

User Manual

ECU-1270

**Expandable Industrial IoT
Gateway**

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 - 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-1270 main unit
- DIN rail mount bracket x 1
- Wall mount bracket x 1
- Screws x 4 for DIN rail & wall mount kit
- Screws for mPCIe and PoE PD x 6
- Screws for M.2 x 1
- 20pin terminal block x 1
- 2pin terminal block x 1
- Jumper x 1

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- 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 electricity after connecting a jumper or installing a card may damage sensitive electronic components.

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:
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 - The equipment has been exposed to moisture.
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 - The equipment has been dropped and damaged.
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Chapter 1

Overview

1.1 Introduction

The ECU-1270 is an industrial-grade IoT gateway built for versatility. It serves as the critical connection point for various devices, addressing the diverse needs of industrial applications. Unlike off-the-shelf solutions that often require compromises in functionality or cost, the ECU-1270 allows for flexible expansion to meet a wide range of application demands—without long waits or custom development. Optimize your operations efficiently with the ECU-1270, the gateway that adapts to you.

1.2 Specifications

1.2.1 General

Table 1.1: General

Certification	CE, FCC, UL 62368, IEC-62368
Dimensions (W x D x H)	140 x 93 x 32 mm (5.51 x 3.7 x 1.26 in.)
Enclosure	Aluminum Housing
Mounting	Wall-Mount, DIN-rail Mount
Power Consumption	Power source from 10~36V _{DC} power adaptor: ■ 10~36 V _{DC} @ 0.65~0.2 A Typ. ■ 10~36 V _{DC} @ 1.5~0.4 A Max. (Optional) Power source from PoE PD: ■ 48 V _{DC} @ 0.32 A Max.
Power Connector	1 x 2-Pin Terminal Block, 16~24 AWG

1.2.2 System

Table 1.2: System

CPU	TI AM6734, Quad-Core ARM Cortex A53, up to 1.4GHz
Memory	2 or 4 GB (up to 8GB) LPDDR4
Storage	16 or 32 GB (up to 128 GB) eMMC
Real Time Clock	Yes
Display	Optional HDMI
FRAM	Optional
LED	2 x LED (1 x Power, 1 x programmable)
Button	Reset (optional recovery)
TPM	Optional

1.2.3 I/O Interface Overview

Table 1.3: I/O Interface Overview

Serial	2 x Isolated RS-485/232, software configurable
Console	1 x RS-232 (USB type C connector)
LAN	2 x 1,000Mbps Ethernet (RJ-45) Optional PoE PD on LAN1 via expansion module
USB	1 x USB3.0
SD Card	1 x Micro SD Card Slot
SIM Card	1 x Nano SIM card slot
I/O Connector	1 x 20-pin Terminal Block, 16~24 AWG

1.2.4 I/O Expansion

Table 1.4: I/O Expansion

Port A	Optional "2 x RS-485" or "2 x CAN FD" add-on module
Port B	Optional "2 x RS-485" or "3 x DI, 4 x DO" add-on module
M.2 & mPCIe	1 x Mini-PCIe (Full-size) (Signal: USB2.0) for LTE (SIM card slot connected) 1 x M.2 E-key 2230 (Signal: USB2.0 & PCIe)

1.2.5 Serial Communication (Default & Expansion)

Table 1.5: Serial Communication (Default & Expansion)

Ports	2 on default unit (COM0, 1) 2 on extra expansion slots (4 ports max., COM2~5)
Mode supported	Default unit: 2x RS232 or RS485, software configurable Expansion slots: 2x RS485 for each slot
Baud rate	RS-232: 115,200 bps max. RS-485: 460,800 bps max.
Isolation Protection	2,000 V _{DC}
Available on expansion slot	Expansion A, B

1.2.6 CAN FD Expansion

Table 1.6: CAN FD Expansion

Ports	2
Protocol	CAN FD with CAN 2.0 A/B backward compatible
Speed	CAN 2.0: 1Mbps max. CAN FD: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Arbitration phase: 1Mbps max.■ Data phase: 5Mbps max.
Isolation Protection	2,000 V _{DC}
Available on expansion slot	Expansion A

1.2.7 Digital I/O Expansion

Table 1.7: Digital I/O Expansion

Digital Input	
Channels	3, dry contact and wet contact are supported
Input Voltage Level (wet contact)	Logic 0: 0~3 V _{DC} Logic 1: 10~40 V _{DC}
Isolation Protection	2,000 V _{DC}
Digital Output	
Channels	4, open collector/sink type/NPN
Output Rating	10~30 V _{DC} , 100 mA max. per channel
Isolation Protection	2,000 V _{DC}
Available on expansion slot	Expansion B

1.2.8 Operating System

Table 1.8: Operating System

Operating System	Yocto Linux with EdgeLink, or Ubuntu on different models
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1.2.9 Environment

Table 1.9: Environment

Operating Temperature	Main unit: -40~70°C (-40~158°F) With wireless modules and PoE PD modules installed: -40~55°C (-40~131°F)
Storage Temperature	-40 ~ 85°C (-40 ~ 185°F)
Operating Humidity	Up to 90% RH, non-condensing
Ingress Protection	IP30

1.2.10 EdgeLink*

Table 1.10: Supported Protocol

South Bound	North Bound
IEC 60870-5-101	Modbus Server
IEC 60870-5-103	IEC 60870-104 Server
IEC 60870-5-104	WASCADA (WebAccess)
DL/T 645-2007	BACnet Server
DL/T 645-1997	OPC UA Server
IEC 62056-21	Data Transfer
ODBC	SNMP
JDBC	
OPCUA Client	
BACnet IP	
BACnet MS/TP	
SNMP	
Modbus Client	

Table 1.11: EdgeLink Functions

PLC Driver Support	ABB/Advantech/Allen-Bradley/BECKHOFF/ DELTA/ FATEK/GE/Honeywell/Keyence/Mitsubishi/Omron/ Panasonic/Schneider/Sharp/Siemens/Toyopuc/ Wago 750/Yaskawa/Yokogawa
Programming	Linux C, Python
Configuration Tool	EdgeLink Studio
Data Monitoring	20,000 Tags MAX.
Cloud Connectivity (MQTT)	EdgeHub, WISE-PaaS, Azure, AWS, Google Cloud, IoT Core and more
Database Transmission	SQL Server, MySQL, ORACLE, FTP Server
VPN	Open VPN

* EdgeLink is bundled with Yocto Linux version. Please refer to EdgeLink specification for more details.

1.3 Default Software Configurations

Table 1.12: Default Software Configurations

Operating System	Ubuntu/Yocto + EdgeLink
Programming Support	Linux C, Python
SSH	Enabled on LAN1 & LAN2
Login Details (SSH/Console)	User Name: root Password: None (press "Enter") Console baud rate: 115,200
Default Ethernet Mode	DHCP
Default IP (without DHCP server)	LAN1: 10.0.0.1 LAN2: 11.0.0.1
Serial Port Modes	RS-485

1.4 Dimensions

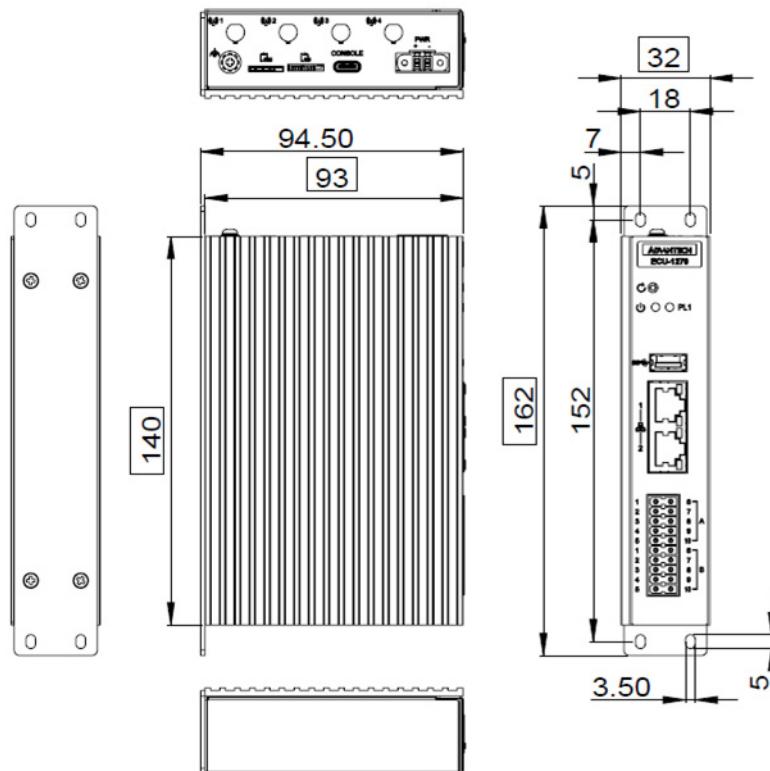


Figure 1.1 Dimension of ECU-1270

Chapter 2

Operation Details

2.1 Product Overview

2.1.1 Outlook

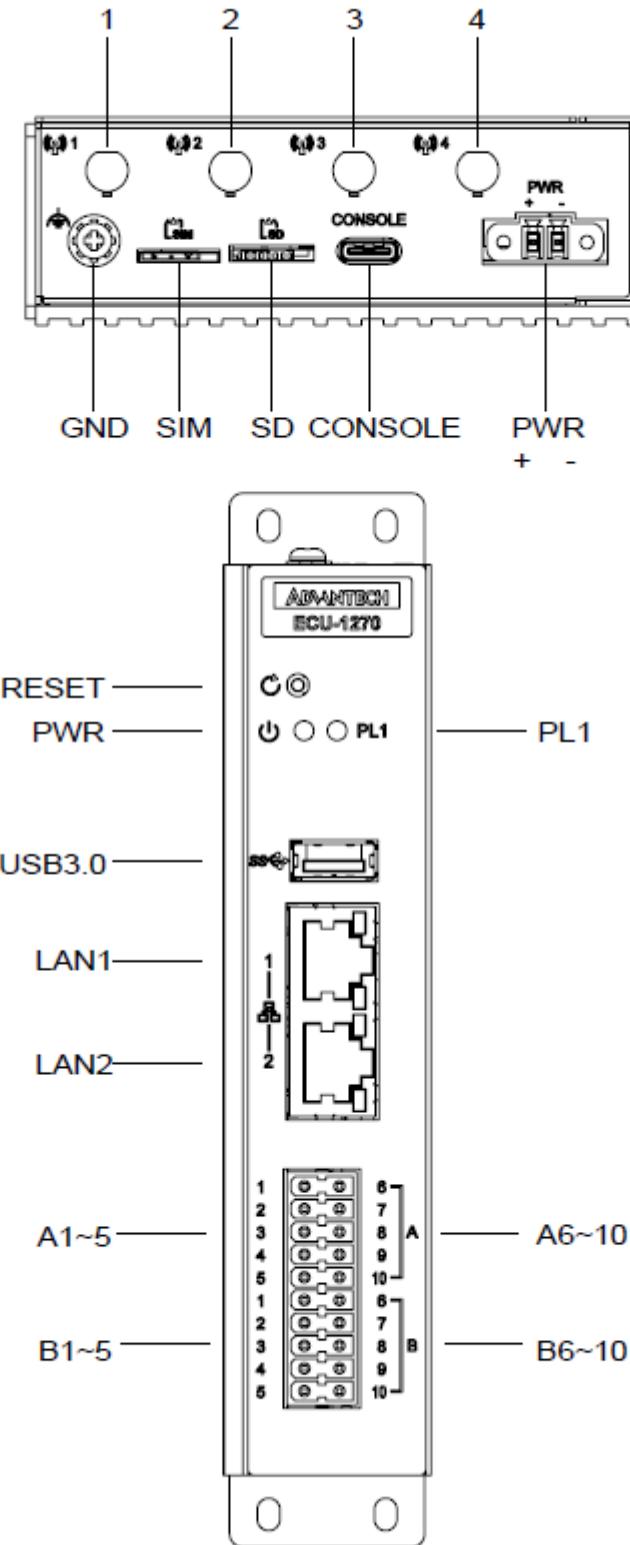


Figure 2.1 Outlook of ECU-1270

2.1.2 Internal Switch, Jumper and Connectors

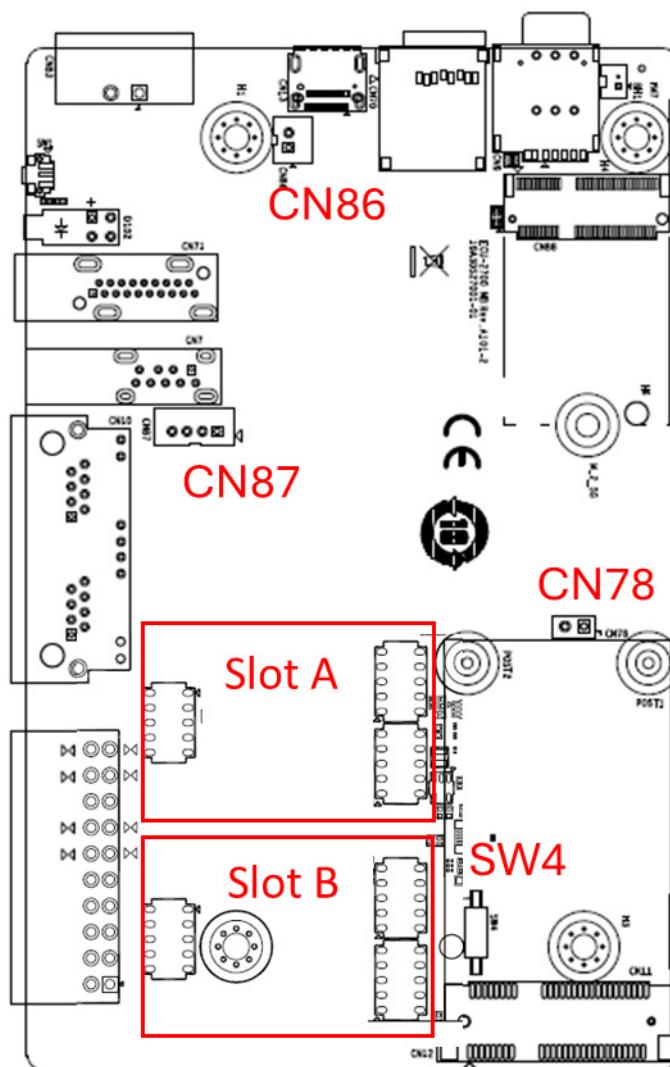


Figure 2.2 Internal layout of ECU-1270

Table 2.1: Internal Switch, Jumper and Connectors

Items	Description	Functions
SW4	Boot option	Select boot option between SD card and eMMC
CN78	Secure boot configuration	Enable/disable programming eFuse for secure boot
CN86, CN87	PoE Module Connection	Connect to PoE module to enable PoE PD on LAN1
Slot A	Expansion slot A	Expansion for CAN FD and serial ports
Slot B	Expansion slot B	Expansion for Digital I/Os and serial ports

2.2 System Button

Table 2.2: System Button

Button	Description	Action	Function
Reset	Reset button	Single Press	Hardware reset

2.3 LED Indicator Status

Table 2.3: LED Indicator Status

LED	Description	Off	On
PWR	Power Indicator	Power Off	Power On
PL1	Programable LED1	Programmed Off	Programmed On

2.4 Jumper Settings

Table 2.4: Jumper Settings

Jumper location	Description	Open	Close (jumper installed)
CN78	Secure boot configuration	eFuse programming disabled	eFuse programming enabled

2.5 Switch Configurations

Table 2.5: Switch Configurations

Switch location	Description	Up (1)	Down (ON)
SW1	Boot Option Selection	Boot from eMMC	Boot from SD card*

Note!



* In the default unit along with default Ubuntu image/EdgeLink Yocto image, the SD card boot isn't available. The SD card boot would only be available when the boot environment is re-configured to SD card available. Please contact Advantech when you have this kind of demand.

2.6 Serial Port Mode Settings

The serial port mode on the ECU-1270 main unit (COM0 & COM1) are software configurable. It's configured by the command *com_mode_config* in command prompt. Below are the examples and the prototype of the function.

```
root@ecu1270-b94d84:~# com_mode_config
usage: /usr/bin/com_mode_config get | set [COM_NUM(AL) [COM_MODE]]
      /usr/bin/com_mode_config get                      # get COM0/COM1 RS232/RS485 mode
      /usr/bin/com_mode_config set COM0 232            # set COM0 mode to RS232
      /usr/bin/com_mode_config set ALL 232            # set COM0 and COM1 mode to RS232
root@ecu1270-b94d84:~# com_mode_config get
COM0 MODE is RS485
COM1 MODE is RS232
root@ecu1270-b94d84:~# com_mode_config set COM0 232
setup COM0 MODE to RS232
root@ecu1270-b94d84:~# com_mode_config set COM1 485
setup COM1 MODE to RS485
root@ecu1270-b94d84:~# com_mode_config set ALL 232
setup ALL MODE to RS232
```

2.7 Console Prompt and SSH Connection

The console prompt has a UART to USB bridge designed. Users can access it using an USB type C cable. After connecting to it, users shall see an “unknown serial device” in the system. Installing the console driver, then a COM/serial/tty device would show up in the device manager (Windows) or /dev/tty* (Linux). Open the designated serial port using a terminal tools would allow users to access the console prompt.

2.8 Image Update

The ECU-1270 provides two options for the image update. If the ECU-1270 model is with the EdgeLink, the update can rely on the EdgeLink Studio to proceed an online update. On the other hand, if the device isn't EdgeLink installed, you can proceed with the SD card instead.

Note: You don't often meet this situation to update your image. You should consult the technical support to make sure this is necessary.

2.8.1 Update via EdgeLink Studio (EdgeLink Device Only)

Connect the device via Ethernet and open the EdgeLink Studio, right click to find “image Update”, and the prompt would show up to select the update file.

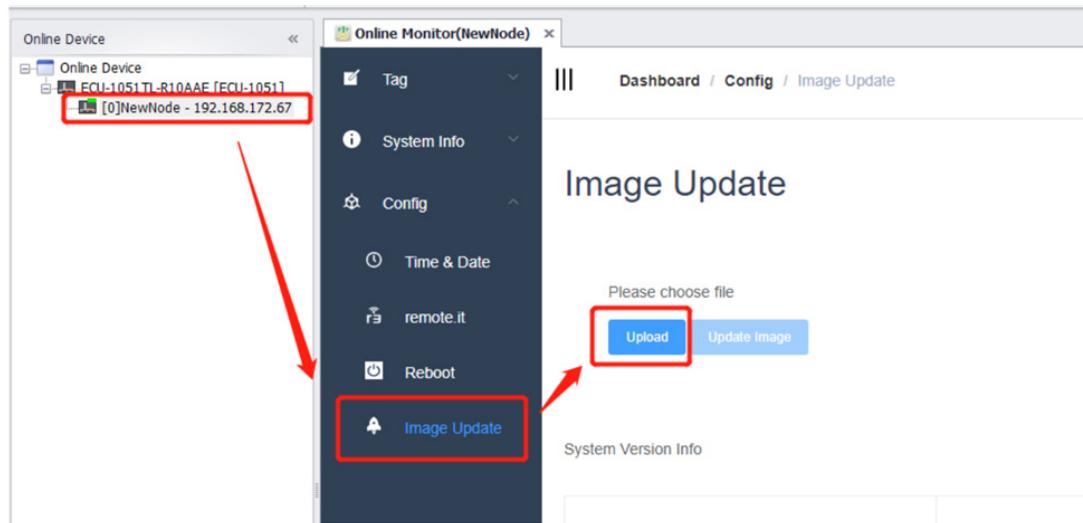


Figure 2.3 Update image via EdgeLink

Once the file is uploaded, click update image to start the process. If the box “Restore factory default setting” is checked, the existing EdgeLink project in the ECU would be clear. If it’s not checked, the device will run the project after the system reboot.

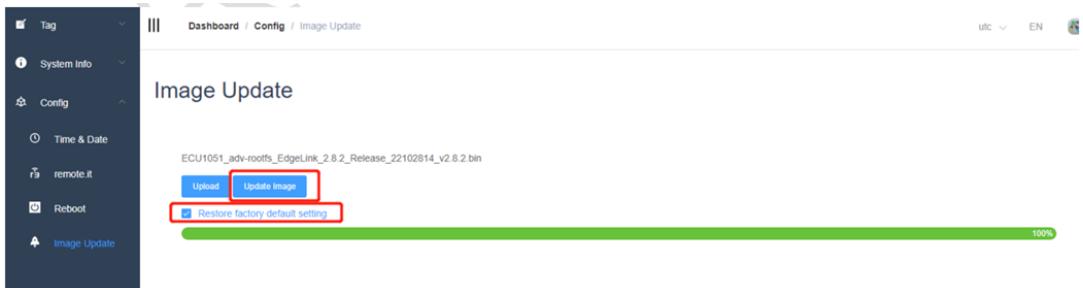


Figure 2.4 Update image via EdgeLink (cont.)

After the updating, the device will restart automatically, the notification message like shown in Figure 2.5.

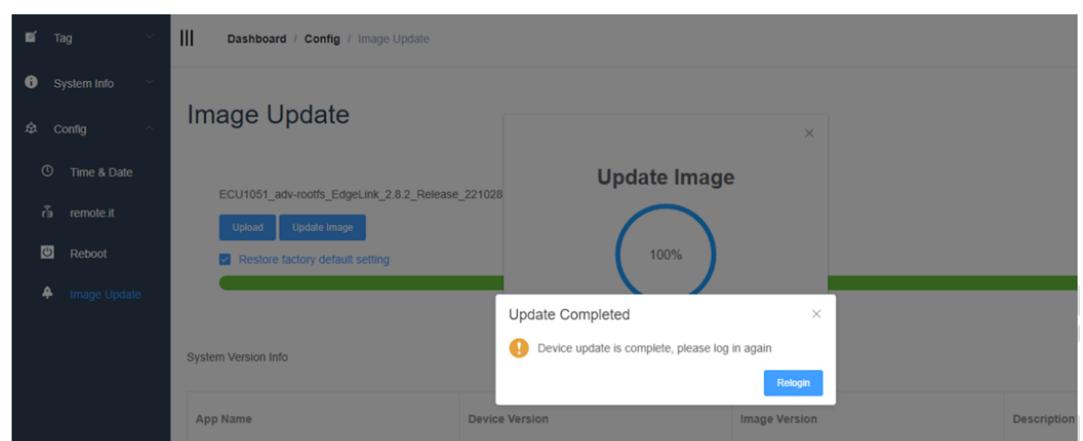


Figure 2.5 Update completed

2.8.2 Update via SD Card

1. Download the update (xxxx.bin) file from Advantech Support Portal. Search ECU-1270 and you'll find the download link
2. Prepare an SD card with FAT32 format and at least 32GB capacity. Change the subfile name from .bin to .zip and unzip the files to the SD card.

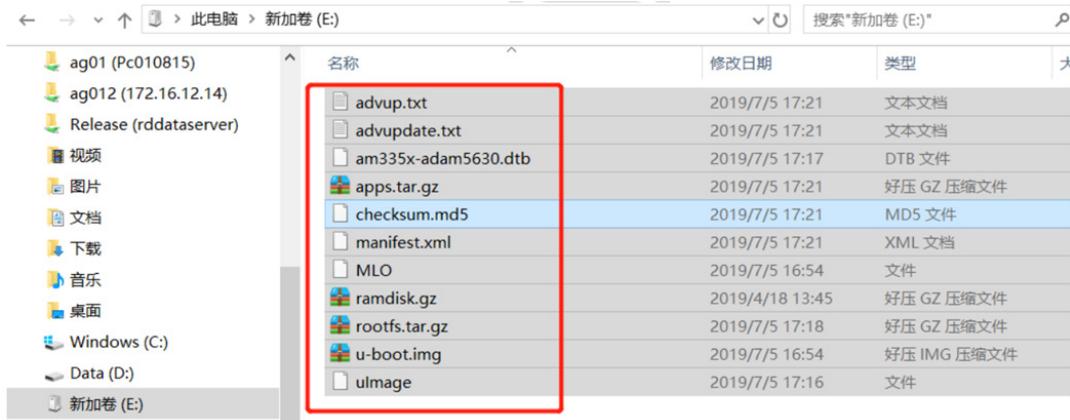


Figure 2.6 Files unzipped from the package

3. If this device has EdgeLink installed, and you expect to clear all the EdgeLink project, please revise the parameter advfactory to "y" in the advupdate.txt.

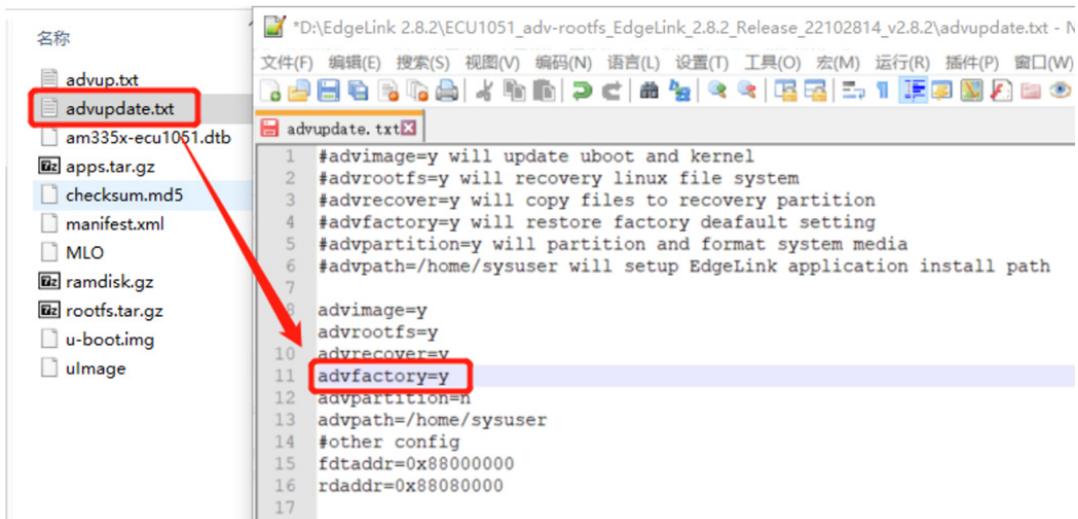


Figure 2.7 Settings return the device to factory default after image update

4. Insert the SD card to the slot on the device and power the device on and leave the boot option as eMMC, then the update would start automatically along with the bootup process. Once the update is finished, you'll see the Linux prompt show up in the console port.
5. Unplug the power and remove the SD card. The image update is completed.

Chapter 3

Signal Connection for
I/O Interfaces

3.1 Power Connection

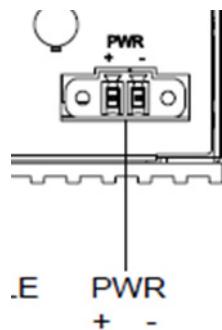


Figure 3.1 Power connector layout

Table 3.1: Power Connection

Pin	Description
PWR+	Positive pole of power input
PWR-	Negative pole of power input

3.2 Ethernet Ports

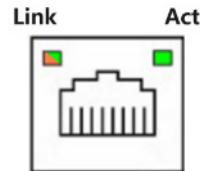


Figure 3.2 RJ45 LAN connector layout

Table 3.2: Ethernet Ports

LED	Status	Description
Link	Off	10Mbps
	Orange	100Mbps
	Green	1000 Mbps
Act	Green	No data transmission
	Green Blinking	Transmitting data

3.3 USB Port

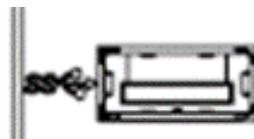


Figure 3.3 USB connector layout

3.4 I/O Port Pin Assignment

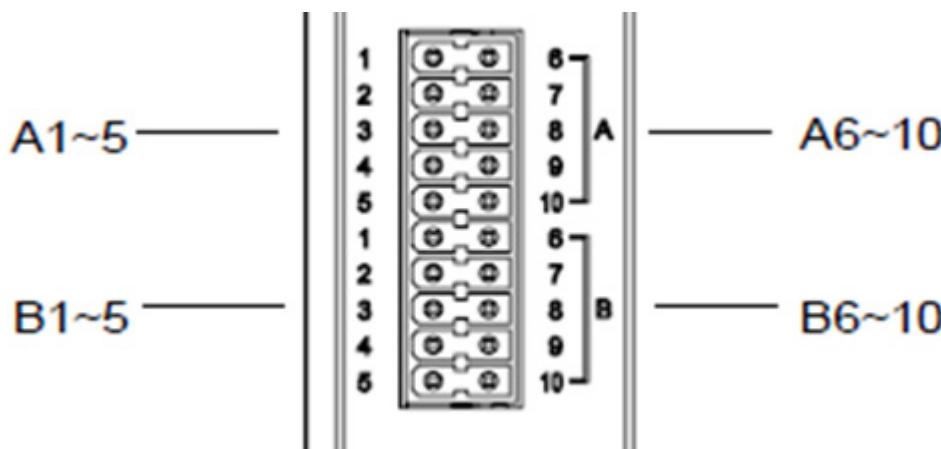


Figure 3.4 I/O connector layout

Table 3.3: I/O Port Pin Assignment

I/O Group	PIN No.	Main Unit	RS-485	CAN FD	DIO
Group A	1	Rx0/Data+0			
	2	Tx0/Data-0			
	3	GND			
	4	Rx1/Data+1			
	5	Tx1/Data-1			
	6		Data+2	CAN High 0	
	7		Data-2	CAN Low 0	
	8				
	9		Data+3	CAN High 1	
	10		Data-3	CAN Low 1	
Group B	1		Data+4		Digital Output channel 0
	2		Data-4		Digital Output channel 1
	3				Digital Output channel 2
	4		Data+5		Digital Output channel 3
	5		Data-5		Common connection for digital output
	6				Digital Input channel 0
	7				Digital Input channel 1
	8				Digital Input channel 2
	9				Common connection for digital input
	10				Ground for digital I/O

The extra RS-485, CAN FD and digital I/Os are available whenever the corresponded expansion module is plugged in the expansion slot.

3.4.1 CAN Ports

The Hn and Ln should connect to CAN High and CAN Low respectively on the device end to complete a CAN communication wiring.

3.4.2 Serial Ports

RS-232: The Rx should connect to Tx of the device, and Tx should connect to Rx of the device. GND connect to device ground pin.

RS-485: The D+ should connect to Data+ of the device, and the D- should connect to Data- of the device.

3.4.3 Digital Input/Output Signal Connections

Digital Input (Dry Contact)

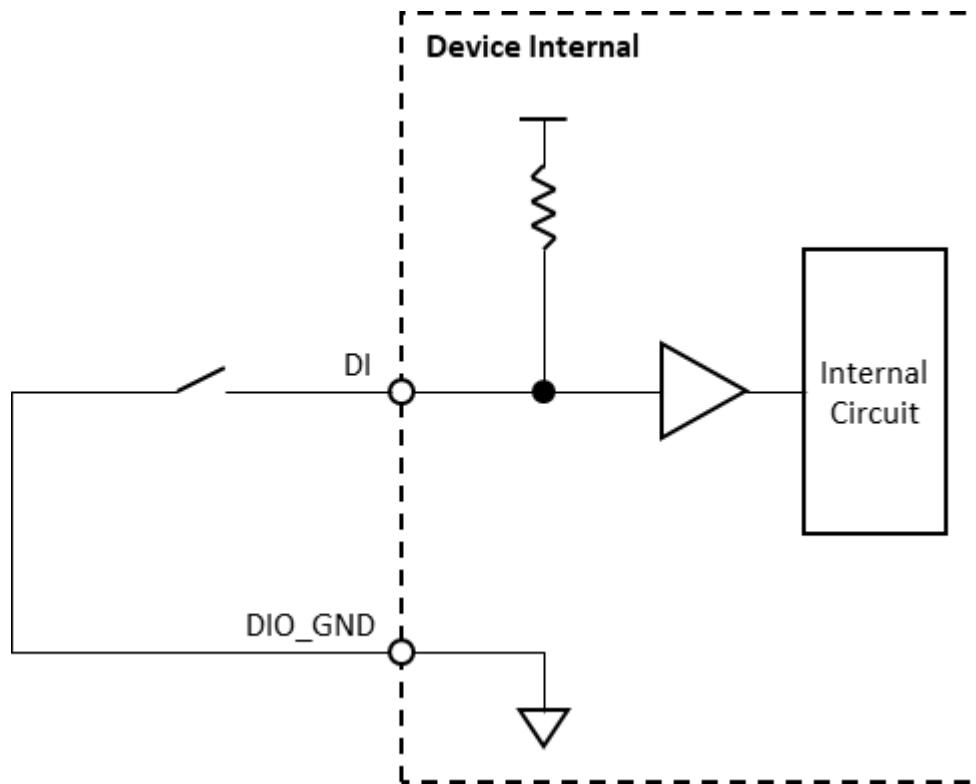


Figure 3.5 Signal connection of digital input (dry contact)

Digital Input (Wet contact)

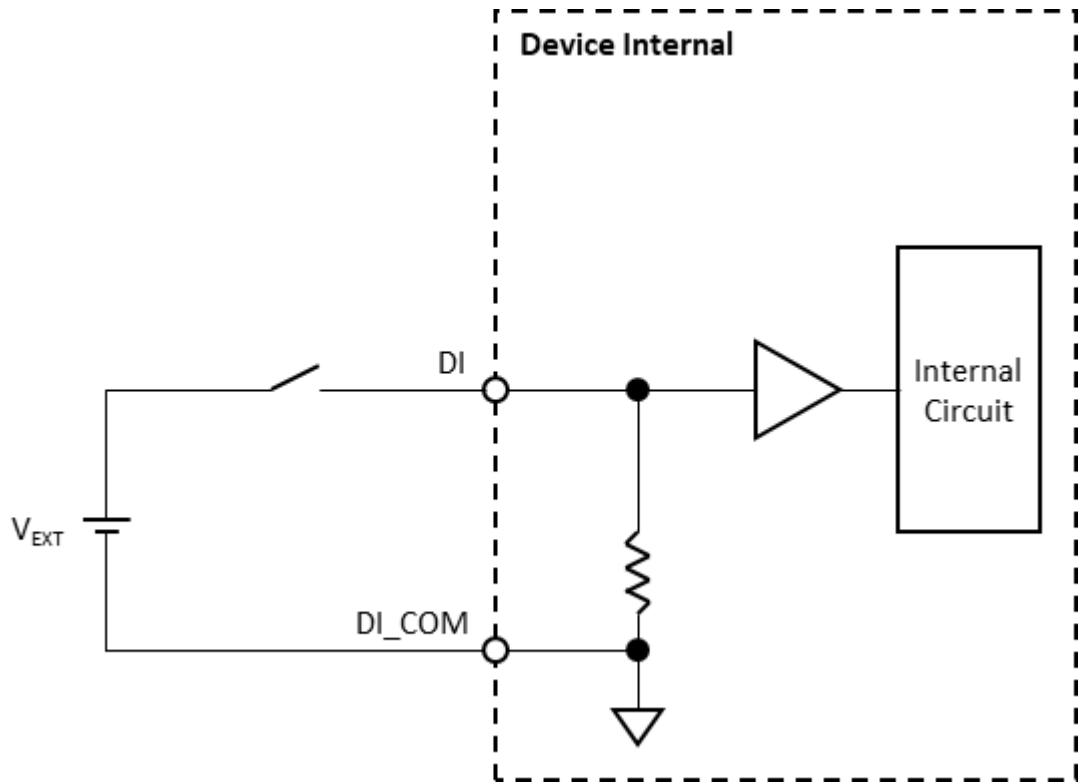


Figure 3.6 Signal connection of digital input (wet contact)

Digital Output

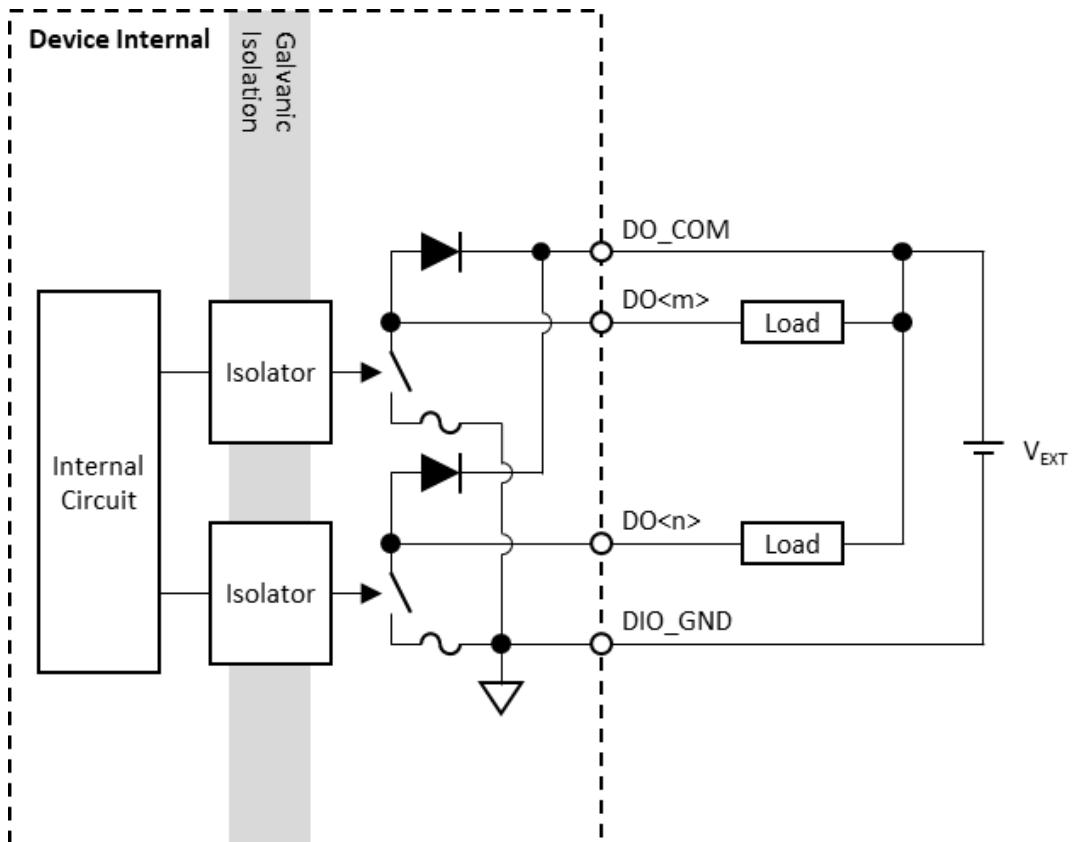


Figure 3.7 Signal connection of digital output

Chapter 4

System Installation
Guide

4.1 Expansion Port/Module Installation

4.1.1 M.2 & Mini PCI Express

1. Unscrew the side plate and open the enclosure.

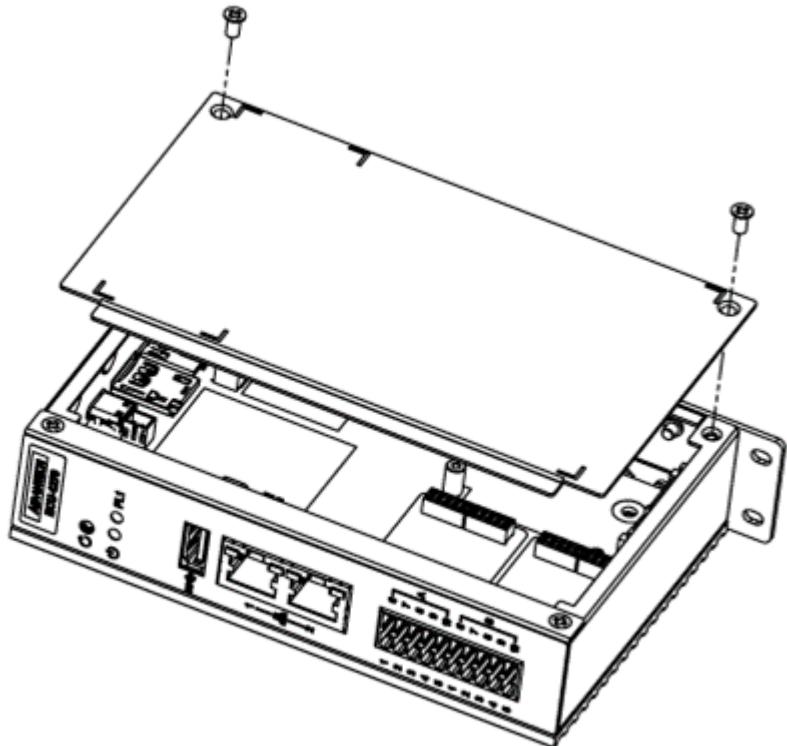


Figure 4.1 Unscrew to open the enclosure

2. Insert the M.2 or Mini PCI Express module in the slot and screw them onto the corresponding screw holes.

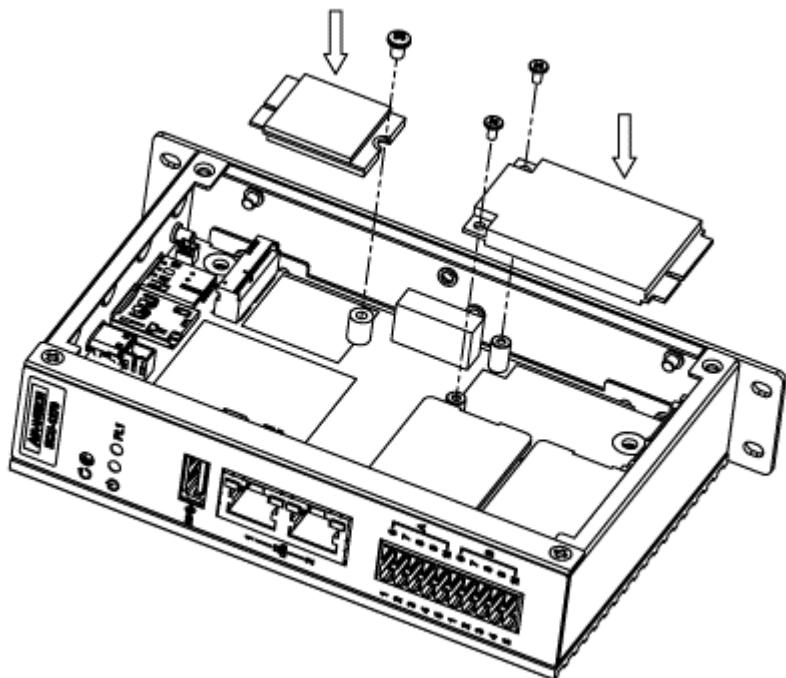


Figure 4.2 Install the M.2 and MiniPCIe modules

3. Screw the side plate back.

4.1.2 Expansion Slots

1. Unscrew the side plate and open the enclosure, same as shown in Figure 4.1.
2. Insert the module(s).

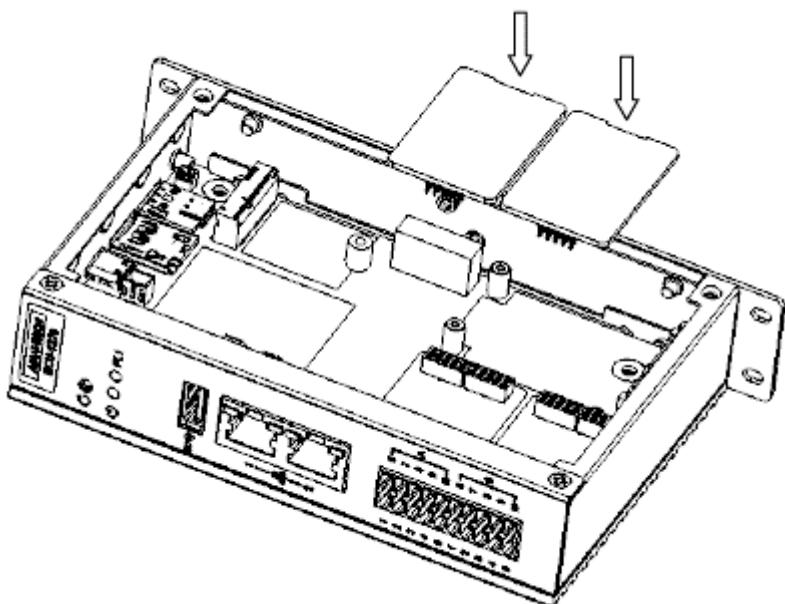


Figure 4.3 Install the expansion modules

3. Screw the side plate back
4. Stick the pin definition on the corresponding column. The sticker is packed along with the expansion module.

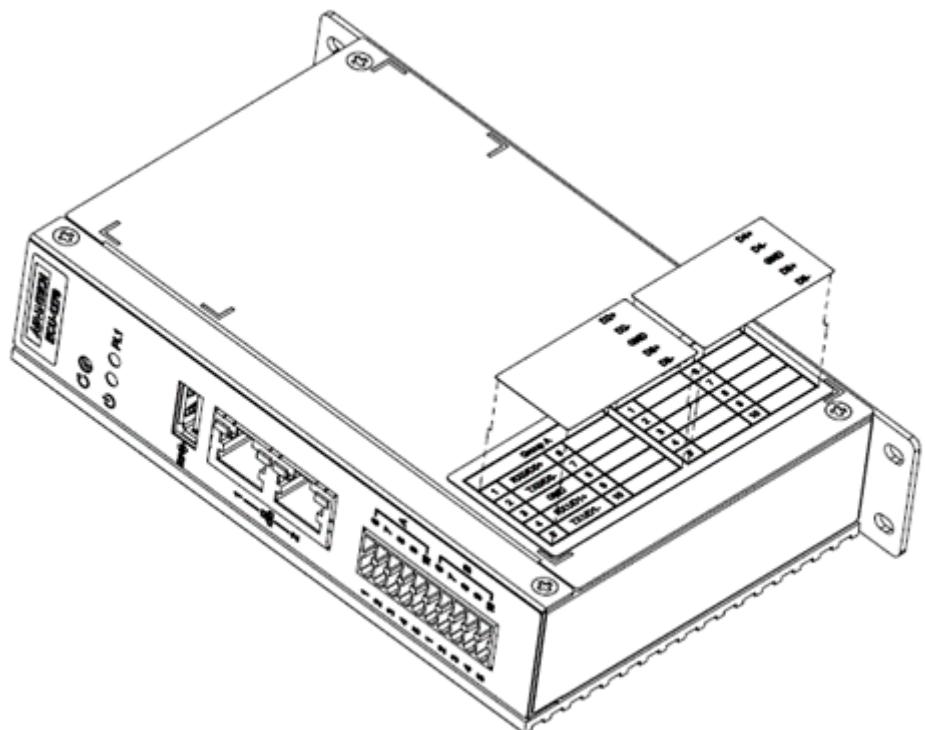


Figure 4.4 Stick the pin assignment stickers

4.1.3 PoE Module

1. Unscrew the side plate and open the enclosure, same as shown in Figure 4.1.
2. Screw the PoE module onto the side plate. Please follow the instructions in the figure below to ensure the module does not have mechanical interference with the board after assembly.

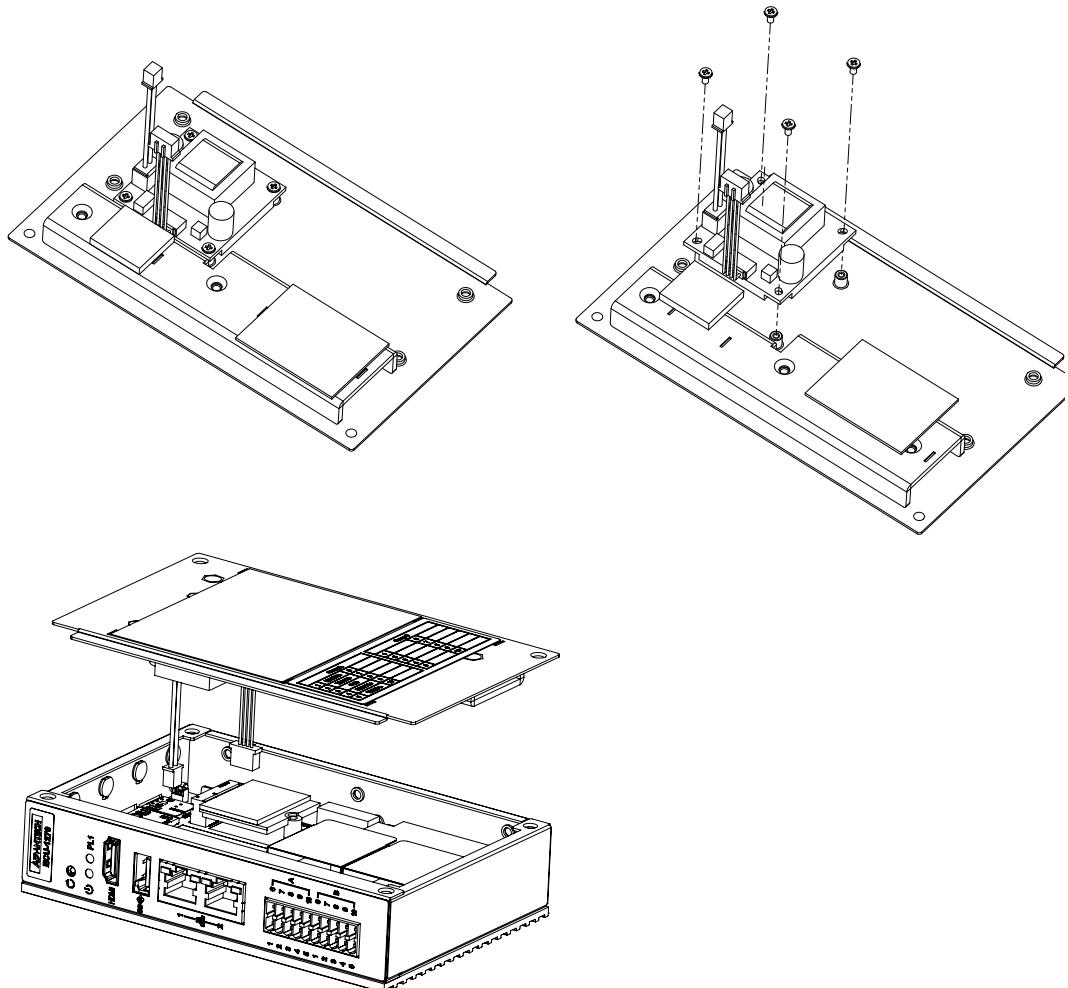
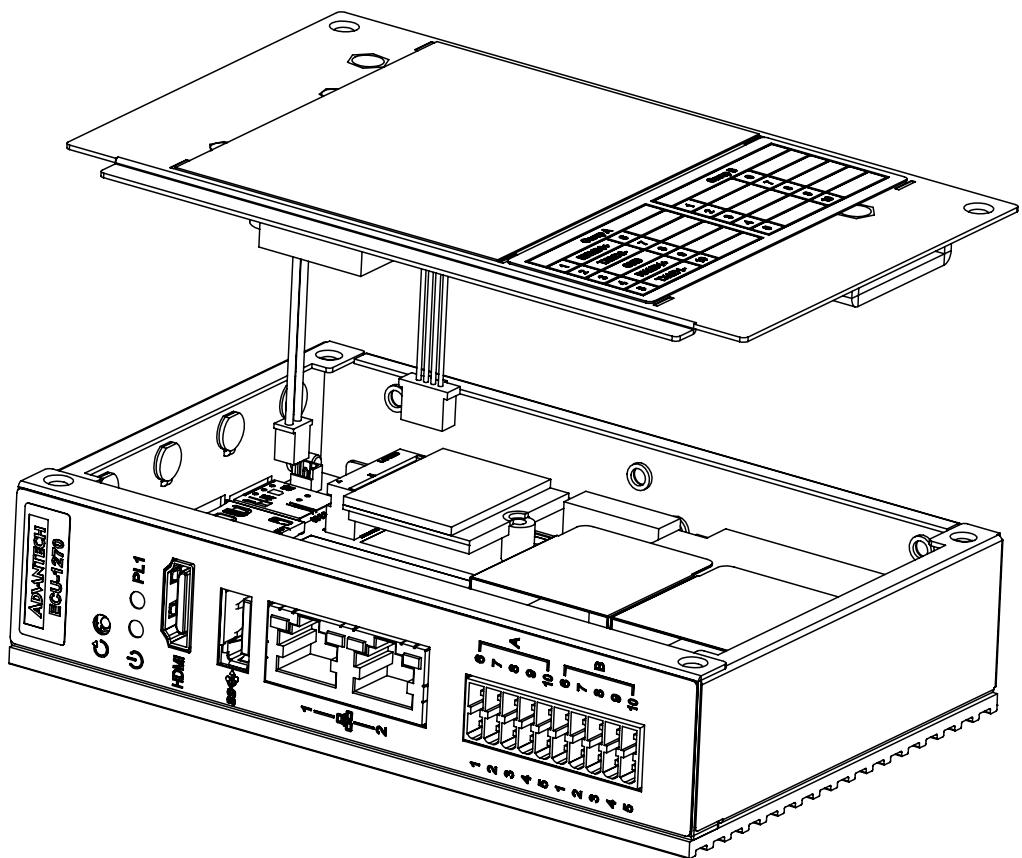


Figure 4.5 Screw the PoE module onto the side plate

3. Insert the cable to corresponding connectors respectively. 2-pin cable to CN86, 4-pin cable to CN87.
4. Screw the side plate back.



4.2 DIN Rail Kit Installation

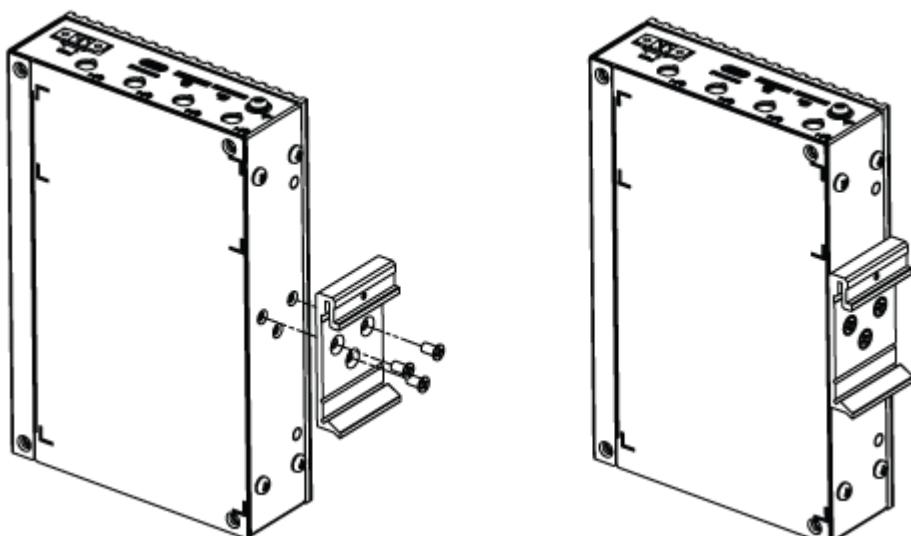


Figure 4.6 Screw the DIN rail kit onto the back of the device

4.3 Wall Mount Kit Installation

There are 2 screws on the back of the device already, you should first unscrew them, and screw the wall mount kit onto the back of the device.

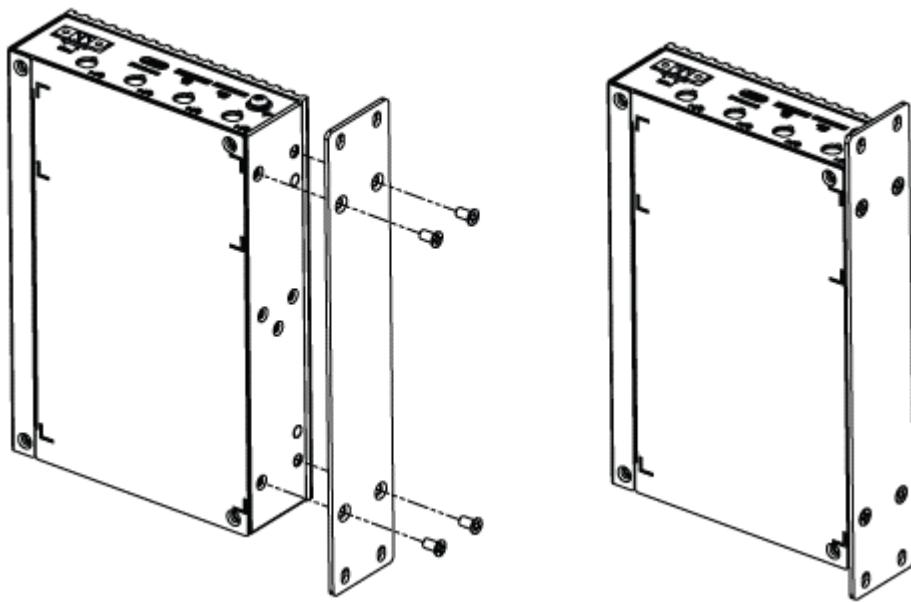


Figure 4.7 Screw the wall-mount kit onto the back of the device

4.4 Antenna Connector Installation

The antenna holes are reserved on the top of the device. Before installing the antenna connectors, you should bend the cover to open the installation hole. And then, follow figure 4.8 to install the connectors through the hole.

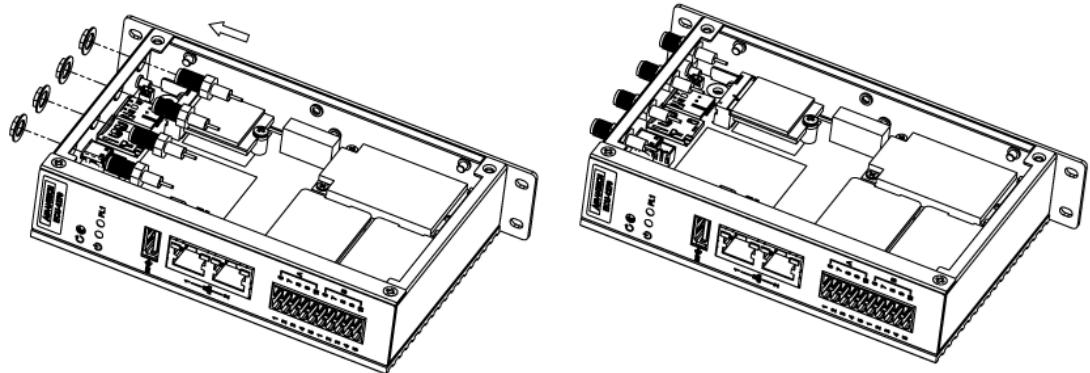


Figure 4.8 Screw the antenna connectors to the

4.5 Ground Connection

To create good ground connection, the ground wire should be connected to the enclosure GND. Unscrew and connect the ground wire then screw it back to complete the ground connection. The suggested wire is 18~22 AWG.

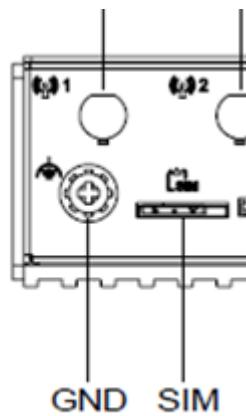


Figure 4.9 Layout of the top side

4.6 Field Installation Safety Notification

4.6.1 Required Heat Dissipation Space

To retain a good heat dissipation environment for the ECU-1270, a clearance between the ECU-1270 and other devices, especially those that generate more heat, is required. The picture below describes the spacing requirement, where A = 50 mm and B = 100 mm.

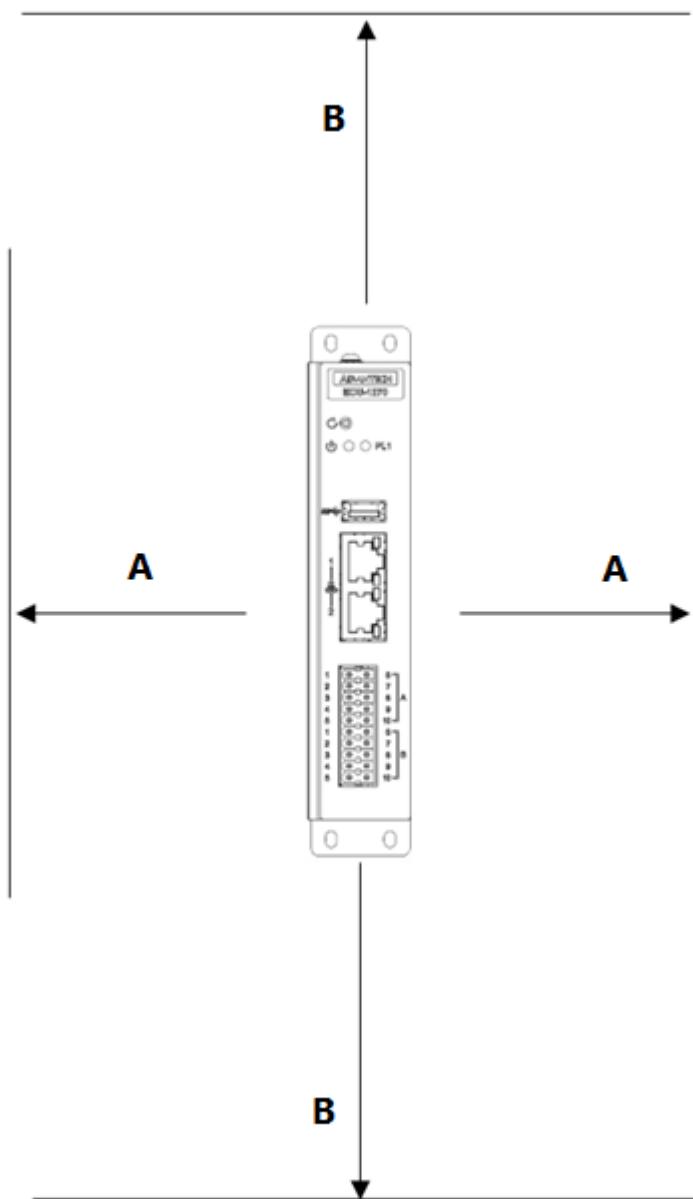


Figure 4.10 Suggested installation space reserved for the ECU-1270

4.6.2 Din Rail Installation

Please note that when installing the DIN-rail mounting onto the DIN-rail frame, there's only one way to install/uninstall the ECU-1270 onto/from the DIN rail. Refer to Figure 4.11 for the details, left: Installing the device on DIN-rail, right: Uninstall the device from DIN-rail.

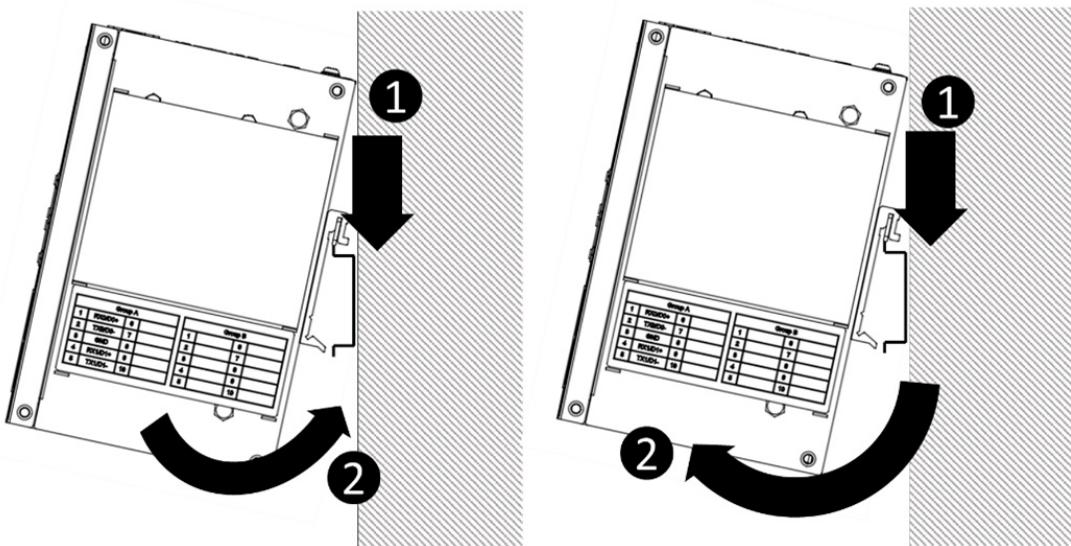


Figure 4.11 Install and release the ECU-1270 for DIN rail mounting

4.6.3 Power Requirement

This product is intended to be supplied by an UL certified power supply or dc source suitable for use at minimum Tma 70°C whose output meets SELV or ES1 and is rated 10~36Vdc, 1~0.3 A min., if need further assistance, please contact Advantech for further information. Ensure that the voltage of the power source is correct before connecting the equipment to a power outlet. By means of a power cord connected to a socket-outlet with earthing connection.

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