

# GETTING STARTED

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# CHAPTER 1

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# Introduction

## The Purpose of this Manual

This manual shows how to select and install analog input and analog output modules. It also shows several ways to use the analog data in a PLC program. If you understand the DL205 instruction set and system setup requirements, this manual will provide the information needed to install and use the analog modules. This manual is not intended to be a tutorial on analog signal theory, but rather a user reference manual for the DL205 Analog I/O modules.

## Supplemental Manuals

A copy of the DL205 User Manual (D2-USER-M) will be helpful when working with the analog modules. The DL205 User Manual is not absolutely necessary, but it does provide detailed descriptions of the instructions used to acquire the analog data. The User Manual also provides a more thorough description of how the I/O points are assigned to the module. This is all the material necessary to quickly understand the DL205 Analog I/O modules.

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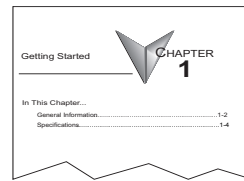


When the “exclamation mark” icon is in the left-hand margin, the paragraph to its immediate right will be a warning. This information could prevent injury, loss of property, or even death (in extreme cases).

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### Key Topics for Each Chapter

The beginning of each chapter will list the key topics that can be found in that chapter.

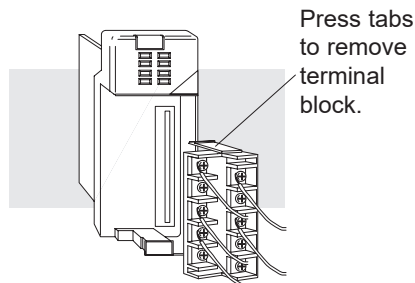


## Physical Characteristics

The DL205 Analog Modules provide many features that make the modules easy to use. With the exception of the thermocouple module, the terminal blocks are removable, which makes wiring a simple task. All of the DL205 analog modules have normal screw terminal connectors. Access the module terminals by removing the front cover (not shown). To remove the front cover, press the tab on the lower front corner of the cover. For ease of removal, the terminal blocks have squeeze tabs on the top and bottom. To remove a terminal block, press the tabs and pull the terminal block away from the module.



**WARNING:** For some modules, field device power may still be present on the terminal block even though the PLC system is turned off. To minimize the risk of electrical shock, check all field device power before you remove the connector.



# Analog Input Module Terminology

Several different terms are used throughout the rest of this manual. The terms may be helpful to make it easier to select the appropriate analog modules. Take a few minutes to review these definitions.

**Channels per Module** - The total number of analog signals the module receives from field devices.

**Input Ranges** - The minimum to maximum spans in voltage or current the module will successfully convert to digital values.

**Resolution** - The number of binary weighted bits available on the digital side of the module for use in converting the analog value to a digital value.

**Input Type** - Specifies if the module accepts single ended, or differential input signals.

**Input Impedance** - The resistive load of the module as seen by a voltage or current input signal.

**Conversion Method** - The method the module uses to convert the analog signal to a digital value.

**PLC Update Rate** - Speed at which the analog signals are digitized and acknowledged in the PLC.

**Linearity Error** - The relative accuracy of the digital representation over the entire input range.

**Maximum Inaccuracy** - Maximum absolute error of the digital representation of the signal over the entire input range. Factors which contribute to maximum inaccuracy are also specified separately. These factors are full-scale calibration error, offset calibration error, and accuracy vs. temperature.

**Accuracy vs. Temperature** - The variations in the module's conversion accuracy with temperature over the module's operating temperature range.

**I/O Points Required** - The number of I/O points the CPU must dedicate to the module.

**External Power Source** - Some modules require a separate 12VDC or 24VDC power source. The 24VDC output supply at the local base can be used as long as you do not exceed the current ratings of 300mA.

**Base Power Required** - The amount of base current required by the module. Use this value in your power budget calculations.

**Operating Temperature** - The minimum and maximum temperatures the module will operate within.

**Relative Temperature** - The minimum and maximum humidity the module will operate within.

**Step Response** - The time required for an analog input to reach 95% of its final value at the converter following a step change in the input signal level.

## Analog Output Module Terminology

**Channels per Module** - The total number of analog signals the module sends to field devices.

**Output Ranges** - The minimum to maximum spans in voltage or current the module outputs, converted from digital values.

**Resolution** - The number of binary weighted bits available on the digital side of the module for use in converting the digital value to an analog signal.

**Output Current** - The maximum current the module will drive using a voltage output signal.

**Output Impedance** - The output impedance of the module using a voltage output signal.

**Load Impedance** - The minimum and maximum resistance the module can drive, specified for current and voltage output signals.

**PLC Update Rate** - The speed at which digital values in the PLC are converted to analog output signals.

**Linearity Error** - The relative accuracy of the digital representation over the entire output range.

**Maximum Inaccuracy** - Maximum absolute error of the digital representation of the signal over the entire output range. Factors which contribute to maximum inaccuracy are also specified separately. These factors are full-scale calibration error, offset calibration error, and accuracy vs temperature.

**Accuracy vs. Temperature** - The variations in the module's conversion accuracy with temperature over the module's operating temperature range.

**External Power** - All output modules contain circuitry which is optically isolated from PLC-side logic. That circuitry requires field-side power from a separate 24VDC power source. The 24VDC output supply at the local base can be used as long as you do not exceed the current ratings.

**Base Power Required** - The amount of base current required by the module. Use this value in your power budget calculations.

**Operating Temperature** - The minimum and maximum temperatures the module will operate within.

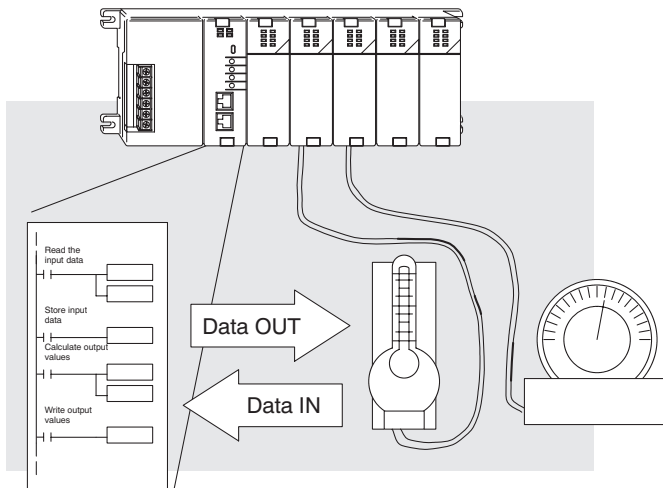
**Relative Humidity** - The range of air humidity over which the module will operate properly.

**I/O Points Required** - The number of I/O points the CPU must dedicate to the module.

# Selecting the Appropriate Module

## Wide Variety of Modules

There are a wide variety of analog I/O modules available for use with the DL205 family of automation products. These modules are well suited for monitoring and controlling various types of analog signals such as pressure, temperature, etc. No complex programming or module setup software is required. Simply install the module, add a few lines to the RLL program. That's all.



Analog input, temperature input and analog output modules are available. These modules are designed and manufactured by FACTS Engineering. FACTS has been producing feature-packed products for the DirectLOGIC families (and compatible products) for years! These modules are readily identifiable by their F2- prefix in the part number.

## Diagnostic Features

The DL205 Analog Modules use an on-board microcontroller that automatically monitors module diagnostics. Missing field-side supply 24VDC voltage or a loose terminal block can be easily detected.

The following tables provide a condensed version of the information needed to select the appropriate module. The most important thing is to simply determine the number of channels required and the signal ranges that must be supported. Once the parameters have been determined, look in the specific chapter for the selected module to determine the installation and operation requirements.

Analog Input Modules				
Specification	F2-04AD-1, (L)	F2-04AD-2, (L)	F2-08AD-1	F2-08AD-2
<b>Channels</b>	4	4	8	8
<b>Input Ranges</b>	4–20 mA	0–5 V, 0–10 V, ±5V, ±10V	4–20 mA	0–5 V, 0–10 V, ±5V, ±10V
<b>Resolution</b>	12 bit (1 in 4096)	12 bit (1 in 4096), and 13 bit (1 in 8192)	12 bit (1 in 4096)	12 bit (1 in 4096), and 13 bit (1 in 8192)
<b>Input Type</b>	Single ended	Single ended	Single ended	Single ended
<b>Maximum Inaccuracy</b>	±0.5% at 25°C (77°F), ±0.65% at 0°–60°C (32°–140°F)	±0.1% at 25°C (77°F), ±0.3% at 0°–60°C (32°–140°F)	±0.1% at 25°C (77°F), ±0.25% at 0°–60°C (32°–140°F)	±0.1% at 25°C (77°F), ±0.3% at 0°–60°C (32°–140°F)
<b>See Chapter...</b>	2	3	4	5

Special Input		
Specification	F2-04RTD	F2-04THM
<b>Input Channels</b>	4	4
<b>Resolution</b>	16 bit internal	16 bit voltage ranges 24 bit internal
<b>Input Ranges</b>	Pt100Ω, -200.0–850.0 °C (-328–1562 °F) Pt1000Ω, -200.0–595.0 °C (-328–1103 °F) Pt100Ω, -38.0–450.0 °C (-36–842 °F) Cu. 25Ω, Cu. 10Ω -200.0–260.0 °C (-328–500 °F)	Type J -190–760.0 °C E -210–1000.0 °C K -150–1372.0 °C R 65–1768.0 °C R Wide -0–1768.0 °C S 65–1768.0 °C T -230–400.0 °C B 529–1820.0 °C N -70–1300.0 °C C 65–2320.0 °C
<b>Input Type</b>	Differential	Differential
<b>Maximum Input Inaccuracy</b>	±1.0 °C	±3.0 °C Temperature ±0.02% Voltage
<b>See Chapter...</b>	6	7

Analog Output		
Specification	F2-02DA-1, (L)	F2-02DA-2, (L)
<b>Channels</b>	2	2
<b>Output Ranges</b>	4–20 mA	0–5 V, 0–10 V, ±5V, ±10V
<b>Resolution</b>	12 bit (1 in 4096)	12 bit (1 in 4096)
<b>Output Type</b>	Single ended	Single ended
<b>See Chapter...</b>	8	9

Analog Output		
Specification	F2-08DA-1	F2-08DA-2
<b>Channels</b>	8	8
<b>Output Ranges</b>	4–20 mA	0–5 V, 0–10 V
<b>Resolution</b>	12 bit (1 in 4096)	16 bit (1 in 4096)
<b>Output Type</b>	Single ended	Single ended, 1 common
<b>See Chapter...</b>	10	11

Analog Output		
Specification	F2-02DAS-1	F2-02DAS-2
<b>Channels</b>	2	2
<b>Output Ranges</b>	4–20 mA	0–5 V, 0–10 V
<b>Resolution</b>	16 bit (1 in 65536)	16 bit (1 in 65536)
<b>Output Type</b>	Current sourcing	Isolated
<b>See Chapter...</b>	12	13

Combination Analog			
Specification	F2-4AD2DA	F2-8AD4DA-1	F2-8AD4DA-2
<b>Input Channels</b>	4	8	8
<b>Output Channels</b>	2	4	4
<b>Input Ranges</b>	4–20 mA	0–20 mA	0–5 V, 0–10 V
<b>Output Ranges</b>	4–20 mA	4–20 mA	0–5 V, 0–10 V
<b>Resolution</b>	12 bit (1 in 4096)	12-bit, 14 bit or 16 bit; selectable	12-bit, 14 bit or 16 bit; selectable
<b>Channel Isolation</b>	Non-isolated (one common)	Isolated (one common)	Isolated (one common)
<b>Input and Output Types</b>	Single ended	Single ended	Single ended
<b>Maximum Input Inaccuracy</b>	±0.3% at 25°C (77°F), ±0.45% at 0°–60°C (32°–140°F)	±0.1% of range maximum	±0.1% of range maximum
<b>Maximum Output Inaccuracy</b>	±0.1% at 25°C (77°F), ±0.3% at 0°–60°C (32°–140°F)	±0.1% of range maximum	±0.1% of range maximum
<b>See Chapter</b>	14	15	16



# Analog Made Easy – Four Steps

Once the appropriate module has been selected, use the chapter that describes that module and complete the following steps.

## Step 1.

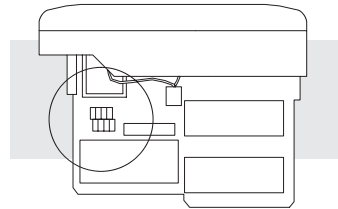
Take a moment to review the detailed specifications to be sure the module chosen will meet the application requirements.

Specification		
Channels	2	2
Output Ranges	4 ~ 20 mA 0 ~ 5V 0 ~ 10V -5 ~ +5V -10 ~ +10V	
Resolution	12 bit (1 in 4096)	12 bit (1 in 4096)
Channel Isolation	Non-isolated	Non-isolated
Output Type	Single ended	Single ended
Maximum Inaccuracy at 25 °C (77 °F)	± 0.1%	± 0.2% unipolar ± 0.4% bipolar
at 0° ~ 25°C (32° ~ 140°F)	± 0.2%	
See Chapter . . . .	4	5

## Step 2.

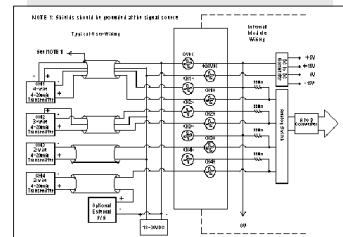
If applicable, set the module switches and/or jumpers to select:

- Number of channels
- The operating ranges.



## Step 3.

Connect the field wiring to the module connector.



## Step 4.

Review the module operating characteristics and write the control program.

