CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator

INSTALLATION AND OPERATIONS MANUAL





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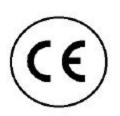
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The Declaration of Conformity is based upon compliance of the product with the following standards:

EN55022: 1994 EN55024: 1998 EN61000-3-2: 1995 EN61000-3-3: 1995

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INTRODUCTION

Disclaimer

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System introduction

Thank you for choosing the Rose Electronics® CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator™. The CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator is the result of Rose Electronics commitment to providing state-of-the-art solutions for today's demanding workplace.

The CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator is designed to work in conjunction with Rose Electronics' CrystalView KVM extender product line. It corrects the majority of skew issues caused by differences in cable types, and electrical lengths of the CAT5x/CAT6 wire pairs. This differing length of the RGB components can cause smearing and color fringing. The red, green, and blue color channels can be delayed from 0 to 36ns in increments of 3ns using the CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator. Each color channel can be independently adjusted so the three RGB components arrive at the monitor at the same time to produce a clear image.

Package contents

The package contents consists of the following:

- The CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator Unit
- UTP Patch Cable (1.64 feet / 0.5 meter)
- Installation and Operations Manual

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Model



Figure 1. Model

Connectors:

- RJ45 (8-pin) Extender
- RJ45 (8-pin) Interconnect

RJ45 Pins	Function	Diagram	
1 & 2 (Orange)	Blue Video (Adjustable from 0 to 36ns)	Green Pair 3	
3 & 6 (Green)	Green Video (Adjustable from 0 to 36ns)	Orange Blue Brown Pair 2 Pair 1 Pair 4	
4 & 5 (Blue)	Red Video (Adjustable from 0 to 36ns)		
7 & 8 (Brown)	Data (Straight through data lines, no delay)	003 46 076	
		RJ-45 JACK EIA/TIA 568B STANDARD	

Table 1. RJ45 Pin-out information

INSTALLATION

Installation

Please refer to the safety section first before proceeding with any installation or configuration of the CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator product.

The CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator module can add a delay on the red, blue, and green RGB color line pairs (pins 1&2, 3&6, and 4&5). The fourth line pair (Pins 7 & 8) is routed straight through the module with no delay (data lines). This configuration is compatible with all models of Rose Electronics CrystalView CAT5 KVM extenders. If your KVM extender is a different model, verify that the pin-out or your extender is compatible. As long as the RGB colors are routed on pins 1&2, 3&6, and 4&5 and the data is routed on pins 7 & 8, the module should function properly (See Table 1). The actual RGB colors labeled on the module may differ with different extenders (Blue may actually adjust the Red delay).

Connecting the CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator

The CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator should be placed in series with the main CAT5x/CAT6 cable. It is normally placed next to the Remote unit to allow for easy adjustments on both the Compensator and the KVM extender. See Figure 2. When the Compensator module has been installed, adjust the Remote unit for the best image with no video delay set on the CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator, then adjust the delay.

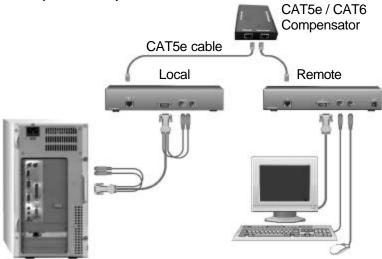


Figure 2. Module application

Switch settings

Before setting the delay switches, determine which colors need to be delayed. Using the Remote KVM station, open a text editor and enter some text using a large font (36 or greater). Use black text with a white background. If color fringing appears on the right edges of each character, that color is arriving at the monitor before the other colors. Note the fringe color and adjust the appropriate color delay switch using Table 2 as a guide. Adjust the switches while viewing the image on the Remote KVM station's monitor.

Note: When switching in/out the delay switches, the sync pulse are interrupted and you may temporarily lose the picture. Each delay setting (3, 6, 9, and 18ns) uses two switches, eight total. Make sure both switches for each delay setting is set to the same position. For example, to set the Blue channel to a 12nS delay, switches 1, 2, 5, and 6 would be set to the delay position.

Figure 3 shows an example of setting a delay of 3ns for the Blue channel, 15ns for the Green channel, and 24ns for the Red channel. The shaded areas represent the position of both switches. The delay added to any given color is the sum of the set switches for that color. If you needed a delay of 30nS, you would set both switches for the 3nS, 9nS, and the 18nS switches (3+9+18=30).

Alternative Skew correction method

Presently on the market, there are two main types of CAT5x/CAT6 cables. One is referred to as a 2+2, where two of the four pairs are similar in electrical length and the other two pairs are a different electrical length. The other type is referred to as a 3+1, where three pairs are similar in length. If you encounter skew using the 2+2 type cable, a Compensator module needs to be used because, to obtain the clearest possible image, there must be three pairs of similar electrical length wires, one for the red, green, and blue channels.

If a skew is present using a 3+1 type CAT5x/CAT6 cable, the three similar twisted pairs for the color channels could be pair swapped on the RJ45 pins to switch the RGB signals.

TIP: If a color needs compensating, start with a delay setting of 18nS and increase or reduce the delay as needed.

Right-hand color fringe	Red delay	Green Delay	Blue Delay
Red	Adjust		
Green		Adjust	
Blue			Adjust
Yellow	Adjust	Adjust	
Purple	Adjust		Adjust
Turquoise		Adjust	Adjust

Table 2. Initial delay adjustment

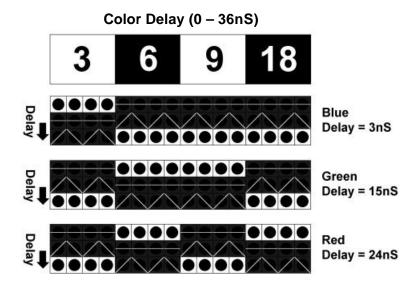


Figure 3. Delay switch settings

Service Information

Maintenance and Repair

This Unit does not contain any internal user-serviceable parts. In the event a Unit needs repair or maintenance, you must first obtain a Return Authorization (RA) number from Rose Electronics or an authorized repair center. This Return Authorization number must appear on the outside of the shipping container. See Limited Warranty for more information.

When returning a Unit, it should be double-packed in the original container or equivalent, insured and shipped to:

Rose Electronics

Attn: RA

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Houston, Texas 77099 USA

Technical Support

If you are experiencing problems, or need assistance in setting up, configuring or operating your product, consult the appropriate sections of this manual. If, however, you require additional information or assistance, please contact the Rose Electronics Technical Support Department at:

Phone: (281) 933-7673

E-Mail: TechSupport@rose.com

Web: www.rose.com

Technical Support hours are from: 8:00 am to 6:00 pm CST (USA), Monday through Friday.

Please report any malfunctions in the operation of this Unit or any discrepancies in this manual to the Rose Electronics Technical Support Department.

SAFETY

Safety

The CAT5e / CAT6 Compensator has been tested for conformance to safety regulations and requirements, and has been certified for international use. Like all electronic equipment, the Compensator module should be used with care. To protect yourself from possible injury and to minimize the risk of damage to the Unit, read and follow these safety instructions.

- Follow all instructions and warnings marked on this Unit.
- Except where explained in this manual, do not attempt to service this Unit yourself.
- Do not use this Unit near water.
- Assure that the placement of this Unit is on a stable surface.
- Keep objects that might damage this Unit and liquids that may spill, clear from this Unit. Liquids and foreign objects might come in contact with voltage points that could create a risk of fire or electrical shock.
- Operate this Unit only when the cover is in place.
- Do not use liquid or aerosol cleaners to clean this Unit
- Refer servicing to a qualified service center if any of the following conditions occur:
 - The Unit has been exposed to any liquids.
 - The Unit does not operate normally when all operating instructions have been followed.
 - The Unit has been dropped or the case has been damaged.
 - The Unit exhibits a distinct change in performance, indicating a need for service.

Safety information



Documentation reference symbol. If the product is marked with this symbol, refer to the product documentation to get more information about the product.

WARNING A WARNING in the manual denotes a hazard that

can cause injury or death.

CAUTION A CAUTION in the manual denotes a hazard that

can damage equipment.

Do not proceed beyond a WARNING or CAUTION notice until you have understood the hazardous conditions and have taken appropriate steps.

Grounding

These are Safety Class I products and have protective earthing terminals. There must be an un-interruptible safety earth ground from the main power source to the product's input wiring terminals, power cord, or supplied power cord set. Whenever it is likely that the protection has been impaired, disconnect the power cord until the ground has been restored.

Servicing

There are no user-serviceable parts inside these products. Only service-trained personnel must perform any servicing, maintenance, or repair.

APPENDICES

Appendix A. General specifications

Part number	ACC-DLCAT6	
Minimum delay (Each color)	Ons (Default setting)	
Maximum delay (Each color)	36ns	
Delay Increments	3ns	
Placement	In series with CAT5x/CAT6 cable	
Connectors	RJ45 (2)	
Adjustment method	Manual using changeover switches	
Technology	Passive using switched differential delay lines	
Weight	11.99 oz / 340g	
Dimensions	H: 1.18 in / 30 mm W: 3.15 in / 80 mm L: 4.72 in / 120 mm	

NOTES



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