# 6168A 4Wire-to-4Wire or 4Wire-to-2Wire DX-to-E\&M Terminal Repeater with Loopback 

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## 1. general description

1.01 The 6168A 4Wire-to-4Wire or 4Wire-to2Wire DX-to-E\&M Terminal Repeater module with Loopback (figure 1) provides both active transmission interface and bidirectional signaling conversion between a 4wire facility that uses duplex (DX) signaling, which is extended-range E\&M signaling via $D X$ signaling leads, and a 4 wire or 2 wire trunk or line that uses conventional E\&M signaling. Unlike ordinary DX modules, the 6168A contains circuitry that eliminates the need for a conventional resistive and capacitive DX balance network. In addition, the 6168A contains transmission and signaling loopback circuitry to facilitate local or remote testing of the module and the facility. A switch option on the 6168A excludes its DX-to-E\&M signaling-conversion circuitry from the circuit, thereby allowing the 6168A to function as a data station termination (DST) module rather than as a signaling unit. As a member of Tellabs' 262 Network Channel Terminating Equipment/Data Station Termination (NCTE/ DST) System of modules and enclosures, the 6168A fulfills Registered Facility Interface Codes TC11E, TC11M, TC12E, TC12M, TL11E, TL11M, TL12E, TL12M when optioned for 4wire-to-2wire operation and Registered Facility Interface Codes TC31E, TC31M, TC32E, TC32M, TL31E, TL31M, TL32E, and TL32M when optioned for 4wire-to4 wire operation in applications where the serving telephone company uses facility-side DX signaling.
1.02 In the event that this practice section is revised or reissued, the reason for revision or reissue will be stated in this paragraph.
1.03 The 6168A module offers the following transmission features and options:

- Switch-selectable 4wire or 2wire terminal-side interface, with an integral electronic hybrid providing 4 wire-to-2wire conversion when 2 wire terminal interface is selected.
- From 0 to 24 dB of prescription-set gain or loss, in switch-selectable 0.1 dB increments, in both the transmit and receive channels.
- Active prescription slope-type or bump-type amplitude equalization, equivalent to that pro-

figure 1. 6168A 4Wire-to-4 Wire or 4Wire-to-2Wire DX-to-E\&M Terminal Repeater module with Loopback
vided by the Western Electric (WECO) 309B Prescription Equalizer, in both the transmit and receive channels.
- Equalizer-bypass option switches for both channels.
- Transformer coupling at all ports in either the 4 wire-to-4wire or 4 wire-to-2wire mode.
- Isolation transformers that are center-tapped to derive balanced simplex (SX) leads at both facility-side ports (receive input and transmit output).
- Independently switch-selectable 1200, 600, or 150 -ohm terminating impedance at both facilityside ports.
- Switch-selectable 900 or 600 -ohm terminating impedance in series with $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ at the 2 wire terminal-side port when 2 wire interface is selected.
- Integral compromise balance network (CBN) when 2 wire interface is selected. This CBN provides either 900 or 600 -ohm impedance (depending upon 2 wire port optioning) in series with $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$.
- Fixed, balanced 600 -ohm terminating impedance at both terminal-side ports (receive output and transmit input) when 4 wire interface is selected.
- Six front-panel bantam-type test jacks: both opening and monitoring (bridging) jacks at the two input ports and opening jacks at the two output ports.
- Lightning surge protection at both facility-side transmission ports.
- Reverse-battery and power-cross protection, transient-limiting circuitry, and RC (resistancecapacitance) filtering and decoupling networks to minimize crosstalk coupling and the effects of noise on the input power leads.
- Operation on filtered, ground-referenced -45 to -52 Vdc input power with current requirements of 85 mA typical at idle (at -52 Vdc ).
- Type 10 module for mounting in a variety of Tellabs Type 10 Mounting Shelves, which are available in versions for relay-rack (occupying 6 inches of vertical rack space) and apparatus-case installation. The module can also be mounted in one position of a Tellabs 262-series NCTE/DST Mounting Assembly.
1.04 The 6168A module offers the following signaling features and options:
- Maximum DX signaling range of 5000 ohms.
- No DX balance network to align; optimum DX signaling performance is provided in any application up to the unit's maximum signaling range.
- Facility-side simplex-lead reversal switch.
- Switch-selectable DX1 or DX2 operation.
- Switch-selectable Type I, II, or III (Type III with DX1 only) E\&M interface.
- M-lead current limiting.
- Switch-selectable exclusion of DX-to-E\&M signaling circuitry for use of module as a 4 wire-to4wire or 4 wire-to-2wire DST unit.
- Front-panel LED's that light to indicate DX-toE\&M busy (fac busy), E\&M-to-DX busy (term busy), power on, and loopback.
1.05 Loopback features and options of the 6168A include the following:
- Ability to perform transmission testing on the module and facility from a local or remote location.
- Ability to test the module's DX-to-E\&M signaling converter circuitry and E-lead/M-lead signaling relay from a local or remote location.
- Manual (local) loopback activation via either of two methods: switch option or a connection between the external manual loopback lead and the input power ground lead.
- Two-tone (remote) loopback with 2713 Hz tone activation and a choice of deactivation methods: a second 2713 Hz tone or automatic deactivation after a switch-selectable 4-minute or 20 -minute interval.
- From 0 to 24 dB of loopback-path loss or from 0 to 24 dB of loopback-path gain, in switch-selectable 0.1 dB increments, for true equal-level loopback.
- Switch-selectable terminal-side busy-out during loopback.


## 2. application

2.01 The 6168A 4Wire-to-4Wire or 4Wire-to2Wire DX-to-E\&M Terminal Repeater module with Loopback is used to terminate a DX signaling facility to an E\&M tie trunk. The 6168A module combines the functions of a 4 wire line amplifier, a DX-toE\&M signaling converter, and either a 4wire-to-2wire hybrid terminating set or a 4wire pad/transformer module. No external interface circuitry is required because the 6168A is a complete DX signaling and terminating circuit, less power, on a single Type 10 card. Thus, the module provides not only bidirectional signaling conversion but also active transmission interface (impedance matching, level control, amplitude equalization, and optional 4wire-to-2wire conversion) between the 4 wire DX facility and the 4wire or 2wire E\&M trunk or line. As an alternative to DX-to-E\&M signaling-unit operation, the 6168A can be switch-optioned to function as a data station termination (DST) module, in which case the module's signaling circuitry is excluded from the circuit (see paragraph 2.18). Integral transmission and signaling loopback circuitry permits testing of both the 6168A and the facility from a local or remote location.
2.02 The 6168A is well suited to a variety of 4 wire-to-4wire and 4wire-to-2wire DX-to-E\&M applications, both network-terminating and otherwise. Figures 2 and 3 show two typical network-terminating tie-trunk applications of the 6168A.

## 2wire terminal interface and balance network

2.03 When optioned for 2wire terminal interface, the 6168A interfaces the local 2wire E\&M trunk or line via its integral electronic hybrid terminating set. This hybrid provides balanced, switch-selectable 900 or 600 -ohm terminating impedance (in series with $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ) at the 2 wire port. The 900 -ohm option is selected for interface with loaded cable (or with a switched network involving both loaded and nonloaded cable). The 600 -ohm option is selected for interface with nonloaded cable or station equipment.
2.04 To ensure that adequate hybrid balance (i.e., enough transhybrid loss) is provided, an integral compromise balance network (CBN) is connected to the hybrid's balance port (opposite the hybrid's 2wire port) whenever the module is optioned for 2wire terminal interface. This CBN provides either 900 or 600 -ohm impedance (depending upon the terminating impedance selected at the 2 wire port) in series with $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ of capacitance.

## 4wire terminal interface

2.05 When optioned for 4wire terminal interface, the 6168A interfaces the local 4wire E\&M trunk or line via transformers that provide fixed, balanced 600-ohm terminating impedance at the 4wire transmit input and the 4 wire receive output ports.

figure 2. Typical short-haul tie-trunk circuit using 6168A module

figure 3. Typical long-haul tie-trunk circuit using 6168A module
(The module must be optioned for 600 ohms when 4 wire terminal interface is selected; the 900 -ohm option is not available.)

## facility (4wire) interface

2.06 On its facility side, the 6168A interfaces the 4wire DX signaling facility via transformers at the 4 wire transmit output and the 4wire receive input ports and via prescription amplifiers in the transmit and receive paths (see paragraph 2.08). Each facility-side transformer provides balanced, switchselectable 1200,600 , or 150 -ohm terminating impedance. The 1200 -ohm option is used for interface with loaded cable; the 600 -ohm option, for interface with nonloaded cable or carrier; and the 150 -ohm option, to provide a small amount of slopetype amplitude equalization for long sections of nonloaded cable through the deliberate impedance mismatch.
2.07 Both facility-side transformers are centertapped to derive simplex (SX) leads, by which the DX signaling path is extended toward the facility. Connection of these SX leads to the module's integral DX unit is controlled by an option switch that selects either a normal or reverse arrangement (see the 6168A block diagram, section 5 of this practice). In the normal arrangement, the signaling lead of the 6168A's DX unit is connected to the transmit output SX pinout (pin 43), and the reference lead of the DX unit is connected to the receive input SX pinout (pin 9). In the reverse arrangement, the DX unit's signaling lead is connected to the receive input SX pinout, and the DX unit's reference lead is connected to the transmit output SX pinout. The normal/reverse option is provided to accommodate signaling-lead reversals at other points in the circuit. Please be aware that
these normal and reverse designations are not consistent throughout the industry. What is "normal" on the 6168A may be "reverse" on another DX module. Therefore, to ensure proper end-to-end DX signaling operation, the modules at the two ends of a DX circuit must be optioned so that the signaling drivers of both modules are on one SX (dc) pair and so that the reference drivers of both modules are on the other SX (dc) pair. This means that, if two 6168A's are used on a circuit, one would be optioned for normal and the other for reverse.

## level control

2.08 Prescription-set transmit and receive amplifiers allow the 6168A to interface the DX signaling facility directly, i.e., without a separate line amplifier. Both amplifiers provide from 0 to 24 dB of gain or 0 to 24 dB of loss in switch-selectable 0.1 dB increments. Total gain or loss introduced into a channel is the sum of that channel's front-panel level switches set to IN.

## receive- and transmit-channel amplitude equalization

2.09 Active prescription amplitude equalization functionally equivalent to that provided by the Western Electric 309B Prescription Equalizer is available in the receive and transmit channels of the 6168A for post- (receive) and pre- (transmit) equalization of the 4 wire facility-side pairs. These equalizers provide low-end slope equalization down to 404 Hz and high-end bump equalization centered at 3250 Hz for loaded or nonloaded cable, as selected via switch option. Degree of slope, height of bump, and affected bandwidth are also controlled by option switches on the module. If no equalization is required, the equalizers can be electrically bypassed by means of additional switch options.

figure 4. Typical response curves for receive and transmit equalizers in slope mode, nonloaded cable

figure 5. Typical response curves for receive and transmit equalizers in slope mode, loaded cable

| SLOPE switch <br> setting | NL switch setting |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | OUT (loaded) | NL (nonioaded) |
| 0 (slope disabled) | 0.0 dB | 0.0 dB |
| 1 | 1.4 | 0.4 |
| 2 | 2.6 | 0.9 |
| 3 | 3.7 | 1.4 |
| 4 | 4.7 | 1.8 |
| 5 | 5.5 | 2.3 |
| 6 | 6.3 | 2.8 |
| 7 | 7.2 | 3.4 |
| 8 | 7.8 | 3.7 |
| 9 | 8.4 | 4.2 |
| 10 | 9.0 | 4.6 |
| 11 | 9.5 | 5.0 |
| 12 | 10.0 | 5.4 |
| 13 | 10.5 | 5.8 |
| 14 | 11.0 | 6.2 |
| 15 | 11.4 | 6.6 |

table 1. Equalized gain (in dB ) at 1004 Hz in slope mode
2.10 Figures 4 and 5 show typical response curves for the 309B-equivalent equalizer in the slope mode. Figure 4 shows the curves for nonloaded cable, while figure 5 shows the curves for loaded cable. For comparison purposes, all frequencyresponse curves in both figures are drawn with the same OdB-gain reference point ( 1004 Hz ). Actually, all of these curves except those for a SLOPE switch
setting of $O$ are raised above the OdB level at 1004 Hz by as much as 11.4 dB . The exact amount by which a particular curve is raised depends upon the SLOPE and NL (nonloaded/loaded) switch settings selected. These amounts are listed in table 1.
2.11 Figures 6 and 7 show typical response curves for the 309B-equivalent equalizer in the bump mode. Figure 6 shows the curves representing various height settings versus a wide bandwidth setting, while figure 7 shows the curves representing various height settings versus a narrow bandwidth setting. For comparison purposes, all frequencyresponse curves in both figures are drawn with the same OdB-gain reference point ( 1004 Hz ). Actually, all of these curves except those for a height $(H T)$ switch setting of 1 or 0 and/or for a bandwidth ( $B W$ ) switch setting of 5 or less are raised above the OdB level by as much as 3.9 dB . The exact amount by which a particular curve is raised depends upon the

figure 6. Typical response curves for receive and transmit equalizers in bump mode, BW switch $=14$

figure 7. Typical response curves for receive and transmit equalizers in bump mode, BW switch $=3$

| HT switch setting* | BW switch setting** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 2 | 0.0 dB | 0.0dB | 0.0 dB | 0.0 dB | 0.0 dB | 0.0 dB | 0.0 dB | 0.1 dB | 0.1 dB | 0.2 dB |
| 3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 |
| 4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| 5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.5 |
| 6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| 7 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.9 |
| 8 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 1.2 |
| 9 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.8 | 1.5 |
| 10 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 1.0 | 1.7 |
| 11 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 2.0 |
| 12 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 1.4 | 2.4 |
| 13 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 2.8 |
| 14 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 2.0 | 3.3 |
| 15 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 2.5 | 3.9 |

* An HT switch setting of 0 disables the bump function. An $H T$ switch setting of 1 introduces 0.1 dB of gain or less at 1004 Hz .
** A BW switch setting of 0 through 5 introduces 0.1 dB of gain or less for all $H T$ switch settings.
table 2. Equalized gain (in dB ) at 1004 Hz in bump mode
$H T$ and $B W$ switch settings selected. These amounts are listed in table 2.


## DX signaling loop limits

2.12 For proper DX signaling operation, total resistance of the DX signaling loop between the 6168A and the DX unit at the distant facility-side location must not exceed 5000 ohms. Total DX signaling loop resistance in 4 wire DX applications equals one-half of the loop resistance of the receive input pair plus one-half of the loop resistance of the transmit output pair. Total DX signaling loop resistance in 2 wire DX applications equals one-half of the sum of the resistance of the 2 wire DX pair and the resistance of the distant-end DX unit (when properly aligned).

## DX balance

2.13 The 6168A contains circuitry that eliminates the need for the typical resistive and capacitive balance network of conventional DX modules. The module's DX unit provides optimum signaling performance in any application up to its 5000 -ohm limit without the need for balance-network alignment.

## DX1/DX2 signaling

2.14 The 6168A can be switch-optioned for a DX1 or DX2 signaling arrangement. This option eliminates the need for a pulse-link repeater in tandem applications of DX units and in applications where the module interfaces a carrier channel. In DX1 operation, M-lead signals are incoming to and E-lead signals are outgoing from the module on the terminal (E\&M) side. In DX2 operation, E-lead signals are incoming to and M -lead signals are outgoing from the module on the terminal (E\&M) side. Selection of DX1 or DX2 operation therefore depends upon the E\&M signaling arrangement of the associated terminal equipment. If the terminal equipment provides M -lead outputs and receives E lead inputs, the 6168A is optioned for DX1 operation. If the terminal equipment provides E-lead outputs and receives M-lead inputs, the 6168A is optioned for DX2 operation.

## E\&M signaling interfaces

2.15 The 6168A can be switch-optioned to derive either a Type I (single-lead) or a Type II or III (looped-signaling-lead) E\&M interface. The Type I and Type II interfaces can be used with either DX1 or DX2 signaling. The Type III interface can be used with DX1 signaling only. Figures 8 through 10 show the connections required for Type I, II, and III E\&M interfaces with DX1 and DX2 signaling and indicate the Registered Facility Interface Codes (if applicable) that each signaling arrangement fulfills. Table 3 summarizes these codes and the DX1/DX2 signaling and E\&M interface options required for each.
2.16 With Type I interface, incoming and outgoing signaling each consist of the presence of either ground, battery, or an open condition on the E\&M leads. With Type II interface, incoming and outgoing signaling consist of contact closures between the M lead and the MB/SB (M-lead-battery or signalbattery) lead and the E lead and the EG/SG (E-leadground or signal-ground) lead. The Type III interface is a compromise: a partially looped format essentially identical to the Type I interface except that battery and ground for M-lead signaling are supplied via the SB and SG leads. Type II E\&M-lead interfacing permits direct interconnection of trunk circuits or signaling units without intermediate signaling-lead conversion (which is required with Type I and Type III E\&M-lead interfacing).
2.17 The 6168A uses relay contacts to derive E -lead and M -lead signaling, thereby allowing interface with nonstandard E -lead and M -lead voltage levels and polarities. When the module is used to derive a Type II interface, terminal-side equipment can use any convenient voltage or polarity.

## optional DST operation

2.18 As an alternative to DX-to-E\&M signaling operation, the 6168A can be switch-optioned to function as a DST module. In this mode of operation, the module's DX-to-E\&M signaling circuitry is electrically excluded from the circuit, leaving only

figure 8. Type I E\&M interface arrangements

figure 9. Type // E\&M interface arrangements

figure 10. DX1 signaling, Type III E\&M interface arrangement

| Registered Facility Interface Code | E\&M interface | DX signaling arrangement* | 6168A signaling directions |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Elead | M lead |
| TL31M or TC31M (4W) TL11M or TC11M (2W) | Type I | DX1 | out | in |
| TL31E or TC31E (4W) TL11E or TC11E (2W) | Type I | DX2 | in | out |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { TL32M or TC32M }(4 \mathrm{~W}) \\ & \text { TL12M or TC12M }(2 \mathrm{~W}) \end{aligned}$ | Type II | DX1 | out | in |
| TL32E or TC32E (4W) $\text { TL12E or TC } 12 \mathrm{E}(2 \mathrm{~W})$ | Type II | DX2 | in | out |
| not applicable | Type III | DX1 | out | in |
| * DX1 signaling is used when the associated E\&M terminal equipment provides $M$-lead outputs and receives E-lead inputs. DX2 signaling is used when the associated E\&M terminal equipment provides E-lead outputs and receives M-lead inputs. |  |  |  |  |

table 3. E\&M interface and signaling options for Registered Facility Interface Codes fulfilled by 6168A
the level-control, amplitude-equalization, impedancematching, and loopback circuitry operational. Also, the facility-side SX leads are connected together (except during loopback) to serve as a return path for sealing current applied from the distant end of the facility. The DST-operation option can be selected with either 4wire or 2wire terminal interface in effect.

## power

2.19 The 6168A operates on filtered, groundreferenced input potentials between -45 and -52 Vdc . The positive side of the dc power supply should be connected to earth ground. Maximum current required (at -52 Vdc ) is 120 mA unless the 6168A's loopback option is activated, in which case an additional 30 mA is required.

## loopback

2.20 Overview. Integral facility-side transmission and signaling loopback circuitry in the 6168A allows local or remote testing of both the module and the facility. This loopback circuitry can be activated either manually (locally) or via 2713 Hz tone (remote two-tone loopback). A prescription loopback-levelcontrol circuit introduces from 0 to 24 dB of loss or from 0 to 24 dB of gain into the loopback path in switch-selectable 0.1 dB increments to provide true equal-level transmission loopback. In addition, a switch option conditions the 6168A to busy out its terminal side during loopback (see paragraph 2.24). Figure 11 shows, in simplified form, the transmission and signaling loopback paths through the module. A front-panel lpbk LED lights whenever the module is in the loopback mode.
2.21 Transmission loopback in the 6168A module establishes a transmission path from the 4wire receive input port to a point on the receive path after the level-control and equalization circuitry (see the block diagram later in this practice), thence through the loopback-level-control stage to a point on the transmit path before the level-control and equalization circuitry, and finally to the 4wire transmit output port. The loopback-level-control stage (LOOPBACK LEVEL block on the block diagram) provides for true equal-level loopback, if desired.
2.22 Signaling loopback allows the 6168A's DX-to-E\&M signaling converter circuitry and the E\&M signaling relay to be tested in any of the five possible E\&M operating modes: Type I, II, or III interface with DX1 signaling or Type I or II interface with DX2 signaling. With the DST option selected, the SX path and the TEK5 and TEK6 leads are opened during loopback.
2.23 If the 6168A's signaling converter circuitry and E-lead/M-lead signaling relay are operational, the module repeats all signaling states that it receives by responding with the appropriate $D X$ loop-current changes.
2.24 The 6168A's terminal-side busy-out switch option, when selected, busies out the customer's E\&M trunk circuit or line circuit whenever loopback is activated. This prevents inadvertent seizure of the trunk circuit or line circuit during loopback. Without this option, calls could be lost if, for example, a trunk in a hunt group were placed into loopback.

figure 11. Loopback route through 6168A module

### 2.25 Local (Manual) Loopback Activation and

 Deactivation. Two methods of local loopback activation are available:- Setting the ML position of the module's loopback DIP switch (S100) toward ML.
- Connecting the module's EXT MNLB (external manual loopback) lead (pin 18) to input power ground (pin 17).
With either of these methods of activation, loopback is maintained until the $M L$ switch is set away from ML or until the EXT MNLB-ground connection is removed.


### 2.26 Remote (Two-Tone) Loopback Activation

 and Deactivation. Remote (two-tone) loopback is enabled via switch option and activated by placing a 2713 Hz tone on the 4 wire receive input pair (pins 7 and 13) of the 6168A for at least 2.5 seconds and then removing the tone. Because loopback is activated only upon removal of the tone, the accidental looping of other than the intended module is prevented. The threshold of the loopback tone-detection circuit is -30 dBm as measured at the module's 4 wire receive input port. The loopback tone detector's center frequency is 2713 Hz , and its maximum bandwidth is $\pm 37 \mathrm{~Hz}$. A 12 dB signal-toguard ratio prevents either raw data signals or harmonics of those signals from initiating loopback, thus allowing the 6168A to operate in circuits where similar units might be prone to false loopback. Remote loopback is deactivated when the unit detects a second 2713 Hz tone at least 1.2 seconds in duration; removal of this tone is not necessary to deactivate loopback. With remote (two-tone) loopback enabled, another switch option either enables automatic loopback deactivation after a selected timeout interval or disables automatic deactivation for second-tone deactivation only. With automatic deactivation enabled, an additional switch option selects the desired timeout interval: 4 minutes or 20 minutes. With either timeout interval selected, toneactivated loopback can be deactivated prior to expiration of the interval by transmitting a second 2713 Hz tone.
## 3. installation

## inspection

3.01 The 6168A 4Wire-to-4Wire or 4Wire-to2Wire DX-to-E\&M Terminal Repeater module with Loopback should be visually inspected upon arrival to find any damage incurred during shipment. If damage is noted, a claim should be filed immediately with the carrier. If stored, the module should be visually inspected again prior to installation.

## mounting

3.02 The 6168A mounts in one position of a Tellabs Type 10 Mounting Shelf or in one position of a Tellabs 262 -series NCTE/DST Mounting Assembly. Type 10 Shelves are available in versions for relayrack and apparatus-case installation, while 262

Assemblies are available in versions for relay-rack, wall or desktop, and floor mounting. The 6168A module plugs physically and electrically into a 56pin connector at the rear of its shelf or assembly position.
3.03 In applications where a 6168A module is to be installed in a 262 Assembly, no external connections to the module need be made. This is because all of the assembly's internal connections are factory-prewired and because external wiring is simplified through the use of 25 -pair connector-ended cables arranged in accordance with Universal Service Order Code (USOC) RJ2HX. If the customer's terminal equipment is cabled in accordance with USOC RJ2HX, direct connection between the assembly and the customer's equipment is possible. If not, cross-connections between the assembly and the local terminal equipment must be made at an intermediate connectorized terminal block or by means of a special adapter cable available as a list number for selected assemblies.

## installer connections

3.04 When a 6168A module is to be installed in a conventional Type 10 Shelf or in an unwired apparatus case or mounting assembly, external connections to the module must be made. Before making any connections to the mounting shelf, case, or assembly, ensure that power is off and modules are removed. Modules should be put into place only after they are properly optioned and after wiring is completed.
3.05 Table 4 lists external connections to the 6168A module. All connections to non-prewired mountings are made via wire-wrapping to the 56pin connector at the rear of the module's shelf, case, or assembly position. Pin numbers are found on the body of the connector.

| connect: | to pin: |
| :---: | :---: |
| 4WIRE RCV IN TIP |  |
| 4WIRE RCV IN RING | 13 |
| 4WIRE XMT OUT TIP | 41 |
| 4WIRE XMT OUT RING | 7 |
| 4WIRE RCV OUT TIP*. | 5 |
| 4WIRE RCV OUT RING* | 15 |
| 4WIRE XMT IN TIP or 2WIRE TIP | 55 |
| 4WIRE XMT IN RING or 2WIRE RING. | 49 |
| 4WIRE RCV IN SX (simplex, facility side) |  |
| 4WIRE XMT OUT SX (simplex, facility side) |  |
| E lead/TEK 6. | 23 |
| M lead/TEK 5 | 21 |
| SB (signal battery)** |  |
| SG (signal ground)**.. |  |
| EXT MNLB (external manual loopback) |  |
| -BATT (-45 to -52 Vdc filtered input) | 35 |
| GND (ground). |  |
| * Not used when module is optioned for 2wire terminal interface. <br> ** Mandatory for Type II and III E\&M interfaces only. |  |

table 4. External connections to 6168A

## option selection

3.06 Several option switches must be set before the 6168A can be placed into service. Locations of these switches and of certain alignment switches on the module's printed circuit board are shown in figure 12. Table 5 summarizes all switch options and provides a convenient checklist that can be filled out either prior to installation for prescription optioning or during installation to serve as a record for later reference. Refer to figure 12 and table 5, and set each option switch on the 6168A as required.
Note: The four signaling switches (S12, S13, S14, and S26) on the module's main board should be set as required before power is applied to the module.


Note: Switch numbers on baby board may not be visible.
figure 12. 6168A option switch locations

## alignment overview

3.07 Alignment of the 6168A comprises the following procedures (all option switches should already be properly set as described above):
A. Setting the receive-channel level.
B. Introducing receive-channel equalization, if necessary.
C. Setting the transmit-channel level.
D. Introducing transmit-channel equalization, if necessary.
E. Adjusting the loopback-path level.

## prescription alignment

3.08 Prescription alignment of the 6168A module involves setting all level-control and equalization switches in accordance with specifications on the circuit layout record (CLR) before plugging the module into its position. Table 6 in this practice summarizes all alignment switches on the 6168A and provides a convenient checklist for prescription alignment. To use this table, simply indicate all required alignment-switch settings in the checklist
column. Then, at installation time, align the 6168A by setting each switch as indicated in the table (or on the CLR, if preferred).

## equipment required for non-prescription alignment

3.09 In applications where prescription alignment settings are unavailable, non-prescription alignment of the 6168A is necessary. Access to the appropriate ports of the module is conveniently provided via six front-panel bantam jacks. Equipment required for non-prescription alignment consists of a transmission measuring set (TMS), preferably one with independent transmit and receive impedance settings.

## mandatory pre-alignment procedure for non-prescription alignment

3.10 Before beginning non-prescription alignment, do the following:
A. Ensure that all option switches (see table 5), especially those that select terminating impedances and 4 wire or 2 wire terminal interface, are properly set. Also ensure that the module is not in loopback.
B. Set the front-panel receive and transmit levelcontrol DIP switches for no gain or loss.
C. Set to OUT the IN/OUT position of the babyboard receive and transmit SLOPE equalization switches (S21 and S24, respectively) for no equalization.
D. Set the baby-board loopback-level-control DIP switch (S30) for no gain or loss.

## non-prescription alignment

3.11 Align the 6168A as directed in the nonprescription alignment procedure, figure 13 of this practice.
Note 1: The procedure in figure 13 is based on the assumption that certain required local input and output levels are available from circuit records. If this is not the case, some steps may have to be modified to include end-to-end measurements.
Note 2: During alignment, always ensure that the receive portion of the TMS is arranged for properly terminated measurement where appropriate. If the TMS has independent transmit and receive impedance settings, also ensure that the proper TMS transmit impedance is selected when inserting test tone.

## 4. circuit description

4.01 This circuit description is intended to familiarize you with the 6168A 4Wire-to-4Wire or 4Wire-to-2Wire DX-to-E\&M Terminal Repeater module with Loopback for engineering and application purposes only. Attempts to test or troubleshoot this module internally are not recommended and may void its Tellabs warranty. Procedures for recommended testing or troubleshooting in the field should be limited to those prescribed in section 7 of this practice. Reference to the 6168A block diagram (section 5 of this practice) will aid in understanding the circuit description.

| option | switch | selection | setting | checklist |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| terminating impedance, 4 wire receive input port (facility side) | 150/1200 and 600/1200 positions of S10 on baby board | 1200 ohms (for loaded cable) | 150/1200 switch toward 1200, 600/1200 switch toward 1200 |  |
|  |  | 600 ohms (for nonloaded cable or carrier) | 150/1200 switch toward 1200, 600/1200 switch toward 600 |  |
|  |  | 150 ohms (extra equalization for nonloaded cable) | 150/1200 switch toward 150, 600/1200 switch toward 1200 |  |
| terminating impedance, 4wire transmit output port (facility side) | 150/1200 and 600/1200 positions of S11 on baby board | 1200 ohms (for loaded cable) | both 150/1200 <br> switches toward 1200, both 600/1200 switches toward 1200 |  |
|  |  | 600 ohms (for nonloaded cable or carrier) | both 150/1200 <br> switches toward 1200, both 600/1200 switches toward 600 |  |
|  |  | 150 ohms (extra equalization for nonloaded cable) | both 150/1200 <br> switches toward 150, both 600/1200 switches toward 1200 |  |
| 2wire or 4wire terminalside interface* | $2 W / 4 W$ and $4 W / 2 W$ positions of S10 on baby board | 2wire interface | all positions toward 2W |  |
|  |  | 4wire interface | all positions toward 4W |  |
| terminating impedance, 2wire port (with 2 wire terminal-side interface selected) | 600/900 positions of S11 on baby board | 900 ohms plus $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | all 600/900 positions toward 900 |  |
|  |  | 600 ohms plus $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | all 600/900 positions toward 600 |  |
| terminating impedance, 4 wire rev out and 4wire xmt in ports (with 4wire terminal-side interface selected) | 600/900 positions of S11 on baby board | 600 ohms only ( 900 -ohm option cannot be used with 4 wire terminal interface) | all 600/900 positions toward 600 |  |

Note: The next four switches (S12, S13, S14, and S26) select the module's signaling options and should be set as required before power is applied to the module.

| Type I, Type II, or Type III E\&M interface | S12 on main board | Type I interface | I/III |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Type II interface | II |  |
|  |  | Type III interface (available only with DX1 operation) | I/III |  |
| DX1 or DX2 operation** | S13 on main board | DX1 operation | DX1 |  |
|  |  | DX2 operation | DX2 |  |
| normal or reverse facility-side simplex leads*** | S14 on main board | normal SX leads | NORM |  |
|  |  | reverse SX leads | REV |  |
| operation as DX-to-E\&M signaling unit or as data station termination (DST) unit | S26 on main board | DX-to-E\&M operation | DX |  |
|  |  | DST operation (DX-to-E\&M signaling circuitry excluded, and facilityside SX leads connected together) | DST |  |

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| option | switch | selection | setting | checklist |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| busying out of module's terminal side (E\&M leads) during loopback $\dagger$ | BO position of S 100 (LPBK DIP switch) on baby board | busy out | toward BO |  |
|  |  | no busy out | away from BO |  |
| manual loopback activate/deactivate | ML position of S100 (LPBK DIP switch) on baby board | manual loopback activated | toward ML |  |
|  |  | manual loopback deactivated | away from ML |  |
| tone loopback enable/ disable $\dagger \dagger$ | TL position of S100 (LPBK DIP switch) on baby board | tone loopback enabled | toward TL |  |
|  |  | tone loopback disabled (for manual loopback only) | away from TL |  |
| tone-loopback timeout enable/disable (with tone loopback enabled) $\dagger \dagger$ | TO position of S100 (LPBK DIP switch) on baby board | tone-loopback timeout enabled (see selection below for duration) | toward TO |  |
|  |  | tone-loopback timeout disabled (for second-tone deactivation only) | away from TO |  |
| tone-loopback timeout duration (with toneloopback timeout enabled) $\dagger \dagger$ | 4/20 position of S100 (LPBK DIP switch) on baby board | 4 minutes | toward 4 |  |
|  |  | 20 minutes | toward 20 |  |
| * The module's integral CBN is inserted into the circuit whenever 2 wire interface is selected. This CBN provides either 900 or 600 ohms (in series with $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ), depending upon 2 wire-port optioning. <br> ** In DX1 operation, the 6168A receives M-lead signals and sends E-lead signals on the terminal side. In DX2 operation, the 6168A receives E-lead signals and sends $M$-lead signals on the terminal side. <br> *** Continuity of the DX leads must be maintained between the local and distant DX units, i.e., the signaling and reference (balancing) leads of one DX unit must be connected to the respective leads of the other DX unit. See paragraph 2.07 and the block diagram in this practice for complete information on setting switch S14. <br> $\dagger$ Busying out the module's terminal side (E\&M leads) during loopback prevents inadvertent seizure of the associated trunk circuit or line circuit. <br> $\dagger \dagger$ With tone loopback disabled, both the TO and 4/20 positions of S100 (LPBK DIP switch) are nonfunctional. With tone loopback enabled but tone-loopback timeout disabled, the $4 / 20$ position of $S 100$ is nonfunctional. |  |  |  |  |

table 5. Summary and checklist of 6168A switch options

| alignment function | switch | selection | setting | checklist |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| selection of receive-channel flat gain or loss | GN and LS positions of front-panel rcv level DIP switch | gain | GN to IN, LS to OUT |  |
|  |  | loss | GN to OUT, LS to IN |  |
| amount of receive-channel gain or loss, as selected above* | dB-value positions of front-panel rcv ievel DIP switch* | 0.1 dB | . 1 to IN |  |
|  |  | 0.2 dB | . 2 to IN |  |
|  |  | 0.4 dB | . 4 to IN |  |
|  |  | 0.8 dB | . 8 to IN |  |
|  |  | 1.5 dB | 1.5 to IN |  |
|  |  | 3.0 dB | 3 to IN |  |
|  |  | 6.0 dB | 6 to IN |  |
|  |  | 12.0 dB | 12 to IN |  |
| inclusion or bypass (exclusion) of receivechannel equalizer | IN/OUT position of DIP switch $S 21$ on baby board | equalizer included in circuit | IN |  |
|  |  | equalizer bypassed (excluded) | OUT |  |
| introductión of receive-channel 309B-equivalent equalization (continued on next page) | SLOPE NL position of DIP switch S21 on baby board | nonloaded cable | toward NL |  |
|  |  | loaded cable | away from NL |  |
|  | SLOPE 1, 2, 4, 8 positions of DIP switch S21 on baby board** | degree of slope | SLOPE 1 to 1 |  |
|  |  |  | SLOPE 2 to 2 |  |
|  |  |  | SLOPE 4 to 4 |  |
|  |  |  | SLOPE 8 to 8 |  |

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| alignment function | switch | selection | setting | checklist |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| introduction of receive-channel 309B-equivalent equalization (continued) | HT 1, 2, 4, 8 positions of DIP switch S22 on baby board** | height of bump | HT 1 to 1 |  |
|  |  |  | HT 2 to 2 |  |
|  |  |  | HT 4 to 4 |  |
|  |  |  | HT 8 to 8 |  |
|  | BW 1, 2, 4, 8 positions of DIP switch S22 on baby board** | affected bandwidth | BW 1 to 1 |  |
|  |  |  | BW 2 to 2 |  |
|  |  |  | BW 4 to 4 |  |
|  |  |  | BW 8 to 8 |  |
| selection of transmit-channel flat gain or loss | GN and $L S$ positions of front-panel xmt level DIP switch | gain | GN to IN, LS to OUT |  |
|  |  | loss | $\begin{aligned} & \text { GN to OUT, } \\ & \text { LS to IN } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| amount of transmit-channel gain or loss, as selected above* | dB-value positions of front-panel xmt level DIP switch* | 0.1 dB | . 1 to IN |  |
|  |  | 0.2 dB | . 2 to IN |  |
|  |  | 0.4 dB | . 4 to IN |  |
|  |  | 0.8 dB | . 8 to IN |  |
|  |  | 1.5 dB | 1.5 to IN |  |
|  |  | 3.0 dB | 3 to IN |  |
|  |  | 6.0 dB | 6 to IN |  |
|  |  | 12.0dB | 12 to IN |  |
| inclusion or bypass (exclusion) of transmitchannel equalizer | IN/OUT position of DIP switch S24 on baby board | equalizer included in circuit | IN |  |
|  |  | equalizer bypassed (excluded) | OUT |  |
| introduction of transmit-channel 309B-equivalent equalization | SLOPE NL position of DIP switch S24 on baby board | nonloaded cable | toward NL |  |
|  |  | loaded cable | away from NL |  |
|  | SLOPE 1, 2, 4, 8 positions of DIP switch S24 on baby board** | degree of slope | SLOPE 1 to 1 |  |
|  |  |  | SLOPE 2 to 2 |  |
|  |  |  | SLOPE 4 to 4 |  |
|  |  |  | SLOPE 8 to 8 |  |
|  | HT 1, 2, 4, 8 positions of DIP switch S25 on baby board** | height of bump | HT 1 to 1 |  |
|  |  |  | HT 2 to 2 |  |
|  |  |  | HT 4 to 4 |  |
|  |  |  | HT 8 to 8 |  |
|  | BW 1, 2, 4, 8 positions of DIP switch S25 on baby board** | affected bandwidth | BW 1 to 1 |  |
|  |  |  | BW 2 to 2 |  |
|  |  |  | BW 4 to 4 |  |
|  |  |  | BW 8 to 8 |  |
| selection of loopback-path gain or loss | GN and $L S$ positions of gain/loss (dB) DIP switch (S30) on baby board | gain | GN to IN, LS to OUT |  |
|  |  | loss | GN to OUT, LS to IN |  |
| amount of loopback-path gain or loss, as selected above* | dB-value positions of gain/loss (dB) DIP switch (S30) on baby board* | 0.1 dB | . 1 to IN |  |
|  |  | 0.2 dB | . 2 to IN |  |
|  |  | 0.4 dB | . 4 to IN |  |
|  |  | 0.8 dB | . 8 to IN |  |
|  |  | 1.5 dB | 1.5 to IN |  |
|  |  | 3.0 dB | 3 to IN |  |
|  |  | 6.0 dB | 6 to IN |  |
|  |  | 12.0 dB | 12 to IN |  |
| * The eight dB-value positions of the front-panel rcv level and $x m t$ level DIP switches are cumulative, as are the eight dBvalue positions of the loopback-level gain/loss ( $d B$ ) DIP switch ( $S 30$ ) on the baby board. Total gain or loss introduced is the sum of those dB -value positions set to $I \mathrm{~N}$. <br> ** The $1,2,4$, and 8 positions of the SLOPE, HT, and BW receive and transmit equalization DIP switches on the baby board are cumulative. These switch positions may be set in any combination as required. |  |  |  |  |


figure 13. Non-prescription alignment procedure for 6168 A

## 4wire receive section

4.02 A transformer at the 4wire receive input port interfaces the transmission facility and derives tip, ring, and simplex leads. The transformer's secondary windings are coupled to a switch-selectable 1200,600 , or 150 -ohm impedance matching circuit.
4.03 Lightning protection is provided at both facility-side ports. Prescription receive level circuitry for level coordination is connected to a slope/ bump-type equalizer that is functionally equivalent to the Western Electric 309B Prescription Equalizer and that can be electrically bypassed via switch option. The output of the equalizer is connected to a driver that drives either the transformer-coupled 4 wire receive output port or the integral electronic hybrid.

## 4wire transmit section

4.04 Signals from either the integral electronic hybrid or the secondary windings of the transformer interfacing the 4 wire transmit input port are coupled to prescription transmit level circuitry for level coordination and then to a 309B-equivalent prescription amplitude equalizer, which is identical to the receive equalizer and can likewise be electrically bypassed via switch option. Switch-selectable 1200, 600 , or 150 -ohm impedance matching circuitry is provided at the 4 wire transmit output port. A transformer at the 4wire transmit output port interfaces the transmission facility and derives the tip, ring, and simplex leads.

## 2wire/4wire section

4.05 The 6168A provides a switch-selectable 2wire or 4wire terminal-side interface. With 2 wire interface selected, a switch-selectable 900 or 600ohm impedance matching circuit in series with $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ is available. With 4wire interface selected, however, only the 600 -ohm option is available. An electronic hybrid provides the 4wire-to-2wire (facility to terminal) conversion. An integral compromise balance network (CBN) connected to the hybrid maximizes transhybrid loss by simulating the 900 or 600 -ohm terminal-side (2wire) terminating impedance in series with $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$.

## DX signaling

4.06 Both ends of a DX signaling circuit are balanced symmetrical circuits connected by two metallic conductors. One lead in the DX signaling path carries supervisory and pulsing signals consisting of combinations of local ground and battery. Differences in ground or battery potentials between each end of the DX signaling circuit create nonsupervisory currents in this signaling lead. The second lead in the DX circuit acts as a reference for these differences in end-office potentials. The DX signaling unit is arranged so that the unbalance created in the second lead is equal and opposite to that created in the first lead. The current in the second lead cancels the effect of these unwanted potential differences in the first lead, thus compensating for ground-potential or battery-supply varia-
tions. Additionally, the circuit is balanced against longitudinal ac line voltages and currents.
4.07 The 6168A, deriving local signaling from currents transmitted over derived metallic simplex leads, connects the signaling to the $D X$ bridge circuit, a balanced bridge-type detector that senses differential voltage changes. The input signal is then passed to associated circuitry that eliminates the need for a conventional resistive and capacitive DX balance network. This input signal is directly coupled to an integral dial-pulse compensator. The compensator introduces a slight delay so that the 6168A ignores spurious signals. Also, to minimize dial-pulse distortion, the compensator adjusts for nonsymmetrical switching of the E\&M signaling relay, which provides the local E-lead output (in the DX1 mode) or the local M-lead output (in the DX2 mode). The E\&M signaling relay is operated during busy and not operated during idle. Resistor-capacitor contact protection is provided for the relay contacts. Front-panel fac busy and term busy LED's provide a visible indication of the status of the 6168A's E\&M signaling interface.
4.08 At the local end of the DX signaling path, the E\&M signaling interface circuit determines the state of the local $M$ lead (DX1 mode) or $E$ lead (DX2 mode). These local signals are converted to outgoing DX signals via the $D X$ driver circuitry.
4.09 With either 4wire-to-4wire or 4wire-to-2wire operation, the 6168A can, by switch option, function as a DST (transmission-only) module instead of as a DX-to-E\&M signaling converter.

## loopback

4.10 Both transmission loopback (with either the $D X$ or $D S T$ switch option) and signaling loopback (with only the DX switch option) are activated when the $L B$ relay operates. This relay is controlled by the loopback detector and control circuit, which operates the relay when any of the following happens:
A. A 2713 Hz tone of correct level and duration is detected in the receive path.
B. The external manual loopback lead (pin 18) is grounded.
C. The $M L$ position of the $\angle P B K$ switch (S100) is closed.
In case A (tone loopback), loopback can be deactivated by either a 2713 Hz tone or by automatic timeout circuitry. In case $B$, if the external manual loopback lead is grounded, the ground must be removed to deactivate loopback. In case $C$, if the ML position of the LPBK switch (S100) is closed, it must be opened again to deactivate loopback.
4.11 When the module is in loopback, the LB relay contacts disconnect the hybrid or the 4 wire terminal-side ports from the 6168A circuitry and connect the output of the receive path to the input of the transmit path. Signaling loopback is such that DX signals received at the module are echoed back
onto the facility. A front-panel lpbk LED lights to indicate that loopback is in effect.

## power supply

4.12 The power supply in the 6168A is a seriesregulated bipolar supply that uses a zener diode to derive a reference source. A diode in series with the negative input lead protects against reversed voltage connections. A front-panel pwr LED lights to indicate that power has been applied.

## 6. specifications

transmission
overload points
transmit path: +8.0 dBm
receive path: +8.0 dBm
transmission gain or loss, xmt and rcv channels 0 to 24 dB of gain or 0 to 24 dB of loss in switchselectable 0.1 dB increments, with gain or loss selected via switch option
insertion loss, xmt and rcv channels
( 600 -ohm termination at all ports)
$0 \pm 0.2 \mathrm{~dB}$ at 1004 Hz with all level-control switches set for no gain or loss
amplitude equalization, xmt and rcv channels active prescription slope or bump-type equalization for nonloaded or loaded cable, functionally equivalent to that provided by the WECo 309B Prescription Equalizer. Each channel's equalizer can be electrically bypassed (excluded) via switch option.
terminating impedances, facility-side ports
(4wire rcv in, 4 wire xmt out)
1200, 600, or 150 ohms, balanced, individually switch-selectable at each port
terminating impedances, terminal-side port(s) (4wire xmt in and 4 wire rcv out, or 2 wire)
4wire terminal interface: 600 ohms, fixed, balanced at each port ( 900 -ohm option not available with 4 wire terminal interface)
2wire terminal interface: 900 or 600 ohms in series with $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$, balanced, switch-selectable
frequency response, with 4 wire terminal interface and no equalization (xmt and rcv)
$-0.5,+0.2 \mathrm{~dB}, 200$ to 300 Hz , re 1004 Hz
$-0.4,+0.3 \mathrm{~dB}, 300$ to 3400 Hz , re 1004 Hz
frequency response, with 2 wire terminal interface and no equalization (xmt and rcv)
$-2.0,+0.0 \mathrm{~dB}, 200$ to 300 Hz , re 1004 Hz
$-0.5,+0.25 \mathrm{~dB}, 300$ to 3000 Hz , re 1004 Hz
$-1.25,+0.0 \mathrm{~dB}, 3000$ to 3400 Hz , re 1004 Hz
integral compromise balance network (CBN), with 2 wire terminal interface
900 or 600 ohms in series with $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$, depending upon terminating impedance selected at 2wire port
total harmonic distortion, all ports
less than $1 \%$ at overload points
internal noise, xmt and rcv channels
17 dBrnC maximum at maximum gain
longitudinal balance (facility side)
greater than 60dB, 200 to 3400 Hz
longitudinal balance (terminal side)
greater than 60dB, 200 to $\mathbf{4 0 0 0 H z}$

4 wire echo return loss
greater than 23 dB vs. $\mathbf{6 0 0}$ or $\mathbf{1 2 0 0}$ ohms
2 wire echo return loss
greater than 23dB vs. 600 or 900 ohms in series
with $2.15 \mu \mathrm{~F}$
intrinsic transhybrid loss
greater than 30dB
peak-to-average ratio (P/AR)
98 minimum, without equalization
crosstalk loss between xmt and rcv channels
(4wire mode)
75 dB minimum, 300 to 3200 Hz
crosstalk loss between adjacent modules in shelf
$\mathbf{7 5 d B}$ minimum, $\mathbf{3 0 0}$ to $\mathbf{3 2 0 0 H z}$
DX signaling
DX loop resistance
5000 ohms maximum
dial-pulsing rate accepted
7.5 to 12.0pps
dial-pulse distortion
4 percent maximum

## E\&M signaling, DX1 mode

## E-lead current rating

500mA maximum (resistor-capacitor contact
protection provided)
E-lead resistance
less than 0.5 ohm
M-lead sensitivity
will detect 500 ohms external M-lead resistance from -48Vdc; will not detect -BATT through 20 kilohms

## E\&M signaling, DX2 mode

M-lead current rating
500mA maximum (resistor-capacitor protection provided)
M-lead current from battery (Type I E\&M interface only) 100mA with less than 5 V drop; current limiting above 200 mA

E-lead sensitivity will detect 500 ohms external E-lead resistance to ground; will not detect GND through 20 kilohms

## loopback specifications

tone-loopback frequency
module will loop back at $2713 \pm \mathbf{7 H z}$; module will not loop back outside of $\mathbf{2 7 1 3} \pm \mathbf{3 7} \mathbf{H z}$
tone-loopback activation/deactivation level range
$-\mathbf{3 0}$ to $-\mathbf{3 d B m}$
tone-loopback signal-to-guard ratio
$12 \pm 6 \mathrm{~dB}$
tone-loopback operating times
initiate: must initiate after $\mathbf{2 . 5}$-second or longer application of tone, with loopback after removal of tone; must not initiate for tone application of less than 1.5 seconds
tone release: must release after second application of tone for 1.2 seconds or longer, with release during tone; must not release for second tone application of less than 0.6 second
automatic release: $\mathbf{2 0}$ minutes $\pm 60$ seconds or 4 minutes $+45,-15$ seconds, as selected via switch option

local (manual) loopback
activation: option switch on module or connection between EXT MNLB lead (pin 18) and input power ground (pin 17)
deactivation: option switch on module or removal of EXT MNLB-ground connection
loopback-path gain or loss
0 to 24 dB of gain or O to 24 dB of loss in switchselectable 0.1 dB increments, with gain or loss selected via switch option
loopback-path insertion loss
$\pm 0.4 \mathrm{~dB}$ maximum

## power requirements

input power requirements
voltage: -45 to -52 Vdc , filtered, positive-groundreferenced
current: 85 mA at idle (at -52 Vdc ), 120 mA at busy (at -52 Vdc ), with an additional 30 mA required during loopback
dc earth potential difference
greater than $\pm 45 \mathrm{Vdc}$
ac induction
greater than 35Vrms
physical
operating environment
$32^{\circ}$ to $122^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\left(0^{\circ}\right.$ to $50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ),
humidity to $95 \%$ (no condensation)
dimensions
5.58 inches ( 14.17 cm ) high
1.42 inches ( 3.61 cm ) wide
5.96 inches ( 15.14 cm ) deep
weight
13.5 ounces ( $\mathbf{3 8 3}$ grams)
mounting
relay rack or apparatus case via one position of a
Tellabs Type 10 Mounting Shelf. Can also be
mounted in one position of a Tellabs 262 NCTE/DST Mounting Assembly.

## 7. testing and troubleshooting

7.01 The troubleshooting guide in this section may be used to assist in the installation, testing, or troubleshooting of the 6168A 4Wire-to-4Wire or 4Wire-to-2Wire DX-to-E\&M Terminal Repeater module with Loopback. The guide is intended as an aid in the localization of trouble to a specific module. If a module is suspected of being defective, a new one should be substituted and the test conducted again. If the substitute module operates correctly, the original module should be considered defective and returned to Tellabs for repair or replacement. We strongly recommend that no internal (componentlevel) testing or repairs be attempted. Unauthorized testing or repairs may void the module's warranty. Also, if the module is part of a registered system, unauthorized repairs will result in noncompliance with Part 68 of the FCC Rules and Regulations.

Note: Warranty service does not include removal of permanent customer markings on the front panels of Tellabs modules, although an attempt will be made to do so. If a module must be marked defective, we recommend that it be done on a piece of tape or on a removable stick-on label.
7.02 If a situation arises that is not covered in the troubleshooting guide, contact Tellabs Customer Service as follows (telephone numbers are given below):
USA customers: Contact Tellabs Customer Service at your Tellabs Regional Office.

Canadian customers: Contact Tellabs Customer
Service at our Canadian headquarters in Mississauga, Ontario.
International customers: Contact your Tellabs distributor.

US Atlantic Region: (203) 798-0506
US Capital Region: (703) 478-0468
US Central Region: (312) 357-7400
US Southeast Region: (305) 834-8311
US Southwest Region: (214) 869-4114
US Western Region: (714) 850-1300
Canada: (416) 624-0052
7.03 If a module is diagnosed as defective, follow the replacement procedure in paragraph 7.04 when a critical service outage exists (e.g., when a system or a critical circuit is down and no spares are available). If the situation is not critical, follow the repair and return procedure in paragraph 7.05 .

## replacement

7.04 To obtain a replacement module, notify Tellabs via letter or telephone (see addresses and numbers below) or via TWX (910-695-3530 in the USA, 610-492-4387 in Canada). Be sure to provide all relevant information, including the 8X6168A part number that indicates the issue of the module in question. Upon notification, we shall ship a replacement to you. If the module in question is in warranty, the replacement will be shipped at no charge. Pack the defective module in the replacement's carton, sign the packing slip included with the replacement, and enclose it with the defective module (this is your return authorization). Affix the preaddressed label provided with the replacement module to the carton being returned, and ship the carton prepaid to Tellabs.

## repair and return

7.05 Return the defective 6168A module, shipment prepaid, to Tellabs (attn: repair and return).
in the USA:
Tellabs, Inc.
4951 Indiana Avenue
Lisle, Illinois 60532
telephone: (312) 969-8800
in Canada:
Tellabs Communications Canada, Ltd. 1200 Aerowood Drive, Unit 39 Mississauga, Ontario, Canada L4W 2S7
telephone: (416) 624-0052

Enclose an explanation of the module's malfunction. Follow your company's standard procedure with regard to administrative paperwork. Tellabs will repair the module and ship it back to you. If the module is in warranty, no invoice will be issued.

## troubleshooting guide

| trouble condition | possible causes (check before assuming module is defective) |
| :--- | :--- |
| module completely | 1) No input power. <br> inoperative |
| 2) Improper wiring. |  |

