



BSC4D Quickstart Guide



Introduction

- The BSC4D Amplifier takes up to 4 Independent Inputs and turns those signals into a digital output.
- 4 independent channels
- For use with model 3AXX series 3-axis load cells or multiple load cells
- Can be used with up to any 4 standard load cells (with mV/V output)
- Inputs for Strain gage / 0–10 V /PT1000
- Measurement ranges 2 mV/V / 10 mV/V
- 8 digital inputs / outputs
- Data rate 0 Hz–500Hz

Description

This 4-channel measuring amplifier for sensors with strain gauges is equipped with a USB interface. The voltage is supplied via the USB port at the back of the measuring amplifier. The measuring amplifier can be delivered with a SUB-D37 connection or with 4x M12 ports. The measuring amplifier has eight digital inputs and outputs.

On the backside SubD25 socket, strain gauge full-bridges and half-bridges 120 Ohm up to 1 Khom as well as PT1000 temperature sensors and 1000 Ohm single grid strain gages or voltages 0-5V can be connected.

Options

USB output, up to 10 mV/V input, 37-pin input connector or 4 each M12

connectors and is USB powered. Includes graphing and logging software

Caution: <u>Please read this entire guide before making any connections or powering the</u> <u>BSC4D. Software and Drivers MUST be installed first. Refer to the Installation Diagram</u> for the correct BSC4D model.







BlueDAQ Software Installation

- Please follow these instructions carefully. DO NOT connect the amplifier to the PC until instructed to do so. The BlueDAQ PC software is included on a USB Flash Drive with the amplifier or can be downloaded from www.interfaceforce.com
- Install the software by double-clicking the "setup.exe" file located in the BlueDAQ folder. You may need to "Extract" the contents of the folder first if you downloaded it from the website. Follow the instructions for installation. Once the software completes installation you **MUST** restart your computer.
- 3. Attach the amplifier to the PC using the supplied USB A-B cable. BSC4D drivers were installed with the BlueDAQ software and Windows will automatically load them. BSC4 drivers must be installed as described below and are located on the USB Drive or <u>www.interfaceforce.com</u> website.

COM Ports

1. Once windows is finished installing the device navigate to Device Manager and check for a new **USB Serial Port** (COMX) where X is the assigned port number. Remember this number. In the examples below it is COM6.

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Adding a Single Channel

1. Run BlueDAQ from the start menu. After the program launches click "ADD CHANNEL"

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- 2. In the Add Channel dialog box
 - 2.1. Click Devicetype drop-down and select BSC4
 - 2.2. Click the Device dropdown box and select the device, select the COM Port (See Device Manager if unknown) and open the correct amount of input channels (First = 1 and Last = total # of channels for device).
 - 2.3. Click Connect

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 Each channel must now be scaled using the "SCALING" dialog box. Each channel must be scaled independently. If the BSC4D was purchased with Interface load cells and a System Setup and Scaling then the scaling values will be taken from the "Load Cell / BSC4D Multi-Channel Digital PC Interface And Data Acquisition Instrument Calibration Certificate"

Change Display Scaling			×		
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Scaling: 2 mV/V					
Calculate OK / Set Cancel					

- 3.1. Physical full scale is typically the capacity of the sensor.
- 3.2. Electrical full-scale output is the output of the sensor at the Physical full scale.
- 3.3. Input Range is always 2 mV/V and should not be changed.

4. Example scaling using Load Cell / BSC4D Multi-Channel Digital PC Interface And Data Acquisition Instrument Calibration Certificate"



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5 Example scaling a channel using model WMC-100 load cell with 100 lbf capacity and 1.9587 mV/V output. After entering the values into the dialog box you must click "Calculate" and then "OK/Set".

Measurement and Recording

1. Click Set All Zero before measuring



2. Click YES



3. Click OK to Start Measuring





4. Click Start Measuring







5. Recorder Tab, measurements of all Axis.



6. Value Display shows values in each Axis.

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Multi-axis sensor enabled.				
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