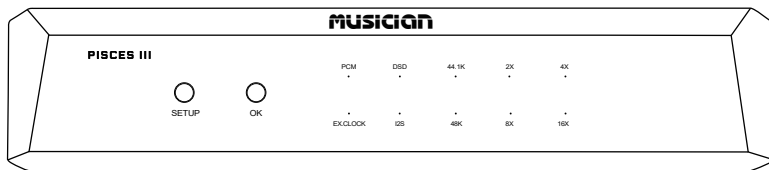




PISCES III HIFI Digital Interface



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Introduction

Thank you for choosing MUSICIAN products!

Guangzhou LEZHIIJA Technology Co.,Ltd.(MUSICIAN Audio) was formally established in 2020. The R & D team is formed by a group of enthusiasts with more than 20 years of audio research and development experience. It is committed to the following product: R2R discrete balanced decoders, balanced headphone amplifiers, balanced amplifiers, balanced pre-amplifiers, headphones, passive speakers, and other audio products.

***Tips**

- Do not cover newspapers, tablecloths, curtains, etc. on the machine, as this may prevent heat dissipation. If the temperature inside the machine is too high, it may cause a fire, damage the machine, or cause personal injury. When using switches, knobs or cables, do not use excessive force.
- Only use the voltage specified by this machine. Using a voltage higher than the specified value is dangerous and may cause fire, damage to the unit, or personal injury.
- Do not attempt to modify or repair this unit by yourself. If you need any service, please contact the MUSICIAN after-sales team through the official website.
- If you plan not to use the machine for a long time, disconnect the power cord from the AC wall outlet. To strengthen the protection of this product, unplug the power cord from the wall outlet during lightning, or when no one is managing it, and when not using it for a long time. This will prevent the product from being damaged during lightning and power grid surges.

Product information

Technical Highlights

PISCES

- Proprietary FPGA DSP Processing Architecture
- FIFO Buffer and Reclock with Internal Crystal
- TCXO temperature compensated active crystal oscillator
- Transformer made of 100W O-type iron core and refined single crystal copper wire
- Optical Isolated All Digital Input Interfaces
- Proprietary USB Audio Solution via STM32F446 Advanced AMR Based MCU
- Licensed Thesycon USB Driver For Windows Platform
- Driverless On Mac & Linux
- External Clocks Input Supported (45.1548MHz/49.152MHz)

DSD

DSD64(DoP) on Coax/AES/Opt Output
Up to DSD1024 On USB Input & I2S Output

PCM

24bits / 44.1, 48, 88.2, 96, 176.4, 192KHz On All Output
Up to 1536KHz on USB Input & I2S Output

Digital Input

USB2.0 Type B

External Clock Input

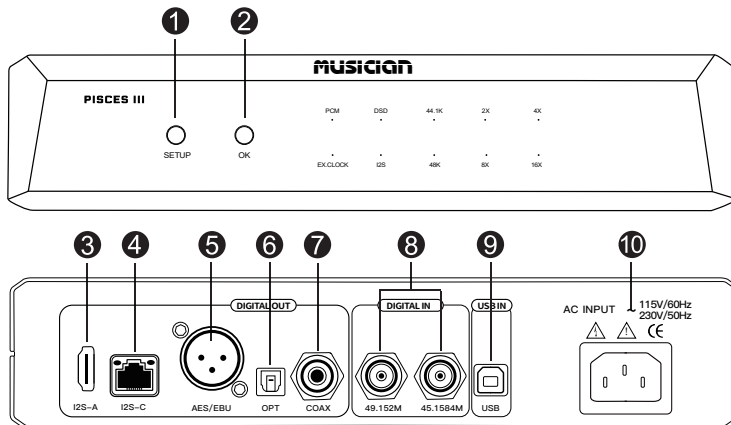
45.1548MHz, 49.152Mhz

Digital Output

AES/EBU, I2S HDMI LVDS/I2S RJ45 lvcmos, Optical, Coaxial

Please note that the RJ45/HDMI ports of PISCES are not typical network/multimedia RJ45/HDMI ports. They are purpose-built I2S ports. Please do not connect it to the typical multimedia HDMI port (i.e. Bluray player/TV etc) / Ethernet network.

Panel information



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|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 SETUP button | 5 AES/EBU output | 9 USB input |
| 2 OK button | 6 Optical output | 10 Power input |
| 3 I ² S HDMI LVDS | 7 Coaxial output | |
| 4 I ² S RJ45 LVCMOS | 8 Clock input | |

Driver

PISCES is equipped with a proprietary USB audio solution driven by STM32F446, which supports 24bit/1536khz PCM data stream and DSD to DSD1024 processed at this level.

- **Licensed Thesycon USB Driver For Windows Platform**

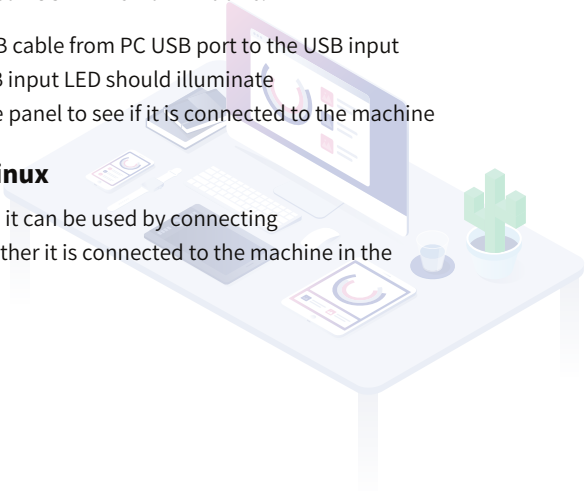
Download and install Thesycon USB Driver for Windows.

1. Connect the standard USB cable from PC USB port to the USB input
2. Select USB input. The USB input LED should illuminate
3. Check the PC audio device panel to see if it is connected to the machine

- **Driverless On Mac & Linux**

No need to install the driver, it can be used by connecting

After connection, check whether it is connected to the machine in the sound setting



LED indicator

PCM

Light off: Shutdown status/
Input signal is not PCM audio
Light flashing: Power on status/
Input signal is PCM audio

DSD

Light off: Shutdown status/
Input signal is not DSD audio
Light flashing: Power on status/
Input signal is DSD audio

EX.CLOCK

Light off: Internal clock
Light on: External clock

I2S

Light off: left and right channels of DSD are L/R
Light on: right and left channels of DSD are R/L

44K1/48K

Varies according to the sampling rate of the input signal

Light off: the input signal is not the sampling rate
Light on: the input signal is the sampling rate

2x / 4x / 8x / 16x

Change according to the sampling rate n times the frequency of the input signal

Light off: the input signal is not n times the frequency of the sampling rate
Light flashing: the input signal is n times the frequency of the sampling rate

Button description

SETUP Button

In home mode: press the button and the PCM light flashes + DSD light flashes to enter menu mode

In menu mode: In menu mode: press the button to cycle through the menu list

In function setting: no response when pressing the button

OK Button

In home mode: no response when pressing the button

In menu mode: Press the button to enter the setting of the corresponding menu list

In function setting: Press the button to switch functions

No operation

In the menu mode or function setting, if the key does not act for about 6 seconds, it will return to the home mode. It cannot return when USB starts to upgrade

Function setting description

	Function Settings	Button Operation	LED indicator
External Clock Function setting	Press the SETUP button to enter the menu mode and correctly follow the LED indicator to select the external clock function setting	Press the setup button repeatedly	PCM light flashes + DSD light flashes + Ex.clock light flashes
	Select the external clock function setting and then press the OK button to enter the external clock function setting, and correctly follow the LED indicator	Select the function setting and press the OK button	PCM light flashes+DSD light flashes+ Ex.clock light comes on
	Press the OK button in the external clock function setting to turn off and turn on the external clock function	Press the OK button again to switch	44k1 light off or 48K light off: Turn off the external clock
			44k1 light on or 48K light on: Turn on the external clock
I2S Pin Function setting	Press the setup key to enter the menu mode, and correctly follow the LED indicator to select the I2S pin function setting	Press the setup button repeatedly	PCM light flashes + DSD light flashes + I2S light flashes
	Select the I2S pin function setting and then press the OK key to enter the I2S pin function setting and correctly follow the LED indicator	Select the function setting and press the OK button	PCM light flashes + DSD light flashes + I2S light comes on
	In the I2S pin function setting, press the OK key to switch the I2S pin	Press the OK button again to switch	44K1(DATA), 2X(BCK), 4X(LRCK) When the light is off, it is positive 44K1(DATA), 2X(BCK), 4X(LRCK) When the light is on, it is negative
DSD left and right channel function settings	Press the setup key to enter the menu mode, and correctly follow the LED indicator to select the DSD left and right channel function settings	Press the SETUP button repeatedly	PCM light flashes + DSD light flashes + 48K light flashes
	Select the DSD left and right channel function settings and then press the OK button to enter the DSD left and right channel function settings and correctly follow the LED indicator	Select the function setting and press the OK button	PCM light flashes + DSD light flashes + 48K light is on
	In the DSD left and right channel function setting, press the OK button to switch the DSD left and right channels	Press the OK button again to switch	16X Light off: L/R
			16X Light on: L/R

	Function Settings	Button Operation	LED indicator
USB Upgrade Function settings	Press the setup button to enter the menu mode, and correctly follow the LED indicator to select the USB upgrade function setting	Press the setup button repeatedly	PCM light flashes + DSD light flashes + 8X light flashes
	Select the USB upgrade function setting, and then press the OK button to enter the USB upgrade function setting and correctly follow the LED light instructions	Select the function setting and press the OK button	PCM light flashes + DSD light flashes + 8X light is on
	In the USB upgrade function setting, press the OK button to switch between USB upgrade and exit USB upgrade	Press the OK button again to switch	PCM light flashes +dsd light flashes+ 2X + 4X + 8X + 16X light comes on Start the upgrade. In this state, it takes about 6 seconds. The button is inoperable and cannot return to the home mode
			PCM light flashes + DSD light flashes + 8X light is on Exit the upgrade. In this state, it takes about 6 seconds. If there is no operation on the button, you can return to the home mode

I2S PIN

*Corresponding LED indicator

I2S PIN ►	44K1(DATA)	2X(BCK)	4X(LRCK)
8 Modes ▼			
1	OFF:DATA+	OFF:BCK+	OFF:LRCK+
2	ON:DATA-	OFF:BCK+	OFF:LRCK+
3	OFF:DATA+	ON:BCK-	OFF:LRCK+
4	ON:DATA-	ON:BCK-	OFF:LRCK+
5	OFF:DATA+	OFF:BCK+	ON:LRCK-
6	ON:DATA-	OFF:BCK+	ON:LRCK-
7	OFF:DATA+	ON:BCK-	ON:LRCK-
8	ON:DATA-	ON:BCK-	ON:LRCK-

PISCES I2S Pin

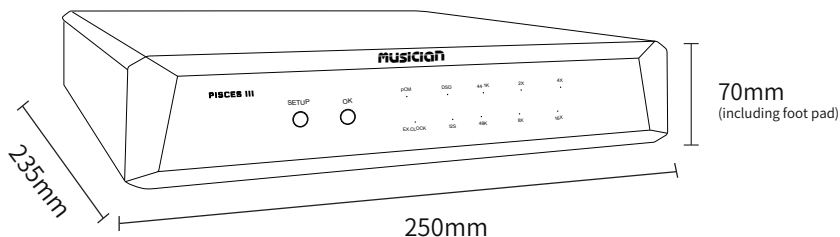
There is no industry standard of I2S connection. Different brand/product has different I2S line order.

If you would like to use the I2S connection, the I2S pinout matching with the DAC has to be configured correctly. Mismatch of I2S pinout may result in static/noise output. The excessive noise output level may damage the loudspeakers/headphone drivers.

I2S Suggestions for matching DAC

1. Connect I2S cable (high quality HDMI cable <3ft/1m)
2. Turn down the volume (minimum audible volume)
3. Play music (first PCM, then DSD)
4. I2S setting for running DAC(consult DAC manufacturer for details)
5. When playing PCM and DSD, one of the modes should match the playing source

It is recommended to conduct an audio tone test to ensure that the L/R channel is correct in phase/out of phase.



Basic parameters

Function keys: SETUP Button, OK Button

Input mode: USB2.0 Type B、 External clock (45.1548mhz/49.152mhz)

Output mode: AES/EBU , I2S HDMI LVDS / I2 S RJ45 lvcmos,
Optical , Coaxial

Power Input: 115 V, 230 V

(Voltage selectable via a switch on the base of the machine)

Machine size: 245mm*240mm*70mm (Height includes foot pad)

Machine weight: 3.6kg

Package weight: 5.5kg

Warranty

We take pride in the quality of our products with strict quality control checks. To give you more confidence, all of our products are provided with a three-years warranty. Within the first 30 days from the date of purchase, most items can be returned for refund or exchange if meet the following conditions. Wish you enjoy a wonderful shopping experience!

RETURNABLE ITEMS

Items that can be returned/refunded or exchanged with in 30 days of receipt must comply with the following standards

1. Any returned items must be accompanied by all accessories, hardware, manuals or instructions, and in the same "new" state as when shipped to you.
2. Any returned items will be evaluated after receipt. Of course, we will not refund any defective products caused by improper handling, improper use, tampering or improper use.
3. If there is no complete original packaging (original packing box, foam filling, etc.) at the time of return, 25% replenishment fee will be charged.

Tips: The items should be transported back safely. Before we received, You will take full responsibility. If you choose to replace, we will ship your replacement items free of charge.

RETURN FEE AND ADDRESS

We aim to provide services that benefit all our loyal customers. Global customers can return products to our Chinese warehouse. Please always contact us before returning items to relevant addresses.

1. All transportation costs are borne by the customer. This includes shipping costs for returns or exchanges. Shipping costs are non-refundable.
2. Please contact your local post office to confirm the actual return shipping fee before shipping back. We recommend that you use the cheapest postal service if available.