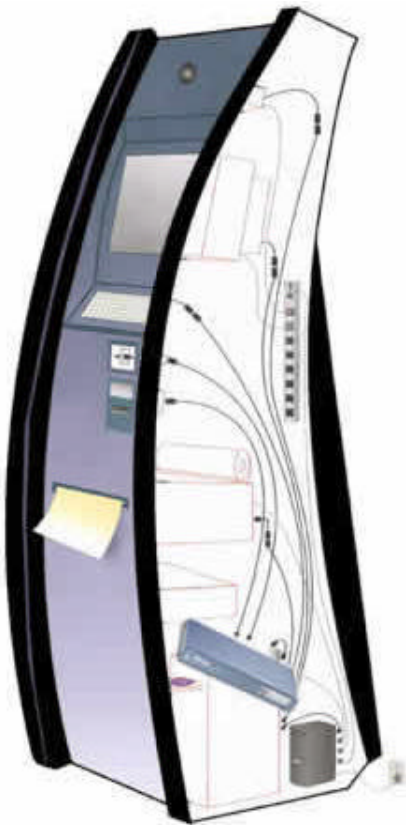


Network-Enabled Point-Of-Sale Kiosk

Application: Network-Enabled POS Kiosk

Quatech Products Used: QSE-100 4 Port RS-232 Ethernet Serial Device Server



Quatech's QSE-100 connects the Touchscreen, Keypad, card reader and printer in this Kiosk. Data from these ports is available to any PC on the network and can be used in applications just as if the PC were physically attached to the devices.

Serial device servers are ideal for Kiosk implementations because they enable remote monitoring and control of the Kiosk.

This means that maintenance can be performed remotely, saving time and maximizing productivity of field-service personnel.

Since many of the point of sale kiosk software packages communicate with a serial port in mind, device servers are an easy way to network the machine, rather than rewriting the application software. Even if the kiosk-based PC has a built-in Ethernet port, it doesn't do any good if the software running on the machine was designed to communicate only through a serial port!

Serial device servers also enable any PC on the network to access the serial devices in the Kiosk as if they were attached to native COM ports. This means data from the Kiosk can be remotely tracked, monitored, and acted upon increasing productivity and eliminating the need for data download from the field. Typical Kiosk-based serial devices that can be implemented with serial device servers include:

- Touchscreens
- Card Readers
- Keyboards
- Keypads
- Receipt Printers
- Video Camera

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