Specifications

Specifications subject to change without notice.

Maximum Distance*	2500 feet
Bandwidth	20 Hz to 20 kHz
Impedance	600 ohms, balanced
Isolation	500 V
Nominal Level	1.0 volts
Insertion Loss	1 dB
Common Mode Rejection	Greater than 40 dB
Unshielded Twisted Pair Cabling Specifications (24 gauge or lower solid copper)	Maximum capacitance: 20 pf/foot Impedance: 100 ohms @ 1 MHz Attenuation: 6.6 dB/1000 ft. @ 1 MHz Cat 3, Cat 5, Cat 5e, Cat 6, Cat 7 compatible
Connectors	Four (4) female RCA to one (1) RJ45
RJ45 Pinout	Channel 1 (L): 4 & 5, pair 1 Channel 1 (R): 1 & 2, pair 2 Channel 2 (L): 3 & 6, pair 3 Channel 2 (R): 7 & 8, pair 4
Temperature	Operating: 32 to 131 F (0 to 55 C) Storage: -4 to 185 F (-20 to 85 C) Humidity: up to 95%
Enclosure	Black plastic
Dimensions	4.3" x 2.5" x 1"
Weight	0.2 lbs (3.2 oz.)
Ordering Information	<i>AVO-A4</i> : single AVO-A4 balun in bulk packaging <i>AVO-A4-PAC</i> : two AVO-A4 baluns in retail-ready packaging
Warranty	2 years

* Distances and picture quality may be affected by cable grade, cable quality, source and destination equipment, RF and electrical interference, and cable patches. Intelix specifications are based on straight-through cabling with standard-grade Cat 5.

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AvoCat Intelix AVO-A4 Stereo Audio Balun Series Installation Manual



The Intelix AVO-A4 balun passively transmits four mono or dual stereo analog audio signals via unshielded twisted pair (UTP) cable, such as Cat 5. Used in pairs, the AVO-A4 transmits analog audio in either direction up to 2500 feet, providing a lowcost, versatile cabling solution which uses a building's existing structured cabling system.

The AVO-A4 is ideal for corporate AV, houses of worship, schools, auditoriums, and virtually any other situation involving structured audio distribution.

Installation

Caution: Do not attempt to open the balun housing. There are no user-serviceable parts inside the AVO-A4. Opening the unit will void your warranty.

To install an AVO-A4 balun, perform the following steps:

- 1. Turn off power and disconnect the audio equipment by following the manufacturer's instructions.
- 2. Make certain that outlets and cross connects to which you will connect the AVO-A4 are configured properly and labeled appropriately to identify the circuit.

Caution: Do not connect the AVO-A4 to a telecommunication outlet wired to unrelated equipment. Making such a connection may damage the equipment and/or balun. Please ensure all wiring is "straight-through."

- 3. Verify the desired twisted pairs are not being used for other LAN or telephony equipment.
- 4. Connect the RCA inputs from the source equipment to one of the two baluns. Two AVO-A4's are needed—one at each end of the run—and are interchangeable.

Caution: Do not mount the balun over equipment ventilation openings. Covering the openings may cause the equipment to overheat.

- 5. Connect a 4-pair Cat 5 cable from the RJ45 8-position modular jack of the AVO-A4 to a structured cable, such as Cat 5.
- 6. Connect the second balun's RCA inputs to the destination equipment.
- 7. Connect the 4-pair Cat 5 cable from the RJ45 8-position modular jack of another AVO-A4 to the structured cable attached to the first balun.
- 8. Power on the source and destination equipment and test for correct operation.

Troubleshooting

If your equipment malfunctions with AVO-A4 baluns in place, follow the troubleshooting procedures below:

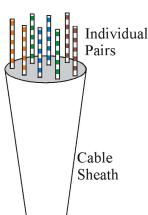
- 1. Perform diagnostics on your audio equipment by following the manufacturer's instructions.
- 2. Check all the connections and the structured cabling system. Verify the RJ45 crimp pattern conforms to either EIA/TIA 568A or 568B standards.
- 3. Check the pin configuration of the structured cable.
- 4. The maximum operational distances over which the AVO-A4 can be transmitted is dependant on the equipment used and cable. Ensure that the maximum recommended operational distances have not been exceeded.
- 5. Check that only twisted pair patch cords are being used.
- 6. Replace the AVO-A4 balun with another AVO-A4 that is known to be working.
- 7. If you still cannot diagnose the problem, contact Intelix for support.

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I expose the individual pairs in Cat 5 cabling?

There is no single method when exposing the four individual pairs in twisted pair cabling, such as Cat 5 and Cat 6; however, it does help to have a cable stripping tool designed to strip the cable jacket/ insulation.

Begin by stripping back the cable's outer jacket/ insulation about an inch (or more depending on whether multiple baluns will be connected to the pairs of a single cable) so that the internal wires are exposed. Be careful not to cut the internal wires when stripping the insulation/jacket. Eight twisted wires and a string should now be visible; the string is unnecessary and may be removed. These eight wires, which when combined form four pairs, connect directly to the baluns. Typical protocol pairs similar colors; the important thing is to verify the same color-coded pairs are used on each end.



How do I crimp an unshielded RJ45 connector onto Cat 5?

Crimping an RJ45 connector onto Cat 5 is a fairly straight forward task, assuming you have the proper tools. Keep in mind that baluns require either the EIA/TIA 568A or 568B crimp pattern, which are the industry standards for networking.

- 1. First, strip a portion of the insulation about 3/4" to expose the four twisted pairs.
- 2. Next, untwist the wires and fan them out so that they match either EIA/TIA 568A or 568B pattern.
- 3. Evenly trim the wires to about 1/2". Most RJ45 crimp tools feature a built-in wire trimmer.
- 4. Insert the trimmed wires into the RJ45 connector so that each wire is in its individual slot. Verify each wire is completely inserted.
- 5. Finally, insert the RJ45 connector into the crimp tool and squeeze firmly.
- 6. Repeat the above steps on the other end of the Cat 5 cable and verify pinout is identical on each end.



EIA/TIA 568A Crimp Pattern Standard

EIA/TIA 568B Crimp Pattern Standard

