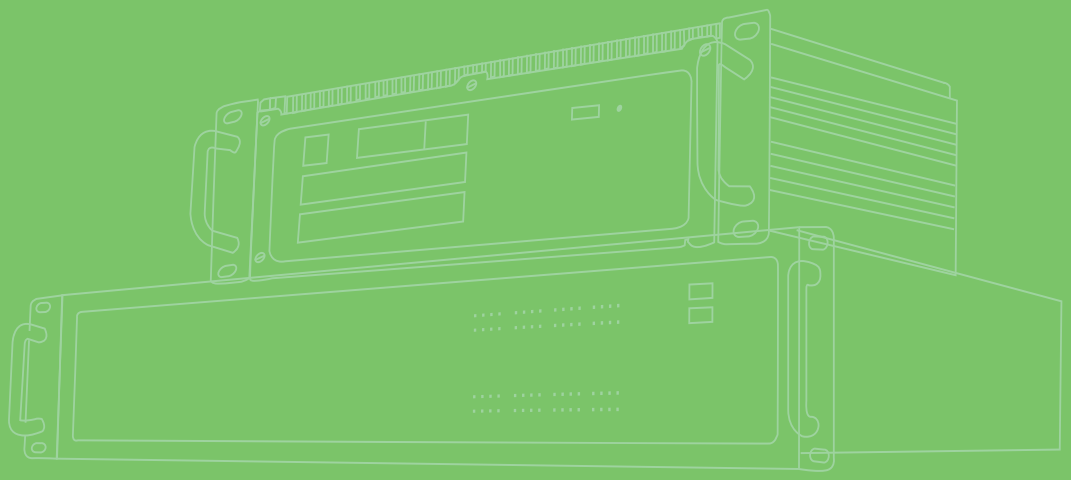

User Manual

ECU-125X Series (1251/1251D/1252)

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1. Collect all the information about the problem encountered. (For example, CPU speed, Advantech products used, other hardware and software used, etc.) Note anything abnormal and list any onscreen messages displayed when the problem occurs.
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CE

This product has passed the CE test for environmental specifications when shielded cables are used for external wiring. We recommend the use of shielded cables. This type of cable is available from Advantech. Please contact your local supplier for ordering information.

Test conditions for passing also include the equipment being operated within an industrial enclosure. In order to protect the product from damage caused by electrostatic discharge (ESD) and EMI leakage, we strongly recommend the use of CE-compliant industrial enclosure products.

FCC Class A

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 this event, users are required to correct the interference at their own expense.

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   - Product name and serial number
   - Description of your peripheral attachments
   - Description of your software (operating system, version, application software, etc.)
   - A complete description of the problem
   - The exact wording of any error messages

Packing List

Before system installation, check that the items listed below are included and in good condition. If any item does not accord with the list, contact your dealer immediately.

- ECU-125X
- 1 x warranty card
- Connector
- Din rail
- Screws

Safety Instructions

1. Read these safety instructions carefully.
2. Retain this user manual for future reference.
3. Disconnect the equipment from all power outlets before cleaning. Use only a damp cloth for cleaning. Do not use liquid or spray detergents.
4. For pluggable equipment, the power outlet socket must be located near the equipment and easily accessible.
5. Protect the equipment from humidity.
6. Place the equipment on a reliable surface during installation. Dropping or letting the equipment fall may cause damage.
7. The openings on the enclosure are for air convection. Protect the equipment from overheating. Do not cover the openings.
8. Ensure that the voltage of the power source is correct before connecting the equipment to a power outlet.
9. Position the power cord away from high-traffic areas. Do not place anything over the power cord.
10. All cautions and warnings on the equipment should be noted.
11. If the equipment is not used for a long time, disconnect it from the power source to avoid damage from transient overvoltage.
12. Never pour liquid into an opening. This may cause fire or electrical shock.
13. Never open the equipment. For safety reasons, the equipment should be opened only by qualified service personnel.
14. If any of the following occurs, have the equipment checked by service personnel:
    - The power cord or plug is damaged.
    - Liquid has penetrated the equipment.
    - The equipment has been exposed to moisture.
    - The equipment is malfunctioning, or does not operate according to the user manual.
    - The equipment has been dropped and damaged.
    - The equipment shows obvious signs of breakage.
15. Do not leave the equipment in an environment with a storage temperature of below -25° C (-13° F) or above 70° C (158° F) as this may damage the components. The equipment should be kept in a controlled environment.
16. CAUTION: Batteries are at risk of exploding if incorrectly replaced. Replace only with the same or equivalent type as recommended by the manufacturer. Discard used batteries according to the manufacturer's instructions.
17. Due to the sensitive nature of the equipment it must be stored in a restricted access location, only accessible by qualified engineers.
18. When installing this equipment, ensure that the Earth cable is securely attached using a 3.5mm screw.
19. The equipment does not include a power cord and plug.
20. In accordance with IEC 704-1:1982 specifications, the sound pressure level at the operator's position does not exceed 70 dB (A).

DISCLAIMER: These instructions are provided according to IEC 704-1 standards. Advantech disclaims all responsibility for the accuracy of any statements contained herein.

Safety Precautions - Static Electricity

Follow these simple precautions to protect yourself from harm and the products from damage.

- To avoid electrical shock, always disconnect the power from the PC chassis before manual handling. Do not touch any components on the CPU card or other cards while the PC is powered on.
- Disconnect the power before making any configuration changes. A sudden rush of power after connecting a jumper or installing a card may damage sensitive electronic components.

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Chapter 1

Overview

1.1 Introduction

For solar power, electricity and factory related applications which require a total wireless and Ethernet communication solutions, Advantech has released the ECU-1251 RISC-based industrial communication gateway. ECU-1251 has an open platform design with Cortex A8 processor, up to four RS-232/485 isolated serial ports, two 10/100 Ethernet ports and operating temperature range of -40~70° C. ECU-1251D has additional 4DI/4DO while ECU-1252 has CAN*2. The Linux operating system and open TagLink SDK enable system integrators to develop applications which precisely fit their need.

ECU-1251

ECU-1251D

ECU-1252

1.2 Specifications

1.2.1 General

- **Certification:** CE, FCC
- **Mounting:** Wall-Mount/ DIN-Rail
- **Power Consumption:** 2.4W @ $24V_{DC}$
- **Power Requirements:** 10 ~ 30 V_{DC}

1.2.2 System

- **CPU:**
  - TI Cortex A8, 800MHz (ECU-1251)
  - TI Cortex A8, 600MHz (ECU-1251D)
  - TI Cortex A9, 600MHz (ECU-1252)
- **Memory:**
  - DDR3L 256MB (ECU-1251)
  - DDR3L 256MB (ECU-1251D)
  - DDR3L 2GB (ECU-1252)
- **Indicators:** Power, LAN (LINK, ACT), Serial (Tx, Rx), Programmable
- **Storage for system:**
  - 1GB Micro-SD card (ECU-1251)
  - 512MB NAND Flash (ECU-1251D)
  - 16GB eMMC (ECU-1252)
- **SD Slot:** 1 x Micro-SD slot
- **Watchdog:** Yes
- **Node ID:** 8-bit
- **Real-time clock:** Yes

1.2.3 Communication

- **Serial Port:**
  - 4 x RS-232/485 (ECU-1251)
  - 2 x RS-232/485 (ECU-1251D)
  - 2 x RS-232/485 (ECU-1252)
- **Isolation:** 3000 V_{DC}
- **Serial Port Speed:** 50 ~ 115200 bps
- **Ethernet Port:** 2 x ~~10/100 Base-T~~ RJ-45 ports
- **USB Port:** 1 x USB2.0 (ECU-1251)
- **CAN Port:** 2 x CAN (2PIN)
- **Wireless (Optional):** Interface: 1x Mini-PCIe (Full-size)

1.2.4 Software

- **OS Support:** Linux Kernel 4.9
- **Programming:** Linux C

1.2.5 Environment

- **Humidity:** 5~95% (non-condensing)
- **Operating Temperature:** -40 ~ 70° C
- **Storage Temperature:** -40~85° C

1.3 Safety Precautions

The following messages informs how to make each connection. In most cases, you will simply need to connect a standard cable.

Warning! *Always disconnect the power cord from your chassis whenever you are working on it. Do not connect while the power is on. A sudden rush of power can damage sensitive electronic components. Only experienced electronics personnel should open the chassis.*

Caution! *Always ground yourself to remove any static electric charge before touching ECU-1251 Series. Modern electronic devices are very sensitive to static electric charges. Use a grounding wrist strap at all times. Place all electronic components on a static-dissipative surface or in a static-shielded bag.*

Note! *If DC voltage is supplied by an external circuit, please put a protection device in the power supply input port.*

1.4 Chassis Dimensions

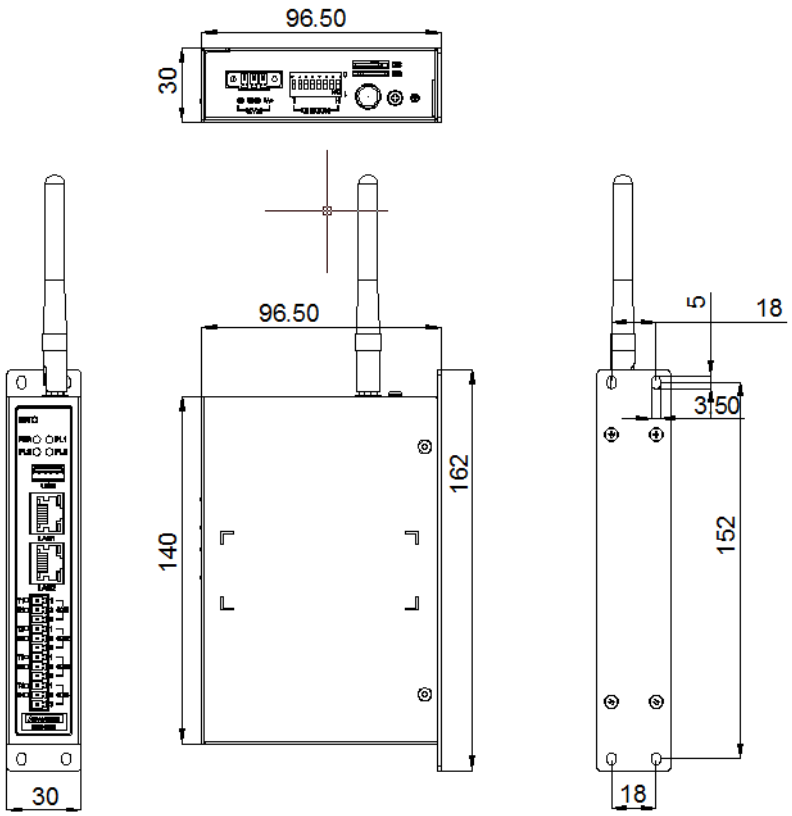


Figure 1.1 ECU-1251 Chassis Dimensions

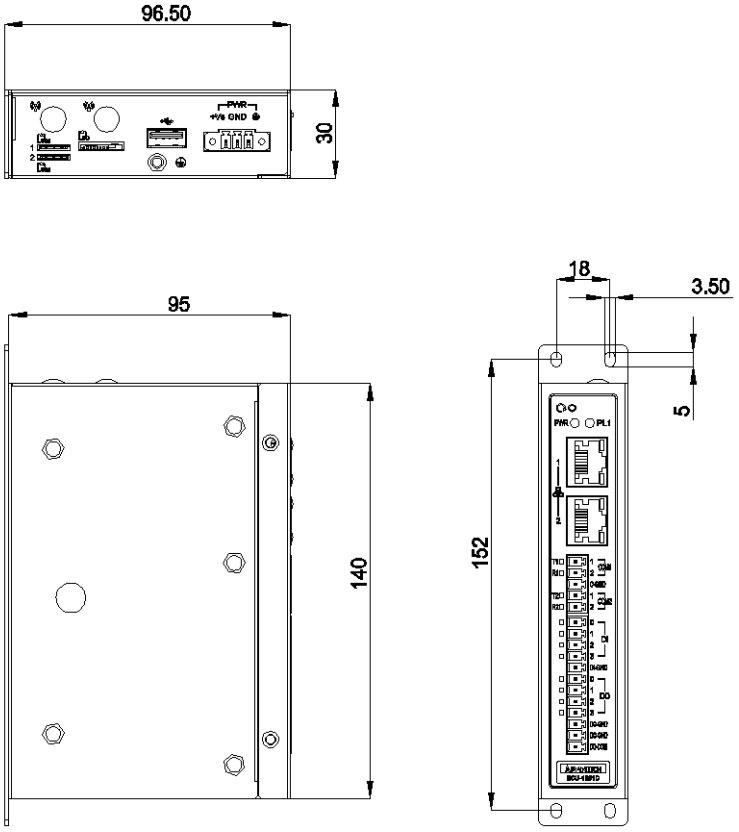


Figure 1.2 ECU-1251D Chassis Dimensions

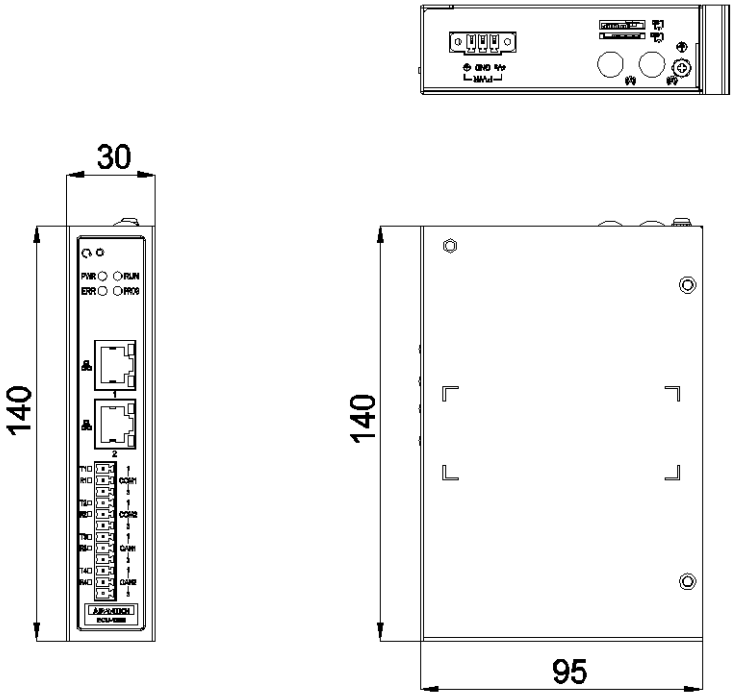


Figure 1.3 ECU-1252 Chassis Dimensions

Chapter 2

Hardware Functionality

2.1 Overview

The following figures show the panel configuration on ECU-1251. More information of each peripheral is included in the following sections.

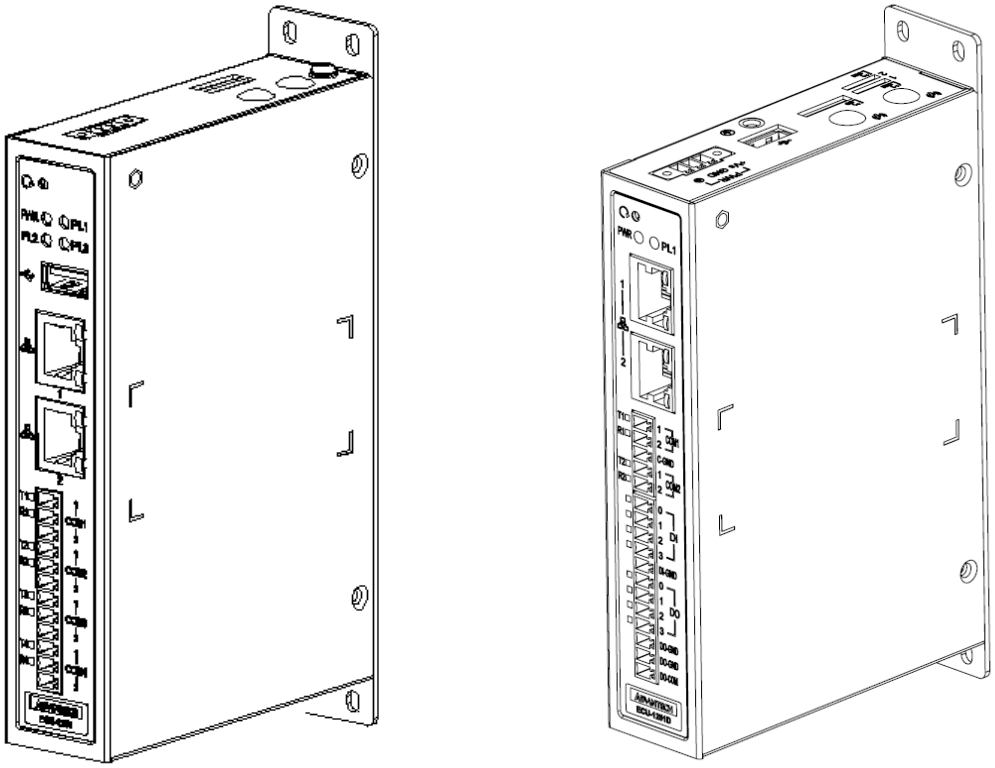


Figure 2.1 ECU-1251/ECU-1251D Overview

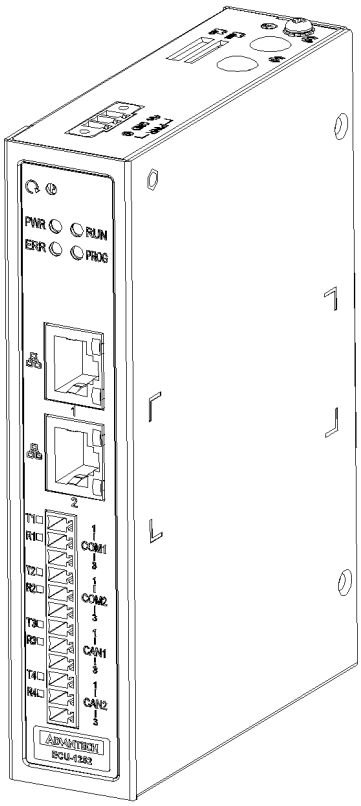


Figure 2.2 ECU-1252 Overview

2.2 LED Status Indicators

~~The LEDs in the front panel can be divided into 4 groups:~~

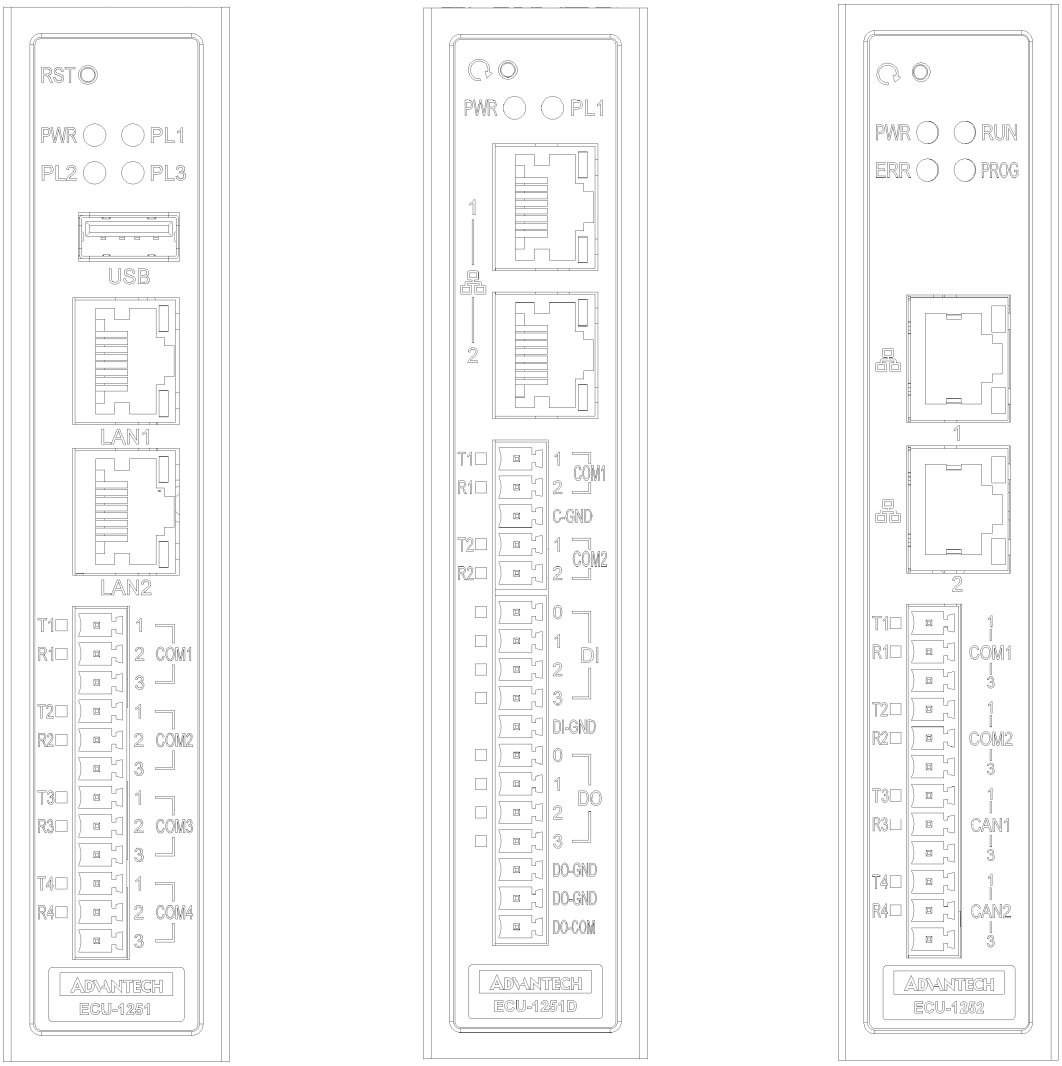
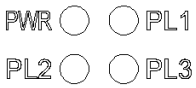


Figure 2.3 ECU-1251/ECU-1251D/ECU-1252 LED Status Indicator

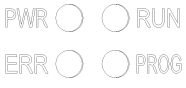
2.2.1 System Status Indicators

ECU-1251



ECU-1251D

ECU-1252



LED	Status	Description
PWR	Green	Power is on
	Off	Power is off
PL	Green	Customers can define the programmable LED state according to their actual need
	Off	

2.2.2 Serial Communication Status Indicator

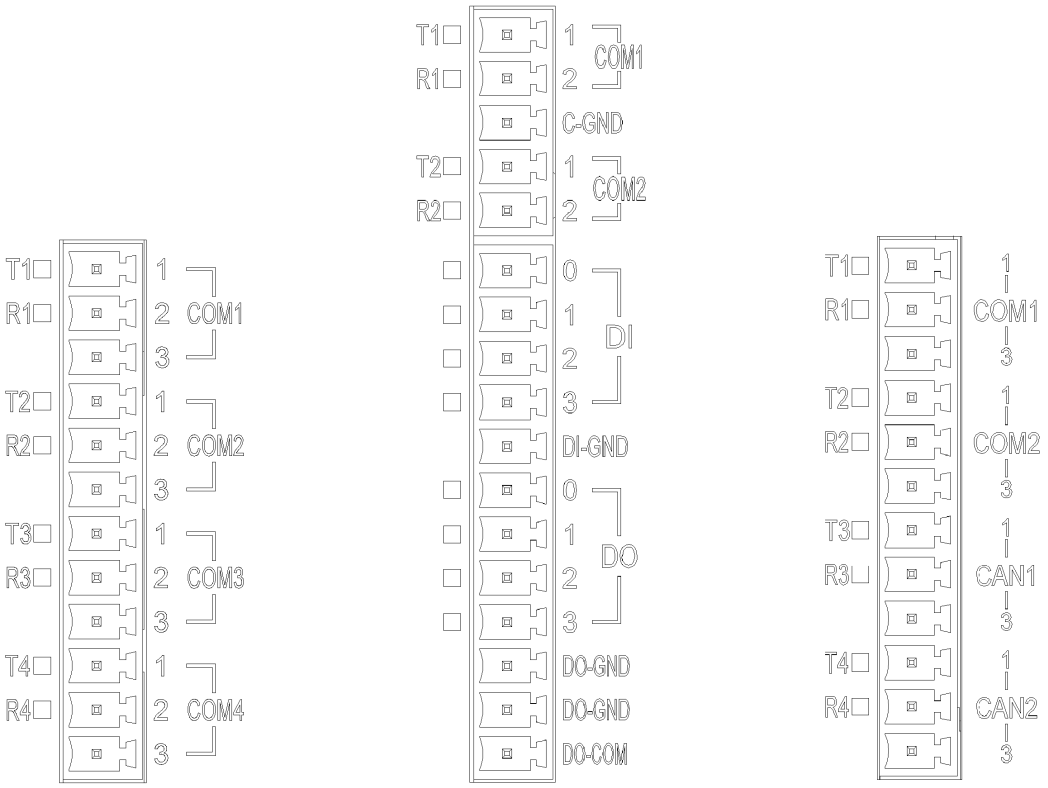
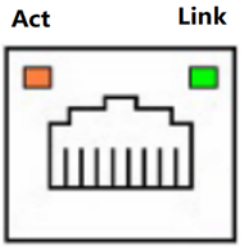


Figure 2.4 ECU-1251/ECU-1251D/ECU-1252 Serial Status Indicator

LED	Color	Description
TX1	Orange	Blinking, Serial port 1 data being transmitted
RX1	Green	Blinking, Serial port 1 data being received
TX2	Orange	Blinking, Serial port 2 data being transmitted
RX2	Green	Blinking, Serial port 2 data being received
TX3	Orange	Blinking, Serial port 3 data being transmitted
RX3	Green	Blinking, Serial port 3 data being received
TX4	Orange	Blinking, Serial port 4 data being transmitted
RX4	Green	Blinking, Serial port 4 data being received

2.2.3 Ethernet Status Indicator

ECU-1251, ECU-1251D



LED	Status	Description
Link (Port 1~2)	Off	10 Mbps network linked
	Green	100 Mbps network linked
Act (Port 1~2)	Orange On	No data being transmitted
	Orange Blinking	Data being transmitted

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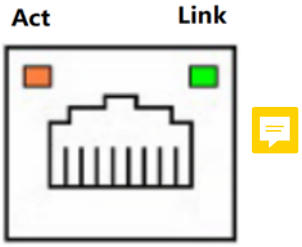


LED	Status	Description
Link (Port 1~2)	Off	10 Mbps network linked
	Orange	100 Mbps network linked
	Green	1000 Mbps network linked
Act (Port 1~2)	Green On	No data being transmitted
	Green Blinking	Data being transmitted

Chapter 3

Wiring and Installation

3.1 Wiring

3.1.1 Power Supply Wiring

ECU-125X supports power input ranging from ~~and~~ 10V_{DC} to 30V_{DC}.

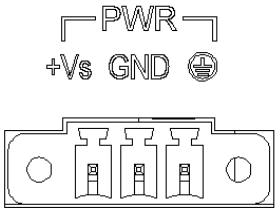


Figure 3.1 Power Supply Wiring

Table 3.1: AC/DC Power Input Connector Pin Definition

Function	Pin	Screen Printing	Function Description
Power Input	1	+Vs	PWR V+ DC power input PIN
	2	GND	PWR V- DC power input PIN
	3	⏚	GND

3.1.2 Communication Ports

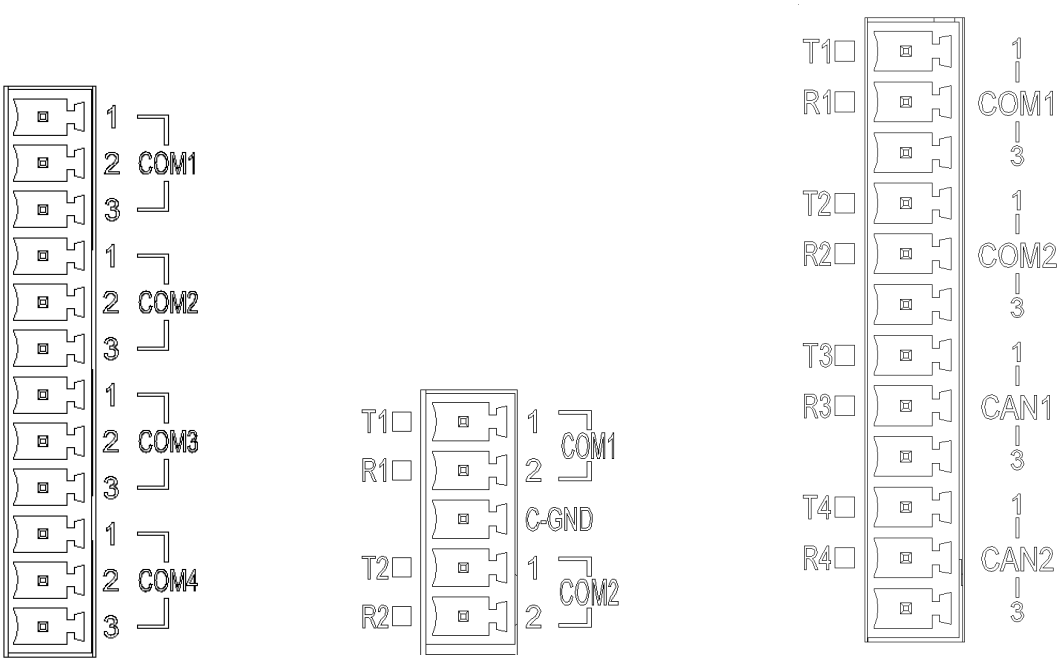


Figure 3.2 ECU-1251/ECU-1251D/ECU-1252 Serial Ports

Table 3.2: RS-232/485 Serial Ports (Pin Assignments)

Pins	1	2	3
RS-232	Rx	Tx	GND
RS-485	Data+	Data-	GND

3.1.3 USB Port

ECU-1251 is equipped with one USB 2.0 Type A port for optional extension choice.

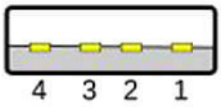


Figure 3.3 USB Connector

Table 3.3: USB Connector Pin Assignment

Pin	Signal
1	VCC
2	DATA-
3	DATA+
4	GND

3.1.4 LAN Port

Figure 3.4 LAN Connectors

Table 3.4: LAN Connector Pin Assignments

Pin	Assignment	Description
1	TD+	Transmit+
2	TD-	Transmit-
3	RD+	Receive+
4	N/C	Not used
5	N/C	N/C
6	RD-	Receive-
7	N/C	N/C
8	N/C	N/C

3.1.5 Node ID

ECU-1251 has an 8-bit node ID. ~~The detailed definition is as follows:~~

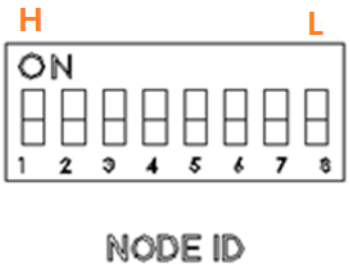


Figure 3.5 Dial Switch Setting

Table 3.5: ECU-1251 Node ID Setting	
Node ID	8-bit, support 0~255 devices. In peer to peer application, the Node ID should be 1~255.

3.1.6 Digital Input/Digital Output Port

ECU-1251D supports 4 digital input and 4 digital output ports, wiring is shown as below.

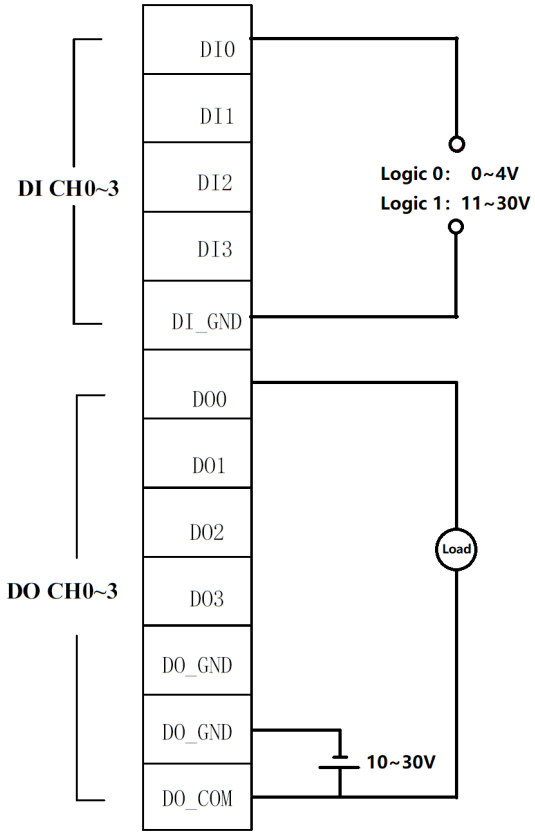


Figure 3.6 DI/O Wiring

3.2 Jumper Setting

3.2.1 Jumper Setting

The motherboard of ECU-125X has two types of jumper for user operation, as shown below.

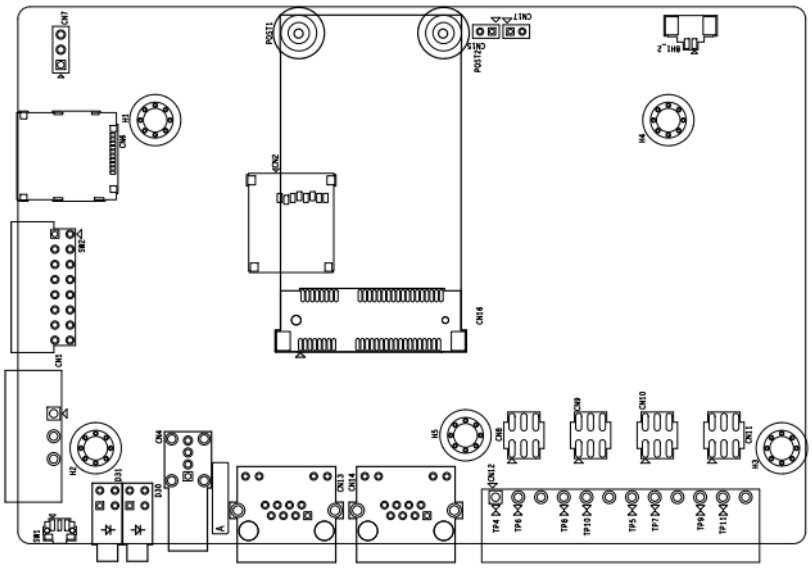


Figure 3.7 ECU-1251 Jumper on the Back Motherboard

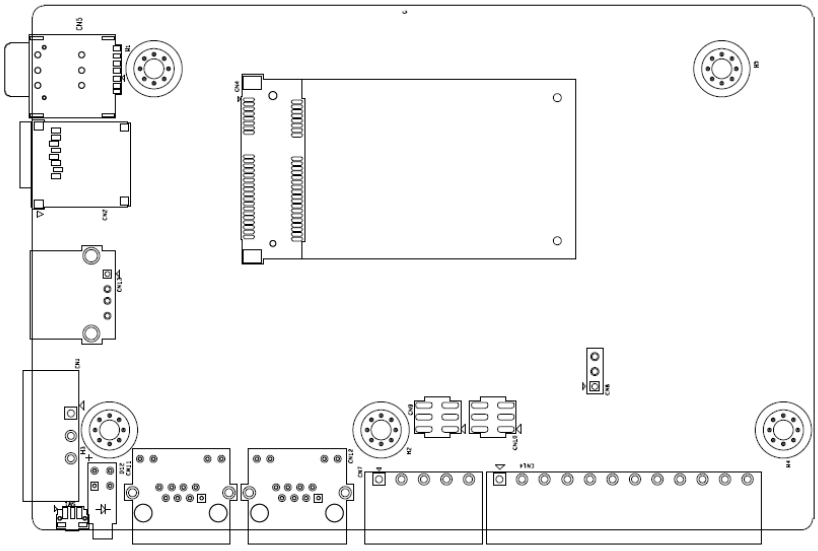


Figure 3.8 ECU-1251D Jumper on the Back Motherboard

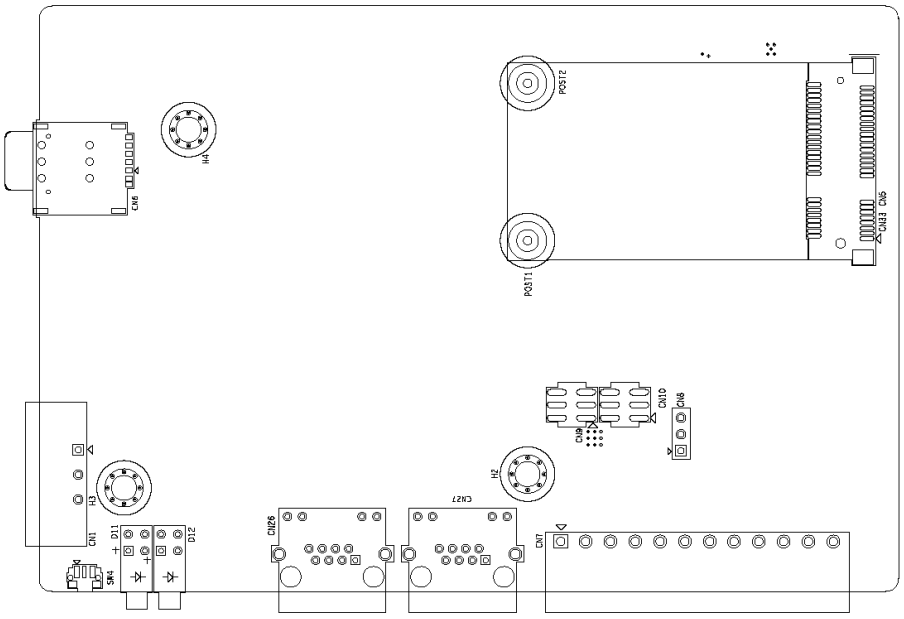
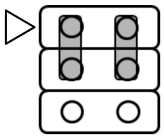
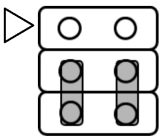
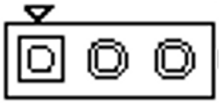


Figure 3.9 ECU-1252 Jumper on the Back Motherboard

Table 3.6: Jumper Setting of Terminal Resistor For COM

Location		Description
CN8 CN9 CN10 CN11		Data+/Data- of RS-485
		RX/TX of RS-232

3.2.2 Debug Port



PIN	Definition
1	COM Debug TX
2	COM Debug RX
3	GND

3.3 Installation

3.3.1 Wall-mounted and DIN-Rail Installation

ECU-125X supports two types of installation: Wall-mounted and DIN-Rail Installation. For wall-mounted installation, users can fix the device on the wall with 4 screws as shown below.

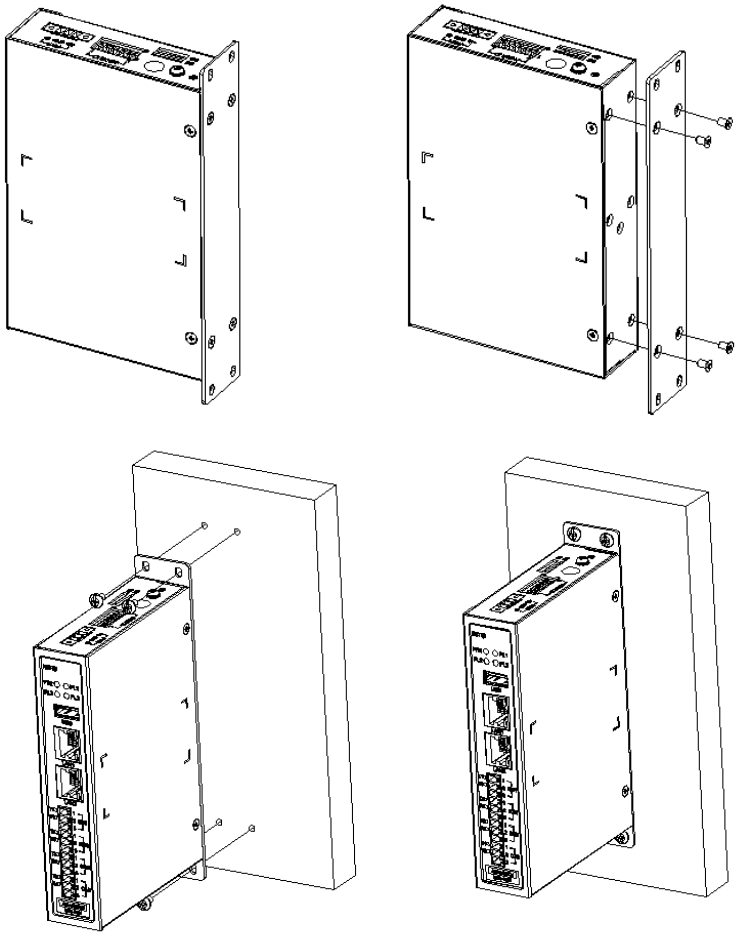


Figure 3.10 Wall-mounted Installation

For DIN-Rail installation. Assembly DIN-Rail bracket and install with screws on the back, then fix on the DIN-Rail itself - detailed steps are shown below:

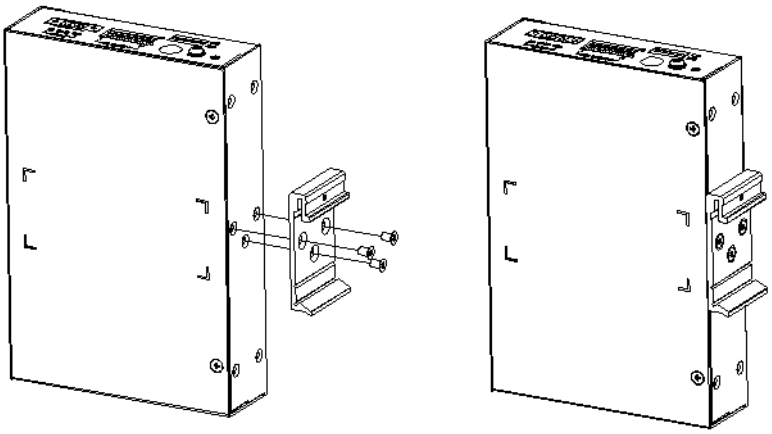


Figure 3.11 Vertical DIN-Rail Bracket Installation

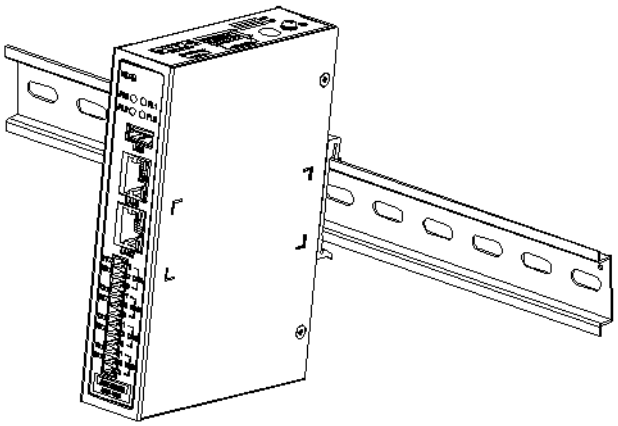


Figure 3.12 Vertical DIN-Rail Installation

3.3.2 SD&SIM Card Installation

ECU-125X series is equipped with a Micro SD slot and a SIM slot.

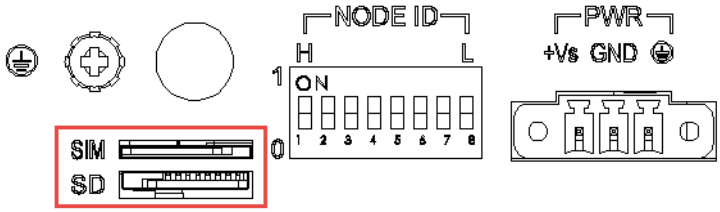
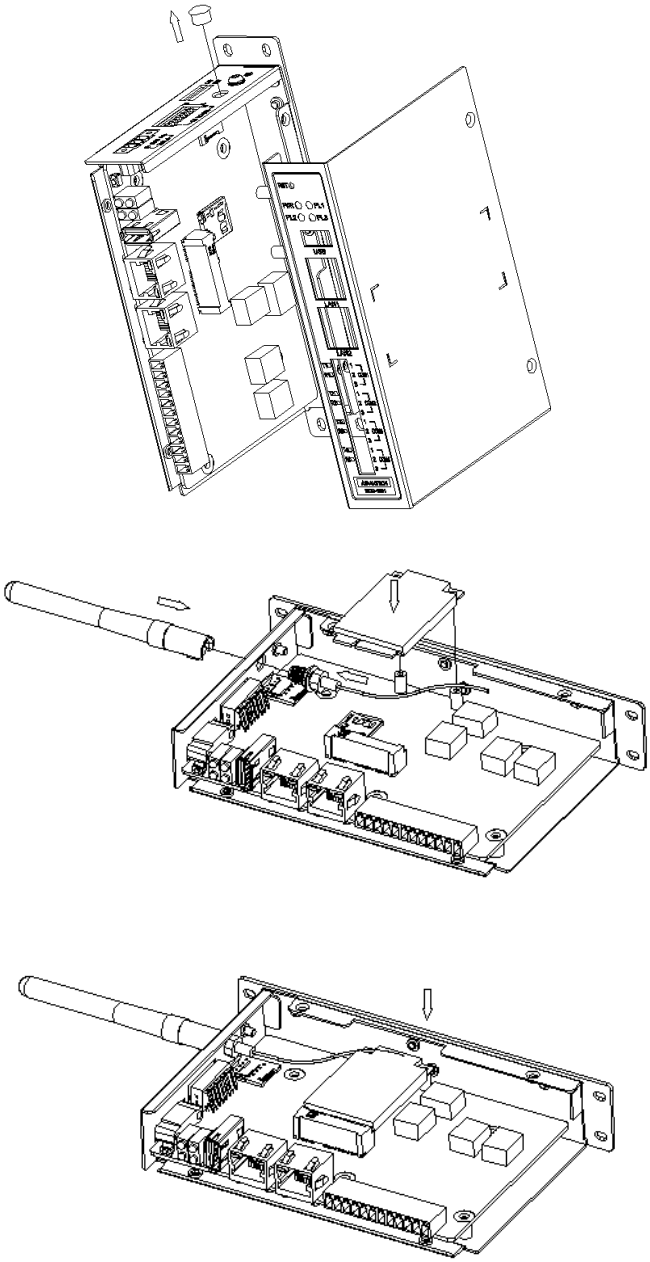


Figure 3.13 SD &SIM Card Installation

3.3.3 Installing a Wireless Module Card and Antenna (Optional)

For optional wireless module card and antenna, please contact Advantech for wireless solution kit.

- Top panel with pre-cut antenna holes.



- Wireless module card (mPCIE), internal coaxial cable with standard SMA connector and antenna.
  For more information about internal coaxial cable, please refer to the datasheet or contact Advantech.

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