

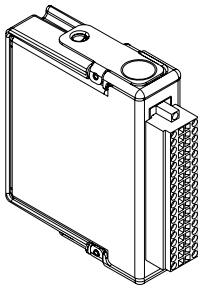
OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

NI 9206

16-Channel Analog Input Module for Fuel Cells

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This document describes how to use the National Instruments 9206 and includes specifications and terminal assignments for the NI 9206. Visit ni.com/info and enter `rdsoftwareversion` to determine which software you need for the modules you are using. For information about installing, configuring, and programming the system, refer to the system documentation. Visit ni.com/info and enter `cseriesdoc` for information about C Series documentation.



Note The safety guidelines and specifications in this document are specific to the NI 9206. The other components in the system might not meet the same safety ratings and specifications. Refer to the documentation for each component in the system to determine the safety ratings and specifications for the entire system.

Safety Guidelines

Operate the NI 9206 only as described in these operating instructions.



Hot Surface This icon denotes that the component may be hot. Touching this component may result in bodily injury.

Safety Guidelines for Hazardous Voltages

If hazardous voltages are connected to the module, take the following precautions. A hazardous voltage is a voltage greater than $42.4 V_{pk}$ or 60 VDC to earth ground.



Caution Ensure that hazardous voltage wiring is performed only by qualified personnel adhering to local electrical standards.



Caution Do *not* mix hazardous voltage circuits and human-accessible circuits on the same module.



Caution Make sure that devices and circuits connected to the module are properly insulated from human contact.



Caution When module terminals are hazardous voltage LIVE ($>42.4 V_{pk}/60$ VDC), you must ensure that devices and circuits connected to the module are properly insulated from human contact. You must use the NI 9941 connector backshell kit to ensure that the terminals are *not* accessible.

Figure 1 shows the NI 9941 connector backshell.

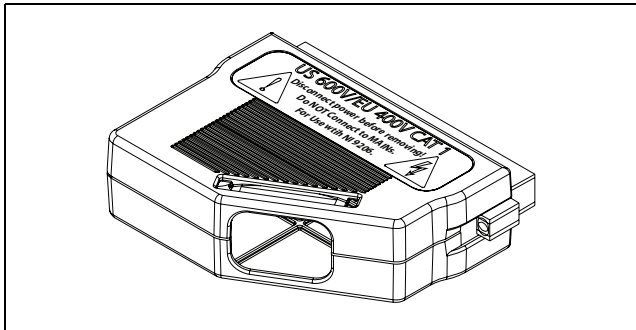


Figure 1. NI 9941 Connector Backshell



Caution In addition to attaching the connector backshell to the NI 9206, you must install the entire system in a UL Listed, suitably rated NEMA or IP enclosure for safe use.

Figure 2 shows the NI 9206 with the NI 9941 connector backshell enclosed in a suitably rated NEMA or IP enclosure.

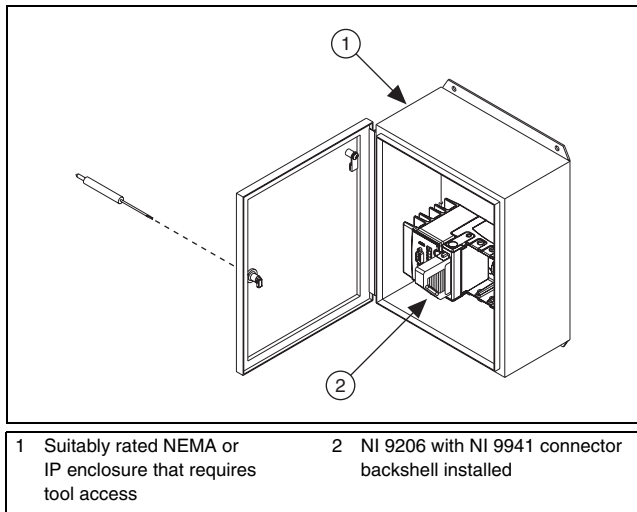


Figure 2. NI 9206 in a Suitably UL Rated NEMA or IP Enclosure

Safety Guidelines for Hazardous Locations

The NI 9206 is suitable for use in Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C, D, T4 hazardous locations; Class I, Zone 2, AEx nC IIC T4, and Ex nC IIC T4 hazardous locations; and nonhazardous locations only. Follow these guidelines if you are installing the NI 9206 in a potentially explosive environment. Not following these guidelines may result in serious injury or death.



Caution Do *not* disconnect I/O-side wires or connectors unless power has been switched off or the area is known to be nonhazardous.



Caution Do *not* remove modules unless power has been switched off or the area is known to be nonhazardous.



Caution Substitution of components may impair suitability for Class I, Division 2.



Caution For Zone 2 applications, install the system in an enclosure rated to at least IP 54 as defined by IEC 60529 and EN 60529.



Caution For Zone 2 applications, connected signals must be within the following limits:

Capacitance 0.2 μ F max

Inductance 60 mH max

Special Conditions for Hazardous Locations Use in Europe

This equipment has been evaluated as EEx nC IIC T4 equipment under DEMKO Certificate No. 03 ATEX 0324020X. Each module is marked $\text{\textcircled{Ex}}$ II 3G and is suitable for use in Zone 2 hazardous locations. If you are using the NI 9206 in Gas Group IIC hazardous locations or in ambient temperatures of $-40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \leq T_a \leq 70\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, you must use the device in an NI chassis that has been evaluated as EEx nC IIC T4, Ex nA IIC T4, or Ex nL IIC T4 equipment.

Special Conditions for Marine Applications

Some modules are Lloyd's Register (LR) Type Approved for marine applications. To verify Lloyd's Register certification, visit ni.com/certification and search for the LR certificate, or look for the Lloyd's Register mark on the module.



Caution To meet radio frequency emission requirements for marine applications, use shielded cables and install the system in a metal enclosure. Suppression ferrites must be installed on power supply inputs near power entries to modules and controllers. Power supply and module cables must be separated on opposite sides of the enclosure and must enter and exit through opposing enclosure walls.

Connecting the NI 9206

The NI 9206 is a 32-channel single-ended/16-channel differential analog input module.

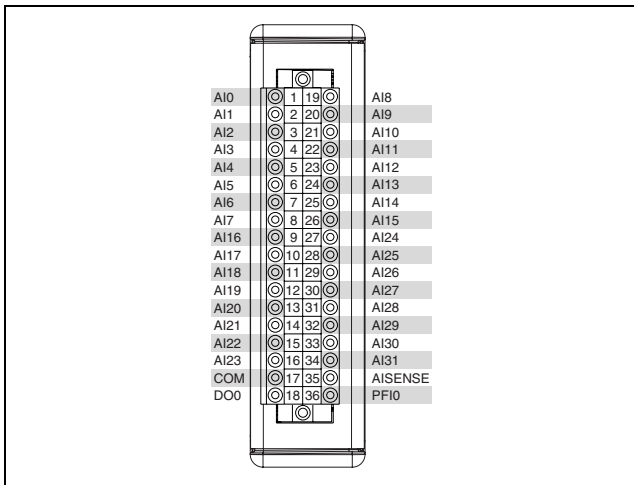


Figure 3. NI 9206 Terminal Assignments

The NI 9206 has a 36-terminal detachable spring-terminal connector that provides connections for the 16 differential or 32 single-ended analog input channels, as well as one digital input channel, one digital output channel, COM, and AI SENSE. Each analog input channel has an AI terminal you can connect to an analog output device. The NI 9206 is capable of an aggregate sampling rate of 250 kS/s. The NI 9206 also supports triggering. Refer to the software help for information about input trigger modes. The NI 9206 channels share a common ground that is isolated from the other modules in the system. All channels share a programmable gain instrumentation amplifier (PGIA) and are multiplexed to an ADC. Each channel also has ± 30 V overvoltage protection. For more information about overvoltage protection, refer to the *Specifications* section.

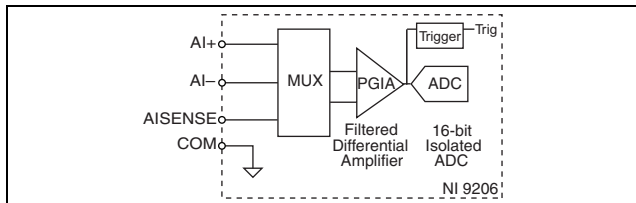


Figure 4. Input Circuitry for One Analog Channel of the NI 9206



Note The digital output channel is supported only in CompactRIO systems.

Connecting Wires to the NI 9206 Connector

Use a flathead screwdriver with a blade smaller than 2.3×1.0 mm (0.09×0.04 in.) to connect wires to the detachable spring-terminal connector. Insert the screwdriver into a spring clamp activation slot and press a wire into the corresponding connector terminal, then remove the screwdriver to clamp the wire into the terminal. Refer to the [Specifications](#) section for more information about spring-terminal wiring.

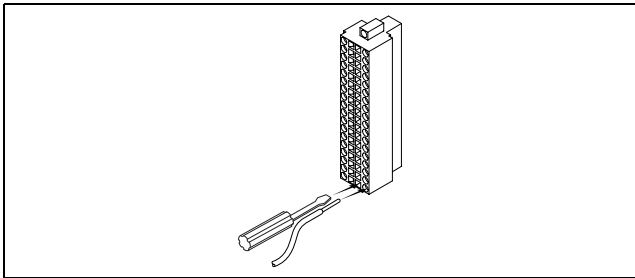


Figure 5. Connecting Wires to the NI 9206 Connector

Wiring for High-Vibration Applications

If an application is subject to high vibration, National Instruments recommends that you use the NI 9941 backshell kit to protect the connections. Refer to Figure 1 for an illustration of the NI 9941 connector backshell.

Connecting Devices to the NI 9206

You can connect the NI 9206 directly to a variety of devices and other signal sources. Make sure the devices you connect to the NI 9206 are compatible with the input specifications of the module. Refer to the [Specifications](#) section for more information about the input specifications.

When connecting various sources to the NI 9206, you can use differential, single-ended, or a combination of differential and single-ended connections. Refer to Figures 7, 8, and 9 for diagrams of each connection type.

Fuel Cell Devices

You can use the differential configuration, which provides up to 16 channels, to connect the NI 9206 to a fuel cell device. Refer to Figure 6 for an illustration of connecting the NI 9206 to a fuel cell device.

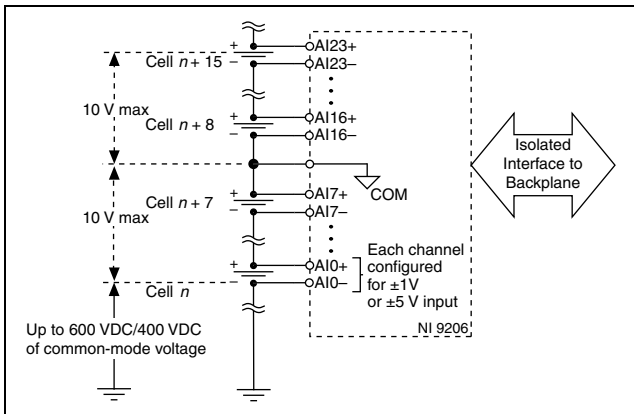


Figure 6. Connecting a Fuel Cell Device to the NI 9206

Differential Measurements

You can use a differential measurement configuration to attain more accurate measurements and less noise. A differential measurement configuration requires two inputs for each measurement, thus reducing the number of available channels on the NI 9206 to 16. Table 1 shows the signal pairs that are valid for differential connection configurations with the NI 9206.

Table 1. Differential Pairs

Channel	Signal+	Signal-	Channel	Signal+	Signal-
0	AI0	AI8	16	AI16	AI24
1	AI1	AI9	17	AI17	AI25
2	AI2	AI10	18	AI18	AI26
3	AI3	AI11	19	AI19	AI27
4	AI4	AI12	20	AI20	AI28
5	AI5	AI13	21	AI21	AI29
6	AI6	AI14	22	AI22	AI30
7	AI7	AI15	23	AI23	AI31

Refer to Figure 7 for an illustration of connecting a device to the NI 9206 using differential connections.

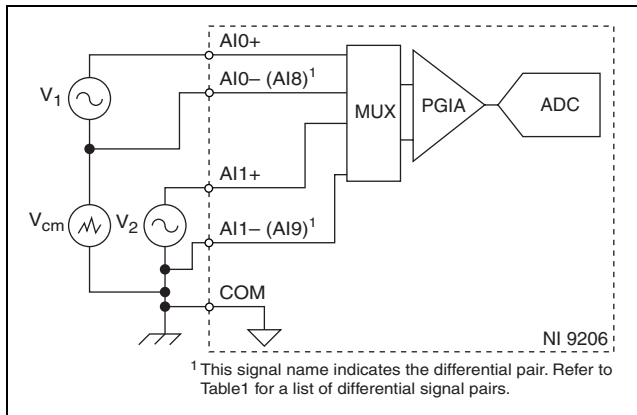


Figure 7. Connecting a Device to the NI 9206 Using Differential Connections

In a differential connection configuration, the NI 9206 rejects the common-mode noise voltage, V_{cm} , during the measurement of V_1 .

Referenced Single-Ended (RSE) Measurements

You can use an RSE measurement configuration to take measurements on 32 channels when all channels share a common ground. Refer to Figure 8 for an illustration of connecting a device to the NI 9206 using RSE connections.

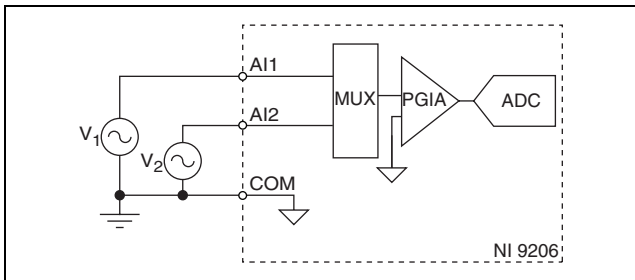


Figure 8. Connecting a Device to the NI 9206 Using RSE Connections

In an RSE connection configuration, the NI 9206 measures each input channel with respect to COM.



Note If you leave the COM terminal unconnected, the signals float outside the working input range of the NI 9206. This may result in unreliable measurements, as there is no way to ensure that the input signal is within 10 V of COM.

Non-Referenced, Single-Ended (NRSE) Measurements

You can use an NRSE measurement configuration to take measurements on all 32 channels while reducing noise more effectively than with an RSE connection configuration. This configuration provides remote sense for the negative (–) input of the PGIA that is shared by all channels configured for NRSE mode. The behavior of this configuration is similar to the behavior of RSE connections, but it provides improved noise rejection. Refer to Figure 9 for an illustration of connecting a device to the NI 9206 using NRSE connections.

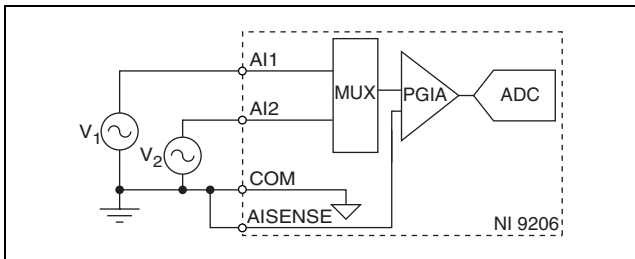


Figure 9. Connecting a Device to the NI 9206 Using NRSE Connections

In an NRSE connection configuration, the NI 9206 measures each input channel with respect to AI SENSE.

Sleep Mode

This module supports a low-power sleep mode. Support for sleep mode at the system level depends on the chassis that the module is plugged into. Refer to the chassis manual for information about support for sleep mode. If the chassis supports sleep mode, refer to the software help for information about enabling sleep mode. Visit ni.com/info and enter `cseriesdoc` for information about C Series documentation.

Typically, when a system is in sleep mode, you cannot communicate with the modules. In sleep mode, the system consumes minimal power and may dissipate less heat than it does in normal mode. Refer to the *Specifications* section for more information about power consumption and thermal dissipation.

Specifications

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

Analog Input Characteristics

Number of channels	32 single-ended or 16 differential analog input channels, 1 digital input channel, and 1 digital output channel
ADC resolution	16 bits
DNL	No missing codes guaranteed

INL.....	Refer to the <i>AI Absolute Accuracy Tables and Formulas</i>
MTBF	765,695 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.

Conversion time

R Series Expansion chassis 4.50 μ s (222 kS/s)

All other chassis 4.00 μ s (250 kS/s)

Input coupling..... DC

Nominal input ranges..... ± 10 V, ± 5 V, ± 1 V, ± 0.2 V

Minimum overrange

(for 10 V range) 4%

Maximum working voltage for analog inputs

(signal + common mode)..... Each channel must remain within ± 10.4 V of common

Input impedance (AI-to-COM)

Powered on >10 G Ω in parallel
with 100 pF

Powered off/overload 4.7 k Ω min

Input bias current \pm 100 pA

Crosstalk (at 100 kHz)

Adjacent channels -65 dB

Non-adjacent channels -70 dB

Analog bandwidth..... 370 kHz

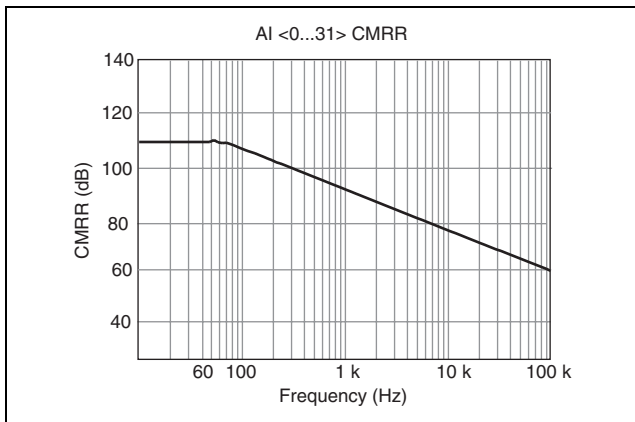
Overvoltage protection

AI channel (0 to 31) \pm 30 V (one channel only)

AISENSE \pm 30 V

CMRR (DC to 60 Hz)..... 100 dB

Typical AI+ to AI- CMRR graph



Settling time for multichannel measurements, accuracy, all ranges
 ± 120 ppm of full scale step
(± 8 LSB)..... 4 μ s convert interval
 ± 30 ppm of step of full scale step
(± 2 LSB)..... 8 μ s convert interval

Analog triggers

Number of triggers	1
Resolution.....	10 bits, 1 in 1,024
Bandwidth (–3 dB)	370 kHz
Accuracy.....	±1% of full scale

Scaling coefficients

Nominal Range (V)	Typical Scaling Coefficient (μV/LSB)
±10	328
±5	164.2
±1	32.8
±0.2	6.57

AI Absolute Accuracy Tables and Formulas

The values in the following tables are based on calibrated scaling coefficients, which are stored in the onboard EEPROM.

Accuracy summary

Nominal Range (V)	Absolute Accuracy at Full Scale* (μV)	Random Noise, σ (μVrms)	Sensitivity** (μV)
± 10	6,230	240	96.0
± 5	3,230	116	46.4
± 1	690	26	10.4
± 0.2	174	10	4.0

* Absolute accuracy values at full scale on the analog input channels assume the device is operating within 70 °C of the last external calibration and are valid for averaging 100 samples immediately following internal calibration. Refer to the [Absolute accuracy formulas](#) for more information.

** Sensitivity is the smallest voltage change that can be detected. It is a function of noise.

Accuracy details

Nominal Range (V)	Residual Gain Error (ppm of Reading)	Gain Tempco (ppm/°C)	Reference Tempco	Residual Offset Error (ppm of Range)	Offset Tempco (ppm of Range/°C)	INL Error (ppm of Range)
±10	115	11	5	20	44	76
±5	135	11	5	20	47	76
±1	155	11	5	25	66	76
±0.2	215	11	5	40	162	76

Absolute accuracy formulas

$AbsoluteAccuracy = Reading \cdot GainError + Range \cdot OffsetError + NoiseUncertainty$

$GainError = ResidualGainError + GainTempco \cdot TempChangeFromLastInternalCal + ReferenceTempco \cdot TempChangeFromLastExternalCal$

$OffsetError = ResidualOffsetError + OffsetTempco \cdot TempChangeFromLastInternalCal + INL_Error$

$NoiseUncertainty = (RandomNoise \cdot 3) / \sqrt{100}$ for a coverage factor of 3σ and averaging 100 points.

Absolute accuracy at full scale on the analog input channels is determined using the following assumptions:

$TempChangeFromLastExternalCal = 70 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

$TempChangeFromLastInternalCal = 1 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

$NumberOfReadings = 100$

$CoverageFactor = 3 \sigma$

For example, on the 10 V range, the absolute accuracy at full scale is as follows:

$GainError = 115 \text{ ppm} + 11 \text{ ppm} \cdot 1 + 5 \text{ ppm} \cdot 70$

$GainError = 476 \text{ ppm}$

$OffsetError = 20 \text{ ppm} + 44 \text{ ppm} \cdot 1 + 76 \text{ ppm}$

$OffsetError = 140 \text{ ppm}$

$NoiseUncertainty = (240 \text{ } \mu\text{V} \cdot 3) / \sqrt{100}$

$Noise Uncertainty = 72 \text{ } \mu\text{V}$

$AbsoluteAccuracy = 10 \text{ V} \cdot 476 \text{ ppm} + 10 \text{ V} \cdot 140 \text{ ppm} + 72 \text{ } \mu\text{V}$

$AbsoluteAccuracy = 6,232 \text{ } \mu\text{V}$ (rounds to 6,230 μV)

Digital Characteristics

Overvoltage protection ± 30 V

Digital input logic levels

Level	Min	Max
Input high voltage (V_{IH})	2.0 V	3.3 V
Input low voltage (V_{IL})	0 V	0.34 V

Digital output logic levels

Level	Min	Max
Output high voltage (V_{OH}), sourcing 75 μ A	2.1 V	3.3 V
Output low voltage (V_{OL}), sinking 250 μ A	0 V	0.4 V

External digital triggers

Source PF10

Delay 100 ns max

Power Requirements

Power consumption from chassis

Active mode 625 mW max

Sleep mode 15 mW

Thermal dissipation (at 70 °C)

Active mode 625 mW max

Sleep mode 15 mW

Physical Characteristics

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

Spring-terminal wiring..... 18 to 28 AWG copper
conductor wire with 7 mm
(0.28 in.) of insulation
stripped from the end

Weight..... 158 g (5.8 oz)

Safety

Maximum Voltage¹

Connect only voltages that are within the following limits.

AI, PFI0, and DO to COM..... ± 30 VDC

Isolation Voltages

Channel-to-channel..... None

Channel-to-earth ground

Continuous

U.S. (UL 61010-1) 600 VDC, Measurement
Category I

Europe (IEC 61010-1) 400 VDC, Measurement
Category I

Withstand..... 2,500 V_{pk}, verified by a 5 s
dielectric withstand test

Measurement Category I is for measurements performed on circuits not directly connected to the electrical distribution system

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

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. Do *not* connect the NI 9206 to signals or use for measurements within Measurement Categories II, III, or IV.

Safety Standards

This product is designed to meet 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 visit ni.com/certification, search by module number or product line, and click the appropriate link in the Certification column.

Hazardous Locations

U.S. (UL)	Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C, D, T4; Class I, Zone 2, AEx nC IIC T4
Canada (C-UL)	Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C, D, T4; Class I, Zone 2, Ex nC IIC T4
Europe (DEMKO).....	EEx nC IIC T4

Environmental

National Instruments C Series modules are intended for indoor use only but may be used outdoors if installed in a suitable enclosure. Refer to the manual for the chassis you are using for more information about meeting these specifications.

Operating temperature
(IEC 60068-2-1, IEC 60068-2-2) -40 to 70 °C

Storage temperature
(IEC 60068-2-1, IEC 60068-2-2) -40 to 85 °C

Ingress protection..... IP 40

Operating humidity
(IEC 60068-2-56)..... 10 to 90% RH,
noncondensing

Storage humidity
(IEC 60068-2-56)..... 5 to 95% RH,
noncondensing

Maximum altitude..... 2,000 m

Pollution Degree (IEC 60664) 2

Shock and Vibration

To meet these specifications, you must panel mount the system and use the NI 9941 backshell kit to protect the connections.

Operating vibration

Random (IEC 60068-2-64)..... 5 g_{rms} , 10 to 500 Hz

Sinusoidal (IEC 60068-2-6) 5 g, 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

Electromagnetic Compatibility

This product is designed to meet the requirements of the following standards of EMC for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- EN 61326 EMC requirements; Industrial Immunity
- EN 55011 Emissions; Group 1, Class A
- CE, C-Tick, ICES, and FCC Part 15 Emissions; Class A



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

CE Compliance

This product meets the essential requirements of applicable European directives, as amended for CE markings, as follows:

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



Note Refer to the Declaration of Conformity (DoC) for this product for any additional regulatory compliance information. To obtain the DoC for this product,

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Environmental Management

National Instruments is committed to designing and manufacturing products in an environmentally responsible manner. NI recognizes that eliminating certain hazardous substances from our products is beneficial not only to the environment but also to NI customers.

For additional environmental information, refer to the *NI and the Environment* Web page at ni.com/environment. This page contains the environmental regulations and directives with which NI complies, as well as other environmental information not included in this document.

Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE)



EU Customers At the end of their life cycle, all products *must* be sent to a WEEE recycling center. For more information about WEEE recycling centers and National Instruments WEEE initiatives, visit ni.com/environment/weee.htm.

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Calibration (Analog Input)

You can obtain the calibration certificate and information about calibration services for the NI 9206 at ni.com/calibration.

Calibration interval 2 years

Where to Go for Support

The National Instruments Web site is your complete resource for technical support. At ni.com/support you have access to everything from troubleshooting and application development self-help resources to email and phone assistance from NI Application Engineers.

National Instruments corporate headquarters is located at 11500 North Mopac Expressway, Austin, Texas, 78759-3504.

National Instruments also has offices located around the world to help address your support needs. For telephone support in the United States, create your service request at ni.com/support and follow the calling instructions or dial 512 795 8248. For telephone support outside the United States, contact your local branch office:

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