DIGIAC Electronics Program – FACT SHEET

D3000 7.3 - Engine Control and Management



The D3000 7.3 study module introduces students to automotive engine control and management systems through a wide range of practical activities.

This study module has been designed specifically to operate within a DIGIAC modular electronics program. It comprises a circuit board and student laboratory manual housed in an injection molded storage case.

When used in conjunction with a student personal computer (PC), the laboratory manual is fully compatible with the ClassAct computer managed learning system.

The laboratory manual is divided into a series of chapters. Each covers a specific topic area and provides background theory, practical activities and student assessment questions.

Each chapter is designed around a list of performance objectives. These objectives are used by the ClassAct management system to generate a student competency report.

An instructor's solutions book is available, providing solutions to all of the questions and practical activities contained in the laboratory manual.

Typical topic areas include:

- Fuel System Electronics The Basics
- Transducers
- Computers
- Actuators
- Emission Control
- Self Diagnosis and Trouble Codes

Typical activities include:

- Interpret schematic and block diagrams.
- Identify a typical engine control Vref value.
- Identify the reason for using both crankshaft and camshaft position sensors.
- Recognize how to check correct operation of the engine coolant temperature sensor.
- Determine the typical voltages produced by an exhaust gas oxygen sensor.
- Diagnose faults with the throttle position potentiometer.
- State the advantages of computer control for vehicle systems.
- Convert flash type trouble codes into numerical codes.
- Recognize why injection time varies with engine temperature.
- Recognize how mixture strength is affected by injector open time.
- Diagnose faults with injectors.
- Recognize the operating principle of air injection.

Typical activities include:

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- Measure resistance of the EGR solenoid.
- Recognize how to activate computer self-diagnosis and the purpose of a 'wiggle' test.

Items supplied with the D3000 7.3 study module include:

- Circuit board
- Laboratory manual
- Storage case

Additional items required:

- D3000 Experiment Platform (EP) or
 D3000 Virtual Instrument Platform
 - D3000 Virtual Instrument Platform (VIP)
- Digital Multimeter*
- Oscilloscope*
- Note that separate test instruments are not needed if the D3000 VIP is used, as all required test equipment is provided in the form of on-screen 'virtual' instruments.

If a D3000 VIP is used, or if the study module is to be used in a ClassAct computer managed learning environment, then a student PC will also be required.

Optional supporting items include:

Instructor's Solutions Book.

Module Facts

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	No.	Average
		time
Chapters	15	70 minutes
	Total	17.5 hours



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