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International Standard ISO 2110 was prepared by Technical Committee ISO/TC 97, *Information processing systems*.

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# Information technology — Data communication — 25-pole DTE/DCE interface connector and contact number assignments

## 1 Scope

This International Standard specifies the 25-pole connector and the assignment of contact numbers at the interface between data terminal equipment (DTE) and data circuit-terminating equipment (DCE) or parallel automatic calling equipment (ACE). It is applicable to voice band modems, public data network (PDN) facilities, telegraph signal converters, and automatic calling equipment where CCITT<sup>1)</sup> Recommendations V.24 and V.28 are applicable.

In the case of the PDN attachment through the X.20 interface, the functions of the interchange circuits are in accordance with CCITT Recommendation X.24.

In the case of the V.20 type outstation interface, the electrical characteristics are in accordance with CCITT Recommendation V.31 or V.31 bis.

International Standard ISO/IEC 2110 additionally provides the dimensions of the connector housing, as well as the recommended means of providing a locking device (latching block) and connector shielding.

## 2 Normative references

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

ISO 261 : 1973, *ISO general purpose metric screw threads — General plan.*

ISO 8480 : 1987, *Information processing — Data communication — DTE/DCE interface back-up control operation using the 25-pole connector.*

CCITT Recommendation S.16 : 1989, *Connection to the telex network of an automatic terminal using a V.24 [1] DCE/DTE interface.*

CCITT Recommendation V.19 : 1989, *Modems for parallel data transmission using telephone signalling frequencies.*

CCITT Recommendation V.20 : 1989, *Parallel data transmission modems standardized for universal use in the general switched telephone network.*

CCITT Recommendation V.21 : 1989, *300 bits per second duplex modem standardized for use in the general switched telephone network.*

CCITT Recommendation V.22 : 1989, *1 200 bits per second duplex modem standardized for use on the general switched telephone network and on point-to-point 2-wire leased telephone-type circuits.*

CCITT Recommendation V.22 bis : 1989, *2 400 bits per second duplex modem using the frequency division technique standardized for use on the general switched telephone network and on point-to-point 2-wire leased telephone-type circuits.*

CCITT Recommendation V.23 : 1989, *600/1 200-baud modem standardized for use in the general switched telephone network.*

CCITT Recommendation V.24 : 1989, *List of definitions for interchange circuits between data terminal equipment and data circuit-terminating equipment.*

CCITT Recommendation V.25 : 1989, *Automatic answering equipment and/or parallel automatic calling equipment on the general switched telephone network including disabling of echo control devices for both manually and automatically established calls.*

CCITT Recommendation V.25 bis : 1989, *Automatic calling and/or answering equipment on the general switched telephone network (GSTN) using the 100-series interchange circuits.*

CCITT Recommendation V.26 : 1989, *2 400 bits per second modem standardized for use on 4-wire leased telephone-type circuits.*

1) International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee.

CCITT Recommendation V.26 bis : 1989, 2 400/1 200 bits per second modem standardized for use in the general switched telephone network.

CCITT Recommendation V.26 ter : 1989, 2 400 bits per second duplex modem using the echo cancellation technique standardized for use on the general switched telephone network and on point-to-point 2-wire leased telephone-type circuits.

CCITT Recommendation V.27 : 1989, 4 800 bits per second modem with manual equalizer standardized for use on leased telephone-type circuits.

CCITT Recommendation V.27 bis : 1989, 4 800/2 400 bits per second modem with automatic equalizer standardized for use on leased telephone-type circuits.

CCITT Recommendation V.27 ter : 1989, 4 800/2 400 bits per second modem standardized for use in the general switched telephone network.

CCITT Recommendation V.28 : 1989, Electrical characteristics for unbalanced double-current interchange circuits.

CCITT Recommendation V.29 : 1989, 9 600 bits per second modem standardized for use on point-to-point 4-wire leased telephone-type circuits.

CCITT Recommendation V.31 : 1989, Electrical characteristics for single-current interchange circuits controlled by contact closure.

CCITT Recommendation V.31 bis : 1989, Electrical characteristics for single-current interchange circuits using optocouplers.

CCITT Recommendation V.32 : 1989, A family of two-wire, duplex modems operating at data signalling rates of up to 9 600 bit/s for use on the general switched telephone network and on leased telephone-type circuits.

CCITT Recommendation V.33 : 1989, 14 400 bits per second modem standardized for use on point-on-point 4-wire leased telephone-type circuits.

CCITT Recommendation X.20 : 1989, Interface between data terminal equipment (DTE) and data circuit-terminating equipment (DCE) for start-stop transmission services on public data networks.

CCITT Recommendation X.20 bis : 1989, Use on public data networks of data terminal equipment (DTE) which is designed for interfacing to asynchronous duplex V-series modems.

CCITT Recommendation X.21 bis : 1989, Use on public data networks of data terminal equipment (DTE) which is designed for interfacing to synchronous V-series modems.

CCITT Recommendation X.24 : 1989, List of definitions for interchange circuits between data terminal equipment (DTE) and data circuit-terminating equipment (DCE) on public data networks.

IEC Publication 50(581) : 1978, International Electrotechnical Vocabulary — Chapter 531: Electromechanical components for electronic equipment.

IEC Publication 807-2 : 1985, Rectangular connectors for frequencies below 3 MHz — Part 2: Detail specification for a range of connectors with round contacts — Fixed solder contact types.

### 3 Definitions

The following definitions have been taken from IEC Publication 50(581) : 1978.

**3.1 cable adaptor:** A part of a connector or an accessory consisting of a rigid housing for attachment to the connector body. It may incorporate provision for a cable clamp or seal for terminating screens and provide shielding from electrical interference. It may be straight or angled.

**3.2 connector housing:** A part of a connector into which the insert and contacts are assembled.

**3.3 contact arrangement:** The number, spacing and configuration of contacts in a component.

**3.4 female contact:** A contact intended to make electrical engagement on its inner surface and which will accept entry of a male contact.

**3.5 intermateable connectors:** Two connectors are intermateable when they are capable of being connected electrically and mechanically but without regard to their performance and intermountability.

**3.6 locking device:** A feature incorporated in certain components to provide mechanical retention of their mating parts.

**3.7 male contact:** A contact intended to make electrical engagement on its outer surface and which will enter a female contact.

**3.8 (n-pole-)connector:** A component which terminates conductors for the purpose of providing connection and disconnection to a suitable mating component.

### 4 Connector

A 25-pole connector shall be provided for the DTE/DCE interface. A separate 25-pole connector shall be provided for the parallel automatic calling equipment interface if the facility in accordance with CCITT Recommendation V.25 is used.

Figures 1 to 6 illustrate the 25-pole connector. Only those dimensions that are essential for mating are shown.

Figure 1 illustrates the DTE connector which has 25 male contacts in a connector housing. Figure 2 illustrates the DCE connector which has 25 female contacts in a connector housing. The connector housing on the DCE connector is dimensioned to fit inside the connector housing on the DTE connector (see figures 1 and 2). Contact numbering is specified in figures 1 and 2. Figure 3 illustrates the dimensions for the contact

spacing. Figures 4 and 5 illustrate the dimensions for the male and female contacts respectively.

The DCE connector may be equipped with a locking device consisting of two latching blocks as specified in figure 6. Due to the fact that the latching blocks have threaded holes which can act as nuts, the DTE connector may be equipped either with lever devices for latching to the latching blocks on the DCE connector or with screws that fit into the threaded holes in the latching blocks.

Latching blocks shall use either the 4-40 UNC thread or, if required by national regulations or mutual user agreement, M3 as specified in figure 6.

When procuring equipment internationally which will use this 25-pole connector, the user shall specify the thread type in accordance with national requirements.

Sufficient connector dimensions are provided in this International Standard to ensure intermateable connectors. They are consistent with the detailed connector specification in IEC Publication 807-2.

In annex A, diagrams for finger clearance areas are given to provide guidance for equipment designers. Figure A.1 shows the maximum DTE connector outline including all means for latching to the latching blocks. Figure A.2 shows the minimum DCE connector spacing when multiple interface arrangements are used.

## 5 Assignment of contact numbers

The assignment of contact numbers is given in table 1.

The list of the interchange circuits is given in table 2. Their provision and use shall be in conformity with the CCITT Recommendations, referred to in the headings of table 1.

## 6 Connector shielding

Connector shielding is optional. If it is used, for example due to national regulations, etc., it shall be accomplished by the use of metallic connector housings on both the DTE connector and the DCE connector.

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Table 1 — Assignment of contact numbers

Contact number	Interchange circuit numbers and remarks														Automatic calling <sup>10)</sup>
	Voice band serial modems <sup>11)</sup>					Public data network				Telegraph	Voice band parallel modems				
	A	B	C1 <sup>8)</sup>	C2 <sup>9)</sup>	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L		
	V.21, V.22, V.22 bis, V.26 ter, V.32, V.33	V.23 <sup>12)</sup>	V.26, V.26 bis, V.27, V.27 bis, V.27 ter, V.29	V.26, V.26 bis, V.27, V.27 bis, V.27 ter	X.20 bis, X.21 bis	X.20 <sup>7)</sup>	Telex Other	V.19, V.20(A) Instation	V.20(A) Outstation	V.20(B) Instation	V.20(B) Outstation	V.25 S.16			
1	1)	1)	1)	1)	1)	1)	1)	1)	1)	1)	1)	1)			
2	103	103	103	103	103	T	103	5)	192-A	5)	119-A	211			
3	104	104	104	104	104	R	104	A1 <sup>3)</sup>	A1 <sup>4)</sup>	A1 <sup>3)</sup>	A1 <sup>4)</sup>	205			
4	105	105	105	105	105	F	N	A2 <sup>3)</sup>	A2 <sup>4)</sup>	A2 <sup>3)</sup>	A2 <sup>4)</sup>	202			
5	106	106	106	106	106	F	106	A3 <sup>3)</sup>	A3 <sup>4)</sup>	A3 <sup>3)</sup>	A3 <sup>4)</sup>	210			
6	107	107	107	107	107	F	107	A4 <sup>3)</sup>	B1 <sup>4)</sup>	A4 <sup>3)</sup>	B1 <sup>4)</sup>	213			
7	102	102	102	102	102	G	102	131	B2 <sup>4)</sup>	131	B2 <sup>4)</sup>	201			
8	109	109	109	109	109	F	109	109	B3 <sup>4)</sup>	109	B3 <sup>4)</sup>	F			
9	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	C1 <sup>3)</sup>	C1 <sup>4)</sup>	C1 <sup>3)</sup>	C1 <sup>4)</sup>	N			
10	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	C2 <sup>3)</sup>	C2 <sup>4)</sup>	C2 <sup>3)</sup>	C2 <sup>4)</sup>	N			
11	126	N	N	N	F	N	N	C3 <sup>3)</sup>	C3 <sup>4)</sup>	C3 <sup>3)</sup>	C3 <sup>4)</sup>	F			
12	112	122	F	122	F	N	N	C4 <sup>3)</sup>	192-B	C4 <sup>3)</sup>	119-B	F			
13	F	121	F	121	F	N	N	B1 <sup>3)</sup>	4)	B1 <sup>3)</sup>	4)	204			
14	F	118	F	118	F	N	N	B2 <sup>3)</sup>	125-A	B2 <sup>3)</sup>	125-A	206			
15	114	2)	114	114	F	N	N	B3 <sup>3)</sup>	125-B	B3 <sup>3)</sup>	125-B	207			
16	F	119	F	119	F	N	N	B4 <sup>3)</sup>	105-A	B4 <sup>3)</sup>	105-A	208			
17	115	2)	115	115	F	N	N	191-A	105-B	118	105-B	209			
18	141	141	141	141	141	F	132	191-B	129-A	121	129-A	F			
19	F	120	F	120	F	F	F	130	129-B	120	129-B	F			
20	108*	108*	108*	108*	108*	F	108/2	105	119-A	105	122-A	F			
21	140	140	140	140	140	F	F	125	119-B	125	122-B	F			
22	125	125	125	125	125	F	125	108*	107-A	108*	107-A	203			
23	111	111	111	111	N	F	N	107	107-B	107	107-B	N			
24	113	N	113	113	F	F	N	102	108-A	102	108-A	N			
25	142	142	142	142	142	F	F	124	108-B	124	108-B	F			
Electrical characteristics	V.28	V.28	V.28	V.28	V.28	V.28	V.28	V.28 <sup>6)</sup>	V.31 <sup>6)</sup>	V.28	V.31 bis	V.28			

**Legend:** N — Contact permanently reserved for national use.

F — Contact reserved for future international standardization and should not be used for national use.

\* — Circuit 108/1 or circuit 108/2.

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### NOTES

1 Contact 1 is assigned for connecting the shields between tandem sections of shielded interface cable. The shield may be connected either to protective ground or to signal ground at either the DTE or DCE or both in accordance with national regulations.

Signal ground may be further connected to protective ground in accordance with national safety regulations. Caution should be exercised to avoid establishment of ground loops carrying high currents.

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2 Where signal element timing is provided in the DCE, contact 15 will be used for circuit 114, and contact 17 will be used for circuit 115.

3 Received data circuits 104 are designated A1 to A4, B1 to B4, and C1 to C4 corresponding to their relevant frequency.

4 Transmitted data circuits 103 are designated A1 to A3, B1 to B3, and C1 to C3 corresponding to their relevant frequency, and all use contact 13 as the common return according to V.31.

5 Contact 2 is reserved for national use. Where circuit 110 is provided in the DCE, it will use contact 2.

6 The electrical characteristics of circuits 191 and 192 are subject to specification within V.19 and V.20.

7 The functions of the interchange circuits are in accordance with X.24. This column refers only to X.20 type DTE with V.28 electrical characteristics since it may interconnect with an X.20/V.10 DCE.

8 Column C1 is for synchronous modems without a backward channel.

9 Column C2 is for synchronous modems with a backward channel.

10 This column does not apply to V.25 bis because in this case the information for call establishment is carried on circuit 103.

11 Where ISO 8480 is implemented, contact 14 is used for circuit 116/1 or 116/2 and contact 16 is used for circuit 117.

12 In applications (e.g. telematic services) where DCEs designed for asymmetrical duplex operation are used there are station A DCEs having only the transmitter of the data channel and the receiver of the backward channel and station B DCEs having only the receiver of the data channel and the transmitter of the backward channel. In these DCEs it is permissible to strap the interface circuits of the backward channel to the contacts of the data channel:

— in station A DCEs: circuit 119 to contact 3  
and circuit 122 to contact 8

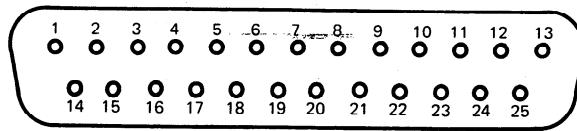
— in station B DCEs: circuit 118 to contact 2  
and circuit 121 to contact 5

Table 2 — List of interchange circuits

Circuit number	Description
102	Signal ground or common return
103	Transmitted data
104	Received data
105	Request to send
106	Ready for sending
107	Data set ready
108/1	Connect data set to line
108/2	Data terminal ready
109	Data channel received line signal detector
110	Data signal quality detector
111	Data signalling rate selector (DTE source)
112	Data signalling rate selector (DCE source)
113	Transmitter signal element timing (DTE source)
114	Transmitter signal element timing (DCE source)
115	Receiver signal element timing (DCE source)
116/1	Back-up switching in direct mode
116/2	Back-up switching in authorized mode
117	Standby indicator
118	Transmitted backward channel data
119	Received backward channel data
120	Transmit backward channel line signal
121	Backward channel ready
122	Backward channel received line signal detector
124	Select frequency groups
125	Calling indicator
126	Select transmit frequency
129	Request to receive
130	Transmit backward tone
131	Received character timing
132	Return to non-data mode
140	Loopback/Maintenance test
141	Local loopback
142	Test indicator
191	Transmitted voice answer
192	Received voice answer
201	Signal ground or common return
202	Call request
203	Data line occupied
204	Distant station connected
205	Abandon call
206	Digit signal (2 <sup>0</sup> )
207	Digit signal (2 <sup>1</sup> )
208	Digit signal (2 <sup>2</sup> )
209	Digit signal (2 <sup>3</sup> )
210	Present next digit
211	Digit present
213	Power indication
G	Signal ground or common return
T	Transmit
R	Receive



Dimensions in millimetres



DTE contact arrangement viewed from connector front (DCE side)

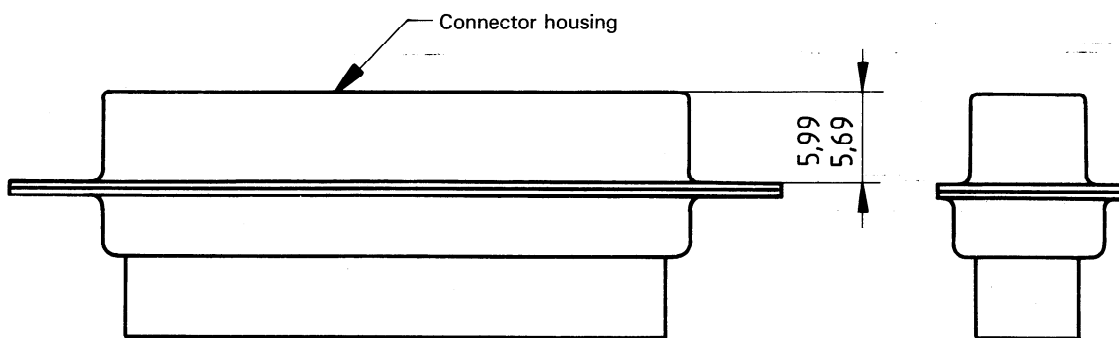
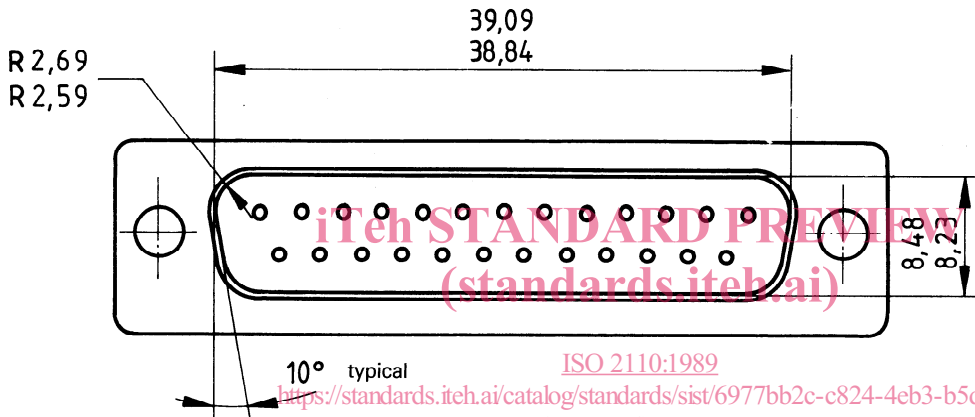


Figure 1 — DTE connector