PK-232/USB

Multimode Data Controller

Timewave’s Sound Card Interface Improves the PK-232/DSP!

Now with USB!

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More Filters, Better Filters, Automatic selection

The PK-232/USB brickwall filters have tighter bandwidth and steeper skirts for improved noise and QRM rejection. New PK-232 firmware (Ver. 7.2) allows a wider selection of filters than the original PK-232, so the filter can match the mode. The correct DSP filter is automatically selected when you choose an internal mode. In RTTY, Timewave’s proven Twin Peak Filters pluck the mark and space tones from the noise and QRM for great copy. In PACTOR, the filter bandwidth automatically changes when the baud rate shifts in response to the error rate of the link. In Morse (CW), the operator can preset either 100 Hz or 200 Hz bandwidth. The PK-232/USB is compatible with all Windows XP/98SE software terminal programs for the PK-232.

Software controlled and mode independent

The sound card mode is software controlled. For example, when operating with PK-TERM’99, changing to PSK31 from Pactor is a simple menu click. To run programs like PSK31, SSTV, MT63, Hellschreiber and MFSK16, as well as new future modes, just run Timewave’s ModemSwitch® program or enter a few short keyboard commands prior to executing the sound card application.

All the Proven Modes + All the Sound Card Modes

The PK-232/USB supports all the new sound card modes in addition to all of the existing PK-232 modes - Pactor, VHF/HF Packet, AMTOR/SITOR, Baudot, ASCII, Morse, HF Weather FAX, TDM, and NAVTEX. The PK-232/USB comes with a complete cable and connector set, in addition to Timewave’s on-line and telephone support.

Features

- Digital Signal Processor
- 18 DSP Filters
- Twin Peak RTTY Filters
- Adaptive PACTOR filters
- USB serial interface - new!
- Works with all sound card modes
- Sound card cable provided
- Transformer isolation for sound card input and output connections

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Specifications for the PK-232/PSK

DSP Filters, demodulator: 16 bit Analog Devices 2104 with 16 bit A/D-D/A for optimum filters for each mode, limiter, 4-pole discriminator, 5-pole post-detection low-pass filter

Modulator: Phase continuous sinewave, AFSK generator

Modulator output level: 5-200 mV RMS

Processor system: Zilog Z-80, ADSP2104

RAM: 32K Lithium battery-backed

ROM: 128K

Hardware HDLC: Zilog 85C30 SCC

Power requirements: +12 to +16VDC @ 590 mA (700 mA. recommended)

Input/Output Connections

Radio interface: Two 5-pin connectors, front panel selectable

Direct FSK outputs: Normal/Reverse

Scope outputs: Mark, space

CW keying outputs: +100 VDC @ 200 mA max and –25 VDC @ 30 mA max

Terminal interface: USB 2.0 driver included. USB “mini-B” connector

Terminal data rates: Autobaud settings at 300, 600, 1200, 2400, 4800, & 9600 bps

Sound card interface: 5-pin connector, dual transformer isolation

Physical

Dimensions: 11” (279mm)W x 8.25” (210mm)D x 2.5” (64mm)H

Weight: 3 lbs (1.35 kg)