



- 2-Pole 75x4 Matrix Available in Single, Dual and Triple Versions
- Cold Switch Voltage Rating of 750VDC Continuous & Higher Voltage Pulse Conditions e.g. Typically 1000VDC For 2ms With Low Duty Cycle
- Maximum Current of 1A Switch/2A Carry
- X and Y Loop-Thru Connections Allow Easy Matrix Expansion
- X and Y Isolation Switching for Maximized Performance
- High Quality Electromechanical Relays
- 3U Rack Mountable Enclosure
- LXI Standard 1.4 Compliant
- IVI & Direct I/O Drivers
- 3 Year Warranty

The 60-311 is a 2-pole matrix available with one, two or three separate 75x4 matrices housed in the same chassis. It is capable of cold switching 750VDC continuous with a carry current of 2A with higher pulse conditions - typically 1000VDC for 1s with low duty cycle or 6A for 200µs with <1% duty cycle.

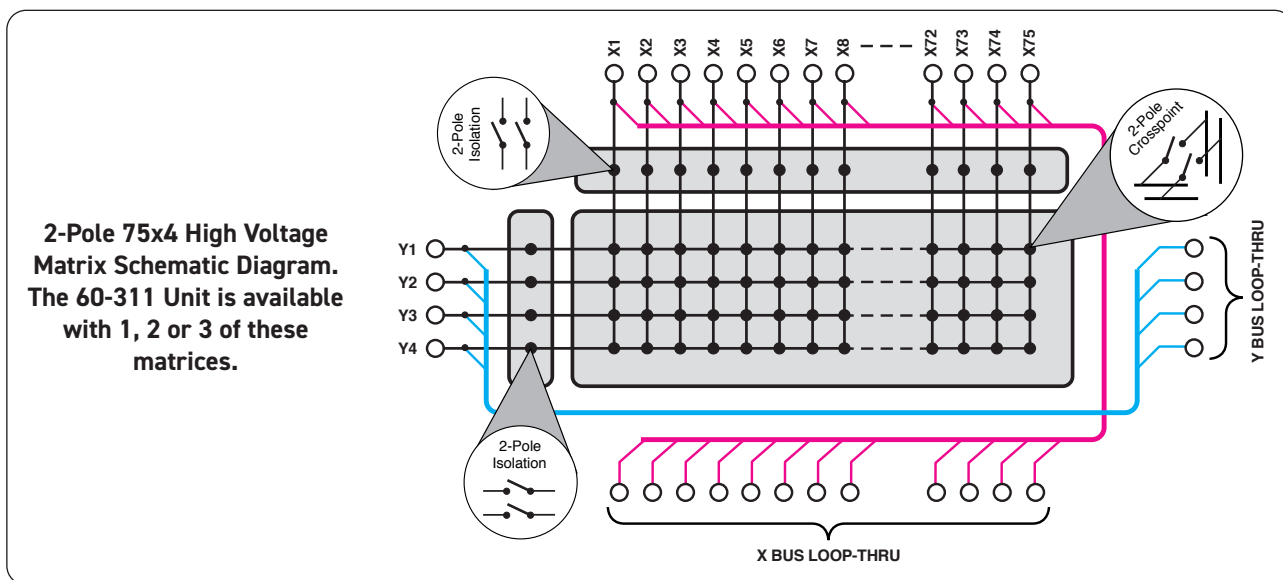
Front panel loop-thru connections allow the 75x4 matrices to be easily expanded to an adjacent matrix within the same chassis. Also, expansion can be carried out between 60-311 matrices in separate chassis. For instance, the Y axis of ten 75x4 matrices can be cascaded to create a single 750x4 matrix.

The X and Y signals of the matrices are routed to the front panel connectors via isolation switches. These allow unused matrix paths to be disconnected, preserving signal integrity.

The 60-311 is designed in accordance with the LXI Standard 1.4 and is supplied in a 3U high, full rack width chassis with 500mm depth.

It is programmable via a LAN interface using Pickering Interfaces generic switch driver. Industry standard (W3C) web browsers can be used to access and change configuration information and provide access to the soft front panels, allowing control from any PC or Mac.

The 60-311 is ideal for applications where a simple start-up process is required and for applications requiring control over large distances.

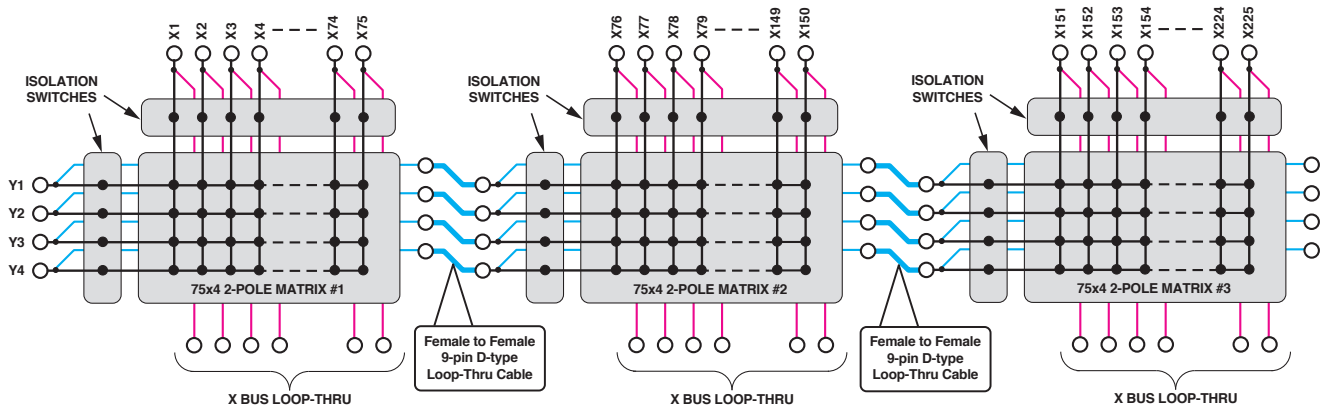


Matrix Expansion

The 60-311 may be expanded to larger matrix sizes by using cabling to daisy-chain the Loop-Thru connections.

The illustrations below show the three 75x4 matrices of a 60-311-003 interconnected as a single 225x4 matrix using female to female 9-pin D-type cables to link the Y buses. In the same way, the X Loop-Thru connections can be used to interlink the X signals and create a matrix with a wider Y bus. Additionally, the Loop-Thru connections can be used to link X and Y buses between units. For example, ten 75x4 matrices housed in four separate 60-311 units can have their Y buses daisy-chained to produce a single 750x4 matrix.

The first diagram shows the matrix schematic and the second diagram shows how the front panel connectors are cabled together.



Schematic diagram of three 75x4 matrices connected as a single 225x4 matrix using the Y-bus Loop-Thru connections.

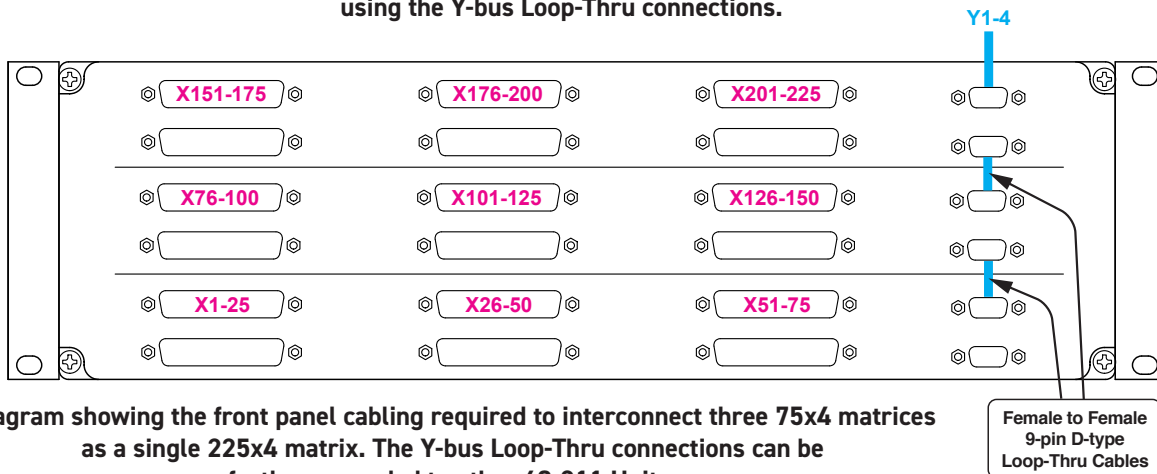


Diagram showing the front panel cabling required to interconnect three 75x4 matrices as a single 225x4 matrix. The Y-bus Loop-Thru connections can be further expanded to other 60-311 Units.

Overview of “Hot” & “Cold” Switching Techniques

“Hot” Switching

This is when the load is switched with the high voltage source applied. Hot switching may generate considerable RFI, both within the switching module and on interconnecting wiring. Care must be taken to suppress or shield all cabling.

Note that any precaution which adds extra capacitance to a cable should be taken with great care, even a very small capacitance at high voltages can cause very large inrush current through the module resulting in possible switch weld and excessive RFI.

The 60-310 modules include extensive built-in RFI suppression circuits that minimize RFI and surge problems.

“Cold” Switching – The Preferred Option for Reliability & Long Life.

With cold switching, the relay is operated before the high voltage source is applied. In this case the maximum carry current is much greater, also there will be much less stress on the reed relays, resulting in improved reliability and life.

Most high voltage sources include a soft start facility which reduces the likelihood of generating RFI or temporary over-voltage.

High voltage switching modules are often used for isolation testing applications (e.g. cable, transformer or semiconductor isolation tests), in these cases, cold switching is nearly always the preferred option to reduce the risk of high voltage transients that may cause premature breakdown.

Relay Type

The 60-311 is fitted with high quality electro-mechanical relays. A Spare Relay is built onto the circuit boards to allow easy maintenance with minimum downtime.

Switching Specification

Switch Type:	Electro-mechanical
Contact Type:	Palladium-Ruthenium, Gold Covered Bifurcated
Max Hot Switch Voltage:	220VDC/250VAC*
Max Cold Switch Voltage:	750VDC continuous & higher voltage pulse conditions, e.g. typically 1000VDC for 2ms with low duty cycle*
Max Hot Switch Power:	30W
Max Hot Switch Current:	1A
Max Cold Switch Current:	2A
Max Pulsed Carry Current Example:	6A For 200µs With <1% Duty Cycle
Initial Path Resistance - On:	<1Ω (X to X)†
Initial Path Resistance - Off:	>10 ⁹ Ω
Minimum Voltage:	100µV
Operate Times	
Crosspoint Relay:	<3ms
Crosspoint + Isolation Relay:	<6ms
Expected Life (operations)	
Very low power signal load:	>1x10 ⁸
Low power load (2W):	>1.5x10 ⁷ (0.1A 20VDC)
Medium power load (30W):	>5x10 ⁶ (1A 30VDC)
Full power load (60W):	>1x10 ⁵ (2A 30VDC)
Max Number of simultaneously closed crosspoints:	100 per matrix

* For full voltage rating, signal sources to be switched must be fully isolated from mains supply and safety earth.

† Path resistance is dependent upon the signal route selected.

Power Source

Universal AC mains supply, 90-120/200-240V 50-60Hz	
Power Inlet:	Male IEC connector
Power Rating:	100VA maximum
Fuse Rating:	(F) 5A, 250V

LAN Interface

Compliant to LXI Standard 1.4, the 60-311 has a 1000Base-T Ethernet Interface via a standard RJ-45 connector mounted on the rear panel with an LCD display showing the unit's IP address.*

***Note:** Legacy units may not have 1000Base-T support or be fitted with an LCD display.

Mechanical Characteristics

Supplied with front panel ears to enable rack mounting on a shelf or other rear support mechanism.

Dimensions: 3U high, full rack width, 500mm depth

3D models for all versions in a variety of popular file formats are available on request.

Connectors

Signals via front panel connectors:

X connections: 50-pin male high voltage D-type

Y connections: 9-pin male high voltage D-type

For pin outs please refer to the operating manual.

Operating/Storage Conditions

Operating Conditions

Operating Temperature: 0°C to +55°C

Humidity: Up to 85% non-condensing

Altitude: 5000m

Storage and Transport Conditions

Storage Temperature: -20°C to +75°C

Humidity: Up to 85% non-condensing

Altitude: 15000m

Safety & CE Compliance

All products are fully CE compliant and meet applicable EU directives: Low-voltage safety EN61010-1:2010, EMC Immunity EN61326-1:2013, Emissions EN55011:2009+A1:2010.

Product Order Codes

LXI Single 75x4 2-Pole HV Matrix	60-311-001
LXI Dual 75x4 2-Pole HV Matrix	60-311-002
LXI Triple 75x4 2-Pole HV Matrix	60-311-003

Product Customization

Pickering LXI units are designed and manufactured on our own flexible manufacturing lines, giving complete product control and enabling simple customization to meet very specific requirements.

Customization can include:

- Alternative relay types
- Mixture of relay types
- Alternative number of relays
- Different performance specifications

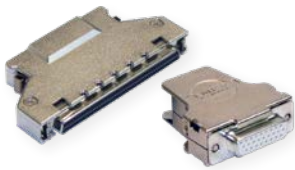
All customized products are given a unique part number, fully documented and may be ordered at any time in the future. Please contact your local sales office to discuss.

Mating Connectors & Cabling

For connection accessories for the 60-311 please refer to the [90-005HVD](#) High Voltage 50-pin D-type and [90-003HVD](#) High Voltage 9-pin D-type Connector Accessories data sheets where a complete list and documentation can be found for accessories, or refer to the Connection Solutions catalog.

Connectivity Solutions

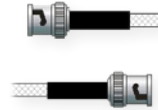
We provide a full range of supporting cable and connector solutions for all our switching products—20 connector families with 1200+ products. We offer everything from simple mating connectors to complex cables assemblies and terminal blocks. All assemblies are manufactured by Pickering and are guaranteed to mechanically and electrically mate to our modules.



Connectors & Backshells



Multiwire Cable Assemblies



RF Cable Assemblies



Connector Blocks

We also offer customized cabling and have a free online **Cable Design Tool** that can be used to create custom cable solutions for many applications. Visit: pickeringtest.com/cdt to start your design.

Mass Interconnect

We recommend the use of a mass interconnect solution when an Interchangeable Test Adapter (ITA) is required for a PXI or LXI based test system. Our modules are fully supported by both Virginia Panel and MacPanel.

Pickering Reed Relays

We are the only switch provider with in-house reed relay manufacturing capability via our sister company, Pickering Electronics. These instrument grade reed relays feature **SoftCenter®** technology, ensuring long service life and repeatable contact performance.

To learn more, please go to: pickeringrelay.com

Programming

All LXI devices are supplied with built-in software drivers, web pages for configuration and soft front panels as required by the LXI specification. A variety of drivers are provided (C, .NET, IVI, SOAP) which are compatible with all Microsoft supported versions of Windows and popular older versions. For a list of all supporting operating systems, please see: pickeringtest.com/os

The drivers may be used in many commonly used programming environments and applications including:

- **Pickering Interfaces Switch Path Manager**
- **National Instruments** products (LabVIEW, LabWindows/CVI, Switch Executive, MAX, TestStand, VeriStand, etc.)
- **Microsoft Visual Studio** products (Visual Basic, Visual C++, Visual C#)
- **Keysight** VEE and OpenTAP
- **Mathworks** Matlab
- **Marvin** ATEasy
- **MTQ Testsolutions** Tecap Test & Measurement Suite

As well as various open source environments such as:

- **Sharp Develop**
- **Dev-C++**

To learn more about software drivers and development environments, please go to: pickeringtest.com/software



Signal Routing Software

Our signal routing software, Switch Path Manager, automatically selects and energizes switch paths through Pickering switching systems. Signal routing is performed by simply defining test system endpoints to be connected together, greatly accelerating Test System software development.

To learn more, please go to: pickeringtest.com/spm



Diagnostic Relay Test Tools

eBIRST Switching System Test Tools are designed specifically for our PXI, PCI or LXI products, these tools simplify switching system fault-finding by quickly testing the system and graphically identifying the faulty relay.

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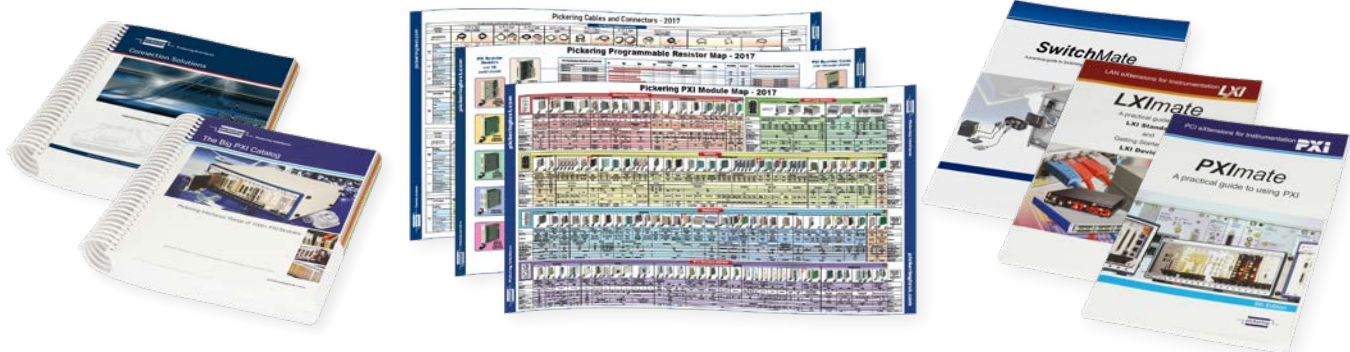


Three Year Warranty

All standard products manufactured by Pickering Interfaces are warranted against defective materials and workmanship for a period of three years from the date of delivery to the original purchaser. Extended warranty and service agreements are available for all our modules and systems with various levels to suit your requirements. Although we offer a 3-year warranty as standard, we also include guaranteed long-term support—with a history of supporting our products for typically 15-20 years. To learn more, please go to: pickeringtest.com/support

Available Product Resources

We have a large library of product resources including success stories, product and support videos, articles, as well as complete product catalogs and product reference maps to assist when looking for the switching, simulation and cable and connector solutions you need. We have also published handy reference books on Switching Technology and for the PXI and LXI standards.



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