

Terminal Function

Table 1 Functional Description of Terminals

Signal name	No. of lines	Input/output	Connected to	Function
RS	1	Input	MPU	Signal to select registers "0": Instruction register (for write) Busy flag; address counter (for read) "1": Data register (for read and write)
R/W	1	Input	MPU	Signal to select read (R) and write (1) "0": Write "1": Read
E	1	Input	MPU	Operation start signal for data read/write
DB ₄ ~ DB ₇	4	Input/output	MPU	Higher order 4 lines data bus with bidirectional three-state. Used for data transfer between the MPU and the HD44780. DB ₇ can be used as a BUSY flag.
DB ₀ ~ DB ₃	4	Input/Output	MPU	Lower order 4 lines data bus with bidirectional three-state. Used for data transfer between the MPU and the HD44780. These four are not used during 4-bit operation.
CL ₁	1	Output	HD44100H	Clock to latch serial data D sent to the driver LSI HD44100H.
CL ₂	1	Output	HD44100H	Clock to shift serial data D.
4	1	Output	HD44100H	Switch signal to convert liquid crystal drive waveform to αC .
	1	Output	HD44100H	Character pattern data corresponding to each common signal is serially sent. "0": Non selection "1": Selection
COM ₁ ~ COM ₁₆	16	output	Liquid crystal display	Common signals that are not used are charged to non-selection waveforms. That is, COM ₀ ~ COM ₁₆ are in non-selection waveform at 1/8 duty factor and COM ₁₂ ~ COM ₁₆ are in non-selection waveform at 1/11 duty factor.
SEG ₁ ~ SEG ₄₀	40	Output	Liquid crystal display	Segment signal
V ₁ ~ V ₅	5		Power supply	Power supply for liquid crystal display drive
V _{CC} , GND	2		Power supply	V _{CC} : +5V, GND: OV
OSC ₁ , OSC ₂	2			Terminals connected to resistor or ceramic filter for internal clock oscillation. For external clock operation, the clock is input to OSC ₁ .