## SERIAL LED MODULE



## Actual Size

## Applications

- Digital Instruments
- Alarms
- Machine controls
- Operator Displays
- Vending machines
- Parts counters
- Test instruments
- Controllers


## Features

- Same size as industry-standard $16 \times 2$ LCD modules
- Similar interface to serial LCD modules, only one port pin required
- Bright, attractive 4 digit 0.56 " high display, with decimal points
- Super-efficient RE leds used to reduce current consumption to less than a typical backlit LCD
- Accurate clock for stable RS-232 communication over time and over the full operating temperature range
- Professional qulity conservative design and manufacturing
- Serial ASCII, hex bitmap, and hex binary modes
- Requires no refresh overhead
- Fast multiplexing reduces display breakup in applications with vibration
- Highly visible in low-light conditions, as well as normal viewing environment


## Specifications

Supply voltage:
$5 \mathrm{~V}+/-5 \%$
Current: $\quad 35 \mathrm{~mA}$ typical, 80 mA max (display on)
10 mA typical (display off)
Operating temperature:
$-10 \sim 60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Dimensions:
$80 \mathrm{~mm} \times 36 \mathrm{~mm} \times 20 \mathrm{~mm}+/-2\left(3.2^{\prime \prime} \times 1.4 \times 0.8^{\prime \prime}+/-0.08\right)$
Mounting holes: $\quad 75 \mathrm{~mm} \times 31 \mathrm{~mm}$, centered, four holes 2.5 mm diameter.

| Digit size: | $14 \mathrm{~mm}(0.56 ")$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Color: | 660nm (Red) standard, GaAlAs ultra high efficiency <br> 565nm (Green) available upon request (current requirements <br> will be higher) |
| Interface: | RS-232 2-wire interface, 9600 baud (factory setting) or <br> 2400 baud. ( 9600 N 81 or 2400 N 81$)$ <br> (no parity, 8 bits, one stop bit) I2C available upon request. <br> Accepts TTL levels or RS-232 levels. |
| Processor: | 8 bit with 4 K of memory running at 3.6864 MHz |

## Switch settings

DIPSW1
ON $=9600$ baud ( 9600 N 81 ) factory setting $\mathrm{OFF}=2400$ baud ( 2400 N 81 )

DIPSW2
unused
DIPSW3
unused Pin 4 on module connector, Low if ON, High if OFF
DIPSW4
unused Pin 8 on module connector, Low if ON, High if OFF

## Module Connections (from back)

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { N.C. } \\ & \mathbf{2} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { D-SW3 } \\ \mathbf{4} \end{gathered}$ | Sout 6 | $\begin{gathered} \text { D-SW4 } \\ \mathbf{8} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { N.C. } \\ 10 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| O | O | O | O | O |
| O | O | O | O | O |
| 1 | 3 | 5 | 7 | 9 |
| $+5 \mathrm{~V}$ | 0V | Serin | 0 V | $+5 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| 1 | $+5 \mathrm{~V}+/-5 \%$ supply |  |  |  |
| 2 | N.C. (no connection) |  |  |  |
| 3 | 0V supply |  |  |  |
| 4 | Dipswitch 3 (low = on, high = off) |  |  |  |
| 5 | Serial input RS-232 |  |  |  |
| 6 | Serial output (do not connect) |  |  |  |
| 7 | 0V supply |  |  |  |
| 8 | Dipswitch 4 (low $=$ on, high $=$ off $)$ |  |  |  |
| 9 | $+5 \mathrm{~V}+/-5 \%$ supply |  |  |  |
| 10 | N.C. (no connection). |  |  |  |

For short cable runs of $6^{\prime \prime}$ or less, you may use either of the pair of power supply connections, for longer runs of light-gauge ribbon cable, it is preferable to parallel the two 5 V and 0 V connections. A standard 10conductor ribbon cable with IDC connectors may be used to run connections to the module.

Note: As with any semiconductor device, applying in excess of 6 VDC , reversing supply voltage or applying normal supply voltage to non-power supply pins will likely severely damage the module. Such damage is not covered under warranty.

## PC Port Connections (9-pin)

1 Jumper to 4 and 6 on 9-pin connector (only)
2 N.C.
3 Connect to module Serial input (MODULE PIN5)
$4 \quad$ Jumper to 1 and 6 on 9-pin connector (only)
5 Connect to ground (MODULE PIN 3 and/or MODULE PIN 7)
6 Jumper 1 and 4 on 9-pin connector (only)
7 Jumper to 8
$8 \quad$ Jumper to 7
9 N.C.

If pins $7 \& 8$, and $1 \& 4 \& 6$ are not jumpered, some software will not operate correctly. The terminal program from Windows 3.11 (terminal.exe) is an excellent program for checking out the module.

## SLED Module Commands

| HEX | DECIMAL | CTRL CHAR | FUNCTION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 00 | 0 | ^@ | No operation |
| 01 | 1 | $\wedge$ A | Cursor home (to left) |
| 02 | 2 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{B}$ | Bitmap: Following 8 hex characters are bitmap |
| 04 | 4 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{D}$ | Hide cursor (power-on default) |
| 05 | 5 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{E}$ | Flash digit where cursor is (to off) |
| 06 | 6 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{F}$ | Ex-or flash digit where cursor is (invert) |
| 08 | 8 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{H}$ | Backspace (erase character) |
| 0C | 12 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{L}$ | Linefeed (erase display, home cursor to left) |
| 0D | 13 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{M}$ | Carriage return (cursor home to left) |
| 0E | 14 | $\wedge \mathrm{N}$ | Display ON (power-on default) |
| 0F | 15 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{O}$ | Display OFF |
| 10 | 16 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{P}$ | Position Curso : Following hex character |
| 11 | 17 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{Q}$ | Binary: following 5 hex characters are binary number and decimal point position |
| 12 | 18 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{R}$ | Display flash ON |
| 13 | 19 | ${ }^{\wedge} \mathrm{S}$ | Display flash OFF (power-on default) |

## Sending ASCII data:

The SLED module contains a lookup table that has patterns that attempt to simulate all printable ASCII characters on the 7-segment display. A judicious choice of letters can yield a useful display, for example, "Err3" displays quite readably. Some letters such as Q, W and K have no good way of displaying them.
Example: Ctrl-L1234 will display 1234 on the display
Ctrl-L3.141 will display 3.141 on the display
Ctrl-LEnd will display End on the display
Positioning the cursor:
The cursor starts out at power up at the left of the display. If you send one ASCII character, it will be displayed in the left-most character. To position the cursor within the ASCII buffer, send a Ctrl-Px, where x is number from 0 to 8 , with 0 being the left-most character in the buffer.

Example: Ctrl-P09999 will display 9999 on the display
Ctrl-P10 will display 9099 on the display, without erasing it first

## Sending bitmap data:

The bitmap data is from the left-most character to the right, in hex digits. You can consider them grouped in pairs as bytes, one byte for each character on the display. The segments from A to $G$ (clockwise from the top segment, ending at the middle) and the decimal point are assigned to bits 0 to 7 respectively.
This is the most flexible way of sending data to the display, any combination of LEDs can be lit. The data is buffered before being sent to the display, and is updated all at once, when the final (valid) character has been received. If an invalid character is received, it will revert to displaying ASCII characters.

Example: Ctrl-B00000000 will blank the display
Ctrl-BFFFFFFF will turn on all segments and decimal points
Ctrl-B006FEF6F will display 99.9
Ctrl-B00000006 will display 1

## Sending binary number data:

This mode is provided as a convenience to allow devices to avoid using printf() or similar commands to convert to ASCII. Instead a binary number may be sent directly to the SLE module in hex and the module will display it, with a fixed decimal point position, if desired. The number is sent with the decimal point position first ( $0=$ far right, $3=$ far left, $4=$ off ), followed by 4 hex digits that represent a signed 16 -bit integer. Numbers that are larger than 9999 or smaller than -999 cannot be displayed, and the display will show EEEE.

Example: Ctrl-Q40000 will display 0 in the display (leading zeros are blanked)
Ctrl-Q30000 will display 0.000 in the display
Ctrl-Q4FFFF will display $\quad-1$ in the display
Ctrl-Q1270F will display 999.9 in the display
Ctrl-Q1271F will display EEE.E in the display
Ctrl-Q4FC19 will display -999 in the display


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