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KC80, a Fast Z80 Compatible CPU Core and

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1 Background

A CPU core is different from a standard CPU, being a CPU circuit block that is designed especially to be part

Table 1   Specifications of KC80 CPU core

Maximum clock frequency	10 MHz
Operational clock frequency	0 ~ 10 MHz
Performance	·5 times faster than Z80 (8 MHz)
	·Minimum execution time; 0.1 μs
Instruction set	Binary compatible with Z80

·1 clock cycle/memory access

Bug Finder Adapter

Custom ASIC microcontroller chip

Personal computer

Bug Finder communicates
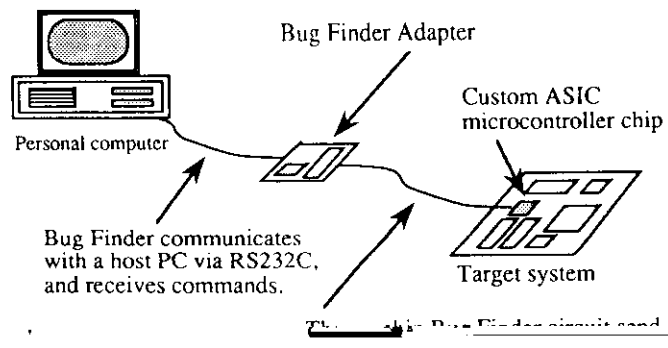with a host PC via RS232C,
and receives commands.

Target system

Fig. 2   Configuration of Bug Finder system in use