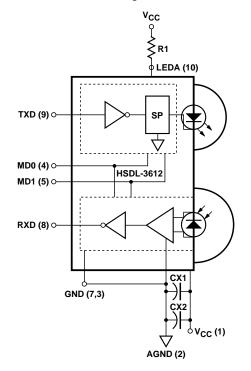


Description

The HSDL-3612 is a low-profile infrared transceiver module that provides interface between logic and IR signals for through-air, serial, half-duplex IR data link. The module is compliant to IrDA Data Physical Layer Specifications 1.4 and IEC825-Class 1 Eye Safe.

Functional Block Diagram



Applications

- Digital imaging
- Digital still cameras
- Photo-imaging printers
- Data communication
 - Notebook computers
 - Desktop PCs
- Win CE handheld products
- Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs)
- Printers
- Fax machines, photocopiers
- Screen projectors
- Auto PCs
- Dongles
- Set-Top box
- Telecommunication products
 - Cellular phones
 - Pagers
- Small industrial & medical instrumentation
 - General data collection devices
- Patient & pharmaceutical data collection devices

Features

- Fully compliant to IrDA 1.0 physical layer specifications

 9.6 kb/s to 115.2 kb/s operation
- Typical link distance > 1.5 m
- IEC825-Class 1 eye safe
- Low power operation range - 2.7 V to 5.25 V
- Small module size

 4.0 x 12.2 x 5.1 mm (HxWxD)
- Complete shutdown

 TXD, RXD, PIN diode
- Low shutdown current
 10 nA typical
- Adjustable optical power management
 - Adjustable LED drive-current to maintain link integrity
- Integrated EMI shield

 Excellent noise immunity
- Edge detection input

 Prevents the LED from long
- turn-on time Interface to various super
- Interface to various super I/O and controller devices
- Designed to accommodate light loss with cosmetic window
- Only 2 external components are required



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The HSDL-3612 contains a highspeed and high-efficiency 870 nm LED, a silicon PIN diode, and an integrated circuit. The IC contains an LED driver and a receiver providing a single output (RXD) for all data rates supported.

The HSDL-3612 can be completely shut down to achieve very low power consumption. In the shut down mode, the PIN diode will be inactive and thus producing very little photocurrent even under very bright ambient light. The HSDL-3612 also incorporated the capability for adjustable optical power. With two programming pins; MODE 0 and MODE 1, the optical power output can be adjusted lower when the nominal desired link distance is one-third or two-third of the full IrDA link.

The HSDL-3612 front view options (HSDL-3612-007/-037) and a top view packaging option (HSDL-3612-008/-038) come with integrated shield that helps to ensure low EMI emission and high immunity to EMI field, thus enhancing reliable performance.

Application Support Information

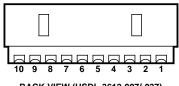
The Application Engineering group is available to assist you with the technical understanding associated with HSDL-3612 infrared transceiver module. You can contact them through your local sales representatives for additional details.

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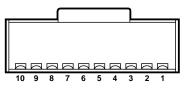
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6.0	Front View	HSDL-3612-007	400
60	Front View	HSDL-3612-037	1800
	Top View	HSDL-3612-008	400
	Top View	HSDL-3612-038	1800

I/O Pins Configuration Table

Pin	Description	Symbol
1	Supply Voltage	V _{CC}
2	Analog Ground	AGND
3	Ground	GND
4	Mode 0	MD0
5	Mode 1	MD1
6	No Connection	NC
7	Ground	GND
8	Receiver Data Output	RXD
9	Transmitter Data Input	TXD
10	LED Anode	LEDA



BACK VIEW (HSDL-3612-007/-037)



BOTTOM VIEW (HSDL-3612-008/-038)

Transceiver Control Truth Table

Mode 0	Mode 1	RX Function	TX Function
1	0	Shutdown	Shutdown
0	0	SIR	Full Distance Power
0	1	SIR	2/3 Distance Power
1	1	SIR	1/3 Distance Power

Transceiver I/O Truth Table

Transceiver	Inp	uts	Outputs			
Mode	TXD	EI	LED	RXD		
Active	1	Х	On	Not Valid		
Active	0	High ^[1]	Off	Low ^[2]		
Active	0	Low	Off	High		
Shutdown	X[3]	Low	Not Valid	Not Valid		

X = Don't Care EI = In-Band Infrared Intensity at detector

Notes:

1. In-Band $El \leq 115.2 \text{ kb/s}$.

2. Logic Low is a pulsed response. The condition is maintained for duration dependent on the pattern and strength of the incident intensity.

3. To maintain low shutdown current, TXD needs to be driven high or low and not left floating.

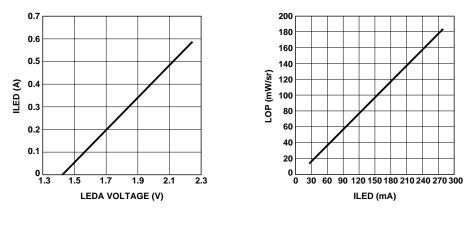
Component	Recommended Value
R1	6.2 $\Omega\pm5\%$, 0.5 Watt, for 2.7 \leq V _{CC} \leq 3.6 V operation 15.0 $\Omega\pm5\%$, 0.5 Watt, for 4.75 \leq V _{CC} \leq 5.25 V operation
CX1 ^[4]	0.47 $\mu\text{F}\pm20\%$, X7R Ceramic
CX2 ^[5]	6.8 $\mu\text{F}\pm$ 20%, Tantalum

Recommended Application Circuit Components

Notes:

4. CX1 must be placed within 0.7 cm of the HSDL-3612 to obtain optimum noise immunity.

5. In "HSDL-3612 Functional Block Diagram" on page 1 it is assumed that Vled and V_{CC} share the same supply voltage and filter capacitors. In case the 2 pins are powered by different supplies CX2 is applicable for Vled and CX1 for V_{CC}. In environments with noisy power supplies, including CX2 on the V_{CC} line can enhance supply rejection performance.



ILED vs. LEDA.

Light Output Power (LOP) vs. ILED.

Marking Information

The HSDL-3612-007/-037 is marked "3612YYWW" on the shield where "YY" indicates the unit's manufacturing year, and "WW" refers to the work week in which the unit is tested.

CAUTIONS: The BiCMOS inherent to the design of this component increases the component's susceptibility to damage from electrostatic discharge (ESD). It is advised that normal static precautions be taken in handling and assembly of this component to prevent damage and/or degradation which may be induced by ESD.

Absolute Maximum Ratings^[6]

Parameter	Symbol	Minimum	Maximum	Unit	Conditions
Storage Temperature	Τ _S	-40	+100	°C	
Operating Temperature	TA	-20	+70	°C	
DC LED Current	I _{LED} (DC)		165	mA	
Peak LED Current	I _{LED} (PK)		750	mA	≤ 2 μs pulse width, ≤ 10% duty cycle
LED Anode Voltage	V _{LEDA}	-0.5	7	V	
Supply Voltage	Vcc	0	7	V	
Transmitter Data Input Current	I _{TXD} (DC)	-12	12	mA	
Receiver Data Output Voltage	V ₀	-0.5	Vcc+0.5	V	II ₀ (RXD)I = 20 μA

Note:

6. For implementations where case to ambient thermal resistance \leq 50°C/W.

Recommended Operating Conditions

Parameter	Symbol	Minimum	Maximum	Unit
Operating Temperature	T _A	-20	+70	°C
Supply Voltage	V _{CC}	2.7	5.25	V
Logic High Input Voltage for TXD, MD0, MD1, and FIR_SEL	V _{IH}	2 V _{CC} /3	V _{CC}	V
Logic Low Transmitter Input Voltage	VIL	0	V _{CC} /3	V
LED (Logic High) Current Pulse Amplitude	I _{LEDA}	180	300	mA
Receiver Signal Rate		2.4	115.2	kb/s

Electrical & Optical Specifications

Specifications hold over the Recommended Operating Conditions unless otherwise noted. Unspecified test conditions can be anywhere in their operating range. All typical values are at 25 °C and 3.3 V unless otherwise noted.

Parameter		Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Conditions
Transceiver							
Supply Current	Shutdown	I _{CC1}		10	200	nA	$\begin{array}{l} V_{I}(TXD) \leq V_{IL} \text{ or} \\ V_{I}(TXD) \geq V_{IH} \end{array}$
-	ldle	I _{CC2}		2.5	5	mA	$V_I(TXD) \le V_{IL}, EI = 0$
Digital Input Current	Logic Low/High	I _{L/H}	-1		1	μA	$0 \leq V_I \leq V_{CC}$
Transmitter							
Transmitter Radiant Intensity	Logic High Intensity	Elh	50	120	400	mW/sr	$\label{eq:VIH} \begin{array}{l} V_{IH} = 3.0 \ V \\ I_{LEDA} = 200 \ mA \\ \theta_{1/2} \leq 15^{\circ} \end{array}$
	Peak Wavelength	λp		875		nm	
	Spectral Line Half Width	$\Delta\lambda_{1/2}$		35		nm	
-	Viewing Angle	20 _{1/2}	30		60	0	
-	Optical Pulse Width	tpw (EI)	1.5	1.6	1.8	μs	tpw(TXD) = 1.6 μs at 115.2 kb/s
-	Rise and Fall Times	t _r (EI), t _f (EI)			40	ns	tpw(TXD) = 1.6 μs at 115.2 kb/s t _{r/f} (TXD) = 10 ns
-	Maximum Optical Pulse Width	tpw (max)		20	50	μs	TXD pin stuck high
LED Anode On State Voltage		V _{ON} (LEDA)			2.4	V	$\begin{split} I_{LEDA} &= 200 \text{ mA}, \\ V_{I}(TXD) \geq V_{IH} \end{split}$
LED Anode Off State Leakage	Current	I _{LK} (LEDA)		1	100	nA	$\label{eq:VLEDA} \begin{split} V_{LEDA} = V_{CC} = 5.25 \ V, \\ V_{I}(TXD) \leq V_{IL} \end{split}$

Electrical & Optical Specifications

Specifications hold over the Recommended Operating Conditions unless otherwise noted. Unspecified test conditions can be anywhere in their operating range. All typical values are at 25 °C and 3.3 V unless otherwise noted.

	Parameter	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Conditions
Receiver							
Receiver Data Output Voltage	Logic Low ^[7]	V _{OL}	0	-	0.4	V	$\label{eq:I0L} \begin{split} I_{0L} &= 1.0 \text{ mA}, \\ EI &\geq 3.6 \mu W/\text{cm}^2, \\ \theta_{1/2} &\leq 15^\circ \end{split}$
	Logic High	V _{OH}	V _{CC} -0.2	-	V _{CC}	V	$\begin{array}{l} I_{0H} = -20 \; \mu A, \\ EI \leq 0.3 \; \mu W/cm^2, \\ \theta_{1/2} \leq 15^\circ \end{array}$
	Viewing Angle	2θ _{1/2}	30			0	
Logic High Receiver Input Irradiance		El _H	0.0036		500	mW/cm ²	For in-band signals ≤ 115.2 kb/s ^[8]
Logic Low Rece Irradiance	eiver Input	EIL			0.3	μW/cm²	For in-band signals ^[8]
Receiver Peak Sensitivity Wavelength		λ _P		880		nm	
Receiver SIR Pulse Width		tpw (SIR)	1		4.0	μs	$\theta_{1/2} \le 15^{\circ[9]}$, CL= 10 pF
Receiver Latency Time		tL		20	50	μs	
Receiver Rise/F	all Times	t _{r/f} (RXD)		25		ns	
Receiver Wake	Up Time	tw			100	μs	[10]

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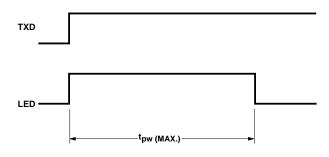
7. Logic Low is a pulsed response. The condition is maintained for duration dependent on pattern and strength of the incident intensity.

8. An in-band optical signal is a pulse/sequence where the peak wavelength, lp, is defined as 850 ≤ lp ≤ 900 nm, and the pulse characteristics are compliant with the IrDA Serial Infrared Physical Layer Link Specification.

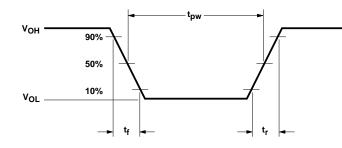
9. For in-band signals \leq 115.2 kb/s where 3.6 $\mu W/cm^2$ \leq El \leq 500 mW/cm^2.

10. Wake Up Time is the time between the transition from a shutdown state to an active state and the time when the receiver is active and ready to receive infrared signals.

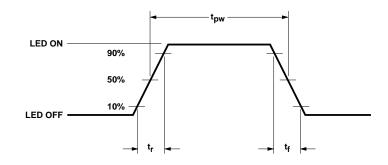
TXD "Stuck ON" Protection



RXD Output Waveform

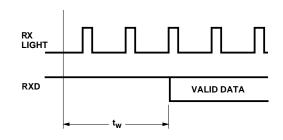


LED Optical Waveform



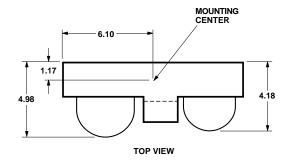
Receiver Wake Up Time Definition

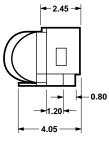
(when MD0 π 1 and MD1 π 0)



HSDL-3612-007 and HSDL3612-037 Package Outline with Dimension and Recommended PC Board Pad Layout

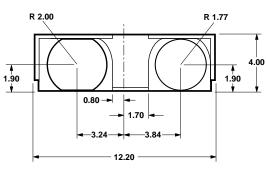
PIN	FUNCTION	PIN	FUNCTION
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2	AGND	7	GND
3	GND	8	RXD
4	MD0	9	TXD
5	MD1	10	LEDA



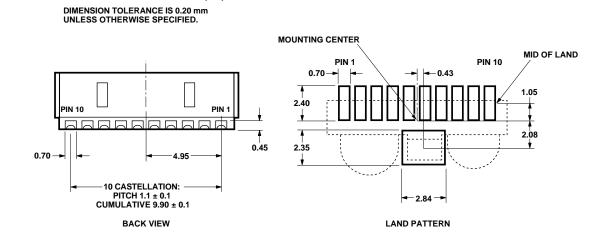


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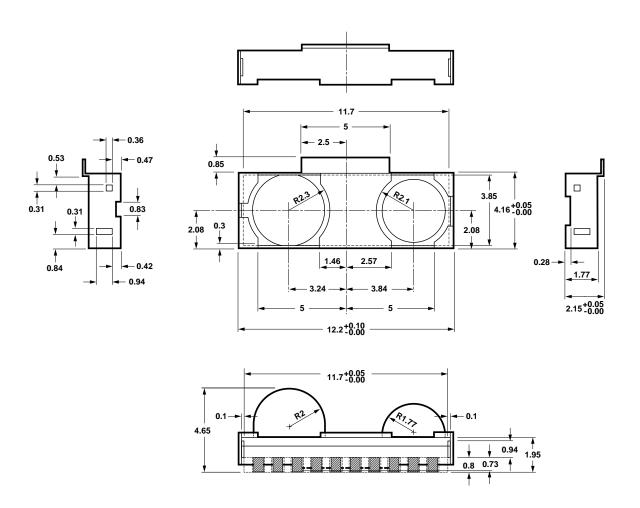


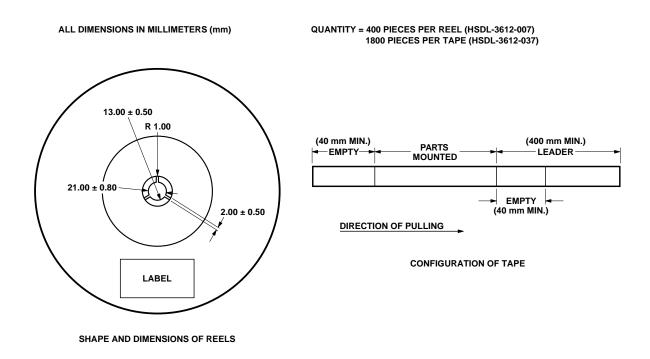


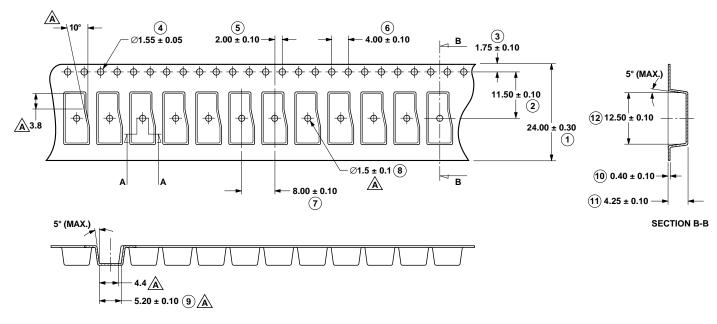
FRONT VIEW



HSDL-3612-008 and HSDL3612-038 Package Outline with Dimension and Recommended PC Board Pad Layout





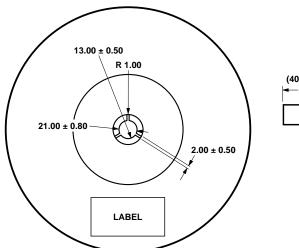


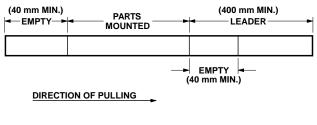
SECTION A-A

Tape and Reel Dimensions (HSDL-3612-008, -038)

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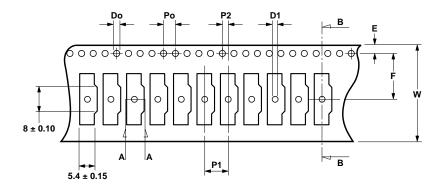
QUANTITY = 400 PIECES PER REEL (HSDL-3612-008) 1800 PIECES PER TAPE (HSDL-3612-038)





CONFIGURATION OF TAPE

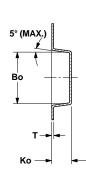
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF REELS







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SECTION B-B

SYMBOL	Ao	Во	Ко	Ро	P1	P2	т
SPEC	4.4 ± 0.10	12.50 ± 0.10	4.85 ± 0.10	4.0 ±0.10	8.0 ± 0.10	2.0 ± 0.10	0.35 ± 0.10
SYMBOL	E	F	Do	D1	w	10Po	
SPEC	1.75 ± 0.10	11.5 ± 0.10	1.55 ± 0.10	1.5 ± 0.10	24.0 ± 0.3	40.0 ± 0.20	

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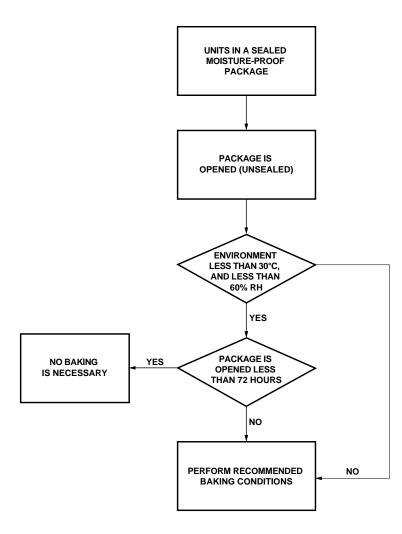
1. I.D. sprocket hole pitch cumulative tolerance is \pm 0.2 mm.

2. Corner camber shall be not more than 1 mm per 100 mm through a length of 250 mm.

Ao and Bo measured on a place 0.3 mm above the bottom of the pocket.
 Ko measured from a place on the inside bottom of the pocket to top surface of carrier.
 Pocket position relative to sprocket hole measured as true position of pocket, not pocket hole.

Moisture Proof Packaging

All HSDL-3612 options are shipped in moisture proof package. Once opened, moisture absorption begins.



Baking Conditions

If the parts are not stored in dry conditions, they must be baked before reflow to prevent damage to the parts.

Package	Temp.	Time
In reels	60°C	\geq 48 hours
In bulk	100°C	\geq 4 hours
	125°C	\geq 2 hours
	150°C	\geq 1 hour

Baking should be done only once.

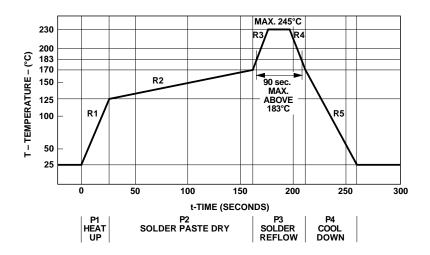
Recommended	Storage Conditions	
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Storage Temperature	10°C to 30°C
Relative Humidity	below 60% RH

Time from Unsealing to Soldering

After removal from the bag, the parts should be soldered within three days if stored at the recommended storage conditions. If times longer than 72 hours are needed, the parts must be stored in a dry box.

Reflow Profile



Process Zone	Symbol	DT	Maximum DT/Dtime
Heat Up	P1, R1	25°C to 125°C	4°C/s
Solder Paste Dry	P2, R2	125°C to 170°C	0.5°C/s
	P3, R3	170°C to 230°C	4°C/s
Solder Reflow		(245°C at 10 seconds max.)	
	P3, R4	230°C to 170°C	-4°C/s
Cool Down	P4, R5	170°C to 25°C	-3°C/s
COOI DOWN	P4, R5	170°C to 25°C	-3°U/S

The reflow profile is a straightline representation of a nominal temperature profile for a convective reflow solder process. The temperature profile is divided into four process zones, each with different $\Delta T/\Delta time$ temperature change rates. The $\Delta T/\Delta time$ rates are detailed in the above table. The temperatures are measured at the component to printed circuit board connections.

In **process zone P1**, the PC board and HSDL-3612 castellation I/O pins are heated to a temperature of 125°C to activate the flux in the solder paste. The temperature ramp up rate, R1, is limited to 4°C per second to allow for even heating of both the PC board and HSDL-3612 castellation I/O pins. **Process zone P2** should be of sufficient time duration (> 60 seconds) to dry the solder paste. The temperature is raised to a level just below the liquidus point of the solder, usually 170°C (338°F).

Process zone P3 is the solder reflow zone. In zone P3, the temperature is quickly raised above the liquidus point of solder to 230°C (446°F) for optimum results. The dwell time above the liquidus point of solder should be between 15 and 90 seconds. It usually takes about 15 seconds to assure proper coalescing of the solder balls into liquid solder and the formation of good solder connections. Beyond a dwell time of 90 seconds, the intermetallic growth within the solder connections becomes excessive,

resulting in the formation of weak and unreliable connections. The temperature is then rapidly reduced to a point below the solidus temperature of the solder, usually 170°C (338°F), to allow the solder within the connections to freeze solid.

Process zone P4 is the cool down after solder freeze. The cool down rate, R5, from the liquidus point of the solder to 25°C (77°F) should not exceed -3°C per second maximum. This limitation is necessary to allow the PC board and HSDL-3612 castellation I/O pins to change dimensions evenly, putting minimal stresses on the HSDL-3612 transceiver.

Appendix A: HSDL-3612-007/-037 SMT Assembly Application Note

1.0 Solder Pad, Mask and Metal Solder Stencil Aperture

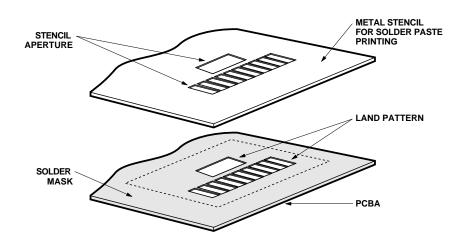
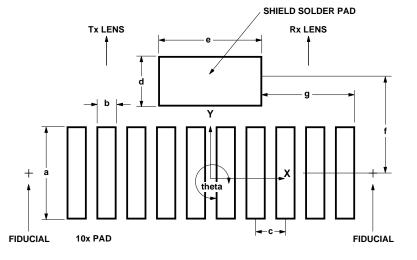


Figure 1.0. Stencil and PCBA.

1.1 Recommended Land Pattern for HSDL-3612-007/-037

Dim.	mm	Inches
а	2.40	0.095
b	0.70	0.028
c (pitch)	1.10	0.043
d	2.35	0.093
е	2.80	0.110
f	3.13	0.123
g	4.31	0.170





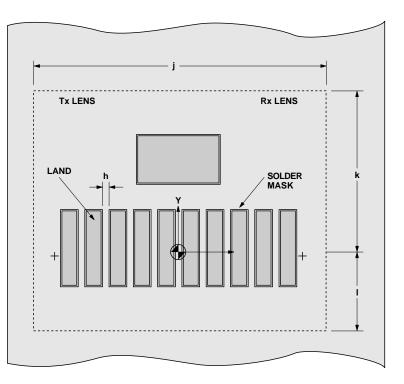
1.2 Adjacent Land Keep-out and Solder Mask Areas

mm	Inches
min. 0.2	min. 0.008
13.4	0.528
4.7	0.185
3.2	0.126
	min. 0.2 13.4 4.7

- Adjacent land keep-out is the **maximum space** occupied by the unit relative to the land pattern. There should be no other SMD components within this area.
- "h" is the minimum solder resist strip width required to avoid solder bridging adjacent pads.
- It is recommended that 2 fiducial cross be placed at midlength of the pads for unit alignment.

2.0 Recommended Solder Paste/ Cream Volume for Castellation Joints

Based on calculation and experiment, the printed solder paste volume required per castellation pad is 0.30 cubic mm (based on either no-clean or aqueous solder cream types with typically 60 to 65% solid content by volume). Note: Wet/Liquid Photo-Imaginable solder resist/mask is recommended.





2.1 Recommended Metal Solder Stencil Aperture

It is recommended that only 0.152 mm (0.006 inches) or 0.127 mm (0.005 inches) thick stencil be used for solder paste

printing. This is to ensure adequate printed solder paste volume and no shorting. The following combination of metal stencil aperture and metal stencil thickness should be used:

t, nominal stencil thickness		I, length of apert	ure
mm	inches	mm	inches
0.152	0.006	2.8 ± 0.05	0.110 ± 0.002
0.127	0.005	3.4 ± 0.05	0.134 ± 0.002
	w, the width of ape	rture is fixed at 0.70 mm (0.02	28 inches)
A	perture opening for shield p	ad is 2.8 mm x 2.35 mm as p	er land dimensions

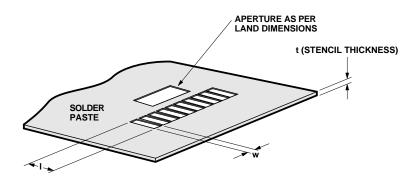


Figure 4.0. Solder paste stencil aperture.

3.0 Pick and Place Misalignment Tolerance and Product Self-Alignment after Solder Reflow

If the printed solder paste volume is adequate, **the unit will selfalign** in the X-direction after solder reflow. Units should be properly reflowed in IR Hot Air convection oven using the recommended reflow profile. The direction of board travel does not matter.

Allowable Misalignment Tolerance

X – direction	≤ 0.2 mm (0.008 inches)
Theta – direction	\pm 2 degrees

3.1 Tolerance for X-axis Alignment of Castellation

Misalignment of castellation to the land pad should not exceed 0.2 mm or approximately half the width of the castellation during placement of the unit. The castellations will completely selfalign to the pads during solder reflow as seen in the pictures below.



Photo 1.0. Castellation misaligned to land pads in x-axis before reflow.

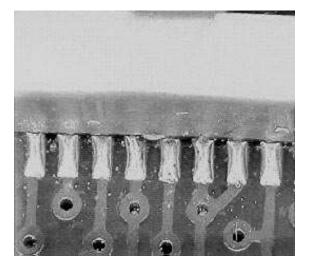


Photo 2.0. Castellation self-align to land pads after reflow.

3.2 Tolerance for Rotational (Theta) Misalignment

Units when mounted should not be rotated more than ± 2 degrees with reference to center X-Y as specified in Fig 2.0. Pictures 3.0 and 4.0 show units before and after reflow. Units with a Theta misalignment of more than 2 degrees do not completely self align after reflow. Units with \pm 2 degree rotational or Theta misalignment self-aligned completely after solder reflow.

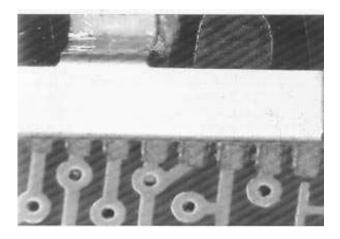


Photo 3.0. Unit is rotated before reflow.

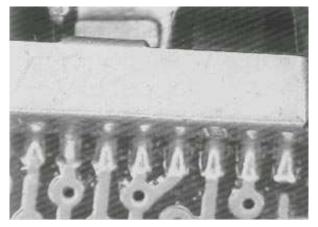


Photo 4.0. Unit self-aligns after reflow.

3.3 Y-axis Misalignment of Castellation

In the Y-direction, the unit does not self-align after solder reflow. It is recommended that the unit be placed in line with the fiducial mark (mid-length of land pad.) This will enable sufficient land length (minimum of 1/2 land length.) to form a good joint. See Fig 5.0.

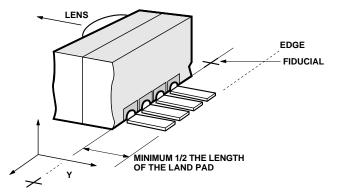


Figure 5.0. Section of a castellation in Y-axis.

3.4 Example of Good HSDL-3612-007/-037 Castellation Solder Joints

This joint is formed when the printed solder paste volume is adequate, i.e. 0.30 cubic mm and reflowed properly. It should be reflowed in IR Hot-air convection reflow oven. Direction of board travel does not matter.

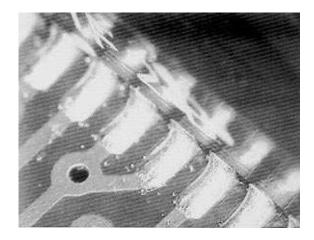
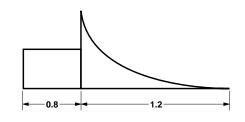
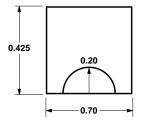


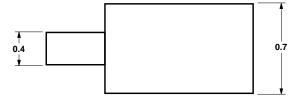
Photo 5.0. Good solder joint.

4.0 Solder Volume Evaluation and Calculation

Geometry of an HSDL-3612-007/ -037 solder fillet.







Appendix B: HSDL-3612-008/-038 SMT Assembly Application Note

1.0. Solder Pad, Mask, and Metal Solder Stencil Aperture

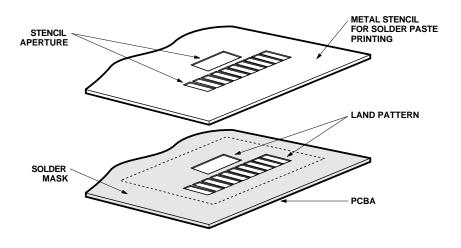
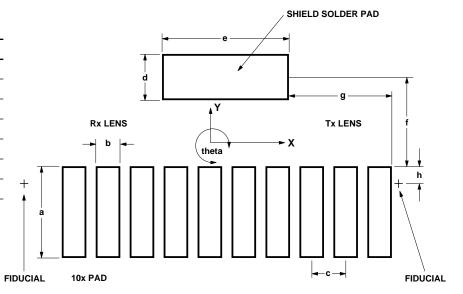


Figure 1. Stencil and PCBA.

1.1. Recommended Land Pattern for HSDL-3612-008/-038

Dim.	mm	inches
а	1.95	0.077
b	0.60	0.024
c (pitch)	1.10	0.043
d	1.60	0.063
е	5.70	0.224
f	3.80	0.123
g	2.40	0.170
9	2.40	0.170



2.0 Y-axis Misalignment of Castellation

In the Y-direction, the unit does not self-align after solder reflow. It is recommended that the unit be placed in line with the fiducial mark (mid-length of land pad). This will enable sufficient land length (minimum of 1/2 land length) to form a good joint. See Figure 2.

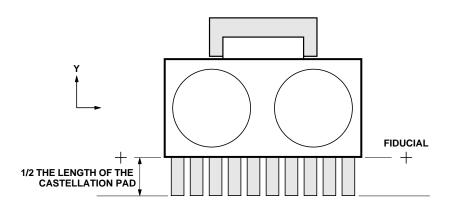


Figure 2. Section of a castellation in Y-axis.

Appendix C: Optical Port Dimensions for HSDL-3612:

To ensure IrDA compliance, some constraints on the height and width of the window exist. The minimum dimensions ensure that the IrDA cone angles are met without vignetting. The maximum dimensions minimize the effects of stray light. The minimum size corresponds to a cone angle of 30^0 and the maximum size corresponds to a cone angle of 60° .

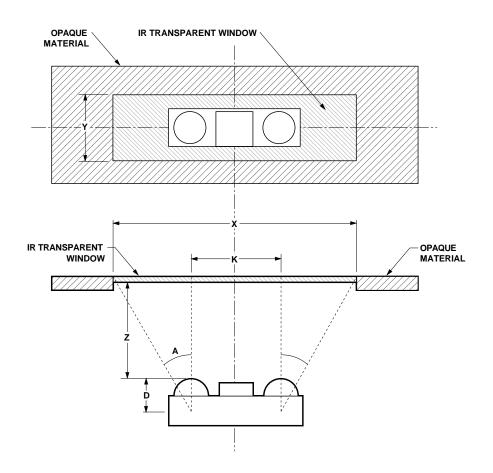
In the figure below, X is the width of the window, Y is the height of the window and Z is the distance from the HSDL-3612 to the back of the window. The distance from the center of the LED lens to the center of the photodiode lens, K, is 7.08mm. The equations for computing the window dimensions are as follows:

$$X = K + 2*(Z+D)*tanA$$
$$Y = 2*(Z+D)*tanA$$

The above equations assume that the thickness of the window is negligible compared to the distance of the module from the back of the window (Z). If they are comparable, Z' replaces Z in the above equation. Z' is defined as Z'=Z+t/n

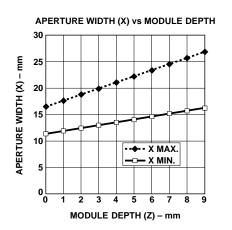
where 't' is the thickness of the window and 'n' is the refractive index of the window material.

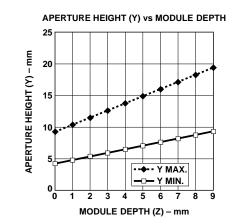
The depth of the LED image inside the HSDL-3612, D, is 8mm. 'A' is the required half angle for viewing. For IrDA compliance, the minimum is 15^0 and the maximum is 30^0 . Assuming the thickness of the window to be negligible, the equations result in the following tables and graphs:



Section of a castellation in Y-axis.

	Aperture Width (x, mm)		Aperture (y, mm)	Aperture height (y, mm)	
Module Depth, (z) mm	max.	min.	max.	min.	
0	16.318	11.367	9.238	4.287	
1	17.472	11.903	10.392	4.823	
2	18.627	12.439	11.547	5.359	
3	19.782	12.975	12.702	5.895	
4	20.936	13.511	13.856	6.431	
5	22.091	14.047	15.011	6.967	
6	23.246	14.583	16.166	7.503	
7	24.401	15.118	17.321	8.038	
8	25.555	15.654	18.475	8.574	
9	26.710	16.190	19.630	9.110	





Window Material

Almost any plastic material will work as a window material. Polycarbonate is recommended. The surface finish of the plastic should be smooth, without any texture. An IR filter dye may be used in the window to make it look black to the eye, but the total optical loss of the window should be 10 percent or less for best optical performance. Light loss should be measured at 875 nm.

Shape of the Window

From an optics standpoint, the window should be flat. This

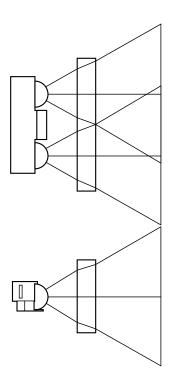
ensures that the window will not alter either the radiation pattern of the LED, or the receive pattern of the photodiode.

If the window must be curved for mechanical or industrial design reasons, place the same curve on the back side of the window that has an identical radius as the front side. While this will not completely eliminate the lens effect of the front curved surface, it will significantly reduce the effects. The amount of change in the radiation pattern is dependent upon the material chosen for the window, the radius of the front and back curves, and the distance from the back surface to the transceiver. Once these items are known, a lens design can be made which will eliminate the effect of the front surface curve.

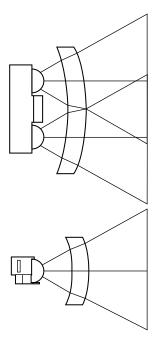
The following drawings show the effects of a curved window on the radiation pattern. In all cases, the center thickness of the window is 1.5 mm, the window is made of polycarbonate plastic, and the distance from the transceiver to the back surface of the window is 3 mm.

Flat Window

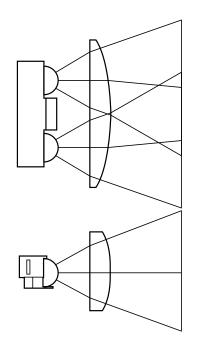
(First choice)



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