



DEWETRON

DAQP-CHARGE-B Module

TECHNICAL REFERENCE MANUAL

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Indicates hazardous voltages.

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

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

Safety instructions for DEWETRON amplifiers

- The DEWETRON data acquisition systems and amplifiers may only be installed by experts.
- Read your manual carefully before operating.
- Observe local laws when using the amplifiers.
- Ground the equipment: For Safety Class 1 equipment (equipment having a protective earth terminal), a non interruptible safety earth ground must be provided from the mains power source to the product input wiring terminals or supplied power cable.
- DO NOT operate the product in an explosive atmosphere or in the presence of flammable gases or fumes.
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- No modifications are allowed at the amplifiers.
- DO NOT service or adjust alone. Do not attempt internal service or adjustment unless another person, capable of rendering first aid and resuscitation, is present.
- DO NOT substitute parts or modify equipment: Because of the danger of introducing additional hazards, do not install substitute parts or perform any unauthorized modification to the product. Return the product to a DEWETRON sales and service office for service and repair to ensure that safety features are maintained.
- DO NOT touch internal wiring!
- DO NOT use higher supply voltage than specified!
- Use only original plugs and cables for harnessing.
- Safety of the operator and the unit depend on following these rules.

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General Module Information

Calibration information

All DEWETRON modules are calibrated at 25 °C after a warmup time of 30 minutes and meet their specifications when leaving the factory.

The time interval for recalibration depends on environmental conditions. Typically, the calibration should be checked once a year.

Calibration certificates are available from DEWETRON as an option. DEWETRON offers two types:

- ISO traceable DEWETRON certificate
- Calibration certificate according to ÖKD (equivalent to DKD)

This manual contains no calibration information. For self calibration, there is a separate calibration kit for the DAQ series modules available. The CAL-KIT contains the required cables, software and instructions.

General module specifications

Module dimensions: 20 x 65 x 105 mm (0.79 x 2.56 x 4.13 in.)
(W x H x D without front cover and connectors)

Frontcover: 20 x 87 x 2 mm (0.79 x 3.43 x 0.08 in.)
(W x H x D without connector)

Environmental:

Temp. range storage: -30 °C to +85 °C (-22 °F to 185 °F)

Temp. range operating: -5 °C to +60 °C (23 °F to 140 °F)

Relative humidity

(MIL202): 0 to 95 % at 60 °C, non-condensing (unless otherwise noticed)

RFI susceptibility: ±0.5 % span error at 400 MHz, 5 W, 3 m

All specifications within this manual are valid at 25 °C!

All modules are produced according ISO9001 and ISO14001.

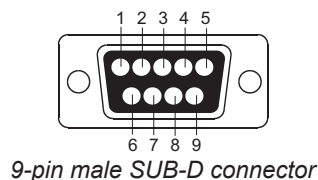
Module connectors

Frontpanel connector: Accessable to the user. The connector type and pin assignment varies from module to module. Detailed pin assignment of each module is shown in the appropriate module description.

Rear connector: 9-pin male SUB-D, interface to the DEWE-System, not accessible to the user.



HSI/DAQx and PAD module
rear view



Interface pin assignment:

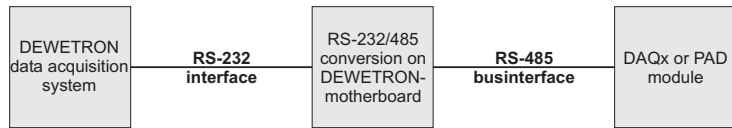
- 1 Module output (± 5 V)
- 2 RS-485 (A)
- 3 RS-485 (B)
- 4 GND
- 5 +9 V power supply
- 6 +12 V power / sensor supply
- 7 Module input (from D/A converter of the A/D board)¹⁾
- 8 reserved
- 9 -9 V power supply

¹⁾ Triggerout at DAQP-FREQ-A

General Module Information

RS-232/485 interface

HSI/DAQP modules can be configured via RS-485 interface, PAD modules require this interface for all data transfers.



For all DEWETRON systems, an internal RS-232/485 converter is available

(standard with DEWE-800, -2000, -2500, -3000, -4000, -5000 series systems). This converter allows communication with HSI/DAQP and PAD modules.

To communicate with the modules, the RS-232 interface has to be set to the following parameters:

baud rate:	9600 bps
data bits:	8
parity:	no parity
stop bits:	1
handshake:	not required

HSI/DAQP module configuration

1. Push button selection

All ranges and filters can be selected directly by pressing the push buttons on the module. Approx. 15 sec. after changing range and / or filter, the range and filter information is stored in an EEPROM. This procedure increases the lifetime of the EEPROM.

The current input range setting is shown all the time by LED. To change the range just press **RANGE** button a few times until the required range is displayed.

To see the current filter setting just press the **FILTER** button once. The corresponding LED is flashing for approx. 3 seconds. Within this time, the filter can be selected by pressing the **FILTER** button again. Approx. 3 seconds after the last key activity, the information will be stored, the LED stops flashing and shows the input range again.

CAUTION: Power loss during this time leaves the module in the former settings.

2. RS-232/485 programming

All ranges and filters can also be selected via RS-232/485 interface. All new DEWE-800, -2000, -2500, -3000, -4000, -5000 series systems are prepared as a standard to work with HSI/DAQP modules.

The easiest way to change the configuration is to use the DEWEConfig software, which comes as a standard with the DEWETRON data acquisition system.

Detailed information about HSI/DAQP modules programming for customer applications is available in the *DEWE-Modules Programmers Reference Manual*.

CAUTION: All range and filter changes which are done via RS-232/485 interface are not stored in the EEPROM of the HSI/DAQP modules! You have to store this information in a separat initialisation file to keep settings information for next system start!

PAD module communication

All PAD modules are only working through the RS-232/485 interface. All new DEWE-800, -2000, -2500, -3000, -4000, -5000 series systems are prepared as a standard to work with PAD modules. The easiest way to change the configuration is to use the DEWEConfig software, which comes as a standard with the DEWETRON data acquisition system.

Detailed information about PAD modules programming for customer applications is available in the *DEWE-Modules Programmers Reference Manual*.

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LED state

The DAQP-CHARGE-B series module has a set of 7 LEDs showing the current input range (constant active), the filter range (flashing). A selected custom range is displayed with constant lightening of the highest both range LEDs. The LED labeled with HP displays the state of the high pass filter: if the LED is active, the high pass filter is used, if the LED is flashing, the module is in reset mode.

Due to the large number of low pass filters, two LEDs are used to display the current frequency. The left LED indicates the multiplier, the right one shows the exponent with the base of 10. Example: for the 10 kHz frequency, the LED 1 and 4 are flashing ($1 \times 10^4 \text{ Hz} = 10\,000 \text{ Hz}$).

Input range and filter selection

The DAQP-CHARGE-B series module has two push buttons with multiple functions.

- Range button: Push the **RANGE** button several times shortly until the LED displays the desired input range. If a special custom range is defined in the module, it can be selected before the highest range ($1 \times 10^6 \text{ pC} = 1\,000\,000 \text{ pC}$) is activated.
Pressing the **RANGE** button for more than one second will activate the reset function.
- Filter button: Push the **FILTER** button once - the LEDs will flash for approx. 3 seconds and display the current lowpass filter setting.
Push the **FILTER** button within the three seconds several times until the flashing LED displays the desired filter range.
Pressing the **FILTER** button for more than one second will activate the highpass filter.

Environmental conditions

To stay within the time constant and the input drift specification of the DAQP-CHARGE-B, it is essential that the module is not exposed to high moisture.

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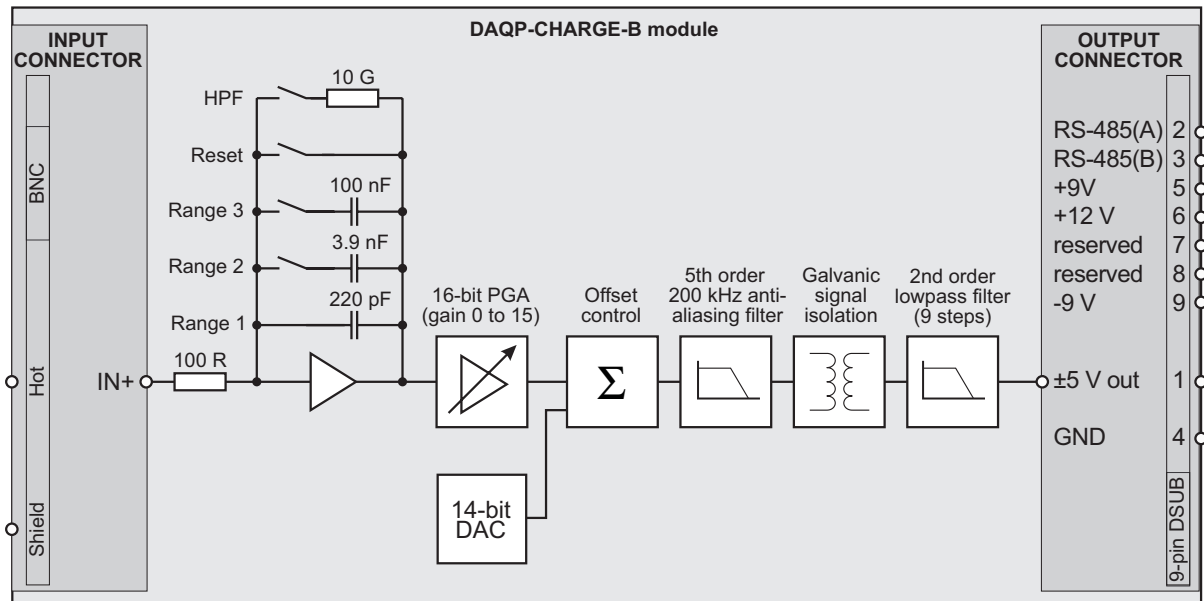


The DAQP-CHARGE-B module requires special environmental conditions! The module has an extremely low input drift and very high time constants. Therefore some internal components have extremely high isolation resistances. To obtain this characteristic, the DAQP-CHARGE-B **must not** be exposed to high moisture, temperature or dust. High moisture can dramatically reduce the time constant of the module. If the module has been exposed to high humidity, it is recommended to power on the module at least 48 hours in a dry environment before a measurement starts. Permanent damage must be expected if the module exceeds the specified temperature range.

If there is a faint suspicion the module has been exposed high temperature or moisture, DEWETRON strongly recommend a factory calibration check.

Block diagram

Base block diagram of the DAQP-CHARGE-B module:



High pass filter

As shown in the schematic of the DAQP-CHARGE-B the time constant of the internal highpass filter depends on the used input range. For Range 1 (100 pC, 500 pC and 2 000 pC) the time constant is 2 seconds (or 0.07 Hz), for Range 2 (10 000 pC and 40 000 pC) the time constant is 40 seconds (or 3.9 mHz). For the highest both ranges (200 000 pC and 1 000 000 pC) the time constant is 1000 seconds or 0.16 mHz).

Sensor connection



A BNC to Microdot adapter is available as an option.

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Power consumption

Charge is defined by current multiplied with time ($Q = I \times t$). That means that every charge amplifier (or better: charge to voltage converter) requires more power if the charge amplitude or the frequency increases. The relation between power, charge and frequency is defined by:

$$P [W] = Q [pC] \times f [Hz] \times 6.28 \times 10^{-11}$$

That means that the DAQP-CHARGE-B requires 6.28 W at 100 kHz and 1 000 000 pC of additional power (or 0.628 W @ 10 kHz and 1 000 000 pC). But the internal amplifier (and also the DEWE-RACK) is limited to 2 W for additional power.

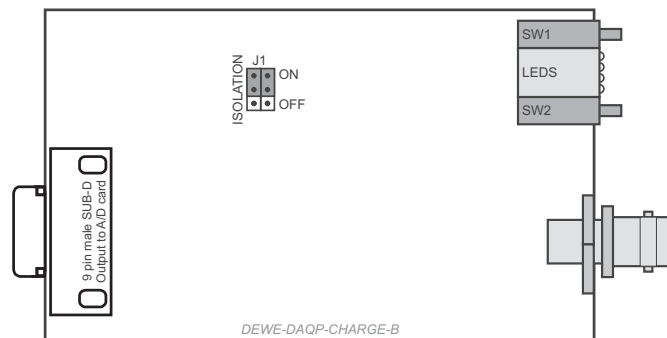
Although this limitation the DAQP-CHARGE-B can also used with a 100 kHz and 1 000 000 pC signal for a short time. Up to 50 cycles with that high frequency can be handled without any limitation. After this 50 cycles it is necessary to have a break of at least 100 cycles to be within the maximum average power consumption.

Isolation

The DAQP-CHARGE-B series module offers an isolation between input and output (= factory default). This will eliminate nearly all errors which occur if the input GND (= sensor GND) has not exactly the same potential than the GND of the data acquisition system.

Different locations have different potential. Therefore errors may occur if many sensors are mounted on different locations.

But if the ground of the charge sensor is isolated or the potential where the sensor is mounted is floating better results can be achieved if the module input GND is connected to the module output GND. These can be done externally, but also with two internal jumpers. Set both jumpers to the lower position to connect the input and output GND and disable the isolation.



CE-Certificate of conformity



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Kind of product:

Signal conditioning modules

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

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	Immunity	EN 61000-6-2 Group standard

Graz, April 28, 2010

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Notes
