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Programmable Bar Code Decode ICs

Technical Data

HBCR-1810 HBCR-1811

Features

- Ideal for Hand Scanning and Many Automated Scanning Applications
- Supports Code 39, UPC / EAN / JAN and Interleaved 2 of 5 Standard Bar Code Symbologies
- Automatic Code Recognition
- Choice of Parallel or Serial Interface
- Full Duplex ASCII Interface
- Extensive Configuration Control
- Low Current CMOS Technology
- 40 Pin DIP and 44 Pin PLCC Packages
- Audio and Visual Feedback Control
- Single +5 Volt Supply

Description

Agilent's Bar Code Decoder ICs offer flexible bar code decoding capability that is designed to give OEMs the ability to address a large number of industry segments and applications. Flexibility is made possible through sophisticated firmware, which allows the ICs to accept data from a wide variety of scanners and to automatically recognize and decode the most popular bar code symbologies. User implementation of the decoder ICs is easy since it requires only a few supporting chips and components and provides a standard I/O interface.

Manufacturers of data collection terminals, point of sale terminals, keyboards, weighing scales, and other data collection and material handling equipment are finding a growing demand for bar code reading capability in their products. The HBCR-1810 series decoder ICs make it easy to add this capability without the need to invest in the development of bar code decoding software.

The bar code decoder ICs are compatible with most hand held scanners. The HBCR-1810 series



is compatible with fixed beam non-contact scanners, digital wands, and digital slot readers.

The decoder ICs decode the bar code symbologies now in use for most applications in the industrial, retail, government, and medical market. The ICs support Code 39 (Standard or Extended). Interleaved 2 of 5, and the UPC/ EAN/JAN Codes. Whenever more than one symbology is enabled, the bar code being scanned will automatically be recognized and decoded, except for Standard and Extended Code 39 which are mutually exclusive. Bi-directional scanning is allowed for all bar codes except UPC/EAN/JAN with supplemental digits, which must be scanned with the supplemental digits last.

The I/O for the decoder ICs is full duplex, 7 bit ASCII. Both serial and parallel interfaces are available. The serial interface can be converted to an RS232C interface or connected directly to another microprocessor for data processing. The parallel interface can be connected to a tri-level bus through a 74LS245 or equivalent. Feedback to the operator is accomplished by signals for an LED and a beeper. In addition, there are programmable functions covering items such as code selection and beeper tone.

The ICs are CMOS, in either a 40 pin DIP package or a 44 pin PLCC package. All ICs require a dedicated external data memory, 2K or 8K x 8 bit static RAM (only 1K is needed) and address latch chip (a 74LS373 or equivalent). The crystal frequency is 12.000 MHz.

Performance Features Bar Codes Supported

The decoder IC is capable of reading popular bar code symbologies: Code 39 (Standard or Extended), Interleaved 2 of 5, and UPC/EAN/JAN.

Code 39 is an alphanumeric code, and Extended Code 39 encodes the full 128 ASCII character set by pairing Code 39 characters. Both can be read bi-directionally with message lengths of up to 32 characters. An optional checksum character can be used with these codes, and the ICs can be configured to verify this character prior to data transmission. Note that enabling Extended Code 39 will disable Code 39 since they are mutually exclusive.

Interleaved 2 of 5 code, a compact numeric only bar code, can also be read bi-directionally with message lengths from 4 to 32 characters. To enhance data accuracy, optional checksum character verification and/or message length checking can be enabled.

The following versions of the UPC, EAN and JAN bar codes can be read bi-directionally: UPC-A, UPC-E, EAN-8, EAN-13, JAN-8, and JAN-13. All versions can be enabled simultaneously or decoding can be restricted to only the UPC codes.

UPC, EAN, and JAN codes printed with complementary two digit or five digit supplemental encodations can be read in two different ways. If the codes are enabled without the supplemental encodations, then only the main part of symbols printed with supplemental encodations will be read. If the reading of supplemental encodations is enabled, then only symbols with these supplements will be read. Whenever supplemental encodations are enabled, the bar code symbols must be read in the direction that results in the supplements being scanned last.

Scanner Input

The decoder ICs are designed to accept data from hand held digital scanners or slot readers with the following logic state: black = high, white = low.

Scanner input can be disabled by software command. This allows an application program to control when an operator can enter data, preventing inadvertent data entry. It also allows the program to verify each scan before enabling subsequent scans.

Data Communications

The serial port supports a wide range of baud rates, parities, stop bits, and terminator characters, as described in Summary of Features and Configuration Control table. Software control of data transmission is accomplished with an Xon/Xoff (DC1/DC3) handshake.

The parallel port data has odd parity. The default terminator character is a CR, but it can be changed by software commands. An Xon/Xoff (DC1/DC3) software handshake is available to control data transmission.

Feedback Features

Both audio and visual feedbacks are possible with the decoder ICs. In both cases, the outputs from the ICs must be buffered before driving the actual feedback mechanism. An LED or beeper connected to the decoder ICs can be controlled directly by the IC, with signals generated by successful decodes or can be controlled by the host system. In addition, the tone of the beeper can be varied by software commands to be one of 16 different frequencies, or can be silenced.

Power Requirements

The decoder IC operates from a +5 volt DC power supply. The maximum current draw is 19mA. The maximum power supply ripple voltage should be less than 100 mV, peak-to-peak.

Configuration Control

Configuration of the decoder IC is determined by hardwire connections and/or through software commands. Hardwire selection is limited to key operating parameters.

A greater range of configuration control is available via software commands. A summary of the decoder IC features and configuration control is presented in Summary of Features and Configuration Control table.

Handling Precautions

The decoder ICs are extremely sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD). It is important that proper anti-static procedures be observed when handling the ICs. The package should not be opened except in a static free environment.

Manuals

The decode IC Users Manual covers the following topics:

- Data output formats
- I/O interfaces
- Laser input timing diagrams
- Escape sequence syntax and functionality
- Example schematics
- All configurable options
- Bar code menus
- Scanner positioning and tilt
- Sample bar code symbols
- Appendices describing bar code symbologies

Ordering Information

Part Number	Description
HBCR-1810	CMOS, 40 pin DIP, bulk ship, no manuals
HBCR-1811	CMOS, 44 pin PLCC, bulk ship, no manuals
Option A01	IC individually boxed with manuals
HBCR-1997	Series 1810 manuals

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Recommended Operating Conditions

Parameter	Symbol	Minimum	Maximum	Units	Notes
Supply Voltage	V _{CC}	4.0	6.0	V	1
Ambient Temperature	T _A	- 40	+ 85	°C	
Crystal Frequency	XTAL	0 (DC)	12.000	MHz	2
Element Time Interval	ETI	150	70 000	μs	3

Notes:

1. Maximum power supply ripple of 100 mV peak-to-peak.

2. The HBCR-1810 series uses a 12.000 MHz crystal. For different crystal frequencies, multiply the specified baud rate and beeper frequencies by (crystal frequency/12.000 MHz) and multiply the element time interval ranges by (12.000 MHz/crystal frequency).

3. At the specified crystal frequency.

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Symbol	Minimum	Maximum	Units	Notes
Storage Temperature	T _S	- 55	+ 150	°C	
Supply Voltage	V _{CC}	- 0.5	+ 7.0	V	1
Pin Voltage	V _{IN}	- 0.5	$V_{\rm CC} + 0.5$	V	1, 2

Notes:

1. Voltage on any pin with respect to ground.

2. TA = 25 °C.

DC Characteristics

(T_A = - 40°C to +85°C, V_{CC} = 4.5 V to 5.5 V, V_{SS} = 0 V)

Symbol	Parameter	1810 Pins	1811 Pins	Min.	Max.	Units	Test Conditions
V _{IL}	Input Low Voltage	All	All	-0.5	0.2 V _{CC} – 0.1	V	
V _{IH}	Input High Voltage	except 9,18	except 10, 20	0.2 V _{CC} +0.9	$V_{\rm CC}$ + 0.5	V	
V _{IH1}	Input High Voltage	9, 18	10, 20	0.7 V _{CC}	$V_{\rm CC} + 0.5$	V	
V _{OL}	Output Low Voltage	1-8, 10-17, 21-28	2-9, 11, 13-19, 24-31		0.45	V	$I_{OL} = 1.6 \text{ mA}$
V _{OL1}	Output Low Voltage	30,32-39	33, 36-43		0.45	V	$I_{OL} = 3.2 \text{ mA}$
VOH	Output High Voltage	1-8, 10-17, 21-28	2-9, 11, 13-19, 24-31	$\begin{array}{c} 2.4 \\ 0.75 \ V_{CC} \\ 0.9 \ V_{CC} \end{array}$		V V V	$I_{OH} = -60 \ \mu A$ $I_{OH} = -30 \ \mu A$ $I_{OH} = -10 \ \mu A$
V _{OH}	Output High Voltage	30, 32-39	33, 36-43	$\begin{array}{c} 2.4 \\ 0.75 \ V_{CC} \\ 0.9 \ V_{CC} \end{array}$		V V V	$\begin{split} I_{OH} &= -400 \; \mu A \\ I_{OH} &= -150 \; \mu A \\ I_{OH} &= -40 \; \mu A \end{split}$
I _{IL}	Input Low Current	1-8, 10-17, 21-28	2-9, 11, 13-19, 24-31	-10	-200	μΑ	$V_{\rm IN} = 0.45 \ \rm V$
I _{IL2}	Input Low Current	18	20		-3.2	mA	$V_{\rm IN}=0.45~\rm V$
I _{IL1}	Input Leakage Current	32-39	36-43		±10	μΑ	$0.45 \le V_{IN} \le V_{CC}$
R _{RST}	Pulldown Resistor	9	10	20	125	KΩ	
I _{CC}	Power Supply Current	-	-		18	mA	All outputs disconnected

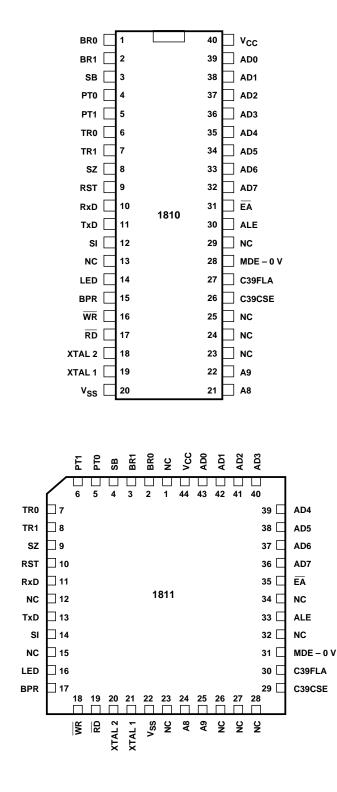
Feature	Function or Value	Hardwire/ Software Control ^[1]	Default Setting ^[2]	Mode ^[3]	Notes
Mode of Operation	Parallel or Serial Mode	Hardwire	Parallel	N/A	
Baud Rate	300, 1200, 2400, 9600	Hardwire	300 Baud	Serial	
Parity	0s, 1s, Odd, Even	Hardwire	0s	Serial	4
Stop Bits	1 or 2	Hardwire	2	Serial	
Terminator	C _R , C _R L _F , H _T , None	Hardwire	CR	Serial	
Character	User defined (10 characters max.)	Software	CR	Both	5
Header Character	User defined (10 characters max.)	Software	No header character	Both	
Data Output Character	X _{ON} /X _{OFF} (DC1/DC3)	Software	No pacing	Both	
Industrial Code	Code 39 Interleaved 2 of 5	Software	Code 39		
Select	Extended Code 39	Both	Interleaved 2 of 5 code		
	UPC/EAN/JAN together; Or UPC only	Software	UPC/EAN/JAN codes	Both	
UPC/EAN/JAN Code Select	Enable 2 or 5 Digit supplements	Software	Supplements not enabled		
	Suppress Zeros UPC-E	Software	Zeros included		
Checksum Verification Enable	Code 39 checksum Interleaved 2 of 5 checksum	Both Software	No Checksum Verification	Both	
Interleaved 2 of 5 Label Length Check	User defined up to 32 characters or variable length	Software	Variable Length	Both	
Scanner Disable	Disables scanner input	Software	Input Enabled	Both	
Good Read Beep Select	Enables good read beep in one of 16 tones	Software	Beep signal enabled; tone = 15	Both	
Sound Tone	Command to sound tones Defines one of 16 tones	Software	N/A	Both	
LED Control	Controls LED driver circuit	Software	LED to flash upon good read	Both	
Status Request	Gives status of decoder IC configuration	Software	N/A	Both	
Hard Reset	Resets decoder IC to hardwire configuration and default software settings	Software	N/A	Both	

Summary of Features and Configuration Control

Notes:

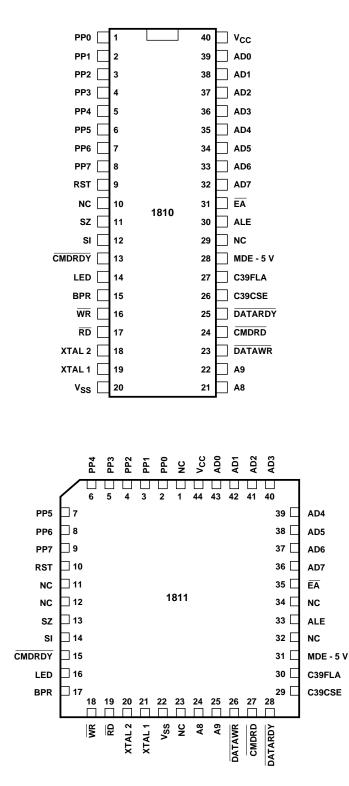
- 2. Default settings are those settings which result when the relevant pins have been tied to +5 V and no software commands have been sent to the decoder IC.
- 3. Some functions apply only when the decoder IC is operating in the serial mode. Others apply in both the parallel and serial modes.
- 4. In parallel mode, the parity is always odd.
- 5. In the parallel mode, the terminator character is $C_{\rm R}$ unless changed through software commands.

^{1.} Software commands are sent by means of escape sequences.



Mnemonic	Description		
BRO	Baud Rate Select 0		
BR1	Baud Rate Select 1		
SB	Stop Bits		
PT0	Parity Select 0		
PT1	Parity Select 1		
TR0	Trailer Select 0		
TR1	Trailer Select 1		
RxD	Received Data		
TxD	Transmitted Data		
LED	LED Control		
BPR	Beeper Control		
RST	Reset		
SI	Scanner Input		
SZ	Suppress Zeroes, UPC-E		
NC	No Connect		
ĒĀ	Connect to +5 V		
ALE	Address Latch Enable		
MDE	Mode		
WR	Memory Write		
RD	Memory Read		
XTAL 1	Crystal Input 1		
XTAL 2	Crystal Input 2		
C39FLA	Code 39 Full ASCII		
	Conversion		
C39CSE	Code 39 Check Character Enable		
AD0-AD7	Address/Data Bits 0-7		
A8	Memory Address Line 8		
A9	Memory Address Line 9		
V _{SS}	Ground		
V _{CC}	+5 V Power		

HBCR-1810 Series — Serial Pinout



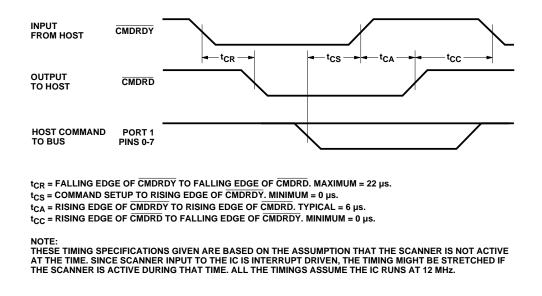
Mnemonic	Description
PP0-PP7	Parallel Port Bits 0-7
CMDRDY	Command Ready
CMDRD	Command Read
DATARDY	Data Ready
DATAWR	Data Write
LED	Control
BPR	Beeper Control
RST	Reset
SI	Scanner Input
SZ	Suppress Zeroes, UPC-E
NC	No Connect
ĒĀ	Connect to +5 V
ALE	Address Latch Enable
MDE	Mode
WR	Memory Write
RD	Memory Read
XTAL 1	Crystal Input 1
XTAL 2	Crystal Input 2
C39FLA	Code 39 Full ASCII Conversion
C39CSE	Code 39 Check Character Enable
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A9	Memory Address Line 9
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V _{CC}	+5 V Power

HBCR-1810 Series — Parallel Pinout

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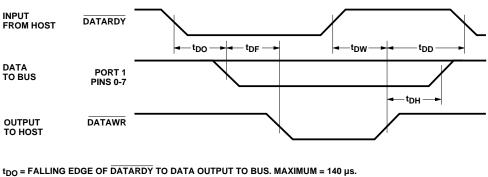
Parallel Mode Handshake Timing

Host Commands Received by Decoder IC



Parallel Mode Handshake Timing

Decoder IC Data Sent to Host



 $t_{DF} = DATA OUTPUT TO BUS TO FALLING EDGE OF DATAWR. MAXIMUM = 2 \ \mu s. \\ t_{DF} = DATA OUTPUT TO BUS TO FALLING EDGE OF DATAWR. MAXIMUM = 2 \ \mu s. \\ t_{DH} = DATA HOLD AFTER RISING EDGE OF DATAWR. MAXIMUM = 2 \ \mu s. \\ t_{DD} = RISING EDGE OF DATAWR TO FALLING EDGE OF DATARDY. MINIMUM = 0 \ \mu s.$

NOTE:

THESE TIMING SPECIFICATIONS GIVEN ARE BASED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THERE IS NO DECODING IN PROGRESS, NO STATUS, TERMINAL ID, HEADER OR TERMINATOR CHANGE COMMAND IS BEING EXECUTED AT THE TIME. ALL THE TIMINGS ASSUME THE IC RUNS AT 12 MHz.

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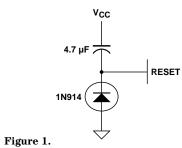
Command	Description	Command	Description
<esc> - y<n>B</n></esc>	Good Read Beep Select	<esc> - y<n>0<text></text></n></esc>	Trailer Select
<esc> - y<n>C</n></esc>	Industrial Code Select	<esc $>$ - y $<$ n $>$ S	Status Request
<esc> - y<n>D</n></esc>	Checksum Verification Select	<esc> - y<n>T</n></esc>	Sound Tone
<esc> - y<n>L</n></esc>	LED Control	<esc> - y<n>U</n></esc>	UPC/EAN/JAN Options
<esc> - y<n>M</n></esc>	Interleaved 2 of 5 Length Check	<esc> - y<n>W</n></esc>	Scanner Enable
<esc> - y<n>N<text></text></n></esc>	Header Select	<esc> - y<n>X</n></esc>	DC1/DC3 Pacing
$\langle esc \rangle E$	Hard Reset		

Escape Sequence Summary

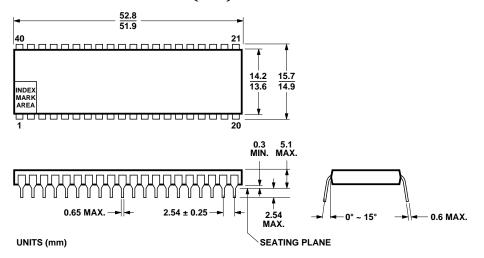
Note:

<esc> is the ASCII escape character, 27 decimal, 18 hex.

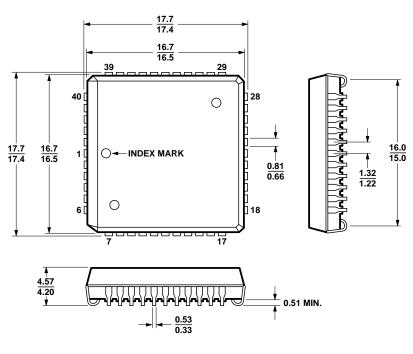
IC Reset Circuits



Mechanical Dimensions – Units (mm)



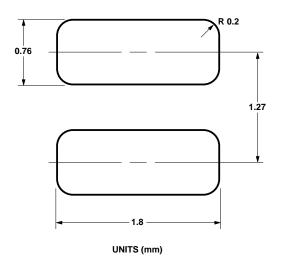
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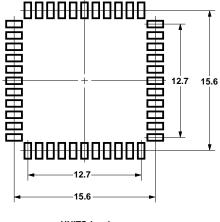


UNITS (mm)

Figure 3. HBCR-1811.

PLCC Solder Pad Reference





UNITS (mm)

Figure 4. Pad Size.

Figure 5. Pad Placement.

PLCC Drying

Whenever Vapor Phase or Infrared Reflow technologies are used to mount the PLCC packages, there is a possibility that previously absorbed moisture, heated very rapidly to the reflow temperatures, may cause the package to crack from internal stress. There is a reliability concern that moisture may then enter the package over a period of time, and metal corrosion may take place, degrading the IC performance.

To reduce the amount of absorbed moisture and prevent cracking, all of the PLCC ICs should undergo one of the following baking cycles. The parts MUST then be mounted within 48 hours. If the parts are not mounted within 48 hours, they MUST be rebaked.

The total number of baking cycles must not exceed two (2). If the ICs are baked more than twice. Agilent cannot guarantee the performance and reliability of the parts. Neither bake cycle can be performed in the standard shipping tubes. The ICs must be baked in an ESD safe, mechanically stable container, such as an aluminum tube or pan.

Cycle	Temperature	Time	Notes
A	125°C	24 Hours	
В	60°C	96 Hours	1

Note:

Contact Scanner Input Circuit

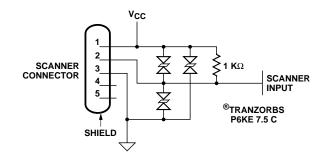


Figure 6. Recommended Interface.

Notes:

- 1. The shield MUST be connected to ground for proper scanner operation.
- 2. The ® TRANZORBS are optional. If the application requires the frequent changing of the scanners, they are highly recommended.

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^{1.} Cycle B must be done in an atmosphere of <5 % relative humidity air or nitrogen.



External Clock Drivers

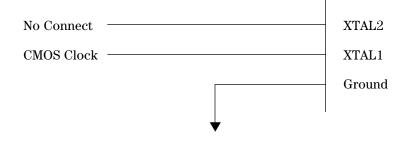


Figure 7.

Block Diagram

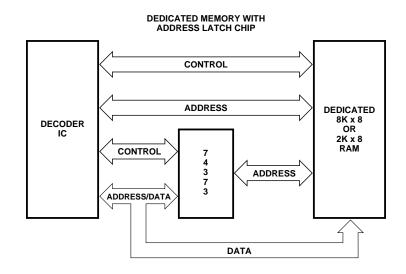


Figure 8.

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