

The MONITOR Model 8050 is a function generator for computer graphics applications. It generates vectors, circles, and arcs for a CRT display. The modular design permits the selection of a number of functions to meet the exact requirements of your graphics system.

## DESIGN FEATURES

- Well Defined Interfaces
- Asynchronous operation—writing time is a function of the graphic element being drawn
- Constant intensity vectors
- Circle intensity compensation
- High resolution arcs
- 4 lines structures available
- Built-in expandability

## SPECIFICATIONS

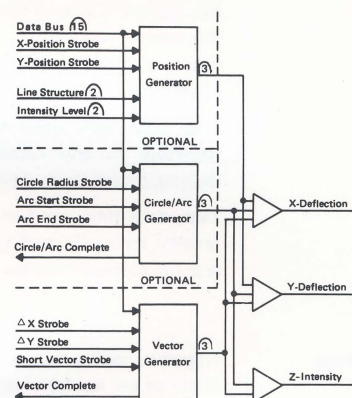
All digital input and output signal levels and impedances are compatible with conventional TTL integrated-circuit logic. All strobe pulses and "complete" signals are nominally 500 nanoseconds wide.

### Inputs

(a) Data Bus (8)  
(Standard)

15 bit parallel word. Lines are high when true. Word contains the x and y position, circle radius, arc starting position, arc ending position, vector x and y projections, or both the x and y projection of a short vector. Routed into appropriate generator by 1 of 8 strobes.

## MODEL 8050 FUNCTION GENERATOR FOR GRAPHIC DISPLAY SYSTEMS



## FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

Data from an external source is applied to the input of a position generator, circle/arc generator and a vector generator. The data will be accepted by the appropriate generator by the activation of 1 of 8 strobes. Upon completion of the graphic function, a circle/arc or vector complete signal is sent back to the external source. The three generators develop the deflection signals necessary to position the beam of a cathode-ray tube and to cause a vector, arc or circle to be drawn. Additional outputs from the vector and circle/arc generator are summed and applied to the intensity input of the CRT.

(b) X Position Strobe  
(Option P)

Negative going pulse used to enter x position coordinate into D/A converter. Zero x coordinate is located at the left of the CRT.

(c) Y Position Strobe  
(Option P)

Negative going pulse used to enter y position coordinate into D/A converter. Zero y coordinate is located at the top of the CRT.

## SPECIFICATIONS (cont.)

- (d) **Circle Radius Strobe (Option C)** Negative going pulse used to enter circle radius information into circle generator.
- (e) **Arc Start Strobe (Option CA)** Negative going pulse used to enter arc starting location into arc generator. Zero degree position of arc is defined along the minus x axis. Circle can be considered to be composed of 1024 arc segments.
- (f) **Arc End Strobe (Option CA)** Negative going pulse used to enter arc ending location into arc generator.
- (g)  **$\Delta x$  Strobe (Standard)** Negative going pulse used to enter signed  $\Delta x$  data into vector generator. Minus  $\Delta x$  causes the vector to be drawn toward the lefthand edge of the CRT. Plus  $\Delta x$  causes the vector to be drawn toward the righthand edge of the CRT.
- (h)  **$\Delta y$  Strobe (Standard)** Negative going pulse used to enter signed  $\Delta y$  data into the vector generator. Minus  $\Delta y$  causes the vector to be drawn toward the bottom of the CRT. Plus  $\Delta y$  causes the vector to be drawn toward the top of the CRT.
- (i) **Short Vector Strobe (Standard)** Negative going pulse used to enter both the signed  $\Delta x$  and signed  $\Delta y$  data into the vector generator. Short vector resolution is limited to  $\pm 6$  bits ( $\pm 64$  raster elements).
- (j) **Line Structure (Option PL)** Two data lines used to define the line structure of any vector. Solid, dotted, dashed, or dot-dashed lines may be drawn.
- (k) **Intensity Level (Option P)** Two data lines used to define 1 of 4 intensity levels (including blank) at which graphic element will be drawn.

### Outputs

- (a) **Circle/Arc Complete** Negative going pulse indicating that circle or arc has been drawn.
- (b) **Vector Complete** Negative going pulse indicating that vector has been drawn.
- (c) **X-Deflection**  $\pm 3$  volts into a 75 ohm load
- (d) **Y-Deflection**  $\pm 3$  volts into a 75 ohm load
- (e) **Intensity** Standard unit provides a TTL output level. One of four optional analog voltage levels may be selected.

### Vector Generator Characteristics

- (a) **Writing Rate** 5 microseconds plus 5 microseconds per inch.
- (b) **Linearity**  $\pm 1\%$  of full scale
- (c) **Resolution** 10 bits plus sign for both the x and y components.
- (d) **Delay** Less than 100 nanoseconds delay between x or y and intensity output.
- (e) **Intensity Rise & Fall Time** Less than 50 nanoseconds.

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### Circle/Arc Generator Characteristics

- (a) **Writing Rate** All circles require 300 microseconds. Arcs require 300-400 microseconds depending on starting and ending coordinates. Intensity signal is unblanked for the last 75 microseconds of the total drawing time.
- (b) **Linearity**  $\pm 1\%$  of full scale.
- (c) **Resolution** 10 bits each for radius, arc starting coordinate and arc ending coordinate.
- (d) **Phase Shift** Phase shift between the x and y deflection signals is less than 1 degree.
- (e) **Intensity Compensation** All circles larger than one inch in diameter have their intensity output signal level compensated as a function of the circle radius.
- (f) **Direction** Circle is drawn clockwise with its starting location positioned along the minus x axis.

### Position Generator Characteristics

- (a) **Positioning Linearity**  $\pm 0.2\%$  of full scale
- (b) **Resolution** 10 bits each in x and y

### Power Requirements

- (a) **Input Power** 115v  $\pm 10\%$ , 60 Hz  $\pm 5\%$ , single phase @ 1A (total for all options)

### Mechanical Configuration

- (a) **Size** 19" W x 5-7/32"H x 20-7/8"D  
**Total for 8050 with circle and arc options**
- 19" W x 5-7/32"H x 26-1/2"D  
**Total for 8050 and circle, arc, and position options.**
- (b) **Weight** 65 lbs. or 86 lbs. depending upon options.

### Environment

- (a) **Temperature** 50°F to 100°F
- (b) **Relative Humidity** to 95% without condensation. Other ranges available on special order.

### Ordering

8050 is the designation for the basic model vector generator. These options are available:

- C — Circle Generator
- A — Arc Generator
- P — Position Generator
- L — Line Structure (Dash, Dot, Dash-Dot)

When ordering, add option codes to basic model number. For example, 8050CP for function generator with Vector, Circle and Position generators.

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