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# POD2

## **STEREO AUDIO SWITCHER**

This is one of many in our line of top quality, low-cost broadcast problem solvers. PODS are compact, rugged and affordable. They are suited for tabletop use, or rack-mountable singly or in pairs, in any combination.

POD2 may be used in conjunction with POD9 as an audio follow video switcher. When POD2 and 9 are in the audio follow video mode, any switch activated on POD9 will result in the same switch occurring on POD2 and any switch activated on POD2 will result in the same switch occurring on POD9.

POD2 may also be controlled remotely using its RS422 serial interface. The serial communications are eight bit, no parity at 9600 baud rate. The serial interface will also allow POD2 to control POD9 if it is present. In order to remotely control POD2 two bytes of information must be sent. The first byte is an address byte (ALWAYS F0) and the second byte is the command byte.

COMMUNICATIONS CONTROL CONNECTIONS (DB9F) Transit data from (3-TX+, 8-TX-) Receive data from (7-RX+, 2-RX-) Ground (5-GND)

The communication protocol is detailed on the following pages.

POD2 is a unity gain six by one stereo audio switcher. Connections to POD2 are on the rear panel via two rows of screw terminal blocks.

POD2 operates as either a one of six switcher or, in the SUM mode, as a selective multi-input mixer. The unit is placed in the SUM mode by depressing the SUM button. Sources one through six may now be mixed by depressing the appropriate numbered buttons. To return to the one of six selection mode press the SUM button first and then the numbered button of the desired selection.

## SERIAL PROTOCOL

## 1) **REQUEST STATUS**

ACTION:	Two bytes are sent
	1 <sup>st</sup> byte 11110000
	2 <sup>nd</sup> byte 00000000
RESPONSE:	1 <sup>st</sup> byte (POD9 Status)
	1 X X X X X X X
X=0 Slave switch not activated	[6 5 4 3 2 1]
X=1 Slave switch activated	L— Video Inputs 1 through 6
	X=0 Video source not selected
	X=1 Video source selected
	2 <sup>nd</sup> byte (POD2 Status)
	0 X X X X X X X
X=0 Sum switch not activated	[6 5 4 3 2 1]
X=1 Sum switch activated	L— Audio Inputs 1 through 6
	X=0 Audio source not selected
	X=1 Audio source selected

Note: If POD9 is not present the second byte of response would read 0000 0000.

#### 2) SUM AUDIO

, Action:	Two bytes are sent	
	1 <sup>st</sup> byte	1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0
	2 <sup>nd</sup> byte	<u>0 1</u> X X X X X X
		[ <u>654321</u> ]
		Left Audio Inputs 1 through 6
		X=0 Audio source not selected
		X=1 Audio source selected

#### RESPONSE

POD2 will send back the same status bits as shown in the REQUEST STATUS command.

NOTE: To cancel SUM MODE send command F0, 80 (HEX) followed by the desired switch command.

## 3) SWITCH AUDIO AND VIDEO

Action: Two bytes are sent

### RESPONSE

POD2 will send back the same status bits as shown in the REQUEST STATUS command.

NOTE: If switching from SUM MODE send command F0, 80 followed by the desired switch command.

### 4) SLAVE AUDIO AND VIDEO

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ACTION:	I wo bytes are sen

#### RESPONSE

POD2 will send back the same status bits as shown in the REQUEST STATUS command.

NOTE: The Slave indicator on POD9 may be turned on by sending the command F0, C0 (HEX) and turned off by F0, C7 (HEX).

## GPI CONNECTIONS for POD2 (Available as Option)

- 1. Mix
- 2. N/C
- 3. Input 1
- 4. Input 2
- 5. Input 3
- 6. Input 4
- 7. Input 5
- 8. Input 6

#### 9. GND

#### SPECIFICATIONS

Gain Unity +30 dBu Max Input Level Max Output Level +30 dBu ± 0.1 dB, 20Hz to 20kHz Frequency Response Noise better than 90dBu, 20Hz to 20kHz THD + Noise better than 0.01%, 20Hz to 20kHz Inter-Channel Crosstalk better than 80dB, 20Hz to 20kHz better than 80dB, 20Hz to 20kHz Stereo Separation Input Impedance 40Ω balanced **Output Impedance** 60Ω balanced **Power Requirements** 100-240 VAC, 50-60Hz Dimensions 8.69" wide x 1.73" high x 7.0" deep (221mm x 44mm x 178 mm) Weight 1.37 kg (3.01 lbs)

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