



# Q8 High Performance Data Acquisition & Control Board

| Function             | Parameter              | Description   |
|----------------------|------------------------|---|
| Interface            | Туре                   | PCI, 32-bit, 33 MHz   |
| A/D                  | Resolution             | 14 bits (1.2mV / Count)<br>Sign-extended to 16 bits in hardware                                     |
|                      | Input Range            | $\pm 10 \text{ V}$  |
|                      | # Channels             | 8   |
|                      | Conversion Time        | $2.4 \ \mu s$ / channel (on 2 channels concurrently)  |
|                      | Sampling Frequency     | 350 kHz Sampling of 2 Channels (100 kHz of all 8)<br>Simultaneous sample and hold of all 8 channels |
| D/A                  | Resolution             | 12 bits (4.8 mV / Count)  |
|                      | Output Range           | Software programmable: $\pm 10V$ , $\pm 5V$ , 0 - 10V   |
|                      | # Channels             | 8<br>- On-board double buffering<br>- Simultaneous update of all 8 channels                         |
|                      | Settling Time          | 8 µs  |
| Digital I/O          | Output Characteristics | Totem-Pole Output for faster digital output   |
|                      | Configuration          | Individually Programmable (Input / Output)  |
|                      | Number of I/O lines    | 32  |
| Encoder<br>Inputs    | Input Characteristics  | Single-Ended / TTL / CMOS compatible  |
|                      | Counter Size           | 24 bits<br>Simultaneous sampling on all 8 channels  |
| Counters /<br>Timers | Number of Counters     | 8x 24 bit counters<br>2x 32 bit counters (30 ns resolution)   |
| Watchdog             | Configuration          | Enabled / disabled through software<br>Automatic reset all analog / digital outputs                 |
| PWM                  | Number of Outputs      | 2x User programmable PWM outputs  |

# **Q8 Individual Component Specifications**



#### **Analog Inputs**

- 8 analog inputs (two A/D chips, 4 channels per chip with onboard FIFOs).
- +/-10V input range.
- 14-bit resolution (1.2 mV / bit).
- 2.4 usec conversion time per channel, on two channels concurrently. Results in 100 kHz sampling per channel when all 8 channels read. 350 kHz on two channels.
- Simultaneous sample and hold of all 8 channels.
- Interrupt on end-of-conversion for each channel.
- Interrupt on end-of-all-conversions.
- Results sign-extended to 16-bits in hardware.
- Read two 16-bit conversions concurrently with a single 32-bit PCI read.

## **Analog Outputs**

- 8 analog outputs (two D/A chips, 4 channels per chip with onboard double-buffering).
- 12-bit resolution (4.8 mV / bit).
- Double-buffering allows output values to be preloaded without affecting actual analog signal.
- Simultaneous update of all 8 channels (transfer from preloaded value to analog signal).
- Programmable voltage ranges: +/-10V, +/-5V, 0-10V.
- Transparent mode available (bypasses double-buffering).
- Set two 12-bit output values concurrently using a single 32-bit PCI write.

### Encoders

- 8 single-ended encoder inputs.
- Index pulse supported on all channels. Index pulse can cause count value to be set or latched.
- Index pulse may be enabled or disabled individually on each channel.
- Interrupt on index pulse, error (noise detection), counter overflow, underflow or either.
- 24-bit counters.

### Counters

- Two 32-bit general purpose periodic counters: COUNTER and WATCHDOG.
- 30ns resolution (periods from 60ns to more than 2 minutes).
- COUNTER can be enabled or disabled by user hardware (via an extra digital input).
- COUNTER can optionally trigger A/D conversions on selected channels.
- COUNTER expiration causes 60ns pulse on external pin.
- WATCHDOG can be enabled or disabled in software.
- WATCHDOG can optionally reset the analog outputs and set all digital outputs on expiration.
- WATCHDOG expiration causes level change on external pin until reset.
- Read and written using 32-bit PCI accesses.
- Interrupt on either counter's expiration.

# Digital I/O

- 32 digital I/O channels.
- Each channel individually programmable as input or output.
- Totem-pole outputs, not open-collector for much faster digital outputs.
- All channels can be read or written in a single 32-bit PCI access.