

User's Manual

Micro Linear Image Scan Engine



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This scanner is in conformity with CE standards. Please note that an approved, CE-marked power supply unit should be used in order to maintain CE conformance.

Guidance for Printing

- 1. This manual is in A5 size. Please double check your printer setting before printing it out.
- 2. When printing barcodes for programming, the use of a high-resolution laser printer is strongly suggested for the best scan result.

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Introduction

The Micro CCD Scan Engine is the thinnest and one of the most powerful scan engines in the world. Measuring just 4.5 mm thin, with an exceptional 300 scans per second performance and reliable decidability, it packs more features and functionality in only half the size compared to similar scan engines in its class. The micro thin size and potent design makes integration possible for the smallest portable applications and wearable devices.

The scan engine is equipped with a hardware decoder and supports standard serial, USB interface and USB virtual COM port. In most cases, the miniature scan engine can be easily integrated without modifying existing hardware platform.

It is designed for effortless integration into most data capture applications, such as barcode scanners, handheld computers, data collectors, medical instruments, kiosks, vending machines and many other devices.

The scanner includes key features as,

- Ultra small size
- Outstanding scanning performance
- Advanced image capture technology
- Multi-interface communication

Overview

Host Connector

Components

Description	Function
Host Connector	Used to connect to the host
Aiming LED	Produce easy to see scan line
Image Sensor	CCD aperture

Scanner Operation

Precautions

To ensure the scanner reaches its best performance, the following points need to be noticed when mounting the scanner:

- a. Do not place the scanner under direct sunlight or any other bright light source illuminating.
- b. When placing the barcode label, one must be careful not to over tilt, skew and/or pitch the barcode (Refer to figure 1)
- Do not place the device at specula reflection position. The LED light of the scanner reflects directly back on the scanner if it is placed at specula reflection position.
 As to the nature of CCD sensor, it will not be able to read any barcodes.
- d. The barcode label must be placed within the effective depth of field (D.O.F.) since it is the effective reading distance for the barcode from the scanner. For the best placing position, please refer to the Decode Depth of Field drawing. (Figure 2)

Maintaining the Scanner

Handling with care! The scan engines are electrostatic sensitive device; do not handle with bare hands. Store the engines away from dust and humidity places.



ESD

The scan engines are protected from ESD events that may occur in an ESD-controlled environment. Always exercise care when handling the module. Use grounding wrist straps and handle in a properly grounded work area.

Scan Angles

See the following illustrations for the effective barcode reading angles.

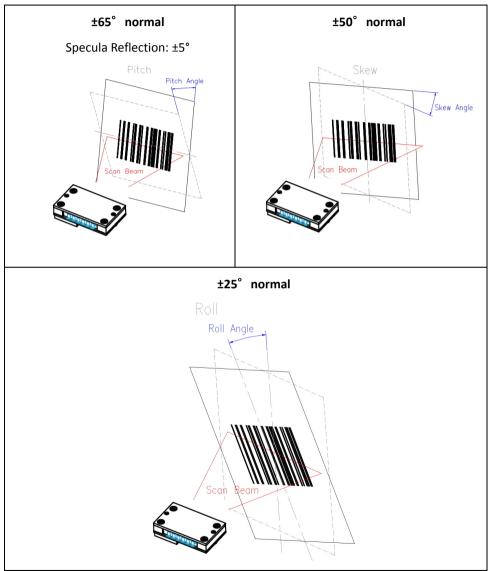
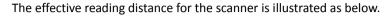
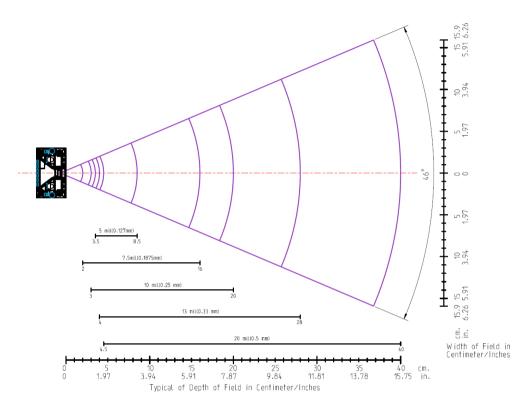
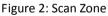


Figure 1: Skew, Pitch and Roll Angle Illustration

Scan Zone









Different quality and density of a barcode could effect its decode depth of field. Usually when a barcode has poor printing quality or high density, the depth of field would be shorter. It is highly suggested **not** place the barcode label at the extremes of depth of field as it is often easy to move out from the reading range.

Installation

FCC Cable

A flex strip cable is needed to connect the scan engine to your host terminal, and different decode mode uses different FFC cable. Decoded mode scan engine: 12Pin ZIF Pin configured FFC cable

The following figure shows the FFC cable dimension and its pin-out configuration.

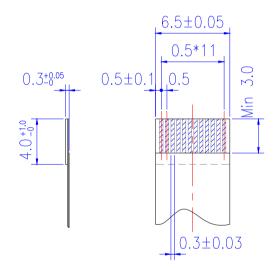
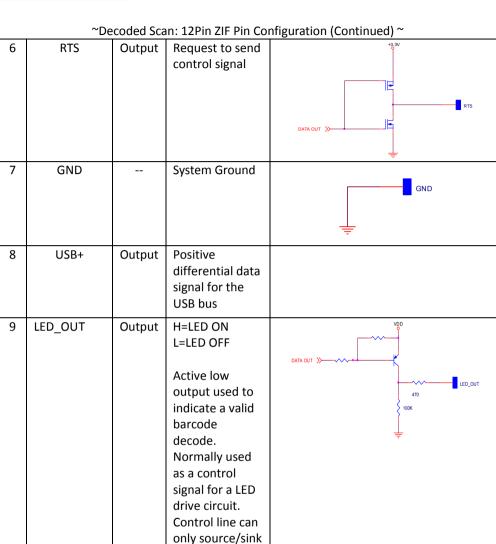


Figure 3: FCC Cable Dimension

Decoded Scan: 12Pin ZIF Pin Configuration

			Control Status /	
			Control Status / Description	Electrical Equivalent
1	VDD		DC 3.3V Power Input	VIN
2	RXD	Input	Receive data	DATA In Contract of the second
3	Trigger	Input	L = Start session H = Inactive Used to start decode session	Data In (
4	USB Power		USB power input	
5	TXD	Output	Transmit data	



5 mA. (for 3.3V)

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10	CTS	Input	Clear to send	VDD
			control signal	
				<u>х</u> 1К
				DI
				DATA In CTS
				DIODE SCHOTTKY
11	BEEPER_OUT	Output	L=normal	VDD
			H=Active	
			Pulse width	
			modulated	BEEPER_OUT
				470
			output used to	> 100K
			control	
			an external	₹
			beeper	
			Control line can	
			only	
			source/sink 5	
			mA.(for 3.3V)	
12	USB-	Output	Negative	
		•	differential	
			data signal for	
			the USB bus.	

~Decoded Scan: 12Pin ZIF Pin Configuration (Continued) ~

Window Instruction

The scan engine is designed to be implemented into a customized host device, and a window as a part of the housing design is required to protect the scan engine. The scan engine has to be designed and placed at a position where its exit window is away from direct reflected lights.

The design, position and material of the window will effect to the reading performance, and it may be critical for best reading performance.

Window Design and Position

Table below and Figure 4~6 show the minimum size of the window and best suggested position of the window along the horizontal and vertical axes.

The following points need to be noted when design:

- The windows must not block light reflected from barcode.
- The window must be positioned so that LED light reflected is not reflected back into the collection optics of the scan engine.
- The window must not block the outgoing light.
- The specified (height, width and angle) are minimum requirement and care must be exercised to allow for manufacturing tolerances.

Distance from engine at scan center line (mm)	5 (0.2")	10 (0.4")	15 (0.6")	20 (0.8")	25 (1")	30 (0")	35 (1.2")	40 (1.6")	45 (1.8")	50 (2")	55 (2.2)
Minimum window width(mm)	24	28	33	36	40	45	49	53	56	60	62
Minimum window Height(mm)	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.8	3.1	3.7	4.0	4.2	4.4	4.5	4.8
Minimum Window Tilt/Positive	32°	20°	15°	12°	11°	10°	10°	8°	8°	7°	7°
Minimum Window Tilt/Negative	27°	17°	13°	11°	10°	9°	9°	7°	7°	6°	6°

Window Size and Position

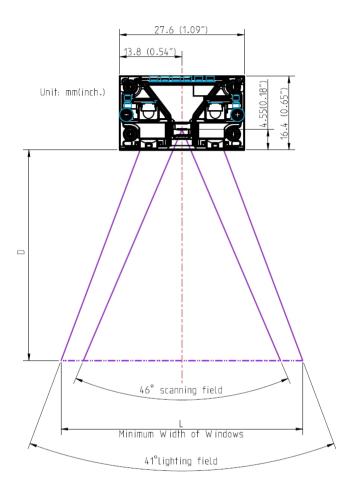


Figure 4: Scanning Field and Lighting Field

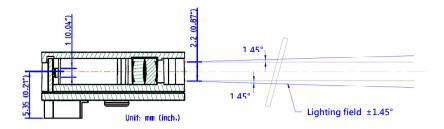


Figure 5: Clear Aperture Requirement

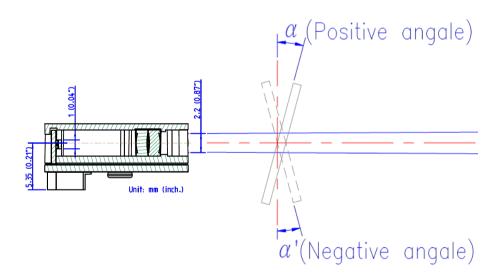


Figure 6: Window Tilt Angle Requirement

Window Material

The window material selected depends on the anticipated environment that the product is intended to be used. Appropriate window material includes glass or plastic, among the most commonly used window materials are:

PMMA (PolyMethylMethAcrylate)

PolyMethyl Methacrylate (PMMA) is an excellent material for exit windows at a low initial cost. This cell cast acrylic is a clear plastic that can be used as a shatterproof replacement for glass that maintains transparency for any thickness.

CR-39 (Columbia Resin 39)

CR-39 is an optically clear plastic, manufactured by cell casting, and is available with a thickness of between.031 to 1 inch. This material is scratch-resistant as well as resistant to acids, alkaline and organic solvents.

Coatings are not required with this material as the surface is strong enough to resist damage in most environments.

Chemically tempered float glass

Glass is also an optional exit window material, however the following issues should be considered when designing the exit window for the end product.

Tempered glass should receive the same care as annealed glass. Improper handling and installation can produce edge damage. Breakage can occur when edge-damaged tempered glass is subjected to a moderate thermal of mechanical stress. Full penetration of the compression layer can produce total fragmentation of tempered glass. Therefore, tempered glass cannot be cut or modified following heat treatment.

Window Color

Plastic is available in a wide range of colors. Exit windows can be colored if desired. The only requirement is the optical transmission in the spectral region between 600 nm and 650 nm, which should be a minimum of 85%.

Caution in Handling Window

Scratching of the window can reduce the scanning performance, and it is important to avoid scratches on windows. We suggest you either recess the window into the housing, or apply a hard-coat on window.

Mounting

In this section, we will introduce how to mount the scan engine into your design.

At the back of scan engine, there are two screw holes reserved for mounting (Figure 7), the scan engine can be fixed in any position and any angle without any degradation in performance. And to ensure the scanner reaches its best performance, the following points need to be noticed when mounting the scanner:

To avoid direct sunlight or any other bright light source illuminating.

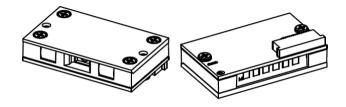
When placing the barcode label, one must be careful not to over tilt, skew and/or pitch the barcode.

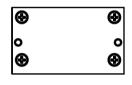
To avoid putting the scanner in specula reflection position, the CCD sensor will not sense the reading of any barcodes if the LED light reflects straight back.

The barcode must be placed within the effective depth of field (D.O.F.) area, the effective reading distance for the barcode from the scanner. Its theory is like a camera, if the object is placed within the focal range, and the image appears clearly. But if the object is outside the focal range, the image then is blurred. And different quality and density of barcodes could affect its D.O.F.; usually a lower piece or high density of barcode, its depth of field is shorter. It is suggested to avoid using depth of field extremes range, barcode is easily moved away from the reading range.

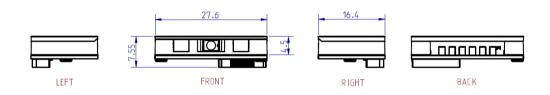
For best placing position, please refer to the Decode Depth of Field drawing (Figure 2).

Dimensions





TOP





BOTTOM



Technical Specification

Item	Description
Power Requirements	
Input Voltage	3.3 VDC ± 10%
Scan Current	87 mA typical
LED off Current	52 mA typical
Surge Current	116 mA
Optical	
Sensor	Liner CCD
Illumination	617nm visible LED
Scan Angle	46°
Scanning	
Pitch Angle	±65°
Skew	±50°
Roll	±25°
Scan Rate	300 scans per second (typical)
Depth of Field	4cm~28cm (EAN-13 100%,PCS=90%)
	(DOF remains the same with ±1cm tolerance
	to the measurements)
Minimum Bar Width	0.1 mm
Shock	2000G

~Technical Specification Continued~

Vibration	Un-powered engine withstands a random vibration along each of the X, Y and Z axes for a period of one 10 min per axis, defined as follows: 20 to 80 Hz Ramp up to 0.04 G ² /Hz at the rate of 3dB/oct.
	80 to 350 Hz 0.04 G ² /Hz 350 to 2000 Hz Ramp down at the rate of 3dB/oct.
Environmental	
Operating Temperature	0 °C∼ 50°C (32° F~122° F)
Storage Temperature	-20°C ~ 60°C (-4°F~140° F)
Humidity	5% to 95% non-condensing
Physical dimensions	
Height	7.55mm (4.5mm w/o PCBA)
Width	27.6mm
Depth	16.4mm
Weight	8.4g
Connector	12 Lower contact ZIF connector
Interface	RS-232 (TTL level)
	HID USB
	USB-Virtual Com Port
Regulator Approval	According CE EN55022B,FCC Part 15 Class B,VCCI RoHS compliant
Symbologies	Code 39, Code 39 Full ASCII, Code 32, Code 128, UCC/EAN-128, Codabar, Code 11, Code 93,Standard 2 of 5, Industrial 2 of 5, Interleaved 2 of 5,, China Postal Code, IATA,UPC/EAN/JAN, UPC/EAN/JAN with Addendum Telepen, MSI/Plessey,GS1 DataBar (RSS) Linear, Linear-stacked

~Technical Specification Continued~

LED Reliability				
Test Performed	Steady state life test (SSLT) JESD22-A108			
Condition	TA = 25°C IF = 30mA			
Duration	1000h			
Simple Size	45			
Failures	Elec.= 0; Opt. = 0; Vis. = - Failure criteria: Electrical failures: Vf (If = 50mA) > 2,5V; ± 10% from initial value IR (Vr = 12V) >			
	 10μA Optical failures: IV, le (If =50mA) absolute limit: ± 50% max. and Δ%max - Δ%min > 50% 			