

FEATURES

■ Single-chip Super VGA LCD controller

- Pin compatible with CL-GD7542
- IBM® VGA hardware-compatible

■ GUI acceleration

- BitBLT (bit block transfer) engine
- Color expansion for 8- or 16-bit pixels
- True packed-pixel addressing for 8 and 16 bpp
- Programmable linear memory addressing
- 32 × 32 or 64 × 64 hardware cursor

■ Multimedia acceleration and enhancement

- 8-bit feature connector port for video overlay
- Interface to analog encoders for NTSC/PAL-out
- MVA™ (MotionVideo™ Acceleration) *CL-GD7543 only*
 - True-color, full-motion video playback
 - Multi-format frame buffer
 - Integrated YCrCb: RGB color space converter
 - 2× horizontal/vertical hardware scaling

■ 32-bit direct-connect CPU host bus interfaces

- '486 CPU local bus (up to 50 MHz @ 5 V)
- VESA® VL-Bus™
- PCI system bus with burst support: big-endian byte-order hardware support for PowerPC™

■ Scalable 1- and 2-Mbyte display memory

- Two or four 256K × 16 DRAMs, or four 512K × 8 DRAMs
- Extended-Data-Out/Hyper-Page-Mode DRAM support

■ Integrated programmable frequency synthesizer

- Core VCLK up to 80 MHz @ 5 V; 77 MHz @ 3.3 V
- Core MCLK up to 60 MHz @ 5 V; 50 MHz @ 3.3 V
- Vertical refresh rates up to 75 Hz (depending on the graphics mode, MCLK, and voltage level of core VCC)

GUI-Accelerated SVGA LCD Controller for Portable Computers

■ 64 × 64 pixel size hardware pop-up icons

- Displays up to four independently controlled, 4-color icons

■ Integrated 24-bit true-color RAMDAC

- 640 × 480 non-interlaced, 16M colors (CL-GD7543 only)
- 800 × 600 non-interlaced, 64K colors
- 1024 × 768 non-interlaced, 256 colors
- 1280 × 1024 interlaced, 256 colors

■ Support for 640 × 480 and 800 × 600 LCDs

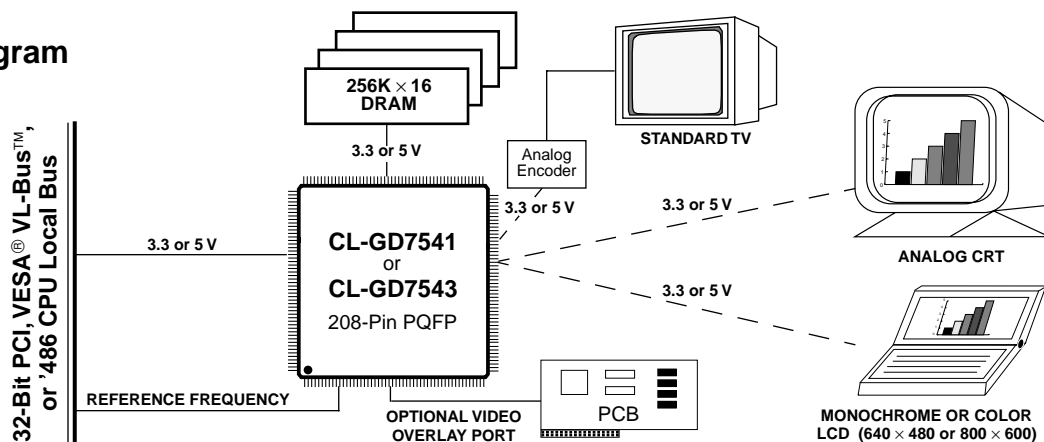
- Dual-scan color and monochrome STN LCDs
- Color TFT LCDs (9-, 12-, 18-, and 24-bit interfaces)
- Dithering algorithm automatically adds up to 6 bits per primary color without decreasing spatial resolution
- Enhanced frame-rate modulation algorithm improves display quality with fast-response STN LCDs (~100 ms)
- SimulSCAN™ (simultaneous CRT and LCD)
- Full-screen VGA support on 800 × 600 LCDs

■ Power-management capabilities

- 3.3-V, 5.0-V, and mixed-voltage operation
- Hardware-suspend input pin or software-suspend option
- Self-refresh DRAMs or DRAM refresh via 32-kHz clock
- Internal timers for Standby mode and backlight control
- LCD power sequencing
- VESA® DPMS (Display Power Management Signaling)
- DDC-1 (Display Data Channel) support

■ EIAJ standard 208-pin quad flat package

System Block Diagram



OVERVIEW

The GUI-accelerated SVGA LCD controllers — CL-GD7541 and CL-GD7543 — are the latest members of the pin compatible CL-GD754X family. They provide the performance and integration required for the next generation of mid-range to premium portable computers.

The CL-GD7541/GD7543 uses Cirrus Logic's advanced 0.6- μ m CMOS process to provide improved 3.3-V operation and support for 1024 \times 768 CRT refresh rates of 70 Hz. In addition, increased performance can be achieved through the use of high-speed Extended-Data-Out (EDO) / Hyper-Page-Mode DRAMs. A complete graphics subsystem can be built using only three active components: the CL-GD7541/GD7543 and two DRAMs.

Both the CL-GD7541 and CL-GD7543 provide the following CL-GD7542 features: BitBLT GUI acceleration, true-color capability, support for 800 \times 600 LCDs, and mixed-voltage operation for low power consumption.

The CL-GD7543 fully supports all features of the CL-GD7542, including MotionVideo™ Acceleration (MVA™) for playback of Video for Windows .AVI (audio-video interleaved) files.

For the cost-sensitive value market, the CL-GD7541 provides most of the performance and features of the CL-GD7543, including TV-out, Feature Connector, 3D game acceleration, and 2-Mbyte display memory. However, the CL-GD7541 does not support the MVA hardware playback enhancements, relying instead upon standard primary surface DCI support.

UNIQUE FEATURES

Design Flexibility

- Pin-compatible with CL-GD7542
- Big-endian byte ordering in display memory with PCI host interface

High Performance

- BitBLT engine, color expansion, hardware cursor, linear addressing, and 32-bit memory interface
- 32-bit local bus interface, operating at up to 33 MHz, includes support for PCI with burst mode
- Hardware 'pop-up' icons

Multimedia

- 8-bit dynamic Feature Connector port
- Interface to NTSC/PAL analog encoders
- Drivers supplied for 3D-graphics libraries and emerging APIs (advanced programming interface) for games

MVA™ (CL-GD7543 only)

- MVA™ (MotionVideo™ Acceleration)
- Multi-format frame buffer and YCrCb-to-RGB color space conversion
- 2 \times hardware scaling for playback

Enhanced LCD Support

- 800 \times 600 LCD support (both TFT and dual-scan STN) with comprehensive resolution-compensation support
- Enhanced frame-rate modulation
- Intelligent dithering algorithm expands the number of bits per primary color (RGB) on TFT or STN LCDs

Power Management

- 3.3-V, 5.0-V, or mixed-voltage support
- Hardware-initiated Standby and Suspend modes and VESA® DPMS support for CRTs

BENEFITS

- CL-GD754X family offers products for a wide range of market segments. Design knowledge gained with any CL-GD754X device can be leveraged over entire CL-GD754X family.
- Supports 'X86 designs with little-endian data; supports PowerPC™ designs with big-endian data.
- Accelerates GUIs such as Microsoft® Windows®; provides high resolution and color-depth capabilities.
- Increases system throughput; PCI interface allows use in 'X86, PowerPC™, or other platforms.
- Provides hot-key display for on-screen symbols such as battery 'fuel gauge' and contrast/brightness controls.
- Allows overlay capability for live 'TV in a window'.
- Integrated design can be developed to display computer-generated data on a TV or to record to a VCR.
- Supports emerging standards for DOS and Windows®-based 3D applications.
- Hardware enhancement for playback of Video for Windows .AVI files.
- Displays separate graphics and video windows at independent color depths.
- Enlarges video clips with little or no frame-rate reduction.
- Supports latest LCD technology and enables full use of the display area whether in graphics or text mode.
- Improves display quality; increases stability of shades.
- Displays high- and true-color modes with smooth shading (no contouring) on all supported LCD types.
- Minimizes operating power consumption; provides manufacturing flexibility.
- Reduces power consumption; supports Energy Star monitors for 'green PC' compliance.

SOFTWARE SUPPORT

Operating System and Application Software Drivers

Software Drivers ^a	Resolution Supported	Number of Colors
Microsoft®/Intel® DCI™ (Display Control Interface)	640 × 480, 800 × 600, 1024 × 768, 1280 × 1024	256
	640 × 480, 800 × 600	65,536
Microsoft® Windows® v3.1	640 × 480, 800 × 600, 1024 × 768, 1280 × 1024	256
	640 × 480, 800 × 600	65,536
	640 × 480	16.8 million (CL-GD7543 only)
Microsoft® Windows NT™ v3.1	640 × 480, 800 × 600, 1024 × 768	16 and 256
	640 × 480, 800 × 600, 1024 × 768	16 and 256
	640 × 480, 800 × 600	65,536
OS/2® v2.0, v2.1	640 × 480	16.8 million (CL-GD7543 only)
AutoCAD® v11, v12	640 × 480, 800 × 600, 1024 × 768	16 and 256
	640 × 480, 800 × 600	65,536
	640 × 480	16.8 million (CL-GD7543 only)
Autoshade® v2.0 3D Studio® v1, v2	640 × 480, 800 × 600, 1024 × 768	256
	640 × 480, 800 × 600	65,536
	640 × 480	16.8 million (CL-GD7543 only)

^a Driver support for additional applications is provided by independent software vendors, either with specific drivers or through VESA mode support. In many instances, existing drivers for the CL-GD542X can be used with the CL-GD7541/GD7543. For more information concerning driver support, contact the software manufacturer.

BIOS

Feature	Benefit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Available as 48-Kbyte BIOS to provide optimum performance with VGA and VESA® extended mode support, or as a 32-Kbyte subset with a 16-Kbyte-relocatable module or loaded as TSRs (terminate and stay resident) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Provides system design options for the best combination of performance and functionality.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Fully IBM® VGA-compatible BIOS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Ensures compatibility with the existing base of PC applications.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ VESA® VBE (VGA BIOS extensions) 1.2 and PM (power management) support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Compatible with industry standard for extended mode support beyond VGA and power-management control.

Software Utilities

Utility	Function
AutoResolution Switching	Windows® application for automatically switching display resolutions (for example, from a 1024 × 768 CRT to lower-resolution 640 × 480 or 800 × 600 LCDs) without relaunching Windows
CLDemo	Demonstration program to test various capabilities of the CL-GD7541/GD7543
CLMode	Video mode and video display configuration utility suitable for end-use distribution (includes foreign language translations)
OEMSI	BIOS-customization utility for OEM development use
PCLRegs	VGA controller register viewer/editor for OEM development use
Switcher	Video configuration TSR (terminate and stay resident)
WinMode	Windows® application for graphics mode and display type configuration (includes foreign language translations, selectable from within the utility)

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