

DAC - Analog outputs

SD004 | Posted on April 2, 2021 | Updated on July 24, 2025



Benoît STEINMANN

Software Team Leader

imperix • in

Table of Contents

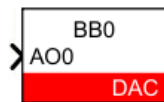
- [Simulink block](#)
 - [Signal specification](#)
 - [Standard parameters](#)
- [PLECS block](#)
 - [Signal specification](#)
 - [Standard parameters](#)
- [C++ functions](#)

The DAC block applies a given value to one of the four analog outputs of the B-Box RCP. The corresponding hardware specifications are available in the [B-Box datasheet](#).

Simulink block

Signal specification

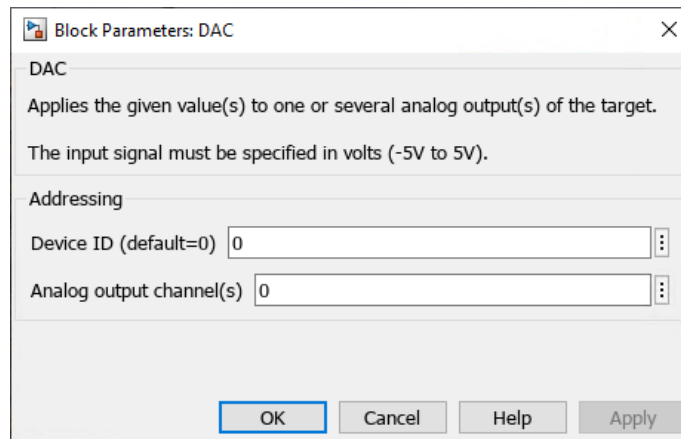
The input signal is the value to apply to the analog output specified in volts (-5V to 5V). The output is saturated beyond these limits.



The B-Board PRO possesses no onboard DAC. However, the carrier board that is part of the [Evaluation Kit](#) embeds the necessary chip, so that four analog outputs are also available.

Standard parameters

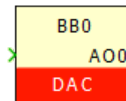
- Device ID selects which B-Box/B-Board to address when used in a multi-device configuration.
- Analog output channel(s) (vectorizable) selects a physical analog output channel (0 to 3)



PLECS block

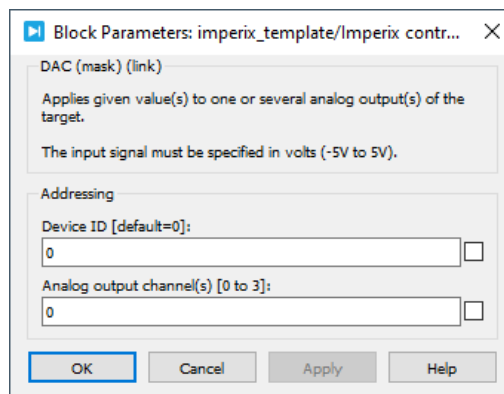
Signal specification

The input signal is the value to apply to the analog output specified in volts (-5V to 5V). The output is saturated beyond these limits.



Standard parameters

- Device ID selects which B-Box/B-Board to address when used in a multi-device configuration.
- Analog output channel(s) (vectorizable) selects a physical analog output channel(s) (0 to 3).



C++ functions

Dac_SetVoltage — Set analog output voltage

```
void Dac_SetVoltage(unsigned int output, float voltage, unsigned int device=0);
```

Code language: C++ (cpp)

Sets the value of an analog output in volts.

Parameters

- output: the analog output channel (0 to 3)
- voltage: the value to output in volts (-5V to 5V, saturated if over- / under-voltage)
- device: the id of the B-Box/B-Board to address (optional, used in multi-device configuration only)

Dac_SetValue — Set analog output value

```
void Dac_SetValue(unsigned int output, unsigned int value, unsigned int device=0);
```

Code language: C++ (cpp)

Sets the value of an analog output using a raw 16-bit value.

value=0 → output = -5V, value=65535 → output = 5V

Parameters

- output: the analog output channel (0 to 3)
- value: the raw 16-bit value, saturated if overflow
- device: the id of the B-Box/B-Board to address (optional, used in multi-device configuration only)