## Multipurpose Interface Board 238 (MIB238)

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## Multipurpose Interface Board 238 (MIB238)

#### Installation and Operating Instructions

The MIB238 board is a redesign of the Micro Innovations MIB3 board that only requires 5 volts using modern MAX238 transceivers. The MIB238, like the MIB3, adds a BOOT PROM socket, two RS-232 ports, a parallel port, and a memory expansion board addressor port to your ADAM computer.

This document contains all the information you will need to get the MIB238 up and running. It's as simple as plugging it in and booting the supplied software. The detailed instructions contained herein will take you through the installation and checkout process.

We know you are anxious to get started. But first please read all the way through the instructions so you'll be somewhat familiar with the process before you actually start the installation.

## A WORD OF WARNING ABOUT STATIC ELECTRICITY!

Before you get started, just a word of warning about static electricity. The integrated circuit chips on the MIB238 can be destroyed by static charges. If you notice that you get shocks when you touch metal appliances after walking around the room, then you should take precautions to prevent static discharges when handling it. There are a couple of common precautions you can take if you suspect static electricity is a problem in your installation environment.

One precaution you can take is to discharge yourself each time before you touch the MIB238. You can do this by performing your installation near an appliance you can

touch to discharge the static electricity just prior to handling it. Another way is to connect a wire to a water pipe or the metal frame of a grounded appliance (like a refrigerator). AC power outlets in modern homes and businesses also can be a grounded source (you can pick up the ground from the screw that holds the cover plate onto the receptacle). Wrap the other end of this wire around your wrist or a finger. Make sure you are using the frame of a grounded appliance.

By the way, the MIB238 chips are not particularly sensitive to static electricity, but like all normal 74LS series integrated circuits, they can be destroyed if hit with a big enough discharge.

#### **INSTALLATION**

As mentioned earlier, the MIB238 has two RS-232 ports, a parallel port, and a memory expander board addressor port on it. Which cables you'll install will depend on how many MIB238 compatible devices you have. The following steps will take you through the installation process for all the MIB238 cables. If you do not have a particular device to connect to the MIB238 please disregard the installation instructions for that cable.

#### Parallel Printer Cable

Let's start with the parallel printer cable. This cable has a 26-pin socket connector on one end and a 36-pin Centronics connector on the other. The socket connector plugs in to MIB238 connector J5. Use the MIB238 layout drawing included as Figure 1 to locate its position. It is recommended you key the connector so that it plugs in to J5 in only one orientation (See Appendix B Parallel Cable Construction). The board connector J5 is labelled "Printer". Gently push the socket onto J5. For now, leave the other end unconnected. If you have too

many pieces of equipment connected at first, you may have difficulty making the cables reach as you are installing the MIB238 into your computer.

#### **Boot Prom**

If you have a BOOT PROM for the MIB238 you should install it now. The PROM goes into the socket IC4 with its

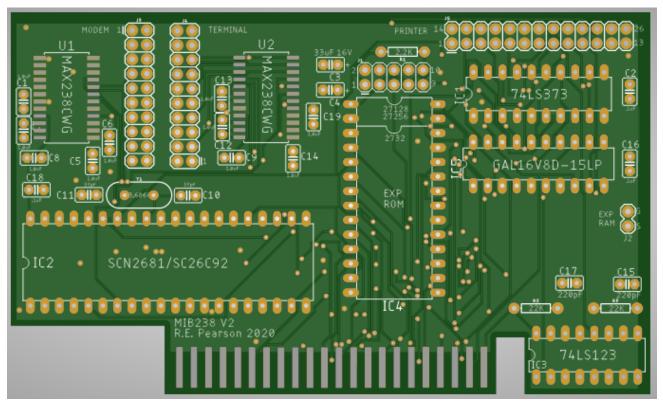


Figure 1 MIB238 Layout

#### Serial Port Cables

Now for the Serial ports. Locate the cable(s) with a 20-pin socket connector on one end and a DB-25 male connector on the other. Now locate the serial connectors J3 and J4 on the circuit board. Connector J3 is for an external modem and J4 is for an 80 column CRT terminal. Align the 20-pin socket connector with the pins on J3 or J4

and push it on to the header in one orientation. As before, leave the other ends of both cables unconnected for now. Again, it is recommended you use keyed cables so you can only plug the cable in to the connector in one orientation (See Appendix A Serial Cable Construction).

notch facing the top of the board and its other end flush with the bottom end of the socket. An IDE BOOT PROM should have two empty socket positions at the top on each side of the socket when installed correctly. Now place shorting jumpers on the 10-pin connector (labelled J1) according to the type of PROM installed. The following table will help you make those choices:

	J1 Jumpers
1-2	Disables Printer port
3-4	2764 or 27128 PROM
5-6	27256 PROM
7-8	2732 PROM (use this selection
	for a 4K IDE BOOT PROM)
9-10	27128 or 27256 PROM

Okay, we are ready to plug the MIB238 into the computer! Pick up the MIB238 with its dangling cables and take it to the computer. Note that the board is keyed to ONLY fit into slot #2, the center slot, and ONLY with the components facing towards the right side of the computer. (However, it is possible to insert the board backwards if you have the upper case removed or have cut out your plastic keying barriers.) Note that when the board is installed properly, the cables must be wrapped back over the top of the board to have them exit the computer on the left side.

If you have a board in the center slot, it will have to be removed. If you do have a board in slot #2, the center slot, it is most likely a parallel printer interface or memory addressor board. The MIB238 will replace all the functions of the board you have to remove, so don't worry that you will lose your printer port or memory expansion board addressing capability. You can take the removed board and sell it to someone who does not have a MIB238!

#### Expansion RAM Addressor

If you have a memory expander board installed in slot #3 (the right slot), you'll have one or two wires running from it to the board you are removing. The MIB238 provides the same signal (and its return wire – a ground connection) to your memory expander board, so detach the wire(s) at the printer board end.

Locate connector J2 (labelled 'EXP RAM') on the MIB238 (see Figure 1 to locate it). It consists of two pins – pin 'S' is for the bank switch signal to the memory board and pin 'G' is for a ground line. If you experience erratic operation of your memory board, you'll have to use both pins and twisted wire between the boards. Twisted wire will reduce the amount of noise that the signal wire will pick up. If you're using a single wire from the memory expansion board,

connect it to J2 pin 'S'. The most common color codes for the wires are red or white for the signal wire and black for the ground wire.

Connect the memory board wire (if needed) to the MIB238 and insert it into the center expansion slot. Make sure that the MIB238 sits straight up in the center slot (the cables can pull the MIB238 so adjust their tension so that the board sits up straight in the slot). The top cover can be put back in place but won't close all the way unless you cut a narrow slot to allow the cables to exit.

#### **POWFRING UP**

Turn on your ADAM with no disks or tapes in your drives. SmartWriter should launch as usual. If it does, skip the next paragraph. If you have a hard disk BOOT PROM installed, you'll see the Micro Innovations splash screen, followed by the SmartWriter screen (with the hard disk interface board out of the ADAM).

If SmartWriter does not start up, turn of the power and remove the MIB238. Try it again with the MIB238 removed. If SmartWriter comes up fine without the MIB238 installed, it is likely that your MIB238 is defective. Incorrect construction of the MIB238 or static electricity are two possibilities.

#### **BOOTING UP**

Insert the distribution diskette or tape into the appropriate disk or tape drive. Pull the computer reset switch. TDOS 4.5 will boot up and sign on. You can what programs are provided on the distribution disk or tape by typing "DIR" and hitting the RETURN key. The exact collection of files on the distribution media may var but should include at least the following:

40MIB458.COM	40 column TDOS
	Install program

80MIB458.COM	80 column TDOS
OLONEO4 COM	Install program
CLONE21.COM	The utility program
	used to copy an IMG
	file from a TDOS
	media to an EOS
	media
DRIVES12.COM	Used to identify all
	disk and tape drives
	attached to your
1001/001/001/	ADAM
IOBYTE12.COM	Utility to set the
	TDOS IOBYTE
BASPATCH.IMG	Utility to patch the
	MIB238 parallel port
	driver into EOS and
	boot SmartBasic
PARPATCH.BAS	Utility to patch the
	MIB238 paralley port
	driver into EOS
IMP-MIB3.COM	The IMP
	communication
	program patched for
	the MIB238
MEX-MIB3.COM	The MEX
	communication
	program patched for
	the MIB238
UNCR.COM	File un-Crunch utility
	to expand
	compressed MIB238
	documentation files to
1457/1155	normal text
MEX.HZP	Crunched MEX help
	file
IMP.DZC	Crunched IMP
	documentation file

#### INSTALLING AN OPERATING SYSTEM

The MIB238 distribution tape or disk comes with the TDOS operating system installed. To boot it, you need only to hit the RESET switch with the distribution media installed. If you wish to reconfigure your system, you must select the version you want to install (the 40 column for the ADAM screen or the 80 column for an external terminal) and execute the appropriate

TDOS install program by typing its file name (without the extension) – 40MIB458 Or 80MIB458. The install program will prompt you for the information about your system, configure TDOS for you, and then install it on a boot diskette or tape. Hitting the RESET switch will then cause TDOS to be booted.

#### **INSTALLING TDOS**

If you want to reinstall TDOS, you must first choose which version you need. Choose 80MIB458 If you have an external terminal or an 80-column add-on unit, or 40MIB458 To use the ADAM monitor. Execute the appropriate version by typing its name and hit the RETURN key. For example, if the names of the TDOS install programs provided on the distribution media are 40MIB45L.COM and 80MIB45L.COM, then type its full name, 40MIB45L or 80MIB45L, followed by the RETURN key to execute the appropriate version.

When the TDOS install program signs on, the TDOS release number will be shown on the top line. The first screen asks you specify which ADAM disk or tape drive to write the operating system to. It checks immediately after your selection to see if the device exists on your system. If it doesn't, it gives you an error message and lets you try again. You can get out of the installation program at any prompt by typing a CONTROL-C (that is holding down the CONTROL key and hitting the 'C' key).

The following tells you what your TDOS drive assignments are. TDOS assigns the drive letters to all the devices it finds when it is installed. It always assigns the drive letters starting with the fastest first (you may choose to have your RAM disk first or last, however). For example, if you have a single disk drive and two tape drives (no memory expander), the disk drive will be drive A and the tape drives will be B and C.

The next screens ask you to specify the size of the floppy disk drives – one screen for each drive. The choices are:

- 1 145K Standard Coleco single-sided 40 track format
- 2 254K Medium sized double-sided 40 track format
- 3 304K Full-sized double-sided 40 track format
- 4 356K IBM-sized double-sided 40 track format
- 5 702K Quad density 80 track format
- 6 714K Quad density 80 track format
- 7 1418K High Density 80 track format

Formats 1 through 4 are used for 5 ½" floppy diskettes and formats 5, 6, and 7 for 3.5" diskettes. The exact selection of formats available for your system will depend on the equipment you have. Not all of the alternatives are valid – for example, you can't have a 714K format on a 5 ½" floppy disk drive. Some formats may require a special EPROM in your ADAM floppy drive for it to be functional. All formats except the 356K, 714K, and 1.4MB formats are compatible with existing ADAM formats.

The DSKSZ??? program will let you temporarily change your ADAM floppy disk drive definitions so that you can keep your permanent format different than one you might use only for information interchange. To permanently change to a different format, you must re-install TDOS.

After selecting floppy disk formats, the next two screens ask if you'd like to change parameters on the MIB3 serial ports. Serial Port 1 (J3) is wired for direct connection for an external modem and is setup for a default of 2400 baud, no parity, 8 data bits, and one stop bit. You can exit the screen without changing any of the parameters (by hitting a '0'), or you can choose to change any of the parameters if you desire (a '1' to change baud rate, a '2' to change parity, a

'3' to change the number of data bits, or a '4' to change number of stop bits). The default settings are normal for a 2440 baud external modem. After exiting the screen, you are asked the same questions about Serial Port 2 (J4), which is wired for direct connection of an external CRT terminal or a serial interface printer. Its defaults are 19200 baud, no parity, 8 data bits, and 1 stop bit – normally the highest speed an external terminal can run.

You are next asked if you would like to change the IOBYTE assignments. CP/M and TDOS use the IOBYTE to know which physical devices to use for each of their five logical devices. The five logical devices are CON: (the system console output), KEY: (the system console keyboard input), RDR: (the reader), PUN: (the punch), and LST: (the system printer).

The reader and punch device names are left over from the days when a paper tape reader or a paper tape punch were common microcomputer peripheral devices. Each of the logical devices can be assigned to any of it's five physical devices, and the physical devices to be selected from can be different from logical device to logical device. The valid assignments for logical devices are shown in the table below:

Logical	Permitted Physical Device					
Device	Assignments					
CON:	CRT:	CRT: SR1: SR2: UC1:				
KEY:	KYB:	SR1:	SR2:	UK1:		
RDR:		SR1:	SR2:			
PUN:		SR1:	SR2:			
LST:	LP1:	SR1:	SR2:	PAR:		

Definitions for the physical devices are as follows:

For Logical Device CON:, the system console

CRT: ADAM 40 column display SR1: MIB238 Serial Port #1 Out

SR2: MIB238 Serial Port #2 Out UC1: 80 column terminal output

NOTE – on the 80-column version of TDOS, physical device CRT: is the ADAM Serial Port.

For logical device KEY:, the keyboard

KYB: ADAM keyboard

SR1: MIB238 Serial Port #1 input SR2: MIB238 Serial Port #2 input UC1: 80 column terminal input

For logical device RDR:, the reader SR1: MIB238 Serial Port #1 input SR2: MIB238 Serial Port #2 input

For logical device PUN:, the punch SR1: MIB238 Serial Port #1 output SR2: MIB238 Serial Port #2 output

For logical device LST:, the printer

LPT: The ADAM printer

SR1: MIB238 Serial Port #1 output SR2: MIB238 Serial Port #2 output UL1: MIB238 Parallel Printer Port

Note that is possible during the installation process to define where you want your printer output to go and what device you want to use for the system console. The reader and punch logical devices are not used by many programs. About the only way we know of is the PIP (Peripheral Interchange Program) program supplied with CP/M. You can use PIP to copy files in and out the assigned physical devices (for example – between computers) but no error checking protocol is used. You will be much better of to use one of the modem programs. Two are provided on the distribution media already patched for the MIB238 serial ports. All of the modem programs are designed to talk directly to the physical devices and purposely bypass the reader and punch logical devices.

The default IOBYTE assignments are:

CON: CRT: (the ADAM display)
KEY: KBD: (the ADAM keyboard)
RDR: SR1: (MIB238 serial port #1 in)
PUN: SR2: (MIB238 serial port #1 out)
LST: UL1: (MIB238 parallel printer port)

# NOTE – The default system console (CON:) for the 80-column version is the ADAM Serial Port.

After you've selected your IOBYTE assignments or chosen not to change them, the installation program asks if you'd like to change the function key definitions. This is a rather long and technical operation so if you're even marginally satisfied with the function key translations, avoid this part of the process. By the way, the default function key definitions match normal Wordstar definitions.

The next screen asks if you would like to change the SMART key strings. These are the character strings that are sent to the operating system whenever you hit a SMART key. The default settings are:

- I COPY
- II REN (to rename a file)
- III DEL (to delete a file)
- IV LIST (to print a file)
- V TYPE (to display a file on the console
- VI DIR (to display a directory listing on the console)

The last screen asks you to insert a tape or disk for the boot block to be written on. After you hit the RETURN key, the installation program writes the operating system to the diskette or tape. TDOS installation is now complete.

**NOTE:** The 80-column version asks three additional questions before it prompts you to insert a tape or disk. It asks you if you are using an ADAM keyboard for the console, if

you want the SMART key definitions displayed on line 25 of your 80 column display (the display must have a command set compatible with the Heathkit H-19 or Zenith Z-19 terminal, which is what the ADAM uses) and whether or not ADAM Serial Port 2 is configured for an EVE 80 column display.

#### **INSTALLING EOS PATCHES**

Two patch programs (PARPATCH.IMG and BASPATCH.IMG) are provided with the MIB238 to allow its parallel printer port to operate with EOS. To utilize either of them, you must copy them to tape or disk using the CLONE21.COM program. The CLONE program is executed by typing:

#### "CLONE21 PROGNAME.IMG X:"

and hitting the RETURN key. The X: portion of the command line is the letter of the floppy or tape drive you are copying to.

NOTE: TDOS assigns the drive letters in order to all storage devices it finds when it is installed. It always assigns the drive letters starting with the fastest drives first (you may choose to have your RAM disk first or last, however). If you have a single Disk drive and two tape drives (no memory expander), the disk drive will be drive A and the tape drives will be B and C.

Let's run through an example of "clone"ing with the BASPATCH.IMG program. The program is supplied on the MIB238 Distribution Diskette and therefore resides on a TDOS media. To be able to use it, we must clone it to a newly formatted EOS media (disk or tape). We'll assume that you have one disk drive. Therefore, you'll have to clone it to a tape. Knowing that you have at least one tape drive, we'll assume that you have you're newly formatted tape in tape drive #1. Since Disk #1 is drive A, and you don't have a second disk drive, Tape #1 will be drive B. The command you'll enter to clone the program is:

#### CLONE21 BASPATCH.IMG B: <RETURN>

To utilize the BASPATCH program, you must copy SmartBasic onto the EOS media that BASPATCH was cloned to (using a file copy program, such as AJM Software's File Manager), and pull the RESET switch. The BASPATCH program will boot and patch EOS for the parallel printer port on the MIB238. It will then load and execute SmartBasic. You can now print onto a dot matrix printer attached to the MIB238 parallel printer port.

The process is the same to clone the PARPATCH program.

#### MIB238 Serial Port Information

This section describes the register addresses and pin assignments for the MIB238's Serial ports, connectors J3 and J4. Both serial ports are provided by a single integrated circuit, a Signetics 2681, which the manufacturer calls a DUART (DUal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter). The combined driver/receiver chips used are Maxim MAX238s. All of the other currently available ADAM serial port products utilize the Sygnetics 2651, which is a single serial port IC. The register addresses and bit assignments within the registers are different between the 2651 and 2681. Therefore, software written for the 2651 will not function with 2681 without modification. Provided are patched version of IMP and MEX communications programs so the user will not have to modify those programs. In addition, ADAMlink 5 and other communication programs will work with the MIB238.

However, for those users who wish to utilize some other communication package or would like to talk directly to the ports from programs they have written, the I/O address information is given below. All addresses are in hexadecimal. Bit assignments within registers are in accordance with the 1983 Signetics MOS Microprocessor Data Manual.

```
;SIGNETICS 2681 DUART I/O PORT EQUATES
;NOTE: Port A is Serial Port 2, Port B is Serial Port 1
;
S2681
           EQU
                 10H
                            ;S2681 DUART BASE ADDRESS
MRA
           EQU
                 S2681
                            ; MODE REGISTERS 1A AND 2A
SRA
           EQU
                 S2681+1
                            ;STATUS REGISTER A
CSRA
           EOU
                 S2681+1
                            ;CLOCK SELECT REGISTER A
CRA
           EQU
                 S2681+2
                            ; COMMAND REGISTER A
                 S2681+3
           EQU
                            ; RX HOLDING REGISTER A (RX
                                                          DATA)
RHRA
                 S2681+3
THRA
           EQU
                            ; TX HOLDING REGISTER A (TX DATA)
IPCR
           EQU
                 S2681+4
                            ; INPUT PORT CHANGE REGISTER
ACR
           EQU
                 S2681+4
                            ; AUXILLIARY CONTROL REGISTER
                 S2681+5
                            ; INTERRUPT STATUS REGISTER
ISR
           EQU
IMR
           EQU
                 S2681+5
                            ; INTERRUPT MASK REGISTER
                 S2681+6
CTU
           EQU
                            ; COUNTER/TIMER UPPER
                 S2681+6
                            ; COUNTER/TIMER UPPER REGISTER
CTUR
           EQU
CTL
           EQU
                 S2681+7
                            ; COUNTER/TIMER LOWER
CTLR
           EOU
                 S2681+7
                            ; COUNTER/TIMER LOWER REGISTER
MRB
           EQU
                 S2681+8
                            ; MODE REGISTERS 1B AND 2B
                 S2681+9
SRB
           EQU
                            ;STATUS REGISTER B
                 S2681+9
CSRB
           EQU
                            ; CLOCK SELECT REGISTER B
CRB
           EQU
                 S2681+10
                            ; COMMAND REGISTER B
RHRB
           EQU
                 S2681+11
                            ; RX HOLDING REGISTER B (RX DATA)
THRB
           EQU
                 S2681+11
                            ;TX HOLDING REGISTER B (TX DATA)
ΙP
           EQU
                 S2681+13
                            ; INPUT PORT
OPCR
           EQU
                 S2681+13
                            ;OUTPUT PORT CONFIGURATION REGISTER
                 S2681+14
                            ;START COUNTER COMMAND PORT (READ)
STARTC
           EQU
SOPB
           EQU
                 S2681+14
                            ; SET OUTPUT PORT BITS COMMAND PORT
STOPC
           EQU
                 S2681+15
                            ;STOP COUNTER COMMAND PORT (READ)
ROPB
                            ; RESET OUTPUT PORT BITS CMD PORT
           EQU
                 S2681+15
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## Detailed Coleco ADAM Computer MIB238 I/O Address Map

Port				
#	Device	Input	Output	Comments
	MIB238 RESET			
1	line	* Not Used on MIB238 *	Bit 3 = 1 for MIB238 RESET	
				1st write is to
				MR1A, second
				write is to
				MR2A,requires
	MIB238 Serial			reset to go back
10	ports	Mode Register A	Mode Register A	to MR1A
	MIB238 Serial			BAUD RATE
11	ports	Status Register A	Clock Select Reg A	SELECT
	MIB238 Serial			
12	ports	* DO NOT USE *	Command Register A	
	MIB238 Serial			
13	ports	RX Holding Register A	TX Holding Reg A	
	MIB238 Serial			
14	ports	Input Port Change Reg	Aux Control Register	
	MIB238 Serial			
15	ports	Interrupt Status Reg	Interrupt Mask Reg	
	MIB238 Serial			
16	ports	Read Counter Upper	Set C/T Upper Register	
	MIB238 Serial			
17	ports	Read Counter Lower	Set C/T Lower Register	
	MIB238 Serial			
18	ports	Mode Register B	Mode Register B	
	MIB238 Serial			
19	ports	Status Register B	Clock Select Reg B	
	MIB238 Serial			
1A	ports	* DO NOT USE *	Command Register B	
	MIB238 Serial			
1B	ports	RX Holding Register B	TX Holding Register B	
	MIB238 Serial			
1C	ports	* Reserved (note 1) *	MIB238 Serial Port RESET	
	MIB238 Serial			
1D	ports	Read Input Port Bits	Output Port Config Reg	
	MIB238 Serial			
1E	ports	Start Counter Cmd Port	Set Output Port Bits	
	MIB238 Serial			
1F	ports	Stop Counter Cmd Port	Reset Output Port Bits	

<sup>1)</sup> Reserved ports in serial port map: Input ports 12 and 1A - screw up serial ports if used; Input port 1C doesn't bother anything but the 2681 drives the bus.

## Handshaking Lines

The handshaking lines use the S2681's general purpose input and output ports and are assigned as follows:

## J3 - Serial Port 1 (wired for direct connection of a modem) -

Signal Line Name	Bit Number	Interface Board Pin	RS-232 Pin
Ground		J3 Pin 1	1
TX		J3 Pin 3	2
RX		J3 Pin 5	3
Request To Send	Output Bit 1	J3 Pin 7	4
Clear To Send	Input Bit 1	J3 Pin 9	5
Data Set Ready	Input Bit 3	J3 Pin 11	6
Data Terminal Ready	Output Bit 3	J3 Pin 14	20
Carrier Detect	Input Bit 5	J3 Pin 15	8

## J4 – Serial Port 2 (wired for direct connection of a terminal or a serial printer)

Signal Line Name	Bit Number	Interface Board Pin	RS-232 Pin
Ground		J4 Pin 1	1
RX		J4 Pin 3	2
TX		J4 Pin 5	3
Clear To Send	Input Bit 0	J4 Pin 7	4
Request To Send	Output Bit 0	J4 Pin 9	5
Data Terminal Ready	Output Bit 2	J4 Pin 11	6
Data Set Ready	Input Bit 2	J4 Pin 14	20
Carrier Detect	Output Bit 4	J4 Pin 15	8

#### Serial Cable Construction

Follow the illustration below to construct your MIB238 Serial Cables to connect to Serial Port 1 or 2. Select a length of ribbon cable with 20 conductors. Cable length should be 24 inches. On the RS-232 side, line the cable up with pin 1. The RS-232 connector will have 5 pins with no wire connection.

If you have a multimeter, I recommend checking continuity between Pin 1 on the 20-pin socket and Pin 1 on the 25-pin RS-232 connector.

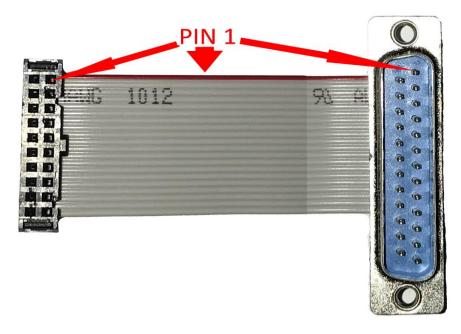


Figure 2 Serial Cable Diagram

It is recommended you "key" your Serial port cables and connectors so they can only connect in the correct orientation.

#### Instructions for Keying:

- 1. On connector J3 and J4 cut pin number 16 (or during construction of the MIB238 remove pin 16).
- 2. On the cable that will connect to connector J3 block the plug for pin number 16 with a small amount of epoxy or super glue. See Figure 3.
- 3. Repeat steps 2 and 3 for the cable that will plug in to connector J4.

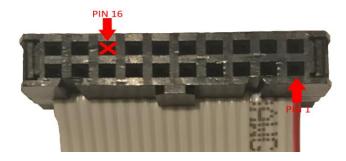


Figure 3 Serial Cable Keying

#### Using a PC as a Terminal Monitor

You can connect the MIB238 terminal port J4 to a Windows PC to display 80 column terminal output from programs like ADAMLink V or operating systems like T-DOS. To do this you will need the following:

- 1. A DB25 female to DB9 female Serial adapter
- 2. A USB to DB9 Serial port convertor
- 3. A Windows based terminal program, I recommend Putty. You can download Putty here: <a href="https://www.chiark.greenend.org.uk/~sgtatham/putty/latest.html">https://www.chiark.greenend.org.uk/~sgtatham/putty/latest.html</a>

For the connection you would first plug the cable from the MIB238 terminal port into the DB25 to DB9 adapter. Then plug the DB25 to DB9 adapter into the USB to DB9 converter. Finally plug the USB to DB9 converter into the USB port on your Windows PC.

To determine which COMPORT the USB to DB9 converter is using on your PC launch Device Manager and check under 'Ports'. See Figure 4.

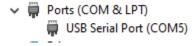


Figure 4 Device Manager Ports

Launch Putty on your PC and create a new connection using the COMPORT for the USB to DB9 converter found in Device Manager, use a speed of 19200 and the connection type should be Serial. See Figure 5.

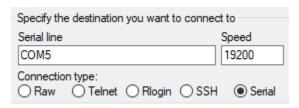


Figure 5 Putty Connection Configuration

Click 'Open' in Putty to launch the terminal window.

Then just launch the appropriate application on the ADAM computer and ensure the terminal output is configured to use the MIB serial port number 2 and a speed of 19200.

#### Example Z80 Code

An example of practical Z80 code for the serial ports is given below:

```
;MIB2/3/238 MODEM LIBRARY
            00
DATABIT:
        DB
PARITY:
        DB
            00
STOPBIT:
      DB
            00
BAUDRATE: DB
            00
BAUDRATES:
                ;0=300, 1=1200, 2=2400, 3=4800, 4=9600, 5=19200
      44h
    DB
        66h
    DB
                ;1200
      88h
                ;2400
    DB
    DB
      99h
                ;4800
    DB
        0BBh
                ;9600
        0CCh
                ;19200
    DB
DATABITS:
                ;0=5 bits per character, 1=6 bit, 2=7 bits, 3=8
bits
    DB
      00h
       01h
    DB
    DB
        02h
    DB
        03h
PARITYS:
                ;1=odd parity,2=no parity,3=even parity
      10h
    DB
    DB
        04h
                ;3=even parity
    DB
        00h
                ;0-2=1 stop bit
STOPBITS:
        07h
    DB
        07h
    DB
        07h
    DB
; Entering - offset in A register
         HL starting address to add offset to
; ld A register with value at HL+E offset
ld
         e,a
    ld
         d,00h
    add
         hl,de
    ld
          a, (hl)
    ret
MIB238RESET:
; reset mib
a,0ffh ;set bit 3 1111 1111
          (01h), a ; mib238 reset line
    out
    ld
          a,0f7h ;unset bit 3 1111 0111
    out
          (01h), a ; mib238 reset line
```

```
ret
COMMANDREG:
(c),a
   inc
       С
   ld
      a,05h
   out
       (c),a
   ld
       a,0f0h
   out
       (14h), a ; Aux Control Register
   ld
       a,0ffh
      (1eh), a ; Set Output Port Bits
   out
   ret
SENDBYTE:
; send a byte through register A
push
       af
.LOOP:
      a,(19h) ;Status Register B
   in
   ; in a_{i}(11h)
           ;Status Register A
  bit
       3,a
           ; check TxEMT
      z,.LOOP
  jr
   pop
      af
      (1Bh), a ; TX Holding Reg B
   out
   ;out
       (13h),a;TX Holding Reg A
   Ret
RECEIVEBYTE:
; receive a byte
af,af'
      a, (19h) ; Status Register B
   in
   ;in
       a, (11h); Status Register A
           ; check RxRDY
   bit
       0,a
      nz,.SKIP
   jr
       af,af'
   ex
   ret
.SKIP:
      a, (1Bh) ; RX Holding Register B
   in
       a, (13h) ; RX Holding Register A
   ;in
   call
       STORE
           ;store received character in buffer
       af,af'
   ex
```

```
push
          hl
    1 d
          hl,0000h
    ld
          (7a9eh), hl
                    ; new received character position
    ld
          (7aa0h),hl
                    ;next character to pop position
          hl
    pop
    ret
STORE:
;store received character in buffer
hl
    push
    push
          bc
    push
          af
          bc, (7a9eh) ; get buffer end
    ld
    ld
          hl,8902h
    add
          hl,bc
                  ; add buffer end to buffer beginning
    ld
                  ;store character in buffer
          (hl),a
    ld
          hl, (7a9eh) ; get buffer end put in HL
    call
          CHECKBUFFER
          (7a9eh), hl ; save new buffer end
    ld
    ld
          bc, (7aa0h)
    or
    sbc
          hl,bc
          nz, .SKIP
    jr
    ld
          hl, (7aa0h)
    call
          CHECKBUFFER
    ld
          (7aa0h), hl
.SKIP:
          af
    pop
          bc
    pop
    pop
          hl
    ret
CHECKBUFFER:
; checks if buffer position has exceeded buffer and if has
; resets position
bc
    push
    push
          аf
    inc
          hl
    push
          hl
    ld
          bc,13ffh
    or
          а
          hl,bc
    sbc
          hl
    pop
          nz, .SKIP
    jr
          hl,0000h; reset buffer end to 0
    ld
.SKIP:
          af
    pop
```

```
pop bc
    ret
CONFIGMIB238:
; sets serial data bits, parity, stop bits and baud rate
; set variables DATABIT, PARITY, STOPBIT, BAUDRATE before calling
;set C to port $18 serial port 1, port $10
    ld
          c,18h
                      ; if serial port 2
    push
          bc
    call
          MIB238RESET
                     ;mib238 reset
    ld
          hl, DATABITS
    ld
         a, (DATABIT) ; serial data bits
    call
         OFFSET
                      ; ld A register with value at HL+E offset
    push
          аf
    ld
         hl, PARITYS
    ld
          a, (PARITY)
                     ; serial parity
                      ; ld A register with value at HL+E offset
    call
         OFFSET
    qoq
         bc
    or
          b
    pop
          bc
    out
          (c),a
                     ; set data bits and parity
    ld
          hl, STOPBITS
    l d
         a, (STOPBIT) ; serial stop bits
    call
          OFFSET
                      ; ld A register with value at HL+E offset
    out
          (c),a
                  ;set C to port $11 clock select register A or $19
    inc
          С
clock select register B
    1 d
          hl, BAUDRATES
    ld
          a, (BAUDRATE) ; serial baud
    call
           OFFSET
                      ; ld A register with value at HL+E offset
    call
          COMMANDREG
                     ; send to port $12 command register A or
$1A command register B and send $05 to port $13 or port $1B
    ld
           a,0c3h
    ld
          (0030h),a
    ld
          hl, RECEIVEBYTE
                          ; set HL to receive character routine
    ld
           (0031h), hl ; set interrupt 31 to automatically receive
characters at be28h
    ld
          a,0c3h
    1 d
          (2e68h),a
    ld
          hl,0be38h
    ld
          (2e69h),hl
           0b818h
    ;call
CHKRECBTIMES:
; checks B times if a character has been received
.LOOP:
```

```
ld
      de,0b250h
. LOOP2:
                ;Status Register B
   in
       a,(19h)
   ;in
        a, (11h)
                ;Status Register A
       0,a
   bit
                ;check RxRDY
       nz,GETBYTE
   ir
       a, (19h)
                ;Status Register B
   in
   ;in
       a, (11h)
                ;Status Register A
   bit
       0,a
                ; check RxRDY
       nz,GETBYTE
   jr
   dec
   jr
      nz,GETBYTE
   dec
   jr
       nz,.LOOP2
       .LOOP
   djnz
   pop
        de
   scf
   ret
GETBYTE:
; gets character from receive holding register
in
       a, (1Bh) ; RX holding register B
               ;RX holding register A
   ;in
       a, (13h)
   or
       а
        de
   pop
CHKRECEIVE:
; checks if character has been received
;Status Register B
   in
       a,(19h)
                ;Status Register A
   ;in
        a, (11h)
   bit
        0,a
                ; check RxRDY
   ret
CHKGETBYTE:
; check receive status register and gets character if one has been
; received from receive holding register
call CHKRECEIVE
   jr
       z, CHKGETBYTE
       a,(1Bh) ; RX Holding Register B
a,(13h) ; RX Holding Register A
   in
   ;in
   or
   ret
```

```
CHKTRANSSEND:
; checks transmit register and wait for transmit to be clear to
; send, transmits character when clear
;A = byte to send
push
          de
   push af
.RSTRT:
         de,0b250h
    ld
.LOOP:
        a, (11h)
                   ;Status Register A
    in
                    ; check TxEMT
    bit
         3,a
         nz, SENDIT
                   ; if value is not 0 then jump and transmit
    jr
                    ; character in transmit holding register
    in
        a, (11h)
                    ;Status Register A
   bit
         3,a
                    ; check TxEMT
        nz, SENDIT ; if value is not 0 then jump and transmit
    jr
                    ; character in transmit holding register
    dec
         nz,.LOOP
                    ; if e not 0 then check again
    jr
    dec
          d
         nz,.LOOP
                   ; if d not 0 then check again
    jr
    djnz
         .RSTRT
   pop
          af
   pop
          de
    scf
; send character, character to send in A on stack
af
   pop
                   ;TX Holding Reg B
         (1Bh),a
    out
          (13h),a
                   ;TX Holding Reg A
    ;out
    or
          а
          de
   pop
   ret
```

## APPENDIX B - Parallel Port

## Parallel Printer Port Signals For Multipurpose Interface Board 238

Interface Board	Interface Board Pin	Centronics	Centronics Printer
Signal Name	No.	Connector Pin No.	Signal Name
Strobe	1	1	Strobe
Signal Ground	14	19	Strobe Return
D1	2	2	Data Bit 1
Signal Ground	15	20	Data 1 Return
D2	3	3	Data Bit 2
Signal Ground	16	21	Data 2 Return
D3	4	4	Data Bit 3
Signal Ground	17	22	Data 3 Return
D4	5	5	Data Bit 4
Signal Ground	18	23	Data 4 Return
D5	6	6	Data Bit 5
Signal Ground	19	24	Data 5 Return
D6	7	7	Data Bit 6
Signal Ground	20	25	Data 6 Return
D7	8	8	Data Bit 7
Signal Ground	21	26	Data 7 Return
D8	9	9	Data Bit 8
Signal Ground	22	27	Data 8 Return
No Connection	10	10	Acknowledge
Signal Ground	23	28	Ack Return
Printer Busy	11	11	Busy
Signal Ground	24	29	Busy Return
No Connection	12	12	Paper Error
Signal Ground	25	30	Reset Return
No Connection	13	13	Select
No Connection	26	31	Reset

#### **Centronics Pinout**

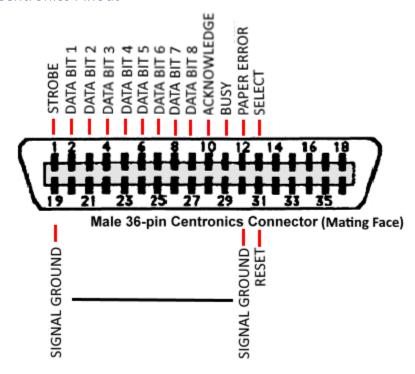


Figure 6 Centronics typical pinout

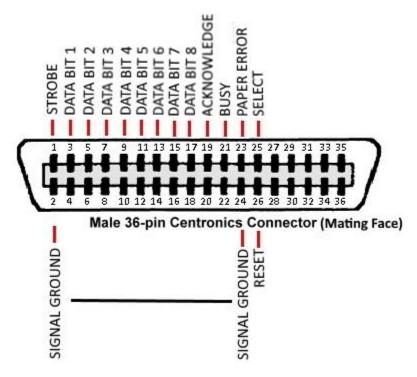


Figure 7 Centronics ribbon cable pinout

The parallel pinout numbering inf Figure 6 can be confusing since it does not illustrate correctly how the ribbon cable actually connects to the parallel connector (Centronics or DB25 parallel). This is shown in Figure 5.

Figure 7 shows the MIB238 parallel port connector ribbon cable pinout. You can see there are only 26 pins so no connection is made at all to the parallel port connector for pins 27 through 36.

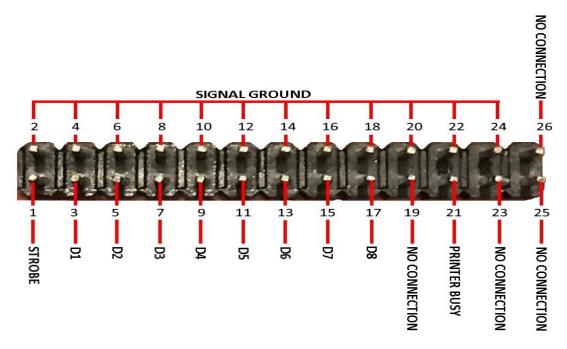


Figure 8 MIB238 Parallel Connector Pinout

#### Parallel Cable Construction

Follow the illustration below to construct your MIB238 Parallel Printer Cable to connect to the Parallel Printer Connector. Select a length of ribbon cable with 26 conductors. Cable length should be 24 inches. On the Centronics side, line the cable up with pin 1. The Centronics connector will have 10 pins with no wire connection.



Figure 9 Parallel Cable Diagram

It is recommended you "key" your Parallel port cable and connector so it can only connect in the correct orientation.

Instructions for Keying (See diagrams):

- 1. On connector J5 cut pin number 26.
- 2. On the cable that will connect to connector J3 block the plug for pin number 26 with a small amount of epoxy or super glue.

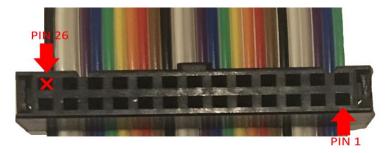


Figure 10 Parallel Cable Keying

## Example Z80 Code

An example of practical Z80 code for the parallel port is given below:

#### PRINT

```
in a,(40h) ; check printer status
and 01h ; is printer busy?
jr z,PRINT ; yes, wait
ld a,(BUFFER) ; get character to print from buffer
out (40h),a ; send character to printer
```

## APPENDIX C - Bill of Materials

## Bill of Materials

PART	QTY
Board	1
MC2681	1
GAL16V8-15LP	1
MAX238CWG	2
Crystal 3.6864 MHz 20pf	1
SN74LS123N*	1
SN74LS373N	1
40 pin DIP socket (double wipe)	1
28 pin DIP socket (double wipe)	1
20 pin DIP socket (double wipe)	2
2x40 header connector	1
.1 uF ceramic radial capacitors	3
1 uF ceramic radial capacitors	10
32 pF ceramic capacitors (for crystal)	2
33 uF 16v electrolytic radial capacitors	2
220 pF ceramic disc capacitor	2
22k 1/4 watt resistors	2
2.2k 1/14 resistor	1
OPTIONAL	
2732 eprom	1
Cables	
Serial	
20-pin IDC female connector	2
DB25 IDC male crimp connector	2
Parallel	
26-pin IDC female connector	1
36 Pin Centronics male IDC Ribbon Cable Crimp	
Connector	1
Ribbon Cable (30-40 conductor) 2 meters	1

<sup>\*</sup> I recommend <u>NOT</u> socketing the SN72LS123N due to clearance with the ADAM metal ground shield.

#### APPENDIX D - Construction

#### **PCB** Fabrication

You can send the Gerber file included with this package to the PCB fabrication house of your choice. Some PCB fabrication companies have slightly different naming conventions for Gerber files so you may need to adjust them. PCBWAY will accept the Gerber files as is. Below are basic parameters you may need to enter when completing your order. NOTE: Gold fingers are an option to improve the durability/longevity of the board but does add significant additional cost. If you decide to go with Gold fingers, I recommend the 'Immersed Gold' option.

#### Parameter Information

Board type: Single pieces

Size: 112 x 67 mm

Quantity: 5

Layer: 2 Layers

Material: FR-4: TG130

Thickness: 1.6 mm

Min Track/Spacing: 6/6mil

Min Hole Size : 0.3mm

Solder Mask: Red

Silkscreen: White

Gold fingers: No

Surface Finish: HASL with lead

"HASL" to "ENIG" No

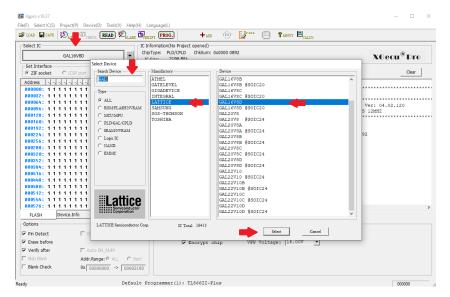
Via Process: Tenting vias

Finished Copper: 1 oz Cu

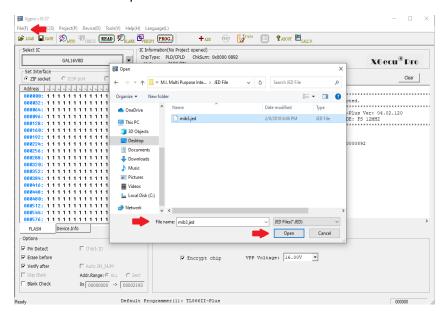
#### Programming the Lattice GAL18V8D-15LP

#### Example uses the MiniPro TL866II Plus

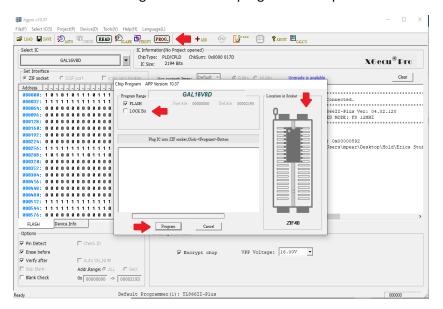
- 1. Connect the MiniPro programmer to your PC with the USB cable.
- 2. Launch the MiniPro programmer software.
- 3. Click the 'Select IC' button and in 'Search Device' type 'GAL'. The list of manufacturers will update with your search. Select 'LATTICE' in the 'Manufactory' field and the 'Devices' will update. Select 'GAL16V8D'. Then click the 'Select' button.



- 4. Go to the 'File (F)' menu and select 'Open'.
- 5. From the open file dialog box select the 'mib3.jed' file that was included in the Distribution Media of this package.
- 6. Click the 'Open' button to the load the .JED file in.



- 7. Click the 'PROG' button for Program.
- 8. When the 'Chip Program' dialog box opens uncheck the 'LOCK BIT' checkbox.
- 9. Position your GAL16V8D-15LP chip in the chip programmer as indicated by the diagram and lower the locking arm.
- 10. Click the 'Program' button to program the chip.



#### APPENDIX E - MEDIA

#### Distribution Media

MIB238.jed – File required to program the GAL16V8-15LP chip.

MIB238 T-DOS Utilities.dsk – TDOS System disk that allows configuration and use of MIB238 ports.

SmartBASIC\_MIB3\_Patched.DSK – SmartBASIC 1.0 patched for use with the MIB238 parallel printer port.

ADAMLink V – Terminal program that supports all MIB238 ports, serial, terminal and parallel.

SNC2681 Datasheet.pdf – Datasheet for the 2681 Dual asynchronous receiver/transmitter (DUART). Contains detailed information on the SCN2681 pinout and registers including setting baud rate, stop bits, data bits, parity, etc.

IDEBOOTROM.BIN – 4K binary of the IDE BOOT ROM for 2732 EPROM.