



PicoScope® 4262

HIGH-RESOLUTION USB OSCILLOSCOPE

A Digital Oscilloscope for the Analog World

Low noise Two channels 16 MS buffer 16-bit resolution 10 MS/s sampling 5 MHz bandwidth Advanced digital triggers Low-distortion signal generator Arbitrary waveform generator USB powered



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Supplied with a full SDK including example programs • Software compatible with Windows XP, Windows Vista and Windows 7 • Free Technical Support

PicoScope 4262 Oscilloscope

... from a name you can trust

Low distortion, low noise

The PicoScope 4262 from Pico Technology is a 2-channel, 16-bit high-resolution oscilloscope with a built-in low-distortion signal generator. With its 5 MHz bandwidth, it can easily analyze audio, ultrasonic and vibration signals, characterize noise in switched mode power supplies, measure distortion, and perform a wide range of precision measurement tasks.



Full-featured oscilloscope

The PicoScope 4262 is a full-featured oscilloscope, with a function generator and arbitrary waveform generator that includes a sweep function to enable frequency response analysis. It also offers mask limit testing, math and reference channels, advanced digital triggering, serial decoding, automatic measurements and color persistence display.

Designed for the analog world

When used in spectrum analyzer mode, the scope provides a menu of eleven automatic frequency-domain measurements such as IMD, THD, SFDR and SNR. Its performance is so good that it rivals many dedicated audio analyzers and dynamic signal analyzers costing several times the price.

Most digital oscilloscopes have been designed for viewing fast digital signals. The trend has been to use new technology solely to increase sampling rate and bandwidth. With the PicoScope 4262 we have focused on what's important for measuring analogue signals: increasing the resolution, improving dynamic range, and reducing noise and distortion.

Advanced triggers

As well as the standard range of triggers found on all oscilloscopes, the PicoScope 4262 offers a comprehensive set of advanced digital triggers including pulse width, windowed and dropout triggers to help you capture the data you need.

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Digital triggering

Digital triggering reduces trigger errors and allows our oscilloscopes to trigger on the smallest signals, even at the full bandwidth. Trigger levels and hysteresis can be set with great precision and resolution.

Digital triggering also reduces re-arm delay and this combined with the segmented memory allows the triggering and capture of events that happen in rapid sequence. At the fastest timebase you can use rapid triggering to capture a new waveform every microsecond. The mask limit testing function can then scan through these waveforms to highlight any failed waveforms for viewing in the waveform buffer.

Arbitrary waveform and function generator

The unit has a built-in signal generator (sine, square, triangle, DC level). As well as basic controls to set level, offset and frequency, more advanced controls allow you to sweep over a range of frequencies. Combined with the spectrum peak hold option, this makes a powerful tool for testing amplifier and filter responses.

Also included is a fully programmable arbitrary waveform generator with a 4 k-sample buffer.



High-end features as standard

To protect your investment, both the API and the firmware inside the unit can be updated. We have a long history of providing new features for free via software downloads. Other companies make vague promises about future enhancements but we deliver on our promises year after year. Users of our products reward us by becoming lifelong customers, frequently recommending us to their colleagues.

High signal integrity

Most oscilloscopes are built down to a price; ours are built up to a specification.

Careful front-end design and shielding reduces noise, crosstalk and harmonic distortion. Years of oscilloscope experience enable us to achieve improved pulse response and bandwidth flatness.

We are proud of the dynamic performance of our products and publish these specifications in detail. The result is simple: when you probe a circuit with a PicoScope, you can trust in the data you capture.



PicoScope 4262 Specifications

VERTICAL		
Number of channels	2	
Input connectors	BNC	
Bandwidth (-3 dB)	5 MHz (4 MHz on ±20 mV range, 3 MHz on ±10 mV range)	
Bandwidth limiter	200 kHz, switchable	
Rise time (calculated)	70 ns (88 ns on ±20 mV range, 117 ns on ±10 mV range)	
Resolution	16 bits (20 bits in enhanced resolution mode)	
Input impedance	1 MΩ ±2% 15 pF ±2 pF	
Input coupling	AC/DC	
Input sensitivity	2 mV/div to 4 V/div (10 vertical divisions)	
Input ranges	±10 mV, ±20 mV, ±50 mV, ±100 mV, ±200 mV, ±500 mV, ±1 V, ±2 V, ±5 V, ±10 V, ±20 V	
DC accuracy (% of full scale)	$\pm 0.25\%$ (±0.5% on ±50 mV range , ±1% on ±20 mV range, ±2% on ±10 mV range)	
Overvoltage protection	±50 V (DC + AC Peak)	
HORIZONTAL		
Sampling rate (real time 1 or 2 channels)	10 MS/s	
Sampling rate (cont. USB streaming)*	1 MS/s (with supplied software), 10 MS/s one channel, 6.7 MS/s two channels (in SDK)	
Buffer memory	16 MS	
Waveform buffer (no. of segments)	10,000 (with supplied software), 32,768 (in SDK)	
Timebase ranges	1 ns/div to 1000 s/div	
Timebase accuracy	±50 ppm	
Sample jitter	< 10 ps RMS	
DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE (typical)		
Crosstalk	> 50,000:1	
Total harmonic distortion	-95 dB typical @ 10 kHz, -1 dBfs input	
SFDR	102 dB typical @ 10 kHz, -1 dBfs input	
Pulse response	<1% overshoot all ranges	
Bandwidth flatness	±0.2 dB DC to full bandwidth	
Noise	8.5 µV RMS (on most sensitive range)	
TRIGGERS (CHANNELS A & B)		
Trigger modes	None, auto, repeat, single, rapid (segmented memory)	
Basic trigger types	Rising, falling	
Advanced digital trigger types	Edge, window, pulse width, window pulse width, dropout, window dropout, interval, runt pulse, logic	
Trigger sensitivity (Ch A, Ch B)	Digital triggering provides 1 LSB accuracy up to full bandwidth of scope	
Max. pre-trigger capture	Up to 100% of capture size	
Max. post-trigger delay	Up to 4 billion samples	
Trigger re-arm time	< 10 µs on fastest timebase	
EXT TRIGGER		
Trigger types	Edge, pulse width, dropout, interval, logic, delayed	
Input characteristics	Rear panel BNC, 1 MΩ ±2% 15 pF ± 2 pF	
Threshold range	±5 V and ±500 mV, DC coupled	
Sensitivity	25 mV p-p at 1 MHz, typical	
DC accuracy	± 1%	
Bandwidth	5 MHz	
Overvoltage protection	± 50 V	
SERIAL DECODING		
Protocols	I ² C, CAN Bus, SPI, RS232/UART	
MASK LIMIT TESTING		
	Pass/fail, failure count, total count	
DISPLAY MODES		
Interpolation	Linear or sin (x)/x	
Persistence modes	Digital color, analog intensity, custom, or none	
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Functions	-x, x+y, x-y, x^y, x/y, sqrt(x), x'y, exp(x), ln(x), log(x), abs(x), norm(x), sign(x), sign(x), sin(x), cos(x), tan(x), arccos(x), arctan(x), sinh(x), cosh(x), tanh(x)	

* Ideal values shown. Actual achieved sampling rates are PC-dependent.

Specifications Continued...

SPECTRUM ANALYZER			
Frequency range	DC to 5 MHz		
Windowing functions	Rectangular, Gaussian, triangular, Blackman, Blackman-Harris, Hamming, Hann, flat-top		
Display modes	Magnitude, peak hold, average		
Number of FFT points	128 to 1 million		
SIGNAL GENERATOR			
Standard output signals	Sine, square, triangle, DC voltage, ramp, sinc, Gaussian, half-sine, white noise, PRBS		
Bandwidth	20 kHz		
Output frequency accuracy	±50 ppm		
Output frequency resolution	< 0.01 Hz		
Output voltage range	±1 V (into high impedance load)		
Offset voltage adjustment	100 μV steps (within overall ±1 V range)		
DC accuracy	±0.5% of full scale		
Amplitude flatness	< 0.1 dB to 20 kHz, typical		
SFDR	102 dB typical @ 10 kHz, -1 dBfs input		
Connector type	Front panel BNC		
Output characteristics	600 Ω		
Overvoltage protection	±10 V		
Sweep modes	Up, down, dual with selectable frequency and sweep time		
AWG			
Update rate	192 kS/s		
Buffer size	4096 samples		
Resolution	16 bits		
Bandwidth	20 kHz		
Rise time (10% to 90%)	11 µs, typical		
AUTOMATIC MEASUREMENTS			
Oscilloscope mode	AC RMS, true RMS, DC average, cycle time, frequency, duty cycle,		
	rising/falling rate, rise/fall time, high/low pulse width, maximum, minimum, peak to peak,		
Spectrum mode	tetel a surver THD % THD 40 THD 10 SED SIMAD SND		
Statistics	total power, THD %, THD dB, THD+N, SFDR, SINAD, SNR, IMD		
GENERAL			
PC connectivity	USB 2.0 hi-speed		
Dimensions	210 x 135 x 40 mm (including connectors)		
Weight	< 0.5 kg		
Power requirements	Powered from USB port		
Operating temperature range	0 °C to 45 °C (20 °C to 30 °C for stated accuracy)		
Storage temperature range	-20 °C to +60 °C		
Operating humidity range	5% to 80% RH, non-condensing		
Storage humidity range	5% to 95% RH, non-condensing		
Safety approvals	Designed to EN 61010-1:2010		
EMC approvals	CE: Tested to EN61326-1:2006. FCC: Tested to part 15 subpart B		
Environmental approvals	RoHS and WEEE compliant		
Software/PC requirements	PicoScope 6, SDK and example programs. Microsoft Windows XP, Vista or Windows 7 (32-bit or 64-bit).		
Languages (software and manuals)	English, French, German, Italian, Spanish		
Languages (software only)	Chinese (Simplified), Chinese (Traditional), Czech, Danish, Dutch, Finnish, Greek,		
	Hungarian, Japanese, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Russian, Swedish, Turkish		



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Have you seen our PicoScope 4000 Series data sheet?

It shows the full range of features available with the PicoScope software, which turns your PicoScope 4262 into a powerful oscilloscope and spectrum analyzer. All of these capabilities are included in the price of your oscilloscope.



The front panel of the PicoScope 4262 has two BNC input channels and a BNC output for the function generator and AWG.



The rear panel of the PicoScope 4262 has two connections: a USB port for connection to the PC, and a BNC for an external trigger to be connected.

Your PP799 PicoScope 4262 product pack contains the following items:

- 2 x MI007 probes
- PicoScope 4262
- USB cable
- Quick Start Guide
- Software and Reference CD



Ordering Information

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