

## **Piezotron<sup>®</sup> Coupler**

### **Piezoelectric Sensor Power Supply/Coupler**

A flexible, easy-to-use signal conditioner that provides excitation power, signal tailoring, and acts as an interface between voltage mode piezoelectric sensors and measuring instruments. Single channel unit powered by internal AA batteries or an AC/DC adaptor.

- Selectable gain and low-pass, plug-in filters
- High-pass filtering, panel selectable
- Monitor the condition of the sensors and cables
- Exclusive "Rapid Zero" feature
- AC, DC or battery powered
- Conforming to C€

#### Description

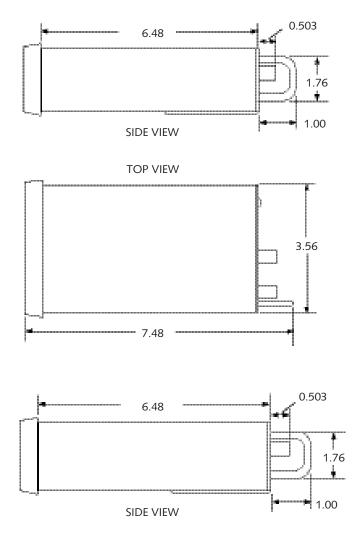
The signal conditioner provides the constant current excitation required by low impedance, voltage mode sensors with built-in electronics (i.e. Piezotron®, PiezoBeam®, K-Shear®, and Ceramic Shear) or for high impedance sensors with an external impedance converter. Sensor power is supplied by the same 2-wire cable that provides the low impedance output signal. Type 5118B2 decouples the DC bias voltage from the output signal and provides a 2 mA constant current source, which can also be factory adjusted from 2 ... 18 mA. Bias indicators display the condition of the sensor and cable. Amplifier gains of 1x, 10x and 100x are selectable from a front panel switch. High-pass filter cutoff frequencies (-3 dB) 0.006 and 0.03 Hz are also selectable by a switch on the front panel. Plug-in, low-pass filters are available to limit the frequency response of the amplifier. These low-pass filters can be used to attenuate unwanted frequency and/or to improve signal-to-noise ratio. Bias voltage is monitored and displayed with three front panel-mounted LEDs. Bias voltage ranging from 2 ... 21 V is normal and results in a green "OK" LED indication. Bias voltage below 2 V or above 21 V results in a red "LOW" or "HIGH" indicator. A "LOW" voltage signal generally indicates a short circuit in the cable or sensor, while a HIGH" voltage signal indicates the presence of an open circuit.

The Type 5118B2 Piezotron coupler transmits an audible low battery warning with an intermittent chirping sound. Battery life lasts approximately 12 hours at a sensor current of 2 mA. Coupler power can be provided from three sources: four AA 1.5 V batteries, AC-operated from a power line adaptor, or a regulated DC source from 6 ... 28 VDC. A unique "Rapid Zero" feature allows the coupler to be ready for taking measurements 2 seconds after powering. When changing gain or filter settings, Type 5118B2 is also ready to use in 2 seconds.

Type 5118B2



### Dimensions



Dimensions are shown in [in], unless otherwise noted.

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#### Application

Type 5118B2 is designed to provide excitation power and signal tailoring for low impedance, voltage mode piezoelectric pressure, force and acceleration sensors. Its small, portable size and rugged construction provides an excellent measurement tool for the laboratory or in the field.

#### **Technical Data**

Type Number		Unit	5118B2
Sensor supply	current	mA	2 (1)
Signal voltage		V	±5
Gain			1x, 10x, 100x
Bandwidth:			
High-pass (	switch selectable)		
Frequency		Hz	0.03, 0.006
	-5 %	Hz	0.10, 0.02
Time consta	ant	s	5, 25
Low-pass (no filter; @ +5 Vout):			
Gain 1x	–3 db	kHz	>100
	-5 %	kHz	>40
Gain 10x	–3 db	kHz	>100
	-5 %	kHz	>20
Gain 100x	–3 db	kHz	>30
	-5 %	kHz	>12
Noise (without low-pass filter):			
Gain	1x, 10x	mV <sub>rms</sub>	>2
	100x	mV <sub>rms</sub>	>5
Output impedance max.		Ω	100
Voltage swing max.		V	±10
Connectors in	Connectors input/output		BNC neg.
Connector power		type	2.1 x 5.5 mm,
			concentric
Internal battery (4 each)		type	1.5 V, AA,
			alkaline
Operating temperature range		°F	-5 125
(with alkaline batteries)			
Storage (without batteries)		°F	-20 140
External volta	ge source (2)	VDC	6 28
Weight		lb	1.1

 $^{(1)}$  Sensor current can be set at factory for any value within 2  $\dots$  18 mA

<sup>(2)</sup> Optional AC adaptor available upon request

1 g = 9.80665 m/s<sup>2</sup>, 1 in = 25.4 mm, 1 Gram = 0.03527 oz, 1 lbf-in = 0.113 N·m

#### Mounting

Type 5118B2 is a single-unit piezoelectric sensor power supply and signal conditioner housed in a extruded aluminum case. It is primarily intended for laboratory bench top use. For permanent installations, the unit can be panel mounted using optional adaptors.

#### Measuring Chain

Me	asure	Connect	Amplify	Output	Analyze
				8••€	Hand A
	8XXX npedance	Type 1761B 10-32 pos. BNC pos.	Type 5118B2 Power supply/signal conditioner	Type 1511 BNC pos. BNC pos.	not supplied

# Optional AccessoriesType• Power adaptor, 120 VAC, 60 Hz / 5752>230 VAC, 50 Hz / 22 VAC

- 230 VAC, 50 Hz -12 V • Low-pass filter, cut-off frequency; in 5326A
- Hz (10, 20, 50, 100, 200 or 500) • Low-pass filter, cut-off frequency; in Hz (10, 20, 50, 100, 200 or 500) 5327A...
- High-pass filter, cut-off frequency; in Hz 5324A (1, 10, 100)
- Panel mounting kit 5702
- Power cable (6 ft) with mating plug to 704-2068-001 pigtails

#### Ordering Key

	Туре 5118В	
Measuring Range		T
Power supply coupler	2	μ

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