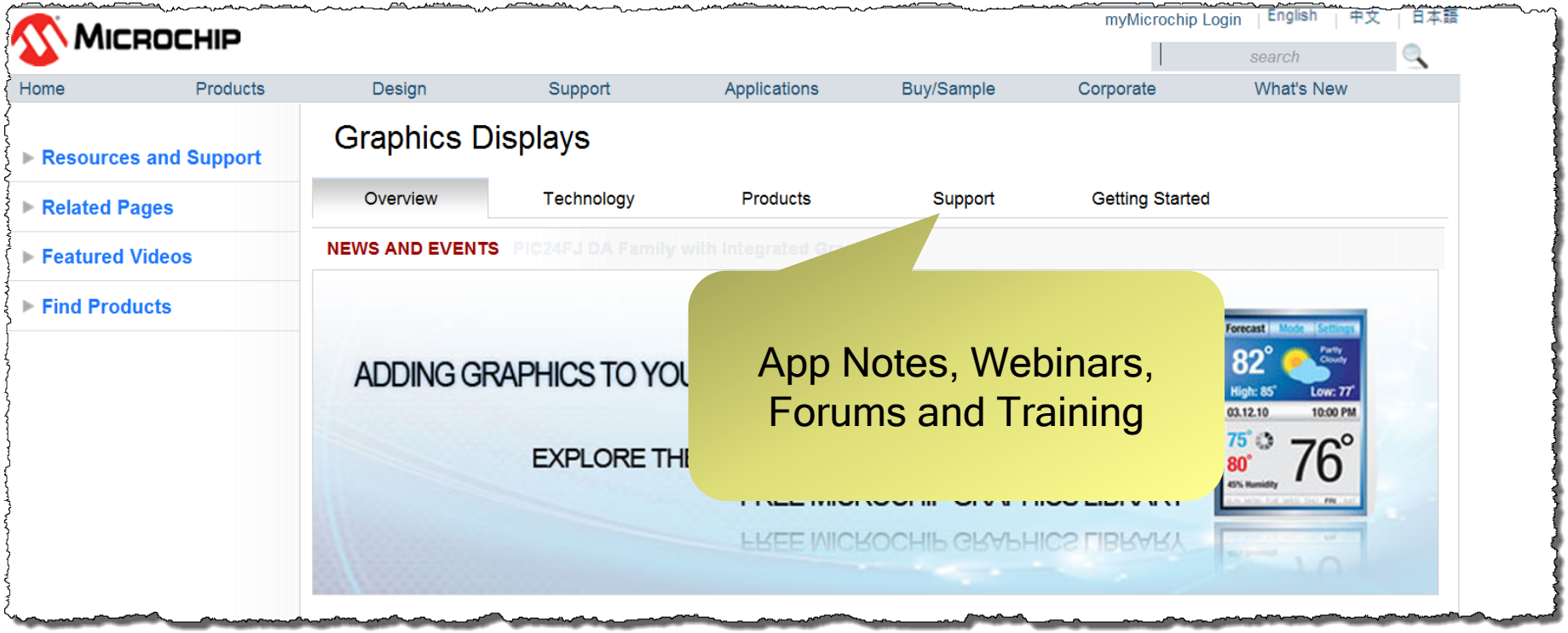

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# Tools

- Microchip Graphics Library v3.04.02
  - http://www.microchip.com/mla
- MPLAB® X IDE
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- MPLAB 16- and 32-bit Compilers
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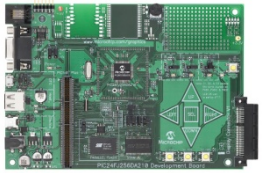
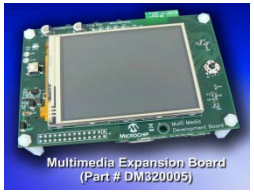





- Explorer 16 Development Board (DM240001)
- PIC24FJ256DA210 Development Board(DM240312)
- Multimedia Expansion Board (MEB) (DM320005)
- PIC32 Starter Kits (DM320001, DM320003-2, DM320004*)

Note: * DM320004 (PIC32 Ethernet Starter Kit) is only compatible with MEB

# Tools

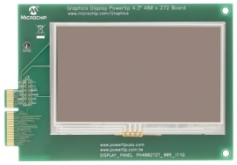
- MPLAB® Starter Kit for PIC24F (DM240011)

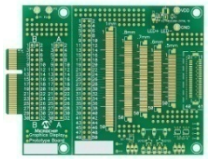

- MPLAB Starter Kit for PIC24H (DM240021)

- Graphics Display Board with 3.2” Display Kit (AC164127-3)


- PIC24FJ256DA210 Development Kit (DV164039)

# Tools

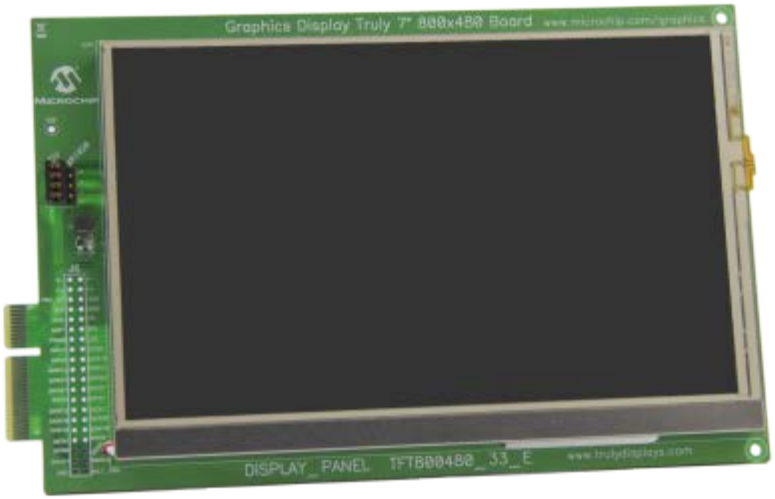




- Graphics LCD Controller PICtail™ Plus SSD1926 Board (AC164127-5)
- Graphics Display Truly 3.2” 240x320 Board (AC164127-4)
- Graphics Display Powertip 4.3” 480x270 Board (AC164127-6)
- Graphics Display Prototype Board (AC164139)

# High Resolution Displays

## Truly 7” WVGA (800x480)




- Resistive 4-wire touch screen
  - AR1020 Touch Controller
- Works with Epson S1D13517 Board

**Part Number:**
**AC164127-9**

## Truly 5.7” VGA (640x480)


- Resistive 4-wire touch screen
  - AR1020 Touch Controller
- Works with Epson S1D13517 Board and others

Part Number:
AC164127-8

# Graphics Epson S1D13517 Board


The Graphics Controller PICtail™ Plus Epson S1D13517 Board allows evaluating Microchip Technology's solution and graphics library for 16- and 32-bit microcontrollers. The Epson S1D13517 offers hardware acceleration for alpha-blending, transparency, animation, multiple buffering, and picture in picture. The kit is compatible with the Explorer 16 development board (DM240001) or one of the PIC32 Starter Boards (DM320001, DM320003).

The features include:

- Graphics display controller Epson S1D13517 supporting 18-bit HR-TFT, and 9/12/18/24 bit TFT interface
- PIC32 Starter Kit Connector
- 16 Megabit (2Mx8) serial flash memory for additional data storage
- Display connector for interfacing with different display boards
- PICtail Plus Interface for connecting to Explorer 16 Development Board
- PIC32 Starter Kit Connector

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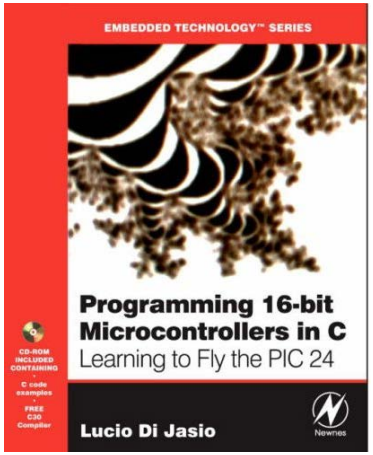
# Suggested Reading

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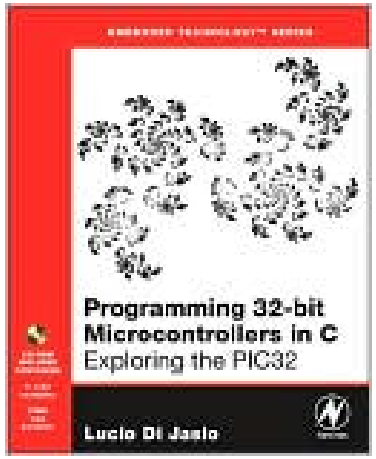


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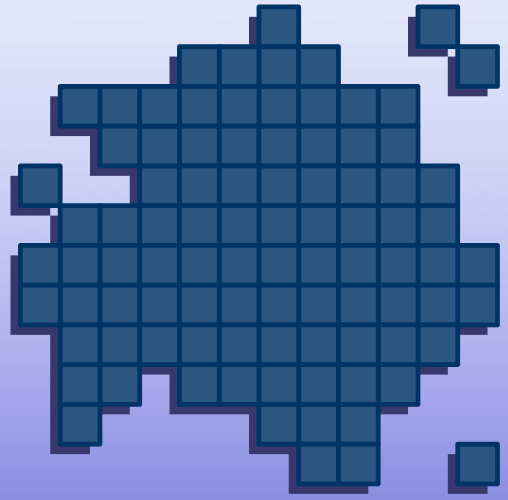

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