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COAXIAL TO TWISTED PAIR
10BASE-T MEDIA ADAPTER**

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Cabletron Systems **CTP100T Coaxial to Twisted Pair 10BASE-T Media Adapter User's Manual**. This manual describes the CTP100T adapter and provides the information necessary to install, operate, and troubleshoot it. Also included is information concerning the application of the CTP100T adapter in a network environment.

In this manual, thin-net coaxial is also referred to as thin-net.

Read this manual thoroughly to gain a full understanding of the CTP100T adapter and its capabilities.

1.1 Who Should Use This Manual

This manual is for Cabletron Systems service personnel or other qualified service personnel who are familiar with the installation of network devices, and for system managers and others who perform system management tasks.

To install the CTP100T adapter, you should have a general working knowledge of Ethernet or IEEE 802.3 type data communications networks and their physical layer components.

1.2 Structure of This Manual

This manual is organized as follows:

Chapter 1, **Introduction**, provides guidelines about who should use this manual and install the CTP100T adapter, describes the CTP100T adapter and how to apply it in a network environment, provides a list of related user manuals, and provides information about obtaining additional support if needed.

Chapter 2, **Installation Requirements**, contains the network and hardware requirements to install the CTP100T adapter.

Chapter 3, **Installation**, describes how to install the CTP100T on a flat surface and connect it to a network.

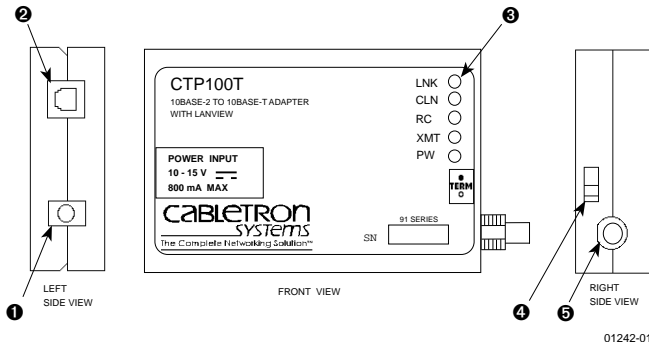
Chapter 4, **Testing and Troubleshooting**, describes the CTP100T adapter installation checkout procedure, and the LANVIEW LEDs and their function.

Appendix A, **Specifications**, provides the specifications for the CTP100T adapter.

1.3 An Overview of the CTP100T Adapter

The CTP100T adapter (Figure 1-1) is a combination of Cabletron Systems TPT and ST-500 transceivers that can convert an unshielded 10BASE-T twisted pair segment to a 10BASE-2 thin-net coaxial segment. This capability allows network designers to interconnect existing thin-net Ethernet devices into newly installed or existing twisted pair wiring schemes.

The CTP100T adapter also has the Cabletron Systems LANVIEW diagnostic system that monitors network activity and helps in quickly diagnosing physical layer problems.



- ❶ Power Receptacle
- ❷ RJ45 Port
- ❸ LANVIEW LEDs
- ❹ Termination Switch
- ❺ BNC Port

Figure 1-1. CTP100T Adapter

1.3.1 Connections

The CTP100T adapter has an RJ45 port and a BNC port. The twisted pair segment is connected to the CTP100T RJ45 port. The thin-net segment connects to the BNC port, either directly, if terminating the segment internally, or with a T-connector, if terminating the segment externally.

1.3.2 Distance and Cable Type

The CTP100T adapter supports an unshielded twisted pair (UTP) segment that meets 10BASE-T requirements as described in Chapter 2.

An IEEE 802.3, 10BASE-2 compliant thin-net segment of up to 100 meters (330 feet) long can be connected to the CTP100T adapter. This segment can support up to 10 nodes when using 50 ohm, RG-58A/U thin-net coaxial cable.

1.3.3 Receive and Transmit Functions

In the receive function, the CTP100T adapter receives data from the thin-net segment and routes it to the twisted pair segment. In the transmit function, the CTP100T adapter receives data from the twisted pair segment and routes it to the thin-net segment.

The receive function of the CTP100T adapter is disabled when data is either being transmitted on the thin-net segment or when a collision is detected on the thin-net segment. When a collision is detected, a jam signal is generated and sent out to the twisted pair segment.

1.3.4 Polarity Detection and Correction

The CTP100T adapter incorporates a Polarity Detection and Correction feature. This feature allows the CTP100T adapter to transmit and receive data on the twisted pair link regardless of the link polarity. If the polarity on the twisted pair link is reversed, the Link LED flashes to indicate this condition.

Note: *If this condition exists, the segment should be removed from the CTP100T adapter and the wiring corrected. This will prevent future problems in the event that the segment needs to be attached to a device without the Polarity Correction and Detection feature.*

1.3.5 LANVIEW LEDs

The CTP100T adapter has five LANVIEW LEDs that monitor network activity (link, collision present, receive, and transmit) and power status. These LEDs are described in Table 1-1. They serve as a useful tool to quickly diagnose physical layer problems.

Table 1-1. LANVIEW LEDs

LED	DESCRIPTION
LNK (green)	Link OK – On when a twisted pair link has been established between the CTP100T and the device at the other end of the twisted pair segment. This LED flashes when the polarity is reversed on the twisted pair segment receive link. Regardless of this condition, the CTP100T adapter passes the data on to the twisted pair segment receive link. However, the segment should be removed from the module and the wiring corrected to avoid future problems.
CLN (red)	Collision Present – On when there is a jabber condition. This LED flashes when a collision signal is detected.
RCV (yellow)	Receive – Flashes when the CTP100T is receiving a data packet from the thin-net segment and forwarding it to the twisted pair segment.
XMT (green)	Transmit – Flashes when a data packet is being transmitted on the thin-net segment.

Table 1-1. LANVIEW LEDs (Continued)

LED	DESCRIPTION
PWR (green)	Power – On when the transceiver is receiving power from the external wall transformer.

1.3.6 Application

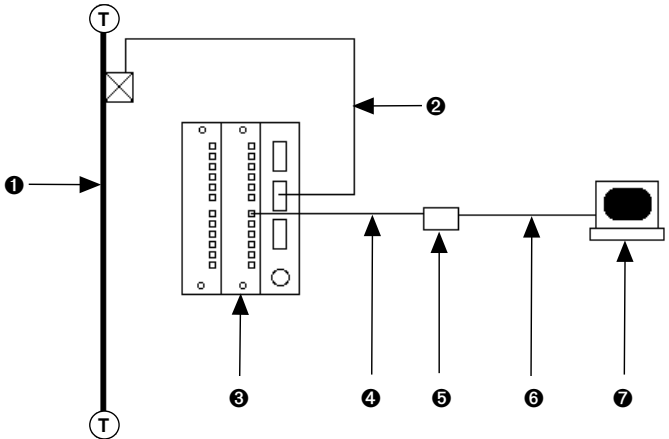
The CTP100T adapter can be used with any of Cabletron Systems 10BASE-T compliant products, such as the MMAC Twisted Pair Media Interface Modules (TPMIM 22/24/32/34), the MRXI, and the MiniMMAC. For information on these products, refer to the appropriate installation guides.

The CTP100T adapter may be used to connect a thin-net segment with up to 10 nodes to a 10BASE-T segment.

For example, a TPMIM 22/24/32/34, MRXI, or a MiniMMAC could be connected to an existing unused twisted pair cable. The cable could be part of the building distribution wiring running into a distribution closet and connected either directly or through a punchdown block to a Cabletron Systems hub.

Referring to Figure 1-2, assume that in this configuration a 10BASE-T twisted pair network is set up using the existing twisted pair cable ④ to eliminate the cost of pulling cables. The CTP100T adapter ⑤ is used to make the connection between the twisted pair cable and a thin-net coaxial segment ⑥, which can have up to 10 nodes ⑦. At the CTP100T adapter, the twisted pair cable is connected to the RJ45 port and the thin-net coaxial cable segment is connected to the BNC port.

This provides the ability to use an existing thin-net coaxial segment, or add a thin-net coaxial segment to an unshielded 10BASE-T twisted pair network in an area where shielded cabling may be needed.



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| ❶ Coaxial Backbone | ❷ Twisted Pair Wire |
| ❸ AUI Cable | ❸ CTP100T Adapter |
| ❹ MMAC-3 with TPMIM-22 | ❹ Coaxial Segment |
| | ❹ PC with Coaxial Interface |

Figure 1-2. Typical CTP100T Setup

1.4 Related User Manuals

Other Cabletron Systems manuals (not supplied with the CTP100T adapter) that can provide additional information related to the CTP100T adapter, include the following:

- *TPT-T 10-BASE-T Twisted Pair Transceiver User's Manual*
- *ST-500 Ethernet /IEEE 802.3 Transceiver With LANVIEW Installation Guide*
- *LAN-MD Ethernet Tester User's Manual*

1.5 Getting Help

If there is any additional support needed for the CTP100T adapter or if there are any questions, comments, or suggestions related to this manual, contact Cabletron Systems Technical Support:

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By CompuServe: GO CTRON from any ! prompt

By Internet mail: support@ctrn.com

CHAPTER 2

INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

This chapter lists the hardware and network requirements to install the CTP100T adapter on a network segment and the nodes to be attached to it.

Note: *These requirements along with the specifications described in Appendix A must be met to ensure satisfactory performance of the CTP100T adapter. Otherwise, unsatisfactory network performance may result.*

2.1 Network Design Guidelines

When connecting segments to the CTP100T adapter, the network requirements listed in Sections 2.1.1 and 2.1.2 must be met.

2.1.1 Twisted Pair Requirements

The twisted pair requirements are as follows:

Length - The IEEE 802.3 10BASE-T standard requires that 10BASE-T transceivers transmit over a 100 meter link using 24 AWG unshielded twisted pair wire. This standard specifies no maximum link length.

As a general rule, links up to 150 meters (492 feet) long are achievable for unshielded and shielded twisted pair cable. Shielded cable distances are shorter, dependent on signal loss measured in dB. For each connector or patch panel in the link, subtract 12 meters from the 150 meter limit. This allows for links of up to 126 meters using standard 24 AWG UTP wire and two patch panels within the link. Higher quality low attenuation cables may be required when using links of greater than 126 meters. The maximum link length is always limited to about 200 meters due to cable delay, regardless of the cable type.

Insertion Loss - The maximum insertion loss allowed for a 10BASE-T link is 11.5 dB at all frequencies between 5 and 10 MHz. This includes the attenuation of the cables, connectors, patch panels, and reflection losses due to impedance mismatches in the link segment.

Impedance - Unshielded twisted pair cables typically have an impedance from 85 to 110 ohms. Shielded cables, such as Type 1 cable, can also be used. Remember that the impedance of Type 1 cables is typically 150 ohms, as this increases the signal reflection caused by the cable. Since the cable is shielded, signal reflection has little effect on the quality of the received signal because of the lack of crosstalk between the shielded cable pairs. Cabletron Systems 10BASE-T Twisted Pair products will work on shielded twisted pair cable with 75 to 165 ohms impedance.

Jitter - Intersymbol interference and reflections can cause jitter in the bit cell timing, resulting in data errors. A 10BASE-T link must not generate more than 5.0 ns of jitter. If your cable meets the impedance requirements for a 10BASE-T link, jitter should not be a concern.

Delay - The maximum propagation delay of a 10BASE-T link segment must not exceed 1000 ns. This 1000-ns maximum delay limits the maximum link segment length to no greater than 200 meters.

Crosstalk - Crosstalk is caused by signal coupling between the different cable pairs contained within a multi-pair cable bundle. 10BASE-T transceivers are designed so that the user does not need to be concerned about cable crosstalk, provided the cable meets all 10BASE-T requirements.

Noise - Noise can be caused by either crosstalk or externally induced impulses. Impulse noise may cause data errors if the impulses occur at very specific times during data transmission. Generally, the user does not need to be concerned about noise. If noise related data errors are suspected, it may be necessary to either reroute the cable or eliminate the source of the impulse noise.

Temperature - Most multi-pair PVC 24 AWG twisted pair cables typically have an attenuation of approximately 8 to 10 dB/100 m (330 feet) at 20°C (68°F). The attenuation of PVC insulated cable varies significantly with temperature. At temperatures greater than 40°C (104°F), it is strongly recommended that you use plenum rated cables to ensure that cable attenuation remains within specification.

2.1.2 Coaxial Requirements

The coaxial requirements to use the CTP100T adapter are as follows:

- A 50-ohm RG-58 A/U type coaxial cable must be used when making up thin-net cable segments.
- The thin-net cable segment connected to the BNC port on the CTP100T adapter must be no longer than 100 meters (330 feet) in total length.
- The far end of the thin-net cable segment must have a 50 ohm terminator.
- A maximum of 10 nodes may be connected to a thin-net coaxial segment on the CTP100T adapter. These taps must be at least 0.5 meters (1.65 feet) apart.

Warning: *For safety, one and only one end of any thin-net segment should be connected to earth ground. Connection to earth ground at more than one point on the segment may allow for the occurrence of dangerous ground currents. The BNC port of the CTP100T is not internally connected to earth ground.*

- On a thin-net cable segment, the male end of the segment connects to the CTP100T adapter, either directly or via a T-connector. The BNC port has an external switch for selecting the termination. Place the switch in the ● position to terminate the adapter internally, or in the ○ position when terminating externally.

Note: *Both ends of a 10BASE-2 thin-net cable segment must have a 50-ohm termination for proper operation.*

CHAPTER 3

INSTALLATION

This chapter describes how to connect the CTP100T adapter to your network. Ensure that all the requirements and specifications outlined in Chapter 2 and Appendix A are met before installing the CTP100T adapter.

3.1 Unpacking

Before installing the CTP100T adapter, unpack and check the contents of the shipping box as follows:

1. Carefully remove the CTP100T adapter, a 12 Vdc 800 mA power supply, and a plastic accessory bag from the shipping box. Save the packing materials in case the unit needs to be reshipped.
2. Remove the CTP100T adapter from the packing material and its protective plastic bag. Set the unit aside to prevent it from being damaged.
3. Remove the 12 Vdc, 800 mA power supply from its box. Set the unit aside to prevent it from being damaged.
4. Check the plastic accessory bag for the following items:
 - One set of Velcro mounts
 - Two 6-inch tie wraps
 - Two cable mounts for strain relief

Contact Cabletron Systems Technical Support immediately if any discrepancies exist.

3.2 Installation

If the CTP100T adapter is going to be mounted on a flat surface, proceed to Section 3.2.1. Otherwise, proceed to Section 3.2.2 to install the CTP100T adapter.

3.2.1 Surface Mounting the CTP100T Adapter

Using the contents of the accessory package, you can surface mount the CTP100T adapter. The surface you choose should meet the following requirements:

- Allows easy access to connect the twisted pair segment to the adapter.
- Allows easy access to connect the coaxial segment to the adapter.
- Is within 6 feet of an appropriate power source such as a USA standard (NEMA) 3-prong outlet. The power source needed is dependent on the power supply shipped with the CTP100T adapter.
- Has a smooth, clean surface that accepts the adhesive bonding of the Velcro mount.

Mount the CTP100T adapter as follows:

1. Separate the two-part 1.5-inch by 3-inch Velcro mount.
2. Peel off the paper that covers the adhesive backing of one part of the mount.
3. Carefully position the Velcro on the back of the CTP100T adapter. Be sure to press firmly so that the adhesive firmly affixes to the unit.
4. Similarly, place the other half of Velcro on the surface on which you want to mount the CTP100T adapter.

5. Attach the CTP100T adapter to the Velcro mount.
6. Proceed to Section 3.2.2 to complete the CTP100T adapter installation.

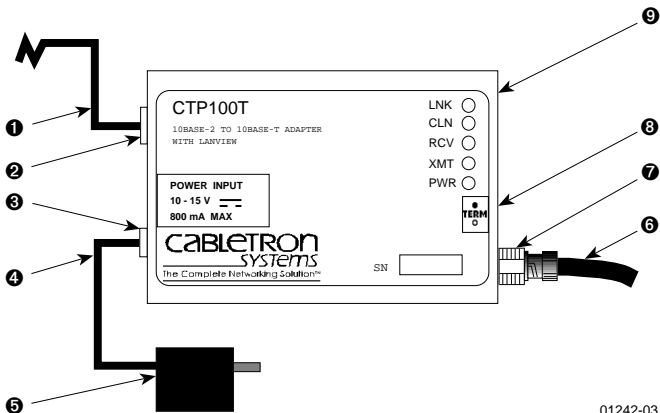
3.2.2 Connecting to the Network

If you have mounted the CTP100T adapter as described in Section 3.2.1, proceed to step 2 and note the Caution. Otherwise, proceed to step 1.

1. Select an installation site for the CTP100T adapter that is within 6 feet of a USA standard (NEMA) 3-prong outlet.

Caution: *Take care not to cut any network or telephone lines during installation. Failure to do so may result in interruption of data and/or telephone service.*

2. Refer to Figure 3-1. Connect the twisted pair cable ❶ to the CTP100T adapter ❸ by inserting the RJ45 connector into the RJ45 port ❷ on the side of the CTP100T adapter.
3. Attach the thin-net coaxial segment ❹ to the BNC port ❺ of the CTP100T adapter. Set the Internal Termination switch ❻ to the up (●) position to terminate the adapter internally, or the down (○) position to terminate the segment externally. Use a T-connector (not shown) when terminating the adapter externally. Ensure that the segment is terminated at both ends.



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| ❶ Twisted Pair Segment | ❹ Thin-net Segment |
| ❷ RJ45 Port | ❺ BNC Port |
| ❸ Power Receptacle | ❻ Termination Switch |
| ❹ Power Cord | ❼ CTP100T Adapter |
| ❺ Power Supply | |

Figure 3-1. Installation

- Plug the power cord ❹ into the power receptacle ❸ located on the side of the CTP100T adapter ❹.
- Plug the power supply ❺ into the wall outlet.

6. Check that the **PWR** LED of the CTP100T adapter ⑨ is on. This indicates that the unit is receiving power.

If the **PWR** LED is off, perform the following steps until it turns on:

- a. Ensure that the power supply ⑤ is plugged in.
 - b. Ensure that the power cord ④ is connected to the CTP100T adapter ⑨.
 - c. Ensure that the power outlet has power.
7. Check that the **LNK** LED on the CTP100T adapter is on. This indicates that the link has been made. If the **LNK** LED is off, perform the following steps until it turns on.
 - a. Ensure that the device attached to the twisted pair cable segment is powered up.
 - b. Disconnect the RJ45 connector from the RJ45 port ② of the CTP100T adapter ⑨.
 - c. Check that the RJ45 connector at each end of the twisted pair cable ① has the proper pinouts and that each connector is crimped properly.
 - d. Using a continuity checker, verify the end-to-end cable continuity at pins 1, 2, 3, and 6 for repeater devices such as the TPMIM 22/24/32/34, MiniMMAC, or MRXI.

If a device (such as a transceiver that is not internally cross-wired) is being used, verify the continuity between pins 1 and 3 and pins 2 and 6.

- e. Reconnect the RJ45 connector to the RJ45 port ②.

If a link has not been established, contact Cabletron Systems Technical Support.

8. Relieve the strain on all cable connections and the power cord connection using the cable ties shipped with the CTP100T adapter.

Before transmitting data through the CTP100T adapter, check the installation as described in Chapter 4, **Testing and Troubleshooting**, to ensure that the CTP100T adapter is properly connected to the network and that it is operating properly.

CHAPTER 4

TESTING AND TROUBLESHOOTING

This chapter contains procedures to check that the RJ45 adapter is properly connected to the network and is functioning properly.

Also provided in this chapter, are instructions for using Cabletron Systems LANVIEW LEDs to troubleshoot network problems in the physical layer.

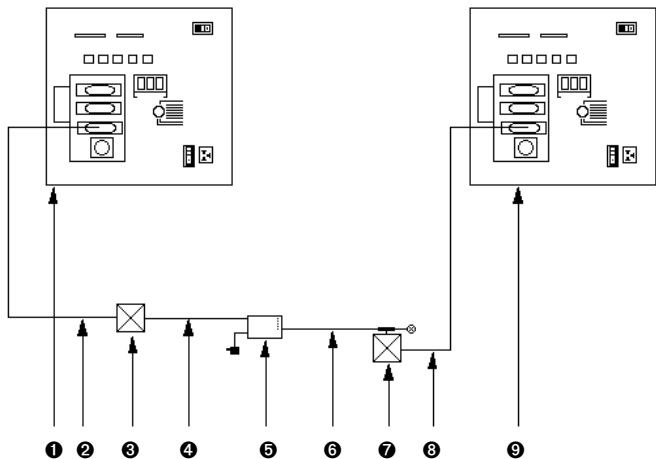
4.1 Installation Checkout

This section contains procedures to test the CTP100T adapter after it has been installed to ensure that the physical layer of the network is operating properly.

For the procedures in this section, you need two Ethernet node testers capable of generating valid data packets, such as Cabletron Systems LAN-MD, and a Cabletron Systems 10BASE-T Twisted Pair Transceiver, such as the TPT, TPT-T, or the TPT-4.

To test the CTP100T adapter, refer to Figure 4-1 and proceed as follows:

1. Connect a LAN-MD ❶ to a 10BASE-T twisted pair transceiver ❸ (such as a TPT), using an AUI cable ❷.
2. Connect the 10BASE-T twisted pair transceiver ❸ to a crossed over twisted pair segment ❹.
3. If it is not already attached, connect the twisted pair segment ❹ to the CTP100T adapter ❺.



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| ❶ LAN-MD | ❺ CTP100T Adapter |
| ❷ AUJ Cable | ❻ Thin-net Coax Segment |
| ❸ 10BASE-T Twisted Pair Segment (TPT) | ❼ Thin-net Coax Transceiver |
| ❹ Crossed Over Twisted Pair Segment | ❽ AUJ Cable |
| | ❾ LAN-MD |

Figure 4-1. Checkout Configuration

4. If you have not already attached a thin-net segment ⑥ to the BNC port of the CTP100T adapter ⑤, do so at this point. Use a T-connector and 50-ohm terminator to terminate the segment if you have set the termination switch in the down position (○) for external termination.
5. Using an AUI cable ⑧, connect another LAN-MD ⑨ to any transceiver ⑦ connected to the thin-net coaxial segment ⑥ off of the CTP100T adapter ⑤.
6. On the LAN-MD ① connected in Step 1, select **6 - SERVER**. This LAN-MD will now act as the **SERVER** unit. It will also act as a packet echoer when it is used with another LAN-MD.

Press the Start Test button. The test passes when the status display on the LAN-MD reads **000**, and the LAN-MD pass LED comes on.

7. On the LAN-MD ⑨ that was connected in step 5, select **4 - NODE** and press the Start Test button. Check that this test passes.

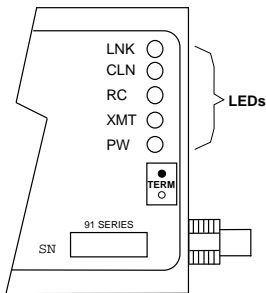
At least 100 packets should be sent and received with no errors. The packets will be received and sent back from the **SERVER** LAN-MD ① that was left running on the other end of the segment.

When the CTP100T adapter has successfully completed this test, the unit is ready for normal operation. If any failures were noted, please contact Cabletron Systems Technical Support.

4.2 Using LANVIEW

The CTP100T adapter uses Cabletron Systems built-in visual diagnostic and status monitoring system, LANVIEW. LANVIEW LEDs are more effective than a network monitor because networking personnel can quickly scan the LEDs to diagnose network problems and to determine which node or segment is faulty.

The following discusses the function and purpose of each CTP100T LANVIEW LED shown in Figure 4-2.



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Figure 4-2. LANVIEW LEDs

Link OK (LNK) LED

When this green LED is on, a link has been established between the CTP100T adapter and the device at the other end of the twisted pair segment. This LED remains on as long as the link is maintained.

If no data has been sent for 16 ms, a positive link test pulse of 100 ns is sent onto the transmit link of the twisted pair cable. The link pulses are received by the CTP100T adapter and checked to determine if they are occurring at the correct rate, polarity and pulse shape. If no pulses are received or the pulses are not correct, the transceiver enters the Link Fail State and the LED goes off. The CTP100T adapter will not receive or transmit data until the link is restored by receiving a correct link test pulse or a valid packet. If the polarity is reversed on the twisted pair segment receive link, the Link LED flashes, indicating that this condition exists. The segment should be removed from the module and the wiring corrected.

Receive (RCV) LED

This yellow LED flashes when the CTP100T adapter receives a data packet from the coaxial segment and transmits it on the twisted pair segment. The flash of the LED is pulse-stretched for viewing effect. The LED flashes when there is traffic on the segment, even if the data is not intended for the devices attached to the twisted pair segment on the other side of the CTP100T adapter.

Transmit (XMT) LED

This green LED flashes when a data packet is transmitted on the thin-net coaxial segment by the device connected to the CTP100T RJ45 port. The flash of the LED is pulse-stretched for viewing effect.

Collision Present (CLN) LED

This red LED flashes when the CTP100T adapter detects a collision condition. The frequency of the flashes may increase as network activity increases, since more collisions are likely to occur. The flash of the LED is pulse-stretched for viewing effect.

A solid light indicates a jabber condition.

Power (PWR) LED

When this green LED is on, the CTP100T adapter is receiving power from the external wall transformer.

APPENDIX A

SPECIFICATIONS

This appendix provides the specifications for the CTP100T adapter.

A.1 Interface Connectors

Twisted Pair Interface

Internal Transceiver: Cabletron Systems TPT 10BASE-T Twisted Pair Transceiver.

Connector Type: RJ45 Pinout Assignment (see Figure A-1).

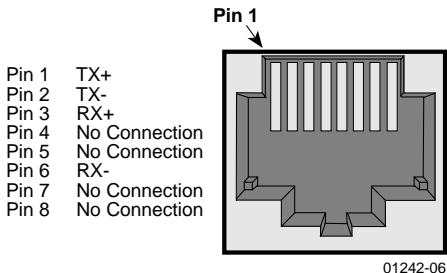


Figure A-1. RJ45 Port Pinout

BNC Interface

Internal Transceiver: Cabletron Systems ST-500 Transceiver.

Connector Type: BNC receptacle with gold contact for use with BNC type plugs and RG-58 A/U thin-net coaxial cable.

A termination switch on the CTP100T can be used to provide an internal 50-ohm termination at the BNC receptacle.

A.2 System Characteristics

Since the CTP100T does not retime data, the operational limits of the CTP100T may be determined by individual system jitter.

Some Ethernet products built before 1987 cannot operate when the jitter levels exceed 14 ns. Therefore, the CTP100T may not provide error free operation in all Ethernet environments.

A.3 Power Specifications

Depending on the CTP100T adapter order, one of the following power supplies is included in the shipment.

Power Supply (Domestic Version)

Input Voltage:	100 to 125 Vac, 60 Hz
Output Voltage:	+12 Vdc \pm 0.5Vdc
Output Current:	0.8 A to 1.0 A

Power Supply (VDE/European Version)

Input Voltage:	200 to 240 Vac, 50 Hz
Output Voltage:	+12 Vdc \pm 0.5Vdc
Output Current:	0.8 A

A.4 Environmental Specifications

Non-Operating Temperature:	-30°C (-22°F) to +80°C (+176°F)
Operating Temperature:	5°C (41°F) to 40°C (104°F)
Operation Humidity:	5% to 95% non-condensing

Safety

The CTP100T adapter meets the safety requirements of: UL1950, CSA C22.2 No. 950, EN60950, and IEC 950.

Emissions

The CTP100T adapter meets the emission requirements of: EN55022 Class A, FCC Part 15 Class A, and VCCI Class I.

Caution: *It is the responsibility of the person who sells the system that includes the CTP100T adapter to ensure that the total system complies with the allowable limits of conducted and radiated emissions.*

Immunity

The CTP100T adapter meets the immunity requirements of: EN50082-1, IEC 801-2, IEC 801-3, and IEC 801-4.

A.5 Service Specifications

MTBF (MHBK-217D):	greater than 4,257,336 hrs
MTTR:	less than 0.25 hr

A.6 Physical Specifications

CTP100T adapter

Height:	8.38 cm (3.3 in)
Width:	13.46 cm (5.3 in)
Depth:	2.28 cm (0.9 in)
Weight:	0.18 kg (0.4 lb)
Transformer weight:	0.39 kg (0.85 lb)
Shipping weight:	0.86 kg (1.9 lb)