User's Guide

PMD-1024HLS

USB-based Personal Measurement Device™ brand digital I/O module with 24 high-current (15 mA source, 64 mA sink) digital I/O bits

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What you will learn from this user's guide

This user's guide explains how to install, configure, and use the PMD-1024HLS so that you get the most out of its USB digital I/O features.

This user's guide also refers you to related documents available on our web site, and to technical support resources that can also help you get the most out of your PMD-1024HLS.

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Text presented in a box signifies additional information and helpful hints related to the subject matter you are reading.

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- The *Insta*Cal® installation procedure is explained in the *DAQ Software Quick Start*.
- *Never* touch the exposed pins or circuit connections on the board

Where to find more information

The following electronic documents provide information that can help you get the most out of your Personal Measurement Device™ brand PMD-1024HLS.

- MCC's *Specifications: PMD-1024HLS* (the PDF version of Chapter 4 in this guide) is available on our web site at www.mccdaq.com/pdfs/PMD-1024HLS.pdf.
- MCC's *DAQ Software Quick Start* is available on our web site at www.mccdaq.com/PDFmanuals/DAQ-Software-Quick-Start.pdf.
- MCC's *Guide to Signal Connections* is available on our web site at www.mccdaq.com/signals/signals.pdf.
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The *PMD-1024HLS User's Guide* (this document) is available on our web site at www.mccdaq.com/PDFmanuals/PMD-1024HLS.pdf.

Introducing the PMD-1024HLS

This user's guide contains all of the information you need to connect the PMD-1024HLS to your computer and to the signals you want to measure. The PMD-1024HLS is part of the Personal Measurement Device brand of USB-based data acquisition products.

The PMD-1024HLS is a USB 2.0 low-speed module supported under Microsoft® Windows® 98 (2nd edition), Windows ME, Windows 2000, and Window XP. It is designed for USB 1.1 ports, and was tested for full compatibility with both USB 1.1 and USB 2.0 ports.

Refer to the "Be sure you are using the latest system software" note in Chapter 2, "Installing the PMD-1024HLS," to make sure you are using the latest USB drivers.

The PMD-1024HLS is a high drive, 24-line digital I/O module that includes one 32-bit external event counter. The PMD-1024HLS is powered by the +5 volt USB supply from your computer. No external power is required.

An emulation of the 82C55 in mode 0 (only) sets the direction of the 24 digital I/O lines in four ports. Each digital port can be configured for either input or output. The 74FCT244 outputs are high-drive TTL, capable of sourcing 15 mA and sinking 64 mA.

The PMD-1024HLS is shown in Figure 1-1. All I/O connections are made to the screw terminals on each side of the PMD-1024HLS.

Figure 1-1. PMD-1024HLS

PMD-1024HLS block diagram

PMD-1024HLS functions are illustrated in the block diagram shown here.

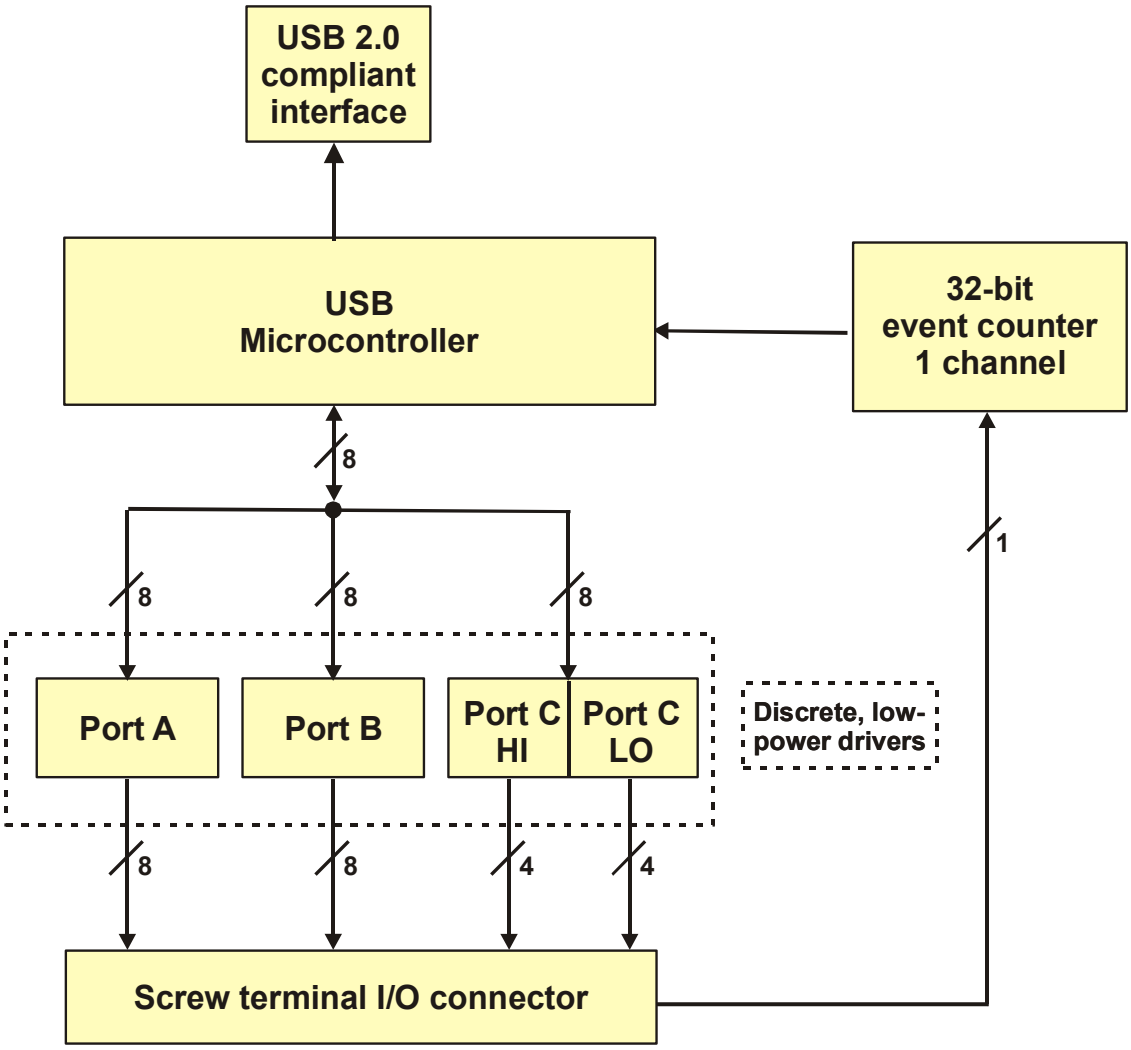


Figure 1-2. PMD-1024HLS functional block diagram

Software features

The following software ships with the PMD-1024HLS free of charge.

- *Insta*Cal installation, calibration, and test utility
- TracerDAQ™ suite of virtual instruments
- SoftWIRE® for Visual Studio® .NET graphical programming
- MCC DAQ Components for VS .NET (installed with SoftWIRE® for VS .NET)

For information on the features of *InstaCal*, TracerDAQ, and SoftWIRE, refer to the *DAQ Software Quick Start* booklet that shipped with the PMD-1024HLS.

Connecting a PMD-1024HLS to your computer is easy

Installing a data acquisition device has never been easier.

- The PMD-1024HLS relies upon the Microsoft Human Interface Device (HID) class drivers. The HID class drivers ship with every copy of Windows that is designed to work with USB ports. We use the Microsoft HID because it is a standard, and its performance delivers full control and maximizes data transfer rates for your PMD-1024HLS. No third-party device driver is required.
- The PMD-1024HLS is plug-and-play. There are no jumpers to position, DIP switches to set, or interrupts to configure.
- You can connect the PMD-1024HLS before or after you install the software, and without powering down your computer first. When you connect an HID to your system, your computer automatically detects it and configures the necessary software. You can connect and power multiple HID peripherals to your system using a USB hub.
- You can connect your system to various devices using a standard four-wire cable. The USB connector replaces the serial and parallel port connectors with one standardized plug and port combination.
- You do not need a separate power supply module. The USB automatically delivers the electrical power required by each peripheral connected to your system.
- Data can flow two ways between a computer and peripheral over USB connections.

Installing the PMD-1024HLS

What comes with your PMD-1024HLS shipment?

As you unpack your PMD-1024HLS, make sure that the following components are included.

Hardware

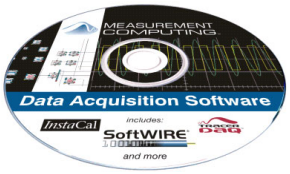
- PMD-1024HLS

- USB cable (2 meter length)

Software

The *Measurement Computing Data Acquisition Software* CD contains the following software:

- *Insta*Cal installation, calibration, and test utility
- TracerDAQ suite of virtual instruments
- SoftWIRE for VS .NET
- SoftWIRE MCC DAQ Components for .NET



Documentation

In addition to this hardware user's guide, you should also receive the *DAQ Software Quick Start* (available in PDF at www.mccdaq.com/PDFmanuals/DAQ-Software-Quick-Start.pdf). Read this booklet completely before installing any software and hardware.

Unpacking the PMD-1024HLS

As with any electronic device, you should take care while handling to avoid damage from static electricity. Before removing the PMD-1024HLS 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. For international customers, contact your local distributor where you purchased the PMD-1024LS.

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

Installing the software

Refer to the *DAQ Software Quick Start* for instructions on installing the software on the *Measurement Computing Data Acquisition Software CD*. This booklet is available in PDF at www.mccdaq.com/PDFmanuals/DAQ-Software-Quick-Start.pdf.

Installing the hardware

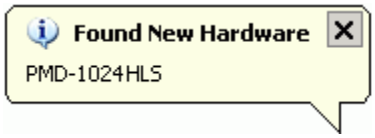
Be sure you are using the latest system software

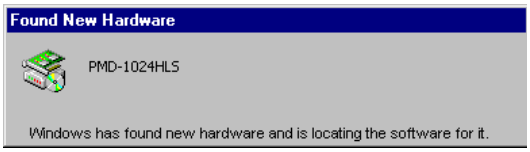
Before you connect the PMD-1024HLS, make sure that you are using the latest versions of the USB drivers.

Before installing the PMD-1024HLS, download and install the latest Microsoft Windows updates. In particular, when using Windows XP, make sure you have XP Hotfix KB822603 installed. This update is intended to address a serious error in Usbport.sys when you operate a USB device. You can run Windows Update or download the update from www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?familyid=733dd867-56a0-4956-b7fe-e85b688b7f86&displaylang=en. For more information, refer to the Microsoft Knowledge Base article "*Availability of the Windows XP SP1 USB 1.1 and 2.0 update.*" This article is available at support.microsoft.com/?kbid=822603.

To connect the PMD-1024HLS to your system, turn your computer on, and connect the USB cable to a USB port on your computer or to an external USB hub that is connected to your computer. The USB cable provides power and communication to the PMD-1024HLS.

When you connect the PMD-1024HLS for the first time, a **Found New Hardware** popup balloon (Windows XP) or dialog (other Windows versions) appear as the PMD-1024HLS is detected.





Another **Found New Hardware** balloon or dialog opens that identifies the PMD-1024HLS as a USB Human Interface Device.

When the balloon or dialog closes, the LED on the PMD-1024HLS should flash and then remain lit. This indicates that communication is established between the PMD-1024HLS and your computer

Caution! Do not disconnect **any** device from the USB bus while the computer is communicating with the PMD-1024HLS, or you may lose data and/or your ability to communicate with the PMD-1024HLS.

If the LED turns off

If the LED is lit but then turns off, the computer has lost communication with the PMD-1024HLS. To restore communication, disconnect the USB cable from the computer, and then reconnect it. This should restore communication, and the LED should turn back *on*.

Functional Details

External components

The PMD-1024HLS has the following external components, as shown in Figure 3-1.

- USB connector
- LED
- Screw terminal banks (2)

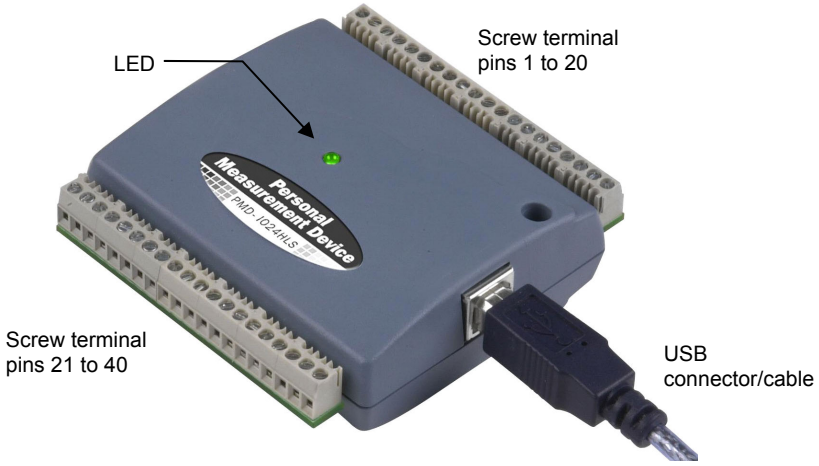


Figure 3-1. PMD-1024HLS external components

USB connector

The USB connector is on the right side of the PMD-1024HLS housing. This connector provides +5 V power and communication. The voltage output is system-dependent, and may be less than +5 V. No external power supply is required.

LED

The LED on the front of the housing indicates the communication status of the PMD-1024HLS. It uses up to 5 mA of current and cannot be disabled. Table 3-1 explains the function of the PMD-1024HLS LED.

Table 3-1 LED illumination

LED Illumination	Indication
Steady green	The PMD-1024HLS is connected to a computer or external USB hub.
Blinks continuously	Data is being transferred.
Blinks three times	Initial communication is established between the PMD-1024HLS and the computer.

Screw terminal wiring

The PMD-1024HLS has two rows of screw terminals—one row on the top edge of the housing, and one row on the bottom edge. Each row has 20 connections. Pin numbers are identified here.

Figure 3-2. PMD-1024HLS screw terminal pin numbers

Screw terminal – pins 1-20

The screw terminals on the top edge of the PMD-1024HLS (pins 1 to 20) provide the following connections:

- Eight digital I/O connections (**Port C0** to **Port C7**)
- One counter connection (**CTR**)
- Two power connections (**USB +5 V**)
- Three pull-up and pull-down connections (**Port A Pull-up/Pull-down**, **Port B Pull-up/Pull-down** and **Port C Pull-up/Pull-down**)
- Six ground connections (**GND**)

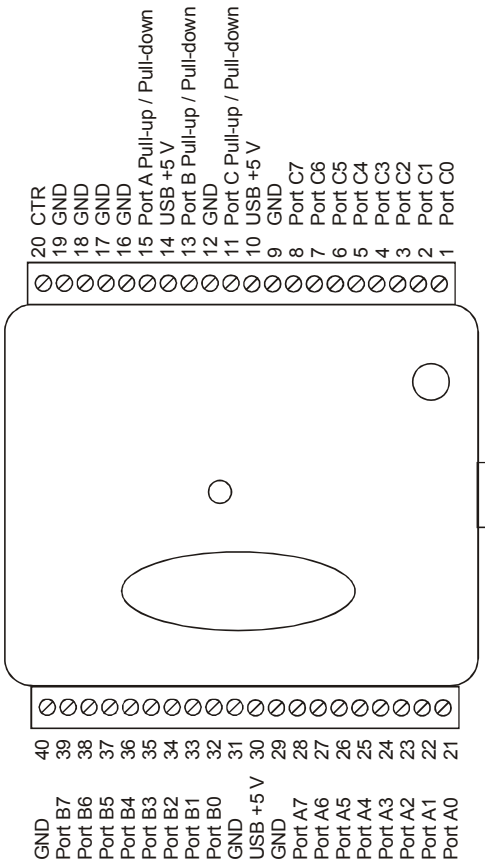
Screw terminal – pins 21-40

The screw terminals on the bottom edge of the PMD-1024HLS (pins 21 to 40) provide the following connections:

- 16 digital I/O connections (**Port A0** to **Port A7**, and **Port B0** to **Port B7**)
- One power connection (**USB +5 V**)
- Three ground connections (**GND**)

Main connector and pin out

Connector type	Screw terminal
Wire gauge range	16 AWG to 30 AWG



Digital I/O terminals (Port A0 to A7, Port B0 to B7, Port C0 to C7)

Connect up to 24 digital I/O lines to the screw terminal containing pins 1 to 8 (**Port C0** to **Port C7**), pins 21 to 28 (**Port A0** to **Port A7**), and pins 32 to 39, (**Port B0** to **Port B7**). Refer to the pinout diagram on page 3-2 for the location of these pins. You can configure each digital port for either input or output.

When configured for input, you can use the PMD-1024HLS digital I/O terminals to detect the state of any TTL level input. Refer to the switch shown in Figure 3-3 and the schematic shown in Figure 3-4. If you set the switch to the +5 V input, Port A0 reads TRUE (1). If you move the switch to GND, Port A0 reads FALSE.

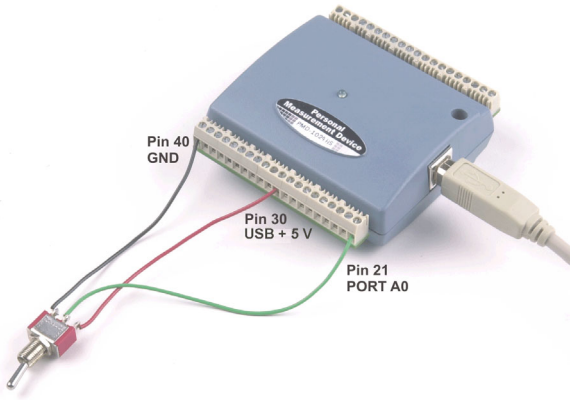


Figure 3-3. Digital connection of Port A0 detecting the state of a switch

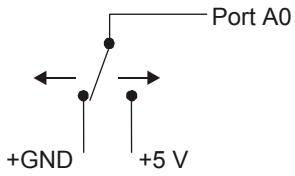


Figure 3-4. Schematic showing switch detection by digital channel Port A0

For more information on digital signal connections

For more information on digital signal connections and digital I/O techniques, refer to the *Guide to Signal Connections* (available on our web site at www.mccdaq.com/signals/signals.pdf).

Power terminals

The USB +5 V connection (pin 30) is on the bottom screw terminal of the PMD-1024HLS. Refer to the pinout diagram on page 3-2 for the location of this terminal. This terminal draws power from the USB connector. The +5 volt screw terminal is a +5 volt output that is supplied by the connected computer.

Caution! The USB +5 V terminal is an output. Do not connect to an external power supply or you may damage the PMD-1024HLS and possibly the computer.

Just connecting the PMD-1024HLS to your computer draws 60 mA of current from the USB +5 V supply. Once you start running applications with the PMD-1024HLS, each DIO bit can draw up to 15 mA. The maximum amount of +5 V current available for external use, over and above that required by the PMD-1024HLS, is the difference between the total current requirement of the PMD-1024HLS (based on the application), and the allowed current draw of the computer platform.

The following power limits depend on whether you are sourcing current out of the PMD-1024HLS, or you are sinking current into the PMD-1024HLS.

Output (source) current limits: desktop computers and self-powered hubs

The maximum allowed current draw for a typical desktop computer and self-powered hub is 500 mA. For an application running on a PC or self-powered hub, this value yields a maximum user current of 500 mA − 60 mA = 440 mA. Since each DIO line can output 15 mA maximum, 24 DIO × 15 mA = 360 mA (maximum rating for the chips).

Output (source) current limits: notebook computers and bus-powered hubs

The maximum allowed current draw for a typical notebook computer and bus-powered hub is 100 mA.

Because the PMD-1024HLS needs 60 mA from the USB +5 V supply, this leaves you with only 40 mA. If you want to use 15 mA per DIO line, you can only do so with two DIO lines. To overcome this limitation, an external self-powered hub can be used to supply the proper current level required for full output capability as noted above.

Output (sink) current limits

Each PMD-1024HLS DIO output can sink up to 64 mA. For an individual line, this is not a problem. But if you were to apply this maximum load to all 24 DIO lines, you would damage the PMD-1024HLS because the total amount of current is well over the 440 mA maximum (24 DIO × 64 mA = 1536 mA ≈ 1.54 A).

If you want to sink the maximum of 64 mA per DIO line, you can only do so with up to six lines (440 mA ÷ 64 mA/line = 6.8 ≈ 6 lines). To sink current with all 24 DIO outputs at any one time, you can sink a maximum of 18 mA per line.

Ground terminals

The nine ground (**GND**) connections are identical, and provide a common ground for all PMD-1024HLS functions. Refer to the pinout diagram on page 3-2 for the location of the **GND** terminal.

Counter terminal

Pin 20 (**CTR**) is the input to the 32-bit external event counter. Refer to the pinout diagram on page 3-2 for the location of this terminal. The internal counter increments when the TTL levels transition from low to high. The counter can count frequencies of up to 1 MHz.

Pull-up/pull-down terminals

You can wire pin 11 (**Port C Pull-up/Pull-down**), pin 13 (**Port B Pull-up/Pull-down**), and pin 15 (**Port A Pull-up/Pull-down**) to support a pull-up or pull-down connection. These terminals configure the internal 47K resistors on the PMD-1024HLS.

Refer to the pinout diagram on page 3-2 for the location of these terminals. These terminals are configured as open by default.

- To configure a pull-up connection for a specific port, wire the pull-up/pull-down terminal to a **USB +5 V** terminal.

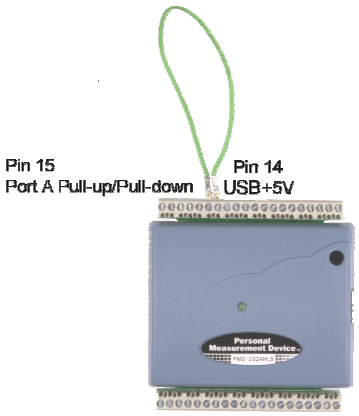


Figure 3-5. Pull-up connection for Port A

- To configure a pull-down connection for a specific port, wire the pull-up/pull-down terminal to a **GND** terminal.

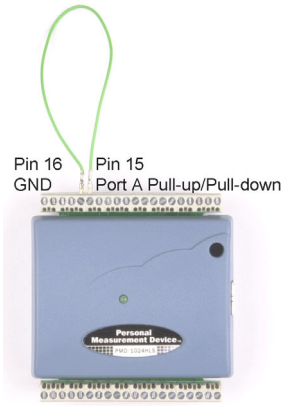


Figure 3-6. Pull-down connection for Port A

Wiring schematics are shown here for each pull-up/pull-down terminal. Dotted lines represent a pull-up or pull-down connection.

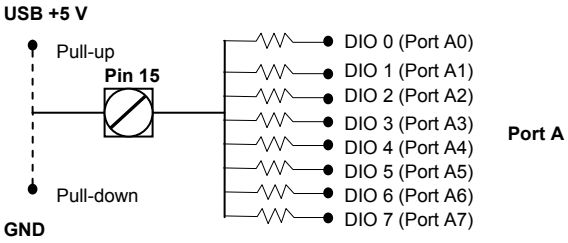


Figure 3-7. Schematic showing Port A pull-up/pull-down wiring options

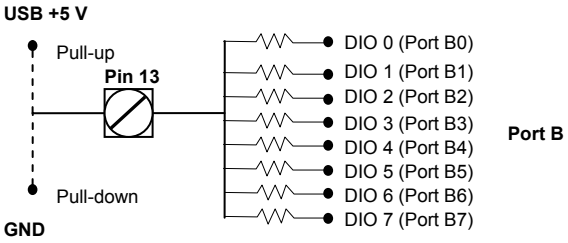


Figure 3-8. Schematic showing Port B pull-up/pull-down wiring options

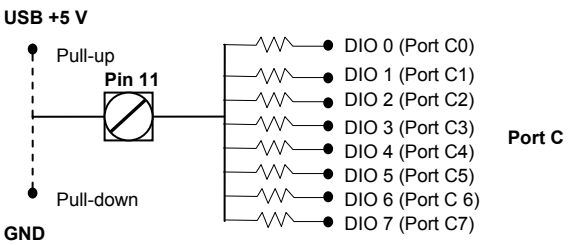


Figure 3-9. Schematic showing Port C pull-up/pull-down wiring options

Specifications

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

Digital input/output

Table 4-1. Digital I/O specifications

Digital input type	74ACT373
Digital output type	74FCT244
Number of I/O	24 (port A0 through port C7)
Configuration	2 banks of 8 and 2 banks of 4 or 3 banks of 8
Pull up/pull-down configuration	Internal 47K resistors may be user configured for pull-up or pull-down via external connection of "Port x Pull-up / Pull-down" to "USB +5 V" or "GND". Ports A, B, and C are independently configurable.
Input high voltage	2.0 V min, 5.5 V absolute max
Input low voltage	0.8 V max, –0.5 V absolute min
Output high voltage (IOH = -15 mA)	2.4 V min
Output low voltage (IOL=64 mA)	0.55 V max
Source current – (Note 1) ▪ Self -powered hub ▪ Externally-powered root port hub	Maximum = 15 mA per output
Source current – (Note 2) ▪ Bus-powered hub ▪ Battery-powered root port hub.	Per pin maximum = 40 mA/ [number of active outputs]. 15 mA max source current for any single output
Sink current - (Note 3)	Current sink max: 440 mA/ [number of outputs]. 64 mA max sink current for any single output.
Power up/reset state	Input mode (high impedance)

Note 1: "Self-powered hub" refers to a USB hub with an external power supply. Self-powered hubs allow a connected USB device to draw up to 500 mA. "Root port hubs" reside in the PC's USB Host Controller. The USB port(s) on your PC are root port hubs. All externally powered root port hubs (i.e. desktop PC's) provide up to 500 mA of current for a USB device. In this configuration, all 24 digital outputs of the PMD-1024HLS can source their per-pin maximum of 15 mA. This provides a total requirement of 15 mA*24 = 360 mA. Combining this with the PMD-1024HLS operating current of 60 mA a fully-loaded current draw of 420 mA is realized.

Note 2: "Bus-powered hub" refers to a USB hub that derives power directly from the USB +5 V and does not have its own power supply. These hubs allow a connected USB device to draw up to 100 mA. Battery-powered root port hubs provide 100 mA or 500 mA, depending upon the manufacturer. A laptop PC that is not connected to an external power adapter is an example of a battery-powered root port hub. If your laptop is constrained to the 100 mA maximum you have two options when using a PMD-1024HLS. In order to take advantage of the full drive capability of 15 mA per pin you will need to purchase a self-powered hub. Otherwise the total output drive must be de-rated. When de-rated, the total available source current for the digital outputs is the difference between the unloaded operating current of the PMD-1024HLS (60 mA) and the 100 mA overall maximum.

Note 3: A low-side resettable fuse protects the PMD-1024HLS. This is designed to protect the host PC or hub from an over current condition. Assuming all return currents in sinking applications return via the USB cable ground signal, the maximum allowable return current is 500 mA. Please include the PMD-1024HLS unloaded operating current (60 mA) in your power budget.

Counter section

Table 4-2. Counter specifications

Pin name (Note 4)	CTR
Counter type	Event counter
Number of channels	1
Input source	*CTR screw terminal*
Resolution	32 bits
Schmidt trigger hysteresis	*20 mV to 100 mV*
Input leakage current	*±1 µA*
Maximum input frequency	1 MHz
High pulse width	*500 ns min*
Low pulse width	*500 ns min*
Input low voltage	0 V min, 1.0 V max
Input high voltage	4.0 V min, 15.0 V max

Note 4: CTR is a Schmitt trigger input

Power

Table 4-3. Power specifications

Parameter	Conditions	Specification
Supply current (Note 5)	No Load	60 mA
Input power requirements (Note 6)		4.75 V min, 5.25 V max
USB +5 V power available	Measured at "USB +5 V" screw terminals (pins 10,14 and 30)	4.4 V min, 5.25 V max
USB +5 V power output current (Note 7)	Connected to: ▪ Self-powered hub ▪ Externally-powered root port hub	[350 mA] – [total output source current]
	Connected to ▪ Bus-powered hub ▪ Battery-powered root port hub.	[60 mA] – [total output source current]
USB +5 V overcurrent protection	Resettable fuse	Hold current: 350 mA, typical
		Trip current: 700 mA typical
		Trip/recovery time: 100 mS, max
		On resistance: 1.3 Ohms max

Note 5: This is the total (no load) current requirement for the PMD-1024HLS.

Note 6: Bus-powered hubs are allowed to provide downstream USB power as low as 4.4 V. Although your PMD-1024HLS will typically function at this 4.4 V minimum, guaranteed performance requires a minimum power supply voltage of 4.75 V. All self-powered and root port hubs will meet this 4.75 V minimum.

Note 7: See available source/sink current level in the "Digital input/output" section.

General

Table 4-4. General specifications

Parameter	Conditions	Specification
USB controller clock error	*25 °C*	*±30 ppm max*
	0 to 70 °C	*±50 ppm max*
Device type		USB 1.1 low-speed
Device compatibility		USB 1.1, USB 2.0

Environmental

Table 4-5. Environmental specifications

Operating temperature range	0 to 70 °C
Storage temperature range	-40 to 85 °C
Humidity	0 to 90% non-condensing

Mechanical

Table 4-6. Mechanical specifications

Dimensions	79 mm (L) x 82 mm (W) x 25 mm (H)
USB cable Length	*2 meters max*
USB cable type	*A-B cable, UL type AWM 2527 or equivalent. (min 24 AWG VBUS/GND, min 28 AWG D+/D-)*
User connection length	3 meters max

Main connector and pin out

Table 4-7. Connector specifications

Connector type	Screw terminal
Wire gauge range	30-16 AWG

Table 4-8. Connector pin out

Pin	Signal Name	Pin	Signal Name
1	Port C0	21	Port A0
2	Port C1	22	Port A1
3	Port C2	23	Port A2
4	Port C3	24	Port A3
5	Port C4	25	Port A4
6	Port C5	26	Port A5
7	Port C6	27	Port A6
8	Port C7	28	Port A7
9	GND	29	GND
10	USB +5 V	30	USB +5 V
11	Port C Pull-up / Pull-down	31	GND
12	GND	32	Port B0
13	Port B Pull-up / Pull-down	33	Port B1
14	USB +5 V	34	Port B2
15	Port A Pull-up / Pull-down	35	Port B3
16	GND	36	Port B4
17	GND	37	Port B5
18	GND	38	Port B6
19	GND	39	Port B7
20	CTR	40	GND

CE Declaration of Conformity

Manufacturer: Measurement Computing Corporation
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Category: Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use.

Measurement Computing Corporation declares under sole responsibility that the product

PMD-1024HLS

to which this declaration relates is in conformity with the relevant provisions of the following standards or other documents:

EU EMC Directive 89/336/EEC: Electromagnetic Compatibility, EN 61326 (1997) Amendment 1 (1998)

Emissions: Group 1, Class A

- EN 55011 (1998)/CISPR 11: Radiated and Conducted emissions.

Immunity: EN61326, Annex A

- EN 61000-4-2 (1995): Electrostatic Discharge immunity, Criteria C.
- EN 61000-4-3 (1997): Radiated Electromagnetic Field immunity Criteria A.
- EN 61000-4-8 (1995): Power Frequency Magnetic Field immunity Criteria A.

Power line and I/O tests to EN61000-4-4, EN61000-4-5, EN61000-4-6, and EN61000-4-11 were not required. The device is DC powered from an I/O cable which is less than three meters long.

Declaration of Conformity based on tests conducted by Chomerics Test Services, Woburn, MA 01801, USA in June, 2004. Test records are outlined in Chomerics Test Report #EMI3902.04.

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

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