

## Discussion

# Filtering for Modular Data/Power ports (RJ11 through RJ45 sizes)

Steward's new line of "Slimline" Common Mode Chokes provide an effective EMI solution for filtering Data/Power modular connectors.

Steward's CM2718 for use with standard 4 line single module application, CM3818 for use with 6 line single module applications (including 4 line data & 2 line power), and CM5018 for use with a full RJ45 8 & 10 line single module application will provide the lowest cost, smallest footprint EMI solution available on the market today.

Modular jack ports (all of which have tight transmission specifications) support several very different protocols which generate a wide range of EMI issues. Modular jacks range from the RJ11 2 & 4 line application to the RJ45 8 & 10 line types. The most common data port is the RJ45. The RJ45 is used to support a broad range of serial data transmission (10 Mbs thru 250 Mbs) and, in some cases, current loads. These ports have created several layers of EMI issues that need to be addressed.

**Signal lines** - The various data protocols have a broad range of carrier frequencies to support 10 / 100 base T Ethernet up to the 1Gbs data (4 X 250 Mbs) transmission rates.

**Overview** 

**Power Lines** - Though currently a limited application, power can be handled by two or more conductors in the connector. These power lines are a source of some unwanted EMI. The main issue, as in all power applications, is conducted common mode noise; so the use of a Common Mode Choke to provide filtration has proven to be the best solution.

#### 1. PROBLEM:

The geometry of the typical filtered connector utilizes a group of wound toroids configured as common mode chokes which tends to create too much Normal Mode Impedance. This causes failure in transmission signal integrity due to excessive differential impedance on the line. The reason this occurs is due to the need to use small toroids wound with a large number of turns. This configuration usually provides from 1400 to 1800 ohms peak to obtain a broad band filter of greater then 100 ohms from 10 MHz to 1 GHz. The resulting high peak performance curve has high Q, and therefore, high inter-winding capacitance leading to poor normal mode performance.

#### STEWARD SOLUTION:

Steward's "Slimline" Common Mode Chokes have the lowest Normal mode impedance in the industry today (See Data Performance curves on last page). Steward's unique part geometry provides superior performance and minimum net impedance at 10MHz, 100MHz and 250MHz. These chokes also provide a considerable amount of broadband Common Mode Filtration. For example the 200 ohm parts yield more then 100 ohms of pure Common Mode rejection from 10 MHz to 1 GHz. The net circuit impedance (Normal Mode) has less than 60 ohms impedance from 10 to 250 Mhz, less than 25 ohms @ 100 MHz, and less than 5 ohms @ 10 MHz. Steward ferrite materials currently used in all Steward multi-line products have a volume resistively (ohms per cm) that effectively removes electrical crosstalk. Also, the geometry used by Steward minimizes inter-winding capacitance, the primary source of crosstalk in most common mode chokes.

#### 2. PROBLEM:

The large footprint required for a separate Common Mode Choke and shielded modular connector requires far too much board space compared to the typical shielded / filtered modular connector.

#### STEWARD SOLUTION:

Steward's new "Slimline" Common Mode Chokes when, combined with the use of a standard Shielded RJ45 modular connector, has a smaller footprint than the standard RJ45 filtered/shielded modular assembly. This provides a net DECREASE in footprint over the currently accepted solution by as much as 27% for a typical 4 line filtered solution versus a shielded/filtered modular assembly.

#### 3. PROBLEM:

The shielded/filtered modular connector is very costly, due to its construction.

#### STEWARD SOLUTION:

The combined cost of a "Slimline" Common Mode Choke with a standard shielded modular connector will provide approximately a 40% decrease in the cost per filtered line, over a filtered/shielded assembly.







PART NUMBER	Fig #	# of Lines	A mm (inches)	B mm (inches)	C mm (inches)	D mm (inches)	E mm (inches)	E1 mm (inches)	T1 mm (inches)	DCR MAX OHMS	Typical Impedance @ 100 MHz
CM2718R800R-00	1	4	6.99 ± 0.13 (0.275 ± 0.005)	4.72 ± 0.08 (0.186 ± 0.003)	4.83 ± 0.08 (0.190 ± 0.003)	2.24 ± 0.03 (0.088 ± 0.001)	1.27 ± 0.03 (0.050 ± 0.001)	1.75 ± 0.03 (0.069 ± 0.001)	1.02 ± 0.38 (0.040 ± 0.015)	0.020	80
CM2718R121R-00	1	4	6.99 <u>±</u> 0.13 (0.275 <u>±</u> 0.005)	4.72 ± 0.08 (0.186 ± 0.003)	7.75 ± 0.15 (0.305 ± 0.006)	2.24 ± 0.03 (0.088 ± 0.001)	1.27 ± 0.03 (0.050 ± 0.001)	1.75 ± 0.03 (0.069 ± 0.001)	1.02 ± 0.38 (0.040 ± 0.015)	0.020	120
CM2718R201R-00	1	4	6.99 <u>+</u> 0.15 (0.275 <u>+</u> 0.006)	4.72 ± 0.08 (0.186 ± 0.003)	13.72 <u>+</u> 0.25 (0.540 <u>+</u> 0.010)	2.24 ± 0.03 (0.088 ± 0.001)	1.27 ± 0.03 (0.050 ± 0.001)	1.75 <u>+</u> 0.03 (0.069 <u>+</u> 0.001)	1.02 <u>+</u> 0.38 (0.040 <u>+</u> 0.015)	0.020	200
CM3818R800R-00	2	6	9.80 ± 0.15 (0.386 ± 0.006)	4.72 ± 0.08 (0.186 ± 0.003)	4.83 ± 0.08 (0.190 ± 0.003)	2.24 ± 0.03 (0.088 ± 0.001)	1.27 ± 0.03 (0.050 ± 0.001)	1.75 ± 0.03 (0.069 ± 0.001)	1.02 <u>+</u> 0.38 (0.040 <u>+</u> 0.015)	0.020	80
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CM5018R800R-00	3	8	12.70 ± 0.15 (0.500 ± 0.006)	4.72 ± 0.08 (0.186 ± 0.003)	4.83 ± 0.08 (0.190 ± 0.003)	2.24 ± 0.03 (0.088 ± 0.001)	1.27 ± 0.03 (0.050 ± 0.001)	1.75 ± 0.03 (0.069 ± 0.001)	1.02 ± 0.38 (0.040 ± 0.015)	0.020	80
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CM5018 LAND PATTERNS FOR REFLOW SOLDERING







(Steward solution: approx. connector area =  $.281 \text{ in}^2$ , approx. common mode choke area =  $.079\text{in}^2$ approx. combined area =  $0.360 \text{ in}^2$  of board space)

27% Less Printed Circuit Board area required





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