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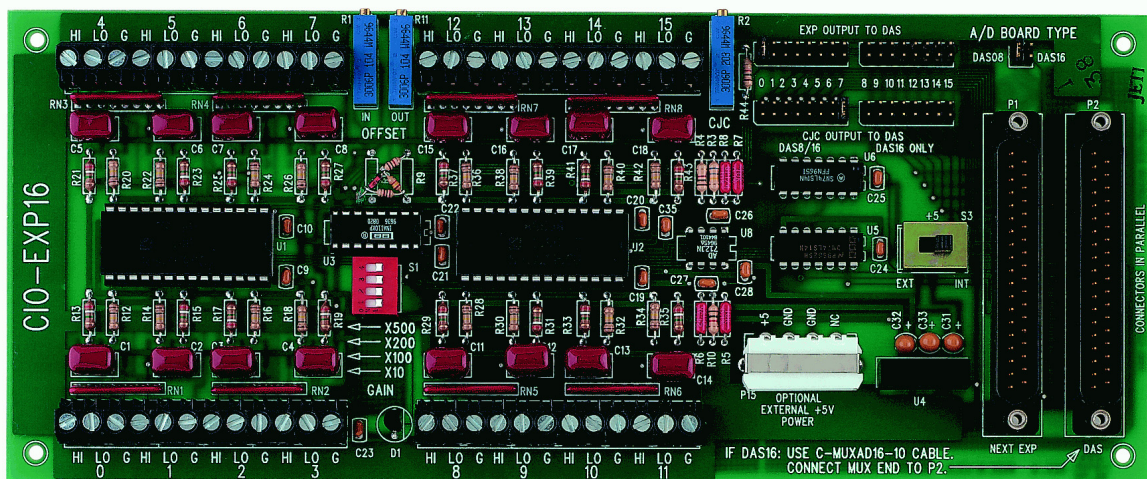
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About this User's Guide

What you will learn from this user's guide

This user's guide explains how to install, configure, and use the CIO-EXP16 so that you get the most out of its analog input and digital I/O features.

This user's guide also refers you to related documents available on our web site, and to technical support resources.

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Never touch the exposed pins or circuit connections on the board.

Where to find more information

The following electronic documents provide helpful information relevant to the operation of the CIO-EXP16.

- MCC's *Specifications: CIO-EXP16* (the PDF version of the *Specifications* chapter in this guide) is available on our web site at www.mccdaq.com/pdfs/CIO-EXP16.pdf.
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CIO-EXP16 User's Guide (this document) is also available on our web site at www.mccdaq.com/PDFmanuals/CIO-EXP16.pdf.

Introducing the CIO-EXP16

Overview: CIO-EXP16 features

The CIO-EXP16 is a 16-channel signal conditioning accessory board supported under popular Microsoft® Windows® operating systems.

The CIO-EXP16 is used to expand the number of analog inputs and the range of amplification of DAS08 and DAS16 series boards. Using multiple CIO-EXP16 boards, a 16 channel A/D board can be expanded to up to 256 inputs; an 8 channel A/D board can be expanded to up to 128 inputs.

The CIO-EXP16 board has 16 differential inputs that are multiplexed into one single-ended output channel. Four digital inputs are controlled by the A/D board's digital outputs, and are used to select one of the multiplexed channels for output. An on-board semiconductor sensor provides a cold junction compensation (CJC) reference for thermocouple applications.

You select one channel on the A/D board to send the multiplexed analog output to. In addition, you can output the CJC signal to a second A/D board channel. You can enable an input filter, ground reference, and open thermocouple detect options for each channel using on-board solder gap switches. You specify the gain of the multiplexer with an onboard gain switch.

You can power the CIO-EXP16 internally from the A/D board, or externally from the computer's +5 V power supply connectors.

The CIO-EXP16 board is mounted externally to the PC. It can be placed in the open on a benchtop or in a case.

Software features

For information on the features of *InstaCal* and the other software included with your CIO-EXP16, refer to the *Quick Start Guide* that shipped with your device. The *Quick Start Guide* is also available in PDF at www.mccdaq.com/PDFmanuals/DAQ-Software-Quick-Start.pdf.

Check www.mccdaq.com/download.htm for the latest software version.

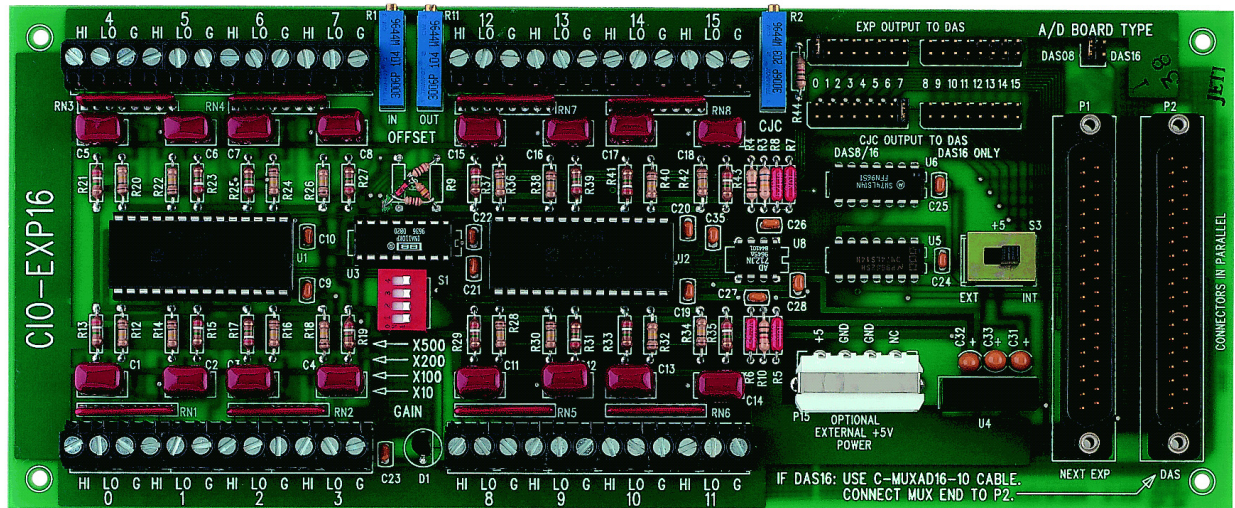
Installing the CIO-EXP16

What comes with your CIO-EXP16 shipment?

The following items are shipped with the CIO-EXP16.

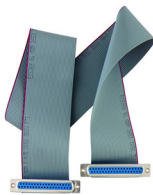
Hardware

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Optional components

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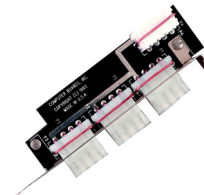
C37FF-x



C-EXP2DAS16-10



C-PCPOWER-10



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Additional documentation

In addition to this hardware user's guide, you should also receive the *Quick Start Guide* (available in PDF at www.mccdaq.com/PDFmanuals/DAQ-Software-Quick-Start.pdf). This booklet supplies a brief description of the software you received with your CIO-EXP16 and information regarding installation of that software. Please read this booklet completely before installing any software or hardware.

Unpacking the CIO-EXP16

As with any electronic device, you should take care while handling to avoid damage from static electricity. Before removing the CIO-EXP16 from its packaging, ground yourself using a wrist strap or by simply touching the computer chassis or other grounded object to eliminate any stored static charge.

If any components are missing or damaged, notify Measurement Computing Corporation immediately by phone, fax, or e-mail:

- Phone: 508-946-5100 and follow the instructions for reaching Tech Support.
- Fax: 508-946-9500 to the attention of Tech Support
- Email: techsupport@mccdaq.com

Connecting to the A/D board

There are two 37-pin D type connectors on the CIO-EXP16 — P1 and P2. They are wired 1:1. Connector P1 is labeled **NEXT EXP**, and is provided to daisy chain additional CIO-EXP16 boards. Use a C37FF-x cable to daisy chain the CIO-EXP16 boards together. Do not exceed 50 feet in length.

Signals may be connected from the CIO-EXP16 board to the A/D board through one of two types of cables. The cable used depends upon the type of A/D board you are connecting to. The table below lists the CIO-EXP16 board's connectors and compatible cables.

Board connector, cables, and accessory equipment

Connector type	P1 and P2: 37-pin D type connector
Compatible cables with connector P1	C37FF-x (connecting to additional CIO-EXP16 boards)
Compatible cables with connector P2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ C37FF-x (connecting to a DAS08 board) ▪ C-EXP2DAS16-10 (connecting to a DAS16 board)

Signal cable

The CIO-EXP16 signal connector is nearly a mirror of the CIO-DAS08 signal cable.

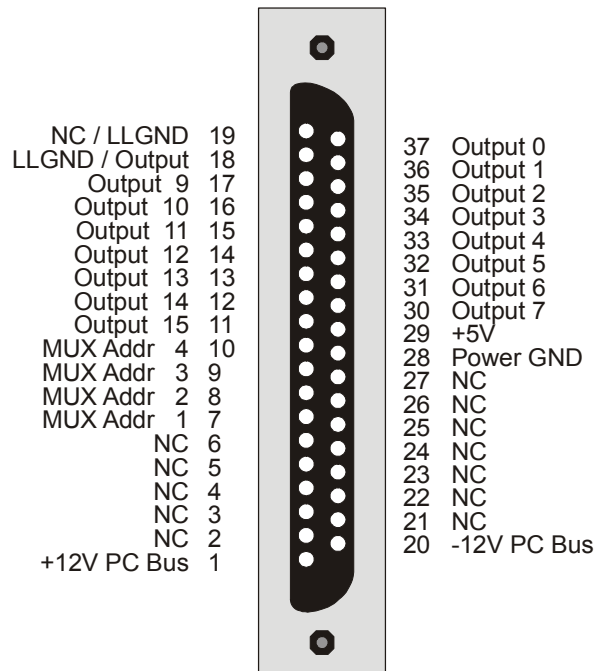


Figure 1. Connector P2/P1

Cabling

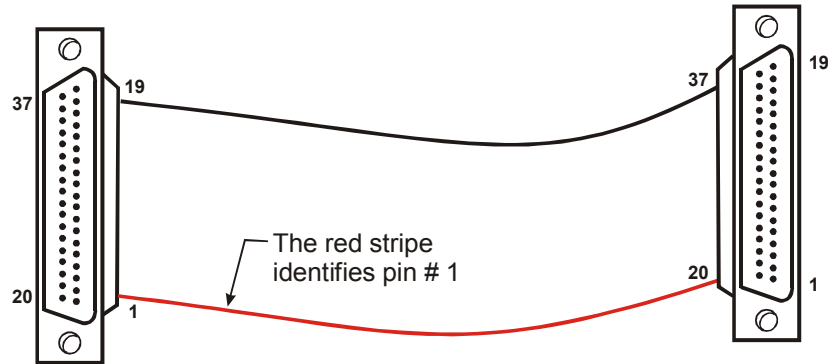


Figure 2. C37FF-x cable

Connecting to a DAS08 Series board

Leave the **A/D BOARD TYPE** jumper in the default **DAS08** position. Use a C37FF-x cable to connect to DAS08 series boards.

Connecting to a DAS16 Series A/D Board

Set the **A/D BOARD TYPE** jumper to the **DAS16** position.

Connection to a DAS16 series board requires a special 37-conductor cable (C-EXP2DAS16-10) since the pin relationship of the CIO-EXP16 and DAS16 signals is not 1:1. Refer to the C-EXP2DAS16-10 cable pin out table below.

C-EXP2DAS16-10 cable pin out

P1 (MUX)	P2
7	23
8	4
9	22
10	3
11	11
12	12
13	13
14	14
15	15
16	16
17	17
18	18
19	19
28	7
29	1
30	30
31	31
32	32
33	33
34	34
35	35
36	36
37	37
N/C	Shell Shield

Information on signal connections

General information regarding signal connection and configuration is available in the *Guide to Signal Connections* (available at www.mccdaq.com/signals/signals.pdf).

Configuring the CIO-EXP16

Before using the CIO-EXP16, there are switches and jumpers to set, and one or more cables to install. Please turn the PC power OFF before proceeding. The CIO-EXP16 is shipped with the factory-default settings listed in the following table.

Factory-configured default settings

Jumper/switch	Description	Default setting
Power source select switch S3	+5V power switch that sets the power source to internal or external	INT (internal +5V PC power)
A/D BOARD TYPE jumper	Selects DAS08 or DAS16 compatibility	DAS08
EXP OUTPUT TO DAS jumper	Selects the A/D board channel to connect the multiplexed analog output to.	0 (EXP multiplexed output connects to channel 0 on the A/D board)
CJC OUTPUT TO DAS jumper	Selects the A/D board channel to connect the CJC output to.	7 (CJC circuit connects to channel 7 on the A/D board)
GAIN switches S1	Four DIP switches that set the gain of the differential amplifier.	Gain = 1 (all gain switches OFF)
V, C and G solder bridge switches (one for each input channel)	Three 'connect pads' per channel on the etch side (under side) of the CIO-EXP16 board. Bridge each pad to configures its associated input channel as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bridge the V pads to enable <i>open thermocouple detection</i> for the associated input channel. ▪ Bridge the C pads to connect a 1 μF capacitor across the signal high and low inputs, forming a low-pass filter having a 7 Hz cutoff. ▪ Bridge the G pads to enable a <i>reference to ground</i> for the associated input channel. 	Open pads (all are not bridged)

Figure 3 shows the location of the board jumpers, switches, and connectors. The solder bridges are on the under side of the board, and are not shown in the figure.

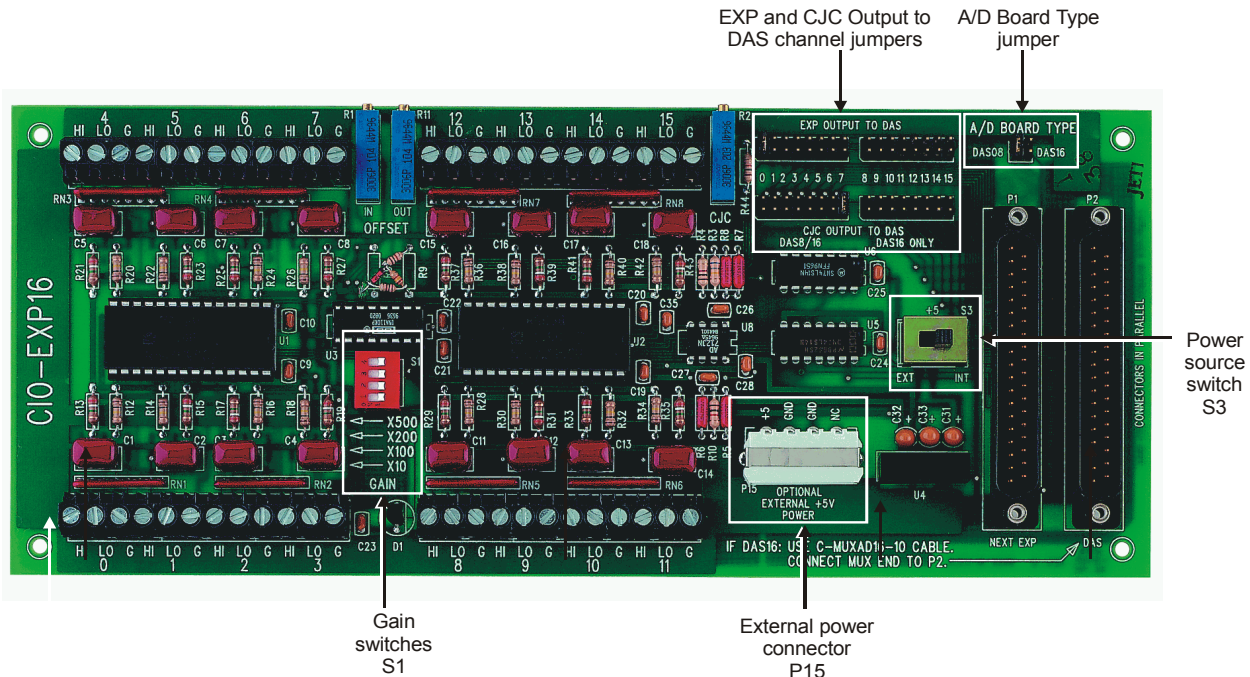


Figure 3. Switch, jumper, and connector locations

Before using the CIO-EXP16, verify that the board is configured with the settings that you want. Review the following information to change the default configuration of a jumper, switch, or solder gap.

Power source

You can supply +5V DC power to the via the 37-conductor cable from the A/D board in the PC (internal), or via a separate optional power cable connected directly to the PC power supply (external). The internal method is adequate for powering up to five CIO-EXP16 boards. Supply external power (connect the C-PCPOWER-10 power cable) when:

- More than five CIO-EXP16 boards are used with one A/D board.
- The A/D board in use does not supply +5V to its connector

Configure the CIO-EXP16 board's power source with switch **S3** for either internal or external power. Figure 4 shows this switch configured in both positions.

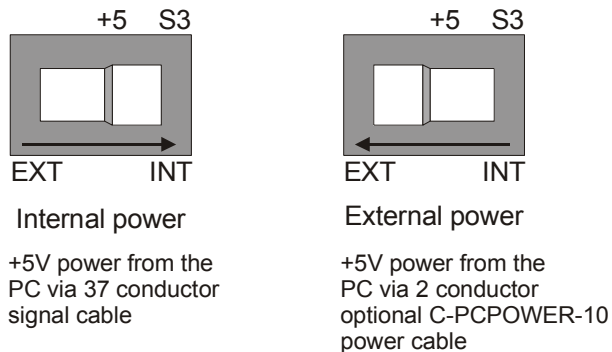


Figure 4. Power source-select switch

External +5 V PC power connections

You can power the CIO-EXP16 with your computer's +5V power supply using the optional **C-PCPOWER-10** cord. Each end of the cable has a keyed Molex® type connector. To connect to your computer's power connectors, do the following:

1. Turn off power to the computer and remove the cover.
2. Connect the black cable with the white Molex® type connectors to one of the unused PC expansion power connectors from the PC power supply. They are keyed, so the cable will plug into the expansion connector easily when they are aligned (see Figure 5).

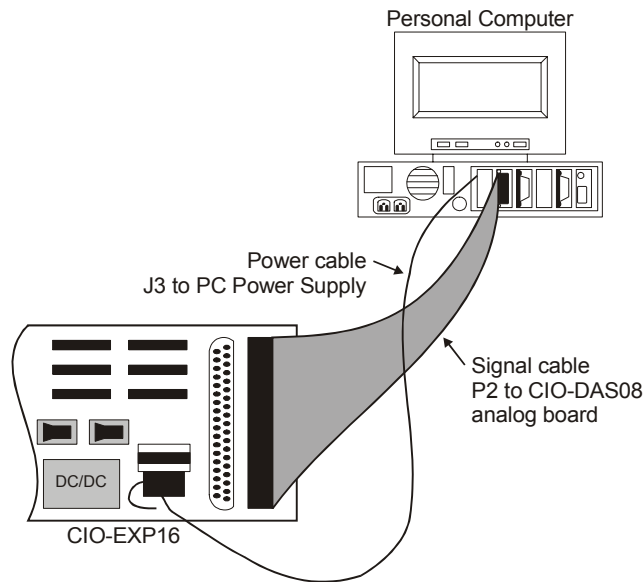


Figure 5. External power cable installation

3. Run the power cable out the back of the computer through an expansion slot or other opening and replace the cover on the computer.

You can alternatively connect the C-PCPOWER-10 to a BP-POWER adaptor to bring PC power out of the computer. This adaptor provides three standard power connectors mounted on a backplate. Details on this product are available on our web site at www.mccdaq.com/cbicatalog/cbiproduct.asp?dept_id=103&pf_id=3.

Caution! Be careful not to pinch the cable when you replace the cover—if this cable is cut, the resulting short circuit can damage the computer.

4. Connect the other end of the power cord to the connector labeled "**OPTIONAL EXTERNAL +5V POWER**" (**P15**) on the CIO-EXP16. This end is keyed also. Refer to Figure 3 for the location of this connector.
5. Slide the power source select switch (**S3**) to the **EXT** position.

A/D board type

Use the 4-pin jumper labeled **A/D BOARD TYPE** to configure the C/O-EXP16 for use with the DAS08 family of boards or the DAS16 family of boards. Place the jumper in the position for the type of A/D board you are using with the C/O-EXP16. Figure 6 shows the jumper configured with its default setting of DAS08.

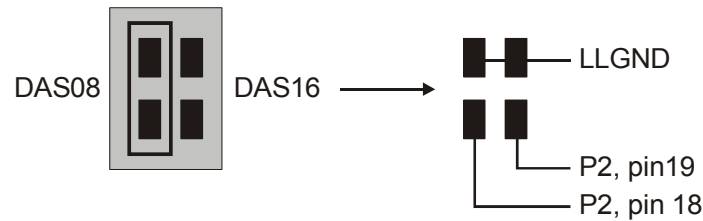


Figure 6. Board type select jumper

A/D Channel for EXP Output

Select a separate A/D channel for each C/O-EXP16 output that you plan to use. Each C/O-EXP16 has two potential signals — the output of the 16 multiplexed inputs, and the output of the CJC circuit. The output of the C/O-EXP16 selected channel is an input to the A/D board.

Two rows of 16 jumper pairs located near the 37-pin connectors are labeled with A/D board channel numbers (see Figure 7). These channel numbers designate which of the A/D board's input channels will be connected to the MUX board's output(s). Each C/O-EXP16 output, if used, must be exclusively assigned to an A/D channel using these jumpers. In other words, for all C/O-EXP16 boards attached to an A/D board, only one jumper on any of the jumper blocks should be assigned to a particular channel.

Figure 7 shows the layout of the jumper blocks on the C/O-EXP16.

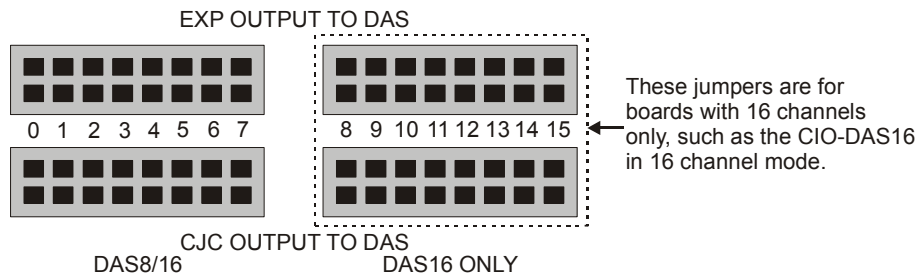


Figure 7. EXP Channel Select and CJC Select jumper blocks

The C/O-EXP16 has 16 input channels multiplexed into one output. This output is connected to the jumper block labeled **EXP OUTPUT TO DAS**. This jumper block determines which analog input channel of the A/D board in the computer is connected to the output from the C/O-EXP16 board.

The C/O-EXP16 also has a semiconductor temperature sensor on board to measure the temperature of the board in the region of the screw terminals. The temperature at the screw terminals is needed when thermocouples are used with the C/O-EXP16. The temperature at the screw terminals is called the *Cold Junction* temperature, and is needed to accurately calculate thermocouple temperature. This is known as *Cold Junction Compensation*.

When a C/O-EXP16 channel is used with a thermocouple, install the **CJC OUTPUT TO DAS** jumper in the desired channel location. If you are not using thermocouples, do not install it.

- Select the A/D board channel to connect the multiplexed analog output to using the jumpers labeled **EXP OUTPUT TO DAS**.
Channels 0-15 are connected by default to A/D board channel 0.
- Select the A/D board channel to connect the CJC output to (if required) using the jumpers labeled **CJC OUTPUT TO DAS**.
C/O-EXP CJC is connected by default to A/D channel 7.

Channel selection for the DAS08 family

The DAS08 family of boards has eight channels of input, so only CIO-EXP16 jumper positions 0-7 are valid.

Many boards in the DAS08 family of boards have single-ended inputs, which is the correct type to connect to a CIO-EXP16. If the inputs on the board type you are using are differential, they must be converted to single-ended inputs (refer to the hardware user's manual supplied with your A/D board for more information).

You can connect up to eight banks of 16 CIO-EXP16 inputs to a DAS08 series board, for a total of 128 inputs.

Channel selection for the DAS16 family

The CIO-EXP16 jumper positions 0-7 and 8-15 can be used with the CIO-DAS16. You can connect up to 16 banks of 16 CIO-EXP16 inputs to a DAS16 series board, for a total of 256 inputs.

Most of the DAS16 family of A/D is switch-selectable for either 8 differential or 16 single-ended channels. Set the switch for 16-channel, single-ended mode.

EXP Gain

The CIO-EXP16 has a bank of four DIP switches that control the gain of the differential amplifier (Figure 8).

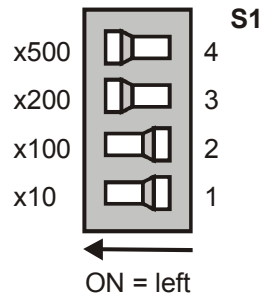


Figure 8. Gain switch

The gain associated with a switch is 'ON' when the switch is to the left, and 'OFF' when the switch is to the right. The gains are additive, so a total of 16 different gains are possible. The board is shipped with all switches off (gain =1). The switch shown in Figure 8 is configured for a gain of 700 (500 + 200).

For most thermocouple applications, the gain should be set to at least 100. Refer to the section Amplification and thermocouples on page 20 for data on setting optimum amplifier gains when using thermocouples.

For most other applications, the gain should be set to result in output signal levels as close to $\pm 5V$ or $\pm 10V$ (depending on the range setting on the A/D board) as possible.

Solder gap switches

Each analog input channel on the CIO-EXP16 has three dedicated solder gap switches labeled **C**, **V**, and **G** on the circuit side (under side) of the board. Each solder gap switch enables a different thermocouple option. A typical set of solder gap switches is shown here.



Figure 9. Solder gap switches (typical per channel)

A solder gap switch has two pads. Turn on each switch by soldering the pads together to close them — this is called a *solder bridge*. When closed, or bridged, the pads connect resistors and capacitors to the input signals and enable the following options:

- **Open thermocouple detect (V pad)** — enables open thermocouple detection to alert you if a thermocouple breaks. Note that your software program must be designed to recognize when a negative full-scale condition exists, since the input is pulled to minus full-scale if the thermocouple wire is broken or disconnected.
- **Input filter (C pad)** — connects a 1 μF capacitor across the signal high and low inputs. This forms a 7 Hz low pass filter that filters out signal noise that is picked up on the thermocouple wire.

- **Input ground reference (G pad)** — provides a reference to ground through a 100 k resistor. This reference prohibits floating thermocouple readings.

You should bridge the C and G pads with solder for each channel that you install a thermocouple. Bridging these pads reduces the noise present when you take temperature readings, and helps to obtain a more accurate temperature reading. The C, V, and G pads are all open when the board is shipped.

How to add and remove a solder bridge

To add a solder bridge to a solder gap switch, place a drop of solder on one of the pads and pull the soldering iron perpendicular to the pads from their center. To remove a solder bridge, slide the soldering iron toward one pad or the other. Take care not to overheat the solder, or the pads may lift.

Configuring the A/D board

Use *InstaCal* to change the following configuration options on your DAS08 or DAS16 Series board.

Single-ended mode

DAS08 setup: The input mode of the A/D board must be single-ended to be compatible with the CIO-EXP16 outputs. Some of the boards in the DAS08 series have differential inputs that can be converted to single-ended inputs. Refer to the user's manual for your hardware for information on conversion to single-ended inputs.

DAS16 setup: The input mode of the A/D board must be single-ended to be compatible with the CIO-EXP16 outputs. Most of the DAS16 series is switch-selectable for either 8 differential or 16 single ended inputs. When used with the CIO-EXP16, set the switch to 16 channel, single-ended mode.

Range

If the range of your A/D board is switch-selectable, and you are using thermocouples, set the range of the DAS board to ± 5 V, if available, or ± 10 V if not. Some software packages base the calculation of temperature on these ranges only.

If you are not using thermocouples, set the range of the DAS board to accommodate the maximum output expected from the CIO-EXP16 board.

Polarity

If your A/D board has a UNI / BIP switch for setting the range to either unipolar or bipolar, the preferred setting is BIP (bipolar).

If the range on your A/D board is fully programmable, the software you use for temperature measurement will determine the correct range to use.

Calibrating the CIO-EXP16

You should calibrate the CIO-EXP16 after you first connect to a A/D board, if you change the gain setting of the input amplifier, and at 6 month intervals.

Functional Details

CIO-EXP16 inputs

The CIO-EXP16 inputs are screw terminals which will accept 12-22 AWG wire. Each channel has a screw terminal for signal high, signal low and ground.

The inputs are differential, which require three connections from the signal source to the CIO-EXP16 — Signal High, Signal Low, and Signal Ground. A typical connection is shown in Figure 10.

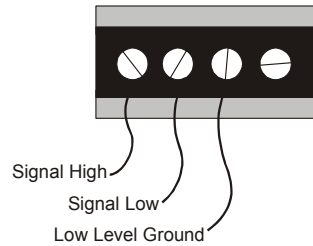


Figure 10. Differential channel connections

Figure 11 shows a block diagram of the board's 16 analog inputs. One input is selected by the four MUX address lines that are controlled by the A/D board.

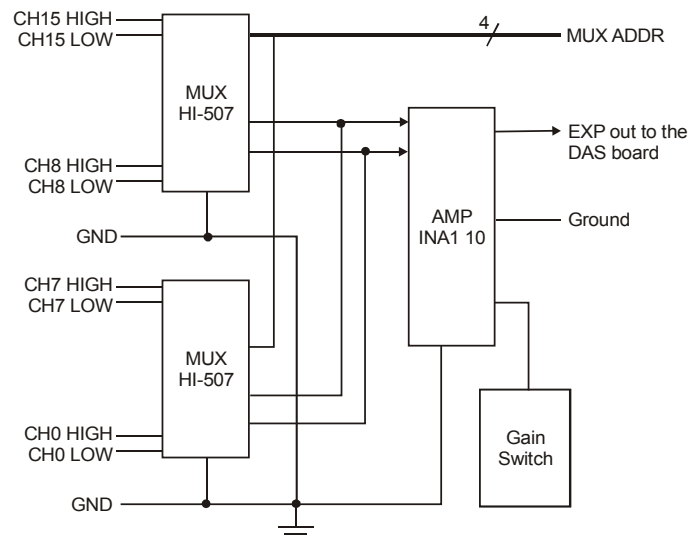


Figure 11. Analog inputs block diagram

Connecting to a signal source

You can connect analog inputs to the CIO-EXP16 in either a floating differential or differential configuration. Before connecting to a signal source, measure the voltage between the signal ground at the signal source and ground at the PC. Do not connect to a signal source if the voltage difference exceeds 10 V, as you will not be able to obtain a reading.

Caution! DO NOT connect to the signal if the voltage exceeds 30 V — voltages over 30 V will damage the board and possibly the computer.

Floating differential input

A floating differential input has two wires from the signal source, and a 100 K ground reference resistor installed at the CIO-EXP16 input. The two signals from the signal source are Signal High (CH#-HI) and Signal Low (CH#-LO). The reference resistor is connected between the CH#-LO and #-G (Signal Ground) pins.

Use a floating differential hookup when the signal source is floating with respect to ground, such as a battery, 4-20 mA transmitter or thermocouple, and the lead lengths are long or subject to electromagnetic interference (EMI) pickup.

A thermocouple is an example of a floating differential signal source. Instead of using an external 100 K resistor, add a solder bridge between the 'G' pads to enable a ground reference. The floating differential input will reject up to 10 V of EMI.

Caution! Use a voltmeter to verify that the signal source is floating, or you may damage the CIO-EXP16 and/or your computer.

Differential input

A differential signal uses three wires from the signal source — Signal High (CH#-HI), Signal Low (CH#-LO) and Signal Ground (#-G).

With a differential configuration, you can connect the CIO-EXP16 to a signal source with a ground that is different from the PC ground, but with less than 10 V difference, and still make a true measurement of the signal between CH# HI and CH# LO. An example of this is a laboratory instrument with its own wall plug, where there are sometimes differences in wall grounds between outlets.

Information on signal connections

For general information about signal connection and configuration, refer to the *Guide to Signal Connections* on our web site at www.mccdaq.com/signals/signals.pdf.

Thermocouples

A thermocouple is made of two dissimilar wires that react electrically when in contact with each other. The reaction produces a voltage which is dependent on the temperature at the point where the two metals touch. There is a reaction at every point where dissimilar metals (the thermocouple wire) touch, including the screw terminal where the thermocouple wire is connected to the CIO-EXP16 board.

To process thermocouple signals, the CIO-EXP16 provides cold junction compensation (CJC), open thermocouple detect (OTD) and stable amplification for accurate temperature measurements.

Figure 12 shows a thermocouple connected to one channel of the CIO-EXP16. The thermocouple has a positive and a negative lead. If you're not sure which is the positive lead and which is the negative lead, make a test hookup and use a match to heat the thermocouple. If the temperature reading goes down, switch the leads.

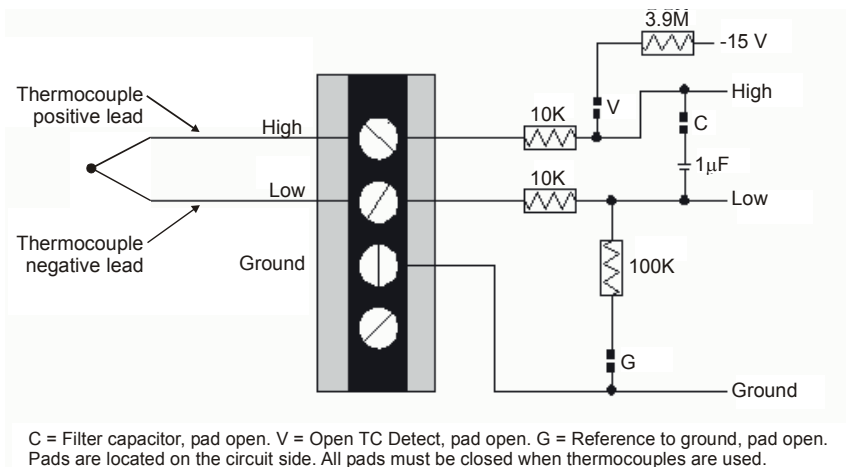


Figure 12. Typical thermocouple connection

Cold junction compensation

The CIO-EXP16 has a semiconductor temperature sensor to measure the temperature of the board around the screw terminals—this is called the *cold junction temperature*. This sensor provides a stable, accurate and linear output which is temperature-dependent. The cold junction temperature is required to accurately calculate the thermocouple temperature. This is known as *cold junction compensation* (CJC). You can map the sensor output to one of the A/D board's analog inputs using the **CJC output to DAS** jumper block.

The CJC reference is required for accurate temperature readings

The CJC temperature reference is universally used by software to compensate for the voltage induced at the cold junction (the area around the screw terminals). If you don't supply a CJC reference your temperature readings may be inaccurate.

Open thermocouple detect

You enable open thermocouple detect (OTD) by closing the channel's associated 'V' pad with a solder bridge. OTD applies a full-scale negative voltage to the high side of the thermocouple signal. If a thermocouple opens, the OTD voltage drives the signal on that channel to negative full-scale.

Design your software program to recognize when a negative full-scale condition exists, since the input is pulled to negative full-scale if the thermocouple wire is broken or disconnected. Most software is set up to alarm for an open thermocouple when a temperature falls to negative full-scale.

The CIO-EXP16 will accurately measure thermocouples when the 'V' pad is open, but without OTD protection enabled.

Low pass filter

A low pass filter is implemented by closing the 'C' pad. When bridged, a 1 μ F capacitor is connected across the signal's high and low inputs, forming a low-pass filter. The bandwidth of this filter is 7 Hz. Signals changing at rates greater than 7 times per second are damped. The low pass filter helps to reject noise picked up along the thermocouple wire. Since temperature measurement is generally a 'low frequency' application, the filter does not affect the temperature measurement.

The CIO-EXP16 will accurately measure thermocouples when the 'C' pad is open, but the measurements may fluctuate due to noise present on the thermocouple wire.

Ground reference

The CIO-EXP16 inputs are fully differential, which help reject noise on thermocouple wires. Close the 'G' pad thermocouples to work properly. The 'G' pad provides a reference from ground to the analog low input via a 100 K resistor. When closed, enough current passes through the resistor to provide a reference to ground. The analog high and low inputs are still able to float within the common mode range.

Input impedance

When you leave the V and G pads open, the input impedance is greater than 100 M ohms. When you short the V and G pads, the input impedance is 100 k ohms.

Amplification and thermocouples

The voltage from a thermocouple is very low and must be amplified to take advantage of the A/D board's full resolution. Use the **GAIN** switch to set the amplification of the CIO-EXP16 board's 16 analog inputs (see Figure 8 on page 16).

The following table lists the theoretical amplifier output voltage at maximum temperature for each gain. In most cases, the range on the A/D board is set to ± 5 V. The maximum voltage for some thermocouple/gain combinations can exceed the maximum A/D input range (typically 5 V), or even the maximum output voltage of the CIO-EXP16 board (± 10 V).

Output voltage vs gain at maximum temperature

Type	Min Temp °C	Max Temp °C	mV at Max	Gain / Output Volts @ Max Temp				
				100	200	300	500	800
J	0	750	42.28	4.2	8.5	12.7	21.1	33.8
K	-200	1250	50.63	5.1	10.1	15.2	25.3	40.5
T	-200	350	17.82	1.8	3.6	5.3	8.9	14.3
E	-200	900	68.78	6.9	13.8	20.6	34.4	55.0
S	0	1450	14.97	1.5	3.0	4.5	7.5	12.0
R	0	1450	16.74	1.7	3.3	5.0	8.4	13.4

The table below lists the maximum readable temperatures for each gain and thermocouple type for an A/D range of $\pm 5V$.

Gain vs maximum readable temperatures

Type	Gain / Max. Readable Temps. with A/D Range = $\pm 5 V$					
	10	100	200	300	500	800
J	MAX	MAX	457°C	307°C	186°C	117°C
K	MAX	1232 °C	602°C	406°C	246°C	152°C
T	MAX	MAX	MAX	330°C	214°C	140°C
E	MAX	661°C	350°C	244°C	152°C	98°C
S	MAX	MAX	MAX	MAX	1035°C	697°C
R	MAX	MAX	MAX	1445°C	961°C	658°C

To read the maximum usable temperature for type K and E thermocouples, set the gain to **X10** or less.

After you change the gain setting, calibrate the CIO-EXP16 using the *InstaCal* utility.

Programming and Developing Applications

After following the installation instructions in Chapter 2, your board should now be installed and ready for use. In general there may be no correspondence among registers for different boards. Software written at the register level for other models will not function correctly with your board.

Programming languages

Measurement Computing's Universal Library provides access to board functions from a variety of Windows programming languages. If you are planning to write programs, or would like to run the example programs for Visual Basic® or any other language, please refer to the *Universal Library User's Guide* (available on our web site at www.mccdaq.com/PDFmanuals/sm-ul-user-guide.pdf).

Packaged applications programs

Many packaged application programs now have drivers for your board. If the package you own does not have drivers for your board, please fax or e-mail the package name and the revision number from the install disks. We will research the package for you and advise how to obtain drivers.

Some application drivers are included with the Universal Library package, but not with the application package. If you have purchased an application package directly from the software vendor, you may need to purchase our Universal Library and drivers. Please contact us by phone, fax or e-mail:

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Specifications

Typical for 25 °C unless otherwise specified.
Specifications in *italic text* are guaranteed by design.

Analog input

Table 1. Analog input specifications

Parameter	Specification
Number of channels	16 differential (1 bank)
Input range	±10 V
Gain	Switch selectable by bank, additive values of X1, X10, X100, X200 and X500
Calibration	Two offset potentiometers per bank (16 channels) and one Cold Junction Compensation adjustment potentiometer per board.
Gain error	Gain = 1 0.002% typical, 0.02% max Gain = 10 0.005% typical, 0.05% max Gain = 100 0.01% typical, 0.1% max Gain = 200 0.02% typical, 0.2% max Gain = 500 0.05% typical, 0.5% max
Non-linearity	Gain = 1 0.0005% typical, 0.005% Gain = 10 0.001% typical, 0.01% max Gain = 100 0.002% typical, 0.01% max Gain = 200 0.003% typical, 0.01% max Gain = 500 0.005% typical, 0.02% max
Temperature coefficient	Gain = 1 ± 20 ppm / °C Gain = 10 ± 20 ppm / °C Gain = 100 ± 40 ppm / °C Gain = 200 ± 60 ppm / °C Gain = 500 ± 100 ppm / °C Offset ± 15 µV / °C
Common mode range	±10 V
CMRR @ 60 Hz	90 dB
Input filter	7 Hz, selectable through solder bridge (C pad)
Open thermocouple detect	-50 mV at positive input when thermocouple is open, selectable through solder bridge (V pad)
Input ground reference	100k ohms to ground, selectable through solder bridge (G pad)
<i>Input leakage current</i>	<i>V and G pads open: 2 nA typical, 6 nA max</i>
<i>Input impedance</i>	▪ <i>V and G pads open: >100 Meg Ohms min</i> ▪ <i>V and G pads shorted 100 k Ohms min</i>
<i>Absolute maximum input voltage</i>	▪ <i>Power on: ±35 V</i> ▪ <i>Power off: ±20 V</i>

Cold junction compensation

Table 2. Cold junction compensation specifications

Parameter	Specification
CJC output voltage	24 mV / °C
CJC zero crossing	0 mV at 0 °C

Analog output

Table 3. Analog output specifications

Parameter	Specification
Number of channels	2 (one from multiplexed inputs, one from CJC circuit)
Output voltage range	± 10 V
Configuration	Single – ended
Current drive	± 5 mA
Output coupling	DC
Output impedance	0.1 Ohms max

Digital input

Table 4. Analog input specifications

Parameter	Specification
Digital input:	74LS14
Configuration	Four bits for selecting multiplexer channel 0 through 15
Number of channels	4 input
Input high	2.0 volts min, 7 volts absolute max
Input low	0.8 volts max, -0.5 volts absolute min

Power consumption

Table 5. Power consumption specifications

Parameter	Specification
+5 V	120 mA typical, 155 mA max

Environmental

Table 6. Environmental specifications

Operating temperature range	0 to 60 °C
Storage temperature range	-40 to 100 °C
Humidity	0 to 90% non-condensing

Main connector and pin out

Table 7. Connector specifications

Connector type	P1 and P2: 37-pin D type connectors
Compatible cables with connector P1	C37FF-x (connecting to additional CIO-EXP16 boards)
Compatible cables with connector P2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ C37FF-x (connecting to a DAS08 board) ▪ C-EXP2DAS16-10 (connecting to a DAS16 board)

Table 8. Connector pin out

Pin	Signal Name	Pin	Signal Name
1	+12V PC Bus	20	-12V PC Bus
2	NC	21	NC
3	NC	22	NC
4	NC	23	NC
5	NC	24	NC
6	NC	25	NC
7	MUX Addr 1	26	NC
8	MUX Addr 2	27	NC
9	MUX Addr 3	28	Power GND
10	MUX Addr 4	29	+5V
11	Output 15	30	Output 7
12	Output 14	31	Output 6
13	Output 13	32	Output 5
14	Output 12	33	Output 4
15	Output 11	34	Output 3
16	Output 10	35	Output 2
17	Output 9	36	Output 1
18	LLGND / Output	37	Output 0
19	NC / LLGND		

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CIO-EXP16

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Emissions: Group 1, Class B

- EN55022 (1987): Radiated and Conducted emissions.

Immunity: EN50082-1

- IEC 801-2 (1987): Electrostatic Discharge immunity, Criteria A.
- IEC 801-3 (1984): Radiated Electromagnetic Field immunity Criteria A.
- IEC 801-4 (1988): Electric Fast Transient Burst immunity Criteria A.

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We hereby declare that the equipment specified conforms to the above Directives and Standards.



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