



Analog Discovery Studio: A portable circuits laboratory for every student

What is the Analog Discovery Studio?

The Analog Discovery Studio is a fully functional, portable test and measurement device that can turn any cross-functional space into a pop-up electronics laboratory. Equipped with 13 instruments, including an Oscilloscope, Logic Analyzer, Spectrum Analyzer, Waveform Generator, and more; the Analog Discovery Studio provides an entire stack of bench-top instruments with a convenient, replaceable, and breadboardable interface, perfect for enabling student learning anywhere!

With lab spaces decreasing and student enrollment increasing, many institutions are choosing studio learning as a supplement to traditional laboratories, creating a need for a portable test and measurement bench that can support all types of circuits projects. With an Analog Discovery Studio, students can continue their hands-on learning in the library, office hours, a tutoring center, a classroom, or even in a coffee shop.

The Analog Discovery Studio supports hands-on learning for any student, and is available with free Mac, Linux, and Windows compatible software, WaveForms.



What is WaveForms?

WaveForms is the free software application for the Analog Discovery Studio and enables use of the available analog and digital instruments. The software has been refined by customer feedback for over 10 years and features a computer and laptop friendly user interface that has the feel of traditional benchtop software. The Analog Discovery Studio communicates with WaveForms via a USB connection to your computer, allowing users to capture, record, analyze, and generate mixed signal and mixed domain waveforms. WaveForms can be downloaded and installed in under 60 seconds and can be tested without hardware using its demo mode feature. In addition to the use of instruments in the application, WaveForms has a script editor tool, which allows custom scripting of the instrument in JavaScript.

Operating system compatibility

WaveForms is designed to be run on a laptop or desktop computer and is Mac, Windows, and Linux compatible.

Features:

Analog Inputs:

- Used in the Oscilloscope, Network Analyzer, Spectrum Analyzer, Voltmeter, Impedance Analyzer, and Data Logger
- Two analog input channels, accessible through BNC or MTE connectors
- Channel type: differential (with MTE) or single-ended (with BNC)
- Analog bandwidth with BNC cables: 30+ MHz @ 3dB
- Analog bandwidth with MTE flywires: 9 MHz
 @ 3dB
- Input range ±25 V (±50 V diff)
- Input protected to ±50 V
- 14-bit resolution
- Operate at 100 MS/s

Digital Inputs and Outputs:

- Used in the Logic Analyzer, Pattern Generator, Protocol Analyzer, and Digital I/O
- Channels: 16
- Input logic standard: LVCMOS (1.8/3.3V, 5V tolerant)
- Output logic standard: LVCMOS (3.3V, 12mA)

Analog Outputs:

- Used in the Waveform Generator and Network Analyzer
- Two arbitrary waveform generator channels, accessible through BNC or MTE connectors
- AC amplitude (max): ±5 V
- Analog bandwidth (BNC or MTE connectors: 8 MHz @ 3dB)
- Operate at 100 MS/s

Power Supplies:

- 12 volt supply: 12V ±5%; 0.2 Amps max
- -12 volt supply: -12V ±5%, 0.2 Amps max
- 5 volt supply: 5.0V ±5%; 1.0 Amps max
- 3.3 volt supply: 3.3V ±5%; 1.0 Amps max
- V+ and V- rails: 1V to 5V (V+), and -1V to -5V (V-)
 - Maximum power output: 2.1W for each supply
 - Maximum current output: 700mA for each supply.

Software Compatibility:

- Along with the stable WaveForms application, the Analog Discovery Studio is also a programmable USB oscilloscope and logic analyzer. For more advanced users who require building applications or automated test, WaveForms Software Development Kit (SDK) is also provided. The WaveForms SDK provides libraries and examples for creating custom application in Python, C++, C#, and Visual Basic.
- Additional 3rd party toolbox support, examples, and documentation is available for MATLAB and LabVIEW from MathWorks and National Instruments, respectively. Perfect for comparing simulation and actual results.
- More information on specific operating system and programming language details can be found on the WaveForms resource center. Questions about compatibility and operating systems should be directed to the Digilent Forum.









Physical Design:

The Analog Discovery Studio is designed to be a compact alternative to a stack of benchtop equipment. Its durable enclosure measures 1.25 x 9.25 x 7.5 inches and fits on a bench, desktop, or backpack. Students can access the Oscilloscope and Waveform Generators via breadboardable MTE cables, or industry standard BNC cables, and the Logic Analyzer, Pattern Generator, and Triggers can be accessed via MTE cables.

Circuits or designs can be built on the included, magnetically connected Breadboard Canvas and conveniently swapped out or removed for transit, making the transition from working in the lab to working at home as seamless as possible. The Breadboard Canvas also includes power supply outputs controlled by physical switches, common I/O built-in, and a large breadboardable surface. The Breadboard Canvas and the cost-optimized Blank Canvas can be purchased separately in the event that an extra is needed, or if the breadboards wear out.

The Analog Discovery 2 is an alternative option to the Analog Discovery Studio if a pocket-sized or USB-powered device is needed.



What's Included:	 Analog Discovery Studio (410-384): Analog Discovery Studio Breadboard Canvas 15 V 2.4A power supply USB A to B cable A set of Analog Discovery Studio MTE Cables 	 Analog Discovery Studio Bundle contents (471-031): Analog Discovery Studio Breadboard Canvas 15 V 2.4A power supply USB A to B cable A set of Analog Discovery Studio MTE Cables Two BNC to mini-grabber cables A set of two BNC to oscilloscope probes
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