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Model: ESP32-S3 7inch LCD

1. OVERVIEW

The Waveshare ESP32-S3 7inch Capacitive Touch Screen Development Board is a high-performance microcontroller board designed for various applications. It integrates a 7-inch capacitive touch LCD with an 800x480 resolution and 65K RGB colors. Powered by an Xtensa 32-bit LX7 dual-core processor running up to 240MHz, it supports 2.4GHz Wi-Fi (802.11 b/g/n) and Bluetooth 5 (LE) with an onboard antenna. The board features 5-point capacitive touch control via an I2C interface with interrupt support, and includes 8MB Flash and 8MB PSRAM. Multiple external peripheral interfaces such as CAN, RS485, I2C, and a Micro SD card slot are available, along with a full-speed USB serial port.



Figure 1: Waveshare ESP32-S3 7inch Capacitive Touch Screen Development Board with connection cables.

Key Features:

- 7-inch capacitive touch screen with 800x480 resolution and 65K colors.
- Xtensa 32-bit LX7 dual-core processor, up to 240MHz main frequency.
- Supports 2.4GHz Wi-Fi (802.11 b/g/n) and Bluetooth 5 (LE) with onboard antenna.
- 5-point capacitive touch control via I2C interface with interrupt support.
- Built-in 512KB SRAM and 384KB ROM, with onboard 8MB Flash and 8MB PSRAM.
- Onboard CAN, RS485, I2C interfaces, Micro SD card slot, and full-speed USB serial port.
- Flexible clock and independent module power supply settings for low power consumption.

2. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that all items listed below are included in your package:

- ESP32-S3-Touch-LCD-7 x1
- HY2.0 2P to 2PIN male cable 10cm x2
- HY2.0 2P to 3PIN male cable 10cm x1
- HY2.0 2P to 4PIN male cable 10cm x2

3. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Product Dimensions	7 x 7 x 7 inches
Item Weight	10.2 ounces
Model Name	ESP32-S3-Touch-LCD-7
RAM Memory Installed Size	8 MB
Memory Storage Capacity	8 MB
CPU Speed	240 MHz

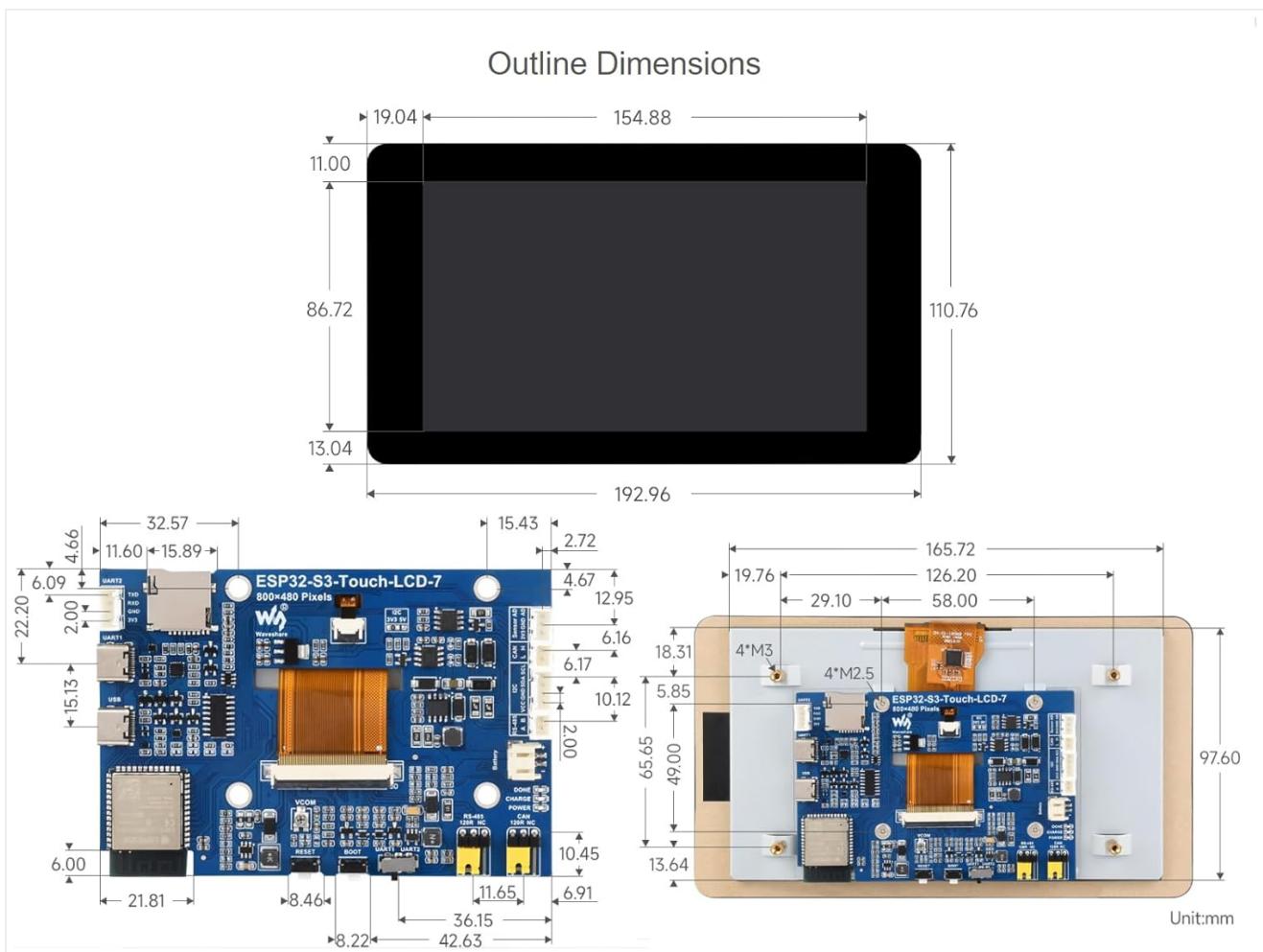


Figure 2: Outline dimensions of the ESP32-S3 7inch LCD development board.

4. SETUP

4.1 Hardware Overview

The development board features various components and interfaces. Familiarize yourself with the layout for proper connection and operation.

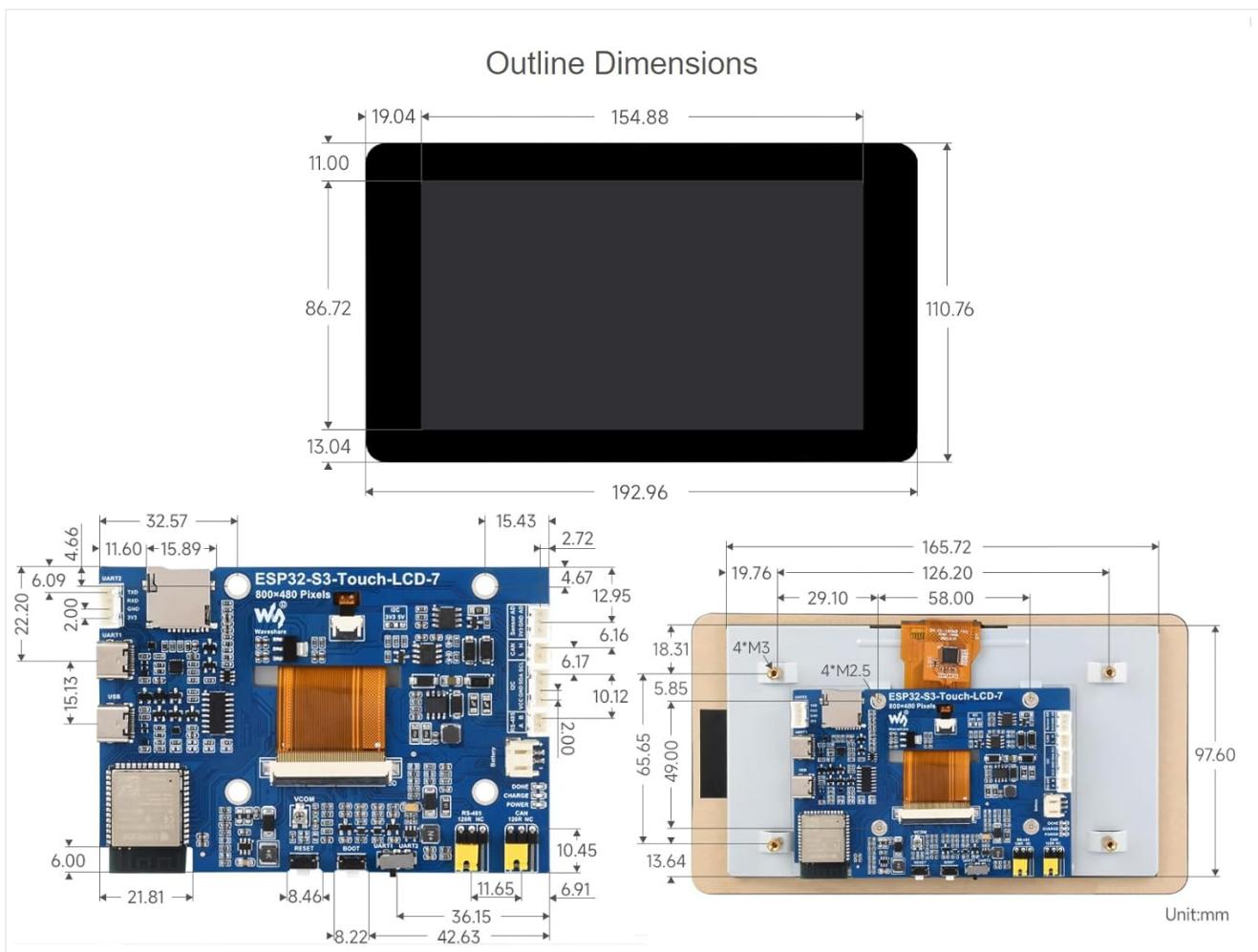


Figure 3: Labeled diagram of the ESP32-S3 7inch LCD board components.

1. ESP32-S3N8R8: SoC with WiFi and Bluetooth, up to 240MHz, 8MB PSRAM and Flash.
2. 3.7V single lithium battery PH2.0 header.
3. Touch panel connector.
4. CAN terminal resistor selection.
5. TF card slot.
6. RS485 terminal resistor selection.
7. USB Type-C port.
8. UART selection: select UART1 or UART2.
9. UART1 Port.
10. BOOT button: Press and hold while powering on for program burning.
11. UART2 connector.
12. RESET button.
13. Sensor header.
14. I2C level selection: 3.3V / 5V.
15. CAN header.
16. DONE: Lithium battery charging completed indicator.
17. I2C header.
18. CHG: Lithium battery charging indicator.
19. RS485 header.
20. PWR: Power supply indicator.

4.2 Software Setup (Arduino IDE)

To program the ESP32-S3 development board, you will typically use the Arduino IDE. Follow these steps for proper setup:

1. **Install Libraries:** Select the correct installation library path in your Arduino IDE preferences. If a 'libraries' folder does not exist, create one. Copy all necessary library files into this folder.
2. **Select Board:** In the Arduino IDE, navigate to 'Tools' -> 'Board' and select 'ESP32S3 Dev Module'.
3. **Configure Flash Mode:** Set the 'Flash Mode' to 'QIO 80MHz'.
4. **Configure Flash Size:** Select 'Flash Size' as '8MB (64Mb)'.
5. **Configure PSRAM:** Select 'PSRAM' as 'OPI PSRAM'.
6. **Select COM Port:** Before uploading, ensure you select the correct COM port corresponding to your connected device under 'Tools' -> 'Port'.
7. **Compile and Upload:** Click the 'Upload' button to compile and upload your code to the board.

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Video 1: This video demonstrates the software setup and upload process for an ESP32-S3 Touch-LCD board using the Arduino IDE. While it features a 4.3-inch model, the library installation, board selection, and upload steps are generally applicable to the 7-inch model.

5. OPERATING THE DEVICE

5.1 Basic Interaction

The 7-inch capacitive touch screen allows for intuitive interaction with your applications. The 5-point touch support enables multi-touch gestures, enhancing user experience for GUI interfaces developed with frameworks like LVGL.

ESP32-S3-Touch-LCD-7

Integrates RGB Interface LCD With 5-Point Capacitive Touch, Multiple Peripheral Interfaces



LX7 Dual-core Processor



2.4 GHz Wi-Fi



BLE 5



Onboard Antenna



7"



5-Point Touch



800×480 Pixels



65K RGB

Figure 4: The ESP32-S3-Touch-LCD-7 displaying a graphical user interface.

5.2 Application Scenarios

This development board is suitable for a wide range of applications, including Human-Machine Interfaces (HMI) and GUI development using LVGL. Its multiple peripheral interfaces allow for integration with various sensors and external devices.

Application Scenarios



Human-machine Interface

The Human-machine Interface (also known as the user interface) is the medium of interaction and information exchange between the system and the user, it realizes the transformation between the internal form of information and the form acceptable to human beings.



LVGL GUI Development

LVGL is a free, open-source graphics library that provides everything you need to create embedded GUI with the easy-to-use graphical elements, beautiful visual effects and low memory requirement.

Figure 5: Examples of application scenarios for the ESP32-S3 board.

5.3 Peripheral Expansion

The board supports expansion of multiple peripherals via its CAN, RS485, and I2C interfaces, as well as UART and USB ports. This flexibility allows for complex system designs.

Supports Multiple Peripherals

Supports The Expansion Of Multiple Peripherals Via Sensor, CAN, RS485, And I2C Interfaces

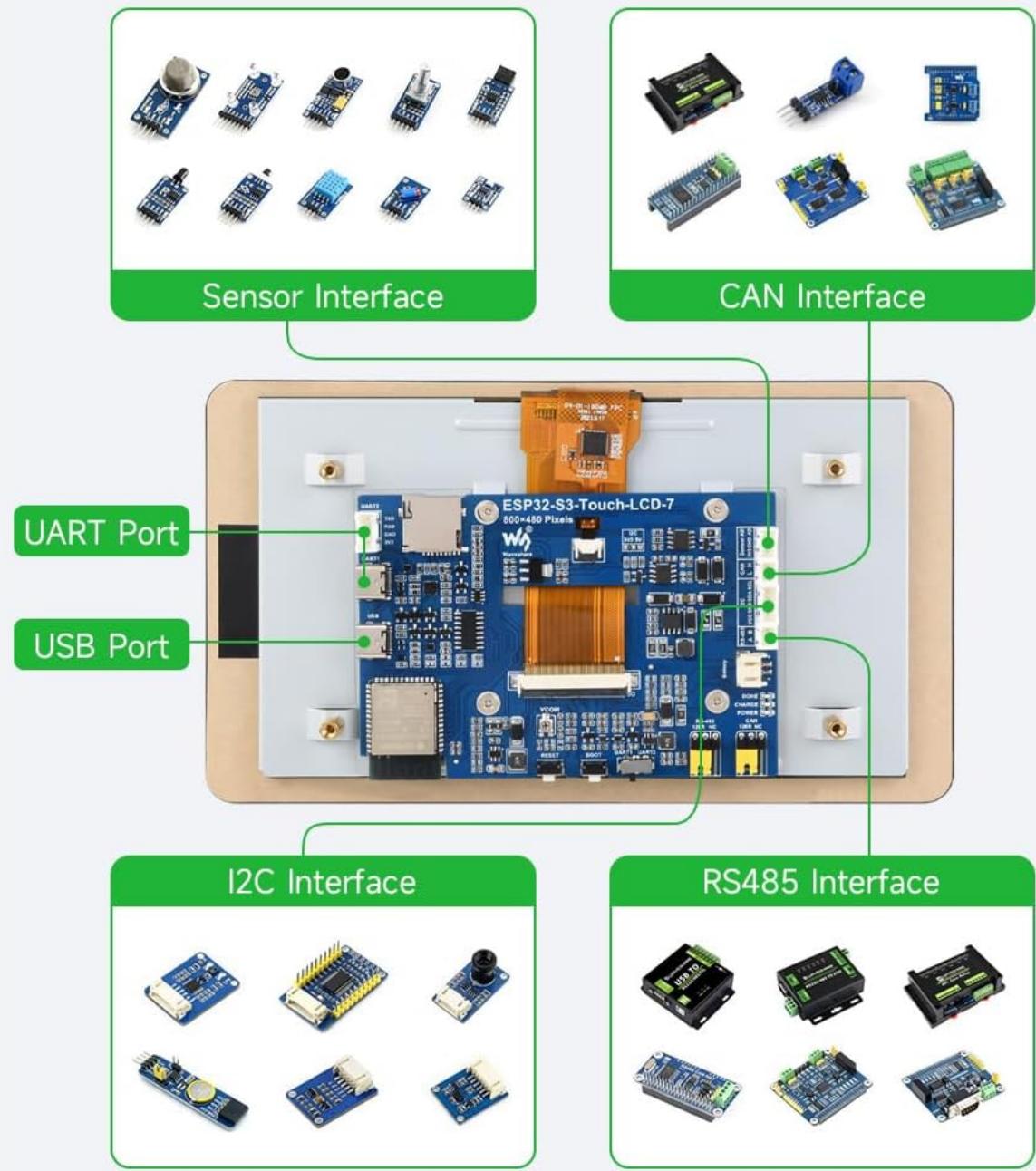
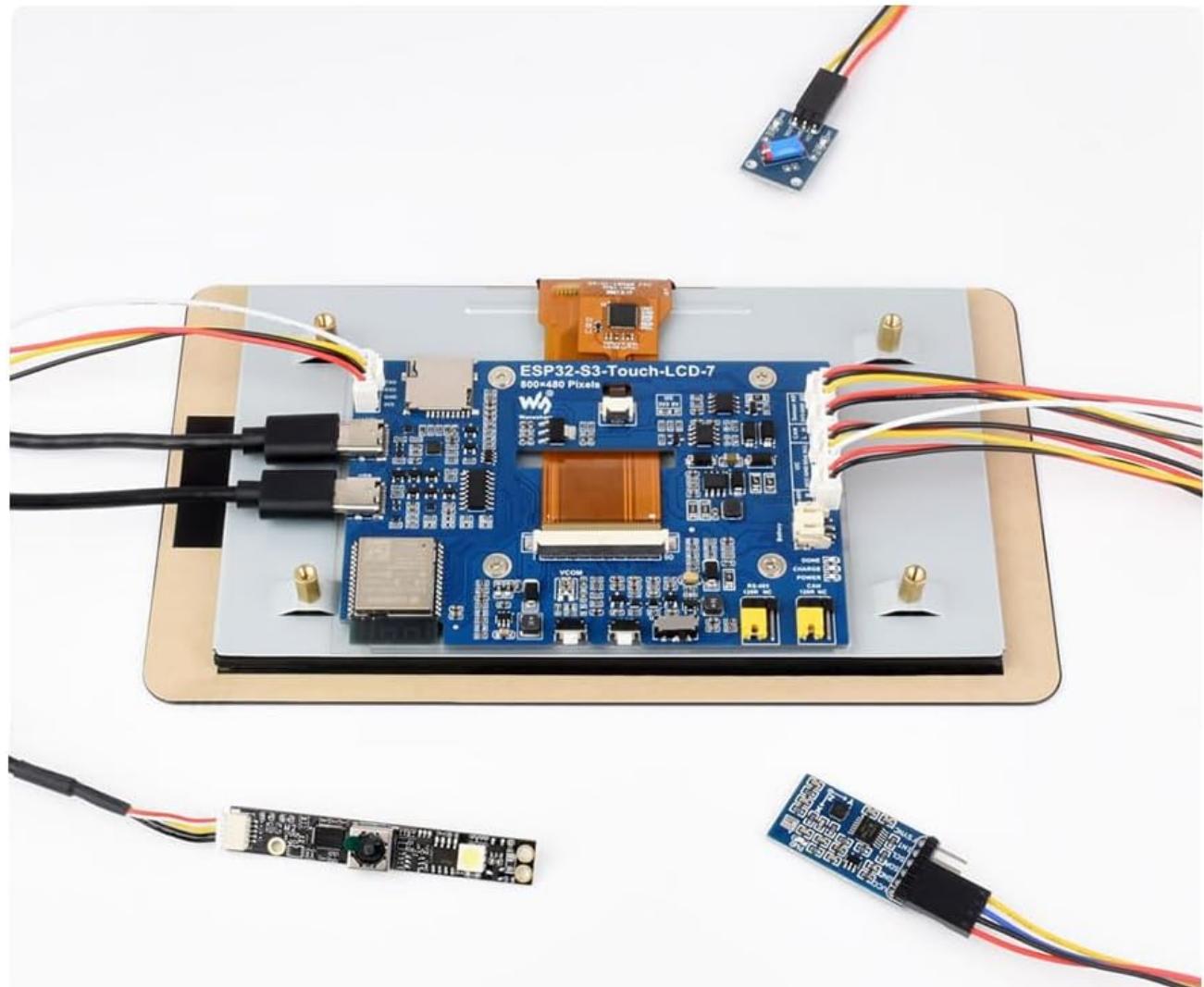


Figure 6: The ESP32-S3 board supporting multiple peripherals.

Application Example



for reference only, please refer to the Package Content for the detailed part list

Figure 7: An example of the ESP32-S3 board in an application setup.

6. MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Waveshare ESP32-S3 7inch Capacitive Touch Screen Development Board, follow these maintenance guidelines:

- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the screen and board. Avoid abrasive materials or harsh chemicals that could damage the components or screen coating.
- **Storage:** Store the board in a cool, dry environment away from direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, and high humidity.
- **Handling:** Handle the board by its edges to avoid touching sensitive electronic components. Static electricity can damage the board, so use anti-static precautions when necessary.
- **Power Supply:** Always use a stable and appropriate power supply as specified in the documentation to prevent damage.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues and their potential solutions:

- **CAN reception failure:**
 - Restart the COM port in UCANV2.0.exe and press the ESP32-S3-Touch-LCD-7 reset button multiple times.
 - Uncheck DTR and RTS in the serial port debugging assistant.
- **No screen response after uploading an Arduino demo for RGB screen displaying:**
 - Check whether the correct configurations are set in Arduino IDE -> Tools. Ensure 'Flash (8MB)' and 'PSRAM (8MB OPI)' are enabled.
- **Fails to compile an Arduino demo for the RGB screen and shows errors:**
 - Verify that the ESP32-S3-Touch-LCD-7_libraries are correctly installed. Refer to the installation steps in Section 4.2.

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information, technical support, and additional resources, please visit the official Waveshare website or contact their customer service. Keep your purchase receipt for any warranty claims.