

- 6 x SPST Switches in 2 PXI Slots
- 3 x SPST Switches in 1 PXI Slot
- Available With Optional Hardware Interlock
- 1.5 A Rating at 400 V
- Very High Hot Switch Capacity
- Very High Inrush Current Rating
- Fast Operating Speed
- Long Service Life
- Drivers Supplied for Windows and Linux, Plus Support for Real-time Systems
- Supported by PXI or LXI Chassis
- Supported by *eBIRST*™
- 3 Year Warranty

The 40-185A has 6 off high current SPST switches in two PXI slots or 3 off high current SPST switches in one PXI slot. Each SPST switch uses a fully isolated solid state relay which offers fast operation under hot switching conditions and high inrush current with no operational life degradation.

The SPST switches can carry 1.5A of continuous current and switch up to 400 V. They can sustain inrush currents in excess of 20 A. Since the switch is polarity insensitive, AC or DC signals can be switched.

The 40-185A is particularly suited to automotive and aerospace applications where the switching of high capacity loads is required. The module is supplied with a comprehensive package of drivers, including support for selected RT operating systems.



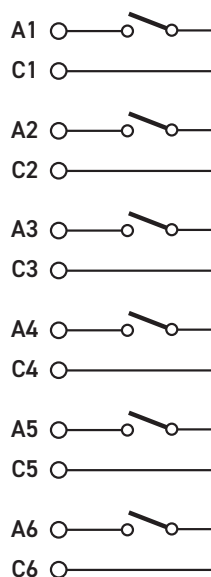
3-Channel & 6-Channel Solid State SPST Switch Modules with Optional Hardware Interlock



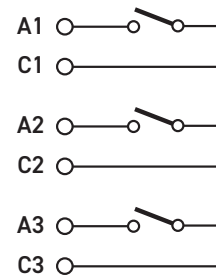
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40-185A-001 Solid State Switch - 6 x SPST



40-185A-002 Solid State Switch - 3 x SPST

Switching Specification

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| Switch Type | Solid State MOSFET |
| Max Switch Voltage: | $\pm 400\text{ V}^*$ (DC or AC peak) \dagger |
| Continuous Switch Current: | 1.5 A |
| Peak Current: | 20 A for 200 μs |
| Max Total Module Current: | 6 channels each carrying 1.5 A |
| Initial On Path Resistance: | 1.8 Ω at 25 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ typical |
| Rise/Fall Time: | <5 μs typical |
| Operate Time: | 20 μs |
| Recommended Maximum Cycle Rate (on, then off): | 10 operations/sec |
| Expected Life (operations): | Indefinite when used within ratings |

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

\dagger Differential voltage between channels must not exceed rated voltage, additional caution should be used when applying AC voltages as multiple asynchronous supplies can create high differential voltages between channels.

Power Requirements

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|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| +3.3 V | +5 V | +12 V | -12 V |
| 100 mA | 560 mA | 0 | 0 |

Hardware Interlock

The 40-185A modules are available with an optional hardware interlock. The interlock, when activated, will return all relays to their default unpowered state (assuming the relays are fully functional) and also provide error notification via the software interface. The interlock feature can be daisy-chained between additional hardware interlock enabled modules for example to allow one signal to disable multiple cards. For further details please refer to the Hardware Interlock section within the user manual.

Mechanical Characteristics

40-185A-001: Double slot 3U PXI (CompactPCI card).
 40-185A-002: Single slot 3U PXI (CompactPCI card).
 3D models for all versions in a variety of popular file formats are available on request.

Connectors

PXI bus via 32-bit P1/J1 backplane connector. Signals via front panel connectors, for pin outs refer to the operating manual.

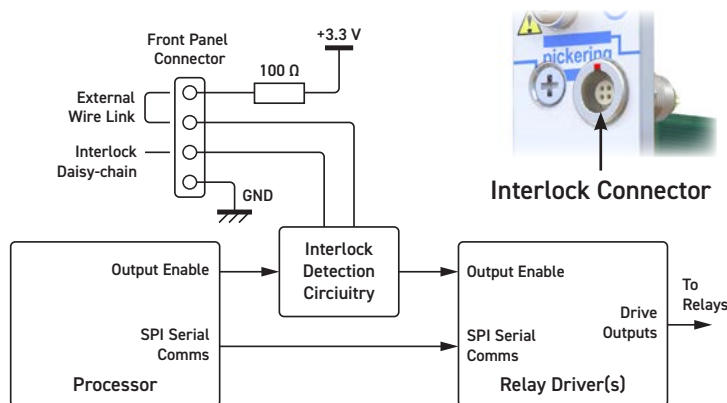
- 40-185A-001: 2 x male 8-pin power D-Type connectors.
- 40-185A-002: 1 x male 8-pin power D-Type connector.
- Interlock: 1 x 4-pin female 00 series connector* (40-185A versions with hardware interlock option)

*Mating half supplied when hardware interlock option ordered, to be wired by end user.

Operating/Storage Conditions

Operating Temperature: 0 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +55 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
 Humidity: Up to 90 % non-condensing
 Altitude: 5000 m

Storage Temperature: -20 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +75 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
 Humidity: Up to 90 % non-condensing
 Altitude: 15000 m



Interlock Signal Routing Diagram for 40-185A Versions With Hardware Interlock Option

Product Order Codes

| | |
|---|----------------|
| PXI Solid State Switch: | |
| 6-Channel, 1.5 A, 400 V, SPST | 40-185A-001 |
| 3-Channel, 1.5 A, 400 V, SPST | 40-185A-002 |
| PXI Solid State Switch, Hardware Interlock: | |
| 6-Channel, 1.5 A, 400 V, SPST | 40-185A-001-HI |
| 3-Channel, 1.5 A, 400 V, SPST | 40-185A-002-HI |

Product Customization

Pickering modules 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 reed types
- Mixture of reed 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.

PXI & CompactPCI Compliance

The module is compliant with the PXI Specification 2.2. Local Bus, Trigger Bus & Star Trigger are not implemented.

Uses a 33 MHz 32-bit backplane interface.

Safety & CE Compliance

All modules 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.

Support Products

eBIRST Switching System Test Tool

This product is supported by the eBIRST test tools which simplify the identification of failed relays, the required eBIRST tools are below. For more information go to:

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| Product | Test Tool | Adaptor | Termination |
|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 40-185A-00x | 93-005-001 | 93-005-236 | 93-012-103 |

Interlock Connectors

For modules with hardware interlock option (40-185A-00x-HI) spare/replacement connectors can be ordered.

| Product | Description |
|------------|---|
| 44-961-040 | Connector with internal link |
| 44-960-040 | Connector only, no internal wiring (replacing that supplied with the module) |

Mating Connectors & Cabling

For a complete list of connection accessories and documentation for the 40-185A module, please refer to our [8-pin Power D-type datasheet \(90-012D\)](#).



Chassis Compatibility

This PXI module must be used in a suitable chassis. It is compatible with the following chassis types:

- All chassis conforming to the 3U PXI and 3U Compact PCI (cPCI) specification
- Legacy and Hybrid Peripheral slots in a 3U PXI Express (PXIe) chassis
- Pickering Interfaces LXI or LXI/USB Modular Chassis

Chassis Selection Guide

Standard PXI or hybrid PXIe Chassis From Any Vendor:

- Mix our 1000+ PXI switching & simulation modules with any vendor's PXI instrumentation
- Embedded or remote Windows PC control
- Real-time Operating System Support
- High data bandwidths, especially with PXI Express
- Integrated module timing and synchronization



Pickering LXI or LXI/USB Modular Chassis

Only accept our PXI Switching & Simulation Modules:

- Choose from 1000+ Pickering PXI Modules
- Ethernet or USB control enables remote operation
- Low-cost control from practically any controller
- LXI provides manual control via Web browsers
- Driverless software support
- Power sequencing immunity
- Ethernet provides chassis/controller voltage isolation
- Independence from Windows operating system



Connectivity Solutions

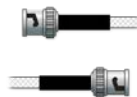
We provide a full range of supporting cable and connector solutions for all our switching products—20 connector families with **1200+** products. We offer everything from simple mating connectors to complex cables assemblies and terminal blocks. All assemblies are manufactured by Pickering and are guaranteed to mechanically and electrically mate to our modules. These accessories are detailed in Connector Accessories data sheets, where a complete list and documentation can be found for each accessory.



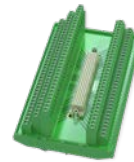
Connectors
& Backshells



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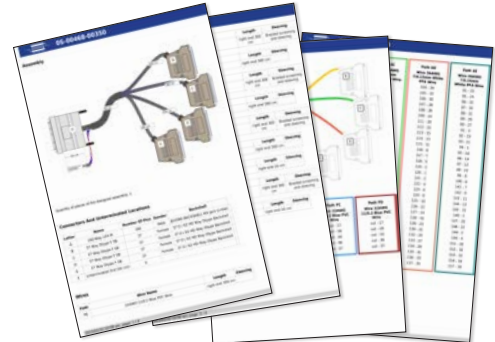
Breakouts



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.

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- Built-in tutorials and videos allow you to get quickly up to speed.
- Store cable assemblies in the Cloud and develop over time.
- Each cable design has a downloadable PDF documentation file detailing all specifications



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Mass Interconnect

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

Pickering Reed Relays

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

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Programming

Pickering provide kernel, IVI and VISA (NI & Keysight) drivers which are compatible with all Microsoft supported versions of Windows and popular older versions.

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The VISA driver support is provided for LabVIEW Real Time Operating Systems (Pharlap and Linux-RT). For other RTOS support contact Pickering. These drivers may be used with a variety of 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++)
- **Programming Languages** C, C++, C#, Python
- **Keysight** VEE and OpenTAP
- **Mathworks MATLAB, Simulink**
- **Marvin ATEasy**
- **MTQ Testsolutions** Tecap Test & Measurement Suite

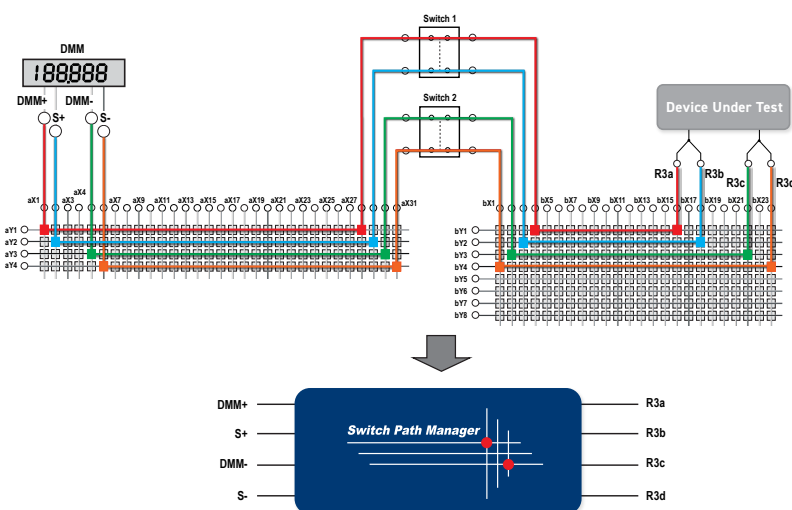
Drivers for popular Linux distributions are available, other environments are also supported, please contact Pickering with specific enquiries. We provide Soft Front Panels (SFPs) for our products for familiarity and manual control, as well as comprehensive documentation and example programs to help you develop test routines with ease.

To learn more about software drivers and development environments 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.

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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 & Guaranteed Long-Term Support

All standard products manufactured by Pickering Interfaces are warranted against defective materials and workmanship for three years from the date of delivery to the original purchaser. Extended warranty and service agreements are available with various levels for 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.

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