



# AVN-DIO12

## Dual Mono Microphone Input to Dante® with Mic Gain Handbook



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The product is shipped with the following equipment so please check to ensure that you have all of the items below. If anything is missing, please contact the supplier of your equipment immediately.

Item	Quantity
Product Unit	1

### Repairs & Returns

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### Atmosphere/Environment

This apparatus should be installed in an area that is not subject to excessive temperature variation (<0°C, >50°C), moisture, dust or vibration. This apparatus shall not be exposed to dripping or splashing, and no objects filled with water, such as vases shall be placed on the apparatus.

# AVN-DIO12 Dual Microphone Input to Dante® with Mic Gain Converter



Fig 1: AVN-DIO12 Front Panel

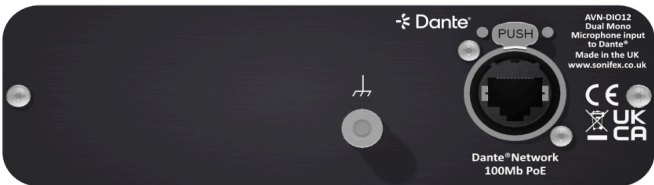


Fig 2: AVN-DIO12 Rear Panel

The AVN-DIO12 is a dual microphone input to Dante converter with adjustable mic gain in the Sonifex DIO range of Dante input/output devices. It features 2 balanced analogue XLR inputs and one Neutrik etherCON connector for direct connection to a Dante AoIP network. Each mic can be routed via Dante Controller to any Dante receiver.

It's powered using Power over Ethernet (PoE), using a Neutrik etherCON connector for power and data redundancy. The AVN-DIO12 uses the latest Audinate Dante chipset so is AES67 and Dante Domain Manager compliant.

### Gain Adjustment

The AVN-DIO12 has coarse and fine mic gain for each microphone input. The coarse gain is set using the toggle switch, which provides 14dB/44dB of gain. The fine gain can be set using a trimmer adjustment tool, or small flat blade screwdriver, and adds between 0dB and 42dB of additional gain.

### High Pass Filter

Each microphone input has an on/off toggle switch which turns the high pass filter on or off. When enabled, it acts on frequencies below 125Hz at a roll-off of 6dB/octave.

### Phantom Power

Phantom power is enabled/disabled via a toggle switch on the front panel for each microphone input. When enabled, a 48V DC supply is provided to power an appropriate microphone. The red LED next to each input will illuminate to indicate phantom power is enabled.

### Audio Level LED

To help you set the mic gain, a level LED is provided on the front panel for each microphone input to display the audio level being sent to the Dante network. The indicator thresholds are as follows:

- Off: Level is under -38dBFS (-20dBu)
- Green: Level is between -38dBFS (-20dBu) and -18dBFS (0dBu)
- Amber: Level is between -18dBFS (0dBu) and -10dBFS (+8dBu)
- Red: Level is above -10dBFS (+8dBu)

Note: when using a phantom powered microphone, it may be necessary to earth the unit using the rear panel earth tag to eliminate mains hum.

## Setup

First connect microphones to the mic inputs this will allow them to be transmitted over the Dante network.

Connect the device to a PoE enabled switch using an Ethernet cable, the device will automatically turn on. If the switch does not support PoE, a PoE injector can be used to provide power.

By default the Dante IP address is obtained automatically, therefore the device will automatically appear in Dante Controller. If your device does not appear in Dante Controller please see the Network Troubleshooting section of this manual.

A computer on the same network can configure connections between the DIO and other Dante enabled devices, using Dante Controller.

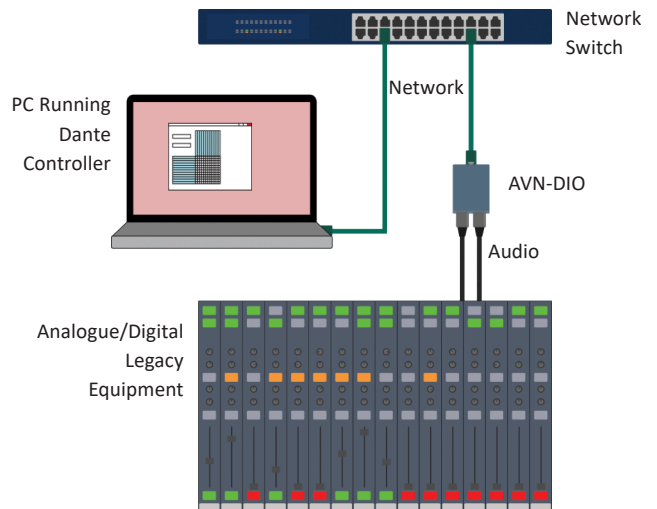


Fig 3: Typical AVN-DIO setup

### Link

Link status is indicated using the top-left status LED. Once power has been supplied to the unit the link status LED turns red. The link status LED turns amber when a link is established with a link speed of 100 Mbps.

Link activity is indicated using the top-right status LED which blinks when incoming or outgoing data is sensed on the port.

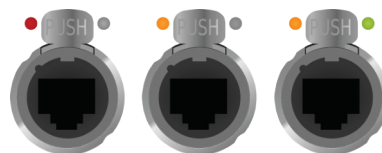


Fig 4: Power, Link, and Activity LEDs

## Dante Controller

Once a link has been established Dante Controller can be used to configure the device. Dante Controller is an application provided by Audinate and can be downloaded from their website.

<https://www.audinate.com/>

Within Dante Controller the unit should be visible within the Routing tab.

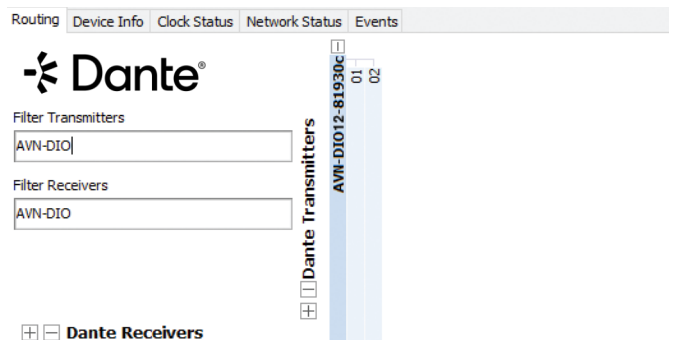


Fig 5: Dante Controller - Routing tab

## Network Troubleshooting

If the device does not show up in Dante Controller please check that the Ethernet cable is correctly connected and that the device and computer are on the same network.

If the computer and the device are on different IP subnets, the device will appear in Dante Controller with red text:

Device Name	Sync	Mute	Clock Source	Domain Status	Primary Status
AVN-CU4-0006dc	<span style="color: green;">■</span>		Dante	N/A	Slave
Matt-PC	<span style="color: green;">■</span>		Dante	N/A	Slave
Recording-Studio	<span style="color: green;">■</span>		Dante	N/A	<b>Master</b>
AVN-DIO12-81930c	<span style="color: red;">■</span>		Dante	N/A	Slave

Fig 6: Red device name indicates network configuration error

Opening the **Device View** for the device will provide details about the problem.

Dante Controller has discovered an address for device 'AVN-DIO12-81930c' that does not match the subnet configuration of the local Dante interface 'Ethernet 2'.

Possible causes of this problem include:

- Multiple DHCP servers on the network
- Using a static IP address on a local interface that is on a different subnet to the DHCP address obtained by the device

Details:

- Resolved device address on Dante interface is 192.168.1.200
- Local address on Primary Dante interface 'Ethernet 2' is 10.0.60.1/255.0.0.0

Fig 7: Error details

In this example notice the device is on the 192.168.1.X subnet and the computer is on the 10.X.X.X subnet. To access the device, edit the computer's IP address.

In Windows 10, type **View Network Connections** into the search bar. Right-click the network that the device is connected to and select **Properties**. Double click **Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)** in the item list and edit the IP address.

Obtain an IP address automatically

Use the following IP address:

IP address: 192 . 168 . 1 . 201

Subnet mask: 255 . 255 . 255 . 0

Default gateway: . . .

Fig 8: Windows IPv4 settings

Save the changes made to the settings then close and re-open Dante Controller. The device should now appear correctly.

**Note:** if your computer has multiple network interfaces on the same physical network or IP subnet this can lead to unexpected results, in this case those interfaces can be disabled. To do this in Windows 10, type **View Network Connections** into the search bar, right-click the network connection to disable, and select **Disable**.

In Dante Controller the device's configuration should now be accessible. The device can now be configured and the network settings can be modified so that the device is in the correct IP subnet.

Dante Redundancy

Current:

New:

This feature cannot be configured

Addresses

Obtain an IP Address Automatically (default)

Manually configure an IP Address

IP Address: 10 . 0 . 60 . 2

Netmask: 255 . 0 . 0 . 0

DNS Server: . . .

Gateway: . . .

Apply Revert

Reset Device

Reboot Clear Config

Fig 9: Dante Controller - Network Config in Device View

Open the **Device View** for the device and select the **Network Config** tab. Within this tab are options to obtain an IP address automatically, or to configure an IP address manually.

After configuring the devices IP address, click the **Reboot** button, the device will restart and its IP address will be updated. Reconfigure the computers IP address to return to the prior IP subnet.

For more troubleshooting information please see the official Dante FAQs at: <https://www.audinate.com/resources/faqs>

And Dante Controller User Guide at:

<https://dev.audinate.com/GA/dante-controller/userguide/pdf/latest/>

## Routing Audio

Audio can be routed seamlessly between each Dante enabled device on the network by creating connections between the transmit channel of one device and the receive channel of another device. When a routing is initially created, an hour glass is displayed to show the connection is being created. After a short time a green tick is displayed to indicate the connection has been created successfully.

Transmitters and receivers can also be filtered by typing a name into the corresponding filter field. Further filtering options are available from the filter pane.

Dante

Filter Transmitters: AVN

Filter Receivers: AVN-DIO

Dante Transmitters: AVN-CU2-0006dc, AVN-DIO12-81930c

Dante Receivers: AVN-DIO6-81930c

Routing Grid: AVN-CU2-0006dc 01 to AVN-DIO6-81930c 02 (green tick)

Fig 10: Routed audio stream

To remove a connection simply click on the green tick.

Transmit and receive channels in a diagonal can be quickly routed together by holding the control key (Ctrl) and clicking on the minimise/maximise button on the routing grid.

## Device View

Open up the Device View by double clicking on the device name in the routing grid.

## Status

Within the **Status** tab, information about the device can be seen, such as the product type and the current IP address.

**Device Information**

Manufacturer: Sonifex  
 Product Type: AVN-DIO12  
 Product Version: 1.0.0  
 Software Version: 1.0.0  
 Firmware Version: 1.0.0

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**Dante Information**

Model: UltimoX2  
 Dante Firmware Version: 4.1.4.2  
 Hardware Version: 4.1.1.1  
 ROM/Boot Version: 1.0.0

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**Clock Synchronisation**

Mute Status:	Unmuted
Sync Status:	Locked
External Word Clock:	No
Preferred:	No
Frequency Offset:	11 ppm

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IP Address: 10.0.2.86  
 MAC Address: 00:1D:C1:81:93:0C  
 Tx Utilisation: 1 Kbps    Errors: 0  
 Rx Utilisation: 39 Kbps    Errors: 0

Clear Counters

Fig 11: Status tab

## Device Configuration

Within the **Device Config** tab the following can be modified.

**Rename Device**

AVN-DIO12-81930c Apply

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**Sample Rate**

Sample Rate: 48k Pull-up/down:   

This device does not support Pull-up/down configuration.

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**Encoding**

Preferred Encoding: PCM 24

**Clocking**

Unicast Delay Requests: Disabled

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**Device Latency**

Latency: 1.0 msec   

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**Reset Device**

Reboot
Clear Config

Fig 12: Device Config tab

- Device Name
- Sample Rate
- Encoding
- Clocking
- Device Latency

An option is also available to clear the configuration, resetting all settings to their default values.



Fig 1-4: AVN-DIOMT Deskbar Fittings

AVN-DIOMT Deskbar

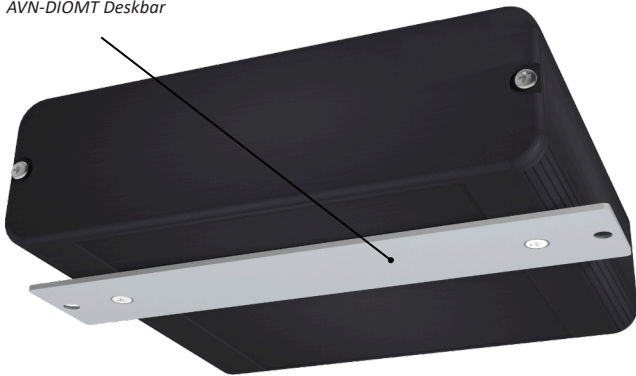


Fig 1-6: Iso View Shown with AVN-DIOMT Deskbar Attached



Fig 1-8: AVN-DIO Front Iso View Shown without Accessories



Fig 1-9: AVN-DIO Rear Iso View Shown without Accessories

## Technical Specification For AVN-DIO12

### Microphone XLR Input Pin-out

Pin	Function
1	Chassis Ground
2	Input Phase
3	Input Non Phase

### Microphone Input - XLR

Input Impedance:	2.2kΩ balanced
Maximum Input Level:	-68dBu (max gain) to -2dBu (min gain)
Gain:	Adjustable 14dB to 86dB
Frequency Response:	20Hz to 20kHz, +0/-0.5dB (ref 1kHz)
High Pass Filter Response:	Fc = 125Hz @ 6dB per octave
THD+N:	<0.01%, -32dBu input, 40dB gain, 20Hz to 20kHz, 20kHz BW
E.I.N.:	129dBu, 20kHz BW, max gain, Rs=200Ω
Common Mode Rejection:	>60dB @ 1kHz
Phantom Power:	+48V ± 4V

### Network and AoIP

AoIP Standard:	Dante
Channels:	2 transmit
Flows:	2 transmit
Sample Rates:	44.1kHz, 48kHz, 88.2kHz, 96kHz
Encoding:	PCM 16, PCM 24, PCM 32
AES67 Support:	Yes
Connectivity:	etherCON (RJ45 compatible)
Speed:	100Mbps
Dante Domain Manager	Yes
Ready:	
Clock Source:	Internal (PTP Leader) or Network PTP Leader

### PoE Power

Standard	802.3af
Class	0
PD Power Range	0.44 W to 12.94 W
Typical PSE Power Usage	TBD
Max PSE Power Usage	15.4 W

### Equipment Type

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### Physical Specification

Dimensions (Raw):	14.0cm (W) x 13.6cm (D) x 4.2cm (H) 5.5" (W) x 5.4" (D) x 1.7" (H)
Dimensions (Boxed):	17.8cm (W) x 17cm (D) x 5.6cm (H) 7.0" (W) x 6.7" (D) x 2.2" (H)

### Weight

Nett: 0.5kg Gross: 0.7kg
Nett: 1.1lbs Gross: 1.4lbs

### Accessories

AVN-DIOMT:	AVN-DIO Large Unit Underdesk Mount
AVN-DIORK:	AVN-DIO 1U 19" rack kit (5 x small DIO or 3 x large DIO)

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