

NI USB-621x Specifications

Specifications listed below are typical at 25 °C unless otherwise noted.

Analog Input

Number of channels

USB-6210/6211/6215.....	8 differential or 16 single ended
USB-6218.....	16 differential or 32 single ended

ADC resolution..... 16 bits

DNL..... No missing codes
guaranteed

INL..... Refer to the *AI Absolute
Accuracy Table*

Sampling rate

Maximum.....	250 KS/s (aggregate)
Minimum.....	0 S/s
Timing accuracy.....	50 ppm of sample rate
Timing resolution.....	50 ns

Input coupling..... DC

Input range..... ± 10 V, ± 5 V,
 ± 1 V, ± 0.2 V

Maximum working voltage for analog inputs
(signal + common mode)..... ± 10.4 V of AI GND

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

Input impedance

Device on

AI+ to AI GND.....	>10 G Ω in parallel with 100 pF
AI- to AI GND.....	>10 G Ω in parallel with 100 pF

Device off

AI+ to AI GND.....	1200 Ω
AI- to AI GND.....	1200 Ω

Input bias current..... ± 100 pA

Crosstalk (at 100 kHz)

Adjacent channels.....	-75 dB
Non-adjacent channels.....	-90 dB

Small signal bandwidth (-3 dB)..... 450 kHz

Input FIFO size..... 4,095 samples

Scan list memory..... 4,095 entries

Data transfers..... USB Signal Stream,
programmed I/O

Overvoltage protection (AI <0.31 >, AI SENSE)

Device on.....	± 30 V for up to two AI pins
Device off.....	± 20 V for up to two AI pins

Input current during

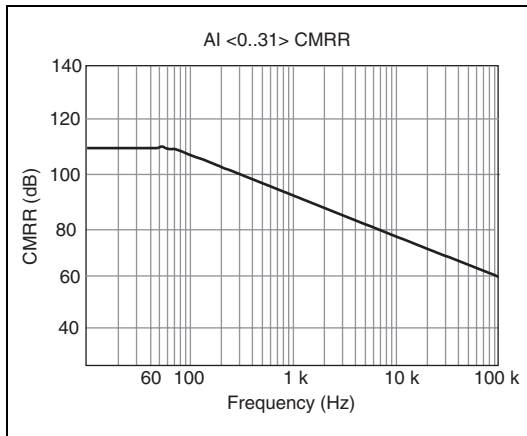
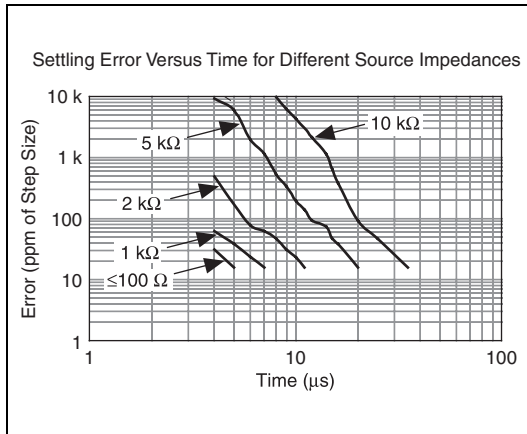
overvoltage condition..... ± 20 mA max/AI pin

Settling Time for Multichannel Measurements

Accuracy, full scale step, all ranges

± 90 ppm of step (± 6 LSB).....	4 μ s convert interval
± 30 ppm of step (± 2 LSB).....	5 μ s convert interval
± 15 ppm of step (± 1 LSB).....	7 μ s convert interval

Typical Performance Graphs



Analog Output

Number of channels

USB-6210..... 0

USB-6211/6215/6218..... 2

DAC resolution 16 bits

DNL ± 1 LSB

Monotonicity 16 bit guaranteed

Maximum update rate

1 channel 250 kS/s

2 channels 250 kS/s per channel

Timing accuracy 50 ppm of sample rate

Timing resolution..... 50 ns

Output range ± 10 V

Output coupling DC

Output impedance 0.2Ω

Output current drive ± 2 mA

Overdrive protection ± 30 V

Overdrive current..... 2.4 mA

Power-on state..... ± 20 mV

Power-on glitch..... ± 1 V for 200 ms

Output FIFO size 8,191 samples shared among channels used

Data transfers USB Signal Stream, programmed I/O

AO waveform modes:

- Non-periodic waveform
- Periodic waveform regeneration mode from onboard FIFO
- Periodic waveform regeneration from host buffer including dynamic update

Settling time, full scale step

15 ppm (1 LSB) 32 μ s

Slew rate 10 V/ μ s

Glitch energy

Magnitude..... 100 mV

Duration..... 2.6 μ s

Calibration (AI and AO)

Recommended warm-up time 15 minutes

Calibration interval 1 year

AI Absolute Accuracy Table

Nominal Range	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)	Random Noise, σ (μ Vrms)	Absolute Accuracy at Full Scale ¹ (μ V)	Sensitivity ² (μ V)
	Positive Full Scale	Negative Full Scale								
10	-10	75	7.3	5	20	34	76	229	2,690	91.6
5	-5	85	7.3	5	20	36	76	118	1,410	47.2
1	-1	95	7.3	5	25	49	76	26	310	10.4
0.2	-0.2	135	7.3	5	40	116	76	12	88	4.8

AbsoluteAccuracy = Reading · (GainError) + Range · (OffsetError) + NoiseUncertainty

GainError = ResidualAIGainError + GainTempco · (TempChangeFromLastInternalCal) + ReferenceTempco · (TempChangeFromLastExternalCal)

OffsetError = ResidualAIOffsetError + OffsetTempco · (TempChangeFromLastInternalCal) + INL_Error

NoiseUncertainty = $\frac{\text{RandomNoise} \cdot 3}{\sqrt{100}}$ For a coverage factor of 3 σ and averaging 100 points.

¹ Absolute accuracy at full scale on the analog input channels is determined using the following assumptions:

TempChangeFromLastExternalCal = 10 °C

TempChangeFromLastInternalCal = 1 °C

number_of_readings = 100

CoverageFactor = 3 σ

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

GainError = 75 ppm + 7.3 ppm · 1 + 5 ppm · 10 GainError = 132 ppm

OffsetError = 20 ppm + 34 ppm · 1 + 76 ppm OffsetError = 130 ppm

NoiseUncertainty = $\frac{229 \mu\text{V} \cdot 3}{\sqrt{100}}$ NoiseUncertainty = 68.7 μ V

AbsoluteAccuracy = 10 V · (GainError) + 10 V · (OffsetError) + NoiseUncertainty AbsoluteAccuracy = 2,690 μ V

² Sensitivity is the smallest voltage change that can be detected. It is a function of noise.

Accuracies listed are valid for up to one year from the device external calibration.

AO Absolute Accuracy Table

Nominal Range		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)	Absolute Accuracy at Full Scale ¹ (µV)
Positive Full Scale	Negative Full Scale							
10	-10	90	11	5	60	12	128	3,512

¹ Absolute Accuracy at full scale numbers is valid immediately following internal calibration and assumes the device is operating within 10 °C of the last external calibration. Accuracies listed are valid for up to one year from the device external calibration.

AbsoluteAccuracy = OutputValue · (GainError) + Range · (OffsetError)
GainError = ResidualGainError + GainTempco · (TempChangeFromLastInternalCal) + ReferenceTempco · (TempChangeFromLastExternalCal)
OffsetError = ResidualOffsetError + AOffsetTempco · (TempChangeFromLastInternalCal) + INL_Error

Digital I/O/PFI

Static Characteristics

Number of channels	
Digital input	
USB-6210/6211/6215	4 (PFI <0..3>/P0.<0..3>)
USB-6218	8 (PFI <0..3>/P0.<0..3>, PFI <8..11>/P0.<4..7>)
Digital output	
USB-6210/6211/6215	4 (PFI <4..7>/P1.<0..3>)
USB-6218	8 (PFI <4..7>/P1.<0..3>, PFI <12..15>/P1.<4..7>)
Ground reference	D GND
Pull-down resistor	47 k Ω \pm 1%
Input voltage protection ¹	\pm 20 V on up to 8 pins

PFI/Port 0/Port 1 Functionality

PFI <0..3>, PFI <8..11>/Port 0	
Functionality	Static digital input, timing input
Debounce filter settings	125 ns, 6.425 μ s, 2.54 ms, disable; high and low transitions; selectable per input
PFI <4..7>, PFI <12..15>/Port 1	
functionality	Static digital output, timing output
Timing output sources	Many AI, AO, counter timing signals

Maximum Operation Conditions

Level	Min	Max
I _{OL} output low current	—	16 mA
I _{OH} output high current	—	-16 mA

Digital Input Characteristics

Level	Min	Max
V _{IL} input low voltage	0 V	0.8 V
V _{IH} input high voltage	2 V	5.25 V
I _{IL} input low current (V _{in} = 0 V)	—	-10 μ A
I _{IH} input high current (V _{in} = 5 V)	—	120 μ A

Digital Output Characteristics

Parameter	Voltage Level	Current Level
V _{OL}	0.6 V	6 mA
V _{OH}	2.7 V	-16 mA
	3.8 V	-6 mA

¹ Stresses beyond those listed under *Input voltage protection* may cause permanent damage to the device.

General-Purpose Counter/Timers

Number of counter/timers	2
Resolution.....	32 bits
Counter measurements	Edge counting, pulse, semi-period, period, two-edge separation
Position measurements.....	X1, X2, X4 quadrature encoding with Channel Z reloading; two-pulse encoding
Output applications.....	Pulse, pulse train with dynamic updates, frequency division, equivalent time sampling
Internal base clocks80 MHz, 20 MHz, 0.1 MHz
External base clock frequency.....	0 MHz to 20 MHz
Base clock accuracy	50 ppm
Inputs	Gate, Source, HW_Arm, Aux, A, B, Z, Up_Down
Routing options for inputs.....	PFI <0..3>, PFI <8..11>, many internal signals
FIFO	1,023 samples
Data transfers.....	USB Signal Stream, programmed I/O

Frequency Generator

Number of channels.....	1
Base clocks	10 MHz, 100 kHz
Divisors	1 to 16
Base clock accuracy	50 ppm
Output can be available on any PFI <4..7> or PFI <12..15> terminal.	

External Digital Triggers

Source	PFI <0..3>, PFI <8..11>
Polarity.....	Software-selectable for most signals
Analog input function	Start Trigger, Reference Trigger, Pause Trigger, Sample Clock, Convert Clock, Sample Clock Timebase
Analog output function	Start Trigger, Pause Trigger, Sample Clock, Sample Clock Timebase
Counter/timer functions	Gate, Source, HW_Arm, Aux, A, B, Z, Up_Down,

Bus Interface

USB.....	USB 2.0 Hi-Speed or full-speed ¹
USB Signal Stream (USB).....	4, can be used for analog input, analog output, counter/timer 0, counter/timer 1

Power Requirements

USB	
Input voltage on USB-621x	
USB port.....	4.5 to 5.25 V in configured state
Maximum inrush current.....	500 mA
No load typical current.....	320 mA at 4.5 V
Maximum load	
Typical current.....	400 mA at 4.5 V
Suspend current.....	260 μ A, typical
+5V terminal as output	
Voltage	4.6 to 5.2 V
Current (internally limited)	50 mA max, shared with digital outputs

¹ If you are using a USB M Series device in full-speed mode, device performance will be lower and you will not be able to achieve maximum sampling/update rates.

+5V terminal as input

Voltage	4.75 to 5.35 V
Current.....	350 mA max, self-resetting fuse



Caution Do not exceed 16 mA per DIO pin.

Protection..... ±10 V

Maximum Working Voltage¹

USB-6210/6211

Channel-to-earth ground 11 V,
Measurement Category I



Caution Do not use for measurements within Categories II, III, or IV.

USB-6215/6218

Channel-to-earth ground²

Continuous..... ≤30 Vrms/60 VDC,
Measurement Category I³

Withstand ≤840 Vrms/1200 VDC,
verified by a 5 s dielectric
withstand test

Channel-to-bus⁴

Continuous..... ≤30 Vrms/60 VDC,
Measurement Category I³

Withstand ≤400 Vrms/1950 VDC,
verified by a 5 s dielectric
withstand test

Analog channel to AI GND/AO GND

(in Figure 1, $|V_a - V_c|$) ≤1 V,
Measurement Category I³

Digital channel to D GND

(in Figure 1, $|V_b - V_c|$) ≤.25 V,
Measurement Category I³



Caution This device is rated for Measurement Category I and the voltage across the isolation barrier is limited to no greater than 30 Vrms/60 VDC/42.4 V_{pk} continuous. Do not use for measurements within Categories II, III, or IV.

Figure 1 illustrates the maximum working voltage specifications.

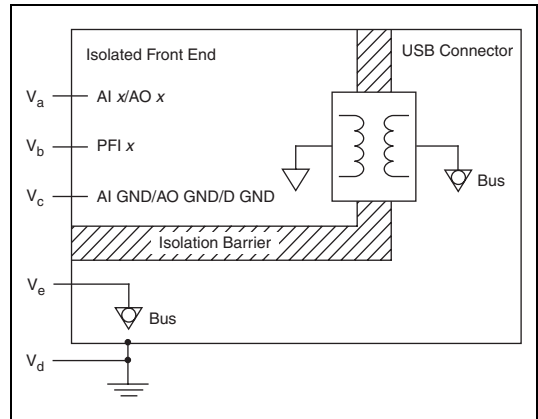


Figure 1. USB-6215/6218 Maximum Working Voltage

Environmental

Operating temperature..... 0 to 45 °C

Storage temperature..... -20 to 70 °C

Humidity..... 10 to 90% RH,
noncondensing

Maximum altitude 2,000 m

Pollution Degree
(indoor use only) 2

¹ Maximum working voltage refers to the signal voltage plus the common-mode voltage.

² In Figure 1, $|V_a - V_d|$, $|V_b - V_d|$, and $|V_c - V_d|$.

³ 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.

⁴ In Figure 1, $|V_a - V_c|$, $|V_b - V_c|$, and $|V_c - V_c|$.

Physical Characteristics

Enclosure dimensions (includes connectors).....	16.9 × 9.4 × 3.1 cm (6.65 × 3.70 × 1.20 in.)
Weight USB-6210/6211/6215/6218.....	205 g (7.23 oz)
I/O connectors	
USB-6210/6211/6215	Two 16-position combincon
USB-6218	Four 16-position combincon
USB connector	Series B receptacle
Screw terminal wiring	16 to 28 AWG
Torque for screw terminals.....	0.22–0.25 N · m (2.0–2.2 lb · in.)

Safety

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, CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 61010-1



Note For UL and other safety certifications, refer to the product label or visit ni.com/certification, search by model number or product line, and click the appropriate link in the Certification column.

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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; Minimum 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 marking, as follows:

- 73/23/EEC; Low-Voltage Directive (safety)
- 89/336/EEC; Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive (EMC)



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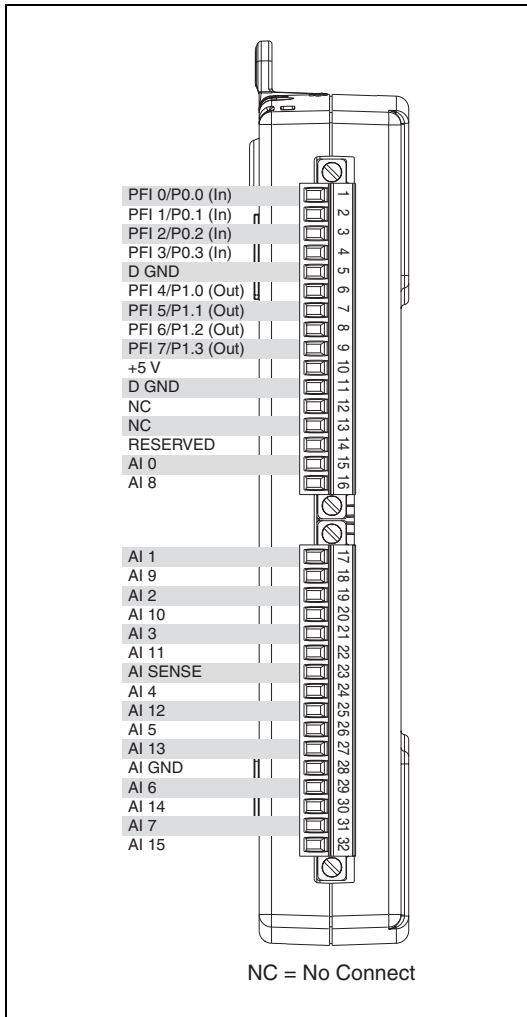


Figure 2. USB-6210 Pinout

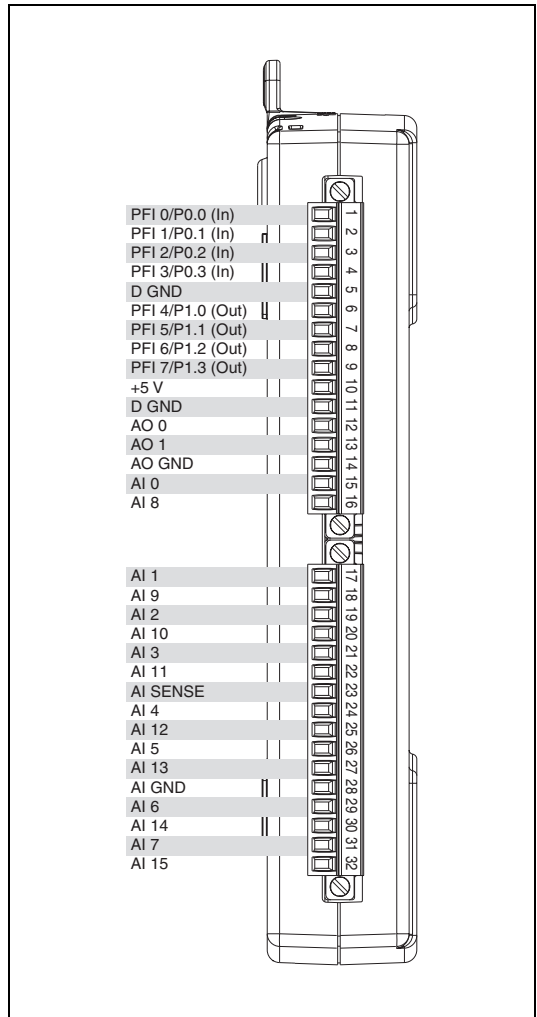


Figure 3. USB-6211/6215 Pinout

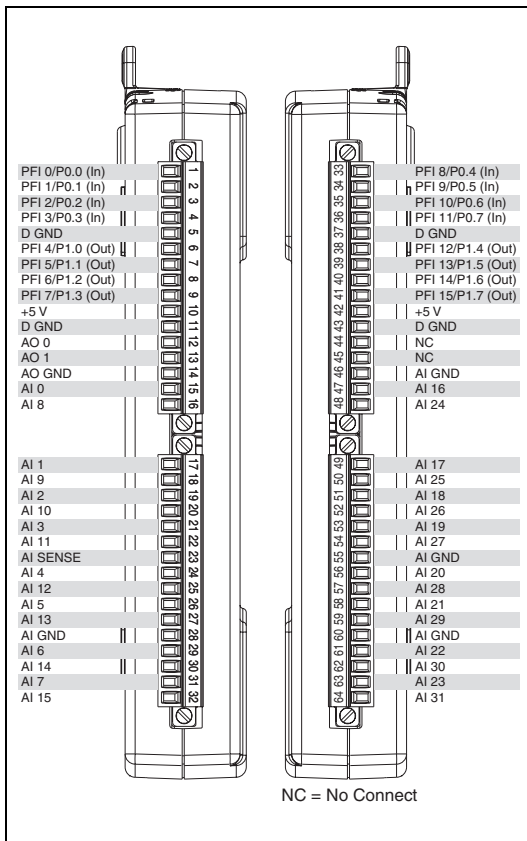


Figure 4. USB-6218 Pinout

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