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#### **VARITRONIX LIMITED**

### Specification

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## LCD Module Type

Model No.: COG-VLGT6566-03

#### 1. General Description

- 4.3" TFT, 480 x RGB x 272 dots, 16M Colors, positive, transmissive dot matrix LCD module.
- Viewing angle: 6 o'clock.
- Driving IC: 'HIMAX' HX8257-A (COG) TFT LCD controller & driver or equivalent.
- Data interface: parallel RGB interface.
- Logic voltage: 3.0V.
- White LED backlight.
- Touch Panel (anti-glare&anti-newton ring).
- FPC connection.
- "RoHS" compliance.

#### 2. Mechanical Specifications

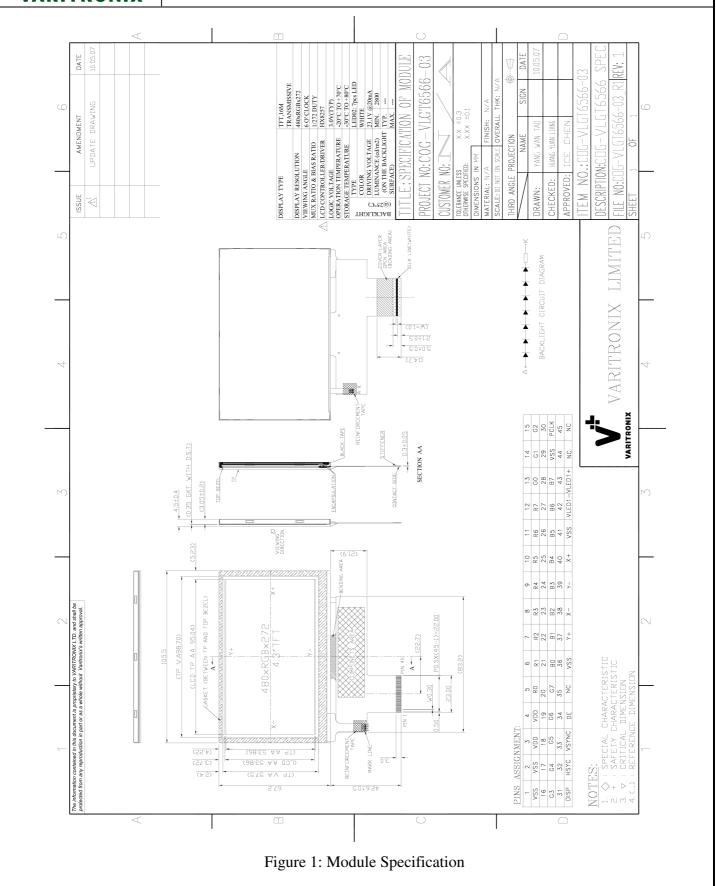
The mechanical detail is shown in Fig. 1 and summarized in Table 1 below.

#### Table 1

| Parameter          |                      | Specifications                  | Unit |
|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|------|
| Outline dimensions |                      | 105.5(W) x 109.8(H) x 4.5(D)    | mm   |
|                    | Viewing area (TP)    | 98.70(W) x 57.50(H)             | mm   |
|                    | Active area (LCD/TP) | 95.04(W) x 53.86(H)             | mm   |
| Color TFT          | Display format       | 480 x RGB x 272                 | dots |
| 480xRGBx272        | Color configuration  | RGB stripe                      | -    |
|                    | Dot pitch            | $0.198(RGB)(W) \times 0.198(H)$ | mm   |
| Dot pitch          |                      | $(0.066(W) \times 0.198(H))$    | mm   |
| Weight             |                      | Approx: 60                      | gram |



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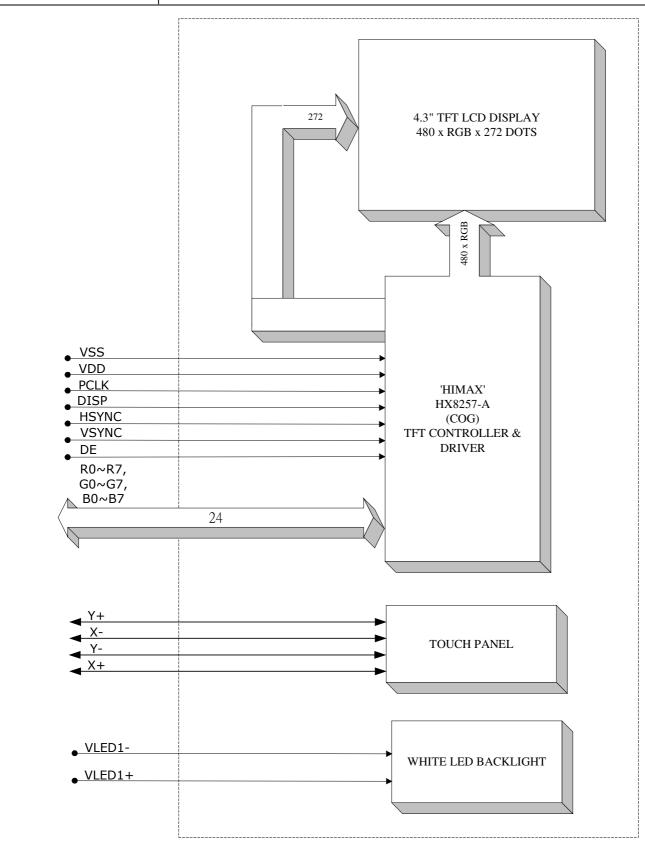


Figure 2: Block diagram



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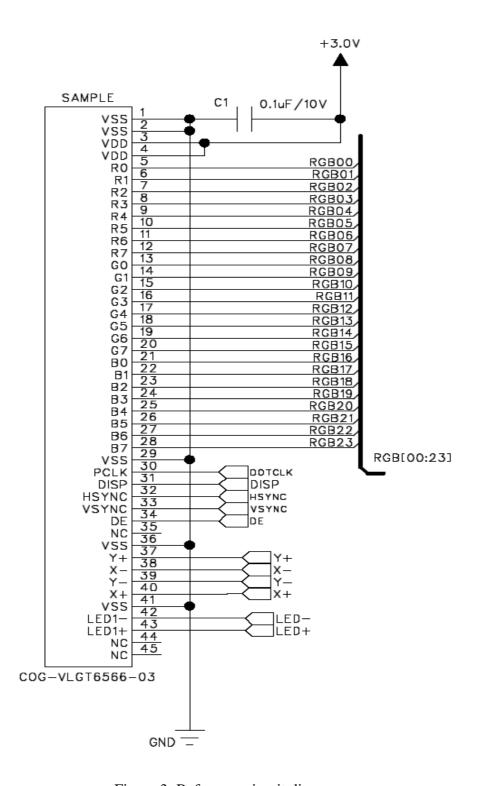


Figure 3: Reference circuit diagram



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#### 3. Interface signals

#### Table 2(a): Pin assignment

| Pin No. | Symbol               | Description   |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------|----------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1~2     | VSS                  | Ground.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3~4     | VDD<br>(VDDIO,VCI)   | Power supply.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5       | R0                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6       | R1                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7       | R2                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8       | R3                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9       | R4                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10      | R5                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11      | R6                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12      | R7                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13      | G0                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14      | G1                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15      | G2                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16      | G3                   | Digital data input.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17      | G4                   | R7~R0/G7~G0/B7~B0 are used.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18      | G5                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19      | G6                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20      | G7                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21      | В0                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22      | B1                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23      | B2                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24      | В3                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 25      | B4                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 26      | B5                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 27      | В6                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 28      | B7                   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 29      | VSS                  | Ground.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 30      | PCLK<br>(CLK/DOTCLK) | Clock signal for data latching in RGB interface.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 31      | PON (DISP)           | Display on/off mode control. Internally pulled high.  (a) DISP=L, standby mode.  (b) DISP=H, normal display mode. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 32      | HSYNC<br>(HS)        | Horizontal sync input in RGB interface.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 33      | VSYNC<br>(VS)        | Vertical sync input in RGB interface.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 34      | DE                   | Input data enable control in RGB interface.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 35      | NC                   | No connection.  |  |  |  |  |  |



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#### Table 2(b): Pin assignment

| Pin No. | Symbol | Description                     |  |  |  |  |
|---------|--------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 36      | VSS    | Ground.                         |  |  |  |  |
| 37      | Y+     | Up position for touch panel.    |  |  |  |  |
| 38      | X-     | eft position for touch panel.   |  |  |  |  |
| 39      | Y-     | Down position for touch panel.  |  |  |  |  |
| 40      | X+     | Right position for touch panel. |  |  |  |  |
| 41      | VSS    | Ground.                         |  |  |  |  |
| 42      | VLED1- | Cathode of LED backlight.       |  |  |  |  |
| 43      | VLED1+ | Anode of LED backlight.         |  |  |  |  |
| 44~45   | NC     | No connection.                  |  |  |  |  |

#### 4. Absolute Maximum Ratings

#### **4.1** Electrical Maximum Ratings – for IC Only

Table 3

| Parameter          | Symbol    | Min. | Max. | Unit |
|--------------------|-----------|------|------|------|
| Logic Power Supply | VDD - VSS | -0.3 | +4.0 | V    |

Note: The modules may be destroyed if they are used beyond the absolute maximum ratings.

All voltage values are referenced to VSS = 0V.

#### **4.2** Environmental Condition

Table 4

| Item   | Operating temperature (Tstg) (Note 1)                   |                 |              | Remark |  |
|--|---|-----------------|--------------|--------|--|
|  | Min.  | Max.            | Min.         | Max.   |  |
| Ambient temperature (Ta)   | -20°C   | Dry             |              |        |  |
| Humidity (note 1)  | 90% max. RH f<br>< 50% RH for 4                         | No condensation |              |        |  |
| Vibration (IEC 68-2-6) cells must be mounted on a suitable connector | Frequency: 10<br>Amplitude: 0.7:<br>Duration: 20 cy     |                 | 3 directions |        |  |
| Shock (IEC 68-2-27)<br>Half-sine pulse shape                         | Pulse duration:<br>Peak acceleration<br>Number of shoot | 3 directions    |              |        |  |

Note 1: Product cannot sustain at extreme storage conditions for long time.



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#### **5.** Electrical Specifications

#### **5.1** Typical Electrical Characteristics

At Ta = 25 °C, VDD= $3.0\pm0.1$ V, VSS=0V.

Table 5

| Parameter                             | Symbol            | Conditions                                 | Min.   | Тур. | Max.   | Unit              |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|--|--------|------|--------|-------------------|
| Power supply voltage (Logic)          | VDD               |  | 2.9    | 3.0  | 3.1    | V                 |
| Input signal valtage                  | $V_{IH}$          | "H" level                                  | 0.8VDD | -    | VDD    | V                 |
| Input signal voltage                  | $V_{\mathrm{IL}}$ | "L" level                                  | 0      | -    | 0.2VDD | V                 |
| Supply current (Logic)                | IDD               | VDD=3.0V                                   | -      | -    | 30     | mA                |
| Supply voltage of white LED backlight | VLED              | Forward current<br>=20 mA @25°C            | -      | 23.1 | -      | V                 |
| Luminance (on the backlight surface)  |                   | No. of LED dies<br>= $7 \times 1 = 7$ dies | 2800   | -    | -      | cd/m <sup>2</sup> |

Note: Do not display the fixed pattern for a long time because it may develop image sticking due to the LCD structure. It should change pattern frequently. If the screen is displayed with fixed pattern, use a screen saver.

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#### **5.2** Timing Specification

#### **5.2.1** parallel RGB Interface Timing Characteristics

At Ta = 25 °C, VDD= $3.0\pm0.1$ V, VSS=0V.

Table 6

| Parameter                 | Symbol                          |      | Spec. |      | Unit             |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|------|-------|------|------------------|
| Parameter                 |                                 | Min. | Тур.  | Max. | Offic            |
| Clock cycle               | f <sub>CLK</sub> <sup>(1)</sup> | -    | 9     | 15   | MHz              |
| Hsync cycle               | 1/th                            | -    | 17.14 | -    | KHz              |
| Vsync cycle               | 1/tv                            | -    | 59.94 | -    | Hz               |
| Horizontal Signal         |                                 |      |       |      |                  |
| Horizontal cycle          | th                              | 525  | 525   | 605  | CLK              |
| Horizontal display period | thd                             | 480  | 480   | 480  | CLK              |
| Horizontal front porch    | thf                             | 2    | 2     | 82   | CLK              |
| Horizontal pulse width    | thp <sup>(2)</sup>              | 2    | 41    | 41   | CLK              |
| Horizontal back porch     | thb <sup>(2)</sup>              | 2    | 2     | 41   | CLK              |
| Vertical Signal           |                                 |      |       |      |                  |
| Vertical cycle            | tv                              | 285  | 286   | 511  | H <sup>(1)</sup> |
| Vertical display period   | tvd                             | 272  | 272   | 272  | H <sup>(1)</sup> |
| Vertical front porch      | tvf                             | 1    | 2     | 227  | H <sup>(1)</sup> |
| Vertical pulse width      | tvp <sup>(2)</sup>              | 1    | 10    | 11   | H <sup>(1)</sup> |
| Vertical back porch       | tvb <sup>(2)</sup>              | 1    | 2     | 11   | H <sup>(1)</sup> |

Note: (1) Unit: CLK=1/ f<sub>CLK</sub>, H=th,

(2)It is necessary to keep tvp+tvb=12 and thp+thb=43 in sync mode. DE mode is unnecessary to keep it.

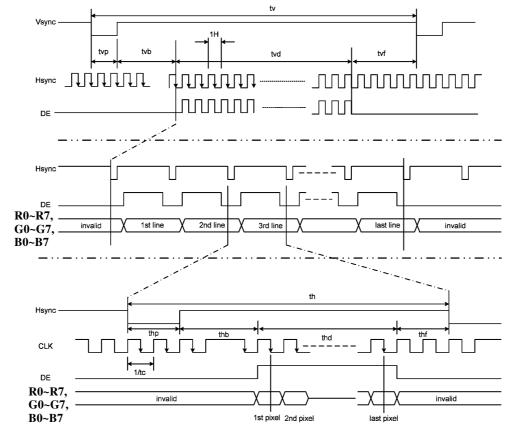


Figure 5: parallel RGB Interface Timing

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#### **5.2.3** Input Setup Timing Requirement Characteristics

At Ta = 25 °C, VDD= $3.0\pm0.1$ V, VSS=0V.

Table 8

| Parameter               | Symbol                           |      | Spec. |      | Unit  |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|------|-------|------|-------|
| Parameter               | Syllibol                         | Min. | Тур.  | Max. | Oilit |
| DISP setup time         | t <sub>diss</sub>                | 10   | -     | -    | ns    |
| DISP hold time          | t <sub>dish</sub>                | 10   | 1     | 1    | ns    |
| Clock period            | PW <sub>CLK</sub> <sup>(2)</sup> | 66.7 | -     | -    | ns    |
| Clock pulse high period | PWH <sup>(2)</sup>               | 26.7 | -     | -    | ns    |
| Clock pulse low period  | PWL <sup>(2)</sup>               | 26.7 | -     | -    | ns    |
| Hsync setup time        | t <sub>hs</sub>                  | 10   | 1     | -    | ns    |
| Hsync hold time         | t <sub>hh</sub>                  | 10   | 1     | -    | ns    |
| Data setup time         | t <sub>ds</sub>                  | 10   | -     | -    | ns    |
| Data hold time          | t <sub>dh</sub>                  | 10   | ı     | -    | ns    |
| DE setup time           | $t_{des}$                        | 10   | ı     | -    | ns    |
| DE hold time            | t <sub>deh</sub>                 | 10   | ı     | -    | ns    |
| Vsync setup time        | t <sub>vhs</sub>                 | 10   | -     | -    | ns    |
| Vsync hold time         | t <sub>vhh</sub>                 | 10   | -     | -    | ns    |

Note: (1) tr, tf is defined 10% to 90% of signal amplitude.

(2) For parallel interface, maximum clock frequency is 15MHz.

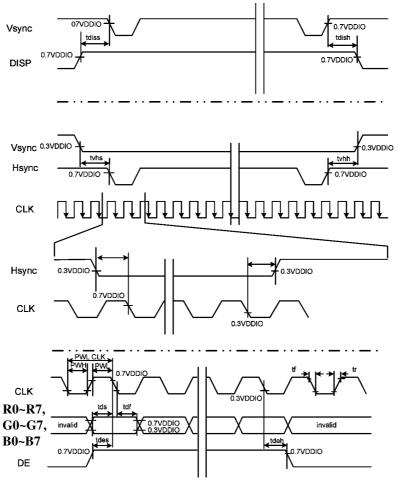


Figure 6: Input Setup Timing Requirement



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#### 5.3 Power On/Off Sequence

The HX8257-A has a power ON/OFF sequence control function. When DISP pin is pulled "H", blank data is outputted for 10-frames first, from the falling edge of the following VSYNC signal. Similarly, when DISP is pulled "L", 10-frames of blank data will be outputted from the falling edge of the following VSYNC, too. The blank data would be gray level 0 for normally black LC (NBW= "H"), and be gray level 255 for normally white LC (NBW= "L").

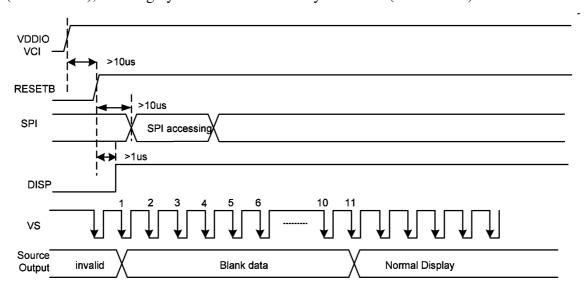


Figure 7: Power On Sequence

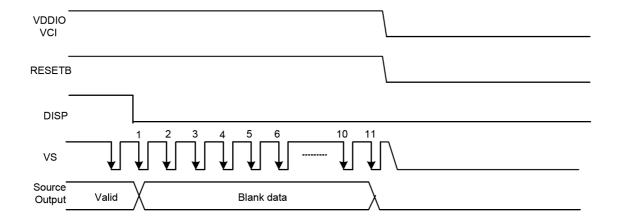


Figure 8: Power Off Sequence

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#### **6.** Optical Characteristics (for TFT panel only)

Table 9: Optical specifications (light source: C light)

| Items          |       | Symbol              | Condition  | Specifications |       |       | Unit  | Note  |
|----------------|-------|---------------------|--|----------------|-------|-------|-------|---|
|                |       | Symbol              |  | Min.           | Typ.  | Max.  | Oilit | Note  |
| Transmittance  |       | Т%                  |  | -              | 6.1   | -     | %     | All left side data  |
| Contrast Ratio |       | CR                  |  | -              | 250   | -     | -     |   |
| Response Time  |       | $T_R$               |  | -              | 5     | -     | ms    |   |
|                |       | $T_{\mathrm{F}}$    |  | -              | 15    | -     | ms    |   |
| Chromaticity   | Red   | $X_R$               | Viewing normal angle $\theta_X = \theta_Y = 0^\circ$ | 0.590          | 0.620 | 0.650 | -     | are based on  |
|                |       | $Y_R$               |  | 0.314          | 0.344 | 0.374 | -     | following<br>condition  |
|                | Green | $X_{G}$             |  | 0.276          | 0.306 | 0.336 | -     | 6 o'clock NTSC: 50% LC: TN Light: C light (Machine:BM5A) Normal Polarizer |
|                |       | $Y_{G}$             |  | 0.533          | 0.563 | 0.593 | -     |   |
|                | Blue  | $X_{\mathrm{B}}$    |  | 0.103          | 0.133 | 0.163 | -     |   |
|                |       | $Y_{B}$             |  | 0.119          | 0.149 | 0.179 | -     |   |
|                | White | $X_{\mathrm{W}}$    |  | 0.281          | 0.311 | 0.341 | -     |   |
|                |       | $Y_{\mathrm{W}}$    |  | 0.319          | 0.349 | 0.379 | -     |   |
| Viewing angle  | Hor.  | \$\phi 1(3 o'clock) |  | -              | 45    | -     |       | Reference Only  |
|                |       | \$\phi 2(9 o'clock) | Center   | -              | 45    | -     | deg.  |   |
|                | Ver.  | θ2(12 o'clock)      | CR≥10  | -              | 15    | -     |       |   |
|                |       | θ1(6 o'clock)       |  | -              | 35    | -     |       |   |

Note 1: Definition of Contrast Ratio (CR):

The contrast ratio can be calculated by the following expression.

Contrast Ratio (CR) = L63 / L0

L63: Luminance of gray level 63

L0: Luminance of gray level 0

CR = CR(5)

CR (X) is corresponding to the Contrast Ratio of the point X at Figure in Note 5.

Note 2: Definition of Response Time (TR, TF):

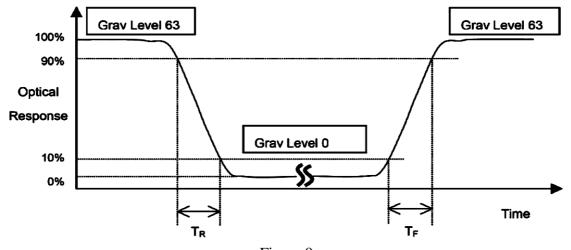


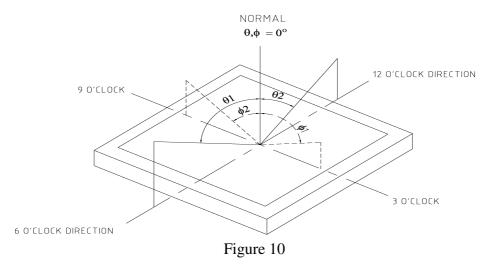
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Note 3: Definition of view angle  $(\theta, \phi)$ :



The above "Viewing Angle" is the measuring position with Largest Contrast Ratio; not for good image quality. View Direction for good image quality is 6 O'clock.

#### Note 4: Measurement Set-Up:

The LCD module should be stabilized at a given temperature for 20 minutes to avoid abrupt temperature change during measuring. In order to stabilize the luminance, the measurement should be executed after lighting Backlight for 20 minutes in a windless and dark room.

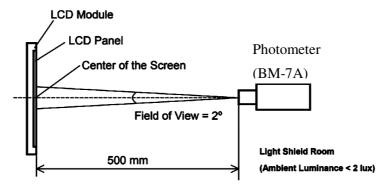


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Note 5:

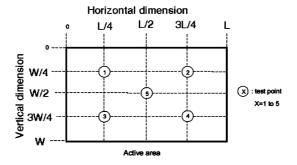


Figure 12



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#### 7. TFT Panel Inspection Specifications

|  | ***  |               | (III)   | Acceptable count  |                  |  |  |
|--|--|---------------|---|---|------------------|--|--|
| Failure mode   | Illustration   | Ca            | tegory(Unit: mm)  | Viewing area  | non-Viewing area |  |  |
|  | <b>♦</b> ₩idth   | A Φ ≦ 0. 10   |   | Not count   |                  |  |  |
| Black spot<br>White spot   | Length $\Phi = (\text{Length+width})/2$  | В             | 0. 10<Φ≦0. 15   | 4, The gap between the two spots should be 5 mm and above.After divided the display into 9 zones with equal area, only 2 spots are acceptable in each zone. | Not count        |  |  |
|  |  | С             | 0. 15<Φ ≦ 0. 25   | 2   |                  |  |  |
|  |  | D             | 0. 25<Φ   | 0   |                  |  |  |
| Bright<br>spot(Red<br>spot,green<br>spot and blue<br>spot caused<br>by damaged<br>colour filter) |  | A             | Area≦1 sub-pixel  | 2, The gap<br>between the two<br>spots should 5<br>mm and above.  | N/A              |  |  |
|  |  | A             | W≦0.05  | Not count   |                  |  |  |
|  | lacksquare $lacksquare$  | В             | 0.05 <w≤0.08, l≤8.0<="" td=""><td>2</td><td colspan="2"></td></w≤0.08,> | 2   |                  |  |  |
| Black line White line  | L  | С             | 0.08 <w l="" or="">8.0</w>  | Judged by spot<br>spec  | Not count        |  |  |
| Below are cosmetic inspection specifications   |  |               |   |   |                  |  |  |
| Excess glass   | b≤1.0, this defect shall not affect the outline dimension or assemble process. (Remarks: For COG process, the defect size is decided by dimension of LCD panel.) |               |   |   |                  |  |  |
| , , ,  |  | This defect s | shall not affect the outline di   | l not affect the outline dimension or assembly process.   |                  |  |  |



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| The depth of UV glue entered in LCD cell  | D1  | <ul> <li>a. D1≥0.2, not enter into viewing area</li> <li>b. D2≤0.8,</li> <li>c. W=End mouth width + (2~6 mm)</li> </ul> |   |  |  |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|
|   | ① LCD ledge damage  | Category  |   |  |  |  |
|   | b   | A The defect shall not affect the outline dimension assembly process at non ITO zone.                                   |   |  |  |  |
|   | w a c   | В   | $b \le 1/4w$ , a & c not count (at ITO zone)      |  |  |  |
|   |   | С   | Alignment mark on LCD ledge shall not be damaged. |  |  |  |
| Glass<br>defect(scratch<br>,damage)   | ② Outside of perimeter damage<br>边框架(Perimeter).<br>边框外沿(Inside of perimeter).<br>边框外沿(outside of perimeter). | b can't reach inside of perimeter.  |   |  |  |  |
|   | ③ Joint glass damage<br>边框架(Perimeter).   | b can't reach outside of perimeter or ITO layout.   |   |  |  |  |
|   | 4 Corner damage   | A   | a ≦ t, b ≦ 3.0, c ≦ 3.0                           |  |  |  |
|   | W b a t   | B. Alignment mark on LCD ledge shall not be damaged.  |   |  |  |  |
| Remark: A stands for thickness of damage, b for width, c for length and t for glass thickness. (Unit: mm) |   |   |   |  |  |  |



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#### Remark

#### HANDLING LCD AND LCD MODULES

#### 1. Liquid Crystal Display (LCD)

LCD is made up of glass, organic sealant, organic fluid and polymer based polarizers. The following precautions should be taken when handling

- Keep the temperature within range for use and storage. Excessive temperature and humidity could cause polarization degredation, polarizer peel-off or bubble generation. When storage for a long period over 40° C is required, the relative humidity should be kept below 60%.
- (2) Do not contact the exposed polarizers with anything harder than an HB pencil lead. To clean dust off the display surface, wipe gently with cotton, chamois or other soft material soaked in petroleum benzin. Never scrub hard.
- Varitronix does not responsible for any polarizer defect after the protective film has been removed from the display
  Wipe off saliva or water drops immediately. Contact
- (4) with water over a long period of time may cause polarizer deformation or color fading, while an active LCD with water condensation on its surface will cause corrosion of ITO electrodes.
- (5) PETROLEUM BENZIN is recommended to remove adhesives used to attach front/rear polarizers and reflectors, while chemicals like acetone, toluene, ethanol and isopropyl alcohol will cause damage to the polarizer. Avoid oil and fats. Avoid lacquer and epoxies which might contain solvents and hardeners to cause electrode errosion. Some solvents will also soften the epoxy covering the DIL pins and thereby weakening the adhesion of the epoxy on glass. This will cause the exposed electrodes to erode electrochemically when operating in high humidity and condensing environment.

  Glass can be easily chipped or cracked from rough
- handling, especially at corners and edges.
- Do not drive LCD with DC voltage
- When soldering DIL pins, avoid excessive heat and keep soldering temperature between 260°C to 300°C for no more than 5 seconds. Never use wave or reflow soldering.

#### 2. Liquid Crystal Display Modules (MDL)

#### 2.1 Mechanical Considerations

MDL's are assembled and adjusted with a high degree of precision. Avoid excessive shocks and do not make any alterations or modifications. The following should be noted

- (1) Do not tamper in any way with the tabs on the metal
- (2) Do not modify the PCB by drilling extra holes, changing its outline, moving its components or modifying its pattern.
- (3) Do not touch the elastomer connector (conductive rubber), especially when inserting an EL panel.

- When mounting a MDL make sure that the PCB is not under any stress such as bending or twisting. Elastomer contacts are very delicate and missing pixels could result from slight dislocation of any of
- Avoid pressing on the metal bezel, otherwise the elastomer connector could be deformed and lose contact, resulting in missing pixels.
- If FPCA need to be bent, please refer the suggested bending area on the specification. The stiffener and component area on FPC/FFC/COF must not be bent during or after assembly (Note: for those models with FPC/FFC/COF +stiffener).
- Sharp bending should be avoided on FPC to prevent track cracking

MDL contains CMOS LSI's and the same precaution for such devices should apply, namely

- The operator should be grounded whenever he comes into contact with the module. Never touch any of the conductive parts such as the LSI pads, the copper leads on the PCB and the interface terminals with any part of the human body.
- The modules should be kept in antistatic bags or other containers resistant to static for storage
- Only properly grounded soldering irons should be
- If an electric screwdriver is used it should be well
- If an electric screwurve is used a more agrounded and shielded from commutator sparks.

  The normal static prevention measures should be observed for work clothes and working benches, for
- the latter conductive (rubber) mat is recommended. Since dry air is inducive to statics, a relative humidity of 50 - 60% is recommended.

#### 2.3 Soldering

- Solder only to the I/O terminals.
- Use only soldering irons with proper grounding and no leakage.
- Soldering temperature is  $280^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 10^{\circ}\text{C}$  .
- Soldering time: 3 to 4 seconds. Use eutectic solder with resin flux fill
- If flux is used, the LCD surface should be covered to avoid flux spatters. Flux residue should be removed afterwards.
- Use proper de-soldering methods (e.g. suction type desoldering irons) to remove lead wires from the I/O terminals when necessary. Do not repeat the soldering/desoldering process more than three times as the pads and plated through holes may be damaged.

Identification labels will be stuck on the module without

3. Operation

obstructing the viewing area of display.

- The viewing angle can be adjusted by varying the (1)
- LCD driving voltage Vo.
  Driving voltage should be kept within specified range
- excess voltage shortens display life. Response time increases wit with Response time temperature.
- Display may turn black or dark Blue at temperature above its operational range; this is however not destructive and the display will return to normal once the temperature falls back to range.
- Mechanical disturbance during operation (such pressing on the viewing area) may cause the segments to appear "fractured". They will recover once the display is turned off.
- Condensation at terminals will cause malfunction and possible electrochemical reaction. Relative humidity of the environment should therefore be kept below
- Display performance may vary out of viewing area If there is any special requirement on performance out of viewing area, please consult Varitronix.

#### 4. Storage and Reliability

- LCD's should be kept in sealed polyethylene bags while MDL's should use antistatic ones. If properly
- sealed, there is no need for desiccant. Store in dark places and do not expose to sunlight of fluorescent light. Keep the temperature between 0°C and 35°C and the relative humidity low. Please consult VARITRONIX for other storage requirements.
- Water condensation will affect reliability performance of the display and is not allowed.

  Semi-conductor device on the display is sensitive to reliability
- light and should be protected properly.
- Power up/down sequence.
  - Power Up: in general, LCD supply voltage, Vomust be supplied after logic voltage, VDD becomes steady. Please refer to related IC data sheet for details.
  - b) Power Down: in general, LCD supply voltage Vo must be removed before logic voltage, VDD turns off. Please refer to related IC data sheet for details

If any fluid leaks out of a damaged glass cell, wash off any human part that comes into contact with soap and water. Never swallow the fluid. The toxicity is extremely low but caution should be exercised at all times.

#### LIMITED WARRANTY

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Unless otherwise agreed in writing between VARITRONIX and the customer, VARITRONIX will only replace or repair any of its LCD which is found defective electrically or visually when inspected in accordance with VARITRONIX LCD Acceptance Standards (copies available on request), for a period of one year from the date of shipment. Confirmation of such date shall be based on freight documents.

- No warranty can be granted if any of the precautions stated in HANDLING LCD and LCD Modules above have been disregarded Broken glass, scratches on polarizers, mechanical damages as well as defects that are caused by accelerated environmental tests are as detects that are caused by accordated striving the accordance and accordance are excluded from warranty.

  In returning the LCD and Modules, they must be properly packaged
- and there should be detailed description of the failures or defects

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