PC-HELPER

High-Resolution Analog I/O
Terminal for USB2.0

AIO-160802AY-USB
User’s Guide
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- Interface connector plugs…2
- First step guide…1
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- USB Cable(1.8m)…1
- USB Cable Attachment…1
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About the Product

This product is a USB2.0 compatible terminal module that extends the analog I/O function of USB port of PCs. 8ch/16bits analog inputs and 2ch/16bits analog outputs are employed and signal lines can be directly connected to the screw terminals in the system. Compact design to match Note PCs and excellent in mobility as operation is powered by USB bus. This product accompanies Windows driver and full-fledged data logger software “C-LOGGER”.

Possible to be used as a data recording device for MATLAB, with dedicated libraries.

Features

- Input 10μsec/ch, 8ch, output 10μsec, 2ch, 16bit resolution

Equipped with the analog input (10μsec/ch, 16bit, 8ch), analog output (10μsec, 16bit, 2ch) and digital I/O (4ch each, LVTTL level)

- Compatible to USB1.1/USB2.0 and not necessary to power this product externally as the bus power is used.

Compatible to USB1.1/USB2.0 and capable to achieve high speed transfer at HighSpeed (480 Mbps). Not necessary to power this product externally as the bus power of USB is used.

- Equipped with the buffer memory (1K data) which can be used in either FIFO or ring format

This product includes buffer memory (1K data each for analog input and output) which can be used in either FIFO or ring format. You can perform analog I/O in the background, independent of software and the current status of the PC.

- Windows compatible driver libraries are attached.

Using the attached driver library API-USBP(WDM) makes it possible to create applications of Windows. In addition, a diagnostic program by which the operations of hardware can be checked is provided.

- Sampling can be driven by a clock or by various triggers

Sampling can be started and stopped by software or by an external trigger (timing controlled by an externally input control signal). The sampling period can be controlled by the internal clock (high-precision timer included on the board) or by an external clock (externally input control signal).

- Terminal connector facilitating wiring

Wiring is easy as the terminal connector (screw type) is used.

- Software-based calibration function

Calibration of analog input/output can be all performed by software. Apart from the adjustment information prepared before shipment, additional adjustment information can be stored according to the use environment.
1. Before Using the Product

**Support Software**

You should use CONTEC support software according to your purpose and development environment.

**Driver Library API-USBP(WDM) (Bundled)**

It is the library software, and which supplies command of hardware produced by our company in the form of standard Win32 API function(DLL). Using programming languages supporting Win32API functions, such as Visual Basic and Visual C++ etc., you can develop high-speed application software with feature of hardware produced by our company.

In addition, you can verify the operation of hardware using Diagnostic programs.

CONTEC provides download services (at http://www.contec.com/apiusb/) to supply the updated drivers and differential files.

Further details may be found in the help within supplied CD-ROM or the homepage of our company.

**< Operating Environment >**

OS Windows 7, Server 2008, Vista, XP, Server 2003, 2000, Me, 98, etc..

**Data Logger Software C-LOGGER (Supplied: Stored on the API-USBP(WDM) CD-ROM)**

C-LOGGER is a data logger software program compatible with our analog I/O products. This program enables the graph display of recorded signal data, zoom observation, file saving, and dynamic transfer to the spreadsheet software “Excel”. No troublesome programming is required.

CONTEC provides download services (at http://www.contec.co.jp/clogger) to supply the updated drivers.

For details, refer to the C-LOGGER Users Guide or our website.

**< Operating Environment >**

OS Windows 7, Vista, XP, Server 2003, 2000

**Cable & Connector (Option)**

14pin Screw Terminal Connector Set(6 pieces) : CN6-Y14

**Accessories (Option)**

Bracket for USB I/O Terminal products : BRK-USB-Y

* Check the CONTEC’s Web site for more information on these options.
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Free download
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For replacement or repair, return the device freight prepaid, with a copy of the original invoice. Please obtain a Return Merchandise Authorization number (RMA) from the CONTEC group office where you purchased before returning any product.

*  No product will be accepted by CONTEC group without the RMA number.

Liability

The obligation of the warrantor is solely to repair or replace the product. In no event will the warrantor be liable for any incidental or consequential damages due to such defect or consequences that arise from inexperienced usage, misuse, or malfunction of this device.
1. Before Using the Product

Safety Precautions

Understand the following definitions and precautions to use the product safely.

Safety Information

This document provides safety information using the following symbols to prevent accidents resulting in injury or death and the destruction of equipment and resources. Understand the meanings of these labels to operate the equipment safely.

<table>
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<th>Symbol</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>☢️ DANGER</td>
<td>DANGER indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>⚠️ WARNING</td>
<td>WARNING indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>⚠️ CAUTION</td>
<td>CAUTION indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury or in property damage.</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Handling Precautions

☢️ DANGER

Do not use the product where it is exposed to flammable or corrosive gas. Doing so may result in an explosion, fire, electric shock, or failure.

☢️ CAUTION

- Do not strike or bend the converter. Otherwise, the converter may malfunction, overheat, cause a failure or breakage.
- Do not touch the converter's pin parts (USB connector) with your hands. Otherwise, the converter may malfunction, overheat, or cause a failure. If the pin parts are touched by someone's hands, clean the parts with industrial alcohol.
- Do not touch the external connector (14 pin plug header) when the power is on. Otherwise this may malfunction, overheat, cause a failure due to static electricity.
- Make sure that your PC or expansion unit can supply ample power to all the products installed. Insufficiently energized products could malfunction, overheat, or cause a failure.
- The specifications of this product are subject to change without notice for enhancement and quality improvement. Even when using the product continuously, be sure to read the manual and understand the contents.
- Do not modify the product. CONTEC will bear no responsibility for any problems, etc., resulting from modifying this product.
- Regardless of the foregoing statements, CONTEC is not liable for any damages whatsoever (including damages for loss of business profits) arising out of the use or inability to use this CONTEC product or the information contained herein.
It may cause a trouble in recognizing and operating the device according to the kind of USB hub. If you use the USB hub, we encourage you to take advantage of the CONTEC’s product loan service to confirm operation before purchasing.

FCC PART 15 Class A Notice

**NOTE**

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in commercial environment.

This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference at its own expense.

**WARNING TO USER**

Change or modifications not expressly approved the manufacturer can void the user's authority to operate this equipment.
1. Before Using the Product

**Environment**

Use this product in the following environment. If used in an unauthorized environment, the converter may overheat, malfunction, or cause a failure.

Operating temperature
0 · 50°C

Humidity
10 · 90%RH (No condensation)

Corrosive gases
None

Floating dust particles
Not to be excessive

**Inspection**

Inspect the product periodically as follows to use it safely.

- Check that the connector has no dust or foreign matter adhering.

**Storage**

When storing this product, keep it in its original packing form.

(1) Put the product in the storage bag.

(2) Wrap it in the packing material, then put it in the box.

(3) Store the package at room temperature at a place free from direct sunlight, moisture, shock, vibration, magnetism, and static electricity.

**Disposal**

When disposing of the product, follow the disposal procedures stipulated under the relevant laws and municipal ordinances.
2. Setup

This chapter explains how to set up the product.

What is Setup?
Setup means a series of steps to take before the product can be used. Different steps are required for software and hardware.

Installing the driver
This section enables you to prepare the software and hardware by operating in accordance with each step in this chapter using the bundled CD-ROM. Taking the following steps sets up the software and hardware. You can use the diagnosis program later to check whether the software and hardware function normally.

- Step 1 Setting the Hardware
- Step 2 Installing the Software
- Step 3 Installing the Hardware
- Step 4 Checking Operations with the Diagnosis Program

Uninstall the driver and then set it up again if it cannot be set up properly.
Step 1 Setting the Hardware

This section describes how to set up the product and how to connect it to a PC.

Name of each parts

LED indicator

![Diagram of LED indicator and interface connector]

Table 2.1. List of Status LED Functions

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Function</th>
<th>Indicator color</th>
<th>LED indicator</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>LINK Status</td>
<td>USB communication status</td>
<td>GREEN</td>
<td>ON: Communication established</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>PC connection status</td>
<td></td>
<td>OFF: Communication unestablished</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>PC connection status</td>
<td></td>
<td>ON: PC communication established</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>OFF: PC communication unestablished</td>
</tr>
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Figure 2.1. Name of each parts (Front side)
Step 2 Initializing the Software

Install software.
The following description assumes the operating system as Windows XP. Although some user interfaces are different depending on the OS used, the basic procedure is the same.

Points
- If you are using Windows XP or Windows 2000, please log on as Administrator (authorized account) before proceeding to the following steps.

The following shows the basic flow for installing product.

Illustration of Menu Screen

Points
- Please set up the supplied CD-ROM if it has not been set up. The menu starts automatically.
- If the menu do not start, launch X:AUTORUN.EXE(X:CD-ROM drive) from [Run…] in Start menu.
- The screen design may be different.
2. Setup

Installation of API-USBP(WDM) Development Environment

Installation of development environment is namely installing supplied online help and sample program in all language in order to use API function.

1) Clicking on “Install Development or Execution Environment”.

   [API-USBP(WDM) Installer] dialog box displays.

2) Selecting “Advanced Analog I/O driver”.

3) Clicking on “Install” Button.

   Please perform installation following the directions on the screen. And thus the installation is completed.

* The screen design may be different.
Installing C-LOGGER

Install the data collection software.

(1) Clicking on “C-LOGGER”.
   [Choose Setup Language] dialog box displays.

(2) Selecting “English”.

(3) Clicking on “OK” Button.
   Please perform installation following the directions on the screen. And thus the installation is completed.

* The screen design may be different.
2. Setup

Step 3 Installing the Hardware

Under Windows, information about the converter needs to be detected by the OS. This is called hardware installation.

To use more than one of this product, make sure to install them one by one, setting each unit after completing the previous one.

Connecting the Product

(1) Turn on the power to the PC before connecting the product.

(2) When the PC has been up and running, plug the USB interface connector to a USB port in the PC. The converter can also be connected to the PC via a USB hub.

![Connecting the PC](image)

**CAUTION**

It may cause a trouble in recognizing and operating the device according to the kind of USB hub. If you use the USB hub, we encourage you to take advantage of the CONTEC’s product loan service to confirm operation before purchasing.

(3) USB cable can be attached firmly to the main unit by using a USB cable attachment.

![Attaching a USB Attachment](image)

**CAUTION**

The USB cable attachment cannot be used excluding an attached cable.
2. Setup

Setting with the Found New Hardware Wizard

(1) The “Found New Hardware Wizard” will be started.

*In Windows Vista, Because the driver's installation is completed by "Installing the Software", it is not necessary to operate it about the Hardware Wizard.

(2) Select “Install from a list or specific location”, then click on the [Next] button.
Detect setup information from supplied CD automatically for installing USB driver.

Point

Please specify the path for supplied CD as follows in the case of failure in detecting automatically.
X:\INF\WDM\AIO (X: CD-ROM drive)

(3) Click on [Finish] button to complete the installation of USB driver.
2. Setup

Setting Properties Using Device Manager

After connecting product with a PC and completing driver installation, open Device Manager and set properties.

(1) Starting Device Manager.
   From [Start] menu, click on [Settings]-[Control Panel]-[System] and then click on [Device Manager] button in [Hardware] tab.

* The name of the connected product will be displayed.
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- In the case of Windows 98
  Right-click on [My Computer] and select [Properties] to start device manager.
2. Setup

(2) Setting the Device Name.
Right-clicking on the product name and selecting [Properties] displays [Product Properties].
Open [Common Settings] tab and enter arbitrary name in the editing box for device name. (Default name also can be used.)

* The name of the connected product will be displayed.
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* The product-specific number will be displayed as the serial number.

⚠️ CAUTION

USB driver can not be used without settings. Settings must be performed.

(3) Clicking on [OK] button.
Device name is set by clicking [OK] button.
Step 4 Checking Operations with the Diagnosis Program

Use the diagnosis program to check that the product and driver software work normally, thereby you can confirm that they have been set up correctly.

What is the Diagnosis Program?

The diagnosis program diagnoses the states of the product and driver software. It can also be used as a simple checker when an external device is actually connected. Using the “Diagnosis Report” feature reports the driver settings, the presence or absence of the product, I/O status, and interrupt status.

Check Method

To check the analog I/O data, connect to an external signal source. The figure below shows an example of checking by connecting to an external signal. The analog input example illustrated below is an example of using analog input channel 0.

Connection diagram

< Analog Input >

· Single-Ended Input

Input data remains indeterminate when no input pin is connected. The input pin for the channel not connected to the signal source must be connected to the analog ground. For details, see “Chapter 3 External Connection”.

< Analog Output >
Using the Diagnosis Program

Starting the Diagnosis Program

Click [Diagnosis] on the Properties page to start the diagnosis program.

* The name of the connected product will be displayed.
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* You cannot use the counter function with this product.
2. Setup

Analog input
Select the input channel and input type from the lists.
Input data is plotted on a graph.

Analog output
You can select the desired output channel from the lists.
You can select the DC (constant voltage), sine wave, or square wave as the output data.

Digital I/O
The upper row of circular lamps indicates the digital input states. Red indicates the bit is ON and brown indicates OFF.
Clicking the lower row of switches turns the digital output bits ON or OFF.
Diagnosis Report

(1) The diagnosis report saves detailed data, including the device settings and settings for each channel, to a text file and displays the file for you to view.

Clicking [Diagnosis Report] prompts you to specify where to save the report text file.
(2) The diagnosis report contains the following data.

- Version of OS
- Device Information
- File Information
- Initialization, interrupts, I/O state for each channel

Execution time measurement
Clicking [Execution Time Measurement] runs the program to measure API function execution speed. The operation of this program is explained in "API function Execution Speed Measurement Program" in Chapter 4.
3. External Connection

This chapter describes the interface connectors on the product. Check the information available here when connecting an external device.

Using the On-terminal Connectors

Connecting a terminal to a Connector

To connect an external device to this terminal, plug the cable from the device into the interface connector (CN1, CN2) shown below.

![Interface Connectors and Mating Connectors](image)
3. External Connection

Connector Pin Assignment

Figure 3.2. Pin Assignment of CN1

Figure 3.3. Pin Assignment of CN2

Table 3.1. Signal name of CN1 and CN2

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Signal</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>AI00 - AI07</td>
<td>Analog input signal. The numbers correspond to channel numbers.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AO00 - AO01</td>
<td>Analog output signal. The numbers correspond to channel numbers.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AGND</td>
<td>Common analog ground for analog I/O signals.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DI00 - DI03</td>
<td>Digital input signal.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DO00 - DO03</td>
<td>Digital output signal.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DGND</td>
<td>Common digital ground for digital I/O signals.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Cable connection

When connecting the product to an external device, you can use the supplied connector plug. For wiring, strip off approximately 9 - 10mm of the covered part of a wire rod and then insert it to the opening. After the insertion, secure the wire rod with screws. Compatible wires are AWG 28 - 16.

⚠️ CAUTION

Removing the connector plug by grasping the cable can break the wire.

Figure 3.4. Connecting an Interface Connector and Connectors That Can Be Used
Analog Input Signal Connection

Analog signal input types are divided into single-ended input and differential input. This product uses single-ended input fixed. The following examples show how to connect analog input signals using a flat cable and a shielded cable.

Single-ended Input

The following figure shows an example of flat cable connection. Connect separate signal and ground wires for each analog input channel on CN2.

![Single-ended Input Connection (Flat Cable)](image)

**Figure 3.5. Single-ended Input Connection (Flat Cable)**

The following figure shows an example of shield cable connection. Use shielded cable if the distance between the signal source and product is long or if you want to provide better protection from noise. For each analog input channel, connect the core wire to the signal line and connect the shielding to ground.

![Single-ended Input Connection (Shielded Cable)](image)

**Figure 3.6. Single-ended Input Connection (Shielded Cable)**

⚠️ **CAUTION**

- If the signal source contains over 1MHz signals, the signal may effect the cross-talk noise between channels.
- If the product and the signal source receive noise or the distance between the product and the signal source is too long, data may not be input properly.
- An input analog signal should not exceed the maximum input voltage (relate to the product analog ground). If it exceeds the maximum voltage, the product may be damaged.
- Connect all the unused analog input channels to analog ground.
- The signal connected to an input channel may fluctuate after switching of the multiplexer. In this case, the cable between this product and the signal source can be shortened or a buffer with a high-speed amplifier can be placed between the product and the signal source in order to reduce the fluctuation.
Analog Output Signal Connection

This section shows how to connect the analog output signal by using a flat cable or a shielded cable. The following figure shows an example of flat cable connection. Connect the signal source and ground to the CN1 analog output.

![Figure 3.7. Analog Output Connection (Flat Cable)](image)

The following figure shows an example of shield cable connection. Use shielded cable if the distance between the signal source and product is long or if you want to provide better protection from noise. For each analog input channel on CN1, connect the core wire to the signal line and connect the shielding to ground.

![Figure 3.8. Analog Output Connection (Shielded Cable)](image)

⚠️ CAUTION

- If this product or the connected wire receives noise, or the distance between this product and the target is long, data may not be outputted properly.
- For analog output signal, the current capacity is ±1mA (Max.). Check the specification of the connected device before connecting this product.
- Do not short the analog output signal to analog ground, digital ground, and/or power line. Doing so may damage this product.
- Do not connect an analog output signal to any other analog output, either on this product or on an external device, as this may cause a fault on this product.
- When the USB cable is plugged, the analog output signal will be -10V.
Digital I/O signals Connection

The digital I/O signal can be used as the control signal (external trigger input signal and sampling clock input signal, etc.), too. The following sections show examples.

All the digital I/O signals are LV TTL (3.3VDC) level signals.

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<tr>
<th>Terminal</th>
<th>Digital Input</th>
<th>Cable</th>
<th>Target</th>
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<td>Digital Ground</td>
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Figure 3.9. Digital Input Connection

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Terminal</th>
<th>Digital Output</th>
<th>10kΩ</th>
<th>CN1</th>
<th>Cable</th>
<th>Target</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Digital Ground</td>
<td>IOL=24mA</td>
<td></td>
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</table>

Figure 3.10. Digital Output Connection

⚠️ CAUTION

Do not short the output signals to analog ground, digital ground, and/or power line. Doing so may damage the terminal.

Each input accepts 5V TTL level signals.

Reference

For the operation timing when using it as control signal, see "Control Signal Timings" in Chapter 7 “About Hardware - Control Signal Timings”.

⚠️ CAUTION

The external trigger signal is fixed to the following signal location when using C-LOGGER.

DI00 : External start trigger signal input

* The external stop tripper and external clock cannot be used.
4. Application Development

Please reference to online help and sample program when developing applications.

Reference to Online Help

Click on [Programs]-[CONTEC API-USBP(WDM)]-[API-USBP(W32) Help] from [Start] menu.

The information for application development, such as function reference is provided in [API-USBP(W32) Help].

Detailed introduction to search method for help should be found from [How to navigate Help] in the help.

For basic usage, please reference to “Tutorial” for help.

Printing Function Reference

Clicking on Print button from online help prints the page being displayed. It can be printed entirely as follows in the case of referencing to printing function.

As figure shown on the right, selecting [ ] mark and clicking on Print button prints all the topics under the mark selected at a time.
Sample Program

Sample programs are copied in installation path. (The default path is Program Files\CONTEC~)

Sample programs in all language are provided here. To run a sample program, click on [Programs]-[CONTEC API-USBP(WDM)]-[AIO]-[Sample Name] from [Start] menu.

Distributing Developed Application

Please distribute the developed application with USB driver in supplied CD-ROM.

Created application (including driver) can be freely distributed.
Use of utility program

Program for Measuring the Executive Speed of Function

Program for measuring the executive speed of function is a program that can measure the executive time of some main functions.

To use the program for measuring the executive speed of function, please click the button "Measure tool..." from CONTEC DIAGNOSIS PROGRAM.

* The name of the connected product will be displayed.
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Step to use
(1) Select the device to be measured from the device list.
(2) Measure the executive speed of a function by clicking the button with the function name.
   Select the number of channels for conversion from the list for AioMultiAi and AioMultiAo.
   Input the size of data to be transferred for AioGetAiSamplingData and AioSetAoSamplingData.
   Set the transfer data in "kByte".
(3) Terminate the application by clicking the button "Exit".
Measuring Analog Input tool

This is a utility that measuring Analog input with FIFO memory infinitely. Retrieves the data from memory as the event is occurred because the number of conversion data has arrived at the maximum. The data of FIFO memory is more visual displayed.

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Setting Channels, Internal/External Clock, Sampling Clock, Sampling Number that it makes event occurring. After the sampling clock error event is occurred, setting all of conversion condition.

Step to use

1. The device used is selected from the list of the device, and a set button is clicked.
2. Setting the conversion condition on the form of [Setting Analog Input].

   Retrieves the data from memory as the event is occurred because the number of conversion data has arrived at the specified number. Return to original form, after clicked the button of [OK].
(3) The measuring is begun after clicked the button of [Start], the conversion’s information is displayed.

The sampling number within FIFO:
That is the conversion data is stored at memory. That is more visual displayed in [Memory Image].

The sampling number when event:
The event is occurred when the input sampling number within FIFO reach this number.

Total Input Sampling Number:
The total sampling number is stored at memory for this application.

The Measuring will stop when this error as follows.

Sampling clock error:
When the application is measuring with internal clock, sampling clock is too fast to process.
When the application is measuring with External clock, clock cycle is too fast. Moreover, noise is be considered.

Buffer overflow:
The memory has overflowed because the conversion speed is too fast compared with the speed at which data is taken.

(4) The measuring is stopping after clicked the button of [Stop].

Measuring Analog Output tool
This is an analog output and measurement utility able to sample indefinitely using the FIFO memory. An event is triggered when the remaining conversion data in memory reaches a specified level and this causes the new output data to be loaded. The utility also shows a visual representation of the data in the FIFO memory.

The number of channels, whether to use an internal or external clock, conversion speed, number of times to sample before generating an event, and number of samples to load at each event can be specified. As an event is also generated if a sampling clock error occurs, you can use the utility to test the conversion operation under a range of different conditions.

* The name of the connected product will be displayed.
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Step to use

(1) Use the combo box at the top left of the window to select the device name of the device to use, then click the [Set] button.

(2) Specify the conversion conditions in the analog input setup window. An event is triggered and the next block of data is loaded after the number of samples specified in the settings have been output. Clicking the OK button saves the settings and returns to the previous window.

(3) The measuring is begun after clicked the button of [Start], the conversion's information is displayed. The sampling number within FIFO:
This specifies the number of conversion data values remaining in memory (that have not yet been output). This is shown visually in the "Memory Image".

Sampling count for triggering event:
An event is triggered when the number of samples remaining in the FIFO reaches the specified value.

Number of samples to load:
The number of output data values (samples) to load at each event.

The Measuring will stop when this error as follows.

Sampling clock error:
When the application is measuring with internal clock, sampling clock is too fast to process. When the application is measuring with External clock, clock cycle is too fast. moreover, noise is be considered.

(4) The measuring is stopping after clicked the button of [Stop].
Returning to Initial State

This is the method of returning to initial state. It is suggested that you should return to initial state and perform installation again when the operation is losing stabilization.

Moreover, the method of returning to the initial state is different depending on OS. Please initialize it by the method of suitable for OS used.

**Step1 Uninstalling Driver and the development environment**

- Uninstall procedure for Windows 7, Vista, Server 2008

<Uninstall of device driver>

1. Run Device Manager. From [My Computer] - [Control Panel], select [System] and then select the [Device Manager] tab. (You can also open Device Manager by right clicking on My Computer and selecting Properties.)

2. All of the hardware that uses the API-TOOL(WDM) driver is registered under the CONTEC Devices tree. Open the device tree, select the hardware to uninstall, and then right-click the hardware. From the popup menu, select [Uninstall].

3. A dialog box opens asking you to confirm whether to uninstall. Select the [Delete the driver software for this device] checkbox, and then click [OK].
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<Uninstall of development environment>
Use [My Computer] - [Control Panel] - [Programs and Features] to uninstall the development environment. Select [CONTEC API-*** (WDM) VerX.XX (development environment)] and then click [Uninstall].
* "***" contains the driver category name (AIO, CNT, DIO, etc.).

- Uninstall procedure for Windows XP and Windows 2003 Server

<Uninstall of device driver>
Use [My Computer] - [Control Panel] - [Add and Remove Programs] to uninstall the device driver. Select [Windows driver package - CONTEC (****)] and then click [Change/Remove].
* "****" contains the driver category name (caio, ccnt, cdio, csmc, etc.).

<Uninstall of development environment>
Use [My Computer] - [Control Panel] - [Add and Remove Programs] to uninstall the development environment. Select [CONTEC API-*** (WDM) VerX.XX (development environment)] and then click [Change/Remove].
* "***" contains the driver category name (AIO, CNT, DIO, etc.).
- Uninstall procedure for Windows Me

<Uninstall of device driver>
Use [My Computer] - [Control Panel] - [Add and Remove Applications] to uninstall the device driver.
Select [CONTEC API-*** (WDM) driver] and then click [Add/Remove].
* "***" contains the driver category name (AIO, CNT, DIO, etc.).

<Uninstall of development environment>
Use [My Computer] - [Control Panel] - [Add and Remove Programs] to uninstall the development environment.
Select [CONTEC API-*** (WDM) VerX.XX (development environment)] and then click [Add/Remove].
* "***" contains the driver category name (AIO, CNT, DIO, etc.).

- Uninstall procedure for Windows 98, 98SecondEdition

<Uninstall of device driver>
Use [My Computer] - [Control Panel] - [Add and Remove Applications] to uninstall the device driver.
Select [CONTEC API-*** (WDM) driver] and then click [Add/Remove].
* "***" contains the driver category name (AIO, CNT, DIO, etc.).

<Uninstall of development environment>
Select [CONTEC API-*** (WDM) VerX.XX (development environment)] and then click [Add/Remove].
* "***" contains the driver category name (AIO, CNT, DIO, SMC, etc.).

**Step2 Drawing USB cable from a PC**

**Step3 Restarting**
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5. About C-LOGGER

About C-LOGGER

C-LOGGER is a data logger software program compatible with our analog I/O products. This program enables the graph display of recorded signal data, zoom observation, file saving, and dynamic transfer to the spreadsheet software “Excel”. No troublesome programming is required.

The program is stored on the attached CD-ROM [Driver Library API-USBP (WDM)].

C-LOGGER offers the following functions.
- Sampling and displaying data with high-speed
- Supporting plural windows
- Sending to excel with high-speed
- Supporting 2 data (binary and csv) forms
- Setting acquirement conditions easily with wizard
- Operating intuitively with file viewer and property viewer
- Saving to file automatically for long-time and mass-data acquirement
- Displaying Graph in 2 Screens: Whole and Zoom
- Abundant Function for Customization

For details, refer to the C-LOGGER Users Guide.
6. Functions

This chapter describes the different functions that can be implemented using the hardware and driver together. Unless stated otherwise, the driver is assumed to be API-USBP(WDM).

*Some of the functions may not be available when the data logger software (C-LOGGER) is in use.

Analog Input Function

This product converts analog signals to digital data according to the resolution and stores it in memory. You can set a variety of conditions for analog input, including the input channel, sampling period, and sampling start/stop conditions.

Analog input processes are classified as follows:

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1. Setting the Conversion Conditions
   - Resolution
   - Input Mode
   - Channel
   - Channel conversion order
   - Data transfer method
   - Memory

2. Starting/Stopping Operation
   - Start
   - Stop

3. Monitoring the Status and Acquiring Data
   - Status
   - Sampling
   - Transfer
   - Data acquisition

4. Reset
   - Status
   - Memory
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1. Setting the Conversion Conditions

First, set the conditions for executing analog input.

Resolution

“Resolution” signifies the number of bits used by an analog input device to represent analog signals. The higher the resolution, the more finely the voltage range is segmented, allowing the device to convert analog values to digital equivalents more precisely.

A device with a resolution of 12-bit divides the range width into 4096 segments. When the device covers the range of 0 - 10V, the minimum unit of converted voltages is \(10 \div 4096 \approx 2.44\text{mV}\).

If the device has a resolution of 16-bit, it is \(10 \div 65536 \approx 0.153\text{mV}\) instead.

![Analog Voltage before Conversion](image1) ![Low Resolution Board](image2) ![High Resolution Board](image3)

AIO-160802AY-USB : The resolution is 16-bit.

Input Mode

"Input Mode" indicates the method of connecting analog input signals. The input modes available are single-ended input and differential input.

The single-ended input mode is suitable for the environment in which the potential difference between the signal source and ground and noise components can be ignored. For the environment in which they cannot be ignored, the differential input mode is suitable. The number of channels available in differential input mode is half that in single-ended input mode.

Software setup of the input mode is not required as this product uses the single-ended input mode fixed.

Channel

"Channel” represents each point of analog input.

For individual channel numbers, see “Using the On-board Connectors” to “Connector Pin Assignment” in Chapter 3 "External Connection".

You can specify an arbitrary number of points of analog input by setting the channels by means of software.
Channel conversion order

Normally, when performing conversion for more than one channel at each sampling, conversion is performed consecutively starting from channel 0.
Software setup is not required as this product uses a fixed channel conversion priority.

![Conversion order diagram]

Range

"Range" means the range of voltages at which analog input can be performed.
Software setup of the range is not required as this product uses a fixed range of voltages.
AIO-160802AY-USB : ±10V
Data transfer method

A device buffer mode is available, which uses the device's or driver's conversion data storage memory.

- **Device buffer mode**
  When conversion starts, data is saved in the device buffer (memory on the device itself or in the driver).
  The device buffer can operate as FIFO or ring memory.
  The application calls an API function at an appropriate timing and fetches the conversion data from the device buffer.
  The device buffer mode provides function that allows the number of items of conversion data using the number of sampling times as a unit to obtain the number of items of conversion data directly from the voltage.

![Device buffer mode diagram]
Memory format

This product uses device buffer transfer mode; it does not require software setup of the memory format.

**Device buffer mode**

- **FIFO format**
  
  In the FIFO (First In First Out) format, input data items are read from memory in the same order in which they were written to the memory. Input data items are fed out of the memory sequentially, where the oldest one is always read from the memory. The status monitor and application notification functions are provided, which check and report the state in which the memory has stored a fixed amount of data or in which the memory has become full.
  
  The FIFO memory is used to obtain all input data from analog input in a short or infinite period of time.

- **Ring format**
  
  In the ring format, the memory contains storage areas arranged in a ring. Input data items are written to the memory sequentially. When it stores data exceeding the limit, it overwrites the area storing the previous item of input data. The status monitor and application notification functions are provided, which check and report the state in which data has been written to certain areas of memory.
  
  The ring memory is used to obtain data where conversion has stopped due to some event, usually without obtaining data in the normal state.

**Clock**

The sampling clock controls the sampling frequency. You can select either the internal sampling clock, external sampling clock.

- **Internal sampling clock**
  
  The clock signal from the on-board clock generator is used.

- **External sampling clock**
  
  The edge of the digital signal input from an external device is used for the sampling clock.
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Start Condition

The condition for controlling the start of sampling can be selected from among software, input data comparison, an external trigger. The conditions for controlling the start and stop of sampling are completely independent of each other; they can be set separately.

- Software
  The product starts sampling and storing input data to memory immediately after the operation start command is issued.

- Input data comparison
  When the operation start command is issued, the product compares the analog signal input through a specified channel to the value of the preset comparison level. If the analog signal satisfies the condition, the product starts storing input data.
  Level comparison conditions are set as two conditions: level and direction.

  The above sketch shows that the level comparison condition is satisfied in the rising direction.
  The start condition is satisfied when the analog signal at the specified channel passes the comparison level in the rising direction. Input data items are stored to memory, starting with those at solid dots.

  The above sketch shows that the level comparison condition is satisfied in the falling direction.
  The start condition is satisfied when the analog signal at the specified channel passes the comparison level in the falling direction. Input data items are stored to memory, starting with those at solid dots.

If you set the level comparison directions to both directions, the start condition is satisfied when the analog signal passes the level both in the rising and falling directions.

- External trigger
  This product starts waiting for an external control signal as soon as the operation start command is output. Sampling and data transfer to memory start when the specified edge (rising edge or falling edge) is input from the external control signal.
Stop condition

The condition for controlling the stop of sampling can be selected from among the last sampling count, input data comparison, an external trigger, and software abort. The product stops sampling whenever an error occurs irrespective of the stop condition setting.

- **Last sampling count**
  This product stops sampling after storing input data to memory for the specified number of times of sampling.

- **Input data comparison**
  Once the product has started sampling, it compares the analog signal input through a specified channel to the value of the preset comparison level. If the analog signal satisfies the condition, this product stops sampling.
  Level comparison conditions are set as two conditions: level and direction.

  ![Level comparison diagram](image)

  The above sketch shows that the level comparison condition is satisfied in the rising direction. The stop condition is satisfied when the analog signal at the specified channel passes the comparison level in the rising direction. Input data items are stored to memory, ending until those at solid dots.

  ![Level comparison diagram](image)

  The above sketch shows that the level comparison condition is satisfied in the falling direction. The stop condition is satisfied when the analog signal at the specified channel passes the comparison level in the falling direction. Input data items are stored to memory, ending until those at solid dots.

- **External trigger**
  This product starts waiting for an external control signal after the specified number of samples have been performed. Sampling stops when the specified edge (rising edge or falling edge) is input from the external control signal.
**Event**

"Event" works as a function for reporting the occurrence of a certain product state to the application. The following events can be used in combination depending on the specifications and purpose of the application.

- "AD conversion start condition satisfied" event
  This event occurs when the AD conversion start condition is satisfied. The event is nullified when the conversion start condition is “software”.

- Device operation stop event
  This event occurs upon the completion of all the operation.

- "Stored specified sampling times" event
  This event occurs when sampling has been performed for the number of times set by software. This event can only be used in device buffer mode.

- Overflow event
  This event occurs at an attempt to store input data with the memory full.

- Sampling clock error event
  This event occurs when conversion stops as an error occurs due to a sampling clock period that is too short.

- AD conversion error event
  This event occurs when conversion stops due to an AD conversion error.

**2. Starting/Stopping Operation**

Sampling is started by the software command. Once started, sampling can be stopped by the software command at any timing.

**3. Monitoring the Status and Acquiring Data**

Software commands are used to monitor the operation status of the device and to acquire input data from memory. Status monitoring and data acquisition can be performed even during sampling.

**Status**

The current state of the device can be checked by obtaining the device status. The following types of device status are available:

- Device operating
  The “device operating” status remains ON, after the execution of the sampling start command until this product completes conversion, aborts operation due to an error, or stops sampling in response to the command.

- Waiting for start trigger
  This status remains ON, after this product starts sampling until the start trigger is input, if the conversion start condition is an external trigger or level comparison. The status is set to OFF when the input trigger is input to start conversion.
- Specified sampling data stored
  This status is set to ON when input data stored in memory has reached the amount corresponding to
  the preset number of times of sampling.
  If the memory format is FIFO, the status is set to OFF when the amount of input data in the memory
  falls below the value corresponding to the preset number of times of sampling as data is acquired.
  Once the status is set to ON when the memory format is ring, it remains ON until it is reset.

- Overflow
  An overflow error occurs when an attempt is made to store input data to memory while it has been
  full of input data.
  When the memory format is FIFO, this product stops conversion.
  When the memory format is ring, this product continues conversion while overwriting existing data
  with new one.

- Sampling clock error
  This error occurs when the sampling clock period is too short.

- AD conversion error
  If the “device operating” status remains ON (without terminating conversion) for an extended
  period of time, the driver regards that state as an operation error and sets this status to ON. This
  error stops sampling.

Sampling
The number of sampled items of input data stored in memory can be obtained by the software command.
This command can only be used in device buffer mode.

Data acquisition
When using the device buffer, the conversion data stored in memory can be retrieved using a software
command.
The figure below shows the correspondence between the sampling count and the conversion channel for
the conversion data stored in memory.

Input data is acquired differently depending on the memory format used.
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- Data acquisition in FIFO format
  When FIFO memory is used, the oldest data is always read first.
  The following sketch shows an image of data acquisition in FIFO format.
  When data is acquired from the memory, the free memory space increases by that data size. When data is acquired next, the oldest one of the existing data items is taken from the memory in the same way.
  The FIFO memory deletes data once that data is acquired.

- Data acquisition in ring format
  When ring memory is used, data is read always with respect to the current input data write position.
  The following sketch shows an image of data acquisition in ring format.
  The sampling count obtained is always the number of times of sampling for up to the latest data (shaded portion below).
  The larger the number of samples taken, the older the data item acquired first.
  As the ring memory retains data even after that data is acquired, you can fetch the same data any number of times.
Input data

The following equation represents the relationship between input data and voltage.

\[
\text{Voltage} = \text{Input data} \times (\text{Max. range value} - \text{Min. range value}) / \text{Resolution} + \text{Min. range value}
\]

The value of resolution for the 16-bit device is 65536.

The table below shows the relationship between input data and voltage in the ±10V range.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Voltage</th>
<th>Conversion data (16-bit)</th>
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<tr>
<td>+9.99970V</td>
<td>65535</td>
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<td>:</td>
<td>:</td>
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<tr>
<td>0.00030V</td>
<td>32769</td>
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<tr>
<td>0V</td>
<td>32768</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>-0.00030V</td>
<td>32767</td>
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<tr>
<td>:</td>
<td>:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>-10.000V</td>
<td>0</td>
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</table>

Ex.: When input data 49152 is input at a resolution of 16-bit in the ±10V range

\[
\text{Voltage} = 49152 \times (10 - (-10)) \div 65536 + (-10) = 5.0
\]

4. Reset

Various states can be reset by executing the following reset commands:

Status

This command resets the sampling clock error status and AD conversion error status.

Memory

This can only be used when the transfer mode is set to device buffer mode.

This command resets the following memory related states.
- Resets the conversion data in memory.
- Resets the sampling count to 0 when a stop trigger is input.
- Resets the buffer overflow status.
- Resets the status information for the specified data save count.
Analog Output Function

This product converts digital data to analog signals according to the resolution. You can set a variety of conditions for analog output, including the output channel, sampling period, and sampling start/stop conditions.

Analog output processes are classified as follows:

1. Setting the Conversion Conditions
   - Resolution
   - Channel
   - Range
   - Output data
   - Data transfer method
   - Memory
   - Repeat
   - Setting data

2. Starting/Stopping Operation
   - Start
   - Stop

3. Monitoring the Status and Acquiring Data
   - Status
   - Sampling
   - Repeat

4. Reset
   - Status
   - Memory
1. Setting the Conversion Conditions

First, set the conditions for executing analog output.

Resolution

"Resolution" signifies the number of bits used by an analog output device to represent analog signals. The higher the resolution, the more finely the voltage range is segmented, allowing the device to convert digital values to analog equivalents more precisely.

A device with a resolution of 12-bit divides the range width into 4096 segments. When the device covers the range of 0 - 10V, the minimum unit of converted voltages is

$$\frac{10}{4096} \approx 2.44\text{mV}.$$  

If the device has a resolution of 16-bit, it is

$$\frac{10}{65536} \approx 0.153\text{mV}.$$  

AIO-160802AY-USB : The resolution is 16-bit.

Channel

"Channel" represents each point of analog output.

For individual channel numbers, see "Using the On-board Connectors" to "Connector Pin Assignment" in Chapter 3 "External Connection".

You can specify an arbitrary number of points of analog output by setting the channels by means of software.

Range

"Range" means the range of voltages at which analog output can be performed.

Software setup of the range is not required as this product uses a fixed range of voltages.

AIO-160802AY-USB : ±10V
Output data

Output data = \((\text{Voltage} - \text{Min. range value}) \times \text{Resolution}) / (\text{Max. range value} - \text{Min. range value})\)

The value of resolution for the 16-bit device is 65536.

The table below shows the relationship between output data and voltage in the ±10-V range.

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Ex.: When 3V is output at a resolution of 16-bit in the ±10-V range

\[
\text{Output data} = (3 - (-10)) \times 65536 \div (10 - (-10)) = 42598.4
\]

* The value that can be set as output data at this time is an integer. Select "42598" or "42599" as the output data.

The analog signal corresponding to the output data contains an error as follows:
- Output data "42598" converted to: 2.9998 V
- Output data "42598" converted to: 3.0001 V

This error is a consequential error occurring when output data is obtained from an expected analog value.
Data transfer method

A device buffer mode is available, which uses the device's or driver's conversion data storage memory.

- Device buffer mode
  The application output data is first stored in the device buffer (memory on the device itself or in the driver).
  When conversion starts, the device starts outputting the output data.
  The device buffer can operate as FIFO or RING memory.
  The device buffer mode provides a function that allows the number of items of conversion data using the number of sampling times as a unit to set the number of items of conversion data directly using the voltage.
6. Functions

Memory format
This product uses device buffer transfer mode; it does not require software setup of the memory format.

Device buffer mode
- FIFO format
  Use FIFO format if you wish to output a continuous arbitrary analog output like that shown below.

When using FIFO format, writing of conversion data to memory is always performed from after the most recent data and DA conversion is performed on the oldest data in memory. You can write to memory during analog output operation. An error occurs if the volume of data exceeds the memory size. However, this error does not stop analog output if it is in progress.
- Ring format
  Use ring format if you wish to output a repeated pattern like that shown below.

When using ring format, write the data for one complete cycle of the output waveform before starting operation.
You cannot write to the memory during its operation of analog output.
DA conversion data is output continuously in the sequence in which the ring format data is stored.

* Although the figure shows a single analog output channel, output from multiple channels is also possible.
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Setting data

Use a software command to save the data in memory.
The figure below shows the relationship between the conversion data stored in memory and the sampling count and conversion channels.

The procedure for setting the conversion data is different depending on the memory format being used.

- Procedure for FIFO format
  When using FIFO format, setting data to memory is always performed from the most recent data. New data can be added during conversion.

- Procedure for RING format
  When using ring format, a ring memory area large enough for the data to be set is reserved. Data cannot be modified during DA conversion.
Clock
The sampling clock controls the sampling frequency. You can select either the internal sampling clock, or external sampling clock. The sampling clock is selected by means of software.

- Internal sampling clock
  The clock signal from the on-board clock generator is used.

- External sampling clock
  The edge of the digital signal input from an external device is used for the sampling clock.

Start Condition
The condition for controlling the start of sampling can be selected from among software, external trigger. The conditions for controlling the start and stop of sampling are completely independent of each other; they can be set separately.

- Software
  This product starts sampling and storing input data to memory immediately after the operation start command is issued.

- External trigger
  This product starts waiting for an external control signal as soon as the operation start command is output.
  Sampling and data transfer from memory start when the specified edge (rising edge or falling edge) is input from the external control signal.

Stop Condition
The condition for controlling the stop of sampling can be selected from among the last sampling count, an external trigger, and software abort.
This product stops sampling whenever an error occurs irrespective of the stop condition setting.

- Last sampling count
  This product stops sampling after storing input data to memory for the specified number of times of sampling.

- External trigger
  This product starts waiting for an external control signal after the specified number of samples have been performed. Sampling stops when the specified edge (rising edge or falling edge) is input from the external control signal.

- Software
  Sampling continues indefinitely in this mode. Sampling only stops in response to a software command or an error.
6. Functions

Event
“Event” works as a function for reporting the occurrence of a certain product state to the application. The following events can be used in combination depending on the specifications and purpose of the application.

- “DA conversion start condition satisfied” event
  This event occurs when the DA conversion start condition is satisfied. The event is nullified when the conversion start condition is “software”.

- “Repeat end” event
  This even occurs whenever a repetition is completed.

- “End of device operation” event
  This event occurs when the entire operation including repetitions is completed.

- “Specified number of output samples complete” event
  This event occurs when the number of output samples specified by software have been completed. This event is used when the device buffer mode is used for data transfer.

- Specified number of transfers event
  This event occurs each time a specified number of samples (set by software) has been completed. When FIFO format is used, the event occurs when the remaining number of samples falls below a specified level. The event occurs repeatedly as long as this condition is satisfied. When ring memory format is used, the event occurs when the number of samples output from memory reaches a specified value. The event occurs for the specified number of repetitions. This event is used when the user buffer mode is used for data transfer.

- Sampling clock error event
  This event occurs when conversion stops as an error occurs due to a sampling clock period that is too short.

- DA conversion error event
  This event occurs when conversion stops due to an DA conversion error.

2. Starting/Stopping Operation
Analog output operation is started by a software command (the analog output start command). Similarly, you can stop analog output at any time using a software command (the analog output stop command).
3. Monitoring the Status and Acquiring Data

You can use a software command to check the status of analog output operation and of the output data stored in memory.

The current state of the device can be checked by obtaining the device status.

The following types of device status are available:

- **Device operating**
  The “device operating” status remains ON, after the execution of the sampling start command until this product completes conversion, aborts operation due to an error, or stops sampling in response to the command.

- **Waiting for start trigger**
  This status remains ON, after this product starts sampling until the start trigger is input, if the conversion start condition is an external trigger or level comparison. The status is set to OFF when the input trigger is input to start conversion.

- **Specified number of data outputs**
  This status turns ON when the output data set in memory has reached a predefined number of samples.

- **Sampling clock error**
  This error occurs when the sampling clock period is too short.

- **DA conversion error**
  If the “device operating” status remains ON (without terminating conversion) for an extended period of time, the driver regards that state as an operation error and sets this status to ON. This error stops sampling.

**Sampling**

The number of sampled items of output data transferred from in memory can be obtained by the software command.

This command can only be used in device buffer mode.

4. Reset

Various states can be reset by executing the following reset commands:

**Status**

This command resets the sampling clock error status and AD conversion error status.

**Memory**

This can only be used when the transfer mode is set to device buffer mode.

This command resets the following memory related states.

- Resets the conversion data in memory.
- Resets the repeat count to 0.
- Resets the sampling count to 0 when a stop trigger is input.
- Resets the status information for the specified data save count.
Digital Input Function

Input bit
Individual digital input points are called input bits.
When the number of input points of a device is 4, the bits are determined as bit 0 - bit 3.

<table>
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<th>Bit 0</th>
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Input in Bits
The state 1 (ON) or 0 (OFF) of each input bit can be obtained by specifying the bit.

Input in Bytes
Individual input bits can be input in byte units.
When the number of input points of the device is 4, the individual input bits are arranged as shown below and the byte data to be input is a value between 0 and 15 depending on the states of the bits.

EX. Input of bit 3 (OFF), bit 2 (ON), bit 1 (OFF), bit 0 (ON)
Byte data = 05(5H)

Digital filter
A digital filter can be used on the input bits.
The filter time can be set to "don't use", 1μs by software.
Digital Output Function

Output bit
Individual digital output points are called output bits. When the number of output points of a device is 4, the bits are determined as bit 0 - bit 3.

| Bit 3 | Bit 2 | Bit 1 | Bit 0 |
---|---|---|---|

Output in Bits
The state of each output bit can be changed to ON or OFF by specifying the bit and setting it to 1 or 0.

Output in Bytes
Individual output bits can be output in byte units. When the number of output points of the device is 4, the individual output bits are arranged as shown below and byte data to be output is a value between 0 and 15.

Ex. Output of bit 3 (ON), bit 2 (OFF), bit 1 (ON), bit 0 (OFF)
Byte data = 10(AH)
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<td>Single-Ended Input</td>
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<td>8ch</td>
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<td>Input range</td>
<td>Bipolar ±10V</td>
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<td>Maximum input rating</td>
<td>±20V</td>
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<td>±1mA</td>
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<td>Unisolated input 4ch (LVTTL positive logic) <em>4</em>5</td>
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<td>Number of output</td>
<td>Unisolated output 4ch (LVTTL positive logic)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>USB</strong></td>
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<td>Bus specification</td>
<td>USB Specification 2.0/1.1 standard</td>
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<td>USB transfer rate</td>
<td>12Mbps (Full-speed), 480Mbps (High-speed) *6</td>
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<td>Power supply</td>
<td>Bus power</td>
</tr>
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<td><strong>Common section</strong></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Connector</td>
<td>14 pin (screw-terminal) plug header</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Number of terminals</td>
<td>127 terminals (Max.) *7</td>
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<tr>
<td>used at the same</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>time</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Power consumption</td>
<td>5VDC 450mA</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(Max.)</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Operating condition</td>
<td>0 - 50°C, 10 - 90%RH (No condensation)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Physical dimensions</td>
<td>64(W) x 62(D) x 24(H) (exclusive of protrusions)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(mm)</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Weight</td>
<td>90g (Not including the USB cable, attachment)</td>
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<td>Attached cable</td>
<td>USB cable 1.8m</td>
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<tr>
<td>Compatible wires</td>
<td>AWG28 - 16</td>
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*1 The non-linearity error means an error of approximately 0.1% occurs over the maximum range at 0°C and 50°C ambient temperature.

*2 When using the signal source equipped with the high-speed operational amplifier.

*3 This numerical displays the conversion speed for A/D, D/A converter. The minimum executable sampling cycle depends on the operating condition of the terminal.

*4 You cannot use both the DI00 / DI01 / DI02-pin of digital input feature and the external start / stop signal / external clock input simultaneously.

*5 Each input accept TTL (5VDC) level signals.

*6 The USB transfer speed depends on the host PC environment used (OS and USB host controller).

*7 As a USB hub is also counted as one device, you cannot just connect 127 USB terminals.

*8 1K Data (1024 data) of buffer memory are implemented.

If (the number of channels) x (the number of samples) ≤ 1024 data, a sampling with an A/D converter's conversion rate of 10μSEC/ch is available.

However, the actual amount of data that can be stored in the buffer memory will decrease; one unit of data of the buffer memory is consumed per sampling as the internal status.
The following is an image of the buffer memory:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Status</th>
<th>0ch</th>
<th>1ch</th>
<th>2ch</th>
</tr>
</thead>
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When the number of channels is one:

<table>
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<th>Status</th>
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When the number of channels is two:

<table>
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<th>Status</th>
<th>0ch</th>
<th>1ch</th>
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When the number of channels is three:

<table>
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<th>Status</th>
<th>0ch</th>
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<th>2ch</th>
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Consequently, the relationship among the number of channels, the number of samplings, and the sampling clock that can be sampled as described in the specification of the hardware is as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sampling channel</th>
<th>number of channel</th>
<th>number of sampling</th>
<th>Sampling clock</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0ch</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>512</td>
<td>10µsec</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0-1ch</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>341</td>
<td>20µsec</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0-2ch</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>256</td>
<td>30µsec</td>
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<td>0-3ch</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>204</td>
<td>40µsec</td>
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<tr>
<td>0-4ch</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>170</td>
<td>50µsec</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0-5ch</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>146</td>
<td>60µsec</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0-6ch</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>128</td>
<td>70µsec</td>
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<tr>
<td>0-7ch</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>113</td>
<td>80µsec</td>
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</table>

In the driver data software, the buffer memory is expanded to a 256 x 1024 data.

However, if the number of samplings that exceeds the table above is specified, an adjustment of the sampling clock is required for the data transfer process from the device to the PC, which may prevent a sampling with the sampling clock above.

**Physical dimensions**

[Figure 7.1. Physical dimensions]
Block Diagram

Figure 7.2. Block Diagram
Control Signal Timings

Control Signal Timings for Analog Input

Figures 7.3, 7.4, 7.5, and Table 7.2 show the control signal timings for the analog input function.

![Timing Chart of External Sampling Clock](image1)

**Figure 7.3. Timing Chart of External Sampling Clock**

![Timing Chart of Sampling Start Control Signal](image2)

**Figure 7.4. Timing Chart of Sampling Start Control Signal**

![Timing Chart of Sampling Stop Control Signal](image3)

**Figure 7.5. Timing Chart of Sampling Stop Control Signal**

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<tr>
<td>Delay from external sampling clock cycle to first channel A/D conversion start pulse</td>
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<tr>
<td>Set up time of sampling start (Rising edge)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hold time of sampling start (Rising edge)</td>
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<td>Set up time of sampling start (Falling edge)</td>
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<td>Hold time of sampling start (Falling edge)</td>
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<td>Hold time of sampling stop (Falling edge)</td>
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⚠️ **CAUTION**

The times listed in Table 7.2 are for standard operating conditions.
Control Signal Timings for Analog Output

Figures 7.6, 7.7, 7.8, and Table 7.3 show the control signal timings for the analog output function.

![Timing Chart of External Sampling Clock (Analog output)](image)

**Figure 7.6. Timing Chart of External Sampling Clock (Analog output)**

![Timing Chart of Sampling Start Control Signal](image)

**Figure 7.7. Timing Chart of Sampling Start Control Signal**

![Timing Chart of Sampling Stop Control Signal](image)

**Figure 7.8. Timing Chart of Sampling Stop Control Signal**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Symbol</th>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Unit</th>
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<td>Delay from external sampling clock to actual start</td>
<td>tDCS</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>nsec</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Settling time</td>
<td>tWS</td>
<td>10000</td>
<td>nsec</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Set up time of sampling start (Rising edge)</td>
<td>tSRS</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>nsec</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hold time of sampling start (Rising edge)</td>
<td>tHRS</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>nsec</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Set up time of sampling start (Falling edge)</td>
<td>tSFS</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>nsec</td>
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<td>Hold time of sampling start (Falling edge)</td>
<td>tHFS</td>
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<tr>
<td>Set up time of sampling stop (Rising edge)</td>
<td>tSRP</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>nsec</td>
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<td>Hold time of sampling stop (Rising edge)</td>
<td>tHFP</td>
<td>100</td>
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The times listed in Table 7.3 are for standard operating conditions.
About Calibration

This product is calibrated before shipping. If the factory default accuracy may not be acceptable to your usage environment, you can use the calibration program to calibrate analog input yourself.

Starting the calibration program

Click the [Calibration] button on the property page for the device to start the calibration program.

* The name of the connected product will be displayed.
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* The product-specific number will be displayed as the serial number.

Proceed with connecting the calibration equipment and performing the calibration in accordance with the instructions displayed by the calibration program.

Analog input calibration

Analog input calibration requires a reference voltage generator.
As the analog input has 16-bit resolution, use a reference voltage generator with a precision of at least 5 digits after the decimal point.
Calibrate one channel only for each range that you use.

Analog output calibration

Analog output calibration requires a digital multimeter.
As the analog output has 16-bit resolution, use a multimeter with a precision of at least 5 digits after the decimal point.
Calibrate each channel separately for each range that you use.

Factory setting

You can use the calibration program to restore the factory calibration settings.

If the prescribed performance cannot be achieved, contact your retailer.