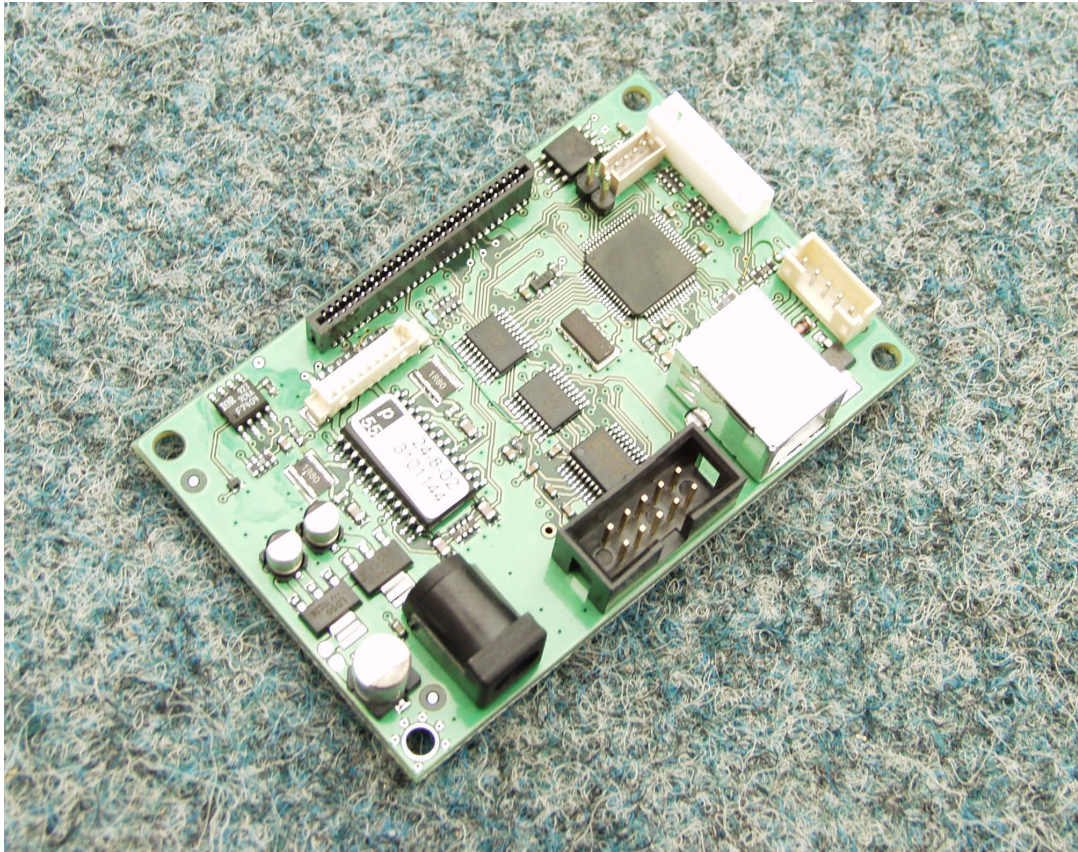


User Manual

Thermal printer controller PRN604-S



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- Please read and understand these specifications thoroughly before using the printer. Please keep the specifications carefully in a place where they may be easily consulted when the printer is used.
- Please do not modify or service this printer as this may cause unpredictable faults to occur.
- The product is not intended to be installed in devices such as those used in life-support medical equipment, undersea relays, and aerospace applications or for nuclear power control, in which



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1 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

This reference manual describes the specifications, functions, and operating procedures for the PRN604-S Interface Board. The PRN604-S is an interface board for the FTP604 series printer mechanisms.

This reference manual also describes the print operation of the FTP604. Read this reference manual thoroughly before using the PRN604-S. PRN604-S is designed for the following Fujitsu printers:

FTP-624MCLxxx
FTP-634MCLxxx
FTP-644MCLxxx

PRN604-S consists of an interface board.

The communication is RS232, USB or IRDA.

PRN604-S can print graphic data either compressed or non-compressed.

Burn time can be set to control the printing intensity

Windows 95/98, 2000, NT and CE drivers are available at

<http://www.if-com.com>, for easy operation by PC. Linux drivers are available upon request.

2 INSTALLATION

2.1 Unpacking

Remove the cover observing precautions for Electro Static Discharge (ESD). Make sure that board is handled with care with respect to Electrostatic environment.

2.2 Labels

PRN604-S has 3 labels;

Label 1 on backside ex. Ifxxxxxx is a unique ID number. For service and question based upon 1 particular board please refer to this number.

Label 2 on topside ex. PRN604-S is part number. Please refer to this number upon reordering. Make sure that software revision is applied at same time.

Label 3 is an internal code. Please ignore.



2.3 Installation

PRN604-Sis fastened in the product by 4 M3.3 screws. The cables (for the thermal head, the stepper-motor and detector) are placed in the thermal printer connector on the PCB. 1 Mounting hole is grounded. See drawing for more details.

- (a) To connect or remove the connector, always turn off the power in advance. If the connector is connected or removed while the power to the printer is on, errors may occur.
- (b) The connector of each cable must be correctly locked and connected. The connector at the head side has no lock feature. Check that the connector at the head side is completely inserted.
- (c) To install the interface, carefully check each cable so that excessive force is not applied to each cable. Especially, carefully check the head connection cable because it affects the head pressure force. If the print head connector is not completely connected, overheating or burning may occur in the print head.

2.4 Power supply

Single power supplies for the PRN604-Scontroller board. Voltage range is 6-8,5VDC, 4A minimum @ 7,2V. Make sure that voltages never exceed 8,5VDC.

- (a) The power supply unit that satisfies the specified specifications must be used. If a power supply unit that does not satisfy the specified specifications is used, normal operation is not assured and errors may occur.
- (b) To turn on or off the power, a protective circuit must be mounted on the control board in advance. For safety, the following voltage change conditions must be satisfied:



2.5 Settings

Following below description can change default settings. Baud rate is default 115.200, however standard PC's today cannot handle this Baud rate. Windows OS does not support speed higher than 115.200 Baud, even when setup menus can be set to higher speed. In order to obtain higher speed you need to install 3rd part utility program on PC. Please visit www.if-com.com for further information.

1. Turn off power
2. Press Key 1 low while power up. Board is now in setting mode.
Text will be printed on paper for further information
3. By activating key 1 and 2 you can change following parameters:
 - a. Test printout
 - b. Select Command set (optional)
 - i. I/F-COM command set
 - ii. Seiko compatible command set (Optional)
 - iii. Fujitsu compatible command set (Optional)
 - iv. APS compatible command set (Optional)
 - v. ESC/POS compatible command set (Optional)
 - c. Baud rate
 - i. 9600
 - ii. 19.200
 - iii. 38.400
 - iv. 57.600
 - v. 115.200
 - vi. 230.400
 - vii. 460.800
 - d. Parity
 - i. 0
 - ii. 1
 - e. Data bit
 - i. 7
 - ii. 8
 - f. Stop bit
 - i. 1
 - ii. 2
 - g. Flow control
 - i. None
 - ii. Hardware
 - iii. Xon/Xoff
 - h. Dot size of printer
 - i. 384 dots
 - ii. 432 dots



- iii. 448 dots
- iv. 512 dots
- v. 576 dots
- vi. 640 dots
- vii. 832 dots
- viii. 1152 dots
- i. Key 1 function
 - 1. Input key
 - 2. LED output
 - 3. Label detect
 - 4. Black mark detection
 - 5. Paper near end function
 - 6. Paper jam function
 - a. Stop printer
 - b. Send data to host
- j. Key 2 function
 - 1. Input key
 - 2. LED output
 - 3. Label detect
 - 4. Black mark detection
 - 5. Paper near end function
 - 6. Paper jam function
 - a. Stop printer
 - b. Send data to host
- k. Paper select
 - i. Paper 1
 - ii. Paper 2
 - iii. Paper 3
 - iv. Paper 4
- l. IRDA
 - i. Enabled
 - ii. Disabled
- m. Auto form feed
 - i. 0 sec.
 - ii. 1 sec.
 - iii. 2 sec.
 - iv. 3 sec.
 - v. 4 sec.
 - vi. 5 sec.
- n. Form feed length
 - i. 0 mm
 - ii. 1 mm
 - iii. 2 mm
 - iv. 5 mm



- v. 10 mm
- vi. 20 mm
- vii. 30 mm
- viii. 50 mm
- o. Grey scale printing
 - i. On
 - ii. Off
- p. Acceleration
 - i. Slow
 - ii. Medium
 - iii. Fast
 - iv. Disable
- q. Printing speed
 - i. 25%
 - ii. 50%
 - iii. 75%
 - iv. 100%
 - v. Disable
- r. Burn strobe dark
 - i. 1
 - ii. 2
 - iii. 3
 - iv. 4
 - v. 5
 - vi. 6
 - vii. 7
 - viii. 8
 - ix. 9
- s. Burn strobe light
 - i. -1
 - ii. -2
 - iii. -3
 - iv. -4
 - v. -5
 - vi. -6
 - vii. -7
 - viii. -8
 - ix. -9
- t. Output
 - i. Cash drawer output
 - 1. Solenoid time 0,2 sec.
 - 2. Solenoid time 0,5 sec.
 - 3. Solenoid time 0,7 sec.
 - 4. Solenoid time 1,0 sec.
 - 5. Solenoid time 1,5 sec.



ii. Winding motor

Settings will be effective upon turn off and on.

2.6 Serial Input/Output

If BUSY control is selected:

When 236 bytes of data have been stored in the input buffer, the SBUSY signal becomes high to request that the computer temporarily stop sending data. When the amount of data stored in the input buffer becomes 235 bytes or less, the SBUSY signal changes to low to request that the host device continue data transfer. Up to 16 bytes of input data are guaranteed after the SBUSY signal has become high. When an error occurs, the SBUSY signal becomes high. Data input is prohibited until the error is cancelled.

If Xon/Xoff control is selected:

When 188 bytes of data has been stored in the input buffer, Xoff (13₁₆) is output through the TxD terminal to request that the host device temporarily stops sending data. When the amount of data stored in the input buffer becomes 124 bytes or less, Xon (11₁₆) is output to request that the computer continues data transfer. Up to 64 bytes of the input data are guaranteed after

Xoff has been output. When an error occurs, the Xoff signal is output to prohibit the data input.

When the error is cancelled, Xon is output.

2.6.1 Serial data transfer

The PRN604-Stransfers various data other than the Xon and Xoff codes which are output when controlling Xon and Xoff.

Regardless of whether the input mode is serial or parallel, the following data is transferred through the TxD terminal.

- (a) Error codes when a hardware error occurs at initialisation
- (b) The data when executing the Vhead voltage response (DC2+'v')
- (c) The data when the error status response is set (DC2+'e') and an error occurs
- (d) The data when executing the execution response request (DC2+'q')
- (e) The data when executing the remaining RAM capacity response (DC2+'r')
- (f) The data when executing the environmental temperature response (DC2+'t')

At the selection of serial input, data (b) through (f) is transferred according to the transfer conditions, which are set using the function



switches. However, the hardware error code (a) has the same conditions as those for parallel input.

When transferring data, data control by SBUSY and Xon/Xoff is not executed and the data is transferred with no conditions.

All of the transmission conditions of serial data transfer for sending hardware error codes are fixed at the selection of parallel input as follows:

2.6.1.1 Serial input/output port

Serial data output (TxD)

When Xon/Xoff control is selected, the Xon/Xoff signal is output.

Data is output according to the transmission conditions, which are set by the function switches.

All response data is output.

Serial data input (RxD)

Data input port

Data is input from the host device according to the transmission conditions, which are set using the function switches.

Serial busy (SBUSY)

Indicates whether or not the PRN604-S is ready to receive data.

When the SBUSY signal is low, data can be input.

When Xon/Xoff control is selected, SBUSY is always low.

2.6.2 Setting functions

Error processing when receiving serial data

The PRN604-S receives and checks serial data according to the transmission conditions.

When the PRN604-S has received one byte of data without errors, the data is stored in the input buffer.

If there are any errors, the following data is stored in the input buffer according to the type of error.

Error type Error code

Parity error (!: 2116)

Framing error (? : 3F16)

If the input data cannot be printed correctly and instead “!” or “?” is printed, the transmission conditions between the host device and the PRN604-S most likely does not match. If this happens, adjust the conditions so that they match.



2.7 THERMAL HEAD CONTROL

Data Transfer to the Thermal Head

The PRN604-S transfers one dot line of data at 6 Mbps synchronized with the CLOCK signal.

The data is transferred in order to the shift register inside the thermal head from the left (when facing the paper feed direction).

The transferred data is then transferred by the head latch signal to the latch register inside the thermal head. Turning on the head strobe signal initiates printing of one dot line of data on the thermal paper.

2.7.1 Thermal Head Drive Operation

Generally, when the line thermal head is operating, the line is divided into several blocks, which are activated one after another in succession. For the line thermal head of the FTP604 printer mechanism, the line is divided into 7 blocks called physical blocks, 216, 288 or 416 dots with each. A strobe signal (/ST1 to /ST7) is allocated to each physical block to activate it. To drive the head, physical blocks are activated in groups. The group of physical blocks is called a logical block.

For the PRN604-S either dynamic division or fixed division can be selected as the method of division for logical blocks. This selection is made through a function. See settings for more information.

2.7.2 Peak power limitation

The PRN604-S counts the number of dots activated in each physical block and groups the physical blocks into logical blocks to print a single dot line so that the number does not exceed the specified maximum number of activated dots. The PRN604-S determines logical blocks each time it prints a single dot line.

In dynamic division, in order to avoid unclear printing, at the first step of the motor the thermal head is driven and at the second step the paper is fed.

Also, since the order of the printing blocks and printing speed are changed in each dot line according to the content of the print data, print quality may be lower than that in fixed division. If print quality is regarded as important, printing in fixed division is recommended.

The maximum number of activated dots in the initialisation status is specified using the function switches.

64 through 256 dots can, however, be set using the command for setting the number of dynamic division dots.



When the maximum number of activated dots is 128 dots, and all of the dots are driven, as shown in

2.7.3 Head Control Circuit

The PRN604-S has a function for measuring the resistance of the thermal head connected to the FTP604.

The PRN604-S measures the resistance of the thermal head and detects the errors at initialisation.

Based on the measurement, the PRN604-S determines how much energy to apply. No adjustment is needed for replacing the FTP604 to get the best printing.

2.7.4 Head temperature measurement circuit

The thermistor is mounted on the FTP604 to measure the temperature of the thermal head.

The PRN604-S determines the energy to be applied to the head and also checks for head temperature errors.

If the temperature of the thermal head is -10°C or lower, or 80°C or higher, the PRN604-S stops driving and puts the printer in head temperature error status. If the temperature of the thermal head is returned to from -5°C to 75°C , the printer goes to printable status.

2.7.5 Vhead interrupt circuit

This circuit interrupts Vhead to prevent electrolytic corrosion of the thermal head and to enable the detection of the resistance mentioned above.

Electrolytic corrosion may significantly shorten the life of the thermal head. Thermal paper ordinarily contains electrolytic material to prevent sheets from sticking to each other due to static electricity. If there is too much of this electrolytic material, high temperatures and humidity cause the material to ionise, resulting in electrolytic corrosion of the thermal head.

The PRN604-S turns the FET off and breaks the Vhead applied to the thermal head during waiting status to prevent electrolysis corrosion of the thermal head.



Specifications

Default settings

Interface	Serial RS232C, USB or IRDA
Data format serial	115.200 baud, 8 data bit, none parity, 1 stop bit, hardware handshake. Baud rate can be changed by software.
Data format USB	USB Printer class specification. http://www.usb.org/developers/data/devclass/usbprint11.pdf
Data format IRDA	IRDA (Ircomm specifications) http://www.irda.org/standards/pubs/ircomm10.pdf
Command set	I/F-com
Transmission to host	Requested status etc.
Printer supply	18V to 24V DC
Power on self test	Feed
Voltage compensation	Burn time
Current consumption	Operating 130mA, Printing up to XA @ 24V (TBD)
Printing speed	50mm/sec FTP624MCLxxx, 40mm/sec FTP634MCLxxx
Fontset	Western (Code 850, char 32-159)
Character size	8x14, 8x28, 16x14, 16x28, 16x56, 32x28, 32x56, 64x112
Character type	Normal, Bold, Underline, Italic, Reverse (white on black)
Default font	16x28
Paper detect	Digital
Graphics	Normal / Compressed
Auto load	80mm
Form feed	50mm
Line feed	LF
Maximum dimensions	Width 77mm, Depth 50mm, Connected height 15mm
Mounting holes	Width 71mm, Depth 44mm, Diameter 3.3mm
Connectors	TBD
Weight	25g
Temperature	Storage -40°C to +85°C 0-90 Operating 0°C to +85°C 10-90%RH
Shock	100G XYZ
EMC	Emission: E-Field EN50081-1-1, Conducted EN50081-1-2 Immunity: E-field EN50082-1-1, Conducted EN50082-1-2, Over voltage EN50082-1-3
	ESD Contact discharge 4kV, air discharge 8kV
Drivers	Windows 9x, Windows CE, Windows NT, Linux, Windows2000 and Windows XP
Approvals	CE, UL
Accessories	Serial Interface cable: CBL-002, 9pol SubD, female
	Power cable: CBL-022



3 Function

3.1 General

Notice, when data is sent from the external equipment to the printer controller, all data has to be sent as binary file. If data is being sent as a character file, and some data in the file is equal to EOF, the rest will not be received.

3.2 Serial communication.

Standard communication is;
Baud rate; 115.200 Baud
Data bits = 8
Stop bits = 1.
Parity = None
Flow control = Hardware handshake

Baud rate can be changed by changed by a software command.

3.3 USB communication.

Build in USB interface is 100% compliant to USB 1.1 and fully approved by the USB organisation. For more details please contact I/F-COM.
By plug USB cable - Host system will recognise I/F-COM interface board.

Before connecting USB cable please set USB port as offline. Interface board will automatically online USB port. Data cannot be send from interface board to host. USB is not a bi-directional communication.

3.4 IRDA communication.

PRN604-S is prepared for IRDA via connector for IRDA transmission. Please contact I/F-COM for more information.



3.5 Firmware upgrade.

If firmware needs to be changed, alternative firmware can be downloaded.

Please contact I/F-COM for firmware upgrade or changes.

The steps to download an alternative firmware in DOS are the following. These steps only work for a serial connection, look further down how to do it with USB.

1. Power the system off.
2. Disconnect printer.
3. Short circuit the pins "upgrade firmware"
4. Turn on printer
5. Write the following command "mode com1:9600,n,8,1", this command ensure that the serial port is at a known state.
6. Write the following command "xmode 1 +", this command sets the baud rate to 115.200, the xmode program can be downloaded from the I/F-COM web site <http://www.if-com.com/data/drivers/xmode.zip>
7. Run the following command, "copy "filename" /b com1". The filename represents the path and the filename of the new firmware file. This file can be downloaded from website, or can be emailed by I/F-COM.

I/F-COM also offers a Windows utility program in order to download firmware through serial port. Visit www.if-com.com for more information.

For further information about downloading with the driver, can be found in the driver installation guide.

3.6 Auto form feed

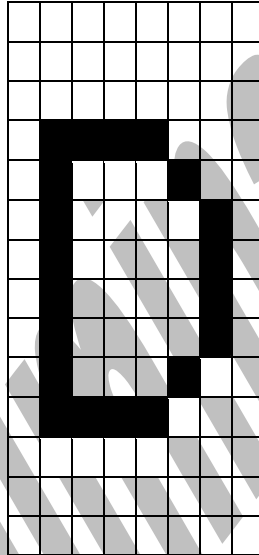
When paper no paper is present, it is possible to form feed new paper automatic. While thermal head is down, place the paper at the roller. After 2 seconds (default) the paper will be pulled in automatically. Form feed wait time is 2 sec (default), but can be changed by a command.



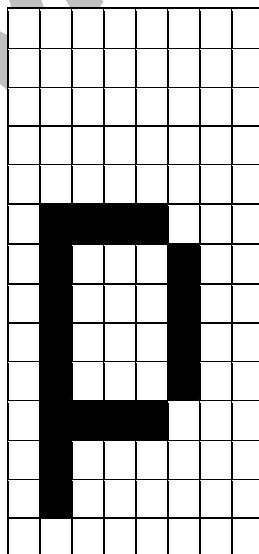
3.7 Character design

The following figures describes the design of different types of characters (small):

3.7.1 Normal Character.



3.7.2 Low Character



3.7.3 Underline

When underline characters are printed the last line in the character matrix will be marked.

3.7.4 Bold

When bold characters are printed the character is or with itself shifted right.

3.7.5 Reverse

When reverse characters are printed the character matrix will be negated.

3.7.6 Italic.

When Italic characters are printed every line will be shifted the following number of dots to the right:
(Line number from bottom)/4

3.7.7 Font sizes.

Font	Width	Height
Small	Normal	Normal
Low	Double	Normal
Narrow	Normal	Double
Normal	Double	Double
Wide	Double	Quadruple
High	Quadruple	Double
Large	Quadruple	Quadruple
Xlarge	Octuple	Octuple

When the size is normal or greater a build in smooth function will smooth the characters.



3.8 I/F-COM simple command set.

The following commands are use when communicating with the printer controller. All other commands is ignored

3.8.1 Small Font

[Name]	Small Font (8x12)
[Format]	ASCII NUL
	Hex 00
	Decimal 0
[Description]	Chooses small font from the current print position.

3.8.2 Low Font

[Name]	Low Font (16x12)
[Format]	ASCII SOH
	Hex 01
	Decimal 1
[Description]	Chooses low font from the current print position.

3.8.3 Narrow Font

[Name]	Narrow Font (8x28)
[Format]	ASCII STX
	Hex 02
	Decimal 2
[Description]	Chooses narrow font from the current print position.

3.8.4 Normal Font

[Name]	Normal Font (16x28)
[Format]	ASCII ETX
	Hex 03
	Decimal 3
[Description]	Chooses normal font from the current print position. This is the default font after power up or reset.

3.8.5 Wide Font

[Name]	Wide Font (32x28)
[Format]	ASCII EOT



	Hex	04
	Decimal	4
[Description]	Chooses wide font from the current print position.	

3.8.6 High Font

[Name]	High Font (16x56)	
[Format]	ASCII	ENQ
	Hex	05
	Decimal	5
[Description]	Chooses high font from the current print position.	

3.8.7 Large Font

[Name]	Large Font (32x56)	
[Format]	ASCII	ACK
	Hex	06
	Decimal	6
[Description]	Chooses large font from the current print position.	

3.8.8 Xlarge Font

[Name]	Xlarge Font (64x112)	
[Format]	ASCII	BEL
	Hex	07
	Decimal	7
[Description]	Chooses Xlarge font from the current print position.	

3.8.9 Line Feed

[Name]	Line Feed	
[Format]	ASCII	LF
	Hex	0A
	Decimal	10
[Description]	When the printer controller receives this byte the text data in the buffer will be printed	

3.8.10 Barcode on

[Name]	Barcode on	
[Format]	ASCII	VT
	Hex	0B
	Decimal	11
[Type]	Barcode 39	



[Description] Turns the barcode on until non-barcode character received.
 [Barcode char.] Space , \$, % , * , + , - , . , / , 0-9 , A-Z
 [Notes] The barcode 39 must start and end with the character '*'. This character is the start and stop character in barcode 39, and the '*' can only be used as start and end character.

If the barcode length exceeds the paper size the last barcode character will not be written as barcode. In that case the barcode cannot be read because the last character will not be '*'

3.8.11 Feed Forward

[Name] Feed Forward
 [Format] ASCII FF
 Hex 0C
 Decimal 12
 [Description] When this command is received the printer will print whatever data it has in the buffer and feed forward 50mm

3.8.12 Reverse off

3.8.13 [Name] Reverse off
 [Format] ASCII SO
 Hex 0E
 Decimal 14
 [Description] This command will switch off reverse printing

3.8.14 Reverse on

[Name] Reverse on
 [Format] ASCII SI
 Hex 0F
 Decimal 15
 [Description] This command will switch on reverse printing

3.8.15 Underline off

[Name] Underline off
 [Format] ASCII DLE



	Hex	10
	Decimal	16
[Description]	This command will switch off underline printing	

3.8.16 Underline on

[Name]	Underline on	
[Format]	ASCII	DC1
	Hex	11
	Decimal	17
[Description]	This command will switch on underline printing	

3.8.17 Bold off

[Name]	Bold off	
[Format]	ASCII	DC2
	Hex	12
	Decimal	18
[Description]	This command will switch off bold printing	

3.8.18 Bold on

[Name]	Bold on	
[Format]	ASCII	DC3
	Hex	13
	Decimal	19
[Description]	This command will switch on bold printing	

3.8.19 Italic off

[Name]	Italic off	
[Format]	ASCII	DC4
	Hex	14
	Decimal	20
[Description]	This command will switch off italic printing	

3.8.20 Italic on

[Name]	Italic on	
[Format]	ASCII	NAK
	Hex	15
	Decimal	21
[Description]	This command will switch on italic printing	



3.8.21 Initialise Printer

[Name]	Initialise	
[Format]	ASCII	SYN
	Hex	16
	Decimal	22
[Description]	When the printer controller receives this byte a reset of the printer will be initialised. This command can be treated even if buffer is full.	

3.8.22 Request Software version

[Name]	Request software version	
[Format]	ASCII	ETB
	Hex	17
	Decimal	23
[Description]	When the printer controller receives this byte the software version will be transmitted. This command can be treated even if buffer is full.	

3.8.23 Request Status

[Name]	Request status	
[Format]	ASCII	CAN
	Hex	18
	Decimal	24
[Description]	When the printer controller receives this byte a status byte will be transmitted. This command can be treated even if buffer is full.	

The bit definitions is as follows

Bit	Status	0	1
0	Near end	Logic level is low	Logic level is high
1	Paper	Present	Absent
2	Temperature	Not too hot	Head too hot to print
3	Head	Closed	Open
4	Paper Jam	No error	Error
5	Rxerror	No error	Rx error
6	Buffer	Not full.	Full (less than 16 bytes left)
7	Always 1.		

3.8.24 Request Analog voltage.

[Name]	Analog voltage	
[Format]	ASCII	EM
	Hex	19



	Decimal	25
[Description]	When the printer controller receives this byte the digital value of the head voltage will be transmitted. This command can be treated even if buffer is full	

3.8.25 Request Temperature

[Name]	Request Temperature	
[Format]	ASCII	SUB
	Hex	1A
	Decimal	26
[Description]	When the printer controller receives this byte the digital value of the head temperature will be transmitted. This command can be treated even if buffer is full	

3.8.26 Sub command set

[Name]	Sub command set	
[Format]	ASCII	ESC n
	Hex	1B n
	Decimal	27 n
[Range]	n: [-128;127]	
[Description]	The n is the commands in the sub-set.	

3.8.27 Upgrade command

[Name]	Upgrade command	
[Format]	ASCII	ESC Z
	Hex	1B 5A
	Decimal	27 90
[Description]	Only used by the I/F-COM A/S upgrade programs.	

3.8.28 Set auxiliary output

[Name]	Set auxiliary output	
[Format]	ASCII	ESC p n
	Hex	1B 70 n
	Decimal	27 112 n
[Description]	When this command is received then the auxiliary output can be set. If n = 0, then the output will be set to off	



If $n > 1$ and < 254 then the output will be turned on in $n/4.096\text{msec}$, and then turned off again.
If $n = 255$, then the output will be turned on.

3.8.29 Automatic sending status

[Name]	Automatic sending status
[Format]	ASCII ESC a
	Hex 1B 61
	Decimal 27 97
[Description]	When this command is sent once, then the board will transmit the status every time that it change state.

3.8.30 Stop sending automatic status

[Name]	Stop sending automatic status
[Format]	ASCII ESC b
	Hex 1B 62
	Decimal 27 98
[Description]	When this command is sent then it will turn off transmitting status.

3.8.31 Color/Grey scale graphic

[Name]	Colour / Grey scale graphic
[Format]	ASCII ESC c n
	Hex 1B 63 n
	Decimal 27 99 n
[Description]	When this command is sent then will the board not feed. After the next graphic data (both compression and not). The n is a percent of the burn ratio, n can be from 0 to 15, and the burn ratio is $100/15*n$. This command is used by the driver to make colour and grey scales printout.

3.8.32 Enable saving data

[Name]	Enable saving data
[Format]	ASCII ESC d
	Hex 1B 64



	Decimal	27	100
[Description]	This command will enable that the boards save values to the flash, this is made to ensure that a wrong transmission not will change settings in the board, remember to send the command "Saving data to board", to actual save the data.		

3.8.33 Save data to board

[Name]	Save data to board		
[Format]	ASCII	ESC	e
	Hex	1B	65
	Decimal	27	101
[Description]	This command saves all settings to flash.		

3.8.34 Change dot size

[Name]	Change dot size		
[Format]	ASCII	ESC	f n
	Hex	1B	66 n
	Decimal	27	102 n
[Description]	If n = 0x01, then the board is set to FTP624MCLxxx. If n = 0x02 then is it set to FTP634MCLxxx. The value is saved to flash,		

3.8.35 Change form feed length

[Name]	Change form feed length		
[Format]	ASCII	ESC	g n
	Hex	1B	67 n
	Decimal	27	103 n
[Description]	N represents the value in mm that is form feeded after the feed command is sent. The value is saved to flash.		

3.8.36 Change baud rate

[Name]	Change baud rate		
[Format]	ASCII	ESC	h n
	Hex	1B	68 n



	Decimal	27	104	n
[Description]	N represents the new baud rate, legal values for n = 1 to 255. The baud rate is calculated as $921600/n$ = new baud rate. For instance $921600/8 = 115200$ baud. The value is saved to the flash			

3.8.37 Change form feed time

[Name]	Change form feed time			
[Format]	ASCII	ESC	i	n
	Hex	1B	69	n
	Decimal	27	105	n
[Description]	N represents the time between that the board registry incoming paper, and to it starts feed the auto form feed length. The time is calculated as $n * 50$ msec. The default setting is 2 seconds. The value is saved to flash. Legal values for n are between 1 and 255.			

3.8.38 Feed Paper

[Name]	Feed Paper			
[Format]	ASCII	GS	n	
	Hex	1D	n	
	Decimal	29	n	
[Range]	n: [-128;127]			
[Description]	When the printer controller receives this command the paper will be fed n-dot lines. If the value is negative a reverse form feed will be made.			

3.8.39 Compensate Burn time

[Name]	Compensate burn time			
[Format]	ASCII	RS	n	
	Hex	1E	n	
	Decimal	30	n	
[Range]	n: [-15;15]			
[Description]	When the printer controller receives this command the burn time will be compensated. If a negative value is send the printout intensity will be lighter and if a positive value is send the printout intensity will be darker.			



3.8.40 Graphic data – non compressed

[Name]	Graphic data – non-compressed		
[Format]	ASCII	US	d1,d2,...,dX
	Hex	1F	d1,d2,...,dX
	Decimal	31	d1,d2,...,dX
[Range]	n: [0;255]		
[Description]	X=54 for FTP624MCLxxx, X=72 for FTP634MCLxxx,		
	When the printer controller receives this command the X graphic bytes (d1-dX) will be printed in one dot line. The MSB in d1 is the left most dot and the LSB in dX is the right most dot.		

3.8.41 Graphic data – compressed

[Name]	Graphic data – compressed		
[Format]	ASCII	Y	d1,d2,...,d(-Y)
	Hex	Y	d1,d2,...,d(-Y)
	Decimal	Y	d1,d2,...,d(-Y)
[Range]	Y: [-X;-2]		
	n: [0;255]		
[Description]	X=54 for FTP624MCLxxx, X=72 for FTP634MCLxxx,		
	When the printer controller receives a byte that is -Y to -2 (Decimal 256-Y to 254) the following data is compressed data. The number of compressed graphic bytes is the negative value.		

This means:

If Y = -10 (Decimal 246) the next 10 bytes is compressed data.

The compressed data is as follows.

When a data byte is 0 (no dots activated) the next byte received is the number of bytes that are 0. All other data is send as non compressed.

A very few lines cannot be compressed. These will if you try to compress them be longer than the non-compressed line. These must therefore be send as non-compressed data.

3.8.42 Escape sequences, overview.

ESCAPE SEQUENCES, ASCII	FUNCTION
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NUL	Small Font
SOH	Low Font
STX	Narrow Font
ETX	Normal Font
EOT	Wide Font
ENQ	High Font
ACK	Large Font
BEL	Xlarge Font
LF	Line Feed
VT	Print barcode
FF	Forward feed
SO	Reverse off
SI	Reverse on
DLE	Underline off
DC1	Underline on
DC2	Bold off
DC3	Bold on
DC4	Italic off
NAK	Italic on
SYN	Initialize printer
ETB	Request software version
CAN	Request status
EM	Request analogue voltage
SUB	Request temperature
GS+n	Feed paper
RS+n	Burn compensate
US+d1..dX	Print graphic line



4 Maintenance

4.1 Daily use

Printer and interface board must be switch off while in idle mode.

4.2 Store/Transport

The product has to be stored under ESD safe conditions, and to be packed safely during transportation.



5 Specifications

5.1 Electrical Data

Voltage: 6-8,5VDC

Current: Maximum head current: $\frac{\text{Numbers of active dots} * V_{\text{head}}}{150 \pm 15\%}$

Maximum motor current: 1000mA

Power up sequence: max. 10 msec. 10 – 90% Voltage applied

Power down sequence: max. 10 msec. 90 – 10% Voltage applied

5.2 Mechanical Data

Dimensions: Length, width, height: 77 mm* 50 mm * max. 15 mm
Including connectors.

Vibration: 100G XYZ

Shock: 100G XYZ

5.3 Environmental Data

Operation: Temperature: -20°C- +85°C
Humidity : 10%-99% RH, without condensing

Storage: Temperature: -40°C - +85°C
Humidity: 0%-99% RH, without condensing

Transport: Temperature: -40°C - +85°C
Humidity: 0%-99% RH, without condensing

5.4 EMC & ESC

The printer controller is tested according to:

Emission: E-Field: EN50081-1-1

Conducted: EN50081-1-2

Immunity: E-field: EN50082-1-1

Conducted transients: EN50082-1-2

Over voltage: EN50082-1-3

Medical equipment: IEC601-1-2



ESD: 4 kV contact discharge against parts exposed to contact at normal use. 8 kV air discharge.

5.5 Temperature Test

Temperature shock: (no voltage applied) -28°C to +100°C at 1 sec. 100 times: no damage.



6 Connector Pin Assignment

6.1.1 Motor connector

Connector CN1: 5501-4S

Mating connector part number:
TBA

Pin	Function
1	/MB
2	MB
3	/MA
4	MA

6.1.2 Thermal Head connector

FTP624MCLxxx

Connector CN2: JS-1125-16

Mating connector part number:
TBA

Pin	Function	Pin	Function
1	VH	9	/ST5
2	GND	10	/LAT
3	GND	11	/ST6
4	/ST1	12	+5V
5	/ST2	13	CLK
6	/ST3	14	DI
7	/ST4	15	GND
8	TI	16	VH



6.1.3 Thermal Head connector

FTP634MCLxxx and FTP644MCLxxx

Mating connector: TBA

Connector CN4: JS1125-11

Pin	Function	Pin	Function
1	/ST5	7	DI
2	/ST6	8	GND
3	/ST7	9	GND
4	/ST7	10	VH
5	/CLK	11	VH
6	/LAT		

6.1.4 Thermal Head connector

FTP634MCLxxx and FTP644MCLxxx

Mating connector: TBA

Connector CN3: JS1125-10

Pin	Function	Pin	Function
1	VH	6	/ST1
2	VH	7	/ST2
3	GND	8	/ST3
4	GND	9	/ST4
5	TI1	10	+5V



6.1.5 IRDA connector

IRDA connector CN7: B4B-ZR
Mating connector part number:
TBA

Pin	1	2	3	4
Function	+5V	TX	RX	GND

6.1.6 AUX INPUT connector

Connector type CN6: 53324-0710
Mating connector part number:
Housing: TBA
Contact: TBA

CN4:

Pin	Function	Pin	Function
1	LED1+	4	LED2+
2	INPUT1	5	INPUT2
3	GND	6	GND
7	GND		

The paper near end status, can be seen on the LED on the aux connector, it can be reading through the status command, and if a driver is used, then it can be reading in the port monitor: If paper jam is used, then will the printer stop printing if this signal is going low, the value of this bit can be seen on the LED on the aux output connector, it can be reading by a status request, or if a driver is used, then it can be reading by the port monitor

The paper near end and paper jam is indicated on LED at the AUX connector CN4. The status of these bits can also be read with a response on a status request. If a driver is used, then the status can also be read in the print monitor. If paper jam sensor is activated printing will stop until paper jam sensor is deactivated. The LED will show these conditions.



The LED will show these conditions

LED	Error
Off	No Error
Flash 1Hz	Paper near end
Flash 2Hz	Paper jam
On	Both paper jam and near end

6.1.7 Power connector

Power connector CN10: KLD-0202-B
Mating connector
TBA

Pin	Function	Pin	Function
1	GND	3	GND
2	+8.5V	4	+8.5V

6.1.8 USB connector

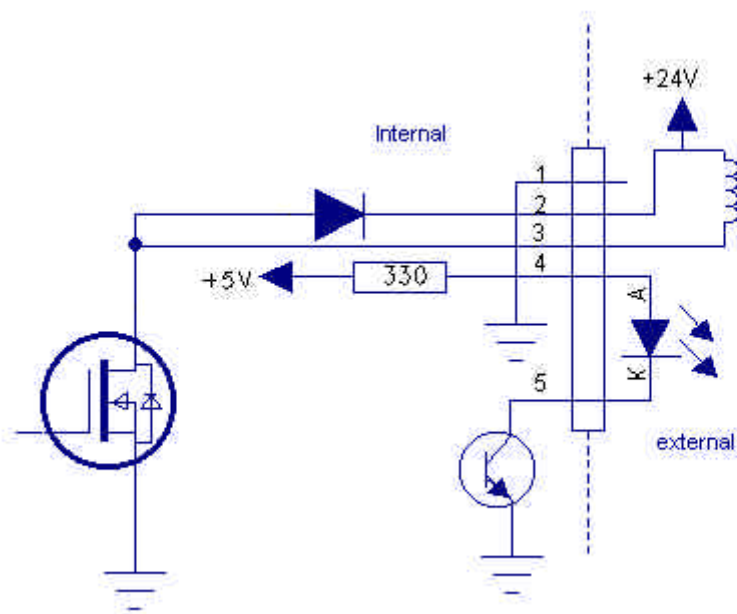
USB connector CN8: UBBR-04SW11
Mating connector:
TBA

Pin	1	2	3	4
Function	N.C.	USB-	USB+	GND

6.1.9 AUX connector

Connector type CN11: 5501-5TS
Mating connector
TBA





Pin	1	2	3	4	5
Function	GND	Vcoil, Max 24V	Coil, max 1A	Anode	Cathode

Using output as cash drawer solenoid time must be set. By default solenoid time is 0,5 sec.

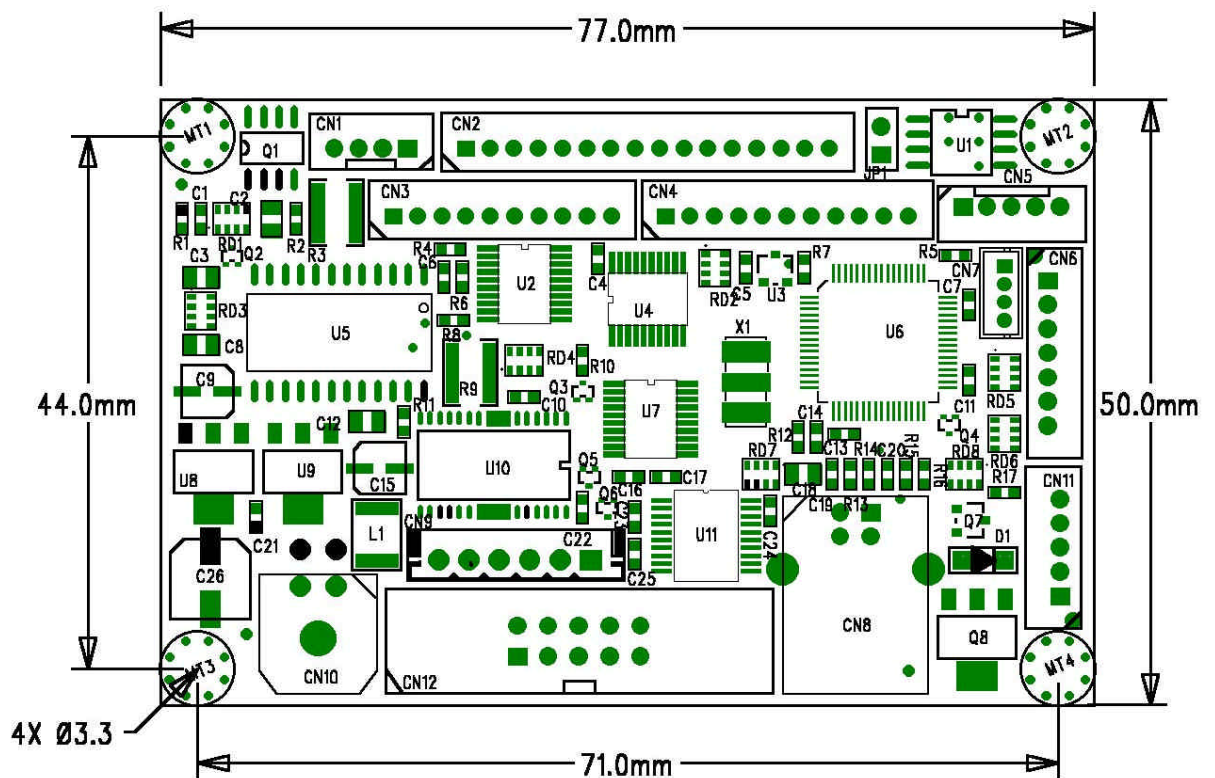
Using output for winding motor, connector must be applied. Upon feeding with motor the winding motor also turns. Please see manual for winding motor for more information

6.1.10 Serial connector

Connector type CN12; IDH10S1GN (Taitek)
Mating connector part number: FC10AGN (Taitek)

Pin	Function	Pin	Function
1	NC	2	DSR
3	TX	4	CTS
5	RX	6	RTS
7	DTR	8	NC
9	GND	10	NC

6.2 Mechanical Drawings



7 Appendix

7.1 Seiko compatible command set (optional)

7.1.1 Escape sequences, overview.

CR	CR Carriage Return
ESC+ ' J ' +n	Print and Feed Forward
ESC+ ' j ' +n	Print and Feed Backward
ESC+ ' 2 '	16-dot Line Spacing
ESC+ ' 0 '	4-dot Line Spacing
ESC+ ' A ' +n or ESC+ ' 3 ' +n n-dot	Line Spacing
ESC+ SP+n	Character Spacing
ESC+ ' s ' +nl+nr	Left/Right Character Spacing
ESC+ ' U ' +n	Inverse Print
DC2+ ' Y ' +n	Character Rotation
ESC+ ' - ' +n	Underline
SO	Double-Width (with automatic reset) ON
DC4	Double-Width (with automatic reset) OFF
ESC+ ' W ' +n	Double-Width
ESC+ ' w ' +n	Double-Height
ESC+ ' I ' +n	Reverse
DC2+ ' F ' +n	Font Size Selection
ESC+ ' t ' +n	Character Set Select
ESC+ ' & ' + s + e +	Font Data Downloaded Character Define
ESC+ ' % ' + n	Downloaded Character Select
DC2+ ' D ' +n	Downloaded Character Area Operation
ESC+ ' + ' + k1 + k2+	ESC+ ' + ' + k1 + k2+ Font Data
FS+ ' 2 ' + k1 + k2+	Font Data User-Defined Character Define
ESC+ ' K ' or FS+ ' & '	Kanji Mode Specify
ESC+ ' H ' or FS+ ' . '	Kanji Mode Clear
DC2+ ' G ' +n	User Defined Character Area Operation



DC2+ ' P ' + s + e+ x + y +	Font Data Option Font Define
DC2+ ' O ' +n	Option Font Select/Deselect
DC2+ ' Q ' +	Option Font Clear
DC3+ ' A ' +	Ruler Line Buffer A
DC3+ ' B ' +	Ruler Line Buffer B
DC3+ ' V ' +	Image Data Ruler Line Image
DC3+ ' D ' +nl+nh	Define Ruler Line by Dot
DC3+ ' L ' +ml+mh+nl+nh	Define Ruler Line by Line
DC3+ ' F ' +n1+n2	Define Ruler Line with Repeating Pattern
DC3+ ' + ' +	Ruler Line ON
DC3+ ' - ' +	Ruler Line OFF
DC3+ ' P ' +	Print One Dot Line after Printing Line Buffer Data
DC3+ ' C ' +	Ruler Line Buffer Clear
DC3+ ' (' +	Continuous Ruler Line Control Code Input

7.2 Fujitsu compatible command set (optional)

7.2.1 Escape sequences, overview.

HT	Horizontal tab
LF	Line feed with printing
FF	Forms feed
ESC RS:	Black-white reversed printing specification
ESC US:	Black-white reversed printing cancellation
ESC !+n:	Printing mode specification
ESC %+n:	Download character set specification/cancellation (valid only when optional memory is installed)
ESC &+y+c1+c2+x+[d]k :	Download character definition (valid only when optional memory is installed)
ESC *+m+n1+n2+[d]k :	Bit image mode specification
ESC ?+n	External registration character deletion (valid only when optional memory is installed)
ESC 2	1/6-inch line pitch setting
ESC 3+n	Minimum-pitch-unit line pitch setting



ESC @	Printer initialisation
ESC A+n	Line spacing setting
ESC C+n	Page length (number of lines) setting
ESC D+[n]k+NUL	Horizontal tab position setting
ESC J+n	Printing and minimum-pitch-unit paper feed
ESC K+n	Backward paper feed
ESC R+n	International character specification
ESC c+1+n	Internal processing setting
ESC d+n	Printing and n-line feed
ESC e+n	Printing and backward n-line feed
ESC s+n	Printing speed setting
ESC t+n	Character code table selection
ESC {+n	Upside-down printing setting/cancellation
FS 9+n	Detection function enable/disable setting
GS <	Mark detection execution
GS A+m+n	After-mark-detection head detection distance setting
GS E+n	Print quality setting
GS V+n+m	Paper cutting
GS e+n+m	Bar code width setting
GS h+n	Bar code height setting
GS k+m+n+[d]k	Bar code printing
GS w+n	Bar code width magnification setting
FS *+n1+n2+[n]k	High speed collective image printing specified
GS &+m+x+y1+y2+[n]k	Registration of image data
GS '+m+n	Print registered image data
FS E+n	Correction of impressed energy
ESC V+n	Right rotation 90°
GS a+n	Setting and cancellation of status transmission.
FS r+n	Parameter transmission
ESC EM+n	Setting the amount of the feeding at automatic paper feed
ESC X+n+m	Setting the turning time of the motor excitation

Line Feed

[Name]	Line Feed	
[Format]	ASCII	LF
	Hex	0A
	Decimal	10



[Description] When the printer controller receives this byte the text data in the buffer will be printed

Horizontal tab

[Name] Horizontal tab

[Format] ASCII HT
Hex 0A
Decimal 10

[Description] When the printer controller receives this byte the text data in the buffer will be printed



7.3 APS compatible command set (optional)

7.3.1 Escape sequences, overview.

GS / n	Set printing speed / Maximum peak current
GS D n	Set print Intensity
ESC v	Send printer status
ESC I	Send printer identity
ESC @	Resets printer
ESC S	Puts the printer in sleep mode
GS B n	Serial Communication setting
GS b n	Set parallel port Busy line hold time
ESC % n	Select internal Character Set
ESC R n	Select international character Set
ESC 3 n	Set line spacing
ESC SP n	Set character spacing
ESC ! n	Set print mode
ESC { n	Set/reset Rotated character
LF	Line feed
CR	Carriage return
ESC J n	Feed paper (n dot lines) forward
ESC j n	Feed paper (n dot lines) backward
CAN	Cancel print data buffer (text mode)
ESC * n1 n2 n3 n4 n5 n6, data	Print graphics
ESC \$ n1,n2	Horizontal dot positioning
ESC V n1,n2,n3 data	Horizontal bit image
ESC m	Partial cut
ESC i	Full cut
GS k n [Start] <data> NUL	Print bar code
GS h n	Barcode Height
GS w n	Barcode magnification
GS H n	Text position in Barcode
GS L n	Set Mark length
GS T n Se	Set TOF position
GS E	TOF feed paper
GS X n1 n2	Set Mark to Cut Position
GS x n1 n2	Set Cut Line to Head Dot line Length

GS / n



Description: Set printing speed / Maximum peak current/
Dynamic division

Format: <1Dh> <2Fh> <n>

Comments: n=1 to 32: (Default n=5) Software programmable
consumption (Dynamic division). The
maximum number of black dots which are
simultaneously heated is $(n+1) \times 8$.
In Default Mode, $n = 5$.

Example: n=5 Maximum black dots heated: $(5+1)*8=48$.
Printer Peak consumption @5V: $(0.3A \text{ (Stepper Motor)} + 5*48/160) = 1.8A$
160 Ohms is the dot resistance.

GS D n

Description: Set print Intensity

Format: <1Dh> <44h> <n>

Comments: n=8Fh (127d) : (Default). Nominal print intensity
n>8Fh (127d) : Printout becomes darker
n<8Fh (127d) : Printout becomes lighter
(n from 0 to 255 (FFh)).

ESC v

Description: Send printer status

Format: <1Bh> <76h>

Comments: The printer returns a single byte that reflects the
status of the printer in accordance with the
following table:

BIT FUNCTION BIT = 0 BIT = 1

0 Head temperature OK Too high or too low

1 Head-up No Yes

2 Paper out No Yes

3 Power supply OK Too high or too low

4 Printer in use Ready Action in progress

5 On/Off line Off On

6 Hole/Mark detection Error No Too short, too long or not found

7 Cutter failure Yes No

This command is executed immediately after being received, even in
case of a full buffer

(DTR/RTS, Xoff or Busy active). Host must disable the handshaking
controls to send the ESC v
command.

When using the parallel port, the software continuously updates PE
signal. To read the
status byte, use the Byte Mode (Parallel communication) as described
in section 3.4.2, after
having sent the ESC v command.



7.4 ESC/POS compatible command set (optional)

7.4.1 Escape sequences, overview.

ESC c 4	Select Paper Near End Sensors to stop printing
HT	Horizontal Tab
LF	Print and Line feed
FF	Print and return to standard Mode
CR	Print and carriage return
DLE EOT n	Real Time status transmission
DLE ENQ n	Real time request to printer
CAN	Cancel print data in page mode
ESC FF	Print data in page mode
ESC SP n	Set right side character spacing
ESC ! n	Select print mode(s)
ESC\$ nL nH	Set absolute print position
ESC * m nL n H [d]k	Select bit image mode
ESC - n	Turn underline mode on/off
ESC 2	Select 1/6-inch spacing
ESC 3 n	Set line spacing
ESC = n	Set peripheral device
ESC ? n	Cancel user defined characters
ESC @	Initialize printer
ESC [n] k NUL	Set horizontal tab position
ESC E n	Turn emphasized mode on/off
ESC G n	Turn on/off double strike mode
ESC J n	Print and feed paper
ESC L	Select page mode
ESC R n	Select an international character set
ESC S	Select standard mode
ESC T n	Select print direction in page mode
ESV V n	Turn 90°clockwise rotation mode on/off
ESC W xL xH yL yH dxH dyL dyH	Set printing in page mode
ESC c 5 n	Enable/Disable panel buttons
ESC c 3 n	Select paper near end sensors to output end signals
ESC a n	Select justification
ESC \ nL nH	Set relative print position



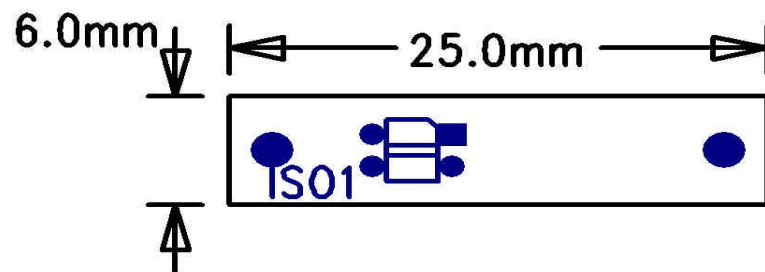
ESC d n	Print and feed n lines
ESC i	Partial cut
ESC p m t1 t2	Cash drawer Output
ESC t n	Select character Code table
ESC u n	Transmit peripheral device status
ESC v	Transmit paper sensor status
ESC { n	Turns on/off upside-down printing mode
GS ! n	Select character size
G S \$ nL nH	Set absolute vertical print position in page mode
GS * x y [d] x*y *8	Define download bit image
GS / m	Print downloaded bit image
GS :	Start / end macro definition
GS B n	Turn white/black reverse printing mode
GS H n	Select printing position for HRI characters
GS I n	Transmit printer ID
GS L nL nH	Set left margin
GS P x y	Set horizontal and vertical motion units
GS V m n	Select cut mode and cut paper
GS W nL nH	Set printing area width
GS \ nL nH	Set relative vertical print position page mode
GS ^ r t m	Execute macro
GS a n	Enable /Disable Automatic Status back
GS b n	Turns smoothing mode on/off
GS f n	Select font for Human Readable Interpretation (HRI) characters
GS h n	Select bar code height
GS k m d1...dk NUL	Print bar code
GS k m n d1...dn	Print bar code
GS r n	Transmit status
GS w n	Set bar code width



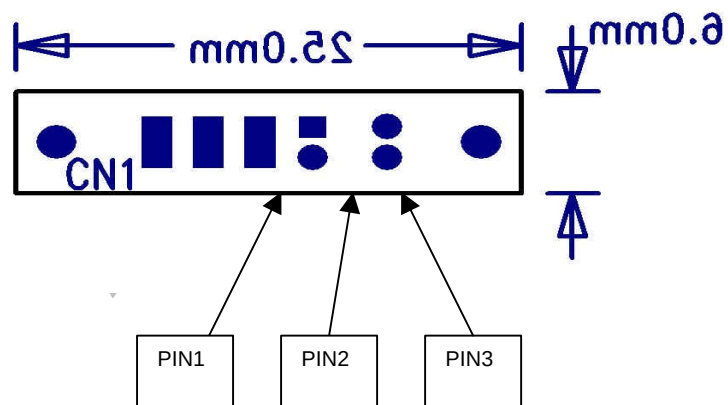
7.5 Optional sensor description



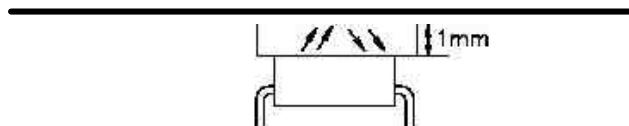
PAPER NEAR SENSOR
OR
BLACK MARK SENSOR



Top view



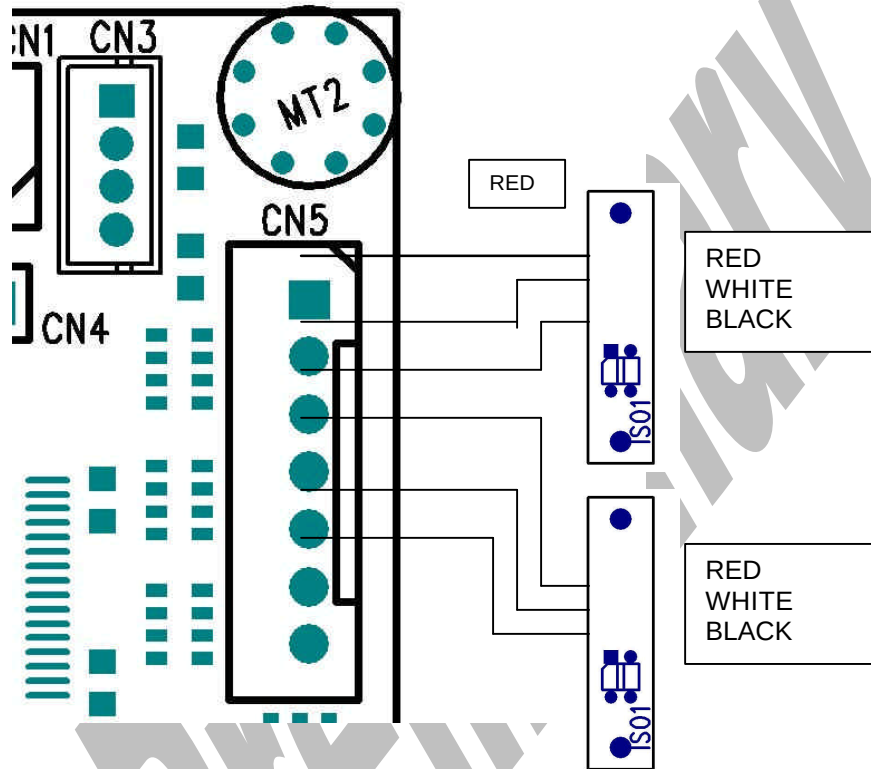
Bottom view



Please note that distance from top of sensor to paper must be Min 0,5mm and Max 1,00mm

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Example showing how to connect PRS600 to AUX Input connector CN4 on PRN604-S standard board.