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Feature Enhancements

A number of features have been added, or updated, to this version of software. This section provides a brief introduction to these features, and how to use them.

10.1f Features

Ultracore BCS Support

If your router ecosystem uses an Ultracore BCS, the switcher requires the IP address of the Ultracore BCS to communicate with the router to switch aux buses. You can set the IP address of both the primary and redundant Ultracore BCS (Press **HOME** > **Setup** > **Installation** > **More** > **More** > **Ultrix Setup**).

You can set whether the switcher uses the primary or redundant Ultracore BCS from the **Remote Enables** menu (Press **HOME** > **More** > **Effects** > **More** > **Remote Control Select**).

RossTalk Updates

The following commands have been added or updated.

PGM A/B Support

Support has been added to address PGM A,B,C,D,E,F when specifying an ME for a RossTalk command.

RossTalk Tria Support

Support has been added for RossTalk control of Ross Video Servers. Commands include CUE, PLAY, STOP, GOTO, JOG, LOOP, ANGLE, and EJECT.

Tally Never Option

The option has been added to have sources selected on an ME or aux bus never tallied.

Press **HOME** > **Setup** > **Installation** > **Output** > **More** > **ME / Aux Tally**.

Alternate Device Locked

If an alternate device is assigned to a primary device, but not enabled, a lock symbol is shown on the menu (Press **HOME** > **More** > **Remote Enables** > **Alternate Device**) to indicate that you cannot toggle to the alternate.

Split Self Keys Persist

When you split a Self key now, you can change the fill source without reverting the alpha. The split functionality will remain as long as the KEY MEM is not active and you don't change key types. Press the SELF key type button again to revert the split.

10.1d Features

New Personality Options

The following switcher personality options have been added or changed.

Router Name on MV

Set whether the MultiViewer shows the router mnemonic names or the switcher names for video sources.

Press **HOME** > **Setup** > **Personality** and use the **Option** knob to select **Router Name on MV**.

- **Router Name** — MultiViewer uses router mnemonic names.
- **Set Name** — MultiViewer uses switcher source names.

Carbonite Black Control Panels

Support has been added for the CB1 and CB2 control panels with the Menu Display. The Menu Display connects to the frame over ethernet the same way an Acuity Rack Panel does. An ARP can be used instead of the Menu Display. You can then connect the Menu Display to the Carbonite Black control panel.

New Custom Controls

A number of custom controls have been added or expanded.

User Variable CC (RossTalk)

Select the variable name, operation, and value you want to apply to the user variable.

1. Press **Name** and enter the name of the variable you want to edit.
2. Press **Variable Operator** and use the **Variable Operator** knob to select the operator you want to apply.
3. Press **Variable Value** and use the **Variable Value** knob to select the value you want to apply.

10.1b Features

3D DVE Preprocessor Effects

The Preprocessor creates effects such as strobe and defocus that can be applied to any DVE channel. Any number of preprocessor effects can be applied to the same DVE channel.

- **Defocus** — adds a horizontal and vertical blur to the image on the channel.
- **Strobe** — alternates between freezing and playing the live video of the channel.

10.1a Features

3D DVE Support

Support has been added for 4 channels of 3D DVE per ME (1 in UHDTV1).

Features

Thank you for considering a Ross Video Ultrix Acuity Hyper Converged Production Platform. The Ultrix Acuity is a completely new segment in the market that combines the award winning Ultrix™ routing system and the new Acuity® Software Defined Production Engine blades to bring you a truly integrated and compact solution.

Analog/Tri-Level Reference Input

Ultrix™ provides the reference input and internal signals that the switcher uses for timing. Both the router and switcher must be set to the same reference format and video format for trigger 1 on the router.

Depending on the input reference format the switcher is receiving from the router, you will only be able to operate the switcher in certain formats.

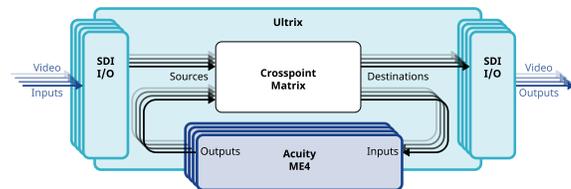
Table 1: Compatible Video Formats

Video Format	Required Reference
720p 50Hz	576i
	1080i 50Hz
720p 59.94Hz	480i
	720p 59.94Hz
	1080i 59.94Hz
1080i 50Hz	576i
	1080i 50Hz
1080i 59.94Hz	480i
	1080i 59.94Hz
1080p 24Hz	1080p 24Hz
1080p 25Hz	576i
	1080i 50Hz
1080p 29.97Hz	1080i 59.94Hz
	1080p 29.97Hz
1080p 50Hz (A/B)	576i
	1080i 50Hz
1080p 59.94Hz (A/B)	480i
	1080i 59.94Hz
1080p 60Hz	1080i 60Hz
UHDTV1 50Hz (UHD-2SI)	576i
	1080i 50Hz

Video Format	Required Reference
UHDTV1 59.94Hz (UHD-2SI)	480i
	1080i 59.94Hz
UHDTV1 60Hz (UHD-2SI)	1080i 60Hz

Video I/O

Video signals come into the router through the SDI IO blades and are passed from the router crosspoint as destinations that are available to the switcher as inputs. All inputs to the router are available to the each ME in the switcher. Video outputs from the switcher are then made available to the router as sources that can be routed to destinations. Unlike the inputs, the switcher cannot control which output on the router a video signal from the switcher is sent to. This routing is done by the router matrix.



Important: The switcher can only access the first 280 destination and source database entries on the router. Destinations or sources with an ID beyond 280 are not addressable by the switcher.

Media-Store

Media-Store allows you to load stills, animations, or audio from the hard drive and make them available as a source on the switcher. Each ME has 2 channels of audio and 4 channels video Media-Store.

Ultriscap Multi-Viewer

Some of the outputs from each ME are available as PiPs for the software defined Ultriscap MultiViewer in the router.

Note: Refer to the documentation that came with your router for information on licensing and setting up Ultriscap.

The switcher makes the following sources available as PiPs from ME 1. All other MEs in the switcher have similar outputs. You must assign tally IDs to the router sources to have the switcher tally sources on the Multi-Viewer.

- ME1 PGM A
- ME1 PVW A

- ME1 PGM B
- ME1 PGM C
- ME1 User Out 1
- ME1 User Out 2
- ME1 User Out 3
- ME1 User Out 4

2D DVE

Each ME comes standard with 14 channels of advanced 2D DVE (6 in UHD TV1) that can be used for performing over the shoulder or picture in picture shots with full DVE key-framing with smooth interpolation. This allows preset pattern keys to be zoomed, cropped, a border or edge effect added, and repositioned horizontally and vertically to create the look you want, or you can use one of the useful pre-built 2D effects to perform 2D background transitions.

ME Effect System

Each Software Defined Production Engine (SDPE) in the system provides a single ME (Multi-level Effect) with 6 advanced keyers, border and pattern generators, and utility buses.

- **Keyer** — supporting matte fill, key invert, pattern mask, box mask, garbage mask, self-key, linear key, and preset pattern key. The 2 UltraChrome advanced chroma keyers are standard for each ME and are available to each keyer.
- **Border Generator** — provides border, shadow, and outline effects to the keyers with either hard or glowing edges. You can then move the border to any position on the screen - even above the key. Borders are flown in real time with the joystick in the same manner as wipe patterns and DVE effects. This border generator was designed as a creative tool and it can add an impressive visual impact to your keys.
- **Pattern Generator** — two advanced pattern generators provide rotary wipes, matrix wipes, heart, star, spade, modulation, and pattern rotation. Two additional pattern generators are dedicated to color wash generators. A single simple pattern generator is available to each key.
- **Utility Bus** — utility buses provide video-in-border and garbage mask applications, as well as being used for the buses of the B-side of a split ME.

Ultrix Acuity can support up to 4 MEs in HD or UHD TV1.

UltraChrome

The UltraChrome chroma keyers uses patented advanced video processing technology to provide exceptional blue spill reduction and clean edges, even with difficult source material. Glass, smoke, translucent materials, and natural shadows are handled superbly.

Chroma key shadows can either be extracted from the source image or simulated using the optional border generators.

There are 2 floating Chroma Keys available to each ME and can be assigned to any keyer.

Color Correction

Color correction is performed by either Processing Amplifiers (Proc Amps) in the HSL (Y-Cr-Cb) color space or by RGB Color Correctors in the RGB color space. Both Proc Amps and RGB Color Correctors allow you to apply color correction to video sources on the fly to input video signals, entire buses, or aux bus outputs.

- **ME Input Based Correction** — color correction is applied to a video input on the selected ME. Color correction is only applied to the video signal on the ME, and not when the same signal is selected on another ME or Aux.
- **ME Bus Based Correction** — color correction is applied to the entire bus of the selected ME. Any source selected on that bus has the color correction applied to it. Unlike the other color correction types, bus-based color correction is stored and recalled with memories. This allows you to include a color correction element as part of an effects dissolve.

Color correction is additive, allowing you to apply any combination of Proc Amp and RGB Color Corrector based adjustment to a video signal on the input, as well as on the bus. If multiple color corrections are applied, the input-based correction is applied first, and the bus-based correction is applied after that.

MultiPanel

You can connect one main panel and up to eight satellite panels to a single frame. Each of the control panels can control some, or all, of the

MEs. Only the Main Panel supports all device control or OverDrive®.

SoftPanel

SoftPanel allows you to run the menu system of the switcher from a computer. The switcher treats the SoftPanel interface as a satellite panel, allowing it to control all aspects of the switcher that the menu system of a satellite panel can control.

The SoftPanel application uses the Oracle® VM VirtualBox to interface with the computer hardware and operating system, and connect to the switcher frame.

Tip: You can also point your Google Chrome™ browser to the SoftPanel to access the Acuity Virtual Panel.

Custom Controls

A custom control is a series of commands, or button presses, that are recorded together into a single macro. When you run that custom control, the switcher runs all the commands and button pressed that were recorded in the macro. This allows you to simplify complex sequences of commands into simple button presses. For example, you can create a custom control that will recall a camera shot to preview, add a lower third, and then transition the background and key on-air.

The switcher supports up to 2304 custom controls.

Memory Functions

A memory register is a snapshot of the current state of the switcher that can include multiple MEs. Up to 1,000 memory registers per ME can be stored and recalled on the switcher. Each of these memory registers can store as little as the information of one ME, or as much as the current state of the entire switcher, including all MEs, Aux Buses, and DVE settings.

Effects Dissolve

An Effects Dissolve allows you to have the switcher slew from one memory to another using a memory recall. The switcher will interpolate from the starting memory to the destination memory, creating a smooth, two keyframe effect.

Only elements such as clip level, pattern position, and DVE settings can be interpolated

in the effects dissolve. Other elements, such as key priority, crosspoint selection, pattern, and next transition data are recalled first, and then the switcher will slew to the recalled memory.

The speed at which an effects dissolve is performed is either the Effect Rate. If you store an effects dissolve in a memory register, the effects dissolve rate stored with that memory is used. The effects rate of the destination memory is used for any effects dissolve. You can set a default effects dissolve rate that is used when an ME, or the switcher, is defaulted. This rate does not override the rate that is stored in the memory.

GPI Control

General Purpose Interface (GPI) is a high/low voltage signalling protocol that allows the switcher to send simple commands to an external device, or receive commands from a device. Each pin on the GPI is set as either high (+5 Volts), or low (0 Volts), and it is the switching between high and low that sends commands to the external device, or to the switcher.

Each SDPE blade has 24 GPIs that can be assigned as inputs or outputs.

Live Edit Decision Lists

Edit Decision Lists are files used by non-linear editing (NLE) suites to aid in post-production. Your switcher can capture EDL data in a file that you load into your NLE suite.

The switcher supports the **CMX3600** format for recording EDL files.

Note: The CMX3600 specification only supports a maximum of 999 events per ME or aux bus. If another event occurs beyond the 999 limit, a new file is created using the incremental file number.

Tallies

Tallies are simple open collectors that the switcher uses to signal other devices, and users, that a particular video source is on-air. Typically, tallies are used to light a red light on a camera to show people that they are on-air and what camera they should be looking at.

You can only assign a single source to a tally, but you can assign multiple tallies to the same source.

Tally ports are located on the Acuity™ control panel (panel tallies) and the SDPE blade (ME tallies).

Device Control

The switcher can control a number of external devices, such as video servers and robotic cameras. For a complete list of supported devices, and information on how to set up and control these devices, visit the Ross Video website (help.rossvideo.com/acuity-device/).

Technical Support

At Ross Video, we take pride in the quality of our products, but if a problem does occur, help is as close as the nearest telephone.

Our 24-Hour Hot Line service ensures you have access to technical expertise around the clock. After-sales service and technical support are provided directly by Ross Video personnel. During business hours (eastern standard time), technical support personnel are available by telephone. Outside of normal business hours and on weekends, a direct emergency technical support phone line is available. If the technical support personnel who is on call does not answer this line immediately, a voice message can be left and the call will be returned shortly. Our Technical support staff are available to react to any problem and to do whatever is necessary to ensure customer satisfaction.

Warranty and Repair Policy

Ross Video Limited (Ross) warrants its switchers and related options, to be free from defects under normal use and service for a period of ONE YEAR from the date of shipment. Fader handle assemblies are warranted for the life of the product. If an item becomes defective within the warranty period Ross will repair or replace the defective item, as determined solely by Ross.

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Product Comparison

Table 2: Acuity® Control Panel Comparison (Standard Control Panel)

	A1S	A2M	A2X	A3M	A3	A4
Custom Control Buttons	24	24	32	24	32	40
Max. Panel Tallies	36	72	72	72	72	108
Number of Rows	1	2	2	3	3	4
Source Buttons per Row	24	24	32	24	32	40
Max. Source Buttons	24	48	64	72	96	160

Table 3: Acuity® Control Panel Comparison (Double-Down Control Panel)

	A1S DD	A2M DD	A2X DD	A3M DD	A3 DD	A4 DD
Custom Control Buttons	21	21	29	21	29	37
Max. Panel Tallies	36	72	72	72	72	108
Number of Rows	1	2	2	3	3	4
Source Buttons per Row	22	22	30	22	30	38
Max. Source Buttons	22	44	60	66	90	152

Switcher Options and Configurations

A typical configuration includes a control panel and an Ultrix™ router with and the Acuity CPU and a number of SDPE blades. For example, the following options create a system with an A2X control panel with redundant power, a 3 MEs, 32 SDI video inputs, 32 video outputs, 72 panel tallies, and redundant power, plus a 3-year extended warranty on both the panel and frame, an Auxiliary Control Panel, and 2 days of commissioning.

Option	Description	Code	Qty.
A2X Panel	The A2X control panel.	A2X-PANEL	1
Redundant Power - Panel	Adds a redundant power supply for the A2X control panel.	A2XP-REDPSU	1
Control Panel Tallies, 36-72	Adds tally options up to 72 tallies.	AP-TALLY-72	1
Auxiliary Control Panel	Adds the Auxiliary Control Panel (Backsplash) that has the same number of source buttons as the A2X control panel.	AP-AUX2RU32	1
Extended Warranty (Panel)	Adds two additional years to the standard 1-year warranty on the panel.	A2XP-ROSSCARE	2
Ultrix™ FR5 Frame	The Ultrix™ 5RU frame with no blades.	ULTRIX-FR5	1
Ultripower	The Ultripower power supply provides power to the router and SDPE blades.	ULTRIPOWER	2
Ultripower PS	Additional power connections for the Ultripower.	ULTRIPOWER-PS	2
Ultrix HDBNC IO	The 16-in, 16-out HD BNC IO Blade.	ULTRIX-HDB-IO-A	2
Acuity CPU	The CPU for the Ultrix Acuity switcher.	ACUFR-CPU	1
SDPE	The hardware for 3 MEs.	ACUFR-VIDPROC	3

Option	Description	Code	Qty.
MEs	The software license for 3 HD MEs.	ACUFR-HD-ME	3
Extended Warranty (SDPE)	Adds two additional years to the standard 1-year warranty on the SDPEs.	ACUFR-VIDPROC-HW	2
Extended Warranty (Frame CPU)	Adds two additional years to the standard 1-year warranty on the Acuity CPU.	ACUFR-CPU-HW	2
Commissioning	Adds 3-days of on-site commissioning of your new switcher.	ACUITY-COM-1DAY	3

Control Panel Options

These options apply to the Acuity™ control panel.

Standard Acuity™ Control Panel

Any Acuity™ control panel can be matched with either Acuity™ frame and have full access to all the features that are available from the frame. The size of the control panel only limits the number of source buttons, panel rows, and tallies, and the placement of modules.

Option	Description
A1S-PANEL	A single panel row with 24 source and custom control buttons, VESA mountable touchscreen display, USB ports for keyboard or mouse control, 1,000 switcher memories, preview overlay, 36 parallel tally outputs, panel glow and user defined button color schemes, and 1-year transferable warranty with lifetime fader handle warranty.
A2M-PANEL	The same features as the previous panel, but with two panel rows with 24 source and custom control buttons each.
A2X-PANEL	The same features as the previous panel, but with two panel rows with 32 source and custom control buttons each.
A3M-PANEL	The same features as the previous panel, but with three panel rows with 24 source and custom control buttons each.

Option	Description
A3-PANEL	The same features as the previous panel, but with three panel rows with 32 source and custom control buttons each.
A4-PANEL	The same features as the previous panel, but with four panel rows with 40 source and custom control buttons each.

Double-Down Acuity™ Control Panel

Any Acuity™ control panel can be matched with either Acuity™ frame and have full access to all the features that are available from the frame. The size of the control panel only limits the number of source buttons, panel rows, and tallies, and the placement of modules.

Option	Description
A1SDD-PANEL	A single panel row with 22 source buttons and 21 custom control buttons, VESA mountable touchscreen display, USB ports for keyboard or mouse control, 1,000 switcher memories, preview overlay, 36 parallel tally outputs, panel glow and user defined button color schemes, and 1-year transferable warranty with lifetime fader handle warranty.
A2MDD-PANEL	The same features as the previous panel, but with two panel rows with 22 source buttons and 21 custom control buttons each.
A2XDD-PANEL	The same features as the previous panel, but with two panel rows with 30 source buttons and 29 custom control buttons each.
A3MDD-PANEL	The same features as the previous panel, but with three panel rows with 22 source buttons and 21 custom control buttons each.
A3DD-PANEL	The same features as the previous panel, but with three panel rows with 30 source buttons and 29 custom control buttons each.
A4DD-PANEL	The same features as the previous panel, but with four panel rows with 38 source buttons and 37 custom control buttons each.

Acuity Rack Panel (AP-SERVER-PANEL)

The Acuity Rack Panel (ARP) server provides the hardware to host the Acuity Virtual Panel which is a browser based virtual representation

of an Acuity™ control panel with menu system. The Acuity Rack Panel replaces the need for the control panel, with the exception of not having any of the ports (Remote and Tally) that are present on the back of the control panel, and is upgraded in the same way as a normal panel.

The tally ports on the frame can be used instead of the panel tallies.

Redundant Power (Panel Only)

The redundant power option adds an additional power supply to the control panel. In the event that one power supply should fail, or the power to that supply is interrupted, the other power supply carries the load of the control panel.

Option	Description
A1SP-REDPSU	Adds redundant power to the A1S control panel.
A2MP-REDPSU	Adds redundant power to the A2M control panel.
A2XP-REDPSU	Adds redundant power to the A2X control panel.
A3MP-REDPSU	Adds redundant power to the A3M control panel.
A3P-REDPSU	Adds redundant power to the A3 control panel.
A4P-REDPSU	Adds redundant power to the A4 control panel.

Auxiliary Control Panels

The Auxiliary Control Panel is designed to extend the control surface of your Acuity™ control panel by providing access to another source bus that can be quickly assigned to any aux bus on the switcher. Additional Auxiliary Control Panels can be daisy-chained together from the same external link port on the control panel. The maximum number of Auxiliary Control Panels that can be daisy-chained together depends on the size of the Auxiliary Control Panel.

- AP-AUX2RU24 – up to 6 daisy-chained together
- AP-AUX2RU32 – up to 6 daisy-chained together
- AP-AUX2RU40 – up to 4 daisy-chained together

The Auxiliary Control Panel is a self contained unit that has both primary and redundant

power supplies. It is designed to mount either on the back of the control panel or into a desk.

Table 4: Auxiliary Control Panel

Option	Description
AP-AUX2RU24	Adds the Auxiliary Control Panel with a single panel row with 24 source buttons, 6 bank select and 8 aux buttons, and 14 control buttons. Fits the A1S, A2M, and A3M control panels.
AP-AUX2RU32	The same features as the previous panel, but with 32 source buttons. Fits the A2X and A3 control panels.
AP-AUX2RU40	The same features as the previous panel, but with 40 source buttons. Fits the A4 control panels.
PSU-12V4A-2PIN	Adds a redundant power supply for the Auxiliary Control Panel.

Ultritouch

The 2RU rack mountable Ultritouch adaptable system control panel allows you to control some aspects of switcher operation using a DashBoard interface.

The DashBoard interface on Ultritouch provides control over aux bus source selections. You must connect to the switcher from Ultritouch to be able to control the switcher functions. Refer to the Ultritouch documentation for information on navigating the Ultritouch menu and manually connecting to a device.



Table 5: Auxiliary Control Panel

Option	Description
ULTRITOUCH-2	Adds the 2RU Ultritouch adaptable system control panel.
ULTRITOUCH-PS	Adds a redundant power supply for Ultritouch.

Extended Warranty (Panel Only)

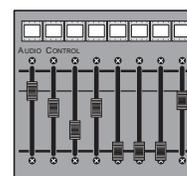
Extends the standard one-year warranty on your control panel by one year. Additional years can be purchased if required.

Option	Description
A1SP-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A1S by a year.

Option	Description
A1SDDP-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A1SDD by a year.
A2MP-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A2M by a year.
A2MDDP-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A2MDD by a year.
A2XP-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A2X by a year.
A2XDDP-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A2XDD by a year.
A3MP-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A3M by a year.
A3MDDP-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A3MDD by a year.
A3P-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A3 by a year.
A3DDP-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A3DD by a year.
A4P-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A4 by a year.
A4DDP-ROSSCARE	Extends the warranty on the A4DD by a year.

Audio Control Module

The Audio Control module provides eight motorized audio faders with source mnemonics that can be mapped to audio channels, or groups, from an audio mixer controlled by the switcher.



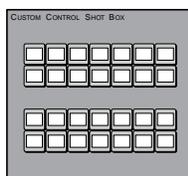
When ordering a module with a new control panel, you must specify the empty slot on the control panel that you want the module installed into. Refer to [Panel Dimensions with Slot Locations](#) on page 24 for slot locations.

Option	Description
AP-AUDIO-SL1	Installs the Audio Control module in slot 1 of your control panel. Can only be ordered with a new control panel.
AP-AUDIO-SL2	Installs the Audio Control module in slot 2 of your control panel. Can only be ordered with a new control panel.

Option	Description
AP-AUDIO-SL3	Installs the Audio Control module in slot 3 of your control panel. Can only be ordered with a new control panel.
AP-AUDIO-UPG	Provides the Audio Control module as a field upgrade kit. Can only be ordered for an existing control panel installation.
AP-SIDESLIDE-E	Provides the Audio Control module in a SideBoxNet enclosure. The SideBoxNet enclosure allows you to mount a single module separate from your control panel. Each enclosure has independent primary and secondary power supplies and an ethernet port to connect the enclosure to your switcher.

Shot Box Module

The Shot Box module provides an additional 28 assignable custom control buttons. Custom Controls from various banks can be grouped together on a single Shot Box Page. Each Shot Box can access up to 28 pages of buttons.



When ordering a module with a new control panel, you must specify the empty slot on the control panel that you want the module installed into. Refer to [Panel Dimensions with Slot Locations](#) on page 24 for slot locations.

Option	Description
AP-SHOTBOX-SL1	Installs the Shot Box module in slot 1 of your control panel. Can only be ordered with a new control panel.
AP-SHOTBOX-SL2	Installs the Shot Box module in slot 2 of your control panel. Can only be ordered with a new control panel.
AP-SHOTBOX-SL3	Installs the Shot Box module in slot 3 of your control panel. Can only be ordered with a new control panel.
AP-SHOTBOX-UPG	Provides the Shot Box module as a field upgrade kit. Can only be ordered for an existing control panel installation.

Option	Description
AP-SIDESHOT-E	Provides the Shot Box module in a SideBoxNet enclosure. The SideBoxNet enclosure allows you to mount a single module separate from your control panel. Each enclosure has independent primary and secondary power supplies and an ethernet port to connect the enclosure to your switcher.

Extended Panel Tallies

The control panel comes with 36 tally relays. Additional tallies can be added in 36-tally increments. The maximum number of tallies that can be added depends on the model of control panel. Each tally option only adds 36 additional tallies. If you want 108 tallies, you must order the 72 and 108 tallies options.

Option	Description
AP-TALLY-72	Installs 36 additional tallies to all control panels for a total of 72 tallies.
AP-TALLY-108	Installs 36 additional tallies to the A4 control panel for a total of 108 tallies.

Replacement Mnemonics (AP-8MNEMONIC)

In the event that the mnemonics on one of your Crosspoint modules needs to be replaced, this option provides a replacement kit with an 8-mnemonic board and installation instructions.

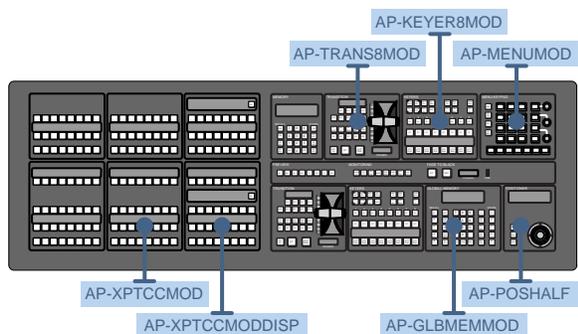
Replacement Touchscreen Display (AP-TOUCHSCREEN-A)

A replacement touchscreen display kit can be ordered as a field replacement of the touchscreen display that comes with the control panel. You cannot use more than one touchscreen display at the same time.

Replacement Control Panel Modules

Replace an existing module that came installed in your control panel.

Use the same module ordering code for all sizes of control panels.



Option	Description
AP-KEYER8MOD	A replacement 8-Key Keyer module.
AP-TRANS8MOD	A replacement 8-Key Transition module.
AP-XPTMOD	A replacement Crosspoint Bus module. This module is only used on the upper rows of the control panel.
AP-DD-XPTMOD	A replacement Double-Down Crosspoint Bus module. This module is only used on the upper rows of the control panel.
AP-XPTMODDISP	A replacement Crosspoint Bus module with display. This module is only used in the right-most position of the upper rows of the control panel.
AP-DD-XPTMODDISP	A replacement Double-Down Crosspoint Bus module with display. This module is only used in the right-most position of the upper rows of the control panel.
AP-XPTCCMOD	A replacement Crosspoint/Custom Control Bus module. This module is only used on the bottom row of the control panel.
AP-DD-XPTCCMOD	A replacement Double-Down Crosspoint/Custom Control Bus module. This module is only used on the bottom row of the control panel.
AP-XPTCCMODDISP	A replacement Crosspoint/Custom Control Bus module with display. This module is only used in the right-most position of the bottom row of the control panel.
AP-DD-XPTCCMODDISP	A replacement Double-Down Crosspoint/Custom Control Bus module with display. This module is only used in the right-most position of the bottom row of the control panel.

Option	Description
AP-GLBMEMMOD	A replacement Global Memory module. Only one module of this type can be installed in the control panel.
AP-MENUMOD	A replacement Menu Keypad module. Only one module of this type can be installed in the control panel.
AP-POSHALF	A replacement Positioner module. Only one module of this type can be installed in the control panel.

Frame Options

These options apply to the Ultrix Acuity frame hardware.

Ultrix Acuity Frame

The Ultrix™ chassis

Option	Description
ULTRIX-FR5	A Ultrix™ 5RU frame with support for up to 4 Software Defined Production Engine (ME) blades and 5 Ultrix HDBNC IO blades. The system comes with no blades installed.

MES

Table 6: 4RU Frame Options

Option	Description
ACUFR-VIDPROC	Adds the SDPE blade for a single HD/UHD ME.
ACUFR-HD-ME	Adds 1 HD ME license.
ACUFR-UHD-ME	Adds 1 HD/UHD ME license.

3D DVE

The 3D DVE option allows every type of key to be squeezed or zoomed, cropped, repositioned, and rotated in 3D space. It can also perform 3D key or background transitions, or build sequences with complex timelines, keyframe editing, and quick sequence recall. 3D DVE also comes equipped with preprocessor effects such as defocus and strobe.

Each 3D DVE option provides 4 channels of 3D DVE per ME (1 in UHDTV1). Each 3D DVE channel has 2 channel resources, allowing for up to 2 channel resources to be dedicated to

each key. This allows you to fly a key, or combine two preset pattern keys in a single keyer for a 2-box. Preset pattern keys only use a single DVE channel resource and all other key types use 2.

Table 7: 4RU Frame

Option	Description
ACUFR-3DDVE-LIC	Adds 4 channels of 3D DVE in HD (1 in UHDTV1) to each ME.

Port Expander

This option adds a Control® DeviceMaster® with four (4) serial ports, effectively increasing the number of available panel remote ports for device control by four (4). The Control® DeviceMaster® connects to the switcher over a single TCP/IP link and then to each device over a dedicated serial port that can be configured as either RS-232 or RS-422.

Option	Description
ACUFR-NETEXPANDER	Adds a Control® DeviceMaster®.

Device Support

The Ultrix Acuity comes standard with support for controlling external VTR (BVW-75), video servers (VDCP, AMP protocols), audio servers, and monitor walls, as well as devices that support the native RossTalk, serial tally, and PBus II protocols. Support for additional classes of devices can be added as required.

The functionality that is supported for a particular device depends on the protocol that is used to control the device and the features that the device has available.

Tip: Visit the help.rossvideo.com/acuity-device/ for device setup information.

Table 8: 4RU Frame

Option	Description
ACUFR-ROUTER	Adds support for controlling a routing switcher.
ACUFR-ROUTER-ROSS	Adds support for controlling a Ross® routing switcher.
ACUFR-ROBOCAM	Adds support for controlling a robotic camera system.
ACUFR-CGII	Adds support for controlling a character generator.

Option	Description
ACUFR-AUDMIXSM	Adds support for controlling a small audio mixer (16 and fewer inputs).
ACUFR-AUDMIXSMY	Adds support for controlling a Yamaha® O1V96 audio mixer.
ACUFR-AUDMIXLG	Adds support for controlling a large audio mixer (17 and more inputs).
ACUFR-AUDMIXLGY	Adds support for controlling a large Yamaha® audio mixer, except the O1V96.

Extended Warranty (Frame Only)

Extends the standard one-year warranty on your frame by one year. Additional years can be purchased if required.

Option	Description
ACUFR-VIDPROC-HW	Extends the warranty on the SDPE blades by a year.
ACUFR-CPU-HW	Extends the warranty on the Acuity CPU by a year.

Training and Commissioning Options

Commissioning, 1-Day

Once the customer has installed and cabled the equipment, a Ross Commissioning expert will come on site to get the switcher configured, verify that all peripheral interfaces are operating properly, provide a basic technical orientation, and help you get on the air.

Table 9: 4RU Frame Options

Option	Description
ACUITY-COM-1DAY	One Day of commissioning conducted at the customer's facility on their equipment.

Training is provided on the customer's equipment at their site. Expenses are extra, and billed at the completion of the visit. Ross Video cannot guarantee the availability of a local Trainer, as such, travel costs to all locations will be invoiced at cost. Two (2) days, or more, of training is recommended for multiple ME systems. Four (4) weeks advanced scheduling

notice is required. Additional days of training can be added if required.

Customers cancellation or rescheduling of services without seven (7) calendar days advanced notice will incur full invoice.

Note: Commissioning does not replace operator or technical training. Contact your Ross Video Sales Representative to discuss which types of assistance are best suited to your needs.

Online Training, 1-Day

Comprehensive, web-based, online training is available from Ross Video trainers.

Table 10: 4RU Frame Options

Option	Description
ACUITY-ONL-1DAY	One Day of online training.

Two (2) days, or more, of training is recommended for multiple ME systems. Four (4) weeks advanced scheduling notice is required. Additional days of training can be added if required.

Customers cancellation or rescheduling of services without seven (7) calendar days advanced notice will incur full invoice.

Operations Training, 1-Day

Operations training is highly recommended to ensure that the process of taking your Ross Video switcher to air is a smooth one.

Table 11: 4RU Frame Options

Option	Description
ACUITY-OTR-1DAY	One Day of operations training conducted at the customer's facility.

Expenses are extra, and billed at the completion of the visit. Ross Video cannot guarantee the availability of a local Trainer, as such, travel costs to all locations will be invoiced at cost. Two (2) days, or more, of training is recommended for multiple ME systems. Four (4) weeks advanced scheduling notice is required. Additional days of training can be added if required.

Customers cancellation or rescheduling of services without seven (7) calendar days advanced notice will incur full invoice.

Technical Training, 1-Day (ACUITY-OTT-1DAY)

Onsite technical training introduces the user to some of the technical aspects of switcher operation and maintenance. This includes, but is not limited to; Basic operation, Switcher installation and configurations, Peripheral interfaces, Video signal flow, System timing requirements, Circuit block diagrams, Circuit board overviews, Jumpers and indicators, Troubleshooting tips, Software upgrading, and Routine maintenance.

Table 12: 4RU Frame Options

Option	Description
ACUITY-OTT-1DAY	One Day of technical training conducted at the customer's facility.

Training is provided on the customer's equipment at their site. Expenses are extra, and billed at the completion of the visit. Ross Video cannot guarantee the availability of a local Trainer, as such, travel costs to all locations will be invoiced at cost. Two (2) days, or more, of training is recommended for multiple ME systems. Four (4) weeks advanced scheduling notice is required. Additional days of training can be added if required.

Customers cancellation or rescheduling of services without seven (7) calendar days advanced notice will incur full invoice.

Specifications

The information in this section is subject to change without notice.

Switcher Resources

The number of resources specific to your switcher depends on the options installed.

Table 13: Switcher Resources in HD and UHDTV1 Modes

Resource	HD	UHDTV1
Custom Controls	2304 (48 Banks × 48 CCs)	
Custom Controls Running	96 (running at the same time)	
Aux Buses	64 (8 Banks × 8 Buses)	
Keyers per ME	6	6
Proc Amp/Color Correctors per ME	8	8
Chroma Keys per ME	2	2
2D DVE Channels per ME	14	6
3D DVE Channels per ME	4	1
3D DVE Warp channels per ME	0	0
Maximum DVE Sequences	1000	
Maximum GPI Inputs or Outputs	24 per ME	
Maximum Frame Tallies	24 per ME	
Ethernet Ports (virtual)	64	
Ultrascope PiPs	8 per ME	
Maximum Video Inputs	80	
Maximum Video Outputs	18	
Max MEs	4	
Memories	1,000	
Media-Store Video Channels	4 per ME	
Media-Store Audio Channels	2 per ME	
Media-Store RAM CACHE	8 Gigabytes	
Clip Register List (VTR/Video Server)	31,837 Clips	

Hardware Weights

Note: Refer to the documentation that came with your router for weight information.

Hardware	Weight
A1S Panel	48lbs (21.8kg)
A2M Panel	57lbs (25.9kg)
A2X Panel	62lbs (28.1kg)
A3 Panel	75lbs (34.0kg)
A3M Panel	74lbs (33.6kg)
A4 Panel	103lbs (46.7kg)

Power Rating

Table 14: Input Voltage

Component	Power Rating
Panel	90-250V~
	47-63Hz

Table 15: Power Consumption

Component	Power Consumption (Full Load)
A1S Panel	159W
A2M Panel	247W
A2X Panel	289W
A3M Panel	340W
A3 Panel	379W
A4 Panel	526W

Ports

Aux Power Ports

The aux power ports on the back of the control panel provide power for the touchscreen display and an auxiliary control panel.



CAUTION: Only use the cables provided to connect your Acuity Auxiliary Control Panel or Touchscreen display to the Auxiliary Power module.

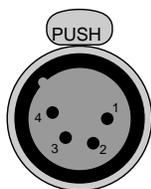


Figure 1: Aux Power Port (female)

Tip: The status LEDs just below the port indicate whether each port is ok (green), or if there is a fault (red). Specific faults are reported on the Status menu.

Table 16: Aux Power Rating

Specification	Value
Output Voltage	12VDC
Maximum Current	4A

Pin	Signal
1	GND
2	n/c
3	n/c
4	+12VDC

Serial Ports

The serial ports on the back of the control panel support the RS-232 (TIA/EIA-232) and RS-422 (TIA/EIA-422) transmission standards.

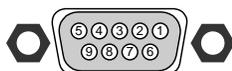


Figure 2: Serial Port (female)

Table 17: Remote Port Pinouts

Pin	RS-232	RS-422
1	n/c	n/c
2	Tx	Rx-
3	Rx	Tx+
4	Ground	Ground
5	Ground	Ground
6	n/c	n/c
7	n/c	Rx+
8	n/c	Tx-
9	n/c	5V 1K Pull-up

External Link Ports



Figure 3: External Link Port (female)

Table 18: External Link Port Pinouts

Pin	Signal
1	Rx+
2	Rx-
3	Tx+
4	PMC_SDI_Load+
5	PMC_SDI_Load-
6	Tx-
7	PMC_SDI_Latch+
8	PMC_SDI_Latch-

GPI Ports

There are GPI ports located on each SDPE blade.

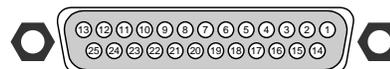


Figure 4: GPI Port (female)

Table 19: GPIO Port Pinouts

Pin	Signal
1	GPI I/O 1
2	GPI I/O 2
3	GPI I/O 3
4	GPI I/O 4
5	GPI I/O 5
6	GPI I/O 6
7	GPI I/O 7
8	GPI I/O 8
9	GPI I/O 9
10	GPI I/O 10
11	GPI I/O 11
12	GPI I/O 12
13	GPI I/O 13
14	GPI I/O 14
15	GPI I/O 15
16	GPI I/O 16
17	GPI I/O 17

Pin	Signal
18	GPI I/O 18
19	GPI I/O 19
20	GPI I/O 20
21	GPI I/O 21
22	GPI I/O 22
23	GPI I/O 23
24	GPI I/O 24
25	Ground

Pin	Tally #
16	16
17	17
18	18
19	19
20	20
21	21
22	22
23	23
24	24
25	Common

Tally Ports

There are tally ports on the control panel and each SDPE blade. The tally ports on the SDPE blade are identified by the ME.

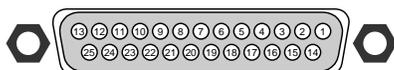


Figure 5: Tally Port (female)

Table 20: Tally Rating

Specification	Value
Input Voltage	24VAC(rms)/40VDC
Maximum Current	120mA
Impedance	<15 ohm

Table 21: Tally Pinouts

Pin	Tally #
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4
5	5
6	6
7	7
8	8
9	9
10	10
11	11
12	12
13	13
14	14
15	15

AES Output

The AES ports each support a single 24-bit (20-bit in SD) stereo pair.



LTC Input



Ordering Codes

Refer to the individual sections for more detailed information on each option.

Table 22: Acuity® Control Panel Options

	A1S	A2M	A2X	A3M	A3	A4
Standard Acuity™ Control Panel	A1S-PANEL	A2M-PANEL	A2X-PANEL	A3M-PANEL	A3-PANEL	A4-PANEL
Double-Down Acuity® Control Panel	A1SDD-PANEL	A2MDD-PANEL	A2XDD-PANEL	A3MDD-PANEL	A3DD-PANEL	A4DD-PANEL
Acuity Rack Panel	AP-SERVER-PANEL					
Redundant Power (Panel Only)	A1SP-REDPSU	A2MP-REDPSU	A2XP-REDPSU	A3MP-REDPSU	A3P-REDPSU	A4P-REDPSU
Auxiliary Control Panel - 24 Buttons with Mnemonics	AP-AUX2RU24	AP-AUX2RU24		AP-AUX2RU24		
Auxiliary Control Panel - 32 Buttons with Mnemonics			AP-AUX2RU32		AP-AUX2RU32	
Auxiliary Control Panel - 40 Buttons with Mnemonics						AP-AUX2RU40
Auxiliary Control Panel - Redundant Power	PSU-12V4A-2PIN					
Ultritouch Adaptable System Control Panel	ULTRITOUCH-2					
Ultritouch Redundant Power	ULTRITOUCH-PS					
Extended Panel Tallies, 72 Total		AP-TALLY-72				
Extended Panel Tallies, 108 Total						AP-TALLY-108
Extended Warranty, 1 Year (Standard Panel Only)	A1SP-ROSSCARE	A2MP-ROSSCARE	A2XP-ROSSCARE	A3MP-ROSSCARE	A3P-ROSSCARE	A4P-ROSSCARE
Extended Warranty, 1 Year (Double-Down Panel Only)	A1SDDP-ROSSCARE	A2MDDP-ROSSCARE	A2XDDP-ROSSCARE	A3MDDP-ROSSCARE	A3DDP-ROSSCARE	A4DDP-ROSSCARE
Panel Module - Audio Control (Field Upgrade)	AP-AUDIO-UPG					
Panel Module - Audio Control (Slot 1)	AP-AUDIO-SL1			AP-AUDIO-SL1	AP-AUDIO-SL1	AP-AUDIO-SL1
Panel Module - Audio Control (Slot 2)	AP-AUDIO-SL2					AP-AUDIO-SL2
Panel Module - Audio Control (Slot 3)	AP-AUDIO-SL3					
Panel Module Replacement - 8-Key Keyer	AP-KEYER8MOD					
Panel Module Replacement - 8-Key Transition	AP-TRANS8MOD					
Panel Module Replacement - Crosspoint	AP-XPTMOD					
Panel Module Replacement - Double-Down Crosspoint	AP-DD-XPTMOD					

	A1S	A2M	A2X	A3M	A3	A4
Panel Module Replacement - Crosspoint with Display	AP-XPTMODDISP					
Panel Module Replacement - Double-Down Crosspoint with Display	AP-DD-XPTMODDISP					
Panel Module Replacement - Crosspoint/Custom Control	AP-XPTCCMOD					
Panel Module Replacement - Double-Down Crosspoint/Custom Control	AP-DD-XPTCCMOD					
Panel Module Replacement - Crosspoint/Custom Control with Display	AP-XPTCCMODDISP					
Panel Module Replacement - Double-Down Crosspoint/Custom Control with Display	AP-DD-XPTCCMODDISP					
Panel Module Replacement - Global Memory	AP-GLBMEMMOD					
Panel Module Replacement - Menu Keypad Module	AP-MENUMOD					
Panel Module Replacement - Positioner	AP-POSHALF					
Panel Module - Shot Box (Field Upgrade)	AP-SHOTBOX-UPG					
Panel Module - Shot Box (Slot 1)	AP-SHOTBOX-SL1		AP-SHOTBOX-SL1	AP-SHOTBOX-SL1	AP-SHOTBOX-SL1	AP-SHOTBOX-SL1
Panel Module - Shot Box (Slot 2)	AP-SHOTBOX-SL2			AP-SHOTBOX-SL2	AP-SHOTBOX-SL2	AP-SHOTBOX-SL2
Panel Module - Shot Box (Slot 3)						AP-SHOTBOX-SL3
Replacement Mnemonics	AP-8MNEMONIC					
Replacement Touchscreen Display	AP-TOUCHSCREEN-A					
Ethernet SideBox Module - SideShotNet	AP-SIDESHOT-E					
Ethernet SideBox Module - SideSlideNet	AP-SIDESLIDE-E					

Table 23: Frame Options

Ultrix Acuity	
Router (speak with your Ultrix™ sales representative for options)	
Ultrix™ Frame	ULTRIX-FR5
HDBNC IO (16-in, 16-out, 2 SFPs)	ULTRIX-HDB-IO-A
Ultripower Chassis with 1 PSU	ULTRIPOWER
Ultripower Additional PSU	ULTRIPOWER-PS
Ultricool	ULTRICOOL
Ultricool Redundant PSU	ULTRICOOL-PS

Ultrix Acuity	
Ultrascope Multi-Viewer	ULTRISCAPE
Switcher Hardware	
Ultrix Acuity CPU	ACUFR-CPU
SDPE Blade (requires ME license)	ACUFR-VIDPROC
Switcher Software Licenses	
Single HD ME License	ACUFR-HD-ME
Single UHD ME License	ACUFR-UHD-ME
Single HD-UHD ME Upgrade License	ACUFR-HD-UHD-ME-UPG
3D DVE License	ACUFR-3DDVE-LIC
Port Expander (Ethernet to Serial)	ACUFR-NETEXPANDER
Routing Switcher Interface	ACUFR-ROUTER
Routing Switcher Interface (Ross Router)	ACUFR-ROUTER-ROSS
Audio Mixer Interface - Small (16 and fewer inputs)	ACUFR-AUDMIXSM
Audio Mixer Interface - Yamaha® 01V96	ACUFR-AUDMIXSMY
Audio Mixer Interface - Large (17 and more inputs)	ACUFR-AUDMIXLG
Audio Mixer Interface - Yamaha® (not 01V96)	ACUFR-AUDMIXLGY
Robotic Camera System Interface	ACUFR-ROBOCAM
Character Generator Interface	ACUFR-CGII
Extended Warranty	
Extended Warranty for SDPE (Adds 1 Year)	ACUFR-VIDPROC-HW
Extended Warranty for Acuity CPU (Adds 1 Year)	ACUFR-CPU-HW

Table 24: Training and Commissioning

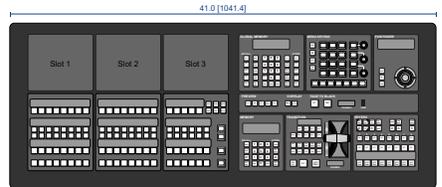
Commissioning - 1 Day	ACUITY-COM-1DAY
Online Training - 1 Day	ACUITY-ONL-1DAY
Operations Training (at Customers Facility) - 1 Day	ACUITY-OTR-1DAY
Technical Training - 1 Day	ACUITY-OTT-1DAY

Panel Dimensions with Slot Locations

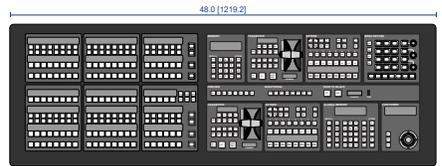
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Dimensions are in inches with metric dimensions shown in brackets [mm].

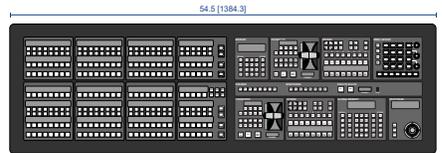
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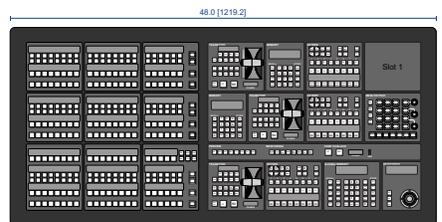
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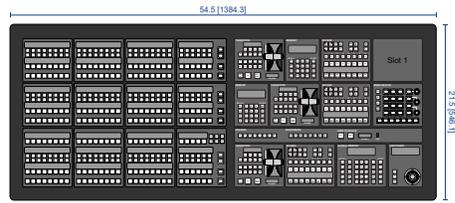
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A3M/A3MDD



A3/A3DD



A4/A4DD

