

User's Manual

CONTROL BOARD FOR LT-122x/132x MODEL BD2-1220/1221

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 - Install the control board in a well-ventilated place. Do not use the control board in such a manner that its ventilation slots are blocked.
 - Do not install the control board in a place like a laboratory where chemical reactions are expected, or in a place where saltish gases are present in the atmosphere.
 - Use the control board only on the specified voltage and frequency. Otherwise, fire or smoke generation may occur.
 - Do not connect/ disconnect the power cord or data cable by holding the cable. Do not pull or carry the control board in such a manner that undesirable force is applied to the cables.
 - Do not drop or insert any foreign substances, such as paper clips or pins, into the control board.
 - Do not spill any liquid on or spray any chemical-containing liquid over the control board. If you spilled water or any other liquid onto this product, immediately shut off power supply and contact your CBM dealer.
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 - Do not place the equipment where it can be easily touched during operation. Otherwise, possible shock or static build-up may cause fire or damage to the control board electronics.

PRECAUTIONS FOR INSTALLATION

- Do not use or store the Control Board BD2-1220/1221 in a place exposed to heat of fire, moisture or direct sunlight, or in a place where the prescribed operating temperature and humidity are not met, or in a place exposed to oily mist, iron powder or dust; otherwise, the control board may get out of order, emit smoke or catch fire.
- Do not install the control board in a place like a laboratory where chemical reactions are expected, or in a place where saltish gases are present in the atmosphere; otherwise, there may occur a danger of fire or electric shock.
- Install the control board on a horizontal, sturdy table in a place provided with proper ventilation and free from any vibration. Do not install in an unstable place, as this may lead to equipment failure.
- Do not use the control board near a radio or television receiver. Avoid sharing an electrical outlet with a radio or television receiver, or this may cause a reception problem.
- Never connect the grounding cable to a gas pipe, or this may lead to a danger of explosion.
- Be sure to turn off the power of the control board and the host computer connected before connecting or disconnecting the cables; always hold both plug and cable. Do not use or wire the control board in such a manner that an undesirable load is applied to the cables.
- Connect the connector cables correctly and securely.
- Use shielding wires or twist paired wires for signal lines in order to minimize the effects from noise. Do not extend the data cable too long.
- Do not connect the data cable to noisy equipment.
- In case of emergency, always place the control board so that it is easily disconnected from the power source.

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PRECAUTIONS FOR HANDLING

Observe the following precautions to use the Control Board BD2-1220/1221 correctly and avoid troubles from occurring.

- Use only the rated supply voltage specified for this product.
- Exercise care not to drop any metallic foreign object onto this product.
- Do not spill any liquid on the control board, or spray it with any chemical-containing liquid.
- Do not stamp on, drop, hit, or impart any strong shock to the control board.
- Wirings to other devices should be carefully established to avoid cross connections which may damage not only the control board itself, but other system devices attached to it.
- This product should only be used with the specified peripheral devices.
- Do not use the control board in a place where it can easily come into contact with the hands.
- This product contains devices that are sensitive to electrostatic damage. When handling, keep any source of static electricity away from the control board.
- Do not connect this product to, or install it in the vicinity of, any equipment that is the source of electromagnetic noise. The control board may have an adverse affect on any attached peripherals. We recommend you use some kind of noise insulating device with this equipment.
- This product can be reconfigured for non-default operation parameters. When using a soldering iron for jumper reconnections, exercise care not to damage the adjacent parts. Also be sure to turn off the control board before launching reconfiguration work.
- When reshipping this product, carefully pack it to protect it from vibration, deformation, or electrostatic damage possible in transit.

To prevent injuries and associated damages:

- Should any abnormal condition occur while the control board is operating, stop it immediately and disconnect the power plug from the wall outlet.
- This product may partially heats up as a result of extended use. Allow a sufficient time to cool off before starting repair or maintenance work.
- In case of trouble, never attempt to repair the control board yourself. Be sure to call your dealer for servicing.
- Before using this product for the first time, please read the instructions throughout this manual.

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1. GENERAL OUTLINE

The BD2-1220/1221 Control Board is designed to operate the LT-1220/21 or LT-1320/21 Thermal Print Mechanism from a PC. It incorporates maximum versatility that makes it applicable to diverse purposes. Before using this product for the first time, read the instructions throughout this manual.

1.1 Features

- (1) Ultra-compact design.
- (2) Selectable serial or parallel printer interface.
- (3) Support for both 80 mm (LT-132x) and 58 mm (LT-122x) print heads.
- (4) Built-in input buffer.
- (5) Bar-code Printing (Possible using special commands).
- (6) Page Mode, which allows you to lay out pages freely.
- (7) Registration of user-defined characters and logos into flash memory.
- (8) Auto cutter mechanism provided as a standard unit.
- (9) Paper End and Paper Near End sensors incorporated.
- (10) Mounting hole geometry identical to those on the LT-122x.

1.2 Before using

After unpacking, make sure that the following items are included in the package:

Control Board:	1
Interface Cable:	1 (cable length 300 mm)
Ribbon cable for print head interface:	1 (cable length 100 mm)

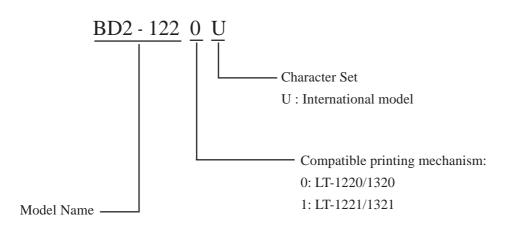


- Whenever plugging or unplugging a cable, be sure to remove power from the control board.
- Never short connector pins to each other.
- Use the power supply, LED lights, and interface within their specified ratings.
- Install the control board on a flat, sturdy table.
- Do not install the control board near a heater or in a place exposed to direct sunlight.
- Do not use the control board in a high-temperature, high-humidity, or heavily contaminated environment.
- Do not use the control board in an environment where condensation may occur. If condensation should occur, leave the power turned off until condensation evaporates completely.

2. BASIC SPECIFICATIONS

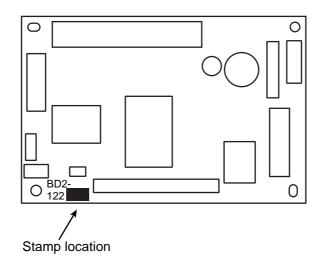
2.1 Model Classification

The control board models are classified by the following designation method:



The control board has the following model identification:

Letter "U" and number "0" or "1" are stamped on the component side following the model number.



2.2 Basic Specifications

Model	BD2-122xU			
Print method	Line thermal dot print method			
Paper width/printable area width	LT-122x: Paper width: 58mm Printable area width: 54mm LT-132x: Paper width: 80mm Printable area width: 72mm			
Total number of dots	LT-122x: 432 dots/lines LT-132x: 576 dots/lines			
Dot density	8 dots/mm			
Print speed	MAX. 640 dot lines/sec			
Paper feed span	0.125mm			
Number of print columns	LT-122x: Font A: 36 columnsFont B: 48 columnsLT-132x: Font A: 48 columnsFont B: 64 columns			
Character size	Font A: 1.25 × 3.00mm Font B: 0.88 × 3.00mm			
Character type	Alphanumeric, International characters, symbols, Code 437, 850, 852, 857, 860, 863, 865, 866, Windows code, Katakana			
Logo registration/print	Capable of registering user-defined characters and logos into flash memory.			
Types of bar code	UPC-A/E, JAN (EAN) 13 columns/8 columns, ITF, CODABAR, CODE39, CODE93, CODE128			
Line spacing	4.23mm (1/6 inch) (Controllable with command)			
Interfacing	Serial (RS-232C), Parallel (Centronics compliant)			
Input buffer	4K bytes			
Sensors	Print head temperature, paper, head-up, and driving voltage sensors			
Supply voltagesLogic: 5V ±5%Approx. 200 mA (ANK slide printing)Driver: 24V ±10%0.7 A on average (For 12.5% of print area)				
Current consumptionPrint head: Approx. 5.2 A max. (for simultaneous 288-dot drivin Approx. 0.52 A on average (For 12.5% of print area) Motor: Approx. 0.4 A max. (Mean head resistance at 25°C and 6 Approx. 0.14 A on average				
Thermal paper	Thermal paper/thermal roll paper Paper width: 58 mm (80mm) +0, -1mm Paper thickness: 60 to 150 µm (Depending on mechanism)			
Operating temperature and humidity	5 to 40°C, 35 to 85%RH (No condensation)			
Storage temperature and humidity	$\frac{1}{20}$ to 60°C, 10 to 90%RH (No condensation)			
Outside dimensions	90mm (W) \times 65mm (D) \times 20mm (H) (See the outline drawings.)			
Weight	Approx. 40g (Control Board only)			

2.3 Print Paper Specifications

Use the recommended thermal papers listed below:

TF50KS-E2C (normal paper) from Nippon Paper

F230AA (normal paper) from Mitsubishi Paper or equivalent

- * Paper thickness depends on the thermal head models.
- * If an unspecified thermal paper is used, print tone may vary from the standard print tone.
- * To preserve printed information for extended time period, carefully control temperature, humidity, and other storage conditions.
- * For the details of usable thermal papers, refer to the Specifications for each thermal print head.
- * While you can use up to 150μm of paper thickness on some print heads, it is limited to 80 μm if the auto cutter (ACS-220/230 Series) is used.

2.4 Thermal Print Head and Peripheral Devices

The control board supports the following thermal print heads and peripheral devices:

- Thermal print head
 80-mm paper: LT-1320/1321
 58-mm paper: LT-1220/1221
- (2) Auto cutter ACS-230/220 Series Auto Cutter
- (3) Paper Near End sensor (optional)
- * For more detailed specifications for these devices, refer to each User's Manual.



3. INTERCONNECTION

3.1 Interface Connector (CN1)

3.1.1 Pin Description

Pin No.	Signal Name	Input/Output	Function
1, 2	Vdd	—	Logic power supply (+5 V)
3, 4	GND	—	Logic ground
5~10	Vp	—	Driver power supply (+24 V)
11~16	P-GND		Driver ground
17	nLF-SW	Input	LF switch input (paper feed)
18	nERROR	Output	ERROR LED output (direct diving)
19	nPEOUT	Output	PE LED output (direct driving)
20	DTR	Output	Serial interface DTR
21	TD	Output	Serial interface TD
22	RD	Input	Serial interface RD
23	DSR	Input	Serial interface DSR
24	DATA 0	Input	Parallel interface DATA 0
25	DATA 1	Input	Parallel interface DATA 1
26	DATA 2	Input	Parallel interface DATA 2
27	DATA 3	Input	Parallel interface DATA 3
28	DATA 4	Input	Parallel interface DATA 4
29	DATA 5	Input	Parallel interface DATA 5
30	DATA 6	Input	Parallel interface DATA 6
31	DATA 7	Input	Parallel interface DATA 7
32	nSTROBE	Input	Parallel interface STROBE
33	BUSY	Output	Parallel interface BUSY
34	nFAULT	Output	Parallel interface FAULT
35	SELECT	Output	Parallel interface SELECT
36	PE	Output	Parallel interface PE
37	nACK	Output	Parallel interface ACK
38	N. C		No Connection
39	N. C		No Connection
40	nRESET	Input	Parallel interface RESET

Connector: 53313-4015 (Molex)

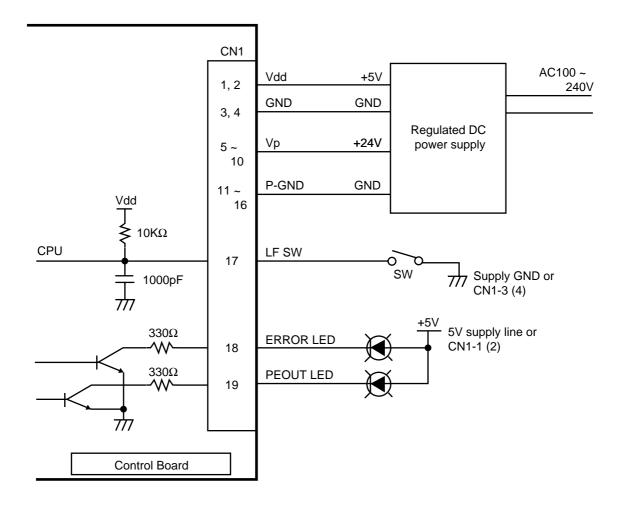
Accessory cable:

Connector shell: 51089-4005 (Molex) Terminal: 50212 (Molex) Cable: AWG26 (UL1007) or equivalent Cable length: 300 mm (not terminated)

*Prefix "n" to signal names denotes active Low signals.

3.1.2 Example of Power Connections

* For the serial and parallel interface connections, see the sections dedicated to the respective interface.



- (1) The ERROR and PEOUT LED lights have a current limiting resistor of 330Ω each to limit driving current to 10 mA. An LED with forward voltage drop under 2 V should thus be used for these lights. A driving current exceeding 10 mA could damage the control board electronics.
- (2) The logic power supply (Vdd and GND) may have supply and return connections only to a single pin each. However, the driver power supply (Vp and P-GND) must be connected to all the available pins in order to secure the specified drive current capacity.
- (3) As shown above, the LF-SW input connection is a circuit that uses a ceramic capacitor to prevent chattering. You can adjust the switch if chattering is severe.
- (4) The RESET input is pulled up to Vdd with an on-board 3.3K Ω resistor. Leave it at NC if it will not be used.
- (5) The serial interface uses RS-232C driver and receiver. Be sure to use RS-232C compatible signal levels for this interface.
- (6) Unused terminals should be insulated to keep exposed cable leads from them.

3.2 Print Head Interface Connector (CN2)

3.2.1 Pin Description

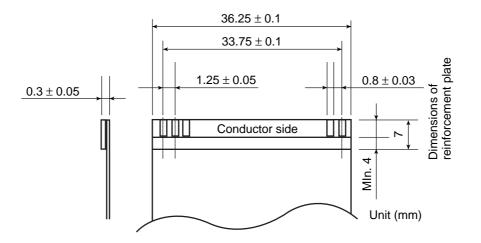
Pin No.	Signal Name		Input/Output	Function
1 11 1 10.	LT-122x	LT-132x	input/output	i unction
1~4	Vp			Thermal head power supply
5	DO		Input	Serial print data input
6	CLK		Output	Data transfer clock
7	LAT		Output	Print data latch signal
8	N. C	STB 2	— (Output)	N.C. (Strobe 2)
9	STB 1		Output	Strobe 1
10	ТМ			Thermistor
11~19	GND			GND
20	ТМ			Thermistor
21	Vdd			Thermal head driver power supply
22	STB 3	STB 4	Output	Strobe 3 (4)
23	STB 2	STB 3	Output	Strobe 2 (3)
24	D1		Output	Serial print data output
25~28	Vp		—	

Connectors: CFF1128-0101 (SMK)

52045-2845 (Molex) or equivalent

- * Note that the cable connector pin arrangement is in the reverse order to that on the control board. The pin arrangement above is that on the control board.
- * For the details of print head mechanisms, see the specifications for each model of print head.

3.2.2 Compatible FFC Cable



Pin	Pin No.		Sensor Signal Name	Input/Output	Function
LT-1x20	LT-1x21			mput/Output	Function
CN3-1	_	Head-up	HU-A	Output	
CN3-2	CN7-1	sensor	GND		
CN3-3	CN7-2		HU-C	Input	Head-Up signal input
CN3-4	CN3-4	Paper	PE-C	Output	
CN3-5	CN3-5	sensor	PE-K	Input	
CN3-6	CN3-6		PE-A	Output	
CN3-7	CN3-7		PE-E	Input	Paper-End signal input

3.3 Head-Up and Paper End Sensor Connectors (CN3 & CN7)

Connectors: 52045-0745 (Molex)

5597-04CPB (Molex)

53047-0210 (Molex) or equivalent

* For the LT-1x21, CN3 uses a 4-pin connector, and CN7 is shorted out with J12 (remove this jumper if the platen open sensor is installed).

3.4 Motor Connector (CN4)

Pin No.	Signal Name	Input/Output	Function
1	Motor A+	Output	Motor Drive signal A+
2	Motor B+	Output	Motor Drive signal B+
3	Motor A-	Output	Motor Drive signal A-
4	Motor B-	Output	Motor Drive signal B-

Connectors: 53047-0410 (Molex)

3.5 Auto Cutter Connector (CN5)

Pin No.	Signal Name	Input/Output	Function
1	M+	Output	Cutter Motor Drive signal M+
2	M-	Output	Cutter Motor Drive signal M-
3	GND	—	GND
4	SW	Input	Cutter switch input signal

Connectors: 5267-04A-X (Molex)

• You should use a ACS-220/230 series paper cutter.

• If you are not using the paper cutter, turn the Auto Cutter function on the DIP switch to the OFF position.

3.6 Paper Near-End Sensor Connector (CN6) * Option

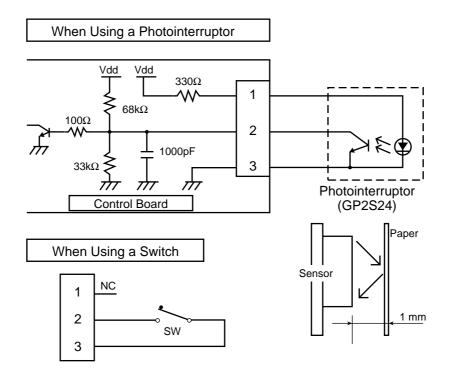
3.6.1 Pin Description

Pin No.	Signal Name	Input/Output	Function
1	PNE-A	Output	Photointerruptor's anode
2	PNE-C	Input	Photointerruptor's collector
3	GND		Photointerruptor's cathode and emitter

Connectors: 5267-03A-X (Molex)

By default, pin 2 is tied to pin 3 with jumper J11 to deactivate the paper sensor (paper always remains). If you need the Paper Near-End sensor function, obtain the connector above.

3.6.2 Reference Schematic Diagram



* The schematic diagram above is for a reflective photointerruptor. In this case the gap between the sensor and paper surface should be approx. 1 mm. The electrical characteristics of the paper sensor differ from one sensor model to another. Carefully study the specifications for the sensor you use.

* The control board has the following sensing threshold voltages (across pins 2 and 3):

0 to 0.4 V: Paper exists.

1 V or above: Paper end.

Paper sense status can not be guaranteed at any other voltage.

4. CONFIGURING THE CONTROL BOARD FUNCTIONS

Some of the control board functions can be configured with DIP switches and/or jumpers.

4.1 DIP switches

No.	Function	ON	OFF	Factory setting
1	Auto cutter	Available	Not available	OFF
2	CR mode	LF Operation	Ignored	OFF
3	Print density	See Ta	See Table (1).	
4	T fint density	See Table (1).		OFF
5	Print head	LT-1200/1221 LT-1320/1321		ON
6	Communication mode	XON/XOFF DTR/DSR		OFF
7	Baud rate	See Table (2).		ON
8	Baad Ide			OFF

Sections 6-8 are only valid for serial interface.

(1) Print density

Print density	3	4
Light	OFF	OFF
Standard	ON	OFF
Slightly dark	OFF	ON
Dark	ON	ON

(2) Baud rate

Baud rate	7	8
4,800bps	OFF	OFF
9,600bps	ON	OFF
19,200bps	OFF	ON
38,400bps	ON	ON

4.2 Jumpers

No.	Function	Short	Open	Factory setting
J1				Short
J2	Code page	See Table (3).		Short
J3	Code page			Short
J4				Short
J5	Auto loading	Valid	Invalid	Short
	Condition for BUSY	Descrition	• Off-line	
J6		Reception	 Reception 	Short
	to occur	buffer full	buffer full	
J7	Parity	Not available	Available	Short
J8	Parity bit	Even	Odd	Short

Jumpers J7 and J8 are valid only if the serial interface is specified.

• Use a soldering iron to change jumper setting on J1-J8. When soldering or unsoldering, exercise care not to damage adjacent parts.

(3) Code Page

Code Page	J1	J2	J3	J4
PC437 (USA, EU Standard)	Short	Short	Short	Short
Katakana (Japanese)	Open	Short	Short	Short
PC850 (Multilingual)	Short	Open	Short	Short
PC860 (Portuguese)	Open	Open	Short	Short
PC863 (Canadian-French)	Short	Short	Open	Short
PC865 (Nordic)	Open	Short	Open	Short
PC852 (Eastern Europe)	Short	Open	Open	Short
PC866 (Russian)	Open	Open	Open	Short
PC857 (Turkish)	Short	Short	Short	Open
Windows Code	Open	Short	Short	Open
Not defined	Short	Open	Short	Open
Not defined	Open	Open	Short	Open
Not defined	Short	Short	Open	Open
Unused	Open	Short	Open	Open
Not defined	Short	Open	Open	Open
Blank page	Open	Open	Open	Open

* When Katakana is selected, the international character is set for Japanese. Otherwise, it is set for USA.

* "Blank page" is an area for user registration, and is blank (Space) by default.

4.3 Preset Jumper

The control board allows the user to choose from serial and parallel interfaces:

	Function	R side	P side	Factory setting
PJ	Interface	Serial	Parallel	P side

* The parallel interface is selected by default.



- The input buffer size is fixed to 4K bytes.
- Serial data length is fixed to 8 bits.
- Printing rate decreases with print tone.
- The preset jumper setting remains valid until the control board is powered up next time or is reset.

5. POWER SUPPLY

5.1 Specifications

Vdd: 5 VDC \pm 5%, approx. 200 mA

Vp: 24 VDC $\pm 10\%$, approx. 0.7 A on average (approx. 6 A peak)

The data above is at 25°c and normal humidity.

AC is at 12.5% print area and 24 VDC. It varies with printing condition, operating environment, operating condition, and some other factors.

5.2 Precautions

- (1) Design the product to supply power to Vdd before Vp (within 100 ms) when power is supplied to this control board.
- (2) Design the product to turn off the power for Vdd after Vp when power is turned off.
- (3) Make sure to turn off the power in case of connecting / disconnecting connectors.
- (4) Make sure to use Vdd and Vp following their specifications.
- (5) Make sure to use this control board connecting all of terminals between Vp and P-GND.
- (6) The Vdd power supply should have a capacity to meet the current 0.2A or more.
- (7) The Vp power supply should have a capacity enough to meet the peak current requirement.

- A power supply not complying with the specified ratings may adversely affect print results.
- A power supply with insufficient peak current capacity may cause poor print quality or a low-voltage error.
- In case of emergency, always place the control board so that it is easily disconnected from the power source.
- The power supply should preferably be equipped with overvoltage protection, overcurrent protection, or other protection features.
- The control board requires a dual supply voltage. Exercise care to avoid cross power connection as it may not only damage the control board electronics but adversely affect the user or peripheral devices.
- If you feel odd smell during operation, immediately shut off the power to the device.
- The control board uses the same interface cable as that used with the BD2-2880. Care should be exercised as the two boards require different supply voltages.

6. PARALLEL INTERFACE

6.1 Specifications

Data transfer method:8-bit parallelSynchronizing method:Controlled by nStrobe signal externally suppliedHandshaking:Handled by nAck and Busy signalsSignal level:All signals are TTL compatibleOther control signals:PE, nFAULT, SELECT

* Bidirectional Parallel Interface (IEEE1284)

The control board supports the bidirectional parallel interface (IEEE-1284).

(1) Compatibility Mode (Host \rightarrow Printer communication : Centronics compliant)

This control board provides Compatibility Mode, which specifies the Centronics interface conventionally used for a wide variety of applications. The control board is placed in this mode by default.

(2) Reverse Mode (Printer \rightarrow Host communication)

Data transfer from the control board to the host computer is conducted in Nibble or Byte Mode. The reverse mode has been devised to handle data transfer from an asynchronous printer controlled by a host computer.

In Nibble Mode, data is transferred, 4-bits (a nibble) at a time, using existing control lines. In Byte Mode, data is transferred by making 8-bit data lines bi-directional. Note that either mode cannot work simultaneously with Compatibility Mode, thus resulting in half-duplex transmission.

To make Reverse Mode valid, pins 38 and 39 must be used as well as the parallel interface:

Pin 38: nAutoFD

Pin 39: nSelectIN

The bidirectional communications capability is not available unless these two pins are used. Leave it at NC if it will not be used.

6.2 Description of Input and Output signals

6.2.1 Input signals

- DATA 0~7: An 8-bit parallel signal. (Active "High")
- nSTROBE: A strobe signal to help read 8-bit data. (Active "Low")
- nRESET: Resets the control board (active "Low").

6.2.2 Output signals

• nACK:	An 8-bit data request signal, which is output at the end of a Busy signal.
	(Active "Low")
• BUSY:	A signal to indicate a busy state of the control board. Input new data when this signal is
	"Low". (Active "High")
• nFAULT:	This signal becomes "Low" when alarmed. At this time, all control circuits in the control
	board are deactivated. (Active "Low")
• PE:	A signal to indicate that the paper supply has become low or has run out completely.
	(Active "High")

6.2.3 Power related signal

• GND: Common ground on circuits.

6.3 Electrical Characteristics

(1) Input signal level

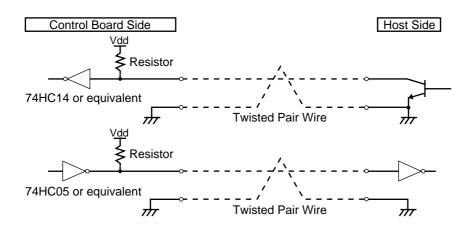
"High" level: 0.7Vdd MIN "Low" level: 0.3Vdd MAX

(2) Output signal level

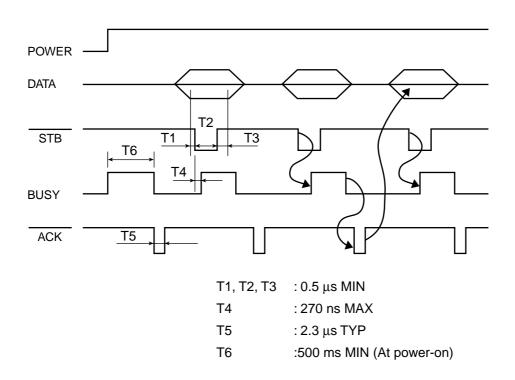
"High" level: Vdd-0.1V MIN "Low" level: 0.1V MAX

(3) Input and output conditions

The nRESET and Data 0-7 inputs are pulled up to Vdd with 10 K Ω and 50 K Ω resistors, respectively. All other input and output lines are pulled up to Vdd with 3.3 K Ω resistors.



6.4 Timing Chart (Compatibility Mode)



Data input and print timing

6.5 Data Reception Control

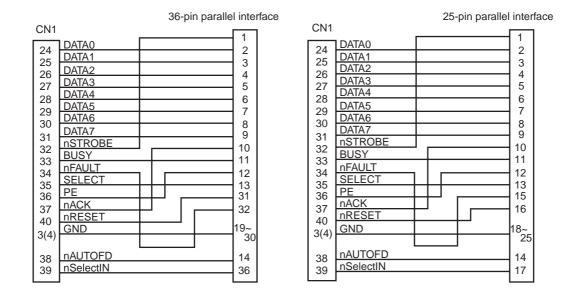
When the Busy signal is at "LOW", the control board can receive data from the host computer, but when at "HIGH", data reception is not possible.

6.6 Buffering

Since the control board can buffer 4K bytes of data, the host computer is immediately made free.

6.7 Connections to Parallel Port

(1) Connections to 36-pin/25-pin parallel port



(2) Connections to other parallel port

When connecting to other parallel port, check signal names and their destinations and establish correct connections.

7. SERIAL INTERFACE

7.1 Specifications

(1) Synchronizing system:

Asynchronous

(2) Baud rate

4800, 9600, 19200, 38400bps (User selectable)

(3) Configuration of one word

Start bit:	1-bit
Data bits:	8-bits (fixed length)
Parity bit:	Odd, even, or none (User selectable)
Stop bit:	1-bit or more

(4) Signal polarity

RS-232C

- Mark = Logic "1" (-3 V to -12 V)
- Space = Logic "0" (+3 V to +12 V)

(5) Received data (RD signal)

RS-232C

- Mark = 1
- Space = 0

(6) Reception control (DTR signal)

RS-232C

- Mark: Data transfer disabled
- Space: Data transfer enabled

(7) Transmission control (DSR signal)

RS-232C

- Mark: Data transfer disabled
- Space: Data transfer enabled

(8) Transmission control (TD signal)

DC1 code (11H)X-ON: Data reception enabled

DC3 code (13H)X-OFF: Data reception disabled

7.2 Description of Input and Output Signals

(1) RD

This is a serial reception data signal. When a framing error, overrun error or parity error occurs, the data containing the error is printed as a "?".

(2) DTR

When this signal is Ready, you can write data or commands into the input buffer. If you do so while the signal is Busy, an overrun error occurs, and the previously written data will be ignored. Data can be written into the input buffer even during printing. A Busy signal is also issued at the time of power-on, test printing, on-line communication, and resetting.

(3) TD

As data is received, the remaining capacity of the printer's input buffer decreases. When it becomes less than 128 bytes, a DC3 (13H) (Data reception disable signal) is output to the host computer. On the other hand, when the remaining capacity of the input buffer increases to 256 or more bytes, a DC1 (11H) (Data reception enable signal) is output to the host computer. This signal is valid only if communication mode is set to XON/ XOFF.

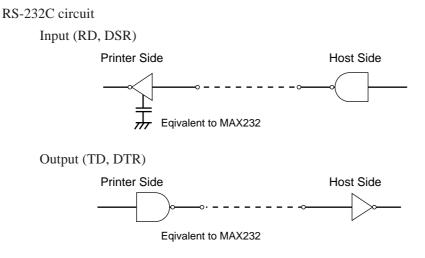
(4) **DSR**

When sending status information, if DTR/DSR control is selected, the host computer transfers data to the control board after checking this signal is a space. If DTR/DSR control is not selected, the host computer ignores this signal and sends data to the control board. Transmit data is transferred through the TD lines. Note that, if status information is requested when this signal is at Mark, status information sending is held up until it is set to Space.

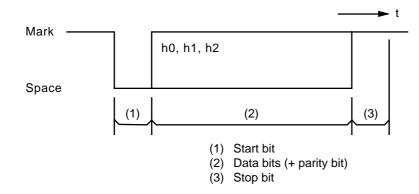
(5) GND

This is a common ground on circuits.

7.3 Electrical Characteristics



7.4 Data Structure



(1) Start bit

Status is read again 1/2 bit after a negative transition from Mark to Space. If the status is at Space, it is recognized as a Start bit.

If the status is at Mark, it is not recognized as a Start bit. Start bit detection is attempted again without causing an error.

(2) Data bits + parity bit

Data and parity bits are sampled over 1-bit time period following the 1/2 Start bit. The bit configuration is: Start bit, bit 0, bit 1,, parity bit.

(3) Stop bit

A stop bit is a Mark state of 1-bit length or more. A framing error occurs if a Space is detected at a stop bit sense timing.

7.5 Error Detection

Detection of parity errors, framing errors, and overrun errors is provided with this control board. When an error is detected, the data containing the error is stored in the buffer as a "?".

(1) Framing error

If a space state is detected at the timing of stop bit detection, this indicates that an error has occurred. The data containing the error is stored in the buffer as a "?".

(2) Parity error

With parity check specified, when data is parity-checked and an error is detected, the data containing the error is stored in the buffer as a "?".

(3) Overrun error

If an overrun error is detected, the data containing the error is stored in the buffer as a "?".

7.6 Data Reception Control

When the DTR/DSR control mode is selected, host data can be received if the DTR signal is at Space, while it is not receivable if the signal is at Mark. When the DTR/DSR control mode is deselected, host data can be received after XON is transmitted, while it is not receivable after XOFF is transmitted.

7.7 Buffering

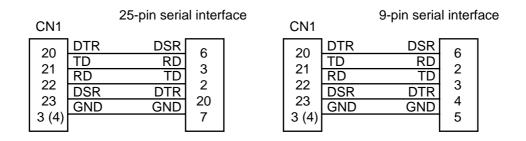
Data transfers to the input buffer are controlled by the DTR and TD signals. The input buffer has a 4K-byte capacity, so the host is freed immediately after data transfer completes.

(1) DTR signal (Refer to 7.2 (2))

(2) TD signal (Refer to 7.2 (3))

7.8 Connections to Serial Port

(1) Connections to the 25-pin/9-pin serial port



Note: The diagram above is a typical connection to the host. When inline cable connection is required, the DTR/DSR and RD/TD lines must be reversed each.

(2) Connections to other parallel port

When connecting to other parallel port, carefully check the signal names and their destinations, and establish correct connections.

8. ERROR HANDLING

This section describes some typical errors that could be detected on the control board at power on (initialization) or during printer operation.

Error status can be known from the nERROR and nPEOUT signals. (The following describes errors that are identified by LED lights.)

In the event of an error, the BUSY (DTR), PE, FAULT, SELECT, or some other signals may be activated as well as the ERROR and/or PEOUT signals described in the following table. The BUSY (DTR) signal depends on jumper (J6) setting, however.

8.1 List of Error Indications

Error indication	ERROR	PEOUT	Error Recovery
Memory Check Error	Quick blinking	Off	Unrecoverable
Head Up	Lights	Off	Head-down
Head Overheat	Slower blinking	Off	Automatically recovered when head cools down.
Paper Near End	Off	Lights	Load paper.
Paper End	Lights	Lights	Load paper.
Cutter Motor Lockup	Quick & slow blinking	Off	Unrecoverable (remove paper jam)
Waiting for Macro	Slow blinking	Off	Set the LF-SW signal to Low.
Low Voltage	Lights	Off	Unrecoverable
High Voltage	Quick & slow blinking	Off	Unrecoverable

8.2 Error Details

Memory Check Error:	Activated if an error is detected at power on.
Head Up:	Activated if the print head is raised with the Head-Up lever. The printer stops
	printing and generates an ERROR signal.
Head Overheat:	Activated if the print head temperature exceeds approx. 65°C, causing the
	printer to stop printing and generating an ERROR signal. The printer
	automatically resumes printing when the head temperature drops below
	approx. 60°C.
Paper Near End:	Activated if the paper is running out. Then generates a PEOUT signal.
Paper End:	Activated if the paper end sensor senses the end of the paper, generating a
	PEOUT signal and causing the printer to stop printing.
Cutter Motor Lockup:	Activated if the cutter position sensor fails to detect cutter On/Off actions
	within a prescribed time period, generating an ERROR signal and causing
	cutter and printer operation to stop.
Low Voltage:	Activated if the drive voltage on the control board drops below a certain
	threshold. If this error occurred, immediately shut off the control board.
High Voltage:	Activated if the drive voltage on the control board exceeds a certain threshold.
	If this error occurred, immediately turn off the control board.
Waiting for Macro:	Activated if a macro function is executed by a macro command, generates an
	ERROR signal and the printer resumes printing (macro print) when the LF-SW
	signal is set to Low.

* The dedication (activation) conditions for the Paper Near End and Paper End signals can be changed with printer control commands. (For more details, read the Command Reference Manual.)

9. SPECIAL FUNCTIONS

In addition to the standard print function, the control board has some special print features such as the Page Print, Test Printing, and Hexadecimal Dump capabilities. Also it allows for software revision and registration of user-defined fonts and logos. These special features are available only if print paper is normally loaded in the printer.

9.1 Page Print Mode

The control board has two print modes: i.e. Standard and Page Modes. In Standard Mode, the printer prints each time it receives a single line of print data. In Page Mode, all print data, including the line print and line feed commands, are mapped to the page memory and the entire page is printed when the Page Print command (FF or ESC + FF) is subsequently received.

For more details, read Appendix 1, "Description of Page Mode".

9.2 Test Printing

Turning the printer on with the LF-SW signal held at Low initiates a test printing, in which the software version, DIP switch setting, jumper setting, character type used, and other printer information can be printed. If the Auto Cutter is used, the paper will be cut after a test printing completes.

9.3 Hexadecimal Dump

Hexadecimal Dump function allows data sent from host to be printed in hexadecimal numbers as well as in characters corresponding to the numbers.

(1) Starting Hexadecimal Dump

Turn the power on while holding the LF-SW signal at Low by raising the Head Up lever. After the printer is turned on, lower the Head Up lever.

The printer first prints "Hexadecimal Dump", and then prints all data subsequently received in hex numbers. If characters that correspond to received data are not supported, dots (.) will be printed instead. If print data is less than a single line, the printer prints it by setting the LF-SW signal to Low.

(2) Terminating Hexadecimal Dump

Hexadecimal Dump is terminated after turning off the power or if it receives a reset signal after all data print completes. Alternatively, you can return to normal print mode from Hexadecimal Dump by setting the LF-SW signal to Low 3 times consecutively. When the normal print mode is restored, the printer prints "===Completed===".

9.4 Software Revision

The control board retains control software in its flash memory. Software revision can only be performed with a flash memory loader. For more details, read the User's Manual supplied with the Flash Memory Loader.

Caution: The update software is overwritten on the existing software. While the flash memory loader is loading software, never turn off the control board as the correct contents of software may be lost permanently. Software containing bugs, if loaded, may cause malfunction of the control board or, in the worst case, damage to the device electronics.

9.5 Registering User-Defined Fonts and Logos

This control board is loaded with flash memory, which can be used to register user defined bitmap images of fonts or logos. Font/logo data, once registered, are held in memory until updated with other data. For more information, read the Command Reference.

(1) Registering user-defined fonts

User-defined fonts are registered with the blank code page. They must be stored to the specified memory address area and in the specified data length.

User-defined fonts must be registered in batch mode. While only a part of user-defined fonts can be registered, it will be cleared when batch registration is initiated.

(2) Registering user-defined logos

One or more logos or bit images can be registered with flash memory. They are registered in ascending order of registration numbers beginning with 1. Registration must be performed in batch mode, and you cannot update only a part of data already registered.

A memory space of 2M bits (256K bytes) is reserved for logos and bit images. More than one logo or bit image can be registered within this capacity limit.

* The memory spaces are cleared (space characters for user-defined fonts) by default.

10. PRINT CONTROL COMMANDS

This section provides lists of print control commands that are used for setting and controlling the printer from the control board. For more details of print control commands, refer to the Command Reference Manual.

Print Commands

Command	Function	Mode	Code
LF	Printing and paper feed	S, P	0Ah
CR	Back to printing	S, P	0Dh
FF	Printing in PAGE MODE and returning to	Р	0Ch
	STANDARD MODE		
ESC FF	Printing data in PAGE MODE	Р	1Bh, 0Ch
ESC J	Printing and feeding paper in minimum pitch	S, P	1B, 4Ah, n
ESC d	Printing and feeding the paper by "n" lines	S, P	1Bh, 64h, n

Print Character Commands

Command	Function	Mode	Code
CAN	Canceling print data in PAGE MODE	Р	18h
ESC sp	Setting the right spacing of the character	S, P	1Bh, 20h, n
ESC !	Collectively specifying the printing mode	S, P	1Bh, 21h, n
ESC %	Specifying/Canceling download character set	S, P	1Bh, 25h, n
ESC &	Defining the download characters	S, P	1Bh, 26h, s, n, m,
			[a, p1 psa] m-n-1
ESC -	Specifying/Canceling underline	S, P	1Bh, 2Dh, n
ESC ?	Deleting download characters	S, P	1Bh, 3Fh, n
ESC E	Specifying/Canceling Emphasis Printing	S, P	1Bh, 45h, n
ESC G	Specifying/Canceling Double strike printing	S, P	1Bh, 47h, n
ESC M	Selection of character fonts	S, P	1Bh, 4Dh, n
ESC R	Selecting the international character set	S, P	1Bh, 52h, n
ESC V	Specifying/Canceling 90°-right-turned characters	S	1Bh, 56h, n
ESC t	Selecting the character code table	S, P	1Bh, 74h, n
ESC }	Specifying/Canceling the inverted characters	S	1Bh, 7Bh, n
GS !	Specifying the character size	S, P	1Dh, 21h, n
GS B	Specifying/Canceling the black/white	S, P	1Dh, 42h, n
	inverted printing		

Command	Function	Mode	Code
HT	Horizontal tab	S, P	09h
ESC \$	Specifying the absolute positions	S, P	1Bh, 24h, n1, n2
ESC D	Setting horizontal tab position	S, P	1Bh, 44h, [n]k, 00h
ESC T	Selecting the character printing direction in	Р	1Bh, 54h, n
	PAGE MODE		
ESC W	Defining the print area in PAGE MODE	Р	1Bh, 57h, xL, xH, yL,
			yH, dxL dxH, dyL,
			dyH
$ESC \setminus$	Specifying the relative position	S, P	1Bh, 5Ch, nL, nH
ESC a	Aligning the characters	S	1Bh, 6lh, n
GS \$	Specifying the absolute vertical position of	Р	1Dh, 24h, nL, nH
	characters in PAGE MODE		
GS L	Setting the left margin	S	1Dh, 4Ch, nL, nH
GS W	Setting the print area width	S	1Dh, 57h, nL, nH
GS ¥	Specifying the relative vertical position	Р	1Dh, 5Ch, nL, nH
	of a character in PAGE MODE		

Print Position Commands

Line Feed Span Commands

Command	Function	Mode	Code
ESC 2	Setting initial line feed span	S, P	1Bh, 32h
ESC 3	Setting line feed span	S, P	1Bh, 33h, n

Bit Image Commands

Command	Function	Mode	Code
ESC *	Specifying the bit image mode	S, P	1Bh, 2Ah, m, n1, n2,
			[d] k
GS *	Defining the download bit image	S, P	1Dh, 2Ah, n1, n2,
			[d] n1* n2* 8
GS /	Printing the downloaded bit image	S, P	1Dh, 2Fh, m
GS v 0	Printing of raster bit image	S	1Dh, 76h, 30h, m,
			xL, xH, yL, yH, [d]k

Status Commands

Command	Function	Mode	Code
DLE EOT	Sending status in real-time	S, P	10h, 05h, n
GS a	Enabling/Disabling ASB (Automatic Status Back)	S, P	1Dh, 61h, n
GS r	Sending status	S, P	1Dh, 72h, n

Paper Sensor Commands

Command	Function	Mode	Code
ESC c 3	Selecting the Paper Sensor valid for paper end	S, P	1Bh, 63h, 33h, n
	signal output		
ESC c 4	Selecting the Paper Near-end Sensor valid for	S, P	1Bh, 63h, 34h, n
	print stop		

Panel Switch Command

Command	Function	Mode	Code
ESC c 5	Making LF-SW signal valid/invalid	S, P	1Bh, 63h 35h, n

Macro Commands

Command	Function	Mode	Code
GS :	Starting/Ending macro definition	S, P	1Dh, 3Ah
GS ^	Executing the macro	S, P	1Dh, 5Eh, n1, n2, n3

Cutter Command

Command	Function	Mode	Code
GS V	Cutting the paper	S, P	1Dh, 56h, m
			1Dh, 56h, m, n

Bar Code Commands

Command	Function	Mode	Code
GS H	Selecting of printing position of HRI characters	S, P	1Dh, 48h, n
GS f	Selecting the font of HRI characters	S, P	1Dh, 66h, n
GS h	Specifying the height of the bar code	S, P	1Dh, 68h, n
GS k	Printing the bar code	S, P	1Dh, 6Bh, m, [d]k,
			1Dh, 6Bh, m, [d]k, 00h, 1Dh, 6Bh, m, n,
			[d]k
GS w	Specifying the horizontal size	S, P	1Dh, 77h, n
	(magnification) of bar code		

Flash Memory Commands

Command	Function	Mode	Code
FS g 3	Writing data into flash memory	S	1Ch, 67h, 33h, m,
			a1, a2, a3, a4, nL, nH, d1,, dk
			nH, d1,, dk
FS g 4	Reading data from flash memory	S	1Ch, 67h, 34h, m,
			1Ch, 67h, 34h, m, a1, a2, a3, a4, nL, nH
FS p	Printing bit image on flash memory	S	1Ch, 70h, n, m
FS q	Defining bit image on flash memory	S	1Ch, 71h, n,
			1Ch, 71h, n, [xL, xH, yL, yH,
			[d]k] n

Command	Function	Mode	Code
DLE ENQ	Real-time request to printer	S, P	10h, 05h, n
ESC =	Data input control	S, P	1Bh, 3Dh, n
ESC @	Initializing the printer	S, P	1Bh, 40h
ESC L	Selecting PAGE MODE	S	1Bh, 4Ch
ESC S	Selecting STANDARD MODE	Р	1Bh, 53h
GS (A	Execution of test printing	S	1Dh, 28h, 41h, pL,
			pH, n, m
GS I	Sending the printer ID	S, P	1Dh, 49h, n
GS P	Specifying the basic calculation pitch	S, P	1Dh, 50h, x, y

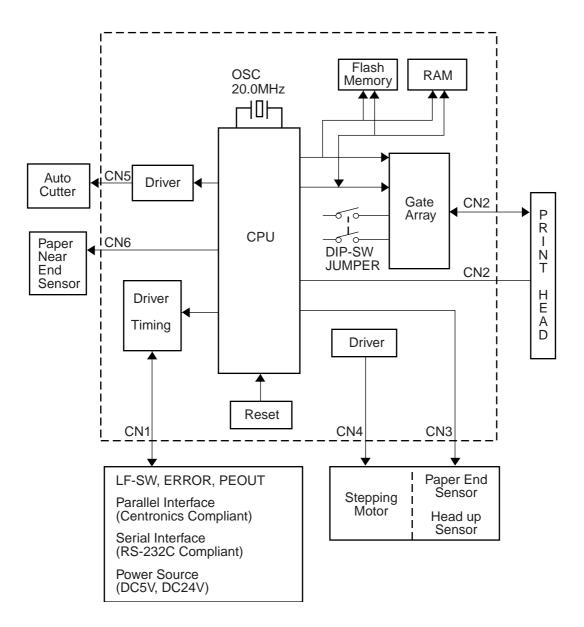
Other Commands

NOP Commands

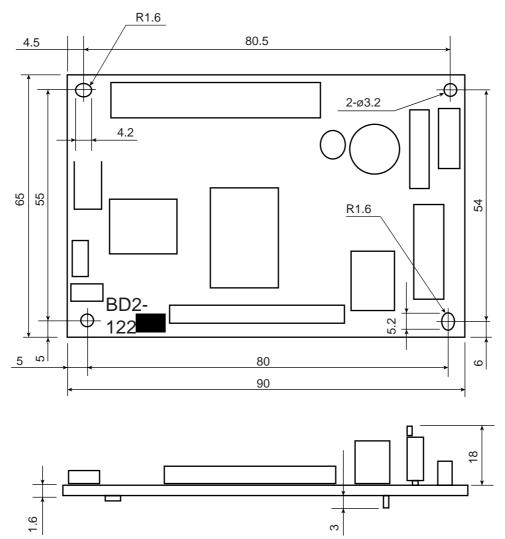
Command	Function	Mode	Code
ESC i	NOP		1Bh, 69h
ESC m	NOP		1Bh, 6Dh
ESC p	NOP		1Bh, 70h, m, n1, n2
ESC u	NOP		1Bh, 75h, n
ESC v	NOP		1Bh, 76h

Note: "S" denotes Standard Print Mode, and "P" denotes Page Print Mode.

11. BLOCK DIAGRAM



12. OUTLINE DRAWINGS FOR CONTROL BOARD



Unit (mm)

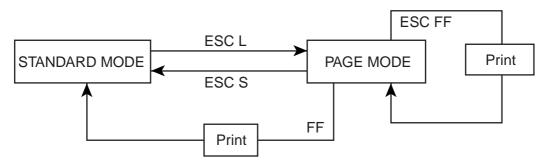
APPENDIX 1. DESCRIPTION OF PAGE MODE

The control board has two print modes: STANDARD and PAGE.

In STANDARD MODE, the control board prints or feeds paper each time it receives a print or paper feed command. In PAGE MODE, when the control board receives print commands and/or form feed commands, it simply forwards them to the specified print area of memory. Only when an ESC+FF or FF is executed, all the data mapped in the print area will then be printed in a batch.

For example, suppose you executed a print and line feed for data "ABCDEFG"<LF>. In STANDARD MODE, the data "ABCDEFG" is printed and paper is advanced one line. In PAGE MODE, the data "ABCDEFG" is written in the specified print area of memory, and the memory location for the storage of the next print data is shifted one line.

The control board enters PAGE MODE with an ESC+L, so that all commands received after that point are handled in PAGE MODE. When an ESC+FF or FF is executed, the data received until then is printed in a batch. When an FF is executed, the data received until then is printed in a batch, after which the control board returns to STANDARD MODE. An ESC+S causes the control board to immediately return to STANDARD MODE; any print data, however, that has been stored in PAGE MODE is not printed. Instead it will be cleared.



[Switching Between STANDARD MODE and PAGE MODE]

Command values in STANDARD MODE and PAGE MODE:

(1) The values set with commands are common to the STANDARD and PAGE MODES. The values set with any of the four commands listed below are, however, treated differently and stored separately for the STANDARD and PAGE MODES.

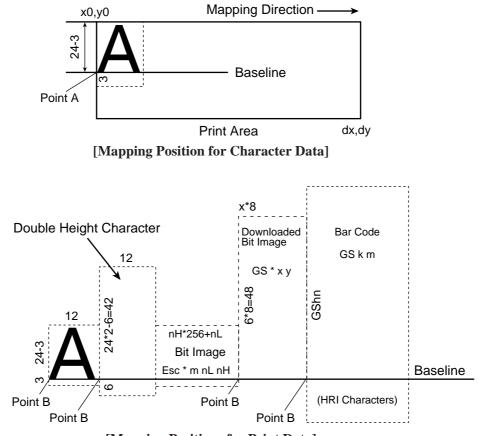
ESC+sp, ESC+2, ESC+3, FS+S

(2) The maximum printable size of a bitmap image is 576 dots (432 dots for 58-mm wide paper) for STANDARD MODE. In PAGE MODE, the size can be extended up to 831 bits in the y direction (Paper feed direction) if 831 bits are reserved for y of the print area set by ESC +W and the value of print direction "n" specified by ESC +T is 1 or 3. Print data is mapped in the print area as follows:

- (1) The print area is set by ESC+W. When the control board has finished all of the print and paper feed actions specified before receiving an ESC+W, the ESC+W sets the left end (As viewed facing the control board) as the start point (x0, y0) of the print area. The print area is a rectangle defined by two edges extending from the start point (x0, y0): one edge running in the x (Horizontal) direction by dx pitch (Inclusive of the start point), and the other running in the y (Vertical) direction by dy pitch. (If no ESC+W is defined, the default values are used to define the print area.)
- (2) With a print area defined by ESC+W and a print direction specified by ESC+T, when the control board receives print data, the print data is mapped in the print area where point A (See the figure "Mapping Position for Character Data") is used as the initial value of the start point. If the print data consists of characters, this start point serves as the baseline.

If the print data is a downloaded bitmap image or a bar code, the print data is mapped with its lower-left point "B" aligned to the baseline. (See the figure "Mapping Positions for Print Data".) When attempting to map the HRI characters of a bar code, however, the section above the standard character height will not be printed.

- (3) If print data (Or the space to the right of a character) extends beyond the print area before a command that involves a line feed (For example, LF or ESC+J command) is received, a line feed is automatically executed in the print area, so that the mapping position of the print data is moved one line. The next mapping position will be the beginning of the line. In this case, the line feed width is as defined by a command such as ESC+2 or ESC+3.
- (4) By default, the line feed width is 1/6 inch, which is equivalent to 34 dots. If the print data for the next line includes a vertically doubled or taller character, a downloaded bitmap image extending two or more lines, or a bar code taller than the character height, the data, therefore, falls short of the line feed width, causing the upper dots of the character to overlap the print data of the current line. The line feed width needs to be increased.



[Mapping Positions for Print Data]

APPENDIX 2. IDENTIFICATION OF SEND STATUS

Because the status sent from the control board has certain fixed bits, it is possible to identify to which command the status belongs.

When using ASB (Automatic Status Back), however, the first byte of ASB should be checked, and then the three consecutive bytes except for XOFF should be treated as ASB data.

Identification of Send Status

Command and function	Status
GS I	<0**0****>B
GS r	<0**0****>B
XON	<00010001>B
XOFF	<00010011>B
DLE EOT	<0**1**10>B
ASB (1st byte)	<0**1**00>B
ASB (2nd - 4th bytes)	<0**0****>B

APPENDIX 3. DEVICE ID

If the bidirectional communication feature is used on the parallel interface, the host can receive character strings that identify the types of devices attached to the interface.

When the control board receives a request for a device ID from the host, it replies with the following device ID:

<00> H <2F> H MFG : CBM ; CMD : ESC / POS ; MDL : BD2-1220 ; CLS : PRINTER ;

The first two bytes of the device ID indicate the length of the entire device ID (Including the first two bytes themselves).

When the host receives the device ID string of the length indicated by the first two bytes, it must do so consecutively, without terminating the process until the entire device ID is received. If the process is terminated halfway, the control board discards the rest of the string; when the control board receives a new request for the device ID, it sends the device ID beginning from the first character of the ID. After receiving the ID of the length indicated by the first two bytes, the host must carry out the termination even if the control board has data to send (Data Available). If the host does not carry out Termination and tries to receive data, the control board sends the control board status.

* Contact your CBM dealer for more details about bidirectional comunications.

APPENDIX 4. CHARACTER CODES TABLE

1. Code Page

Codepage 00H to 7FH & PC437 (USA, European Standard)

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