

SC532A
9-Pin Peripheral to
RS232 Interface

User Manual

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Some useful conversion factors:

Area:	1 in ² (square inch) = 645 mm ²
Length:	1 in. (inch) = 25.4 mm 1 ft (foot) = 304.8 mm 1 yard = 0.914 m 1 mile = 1.609 km
Mass:	1 oz. (ounce) = 28.35 g 1 lb (pound weight) = 0.454 kg
Pressure:	1 psi (lb/in ²) = 68.95 mb
Volume:	1 UK pint = 568.3 ml 1 UK gallon = 4.546 litres 1 US gallon = 3.785 litres

In addition, while most of the information in the manual is correct for all countries, certain information is specific to the North American market and so may not be applicable to European users.

Differences include the U.S standard external power supply details where some information (for example the AC transformer input voltage) will not be applicable for British/European use. *Please note, however, that when a power supply adapter is ordered it will be suitable for use in your country.*

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SC532A 9-Pin Peripheral to 9-Pin RS232 Interface

1. Function

The SC532A Peripheral Interface connects an IBM® PC compatible computer, with appropriate software, to certain Campbell Scientific datalogger peripherals including phone modems (COM200, COM210, COM220), storage modules (SM4M/16M, SM192/716), MD9 multi-drop interface, and Seimac SCD/Argos satellite transmitter.

Like the SC532, the SC532A supplies 5 VDC on the PERIPHERAL connector (pin 1) to power 5V peripherals like the SM16M. The SC532A also supplies 12 VDC (on pin 8) to power 12V peripherals such as the COM220, high-speed modems, and certain radios.

The SC532A has an internal jumper that selects either “SC532” or “PROG” mode. PROGRAM mode is for configuring the Seimac SCD/Argos satellite transmitter. The factory setting is “SC532” which is appropriate for most applications. The case can be opened by twisting a 1/8 inch (3 mm) standard screwdriver in the four seam slots.

2. Physical Description

An SC12 and a 10873 cable are shipped with the SC532A. The SC12 cable connects the SC532A 9-pin female D-Sub labelled “PERIPHERAL” to your CSI peripheral. The 10873 cable connects a PC COM port to the other 9-pin connector labelled “PC.”

The SC532A is typically powered by the wall charger (supplied in Europe). This wall charger supplies 12VDC @ 250 mA which is sufficient for most peripherals. The power jack on the SC532A allows convenient wall charger replacement. If only 5V peripherals are used, an AC adapter outputting just 6 VDC with enough current capability and having the correct barrel connector size and polarity will do (see Tables 1 and 2).

Field power cables are available (see Portable Battery Power section) for remote sites lacking AC power the field cables are purchased separately.



Figure 1. SC532A Case Top

3. Specifications

Input voltage (to POWER jack)	A) 5 Volt Peripherals require 6 – 17 VDC B) 12 Volt Peripherals require 12 – 17 VDC Barrel connector: inner bore (+), outer sleeve (-)
Output voltages	+5 VDC \pm 0.075 VDC on PERIPHERAL connector pin 1 and 6 – 17 VDC on PERIPHERAL connector pin 8, depending on AC adapter in use (12 VDC unregulated with factory AC adapter)
Current available to 5 V peripheral	+5 VDC @ 120 mA maximum at 25°C derate 12 mA for each AC adapter Volt above 9 VDC derate 1 mA for each °C above 25°C
Current available to 12 V peripheral	Factory provided AC adapter supplies unregulated 12 VDC @ 1 Amp (power adapter limited)
RS232 output levels	+10 VDC \pm 1 VDC -10 VDC \pm 1 VDC Maximum output impedance = 1100 Ω
RS232 input levels	\pm 30 V maximum Low threshold \leq 0.8 V High threshold \geq 3.5 V Input impedance at least 3000 Ω
9-pin inputs	Low \leq 1 V; High \geq 3.5 V
9-pin outputs	Low \leq 0.5 V; High \geq 3.5 V
Current drain	5 mA typical quiescent 10 mA maximum quiescent
Port Configuration	PC: 9-pin D-Subminiature Female configured as DCE. Peripheral: 9-pin D-Subminiature Female connects to peripheral through SC12 Two Peripheral Connector Cable supplied with the SC532A.
Dimensions	11.75 x 4.5 x 2.5 cm (allow up to 3 cm extra on 4.5 cm dimension for power connector strain relief)
Weight	567 g with AC adapter

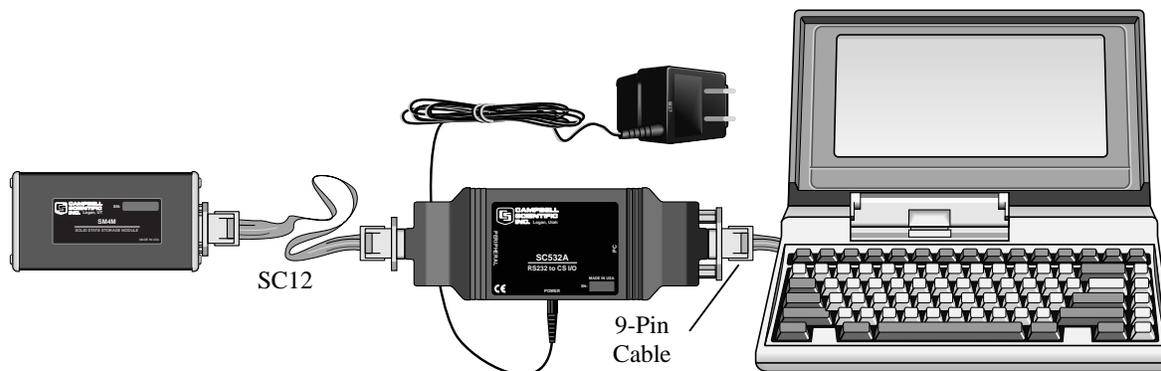


Figure 2. Connection Block Diagram (9-pin cable, side power jack)

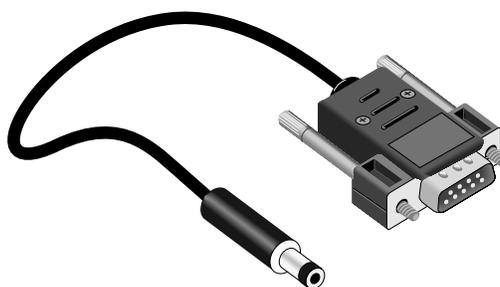


Figure 3. DC Cable for 12 VDC Datalogger Connection

4. Hardware Connections

Figure 2 shows the connection from a Campbell Scientific peripheral to a PC's 9-pin RS232 COM port via SC532A and data cables.

5. Operation

A CSI peripheral's logic levels (0V low, 5V high) are converted to RS232 levels (-10V and +10V respectively) by the SC532A.

The SC532A supplies regulated 5 VDC and unregulated 12 VDC power for peripherals. An AC adapter that plugs into a 120 VAC wall outlet is available as a common accessory.

You will need to write your own software if you are not using PC208 or PC208W Datalogger Support Software. Read the specific peripheral manual for the necessary control sequence.

Appendix A contains the SC532A and the DTE computer pin descriptions.

6. Portable Battery Power

Field power cables are available for remote sites lacking AC Power. The 14020 field cable is equipped with a DB9 for connection to the datalogger's CS I/O port.

The 14291 cable terminates in two wires for attachment to the 12 V and power ground terminals of the datalogger or 12 Vdc power supply. For earlier dataloggers lacking 12 V on CS I/O port (check voltage between pin 8 and power ground), the 14291 field cable needs to be used.

If using the 14291 cable, connect RED wire to the “12 V” terminal and BLACK wire to power ground terminal. The correct barrel connector polarity is (+) on the inner bore and (-) on the outer sleeve. If using a separate 12 Vdc power supply, a common ground must be shared with the datalogger’s power source.

See Table 2 for the maximum operating currents required for selected CSI peripherals.

CAUTION

Before plugging power connector into SC532A, if you have 1) the 14291 field cable, 2) replaced the factory AC adapter, or 3) built your own dc power cable, make sure that the voltage polarity is correct on the coaxial (barrel) connector. Application of REVERSED POLARITY power to the SC532A can damage the SC532A, datalogger, and peripheral (not covered under warranty)!

Barrel connector inner bore (+)

Barrel connector outer sleeve (-)

The maximum POWER input voltage is 17 VDC!

Table 1. SC532A Power Supply ConnectorBarrel Connector Polarity and Size

Inner Conductor (bore) (+) 6 to 17 VDC (see Section 2)
 Outer Conductor (sleeve) (-) GND

O.D is 5.5mm (0.216 in.)
 I.D. is 2.5mm (0.098 in.)
 Sleeve length = 11.5mm (0.453 in.) or more

Table 2. CSI Peripherals and Their Maximum Operating Current Requirements

<u>5 VDC Peripherals</u>	<u>Maximum Current</u>
MD9 Multidrop Interface	< 90 mA
SM4M/16M Storage Module	< 100 mA
SM192/716 Storage Module	< 20 mA
SM64 Storage Module	< 30 mA
CSM1 Card Storage Module	< 18 mA
<u>12 VDC Peripherals</u>	<u>Maximum Current</u>
COM220 Modem	< 30 mA
COM210 Modem	< 160 mA
COM200 Modem	< 140 mA
COM310 Voice Modem	< 160 mA
COM300 Voice Modem	< 180 mA
Seimac Argos SDC Transmitter	< 700 mA

Table 3. SC532A Jumper GuideP4 Jumper

- A. **SC532** mode (factory default)
- B. **PROG**ram Seimac SCD/Argos satellite transmitter

Appendix A. Pin Description

The SC532A 9-pin female port is configured as Data Communications Equipment (DCE) for direct cable connection to Data Terminal Equipment (DTE) such as an IBM-PC serial port.

The pin descriptions of the SC532A PC and PERIPHERAL connectors are listed in the following table.

Table A-1. SC532A Pin Descriptions

PIN = Pin number
I = Signal Into the SC532A
O = Signal Out of the SC532A

PC CONNECTOR
9-PIN D-SUB FEMALE

<u>PIN</u>	<u>I/O</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1	I	not used
2	O	RX
3	I	TX
4		DTR
5		GND
6		not used
7	I	RTS
8	O	not used
9	I	RING

PERIPHERAL CONNECTOR
9-PIN D-SUB FEMALE

<u>PIN</u>	<u>I/O</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1	O	+5V SUPPLY
2		GND
3	I	RING
4	I	RX
5	O	ME
6	O	SDE EN
7	O	CLK/HS
8	O	+12V
9	O	TX

A PC configured as DTE, such as the IBM-PC, adheres to the description in Table A-2 or A-3

Table A-2. DTE 25 Pin Configuration

PIN= 25-pin number
 ABR = Abbreviation for the function name
 I = Signal Into the computer
 O = Signal Out of the computer

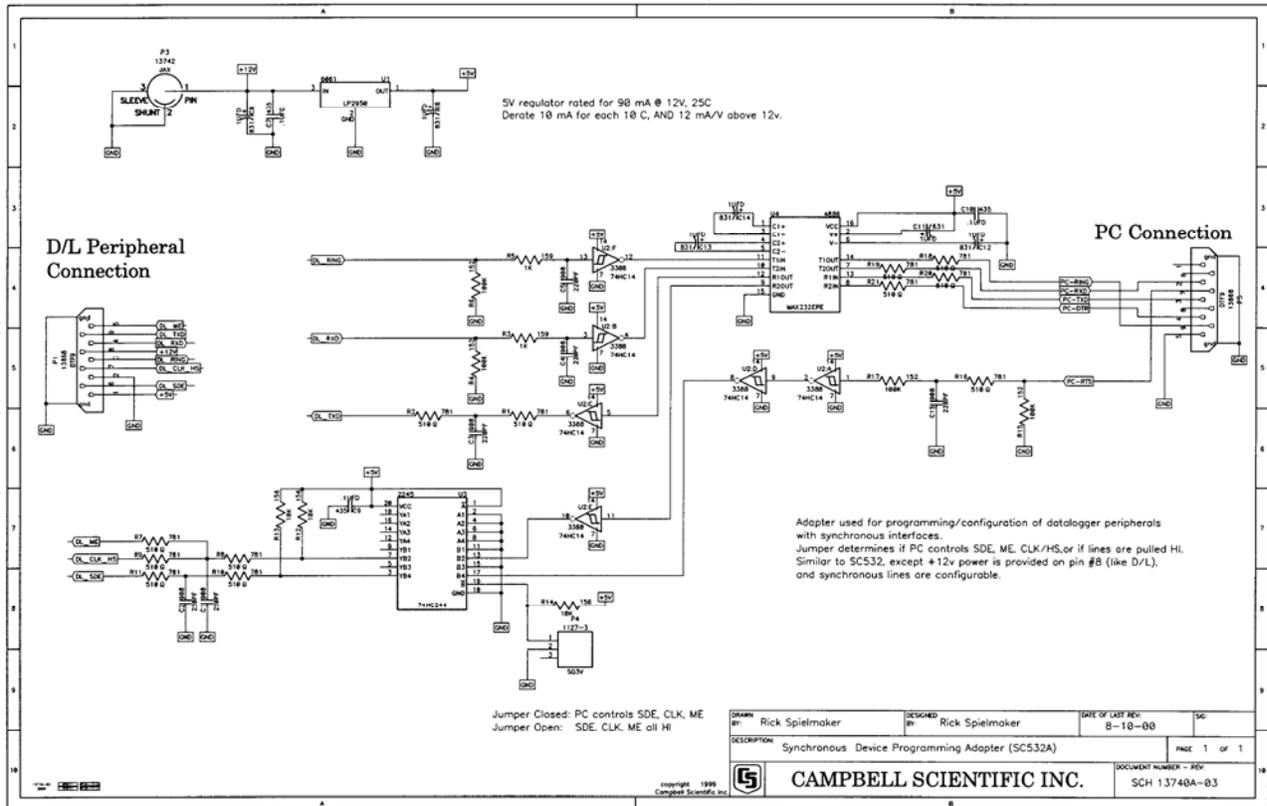
PIN	ABR	I/O	Function
1			Frame Ground.
2	TX	O	Transmit Data: Characters are transmitted from the computer on this line.
3	RX	I	Receive Data: Characters transmitted by a peripheral are received on this line.
4	RTS	O	Request To Send: The computer uses this line to control the peripheral's PE lines.
20	DTR	O	Data Terminal Ready: The computer uses this line to control the peripheral's ME and CLK/HS line.
22	RING	I	Ring Indicator: Raised to get the attention of the computer.
7	SG		Signal Ground: Voltages are measured relative to this point.

Table A-3. DTE 9 Pin Configuration

PIN = 9-pin number
 ABR = Abbreviation for the function name
 I = Signal Into the computer
 O = Signal Out of the computer

PIN	ABR	I/O	Function
1	CD	I	Carrier Detect
2	RX	I	Receive Data
3	TX	O	Transmit Data
4	DTR	O	Data Terminal Ready
5	SG		Signal Ground
6	DSR	I	Data Set Ready
7	RTS	O	Request to Send
8	CTS	I	Clear to Send
9	RING	I	Ring Indicator

Appendix B. Schematic



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