

2M x 8 Bit NAND Flash Memory

FEATURES

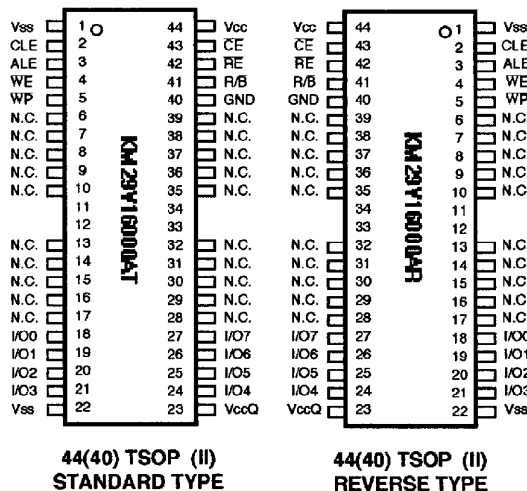
- Single 3.3 - volt Supply
- Organization
 - Memory Cell Array : (2M +64K)bit x 8bit
 - Data Register : (256 + 8)bit x 8bit
- Automatic Program and Erase
 - Page Program : (256 + 8)Byte
 - Block Erase : (4K +128)Byte
- Status Register
- 264 - Byte Page Read Operation
 - Random Access : 10 μ s
 - Serial Page Access : 80 ns
- Fast Write Cycle Time
 - Program time : 250us
 - Block Erase time : 5ms
- Command/Addresses/Data Multiplexed I/O Port
- Hardware Data Protection
 - Program/Erase Lockout During Power Transitions
- Reliable CMOS Floating-Gate Technology
 - Endurance :1M Program/Erase Cycles
 - Data Retention : 10 years
- Command Register Operation
- 44(40) - Lead TSOP Type II (400 mil / 0.8 mm pitch)
 - Forward/Reverse Type

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The KM29V16000AT/AR is a 2M(2,097,152)x8 bit NAND Flash memory with a spare 64K(65,536)x8 bit. Its NAND cell provides the most cost-effective solution for the mass solid state storage market. A program operation programs the 264-byte page in typically 250 μ s and an erase operation can be performed in typically 5ms on either a 4K-byte block. Data in the page can be read out at 80ns cycle time per byte. The I/O pins serve as the ports for address and data input/output as well as command inputs. The on-chip write controller automates all program and erase system functions, including pulse repetition, where required, and internal verify and margining of data. Even the write-intensive systems can take advantage of the KM29V16000AT/AR's extended reliability of 1,000,000 program/erase cycles by providing either ECC(Error Checking and Correction) or real time mapping-out algorithm. These algorithms have been implemented in many mass storage applications and also the spare 8 bytes of a page combined with the other 256 bytes can be utilized by system-level ECC.

The KM29V16000AT/AR is an optimum solution for large nonvolatile storage application such as solid state storage, digital voice recorder, digital still camera and other portable applications requiring nonvolatility.

PIN CONFIGURATION



Pin Name	Pin Function
I/O0 ~ I/O7	Data Input/Outputs
CLE	Command Latch Enable
ALE	Address Latch Enable
CE	Chip Enable
RE	Read Enable
WE	Write Enable
WP	Write Protect
GND	Ground Input
R/B	Ready/Busy output
Vcc	Power (3.3V)
VccQ	Output Buffer Power (3.3V or 5V)
Vss	Ground
N.C.	No Connection

Notes ; Connect all Vcc, VccQ and Vss pins of each device to power supply outputs.
Do NOT leave Vcc or Vss disconnected.

Figure 1. FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM

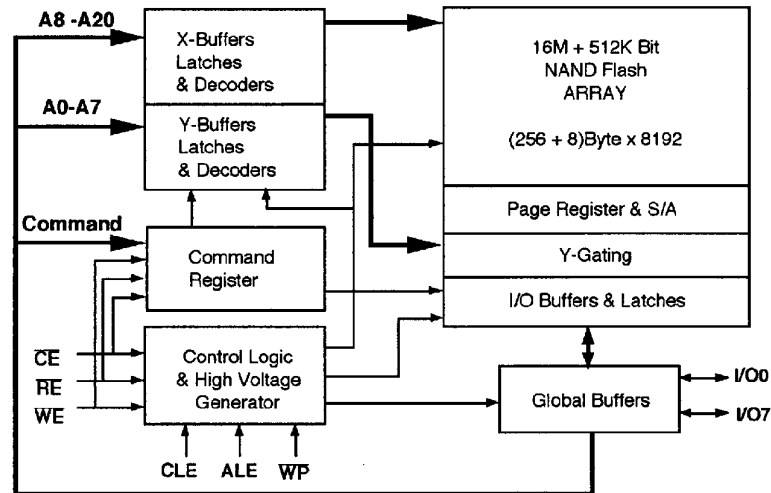
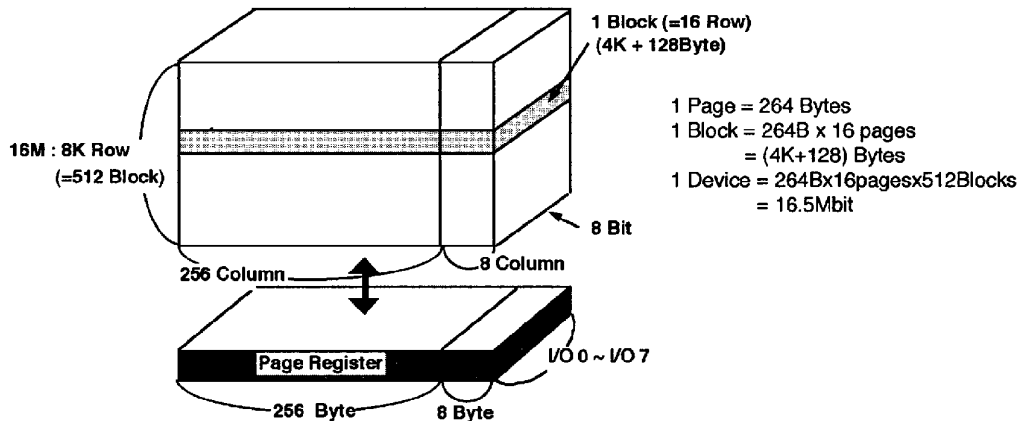


Figure 2. ARRAY ORGANIZATION



	I/O0	I/O1	I/O2	I/O3	I/O4	I/O5	I/O6	I/O7	
1st Cycle	A0	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6	A7	Column Address
2nd Cycle	A8	A9	A10	A11	A12	A13	A14	A15	Row Address
3rd Cycle	A16	A17	A18	A19	A20	* X	* X	* X	(Page Address)

* A12 to A20 : Block Address

* : X can be V_{IL} or V_{IH}.

PRODUCT INTRODUCTION

The KM29V16000A is a 16.5Mbit(17,301,504 bit) memory organized as 8192 rows by 264 columns. A spare eight columns are located from column address of 256 to 263. A 264-byte data register is connected to memory cell arrays accommodating data transfer between the I/O buffers and memory during page read and page program operations. The memory array is made up of 16 cells that are serially connected to form a NAND structure. Each of the 16 cells reside in a different page. A block consists of the 16 pages formed by one NAND structures, totaling 264 NAND structures of 16 cells. The array organization is shown in Figure 2. The program and read operations are executed on a page basis, while the erase operation is executed on block basis. The memory array consists of 512 separately or grouped erasable 4K-byte blocks. It indicate that the bit by bit erase operation is prohibited on the KM29V16000A.

The KM29V16000A has addresses multiplexed into 8 I/O's. This scheme dramatically reduces pin counts and allows system upgrades to future higher densities by maintaining consistency in system board design. Command, address and data are all written through I/O's by bringing WE to low while CE is low. Data is latched on the rising edge of WE. Command Latch Enable(CLE) and Address Latch Enable(ALE) are used to multiplex command and address respectively, via the I/O pins. All commands require one bus cycle except for Block Erase command which requires two cycles: a cycle for erase-setup and another for erase-execution after block address loading. The 2M byte physical space requires 21 addresses, thereby requiring three cycles for byte-level addressing: column address, low row address and high row address, in that order. Page Read and Page Program need the same three address cycles following the required command input. In Block Erase operation, however, only the two row address cycles are used. Device operations are selected by writing specific commands into the command register. Table1 defines the specific commands of the KM29V16000A.

Table 1. COMMAND SETS

Function	1st. Cycle	2nd. Cycle	Acceptable Command during Busy State
Sequential Data Input	80h	-	
Read 1	00h	-	
Read 2	50h	-	
Read ID	90h		
Reset	FFh	-	○
Page Program	10h	-	
Block Erase	60h	D0h	
Erase Suspend	B0h	-	○
Erase Resume	D0h	-	
Read Status	70h	-	○
Read Register	E0h	-	

PIN DESCRIPTION

Command Latch Enable(CLE)

The CLE input controls the path activation for commands sent to the command register. When active high, commands are latched into the command register through the I/O ports on the rising edge of the WE signal.

Address Latch Enable(ALE)

The ALE input controls the path activation for address and input data to the internal address/data registers. Addresses are latched on the rising edge of WE with ALE high, and input data is latched when ALE is low. When the device is in the busy state during program or erase, CE high does not return the device to standby mode.

Chip Enable(\overline{CE})

The \overline{CE} input is the device selection control. When \overline{CE} goes high during a read operation the device is returned to standby mode. However, when the device is in the busy state during program or erase, \overline{CE} high is ignored, and does not return the device to standby mode.

Write Enable(\overline{WE})

The \overline{WE} input controls writes to the I/O port. Commands, address and data are latched on the rising edge of the \overline{WE} pulse.

Read Enable(\overline{RE})

The \overline{RE} input is the serial data-out control, and when active drives the data onto the I/O bus. Data is valid tREA after the falling edge of \overline{RE} which also increments the internal column address counter by one.

I/O Port : I/O 0 - I/O 7

The I/O pins are used to input command, address and data, and to outputs data during read operations. The I/O pins float to high-z when the chip is deselected or the outputs are disabled.

Write Protected(\overline{WP})

The \overline{WP} pin provides inadvertent write/erase protection during power transitions. The internal high voltage generator is reset when the \overline{WP} pin is active low.

Ready / Busy(R/\overline{B})

The R/B output indicates the status of the device operation. When low, it indicates that a program, erase or random read operation is in process and return to high state upon completion. It is an open drain output and does not float to high-z condition when the chip is deselected or outputs are disabled.

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Parameter	Symbol	Rating	Unit
Voltage on any pin relative to Vss	VIN	-0.6 to +5.5	V
Temperature Under Bias	Tbias	-10 to +125	°C
Storage Temperature	Tstg	-65 to +150	°C
Short Circuit Output Current	Ios	5	mA

* Notes

1. Minimum DC voltage is -0.3V on input/output pins. During transitions, this level may undershoot to -2.0V for periods <20ns. Maximum DC voltage on input/output pins is Vcc+0.5V which, during transitions, may overshoot to Vcc+2.0V for periods <20ns.
2. Permanent device damage may occur if ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS are exceeded. Functional operation should be restricted to the conditions as detailed in the operational sections of this data sheet. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS (Voltage reference to GND, Ta = 0 to 70 °C)

Parameter	Symbol	Min.	Typ	Max	Unit
Supply Voltage	Vcc	3.0	3.3	3.6	V
Supply Voltage	Vss	0	0	0	V

DC AND OPERATING CHARACTERISTICS

(Recommended operating conditions otherwise noted.)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit		
Operating Current	Sequential Read	Icc1	tcycle=80ns	CE=VIL, Iout = 0 mA	-	10	20	mA
		Icc2	tcycle= 1 us		-	2	5	mA
	Command, Address Input	Icc3	tcycle=80ns		10	20	mA	
	Data Input	Icc4	-	-	10	20	mA	
	Register Read	Icc5	tcycle=80ns, Iout = 0mA	-	10	20	mA	
	Program	Icc6	-	-	10	20	mA	
	Erase	Icc7	-	-	10	20	mA	
Stand-by Current (TTL)	ISB1	CE=VIH, WP=0V/Vcc	-	-	1	mA		
Stand-by Current (CMOS)	ISB2	CE=Vcc-0.2, WP=0V/Vcc	-	5	50	µA		
Input Leakage Current	I _{LI}	VIN =0 to 3.6 V	-	-	±10	µA		
Output Leakage Current	I _{LO}	VOUT =0 to 3.6 V	-	-	±10	µA		
Input High Voltage , All inputs	VIH	-	2.0	-	Vcc+0.3	V		
Input Low Voltage , All inputs	VIL	-	-0.3	-	0.8	V		
Output High Voltage Level	VOH	I _{OH} = -400µA	2.4	-	-	V		
Output Low Voltage Level	VOL	I _{OL} = 2.1 mA	-	-	0.4	V		
Output Low Current (R/B)	I _{OL} (R/B)	VOL =0.4 V	8	10	-	mA		

VALID BLOCK

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Nvb	Valid Block Number	502	508	511	Blocks

Note : The KM29V16000AT/R may include less than 10 unusable blocks. Do not try to access these bad blocks for program and erase. (Refer to technical note)

AC TEST CONDITION

Note : Ta = 0 °C to + 70 °C, Vcc=3.3V± 10 %, unless otherwise noted.






Parameter	Value
Input Pulse Levels	0.4V to 2.4V
Input Rise and Fall Times	5 ns
Input and Output Timing Levels	0.8V and 2.0V
Output Load	1 TTL GATE and CL = 100 pF

CAPACITANCE (Ta = 25 °C, Vcc=3.3V, f = 1.0 MHz)

Item	Symbol	Condition	Min	Max	Unit
Input / Output Capacitance	C _{I/O}	V _{IL} = 0V	-	10	pF
Input Capacitance	C _{IN}	V _{IN} = 0V	-	10	pF

Note : Capacitance is periodically sampled and not 100% tested.

MODE SELECTION

CLE	ALE	CE	WE	RE	WP	Mode	I/O	Power
H	L	L		H	X	Command Input	Din	Active
L	H	L		H	X	Address Input(3clock)	Din	Active
L	H	L	H		X	Address Output(3clock)	Dout	Active
L	L	L		H	X	Data Input	Din	Active
L	L	L	H		X	Sequential Read & Data Output	Dout	Active
X	X	X	X	X	H	During Program (Busy)	High-Z	Active
X	X	X	X	X	H	During Erase (Busy)	High-Z	Active
X	X	X	X	X	L	Write Protect	High-Z	Active
X	X ⁽¹⁾	H	X	X	0V/V _{CC} ⁽²⁾	Stand-by	High-Z	Stand-by

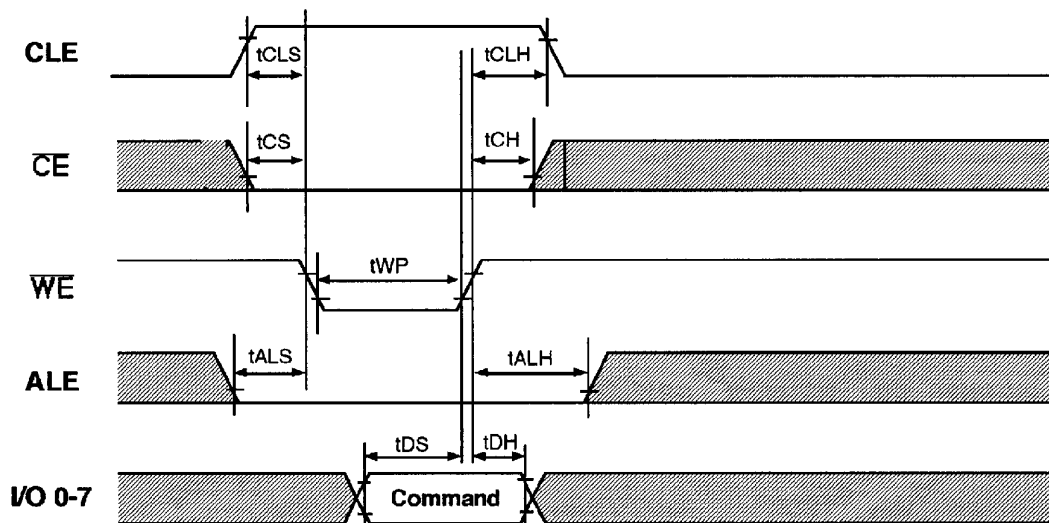
Notes : 1. X can be V_{IL} or V_{IH}

2. WP should be biased to CMOS high or CMOS low for standby.

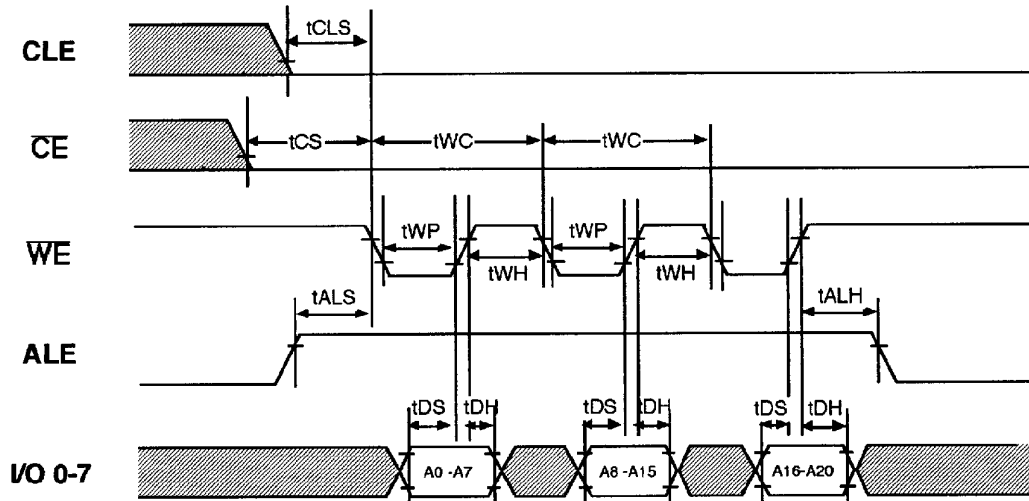
A.C. Characteristics for Command / Address / Data Input

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
CLE Set-up Time	tCLS	20	-	ns
CLE Hold Time	tCLH	40	-	ns
\overline{CE} Setup Time	tCS	20	-	ns
\overline{CE} Hold Time	tCH	40	-	ns
WE Pulse Width	tWP	40	-	ns
ALE Set-up Time	tALS	20	-	ns
ALE Hold Time	tALH	40	-	ns
Data Set-up Time	tDS	30	-	ns
Data Hold Time	tDH	20	-	ns
Write Cycle Time	tWC	80	-	ns
WE High Hold Time	tWH	20	-	ns

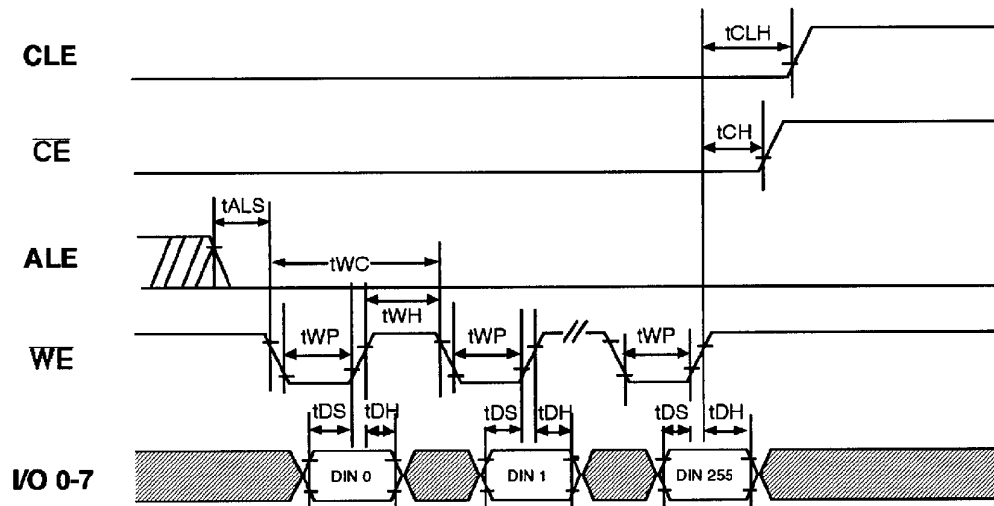
*** Command Latch Cycle**



*** Address Latch Cycle**



*** Input Data Latch Cycle**



A.C. Characteristics for Operation

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
Data Transfer from Cell to Register	tR	-	10	μs
ALE to RE Delay	tAR	150	-	ns
ALE to RE Delay (Register read, ID read)	tAR1	200	-	ns
CE low to RE low (Register read, ID read)	tCR	200	-	ns
Ready to RE Low	tRR	20	-	ns
WE High to Busy	tWB	-	200	ns
Read Cycle Time	tRC	80	-	ns
RE Access Time	tREA	-	45	ns
RE High to Output Hi-Z	tRHZ	5	20	ns
CE High to Output Hi-Z	tCHZ	-	30	ns
RE High Hold Time	tREH	20	-	ns
Output Hi-Z to RE Low	tIR	0	-	ns
Last RE High to Busy (at sequential row read) ⁽¹⁾	tRB	-	200	ns
CE High to Ready (in case of interception by CE at read) ⁽³⁾	tCRY	-	100 + tr(R/B) ⁽²⁾	ns
CE High Hold Time (at the last sequential read)	tCEH	250	-	ns
RE Low to Status Output	tRSTO	-	45	ns
CE Low to Status Output	tCSTO	-	55	ns
RE High to WE Low	tRHW	0	-	ns
WE High to CE Low	tWHC	50	-	ns
WE High to RE Low	tWHR	50	-	ns
WE High to RE Low (Register read)	tWHR1	200	-	ns
Erase Suspend Input to Ready	tSR	-	1	ms
Device Resetting Time (Read/Program/Erase/after erase suspend)	tRST	-	5/10/500/5	us

Note : 1. If CE goes high within 30ns after the rising edge of the last RE, R/B will not transition to VoL.

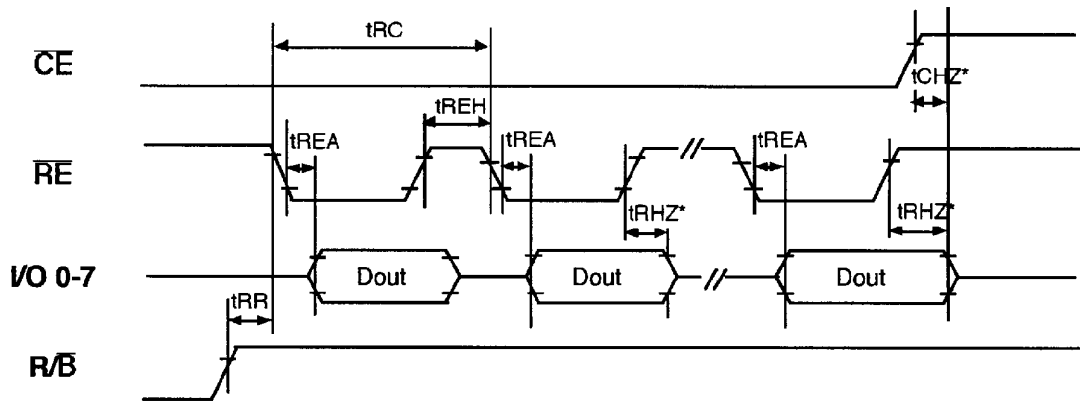
2. The time to Ready depends on the value of the pull-up resistor tied to R/B pin.

3. To break the sequential read cycle, CE must be held high for longer than tCEH.

Program/Erase Characteristics

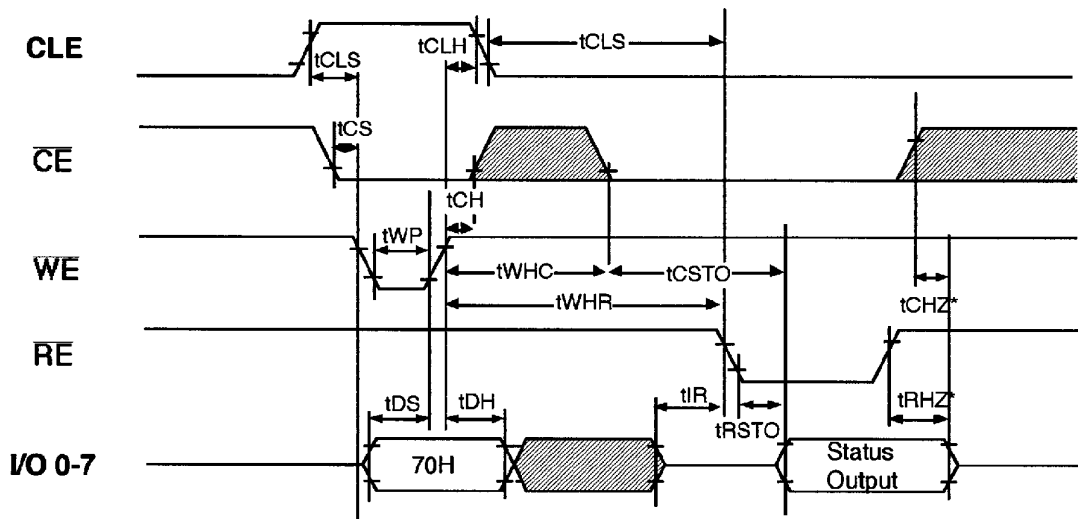
Parameter	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Program Time	tPROG	-	0.25	1.5	ms
Number of Partial Program Cycles in the Same Page	Nop	-	-	10	cycles
Block Erase Time	tBERS	-	5	30	ms

*** Sequential Out Cycle after Read (CLE=L, WE=H, ALE=L)**

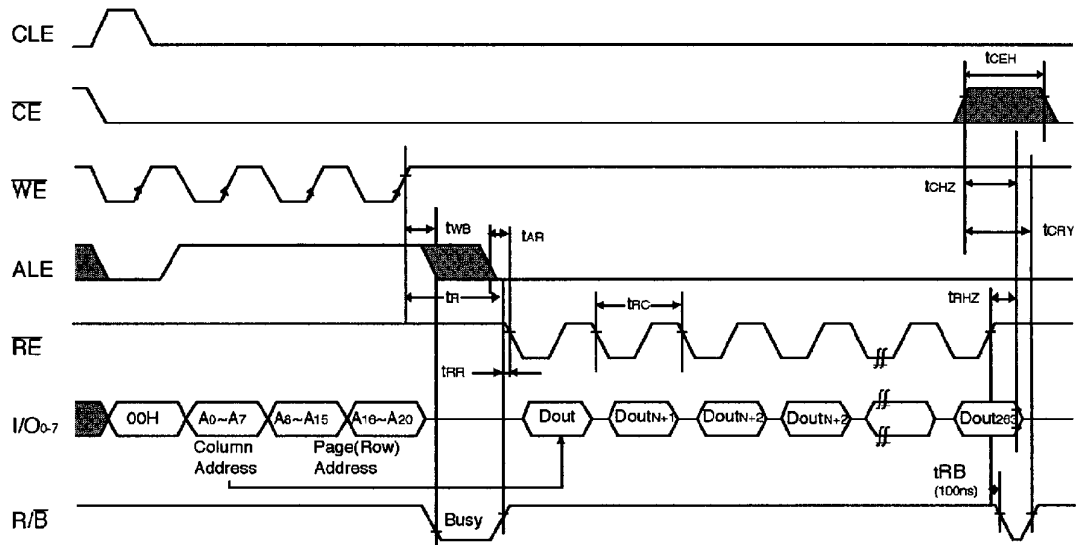


Note : Transition is measured $\pm 200\text{mV}$ from steady state voltage with load.
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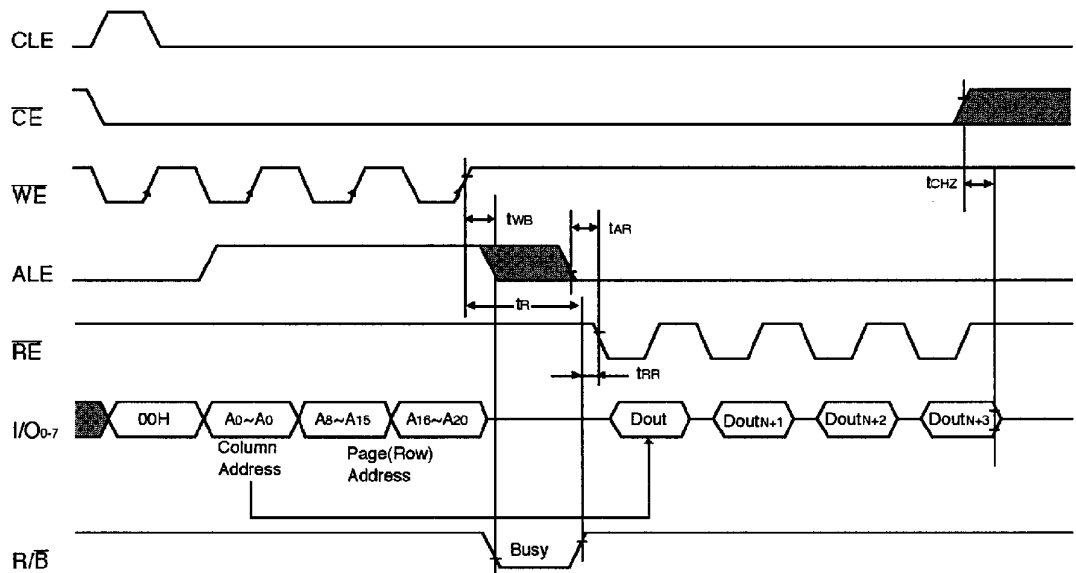
*** Status Read Cycle**



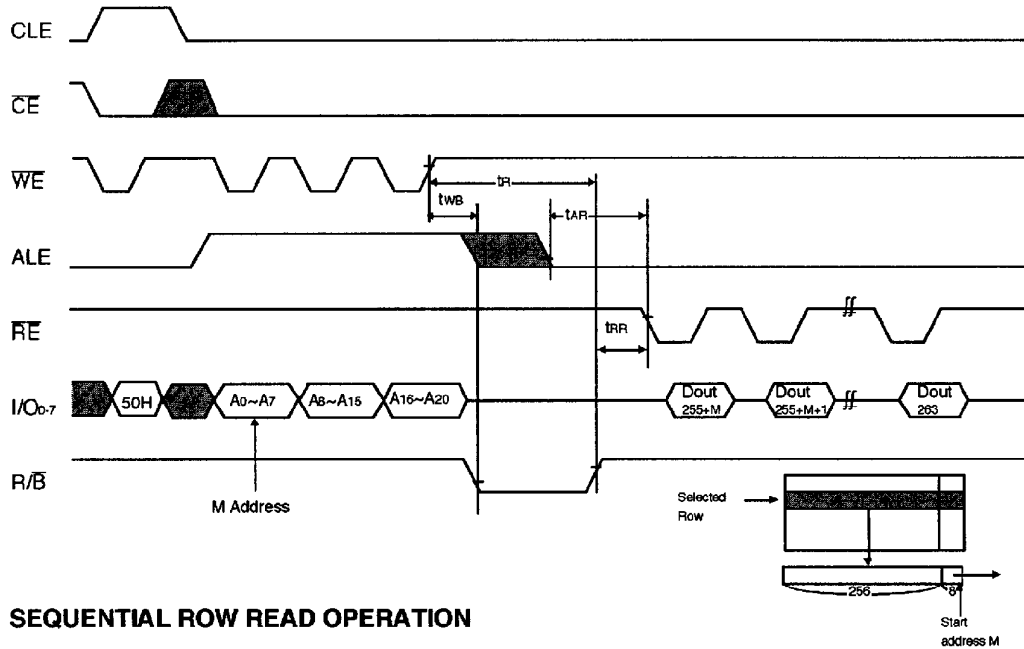
READ1 OPERATION (READ ONE PAGE)



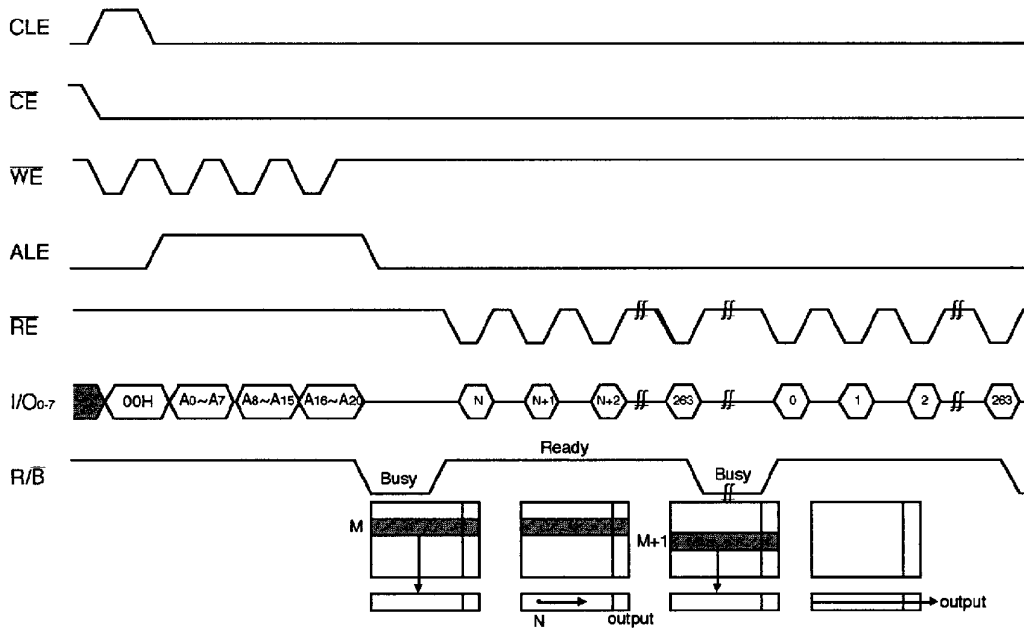
READ1 OPERATION (INTERCEPTED BY CE)



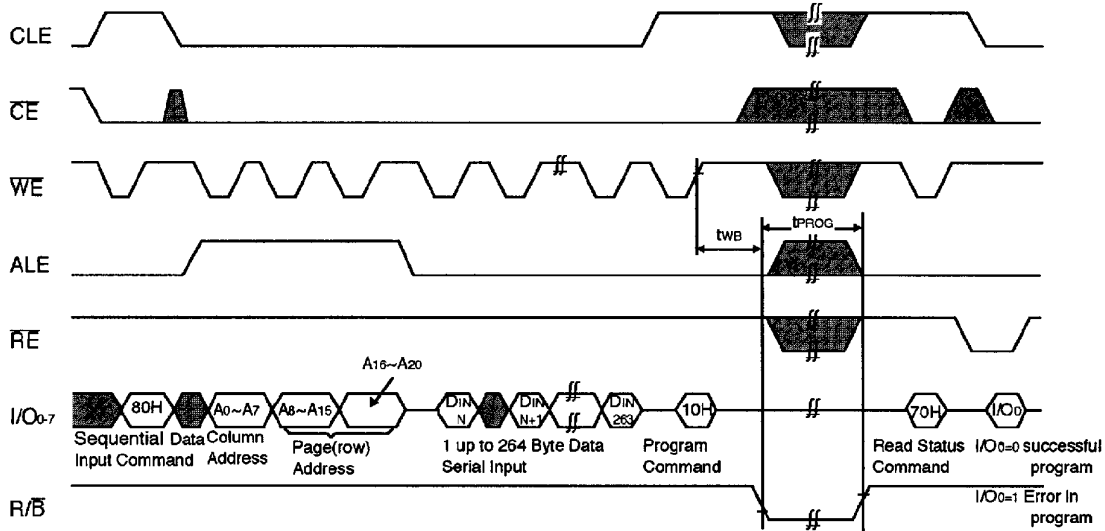
READ2 OPERATION (READ ONE PAGE)



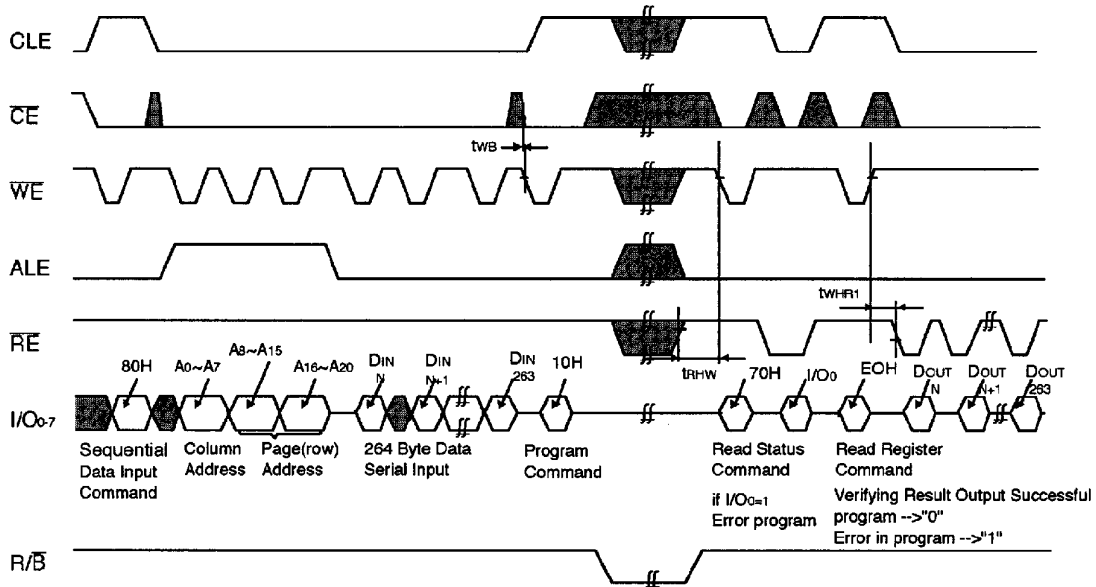
SEQUENTIAL ROW READ OPERATION



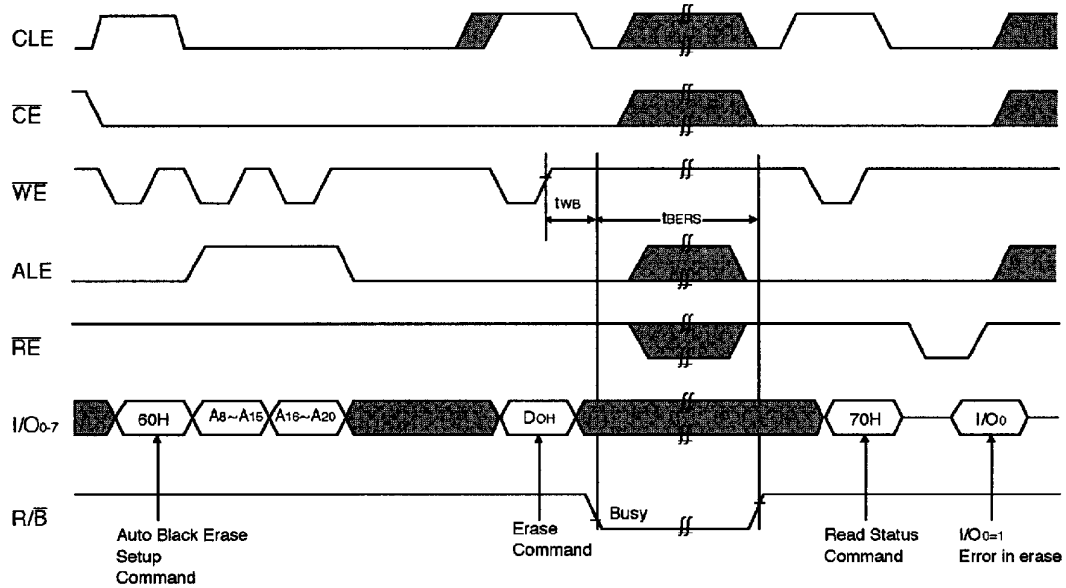
PAGE PROGRAM OPERATION



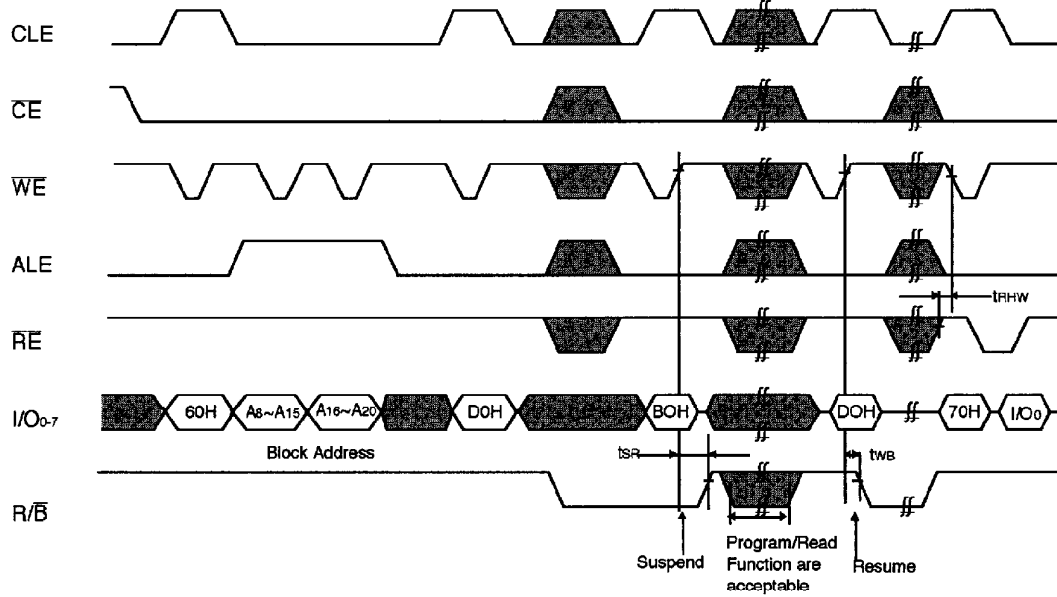
PAGE PROGRAM & READ DATA REGISTER OPERATION



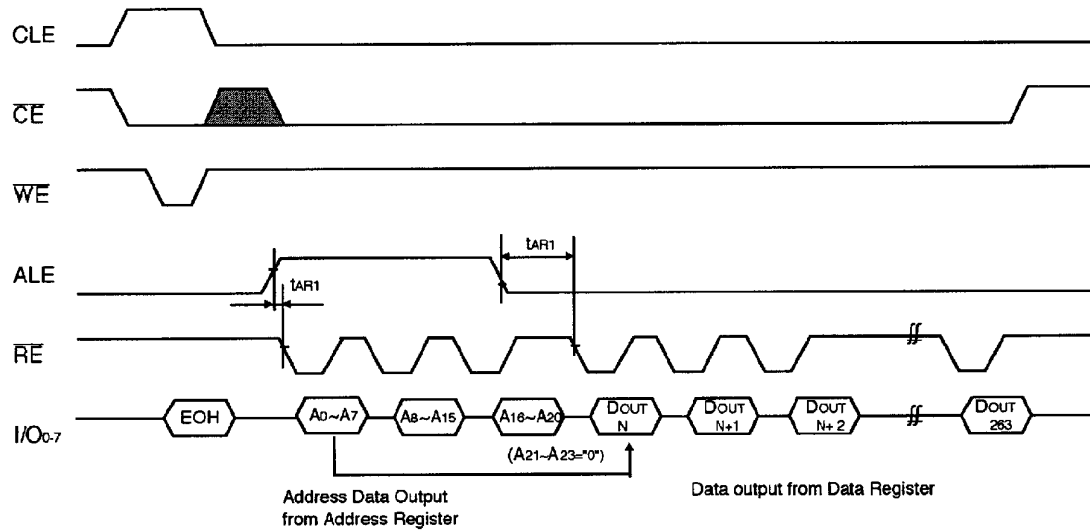
BLOCK ERASE OPERATION (ERASE ONE BLOCK)



SUSPEND & RESUME OPERATION DURING BLOCK ERASE



READ REGISTER OPERATION



DEVICE OPERATION

PAGE READ

Upon initial device power up, the KM29V16000A defaults to the Read1 mode. This operation is also initiated by writing 00H to the command register along with three address cycles. Once the command is latched, it does not need to be written for the following page read operation. Three types of operations are available: random read, sequential page read and sequential row read.

The random read mode is enabled when the page address is changed. 264 bytes of data of within the selected page are transferred to the data registers in less than 10 μ s (t_R). The CPU can detect the completion of this data transfer (tR) by analyzing the output of Ready/Busy pin. Once the data of a page is loaded into the registers, they may be read out in 80ns cycle time by sequentially pulsing RE with CE staying low. High to low transitions of the RE clock output the data starting from the selected column address up to the last column address (column 264). After the data of last column address is clocked out, the next page is automatically selected for sequential read. Waiting 10 μ s again allows for reading of the page. The sequential row read operation is terminated by bringing CE to high. The way the Read1 and Read2 commands work is like a pointer set to either the main area or the spare area. The spare area of bytes 256 to 263 may be selectively accessed by writing the Read2 command. Address A0 to A2 set the starting address of the spare area while addresses A3 to A7 are ignored. Unless the operation is aborted, the page address is automatically incremented for sequential row read as in Read1 operation and spare eight bytes of each page may be sequentially read. The Read1 command (00H) is needed to move the pointer to the main area. Figure 3 thru 6 show typical sequence and timing for each read operation.

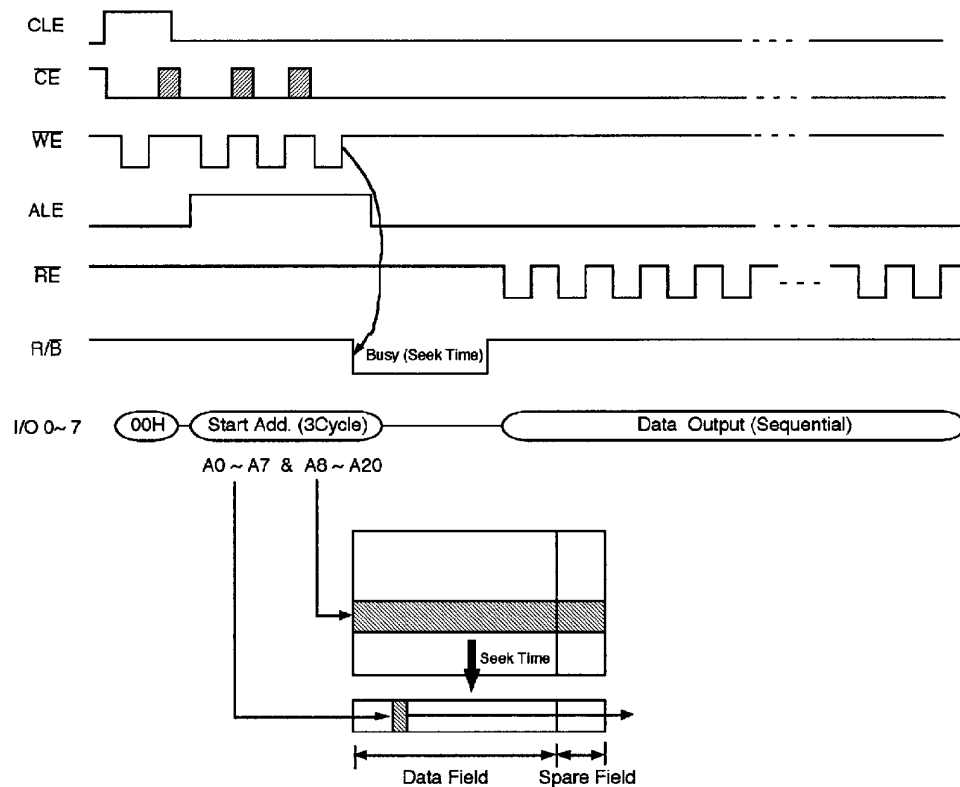


Figure 3. Read 1 Operation

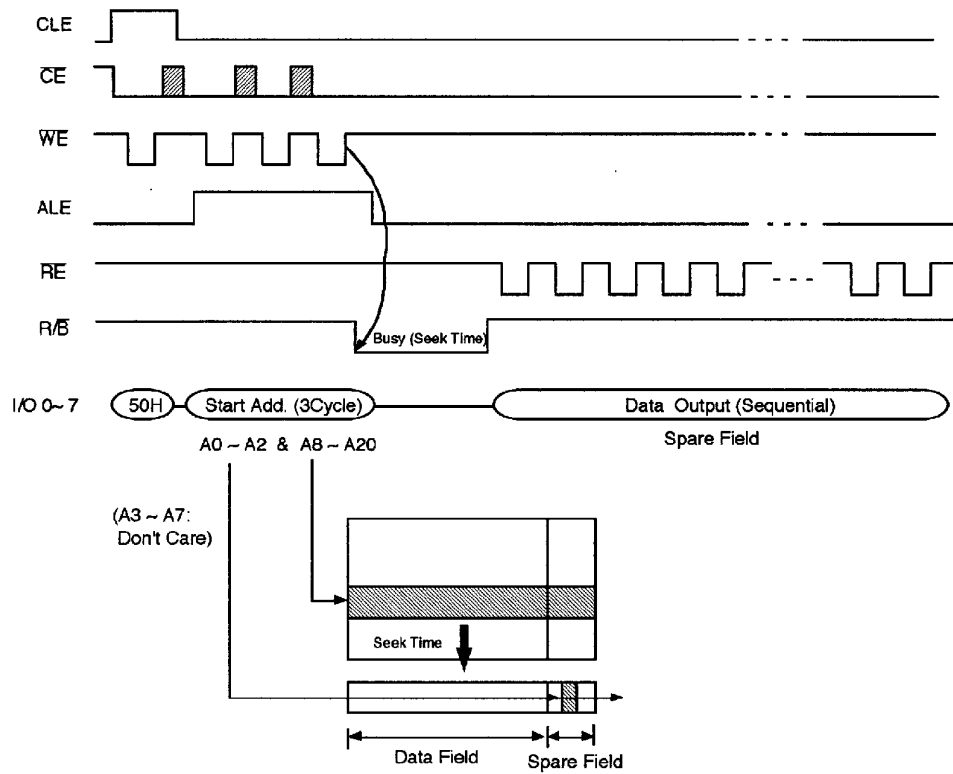


Figure 4. Read 2 Operation

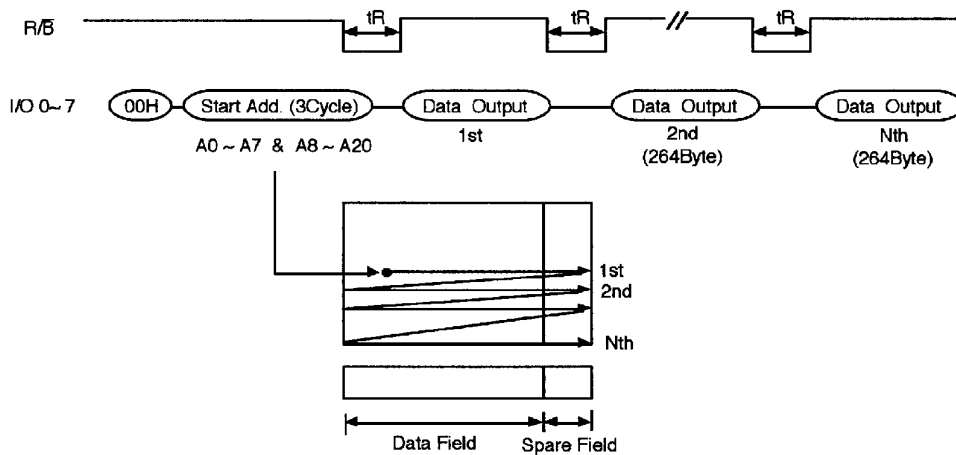


Figure 5. Sequential Row Read 1 Operation

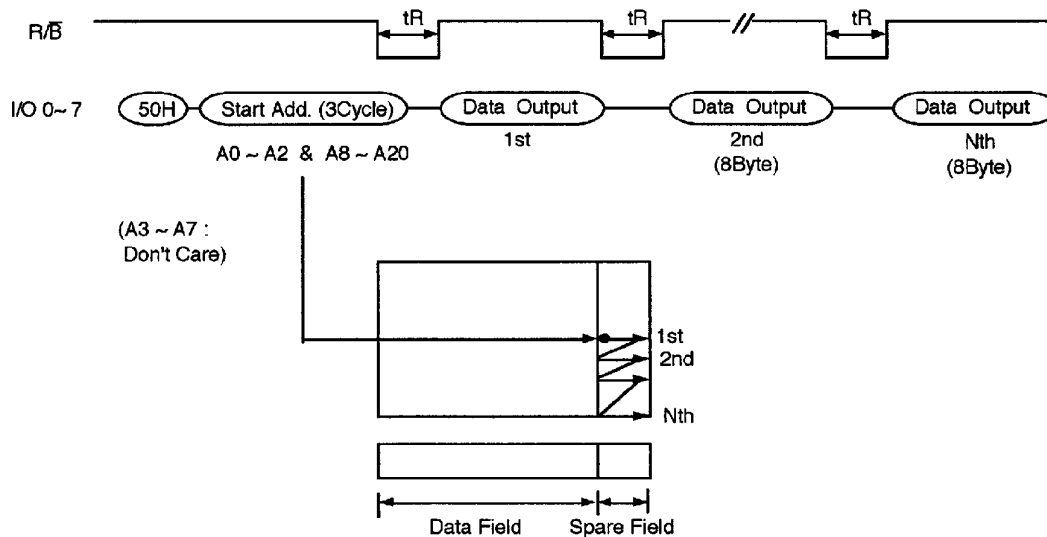


Figure 6. Sequential Row Read 2 Operation

PAGE PROGRAM

The device is programmed basically on a page basis. But it also allows partial page program: a byte or consecutive bytes up to 264 may be programmed in a single page program cycle. The number of partial page program operations in the same page without an intervening erase operation must not exceed ten. The addressing may be done in random order in a block. A page program cycle consist of a serial data loading period in which up to 264 bytes of data must be loaded into the device, and nonvolatile programming period in which the loaded data is programmed into the appropriate cell.

The sequential data loading period begins by inputting the Sequential Data Input command (80H), followed by the three cycle address input and then serial data loading. The bytes other than those to be programmed do not need to be loaded. To program the bytes in the spare columns of 256 to 263, the pointer should be set to the spare area by writing the Read 2 command (50H) to the command register. The pointer remains in the spare area unless the Read 1 command (00H) is entered returning it to the main area. The Page Program confirm command (10H) initiates the programming process. Writing 10H alone without previously entering the serial data will not initiate the programming process. The internal write controller automatically executes the algorithms and timings necessary for program and verify, thereby freeing the CPU for other tasks. Once the program process starts, the Status Register may be read with \overline{RE} and \overline{CE} low after the Read Status command (70H) is written to it. The CPU can detect the completion of program cycle by monitoring the Ready/Busy output, or the Status bit(I/O 6) of the Status Register. Only the Read Status command and Reset command are valid while programming is in progress. When the Page Program is complete, the Write Status Bit(I/O 0) may be checked (Figure 7). The internal write verify detects only errors for "1"s that are not successfully programmed to "0"s. The command register remains in Read Status command mode until another valid command is written to the command register. The data register may be read by writing the Read Register command (E0H) to determine the column address at which the error has been detected. The registers in error will have "1"s while the registers of successfully programmed bits will have "0"s(Figure 8).

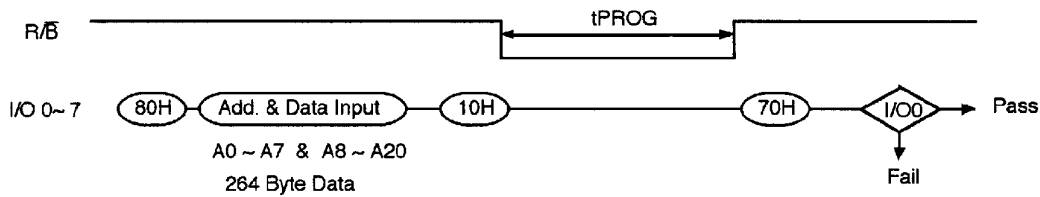


Figure 7. Program & Read Status Operation

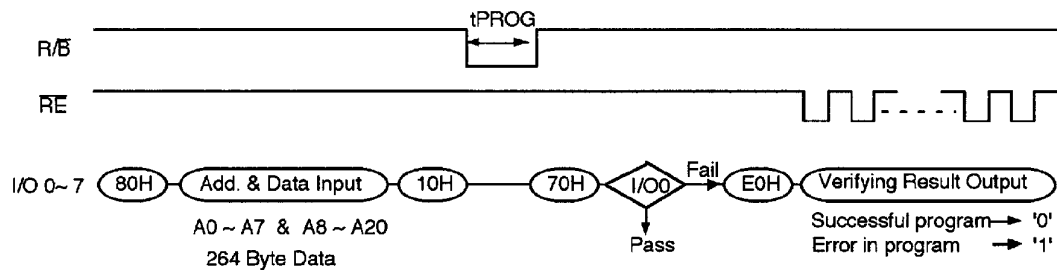


Figure 8. Program & Read Data Register Operation

BLOCK ERASE

The Erase operation can erase on a block (4K Byte) basis. Block address loading is accomplished in two cycles initiated by an Erase Setup command(60H). Only address A12 to A20 is valid while A8 to A11 are ignored. The addresses of the block to be erased to FFH. The Erase Confirm command(D0H) following the block address loading initiates the internal erasing process. This two-step sequence of setup followed by execution ensures that memory contents are not accidentally erased due to external noises conditions. At the rising edge of \overline{WE} after the erase confirm command input, the internal write controller handles erase, erase-verify and pulse repetition where required. If an erase operation error is detected, the internal verify is halted and erase operation is terminated. When the erase operation is complete, the Write Status Bit(I/O 0) can be checked. Figure 9 detail the sequence.

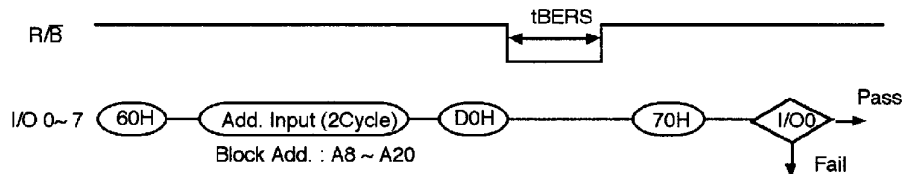


Figure 9. Block Erase Operation

ERASE SUSPEND/ERASE RESUME

The Erase Suspend allows interruption during any erase operation in order to read or program data to or from another block of memory. Once an erase operation begins, writing the Erase Suspend command (B0H) to the command register suspends the internal erase process, and the Ready/Busy signal returns to "1". The Erase Suspend Status bit will also be set to "1" when the Status Register is read. At this time, blocks other than the suspended block can be read, programmed. The Status Register and Ready/Busy operation will function as usual. After the Erase Resume command is written to it, the erase process is restarted from the beginning of the erasing period. The Erase Suspend Status bit and Ready/Busy signal will return to "0". Refer to Figure 10 for operation sequence.

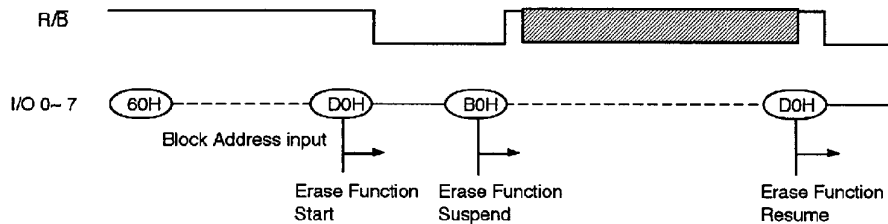


Figure 10. Erase Suspend & Erase Resume Operation

READ STATUS

The KM29V16000A contains a Status Register which can be read to find out whether program or erase operation is complete, and whether the program or erase operation completed successfully. After writing the 70H command to the command register, a read cycle outputs the contents of the Status Register to the I/O pins on the falling edge of CE or RE, whichever occurs last. This two line control allows the system to poll the progress of each device in multiple memory connections even when R/B pins are common-wired. RE or CE does not need to be toggled for updated status. Refer to table 2 for specific Status Register definitions. The command register remains in Status Read mode until further commands are issued to it. Therefore, if the Status Register is read during a random read cycle, the required Read command (00H or 50H) should be input before sequential page read cycle.

Table 2. STATUS REGISTER DEFINITION

SR	Status	Definition
I/O 0	Program / Erase	"0" : Successful Program/Erase "1" : Error in Program/Erase
I/O 1	Reserved for Future	"0"
I/O 2	Use	"0"
I/O 3		"0"
I/O 4		"0"
I/O 5	Erase Suspend	"0" : Erase in Progress/Completed "1" : Suspended
I/O 6	Device Operation	"0" : Busy "1" : Ready
I/O 7	Write Protect	"0" : Protected "1" : Not Protected

READ ID

The KM29V16000A contains a product identification mode, initiated by writing 90H to the command register, followed by an address input of 00H. Two read cycles sequentially outputs the manufacturer code (ECH), and the device code (EAH) respectively. The command register remains in Read ID mode until further commands are issued to it. Figure 11 shows the operation sequence.

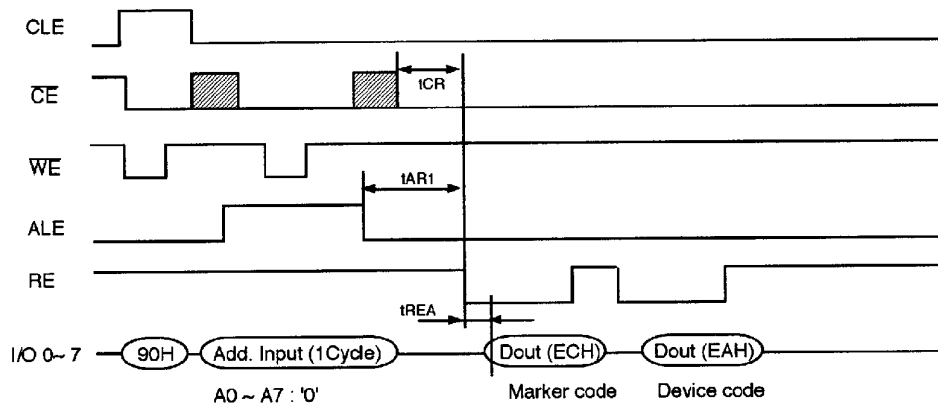


Figure 11. Read ID Operation

READ REGISTER

The KM29V16000A has 264 data registers and 3 address registers which may be read by writing E0H to the command register. Toggling RE with ALE high will output the contents of the address registers. Toggling RE with ALE low drives the contents of the data registers sequentially beginning with predetermined column address. The Read Register mode can be used in conjunction with the Page Program operation to identify the bits in programming error by reading the data registers. Figure 12 shows the timing sequence.

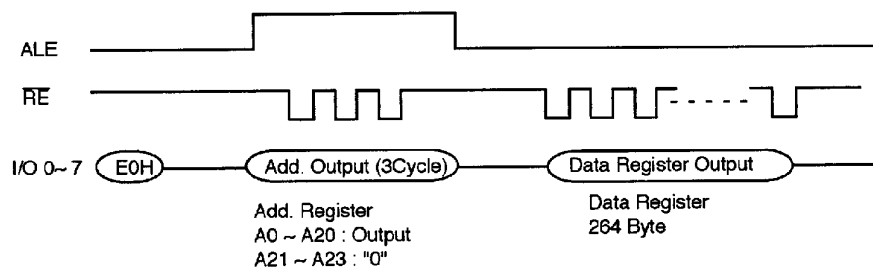


Figure 12. Read Address and Data Register Operation

RESET

The KM29V16000A offers a reset feature, executed by writing FFH to the command register. When the device is in Busy state during a random read, program or erase mode, the reset operation will abort these operations. The contents of memory cells being altered are no longer valid, as the data will be partially programmed or erased. Internal address registers are cleared to "0"s and data registers to "1"s. The command register is cleared to wait for the next command, and the Status Register is cleared to value C0H when WP is high. Refer to table 3 for device status after reset operation. If the device is already in reset state a new reset command will not be accepted to by the command register. The Ready/Busy pin transitions to low for tRST after the Reset command is written. Reset command is not necessary for normal device operation. Refer to Figure 13 below.

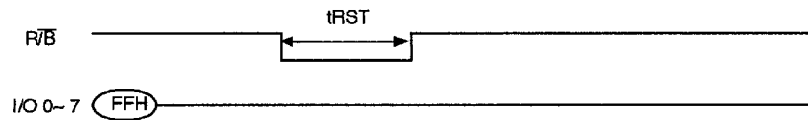


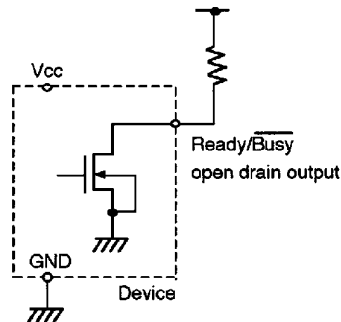
Figure 13. RESET Operation

Table 3. DEVICE STATUS

	After Power-up	After Reset
Address Register	All "0"	All "0"
Data Register	All "1"	All "1"
Operation Mode	Read 1	Waiting for next command

READY/BUSY

The KM29V16000A has a Ready/Busy output that provides a hardware method of indicating the completion of a page program, erase or random read completion. The R/B pin is normally high but transitions to a low after program or erase command is written to the command register or a random read is begin after address loading. It returns to high when the internal controller has finished the operation. The pin is an open-drain driver thereby allowing two or more Ready/Busy outputs to be Or-tied. An appropriate pull-up resistor is required for proper operation and the value may be calculated by following equation.



$$R_p = \frac{V_{oc}(\text{Max.}) - V_{oL}(\text{Max.})}{I_{oL} + \sum I_L} = \frac{5.1V}{8\text{mA} + \sum I_L}$$

where I_L is the sum of the input currents of all devices tied to the Ready/Busy pin.

DATA PROTECTION

The KM29V16000A has a write protect pin (\overline{WP}) to provide protection from any involuntary write operation during power transition. During device powerup, the \overline{WP} should be at V_{IL} until V_{CC} reaches approximately 3.0V, during power down should be at V_{IL} when V_{CC} falls below 3.0V. Refer to Figure 14 below.

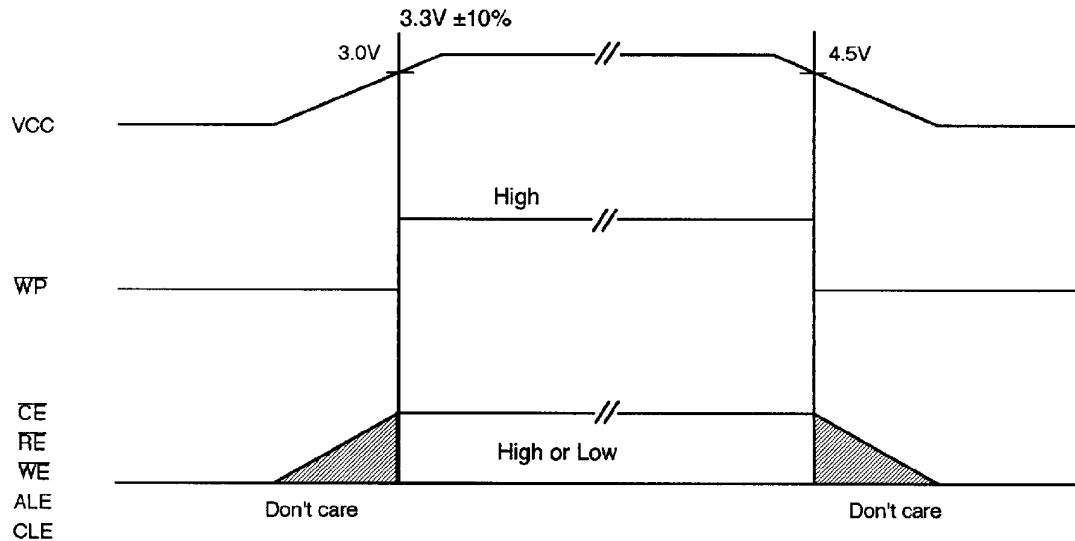
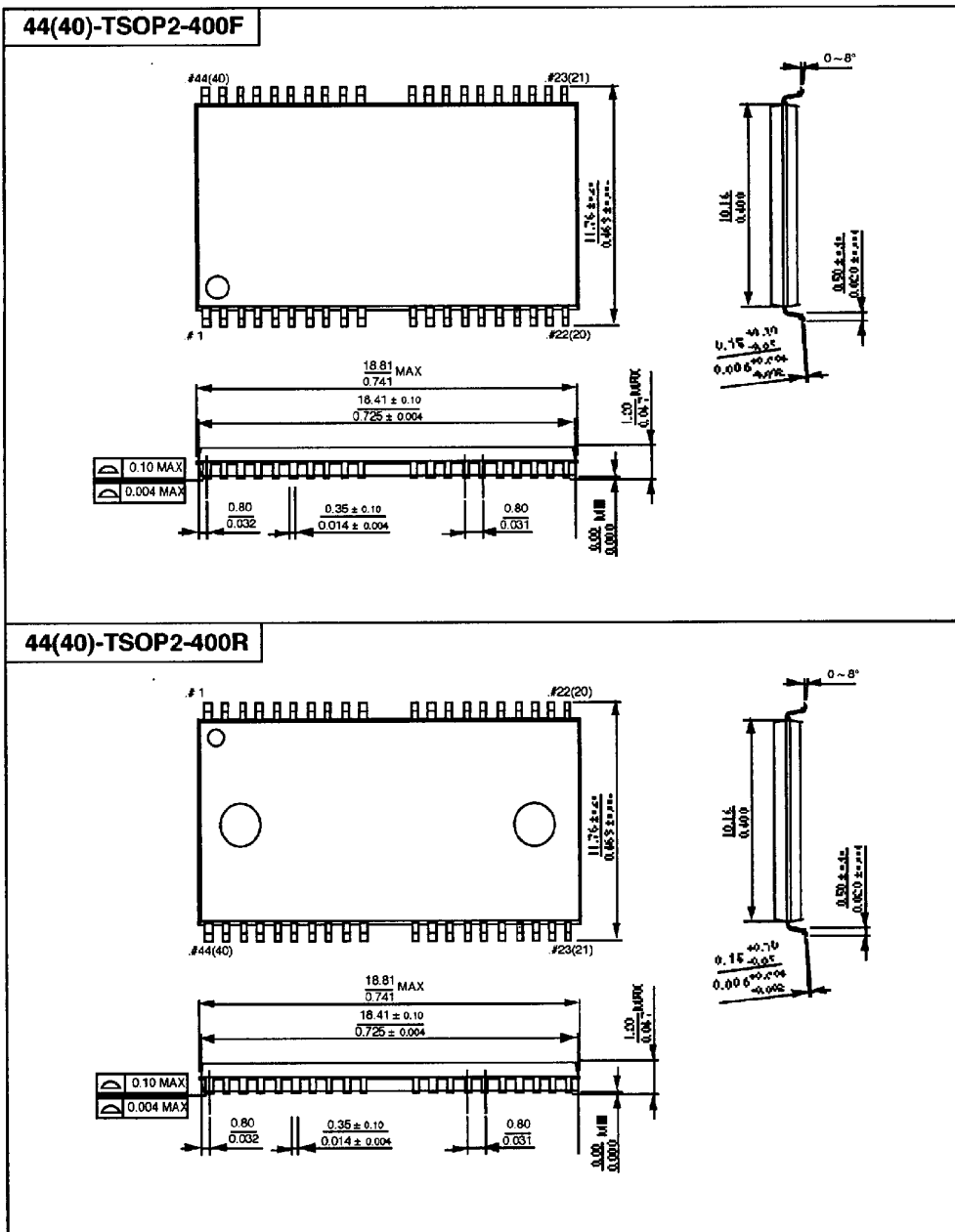


Figure 14. AC WAVEFORMS for POWER TRANSITIONS

PACKAGE DIMENSION

44 (40) LEAD PLASTIC THIN SMALL OUT-LINE PACKAGE TYPE (II)

Unit : mm/inch



KM29N16000 Technical Notes

INVALID BLOCKS

Typically, the KM29V16000AT/R Flash device contains less than 10 unusable blocks. Due to the nature of the device architecture, the device can also be screened and tested for partial invalid blocks for selected systems that can utilize the devices. These devices will have the same quality levels as devices with all valid blocks and will meet all AC and DC characteristics. The system design must be able to mask out the partial block(s) from address mapping. An invalid block(s) do not affect the performance of valid block(s) because it is isolated from the bit line and the common source line by a select transistor.

Identifying Invalid Block(s) in the KM29V16000AT / R

All device locations are erased (FFh) prior to shipping. Devices with invalid Block(s) will be randomly written with 00h data within a page in the invalid Block(s). This page may or may not contain the invalid cell(s). The 00h data marks the block(s) that contain the invalid cell(s). A system that can utilize these devices must be able to recognize invalid block(s) via the following suggested flow chart (Figure 1).

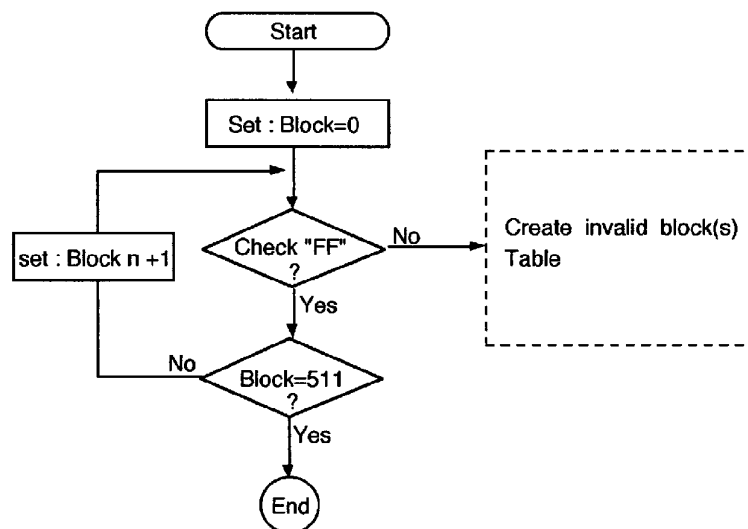


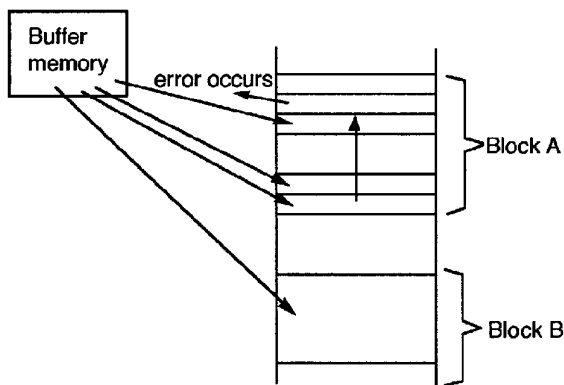
Figure 1 Flow chart to create invalid block table.

KM29V16000 Technical Notes (Continued)

Error in program or erase operation (Fail at status read)

The device may fail during a program or erase operation due to exceeding write/erase cycle limits, for example. The following system architecture will enable high system reliability if a failure occurs :

During Program operation ;



When the error happens in Block 'A', try to reprogram the data into another Block 'B' by loading from an external buffer. Then, prevent further system access to Block 'A' (by creating a 'bad block' table or other appropriate scheme.)

During Erase operation ;

When the error occurs after an erase operation, prevent future accesses to this bad block (again by creating a table within the system or other appropriate scheme.)