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# DEWE-1203-DSA

*Technical reference manual*



ISO9001

Re-inventing Data Acquisition



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## **Thank you!**

Thank you very much for your investment in DEWETRON's unique data acquisition systems. These are top-quality instruments which are designed to provide you years of reliable service. This guide has been prepared to help you get the most from your investment, starting from the day you take it out of the box, and extending for years into the future.

This guide includes important startup notes, as well as safety notes and information about keeping your DEWETRON system in good working condition over time.

We strongly suggest that you read this entire manual, especially the safety and care sections, as well as to avoid damaging your DEWETRON system.

## **What is the DEWE-1203-DSA?**

This product is used for measuring of different physical and/or electrical sizes (depending on model or configuration). The connection is depending on model or configuration and takes place via safety banana plugs, BNC connectors ( $\pm 50V$  max.), D-SUB connectors ( $\pm 50V$  max.), thermocouple connectors ( $\pm 50V$  max.), BINDER® connectors ( $\pm 50V$  max.) or LEMO® connectors.

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## Training

DEWETRON offers training at various offices around the world several times each year. DEWETRON headquarters in Austria have a very large and professional conference and seminar center, where training classes are conducted on a regular basis starting with sensors and signal conditioning, A/D technology and software operation. For more information about training services, please visit:  
<http://www.dewetron.com/support/training>

Dewetron Inc. in the USA also has a dedicated training facility connected to its headquarters, located in Rhode Island. For more information about training services in the US, please visit:  
<http://www.dewamerica.com/support/training>

## Calibration

Every instrument needs to be calibrated at regular intervals. The standard norm across nearly every industry is annual calibration. Before your DEWETRON data acquisition system is delivered, it is calibrated at our DEWETRON headquarter. Each of this system is delivered with a certificate of compliance with our published specifications. Detailed calibration reports from our calibration system are available for purchase with each order. We retain them for at least one year, so calibration reports can be purchased for up to one year after your system was delivered.

## Support

DEWETRON has a team of people ready to assist you if you have any questions or any technical difficulties regarding the system. For any support please contact your local distributor first or DEWETRON directly.

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Web: <http://www.dewetron.com>

The telephone hotline is available  
Monday to Friday between  
08:00 and 17:00 CET (GMT +1:00)

## Service/repairs

The Team of DEWETRON also performs any kinds of repairs to your system to assure a safe and proper operation in future. For information regarding service and repairs please contact your local distributor first or DEWETRON directly.

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# Safety instructions

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## Safety symbols in the manual

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*Indicates hazardous voltages.*

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**WARNING** *Calls attention to a procedure, practice, or condition that could cause bodily injury or death.*

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**CAUTION** *Calls attention to a procedure, practice, or condition that could possibly cause damage to equipment or permanent loss of data.*

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### **WARNINGS**

*The following general safety precautions must be observed during all phases of operation, service, and repair of this product. Failure to comply with these precautions or with specific warnings elsewhere in this manual violates safety standards of design, manufacture, and intended use of the product. DEWETRON Elektronische Messgeraete Ges.m.b.H. assumes no liability for the customer's failure to comply with these requirements.*

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**All accessories shown in this document are available as option and will not be shipped as standard parts.**



*For safety reasons max. 50 V may be applied to the BNC input-connectors!  
Refer to the regulation of maximum allowable touch potential.*

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# Safety instructions

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**Your safety is our primary concern! Please be safe!**

## **General safety and hazard warnings for all DEWETRON systems**

- Use this system under the terms of the specifications only to avoid any possible danger.
- Maintenance will be executed by qualified staff only.
- During the use of the system, it might be possible to access another parts of a more comprehensive system. Please read and follow the safety instructions provided in the manuals of all other components regarding warning and security advices for using the system.
- With this product, only use the power cable delivered or defined for the host country.
- DO NOT connect or disconnect sensors, probes or test leads, as these parts are connected to a voltage supply unit.
- The system is grounded via a protective conductor in the power supply cord. To avoid electric shocks, the protective conductor has to be connected with the ground of the power network. Before connecting the input or output connectors of the system, make sure that there is a proper grounding to guarantee potential free usage. For countries, in which there is no proper grounding, please refer to your local legally safety regulations for safety use.

DC systems: Every DC system has a grounding connected to the chassis (yellow/green safety banana plug).

- Please note the characteristics and indicators on the system to avoid fire or electric shocks. Before connecting the system, please carefully read the corresponding specifications in the product manual.
- The inputs are not, unless otherwise noted (CATx identification), for connecting to the main circuit of category II, III and IV.
- The power cord separates the system from the power supply. Do not block the power cord, since it has to be accessible for the users.
- DO NOT use the system if equipment covers or shields are removed.
- If you assume the system is damaged, get it examined by authorised personnel only.
- Any use in wet rooms, outdoors or in adverse environmental condition is not allowed!  
Adverse environmental conditions are:
  - Moisture or high humidity
  - Dust, flammable gases, fumes or dissolver
  - Thunderstorm or thunderstorm conditions (except assembly PNA)
  - Electrostatic fields, et cetera.
- The measurement category can be adjusted depending on module configuration.
- Any direct voltage output is protected with a fuse against short cut and reverse-polarity, but is NOT galvanically isolated (except it is explicit marked on the system).
- The system must be connected and operated to an earthed wall socket at the AC mains power supply only (except for DC systems).
- Any other use than described above may damage your system and is attended with dangers like shortcut, fire or electric shocks.
- The whole system must not be changed, rebuilt or opened (except for changing DAQ, DAQP, PAD modules).

# Safety instructions

- If you assume a more riskless use is not provided anymore, the system has to be rendered inoperative and should be protected against inadvertent operation. It is assumed that a more riskless operation is not possible anymore, if
    - the system is damaged obviously or causes strange noises.
    - the system does not work anymore.
    - the system has been exposed to long storage in adverse environmental.
    - the system has been exposed to heavy shipment strain.
  - DO NOT touch any exposed connectors or components if they are live wired. The use of metal bare wires is not allowed. There is a risk of short cut and fire hazard!
  - Warranty void if damages caused by disregarding this manual. For consequential damages NO liability will be assumed!
  - Warranty void if damages to property or persons caused by improper use or disregarding the safety instructions.
  - Unauthorized changing or rebuilding the system is prohibited due to safety and permission reasons (CE). Exception: changing modules like DAQ, DAQP or PAD.
  - The assembly of the system is equivalent to protection class I. For power supply, only the correct power socket of the public power supply must be used, except the system is DC powered.
  - Be careful with voltages >25 VAC or >35 VDC! These voltages are already high enough in order to get a perilous electric shock by touching the wiring.
  - The product heats during operation. Make sure there is adequate ventilation. Ventilation slots must not covered!
  - Only fuses of the specified type and nominal current may be used. The use of patched fuses is prohibited.
  - Prevent using metal bare wires! Risk of short cut and fire hazard!
  - DO NOT use the system before, during or shortly after a thunderstorm (risk of lightning and high energy overvoltage). An advanced range of application under certain conditions is allowed with therefore designed products only. For details please refer to the specifications.
  - Make sure that your hands, shoes, clothes, the floor, the system or measuring leads, integrated circuits and so on, are dry.
  - DO NOT use the system in rooms with flammable gases, fumes or dust or in adverse environmental conditions.
  - Avoid operation in the immediate vicinity of:
    - high magnetic or electromagnetic fields
    - transmitting antennas or high-frequency generators
- For exact values please refer to enclosed specifications.
- Use measurement leads or measurement accessories aligned to the specification of the system only. Fire hazard in case of overload!
  - Do not switch on the system after transporting it from a cold into a warm room and vice versa. The thereby created condensation may damage your system. Acclimatise the system unpowered to room temperature.
  - Do not disassemble the system! There is a high risk of getting a perilous electric shock. Capacitors still might be charged, even the system has been removed from the power supply.
  - The electrical installations and equipments in industrial facilities must be observed by the security regulations and insurance institutions.

# Safety instructions

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- The use of the measuring system in schools and other training facilities must be observed by skilled personnel.
- The measuring systems are not designed for use at humans and animals.
- Please contact a professional if you have doubts about the method of operation, safety or the connection of the system.
- Please be careful with the product. Shocks, hits and dropping it from already lower level may damage your system. For exact values please refer to enclosed specifications.
- Please also consider the detailed technical reference manual as well as the security advices of the connected systems.

This product has left the factory in safety-related flawless and proper condition.

In order to maintain this condition and guarantee safety use, the user has to consider the security advices and warnings in this manual.

EN 61326-3-1:2008

IEC 61326-1 applies to this part of IEC 61326 but is limited to systems and equipment for industrial applications intended to perform safety functions as defined in IEC 61508 with SIL 1-3.

The electromagnetic environments encompassed by this product family standard are industrial, both indoor and outdoor, as described for industrial locations in IEC 61000-6-2 or defined in 3.7 of IEC 61326-1. Equipment and systems intended for use in other electromagnetic environments, for example, in the process industry or in environments with potentially explosive atmospheres, are excluded from the scope of this product family standard, IEC 61326-3-1.

Devices and systems according to IEC 61508 or IEC 61511 which are considered as “operationally well-tried”, are excluded from the scope of IEC 61326-3-1.

Fire-alarm and safety-alarm systems, intended for protection of buildings, are excluded from the scope of IEC 61326-3-1.

## CAUTION

- The system BIOS is protected by password. Any change in the BIOS may cause a system crash. When the system is booting, do not press ESC-button on keyboard. This may clear the BIOS settings and cause system faults.
- Any change in the file structure as deleting or adding files or directories might cause a system crash.
- Before installing software updates contact DEWETRON or your local distributor. Use only software packages which are released by DEWETRON. Further informations are also available in the internet (<http://www.dewetron.com>).
- After power off the system wait at least 10 seconds before switching the system on again. Otherwise the system may not boot correct. This prolongs also the life of all system components.

## Windows updates and antivirus/security software

Before installing Windows software updates consult with DEWETRON for compatibility guidance. Please also keep in mind that the use of any antivirus or other security software may slow down your system and may cause data loss.

## Problematic network stacks

Often intrusive IT software or network processes can interfere with the primary function of the DEWETRON system: to record data. Therefore we recommend strongly against the installation of IT/MIS software and running their processes on any DEWETRON data acquisition system, and cannot guarantee the performance of our systems if they are so configured.



## Environmental Considerations

Information about the environmental impact of the product.

## Product End-of-Life Handling

Observe the following guidelines when recycling a DEWETRON system:

## System and Components Recycling

Production of these components required the extraction and use of natural resources. The substances contained in the system could be harmful to your health and to the environment if the system is improperly handled at its end of life! Please recycle this product in an appropriate way to avoid an unnecessary pollution of the environment and to keep natural resources.

This symbol indicates that this system complies with the European Union's requirements according to Directive 2002/96/EC on waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE). Please find further informations about recycling on the DEWETRON web site [www.dewetron.com](http://www.dewetron.com)

## Restriction of Hazardous Substances

This product has been classified as Monitoring and Control equipment, and is outside the scope of the 2002/95/EC RoHS Directive. This product is known to contain lead.

# First steps

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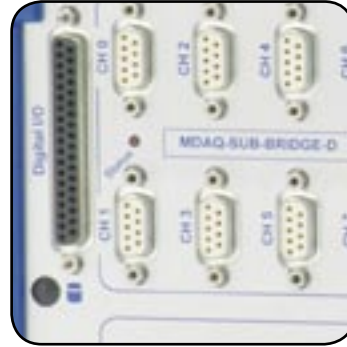
## First steps

1



Power-on your system.

2



Connect your sensors to the system.

3



Run DEWESoft usually via "Start" >"Programs" > "Dewetron" > "DEWESoft x.x" > "DEWESoft x.x"

4



Start recording your data!

## DEWE-1203-DSA - Standard instrument

- Rugged small-size portable instrument
- 8 analog input channels (voltage, IEPE®)
- 2 counter input (encoder), CAN-bus option
- Up to 16 internal thermocouple channels using MPAD modules
- EPAD interface for adding external quasi-static thermocouple or voltage channels
- Local data storage up to 40 MB/s

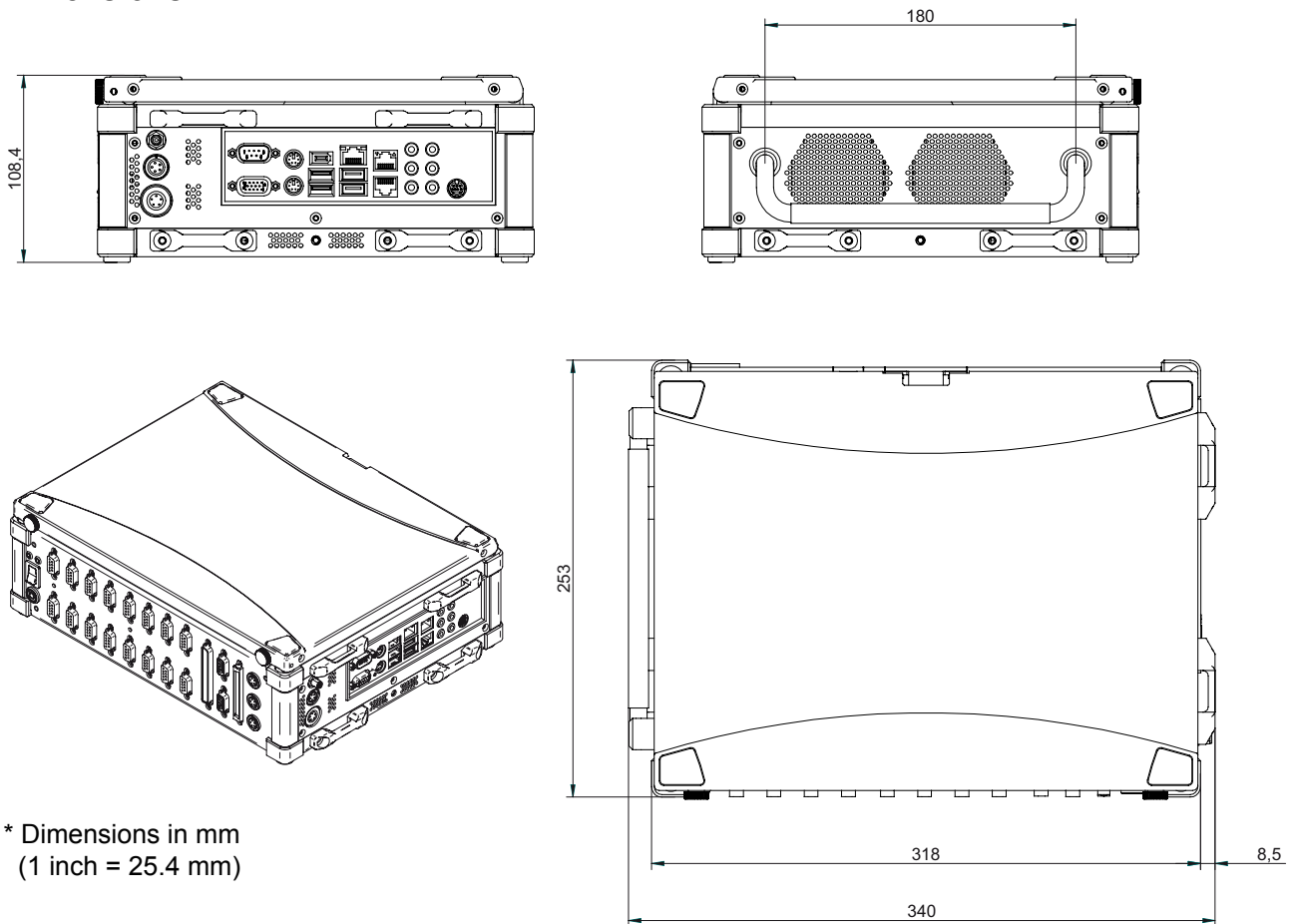


## System specifications

<b>DEWE-1203</b>	
Analog input:	8 analog input channels (Voltage: $\pm 0.1$ to $\pm 10$ V, IEPE®) 24-bit resolution per channel 204.8 kS/s per channel 4 mA or 8 mA source
Thermocouple input (option): Channel 0 to 7 Channel 8 to 15	<input type="checkbox"/> MPAD-TH8-K <input type="checkbox"/> MPAD-TH8-T <input type="checkbox"/> MPAD-TH8-J <input type="checkbox"/> MPAD-TH8-K <input type="checkbox"/> MPAD-TH8-T <input type="checkbox"/> MPAD-TH8-J
Power supply:	<input type="checkbox"/> 250 W 6 to 30 V <sub>DC</sub> ATX power supply (8 V <sub>DC</sub> startup voltage)*; external AC power supply included
Operating temperature:	0 °C to +50 °C
Storage temperature:	-20 °C to +70 °C
Humidity (operating):	10 % to 80 %, non condensing 5 % to 95 %, rel. humidity
Vibration test** EN 60068-2-6 (exceeds MIL-STD 810F 514.5 procedure I)	Shape: Sine Frequency range: 10 - 150 Hz Acceleration: 2 g Sweep rate: 1 oct./min. Duration: 20 Cycles Test in 3 directions
Vibration test** EN 60721-3-2 Class 2M2	Shape: Random Frequency range: 10 - 200 Hz Power spectral density: 1 m/s <sup>2</sup> / Hz from 10 – 200 Hz Duration: 30 Minutes per axis
Shocktests** EN 60068-2-27 (Exceeds MIL-STD 810F 516.5 procedure I)	Shape: Half-sine Acceleration amplitude: 15 g Duration: 11 ms Test in 3 axis, 3 shocks in each axis and direction
Dimensions: (W x D x H):	340 x 253 x 108.4 mm (13.4 x 10 x 4.3 in.)
Weight:	typ. 5.5 kg (12.1 lbs), depending on configuration
*) Further information see chapter 'DIP-switch operation'.	
**) tested with SSD disc	

# Main System

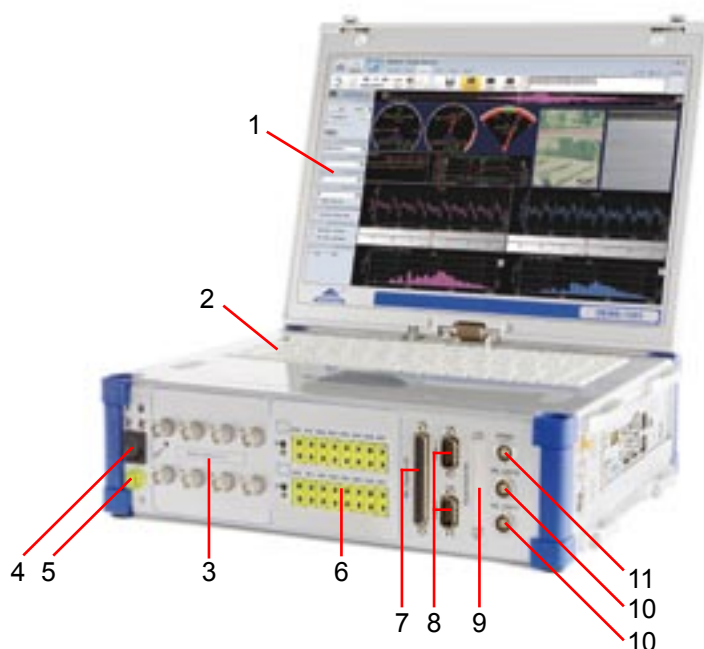
## Dimensions\*



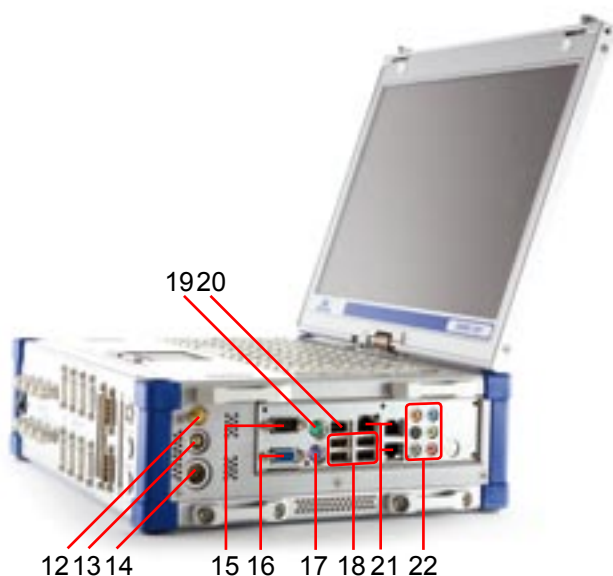
\* Dimensions in mm  
(1 inch = 25.4 mm)

## DEWE-1203-DSA at a glance

Typical DEWE-1203-DSA front view



Typical DEWE-1203-DSA side view



- 1 Built in TFT display
- 2 Keyboard
- 3 **Analog inputs**
- 4 Power-on switch
- 5 Ground connector
- 6 **MPAD modules (option)**
- 7 **Digital I/O connector (B0\_Digital I/O)**
- 8 **Optional CAN interface connector**
- 9 **Optional Expansion interface connector (Expansion E0)**
- 10 **Counter inputs**
- 11 **EPAD connector**
- 12 WLAN antenna
- 13 **Power supply for accessories (12 V<sub>DC</sub> / 1.5 A)**
- 14 **Power supply input connector**
- 15 RS-232 interface connector
- 16 VGA connector
- 17 PS/2 keyboard connector
- 18 USB interface connector
- 19 PS/2 mouse connector
- 20 IEEE-1394 (FireWire®) connector
- 21 Ethernet LAN connector
- 22 Audio device (LINE IN, MIC, LINE OUT)

*Note: The location of the connectors might vary from system to system and depends on configuration*

# Main System

## 3 Analog inputs

For detailed information about the analog inputs please refer to the DEWE-ORION-0824-20x technical reference manual.

## 4 Power-on switch

The power-on switch has to be used to switch on the system.

## 5 Ground connector

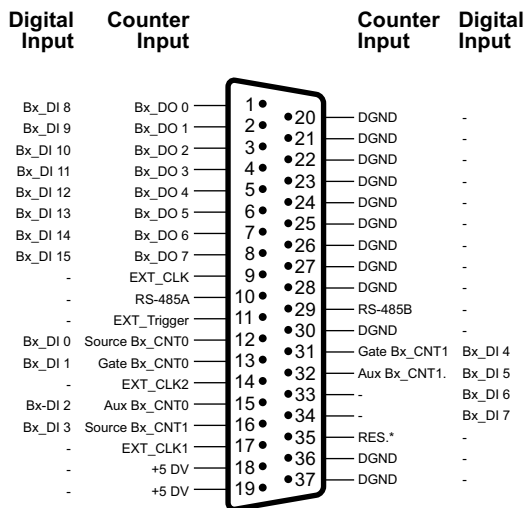
For some kind of measurements, it's necessary to give the system an additional ground connection.

## 6 MPAD-TH8-x panel

Thermocouple input channels for type K, T and J.

## 7 Digital I/O connector

This connector supports digital input and output lines of the built-in DEWE-ORION series board. If this board does not support digital I/O's, the connector is not available.



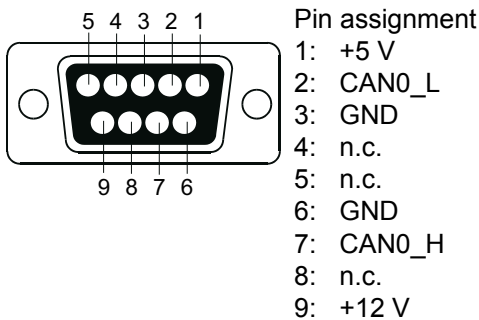
*Note: Only available for standard systems using ORION-xxxx cards!*

37-pin SUB-D connector

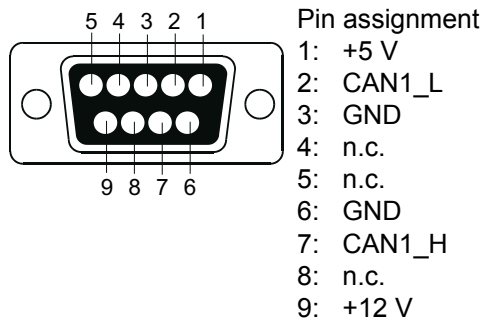
## 8 CAN connector (optional)

This connector supports the CAN signals of the built-in A/D board. If this board does not support CAN signals, the connector is not available.

### CAN 0:



### CAN 1:



## 9 Expansion interface connector (in conjunction with DEWE-ORION-xxxx boards)

The ORION expansion interface connector is installed in case the system is equipped with a 32 channel ORION card or a ORION card with counter expansion.

Digital Input	Counter Input		Counter Input	Counter Input	Digital Input
-	GND	35 ==	1	+5 V	-
-	GND	36 ==	2	Source Ex_CNT0	-
-	RS-485A	37 ==	3	Gate Ex_CNT0	-
-	RS-485B	38 ==	4	Reserved	-
-	GND	39 ==	5	Ex_Out 0	-
-	Aux_Ex_CNT0	40 ==	6	Aux Ex_CNT1	-
-	GND	41 ==	7	Source Ex_CNT1	-
-	GND	42 ==	8	Gate Ex_CNT1	-
-	GND	43 ==	9	Ex_Out 1	-
Ex_DI 1	-	44 ==	10	-	Ex_DI 0
Ex_DI 2	-	45 ==	11	GND	-
-	GND	46 ==	12	-	Ex_DI 3
Ex_DI 5	-	47 ==	13	-	Ex_DI 4
Ex_DI 6	-	48 ==	14	GND	-
-	GND	49 ==	15	-	Ex_DI 7
-	GND	50 ==	16	-	Ex_DI 8
Ex_DI 10	Gate Ex_CNT7	51 ==	17	Aux Ex_CNT7	Ex_DI 9
Ex_DI 11	Source Ex_CNT7	52 ==	18	GND	-
Ex_DI 12	-	53 ==	19	GND	-
Ex_DI 13	Aux Ex_CNT6	54 ==	20	GND	-
-	GND	55 ==	21	Gate Ex_CNT6	Ex_DI 14
-	GND	56 ==	22	Source Ex_CNT6	Ex_DI 15
Ex_DI 17	Aux Ex_CNT5	57 ==	23	-	Ex_DI 16
Ex_DI 18	Gate Ex_CNT5	58 ==	24	GND	-
-	GND	59 ==	25	Source Ex_CNT5	Ex_DI 19
Ex_DI 21	Aux Ex_CNT4	60 ==	26	-	Ex_DI 20
Ex_DI 22	Gate Ex_CNT4	61 ==	27	GND	-
-	GND	62 ==	28	Source Ex_CNT4	Ex_DI 23
Ex_DI 25	Aux Ex_CNT3	63 ==	29	-	Ex_DI 24
Ex_DI 26	Gate Ex_CNT3	64 ==	30	GND	-
-	GND	65 ==	31	Source Ex_CNT3	Ex_DI 27
Ex_DI 29	Aux Ex_CNT2	66 ==	32	-	Ex_DI 28
Ex_DI 30	Gate Ex_CNT2	67 ==	33	GND	-
-	GND	68 ==	34	Source Ex_CNT2	Ex_DI 31

ORION card with counter expansion  
(ORION-xxxx-x02, -x03, -x04, -x05)

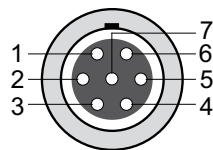
68-pin Amplimite series  
(AMP: 174339-5) SCSI II



**Note:** Only available for standard systems using ORION-xxxx cards!

## 10 Counter inputs (in conjunction with DEWE-ORION-xxxx boards)

- 1: Source Bx\_CNT(n)
  - 2: Aux\_Bx\_CNT(n)
  - 3: Gate Bx\_CNT(n)
  - 4: Power GND
  - 5: +5 V (max. 500 mA)
  - 6: +12 V (max. 500 mA)
  - 7: Signal GND
- n .. channels 0 to 1 of counter board

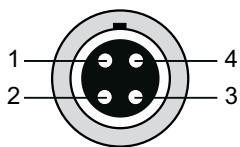


7-pin female LEMO connector  
EGG.1B.307

Mating connector:  
LEMO FGG.1B.307.CLAD52Z  
(for cable diameter 4.1 to 5.0 mm)  
LEMO FGG.1B.307.CLAD62Z  
(for cable diameter 5.1 to 6.0 mm)  
Cable to open end, 5 m long:  
CTR-CBL-05

## 11 EPAD connector

To connect DEWETRON EPAD modules to the system.



Lemo EGG.1B.304

Pin assignment

- 1: RS-485 A
- 2: RS-485 B
- 3: +12 V
- 4: GND

Shield is connected on housing

Mating connector: LEMO FGG.1B.304.CLAD52Z (for cable diameter 4.1 to 5.0 mm)  
LEMO FGG.1B.304.CLAD62Z (for cable diameter 5.1 to 6.0 mm)

# Main System

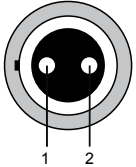
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## 12 WLAN antenna

The DEWE-1203-DSA supports 802.11 b/g/n WLAN standards.

## 13 Power supply for accessories

To supply your accessories with 12 V<sub>DC</sub>. Fused with an 1.5 A self-recovering fuse.



Pin assignment  
1: +12 V, max 1.5 A  
2: GND

Lemo EGG.1B.302

Mating connector:

LEMO FGG.1B.302.CLAD52Z (for cable diameter 4.1 to 5.0 mm)  
LEMO FGG.1B.302.CLAD62Z (for cable diameter 5.1 to 6.0 mm)

## 14 Power supply input connector

For details see chapter power supply.

## 15 RS-232 interface connector

The RS-232 interface connector meets standard RS-232 pin assignment.

## 16 VGA connector

The VGA connector meets standard VGA pin assignment.

## 17 PS/2 mouse / keyboard connector

The mouse / keyboard connector could be used to connect a keyboard or an external PS/2 mouse. The connector meets standard PS/2 pin assignment.

## 18 USB interface connectors (Universal Serial Bus)

The USB interface connectors meets standard USB pin assignment.

## 20 IEEE-1394 (FireWire®) connector

The IEEE-1394 interface connectors meets standard Firewire® pin assignment.

## 21 Ethernet connector

The DEWE-1201 system supports 10/100/1000 BaseT Ethernet with standard RJ45 connector.

## Possible configurations

*Cascading systems using DEWESoft NET*

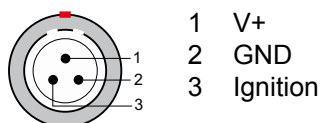


## Power supply

DEWE-1203-DSA with standard external AC/DC power supply



Power supply pin assignment:



Lemo EGJ.2B.303

## Internal 250 W DC power supply

250 W DC power supply	
Input:	
Input range:	6 to 30 V <sub>DC</sub> (startup voltage min. 8 V <sub>DC</sub> )*
Input frequency:	DC
Output:	
Output power:	250 W
Output voltages:	+3.3 V (max. 15 A) +5 V (max. 15 A) +5 Vsb (max. 1.5 A) +12 V (max. 12 A) -12 V (max. 0.15 A)
*) For further information please see chapter 'DIP-switch operation'.	

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## DIP-switch operation

DIP switch (ON = down)					
1	2	3	P	OFF-delay (all rails ON)	Hard-OFF (5 VSB)
OFF	OFF	OFF	P0	Standard PSU mode	
ON	OFF	OFF	P1	5 sec + 1 min AutoLatch*	1 min
OFF	ON	OFF	P2	1 min + 1 min AutoLatch*	NEVER
ON	ON	OFF	P3	1 min + 1 min AutoLatch*	1 min
OFF	OFF	ON	P4	15 min	1 min
ON	OFF	ON	P5	15 min	NEVER
OFF	ON	ON	P6	30 min	1 min
ON	ON	ON	P7	2 hours	NEVER

**IMPORTANT:** Always use the “Hibernate” feature, never use “Standby” as it can severely discharge your battery over extended periods of time.

**NEVER** use “hard-off = NEVER” settings unless you understand the risks of battery depletion. Even with safety limits in place, your battery might be not able to start your engine. “Hard-off=NEVER” keeps your 5 VSB rail on at all times.

\***AutoLatch** is active during the first 60 sec. of PC operation (and only during the first 60 seconds). For example, if ignition is turned ON and then OFF right away, M4-ATX will latch ignition in ON position for the next 60 seconds, allowing your operating system to fully come up. This will prevent disk drive corruption or systems that remain hung in the ON position. After the first 60 seconds of system operation, the AutoLatch feature will be removed and system will shut down at as governed by the “OFF-delay” setting.

**P0:** In this mode, the M4-ATX behaves like a regular ATX power supply. If J6 is connected to the motherboard, M4-ATX will also send a gratuitous “ON pulse” to the motherboard right after power is first applied.

**P1 (recommended):** Sends ON pulse to motherboard when ignition is ON for more than 5 seconds, sends OFF pulse to motherboard 5 seconds after ignition is turned off. Waits another 60 seconds and then shuts down 5 VSB to conserve battery. In this mode, the M4-ATX consumes less than 0.5 mA. This is our recommended setting.

### Power challenges in a vehicle PC:

One of most difficult tasks of operating a PC in a vehicle is power consumption while the computer is OFF. Even when your computer is OFF or in suspend, it will still consume about 50-150 mA on the 5 VSB rail. No matter how big your battery is, you will eventually drain it if proper actions are not taken.

The M4-ATX is addressing these issues by cutting off the 5 VSB rail after a pre-defined amount of time (see Hard-OFF). During Hard-OFF if the battery level drops below 11.2 V for more than one minute, M4-ATX will shut down and reactivate only when the input voltage is above 12 V.

### Engine Cranks, under-voltage and over-voltage situations:

Another difficult task is maintaining stable power to your PC. While car batteries are rated at 12 V, they actually provide voltages in between 8-16 V (engine cranks) or as high as 80 V (load dump). Most times, your battery will stay at 13.5 V but extra precautions need to take place in order to prevent such situations. M4-ATX operates as low as 6 V and as high as 30 V while providing strict regulation as well as input voltage clamping and reverse protection.

## Mode of operation

- 1) Ignition = OFF. Nothing happens. M4-ATX is waiting for ignition signals.
- 2) Ignition = ON. M4-ATX waits for few seconds then turns on the 5 VSB rail. After another second M4-ATX sends an "ON" signal to the motherboard via the 2 wires connected to the motherboard's ON/OFF pins. The motherboard will turn ON and your system should start booting. The Ignition state will be latched for 60 more seconds so that the motherboard will have a change to come up in a clean manner.
- 3) Ignition = ON. Your computer will remain ON.
- 4) Ignition = OFF. M4-ATX waits for "OFF-delay" in seconds (see jumper chart) and then it turns the motherboard OFF by sending a signal to the motherboard's ON/OFF switch. Your computer should turn off gracefully (shutdown procedure). After shutdown, 5 VSB will still be provided for another "Hard-OFF" seconds. In the event where the shutdown process is longer than "HARDOFF" (Operating System gets frozen, etc), power will be shut down hard, turning off all power rails. During the Hard-OFF procedure, the battery levels will be constantly monitored to prevent deep discharge situations.
- 5) M4-ATX will go to step 1, if ignition is turned ON again.

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*NOTE: When all dip switches are off, M4-ATX acts as a regular power supply. M4-ATX will also send a gratuitous "ON" pulse (to the ON/OFF motherboard pins, should you have a wire harness connected to it) when power is applied for the first time. Do not connect the on/off switch if you don't want your PC to be started automatically.*

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# DEWESoft

## DEWESoft Software Turns our Hardware into a Powerful Data Acquisition System



Our award-winning data acquisition package is second to none when it comes to both pure recording power and ease of use. Normally it is a difficult balancing act to provide lots of capability and performance, without making the user interface cumbersome and hard to learn. But with careful and innovative design, we have done exactly that!

The software can act as a simple multi-meter or recorder as well as a sophisticated combustion analyzer or power analyzer. Or anything in between these extremes, like a FFT analyzer, transient recorder, etc.

Over 10 years DEWESoft evolved into a great data acquisition software and is Nr.1 in synchronous acquisition of vastly different signals like analog, digital, CAN, GPS, PCM, counter, video, etc. In 2010 with the release of version 7, DEWESoft takes a big step toward become a very powerful data analysis tool for a wide range of test & measurement applications. Since many years you can utilize math channels in the measure mode for online calculations. Starting with version 7.0, captured data can be re-calculated in the analyze mode using the large suite of calculation (math) functions available in the measure mode. This eliminates the CPU performance limitations and thus provides unlimited offline calculation power.

Example: Performing a 10<sup>th</sup> order notch filter on 128 channels being sampled at 200 kS/s each. This is not possible online. But in analyze mode it's easy. Simply record the data and then filter it afterwards (math functions are non-destructive, i.e., they do not affect the raw channels).

Another important new feature is the sequencer which provides a way to automate test procedures.

### Key Features of DEWETRON systems running DEWESoft

- Fast and easy setup
- Perfect sync of vastly different signals like analog, digital, counter, CAN, XCP, GPS, Video, ARINC, 1553, etc.
- Powerful online data processing, MATH functions, filters, statistics, reference curves
- Attractive online display of all kind of data, creation of displays is a matter of seconds
- Analog, digital or CAN data output; powerful function generator, alarms, CAN messages
- Build test procedures in a form of workflow diagram by means of sequencer
- Fast data analysis, reload GByte files in seconds
- Post processing, large suite of calculation (math) functions

# DEWESoft

## Hardware Support

DEWESoft supports all DEWE-ORION series A/D cards as well as some third-party cards, like Spectrum cards for transient recording. Multiple cards of the same family are supported for high channel counts.

In front of the A/D cards typically comes signal conditioning units, and there is a huge range of DEWETRON conditioners which are all perfectly implemented into the software.

Besides the analog inputs DEWESoft supports the digital I/Os, counters and CAN interfaces of the DEWE-ORION series cards.

To acquire video streams in sync with the analog data there is a selection of DEWE-CAM cameras.

Further bus systems like PCM telemetry, XCP, ARINC, 1553, etc. are supported, too. DEWETRON offers the appropriate hardware for all of these.

For position and speed measurements there is a choice of high performance DEWE-VGPS sensors. Or use low-cost sensor which is NMEA compatible for simple position plotting and mapping applications.



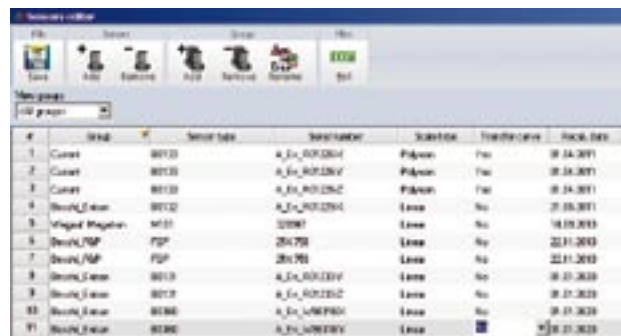
DAQx modules



DEWE-ORION A/D cards

## Sensor Database and TEDS (Technical Electronic Data Sheet)

The DEWESoft data acquisition software suite was developed especially for measurement technicians, thus simple sensor “connection” is a major topic. Basic settings like sensor setup are easily done. TEDS technology of newer sensors is supported on both the hardware and software side, so that all settings follow automatically, preventing user errors and saving a huge amount of time. For sensors without TEDS, there are numerous options for manual scaling as well as an integrated sensor database to make settings as efficient as possible.



#	SNAP	Serial No.	Manufacturer	Substrate	Transfer curve	Scale, Min
1	Current	8013	A/D_1012814	Precision	Yes	0.14, 0.01
2	Current	8013	A/D_1012814	Precision	Yes	0.14, 0.01
3	Current	8013	A/D_1012814	Precision	Yes	0.14, 0.01
4	Strain/Displacement	8012	A/D_1012814	Linear	No	7.15, 0.01
5	Voltage/Resistor	8011	12081	Linear	No	14.18, 0.01
6	Strain/VGP	FSP	25475	Linear	No	22.11, 0.01
7	Strain/VGP	FSP	25475	Linear	No	22.11, 0.01
8	Strain/Displacement	8013	A/D_1012814	Linear	No	0.17, 0.01
9	Strain/Displacement	8013	A/D_1012814	Linear	No	0.17, 0.01
10	Strain/Displacement	8086	A/D_1012814	Linear	No	0.17, 0.01
11	Strain/Displacement	8086	A/D_1012814	Linear	No	0.17, 0.01

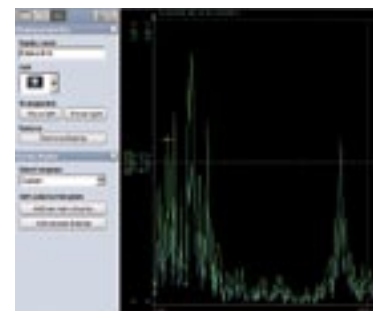
## Video Recording

A camera is a perfect sensor for many applications and a lot of people like to use it in their data acquisition. Video is a useful test documentation, providing a visual record of the test conditions and setup. It can also be used for more in-depth analysis, as you can imagine. There is nothing quite like seeing your data replayed with synchronized video – this DEWETRON innovation provides a whole new level of context and understanding of your test data than you could ever imagine.



## 3D Graph

In the properties panel there is a function that allows you to edit the properties of the selected display, and to create new displays, and rearrange them. You can rename any display, and select a different icon for it. Of course you can add sub-displays to any main display.



## Display Screens

One of the most powerful and yet easy to use aspect of DEWESoft is the creation of displays. Of course a few standard displays like Recorders, Oscilloscope, FFT, Meters, Bars, 2D and 3D graphs, etc. are built-in for you. But this is only the beginning. You simply can create custom displays according to the needs of specific test.

## Project Setup

The project files setup the measurement instruments in seconds including complete hardware setup, measurement configuration, and sensor calibration.

Since DEWESoft version 7 you can create “Projects” at the hardware setup screen level, where each project contains all of the settings for any hardware that you own. You can have an unlimited number of hardware setups, which you can freely name and edit. When you start DEWESoft 7, it will automatically load the last hardware setup that you used, of course ... but if you have changed the hardware, you can simply choose a different project from the “Settings” menu, and a completely different hardware setup will be loaded.



Even when using the same hardware, projects allows using different folders for setup, data and exported files. So you can create John and George projects for different users and work without interfering or you can create e.g. Road-Load and DSA projects for different tasks.

## Recording

You can control recording as simple as pressing the START, STORE and STOP buttons. But there are also versatile trigger options to e.g. only store data if a trigger event occurs or to store at a slow rate usually but store at a fast rate at a trigger event with definable pre- and post times.

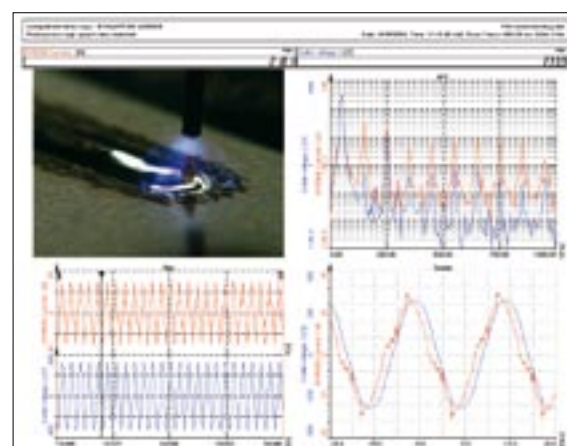
There is a large suite of calculation (math) functions which can be applied to any channels.



## Analyze – Replay, Re-calculate, Export

In Analyze mode you can replay any captured data file, zoom in, make cursor measurements, print reports and export the data to a wide variety of formats, like Flexpro, Excel, Matlab, Diadem and many more.

Since version 7 all the powerful math functions such as math formulas, filtering, statistics, power analysis, frequency response function, order tracking, torsional vibration, engine combustion analysis, sound analysis, human vibration analysis, and others can also be applied off-line to captured data. So you can simply store the raw data and do all the processing off-line, on any computer, anywhere. This allows you to work with the data as you were at the test bench or on the proving ground.



## Notes

# A/D & D/A Conversion

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## **A/D Conversion**

Please find information about the A/D conversion in the attached DEWE-ORION series manual. The latest version of the manual can be downloaded from:

<http://download.dewetron.com/dl/components/adboards>

Informations regarding different manufacturer's see the corresponding D/A card manual.

# A/D & D/A Conversion

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Notes

# CE-Certificate of conformity



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Name of product:

**DEWE-1203-DSA**

Kind of product:

*Data acquisition instrument*

The product meets the regulations of the following EC-directives:

**73/23/EEC**

**"Directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to electrical equipment designed for use within certain voltage limits amended by the directive 93/68/EEC"**

**89/336/EEC**

**"Directive on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to electromagnetic compatibility amended by the directives 91/263/EEC, 92/31/EEC, 93/68/EEC and 93/97/EEC"**

The accordance is proved by the observance of the following standards:

<b>L V E M C</b>	<b>Safety</b>	IEC/EN 61010-1:1992/93 IEC/EN 61010-2-031	IEC 61010-1:1992/300 V CATIII Pol. D. 2 IEC 1010-2-031
	<b>Emissions</b>	EN 61000-6-4	EN 55011 Class B
	<b>Immunity</b>	EN 61000-6-2	Group standard

**Graz, October 14, 2008**

Place / Date of the CE-marking

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