

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

- Type of line to be written (continuous, dotted, dashed and dotted-dashed)
- Character position (on the X axis, on the Y axis, vertical or italic characters)
- Image memory write only mode. In this case, the display possibilities of the GDP are inhibited and only the write and dynamic RAM refresh cycles are provided.

C-SIZE REGISTER (see table 3)
This register contains the X and Y scaling factors used to program the size of the symbols. The 96 symbols (see table 4) are contained in a 96 x 5 x 8 dot matrix internal ROM. In the standard version of the GDP, the ROM contains the alphanumeric characters of the ASCII code. The two scaling factors are independent integers which may vary each from 1 to 16. The symbol generation sequence is started after writing the ASCII code of the symbol to be represented in the CMD register.

X and Y REGISTERS. These two 12-bit registers indicate the position of the dot to be written in the display memory. They have no relation with the current video spot position on the screen but these two registers are incremented or decremented by the internal vector and symbol generators before any writing in the display memory. They may be set to a value through direct writing of the microprocessor. These two registers define a 4096 x 4096 working address space. But only a 512 x 512 addressing space will be memorized and therefore only the 9 LSBs of each register are used. The MSBs are either ignored (cycling screen of 512 x 512) or used (cycling screen of 4096 x 4096). Due to this feature, the real display may be considered as a small window in the full addressing space. As vector coding may be completely relative, vector cutting at the edges of the screen need not be calculated but is clearly achieved by the GDP alone.

DELTA X and DELTA Y REGISTERS.

These two 8-bit registers represent the projection, on the X and Y axes respectively, of the vector to be plotted. They are unsigned values. The direction of the vector must be written in the command register : CMD.

XLP and YLP REGISTERS

These two 8-bit read-only registers contain the address of the light pen. This address is latched by the first rising edge of LPCK during the light pen sequence.

The EF9365 family circuits are true graphic display processors, programmable via an 8-bit microprocessor bus. Besides all the necessary logic needed to perform a complete interface to raster scan CRT displays, the GDP includes two hardwired display processors, i.e. a vector and a character generator.

This unique feature allows an ultra fast screen writing speed (the diagonal may be written in less than 700µs) at almost no microprocessor processing cost.

The GDP is particularly well fitted to all applications in which the memory display is not directly addressed by the MPU. This feature allows a total asynchronism between the MPU and the GDP memory cycles and preserves the whole MPU memory addressing space. Nevertheless, in the case where direct exchange between the microprocessor and the memory is necessary, the on-chip allocation controller will allow this exchange without display interference. The GDP interfaces to the processor bus on an 8-bit bidirectional data bus, a 4 bit address bus and an interrupt request line, using a Read/Write and an Enable as control signals.

DESCRIPTION OF THE 11 INTERNAL REGISTERS (see table 1)

COMMAND REGISTER : CMD (see table 2)
Each writing in the CMD register triggers the corresponding action, i.e. :

- Vector plot sequence
- Symbol plot sequence
- Erase sequence
- Light pen sequence
- External memory access
- Writing in the internal registers.

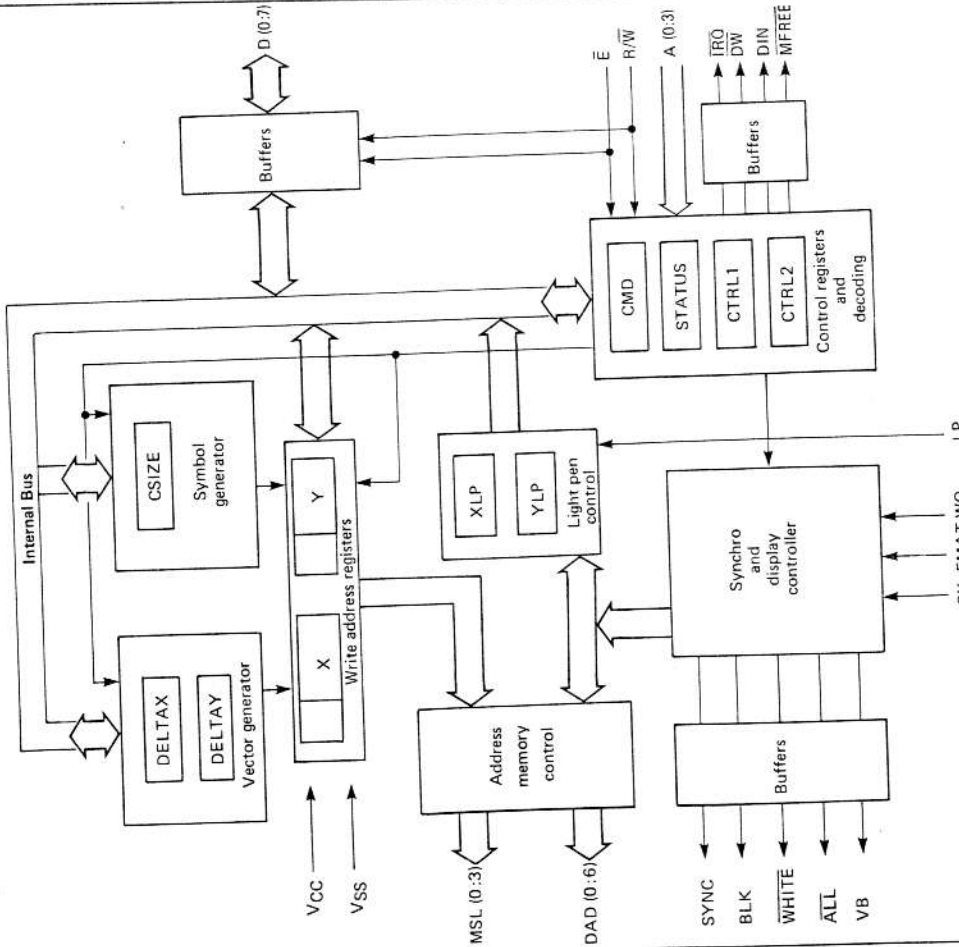
STATUS REGISTER (see table 3)

This 8-bit read-only register gives the current status of the GDP. It should be tested to insure that an instruction which needs several cycles has been completed before sending a new one.

CTRL1 and CTRL2 CONTROL REGISTERS (see table 3)
These two 7 and 4 bit registers are used to control the GDP activity :

- Write (or erase) display memory inhibition (similar to "pen up", "pen down")
- Display write (or erase) modes
- Inhibition of the 3 MSBs of the X and Y registers (512 x 512 cyclic screen)
- Interrupt mask

BLOCK DIAGRAM



PIN DESCRIPTION

- VSS: VCC
- CK: Clock (TTL level : 1.75 MHz for the CCIR standard : 625 lines 50 Hz)
- FMAT_WO: Inputs for selectable functions
- SYNC, BLK, VB: Synchro and blanking signals
- DAD (0:6), MSL (0:3), ALL: Display memory address signals
- DIN: Data in
- DW: Display write
- MFREE: Memory free
- D (0:7): Data
- A (0:3): Address
- R/W, E, IRQ: Control signals
- WHITE, LPCK: Light pen signals

TABLE 1 - REGISTER ADDRESS

ADDRESS REGISTER		REGISTER FUNCTIONS		Number of bits
Binary	Hexa	Read R/W = 1	Write R/W = 0	
A3	A0			
0 0 0 0	0	STATUS	CMD (Command)	8
0 0 0 1	1	CTRL 1 (Write control and interrupt control)		7
0 0 1 0	2	CTRL 2 (Vector and symbol type control)		4
0 0 1 1	3	CSIZE (Character size)		8
0 1 0 0	4	Not used		—
0 1 0 1	5	DELTA X		8
0 1 1 0	6	Not used		—
0 1 1 1	7	DELTA Y		8
1 0 0 0	8	X Most significant bits		4
1 0 0 1	9	X Least significant bits		8
1 0 1 0	A	Y Most significant bits		4
1 0 1 1	B	Y Least significant bits		8
1 1 0 0	C	XLP (Light-pen)	Not used	7
1 1 0 1	D	YLP (Light-pen)	Not used	8
1 1 1 0	E	Not used		—
1 1 1 1	F	Not used		—

TABLE 2 - COMMAND REGISTER

b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0	Function
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Set bit 1 of CTRL1 : Pen select
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	Clear bit 1 of CTRL1 : Eraser select
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	Set bit 0 of CTRL1 : Pen/Eraser down select
0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	Clear bit 0 of CTRL1 : Pen/Eraser up select
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Clear screen
0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	X and Y reset to 0 and clear screen
0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	Clear screen, set CSIZE to code "minsize". All other registers reset to 0 (except XLP, YLP)
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Light-pen initialization
1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	Light-pen initialization
1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5 x 8 block drawing (size according to CSIZE)
1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	4 x 4 block drawing (size according to CSIZE)
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	Screen scanning
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	Pen or Eraser as defined by CTRL1
1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	X registers reset to 0
1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	Y registers reset to 0
1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	Direct image memory access request for the next free cycle.

TABLE 3 - OTHER REGISTERS

STATUS REGISTER (Read only)

7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0

- 7 HIGH = light-pen sequence ended
- 6 HIGH = vertical blanking (idem on pin VB) and not masked
- 5 HIGH = ready for a new command ; LOW = busy
- 4 HIGH = pen out of memory display (logical OR of the 6 MSBs of the X and Y registers)
- 3 HIGH = light-pen sequence ended IRQ (if enabled)
- 2 HIGH = vertical blanking IRQ (if enabled)
- 1 HIGH = ready for a new command IRQ (if enabled)
- 0 Interrupt request (logical OR of bits 4,5,6) ; HIGH when IRQ output is low.

CONTROL REGISTER 1 (Read/Write)

7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0

- 7 HIGH = pen down ; LOW = pen up (control DIN output)
- 6 HIGH = pen ; LOW = eraser (control DIN output)
- 5 HIGH = high speed write : no video (BLK output is high, mini. of memory refresh cycles)
- 4 HIGH = cyclic screen (memory display write even if bit 3 of the status register is high)
- 3 HIGH = enable end of the light pen sequence IRQ
- 2 HIGH = enable VB IRQ
- 1 HIGH = enable ready for a new command IRQ
- 0 Not used (0 for reading)

CONTROL REGISTER 2 (Read/Write)

7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0

Not used (always read as 0)

Type of plot vectors

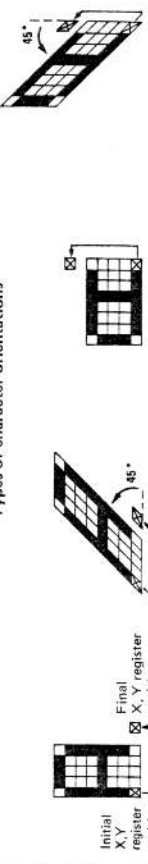
Type of character orientations

Type of plot vector

b1	b0	Type of plot vector
0	0	continuous
0	1	dotted
1	0	dashed
1	1	dotted-dashed

2 dots on, 2 dots off
4 dots on, 4 dots off
10 dots on, 2 dots off,
2 dots on, 2 dots off.

Types of character orientations



b3 = 0, b2 = 0
b3 = 0, b2 = 1
b3 = 1, b2 = 0
b3 = 1, b2 = 1

C-SIZE REGISTER (Read/Write)

P : Scaling factor on X axis
Q : Scaling factor on Y axis

P and Q may take any value between 1 and 16. This value is given by the leftmost or rightmost 4 bits for P and Q respectively. Binary value (0) means 16.

X and Y REGISTERS

The 4 MSBs of X and Y are located in the LSB positions of addresses 8 and A respectively (the 4 leftmost bits are always 0). The 8 LSBs of X and Y are located in addresses 9 and B respectively.

LIGHT PEN REGISTER (XLP Register)

7 6 5 4 3 2 1 0

Status bit *
always 0

6 bit XLP value (by incremental steps of 4)

* Set if a rising edge occurs on the LPCK during the frame of a light pen sequence. The status bit is reset after reading of XLP or YLP.

TABLE 4 — ASCII CHARACTER GENERATOR (5 x 8 matrix)

b3	b2	b1	b0	b7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
b3	b2	b1	b0	b6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
b3	b2	b1	b0	b5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
b3	b2	b1	b0	b4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0		P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	[]
0	0	0	1		p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z	{	}
0	0	1	0		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1		0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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1	1	0	1		1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	0		1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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