SPECIFICATIONS AND FEATURES GUIDE

NI Serial Hardware

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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NI-Serial Supported Interfaces

The PCI interfaces listed in Table 1 are universal cards which accept either 3.3 or 5 volts.

Table 1. PCI Interfaces

PCI Interfaces	Standard	# Ports	Isolated	Max Baud (kbaud)[*]	Connector Type[†]	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[‡]	DB-9 male	128
PCI-8431/4	RS-485/ RS-422	4	No	3000.0[‡]	10P10C	128
PCI-8431/8	RS-485/ RS-422	8	No	3000.0[‡]	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[‡]	DB-9 male	128
PCI-8433/4	RS-485/ RS-422	4	Yes	3000.0[‡]	10P10C	128

[*] All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PCI/NI PCIe/PXI-843x family of hardware supports any baud rate from 2 baud up to 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.

[†] Serial connector cables end in DB-9 male serial connectors.

[‡] The two-wire auto control mode for RS-485 transceiver control has a maximum baud rate of 2000 kbaud.

Table 2. PCI Express Interfaces

PCI Express Interfaces	Standard	# Ports	Isolated	Max Baud (kbaud)[*]	Connector Type[†]	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[‡]	68-pin VHDCI	128
NI PCIe-8431/16	RS-485/ RS-422	16	No	3000.0[‡]	68-pin VHDCI	128

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[†] Serial connector cables end in DB-9 male serial connectors.

[‡] The two-wire auto control mode for RS-485 transceiver control has a maximum baud rate of 2000 kbaud.

Table 3. PXI Interfaces

PXI Interfaces	Standard	# Ports	Isolated	Max Baud (kbaud)[*]	Connector Type[†]	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[‡]	DB-9 male	128
PXI-8431/4	RS-485/ RS-422	4	No	3000.0[‡]	10P10C	128
PXI-8431/8	RS-485/ RS-422	8	No	3000.0[‡]	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

Table 3. PXI Interfaces (Continued)

PXI Interfaces	Standard	# Ports	Isolated	Max Baud (kbaud)[*]	Connector Type[†]	FIFO Size (Bytes)
PXI-8433/2	RS-485/ RS-422	2	Yes	3000.0[‡]	DB-9 male	128
PXI-8433/4	RS-485/ RS-422	4	Yes	3000.0[‡]	10P10C	128

[*] All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PCI/NI PCIe/PXI-843*x* family of hardware supports any baud rate from 2 baud up to 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.

[†] Serial connector cables end in DB-9 male serial connectors.

[‡] The two-wire auto control mode for RS-485 transceiver control has a maximum baud rate of 2000 kbaud.

Table 4. PXI Express Interfaces

PXI Express Interfaces	Standard	# Ports	Isolated	Max Baud (kbaud)[*]	Connector Type[†]	FIFO Size (Bytes)
NI PXIe-8430/8	RS-232	8	No	1000.0	68-pin VHDCI	128
NI PXIe-8430/16	RS-232	16	No	1000.0	68-pin VHDCI	128
NI PXIe-8431/8	RS-485/ RS-422	8	No	3000.0[‡, **]	68-pin VHDCI	128
NI PXIe-8431/16	RS-485/ RS-422	16	No	3000.0[‡, **]	68-pin VHDCI	128

[*] All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PXI/NI PXIe-843*x* family of hardware supports any baud rate from 2 baud up to 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.

[†] Serial connector cables end in DB-9 male serial connectors.

[‡] The two-wire auto control mode for RS-485 transceiver control has a maximum baud rate of 2000 kbaud.

[**] For possible use with higher baud rates, refer to ni.com/kb and search for KnowledgeBase **58KEI82F**.

Table 5. USB Interfaces

USB Interfaces	Standard	# Ports	Isolated	Max Baud (kbaud)*	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

*All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PCI/NI PCIe/PXI-843*x* family of hardware supports any baud rate from 2 baud up to 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. ExpressCard Interfaces

ExpressCard Interfaces	Standard	# Ports	Isolated	Max Baud (kbaud)*	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

*All NI serial hardware supports standard baud rates. In addition, the PCI/NI PCIe/PXI-843*x* family of hardware supports any baud rate from 2 baud up to 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.

Serial Hardware Features

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

Table 7. Serial Hardware Features

Hardware	Adjustable FIFO Settings	Get Interface Type	RS-485 Transceiver Control	RS-485 Socketed Bias Resistors	RS-485 Program-matically 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/ NIPXIe-8430, PCI/PXI-8432	✓	✓				✓		✓	✓	✓
PCI/NI PCIe/PXI/ NI PXIe-8431 eight port and NI PXIe/ 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		✓	✓		✓			✓		✓

Table 7. Serial Hardware Features (Continued)

Hardware	Adjustable FIFO Settings	Get Interface Type	RS-485 Transceiver Control	RS-485 Socketed Bias Resistors	RS-485 Program-matically Controlled Bias Resistors	RS-232 Transceiver State	RS-232 DTE/DCE Transceiver Control	Hardware Implemented Flow Control		
								RTS/ CTS	DTR/ DSR	Xon/ Xoff
USB-485 two and four port		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓
NI ExpressCard -8420		✓				✓		✓	✓	✓
NI ExpressCard -8421		✓	✓		✓			✓		✓

USB LED Descriptions

The USB serial two and four-port hardware uses bicolor LEDs to indicate device and port status. Table 8 describes these LEDs; Figure 1 shows their location.

Table 8. USB LEDs

LED	Description
Ready	**Dim Red**—Powered, but not connected to USB (self-powered USB only)
	Red—Powered and connected to USB, but not fully configured
	Yellow—Device is ready (normal operation)
	Blinking Red or Red-Yellow—Device error. Contact NI.
Port *x*	**Solid Red**—Port is open, but no valid signals detected (USB-232 only)
	Solid Green—Port is open
	Blinking Yellow—Port is transmitting
	Blinking Green—Port is receiving
	Alternated Blinking Green/Yellow—Port is transmitting and receiving
	Blinking Red—Port error (framing error, FIFO overrun, or parity error)

Figure 1. USB-Serial Hardware LEDs
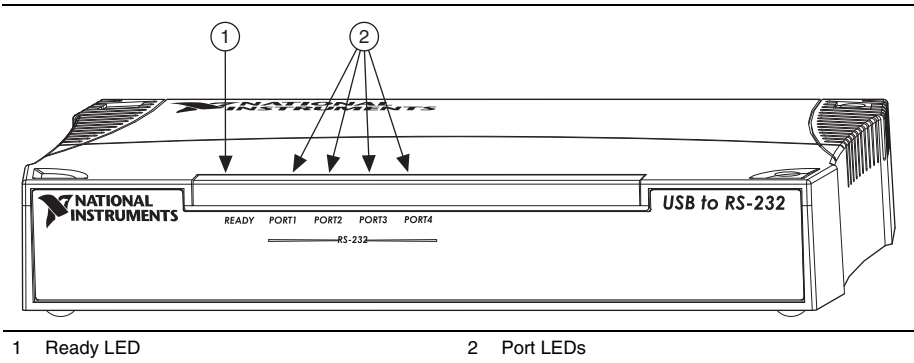
1	Ready LED	2	Port LEDs

Connectors and Pinouts

DB-9 Male

Figure 2. DB-9 Connector Pin Locations
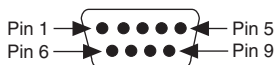
Table 9. DB-9 Male Pin Descriptions

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

* 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.

10-Position Modular Jack (10P10C)

Figure 3. 10-Position Modular Jack Pin Locations
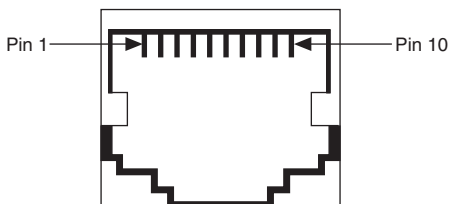
Table 10. 10-Position Modular Jack Pin Descriptions

Pin	232	422/485
1	No Connect	No Connect
2	RI*	TXD-
3	CTS	TXD+
4	RTS	RTS- (HSO-)
5	DSR*	CTS- (HSI-)

Table 10. 10-Position Modular Jack Pin Descriptions (Continued)

Pin	232	422/485
6	GND	RXD-
7	DTR[*]	RXD+
8	TXD	RTS+ (HSO+)
9	RXD	CTS+ (HSI+)
10	DCD[*]	GND
[*] 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
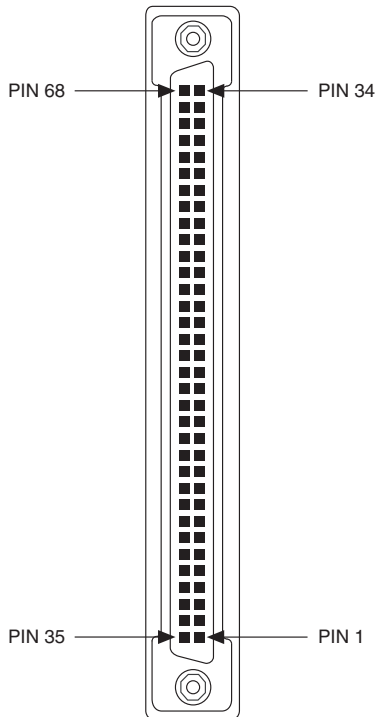
Figure 5. 68-Pin VHDCI Connector Pin Locations

PIN 35

PIN 1

PIN 68

PIN 34
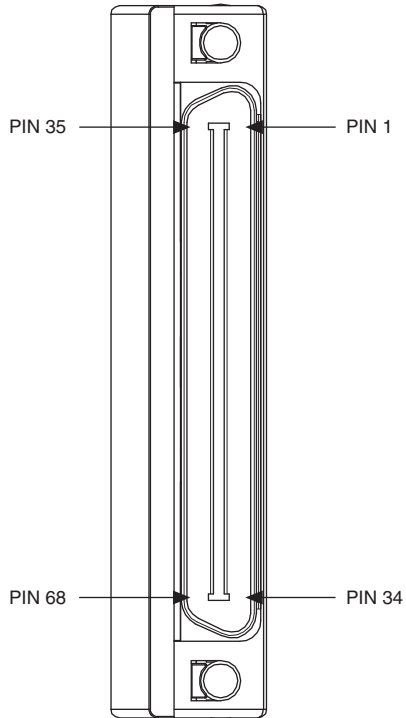
Table 11. 68-Pin Connector Pin Descriptions

| 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 12. 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
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

Table 12. Serial Cables and Accessories (Continued)

Part Number	Description
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 13. 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	2.5 nF equivalent	4,000 ft	4,000 ft
Maximum CMV	±25 V	±7 V	+12 to -7 V
Driver output[*]	5 to 25 V	2 to 6 V	1.5 to 6 V
Driver load	<3 kΩ	100 Ω	60 Ω
[*] Actual driver output varies depending on cable length and load.			

RS-232 Loopback

Figure 6. RS-232 Loopback

Pin 1 — Pin 5
Pin 6 — Pin 9
TX/RX

Pin 1 — Pin 5
Pin 6 — Pin 9
All
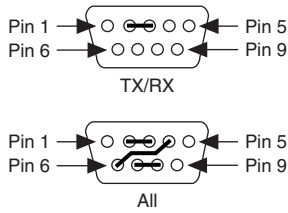
RS-232 Signals

Figure 7. RS-232 Signals

25 V
SPACE, '0'
3 V
UNKNOWN
3 V
MARK, '1'
25 V
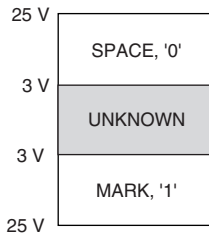
RS-485/422 Loopback

Figure 8. RS-485/422 Loopback

Pin 1 — Pin 5
Pin 6 — Pin 9
TX/RX

Pin 1 — Pin 5
Pin 6 — Pin 9
All
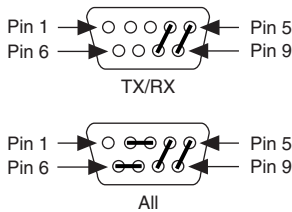
RS-485/422 Signals

Figure 9. RS-485/422 Signals

If '' < '+' then MARK, '1'
If '' > '+' then SPACE, '0'
RS-422 Voltage: 7 V
RS-485 Voltage: 7 V to +12 V

RS-485 Topologies

Figure 10. 2-Wire Multidrop Network Using Terminating Resistors
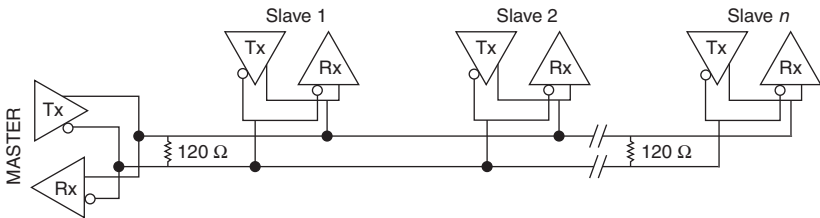
Figure 11. 4-Wire Full-Duplex Multidrop Network Using Terminating Resistors
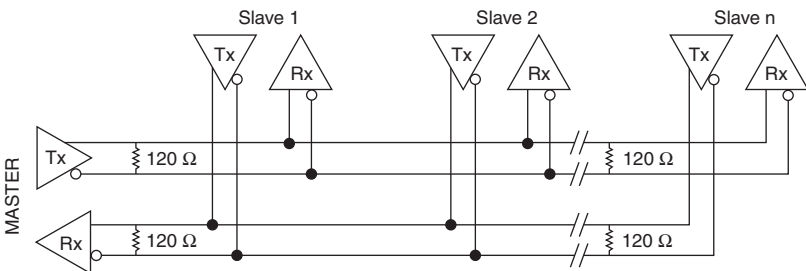
The driver directly supports 4-wire full-duplex operation on peer-to-peer RS-485 networks. Multidrop RS-485 networks require additional software development.

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

RS-485 Transceiver Control

Table 14. RS-485 Tranceiver Control

		2-Wire		
Enable	**4-Wire**	**DTR/Echo**	**DTR/No Echo**	**Auto**
TX	ON	DTR	DTR	TX
RX	ON	ON	DTR	TX

The available modes might vary with the controller or interface used. For further information refer to ni.com/kb and search for KnowledgeBase **67KEP64G**.

UART Data Frame Example

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

Figure 12. UART Data Frame Example

Voltages are for illustration only. Actual voltage levels may vary.
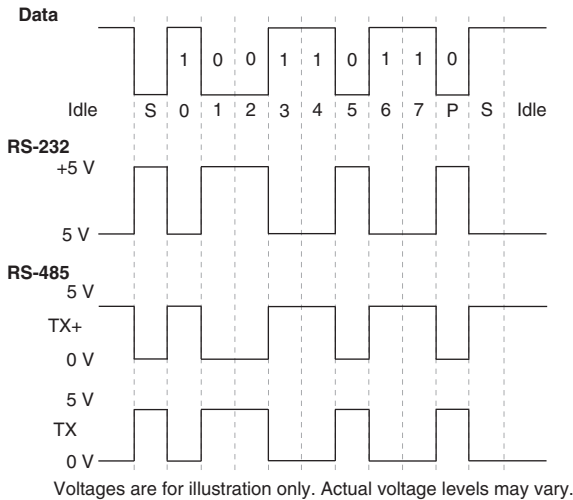
Hardware Specifications

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:

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

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 .... 250 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

MTBF .... 448,008 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 mode .... 50 μW max

Thermal dissipation (at 70 °C)

    Active mode .... 1.5 W max

    Sleep mode .... 0.5 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 Voltage[1]

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.

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

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

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:

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

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 Voltage[1]

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.

⚠ **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

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

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[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 from 2 baud up to 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 from 2 baud up to 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

    PCI-8431/8

        +5 VDC .... 1.3 A typical

        1.9 A maximum

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[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.

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 from 2 baud up to 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

Boards support any baud rate from 2 baud up to 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

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

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[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.

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 from 2 baud up to 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

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

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[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.

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 from 2 baud up to 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 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 (for All PCI Interfaces)

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.

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

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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- 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 ℂℰ

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- 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-843*x* Series Hardware

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

Dimensions ....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

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[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.

Weight

    NI PCIe-8430/8... 88 g

    NI PCIe-8431/8... 90 g

Maximum baud rate

    NI PCIe-8430/8... 1 Mbps

    NI PCIe-8431/8... 3 Mbps

Boards support any baud rate from 2 baud up to the maximum.

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

Dimensions .... 11.12 × 17.53 cm (4.38 × 6.9 in.)

I/O connectors

    NI PCIe-8430/16

        RS-232[1]... 68-pin VHDCI × 2

        PCI Express x1

    NI PCIe-8431/16

        RS-485[1]... 68-pin VHDCI × 2

        PCI Express x1

Power requirement (from PCI Express channel)

    NI PCIe-8430/16

        +3.3 VDC... 400 mA typical, 1.5 A maximum

        +12 VDC.. 210 mA typical
                                        250 mA maximum

    NI PCIe-8431/16

        +3.3 VDC[2] .... 1.4 A typical, 3 A maximum

        +12 VDC.. 210 mA typical
                                          250 mA maximum

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 from 2 baud up to the maximum.

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[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.

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

Dimensions ....11.12 × 16.67 cm (4.38 × 6.6 in.)

I/O connectors

    NI PCIe-8432/2...DB-9 male connector

    NI PCIe-8433/2...DB-9 male connector

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 PCI Express channel)

    NI PCIe-8432/2

        +12 VDC...55 mA typical
160 mA maximum

        +3.3 VDC...610 mA typical
650 mA maximum

    NI PCIe-8433/2

        +12 VDC...140 mA typical
240 mA maximum

        +3.3 VDC...610 mA typical
660 mA maximum

Weight

    NI PCIe-8432/2...90.7 g

    NI PCIe-8433/2...90.7 g

Maximum serial transfer rate

    RS-232 ....1 Mbps

    RS-485 ....3 Mbps

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 (for All PCI Express Interfaces)

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

Baud rate accuracy

    RS-232 .... Within 0.015% for standard baud rate
Within 0.5% for nonstandard baud rate

    RS-485 .... Within 0.015% for standard baud rate
Within 0.5% for nonstandard baud rate below 1 Mbps
Within 1.3% for nonstandard baud rate between 1 Mbps and 3 Mbps

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

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

- 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:

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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 CE

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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 from 2 baud up to 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 from 2 baud up to 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)

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

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[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.

Shock and vibration

    Operational shock .... 30 g peak, half-sine, 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 from 2 baud up to 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

Boards support any baud rate from 2 baud up to the maximum.

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

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[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.

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-sine, 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 from 2 baud up to 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

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Isolation voltages

    Port-to-port

        Continuous .... 60 VDC (CAT I)

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                                         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

    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 from 2 baud up to 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 (for All PXI Interfaces)

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

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Safety

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

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

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PXI Express Serial Hardware

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

NI PXIe-843*x* Serial Hardware

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

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

I/O connector[1] .... 68-pin VHDCI

Power requirement (from PXI Express channel)

NI PXIe-8430/8

+12 VDC.. 220 mA typical

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

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                                                250 mA maximum
    +3.3 VDC..........................................200 mA typical
                                                750 mA maximum
NI PXIe-8431/8
    +12 VDC..........................................220 mA typical
                                                240 mA maximum
    +3.3 VDC[1] ......................................0.7 A typical
                                                1.5 A maximum
```

Weight
```
NI PXIe-8430/8........................................143 g
NI PXIe-8431/8........................................143 g
```

Maximum baud rate
```
NI PXIe-8430/8........................................1 Mbps
NI PXIe-8431/8........................................3 Mbps[2]
```

Boards support any baud rate from 2 baud up to the maximum.

Baud rate accuracy
```
NI PXIe-8430/8........................................Within 0.015% for standard baud rate
                                                Within 0.5% for nonstandard baud rate
NI PXIe-8431/8........................................Within 0.015% for standard baud rate
                                                Within 0.5% for nonstandard baud rate below
                                                1 Mbps
                                                Within 1.3% for nonstandard baud rate between
                                                1 Mbps and 3 Mbps
```

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

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

I/O connector[3]..................................................68-pin VHDCI × 2
```

Power requirement (from PXI Express channel)
```
NI PXIe-8430/16
    +12 VDC..........................................250 mA typical
                                                270 mA maximum
    +3.3 VDC..........................................400 mA typical
                                                1.5 A maximum
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[1] These values are based on the assumption that all 16 ports (for the NI PXIe-8431/16) or 8 ports (for the NI PXIe-8431/8) are using a 620 Ω bias resistor and NI-offered terminators installed on both ends of the cable.

[2] For possible use with higher baud rates, refer to ni.com/kb and search for KnowledgeBase's **KB58KEI82F**.

[3] The 16-port PXI 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.

NI PXIe-8431/16

    +12 VDC .... 250 mA typical
                                         280 mA maximum

    +3.3 VDC[1] .... 1.4 A typical
                                          3 A maximum

Weight

    NI PXIe-8430/16 .... 152 g

    NI PXIe-8431/16 .... 155 g

Maximum baud rate

    NI PXIe-8430/16 .... 1 Mbps

    NI PXIe-8431/16 .... 3 Mbps[2]

Boards support any baud rate from 2 baud up to the maximum.

Baud rate accuracy

    NI PXIe-8430/16 .... Within 0.015% for standard baud rate
                                           Within 0.5% for nonstandard baud rate

    NI PXIe-8431/16 .... Within 0.015% for standard baud rate
                                           Within 0.5% for nonstandard baud rate below 1 M
                                           Within 1.3% for nonstandard baud rate between 1 M and 3 M

Environmental Characteristics (for All PXI Express Interfaces)

Operating Environment

Ambient temperature .... 0 to 55 °C
                                           (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-1 and IEC-60068-2-2. Meets MIL-PRF-28800F Class 3 low temperature limit and MIL-PRF-28800F Class 2 high temperature limit.)

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.

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Storage Environment

Ambient temperature .... -40 to 71 °C
(Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-1 and IEC-60068-2-2. Meets MIL-PRF-28800F Class 3 limits.)

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

Other Specifications (for All PXI Express Interfaces)

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

Shock and vibration

Operational shock .... 30 g peak, half-sine, 11 ms pulse
(Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-27. Meets MIL-PRF-28800F Class 2 limits.)

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.)

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:

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

- 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 $C \epsilon$

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

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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)

Dimensions	3.81 × 3.56 × 1.52 cm
	(1.5 × 1.4 × 0.6 in.)
Case material	PVC

Weight
USB-232	121 g (0.27 lb)
USB-485	118 g (0.26 lb)

I/O connector	DB-9 male connector
USB connector	Captive cable with USB series A plug

Power requirement (from USB channel)

USB-485
+5 VDC	175 mA typical
	500 mA maximum

USB-232
+5 VDC	80 mA typical
	100 mA maximum

Maximum baud rate
USB-232	230.4 kbps
USB-485	460.8 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)

Dimensions	21.08 × 12.45 × 3.56 cm
	(8.3 × 4.9 × 1.4 in.)
Case material	Hard plastic with metal baseplate
Weight	375 g (0.83 lb)
I/O connector	DB-9 male connector
USB connector	USB 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 humidity .... 5 to 95%, noncondensing
                                                       (Tested in accordance with IEC-60068-2-56.)

Other Specifications (for All USB Interfaces)

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

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Electromagnetic Compatibility

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- 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.

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ExpressCard Serial Hardware

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

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

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

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

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

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