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INTRODUCTION

The Current Loop Interface Adapter (015-0361-00) is a compact unit that allows Tektronix Data Communication Testers to monitor and send data through current loop interfaces rather than through the standard RS-232-C interfaces. The adapter can monitor both two-wire (simplex or half-duplex) and four-wire (full-duplex) lines.

The current source for each of the two loops is selectable by the operator and can be either externally supplied by the unit under test or internally provided by the adapter. This current loop testing capability is enabled whenever the 26-pin connector plug (P5100) on the end of the adapter cable is inserted into connector receptacle J5100 on the rear panel of the data comm tester.



Fig. 1-1. Current Loop Interface Adapter.

SPECIFICATION

Table 1-1

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristics	Performance Requirements	Supplemental Information
Current Sources		
Internal		
20 mA	18 mA ≤MARK ≤22 mA. 0 mA ≤SPACE ≤1.5 mA.	

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60 mA	54 mA ≼MARK ≼66 mA. 0 mA ≼SPACE ≼1.5 mA. ≥8 V can be supplied across current loop leads.	
External	15 mA \leq MARK \leq 80 mA. 0 mA \leq SPACE \leq 1.5 mA. \leq 2 V required across T data leads. \leq 3 V required across R data leads.	
Current Loop Leads		
Maximum Input	125 V peak between leads.	External current source.
Voltage	125 V peak between either lead and ground.	
Maximum Output	$-30 \ \forall \leq V_{out} \leq 0 \ \forall.$	Internal current source.
Maximum Data Transfer Rate		
Seven and Eight Bits per Character	≥9600 bits per second.	
Five and Six Bits	≥4800 bits per second.	

Table 1-1 (cont)

Table 1-2

P5100 CONNECTIONS

Pin Number	Type of Data	
OUTPUTS:		
Pin 5	5 V (notifies Tester that Adapter is connected)	
Pin 8	R data	
Pin 12	Request to Send (held at ground)	
Pin 19	T data	
Pin 22	Data Terminal Ready (held high)	
INPUTS:		
Pin 10	Data input disable	
Pin 16	Data input	
POWER INPUTS FROM TESTER:		
Pins 7, 9, 11, 14, 17, 18, 20	STATIC GROUND	
Pins 13, 15	CHASSIS GROUND	
Pins 4, 23	+5 V supply	
Pins 1, 26	-12 V supply, unregulated. (Normal range -14 to -24 V)	

Table 1-3

ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristics	Description Vibration frequency cycled from 10 to 55 to 10 Hz (linear or logarithmic sweep) for a duration of 15 minutes in each major axis at a displacement of 0.050 inches (1.27 mm) peak-to-peak. Vibrated for 10 minutes in each major axis at any resonant frequencies.	
Vibration		
Shock	150 g's, 1/2-sine, 9 ms duration, three shocks in each major axis for a total of 18 shocks.	

Table 1-4

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristics	Description	
Overall Dimension		
Length	5.4 inches (13.7 cm).	
Width	3.25 inches (8.25 cm).	
Height	1.6 inches (4.1 cm).	-
Weight	Not more than 1 pound (0.45 kg).	

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CONTROLS, CONNECTORS, AND INDICATORS

The locations of the Current Loop Interface Adapter controls, connectors, and indicators are depicted in Fig. 1-2 and are keyed to the following descriptions.

R-DATA LOOP

- Test Leads—Two color coded test leads are connected in series with the Receive-Data Current Loop. Current flows into the black lead and out of the red lead, as marked by the arrows on the front panel. Data on this loop will be treated as Data Communications Equipment (DCE) data by the data comm tester. In the Simulate, Echo, and Repeat modes, data is transmitted by the tester on this loop. In the two-wire mode, use this loop only and set data comm tester for half-duplex (HDX) operation.
- 2 REV Indicator—A reverse LED that illuminates whenever current is flowing backwards in the R-Data Loop, indicating that test leads should be reversed.



Fig. 1-2. Location of Controls, Connectors, and Indicators.