

- 7 Fault Insertion Channels
- Available With Optional Hardware Interlock
- Simulation of Various Types of Electrical Fault, Enabling Rigorous Fault Testing
- Choice of 1 or 2 Fault Insertion Buses
- Hot or Cold Switch Currents from less than 1 nA to 20 A
- Switch up to 16 VDC
- Drivers Supplied for Windows and Linux, Plus Support for Real-time Systems
- Supported by PXI or LXI Chassis
- 3 Year Warranty



The 40-194A is a 7-Channel Fault Insertion switch designed for the simulation of fault conditions in automotive systems.

It is able to insert 3 different fault conditions between the test fixture and the equipment under test:

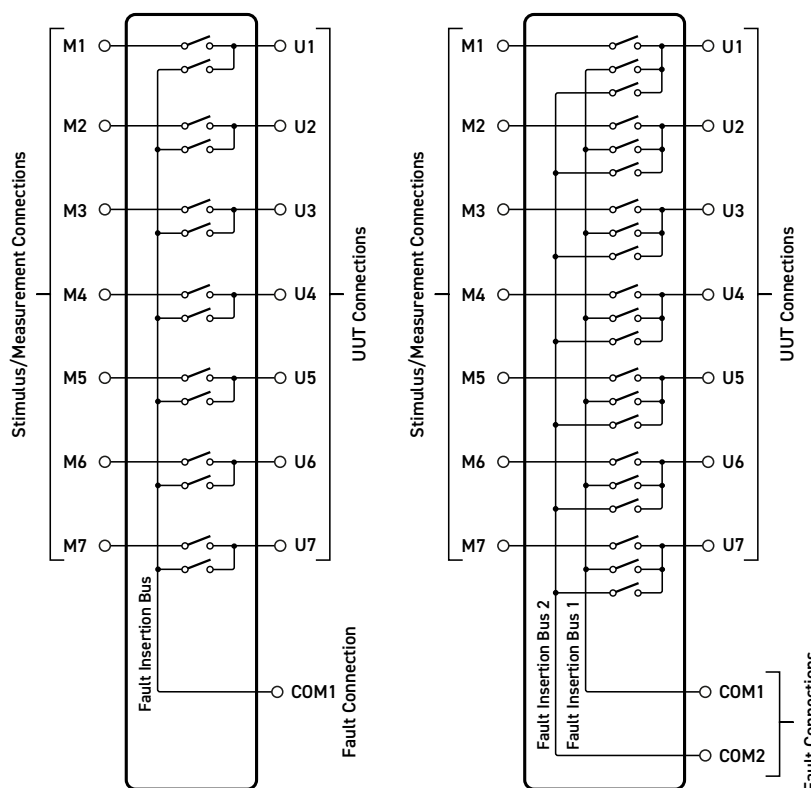
- Open-Circuit
- Short-Circuit between UUT connections
- Short-Circuit to other signals such as Power, Ignition & Ground via Fault Insertion Bus

Through relays on each channel enable signals to the UUT to be held open-circuit. Fault Insertion Buses allow any channel to be shorted to any other channel and enable any channel to be connected to an external signal such as Power, Ignition or Ground to simulate fault conditions.

Range Description:

- 40-194A-001 7 Channels, One Fault bus.
- 40-194A-002 7 Channels, Two Fault buses.

The 40-194A uses composite relays that support both high and low current hot switching. Hot switching operations can be performed on currents from less than 1 nA to 20 A.



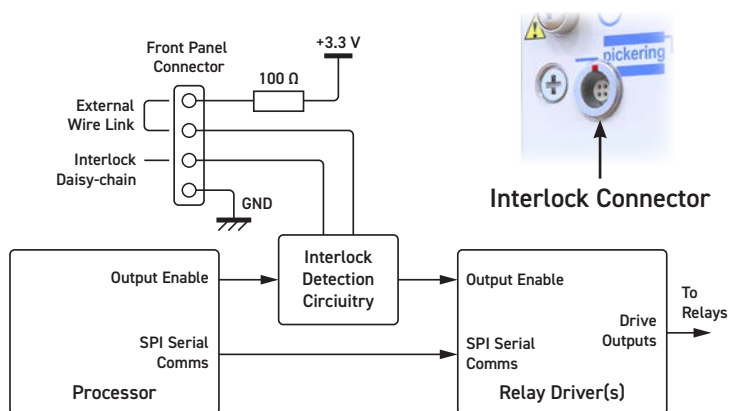
20 A Fault Insertion Switch Schematic Diagrams
40-194A-001 has 1 fault bus, 40-194A-002 has 2 fault buses

Pickering's Range of PXI Fault Insertion Switches

Model No.	Signal Channels	Fault Buses	Fault Inputs	Max Voltage	Max Current or Bus Type
40-190B	74, 64 or 32	1 or 2	4 or 8	165 V	2 A
40-191A	6	2	2	40 V	30 A
40-192A	6	2	2	200 V	10 A
40-193A	7	1 or 2	1 or 2	16 V	20 A, 1 A min
40-194A	7	1 or 2	1 or 2	16 V	20 A, no min
40-195	22 or 11 pairs	—	8 or 4	150 V	1 A
40-196	10 or 5 pairs	—	10 or 5	110 V	5 A
40-197A	34 or 16	4	8	300 V	2 A
40-198	20	1 or 2	3 or 6	250 V	5 A
40-199	10	1 or 2	2	250 V	10 A
40-200	4 or 8 differential	4	8	100 V	CAN, FlexRay
40-201	4 or 8 differential	2	4	100 V	Ethernet/AFDX/ BroadR-Reach
40-202	22 or 11 pairs	—	22 or 11	150 V	1 A

Hardware Interlock

The 40-194A 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.



Interlock Signal Routing Diagram for 40-194A
Version With Hardware Interlock Option

Relay Type

The 40-194A is fitted with miniature automotive relays with silver alloy contacts and uses additional switching technology to enable low current switching to below 1 mA. A spare relay is built onto the circuit board to allow easy maintenance with minimum downtime.

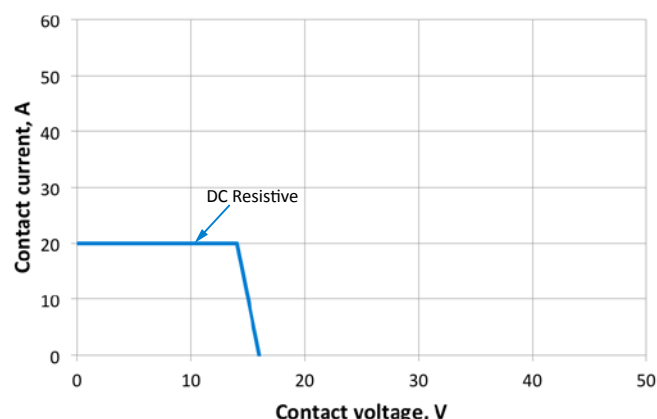
Switching Specification

Switch Type:	Electro-mechanical
Contact Type:	Silver Alloy & Palladium-Ruthenium Gold Covered Bifurcated
Cold Switching Capacity	
Maximum Current:	20 A
Maximum Voltage:	16 VDC*
Hot Switching Capacity	
Maximum Current:	20 A
Maximum Voltage:	16 VDC*
Maximum Power:	280 W
Min. Switching Capacity:	<1 nA, 12 VDC
Max Total Fault Bus Current:	20 A
Overall Module Current:	20 A simultaneously on each stimulus connection
Initial On Path Resistance:	<15 mΩ at 1 A <80 mΩ at 1 mA
Off Path Resistance:	>10 ⁸ Ω
Thermal Offset:	<10 μV
Operate Time:	25 ms typical
Max Operating Speed at nominal load:	6 cpm
Expected Life - resistive load	>1×10 ⁷ operations
Mechanical Life:	>1×10 ⁵ operations
At Max. Switch Capacity:	

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

Power Requirements

+3.3 V	+5 V	+12 V	-12 V
0	430 mA	450 mA (9 relays energised)	0



40-194A Current/Voltage Curve

RF Specification

Bandwidth (-3dB):	M to U	32 MHz (typical)
	M to Fault	5 MHz (typical)
Bandwidth (VSWR 1.5:1):	M to U	10 MHz (typical)
	M to Fault	1 MHz (typical)
Crosstalk (typical):	10 kHz	-85 dB
	100 kHz	-80 dB
	1 MHz	-60 dB
	10 MHz	-35 dB
Isolation (typical):	10 kHz	70 dB
	100 kHz	65 dB
	1 MHz	50 dB
	10 MHz	30 dB

Mechanical Characteristics

Double 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 2 front panel 8-pin male power D-Type connectors, for pin outs please refer to the operating manual.

Interlock via 4-pin female 00 series connector* (40-194A versions with hardware interlock option)

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

Product Order Codes

PXI Solid State Fault Insertion Switch,	
7-Channel, 20 A, One Fault Bus:	40-194A-001
7-Channel, 20 A, Two Fault Buses:	40-194A-002
PXI Solid State Fault Insertion Switch,	
With Hardware Interlock	
7-Channel, 20 A, One Fault Bus:	40-194A-001-HI
7-Channel, 20 A, Two Fault Buses:	40-194A-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 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.

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.

Operating/Storage Conditions

Operating Temperature:	0 °C to +55 °C
Humidity:	Up to 90 % non-condensing
Altitude:	5000 m
Storage Temperature:	-20 °C to +75 °C
Humidity:	Up to 90 % non-condensing
Altitude:	15000 m

Support Products

Interlock Connectors

For module with hardware interlock option (40-194A-012-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 40-194A module, please refer to our [8-pin Power D-type datasheet \(90-012D\)](#).



**40-194A Fault Insertion Switch Module
with Optional Hardware Interlock**

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



Multi-way Cable Assemblies



RF Cable Assemblies



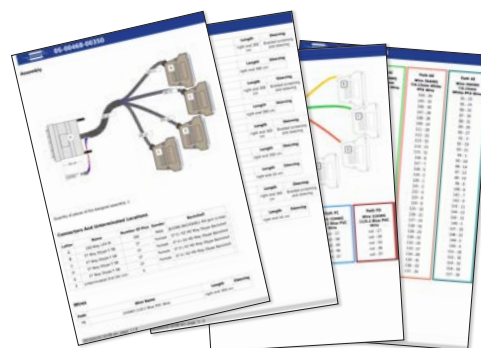
Breakouts



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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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.

For more information go to pickeringtest.com/os

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

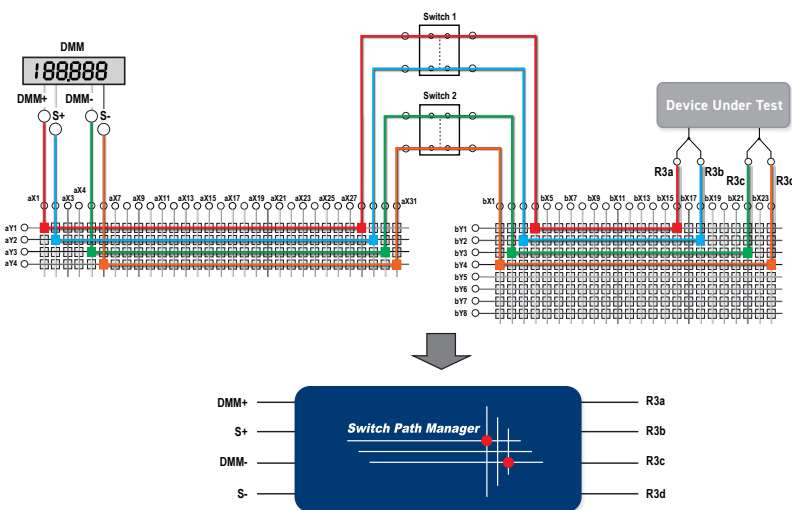
Drivers for popular Linux distributions are available, other environments are also supported, please contact Pickering with specific enquiries. We provide Soft Front Panels (SFPs) for our products for familiarity and manual control, as well as comprehensive documentation and example programs to help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