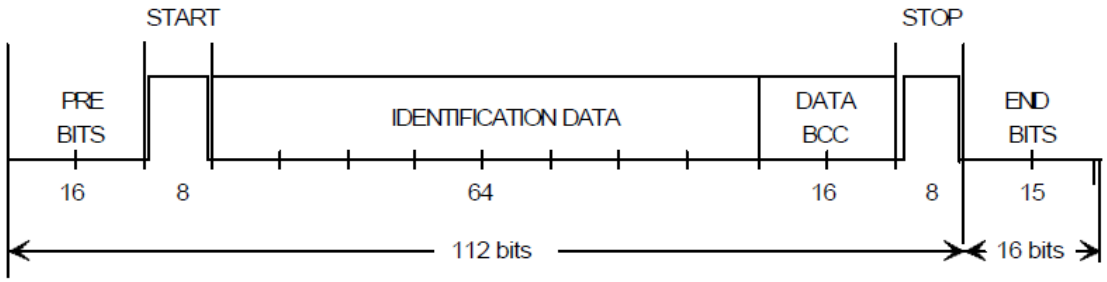
4C Transponder Information

The 4C transponder ID can be broke down into 5 parts;

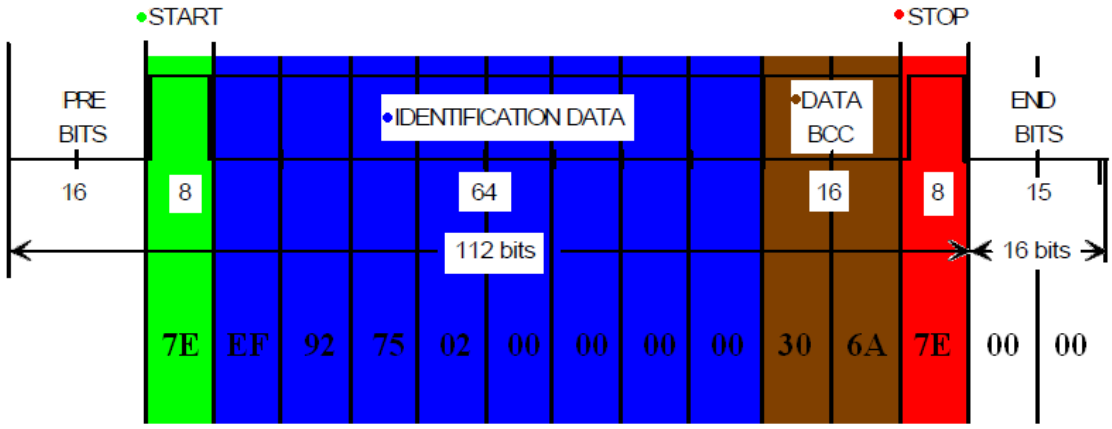
- Start bit (1 byte)
- Data (8 bytes)
- Checksum (2 byte)
- Stop bit (1 byte)
- End bits (2 bytes)

As seen here;



Example 4C ID in TIRIS format (Texas Instruments Registration and Identification System)

7E EF 92 75 02 00 00 00 00 30 6A 7E 00 00

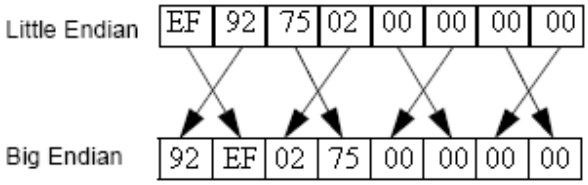


- The start and stop bit are always 7E.
- Only the first 4 bytes of the data are used the remainder being ‘00’.
- The checksum of the TIRIS format uses CRC-CCITT (Kermit) (0x5EF3) and is calculated from the **8 bytes** of Data.
- The End bits are always “00 00”

Getting Key Data From EPROM Files

Only the 8 data bytes are stored in eprom and are often repeated multiple times.

Also the data is often byte swopped;



Using the above example with the start/stop/checksum/end bytes all removed;

EF 92 75 02 00 00 00 00

Will often be in the eprom as;

92 EF 02 75 00 00 00 00

Offset	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F
00000000	92	EF	02	75	00	00	00	00	92	EF	02	75	00	00	00	00
00000010	92	EF	02	75	00	00	00	00	92	EF	02	75	00	00	00	00
00000020	92	EF	02	75	00	00	00	00	92	EF	02	75	00	00	00	00
00000030	92	EF	02	75	00	00	00	00	92	EF	02	75	00	00	00	00
00000040	B0	13	02	7B	00	00	00	00	B0	13	02	7B	00	00	00	00
00000050	B0	13	02	7B	00	00	00	00	B0	13	02	7B	00	00	00	00
00000060	B0	13	02	7B	00	00	00	00	B0	13	02	7B	00	00	00	00
00000070	B0	13	02	7B	00	00	00	00	B0	13	02	7B	00	00	00	00
00000080	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
00000090	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
000000A0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
000000B0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
000000C0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
000000D0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
000000E0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
000000F0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
00000100	93	2A	02	75	00	00	00	00	93	2A	02	75	00	00	00	00
00000110	93	2A	02	75	00	00	00	00	93	2A	02	75	00	00	00	00
00000120	93	2A	02	75	00	00	00	00	93	2A	02	75	00	00	00	00
00000130	93	2A	02	75	00	00	00	00	93	2A	02	75	00	00	00	00
00000140	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
00000150	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
00000160	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
00000170	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
00000180	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
00000190	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
000001A0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
000001B0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
000001C0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	00
000001D0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	00	30	00	30	00	30	00	30
000001E0	00	30	00	30	00	30	00	30	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF
000001F0	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	FF	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC	EC

In the above picture we can see the example data repeated 8 times in **red**.

Highlighted in **blue** and **purple** are two more keys, with two unused keys in **green** and **yellow** and the possibility of a couple of unused keys after that.

Your eprom may have a different number of repeats and different locations, you are looking for 4 bytes of data followed by 4 bytes of “00 00 00 00” probably repeated.

If you have a known key you can isolate the key data and try to find the bytes (you may have to byte swop) to find the area where keys are stored, then you will have to figure out the pattern and alter as required.

Keys can be removed (‘FF’’s), added or changed.

TIRIS Format to TPX1/Electronic Head Format

- The TXP1 format has the same start/stop/end bytes as TIRIS.
- The checksum is calculated with CRC-CCITT (0x0000) which is the same CRC routine but has a starting value of 0x0000 as apposed to TIRIS 0x5EF3.

The Data for TPX1 format can be worked out from the TIRIS format.

Take the TIRIS format data : EF 92 75 02 00 00 00 00

Now we need to change each byte into binary (can use window calc in scientific mode)

Type the byte in hex mode “EF” now click bin -> 11101111

NOTE: Windows calc removes leading 0’s we need them so if there isn’t 8 bits pad the number with 0’s at the START to make 8 bits.

Now take 11101111 and reverse the bits to get 11110111 convert this back to hex -> F7

This is our first byte in TPX1 format. Do the same for each byte you will get F7 49 AE 40 00 00 00 00

You can now use this along with a CRC calculator such as http://www.lammertbies.nl/comm/info/crc-calculation.html

To get the CRC of “0C 56” CRC-CCITT (0x0000)(XModem)

Add this to the data along with the start/stop/end bits to get the TPX1 data; 7E F7 49 AE 40 00 00 00 00 0C 56 7E 00 00