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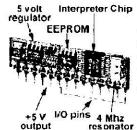
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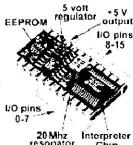


BASIC Stamp General Information



BASIC Stamps are small computers that run Parallax BASIC (PBASIC) programs. They have fully programmable I/O pins that can be used to directly interface to TTL-level devices, such as buttons, LEDs, speakers, potentiometers, and shift registers. And with just a few extra components, these I/O pins can be connected to non-TTL devices, such as solenoids, relays, RS-232 networks, and other high current/voltage devices.

Though they are available in various physical packages, all versions of BASIC Stamps have the same logical design, consisting of a 5-volt regulator, resonator, serial EEPROM, and <u>PBASIC</u> interpreter. A tokenized PBASIC program is stored in the non-volatile serial EEPROM, which is read from and written to by the interpreter chip. This interpreter chip fetches the instructions one at a time and performs the appropriate operation on the I/O pins or internal structures within the interpreter. Because the PBASIC program is stored in an EEPROM, it may be programmed and reprogrammed almost endlessly, without the need to first erase the memory, as with most PICs. To program BASIC Stamps, you just connect them to an IBM PC or compatible and run our editor software to edit and download your program.



The BASIC Stamp I has 8 I/O pins, holds 80 to 100 instructions and executes an average of 2000 instructions/sec. The BASIC Stamp II has 16 I/O pins plus two synchronous serial pins, holds 500 to 600 instructions and executes an average of 4000 instructions/sec. For more information on size and configuration, view our BASIC Stamp Comparison data.



For more answers to common questions, download the BASIC Stamp Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) list. It contains approximately 70 common BASIC Stamp questions and answers.

BASIC Stamp E-Mail List

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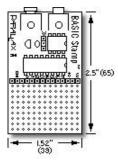
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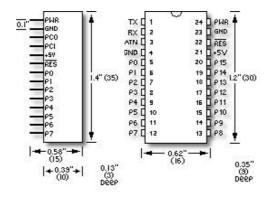


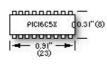
BASIC Stamp Modules



The BASIC Stamps are available in a number of different package types:







PC Board -- The original "Version D" is a complete PC board with prototype area and battery clips.

Surface Mount -- The newer "BS1-IC" and "BS2-IC" are 14- and 24-pin modules utilizing surface mount components to provide the smallest package possible. These modular BASIC Stamps have corresponding "carrier boards" which provide the usual prototype area and battery clips, if necessary. Schematics of these modules are available in .gif format.

Chip -- The PBASIC interpreter chips may be purchased separately and integrated directly into production products. Additionally, the BASIC Stamp I editor now includes the ability to program a PIC16C58 with your PBASIC code!

The table below shows the complete package types available, as well as a comparison between the BASIC Stamp I and BASIC Stamp II.

	BASIC Stamp I	BASIC Stamp II
	Version D #27100	F ==
	BRSIC Stamp O IT STATE BS1-IC	BS2-IC
I/O Lines	8	16, plus 2 RS-232 I/Os
EEPROM (Program & Data)	256 bytes	2048 bytes
RAM (Variables)	7 word registers; all are byte addressable, two are bit addressable	16 word registers; all are byte, nibble and bit addressable
Max. Program Length	~80 instructions	~500 instructions
Clock Speed	4-MHz	20-MHz
Program Execution Speed	2000 instructions/sec.	4000 instructions/sec.
Current Requirements	2 mA running, 20 uA in sleep modes	7 mA running, 50 uA in sleep modes
Environment	0° to 70° C (32° to 158° F), 70% non-condensing humidity	0° to 70° C (32° to 158° F), 70% non-condensing humidity
Serial I/O Speed	TTL serial @ 300 - 2400 baud (I/O pins)	TTL and RS-232 serial @ 300 - 50K baud (I/O pins or serial port) (0 - 19200 baud with flow control)
Package	PC board (Ver. D), 14-pin SIP module (BS1-IC)	24-pin DIP module
Processor	PIC16C56	PIC16C57
PC Programming Interface	Parallel port	Serial port
Prototype Area	Built-In (Ver. D), Optional carrier board (BS1-IC)	Optional carrier board
I/O Instructions	BUTTON HIGH INPUT LOW OUTPUT POT PULSIN PULSOUT PWM REVERSE SERIN SEROUT SOUND TOGGLE	BUTTON COUNT DTMFOUT FREQOUT HIGH INPUT LOW OUTPUT PULSIN PULSOUT PWM RCTIME REVERSE SERIN SEROUT SHIFTIN TOGGLE XOUT



PBASIC Instruction Set

The following gives a complete list of PBASIC commands for both versions of the Stamp. It does not include arithmetic or logical operators. Many enhancements were made to the PBASIC language with the release of the BASIC Stamp II and thus some commands only exist on one version of the BASIC Stamp. For more detailed information on the differences between PBASIC1 and PBASIC2, download the BASIC Stamp I to BASIC Stamp II Conversion document.



Indicates instruction is only available on BASIC Stamp D and BS1-IC.

Indicates instruction is only available on BS2-IC.

BRANCHING

IF . . . THEN Compare and conditionally branch.

BRANCH Branch to address specified by offset.

GOTO Branch to address.

GOSUB Branch to subroutine at address.

RETURN Return from subroutine.

LOOPING

FOR . . . NEXT Establish a FOR - NEXT loop.

NUMERICS

LET Perform variable manipulation, such as A=5, B=A+2, etc. Possible operations

are add, subtract, multiply, divide, max. limit, min. limit, and logical operations AND, OR, XOR, AND NOT, OR NOT, and XOR NOT.

LOOKUP Lookup data specified by offset and store in variable. This instruction

provides a means to make a lookup table.

LOOKDOWN Find target's match number (0-N) and store in variable.

RANDOM Generate a pseudo-random number.

DIGITAL I/O

INPUT Make pin an input
OUTPUT Make pin an output

REVERSE If pin is an output, make it an input. If pin is an input, make it an output.

LOW Make pin output low.

HIGH Make pin output high.

TOGGLE Make pin an output and toggle state.

PULSIN Measure an input pulse.

PULSOUT Output a timed pulse by inverting a pin for some time.

BUTTON Debounce button, perform auto-repeat, and branch to address if button is in

target state.

SHIFTIN Shift bits in from parallel-to-serial shift register.

SHIFTOUT Shift bits out to serial-to-parallel shift register.

COUNT Count cycles on a pin for a given amount of time (0 to 125 kHz, assuming

50/50 duty cycle).

2 XOUT Generate X-10 powerline control codes. For use with X-10 lamp and

appliance control modules.

SERIAL I/O

SERIN Serial input with optional qualifiers and variables for storage of received data.

On the Stamp D and BS1-IC, baud rates of 300, 600, 1200, and 2400 are possible. On the BS2-IC, any baud rate (up to 50k baud) is possible. Also,

the BS2-IC has a serial input time-out function.

SEROUT Send data serially. On the Stamp D and BS1-IC, data is sent at 300, 600,

1200, or 2400 baud. On the BS2-IC, data is sent at any baud rate (up to 50k

baud).

ANALOG I/O

PWM Output PWM, then return pin to input. This can be used to output analog

voltages (0 to 5 V) using a capacitor and resistor.

POT Read a 5 to 50K potentiometer and scale result.

2 RCTIME Measure an RC charge/discharge time. Can be used to measure

potentiometers (faster than POT on Stamp D and BS1-IC).

SOUND

FREQUUT Generate one or two sine waves of specified frequencies (each from 0 to

32767 Hz).

DTMFOUT Generate DTMF telephone tones.

SOUND Play notes. Note 0 is silence, notes 1 to 127 are ascending tones, and notes

128 to 255 are white noises.

EEPROM ACCESS

2 DATA Store data in EEPROM before downloading BASIC program (BS2-IC).

EEPROM Store data in EEPROM before downloading BASIC program (Stamp D and

BS1-IC)

READ Read EEPROM byte into variable.

WRITE Write byte into EEPROM

TIME

PAUSE Pause execution for 0 to 65536 milliseconds.

POWER CONTROL

NAP Nap for a short period. Power consumption is reduced.

SLEEP Sleep for 1 to 65535 seconds. Power consumption is reduced to 20 µA

(Stamp D and BS1-IC) or 50 µA (BS2-IC).

END Sleep until the power cycles or the PC connects. Power consumption is the

same as SLEEP instruction.

PROGRAM DEBUGGING

DEBUG Sends variables to PC for viewing.

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