

How to Check the PC COM Port

1. Introduction

When using WinCT to send balance weighing data to a PC, the correct communication port must be specified. You can check the Windows Device Manager to see which port (COM**) is applicable.

2. How to check the port (COM **) for each Windows version

2-1. Windows 10

2-2. Windows 8.1

2-3. Windows 7

2-4. Windows Vista

2-5. Windows XP

2-6. Windows 2000

2-7. Windows 98

2-1. Windows 10

- 1) Click the **Start** button.
- 2) Click **Settings** in the start menu.
- 3) Click **Device** in the settings menu.
- 4) Click **Device Manager** in the related settings of the device menu.
- 5) Click > next to **Port** in the Device Manager to display the port list.
- 6) On WinCT, select the COM port (COM**) shown next to **Communications Port**. When USB converter AX-USB-** is used, select the one shown next to **USB Serial Port**.

2-2. Windows 8.1

- 1) Click **Start**.
- 2) Click **PC Settings** in the start menu.
- 3) Click **Control Panel** in the PC Settings menu.
- 4) Click **Hardware and Sound** in the Control Panel.
- 5) Click **Device Manager** in Hardware and Sound.
- 6) Click > next to **Port** in the Device Manager to display the port list.
- 7) On WinCT, select the COM port (COM**) shown next to **Communications Port**. When USB converter AX-USB-** is used, select the one shown next to **USB Serial Port**.

2-3. Windows 7

- 1) Click **Start**.
- 2) Click **Control Panel** in the Start menu.
- 3) Click **Device Manager** in the Control Panel.
- 4) Click > next to **Port** in the Device Manager to display the port list.
- 5) On WinCT, select the COM port (COM**) shown next to **Communications Port**. When USB converter AX-USB-** is used, select the one shown next to **USB Serial Port**.

2-4. Windows Vista

- 1) Click **Start**.
- 2) Click **Control Panel** in the Start menu.
- 3) Click **Device Manager** in the Control Panel.
- 4) Click + next to **Port** in the Device Manager to display the port list.
- 5) On WinCT, select the COM port (COM**) shown next to **Communications Port**. When USB converter AX-USB-** is used, select the one shown next to **USB Serial Port**.

2-5. Windows XP

- 1) Click **Start**.
- 2) Click **Settings** in the start menu.
- 3) Click **Control Panel** in the Settings menu.
- 4) Click **System** in the Control Panel.
- 5) Click the **Hardware** tab in System properties.
- 6) Click **Device Manager**.
- 7) Click + next to **Port** in the Device Manager to display the port list.
- 8) On WinCT, select the COM port (COM**) shown next to **Communications Port**. When USB converter AX-USB-** is used, select the one shown next to **USB Serial Port**.

2-6. Windows 2000

- 1) Click **Start**.
- 2) Click **Settings** in the start menu.
- 3) Click **Control Panel** in the Settings menu.
- 4) Click **System** in the Control Panel.
- 5) Click the **Hardware** tab in System properties.
- 6) Click **Device Manager**.
- 7) Click + next to **Port** in the Device Manager to display the port list.
- 8) On WinCT, select the COM port (COM**) shown next to **Communications Port**.

2-7. Windows 98

- 1) Click **Start**.
- 2) Click **Settings** in the start menu.
- 3) Click **Control Panel** in the Settings menu.
- 4) Click **System** in the Control Panel.
- 5) Click the **Device Manager** tab in System properties.
- 6) Click + next to **Port** to display the port list.
- 7) On WinCT, select the COM port (COM**) shown next to **Communications Port**.

RsCom

RsCom performs command transmission and data reception for communication function enabled electronic balances and scales made by A&D and stores the received data in text format.

RsCom is useful for sending and receiving data and checking data transmissions.

RsCom Window

The screenshot shows the RsCom Ver.5.11 software window. The window title is "RsCom Ver.5.11". The main area displays the A&D Company, Limited logo. Below the logo, there are several configuration sections:

- RS232C**: Port: COM9, Baud Rate: 2400, Parity: E, Length: 7, Stop Bit: 1, Terminator: CR/LF.
- Manual/Repeat**: Repeat, 5 sec.
- Data Format**: Time, Date, Seq. No, Command, PU.
- Received Data**: ST,+200.0014 g
- Command Data**: Q

At the bottom, there are buttons for Clear, Save, Printer, Start, and End. Below the buttons is a text area displaying received data:

```
ST,+200.0015 g
ST,+200.0016 g
ST,+200.0016 g,13:56:40
ST,+200.0016 g,13:56:45
ST,+200.0016 g,13:56:50,2016-05-07
ST,+200.0016 g,13:56:55,2016-05-07
ST,+200.0016 g,13:57:00,2016-05-07,1
ST,+200.0015 g,13:57:05,2016-05-07,2
ST,+200.0015 g,13:57:10,2016-05-07,3
ST,+200.0015 g,13:57:15,2016-05-07,4
ST,+200.0014 g,13:57:20,2016-05-07,5
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Annotations with red arrows and boxes provide additional information:

- A red box at the top right contains the text: "Check the Device Manager and set the correct port". An arrow points from this box to the Port dropdown menu.
- A red arrow points from the "Additional data" label to the "Seq. No" checkbox.
- A red arrow points from the "Send command" label to the Command Data dropdown menu.
- A red bracket on the right side groups the received data text area with the label: "Received data *Can be stored in plain text."

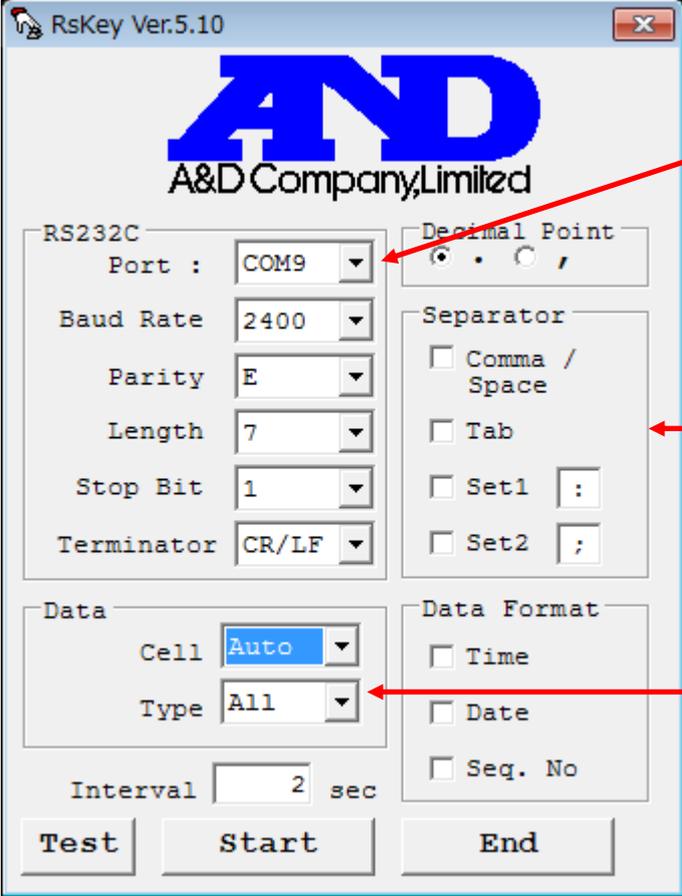
RsKey

RsKey performs data reception for communication function enabled electronic balances and scales made by A&D and writes received data directly to commercially available applications.

RsKey is useful for processing received data.

Commands cannot be sent so data must be output from balances or scales.

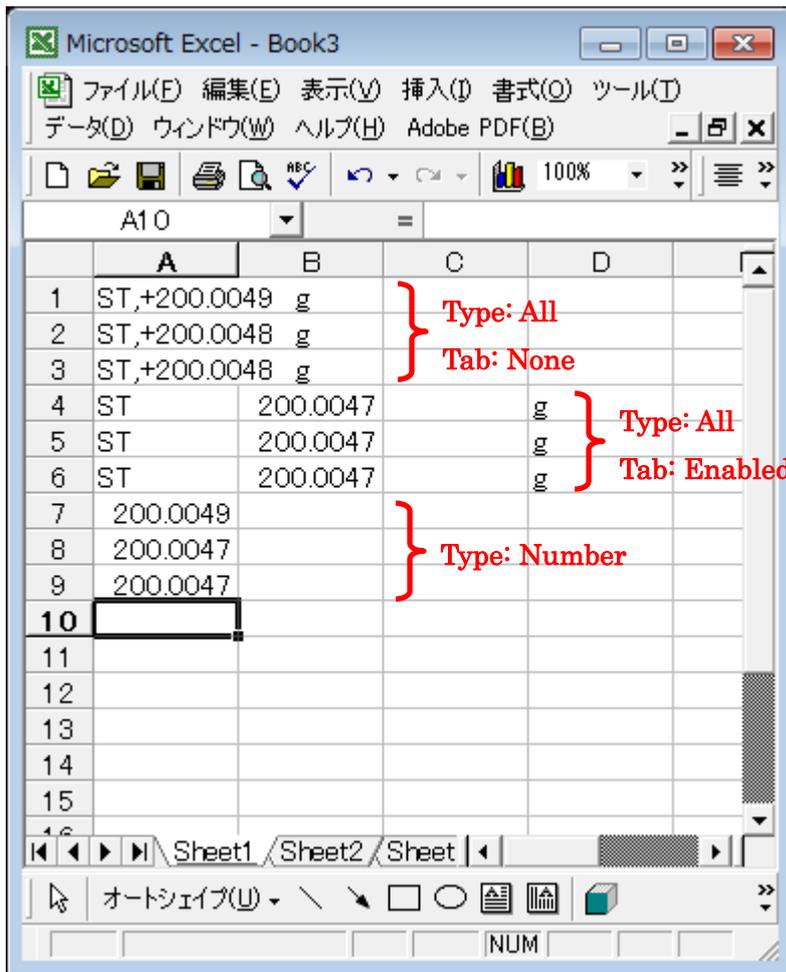
RsKey Window



The screenshot shows the RsKey Ver.5.10 window with the following settings and annotations:

- Port:** COM9 (Annotated: "Check the Device Manager and set the correct port")
- Baud Rate:** 2400
- Parity:** E
- Length:** 7
- Stop Bit:** 1
- Terminator:** CR/LF
- Decimal Point:** .
- Separator:** Comma / Space, Tab, Set1 (:), Set2 (;) (Annotated: "Separate the data with checked items")
- Data:** Cell: Auto, Type: All (Annotated: "All: Input all incoming data")
- Data Format:** Time, Date, Seq. No. (Annotated: "Number: Input only the number of incoming data")
- Interval:** 2 sec
- Buttons:** Test, Start, End

Example of directly entering data into application (in case of Microsoft Excel)



Received data

* You can change the input format to the cell in the window settings

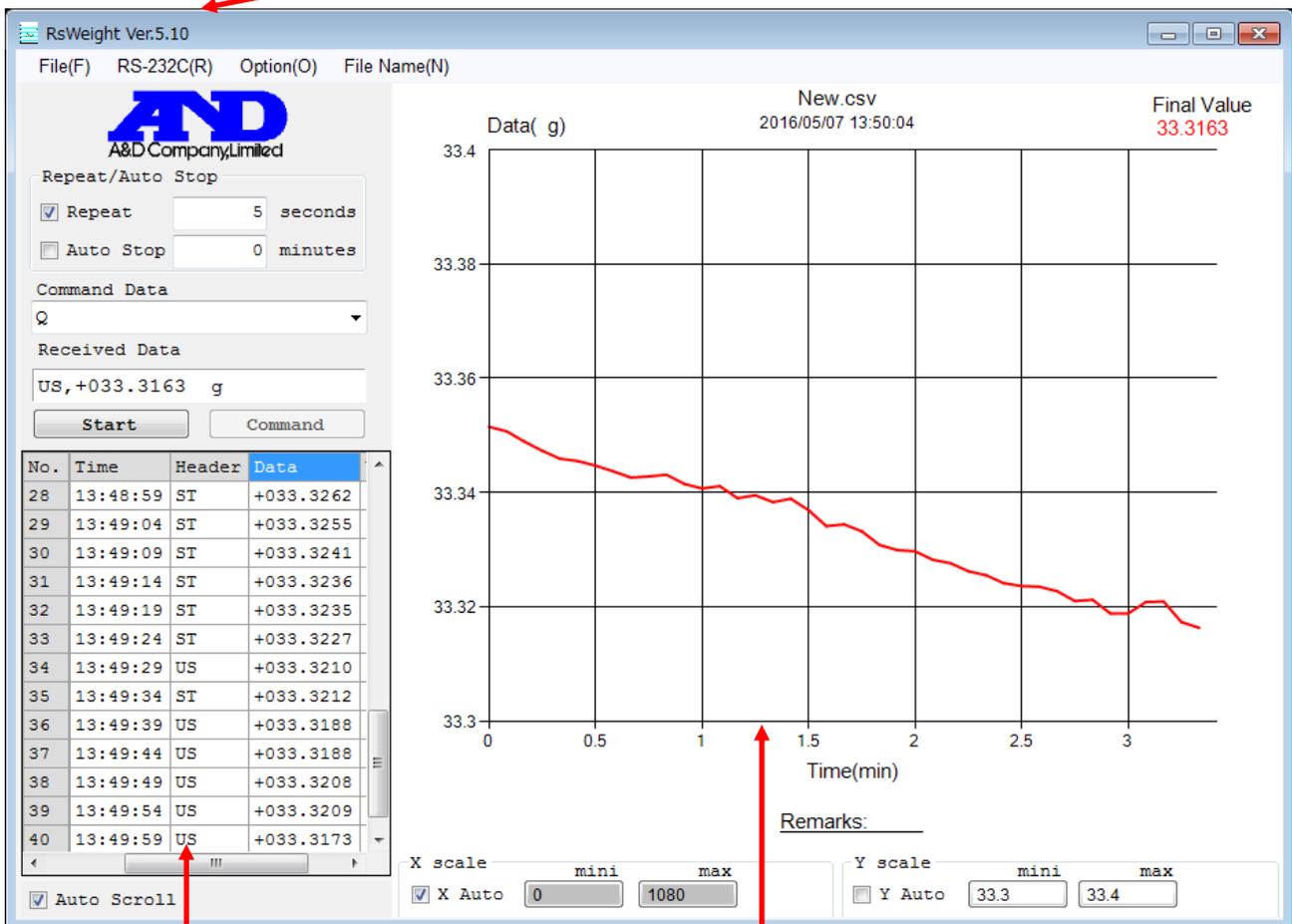
RsWeight

RsWeight performs command transmission and data reception for communication function enabled electronic balances and scales made by A&D and can graph the received data.

RsWeight is useful for comparing weighing objects and confirming change over time.

RsWeight Window

RS-232C Settings (See next page)



Received data

* Data can be saved in CSV format

Graph display

* Auto scale and numerical input can be selected for X and Y axes

* Data can be saved in JPG,BMP format

Configure COM port setting and other RS-232C settings by clicking **RS-232C(R)** in the window menu.

COM port settings example

