



Speedometer Description 10/3/22 (tft11-59-6-1.py)



<http://dunn-itvideoservicesllc.yolasite.com/speedometer.php>

Our “old” engines, #399, #1686 and #17 are not equipped with speedometers. The two “new” engines, #671 and #1640 are equipped with speedometers and several of our engineers noted that is was a useful feature.

A speedometer, based on a GPS receiver, was fabricated to be used in our old engines. The unit is self-contained and does not require any mechanical connection to the engine other than 12 volts DC.

The speedometer uses a Globecast BU-353 GPS receiver, a Raspberry Pi-Zero Linux computer, with a 3.5 in display. The system requires 5 volts and uses a step-down DC-DC convertor to obtain this from the engine’s electrical system.

The software is a python script. It displays the speed on a 3.5” graphic display. The unit also displays the time and date and it automatically adjusts for DST and EST.

The latest version displays speed limit warnings for speeds above 15 mph on the main line and 10 mph at the grade crossing, the bridge and Bonsal and New Hill yards.

Technical Details

The software is installed in the ***/home/pi/speedometer*** directory and the main program is ***speedometer.py***. In addition to the main program, the system requires that the shell script ***gpssock*** be installed in the ***/home/pi/speedometer*** directory.

Additionally, to auto-start the system on power up, a shell script, ***autoexec.sh*** must be in the ***/home/pi directory***, and a ***.desktop*** file must be installed in the ***/home/pi/.config/autostart*** directory. (The ***autoexec.sh*** is named after the after the ***autoexec.bat*** file in MSDOS)



A complete list and a detailed set of instructions are in build for the SD card for the Raspberry Pi.

There is also a detailed description of all of the custom software used in the system.

The speedometer is housed in a Harbor Freight tilt bin plastic storage cabinet. The groove in the drawer allows the Pi-0 to slide into it. The SD card will not fit within the groove. A slot was made in the drawer to allow the SD card to be inserted after the assembly has been installed. A plastic pin holds the drawer from opening.

The DC-DC buck converter will work with an input voltage range of 40 volts to 7 volts and provide the 5 volts needs. There are other convertors available that will work up to 80 volts if need be.

The version tft11-59-6 adds compass arrow indication North.

Version tft11-2.py automatically sets the local time to EST or DST.

Since the system determines the offset, Version **tft11-2dow.py** replaces the EST or DST with the day of the week in the time display.

There are several documented errors:

- 1- When the system is booted after 8:00 PM local time the day of the week displays the next day. This is cause by the conversion from Universal time to local time.
- 2- Additionally, when the system was booted on the evening of 8/31/20, the date displayed was **09/0/20**.
- 3- The other issue is that the date for 9/2/20 should be displayed as **'09/02/20'**. It displays the date as **'09/2/20'**,
- 4- When VNC is used to log into the system the display is small and it is difficult to work with.
- 5- 1/15/21. On two occasions it was noticed the system displayed the wrong date:



Note that 8/26/2004 is NOT a Friday.
8/26/1904 is a Friday.

When this happened, the speed was displayed correctly.

Re starting the system restored normal operation.

A **failed attempt** to fix problems 1, 2 and 3 was made in version ***tft11-2-1dow.py***.

The following files are needed in the ***/home/pi/speedometer*** folder:

gpssock
nhvrr350.jpg
speedometer.py
autoexec.sh
clearscreen.jpg
speed_limit_40x50.jpg
speed_limit_10.jpg
arrow_up.jpg
arrow_down.jpg
arrow_clear.jpg
Track3_50.jpg

Software Description. tft11-2.py

The system uses a GPS receiver to determine the speed. It also extracts the date and time information from the GPS serial data stream.

The ***gps_lock*** determines if the data is valid. If it is not, the error signal will be displayed. "Waiting for valid data".



12/15/2020 Version ***tft11-41_speed_alert.py*** displays a 15 MPH speed limit sign when the speed is greater than 15 mph. It requires the file: ***speed_limit_40x50.jpg*** file.



Three lines were added to the program

The variable ***speedlimit*** is the converted Speed Limit sign above,
In the last two lines below the if statement displays the ***speedlimit*** icon if the speed is greater than 15 mph.



03/06/2021 Version **tft11-54.py**

This version added a 10 mph limit at Bonsal Crossing, Horton Road, the Bridge and New Hill yard.. Note the `ffearr` location is for testing purposes only.



1 degree of latitude is 69.2 miles. 250 Ft is .0007 degrees. This is what we will make delta. We will subtract delta from the new hill yard latitude and add delta to the motor car house latitudes.

latitudes for speed alert

`ffearr = 35.796198504`

`motor_car_house = 35.6615445`

`horton_rd = 35.68121523`

`bridge = 35.68775611`

`new_hill = 35.69729441`

`delta = .00015` # The spread between the latitude and play point

`speed_limit_10 = pygame.image.load('/home/pi/speedometer/speed_limit_10.jpg').convert()`

This section checks the speed and location and displays the warning.

`if abs(ffearr -latt) < delta and gpsd.fix.speed *2.236 > 10:`

`print ffearr -latt`

`print delta`

`screen.blit(speed_limit_10,(100,115))`

`elif abs(horton_rd -latt) < delta and gpsd.fix.speed *2.236 > 10:`

`screen.blit(speed_limit_10,(100,115))`

`elif abs(bridge -latt) < delta and gpsd.fix.speed *2.236 > 10:`

`screen.blit(speed_limit_10,(100,115))`

`elif latt< motor_car_house and gpsd.fix.speed *2.236 > 10:`

`screen.blit(speed_limit_10,(100,115))`

`elif latt> new_hill and gpsd.fix.speed *2.236 > 10:`

`screen.blit(speed_limit_10,(100,115))`

`if gpsd.fix.speed *2.236 > 15:`



`screen.blit(speedlimit,(100,115))`

03/06/2021 Version **tft11-57.py**

Changed the from



to



Add **nhvrr350.jpg** to /home/pi/**speedometer** folder.
Centered date and time display.

10/3/22 Version **tft11-59-6-1.py**

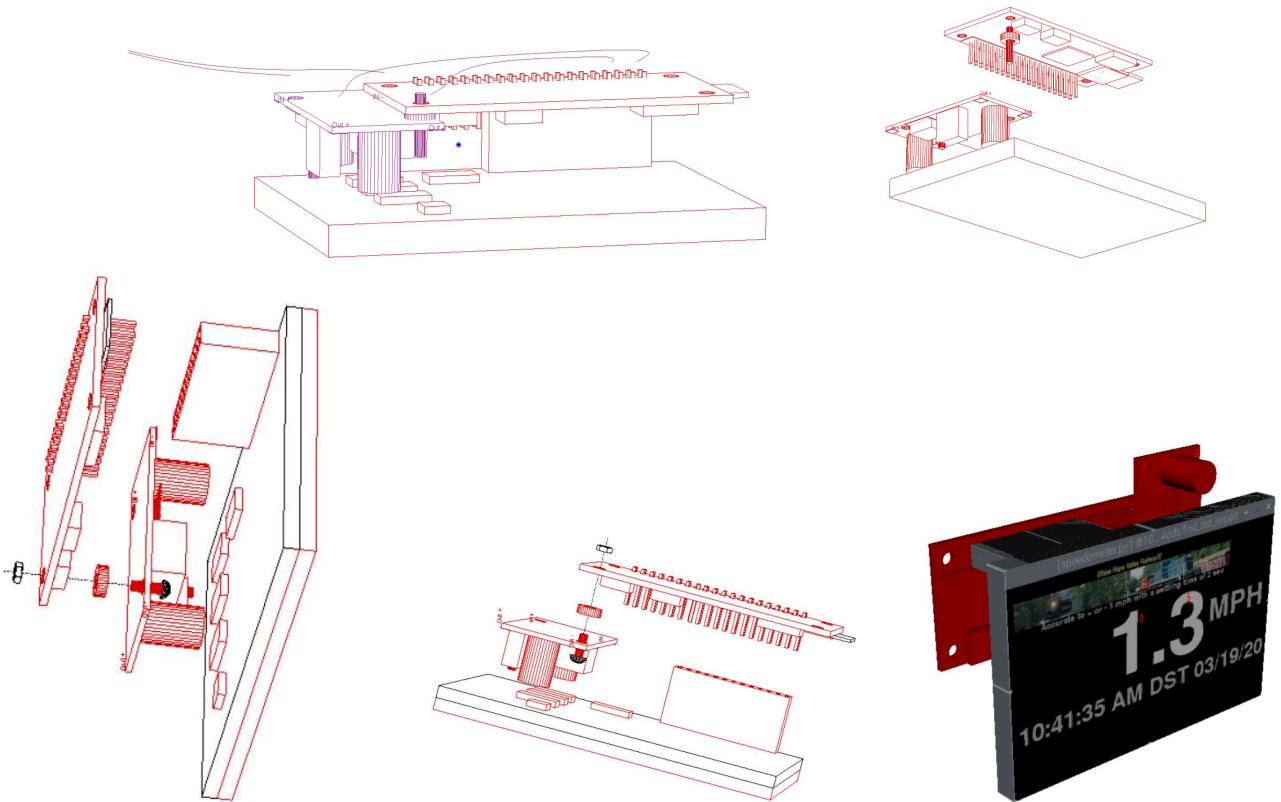
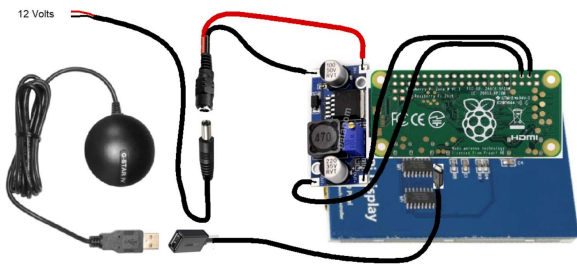
This version added the North Tracking arrow:



```
def show_track(message):  
    font = pygame.font.Font(None,50)  
    text = font.render(message, 1,(200,200,200))  
    screen.blit(text,(10,90))  
  
    show_track(str(gpsd.fix.track)[0:2])  
  
    #Rotating Arrow  
    track_arrow =pygame.image.load('track3_50.jpg').convert()  
  
    rotated_image = pygame.transform.rotate(track_arrow, gpsd.fix.track)  
  
    screen.blit(rotated_image,(15,125))
```



Assembly Drawing





Appendix 1

3/3/20 Build Speedometer SD card.

The easiest way to do it is to use an image file of an existing system and write it to a new 16 gig SD card. It is VERY important to use ONLY SanDisk brand SD card.

Some other brands (for example PNY) have slightly less usable memory ie 16K less, and the image file is too large to write to this card. The 15,558,144 KB image file dated 1/28/21 is ***tft11-41.img***.

- a) Load Noobs
- b) Select WiFi
- c) Install VNC
- d) Install CGPS
- e) Build gpssock file
- f) Install TFT display driver
- g) Load speedometer folder
- h) Make the system auto start on bootup.
- i) Inhibit sleep mode



e) The **gpssock** is a Linux shell script. It is needed to initialize the gpsd software.

It contains the following three lines:

```
sudo systemctl stop gpsd.socket
```

```
sudo systemctl disable gpsd.socket
```

```
sudo gpsd /dev/ttyUSB0 -F /var/run/gpsd.sock
```

The gpssock script file just created must be made executable. To do this, in the terminal enter the command: **sudo chmod +x gpssock**

When the **ls** command is executed the **gpssock** file will be yellow or green, indicating that is executable. See below.

```
pi@raspberrypi: ~/speedometer
File Edit Tabs Help
clrscreen.jpg
day_before.py
desktop.ini
downnot.py
dst-2.py
dst_correct_dow2.py
dst_correct_dow.py
dst.py
find_dst_import.py
find_dst_import.pyc
gpssock
gpssock.sh
logoTFT.jpg
'Material Lilst.xlsx'
nhvrr350.jpg
Pictures
'Screen Grab.dcd'
Screen_grab_tft11-52.jpg
speed_alert.py
speed_limit_10.jpg
Speed_limit_150x230.jpg
Speed_limit_300x500.jpg
speed_limit_40x50.jpg
Speed_limit_.jpg
'Speedometer Description 03-19-21.docx'
speedometer.py
test_datetime.py
tft11-41_speed_alert.py
tft11-51.py
tft11-52.py
tft11-53.py
tft11-54.py
tft11-55.py
tft11-56.py
tft11-57.py
Title.jpg
x-gpssock
x.py
pi@raspberrypi:~/speedometer $
```



f) Load TFT software

Open Terminal of Raspberry Pi (You may need to connect a keyboard and HDMI LCD to Pi for driver installing)

At the command line run

```
git clone https://github.com/waveshare/LCD-show.git
```

After the program loads:

```
cd LCD-show
```

```
Run the script LCD35B-show
```

Note: Network connection is required while installing driver to your Pi, or else the touch won't work properly. #If the LCD you have is old version, use this command:

```
./LCD35B-show
```

#If the LCD you have is V2 version, use this command:

```
./LCD35B-show-V2
```

3. After system rebooting, the RPi LCD is ready to use.

Method 2. Using Ready-to-use image

The image file with pre-installed driver is located in the IMAGE directory of the CD, or you can download it from [#Image](#). Extract the .7z file and you will get an .img file. Write the image to your micro SD card (How to write an image to a micro SD card for your Pi? See [RPi Image Installation Guides](#) for more details). Then insert the card to your Pi, power up and enjoy it.

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```
File Edit Tabs Help
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ cd LCD-show
pi@raspberrypi:~/LCD-show $ ls
\boot                               LCD4C-show
cmdline.txt                         LCD4-show
cmdline.txt-noobs                  LCD5-show
dtc.sh                              LCD7-1024x600-show
etc                                  LCD7-800x480-show
inittab                             LCD-hdmi
LCD101-1024x600-show               mk_arcade_joystick_rpi-master
LCD154-show                        nes
LCD28-show                         README.md
LCD32C-show                        rpi-fbcp
LCD32-show                          usr
LCD35B-show                        waveshare32b-overlay.dtb
LCD35B-show-V2                    waveshare32c-overlay.dtb
LCD35C-show                        waveshare35a-overlay.dtb
LCD35-HDMI-480x320-show           waveshare35b-overlay.dtb
LCD35-HDMI-800x480-show          waveshare35b-v2-overlay.dtb
LCD35-show                        waveshare35c-overlay.dtb
LCD43-show                        waveshare4c-overlay.dtb
LCD43-show-V2                     xinput-calibrator_0.7.5-1_armhf.deb
LCD4-800x480-show
pi@raspberrypi:~/LCD-show $ \
```

Toggle between LCD and HDMI display

There are a pair to *shell scripts* that will toggle the displays.

```
pi@raspberrypi:~
File Edit Tabs Help
pi@raspberrypi:~ $
pi@raspberrypi:~ $
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ ls
2020-10-04-215440_1280x1024_scrot.png Downloads speedometer
2021-12-01-192151_1920x1080_scrot.png g ted.py
autoexec.gps gps_2017 ted.py.save
autoexec.GPS gps_2020 Templates
autoexec.s gps31.py tft
autoexec.sh gpssock.sh up
autoexec.sh.save hdmi usb.txt
autoexec.tft LCD-show Videos
autoexec.tft.save MagPi x.py
Desktop Music zzRebuild_no_Autostart
dn Pictures zzRebuild_no_Autostart.save
Documents Public
pi@raspberrypi:~ $
```

From the */home/pi* directory,
enter: *./hdmi* or *./tft* to toggle the display.



Once this LCD is enabled, meanwhile the default settings for HDMI are changed. If you want to use another HDMI monitor, please run the following command:

```
cd LCD-show/  
./LCD-hdmi
```

This toggles the mode to LCD display: #If the LCD you have is old version, use this command:

```
./LCD35B-show
```

#If the LCD you have is V2 version, use this command:

```
./LCD35B-show-V2
```



Load files into the `/home/pi/speedometer`

The following files are needed in the `/home/pi/speedometer` folder:

`nhvrr350.jpg`
`speedometer.py`
`autoexec.sh`
`clearscreen.jpg`
`speed_limit_40x50.jpg`
`speed_limit_10.jpg`
`arrow_up.jpg`
`arrow_down.jpg`
`arrow_clear.jpg`
`Track3_50.jpg`

Turn off sleep mode

Stop Sleep mode:

```
sudo nano /etc/xdg/lxsession/LXDE-pi/autostart
```

Add these lines:

```
@xset s noblank  
@xset s off  
@xset -dpms
```

h) Build the auto start system to run the program on turn-on.

Run a Python program automatically on startup

This method will start a Python Program in a terminal widow.
The program is **`xyz.py`** and it is in the `/home/pi/abc` directory.

To do this, an **`autoexec.sh`** file is created in the startup directory, `/home/pi`. This is an executable Linux shell file. It will run the Python file in the correct directory.

To run this shell script on startup, it must be in the `/home/pi/.config/autostart/desktop` file.



- 1- Create the **autostart** directory in the **/home/pi/.config** directory.
 - a. Start from the **/home/pi** directory.
 - b. Change to the **.config** directory: **cd .config**
 - c. Create the **autostart** directory: **mkdir autostart**

- 2- Create the **.desktop file**: **sudo nano .desktop**
 - a. Enter the follow 3 lines in the text editor:
 - i. **[Desktop Entry]**
Type = Application
Exec = lxterminal -e ./autoexec.sh (The **./** is used to run executable files.)

 - ii. Press **ctrl-o**
 - iii. Press **Enter** to save the file.
 - iv. Pres **ctrl-x** to exit the text editor.

- 3- Create the **autoexec.sh** Linux script file to run the **xyz.py** Python program in the **/home/pi/abc** directory.
 - a. Start in the **/home/pi** directory.
 - i. Create the **autoexec.sh** file: **sudo nano autoexec.sh**
 - ii. Enter the following 2 lines:
cd abc
python xyz.py
 - iii. Press **ctrl-o**
 - iv. Press **Enter** to save the file.
 - v. Pres **ctrl-x** to exit the text editor.

 - b. Make the **autoexec.sh** file executable **chmod +x autoexec.sh**.

Note. The **autoexec.sh** file is not necessary. To run the file it could be placed in the last line of the **.desktop** file: **Exec = lxterminal -e ./python home/pi/abc/xyz.py**.

The advantage of the **autoexec.sh** file is that it makes it easier to change the autorun program.

- 1-The file to be edited is in the **/home/pi directory** instead of the **/home/pi/.config/autostart** directory.
- 2- Several **autoexec.xx** files can be save and easily be rename to the **autoexec.sh** file.

3-In this case, the 2 lines in the **autoexec.sh** script are:

```
cd speedometer  
sudo python speedometer.py
```



The autoexec.sh file is launched by the **.desktop** file. This file is in the **/home/pi/.config/autostart** folder and contains the following three lines:

```
[Desktop Entry]  
Type = Application  
Exec = lxterminal -e ./autoexec.sh
```



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Appendix1- 2 Controlling the Rasp from a remote computer.



Putty



FileZilla

Putty is an open source software that will allow you to open a text window on a remote computer. You must know the IP address of the Raspberry Pi (see below) and the user name and password. They are respectively **pi** and **raspberrypi**. Simply download putty and install on your computer

FileZilla is a free FTP client that needs to be installed on the remote computer.

After the FTP server software has been installed on the Raspberry Pi, the FTP client can be used to transfer files between the two systems. See the link below.

For these programs to load, you need to know the IP address of the Rasp Pi.

In a text window enter **ifconfig**

```
pi@raspberrypi: ~
Debian GNU/Linux comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY, to the extent
permitted by applicable law.
Last login: Tue Nov 13 08:22:33 2018 from 192.168.1.106
pi@raspberrypi:~$ ifconfig
lo        Link encap:Local Loopback
          inet addr:127.0.0.1  Mask:255.0.0.0
          inet6 addr: ::1/128 Scope:Host
          UP LOOPBACK RUNNING MTU:65536 Metric:1
          RX packets:294137 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:294137 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:1
          RX bytes:70934662 (67.6 MiB)  TX bytes:70934662 (67.6 MiB)

wlan0    Link encap:Ethernet  HWaddr 00:0f:13:37:0f:81
          inet addr:192.168.1.108  Bcast:192.168.1.255  Mask:255.255.255.0
          inet6 addr: fe80::f2b4:501d:4cb7:784a/64 Scope:Link
          UP BROADCAST RUNNING MULTICAST MTU:1500 Metric:1
          RX packets:32319 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 frame:0
          TX packets:4926 errors:0 dropped:0 overruns:0 carrier:0
          collisions:0 txqueuelen:1000
          RX bytes:5948309 (5.6 MiB)  TX bytes:781003 (762.6 KiB)

[1]+  Done                  /home/pi/singing_pumpkins/./gpssock
pi@raspberrypi:~$
```

Install putty on the pc and you will be able to control the Rasp Pi from a text window on the pc.

The SSH must be enabled in the Rasp Pi. In a text widow, enter raspi-config.....

ftp or File Transfer Protocol. This will allow for moving files from the Rasp Pi to and from a windows system.

An ftp server is installed on the Rasp Pi and an ftp client is installed on the PC. **FileZilla works** well.

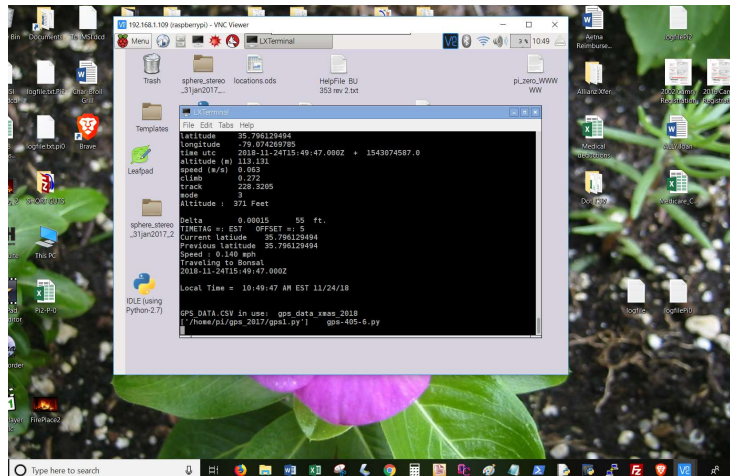
See this link: <https://howtoraspberrypi.com/setup-ftp-server-raspberrypi/> for details on the installation of the ftp server on the Rasp Pi.

In a text window enter **sudo apt install proftpd**.

Appendix 1-3 GUI Control of the Raspberry Pi from a remote computer.



Real VNC Viewer



Detailed installation:

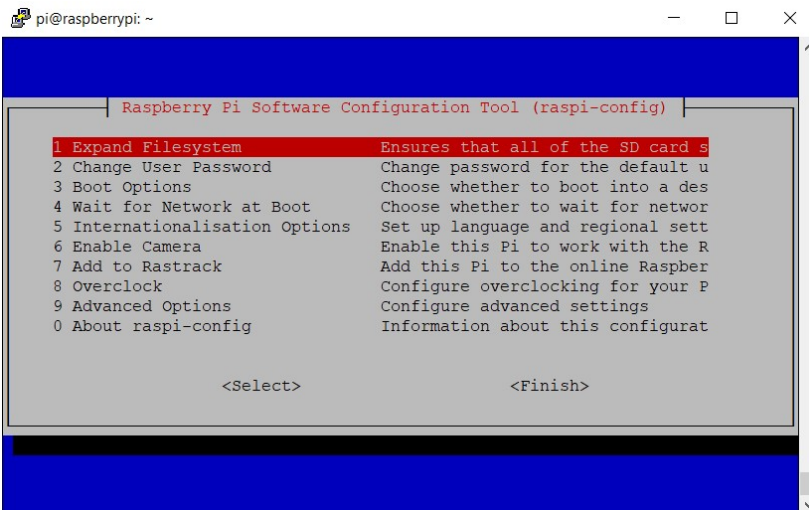
<https://www.raspberrypi.org/documentation/remote-access/vnc/README.md>

Run ***sudo apt-get update***

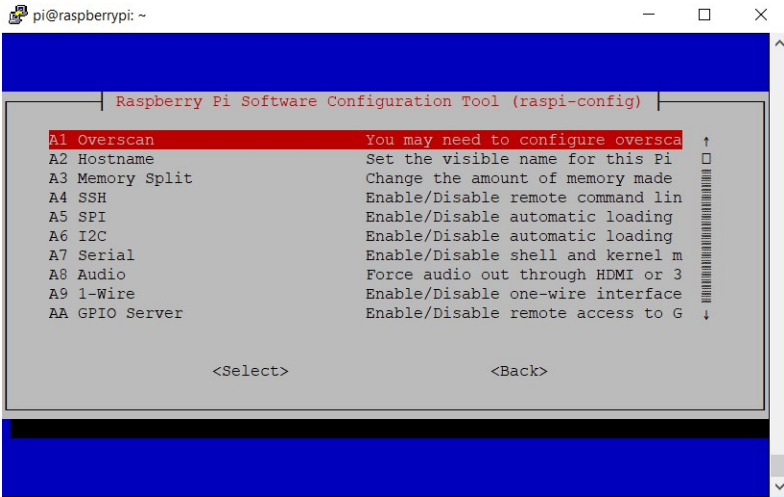
Run ***sudo apt-get install realvnc-vnc-server realvnc-vnc-viewer***

Run ***sudo raspi-config***

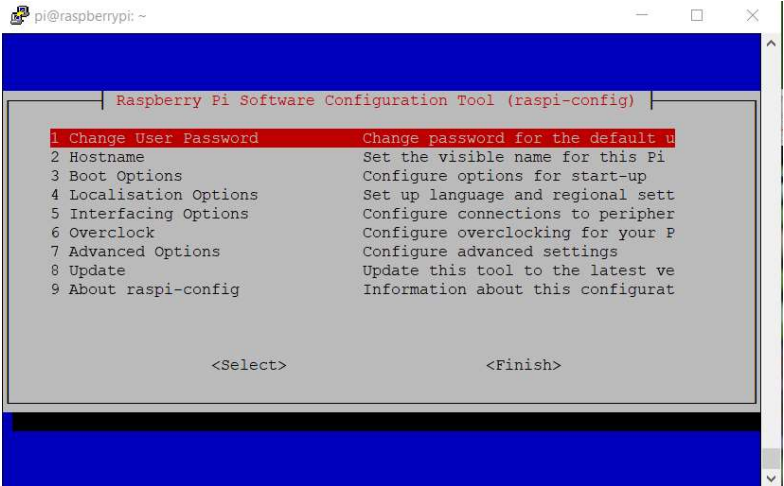
After the install was completed, I ran ***raspi-config*** but could not find VNC!



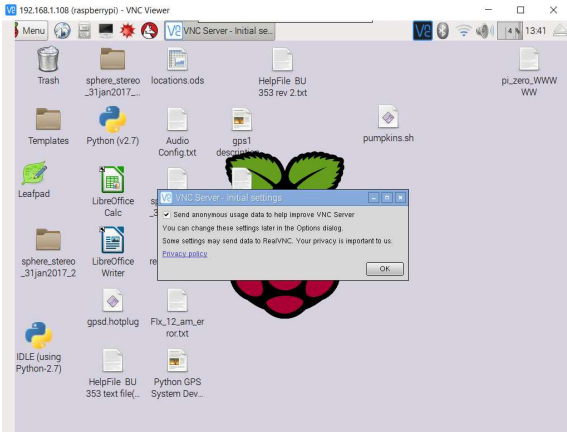
Select Advanced options



Use down arrow to scroll down and show additional options, to A0 Update. It is below the last item shown. Select A0 Update. This will take several minutes to complete. It will then display:



Now you can select Interfacing Options.
Select VNC and enable it.
Select finish.
Reboot the Rasp Pi and you will see:



If you have RealVNC viewer on the controlling unit, it will connect!



Appendix 1-4

Install gps software

Do not connect the gps receiver

At the command line enter:

```
sudo apt-get install python gpsd gpsd-clients
```

The software will install.

Enter "Y" when prompted

Run the gpssock file

At the command line in the /home/pi/speedometer directory, enter:

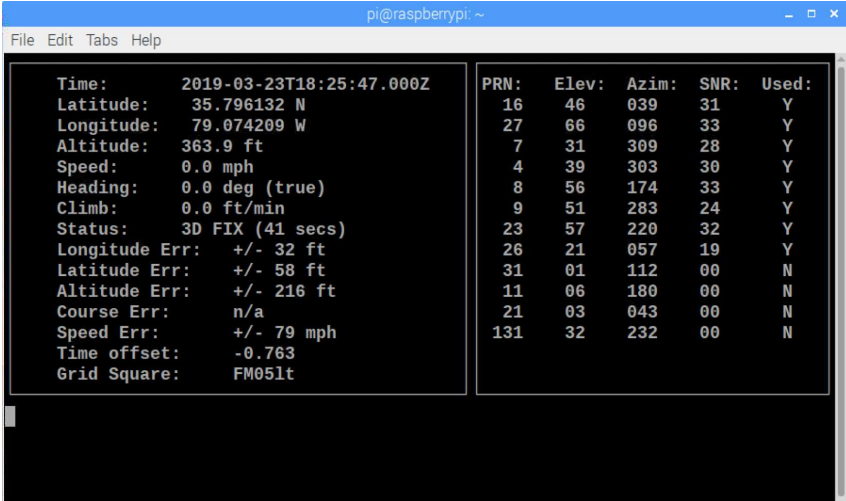
```
./gpssock
```

The ./ is the command to run an executable file. **This file is needed otherwise the gps receiver will not communicate with the Raspberry Pi.** The exact reason for this is unclear.

Run the rest program. At the command line enter::

```
cgps -s
```

You should see the gps data



This file is needed otherwise the gps receiver will not communicate with the Raspberry Pi. The exact reason for this is unclear.



Appendix 2

Determine the dates of DST and EST. 05/14/2020

This python function, ***dst(utc)***, calculates the start date of Daylight savings time and the start date of Eastern standard time, for the date entered.

In North America, DST begins on the second Sunday in March and Ends on the first Sunday in November.

Today's date is entered as a string in the format of yyyy-mm-dd.

The year, month and date are extracted and assigned to the variable ***tday***.

The algorithm to find the start and end date of DST is as follows:

Find the number of the day of January first ***jan1=date(y,1,1)*** of the current year.

Find the day of the week for March 1.

Find the date of the second Sunday.

Find the number of the day for the second Sunday in March, DST start.

Find the day of the week for November 1.

Find the date of the first Sunday.

Find the number of the day for the first Sunday in November, EST start.

If the number of the day of today falls within DST start and EST start, today is on DST.

Otherwise, today is on EST

See Appendix 2-1 for all of the options of when DST starts and when EST starts.

For example: If March 1st occurs on Wednesday, the second Sunday is on March 12th .

The ***est{}*** and ***dst{}*** dictionaries were generated from the data in Appendix 2-1,

The function imports the date functions from the standard library.

In Linux each day is assigned a number beginning on January 1, 1970

The number of the January 1 is assigned the variable ***jan1***.

jan1 = date(yr,1,1)

It generates three dictionaries. The ***dst{}*** dictionary and the ***est{}*** dictionary contain the offset of the first day of the month to the start of DST in March and the start of EST in November. See Appendix 2-1.

The ***dow{}*** dictionary shows the days of the week based on the numeric value from datetime. 0 is Sunday and 6 is Saturday.

The current date ***gpsd.utc*** is in the format of yyyy-mm-dd.

The ***yr***, ***mon***, and ***da*** variables are extracted from ***gpsd.utc***.

yr = int(gpsd.utc)[0:4]

As an example, if ***gpsd = 2020-03-17***, ***yr = 2020***

mon = int(gpsd.utc)[5:7]



```
da = int((gpsd[8:10])
```

Today is the variable **tday**.

```
tday = date(yr,min,da)
```

Today's day of the week is dayofweek

The number for the day of January 1 of the year above is assigned to the variable **jan1**.

```
Jan1 = date(yr,1,1)
```

The day of the week of March 1, of the year above is assigned to the variable mar1.

```
mar1 = datetime.date(yr, 3, 1).weekday() # days 0-6
```

Similarly, for November 1.

From the **dstr{}** and **est{}** dictionaries the starting dates for daylight savings time and eastern standard time are the variables **dst_start** and **est_start**.

```
dst_start = dst.get(mar1) # This is the offset from Mar 1
```

```
est_start = est.get(nov1)
```

The number of the starting dates for daylight savings time and eastern standard times are:

```
start_dst= int((date(yr,3,dst_start)-jan1).days)
```

```
start_est = int((date(yr,11,est_start)-jan1).days)
```

Finally the timetag, either DST or EST is determined by:

```
if ttday-start_dst <0 or start_est - ttday <=0:
```

```
    tag= 'EST'
```

```
else:
```

```
    tag='DST'
```

```
print 'Our time zone is on ',tag
```

```
timetag = tag
```

```
return (timetag,dayofweek)
```

The dayofweek variable is retrieve as: **datetag = dst(gpsd.utc)[1]**.

It replaces the **timetag** variable in the **EDST(x)** function which generates the time display.

An interesting observation regarding calendars is that March 1 and November 1, always occur on the same day of the week, regardless of the year.



Listing of dst(x)

```
def dst(utc):
    #####
    ###Finds the start of EST and DST from today's date
    import datetime
    from datetime import date

    dst = {0:14,1:13,2:12,3:11,4:10,5:9,6:8} # off-set from Mar 1 to start of DST
    est = {0:7,1:6,2:5,3:4,4:3,5:2,6:1} # off_set from Nov 1 to start of EST
    dow =
    {0:'Monday',1:'Tuesday',2:'Wednesday',3:'Thursday',4:'Friday',5:'Saturday',6:'Sunday'
    }

    xxx = gpsd.ut
    yr = int(xxx[0:4])
    mon = int(xxx[5:7])
    da = int(xxx[8:10])
    tday =date(yr,mon,da)

    dayofweek = datetime.date(yr, mon, da).strftime("%A")

    # find Jan 1 of year
    jan1 = date(yr,1,1)

    #find mar1
    mar1 = datetime.date(yr, 3, 1).weekday()# days 0-6
    nov1 = datetime.date(yr, 11,1).weekday()
    print 'March 1 is on a :', dow.get(mar1)
    print 'November 1 is on a :', dow.get(nov1)
    dst_start = dst.get(mar1) # This is the offset from Mar 1
    est_start = est.get(nov1)

    print 'Today is :',xxx
    print 'Today is ',dayofweek,' ',tday
    print 'Daylight savings time starts on Sunday March' , dst.get(mar1),'th in ',yr
    print 'Eastern Standard time starts on Sunday November',est.get(nov1),'th in ',yr

    print xxx
    yr= int(xxx[0:4])
    mon = int(xxx[5:7])
    da = int(xxx[8:10])
    tday =date(yr,mon,da)
    dayofweek = datetime.date(yr, mon, da).strftime("%A")

    # find Jan 1 of year
    jan1 = date(yr,1,1)

    #find mar1
    mar1 = datetime.date(yr, 3, 1).weekday()# days 0-6
    nov1 = datetime.date(yr, 11,1).weekday()
```

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```
print 'March 1 is on a :', dow.get(mar1)
print 'November 1 is on a :', dow.get(nov1)
dst_start = dst.get(mar1) # This is the offset from Mar 1
est_start = est.get(nov1)

print 'Today is :',xxx
print 'Today is ',dayofweek,' ',tday
print 'Daylight savings time starts on Sunday March' , dst.get(mar1),'th in ',yr
print 'Eastern Standard time starts on Sunday November',est.get(nov1),'th in ',yr
ttday =int((tday-jan1).days) # Number of days between today and 1/1
print dst_start
print est_start
print 'Number of days from Jan 1 to today ;',ttday
print 'tday: ',tday
print date(yr,3,dst_start)
print date(yr,11,est_start)
start_dst= int((date(yr,3,dst_start)-jan1).days)
start_est = int((date(yr,11,est_start)-jan1).days)

print start_dst
print start_est

if ttday-start_dst <0 or start_est - ttday <=0:
    tag= 'EST'
else:
    tag ='DST'
print 'Our time zone is on ',tag
timetag = tag
return (timetag,dayofweek)
```



Appendix 2-1

The start of Daylight Savings Time
is the second Sunday in March

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Python Day Number	6	0	1	2	3	4	5
If March 1 is Mon		1	2	3	4	5	6
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
DST starts	14						
If March 1 is Tue			1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
DST starts	13	14					
If March 1 is Wed				1	2	3	4
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
DST starts	12	13	14				
If March 1 is Thu					1	2	3
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
DST starts	11	12	13	14			
If March 1 is Fri						1	2
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
DST starts	10						
If March 1 is Sat							1
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

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DST
starts

9

If March 1 is Sun

DST
starts

1
8

2

3

4

5

6

7

9

10

11

12

13

14



The start of Eastern Standard Time
is the first Sunday in November

Python Day Number	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fir	Sat
	6	0	1	2	3	4	5
If Nov 1 is Mon		1	2	3	4	5	6
EST starts	7						
If Nov 1 is Tue			1	2	3	4	5
EST starts	6	7					
If Nov1 is Wed				1	2	3	4
EST starts	5	6	7				
If Nov 1 is Thu					1	2	3
EST starts	4	5	6	7			
If Nov 1 is Fri						1	2
EST starts	3	4	5	6	7		
If Nov 1 is Sat							1
EST starts	2	3	4	5	6	7	
If Nov 1 is Sun							
EST starts	1	2	3	4	5	6	7



Appendix 3 Detailed description of tft11-2.py

From the libraries: `gps`, `time`, `threading` and `shutil` are imported. (`shutil` may not be needed)

Variables are selected, (`lattold` is not needed)
`pygame` is initialized.

The function ***dst(utc)*** is defined. This function returns the ***timetag***, either EST or DST.
See Appendix 2 for a detailed explanation of this function

The function ***EST(utc)*** is defined. This function returns the date and time string variable that is displayed.

The shell script ***gpssock*** is run. This is needed to start the `gps` receiver.
The ***GpsPoller*** is the routine from Dan Mandle that extract the data from the serial stream.

The next section sets up the display. It first prints the window label showing the file name and a brief description. Then loads the file of the graphic, sets the display dimension and displays the graphic

The next sections defines the display sizes and locations of the elements. The on labeled display is the speed graphic.

The ***if speed == 'nan'***: section checks that the GPS receiver is locked.

The ***if speed != 'nan'***: checks that if the data is valid and the `update_timetag` variable is 0, the system gets the ***timetag*** variable from the ***dst(utc)*** function. It then sets the ***update_timetag*** variable to 1 so that it ignores this step.

The speed is assigned to the variable ***speedd = str(round(gpsd.fix.speed * 3.235,1))***. The ***speed*** variable extracted from the GPS data is in KPH

If the speed is less than 10 MPH the display shows tenths of miles per hour. Otherwise it deletes the decimal part.

The next two lines displays the date and time and updates the display.

The last section does not apply to this program, it could not be deleted at this time.

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Appendix 4: The listing of the speedometer.py (tft11-41_speed_alert.py)

```
###
```

```
### Gps System for the New Hope Valley Railway  
### Created by Ted Dunn 7/28/2016
```

```
#!/usr/bin/python  
# Written by Dan Mandle http://dan.mandle.me September 2012  
# License: GPL 2.0
```

```
### Version 405-3 Added copy gps_data.csv to USB_DRIVE as gps_data_download.csv  
### Version 405-4 Adds version of gps_data.csv (print locs[len(locs)-1])  
### Speed.py 9/10/19  
### speed20.py 1/17/20 added os.system('./gpssock')  
### speed21 reduce delay removed 4 sec delay
```

```
### ver = 'speed30-8-2' # Changed size of date  
### ver = 'speed30-8-3' # Changed ESTime to be Nov-Feb  
### ver = 'speed30-8-4' # Display Waiting for valid data
```

```
### tft6-1 sets display to 480X320  
### tft10 Adds find_dst_import  
### tft10-1 removes flash drive  
##### tft11-1 Uses function  
### tft11-2dow 5/15/20 replaces EST or DST with Day of week  
### tft11-41_speed_alert 12/15/20  
ver = 'tft11-41_speed_alert'
```

```
version = 'gps-405-4.py --- Using isdir() instead of cp_stuff.sh'  
nhv = '--- New Hope Valley Railway ---'  
from sys import argv #used to get file name
```

```
#--from load_usb_ports import usbnum ## Find active number of USB ports for capture data
```



```
import os
from gps import *
from time import *
import time
import threading
from shutil import copyfile ##### Used for isdir() funciot
```

```
#####
lattsaved = 0 ## used for auto save to flash drives
gps_lock = 0
lattold =0 ## Used to deterime direction of travel
script = argv # This is the file name
timetag = 'XYZ'
off_set = 1
update_timetag=0
```

```
#####
#This section is for the Speedometer
import pygame
pygame.init()
screen = pygame.display.set_mode((0,800)) # Sets the screen size
screen.fill((0,0,0)) #Fills the bbackground with black
#####
#####
#Define Colours
WHITE = (255,255,255)
BLUE = (0,0,255)
BLACK = (0,0,0)
GRAY = (128, 128, 128)
MAROON = (128, 0, 0)
NAVYBLUE = (0, 0, 128)
OLIVE = (128, 128, 0)
PURPLE = (128, 0, 128)
TEAL = (0,128,128)
PINK = (226,132,164)
MUTEDBLUE = (155,182,203)
PLUM = (221,160,221)
```



```
def dst(utc):
    #####
    ###Finds the start of EST and DST from today's date
    import datetime
    from datetime import date

    dst = {0:14,1:13,2:12,3:11,4:10,5:9,6:8} # off-set from Mar 1 to start of DST
    est = {0:7,1:6,2:5,3:4,4:3,5:2,6:1} # off_set from Nov 1 to start of EST
    dow = {0:'Monday',1:'Tuesday',2:'Wednesday',3:'Thursday',4:'Friday',5:'Saturday',6:'Sunday'}

    xxx = gpsd.utc
    yr = int(xxx[0:4])
    mon = int(xxx[5:7])
    da = int(xxx[8:10])
    tday =date(yr,mon,da)

    dayofweek = datetime.date(yr, mon, da).strftime("%A")

    # find Jan 1 of year
    jan1 = date(yr,1,1)

    #find mar1
    mar1 = datetime.date(yr, 3, 1).weekday()# days 0-6
    nov1 = datetime.date(yr, 11,1).weekday()
    print 'March 1 is on a .:', dow.get(mar1)
    print 'November 1 is on a .:', dow.get(nov1)
    dst_start = dst.get(mar1) # This is the offset from Mar 1
    est_start = est.get(nov1)

    print 'Today is .:',xxx
    print 'Today is ',dayofweek,' ',tday
    print 'Daylight savings time starts on Sunday March' , dst.get(mar1),'th in ',yr
    print 'Estern Standard time starts on Sunday November',est.get(nov1),'th in ',yr

    print xxx
    yr= int(xxx[0:4])
    mon = int(xxx[5:7])
    da = int(xxx[8:10])
```



```
tday = date(yr,mon,da)
dayofweek = datetime.date(yr, mon, da).strftime("%A")

# find Jan 1 of year
jan1 = date(yr,1,1)

#find mar1
mar1 = datetime.date(yr, 3, 1).weekday()# days 0-6
nov1 = datetime.date(yr, 11,1).weekday()
print 'March 1 is on a :', dow.get(mar1)
print 'November 1 is on a :', dow.get(nov1)
dst_start = dst.get(mar1) # This is the offset from Mar 1
est_start = est.get(nov1)

print 'Today is :',xxx
print 'Today is ',dayofweek,' ',tday
print 'Daylight savings time starts on Sunday March' , dst.get(mar1),'th in ',yr
print 'Eastern Standard time starts on Sunday November',est.get(nov1),'th in ',yr
ttday =int((tday-jan1).days) # Number of days between today and 1/1
print dst_start
print est_start
print 'Number of days from Jan 1 to today ;',ttday
print 'tday: ',tday
print date(yr,3,dst_start)
print date(yr,11,est_start)
start_dst= int((date(yr,3,dst_start)-jan1).days)
start_est = int((date(yr,11,est_start)-jan1).days)

print start_dst
print start_est

if ttday-start_dst <0 or start_est - ttday <=0:
    tag= 'EST'
else:
    tag = 'DST'
print 'Our time zone is on ',tag
timetag = tag
return (timetag,dayofweek)
```



```
#####  
def EDST(utc): # Strips time from gpsd.utc  
  
    timee=utc[11:19]  
    hr=utc[11:13]  
    day=int(gpsd.utc[8:10])  
    hrnum=int(hr) - int(off_set) #hour - zolu offset  
    hrstr=str(hrnum)  
    if hrnum<0:    # Previous day  
  
        hrnum=hrnum+24  
        day=day-1  
        hrstr =str(hrnum)  
  
    if hrnum > 12:  
        hrnum =hrnum-12  
        hrstr= str(hrnum)  
        daynite ='PM'  
    else:  
        daynite = 'AM'  
        if hrnum==12: ### fixes 12 AM error  
            daynite = 'PM'  
    if hrnum<10:    #adds 0  
        hrstr ='0'+hrstr  
    #ttime =hrstr + utc[13:19] + ' ' +daynite + ' '+timetag+ ' '+gpsd.utc[5:7]+'/'  
+str(day)+ '/' +gpsd.utc[2:4]  
    ttime =hrstr + utc[13:19] + ' ' +daynite + ' '+daytag[0:3]+' '+gpsd.utc[5:7]+'/'  
+str(day)+ '/' +gpsd.utc[2:4]  
  
    #####str(dst(gpsd.utc))[1]  
    return (ttime)  
  
gpsd = None #seting the global variable
```



```
os.system('./gpssock') # 1/17/20
os.system('clear') #clear the terminal (optional)
```

```
class GpsPoller(threading.Thread):
    def __init__(self):
        threading.Thread.__init__(self)
        global gpsd #bring it in scope
        gpsd = gps(mode=WATCH_ENABLE) #starting the stream of info
        self.current_value = None
        self.running = True #setting the thread running to true

    def run(self):
        global gpsd
        while gpsd.running:
            gpsd.next() #this will continue to loop and grab EACH set of gpsd info to clear the buffer

if __name__ == '__main__':
    gpsp = GpsPoller() # create the thread
    gpsp.start() # start it up

    while True:
        try:

            while True:
                #It may take a second or two to get good data
                #print gpsd.fix.latitude, ', ', gpsd.fix.longitude, ' Time: ', gpsd.utc

                os.system('clear')

                latt = gpsd.fix.latitude

            #print gpsd.utc
            #print gpsd.fix.time
            print ' New Hope Valley Railway'
            print
            #print 'speed (m/s) ', gpsd.fix.speed
```



```
print 'Speed : '+ str (gpsd.fix.speed *2.236)[0:5] + ' mph'  
#speedd = str (gpsd.fix.speed *2.236)[0:5]  
speedd = str (round(gpsd.fix.speed *2.236,1))  
#print gpsd.utc  
print speedd  
#print str(dst(gpsd.utc))[1]  
#print str(dst(gpsd.utc))[0]
```


#####

This section is for the Speedometer

from /home/pi/learn_pygame/pigame12.py

#####

mph = " MPH"

if len(speedd)>3:

 #speedd =speedd[:2]

 speedd = str (round(gpsd.fix.speed *2.236))[0:2] # rounds the speed

pygame.display.set_caption(str(script)+' '+ ver) # Title of window

#ball = pygame.image.load('/home/pi/learn_pygame/logo.jpg').convert()

ball = pygame.image.load('/home/pi/speedometer/logoTFT.jpg').convert()

The next line clears the speed before it is updated

clr_speed = pygame.image.load('/home/pi/speedometer/clrscreen.jpg').convert()

#clr_speed = pygame.image.load('/home/pi/learn_pygame/clrscreen.jpg').convert()

pygame.display.set_mode((480,320),0,32) ## sets full screen

screen.blit(ball,(10,10))

speedlimit = pygame.image.load('/home/pi/speedometer/speed_limit_40x50.jpg').convert()

def show_date(message):

 font = pygame.font.Font(None,56)

 text = font.render(message, 1,(200,200,200))

 #screen.blit(text, (75,325))

 screen.blit(text, (10,200))

def show_mph(message):

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```
font = pygame.font.Font(None,75)
text = font.render(message, 1,(200,200,200))
#screen.blit(text, (400,200))
screen.blit(text, (350,100))

def display(message): ##### show speed

    font = pygame.font.Font(None,200)
    text = font.render(message, 1,(0,250,250))
    screen.blit(text, (85,60)) # Column, Row

def disclaimer(message):
    font = pygame.font.Font(None,20)
    text = font.render(message, 1,(200,200,200))
    #screen.blit(text,(200,120))
    screen.blit(text,(50,60))

def bad_data(message):
    font = pygame.font.Font(None,35)
    text = font.render(message, 1,(200,200,200))
    screen.blit(text, (15,100))

screen.fill(BLACK)
screen.blit(ball,(10,10))
screen.blit(clr_speed,(320,200))
if gpsd.fix.speed *2.236 > 15:
    screen.blit(speedlimit,(20,100))

if speedd == 'nan':
    bad_data('Waiting for good data')

else:
    display(' '+ speedd)
```



```
show_mph('MPH')
disclaimer('Accurate to + or - 1 mph with a settling time of 2 sec')
```

```
if speedd != 'nan': ## When system is started data is no good
    if update_timetag == 0:
```

```
        update_timetag=1
        timetag = dst(gpsd.utc)[0]
        daytag = dst(gpsd.utc)[1]
        if timetag == "DST":
            off_set = 4
        else:
            off_set = 5
```

```
show_date(str(EDST(gpsd.utc)))
```

```
pygame.display.update()
```

```
#####
###
#####
```

```
#####
```



```
time.sleep(.2) #set to whatever
```

```
except (KeyboardInterrupt, SystemExit): #when you press ctrl+c  
    print "\nTEDDDDD"
```

```
print " ",gpsd.fix.latitude  
print " ",gpsd.fix.longitude
```

```
print'%%%%%%%%%%  
%%'
```

```
file = open('/home/pi/gps_2017/datafile.txt', 'a')  
file.write(' '+str(gpsd.fix.latitude)+',')  
file.write(' '+str(gpsd.fix.longitude)+',')  
GPIO.output(11,1)  
print usbnum ### The number of active USB ports
```