

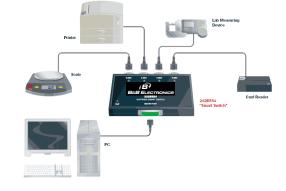
Model: 232BSS4

Four Port Buffered Smart Switch

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Features

- ✓ Communicate with four devices from one serial port
- √ 8 KB transmit and receive buffer
- ✓ Each port can be independently configured.
- ✓ RS-232 Data Rates up to 115.2 kbps
- ✓ Setup Software for Windows 98, ME, 2000, XP, and Vista



Functional Description

Our most intelligent and versatile switch, the 232BSS4 provides communication to four devices from one serial port. Each port contains a dedicated UART and an 8K byte transmit and receive buffer, allowing each ports data rate, data format, and protocol to be configured independently. The Master port can send and receive data from one Slave port while the other Slave ports continue to buffer data. The Master can also broadcast the same message to two or more Slave ports at once. The switch can also be configured to send data automatically to the Master port from each of the Slave ports when data is present with an optional preamble identifying the port. It can also provide two-way communications between the Master port and one Slave port at a time. Switching and control is accomplished through user defined three or four character command strings. These control sequences are stripped from the data stream, making the switch transparent to the Slave devices. Switches can be cascaded to expand the 232BSS4 to more than four ports. Two units can also be used back-to-back to provide automatic connection between devices over a single data channel. LEDs indicate when the unit is powered up and which port is selected to send data to the Master port. Setup software is provided on CD and is compatible with Windows 98, ME, 2000, XP, and Vista. A 12VDC power supply with a 2.5mm (positive tip) phone jack is required (sold separately).

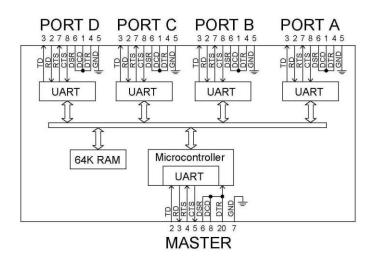
Ordering Information

| Model Number | Description |
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| 232BSS4 | Four Port Buffered Smart Switch |
| Accessory Items | |
| 232PS | 12 VDC power supply, wall transformer |
| 232DTE | DB25 M/F DCE to DTE port reverser (null-modem adapter) |
| 232NM9MF6 | DB9 null-modem cable, male / female, 6 foot |
| 232AMF5 | DB25 cable, male / female, 6 foot |
| 9PAMF6 | DB9 cable, male / female, 6 foot |



Operation

- Refer to the product manual for detailed operating instructions.
- The Master port is a DB25 female connector configured as DCE. This provides a direct connection
 to an IBM PC compatible or other DTE device. When connecting the Master port to a MODEM, the
 Master Port of another 232BSS4, or other device configured as DCE, a null MODEM adapter is
 needed.
- The Slave Ports are DB9 Male connectors configured as DTE for direct connection to a MODEM or other DCE device. When connecting the Slave ports to a PC compatible or other DTE device, a null modem adapter is needed.
- The illustration below gives full pin-outs. Only pins 2 and 3 are required for basic operation.
- Data Format: 7 or 8 data bits, even, odd, or no parity (Master does not support 7 data bits with no parity), 1 Stop Bit (fixed).
- For more information regarding DTE and DCE connections and the RS-232 standard in general, visit http://www.bb-elec.com/technical_library.asp



| General Specifications | |
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| Power | Positive 10 to 15 VDC / 60 mA |
| Op Temp | 32 to 158 °F (0 to 70°C) |
| Op Humidity | 0 to 95% Non-condensing |
| Power Conn | 2.5 mm phone jack (positive tip) |
| Master Port Conn | DB25 Female (DCE) |
| Slave Port Conn | DB9 Male (DTE) |
| Interface | RS-232 asynchronous |
| Data Rate | 1200 to 115.2 kbps |
| Flow Control | Hardware (RTS/CTS) or None |
| Dimensions | 7.5 x 4.6 x 1.2 in (19.0 x 11.7 x 3.0 cm) |
| MTBF | 330865 hours |
| Approvals | CE, FCC |
| Software Compatibility | Windows 98, ME, 2K, XP, Vista |

CE Declaration of Conformity

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Model Number: 232BSS4

Description: Four Port Buffered Smart Switch
Type: Light Industrial ITE Equipment

Application of Council Directive: 89/336/EEC
Standards: EN55022
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