DT9832 and DT9836
High Performance, Isolated Simultaneous USB Data Acquisition

Overview
The DT9832 and DT9836 are a series of high-speed, high performance USB data acquisition modules that provide simultaneous analog input operation at up to 2.0 MS/s per channel. Each analog input has its own A/D converter to eliminate phase shift between channels and to allow you to correlate measurements at the exact same instant in time. Each USB DAQ module features three quadrature decoders for measuring absolute and relative position and for detecting rotational speed.

Key Features
- 2, 4, 6, or 12 simultaneous, 16-bit A/D channels
- 2 simultaneous, 16-bit deglitched D/A channels (4 available on the DT9836)
- Fast sample rates: up to 2.0 MS/s/channel
- Two 32-bit counter/timers
- Three 32-bit quadrature encoders
- 32 digital I/O lines
- ±500 V galvanic isolation prevents ground loops
- Synchronous subsystem operation: analog input, analog output, digital I/O, counter/timer, and quadrature encoder
- Compatible with LabVIEW and MATLAB
- Includes free QuickDAQ software to get up and running quickly
- OEM board-level only version available

Supported Operating Systems
- Windows® 10/8/7/Vista® 32/64-bit

Synchronous Operation
All functions of the data acquisition modules (A/D, D/A, DIO, counter/timers, and quadrature encoders) can be simultaneously triggered internally or externally. The data can then be streamed synchronously to host memory. This can be done via external trigger or by the internal clock of the module. The synchronous operation allows all I/O data to be processed and correlated for all inputs and outputs. This is very valuable in determining the response across a device-under-test (DUT) to stimuli at the same exact instant.

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Simultaneous, High Accuracy Performance

The High Performance DT9832 and DT9836 Series provides simultaneous analog input operation. Each analog input has its own A/D converter to eliminate phase shift between channels — a problem with multiplexed architectures where all inputs share one A/D converter. As a result, this Series allows you to correlate simultaneous measurements.

Precision Measurements...
True 16-bit A/D at up to 2.0 MS/s throughput per channel for measuring multiple input signals simultaneously

No Limits
Full simultaneous and synchronous operation of all subsystems.

Designed for Low Noise
12-layer PCB provides optimal grounding and shielding to maintain signal integrity

Fully Protected
±500 V galvanic isolation protects your computer and maintains signal integrity

High-Speed USB 2.0
USB 2.0 connector for data transfer at up to 480 Mbps

Simultaneous Analog Inputs
2, 4, 6, or 12 simultaneously sampled analog input channels (depending on model)

Ultra Digital I/O
Full digital I/O flexibility for time stamping, pattern recognition, and synchronizing with external events

Three Quadrature Encoders
For X/Y positioning and rotation (tachos)

External Control
Flexible clocks and triggers

Flexible Power Connections
+5 V connector; a secondary +5 V connector is provided for embedded applications

Full-featured Flexible Counter/Timers
Two 32-bit counter/timers ideal for testing applications.
Selection Criteria: Nyquist and Bandwidth Limits Determine Model Choices

Each model has been designed to accurately measure higher bandwidth signal components. To accurately measure 16-bit accuracy, the front-end input amplifier has a bandwidth of ten times the Nyquist limit. Below are examples of these design characteristics for each board.

### DT9832

- **Nyquist Limit Sample Rate**: 1.25 MS/s
- **3 dB Point**: >6.25 MHz
- **Signal Bandwidth**: 625 kHz

The DT9832 has a sample rate for each channel of 1.25 MS/s. This means that the Nyquist limit allows signal frequencies up to 625 kHz to be adequately measured. The analog input components have a signal bandwidth that is ten times the Nyquist limit or in this case, greater than 6.25 MHz to minimize roll-off and phase errors.

### DT9832A

- **Nyquist Limit Sample Rate**: 2.0 MS/s
- **3 dB Point**: >10.0 MHz
- **Signal Bandwidth**: 1.0 MHz

The DT9832A has a sample rate for each channel of 2.0 MS/s. This means that the Nyquist limit allows signal frequencies up to 1.0 MHz to be adequately measured. The analog input components have a signal bandwidth that is ten times the Nyquist limit or in this case, greater than 10.0 MHz to minimize roll-off and phase errors.

### DT9836

- **Nyquist Limit Sample Rate**: 225 kS/s
- **3 dB Point**: >1.125 MHz
- **Signal Bandwidth**: 112.5 kHz

The DT9836 has a sample rate for each channel of 225 kS/s. This means that the Nyquist limit allows signal frequencies up to 112.5 kHz to be adequately measured. The analog input components have a signal bandwidth that is ten times the Nyquist limit or in this case, greater than 1.125 MHz to minimize roll-off and phase errors.
These graphs show the outstanding quality of the DT9832 Series and DT9836 Series for all error sources with ENOB (Effective Number Of Bits) ratings of 13.6, 13.6, and 14.1 bits respectively and an SFDR (Spurious Free Dynamic Range) of 86 dB to 95 dB.
Closely Matched Analog Inputs

The isolated analog inputs of the DT9832 and DT9836 Series have been designed to match each other with high precision. Each input has its own separate high impedance 16-bit A/D converter. The impedance has been carefully matched for each of the inputs so that one looks exactly like the other. The data acquisition board has 12-layers in its make-up to adequately shield and protect each signal path from the high speed transitions of the digital lines. The slightest mismatch would result in DC and AC errors in measurement when trying to correlate readings at the same instant in time.

High-Speed, High-Resolution Analog Outputs

There are 2 simultaneous 16-bit analog outputs, and an option for 4 outputs, on the DT9836 Series, composed of separate high speed, deglitched, waveform D/A converters. This design allows highly accurate arbitrary waveforms to be generated at throughput speeds of 500 kS/s each. Standard waveforms such as sine, triangle, and square waves are easily produced by loading the output memory and triggering them synchronously or separately. Great care has been used in design to minimize the glitch energy for any major or minor carry. This results in extremely smooth waveforms.

Flexible Output Modes

Using the DT9832 and DT9836 series, you can output a single value from a single analog output channel or multiple values from multiple analog output channels. An output channel list gives you the flexibility of updating only the analog output channels you want or updating the digital output lines with specified analog output channels at the D/A clock rate. You can update analog output channels at up to 500 kS/s.

Both Series feature the following output modes:

- **Continuous output mode** — Choose this mode if you want to accurately control the period between conversions of individual output channels in the output channel list.
- **Waveform mode** — Use this mode if you want to output waveforms repetitively from an output FIFO on the module, minimizing communication overhead with the host computer. If you specify only one channel in the output-channel list, you can load a waveform containing up to 128 kS into the output FIFO. If you specify all the analog output channels and the digital output lines in the output-channel list, you can load a waveform containing up to 24 kS into the output FIFO. Using waveform mode, you can update multiple channels at up to 500 kS/s.

High-Speed Digital I/O Lines

The DT9832 and DT9836 Series modules feature 32 digital I/O lines dedicated as 16 in and 16 out. The first eight digital input lines can also be used for interrupt on change. You can read all the digital input lines simultaneously with the analog input channels at the A/D clock rate. The digital input lines can also be clocked separately as the only channel in the channel-gain list at up to 225 kHz on the DT9836, 1.25 MHz on the DT9832, and 2.0 MHz on the DT9832A.

For digital output operations, you can update all the digital output lines with the analog output channels at the D/A output clock rate.
**Note:** Continuous digital output operations are not supported on modules that do not have analog output channels.

All lines are EMI protected to minimize interference from transient signals.

**Multifunction Counter/Timers**

All DT9832 and DT9836 Series modules feature two 32-bit user counter/timers. If you wish, you can read the value of the counter/timer channels with the analog input channels and digital input lines at the A/D clock rate. The following counter/timer functions are supported: event counting, up/down counting, frequency measurement, edge-to-edge measurement, continuous edge-to-edge measurement, rate generation, one-shot, and repetitive one-shot.

**Quadrature Encoder**

The quadrature encoder module contains three quadrature encoders which allow simultaneous decoding of three quadrature encoded inputs. The quadrature decoders may be used to provide relative or absolute position or, by calculating the difference between samples, the rotational speed. Each quadrature decoder supports A, B, and Index inputs. The index input may be used to zero out the positional count and the A and B input relationships are used to increment or decrement the positional count.

Each encoder features a digital input filter that is programmable from 27 ns to 7 μs for the DT9836 Series and from 20 ns to 5 μs for the DT9832 Series. This unique filtering capability helps remove ringing edges and unwanted noise.

**Flexible Clocks and Triggers**

For maximum flexibility, all DT9832 and DT9836 Series modules provide independent clocks and triggers for the A/D and D/A subsystems. This allows you to trigger and clock the analog output subsystem synchronously with, or independent of, the analog input subsystem. Each subsystem supports an internal clock and external clock input, as well as the following trigger types: software command, analog threshold, and external digital input trigger.

**Power**

The BNC connection box option includes a separate +5 V power supply and power cable for quick setup. OEMs can purchase these options separately as EP361. A secondary power connector is also provided for OEMs to allow custom power wiring.

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**Signal A**

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**Signal B**

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**Index**

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A quadrature decoder takes the output signals (A, B, and Index) for the quadrature encoder as inputs and converts these signals into a numerical value that can be used to determine position, distance, velocity, and other functions.

**±500 V Galvanic Isolation Protects Your Data**

Computers are susceptible to ground-spikes through any external port. These spikes can cause system crashes and may even cause permanent damage to your computer. These modules feature ±500 Volts of galvanic isolation to protect your computer from ground-spikes and to ensure a reliable stream of data.

**EMI and ESD Design Criteria**

The DT9832 and DT9836 Series has been designed to perform with the lowest noise characteristics. Damping resistors in series with every I/O line minimize ringing and EMI and provide current limits that protect against transient signals.

**Flexible Packaging Configurations**

The DT9832 and DT9836 Series modules are available in two packaging configurations: a BNC connection box and an OEM embedded version. The BNC configurations are enclosed in metal boxes with standard BNC and DSUB connectors, 2 BNCs for connecting analog outputs, and 4 BNCs for connecting external clocks and triggers. The BNC configuration ships with a +5 V galvanically isolated power supply and power cable, USB 2.0 cable, and Data Acquisition OMNI CD.

The OEM configuration, ideal for embedding in test systems, provides all the functionality of the DT9832 and DT9836 Series in PC-board form. This configuration ships with a USB 2.0 cable and Data Acquisition OMNI CD.

**Cross-Series Compatibility**

Virtually all Data Translation data acquisition modules are compatible with the DT-Open Layers for .NET Class Library. This means that if your application was developed with one of Data Translation’s software products, you can easily upgrade to a new Data Translation board. Little or no reprogramming is needed.
QuickDAQ

QuickDAQ allows you to acquire and display from all Data Translation USB and Ethernet data acquisition devices that support analog input streaming. Combine QuickDAQ with Data Translation hardware to acquire data, record data to disk, display the results in both a plot and digital display, and read a recorded data file. Be productive right out of the box with this powerful data logging software. Data can be exported to other applications like Microsoft Excel® and The Mathworks MATLAB® for more advanced analysis. Two additional options can be purchased to add FFT analysis capabilities to the base package.

Key Features

- **QuickDAQ Base Package (Free)**
  - Ready-to-measure application software
  - Configure, acquire, log, display, and analyze your data
  - Customize many aspects of the acquisition, display, and recording functions to suit your needs

- **FFT Analysis Option (License Required)**
  - Includes all the features of the QuickDAQ Base Package
  - Perform single-channel FFT operations including:
    - Auto Spectrum
    - Spectrum
    - Power Spectral Density
  - Configure and view dynamic performance statistics
  - Supports Hanning, Hamming, Bartlett, Blackman, Blackman Harris, and Flat Top response windows

- **Advanced FFT Analysis Option (License Required)**
  - Includes all the features of the QuickDAQ Base Package and FFT Analysis Package
  - Perform 2-channel FFT operations including:
    - FRF
    - Cross-Spectrum
    - Cross Power Spectral Density
    - Coherence
    - Coherent Output Power
  - Supports real, imaginary, and Nyquist display functions
  - Additional FFT analysis functions supported: Exponential, Force, Cosiner Taper
  - Save data to .uff file format

Other Software Options

There are many software choices available for application development, from ready-to-measure applications to programming environments.

The following software is available for use with a DT9832 Series or DT9836 Series module and is provided on the Data Acquisition Omni CD:

- **DT9832/DT9836 Device Driver** — The device driver allows you to use a DT9832 Series or DT9836 Series module with any of the supported software packages or utilities.
- **DT9832/DT9836 Calibration Utility** — This utility allows you to calibrate features of a DT9832 Series or DT9836 Series module.
- **Quick DataAcq application** — The Quick DataAcq application provides a quick way to get up and running. Using this application, verify key features of the module, display data on the screen, and save data to disk.
- **DT-Open Layers® for .NET Class Library** — Use this class library if you want to use Visual C#® or Visual Basic® for .NET to develop application software using Visual Studio® 2003-2012; the class library complies with the DT-Open Layers standard.
- **DataAcq SDK** — Use the DataAcq SDK to use Visual Studio 6.0 and Microsoft® C or C++ to develop application software using Windows 10/8/7/Vista/XP 32/64-bit; the DataAcq SDK complies with the DT-Open Layers standard.
- **DAQ Adaptor for MATLAB** — Data Translation’s DAQ Adaptor provides an interface between the MATLAB® Data Acquisition (DAQ) toolbox from The MathWorks™ and Data Translation’s DT-Open Layers architecture.
- **LV-Link** — Data Translation’s LV-Link is a library of VIs that enable LabVIEW™ programmers to access the data acquisition features of DT-Open Layers compliant USB and PCI devices.
## ACCESSORIES
- **BNC DIN Rail Kit** — Kit for mounting USB modules in BNC enclosure to a DIN rail. Includes mounting clips, screws, and instructions. DIN Rail not included.
- **EP355** — Screw terminal panel for attaching analog I/O and digital I/O signals (for OEM configurations only).
- **EP361** — A +5 V power supply (included with BNC configurations).

## FREE SOFTWARE
- **QuickDAQ**
- **DAQ Adaptor for MATLAB** — Access the analysis and visualization tools of MATLAB®.
- **LV-Link** — Access the power of Data Translation boards through LabVIEW™.

## OPTIONAL SOFTWARE
- **QuickDAQ FFT Analysis Option** (License Required)
- **QuickDAQ Advanced FFT Analysis Option** (License Required)

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## Packaging Configurations:
- **OEM** — Board-level embedded version for maximum flexibility. Power supply not included.
- **BNC** — Metal box enclosure with BNCs for analog inputs. If you select a model with analog outputs, BNCs are provided. The BNC box configuration also provides 4 BNCs for connecting external clocks and triggers. Power supply and cable included.