# CRT Video Attributes Controller VAC 

## FEATURES

On chip video shift register ( 28.5 MHz max.)On chip attributes logic Reverse video Character blank Character blink Underline Full/half intensityFour modes of operationWide graphics
Thin graphics
Character mode without underline Character mode with underlineOn Chip logic for double height/double width characters
$\square$ Accepts scan line information in parallel or serial formatFour cursor modes dynamically selectable via 2 input pins

Underline
Blinking underline
Reverse video
Blinking reverse videoProgrammable character blink rate
$\square$ Programmable cursor blink rate

PIN CONFIGURATION


On chip data and attribute latches+5 volt operation
TTL compatible
MOS n-Channel silicon gate COPLAMOS® process
Compatible with CRT 5037 VTAC ${ }^{\circledR}$; CRT 9007 VPAC ${ }^{\text {™ }}$

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The SMC CRT 9021 Video Attributes Controller (VAC) is an n-channel COPLAMOS MOS/LSI device containing Graphics logic, attributes logic, data and attributes latches, cursor control, and a high speed video shift register. The CRT 9021, a character generator ROM and a CRT controller such as the CRT 9007 provide all of the major circuitry for the display portion of a CRT video terminal.
The CRT 9021 serial video output may be connected directly to a CRT monitor's video input. The maximum video shift register frequency of 28.5 MHz allows for CRT displays of up to 132 characters per data row.

The CRT 9021 attributes include: reverse video, underline, character blank, character blink, and full/ half intensity selection. In addition, when used in conjunction with the CRT 9007 VPAC, ${ }^{\text {TM }}$, the CRT 9021 will provide double height or double width characters.

Four programmable cursor modes are provided on the CRT 9021. They are: underline, blinking under-
line, reverse video character block, and blinking reverse video character block. When used in the serial scan line input mode, the cursor mode may be selected via two input pins. When used in the parallel scan line input mode, the cursor mode is a mask program option and is fixed at the time of manufacture.

Two graphics modes are provided. In the wide graphics mode, the CRT 9021 produces a graphic entity the size of the character block. The graphic entity contains eight parts, each of which is associated with one bit of the input byte, thereby providing 256 unique graphic symbols. The thin graphics mode enables the user to create thin line drawings and forms.

In both graphics modes, continuous horizontal and vertical lines may be drawn. Additional flexibility is provided by allowing the mask programming of the placement and dimensions of the blocks or lines within a character block. In the thin graphics mode, mask programming allows serrated horizontal or vertical lines.


FIGURE 1: CRT 9021 BLOCK DIAGRAM

## DESCRIPTION OF PIN FUNCTIONS

| PIN NO. | NAME | SYMBOL | FUNCTION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{gathered} 1,28,27,26, \\ 25,24,23, \\ 22 \end{gathered}$ | Data | D7-D0 | In the character mode, the data on these inputs is passed through the Attributes logic into the 8 bit high speed video shift register. The binary information on D7 will be the first bit output after the LD/SH input goes low. <br> In the thin or wide graphics mode these 8 inputs will individually control the on/off condition of the particular portion of the character block or line drawing. Figures 2 and 3 illustrate the wide and thin graphics modes respectively and their relationships to D7-D0 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | Mode Select 0 Mode Select 1 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { MS0 } \\ & \text { MS1 } \end{aligned}$ | These 2 inputs define the four modes of operation of the CRT 9021 as follows: <br> MS1, MS0 $=00$; Wide graphics mode <br> $=10$; Thin graphics mode <br> = 01; Character mode without underline <br> = 11; Character mode with underline <br> See section entitled Display Modes for details. |
| 4 | Reverse Video | REVID | When this input and Retrace Blank (RETBL) are both low, data from the Attributes and Graphics logic is presented directly to the video shift register. When this input is high and RETBL is low, the Attribute and Graphics logic will invert the data before presenting it to the video shift register. |
| 5 | Character blank | CHABL | When this input is high, the parallel inputs to the video shift register are all set low (or high depending on the state of REVID) thus providing a constant video level for the entire length of the character block. |
| 6 | Blink | BLINK | When this input is high and both the RETBL and CHABL inputs are low, the character will blink at the programmed character blink rate. Blinking is accomplished by causing the video to go to the background level during the "off" portion of the Character Blink cycle. This video level may be either the white or black level depending on state of REVID. The duty cycle for the character blink is $75 / 25$ (on/ off). This input is ignored if it coincides with the CURSOR input and the cursor is formatted to blink. |
| 7 | Intensity In | INTIN | The INTIN input along with the INTOUT output provides a user controlled general purpose attribute. Data input to INTIN will appear at INTOUT with the same delay as that from any other attribute input to the serial video output (VIDEO). By using an external mixing circuit, it is possible to raise or lower the voltage level of the video output to produce such attributes as "half intensity" or "intensity". |

DESCRIPTION OF PIN FUNCTIONS CONT'D
$\left.\begin{array}{|c|l|c|l|}\hline \text { PIN NO. } & \text { NAME } & \text { SYMBOL } & \text { FUNCTION } \\ \hline 8 & \text { Supply Voltage } & \text { +5V } & \text { +5 volt power supply } \\ \hline 9 & \begin{array}{l}\text { Attribute } \\ \text { Enable }\end{array} & \text { ATTEN } & \begin{array}{l}\text { When this input is high, the internal attribute latch is updated at the positive going } \\ \text { edge of the LD/SH input with data appearing on the REVID, CHABL, MS1, MS0, } \\ \text { BLINK and INTIN inputs. By selectively bringing this input high, the user will }\end{array} \\ \text { update the attribute only at specific character times; all subsequent characters } \\ \text { will carry with them the attributes last updated thus allowing "field" or "embed- } \\ \text { ded" attributes. When using a wide video memory where attribute bits are } \\ \text { attached to every character, the internal attribute latch may be updated at each } \\ \text { character by tieing this input high (thus allowing for "invisible" attributes). }\end{array}\right\}$

## ATTRIBUTES FUNCTION

| Retrace Blank | -The RETBL input causes the VIDEO to go to the zero (black) level regardless of the state of all other inputs. |  | grammed to blink (not controlled by the BLINK input), the video alternates from normal to reverse video at |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reverse Video | -The REVID input causes inverted data to be loaded into the video shift register. |  | $50 \%$ duty cycle. The cursor blink rate always overrides the character blink rate when they both appear at the |
| Character Blank | -The CHABL input forces the video to go to the current background level as defined by Reverse Video. | Intensity (Half Intensity) | same character position. <br> -The INTIN input and the INTOUT output allow an intensity (or half |
| Underline | $-\mathrm{MS} 1, \mathrm{MS0}=1,1$ forces the video to go to the inverse of the background level for the scan line(s) programmed for underline. |  | intensity) attribute to be carried through the pipeline of the CRT 9021 An external mixer can be used to combine VIDEO and INTOUT to cre |
| Blink | -The BLINK input will cause characters to blink by forcing the video to the background level $25 \%$ of the time and allowing the normal video for $75 \%$ of the time. When the cursor is pro- | Table 1 illustra attributes as a SOR and RET | ate the desired video level. See figure 8. <br> effect of the REVID, CHABL, UNDLN on of the cursor format and the CURouts. |

TABLE 1: CRT 9021 ATTRIBUTE COMBINATIONS

| CURSOR FORMAT | CRT 9021 INPUTS |  |  |  |  | VIDEO SHIFT REGISTER LOADED WITH: |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | RETBL | CURSOR | REVID | CHABL | UNDLN |  |  |
| X | 1 | X | X | X | X | all zero's |  |
|  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | data |  |
|  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | One's for selected scan line(s); Data for all other scan lines. |  |
|  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | X | All zero's |  |
|  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | data |  |
|  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | Zero's for selected scan line(s); data for all other scan lines. |  |
|  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | $X$ | One's for all scan lines. |  |
|  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | X | One's for selected scan line(s) for cursor; data for all other scan lines. |  |
| UN | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | $\mathrm{X}^{1}$ | One's for selected scan line(s) for cursor; zero's for all other scan lines. |  |
| NDERLINE | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | X | Zero's for selected scan line(s) for cursor; Data for all other scan lines. |  |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | ${ }^{1}$ | Zero's for selected scan line(s) for cursor; one's for all other scan lines. |  |
|  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | X | One's for selected scan line(s) blinking; Data for all other scan lines. |  |
| BLINKING ${ }^{3}$ | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | X ${ }^{1}$ | One's for selected scan line(s) blinking; zero's for all other scan lines. |  |
| UNDERLINE ${ }^{2}$ | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | X | Zero's for selected scan line(s) blinking; Data for all other scan lines. |  |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | $\mathrm{X}^{\prime}$ | Zero's for selected scan line(s) blinking; one's for all other scan lines. |  |
|  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Data for all scan lines. |  |
|  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | Zero's for selected scan line(s) for underline; data for all other scan lines. |  |
| REVIDBLOCK | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | $X$ | One's for all scan lines. |  |
| Revidblock | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Data for all scan lines |  |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | One's for selected scan line(s) for underline; data for all other scan lines. |  |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | X | Zero's for all scan lines. |  |
| BLINKING ${ }^{3}$ REVID BLOCK | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | On <br> $\overline{\text { Data }}$ for all scan lines. | Off <br> Data for all scan lines. |
|  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | Zero's for selected scan line(s) for underline; Data for all other scan lines. | One's for selected scan line(s) for underline; Data for all other scan lines. |
|  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | X | One's for all scan lines. | Zero's for all scan lines. |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Data for all scan lines. | Data for all scan lines. |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | One's for selected scan line(s); Data for all other scan lines. | Zero's for selected scan line(s); Data for all other scan lines. |
|  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | X | Zero's for all scan lines. | One's for all scan lines. |

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## DISPLAY MODES

Inputs MS1 and MS0 select one of four display modes. All attributes except underline operate independent of the display mode used. Figures 8 a and 8 b illustrate a typical CRT 9021 configuration which operates in all display modes for both the parallel and serial scan line modes respectively. MS1, MS0 = 00 $\begin{aligned} & \text { - Wide Graphics Mode. } \\ & \text { In this display mode, inputs D7-D0 }\end{aligned}$ In this display mode, inputs D7-D0
define a graphics entity as illustrated in figure 2. Note that individual bits in D7-D0 will illuminate particular portions of the character block. Table 2 shows all programming ranges possible when defining the wide graphic boundaries. No underline is possible in this display mode.
MS1, MSO = 10

MS1, MSO = 01

MS1,MS0 = 11
the character block. Table 3 shows all programming ranges possible when defining the thin graphics boundaries. No underline is possible in this display mode.
-Character Mode Without Underline. In this display mode, inputs D7-D0 go directly from the input latch to the video shift register via the Attributes and Graphics logic. This mode requires either a bit mapped system RAM ( 1 bit in RAM equals 1 pixal on the CRT) or an external character generator as shown in figures 8 a and 8 b .
-Character Mode With Underline. Same operation as MS1, MS0 $=01$ with the underline attribute appearing on the scan line(s) mask programmed.

SL3-SL0 ROW \# C7 C6 C5 C4 C3 C2 C1 C0 BF BF o o o


FIGURE 2: WIDE GRAPHICS MODE FOR STANDARD CRT 9021


FIGURE 3: THIN GRAPHICS MODE FOR STANDARD CRT 9021

## BACKFILL

Backfill is a mechanism that allows a character width of Method B greater than 8 dots and provides dot information (usually blanks) for all dot positions beyond 8 . The character width is defined by the period of the LD/SH input. For the character modes, backfill is added to the tail end of the character by two methods which are mask programmable.
Method A - The backfill (BF) dots will be the same as the dot displayed in position C7.

- The backfill (BF) dots will be the same as the dot displayed in position C 0 .

For the wide graphics mode, the backfill dots will always be the same as the dot displayed in position C0 (method B) with no programmable option.

## CURSOR FORMATS

Four cursor formats are possible with the CRT 9021. If the parallel scan line input mode is used, one of four cursor formats may be selected as a mask programmed option. If the serial scan line input mode is used, the cursor format is selected via input pins 16 and 17 (SL3/BKC, SL2/BLC). See Table 5. The four cursor modes are as follows:

Underline $\quad$ - The cursor will appear as an underline. The position and width of the cursor underline is mask programmed.
Blinking Underline - The cursor will appear as an underline. The underline will alternate between normal and reverse video at the mask programmed cursor blink rate.
Reverse Video Block

Blinking Reverse Video Block
cell will be displayed in reverse video).
-The cursor will appear as a reverse video block and the entire block (character plus background) will alternate between normal and reverse video at the masked programmed cursor blink rate.

| Scan Line <br> Input Mode | Pin 17 | Pin 16 | Cursor Function |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 0 | 0 | Underline <br> Serial1 <br> 1 |
| Parallel | X | X | Reverse Video Block <br> Blinking Underline <br> Blinking Reverse <br> Video Block |
|  | X | Mask programmable <br> Only |  |

TABLE 5: CURSOR FORMATS

## DOUBLE WIDTH MODE

In order to display double width characters, video must be shifted out at half frequency and the video shift register must receive new information (parallel load) every other $\overline{\mathrm{LD}} / \mathrm{SH}$ input pulse. In order to divide the video dot clock (VDC) and the $\overline{L D} / S H$ pulse internally at the proper time, the cursor input should be pulsed during RETBL prior to the scan line to be displayed as double width. The CURSOR input must remain low for a minimum of $1 \overline{\mathrm{LD}} / \mathrm{SH}$ period from the leading edge of RETBL. The CURSOR input can stay high for the entire RETBL time but should not extend into active video. If it does, a cursor will be displayed. It is assumed that the CRT con-
troller knows when a particular scan line should be double width and it should activate the CURSOR in the manner just described. Double height/double width characters can also be displayed if the scan line count is incremented by the CRT controller every other scan line. With respect to the CRT 9021, no distinction between double width and double height display is necessary. Figure 4 illustrated timing for both single and double width modes. The CRT 9007, which supports double height double width characters, will produce the CURSOR signal as required by the CRT 9021 with no additional hardware.

## SCAN LINE INPUT MODES

Scan line information can be introduced into the CRT 9021 in parallel format or serial format. Table 6 illustrates the pin definition as a function of the scan line input mode. The CRT 9021 will automatically recognize the proper scan line mode by observing the activity on pin 18. In parallel mode, this input will be stable for at least 1 scan line and in serial mode this input will remain low for about 5 or $6 \overline{\mathrm{LD} / S H}$ periods. If pin 18 goes active low for less than seven but more than two continuous $\overline{\mathrm{LD}} / \mathrm{SH}$ periods during the last scan line that has an active low on the VSYNC input, the serial mode will be locked in for the next field. The parallel scan line input
mode will be selected for the next field if the following two conditions occur during VSYNC low time. First, at least one positive transition must occur on pin 18 and second, pin 18 must be low for seven or more $\overline{L D} / \mathrm{SH}$ periods. Refer to figure 7 for timing details.

| Scan Line <br> Input Mode | CRT 9021 Pin Number |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 19 | 18 | 17 | 16 |
| Serial | SLD | SLG | BLC | BKC |
| Parallel | SL0 | SL1 | SL2 | SL3 |

TABLE 6: PIN DEFINITION FOR PARALLEL AND SERIAL SCAN LINE MODES

## PROGRAM OPTIONS

The CRT 9021 has a variety of mask programmed options. Tables 2 and 3 illustrate the range of these options for the wide and thin graphics modes respectively. Table 4 illus-
trates the range of the miscellaneous mask programmed options. In addition, Tables 2, 3 and 4 show the mask programmed options for the standard CRT 9021.


FIGURE 4: CRT 9021 FUNCTIONAL I/O TIMING

## SECTION V

## MAXIMUM GUARANTEED RATINGS*


*Stresses above those listed may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress rating only and functional operation of the device at these or at any other condition above those indicated in the operational sections of this specification is not implied.

NOTE: When powering this device from laboratory or system power supplies, it is important that the Absolute Maximum Ratings not be exceeded or device failure can result. Some power supplies exhibit voltage spikes or "glitches" on their outputs when the AC power is switched on and off. In addition, voltage transients on the AC power line may appear on the DC output. If this possibility exists it is suggested that a clamp circuit be used.


| PARAMETER | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT | COMMENTS ${ }^{\text {sech }}$ cition |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DC CHARACTERISTICS INPUT VOLTAGE LEVELS <br> Low Level $\mathrm{V}_{11}$ <br> High Level $V_{1+1}$ <br> High Level $\mathrm{V}_{1+2}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.0 \\ & 4.3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | 0.8 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V} \\ & \mathrm{~V} \\ & \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ | All inputs except VDC, $\overline{\mathrm{LD}} / \mathrm{SH}$ For VDC, $\overline{\mathrm{LD}} / \mathrm{SH}$ input |
| OUTPUT VOLTAGE LEVELS Low Level $V_{o L}$ High Level $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{OH}}$ | 2.4 |  | 0.4 | $\begin{aligned} & V \\ & V \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{OL}}=0.4 \mathrm{~mA} \\ & \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{OH}}=100 \mu \mathrm{~A} \end{aligned}$ |
| INPUT LEAKAGE CURRENT <br> Leakage $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{L}}$ <br> Leakage $\mathrm{I}_{12}$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 10 \\ 50 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mu \mathrm{A} \\ & \mu \mathrm{~A} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $0 \leqslant \mathrm{~V}_{1 \mathrm{~N}}<\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{cc}}$; excluding VDC, $\overline{\mathrm{LD}} / \mathrm{SH}$ $0 \leqslant V_{1 N} \leqslant V_{c c}$; for VDC LD/SH |
| INPUT CAPACITANCE $\mathrm{C}_{\text {IN1 }}$ $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{IN2} 2}$ $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{IN} 3}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \\ & 20 \\ & 25 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | pf pf pf | Excluding VDC, $\overline{\mathrm{LD}} / \mathrm{SH}$ <br> For LD/SH <br> For VDC |
| POWER SUPPLY CURRENT $I_{c c}$ |  | 50 |  | mA |  |

AC CHARACTERISTICS

| PARAMETER | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT | COMMENTS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| VDC <br> $1 / t_{\text {cri }} \mathrm{VDC}$ frequency $t_{\text {ckL }}$ VDC low $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{cKH}}$ VDC high $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{CKA}} \mathrm{VDC}$ rise time $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{CKF}}$ VDC fall time | $\begin{aligned} & 1.0 \\ & 10 \\ & 10 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 28.5 \\ & \\ & 7.5 \\ & 7.5 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{MHZ} \\ \mathrm{~ns} \\ \mathrm{~ns} \\ \mathrm{~ns} \\ \mathrm{~ns} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Measured from $10 \%$ to $90 \%$ points Measured from $90 \%$ to $10 \%$ points |
| $\begin{gathered} \hline \overline{\mathrm{LD}} / \mathrm{SH} \\ \mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{cr} 2} \\ \mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{s} 1} \\ \mathbf{t}_{\mathrm{H} 1} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 315 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ns } \\ & \text { ns } \\ & \text { ns } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| $\qquad$ | $\begin{gathered} 35 \\ 0 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ns } \\ & \text { ns } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| MISCELLANEOUS TIMING $t_{\text {PD }}$ $t_{\text {w }}$ | $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{cr} 2}$ |  | 35 | ns | $c_{L}=15 \mathrm{pf}$ |



FIGURE 5: CRT 9021 INPUT/OUTPUT TIMING


FIGURE 6: SERIAL SCAN LINE MODE TIMING


TABLE 2
WIDE GRAPHICS MASK PROGRAMMING OPTIONS

| OPTION | CHOICES | STANDARD CRT 9021 |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| Height of graphic block* | any scan lines(s) | R0, R1, R2 |
| D7 and D3 | any scan line(s) | R3, R4, R5 |
| D6 and D2 | any scan line(s) | R6, R7, R8 |
| D5 and D1 | any scan line(s) | R9, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14, R15 |
| D4 and D0 | any number of dots 0 to 8 | C7, C6, C5, C4 |
| Width of D7, D6, D5, D4** | any number of dots 0 to 8 | C3, C2, C1, C0, BF |
| Width of D3, D2, D1, D0** |  |  |

* Any graphic block pair can be removed by programming for zero scan lines.
** Total number of dots for both must be equal to the total dots per character with no overlap.

TABLE 3
THIN GRAPHICS MASK PROGRAMMING OPTIONS

| OPTION | CHOICES | STANDARD CRT 9021 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Backfill | C1 or C0 | C0 |
| Horizontal portion for |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { D2 and D3 } \\ & \text { D4 } \\ & \text { D5 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | any scan line(s) R0-R15 any scan line(s) R0-R15 any scan line(s) R0-R15 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { R5 } \\ & \text { R0 } \\ & \text { R11 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| Blanked dots for serrated horizontal lines |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { D2 } \\ & \text { D3 } \\ & \text { D4 } \\ & \text { D5 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | any $\operatorname{dot}(\mathrm{s}) \mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{CO}, \mathrm{BF}$ any dot(s) C7-C0, BF any $\operatorname{dot}(\mathrm{s}) \mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{CO}, \mathrm{BF}$ any $\operatorname{dot}(\mathrm{s}) \mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{CO}, \mathrm{BF}$ | none none none none |
| Vertical position for |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { D0 and D1 } \\ & \text { D6' } \\ & \text { D7' } \end{aligned}$ | any dot(s) $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{CO}, \mathrm{BF}$ any $\operatorname{dot}(\mathrm{s}) \mathrm{C} 6-\mathrm{C0}, \mathrm{BF}$ any $\operatorname{dot}(\mathrm{s}) \mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{CO}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C} 3 \\ & \mathrm{BF} \\ & \mathrm{C} 7 \end{aligned}$ |
| Vertical length for |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { D0 } \\ & \text { D1 } \\ & \text { D6 } \\ & \text { D7 } \end{aligned}$ | any scan line(s) <br> all scan lines not used by D0 no choice; always R0-R15 no choice; always R0-R15 | R0 to R5 <br> R6 to R15 <br> R0 to R15 <br> R0 to R15 |

1-D7 must always come before D6 with no overlap; otherwise D6 is lost.

TABLE 4
MISCELLANEOUS MASK PROGRAMMING OPTIONS

| OPTION | CHOICES | STANDARD CRT 9021 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Backfill in character mode | C7 to C0 | C7 |
| Character blink rate <br> (division of $\overline{\text { VSYNC frequency) }}$ | 8 to 60 even numbers <br> $(7.5 \mathrm{~Hz} \text { to } 1 \mathrm{~Hz})^{\prime}$ | $(1.875 \mathrm{~Hz})^{1}$ |
| Cursor blink rate ${ }^{2}$ | Twice the character <br> blink rate | 16 |
| character underline position $^{\text {cursor underline }{ }^{3}}$ | any scan line(s) R0-R15 | R11 |
| cursor format ${ }^{4}$ | any scan line(s) R0-R15 |  |
| underline <br> Blinking underline <br> Reverse video block <br> Blinking reverse video block | not applicable |  |

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FIGURE 8b: CRT 9021 SYSTEM CONFIGURATION IN
SERIAL SCAN LINE MODE


[^0]:    1 - if the programmed scan line(s) for cursor and underline coincide, the cursor takes precedence; otherwise both are displayed.
    2-at programmed scan line(s) for underline
    3 - at cursor blink rate
    Note-cursor blink rate overrides character blink rate.

[^1]:    1- Assumes $\overline{\text { VSYNC }}$ input frequency of 60 Hz .
    2 - Valid only if the cursor is formatted to blink.
    3 - Valid only if the cursor is formatted for underline.
    4 - Valid for the parallel scan line mode only.

