

This Acorn Eurocard ( $100 \times 160 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) single board microcontroller is based on the 6502 processor. The standard controller is provided with 6502, 128 bytes of RAM, 16 lines of i/o, capacitor controlled clock and address decoding and logic. This board also has provision for up to four and a half kilobytes of ROM, 1 K bytes of RAM (2114) and 32 lines of i/o (two x 8154); a crystal controlled clock is also optional. The processor used employs pipelining giving fast execution times (4us for load accumulator, 6us for jump to subroutine and 2 us for internal register operations).

The i/o device used is the INS8154 whose sixteen lines are single bit addressable, can be individually configured and are TTL compatible. A hand shake mode is provided facilitating asynchronous data transfer at a high speed, and direct interface to peripherals. A wide variety of memory i/o configurations can be selected by wire links in the address select socket on board.

The standard Eurocard edge connector carries the address and databus, eight control lines, sixteen i/o lines, the single DC supply rail and 5 v regulated output from the on board regulator. The opposite end of the card has 16 i/o lines, two control lines and 5 v output.

This board with the crystal controlled clock and other options becomes the 6502 CPU in the Acorn systems 1, 2, 3 and 4.

| CODE | DESCRIPTION | PRICE |
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| 714 | 6502 Controller card | 50.00 |
| 716 | 6502 Controller card in kit form | 45.00 |
| 355 | Acorn System 1 technical manual with details of above | 5.00 |



The 6502 CPU is designed for use in the Acorn systems 2,3 and 4 and it plugs onto the standard Acorn 8 or 14 slot backplanes. The 5502 microprocessor is run from a 1 MHz crystal controlled clock and a TIL device provides address decoding,

On the card is 1 K byte of static RAM in 2114's and an $8154 \mathrm{i} / \mathrm{o}$ device provides 16 i/o lines, 8 of which connect to a ASCII keyboard via a 20 -way ribbon cable connector. Other lines on the 8154 can connect to the cassette interface via the the backplane.

A second 8154 can be fitted giving a further 16 i/o lines on the 64 -way connector and a ROM can also be added to carry the nperating Systems software. (Altematively this can be on a static RAM card, or OUMMM)

For spare chips see separate list.

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| 715 | 6502 CPU card assembled and tested | 63.00 |
| 717 | 6502 CPU card in kit form | 58.00 |
| 720 | As 715, with keyboard interface | 80.00 |
| 721 | As 720, in kit form | 75.00 |
| 355 | Tech manual for System 1 with details of above cards | 5.00 |



The upper Eurocard of the system 1 is available without keypad and display when it performs as a cassette interface card in system 2. It may also be added to systems 3 and 4 if desired. The Computer Users Tape Standard (CUTS) frequency-modillates data on to a standard audio cassette recorder with two tone system in which 2.4 KHz represents a logic 1 and 1.2 KHz a logic 0 .

CODE DESCRIPTION PRLCE
935 Cassette interface in kit form 20.00

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Cassette interface assembled and tesed 30.00

794 Cassette operating system (COS) ROM 20.00
356 Cassette Operating System Manual 5.00


This Eurocard ( $100 \times 160 \mathrm{mn}$ ) is a plug-in replacement for the 6502 CPU card to upgrade Acorn Systems 3 and 4 to use the advanced facilities of Motorola's 6809 8-bit processor and is ideally suited to rum high level languages such as Pascal. The Acorn 6809 is provided with an operating system in 2 K which handles the Acorn VDU, ASCII encoded keyboard and printer; it is readily expanded and very user friendly.

The hardware provides for direct plug-in connection to Centronics type printers and encoded keyboards and all 6809 signals are taken off the board via the Acorn bus 64 -way edge comnector. The address and data lines are buffered and 1 K of user RAM is provided. The major components fitted are:-

DIN standard indirect edge connector.
20 -way and 26 -way IDC connectors for keyboard and printer.
MC 6809 microprocessior.
2K ROM (Initially 2716) 4K and 8K compatible.
1 K RAM ( $2 \times 2114$ )
BIPOLAR PROM for address decoding.
6522 two ten bit parallel i/o port for keyboard and printer.
Random logic devices for address decoding.
Bus buffers.
The Acorn 6809 is provided with a User's manual which describes how to use the monitors commands, and includes programing examples.

An intemational standard disk operating system, called FLEX, is available to run with this card. This system allows the user access to disk files on a system 3 or system 4, and to buy standard software from software houses to run under FLEX.

CODE DESCRIPTION
PRICE
7256809 CPU card
807 FLEX
3596809 CPU users manual 70.00

## ACORN 8 K STATIC RAM CARD



This Eurocard offers 8 k of static RAM plus two sockets which each can accept a 4 k ROM or EPROM. The 8 k RAM bank and the 8 k ROM bank can be independently located in memory to commence in 8 k intervals throughout the memory may. eg. each may commence at hex $0,2000,4000$ etc, though to F000.
730 Acorn 8k static RAM card, asembled and tested ..... £87
735 Acorn static RAM card as above, with no RAM fitted ..... £55
736 Acorn static RAM card without RAM, in kit form ..... £48
363 Acorn static RAM card technical manual ..... £1

## ACORN 32 K DYAMIC RAM



This Eurocard provides 32768 bytes of Random Access Memory for a computer system using the Acorn standard data bus. Such systems include any Acorn or Control Uni versal (CUBIT range) computer, or a computer using the Acorn bus as an expansion bus, as achieved with the Rockwell AIM 65 using the CUBIT extension system.

The devices used are $5 v$ only $16 k$ bjt dynamjc RAMs organised as two banks of 16 k bytes. Timing is generated in synchronism with the 1 MHz CPU clock and the hardware refresh circuitry allows random access of the memory in any clock cycle.

The RAM is organised into four sections each of which is 8 k bytes. These four sections can each be linked to begin at hex addresses 0, 2000, 4000, 6000, 8000, C000 and E000. In Acorn systems 2, 3 and 4 the card will usually be used to provjde 8 k bytes of program space at C000 to DFFF and 24 k bytes of text space at 2000 to 7FFF. A 16k byte card can then be used to fill the remajning space from 8000 to BFFF is required. The Acorn Dynamic RAM cards can be freely mixed with static RAM cards and they can be paged if wished.
680 Acorn 32k DRAM card, assembled and tested £149
681 Acorn 16k DRAM card, assembled and tested £126
374 Acorn 32k DRAM card manual £2

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The Acorn keyboard uses high quality 62 key mechanism. The keyboard encoder circuit has a 2 key rollover feature enabling fast typing speeds. ASCII is a 7-bit code for up to 128 characters and the keyboard outputs this code in parallel in seven signal lines at TTL level (TTL logic $0,+5 v$ logic 1). A single +5 v supply at 80 mA is required to run the keyboard. All connections to the keyboard are normally via a 20 -way flat ribbon cable which connects straight to Acorn computer sytems, using either 6502 or 6809 processors.

On the keyboard are some special function keys. Two of them connect straight to the output connector on individual signal lines giving a logic 0 when pressed. One may be used to reset the computer (break) and the other can be connected to an input port on the computer for examination by the users own software. Two other keys, control and shift, change the character set produced by the keyboard encoder to give ASCII control characters and upper/lower case selection. There is a shift lock key and another key locks the keyboard into a TTY caps mode (Teletype capitals).

Three LED's on the circuit board indicate TTY caps mode, shift mode and power on.

## CODE DESCRIPTION

PRICE
930 Keyboard, cased, for system 2,3 or 4
£136.00


The Visual Display Unjt Controller board connects to the standard Acorn bus, as used by Acorn Eurocard products and CUBIT computers and bus extensions. It provides a TV display for all such systems with 1 k of RAM memory mapped on the host computer data bus. Text and Teletext graphics are transparently written onto the screen by the CPU.

The intelligent device is a 6845 VDU controller which provides all the synchronisation signals to drjve a 625 line 50 fjelds per second VDU, together with refresh addresses for the character RAM. Characters are then fed to an SAA5050 character generator which produces the necessary dot patterns to create the characters to refresh the VDU.

The SAA5050 produces teletext characters and special effects (such as flash and double height) and has Red Green and Blue drive outputs givjng coloured text and graphics.

The card will drive a monchrome or colour tv monjtor directly via RGB or composite signals, plus sync, or vja an encoder and modulator will drive colour tv. In monochrome, colours appears as shades of grey.

The technjcal manual suppljed with the card has listings of a software driver for 6502 processor. When this card is supplied in a system, the software drivers are incorporated in the operating system.
740 Acorn 40 column VDU assembled and tested ..... £100
741 Acorn 40 column VDU in kjt form ..... £92
363 Acorn 40 column VDU technical manual ..... £1


The VDU interface is a $100 \times 160 \mathrm{~mm}$ Eurocard which comects via a 64 -way plug and socket to the standard Acorn computer bus. It produces a 1 volt composite signal which drives the 75 ohm input on a monitor.

The screen is mapped to a 2 K byte area of memory which usually resides at locations 1000 to 17 FF (hex). An MC6845 programmable controller IC provides the addresses for the screen memory, and the horizontal and vertical sync signals. Access to the screen memory is transparent with either a 1 MHz or a 2 MHz CPU clock.

A character generator ROM contains the full ASCII character set, and also produces recognisable symbols on the screen for many of the control codes. If required special character sets may be obtained by fitting a user-progranmed 2716 EPROM.

A 12 MHz dot clock is used to serialise the data from the character generator ROM and this is then fed to a video amplifier which provides a composite video output from the card. The high 12 MHz data rate used to produced 80 characters on a line may be unsuitable for UHF modulator applications, and in-order to view the $80 \times 25$ screen monitor diagonal of 10 inches or more will normally be required.

Software to drive the $80 \times 25$ VDU is contained within special versions of the systems 3 and 4 operating systems ROM's. £150.00


The analog interface offers the Acorn system user laboratory standard facilities for the examination and control of analog signals. It is a $100 \mathrm{~mm} \times 160 \mathrm{mn}$ Eurocard and connects to the standard Acom bus using a 64-way indirect connector (DIN 2-row) and employs the following devices:-

DAC1222 (2 off)
12 bit Digital to Analog convertors; fully buffered with BI-FET OP AMPS, giving output voltages in the range -5.12 v to +5.11 v a resolution of 2.5 mv .

ADC1210
12 bit Analog to Digital converter, with eight channel analog multiplexer and sample and hold circuit. Input voltage range -5.12 v to +5.1 vv , resolution 2.5 mN .

LH0071
Precision voltage reference ( 10.24 v ) removing any need for range adjustment or calibration on the ADC or the DAC 's.

6522
Versatile interface adapter. Controls the ADC enabling software programmable conversion rate using internal timers and full interrupt control of the analog system.

The board also has a single bit digital input and output signal, enabling a storage osilloscope or X-Y recorder to be driven directly by the analog outputs, using the digital output for the $z$ axis (beam on/off or pen down/up) and the input for the interrupt control.

ADC conversion rates:- 12 bit up to 10,000 conversion $/ \mathrm{sec}$. $8 / 10$ bit up to 25,000 conversion $/ \mathrm{sec}$.

Connections. 8 amalog inputs, 2 analog outputs, at -5.12 v to +5.11 v . Digital input, output at TTL level 10.24 v reference output.

All interleaved with reference ground lines.

| CODE | DESCRIPTION | PRICE |
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| 865 | Analog interface | 158.00 |
| 367 | Not available in kit form. | 1.00 |



The laboratory interface is designed for use on the standard Acorn Data Bus and provides 16 optically isolated comections each of which may function as input or output to the computer system. A remote circuit board with 16 semiconductor switches and LED indicators may be comected by up to 25 metres of 40 -way flat ribbon cable to the Eurocard.

The remote circuit board has 16 connections each of which is set to input or output using a switch. In its output mode each connection can drive loads drawing current at up to 3 amperes each from the remote supply DC voltage which may be in the range 6 to 48 v . A catching diode on each output allows inductive loads to be used. In input mode each connection is driven by contact closures to remote supply common. An LED indicates the state of each connection in input or output mode.

The remote supply voltage is optically isolated from the Acorn system on the interface Eurocard giving the computer immuity to electrical noise generated by the load switching. Noise produced by other equipment at the remte station is also isolated and ground loop problems encountered in the laboratory environment are eliminated. The remote supply can be different to the computer 0 volt line by as much as 48 v peak.

CODE DESCRIPTION
PRICE
860 Laboratory interface i/o with 16 i/o lines, outputs can drive 3A

861 Laboratory interface remote switch panel 85.00
862 Laboratory interface intercomection cable, 5 metres long 21.00
368 Laboratory interface technical manual 1.00


This Eurocard ( $100 \times 160 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) connects to the standard Acorn bus and provides an interface to one or two drives. It is capable of controlling four drive surfaces on two double sided drives. Single or double track density drives may be used. A 34-way flat ribbon connects to the drives after the Shugart interface standard. The intelligent device used is the Intel 8271. A number of disk operating systems are available for use in various systems.

CODE DESCRIPTION
PRICE
765 Floppy disk controller assembled and tested. 134.00
766 Floppy disk controller in kit form 129.00
357 Technical Manual for DOS, drive and controller card 3.50
364 Extract from Technical Manual 357, for controller only 1.00

For details of Disk Operating Systems and disk accessories, see section on Disk Drives and Accessories, page 2.14.


This board conects to the standard Acorn bus and may be used to program bipolar PROMs of the 745571 type and PROMs types 2758, 2516 , 2716 and 2532 ie. 5 v only $1 \mathrm{~K}, 2 \mathrm{~K}$ and 4 K byte devices.

A tecnical manual is supplied with the board which includes an assembly listing of a 1.5 K byte program allowing device type selection, copying of a ROMs contents into RAM, verification of a ROM contents against RAM and the blowing of a ROM to match the RAMs contents. A cyclic redundancy check is performed on ROM giving a signature identifying ROM data. The program requires that a Acorn Operating system 2,3 or 4 type, or CUBOS is present.

The programming board is longer than the usual Acorn Eurocard so that the two low insertion force ROM sockets are accessible from the front of the system. If desired this extra piece of board can be removed and connections to sockets on a remote panel can be made.

A +12 v supply is required for 745571 devices and a +26 v supply is required for the EPROMS. Power supplies for Control Universal and Acorn rack mounted systems supplied by Control Universal come complete with the necessary $+26 v$ supply.
CODE DESCRIPTION PRICE

| 790 | PROM programmer card, software included | 65.00 |
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| 791 | PROM programmer card in kit form | 60.00 |
| 792 | PROM programing software for Acorn systems | 9.00 |
|  | 3 and 4, supplied on disk at hex 2800 |  |
| 793 | PROM programming software in PROM for use with | 10.00 |
| 789 | AIM 65 and CBIT, in PROM at hex 8000 |  |
| 366 | PROM programming software on disk for use | 9.00 |
|  | Tith ATM 65 disk systems, at hex 2000 | 1.00 |



This board connects to the standard Acorn bus and provides interfaces via the three integrated circuits listed below.

6522 - VERSATILE INTERFACE ADAPTER
This device has two i/o ports which are each ten bit parallel, TTL level (ie. 8 individually programmable data bits plus 2 control bits) and a pair of interval timers for providing real time interrupts. One port connects to side B of the bus connector, the other via a high current buffer to the front of the board, where a 26 -way connector may be fitted. This connector is pin compatible with Centronics, Anadex and other printers.

INS 8255 I/O PORT
Provides three eight-bit ports, two of which can be programmed to be all output or all input, and one can have direction programmed in two groups of 4 bits.

MC6850 UNIVERSAL ASYNCHRONOUS RECEIVER/TRANSMITTER - (UART)
This device provides serial interfacing together with an MC14411 bit rate generator IC and a 1.8432 MHz crystal which enable standard baud rates in the range 75 to 9600 baud to be selected. Edge connectors on the front of the board provide a 20 mA teletype connection and a RS232C connection. The 20 mA serial input is via an optical isolator giving ground isolation between interconnected Acorn systems. The RS232C interface requires a $+/-12$ volt supply which may be either connected via the front edge connector or can be provided by an optional on board 5 v to $+/-12 \mathrm{v}$ converter module.

For spare chips see separate list.
CODE DESCRIPTION PRICE
870 Versatile Interface Board 94.00
871 As above, in kit form 89.00
872 ADI +/-12v supply 7.50
489 Printer interface cable 1 m long to connect VIB to Centronics-type printer connector. 15.00

Technical manual for versatile interface board

## ACORN BUS EXTENDER



The Acorn Bus Extender is a Eurocard ( $100 \mathrm{~mm} \times 160 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) which plugs into any backplane plug using the DIN 64 way two row a/b socket. This brings the 64 connections to the front of the Eurocard rack where a socket projects out. Any other Eurocard can then be plugged into the extender card, leaving the Eurocard clear of the rack for easy access, allowing it to be serviced or developed while operating in the system.

## EUROCARD FRONT PANELS



835 Eurocard Front Panel for all standard cards requiring no cut out - eg. memory cards
840 Eurocards Front Pane1 for Acorn CPU cards, 20 way plug
7.00

841 Eurocard Front Panel for CUBIT cpu cards 26 way plug 7.00
845 Eurocard Front Panel for Acorn VDU cards with holes for phono socket, DIN socket and reverse video switch
Eurocard Front Panel for Acorn VIB card


The In-Circuit Emulator (ICE) allows a computer system employing the standard Acorn data bus to connect to a second microprocessor target system by way of its processor chip socket. Once established this connection may be used to test hardware and to evaluate software in the target system. The ICE is extremely useful in the development of new microprocessor products and in the test and repair of existing equipment.

The ICE hardware is carried on a single Eurocard ( $160 \mathrm{~mm} \times 100 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) which connects to the stanlard Acorn system bus. A 40 way flat ribbon plugs into the front of the ICE and provides connection to the 40 way dual in-line plug for the target processor socket.

In operation the the ICE relocates any two blocks in the target system to appear as blocks A and B in the host system. The selection of the two blocks is achieved by writing to the ICE control register which is a latch on the ICE card. After setting the control register any read or write operations by the host system to its blocks A or B are sent down the ICE cable into the target system. In this way the target system hardware may be accessed for testing with the same bus timing as would appear from its own processor. As the block selection is under software control programs for testing the target hardware can dynamically relocate the whole of the target memory map to be tested.

The ICE is principally designed for use with the 6502 processor. The ICE 6809/6802 adaptor allows the ICE to be used with a target system designed for either the 6802 or the 6809 processors. This may be done regardless of the type of processor in the host sytem, as the purpose of the ICE is to make memory areas in the target system available to the host system for reading and writing.

695 Acorn In-Circuit Emulator with technical manual

679 In-circuit emulator 40 way cable
698 ICE 6809/6802 adaptor
375 Acorn ICE card technical manual

