



Dash 18® **Operations Manual**

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Appendix A: Specifications

Color Display

Type.....	Active matrix color LCD (TFT) with 15.4" viewing area
Resolution.....	1280 x 1024
Touch	Full screen, resistive
Functions	User interface with touch-based icons and menus; Real-time waveform monitoring; Review previous waveform records while recording; Overlay numeric values in Engineering Units

Signal Modules

Number of Modules.....	Up to 3
Number of Channels.....	Maximum of 18

Standard Event Inputs

Number of Inputs.....	8
Connector	D-shell (9 pin)
Input Type	TTL with pull up (0 to 5 V)
Response.....	Detects if duration > 0.01 msec

Real-time Signal Processing

Filters.....	Low Pass Stops: 10 Hz to 10,000 Hz; High Pass Starts: 0.1 Hz to 100 Hz; Notch: 50 or 60 Hz center
RMS.....	Time constant selectable from 0.002 to 2 seconds
Frequency to Voltage	5 Hz to 20 kHz, ± 0.05 % of measurement + 0.1 Hz
Cross Channel.....	Sum, Difference, Ratio, Product (Power)

Real-time Signal Testing

Basic.....	All active signals monitored simultaneously
Test Types.....	Tests include window, slope/level, slew and event pattern
Outputs.....	Result available for alarms, trigger, abort and external TTL

Data Capture

Recording Method	Internal 9 or 18 GByte hard drive
Max. Sample Rate	100,000 samples/second each channel (all channels)
Min. Sample Rate.....	1 sample/minute
Dual Sample Rate	Second slower rate available
Total Capacity	Over 4 billion samples
Maximum Record	2 billion samples
Header.....	Information on units, range, sample rates, etc. saved with data
Events.....	All standard event inputs captured with waveforms
Trigger Point Lock.....	Amount of pre- and post-trigger is user adjustable
Auto Re-Arm.....	Allows automatic stacking of captures
Ext. Sample rate	External TTL sample clock to 40,000 Hz Rates approaching 100 KHz can be used if up to a 10-microsecond jitter is acceptable.

Signal Conditioner Specifications (SM-U)

General Specifications (all input types unless specified otherwise)	
Channels per module.....	6
Isolation	250 Vrms (iso-common to chassis and other iso-commons)
Bandwidth	12 kHz (-3 dB)
Input Coupling	DC
User Engineering Units	Yes
Calibration.....	Semi-automated to external reference
Input Type	Overvoltage Category II, Pollution Degree 2

Single-ended Voltage Input

Connector	Guarded banana jack
Max Rated Input.....	± 250 Vrms
Max Transient Input.....	± 400 V
Specified Ranges.....	40 to 400 VFS; 4 to 40 VFS; 0.4 to 4 VFS
Accuracy (25 °C)	$\pm 0.5\%$ of attenuator
Intrinsic Noise	Less than .1% of attenuator.
Min Input Impedance	1 Megohm

Differential Voltage Measurements (use for bridge measurements)

Input Type Isolated, differential
Connector Screw Terminal Header
Absolute Max Input ± 40 V differential
Measuring Ranges 200 to 1600 mVFS; 50 to 500 mVFS; 5 to 50 mVFS
Accuracy (25°C) $\pm 0.5\%$ of attenuator
Min Input Impedance 200 KOhm
CMR at 60 Hz > 60 dB
Intrinsic Noise $\pm 0.1\%$ of attenuator (100 Hz LPF on 50 mV attenuator)
Auto Balance Yes (limited by maximum span)

Thermocouple Measurements

Input Type Isolated, differential with Screw Terminal Header
Connector
Absolute Max Input ± 40 V
Specified Range Type J: 0 to 760 °C;
Type K: 0 to 1370 °C;
Type T: -160 to 400 °C;
Type E: -100 to 870 °C;
Type N: 0 to 1300 °C
Accuracy (25°C) 0.5% of measurement +2 °C
Bandwidth 10 Hz (-3 dB)
Intrinsic Noise 0.5 °C (1 Hz filter)
Linearization NIST polynomial
Units °C or °F

Excitation

Connector Screw Terminal Header
Excitation Isolated 10 V @ 20 mA
Adjustable 0.1 to 10.1 V

Frequency Measurements

Measurement Zero-crossing, channels 1, 7 and 13 only
Signal Amplitude Peak to peak minimum is 20% of attenuator
Histograms Yes

Removable Drive

Type..... 250 MB Zip
Format..... MSDOS® format
Function Setup files, software upgrades, data transfer/archive

Power

Input Voltage Range 102 to 264 VAC
Frequency Range 47 Hz to 63 Hz
Power Consumption 300 W maximum, 130 W typical w/o printer

Compliance

Safety EN 61010-1, UL 61010A-1 1st Edition, CSAC 22.2 No. 1010. 1-92
EMC..... FCC Part 15, Subpart B, Class A, EN61326:1998, Class A
Power Harmonics..... IEC1000-3-2

Physical

Enclosure Aluminum
Dimensions..... 14.6" L x 13.9" W x 6.4" H
Weight..... 27 lbs

Environmental

Operating Temp..... 5 to 40 °C (40 to 105 °F)
Non-operating Temp -20 to 60 °C (-4 to 140 °F)
Operating Humidity 10% to 95% non-condensing

Optional Chart Recorder

Chart Width..... 11"
Max. Chart Speed 50 mm/sec

Optional DC Input Power

Input Range..... 9 - 18 V
Input Power..... 200 W max
Fuse User replaceable 25 A