DATA SHEET



MOS INTEGRATED CIRCUIT μ PD16431A

1/2, 1/3, 1/4-DUTY LCD CONTROLLER/DRIVER

The μ PD16431A is an LCD controller/driver that enables display of segment type LCDs of 1/2, 1/3, or 1/4 duty cycle. This controller/driver has 56 segment output lines of which eight can also be used as LED output lines. Because the LCD driver contained in the μ PD16431A has separate logic and power supply, up to 6.5 V of LCD drive voltage can be set. In addition, key source output lines for key scanning and key input data lines are also provided, so that the μ PD16431A is ideal for applications in the front panel of an automobile stereo system.

FEATURES

• Various display modes

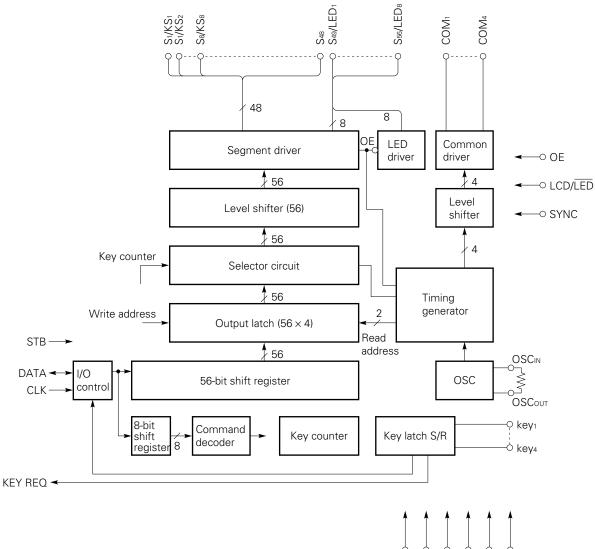
- 1/2 duty: 112 segment outputs or 96 segment outputs + 8 LED outputs
- 1/3 duty: 168 segment outputs or 144 segment outputs + 8 LED outputs1/4 duty: 224 segment outputs or 192 segment outputs + 8 LED outputs
- Key scan circuit (key source outputs are shared with LCD driver outputs)
- Independent LCD driver power supply VLCD (can be set to VDD to 6.5 V)
- Serial data input/output (SCK, STB, DATA)
- On-chip oscillator incorporated
- Power-ON reset circuit

ORDERING INFORMATION

 Part Number
 Package

 μPD16431AGC-7ET
 80-pin plastic QFP (0.65 pitch, 14 × 14)

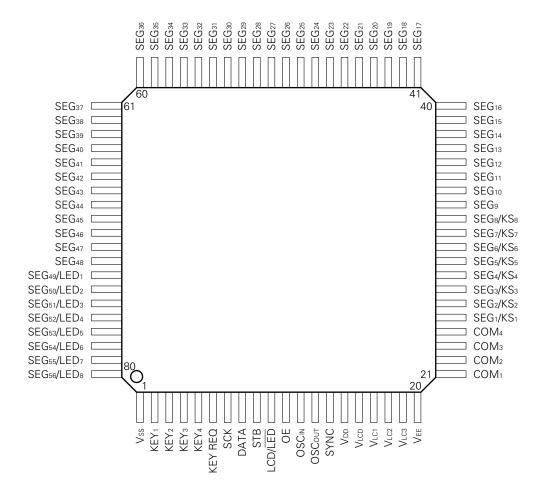
BLOCK DIAGRAM



VDD VSS VLCD VLC1 VLC2 VLC3

NEC

PIN CONFIGURATION



Note Though Vss and VEE are internally connected, be sure to connect all the power supply pins (VDD, Vss, VLCD, and VEE).

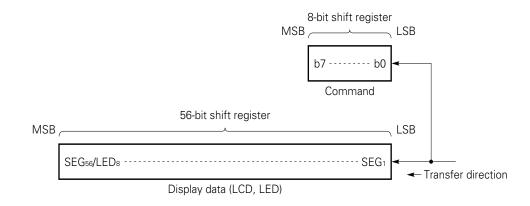
PIN FUNCTIONS

| Symbol | Name | No. | Description |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|---|
| SEG1/KS1 to SEG8/KS8 | Segment output/key source output | 25 to 32 | These pins serve as LCD segment output pins and key source output pins for key scanning. |
| SEG9 to SEG48 | Segment output | 33 to 72 | LCD segment output pins |
| SEG49/LED1 to SEG56/LED8 | Segment output/LED output pins | 73 to 80 | These pins can be used as LCD segment output or LED output pins depending on the setting of the LCD/LED pin. |
| COM1 to COM4 | Common output | 21 to 24 | LCD common output pins |
| SCK | Shift clock input | 7 | Data shift clock. Data is read at the rising edge, and is output at the falling edge of this clock. |
| DATA | Data input/output | 8 | This pin inputs a command or display data, or outputs key data. A command or data is input at the rising edge of the shift clock, starting from the most significant bit. Key data is output at the falling edge of the shift clock, starting from the most significant bit. This pin serves as an open-drain pin in the output mode. |
| STB | Strobe input | 9 | Data can be input when this signal goes low. When it goes high, command processing is performed. |
| LCD/LED | LCD/LED select | 10 | When this signal goes high, the SEGn/LEDm pins function as LCD segment output pins; when it goes low, they function as LED driver output pins. The LED driver has a drive capability of 15 mA and is N-ch open drain. |
| OE Note | Output enable input | 11 | When this signal goes low, all the segment output and LED output pins are off (SEG _n = COM _n = V _{LCD}). Internal data are saved. |
| OSCIN | Oscillation input | 12 | Connect a resistor for oscillation circuit across these pins. |
| OSCOUT | Oscillation output | 13 | |
| SYNC | Synchronizing signal | 14 | A synchronizing signal input pin. When two or more μ PD16431A's are used, each device is wired-ORed. This pin must be pulled up when this chip is used alone. |
| KEY1 to KEY4 | Key data input | 2 to 5 | Key data input pins for key scanning |
| KEY REQ | Key request output | 6 | This signal goes high when a key is pressed (key data = H). Read the key data only while this pin is high. |
| Vdd | Logic power supply | 15 | Power supply pin for internal logic |
| Vss | Logic GND | 1 | GND pin for internal logic and LED output |
| VLCD | LCD drive power supply | 16 | Power supply pin for LCD drive |
| VEE | LCD GND | 20 | GND pin for LCD drive |
| VLC1 to VLC3 | Power supply for LCD drive | 17 to 19 | Power supply for driving dot matrix LCD |

Note At OE = L, the key data cannot be written correctly, even when the display ON/OFF of the status command is set to the "normal operation" (10). Also, in this state, unnecessary waveforms are generated from between SEG1/KS1 to SEG8/KS8 during the key scanning period. (The display is OFF.)

CONFIGURATION OF SHIFT REGISTER

Two shift registers, an 8-bit command register and a 56-bit display register, are provided. The first 8 bits of input data are recognized as a command and are sent to the command register, and the 9th bit and those that follow are recognized as display data and are sent to the display register.



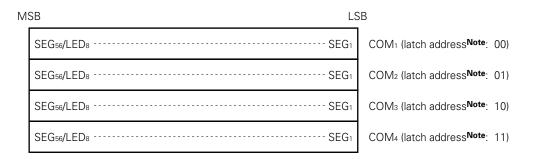
The meaning of the display data is as follows:

LCD: $0 \rightarrow off, 1 \rightarrow on$

LED: $0 \rightarrow on, 1 \rightarrow off$

Be sure to transfer 56 bits of display data.

CONFIGURATION OF OUTPUT LATCH



Note Bits b3 and b4 of status command (Refer to page 8.)

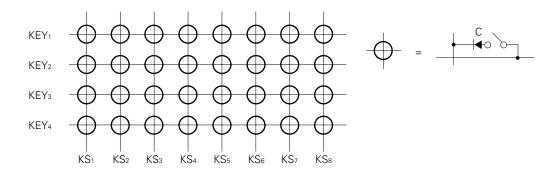
NEC

KEY MATRIX CONFIGURATION

An example of key matrix configurations is shown below.

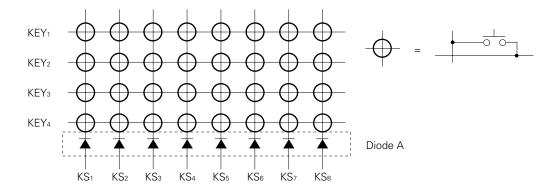
1) When pressing three or more times is assumed:

A configuration example is shown below. In this configuration, 0 to 32 ON switches can be recognized.



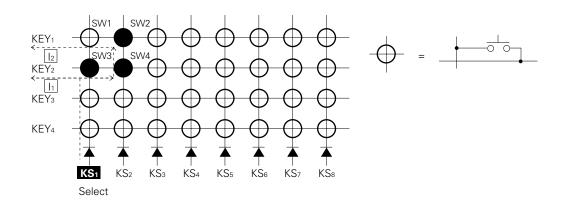
2) When pressing twice or more times is assumed:

A configuration example is shown below. In this configuration, 0 to 2 ON switches can be recognized.



In this configuration, pressing three or more times may cause OFF switches to be determined to be ON.

For example, if SW2 to SW4 are ON and KS1 has been selected (high level) as shown below, SW3 in which current I1 is running is supposed to be detected to be ON. However, since SW2 and SW4 are ON, current I2 runs thus resulting in SW1 to be recognized as being ON.

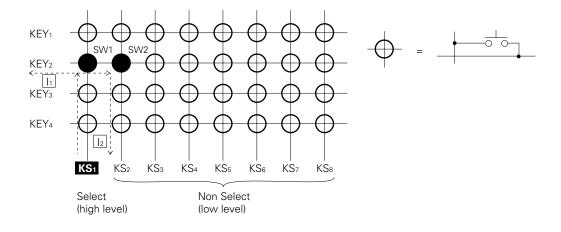


If diode A is not available, not only the key data may not be read normally but the LCD display may be affected or ICs may be damaged or deteriorated.

For example, if SW1 and SW2 are ON and KS1 has been selected (high level) as shown below, this will cause not only current l1 which is supposed to run but also short-circuited current l2 of KS1 to KS2 to run. It is possible that this will then cause the following three problems:

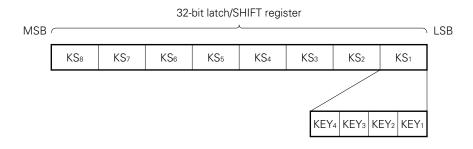
(1)Since the level to KEY₂ is not correctly sent, the key data cannot be latched correctly.

- (2) If KS₂ is used as SEG₂ as well, the LCD display may be distorted (such as causing unintended segments to light up).
- (3)Since the short-circuited current (current l₂) of KS₂ (high level) to KS₂ (low level) runs, ICS may be damaged or deteriorated



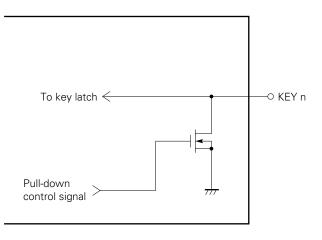
CONFIGURATION OF KEY DATA LATCH

The key data is latched as illustrated below and is read by a read command, starting from the most significant bit. Key data is read once a frame and latched when coinciding with the immediadtely preceding data. In other words, it requires at least 2 frames from the time the key is pressed till data is confirmed to be the key data (the key request becoming H).



The key data is 0 when off and 1 when on.

KEY INPUT EQUIVALENT CIRCUIT



- The pull-down control signal goes high only during key source output and turns on the pull-down transistor.
- \bullet The on-resistance of the pull-down transistor is several k\Omega.

COMMAND

A command sets a display mode and a status.

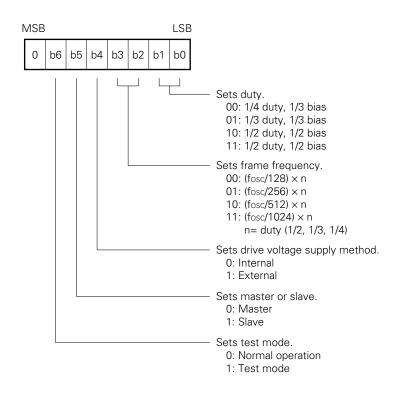
The first 1 byte input after the STB pin has fallen is regarded as a command.

If the STB pin is made low while a command/data is transferred, serial communication is initialized, and the command/data being transferred is made invalid (the command/data that has been already transferred remains valid, however).

(1) Display setting command

This command initializes the μ PD16431A and sets a duty cycle, frame frequency, drive voltage supply method, test mode, and whether the μ PD16431A operates as the master or a slave.

When this command is executed, display is forcibly turned off and key scanning is stopped. To resume the display, the normal operation of the "status command" must be executed. Note, however, that nothing is executed if the same mode is selected.

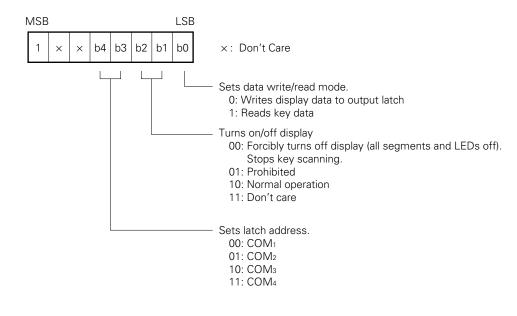


Values when power is applied

| | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | |

(2) Status command

This command sets a data write/read mode, turns on/off display, and sets a latch address.



Values when power is applied

| × × | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|-----|---|---|---|---|---|
|-----|---|---|---|---|---|

OUTPUT SELECT VOLTAGE

1. COM

| | + | _ | Bias |
|-------------------|------------------|------------------|----------|
| When selected | Vlcd Vlcd | GND GND | 1/2 bias |
| When not selected | 1/2 Vlcd Vlc2 | 1/2 Vlcd Vlc2 | |
| When key scanned | 1/2 Vlcd Vlc2 | 1/2 Vlcd Vlc2 | |
| When selected | Vlcd Vlcd | GND GND | 1/3 bias |
| When not selected | 1/3 Vlcd Vlc3 | 2/3 Vlcd Vlc1 | |
| When key scanned | 1/2 Vlcd Vlc2 | 1/2 Vlcd Vlc2 | |

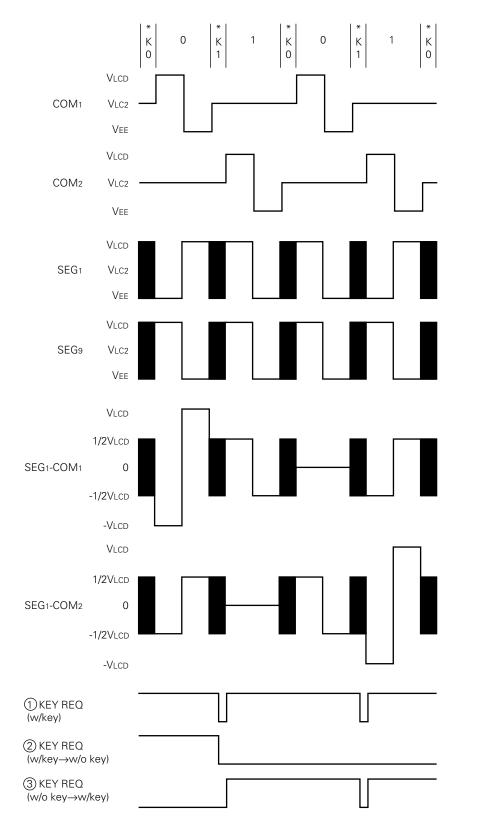
Top : with internal power supply Bottom: with external power supply

2. SEG

| | + | _ | Bias |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| When selected | GND | VLCD | 1/2 bias |
| | GND | VLCD | |
| When not selected | VLCD | GND | |
| | VLCD | GND | |
| When key scanned | GND | VLCD | |
| | GND | VLCD | |
| When key not | VLCD | GND | |
| scanned | VLCD | GND | |
| When selected | GND | VLCD | 1/3 bias |
| | GND | VLCD | |
| When not selected | 2/3 VLCD | 1/3 VLCD | |
| | VLC1 | VLC3 | |
| When key scanned | GND | VLCD | |
| | GND | VLCD | |
| When key not | VLCD | GND | |
| scanned | VLCD | GND | |

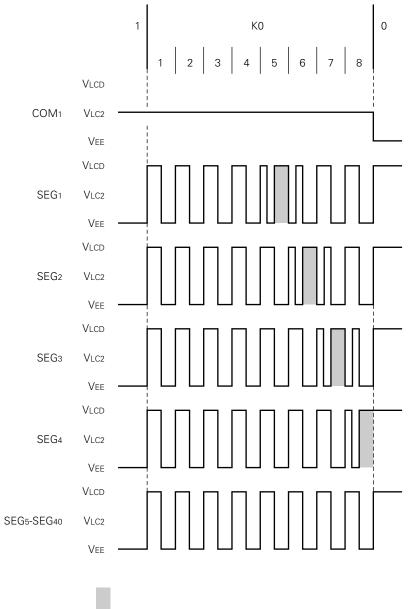
OUTPUT WAVEFORM

(1) 1/2 duty (1/2 dias)



*: key scan period (16/fc)

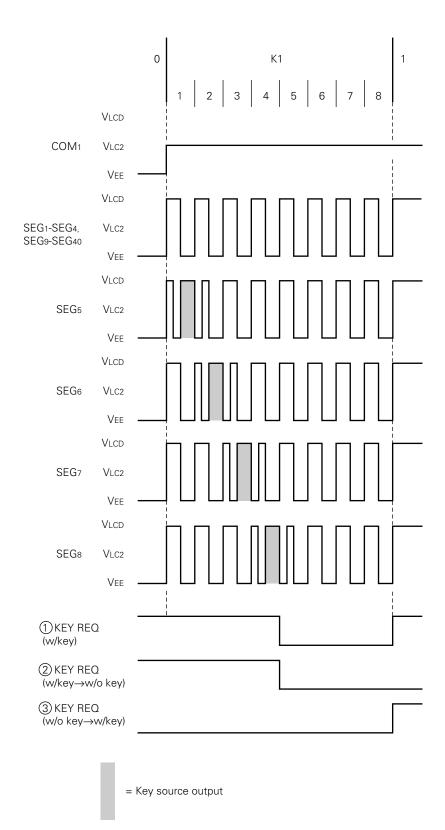
KEY SCAN PERIOD (K0) EXPANSION



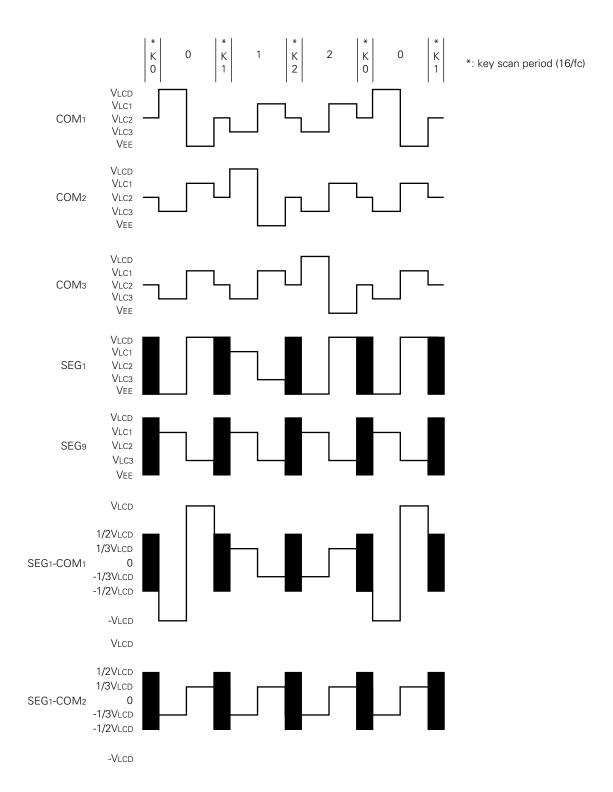
= Key source output

NEC

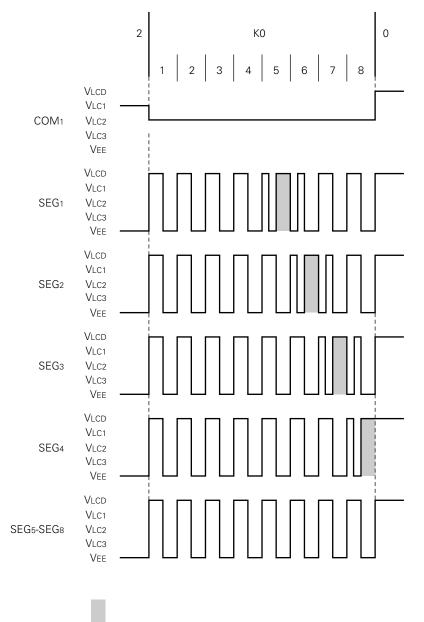
KEY SCAN PERIOD (K1) EXPANSION



(2) 1/3 duty (1/3 bias)

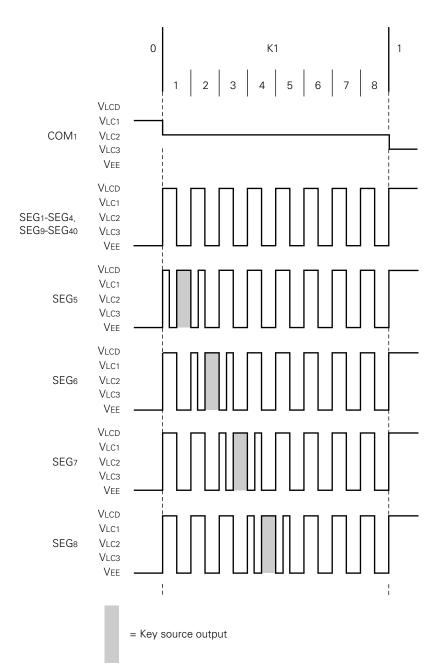


KEY SCAN PERIOD (K0) EXPANSION

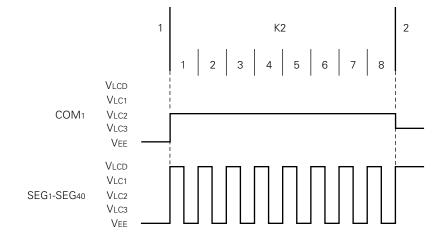


= Key source output

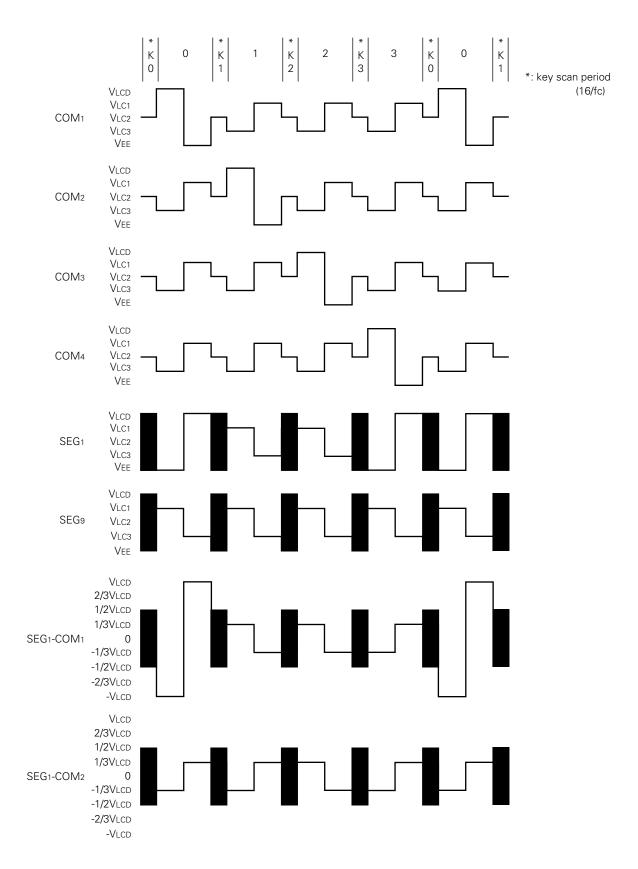
KEY SCAN PERIOD (K1) EXPANSION



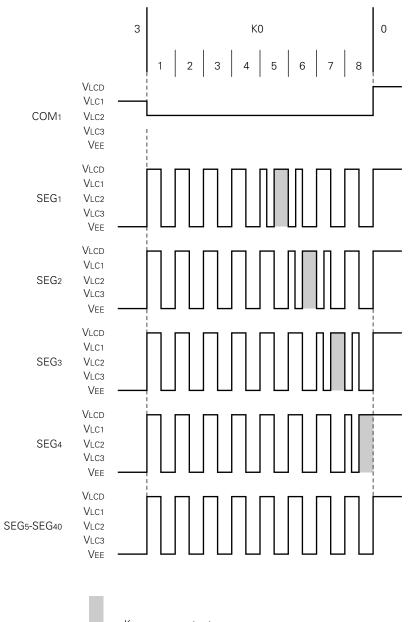
KEY SCAN PERIOD (K2) EXPANSION



(3) 1/4 duty (1/3 bias)

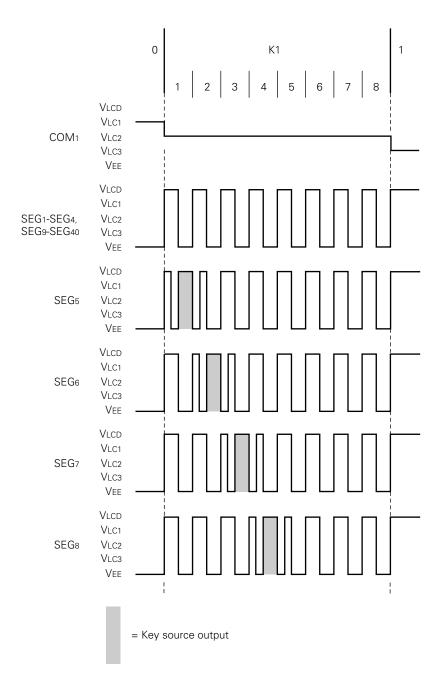


KEY SCAN PERIOD (K0) EXPANSION

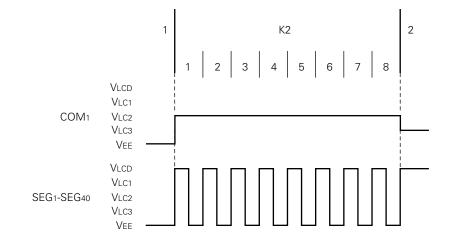


= Key source output

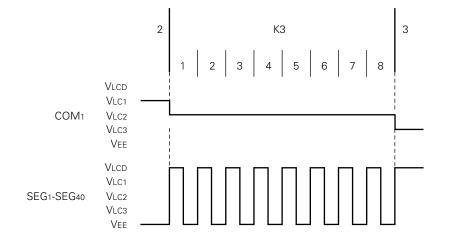
KEY SCAN PERIOD (K1) EXPANSION



KEY SCAN PERIOD (K2) EXPANSION

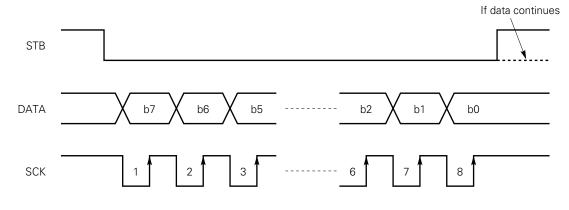


KEY SCAN PERIOD (K3) EXPANSION

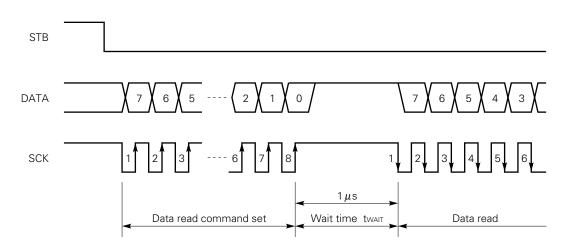


SERIAL COMMUNICATION FORMAT

(1) Receive (command/data write)



(2) Transmit (command/data read)



Note Because the DATA pin is an N-ch open-drain output pin, be sure to connect an external pull-up resistor to this pin (1 k Ω to 10 k Ω).

APPLICATION

1. Example of initial setting + display data write

| Deverseter | STB | | С | om | ma | nd | /da | ta | | Remarks |
|---------------------|-----|----------|----------|----------|----|----|-----|----|----|---|
| Parameter | 516 | b7 | b6 | b5 | b4 | b3 | b2 | b1 | b0 | nemarks |
| Start | Н | | | | | | | | | |
| Set display command | L | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1/4 duty, frame frequency = fosc/128 \times 1/4, internal drive |
| | | | | | | | | | | voltage, master |
| | Н | | | | | | | | | |
| Status command | L | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Display data write, display off, latch address: COM_1 |
| Display data 1 | L | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | | | | | | | | | | COM1 data (7 bytes) |
| Display data 7 | Ĺ | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | н | | | | | | | | | |
| Status command | L | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Display data write, display off, latch address: COM2 |
| Display data 1 | L | \times | × | \times | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | | | | | | | | | | COM2 data (7 bytes) |
| Display data 7 | Ľ | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | н | | | | | | | | | |
| Status command | L | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Display data write, display off, latch address: COM3 |
| Display data 1 | L | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | | | | | | | | | | COM₃ data (7 bytes) |
| Display data 7 | Ľ | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | Н | | | | | | | | | |
| Status command | L | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Display data write, display off, latch address: COM4 |
| Display data 1 | L | × | \times | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | | | | | | | | | | COM₄ data (7 bytes) |
| Display data 7 | Ľ | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | Н | | | | | | | | | |
| Status command | L | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Display data write, display on |
| End | Н | | | | | | | | | |

2. Example of display data write (rewrite, 1/4)

| | OTD | | С | om | ma | nd | /da | ta | | |
|----------------|-----|----|----------|----|----|----|-----|----|----|---|
| Parameter | STB | b7 | b6 | b5 | b4 | b3 | b2 | b1 | b0 | Remarks |
| Start | Н | | | | | | | | | |
| Status command | L | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Display data write, display on, latch address: COM1 |
| Display data 1 | L | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | | | | | | | | | | COM₁ data (7 bytes) |
| Display data 7 | Ĺ | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | Н | | | | | | | | | |
| Status command | L | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Display data write, display on, latch address: COM ₂ |
| Display data 1 | L | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | | | | | | | | | | COM₂ data (7 bytes) |
| Display data 7 | Ĺ | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | Н | | | | | | | | | |
| Status command | L | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Display data write, display on, latch address: COM3 |
| Display data 1 | L | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | | | | | | | | | | COM₃ data (7 bytes) |
| Display data 7 | Ĺ | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | Н | | | | | | | | | |
| Status command | L | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Display data write, display on, latch address: COM4 |
| Display data 1 | L | × | \times | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| | | | | | | | | | | COM₄ data (7 bytes) |
| Display data 7 | Ľ | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | |
| End | Н | | | | | | | | | |

3. Example of key data read

| | D | OTD | | С | om | ma | nd | /da | ta | | Demonika | | |
|---|----------------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|--|--|--|
| | Parameter | STB | b7 | b6 | b5 | b4 | b3 | b2 | b1 | b0 | Remarks | | |
| | KEY REQ check | | | | | | | | | | KEY REQ = H: Key data exists. \rightarrow Start reading. | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | KEY REQ = L: Key data does not exist (reading is inhibited). \rightarrow Check KEY REQ again. | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Start | Н | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Status command | L | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | Data read, display on | | |
| | Wait time | L | | | | | | | | | 1 μs | | |
| | Key data 1 | L | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | 4 bytes | | |
| | Key data 4 | L | × | × | × | × | × | × | × | × |] | | |
| ↓ | End | Н | | | | | | | | | | | |

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS (T_a = 25 °C, Vss = 0 V)

| Parameter | Symbol | Ratings | Unit |
|---|--------------|--------------------------------|------|
| Logic supply voltage | Vdd | -0.3 to +7.0 | V |
| Logic input voltage | VIN | -0.3 to V _{DD} + 0.3 | V |
| Logic output voltage (DATA) | Vout | -0.3 to +7.0 | V |
| LCD drive supply voltage | VLCD | -0.3 to +7.0 | V |
| LCD drive supply input voltage | VLC1 to VLC3 | -0.3 to V _{LCD} + 0.3 | V |
| Driver output voltage (segment, common, LED) | Vout2 | -0.3 to VLCD + 0.3 | V |
| LED output current | lo | +20 | mA |
| Operating ambient temperature | Topt | -40 to +85 | °C |
| Storage temperature | Tstg | -55 to +150 | °C |
| Permissible package power dissipation | Рт | 1 000 | mW |

RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS

| Parameter | Symbol | MIN. | TYP. | MAX. | Unit |
|--------------------------|--------------|------|------|------|------|
| Logic supply voltage | Vdd | 2.7 | 5.0 | 5.5 | V |
| LCD drive supply voltage | VLCD | Vdd | 5.0 | 6.5 | V |
| Logic input voltage | Vin | 0 | | Vdd | V |
| Driver output voltage | VLC1 to VLC3 | 0 | | VLCD | V |

| Parameter | Symbol | | MIN. | TYP. | MAX. | Unit |
|-------------------------------|------------------|---|---------|------|---------|------|
| Input voltage, high | VIH | | 0.7 Vdd | | Vdd | V |
| Input voltage, low | VIL | | 0 | | 0.3 VDD | V |
| Input current, high | Ін | CLK, STB, LCD/LED, OE | | | 1 | μA |
| Input current, low | IIL | CLK, STB, LCD/LED, OE | | | -1 | μA |
| Output voltage, low | Vol1 | LED1 to LED8. IOL1 = 15 mA | | | 1.0 | V |
| Output voltage, high | Vон2 | OSCout, Ioh2 = -1 mA | 0.9 Vdd | | | V |
| Output voltage, low | Vol2 | DATA, OSCOUT, SYNC, IOL2 = 4 mA | | | 0.1 VDD | V |
| Leakage current, high | ILOH2 | DATA, SYNC, VIN OUT = VDD | | | 1 | mA |
| Leakage current, low | ILOL2 | DATA, SYNC, VIN OUT = Vss | | | -1 | mA |
| Common output ON resistance | R _{сом} | COM ₁ to COM ₄ , $ I_0 = 100 \ \mu A$ | | | 2.4 | kΩ |
| Segment output ON resistance | Rseg | SEG ₁ to SEG ₅₆ , $ I_0 = 100 \ \mu A$ | | | 4.0 | kΩ |
| Logic current dissipation | ldd | fosc = 250 kHz | | | 250 | μA |
| LCD drive current consumption | ILCD | With internal bias and no load | | | 500 | μA |

ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS (Unless otherwise specified, Ta = -40 to +85 °C, VDD = VLCD = 5 V \pm 10%)

Remark The TYP. value is a reference value at $T_a = 25$ °C.

SWITCHING CHARACTERISTICS

(Unless otherwise specified, Ta = -40 to +85 °C, Vdd = VLcd = 5 V \pm 10%, RL = 5 k Ω , CL = 150 pF)

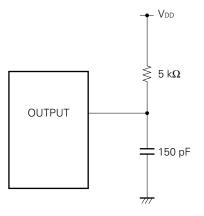
| Parameter | Symbol | Conditions | MIN. | TYP. | MAX. | Unit |
|------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|
| Oscillation frequency | fosc | R = 100 kΩ | 175 | 250 | 325 | kHz |
| Oscillation frequency | fosc | R = 200 kΩ | 105 | 150 | 195 | kHz |
| Propagation delay time | t _{PZL} | $SCK \downarrow \to DATA \downarrow$ | | | 100 | ns |
| Propagation delay time | t PLZ | $SCK \downarrow \to DATA \uparrow$ | | | 300 | ns |
| SYNC delay time | t dsync | | | | 1.5 | μs |

TIMING REQUIREMENTS

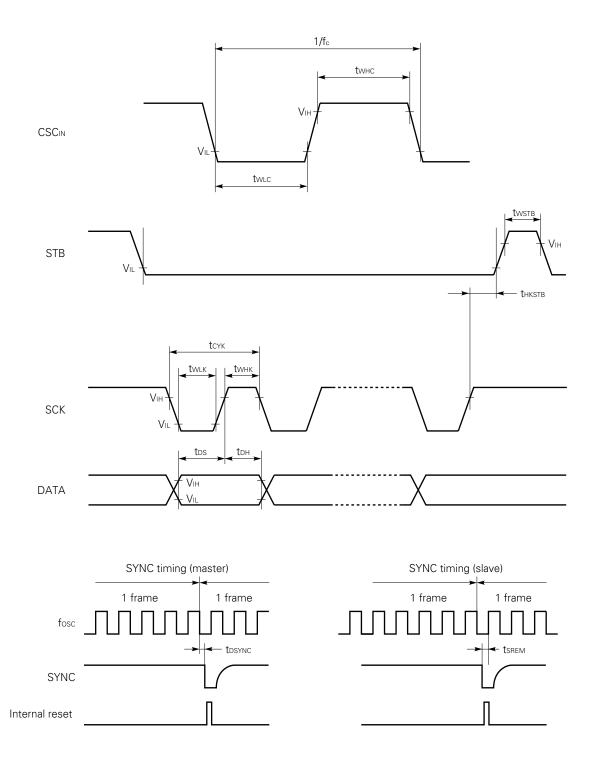
(Unless otherwise specified, Ta = -40 to +85 °C, Vdd = VLcd = 5 V \pm 10%, RL = 5 k Ω , CL = 150 pF)

| Parameter | Symbol | Conditions | MIN. | TYP. | MAX. | Unit |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|
| Clock frequency | fc | OSC _{IN} external clock | 50 | | 325 | kHz |
| High-level clock pulse width | twнc | OSC _{IN} external clock | 1.5 | | 16 | μs |
| Low-level clock pulse width | tw∟c | OSC _{IN} external clock | 1.5 | | 16 | μs |
| Shift clock cycle | tсүк | SCK | 900 | | | ns |
| High-level shift clock pulse width | twнк | SCK | 400 | | | ns |
| Low-level shift clock pulse width | twlк | SCK | 400 | | | ns |
| Shift clock hold time | tнsтвк | $STB \downarrow \to SCK \downarrow$ | 1.5 | | | μs |
| Data setup time | t _{DS} | $DATA \to SCK \uparrow$ | 100 | | | ns |
| Data hold time | t _{DH} | $SCK \uparrow \to DATA$ | 200 | | | ns |
| STB hold time | t dkstb | $SCK \uparrow \to STB \uparrow$ | 1 | | | μs |
| STB pulse width | twsтв | | 1 | | | μs |
| Wait time | twait | $CLK \uparrow \to CLK \downarrow$ | 1 | | | μs |
| SYNC removal time | t srem | | 250 | | | ns |

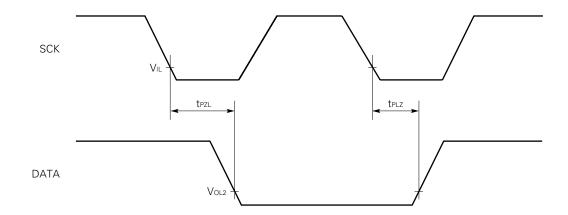
Output Load



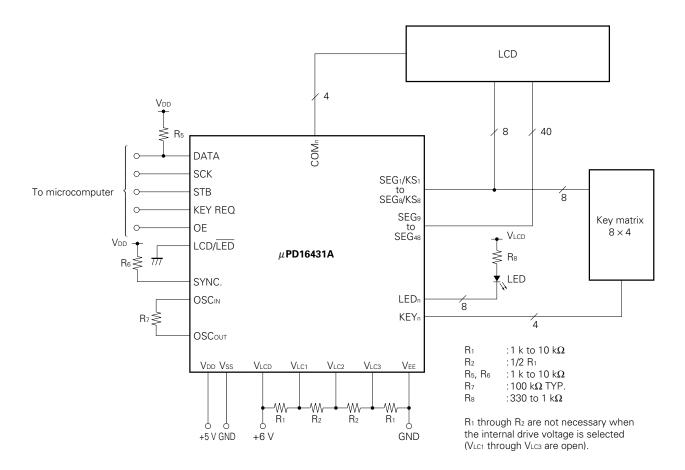
Switching Characteristic Waveform



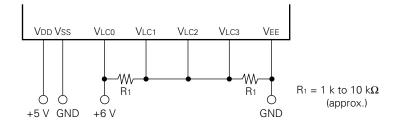
Switching Characteristic Waveform



Application Circuit Example (with LED, 1/4 duty, 1/3 bias)

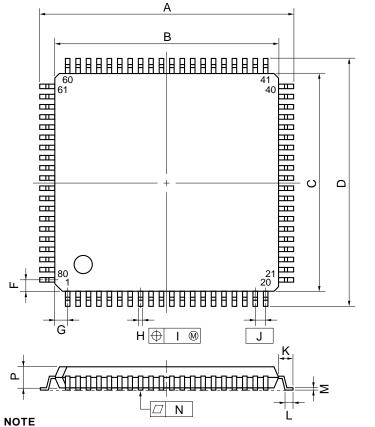


Note Example of external source circuit (when 1/2 bias)

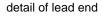


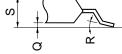
The application circuits and their parameters are for references only and are not intended for use in actual design-in's.

80 PIN PLASTIC LQFP (□14)



Each lead centerline is located within 0.13 mm (0.005 inch) of its true position (T.P.) at maximum material condition.





| ITEM | MILLIMETERS | INCHES | | |
|------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| A | 16.0±0.2 | 0.630±0.008 | | |
| В | 14.0±0.1 | $0.551^{+0.005}_{-0.004}$ | | |
| С | 14.0±0.1 | $0.551^{+0.005}_{-0.004}$ | | |
| D | 16.0±0.2 | 0.630 ± 0.008 | | |
| F | 0.825 | 0.032 | | |
| G | 0.825 | 0.032 | | |
| Н | 0.30±0.10 | $0.012^{+0.004}_{-0.005}$ | | |
| I | 0.13 | 0.005 | | |
| J | 0.65 (T.P.) | 0.026 (T.P.) | | |
| К | 1.0±0.2 | $0.039^{+0.009}_{-0.008}$ | | |
| L | 0.5±0.2 | $0.020^{+0.008}_{-0.009}$ | | |
| М | $0.125 \substack{+0.10 \\ -0.05}$ | $0.005^{+0.004}_{-0.002}$ | | |
| N | 0.10 | 0.004 | | |
| Р | 1.4±0.1 | 0.055 ± 0.004 | | |
| Q | 0.125±0.075 | 0.005±0.003 | | |
| R | 3°+7° -3° | $3^{\circ}^{+7^{\circ}}_{-3^{\circ}}$ | | |
| S | 1.7 MAX. | 0.067 MAX. | | |
| | | S80GC-65-7ET-1 | | |

REFERENCE

| Document Name | Document No. | | |
|---|--------------|--|--|
| NEC Semiconductor Device Reliability/Quality Control System | IEI-1212 | | |
| Quality grade on NEC Semiconductor Devices | IEI-1209 | | |

No part of this document may be copied or reproduced in any form or by any means without the prior written consent of NEC Corporation. NEC Corporation assumes no responsibility for any errors which may appear in this document.

NEC Corporation does not assume any liability for infringement of patents, copyrights or other intellectual property rights of third parties by or arising from use of a device described herein or any other liability arising from use of such device. No license, either express, implied or otherwise, is granted under any patents, copyrights or other intellectual property rights of NEC Corporation or others.

While NEC Corporation has been making continuous effort to enhance the reliability of its semiconductor devices, the possibility of defects cannot be eliminated entirely. To minimize risks of damage or injury to persons or property arising from a defect in an NEC semiconductor device, customer must incorporate sufficient safety measures in its design, such as redundancy, fire-containment, and anti-failure features.

NEC devices are classified into the following three quality grades:

"Standard", "Special", and "Specific". The Specific quality grade applies only to devices developed based on a customer designated "quality assurance program" for a specific application. The recommended applications of a device depend on its quality grade, as indicated below. Customers must check the quality grade of each device before using it in a particular application.

- Standard: Computers, office equipment, communications equipment, test and measurement equipment, audio and visual equipment, home electronic appliances, machine tools, personal electronic equipment and industrial robots
- Special: Transportation equipment (automobiles, trains, ships, etc.), traffic control systems, anti-disaster systems, anti-crime systems, safety equipment and medical equipment (not specifically designed for life support)
- Specific: Aircrafts, aerospace equipment, submersible repeaters, nuclear reactor control systems, life support systems or medical equipment for life support, etc.

The quality grade of NEC devices in "Standard" unless otherwise specified in NEC's Data Sheets or Data Books. If customers intend to use NEC devices for applications other than those specified for Standard quality grade, they should contact NEC Sales Representative in advance.

Anti-radioactive design is not implemented in this product.