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Model 7751/7752 Switching Modules

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The Models 7751/7752 can be
used with Keithley's Model 2790.

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Safety Precautions

The following safety precautions should be observed before using this product and any associated instrumentation. Although some instruments and accessories would normally be used with non-hazardous voltages, there are situations where hazardous conditions may be present.

This product is intended for use by qualified personnel who recognize shock hazards and are familiar with the safety precautions required to avoid possible injury. Read and follow all installation, operation, and maintenance information carefully before using the product. Refer to the manual for complete product specifications.

If the product is used in a manner not specified, the protection provided by the product may be impaired.

The types of product users are:

Responsible body is the individual or group responsible for the use and maintenance of equipment, for ensuring that the equipment is operated within its specifications and operating limits, and for ensuring that operators are adequately trained.

Operators use the product for its intended function. They must be trained in electrical safety procedures and proper use of the instrument. They must be protected from electric shock and contact with hazardous live circuits.

Maintenance personnel perform routine procedures on the product to keep it operating properly, for example, setting the line voltage or replacing consumable materials. Maintenance procedures are described in the manual. The procedures explicitly state if the operator may perform them. Otherwise, they should be performed only by service personnel.

Service personnel are trained to work on live circuits, and perform safe installations and repairs of products. Only properly trained service personnel may perform installation and service procedures.

Keithley products are designed for use with electrical signals that are rated Installation Category I and Installation Category II, as described in the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) Standard IEC 60664. Most measurement, control, and data I/O signals are Installation Category I and must not be directly connected to mains voltage or to voltage sources with high transient over-voltages. Installation Category II connections require protection for high transient over-voltages often associated with local AC mains connections. Assume all measurement, control, and data I/O connections are for connection to Category I sources unless otherwise marked or described in the Manual.

Exercise extreme caution when a shock hazard is present. Lethal voltage may be present on cable connector jacks or test fixtures. The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) states that a shock hazard exists when voltage levels greater than 30V RMS, 42.4V peak, or 60VDC are present. **A good safety practice is to expect that hazardous voltage is present in any unknown circuit before measuring.**

Operators of this product must be protected from electric shock at all times. The responsible body must ensure that operators are prevented access and/or insulated from every connection point. In some cases, connections must be exposed to potential human contact. Product operators in these circumstances must be trained to protect themselves from the risk of electric shock. If the circuit is capable of operating at or above 1000 volts, **no conductive part of the circuit may be exposed.**

Do not connect switching cards directly to unlimited power circuits. They are intended to be used with impedance limited sources. NEVER connect switching cards directly to AC mains. When connecting sources to switching cards, install protective devices to limit fault current and voltage to the card.

Before operating an instrument, make sure the line cord is connected to a properly grounded power receptacle. Inspect the connecting cables, test leads, and jumpers for possible wear, cracks, or breaks before each use.

When installing equipment where access to the main power cord is restricted, such as rack mounting, a separate main input power disconnect device must be provided, in close proximity to the equipment and within easy reach of the operator.

For maximum safety, do not touch the product, test cables, or any other instruments while power is applied to the circuit under test. ALWAYS remove power from the entire test system and discharge any capacitors before: connecting or disconnecting cables or jumpers, installing or removing switching cards, or making internal changes, such as installing or removing jumpers.

Do not touch any object that could provide a current path to the common side of the circuit under test or power line (earth) ground. Always make measurements with dry hands while standing on a dry, insulated surface capable of withstanding the voltage being measured.

The instrument and accessories must be used in accordance with its specifications and operating instructions or the safety of the equipment may be impaired.

Do not exceed the maximum signal levels of the instruments and accessories, as defined in the specifications and operating information, and as shown on the instrument or test fixture panels, or switching card.

When fuses are used in a product, replace with same type and rating for continued protection against fire hazard.

Chassis connections must only be used as shield connections for measuring circuits, NOT as safety earth ground connections.

If you are using a test fixture, keep the lid closed while power is applied to the device under test. Safe operation requires the use of a lid interlock.

If  or  is present, connect it to safety earth ground using the wire recommended in the user documentation.

The  symbol on an instrument indicates that the user should refer to the operating instructions located in the manual.

The  symbol on an instrument shows that it can source or measure 1000 volts or more, including the combined effect of normal and common mode voltages. Use standard safety precautions to avoid personal contact with these voltages.

The **WARNING** heading in a manual explains dangers that might result in personal injury or death. Always read the associated information very carefully before performing the indicated procedure.

The **CAUTION** heading in a manual explains hazards that could damage the instrument. Such damage may invalidate the warranty.

Instrumentation and accessories shall not be connected to humans.

Before performing any maintenance, disconnect the line cord and all test cables.

To maintain protection from electric shock and fire, replacement components in mains circuits, including the power transformer, test leads, and input jacks, must be purchased from Keithley Instruments. Standard fuses, with applicable national safety approvals, may be used if the rating and type are the same. Other components that are not safety related may be purchased from other suppliers as long as they are equivalent to the original component. (Note that selected parts should be purchased only through Keithley Instruments to maintain accuracy and functionality of the product.) If you are unsure about the applicability of a replacement component, call a Keithley Instruments office for information.

To clean an instrument, use a damp cloth or mild, water based cleaner. Clean the exterior of the instrument only. Do not apply cleaner directly to the instrument or allow liquids to enter or spill on the instrument. Products that consist of a circuit board with no case or chassis (e.g., data acquisition board for installation into a computer) should never require cleaning if handled according to instructions. If the board becomes contaminated and operation is affected, the board should be returned to the factory for proper cleaning/servicing.

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Introduction

The Models 7751 and 7752 are used with the Model 2790 SourceMeter Switch System to test airbag inflators. Safety features are integrated into the design of the modules to help safeguard the user and the module. With proper use of the module and the Model 2790 mainframe, risk of ignition is minimal.

The 7751 and 7752 modules have a built-in programmable constant I-source to perform low resistance measurements. The 7751 module also has a built-in programmable V-source and an I/V converter. This allows the 7751 module to be used with the Digital Multimeter (DMM) of the Model 2790 to measure high ohms (1MΩ to 1GΩ).

NOTE *Details on using the 7751 and 7752 modules are provided in Sections 1, 2, and 5 of the Model 2790 User's Manual.*

WARNING **It is the responsibility of the user to ensure that external protection is provided, either by an inherently safe electrical barrier and/or a safety barrier around the DUT or airbag, to prevent injury in case of detonation. The user must take additional precautions when working with hazardous voltages. A shock hazard exists when >42V is present in the system.**

WARNING **DO NOT apply external sources to the 7751 or 7752 modules. Only the sources provided in the modules should be used for the test system.**

Switching matrix

The switching matrix provides four banks of input for the DUT. Each bank provides inputs for 4-wire connections. Each bank also has a built-in short available for HIPOT testing. The switching scheme of the matrix provides the versatility needed to use the I-source, V-source (7751) and the DMM of the Model 2790.

NOTE *The schematic diagram of the 7751/7752 module is provided in Section 2 of the User's Manual.*

I-source

The programmable I-source of the 7751 and 7752 modules can be set from 0 to 50mA. The I-source is used with the DMM of the 2790 to measure low resistance (i.e., bridgewires and shunt bars). The I-source has a dry circuit that can be used to measure oxide build-up on the contacts of a shunt bar. The dry circuit clamps the test voltage at 20mV to prevent oxide piercing during the measurement.

V-source and I/V converter (7751)

The programmable V-source of the 7751 module can be set from 50 to 500V. When the V-source and I/V converter are used with the 2790 DMM, high resistance measurements (1MΩ to 1GΩ) can be performed to test the insulation resistance of an inflator.

The V-source can also be used as an independent voltage source. It is typically used with the 7702 module to test multiple DUT.

NOTE Details on using the V-source with the 7702 module are provided in Section 3 of the Model 2790 User's Manual.

Module wiring and installation

The 7751 and 7752 modules use screw terminals for DUT connections. The screw terminals are accessed by removing the top cover of the module. The quick-disconnect terminal blocks can be pulled off the PC-board to make the connections.

WARNING When connecting the DUT and before installing (or removing) the module in the mainframe, make sure the Model 2790 is turned off, the line cord is disconnected, and there are no external sources connected to the module or the mainframe.

General wiring requirements

Cable wires should be mechanically durable, preferably 20AWG or larger with a high voltage insulation, such as rubber or silicon, that are rated for at least 1000V.

NOTE Details on making connections to the 7751/7752 module and installing the module in the mainframe are provided in Section 4 of the Model 2790 User's Manual.

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

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