Device: LCD-0802

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Description: 8 character x 2 line LCD display with Parallel interface
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Introduction

The LCD-0802 is an 8 character by 2 line liquid crystal display, with parallel interface.

Features

With optional backlight, the display can be viewed in darkness and has a fully adjustable contrast.

It’s perfect for making displaying more information about what is happening with your project.

It is available in 5V and 3.3V versions.

Construction

It’s all pre-built! Just add female or male header pins, or solder directly to the board, and away you go.

Connections

The LCD-0802 has one connection port.

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Technical details

Power

The LCD-0802 can be powered with 3.3V (LCD-0802-3.3V) or 5V (LCD-0802-5V). The display itself consumes around 2mA. The backlight can consume up to 80mA and can be controlled using PWM to adjust the brightness.

A current limiting resistor (say 330R) for the backlight is important.
**Contrast**
The contrast setting requires a voltage between 0V and VDD, which can be achieved by using a 10K potentiometer. Simply connect one end of the potentiometer to VSS and the wiper to VO. Then as you turn the potentiometer, you will supply different voltages to the V0 pin, which will adjust the contrast. Usually you will only need to set this once.

Alternatively, you can supply a voltage using your microcontroller’s digital to analogue converter, or use PWM and a filter to achieve the same result (both of which will give you programmable contrast adjustment).

**Display commands**
This device uses the HD44780 LCD controller, which is in practically every LCD known to humankind. There are bucket loads of website covering the commands of this controller IC.

**Dimensions**

![Dimensions Diagram]

*All dimensions in mm.*

**Versions**

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