

I/A Series® 50 Series Application Processor Model AP51



Application Processor 51 performs one or more of the following functions in an I/A Series System:

- Execution of application functions, such as those relating to:
 - Displays
 - Production control
 - User applications
 - Diagnostics
 - Configuration
- Development and execution of applications functions (Foxboro and other) requiring extensive data processing and file serving capabilities.
- Processing of bulk storage file requests from tasks either within the same application processor or from other stations.

In conjunction with one or more file storage devices (e.g., disk drives), Application Processor 51 can be used to load other stations in the system. It can also be used to execute production control tasks such as data reconciliation, spreadsheet, and performance calculations; provide support facilities such as operator "help" and electronic documentation; and provide application development facilities such as compilers, linkers, and text editors.

A Small Computer System Interface (SCSI), designed into the Application Processor 51, provides an industry standard bus to support peripherals having SCSI compatible controllers. Connected hard disk drives may be configured redundant and mirrored for maximum system security and data availability.

Direct electrical interfacing with the I/A Series Nodebus is effected via a Dual Nodebus Interface Module or Dual Nodebus Interface Extender Module (refer to PSS 21H-7B2 B4). An optional Thinnet, AUI, or Twisted-Pair Ethernet® communications port provides for connection to other networks such as DECnet® or TCP/IP.

The Application Processor 51 consists of a single module having an A-Module form factor for mounting in I/A Series enclosures. Alternatively, it can be mounted in a 19-inch rack equipped with a Foxboro-designed modular mounting structure, or in a table-top configuration.

The Application Processor 51 contains the following elements:

- Processor
- Dynamic RAM Memory
- Nodebus Interface
- 3.5" 1.44 Mb Floppy Disk
- Small Computer System Interface (SCSI)
- Serial Interface (Printer or Terminal Port)
- Optional Ethernet Communications Port
- Optional Second SCSI Port for Disk Mirroring

FUNCTIONAL SPECIFICATIONS

Quantities and Types of Devices Served(a)(b)

SCSI(c) PERIPHERALS

Up to six (total); one CDROM Drive, Hard Disk Drives, and two Streaming Tape Drives, with controllers; up to four Hard Disk Drives, with embedded controllers, may be included in the total complement.

NON-SCSI PERIPHERALS

One 1.44 Mb 3.5" Floppy Drive (internal)

SERIAL INTERFACE

Printer or Video Terminal

Processor Type

MicroSPARC® RISC Processor @ 50 MHz and Floating Point Unit

RAM Memory

16 Mbytes, expandable to 96 Mbytes

Nodebus Interface Communications

TYPE

IEEE 802.3 data bus and

EIA RS-423 control bus(d)

MAXIMUM DISTANCE FROM NODEBUS USING DUAL NODEBUS INTERFACE MODULE

50 m (150 ft)

MAXIMUM DISTANCE FROM NODEBUS USING DUAL NODEBUS INTERFACE EXTENDER MODULE

450 m (1500 ft)

Serial Interface Communications

TYPE

EIA RS-423 (RS-232C compatible)

DISTANCE

15 m (50 ft)

Optional Ethernet Communications Port

TYPE

Ethernet data bus

DISTANCE

A function of host computer network characteristics

- (a) The total number of SCSI devices on one application processor may not exceed six. For example, if a CDROM, a streaming tape drive, and four hard disk drives are selected, no more SCSI devices may be added. Also, the maximum number of SCSI devices may be determined by maximum cable and device distances (6 meters).
- (b) Redundant mirrored hard disk drives may be included, with identical images. Floppy disk drives and tape drives cannot be configured redundant.
- (c) Small Computer System Interface (ANSI standard ANSC X3T9.2)
- (d) Refer to PSS 21H-7B2 B4, Dual Nodebus Interface and Dual Nodebus Interface Extender, for information on how the control bus is used.

FUNCTIONAL SPECIFICATIONS (CONT.)**Error Detection****COMMUNICATION ERRORS**

Cyclic redundancy codes (CRC) and
checksum codes

MEMORY ERRORS

Parity code

DISK ERRORS

CRC and Reed-Solomon codes (used for error
detection and correction)

SCSI ERRORS

Parity code

Power Requirements**INPUT VOLTAGE**

100-120 V ac or 200-240 V ac

CONSUMPTION

70 W

Internal Diagnostics

Self-checking performed at power-up. Runtime
checks and watchdog timer function performed
during operation.

ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIFICATIONS**Operating****TEMPERATURE**

0 to 40 °C (32 to 104 °F)

RELATIVE HUMIDITY

20 to 80%, noncondensing

ALTITUDE

0 to +3000 m (0 to +10 000 ft)

Storage**TEMPERATURE**

-20 to +60 °C (-4 to 140 °F)

RELATIVE HUMIDITY

5 to 95%, noncondensing

ALTITUDE

-300 to +12 000 m (-1000 to +40 000 ft)

PHYSICAL SPECIFICATIONS**Mounting**

I/A Series Industrial Enclosure or Modular
Industrial Workstation Bay, table-top mounting,
or 19" rack mounting (using Foxboro-designed
modular mounting structure).

Mass (Maximum)

5.5 kg (12.0 lb)

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