# CHAPTER 3 MOUNTING BOX

#### 3.1 SCOPE

The PDP-11 System is modular in concept and consists of a number of basic building blocks, known as system units, that are housed in a mounting box. This section discusses only the basic PDP-11 Mounting Box. A description of system units and cables is included in the *PDP-11 Handbook*; a discussion of interface hardware, system units, cables, and mounting panels is covered in the *Unibus Interface Manual*; various methods of installing mounting boxes and descriptions of various system configurations are presented in Chapter 4 of this manual.

#### 3.2 DESCRIPTION

The basic mounting box (see Figure 3-1) is designed to house the system units that make up a PDP-11 System. The box also includes a space for mounting the H720 System Power Supply. The mounting box contains four fans for forced air cooling, an insulated top cover to prevent debris from falling into the wire-wrap pins (necessary because the system units are mounted with the pins up and the modules down), and a foam-lined bottom cover which is both a module retainer and minimizes module vibration. The bottom cover also serves as part of the air plenum to ensure adequate cooling. The mounting box is fabricated from zinc-plated steel to resist corrosion; its dimensions are given in drawing D-UA-11/20-0-0.

# 3.3 MODELS

There are four models of mounting boxes, each a variation of the box described above. The prime differences among the four models are the type of front panel used and the mounting hardware.

The basic box is used to house the PDP-11 basic system and includes either a programmer's console or controller console as the front panel. The basic box may be supplied with either slides for rack-mounting or a table-top decorative cabinet.

The extension box is used to house additional system components (expanded memory, interface modules, etc.) and includes a blank front panel rather than a console. It also may be supplied with either tilt-slides or a table-top cover.

The four mounting box models are listed in Table 3-1.

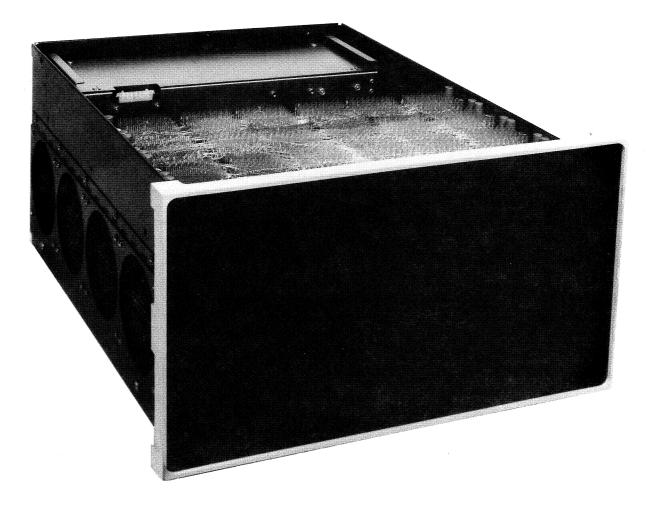


Figure 3-1 Basic Mounting Box

Table 3-1
Mounting Box Models

Model No.	Type of Box	Front Panel	Mounting Hardware
BA11-CS	Basic	Console	Tilt-slides for rack mounting Table-top decorative cabinet Tilt-slides for rack mounting Table-top decorative cabinet
BA11-CC	Basic	Console	
BA11-ES	Extension	Blank	
BA11-EC	Extension	Blank	

NOTE: Model number code indicates:

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Type of Box Mounting

# **CHAPTER 4 INSTALLATION**

#### 4.1 INTRODUCTION

This chapter provides installation information and physical specifications for PDP-11 Systems. Because of the number of possible system configurations, a brief description of all PDP-11 Models is included. Subsequent paragraphs discuss requirements that must be considered for installation planning and the appropriate installation procedures. The final portion of this chapter includes a series of data sheets that contain specifications and drawings on major hardware components.

# 4.2 SYSTEM CONFIGURATIONS

Basic PDP-11 Systems are available in 18 different configurations. Configurations differ in mounting methods, input power requirements, inclusion of a Teletype<sup>®</sup>, and support functions supplied. Six of these configurations represent standard systems, the remaining twelve represent systems designed for use by OEM's. All 18 configurations are briefly mentioned in Table 4-1; however, only the six standard configurations are described in detail in Paragraph 4.5. The OEM configurations are physically identical to the standard, with the following exceptions:

- a. The Teletype and front panel logo are optional.
- Support functions (i.e., one set of documentation per system, training courses, maintenance) are not included.

In addition to the basic system, customers can order DEC options and peripherals. Figure 4-1 shows a standard DEC cabinet and indicates preferred position assignments. These assignments have been chosen considering ease of control and cable lengths. Any PDP-11 equipment not shown on the drawing may be mounted as desired in the remainder of the cabinet or in other cabinets. Note that the top and bottom cabinet spaces are not used; the top space is too high for easy access, and the bottom space does not allow the drawer to be tilted.

#### 4.3 INSTALLATION PLANNING

This section provides electrical, physical, and environmental requirements that must be considered prior to installation in order to ensure an efficient PDP-11 Computer installation.

Table 4-1 **PDP-11 System Configurations** 

Configuration Codes			
Basic System With Teletype	OEM System With Teletype	OEM System Without Teletype	Mounting Method
A	D	Н	Rack-mountable, with tilt-slides
В	Е	J	Table-top model with cover
C	F	K	Rack-mounted in cabinet

# **Power Codes**

Designation (Power Supply Type)	Input Power Requirements	
A	115V, 50/60 Hz	,
В	230V, 50/60 Hz	

NOTES: 1. Model codes are used as follows:

Configuration Computer Model Power Supply Code PDP-11/20-BA

2. Examples are: PDP-11/20-BA is basic system with Teletype, table-top model, 115V version

PDP-11/20-HB is OEM System, without Teletype, rack-mountable,

230V version

 $<sup>^{\</sup>circledR}\textsc{Teletype}$  is the registered trademark of Teletype Corporation.

#### 4.3.1 Space Requirements

Access space must be provided at the installation site to accommodate the PDP-11 System and related peripherals. Space must be adequate to allow access to all doors and panels for maintenance.

The PDP-11 System is available in rack-mountable, table-top, or cabinet-mounted configurations. Dimensions for each configuration, including drawings, are given in the data sheets in Paragraph 4.5. If customer-supplied cabinets are to be used, the customer should consult the supplier's documents to ensure that sufficient space is allowed for the cabinets.

The minimum service clearance on all standard DEC computer cabinets is 8-3/4 in. at the front and 14-7/8 in. at the back.

The Teletype dimensions and service area requirements are also given in the appropriate data sheets in Paragraph 4.5 Because of the Teletype signal cable, the Teletype must be located within eight ft of the computer.

#### 4.3.2 Environmental Requirements

Ambient temperature at the installation site can vary between 50° F and 122° F (10° C and 50° C). To extend the life expectancy of the system, however, it is recommended that the temperature at the installation site be maintained between 70° F and 85° F (20° C and 30° C).

All exposed surfaces of DEC cabinets and hardware have been treated to prevent corrosion, but exposure of systems to extreme humidity for long periods of time should be avoided. The system operating environment should be within the relative humidity range of 20% to 95% (non-condensing).

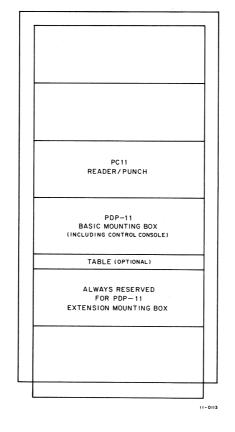


Figure 4-1
PDP-11 Position Assignments

#### 4.3.3 Power Requirements

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Systems with an A power code in the model designation (indicating an H720-A Power Supply) require a source of 115V (±10%), 50/60 Hz (47 to 63 Hz), single-phase power capable of supplying at least 8A (6A for the computer, 2A for the Teletype). Power dissipation is 400W for the computer and 150W for the Teletype. If additional mounting boxes and power supplies are added to the basic system, additional power receptacles at the site are required.

A standard 15-ft, 3-prong, U-ground, 15-A power cord is provided on the rear of the PDP-11 System for connection to the power source. The Teletype unit plugs into the rear of the PDP-11 Mounting Box and does not require a separate receptacle.

All free-standing cabinets require an independent 115V receptacle to provide power for the cabinet fans.

Systems with a B power code in the model designation (indicating an H720-B Power Supply) require a source of 230V (±10%), 50/60 Hz (47 to 63 Hz), single-phase power capable of supplying at least 5A (3A for the computer, 2A for the Teletype). If additional mounting boxes and power supplies are added to the basic system, additional power receptacles at the site are required.

A standard 15-ft, 3-conductor power cable with pigtails is provided on the rear of the PDP-11 System for connection to the power source. The Teletype unit plugs into the rear of the mounting box.

All free-standing cabinets require an independent 230V receptacle to provide power for the cabinet fans.

#### 4.3.4 Cable Requirements

Whenever an extension mounting box is used, an external Unibus Cable (BC11) is the only signal connection required between mounting boxes. This external Unibus cable may also be used to connect other peripherals to the PDP-11 System. The BC11 Cable Assembly may be purchased in various lengths but the maximum combined (internal and external) Unibus cable length is limited to 50 ft.

The length of the Teletype signal cable is such that it restricts the location of the Teletype to within eight ft of the computer.

#### 4.4 INSTALLATION

This paragraph covers installation of only the basic PDP-11 System. A section on installation of peripherals and options is not required, because of the modular and Unibus concepts of the system. To install a peripheral, for example, it is necessary only to insert the system unit in the mounting box and connect a Unibus cable between the mounting box and peripheral. Details of interface hardware are included in the *Unibus Interface Manual*.

Installation of a PDP-11 System requires no special tools or equipment. A fork-lift truck (or other pallet-handling equipment) and normal hand tools should be available for receiving and installing the equipment.

The installation procedure is as follows:

Step	Procedure
1	Remove the shipping straps with shears, remove the packing material, and remove the cardboard crate to disassemble the wooden corner supports.
2	Carefully place the PDP-11 Mounting Box (or cabinet, depending on type of system) in the desired location.
3	Open the Teletype carton and remove the packing material. Remove the back cover from the stand. Remove and unwrap the copyholder, chad box, and power pack. Remove the stand from the shipping carton. Remove the Teletype console from the carton, holding it by means of the wooden pallet attached to the bottom. Snap the power pack in place at the top of the rear side of the Teletype stand.
4	Remove the Teletype console from the pallet and mount it on the stand. Connect the Teletype console to the power pack. (A 6-lead cable attached at the console is connected to the power pack by means of a white plastic Molex 1375 female connector which mates with a male output plug on the power pack.) Pass the 3-wire power cable and the 7-conductor signal cable (which is terminated in a type W076 cable connector module) through the opening at the lower left-hand corner of the Teletype stand, then replace the back cover of the stand by means of the two mounting screws.
5	Dress the Teletype cable under the PDP-11 Cabinet and through the large opening at the right rear of the mounting box (the Unibus also passes through this opening). Connect the cable to the 8-pin connector on the KL11-A Teletype Control module.

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Step	Procedure			
6	Connect the 3-prong male connector of the Teletype power cable to either one of the two 120V outlets at the rear of the mounting box.			
7	Set the OFF/POWER/PANEL LOCK switch on the programmer's console to the POWER position.			
8	Install a roll of printed paper into the Teletype Keyboard/Printer, and install a tape in the punch as described in the PDP-11/20 System Manual.			
9	Set the Teletype LINE/OFF/LOCAL switch to LINE. Press the punch ON pushbutton. Strike several keys and note whether or not the printer and punch operate. Check operation of the printer with the LINE/OFF/LOCAL switch set to LOCAL. After completion of these checks, set the switch to OFF.			
10	Set the OFF/POWER/PANEL LOCK switch on the programmer's console to OFF. This completes the installation of a standard PDP-11 System. Before using the system, verify system operating capability by performing power supply checks and running the complete set of diagnostic programs.			

# 4.5 DATA SHEETS

The following data sheets contain information on the six basic PDP-11 System configurations, as well as major hardware components such as mounting boxes, Teletypes, power supplies, etc.

Each data sheet is devoted to a single item and includes a brief description, list of components, specifications (dimensions and power), and installation drawings.

Data sheets are provided for the following:

- a. Models AA & AB Rack-Mountable Systems
- b. Models BA & BB Table-Top Systems
- c. Models CA & CB Rack-Mounted (cabinet) Systems
- d. LT33 Teletype
- e. LT35 Teletype
- f. H720 Power Supply
- g. H960-CA Freestanding Base Cabinet
- h. H952-HA Freestanding Programmer's Table
- i. BA11-EC Extension Mounting Box (Table-Top Model)
- j. BA11-ES Extension Mounting Box (Rack-Mountable Model)

#### NOTE

The BA11-CS and BA11-CC basic mounting boxes are included in items a. and b. above, respectively.

Systems designated as either Model AA or AB are mounted in a basic mounting box which includes tilt-and-lock chassis slides for cabinet installation. The mounting box is designed to fit either DEC cabinets or customer-supplied standard 19-inch RETMA cabinets. The only difference between the two models is the input power requirements.

# COMPONENTS

Both models consists of a basic BA11-CS Mounting Box and either an H720-A (115V) or H720-B (230V) Power Supply. The mounting box is supplied with the appropriate power supply already installed.

# **BA11-CS Mounting Box**

Tilt-and-lock chassis slides Cooling fans (four) Filter 11/20 Programmer's Console or 11/10 Controller Console

# **H720 Power Supply**

Power Supply (refer to power supply sheet for description of both A and B models) 15 ft of appropriate power cord with ground wire

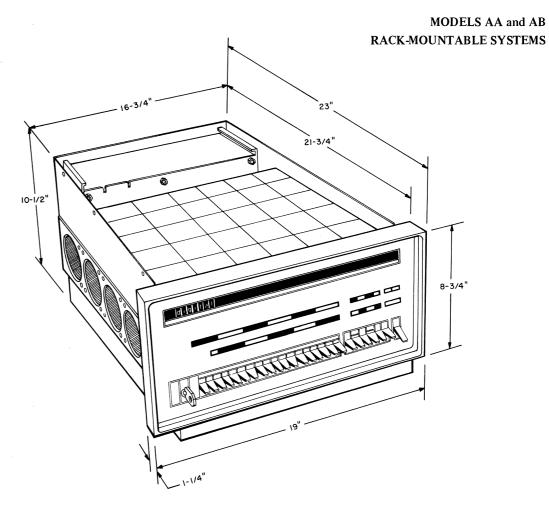
# **SPECIFICATIONS**

Size: 10-1/2 in. high, 19 in. wide, 23 in. deep

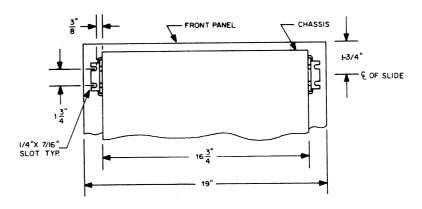
Weight: 90 lbs. (approximate – includes processor, console, and 4K of memory)

**Power:**  $H720-A - 120V \pm 10\%$ , 47-63 Hz, 6A, single-phase

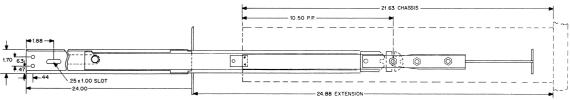
 $H720-B - 230V \pm 10\%$ , 47-63 Hz, 3A, single-phase



Overall Dimensions



Rear View of Mounting Hardware



Side View of Mounting Hardware

Systems designated as either Model BA or BB are mounted in a table-top mounting box which includes a decorative, protective cover. The only difference between the two models is the input power requirements.

# COMPONENTS

Both models consist of a BA11-CC Mounting Box and either an H720-A (115V) or H720-B (230V) Power Supply. The appropriate power supply is furnished already installed in the mounting box.

# **BA11-CC Mounting Box**

Protective cover Cooling fans (four) Filter

11/20 Programmer's Console or 11/10 Controller Console

H720 Power Supply (See power supply sheet for description of both A and B models.)

15 ft of power cord with ground wire

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

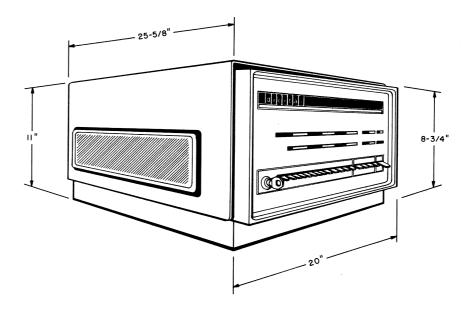
Size: 11 in. high, 20 in. wide, 23-5/8 in. deep

Weight: 100 lbs. (approximate – includes processor, console, and 4K of memory)

**Power:**  $H720-A - 120V \pm 10\%$ , 47-63 Hz, 6A, single-phase

 $H720-B - 230V \pm 10\%$ , 47-63 Hz, 3A, single-phase

# MODELS BA and BB TABLE-TOP SYSTEMS



Systems designated as either Model CA or CB are delivered to the customer already mounted in a DEC free-standing cabinet. In addition to the space occupied by the basic mounting box, the cabinet contains two additional spaces for holding extension mounting boxes, basic mounting boxes, or other PDP-11 equipment. The only difference between the two models is the input power requirements.

# **COMPONENTS**

Both models consist of a BA11-CS Basic Mounting Box, an H960-CA Cabinet, and either an H720-A (115V) or H720-B (230V) Power Supply. An optional freestanding programmer's table may also be included.

#### **BA11-CS Mounting Box**

Tilt-and-lock chassis slides
Cooling fans (four)
Filter
11/20 Programmer's Console or 11/10 Controller Console

# **H720 Power Supply**

Power Supply (refer to power supply sheet for description of both A and B models)
15 ft of appropriate power cord with ground wires

# **H960-CA Freestanding Base Cabinet**

Fan assembly (in top of cabinet)
Power distribution panel
Extension feet
Front panel bezels (5 maximum)

H952-HA Freestanding Programmer's Table (optional)

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

Size: Cabinet -71-1/2 in. high, 22 in. wide, 39 in. deep

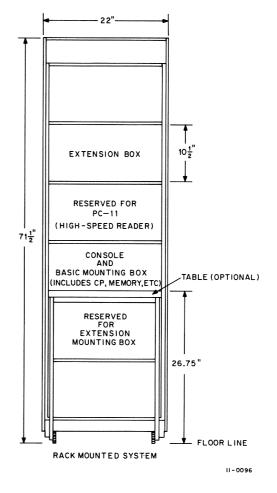
Table – 27 in. high, 19 in. wide, 20 in. extension from cabinet

Weight: 150 lbs (approximate – cabinet only – does not include mounting box or optional table)

**Power:** Either 115V, 60 Hz or 230V, 50 Hz power required for fan assembly

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# MODELS CA and CB RACK-MOUNTED (CABINET) SYSTEMS



The LT33 Teletype Unit is one of the Teletypes that may be used with the PDP-11 System. This Teletype functions as an input/output device for communication with the system. The Teletype unit plugs into the rear of the PDP-11 System Mounting Box and therefore does not require a separate power receptacle.

# MODEL TYPES

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The LT33 Teletype is available in four models. The first letter of the model number indicates whether or not it has a paper tape capability. The second letter of the model number indicates the required input voltage.

Model	Type	Power	Description
LT33-DC	33 ASR	115V, 60 Hz	Automatic send/receive unit. Includes keyboard and a reader/punch for paper tapes.
LT33-DD	33 ASR	230V, 50 Hz	Same as above.
LT33-CC	33 KSR	115V, 60 Hz	Keyboard only. Does not include paper tape capability.
LT33-CD	33 KSR	230V, 50 Hz	Same as above.

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

Size: 34 in. high, 22 in. wide, 19 in. deep

Weight: 56 lbs

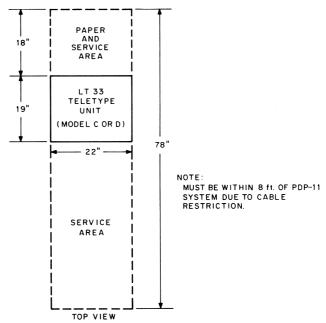
**Power:** C Models  $- 115V \pm 10\%$ , 60 Hz  $\pm 0.45$  Hz

D Models  $- 230V \pm 10\%$ , 50 Hz  $\pm 0.75$  Hz

Both Models – Line current drain of 2A power dissipation of 150W

# LT33 TELETYPE





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The LT35 Teletype Unit is one of the Teletypes that may be used with the PDP-11 System. This Teletype functions as an input/output device for communication with the system and is basically a heavy-duty version of the LT33 Teletype. The unit plugs into the rear of the PDP-11 System Mounting Box and therefore does not require a separate power receptacle.

# MODEL TYPES

The LT35 Teletype is available in four models. The first letter of the model number indicates whether or not it has a paper tape capability. The second letter of the model number indicates the required input voltage.

Model	Type	Power	Description
LT35-DC	35 ASR	115V, 60 Hz	Automatic send/receive unit. Includes keyboard and a reader/punch for paper tapes.
LT35-DD	35 ASR	230V, 50 Hz	Same as above.
LT35-CC	35 KSR	115V, 60 Hz	Keyboard only. Does not include paper tape capability.
LT35-CD	35 KSR	230V, 50 Hz	Same as above.

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

Size: 40 in. high, 20 in. wide, 28 in. deep

Weight: 150 lbs

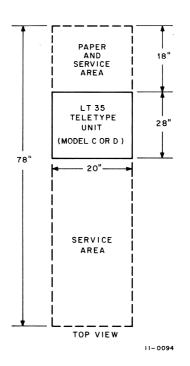
**Power:** C Models  $- 115V \pm 10\%$ , 60 Hz  $\pm 0.45$  Hz

D Models  $-230V \pm 10\%$ , 50 Hz  $\pm 0.75$  Hz

Both Models – Line current drain of 2A power dissipation of 150W

# LT35 TELETYPE





#### **H720 POWER SUPPLY**

(A and B Version)

#### DESCRIPTION

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The H720 Power Supply provides both regulated and unregulated ac and dc power for the PDP-11 System. This supply furnishes all power required by components in either a basic or extension mounting box. The power supply is furnished as part of the basic mounting box, but must be ordered as an additional item when using either the BA11-ES or BA11-EC Extension Mounting Box.

#### **INPUT VOLTAGE**

Model A: 120 Vac, ± 10%; 47-63 Hz; 6A

Model B: One of the following:

218 Vac, ± 10%; 47-63 Hz; 3A 225 Vac, ± 10%; 47-63 Hz; 3A 233 Vac, ± 10%; 47-63 Hz; 3A 240 Vac, ± 10%; 47-63 Hz; 3A

# **OUTPUT VOLTAGES** (both models)

Regulated: +5 Vdc, ± 5%; 16A

-15 Vdc, ± 3%; 10A

Unregulated: -22 Vdc, ± 20%; 1A

+8V, full-wave rectified, unfiltered; 1.5A

# PROTECTION CIRCUITS

Over-current: +5V @ 18-22A; short-circuit current 30A at 0V

-15V @ 12-16A; short-circuit current 25A at 0V

Over-Voltage: +5 Vdc limited to 6.3 Vdc

-15 Vdc limited to unregulated -22 Vdc

#### LOGIC SIGNALS

LTC: Line frequency signal, sine wave clipped at +5V and ground

DC LO: Low dc voltage signal, goes high before AC LO on power up;

remains high 7 ms after AC LO drops during power down

AC LO: Low ac voltage signal

#### AVAILABLE POWER

The basic PDP-11/20, consisting of the KA11, KY11-A, MM11-E, and KL11, allows the following power for expansion:

+5 Vdc, ± 5%; 3.4A -15 Vdc, ± 3%; 1.7A -22 Vdc, ± 20%, unregulated; 0.8A

# **DIMENSIONS**

Size: 8 in. high, 16-1/2 in. wide, 6 in. deep

Weight: 25 lbs

**H720 POWER SUPPLY** 

(E and F Version)

# INPUT VOLTAGE

Model E: 120 Vac, ± 10%; 47-63 Hz; 6A

Model F: One of the following:

210 Vac, ± 10%; 47-63 Hz; 3A 225 Vac, ± 10%; 47-63 Hz; 3A 240 Vac, ± 10%; 47-63 Hz; 3A

#### **OUTPUT VOLTAGES** (both models)

Regulated:  $+5 \text{ Vdc}, \pm 5\%; 22A$ 

-15 Vdc, ± 3%; 10A

Unregulated: -22 Vdc, ± 20%; 1A

+8V, full-wave rectified, unfiltered; 1.5A

# PROTECTION CIRCUITS

Over-current: -15V @ 12-16A; short-circuit current 25A at 0V

Over-Voltage: +5 Vdc limited to 6.3 Vdc

-15 Vdc limited to unregulated -22 Vdc

# LOGIC SIGNALS

LTC: Line frequency signal, sine wave clipped at +5V and ground

DC LO: Low dc voltage signal, goes high before AC LO on power up;

remains high 7 ms after AC LO drops during power down

AC LO: Low ac voltage signal

# AVAILABLE POWER

The basic PDP-11/20, consisting of the KA11, KY11-A, MM11-E, and KL11, allows the following power for expansion:

+5 Vdc, ± 5%; 9.4A -15 Vdc, ± 3%; 1.7A

-22 Vdc, ± 20%, unregulated;

# DIMENSIONS

Size: 8 in. high, 16-1/2 in. wide, 6 in. deep

Weight:

30 lbs

0.8A

# H960-CA FREESTANDING BASE CABINET

# **DESCRIPTION**

This optional cabinet can be used to mount the BA11-CS Basic Mounting Box and a BA11-ES Extension Mounting Box, in addition to other PDP-11 equipment. If desired, the cabinet can be used to house only additional PDP-11 equipment. The cabinet contains six 10-1/2 in. high mounting spaces. If equipment is not mounted, each space can be covered by a black plastic panel. Five of these panels are supplied with the cabinet.

A photograph and installation drawing of this cabinet is contained in the Model CA and CB Rack-Mounted System data sheet.

# **COMPONENTS**

H950-A Frame H952-E Coasters

H952-F Levelers

H952-C Fan Assembly (located in top of cabinet)

H950-S Filter

H950-B Rear Door

H952-A End Panel (2)

H950-D Mounting Panel Doors

H952-B Stabilizer Feet

PDP-11 Logo

Blank Plastic Bezels (10-1/2 in., maximum of 5 supplied)

#7406782

#7005909 Power Distribution Panel (ac and dc; mounted on upper left side of cabinet)

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

Size: 71-1/2 in. high, 22 in. wide, 39 in. deep (including stabilizer feet)

Weight: 150 lbs. (without any equipment mounted inside)

Power: Either 115V, 60 Hz or 230V, 50 Hz power is required for the fan assembly

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# H952-HA FREESTANDING PROGRAMMER'S TABLE

#### DESCRIPTION

The H952-HA Freestanding Programmer's Table is an option that can be ordered for use with the H960-CA Base Cabinet. The table extends into the cabinet approximately one in. The surface plate is supported by its own adjustable-height legs. It should be noted that the table cannot be used by itself; it must be used with the base cabinet. During installation planning, it is necessary to note that the table extends 20 in. from the front of the cabinet, making the space needed for the cabinet 59 in. deep.

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

Size:

27 in. high (above floor)

19 in. wide

21 in. deep (extends 20 in. from cabinet, 1 in. into cabinet)

BA11-EC EXTENSION MOUNTING BOX (TABLE-TOP MODEL)

# **DESCRIPTION**

The Table-Top Extension Box provides mounting space for up to six additional system units which cannot be contained in the basic mounting box.

# **COMPONENTS**

Each BA11-EC Extension Mounting Box is supplied with the following:

Blank front panel

Protective cover

Cooling fans (4)

Filter

Unibus cable from basic mounting box (8 ft 6 in. long)

15 ft of power cord with ground wire (type of cord determined by type of H720 Power Supply selected)

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

Size:

11 in. high, 20 in. wide, 24 in. deep

Power:

Input power requirements are dependent on the type of H720 Power Supply ordered for

the box.

BA11-ES EXTENSION MOUNTING BOX (RACK-MOUNTABLE MODEL)

# **DESCRIPTION**

The Rack-Mountable Extension Box provides mounting space for up to six additional system units which cannot be contained in the basic mounting box.

#### **COMPONENTS**

Each BA11-ES Extension Mounting Box is supplied with the following:

Blank front panel

Tilt-and-lock chassis slides

Cooling fans (4)

Filter

Unibus cable from basic mounting box (8 ft 6 in. long)

15 ft of power cord with ground wire (type of cord determined by type of H720 Power Supply selected)

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

Size:

10-1/2 in. high, 19 in. wide, 23 in. deep

Power:

Input power requirements are dependent on the type of H720 Power Supply ordered

for the box.