Personal Daq USB Data Acquisition Modules

OMB-DAQ Series

- Multi-function Data Acquisition Module Attaches to PC’s via Universal Serial Bus (USB)
- Ultra Low-Power Design Requires No External Power or Batteries
- Can Be Located Up to 5 m (16.4’) from the PC
- High-Resolution, 22-Bit A/D Converter

- Built-In Cold Junction Compensation for Direct Thermocouple Measurements
- Frequency/Pulse/Duty-Cycle Measurements Up to 1 MHz*
- Convenient Removable Screw-Terminal Signal Connections
- 500V Optical Isolation from PC for Safe and Noise-Free Measurements
- Programmable Inputs from ±31 mV to ±20V Full Scale
- Digital I/O Lines with Open Collector Output for Direct Drive Applications*
- Expandable Up to 80 Channels of Analog and Digital I/O*
- Up to 100 Modules Can Be Attached to One PC Using USB Hubs, for a Total Capacity of 8000 Channels
- Digital Calibration—No Potentiometers or Adjustments Required

* The OMB-DAQ-54 does not have frequency, digital I/O or expansion capability.

The compact OMB-DAQ-54/55/56 is ideal for portable data acquisition applications (laptop not included).

The OMB-DAQ-54/55/56 modules are low-cost, USB-based products from OMEGA. Because of the strict power limitations of the USB, the modules incorporate special power-management circuitry to ensure adherence to USB specifications.

The OMB-DAQ-54/55/56 modules avoid many of the limitations of PC-card (PCMCIA) data acquisition devices and offer advantages over many PC plug-in data acquisition boards as well. The OMB-DAQ-54 data acquisition system offers 10 single-ended or 5 differential analog (up to ±20V full scale) or thermocouple input channels. The OMB-DAQ-55 offers 10 single-ended or 5 differential analog (up to ±20V full scale) or thermocouple input channels, 16 programmable ranges, 500V optical isolation, 8 digital I/O lines, and 2 frequency/pulse/duty-cycle channels.

Spreadsheet-Style Software for Setup, Acquisition, and Real-Time Display; PostView for Post-Acquisition Viewing

Drivers for Visual Basic, Delphi, and C++ for Windows®, XP SP2 and SP3/Vista/7 DASYLab®, and LabVIEW®

The OMB-DAQ-54, OMB-DAQ-55, and OMB-DAQ-56 Personal Daqs are full-featured data acquisition products that use the Universal Serial Bus (USB) built into almost every new PC. Designed for high accuracy and resolution, the 22-bit OMB-DAQ-54/55/56 data acquisition systems directly measure multiple channels of voltage, thermocouple, pulse, frequency, and digital I/O. A single cable to the PC provides high-speed operation and power to the OMB-DAQ-54/55/56. No additional batteries or power supplies are required, except when using bus-powered hubs.

Thermocouple probes sold separately.
The OMB-DAQ-56 offers twice the I/O capacity of the OMB-DAQ-55 in the same size package.

To simplify attachment of signals and transducers, the OMB-DAQ-54/55/56 modules feature convenient, removable screw-terminal input connections.

SOFTWARE
The OMB-DAQ-54/55/56 modules are supplied with Personal DaqView, a Windows XP SP2 and SP3/Vista/7 based data logging application that lets the user set up acquisition applications and save acquired data directly to disk. Personal DaqView supports the use of more than one OMB-DAQ-54/55/56 module and also includes enhanced features such as overlapping charts and multiple display groups. The OMB-DAQ-54/55/56 modules are also shipped with PostView, a post-acquisition application that lets the user display acquired data previously saved to a file. Drivers for Visual Basic, Delphi, and C++ for Windows XP SP2 and SP3/Vista/7 are included. In addition, drivers are available for icon-based software packages, such as DASYLab and LabVIEW.

ABOUT USB — THE NEW PC CONNECTION
The Universal Serial Bus (USB) is a new standard for connecting PCs to peripheral devices such as printers, monitors, and modems. USB offers several advantages over conventional serial and parallel connections, including higher bandwidth (up to 12 Mbits/s) and the ability to provide power to the peripheral device.

USB is ideal for data acquisition applications. Since USB connections supply power, only one cable is required to link the data acquisition device to the PC, which most likely has at least one USB port. In addition, the USB’s high-speed data transfer (from the data acquisition device to the PC) allows for a real-time display of acquired data, eliminating the need for expensive memory in the acquisition device.

With the backing of Intel, Microsoft, and hundreds of other computer-related companies, USB is quickly becoming a universal standard.

PERSONAL DAQ EXPANSION
The OMB-DAQ-55 and OMB-DAQ-56 can be easily expanded with one of two available snap-on expansion modules, bringing the total capacity to 60 analog or thermocouple channels, 32 digital I/O lines, and 4 frequency input channels. Furthermore, USB hubs can be used to create multi-unit systems containing up to 100 OMB-DAQ-55/56 modules attached to a single PC. Using this strategy, a multi-unit OMB-DAQ-55/56 system can provide up to 8000 analog and digital I/O lines. See the chart on the next page for available channel capacity. The OMB-DAQ-54 does not have expansion capability. The enhanced Personal DaqView software is required when using more than one OMB-DAQ-55/56 module.
**USB Data Acquisition**

**OMB-DAQ and Expansion System Channel Capacities**

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<tr>
<th>Product or System</th>
<th>Volts/TC Inputs*</th>
<th>Digital I/O</th>
<th>Freq/Pulse Inputs</th>
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<td>5 DE, 10 SE</td>
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<td>5 DE, 10 SE</td>
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<td>10 DE, 20 SE</td>
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<td>20 DE, 40 SE</td>
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**EXAMPLE SYSTEMS**

As a USB product, an OMB-DAQ-54/55/56 data acquisition system can be located up to 5 m (16.4') from the PC, residing close to the point of measurement for improved accuracy and reduced noise. If USB hubs are used as repeaters between USB cable segments, the OMB-DAQ-54/55/56 can be located up to 30 m (98.4') from the PC.

**Connection to USB-Powered Hub**

Four OMB-DAQS (with optional OMB-PDQ modules) are connected to ports of a USB-powered hub, requiring an external power source.

**Direct Connection to Computer USB Port(s)**

Two OMB-DAQS (with optional OMB-PDQ modules) are connected by cable to each of the computer's USB ports, requiring no external power source.

**Speed vs. Resolution**

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<th>Measurement Duration</th>
<th>Max Sample Rate (Continuous Calibration Disabled)</th>
<th>Resolution (Bits RMS) (±4V)</th>
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<td>Voltage</td>
<td>Thermocouple</td>
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<td>1 Channel/Scan 10 Channels/Scan</td>
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<td>610 ms (50/60 Hz Rejection)</td>
<td>1.6 Hz (625 ms)</td>
<td>0.16 Hz (6.25 secs)</td>
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<td>12.5 ms (15 ms)</td>
<td>66 Hz (128 ms)</td>
<td>7.8 Hz (40 ms)</td>
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**Specifications**

**GENERAL**

Isolation: 500V from PC

Power Requirements:

Powered from USB, or from external 6 to 16 Vdc when used with a bus-powered hub

Environmental:

0 to 50°C (0 to 122°F)

95% RH (non-condensing)

Dimensions:

92 W x 182 L x 45 mm H (3.6 x 7.1 x 1.6”)

**ANALOG SPECIFICATIONS**

Each channel is configurable for single-ended or differential, volts, or thermocouple inputs

OMB-DAQ-54 and OMB-DAQ-55:

10 single-ended, 5 differential; volts or TC channels

OMB-DAQ-56:

20 single-ended, 10 differential; volts or TC channels
**Input Voltage Range:**
Software-programmable on a per-channel basis

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**Thermocouple Type and Temperature Ranges:**
- **J:** -100 to 700°C
- **K:** -200 to 1200°C
- **T:** -100 to 400°C
- **E:** -100 to 500°C
- **R:** -400 to 1400°C
- **S:** 400 to 1400°C
- **B:** 700 to 1400°C
- **N:** -100 to 700°C

**Thermocouple Accuracy:**
In very slow mode, 22 bit resolution, includes cold junction compensation error
- **J:** ±1.1°C
- **K:** ±1.2°C
- **T:** ±1.1°C
- **E:** ±1.0°C
- **R:** ±2.5°C
- **S:** ±2.6°C
- **B:** ±3.3°C
- **N:** ±1.5°C

**Cold Junction Compensation Accuracy:** ±0.5°C

**Over-Voltage Protection:** ±45V relative to analog Lo

**AC Common Mode Rejection:** >120 dB @ 60 Hz (OMB-DAQ-55/56)

**Channel-to-Channel Crosstalk:** <-120 dB (DC to 100 Hz)

**Accuracy:**
OMB-DAQ-55/56: 0.015% of reading +0.002% of range (exclusive of noise)
OMB-DAQ-54: 0.015% of reading +0.004% of range (exclusive of noise)

**Input Resistance:** >10 MΩ (SE), >20 MΩ (DE)

**Bias Current:** <1 nA (0 to 35°C)

**Frequency Measurements (OMB-DAQ55/56 Only):**
OMB-DAQ-55: 2 frequency/pulse input channels
OMB-DAQ-56: 4 frequency/pulse input channels

**Operating Modes:** Pulse count (totalize), duty-cycle and frequency

**Frequency Response:** DC to 1 MHz

**Input Range:** ±15V absolute minimum, <1.3V (low), >3.8V (high)

**Pull-Up Resistor:** 27 KΩ to 5V for switch or relay sensing

**Debouncing:** None, 0.8, 3.2 or 13 ms (software selectable)

**Totalize:** Up to 2^32 counts/scan

**Frequency and Duty-Cycle Resolution:** 7 digits; actual resolution depends on scan rate. At 10 scans/s, resolution is 5 digits (10 ppm); at 1 scan/s, 6 digits (1 ppm).

**Digital I/O (OMB-DAQ55/56 Only):**
Each I/O line is individually programmable as input or output and includes an open-collector driver with a 27 KΩ pull-up resistor to 5V for output, with a Schmitt-trigger input buffer
- **OMB-DAQ-55:** 8 digital I/O lines
- **OMB-DAQ-56:** 16 digital I/O lines

**Input Voltage Range:** ±15V thresholds: <1.3V (low), >3.8V (high)

**Output Maximum Switch Voltage:**
0 to 15 Vdc (20V for <1 minute)

**Maximum Switch Current:**
150 mA/output continuous, 500 mA/output peak (<100 µs), 150 mA total continuous (per bank of 8 outputs)

**Output Resistance:** 10 Ω max

**OMEGACARESM extended warranty program is available for models shown on this page. Ask your sales representative for full details when placing an order. OMEGACARESM covers parts, labor and equivalent loaners.**

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<td>Terminal block (spare)</td>
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Each unit is supplied with Personal DaqVIEW software; drivers for Visual Basic, C++, and Delphi for Windows, terminal block and a complete operator’s manual on CD.

Ordering Example: OMB-DAQ-55 data acquisition system and OCW-1 OMEGACARESM 1-year extended warranty adds 1 year to standard 1-year warranty for OMB-DAQ-55 with OMB-PDQ1 expansion module and OCW-1 OMEGACARESM 1 year extended warranty adds 1 year to standard 1-year warranty and OMB-CA-179-1 USB cable.