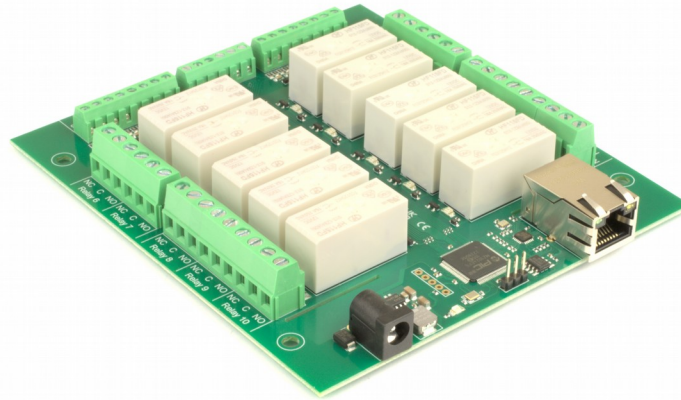# ETH1610 - 10 Relays at 16A, 16 Analogue Inputs
Technical Documentation

Overview

The ETH1610 provides 10 volt free contact relay outputs with a current rating of up to 16Amp each and 16 analogue inputs. The module is powered from a 12vdc supply which can be regulated or unregulated. The DC input jack is 2.1mm with positive core polarity, DC supplies are required to supply at least 1A at 12vdc. The relays are SPCO (Single Pole Change Over) types. The normally open, normally closed and common pins are all available on the screw terminals. The relays on the ETH1610 can be controlled from the inputs on the ETH484 or another ETH1610. This offers the opportunity to construct a system where an input can control an output anywhere on the earth provided both locations are connected to the network/internet.
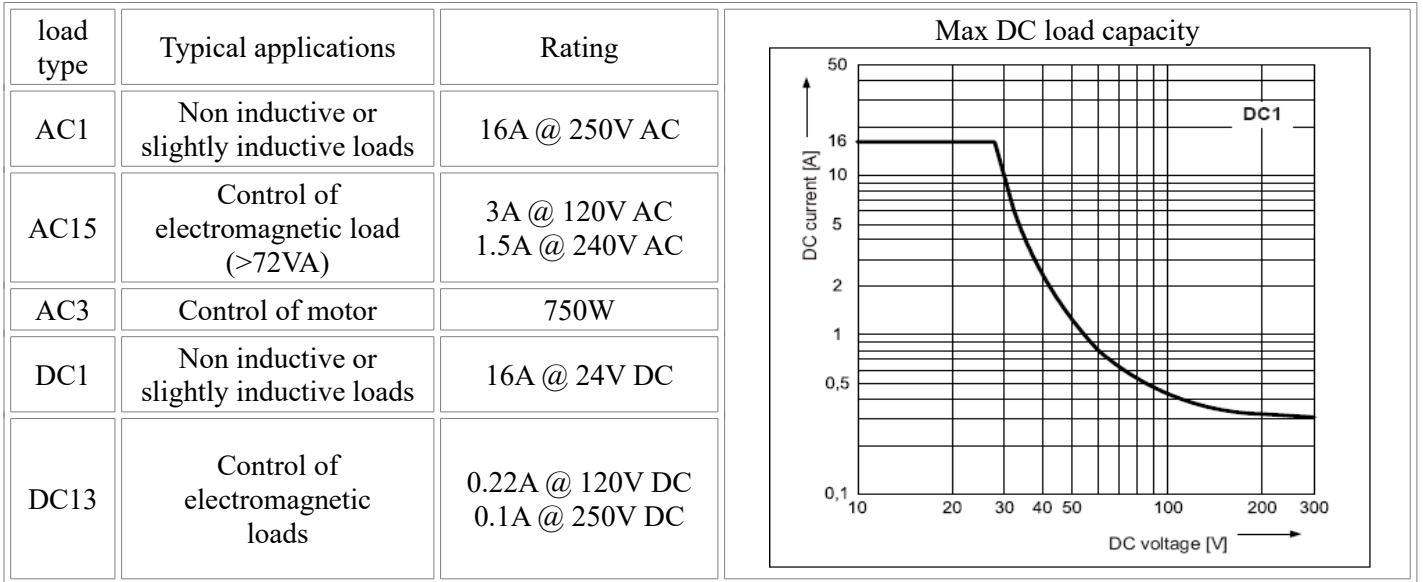
Operating temperature

-40C to +70C

LED indication

The ETH1610 provides a red LED mounted immediately next to each relay to indicate whether it is in a powered state (LED on), there is also two LED's mounted in the Ethernet connector which will flash with Ethernet traffic. Finally there is a green power LED just above the processor.

Relay power rating

If the contact load voltage and current of the relay are in the region enclosed by the solid and dotted lines in the figure below, the relay can perform stable switching operation. If the relay is used at a voltage or current exceeding this region, the life of the contacts may be significantly shortened.

load type	Typical applications	Rating	Max DC load capacity
AC1	Non inductive or slightly inductive loads	16A @ 250V AC	
AC15	Control of electromagnetic load (>72VA)	3A @ 120V AC 1.5A @ 240V AC	
AC3	Control of motor	750W	
DC1	Non inductive or slightly inductive loads	16A @ 24V DC	
DC13	Control of electromagnetic loads	0.22A @ 120V DC 0.1A @ 250V DC	

A full datasheet for the relays used on the ETH1610 is here: HF115FD datasheet

Power relays

Four 16A volt free contact relays are provided for switching a common input between a normally closed output and a normally open output. The relay coil is powered by the 12vdc incoming supply on user command.

Relay in passive state

Coil   C

          NC   NO
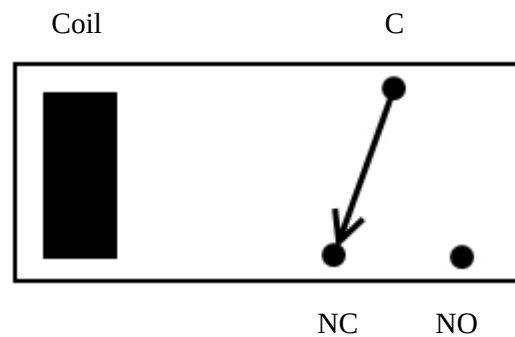
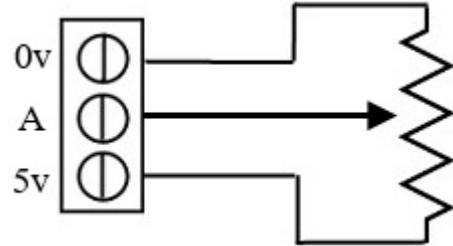Relay in powered state

Coil   C

          NC   NO
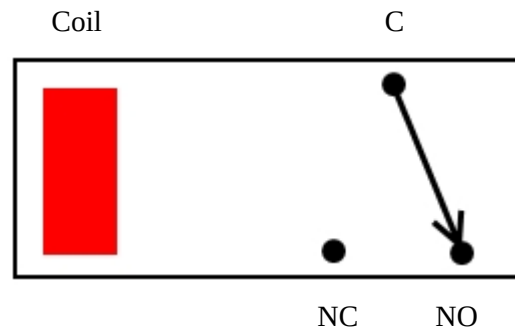
Analogue Inputs

Sixteen (16) analogue inputs of 0v-5V at 10-bit resolution are provided. The conversion is performed when you send the "Get Analogue Voltage" command 0x32 and the channel number. The resulting 16 bit integer will be transmitted back in two bytes (high byte first), combine these for the result. The 10-bit conversion will be in the lower 10 bits of the 16 bit integer with the upper 6 bits being 0. There is a 5v supply available on the 3-pin terminal block between the analogue inputs .
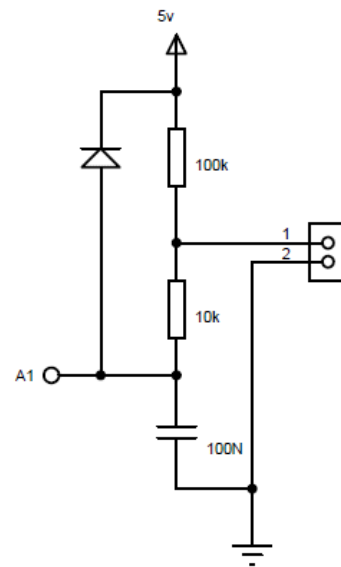
Examples
Example input - connecting a potentiometer   Connecting a potentiometer should be the simplest of tasks, either end of the pot should be wired to the 5v and 0v respectively, the output pin of the pot is then wired into the analogue (A) pin.
Representative Analogue Schematic

Network connection and Http access

IP Addresses & DHCP Servers

The easiest way to use the is to connect it to a network with a DHCP server. In this case the ETH1610 will have its IP address assigned automatically by the DHCP server.

If there is no DHCP server on the network, then a fixed IP address of 192.168.0.200 is used. To control the ETH1610 using this fixed IP address your computer MUST be on the same subnet.
The next step is to set your computers IP address to 192.168.0.x where x is in the range of 1 to 255 but not 200 (the ETH1610 is there!) or any other used IP addresses on the network.
The subnet mask dictates what IP addresses the PC can communicate with, we set this to 255.255.255.0 so the PC can talk to any module with an IP address of 192.168.0.x

The default gateway is likely to be the IP address that the internet connection is located at and the DNS server can be either your router address or Google provide a DNS service at 8.8.8.8..
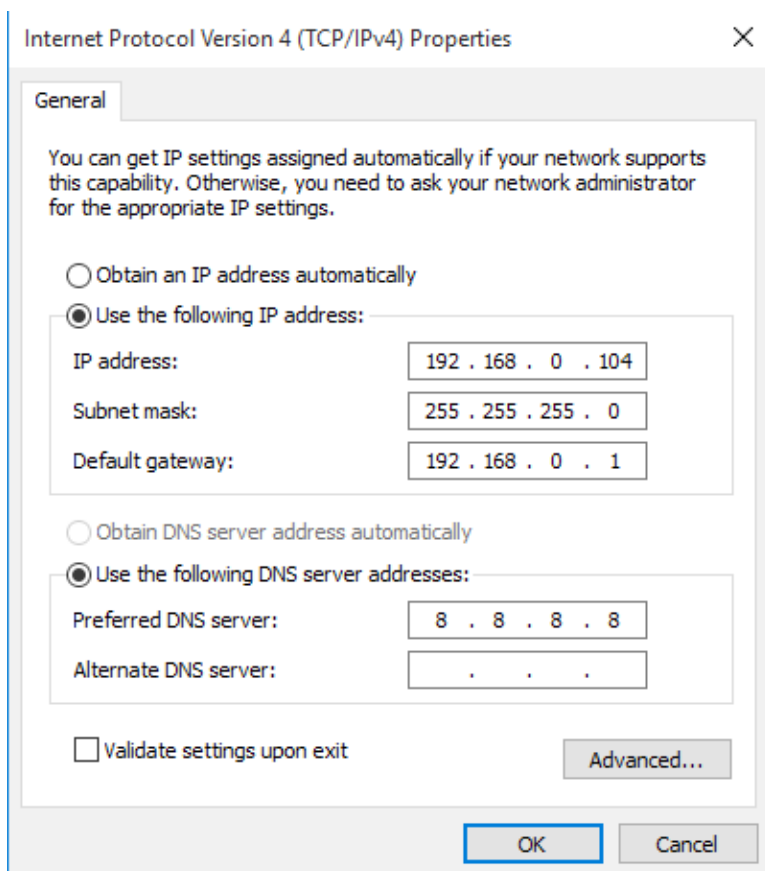
This image is for a PC running Windows 10.
To get to the TCP/IP properties screen, go to:
Control Panel->Network and Sharing Center->Local Area Connection->Properties.
Select Internet Protocol Version 4(TCP/IPv4) from the scroll box and click Properties.
That gets you to the dialog box shown left.

Accessing the ETH1610 from your browser

Having plugged in your 12vdc power supply and Ethernet connection the board will power up and request an IP address from the DHCP server, if no server is present then the board will default to IP address 192.168.0.200.

Now please start up your web browser and connect to the module.

Sign in

http://eth8020
Your connection to this site is not private

Username

Password

Sign in   Cancel

The default login is:
Username: admin
Password: password

The ability to change these settings is shown in the configuration section

You should now see the following web page:

ETH1610 Test Application

Below you will see the current status of the ETH1610 board. Click the bullets to toggle the relays states on the board.

The status is updated in real time. You will see this page automatically update when changing states with commands over TCP/IP.

Firmware V1   Module id 52   Technical Documentation
Hardware V1   Input voltage 12.3v   Configuration
                                                                          Mapped Inputs
                                                                                   Email
                                                                                    Mqtt

ADC1 1023   ADC2 1023   ADC3 1023   ADC4 1023
ADC5 1023   ADC6 1023   ADC7 1023   ADC8 1023
ADC9 1023   ADC10 1023   ADC11 1023   ADC12 1023
ADC13 1023   ADC14 1023   ADC15 1023   ADC16 1023

Relay states: (click to toggle)

● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●

10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

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This web page will allow you to switch the relays on and off by clicking the relay buttons (the red/gray circles). It also contains a links to this technical documentation page, the network configuration, mapped inputs, email and mqtt.

Configuration

By clicking the configuration link it's possible to configure the ETH1610 IP address and subnet mask together with the ability to set a password for entry to control screens.

Gateway address and DNS address is configurable and is used with mapped inputs which are described in section below. The configuration page also offers the option to set a password that will be required to change any of the relay states or digital outputs using TCP IP commands, this is explained in the TCP/IP password section.
All settings are saved to memory so be careful to remember the username and password! Default password settings are shown in the picture below. Latched outputs restores the relay states in the event of power loss.

Timezone selection and DST enable allow the email functionality to send mail with the correct time stamp.

Board Configuration

MAC Address	fc:0f:e7:ce:e0:66
Host Name	ETH1610
☑ HTTP authentication	
Username:	admin
Password:	password
Port	17494
☑ Enable DHCP	
IP Address	192.168.0.149
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Gateway address	192.168.0.1
DNS address	192.168.0.1
☐ TCP/IP Password	password
☐ Latched outputs	
Timezone	(GMT) Western Europe Time, London, Lisbon, Casablanca ⌄
☐ Enable DST	
Save Save + Reset	

Mapped inputs

Digital inputs are able to be configured to remotely control outputs on another ETH series module, this offers simple linking and versatile usage. An input in one country can control a output in another, or across a small network.
There are 16 independent inputs that can be mapped to 16 different relays (on the same or different boards).
The "Address of target board" field accepts an IP address or hostname (which will be converted to an IP address by the DNS server supplied in the board configuration above). If the module is on the local network then you can use the assigned IP address, if the target is over the internet then you need to supply the gateway in the configuration (internet source IP like your router) and the "Address of target board" is the IP address of the targets internet connection (to point at the router). Accessing the target via a router is dealt with in the section "**Access from the Internet**".

Input mapping configuration

You can map an input to switch a relay over on another board using the configuration below.

Input 1

☐ Enable Input
Address of target board   192.168.0.1
Port   17494
Output number   1
TCP Password: (if required)   password

| INP1 | INP2 | INP3 | INP4 | INP5 | INP6 | INP7 | INP8 | INP9 | INP10 | INP11 | INP12 | INP13 | INP14 | INP15 | INP16 | SAVE AND EXIT |

Email

Email is very easy to configure. The top section is the settings for the smtp email server that you wish to use, TLS or START TLS will be automatically switched on when port 587 or 465 is selected.

Messages can be sent on high transition of one of the 8 digital inputs, low transition or both.

Email configuration

Outgoing email server connection details:

Server name	smtp.myemailserver.com
Port	587
Username:	myemail@myemailserver.com
Password	password

Message setup

Input 1

Email sending		Disabled
Send to	Email address	someone@address.com
From	Name	Sent by
	Email address	from@me.com
Subject		Alarm status
Message for active transition		ALARM condition has been raised
Message for inactive transition		ALARM condition has been cancelled

INP1 INP2 INP3 INP4 INP5 INP6 INP7 INP8 SAVE AND EXIT

MQTT

Allows relays and outputs to be controlled from a MQTT broker
There are optional username and password fields depending on the broker settings. Port should be 1883 for no encryption or port 8883 for a TLS encrypted link (the ETH module will automatically use TLS for port 8883).

Power up message – publishes a message at power up containing the MAC address, IP address, software and hardware versions.

LWT – Last Will and Testament, the broker will publish the message after no contact for 5 minutes.

Heartbeat – Publishes an incremented count once a minute, giving the up time, count is reset on socket loss.

Subscribe state – Reads a message of "1" or "0" to control the output state

Subscribe pulse time – Reads a message of "1" to "255" and will pulse the relay on for that number of 100ms units

Publish – writes a message to the broker with a state of "1", "0" or the Analogue value (boards with analogue inputs only)

Mapping inputs to custom devices

Sometimes it is useful to have a message sent on input change without the need for polling, you can use the input mapping for sending messages to an IP address. The transactions are described below along with an example of the custom device needing a password of "apple" and setting output number 1 active:

- The ETH1610 sends a TCP packet with 0x79 (password entry) in the first byte, then the following bytes will be the password supplied above.
  So it would send 6 bytes: 0x79, 'a','p','p','l','e'

- To acknowledge a password match, respond with 1, else send 2
  You reply with 1 byte 0x01

- The ETH1610 sends then sends digital active (0x20) or digital inactive (0x21) followed by the output number
  So it would send 2 bytes 0x20, 0x01

- Reply with a 0 for success, else send 1
  You reply with 1 byte 0x00

Note that the complete sequence must be followed, even if the password fails. If no password is supplied in the input mapping configuration the sequence will be followed with the absence of 'a','p','p','l','e' bytes.

Input monitoring example and source code

We have an example of mapping the inputs to a PC, it operates on the default port of 17494, the default password of "password" (although both are easily changed in the source code) and requires the ETH1610 input mapping to be pointed at the host PC IP address. As it's having to constantly listen it's a multi thread program
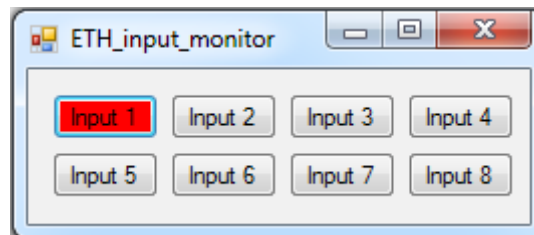
The input monitor program is available as Visual C# express ready built installation files here, or as project with source files here. Visual studio express is provided free from Microsoft: http://www.microsoft.com/exPress/download/

HTTP commands DOAx and DOIx

A customer requested feature, allowing the digital outputs to be switched by the Http get function such as used in some voice over ip phones (VOIP). You can use the Http get function to write to the io.cgi file with the following syntax:

> *192.168.0.200/io.cgi?DOA2=10*

This would use the default address (192.168.0.200) and make output 2 active for 1 second.

Another example would be to set output 1 inactive for 10 seconds:

> *192.168.0.200/io.cgi?DOI1=10*

If you wish to pass a username and password with the request you can do so like this (example uses default credentials):

> **admin:password@192.168.0.200/io.cgi?DOA1=10**

To set the relay with no timer (it will remain in state you can just pass a 0 value for the timer:

> **192.168.0.200/io.cgi?DOA1=0**

You can test these functions by typing them directly into the address bar of most internet browsers. Also be aware that you may need to disable Http authentication in the Http configuration if your control device does not support it.

TCP access and commands

The command set designed to provide consistent expansion and new features, they are sent over TCP/IP on port 17494 (0x4456). This is the default port, it can be changed in the configuration settings.

Five connections are allowed at any one time, these are independently protected but all using the same password as defined in the board configuration.

Command		Action
dec	hex	
16	0x10	Get Module Info - returns 3 bytes. Module Id (52 for ETH1610), Hardware version, Firmware version.
32	0x20	Digital Active - follow with 1-10 to set relay on, then a time for pulsed output from 1-255 (100ms resolution) or 0 for permanent Board will return 0 for success, 1 for failure
33	0x21	Digital Inactive - follow with 1-10 to turn relay off, then a time for pulsed output from 1-255 (100ms resolution) or 0 for permanent. Board will return 0 for success, 1 for failure
35	0x23	Digital Set Outputs - follow with 2 bytes, first byte will set relays 1-8, All on = 255 (0xFF), All off = 0, 2nd byte for relays 9-10. Board will return 0 for success, 1 for failure
36	0x24	Digital Get Outputs - returns 2 bytes, the first corresponds with relays 1-8, 2nd byte for relays 9-10
37	0x25	Digital Get Inputs - returns 2 bytes, bits correspond with the 16 digital inputs, a high bit meaning input is active (driven low)
38	0x26	Digital Active 1ms resolution - follow with 1-10 to set relay on, then a 16 bit time for pulsed output, high byte first. Board will return 0 for success, 1 for failure Example set relay 1 active for 30 seconds (30,000ms or 0x7530 hex): Send 0x26, 0x01, 0x75, 0x30 and receive 0x00 back
39	0x27	Digital Inactive 1ms resolution – Inactive equivalent (not powered relay) of above
50	0x32	Get Analogue Voltage - follow with 1-16 for channel and ETH1610 will respond with 2 bytes to form an integer (high byte 1st)
52	0x34	Get all Analogue Voltages – The ETH1610 will respond with all 16 inputs of ADC results, transmitted high and then low byte for each with input 1 transmitted first. A total of 32 bytes are sent.
58	0x3A	ASCII text commands - allows a text string to switch outputs, see section below
119	0x77	Get Serial Number - Returns the unique 6 byte MAC address of the module.
120	0x78	Get Volts - returns relay supply voltage as byte, 125 being 12.5V DC
121	0x79	Password Entry - see TCP/IP password, board will return 1 for success or 2 for failure
122	0x7A	Get Unlock Time - see section below
123	0x7B	Log Out - immediately re-enables TCP/IP password protection, board will return 0 for success

Digital Active/Inactive Commands

These are 3 byte commands, The first byte is the command, 32 (active means on) or 33 (inactive).

Second byte is the output number, 1-20 for the required relay.

Third byte is the on time. Send 0 for non pulsed mode, or 1-255 for a pulse in 100mS units (100mS to 25.5 seconds).
For example:

0x20 - turn the relay on command
0x03 - relay 3
0x32 (50) - 5 seconds (50 * 100ms)

Board will return 0 for success, 1 for failure.
Note - All bytes in a command must be sent in one TCP/IP packet.

Analogue input read

Eight analogue inputs of 0v-5v at 10-bit resolution are provided, the conversion is performed when you send the "Get Analogue Voltage" command 0x32 and the channel number.
The resulting 16 bit integer will be transmitted back in two bytes (high byte first), combine these for the result. The 10-bit conversion will be in the lower 10 bits of the 16 bit integer with the upper 6 bits being 0

TCP/IP Password

If this option is enabled in the Http configuration page then a password will be required to be entered before relay states can be changed. In the following example the password was set to "apple":

0x79 - 1st byte in frame sent to ETH1610 to indicate password entry
'a' (0x61) - 2nd byte in frame (ASCII hex equivalent in brackets http://www.asciitable.com/)
'p' (0x70) - 3rd byte in frame
'p' (0x70) - 4th byte in frame
'l' (0x6C) - 5th byte in frame
'e' (0x65) - 6th byte in frame

These 6 bytes are then transmitted in the same transaction to the ETH1610 and if the password is correct then 1 will transmitted back, a failure will send 2.
The board will now accept changes from the device that entered the password. If communication becomes idle for more than 30 seconds then the password protection is re-enabled. There is also a log-out command of 0x7B to enable the protection immediately.

Get Unlock Time

Returns TCP/IP password protection status:
0 - password protection is enabled and password entry is required before changes can be made
1-30 - seconds until TCP/IP password protection is re-enabled. All authorised commands set the timer back to 30 seconds (including this one).
255 - TCP/IP password is not enabled.

ASCII text commands

The string for activating output1 for 5 seconds is formatted using comma separated variables with the following syntax:

":DOA,1,50,password"

To break this down ":" (0x3A) at the start of the string indicates that there is an ASCII message to follow, "DOA" is digital output active, "1" is the output number, then "50" for 5 seconds (50 * 100ms) and finally the TCP password (if applicable). If I wanted to make output 2 inactive for 3 seconds I would use:

":DOI,2,30,password"

To break this down ":" (0x3A) at the start of the string indicates that there is an ASCII message to follow, "DOI" is digital output inactive, "2" is the output number, then "30" for 3 seconds (30 * 100ms) and finally the TCP password (if applicable). Assuming no password is used the previous command would simply be:

":DOI,2,30 "

Passing a time of 0 will result in the relay state change being a permanent change (until next command).

Access from the Internet

The ETH1610 can be controlled over the internet almost as easily as on your local network. Your network will most likely be connected to the internet with a broadband router. This will provide NAT (Network Address Translation) and Firewall services. To access the ETH1610 from the internet you will need to open up port 17494 (0x4456) to allow incoming TCP connections. Be careful not to open up any other ports. There are a wide variety of routers and we cannot give details for all of them. If in doubt ask your system administrator for assistance. The following shows how to open up a port on a Netgear DG834 router.

Add Services

Service Definition
Name: ETH8020   ×
Type: TCP
Start Port: 17494
Finish Port: 17494

Apply   Cancel

After logging on to your routers setup page, the first thing to do is create a new service. Click on the "Services" menu then "Add Custom Service". Enter a name for the service, select TCP and enter the ETH1610's port address for both the start and finish ports. Click "Apply".
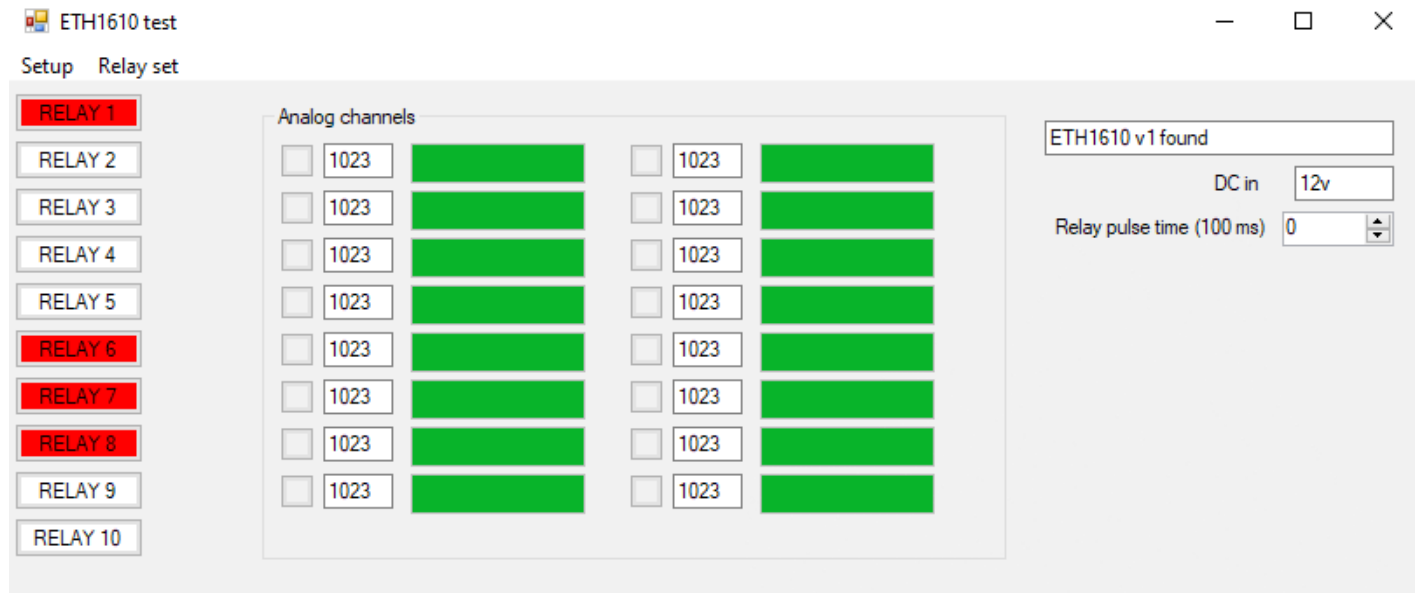
Inbound Services

Service   ETH8020(TCP:17497)
Action   ALLOW always
Send to LAN Server   192 . 168 . 0 . 97
WAN Users   Any
              start: . . .
              finish: . . .
Log   Always

Apply   Cancel

Now go to the "Firewall Rules" menu and click "Add" in the Inbound services section. Select the ETH1610 service and ALLOW always. The "Send to LAN Server" IP address is the ETH1610's IP address, 192.168.0.97 in the example above but check what it is on your network. Click "Apply" and that's it. The ETH1610 is now accessible over the internet. Before you close the routers setup pages, go to the "Router Status" menu and make a note of its ADSL port IP address. This is the routers internet facing IP address.

TCP Test program and example source code

To get the ETH1610 running in the minimum amount of time we have an example program with full C# source code.

Visual studio express is provided free from Microsoft: http://www.microsoft.com/exPress/download/

The test program is able to control an ETH1610 on the local network or over the internet using your router port forwarding, an example of the setup procedure is described on the page above. To point the example program at your router go to menu Setup, Set Comport and click "Custom IP", then enter the Router IP and desired port.

Android & iPhone Apps

We have a free app IO network available for Android and iPhone to remotely control your relays, download from Google Play or iTunes. Search for "Devantech" and you will find the app.
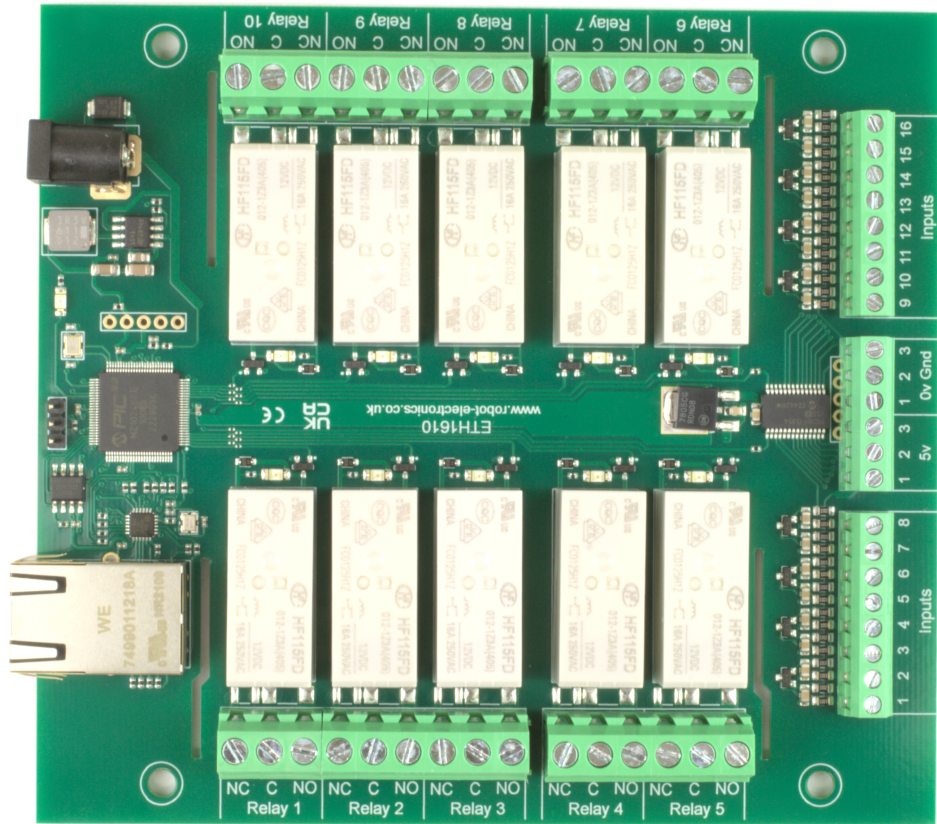
Connections

16A VFC (Volt Free Contacts) NC = normally connected, C = common, NO = normally open

12v dc output
Direct from 2.1mm
jack

Factory reset
Top pair - run
Bottom pair - reset
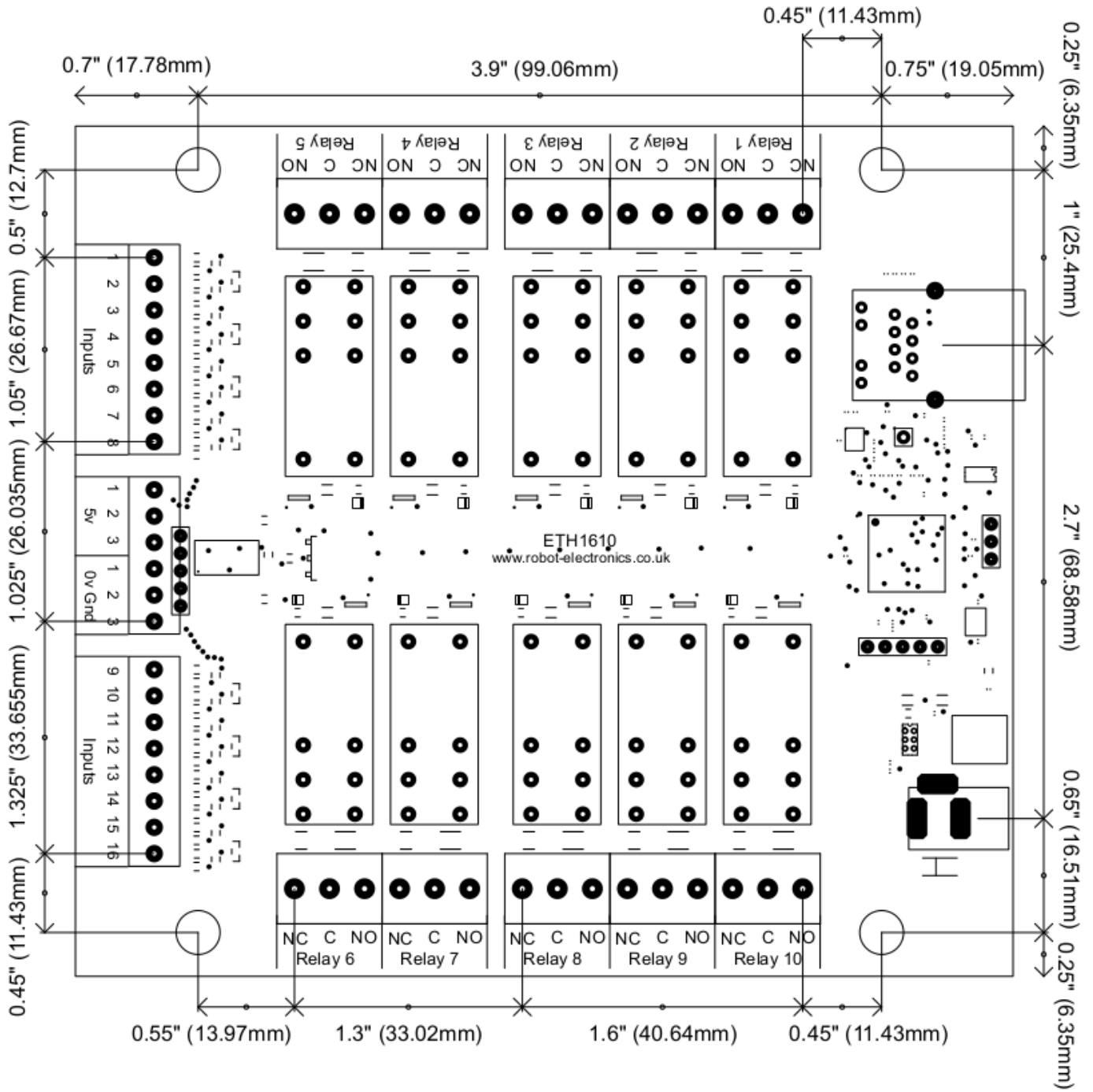Read at power up

RJ45 Ethernet

5vAnalogue
inputs

16A VFC (Volt Free Contacts) NC = normally connected, C = common, NO = normally open
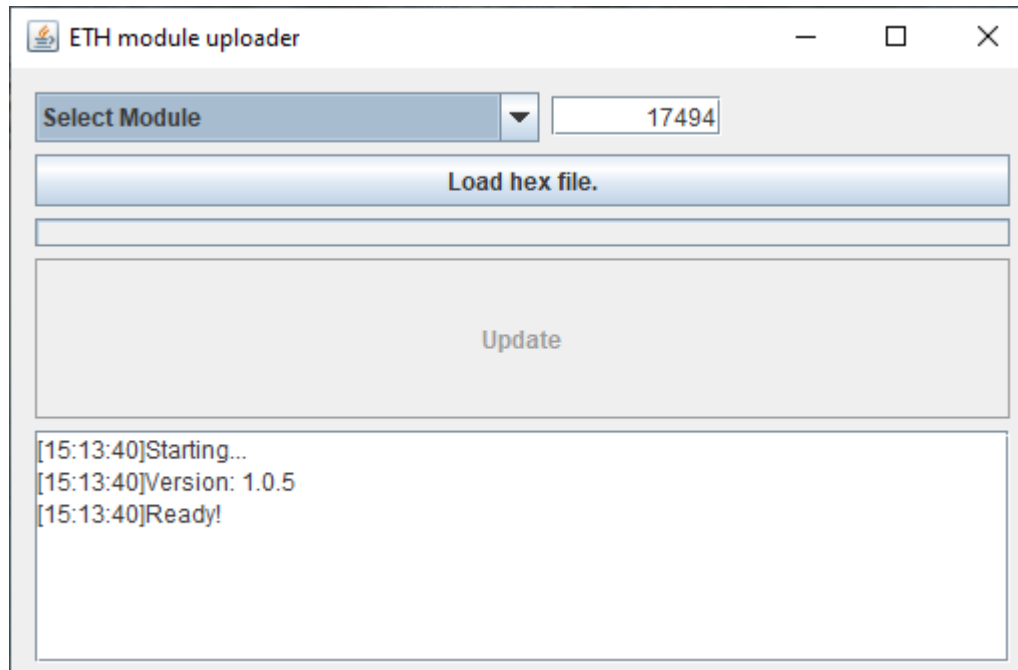
Board dimensions

Software updates

With our [software update tool](#) you can upgrade the firmware to get the latest features

Latest firmware

[V4](#) – Fixed bug in MQTT configuration not saving pulse subscriptions, fixed io mapping enable checkbox