

## **USER MANUAL**

Software Developer's Kit for BRC, BTB, BTC, BTF, & BTR Series Array Spectrometers

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### Introduction

BTC and BRC series products are high performance and low cost array spectrometers. The BW Tek software developer's kit (SDK) is designed for customers who have a need to custom program the BTC and BRC spectrometers for specific applications. BTC and BRC products are available with standard RS232, or virtual USB 2.0 RS232 port, as well as true USB 2.0 interfaces. A table is provided on the following page summarizing the available models and their interfaces.

The SDK program's .DLL file is compatible with any software language supported through Microsoft Windows Operating Systems.

### Getting To Know BW-Spec User Interface

BTC and BRC series products are high performance and low cost array spectrometers. The BW-Spec software is shipped together with a parameter data disk which contains your spectrometer unit specific setting information. Insert the parameter data disk into your PC's floppy disk drive and use the Import Parameter File function in the File menu from BW-Spec to update the settings.

Most BRC and BTC models have a default baudrate setting of 9600. Custom settings will be reset to the default each time on a new power up. The BW-Spec operating software will load a default baudrate of 9600 every time when the program is launched. The custom COM port setting will be saved when exiting BW-Spec.





### Models

Model	Description	Digitizer Resolution (bits)	PC Interface
BRC111A	Non-Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer	16	USB
BRC112	Non-Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer	16	USB
BRC131E	Non-Cooled CCD 3680 array spectrometer	16	USB
BRC311	Non-Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer	16	USB
BRC711E-512	Non-Cooled 512 PDA array spectrometer	16	USB
BRC711E-1024	Non-Cooled 1024 PDA array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC111	TE Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC112	TE Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC211	TE Cooled 512 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC221E-256	TE Cooled 256 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC251	TE Cooled 512 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC251E-512	TE Cooled 512 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC261E-256	TE Cooled 256 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC261E-512	TE Cooled 512 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC261E-1024	TE Cooled 1024 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC262E-256	TE Cooled 256 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC262E-512	TE Cooled 512 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC262E-1024	TE Cooled 1024 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC311	TE Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC611E-512	TE Cooled 512 Back Thinned CCD	16	USB
BTC611E-1024	TE Cooled 1024 Back Thinned CCD	16	USB
BTC711E-512	TE Cooled 512 PDA array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC711E-1024	TE Cooled 1024 PDA array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC811(In Development)	TE Cooled High Dynamic Range 2048 CCD array spectrometer	16	USB

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Model	Description	Digitizer Resolution (bits)	PC Interface
BTF111	TE Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer for Fluorescence	16	USB
BTF113	TE Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer for Fluorescence	16	USB
BTU111	TE Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer for UV Applications	16	USB
BTU112	TE Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer for UV	16	USB
BRU111	TE Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer for UV Applications	16	USB
BRU112	TE Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer for UV Applications	16	USB
BTR111 (MiniRam)	TE Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer	16	USB
BTC500	TE Cooled 256 PbS array spectrometer	14	USB
BRC100	Non-cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer	12	RS232
BRC110	Non-cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer	12	RS232
BTC110	TE Cooled 2048 CCD array spectrometer	16	RS232
BTC200	TE Cooled 512 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	RS232
BTC251E_512_RS232	TE Cooled 512 InGaAs array spectrometer	16	RS232

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USB 2.0/1.1 or RS232 Interface Spectrometers

The first six functions are the most basic functions for BRC, BTB, BTC, BTF & BTR spectrometers with USB or RS232 interfaces for writing custom software. The rest are for more advaced features. These functions are described as below.

### **bwtekTestUSB**

This function is for testing the USB device status.

**nUSBTiming** is used to specify device USB interface timing options. It should be set to 1 for USB 2.0/1.1 based linear array spectrometers, and 2 for BTC600E 2-D array based USB products.

**nPixelNo** should be set to the value representing the number of pixels of the detector array used in the spectrometer device. It should be set to 2048 for Sony ILX511 CCD based spectrometers such as BTC and BRC 1xx products.

Note: See Appendix A for Pixel Number values for the spectrometer model you are using.

**nInputMode** is used to specify the ADC input range used in the spectrometer device being programmed for. It should be set to 0 for ADCs with unipolar input such as 0 to +5V or 0 to +10V. It should be set to 1 for ADCs using bipolar input such as -5 to +5V or -10 to +10V (BTC and BRC111), and 2 for ADCs with unipolar and non-inverting input (BTC600).

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

**pParam** is a pointer for a structure as seen below for RS232 Interfaces Only. **NOTE**: This pointer should be **NULL FOR ALL USB INTERFACES** 

## struct RS232Params

```
int nPort, // 1 for Com1, 2 for com2,...
int nBautRate, // 9600, 38400 or 115200
int nAverage, // number of data to be averaged
int nTimeDelay, // time delay for a scan
int nReserve, // reserved for future use
double fCoefficient[4] // coefficient for wavelength calibration
);
```

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#### RETURN

If the spectrometer device is tested successfully the function will return a positive return value. Otherwise it will return negative value.

**NOTE:** Refer to Appendix A for default options for parameters and timing modes for each spectrometer model.

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### **bwtekSetTimeUSB**

```
long bwtekSetTimeUSB
(
  long ITime,  // integration time setting
  int nChannel  // channel to get data from
);
```

This function is for setting the spectrometer integration time as specified.

**ITime** is the integration time value in milliseconds to be set. The value should be between 1 and 65535 for BRC111 and BTC111 spectrometers.

This function will NOT work for the BTF113 model, see bwtekSetPulseNo

#### NOTE:

For spectrometers that have 2D detectors installed, (BTC611 series), an offset integration time, *OffsetTime*, results from the extra time the sensing pixels are exposed to during the readout process of the area sensor arrays. The actual integration time the sensors are exposed is the set integration time plus this offset. The *OffsetTime* needs to be taken into account when calculating the actual integration time. Therefore the lTime value to be passed to the DLL is calculated by subtracting the *OffsetTime* from the desired integration time.

For Example: If the OffsetTime is 26 (ms) and desired integration time is 50 (ms).

You would NOT set ITime to 50

You MUST set ITime = (desired integration) – OffsetTime

ITime = 50 - 26 -> ITime = 24

This will cause the minimal integration time for the spectrometer to be affected. The minimal integration time will be *OffsetTime* + 1.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful it returns the new integration time value. Otherwise it will return negative value.





### **bwtekDataReadUSB**

```
int bwtekDataReadUSB
(
int nTriggerMode,  // Base address for plug-in data acquisition board unsigned short *pArray, int nChannel  // channel to get data from
);
```

This function is for reading out data form detector

**nTriggerMode** is used to set trigger mode to initiate a trigger scan process. It should be set to 0 for free running mode and 1 for external trigger mode. The external trigger signal should be supplied as a 5V TTL tpulse. It is falling edge effective. Refer to hardware user manual for the trigger pulse width definition.

**pArray** is a pointer to data array memory spaces dependent on the total number of pixels on the CCD for the spectrometer model that is being used. Every element in this array should be an unsigned integer with minimum 2 bytes for a 16 bit resolution.

**NOTE**: This Value should be equal to int *nPixelNo* in the **bwtekTestUSB** function. See Appendix A for Pixel Number Values

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the spectrometer readout is successful as the result of this function call it returns the number of data points read. Otherwise the return value is negative.

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### bwtekReadResultUSB

This function is for reading out data form detector with data smoothing functions

**nTriggerMode** is used to set trigger mode to initiate a trigger scan process. It should be set to 0 for free running mode and 1 for external trigger mode. The external trigger signal should be supplied as a 5V TTL tpulse. It is falling edge effective. Refer to hardware user manual for the trigger pulse width definition.

**nAverage** is used to set the number of scans to be averaged.

nTypeSmoothing 0 for no smoothing function, 1 for FFT smoothing, 2 for Savitzky-Golay smoothing

**nValueSmoothing** When using FFT smoothing, this parameter indicates the percentage of cutoff frequency. The range should be 0 to 100.

**pArray** is a pointer for 2048 data array memory space. Every element in this array should be an unsigned integer with minimum 2 bytes for a 16 bits resolution.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

When using the Savitzky-Golay smoothing, this parameter indicates the number of data points. The range should be 2 to 5.

**Note**: If *nValueSmoothing* is set to 4, the total number of smoothing points will be 9. 1 point will be the "origin" pixel and the other 8 will be 4 pixels before the origin & 4 pixels after the origin added together with weighted factors and divided by 9.

#### **RETURN**

If the spectrometer readout is successful as the result of this function call it returns the number of data points read. Otherwise the return value is negative.





### **bwtekCloseUSB**

```
int bwtekCloseUSB
(
  int nchannel // channel to get data from
);
```

This function is to reset spectrometer device to a default setting. This should be used when close the programmed spectrometer application which was intiated by the bwtekTestUSB function call.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If closing USB connection is successful as the result of this function call it returns positive Otherwise the return value is negative.

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### **bwtekReadEEPROMUSB**

int bwtekReadEEPROMUSB

(
 char \*OutFileName, // The filename in which data from EEPROM would be saved int nChannel=0 // channel number to get data from );

This function is used for retrieving data from EEPROM

**OutFileName** is used to specify the name of out file which will be saved in a hard drive. The out file has a text ASCII format and the default folder is a current directory unless otherwise specified. It should string type like bwtekReadEEPROMUSB("para.ini",0) or bwtekReadEEPROMUSB("eeprom.txt",1).

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the spectrometer device becomes disconnected or loses communication a -1 value will be returned. If there is no data to be readout from EEPROM, the function will return -2. Otherwise it will return positive value.

**NOTE:** The output file contains a lot of information used for internal use.

The customer may have use for some of this data, for example, the calibration section and the information on timing mode or input mode.

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### bwtekSetTimingsUSB

int bwtekSetTimingsUSB

(
long ITriggerExit, // Setting external trigger timeout int nMultiple, // A multifly factor for long integration time int nChannel=0 //channel number to get data from );

This function is used for setting both an external trigger timeout and a multiple factor for long integration time.

**ITriggerExit** is used to specify the time period waiting for external trigger. If no trigger signal comes in within this period, a spectrometer will be released from external mode.

The real timeout period is 15ms\* ITriggerExit, and the maximum is 15ms\*65535=983040ms.

**nMultiple** is used to specify the time base for integration time. The default time base is 1ms when multiple = 1, when multiple = 2, the time base is 2ms and real integration time will be 2\*ITime (ITime parameter is from the **bwtekSetTimeUSB** function. The ITime time can be adjusted by using **bwtekSetTimeUSB** function. The real integration time period is nMultiple \* IIntegration, and the maximum value for nMultiple is 16.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the spectrometer device becomes disconnected or loses communication a negative integer will be returned, indicating a failure. Otherwise the *ITriggerExit* value will be returned.

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### bwtekPolyFit

This function is to perform a curve fit to a specified polynomial function based on supplied data values and least square algorithm. This function may be used for conversions from pixel numbers to wavelengths.

If used for wavelength conversion a wavelength calibration step needs to be performed, during which a calibration light source with known spectral features or a series of narrow band light radiation will be necessary. The known wavelength features of the calibration source along with the pixel numbers they are falling onto are the Y and X data values that need to be passed to the function for curve fit. The arrays indices should range from 0 to [Number\_of\_Points - 1]. They are passed to the function along with a desired polynomial fit order and an array enough to hold the coefficients (). This array may be used with *bwtekPolyCalc* to calculate wavelength from pixels.

x is a pointer to an array containing the independent variables. It should range from 0 to (numPts-1).

**y** is a pointer to an array containing the dependent variables. It should range from 0 to (numPts-1).

numPts is the total number of data pairs in the variable arrays

**coefs** is a pointer an array that contains the polynomial curve fit coefficients whose number of memory spaces is (*order* +1).

**order** is the desired polynomial curve fit order. The third order fit is recommended for use in wavelength conversions

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful it will return a positive interger. Otherwise it will return a negative integer.



### bwtekPolyCalc

```
void bwtekPolyCalc
(
double *coefs,
int const order,
int const x,
double *y
);
```

This function performs calculations by using the following formula:  $y = a0 + a1^*x^*1 + a2^*x^*2 + ... + aN^*x^*N$ , where \* specified multiplication and ^ specifies "to the power of."

**coefs** is a pointer to an array containing the polynomial coefficients. These can be calculated using bwtekPolyFit.

**order** is the polynomial order to be used and must be less than or equal to the number of available (supplied) coefs.

**x** is the input variable, in this case, the pixel number.

y is the value to be calculated.

#### RETURN

None

### **bwtekGetExtStatus**

```
int bwtekGetExtStatus
(
   int nchannel //channel to get data from
)
```

This function is used to retrieve the status of the input pin.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the status of input is low, a 0 will be returned. If the status of input is high, a positive integer will be returned. If the function call is unsuccessful, a negative integer will be returned.



### bwtekSetExtLaser

```
int bwtekSetExtLaser
(
    int nOnOff, //switch for On/Off
    int nchannel //channel to get data from
)
```

This function is used for controlling the On/Off capabilites of an external Laser.

**nOnOff** is used to set the Laser control signal. If 0 is assigned, the output pin signal will be low. If 1 is assigned, the output pin signal will be high.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.

### **bwtekSetExtShutter**

```
int bwtekSetExtShutter
(
int nOnOff, // switch for On/Off
int nchannel // channel to get data from
)
```

This function is used for controlling the Open/Closed capabilities of a Shutter (If Installed).

**nOnOff** is used to set the Shutter control signal. If 0 is assigned the output signal will be low. If 1 is assigned the output signal will be high.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

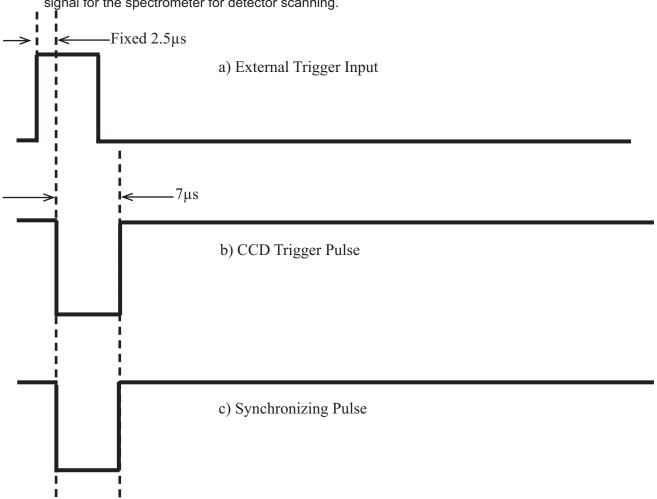
If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.



### bwtekSetExtSync

```
int bwtekSetExtSync
(
int nOnOff, //switch for On/Off
int nchannel //channel to get data from
```

This function is used to generate a pulse, which synchronizes an outside source with the external trigger signal for the spectrometer for detector scanning.



**nOnOff** is used to control the synchronizing pulse. If 0 assigned, the output signal will not be generated (no signal). If 1 is assigned, the output signal will be generated(pulse signal).

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.





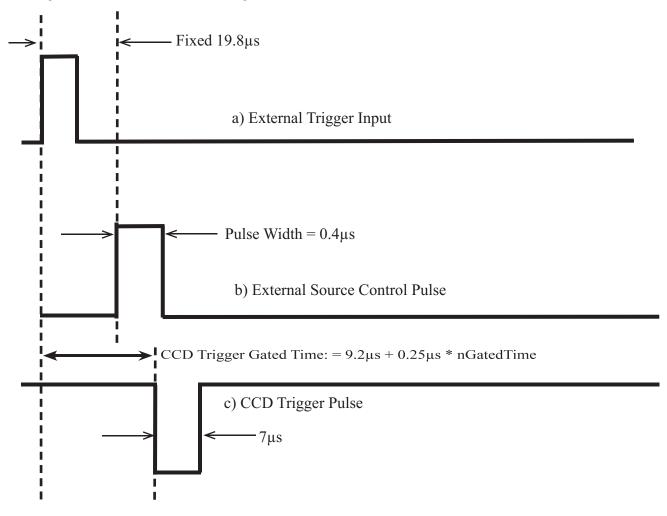
### bwtekGatedMode

```
int bwtekGatedMode
(
int nGatedTime, // Gated Time between an External trigger and a CCD trigger int nchannel // channel to get data from
)
This function is for controlling CCD gated delay time
```

**nGatedTime** is used to determine the time delay before the CCD starts to acquire data after an external pulse has been delivered. The parameter can be assigned an integer value of 0 to 65535. This value is in addition to the inherent delay time.

Example: When nGatedTime is 44 the gated time will be: (9.2µs + 0.25µs\*44) = 20.2µs = (9.2µs + 0.25µs\*nGatedTime)

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.for device 2,...etc.



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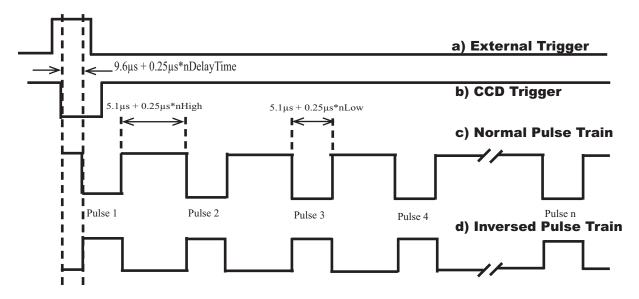
<sup>\*\*</sup>NOTE\*\* When 0 is assigned to nGatedTime, the function will be disabled.





### bwtekSetExtPulse

This function is used to generate a pulse train defined by nHigh, nLow and nPulse.



**nOnOff** will turn on or off the output pulse train. If 0 is assigned the output signal train will not be generated (no signal). If 1 is assigned, the output signal train will be synchronized with the CCD trigger pulse that is generated after the normal delay time of (9.6µs + 0.25µs\*nDelayTime).

**nDelayTime** is used to determine the delay time between the CCD trigger and the first pulse. This parameter can be assigned an integer value of 1 to 65535. This value is in addition to the inherent delay time. Example: When nDelayTime is 50, the total delay time will be  $(9.6\mu s + 0.25\mu s * 50) = 22.1\mu s = (9.6\mu s + 0.25\mu s * nDelayTime)$ 

**nHigh** is used to determine the high pulse width. The parameter can be assigned an integer value of 1 to 65535. This value is in addition to the inherent delay time. Example: When nHigh is 63, the high pulse width will be  $5.1\mu s + 0.25\mu s + 63 = 20.85\mu s = 5.1\mu s + 0.25\mu s + 0.15\mu s$ 

**nLow** is used to determine the low pulse width. The parameter can be assigned an integer value of 1 to 65535. This value is in addition to the inherent delay time. Example: When nLow is 56, the low pulse width will be  $5.1\mu s + 0.25\mu s *56 = 19.1\mu s = 5.1\mu s + 0.25\mu s *nLow$ 

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**nPulse** is used to set the number of pulses that are to be generated. The parameter can be assigned an integer value of 1 to 65535.

\*\*NOTE\*\* In the function bwtekSetTime the value assigned to the ITime parameter must be longer than (10.3µs + 0.23µs\*(nHigh+nLow)\*nPulse + 0.23µs\*nDelayTime)

**nInverse** is used to invert the output pulse train. 0 will output a the Normal Pluse Train, 1 will output an Inversed Pulse Train

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

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If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.



### **LED Functions:**

The following functions will work only with the BTF111 Model (MiniFluo) for turning On and Off the Excitation LED inside of this unit.

#### **bwtekLEDOn**

```
int bwtekLEDOn
(
  int nChannel //channel number to get data from
);
```

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.

### bwtekLEDOff

```
int bwtekLEDOff
(
  int nChannel //channel number to get data from
):
```

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### RETURN

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.

### **bwtekLEDDelay**

```
int bwtekLEDDelay
(
  unsigned int nDelay,  // time delay for the LED to be turned on units = ms
  int nChannel  // channel number to get data from
);
```

**nDelay** is used for setting the LED delay time in ms. Once a trigger signal is received nDelay ms must pass before the acquistion of the data begins. If nDelay is set to 0, there will be no delay time. The LED light must then be controlled manually by using both the bwtekLEDOn and bwtekLEDOff functions.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time *nChannel* setting 0 for device 1, *nChannel* setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.





### **Shutter Functions:**

The following functions work only with units which have shutters installed.

### **bwtekShutterOpen**

int bwtekShutterOpen();

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.

### **bwtekShutterClose**

int bwtekShutterClose();

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.





### **BTC251E Functions:**

The following functions work only with the BTC251E spectrometer.

#### bwtekSetGain

```
int bwtekSetGain
(
int nGain, // set the gain value
int nChannel // channel to get data from
);
```

This function is for setting the gain value of the analog output.

nGain is used to set the gain value of an analog output signal. It can be changed from 1 to 64.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.

### bwtekSetOffset

```
int bwtekSetOffset
(
int nOffset, // set the offset value
int nChannel // channel to get data from
)
```

This function is for setting the offset value of the analog output.

**nOffset** is used to set the offset value of an analog output signal. It can be set from 1 to 512.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.

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### bwtekGetGain

```
int bwtekGetGain
(
int *nGain, // return value of gain
int nChannel // channel to get data from
)
```

This function is for getting the gain value of the analog output.

\*nGain is a pointer to an array that will return the gain value of an analog output signal.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.

### bwtekGetOffset

```
int bwtekGetOffset
(
  int *nOffset, // return value of offset
  int nChannel // channel to get data from
)
```

This function is for getting the offset value of analog output.

\*nOffset is a pionter to an array that will return the offset value of an analog output signal.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### RETURN

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.



### BTC261E & BTC262E Functions:

The following functions work only with the BTC261E & BTC262E spectrometers.

#### bwtekSetABGain

This function is for setting the gain value of the analog output on either A or B channel.

**nAB** is used to choose between the **odd(A)** and **even(B)** pixel channels. Use 0 to control the odd(A) pixel channel and use 1 to control the even(B) pixel channel.

\*\*NOTE For the BTC262E nAB must always be 0. The BTC262E uses one channel for both odd and even pixels.

**nGain** is used to set the gain value of an analog output signal. It can be set from 1 to 1023.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2....etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.

#### bwtekSetABOffset

This function is for setting the offset value of the analog output on either A or B channel

**nAB** is used to choose between the **odd(A)** and **even(B)** pixel channels. Use 0 to control the odd (A) pixel channel and use 1 to control the even (B) pixel channel.

\*\*NOTE For the BTC262E nAB must always be 0. The BTC262E uses one channel for both odd and even pixels.

nOffset is used to set the offset value of an analog output signal. It can be set from 1 to 1023.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2....etc.

#### RFTURN

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.





### bwtekGetABGain

```
int bwtekGetABGain
 int nAB.
                // select between the odd(A) and even(B) pixel channels
 int *nGain,
                // return value of gain
 int nChannel // channel to get data from
```

This function is for getting the gain value of the analog output on either A or B channel

**nAB** is used to choose between the **odd(A)** and **even(B)** pixel channels. Use 0 to control the odd(A) pixel channel and use 1 to control the even(B) pixel channel.

\*\*NOTE For the BTC262E nAB must always be 0. The BTC262E uses one channel for both odd and even pixels.

\*nGain is a pointer to an array that will return the gain value of an analog output signal.

nChannel is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be

### bwtekGetABOffset

```
int bwtekGetABOffset
                // select between the odd(A) and even(B) pixel channels
 int nAB,
 int *nOffset.
                // return value of offset
 int nChannel // channel to get data from
```

This function is for getting the offset value of the analog output on either A or B channel

nAB is used to choose between the odd(A) and even(B) pixel channels. Use 0 to control the odd(A) pixel channel and use 1 to control the even(B) pixel channel.

\*\*NOTE For the BTC262E nAB must always be 0. The BTC262E uses one channel for both odd and even pixels.

\*nOffset is a pionter to an array that will return the offset value of an analog output signal.

nChannel is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.

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### BTC251E, BTC261E, & BTC262E Functions:

The following functions work with the BTC251E, BTC261E, & BTC262E spectrometers.

### bwtekSetInGaAsMode

This function is for choosing the detector mode: high dynamic range or high sensitivity range.

**nMode** is used to choose the feedback capacitor mode of the detector. Use 0 to set the mode to High Sen sitivity and 1 to set the mode to High Dynamic.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.

### bwtekGetInGaAsMode

```
int bwtekGetInGaAsMode
(
  int *nMode,  // select detector mode
  int nChannel  // channel to get data from
)
```

This function is for retrieving the detector mode setting: high dynamic range or high sensitivity range.

\*nMode is a pointer to an array that will return the value of the feedback capacitor mode setting. If 0 is returned the detector is in High Sensitity Mode and if 1 is returned the detector is in High Dynamic Mode.

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.

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### **BRC131E Functions:**

The following functions work with the BRC131E spectrometer.

### bwtekSetTimeBaseUSB

```
int bwtekSetTimeBaseUSB
(
long ITimeBase, // time base of the integration time int nChannel // channel to get data from );
```

This function is for setting a time base for the integration time

```
ITimeBase is used to set the time base.

ITimeBase = 1 --> time base is 10us

ITimeBase = 10 --> timebase is 100us

ITimeBase = 100 --> timebase is 1000us (1 ms)

ITimeBase = 1000 --> timebase is 1000us (10 ms)
```

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If the function call is successful, a positive integer will be returned, else a negative interger will be returned.





### **BTF113 Functions:**

The below functions work only with the BTF113 system.

### bwtekSetPulseNo

```
int bwtekSetPulseNo
(
int nPulseNo, // number of pulses
int nChannel // channel to get data from
);
```

There is no need to set the integration time when calling this function for the BTF113. When *bwtekSetPulseNo* is called the integration time will automatically be set according to the trigger pulse duration.

**nPulseNo** is used to set the number of pulses which will trigger the Xe lamp. The integration time will be set to *nPulseNo* multipled by the Xe Pulse Duration.

The default trigger pulse duration is about 10 ms Integration Time = 10 ms \* nPulseNo

\*\*Note\*\* To turn off the Xe lamp set the *nPulseNo* = 0

**nChannel** is used to address a specific spectrometer device to be operated when multiple spectrometer devices are involved. It should be set to 0 when there is only one device or for the first device when running multiple devices. A total of 7 spectrometer devices may be connected at one time nChannel setting 0 for device 1, nChannel setting 1 for device 2,...etc.

#### **RETURN**

If nPulseNo is positive, the return value will be the estimated integration time in milliseconds. The real integration time will be automatically set when this function is called. If the return value is 0, nPulseNo = 0, the Xe lamp will be turned off and the previous integration time will be kept.

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### Visual C++ and Visual Basic demo source code

In order to assist custom software development using the provided SDK Visual Basic and Visual C++ demo program and source codes are provided. The programs and source codes are **vcdlldemo**. **exe** and **vcdlldemo**.**exe** which can be found on the distribution CD from BW Tek.

In summary, function calls should be made following the following sequence for a BW Tek USB BTC111 or BRC111 spectrometer device:

- 1. bwtekTestUSB(0,2048,1.0,NULL)
- 2. bwtekSetTimeUSB(10,0)
- 3. bwtekDataReadUSB(0,pArray,0)
- 4. bwtekCloseUSB(0)

\*\*\*The SDK Package will come with serveral source code examples: VC++, C++ Builder, C#, VB, VBA, VB.NET, and Labview





## Appendix A: Default Parameters for bwtekTESTUSB

Model	Timing Mode	Pixel Number	Input Mode	Minimum Integration Time
BRC111A	1	2048	1	9 - 65535 ms
BRC112	1	2048	1	5 - 65535 ms
BRC131E	3	3680	1	9 - 65535 ms
BRC311	1	2048	1	9 - 65535 ms
BRC711E-512	3	512	2	3 - 65535 ms
BRC711E-1024	3	1024	2	3 - 65535 ms
BTC111	1	2048	1	9 - 65535 ms
BTC112	1	2048	1	5 - 65535 ms
BTC211	4	512	1	1 - 65535 ms
BTC221E-256	3	256	2	15 - 65535 ms
BTC251	4	512	1	1 - 65535 ms
BTC251E-512	3	512	11	1 - 65535 ms
BTC261E-256	3	256	13	1 - 65535 ms
BTC261E-512	3	512	13	1 - 65535 ms
BTC261E-1024	3	1024	13	1 - 65535 ms
BTC262E-256	3	256	14	1 - 65535 ms
BTC262E-512	3	512	14	1 - 65535 ms
BTC262E-1024	3	1024	14	1 - 65535 ms
BTC311	1	2048	1	9 - 65535 ms
BTC611E-512	6	512	2	27 - 65535 ms
BTC611E-1024	6	1024	2	50 - 65535 ms
BTC711E-512	3	512	2	15 - 65535 ms
BTC711E-1024	3	1024	2	15 - 65535 ms
BTC811 (In Development)	Future Product	2048		N/A

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Model	Timing Mode	Pixel Number	Input Mode	Minimum Integration Time
BTF111	1	2048	1	9 - 65535 ms
BTF113	1	2048	1	9 - 65535 ms
BTU111	1	2048	1	9 - 65535 ms
BTU112	1	2048	1	5 - 65535 ms
BRU111	1	2048	1	9 - 65535 ms
BRU112	1	2048	1	5 - 65535 ms
BTR111 (MiniRam)	1	2048	1	9 - 65535 ms
BTC500	NA	256	NA	3.33 - 19980 µs
BRC100	NA	2048	NA	35 - 65535 ms
BRC110	NA	2048	NA	35 - 65535 ms
BTC110	0	2048	1	21 - 65535 ms
BTC200	NA	512	NA	6 - 65535 ms
BTC251E-512-RS232	NA	512	NA	1 - 65535 ms
BTC320	NA	2048	NA	21 - 65535 ms
BTC15x	1	2048	1	35 - 65535 ms





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Go to our website to apply for an RMA (Return material authorization) number:

http://bwtek.com/rma.htm

Or Contact us by E-mail at info@bwtek.com

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- b. Date of shipment/purchase;
- c. Brief description of the problems encountered;
- d. Name of contact person and phone number(s) at your organization for further communication

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