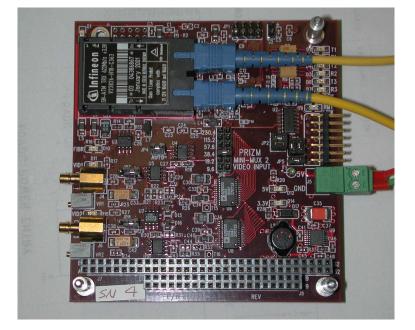


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1 MiniMux 2 Video Input Board P/N – 200610-xxx and MiniMux 2 Video Output Board P/N – 200620-xxx



The MiniMux 2 (MM2) Video Input and Output boards are used as a set; the Input Board is used at the system location where the video sources are located while the Output board is located at the system location where the video is to be displayed. These boards are essentially functionally identical with respect to data functions and the only difference is the input/output functions related to the video. This board set provides for 2 video channels, 2 RS232 data channels and 1 RS422/RS485 data channel. In addition, the MM2 Video Input and Output boards provide for the use of a daughter card for additional data channels.

NOTE: For details on a specific daughter card, refer to the daughter cards manual. For a current list of available daughter cards, please contact the factory sales personnel.

1.1 MiniMux 2 Video Input and Output Board Revision History:

The MiniMux 2 Video Input board (200610-xxx) has gone through the following printed circuit board (PCB) and Assembly revisions:

PCB Revision A/Assembly Revision A Original design. Not currently in production.

<u>PCB Revision B/Assembly Revision B</u> Includes jumpers and assembly changes as noted below and contained in ECO 200612-001:

- Added a 220ufd capacitor on top of existing cap at C47 on back of board
 - Added pull apart resistors for improved RS485 operation
 - Added a 1K resistor from JP5-1 to D19-2
 - Added a 1K resistor from JP3-1 to J3-7

<u>PCB Revision C/Assembly Revision C</u> Incorporated ECO's from PCB rev.A onto new PCB layout

<u>PCB Revision C/Assembly Revision D</u> Includes changes in Uplink Oscillator.

PCB Revision D/Assembly Revision D Current release.

- Changed R5 and J2 footprint.
- Changed F1 fuse from 2Amp to 5Amp.

The MiniMux 2 Video Output board (200620-xxx) has gone through the following printed circuit board (PCB) and Assembly revisions:

PCB Revision A/Assembly Revision A Original design

PCB Revision B/Assembly Revision B Incorporates changes contained in ECO 200612-001 onto PCB:

- Added pull apart resistors for improved RS485 operation
 - Added a 1K resistor from JP5-1 to D19-2
 - Added a 1K resistor from JP3-1 to J3-7

<u>PCB Revision B/Assembly Revision C</u> Includes changes in Uplink Oscillator.

PCB Revision C/Assembly Revision C .

- Changed R4 and J2 footprint.
- Changed F1 fuse from 2Amp to 5Amp.

PCB Revision D/Assembly Revision A.

- Changed R4 to smaller package
- Added LED status header connector.

1.2 MiniMux 2 Video Input and Output Board Dash (-) Number Definitions:

The MM2 Video Input and Output boards have a Dash Number appended to the part number. This Dash Number identifies the specific board configurations. Please see the addendum at the end of this manual for a detailed list of all MiniMux 2 dash number revisions.

1.3 MiniMux 2 Video Input and Output Board Operation

The MM2 Video Input and Output boards include the fiber optic link interface, two channels of video with 10-bit analog-to-digital conversion, two channels of RS-232 data and one channel of RS-485 or RS-422 data. The boards interface to all of the on-board peripheral devices (such as the fiber optic link chips (SERDES), the video analog-to-digital converters (ADCs) and the data interface chips) through a programmable logic device. The boards also provide the interface for a daughter card connection.

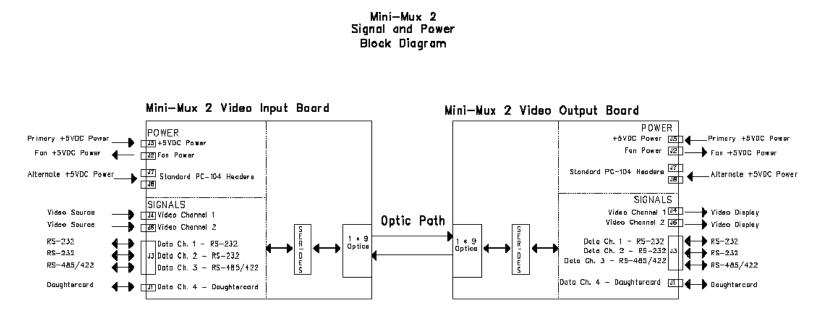
A block diagram of the basic MiniMux 2 Video Input and Output Board I/O is shown on the following page and explained in the subsequent paragraphs.

The transmit portion (uplink from vehicle to surface) of the MM2 Video Input board takes in the two video signals from the ADCs, the three onboard serial data signals and the daughter card data and clock signals and converts them to a single serial optical signal. The signal is transmitted to the MM2 Video Output board at the other end of the fiber optic link in the control/viewing area. The receive portion of the MM2 Video Output board accepts the optical signal, recovers the 2 video channels, recovers the three serial data signals and routes them to the appropriate RS-232/RS-485/RS-422 driver chips, and recovers the daughter card clock and data signals and routes them to the daughter card connection.

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There are no video signals in the optical signal from the MiniMux 2 Video Output board. The transmit portion (downlink from surface to vehicle) of the MM2 Video Output board takes in the three onboard serial data signals and the daughter card data and clock signals and converts them to a single serial optical signal. The signal is transmitted to the MM2 Video Input board at the other end of the fiber optic link in the vehicle. The receive portion of the MM2 Video Input board accepts the optical signal, recovers the three serial data signals and routes them to the appropriate RS-232/RS-485/RS-422 driver chips, and recovers the daughter card clock and data signals and routes them to the daughter card connection.

The MM2 boards require a +5VDC power source provided either through the PC-104 connector of the 2pin Phoenix connector at J5. The boards have an on-board 5V to 3.3V converter to provide power for the components that use that supply voltage.



1.3.1 MiniMux 2 Video Input Board Indicator and Controls

LEDS: There are 14 surface mount (SMD) LED indicators on the MiniMux Video Input board to indicate different statuses that are covered by function below.

LED	Indication
D1 (Green)	Located at the top left of the board serves as an indicator that either +5V or 3.3V dc is available to the daughter card connector, J1. Supply voltage 5V or 3.3V to the daughter card is selected via the placement of fuse F2 (3.3V) or F3 (5V)
D2 (Red)	'ON' when serial transmit data T1 is being sent out of the board
D3 (Green)	'ON' when serial data is being received into the board on channel R1
D4 (Red)	'ON' when serial transmit data T2 is being sent out of the board
D5 (Green)	'ON' when serial data is being received into the board on channel R2
D6 (Red)	'ON' when serial transmit data T3 is being sent out of the board
D7 (Green)	'ON' when serial data is being received into the board on channel R3
D8 (Green)	Labeled RCV LINK 'ON' whenever the onboard SERDES receiver is receiving valid data with no errors. Indicating a good link
D9 (Green)	Labeled RMT LINK LED 'ON' when the link is established with the remote MM2 Video Output board and the data stream is synchronized
D10 (Green)	Located on the left middle of the board, labeled 'FIBER', provides an indication that the transceiver module has detected the presence of an input signal on the fiber link. When 'ON' indicates that this board has a good level of received optical power from the remote unit.
D11 (Green)	Labeled VID1 is 'ON' whenever a video or analog signal is present at the channel 1 video input connector J4.
D12 (Green)	Labeled '5V', located on the mid-right of the board. When 'ON' indicates +5V dc is available to the board
D14 (Green)	Labeled '3.3V', located on the mid-right of the board. When 'ON' indicates the on- board 5V to 3.3V converter is operational
D15 (Green)	Labeled VID2 is 'ON' whenever a video or analog signal is present at the channel 2 video input connectors.

FUSE: a 5A thru-hole fuse, F1, protects the +5VDC input to the board.

SWITCHES: There are no switches on the Video Input board.

CONNECTORS: The connectors on the Video Input board are as follows:

J1	Daughterboard				
	VDC Supply	1	0 0	2	VDC Supply
	RXD 4	3	0 0	4	TXD4
	GND	5	0 0	6	GND
	RXC	7	0 0	8	TXC
	RCV LINK	9	0 0	10	Future

J2	Fan Connector
Pin 1	+5Vdc
Pin2	GND

J3	Data Connecto	or			
RS	S-232 TxD1 (out)	1	0 0	2	RS-232 RxD1 (in)
	GND	3	0 0	4	GND
RS	S-232 TxD2 (out)	5	0 0	6	RS-232 RxD2 (in)
	GND	7	0 0	8	GND
R	S-422 Tx3+ (out)	9	0 0	10	RS-422 Rx3+ (in)/RS-485 RT3+
R	S-422 Tx3- (out)	11	0 0	12	RS-422 Rx3- (in)/RS-485 RT3-
	GND	13	0 0	14	GND

J4	Video Channel 1 Input SMB connector
J5	+5VDC Power connector
J6	Video Channel 2 Input SMB connector
J 7	PC/104 A/B Connector
J8	PC/104 C/D Connector

JUMPERS:

There are 8 jumpers on the MiniMux 2 Video Input Board: (PIN 1 DENOTED BY SQUARE PCB PAD)

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JP1: ISP Programming Header
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JP2: RS-485/RS-422 selection

1 o==o 2		1 0 0 2	
	for RS-485		for RS-422
3 o==o 4		3 0 0 4	

JP3: RS-485/RS-422 Selection

1 0 0 2		1 0 0 2	
	for RS-485		for RS-422
3 0 0 4		3 0 0 4	

JP4: RS-485 Auto baud Select

1 o o 2 Disabled 1 o= =o 2 Enabled

JP5: RS-485 Receiver Termination Enable

1	0	o 2	Not terminated
1	o==	=o 2	Terminated

JP6: RS-485 Baud Rate Selection

12	o o 11	230.4K
	0 0	115.2K
	0 0	57.6K
	0 0	38.4K
	0==0	19.2K
2	o o 1	9.6K

JP7: Video Channel 1 Signal Bias Select

1 o==o o 3 Divider 1 o o==o 3 Video Clamp

JP8: Video Channel 2 Signal Bias Select

1 o==o o 3 Divider 1 o o==o 3 Video Clamp

1.3.2 MiniMux 2 Video Output Board Indicator and Controls

LEDS: There are 14 surface mount (SMD) LED indicators on the MiniMux Video Output board to indicate different statuses that are covered by function below.

LED	Indication
D1 (Green)	Located at the top left of the board serves as an indicator that either +5V or 3.3V dc is available to the daughter card connector, J1. Supply voltage 5V or 3.3V to the daughter card is selected via the placement of fuse F2 (3.3V) or F3 (5V)
D2 (Red)	'ON' when serial transmit data T1 is being sent out of the board
D3 (Green)	'ON' when serial data is being received into the board on channel R1
D4 (Red)	'ON' when serial transmit data T2 is being sent out of the board
D5 (Green)	'ON' when serial data is being received into the board on channel R2
D6 (Red)	'ON' when serial transmit data T3 is being sent out of the board
D7 (Green)	'ON' when serial data is being received into the board on channel R3
D8 (Green)	Labeled RCV LINK 'ON' whenever the onboard SERDES receiver is receiving valid data with no errors. Indicating a good link
D9 (Green)	Labeled RMT LINK LED 'ON' when the link is established with the remote MM2 Video Output board and the data stream is synchronized
D10 (Green)	Located on the left middle of the board, labeled 'FIBER', provides an indication that the transceiver module has detected the presence of an input signal on the fiber link. When 'ON' indicates that this board has a good level of received optical power from the remote unit.
D11 (Green)	Labeled VID1 is 'ON' whenever a video or analog signal is present at the channel 1 video output connector J4.
D12 (Green)	Labeled '5V', located on the mid-right of the board. When 'ON' indicates +5V dc is available to the board
D14 (Green)	Labeled VID2 is 'ON' whenever a video or analog signal is present at the channel 2 video output connector J6.
D15 (Green)	Labeled '3.3V', located on the mid-right of the board. When 'ON' indicates the on- board 5V to 3.3V converter is operational

SWITCHES: There are no switches on the Video Output board.

CONNECTORS: The connectors on the Video Output board are as follows:

J1	Daughterboard				
	VDC Supply	1	0 0	2	VDC Supply
	RXD 4	3	0 0	4	TXD4
	GND	5	0 0	6	GND
	RXC	7	0 0	8	TXC
	RCV LINK	9	0 0	10	Future

J2	Fan Connector
Pin 1	+5Vdc
Pin2	GND

J3	Data Connector				
R	S-232 TxD1 (out)	1	0 0	2	RS-232 RxD1 (in)
	GND	3	0 0	4	GND
R	S-232 TxD2 (out)	5	0 0	6	RS-232 RxD2 (in)
	GND	7	0 0	8	GND
R	S-422 Tx3+ (out)	9	0 0	10	RS-422 Rx3+ (in)/RS-485 RT3+
R	LS-422 Tx3- (out)	11	0 0	12	RS-422 Rx3- (in)/RS-485 RT3-
	GND	13	0 0	14	GND

J4	Video Channel 1 Input SMB connector
J5	+5VDC Power connector
J6	Video Channel 2 Input SMB connector
J 7	PC/104 A/B Connector
J8	PC/104 C/D Connector

NOTE: J9 is only found on Revision D Video Output boards.

J3	LED Status Connector				
	GND	1	0 0	2	+5V DC (OUT)
	RLINK_LED	3	0 0	4	TLINK_LED
	FIBER_LED	5	0 0	6	FUTURE_LED
	VID1_LED	7	0 0	8	VID2_LED
	R1_LED	9	0 0	10	T1_LED
	R2_LED	11	0 0	12	T2_LED
	R3_LED	13	0 0	14	T3_LED

JUMPERS:

There are 6 jumpers on the MiniMux 2 Video Output Board. (PIN 1 DENOTED BY SQUARE PCB PAD)

JP1: ISP Programming Header

JP2: RS-485/RS-422 selection 1 o==0 2 For RS-485 3 o==0 4	1 o o 2 3 o o 4	for RS-422
JP3: RS-485/RS-422 Selection 1 o o 2 For RS-485 3 o o 4	1 o o 2 3 o o 4	for RS-422

JP4: RS-485 Auto baud Select

- 1 o o 2 Disabled
- 1 o = = o 2 Enabled
- **JP5**: RS-485 Receiver Termination Enable
- $1 \circ 0 2$ Not terminated $1 \circ 0 = 0 2$ Terminated

JP6: RS-485 Baud Rate Selection

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12	0	o 11	230.4K
	0	0	115.2K
	0	0	57.6K
	0	0	38.4K
	0==	=0	19.2K
2	0	o 1	9.6K

• MM2 RS-232/RS-485/RS-422 Data Operation

The MiniMux System provides two independent channels of RS-232 data and one channel of either RS-485 or RS-422 data (jumper selectable). All data channels support at least 115.2 Kbaud, with the RS422 channel capable of up to 2.5Mbps. Refer to the Jumper Configuration section for specific jumper definitions and settings for the Video Input and Video Output boards.

• MM2 RS-232 Data Channel Selection and Operation

The two channels of RS-232 are not optically isolated. There are no baud rate jumpers to select for RS-232 operation. The channels are simply time sampled at 16.5 mega samples per second (Msps). The maximum RS-232 data rate is governed by the slew rate limiting on the RS-232 driver chips themselves.

• MM2 RS-485/RS-422 Data Channel Selection and Operation

The RS-485/RS-422 channel can have several possible configurations. The configurations are selected by placing jumper shunts on several jumper posts. The RS-485/RS-422 channel does not have optical isolation.

If the channel is selected for RS-485 operation, then the data rate should be selected to agree with the actual rate in use. Six different data rates are selectable: 9.6K, 19.2K, 38.4K, 57.6K, 115.2K and 230.4Kbaud. There is an additional jumper post that, if placed, enables an auto baud mode that supports data rates up the maximum expected data rate (selected from the rates above). Leaving the shunt off selects a fixed data rate (selected above). The receiver line termination should be selected for 100 ohms for most applications.

Note: Refer to the Jumper Configuration section for specific jumper definitions and settings for the Video Input and Video Output boards.

If the channel is configured for RS-422 then the data rate settings are ignored. Any data rate up to and above 2.5-mega baud are supported. The receiver line termination should be selected for 100 ohms for most applications.

NOTE: The default board configuration as shipped from the factory is RS-485, in auto baud mode selected with a maximum of 57.6Kbaud, and with a receiver line termination of 100 ohms enabled.

1.3.3 MiniMux 2 Video Input and Output Board Specifications:

<u>Optical</u>	
Link Data Rate:	up to 1.4 Gbps, 666.6/640 Mbps typically on the uplink/downlink
System Frame Rate:	up to 70 Mega samples/sec (Msps), 33.3/32 Msps typically on the uplink/downlink
Fiber Options:	Single mode or Multimode
Laser Wavelengths:	1310 and 1550 nanometers
Optical Output Levels:	-5dBm transmitter power output at 1550 nm, typically
	-5dBm transmitter power output at 1310 nm, typically
Receiver Sensitivity:	-30 dBm receiver sensitivity, typically
Receiver Saturation:	-6 dBm, typically
Optical Budget:	25 dB, typically
Optical Link Lengths:	up to 20 kilometers with single mode at 450 Mbps
1 0	up to 4 kilometers with multimode at 450 Mbps
Video	
Number of Video Channels:	2
Video Quantizing Levels:	10 bits or 1024 levels
Video Sample Rate:	16.5 Msps, typically

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<u>Onboard Data Channels</u>	2 x RS-232, 1 x RS-485/422		
Number of Data Channels:	At least 115Kbaud		
RS-232 Data Rates:	At least 115Kbaud		
RS-485 Data Rate:	9.6K, 19.2K, 38.4K, 57.6K, 115.2K, 230.4K baud fixed rates		
Selectable:	or auto baud (default setting on board)		
RS-422 Data Rate:	At least 2.5Mbaud		
<u>Off board Data Capability - E</u>	Daughter card		
Power	+5 or 3.3 VDC supplied via daughter card connector		
Number of Data Channels	Depends on Daughter Board, refer to Daughter Board manual		
Remote LED Status Display Capability On Rev D Video Output board J9 ribbon header carries LED status as TTL level signals to MM2 Display board (200930-xxx)			
Misc.	0 degree C to 65 degree C		
Operating Temperature:	(Except high temp version, which is -20 deg C to 70 deg C)		

1.3.4 MiniMux 2 Video Input and Output Board Dimensions:

PC/104 printed circuit board (PCB): 3.55 in x 3.775 in x 0.60 in board-to-board 90.17 mm x 95.88 mm x 15.24 mm

1.3.5 MiniMux 2 Video Input and Output Board Power Requirements

+5 Volts at 1.0 Amps (5.0 Watts), maximum

1.4 MiniMux 2 Video Input and Output Board Adjustment and Troubleshooting

In normal operation the following LED status should be observed:

+5V Power LED – Lit green +3.3V Power LED – Lit green FIBER LED – Lit green RCV LINK LED – Lit green RMT LINK LED – Lit green R1/R2/R3 Leds - Lit green if receiving data into board T1/T2/T3 Leds - Lit red if transmitting data out of board D1 (Daughter card Power Available) – Lit green Video Leds (D11, D15 on INPUT Board; D11, D14 on the Output Board) lit when signal present

1.4.1 Power Section Testing

NOTE: The PC/104 connectors on the bottom of the Video Input and Output boards have pins that are connected to +5VDC and ground. If these pins are inadvertently shorted together or to a common chassis ground, the board fuse (F1) will blow.

If both the +5V Power LED +3.3V Power LED are out:

- Check for continuity of fuse F1 with an ohmmeter.
- Replace fuse if blown.

If only the +5V Power LED is out:

- Verify +5V DC is present at the source
 - At J5 if powered off of external power
 - At J7 or J8 if powered off of the PC-104 bus.
- If +5V is not available replace the board with a spare.
- If +5V is available check the display LED (D11).

If only the +3.3V Power LED is out:

- Verify +5VDC across C35 (replace board if +5VDC is not available)
- Verify +3.3VDC across C47 on back of board
 - If +3.3V is not available replace the board with a spare.
 - If +3.3V is available check the display LED (D14).

If D1 is not on and Daughter card operation is required:

- Verify that either F2 (for +3.3VDC to D/C) or F3 (for +5VDC to D/C) is placed and is not blown
- Replace fuse if blown (it is a surface mount)
- Verify proper voltage at connector J1
 - If Voltage is available check the display LED (D14).

1.4.2 Optical Section Testing

If the FIBER LED, RCV LINK LED and/or RMT LNK LED are off or flickering, one or more of the following conditions is likely:

- The fiber is broken or damaged.
- The optical transceiver module is defective.
- Excessive light loss (low received optical power) is being experienced.
- The MiniMux board (not the optical transceiver module) is malfunctioning.
- There is not enough attenuation in the optical link and the receiver is saturating.

If excessive optical loss is being experienced, the following conditions may be present:

- May have horizontal lines or random white dots on video monitors.
- Check the optical level with an optical power meter and inspect all fiber optic connections including WDMs and slip rings.

To determine if the fiber is broken, a laser module is out, or the board is malfunctioning, first:

- Verify that the optical transceiver is tight in its socket.
- Verify that shunts (jumpers) are placed per system jumper configuration.
- Check all fiber optic connections including WDMs and slip rings to make sure that they are not causing the problem.
- Check that the optical fiber cable is straight at connectors on board for minimum optic loss.

1.4.3 Video Section Testing

If one or more video channels are tearing or have a low video level:

- First, try to adjust the gain on the MiniMux Input board, utilizing trim pots VR1 and VR2. These trim pots are next to the video connectors.
- Next, try to adjust the gain on MiniMux Output board, utilizing trim pots VR1 and VR2. These trim pots are next to the video connectors.

If one or more video channels are out:

- Verify that MiniMux Input board is installed on camera side of link (Usually ROV end) and that MiniMux Output board is installed in the monitor side of the link (usually the surface unit).
- Inspect cameras, cables, connectors, and monitors for damage and repair/replace if necessary.
- Verify that the video level Leds on the Video Input board is lit to indicate that a video signal is present at the video input connector. Check the video signal at the connector with a monitor or an oscilloscope.
- If a video signal is present at the Video Input board, replace the board with a spare. If this does not fix the problem, replace the Video Output board with a spare.

1.4.4 Data Section Testing

If one or both RS-232 data channels are out or has errors:

- Run RS-232 data into appropriate pins of connector J3 of the channel being tested. The RS-232 data can be input into either the remote vehicle or surface MiniMux board.
- On the other end of the link, short the same pins of connector J3 of the MiniMux RS-232 channel being tested. This will allow the two MiniMux boards to talk to each other in loop back. Both RX and TX Leds on both boards should be lit and/or flickering in response to the data traffic.
- If the RS-232 data channel is not operating correctly, first check the RS-232. If the wiring appears correct, then first replace the Video Input board with a spare and check the RS-232 channel again. If the problem is still there, return the original Video Input board, replace the Video Output board with a spare and check the RS-232 again.
- If any of the Leds are not operating correctly check one of the other channels. If the Leds operate on that channel, replace the MiniMux board with a spare board or use the working channels only.

If the RS-485 data channel is out or has errors:

• Run RS-485 data into appropriate pins of connector J3. The RS-485 data can be input into either the remote vehicle or surface MiniMux board.

- On the other end of the link, attach the other computer used for RS-485 testing to the same pins of connector J3 of the MiniMux RS-485 channel. This will allow the two RS-485 test computers to talk to each other through the MiniMux boards. Both RX and TX Leds on both boards should be lit and/or flickering in response to the data traffic.
- If the RS-485 data channel is not operating correctly, first check the RS-485 wiring then the jumpers on both MiniMux boards. If the wiring and jumpers appear correct, then replace first the Video Input board with a spare and check the RS-485 again. If the problem is still there, return the original Video Input board, replace the Video Output board with a spare and check the RS-485 again.
- If any of the Leds are not operating correctly check one of the other channels. If the Leds operate on that channel, replace the MiniMux board with a spare board or use the working channels only.

If the RS-422 data channel is out or has errors:

- Run RS-422 data into appropriate pins of connector J3. The RS-422 data can be input into either the remote vehicle or surface MiniMux board.
- On the other end of the link, short the TX3+ pin to the RX3+ pin and the TX3- to RX3- pins of connector J3 of the MiniMux RS-422 channel being tested. This will allow the two MiniMux boards to talk to each other in loop back. Both RX and TX Leds on both boards should be lit and/or flickering in response to the data traffic.
- If the RS-422 data channel is not operating correctly, first check the RS-422 wiring then the jumpers on both MiniMux boards. If the wiring and jumpers appear correct, then replace first the Video Input board with a spare and check the RS-422 again.
- If the problem is still there, return the original Video Input board, replace the Video Output board with a spare and check the RS-422 again. If any of the Leds are not operating correctly check one of the other channels. If the Leds operate on that channel, replace the MiniMux board with a spare board.

2 Appendix A: Optical Considerations

2.1 MiniMux2 Fiber Optics Overview

Both the MM2 Video Input board and the Video Output board come with the fiber optic transmitter/receiver (an industry standard 1x9 transceiver module) placed in a socket. The Video Input board must be optically linked with a Video Output board for the MiniMux System to function properly.

The fiber optic transceiver module has a duplex SC/PC fiber optic connector. The user's field optical cables can be plugged directly into the transceiver. For single fiber WDM versions, two short SC/PC to ST jumper cables plug into the transceiver and then into the WDM.

NOTE: The MiniMux2 System does NOT require a full duplex fiber optic connection in place before multiplexed data is sent over the fiber link. If only one direction is operational, then only the information sent in that direction is available. If only single direction video is required and full duplex data is not required then only the uplink fiber needs to be plugged in.

2.2 MiniMux2 System Single mode Versus Multimode Optical Operation

The Prizm MiniMux System can be configured for use with either single mode or multimode fiber optic cable in the umbilical and with fiber optic rotary joints (i.e. slip rings). With a single mode umbilical cable, optical links in excess of 20 kilometers (64,000 feet) can be used with the Prizm MiniMux System.

Note: Some systems are supplied with optics that incorporate the WDM within the 1*9 optical assembly (MRV) – these systems will only work as single mode fiber systems.

Multimode umbilical require special attention. Multimode cables typically have optical cores of either 50 or 62.5 micron and are not optimized for use with single mode lasers, which are designed for a fiber optic cable typically with a 9-micron optical core. The wide core diameter of multimode fiber optic cable allows multiple light paths from the laser instead of the normal single path (or ray) of light found in single mode fiber. The multiple paths lead to differing arrival times for the transmitted laser light and the paths will change as the fiber is moved or bent. The result is a reduction in the effective bandwidth of the optical signal. To operate reliably, multimode link length should be held to a maximum of 4 Kilometers.

NOTE: The Prizm MiniMux System can be configured to operate over a multimode umbilical of up to 4 kilometers.

Single mode and multimode deck cables should not be mixed. Once the laser light has been coupled into multimode cable, it cannot be coupled back into single mode cable. The laser light path will still be approximately 9 micron in diameter as it leaves the multimode cable so the chances that the ray will hit the 9-micron fiber core are extremely small. Excessive flexing of the multimode cable will tend to move the laser ray within the cable and the exit of the ray will be anywhere within the optical cross-section of the multimode cable.

2.3 MiniMux2 System Optical Configurations

Several optical configurations can be supported. The most common configurations are single fiber and dual fiber operation.

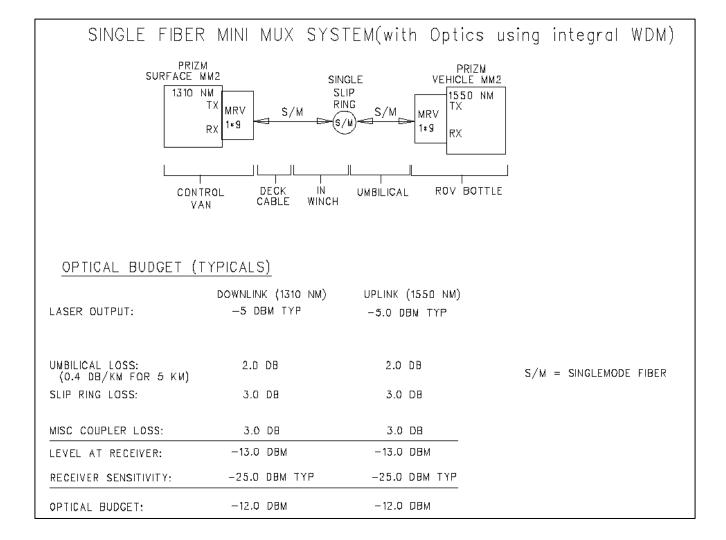
2.3.1 Single Fiber Operation

Single fiber operation is advantageous to maximize the number of spare fibers in an umbilical or slip ring. Single fiber operation is implemented by using two different optical wavelengths to carry the uplink and downlink data on the same fiber. The two wavelengths are filtered and combined by external WDMs to remove any interference between the uplink and downlink signals. The laser transmitters are fabricated with a specific wavelength (i.e. 1310 or 1550 nm) and transmit at these wavelengths. The optical receivers are responsive to a wide range of wavelengths (typically 1000 to 2000 nm). The filtering function of the WDM removes the local transmitter's wavelength (the undesired signal) from the remote transmitter's wavelength (the desired signal). The local transmitter's signal can feed back into the local receiver by the reflection from a poorly terminated fiber optic connector and cause link errors.

Based on the present optics available, there are 3 possible configurations of the MiniMux 2 that will facilitate single fiber operation:

- Single-mode single fiber operation using optics which incorporate an integral WDM
- Single-mode single fiber operation using optics that require a separate external WDM
- Multi-mode Single Fiber operation using optics that require a separate external WDM

Refer to next page for a block diagram of the single-mode with integral WDM system.



Refer to next page for a block diagram of the single-mode with external WDM system. A multimode system would have multimode fiber and WDMs. A typical optical budget is shown which includes cable and connector losses. Notice that the uplink laser output (from the vehicle) is 8 dBm higher than the downlink (-2.0 dBm versus -10 dBm). The optical receivers have an optical input overload of greater than -6 dBm. The higher power necessitates a set of attenuators placed in the uplink optical path to reduce the received optical power by about 10 dB. Moog Components Group provides a short SC/PC to ST/PC fiber whip with an integral 5 dB attenuator that can be placed at both ends of the link.

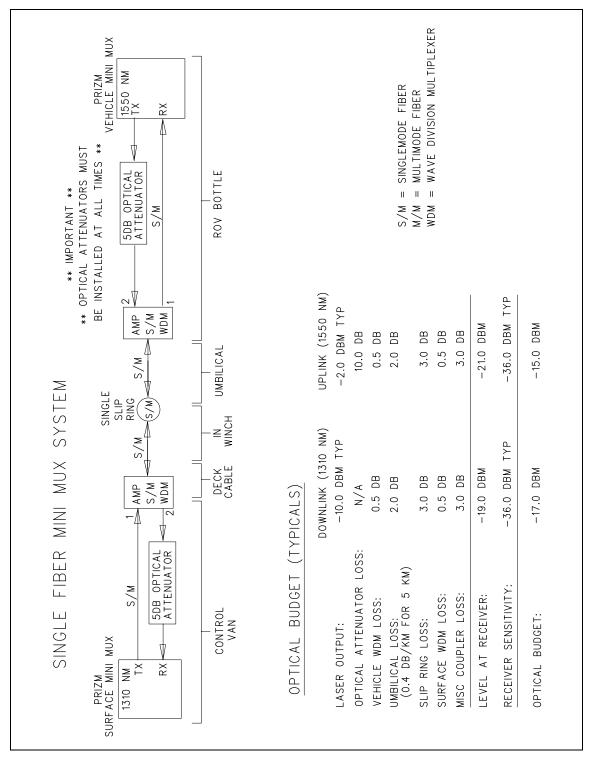


Figure 1 Single Fiber MiniMux System

2.3.2 Dual Fiber Operation

Dual fiber operation uses two separate fibers, one for transmit and the other for receive. The same transmit wavelength is used at both of the Video Input and Output boards. This configuration does not use an external WDM.

Refer to Figure 3 for a block diagram of a typical dual fiber MiniMux System. A typical optical budget is shown which includes cable and connector losses. Notice that the uplink laser output (from the vehicle) is the same as the downlink as this example has 1310 nm laser optics at both ends of the link. No attenuators should be placed in the uplink optical path.

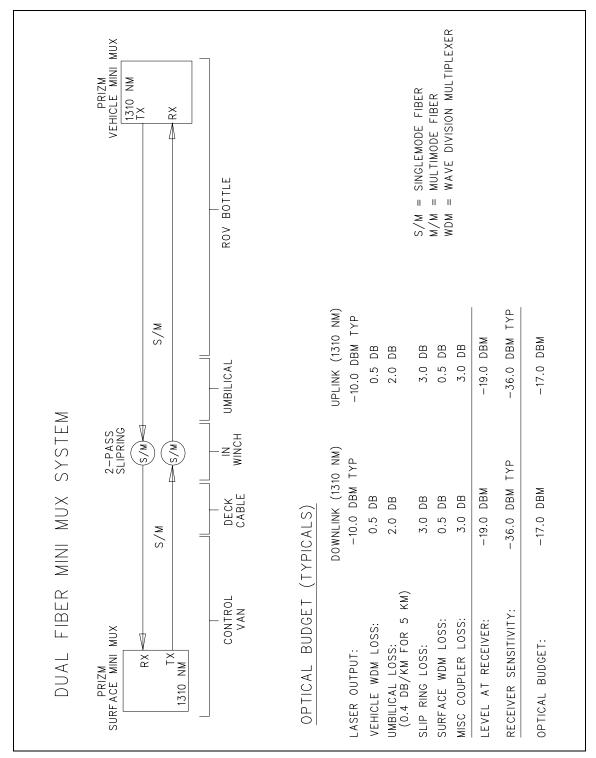


Figure 2 Dual Fiber MiniMux Systems

3 Appendix B. MiniMux 2 System Installation and Checkout

3.1 General Mini Mux2 System Installation Notes

NOTE: Please read all of this section prior to starting the installation process.

NOTE: The Mini Mux2 System does NOT require a full duplex fiber optic connection in place before multiplexed data is sent over the fiber link. If only one direction is operational, then only the information sent in that direction is available. If only single direction video is required and full duplex data is not required then only the uplink fiber needs to be plugged in.

NOTE: The PC/104 connectors on the bottom of the Video Input and Output boards have pins that are connected to +5VDC and ground. If these pins are inadvertently shorted together or to a common chassis ground, the board fuse (F1) will blow.

NOTE: If MRV optics are to be used and the MiniMux 2 is to have cards stacked above it, .7" spacers will be required to prevent mechanical interference as the MRV optics are taller then standard optics.

Test Equipment Required:

- 1. Video signal generator or video camera
- 2. Video monitor
- 3. Serial data test hardware, a computer with appropriate serial data interface cards for RS-232, RS-485, and/or RS-422 and appropriate serial test software, or your actual telemetry control serial link
- 4. Fiber optic power meter (optional)

3.2 Standalone MiniMux 2 System Installation Checkout Procedure

For this standalone MiniMux System installation checkout procedure, it is assumed that the MiniMux System is composed of a Video Input board mounted in the vehicle and a Video Output board on the surface. +5VDC power is supplied by a separate DC power supply. For this example, the MiniMux boards are NOT plugged into existing PC/104 stacks but mounted separately.

- 1. At the vehicle, mount the MiniMux Video Input board.
- 2. Wire the DC power leads from the power source (+5VDC only) to a 2-pin Phoenix plug (supplied with the MiniMux 2 board). Use 16-gauge wire (or equivalent) for +5VDC and DC GND connections.
- 3. Power up the supply (do not plug the 2-pin Phoenix connector into the Video Input board) and verify the correct voltage is available at the 2-pin plug. The DC voltage should be in the range of +5.00VDC to +5.50VDC. *NOTE. If you cannot establish proper voltage STOP the installation and refer to the manufacturer's technical documentation provided with the power source.*
- 4. Once the correct DC power is verified on the 2-pin connector, turn the power supply off, plug the 2-pin connector into the MiniMux Video Input board, turn the power supply back on and verify that the +5V and +3.3V power Leds light up on the board. If the Daughter-card power section is enabled, D1

will also be lit indication power is available to the Daughter card connector. No other Leds should be lit on the MiniMux Video Input board, as no fiber optic connection is present yet.

- 5. Now repeat all of the previous steps to install the MiniMux Video Output board at the surface.
- 6. Connect either a short length of fiber optic test cable or the actual working umbilical cable between the MiniMux Video Input and Video Output boards. Power up the two units and verify that the both of the green FIBER, RCV LINK LED and RMT LED are lit on both the vehicle and surface units.
- 7. If all 3 Leds are lit on both boards, skip to the video testing step.
- 8. If all 3 Leds are <u>NOT</u> lit, check all fiber connections in the system.
- 9. Use a video test pattern generator or camera to generate a video signal to test both of the video channels. When the video input source is connected to one of the two channels on a Video Input board, a green LED will light on the corresponding channel on both the Video Input and Video Output boards. Refer to the Video Section Testing under Troubleshooting for more information.
- 10. Test the data channels on the board. This may be done with an appropriate serial data test generator, a PC with communications software, or even with a square wave signal generator. Refer to the Data Section Testing under Troubleshooting for more information.

NOTE: Ensure that any serial data test signals are appropriate for the data channel type (i.e., if the input channel is an RS-232 interface then up to but not exceeding +/- 12VDC signals can be used).

3.3 PC/104 Stack MiniMux System Installation Checkout Procedure

For this PC/104 stack Mini Mux System installation checkout procedure, it is assumed that the Mini Mux System is composed of a Video Input board mounted in the vehicle and a Video Output board on the surface and that the Mini Mux boards are stacked with the user's other PC/104 boards. +5VDC power for the Mini Mux boards is supplied by the user's DC power supply powering the PC/104 stack.

- 1. At the vehicle, mount the Mini Mux Video Input board at a convenient space within the existing PC/104 stack. The board does not use the PC/104 bus except for +5VDC power but does pass through all of the bus signals and can be placed in the middle of the stack if required.
- +5VDC power will be taken from the PC/104 stack. It is assumed that the user has verified correct AC power connections to the stack power supply and that +5VDC is available at the PC/104 connectors. NOTE: Do not plug anything into the 2-pin Phoenix connector into the Video Input board nor attempt to power the PC/104 stack through the Video Input board power connector or the fuse (F1) will blow.
- 3. Repeat all of the previous steps to install the Mini Mux Video Output board at the surface.
- 4. Follow steps 6 through 10 from the previous section.