# PCL-844+/PCI-1625 8-port Intelligent RS-232/422 Card



### Introduction

We designed the intelligent PCL-844+ 8-port RS-232 or RS-422 interface card for lab and industrial applications where a PC needs to communicate with terminals, modems, or other instruments. RS-422 applications use the optional Opt-8F/8Z 8-port RS-232 to RS-422 converter, shown on the following page. You can install up to four PCL-844+ cards for a total of 32 ports in any AT/ISA bus-based PC.

The PCL-844+ card has an on-board RISC processor that takes over the communications load from the host PC. When you are processing large amounts of data from multiple ports, servicing the interrupts alone consumes a large percentage of the capacity of your computer's CPU. The PCL-844+ serves as a high speed, dedicated interrupt processor. Its CPU directly controls the board's CD180 RISC-based UART, guaranteeing 921.6 Kbps performance of over eight high speed data ports.

The PCL-844+ is virtually a self contained computer in its own right. It contains 512 KB of dual-port RAM which you can use to store and run programs. The dual-port RAM maps into the host system's address space to give you the fastest possible data transfers between the PCL-844+ and the PC memory.

When the PCL-844+ initializes, it downloads the driver software (which functions like a PC's BIOS) into on-board SRAM. This improves performance and makes version upgrading easy, with no hardware redundancy.

# **Applications**

- · Data acquisition and control with RS-232/RS-422 based devices
- PLC monitoring and control
- · Instrument controller, distributed control system
- · Modem server, database server, POS controller
- · Multi-user system

#### **Features**

- · RISC Processor (TMS 320)
- · 512 KB dual-port RAM
- Transmission speed up to 921.6 Kbps with eight ports on-line
- · Complete RS-232 modem control signals
- Maps to just 16 KB of system memory. Choose one of six addresses from C8000 to DC000.
- Many IRQ options: 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 12 or 15
- · Easy-to-use menu driven installation program
- LEDs on connection box let you monitor the TxD/RxD status of any port
- Links to peripherals up to 1200 m (4000 ft) from controller (RS-422)

## Specifications

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Number of ports: 8

Processor: RISC, TI TMS320C203-57

· Dual-ported RAM: 512 KB

• **SRAM**: 16 KB

• UART: RISC-based CD180

• Interrupt: 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 11, 12 or 15

· Maximum ports in one system: 32

Operating temperature: 0 ~ 55° C (32 ~ 131° F)

Power consumption:

+5 V @ 155 mA, +12 V @ 110 mA, -12 V @ 160 mA

• Weight: 0.8 kg (1.8 lbs)

#### RS-232 Interface

· Signals:

TxD, RxD, RTS, CTS, DTR, DSR, DCD and GND

· Mode: Asynchronous full duplex

Communication speed: 50 ~ 921.6 Kbps

Data bits: 5, 6, 7, 8Stop bits: 1, 1.5, 2

Parity: Even, odd or none

# Cable Wiring

#### Opt8B: 8-port RS-232 Connection Box



· Eight male DB-25 connectors (DTE pin assignments)

· Includes 1.5-meter DB-62 to DB-62 cable

• Shipping weight: 1.4 kg (3.1 lbs)

• Dimensions: 280 x 110 x 32 mm (11.0" x 4.3" x 1.3")

#### Opt8C: DB-62 to 8 x DB-25 RS-232 Cable



 1-meter male DB-62 to eight male DB-25 connectors (DTE pin assignments)

· Shipping weight: 1.0 kg (2.2 lbs)

#### Opt8F/8Z 8-port RS-232 to RS-422 Converter



## **Specifications**

Speed: 50 ~ 921.6 Kbps
 Isolation: 500 V<sub>pc</sub> min.

· Signals: TxD+, TxD-, RxD+, RxD- and GND

· Differential driver:

Min. output voltage: 2 V (w/100 W termination resistor) Max. output voltage: 5 V (w/o termination resistor)

· Power consumption: 4 W

• Power adapter: 110/220 V<sub>AC</sub> input; +5 V<sub>DC</sub> output

• Shipping weight: 1.9 kg (4.2 lbs)

#### Opt8H: DB-62 to 8 x DB-9 RS-232 Cable



 1-meter male DB-62 to eight male DB-9 connectors (DTE pin assignments)

· Shipping weight: 1.0 kg (2.2 lbs)

#### **Features**

- · RS-422 output for industrial and laboratory control
- 500 V<sub>DC</sub> isolation protection
- Data transmission up to 1.2 km (4000 ft.)
- · LED indicators on each port indicate data flow

## Ordering Information

- □ PCL-844+: 8-port intelligent RS-232/422 card, with ISA bus
- □ PCI-1625: 8-port Intelligent RS-232/422 Card, with PCI bus
- ☐ Opt8A: 8-port RS-232 (DCE) connection box with female DB-25 connectors
- □ **Op8B**: 8-port RS-232 (DTE) connection box with male DB-25 connectors
- Opt8C: 8-port RS-232 connection cable with male DB-25 connectors
- □ **Opt8H:** 8-port RS-232 connector cable with male DB-9 connector (1 m length)
- □ Opt8Z/110: 8-port RS-422 converter with 1.5-meter DB-62 to DB-62 cable and external power adapter (110 V<sub>ac</sub> input)
- Opt8Z/220: 8-port RS-422 converter with 1.5-meter DB-62 to DB-62 cable and external power adapter (220 V<sub>AC</sub> input)
- Opt8F/110: Isolated 8-port RS-422 converter with
  1.5-meter DB-62 to DB-62 cable and external power adapter
  (110 V<sub>AC</sub> input)
- Opt8F/220: Isolated 8-port RS-422 converter with 1.5-meter DB-62 to DB-62 cable and external power adapter (220 V<sub>ac</sub> input)
- Opt85: 8-port RS-232 connection box with female DB-25 connectors and surge protectors