Data Processing and Character Display Based on STM32

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Abstract: HMI is passed between people and computers, a medium of exchange and dialogue interface information, indispensable in industrial automation systems. Based on the STM32 processor, it encapsulates line, characters and other display functions, to achieve the data processing and LCD graphic display, the program can support Chinese characters, ASCII character display that supports multi-page display, configuration page information through a DB, support cursor and simple graphical display. The program is simple and convenient, and has better practicability.

1. Introduction

Industrial HMI is in industrial applications interface, is an important tool used to control the industrial field personnel monitoring device controller, connected to the PLC, inverter, governor, instrumentation and other industrial equipment, and written by mouse, keyboard, touch screen input methods to address data resources within the industrial equipment, while a variety of ways to display real-time data and historical data to achieve information interaction of man and machine[1,2].

Body frame character is through the use of man-machine interface configuration software on the PC to write the configuration screen, the configuration screen data in a format via serial download to the embedded controller, the controller will save the downloaded data to the flash memory, read from the flash memory when needed relevant data, and to reproduce the configuration on the display unit screen[3].

2. Design purpose

The data from the PLC to Tx_Disp(Structure) finishing three parts, one for the string output StringBuffer; A saved parameter information (Including i and a) UpdateTable entered last control character information FlickerTable. Timer 1 will be based on the description of the modified value within FlickerTable StringBuffer, the value of Timer 2 will StringBuffer sent to LCD, the screen is refreshed regularly. When you open a cursor, that is, when a user enters the modified state, the program determines the location of each input field based on the description UpdateTable within a certain region of the cursor in the input jitter. Note: Enter the two situations: A D-type data input, each character can be modified independently of its domain, The idea of the program are: to get the current cursor position; Remove the response from the StringBuffer in ascii code, according to the keys after the string and then modify the domain records domain UpdateTable taken in; Another case is the character list, the domain is the index of the list changes, so you have to call the modified output function updates the value of StringBuffer[4]. As the picture shows:
3. The structure definition
   // Data from the plc
   struct Tx_Disp_Struct{
       uchar  offsetr1;  // Ordinate offset
       uchar  offsetr2;
       uchar  offsetr3;
       uchar  offsetr4;
       uchar  Row[maxRowNum][maxRowLength];
       // Configuration information about rowNum line, which has rowLength characters, including
       // constant characters and ASC, and the beginning of the format string %%
       uint      Var[maxVarNum];
       // The first varNum a format string corresponding Var, Var each of indefinite length
   }Tx_Disp;
   // Data from the plc
   // Box Description
   struct G_Arr_Struct{
       uint x1; // Graphics left corner abscissa unit: [pixel]
       uint y1; // Graphics ordinate the upper left corner, unit: [Page]
       uint x2; // Lower right corner of the graphic horizontal axis, unit: [pixel]
       uint y2; // Graphic bottom right corner of the vertical axis, unit: [Page]
   }G_Arr;
   // Box graphic display
   struct Grph_Disp_Struct{
       uchar  GNum; // Graphics Box Number: 0-4
       struct G_Arr_Struct  G_Arr[maxBoxNum];
struct UpdateTable_Struct {
    uchar Row_Type;
    // 4 represents the current row area where the high and low of four type int variables
    // indicating the current or the character list
    uchar Column;
    // High four starting column, the low four end columns altogether 16 optional
    uchar VarIndex;    // Variables Location plc structure
    uint Var;     // The current variable Var
    char format[5];    // Format string
    uint r1;
    uint r2;
} UpdateTable[maxVarNum];

4. Text Table Interface

Single list data structure is as follows:

List0

{int  EleNum; // The total number of list elements
    int  TextLen; // Each text length [bytes], ranging from 1 to 16
    String Text01[TextLen]; // The index number = Text 1
    …
    String Text?[ TextLen ]; // Ref = Text}

The total length of a single list of data is variable. In this tentative list of individual total length over 320 bytes (equivalent to 20 index * 16 bytes). The interface between the application layer and the underlying structure of a single list for the interface. When the need to use multiple lists, controlled by the application layer in turn will send one of these lists to the bottom. Up to more than ten list. The underlying order in which they will in turn be sent to these lists Automatic numbered: 0 to the 9th. For example, from PC Incoming:

as well as:

Tx_Disp.Var[0] = 1235;
Tx_Disp.Var[1] = 4578;
Tx_Disp.Var[2] = 5689;
Tx_Disp.Var[3] = 1;
Tx_Disp.Var[4] = 2;
Tx_Disp.Var[5] = 2;
Tx_Disp.Var[6] = 0;
Tx_Disp.Var[7] = 2;

You will get: Screen output: such as 12.35 and can be modified to accept cursor; elsewhere flashing, frame and so on.

5. Main Function Description

void FlickerTableToDisplayBuffer();

C type of the variable from FlickerTable filled StringBuffer. If the C type corresponds to the variable Var is 1, then the call to fill the flashing characters, and then the next time you fill the space, and so on. Thus, at the timing when this function call results showed flashes; if C corresponding to the type of variable to 2, then fill the space, namely to hide the effects.

void GetCurrentUpdateTableIndex();

According to the current cursor position to give the line "Enter to update the list UpdateTable" where (UpdateTable index). Specifically: the first progressive scan UpdateTable; if the current cursor position within the scope of a variable in UpdateTable corresponding position (on the same line, the cursor between the input area starting column and ending columns), UpdateTable extracted from the current type, if the D type, save the address of the current character; If the T type, then save the text of the list of index numbers, characters, and the starting position of the text starting position. Finally, save where UpdateTable line number (index) and exit.

6. Conclusion

STM has rich peripheral interfaces, which can be very convenient for data processing, data communication, improve the flexibility of the system design, make the system easy to upgrade and expand. This system development cycle is short, the operation is stable and reliable performance, easy to use, the system USES C language program design, its very good portability, modular thinking can be flexible extend other functions in the program, can satisfy the demands of different display.

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