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Z8052 CRTC

Alphanumeric CRT Controller
PRELIMINARY PRODUCT SPECIFICATION

DISTINCTIVE CHARACTERISTICS

- On-chip DMA capability, operating via linked-list data structures
- Three on-chip row buffers, each 132 characters by 20 bits support split-screen soft-scrolling
- General purpose microprocessor interface. Compatible with 8086, Z8000[®] and 68000 CPUs.
- Soft-scrolling capability, with minimal CPU overhead
- Multiple vertical and horizontal screen divisions, with optional soft-scrolling within a window
- Character attributes (12 bits) can be invoked on a character by character basis
- · Flexible vertical and horizontal sync control
- Flexible blanking for control of front and back porch positions
- Non-interlace, repeat field interlace, video interlace options
- High resolution five-bit character generator row addressing
- . 16M byte system memory addressing capability
- Programmable blink options for cursors and characters

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Z8052 CRT Controller is a general purpose interface device for raster scan CRT displays. The CRTC provides efficient manipulation of complex character formats and screen structures to allow sophisticated text display without undue CPU overhead.

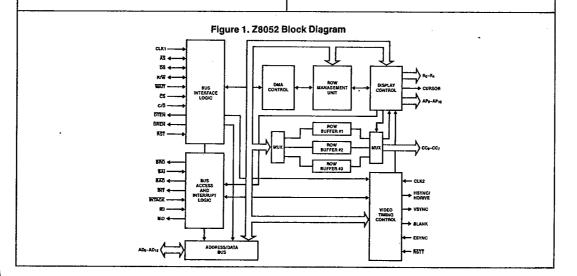
The CRTC is a register oriented product that is fully user programmable. The timing definition and operating modes are initialized by the host CPU. Display formats are real-time programmable on a row by row basis. Character attributes are specified on a character or field basis, and are interpreted and acted upon during active display of a character

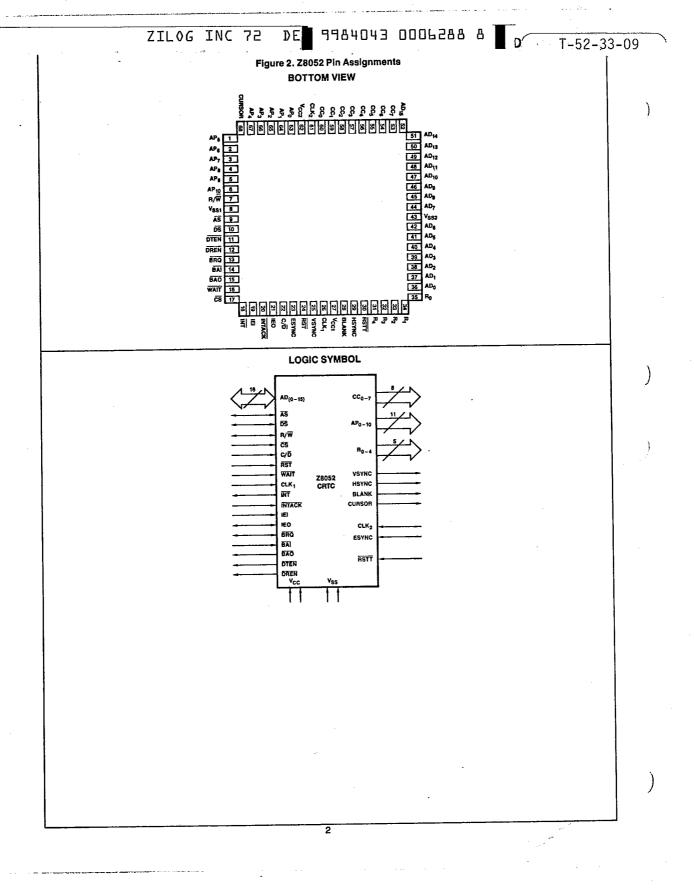
Internal DMA capability assures efficient transfer of display information to the three on-chip line buffers. These three line buffers prevent screen flashing in split-screen soft-scrolling operations. The DMA loads the line buffers via linked list data blocks which facilitates editing and text composition.

The Z8052, in conjunction with the Z8152A bipolar video system controller, allows for the flexible assignment of visual attributes. The twelve attribute bits stored in the Z8052 include superscript, subscript, blink, highlight, reverse, underline, strike through and cursor. Both character and cursor can be made to blink at three different rates and the blink duty cycle is programmable. Further flexibility is achieved by the Z8152A which allows the video stream to be manipulated by selection of background and foreground as well as background/foreground reversal.

The Z8052 and Z8152A combination also supports proportional spacing, text justification and double width characters.

The Z8052 CRTC is assembled in a 68-pin LCC package, while the bipolar Z8152A VSC is assembled in a 48-pin DiP. These interface circuits are available as a chip-set for high performance CRT applications.





INTERFACE SIGNAL DESCRIPTION

All inputs and outputs of the CRTC are TTL compatible, unless otherwise indicated. Figure 2 shows the device pin-out.

V_{SS1}, V_{SS2}

V_{CC1}, V_{CC2}

+5V Power Supply

CLK₁

Timing Clock, Input

The Clock1 signal controls and times the DMA and peripheral portion of the CRTC. In proportional spacing applications, where CLK2 is variable, CLK₁ must be used to time the horizontal and vertical sync rates. CLK1 is non-TTL compatible, and is normally driven by the Z8152A/ 8153A VSC.

CLK₂ Display Clock, Input

The Clock2 signal is used to time character accesses from the CRTC line buffers. In applications which do not use proportional spacing CLK2 is fixed in frequency and can be used to time horizontal and vertical sync rates, allowing CLK₁, the system clock, to be unrelated and asynchronous to the display timing. CLK2 is non-TTL compatible, and should be driven by the VSC.

Address/Data Bus, Input/Output, AD0-AD15

Three-State

The Address/Data Bus is a multiplexed, bidirectional, high-true, three-state bus. The presence of addresses is defined by the AS signal and the presence of data is defined by the DS signal. When the CRTC is in control of the system via its internal DMA capability, it controls the AD Bus; when the CRTC is idle, the CPU or other external devices control the AD Bus and may use it to access the internal registers of the CRTC. The high-order 8-bit memory address is output on the AD0-AD7 lines. Interrupt Vector information is also output on the AD₀-AD₇ lines.

ĀS Address Strobe, Input/Output,

Three-State

Address strobe is a bidirectional, active-LOW, three-state signal. When the CRTC is in slave mode, and the bus master is accessing the CRTC's internal registers, AS can be used to optionally latch CS and C/D information during the first part of the transaction. During a DMA operation when the CRTC is in control of the system, AS is an output generated by the CRTC to indicate a valid address on the bus. In slave mode, the AS signal may be asynchronous to CLK₁.

Data Strobe, Input/Output, DS

Three-State

Data Strobe is a bidirectional, active-LOW, three-state signal. When the CRTC is in slave mode, and the external system is transferring information to or from it, DS is a timing input used by the CRTC to move data to or from the AD bus. In the slave mode, the DS signal may be asynchronous to CLK₁. During a DMA operation when the CRTC is in control of the system, DS is an output generated by the CRTC and used by the system to move data onto the AD

Chip Select, input

The CS input is an active LOW signal used by the host processor to select the CRTC for a

slave transfer.

WAIT Wait, Input

CS

The WAIT input is an active LOW signal used to stretch the DS strobe whenever the CRTC has access to the host's bus for data transfer. The status of the WAIT signal is sampled on the falling

edge CLK_1 during T_2 or T_W .

R/W Read/Write, Input/Output, Three-State

Read/Write is a bidirectional, three-state signal indicating the data direction for the bus transaction under way, and remains stable for the length of the bus cycle. When $\overline{\text{CS}}$ input is active, Read (HIGH) indicates that the system is requesting data from the CRTC and Write (LOW) indicates that the system is presenting data to the CRTC. On the other hand, during a DMA operation when the CRTC is in control of the system, R/W is an output generated by the CRTC, with Read indicating that data is being requested by the CRTC from the addressed memory location, and Write indicating that the CRTC is driving a high-order

address to an external latch.

BRQ Bus Request, Input/Output

When the CRTC requires use of the bus for DMA activity, the BRQ line is driven LOW. It remains LOW until it has ceased using the bus.

BAI Bus Acknowledge In, Input

Bus acknowledge in is an active LOW input. When the CRTC requires host bus access and has successfully pulled its BRQ pin LOW, a BAI LOW input signifies that the CRTC has obtained bus mastership after having internally synchronized its BAI active LOW input for two clock periods of CLK₁. The synchronization is required to alleviate metastable problems. When the CRTC does not require host bus access, the BAI input ripples to the BAO. Forcing BAI HIGH would

causes the Z8052 to relinquish the bus.

This pin is the cursor output indicator.

Cursor, Output

External Sync, Input **ESYNC**

CURSOR

This pin is the external synchronization input line. If the ES bit in the mode register is set, the vertical frame scan will commence after the rising edge

of ESYNC.

HSYNC Horizontal Sync, Output

HSYNC is an active HIGH output used to cause horizontal retrace of the CRT's electron beam. The output is held active LOW while the CRTC is reset to prevent unknown synchronization to the CRT which may cause damage to high bandwidth tubes. Note that this pin can also be

initialized as Horizontal Drive.

Vertical Sync, Output **VSYNC**

VSYNC is an active HIGH output used to cause vertical retrace of the CRT's electron beam. VSYNC can be optionally synchronized by the ESYNC input. VSYNC is held LOW while the CRTC is reset to prevent damage to the CRT.

BLANK

Blank Video, Output

BLANK is an active HIGH output. It serves to blank out inactive display areas of the CRT. The output is held active while the CRTC is reset.

R0-R4

Row Control, Outputs

 $\ensuremath{\text{R}_0} - \ensuremath{\text{R}_4}$ outputs are active HIGH. These outputs represent the binary count of the active scan line being displayed. These outputs address the least significant address portion of an external character generator. The outputs are all held high for those scan lines that do not carry active video during normal character or superscript/ subscript display.

CC0-CC7

Character Code Outputs

CC₀-CC₇ outputs are active HIGH. The 8-bit character port, CC₀-CC₇, outputs eight bits of data stored in the character code section of the line buffer currently being displayed.

INT

Interrupt Request, Output, Open Drain

This line is used to indicate an interrupt request to the host processor. It is driven LOW by the CRTC, until an interrupt acknowledge is received on the INTACK pin, or the relevant IP or IE bits in Mode Register 2 are reset.

INTACK

Interrupt Acknowledge, Input

When INTACK is driven LOW, the CRTC examines its IEI line to determine whether it has been granted an acknowledge by the CPU. It also starts priority resolution of the daisy chain. When DS is active the vector is placed on the bus if enabled.

ΙΕŧ

Interrupt Enable-in, input

A HIGH on IEI during an Interrupt Acknowledge cycle is regarded as an interrupt acknowledge to the CRTC. A LOW on IEI during Interrupt Acknowledge signifies that a higher priority interrupt on the daisy chain is being ac-

knowledged.

IEO

Interrupt Enable-Out, Output

IEO follows IEI during Interrupt Acknowledge if the CRTC has not made an interrupt request.

IEO LOW disables lower priority devices from making interrupt requests.

DTEN, DREN Data Transmit Enable, Data Receive Enable, Outputs, Open Drain

Data Transmit Enable and Data Receive Enable are used to control bus transceivers external to the CRTC, should they be required. When DTEN is low, the transceivers should transmit from the CRTC onto the bus. When DREN is low, the transceivers should receive data from the bus. DTEN and DREN are never low simultaneously.

C/D Command/Data, Input

C/D is used by the CRTC when in slave mode, to determine if an I/O transaction with the host CPU is transferring a command or data. When the CRTC is not involved in an I/O transaction with the host, C/\overline{D} is disregarded.

Attribute Port Outputs AP0-AP10

These 11 lines are used to display character attribute information synchronous with each character and CLK2. During horizontal SYNC, the row attribute information contained in the Row Redefinition Block is output on AP0-AP10.

BAO Bus Acknowledge Out, Output

BAO output is forced active HIGH when the CRTC requests bus mastership, otherwise the BAI input ripples out of the CRTC via the BAO output.

RST Reset, Input

A Low on this input for at least 5 clock cycles is interpreted as a reset signal. The effect of reset is to drive all CRTC bus signals into the highimpedance state, to clear all mode bits except bits 9 through 15 in MR2, and to force the CRTC into slave mode.

RSTT Test Reset, Input

For test use only. This pin is a No Connect.

TABLE 1.

Attribute	Effect
Reverse	Causes the designated character to be displayed in reverse video.
Highlight	- Highlights the applicable character.
Blink	Blinks the designated character at one of four programmed blink rates.
Underline	- Underlines the designated character at a programmable scan line.
Subscript	Causes the character to be displayed as a subscript.
Superscript	Causes the character to be displayed as a superscript.
Shifted Underline	- A second underline.
Cursor	- Causes the attribute or X-Y cursor to be displayed at the designated character position.
Latched	- Indicates that the attribute should be latched for all successive characters until changed.
Ignore	 Causes the CRTC to skip over the designated characters. Useful for embedded control characters and protected fields that do not get displayed.
User Definable	Four attribute bits reserved for user definition.

FUNCTIONAL OVERVIEW

The block diagram of the Z8052 CRTC is shown in Figure 1. Communication with the external host system takes place over the 16-bit Address/Data bus, AD_0-AD_{15} . Transfers over the AD bus are controlled by the \overline{CS} , C/\overline{D} , \overline{AS} , \overline{DS} , and R/\overline{W} lines. When the CRTC is in slave mode, these four bus control lines are inputs. When the CRTC is in DMA mode. \overline{AS} , R/\overline{W} and \overline{DS} are outputs and control the external bus.

Following reset, the host system initializes the CRTC's timing and control registers, as well as one address pointer to the start of the display data location in the host memory. Following initialization and upon command from the host, the CRTC takes over bus control from the host and transfers display row control data, character code, and character attribute data. The CRTC requests the host bus by sampling the BRQ line for activity; if the BRQ line is HIGH, the CRTC drives it LOW, and also drives BAO HIGH, to obtain priority over lower priority bus requestors. The on-chip DMA Controller circuit controls the data transfer and performs character data loading into the on-board line buffers.

The CRTC is real-time programmable on a character row by row basis through a row control data block fetched either from the host memory or from a dedicated display memory. The row control block contains address links to the next row's row control block, a character and attribute data address for the current row and other pertinent control functions for the row. Data from the row control block is transfered into the appropriate set of registers for active control of display and data fetch operations during the subsequent display of character row data. A Top Of Page register contains the address of the Main Definition Block for the screen. The Main Definition Block in turn, points to the first Row Control Block. The character row data, comprised of character code and attribute (if the latter is specified), is fetched starting at the address and for the character length obtained from the Row Control Block. The character code and its attribute consist of a 20-bit wide word which is stored, FIFO style, into one of the three on-board 132-character by 20-bit line buffers. Character attributes are on a character by character basis and are interpreted and acted upon by the CRTC during the active display period of the contents of a line buffer. Output lines CC0-CC7 form the transfer path for character code data to an external matrix type character generator, while the character attribute, after selective masking, is interpreted and combined with the resulting video.

Output lines R₀ – R₄ exhibit the scan line number for the specific character being displayed, while the character Row Control logic

allows alteration of the scan line number output at the R_0-R_4 lines to enable the display of normal superscript or subscript characters.

The HSYNC, VSYNC and BLANK output lines provide the CRT synchronization signals. The Horizontal and Vertical Control logic blocks contain counters and host programmable registers for deriving the timing signals from either the CLK1 or the CLK2 input as well as an ESYNC input line for frame synchronization to an external source, such as the power line frequency. CLK2 runs at the display character rate. It is a submultiple of the dot clock, whose frequency is determined by the Z8152A oscillator. CLK2 controls the CRT synchronization lines HSYNC and VSYNC, as well as BLANK, and the rate of character output from the CRTC. CLK1, which may be asynchronous to CLK2, controls all DMA and related bus activity, associated with the CRTC. In proportional spacing applications CLK1 may be also used to time the synchronization signals.

CHARACTER ATTRIBUTES

Character attributes affect various CRTC output signals and other operations on a character by character basis. Each attribute word occupies a 16-bit word in memory. Each character, however, need not invoke a new attribute.

Character attributes are stored in parallel with the corresponding character code in each line buffer.

The character attribute information which makes up the character attribute word is shown below:

AVV15	Latcheo/uniatched	AVV7	User definable
AW ₁₄	Cursor/definable	AW ₆	Highlight
AW ₁₃	Ignore	AW ₅	Reverse
AW ₁₂	Reserved	AW ₄	Superscript
AW ₁₁	Reserved	AW ₃	Subscript
AW ₁₀	User definable	AW ₂	Shifted underline/
AW ₉	User definable		strike through
AW ₈	User definable	AW ₁	Underline
		ΑWo	Blink

DESCRIPTION OF CHARACTER ATTRIBUTES

LATCHED/UNLATCHED

When this bit is set to 1 ("latched") the attribute information applies to all characters following the character that invoked the attribute word. Only the presence of a further latched attribute word cancels the effect of a previous latched attribute word. If the Latched/Unlatched bit is set to 0, ("unlatched")

then the attribute information only applies to the character that invoked the attribute word. All successive characters are modified by the latched attribute information that was valid prior to the unlatched attribute word. The Latched/Unlatched bit is not output to the attribute port. The initial state of the latched attribute value is undefined. At the start of any horizontal line, the latched attribute information is the same as at the end of the previous line, unless changed by a further latched attribute.

CURSOR

If this bit is set, then a cursor is displayed at the affected character position(s), dependent upon the mode of the cursor display logic. See the section on cursor display for further details.

IGNORE

When the ignore is set, it inhibits the loading of the associated character into the CRTC line buffer. Such character(s) may be used as control character or software tags, and are not displayed. Whenever the ignore encoding is detected, both the attribute word and its associated character code are not written into the line buffer, unless the DH (Display Hidden) bit in Mode Register 1 is set. Note that the ignore bit is not brought out to the attribute port.

USER DEFINABLE

The $AW_7 - AW_{10}$ attribute bits provide 4 bits of user definable attribute information. These bits are directly output on pins $AP_7 - AP_{10}$ of the attribute port. (In addition to these four user definable attribute bits, the cursor bit can also be user definable under certain conditions.)

HIGHLIGHT

When this bit is set and AP₆ is connected to the FS input of the Z8152A the character is displayed highlighted. The AP₆ pin of the attribute port goes active for each scan line of the relevant character(s).

REVERSE

When this bit is set and AP₅ is connected to the REV input of the Z8152A, the character is displayed reversed. The AP₅ pin of the attribute port goes active for each scan line of the relevant character(s).

SUPERSCRIPT

When this bit is set to 1, the affected character is displayed as a superscript. Its position on the character row (R_0-R_4) is determined by the superscript control field in the row redefinition block, for that particular row.

SUBSCRIPT

When this bit is set, the affected character is displayed as a subscript. Its position on the character row (R_0-R_4) is deter-

mined by the subscript control fields in the row redefinition

UNDERLINE/SHIFTED UNDERLINE

Attribute bits AW₁ and AW₂ provide underline and shifted underline display. The underline/shifted underline display information is output on the AP₁ and AP₂ attribute port pins, during applicable scan lines of the character. (The applicable scan lines have been programmed within the row redefinition blocks.)

BLINK

When this attribute is invoked, the attribute port pin AP₀ is gated with the character blink rate generator, during the time that the relevant character is output on $CC_0 - CC_7$.

The character blink rate and character blink duty cycle are derived from the blink field of the Main Definition block.

ATTRIBUTE FETCHES

Attributes can be fetched in three different ways to suit most design philosophies (see Figure 4). In Option 1, one attribute is fetched per character. This option, although straightforward, imposes heavy bus overhead since the DMA has to access the attribute list from memory for every character displayed on the screen. Bus overhead can be reduced considerably by fetching attributes on a demand basis. Option 2 and 3 accomplish this in two different ways. In Option 2 one character bit is set to 1 when an attribute is required. When this bit is set to 0, the attribute will not be fetched. This option allows 7 bits of character code or a 128 character set for display with no overhead for attribute incorporation.

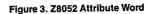
Option 3 makes use of an 8-bit flag which precedes the character invoking the attribute. This option allows for a 255 character set with an 8-bit overhead (the flag) per attribute.

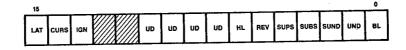
CURSOR GENERATION

The CRTC can generate three different cursor formats: block, underline, and reverse, at variable blink rates and blink duty cycles.

Cursor information for the CRTC comes from two different sources, and each source can be independently steered to one of three different destinations. The two cursor sources are:

- The XY cursor field which is held in the Main Definition Block for the screen.
- Attribute Word bit 14 of the character attribute word. A
 cursor designated by an attribute will follow its row and
 character position whenever text is scrolled. The cursor
 controlled by positioning X and Y coordinates within the
 cursor X and Y register will be displayed on a fixed X, Y
 character position on the screen. The X, Y cursor should be
 disabled by resetting the CUE bit in Mode Register 2 during
 soft scroll.





The steering of the cursor sources is under software control of the cursor mask field within mode register 2. The field is divided into two three-bit segments, one for the XY cursor and one for the attribute cursor. Three destinations are selectable for each cursor source:

- (a) The cursor pin
- (b) The underline pin
- (c) The reverse video pin.

If (a) is selected, then either the whole character cell or partial character cell is selectable. If whole is selected, the cursor pin will be active for every scan line of the character cell. If part is selected, then the cursor pin will only be active for those scan lines within the limits of CURSOR START and CURSOR END, as specified in the row-redefinition information.

If (b) is selected, then either an underline will be active, if CURSOR START and END have the same values, or a block, if CURSOR START and END are not coincident.

If (c) is selected, then either all or part of the character will be reversed, dependent upon the CURSOR START and CURSOR END setting as explained in (b).

In addition to these choices, either cursor can be made to blink, at the cursor blink rate, and duty cycle, as programmed into the main definition block blink field.

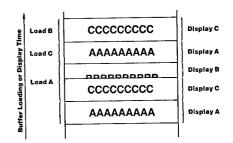
ROW BUFFERS

The on-chip DMA controller accesses the display memory and loads data from linked-list data blocks in memory into one of three row buffers. Each line buffer is 132 characters in length and 20 bits wide. Each 20-bit wide location accommodates an 8-bit character code and 12-bit attribute words. The row buffers operate in a rotating fill-display mode whereby one buffer is being loaded while another is being displayed.

The presence of three row buffers on-chip is of significant advantage in split screen soft-scrolling operations where a character row may only be displayed for a single scan line. With two row buffers, this would not leave enough time for the reloading of the alternate line buffer. A partially filled buffer results in screen flashing. This can only be prevented by incorporating three line buffers. Figure 5 highlights this advantage.

Note that only the shaded row buffers are scrolling on the horizontally split screen.

Figure 5. Triple Row Buffers



In the rotating fill-display mode, Row Buffer C is displayed when Row Buffer B is being loaded. Likewise the next Row Buffer C is loaded while Row Buffer A is being displayed. Because of the split-screen, Row Buffer B is displayed for one scan line only, while Row Buffer A is being loaded. By virtue of the third row buffer the loading of Buffer A can spill over into the next buffer display, thus eliminating screen flashing.

SOFT-SCROLLING

A soft-scroll is defined as the gradual displacement of a character row on a scan line by scan line basis. Soft-scrolling is achieved by a gradual offsetting of the scan line counter, on a frame by frame basis. At the start of the scroll, the offset counter is set to zero or equal to the number of scan lines per character row depending on whether the scroll is up or down. As the counter is incremented or decremented, the text travels up or down until the offset is equal to the number of scan lines or zero. The start of the screen pointer pointing to the character row is adjusted and the offset counter reset simultaneously to scroll the next successive character row. Soft-scrolling of the entire screen is thus a simple task. However, implementing a split screen soft-scroll is cost prohibitive and complex in MSI.

A number of applications require screen overlays, such as menu or status areas which must remain static while the major portion of the screen is scrolling or vice versa. The Z8052 can support multiple windows, with each being independently scrollable. This feature is described in detail in the following section.

LINKED LIST DATA STRUCTURES

The DMA channel on the Z8052 operates via linked list structures that allow for the overlaying and independent soft-scrolling of windows. The linked list data structures are particularly suited to the manipulation of data strings where insertions and deletions are common. A typical CRTC Linked List Structure is shown in Figure 6.

The linked list consists of Row Control Blocks (RCBs) for each character row on the screen. The RCB does not contain any displayable data, but contains the address which points to the character information. Each RCB is linked to the next block via an address link word (RCB ADR). The structure of the RCB linkage is shown in Figure 7. The Top of Page register on-chip points to the Main Definition Block which in turn points to a linked list of RCBs.

The Z8052 allows for the separation of attribute and character lists. By extending the RCB, split screen segments can be constructed as in the case of RCB2 in Figure 7. In parallel with the screen or background data structure, there exists a window structure which contains Window Control Blocks (WCBs) for each row of each window. Windows can exist in any position on the screen and are overlayed on top of the screen or background information. For example, the structure shown in Figure 8 could be used to implement a menu overlay at the top of the screen together with a status overlay.

MAIN DEFINITION BLOCK

The Main Definition Block is a set of control data and addresses, located in the system memory, which allow the user to specify screen oriented features. The TOP OF PAGE register points to the first word of the Main Definition Block. Cursor position, fill code and scroll rate are set by the appropriate fields within the block. The Main Definition Block also points to the first Row Control Block.

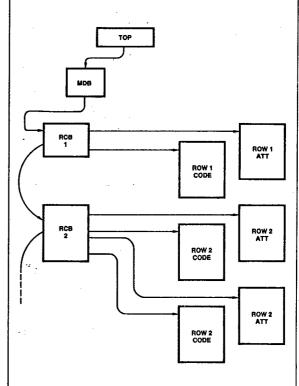
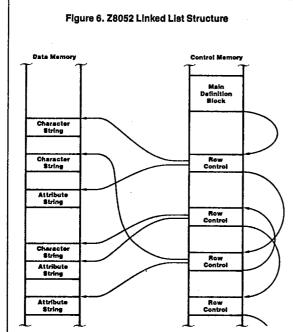
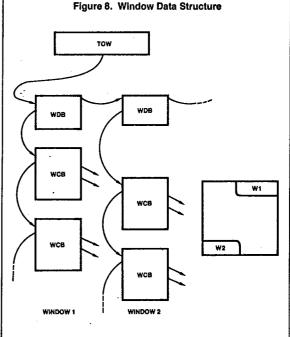


Figure 7. Background Data Structure





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ROW CONTROL BLOCKS

The RCB ADR POINTER in the Main Definition Block points to the first word of the first Row Control Block of the list. Each Row Control Block in the main chain is linked to the next via the RCB ADR (Row Control Block Address) word address pointer. Changing the RCB Link Pointer within a Main Control Block allows quick insertion or deletion of a character row (line).

Attributes associated with character data exist in their own separate lists. A character row may be composed of one or more segments of data. Each segment is a block of words with consecutive addresses. A Row Control Block has a character code and character attribute segment start address pointer: SEG CODE ADR for character codes (2 character codes/word) and SEG ATR ADR for character attributes. A third word, SEG LENGTH and SEG DISPLAY defines the number of characters (byte count) contained in the segment as well as the number of displayed characters in the segment. Character attributes are in word format and there can be as many character attributes as character codes.

WINDOW DEFINITION BLOCK

The Window Definition Block defines the size and location of the window. It is the header block to a list of Window Row Control Blocks and can also point to another Window Definition Block if more than one window is displayed on the screen. The TOP OF WINDOW register points to the first word of the first Window Definition Block, Within the first Window Definition Block, the WCB ADR points to the current window's first Window Row Control Block, while the NEXT WDB ADR points to the next window's Window Definition Block. Window size is specified by two words in the Window Definition Block. STRT WINDOW ROW # and END WINDOW ROW # are byte values which position the window vertically on the screen. The window display becomes active in the character row number specified by STRT WINDOW ROW #, and will become inactive in the character row following END WINDOW ROW #.

WINDOW ROW CONTROL BLOCKS

The Window Row Control Blocks have the same format as the Row Control Blocks.

The WCB Link Pointer is the address link to the next row's Window Row Control Block. A window can also be described with segments, and the Window Row Control block contains several words for each segment: WSEG CODE ADR, WSEG ATR ADR, and WSEG LENGTH.

To hard-scroll a window, it is only necessary to change the WCB ADR in the Window Definition Block to a different Window Row Control Block.

WINDOW DISPLAY MECHANISM

A window is any bounded area on the screen which is linked in by a Window Definition Block. The window has the following size characteristics:

Width: Defined by the number of character code positions occupied within a character row. Maximum width is the length of the line buffer (132 characters), and minimum width is one character.

Height: Defined by the number of displayable character rows contained within the window. The maximum height is the total number of displayed character rows on the face of the screen. The height limit is specified by the number of Window Row Control Blocks in the window linked list. The minimum height of a window is one row.

Window Positioning

The window is originally positioned to occupy any portion of the displayable character rows. It can be as large as the full screen or as small as one row high and one character wide. The window is always unscrolled when first displayed. (The counter holding the value of the first scan line of the uppermost character row of the window is reset.)

The window must be positioned horizontally such that its leftand right-hand sides begin and end at a main character row segment boundary. Any unfilled character positions within the window segment, and following the end of the window segment to the end of the line buffer (character position 131) are filled with the fill character code, obtained from the Main Definition Block.

Multiple Windows

Multiple windows can be displayed simultaneously, but only one window can be soft-scrolled at any particular time. Windows cannot be horizontally aligned to each other, and hence must be specified on non-overlapping character row boundaries (see section on virtual windows). Each window is defined by a Window Definition Block, and the scrolling window is designated by a control bit within the Window Definition Block.

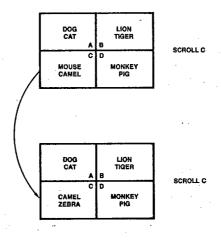
WINDOW POSITIONING

The window position is defined in the Window Definition Block. The coordinate units are background character rows (Y START), (Y END), and background character columns (X START), (X END). When the background is scrolling the window (or windows) should remain stationary on the display.

EXAMPLE OF WINDOW OVERLAYS

The example below (Figure 9) explains how windows are constructed using the Linked List feature that the Z8052 provides.

Figure 9. Example of Vertical Split Screen Smooth Scroll



The first step toward constructing windows on a CRT screen is to split the screen horizontally and vertically using row control blocks with multiple data pointers. The data pointers in each RCB point to the first characters within each subscreen area defined by the horizontal/vertical splits. In this example, the RCB that controls the first character row (DOG/LION) contains two data pointers. The first points to subscreen DOG and the second to subscreen LION. The SEG LENGTH information in the RCB indicates to the DMA to switch from data field DOG to data field LION. The Linked List Structure for this example is shown in Figure 10. Note that in most applications, this split screen will have been set up prior to the invocation of the window.

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A window can now be overlayed on to the background by the creation of a window linked-list as shown in Figure 11. The scrollable window has a linked list structure pointed to by the Top of Window (TOW) pointer which functions similarly to TOP. The other information required for window definition is the STRT WINDOW CHAR # and END WINDOW CHAR # which define the start/end coordinates of the window. To effect a window scroll just one change to the TOW value is required which significantly relieves CPU overhead.

Virtual Windows

Although the rules of multiple windows do not permit overlapping windows, the background and window structures can be used to implement virtual horizontally aligned windows. This can be best described by using the illustration in Figure 9. The screen is divided into 4 subscreens A, B, C and D, each of which can be independently defined as windows using the Linked List Structures similar to Figure 11.

If subscreen C is defined as a window, subscreen A, B and D can be configured to be the background. Window C can be scrolled independently of the background by TOW pointer manipulation. Similarly subscreen D can be defined as a window with A, B and C configured as background. Thus, two

Figure 10. Split Screen Control Blocks

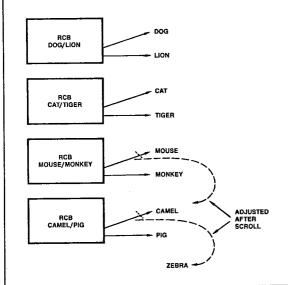
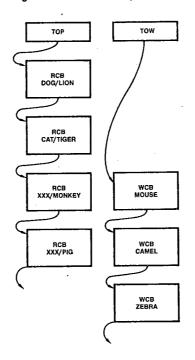


Figure 11. Window Overlay Structure



aligned subscreens can be independently defined as windows by intelligent use of linked list structures, giving the user the illusion of aligned windows.

HORIZONTAL SCREEN FORMAT

The horizontal format defines the general timing of a single raster scan line. The scan line consists of two basic periods: visible raster line scan from left-to-right across the CRT screen and the right-to-left beam retrace period (or horizontal sync). The beam is always blanked during the retrace period. The front and back porch periods on either side of the horizontal sync are also blanked because no active video is desired during that time.

Horizontal scan frequencies range from a minimum of 15kHz for small screen, low bandwidth CRTs up to about 60kHz for 100MHz bandwidth large screen CRTs. The horizontal format versatility must accommodate this wide range scan frequencies. The horizontal circuit generates three basic timing signals: horizontal sync, horizontal drive, and blanking. Either horizontal sync or horizontal drive is output at the HSYNC pin as selected by a bit in the mode register. The horizontal blanking signal is "ored" with the vertical blanking signal prior to output at the BLANK pin.

HORIZONTAL TIMING CONTROL

Horizontal timing is controlled by the $\overline{\rm RST}$ signal and the DE (Display Enable) bit in the mode register.

The HSYNC output is disabled (inactive) and the BLANK output active whenever the CRTC is reset by RST input (active low) or whenever the DE bit is reset (display disabled). RST active low is a hardware reset to the CRTC (this action also resets DE bit), and the DE bit is a software reset of the CRTC.

Z8052 VERTICAL SCREEN FORMAT

The vertical format defines the number of horizontal scan lines to be displayed in each frame. The front and rear porches, as well as the vertical retrace time, are also defined.

The CRTC operates in either an interlace or non-interlace mode. The I_1 bit in Mode Register 1 determines if the CRTC will operate in the interlace or non-interlace mode. See below for each of the interlace options.

The Vertical Line Counter is clocked by either the horizontal sync rate in the non-interlaced or twice the horizontal sync rate in the interlaced mode. In non-interlaced mode all vertical frames (period between two vertical sync pulses) are even. In interlaced mode, the first vertical frame following a Display Enable (setting of DE bit in the Mode register) is always even and alternates between odd and even from there on.

EXTERNAL SYNC OPERATION

The ESYNC input allows synchronization of the CRT display vertical frame rate to the power line frequency to eliminate interference effects. The ES bit in Mode register specifies whether the ESYNC input is used to control the Vertical Sync rate.

The ESYNC input is recognized by the CRTC during every

frame. It causes the VSYNC signal to become active at the occurrence of HSYNC. In non-interlaced mode, VSYNC becomes active at the rising edge of HSYNC active; in interlaced mode, VSYNC becomes active at the next HSYNC, active when in the even frame, or the next half point between HSYNCs (2x HSYNC) in the odd frame.

INTERLACE

There are two types of interlace, Repeat Field Interlace (RFI) and Interlaced Video (IV). The effect of both schemes is to offset the vertical position of the scan lines of the odd numbered fields so that they will be physically interleaved with the scan lines of the even fields. For RFI, the same video information is displayed on both odd and even fields. The slight offset of the odd field tending to eliminate the horizontal stripes that sometimes occur between scan lines of non-interlaced displays.

Interlaced Video is used to increase the amount of information displayed on a monitor without increasing the horizontal or vertical scan rates. IV takes advantage of the Odd field scan line offset by displaying half the video in the even field (alternating lines) and half in the odd field. The effect is to essentially double the vertical character density with respect to RFI or non-interlace.

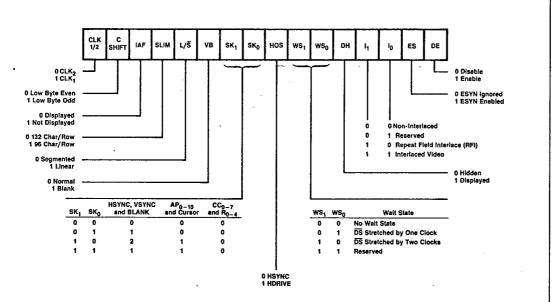
REGISTER SUMMARY

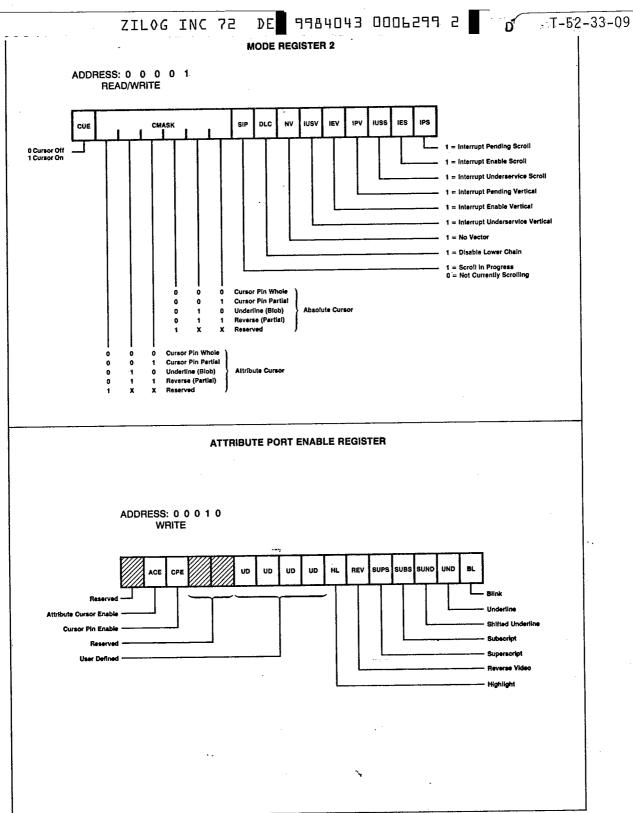
ADDRESS (AD	0 ₄ – AD ₀)			
BINARY	HEX	TYPE	ACTIVE BITS	REGISTER MODE
00000	00	R/W	. 16	MODE 1
00001	01	R/W	16	MODE 2
00010	02	W	12	ATTRIBUTE ENABLE
00011	03	W .	5	ATTRIBUTE REDEFINITION
00100	04	R/W	8	TOP OF PAGE SOFT (HI-ORDER)
00101	05	R/W	16	TOP OF PAGE SOFT (LO-ORDER)
00110	06	R/W	8	TOP OF WINDOW SOFT (HI-ORDER)
00111	07	R/W	16	TOP OF WINDOW SOFT (LO-ORDER)
01000	08	W	16	ATTRIBUTE FLAG
01001	09	R/W	8	TOP OF PAGE HARD (HI)
01010	0A	R/W	16	TOP OF PAGE HARD (LO)
01011	· 0B	R/W	. 8	TOP OF WINDOW HARD (HI)
01100	0C	R/W	16	TOP OF WINDOW HARD (LO)
10000	10	W	16	DMA BURST
10001	11	W	12	*VSYNC WIDTH/SCAN DELAY
10010	12	W	12	*VERTICAL ACTIVE LINES
10011	13	W	12	*VERTICAL TOTAL LINES
10100	14	W	16	*HSYNC/VERTINT
10101	15	W	9	*HDRIVE
10110	16	W	9	*H SCAN DELAY
10111	17	W	10	*H TOTAL COUNT
11000	18	W	10	*H TOTAL DISPLAY

*These registers should only be accessed when Display Enable ("DE" bit in Mode Register 1) is reset, since they control the video timing signals.

MODE REGISTER 1

ADDRESS: 0 0 0 0 READ/WRITE

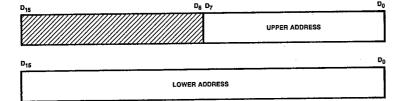




TOP OF PAGE/TOP OF WINDOW REGISTERS $L/\overline{S} = 1$

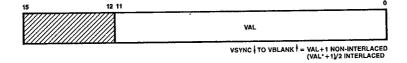
READ/WRITE

ADDRESS	REGISTER	ACTIVE BITS
00100	Top of Page Soft (HI)	70
00101	Top of Page Soft (LO)	150
00110	Top of Window Soft (HI)	70
00111	Top of Window Soft (LO)	150
01001	Top of Page Hard (HI)	70
01010	Top of Page Hard (LO)	150
01011	Top of Window Hard (HI)	70
01100	Top of Window Hard (LO)	15 0



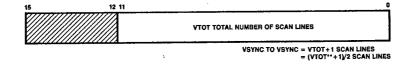
VERTICAL ACTIVE LINES REGISTER

ADDRESS: 1 0 0 1 0 WRITE



VERTICAL TOTAL LINES REGISTER

ADDRESS: 1 0 0 1 1 WRITE



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FRAME TIMING SIGNALS SUMMARY:

NON-INTERLACED MODE

VERTICAL SYNC WIDTH	VSW + 1
FRONT PORCH (VBLANK R.E. TO VSYNC R.E.)	VTOT - VAL
BACK PORCH (VSYNC F.E. TO VBLANK F.E.)	VSD + 1
VSYNC F.E. TO NEXT VBLANK R.E.	VAL + 1
TOTAL SCAN LINES/FRAME - VSYNC WIDTH	VTOT + 1
HORIZONTAL SYNC WIDTH	HSYNC + 1
HORIZONTAL SYNC PERIOD	HTC + 1
HSYNC R.E. TO NEXT HBLANK R.E.	HTD + 1
HSYNC R.E. TO HBLANK F.E.	HSD + 1
HDRIVE R.E. TO HDRIVE F.E.	HDRV + 1

INTERLACED MODE

VERTICAL SYNC WIDTH BACK PORCH

VSYNC F.E. TO NEXT VBLANK R.E.

TOTAL SCAN LINES/FRAME - VSYNC WIDTH HORIZONTAL SYNC WIDTH HORIZONTAL SYNC PERIOD HSYNC R.E. TO NEXT HBLANK R.E. HSYNC E. TO HBLANK F.E. HDRIVE R.E. TO HDRIVE F.E. FRONT PORCH (VBLANK R.E. TO VSYNC R.E.)

(VSW + 1)/2, VSW ODD VSD/2, EVEN FIELD

(VSD + 1)/2, ODD FIELD ∫ (VAL + 1)/2, ODD FIELD }

VAL ODD

VSD ODD

VAL/2, EVEN FIELD

(VTOT + 1)/2, VTOT EVEN

HSYNC + 1

HTC + 1

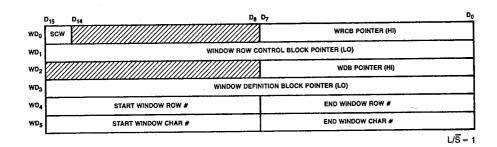
HTD + 1, HTD ODD

HSD + 1

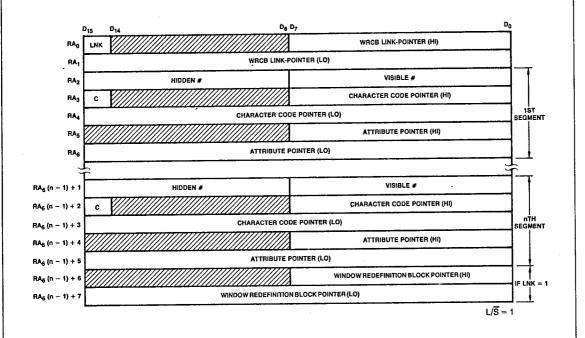
HDRV + 1

(VTOT - VAL)/2, EVEN FIELD (VTOT + 1-VAL)/2, ODD FIELD VAL ODD, VTOT EVEN

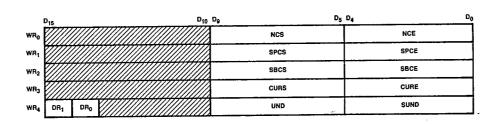
WINDOW DEFINITION BLOCK



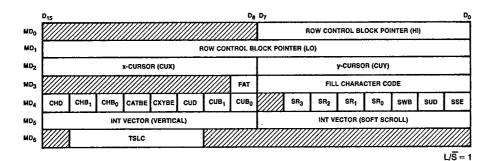
WINDOW ROW CONTROL BLOCK



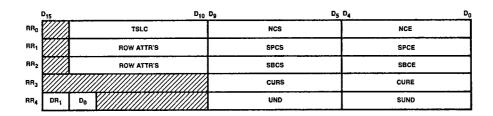
WINDOW REDEFINITION BLOCK



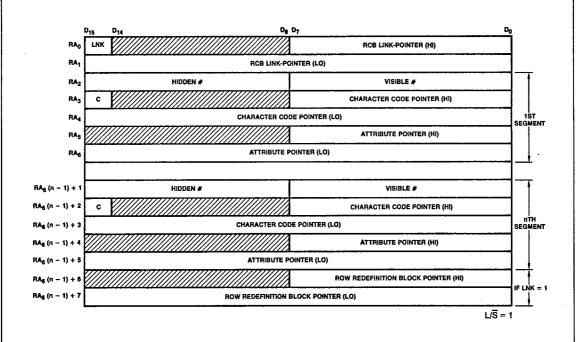
MAIN DEFINITION BLOCK



ROW REDEFINITION BLOCK



ROW CONTROL BLOCK

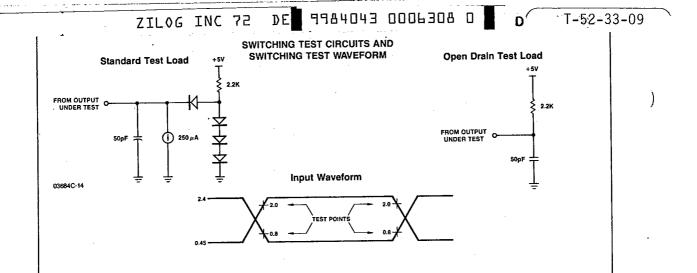


MAXIMUM HATINGS (Above which the useful life may be impaired)	
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Storage Temperature	

Storage Temperature	-65 to +150°C
Temperature Ambient under Bias	-65 to +125°C
Supply Voltage to Ground Potential Continuous	-0.5 to +7.0V
DC Voltage Applied to Outputs for High Output State	-0.5V to +V _{CC}
DC Input Voltage	-0.5 to +7.0V
DC Output Current into Outputs	30mA
DC Input Current	−30 to +5.0mA

DC CHARACTERISTICS

DC Output Current into	Outputs			JUITA
DC Input Current				-30 to +5.0mA
DC CHARACTER T _A = 25 to +70°C; V _C C _{LOAD} = 15pF (All inp C _{LOAD} = 80pF (CLK ₁	CC = 5V ±5% Duts except CLK ₁ and CLK ₂)			
Parameters	Description	Min	Max	Units
VOH	Output High Voitage	2.4		V
V _{OL}	Output Low Yoltage (IOT = 3.2mA)	0	0.4	V
VIH	Input High Voltage (except CLK ₁ and CLK ₂)	2.0	V _{CC} +0.5	V
V _{CIH}	CLK ₁ /CLK ₂ Input High Voltage	V _{CC} -0.5		. v
V _{IL}	Input Low Voltage (except CLK ₁ and CLK ₂)	-0.5	0.8	
V _{CIL}	CLK ₁ /CLK ₂ Input Low Voltage		0.3	v
I _{IX}	Input Load Current		±10	μΑ
IO ₂ , I ₀	Output Leakage Current		±10	μΑ
Icc	Supply Current		500	mA
C _{IN}	Input Capacitance (all pins except CLK ₁ and CLK ₂)		15	pF
C _{OUT}	Output Capacitance		50	pF
Cuo	Bidirectional Capacitance		20	pF



Z8052 BUS MASTER READ/WRITE

			5MHz		6MHz		8MHz	
			Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
1	t _{PHL}	CLK₁ ↑ TO ĀS ↓		55		55		45
2	tPLH	CLK ↓ TO AS ↑		55		55		45
3	tpw	AS PULSE WIDTH	60		60		45	
4	ts	ADDRESS VALID TO AS ↑	40		40		30	
5	ίн	ADDRESS FROM AS ↑	30		30		30	
6	t _{PHL}	CLK ₁ ↑ TO DS ↓		65		65		45
7	ts	DATA IN TO CLK₁ ↓	15		15		10	
8	ŧн	DATA IN FROM DS ↑	-10		-10		0	
9	t _{PLH}	CLK ₁ ↓ TO DS ↑		65) 65		45
10	t _{PLH}	CLK ₁ ↑ TO R/W	0	55	0.	55,	0	45
11	t _H	CLK ₁ ↓ TO DREN ↑		↑ (65 . V)		65		65
12	ts	WAIT VALID TO CLK ₁ ↓	15		<u>)</u> 15		10	
13	tH	WAIT FROM CLK ₁ ↓	20 1	1 3 mm	20		20	
14	tehL	CLK ₁ ↓ TO DREN ↓	医自由	55		55		45
15	tн	DREN FROM DS	-10		-10		0	
16	t _R , t _F	RISE, FALL TIME, CLK		15	.,	15		10
17	t _{PHL}	CLK 1 TO DTEN ↓	-	55		55		45
18	tPLH	CLK1 TO DTEN ↑		55		55		45
19	tpw	CLK ₁ HIGH PULSE WIDTH	85	500	70	500	45	500
20	t _{PW}	CLK1 LOW PULSE WIDTH	75	500	70	500	45	500
40	tcyc	CLK ₁ PERIOD	200	1000	165	1000	125	1000
41	t _{AVDV}	ADD VALID TO DATA IN (Note)		300		300		225
42	tasov	AS ↑ TO DATA VALID (Note)		245		245		185
43	t _{DSDV}	DS 1 TO DATA VALID (Note)		155		155		115
46	t _{DRT}	DREN ↑ TO DTEN ↓	20		20		20	l

 $(4) = 2 \cdot (4) + (9 - (1 - 3) + (4 - 7)$ $(4) = 2 \cdot (4) - (2 - 7) - (6)$

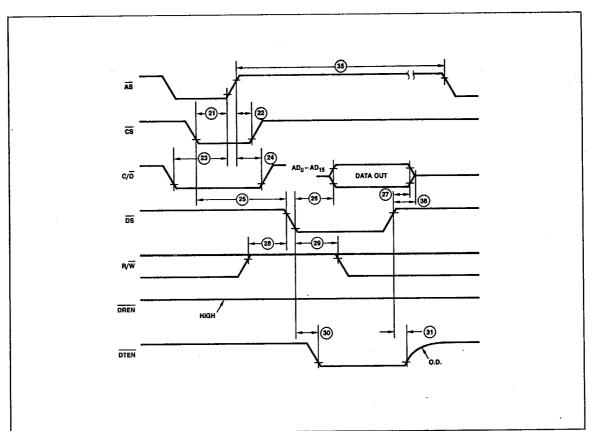
43 = 40 + 19 - 6 - 7

(At max CLK₁ freq.)

Z8052 BUS SLAVE READ LATCHED

			5M	Hz	6M	Hz	81/	Hz
			Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
21	ts	CS ↓ TO AS ↑	0		0		0	
. 22	t H	CS LOW FROM AS ↑	25		25		2 0	
23	ts	C/D TO AS ↑	0		0		0	
24	tH	C/D FROM AS ↑	25	Ø	2		20	
25	t _{PD}	CS ↓ TO DS ↓	40		40		30	
26	tosov	DS 1 TO DATA VALID		100		180		150
27	t _H	DATA VALID FROM DS	N/A	100	15		10	
28	ts	RW TO DE	210		10		0	
29	Ч	AW VALID PROM OS	40		40		40	
30	t _{PD}	DELAY FROM DS		55		55		45
31	t _{PD}	DELAY FROM DS † TO DTEN †		55		55		45
35	tsrt	SLAVE RECOVERY TIME	440		440		330	
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38	t _z	DS ↑ TO AD ₀ – AD ₁₅ HI-Z	10	60	10	60	10	50

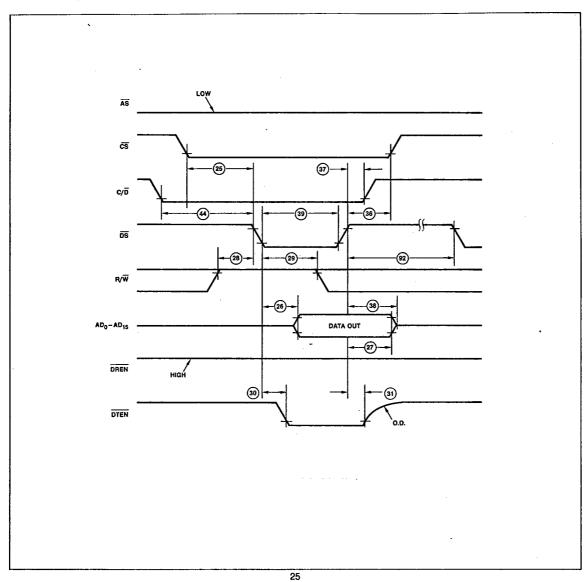
Notes: 1. R/W latched internally by DS↓.
2. CS latched internally by AS↑.
3. C/D latched internally by AS↑.
4. t_{SRT}: (35) = 3 · (40) - (3)



Z8052 BUS SLAVE READ UNLATCHED

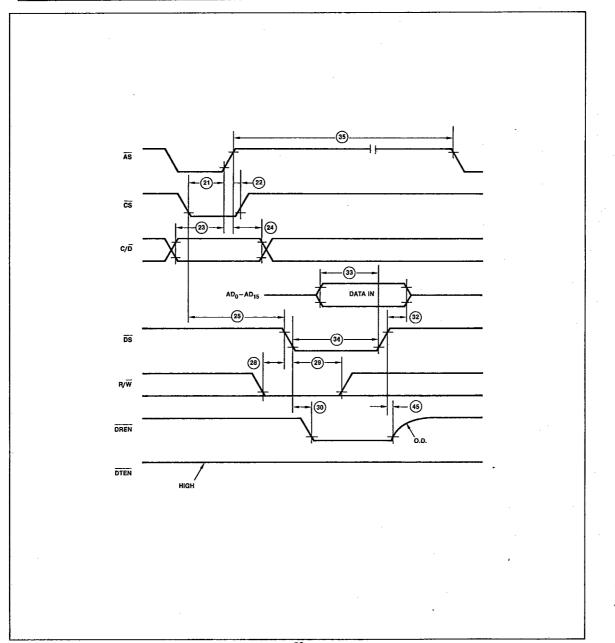
			· 5M	Hz	6M	Hz	8M	lHz
-	-		Min	Max	Min	Max 7	Min	Max
36	t _H	CS LOW FROM DS ↑	7		7 7		5	
37	tн	C/D LOW FROM DS ↑	7	5 ED. A	NA F	A B	5	
	1	1	n Can	HOR	Bank Dia	4.4		
39	tpw	DS ↓ TO DS ↑ READ	\$200 F	目目	200		150	
44	ts	and the second second second second	10 m		40		30	
		C/D TQ QS						
92	tsrt	SLAVE RECOVERY TIME (Note 1)	300		300		225	

Note 1: t_{SRT} : 92 = 3 · 40 - 39



Z8052 BUS SLAVE WRITE LATCHED

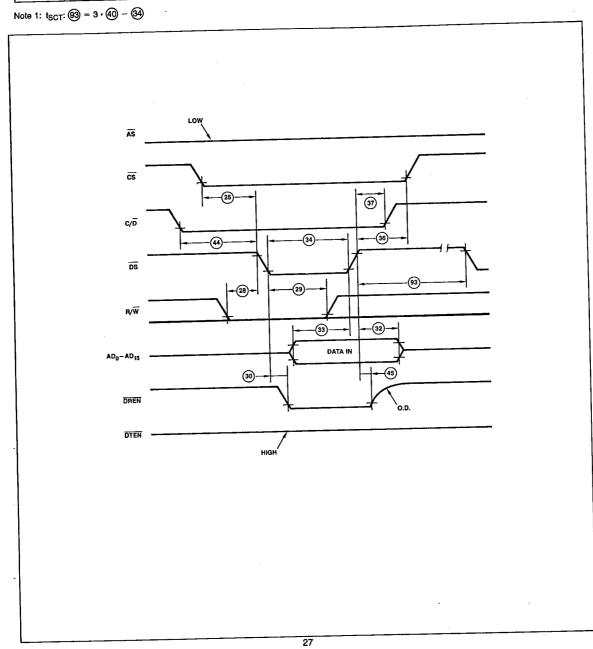
			5M	Hz	€.6M	HŽ.	88	lHz
			Min	_{c:} Max	ું Min ું ા	Max	Min	Max
32	44	DATA IN VALID FROM DS ↑	A 20	1800	€ 20 VA	134	20	
33	ts	DATA IN VALID TO DS	90	题图 一	90		80	
34	tpw	DS PULSE WIDTH	353		135		100	
45	t _H	DELYELUON NO. I AN AUEDRI	20	70	20	70	20	70
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Z8052 BUS SLAVE WRITE UNLATCHED

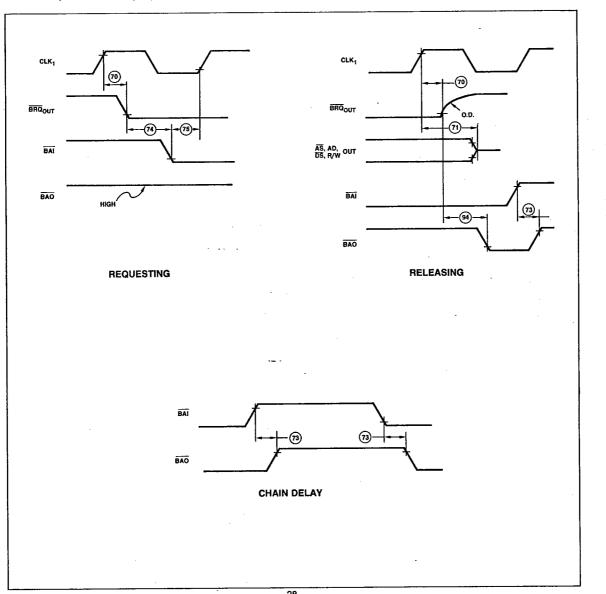
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		•	Min 🕺 N	lax V Min	Max	Min	Max
	T						
· ·			365	365		275	
93	tsct	SLAVE RECOVERY TIME (Note 1)	365	303	 		
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Z8052 BUS EXCHANGE

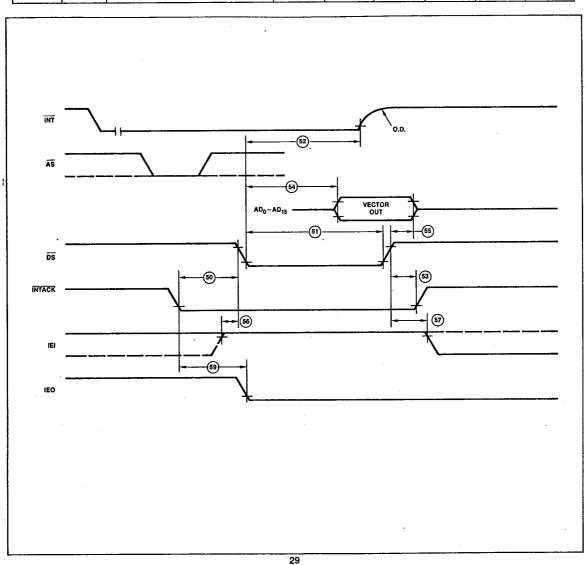
						fHz	8MHz	
			Min	Max.	Min	Max	Min	Max
70	t _{PD}	CLK ₁ ↑ TO BRQ OUT		為解驗的	E.	115		100
71	tpz	CLK ₁ ↑ TO FLOAT .	200	15		115		100
72			69 44 P. A	,				<u> </u>
73	teD	BAI TO BAO	A Brown	50		50		40
74	tpD	BRQ TO BAI DELAY	0		0 .		0	
75	ts	BAI L TO CLK1 TO NOTE TO	50		50		40	
			l					
94	tpD	BRQ ↑ TO BAO ↓	0	60	0	60	0	50

Note 1: This parameter for testing only.



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			. 5M	Hz	6M	Hz	81	ЛНz
			Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
50	ts	INTACK TO DS ↓	230		230	ŧ	200	
51	tpw	DS 1 TO DS † ACK	200			à.	150	
52	t _{PD}	DS I TO INT †	¥	200	A P	230		200
53	t н	INTACK FROM DS ↑	A 100 A		0		0	l
54	t _D	DS 1 TO VECTOR VALID	TO BE BE	180		180		150
55	ч	VECTOR FROM DS 14	8 895		0		0	
56	ts	IEI TO DS L	90		. 90		80	
57	ţн	IEI FROM DS	0		0		0	
59	t _D	INTACK TO IEO 1 (IEI = H)		170		170		150
		M.						J

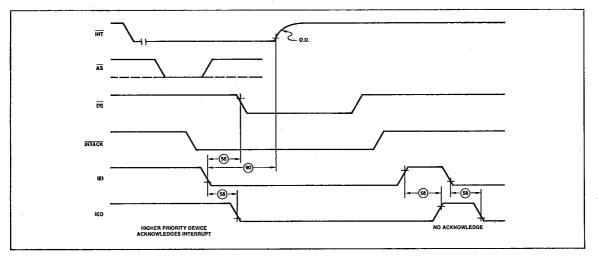


Z8052 INTERRUPT ACK TIMING — LOW PRIORITY

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	•		5M	Hz	6MHz	8MHz
			Min	Max 👸	Min Max	Min Max
56	ts	IEI TO DS ↓	p 290 €	Ne g	90: (6.	80
•				W GB		
58	t _D	IEI TO IEQ	「麒麟」	90	90	80
90	t _D	IEI ↓ TO NT ↑ (Note 1)		90	90	80

Note 1: INT terminated by an acknowledge higher on chain.



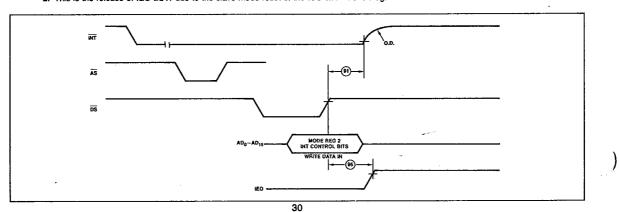
Z8052 NON-VECTORED INT TIMING

			6MHz		8MHz	
		Agen	Min	Max Max	Min	Max
91	t _D	DS↑ TO INT (Write) (Note 1)	11-02-	90		80
95	t _D	DS ↑ (O IEO) (Write) (Note 2)		90		80

Notes: 1. This parameter describes the termination of an interrupt request via a write to the appropriate bit in Mode Reg 2;

IUSS → 1 IUSV → 1 → 0 → 0 IES IES IPV

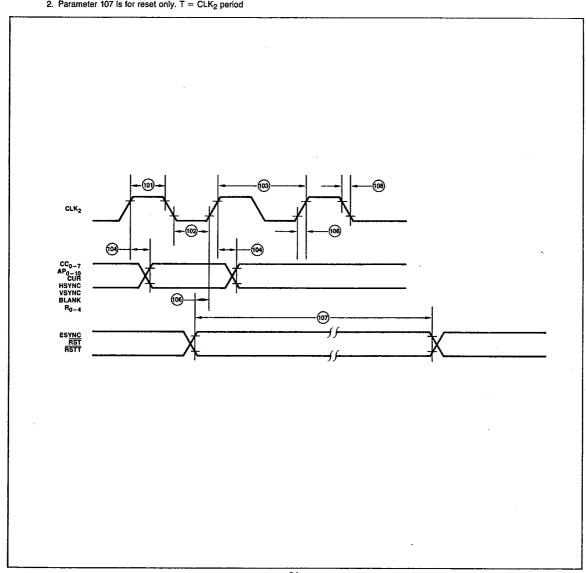
2. This is the release of IEO LOW due to the slave mode reset of the IUS bit in Mode Reg 2.



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	•		5MHz		6MHz 🦛 🥬		8MHz	
			Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max
101	tpw	CLK ₂ HIGH PULSE WIDTH	85	500	2(70 V	50 0	35	500
102	t _{PW}	CLK ₂ LOW PULSE WIDTH	75	500 €	10°0.	500	35	500
103	tcyc	CLK ₂ PERIOD	200		165	1000	100	1000
104	t _{DC}	CLK2 † TO OUTPUT DELAY	MARK			55		35
			180					
106	t _S	INPUT SETUP TO CUG 1 (Note 1)	60		60		50	
107	tw	INPUT PULSE WIDTH (Note 2)	. 5T		5T		5T	
108	t _R , t _F	CLK RISE, PALL TIME		15		15		· 10

Notes: 1. Parameter 106 is specified for test purposes only. 2. Parameter 107 is for reset only. $T = CLK_2$ period



ORDERING INFORMATION

Z8052 CRTC 68-pin PCC Z8052-6 VS

Codes

First letter is for package; second letter is for temperature.

C = Ceramic DIP

P = Plastic DIP

L = Ceramic LCC

V = Plastic PCC

R = Protopack

T = Low Profile Protopack

DIP = Dual-In-Line Package

LCC = Leadless Chip Carrier

PCC = Plastic Chip Carrier (Leaded)

FLOW

B = 883 Class B

TEMPERATURE

S = 0°C to +70°C

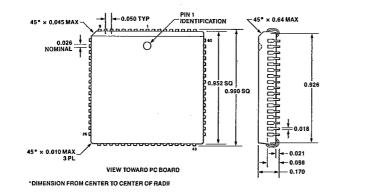
E = -40 °C to +85 °C

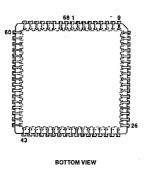
 $M^* = -55$ °C to +125 °C

Example: PS is a plastic DIP, 0°C to +70°C.

*For Military Orders, contact your local Zilog Sales Office for Military Electrical Specifications.

PACKAGE INFORMATION





68-Pin Plastic Chip Carrier (PCC)

NOTE: Package dimensions are given in inches. To convert to millimeters, multiply by 25.4.