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Line Printer Terminal (LPT)

Summary

The Line Printer Terminal (LPT), Line Printer Port or just Parallel Port is a simple 8bit parallel control interface.

The primary intention of this port was to use the Centronics printer terminals with IBM computers. This design is based

on the original design now known as Standard Parallel Port (SPP) with 8 data lines, 5 status lines and 4 control lines.

Pinout

Name	DB25	Direction
/Strobe	1	Input
D0	2	Input
D1	3	Input
D2	4	Input
D3	5	Input
D4	6	Input
D5	7	Input
D6	8	Input
D7	9	Input
/Acknowledge	10	Output
Busy	11	Output
Paper Out	12	Output
Select	13	Output
/Auto Feed	14	Input
/Error	15	Output
/Initialize	16	Input
/Select In	17	Input
Ground	18-25	Power

Timing Diagram

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