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Specifications

DMX512 interfaces	1, 2, 4, 8 or 16
Supported protocols	DMX512, RDM (E1.20), ArtNet (I,II,III,4), sACN
	(E1.31, draft and release), KiNet (v1 and v2)
	RTTrPL, HTTP, etc.
DMX data refresh rate	44 Hz default, may be changed if necessary
I/O connectors	Depends on the modification
Max current consumption	0.1 A
Setup	web interface, specialized software ArtGate,
	ArtNet standard tools
Power supply	~90-250 V, 50/60 Hz or Power-over-Ethernet (PoE)
Fuse	0.1 A

General information

ArtGate is the series of full-featured converters for converting network protocols ArtNet and sACN to light fixtures control protocol DMX512. Through their 1, 2, 4, 8, 12 or 16 DMX ports, LAN interface and Optical port (ArtJet Pro and GigaJet Pro), the devices transmit and receive DMX512 data streams via Ethernet LAN functioning in 10Base T or 100Base-T mode (100Base-FX in ArtJet Pro, 1000Base-FX in GigaJet Pro). Compatibility with ArtNet and sACN protocols enables the use of ArtGate devices in a network of heterogeneous devices from other manufacturers. As well as the standard broadcast data transfer ArtNet, ArtGate devices also support point-to-point data transfer in the local network or via the Internet. Address settings of the device (name, SubNet, Universe) and network settings (IP address, subnet mask, UDP-port), standard software tools for ArtNet networks, such as DMX Workshop, as well as using the web based interface. Web interface allows changing advanced settings of ArtGate devices not covered by the ArtNet standard, such as:DMX signal direction and merge mode for each port physical characteristics (timing) of DMX512 signal data stream transmission and reception modes in ArtNet network In addition, specialized utility software allows advanced users to assign custom MAC address to the Ethernet interface of the device and restore default settings of the device. ArtGate series is powered by AC ~90-250 V, 50/60 Hz, or from Ethernet using the Power-over-Ethernet technology (depends on modification).

Safe operation

In the installation, operation, preventive maintenance and repairs of the device, the requirements of the safety rules must be followed. To ensure safe and reliable operation of the devices, please observe the following requirements: Use the device only for its intended purpose; Do not use devices that shows signs of malfunctioning; Avoid strong physical impacts on the device; Protect devices and cables from contact with corrosive liquids. Whenever a fault is detected in the device, please contact the manufacturer.

Warning!

The device uses hazardous voltage AC 90-250V

Merging

• HTP: highest takes precedence

• LTP: latest takes precedence

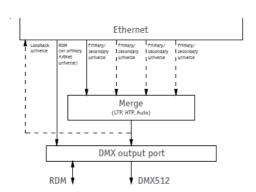
• AUTO: last modified takes precedence - intelligent merging mode

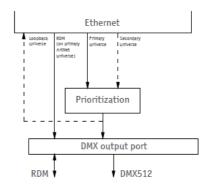
• PRIORITY: for sACN streams with priority tag

• BACKUP: primary/secondary universe backup

• TRIGGER and X-FADE: dedicated channel / dedicated universe controllable merging

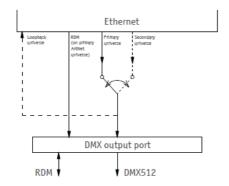
Merging and other output ports procedures for different merge modes are shown in Pic2, Pic3, Pic4, Pic5.

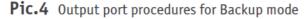


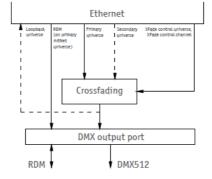


Pic.2 Output port procedures for LTP,HTP, Auto modes

Pic.3 Output port procedures for Priority mode







Pic.5 Output port procedures for Trigger and XFade modes

Input processing

When configured as input, DMX port of ArtGate can convert the DMX512 signal to ArtNet, sACN, or another type of universe. Universe type and protocol for input ports is always taken from primary universe settings. Input port

can respond to RDM requests. Each port of one device has it's own RDM UID.

Standalone merger

ArtGate devices may be used as standalone (without permanent Ethernet connection) mergers. When 2 or more input ports are configured with the same universe protocol/number, DMX streams from them can be merged and outputted to another output port which must have the same protocol/number too to provide such feature. This configuration may work even if device is not connected to Ethernet.

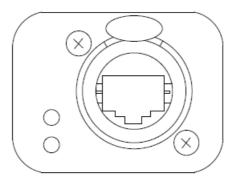
Trigger inputs

Some ArtGate models have trigger features. When the trigger is activated, static scene stored in non-volatile memory is recalled and set for all DMX ports. The trigger is activated via "dry contact" inputs, which can be configured for working with normally opened and normally closed sensors (smoke sensors, buttons, etc). Each Trigger input can be also configured as an alarm input. When an alarm is activated, device returns to normal work only after power cycle or manual reset, not just input deactivation. By default, static scenes for all triggers are "all channels to 100%". Users can set up the custom scene on all used DMX ports and then capture and save the scene for necessary trigger

Connection types

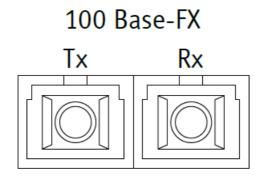
Ethernet connection

The device is connected to the network via RJ-45. All ArtGate devices have two LEDs to indicate the status of the network connection. If there is no Ethernet connection, both LEDs are off, if the network is connected, one LED is constantly on, and the other one flashes when data are transmitted and received over the network. Each device has unique IP and MAC addresses. The device's IP address, subnet mask, and other network parameters can be changed, but even in this case, the device is still available on the original IP address (2.x.x.x) for ping and http requests. Thus, even in case of loss of the new IP address, the device can be accessed on the network using the original IP address through the web interface.



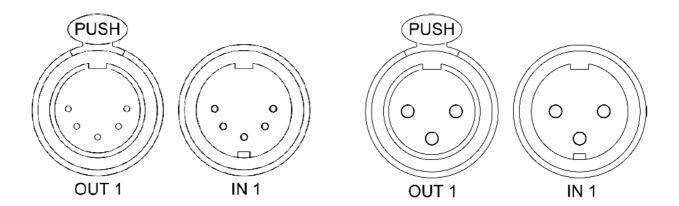
Fiber optics connections

ArtJet devices are equipped with 100 Mbit fiber optics port (duplex SC connectors). Fiber optics port works as another network interface, with functionality similar to an Ethernet port. When connected both to fiber optics and ethernet, device acts as a network switch/media converter.



DMX connections

XLR 5-pin connectors are used to connect external master and slave devices to DMX ports. If necessary, the device can be equipped with XLR three-pin connectors. Each port on the 2 and 4-port devices has 2 connectors — one M connector and one F connector, which allow the port to pass-through the DMX bus. On 8 and 16-port devices and ArtGate Compact, each port has single connector of type F. Each port is equipped with internal 120 ohms terminator which can be enabled via web interface.

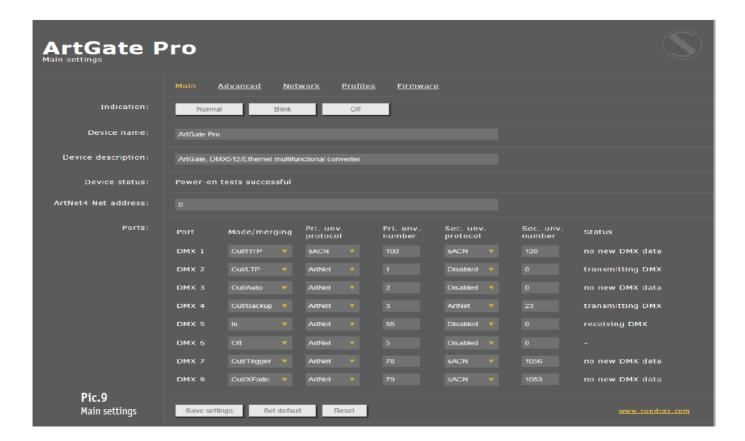


Web interface settings

ArtGate devices support configuring most of their parameters through the Web interface using HTTP protocol (TCP port 80).

Main settings

To access the settings page enter the IP address of the device to the browser. Main settings page of the ArtGate device will be displayed.



Indication – switching LED indication modes:

Normal Indication depending on the current port status

Blink Search mode Off LEDs are off

Device name Editable device name (up to 17 characters)

Device description Editable device description (up to 63 characters)

Device status Current state of the device

ArtNet 4 Net address Network number (0-127, only for ArtNet 4)

Ports - configuration and status for each DMX ports

Mode/merging Port direction and merge mode for output

Pri. unv. protocol
Pri. unv. number
Sec. unv. protocol
Sec. unv. number
Status

Primary universe protocol
Primary universe number
Secondary universe number
Current state of the port

To save the changes in main settings, click «Save settings».

To restore default values of main settings, click «Set default».

To reset to the current saved values of main settings, click «Reset».

Advanced settings

To edit the advanced settings of the device, click on the link "Advanced".



DMX signal timing – sets the parameters of the output DMX signal for all ports:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \textbf{Break} & \text{from 4 to 1000 } \mu s \\ \textbf{MaB} & \text{from 4 to 1000 } \mu s \end{array}$

Data slots 1 to 512

Pause from 0 to 10000 µs

DMX line terminator — enables (selected) or disables (cleared) termination resistor between D+ and D- wires of DMX line on each port.

Options - enable/disable device features.

Advanced port settings – settings for advanced features for each port:

Src. timeoutUniverse source timeout, in secondsTrigger/XFade unv. protocolXFade/Trigger control universe protocolTrigger/XFade unv. numberXFade/Trigger control universe number

Trigger/XFade control channel
Loop. unv. protocol
Loop. unv. number

XFade/Trigger control channel
Loop back universe protocol
Loop back universe number

Triggers/alarms – (for ArtGates equipped with Trigger inputs)- setup the mode of Trigger inputs:

Input Trigger/Sensor input

Mode Operating mode (disabled, trigger/alarm sensor normally open/closed)

Delay, ms Delay for triggering in milliseconds

Status Current status of input (open, closed, active, alarm)

Action Save the current state of all DMX ports as scene to recall on trigger activation

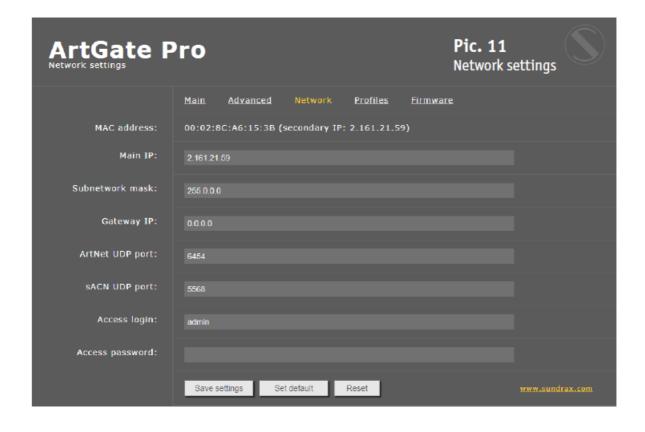
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Network settings

To edit the network settings of the device, click on the link "Network".



MAC address Hardware address and secondary (permanent) IP-address of the device

Main IP Set the main network address of the device

Subnetwork mask Set the mask of the IP-subnet

Gateway IP address Set the network address of the gateway

(if ability to operate via the Internet is required)

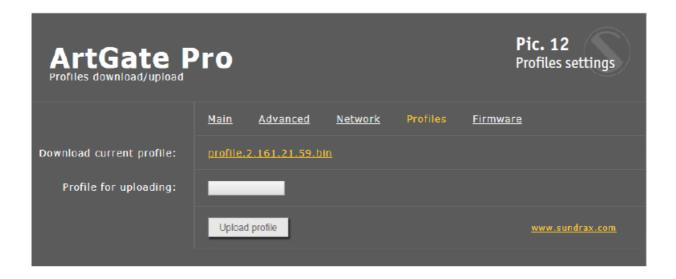
Art-Net UDP port Set the UDP-port for ArtNet protocol SACN UDP port Set the UDP-port for sACN protocol

Access login/password Login and password for access to web-interface of device.

If password is empty, authentification is not performed

Profiles

For profile operations, click on the link «Profiles».



Download current profile profile for uploading Upload the profile Download the current settings as a file Select the file of the previously saved profile To upload the selected profile in the device

Firmware update

To update the firmware of the device, click on the link «Firmware».



- · Reboot Device reboot button
- Current firmware name and version

- New firmware file Select the firmware file to upload to the device
- Update firmware Upload the selected firmware file

After the software update downloading, need to accept updating by clicking the button «Reboot».

Technical maintenance

Maintenance, search and troubleshooting should be performed by service personnel. The device should be free from dirt, and dents, and connecting cables and wires must be intact and securely fastened

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