

# **Advanced Fingerprint Module for Arduino**

## **System Overview**

FINGERPRINT background highlight optic fingerprint verification. It consists of optical fingerprint sensor, high performance DSP processor and Flash. It boasts of functions such as fingerprint Login, fingerprint deletion, fingerprint verification, fingerprint upload, fingerprint download, etc. Compared to products of similar nature, FINGERPRINT enjoys the following unique features:

• Self-proprietary Intellectual Property

Optic fingerprint collectiton device, module hardware and fingerprint algorithm are all self-development.

• High Adaptation to Fingerprints

When reading fingerprint images, it has self-adaptive parameter adjustment mechanism, which improves imaging quality for both dry and wet fingers. It can be applied to wider public.

• Algorithm with Excellent Performance

FINGERPRINT module algorithm is specially designed according to the image generation theory of the optical fingerprint collection device. It has excellent correction & tolerance to deformed and poor-quality fingerprint.

• Easy to Use and Expand

User does not have to have professional know-how in fingerprint verification. User can easily develop powerful fingerprint verification application systems based on the rich collection of controlling command provided by FINGERPRINT module. All the commands are simple, practical and easy for development.

• Low Power Consumption

Operation current <80mA, specially good for battery power occasions.

• Integrated Design

Fingerprint processing components and fingerprint collection components are integrated in the same module. The size is small. And there are only 4 cables connecting with HOST, much easier for installation and use.

## **Technical Specifications**

**Operating Voltage:** 

4 3V~6V

## **Rating Voltage:**

6.5V (exceeding this value will cause permanent damage to the module)

#### **Operating Current:**

<80mA (Input voltage 5V)

## **Fingerprint Template:**

768 templates

#### **Search Time:**

<1.5s (200 fingerprint, average value in test)

#### **Power-on Time:**

<200ms (Time lapse between module power-on to module ready to receive instructions)

## **Tolerated Angle Offset:**

±45°

#### **User Flash Memory:**

64KByte

## **Interface Protocol:**

Standard serial interface (TTL level)

#### **Communication Baud Rate:**

57600bps

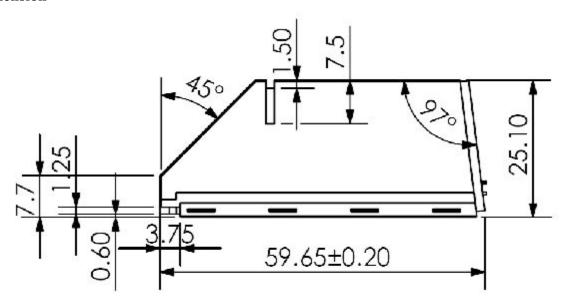
## **Operating Environment:**

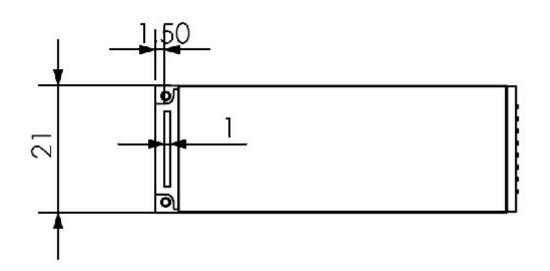
Temperature: -10°C∼+40°C

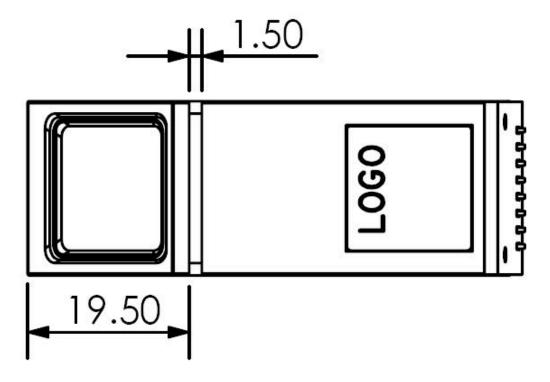
Relative humidity: 40%RH~85%RH (no dew)

# System Specification & Interface

## Dimension







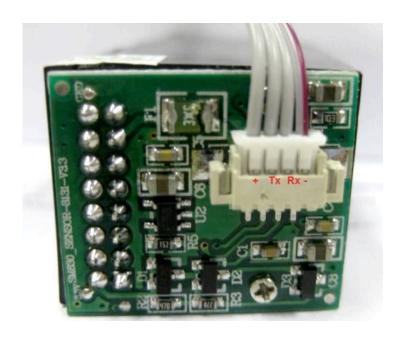
## **Electrical Interface**

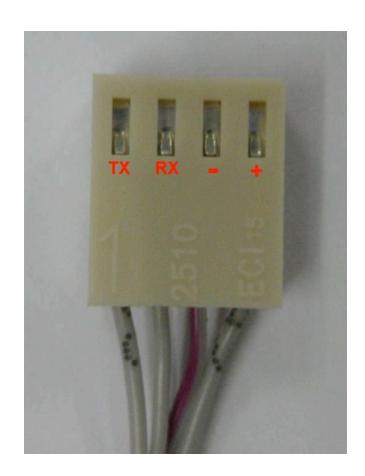
Module is connected to HOST via 4PIN cable. The PIN definition is as follows:

No.	Pin Defination	Remarks
1	Power supply +	Power supply +
2		Open circuit output, need to use pull-up impedance in application (Typical value:10K Ohm)
3	Module Rx	Wide voltage input, 7V affordable
4	Power supply -	Power supply -

## Notes:

The PIN close to the edge of circuit board is PIN4: Power supply -.





# **Communication Protocol**

## Command

No.	Name of command	Command code
1	Add fingerprint	0x40
2	Delete fingerprint	0x42
3	Search fingerprint	0x44
4	Empty fingerprint database	0x46
5	Search information in fingerprint	0x4B
	database	
6	Download fingerprint template	0x50
7	Upload fingerprint template	0x52
8	Read ID number	0x60
9	Read user flash	0x62
10	Write user flash	0x64
11	Read product logo	0x80

## **Response Code**

No.	Name of command	Response code
1	Receive correct	0x01
2	Receive error	0x02
3	Operation successful	0x31
4	Finger detected	0x32
5	Time out	0x33
6	Fingerprint process failure	0x34
7	Parameter error	0x35
8	Fingerprint matching with this ID	0x37
	found	
9	No matching fingerprint with this ID	0x38

10	Fingerprint found	0x39
11	Fingerprint unfound	0x3A

### **Coding Method**

The communication between HOST and Module must be coded as Communication Packet.

One communication packet includes the following:

Packet Head (2 bytes)

Packet flag (1 byte)

Packet length (1 byte)

Packet Content (N bytes)

Check sum (1 byte)

Packet head: 0x4D 0x58

Packet flag:

0x10: command packet

0x20: data packet

0x21: last packet

0x30: response packet

Packet length:

Length of the Content in packet

Packet content:

Content of packet

Check sum:

Low 8 bytes of the SUM from packet head to check sum.

#### **Brief Work Flowchart**

Module waits for command from HOST after it is powered on. Module will respond by a Rx correct packet after receiving the correct command. Module will perform operations according to the command and will return corresponding information after the operation is successful. When the Module is performing operation, it will not respond to other command given by HOST. If the check sum for the received command is wrong, the module will send back receive error response.

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Module receive correct packet: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
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Module receive error packet: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x02 + 0xD8

# **Command Description**

## 1. Add fingerprint

**Description**: Add fingerprint at the designated position

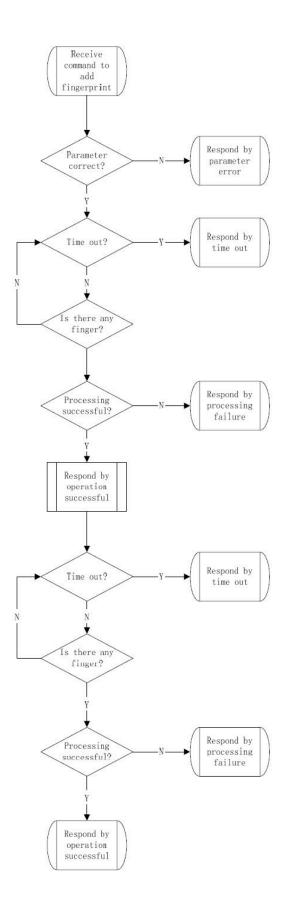
**Length**: 3 bytes

Format: Command code 0x40 + high byte of the to-be-added fingerprint ID + low byte of the

to-be-added fingerprint ID

Flowchart:

After module receives the command to add fingerprint, it goes to the status of adding fingerprint. The flowchart is as follows:



#### For example:

1 HOST send command to add fingerprint at position 0:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x10 + 0x03 + 0x40 + 0x00 + 0x00 + 0xF8$$

- 2 Module responds by receive correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 3 First time to press finger. Module will respond as operation successful after processing the first fingerprint:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x40 + 0x31 + 0x48$$

4 Press finger again, and module will respond as operation successful after processing:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x40 + 0x31 + 0x48$$

#### Remarks:

- 1. Fingerprint ID starts from 0
- 2. Fingerprint storage capacity: 768
- 3. If the ID is wrong in the command, module will responds as parameter error:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x40 + 0x35 + 0x4C$$

4. If user press different finger at the first time and second time, or the fingerprint quality is poor, module will responds as fingerprint processing failure:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x40 + 0x34 + 0x4B$$

5. If there is no finger pressing within 10 seconds, module will respond as time-out.

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x40 + 0x33 + 0x4A$$

#### 2. Delete Fingerprint

**Description:** Delete the fingerprint of designated ID

**Length**: 3 bytes

**Format :** Command code 0x42 + high bytes of the to-be-deleted fingerprint ID + low bytes of the to-be-deleted fingerprint ID

#### For example:

1. HOST send command to delete fingerprint ID No. 0;

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x10 + 0x03 + 0x42 + 0x00 + 0x00 + 0xFA$$

- 2. Module responds as RX correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 3. Module responds as operation successful after execute the fingerprint deletion command:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x42 + 0x31 + 0x4A$$

#### Remarks:

1. If fingerprint ID in the command is out of range, module will respond as parameter error:

#### 3. Search Fingerprint

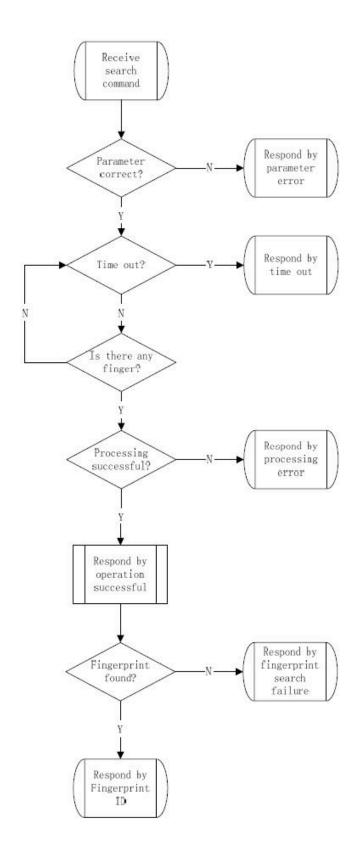
**Description:** Searching for designated fingerprint within range

**Length**: 5 bytes

**Format**: Command code 0x44 + search high bytes of starting ID + search low bytes of low bytes + high bytes of the number of fingerprints searched + low bytes of the number of fingerprints searched

#### Flowchart:

After receiving the command to search fingerprint, module will get ready to status of searching fingerprint. See below flowchart:



## For example:

1. HOST send command to search 16 fingerprints starting from 0:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x10 + 0x05 + 0x44 + 0x00 + 0x00 + 0x00 + 0x10 + 0x0E$$

2. When the fingerprint is placed on the sensor window, module will respond as operation successful:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x44 + 0x31 + 0x4C$$

3. If the fingerprint is found, module will return the following:

0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x04 + 0x44 + 0x39 +high bytes of ID for the found fingerprint + low bytes of ID for the found fingerprint + check sum

4. If no matching fingerprint is found, module will return the following:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x44 + 0x3A + 0x55$$

#### Remarks:

- 1. The number of the fingerprints that are searched starts from the ID of the first fingerprint, for example, the search starts from fingerprint ID 0. the number of fingerprints searched is 0x10, then the fingerprint ID actually being searched is  $0\sim0x0F$ , altogether 0x10 fingerprints.
  - 2. If the ID in the command is wrong, module will responds as parameter error:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x44 + 0x35 + 0x50$$

3. If the fingerprint quality is poor, module will respond as fingerprint processing failure:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x44 + 0x34 + 0x4F$$

4. If there is no finger placing on the sensor with 10 seconds, module will respond as time out:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x44 + 0x33 + 0x4E$$

#### 4. Empty Fingerprint Database

**Description:** Empty all fingerprints in fingerprint database

**Length**: 1 byte

Format: Command code 0x46

#### For example:

1. HOST send command to empty fingerprint database:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x10 + 0x01 + 0x46 + 0xFC$$

- 2. Module will respond as Rx correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 3. Module will respond as operation successful after executing command to empty fingerprint

database:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x46 + 0x31 + 0x4E$$

#### 5. Search Fingerprint Database Information

**Description**: Search and see if there is fingerprint matching the designated ID

Length: 3 bytes

Format: Command code 0x4B + high byte of the to-be-searched fingerprint ID + low

byte of the to-be-searched fingerprint ID

#### For example:

1. HOST send command to search fingerprint with ID 0:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x10 + 0x03 + 0x4B + 0x00 + 0x00 + 0x03$$

- 2. Module will respond as Rx correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 3. If there is fingerprint with ID 0, module will return the following:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x4B + 0x37 + 0x59$$

4. If there is no fingerprint with ID 0, module will then return the following:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x4B + 0x38 + 0x5A$$

#### Remarks:

1. If the fingerprint ID in the command is out of range, module will respond as parameter error:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x4B + 0x35 + 0x57$$

#### 6. Download Fingerprint Template

**Description**: Download a fingerprint into the module

**Length**: 3 bytes

Format: Command code 0x50 + high byte of the to-be-downloaded fingerprint ID +

low byte of the to-be-downloaded fingerprint ID

## For example:

1. HOST send a command to download a fingerprint to the position for ID 0:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x10 + 0x03 + 0x50 + 0x00 + 0x00 + 0x08$$

- 2. Module will respond as Rx correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 3. HOST send the first data packet (packet content 128):

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x20 + 0x80 + \dots 128$$
 bytes of data..... + check sum

- 4. Module will respond as Rx correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 5. HOST send the second data packet (packet content 128):

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x21 + 0x80 + \dots 128$$
 bytes of data..... + check sum

- 6. Module will respond as Rx correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 7. Module will respond as operation successful: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x50 + 0x31 + 0x58

#### Remarks:

1. If the fingerprint ID in the command is wrong, module will respond as parameter error:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x50 + 0x35 + 0x5C$$

#### 7. Upload Fingerprint Template

**Description**: Upload fingerprint template with the designated ID

**Length**: 3 bytes

**Format :** Command code 0x52 + high byte of the to-be-uploaded fingerprint ID + low byte of the to-be-uploaded fingerprint ID.

#### For example:

1. HOST send a command to upload a fingerprint to the position for ID 0:

0x4D + 0x58 + 0x10 + 0x03 + 0x52 + 0x00 + 0x00 + 0x0A

- 2. Module will respond as Rx correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 3. Module send the first data packet

 $0x4D + 0x58 + 0x20 + 0x80 + \dots 128$  bytes of data..... + check sum

- 4. HOST will respond as Rx correct 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 5. Module send the second data packet

 $0x4D + 0x58 + 0x21 + 0x80 + \dots 128$  bytes of data..... + check sum

#### Remarks:

1. If the fingerprint ID in the command is wrong, module will respond as parameter error: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x52 + 0x35 + 0x5E

#### 8. Read ID Number

**Description**: Read module ID number

Length: 1 byte

Format: Command code 0x60

#### **Example**:

1. HOST send a command to read Module ID number:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x10 + 0x01 + 0x60 + 0x16$$

- 2. Module will respond as Rx correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 3. Module will respond by 24-byte ID number after executing the command:

 $0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x19 + 0x60 + \dots 24$ -byte ID number..... + check sum

#### Remarks:

1. ID number is set by manufacturer. User can read ID number only. Each module has

its own ID number. User can tell different module by reading ID number.

#### 9. Read User Flash

**Description**: Read the content of the designated address in user flash in the module

**Length**: 4 bytes

**Format :** Command code 0x62 + read high bytes of the address + read low bytes of the address + read the number

#### For example:

1. HOST send command to read 10 data starting from ADD 0 in user flash:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x10 + 0x04 + 0x62 + 0x00 + 0x00 + 0x0A + 0x25$$

- 2. Module will respond as Rx correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 3. Module will respond by the data it read:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + number of data read + 0x62 + \dots data read \dots + check sum$$

#### Remarks:

1. The memory is 64K bytes in user flash (ADD 1~0xFFFF). Maximum 128Byte data can be read at one time.

#### 10. Write User Flash

**Description**: Write data in the designated address in user Flash

**Length**: N+4 bytes

**Format**: Command code  $0x64 + \text{high bytes of the address where data to be written + low bytes of the address where data to be written + number of data to be written + ......N bytes of data to be written......$ 

#### For example:

1. HOST send a command to write 2 Byte data in to the ADD 0 in user Flash

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x10 + 0x06 + 0x64 + 0x00 + 0x00 + 0x02 + 0x00 + 0x00 + 0x21$$

- 2. Module will respond as Rx correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 3. Module will respond after executing the command:

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x02 + 0x64 + 0x31 + 0x6C$$

#### Remarks:

- 1. The memory is 64K bytes in user flash. Maximum 128Byte data can be written at one time.
- 2. Please do not let address go beyond limit. It will cause unpredictable consequences if there is data outflow.
- 3. Please do not power off when writing in Flash. Powering off will cause unpredictable consequences.

#### 11. Read Product Flag

**Description**: Read product flag

Length: 1 byte

Format: Command code 0x80

#### For example:

1. HOST send command to read product flag

$$0x4D + 0x58 + 0x10 + 0x01 + 0x80 + 0x36$$

- 2. Module will respond by Rx correct: 0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x01 + 0x01 + 0xD7
- 3. Module will respond after executing command:

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0x4D + 0x58 + 0x30 + 0x19 + 0x80 + .....24-byte product flag..... + checksum
```

#### Remarks:

1 Product flag is defined as 24Byte ASCII code, including 8-Byte manufacturer flag, 8-Byte product flag and 8-byte version flag.

# **Hardware Installation**

Fingerprint module may used either to connect to PC or to microcontroller. User may download the example source code or example GUI in fingerprint product page.

#### **6.1 Interface with Computer**

User may use (USB to UART Converter) to interface fingerprint module to PC. GUI Application is also provided for user easy use.



#### **6.2 Interface with Microcontroller Arduino**

We have provided example source code to Fingerprint Reader Integrated with Arduino microcontroller. User may download the source code from product page. Figure below is an example connection between Fingerprint and Arduino Microcontroller.

**Tools and Components** 

## Arduino Uno



LCD Keypad Shield



**Buzzer-PCB Mount** 

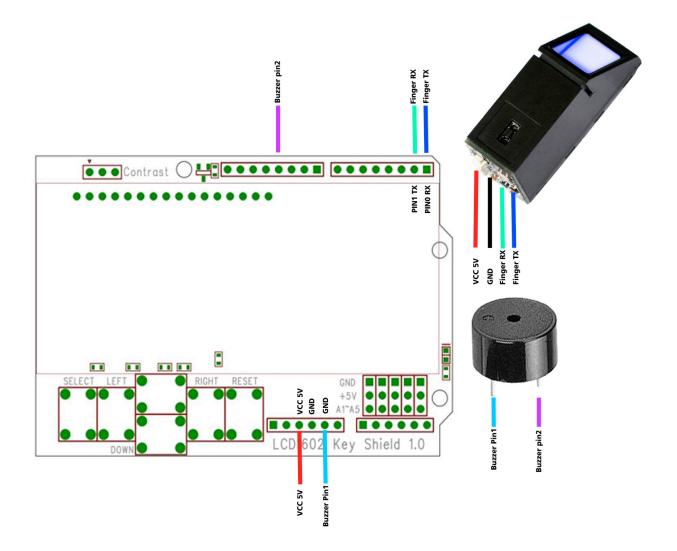


Battery 9V with cap



Mini Solderless Breadboard





- 6. Open the sample code with Arduino IDE and upload it to the Arduino Uno. If you are a beginner to Arduino Uno, make sure you have already installed the driver on your computer. You can refer to the link below for getting started with the Arduino Uno.
  - Arduino Uno Home Page
  - Getting Started
- 7. After the sketch is uploaded, the LCD will display as below:



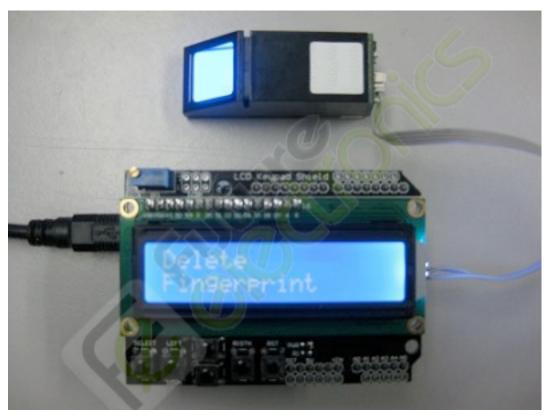
8. Now, let's playing around with this fingerprint reader.

#### Main Menu

Once the sketch is uploaded, the LCD will display as above. Press down or up to view the fingerprint operation. There are altogether five fingerprint operations. Add fingerprint, delete fingerprint, search fingerprint, empty database & search database.







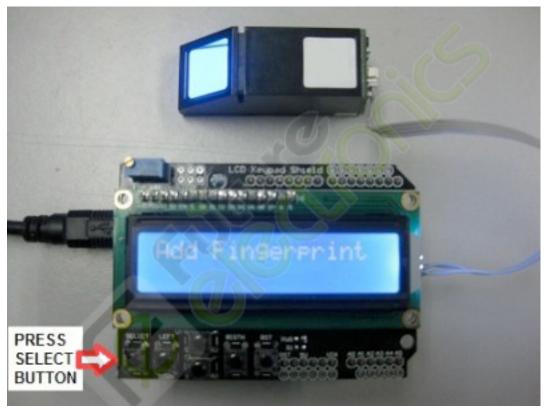






Add Fingerprint Operation

While on the main menu, press select button when you see the add fingerprint menu selection. Here are examples on adding fingerprint user ID 1 and fingerprint user ID 5.



Press Select button to add fingerprint user ID 1. In order to add fingerprint user ID 5, press down button until you see add fingerprint user ID 5.





Once select button is pressed, the fingerprint reader will proceed to the process of adding fingerprint.



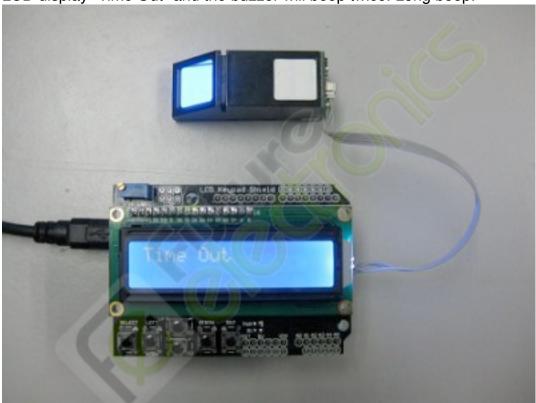
The LCD will display "Fingerprint Added" when the process is successfully done and the buzzer will beep twice. Short beep. Please noted that after LCD display "Fingerprint Added", you need to **press the reset button** in order to go to main menu again.



Mean while, if no fingerprint is placed on the fingerprint reader, there is no process of adding fingerprint. The LCD will display "Time out."

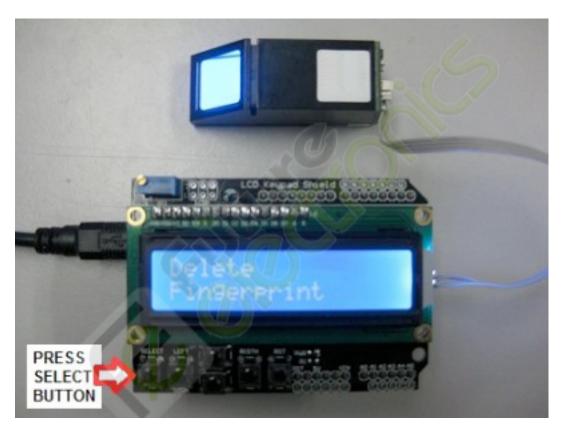


LCD display "Time Out" and the buzzer will beep twice. Long beep.

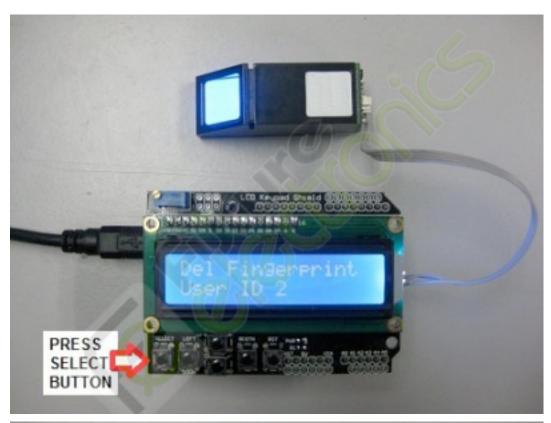


## **Delete Fingerprint Operation**

On the main menu, press select button when you see the delete fingerprint menu selection. Here are examples on adding fingerprint user ID 2 and fingerprint user ID 4.



Press Select button to delete fingerprint user ID 2 or fingerprint 4. For fingerprint 4, please press down button until you see delete fingerprint user ID 4.





Once select button is pressed, the fingerprint reader will proceed to the process of delete fingerprint.



The LCD will display "Delete Fingerprint Operation Success" when the process is successfully done and the buzzer will beep twice. Short beep.



## Search Fingerprint Operation

On the main menu, press select button when you see the search fingerprint menu selection. Here are examples on searching fingerprint user ID 1 and fingerprint user ID 5.



Once select button is pressed, the fingerprint reader will proceed to the process of searching fingerprint.



The LCD will display "Search FPrint Operation Success" when the process is successfully done.



Lastly, the LCD will display the fingerprint user ID and the buzzer will beep twice. Short beep.





Mean while, if no fingerprint is placed on the fingerprint reader, there is no process of adding fingerprint. The LCD will display "Time out."



LCD display "Time Out" and the buzzer will beep twice. Long beep.



If the fingerprint is not added into the fingerprint reader yet, the LCD will display "No Match Found, Invalid Fingerprint"



LCD display "No Match Found, Invalid Fingerprint" and the buzzer will beep twice. Long beep.





## **Empty Database**

On the main menu, press select button when you see the empty database menu selection.



Once select button is pressed, the fingerprint reader will proceed to the process of empty database



The LCD will display "Empty Database Operation Success" when the process is successfully done and the buzzer will beep twice. Short beep.

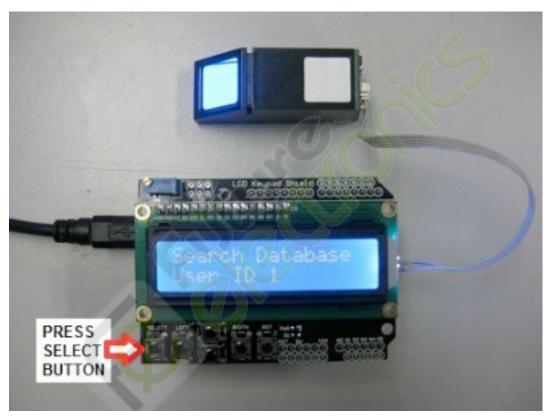


## Search Database

On the main menu, press select button when you see the search database menu selection. Taking into examples here are searching fingerprint user ID 1 and fingerprint user ID 5.



Press Select button to search database user ID 1 or database user ID 5. For database user ID 5, please press down button until you see search database user ID 5.





Once select button is pressed, the fingerprint reader will proceed to the process of searching fingerprint.



The LCD will display "Database Found" when the user ID has fingerprint and the buzzer will beep twice. Short beep.



Mean while, if the user ID doesn't has the fingerprint, the LCD will display "Database Not Found" Examples on Searching Database User ID 3.



LCD display "Database Not Found" and the buzzer will beep twice. Long beep.



## **Arduino Programming Code Description**

Some descriptions of the sample code are as shown in the followings: Please note that this tutorial only demonstrate 5 operations of fingerprint reader. For other operations, please refer to the fingerprint reader user manual for more details about the transmit command code and receive respond code.

Important sample function codes to initialize the byte operation of the fingerprint.

```
/**************
Command Code & Respond Code For Add Fingerprint
******************
byte addFingerPrint0[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x10, 0x03, 0x40, 0x00, 0x00, 0xF8}; // 8 bytes
byte addFingerPrint1[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x10, 0x03, 0x40, 0x00, 0x01, 0xF9}; // 8 bytes
byte addFingerPrint2[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x10, 0x03, 0x40, 0x00, 0x02, 0xFA}; // 8 bytes
byte addFingerPrint3[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x10, 0x03, 0x40, 0x00, 0x03, 0xFB}; // 8 bytes
byte addFingerPrint4[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x10, 0x03, 0x40, 0x00, 0x04, 0xFC}; // 8 bytes
byte operationSuccessAdd[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x30, 0x02, 0x40, 0x31, 0x48}; // 7 bytes
byte timeOutAdd[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x30, 0x02, 0x40, 0x33, 0x4A}; // 7 bytes
byte processFailureAdd[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x30, 0x02, 0x40, 0x34, 0x4B}; // 7 bytes
byte parameterErrorAdd[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x30, 0x02, 0x40, 0x35, 0x4C}; // 7 bytes
/*************
Command Code & Respond Code For Delete Fingerprint
*******************************
byte deleteFingerPrint0[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x10, 0x03, 0x42, 0x00, 0x00, 0xFA}; // 8 bytes
byte deleteFingerPrintl[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x10, 0x03, 0x42, 0x00, 0x01, 0xFB}; // 8 bytes
byte deleteFingerPrint2[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x10, 0x03, 0x42, 0x00, 0x02, 0xFC}; // 8 bytes
byte deleteFingerPrint3[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x10, 0x03, 0x42, 0x00, 0x03, 0xFD}; // 8 bytes
byte deleteFingerPrint4[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x10, 0x03, 0x42, 0x00, 0x04, 0xFE}; // 8 bytes
byte operationSuccessDelete[] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x30, 0x02, 0x42, 0x31, 0x4A}; // 7 bytes
byte parameterErrorDelete [] = {0x4D, 0x58, 0x30, 0x02, 0x42, 0x35, 0x4E}; // 7 bytes
```

Important sample function codes to send command code for the fingerprint reader from Arduino Uno

## Q & A in Development

Q: How to correspond my product with Module?

A: Each module has a different ID number. You can make your system remember this ID number, so that each time before use your system will read Module ID number to check if the module matches. There is user flash in the module, where user can write some related user info to be distinguished from other modules.

Q: How to record the correspondence between fingerprint data and fingerprint owner?

A: User is responsible for setting up the correspondence between fingerprint data and fingerprint owner. For example, if the maximum capacity in your system is for 100 people with 2 fingerprints for each person in your system, you make your own rules of managing the fingerprints and the owners, such as Person No. 0's No.0 fingerprint corresponding to the fingerprint template in ADD 0 in the module; Person No. 0's No. 1 fingerprint corresponding to the fingerprint template in ADD 1 in the module; Person No. 1's No. 0 fingerprint corresponding to the fingerprint template in ADD 2 in the module, etc. When searching, module will respond by the address of the matching fingerprint template to determine the fingerprint owner. If the module returns ADD 4 of the matching fingerprint, it means it matches with Person No. 2's No. 0 fingerprint. There is a 64Kbyte user Flash to store relevant information. You can set up a table to record all people's related information. Please update this table if user adds or deletes fingerprints.

Q: How to improve the speed of response?

A: When searching fingerprints, module will respond by operation successful after detecting the finger. HOST can give indication after receiving the operation successful response, such as buzz for some period of time (such as 400ms). By doing so, User may feel much quicker.

Q: How to make it easier to use?

A: There are plenty of ways to make module easier to use:

- 1. Try to use the THUMB or INDEX finger, because the size is big and the fingerprint quality is better.
- 2. Try to place the finger in alignment with the sensor window
- 3. When use, try to place the fingerer at the same position as when it enrolls.
- 4. Avoid direct sunshine when use.

Q: How to decrease power consumption?

A: Power off the module when it is not being used. Power on the module when system requires fingerprint verification. It takes a very short time to start the module. Module responds quickly.

Q: For login and search command, if there is no finger placed, it takes long to get a response. What to do if I want the module to execute other functions?

A: User will have to wait until the current command is executed. Or user can power off the module and re-power on. It takes a very short time to start the module. Module responds quickly.

Q: If there is an existing fingerprint in a certain address, and what will happen if I add

fingerprint at this same address?

A: The old fingerprint will be covered.

Q: How to set different user authorization?

A: You can set by yourself in your program. For example, if your setting is that fingerprints 0-9 are for Administration, the 10 fingerprints have to be all verified when login or delete fingerprint.