High-Speed Digitizers – Optimized for Automated Test

NI 5154, NI 5153, NI 5152 NEW!

- 2 GS/s maximum real-time sample rate
- 1 GHz, 500 MHz, and 300 MHz bandwidths
- 8-bit resolution
- 8, 64, or 256 MB memory per channel
- Edge, window, hysteresis, digital, immediate, and software triggering
- PXI and PCI versions

Calibration

- Gain, offset, triggering, and timing self-calibration
- 2-year external calibration interval

Operating Systems

- Windows Vista/XP/2000
- LabVIEW Real-Time

Recommended Software

- LabVIEW
- LabWindows[™]/CVI
- Measurement Studio for Visual StudioLabVIEW SignalExpress

Driver Software (included)

- NI-SCOPE driver
- LabVIEW Express VIs
- NI-SCOPE Soft Front Panel



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NI 515x high-speed digitizers/PC-based oscilloscopes provide the industry's first gigahertz solutions optimized for automated test. A digitizer optimized for automated test leverages a highthroughput bus to lower test times, provides picosecond-level synchronization between modules, and integrates with the entire suite of NI hardware – including arbitrary waveform generators, high-speed digital I/O, and other digitizers – so you can build and customize a complete mixed-signal

or high-channel-count test system.

Dual 1 GS/s, 8-Bit Input Channels

- 2 GS/s real-time sampling on 1 channel
- 1 GS/s real-time sampling on 2 channels, simultaneously sampled
- 1 GHz (NI 5154), 500 MHz (NI 5153), or 300 MHz (NI 5152) input bandwidth with noise filters
- 20 GS/s equivalent-time sampling (ETS) for repetitive signals
- 2-year calibration interval and 0 to +55 °C operating temperature

Deep Onboard Memory

- Take advantage of 8, 64, or 256 MB of memory per channel
- Capture more than 1 million triggered waveforms in multiple record mode with trigger rearm time as fast as 1 µs
- · Stream data continuously from onboard memory to host memory or disk

Triggering, Clocking, and Synchronization

- Edge, window, hysteresis, and digital triggering with 5 ps timestamping
- Pretrigger and posttrigger acquisition in single- and multiple-record mode
- Internal 1 GHz clock or external clock from 350 MHz to 1 GHz
- Phase lock to PXI 10 MHz reference or external reference from 1 to 20 MHz

Software

- IVI-compliant NI-SCOPE driver for NI LabVIEW, LabWindows/CVI, Microsoft C++, and Visual Basic
- NI-SCOPE Soft Front Panel for interactive control
- More than 50 built-in measurements with NI-SCOPE

Ordering Information

NI PXI-5154	780319-0M ¹
NI PCI-5154	
NI PXI-5153	
NI PCI-5153	
NI PXI-5152	779772-0M ¹
NI PCI-5152	779945-0M ¹
¹ M (memory per channel): 1 (8 MB), 2 (64 MB), 3 (256 MB)	
Includes NI-SCOPE driver and NI-SCOPE Soft Front Panel	

BUY NOW!

For complete product specifications, pricing, and accessory information, call 800 813 3693 (U.S. only) or go to **ni.com/digitizers/highspeed**.



NI High-Speed Digitizers: Optimized for Automated Test

Prior to these products, high-bandwidth digitizers and oscilloscopes have incorporated features and functionality best suited for benchtop use. An unaddressed area in this high-bandwidth space has been the automated test use model, where measurement throughput and test system footprint can dramatically affect overall cost of test.

NI high-speed digitizers are the first high-bandwidth digitizers on the market that share three characteristics making them uniquely optimized for automated test: high data throughput, tight synchronization between channels, and ease of integration with other instrumentation.

High Data Throughput

Bus bandwidth and latency, two common considerations for an automated test system, dictate the overall speed of your measurement system. Latency describes the amount of time it takes for an instrument to respond to a remote command, like a measurement query. Bus bandwidth refers primarily to the data throughput capacity of the data bus that connects the measurement instrument with the host PC or controller.

The PXI platform – upon which NI high-speed digitizers are built – provides high speed due to the high-bandwidth and low-latency PCI and PCI Express buses. Both PXI and PXI Express data throughput rates are significantly faster than that of GPIB, USB, or LAN – other popular buses for automating test instrumentation. This translates to lower test times.



Figure 1. The PXI platform provides the best combination of high-bandwidth and low-latency measurement throughput.

Tight Synchronization between Channels

The PXI backplane offers a built-in common reference clock for synchronization of multiple digitizers in a measurement or control system. Each slot has a 10 MHz TTL clock, transmitted on equal-length traces, providing picosecond-level synchronization between digitizer modules for high-channel-count systems. For example, it is possible to have 34 phase-synchronous 1 GS/s channels in a single PXI chassis, and even scale to higher channel counts.



Figure 2. The PXI platform delivers picosecond-level synchronization between instrument modules.

Ease of Integration with Other Instrumentation

Test systems typically contain many instrument types, including signal sources, measurement devices, and switches. The PXI platform has unparalleled breadth, with modules for analog and digital I/O, high-speed instrumentation, vision, motion, and numerous bus interfaces. More than 1,500 PXI modules are available from the more than 70 members of the PXI Systems Alliance (PXISA). So you can not only build a comprehensive test system in a single chassis but also synchronize modules in that chassis to picosecond-level accuracy when using NI modular instrumentation.



Figure 3. The PXI platform supports more than 1,500 instrument modules.

Achieve Flexible Performance Using NI Software-Defined Instrumentation

NI high-speed digitizers offer several advantages over traditional stand-alone oscilloscopes by delivering an open architecture and flexible software. With an NI digitizer, you can not only perform standard oscilloscope measurements but also easily build other instruments such as spectrum analyzers, transient recorders, and ultrasonic receivers. And NI offers a comprehensive library in LabVIEW of prebuilt functions and example programs geared at getting you up and running quickly.

Open Architecture: NI-SCOPE Driver and the Application Programming Interface (API)

Using the full power of a PC-based measurement device requires the ability to programmatically define and control its behavior. You can programmatically control all NI digitizers using the NI-SCOPE instrument driver, which provides:

- High-level functions for getting started quickly as well as low-level control for accessing all the digitizer features
- More than 50 prewritten example programs that illustrate how to access the full functionality of any NI digitizer
- Programming examples available for LabVIEW, C++, and Visual Basic

Flexible Software: Define Your Instrument

In an automated test environment, there are times when the ability to quickly troubleshoot an issue is crucial. For those occasions, the NI-SCOPE driver offers the measurement features and responsiveness of a traditional benchtop oscilloscope through the NI-SCOPE Soft Front Panel user interface. Take advantage of the more than 50 prebuilt measurement and analysis functions included with the software.



Figure 4. The NI-SCOPE Soft Front Panel provides measurement features and responsiveness comparable to traditional benchtop oscilloscopes.

For rapid initiation of an automated test sequence, use preconfigured Express VIs to quickly set up your digitizer to immediately acquire data. LabVIEW SignalExpress is an interactive environment you can use to acquire, analyze, and log your data with no programming required.



Figure 5. With LabVIEW SignalExpress, you can quickly set up your digitizer to immediately acquire data.

While a quick signal check is valuable at times, other circumstances may call for custom measurements. Stand-alone instrumentation, such as dedicated oscilloscopes and spectrum analyzers, delivers common functions that appeal to the needs of many engineers. As you can imagine, these standard functions do not meet every application need, particularly in automated test applications. But with LabVIEW and the NI-SCOPE API, the digitizer that you use as a general-purpose oscilloscope for one application can be used as a custom instrument for more specialized measurements.



Figure 6. Custom measurements, such as those required for mass spectrometry, are enabled through the combination of LabVIEW and NI modular instruments.

Specifications

These specifications are valid for 0 to 55 °C unless otherwise stated.

Acquisition System

Number of channels Vertical resolution	2 simulta 	aneously sampled
Bandwidth (-3 dB)		
NI 51541 (GHz minimum	
NI 5153500 N	1Hz minimum	
NI 5152:		
Range (V _{pp})	50 Ω	1 Μ Ω

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All except 0.1	340 MHz, typical	300 MHz, typical
	300 MHz, minimum	260 MHz, minimum
0.1	165 MHz, typical	135 MHz, typical
	135 MHz, minimum	110 MHz, minimum

Bandwidth limit filters

(software-selectable)	20 MHz noise filter
Maximum sampling rate	1 GS/s (2 ch) or 2 GS/s (1 ch)
	real-time sampling, 20 GS/s
	equivalent-time/random-
	interleaved sampling
Onboard sample memory	8, 64, or 256 MB per channel
	(8, 64, or 256 million samples)

Multiple Record Acquisition			
Memory/Channel	Maximum Number of Records		
8 MB	32,768		
64 MB	100,000 ¹		
256 MB	100,000 ¹		
¹ More than 1 million in streaming configura	tion		

Full-scale input ranges NI 5154 and NI 5153:

	F	ull-Scale Input	Range		
Ranges (V _{pp})					
0.1	0.2	0.5	1	2	5

NI 5152:

Full-Scale Input Range and Programmable Vertical Offset				
50	ΩΩ	1 Μ Ω		
Range (V _{pp})	Vertical Offset Range (V)	Range (V _{pp})	Vertical Offset Range (V)	
0.1	±1	0.1	±1	
0.2	±1	0.2	±1	
0.4	±1	0.4	±1	
1	±1	1	±1	
2	±6	2	±10	
4	±5	4	±10	
10	±2	10	±10	

	Input	impedan	ce
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NI 5154, NI 5153	50 Ω
NI 5152	50 ${f \Omega}$ and 1 M ${f \Omega}$ II 22 pF,
	software-selectable
Maximum input overload	50 Ω : 7 V _{rms} with lpeaksl \leq 10 V
	1 M Ω : lpeaksl \leq 42 V (NI 5152)

Input coupling

NI 5154, NI 5153	AC, DC
NI 5152	AC, DC, GND
AC coupling cutoff frequency (-3 dB)	
NI 5154, NI 5153	114 kHz, 50 Ω
NI 5152	106 kHz, 50 Ω ; 12 Hz, 1 M Ω

Accuracy

DC Accuracy

NI 5154 Typical		0.1 to 1 V _{pp}	±(1.0% of Input + 1.3% of FS)
		2 to 5 V_{pp}	±(1.4% of Input + 1.3% of FS)
NI 5153	Typical	0.1 to 1 V _{pp}	±(1.0% of Input + 1.3% of FS)
		2 to 5 V_{pp}	±(1.4% of Input + 1.3% of FS)
NI 5152	Typical	0.1 to 1 V _{pp}	±(1.26% of Input + 1.0% of FS + 500 μV)
		2 to 5 V_{pp}	±(1.26% of Input + 1.0% of FS + 5 mV)
Channel-to-channel crosstalk		stalk	<-80 dB at 10 MHz,

<-60 dB at 100 MHz

Spectral Characteristics

		Noise Filter ON	Noise Filter OFF
NI 5154	ENOB	7.3	6.7
	Signal-to-noise-and-distortion (SINAD) ratio, typical	45 dB	41 dB
NI E1E0	ENOB	7.3	6.7
INI 5153	Signal-to-noise-and-distortion (SINAD) ratio, typical	45 dB	41 dB
NI 5152	ENOB	7.3	7.1
	Signal-to-noise-and-distortion (SINAD) ratio, typical	45 dB	43 dB

Timebase System

ïmebase options	Internal,	external	(PFI (D)
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Internal

Internal sample clock frequency	1 GS/s sampling rate with
	decimation by n, $1 \le n \le 65,535$
Timebase accuracy ²	±25 ppm (±0.0025%)
	if phase-locked to 10 MHz
	backplane clock
² Accuracy will improve when phase-locking to a mor	e accurate reference, such as an NI PXI-665x

timing and synchronization module, which can provide timebase accuracy down to ±50 ppb.

External

External clock sources External clock range	PFI 0 (SMB connector) 350 MHz to 1 GHz, variable with decimation by n where $1 \le n \le 65,535$
External reference sources	PXI_CLK10 (backplane connector); PEL 0 (front papel SMB connector)
External reference range	1 to 20 MHz in 1 MHz increments;
External clock/reference amplitude	Sine wave: 0.65 to 2.8 V _{pp}
External clock/reference impedance	50 Ω , AC coupled

Trigger System

Modes	Edge, hysteresis, window,
	digital, immediate, software
Sources	CH 0, CH 1, TRIG, PFI <01>
	PXI_Trig <06>, PXI Star
	Trigger, and Software
Slope	Rising or falling
Hysteresis	Fully programmable
High-frequency reject filter	50 kHz software-selectable
Low-frequency reject filter	50 kHz software-selectable
Sensitivity	
CH 0 and CH 1	
NI 5154	15% FS
NI 5152, NI 5153	10% FS
TRIG	
NI 5154	15% FS
NI 5153	10% FS
NI 5152	5% FS
Level accuracy	
CH 0, CH 1	±5% FS up to 10 MHz
TRIG	±1 V up to 10 MHz
Time resolution	5 ps with time-to-digital
	converter enabled
Holdoff	From Rearm Time up to
	[(2 ³² – 1) x Sample Clock Period]

Intermodule SMC Synchronization Using NI-TCIk (typical)

manual adjustment

Power Requirements (typical)

		+3.3 VDC (A)	+5 VDC (A)	+12 VDC (mA)	-12 VDC (mA)	Total Power (W)
NI 5154	PXI	1.7	1.8	520	200	23.25
	PCI	2.3	2.3	214	0	21.66
NI 5153	PXI	1.7	1.8	520	200	23.25
	PCI	2.3	2.3	214	0	21.66
NI 5152	PXI	1.1	1.9	500	210	21.65
	PCI	2.5	2.4	200	0	22.65

Environment

Operating temperature	0 to +55 °C in all NI PXI
	chassis except the following:
	0 to +45 °C when installed in an
	NI PXI-1000/B or PXI-101x
	chassis (meets IEC 60068-2-1
	and IEC 60068-2-2)
Storage temperature	-40 to +71 °C (meets IEC 60068-
C .	2-1 and IEC 60068-2-2)
Relative humidity	10 to 90%, noncondensing
	(meets IEC 60068-2-56)
Calibration	
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Self-calibration	Gain, offset, triggering, and
	timing for all input ranges;
	1 M Ω attenuator (NI 5152 only)

External Trigger Channel (TRIG)

Impedance	
NI 5154, NI 5153	2.25 k Ω
NI 5152	1 M Ω II 22 pF
Vertical range	±5 V
Coupling	
NI 5154, NI 5153	DC
NI 5152	AC, DC

Certification and Compliances

External calibration interval...... 2 years

CE Mark Compliance

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