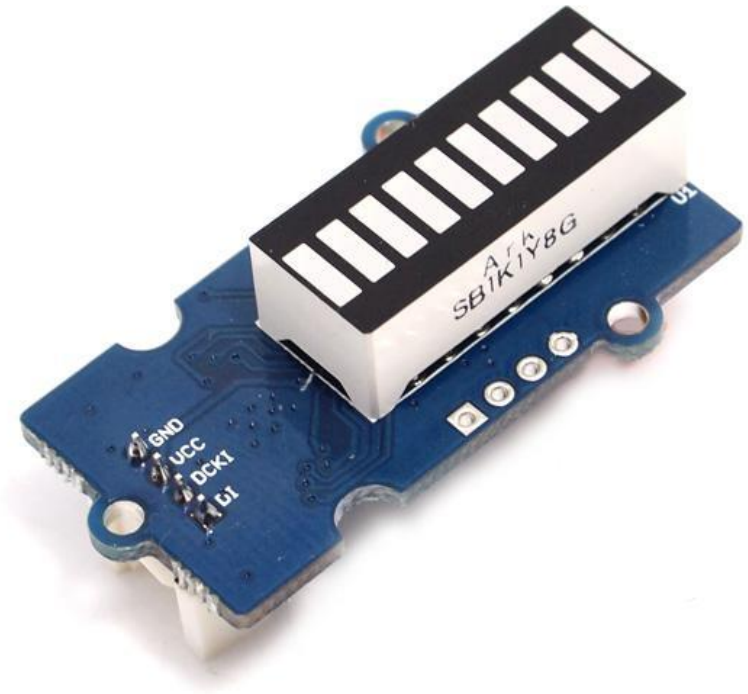
Grove - LED Bar



Grove – LED Bar is comprised of a 10 segment LED gauge bar and an MY9221 LED controlling chip. It can be used as an indicator for remaining battery life, voltage, water level, music volume or other values that require a gradient display. There are 10 LED bars in the LED bar graph: one red, one yellow, one light green, and seven green bars. Demo code is available to get you up and running quickly. It lights up the LEDs sequentially from red to green, so the entire bar graph is lit up in the end. Want to go further? Go ahead and code your own effect.

Version

Product Version	Changes	Released Date
Grove – LED Bar V1	Initial	June 2014
Grove – LED Bar V2	Improved the power supply	Oct 2015

Features

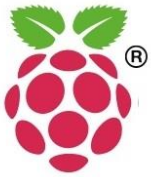
- Input Voltage: 3.3V/5V
- Each LED segment can be controlled individually via code
- Intuitive display
- Flexible power option, supports 3-5.5DC
- Available demo code
- Suli-compatible Library

Tip
More details about Grove modules please refer to Grove System

Specification

Parameter	Value/Range
Operating voltage	3.3⁄5V
Operation Temperature	-20℃ to +80℃
Peak Emission Wavelength-RED(Current 20mA)	630-637nm
Peak Emission Wavelength-Yellow Green(Current 20mA)	570-573nm
Peak Emission Wavelength-Yellow(Current 20mA)	585-592nm
Luminous Intensity Per Segment-RED(Current 20mA)	50-70mcd
Luminous Intensity Per Segment-Yellow Green(Current 20mA)	28-35mcd
Luminous Intensity Per Segment-Yellow(Current 20mA)	45-60mcd
LED segment	10
Size	40mm * 20mm

Platforms Supported

Arduino	Raspberry Pi	BeagleBone	Wio	LinkIt ONE
				

Caution
The platforms mentioned above as supported is/are an indication of the module's software or theoritical compatibility. We only provide software library or code examples for Arduino platform in most cases. It is not possible to provide software library / demo code for all possible MCU platforms. Hence, users have to write their own software library.

Getting Started

Note
If this is the first time you work with Arduino, we firmly recommend you to see Getting Started with Arduinobefore the start.

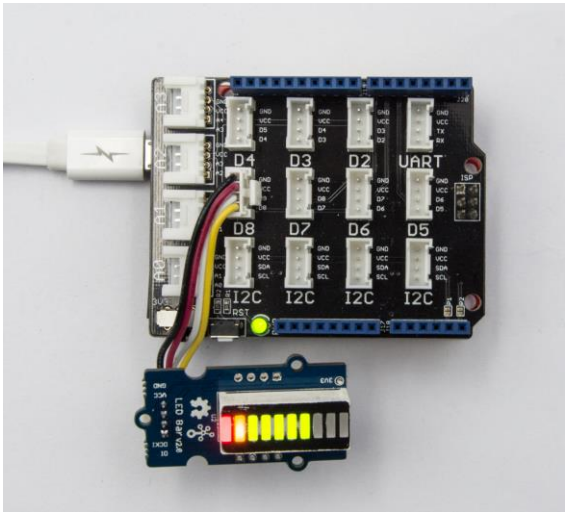
Play With Arduino

Hardware

- **Step 1.** Prepare the below stuffs:

Seeeduino V4.2	Base Shield	Grove-LED Bar
		

- **Step 2.** Connect Grove-LED Bar to port **D8** of Grove-Base Shield.
- **Step 3.** Plug Grove - Base Shield into Seeeduino.
- **Step 4.** Connect Seeeduino to PC via a USB cable.



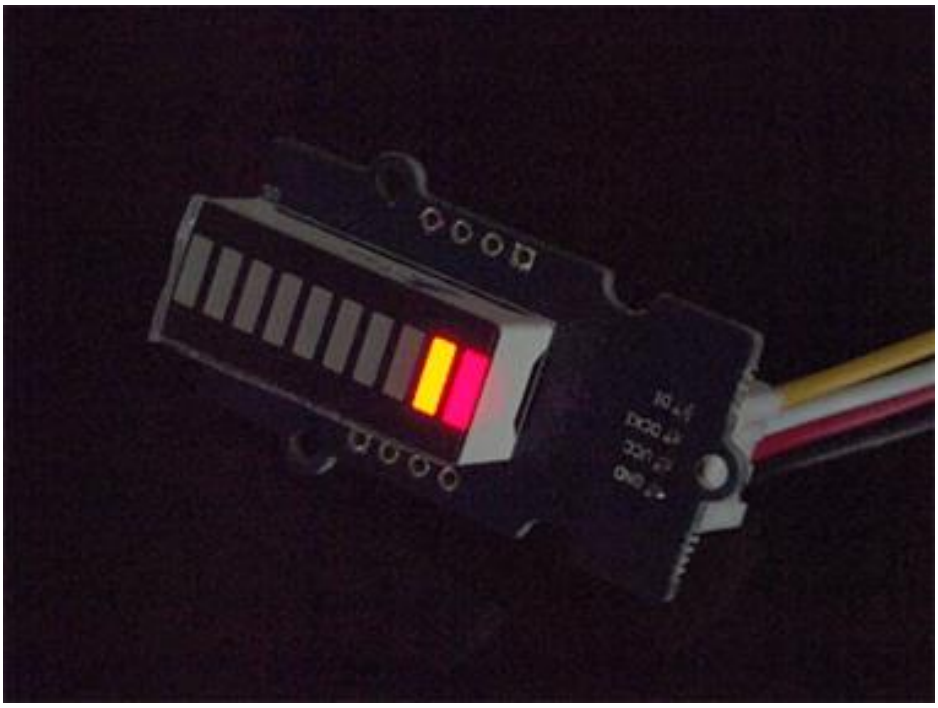
Note
If we don't have Grove Base Shield, We also can directly connect Grove-LED Bar to Seeeduino as below.

Seeeduino	Grove-LED Bar
5V	Red
GND	Black
D9	White
D8	Yellow

Software

- **Step 1.** Download the Grove - LED Bar Library from Github
- **Step 2.** Refer How to install library to install library for Arduino.
- **Step 3.** Restart the Arduino IDE. Open “Level” example via the path : **File** → **Examples** → **Grove LED Bar** → **Level**.
- **Step 4.** Upload the demo. If you do not know how to upload the code, please check how to upload code.

The result should be like:



Play With Raspberry Pi

Hardware

- **Step 1.** Prepare the below stuffs:
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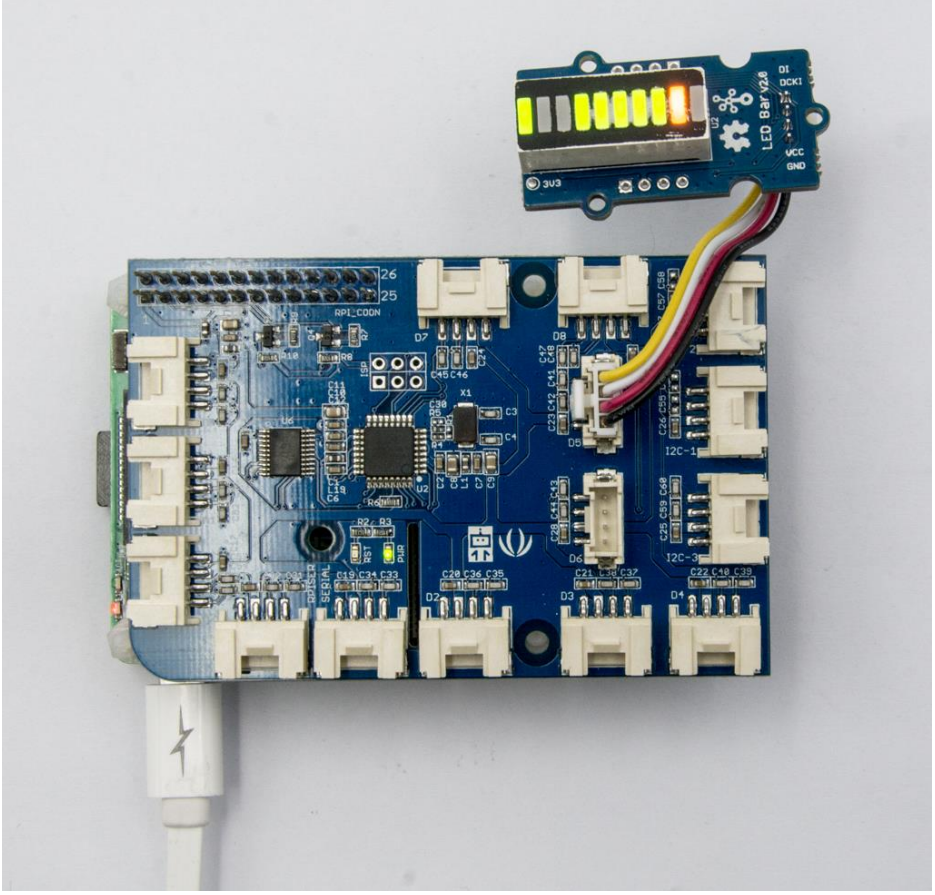
Raspberry pi	GrovePi_Plus	Grove-LED Bar
		

- **Step 2.** Plug the GrovePi_Plus into Raspberry.
- **Step 3.** Connect Grove-LED Bar to **D5** port of GrovePi_Plus.
- **Step 4.** Connect the Raspberry to PC through USB cable.



Software

- **Step 1.** Follow Setting Software to configure the development environment.
- **Step 2.** Follow Updating the Firmware to update the newest firmware of GrovePi.

Tip
In this wiki we use the path **~/GrovePi/** instead of **/home/pi/Desktop/GrovePi**, you need to make sure Step 2 and Step 3 use the same path.

Note
We firmly suggest you to update the firmware, or for some sensors you may get errors.

- **Step 3.** Git clone the Github repository.

```
cd ~
git clone https://github.com/DexterInd/GrovePi.git
```

- **Step 4.** Navigate to the demos' directory:

```
cd yourpath/GrovePi/Software/Python/
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Here is the grove_ledbar.py code.

```
import time
import grovepi
import random

# Connect the Grove LED Bar to digital port D5
# DI,DCKI,VCC,GND
ledbar = 5

grovepi.pinMode(ledbar,"OUTPUT")
time.sleep(1)
i = 0

# LED Bar methods
# grovepi.ledBar_init(pin,orientation)
# grovepi.ledBar_orientation(pin,orientation)
# grovepi.ledBar_setLevel(pin,level)
# grovepi.ledBar_setLed(pin,led,state)
# grovepi.ledBar_toggleLed(pin,led)
# grovepi.ledBar_setBits(pin,state)
# grovepi.ledBar_getBits(pin)

    while True:
        try:
        print "Test 1) Initialise - red to green"
        # ledbar_init(pin,orientation)
        # orientation: (0 = red to green, 1 = green to red)
        grovepi.ledBar_init(ledbar, 0)
        time.sleep(.5)


        print "Test 2) Set level"
        # ledbar_setLevel(pin,level)
        # level: (0-10)
        for i in range(0,11):
            grovepi.ledBar_setLevel(ledbar, i)
            time.sleep(.2)
        time.sleep(.3)

        grovepi.ledBar_setLevel(ledbar, 8)
        time.sleep(.5)

        grovepi.ledBar_setLevel(ledbar, 2)
        time.sleep(.5)

        grovepi.ledBar_setLevel(ledbar, 5)
        time.sleep(.5)


        print "Test 3) Switch on/off a single LED"
        # ledbar_setLed(pin,led,state)
        # led: which led (1-10)
        # state: off or on (0,1)
        grovepi.ledBar_setLed(ledbar, 10, 1)
        time.sleep(.5)
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55
56          grovepi.ledBar_setLed(ledbar, 9, 1)
57          time.sleep(.5)
58
59          grovepi.ledBar_setLed(ledbar, 8, 1)
60          time.sleep(.5)
61
62          grovepi.ledBar_setLed(ledbar, 1, 0)
63          time.sleep(.5)
64
65          grovepi.ledBar_setLed(ledbar, 2, 0)
66          time.sleep(.5)
67
68          grovepi.ledBar_setLed(ledbar, 3, 0)
69          time.sleep(.5)
70
71
72          print "Test 4) Toggle a single LED"
73          # flip a single led - if it is currently on, it will become off
74 and vice versa
75          # ledbar_toggleLed(ledbar, led)
76          grovepi.ledBar_toggleLed(ledbar, 1)
77          time.sleep(.5)
78
79          grovepi.ledBar_toggleLed(ledbar, 2)
80          time.sleep(.5)
81
82          grovepi.ledBar_toggleLed(ledbar, 9)
83          time.sleep(.5)
84
85          grovepi.ledBar_toggleLed(ledbar, 10)
86          time.sleep(.5)
87
88
89          print "Test 5) Set state - control all leds with 10 bits"
90          # ledbar_setBits(ledbar, state)
91          # state: (0-1023) or (0x00-0x3FF) or (0b0000000000-0b1111111111)
92 or (int('0000000000',2)-int('1111111111',2))
93          for i in range(0,32):
94              grovepi.ledBar_setBits(ledbar, i)
95              time.sleep(.2)
96          time.sleep(.3)
97
98
99          print "Test 6) Get current state"
100         # state = ledbar_getBits(ledbar)
101         # state: (0-1023) a bit for each of the 10 LEDs
102         state = grovepi.ledBar_getBits(ledbar)
103         print "with first 5 leds lit, the state should be 31 or 0x1F"
104         print state
105
106         # bitwise shift five bits to the left
107         state = state << 5
108         # the state should now be 992 or 0x3E0
109         # when saved the last 5 LEDs will be lit instead of the first 5
110 LEDs
111         time.sleep(.5)
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113
114         print "Test 7) Set state - save the state we just modified"
115         # ledbar_setBits(ledbar, state)
116         # state: (0-1023) a bit for each of the 10 LEDs
117         grovepi.ledBar_setBits(ledbar, state)
118         time.sleep(.5)
119
120
121         print "Test 8) Swap orientation - green to red - current state is
122 preserved"
123         # ledbar_orientation(pin,orientation)
124         # orientation: (0 = red to green, 1 = green to red)
125         # when you reverse the led bar orientation, all methods know how
126 to handle the new LED index
127         # green to red
128         grovepi.ledBar_orientation(ledbar, 1)
129         time.sleep(.5)
130
131         # red to green
132         grovepi.ledBar_orientation(ledbar, 0)
133         time.sleep(.5)
134
135         # green to red
136         grovepi.ledBar_orientation(ledbar, 1)
137         time.sleep(.5)
138
139
140         print "Test 9) Set level, again"
141         # ledbar_setLevel(pin,level)
142         # level: (0-10)
143         # note the red LED is now at index 10 instead of 1
144         for i in range(0,11):
145             grovepi.ledBar_setLevel(ledbar, i)
146             time.sleep(.2)
147         time.sleep(.3)
148
149
150         print "Test 10) Set a single LED, again"
151         # ledbar_setLed(pin,led,state)
152         # led: which led (1-10)
153         # state: off or on (0,1)
154         grovepi.ledBar_setLed(ledbar, 1, 0)
155         time.sleep(.5)
156
157         grovepi.ledBar_setLed(ledbar, 3, 0)
158         time.sleep(.5)
159
160         grovepi.ledBar_setLed(ledbar, 5, 0)
161         time.sleep(.5)
162
163
164         print "Test 11) Toggle a single LED, again"
165         # ledbar_toggleLed(ledbar, led)
166         grovepi.ledBar_toggleLed(ledbar, 2)
167         time.sleep(.5)
168
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169         grovepi.ledBar_toggleLed(ledbar, 4)
170         time.sleep(.5)
171 
172 
173         print "Test 12) Get state"
174         # state = ledbar_getBits(ledbar)
175         # state: (0-1023) a bit for each of the 10 LEDs
176         state = grovepi.ledBar_getBits(ledbar)
177 
178         # the last 5 LEDs are lit, so the state should be 992 or 0x3E0
179 
180         # bitwise shift five bits to the right
181         state = state >> 5
182         # the state should now be 31 or 0x1F
183 
184 
185         print "Test 13) Set state, again"
186         # ledbar_setBits(ledbar, state)
187         # state: (0-1023) a bit for each of the 10 LEDs
188         grovepi.ledBar_setBits(ledbar, state)
189         time.sleep(.5)
190 
191 
192         print "Test 14) Step"
193         # step through all 10 LEDs
194         for i in range(0,11):
195             grovepi.ledBar_setLevel(ledbar, i)
196             time.sleep(.2)
197         time.sleep(.3)
198 
199 
200         print "Test 15) Bounce"
201         # switch on the first two LEDs
202         grovepi.ledBar_setLevel(ledbar, 2)
203 
204         # get the current state (which is 0x3)
205         state = grovepi.ledBar_getBits(ledbar)
206 
207         # bounce to the right
208         for i in range(0,9):
209             # bit shift left and update
210             state <<= 1;
211             grovepi.ledBar_setBits(ledbar, state)
212             time.sleep(.2)
213 
214         # bounce to the left
215         for i in range(0,9):
216             # bit shift right and update
217             state >>= 1;
218             grovepi.ledBar_setBits(ledbar, state)
219             time.sleep(.2)
220         time.sleep(.3)
221 
222 
223         print "Test 16) Random"
224         for i in range(0,21):
225             state = random.randint(0,1023)
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226             grovepi.ledBar_setBits(ledbar, state)
227             time.sleep(.2)
228         time.sleep(.3)
229 
230 
231         print "Test 17) Invert"
232         # set every 2nd LED on - 341 or 0x155
233         state = 341
234         for i in range(0,5):
235             grovepi.ledBar_setBits(ledbar, state)
236             time.sleep(.2)
237 
238             # bitwise XOR all 10 LEDs on with the current state
239             state = 0x3FF ^ state
240 
241             grovepi.ledBar_setBits(ledbar, state)
242             time.sleep(.2)
243         time.sleep(.3)
244 
245 
246         print "Test 18) Walk through all possible combinations"
247         for i in range(0,1024):
248             grovepi.ledBar_setBits(ledbar, i)
249             time.sleep(.1)
250         time.sleep(.4)
251 
        except KeyboardInterrupt:
            grovepi.ledBar_setBits(ledbar, 0)
            break
        except IOError:
            print "Error"
```

- **Step 5.** Run the demo.

```
1sudo python grove_ledbar.py
```

Resources

- [**Eagle&PDF**]Grove - LED Bar Eagle File
- [**Library**]Grove - LED Bar Library
- [**Library**]Suli-compatible Library
- [**Datasheet**]MY9221 Datasheet
- [**More Reading**]Wooden Laser Gun

Projects

Grove LED Bar v2.0: Calliope Mini is equipped with two Grove connectors. In this project, I want to explore, how to talk to these Seeed Grove parts.

Grove LED Bar Controller with the Bean+: Learn the basics of using popular Grove components with the new LightBlue Bean+ to get started with building your own projects!

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