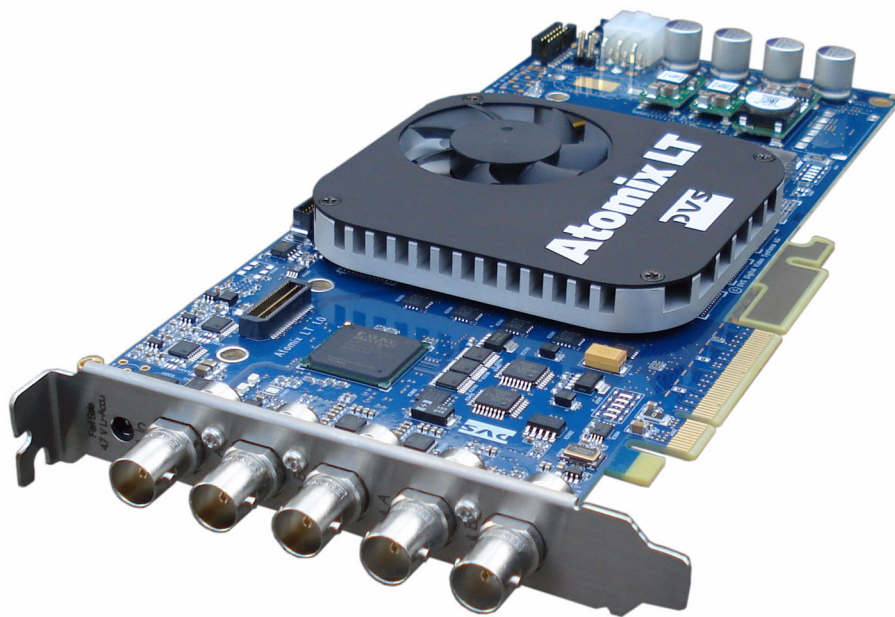




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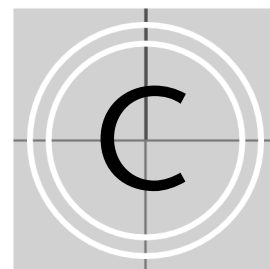
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Operating System: _____ Version: _____

Connected devices

(Brand and type of edit controller, VTR, color grading system, etc.)

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Introduction

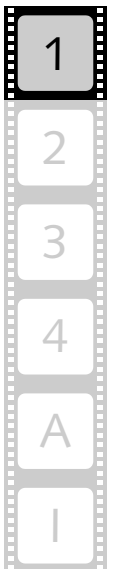


This documentation describes Atomix LT, a high-end uncompressed video and audio I/O hardware manufactured by DVS.

Atomix LT is centered around the Atomix LT board, a 2/3-length PCIe bus single board for the real-time input and output of uncompressed video and audio signals. All major video and film formats are supported from SD video up to 4K film via SDI I/O, supplemented by up to 16 channels audio either over AES/EBU or embedded in the video stream. With the help of the DVS software development kit (SDK) you can build your own powerful video and film solutions, for example, for HDTV post production or broadcast applications.

Key Features

- Capture and play-out of uncompressed video via two 3-Gbit/s SDI ports
- Two independent video channels with independent input and outputs
- Up-/downscaler for format adjustments
- 1D LUT for range and gamma changes
- Low latency between input and output
- 16 embedded and 16 AES/EBU audio channels
- LTC input and output
- 2 × RS-422 for remote control
- Watchdog to switch SDI input to output in case of failure
- Drivers and SDK for Windows, Linux and Mac OS
- Sophisticated SDK, compatible among DVS video boards
- Highly skilled and qualified support, from developers for developers
- Optional breakout box with
 - 2 × RS-422
 - Analog audio output
 - AES/EBU audio
 - LTC input and output



1.1 Overview

This guide informs you about the installation of Atomix LT as well as all connection possibilities. Furthermore, it provides information about the setting of license keys, the upgrade of the firmware, the testing of the installation, and of maintenance work that you may perform on your own.

In detail the chapters contain the following information:

Chapter 1	Begins with a short introduction to Atomix LT, followed by a note regarding the audience this manual is written for and an explanation of the conventions used in this manual. Beside the system requirements necessary to run Atomix LT, it provides safety instructions that you must adhere to and some important notes that you should read.
Chapter 2	Gives an overview of Atomix LT as a video board product and describes shortly its individual components. Furthermore, the items, switches and connectors of the Atomix LT board and its additional panels are detailed in this chapter.
Chapter 3	Describes the installation of Atomix LT. First the hardware installation is explained, followed by some hardware related settings and upgrades to be effected with the software.
Chapter 4	Details service and maintenance work in case of a firmware upgrade failure.
Appendix	Provides technical details and general information about Atomix LT. This chapter also contains a short reference to the items available on the Atomix LT board.
Index	This chapter facilitates the search for specific terms.

1.2 Target Group

To use this manual you should have experience installing hardware components in a computer system and be familiar with the hardware structure and interior of such a system. Additionally, you should have knowledge in the field of digital video in general and be used to operate with computer software.

1.3 Conventions Used in this User Guide

The following typographical conventions will be used in this documentation:

- Texts preceded by this symbol describe activities that you must perform in the order indicated.
- Texts preceded by this symbol are parts of a list.



Texts preceded by this symbol are general notes intended to facilitate work and help avoid errors.



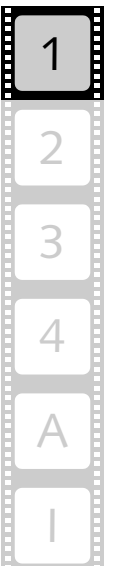
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" " Texts enclosed by quotation marks are references to other manuals, guides, chapters, or sections.

<i>Directory/File</i>	Directory structure or file
Command	Indicates a command (e.g. at a command line), a syntax or contents of a file/output
[Key]	A key on a keyboard



1.4 Safety Instructions

To use Atomix LT correctly please heed the following:



Please read the following safety instructions carefully before attempting any installation and/or performing any work on Atomix LT.

If Atomix LT is not used in compliance with the safety instructions, the warranty and all resulting liability claims will be void.

General

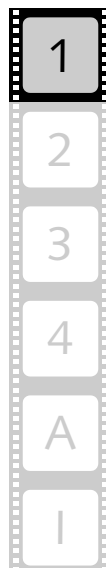
Atomix LT has been built according to the applying safety regulations. To minimize the possibility of a faulty operation of the device all manuals and guides must be available at all times at the operation site. Before installing and/or using Atomix LT the manuals and guides delivered with Atomix LT must be read and observed.

- Use Atomix LT only in apparent good technical order.
- The system you are trying to install Atomix LT in works with voltages that can be hazardous to your health. Never work on the system or access its interior with the power cable(s) being plugged in. Make sure the power supply is disconnected from the components you intend to work on.
- Computer hardware contains components that are sensitive to electrostatic discharge. If you touch them without precautionary measures, they can be destroyed. Use a wrist strap connected to ground when accessing electronic parts and take care of grounding the system. Avoid touching the internal components of the computer system and Atomix LT whenever possible.
- Computer hardware contains components that are sensitive to changing voltages. Connecting or disconnecting Atomix LT to or from peripheral hardware while any of them is switched on may damage the hardware. Switch off all peripheral hardware before connecting or disconnecting anything.
- Use, store and transport the board only in compliance with the technical data laid out in section “Technical Data” on page A-1.
- Atomix LT may not be misused, abused, physically damaged, neglected, exposed to fire, water or excessive changes in the climate or temperature, or operated outside maximum rating.
- Do not perform any changes or extensions to Atomix LT whatsoever.

Environmental Conditions

For error-free working and a long service life, Atomix LT needs some basic environmental conditions:

- Do not expose Atomix LT to sources of heat, such as direct sunlight or a radiator.
- The chassis of the computer system where the Atomix LT board is installed must be equipped with a sufficient ventilation for cooling reasons.
- Avoid areas with high humidity or dust. Best operating conditions are given in an air-conditioned site.
- Do not expose Atomix LT to strong electric or magnetic fields.
- Avoid areas where Atomix LT will be subject to vibrations or shocks.



1.5 Important Notes

The following provides information about warranty and the conformity of the product. Furthermore, it includes an important note if you want to unplug cables and some information about optionally available breakout boxes.

Warranty Information

This product is warranted to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for a period of one year from the date of purchase. DVS extends this Limited Warranty to the original purchaser.

In the event of a defect or failure to confirm to this Limited Warranty, DVS will repair or replace the product without charge. In order to make a claim under this Limited Warranty, the purchaser must notify DVS or their representative in writing of the product failure. In this Limited Warranty the customer must upon DVS's request return the product to the place of purchase or send the defective device to a given address for the necessary repairs to be performed. If the customer is not satisfied with the repair, DVS will have the option to either attempt a further repair, exchange the product or refund the purchase price.

This warranty does not cover:

- Products not developed by DVS Digital Video Systems AG.
- Products not used in compliance with the safety instructions detailed in section "Safety Instructions" on page 1-4.
- Products on which warranty stickers or product serial numbers have been removed, altered or rendered illegible.
- The costs of installations, removals, transportations, or reinstallations.
- Costs for transportation damages.
- Damages caused to any other item.
- Any special, indirect or consequential damages, and damages resulting from loss of use, data or profits, or business interruption.

Declaration of Conformity



This product has been tested according to the applying national and international directives and regulations. Further information about this can be found in section "Conformity Declarations" on page A-8.

Unplugging Cables

If you want to unplug one of the flat cables after its installation on the board, please observe the following:

Flat cable connectors are equipped with a locking mechanism to prevent them from becoming disconnected after they were plugged in.



Don't use any force to disconnect flat cable plugs, otherwise the socket on the board may be damaged or even break off.

To unplug the connector use your index finger and thumb to press the locking wings together.

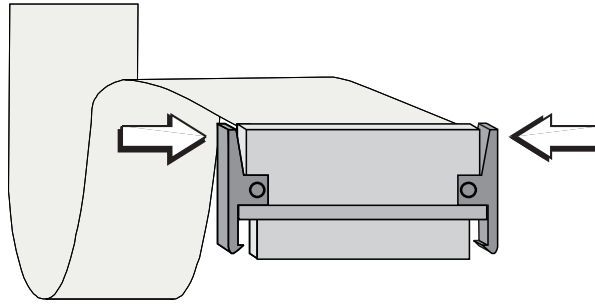


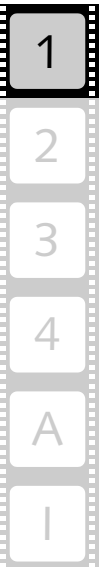
Figure 1-1: Unplugging flat cables

Then you can easily remove the connector.

Breakout Boxes

There are several breakout boxes optionally available for Atomix LT to replace the breakout cables and reduce the amount of panels. You can adapt the overall configuration to your personal needs. To connect to some of the breakout boxes an interface slot panel may be required which will be included in the delivery.

For more information about the different types of breakout boxes available for Atomix LT please contact your local vendor or DVS directly.



1.6 System Requirements

Required Hardware

These are the minimum hardware requirements that the computer system has to meet if you want to use Atomix LT.

- Pentium 4 or similar with at least 2.2 GHz
- Mainboard with PCIe bus providing 8 lanes (x4 elect.) or more
- 1 free slot in a bus-master capable PCI segment supporting PCIe
- 1024 MB RAM

Supported Operating Systems

Atomix LT can be used with the following operating systems:

- Windows XP, Vista or 7
- Linux (Red Hat and Fedora)
- Mac OS X



Be sure that you have installed the newest Service Packs for your system, otherwise you may encounter soft- and/or hardware problems.

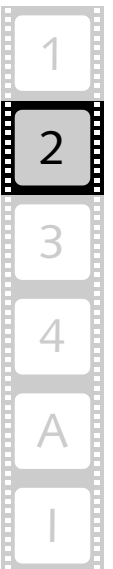
Required Software

Atomix LT needs the DVS video board driver. Furthermore, to be programmed for applications the SDK by DVS is necessary. Both software items should be included in your delivery. They are also available online on the DVS web site after registering/logging in to access restricted information (<http://www.dvs.de/products/video-boards/atomix-lt.html>).

Overview



This chapter shows an overview of Atomix LT thereby detailing all items, switches and connectors of the Atomix LT board and its additional panels. First the components of the DVS video board product as it is delivered to you are described shortly. Afterwards an overview of the Atomix LT board is provided. The chapter will be concluded with a detailed overview of the slot panels that may have been delivered to you.



2.1 Overview of the Video Board Product

Atomix LT as a video board product consists of various individual components that combined will give you the opportunity to develop your own real-time video and film solutions. The following diagram shows the different components included in the delivery of Atomix LT:

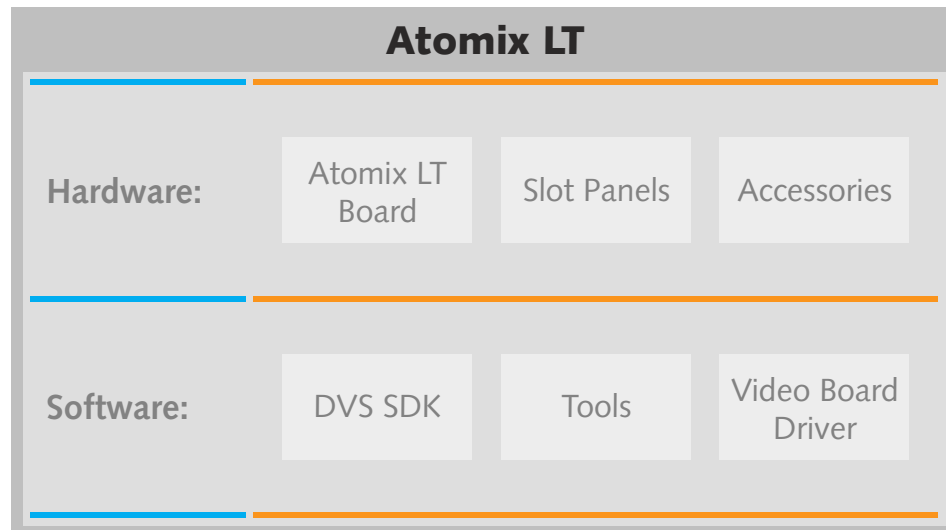


Figure 2-1: Atomix LT overview

The components of Atomix LT can be divided into hardware and software components:

To the hardware components belong the items described in this installation guide. Atomix LT is centered around the Atomix LT board, a 2/3-length PCIe bus single board for the real-time input and output of uncompressed video and audio signals. All major video and film formats are supported from SD video up to 4K film via SDI I/O, supplemented by up to 16 channels audio either over AES/EBU or embedded in the video stream. To use all the features of Atomix LT several slot panels may have been included in your delivery as well as other accessories such as breakout cables. All these items and their installation will be described in this manual.

Among the software components you can find the DVS software development kit (DVS SDK) which can be used to build editing and storage solutions with Atomix LT. The DVS SDK is compatible among the video board products by DVS meaning your code can be used with other DVS video boards as well. Several tools for hardware setup and diagnostics complement the SDK. To run properly the video board driver has to be loaded prior to using Atomix LT which can be done with the tools for the hardware setup. The video board driver controls the Atomix LT board and thus the in- and output of signals. The DVS SDK as well as all other software components are described in the separate SDK documentation.

2.2 Overview of the Board

The PCI video board delivered with Atomix LT is a complex piece of technology. This section provides an overview of the Atomix LT board including a detailed description of the items, switches and connectors present on the PCI video board.

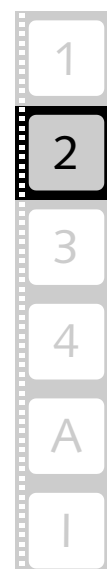
2.2.1 Overview of the Component Side

The following provides an overview of the component side of the Atomix LT board, describing all items, switches and connectors on this side of the board.



The items on the Atomix LT board which are not described in the following are either used during the manufacturing process only or reserved for future use.

For a concise overview of the PCI video board see section “Short Reference: Atomix LT Board” on page A-10.



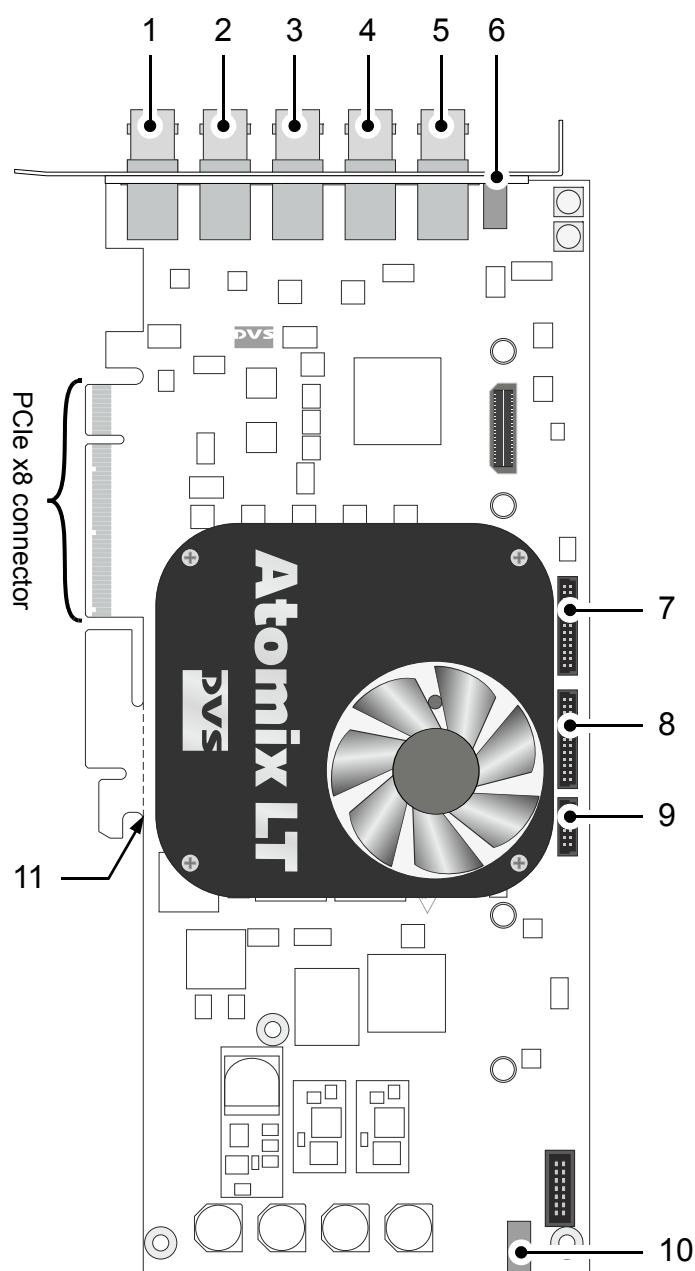
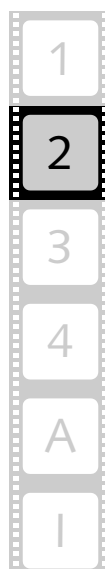


Figure 2-2: Overview of the items and connectors on the Atomix LT board

No.	Item	Explanation
1	SDI Out B	BNC connector for an output of digital video signals (serial digital interface, port B); usually used for an output of the second video channel in single-link (YUV) or dual-link modes (3-Gbit/s SDI); can also be used for the first video channel for the second dual-link stream of YUVA or RGB[A]

No.	Item	Explanation
2	SDI Out A	BNC connector for an output of digital video signals (serial digital interface, port A); usually used for an output of the first video channel in single-link (YUV) or dual-link modes (either 3-Gbit/s SDI or first dual-link stream of YUVA or RGB[A])
3	SDI In B	BNC connector for an input of digital video signals (serial digital interface, port B); usually used for an input of the second video channel in single-link (YUV) or dual-link modes (3-Gbit/s SDI); can also be used for the first video channel for the second dual-link stream of YUVA or RGB[A]
4	SDI In A	BNC connector for an input of digital video signals (serial digital interface, port A); usually used for an input of the first video channel in single-link (YUV) or dual-link modes (either 3-Gbit/s SDI or first dual-link stream of YUVA or RGB[A])
5	Ref In	BNC connector for the reference input
6	Fail Safe 0	See Fail Safe 1
7	AUDIO 1-8/LTC	Flat cable connector for analog audio, the digital audio channels 1 to 8 and LTC
8	AUDIO 9-16	Flat cable connector for the digital audio channels 9 to 16
9	RS-422 A/B	Flat cable connector for an in- and output of RS-422 signals (main remote ports)
10	Fail Safe 1	For a bypass of the SDI input signals to the SDI outputs in case of power loss connect to either this connector or Fail Safe 0 a rechargeable battery (accu, see section "Technical Data" on page A-1)
11	breaking line	The printed circuit board provides at its bottom an extension void of any electrical parts; it may serve to stabilize the installation of the board in a computer system; when not needed or interfering, you can carefully break it off the circuit board at the breaking line



2.2.2 Overview of the Soldering Side

This section shows the operation items located at the soldering side of the PCI video board. They can be found at the top left of the soldering side:

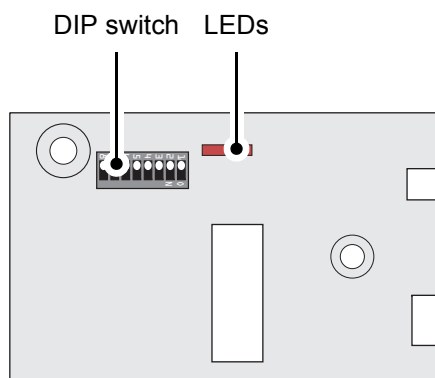




Figure 2-3: Items on the Atomix LT board's soldering side

Item	Explanation
DIP switch for Flash controller	<p>Controls the operation of the on-board Flash controller. It determines whether the main or the fallback map will be loaded at startup (see also chapter "Maintenance" on page 4-1).</p> <div data-bbox="703 1191 788 1393" data-label="Image">  </div> <p>Default/factory setting of the DIP switch for the Flash controller (main map). Please observe the orientation of the switch on the board.</p> <div data-bbox="719 1435 820 1527" data-label="Image">  </div> <p>For normal operations the default setting has to be used.</p>
LEDs	<p>Indicate that the programmable chips (FPGAs) are programmed. If both are illuminated, the firmware is programmed and the board will operate properly. If even one is extinguished, you have to perform a firmware programming/update (see section "Upgrading the Firmware" on page 3-14).</p>

2.2.3 Digital Video I/Os of the Atomix LT Board

This section contains some information about the digital video in- and outputs of Atomix LT.

DVS usually names the input/output channels (connectors/ports) of the digital video signals alphabetically: the main video stream is then available, for instance, on port A and the secondary video stream on port B. For YUV you will normally use one link (connectors named 'A', single link). For YUVA you will need two links ('A' for YUV and 'B' for the key signal). With RGB you will always need two links ('A' and 'B', dual link). The same applies to transmitting rasters of a higher resolution such as 2K.

However, because Atomix LT provides two independent video channels (different video rasters and color modes), the secondary B ports can also be used for the second video channel. Then by default YUV can be transmitted independently. By changing the speed of the ports to 3-Gbit/s SDI dual-link connections can be realized. They provide all the features of a standard dual-link connection, but require only one connector instead of two.

The following tables show the signal distribution over the I/O ports for the different video rasters (color modes) when either one or two video channels are configured for the board:

Table 2-1: SDI signal distribution, 1 video channel (SDTV and 1.5-Gbit/s SDI)

Video Mode	SDI In		SDI Out	
	A (Ch. 1)	B (Ch. 1)	A (Ch. 1)	B (Ch. 1)
YC _b C _r 4:2:2	Y, C _b , C _r	–	Y, C _b , C _r	–
YC _b C _r A 4:2:2:4	Y, C _b , C _r	A (key)	Y, C _b , C _r	A (key)
YC _b C _r 4:4:4	Y, ½ C _b , ½ C _r	½ C _b , ½ C _r	Y, ½ C _b , ½ C _r	½ C _b , ½ C _r
YC _b C _r A 4:4:4:4	Y, ½ C _b , ½ C _r	½ C _b , ½ C _r , A (key)	Y, ½ C _b , ½ C _r	½ C _b , ½ C _r , A (key)
RGB 4:4:4	G, ½ R, ½ B	½ R, ½ B	G, ½ R, ½ B	½ R, ½ B
RGBA 4:4:4:4	G, ½ R, ½ B	½ R, ½ B, A (key)	G, ½ R, ½ B	½ R, ½ B, A (key)

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Table 2-2: SDI signal distribution, 2 video channels (3-Gbit/s SDI)

Video Mode	SDI In		SDI Out	
	A (Ch. 1)	B (Ch. 2)	A (Ch. 1)	B (Ch. 2)
YC _b C _r 4:2:2 ¹	Y, C _b , C _r	Y, C _b , C _r	Y, C _b , C _r	Y, C _b , C _r
YC _b C _r A 4:2:2:4 ²	Y, C _b , C _r , A (key)	Y, C _b , C _r , A (key)	Y, C _b , C _r , A (key)	Y, C _b , C _r , A (key)
YC _b C _r 4:4:4 ²	Y, C _b , C _r	Y, C _b , C _r	Y, C _b , C _r	Y, C _b , C _r
YC _b C _r A 4:4:4:4 ²	Y, C _b , C _r , A (key)	Y, C _b , C _r , A (key)	Y, C _b , C _r , A (key)	Y, C _b , C _r , A (key)
RGB 4:4:4 ²	R, G, B	R, G, B	R, G, B	R, G, B
RGBA 4:4:4:4 ²	R, G, B, A (key)	R, G, B, A (key)	R, G, B, A (key)	R, G, B, A (key)

1) Can also be used with SDTV and 1.5-Gbit/s SDI.

2) Not available for SD video rasters. For this you have to use SDTV and 1.5-Gbit/s SDI.

Mixed operations between the two tables are possible with the limitation that as soon as you set up two physical links for dual link, only one video channel will be available.

2.3 Overview of the Panels

To provide all the connection possibilities of the board at a computer casing, several panels may have been delivered with the board. This section provides an overview of the panels available for Atomix LT.



Please note that the panels are optionally available and will be part of your delivery only if you have ordered them.

2.3.1 Note About the Audio Setup

Atomix LT provides up to 16 channels digital audio (AES/EBU). With this up to two panels for audio can be delivered with the Atomix LT:

- One that has to be connected to the AUDIO 1-8/LTC connector on the Atomix LT board (in this guide referred to as 'audio panel #1').
- One that has to be connected to the AUDIO 9-16 connector on the Atomix LT board (referred to as 'audio panel #2').

There are two types of panels for audio available:

- One with analog and digital audio connections (called 'audio panel', see section "Audio Panel" on page 2-11).
- One with digital audio plus RS-422 connection (called 'audio and RS-422 panel', see section "Audio and RS-422 Panel" on page 2-10).

The following tables show the possible combinations of the two types of panels and their recommended installations:

Delivered Panels	Install as...
1 × audio panel	audio panel #1 (AUDIO 1-8/LTC)
1 × audio panel	audio panel #2 (AUDIO 9-16)

Delivered Panels	Install as...
1 × audio panel	audio panel #1 (AUDIO 1-8/LTC)
1 × audio and RS-422 panel	audio panel #2 (AUDIO 9-16)

When only one panel for audio has been delivered to you, it should always be set up as audio panel #1 (i.e. connected to AUDIO 1-8/LTC).



2.3.2 Audio and RS-422 Panel

The audio and RS-422 panel provides a DB-25 connector for digital audio (AES/EBU) and LTC signals as well as a DB-9 connector for a standard RS-422 connection for remote control.

To the DB-25 connector you can connect a breakout cable providing eight XLR connectors to interface directly with audio devices. The pin-out of the RS-422 port can be switched between master and slave mode in the software. Pin-outs of the DB-9 and DB-25 connectors can be found in section “Signal In- and Outputs” on page A-5.

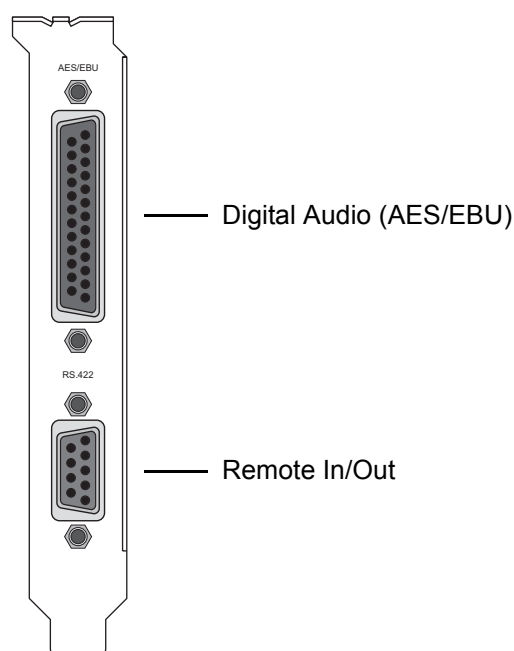


Figure 2-4: Panel with audio and remote control connections

Item	Explanation
Digital Audio (AES/EBU)	DB-25 connector (female) for audio and LTC in- and output; provides either four stereo channels digital audio (channels 1 to 8) or three channels audio plus LTC; alternatively it can be used to provide the digital audio channels 9 to 16
Remote In/Out	DB-9 connector (female), serial RS-422 interface for master or slave control



In a setup that contains this panel as well as one of the audio panels described in section “Audio Panel” on page 2-11, it is recommended to install it as audio panel #2 (see section “Note About the Audio Setup” on page 2-9).

Prior to the installation of the panel you have to set/check the jumpers on the printed circuit boards for the appropriate settings (see section “Jumper Settings of the Audio and RS-422 Panel” on page 3-3).

2.3.3 Audio Panel

Up to two audio panels can be included in your Atomix LT delivery (see section “Note About the Audio Setup” on page 2-9). They provide each a DB-25 connector for digital audio (AES/EBU). One of the panels provides also an analog stereo headphone output and can be configured to transmit LTC signals.

To the DB-25 connectors you can connect breakout cables providing each eight XLR connectors to interface directly with audio devices. Pin-outs of the DB-25 connectors can be found in section “Signal In- and Outputs” on page A-5.

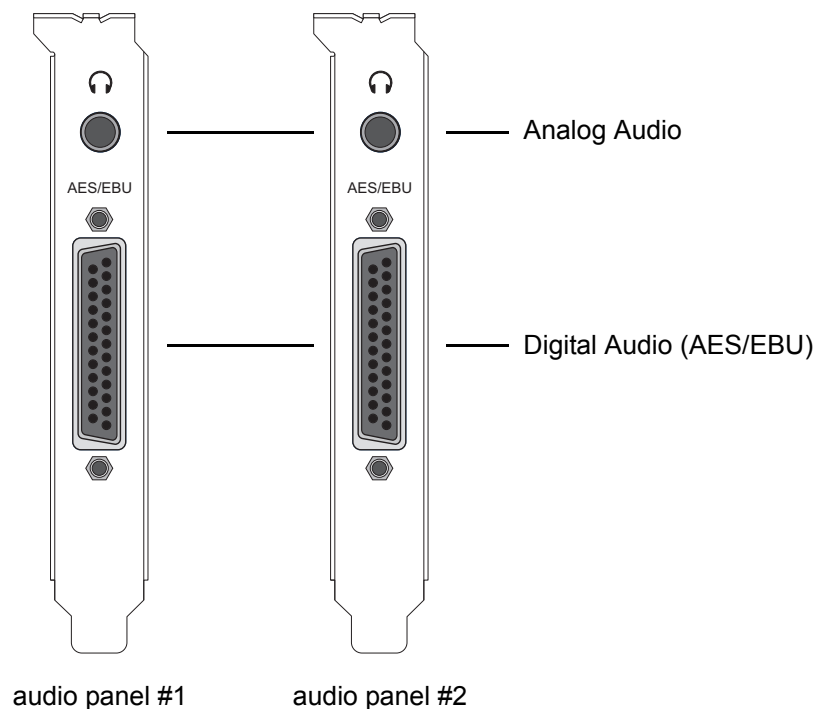
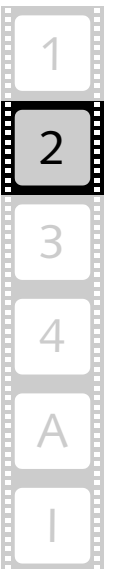


Figure 2-5: Panels for analog and digital audio



Audio Panel	Item	Explanation
#1	Analog Audio	3.5 mm unbalanced stereo headphone jack to monitor the audio output
	Digital Audio (AES/EBU)	DB-25 connector (female) for audio signal and LTC in- and output; provides either four stereo channels digital audio (channels 1 to 8) or three channels audio plus LTC
#2	Analog Audio	Without function
	Digital Audio (AES/EBU)	DB-25 connector (female) for audio signal in- and output; provides the digital audio channels 9 to 16



Prior to the installation of the panels you have to set/check the jumpers on their printed circuit boards for the appropriate settings (see section “Jumper Settings of the Audio Panel(s)” on page 3-4).

2.3.4 RS-422 Panel

The RS-422 panel provides two DB-9 connectors for a standard RS-422 connection for remote control.

Pin-outs of the DB-9 connectors can be found in section “Signal In- and Outputs” on page A-5. The pin-outs of the RS-422 ports can be switched between master and slave mode in the software.

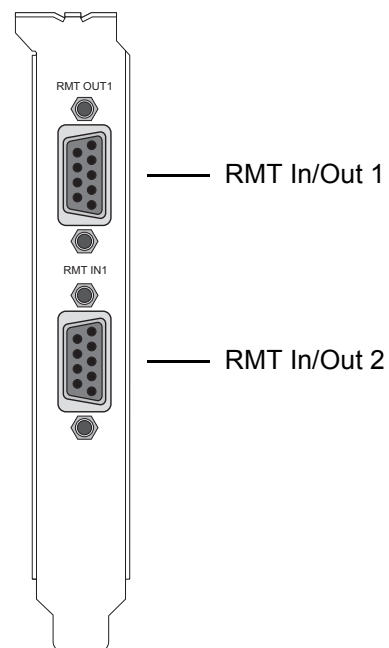


Figure 2-6: Panel with remote control connections

Item	Explanation
RMT In/Out 1	DB-9 connector (female), serial RS-422 interface for master or slave control
RMT In/Out 2	DB-9 connector (female), serial RS-422 interface for master or slave control

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Installation



This chapter details all the information necessary to install Atomix LT in a computer system.

First, the installation of the board and its panels is described. After that follows a description on how to activate the ordered features.

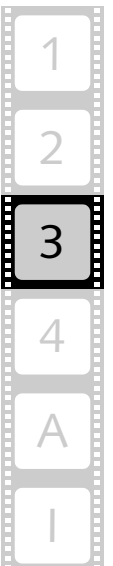
Atomix LT offers various features. Some of these are included in the standard version of the video board, some belong to optional packages and have to be ordered explicitly if you want to use them. Via a license key the whole feature set that you have ordered with Atomix LT can be activated.

For some installations it may be necessary to upgrade the firmware of Atomix LT. This is described in this chapter as well.

Once everything is set, you may test your installation and system configuration if everything is working properly.



The DVS driver to control the board is part of the SDK software package. For information on how to install the DVS driver please refer to the separate SDK documentation.



3.1 Hardware Installation

How to install Atomix LT in a computer system is described in this section. The installation has to be performed in several steps: First, you have to prepare the computer system and the panels for the installation. After that the board itself must be installed, followed by the installation of the different panels. Afterwards you have to set up the remaining connections, and finally in the last step the hardware installation has to be finished.



If you want to disconnect flat cables from the board once they are plugged in, please read section “Unplugging Cables” on page 1-6.



Please note that the availability of the panels depends on the ordered feature set.

3.1.1 Preparations

Before installing the Atomix LT board the computer system and some of the panels have to be prepared for the installation. The necessary preparations will be described in the following.

Preparing the Computer System

To prepare the computer system where Atomix LT has to be installed perform the following:

- Disconnect all cables (especially the power cords) from the computer system where Atomix LT should be installed.



The computer system you are trying to install Atomix LT in usually works with voltages that can be hazardous to your health.

Never work on the system or access its interior with the power cable(s) being plugged in. Make sure the power supply is disconnected from the components you intend to work on.

- Open the computer casing. For details on how to do this please refer to the respective manufacturer's manual.



Computer hardware contains components that are sensitive to electrostatic discharge. If you touch them without precautionary measures, they can be destroyed.

Use a wrist strap connected to ground when accessing electronic parts and take care of grounding the video system. Avoid touching the components of the computer and Atomix LT whenever possible.

The computer system is now ready for the installation and you have to proceed with the checking of the panels for their correct jumper settings.

Jumper Settings of the Audio and RS-422 Panel

When installing the audio and RS-422 panel as the audio panel #1 (see section “Note About the Audio Setup” on page 2-9), up to four stereo channels of AES/EBU or three stereo channels of AES/EBU and one LTC in- and output can be transmitted. This signal configuration has to be configured via jumper settings on one of the printed circuit boards mounted to the audio and RS-422 slot panel.

- Before installing the audio and RS-422 panel please check whether the jumpers on the printed circuit boards are set to your desired configuration and, if appropriate, adjust them:

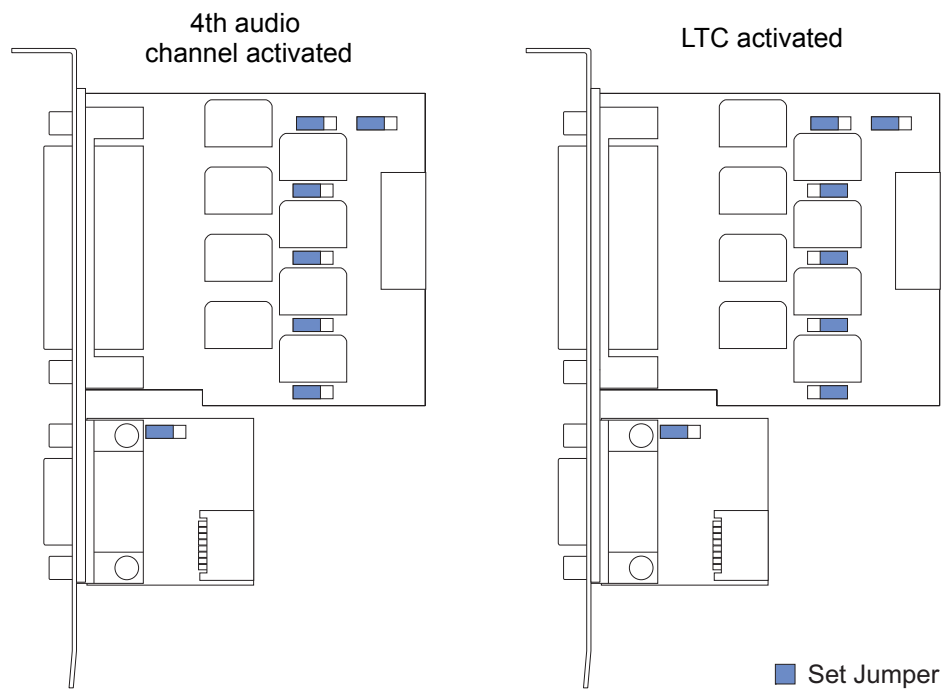
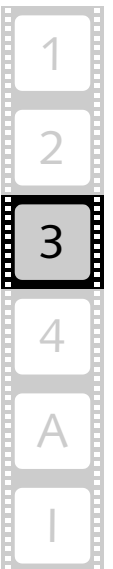


Figure 3-1: Jumper settings for audio (audio panel #1)



In a setup that contains this panel as well as one of the audio panels described in section “Audio Panel” on page 2-11, it is recommended to install it as audio panel #2 (see section “Note About the Audio Setup” on page 2-9). Then the jumpers should be set as the indicated in the left drawing (figure above, 4th audio channel activated).

After checking and, if appropriate, adjusting the jumpers you can continue the installation by checking the jumpers of the audio panels (if available).



Jumper Settings of the Audio Panel(s)

On the audio panel that should be installed as the audio panel #1 (see section “Note About the Audio Setup” on page 2-9) up to four stereo channels of AES/EBU or three stereo channels of AES/EBU and one LTC in- and output can be transmitted. This signal configuration has to be configured via jumper settings on the printed circuit board mounted to the audio slot panel.

- Before installing the audio panel #1 please check whether the jumpers on the printed circuit board are set to your desired configuration and, if appropriate, adjust them:

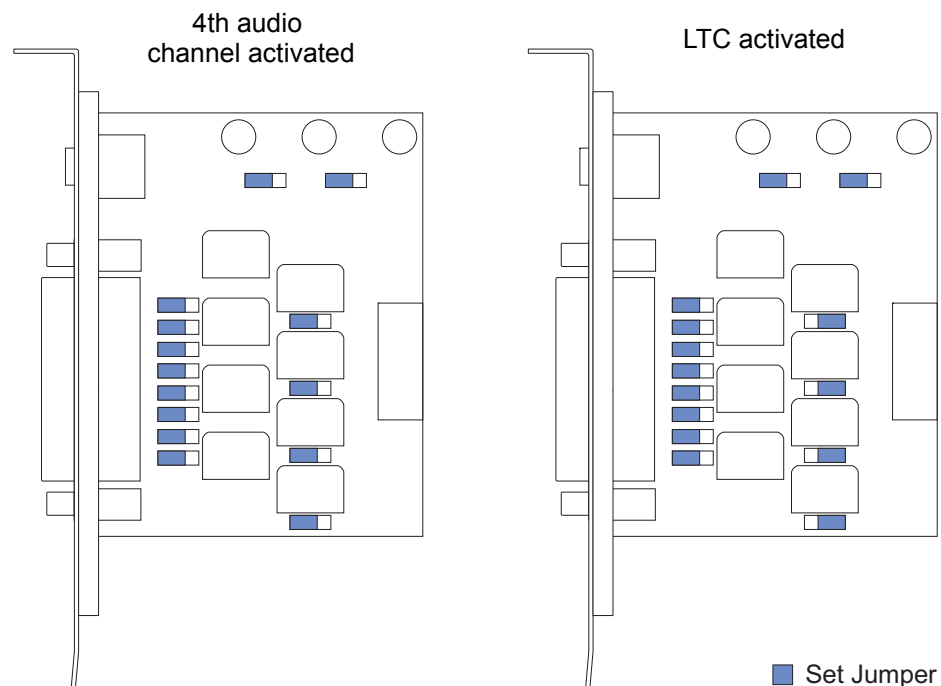


Figure 3-2: Jumper settings for audio (audio panel #1)

- If available, check the jumper settings of the audio panel that should be installed as the audio panel #2. They should be set as the indicated in the left drawing (figure above, 4th audio channel activated).

After checking and, if appropriate, adjusting the jumpers of the audio panels to their correct settings you can go on with the next step and install the board into the computer system.

3.1.2 Installation of the Board

With the second step the Atomix LT board will be installed in the prepared computer system. For this perform the following:

- In the computer system remove the slot bracket from the PCI slot where the Atomix LT board should be installed.



The Atomix LT board must be installed in a PCIe x8 or x16 slot (four or more electrical lanes).



During the next step please observe not to break off any parts of the PCI video board. Apply pressure to the slot panel and/or the printed circuit board only, not to any of its attached parts.

- Insert the Atomix LT board into the PCI slot without using excessive force or bending it.
- Afterwards fasten the board with the screw from the slot bracket.



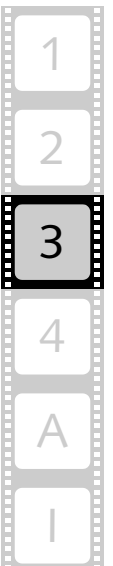
The chassis of the computer system where the Atomix LT board is installed must be equipped with a sufficient ventilation for cooling reasons.

With this the Atomix LT board is installed in the computer system and you can move on to the next step, i.e. to the installation of the panels.

3.1.3 Installation of the Panels

As the third step you have to connect the delivered panels internally to the Atomix LT board and install them in your computer system. For this perform the following:

- Remove as many slot brackets as you need for the additional panels.
- Now install the panels: Insert the panels of Atomix LT into the empty slots and fasten each with a screw from the slot brackets.
- Connect the cables to the appropriate Atomix LT board interfaces as detailed in the following:



Connecting the Audio and RS-422 Panel

Depending on your setup the audio and RS-422 panel can be installed as the audio panel #1 or 2 (see section “Note About the Audio Setup” on page 2-9). The connection is made with a 26-pin flat cable to the Atomix LT board. The remote control connection is made with a 12-pin flat cable. Perform the internal connections as shown in the following figure:



Prior to the installation of the panel you have to set/check the jumpers on the printed circuit boards for the appropriate settings (see section “Jumper Settings of the Audio and RS-422 Panel” on page 3-3).

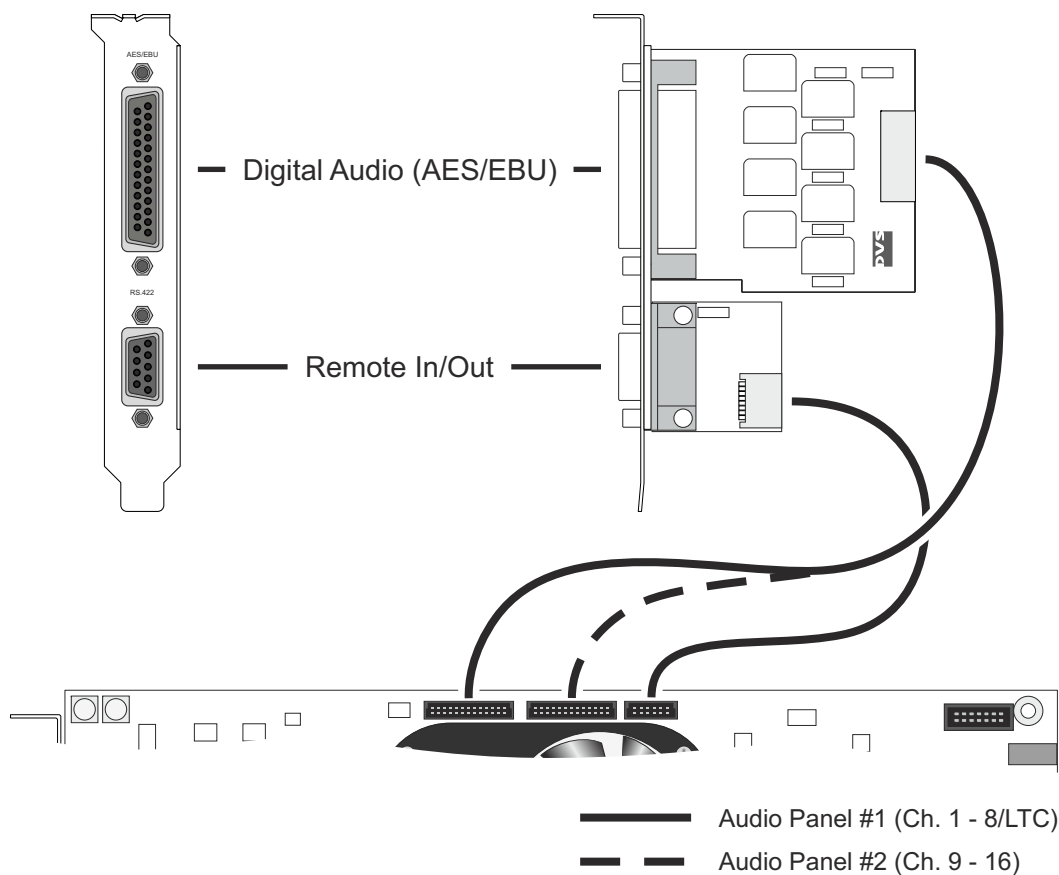


Figure 3-3: Internal connections of the audio and RS-422 panel

Connecting the Audio Panel(s)

Depending on your setup the audio panel(s) can be installed as audio panel #1 and/or audio panel #2 (see section “Note About the Audio Setup” on page 2-9). The connections are made with 26-pin flat cables to the Atomix LT board. To perform the internal connections you can connect the audio panel(s) to the board as shown in the following figure:



Prior to the installation of the panels you have to set/check the jumpers on their printed circuit boards for the appropriate settings (see section “Jumper Settings of the Audio Panel(s)” on page 3-4).

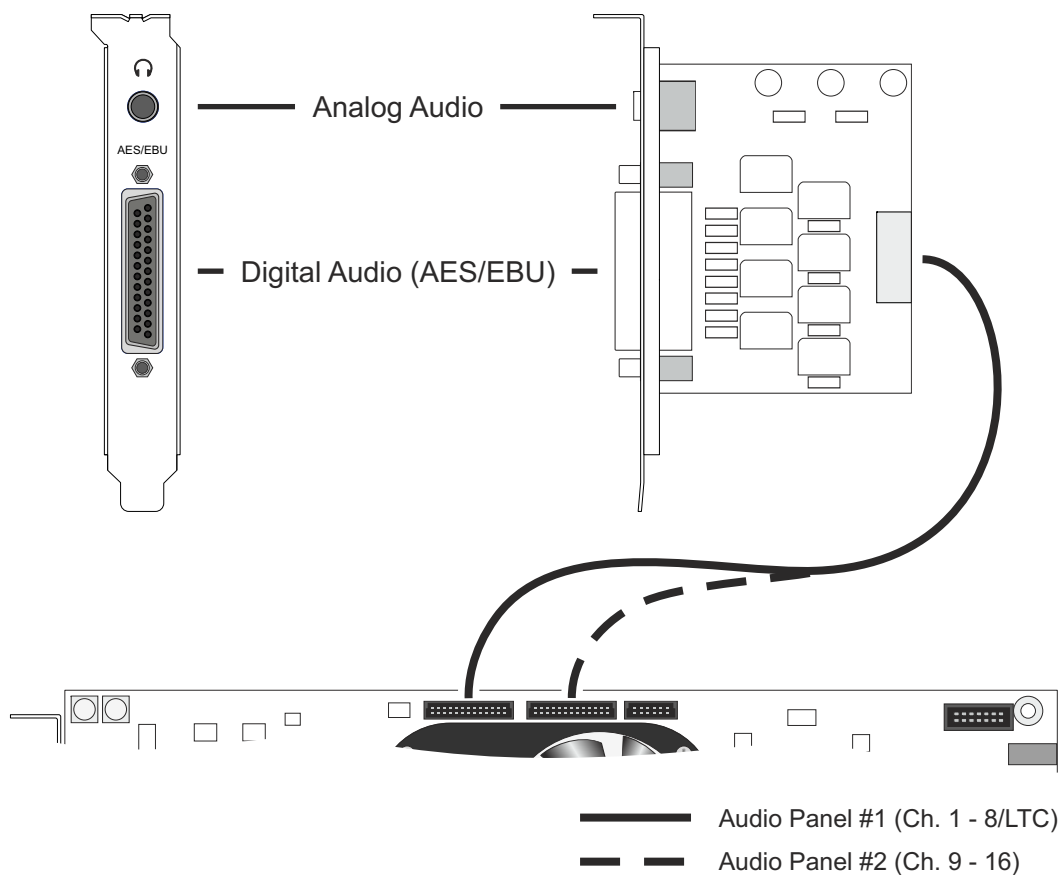


Figure 3-4: Internal connections of the audio panel(s)

Connecting the RS-422 Panel

The connection of the RS-422 panel to the board is made with a 12-pin flat cable. Set up the connection as shown in the following figure:

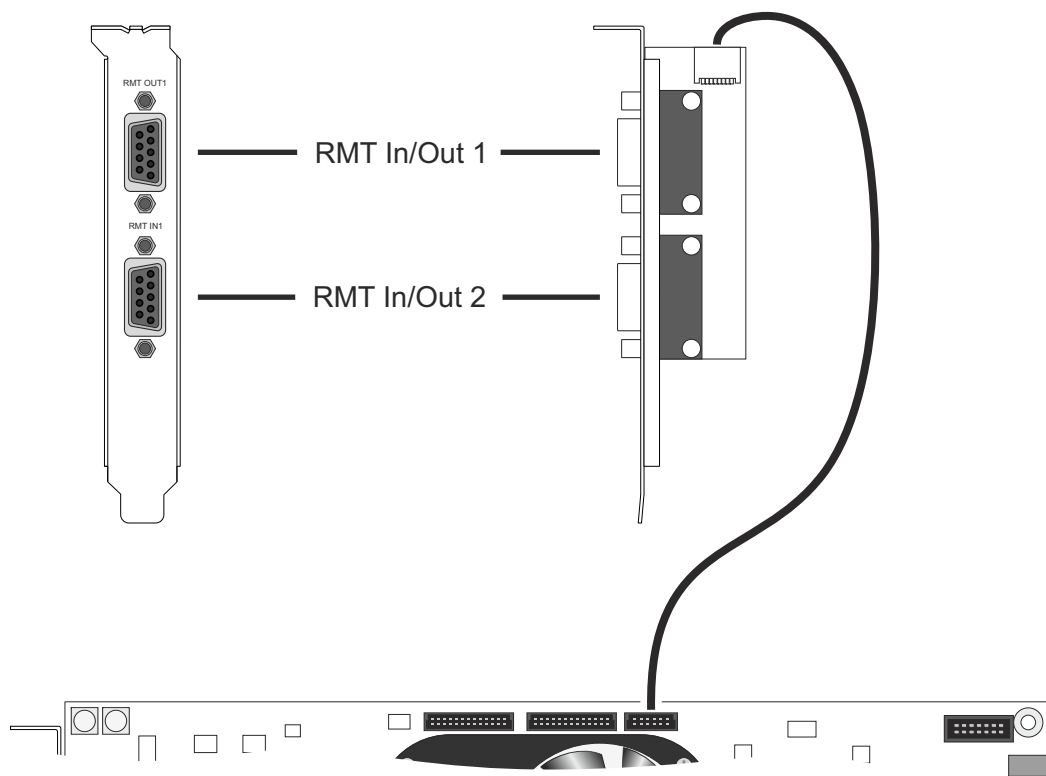


Figure 3-5: Internal connection of the RS-422 panel

Once all panels are properly connected to the Atomix LT board, you have to continue the installation with the next step and set up the remaining internal connections.

3.1.4 Setting up the Remaining Internal Connections

To finish the cabling inside the computer system you may want to connect a rechargeable battery (accu) to the fail safe connector. In the event of a power loss it will provide a bypass of the SDI input signals to the SDI outputs. The rechargeable battery can be internally connected to either the Fail Safe 1 connector as shown in the following figure or externally to Fail Safe 0 (see section "Overview of the Component Side" on page 2-3). For further details about the accu see section "Technical Data" on page A-1.

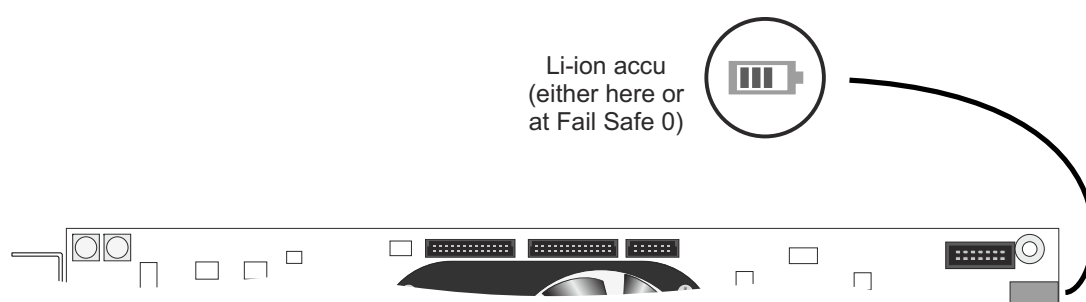
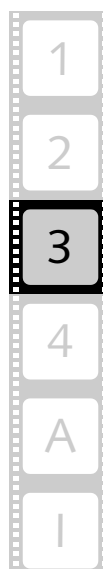


Figure 3-6: Remaining internal connections

When the internal connections are all set up, Atomix LT is properly connected to your computer system. As a last step you must now finish the installation.



3.1.5 Finishing the Installation

This step of installing the Atomix LT board is the last step to be performed. To finish the hardware installation do the following:

- Close the computer casing.
- Connect all cables to the computer system again.
- Connect your audio and video equipment to the Atomix LT connectors.
- After this start the computer system.

Once the computer system has finished the loading of the operating system, the installation of the hardware of Atomix LT is complete. To use the board and activate its features you have to install the DVS software as well (see section “Software Installation” on page 3-11).

3.2 Software Installation

Beside the files for software development, the DVS SDK software package also includes the Atomix LT board driver and tools for a basic hardware setup and diagnostics.

For descriptions of the software and driver as well as their installations please refer to the separate SDK documentation.

Once the software installation is completed, you have to activate the feature set available for Atomix LT with the delivered license key.

3.3 Setting the License Key

This section explains how to set the license key on the computer system equipped with Atomix LT. The license key activates the individual features that you have ordered for your DVS product. After the SDK and the driver are installed, you have to set the license key for Atomix LT to be able to use the full feature set.

Atomix LT is capable of holding two license keys. The first key is usually used for licensing the features that you have ordered with Atomix LT. The second key is usually used for temporary licenses that you may have received for evaluation purposes. Each license key enables one or more (optional) features of Atomix LT until date of expiration (if applicable). Each time Atomix LT starts the keys are checked and their features are combined.

To set the license key(s) for Atomix LT you have to perform the following:

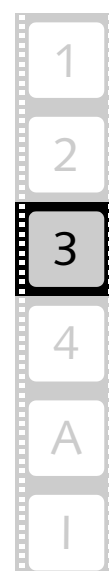
- Save the license key that you have received with Atomix LT in a text file at a location of your choice on the computer.
- Open a command line (shell, or in case of Windows MS DOS prompt).



In case the driver is not already loaded, load the driver. Further information about this can be found in the separate SDK documentation.

In case you have several Atomix LT boards installed, use the environment variable `SCSIVIDEO_CMD` and set it to `PCI, card:<x>` (with `<x>` as the number of the board, normally counting from zero (0)) to access a particular board. Please refer to the SDK documentation for details about setting the variable `SCSIVIDEO_CMD`.

- Enter the command `svram licence keyfile1 <text file>`. For `<text file>` insert the path and file name to the text file that holds the license key.



The new license key is now set and will be stored non-volatile in Atomix LT.



The features activated with this license key can be checked with the command `svram licence show`.

- Repeat the described steps to activate the features for the second key ('keyfile2'), if appropriate, by altering the command respectively.
- If you have more than one Atomix LT board installed in your computer system, use the environment variable `SCSIVIDEO_CMD` to access the respective board and repeat the steps to activate its features.
- Reboot the computer system.

Once the system has started, all licensed features will be available to Atomix LT.



It is recommended to have the latest released firmware version installed on the Atomix LT board. More information about this can be found in section "Upgrading the Firmware" on page 3-13.

To be sure your Atomix LT board works properly, you may also test your installation. Details on how to perform a testing of your installation can be found in section "Testing the Installation" on page 3-16.

3.4 Upgrading the Firmware

It is recommended to have the latest released firmware version installed on the Atomix LT board. Depending on the currently installed firmware it may require an upgrade. This can be done with a program named 'atomixltup'. This section explains how to determine whether you need and how to perform a firmware upgrade.



An upgrade should be performed by qualified personnel only. Before upgrading the firmware close all other applications.

Be aware of a power failure. If this happens, you have to use the fallback firmware version of the Atomix LT board as detailed in chapter "Maintenance" on page 4-1.

3.4.1 Determining the Firmware Version

Before upgrading the firmware you have to determine the firmware version that is currently installed on your Atomix LT board and compare it with the latest version that is available on the DVS web site. For this perform the following:

- Open a command line (shell, or in case of Windows MS DOS prompt).



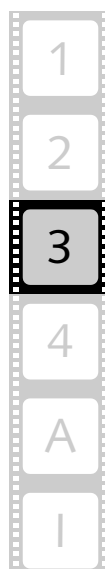
If the driver is not already loaded, load the driver. Further information about this can be found in the separate SDK documentation.

In case you have several Atomix LT boards installed, use the environment variable `SCSIVIDEO_CMD` and set it to `PCI, card:<x>` (with `<x>` as the number of the board, normally counting from zero (0)) to access a particular board. Please refer to the SDK documentation for details about setting the variable `SCSIVIDEO_CMD`.

- Enter at the command line `svram version info` and press [Enter].
- In the output look for the line that says `Firmware Version: 5.3.0.40_5.0.0` or similar.

The numbers indicate the installed firmware version. In detail they stand for two version numbers that are separated by an underscore, i.e. with the pattern `<v1>_<v2>`.

- Next log on to the DVS web site (see section "Required Software" on page 1-8) and check the available and officially released firmware versions.



- Compare the two version numbers in the output separately with the numbers stated on the DVS web site.



Treat the two version numbers as any version number, where <a>, as in e.g. <a>..<c>, has priority over and both over <c>.

If one of the version numbers is lower than the respective numbers stated on the web site, the firmware should be upgraded.

3.4.2 Upgrading the Firmware

In case you determined that a firmware upgrade is required, perform the following:

- Download the firmware from the DVS web site (see section “Required Software” on page 1-8).



Make sure that the firmware version matches the used DVS SDK. Notable dependencies will be stated on the DVS web site and/or in the *readme.txt* and *changelog.txt* of the DVS SDK.

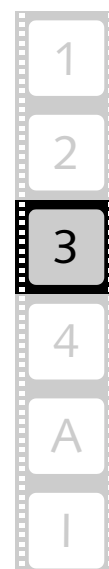
Only officially released firmware versions are suitable for end user delivery.

- Open a command line (shell, or in case of Windows MS DOS prompt).
- Run the update program *atomixltup###* (### is the firmware version that the Atomix LT board will be upgraded to) and follow the instructions given on the screen while observing the following:
 - During the procedure you will be asked if you want to upgrade all installed Atomix LT boards in a single step or one board only. With the latter option selected, the program will loop through all installed Atomix LT boards and you can decide for each if it should be upgraded.
 - Each board upgrade takes several minutes.
 - The program will terminate itself when all upgrades are finished.
- When the upgrade procedure is finished, shut down the computer and wait at least ten seconds before rebooting it.

This will safely erase the old firmware from the Atomix LT board(s).

- Start the computer and, after the operating system has loaded, check the firmware version as described in section “Determining the Firmware Version” on page 3-13.

If the firmware version is upgraded, the procedure is finished. If it is not upgraded, perform the procedure again and give the board(s) more time to erase the old information.



3.5 Testing the Installation

After having installed and set up everything, you should test if the Atomix LT installation has been successful. The tools delivered with the DVS SDK software package offer you the possibility to generate and display test pictures to check the Atomix LT hardware.

To test the installation perform the following:

- Connect a video monitor to the video output connectors of Atomix LT (see chapter "Overview" on page 2-1).
- Open a command line (shell, or in case of Windows MS DOS prompt).



If the driver is not already loaded, load the driver. Further information about this can be found in the separate SDK documentation.

Now the computer system is ready to display test frames:



In case you have several Atomix LT boards installed, use the environment variable `SCSIVIDEO_CMD` and set it to `PCI, card:<x>` (with `<x>` as the number of the board, normally counting from zero (0)) to access a particular board. Please refer to the SDK documentation for details about setting the variable `SCSIVIDEO_CMD`.

- Use `svram mode`, `svram sync`, `svram analog`, etc. to select the desired video and audio settings (further information about the commands can be found in the SDK documentation).
- Enter `svram colorbar` to display a color bar at the output.

If this works, you have successfully completed the Atomix LT installation. Together with the DVS SDK some sample programs are delivered that can also be used for testing.



The `svram` program only affects the buffer and the I/O functions of the Atomix LT board. For testing optionally installed video hard disks you have to use your own test routines.

Maintenance



This chapter explains maintenance work that you may perform on your own, i.e. it will be explained in detail what to do in case of a firmware upgrade failure (see section “Upgrading the Firmware” on page 3-14).

An upgrade of the firmware is a delicate procedure comparable to a BIOS upgrade of a computer motherboard. If, for example, an environmental extreme like a power failure occurs while the upgrade program is running, the PCI video board may lose all its programming.



Prior to performing the procedure for a firmware upgrade failure contact the DVS service department to make sure that this procedure is really necessary.

In case the programming of the PCI video board is lost act as described in the following to restore it:



The computer system you are working on usually works with voltages that can be hazardous to your health.

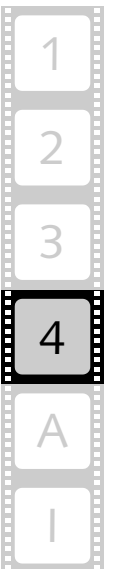
Never work on the system or access its interior with the power cable(s) being plugged in. Make sure the power supply is disconnected from the components you intend to work on.



Computer hardware contains components that are sensitive to electrostatic discharge. If you touch them without precautionary measures, they can be destroyed.

Use a wrist strap connected to ground when accessing electronic parts and take care of grounding the video system. Avoid touching the components of the computer and the printed circuit board(s) of Atomix LT.

- If appropriate, turn off the computer system where Atomix LT is installed and disconnect its power cable(s).
- Open the casing of the computer system. For details on how to do this please refer to the respective manufacturer's manual.
- Set the DIP switch for the Flash controller on the PCI video board (see section “Overview of the Soldering Side” on page 2-6) to the setting indicated in the following figure:



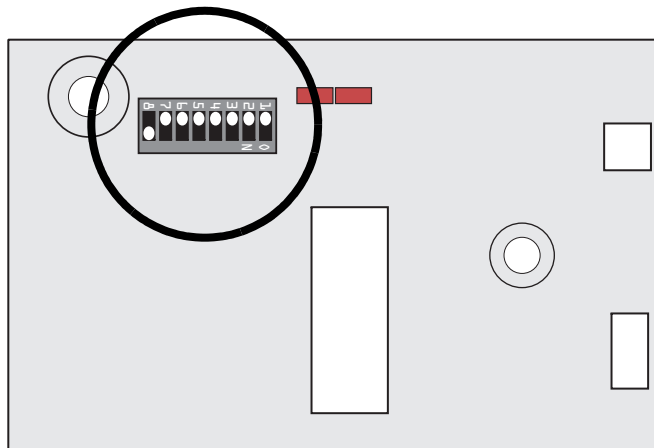


Figure 4-1: Setting of Flash controller DIP switch

This setting will load a safe mode programming (fallback map) when the PCI video board is initialized during start-up. Now use this fallback map to perform the firmware upgrade once again:

- Close the casing of the computer system and plug in its power cable(s).
- Turn on the computer system.
- After the start-up of the computer and the loading of the operating system run the firmware upgrade program (*atomixltup###*, see section “Upgrading the Firmware” on page 3-14) once again.
- When the upgrade program has finished the procedure, shut down the computer.

You must now set the DIP switch for the Flash controller back to its default position.

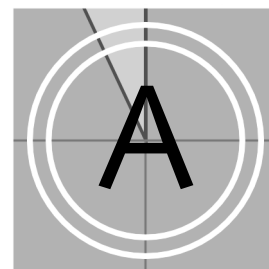


Never operate the PCI video board with the fallback map enabled. Make sure that for normal operations the DIP switch is set back to its default position.

- Disconnect the power cable(s) of the computer system.
- Open the casing of the computer system.
- Then set the DIP switch for the Flash controller back to its default setting as shown in the respective figure in section “Overview of the Soldering Side” on page 2-6.
- Close the casing and plug in the power cable(s).
- Now start the computer.
- After the operating system has loaded check the firmware version as described in section “Determining the Firmware Version” on page 3-13.

If the firmware version is upgraded, the procedure is finished.

Appendix



This chapter provides technical data and general information about Atomix LT.

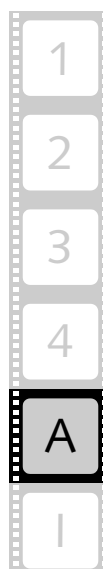
A.1 Technical Data

The following shows the technical data of the Atomix LT board.



The chassis of the computer system where the Atomix LT board is installed must be equipped with a sufficient ventilation for cooling reasons.

PCI bus requirements	PCIe x8 (elect. x4)
Board size	approx. 2/3 length, single-slot
Electrical type	3.3/12 volt
PCIe conformity	Specification 1.1
Operating environmental conditions	5°C (41°F) to 40°C (104°F) 20% to 80% relative humidity, non-condensing
Storage environmental conditions	-17°C (0°F) to 70°C (158°F) 10% to 80% relative humidity, non-condensing
Rechargeable battery	Li-ion accu 3.7 V (nominal), 4.7 V (charging) min. 2400 mAh (approx. 1.5 h. bypass)



A.2 Hardware Specifications

The following table shows the hardware specifications of Atomix LT.

Table A-1: Atomix LT specifications

Video	Input	Output
Serial digital 4:2:2 8/10 bit (single link)	2 streams via 2 BNC	2 streams via 2 BNC
Serial digital 4:4:4 8/10/12 bit (dual link)	1 stream via 2 BNC	1 stream via 2 BNC
Serial digital 4:4:4 8/10/12 bit (3 Gbit/s)	2 streams via 2 BNC	2 streams via 2 BNC
Key	Input	Output
Serial digital 4:0:0 8/10/12 bit for 4:2:2:4 and 4:4:4:4 modes	1 BNC per stream (via Video In)	1 BNC per stream (via Video Out)
Reference	Input	Output
Analog reference genlock	1 BNC	
Audio	Input	Output
Embedded audio, 16 digital channels (mono)	1 BNC per stream (via Video In)	1 BNC per stream (via Video Out)
AES/EBU, 16 digital channels (mono)	8 XLR female	8 XLR male
Analog audio		1 stereo head-phone jack
Timecode	Input	Output
Longitudinal (LTC)	1 XLR female	1 XLR male
Vertical (VITC)	1 BNC per stream (via Video In)	1 BNC per stream (via Video Out)
Data and Control Interfaces	Input	Output
Serial RS-422	Up to 2 DB-9 female (software switchable)	

Table A-1: Atomix LT specifications (cont.)

Data Formats	
Color Modes	YCbCr 4:2:2 YCbCrA 4:2:2:4 RGB 4:4:4 RGBA 4:4:4:4
Storage Format	Uncompressed YUV(A) 4:2:2(:4) / RGB(A) 4:4:4(:4) 8/10/12 bit, user selectable
Internal Processing	Color space conversion Low-pass filtering (4:4:4 ↔ 4:2:2) User definable LUT (1D LUT in 10 bit) Frame repetition Real-time (alpha channel) mixer Real-time scaler Input raster detection 3:2 & 2:3 pulldown insertion/removal Watchdog with hardware relay
Audio Formats	48 kHz, 20/24 bit

A.3 Baud Rate of RS-422 Ports

The baud rate (data transfer speed) of the RS-422 ports of Atomix LT can be set up via the DVS software.



For more information about how to set the baud rate of the RS-422 ports please refer to the SDK documentation.

The following settings are possible:

- 9600 baud
- 19200 baud
- 38400 baud
- 57600 baud

The maximum baud rate is 57600 baud.



A.4 Video Rasters

The following table shows the supported video rasters. All frequencies indicate the frame rate.

Table A-2: Supported video rasters

Raster	Total lines per frame	x size	y size	Aspect ratio
525i /29.97 (NTSC)	525	720	486	4:3
625i /25 (PAL)	625	720	576	4:3
525i /29.97 (NTSC HR)	525	960	486	16:9
625i /25 (PAL HR)	625	960	576	16:9
720p /23.976/24/25/29.97/30 /50/59.94/60	750	1280	720	16:9
1035i /29.97/30	1125	1920	1035	16:9
1080i /23.976/24/25/29.97/30	1125	1920	1080	16:9
1080p /23.976/24/25/29.97/30 /50/59.94/60	1125	1920	1080	16:9
1080psF /23.976/24/25/29.97 /30	1125	1920	1080	16:9
2048p /23.976/24/25	1125	2048	1080	16:9
2048psF /23.976/24/25	1125	2048	1080	16:9
2048p /24	1600	2048	1536	4:3
2048psF /24	1600	2048	1536	4:3
2048p /23.976/24	1600	2048	1556	4:3
2048psF /14.985/15/19.98/20 /24/30	1600	2048	1556	4:3
4096psF /5	3375	4096	3112	4:3



You can find information about the internal data representation of video, audio and timecode in the SDK documentation.

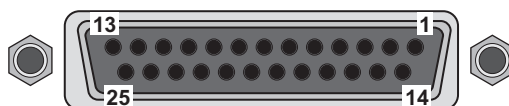
A.5 Signal In- and Outputs

This section provides pin-out information about some of the connectors provided by Atomix LT.

Analog Audio (6.3 mm (1/4") Headphone Jack)

Output Impedance	75 Ohm
Output Level	1.55 V (at 600 Ohm)

Digital Audio (25-Pin D-Sub Connector)



(external view;
female on interface, male on cable)

Table A-3: Digital Audio Ch. 1-8/LTC

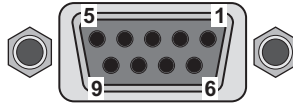
Pin No.	Signal	Pin No.	Signal
1	Audio OUT CH 7/8, or LTC OUT	14	/Audio OUT CH 7/8, or /LTC OUT
2	GND	15	Audio OUT CH 5/6
3	/Audio OUT CH 5/6	16	GND
4	Audio OUT CH 3/4	17	/Audio OUT CH 3/4
5	GND	18	Audio OUT CH 1/2
6	/Audio OUT CH 1/2	19	GND
7	Audio IN CH 7/8, or LTC IN	20	/Audio IN CH 7/8, or /LTC IN
8	GND	21	Audio IN CH 5/6
9	/Audio IN CH 5/6	22	GND
10	Audio IN CH 3/4	23	/Audio IN CH 3/4
11	GND	24	Audio IN CH 1/2
12	/Audio IN CH 1/2	25	GND
13	–		

Table A-4: Digital Audio Ch. 9-16

Pin No.	Signal	Pin No.	Signal
1	Audio OUT CH 15/16	14	/Audio OUT CH 15/16
2	GND	15	Audio OUT CH 13/14
3	/Audio OUT CH 13/14	16	GND
4	Audio OUT CH 11/12	17	/Audio OUT CH 11/12
5	GND	18	Audio OUT CH 9/10
6	/Audio OUT CH 9/10	19	GND
7	Audio IN CH 15/16	20	/Audio IN CH 15/16
8	GND	21	Audio IN CH 13/14
9	/Audio IN CH 13/14	22	GND
10	Audio IN CH 11/12	23	/Audio IN CH 11/12
11	GND	24	Audio IN CH 9/10
12	/Audio IN CH 9/10	25	GND
13	—		

RMT In/Out 1 and RMT In/Out 2 (9-Pin D-Sub Connectors)

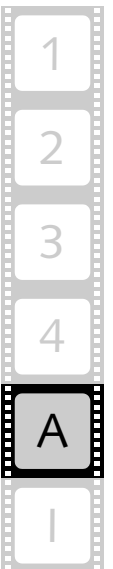
The RS-422 connector(s) can be switched between master and slave mode via the software, i.e. between RMT OUT and RMT IN.



(external view;
female on interface, male on cable)

RMT IN	
Pin No.	Signal
1	–
2	/TX_B_CON
3	RX_B_CON
4	GND
5	–
6	GND
7	TX_B_CON
8	/RX_B_CON
9	–

RMT OUT	
Pin No.	Signal
1	–
2	/RX_A_CON
3	TX_A_CON
4	GND
5	–
6	GND
7	RX_A_CON
8	/TX_A_CON
9	–



A.6 Conformity Declarations

Atomix LT has been tested according to the applying national and international directives and regulations. The following states further information about the compliances and conformities.

A.6.1 RoHS Compliance

The EU directive 2002/95/EC 'Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)' prohibits the use of certain substances in electrical and electronic equipment. All DVS products are manufactured in compliance with this directive.

A.6.2 EC Declaration of Conformity (CE Marking)

DVS Digital Video Systems AG herewith declares that the following product(s) according to the provisions of the mentioned EC Directives – including their relevant revisions at the time of this declaration – is (are) in conformity with the detailed standards or other normative documents:

Atomix LT	EC Directives:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – EMC Directive 2004/108/EC – Low-Voltage Directive 2006/95/EC
	Applied Harmonized Standards:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – EN 55022 – EN 55024 – IEC 61000-4-2 – IEC 61000-4-3 – IEC 61000-4-4 – IEC 61000-4-5 – IEC 61000-4-6 – IEC 61000-4-8

A.6.3 FCC Compliance Statement

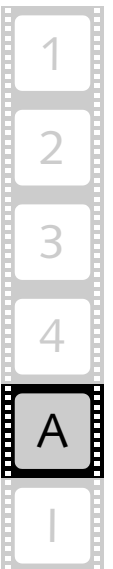
DVS Digital Video Systems AG herewith declares that the following equipment has been tested according to the applying valid FCC regulations:

- Atomix LT

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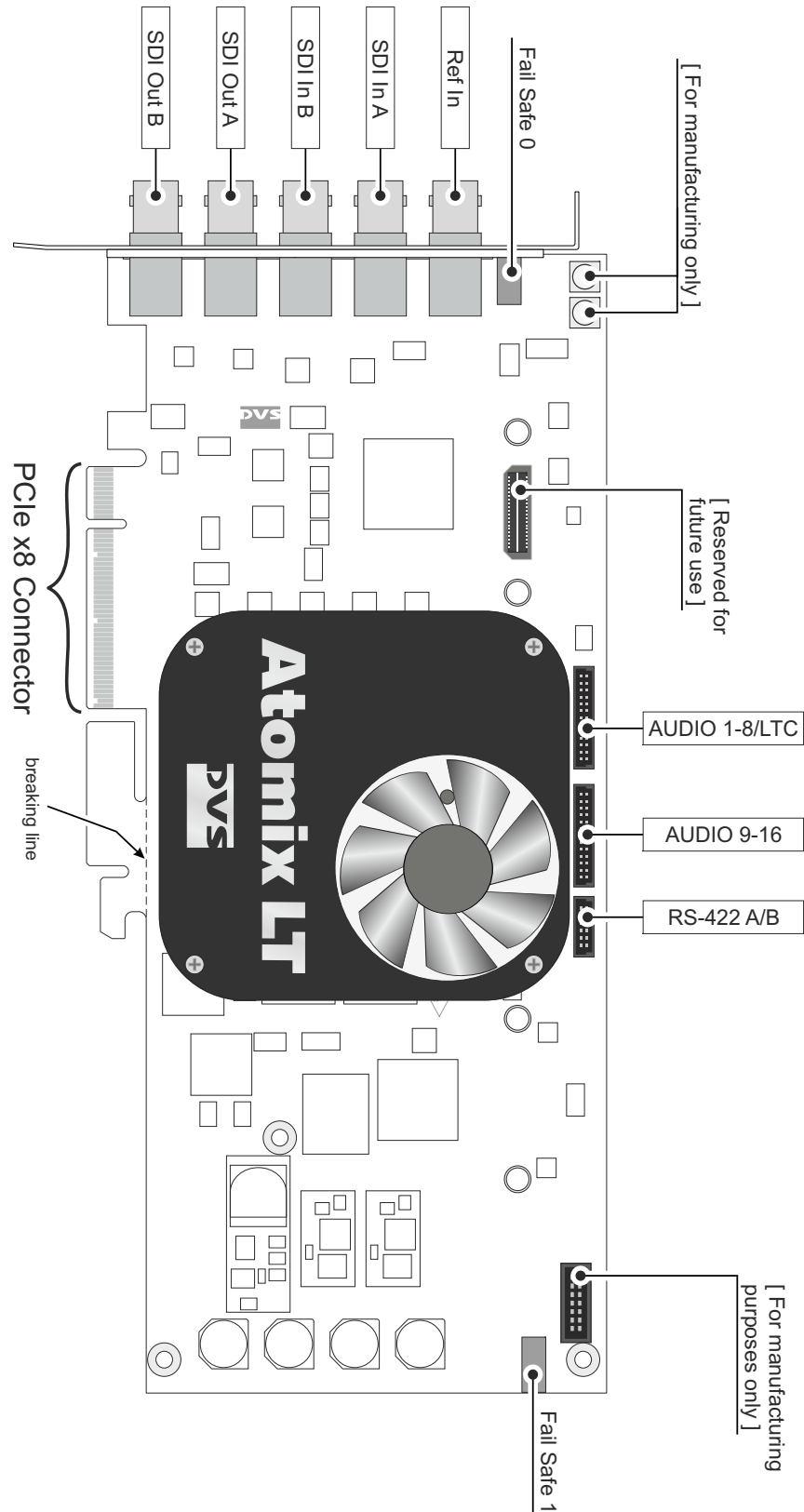
This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

Note: Connecting this device to peripheral devices that do not comply with Class A requirements or using an unshielded peripheral data cable could also result in harmful interference to radio or television reception. The user is cautioned that any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment. To ensure that the use of this product does not contribute to interference, it is necessary to use shielded I/O cables.

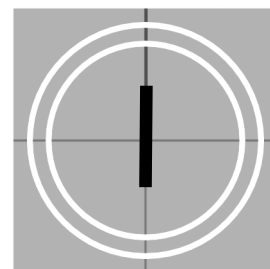


A.7 Short Reference: Atomix LT Board

This section provides a short reference to the Atomix LT board.



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