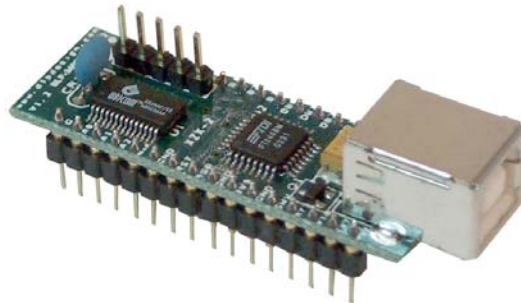




## DLP-245SX

### USB / Microcontroller Module



The DLP-245SX combines the same USB interface used in the DLP-USB245M module with a Ubicom SX28 microcontroller to form a rapid development tool. The SX28 microcontroller is preprogrammed with basic functionality for accessing the port pins and can be reprogrammed with user hex code via a 5-pin header (4 pins used) that is compatible with the DLP-FLASH device programmer (purchased separately).

#### **DLP-245SX FEATURES**

- Send/receive data over USB to a host computer at up to 7 megabits per second
- 7 digital I/O lines plus the 8-bit data bus available for interfacing to user electronics
- Ubicom SX28 processor with 2K FLASH ROM and 136 bytes RAM
- “Token I/O” code preprogrammed into the SX28’s ROM for basic port pin input/output capability including access to external digital temperature sensors.
- ROM can be easily erased and reprogrammed with the DLP FLASH programmer (purchased separately) or a user-supplied compatible programmer
- No in-depth knowledge of USB is required as all USB protocol is handled automatically by the on-board FT245BM and its support circuitry
- Royalty-free device drivers eliminate the need for USB driver development in most cases
- USB bulk or isochronous data-transfer modes
- Required 5V supply can be taken directly from the USB port or supplied by user electronics

- USB 1.1 and USB 2.0 compatible
- USB VID, PID, serial number, and product description strings stored in on-board EEPROM
- Virtual com port (VCP) drivers for:
  - Windows 98 and Windows 98 SE
  - Windows 2000/ME/XP
  - Windows CE\*\*
  - MAC OS-8 and OS-9
  - MAC OS-X\*\*
  - Linux 2.40 and greater
- D2XX (USB direct drivers + DLL S/W interface)
  - Windows 98 and Windows 98 SE
  - Windows 2000/ME/XP

\*\* In planning or under development.

### **APPLICATION AREAS**

- Prototype development
- USB ISDN and ADSL modems
- USB interface for digital cameras
- USB interface for MP3 players
- High-speed USB instrumentation
- USB smart-card readers
- Set top box (STB) PC-USB interface
- USB hardware modems
- USB wireless modems
- USB bar code readers

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The DLP-245SX provides a cost-effective, microcontroller-based method of interfacing an electronic peripheral to a host computer via USB.

To send data from the peripheral to the host computer, the microcontroller simply writes the byte-wide data into the FT245BM when TXE# is low. If the FT245BM's transmit buffer fills up or is busy storing the previously written byte, it will take its TXE# high in order to stop further data from being written until some of the FIFO data has been transferred over USB to the host.

When the host sends data to the peripheral over USB, the FT245BM will take RXF# low to let the microcontroller know that at least one byte of data is available. The microcontroller then reads the data until RXF# goes high indicating that no more data is available to read.

By using FTDI's virtual COM port drivers, the peripheral looks like a standard COM port to the application software. Commands to set the baud rate are ignored--the FT245BM always transfers data at its fastest rate (up to 3 megabits per second using VCP drivers, 7 mbps using the DLL drivers) regardless of the application's baud-rate setting. The latest versions of the drivers are available for download from DLP Design's website at <http://www.dlpdesign.com>.

## DRIVER SOFTWARE

FTDI's VCP (virtual COM port) driver-executable files are provided royalty free on the condition that they are used only with designs incorporating an FTDI device (i.e. the FT245BM and DLP-245SX). The latest version of the drivers can be downloaded from [dlpdesign.com](http://dlpdesign.com) or [ftdichip.com](http://ftdichip.com).

The VCP driver download file is a combined set of drivers for Windows 98, Windows ME, and Windows 2000/XP. Unzip the file to a blank floppy disk or folder on your PC. (The drivers can coexist on the same floppy disk or folder since the INF files determine which set of drivers to load for each operating system version.) Once loaded, the VCP drivers allow your application software running on the host PC to communicate with the DLP-245SX as though it were connected to a COM (RS-232) port.

In addition to VCP drivers, FTDI's D2XX direct drivers for Windows offer an alternative solution to the VCP drivers that allow application software to interface with the DLP-245SX using a DLL

instead of a virtual com port. The architecture of the D2XX drivers consists of a Windows WDM driver that communicates with the FT245BM device via the Windows USB stack and a DLL that interfaces the application software (written in VC++, C++ Builder, Delphi, VB, etc.) to the WDM driver. An INF installation file, uninstaller program, and D2XX Programmer's Guide complete the package.

The D2XX direct drivers add support for simultaneous access and control of multiple FT245BM devices. The extended open function (FT\_OpenEx) allows the device to be opened either by its product description or serial number, both of which can be programmed to be unique. The list devices function (FT-ListDevices) allows the application software to determine which devices are currently available for use, again by product description or by serial number.

Several new features have been recently added to the D2XX drivers. Functions are provided to program the EEPROM (FT\_EE\_Program) and read the EEPROM (FT\_EE\_Read). Unused space in the EEPROM is called the user area (EEUA), and functions are provided to access the EEUA. FT\_EE\_UASize gets its size, FT\_EE\_UAWrite writes data into it, and FT\_EE\_UARead is used to read its contents.

***Download FTDI Application Notes AN232-03, AN232-05, AN232-06, and AN232-07 for detailed instructions on how to install and remove the drivers.***

## **EEPROM WRITE UTILITY**

The DLP-245SX has the option to accept manufacturer-specific information that is written into the on-board 93C46 EEPROM. Parameters that can be programmed include the VID and the PID identifiers, the manufacturer's product string, and a serial number.

FTD2XXST is the latest EEPROM serializer and testing utility from FTDI for the FT245BM device. It replaces the VCP-based 232Prog utility. FTD2XXST is based on the new D2XX drivers and will work on Windows 98, Windows ME, and Windows 2000/XP platforms. You must install the latest release of the D2XX drivers in order to run this application. (Refer to the SER200.PDF guide that is included in the EEPROM write utility's download zip file for details on how to use the serializer.)

The DLP Design Test Application V2.0, available from DLP Design as a separate purchase, can also be used to program the DLP-245SX's EEPROM with manufacturer-specific strings. For more details visit <http://www.dlpdesign.com/test.shtml>.

If you have VCP drivers installed on the PC that will be used to perform the EEPROM write process, you must uninstall these drivers using the uninstaller program (included with the driver files) and install the D2XX drivers prior to running the serializer utility.

## **QUICK START GUIDE**

***This guide requires the use of a Windows 98/2000/XP PC that is equipped with a USB port.***

1. Download the DLL version of the device drivers from either [dlpdesign.com](http://dlpdesign.com) or [ftdichip.com](http://ftdichip.com). Unzip the drivers onto a blank floppy disk or into a folder on the hard drive.
2. The board can be configured to receive its operating power from the USB port or from user electronics. Pins 14, 15, and 16 allow for this configuration. (Refer to the Pinout Description in the next section for a detailed description of the DLP-245SX electrical interface.)

Note: The board will not operate until a power source has been selected as mentioned in Step 2.

3. Connect the DLP-245SX board to the PC via a standard A-B, 6-foot USB cable. This action initiates the loading of the USB drivers. When prompted, select the folder where the DLL version of the device drivers was stored in Step 1. Windows will then complete the installation of the device drivers for the DLP-245SX board. The next time the DLP-245SX board is attached, the host PC will immediately load the correct drivers without any prompting. Reboot the PC if prompted to do so.

The DLP-245SX is shipped with default VID, PID, etc. values programmed into the EEPROM. You only need to run the serializer program if you want to change the default values.

At this point, the DLP-245SX is ready for use. Note that the DLP-245SX will appear non-responsive if data sent from the host PC is not read from the FT245BM device by the SX28 microcontroller.

If changing drivers from the VCP to the DLL type (or vice versa), you must first uninstall the currently loaded drivers. This is accomplished by first disconnecting the DLP-245SX adapter from the host computer and then running the uninstall program for the currently loaded version of

the drivers (Ftdiunin.exe for VCP and Ftd2xxun.exe for DLL). These uninstall programs are included with the driver files.

## TOKEN I/O

The SX28 microcontroller on the DLP-245SX is shipped from the factory preprogrammed with firmware that provides rudimentary access to the port pins via either the VCP or DLL drivers. Features include the ability to read and write individual port pins as well as 8-bit port reads and writes.

The firmware in the DLP-245SX also provides access to the on-board EEPROM memory, and communications with digital temperature-sensing devices.

Commands sent to the Token I/O firmware must adhere to a specific communications protocol. Each command sequence contains the following information:

Byte 0:	Number of bytes in command sequence
Byte 1:	Command
Byte 2...n-1:	Parameter/Data bytes
Byte n:	Checksum

The checksum is computed by exclusive-OR-ing every byte in the string. If the same checksum is calculated by the SX28 upon receipt of the packet, then a single-byte reply of 0x55 is returned to the host. In the event of a checksum error, the SX28 will return an error code of 0xAA. For example, setting port PIN\_A1 high would require the following string of bytes:

0x03, 0xA6, 0x29, 0x01, 0x8D

### Definition of the Bytes:

0x03 – Number of bytes in command (checksum excluded)

0xA6 – Command for set port pin high/low

0xA1 – Affected port pin

0x01 – Desired state of port pin

0x8D – Checksum of previous 4 bytes

The port pins equate to hexadecimal numeric constants as defined here:

PORT A:

PIN\_A0 0xA0, PIN\_A1 0xA1, PIN\_A2 0xA2

PORT B:

PIN\_B0 0xB0, PIN\_B1 0xB1, PIN\_B2 0xB2, PIN\_B3 0xB3,

PORT C:

PIN\_C0 0xC0, PIN\_C1 0xC1, PIN\_C2 0xC2, PIN\_C3 0xC3,  
PIN\_C4 0xC4, PIN\_C5 0xC5, PIN\_C6 0xC6, PIN\_C7 0xC7,

The source code for the Token I/O firmware (developed for the SnXC C compiler from Grich RC) is available as a free download upon purchase of the DLP-245SX. Example Visual C++ source code (for Windows 98/2000/XP) for communicating with the DLP-245SX via the Token I/O firmware is also available for download upon purchase. The windows source code also contains the port pin definitions listed above.

## TOKEN I/O COMMAND SET

### 0xA5 – Line In – Reads the state of a single port pin

- Parameters:** Port – Select from available port pins (PIN\_A3, PIN\_B0, etc)
- Returns:** 1 Byte: State of the port pin (0 or 1)
- Function:** This function will read the state of a single port pin. If the data direction for the pin selected was set to output, the direction is first set to input.
- Example:** 0x2, 0xA5, 0xA2, 0x5 - Reads the current state of port pin PIN\_A2.

### 0xA6 – Line Out - Sets a single port pin high or low

- Parameters:** Port – Select from available port pins (PIN\_A3, PIN\_B3, etc)  
State – 0 or 1
- Returns:** Undefined
- Function:** This function will change the output state of a single port pin. If the data direction for the pin selected was set to input, the direction is first set to output.
- Example:** 0x3, 0xA6, 0xA2, 0x1, 0x6 – Sets port pin PIN\_A2 high.

### 0xA7 – Return Board ID

- Parameters:** None
- Returns:** 5 bytes: "245SX"
- Function:** This function will return the ID of the 245xx board currently opened.
- Example:** 0x1, 0xA7, A6 – Reads the board ID.



## 0xAC – DS18S20 Start Convert

- Parameters:** Port Pin – Selects the microcontroller port pin on the SX28 to be used for communication with the DS18S20 temperature sensor.
- Returns:** 1 Byte: A single byte indicating the result of trying to reset the temperature sensor.
- Sensor status definitions:
- 99: Sensor ready
  - 8: Short circuit detected
  - 2: No sensor detected
- Function:** This function will select a port pin for communicating with a DS18S20 temperature sensor and start a temperature conversion. In addition to power and ground connections, a 1.5K to 4.7K pull-up resistor must be connected between VCC and the data pin of the DS18S20 for proper communication. The conversion time for the DS18S20 is specified for a maximum of 750 milliseconds.
- Example:** 0x2, 0xAC, 0xB0, 0x1E – Starts a temperature conversion on SX28 port pin B0.

## 0xAD – DS18S20 Read Data

- Parameters:** Port Pin – Selects the microcontroller port pin on the SX28 to be used for communication with the DS18S20 temperature sensor.
- Returns:** 9 Bytes: The contents of the scratchpad memory in the DS18S20.
- Function:** This function will select a port pin for communicating with a DS18S20 temperature sensor and request the current contents of the DS18S20's scratchpad memory. A conversion (command 0xAC) must have been previously requested for the data to be current. Additionally, host software must wait at least 750 milliseconds for the conversion to complete before reading the 9 bytes of data. In addition to power and ground, a 1.5K to 4.7K pull-up resistor must be connected between VCC and the data pin of the DS18S20 for proper communications. (For an example of how to calculate .1°C resolution temperature data from the 9 bytes of return data, refer to the example Windows source code.)
- Example:** 0x2, 0xAD, 0xB0, 0x1F – Requests 9 byte temperature data from SX28 port pin B0.

## **0xAE – Reserved**

## **0xAF – Loopback**

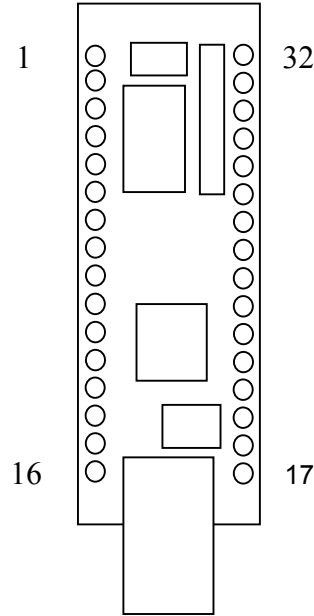
**Parameters:** Data byte – The byte of data to be looped back to the host.

**Returns:** 1 Byte: The data byte written.

**Function:** This function will echo the specified byte of data back to the host. The port pins are not affected.

**Example:** 0x2, 0xAF, 0x12, 0xBF – Requests the data byte 0x12 to be echoed back to the host.

**TABLE 1: DLP-245SX PINOUT DESCRIPTION**



Pin #	Description
1	<b>Ground</b>
2	<b>A0</b> (I/O) Port Pin A0 connected to the SX28 microcontroller
3	<b>A1</b> (I/O) Port Pin C2 connected to the SX28 microcontroller.
4	<b>A2</b> (I/O) Port Pin C3 connected to the SX28 microcontroller.
5	<b>MCLR*</b> (In) Can be used by an external device to reset the SX28. Can be left disconnected if not used.
6	<b>Ground</b>
7	<b>RESET#</b> (In) Can be used by an external device to reset the FT245BM. Can be left disconnected if not used.
8	<b>RESETO#</b> (Out) Output of the FT245BM's internal Reset Generator. Stays high impedance for ~ 2ms after VCC>3.5v and the internal clock starts up, then clamps its output to the 3.3v output of the internal regulator. Taking RESET# low will also force RESETO# to go high impedance. RESETO# is NOT affected by a USB Bus Reset.
9	<b>GROUND</b>
10	<b>3V3OUT</b> (Out) Output from the integrated L.D.O. regulator. Its primary purpose is to provide the internal 3.3v supply to the USB transceiver cell and the RSTOUT# pin. A small amount of current (<=5mA) can be drawn from this pin to power external 3.3v logic if required.
11	<b>Ground</b>
12	<b>SWVCC</b> (Out) Power from EXTVCC (Pin 19) controlled via Pin 10 (POWERN#) of the FT245BM and Q1 MOSFET power switch. R5 and C3 control the power-up rate to help limit inrush current.

13	<b>RTCC</b> (In) Input to the SX28's Real-Time Clock/Counter
14	<b>VCC-IO</b> (In) 3.0 volt to +5.25 volt VCC to the FT245BM's interface pins 10-12, 14-16, and 18-25. When interfacing with 3.3v external logic, connect VCC-IO to the 3.3v supply of the external logic; otherwise, connect to the VCC to drive out at 5v CMOS level. This pin must be connected to VCC from the target electronics or EXTVCC.
15	<b>EXTVCC</b> (In) Use for applying main power (4.4 to 5.25 volts) to the module. Connect to PORTVCC if the module is to be powered by the USB port (typical configuration).
16	<b>PORTVCC</b> (Out) Power from USB port. Connect to EXTVCC if module is to be powered by the USB port (typical configuration). 500mA is the maximum current available to the DLP-245SX and target electronics if the USB device is configured for high power.
17	<b>DB7</b> (I/O) Line 7 of the data bus between the SX28 and the FT245BM USB-FIFO.
18	<b>DB6</b> (I/O) Line 6 of the data bus between the SX28 and the FT245BM USB-FIFO.
19	<b>DB5</b> (I/O) Line 5 of the data bus between the SX28 and the FT245BM USB-FIFO.
20	<b>DB4</b> (I/O) Line 4 of the data bus between the SX28 and the FT245BM USB-FIFO.
21	<b>DB3</b> (I/O) Line 3 of the data bus between the SX28 and the FT245BM USB-FIFO.
22	<b>DB2</b> (I/O) Line 2 of the data bus between the SX28 and the FT245BM USB-FIFO.
23	<b>DB1</b> (I/O) Line 1 of the data bus between the SX28 and the FT245BM USB-FIFO.
24	<b>DB0</b> (I/O) Line 0 of the data bus between the SX28 and the FT245BM USB-FIFO.
25	<b>B3</b> (I/O) Port Pin B3 connected to the SX28 microcontroller.
26	<b>B2</b> (I/O) Port Pin B2 connected to the SX28 microcontroller.
27	<b>B1</b> (I/O) Port Pin B1 connected to the SX28 microcontroller.
28	<b>B0</b> (I/O) Port Pin B0 connected to the SX28 microcontroller.
29	<b>Ground</b>
30	<b>Ground</b>
31	<b>Ground</b>
32	<b>Ground</b>

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