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NI Serial Hardware Specifications and Features Guide

This document lists safety and compliance information for NI Serial hardware, as well as physical specifications, software features, and recommended operating conditions.

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Supported Interfaces and Operating Systems

Table 1. Supported Interfaces and Operating Systems

| Hardware Interface | Windows 7 32-Bit | Windows 7 64-Bit | Windows Vista 32-Bit | Windows Vista 64-Bit | Windows XP 32-Bit/2000 | LabVIEW Real-Time |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| PCI/ PCI Express | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ ¹ |
| PXI | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| USB | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | |
| ENET | ✓ | ✓ ² | ✓ | ✓ ² | ✓ | ✓ ² |
| ExpressCard | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | |
| PCMCIA | | | ✓ ³ | | ✓ ³ | |

¹ PCI only.
² NI-VISA support only.
³ Supported by NI-Serial versions 3.5.0 and earlier.

NI-Serial for Windows and LabVIEW Real-Time Supported Interfaces

Table 2. PCI Interfaces

| PCI Interfaces | Standard | # Ports | Isolated | Max Baud (kbits/s) ³ | Connector Type ² | FIFO Size (Bytes) |
|----------------|---------------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| PCI-8430/2 | RS-232 | 2 | No | 1000.0 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| PCI-8430/4 | RS-232 | 4 | No | 1000.0 | 10P10C | 128 |
| PCI-8430/8 | RS-232 | 8 | No | 1000.0 | 68-pin SCSI | 128 |
| PCI-8430/16 | RS-232 | 16 | No | 1000.0 | 68-pin VHDCI | 128 |
| PCI-8431/2 | RS-485/RS-422 | 2 | No | 3000.0 ¹ | DB-9 male | 128 |
| PCI-8431/4 | RS-485/RS-422 | 4 | No | 3000.0 ¹ | 10P10C | 128 |
| PCI-8431/8 | RS-485/RS-422 | 8 | No | 3000.0 ¹ | 68-pin SCSI | 128 |
| PCI-8432/2 | RS-232 | 2 | Yes | 1000.0 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| PCI-8432/4 | RS-232 | 4 | Yes | 1000.0 | 10P10C | 128 |
| PCI-8433/2 | RS-485/RS-422 | 2 | Yes | 3000.0 ¹ | DB-9 male | 128 |
| PCI-8433/4 | RS-485/RS-422 | 4 | Yes | 3000.0 ¹ | 10P10C | 128 |

¹ The two-wire auto control mode for RS-485 transceiver control has a maximum baud rate of 2000 kbits/s.
² Serial connector cables end in DB-9 male serial connectors.
³ All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PCI/NI PCIe/PXI-843x family of hardware supports any baud rate between 2 bits/s and the maximum supported baud rate for that interface. All baud rates are supported because the UART can get within 1.3 percent of all baud rates in that range.

Table 3. PCI Express Interfaces

| PCI Express Interfaces | Standard | # Ports | Isolated | Max Baud (kbits/s) ³ | Connector Type ² | FIFO Size (Bytes) |
|------------------------|---------------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| NI PCIe-8430/8 | RS-232 | 8 | No | 1000.0 | 68-pin VHDCI | 128 |
| NI PCIe-8430/16 | RS-232 | 16 | No | 1000.0 | 68-pin VHDCI | 128 |
| NI PCIe-8431/8 | RS-485/RS-422 | 8 | No | 3000.0 ¹ | 68-pin VHDCI | 128 |
| NI PCIe-8431/16 | RS-485/RS-422 | 16 | No | 3000.0 ¹ | 68-pin VHDCI | 128 |

¹ The two-wire auto control mode for RS-485 transceiver control has a maximum baud rate of 2000 kbits/s.
² Serial connector cables end in DB-9 male serial connectors.
³ All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PCI/NI PCIe/PXI-843x family of hardware supports any baud rate between 2 bits/s and the maximum supported baud rate for that interface. All baud rates are supported because the UART can get within 1.3 percent of all baud rates in that range.

Table 4. PXI Interfaces

| PXI Interfaces | Standard | # Ports | Isolated | Max Baud (kbits/s) ³ | Connector Type ² | FIFO Size (Bytes) |
|----------------|---------------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| PXI-8430/2 | RS-232 | 2 | No | 1000.0 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| PXI-8430/4 | RS-232 | 4 | No | 1000.0 | 10P10C | 128 |
| PXI-8430/8 | RS-232 | 8 | No | 1000.0 | 68-pin SCSI | 128 |
| PXI-8430/16 | RS-232 | 16 | No | 1000.0 | 68-pin VHDCI | 128 |
| PXI-8431/2 | RS-485/RS-422 | 2 | No | 3000.0 ¹ | DB-9 male | 128 |
| PXI-8431/4 | RS-485/RS-422 | 4 | No | 3000.0 ¹ | 10P10C | 128 |
| PXI-8431/8 | RS-485/RS-422 | 8 | No | 3000.0 ¹ | 68-pin SCSI | 128 |
| PXI-8432/2 | RS-232 | 2 | Yes | 1000.0 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| PXI-8432/4 | RS-232 | 4 | Yes | 1000.0 | 10P10C | 128 |
| PXI-8433/2 | RS-485/RS-422 | 2 | Yes | 3000.0 ¹ | DB-9 male | 128 |
| PXI-8433/4 | RS-485/RS-422 | 4 | Yes | 3000.0 ¹ | 10P10C | 128 |

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² Serial connector cables end in DB-9 male serial connectors.
³ All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PCI/NI PCIe/PXI-843x family of hardware supports any baud rate between 2 bits/s and the maximum supported baud rate for that interface. All baud rates are supported because the UART can get within 1.3 percent of all baud rates in that range.

Table 5. USB Interfaces

| USB Interfaces | Standard | # Ports | Isolated | Max Baud (kbits/s) ¹ | Connector Type | FIFO Size (Bytes) |
|----------------|---------------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| USB-232 | RS-232 | 1 | No | 230.4 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| USB-232/2 | RS-232 | 2 | No | 230.4 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| USB-232/4 | RS-232 | 4 | No | 230.4 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| USB-485 | RS-485/RS-422 | 1 | No | 460.8 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| USB-485/2 | RS-485/RS-422 | 2 | No | 460.8 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| USB-485/4 | RS-485/RS-422 | 4 | No | 460.8 | DB-9 male | 128 |

¹ All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PCI/NI PCIe/PXI-843x family of hardware supports any baud rate between 2 bits/s and the maximum supported baud rate for that interface. All baud rates are supported because the UART can get within 1.3 percent of all baud rates in that range.

Table 6. ENET Interfaces

| ENET Interfaces | Standard | # Ports | Isolated | Max Baud (kbits/s) ¹ | Connector Type | FIFO Size (Bytes) |
|-----------------|---------------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| ENET-232/2 | RS-232 | 2 | No | 230.4 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| ENET-232/4 | RS-232 | 4 | No | 230.4 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| ENET-485/2 | RS-485/RS-422 | 2 | No | 460.8 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| ENET-485/4 | RS-485/RS-422 | 4 | No | 460.8 | DB-9 male | 128 |

¹ All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PCI/NI PCIe/PXI-843x family of hardware supports any baud rate between 2 bits/s and the maximum supported baud rate for that interface. All baud rates are supported because the UART can get within 1.3 percent of all baud rates in that range.

Table 7. PCMCIA Interfaces

| PCMCIA Interfaces | Standard | Isolated | Max Baud (kbits/s) ¹ | Connector Type | FIFO Size (Bytes) |
|-------------------|---------------|----------|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| PCMCIA-232 | RS-232 | No | 921.6 | DB-9 male | 16 |
| PCMCIA-232/2 | RS-232 | No | 921.6 | DB-9 male | 16 |
| PCMCIA-232/4 | RS-232 | No | 115.2 | DB-9 male | 64 |
| PCMCIA-485 | RS-485/RS-422 | No | 921.6 | DB-9 male | 16 |
| PCMCIA-485/2 | RS-485/RS-422 | No | 921.6 | DB-9 male | 16 |

¹ All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PCI/NI PCIe/PXI-843x family of hardware supports any baud rate between 2 bits/s and the maximum supported baud rate for that interface. All baud rates are supported because the UART can get within 1.3 percent of all baud rates in that range.

Table 8. ExpressCard Interfaces

| ExpressCard Interfaces | Standard | # Ports | Isolated | Max Baud (kbits/s) ¹ | Connector Type | FIFO Size (Bytes) |
|------------------------|---------------|---------|----------|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| NI ExpressCard-8420/2 | RS-232 | 2 | No | 230.4 | DB-9 male | 128 |
| NI ExpressCard-8421/2 | RS-485/RS-422 | 2 | No | 460.8 | DB-9 male | 128 |

¹ All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PCI/NI PCIe/PXI-843x family of hardware supports any baud rate between 2 bits/s and the maximum supported baud rate for that interface. All baud rates are supported because the UART can get within 1.3 percent of all baud rates in that range.

National Instruments considers the following baud rates to be standard. NI serial hardware supports these rates up to the maximum rate specified. Your device may also support additional baud rates not listed below:

| | | | | |
|------|------|-------|--------|--------|
| 300 | 2400 | 14400 | 57600 | 460800 |
| 600 | 4800 | 19200 | 115200 | |
| 1200 | 9600 | 38400 | 230400 | |

To set the baud rate, set the VISA Baud attribute or use the Windows SetCommState function and pass the actual value of the baud rate in the **BaudRate** field of the **DCB** structure.

Refer to [Hardware Specifications](#) for supported baud rates on each board.

NI-Serial Hardware Operating System Support

Refer to the following table for operating system support for NI serial hardware.

Table 9. NI-Serial Hardware Operating System Support

| Bus | Windows 7 32 | Windows 7 64 | Windows Vista 32 | Windows Vista 64 | Windows XP/2000 | Linux x86 | LabVIEW Real-Time | Mac OS X |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------|
| PCI/NI PCIe-843x | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆ ³ | ◆◆ ¹ | |
| PXI-843x | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆ ³ | ◆◆ | |
| USB | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | | | |
| ENET | ◆◆ | ● | ◆◆ | ● | ◆◆ | ● | ● | ● |
| ExpressCard | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | ◆◆ | | | |
| PCMCIA | | | ◆◆ ² | | ◆◆ ² | ◆◆ | | |

● NI-VISA support
 ◆ Native OS support (COM port with NI-Serial driver)

¹ PCI only.
² Supported with NI-Serial 3.5.0 and earlier.
³ With Linux kernel 2.6.30 and later (RS-232 only), including 64-bit Linux.

Serial Hardware Features

To determine which features your product supports, refer to the following table.

Table 10. Serial Hardware Features

| Hardware | Adjustable FIFO Settings | Get Interface Type | RS-485 Transceiver Control | RS-485 Socketed Bias Resistors | RS-485 Programmatically Controlled Bias Resistors | RS-232 Transceiver State | RS-232 DTE/DCE Transceiver Control | Hardware Implemented Flow Control | | |
|--|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|----------|
| | | | | | | | | RTS/CTS | DTR/DSR | Xon/Xoff |
| PCI/NI PCIe/ PXI-8430, PCI/PXI-8432 | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| PCI/NI PCIe/ PXI-8431 eight port and NI PCIe-8431 16 port | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | ✓ | | ✓ |
| All other PCI/PXI-8431 and PCI/PXI-8433 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | ✓ |
| USB-232 one port | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| USB-232 two and four port | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| USB-485 one port | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | ✓ | | ✓ |
| USB-485 two and four port | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | ✓ | | ✓ |
| ENET-232 | | | | | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| ENET-485 | | | ✓ | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | ✓ |
| NI ExpressCard-8420 | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| NI ExpressCard-8421 | | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | | ✓ | | ✓ |
| PCMCIA-232 | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | | |
| PCMCIA-485 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | | |

Connectors and Pinouts

DB-9 Male

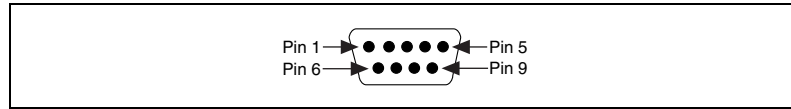


Figure 1. DB-9 Connector Pin Locations

Table 11. DB-9 Male Pin Descriptions

| Pin | 232 DTE | 232 DCE | 422/485 |
|-----|------------------|---------|-------------|
| 1 | DCD ¹ | DCD | GND |
| 2 | RXD | TXD | CTS+ (HSI+) |
| 3 | TXD | RXD | RTS+ (HSO+) |
| 4 | DTR ¹ | DSR | RXD+ |
| 5 | GND | GND | RXD- |
| 6 | DSR ¹ | DTR | CTS- (HSI-) |
| 7 | RTS | CTS | RTS- (HSO-) |
| 8 | CTS | RTS | TXD+ |
| 9 | RI ¹ | RI | TXD- |

¹ These signals are “No Connect” on the PCI-232I and PXI-8422 ports and ports 9–16 on legacy 16-port boards.



Note DCE mode supported on USB-232/2 and USB-232/4 only.

DB-25 Male

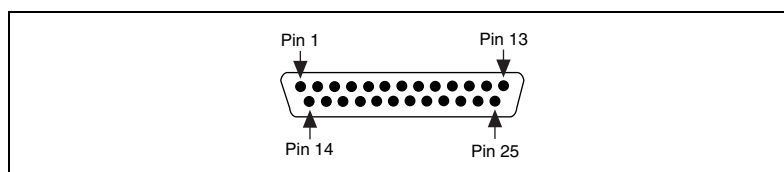


Figure 2. DB-25 Connector Pin Locations

Table 12. DB-25 Pin Descriptions

| Pin | 232 | 422/485 |
|-----|------------------|-------------|
| 2 | TXD | RTS+ (HSO+) |
| 3 | RXD | CTS+ (HSI+) |
| 4 | RTS | RTS- (HSO-) |
| 5 | CTS | TXD+ |
| 6 | DSR ¹ | CTS- (HSI-) |
| 7 | GND | RXD- |
| 8 | DCD ¹ | GND |
| 20 | DTR ¹ | RXD+ |
| 22 | RI ¹ | TXD- |

¹ These signals are “No Connect” on the PCI-232I and PXI-8422 ports.



Note Pins not listed in this table are “No Connect.”

10-Position Modular Jack (10P10C)

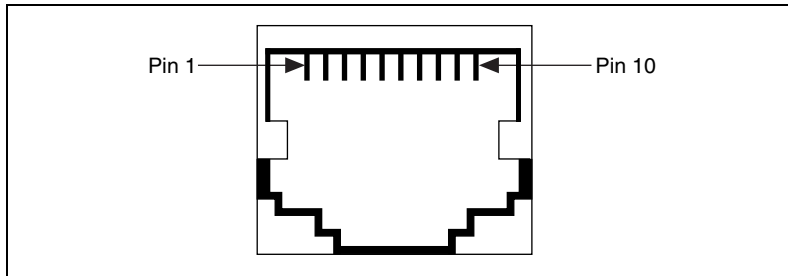


Figure 3. 10-Position Modular Jack Pin Locations

Table 13. 10-Position Modular Jack Pin Descriptions

| Pin | 232 | 422/485 |
|-----|------------------|-------------|
| 1 | No Connect | No Connect |
| 2 | RI ¹ | TXD- |
| 3 | CTS | TXD+ |
| 4 | RTS | RTS- (HSO-) |
| 5 | DSR ¹ | CTS- (HSI-) |
| 6 | GND | RXD- |
| 7 | DTR ¹ | RXD+ |
| 8 | TXD | RTS+ (HSO+) |
| 9 | RXD | CTS+ (HSI+) |
| 10 | DCD ¹ | GND |

¹ These signals are “No Connect” on the PCI-232I and PXI-8422 ports.

68-Pin Connector

The following figures and table give the 68-pin connector pin locations and descriptions. The SCSI 68-pin connector and VHDCI 68-pin connector have the same pinout.

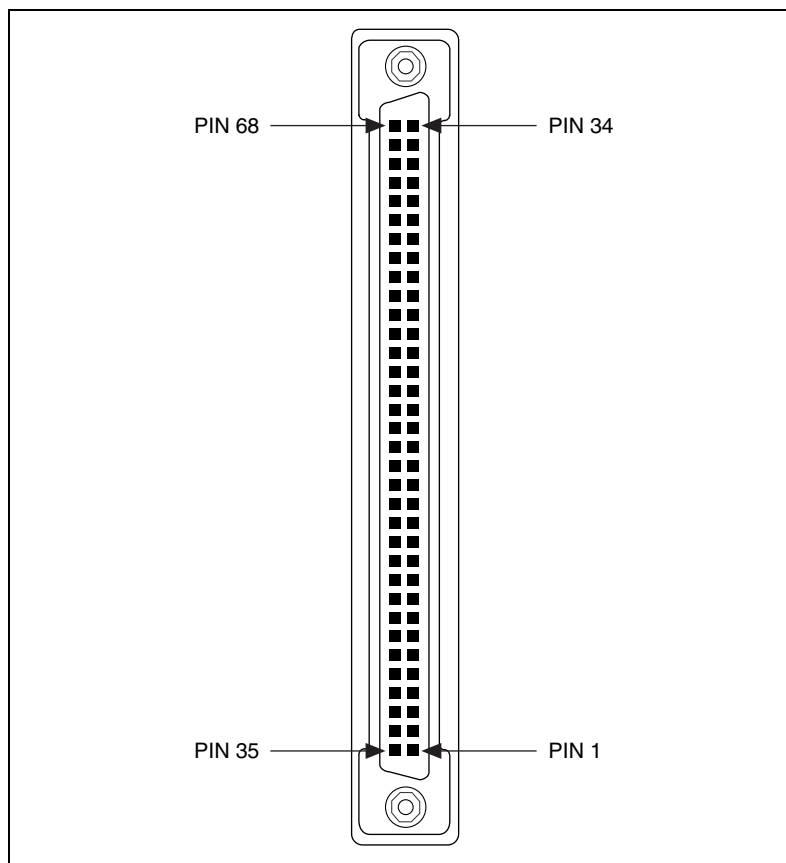


Figure 4. 68-Pin SCSI Connector Pin Locations

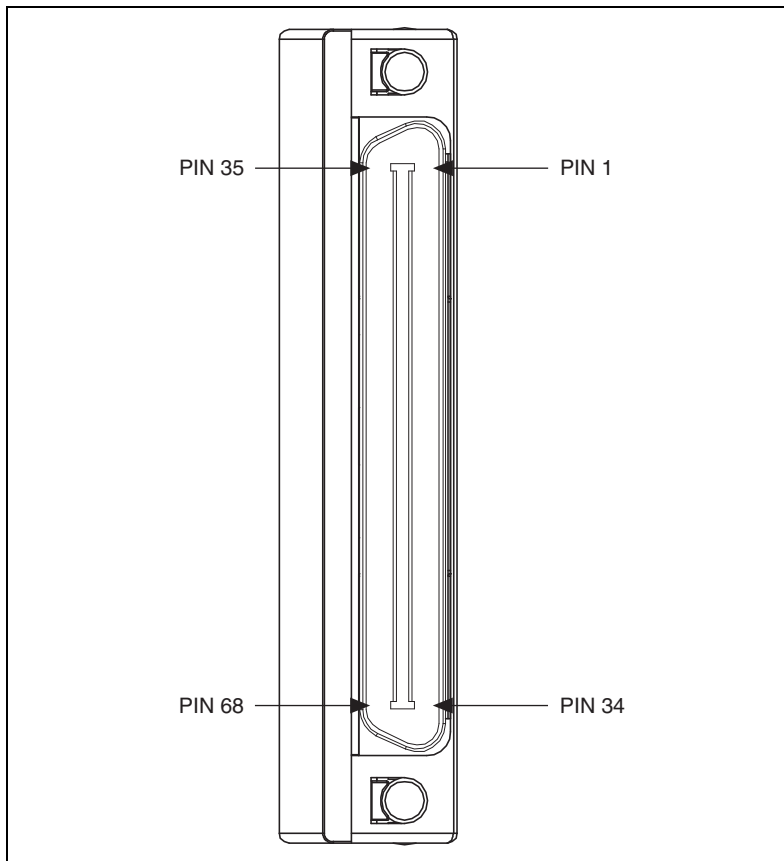


Figure 5. 68-Pin VHDCI Connector Pin Locations

Table 14. 68-Pin Connector Pin Descriptions

| 68-Pin Connector Port | | | | | | | | 485 Signal | 485 D-Sub 9 Connector | 232 Signal | 232 D-Sub 9 Connector |
|-----------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|------------|-----------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | | | | |
| 66 | 57 | 49 | 40 | 32 | 23 | 15 | 6 | RXD- | 5 | DCD | 1 |
| 68 | 59 | 51 | 42 | 34 | 25 | 17 | 8 | CTS+ | 2 | RXD | 2 |
| 65 | 56 | 48 | 39 | 31 | 22 | 14 | 5 | RTS+ | 3 | TXD | 3 |
| 64 | 55 | 47 | 38 | 30 | 21 | 13 | 4 | RXD+ | 4 | DTR | 4 |
| 60 | 60 | 43 | 43 | 26 | 26 | 9 | 9 | GND | 1 | GND | 5 |
| 63 | 54 | 46 | 37 | 29 | 20 | 12 | 3 | CTS- | 6 | DSR | 6 |
| 62 | 53 | 45 | 36 | 28 | 19 | 11 | 2 | RTS- | 7 | RTS | 7 |
| 61 | 52 | 44 | 35 | 27 | 18 | 10 | 1 | TXD+ | 8 | CTS | 8 |
| 67 | 58 | 50 | 41 | 33 | 24 | 16 | 7 | TXD- | 9 | RI | 9 |

Cables and Accessories

The following serial cables and accessories are available from National Instruments. Refer to ni.com for more information.

Table 15. Serial Cables and Accessories

| Part Number | Description |
|--|---|
| Adapter Cables (DB-9 and DB-25 connectors have jacksockets unless otherwise specified.) | |
| 182844-01 | DB-9 RS485 terminating pass-through connector 120 Ω |
| 182845-01 | Serial cable, 10P10C modular plug to DB-9 male, 1 m |
| 182845-02 | Serial cable, 10P10C modular plug to DB-9 male, 2 m |
| 182845-03 | Serial cable, 10P10C modular plug to DB-9 male, 3 m |
| 182846-01 | Serial cable, 10P10C modular plug to DB-25 male, 1 m |
| 184428-01 | Serial cable, 10P10C modular plug to DB-9 male, 1 m, isolated |
| 199022-02 | Serial cable, 10P10C to DB-9 male, jackscrews, 2 m |
| 183905-01 | Serial cable, PCMCIA-232/485 to DB-9 male, 1 m |
| 183905-0R3 | Serial cable, PCMCIA-232/485 to DB-9 male, 0.3 m |
| 197545-01 | Serial cable, 68-pin VHDCI to eight DB-9 male, RS-232, 1 m |
| 197546-01 | Serial cable, 68-pin VHDCI to eight DB-9 male, RS-485, 1 m |
| Extension and Null-Modem Cables (All cables have jackscrews.) | |
| 182238-01 | Serial cable, RS232 null modem, DB-9 female to DB-9 female, 1 m |
| 182238-02 | Serial cable, RS232 null modem, DB-9 female to DB-9 female, 2 m |
| 182238-04 | Serial cable, RS232 null modem, DB-9 female to DB-9 female, 4 m |
| 183045-01 | Serial cable, RS232 straight through, DB-9 female to DB-9 female, 1 m |
| 183045-02 | Serial cable, RS232 straight through, DB-9 female to DB-9 female, 2 m |
| 183045-04 | Serial cable, RS232 straight through, DB-9 female to DB-9 female, 4 m |
| 183283-01 | Serial cable, RS485/RS422 null modem, DB-9 female to DB-9 female, 1 m |
| 183283-02 | Serial cable, RS485/RS422 null modem, DB-9 female to DB-9 female, 2 m |
| 183283-04 | Serial cable, RS485/RS422 null modem, DB-9 female to DB-9 female, 4 m |

RS-232, RS-422, and RS-485

RS-232, RS-422, and RS-485 Features

Table 16. RS-232, RS-422, and RS-485 Features

| Feature | RS-232 | RS-422 | RS-485 |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Type of transmission lines | Single ended | Differential | Differential |
| Maximum number of drivers | 1 | 1 | 32 |
| Maximum number of receivers | 1 | 10 | 32 |
| Maximum cable length | 2500 pF equivalent | 4,000 ft | 4,000 ft |
| Maximum CMV | ± 25 V | ± 7 V | +12 to -7 V |
| Driver output ¹ | 5 to 25 V | 2 to 6 V | 1.5 to 6 V |
| Driver load | <3 k Ω | 100 Ω | 60 Ω |

¹ Actual driver output varies depending on cable length and load.

RS-232 Loopback

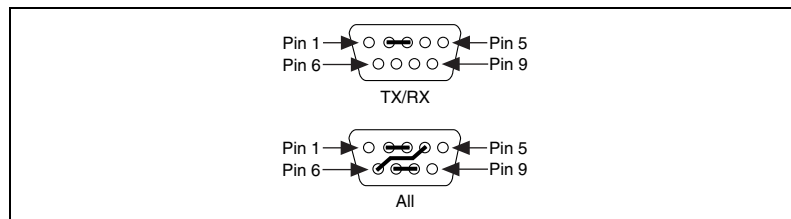


Figure 6. RS-232 Loopback

RS-232 Signals

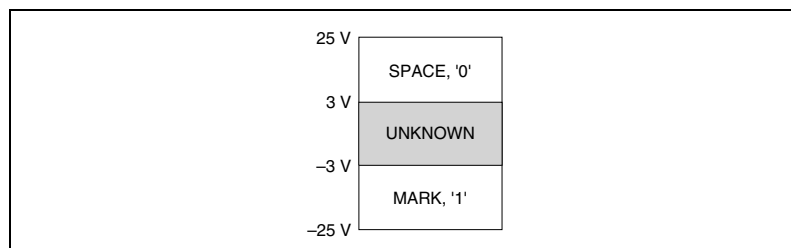


Figure 7. RS-232 Signals

RS-485/422 Loopback

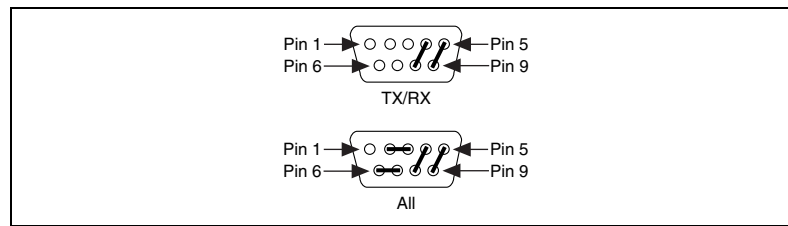


Figure 8. RS-485/422 Loopback

RS-485/422 Signals

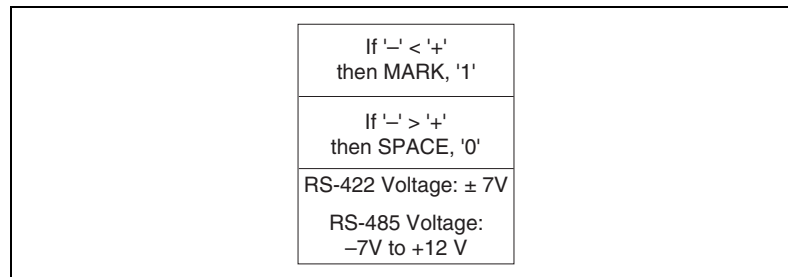


Figure 9. RS-485/422 Signals

RS-485 Topologies

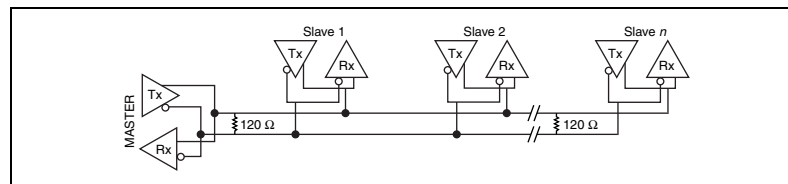


Figure 10. 2-Wire Multidrop Network Using Terminating Resistors

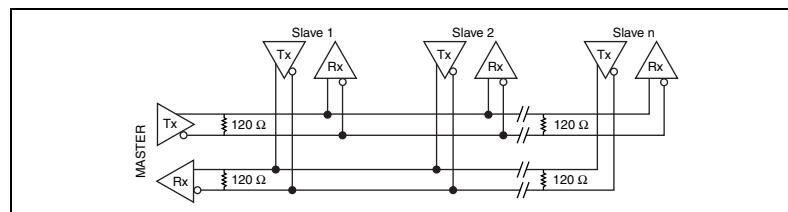


Figure 11. 4-Wire Full-Duplex Multidrop Network Using Terminating Resistors

RS-485 terminators are available at ni.com/serial.

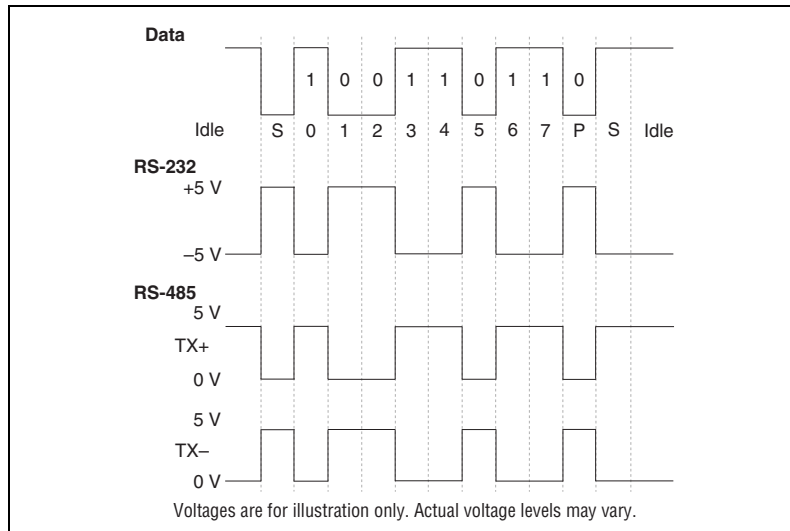
RS-485 Transceiver Control

| Enable | 4-Wire | 2-Wire | | |
|--------|--------|----------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| | | DTR/Echo | DTR/No Echo | Auto |
| TX | ON | DTR | DTR | TX |
| RX | ON | ON | $\overline{\text{DTR}}$ | $\overline{\text{TX}}$ |

Transceiver control is available on all NI Serial RS-485 interface products.

UART Data Frame Example

0xD9—8 Data Bits, Odd Parity, 1 Stop Bit



Hardware Specifications

NI 9870 RS-232 C-Series Module

C-Series modules are for use with the NI CompactRIO platform. For complete module and system specifications, refer to the *NI 9870 Operating Instructions and Specifications*.

Specifications

The following specifications are typical for the range -40 to 70 °C unless otherwise noted.

Maximum baud rate 921.6 kbps

The NI 9870 supports arbitrary baud rates according to the following equation:

$$\text{BaudRate} = 3.6864 \text{ Mbps} / (\text{Prescaler} * \text{Divider})$$

Prescaler can be {4, ..., 65535}.

Divider can be 1 or 4.

As long as the actual baud rate is within 2% of the desired baud rate, communication errors should not happen.

Maximum cable length250 pF equivalent



Note Cable capacitance greater than 250 pF may adversely affect the maximum baud rate and thermal dissipation.

Maximum RS232 Receive signal
(RXD, CTS, DSR, DCD, RI)
Continuous Voltage±8 V



Note Continuous RS232 input voltages in excess of ±8 V may cause excessive thermal dissipation.

Data line ESD protection
(human body model).....±15 kV

MTBF448,008 hours at 25 °C; Bellcore
Issue 6, Method 1, Case 3,
Limited Part Stress Method



Note Contact NI for Bellcore MTBF specifications at other temperatures or for MIL-HDBK-217F specifications.

Power Requirements

Power consumption from chassis

Active mode.....0.5 W max
Sleep mode50 μW max

Thermal dissipation (at 70 °C)

Active mode.....1.5 W max
Sleep mode0.5 W max

Required external supply
voltage range (V_{SUP})+8 to +28 VDC

Power supply consumption from external supply V_{SUP}
 Typical 0.5 W
 Maximum..... 2 W

Physical Characteristics

If you need to clean the module, wipe it with a dry towel.

Weight..... Approx. 154 g (5.4 oz)

Safety

Maximum Voltage¹

Connect only voltages that are within these limits.

RS232 Receive Signal-to-COM
 (RXD, CTS, DSR, DCD, RI) ± 25 V max,
 Measurement Category I

RS232 Transmit Signal-to-COM
 (TX, RTS, DTR) ± 13.2 V max,
 Measurement Category I

V_{SUP} -to-COM..... ± 28 V max,
 Measurement Category I

Measurement Category I is for measurements performed on circuits not directly connected to the electrical distribution system referred to as *MAINS* voltage. *MAINS* is a hazardous live electrical supply system that powers equipment. This category is for measurements of voltages from specially protected secondary circuits. Such voltage measurements include signal levels, special equipment, limited-energy parts of equipment, circuits powered by regulated low-voltage sources, and electronics.



Caution Do *not* connect to signals or use for measurements within Measurement Categories II, III, or IV.

Isolation Voltages

Port-to-earth ground

Withstand 1000 V_{rms} , verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test

Continuous 60 VDC,
 Measurement Category I

¹ The maximum voltage that can be applied or output without creating a safety hazard.

Shock and Vibration

To meet these specifications, you must panel mount the CompactRIO system.

| | |
|--|--|
| Operating vibration, random (IEC 60068-2-64) | 5 g _{rms} , 10 to 500 Hz |
| Operating shock (IEC 60068-2-27) | 30 g, 11 ms half sine, 50 g, 3 ms half sine, 18 shocks at 6 orientations |
| Operating vibration, sinusoidal (IEC 60068-2-6) | 5 g, 10 to 500 Hz |

Environmental

CompactRIO modules are intended for indoor use only. For outdoor use, mount the CompactRIO system in a suitably rated enclosure. Refer to the installation instructions for the chassis you are using for more information about meeting these specifications.

| | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Operating temperature | -40 to 70 °C |
| Storage temperature | -40 to 85 °C |
| Ingress protection | IP 40 |
| Operating humidity | 10 to 90% RH, noncondensing |
| Storage humidity | 5 to 95% RH, noncondensing |
| Maximum altitude | 2,000 m |
| Pollution Degree (IEC 60664) | 2 |

NI 9871 RS-485 C-Series Module

C-Series modules are for use with the NI CompactRIO platform. For complete module and system specifications, refer to the *NI 9871 Operating Instructions and Specifications*

Specifications

The following specifications are typical for the range -40 to 70 °C unless otherwise noted.

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Maximum baud rate | 3.6864 Mbps |
|-------------------------|-------------|

The NI 9871 supports arbitrary baud rates according to the following equation:

$$\text{BaudRate} = 3.6864 \text{ Mbps} / (\text{Prescaler} * \text{Divider})$$

Prescaler can be (4..65535).

Divider can be 1 or 4.

As long as the actual baud rate is within 2% of the desired baud rate, communication errors should not happen.

Maximum cable length..... 1.2 km (4,000 ft.)

Data line ESD protection
(human body model) ±15 kV

MTBF 514,016 hours at 25 °C; Bellcore
Issue 6, Method 1, Case 3,
Limited Part Stress Method



Note Contact NI for Bellcore MTBF specifications at other temperatures or for MIL-HDBK-217F specifications.

Power Requirements

Power consumption from chassis

Active mode 0.5 W max

Sleep mode 50 µW max

Thermal dissipation (at 70 °C)

Active mode 1.5 W max

Sleep mode 55 mW max

Required external supply

voltage range (V_{SUP}) +8 to +28 VDC

Power supply consumption from external supply V_{SUP}

Typical 1 W

Maximum 3.5 W

Physical Characteristics

If you need to clean the module, wipe it with a dry towel.

Weight Approx. 153 g (5.4 oz)

Safety

Maximum Voltage¹

Connect only voltages that are within these limits.

RS485/RS422 Port-to-COM -8 to +13 VDC max,
Measurement Category I

V_{SUP}-to-COM ±28 V max,
Measurement Category I

Measurement Category I is for measurements performed on circuits not directly connected to the electrical distribution system referred to as *MAINS* voltage. *MAINS* is a hazardous live electrical supply system that powers equipment. This category is for measurements of voltages from specially protected secondary circuits. Such voltage measurements include signal levels, special equipment, limited-energy parts of equipment, circuits powered by regulated low-voltage sources, and electronics.



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Isolation Voltages

Port-to-earth ground

Withstand 1000 V_{rms}, verified by a 5 s
dielectric withstand test

Continuous 60 VDC,
Measurement Category I

Shock and Vibration

To meet these specifications, you must panel mount the CompactRIO system.

Operating vibration,
random (IEC 60068-2-64) 5 g_{rms}, 10 to 500 Hz

Operating shock
(IEC 60068-2-27) 30 g, 11 ms half sine,
50 g, 3 ms half sine,
18 shocks at 6 orientations

Operating vibration,
sinusoidal (IEC 60068-2-6) 5 g, 10 to 500 Hz

¹ The maximum voltage that can be applied or output without creating a safety hazard.

Environmental

CompactRIO modules are intended for indoor use only. For outdoor use, mount the CompactRIO system in a suitably rated enclosure. Refer to the installation instructions for the chassis you are using for more information about meeting these specifications.

| | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Operating temperature..... | –40 to 70 °C |
| Storage temperature | –40 to 85 °C |
| Ingress protection | IP 40 |
| Operating humidity | 10 to 90% RH, noncondensing |
| Storage humidity | 5 to 95% RH, noncondensing |
| Maximum altitude | 2,000 m |
| Pollution Degree (IEC 60664) | 2 |

PCI Serial Hardware

This section describes the characteristics of the PCI serial hardware and the recommended operating conditions.

PCI-843x Series Hardware

PCI-8430/2 (RS-232) and PCI-8431/2 (RS-485/422)

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dimensions..... | 10.67 × 14.22 cm (4.2 × 5.6 in.) |
| I/O connector..... | DB-9 male connector |
| Power requirement (from PCI channel) | |
| PCI-8430/2 | |
| +5 VDC..... | 325 mA typical 500 mA maximum |
| PCI-8431/2 | |
| +5 VDC..... | 500 mA typical 700 mA maximum |
| Weight | |
| PCI-8430/2..... | 88 g |
| PCI-8431/2..... | 92 g |

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| PCI-8430/2 | 1 Mbps |
| PCI-8431/2 | 3 Mbps |

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

PCI-8430/4 (RS-232) and PCI-8431/4 (RS-485/422)

| | |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dimensions | 10.67 × 14.22 cm (4.2 × 5.6 in.) |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| I/O connector ¹ | 10-position modular jack (10P10C) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|

Power requirement (from PCI channel)

| | |
|--------------|----------------------------------|
| PCI-8430/4 | |
| +5 VDC | 400 mA typical 600 mA maximum |
| PCI-8431/4 | |
| +5 VDC | 725 mA typical 1.1 A maximum |

Weight

| | |
|------------------|-------|
| PCI-8430/4 | 99 g |
| PCI-8431/4 | 102 g |

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| PCI-8430/4 | 1 Mbps |
| PCI-8431/4 | 3 Mbps |

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

PCI-8430/8 (RS-232) and PCI-8431/8 (RS-485/422)

| | |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dimensions | 10.67 × 14.48 cm (4.2 × 5.7 in.) |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| I/O connector ² | 68-pin, SCSI type connector |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|

Power requirement (from PCI channel)

| | |
|--------------|----------------------------------|
| PCI-8430/8 | |
| +5 VDC | 600 mA typical 900 mA maximum |

¹ The four-port PCI serial boards require cables, included in your kit, to convert the 10-position modular jacks (10P10C) to DB-9 male connectors.

² The eight-port PCI serial boards require a cable, included in your kit, to convert the 68-pin connector to eight DB-9 connectors.

| | |
|-------------|--------------------------------|
| PCI-8431/8 | |
| +5 VDC..... | 1.3 A typical 1.9 A maximum |

Weight

| | |
|-----------------|------|
| PCI-8430/8..... | 84 g |
| PCI-8431/8..... | 85 g |

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|-----------------|--------|
| PCI-8430/8..... | 1 Mbps |
| PCI-8431/8..... | 3 Mbps |

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

PCI-8430/16 (RS-232)

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dimensions..... | 10.67 × 17.52 cm (4.2 × 6.9 in.) |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| I/O connector ¹ | 68-pin, VHDCI × 2 |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|

Power requirement (from PCI channel)

| | |
|-------------|---------------------------------|
| PCI-8430/16 | |
| +5 VDC..... | 935 mA typical 1.4 A maximum |

| | |
|-------------|------|
| Weight..... | 99 g |
|-------------|------|

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Maximum baud rate | 1 Mbps |
|-------------------------|--------|

Board supports any baud rate below the maximum.

PCI-8432/2 (RS-232) and PCI-8433/2 (RS-485/422)

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dimensions..... | 10.67 × 17.52 cm (4.2 × 6.9 in.) |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|

| | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| I/O connector..... | DB-9 male connector |
|--------------------|---------------------|

Operating rated voltage (continuous)

| | |
|--------------|----------------|
| RS-232 | -25 V to +25 V |
| RS-485 | -7 V to + 12 V |

¹ The 16-port PCI serial boards require two cables, included in your kit, to convert the two 68-pin connectors to the 16 (2 × 8) DB-9 male connectors.

Isolation voltages

Port-to-port

| | |
|------------------|---|
| Continuous | 60 VDC (CAT I) |
| Withstand | 2000 V _{rms} , verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test |

Port-to-host

| | |
|------------------|---|
| Continuous | 60 VDC (CAT I) |
| Withstand | 2000 V _{rms} , verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test |

Power requirement (from PCI channel)

PCI-8432/2

| | |
|--------------|----------------------------------|
| +5 VDC | 380 mA typical 570 mA maximum |
|--------------|----------------------------------|

PCI-8433/2

| | |
|--------------|----------------------------------|
| +5 VDC | 380 mA typical 570 mA maximum |
|--------------|----------------------------------|

Weight

| | |
|------------------|-------|
| PCI-8432/2 | 102 g |
| PCI-8433/2 | 104 g |

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| PCI-8432/2 | 1 Mbps |
| PCI-8433/2 | 3 Mbps |

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

PCI-8432/4 (RS-232) and PCI-8433/4 (RS-485/422)

| | |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Dimensions | 10.67 × 17.44 cm (4.2 × 6.9 in.) |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| I/O connector ¹ | 10-position modular jack (10P10C) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|

Operating rated voltage (continuous)

| | |
|--------------|----------------|
| RS-232 | -25 V to +25 V |
| RS-485 | -7 V to +12 V |

¹ The four-port PCI serial boards require cables, included in your kit, to convert the 10-position modular (10P10C) jacks to DB-9 male connectors.

Isolation voltages

Port-to-port

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Continuous..... | 60 VDC (CAT I) |
| Withstand..... | 2000 V _{rms} , verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test |

Port-to-host

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Continuous..... | 60 VDC (CAT I) |
| Withstand..... | 2000 V _{rms} , verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test |

Power requirement (from PCI channel)

PCI-8432/4

| | |
|-------------|----------------------------------|
| +5 VDC..... | 550 mA typical 815 mA maximum |
|-------------|----------------------------------|

PCI-8433/4

| | |
|-------------|---------------------------------|
| +5 VDC..... | 785 mA typical 1.2 A maximum |
|-------------|---------------------------------|

Weight

| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| PCI-8432/4..... | 105 g |
| PCI-8433/4..... | 106 g |

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|-----------------|--------|
| PCI-8432/4..... | 1 Mbps |
| PCI-8433/4..... | 3 Mbps |

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

Environmental Characteristics (for All PCI Interfaces)

Operating Environment

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Ambient temperature..... | 0 to 55 °C (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-1 and IEC-60068-2-2.) |
|--------------------------|--|

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Relative humidity..... | 10 to 90%, noncondensing (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-56.) |
|------------------------|---|

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Altitude (maximum)..... | 2,000 m |
|-------------------------|---------|

Pollution Degree2

Indoor use only.

Storage Environment

Ambient temperature-20 to 70 °C
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-1 and
IEC-60068-2-2.)

Relative humidity5 to 95%, noncondensing
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-56.)

Other Specifications

Maximum cable length

RS-485¹30 m (limited by EMC/surge)
RS-2322,500 pF equivalent
(TIA-EIA-232-F 2.1.4)

Data line ESD protection (human body model)

RS-485±15 kV
RS-232±15 kV



Note This equipment is intended for indoor use only.

Safety

This product meets the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 61010-1, EN 61010-1
- UL 61010-1, CSA 61010-1



Note For UL and other safety certifications, refer to the product label or the [Online Product Certification](#) section.

¹ RS-485 is capable of 1.2 km (4,000 ft) without surge limitation.

Electromagnetic Compatibility

This product meets the requirements of the following EMC standards for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- EN 61326 (IEC 61326): Class A emissions; Basic immunity
- EN 55011 (CISPR 11): Group 1, Class A emissions
- AS/NZS CISPR 11: Group 1, Class A emissions
- FCC 47 CFR Part 15B: Class A emissions
- ICES-001: Class A emissions



Note For the standards applied to assess the EMC of this product, refer to the *Online Product Certification* section.



Note For EMC compliance, operate this device with shielded cabling.

CE Compliance

This product meets the essential requirements of applicable European Directives as follows:

- 2006/95/EC; Low-Voltage Directive (safety)
- 2004/108/EC; Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive (EMC)

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PCI Express Serial Hardware

This section describes the characteristics of the PCI Express serial hardware and the recommended operating conditions.

NI PCIe-843x Series Hardware

NI PCIe-8430/16 (RS-232) and NI PCIe-8431/16 (RS-485/422)

Dimensions (without bracket)11.12 × 17.53 cm (4.38 × 6.9 in.)

I/O connectors

NI PCIe-8430/16

RS-232¹68-pin VHDCI × 2

PCI Expressx1

NI PCIe-8431/16

RS-485¹68-pin VHDCI × 2

PCI Expressx1

Power requirement (from PCI Express channel)

NI PCIe-8430/16

+3.3 VDC400 mA typical, 1.5 A maximum

+12 VDC210 mA typical
250 mA maximum

NI PCIe-8431/16

+3.3 VDC²1.4 A typical, 3 A maximum

+12 VDC210 mA typical
250 mA maximum

¹ The 16-port PCI Express serial boards require two cables, included in your kit, to convert the two 68-pin connectors to the 16 (2 × 8) DB-9 male connectors.

² These values are based on the assumption that all 16 ports (for the NI PCIe-8431/16) or 8 ports (for the NI PCIe-8431/8) are using a 620 Ω bias resistor and NI-offered terminators installed on both ends of the cable.

Weight

| | |
|----------------------|-------|
| NI PCIe-8430/16..... | 99 g |
| NI PCIe-8431/16..... | 101 g |

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|----------------------|--------|
| NI PCIe-8430/16..... | 1 Mbps |
| NI PCIe-8431/16..... | 3 Mbps |

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

NI PCIe-8430/8 (RS-232) and NI PCIe-8431/8 (RS-485/422)

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Dimensions (without bracket)..... | 11.12 × 17.53 cm (4.38 × 6.9 in.) |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|

I/O connectors

NI PCIe-8430/8

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| RS-232 ¹ | 68-pin VHDCI |
| PCI Express | x1 |

NI PCIe-8431/8

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| RS-485 ¹ | 68-pin VHDCI |
| PCI Express | x1 |

Power requirement (from PCI Express channel)

NI PCIe-8430/8

| | |
|---------------|----------------------------------|
| +3.3 VDC..... | 200 mA typical 750 mA maximum |
| +12 VDC..... | 190 mA typical 220 mA maximum |

NI PCIe-8431/8

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| +3.3 VDC ² | 700 mA typical, 1.5 A maximum |
| +12 VDC..... | 190 mA typical 220 mA maximum |

Weight

| | |
|---------------------|------|
| NI PCIe-8430/8..... | 88 g |
| NI PCIe-8431/8..... | 90 g |

¹ The 8-port PCI Express serial boards require a cable, included in your kit, to convert the 68-pin connector to eight DB-9 male connectors.

² These values are based on the assumption that all 16 ports (for the NI PCIe-8431/16) or 8 ports (for the NI PCIe-8431/8) are using a 620 Ω bias resistor and NI-offered terminators installed on both ends of the cable.

| | |
|----------------------|--------|
| Maximum baud rate | |
| NI PCIe-8430/8 | 1 Mbps |
| NI PCIe-8431/8 | 3 Mbps |

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

Environmental Characteristics (for All PCI Express Interfaces)

Operating Environment

| | |
|---------------------------|--|
| Ambient temperature | 0 to 55 °C (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-1 and IEC-60068-2-2.) |
| Relative humidity | 10 to 90%, noncondensing (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-56.) |
| Altitude (maximum) | 2,000 m |

Indoor use only.

Storage Environment

| | |
|---------------------------|--|
| Ambient temperature | -20 to 70 °C (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-1 and IEC-60068-2-2.) |
| Relative humidity | 5 to 95%, noncondensing (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-56.) |

Other Specifications

| | |
|---|--|
| Maximum cable length | |
| RS-485 ¹ | 30 m (limited by EMC/surge) |
| RS-232 | 2,500 pF equivalent (TIA-EIA-232-F 2.1.4) |
| Data line ESD protection (human body model) | |
| RS-485 | ±15 kV |
| RS-232 | ±15 kV |

¹ RS-485 is capable of 1.2 km (4,000 ft) without surge limitation.



Note This equipment is intended for indoor use only.

Safety

This product meets the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 61010-1, EN 61010-1
- UL 61010-1, CSA 61010-1



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- ICES-001: Class A emissions



Note For the standards applied to assess the EMC of this product, refer to the *Online Product Certification* section.



Note For EMC compliance, operate this device with shielded cabling.

CE Compliance

This product meets the essential requirements of applicable European Directives as follows:

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PXI Serial Hardware

This section describes the characteristics of the PXI serial hardware and the recommended operating conditions.

PXI-843x Serial Hardware

PXI-8430/2 (RS-232) and PXI-8431/2 (RS-485/422)

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Dimensions | 100 × 160 mm (3.94 × 6.37 in.) |
| I/O connector | DB-9 male connector |
| Power requirement (from PXI channel) | |
| PXI-8430/2 | |
| +5 VDC | 325 mA typical 500 mA maximum |
| PXI-8431/2 | |
| +5 VDC | 500 mA typical 750 mA maximum |
| Weight | |
| PXI-8430/2 | 134 g |
| PXI-8431/2 | 134 g |

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|-----------------|--------|
| PXI-8430/2..... | 1 Mbps |
| PXI-8431/2..... | 3 Mbps |

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

PXI-8430/4 (RS-232) and PXI-8431/4 (RS-485/422)

| | |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Dimensions..... | 100 × 160 mm (3.94 × 6.37 in.) |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| I/O connector ¹ | 10-position modular jack (10P10C) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|

Power requirement (from PXI channel)

| | |
|-------------|----------------------------------|
| PXI-8430/4 | |
| +5 VDC..... | 400 mA typical 600 mA maximum |
| PXI-8431/4 | |
| +5 VDC..... | 725 mA typical 1.1 A maximum |

Weight

| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| PXI-8430/4..... | 137 g |
| PXI-8431/4..... | 140 g |

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|-----------------|--------|
| PXI-8430/4..... | 1 Mbps |
| PXI-8431/4..... | 3 Mbps |

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

PXI-8430/8 (RS-232) and PXI-8431/8 (RS-485/422)

| | |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Dimensions..... | 100 × 160 mm (3.94 × 6.37 in.), 3U |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|

| | |
|----------------------------------|---|
| I/O connector ² | 68-pin SCSI (68-pin SCSI to eight DB-9 male connector adapter cable included) |
|----------------------------------|---|

¹ The four-port PXI serial boards require cables, included in your kit, to convert the 10-position modular jacks (10P10C) to DB-9 male connectors.

² The eight-port PXI serial boards require a cable, included in your kit, to convert the 68-pin connector to eight DB-9 connectors.

Power requirement (from PXI channel)

| | |
|--------------|---------------------------------|
| PXI-8430/8 | |
| +5 VDC | 1 A typical 1.5 A maximum |
| PXI-8431/8 | |
| +5 VDC | 925 mA typical 1.4 A maximum |

Weight

| | |
|------------------|-------|
| PXI-8430/8 | 135 g |
| PXI-8431/8 | 137 g |

Shock and vibration

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| Operational shock | 30 g peak, half-sin, 11 ms pulse (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-27. Test profile developed in accordance with MIL-PRF-28800F.) |
|-------------------------|--|

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| PXI-8430/8 | 1 Mbps |
| PXI-8431/8 | 3 Mbps |

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

PXI-8430/16 (RS-232)

| | |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Dimensions | 100 × 160 mm (3.94 × 6.37 in.), 3U |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| I/O connector ¹ | 68-pin VHDCI × 2 |
|----------------------------------|------------------|

Power requirement (from PXI channel)

| | |
|--------------|---------------------------------|
| PXI-8430/16 | |
| +5 VDC | 935 mA typical 1.4 A maximum |

| | |
|--------------|-------|
| Weight | 157 g |
|--------------|-------|

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Maximum baud rate | 1 Mbps |
|-------------------------|--------|

Board supports any baud rate below the maximum.

¹ The 16-port PXI serial boards require two cables, included in your kit, to convert the two 68-pin connectors to the 16 (2 × 8) DB-9 male connectors.

PXI-8432/2 (RS-232) and PXI-8433/2 (RS-485/422)

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Dimensions..... | 100 × 160 mm (3.94 × 6.37 in.), 3U |
| I/O connector..... | DB-9 male connector × 2 |
| Operating rated voltage (continuous) | |
| RS-232 | -25 V to +25 V |
| RS-485 | -7 V to + 12 V |
| Isolation voltages | |
| Port-to-port | |
| Continuous | 60 VDC (CAT I) |
| Withstand..... | 2000 V _{rms} , verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test |
| Port-to-host | |
| Continuous | 60 VDC (CAT I) |
| Withstand..... | 2000 V _{rms} , verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test |
| Power requirement (from PXI channel) | |
| PXI-8432/2 | |
| +5 VDC..... | 725 mA typical 1 A maximum |
| PXI-8433/2 | |
| +5 VDC..... | 725 mA typical 1 A maximum |
| Weight | |
| PXI-8432/2..... | 125 g |
| PXI-8433/2..... | 125 g |
| Shock and vibration | |
| Operational shock | 30 g peak, half-sin, 11 ms pulse (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-27. Test profile developed in accordance with MIL-PRF-28800F.) |

Random vibration

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| Operating | 5 to 500 Hz, 0.3 g _{rms} |
| Nonoperating | 5 to 500 Hz, 2.4 g _{rms} (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-64. Nonoperating test profile exceeds the requirements of MIL-PRF-28800F, Class 3.) |

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| PXI-8432/2 | 1 Mbps |
| PXI-8433/2 | 3 Mbps |

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

PXI-8432/4 (RS-232) and PXI-8433/4 (RS-485/422)

| | |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Dimensions | 100 × 160 mm (3.94 × 6.37 in.), 3U |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|

| | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| I/O connector ¹ | 10-position modular jack (10P10C) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|

Operating rated voltage (continuous)

| | |
|--------------|----------------|
| RS-232 | -25 V to +25 V |
| RS-485 | -7 V to + 12 V |

Isolation voltages

Port-to-port

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Continuous | 60 VDC (CAT I) |
| Withstand | 2000 V _{rms} , verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test |

Port-to-host

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Continuous | 60 VDC (CAT I) |
| Withstand | 2000 V _{rms} , verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test |

Power requirement (from PXI channel)

| | |
|--------------|-------------------------------|
| PXI-8432/4 | |
| +5 VDC | 925 mA typical 2 A maximum |

¹ The four-port PXI serial boards require cables, included in your kit, to convert the 10-position modular jacks (10P10C) to DB-9 male connectors.

PXI-8433/4
+5 VDC..... 950 mA typical
2 A maximum

Weight

PXI-8432/4..... 147 g
PXI-8433/4..... 147 g

Maximum baud rate

PXI-8432/4..... 1 Mbps
PXI-8433/4..... 3 Mbps

Boards support any baud rate below the maximum.

Environmental Characteristics (for All PXI Interfaces)

Operating Environment

Ambient temperature..... 0 to 55 °C
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-1 and
IEC-60068-2-2.)

Relative humidity..... 10 to 90%, noncondensing
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-56.)

Altitude (maximum)..... 2,000 m

Pollution Degree 2

Indoor use only.

Storage Environment

Ambient temperature..... -20 to 70 °C
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-1 and
IEC-60068-2-2.)

Relative humidity..... 5 to 95%, noncondensing
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-56.)

Other Specifications

Maximum cable length

| | |
|---------------------------|--|
| RS-485 ¹ | 30 m (limited by EMC/surge) |
| RS-232 | 2,500 pF equivalent (TIA-EIA-232-F 2.1.4) |

Data line ESD protection (human body model)

| | |
|--------------|--------|
| RS-485 | ±15 kV |
| RS-232 | ±15 kV |



Note This equipment is intended for indoor use only.

Safety

This product meets the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 61010-1, EN 61010-1
- UL 61010-1, CSA 61010-1



Note For UL and other safety certifications, refer to the product label or the [Online Product Certification](#) section.

Electromagnetic Compatibility

This product meets the requirements of the following EMC standards for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- EN 61326 (IEC 61326): Class A emissions; Basic immunity
- EN 55011 (CISPR 11): Group 1, Class A emissions
- AS/NZS CISPR 11: Group 1, Class A emissions
- FCC 47 CFR Part 15B: Class A emissions
- ICES-001: Class A emissions



Note For the standards applied to assess the EMC of this product, refer to the [Online Product Certification](#) section.



Note For EMC compliance, operate this device with shielded cabling.

¹ RS-485 is capable of 1.2 km (4,000 ft) without surge limitation.

CE Compliance

This product meets the essential requirements of applicable European Directives as follows:

- 2006/95/EC; Low-Voltage Directive (safety)
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USB Serial Hardware

This section describes the characteristics of the USB serial hardware and the recommended operating conditions.

USB-232 (RS-232) and USB-485 (RS-485/422)

Dimensions3.81 × 3.56 × 1.52 cm
(1.5 × 1.4 × 0.6 in.)

Case materialPVC

Weight

USB-232121 g (0.27 lb)

USB-485118 g (0.26 lb)

I/O connectorDB-9 male connector

USB connectorCaptive cable with USB series A plug

Power requirement (from USB channel)

USB-485

+5 VDC175 mA typical
500 mA maximum

USB-232

+5 VDC80 mA typical
100 mA maximum

Maximum baud rate

USB-232230.4 kbps

USB-485460.8 kbps

Boards support standard baud rates below the maximum.

USB-232/2, USB-232/4 (USB-232), USB-485/2, and USB-485/4 (RS-485/422)

Dimensions21.08 × 12.45 × 3.56 cm
(8.3 × 4.9 × 1.4 in.)

Case materialHard plastic with metal baseplate

Weight375 g (0.83 lb)

I/O connectorDB-9 male connector

USB connectorUSB series B

Power requirement (from USB channel)

| | |
|-------------|----------------------------------|
| USB-485/2 | |
| +5 VDC..... | 300 mA typical 500 mA maximum |
| USB-232/2 | |
| +5 VDC..... | 200 mA typical 500 mA maximum |
| USB-232/4 | |
| +5 VDC..... | 300 mA typical 500 mA maximum |

Power requirement (from external supply)

| | |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| USB-485/4 (9 V–30 V) | |
| +12 VDC (typical) | 225 mA typical 500 mA maximum |

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| USB-232/2 and USB-232/4 | 230.4 kbps |
| USB-485/2 and USB-485/4 | 460.8 kbps |

Boards support standard baud rates below the maximum.

Environmental Characteristics (for All USB Interfaces)

Operating Environment

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Ambient temperature..... | 0 to 70 °C (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-1 and IEC-60068-2-2.) |
| Relative humidity | 10 to 90%, noncondensing (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-56.) |
| Altitude (maximum)..... | 2,000 m |
| Pollution Degree | 2 |

Indoor use only.

Storage Environment

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| Ambient temperature | |
| One port | –40 to 80 °C (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-1 and IEC-60068-2-2.) |

Two and four port.....-40 to 85 °C
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-1 and
IEC-60068-2-2.)

Relative humidity5 to 95%, noncondensing
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-56.)

Other Specifications

Maximum cable length

RS-485¹30 m (limited by EMC/surge)
RS-2322,500 pF equivalent
(TIA-EIA-232-F 2.1.4)

Data line ESD protection (human body model)

RS-485±15 kV
RS-232±15 kV



Note This equipment is intended for indoor use only.

Safety

This product meets the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 61010-1, EN 61010-1
- UL 61010-1, CSA 61010-1



Note For UL and other safety certifications, refer to the product label or the [Online Product Certification](#) section.

Electromagnetic Compatibility

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- EN 55011 (CISPR 11): Group 1, Class A emissions
- AS/NZS CISPR 11: Group 1, Class A emissions
- FCC 47 CFR Part 15B: Class A emissions
- ICES-001: Class A emissions

¹ RS-485 is capable of 1.2 km (4,000 ft) without surge limitation.



Note For the standards applied to assess the EMC of this product, refer to the *Online Product Certification* section.



Note For EMC compliance, operate this device with shielded cabling.

CE Compliance

This product meets the essential requirements of applicable European Directives as follows:

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ENET Serial Hardware

This section describes the characteristics of the ENET serial hardware, along with the recommended operating conditions.

Electrical Characteristics

Power requirement (from external supply)

External supply (9 V–30 V)

+12 VDC (typical).....500 mA typical
750 mA maximum

Environmental Characteristics

Operating Environment

Ambient temperature0 to 70 °C
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-1 and
IEC-60068-2-2.)

Relative humidity10 to 90%, noncondensing
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-56.)

Altitude (maximum)2,000 m

Storage Environment

Ambient temperature–40 to 85 °C
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-1 and
IEC-60068-2-2.)

Relative humidity5 to 95%, noncondensing
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-56.)

Physical Characteristics

Overall case size (dimensions)21.0 × 12.4 × 3.7 cm
(8.25 × 4.89 × 1.44 in.)

Case materialHard plastic with metal baseplate

Weight394 g (0.87 lb)

Serial connectors.....DB-9 male connector

Network Specifications

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| Ethernet connector | RJ-45 |
| Connection type | IEEE 802.3 compliant 100Base-TX (100 Mbits/s) 10Base-T (10 Mbits/s) |
| Duplex mode | Half duplex |

Other Specifications (ENET-232/2, ENET-232/4 (RS-232), ENET-485/2, and ENET-485/4 (RS-485/422))

| | |
|---|--|
| Maximum cable length | |
| RS-485 ¹ | 30 m (limited by EMC/surge) |
| RS-232 | 2,500 pF equivalent (TIA-EIA-232-F 2.1.4) |
| Data line ESD protection (human body model) | |
| RS-485 | ±15 kV |
| RS-232 | ±15 kV |
| Maximum baud rate | |
| ENET-232/2 and ENET-232/4 | 230.4 kbps |
| ENET-485/2 and ENET-485/4 | 460.8 kbps |
| Boards support standard baud rates below the maximum. | |



Note This equipment is intended for indoor use only.

Safety

This product meets the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 60950-1, EN 60950-1
- UL 60950-1, CSA 60950-1



Note For UL and other safety certifications, refer to the product label or the [Online Product Certification](#) section.

¹ RS-485 is capable of 1.2 km (4,000 ft) without surge limitation.

Electromagnetic Compatibility

This product meets the requirements of the following EMC standards for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

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- AS/NZS CISPR 11: Group 1, Class A emissions
- FCC 47 CFR Part 15B: Class A emissions
- ICES-001: Class A emissions



Note For the standards applied to assess the EMC of this product, refer to the *Online Product Certification* section.



Note For EMC compliance, operate this device with shielded cabling.

CE Compliance

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ExpressCard Serial Hardware

This section describes the characteristics of the ExpressCard serial hardware, along with the recommended operating conditions.

Hardware Specifications (NI ExpressCard-8420/2 (RS-232) and NI ExpressCard-8421/2 (RS-485/422))

| | |
|--|--|
| Dimensions..... | 34 × 75 × 5 mm (1.34 × 2.95 × 0.2 in.) |
| Weight | |
| NI ExpressCard-8420/2 | 16 g (0.5 oz) |
| NI ExpressCard-8421/2 | 17 g (0.6 oz) |
| Connectors | |
| I/O connector | 26-position latching connector with 20 cm breakout cable to two DB-9 male connectors |
| ExpressCard | ExpressCard/34 standard connector interface |
| Power requirements (from ExpressCard USB interface) | |
| Voltage..... | +3.3 VDC ± 10% |
| NI ExpressCard-8420/2 | |
| +3.3 VDC..... | 100 mA typical 250 mA maximum |
| NI ExpressCard-8421/2 | |
| +3.3 VDC..... | 160 mA typical 260 mA maximum |

Shock and Vibration

| | |
|---|---|
| Nonoperating shock..... | 50 g, 11 ms (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-27.) |
| Nonoperating vibration, sinusoidal..... | 15 g, 100 to 2000 Hz (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-6.) |
| Nonoperating drop test | 2 drops in 3 mutually exclusive axes from 75 cm onto no-cushioning vinyl tile surface |

Environmental Characteristics

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Altitude (maximum) | 2,000 m (at 25 °C ambient temperature) |
| Pollution Degree | 2 |
| Pollution Degree | 2 |
| Indoor use only. | |

Operating Environment

| | |
|---------------------------|--|
| Ambient temperature | 0 to 65 °C (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-1 and IEC-60068-2-2.) |
| Relative humidity | 5 to 95%, noncondensing (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-56.) |



Hot Surface Be careful when removing ExpressCards. Recently used ExpressCards may exceed safe handling temperatures.

Storage Environment

| | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Ambient temperature | -20 to 65 °C (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-1 and IEC-60068-2-2.) |
| Nonoperating thermal shock..... | -20 to 65 °C, 5 shocks |

Other Specifications

Maximum cable length

| | |
|---------------------------|--|
| RS-485 ¹ | 30 m (limited by EMC/surge) |
| RS-232 | 2,500 pF equivalent (TIA-EIA-232-F 2.1.4) |

Data line ESD protection (human body model)

| | |
|--------------|--------|
| RS-485 | ±15 kV |
| RS-232 | ±15 kV |

Maximum baud rate

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| NI ExpressCard-8420/2 | 230.4 kbps |
| NI ExpressCard-8421/2 | 460.8 kbps |

Boards support standard baud rates below the maximum.



Note This equipment is intended for indoor use only.

Safety

This product meets the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 61010-1, EN 61010-1
- UL 61010-1, CSA 61010-1



Note For UL and other safety certifications, refer to the product label or the [Online Product Certification](#) section.

Electromagnetic Compatibility

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- AS/NZS CISPR 11: Group 1, Class A emissions
- FCC 47 CFR Part 15B: Class A emissions
- ICES-001: Class A emissions



Note For the standards applied to assess the EMC of this product, refer to the [Online Product Certification](#) section.



Note For EMC compliance, operate this device with shielded cabling.

¹ RS-485 is capable of 1.2 km (4,000 ft) without surge limitation.

CE Compliance

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PCMCIA Serial Hardware

This section describes the characteristics of the PCMCIA serial hardware, along with the recommended operating conditions.

Hardware Specifications (PCMCIA-232, PCMCIA-232/2, PCMCIA-232/4 (RS-232), PCMCIA-485, and PCMCIA-485/2 (RS-485/422))

Dimensions..... Type II PC card
I/O connector..... Adapter cable with DB-9 male Dsub connector and converter for PC card

Power requirement
(from PCMCIA expansion slot)

PCMCIA-232

+5 VDC..... 40 mA typical
150 mA maximum

PCMCIA-485

+5 VDC..... 110 mA typical
225 mA maximum

PCMCIA-232/2

+5 VDC..... 60 mA typical
250 mA maximum

PCMCIA-485/2

+5 VDC..... 150 mA typical
400 mA maximum

PCMCIA-232/4

+5 VDC..... 60 mA typical
200 mA maximum

Environmental Characteristics

Operating Environment

Ambient temperature..... 0 to 55 °C
(Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-1 and IEC-60068-2-2.)

Relative humidity 10 to 90%, noncondensing
(Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-56.)

Altitude (maximum)..... 2,000 m

Storage Environment

Ambient temperature–40 to 120 °C
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-1 and
IEC-60068-2-2.)

Relative humidity5 to 95%, noncondensing
(Tested in accordance with
IEC-60068-2-56.)

Other Specifications

Maximum cable length

RS-485¹30 m (limited by EMC/surge)

RS-2322,500 pF equivalent
(TIA-EIA-232-F 2.1.4)

Data line ESD protection (human body model)

RS-485±15 kV

RS-232±15 kV

Maximum baud rate

PCMCIA-232 and
PCMCIA-232/2230.4 kbps

PCMCIA-232/4115.2 kbps

PCMCIA-485 and
PCMCIA-485/2921.6 kbps

Boards support standard baud rates below the maximum.



Note This equipment is intended for indoor use only.

Safety

This product meets the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 60950-1, EN 60950-1
- UL 60950-1, CSA 60950-1



Note For UL and other safety certifications, refer to the product label or the [Online Product Certification](#) section.

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Electromagnetic Compatibility

This product meets the requirements of the following EMC standards for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

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- AS/NZS CISPR 11: Group 1, Class A emissions
- FCC 47 CFR Part 15B: Class A emissions
- ICES-001: Class A emissions



Note For the standards applied to assess the EMC of this product, refer to the *Online Product Certification* section.



Note For EMC compliance, operate this device with shielded cabling.

CE Compliance

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