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Impulse 4000 Defibrillator Analyzer**

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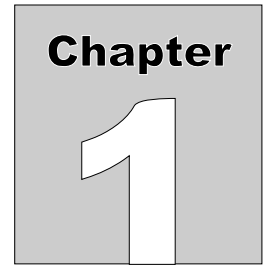


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# 1 Overview

vPad-XSC™ for **Impulse 4000** (referred to as "*the Interface*" in this manual) is an intelligent hardware interface which supports vPad electrical safety analyzers having the vPad-Check™ software application (App) installed. The Interface allows vPad-Check to conduct automated maintenance and inspection sequences on defibrillators using the **Impulse 4000** analyzer.

In addition to automated control of **Impulse 4000** operation, the vPad-XSC provides automatic assessment of measurement results based on user-defined limits

This manual provides guidance for users integrating vPad-Check™ and vPad-XSC™ for **Impulse 4000** into new and existing maintenance processes.

## 1.1 Standard Accessories

- XSC Interface unit (P/N 7400-109 or 7400-110)
- RJ-12 cable (P/N 3140-069) for connection to XBUS of vPad safety analyzer
- User Manual (P/N 6100-024)

## 1.2 Optional Accessories

- DB9F to DB25F null modem cable (P/N 3140-442) for connection to **Impulse 4000** (Assman AK124-3-R)

For a complete list of available accessories, visit [www.datrend.com](http://www.datrend.com) or contact Datrend Customer Service (see Chapter 5 for contact details)

## 1.3 Checklists and vPL

In vPad-Check, equipment maintenance and inspection procedures are called **Checklists**. A Checklist can contain a sequence of prompts for the operator as well as machine instructions to configure the vPad safety analyzer and to conduct other tests through a remote instrument. In this case, the remote instrument is an **Impulse 4000** defibrillator and transcutaneous pacemaker analyzer.

In a Checklist, prompts and machine instructions are written as statements in **vPad Programming Language** (vPL). A statement generally consists of a specific keyword followed by one or more parameters. For example, the statement

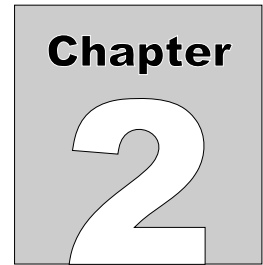
```
xopen "Impulse 4000 XSC" | D | 5
```

initializes a data connection between the Interface and **Impulse 4000** using the keyword “**xopen**”. Other statements are responsible for configuring and initiating tests through **Impulse 4000**.

Checklists can be written on the Android tablet, or on a personal computer (PC), using a text editor, or using the Datrend vPad-IDE. Once a new Checklist has been written, it can be imported to vPad-Check through a USB flash drive, via Bluetooth or a cloud service (Dropbox, Google Drive or OneDrive). Further information on Checklists and vPL, including a full list of vPL keywords, is provided in the **vPad-**

**Check Operating Manual** which can be opened with the Datrend Docs app:





## 2 Connection and Setup

Verify DIP switches on the Interface unit are set appropriately for your application: for a wired setup, DIP switch 3 (BTENA) is set to the **OFF** position, and the remaining two are set to **ON**.

For a wired setup, connect the DB9 serial port of the Interface to the DB9 serial port of **Impulse 4000** using the null modem serial cable (P/N 3140-400) provided with the Interface.

Connect the XBUS port on the Interface to the XBUS port on the vPad safety analyzer using the RJ12 cable (P/N 3140-069) provided with the Interface. Note that the two XBUS ports on the Interface are interchangeable. This enables several vPad-XSC interfaces of different types to be chained in series if necessary.

Once connected to the vPad safety analyzer, the “Power” indicator on the Interface should light up to show that it is now ready for operation.

Power up **Impulse 4000** .

The system is now ready for operation.



## 3 Checklist Programming

A Checklist contains operator prompts and machine instructions for conducting an automated maintenance and inspection sequence. To create or edit a Checklist (with a *.vpl* extension), you may use any text editor that works with plain text (*.txt*) files, or use the Datrend API program vPad-IDE. Sample Checklists to control **Impulse 4000** through the Interface are provided with the vPad-Check installation.

A Checklist that controls **Impulse 4000** may consist of at least three types of instructions: initialization, configuration, and test.

### 3.1 Initialization

Before attempting to send commands to **Impulse 4000**, a Checklist must first initialize the connection. For example, the vPL statement

```
xopen"Impulse 4000 XSC" | D | 5
```

causes the Interface to attempt handshaking with **Impulse 4000**. The character "D" in uppercase is an identifier which represents the vPad-XSC™ for **Impulse 4000**; the "D" is mandatory and enables vPad-Check to address commands to the **Impulse 4000** Interface specifically. The value "5" sets a delay time in seconds, after which the data connection is checked before proceeding with subsequent Checklist steps; this value can be reduced to "2" if a wired connection is in use. **Impulse 4000 XSC** is simply a description of the device under control by the Interface and this may be modified to a different description, if desired. For a complete explanation of the "xopen" statement, refer to the **vPad-Check Operating Manual**.

When vPad-Check encounters this statement, it will interrogate the Interface and notify the operator whether initialization was successful. If handshaking succeeds, the "Online" indicator will light up on the Interface unit. If not, the operator should verify connections and power, then retry the initialization.

## 3.2 Configuration

As an optional function, the Interface has the ability to automatically assign a pass/fail result for measurement data obtained from **Impulse 4000**. Configuration statements can set limits for automatic pass/fail assessment, as well as to change **Impulse 4000** settings for defibrillator and pacemaker tests. In a Checklist, pass/fail limits and **Impulse 4000** settings are configured with "**xctrl**" statements. For more information on the "**xctrl**" statement, refer to the **vPad-Check Operating Manual**.

### 3.2.1 Setting Limits and Tolerances

The Interface supports the following **Impulse 4000** test functions:

- defibrillator energy
- defibrillator charge time
- defibrillator sync delay (cardioversion)
  
- pacer pulse
- pacer refractory period
- pacer noise immunity
- pacer sensitivity

When automatically assigning a pass or fail, each test utilizes one or more pass/fail limits which are stored in the Interface's memory. Limits are initialized to default values when power is applied to the Interface, but may be modified through the "**lim**" command. Modified limit settings do not persist once the Interface is disconnected from the vPad safety analyzer, or the safety analyzer is powered off. Limits are set as required during Checklist runtime.

Limit configuration statements in vPL are of the form

```
xctrl"< info >" | lim< id >,< type >,< p1 >,< p2 >
```

where:

- < **info** > is a description of the limit setting, which is briefly displayed to the user
- < **id** > is an ID number (1, 2, 3...) representing the limit to be set,
- < **type** > is the type of limit, such as a target with % tolerance or a min, max or range,
- < **p1** > is the first pass/fail threshold, the effect of which depends on limit type, and
- < **p2** > is a second pass/fail threshold which, again, depends on limit type.

**Table 1** lists the permitted values for the “**lim**” command. Additionally, any limit type can be set to “**none**”, which disables automatic assessment for the affected test types. If the Interface receives a limit configuration command with a disallowed limit type, that particular limit will be disabled.

Note that the units of measurement are assumed when specifying a limit value.

**TABLE 1: Allowed Values for Limit Configuration**

<b>lim</b>	<b>&lt;limit_ID&gt;</b> ,	<b>&lt;limit_type&gt;</b> ,	<b>&lt;param_1&gt;</b> ,	<b>&lt;param_2&gt;</b>
TEST LIMIT	ALLOWABLE VALUES in <b>bold</b>			
defib energy	1	<b>target</b>	0 to <b>999</b> %/J	<b>percent or units</b>
		<b>range</b>	0 to <b>999</b> J	0 to <b>999</b> J
defib charge time	2	<b>max</b>	0 to <b>32000</b> s	-
defib sync delay	3	<b>min</b>	0 to <b>32000</b> ms	-
		<b>max</b>	0 to <b>32000</b> ms	-
		<b>range</b>	0 to <b>32000</b> ms	0 to <b>32000</b> ms
pacer pulse current	4	<b>target</b>	0 to <b>999</b> %/mA	<b>percent or units</b>
		<b>range</b>	0 to <b>999</b> mA	0 to <b>999</b> mA
pacer pulse rate	5	<b>target</b>	0 to <b>999</b> %/PPM	<b>percent or units</b>
pacer pulse width	6	<b>target</b>	0 to <b>999</b> %/ms	<b>percent or units</b>
N/A	7			
pacer paced refractory period	8	<b>min</b>	0 to <b>32000</b> ms	-
		<b>max</b>	0 to <b>32000</b> ms	-
		<b>range</b>	0 to <b>32000</b> ms	0 to <b>32000</b> ms
pacer sensed refractory period	9	<b>min</b>	0 to <b>32000</b> ms	-
		<b>max</b>	0 to <b>32000</b> ms	-
		<b>range</b>	0 to <b>32000</b> ms	0 to <b>32000</b> ms



### 3.2.1.1 Example 1: Setting a Defibrillator Energy Limit

To illustrate how the “lim” command is used, consider following statement:

```
xctrl "Setting defib energy tol. to 10%" | lim1,target,10,percent
```

For this statement,

**1** immediately following the “lim” command specifies the limit is for defib energy;  
**target** specifies the limit type as a target with tolerance, as opposed to a min/max range;  
**10** is the tolerance value ( $\pm 10$ ); and  
**percent** sets the tolerance type as a percentage, as opposed to a number of joules (`units`).

Note that this defib energy limit will be shared for all three defibrillator tests (defibrillator energy, charge time, and sync delay). The "target" value referred to above is not included with the limit, but is specified in the vPL statement that executes the energy measurement itself.

### 3.2.1.2 Example 2: Setting Defibrillator Charge Time Limit

In this next example, the vPL statement sets the defib charge time limit to a maximum of 12 seconds:

```
xctrl "Setting charge time limit to max. 12 sec" | lim2,max,12
```

For this statement,

**2** immediately following the “lim” command specifies the limit is for charge time;  
**max** specifies limit type as maximum, the only allowable type for charge time,  
**12** is the maximum value (12 seconds)

In this case, the “lim” command does not include a `<param_2>` since it is not required.

Limits persist until modified by a “xctrl” statement. There is no need to set a defib energy limit for a charge time test if it has previously been set for a defibrillator energy test.

### 3.2.1.3 Example 3: Setting Pacemaker Pulse Current Limit

The following vPL statement sets pacer pulse current limit to a target with tolerance in mA:

```
xctrl "Setting pulse current tol. to +/-3mA" | lim4,target,3,units
```

For this statement,

**4** immediately following the "lim" command specifies the limit is for pacer current;  
**target** specifies the limit type as a target with tolerance, as opposed to a min/max range;  
**3** is the tolerance value ( $\pm 3$ ); and  
**units** sets the tolerance type as a number of milliamps as opposed to % (**percent**).

The "target" value referred to above is not included with the limit, but is specified in the vPL statement that executes the pacer pulse test itself.

#### **3.2.1.4 Example 4: Disabling a Limit**

Sometimes automatic assessment may not be desirable, in which case a vPL statement similar to the following can be used to disable a particular limit. For example:

```
xctrl "Disabling pulse width limit" | lim6,none
```

For this statement,

**6** immediately following the "**lim**" command specifies the limit is for pacer pulse width;  
**none** sets the limit to "**none**", disabling automatic pass/fail. Other parameters of the command are omitted because they are not necessary.

Once a limit has been disabled, a target specified in a "**xtest**" statement will appear in the Test Record, but the corresponding measurement value will not be passed or failed automatically.

### 3.2.2 Resetting Limits to Defaults

The following vPL statement resets all limit settings to defaults:

```
xctrl "< info >" | rslm
```

where:

< **info** > is a descriptive message which is briefly displayed to the user.

**Table 2** lists the limit default values, which are assigned at power-on of the Interface, or in response to the "**rslm**" command as above.

**TABLE 2: Default Limit Settings**

TEST LIMIT	ID	DEFAULT VALUES		
		LIMIT TYPE	PARAMETER 1	PARAMETER 2
defib energy	1	target	± 15 %	percent
defib charge time	2	max	15 s	-
defib sync delay	3	range	20 ms min	65 ms max
pacemaker pulse current	4	target	± 10 %	percent
pacemaker pulse rate	5	target	± 2 PPM	units
pacemaker pulse width	6	none	-	-
N/A	7	none	-	-
pacemaker paced refractory period	8	none	-	-
pacemaker sensed refractory period	9	none	-	-

### 3.2.3 ECG Simulation

**Impulse 4000** simulates ECG signals while conducting defibrillator and pacemaker tests. A Checklist may select an ECG waveform through the Interface. This is typically done prior to performing a defib or pacer test. ECG configuration statements are of the form

```
xctrl "< info >" | ECG,< lead >,< wave >
```

where:

- < **info** > is a description of the waveform, which is briefly displayed to the user
- < **lead** > is the ECG lead configuration,
- < **wave** > is the ECG waveform identifier.

#### 3.2.3.1 Example 1: Configuring ECG Simulation

The following vPL statement configures **Impulse 4000's** ECG simulator:

```
xctrl "Setting ECG to NSB120" | ECG, II, NSB120
```

For this statement,

- ECG** is the **Impulse 4000** remote command for ECG simulation,
- II** lead configuration, either I or II
- NSB120** is the waveform designation

This type of statement would typically precede a statement that tests defibrillator energy or other aspect of defibrillator performance. Note that only certain waveforms should be used with Defibrillator tests (\*) or Cardioversion tests (\*\*).

ECG waveform designations:

ZERO	zero output, ECG off	NSB30	Normal sinus rhythm @30BPM
SQU	2-Hz square wave	NSB60 **	Normal sinus rhythm @60BPM
PUL	4-second pulse	NSB80 **	Normal sinus rhythm @80BPM
SIN0.05	0.05-Hz sine wave	NSB120 **	Normal sinus rhythm @120BPM
SIN0.5	0.5-Hz sine wave	NSB160	Normal sinus rhythm @160BPM
SIN1	1-Hz sine wave	NSB200	Normal sinus rhythm @200BPM
SIN10	10-Hz sine wave	NSB240	Normal sinus rhythm @240BPM

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SIN25	25-Hz sine wave	NSB300	Normal sinus rhythm @300BPM
SIN30	30-Hz sine wave	TRG	Trigeminy
SIN40	40-Hz sine wave	RUN5	Run of 5 PVC's
SIN50	50-Hz sine wave	RUN11	Run of 11 PVC's
SIN60	60-Hz sine wave	VNT	Ventricular rhythm 120BPM
SIN100	100-Hz sine wave	VTC130 *	Ventricular tachycardia 130BPM
SIN125	125-Hz sine wave	VTC175 *	Ventricular tachycardia 175BPM
SIN150	150-Hz sine wave	VTC180 *	Ventricular tachycardia 180BPM
SQ1K	1-kHz square wave	VTC185 *	Ventricular tachycardia 185BPM
TRI	2-Hz sine wave	VTC220 *	Ventricular tachycardia 220BPM
AF1 **	Atrial fibrillation 1, coarse	VFB1 *	Ventricular fibrillation 1, coarse
AF2 **	Atrial fibrillation 2, fine	VFB2 *	Ventricular fibrillation 2, coarse
AFL	Atrial flutter	ASY1	Asystole 1, some movement
SINA	Sinus arrhythmia	ASY2	Asystole 2, flat
1DB	1st degree AV block	ASN	Asynchronous, continuous, transvenous paced
2DB1	2nd degree AV block, Type 1, Wenckebach	DM1	Demand 1, mostly paced, transvenous paced
2DB2	2nd degree AV block, Type 2	DM2	Demand 2, mostly paced, transvenous paced
3DB	3rd degree AV block	AVS	Atrioventricular sequential, transvenous paced
PVC1	PVC type 1	NCA	Noncapture, transvenous paced
PVC2	PVC type 2	NFU	Nonfunctional, transvenous paced
MF	Multifocal PVC's	TQASYS	Asystole, transcutaneous paced
PAIR	Pair or couplet of PVC's	TQBRAD	Bradycardia, transcutaneous paced
BIG	Bigeminy	TQDEM	Demand, transcutaneous paced
		TQNC	Noncapture, transcutaneous paced

\* allowable DEFIBWAVE settings

\*\* allowable CARDIOWAVE settings

### 3.3 Defibrillator Tests

Once a Checklist has initialized communication with the Interface, configured **Impulse 4000** test settings and, optionally, prepared limits for automatic pass/fail assessment, vPad is ready to execute a range of defibrillator tests. A typical Checklist will include prompts instructing the operator how to set up the defibrillator and **Impulse 4000**, followed by remote test statements.

While executing a test, the Interface acts as an intermediary that relays commands to **Impulse 4000** and reformats the numerical results into a form suitable for vPad-Check and the Test Record.

vPL statements which trigger a remote test begin with the **"xtest"** keyword, in the form

```
xtest "< instr >" | < cmd >, < par1 >, < par2 >, . . .
```

where:

- < **instr** > is an instruction that is displayed to the user while the test is in progress,
- < **cmd** > is a command representing the test to be executed by **Impulse 4000**, and
- < **par1** >
- < **par2** > ... are optional parameters associated with automatic pass/fail assessment of the measurement results, separated by commas (" , ").

The number of parameters specified in the **"xtest"** statement depends on the test to be executed. Automatic pass/fail assessment is disabled if a required parameter has not been specified in the statement. In this case, a "---" will appear in the Test Record report.

For a detailed description of the vPL **"xtest"** statement, refer to **vPad-Check Operating Manual**.

### 3.3.1 Defibrillator Energy Test

To perform a defibrillator energy test, use a vPL statement of the form

```
xtest      "< instr >" | DE< range >< fmt >,< wave >,<target>
```

where:

**<instr>** is an instruction to be displayed to the user while the energy test is in progress,  
**DE** is the command to measure defib energy,  
**<range>** can be “**L**” for low range (up to 50 joules) or “**H**” for high (up to 600 joules),  
**<fmt>** can be “**S**” for short report format or “**L**” for long format, and  
**<wave>** is the optional designation of the waveform to be output , and  
**<target>** is an optional energy target (in joules) for automatic pass/fail assessment

Note the comma (“,”) separating the required parameters from the waveform designator and the optional target energy.

#### 3.3.1.1 Example 8: Measuring Defibrillator Energy

A Checklist may start a defibrillator energy test with a target of 2 joules through a vPL statement similar to the following:

```
xtest      "Set Energy to 10J, and\nDISCHARGE defib!\n\nVerify energy is 8.5  
to 11.5J" | DELL,VFB1,10
```

For this statement,

**DEL** commands **Impulse 4000** to prepare for a low-range discharge,  
**L** instructs the Interface to prepare a long report, and  
**VFB1** instructs the Interface to set the ECG wave to **VFB1** , and  
**10** is the optional target energy (J)

Assuming the defib energy limit is set to its default value, the Interface automatically assigns a “PASS” result if the energy measured is  $10\text{ J} \pm 15\%$ . For the case of a “PASS”, the Test Report will contain an entry similar to the following:

If a parameter is not specified, its position in the statement must be present but left blank. For instance, if no waveform is to be defined, the above statement would be changed to:

```
xtest      "Set Energy to 10J, etc." | DELL,,10
```

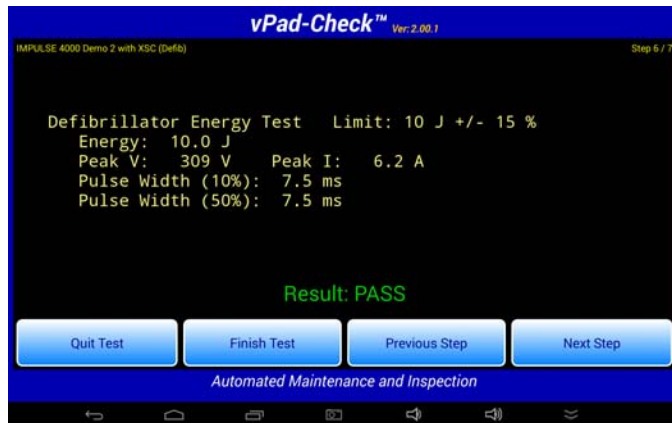
For the test shown above the long format has been specified (**DELL**) and would appear in the Test Record as:

---

**Task:** Set energy to 10J, etc.  
**Data:** Defibrillator Energy Test Limit: 10 J +/- 15 %  
Energy: 10.0 J  
Peak V: 309 V Peak I: 6.2 A  
Pulse Width (10%): 7.5 ms  
Pulse Width (50%): 7.5 ms  
**Result:** PASS

---

The results would display on the tablet as:



If less information is needed, the short form report can be used by using **DELS** instead of **DELL**.

---

**Task:** Set energy to 10J and DISCHARGE defib!  
Verify energy is 8.5 to 11.5J  
**Data:** Defibrillator Energy Test: Limit:10 J +/- 15 %  
Energy: 10.9 J  
**Result:** PASS

---



### 3.3.2 Defibrillator Charge Time Test

To perform a defibrillator charge time test, use a vPL statement of the form

```
xtest      "< instr >" | DCH< fmt >,< targ >,<wave>
```

where:

- < **instr** > is an instruction to be displayed to the user while the charge time test is in progress,
- DCH** is the command to measure defib charge time,
- < **fmt** > can be either "S" or "L", as there is only one test result format,
- < **wave** > is ECG waveform designator, selected from the ECG table with \*\* indicators, and
- < **targ** > is an optional energy target (in joules) for automatic pass/fail assessment

Note the comma (",") separating the required parameters from the optional target energy.

#### 3.3.2.1 Example 9: Measuring Defibrillator Charge Time

A Checklist may start a defibrillator charge time test with a standard target energy equal to the maximum energy that the defibrillator can supply using a vPL statement similar to the following:

```
xtest "Charge when Impulse 4000 shows MAXESTART, then discharge.\n\nVerify charge time is less than 10 seconds" | DCHS,AFB1,360
```

For this statement,

- DCH** commands **Impulse 4000** to initiate a charge time test;
- S** is a placeholder which may be either "S" or "L" (does not affect report)

Assuming that defib energy and charge time limits are set to defaults, the Interface automatically assigns a "PASS" result if the charge time is less than 10 s. For the case of a "PASS", the Test Report will contain an entry similar to the following:

If a parameter is not specified, its position in the statement must be present but left blank. For instance, if no waveform is to be defined, the above statement would be changed to:

```
xtest "Charge when Impulse 4000 shows MAXESTART, etc." | DEHS,,360
```

This will result in a typical test report result:

---

```
Task:      Charge when Impulse 4000 shows MAXESTART, etc.
Data:      Defibrillator Charge Time
Test:      Energy Limit: 360 J +/- 15 %
           Energy:      363.9 J
           Maximum Charge Time: 10 s
           Result:      21.0 s
Result:    FAIL
```

---

### 3.3.3 Defibrillator Sync Delay (Cardioversion) Test

To perform a defibrillator sync delay test, use a vPL statement of the form

```
xtest "< instr >" | DS< range >,< wave >,< targ >
```

where:

- < **instr** > is an instruction to be displayed to the user while the sync test is in progress,
- DS** is the command to measure defib sync delay,
- < **range** > can be “**L**” for low range (up to 50 joules) or “**H**” for high (up to 600 joules),
- < **wave** > is ECG waveform designator, selected from the ECG table with \* indicators, and
- < **targ** > is an optional energy target (in joules) for automatic pass/fail assessment.

Note the comma (“,”) separating the required parameters from the optional target energy.

#### 3.3.3.1 Example 10: Measuring Defibrillator Sync Delay

A Checklist may start a defibrillator sync delay test with a target of 20 joules through a vPL statement similar to the following:

```
xtest "Set defib to sync mode and discharge now!" | DSH,AF2,20
| 5
```

For this statement,

- DSH** commands *Phase 3* to prepare for a high-range, sync’ed discharge;
- AF2** is the waveform designator from the ECG table; and
- 20** is the optional energy target (J).

Assuming that defib energy and sync delay limits are set to defaults, the Interface automatically assigns a "PASS" result if the energy measured is  $20 \text{ J} \pm 15 \%$  and sync delay is between 20 ms and 65 ms. For the case of a "PASS", the Test Report will contain an entry similar to the following:

---

**Task:** Set defib to sync mode and discharge now!  
**Data:** Defibrillator Sync Delay Test  
**Test:** Energy Limit: 20 J +/- 15 %  
Energy: 20.2 J  
Delay Limit: Min 20 ms Max 64 ms  
Result: 32.2 ms  
**Result:** PASS

---

## 3.4 Pacemaker Tests

Once a Checklist has initialized communication with the Interface, configured test settings and, optionally, prepared limits for automatic pass/fail assessment, vPad is ready to execute a range of pacemaker tests. A typical Checklist will include prompts instructing the operator how to set up the pacer and **Impulse 4000**, followed by remote test statements.

### 3.4.1 Pacemaker Pulse Test

To perform a pacer pulse test, use a vPL statement of the form

```
xtest "< instr >" | PPPN,< targ1 >,<targ2>
```

where:

- < **instr** > is an instruction to be displayed to the user while the pacer pulse test is in progress,
- PPPN** is the command for measuring pacer pulses,
- < **targ1** > is the optional target for automatic pass/fail assessment, for pulse current (in ma)
- < **targ2** > is the optional target for automatic pass/fail assessment, for pulse rate (in PPM [pulse per minute])

Note the comma (“,”) separating the required parameters from the optional target values. In order to enable automatic assessment, the statement must specify both the pulse current and the pulse rate target. Pulse width and pulse energy measurements are assessed if targets are included, and ignored if they are not.

#### 3.4.1.1 Example 11: Measuring Pacemaker Pulse

A Checklist may start a pacemaker pulse test through a vPL statement similar to the following:

```
xtest"Wait! Then verify pacer pulse test result" | PPPN,30,70
```

For this statement,

- PPPN** commands *Phase 3* to begin analyzing pacer pulses,
- 30** is the optional target pulse current (mA), and
- 70** is the optional target pulse rate (PPM).

Assuming that pacer pulse current and rate limits are set to defaults, the Interface automatically assigns a "PASS" result if the measured current is 30 mA  $\pm 10\%$  and pulse rate is 70 PPM  $\pm 2$  PPM. For the case of a "PASS", the Test Report will contain an entry similar to the following:

```

Task:   Wait! Then verify pacer pulse test result
Data:   Pacemaker Pulse Test:
                Acceptable Limits           Results
    Current:   30 mA +/- 10 %           29.8 mA
    Rate:      70 PPM +/- 2 PPM         70.1 PPM
    Width:     --- ms +/- ---           18.27 ms
Result: PASS

```

---

A placeholder "-" appears in the test data whenever a target is not specified or a limit is not enabled.

### 3.4.2 Pacemaker Refractory Period Test

To perform a pacemaker refractory test, use a vPL statement of the form

```
xtest"< instr >" | PRF< fmt >
```

where:

< **instr** > is an instruction to be displayed to the user while the refractory test is in progress, **PRF** is the command to measure pacer refractory period, and < **fmt** > can be either "S" or "L", as there is only one test result format.

**Impulse 4000** measures two pulse characteristics for this test: the paced refractory period (PRP) and the sensed refractory period (SRP). Since the only limit types allowed for both measurements are "min", "max", and "range", no target is needed in the "xtest" statement. Results are automatically passed or failed after pacer PRP and SRP limits have been enabled.

#### 3.4.2.1 Example 12: Measuring Pacemaker Refractory Period

A Checklist may start a pacemaker refractory test with automatic pass/fail through vPL statements similar to the following:

```
xctrl "Setting PRP limit: 200 to 500ms" | lim8,range,200,500
```

```
xctrl  "Setting SRP limit: max 300ms" | lim9,max,300
xtest  "Wait! Then verify refractory test result" | PRFS
```

For the above “xtest” statement,

PRF commands *Phase 3* to immediately begin testing the pacer refractory period, and S is a placeholder, which may also be “L”

Since the PRP limit and SRP limit are enabled prior to running the test, the Interface automatically assigns a “PASS” result if the PRP is between 200 ms and 500 ms, and SRP is less than 300 ms. For the case of a "PASS", the Test Report will contain an entry similar to the following:

---

**Task:** Wait! Then verify pacer refractory test result  
**Data:** Pacer Refractory Test:  
Pacer Rate: 141 PPM

	Min	Max	Result
Paced Refr. (ms):	200	500	202
Sensed Refr. (ms):	---	500	155

**Result:** PASS

---

A placeholder " - - " appears in the test data whenever a limit is not applicable, for example, a minimum SRP when the limit is set to "max", or when the limit has not been enabled.

### 3.5 Direct Commands

The interface box provides the flexibility to the VPL programmer to use the 'normal' **Impulse 4000** remote control commands directly by putting a special token '#' in front of a **Impulse** command, for example, **#LOC**.

Example:

```
xctrl "Go to LOCAL mode" | #LOC
```

There is, however, some limitations to the use of the direct commands. Basically, only control commands without any return data can be used this way. The interface box waits for a '\*' confirmation from the **Impulse** after sending the commands, then sends an acknowledgement to the vPad-check Procedure, and finishes the command execution.

For a detailed description of the vPL Procedure language, refer to **vPad-Check Operating Manual**.

## 4 Appendix A - VPL Procedures

The following are examples of VPL Procedures using the **454 XSC** interface

### Example 1:

```
// Demo checklist using a Impulse 4000 with XSC interface for defib
// energy and other measurements. Energies tested are 5, 10, 50, 100,
// 200 and maximum energy (charge time test).
// Cardioversion/sync is also tested.
// Note, the // indicates that this line is commented out and will not be processed
// as part of the test

// Display Checklist title
prompt "Demo of Impulse 4000 Defib\nRemote Control via XSC" | bold

// Setup instructions
//prompt "Impulse 4000 setup"

// Initialize connection with XSC
xopen "Impulse 4000 XSC" | D | 5

// Disable automatic assessment for defib energy
// Pass/fail is by manual entry, based on displayed acceptance ranges
// (15% tolerance)
//xctrl "Disabling automatic PASS/FAIL..." | liml,none,
//
//
//// Enable automatic assessment for defib energy (15% tolerance)
xctrl "Setting Energy tolerance to 15% of target..." | liml,target,15,percent | 5
//
//// Repeat for 10J energy
prompt "DEFIB ENERGY TEST\n\n"+
      "1. Set defib energy to 10 JOULES.\n\n"+
      "2. Charge up the defib.\n\n"+
      "3. Wait two seconds.\n\n"+
      "4. Press 'Next Step' button after defib has charged." | medium
xtest "DISCHARGE defib!\n\nVerify energy is 8.5 to 11.5J" | DELL,VFB1,10

//// Repeat for 50J energy (high range test)
//prompt "DEFIB ENERGY TEST\n\n"+
//      "1. Set defib energy to 50 JOULES.\n\n"+
//      "2. Charge up the defib.\n\n"+
//      "3. Wait two seconds.\n\n"+
```



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```
//          "4. Press 'Next Step' button after defib has charged." | medium
//xctest  "DISCHARGE defib!\n\nVerify energy is 43 to 58J" | DEHL,VFB1,50 | 5
//
//// Repeat for 100J energy (high range test)
//prompt  "DEFIB ENERGY TEST\n\n"+
//        "1. Set defib energy to 100 JOULES.\n\n"+
//        "2. Charge up the defib.\n\n"+
//        "3. Wait two seconds.\n\n"+
//        "4. Press 'Next Step' button after defib has charged." | medium
//xctest  "DISCHARGE defib!\n\nVerify energy is 85 to 115J" | DEHL,VFB1,100 | 2
//
//// Repeat for 200J energy (high range test)
//prompt  "DEFIB ENERGY TEST\n\n"+
//        "1. Set defib energy to 200 JOULES.\n\n"+
//        "2. Charge up the defib.\n\n"+
//        "3. Wait two seconds.\n\n"+
//        "4. Press 'Next Step' button after defib has charged." | medium
//xctest  "DISCHARGE defib!\n\nVerify energy is 170 to 230J" | DEHL,VFB1,200 | 2
//
//// Change automatic charge time limit to 10 seconds
//// Pass/fail is by manual entry because energy setting is not specified
xctrl    "Setting Charge Time limit to 10 sec maximum..." | lim2,max,10 | 5
//
// Charge time test at max energy (high range test)
prompt   "CHARGE TIME TEST\n\n"+
        "1. Set defib energy to operate from battery.\n\n"+
        "2. Set defib energy to MAXIMUM.\n\n"+
        "3. DO NOT CHARGE until Impulse 4000 shows 'MAXESTART'.\n\n"+
        "4. Discharge IMMEDIATELY AFTER defib reaches set energy.\n\n"+
        "5. Press 'Next Step' button when ready to proceed..." | medium
xctest   "Charge when Impulse 4000 shows MAXESTART, then discharge.\n\n"+
        "Verify charge time is less than 10 seconds" | DCHS,VFB1,300

// Set Phase 3 ECG simulator to Coarse AFIB
//xctrl   "Setting ECG to Coarse AFIB..." | ECGDA10 | -2
//
// Enable automatic assessment for sync delay (20 - 64 milliseconds)
xctrl    "Setting sync delay range to 20 - 64 msec..." | lim3,range,20,64 | 2

// Cardioversion test (high range test; sync to Q-wave)
prompt   "CARDIOVERSION TEST\n\n"+
        "1. Set defib energy to 20 JOULES.\n\n"+
        "2. Enable defib SYNC mode.\n\n"+
        "3. Charge up the defib.\n\n"+
        "4. Wait two seconds.\n\n"+
        "5. Press 'Next Step' button after defib has charged." | medium
xctest   "DISCHARGE defib!\n\nVerify delay is 20 to 64 msec" | DSL,AF2,20 | 5

xctrl    "Go to LOCAL mode" | #LOC

prompt   "End of Impulse 4000 demo"
//power  off

// End of script
```

### Example 2:

```
// Demo checklist using a Impulse 4000 XSC interface for
// transcutaneous pacer pulse and other measurements.
//

// Display Checklist title
color #F8F880
prompt "Demo of Impulse 4000 Pacer Test\nRemote Control via XSC" | bold

// Setup instructions
// prompt "Setup Impulse 4000"

// Initialize connection with XSC and Phase 3
xopen "Setting up Impulse 4000 XSC" | D | 5

// Prepare limits for automatic assessment
xctrl "Setting ECG to NSB120" | ECG,II,NSB120 |
xctrl "Setting ECG to NSB240" | ECG,II,NSB240 |
xctrl "Setting ECG to NSB60" | ECG,II,NSB60 |

// xctrl "Setting ECG to Garbage" | ECG,I,Garbage | 2
// above produces an error

prompt "End of Impulse 4000 pacer demo"

xctrl "Go to LOCAL mode" | #LOC

// End of script
```

### Example 3:

```
// Demo checklist using a Impulse 4000 XSC interface for
// transcutaneous pacer pulse and other measurements.
//

// Display Checklist title

prompt "Demo of Impulse 4000 Pacer Test\nRemote Control via XSC" | bold

// Setup instructions
prompt "Setup Impulse 4000, press 'Next Step'"

// Initialize connection with XSC and Impulse
xopen "Impulse 4000 XSC" | D | 5

// Prepare limits for automatic assessment
xctrl "Setting output tolerance to 10% of target..." | lim4,target,10,percent | 2
xctrl "Setting rate tolerance to within 2 PPM..." | "lim5,target,2,units" | 2
xctrl "Setting width tolerance to within 3 ms..." | "lim6,target,3,units" | 2
```

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```
// Prompt user to prepare pacer for the test
prompt "PACER PULSE TEST\n\n"\+
    "1. Set pacer unit to READY.\n\n"\+
    "2. Set rate to 70 PPM, output to 30 mA.\n\n"\+
    "3. Set mode to FIXED.\n\n"\+
    "4. Start pacing, then press 'Next Step'." | medium

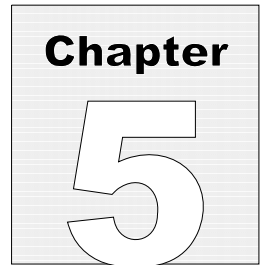
// Get IP4k to perform pacer pulse test
xtest "WAIT!\n\nVerify current is 27 to 33 mA\n\n"\+
    "at 68 to 70 PPM" | PPPN,30,70,20

// Repeat for 120 mA, 140 PPM output
// First 2 results are discarded
//prompt "PACER PULSE TEST\n\n"\+
//    "1. Set rate to 140 PPM, output to 120 mA.\n\n"\+
//    "2. Start pacing, then press 'Next Step'." | medium
//    xtest "WAIT!\n\nVerify current is 108 to 132 mA\n\n"\+
//    "at 138 to 142 PPM" | PPP2,120,140 | 2
//
// Enable automatic assessment for refractory test
xctrl "Setting paced refractory limit to 200 - 500 ms..." | lim8,range,200,500 | 2
xctrl "Setting sensed refractory limit to 500 ms maximum..." | lim9,max,500 | 2
//
// Prompt user to prepare pacer for refractory test
prompt "PACER REFRACTORY TEST\n\n"\+
    "1. Connect pacer ECG leads to Impulse 4000.\n\n"\+
    "2. Set rate to 140 PPM, output to 30 mA.\n\n"\+
    "3. Set mode to DEMAND.\n\n"\+
    "4. Start pacing, then press 'Next Step'." | medium
xtest "WAIT!\n\nVerify results are within displayed limits" | PRFS

xctrl "Go to LOCAL mode" | #LOC

prompt "End of Impulse 4000 pacer demo"

// End of script
```



## 5 Calibration and Maintenance

Calibration of vPad-XSC for **Impulse 4000** is not required.

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