

FINGERPRINT READER (UART) SN-FPR-UART



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1. Overview and Features

SN-FPR-UART is a compact fingerprint reader module which is specially designed for project development because of its robustness and the following outstanding features:

- Small in size, clear imaging, fast acquisition, high identification speed, able to sense on dry or wet fingers, supports wide range of applications.
- High stability, convenience (direct access to any MCU through Serial UART operation) and integrated with low current warning.
- Able to retrieve fingerprint raw data and fingerprint identity files.
- Using commercial algorithms with high recognition speed and the collection of fingerprint done by a gentle touch on the sensing area.

1.1. Applications

- Security System
- Authentication
- Access Control
- User Registration
- Attendance System
- Vehicle Control

1.2. Technical specifications:

- Supply voltage: DC $4.5 \sim 7.5$ V
- Operating current: <140mA
- Communication Interface: UART
 - Baud Rate 19200 bps
 - Start Bit 1
 - Stop Bit 1
 - Data Bit 8
 - Parity Bit (
- Window area: 14 * 18mm
- Fingerprint Image resolution: 500 DPI
- Storage capacity: 80 fingerprints
- False Accept Rate: <0.0001%
- False Reject Rate: <0.01%
- Security level: 0~9 adjustable (default 5)
- Fingerprint Image Input Time: < 1 sec
- Matching/Search Time: <1 sec
- Support 1: 1 and 1: N matching
- Support multiple fingerprints for a user



1.3. Block Diagram

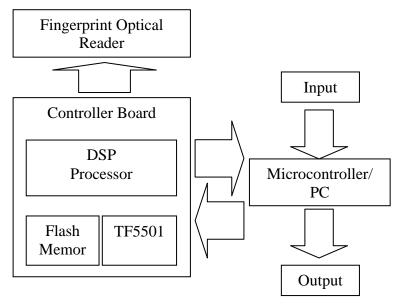


Figure 1.0 Block diagram

1.4. Proper way for fingerprint scanning

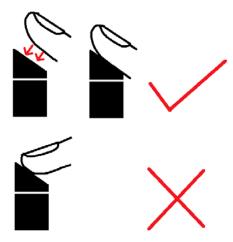


Figure 1.1



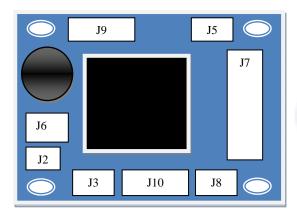




Figure 1.2 Appearance and structure of the board

1.5. Port Description

Port	Name	Pin	Specification	Note
J6	Power Supply	Pin1	Ground	
		Pin2	VCC	5~7.5V same as J10 Pin1
Ј7	Fingerprint collection window			
J10	Microcontroller Interface	Pin1	VCC	5~7.5V
	with power supply	Pin2	UART TX	Support both 5V and 3.3V
		Pin3	UART RX	
		Pin4	Ground	
		Pin5	Enable Sleep	Active Low
			(Optional)	

Note:

- 1. Pin with square pad considers as Pin1
- 2. Power Supply (J6) can be ignored if you have supplied power at UART (J10) line.
- 3. If system produces "Beep...Beep...Beep" sound and the red LED blinking means insufficient current provided and you are advice to use J6 as power supply.

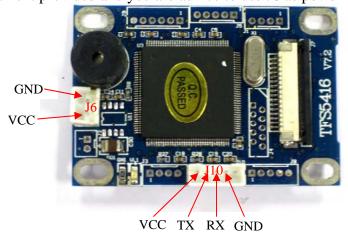


Figure 1.3 Ports and pins



3.1. Mechanical Dimensions

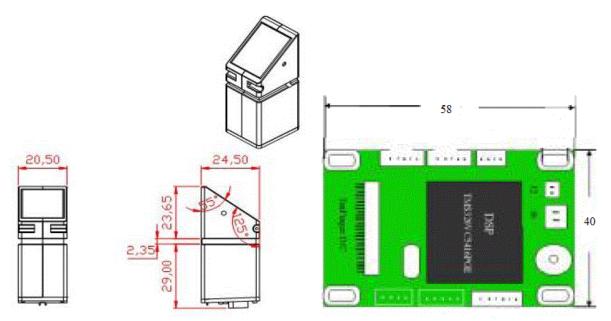


Figure 1.4 Mechanical dimensions in millimeter (mm)

3.2. Precaution

If using battery as power source alkaline battery is recommended.

If system produces Beep...Beep sound and the red LED blinking means insufficient current provided.



4. Packing List

Please check the parts and components according to the packing list. If there are any parts missing, please contact us at sales@cytron.com.my immediately.



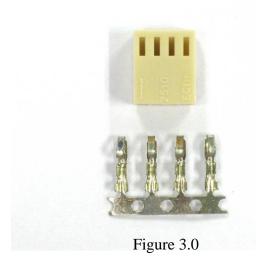
Figure 2.0

- i. 1 x DSP controller board
- ii. 1 x Optical fingerprint reader
- iii. 1 x Cable for J7
- iv. 1 x Cable for J10
- v. 1 x 2530-02 connector for J6



5. Connections

Cable connector for JP10 is provided. Connector 2510-04 can be connected to either UC00A (USB-UART) or PR29 (microcontroller board) UART port. This connector is not including in SN-FPR-UART packing list. User need to buy separately. Cable connector provided is for JP10. This cable need to be connected to SN-FPR-UART fingerprint reader. Figure 3.0 below shows the types of the connector which not include in SN-FPR-UART packing list.



3.1 Guide for making 5 ways 2510 cabel for fingerprint reader.

This section will guide user making 4 ways 2510 cable shown as figure below.

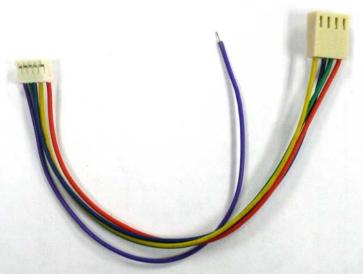


Figure 3.1



At step 5, ensure the connection is right. Rx pin of SN-FPR-UART must connect to Tx pin of microcontroller and Tx pin of SN-FPR-UART must connect to Rx pin of microcontroller.

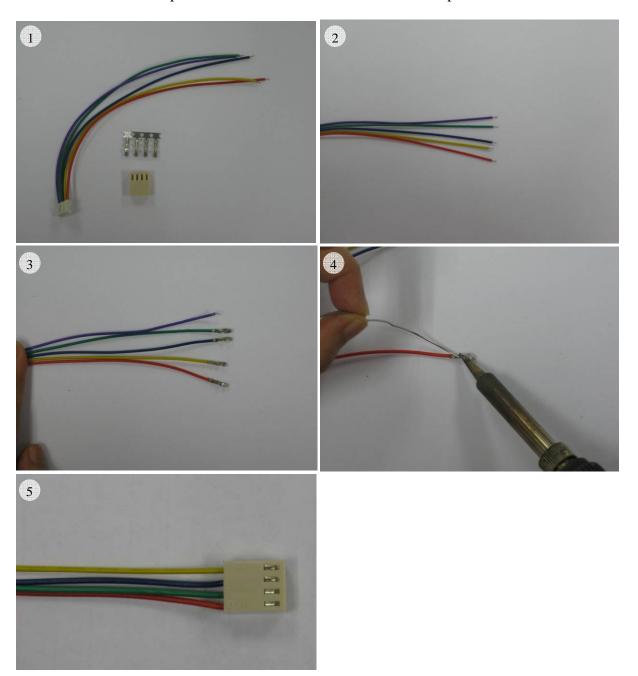


Figure 3.2



3.2 Possible connections for SN-FPR-UART fingerprint reader

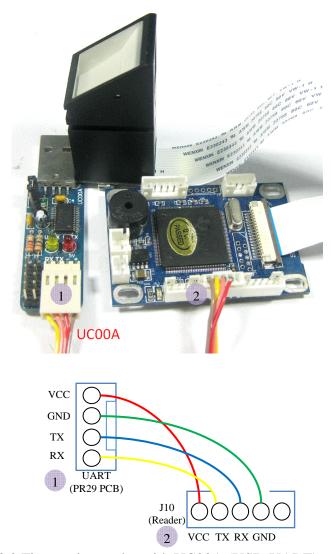


Figure 3.2 Fingerprint reader with UC00A (USB-UART) converter



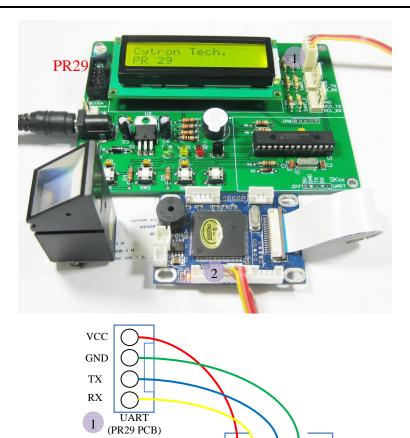


Figure 3.3 Fingerprint reader with PR29 PCB board

J10 (Reader)

2 VCC TX RX GND





UART (PR29 PCB) J10 (Reader) VCC TX RX GND

Figure 3.4 Fingerprint reader with SK40C- 40 pins PIC Start-Up kit



6. Communicate with SN-FPR-UART

6.1. Communication port descriptions

Baud Rate: 19200 bps

Start bit : 1 Stop bit : 1 Data bit : 8 Parity bit : 0

6.2. Format of Commands and Replies

In general, there are 2 types of commands and expected replies

Type 1: 8 bytes Message format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	CMD	P1	P2	P3	0	CHK	0xF5
Reply	0xF5	CMD	Q1	Q2	Q3	0	CHK	0xF5

Descriptions:

- CMD
 - o Types of operations
 - o Each operation has its own CMD
- P1, P2, P3
 - o Command arguments
- Q1, Q2, Q3
 - o Response arguments
 - o Q3 normally used as an acknowledgement

#define ACK_SUCCESS	0x00	//operation success
#define ACK_FAIL	0x01	//operation fail
#define ACK_FULL	0x04	//memory full
#define ACK_NOUSER	0x05	//user does not exist
#define ACK_USER_EXIST	0x07	//user already exists
#define ACK TIMEOUT	0x08	//time out in fingerprint collection

- CHK
 - o Checksum byte (XOR 2^{nd} Byte to 6^{th} Byte)
 - o Example: CHK = CMD \oplus P1 \oplus P2 \oplus P3 \oplus 0



Type 2: > 8 bytes (divided into header + packet)

Header message format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	CMD	Hi(Len)	Low(Len)	0	0	CHK	0xF5
Reply	0xF5	CMD	Hi(Len)	Low(Len)	Q3	0	CHK	0xF5

Descriptions:

- CMD
 - o Same as above
- Len
 - o Length of data (in byte) in the packet (16bits represents by two bytes)
- Hi(Len)
 - o Length of the data (in byte) upper 8bits
- Low(Len)
 - o Length of the data (in byte) lower 8bits
- CHK
 - \circ Checksum byte (XOR 2nd Byte to 6th Byte)

Packet message format

Byte	1	2Len + 1	Len + 2	Len + 3
Command	0xF5	Data	CHK	0xF5
Reply	0xF5	Data	CHK	0xF5

Descriptions:

- Len
 - o Length of data (in byte)
- CHK
 - o Checksum byte (XOR from 2nd Byte to (Len − 2)th Byte)



6.3. List of Commonly Used Commands and Their Respective Replies

6.3.1. Set / Read Fingerprint Input Mode (command/reply both consist of 8bytes)

There are two modes available for adding fingerprint into module: Allowed Repeat / Not Allowed Repeat for "Not Allowed Repeat" mode, each finger can only create a User and adding the same fingerprint into the module will return an error message.

Command and reply format

Command and repry format										
Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
Command	0xF5	0x2D	0	If 5 th Byte=0:	0: Set mode		CHK	0xF5		
				0: Allowed Repeat 1: Not Allowed Repeat If 5 th Byte=1: 0	1: Read current mode					
Reply	0xF5	0x2D	0	Current Mode	ACK_SUCCESS ACK FAIL	0	CHK	0xF5		
				Mode	ACK_PAIL					

6.3.2. Adding New Fingerprint (command and reply both consist of 8bytes)

For validity, user needs to provide his/her fingerprint for 3 times. Controller should send 3 different commands to the module for the process.

i. First Time

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x01	User ID	User ID	Level of	0	CHK	0xF5
			Upper 8	Lower 8	Authority			
			bit	bit	(1/2/3)			
Reply	0xF5	0x01	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			
					ACK_FULL			
					ACK_TIMEOUT			

Note: User ID range: 0x001 - 0xFFF



ii. Second Time

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x02	User ID	User ID	Level of	0	CHK	0xF5
			Upper 8	Lower 8	Authority			
			bit	bit	(1/2/3)			
Reply	0xF5	0x02	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			
					ACK_TIMEOUT			

iii. Third Time

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x03	User ID	User ID	Level of	0	CHK	0xF5
			Upper 8	Lower 8	Authority			
			bit	bit	(1/2/3)			
Reply	0xF5	0x03	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			
					ACK_USER_EXI			
					ST			
					ACK_TIMEOUT			

Note: User ID must be the same for all the 3 commands

6.3.3. Delete Specific User (command and reply both consist of 8bytes)

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x04	User ID	User ID	0	0	CHK	0xF5
			Upper 8	Lower 8				
			bit	bit				
Reply	0xF5	0x04	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			

6.3.4. Delete All (command and reply both consist of 8bytes)

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x05	0	0	0	0	CHK	0xF5
Reply	0xF5	0x05	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			



6.3.5. Request for Total Number of User Registered in the Module (command and reply both consist of 8bytes)

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x09	0	0	0	0	CHK	0xF5
Reply	0xF5	0x09	No. of	No. of	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
			user	user	ACK_FAIL			
			Upper 8	Lower 8				
			bit	bit				

6.3.6. Matching 1: 1 (command and reply both consist of 8bytes)

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x0B	User ID	User ID	0	0	CHK	0xF5
			Upper 8	Lower 8				
			bit	bit				
Reply	0xF5	0x0B	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			
					ACK_TIMEOUT			

6.3.7. Matching 1: N (command and reply both consist of 8bytes)

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x0C	0	0	0	0	CHK	0xF5
Reply	0xF5	0x0C	User ID	User ID	Level of	0	CHK	0xF5
			Upper 8	Lower 8	Authority(1/2/3)			
			bit	bit	ACK_NOUSER			
					ACK_TIMEOUT			



6.3.8. Set / Read Fingerprint Acquisition Timeout Limit (command and reply both consist of 8bytes)

Command and Reply format

Byte	1	2	3	4		5		6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x2E	0	If 5 th Byte=0:	0:	Set	New	0	CHK	0xF5
					Time	out Li	mit			
				New Timeout						
							current			
				,	Time	out Li	mit			
				If 5 th Byte=1:						
				0						
Reply	0xF5	0x2E	0	Current Timeout	ACK	SUC	CCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
				Limit	A	CK_F	AIL			

Note: Timeout limit (Tout) ranges from 0-255. Zero means no timeout while any value other than zero will causes the program to escape from fingerprint acquisition process after approximately Tout * 0.3sec



6.4. List of Other Commands and Their Respective Replies

6.4.1. Request for User's Level of Authority

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x0A	User ID	User ID	0	0	CHK	0xF5
			Upper 8	Lower 8				
			bit	bit				
Reply	0xF5	0x0A	0	0	Level of	0	CHK	0xF5
					Authority(1/2/3)			
					ACK_NOUSER			

6.4.2. Set / Read Matching Security Level (command and reply both consist of 8bytes)

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x28	0	If 5 th Byte=0:	0: Set Level	0	CHK	0xF5
				New value(0~9) If 5 th Byte=1:	1: Read current Level			
				0 0				
Reply	0xF5	0x28	0	Current	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
				Level	ACK_FAIL			

6.4.3. Acquire Image and Upload Image data (command 8bytes/ reply >8bytes)

Command format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x24	0	0	0	0	CHK	0xF5

Reply Format

i. Header

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Reply	0xF5	0x24	Hi (Len)	Low(Len)	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5	
					ACK_FAIL				
					ACK_TIMEOUT				



ii. Packet

Byte	1	2Len + 1	Len + 2	Len + 3
Reply	0xF5	Image Data	CHK	0xF5

Note: In DSP processor, fingerprint images are 280^* 280 pixels, and each pixel represents by 8bits. For upload purpose, images are resized into 140^* 140 pixels to reduce the total amount of data to be sent. The image only considers upper 4bits of grayscale value for every pixel. Every byte of data represents 2 pixels (lower 4bits pixel1 and upper 4bits pixel2). Transmissions of data start from the first pixel of the first row. Total data of the image (in byte) = $140column^*$ 140row/ 2 (where 2pixels share a byte). Len = Total data of the image (in byte) = 9800 bytes

6.4.4. Acquire Image and Upload the Eigenvalue (command 8bytes/ reply >8bytes)

Command format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x23	0	0	0	0	CHK	0xF5

Reply Format

i. Header

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x23	Hi (Len)	Low(Len)	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			
					ACK_TIMEOUT			

ii. Packet

Byte	1	2	3	4	5 Len + 1	Len + 2	Len + 3
Reply	0xF5	0	0	0	Eigenvalue data	CHK	0xF5

Note: Eigenvalue data length = 193 bytes = Len + 1-4

6.4.5. Perform Fingerprint Matching (Scanning) with Specific Eigenvalue (command >8bytes/ reply 8bytes)

Command format

i. Header

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x44	Hi (Len)	Low(Len)	0	0	CHK	0xF5

ii. Packet



Byte	1	2	3	4	5 Len + 1	Len + 2	Len + 3
Command	0xF5	0	0	0	Eigenvalue data	CHK	0xF5

Reply format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x44	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			
					ACK_TIMEOUT			

6.4.6. Matching Eigenvalue with Database in DSP Processor 1: 1 (command >8bytes/reply 8bytes)

Command format

i. Header

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x42	Hi (Len)	Low(Len)	0	0	CHK	0xF5

ii. Packet

Byte	1	2	3	4	5 Len + 1	Len +	Len +
						2	3
Command	0xF5	User ID	User ID	0	Eigenvalue data	CHK	0xF5
		Upper	Lower		_		
		8bits	8bits				

Note: Eigenvalue data length = 193 bytes = Len + 1 - 4

Reply format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x42	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			

6.4.7. Matching Eigenvalue with Database in DSP Processor 1: N (command >8bytes/reply 8bytes)

Command format

i. Header

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x43	Hi (Len)	Low(Len)	0	0	CHK	0xF5

ii. Packet

Byte	1	2	3	4	5 Len + 1	Len +	Len +
------	---	---	---	---	-----------	-------	-------



						2	3
Command	0xF5	0	0	0	Eigenvalue data	CHK	0xF5

Note: Eigenvalue data length = 193 bytes = Len + 1-4

Reply format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x43	User ID	User ID	Level of	0	CHK	0xF5
			Upper 8bits	Lower 8bits	Authority (1/2/3)			
					ACK_NOUSER			

6.4.8. Upload Eigenvalue of the Specified User from DSP Processor Database (command 8bytes/ reply >8bytes)

Command format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x31	User ID	User ID	0	0	CHK	0xF5
			Upper	Lower				
			8bits	8bits				

Reply Format

i. Header

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x31	Hi (Len)	Low(Len)	ACK_SUCCES	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			
					ACK_NOUSER			

ii. Packet

Byte	1	2	3	4	5 Len + 1	Len +	Len +
Reply	0xF5	User ID	User ID	Level of	Eigenvalue data	CHK	0xF5
		Upper	Lower	Authority			
		8bits	8bits	(1/2/3)			

Note: Eigenvalue data length = 193 bytes = Len + 1-4

6.4.9. Assigns Eigenvalue to a Specified User in DSP Processor Database (command >8bytes/ reply 8bytes)

Command format



i. Header

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x41	Hi (Len)	Low(Len)	0	0	CHK	0xF5

ii. Packet

Byte	1	2	3	4	5 Len + 1	Len +	Len +
						2	3
Command	0xF5	User	User	Level of	Eigenvalue data	CHK	0xF5
		ID	ID	Authority			
		Upper	Lower	(1/2/3)			
		8bits	8bits				

Note: Eigenvalue data length = 193 bytes = Len + 1 - 4

Reply format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x41	User ID	User ID	ACK_SUCCESS	0	CHK	0xF5
			Upper	Lower	ACK_FAIL			
			8bits	8bits				

6.4.10. Retrieve Level of Authority of All Registered Users (command 8bytes/ reply >8bytes)

Command format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x2B	0	0	0	0	CHK	0xF5

Reply Format

i. Header

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x2B	Hi (Len)	Low(Len)	ACK_SUCCES	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			

ii. Packet

Byte	1	2	3	4 Len + 1	Len + 2	Len + 2
Reply	0xF5	No. of user	No. of user	User ID and Level of	CHK	0xF5
		Upper 8 bit	Upper 8 bit	Authority		

Note: Format for 4th Byte until Len + 1 are as following:



User ID and Level of Authority

Byte	4	5	6	7	8	9	•••
Data	User	User	Level of	User	User	Level of	•••
	ID1	ID1	Authority	ID2	ID2	Authority	
	Upper	Lower	of User1	Upper	Lower	of User2	
	8bits	8bits	(1/2/3)	8bits	8bits	(1/2/3)	

6.4.11. Sleep the device (command and reply both consist of 8bytes)

Command format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x2C	0	0	0	0	CHK	0xF5

Reply format

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x2C	0	0	0	0	CHK	0xF5

4.5 Sample Commands/ Replies

4.5.1 Sample 1 : Adding New Fingerprint

Let's assume we are going to add a new user into the memory at location 0x001 with Level of Authority 3.

First command to be sent

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x01	0x00	0x01	0x03	0	0x03	0xF5

 $[*]CHK = 0x01 \oplus 0x00 \oplus 0x01 \oplus 0x03 \oplus 0x00 = 0x03$

Now, controller board will produce a "Beep" sound and the sensing area light up. User has to gently press his/her finger on the sensing area until occurrence of another "Beep" sound.

Expected reply is as below

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x01	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS /	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL /			
					ACK_FULL /			
					ACK_TIMEOUT			

CHK depends on the acknowledgement.



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If fifth byte returns ACK_SUCCESS, we can continue to send second command which is shown below.

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x02	0x00	0x01	0x03	0	0x00	0xF5

Again, the same user has to scan his/her finger again on the sensing area. Reply is either one of the acknowledgements show below

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x02	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS /	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL /			
					ACK_TIMEOUT			

CHK is always depends on 2nd to 6th byte for every 8 bytes command. If again the second reply gives ACK_SUCCESS, we are one step closer to the completion of the adding operation. Now, issue the last command which shown below

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x03	0x00	0x01	0x03	0	0x00	0xF5

User may receive anyone of the reply below. ACK_SUCCESS indicates the fingerprint has been successfully added to the memory location 0x001 with Level of Authority 3. Note that fingerprint reader not storing the image of the fingerprint but a template which contains eigenvalues of the fingerprint.

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x03	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS /	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL /			
					ACK_USER_EXI			
					ST /			
					ACK_TIMEOUT			

4.5.2 Sample 2 : Delete a Fingerprint

Users are able to delete selected fingerprint template and also delete all template by a single command message. For Sample 2, let's assume that we are now going to delete the fingerprint which is just added in Sample 1. By referring to the format above, we can easily construct the command to delete the fingerprint added in Sample 1 by simply replace both User ID upper and lower bytes with the ID in sample 1. Please note that CHK value also needed to be calculate again. Figure below shows the command that is going to be issued.

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x04	0x00	0x01	0	0	0x05	0xF5

There are only two possible acknowledgements available in the reply. ACK_SUCCESS simply means that the fingerprint is deleted successfully while ACK_FAIL means unsuccessful deletion.

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x04	0	0	ACK_SUCCESS /	0	CHK	0xF5
					ACK_FAIL			

4.5.3 Sample 3: Matching 1: N

In this example, we are going to discuss on the command to perform 1: N matching. 1: N matching is actually comparing the incoming fingerprint eigenvalue with all the available templates in the memory. The command for this operation is straight forward but there few possible replies to take care of.

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command	0xF5	0x0C	0	0	0	0	0x0C	0xF5

The command will be the same for all the times as shown in the table above and remember to replace CHK with appropriate value. Once the command is sent, the optical sensing area will light up with a "Beep" sound and user has to scan his/her finger on it. After the scanning process reader will send back an 8 bytes message to the user. There are three possible acknowledgements which may appear in the message. Let's discuss them one by one.

Case 1: Matched

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x0C	0x00	0x02	0x02	0	0x0C	0xF5

Message above shows the fingerprint scanned match with User ID 0x002 which assigned with Level 2 authority. Every template stored is assigned with respective Level of Authority during adding process.

Case 2: Does Not Match

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x0C	0x00	0x00	ACK_NOUSER	0	0x0B	0xF5

Above message will be returned from the DSP processor where there is zero in both 3rd and 4th byte and with ACK_NOUSER in the 5th byte showing user does not exist in the memory. ACK_NOUSER is actually 0x07 which is already stated above.



Case 3: Acquisition Process Time Out

Byte	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reply	0xF5	0x0C	00x0	0x00	ACK_TIMEOUT	0	0x04	0xF5

Default setting for SN-FPR-UART fingerprint reader is set to be no time out. So by default, optical scanner will be waiting for user's finger forever if there is no input. User has to set the time out option by another command first in order to encounter this case in matching process. We are not going to discuss on time out setting command here.



7. Sample Application: Fingerprint Time Attendance System

Cytron Technologies Fingerprint Time Attendance Application

Introduction and Description

Cytron Technologies Fingerprint Time Attendance Application is developed by using Microsoft Visual Basic 2008 Express Edition. This application is a sample time attendance system application which is expected to replace punch card system and attendance list signing in neither workplace nor school. However this application is using fingerprints recognition instead of punch card. The application is specially designed to support Cytron SN-FPR-UART fingerprints reader with support of UC00A USB-UART converter which both of them can be easily obtained from www.cytron.com.my

Cytron Technologies Fingerprint Time Attendance Application is designed to monitor up to 5 users for 5 days (Monday – Friday). *The application will ignore any marking/authentication on Saturday and Sunday*. As this is only a sample application with Visual Basic project files provided, you can always modify the program to make it better suited for your own preference. This section will show user the way to set up and run the application. Please read the "**Read Me First**" text file before start the program.

Steps before starting of Cytron Technologies Fingerprint Time Attendance Application

- 1. Download the application zip file from Cytron Technologies website
- 2. Extract the zip file, it contains an executable application and two folders "Database" and "Cytron Technologies Fingerprint Time Attendance Application"
- 3. Before you open the exe file, make sure you have moved "**Database**" folder to **Drive C:**\ of your computer. Else, the error below will be prompt out.



4. Now, you can double click on executable application named "Cytron Technologies Fingerprint Time Attendance Application.exe" to run the application.



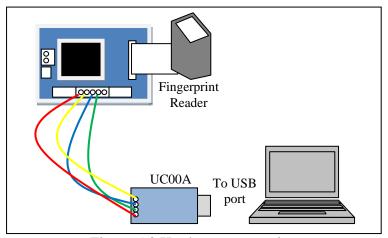


Figure 5.0 Hardware connection

Steps to Open Serial Port

- 1. Make sure all connections are correctly connected and fingerprint reader is switched on.
- 2. Firstly, choose the correct COM port, if you not sure how to choose the correct COM port please refer to UC00A USB-UART converter user's manual.
- 3. Select 19200 bps for the Baud Rate and click "Open Port". Figure below shows the port opening setting.





- Bottom of the window will shows "Connected" if the application establishes a connection successfully.
- 5. Now, the application is ready to be used.
- For First-time user, please "Reset" the system and assign an Administrator.

Steps to Reset the System

- 1. I assumed the application is already connected to the COM port.
- 2. Click on "Reset" button at the right hand side of the window.
- 3. Another window will show up and ask for Username and Password.



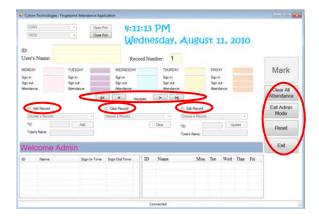
- 4. Default Username = cytron
 Default Password = cytron
- 5. Administrator must be assigned. Thus, instructions will be prompted to complete the operations.

Steps to *Add*, *Edit*, *Clear* and *Navigate* through the database (Admin only)

 In order to perform all these operations, admin has to click on "Mark" button and scan his/her



finger. System welcome message will be shown.



- 2. Notice that more operation are available in Admin mode
- 3. Steps for Add operation
 - i. Check on "Add Record".



- ii. Choose a record from the list.

 Please note that only empty
 records will be shown in the
 list.
- iii. Key in ID and Name for the new user and press "Add" button.



- iv. New user has to scan his/her finger to complete the adding process.
- v. Newly added record will be shown in the attendance list.
- 4. Steps for *Edit* operation
 - i. Check on "Edit Record"



- ii. Choose a record from the list.

 Please note that only
 registered record will be
 shown in the list.
- iii. Edit the ID and Name and click on "Update" button.



- iv. Updated ID and/or Name will be shown.
- 5. Steps for Clear operation
 - Check on "Clear Record"



- ii. Choose a record form the list.

 Please note that only
 registered record will be
 shown in the list.
- iii. Press on "Clear" button and the operation is done.
- 6. For record *navigation*, simply click on the arrow sign buttons to navigate next, previous, first or last record.



Function of "Clear All Attendance" button is to clear all the marked attendance and its respective signed in and signed out time for



the whole week. Please make sure the database is exported before performing this operation.

Click on "Exit Admin Mode" to turn the application back into a typical attendance marking system to serve all the registered users.



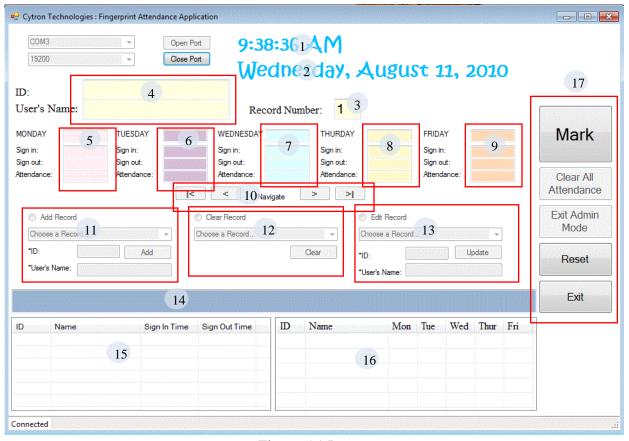


Figure 5.1 Layout

- 1. Current time
- 2. Today's date and day of week
- 3. Record number
- 4. User ID and Name
- 5. Monday's details for specified user
- 6. Tuesday's details for specified user
- 7. Wednesday's details for specified user
- 8. Thursday's details for specified user
- 9. Friday's details for specified user
- 10. Record navigation control
- 11. Add record section
- 12. Clear record section
- 13. Edit record section
- 14. Status/ Message display
- 15. Sign in/out log
- 16. Attendance table
- 17. General control buttons

Attendance system only work from Monday to Friday

Show the record directly from database

Editable only in Admin mode



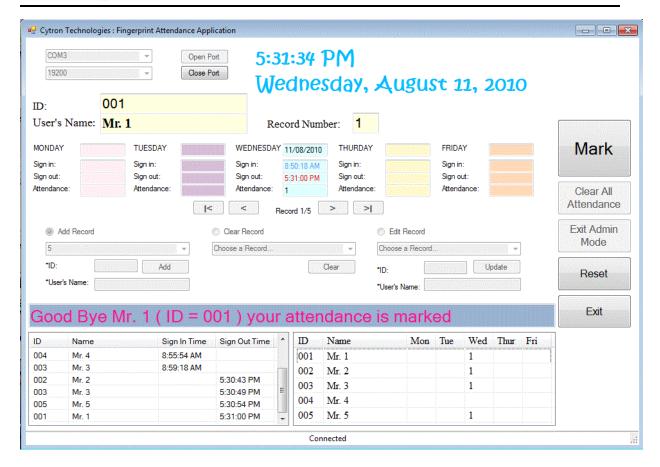


Figure 5.2 Sample Screenshot



6. WARRANTY

- > Product warranty is valid for 6 months
- Warranty only applies to manufacturing defect.
- > Damage caused by misuse is not covered under warranty.
- Warranty does not cover freight cost for both ways.



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