

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



16-bit

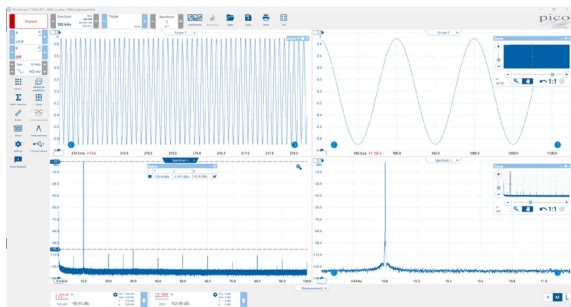
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PicoScope 4262 Oscilloscope

Introduction to the PicoScope 4262

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

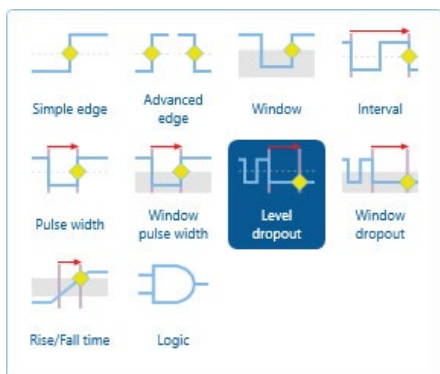
The PicoScope 4262 is a full-featured oscilloscope, with a function generator and arbitrary waveform generator that includes a sweep function to enable frequency response analysis. It also offers mask limit testing, math and reference channels, advanced digital triggering, serial decoding, automatic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

Digital triggering

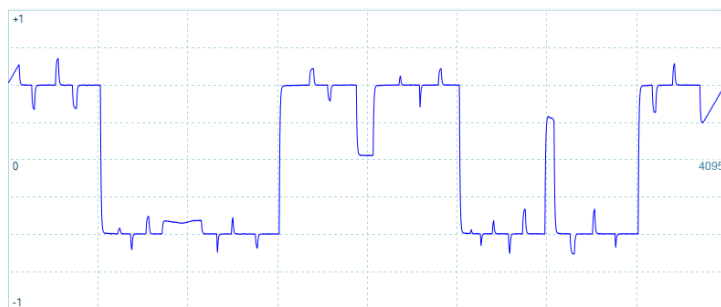
Digital triggering reduces trigger errors and allows our oscilloscopes to trigger on the smallest signals, even at the full bandwidth. Trigger levels and hysteresis can be set with great precision and resolution.

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.

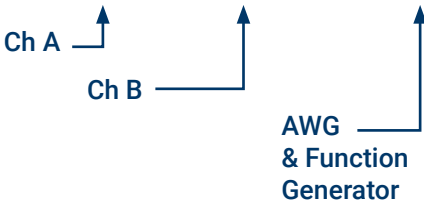
PicoScope 4262 Specifications

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 M Ω $\pm 2\%$ 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)	$\pm 0.25\%$ ($\pm 0.5\%$ on ± 50 mV range, $\pm 1\%$ on ± 20 mV range, $\pm 2\%$ on ± 10 mV range)
Overvoltage protection	± 50 V (DC + AC Peak)
HORIZONTAL	
Maximum sampling rate (real-time)	10 MS/s (1 or 2 channels in use)
Maximum sampling rate (USB streaming)	10 MS/s using PicoScope. 10 MS/s (1 channel in use), 6.7 MS/s (2 channels in use) using supplied PicoSDK®.
Buffer memory	16 MS
Waveform buffer (no. of segments)	40 000 (PicoScope), 32 768 (PicoSDK)
Timebase ranges	1 ns/div to 5000 s/div
Timebase accuracy	± 50 ppm
Sample jitter	< 10 ps RMS
ADC sampling	Simultaneous sampling on all enabled channels
DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE (typical)	
Crosstalk	> 50 000:1
Total harmonic distortion	-95 dB typical at 10 kHz, -1 dBfs input
SFDR	96 dB typical at 10 kHz, -1 dBfs input
Pulse response	<1% overshoot all ranges
Bandwidth flatness	+0.25 dB to -3 dB, DC to full bandwidth
Noise	8.5 μ V RMS (on most sensitive range)
TRIGGERS (CHANNELS A & B)	
Trigger modes	None, Auto, Normal, Single, Rapid (segmented memory)
Trigger types	Simple edge, Advanced edge, Window, Interval, Pulse width, Window pulse width, Level dropout, Window dropout, Runt, Rise/Fall time, Logic
Trigger level	Adjustable over whole of selected voltage range
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 μ s on fastest timebase
EXT TRIGGER	
Trigger types	Edge, pulse width, dropout, interval, logic, delayed
Input characteristics	Rear panel BNC, 1 M Ω $\pm 2\%$ 15 pF ± 2 pF
Threshold range	± 5 V and ± 500 mV, DC coupled
Sensitivity	25 mV p-p at 1 MHz, typical
DC accuracy	$\pm 1\%$
Bandwidth	5 MHz
Overvoltage protection	± 50 V
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 in powers of 2
MATH CHANNELS	
Functions	-x, x+y, x-y, x*y, x/y, x^y, sqrt, exp, ln, log, abs, norm, sign, sin, cos, tan, arcsin, arccos, arctan, sinh, cosh, tanh, delay, average, frequency, derivative, integral, min, max, peak, duty, high pass, low pass, band pass, band stop, top, base, amplitude, positive overshoot, negative overshoot, phase, delay, moving, deskew, true power, apparent power, reactive power, power factor, area AC, positive area AC, negative area AC, abs area AC, area DC, positive area DC, negative area DC, abs area DC
Operands	A to B (input channels), T (time), reference waveforms, pi, constants

Specifications Continued...

SERIAL DECODING	
Protocols	1-Wire, ARINC 429, CAN, DALI, DCC, DMX512, Extended UART, I2C, LIN, Manchester, MIL-STD-1553, MODBUS ASCII, MODBUS RTU, NMEA-0183, PMBus, PS/2, PSI5 (Sensor), Quadrature, RS232/UART, SBS Data, SENT Fast, SENT Slow, SENT SPC, SMBus, SPI-SDIO, USB (1.0/1.1), Wind Sensor
MASK LIMIT TESTING	
Statistics	Pass/fail, failure count, total count
DISPLAY	
Modes	Scope, Spectrum, XY, Persistence
Output files formats and functions	File types: csv, mat, pdf, png, psdata, pssettings, txt Output functions: Copy to clipboard, print
SIGNAL GENERATOR	
Standard output signals	Sine wave, Square wave, Triangle wave, Ramp up, Ramp down, sin (x)/x, Gaussian, Half sine, White noise, PRBS, DC voltage, arbitrary waveform generator (AWG)
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	
Scope mode	Minimum, Base, Negative overshoot, Maximum, Top, Positive overshoot, Peak to peak, Amplitude, Mean, RMS, RMS ripple, Frequency, Cycle time, Negative duty cycle, Positive duty cycle, Edge count, Rising edge count, Falling edge count, High pulse width, Low pulse width, Rise time, Fall time, Rising rate, Falling rate, Phase, Delay, True power, Apparent power, Reactive power, Power factor, DC Power, Crest Factor, Area at AC, +Area at AC, -Area at AC, Abs Area at AC, Area at DC, +Area at DC, -Area at DC, Abs Area at DC
Spectrum mode	Amplitude at Peak, Frequency at Peak, IMD, SNR, SINAD, SFDR, THD (%), THD (dB), THD + Noise, Total power
Statistics	Minimum, maximum, average, standard deviation
GENERAL	
PC connectivity	USB 2.0 (USB 1.1 compatible)
Power requirements	Powered from USB port
Dimensions	210 x 135 x 40 mm (including connectors)
Weight	< 0.5 kg
Temperature range	Operating: 0 to 45 °C (20 to 30 °C for stated accuracy). Storage: -20 to +60 °C.
Humidity range	Operating: 5 to 80 %RH, non-condensing. Storage: 5 to 95 %RH, non-condensing.
Safety approvals	Designed to EN 61010-1
Compliance	RoHS, REACH and WEEE compliant. CE: Tested to EN 61326
SOFTWARE	
Windows software (64-bit)	See www.picotech.com/downloads PicoScope 7, PicoLog 6, PicoSDK (Users writing their own apps can find example programs for all platforms on the Pico Technology organization page on GitHub).
macOS software (64-bit)	PicoScope 7, PicoLog 6 and PicoSDK
Linux software (64-bit)	PicoScope 7 software and drivers, PicoLog 6 (including drivers). See Linux Software and Drivers to install drivers only
Raspberry Pi 4B and 5 (32-bit Raspberry Pi OS)	PicoLog 6 (including drivers). See Linux Software and Drivers to install drivers only
Languages (PicoScope)	English-US, English-UK, Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, German, Greek, Spanish, French, Korean, Croatian, Italian, Hungarian, Netherlands Dutch, Japanese, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese-Brazil, Portuguese, Romanian, Russian, Slovene, Serbian, Finnish, Swedish, Turkish, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese
Languages (PicoLog6)	Simplified Chinese, Dutch, English (UK), English (US), French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Russian, Spanish

PicoScope 4262 Connections



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-C® to USB-B (2.0) cable, 1.2 m
- USB-A to USB-B (2.0) cable, 1.8 m
- Quick Start Guide



Ordering information

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