The Arduino Mega 2560 is a microcontroller board based on the ATmega2560 (datasheet). It has 54 digital input/output pins (of which 14 can be used as PWM outputs), 16 analog inputs, 4 UARTs (hardware serial ports), a 16 MHz crystal oscillator, a USB connection, a power jack, an ICSP header, and a reset button. It contains everything needed to support the microcontroller; simply connect it to a computer with a USB cable or power it with a AC-to-DC adapter or battery to get started. The Mega is compatible with most shields designed for the Arduino Duemilanove or Diecimila.
### Technical Specification

EAGLE files: [arduino-mega2560-reference-design.zip](arduino-mega2560-reference-design.zip)  Schematic: [arduino-mega2560-schematic.pdf](arduino-mega2560-schematic.pdf)

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![Diagram of the Arduino Mega 2560 board](image)
The Arduino Mega2560 can be powered via the USB connection or with an external power supply. The power source is selected automatically. External (non-USB) power can come either from an AC-to-DC adapter (wall-wart) or battery. The adapter can be connected by plugging a 2.1mm center-positive plug into the board’s power jack. Leads from a battery can be inserted in the Gnd and Vin pin headers of the POWER connector.

The board can operate on an external supply of 6 to 20 volts. If supplied with less than 7V, however, the 5V pin may supply less than five volts and the board may be unstable. If using more than 12V, the voltage regulator may overheat and damage the board. The recommended range is 7 to 12 volts.

The Mega2560 differs from all preceding boards in that it does not use the FTDI USB-to-serial driver chip. Instead, it features the Atmega8U2 programmed as a USB-to-serial converter.

The power pins are as follows:

- **VIN.** The input voltage to the Arduino board when it's using an external power source (as opposed to 5 volts from the USB connection or other regulated power source). You can supply voltage through this pin, or, if supplying voltage via the power jack, access it through this pin.
- **5V.** The regulated power supply used to power the microcontroller and other components on the board. This can come either from VIN via an on-board regulator, or be supplied by USB or another regulated 5V supply.
- **3V3.** A 3.3 volt supply generated by the on-board regulator. Maximum current draw is 50 mA.
- **GND.** Ground pins.

The ATmega2560 has 256 KB of flash memory for storing code (of which 8 KB is used for the bootloader), 8 KB of SRAM and 4 KB of EEPROM (which can be read and written with the EEPROM library).

Each of the 54 digital pins on the Mega can be used as an input or output, using pinMode(), digitalWrite(), and digitalRead() functions. They operate at 5 volts. Each pin can provide or receive a maximum of 40 mA and has an internal pull-up resistor (disconnected by default) of 20-50 kOhms. In addition, some pins have specialized functions:

- **Serial:** 0 (RX) and 1 (TX); Serial 1: 19 (RX) and 18 (TX); Serial 2: 17 (RX) and 16 (TX); Serial 3: 15 (RX) and 14 (TX). Used to receive (RX) and transmit (TX) TTL serial data. Pins 0 and 1 are also connected to the corresponding pins of the ATmega8U2 USB-to-TTL Serial chip.
- **External Interrupts:** 2 (interrupt 0), 3 (interrupt 1), 18 (interrupt 5), 19 (interrupt 4), 20 (interrupt 3), and 21 (interrupt 2). These pins can be configured to trigger an interrupt on a low value, a rising or falling edge, or a change in value. See the attachInterrupt() function for details.
- **PWM:** 0 to 13. Provide 8-bit PWM output with the analogWrite() function.
- **SPI:** 50 (MISO), 51 (MOSI), 52 (SCK), 53 (SS). These pins support SPI communication, which, although provided by the underlying hardware, is not currently included in the Arduino language. The SPI pins are also broken out on the ICSP header, which is physically compatible with the Duemilanove and Diecimila.
- **LED:** 13. There is a built-in LED connected to digital pin 13. When the pin is HIGH value, the LED is on, when the pin is LOW, it's off.
- **I²C:** 20 (SDA) and 21 (SCL). Support I²C (TWI) communication using the Wire library (documentation on the Wiring website). Note that these pins are not in the same location as the I²C pins on the Duemilanove.

The Mega2560 has 16 analog inputs, each of which provide 10 bits of resolution (i.e. 1024 different values). By default they measure from ground to 5 volts, though it is possible to change the upper end of their range using the AREF pin and analogReference() function.

There are a couple of other pins on the board:

- **AREF.** Reference voltage for the analog inputs. Used with analogReference().
- **Reset.** Bring this line LOW to reset the microcontroller. Typically used to add a reset button to shields which block the one on the board.
Communication

The Arduino Mega2560 has a number of facilities for communicating with a computer, another Arduino, or other microcontrollers. The ATmega2560 provides four hardware UARTs for TTL (5V) serial communication. An ATmega8U2 on the board channels one of these over USB and provides a virtual com port to software on the computer (Windows machines will need a .inf file, but OSX and Linux machines will recognize the board as a COM port automatically. The Arduino software includes a serial monitor which allows simple textual data to be sent to and from the board. The RX and TX LEDs on the board will flash when data is being transmitted via the ATmega8U2 chip and USB connection to the computer (but not for serial communication on pins 0 and 1).

A SoftwareSerial library allows for serial communication on any of the Mega's digital pins.

The ATmega2560 also supports I2C (TWI) and SPI communication. The Arduino software includes a Wire library to simplify use of the I2C bus; see the documentation on the Wiring website for details. To use the SPI communication, please see the ATmega2560 datasheet.

Programming

The Arduino Mega2560 can be programmed with the Arduino software (download). For details, see the reference and tutorials.

The Atmega2560 on the Arduino Mega comes preburned with a bootloader that allows you to upload new code to it without the use of an external hardware programmer. It communicates using the original STK500 protocol (reference, C header files).

You can also bypass the bootloader and program the microcontroller through the ICSP (In-Circuit Serial Programming) header; see these instructions for details.
Rather than requiring a physical press of the reset button before an upload, the Arduino Mega2560 is designed in a way that allows it to be reset by software running on a connected computer. One of the hardware flow control lines (DTR) of the ATmega8U2 is connected to the reset line of the ATmega2560 via a 100 nanofarad capacitor. When this line is asserted (taken low), the reset line drops long enough to reset the chip. The Arduino software uses this capability to allow you to upload code by simply pressing the upload button in the Arduino environment. This means that the bootloader can have a shorter timeout, as the lowering of DTR can be well-coordinated with the start of the upload.

This setup has other implications. When the Mega2560 is connected to either a computer running Mac OS X or Linux, it resets each time a connection is made to it from software (via USB). For the following half-second or so, the bootloader is running on the Mega2560. While it is programmed to ignore malformed data (i.e. anything besides an upload of new code), it will intercept the first few bytes of data sent to the board after a connection is opened. If a sketch running on the board receives one-time configuration or other data when it first starts, make sure that the software with which it communicates waits a second after opening the connection and before sending this data.

The Mega contains a trace that can be cut to disable the auto-reset. The pads on either side of the trace can be soldered together to re-enable it. It's labeled "RESET-EN". You may also be able to disable the auto-reset by connecting a 110 ohm resistor from 5V to the reset line; see this forum thread for details.

The Arduino Mega has a resettable polyfuse that protects your computer's USB ports from shorts and overcurrent. Although most computers provide their own internal protection, the fuse provides an extra layer of protection. If more than 500 mA is applied to the USB port, the fuse will automatically break the connection until the short or overload is removed.

The maximum length and width of the Mega PCB are 4 and 2.1 inches respectively, with the USB connector and power jack extending beyond the former dimension. Three screw holes allow the board to be attached to a surface or case. Note that the distance between digital pins 7 and 8 is 160 mil (0.16"), not an even multiple of the 100 mil spacing of the other pins.

The Mega is designed to be compatible with most shields designed for the Diecimila or Duemilanove. Digital pins 0 to 13 (and the adjacent AREF and GND pins), analog inputs 0 to 5, the power header, and ICSP header are all in equivalent locations. Further the main UART (serial port) is located on the same pins (0 and 1), as are external interrupts 0 and 1 (pins 2 and 3 respectively). SPI is available through the ICSP header on both the Mega and Duemilanove / Diecimila. Please note that I²C is not located on the same pins on the Mega (20 and 21) as the Duemilanove / Diecimila (analog inputs 4 and 5).
Arduino can sense the environment by receiving input from a variety of sensors and can affect its surroundings by controlling lights, motors, and other actuators. The microcontroller on the board is programmed using the **Arduino programming language** (based on **Wiring**) and the Arduino development environment (based on **Processing**). Arduino projects can be stand-alone or they can communicate with software on running on a computer (e.g. Flash, Processing, MaxMSP).

Arduino is a cross-platform program. You'll have to follow different instructions for your personal OS. Check on the [Arduino site](http://arduino.cc/en/Guide/HomePage) for the latest instructions.

**Linux Install**  
**Windows Install**  
**Mac Install**

Once you have downloaded/unzipped the arduino IDE, you can Plug the Arduino to your PC via USB cable.

Now you're actually ready to “burn” your first program on the arduino board. To select “blink led”, the physical translation of the well known programming “hello world”, select

File>Sketchbook>Arduino-0017>Examples>Digital>Blink

Once you have your sketch you'll see something very close to the screenshot on the right.

In Tools>Board select MEGA

Now you have to go to Tools>SerialPort and select the right serial port, the one arduino is attached to.

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**Blink led**

```c
int ledPin = 13;  // LED connected to digital pin 13

void setup() {  // The setup() method runs once, when the sketch starts
  pinMode(ledPin, OUTPUT);  
}

void loop() {  // the loop() method runs over and over again, 
  // as long as the Arduino has power
    digitalWrite(ledPin, HIGH);  // set the LED on
    delay(1000);  // wait for a second
    digitalWrite(ledPin, LOW);  // set the LED off
    delay(1000);  // wait for a second
```

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Press Compile button (to check for errors)  
Upload  
TX RX Flasing  
Blinking Led!
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Overview

The Serial Graphic LCD backpack interfaces to 160x128 pixel “Huge” Graphic LCD (sku: LCD-08799) and provides the user a simple serial interface to a full range of controls. Besides writing text, the backpack allows the user to draw lines, circles and boxes, set or reset individual pixels, erase specific blocks of the display and control the backlight. There’s also a reverse mode that allows the screen to operate blue on white instead of white on blue.

All source code for the ATmega168 processor is compiled using the free WinAVR compiler and is free for downloading on the product description page.

Specifications:

- Voltage: 6V – 7V DC
- Current: 220mA (backlight at 100%)
- Input: 0-5V, 115,200bps (adjustable), 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity
- Dimensions: 2.02” x 1.11” (51mm x 28mm)

Setup

Setting up the display is as easy as connecting 6V to Vin, 0V to GND and a serial TX line from your source to the RX line on the backpack. The TX line from the backpack has been left in the final design for future code revisions, debugging and user development, but it is not currently utilized as of this writing.

Voltages of up to 9V may be used to power the backpack, however care should be take to reduce the backlight duty cycle in such cases to reduce the chance of overloading the voltage regulator on the backpack.

The backpack is primarily intended for embedded applications, but it can easily be connected to a computer and written to with a terminal emulator (the FT232RL USB to Serial Breakout, SKU:BOB-00718, is very good for this – just connect grounds and TX on the break out board to RX on the backpack).

If you’re running on a terminal emulator, just open the port to 115,200bps, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity, and start typing.

Note: There is a small potentiometer on the backpack.
that allows for contrast adjustments. This should already be adjusted for you, but if text is not readily apparent or otherwise does not suit your needs, feel free to adjust to your liking.

**Operation**

The graphic LCD is mapped out in Cartesian coordinates as shown in the following picture:

![Cartesian Coordinates](image)

ASCII characters are printed to the screen with respect to two user-changeable settings, \(x_{\text{offset}}\) and \(y_{\text{offset}}\). These two settings define the top-left corner bit of a character space, which is 6x8 bits. By changing \(x_{\text{offset}}\) and \(y_{\text{offset}}\) the user can place test anywhere on the screen.

Printing characters to the screen happens left to right, top to bottom, without adjusting \(x_{\text{offset}}\) and \(y_{\text{offset}}\). Further, changing the offsets will change the entire frame of the text, meaning that writing to the end of one line and onto the next will happen seamlessly as the text has no predefined locations where it can or can’t be written (except for locations close to the left and bottom edges of the display).

Backspace is also functional and tries to maintain the reference frame as set by the user.

The backpack has an input buffer of 416 bytes, the number of characters that fill the screen. Streaming more than 416 characters at a time may cause a buffer overrun, and the time it takes for the firmware to process the entire buffer is dependent on what combination of characters and special commands that the user sends. Some experimentation may be necessary to find the best operation.

**Special Commands**

All commands are preceded with ‘|’, or ASCII decimal 124 (0x7C). This tells the display that a command sequence follows. Before any of the following commands are given, they must be preceded with ‘|’. The actual character ‘|’ is not (and cannot) be printed to the screen.

**Clear Screen:**

Sending ‘<control>@ (0x00)’ clears the screen of all written pixels. If you’re operating in normal mode, all pixels are reset. If you’re operating in reverse mode, all pixels are set (white background). An example of a “clear screen” command would be to send 0x7C 0x00, or from a keyboard send ‘|’ and <control>@.

**Demo code:**

Sending ‘<control>d (0x04)’ runs demonstration code. This is in the firmware just as an example of what the display can do. To see the demonstration, send 0x7C 0x04, or from a keyboard send ‘|’ and <control>d.

**Reverse Mode:**

Sending ‘<control>r (0x12)’ toggles between white on blue display and blue on white display. Setting the reverse mode causes the screen to immediately clear with the new background. To set the reverse mode, send 0x7C 0x12, or from a keyboard send ‘|’ and <control>r. This setting is saved between power cycles. If the display is turned off while in reverse mode, it will next power up in reverse mode.

**Splash Screen:**

Sending ‘<control>s (0x13)’ allows or disallows the SparkFun logo to be displayed at power up. The splash screen serves two purposes. One is obviously to put our mark on the product, but the second is to allow a short time at power up where the display can be recovered from errant baud rate changes (see Baud Rate for more info). Disabling the splash screen suppresses the logo, but the delay remains active. To disable the splash screen, send 0x7C, 0x13, or from a keyboard send ‘|’ and <control>s.
Set Backlight Duty Cycle:

Sending "<control>b (0x02)" followed by a number from 0 to 100 will change the backlight intensity (and therefore current draw). Setting the value to zero turns the backlight off, setting it at 100 or above turns it full on, and intermediate values set it somewhere in between. The number setting in the command sequence is an 8-bit ASCII value. As an example, to set the backlight duty cycle to 50, send 0x7C 0x02 0x32, or from a keyboard send "|", <control>b and "2".

Change Baud Rate:

Sending "<control>g (0x07)" followed by an ASCII character from "1" to "6" changes the baud rate. The default baud rate is 115,200bps, but the backpack can be set to a variety of communication speeds:

- "1" = 4800bps
- "2" = 9600bps
- "3" = 19,200bps
- "4" = 38,400bps
- "5" = 57,600bps
- "6" = 115,200bps

As an example, to set the baud rate to 19,200bps, send 0x7C 0x07 0x33, or from a keyboard send "|", <control>g and "3". The baud rate setting is retained during power cycling, so if it powers down at 19,200bps, it will next power up with that setting.

In a pinch, the baud rate can be reset to 115,200. During the one second delay at power up, send the display any character at 115,200bps. The number "115200" will be shown in the upper left corner of the display, and the backpack will revert to that setting unless otherwise changed.

Set X or Y Coordinates:

Sending "<control>x (0x18)" or "<control>y (0x19)" followed by a number representing a new reference coordinate changes the X or Y coordinates. The X and Y reference coordinates (x_offset and y_offset in the source code) are used by the text generator to place text at specific locations on the screen. As stated earlier, the coordinates refer to the upper left most pixel in the character space. If the offsets are within 6 pixels of the right edge of the screen or 8 pixels of the bottom, the text generator will revert to the next logical line for text so as to print a whole character and not parts. As an example, to set x_offset to 80 (the middle of the horizontal axis) send 0x7C 0x18 0x50, or from a keyboard send "|", <control>x and "P". Attempting to set values greater than the length of each axis result in maximizing the respective offsets.

Set/Reset Pixel:

Sending "<control>p (0x10)" followed by x and y coordinates, and a 0 or 1 to determine setting or resetting of the pixel. Any pixel on the display can independently set or reset with this command. As an example, to set the pixel at (80, 64) send 0x7C 0x10 0x50 0x40 0x01, or from a keyboard send "|", <control>p, "P", "@" and <control>a. Remember that setting a pixel doesn't necessarily mean writing a one to that location, it means to write the opposite of the background. So if you're operating in reverse mode, setting a pixel actually clears the pixel and sets it apart from the white background. Resetting that pixel causes it to be white like the background.

Draw Line:

Sending "<control>l (0x0C)" followed by two sets of (x, y) coordinates defining the line's start and stop, followed by a 0 or 1 determines whether to draw or erase the line. As an example, to draw a line from (0,10) to (50,60) send 0x7C 0x0C 0x00 (x1) 0x0A (y1) 0x32 (x2) 0x3C (y2) 0x01, or from a keyboard send "|", <control>l, <control>@, <control>j, "2", "<" and <control>a. To erase the line (and leave surrounding text and graphics unchanged), submit the same command but changing the last <control>a to <control>@.

Draw Circle:

Sending "<control>c (0x03)" followed by x and y coordinates defining the center of the circle, followed by a number representing the radius of the circle, followed by a 0 or 1 determines whether to draw or erase the circle. As an example, to draw a circle at center (80, 64) with radius 10 send 0x7C 0x03 0x50 0x40 0x0A 0x01, or from a keyboard send "|", <control>c, "P", "@", <control>j and <control>a. To erase the circle (and leave surrounding text and graphics unchanged), submit the same command but changing the last <control>a to <control>@. Circles can be drawn off-grid, but only those pixels that fall within the display boundaries will be written.
Draw Box:

Sending "<control>O (0x0F)" followed by two sets of (x, y) coordinates defining opposite corners of the box, followed by a 0 or 1 determines whether to draw or erase the box. This command is exactly like the draw line command, but instead of drawing a line you get a box that exactly contains the line between the given coordinates. As an example, to draw a rectangular box around the line from (0,10) to (50,60) send 0x7C 0x0F 0x00 (x1) 0x0A (y1) 0x32 (x2) 0x3C (y2) 0x01, or from a keyboard send '|', <control>O, <control>@, <control>], '2', '<' and <control>a. To erase the box (and leave surrounding text and graphics unchanged), submit the same command but changing the last <control>a to <control>@.

Erase Block:

Sending "<control>E (0x05)" followed by two sets of (x, y) coordinates defines opposite corners of the block to be erased. This is just like the draw box command, except the contents of the box are erased to the background color. As an example, to erase a rectangular block around the line from (0,10) to (50,60) send "0x7C 0x05 0x00 (x1) 0x0A (y1) 0x32 (x2) 0x3C (y2)", or from a keyboard send '|', <control>e, <control>@, <control>j, '2' and '<'.

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Product Description

The new DG5 VHand data glove is a complete and innovative sensor. Thanks to its five embedded bend sensors, it is possible to accurately measure the finger movements, while the embedded 3 axes accelerometer allows to sense both the hand movements and the hand orientation (roll and pitch).

The glove communicates with external devices via a 4 wires connector. The transmission is made via TTL levels and it uses a standard RS232 protocol at 115200 bps, so interfacing the device to a PC or a microcontroller is really immediate.

The glove can be powered from 3.3V to 5V and it is really power safe, it consumes less than 20mA. It has been developed for wireless and autonomous operations and it can be powered with a battery, guaranteeing a long operative period.

The data glove can be used in different applications: robotics, motion capture, virtual reality, innovative games, rehabilitation and also as an innovative aid for disabled people.

Technical Characteristics

- **Power Supply**: from 3.3V to 5.0 V
- **Load Current**: 20mA
- **Operating Temperature**: from 0 to 50 °C
- **Storage Temperature**: from 0 to 70 °C
- **Finger Sensing Resolution**: 10 bit (1024 step)
- **Number of finger sensor**: 5 (one per finger)
- **Hand orientation resolution**: 0.5°
- **Measured Hand Acceleration**: from -2g to 2g
- **Sampling Rate**: 25Hz
- **Glove dimension**: one size fits many size (elastic). The glove is available both in right and left version
- **Output Connector**: standard AMP connector, 4 ways (GND, Vcc, TX and RX signals)
- **Output High (1) signal level (RX and TX)**: from 2.8 to 3.3V
- **Output Low (0) signal level (RX and TX)**: from 0.0V to 0.3V
Interfacing the dataglove

The output connector

Pin description:

- 1 (Black): GND
- 2 (Red): Vcc
- 3 (Green): RX
- 4 (Yellow): TX

Illustration 1: External connector, Pin numeration

In order to power the data glove, it is needed to provide a supply from 3.3V to 5.0V on the Vcc pin. The RX and the TX pin are used for the communication;

RX: receive, the dataglove listens here the data from the controlling device;

TX: transmit, the dataglove sends on this pin the data package, containing the dataglove status;

Communication Protocol:

Serial Port Setting:

Baud Rate: 115200 BPS
Data Bit: 8
Stop Bit: 1
Parity: NONE

- start transmission (controller to dataglove): send 's' to the glove;
- (Data glove to controller): the glove transmits the package continuously;
- stop transmission (controller to dataglove): send 'e' to the glove;

Package structure:

The glove continuously transmits to the host device the following 20 byte package:

1 - header = 0x20
2 - header = 0x0A
3 - length = 0x14 (20 byte)
4 - acceleration axis ax_l
5 - acceleration axis ax_h
6 - acceleration axis ay_l
7 - acceleration axis ay_h
8 - acceleration axis az_l
9 - acceleration axis az_h
10 - bend 0_l
11 - bend 0_h
12 - bend 1_l
13- bend 1_h
14- bend 2_l
15- bend 2_h
16 - bend 3_l
17 - bend 3_h
18 - bend 4_l
19 - bend 4_h
20 – crc

CRC represents the XOR of the first 19 bytes.
Bend value are from 0 to 1023 so only 10 bit are used.

The acceleration values are from -32767 to +32767.
The relative accelerations can be computed with the following relations:

\[
\begin{align*}
Acc_x &= 2 \times (ax_l + ax_h \times 128) \times sign(ax_h) / 32767; \\
Acc_y &= 2 \times (ay_l + ay_h \times 128) \times sign(ay_h) / 32767; \\
Acc_z &= 2 \times (az_l + az_h \times 128) \times sign(az_h) / 32767;
\end{align*}
\]

The value are from -2g to +2g.
**Finger reference:**

In the following picture are reported the finger reference for both the right and the left dataglove versions.

### Right Version:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Finger</th>
<th>Sensor</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Thumb</td>
<td>Bend 0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Index</td>
<td>Bend 1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Middle</td>
<td>Bend 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ring</td>
<td>Bend 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Little</td>
<td>Bend 4</td>
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### Left Version:

<table>
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<tr>
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<tr>
<td>Thumb</td>
<td>Bend 4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Index</td>
<td>Bend 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Middle</td>
<td>Bend 2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ring</td>
<td>Bend 1</td>
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<td>Little</td>
<td>Bend 0</td>
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</table>

*Illustration 2: Right dataglove: bend sensor reference*
Hand movement measures

**Acceleration axis reference:**

The dataglove incorporates a 3 axes accelerometer able to measure the hand acceleration along the 3 main axes. The hand orientations (roll and pitch) can be extracted from these information. In the following picture it is explained the data glove axes reference.

![Dataglove axes reference](Illustration 3: Data glove axes reference)

**Hand orientation: roll and pitch**

The accelerations can be divided in two types: dynamic and static. The 3 axes accelerometer measures both the types. A dynamic acceleration is a measure of the instantaneous movement of the hand along one a the three axes. Static accelerations are due to the the gravity force, for example rolling the hand around the y axis (roll) will modify the acceleration measured along the x axis and along the z axis, since the component of the gravity along these axes is modified, then the pitch angle can be deduced, for example, by getting the static measure of the x acceleration. Vice versa, rotating the hand along the x axis (pitch) will modify the measured y acceleration, so the pitch angle can be measured.

![Dataglove Roll and Pitch definition](Illustration 4: Roll and Pitch angle)
Accessories
The DG5 VHand 2.0 OEM is provided as is, so the customer has to develop its own communication board.

In order to facilitate and accelerate the developing, some accessories are available; this accessories can be bought separately or with the data glove DDK package (see later in this section).

VHand USB Cable
A TTL to USB cable which permits to immediately connect the data glove to a USB port of a PC. The cable provide also the Vcc, so an external power supply is not necessary;
RIF: VUSB

VHand Bluetooth Kit
A TTL to Bluetooth adapter with an external battery; simply connect the glove and the battery to the adapter and start communicating with the glove in a wireless way. A BlueTooth receiver or a PC with a BlueTooth connection is needed.
RIF: VBLUE

DG5 Vhand 2.0 DDK:
To facilitate the developers, two complete DDK (Device Developing Kit) are available.

DG5 VHand 2.0 USB DDK:
The kit comprises:
1 DG5 Vhand 2.0 OEM
1 TTL to USB adapter cable
1 CD containing all the software and the SDK (Software Developing Kit), with all the libraries needed to fast develop custom application.

Manuals and Datasheets
RIF: VUSB-DDK

DG5 Vhand 2.0 Bluetooth DDK:
The kit comprises:
1 DG5 Vhand 2.0 OEM
1 Bluetooth Kit (adaptor and battery)
1 CD containing all the software and the SDK (Software Developing Kit), with all the libraries needed to fast develop custom application.

Manuals and Datasheets
RIF: VBLUE-DDK
Software and Manuals Download:
The latest software and manual versions can be found here:
www.dg-tech.it/vhand/

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Users' Guide

TTS-EM-HD2
High Definition Speech Synthesizer Systems
Version 2.0 Release
Advanced Information
V 2.0 Rev A December 2012

Consult factory for final specifications prior to design-in

Version 3.3.21 or greater revision level
The TextSpeak ‘EM’ Text-To-Speech processor converts ASCII text directly to voice with unlimited vocabulary. The platform boasts multi-language capability on a sophisticated board level solution that accepts RS-232 and optional Ethernet input to provide high quality speech from text based data streams.

- Unlimited vocabulary Text to Speech generation
- Multi-language capability with ‘a-la-carte’ feature scalability
- Integrated command language and in stream control codes
- Dual audio output; Line Out and Speaker Amplifier (1w/8ohm)
- Switches seamlessly from TTS to pre-recorded files on the fly.
- Low power operation with auto power down and sleep modes
- Flash upgradeable for both revision and language enhancements
- RS-232 expandable to accept USB, Ethernet or 802.11 ASCII coded data
- Small footprint, 1" x 2" board incorporating standard .1" 1x10 headers
- Optional Ethernet, Automatic Level Control & integrated 25 watt amplifiers
- RoHS and Industrial Temp standard.

Applications

- Emergency Notification
- Alarm and security
- Transportation systems
- Signage to Speech
- Machine control interfaces
- Streaming text reader

Other Applications include:
Wireless audio transmitters and information systems, Email/SMS Readers, GPS/Navigation Systems, Warning systems, Machine accessories, Smart Pagers, Ticketing and Kiosks, disability compliance for hearing impaired individuals (ADA).
# Controls and Connections

## CN3 - Signal 1x10 Header Pin Description

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>CN3</th>
<th>Signal</th>
<th>1x10 Header Pin Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>CN3-1</td>
<td>GND</td>
<td>Analog ground</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN3-2</td>
<td>GND</td>
<td>System ground</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN3-3</td>
<td>RX</td>
<td>RS-232 Signal from HOST to TTS-EM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN3-4</td>
<td>TX</td>
<td>RS-232 Signal from TTS-EM to HOST</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN3-5,6</td>
<td>VCC</td>
<td>5 VDC Power</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN3-7</td>
<td>Speaker +</td>
<td>Speaker out + 400mw (8ohm) &gt; Refer to Note 1!</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN3-8</td>
<td>Speaker -</td>
<td>Speaker out - 400mw (8ohm) &gt; Refer to Note 1!</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN3-9</td>
<td>GND</td>
<td>System ground</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN3-10</td>
<td>Line Out</td>
<td>Unbalanced TTS audio output</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Note 1:** Speaker outputs pins are floated and balanced. They must be directly connected to speaker terminals. *Do not connect or reference pins 7 or 8 to ground!*

## CN2 - Signal 1x10 Header Pin Description

<table>
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<tr>
<th>CN2</th>
<th>Signal</th>
<th>1x10 Header Pin Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>CN2-1</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>Reserved for 3.6V powering option (consult factory)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN2-2</td>
<td>RX-DATA</td>
<td>Non-Inverted Serial Data from HOST to TTS-EM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN2-3</td>
<td>TX-DATA</td>
<td>Non-Inverted Serial Data from TTS-EM to HOST</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN2-4</td>
<td>nTALKING</td>
<td>Digital Output 1=Idle 0= Speech generation active</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5,6,7,8</td>
<td>Test</td>
<td>Test Pins/ Do not connect</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CN2-9,10</td>
<td>RS-Select</td>
<td>Connect 9 &amp; 10 to enable pins 2/3 for non-inverted digital serial I/O. Also disables the RS-232 signal stream</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
OEM-TTS-EM RS-232 interface - low level commands

Real time text may be continuously sent to the TTS-EM using RS-232 text transfer. TextSpeak TTS-EM will also speak phrases as you type in real time.

In manual typing mode pressing the Enter key <CR> to begin a speech playback. In streaming mode both ASCII <CR> or <DLE>1 will begin a speech playback.

Initial Setup and Manual Speech Generation

- Launch a standard Terminal program and select an RS-232 port.
- Set Communications to 115,200 bps (8,n,1)
- Insure that Hardware Flow control is set OFF
- Set Terminal Emulation to ANSI (optional)
- Power-up your TTS-EM (wait 10 seconds for self test)
- Type any phrase, followed by a the Enter key

<CR> is the convention for Enter, Carriage Return (ASCII 13, 0xD)
This is invokes sending a phrase to the TTS conversion routine
Menu Operation and Command Mode

Setup, information and special commands are available via the RS-232 COMMAND MODE interface

Options available in Command mode are:

- View current voice selections
- Change the default mode voice if several voices are activated
- Playback demonstrations of multi-language voices
- Edit the spoken power-up prompt
- Update programs features and revision
- Change serial baud rate

After Entering COMMAND MODE all TTS functions will be temporarily suspended

To enter COMMAND MODE a required sequence of 3 “+” characters must be manually typed (with 500-700ms pause between each character)

Example:

```
+++ 
```

will result in an RS-232 response:

```
CMD>
```

Press H to view available choices. The RS-232 screen will respond with a help menu.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>A</th>
<th>Adaptive Level</th>
<th>Set Adaptive Level Control (ALC), view ambient noise</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>B&quot;text&quot;</td>
<td>Boot TTS</td>
<td>Enter the text to be spoken at power-up (ex: b&quot;hello&quot;)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>Clear Screen</td>
<td>This will clear an ANSI terminal screen</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>Display Files</td>
<td>Show listing of files and memory in folder &quot;UserData&quot;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E</td>
<td>ignore ESC</td>
<td>Ignore ESC commands in the TTS stream</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>F</td>
<td>Flash Drive</td>
<td>Enable USB access to manage Flash memory</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>H</td>
<td>Help</td>
<td>This list</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I</td>
<td>Information</td>
<td>Get current settings information</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P#</td>
<td>Play Audio</td>
<td>Generate test tones (1=1khz,2=sweep,3=noise)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q#</td>
<td>Quiet Mode</td>
<td>'Q?' for options</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>S</td>
<td>Change Serial</td>
<td>115200,n,8,1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>T</td>
<td>TTS Mode</td>
<td>Go from CMD mode to TTS mode</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>U</td>
<td>Update</td>
<td>Update Firmware</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>V#</td>
<td>Select Voice</td>
<td>Select a voice slot</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>?</td>
<td>Review</td>
<td>Review current settings and information</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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Unique Identifier '{44B446BB-5AE6-A2EC-E94B-A5612AAAA1B6}'

HELP:
## Command Mode Overview

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>A</th>
<th>ALC</th>
<th>Automatic Level Control and Amplifier control (available on ENCx and TTS-HD3)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>B</td>
<td>Boot phrase to be spoken in TTS on power-up. (ex: B“anyphrase” &lt;CR&gt; )</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>Clears</td>
<td>terminal screen (ex: C &lt;CR&gt;)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>Display</td>
<td>audio files stored in local memory default folder “UserData”</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E</td>
<td>ESC</td>
<td>ON/OFF. Disable ESC sequence processing in data stream</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>F</td>
<td>Flash Drive</td>
<td>Enable USB port for audio or upgrade file transfer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>H</td>
<td>Help</td>
<td>Displays Help Menu</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I</td>
<td>Information</td>
<td>Display version and settings</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L#</td>
<td>Level</td>
<td>sets and saves audio volume output level #(0-9 range @ 4db/step)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P#</td>
<td>Playback Generate</td>
<td>playback of tones or test patterns #(0-3)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Q#</td>
<td>Quiet Modes. Set power-up audio announcement &amp; terminal duplex echo #(0-2)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>S</td>
<td>Serial</td>
<td>RS-232 Speed Change (ex: S115200 &lt;CR&gt;)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>T</td>
<td>TTS mode return. Exits command mode (CMD&gt;)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>U</td>
<td>Upgrade; reserved for field upgrades</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>V#</td>
<td>Voice</td>
<td>provides a means to choose a voice and set the power-up default voice. Refer to ‘?’ (below) to list available voices (ex: V1 &lt;CR&gt; selects voice “James”) #(0-400)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>?</td>
<td>Review voices. Provides information on available languages and voices.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Command Mode option “V#” provides a unique method to select and preview samples of voices in various languages. The “?” command will display a list of voices and their current availability. Active voices may be selected for TTS operation, or licensed. The screen below is a sample of voices for selection for 5 available languages.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Slot</th>
<th>Language</th>
<th>Status</th>
<th>Name</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>U.S. English</td>
<td>Not Installed</td>
<td>Carol</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>U.S. English</td>
<td>Activated</td>
<td>James</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>French/Canada</td>
<td>Not Installed</td>
<td>Celine</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>French/Canada</td>
<td>Not Installed</td>
<td>Antoine</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>German</td>
<td>Not Installed</td>
<td>Babschi</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>German</td>
<td>Not Installed</td>
<td>Manfred</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>U.K English</td>
<td>Not Installed</td>
<td>Melanie</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>U.K English</td>
<td>Not Installed</td>
<td>Leland</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>Spanish</td>
<td>Not Installed</td>
<td>Maria</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>Spanish</td>
<td>Not Installed</td>
<td>Santos</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>101</td>
<td>U.S. Premium</td>
<td>Activated</td>
<td>Susan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>102</td>
<td>U.S. Premium</td>
<td>Not Installed</td>
<td>Steven</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Current Voice = Slot 1

To purchase and activate a voice, contact sales@textspeak.com

Press H for Help Menu

The example cited above displays a list of voices. Status information displayed provides the following information:

- **Activated**: Voices are available for selection using “V” Command. The selected voice is saved in memory and started in power-up.
- **Not Activated**: The voice is installed, but not licensed for use. Contact sales@textspeak.com for purchase and licensing procedures.
- **Not Installed**: The voice is not installed in Flash Memory at the time of purchase. Contact TextSpeak for additional information.

Commonly used menu commands are **V#** and **?** to change voices and **T** return to TTS Mode from CMD prompt. For inline commands that may be used embedded within the spoken text stream refer to the next section.

For languages not shown please contact sales@textspeak.com for the latest pricing and availability of additional worldwide languages.
## Inline and Keyboard Control Codes

The table below reflects Keyboard/TYPED and RS-232/ASCII control

Numeral shown with ‘d’ indicate ASCII decimal values not character “d”

Conventions:  ▶️ = 16d and  <esc> = 27d  or a keyboard ESC key

Example:  ▶️2 is ASCII data decimal 16 and 2 (0x10,0x02)  <esc>! is 23

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ACTION</th>
<th>TYPED</th>
<th>ASCII</th>
<th>ECHO</th>
<th>REMARK</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>INVOKE SPEECH</td>
<td>&lt;CR&gt;</td>
<td>▶️&lt;02d&gt;</td>
<td>▶️&lt;2d&gt;</td>
<td>Begin a TTS of text in buffer.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>STOP CAPTURE</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>▶️&lt;25d&gt;</td>
<td>▶️&lt;25d&gt;</td>
<td>End of Medium. Stop adding text to speech buffer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RESTART CAPTURE</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>▶️&lt;30d&gt;</td>
<td>▶️&lt;30d&gt;</td>
<td>Start capturing text, add text to buffer.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PLAY FILE</td>
<td>&lt;esc&gt; p “any.wav”</td>
<td>▶️p”any.wav”</td>
<td>[ACK] &lt;06d&gt;</td>
<td>Begin synchronous playback of recorded audio file “any.wav”</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CANCEL</td>
<td>&lt;esc&gt;</td>
<td>▶️&lt;24d&gt;</td>
<td>▶️&lt;24d&gt;</td>
<td>Cancel/Abort speech in progress and clear buffer.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>REPEAT</td>
<td>&lt;esc&gt;/</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>Repeat (must follow a space and precede the &lt;CR)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VOL DN</td>
<td>&lt;esc&gt; (</td>
<td>▶️&lt;14d&gt;</td>
<td>[Vol=#]</td>
<td>Volume Down, 0-9, 10 steps</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VOL UP</td>
<td>&lt;esc&gt; )</td>
<td>▶️&lt;15d&gt;</td>
<td>[Vol=#]</td>
<td>Volume Up 0-9, 0-9, 10 steps</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VOL SET</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>▶️&lt;18d&gt;#</td>
<td>▶️&lt;18d&gt;</td>
<td>Volume Set, #=0-9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SLEEP</td>
<td>&lt;esc&gt;!</td>
<td>▶️&lt;23d&gt;</td>
<td>▶️&lt;23d&gt;</td>
<td>Enter Suspend mode. Wake on next (dummy) character</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

## RESPONSES  (INDICATES STATUS, SUCH AS SPEECH CONVERTING OR FINISHED TTS)

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<th>TYPED</th>
<th>ASCII</th>
<th>ECHO</th>
<th>REMARK</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ACTIVE</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>▶️&lt;01d&gt;</td>
<td>TTS Speech generation in progress</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>IDLE</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>▶️&lt;03d&gt;</td>
<td>End of TTS Speech generation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OK</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>[ACK] &lt;06d&gt;</td>
<td>Command Acknowledgment</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WAKE</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>n/a</td>
<td>▶️&lt;26d&gt;</td>
<td>Awake from sleep, characters will be processed</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
**Inline (real-time) Language/Voice/Audio File Playback**

The code sequence is `<ESC> [digit]` in ASCII will execute a real-time voice change. The [digit] numbers, ASCII "0"-"9" are the voices, in order, as listed in the voice listing menu. Voices change in about 2-3 seconds.

One exception for switching times is transitions between Steven and Susan... (101 and 102). These changes require 6-8 seconds.

**EXAMPLE**

This sample text below demonstrates both spoken and non-spoken data with pre-recorded audio files. (tone1.wav and tone2.wav are factory recorded files). Sample below uses default root, indicated by "\". Default user folder is "UserData" and does not require the "\".

```
**ESC** p"\tone1.wav" Express 32, arriving in 2 minutes on track 12, for all points South. **DLE** EM This text is in-line data that is not spoken by the TTS processor **DLE** RS Please expect delays **ESC** p"\tone2.wav". End of test. **CR**
```

[download online sample]

**Software Utilities**

TextSpeak **EM-FX** software utility simplifies software upgrades and audio file transfers for TTS-EM-HD2 and HD3 products using the TTS speech data channel.

Downloads and additional information is at [www.textspeak.com/doc.htm](http://www.textspeak.com/doc.htm)
Using the TTS-HD2-EK motherboard

TTS-EM optional mini-motherboard provides all the connections for test and evaluation of your TTS-EM module.

The motherboard is detachable from the main PCB. *To separate, manually snap PCB at scored line*.

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<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Pin</th>
<th>Signal</th>
<th>2x5 Header Pin Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
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**Note 1:** Speaker outputs pins are floated and balanced. They must be directly connected to speaker terminals. *Do not connect or reference pins 7 or 8 to ground!*
## Accessories and Options

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