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PREFACE



This manual provides general information, installation instructions, programming information, principles of operation, and service information for the iSBX 270 Multimodule Video Display Terminal Controller board. Additional information is available in the following documents.

•Intel iSBX Bus Specification, Order Number: 142686.

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CHAPTER 1 GENERAL INFORMATION

1-1. INTRODUCTION

The iSBX 270 Multimodule Video Display Terminal Controller (VDTC) is a member of Intel's growing line of expansion boards designed to augment the iSBC microcomputers. The iSBX 270 VDTC board provides a video interface for iSBC boards that support the iSBX Multimodule concept.

A keyboard interface is also provided that accepts up to eight parallel data lines and one strobe. In addition a light pen may be connected to the module, allowing the user to read the coordinates of the light pen target.

1-2. DESCRIPTION

The Multimodule board, shown in Figure 1-1, is designed to plug into any iSBC microcomputer that contains an iSBX connector.

The iSBX 270 Multimodule Video Display Terminal Controller (VDTC) is a double wide Multimodule expansion board that will interface to most black and white and RGB color display monitors. The interface provides a display of 25 lines of 80 characters each. Each character is formed on a 7 X 9 matrix (default). When driving a black and white display monitor, two intensity levels may be displayed. When driving a color display monitor, up to eight colors (seven colors and black) may be displayed.

The board is controlled by an 8041A/8741A Universal Peripheral interface 8-bit microcomputer (UPI). The UPI contains the firmware that controls all onboard functions. In addition the UPI is the interface to the iSBX bus. The iSBX 270 VDTC board contains 4K bytes of memory which is used for storing all characters that are to be displayed.

1-3. EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED

The following is supplied with the iSBX 270 VDTC board.

Schematic Diagram

Three nylon spacers Six nylon screws

1-4. COMPATIBLE EQUIPMENT

The iSBX 270 VDTC Multimodule board must be used with a microcomputer that includes an iSBX bus connecter.

Signals from the Multimodule board are accesible to the video terminal and keyboard by means of the keyboard interface connector (J1) and the CRT interface connector (J2).

1-5. SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications for the iSBX 270 VDTC board are listed in Table 1-1.

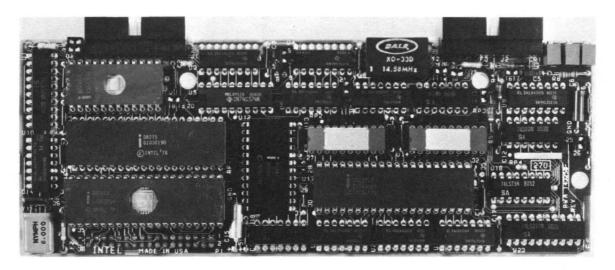


Figure 1-1. iSBX 270™ VDTC Board

Table 1-1. Specifications

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTCS:

Width:

7.82 cm (3.08 inches)

Length:

19.05 cm (7.50 inches)

Height:

2.05 cm (0.80 inches) iSBX 270 VDTC board only. 2.90 cm (1.14 inches) iSBX 270 VDTC board and iSBC base board.

Weight:

175.54 gm (6.19 oz.)

ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Operating Temperature:

0° to 55° C (32° to 131° F).

Relative Humidity:

To 95% without condensation.

POWER REQUIREMENTS:

 V_{CC} = +5 \pm 5% $V_{CC} = 1.3 A$



CHAPTER 2 PREPARATION FOR USE

2-1. INTRODUCTION

This chapter provides instructions for installing the iSBX 270 VDTC board. These instructions include unpacking and inspection; installation considerations such as physical dimensions, power requirements, cooling, and mounting requirements; jumper configurations; ac and dc characteristics; connector assignments; and installation procedures.

2-2. UNPACKING AND INSPECTION

Inspect the shipping carton immediately upon receipt for evidence of mishandling during transit. If the shipping carton is severely damaged or waterstained, request that the carrier's agent be present when the carton is opened. If the carrier's agent is not present when the carton is opened and the contents are damaged, keep the carton and packing material for the agent's inspection.

For repairs to a product damaged in shipment contact the Intel Product Service HOTLINE to obtain a return authorization number and further instructions (see section 5-2). A purchase order will be required to complete the repair. A copy of the purchase order should be submitted to the carrier with your claim.

2-3. INSTALLATION CONSIDERATIONS

The iSBX 270 VDTC board is designed to mount on an iSBC board that contains a Multimodule connector. Installation considerations such as power, cooling, mounting and physical size requirements, are outlined in the following paragraphs.

CAUTION

Remove power from the system before inserting or removing iSBC or iSBX microcomputer boards into/from a cardcage. Failure to do so could result in damage to the boards.

Do not remove or install board cables with power applied. Removing or installing cables with power applied may cause the iSBX 270 fuses to blow. Fuses are not covered under factory warranty.

2-4. POWER REQUIREMENTS

The board requires +5V (± 0.25 V) at 1.3 A maximum for operation. There is also +5V, +12V, and -12V routed to the keyboard and CRT interface connectors. ny requirements for these supplies must be added to those of the iSBX VDTC board. The current limit for the +5V, +12V, and -12V is 500 mA per supply per connector. The total of all supply currents from the base board must not exceed 3 amps. All the voltages for the iSBX VDTC board are supplied by the base board.

2-5. COOLING REQUIREMENTS

The iSBX 270 VDTC board dissipates 96 gram-calories/minute (0.39 BTU/minute) and adequate circulation of air must be provided to prevent a temperature rise above 55°C (131°F).

2-6. MOUNTING REQUIREMENTS

Figure 2-1 shows the iSBX bus connector and standoff locations. The Multimodule boards will mount onto any iSBC microcomputer containing an iSBX bus connector and the required stand-off holes. The mounting hardware supplied as part of the Multimodule board includes:

- a. 6 nylon screws, 1/4 inch x 6/32, separate from board.
- b. 3 nylon stand-offs, 1/2 inch x 6/32, separate from the board.
- c. 36-pin connector P1, factory-installed onto the board.

NOTE

The Multimodule board, when installed onto a host microcomputer, occupies an additional card slot adjacent to the component side of the host microcomputer in an iSBC 604/614 cardcage.

2-7. PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS

Physical dimensions of the iSBX 270 VDTC board are as follows:

Figure 2-1 shows the physical dimensions and Figure 2-2 shows clearances for an iSBX 270 VDTC board mounted on a host iSBC microcomputer. The dimensions shown in Figure 2-2 are maximum heights.

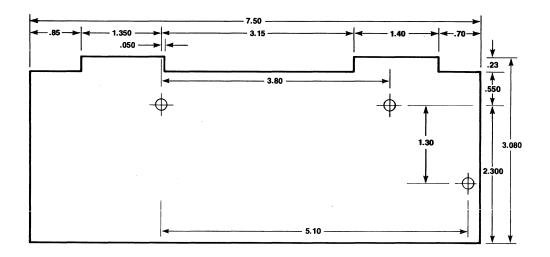


Figure 2-1. Board Dimensions (Inches)

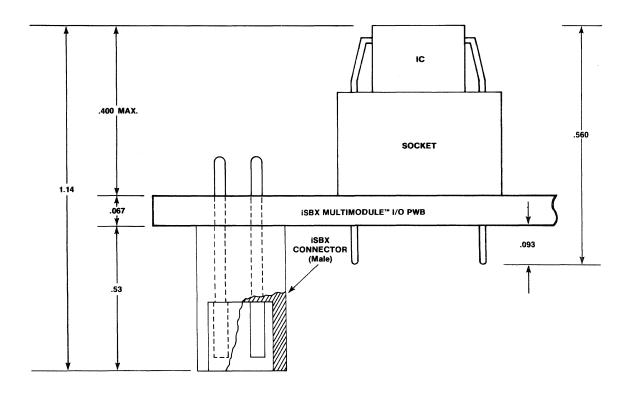


Figure 2-2. Mounting Clearances (Inches)

2-8. iSBX BUS INTERFACE

Connector P1 interfaces all data and control signals between the host iSBC microcomputer and the iSBX

270 VDTC board. The signals found on each pin of the P1 connector are listed in Table 2-1 and descriptions of the signal functions are listed in Table 2-2.

Table 2-1. Connector P1 Pin Assignments

Pin	Mnemonic	Description	Pin	Mnemonic	Description
1	+12	+12 Volts	2	-12V	-12 Volts
3	GND	Signal Ground	4	+5V	+5 Volts
5	RESET	Reset	6	MCLK	M Clock
7	_	Reserved	8	MPST/	iSBX Multimodule Board Present
9	-	Reserved	10	_	Reserved
11	MA0	M Address 0	12	MINTR1	M Interrupt 1
13	IOWRT/	I/O Write Command	14	MINTR0	M Interrupt 0
15	IORD/	I/O Read Command	16	_	Reserved
17	GND	Signal Ground	18	+5V	+5 Volts
19	MD7	MDATA BIT 7	20	_	Reserved
21	MD6	MDATA BIT 6	22	MCS0/	M Chip Select 0
23	MD5	MDATA BIT 5	24	-	Reserved
25	MD4	MDATA BIT 4	26	_	Reserved
27	MD3	MDATA BIT 3	28	OPT1	Option 1
29	MD2	MDATA BIT 2	30	OPT0	Option 0
31	MD1	MDATA BIT 1	32	MDACK/	M DMA Acknowledge
33	MD0	MDATA BIT 0	34	MDRQT	M DMA Request
35	GND	Signal Ground	36	+5V	+5 Volts

All undefined pins are reserved.

Table 2-2. Connector P1 Signal Functions

SIGNAL	DESCRIPTION
IORD/	I/O Read. Indicates that the address lines are valid and that the selected Multimodule should perform a read operation.
IOWRT/	I/O Write. Indicates that the address lines and data are valid and that the selected Multimodule board should perform a write operation.
MA0	Address. This address line, in conjunction with the chip select line, establishes the I/O port address being accessed.
MCLK	Clock. Timing signal from the base board (10MHz+0, -10%).
MCS0/	Chip Select. This chip select line, in conjunction with the address line line, establishes the I/O port address being accessed.
MD0-MD7	Data. These 8 bidirectional data lines transmit and receive data to or from the Multimodule port. BD7 is the most-significant bit.
MDACK/	DMA Acknowledge. Signal from the base board DMA device acknowledging that the requested DMA cycle has been granted.
MDRQT	DMA Request. These two lines transmit interrupt requests to the base board.
MINTRO- MINTR1	Interrupt Request. These two lines transmit interrupt requests to the base board.
MPST/	iSBX Multimodule Board Present. Indicates to the base board that the iSBX Multimodule board is attached.
OPT0- OPT1	Option Lines. These two lines are for any unique requirements that the user may have for communication between the base board and the Multimodule board. On the iSBX 270 board, these lines are routed to the J1 connector.
RESET	Reset. Resets the Multimodule board to a known internal state.

The dc characteristics of the iSBX Bus interface signals are provided in Table 2-3. The ac characteristics of the iSBX Bus interface signals are provided in

Table 2-4. The timing diagrams for the ac characteristics are shown in figures 2-3 through Figure 2-6.

Table 2-3. iSBX Bus Interface DC Characteristics

Signals	Symbol	Parameter Description	Test Conditions	Min.	Max.	Units
IORD/,	VIL	Input Low Voltage			0.8	С
IOWRT/	ViH	Input High Voltage		2.0		V
	VIL	Input Current at LOW V	V _{IN} = 0.4V		-1.0	mA
	lін	Input Current at HIGH V	V _{IN} = 2.4V		100	uA
	*CL	Capacitive Load			40	pF
MA0	VIL	Input Low Voltage			0.8	٧
	ViH	Input High Voltage		2.0		V
	lı.	Input Current at LOW V	V _{IN} = 0.4V		-0.5	mA
	ин	Input Current at HIGH V	V _{IN} = 2.4V		70	uA
	*CL	Capacitive Load			40	pF
MCLK	VıL	Input Low Voltage			0.8	٧
	V _{IH}	Input High Voltage		2.0		V
	lı _L	Input Current at LOW V	V _{IN} = 0.4V	Ī	-2.4	mA
	lін	Input Current at HIGH V	V _{IN} = 2.4 V		100	uA
	*CL	Capacitive Load			40	pF
MCS0/	VIL	Input Low Voltage		0.8	V	
	ViH	Input High Voltage		2.0		v
	l _{IL}	Input Current at LOW V	V _{IN} = 0.4V		-4.0	mA
	l _{IL}	Input Current at HIGH V	V _{IN} = 2.4V		100	uA
	*CL	Capacitive Load			40	pF
MD0-MD7	VoL	Output Low Voltage	I _{OL} = 1.6 mA		0.5	V
	Vон	Output High Voltage	Ioн = -200 uA	2.4		V
	VIL	Input Low Voltage			0.8	v
	ViH	Input High Voltage		2.0		v
	lic.	Input Current at LOW V	V _{IN} = 0.4V		-0.5	mA
	liн	Input Current at HIGH V	V _{IN} = 2.4V		70	uA
	*CL	Capacitive Load Input			40	pF
	*CL	Capacitive Load Output			130	pF
MDACK/	VIL	Input Low Voltage			0.8	v
	ViH	Input High Voltage		2.0		l v
	lı _L	Input Current at LOW V	V _{IN} = 0.4V		-1.0	mA
	liн	Input Current at HIGH V	V _{IN} = 2.4V		100	uA
	*CL	Capacitive Load			40	pF
MDRQT	VoL	Output Low Voltage	I _{OL} = 1.6 mA		0.5	v
	Voн	Output High Voltage	I _{OH} = -50 uA	2.4		V
	*CL	Capacitive Load	\$ \$		40	pF

Table 2-3. iSBX Bus Interface DC Characteristics (Continued)

Signals	Symbol	Parameter Description	Test Conditions	Min.	Max.	Units
MINTRO-	Vol	Output Low Voltage	I _{OL} = 2.0 mA		0.5	٧
MINTR1	Voн	Output High Voltage	Iон = -100 uA	2.4		V
	*CL	Capacitive Load			40	pF
ОРТ0-	VoL	Output Low Voltage	I _{OL} = 1.6 mA		0.5	٧
OPT1**	Vон	Output High Voltage	IoH = -50 uA	2.4		٧
	VIL	Input Low Voltage			0.8	٧
	ViH	Input High Voltage		2.0		٧
	VIL	Input Current at LOW V	V _{IN} = 0.4V		-2.0	mA
	Ин	Input Current at HIGH V	V _{IN} = 2.4V		100	uA
	*C∟	Capacitive Load			40	pF
RESET	VIL	Input Low Voltage			0.8	V
	Vін	Input High Voltage		2.0		V
	l _{fL}	Input Current at LOW V	V _{IN} = 0.4V		-2.1	mA
	liн	Input Current at HIGH V	VIN = 2.4V		40	pF

Table 2-4. iSBX Bus Interface AC Characteristics

Parameter	Min (ns)	Max (ns)	Description
t ₁	50		Address stable before read
t ₂	30		Address stable after read
t3 t4	300 0	250	Read pulse width Data valid from read
t ₅	0	150	Data float after read
t ₆		*	Time between reads or writes
t ₇	25		CS stable before command
t ₈	30		CS stable after command
t ₉	50 Msec]	Power up reset pulse width
t ₁₀	50		Address stable before write
t ₁₁	30		Address stable after write
t ₁₂	300		Write pulse width
t ₁₃	250		Data valid to write
t ₁₄	30		Data valid after write
t ₁₅	100	110	MCLK cycle
t ₁₆	35	65	MCLK width
t ₁₈	10 Msec	1	Reset pulse width
t ₂₀	100		DACK set up to I/O command
t ₂₁	30		DACK hold
t ₂₂		200	Command to RQT removed

^{*} The status register must be checked for IBF low before writing a new command or data byte. The OBF bit of the status register will go active when new data is available to be read.

^{*}Capacitive load values are approximations.
**These are recommended specifications. These lines are user defined, so it is the responsibility of the user to ensure adequate

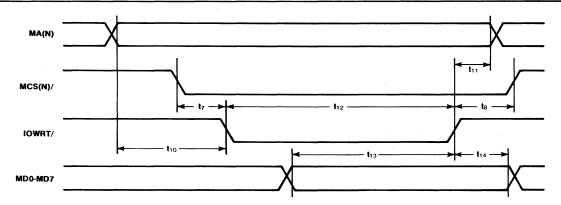


Figure 2-3. iSBX Multimodule Board I/O Write Timing

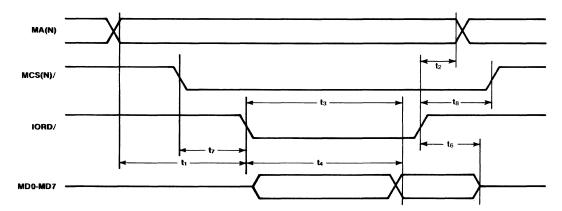


Figure 2-4. iSBX Multimodule Board I/O Read Timing

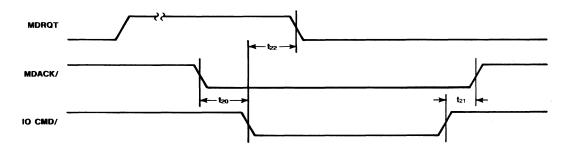


Figure 2-5. iSBX Multimodule Board I/O DMA Timing

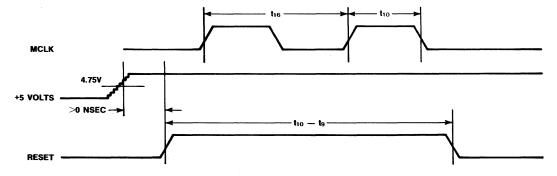


Figure 2-6. iSBX Multimodule Board I/O Reset Timing

2-9. KEYBOARD/LIGHT PEN INTERFACE

Connector J1 on the iSBX 270 VDTC board interfaces all data and control signals between the Multimodule board and the keyboard/light pen. The signals found on each pin of the J1 connector are listed in Table 2-5 and descriptions of the signal functions are listed in Table 2-6.

The dc characteristics of the keyboard/light pen interface signals are provided in Table 2-7. The ac characteristics of the keyboard/light pen interface signals are provided in Table 2-8. The timing diagram for the ac characteristics is shown in Figure 2-7.

2-10. CRT INTERFACE

Connector J2 on the iSBX 270 VDTC board interfaces all data and control signals between the Multimodule board and the CRT. The signals found on each pin of the J2 connector are listed in Table 2-9 and descriptions of the signal functions are listed in Table 2-10.

The dc characteristics of the CRT interface signals are provided in Table 2-11. The ac characteristics of the CRT interface signals are provided in Table 2-12. The timing diagram for the ac characteristics is shown in Figure 2-8.

2-11. JUMPER CONFIGURATION

The iSBX 270 VDTC board contains thirty-seven jumper pads labeled E1 through E37. The functions of each are outlined in the following paragraphs. Table 2-13 lists the jumpers in numerical sequence and identifies the factory default configuration.

2-12. 50/60 HERTZ OPTION. When jumper E27-E28 is not installed, 60 hertz operation is selected. This is the factory default condition utilizing a 14.58 MHz crystal and resulting in 25 character rows, each with 10 raster lines, and a vertical retrace period of 2 character rows.

Pin	Mnemonic	Description	Pin	Mnemonic	Description
1	GND	+Signal Ground	2	+5V	+5 Volts
3	GND	Signal Ground	4	+5V	+5 Volts
5	GND	Signal Ground	6	LPEN	Light Pen Detected
7	GND	Signal Ground	8	BSTB/	Bell Strobe
9	GND	Signal Ground	10	KEYACK/	Keyboard Acknowledge
11	GND	Signal Ground	12	STROBE/	Keyboard Data Strobe
13	GND	Signal Ground	14	CNTL0	Control 0
15	KBRST/	Keyboard Reset	16	CNTL1	Control 1
17	B6	Keyboard Bit 6	18	B4	Keyboard Bit 4
19	B2	Keyboard Bit 2	20	В0	Keyboard Bit 0
21	B7	Keyboard Bit 7	22	B5	Keyboard Bit 5
23	B3	Keyboard Bit 3	24	+12V	+12 Volts
25	-12V	−12 Volts	26	B1	Keyboard Bit 1

Table 2-5. Connector J1 Pin Assignments

Table 2-6. Connector J1 Signal Functions

SIGNAL	DESCRIPTION
B0-B7	Data. Keyboard data from the keyboard to the iSBX Multimodule VDTC board. B7 is the most significant bit.
BSTB/	Bell Strobe. Signal to activate the external bell circuit.
CNTL0- CNTL1	Optional Control Lines. These two optional control lines are available for use by the user. These lines correspond to OPT0 and OPT1, respectively, on the iSBX Bus interface.
KBRST/	Reset. Resets the keyboard to a known internal state.
KEYACK	Keyboard Acknowledge. Indicates that the iSBX Multimodule VDTC board has accepted the previous keyboard data character from the keyboard latch.
LPEN	Light Pen. Indicates to the iSBX Multimodule VDTC board that a light pen pulse has been detected. Triggered on rising edge.
STROBE/	Data Strobe. Indicates that the data from the keyboard is valid.

Table 2-7. Keyboard/Light Pen Interface DC Characteristics

Signals	Symbol	Parameter Description	Test Conditions	Min.	Max.	Units
B0-B7	VIL	Input Low Voltage			0.8	V
	Vін	Input High Voltage		2.0		V.
	VIL	Input Current at LOW V	V _{IN} = 0.8V		-0.4	mA
	Iн	Input Current at HIGH V	V _{IN} = 2.7V		20	uA
	*CL	Capacitive Load			40	pF
BSTB/,	Vol	Output Low Voltage	I _{OL} = 4.5 mA			0.45 V
KEYACK/	Voн	Output High Voltage	I _{OH} = 200 uA	2.4		V
	*CL	Capacitive Load			40	pF
KBRST	Vol	Output Low Voltage	I _{OL} = 2.5 mA		0.4	V
	Voн	Output High Voltage	I _{OH} = -500 uA	4.0		V
	*CL	Capacitive Load			40	pF
KPEN,	VIL	Input Low Voltage		0.8	V	
STROBE	ViH	Input High Voltage		2.0		V
	l lic.	Input Current at LOW V	V _{IN} = 0.8V		-1.5	mA
	lıL	Input Current at HIGH V	V _{IN} = 2.7V		30	uA
ì	*CL	Capacitive Load			40	pF

Table 2-8. Keyboard/Light Pen Interface AC Characteristics

Parameter	Min (ns)	Max (ns)	Description	
, t ₁	20		Data setup to strobe	
t ₂	15		Data hold from strobe	
t3 t4	500 20 Msec		Strobe pulse width Strobe pulse separation	
t ₅	5 usec		Bell pulse width	
t ₆	5 usec		KEYACK pulse width	
t ₇	0		KEYACK to strobe setup	
t ₈		50	Light pen rise time	
t ₉	100		Light pen hold time	
t ₁₀	10 Msec		Keyboard reset pulse width	

Table 2-9. Connector J2 Pin Assignments

Pin	Mnemonic	Description	Pin	Mnemonic	Description
1	TP1	Test Point	2	-12V	-12 Volts
3	TP2	Test Point	4	+5V	+5 Volts
5	TP3	Test Point	6	+5V	+5 Volts
7	GND	Signal Ground	8	+12V	+12 Volts
9	GND	Signal Ground	10	A VIDEO	1
11	GND	Signal Ground	12	G VIDEO	
13	GND	Signal Ground	14	B VIDEO	
15	GND	Signal Ground	16	R VIDEO	
17	GND	Signal Ground	18	HSYNC	
19	GND	Signal Ground	20	GPA1	
21	GND	Signal Ground	22	HLGT	
23	GND	Signal Ground	24	VSYNC/	
25	GND	Signal Ground	26	GPA0	,

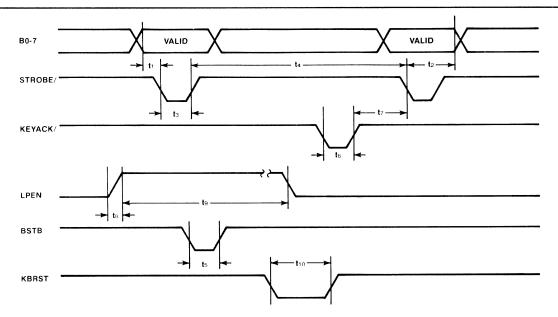


Figure 2-7. Keyboard/Light Pen Interface Timing

Table 2-10. Connector J2 Signal Functions

SIGNAL	DESCRIPTION
B VIDEO	Blue Video. This signal is the blue video gun driver signal.
G VIDEO	Green Video. This signal is the green video gun driver signal.
GPA0-GPA1	General Purpose Attribute. These signals indicate to the CRT that the general purpose attribute is active.
HLGT	Highlight. This signal indicates to the CRT that the highlight attribute is active.
HSYNC	Horizontal Sync. This signal synchronizes the horizontal retrace on the CRT.
R VIDEO	Red Video. This signal is the red video gun driver signal.
A VIDEO	Adjustable Video. The adjustable-contrast video signal that is fed to most black and white monitors.
VSYNC/	Vertical Sync. This signal synchronizes the vertical retrace on the CRT.

Table 2-11. CRT Interface DC Characteristics

Signals	Symbol	Parameter Description	Test Conditions	Min.	Max.	Units
B VIDEO,	Vol	Output Low Voltage	I _{OL} = 48 mA		0.4	٧
G VIDEO,	Voн	Output High Voltage	Iон = -13 mA	2.4		V
R VIDEO, HSYNC	*CL	Capacitive Load			40	pF
GPA0-, GPA1, HLGT, VSYNC/	Vol Voh *Cl	Output Low Voltage Output High Voltage Capacitive Load	I _{OL} = 17 mA I _{OH} = 6 mA	2.4	0.5 40	V V pF
A VIDEO**	V _{OH} *CL	Output High Voltage Capacitive Load	R _L = 120 ohms	0	3.0 40	V pF

^{*}Capacitive load values are approximations.
**The high-level output voltage is adjustable over the range shown with the contrast trim pot.

Table 2-12. CRT Interface AC Characteristics

Parameter	Min (ns)	Max (ns)	Тур	Unit	Description	Notes
t ₁			88 77 66 64	nS nS nS nS	Dot pulse width	1 2 3 4,5
t2 t3	4.5 135	23 186	160	uS uS	Horiz sync width Vert sync width	6
t4	11.33 12.95 14.57 15.65	11.35 12.97 14.59 15.69 13.72	11.34 12.96 14.58 15.67	MHz MHz MHz MHz MHz	Video dot rate	1 2 3 4,5 7
t ₅	16.18 19.18	16.22 19.22	16.20 19.20	KHz KHz	Horiz scan rate	1,2,3 4,5

- Y2 = 11.34 MHz (5x7 dot matrix) Y2 = 12.96 MHz (6x8 dot matrix) Y2 = 14.58 MHz (7x9 dot matrix) Y2 = 15.67 MHz (6x8 dot matrix)

- For use with high resolution monitors
- The horizontal sync pulse width is adjustable, over the range show, with the horizontal sync pulse width trim pot. This is the highest allowable video rate.

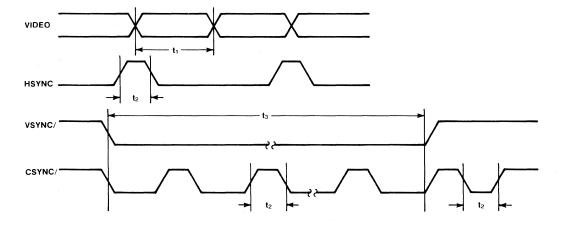


Figure 2-8. CRT Interface Timing

Table 2-13. Jumper Options

Jumper Installed	Function	Logic Ref.			
E1-E2*, E3-E4*	Active low keyboard strobe	3ZC7			
E1-E3, E2-E4	Active high keyboard strobe	3ZC7			
E5-E7, E8-E9	Creates a 6 x 8 character matrix	3ZA7			
E6-E7*	Creates a 7 x 9 character matrix	3ZA7			
E8-E9	Creates a 5 x 7 character matrix	3ZA7			
E10-E11	Creates an active low combined sync	3ZA2			
E11-E12*	Causes HSYNC to be active high	3ZA2			
E11-E12 (Jumper out)	Causes HSYNC to be active low	3ZA2			
E13-E14*	Causes VSYNC to be active low	3ZA4			
E14-E15	Causes VSYNC to be active high	3ZA4			
E16-E17*, E23-E24*	Enables black and white with dual density	3ZB2			
E18-E19*	For 2716 type character generator	3ZC5			
E19-E20	For 2732A type charcter generator	3ZC5			
E21-E22*	Enable black and white	3ZB4			
E21-E22 (Jumper out)	Enable color	3ZB4			
E25-E26*	Normal VSYNC	3ZA4			
E25-E26 (Jumper out)	Extended VSYNC	3ZA4			
E27-E28	50 hertz operation	2ZC6			
E27-E28 (Jumper out)*	60 hertz operation	2ZC6			
*Factory configuration.					

When jumper E27-E28 is installed, 50 hertz operation is selected. This option will produce 25 character rows, each with 11 raster lines and a vertical retrace period of 4 character rows. The mode of operation (50 or 60 hertz) is sampled whenever the board is reset.

The polarity of the strobe signal from the keyboard may be selected by the user. The factory default includes jumpers at E1-E2 and E3-E4. This configuration will support active-low strobe signals (negative logic).

If an active-high strobe is to be used (positive logic), the jumpers must be changed to E1-E3 and E2-E4.

2-13. KEYBOARD STROBE SIGNAL POLARITY.

The polarity of the strobe signal from the keyboard may be selected by the user. The factory default includes jumpers at E1-E2 and E3-E4. This configuration will support active-low strobe signals (negative logic).

If an active-high strobe is to be used (positive logic), the jumpers must be changed to E1-E3 and E2-E4.

2-14. KEYBOARD CONTROL LINES. Two control lines are connected to the OPT 0 and OPT 1 signals from the iSBX bus interface for visual or audio indicators on the keyboard. These lines are unbuffered and must be driven from a source on the host iSBC board.

Two jumper pins (E37 for Opt 0, E36 for Opt 1) are connected to the option lines to allow the user to pass signals on the iSBX 270 board down to the host processor board. For example, a 60 Hz interrupt signal which is synchronous with vertical retrace may be sent to the base board by connecting pin E14 to one of the option pins. The user would then wire the option pin on the base board into the interrupt controller.

2-15. OPTIONAL CHARACTER GENERATOR.

When the factory supplied 2716-1 character generator is replaced by a user-supplied and programmed 2732A, jumper E18-E19 must be removed and jumper E19-E20 must be installed. The 2732A font is selected by placing the appropriate attribute code in the display memory preceding the data to be displayed. When the 2732A character generator is used, GPA0 can no longer independently control the green video. This limits the output to four colors.

2-16. CLOCK GENERATOR. The iSBX 270 VDTC board will support three sizes of character blocks: 7×10 (for 5×7 characters); 8×10 (for 6×8 characters); or 9×10 (for 7×9 characters). In addition, the iSBX 270 VDTC board will support monitors with a standard 15.75 KHz horizontal rate or high resolution monitors with a 19.2 KHz horizontal rate. The required crystal frequencies and jumper configurations are shown in Table 2-14.

Char Block Size	Char Format	Jumper Connections	Horiz Rate	Y2 Crystal Frequency	Notes
7 X 10	5x7	E8-E9	16.2KHz	11.34MHz	2, 3
8 X 10	6x8	E5-E7, E8-E9	16.2KHz	12.96MHz	2, 3
8 X 10	6x8	E5-E7, E8-E9	19.2KHz	15.67MHz	2, 3, 4
9 X 10	7x9	E6-E7	16.2KHz	14.58MHz	1

Table 2-14. Clock Generator Options

NOTES:

- 1. Factory Default.
- 2. Replacement crystal user-supplied.
- 3. Also requires replacement of character generator PROM with a user-supplied and programmed PROM.
- 4. For use with high resolution monitors.

2-17. VIDEO OUTPUT SIGNAL. A variable contrast video signal (A video) is obtained with jumper E21-E22 (factory default), with the contrast adjustment provided onboard (R2). Two levels of intensity (highlight), are supplied by jumpers E16-E17 and E23-E24. This is the factory default and will interface directly with most OEM black-and-white display monitors. The difference between highlighted and normal characters may be adjusted with onboard potentiometer R1.

If RGB (red, green, blue) color operation is desired, jumpers E16-E17, E21-E22, and E23-E24 must be removed. This allows the video signal to be combined with attribute signals to create red, green, and blue video signals. No contrast adjustment is provided with this configuration.

2-18. HORIZONTAL SYNC. Horizontal sync (HYSNC) is normally active high with jumper E13-E14 installed. It may be inverted to active low by removing jumper E11-E12. An active low combined sync (VSYNC XORed with HSYNC) may be obtained by adding jumper E10-E11 (jumper E13-E14 must be installed). Combined sync must be used with RGB color display monitors.

The pulse width of the horizontal sync signal is variable from $4.5 \,\mu s$ to $23 \,\mu s$ with trim potentiometer R3.

2-19. VERTICAL SYNC. Vertical sync (VYSNC) is normally active low with jumper E13-E14 installed. It may be inverted to active high by removing jumper E13-E14 and adding jumper E14-E15. The vertical sync pulse width may be changed with jumper E25-E26. When this jumper is installed (factory default), the vertical sync pulse width will nominally be $160 \, \mu \text{s}$ (for use with standard monitors). When this jumper is removed, the vertical sync pulse width will be extended to approximatly $570 \, \mu \text{s}$ (for use with high resolution monitors).

2-20. MULTIMODULE INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

The iSBX 270 VDTC board mounts onto the host iSBC board (that has a Multimodule connector) as follows:

a. With the nylon 1/4 inch x 6/32 screws, secure the 1/2 inch plastic spacers (3) to the host iSBC board as shown in Figure 2-14.



Do not overtighten screws as damage to the board could result.

- Locate pin 1 of the iSBX bus connector (P1) and align it with pin 1 of the Multimodule connector on the host iSBC board.
- Align the Multimodule mounting holes with the spacers on the host iSBC board; reference Figure 2-1 for hole locations.
- d. Gently press the two boards together until the connector seats.
- e. Secure the Multimodule board to the top of the spacers with the remaining 1/2 inch x 6/32 screws.

NOTE

The placement of an installed Multimodule board and the host board connector number may vary according to the type of host iSBC board that is used.

2-21. CRT AND KEYBOARD INSTALLATION

The CRT is connected to the iSBX Multimodule board via a user supplied cable that connects to J2. The keyboard is connected to the iSBX Multimodule board via a user supplied cable that connects to J1. The make up of these cables depends on the manufacturer and type of CRT and keyboard attached. Appendix B lists the pinout and other cable information for some of the common CRTs and keyboards. Table 2-15 lists the part number and the manufacturer for some connectors that will attach to J1 and J2.

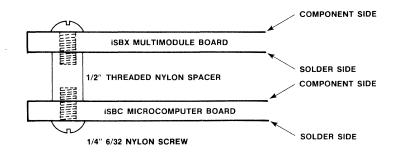


Figure 2-9. Mounting Technique

Table 2-15. CRT and Keyboard Connectors

Connector	No. of Pairs/ Pins	Connector Type	Vendor	Vendor Part No.
J1,J2	13/26	Wire Type	BERG	65043
J1,J2	13/26	Wire Type (Keyed)	BERG	65846-819
J1,J2	13/26	Flat-cable	BERG	65485-011
J1,J2	13/26	Flat-cable (Keyed)	BERG	65847-027
J1,J2	13/26	Flat Cable	3M	3399

NOTE:

It is recommended that the keyed connectors be used to prevent the connectors from being inserted upside down.

2-22. CABLING

The signals provided by the iSBX 270 VDTC board while in B & W mode are standard TTL signals. For optimum display quality, the cables for the video, VSYNC, and HSYNC signals should be twisted pairs (with ground) with an impedance of approximately 120 ohms. The video line should be terminated at the display monitor with a load of 120 ohms. The cable length should be limited to about 5 feet.

When operating in color mode, the cables should be 75 ohm coax and must be terminated with a 75 ohm load. Cable lengths of more than 15 feet have been used with no problems.

The Keyboard cable is non-critical, with either twisted pair or flat cable being satisfactory. However, due to the susceptibility of keyboards to electro static discharge (ESD), the user must ensure that the frame of the keyboard is properly grounded with a braided heavy-gauge cable back to the main system chassis. A shield on the keyboard signal cable is also advisable.

The Light Pen is also particularly susceptible to ESD, both from the user, and from the surface of the CRT screen. Again, the user should provide a heavy gauge ground to the case of the Light Pen, and the cables should be shielded.



CHAPTER 3 PROGRAMMING INFORMATION

3-1. INTRODUCTION

This chapter provides the programming information for the iSBX 270 VDTC board. All on-board functions are controlled by firmware contained in a factory-supplied UPI (8041A/8741A). Consequently, the programming description will be limited to the user interface via the iSBX bus. There are four types of operations that can be performed with the iSBX 270 VDTC board: Write Data, Write Command, Read Data and Read Status.

3-2. INITIALIZATION

On power-up or following a hardware or software Reset, the iSBX 270 VDTC board is configured for 25 rows of 80 characters each. The keyboard and light pen interfaces are disabled. The iSBX Bus DMA transfer and interrupt signals are also disabled. The entire screen is cleared to spaces, a blinking-underline cursor is placed in the upper left-hand corner (Home), and the iSBX 270 VDTC board will be placed in scroll mode (non-transparent attributes). Following this automatic initialization, data, commad, or status transfers may take place.

3-3. READ STATUS

The status of the iSBX 270 VDTC board may be read at any time to determine its state. This is done by performing an I/O Read to the status port (Base + 1) here. The following diagram defines the status byte.

MSB LS							LSB		
	В	E	K	L	R	R	I	О	

- O = Output Buffer Full When set to 1, indicates that data is available in the data port. This bit is cleared when the host processor reads the data port.
- I = Input Buffer Full When set to 1, indicates that the input buffer to the iSBX 270 VDTC board is full - that is, it has not yet been accepted by the board. The host processor should wait for a zero in this bit before writing another command or data byte to the board.
- R = Reserved. When set to 1, Should be masked off by the user's program.

- L = Light Pen Data Ready When set to 1, indicates that a light pen hit has been detected and that the coordinates will be available on the Data port. This bit is reset at the completion of reading the light pen coordinates.
- K = Keyboard Data Ready When set to 1, indicates that a keyboard hit has been detected and that the data will be available on the Data port. This bit is reset at the completion of reading the keyboard data byte.
- E = VDTC Error When set to 1, indicates an error has occurred on the iSBX 270 VDTC board. The command Read Error Status should be given to obtain more detail. This bit is reset upon completion of the Read Error Status command.
- B = VDTC Busy When set to 1, indicates that the iSBX 270 VDTC board is in the process of executing a command and any data read or written will be interpreted as parameters. This bit is reset when the command is completed.

A special condition may occur with the O bit of the status word. Normally, the Output Buffer Full (OBF) bit will set in response to a command in which parameters must be read by the host processor. In this case, the B bit (VDTC Busy-command in progress) will also be set.

If either the Keyboard or Light Pen interfaces (or both) are enabled, a data byte will be written to the output buffer when a hit has been detected on either interface. This allows the generation of an interrupt on a Keyboard or Light Pen hit if interrupts are enabled. This sequence will be indicated with a O bit = 1 and a B bit = 0. When this condition is detected, the user should note which interface is ready (Keyboard or Light Pen) through the status bits, read the data port to clear the O bit and the interrupt, and obtain the interface data. Two interrupts will occur in the case of the Light Pen interface: one for the X coordinate and one for the Y coordinate. See paragraph 3-18 for details on interrupts.

3-4. WRITE DATA

All data is written to I/O address Base + 0 where Base is the base address for the module, as determine by the host board. After initialization, data may be displayed by simply writing to the data port. The display will begin in the home position and proceed left-to-right until the end of the line or a control code

is encountered. At the end of a line, an automatic carriage return/line feed will occur and the next character will be placed at the beginning of the following line. The internal memory and cursor position pointers are automatically incremented.

In addition to the normal upper and lower case alphanumeric characters, several graphic characters may be displayed by writing control codes which are otherwise unused by the iSBX 270 VDTC board. An even greater number of graphic characters may be obtained by proceeding certain control codes with a lead-in character. A lead-in character is also used to

create Escape Sequences for special control applications. Table 3-1 summarizes the ASCII codes and displayed characters. Table 3-2 lists the graphic characters codes and shows the resulting graphic character. Table 3-3 lists the escape sequences for special control codes. Table 3-11 gives a routine to display all valid characters.

As shown in Table 3-1, there are a group of codes reserved for attributes which determine the characteristics of the display following the code, up to another attribute code or the end of the screen. The bit assignment of these attribute codes are as follows:

Table 3-1. ASCII Code Assignment

ASCII Data (HEX)	Displayed* Character	ASCII Data (HEX)	Displayed* Character	ASCII Data (HEX)	Displayed* Character
00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	None GC1 GC2 GC3 GC4 GC5 GC6 Bell Back Space GC9 Line Feed GC11 GC12 Carriage Ret GC14 GC15 Right Cursor GC lead-in GC18 GC19 GC20 GC21 GC22 GC23 GC24 GC25 GC26 Escape GC28 GC29 GC30 GC31 Space (blank) ! " # \$ % & * (()) * +	2C DE F 0 1 2 3 3 3 3 3 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F 0 1 2 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	·- · / 0123456789	58 59 5A 5B 5C 5E 60 61 62 63 64 66 66 67 68 68 68 68 68 68 69 68 68 68 68 68 77 77 78 78 78 78 78 78 78 78 78 78 78	X Y Z [] a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z { ! ! } GC32 Attributes Illegal**

NOTES:

*GC=Graphic Character (see Table 3-2)

^{**}Any character in the range of C0-FF is illegal and MUST NOT be given to the iSBX 270 VDTC board or an undefined operation may occur.

Table 3-2. Graphic Characters

Graphics Character	Code	Display	Graphics Character	Code	Display
0*	00	\square	17*	11	
1	01		18	12	
2	02	\boxtimes	19	13	
3	03		20	14	
4	04	<u> </u>	21	15	
5	05		22	16	
6	06	5.	23	17	
7*	07	巴	24	18	
8*	08		25	19	
9*	09	oxdot	26	1A	
10*	0A	Œ	27*	1B	
11	0B	$oxed{f f H}$	28	1C	
12	0C	\Box	29	1D	\bowtie
13*	0D	oxplus	30	1E	\triangleright
14	0E		31	1F	
15	0F		32	7F	
16*	10				

NOTE:

All graphic character codes may be preceeded with a lead-in code of 11H. Those graphic characters marked with an asterisk require a lead-in of 11H.

Table 3-3. Escape Sequences

ASCII Code	Action
08H	Left Cursor
0BH	Down Cursor
0CH	Up Cursor
0FH	Clear to End of Line from current cursor position
10H	Right Cursor
12H	Home Cursor
18H	Clear to End of Screen from current cursor position

NOTE:

All codes require a lead-in of 1BH. For any other code following a lead-in of 1BH, the escape sequence is ignored.

MS	MSB							
1	0	В5	B4	В3	B2	B1	В0	

where:

- B0: Highlight or Red Video off
- B1: Blink
- B2: GPA0, Green Video off, or select alternate character font (with user-supplied character generator PROM)
- B3: GPA1 or Blue Video off
- B4: Reverse Video
- B5: Underline

NOTE

A one in any of the bit positions activates the indicated characteristic.

Note that while operating with a color monitor, the initial color displayed is white. As attribute bits are set, the colors are removed or turned off. If all color attribute bits are set, black (no display) will be selected. Table 3-4 lists the attribute codes for the various colors.

Some commands require parameters to be written to the iSBX 270 VDTC board through the data port (Base + 0). After all required parameters have been written, the iSBX 270 VDTC board will revert to accepting data for display via the data port.

Data written to the iSBX 270 VDTC board will be displayed in one of two modes: Scroll or Page.

Table 3-4. Attribute Codes for Color Selection

Color	Attribute
White Red Green Blue Magenta Cyan Yellow Black	None or 80H 8CH 89H 85H 84H 81H 88H 8DH

NOTE:

Other attribute codes may be combined with the above codes by O Ring the appropriate bit pattern.

3-5. SCROLL MODE DISPLAY

This mode is normally used for simple alphanumeric character display. Characters will be displayed starting on the top line, proceeding left to right until a carriage return and/or line feed is received (or the end of the line is reached). The next line down will not be cleared, but data will be written over any existing characters (normally there will be none since the screen is cleared on power up). When the last character position in the bottom right-hand corner of the screen is filled or a line feed on the last line takes place, the entire display is moved up one line. The bottom line is cleared and the data on the top line is moved off the screen. All data entry after this will take place on the bottom line, with the display moving up one line for every line feed. Data previously scrolled off the screen is lost.

While in scroll mode, any attributes written to the display will take up one character position on the screen and be displayed as a blank. Thus if an alternate character font or different colors are to be displayed, each change will be separated by a space on the screen. Care must be exercised in specifing attributes that effect more than one line. As the display is scrolled, the attribute may be moved off the screen and its effect lost for subsequent lines.

3-6. PAGE MODE DISPLAY

If Page Mode is selected by means of the Set VDTC Mode command, data display will begin as in scroll mode; however when the last line is reached, the display will not move up. Characters written after the last character position on the screen will be lost. While in this mode, the iSBX 270 VDTC board will not clear any lines, therefore the user must pad any short lines with spaces to ensure that the previous data is cleared.

Attributes are invisible in this mode, allowing the user to change colors or character fonts without spaces being displayed on the screen. This mode is especially useful for displaying graphics. The maximum number of attributes per line is 16 and two attributes may not be adjacent. Because it is not practical for the iSBX 270 VDTC board to keep track of all the attributes on the screen, the iSBX 270 VDTC board may not properly move the cursor to the display position that the memory pointer is addressing. It is the responsibility of the user program on the host board to either disable the cursor or keep track of the memory pointer address to cursor position mapping. If this mapping is done, the Set Cursor Position command should be executed first to properly position the cursor, then the Set Memory Pointer command should be executed to point to the corresponding display memory address. Most of the cursor move commands (Left, Right, Up, Down, Carriage Return, Line Feed and Clear to End of Line) will not operate properly because of the invisible attributes and should not be used while in Page Mode. In order to ensure proper data entry, the user should send a Home Cursor escape sequence before writing a new page of data. Clear to End of Screen may be used to clear old data before displaying new data.

3-7. COMMANDS

Eight commands are implemented by the iSBX 270 VDTC board, which allow the user to modify the characteristics of the board and/or read special data. A command is initiated by writing the specified code to the Command port (Base + 1) followed by any required parameters transfered via the Data port (Base + 0). A command may be written at any time, even while the iSBX 270 VDTC board is expecting additional parameters from a previous command. The previous command will be terminated, the iSBX 270 VDTC board will return to command level, and the new command will be executed. Note that prematurely terminating a command may leave some internal registers in an undefined state.

In addition, two psuedo-commands (Read Keyboard Data and Read Light Pen Coordinates) will automatically be executed whenever the iSBX 270 VDTC board is at command level and a Keyboard or Light Pen hit is detected.

Table 3-5 summarizes the commands implemented by the iSBX 270 VDTC board while the following paragraphs describe the individual commands. All commands and parameters are in hexidecimal.

Table 3-5. iSBX 270 VDTC Board Commands

Code	Description	Parameters
00	NOP	0
01	Set CRT Screen Format	4
02	Set VDTC Mode	1
03	Set Cursor Position	2
04	Set Memory Pointer	2
05	Read Cursor Position	2
06	Read Error Status	1
07	Reset VDTC	0

NOTE:

Any code other than that listed above is reserved.

3-8. NOP

This command will terminate any command in progress and return the iSBX 270 VDTC board to command level, awaiting the next command. No parameters are required.

3-9. SET CRT SCREEN FORMAT

This command is used to change the screen composition from the normal 25 rows of 80 characters. The firmware will properly position the cursor for the new line and/or screen length if this command is given before any data is written to the screen. This command does not clear any data previously written to the screen. If the user programs transparent field attributes, the firmware will not be able to keep the cursor properly aligned with the memory pointer (see section 3-6.)

Four parameters must be written following this command; Table 3-6 describes these parameters. The default parameter values are:

Screen Composition Byte for default operation:

- 1: 01001111B (4FH)
- 2: 60Hz = 01011000B (58H), 50Hz = 11011000B (0D8H)
- 3: 60Hz = 01111001B (79H), 50Hz = 01111010B (7AH)
- 4: 01011001B (59H)

Table 3-6, CRT Screen Format Parameters

Parameter 1 = S H H H H H H H	Parameter 3 = U U U U L L L L
where:	where:
S = Functions	U = Underline Placement
0 normal rows	0 0 0 0 1
1 spaced rows	0 0 0 1 2
H = Horizontal Characters Per Row	0 0 1 0 3
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1	
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 2	
0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 3	
	1 1 1 1 16
•	L = Number of Lines Per Character Row
	0 0 0 0 1
1 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 80	0 0 0 1 2
1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 undefined	0 0 1 0 3
•	
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 undefined	1 1 1 1 16
Parameter 2 = V V R R R R R R	Parameter 4 = M F C C Z Z Z Z
where:	where:
V = Vertical Retrace Row Count	M = Line Counter Mode
0 0 1	0 Mode 0 (non-offset)
0 1 2	1 Mode 1 (offset by 1 count)
1 0 3	F = Field Attribute Mode
1 1 4	0 transparent
R = Vertical Rows Per Frame	1 non-transparent
000000 1	C = Cursor Format
000001 2	0 0 blinking reverse video block
000010 3	0 1 blinking underline
•	1 0 non-blinking reverse video block
•	1 1 non-blinking underline
1 1 1 1 1 64	Z = Horizontal Retrace Count
1 1 1 1 1 04	00002
	0 0 0 1 4
	0 0 1 0 6
	·
	1 1 1 1 32

If the screen Parameters are changed, the user must insure that the master crystal Y2's frequency is correct to produce the desired horizontal scan rate and vertical frame rate.

When using a high resolution monitor the following parameter values should be specified immediately following power up. These values will yield 30 rows of 80 characters, 10 lines per row (11 for 50 Hz), and 2 Horizontal rows for Vertical Retrace (4 for 50 Hz). The user must also change Y2 to a 15.67 MHz crystal, set the dot matrix size to 8 x 10 and provide a character generator PROM with a 6 x 8 matrix size. The resulting horizontal scan rate is 19.2 KHz.

Screen Composition Byte for high resolution monitor:

- 1: 01001111B (4FH)
- 2: 60Hz = 01011101B (5DH), 50Hz = 11011101B (0DDH)
- 3: 60Hz = 01111001B (79H), 50Hz = 01111010B (7AH)
- 4: 01011010B (5AH)

3-10. SET VDTC MODE

This command specifies the operating mode of the iSBX 270 VDTC. One parameter must be written to the data port following this command.

MSB							LSB
C	P	I	О	R	D	L	K

where:

- K = Keyboard Enable
 - 0 = Keyboard Disabled
 - 1 = Keyboard Enabled
- L = Light Pen Enable
 - 0 = Light Pen Disabled
 - 1 = Light Pen Enabled
- D = DMA Enable (across iSBX Bus Interface)
 - 0 = Normal transfer mode
 - 1 = DMA Mode
- R = Reserved
- O = Output Buffer Full Interrupt Enable
 - 0 = Interrupt Disabled
 - 1 = Interrupt Enabled
- I = Input Buffer Empty Interrupt Enable
 - 0 = Interrupt Disabled
 - 1 = Interrupt Enabled
- P = Page Mode
 - 0 = Scroll Mode
 - 1 = Page Mode
- C = Cursor Disable
 - 0 = Cursor Visible
 - 1 = No Cursor

3-11. SET CURSOR POSITION

This command is used to set the cursor position on the screen. In addition, the memory pointer is moved to the corresponding address, as specified in the formula in the following paragraph. Two parameters must be written to the data port.

- 1 Cursor X position
- 2 Cursor Y position

The Home position is 0, 0; the 2nd character on the first line is 1, 0, etc. Specifing a cursor position beyond the limits of the screen will yield undefined results. The memory pointer is updated by the formula: MP=Y * CL+X, where MP is the memory pointer; CL is the number of characters per line; and X and Y are as specified previously. If Page mode is selected, this formula may yield an incorrect memory address.

3-12. SET MEMORY POINTER

This command is used to set the internal Screen Refresh Memory pointer to a specified value. Since the RAM size is 4K, the memory pointer may take on values from 000H to 0FFFH. Two parameters must be written to the data port; the first is the Low Byte of the pointer, the second is the High Byte.

This command does not change the value of the cursor position pointer and thus is useful for operation in Page mode. The user program can position the cursor at the correct point with the Set Cursor Position command and then move the memory pointer to the correct address.

3-13. READ CURSOR POSITION

This command is used to read the X, Y coordinates of the cursor (Home being 0, 0). The two parameters that must be read from the data port following this command indicate the X and then the Y coordinates.

3-14. READ ERROR STATUS

Once it has been determined by a status read that an iSBX 270 VDTC board error has occurred, this command may be used to obtain additional information about the error. The one parameter read from the data port is defined as follows

MSB							LSB		
	I	R	U	О	L	K	С	R	

R = Reserved

- C = Checksum Incorrect during initialization, the iSBX 270 VDTC board performs a checksum on all internal code to verify program integrity. If an improper checksum is detected, this bit is set. The 8041A/8741A should be replaced.
- K = Keyboard Buffer Overflow indicates that a second keyboard data byte was received from the keyboard interface before the first byte was read by the host processor. The second byte is lost.

- L = Light Pen Buffer Overflow indicates that a second light pen hit was received before the coordinates of the first hit were read by the host processor. The coordinates of the second hit are lost.
- O = CRT FIFO Overrun indicates that the attribute buffer in the CRT controller has overflowed. Caused by more than 16 attributes in a character line while in page mode.
- U = CRT DMA Underrun indicates that the CRT controller chip did not receive DMA service when required. The display is blanked for the remainder of the frame.
- I = CRT Improper Command indicates that the CRT controller chip received an improper command byte sequence from the 8041A/8741A.

All error bits including the VDTC Error bit in the status word are reset when this command is completed.

3-15. RESET VDTC

This command causes the iSBX 270 VDTC firmware to re-initialize the iSBX 270 VDTC board just as though a power-up or hardware reset had occurred.

3-16. READ KEYBOARD DATA

This psuedo-command is automatically executed when a keyboard hit is detected. Several conditions must exist for this command to be invoked: the iSBX 270 VDTC board must be at command level (no command in progress); the Keyboard interface must be enabled; and a Keyboard hit must have occured. When this command is invoked, the Keyboard Data Ready flag in the Status word will be set first, then the Keyboard data will be placed in the output buffer. The placement of data in the output buffer will cause the OBF (Output Buffer Full) flag to be set, indicating that data is ready. If interrupts are enabled, an OBF interrupt will also be generated.

3-17. READ LIGHT PEN COORDINATES

This psuedo-command functions like the read keyboard data command. The following conditions must exist for this command to be invoked: the iSBX 270 VDTC board must be at command level; the light pen interface must be enabled; and a light pen hit must have occured. This command will set the light pen data ready flag in the status word, then place the X coordinate of the light pen hit in the output buffer. This will set the OBF flag and generate an OBF interrupt, if enabled. Once the host processor has read the X coordinate, the Y coordinate will be placed in the output buffer and the OBF flag will again be set.

The host processor must read both bytes before executing another command. When the second byte has been read, the light pen data ready and the OBF flags will be reset. The coordinates read will be in error by several character positions due to internal and external delays. The user software must correct the X co-ordinate by an empirically-determined constant.

Note that both the light pen and keyboard interfaces may be enabled. If both interfaces receive a hit, the firmware will pass the light pen hit to the user first, followed by the keyboard hit.

3-18. INTERRUPTS

Two interrupts may be generated by the iSBX 270 VDTC board to the host processor via the iSBX bus interface. An IBE (Input Buffer Empty, MINTR1) interrupt is generated whenever the board is ready to accept a new data or command byte. This interrupt signal is reset whenever a byte is written to the board. An OBF (Output Buffer Full, MINTR0) interrupt is generated whenever the board has a data byte ready for the host processor to read. This normally occurs when a read-type command is being executed by the iSBX 270 VDTC board and parameters are available. The OBF interrupt is cleared by a read of the data port. The OBF interrupt may also be generated by a keyboard or light pen hit.

Both the IBE and OBF interrupts have enable bits associated with them. These are initialized to 0 (interrupts disabled) but may be modified with the Set VDTC Mode command. When the interrupts are enabled, the OBF interrupt will reflect the state of the OBF bit in the VDTC status word; the IBE interrupt will be the complement of the IBF bit in the iSBX 270 VDTC board status word.

3-19. DMA OPERATION

Data may be transferred to the iSBX 270 VDTC board over the iSBX bus interface by a DMA controller on the host processor if DMA mode has been enabled by the Set VDTC Mode command. DMA transfers will take place one byte at a time and only data may be transferred (no commands). Note that the transfer direction must be from the host processor to the VDTC. If a DMA Transfer has been selected, the MDRQT (DMA Request) line will go active (High) whenever the iSBX 270 VDTC board is ready to accept a new data byte. When MDACK/ /(DMA Acknowledge) is asserted from the host board (active low) the iSBX 270 VDTC iSBX bus interface will be enabled and the data port selected. An I/O write signal from the host will write the data and clear the MDRQT signal.

3-20. RECOMMENDED PROGRAMMING PROCEDURES

For ease of illustration in the following paragraphs, the iSBX 270 VDTC board commands may be broken down into two types: Read-type and Write-type.

The Read-type commands are those commands which result in the host board reading information. These commands are: Read Cursor Position, Read Error Status, Read Keyboard Data, and Read Light Pen Co-ordinates.

The Write-type commands are those commands which require the host board to write parameters to the iSBX 270 VDTC board. For simplicity, the commands which require no parameters are also included in this group. The Write-type commands are: NOP, Set CRT Screen Format, Set VDTC Mode, Set Cursor Position, Set Memory Pointer, and Reset VDTC.

A command may be written to the iSBX 270 VDTC board anytime the input buffer is empty (indicated by the IBF flag = 0); however, the command will not be acted upon immediately if a read-type command is in progress. Since the read keyboard and read light pen commands are automatically invoked and since the keyboard and light pen hits are asynchronous to the iSBX 270 VDTC board and host board, it is possible to write a command to the iSBX 270 VDTC board while one of these two commands is executing, without the knowledge of the host board program. Therefore, the host board routine which issues the new command must be prepared to handle the results of a previous command. Figures 3-1 through 3-3 show flowcharts for the recommended handling of writing commands.

If a command is issued while a Write-type command is in progress, the current command will be aborted immediately. This may result in some memory locations containing a mixture of old and new parameters. Therefore it is not recommended to intentionally abort a Write-type command, except to issue a software Reset.

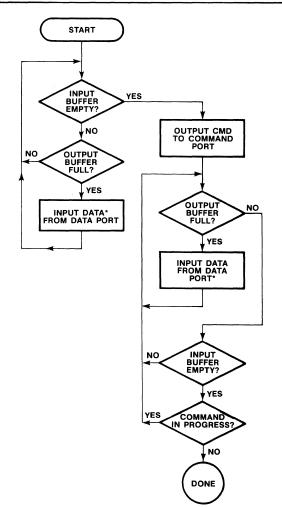
3-21. PROGRAMMING EXAMPLES

Figure 3-4 is a flow chart of a program to read and display the keyboard and light pen inputs. The main loop program shown in Figure 3-4 calls four subroutines. The first subroutine called is the keyboard hit (figure 3-5). This subroutine checks for an input from the keyboard. If there is no input from the keyboard, control is returned to the main loop program. If an input from the keyboard is detected, the subroutine loads the data into the FIFO and updates the FIFO pointer then returns to main loop. The second subroutine called is the light pen hit (figure 3-6). This

subroutine checks for an input from the light pen. If there is no input from the light pen, control is returned to the main loop program. If an input from the light pen is detected, the subroutine loads the X coordinate (adjusted for propogation delays) into the FIFO and updates the FIFO pointer then the Y coordinate is loaded into the next location of the FIFO and the FIFO pointer is again updated and control is returned to main loop.

The next two subroutines take the data from a display data FIFO and display it. The flow chart for displaying data information is shown in Figure 3-7.

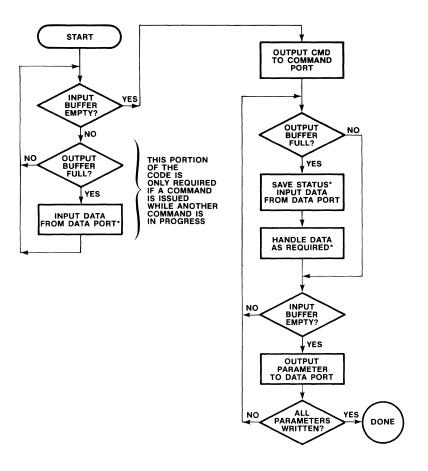
The program listings for each of the flow charts are shown following it's flow chart (table 3-7 through 3-10).



NOTES:

*The user may discard this data, or the status register may be checked to indicate if the data is from the keyboard or light pen.

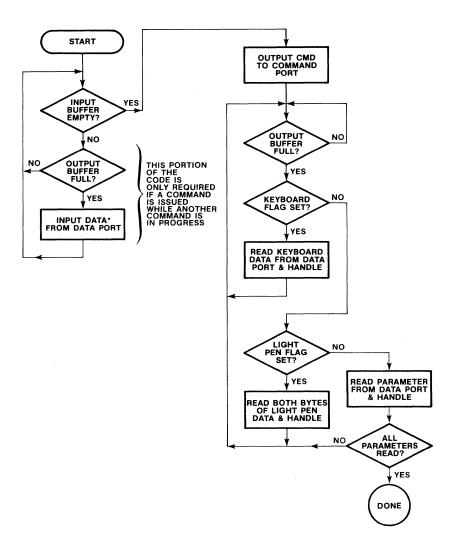
Figure 3-1. Recommended Procedure For Issuing a VDTC Reset or NOP Command



NOTES:

*The user may discard this data, or the status register may be checked to indicate if the data is from the keyboard, light pen, or a result of a previous command (if the data was not from the keyboard or light pen).

Figure 3-2. Recommended Procedure For Issuing a Set Format, Set Mode, Set Cursor, or Set Address Command



NOTES:

*The user may discard this data, or the status register may be checked to indicate if the data is from the keyboard or light pen.

Figure 3-3. Recommended Procedure For Issuing a Read Cursor or Read Error Status Command

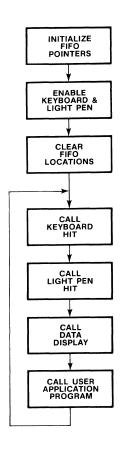


Figure 3-4. Flow Chart Of Main Loop Program

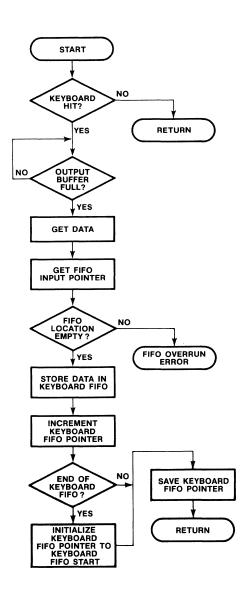


Figure 3-5. Flow Chart of Keyboard Hit Subroutine

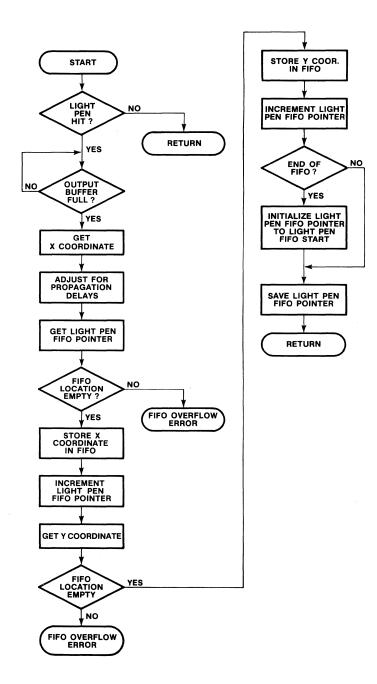


Figure 3-6. Flow Chart of Light Pen Hit Subroutine

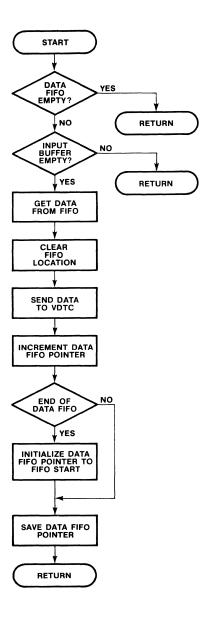


Figure 3-7. Flow Chart Of Data Display Subroutine

Table 3-7. Main Loop Program Listing

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	123456789101123145167189201223	KBSTRT LPSTRT DISTRT KBFIN KBFOUT LPFOUT DISIN DISOUT KBFEND LPFEND DISEND BASE KBHIT LPHIT OBFULL IBFULL XDELAY WRAPA KBEN LBEN SETMOD		3300H 3320H 3340H 3360H 3362H 3364H 3366H 3368H 30H 50H 0F0H 20H 10H 01H 02H 05H 80H 01H	KEYBOARD FIFO START ADDRESS LIGHT PEN FIFO START ADDRESS DATA DISPLAY FIFO START ADDRESS KEYBOARD FIFO INPUT POINTER KEYBOARD FIFO OUTPUT POINTER LIGHT PEN FIFO OUTPUT POINTER LIGHT PEN FIFO OUTPUT POINTER DATA DISPLAY FIFO INPUT POINTER DATA DISPLAY FIFO OUTPUT POINTER DATA DISPLAY FIFO END DETECT LIGHT PEN FIFO END DETECT DATA DISPLAY FIFO END DETECT DATA DISPLAY FIFO END DETECT UDATA DISPLAY FIFO END DETECT COMPENSATION BIT COUTPUT BUFFER FULL STATUS BIT INPUT BUFFER FULL STATUS BIT COMPENSATION FOR PROPAGATION DELAYS WRAPAROUND COMPENSATION ENABLE KEYBOARD PARAMETER ENABLE LIGHT PEN PARAMETER SET VDTC MODE COMMAND
	24		ORG	3000H	
	25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48	MAINLP:	LXI SHLD SHLD MVI CALL LXI SHLD SHLD MVI CALL MVI CALL MVI CALL LXI SHLD SHLD CALL CALL CALL CALL CALL	H,KBSTRT KBFIN KBFOUT C,16 LOOP H,LPSTRT LPFIN LPFOUT C,16 LOOP C,SETMOD SNDCMD C,LPEN OR KBEN SNDDAT H,DISTRT DISIN DISOUT C,16 LOOP KBDET LPDET DATADS USER	INITIALIZE KEYBOARD FIFO INPUT AND OUTPUT POINTERS CLEAR KEYBOARD FIFO INITIALIZE LIGHT PEN FIFO INPUT AND OUTPUT POINTERS CLEAR LIGHT PEN FIFO SEND SET MODE COMMAND IAND PARAMETERS TO ENABLE THE KEYBOARD AND LIGHT PEN INITIALIZE DATA DISPLAY FIFO INPUT AND OUTPUT POINTERS CLEAR DATA DISPLAY FIFO SEE IF DATA FROM KEYBOARD SEE IF DATA FROM LIGHT PEN DISPLAY DATA IN DISPLAY FIFO USER ROUTINE TO HANDLE DATA
	51	LOOP:	MVI	M,OFFH	;THIS ROUTINE FILLS FIFO'S
	52 53 54 55 56		INX DCR JNZ RET	H C LOOP	;WITH FF'S TO CLEAR FIFO'S
	57 58	SNDCMD:	IN ANI	0F1H 02 SNDCMD	;SEE IF INPUT BUFFER EMPTY ;TO RECEIVE COMMAND
	59 60 61 62 63		JNZ MOV OUT RET	SNDCMD A,C 0F1H	GET COMMAND AND SEND TO VDTC
	64 65 66	SNDDAT:	IN ANI JNZ	0F1H 02 SNDDAT	;SEE IF INPUT BUFFER EMPTY ;TO RECEIVE PARAMETER
	67 68 69		MOV OUT RET	A,C 0F0H	GET PARAMETER AND SEND TO VDTC
	70 71		END		
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Table 3-8. Program Listing of Keyboard Hit Subroutine

51			
52 KBDET:	IN	LOW BASE+1	;SEE IF THERE WAS A KEYBOARD HIT
53	ANI	LOW KBHIT	;DETECTED
54	RZ		RETURN OR MAINLP IF NOT
55 WAITOB:	IN	LOW BASE+1	;SEE IF OUTPUT BUFFER IS FULL
56	ANI	LOW OBFULL	
57	JZ	WAITOB	
58	IN	LOW BASE+0	GET DATA
59	MOV	C,A	
60	LHLD	KBFIN	;LOAD KEYBOARD INPUT POINTER
61	MOV	A,M	;MAKE SURE FIFO LOCATION EMPTY
62	CMA		
63	ANA	Α	
64	JNZ	KBERR	;FIFO OVERFLOW ERROR
65	MOV	M,C	;STORE DATA IN KEYBOARD FIFO
66	INX	Н	;INCREMENT POINTER
67	MOV	A,L	
68	CPI	LOW BKFEND	;SEE IF AT END OF KB FIFO
69	JNZ	SVKBIN	
70	LXI	H,KBSTRT	
71 SVKBIN:	SHLD	KBFIN	;SAVE KB FIFO IN POINTER
72	RET		
73			
74 KBERR:			;HANDLE AS REQUIRED
75	RET		
76			
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Table 3-9. Program Listing of Light Pen Hit Subroutine

1				
78				
79 L	PDET:	IN	LOW BASE+1	;SEE IF LIGHT PEN HIT DETECTED
80		ANI	LPHIT	
81		RZ		RETURN TO MAINLP IF NOT
82		CALL	WAIT2	;SEE IF OUTPUT BUFFER FULL
83		IN SBI	LOW BASE+0 LOW XDELAY	;GET X COORDINATE :DELAY MAY VARY FOR DIFFERENT LIGHT PENS
84 85		JP	CONTIN	:IF NEGATIVE, WRAP AROUND OCCURED
86		ADI	LOW WRAPA	,IF NEGATIVE, WHAP ANOUND OCCURED
	CONTIN:	MOV	C.A	
88	ONTIN.	LHLD	LPFIN	:LOAD LP FIFO IN POINTER
89		MOV	A.M	:SEE IF FIFO LOCATION EMPTY
90		CMA	,	,
91		ANA	Α	
92		JNZ	LPERR	;FIFO OVERFLOW ERROR
93		MOV	M,C	;STORE X COORDINATE IN L FIFO
94		INX	Н	;INCREMENT INPUT POINTER
95		CALL	WAIT2	;SEE IF OUTPUT BUFFER FULL
96		IN	LOW BASE+0	;GET Y COORDINATE
97		MOV	C,A	CEE IE EIEO LOCATION EMPTY
98 99		MOV CMA	A,M	;SEE IF FIFO LOCATION EMPTY
100		ANA	Α	
100		JNZ	LPERR	:FIFO OVERFLOW ERROR
102		MOV	M,C	STORE Y COORDINATE IN FIFO
103		INX	H.	JOIOTE I GOGIDHWILE HATH O
104		MOV	A,L	:SEE IF AT END OF LP FIFO
105		CPI	LOW LPFEND	,
106		JNZ	SVLPIN	
107		LXI	H,LPSTRT	
	SVLPIN:	SHLD	LPFIN	;SAVE LP FIFO IN POINTER
109		RET		
110				OFF IF OUTPUT BUFFER FULL
	VAIT2:	IN	LOW BASE+1	;SEE IF OUTPUT BUFFER FULL
112		ANI	LOW OBFULL WAIT2	
113 114		JZ RET	WALL Z	
115		nei		
	PERR:			:HANDLE AS REQUIRED
117		RET		,
118		•		
L		· //		

Table 3-10. Program Listing of Keyboard Display Subroutine

120				
121	DATADS:	IN ANI	LOW BASE+1 LOW IBFULL	;SEE IF INPUT BUFFER EMPTY
123		RNZ	LOW ID! OLL	RETURN TO MAINLP IF INPUT BUFFER FULL
124		LHLD	DISOUT	;LOAD DISPLAY FIFO OUT POINTER
124		MOV	A,M	;SEE IF DATA IN DISPLAY FIFO
125		CMA	•	
127 128		ANA RZ	Α	PETUDAL TO MAINIUR IS SIGN EMPTY
128		MOV	A,M	RETURN TO MAINLP IF FIFO EMPTY
130		OUT	LOW BASE+0	:SEND DATA TO VDTC FOR DISPLAY
131		MVI	M,0FFH	;CLEAR DISPLAY FIFO LOCATION
132		INX	H	;INCREMENT DISPLAY OUT POINTER
133		MOV	A,L	;SEE IF AT END OF DISPLAY FIFO
134 135		CPI JNZ	LOW DISEND SVDOUT	
136		LXI	H.DISTRT	
137	SVDOUT:	SHLD	DISOUT	;SAVE DISPLAY FIFO OUT POINTER
138		RET		
139				
140				
141				
143	USER:			USER ROUTINE TO HANDLE DATA LOCATED IN THE KEY-
144				;BOARD AND LIGHT PEN FIFO'S. THIS PROGRAM PRESUMES
145				THE DATA WAS HANDLED BY THIS ROUTINE AND THEN PUT
				;INTO THE DISPLAY FIFO.
		RET		
		111-1		
150		END		
144 145 146 147 148 149	USER:	RET END		;BOARD AND LIGHT PEN FIFO'S. THIS PROGRAM PRESUMES

Table 3-11. Display Valid Characters Routine

1 2	;ROUTINE TO	DISPLAY A	LL VALID CHARAC	TERS
3	START: AGAIN:	NVI CALL INR MOV	C,O DATOUT C A,C	ROUTINE TO SEND DATA TO VDTC
7 8 9 10		CPI JNZ JMP	128 AGAIN START	SEE IF AT END OF CHARACTERS CONTINUE IF NOT CONTINUE TO LOOP ON DISPLAY
11 12 13 14 15 16	DATOUT:	MVI CALL MOV CALL RET	B,11H CHECK B,C CHECK	;LEADIN GRAPHIC CHARACTER ;SEE IF INPUT BUFFER EMPTY ;GO DISPLAY CHARACTER
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	CHECK:	IN ANI JNZ MOV OUT RET	0F1H 02 CHECK A,B 0F0H	SEE IF INPUT BUFFER EMPTY GET CHARACTER AND SEND FOR DISPLAY



CHAPTER 4 PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION

4-1. INTRODUCTION

This chapter provides a functional description of the iSBX 270 VDTC board. Figure 4-1 is a simplified block diagram of the iSBX 270 VDTC Board.

4-2. FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

A brief description of the functional blocks of logic comprising the iSBX 270 VDTC board is given in the following paragraphs.

4-3. INTERFACE CONTROLLER

The major portions of the interface controller are UPI U16 (2ZD7) and port expander U12 (2ZD5). The major functions of the interface controller are under control of the firmware contained in the UPI. The firmware will not be described in this section, but the basic functions it performs will be.

The UPI interfaces to the host processor via the data, chip select, and control lines of the iSBX bus interface. The UPI drives three lines to the host

processor: two interrupt and one DMA request line. The interrupt lines are buffered to provide increased drive.

The UPI communicates with other chips on the VDTC via an on board data bus connected to I/O port P1 (U16-27 through U16-34). The UPI inputs or outputs data as required via this port, which is placed in the input state when not in use to prevent bus contention. Port P2 (U16-21 through U16-24 and U16-35,36,37) is used to generate DMA and interrupt signals to the iSBX bus interface and to control the port expander.

The port expander drives the address bus via P4 (U12-2 through U12-5) to allow the UPI to select various chip registers. When not in use, this port is placed in the input mode, to avoid bus contention. Port P5 (U12-1,21,22,23) drives the chip select lines to the Memory Controller, the CRT Controller, and the Keyboard Interface. In addition, a strobe line for an external bell is provided. These lines are all driven High when not in use.

Port P6 (U12-17,U12-20) controls the I/O read line, the I/O write line, the Memory Controller Ready

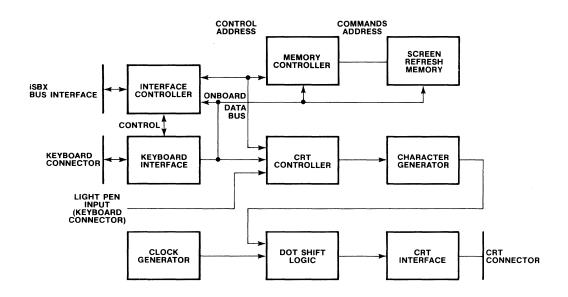


Figure 4-1. VDTC Block Diagram

line, and the Enable line to the Memory Controller. The I/O read line is driven by U10-8 (2ZC4), which is controlled by port P6 bit P60. When inactive, this line is tri-stated and pulled up. Port P6 bit P61 enables tri-state buffer U10-11 (2ZC5) which gates the PROG (U12-7) pulse, to the port expander, out to the chips. This arrangement allows the UPI to strobe data into an on board chip and change to the next address in only one cycle. The ready line (Port P6 bit P62) allows the UPI to control the speed of a memory transfer, so that the UPI has time to send or accept the data. Figure 4-2 shows the ready handshake. In addition, the ready line is used to clear end-ofprocess (EOP) latch U15 (2ZA3). Port P6 bit P63 allows the UPI to disable the Memory Controller, so that the UPI may obtain the on-board bus.

Port P7 and UPI inputs T0 and T1 monitor the rest of the VDTC circuitry. Port P7 bit P70 passes the state of the EOP latch to the firmware. When the EOP latch is set, it indicates that the memory controller has completed an operation (clear line or clear screen). Port P7 bit P71 tells the firmware whether the VDTC is to operate in 50Hz or 60Hz mode. Port P7 bit P72 informs the UPI that the CRT controller is requesting DMA service and that the UPI should not request the on board bus. Port P7 bit P73 informs the firmware that the CRT controller has entered vertical retrace and requires service. Input T0 (on the UPI), when Low, indicates that the

Memory Controller has relinquished the on board bus and that the UPI may use it. Input T1 is used as an input to the UPI's internal counter. A transition from High to Low on this input (caused by a keyboard strobe) will cause the counter to increment setting an internal flag.

4-4. MEMORY CONTROLLER

The memory controller is the workhorse of the VDTC. It can control the on board buses when allowed to by the interface controller. The major portions of the memory controller are the DMA controller U17 (2ZB4), clock divider U19 (2ZA7), ready synchronizer/inverter and hold acknowledge generator U20 (2ZB5), and a quad transparent latch U18 (2ZB3). All memory transfers are done by the DMA controller chip, including screen refresh, writing data to the screen, and clearing display lines (or the whole screen).

The DMA controller requires a 5 MHz clock for proper operation. Flip-flop U19-9 (2ZA7) divides the 10 MHz MCLK by two, producing the required signal. This clock not only drives the DMA controller, but also the ready synchronizer/inverter U20-5 and the hold Acknowledge generator U20-8. The DMA controller has a requirement that Hold Acknowledge (HLDA) be separated from Hold Request (HRQ) by

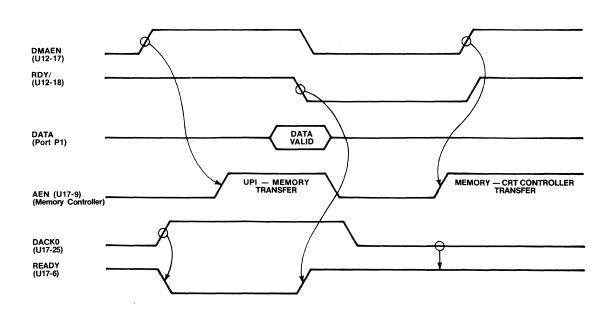


Figure 4-2. Ready Handshake Timing

one clock cycle, and that HLDA must not go inactive while HRQ is active. Figure 4-3 shows the waveforms for the circuit which handles this.

Quad transparent latch U18 (2ZB3) is used to latch the four most significant memory address bits. This is done on the falling edge of ADSTB from the DMA controller. Note that the highest four bits of the 16 bit address are not used or latched; this means that if an address above 0FFFH is accessed, it will be evaluated modulo 4096 and mapped into the memory.

The four channels of the DMA controller (U17) are each dedicated to a specific function. Channel 0 is used by the UPI to write (or read) data to the screen refresh memory. Note that the DMA controller is provided with a ready signal (via U21) except when DMA channel 0 is active, in which case the UPI controls ready via port P6 bit P62. The UPI requests a transfer on channel 0 by a software DMA request, after loading the address register and a word count of 1. Block mode is used.

Channel 1 is reserved.

Channel 2 is used to refresh the CRT controller. The CRT controller requests service via DRQ2 and an acknowledge is given by DAK/. The DMA controller will perform a memory read to get the data, and an I/O write to give it to the CRT controller. Single byte transfer mode is used.

Channel 3 is used to clear the screen refresh memory to spaces. The UPI will load the address register of the DMA controller with the starting address, and load the word count register with the number of bytes to be cleared. The UPI then requests DMA by unmasking the DRQ input (which is tied high) and releases the bus. The DMA will transfer the specified number of bytes from space code generator U23 (2ZC3) into memory. The space code generator is an octal tri-state buffer whose inputs have been tied such that the output, when enabled, will place the ASCII code for a space (20H) on the internal data bus. The space code generator is enabled when DACK3 and IOR/ are both active. The DMA controller is programmed for single byte transfer to allow channel 2 to interleave. The DMA controller signals the completion of a line clear by pulsing the EOP line, which sets the EOP latch.

4-5. SCREEN REFRESH MEMORY

This 4K block of RAM consists of two 2168 chips U13 and U14 (3ZD5). Memory read and memory write are OR'ed together to create a chip select, and memory write connects to the write enable input of the RAM's. The RAM's connect directly to the on board data bus and receive address information from the memory controller.

4-6. KEYBOARD INTERFACE

The Keyboard Interface consists of octal latch U1 (3ZB7) with tri-state outputs. This latch will save the data present on its inputs when its clock line rises.

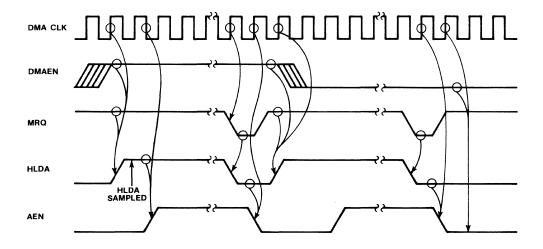


Figure 4-3. Hold Request and Hold Acknowledge Timing

The clock line comes from the Keyboard Strobe line via jumper stake group E1-E4. The UPI is informed of a keyboard hit by input T1, which is a falling-edge triggered signal also from jumper stake group E1-E4. Once the data has been latched into U1, the UPI can read the data by enabling the output of U1 (via port P5 bit P52). This line also is routed to the J1 connector as KEYACK/ to inform the keyboard that the data has been read from the keyboard latch. In addition, port P5 bit P53 is routed to the J1 connector as a Bell strobe (active low). When the VDTC receives a BEL (code 07H) from the host processor, this output will pulse low for a minimum of 5 μ sec.

4-7. CRT CONTROLLER

The CRT controller U11 (3ZB6) performs all timing and data buffering functions for the CRT. Refer to the 8275 data sheet for additional details. The CRT controller also receives a light pen input from the keyboard connector.

The light pen interface consists of the light pen input (LPEN), which is rising edge triggered. This signal should be externally latched to prevent multiple light pen hits.

Light pen hits are detected during a status read of the 8275 every vertical retrace.

4-8. CHARACTER GENERATOR

The character generator U2 (3ZB6) consists of a 2716-1 PROM which is programmed with the proper pattern. The pattern in the PROM is active-low, that is an illuminated dot is programmed as a zero. The four least significant bits are used to specify the line number that is currently being displayed. The next 7 bits specify the character. Thus the character "A" (ASCII Code 41H) occupies addresses 410H to 41FH. The dot pattern is shifted out least-significant bit first. Figure 4-4 shows the coding sample for one character in a 5 x 7 matrix. For more information on the character generator coding see Appendix A.

4-9. CLOCK GENERATOR

The clock generator consists of hybrid crystal oscillator Y2 (3ZB7), which is mounted in a socket, and synchronous counter U4 (3ZA7). The crystal oscillator frequency is determined by the Horiz rate and the dot matrix size. A chart is shown on the schematic which defines the required clock rates.

The synchronous counter is loaded with a value that depends on the dot matrix size. When a matrix of 5×7 is used, the counter is a divide-by-seven (figure 4-5). When a matrix of 6×8 is used, the counter is a divide-by-eight (figure 4-6). When a matrix of 7×9 is

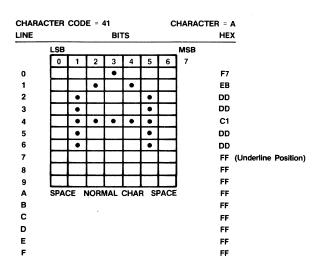


Figure 4-4. Sample Character Generator Dot Pattern

used, the counter is a divide-by-nine (figure 4-7). Under default conditions, a character clock is produced which is 1.62 MHz. This clock drives the CRT controller.

4-10. DOT SHIFT REGISTER

The purpose of dot shift register U3 (3ZB5) is to take the parallel data from the character generator and serialize it to a video signal. This is accomplished by U3, a synchronous parallel-load, serial-out shift register. This shift register is clocked by the output from the clock generator.

It is important to note that the character being displayed is always one character behind the CRT controller. Therefore, the attribute information for a character must be saved. This is done by octal latch U5 (3ZA5).

4-11. CRT INTERFACE

The serial video output of the dot shift register is combined with video suppress (VSP), light enable (LTEN), and reverse video (RVV) by gates U6 (3ZB4) and U7 (3ZB4) to obtain a complete video signal. This video signal is ANDed with the attribute signals by driver U8 (3ZB3), which also provides 75 ohm line drive capability. The outputs of U8 are the Red, Green, and Blue Video signals.

For color operation, jumper E21-E22 (3ZB4) must be removed. This will cause the input to the Green

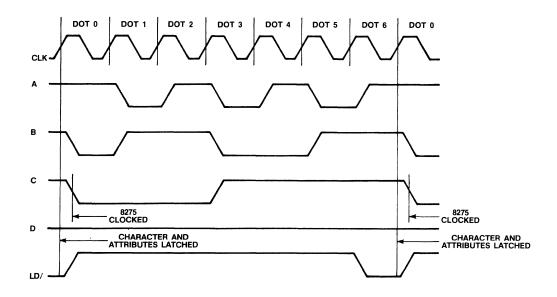


Figure 4-5. Clock Generator Timing For 5 X 7 Matrix

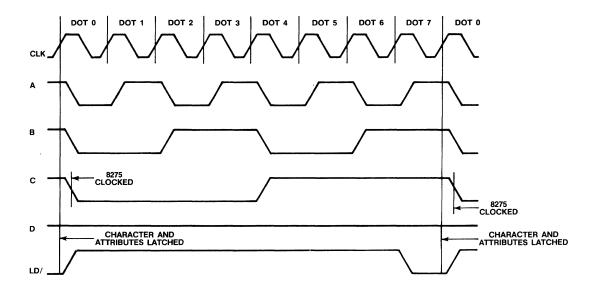


Figure 4-6. Clock Generator Timing For 6 X 8 Matrix

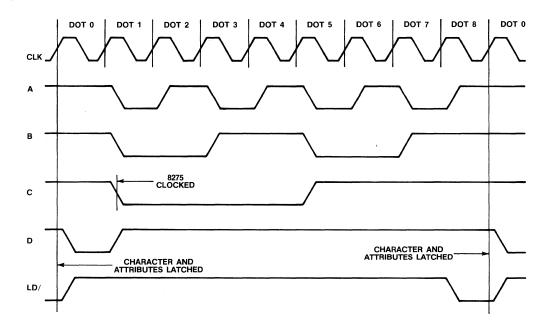


Figure 4-7. Clock Generator Timing For 7 X 9 Matrix

Video line driver (U8) to be gated by the inactive status of GPAO. Thus if GPAO is not active, the Green Video signal will be enabled. The removal of jumper E21-E22 also causes the output of U6-10 (3ZB4) to go low, converting U7-6 (an exclusive-or gate) to a non-inverting buffer. Red Video then becomes gated with the inactive state of Highlight (HLGT) at line driver U8. The Blue Video signal is gated with the inactive state of GPA1 at line driver U8. The inverted operation of the attribute lines allows all color guns to be on (white will be displayed) immediately after power-up, without the need to write any attributes. As attributes are written, the various colors are disabled, allowing a total of seven colors plus black to be displayed.

If Black and White operation is required, jumper E21-E22 must be installed, enabling the Green Video driver regardless of the state of GPA0. At the same time, exclusive-OR U7-6 (3ZB3) becomes an inverting buffer, so that Red Video is only enabled when the highlight attribute is active. A resistor and diode connected to jumpers E16-E17 (3ZB3) and E23-E24 (3ZB2) combine the highlighted video and the normal video to form a dual-intensity level combined video signal, with adjustable contrast. A single intensity level may be obtained by installing jumper E23-E24 only.



CHAPTER 5 SERVICE INFORMATION

5-1. INTRODUCTION

This chapter provides a list of replaceable parts, service diagrams, and service assistance instructions for the iSBX 270 VDTC board.

5-2. SERVICE AND REPAIR ASSISTANCE

United States customers can obtain service and repair assistance by contacting the Intel Product Service Hotline in Phoenix, Arizona. Customers outside the United States should contact their sales source (Intel Sales Office or Authorized Distributor) for service information and repair assistance.

Before calling the Product Service Hotline, you should have the following information available:

- a. Date you received the product.
- b. Complete part number of the product (including dash number). On boards, this number is usually silk-screened onto the board. On other MCSD products, it is usually stamped on a label.
- c. Serial number of product. On boards, this number is usually stamped on the board. On other MCSD products, the serial number is usually stamped on a label.
- d. Shipping and billing addresses.
- e. If your Intel product warranty has expired, you must provide a purchase order number for billing purposes.
- f. If you have an extended warranty agreement, be sure to advise the Hotline personnel of this agreement.

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In preparing the product for shipment to the Repair Center, use the original factory packing material, if possible. If this material is not available, wrap the product in a cushioning material such as Air Cap TH - 240, manufactured by the Sealed Air Corporation, Hawthorne, N.J. Then enclose in a heavy duty corrugated shipping carton, and label "FRAGILE" to ensure careful handling. Ship only to the address specified by Product Service Hotline personnel.

5-3. REPLACEABLE PARTS

Table 5-1 provides a list of replaceable parts for the iSBX 270 VDTC board. Table 5-2 identifies and locates the manufacturers specified in the MFR CODE column in Table 5-1. Intel parts that are available on the open market are listed in the MFR CODE column as COML; every effort should be made to procure these parts from a local (commercial) distributor.

5-4. SERVICE DIAGRAMS

The parts diagram and schematic diagrams of the iSBX 270 VDTC board are provided in figures 5-1 and 5-2, respectively. On the schematic diagrams, a signal mnemonic that ends with a slash (e.g., BSTB/) is active low. Conversly, a signal mnemonic without a slash (e.g., MEMRD) is active high.

The schematic diagrams in Figure 5-2 are current when the manual is printed. However, minor revisions to the diagrams may occur between manual printings. Therefore, Intel provides copies of the current schematic diagrams with the board, when it is shipped from the factory. These diagrams should be inserted into this manual for future reference. In most instances the diagrams shipped with the board will be identical to those included in the manual.

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Table 5-1. Replaceable Parts

Reference Designator	Description	Mfr. Part No.	Mfr. Code	Qty.
C1-4,7-13,16,17 C5 C6 C14 C15 C18	Cap., Cer., .1 uf, +80% Cap., Cer., 1200 pf, 5%, 50V Cap., Cer., .01 uf, 5%, 50V Cap., Cer., 22 pf, 5%, 50V Cap., Tant., 22 uf, 10%, 15V Cap., Cer., 180 pf, 5%, 50V	MA205E104ZAA MD015A122JAA MA405A103JAA MD015A220JAA T110B226K015AS MD015A181JAA	AVX AVX AVX KEM AVX	13 1 1 1 1
CR1	Diode, 1N270	OBD .	COML	1
F1-3	Fuse, Pico, 1 Amp, 125V	276-001	LTF	3
J1,J2	Conn., 26 Pin, Rt. Angle	65461-005	BERG	2
P1	Conn., 18/36-pin, iSBX Male	000292-0001	VIK	2
R1 R2 R3 R4,R5 R6 R7	Res., 12 Turn Pot, 200 ohms, .5w Res., 12 Turn Pot, 500 ohms, .5w Res., 12 Turn Pot, 50K ohms, .5w Res., 120 ohms, 1/4w, 5% Res., 43.2K, 1/4w, 1% Res., 110K, 1/4w, 1% Res., 6.81K, 1/4w, 1%	3262X-201 3262X-501 3262X-503 CB-1215 CC-432-F CC-1103-F CC-6811-F	BOI BOI BOI AB AB AB	1 1 1 1 1
RP1-3 RP4	Res. Pack, 10K, 8 Pin Res. Pack, 1K, 6 Pin	A4308R-101-103 4306-101-102	BOI BOI	3 1
U1 U2 U3 U4 U5 U6 U7 U8 U9 U10 U11 U12 U13,14 U15 U16 U17 U18 U19 U20 U21 U22	IC, 74LS374, Octal D-type Latch IC, Intel 2716-1, EPROM IC, 74LS166, 8-Bit Shift Register IC, 74S163, Sync 4-Bit Counter IC, 74S374, Octal D-Type Latch IC, 74S02, Quad 2-Input-Positive-NOR Gate IC, 74S86, Quad 2-Input Exclusive-OR Gate IC, 74128, 50-Ohm line Driver IC, 74LS123, Dual Multivibrator IC, 74LS125, Quad Bus Buffer IC, INTEL 8275, Prog. CRT Cont. IC, Intel 8243, I/O Expander IC, Intel 2168, Static RAM IC, 74S00, Quad 2-Input NAND IC, Intel 8374-2, DMA Controller IC, 74LS75, 4-Bit bistable Latch IC, 74LS74A, Dual D-type Flip-Flop IC, 74S08, Quad 2-Input Positive AND Gate IC, 74LS04, Hex Inverter	74LS374 2716-1 74LS166 74S163 74S374 74S02 74S86 74128 74LS123 74LS125 8275 8275 8243 2168 74S00 8741A 8237A-2 74LS75 74LS74 74LS74 74LS74 74S08 74LS04	TINTI TITITI TINTI NINTI TITITI TI	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
XU2 XU16,17 XY2	Socket, 24 Pin, DIP Socket, 40 Pin, DIP Socket, 14 Pin, DIP	524-AG37D 540-AG37D 514-AG37D	AUG AUG AUG	1 2 1
Y1 Y2	Crystal, 6.00 MHz Crystal, 14.58 MHz	CY6B K1115A-14.58 MHZ	CRY MOT	1

Table 5-2. List of Manufacturer's Codes

Mfr. Code	Manufacturer	Address	Mfr. Code	Manufacturer	Address
AB	Allen-Bradley Co	Highland Hts, OH	INTEL	Intel Corp	Santa Clara, CA
AUG	Augut Inc	Attleboro, MA	KEM	Kemet	Greenville, SC
AVX	AVX Ceramics	Myrtle Beach, SC	LTF	Littlefuse Co	Des Plaines, IL
BERG	Berg Electronics	New Cumburland, PA	MOT	Motorola Inc	Phoenix, AZ
BOI	Bourns Inc	Riverside, CA	ΤI	Texas Instruments	Dallas, TX
CRY	Crystek Crystals Corp	Ft. Meyers, FL	VIK	Viking Connectors Inc	Chatsworth, CA
COML	Available from any comm	ercial source. Order by des	scription (OBD).	

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5-5. INTERNAL SIGNALS

Internal board signals which traverse from one sheet to another in Figure 5-2 are identified by a single alpha character within a box (e.g., \boxed{C}). The signal mnemonic is shown adjacent to the boxed character, along with the source or destination sheet number (e.g., SH 2, DAK/ \boxed{F}). Signals coming into the sheet are shown on the left side of the diagram. Conversely, signals leaving the sheet are shown on the right side.

To follow a signal from one sheet to another, read the sheet number and boxed character, then look for the same boxed character on the indicated sheet. For example, if you are going to trace the path of IOR/when it exits sheet 2, the first step would be to turn to the indicated sheet. Since IOR/will be entering sheet 3, as shown on sheet 2, look for the E symbol on the left side of the sheet. Notice that the inputs also list the source sheet number (sheet 2 in this example).

Each signal will keep the same boxed character throughout Figure 5-2. This will enable you to trace the signal to any sheet with minimal effort.

The internal board signal mnemonics are listed and defined in Table 5-3. The signals are listed according to boxed code alphabetical order.

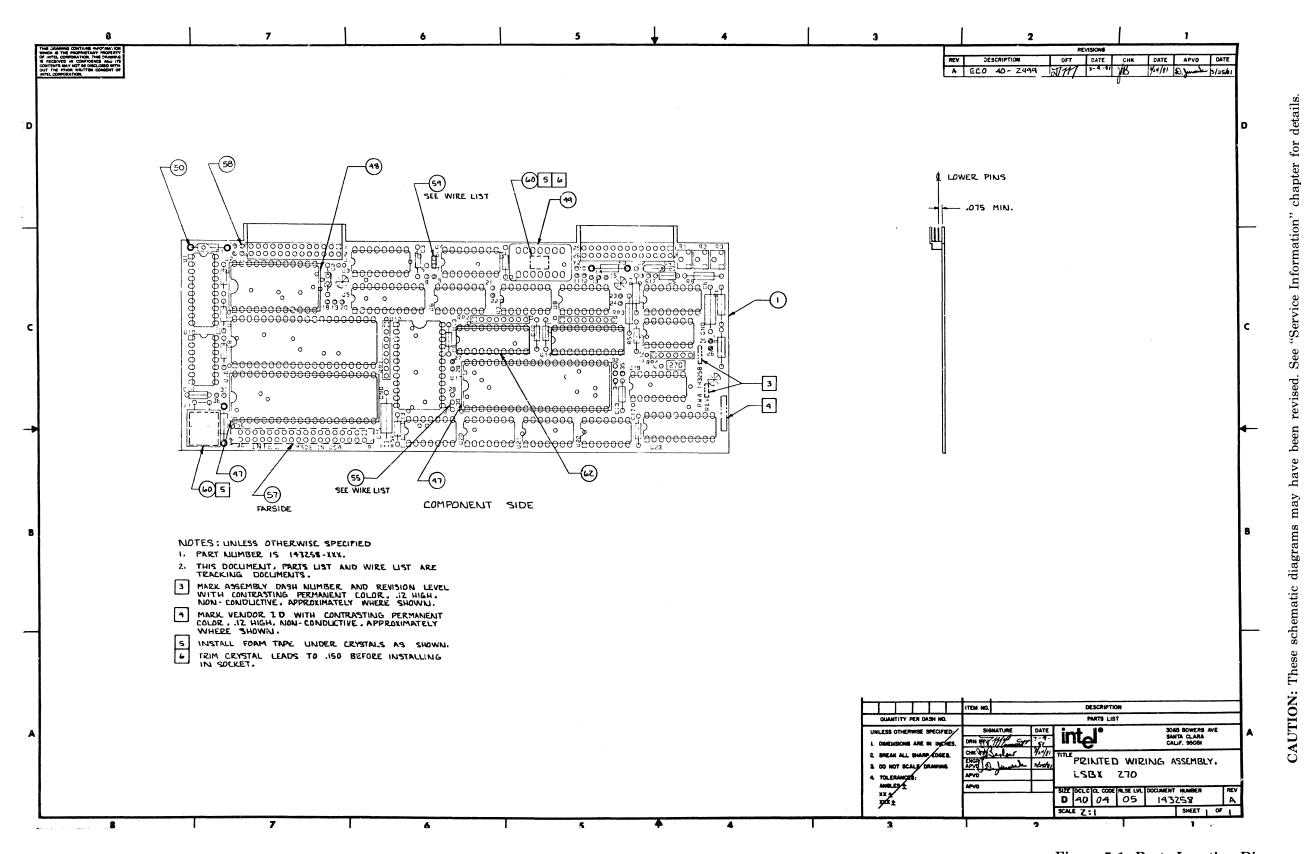


Figure 5-1. Parts Location Diagram

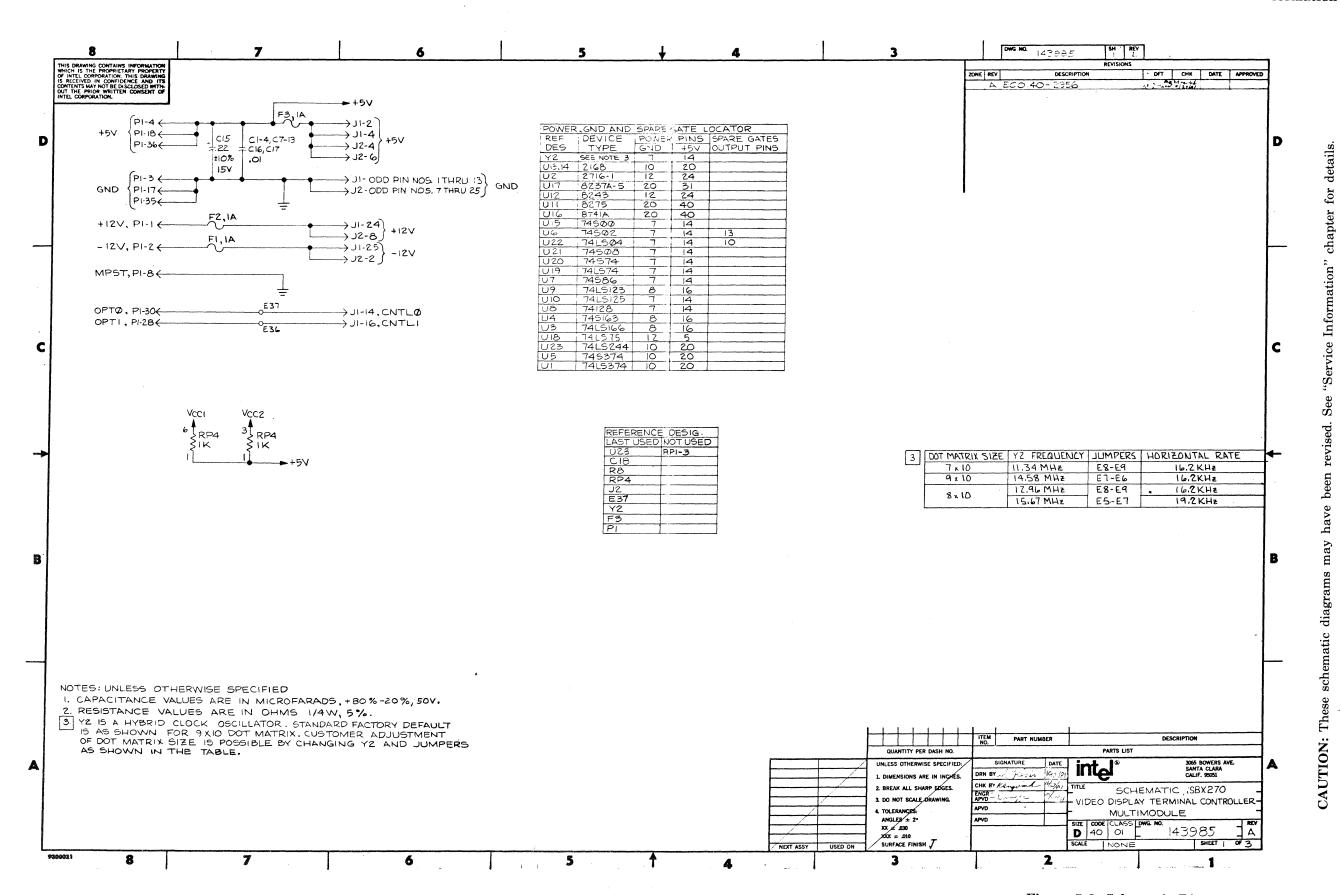


Figure 5-2. Schematic Diagram (page 1 of 3)

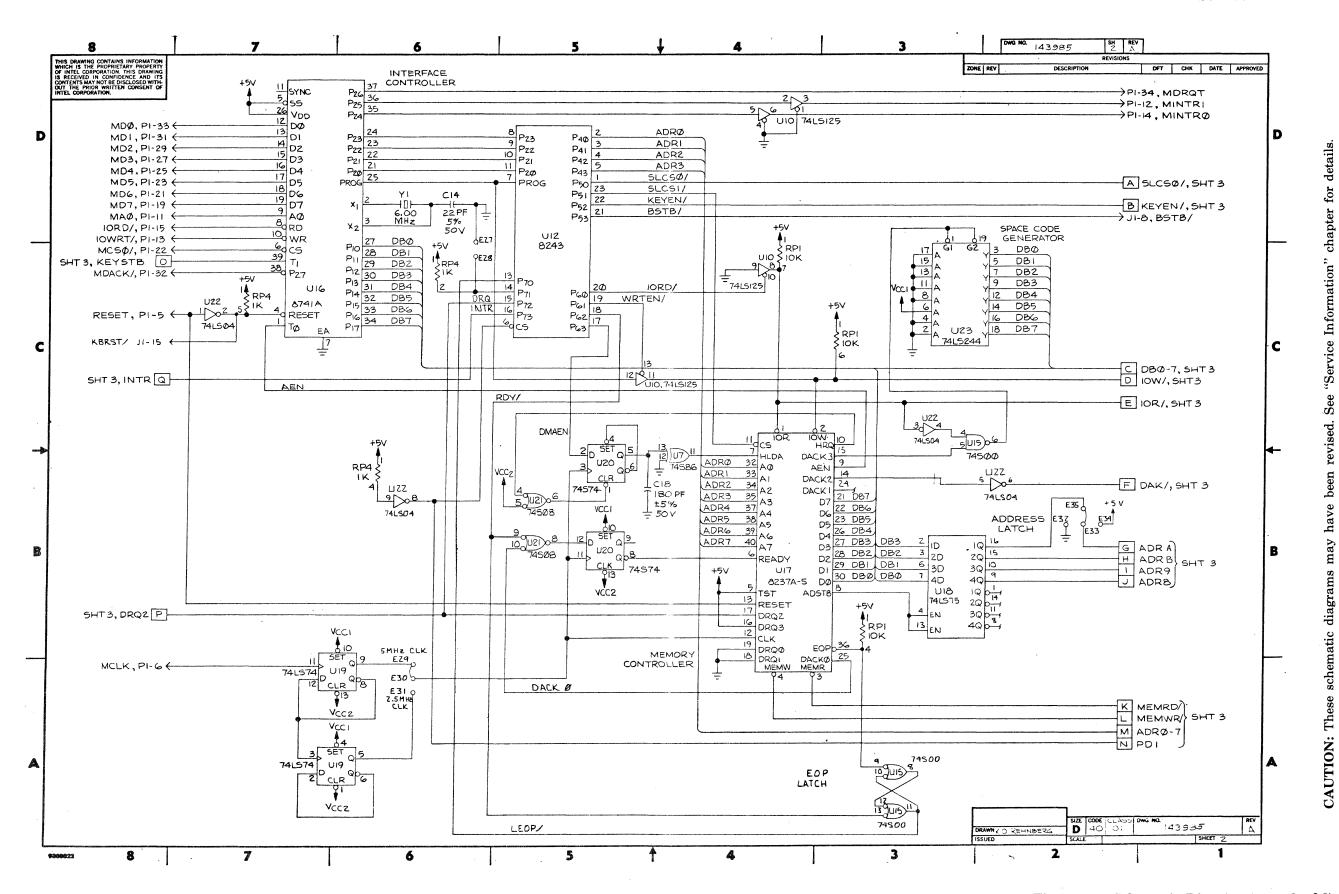


Figure 5-2. Schematic Diagram (page 2 of 3)

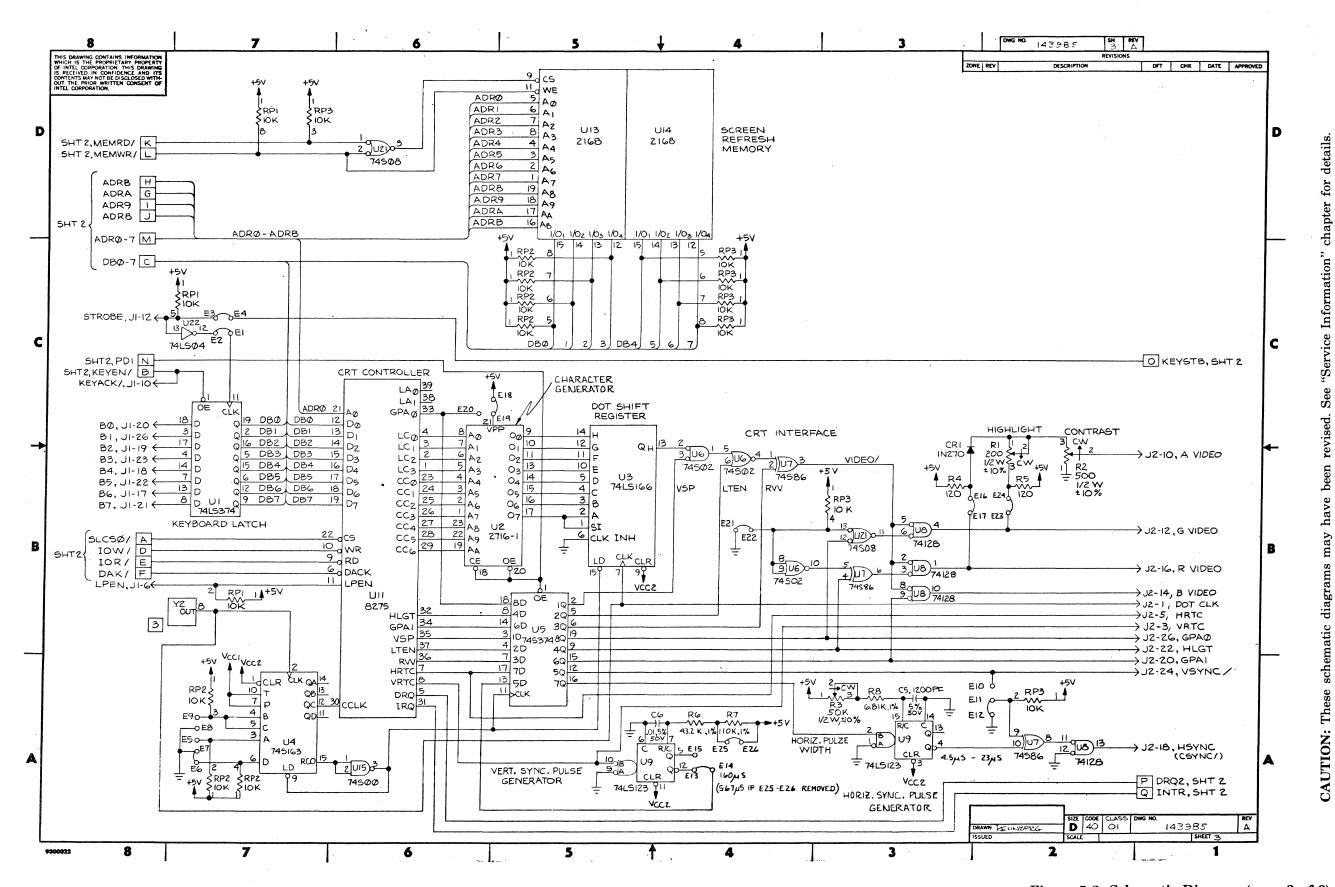


Figure 5-2. Schematic Diagram (page 3 of 3)

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Table 5-3. Glossary of Internal Signal Mnemonics

Code	Signal Mnemonic	Description
Α	SLCS0/	Slave Chip Select 0
В	KEYEN/	Keyboard Enable
С	DB0-DB7	Data Bus Bits 0-7
D	IOW/	I/O Write
E	IOR/	I/O Read
F	DAK/	DMA Acknowledge
G	ADR A	Address bit A
Н	ADR B	Address bit B
1	ADR 9	Address bit 9
J	ADR 8	Address bit 8
K	MEMRD/	Memory Read
L	MEMWR/	Memory Write
М	ADR0-ADR7	Address Bits 0-7
N	PD1	Pull Down 1
0	KEYSTB	Keyboard Strobe
Р	DRQ2	DMA Request
Q	INTR	Interrupt Request



APPENDIX A CHARACTER GENERATOR PROM PROGRAMMING

A-1. INTRODUCTION

The character font and special characters that are displayed on the CRT are stored in PROM U2. If the user desires to modify the character font or any of the special characters, PROM U2 must be modified. A machine readable source file of the character

generator PROM contents is available in the Insite library. Three versions are available: 7 x 9 (factory default), 6 x 8, or 5 x 7 character size.

Table A-1 is a hexadecimal listing of the contents of U2 as it is shipped from the factory.

Table A-1. Character Generator Contents

Address																	
ASCII CODE	0	1	2	3	4	5	Cha 6	racter 7	Line N 8	lumbe 9	r A	В	С	D	E	F	CHAR
000X	7F	7F	BF	9F	CF	E7	F3	F9	FC	FC	FC	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC0
001X	FC	FC	F9	F3	E7	CF	9F	BF	7F	7F	7F	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC1
002X	7C	7C	В9	93	C7	C7	93	В9	7C	7C	7C	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC2
003X	E7	E 7	E 7	E7	E7	E7	E7	E7	E7	E7	E7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC3
004X	E7	E7	E 7	E7	07	07	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC4
005X	FF	FF	FF	FF	07	07	E7	E7	E7	E7	E7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC5
006X	FF	FF	FF	FF	E0	E0	E7	E 7	E7	E 7	E7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC6
007X	E 7	E7	E7	E7	E0	E0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC7
008X	FF	FF	FF	FF	00	00	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC8
009X	E7	E 7	E7	E7	00	00	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC9
00AX	E7	E7	E7	E 7	07	07	E7	E7	E7	E7	E 7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC10
00BX	E7	E7	E7	E7	E0	E0	E7	E7	E7	E7	E7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC11
00CX	FF	FF	FF	FF	00	00	E7	E7	E7	E7	E7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC12
00DX	E7	E7	E7	E7	00	00	E7	E 7	E 7	E7	E7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC13
00EX	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC14
00FX	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC15
010X	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC16
011X	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC17
012X	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC18
013X	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC19
014X	00	00	00	00	00	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC20
015X	00	00	00	00	00	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC21
016X	00	00	00	00	00	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC22
017X	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	00	00	00	00	00	00	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC23
018X	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC24
019X	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC25
01AX	E0	E0	E0	E0	E0	00	00	00	00	00	00	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC26
01BX	0F	0F	0F	0F	0F	00	00	00	00	00	00	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC27
01CX	FF	FF	FF	83	83	83	83	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC28
01DX	7F	BF	DF	EF	E0	E0	EF	DF	BF	7F	7F	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC29
01EX	FC	FB	F7	EF	0F	0F	EF	F7	FB	FC	FC	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC30
01FX	E7	E 7	E7	E7	E7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	GC31
020X	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	SPACE
021X	F7	F7	F7	F7	F7	FF	F7	FF	FF.	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	!
022X	EB	EB	EB	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	"
023X	EB	EB	80	EB	80	EB	EB	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	#
024X	EB	81	EΑ	C1	AB	C0	EB	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	\$
025X	BD	DA	ED	F7	DB	AD	DE	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	%

Table A-1. Character Generator Contents (Continued)

Address																	
ASCII CODE	0	1	2	3	4	5	Char 6	acter 7	Line N 8	lumber 9	A	В	С	D	E	F	CHAR
026X	F3	ED	ED	F1	CE	DE	A1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	<u> </u>
027X	F7	FB	FD	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	,
028X	F7	FB	FD	FD	FD	FB	F7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	\subset
029X	F7	EF	DF	DF	DF	EF	F7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	\supset
02AX	F7	B6	D5	E 3	D5	В6	F7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	*
02BX	FF	F7	F7	C1	F7	F7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	+
02CX	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	F9	F9	FB	FD	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	•
02DX	FF	FF	FF	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	-
02EX	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	F9	F9	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	
02FX	BF	DF	EF	F7	FB	FD	FE	FE	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	/
030X	C1	9E	ΑE	В6	ВА	вс	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	0
031X	F7	F3	F5	F7	F7	F7	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	1
032X	C1	BE	DF	E3	FD	FE	80	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	2
033X	C1	BE	BF	C7	BF	BE	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	3
034X	EF	E7	EB	ED	80	EF	EF.	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	4
035X	80	FE	FE	C0	BF	BE	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	5
036X	83	FD	FE	C0	BE	BE	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	6
037X	80	DF	EF	F7	FB	FD	FD	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	7
037X 038X	C1	BE.	BE	C1	BE	BE	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	8
039X	C1	BE	BE	81	BF	DF	E0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF.	FF	FF	9
039X 03AX	FF	FF	F3	F3	FF	F3	F3	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	:
03AX 03BX	FF	FF	F3	F3	FF	F3	F3	F7	FB	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	•
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046X	80	FE	FE	F0	FE	FE.	FE	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	F
047X	C1	BE	FE	FE	86	BE	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	G
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Table A-1. Character Generator Contents (Continued)

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05BX	E0	FC	FC	FC	FC	FC	E0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	ĺ
05CX	FE	FD	FB	F7	EF	DF	BF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	`
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060X	FD	FB	F7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	1
061X	FF	FF	C3	BF	83	BD	83	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	а
062X	FD	FD	FD	C1	BD	BD	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	b
063X	FF	FF	C3	BD	FD	BD	C3	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	С
064X	BF	BF	BF	83	BD	BD	83	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	d
065X	FF	FF	C3	BD	C1	FD	83	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	е
066X	CF	B7	F7	E3	F7	F7	F7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	f
067X	FF	FF	83	BD	BD	83	BF	BF	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	g
068X	FD	FD	C5	В9	BD	BD	BD	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	h
069X	FF	F7	FF	F7	F7	F7	F7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	i
06AX	FF	BF	FF	BF	BF	BF	BF	BD	C3	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	j
06BX	FD	DD	ED	F5	E9	DD	BD	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	k
06CX	F7	F7	F7	F7	F7	F7	EF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	1
06DX	FF	FF	C9	B6	B6	В6	В6	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	m
06EX	FF	FF	C5	В9	BD	BD	BD	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	n
06FX	FF	FF	C3	BD	BD	BD	C3	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	o
070X	FF	FF	C1	BD	BD	C1	FD	FD	FD	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	р
071X	FF	FF	83	BD	BD	83	BF	BF	BF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	q
072X	FF	FF	C5	В9	FD	FD	FD	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	r
073X	FF	FF	83	FD	C3	BF	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	s
074X	FF	FB	FB	E0	FΒ	FB	C7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	t
075X	FF	FF	BD	BD	BD	BD	А3	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	u
076X	FF	FF	DD	DD	EB	F7	F7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	v
077X	FF	FF	BE	B6	B6	AΑ	DD	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	w
078X	FF	FF	DD	EB	F7	EB	DD	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	x
079X	FF	FF	BD	BD	BD	83	BF	BF	C1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	У
07AX	FF	FF	81	DF	EF	F7	83	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	z
07BX	C7	FB	FB	FD	FB	FB	C7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	{
07CX	F7	F7	F7	FF	F7	F7	F7	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	1
07DX	F1	EF	EF	DF	EF	EF	F1	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	}
07EX	FF	FF	F9	В6	CF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	~
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APPENDIX B CRT AND KEYBOARD CONNECTOR CONFIGURATIONS

B-1. INTRODUCTION

This appendix describes several different configurations for keyboards and CRTs that have been checked by Intel for compatibility with the iSBX 270 VDTC board. This information is for reference only. Refer to manufactures documentation for details. Table B-1 lists the manufacturer's addresses.

B-2. KEYBOARD CONNECTOR CONFIGURATIONS

The following tables describe some of the possible keyboard configurations. Any connector positions that are not listed should be left open. Figure B-1 shows the orientation for all the keyboard reference numbering drawings.

NOTE

Connector numbering may not agree with keyboard numbering.

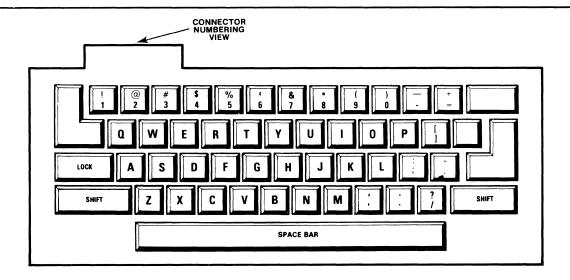


Figure B-1. Keyboard Connector Numbering Orientation

iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function	iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function
1 3 5 7 9 11 13 15 17 19 21 23 25	7 3 8 4 13	Ground Ground Ground Ground Ground Ground KBRST/ B6 B2 B7 B3 -12V	2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26	15 11 10 5 1 6	+5V +5V LPEN BSTB/ KEYACK/ STROBE CNTL 0 CNTL1 B4 B0 B5 +12V B1

iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function	iSBX 270 Connec		Function
1	Р	Ground	2	М	+5V
3	13	Ground	4	11	+5V
5		Ground	6 8		LPEN
7		Ground	8	į	BSTB/
9		Ground	10		KEYACK/
11		Ground	12	16	STROBE
13		Ground	14		CNTL 0
15		KBRST/	16	18	CNTL1
17	7	₿6	18	5	B4
19	3	B2	20		B0
21	8	B7	22	! 6	B5
23	4	B3	24		+12V
25		-12V	26	2	B1

iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1			yboa nnec			ا ا	unc	tion)		i			270 ecto					yboa			Function
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Keyboard Numbering:	Z 22	Y 21	X 19	W 18	V 17	T 16	S 15	R 14	P 13	N 12	M 11	L 10	К 9	J 8	H 7	F 6	E	D 4	C 3	B 2	A 1	

SBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function	iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Function Connector	
1	2	Ground	2	R	+5V
3		Ground	4		+5V
5		Ground	6		LPEN
7		Ground	8		BSTB/
9	ļ	Ground	10		KEYACK/
11		Ground	12	3	STROBE
13		Ground	14	7	CNTL 0
15		KBRST/	16	8	CNTL1
17	15	B6	18	13	B4
19	11	B2	20	9	B0
21	16	B7	22	14	B5
23	12	B3	24		+12V
25	4	-12V	26	10	B1

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KEYBOARD TYPE: CORTRON 35-500014

KEYBOARD CONNECTOR TYPE: Berg 20 pin header

iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function	iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function
1 3 5 7 9 11 13 15 17 19 21 23 25	19 17 10 7 11 4	Ground Ground Ground Ground Ground Ground KBRST/ B6 B2 B7 B3 -12V	2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22 24 26	18 20 9 3 8 2 6	+5V +5V LPEN BSTB/ KEYACK/ STROBE CNTL 0 CNTL1 B4 B0 B5 +12V B1

NOTE:

Cut trace on keyboard at U8-15 to inhibit second strobe generated from key release. Data from keyboard is non ASCII encoded and is inverted.

Keyboard Numbering: 19 17 15 13 11 9 7 5 3 1 20 18 16 14 12 10 8 6 4 2

KEYBOARD TYPE: KEYTRONIC L1648

KEYBOARD CONNECTOR TYPE: 12 position edge connector, double readout

SBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function	iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function
1	1	Ground	2	2	+5V
3]	Ground	4		+5V
5		Ground	1 6		LPEN
7		Ground	8	BSTB/	
9		Ground	10		KEYACK/
11		Ground	12	D	STROBE
13		Ground	14	J	CNTL 0
15		KBRST/	16	K	CNTL1
17	9	B6	18	11	B4
19	5	B2	20	7	B0
21	3	B7	22	10	B5
23	4	B3	24		+12V
25		-12V	26	6	l B1

NOTE:

Keyboard does not have lower case alpha.

Keyboard Numbering: N M L K H G F E D C B A
12 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

KEYBOARD TYPE: KEYTRONIC L1660 KEYBOARD CONNECTOR TYPE: 10 position edge connector, double readout

SBX 270 VDTC Connector J1			yboa nnec			F	unc	tion			iSBX 270 Connec		board nector	Function	
1			С			(Grou	ınd			2		В	+5V	
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5	İ						Groι	ınd			6			LPEN	
7	ì					1 (Groι	ınd			8			BSTB/	
9	- 1					1 (Groι	ınd			10			KEYACK/	′
11	- 1					(Grou	ınd			12		F	STROBE	
13	1					(Grou	ınd			14			CNTL 0	
15							KBR	ST/			16	;		CNTL1	
17			6				B6				18	3	8	B4	
19			2			[32				20)	4	B0	
21			5			1	B7				22	.	7	B5	
23			1			6	В3				24			+12V	
25			Α			-	-12V				26	5	3	B1	
Keyboard	L	K	J	Н	F	E	D	С	В	Α					
Numbering:	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1					

KEYBOARD TYPE: KEYTRONIC L1674-03 KEYBOARD CONNECTOR TYPE: 10 position edge connector, double readout

SBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function	iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function
1	4	Ground	2	6	+5V
3		Ground	4		+5V
5		Ground	6		LPEN
7		Ground	8		BSTB/
9		Ground	10		KEYACK/
11		Ground	12	Α	STROBE
13		Ground	14	В	CNTL 0
15	l .	KBRST/	16	С	CNTL1
17	E	B6	18	F	B4
19	L	B2	20	9	B0
21	10	B7	22	Н	B5
23	K	B3	24		+12V
25		-12V	26	J	B1

NOTE:

Data from keyboard is non ASCII encoded and is inverted.

Keyboard Numbering:

LKJHFEDCBA 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 2 3

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KEYBOARD TYPE: KEYTRONIC L1752
KEYBOARD CONNECTOR TYPE: 10 position edge connector, double readout Keyboard Connector iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1 **iSBX 270 VDTC Function** Keyboard **Function** Connector J1 Connector 2 B 2 4 6 Ground +5V Ground Ground +5V LPEN 3 5 7 9 Α Ground BSTB/ 8 Ground 10 KEYACK/ 12 14 STROBE CNTL 0 11 Ground 7 13 Ground 11 KBRST/ CNTL1 15 16 8 5 3 E 17 6 B6 18 В4 4 F D 20 22 24 19 B2 BO 21 23 B7 B5 В3 +12V С 25 -12V 26 В1 2 3 5 7 6 9 10 11 12 Keyboard 4 8 A В С D Ε F Н Numbering: L M

iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function	iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function
1	3	Ground	2	1	+5V
3	4	Ground	4	2	+5V
5		Ground	6		LPEN
7		Ground	6 8		BSTB/
9	į .	Ground	10		KEYACK/
11		Ground	12	12	STROBE
13		Ground	14	12 5	CNTL 0
15		KBRST/	16	-	CNTL1
17	1 L	B6	18	J	B4
19	ĪĒ	B2	20	Ď	BO
21	M	B7	22	K	B5
23	H	B3	24		+12V
25	6	-12V	26	Ε	B1

KEYBOARD TYPE: MICROSWITCH 87SD30-8
KEYBOARD CONNECTOR TYPE: 26 pin header

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SBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function	iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J1	Keyboard Connector	Function
1	14	Ground	2	16	+5V
3	15	Ground	4	17	+5V
5		Ground	6		LPEN
7	1	Ground	8		BSTB/
9		Ground	10	24	KEYACK/
11		Ground	12	25	STROBE
13		Ground	14		CNTL 0
15	16	KBRST/	16		CNTL1
17	7	B6	18	5	B4
19	3	B2	20	1	В 0
21	8	B7	22	6	B5
23	4	B3	24		+12V
25		-12V	26	2	B1

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B-3. BLACK AND WHITE CRT CONNECTOR CONFIGURATIONS

black and white CRT connector configurations. Any connector positions that are not listed should be left open.

The following table describes some of the possible

CRT TYPE: BALL BROTHERS TTL 120, TV 120, TV 50 Black and white

MOTOROLA M3570 Black and white

TSD MDC-15 black and white

ELSTON DM30-12B0-51-A04 high resolution black and white

CRT CONNECTOR TYPE: 10 pin edge connector — Cinch 251-10-90-160 or equivalent

	•	<u> </u>			
iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J2	CRT Connector	Function	iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J2	CRT Connector	Function
1 3 5 7 9 11 13	1	Ground Ground Ground Ground Ground Ground Ground	2 4 6 8 10 12 14	-12V 8	+5V +5V +12V VIDEO G VIDEO B VIDEO R VIDEO
17 19 21 23 25	10	Ground Ground Ground Ground Ground	18 20 22 24 26	6 9	HSYNC GPA1 HLGT VSYNC/ GPA0

NOTES:

Use twisted pair between CRT pins 8 and 10, 6 and 10, and 9 and 10. Place a 150 ohm resistor between CRT pins 8 and 10 on all except Motorola. for CRT TV 120, 12 or 15 volt dc power must be supplied to pins 1 and 7. External brightness control is option (user supplied and installed.)

Keyboard
 Numbering:

10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

B-4. COLOR CRT CONNECTOR CONFIGURATIONS

COLOR CRT connector configurations. Any connector positions that are not listed should be left open.

The following table describes some of the possible

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CRT TYPE: BALL BROTHERS 7-015-0131 color INDUSTRIAL DATA TERMINALS 19AC color CONRAC 5711C13 color CRT CONNECTOR TYPE: Coax/BNC

iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J2	Function	iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J2	Function	
12	G VIDEO	14	B VIDEO	
16	R VIDEO	18	CSYNC/	

NOTES: Use 75 ohm coax for all connections.

CRT TYPE: NEC 1202DH Color CRT CONNECTOR: Coax/Special (supplied with monitor)				
iSBX 270 VDTC Connector J2	CRT Connector	Function		
11 12 13 14 15 16	1 3* 5 4* 6 2* 7 & 8*	Ground G Video Ground B Video Ground R Video CSYNC/		

*Connect a 75 ohm, ¼ watt resistor from the indicated pin to ground for termination.

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Ball Brothers

Manufacturer's References

Advanced Input Devices

Ball Electronic Display Division

St. Paul, Minnesota 55164

P.O. Box 43376

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Cherry	Cherry Electrical Products Corp. 3600 Sunset Ave. Waukegan, Illinois 60085
Chomerics	Chomerics 77 Dragon Court Woburn, Massachusetts 01888
Cortron	Cortron 400 W. Grand Ave. Elmhurst, Illinois 60126
Keytronic	Keytronic International Keyboards P.O. Box 14687 Spokane, Washington 99214
Microswitch	Microswitch Freeport, Illinois 60132

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1155 Harvester Road

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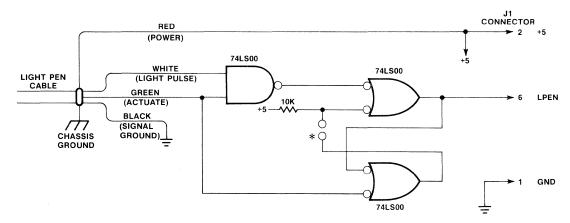
809 Wellington Street, N.

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B-5. LIGHT PEN CONNECTIONS

TYPE: INFORMATION CONTROL LP-770-P-LH-AH-R

Light Pen Cable is supplied without a connector. The following gating circuit is required:



*NOTES:

The light pen tip is touch-activated. If the indicated jumper is installed, one light pen "hit" will be registered when the light pen is touched to the screen. In order to register another hit, the pen tip must be raised from the screen and reactuated. If the indicated jumper is removed, multiple light pen hits will be registered (one per frame) allowing the selected symbol to be "dragged".





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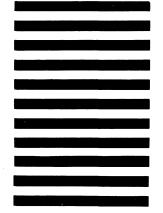
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