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# About

The **nimi-python** repository generates Python bindings (Application Programming Interface) for interacting with the Modular Instrument drivers. The following drivers are supported:

- NI-DCPower (Python module: nidcpower)
- NI-Digital Pattern Driver (Python module: nidigital)
- NI-DMM (Python module: nidmm)
- NI-FGEN (Python module: nifgen)
- NI-ModInst (Python module: nimodinst)
- NI-SCOPE (Python module: niscope)
- NI Switch Executive (Python module: nise)
- NI-SWITCH (Python module: niswitch)
- NI-TClk (Python module: nitclk)

It is implemented as a set of Mako templates and per-driver metafiles that produce a Python module for each driver. The driver is called through its public C API using the ctypes Python library.

nimi-python supports all the Operating Systems supported by the underlying driver.

**nimi-python** follows Python Software Foundation support policy for different versions. At this time this includes Python 3.5 and above using CPython.

# Installation

Driver specific installation instructions can be found on Read The Docs:

- nidcpower
- nidigital
- nidmm
- nifgen
- nimodinst
- niscope
- nise
- niswitch
- nitclk

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# Contributing

We welcome contributions! You can clone the project repository, build it, and install it by following these instructions.

Support / Feedback

The packages included in **nimi-python** package are supported by NI. For support, open a request through the NI support portal at ni.com.

# Bugs / Feature Requests

To report a bug or submit a feature request specific to NI Modular Instruments Python bindings (nimi-python), please use the GitHub issues page.

Fill in the issue template as completely as possible and we will respond as soon as we can.

For hardware support or any other questions not specific to this GitHub project, please visit NI Community Forums.

# Documentation

Documentation is available here.

# 6.1 Additional Documentation

Refer to your driver documentation for device-specific information and detailed API documentation.

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# 7.1 nidcpower module

# 7.1.1 Installation

As a prerequisite to using the nidcpower module, you must install the NI-DCPower runtime on your system. Visit ni.com/downloads to download the driver runtime for your devices.

The nimi-python modules (i.e. for NI-DCPower) can be installed with pip:

```
$ python -m pip install nidcpower~=1.3.3
```

Or easy\_install from setuptools:

```
$ python -m easy_install nidcpower
```

# 7.1.2 Usage

The following is a basic example of using the **nidcpower** module to open a session to a Source Meter Unit and measure voltage and current.

```
import nidcpower
# Configure the session.
with nidcpower.Session(resource_name='PXI1Slot2', channels='0') as session:
    session.measure_record_length = 20
    session.measure_record_length_is_finite = True
    session.measure_when = nidcpower.MeasureWhen.AUTOMATICALLY_AFTER_SOURCE_COMPLETE
```

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```
session.voltage_level = 5.0
   session.commit()
   print('Effective measurement rate: {0} S/s'.format(session.measure_record_delta_
→time / 1))
   samples\_acquired = 0
   print(' # Voltage
                          Current
                                       In Compliance')
   row_format = '{0:3d}: {1:8.6f} {2:8.6f} {3}'
   with session.initiate():
       while samples_acquired < 20:</pre>
           measurements = session.fetch_multiple(count=session.fetch_backlog)
           samples_acquired += len(measurements)
           for i in range(len(measurements)):
               print(row_format.format(i, measurements[i].voltage, measurements[i].

current, measurements[i].in_compliance))
```

Additional examples for NI-DCPower are located in src/nidcpower/examples/ directory.

# 7.1.3 API Reference

# Session

**class** nidcpower.**Session** (*self*, *resource\_name*, *channels=None*, *reset=False*, *options={}*)

Creates and returns a new NI-DCPower session to the power supply or SMU specified in **resource name** to be used in all subsequent NI-DCPower method calls. With this method, you can optionally set the initial state of the following session properties:

- nidcpower.Session.simulate
- nidcpower.Session.driver\_setup

After calling this method, the session will be in the Uncommitted state. Refer to the Programming States topic for details about specific software states.

To place the device in a known start-up state when creating a new session, set **reset** to True. This action is equivalent to using the *nidcpower.Session.reset()* method immediately after initializing the session.

To open a session and leave the device in its existing configuration without passing through a transitional output state, set **reset** to False. Then configure the device as in the previous session, changing only the desired settings, and then call the *nidcpower.Session.initiate()* method.

## **Related Topics:**

## **Programming States**

## Parameters

- **resource\_name** (*str*) Specifies the **resourceName** assigned by Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX), for example "PXI1Slot3" where "PXI1Slot3" is an instrument's **resourceName**. **resourceName** can also be a logical IVI name.
- **channels** (*str*, *list*, *range*, *tuple*) Specifies which output channel(s) to include in a new session. Specify multiple channels by using a channel list or a channel range. A channel list is a comma (,) separated sequence of channel names (for example, 0,2 specifies channels 0 and 2). A channel range is a lower bound channel followed by a hyphen (-) or colon (:) followed by an upper bound channel (for example, 0-2 specifies channels 0, 1, and 2). In the Running state, multiple output channel configurations are performed sequentially

based on the order specified in this parameter. If you do not specify any channels, by default all channels on the device are included in the session.

- **reset** (*bool*) Specifies whether to reset the device during the initialization procedure.
- **options** (*dict*) Specifies the initial value of certain properties for the session. The syntax for **options** is a dictionary of properties with an assigned value. For example:

{ 'simulate': False }

You do not have to specify a value for all the properties. If you do not specify a value for a property, the default value is used.

Advanced Example: { 'simulate': True, 'driver\_setup': { 'Model': '<model number>', 'BoardType': '<type>' } }

Property	Default
range_check	True
query_instrument_status	False
cache	True
simulate	False
record_value_coersions	False
driver_setup	{}

# Methods

#### abort

#### nidcpower.Session.abort()

Transitions the NI-DCPower session from the Running state to the Uncommitted state. If a sequence is running, it is stopped. Any configuration methods called after this method are not applied until the *nidcpower.Session.initiate()* method is called. If power output is enabled when you call the *nidcpower.Session.abort()* method, the output channels remain in their current state and continue providing power.

Use the nidcpower.Session.ConfigureOutputEnabled() method to disable power output on a per channel basis. Use the *nidcpower.Session.reset()* method to disable output on all channels.

Refer to the Programming States topic in the *NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help* for information about the specific NI-DCPower software states.

#### **Related Topics:**

**Programming States** 

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

## close

```
nidcpower.Session.close()
```

Closes the session specified in **vi** and deallocates the resources that NI-DCPower reserves. If power output is enabled when you call this method, the output channels remain in their existing state and continue providing power. Use the nidcpower.Session.ConfigureOutputEnabled()

method to disable power output on a per channel basis. Use the *nidcpower.Session*. *reset ()* method to disable power output on all channel(s).

#### **Related Topics:**

**Programming States** 

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

Note: This method is not needed when using the session context manager

#### commit

```
nidcpower.Session.commit()
```

Applies previously configured settings to the device. Calling this method moves the NI-DCPower session from the Uncommitted state into the Committed state. After calling this method, modifying any property reverts the NI-DCPower session to the Uncommitted state. Use the *nidcpower*. *Session.initiate()* method to transition to the Running state. Refer to the Programming States topic in the *NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help* for details about the specific NI-DCPower software states.

#### **Related Topics:**

**Programming States** 

## configure\_aperture\_time

nidcpower.Session.configure\_aperture\_time(aperture\_time,

units=nidcpower.ApertureTimeUnits.SECONDS)

Configures the aperture time on the specified channel(s).

The supported values depend on the **units**. Refer to the *Aperture Time* topic for your device in the *NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help* for more information. In general, devices support discrete **apertureTime** values, and if you configure **apertureTime** to some unsupported value, NI-DCPower coerces it up to the next supported value.

Refer to the *Measurement Configuration and Timing* or *DC Noise Rejection* topic for your device in the *NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help* for more information about how to configure your measurements.

#### **Related Topics:**

Aperture Time

**Note:** This method is not supported on all devices. Refer to Supported Methods by Device for more information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated

capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Parameters**

- **aperture\_time** (float) Specifies the aperture time. Refer to the *Aperture Time* topic for your device in the *NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help* for more information.
- units (*nidcpower*.*ApertureTimeUnits*) Specifies the units for apertureTime. Defined Values:

SECONDS (1028)	Specifies seconds.
POWER_LINE_CYCLES (1029)	Specifies Power Line Cycles.

#### create\_advanced\_sequence

nidcpower.Session.create\_advanced\_sequence(sequence\_name, property\_names,

creates an empty advanced sequence.set\_as\_active\_sequence=True)Create\_advanced\_sequence\_step()Call the nidcpower.Session.create\_advanced\_sequence\_step()method to add steps to the active advanced sequence.

You can create multiple advanced sequences in a session.

#### Support for this method

You must set the source mode to Sequence to use this method.

Using the *nidcpower.Session.set\_sequence()* method with Advanced Sequence methods is unsupported.

Use this method in the Uncommitted or Committed programming states. Refer to the Programming States topic in the *NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help* for more information about NI-DCPower programming states.

#### **Related Topics:**

Advanced Sequence Mode

**Programming States** 

nidcpower.Session.create\_advanced\_sequence\_step()

**Note:** This method is not supported on all devices. Refer to Supported Methods by Device for more information about supported devices.

#### **Parameters**

- **sequence\_name** (*str*) Specifies the name of the sequence to create.
- **property\_names** (*list of str*) Specifies the names of the properties you reconfigure per step in the advanced sequence. The following table lists which properties can be configured in an advanced sequence for each NI-DCPower device that supports advanced sequencing. A Yes indicates that the property can be configured in advanced sequencing. An No indicates that the property cannot be configured in advanced sequencing.

Property	PXIe-4135	PXIe-4136	PXIe-4137	PXIe-4138
nidcpower.Session.dc_noise_rejection	Yes	No	Yes	No
nidcpower.Session.aperture_time	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.measure_record_length	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.sense	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.ovp_enabled	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
nidcpower.Session.ovp_limit	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
nidcpower.Session.pulse_bias_delay	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.pulse_off_time	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.pulse_on_time	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.source_delay	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.current_compensation_frequency	Yes	No	Yes	No
nidcpower.Session.current_gain_bandwidth	Yes	No	Yes	No
<pre>nidcpower.Session.current_pole_zero_ratio</pre>	Yes	No	Yes	No
<pre>nidcpower.Session.voltage_compensation_frequency</pre>	Yes	No	Yes	No
nidcpower.Session.voltage_gain_bandwidth	Yes	No	Yes	No
<pre>nidcpower.Session.voltage_pole_zero_ratio</pre>	Yes	No	Yes	No
nidcpower.Session.current_level	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.current_level_range</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.voltage_limit	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.voltage_limit_high	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.voltage_limit_low</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.voltage_limit_range</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.current_limit	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.current_limit_high	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.current_limit_low</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.current_limit_range</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.voltage_level	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.voltage_level_range</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.output_enabled	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.output_function	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.output_resistance	Yes	No	Yes	No
<pre>nidcpower.Session.pulse_bias_current_level</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.pulse_bias_voltage_limit	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.pulse_bias_voltage_limit_high</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.pulse_bias_voltage_limit_low</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.pulse_current_level	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.pulse_current_level_range</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.pulse_voltage_limit	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.pulse_voltage_limit_high</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.pulse_voltage_limit_low</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.pulse_voltage_limit_range</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.pulse_bias_current_limit	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.pulse_bias_current_limit_high</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.pulse_bias_current_limit_low</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.pulse_bias_voltage_level	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.pulse_current_limit	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.pulse_current_limit_high	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
nidcpower.Session.pulse_current_limit_low	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<pre>nidcpower.Session.pulse_current_limit_range</pre>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Yes

Yes

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Property	PXIe-4135	PXIe-4136	PXIe-4137	PXIe-4138
nidcpower.Session.pulse_voltage_level	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Yes

Yes

. .

Yes

Yes

Yes

Yes

• <b>set_as_active_sequence</b> (bool) – Specifies that this current sequence is
active.

## create advanced sequence step

nidcpower.Session.create\_advanced\_sequence\_step(set\_as\_active\_step=True) Creates a new advanced sequence step in the advanced sequence specified by the Active advanced sequence. When you create an advanced sequence step, each property you passed to the nidcpower. Session.\_create\_advanced\_sequence() method is reset to its default value for that step unless otherwise specified.

#### Support for this Method

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_voltage\_level\_range

nidcpower.Session.transient\_response

You must set the source mode to Sequence to use this method.

Using the nidcpower.Session.set\_sequence() method with Advanced Sequence methods is unsupported.

#### **Related Topics:**

Advanced Sequence Mode

**Programming States** 

nidcpower.Session.\_create\_advanced\_sequence()

Note: This method is not supported on all devices. Refer to Supported Methods by Device for more information about supported devices.

Parameters set\_as\_active\_step (bool) - Specifies that this current step in the active sequence is active.

# delete advanced sequence

nidcpower.Session.delete\_advanced\_sequence(sequence\_name)

Deletes a previously created advanced sequence and all the advanced sequence steps in the advanced sequence.

#### Support for this Method

You must set the source mode to Sequence to use this method.

Using the nidcpower.Session.set\_sequence() method with Advanced Sequence methods is unsupported.

#### **Related Topics:**

Advanced Sequence Mode

**Programming States** 

**Note:** This method is not supported on all devices. Refer to Supported Methods by Device for more information about supported devices.

**Parameters** sequence\_name (*str*) - specifies the name of the sequence to delete.

## disable

nidcpower.Session.disable()

This method performs the same actions as the *nidcpower.Session.reset()* method, except that this method also immediately sets the *nidcpower.Session.output\_enabled* property to False.

This method opens the output relay on devices that have an output relay.

#### export\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer

# nidcpower.Session.export\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer()

Exports the property configuration of the session to the specified configuration buffer.

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers and the same number of configured channels.

This method verifies that the properties you have configured for the session are valid. If the configuration is invalid, NI-DCPower returns an error.

#### Support for this Method

Calling this method in Sequence Source Mode is unsupported.

## **Channel Mapping Behavior for Multichannel Sessions**

When importing and exporting session property configurations between NI-DCPower sessions that were initialized with different channels, the configurations of the exporting channels are mapped to the importing channels in the order you specify in the **channelName** input to the nidcpower. Session.\_\_init\_\_() method.

For example, if your entry for **channelName** is 0,1 for the exporting session and 1,2 for the importing session:

- The configuration exported from channel 0 is imported into channel 1.
- The configuration exported from channel 1 is imported into channel 2.

# **Related Topics:**

Using Properties and Properties

Setting Properties and Properties Before Reading Them

**Note:** This method will return an error if the total number of channels initialized for the exporting session is not equal to the total number of channels initialized for the importing session.

#### Return type bytes

**Returns** Specifies the byte array buffer to be populated with the exported property configuration.

# export\_attribute\_configuration\_file

nidcpower.Session.export\_attribute\_configuration\_file(file\_path)

Exports the property configuration of the session to the specified file.

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers and the same number of configured channels.

This method verifies that the properties you have configured for the session are valid. If the configuration is invalid, NI-DCPower returns an error.

# **Support for this Method**

Calling this method in Sequence Source Mode is unsupported.

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For example, if your entry for **channelName** is 0,1 for the exporting session and 1,2 for the importing session:

- The configuration exported from channel 0 is imported into channel 1.
- The configuration exported from channel 1 is imported into channel 2.

# **Related Topics:**

Using Properties and Properties

Setting Properties and Properties Before Reading Them

**Note:** This method will return an error if the total number of channels initialized for the exporting session is not equal to the total number of channels initialized for the importing session.

**Parameters file\_path** (*str*) – Specifies the absolute path to the file to contain the exported property configuration. If you specify an empty or relative path, this method returns an error. **Default file extension:** .nidcpowerconfig

# fetch\_multiple

nidcpower.Session.fetch\_multiple(count, timeout=hightime.timedelta(seconds=1.0))
Returns a list of named tuples (Measurement) that were previously taken and are stored in
the NI-DCPower buffer. This method should not be used when the nidcpower.Session.
measure\_when property is set to ON\_DEMAND. You must first call nidcpower.Session.
initiate() before calling this method.

Fields in Measurement:

- voltage (float)
- current (float)
- in\_compliance (bool)

**Note:** This method is not supported on all devices. Refer to Supported Methods by Device for more information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### Parameters

- **count** (*int*) Specifies the number of measurements to fetch.
- **timeout** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Specifies the maximum time allowed for this method to complete. If the method does not complete within this time interval, NI-DCPower returns an error.

**Note:** When setting the timeout interval, ensure you take into account any triggers so that the timeout interval is long enough for your application.

#### Return type list of Measurement

# Returns

List of named tuples with fields:

- voltage (float)
- current (float)
- in\_compliance (bool)

#### get\_channel\_name

nidcpower.Session.get\_channel\_name(index)

Retrieves the output **channelName** that corresponds to the requested **index**. Use the *nidcpower*. *Session.channel\_count* property to determine the upper bound of valid values for **index**.

**Parameters index** (*int*) – Specifies which output channel name to return. The index values begin at 1.

Return type str

**Returns** Returns the output channel name that corresponds to **index**.

#### get\_ext\_cal\_last\_date\_and\_time

nidcpower.Session.get\_ext\_cal\_last\_date\_and\_time()
Returns the date and time of the last successful calibration.

Return type hightime.datetime

**Returns** Indicates date and time of the last calibration.

## get\_ext\_cal\_last\_temp

nidcpower.Session.get\_ext\_cal\_last\_temp()

Returns the onboard **temperature** of the device, in degrees Celsius, during the last successful external calibration.

Return type float

**Returns** Returns the onboard **temperature** of the device, in degrees Celsius, during the last successful external calibration.

## get\_ext\_cal\_recommended\_interval

```
nidcpower.Session.get_ext_cal_recommended_interval()
```

Returns the recommended maximum interval, in months, between external calibrations.

Return type hightime.timedelta

**Returns** Specifies the recommended maximum interval, in **months**, between external calibrations.

#### get\_self\_cal\_last\_date\_and\_time

```
nidcpower.Session.get_self_cal_last_date_and_time()
```

Returns the date and time of the oldest successful self-calibration from among the channels in the session.

Note: This method is not supported on all devices.

Return type hightime.datetime

Returns Returns the date and time the device was last calibrated.

#### get\_self\_cal\_last\_temp

```
nidcpower.Session.get_self_cal_last_temp()
```

Returns the onboard temperature of the device, in degrees Celsius, during the oldest successful selfcalibration from among the channels in the session.

For example, if you have a session using channels 1 and 2, and you perform a self-calibration on channel 1 with a device temperature of 25 degrees Celsius at 2:00, and a self-calibration was performed on channel 2 at 27 degrees Celsius at 3:00 on the same day, this method returns 25 for the **temperature** parameter.

**Note:** This method is not supported on all devices. Refer to Supported Methods by Device for more information about supported devices.

#### Return type float

**Returns** Returns the onboard **temperature** of the device, in degrees Celsius, during the oldest successful calibration.

# import\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer

nidcpower.Session.import\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer(configuration)
Imports a property configuration to the session from the specified configuration buffer.

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers and the same number of configured channels.

## Support for this Method

Calling this method in Sequence Source Mode is unsupported.

# **Channel Mapping Behavior for Multichannel Sessions**

When importing and exporting session property configurations between NI-DCPower sessions that were initialized with different channels, the configurations of the exporting channels are mapped to the importing channels in the order you specify in the **channelName** input to the nidcpower. Session.\_\_init\_\_() method.

For example, if your entry for **channelName** is 0,1 for the exporting session and 1,2 for the importing session:

- The configuration exported from channel 0 is imported into channel 1.
- The configuration exported from channel 1 is imported into channel 2.

# **Related Topics:**

**Programming States** 

Using Properties and Properties

Setting Properties and Properties Before Reading Them

**Note:** This method will return an error if the total number of channels initialized for the exporting session is not equal to the total number of channels initialized for the importing session.

**Parameters configuration** (*bytes*) – Specifies the byte array buffer that contains the property configuration to import.

# import\_attribute\_configuration\_file

```
nidcpower.Session.import_attribute_configuration_file(file_path)
Imports a property configuration to the session from the specified file.
```

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers and the same number of configured channels.

## Support for this Method

Calling this method in Sequence Source Mode is unsupported.

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## **Related Topics:**

Programming States

Using Properties and Properties

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**Note:** This method will return an error if the total number of channels initialized for the exporting session is not equal to the total number of channels initialized for the importing session.

**Parameters file\_path** (*str*) – Specifies the absolute path to the file containing the property configuration to import. If you specify an empty or relative path, this method returns an error. **Default File Extension:** .nidcpowerconfig

# initiate

#### nidcpower.Session.initiate()

Starts generation or acquisition, causing the NI-DCPower session to leave the Uncommitted state or Committed state and enter the Running state. To return to the Uncommitted state call the *nidcpower.Session.abort()* method. Refer to the Programming States topic in the *NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help* for information about the specific NI-DCPower software states.

# **Related Topics:**

Programming States

**Note:** This method will return a Python context manager that will initiate on entering and abort on exit.

# lock

#### nidcpower.Session.lock()

Obtains a multithread lock on the device session. Before doing so, the software waits until all other execution threads release their locks on the device session.

Other threads may have obtained a lock on this session for the following reasons:

- The application called the *nidcpower*.Session.lock() method.
- A call to NI-DCPower locked the session.
- After a call to the *nidcpower*. *Session*. *lock*() method returns successfully, no other threads can access the device session until you call the *nidcpower*. *Session*.unlock() method or exit out of the with block when using lock context manager.

• Use the *nidcpower.Session.lock()* method and the *nidcpower.Session.unlock()* method around a sequence of calls to instrument driver methods if you require that the device retain its settings through the end of the sequence.

You can safely make nested calls to the *nidcpower*. *Session*. *lock*() method within the same thread. To completely unlock the session, you must balance each call to the *nidcpower*. *Session*. *lock*() method with a call to the *nidcpower*. *Session*. *unlock*() method.

One method for ensuring there are the same number of unlock method calls as there is lock calls is to use lock as a context manager

```
with nidcpower.Session('dev1') as session:
    with session.lock():
        # Calls to session within a single lock context
```

The first with block ensures the session is closed regardless of any exceptions raised

The second with block ensures that unlock is called regardless of any exceptions raised

Return type context manager

**Returns** When used in a *with* statement, *nidcpower.Session.lock()* acts as a context manager and unlock will be called when the *with* block is exited

#### measure

```
nidcpower.Session.measure(measurement_type)
```

Returns the measured value of either the voltage or current on the specified output channel. Each call to this method blocks other method calls until the hardware returns the **measurement**. To measure multiple output channels, use the *nidcpower.Session.measure\_multiple()* method.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters measurement\_type** (*nidcpower.MeasurementTypes*) – Specifies whether a voltage or current value is measured. **Defined Values**:

VOLTAGE (1)	The device measures voltage.
CURRENT (0)	The device measures current.

# Return type float

**Returns** Returns the value of the measurement, either in volts for voltage or amps for current.

# measure\_multiple

```
nidcpower.Session.measure_multiple()
```

Returns a list of named tuples (Measurement) containing the measured voltage and current values on the specified output channel(s). Each call to this method blocks other method calls until the measurements are returned from the device. The order of the measurements returned in the array corresponds to the order on the specified output channel(s).

Fields in Measurement:

- voltage (float)
- current (float)
- in\_compliance (bool) Always None

**Note:** This method is not supported on all devices. Refer to Supported Methods by Device for more information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

## Return type list of Measurement

## Returns

List of named tuples with fields:

- voltage (float)
- current (float)
- in\_compliance (bool) Always None

# query\_in\_compliance

```
nidcpower.Session.query_in_compliance()
```

Queries the specified output device to determine if it is operating at the compliance limit.

The compliance limit is the current limit when the output method is set to *DC\_VOLTAGE*. If the output is operating at the compliance limit, the output reaches the current limit before the desired voltage level. Refer to the nidcpower.Session.ConfigureOutputFunction() method and the nidcpower.Session.ConfigureCurrentLimit() method for more information about output method and current limit, respectively.

The compliance limit is the voltage limit when the output method is set to *DC\_CURRENT*. If the output is operating at the compliance limit, the output reaches the voltage limit before the desired current level. Refer to the nidcpower.Session.ConfigureOutputFunction() method and the nidcpower.Session.ConfigureVoltageLimit() method for more information about output method and voltage limit, respectively.

#### **Related Topics:**

Compliance

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### Return type bool

Returns Returns whether the device output channel is in compliance.

## query\_max\_current\_limit

nidcpower.Session.query\_max\_current\_limit(voltage\_level)

Queries the maximum current limit on an output channel if the output channel is set to the specified **voltageLevel**.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters voltage\_level** (*float*) – Specifies the voltage level to use when calculating the **maxCurrentLimit**.

Return type float

**Returns** Returns the maximum current limit that can be set with the specified voltageLevel.

## query\_max\_voltage\_level

nidcpower.Session.query\_max\_voltage\_level(current\_limit)

Queries the maximum voltage level on an output channel if the output channel is set to the specified **currentLimit**.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters current\_limit** (*float*) – Specifies the current limit to use when calculating the **maxVoltageLevel**.

Return type float

**Returns** Returns the maximum voltage level that can be set on an output channel with the specified **currentLimit**.

## query\_min\_current\_limit

nidcpower.Session.query\_min\_current\_limit(voltage\_level)

Queries the minimum current limit on an output channel if the output channel is set to the specified **voltageLevel**.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters voltage\_level** (*float*) – Specifies the voltage level to use when calculating the **minCurrentLimit**.

Return type float

**Returns** Returns the minimum current limit that can be set on an output channel with the specified **voltageLevel**.

## query\_output\_state

nidcpower.Session.query\_output\_state(output\_state)

Queries the specified output channel to determine if the output channel is currently in the state specified by **outputState**.

#### **Related Topics:**

Compliance

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters output\_state** (*nidcpower.OutputStates*) – Specifies the output state of the output channel that is being queried. **Defined Values**:

VOLTAGE (0)	The device maintains a constant voltage by adjusting the current.
CURRENT (1)	The device maintains a constant current by adjusting the voltage.

# Return type bool

**Returns** Returns whether the device output channel is in the specified output state.

#### read\_current\_temperature

```
nidcpower.Session.read_current_temperature()
```

Returns the current onboard temperature, in degrees Celsius, of the device.

#### Return type float

Returns Returns the onboard temperature, in degrees Celsius, of the device.

#### reset

#### nidcpower.Session.reset()

Resets the device to a known state. This method disables power generation, resets session properties to their default values, commits the session properties, and leaves the session in the Uncommitted state. Refer to the Programming States topic for more information about NI-DCPower software states.

#### reset\_device

nidcpower.Session.reset\_device()

Resets the device to a known state. The method disables power generation, resets session properties to their default values, clears errors such as overtemperature and unexpected loss of auxiliary power, commits the session properties, and leaves the session in the Uncommitted state. This method also performs a hard reset on the device and driver software. This method has the same functionality as using reset in Measurement & Automation Explorer. Refer to the Programming States topic for more information about NI-DCPower software states.

This will also open the output relay on devices that have an output relay.

# reset\_with\_defaults

```
nidcpower.Session.reset_with_defaults()
```

Resets the device to a known state. This method disables power generation, resets session properties to their default values, commits the session properties, and leaves the session in the Running state. In addition to exhibiting the behavior of the *nidcpower.Session.reset()* method, this method can assign user-defined default values for configurable properties from the IVI configuration.

#### self\_cal

#### nidcpower.Session.self\_cal()

Performs a self-calibration upon the specified channel(s).

This method disables the output, performs several internal calculations, and updates calibration values. The updated calibration values are written to the device hardware if the *nidcpower*. *Session.self\_calibration\_persistence* property is set to *WRITE\_TO\_EEPROM*. Refer to the *nidcpower*.*Session.self\_calibration\_persistence* property topic for more information about the settings for this property.

When calling *nidcpower*. *Session*. *self\_cal()* with the PXIe-4162/4163, specify all channels of your PXIe-4162/4163 with the channelName input. You cannot self-calibrate a subset of PXIe-4162/4163 channels.

Refer to the Self-Calibration topic for more information about this method.

#### **Related Topics:**

#### Self-Calibration

**Note:** This method is not supported on all devices. Refer to Supported Methods by Device for more information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

# self\_test

```
nidcpower.Session.self_test()
```

Performs the device self-test routine and returns the test result(s). Calling this method implicitly calls the *nidcpower*. *Session*. *reset* () method.

When calling *nidcpower.Session.self\_test()* with the PXIe-4162/4163, specify all channels of your PXIe-4162/4163 with the channels input of nidcpower.Session. \_\_init\_\_(). You cannot self test a subset of PXIe-4162/4163 channels.

Raises SelfTestError on self test failure. Properties on exception object:

- code failure code from driver
- · message status message from driver

Self-Test Code	Description
0	Self test passed.
1	Self test failed.

# send\_software\_edge\_trigger

nidcpower.Session.send\_software\_edge\_trigger(trigger)
Asserts the specified trigger. This method can override an external edge trigger.

# **Related Topics:**

#### Triggers

**Note:** This method is not supported on all devices. Refer to Supported Methods by Device for more information about supported devices.

**Parameters trigger** (*nidcpower*. *SendSoftwareEdgeTriggerType*) – Specifies which trigger to assert. **Defined Values:** 

NIDCPOWER_VAL_START_TRIGGER (1034)	Asserts the Start trigger.
NIDCPOWER_VAL_SOURCE_TRIGGER (1035)	Asserts the Source trigger.
NIDCPOWER_VAL_MEASURE_TRIGGER	Asserts the Measure trigger.
(1036)	
NIDCPOWER_VAL_SEQUENCE_ADVANCE_TRI	GASBerts the Sequence Ad-
(1037)	vance trigger.
NIDCPOWER_VAL_PULSE_TRIGGER (1053)	Asserts the Pulse trigger.
NIDCPOWER_VAL_SHUTDOWN_TRIGGER	Asserts the Shutdown trigger.
(1118)	

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

#### set\_sequence

nidcpower.Session.set\_sequence(values, source\_delays)

Configures a series of voltage or current outputs and corresponding source delays. The source mode must be set to Sequence for this method to take effect.

Refer to the Configuring the Source Unit topic in the *NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help* for more information about how to configure your device.

Use this method in the Uncommitted or Committed programming states. Refer to the Programming States topic in the *NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help* for more information about NI-DCPower programming states.

**Note:** This method is not supported on all devices. Refer to Supported Methods by Device for more information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

# Parameters

- **values** (*list of float*) Specifies the series of voltage levels or current levels, depending on the configured output method. **Valid values**: The valid values for this parameter are defined by the voltage level range or current level range.
- **source\_delays** (*list of float*) Specifies the source delay that follows the configuration of each value in the sequence. **Valid Values**: The valid values are between 0 and 167 seconds.

## unlock

nidcpower.Session.unlock()

Releases a lock that you acquired on an device session using *nidcpower.Session.lock()*. Refer to *nidcpower.Session.unlock()* for additional information on session locks.

# wait\_for\_event

nidcpower.Session.wait\_for\_event (event\_id, timeout=hightime.timedelta(seconds=10.0))
Waits until the device has generated the specified event.

The session monitors whether each type of event has occurred at least once since the last time this method or the *nidcpower.Session.initiate()* method were called. If an event has only

been generated once and you call this method successively, the method times out. Individual events must be generated between separate calls of this method.

Note: Refer to Supported Methods by Device for more information about supported devices.

# Parameters

• event\_id (*nidcpower.Event*) - Specifies which event to wait for. Defined Values:

NIDCPOWER_VAL_SOURCE_COMPLETE_EVE	NW aits for the Source Com-
(1030)	plete event.
NIDCPOWER_VAL_MEASURE_COMPLETE_EV	EWaits for the Measure Com-
(1031)	plete event.
NIDCPOWER_VAL_SEQUENCE_ITERATION_	Waites for the Sequence Itera-
(1032)	tion Complete event.
NIDCPOWER_VAL_SEQUENCE_ENGINE_DOM	EWaites for the Sequence En-
(1033)	gine Done event.
NIDCPOWER_VAL_PULSE_COMPLETE_EVEN	TWaits for the Pulse Complete
(1051)	event.
NIDCPOWER_VAL_READY_FOR_PULSE_TRI	Wairs_for the Ready for Pulse
(1052)	Trigger event.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

• timeout (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) – Specifies the maximum time allowed for this method to complete, in seconds. If the method does not complete within this time interval, NI-DCPower returns an error.

**Note:** When setting the timeout interval, ensure you take into account any triggers so that the timeout interval is long enough for your application.

## **Properties**

## active\_advanced\_sequence

nidcpower.Session.active\_advanced\_sequence Specifies the advanced sequence to configure or generate.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of

repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Active Advanced Sequence
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_ACTIVE\_ADVANCED\_SEQUENCE

### active\_advanced\_sequence\_step

nidcpower.Session.active\_advanced\_sequence\_step
Specifies the advanced sequence step to configure.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Active Advanced Sequence Step
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_ACTIVE\_ADVANCED\_SEQUENCE\_STEP

## actual\_power\_allocation

nidcpower.Session.actual\_power\_allocation

Returns the power, in watts, the device is sourcing on each active channel if the *nidcpower*. Session.power\_allocation\_mode property is set to AUTOMATIC or MANUAL.

Valid Values: [0, device per-channel maximum power]

Default Value: Refer to the Supported Properties by Device topic for the default value by device.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to the Supported Properties by Device topic for information about supported devices.

This property returns -1 when the nidcpower.Session.power\_allocation\_mode property is set to DISABLED.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Actual Power Allocation
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_ACTUAL\_POWER\_ALLOCATION

### aperture\_time

nidcpower.Session.aperture\_time

Specifies the measurement aperture time for the channel configuration. Aperture time is specified in the units set by the *nidcpower.Session.aperture\_time\_units* property. for information about supported devices. Refer to the Aperture Time topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about how to configure your measurements and for information about valid values. Default Value: 0.01666666 seconds

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Value
float
read-write
Yes
No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement: Aperture Time
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_APERTURE\_TIME

# aperture\_time\_units

nidcpower.Session.aperture\_time\_units

Specifies the units of the *nidcpower.Session.aperture\_time* property for the channel configuration. for information about supported devices. Refer to the Aperture Time topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about how to configure your measurements and for information about valid values. Default Value: *SECONDS* 

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ApertureTimeUnits
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement: Aperture Time Units
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_APERTURE\_TIME\_UNITS

### autorange

### nidcpower.Session.autorange

Specifies whether the hardware automatically selects the best range to measure the signal. Note the highest range the algorithm uses is dependent on the corresponding limit range property. The algorithm the hardware uses can be controlled using the *nidcpower.Session. autorange\_aperture\_time\_mode* property.

**Note:** Autoranging begins at module startup and remains active until the module is reconfigured or reset. This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement: Autorange
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_AUTORANGE

### autorange\_aperture\_time\_mode

#### nidcpower.Session.autorange\_aperture\_time\_mode

Specifies whether the aperture time used for the measurement autorange algorithm is determined automatically or customized using the *nidcpower.Session. autorange\_minimum\_aperture\_time* property.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.AutorangeApertureTimeMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Advanced:Autorange Aperture Time Mode
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_AUTORANGE\_APERTURE\_TIME\_MODE

### autorange\_behavior

nidcpower.Session.autorange\_behavior

Specifies the algorithm the hardware uses for measurement autoranging.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.AutorangeBehavior
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Advanced:Autorange Behavior
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_AUTORANGE\_BEHAVIOR

### autorange\_minimum\_aperture\_time

#### nidcpower.Session.autorange\_minimum\_aperture\_time

Specifies the measurement autorange aperture time used for the measurement autorange algorithm. The aperture time is specified in the units set by the *nidcpower.Session. autorange\_minimum\_aperture\_time\_units* property. This value will typically be smaller than the aperture time used for measurements. **Note:** For smaller ranges, the value is scaled up to account for noise. The factor used to scale the value is derived from the module capabilities. This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Advanced:Autorange Minimum Aperture Time
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_AUTORANGE\_MINIMUM\_APERTURE\_TIME

## autorange\_minimum\_aperture\_time\_units

nidcpower.Session.autorange\_minimum\_aperture\_time\_units
Specifies the units of the nidcpower.Session.autorange\_minimum\_aperture\_time
property.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ApertureTimeUnits
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Advanced:Autorange Minimum Aperture Time Units
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_AUTORANGE\_MINIMUM\_APERTURE\_TIME\_UNITS

### autorange\_minimum\_current\_range

nidcpower.Session.autorange\_minimum\_current\_range

Specifies the lowest range used during measurement autoranging. Limiting the lowest range used during autoranging can improve the speed of the autoranging algorithm and minimize frequent and unpredictable range changes for noisy signals.

**Note:** The maximum range used is the range that includes the value specified in the compliance limit property, *nidcpower*. *Session.voltage\_limit\_range* property or *nidcpower*. *Session.current\_limit\_range* property, depending on the selected *nidcpower*. *Session.output\_function*. This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Advanced:Autorange Minimum Current Range
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_AUTORANGE\_MINIMUM\_CURRENT\_RANGE

### autorange\_minimum\_voltage\_range

```
nidcpower.Session.autorange_minimum_voltage_range
```

Specifies the lowest range used during measurement autoranging. The maximum range used is range that includes the value specified in the compliance limit property. Limiting the lowest range used during autoranging can improve the speed of the autoranging algorithm and/or minimize thrashing between ranges for noisy signals.

**Note:** The maximum range used is the range that includes the value specified in the compliance limit property, *nidcpower*. *Session.voltage\_limit\_range* property or *nidcpower*. *Session.current\_limit\_range* property, depending on the selected *nidcpower*. *Session.output\_function*. This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement: Advanced: Autorange Minimum Voltage Range
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_AUTORANGE\_MINIMUM\_VOLTAGE\_RANGE

## autorange\_threshold\_mode

nidcpower.Session.autorange\_threshold\_mode

Specifies thresholds used during autoranging to determine when range changing occurs.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.AutorangeThresholdMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Advanced:Autorange Threshold Mode
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_AUTORANGE\_THRESHOLD\_MODE

### auto\_zero

### nidcpower.Session.auto\_zero

Specifies the auto-zero method to use on the device. Refer to the NI PXI-4132 Measurement Configuration and Timing and Auto Zero topics for more information about how to configure your measurements. Default Value: The default value for the NI PXI-4132 is *ON*. The default value for all other devices is *OFF*, which is the only supported value for these devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.AutoZero
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement: Auto Zero
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_AUTO\_ZERO

### auxiliary\_power\_source\_available

### nidcpower.Session.auxiliary\_power\_source\_available

Indicates whether an auxiliary power source is connected to the device. A value of False may indicate that the auxiliary input fuse has blown. Refer to the Detecting Internal/Auxiliary Power topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about internal and auxiliary power. power source to generate power. Use the *nidcpower.Session.power\_source\_in\_use* property to retrieve this information.

Note: This property does not necessarily indicate if the device is using the auxiliary

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of

repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Advanced: Auxiliary Power Source Available
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_AUXILIARY\_POWER\_SOURCE\_AVAILABLE

## channel\_count

nidcpower.Session.channel\_count

Indicates the number of channels that NI-DCPower supports for the instrument that was chosen when the current session was opened. For channel-based properties, the IVI engine maintains a separate cache value for each channel.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Capabilities:Channel Count
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CHANNEL\_COUNT

### compliance\_limit\_symmetry

nidcpower.Session.compliance\_limit\_symmetry

Specifies whether compliance limits for current generation and voltage generation for the device are applied symmetrically about 0 V and 0 A or asymmetrically with respect to 0 V and 0 A. When set to **Symmetric**, voltage limits and current limits are set using a single property with a positive value. The resulting range is bounded by this positive value and its opposite. When set to **Asymmetric**, you must separately set a limit high and a limit low using distinct properties. For asymmetric limits, the range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. **Default Value:** Symmetric **Related Topics:** Compliance Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

Note: Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ComplianceLimitSymmetry
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Compliance Limit Symmetry
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_COMPLIANCE\_LIMIT\_SYMMETRY

### current\_compensation\_frequency

#### nidcpower.Session.current\_compensation\_frequency

The frequency at which a pole-zero pair is added to the system when the channel is in Constant Current mode. for information about supported devices. Default Value: Determined by the value of the *NORMAL* setting of the *nidcpower*. Session.transient\_response property.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Custom Transient Response:Current:Compensation Frequency
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_COMPENSATION\_FREQUENCY

# current\_gain\_bandwidth

nidcpower.Session.current\_gain\_bandwidth

The frequency at which the unloaded loop gain extrapolates to 0 dB in the absence of additional poles and zeroes. This property takes effect when the channel is in Constant Current mode. for information about supported devices. Default Value: Determined by the value of the *NORMAL* setting of the *nidcpower.Session.transient\_response* property.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Custom Transient Response:Current:Gain Bandwidth
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_GAIN\_BANDWIDTH

# current\_level

nidcpower.Session.current\_level

Specifies the current level, in amps, that the device attempts to generate on the specified channel(s). This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower*.*Session.output\_function* property is set to *DC\_CURRENT*. *nidcpower*.*Session.output\_enabled* property for more information about enabling the output channel. Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values to which the *nidcpower*.*Session.current\_level\_range* property is set.

Note: The channel must be enabled for the specified current level to take effect. Refer to the

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Current:Current Level
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_LEVEL

## current\_level\_autorange

### nidcpower.Session.current\_level\_autorange

Specifies whether NI-DCPower automatically selects the current level range based on the desired current level for the specified channels. If you set this property to *ON*, NI-DCPower ignores any changes you make to the *nidcpower.Session.current\_level\_range* property. If you change the *nidcpower.Session.current\_level\_autorange* property from *ON* to *OFF*, NI-DCPower retains the last value the *nidcpower.Session.current\_level\_range* property was set to (or the default value if the property was never set) and uses that value as the current level range. Query the *nidcpower.Session.current\_level\_range* property by using the nidcpower.Session.get\_attribute\_vi\_int32() method for information about which range NI-DCPower automatically selects. The *nidcpower.Session.current\_level\_autorange* property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *DC\_CURRENT*. Default Value: *OFF* 

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Current:Current Level Autorange
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_LEVEL\_AUTORANGE

### current\_level\_range

nidcpower.Session.current\_level\_range

Specifies the current level range, in amps, for the specified channel(s). The range defines the valid value to which the current level can be set. Use the *nidcpower.Session.current\_level\_autorange* property to enable automatic selection of the current level range. The *nidcpower.Session.current\_level\_range* property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *DC\_CURRENT.nidcpower.Session.output\_enabled* property for more information about enabling the output channel. For valid ranges, refer to the Ranges topic for your device in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help.

Note: The channel must be enabled for the specified current level range to take effect. Refer to the

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Current:Current Level Range
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_LEVEL\_RANGE

## current\_limit

nidcpower.Session.current\_limit

Specifies the current limit, in amps, that the output cannot exceed when generating the desired voltage level on the specified channel(s). This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower*. Session.output\_function property is set to *DC\_VOLTAGE* and the *nidcpower*. Session.compliance\_limit\_symmetry property is set to *SYMMETRIC*. *nidcpower*. Session.output\_enabled property for more information about enabling the output channel.

Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values to which *nidcpower*. *Session.current\_limit\_range* property is set.

Note: The channel must be enabled for the specified current limit to take effect. Refer to the

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Voltage:Current Limit
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_LIMIT

## current\_limit\_autorange

nidcpower.Session.current\_limit\_autorange

Specifies whether NI-DCPower automatically selects the current limit range based on the desired current limit for the specified channel(s). If you set this property to ON, NI-DCPower ignores any changes you make to the *nidcpower.Session.current\_limit\_range* property. If you change this property from ON to OFF, NI-DCPower retains the last value the *nidcpower.Session.current\_limit\_range* property was set to (or the default value if the property was never set) and uses that value as the current limit range. Query the *nidcpower.Session.current\_limit\_range* property by using the nidcpower. Session.\_get\_attribute\_vi\_int32() method for information about which range NI-DCPower automatically selects. The *nidcpower.Session.current\_limit\_autorange* property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *DC\_VOLTAGE*. Default Value: OFF

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Voltage:Current Limit Autorange
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_AUTORANGE

## current\_limit\_behavior

nidcpower.Session.current\_limit\_behavior

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_BEHAVIOR

### current\_limit\_high

### nidcpower.Session.current\_limit\_high

Specifies the maximum current, in amps, that the output can produce when generating the desired voltage on the specified channel(s). This property is applicable only if the Compliance Limit Symmetry <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry.html>'\_\_ property is set to **Asymmetric** and the *Output Method* <*p*:*py:meth:* '*nidcpower*.*Session.OutputFunction*.html>' DC Voltage. property is set to You must also specify а Current <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.CurrentLimitLow.html>'\_\_\_\_ Limit Low to com-Valid Values: [1% of *Current Limit* plete the asymmetric range. Range <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.CurrentLimitRange.html>'\_\_, Current Limit Range py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.CurrentLimitRange.html>'\_\_] The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. **Default Value:** Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. **Related Topics:** Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

**Note:** The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the *Overranging Enabled* <*p:py:meth:'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.*html>'\_\_ property is set to TRUE.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Voltage:Current Limit High
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_HIGH

## current\_limit\_low

nidcpower.Session.current\_limit\_low

Specifies the minimum current, in amps, that the output can produce when generating the desired voltage on the specified channel(s). This property is applicable only if the Compliance Limit Symmetry <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry.html>' property is set to **Asymmetric** and the *Output Method* <*p*:*p*:*meth*: '*nidcpower*.Session.OutputFunction.html>'\_\_\_\_ property is set to **DC** Voltage. You must also specify а Current Limit High <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.CurrentLimitHigh.html>'\_\_\_\_ to com-Valid Values: plete the asymmetric range. [-Current Limit Range cp:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.CurrentLimitRange.html>'\_\_\_, -1% of Current Limit Range cp:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.CurrentLimitRange.html>'\_\_] The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. Default Value: Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. Related Topics: Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

**Note:** The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the *Overranging Enabled* <*p:py:meth:'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.*html>'\_\_ property is set to TRUE.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Voltage:Current Limit Low
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_LOW

### current\_limit\_range

nidcpower.Session.current\_limit\_range

Specifies the current limit range, in amps, for the specified channel(s). The range defines the valid value to which the current limit can be set. Use the *nidcpower.Session.current\_limit\_autorange* property to enable automatic selection of the current limit range. The *nidcpower.Session.current\_limit\_range* property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *DC\_VOLTAGE.nidcpower.Session.output\_enabled* property for more information about enabling the output channel. For valid ranges, refer to the Ranges topic for your device in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help.

Note: The channel must be enabled for the specified current limit to take effect. Refer to the

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Voltage:Current Limit Range
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_RANGE

### current\_pole\_zero\_ratio

#### nidcpower.Session.current\_pole\_zero\_ratio

The ratio of the pole frequency to the zero frequency when the channel is in Constant Current mode. for information about supported devices. Default Value: Determined by the value of the *NORMAL* setting of the *nidcpower*.*Session.transient\_response* property.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Custom Transient Response:Current:Pole-Zero Ratio
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_POLE\_ZERO\_RATIO

### dc\_noise\_rejection

nidcpower.Session.dc\_noise\_rejection

Determines the relative weighting of samples in a measurement. Refer to the NI PXIe-4140/4141 DC Noise Rejection, NI PXIe-4142/4143 DC Noise Rejection, or NI PXIe-4144/4145 DC Noise

Rejection topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about noise rejection. for information about supported devices. Default Value: *NORMAL* 

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.DCNoiseRejection
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement: Advanced: DC Noise Rejection
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_DC\_NOISE\_REJECTION

## digital\_edge\_measure\_trigger\_input\_terminal

nidcpower.Session.digital\_edge\_measure\_trigger\_input\_terminal

Specifies the input terminal for the Measure trigger. This property is used only when the *nidcpower.Session.measure\_trigger\_type* property is set to *DIGITAL\_EDGE*. for this property. You can specify any valid input terminal for this property. Valid terminals are listed in Measurement & Automation Explorer under the Device Routes tab. Input terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0. The input terminal can also be a terminal from another device. For example, you can set the input terminal on Dev1 to be /Dev2/SourceCompleteEvent.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Measure Trigger:Digital Edge:Input Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_MEASURE\_TRIGGER\_INPUT\_TERMINAL

# digital\_edge\_pulse\_trigger\_input\_terminal

### nidcpower.Session.digital\_edge\_pulse\_trigger\_input\_terminal

Specifies the input terminal for the Pulse trigger. This property is used only when the *nidcpower*. *Session.pulse\_trigger\_type* property is set to digital edge. You can specify any valid input terminal for this property. Valid terminals are listed in Measurement & Automation Explorer under the Device Routes tab. Input terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0. The input terminal can also be a terminal from another device. For example, you can set the input terminal on Dev1 to be /Dev2/SourceCompleteEvent.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Pulse Trigger:Digital Edge:Input Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_PULSE\_TRIGGER\_INPUT\_TERMINAL

# digital\_edge\_sequence\_advance\_trigger\_input\_terminal

nidcpower.Session.digital\_edge\_sequence\_advance\_trigger\_input\_terminal Specifies the input terminal for the Sequence Advance trigger. Use this property only when the nidcpower.Session.sequence\_advance\_trigger\_type property is set to DIGITAL\_EDGE. the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for information about supported devices. You can specify any valid input terminal for this property. Valid terminals are listed in Measurement & Automation Explorer under the Device Routes tab. Input terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0. The input terminal can also be a terminal from another device. For example, you can set the input terminal on Dev1 to be /Dev2/SourceCompleteEvent.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic in

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Sequence Advance Trigger:Digital Edge:Input Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_SEQUENCE\_ADVANCE\_TRIGGER\_INPUT\_TERMINA

## digital\_edge\_shutdown\_trigger\_input\_terminal

nidcpower.Session.digital\_edge\_shutdown\_trigger\_input\_terminal

Specifies the input terminal for the Shutdown trigger. This property is used only when the *nidcpower.Session.shutdown\_trigger\_type* property is set to digital edge. You can specify any valid input terminal for this property. Valid terminals are listed in Measurement & Automation Explorer under the Device Routes tab. Input terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0. The input terminal can also be a terminal from another device. For example, you can set the input terminal on Dev1 to be /Dev2/SourceCompleteEvent.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Shutdown Trigger:Digital Edge:Input Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_SHUTDOWN\_TRIGGER\_INPUT\_TERMINAL

# digital\_edge\_source\_trigger\_input\_terminal

nidcpower.Session.digital\_edge\_source\_trigger\_input\_terminal

Specifies the input terminal for the Source trigger. Use this property only when the *nidcpower*. *Session.source\_trigger\_type* property is set to *DIGITAL\_EDGE*. for information about supported devices. You can specify any valid input terminal for this property. Valid terminals are listed in Measurement & Automation Explorer under the Device Routes tab. Input terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0. The input terminal can also be a terminal from another device. For example, you can set the input terminal on Dev1 to be /Dev2/SourceCompleteEvent.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Source Trigger:Digital Edge:Input Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_SOURCE\_TRIGGER\_INPUT\_TERMINAL

# digital\_edge\_start\_trigger\_input\_terminal

### nidcpower.Session.digital\_edge\_start\_trigger\_input\_terminal

Specifies the input terminal for the Start trigger. Use this property only when the *nidcpower*. *Session.start\_trigger\_type* property is set to *DIGITAL\_EDGE*. for information about supported devices. You can specify any valid input terminal for this property. Valid terminals are listed in Measurement & Automation Explorer under the Device Routes tab. Input terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0. The input terminal can also be a terminal from another device. For example, you can set the input terminal on Dev1 to be /Dev2/SourceCompleteEvent.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Start Trigger:Digital Edge:Input Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_START\_TRIGGER\_INPUT\_TERMINAL

## driver\_setup

### nidcpower.Session.driver\_setup

Indicates the Driver Setup string that you specified when initializing the driver. Some cases exist where you must specify the instrument driver options at initialization time. An example of this case is specifying a particular device model from among a family of devices that the driver supports. This property is useful when simulating a device. You can specify the driver-specific options through the DriverSetup keyword in the optionsString parameter in the nidcpower.Session. \_\_init\_\_() method or through the IVI Configuration Utility. You can specify driver-specific options through the DriverSetup keyword in the optionsString parameter in the nidcpower.Session.\_\_init\_\_() method. If you do not specify a Driver Setup string, this property returns an empty string.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Advanced Session Information:Driver Setup
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_DRIVER\_SETUP

## exported\_measure\_trigger\_output\_terminal

### nidcpower.Session.exported\_measure\_trigger\_output\_terminal

Specifies the output terminal for exporting the Measure trigger. Refer to the Device Routes tab in Measurement & Automation Explorer for a list of the terminals available on your device. for information about supported devices. Output terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Measure Trigger:Export Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_MEASURE\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## exported\_pulse\_trigger\_output\_terminal

#### nidcpower.Session.exported\_pulse\_trigger\_output\_terminal

Specifies the output terminal for exporting the Pulse trigger. Refer to the Device Routes tab in Measurement & Automation Explorer for a list of the terminals available on your device. Output terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Pulse Trigger:Export Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_PULSE\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

# exported\_sequence\_advance\_trigger\_output\_terminal

### nidcpower.Session.exported\_sequence\_advance\_trigger\_output\_terminal

Specifies the output terminal for exporting the Sequence Advance trigger. Refer to the Device Routes tab in Measurement & Automation Explorer for a list of the terminals available on your device. for information about supported devices. Output terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Sequence Advance Trigger:Export Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_SEQUENCE\_ADVANCE\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## exported\_source\_trigger\_output\_terminal

nidcpower.Session.exported\_source\_trigger\_output\_terminal

Specifies the output terminal for exporting the Source trigger. Refer to the Device Routes tab in MAX for a list of the terminals available on your device. for information about supported devices. Output terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Source Trigger:Export Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_SOURCE\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## exported\_start\_trigger\_output\_terminal

### nidcpower.Session.exported\_start\_trigger\_output\_terminal

Specifies the output terminal for exporting the Start trigger. Refer to the Device Routes tab in Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX) for a list of the terminals available on your device. Output terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0. for information about supported devices.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Start Trigger:Export Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_START\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## fetch\_backlog

nidcpower.Session.fetch\_backlog

Returns the number of measurements acquired that have not been fetched yet.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Fetch Backlog
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_FETCH\_BACKLOG

## instrument\_firmware\_revision

#### nidcpower.Session.instrument\_firmware\_revision

Contains the firmware revision information for the device you are currently using.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Firmware Revision

• C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_FIRMWARE\_REVISION

### instrument\_manufacturer

nidcpower.Session.instrument\_manufacturer

Contains the name of the manufacturer for the device you are currently using.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Manufacturer
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MANUFACTURER

### instrument\_model

#### nidcpower.Session.instrument\_model

Contains the model number or name of the device that you are currently using.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Model
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MODEL

## interlock\_input\_open

nidcpower.Session.interlock\_input\_open Indicates whether the safety interlock circuit is open. Refer to the Safety Interlock topic in the NI

DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about the safety interlock circuit. about supported devices.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Advanced:Interlock Input Open
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_INTERLOCK\_INPUT\_OPEN

## io\_resource\_descriptor

nidcpower.Session.io\_resource\_descriptor

Indicates the resource descriptor NI-DCPower uses to identify the physical device. If you initialize NI-DCPower with a logical name, this property contains the resource descriptor that corresponds to the entry in the IVI Configuration utility. If you initialize NI-DCPower with the resource descriptor, this property contains that value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes: Advanced Session Information: Resource Descriptor
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_IO\_RESOURCE\_DESCRIPTOR

## logical\_name

nidcpower.Session.logical\_name

Contains the logical name you specified when opening the current IVI session. You can pass a logical name to the nidcpower.Session.\_\_\_init\_\_\_() method. The IVI Configuration utility must contain an entry for the logical name. The logical name entry refers to a method section in the IVI Configuration file. The method section specifies a physical device and initial user options.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes: Advanced Session Information: Logical Name
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_LOGICAL\_NAME

## measure\_buffer\_size

### nidcpower.Session.measure\_buffer\_size

Specifies the number of samples that the active channel measurement buffer can hold. The default value is the maximum number of samples that a device is capable of recording in one second. for information about supported devices. Valid Values: 1000 to 2147483647 Default Value: Varies by device. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about default values.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Advanced:Measure Buffer Size
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_MEASURE\_BUFFER\_SIZE

## measure\_complete\_event\_delay

### nidcpower.Session.measure\_complete\_event\_delay

Specifies the amount of time to delay the generation of the Measure Complete event, in seconds. for information about supported devices. Valid Values: 0 to 167 seconds Default Value: The NI PXI-4132 and NI PXIe-4140/4141/4142/4143/4144/4145/4154 supports values from 0 seconds to 167 seconds.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Measure Complete Event:Event Delay
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_MEASURE\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_DELAY

### measure\_complete\_event\_output\_terminal

nidcpower.Session.measure\_complete\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the output terminal for exporting the Measure Complete event. for information about supported devices. Output terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of

repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Measure Complete Event:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_MEASURE\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

### measure\_complete\_event\_pulse\_polarity

### nidcpower.Session.measure\_complete\_event\_pulse\_polarity

Specifies the behavior of the Measure Complete event. for information about supported devices. Default Value: *HIGH* 

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.Polarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Measure Complete Event:Pulse:Polarity
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_MEASURE\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_PULSE\_POLARITY

## measure\_complete\_event\_pulse\_width

nidcpower.Session.measure\_complete\_event\_pulse\_width

Specifies the width of the Measure Complete event, in seconds. The minimum event pulse width value for PXI devices is 150 ns, and the minimum event pulse width value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns. The maximum event pulse width value for all devices is 1.6 microseconds. for information about supported devices. Valid Values: 1.5e-7 to 1.6e-6 Default Value: The default value for PXI devices is 150 ns. The default value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Measure Complete Event:Pulse:Width
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_MEASURE\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_PULSE\_WIDTH

## measure\_record\_delta\_time

nidcpower.Session.measure\_record\_delta\_time

Queries the amount of time, in seconds, between between the start of two consecutive measurements in a measure record. Only query this property after the desired measurement settings are committed. for information about supported devices. two measurements and the rest would differ.

**Note:** This property is not available when Auto Zero is configured to Once because the amount of time between the first

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Measure Record Delta Time
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_MEASURE\_RECORD\_DELTA\_TIME

#### measure\_record\_length

#### nidcpower.Session.measure\_record\_length

Specifies how many measurements compose a measure record. When this property is set to a value greater than 1, the *nidcpower.Session.measure\_when* property must be set to *AUTOMATICALLY\_AFTER\_SOURCE\_COMPLETE* or *ON\_MEASURE\_TRIGGER*. for information about supported devices. Valid Values: 1 to 16,777,216 Default Value: 1

Note: This property is not available in a session involving multiple channels.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Measure Record Length
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_MEASURE\_RECORD\_LENGTH

### measure\_record\_length\_is\_finite

nidcpower.Session.measure\_record\_length\_is\_finite
 Specifies whether to take continuous measurements. Call the nidcpower.Session.abort()

method to stop continuous measurements. When this property is set to False and the *nidcpower*. Session.source\_mode property is set to SINGLE\_POINT, the *nidcpower*.Session. measure\_when property must be set to AUTOMATICALLY\_AFTER\_SOURCE\_COMPLETE or ON\_MEASURE\_TRIGGER. When this property is set to False and the *nidcpower*.Session. source\_mode property is set to SEQUENCE, the *nidcpower*.Session.measure\_when property must be set to ON\_MEASURE\_TRIGGER. for information about supported devices. Default Value: True

Note: This property is not available in a session involving multiple channels.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Measure Record Length Is Finite
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_MEASURE\_RECORD\_LENGTH\_IS\_FINITE

# measure\_trigger\_type

nidcpower.Session.measure\_trigger\_type

Specifies the behavior of the Measure trigger. for information about supported devices. Default Value: *DIGITAL\_EDGE* 

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value	
Datatype	enums.TriggerType	
Permissions	read-write	
Channel Based	Yes	
Resettable	No	

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Measure Trigger:Trigger Type
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_MEASURE\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

### measure\_when

nidcpower.Session.measure\_when

Specifies when the measure unit should acquire measurements. Unless this property is configured to ON\_MEASURE\_TRIGGER, the nidcpower.Session.measure\_trigger\_type property is ignored. Refer to the Acquiring Measurements topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about how to configure your measurements. Default Value: If the nidcpower.Session.source\_mode property is set to SINGLE\_POINT, the default value is ON\_DEMAND. This value supports only the nidcpower.Session. measure() method and nidcpower.Session.measure\_multiple() method. If the nidcpower.Session.source\_mode property is set to SEQUENCE, the default value is AUTOMATICALLY\_AFTER\_SOURCE\_COMPLETE. This value supports only the nidcpower. Session.fetch\_multiple() method.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.MeasureWhen
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Advanced:Measure When
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_MEASURE\_WHEN

# merged\_channels

#### nidcpower.Session.merged\_channels

Specifies the channel(s) to merge with a designated primary channel of an SMU in order to increase the maximum current you can source from the SMU. This property designates the merge channels to combine with a primary channel. To designate the primary channel, initialize the session to the primary channel only. Note: You cannot change the merge configuration with this property when the session is in the Running state. For complete information on using merged channels with this property, refer to Merged Channels in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices. Devices that do not support this property behave as if no channels were merged. Default Value: Refer to the Supported Properties by Device topic for the default value by device.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Merged Channels
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_MERGED\_CHANNELS

# output\_capacitance

nidcpower.Session.output\_capacitance

Specifies whether to use a low or high capacitance on the output for the specified channel(s). for information about supported devices. Refer to the NI PXI-4130 Output Capacitance Selection topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about capacitance.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of

repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.OutputCapacitance
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Output Capacitance
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_CAPACITANCE

### output\_connected

### nidcpower.Session.output\_connected

Specifies whether the output relay is connected (closed) or disconnected (open). The *nidcpower*. Session.output\_enabled property does not change based on this property; they are independent of each other. about supported devices. Set this property to False to disconnect the output terminal from the output. to the output terminal might discharge unless the relay is disconnected. Excessive connecting and disconnecting of the output can cause premature wear on the relay. Default Value: True

**Note:** Only disconnect the output when disconnecting is necessary for your application. For example, a battery connected

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Output Connected
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_CONNECTED

# output\_enabled

#### nidcpower.Session.output\_enabled

Specifies whether the output is enabled (True) or disabled (False). Depending on the value you specify for the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property, you also must set the voltage level or current level in addition to enabling the output the *nidcpower.Session.initiate()* method. Refer to the Programming States topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about NI-DCPower programming states. Default Value: The default value is True if you use the nidcpower.Session.\_\_\_\_\_() method to open the session. Otherwise the default value is False, including when you use a calibration session or the deprecated programming model.

**Note:** If the session is in the Committed or Uncommitted states, enabling the output does not take effect until you call

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Output Enabled
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_ENABLED

#### output\_function

#### nidcpower.Session.output\_function

 the output voltage is below the voltage limit. You can use the following properties to configure the channel when *DC\_CURRENT* is selected: *nidcpower.Session. current\_level nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit nidcpower.Session. voltage\_limit\_high nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit\_low nidcpower. Session.current\_level\_range nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit\_range nidcpower.Session.compliance\_limit\_symmetry* 

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.OutputFunction
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Output Function
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_FUNCTION

# output\_resistance

nidcpower.Session.output\_resistance

Specifies the output resistance that the device attempts to generate for the specified channel(s). This property is available only when you set the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property on a support device. Refer to a supported device's topic about output resistance for more information about selecting an output resistance. about supported devices. Default Value: 0.0

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic for information

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Output Resistance
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_RESISTANCE

### overranging\_enabled

#### nidcpower.Session.overranging\_enabled

Specifies whether NI-DCPower allows setting the voltage level, current level, voltage limit and current limit outside the device specification limits. True means that overranging is enabled. Refer to the Ranges topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about overranging. Default Value: False

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Overranging Enabled
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_OVERRANGING\_ENABLED

### ovp\_enabled

nidcpower.Session.ovp\_enabled

Enables (True) or disables (False) overvoltage protection (OVP). Refer to the Output Overvoltage Protection topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about overvoltage protection. for information about supported devices. Default Value: False

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:OVP Enabled
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_OVP\_ENABLED

### ovp\_limit

```
nidcpower.Session.ovp_limit
```

Determines the voltage limit, in volts, beyond which overvoltage protection (OVP) engages. for information about supported devices. Valid Values: 2 V to 210 V Default Value: 210 V

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:OVP Limit

### • C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_OVP\_LIMIT

#### power\_allocation\_mode

#### nidcpower.Session.power\_allocation\_mode

Determines whether the device sources the power its source configuration requires or a specific wattage you request; determines whether NI-DCPower proactively checks that this sourcing power is within the maximum per-channel and overall sourcing power of the device.

When this property configures NI-DCPower to perform a sourcing power check, a device is not permitted to source power in excess of its maximum per-channel or overall sourcing power. If the check determines a source configuration or power request would require the device to do so, NI-DCPower returns an error.

When this property does not configure NI-DCPower to perform a sourcing power check, a device can attempt to fulfill source configurations that would require it to source power in excess of its maximum per-channel or overall sourcing power and may shut down to prevent damage.

Default Value: Refer to the Supported Properties by Device topic for the default value by device.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to the Supported Properties by Device topic for information about supported devices. Devices that do not support this property behave as if this property were set to *DISABLED*.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.PowerAllocationMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Power Allocation Mode
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_POWER\_ALLOCATION\_MODE

# power\_line\_frequency

```
nidcpower.Session.power_line_frequency
```

Specifies the power line frequency for specified channel(s). NI-DCPower uses this value to select a

timebase for setting the *nidcpower*. *Session.aperture\_time* property in power line cycles (PLCs). in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for information about supported devices. Default Value: NIDCPOWER\_VAL\_60\_HERTZ

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to the Supported Properties by Device topic

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement: Power Line Frequency
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_POWER\_LINE\_FREQUENCY

### power\_source

### nidcpower.Session.power\_source

Specifies the power source to use. NI-DCPower switches the power source used by the device to the specified value. Default Value: *AUTOMATIC* is set to *AUTOMATIC*. However, if the session is in the Committed or Uncommitted state when you set this property, the power source selection only occurs after you call the *nidcpower.Session.initiate()* method.

**Note:** Automatic selection is not persistent and occurs only at the time this property

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.PowerSource
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Advanced:Power Source
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_POWER\_SOURCE

#### power\_source\_in\_use

#### nidcpower.Session.power\_source\_in\_use

Indicates whether the device is using the internal or auxiliary power source to generate power.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.PowerSourceInUse
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Advanced:Power Source In Use
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_POWER\_SOURCE\_IN\_USE

# pulse\_bias\_current\_level

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_bias\_current\_level

Specifies the pulse bias current level, in amps, that the device attempts to generate on the specified channel(s) during the off phase of a pulse. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower*. *Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_CURRENT*. Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values you specify for the *nidcpower*.*Session*. *pulse\_current\_level\_range* property.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of

repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Current:Pulse Bias Current Level
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_BIAS\_CURRENT\_LEVEL

### pulse\_bias\_current\_limit

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_bias\_current\_limit

Specifies the pulse bias current limit, in amps, that the output cannot exceed when generating the desired pulse bias voltage on the specified channel(s) during the off phase of a pulse. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_VOLTAGE*. Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values you specify for the *nidcpower.Session.pulse\_current\_limit\_range* property.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Voltage:Pulse Bias Current Limit
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_BIAS\_CURRENT\_LIMIT

### pulse\_bias\_current\_limit\_high

#### nidcpower.Session.pulse\_bias\_current\_limit\_high

Specifies the maximum current, in amps, that the output can produce when generating the desired pulse voltage on the specified channel(s) during the *off* phase of a pulse. This property is applicable only if the *Compliance Limit Symmetry <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry*.html>'\_\_ property is set to **Asymmetric** and the *Output Method <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction*.html>'\_\_ property is set to **Pulse Voltage**. You must also specify a *Pulse Bias Current Limit Low <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseBiasCurrentLimitLow*.html>'\_\_ to complete the asymmetric range. **Valid Values:** [1% of *Pulse Current Limit Range <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseCurrentLimitRange*.html>'\_\_ The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. **Default Value:** Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. **Related Topics:** Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

**Note:** The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the *Overranging Enabled* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.*html>'\_\_ property is set to TRUE or if the *Output Method* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction.*html>'\_\_ property is set to a pulsing method.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Voltage:Pulse Bias Current Limit High
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_BIAS\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_HIGH

# pulse\_bias\_current\_limit\_low

#### nidcpower.Session.pulse\_bias\_current\_limit\_low

Specifies the minimum current, in amps, that the output can produce when generating the desired pulse voltage on the specified channel(s) during the *off* phase

This property is applicable only if the Compliance Limit Symmetry of a pulse. py:meth:'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry.html>'\_\_\_ property is set to Asym**metric** and the *Output Method* <*p*:*py*:*meth*: '*nidcpower*.Session.OutputFunction.html>' property is set to **Pulse Voltage**. You must also specify a Pulse Bias Current Limit High <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseBiasCurrentLimitHigh.html>' to complete the asymmetric range. Valid Values: [-Pulse Current Limit Range cp:py:meth:'nidcpower.Session.PulseCurrentLimitRange.html>'\_\_, -1% of Pulse Current Limit *Range* <*p*:*py*:*meth*: '*nidcpower*.Session.PulseCurrentLimitRange.html>'] The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. **Default Value:** Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. Related Topics: Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

**Note:** The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the *Overranging Enabled* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.*html>'\_\_ property is set to TRUE or if the *Output Method* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction.*html>'\_\_ property is set to a pulsing method.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Voltage:Pulse Bias Current Limit Low
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_BIAS\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_LOW

# pulse\_bias\_delay

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_bias\_delay

Determines when, in seconds, the device generates the Pulse Complete event after generating the off level of a pulse. Valid Values: 0 to 167 seconds Default Value: 16.67 milliseconds

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Pulse Bias Delay
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_BIAS\_DELAY

# pulse\_bias\_voltage\_level

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_bias\_voltage\_level

Specifies the pulse bias voltage level, in volts, that the device attempts to generate on the specified channel(s) during the off phase of a pulse. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower*. *Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_VOLTAGE*. Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values you specify for the *nidcpower*.*Session*. *pulse\_voltage\_level\_range* property.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Voltage:Pulse Bias Voltage Level
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_BIAS\_VOLTAGE\_LEVEL

# pulse\_bias\_voltage\_limit

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_bias\_voltage\_limit

Specifies the pulse voltage limit, in volts, that the output cannot exceed when generating the desired current on the specified channel(s) during the off phase of a pulse. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_CURRENT*. Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values you specify for the *nidcpower.Session.pulse\_voltage\_limit\_range* property.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Current:Pulse Bias Voltage Limit
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_BIAS\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT

# pulse\_bias\_voltage\_limit\_high

### nidcpower.Session.pulse\_bias\_voltage\_limit\_high

Specifies the maximum voltage, in volts, that the output can produce when generating the desired pulse current on the specified channel(s) during the *off* phase of a pulse. This property is applicable only if the *Compliance Limit Symmetry* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry*.html>'\_\_ property is set to **Asymmetric** and the *Output Method* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction*.html>'\_\_ property is set to **Pulse Current**. You must also specify a *Pulse Bias Voltage Limit Low* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseBiasVoltageLimitLow*.html>'\_\_ to complete the asymmetric range. **Valid Values:** [1% of *Pulse Voltage Limit Range* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseVoltageLimitRange*.html>'\_\_, *Pulse Voltage Limit Range*  <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseVoltageLimitRange.html>'\_\_] The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. **Default Value:** Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. **Related Topics:** Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

**Note:** The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the *Overranging Enabled* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.*html>'\_\_ property is set to TRUE or if the *Output Method* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction.*html>'\_\_ property is set to a pulsing method.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Current:Pulse Bias Voltage Limit High
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_BIAS\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT\_HIGH

# pulse\_bias\_voltage\_limit\_low

# nidcpower.Session.pulse\_bias\_voltage\_limit\_low

Specifies the minimum voltage, in volts, that the output can produce when generating the desired pulse current on the specified channel(s) during the off phase This property is applicable only if the Compliance Limit Symmetry of a pulse. cp:py:meth:'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry.html>'\_\_\_ property is set to Asym**metric** and the *Output Method* <*p*:*py:meth:* '*nidcpower*.Session.OutputFunction.html>'\_\_\_ property is set to **Pulse Current**. You must also specify a Pulse Bias Volt-<p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseBiasVoltageLimitHigh.html>'\_\_\_ age Limit High to complete the asymmetric range. Valid Values: [-Pulse Voltage Limit Range cp:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseVoltageLimitRange.html>'\_\_, -1% of Pulse Voltage Limit *Range* <*p*:*py:meth:* '*nidcpower.Session.PulseVoltageLimitRange*.html>'\_\_] The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. **Default Value:** Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. **Related Topics:** Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

Note: The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the Overranging Enabled

<p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.html>'\_\_ property is set to TRUE or if the Output Method <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction.html>'\_\_ property is set to a pulsing method.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Current:Pulse Bias Voltage Limit Low
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_BIAS\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT\_LOW

### pulse\_complete\_event\_output\_terminal

### nidcpower.Session.pulse\_complete\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the output terminal for exporting the Pulse Complete event. Output terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0. Default Value:The default value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Pulse Complete Event:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

### pulse\_complete\_event\_pulse\_polarity

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_complete\_event\_pulse\_polarity
 Specifies the behavior of the Pulse Complete event. Default Value: HIGH

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.Polarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Pulse Complete Event:Pulse:Polarity
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_PULSE\_POLARITY

### pulse\_complete\_event\_pulse\_width

#### nidcpower.Session.pulse\_complete\_event\_pulse\_width

Specifies the width of the Pulse Complete event, in seconds. The minimum event pulse width value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns. The maximum event pulse width value for PXI Express devices is 1.6 microseconds. Default Value: The default value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Pulse Complete Event:Pulse:Width
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_PULSE\_WIDTH

# pulse\_current\_level

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_current\_level

Specifies the pulse current level, in amps, that the device attempts to generate on the specified channel(s) during the on phase of a pulse. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower*. *Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_CURRENT*. Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values you specify for the *nidcpower*.*Session*. *pulse\_current\_level\_range* property.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Current:Pulse Current Level
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_CURRENT\_LEVEL

### pulse\_current\_level\_range

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_current\_level\_range

Specifies the pulse current level range, in amps, for the specified channel(s). The range defines the valid values to which you can set the pulse current level and pulse bias current level. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower*.*Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_CURRENT*. For valid ranges, refer to the ranges topic for your device in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Current:Pulse Current Level Range
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_CURRENT\_LEVEL\_RANGE

# pulse\_current\_limit

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_current\_limit

Specifies the pulse current limit, in amps, that the output cannot exceed when generating the desired pulse voltage on the specified channel(s) during the on phase of a pulse. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_VOLTAGE* and the *nidcpower.Session.compliance\_limit\_symmetry* property is set to *SYMMETRIC*. Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values you specify for the *nidcpower.Session.pulse\_current\_limit\_range* property.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Voltage:Pulse Current Limit
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_CURRENT\_LIMIT

# pulse\_current\_limit\_high

### nidcpower.Session.pulse\_current\_limit\_high

Specifies the maximum current, in amps, that the output can produce when generating the desired pulse voltage on the specified channel(s) during the on phase This property is applicable only if the Compliance Limit Symmetry of a pulse. cp:py:meth:'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry.html>'\_\_\_ property is set to Asym**metric** and the *Output Method* <*p*:*py*:*meth*: '*nidcpower*.Session.OutputFunction.html>' property is set to **Pulse Voltage**. You must also specify a Pulse Current <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseCurrentLimitLow.html>'\_\_\_ Limit Low to complete the asymmetric range. Valid Values: [1% of Pulse Current Limit Range <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseCurrentLimitRange.html>'\_\_, Pulse Current Limit Range <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseCurrentLimitRange.html>'\_\_] The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. Default Value: Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. Related Topics: Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

**Note:** The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the *Overranging Enabled* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.*html>'\_\_\_ property is set to TRUE or if the *Output Method* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction.*html>'\_\_\_ property is set to a pulsing method.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Voltage:Pulse Current Limit High
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_HIGH

# pulse\_current\_limit\_low

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_current\_limit\_low

Specifies the minimum current, in amps, that the output can produce when generating the desired pulse voltage on the specified channel(s) during the *on* phase of a pulse. This property is applicable only if the Compliance Limit Symmetry <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry.html>'\_\_ property is set to Asym**metric** and the Output Method <p:py:meth:'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction.html>'\_\_ property is set to **Pulse Voltage**. You must also specify a Pulse Current <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseCurrentLimitHigh.html>' to Limit High complete the asymmetric range. Valid Values: [-Pulse Current Limit Range cp:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseCurrentLimitRange.html>'\_\_, -1% of Pulse Current Limit *Range* <*p*:*py*:*meth*: '*nidcpower*.*Session*.*PulseCurrentLimitRange*.html>'] The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. Default Value: Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. Related Topics: Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

**Note:** The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the *Overranging Enabled* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.*html>'\_\_ property is set to TRUE or if the *Output Method* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction.*html>'\_\_ property is set to a pulsing method.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of

repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Voltage:Pulse Current Limit Low
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_LOW

### pulse\_current\_limit\_range

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_current\_limit\_range

Specifies the pulse current limit range, in amps, for the specified channel(s). The range defines the valid values to which you can set the pulse current limit and pulse bias current limit. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_VOLTAGE*. For valid ranges, refer to the ranges topic for your device in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Voltage:Pulse Current Limit Range
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_RANGE

# pulse\_off\_time

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_off\_time

Determines the length, in seconds, of the off phase of a pulse. Valid Values: 10 microseconds to 167 seconds Default Value: 34 milliseconds

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Pulse Off Time
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_OFF\_TIME

### pulse\_on\_time

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_on\_time

Determines the length, in seconds, of the on phase of a pulse. Valid Values: 10 microseconds to 167 seconds Default Value: 34 milliseconds

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Pulse On Time
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_ON\_TIME

### pulse\_trigger\_type

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_trigger\_type

Specifies the behavior of the Pulse trigger. Default Value: NONE

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Pulse Trigger:Trigger Type
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

# pulse\_voltage\_level

#### nidcpower.Session.pulse\_voltage\_level

Specifies the pulse current limit, in amps, that the output cannot exceed when generating the desired pulse voltage on the specified channel(s) during the on phase of a pulse. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_VOLTAGE*.

Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values you specify for the *nidcpower.Session.pulse\_current\_limit\_range* property.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Voltage:Pulse Voltage Level
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_VOLTAGE\_LEVEL

### pulse\_voltage\_level\_range

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_voltage\_level\_range

Specifies the pulse voltage level range, in volts, for the specified channel(s). The range defines the valid values at which you can set the pulse voltage level and pulse bias voltage level. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower*.*Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_VOLTAGE*. For valid ranges, refer to the ranges topic for your device in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Voltage:Pulse Voltage Level Range
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_VOLTAGE\_LEVEL\_RANGE

# pulse\_voltage\_limit

#### nidcpower.Session.pulse\_voltage\_limit

Specifies the pulse voltage limit, in volts, that the output cannot exceed when generating the desired pulse current on the specified channel(s) during the on phase of a pulse. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_CURRENT* and the *nidcpower.Session.compliance\_limit\_symmetry* property is set to *SYMMETRIC*. Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values you specify for the *nidcpower.Session.pulse\_voltage\_limit\_range* property.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Current:Pulse Voltage Limit
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT

### pulse\_voltage\_limit\_high

#### nidcpower.Session.pulse\_voltage\_limit\_high

Specifies the maximum voltage, in volts, that the output can produce when generating the desired pulse current on the specified channel(s) during the on phase This property is applicable only if the Compliance Limit Symmetry of a pulse. py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry.html>'\_\_ property is set to Asym**metric** and the *Output Method* <*p*:*py*:*meth*: '*nidcpower*.Session.OutputFunction.html>' property is set to Pulse Current. You must also specify a Pulse Voltage Limit Low <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseVoltageLimitLow.html>'\_\_\_ to complete the asymmetric range. Valid Values: [1% of Pulse Voltage Limit Range <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseVoltageLimitRange.html>'\_\_, Pulse Voltage Limit Range reth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseVoltageLimitRange.html>'\_\_] The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. Default Value: Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. Related Topics: Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

**Note:** The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the *Overranging Enabled* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.*html>'\_\_ property is set to TRUE or if the *Output Method* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction.*html>'\_\_ property is set to a pulsing method.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Current:Pulse Voltage Limit High
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT\_HIGH

# pulse\_voltage\_limit\_low

#### nidcpower.Session.pulse\_voltage\_limit\_low

Specifies the minimum voltage, in volts, that the output can produce when generating the desired pulse current on the specified channel(s) during the *on* phase

This property is applicable only if the Compliance Limit Symmetry of a pulse. py:meth:'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry.html>'\_\_\_ property is set to Asymthe *Output Method* <*p:py:meth:* '*nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction.*html>' metric and set to **Pulse Current**. You must also specify a Pulse Voltproperty is <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseVoltageLimitHigh.html>' age Limit High to complete the asymmetric range. Valid Values: [-Pulse Voltage Limit Range <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.PulseVoltageLimitRange.html>'\_\_, -1% of Pulse Voltage Limit *Range* <*p*:*py:meth:* '*nidcpower.Session.PulseVoltageLimitRange*.html>'\_\_] The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. **Default Value:** Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. Related Topics: Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

**Note:** The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the *Overranging Enabled* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.*html>'\_\_ property is set to TRUE or if the *Output Method* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction.*html>'\_\_ property is set to a pulsing method.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Current:Pulse Voltage Limit Low
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT\_LOW

# pulse\_voltage\_limit\_range

nidcpower.Session.pulse\_voltage\_limit\_range

Specifies the pulse voltage limit range, in volts, for the specified channel(s). The range defines the valid values to which you can set the pulse voltage limit and pulse bias voltage limit. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *PULSE\_CURRENT*. For valid ranges, refer to the ranges topic for your device in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help.

Note: The channel must be enabled for the specified current limit to take effect. Refer to the

*nidcpower.Session.output\_enabled* property for more information about enabling the output channel.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Pulse Current:Pulse Voltage Limit Range
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_PULSE\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT\_RANGE

### query\_instrument\_status

#### nidcpower.Session.query\_instrument\_status

Specifies whether NI-DCPower queries the device status after each operation. Querying the device status is useful for debugging. After you validate your program, you can set this property to False to disable status checking and maximize performance. NI-DCPower ignores status checking for particular properties regardless of the setting of this property. Use the nidcpower.Session. \_\_\_\_\_init\_\_\_() method to override this value. Default Value: True

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:User Options:Query Instrument Status
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_QUERY\_INSTRUMENT\_STATUS

# ready\_for\_pulse\_trigger\_event\_output\_terminal

nidcpower.Session.ready\_for\_pulse\_trigger\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the output terminal for exporting the Ready For Pulse Trigger event. Output terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Ready For Pulse Trigger Event:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_READY\_FOR\_PULSE\_TRIGGER\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

# ready\_for\_pulse\_trigger\_event\_pulse\_polarity

nidcpower.Session.ready\_for\_pulse\_trigger\_event\_pulse\_polarity
 Specifies the behavior of the Ready For Pulse Trigger event. Default Value: HIGH

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.Polarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Ready For Pulse Trigger Event:Pulse:Polarity
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_READY\_FOR\_PULSE\_TRIGGER\_EVENT\_PULSE\_POLARITY

### ready\_for\_pulse\_trigger\_event\_pulse\_width

#### nidcpower.Session.ready\_for\_pulse\_trigger\_event\_pulse\_width

Specifies the width of the Ready For Pulse Trigger event, in seconds. The minimum event pulse width value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns. The maximum event pulse width value for all devices is 1.6 microseconds. Default Value: The default value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Ready For Pulse Trigger Event:Pulse:Width
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_READY\_FOR\_PULSE\_TRIGGER\_EVENT\_PULSE\_WIDTH

### requested\_power\_allocation

nidcpower.Session.requested\_power\_allocation

Specifies the power, in watts, to request the device to source from each active channel. This property defines the power to source from the device only if the *nidcpower.Session*. *power\_allocation\_mode* property is set to *MANUAL*.

- The power you request with this property may be incompatible with the power a given source configuration requested power is less than the power required for the source configuration, the device does not exceed the requested power, and NI-DCPower returns an error. If the requested power is greater than the maximum per-channel or overall sourcing power, the device does not exceed the allowed power, and NI-DCPower returns an error.
- Valid Values: [0, device per-channel maximum power] Default Value: Refer to the Supported Properties by Device topic for the default value by device.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Requested Power Allocation
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_REQUESTED\_POWER\_ALLOCATION

# reset\_average\_before\_measurement

### nidcpower.Session.reset\_average\_before\_measurement

Specifies whether the measurement returned from any measurement call starts with a new measurement call (True) or returns a measurement that has already begun or completed(False). for information about supported devices. When you set the *nidcpower.Session. samples\_to\_average* property in the Running state, the output channel measurements might move out of synchronization. While NI-DCPower automatically synchronizes measurements upon the initialization of a session, you can force a synchronization in the running state before you run the *nidcpower.Session.measure\_multiple()* method. To force a synchronization in the running state, set this property to True, and then run the *nidcpower.Session. measure\_multiple()* method, specifying all channels in the channel name parameter. You can set the *nidcpower.Session.reset\_average\_before\_measurement* property to False after the *nidcpower.Session.measure\_multiple()* method completes. Default Value: True Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Advanced:Reset Average Before Measurement
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_RESET\_AVERAGE\_BEFORE\_MEASUREMENT

# samples\_to\_average

#### nidcpower.Session.samples\_to\_average

Specifies the number of samples to average when you take a measurement. Increasing the number of samples to average decreases measurement noise but increases the time required to take a measurement. Refer to the NI PXI-4110, NI PXI-4130, NI PXI-4132, or NI PXIe-4154 Averaging topic for optional property settings to improve immunity to certain noise types, or refer to the NI PXIe-4140/4141 DC Noise Rejection, NI PXIe-4142/4143 DC Noise Rejection, or NI PXIe-4144/4145 DC Noise Rejection topic for information about improving noise immunity for those devices. Default Value: NI PXI-4110 or NI PXIe-4142/4143—1 NI PXIe-4112—1 NI PXIe-4113—1 NI PXIe-4140/4141—1 NI PXIe-4142/4143—1 NI PXIe-4144/4145—1 NI PXIe-4154—500

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Samples To Average
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SAMPLES\_TO\_AVERAGE

#### self\_calibration\_persistence

nidcpower.Session.self\_calibration\_persistence

Specifies whether the values calculated during self-calibration should be written to hardware to be used until the next self-calibration or only used until the *nidcpower.Session. reset\_device()* method is called or the machine is powered down. This property affects the behavior of the *nidcpower.Session.self\_cal()* method. When set to *KEEP\_IN\_MEMORY*, the values calculated by the *nidcpower.Session.self\_cal()* method are used in the existing session, as well as in all further sessions until you call the *nidcpower.Session.reset\_device()* method or restart the machine. When you set this property to *WRITE\_TO\_EEPROM*, the values calculated by the *nidcpower.Session.self\_cal()* method are used in the existing session.self\_cal() method or restart the machine. When you set this property to *WRITE\_TO\_EEPROM*, the values calculated by the *nidcpower.Session.self\_cal()* method are used in the existing session and in all subsequent sessions until another call to the *nidcpower.Session.self\_cal()* method is made. about supported devices. Default Value: *KEEP\_IN\_MEMORY* 

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.SelfCalibrationPersistence
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Advanced:Self-Calibration Persistence
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SELF\_CALIBRATION\_PERSISTENCE

#### sense

nidcpower.Session.sense

Selects either local or remote sensing of the output voltage for the specified channel(s). Refer to the Local and Remote Sense topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about sensing voltage on supported channels and about devices that support local and/or remote sensing. Default Value: The default value is *LOCAL* if the device supports local sense. Otherwise, the default and only supported value is *REMOTE*.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.Sense
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Measurement:Sense
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SENSE

## sequence\_advance\_trigger\_type

nidcpower.Session.sequence\_advance\_trigger\_type

Specifies the behavior of the Sequence Advance trigger. for information about supported devices. Default Value: *NONE* 

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Sequence Advance Trigger:Trigger Type
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SEQUENCE\_ADVANCE\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

# sequence\_engine\_done\_event\_output\_terminal

nidcpower.Session.sequence\_engine\_done\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the output terminal for exporting the Sequence Engine Done Complete event. for information about supported devices. Output terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Sequence Engine Done Event:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SEQUENCE\_ENGINE\_DONE\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## sequence\_engine\_done\_event\_pulse\_polarity

nidcpower.Session.sequence\_engine\_done\_event\_pulse\_polarity
Specifies the behavior of the Sequence Engine Done event. for information about supported devices.
Default Value: HIGH

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.Polarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Sequence Engine Done Event:Pulse:Polarity
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SEQUENCE\_ENGINE\_DONE\_EVENT\_PULSE\_POLARITY

### sequence\_engine\_done\_event\_pulse\_width

#### nidcpower.Session.sequence\_engine\_done\_event\_pulse\_width

Specifies the width of the Sequence Engine Done event, in seconds. The minimum event pulse width value for PXI devices is 150 ns, and the minimum event pulse width value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns. The maximum event pulse width value for all devices is 1.6 microseconds. for information about supported devices. Valid Values: 1.5e-7 to 1.6e-6 seconds Default Value: The default value for PXI devices is 150 ns. The default value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Sequence Engine Done Event:Pulse:Width
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SEQUENCE\_ENGINE\_DONE\_EVENT\_PULSE\_WIDTH

### sequence\_iteration\_complete\_event\_output\_terminal

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nidcpower.Session.sequence_iteration_complete_event_output_terminal
```

Specifies the output terminal for exporting the Sequence Iteration Complete event. for information

about supported devices. Output terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Sequence Iteration Complete Event:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SEQUENCE\_ITERATION\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

# sequence\_iteration\_complete\_event\_pulse\_polarity

devices. Default Value: HIGH

nidcpower.Session.sequence\_iteration\_complete\_event\_pulse\_polarity
Specifies the behavior of the Sequence Iteration Complete event. for information about supported

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.Polarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Sequence Iteration Complete Event:Pulse:Polarity
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SEQUENCE\_ITERATION\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_PULSE\_POLARITY

### sequence\_iteration\_complete\_event\_pulse\_width

nidcpower.Session.sequence\_iteration\_complete\_event\_pulse\_width

Specifies the width of the Sequence Iteration Complete event, in seconds. The minimum event pulse width value for PXI devices is 150 ns, and the minimum event pulse width value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns. The maximum event pulse width value for all devices is 1.6 microseconds. the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for information about supported devices. Valid Values: 1.5e-7 to 1.6e-6 seconds Default Value: The default value for PXI devices is 150 ns. The default value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic in

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Sequence Iteration Complete Event:Pulse:Width
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SEQUENCE\_ITERATION\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_PULSE\_WIDTH

## sequence\_loop\_count

nidcpower.Session.sequence\_loop\_count

Specifies the number of times a sequence is run after initiation. Refer to the Sequence Source Mode topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about the sequence loop count. for information about supported devices. When the *nidcpower.Session.* sequence\_loop\_count\_is\_finite property is set to False, the *nidcpower.Session.* sequence\_loop\_count property is ignored. Valid Range: 1 to 134217727 Default Value: 1

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Sequence Loop Count
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SEQUENCE\_LOOP\_COUNT

### sequence\_loop\_count\_is\_finite

### nidcpower.Session.sequence\_loop\_count\_is\_finite

Specifies whether a sequence should repeat indefinitely. Refer to the Sequence Source Mode topic in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about infinite sequencing. *nidcpower.Session.sequence\_loop\_count\_is\_finite* property is set to False, the *nidcpower.Session.sequence\_loop\_count* property is ignored. Default Value: True

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. When the

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Sequence Loop Count Is Finite
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SEQUENCE\_LOOP\_COUNT\_IS\_FINITE

### sequence\_step\_delta\_time

nidcpower.Session.sequence\_step\_delta\_time

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SEQUENCE\_STEP\_DELTA\_TIME

### sequence\_step\_delta\_time\_enabled

nidcpower.Session.sequence\_step\_delta\_time\_enabled

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

• C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SEQUENCE\_STEP\_DELTA\_TIME\_ENABLED

### serial\_number

nidcpower.Session.serial\_number

Contains the serial number for the device you are currently using.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Serial Number
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SERIAL\_NUMBER

### shutdown\_trigger\_type

nidcpower.Session.**shutdown\_trigger\_type** 

Specifies the behavior of the Shutdown trigger. Default Value: NONE

**Note:** This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Shutdown Trigger:Trigger Type
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SHUTDOWN\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

### simulate

#### nidcpower.Session.simulate

Specifies whether to simulate NI-DCPower I/O operations. True specifies that operation is simulated. Default Value: False

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:User Options:Simulate
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SIMULATE

## source\_complete\_event\_output\_terminal

### nidcpower.Session.source\_complete\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the output terminal for exporting the Source Complete event. for information about supported devices. Output terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the device is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Source Complete Event:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SOURCE\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

### source\_complete\_event\_pulse\_polarity

nidcpower.Session.source\_complete\_event\_pulse\_polarity

Specifies the behavior of the Source Complete event. for information about supported devices. Default Value: *HIGH* 

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.Polarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Source Complete Event:Pulse:Polarity
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SOURCE\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_PULSE\_POLARITY

### source\_complete\_event\_pulse\_width

nidcpower.Session.source\_complete\_event\_pulse\_width

Specifies the width of the Source Complete event, in seconds. for information about supported devices. The minimum event pulse width value for PXI devices is 150 ns, and the minimum event pulse width value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns. The maximum event pulse width value for all devices is 1.6 microseconds Valid Values: 1.5e-7 to 1.6e-6 seconds Default Value: The default value for PXI devices is 150 ns. The default value for PXI Express devices is 250 ns.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Source Complete Event:Pulse:Width
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SOURCE\_COMPLETE\_EVENT\_PULSE\_WIDTH

# source\_delay

nidcpower.Session.source\_delay

Determines when, in seconds, the device generates the Source Complete event, potentially starting a measurement if the *nidcpower.Session.measure\_when* property is set to *AUTOMATICALLY\_AFTER\_SOURCE\_COMPLETE*. Refer to the Single Point Source Mode and Sequence Source Mode topics for more information. Valid Values: 0 to 167 seconds Default Value: 0.01667 seconds

Note: Refer to Supported Properties by Device for information about supported devices.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Source:Advanced:Source Delay

## • C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SOURCE\_DELAY

### source\_mode

#### nidcpower.Session.source\_mode

Specifies whether to run a single output point or a sequence. Refer to the Single Point Source Mode and Sequence Source Mode topics in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help for more information about source modes. Default value: *SINGLE\_POINT* 

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.SourceMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Source Mode
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SOURCE\_MODE

### source\_trigger\_type

### nidcpower.Session.source\_trigger\_type

Specifies the behavior of the Source trigger. for information about supported devices. Default Value: *NONE* 

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Source Trigger:Trigger Type
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SOURCE\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

### specific\_driver\_description

nidcpower.Session.**specific\_driver\_description** Contains a brief description of the specific driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Description

• C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_DESCRIPTION

## specific\_driver\_prefix

#### nidcpower.Session.specific\_driver\_prefix

Contains the prefix for NI-DCPower. The name of each user-callable method in NI-DCPower begins with this prefix.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Driver Prefix

## • C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_PREFIX

### specific\_driver\_revision

nidcpower.Session.**specific\_driver\_revision** Contains additional version information about NI-DCPower.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Revision
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_REVISION

### specific\_driver\_vendor

nidcpower.Session.**specific\_driver\_vendor** 

Contains the name of the vendor that supplies NI-DCPower.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Driver Vendor
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_VENDOR

### start\_trigger\_type

```
nidcpower.Session.start_trigger_type
Specifies the behavior of the Start trigger. for information about supported devices. Default Value:
NONE
```

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Start Trigger:Trigger Type
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_START\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

#### supported\_instrument\_models

#### nidcpower.Session.supported\_instrument\_models

Contains a comma-separated (,) list of supported NI-DCPower device models.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Capabilities:Supported Instrument Models
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_SUPPORTED\_INSTRUMENT\_MODELS

## transient\_response

```
nidcpower.Session.transient_response
```

Specifies the transient response. Refer to the Transient Response topic in the NI DC Power Supplies

and SMUs Help for more information about transient response. for information about supported devices. Default Value: *NORMAL* 

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TransientResponse
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Transient Response
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_TRANSIENT\_RESPONSE

## voltage\_compensation\_frequency

### nidcpower.Session.voltage\_compensation\_frequency

The frequency at which a pole-zero pair is added to the system when the channel is in Constant Voltage mode. for information about supported devices. Default value: Determined by the value of the *NORMAL* setting of the *nidcpower.Session.transient\_response* property.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Custom Transient Response:Voltage:Compensation Frequency
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_VOLTAGE\_COMPENSATION\_FREQUENCY

#### voltage\_gain\_bandwidth

#### nidcpower.Session.voltage\_gain\_bandwidth

The frequency at which the unloaded loop gain extrapolates to 0 dB in the absence of additional poles and zeroes. This property takes effect when the channel is in Constant Voltage mode. for information about supported devices. Default Value: Determined by the value of the *NORMAL* setting of the *nidcpower.Session.transient\_response* property.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Custom Transient Response:Voltage:Gain Bandwidth
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_VOLTAGE\_GAIN\_BANDWIDTH

#### voltage\_level

nidcpower.Session.voltage\_level

Specifies the voltage level, in volts, that the device attempts to generate on the specified channel(s). This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *DC\_VOLTAGE.nidcpower.Session.output\_enabled* property for more information about enabling the output channel. Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values you specify for the *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_level\_range* property.

Note: The channel must be enabled for the specified voltage level to take effect. Refer to the

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Voltage:Voltage Level
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_VOLTAGE\_LEVEL

# voltage\_level\_autorange

nidcpower.Session.voltage\_level\_autorange

Specifies whether NI-DCPower automatically selects the voltage level range based on the desired voltage level for the specified channel(s). If you set this property to ON, NI-DCPower ignores any changes you make to the *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_level\_range* property. If you change the *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_level\_autorange* property from ON to OFF, NI-DCPower retains the last value the *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_level\_range* property was set to (or the default value if the property was never set) and uses that value as the voltage level range. Query the *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_level\_range* property by using the nidcpower.Session.get\_attribute\_vi\_int32() method for information about which range NI-DCPower automatically selects. The *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_level\_autorange* property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *DC\_VOLTAGE*. Default Value: *OFF* 

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Voltage:Voltage Level Autorange
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_VOLTAGE\_LEVEL\_AUTORANGE

### voltage\_level\_range

nidcpower.Session.voltage\_level\_range

Specifies the voltage level range, in volts, for the specified channel(s). The range defines the valid values to which the voltage level can be set. Use the *nidcpower.Session*. *voltage\_level\_autorange* property to enable automatic selection of the voltage level range. The *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_level\_range* property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *DC\_VOLTAGE.nidcpower.Session.output\_enabled* property for more information about enabling the output channel. For valid ranges, refer to the Ranges topic for your device in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help.

Note: The channel must be enabled for the specified voltage level range to take effect. Refer to the

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Voltage:Voltage Level Range
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_VOLTAGE\_LEVEL\_RANGE

### voltage\_limit

nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit

Specifies the voltage limit, in volts, that the output cannot exceed when generating the desired current level on the specified channels. This property is applicable only if the *nidcpower*. Session.output\_function property is set to *DC\_CURRENT* and the *nidcpower*. Session.compliance\_limit\_symmetry property is set to *SYMMETRIC*. *nidcpower*. Session.output\_enabled property for more information about enabling the output channel.

Valid Values: The valid values for this property are defined by the values to which the *nidcpower*. *Session.voltage\_limit\_range* property is set.

Note: The channel must be enabled for the specified current level to take effect. Refer to the

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Current:Voltage Limit
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT

## voltage\_limit\_autorange

nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit\_autorange

Specifies whether NI-DCPower automatically selects the voltage limit range based on the desired voltage limit for the specified channel(s). If this property is set to ON, NI-DCPower ignores any changes you make to the *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit\_range* property. If you change the *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit\_autorange* property from ON to OFF, NI-DCPower retains the last value the *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit\_range* property was set to (or the default value if the property was never set) and uses that value as the voltage limit range. Query the *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit\_range* property by using the nidcpower.Session.get\_attribute\_vi\_int32() method to find out which range Property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *DC\_CURRENT*. Default Value: *OFF* 

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Current:Voltage Limit Autorange
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT\_AUTORANGE

## voltage\_limit\_high

### nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit\_high

Specifies the maximum voltage, in volts, that the output can produce when generating the desired current on the specified channel(s). This property is applicable only if the Compliance Limit Symmetry <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry.html>'\_\_ property is set to **Asymmetric** and the *Output Method* <*p*:*p*y:*meth*: '*nidcpower*.*Session*.*OutputFunction*.html>'\_\_\_ set to DC Current. property is You must also specify а Voltage Limit Low <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.VoltageLimitLow.html>'\_\_\_ to complete the asymmetric range. Valid Values: [1% of Voltage Limit Range <p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.VoltageLimitRange.html>'\_\_\_, Voltage Limit Range cp:py:meth:'nidcpower.Session.VoltageLimitRange.html>'\_\_] The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. Default Value: Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. Related Topics: Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

**Note:** The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the *Overranging Enabled* <*p:py:meth:'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.*html>'\_\_\_ property is set to TRUE.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Current:Voltage Limit High
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT\_HIGH

## voltage\_limit\_low

nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit\_low

Specifies the minimum voltage, in volts, that the output can produce when generating the desired current on the specified channel(s). This property is applicable only if the *Compliance Limit Symmetry* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.ComplianceLimitSymmetry*.html>'\_\_ property is set to **Asymmetric** and the *Output Method* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.OutputFunction*.html>'\_\_ property is set to **DC Current**. You must also specify a *Voltage Limit High* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.VoltageLimitHigh*.html>'\_\_ to complete the asymmetric range. **Valid Values:** [-*Voltage Limit Range* <*p:py:meth: 'nidcpower.Session.VoltageLimitRange*.html>'\_\_] The range bounded by the limit high and limit low must include zero. **Default Value:** Refer to Supported Properties by Device for the default value by device. **Related Topics:** Ranges Changing Ranges Overranging

**Note:** The limit may be extended beyond the selected limit range if the *Overranging Enabled* <*p:py:meth:'nidcpower.Session.OverrangingEnabled.*html>'\_\_\_ property is set to TRUE.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Current:Voltage Limit Low
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT\_LOW

# voltage\_limit\_range

nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit\_range

Specifies the voltage limit range, in volts, for the specified channel(s). The range defines the valid values to which the voltage limit can be set. Use the *nidcpower.Session*. *voltage\_limit\_autorange* property to enable automatic selection of the voltage limit range. The *nidcpower.Session.voltage\_limit\_range* property is applicable only if the *nidcpower.Session.output\_function* property is set to *DC\_CURRENT.nidcpower.Session.output\_enabled* property for more information about enabling the output channel. For valid ranges, refer to the Ranges topic for your device in the NI DC Power Supplies and SMUs Help.

Note: The channel must be enabled for the specified voltage limit range to take effect. Refer to the

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:DC Current:Voltage Limit Range
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT\_RANGE

## voltage\_pole\_zero\_ratio

nidcpower.Session.voltage\_pole\_zero\_ratio

The ratio of the pole frequency to the zero frequency when the channel is in Constant Voltage mode. for information about supported devices. Default value: Determined by the value of the *NORMAL* setting of the *nidcpower.Session.transient\_response* property.

Note: This property is not supported by all devices. Refer to Supported Properties by Device topic

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidcpower.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidcpower.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Source:Custom Transient Response:Voltage:Pole-Zero Ratio
- C Attribute: NIDCPOWER\_ATTR\_VOLTAGE\_POLE\_ZERO\_RATIO

### Session

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- pulse\_current\_limit
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#### **Repeated Capabilities**

Repeated capabilities attributes are used to set the *channel\_string* parameter to the underlying driver function call. This can be the actual function based on the Session method being called, or it can be the appropriate Get/Set Attribute function, such as niDCPower\_SetAttributeViInt32().

Repeated capabilities attributes use the indexing operator [] to indicate the repeated capabilities. The parameter can be a string, list, tuple, or slice (range). Each element of those can be a string or an integer. If it is a string, you can indicate a range using the same format as the driver:  $\0-2'$  or  $\0:2'$ 

Some repeated capabilities use a prefix before the number and this is optional

# channels

nidcpower.Session.channels[]

session.channels['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of 0, 1, 2' to the set attribute function.

### Enums

Enums used in NI-DCPower

### **ApertureTimeUnits**

class nidcpower.ApertureTimeUnits

### SECONDS

Specifies aperture time in seconds.

### POWER\_LINE\_CYCLES

Specifies aperture time in power line cycles (PLCs).

#### **AutoZero**

class nidcpower.AutoZero

#### OFF

Disables auto zero.

#### ON

Makes zero conversions for every measurement.

#### ONCE

Makes zero conversions following the first measurement after initiating the device. The device uses these zero conversions for the preceding measurement and future measurements until the device is reinitiated.

## AutorangeApertureTimeMode

#### class nidcpower.AutorangeApertureTimeMode

#### AUTO

NI-DCPower optimizes the aperture time for the autorange algorithm based on the module range.

#### CUSTOM

The user specifies a minimum aperture time for the algorithm using the *nidcpower.Session*. *autorange\_minimum\_aperture\_time* property and the corresponding *nidcpower.Session*. *autorange\_minimum\_aperture\_time\_units* property.

### **AutorangeBehavior**

class nidcpower.AutorangeBehavior

### UP\_TO\_LIMIT\_THEN\_DOWN

Go to limit range then range down as needed until measured value is within thresholds.

#### UP

go up one range when the upper threshold is reached.

### UP\_AND\_DOWN

go up or down one range when the upper/lower threshold is reached.

### AutorangeThresholdMode

#### class nidcpower.AutorangeThresholdMode

#### NORMAL

Thresholds are selected based on a balance between accuracy and hysteresis.

#### FAST\_STEP

Optimized for faster changes in the measured signal. Thresholds are configured to be a smaller percentage of the range.

#### HIGH\_HYSTERESIS

Optimized for noisy signals to minimize frequent and unpredictable range changes. Thresholds are configured to be a larger percentage of the range.

#### MEDIUM\_HYSTERESIS

Optimized for noisy signals to minimize frequent and unpredictable range changes. Thresholds are configured to be a medium percentage of the range.

#### HOLD

Attempt to maintain the active range. Thresholds will favor the active range.

### ComplianceLimitSymmetry

### class nidcpower.ComplianceLimitSymmetry

### SYMMETRIC

Compliance limits are specified symmetrically about 0.

### ASYMMETRIC

Compliance limits can be specified asymmetrically with respect to 0.

### **DCNoiseRejection**

### class nidcpower.DCNoiseRejection

## SECOND\_ORDER

Second-order rejection of DC noise.

#### NORMAL

Normal rejection of DC noise.

# Event

class nidcpower.Event

SOURCE\_COMPLETE MEASURE\_COMPLETE

SEQUENCE\_ITERATION\_COMPLETE

SEQUENCE\_ENGINE\_DONE

PULSE\_COMPLETE

READY\_FOR\_PULSE\_TRIGGER

### **MeasureWhen**

class nidcpower.MeasureWhen

#### AUTOMATICALLY\_AFTER\_SOURCE\_COMPLETE

Acquires a measurement after each Source Complete event completes.

### ON\_DEMAND

Acquires a measurement when the nidcpower.Session.measure() method or nidcpower. Session.measure\_multiple() method is called.

### ON\_MEASURE\_TRIGGER

Acquires a measurement when a Measure trigger is received.

## MeasurementTypes

class nidcpower.MeasurementTypes

## CURRENT

The device measures current.

#### VOLTAGE

The device measures voltage.

### **OutputCapacitance**

### class nidcpower.OutputCapacitance

### LOW

Output Capacitance is low.

### HIGH

Output Capacitance is high.

# **OutputFunction**

#### class nidcpower.OutputFunction

#### DC\_VOLTAGE

Sets the output method to DC voltage.

#### DC\_CURRENT

Sets the output method to DC current.

## **PULSE\_VOLTAGE** Sets the output method to pulse voltage.

### PULSE\_CURRENT

Sets the output method to pulse current.

# **OutputStates**

#### class nidcpower.OutputStates

#### VOLTAGE

The device maintains a constant voltage by adjusting the current

### CURRENT

The device maintains a constant current by adjusting the voltage.

### **Polarity**

### class nidcpower.Polarity

#### HIGH

A high pulse occurs when the event is generated. The exported signal is low level both before and after the event is generated.

#### LOW

A low pulse occurs when the event is generated. The exported signal is high level both before and after the event is generated.

### **PowerAllocationMode**

#### class nidcpower.PowerAllocationMode

#### DISABLED

The device attempts to source, on each active channel, the power that the present source configuration requires; NI-DCPower does not perform a sourcing power check. If the required power is greater than the maximum sourcing power, the device attempts to source the required amount and may shut down to prevent damage.

#### AUTOMATIC

The device attempts to source, on each active channel, the power that the present source configuration requires; NI-DCPower performs a sourcing power check. If the required power is greater than the maximum sourcing power, the device does not exceed the maximum power, and NI-DCPower returns an error.

### MANUAL

The device attempts to source, on each active channel, the power you request with the *nidcpower*. *Session.requested\_power\_allocation* property; NI-DCPower performs a sourcing power check. If the requested power is either less than the required power for the present source configuration or greater than the maximum sourcing power, the device does not exceed the requested or allowed power, respectively, and NI-DCPower returns an error.

## **PowerSource**

class nidcpower.PowerSource

### INTERNAL

Uses the PXI chassis power source.

### AUXILIARY

Uses the auxiliary power source connected to the device.

#### AUTOMATIC

Uses the auxiliary power source if it is available; otherwise uses the PXI chassis power source.

### PowerSourceInUse

#### class nidcpower.PowerSourceInUse

#### INTERNAL

Uses the PXI chassis power source.

### AUXILIARY

Uses the auxiliary power source connected to the device. Only the NI PXI-4110, NI PXIe-4112, NI PXIe-4113, and NI PXI-4130 support this value. This is the only supported value for the NI PXIe-4112 and NI PXIe-4113.

# **SelfCalibrationPersistence**

### class nidcpower.SelfCalibrationPersistence

### KEEP\_IN\_MEMORY

Keep new self calibration values in memory only.

### WRITE\_TO\_EEPROM

Write new self calibration values to hardware.

## SendSoftwareEdgeTriggerType

class nidcpower.SendSoftwareEdgeTriggerType

START

SOURCE

MEASURE

SEQUENCE\_ADVANCE PULSE SHUTDOWN

# Sense

class nidcpower.Sense

# LOCAL

Local sensing is selected.

### REMOTE

Remote sensing is selected.

# SourceMode

class nidcpower.SourceMode

## SINGLE\_POINT

The source unit applies a single source configuration.

### SEQUENCE

The source unit applies a list of voltage or current configurations sequentially.

## **TransientResponse**

### class nidcpower.TransientResponse

### NORMAL

The output responds to changes in load at a normal speed.

# FAST

The output responds to changes in load quickly.

# SLOW

The output responds to changes in load slowly.

### CUSTOM

The output responds to changes in load based on specified values.

# TriggerType

## class nidcpower.TriggerType

## NONE

No trigger is configured.

## DIGITAL\_EDGE

The data operation starts when a digital edge is detected.

# SOFTWARE\_EDGE

The data operation starts when a software trigger occurs.

# **Exceptions and Warnings**

# Error

**exception** nidcpower.errors.**Error** Base exception type that all NI-DCPower exceptions derive from

# **DriverError**

**exception** nidcpower.errors.**DriverError** An error originating from the NI-DCPower driver

### **UnsupportedConfigurationError**

**exception** nidcpower.errors.**UnsupportedConfigurationError** An error due to using this module in an usupported platform.

# DriverNotInstalledError

**exception** nidcpower.errors.**DriverNotInstalledError** An error due to using this module without the driver runtime installed.

### InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError

**exception** nidcpower.errors.**InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError** An error due to an invalid character in a repeated capability

# SelfTestError

**exception** nidcpower.errors.**SelfTestError** An error due to a failed self-test

# **DriverWarning**

**exception** nidcpower.errors.**DriverWarning** A warning originating from the NI-DCPower driver

# **Examples**

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nidcpower\_advanced\_sequence.py

```
Listing 1: (nidcpower_advanced_sequence.py)
```

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
3
   import argparse
   import hightime
4
   import nidcpower
5
   import sys
6
7
   def example (resource_name, channels, options, voltage_max, current_max, points_per_
   →output_function, delay_in_seconds):
       timeout = hightime.timedelta(seconds=(delay_in_seconds + 1.0))
10
11
       with nidcpower.Session(resource_name=resource_name, channels=channels,
12
   →options=options) as session:
13
14
            # Configure the session.
           session.source_mode = nidcpower.SourceMode.SEQUENCE
15
           session.voltage_level_autorange = True
16
           session.current_limit_autorange = True
17
           session.source_delay = hightime.timedelta(seconds=delay_in_seconds)
18
           properties_used = ['output_function', 'voltage_level', 'current_level']
19
           session.create_advanced_sequence(sequence_name='my_sequence', property_
20

→names=properties_used, set_as_active_sequence=True)

21
           voltage_per_step = voltage_max / points_per_output_function
22
           for i in range(points_per_output_function):
23
                session.create_advanced_sequence_step(set_as_active_step=False)
24
25
                session.output_function = nidcpower.OutputFunction.DC_VOLTAGE
26
                session.voltage_level = voltage_per_step * i
27
           current_per_step = current_max / points_per_output_function
28
            for i in range(points_per_output_function):
29
                session.create_advanced_sequence_step(set_as_active_step=False)
30
                session.output_function = nidcpower.OutputFunction.DC_CURRENT
31
32
                session.current_level = current_per_step * i
33
           with session.initiate():
34
                session.wait for event (nidcpower Event SEQUENCE ENGINE DONE)
35
               measurements = session.fetch_multiple(points_per_output_function * 2,__
36
   \rightarrowtimeout=timeout)
37
            session.delete_advanced_sequence(sequence_name='my_sequence')
38
           line_format = '{:, <4} {:, .6g} {:, .6g} {:<6}\n'
39
           print('{:<4} {:<10} {:,<10} {:<6}'.format('Num', 'Voltage', 'Current', 'In.
40
   →Compliance'))
           i = 0
41
           for measurement in measurements:
42
               print(line_format.format(i, measurement.voltage, measurement.current,...
43

→ str(measurement.in_compliance)))

               i += 1
44
45
46
   def __main(argsv):
47
```

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```
parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Output ramping voltage to voltage...
48
   →ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource_
49
   →name of a National Instruments SMU')
       parser.add_argument('-c', '--channels', default='0', help='Channel(s) to use')
50
       parser.add_argument('-s', '--number-steps', default=256, help='Number of steps...
51
   →per output function')
       parser.add_argument('-v', '--voltage-max', default=1.0, type=float, help='Maximum_
52
   \rightarrow voltage (V)')
       parser.add_argument('-i', '--current-max', default=0.001, type=float, help=
53
   → 'Maximum Current (I) ')
54
       parser.add_argument('-d', '--delay', default=0.05, type=float, help='Source delay...
   \rightarrow (s) ')
       parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option__
55
   \leftrightarrow string')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
56
       example(args.resource_name, args.channels, args.option_string, args.voltage_max,...
57
   →args.current_max, args.number_steps, args.delay)
58
59
   def main():
60
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
61
62
63
64
   def test_main():
       cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:4162; BoardType:PXIe
65
   \rightarrow ', ]
       _main(cmd_line)
66
67
68
   def test_example():
69
       options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '4162', 'BoardType': 'PXIe
70
   \leftrightarrow ', }, }
       example('PXI1Slot2', '0', options, 1.0, 0.001, 256, 0.05)
71
72
73
   if __name__ == '__main__':
74
75
       main()
76
77
```

# nidcpower\_measure\_record.py

Listing 2: (nidcpower\_measure\_record.py)

```
#!/usr/bin/python
import argparse
import nidcpower
import sys
def example(resource_name, channels, options, voltage, length):
```

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```
with nidcpower.Session(resource_name=resource_name, channels=channels,...
9
    →options=options) as session:
10
            # Configure the session.
11
           session.measure_record_length = length
12
           session.measure_record_length_is_finite = True
13
           session.measure_when = nidcpower.MeasureWhen.AUTOMATICALLY_AFTER_SOURCE_
14
   → COMPLETE
           session.voltage_level = voltage
15
16
           session.commit()
17
           print ('Effective measurement rate: {0} S/s'.format(session.measure_record_
18
   \rightarrow delta_time / 1))
19
           samples\_acquired = 0
20
           print(' #
                         Voltage
                                    Current
                                                 In Compliance')
21
           row\_format = ' {0:3d}:
                                   {1:8.6f}
                                               {2:8.6f} {3}'
22
           with session.initiate():
23
                while samples_acquired < length:</pre>
24
                    measurements = session.fetch_multiple(count=session.fetch_backlog)
25
                    samples_acquired += len(measurements)
26
                    for i in range(len(measurements)):
27
                        print(row_format.format(i, measurements[i].voltage,_
28
   →measurements[i].current, measurements[i].in_compliance))
29
30
31
   def _main(argsv):
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Outputs the specified voltage, then,
32
   ⇔class=argparse.ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXIISlot2', help='Resource...
33
   →name of a National Instruments SMU')
       parser.add_argument('-c', '--channels', default='0', help='Channel(s) to use')
34
       parser.add_argument('-1', '--length', default='20', type=int, help='Measure_
35
   \rightarrow record length')
       parser.add_argument('-v', '--voltage', default=5.0, type=float, help='Voltage,
36
   \rightarrow level (V)')
       parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option...
37
   \leftrightarrow string')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
38
       example (args.resource_name, args.channels, args.option_string, args.voltage, args.
39
   \rightarrowlength)
40
41
42
   def main():
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
43
44
45
   def test_example():
46
       options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '4162', 'BoardType': 'PXIe
47
   \leftrightarrow ', }, }
       example('PXI1Slot2', '0', options, 5.0, 20)
48
49
50
   def test main():
51
       cmd line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:4162; BoardType:PXIe
52
    \rightarrow ', ]
```

```
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33
53
54
55
56
if __name__ == '__main__':
57
58
59
```

# nidcpower\_source\_delay\_measure.py

Listing 3: (nidcpower\_source\_delay\_measure.py)

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
   import argparse
3
   import hightime
4
   import nidcpower
5
   import sys
6
7
8
   def print_fetched_measurements(measurements):
9
       print('
                            Voltage : {:f} V'.format(measurements[0].voltage))
10
                             Current: {:f} A'.format(measurements[0].current))
       print('
11
                      In compliance: {0}'.format(measurements[0].in_compliance))
       print('
12
13
14
   def example (resource_name, channels, options, voltage1, voltage2, delay):
15
       timeout = hightime.timedelta(seconds=(delay + 1.0))
16
17
       with nidcpower.Session(resource_name=resource_name, channels=channels,
18
   →options=options) as session:
19
            # Configure the session.
20
           session.source_mode = nidcpower.SourceMode.SINGLE_POINT
21
           session.output_function = nidcpower.OutputFunction.DC_VOLTAGE
22
           session.current_limit = .06
23
           session.voltage_level_range = 5.0
24
           session.current_limit_range = .06
25
           session.source_delay = hightime.timedelta(seconds=delay)
26
           session.measure_when = nidcpower.MeasureWhen.AUTOMATICALLY_AFTER_SOURCE_
27
   →COMPLETE
           session.voltage_level = voltage1
28
29
           with session.initiate():
30
31
               print('Voltage 1:')
               print_fetched_measurements(session.fetch_multiple(count=1,__
32
   →timeout=timeout))
                session.voltage_level = voltage2 # on-the-fly set
33
               print('Voltage 2:')
34
               print_fetched_measurements(session.fetch_multiple(count=1,_
35
    →timeout=timeout))
                session.output_enabled = False
36
37
38
```

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```
def _main(argsv):
39
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Outputs voltage 1, waits for source...
40
    →delay, and then takes a measurement. Then orepeat with voltage 2.', formatter_

→class=argparse.ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)

       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource...
41
    →name of a National Instruments SMU')
       parser.add_argument('-c', '--channels', default='0', help='Channel(s) to use')
42
       parser.add_argument('-v1', '--voltage1', default=1.0, type=float, help='Voltage...
43
    \rightarrow level 1 (V)')
       parser.add_argument('-v2', '--voltage2', default=2.0, type=float, help='Voltage_
44
    \rightarrow level 2 (V)')
       parser.add_argument('-d', '--delay', default=0.05, type=float, help='Source delay...
45
    \leftrightarrow (s) ')
       parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option...
46
    \leftrightarrow string')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
47
       example(args.resource_name, args.channels, args.option_string, args.voltage1,_
48
    →args.voltage2, args.delay)
49
50
   def main():
51
        _main(sys.argv[1:])
52
53
54
   def test_main():
55
56
       cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:4162; BoardType:PXIe
    \rightarrow ', ]
        _main(cmd_line)
57
58
59
   def test_example():
60
       options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '4162', 'BoardType': 'PXIe
61
    \leftrightarrow ', }, }
       example('PXI1Slot2', '0', options, 1.0, 2.0, 0.05)
62
63
64
   if __name__ == '__main__':
65
66
       main()
67
68
```

# 7.2 nidigital module

# 7.2.1 Installation

As a prerequisite to using the nidigital module, you must install the NI-Digital Pattern Driver runtime on your system. Visit ni.com/downloads to download the driver runtime for your devices.

The nimi-python modules (i.e. for NI-Digital Pattern Driver) can be installed with pip:

```
$ python -m pip install nidigital~=1.0.0
```

Or **easy\_install** from setuptools:

\$ python -m easy\_install nidigital

# 7.2.2 Usage

The following is a basic example of using the **nidigital** module to open a session to a digital pattern instrument, source current, and measure both voltage and current using the PPMU on selected channels.

```
import nidigital
import time
with nidigital.Session(resource_name='PXI1Slot2') as session:
    channels = 'PXI1Slot2/0, PXI1Slot2/1'
    # Configure PPMU measurements
    session.channels[channels].ppmu_aperture_time = 0.000004
    session.channels[channels].ppmu_aperture_time_units = nidigital.
→ PPMUApertureTimeUnits.SECONDS
    session.channels[channels].ppmu_output_function = nidigital.PPMUOutputFunction.
→CURRENT
    session.channels[channels].ppmu_current_level_range = 0.000002
    session.channels[channels].ppmu_current_level = 0.000002
    session.channels[channels].ppmu_voltage_limit_high = 3.3
    session.channels[channels].ppmu_voltage_limit_low = 0
    # Sourcing
    session.channels[channels].ppmu_source()
    # Settling time between sourcing and measuring
    time.sleep(0.01)
    # Measuring
   current_measurements = session.channels[channels].ppmu_measure(nidigital.
→ PPMUMeasurementType.CURRENT)
   voltage_measurements = session.channels[channels].ppmu_measure(nidigital.
→ PPMUMeasurement Type. VOLTAGE)
    print('{:<20} {:<10} {:<10}'.format('Channel Name', 'Current', 'Voltage'))</pre>
    for channel, current, voltage in zip(channels.split(','), current_measurements,_
⇔voltage_measurements):
        print('{:<20} {:<10f} {:<10f}'.format(channel, current, voltage))</pre>
    # Disconnect all channels using programmable onboard switching
    session.channels[channels].selected_function = nidigital.SelectedFunction.
→DISCONNECT
```

Additional examples for NI-Digital Pattern Driver are located in src/nidigital/examples/ directory.

# 7.2.3 API Reference

# Session

**class** nidigital.**Session** (*self*, *resource\_name*, *id\_query=False*, *reset\_device=False*, *options={}*) Creates and returns a new session to the specified digital pattern instrument to use in all subsequent method calls. To place the instrument in a known startup state when creating a new session, set the reset parameter to True, which is equivalent to calling the *nidigital.Session.reset()* method immediately after initializing the session.

# Parameters

• **resource\_name** (*str*) – The specified resource name shown in Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX) for a digital pattern instrument, for example, PXI1Slot3, where PXI1Slot3 is an instrument resource name. **resourceName** can also be a logical IVI name. This parameter accepts a comma-delimited list of strings in the form PXI1Slot2,PXI1Slot3, where PXI1Slot2 is one instrument resource name and PXI1Slot3 is another. When including more than one digital pattern instrument in the comma-delimited list of strings, list the instruments in the same order they appear in the pin map.

Note You only can specify multiple instruments of the same model. For example, you can list two PXIe-6570s but not a PXIe-6570 and PXIe-6571. The instruments must be in the same chassis.

- **id\_query** (bool) A Boolean that verifies that the digital pattern instrument you initialize is supported by NI-Digital. NI-Digital automatically performs this query, so setting this parameter is not necessary.
- **reset\_device** (bool) A Boolean that specifies whether to reset a digital pattern instrument to a known state when the session is initialized. Setting the **resetDevice** value to True is equivalent to calling the *nidigital.Session.reset()* method immediately after initializing the session.
- **options** (*dict*) Specifies the initial value of certain properties for the session. The syntax for **options** is a dictionary of properties with an assigned value. For example:

{ 'simulate': False }

You do not have to specify a value for all the properties. If you do not specify a value for a property, the default value is used.

Advanced Example: { 'simulate': True, 'driver\_setup': { 'Model': '<model number>', 'BoardType': '<type>' } }

Property	Default
range_check	True
query_instrument_status	False
cache	True
simulate	False
record_value_coersions	False
driver_setup	{}

# **Methods**

# abort

```
nidigital.Session.abort()
Stops bursting the pattern.
```

### abort\_keep\_alive

```
nidigital.Session.abort_keep_alive()
```

Stops the keep alive pattern if it is currently running. If a pattern burst is in progress, the method aborts the pattern burst. If you start a new pattern burst while a keep alive pattern is running, the keep alive pattern runs to the last keep alive vector, and the new pattern burst starts on the next cycle.

# apply\_levels\_and\_timing

```
nidigital.Session.apply_levels_and_timing(levels_sheet, timing_sheet, ini-
tial_state_high_pins=None,
initial_state_low_pins=None,
initial_state_tristate_pins=None)
Applies digital levels and timing values defined in previously loaded levels and timing sheets. When
```

applying a levels sheet, only the levels specified in the sheet are affected. Any levels not specified in the sheet remain unchanged. When applying a timing sheet, all existing time sets are deleted before the new time sets are loaded.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

- **levels\_sheet** (*str*) Name of the levels sheet to apply. Use the name of the sheet or pass the absolute file path you use in the *nidigital.Session*. *load\_specifications\_levels\_and\_timing()* method. The name of the levels sheet is the file name without the directory and file extension.
- timing\_sheet (*str*) Name of the timing sheet to apply. Use the name of the sheet or pass the absolute file path that you use in the *nidigital.Session*. *load\_specifications\_levels\_and\_timing()* method. The name of the timing sheet is the file name without the directory and file extension.
- initial\_state\_high\_pins (basic sequence types or str) Comma-delimited list of pins, pin groups, or channels to initialize to a high state.
- initial\_state\_low\_pins (basic sequence types or str) Comma-delimited list of pins, pin groups, or channels to initialize to a low state.
- initial\_state\_tristate\_pins(basic sequence types or str) - Comma-delimited list of pins, pin groups, or channels to initialize to a non-drive state (X)

# apply\_tdr\_offsets

nidigital.Session.apply\_tdr\_offsets(offsets)

Applies the correction for propagation delay offsets to a digital pattern instrument. Use this method to apply TDR offsets that are stored from a past measurement or are measured by means other than the *nidigital.Session.tdr()* method. Also use this method to apply correction for offsets if the **applyOffsets** input of the *nidigital.Session.tdr()* method was set to False at the time of measurement.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

Parameters offsets(basic sequence of hightime.timedelta,<br/>datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) - TDR offsets to ap-<br/>ply, in seconds. Specify an offset for each pin or channel in the repeated capabilities.<br/>If the repeated capabilities contain pin names, you must specify offsets for each site in<br/>the channel map per pin.

# burst\_pattern

wait\_until\_done as True, waits for the burst to complete, and returns comparison results for each site. Digital pins retain their state at the end of a pattern burst until the first vector of the pattern burst,

a call to nidigital.Session.write\_static(), or a call to nidigital.Session. apply\_levels\_and\_timing().

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

- **start\_label** (*str*) Pattern name or exported pattern label from which to start bursting the pattern.
- **select\_digital\_function** (bool) A Boolean that specifies whether to select the digital method for the pins in the pattern prior to bursting.
- wait\_until\_done (bool) A Boolean that indicates whether to wait until the bursting is complete.
- timeout (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Maximum time (in seconds) allowed for this method to

complete. If this method does not complete within this time interval, this method returns an error.

**Return type** { int: bool, int: bool, .. }

**Returns** Dictionary where each key is a site number and value is pass/fail, if wait\_until\_done is specified as True. Else, None.

# clock\_generator\_abort

```
nidigital.Session.clock_generator_abort()
Stops clock generation on the specified channel(s) or pin(s) and pin group(s).
```

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

# clock\_generator\_generate\_clock

```
nidigital.Session.clock_generator_generate_clock (frequency, se-
lect_digital_function=True)
Configures clock generator frequency and initiates clock generation on the specified channel(s) or
pin(s) and pin group(s).
```

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### **Parameters**

- **frequency** (*float*) The frequency of the clock generation, in Hz.
- **select\_digital\_function** (bool) A Boolean that specifies whether to select the digital method for the pins specified prior to starting clock generation.

# close

```
nidigital.Session.close()
```

Closes the specified instrument session to a digital pattern instrument, aborts pattern execution, and unloads pattern memory. The channels on a digital pattern instrument remain in their current state.

Note: This method is not needed when using the session context manager

#### commit

#### nidigital.Session.commit()

Applies all previously configured pin levels, termination modes, clocks, triggers, and pattern timing to a digital pattern instrument. If you do not call the *nidigital.Session.commit()* method, then the initiate method or the *nidigital.Session.burst\_pattern()* method will implicitly call this method for you. Calling this method moves the session from the Uncommitted state to the Committed state.

### configure\_active\_load\_levels

#### nidigital.Session.configure\_active\_load\_levels(iol, ioh, vcom)

Configures  $I_{OL}$ ,  $I_{OH}$ , and  $V_{COM}$  levels for the active load on the pins you specify. The DUT sources or sinks current based on the level values. To enable active load, set the termination mode to  $ACTIVE\_LOAD$ . To disable active load, set the termination mode of the instrument to  $HIGH_Z$  or VTERM.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Parameters**

- iol (float) Maximum current that the DUT sinks while outputting a voltage below  $V_{COM}$ .
- ioh (float) Maximum current that the DUT sources while outputting a voltage above  $V_{COM}.$
- **vcom** (*float*) Commutating voltage level at which the active load circuit switches between sourcing current and sinking current.

## configure\_pattern\_burst\_sites

#### nidigital.Session.configure\_pattern\_burst\_sites()

Configures which sites burst the pattern on the next call to the initiate method. The pattern burst sites can also be modified through the repeated capabilities for the *nidigital.Session*. *burst\_pattern()* method. If a site has been disabled through the *nidigital.Session*. *disable\_sites()* method, the site does not burst a pattern even if included in the pattern burst sites.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

# configure\_time\_set\_compare\_edges\_strobe

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### Parameters

- time\_set\_name (str) The specified time set name.
- **strobe\_edge** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Time when the comparison happens within a vector period.

### configure\_time\_set\_compare\_edges\_strobe2x

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

- time\_set\_name (*str*) The specified time set name.
- **strobe\_edge** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Time when the comparison happens within a vector period.
- **strobe2\_edge** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Time when the comparison happens for the second DUT cycle within a vector period.

# configure\_time\_set\_drive\_edges

```
nidigital.Session.configure_time_set_drive_edges(time_set_name, for-
mat, drive_on_edge,
drive_data_edge,
drive_return_edge,
drive_off_edge)
Configures the drive format and drive edge placement for the specified pins. Use this method
to modify time set values after applying a timing sheet with the nidigital_Session
```

to modify time set values after applying a timing sheet with the *nidigital.Session*. *apply\_levels\_and\_timing()* method, or to create time sets programmatically without the use of timing sheets. This method does not modify the timing sheet file or the timing sheet contents that will be used in future calls to *nidigital.Session.apply\_levels\_and\_timing()*; it only affects the values of the current timing context.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

- time\_set\_name (str) The specified time set name.
- **format** (*nidigital.DriveFormat*) Drive format of the time set.
  - NR: Non-return.
  - *RL*: Return to low.
  - *RH*: Return to high.
  - *SBC*: Surround by complement.
- **drive\_on\_edge** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) – Delay, in seconds, from the beginning of the vector period for turning on the pin driver. This option applies only when the prior vector left the pin in a non-drive pin state (L, H, X, V, M, E). For the SBC format, this option specifies the delay from the beginning of the vector period at which the complement of the pattern value is driven.
- **drive\_data\_edge** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Delay, in seconds, from the beginning of the vector period until the pattern data is driven to the pattern value. The ending state from the previous vector persists until this point.
- **drive\_return\_edge** (hightime.timedelta, datetime. timedelta, or float in seconds) – Delay, in seconds, from the beginning of the vector period until the pin changes from the pattern data to the return value, as specified in the format.
- drive\_off\_edge (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) - Delay, in seconds, from the beginning of the vector period to turn off the pin driver when the next vector period uses a non-drive symbol (L, H, X, V, M, E).

# configure\_time\_set\_drive\_edges2x

nidigital.Session.configure\_time\_set\_drive\_edges2x(time\_set\_name, format, drive\_on\_edge, drive\_data\_edge, drive\_return\_edge, drive\_off\_edge, drive\_data2\_edge, drive\_return2\_edge) Configures the drive edges of the pins in the time set, including 2x edges. Use this method

Configures the drive edges of the pins in the time set, including 2x edges. Use this method to modify time set values after applying a timing sheet with the *nidigital.Session*. *apply\_levels\_and\_timing()* method, or to create time sets programmatically without the use of timing sheets. This method does not modify the timing sheet file or the timing sheet contents that will be used in future calls to *nidigital.Session.apply\_levels\_and\_timing()*; it only affects the values of the current timing context.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

- time\_set\_name (str) The specified time set name.
- **format** (*nidigital.DriveFormat*) Drive format of the time set.
  - NR: Non-return.
  - *RL*: Return to low.
  - *RH*: Return to high.
  - *SBC*: Surround by complement.
- **drive\_on\_edge** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) – Delay, in seconds, from the beginning of the vector period for turning on the pin driver. This option applies only when the prior vector left the pin in a non-drive pin state (L, H, X, V, M, E). For the SBC format, this option specifies the delay from the beginning of the vector period at which the complement of the pattern value is driven.
- **drive\_data\_edge** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Delay, in seconds, from the beginning of the vector period until the pattern data is driven to the pattern value. The ending state from the previous vector persists until this point.
- **drive\_return\_edge** (hightime.timedelta, datetime. timedelta, or float in seconds) – Delay, in seconds, from the beginning of the vector period until the pin changes from the pattern data to the return value, as specified in the format.
- drive\_off\_edge (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Delay, in seconds, from the beginning of the vector period to turn off the pin driver when the next vector period uses a non-drive symbol (L, H, X, V, M, E).

- drive\_data2\_edge (hightime.timedelta, datetime. timedelta, or float in seconds) – Delay, in seconds, from the beginning of the vector period until the pattern data in the second DUT cycle is driven to the pattern value.
- drive\_return2\_edge (hightime.timedelta, datetime. timedelta, or float in seconds) – Delay, in seconds, from the beginning of the vector period until the pin changes from the pattern data in the second DUT cycle to the return value, as specified in the format.

# configure\_time\_set\_drive\_format

# nidigital.Session.configure\_time\_set\_drive\_format(time\_set\_name,

drive format)

Configures the drive format for the pins specified in the **pinList**. Use this method to modify time set values after applying a timing sheet with the *nidigital.Session*. *apply\_levels\_and\_timing()* method, or to create time sets programmatically without the use of timing sheets. This method does not modify the timing sheet file or the timing sheet contents that will be used in future calls to *nidigital.Session.apply\_levels\_and\_timing()*; it only affects the values of the current timing context.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

# **Parameters**

- time\_set\_name (*str*) The specified time set name.
- **drive\_format** (*nidigital.DriveFormat*) **Drive** format of the time set.
  - *NR*: Non-return.
  - *RL*: Return to low.
  - *RH*: Return to high.
  - *SBC*: Surround by complement.

# configure\_time\_set\_edge

nidigital.Session.configure\_time\_set\_edge(time\_set\_name, edge, time)

Configures the edge placement for the pins specified in the pin list. Use this method to modify time set values after applying a timing sheet with the *nidigital.Session*. *apply\_levels\_and\_timing()* method, or to create time sets programmatically without the use of timing sheets. This method does not modify the timing sheet file or the timing sheet contents that will be used in future calls to *nidigital.Session.apply\_levels\_and\_timing()*; it only affects the values of the current timing context.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated

capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Parameters**

- time\_set\_name (*str*) The specified time set name.
- edge (nidigital.TimeSetEdgeType) Name of the edge.
  - DRIVE\_ON
  - DRIVE\_DATA
  - DRIVE\_RETURN
  - DRIVE\_OFF
  - COMPARE\_STROBE
  - DRIVE\_DATA2
  - DRIVE\_RETURN2
  - COMPARE\_STROBE2
- **time** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) – The time from the beginning of the vector period in which to place the edge.

# configure\_time\_set\_edge\_multiplier

```
nidigital.Session.configure_time_set_edge_multiplier(time_set_name,
```

*edge\_multiplier*) Configures the edge multiplier of the pins in the time set. Use this method to modify time set values after applying a timing sheet with the *nidigital.Session*. *apply\_levels\_and\_timing()* method, or to create time sets programmatically without the use of timing sheets. This method does not modify the timing sheet file or the timing sheet contents that will be used in future calls to *nidigital.Session.apply\_levels\_and\_timing()*; it only affects the values of the current timing context.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### Parameters

- **time\_set\_name** (*str*) The specified time set name.
- **edge\_multiplier** (*int*) The specified edge multiplier for the pins in the pin list.

# configure\_time\_set\_period

```
nidigital.Session.configure_time_set_period(time_set_name, period)
Configures the period of a time set. Use this method to modify time set values after applying a
```

timing sheet with the *nidigital.Session.apply\_levels\_and\_timing()* method, or to create time sets programmatically without the use of timing sheets. This method does not modify the timing sheet file or the timing sheet contents that will be used in future calls to *nidigital. Session.apply\_levels\_and\_timing()*; it only affects the values of the current timing context.

#### **Parameters**

- time\_set\_name (*str*) The specified time set name.
- **period** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Period for this time set, in seconds.

# configure\_voltage\_levels

```
nidigital.Session.configure_voltage_levels (vil, vih, vol, voh, vterm)
Configures voltage levels for the pins you specify.
```

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### **Parameters**

- **vil** (*float*) Voltage that the instrument will apply to the input of the DUT when the pin driver drives a logic low (0).
- **vih** (*float*) Voltage that the instrument will apply to the input of the DUT when the test instrument drives a logic high (1).
- **vol** (*float*) Output voltage below which the comparator on the pin driver interprets a logic low (L).
- **voh** (*float*) Output voltage above which the comparator on the pin driver interprets a logic high (H).
- **vterm** (*float*) Termination voltage the instrument applies during non-drive cycles when the termination mode is set to  $V_{term}$ . The instrument applies the termination voltage through a 50 ohm parallel termination resistance.

# create\_capture\_waveform\_from\_file\_digicapture

nidigital.Session.create\_capture\_waveform\_from\_file\_digicapture(waveform\_name,

wave-

*form\_file\_path*) Creates a capture waveform with the configuration information from a Digicapture file generated by the Digital Pattern Editor.

#### **Parameters**

• waveform\_name (*str*) – Waveform name you want to use. You must specify waveform\_name if the file contains multiple waveforms. Use the waveform\_name with the capture\_start opcode in your pattern.

• waveform\_file\_path (*str*) – Absolute file path to the capture waveform file (.digicapture) you want to load.

### create\_capture\_waveform\_parallel

nidigital.Session.create\_capture\_waveform\_parallel (waveform\_name)
Sets the capture waveform settings for parallel acquisition. Settings apply across all sites if multiple
sites are configured in the pin map. You cannot reconfigure settings after waveforms are created.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters waveform\_name** (*str*) – Waveform name you want to use. Use the waveform\_name with the capture\_start opcode in your pattern.

# create\_capture\_waveform\_serial

nidigital.Session.create\_capture\_waveform\_serial (*waveform\_name*, sample\_width, bit\_order) Sets the capture waveform settings for serial acquisition. Settings apply across all sites if multiple sites are configured in the pin map. You cannot reconfigure settings after waveforms are created.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### **Parameters**

- waveform\_name (*str*) Waveform name you want to use. Use the waveform\_name with the capture\_start opcode in your pattern.
- **sample\_width** (*int*) Width in bits of each serial sample. Valid values are between 1 and 32.
- **bit\_order** (*nidigital*.*BitOrder*) Order in which to shift the bits.
  - MSB: Specifies the bit order by most significant bit first.
  - *LSB*: Specifies the bit order by least significant bit first.

# create\_source\_waveform\_from\_file\_tdms

nidigital.Session.create\_source\_waveform\_from\_file\_tdms (waveform\_name,

wave-

form\_file\_path,

*write\_waveform\_data=True*)

Creates a source waveform with configuration information from a TDMS file generated by the Digital Pattern Editor. It also optionally writes waveform data from the file.

## **Parameters**

- waveform\_name (*str*) The waveform name you want to use from the file. You must specify waveform\_name if the file contains multiple waveforms. Use the waveform\_name with the source\_start opcode in your pattern.
- **waveform\_file\_path** (*str*) Absolute file path to the load source waveform file (.tdms).
- write\_waveform\_data (bool) A Boolean that writes waveform data to source memory if True and the waveform data is in the file.

### create\_source\_waveform\_parallel

```
nidigital.Session.create_source_waveform_parallel(waveform_name,
```

data\_mapping)

Sets the source waveform settings required for parallel sourcing. Settings apply across all sites if multiple sites are configured in the pin map. You cannot reconfigure settings after waveforms are created.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Parameters**

- waveform\_name (*str*) The name to assign to the waveform. Use the waveform\_name with source\_start opcode in your pattern.
- **data\_mapping** (*nidigital.SourceDataMapping*) Parameter that specifies how to map data on multiple sites.
  - BROADCAST: Broadcasts the waveform you specify to all sites.
  - *SITE\_UNIQUE*: Sources unique waveform data to each site.

# create\_source\_waveform\_serial

nidigital.Session.create\_source\_waveform\_serial(waveform\_name,

data\_mapping, sam-

*ple\_width*, *bit\_order*)

Sets the source waveform settings required for serial sourcing. Settings apply across all sites if multiple sites are configured in the pin map. You cannot reconfigure settings after waveforms are created.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

- waveform\_name (*str*) The name to assign to the waveform. Use the waveform\_name with source\_start opcode in your pattern.
- **data\_mapping** (*nidigital.SourceDataMapping*) Parameter that specifies how to map data on multiple sites.
  - BROADCAST: Broadcasts the waveform you specify to all sites.
  - *SITE\_UNIQUE*: Sources unique waveform data to each site.
- **sample\_width** (*int*) Width in bits of each serial sample. Valid values are between 1 and 32.
- **bit\_order** (*nidigital.BitOrder*) Order in which to shift the bits.
  - MSB: Specifies the bit order by most significant bit first.
  - LSB: Specifies the bit order by least significant bit first.

# create\_time\_set

```
nidigital.Session.create_time_set(name)
```

Creates a time set with the name that you specify. Use this method when you want to create time sets programmatically rather than with a timing sheet.

**Parameters name** (*str*) – The specified name of the new time set.

# delete\_all\_time\_sets

nidigital.Session.delete\_all\_time\_sets()
Deletes all time sets from instrument memory.

# disable\_sites

# nidigital.Session.disable\_sites()

Disables specified sites. Disabled sites are not included in pattern bursts initiated by the initiate method or the *nidigital.Session.burst\_pattern()* method, even if the site is specified in the list of pattern burst sites in *nidigital.Session.configure\_pattern\_burst\_sites()* method or in the repeated capabilities for the *nidigital.Session.burst\_pattern()* method. Additionally, if you specify a list of pin or pin group names in repeated capabilities in any NI-Digital method, digital pattern instrument channels mapped to disabled sites are not affected by the method. The methods that return perpin data, such as the *nidigital.Session.ppmu\_measure()* method, do not return data for channels mapped to disabled sites. The digital pattern instrument channels mapped to the sites specified are left in their current state. NI TestStand Semiconductor Module requires all sites to always be enabled, and manages the set of active sites without disabling the sites in the digital instrument session. Do not use this method with the Semiconductor Module.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

# enable\_sites

```
nidigital.Session.enable_sites()
```

Enables the sites you specify. All sites are enabled by default.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

# fetch\_capture\_waveform

```
nidigital.Session.fetch_capture_waveform(waveform_name, sam-
ples_to_read, time-
out=hightime.timedelta(seconds=10.0))
Returns dictionary where each key is a site number and value is a collection of digital states repre-
senting capture waveform data
```

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### Parameters

- waveform\_name (*str*) Waveform name you create with the create capture waveform method. Use the waveform\_name parameter with capture\_start opcode in your pattern.
- **samples\_to\_read** (*int*) Number of samples to fetch.
- timeout (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Maximum time (in seconds) allowed for this method to complete. If this method does not complete within this time interval, this method returns an error.
- **Return type** { int: memoryview of array.array of unsigned int, int: memoryview of array.array of unsigned int, .. }
- **Returns** Dictionary where each key is a site number and value is a collection of digital states representing capture waveform data

## fetch\_history\_ram\_cycle\_information

# nidigital.Session.fetch\_history\_ram\_cycle\_information(position, sam-

ples\_to\_read)

Returns the pattern information acquired for the specified cycles.

If the pattern is using the edge multiplier feature, cycle numbers represent tester cycles, each of which may consist of multiple DUT cycles. When using pins with mixed edge multipliers, pins may return *PIN\_STATE\_NOT\_ACQUIRED* for DUT cycles where those pins do not have edges defined.

Site number on which to retrieve pattern information must be specified via sites repeated capability. The method returns an error if more than one site is specified.

Pins for which to retrieve pattern information must be specified via pins repeated capability. If pins are not specified, pin list from the pattern containing the start label is used. Call *nidigital*. *Session.get\_pattern\_pin\_names()* with the start label to retrieve the pins associated with the pattern burst:

```
session.sites[0].pins['PinA', 'PinB'].fetch_history_ram_cycle_

→information(0, -1)
```

**Note:** Before bursting a pattern, you must configure the History RAM trigger and specify which cycles to acquire.

*nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_trigger\_type* should be used to specify the trigger condition on which History RAM starts acquiring pattern information.

If History RAM trigger is configured as CYCLE\_NUMBER, nidigital.Session. cycle\_number\_history\_ram\_trigger\_cycle\_number should be used to specify the cycle number on which History RAM starts acquiring pattern information.

If History RAM trigger is configured as *PATTERN\_LABEL*, *nidigital.Session*. *pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_label* should be used to specify the pattern label from which to start acquiring pattern information. *nidigital*. *Session.pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_vector\_offset* should be used to specify the number of vectors following the specified pattern label from which to start acquiring pattern information. *nidigital.Session*. *pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_cycle\_offset* should be used to specify the number of cycles following the specified pattern label and vector offset from which to start acquiring pattern information.

For all History RAM trigger conditions, *nidigital.Session. history\_ram\_pretrigger\_samples* should be used to specify the number of samples to acquire before the trigger conditions are met. If you configure History RAM to only acquire failed cycles, you must set *nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_pretrigger\_samples* to 0.

*nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_cycles\_to\_acquire* should be used to specify which cycles History RAM acquires after the trigger conditions are met.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### Parameters

- **position** (*int*) Sample index from which to start fetching pattern information.
- **samples\_to\_read** (*int*) Number of samples to fetch. A value of -1 specifies to fetch all available samples.

Return type list of HistoryRAMCycleInformation

Returns

Returns a list of class instances with the following information about each pattern cycle:

- pattern\_name (str) Name of the pattern for the acquired cycle.
- time\_set\_name (str) Time set for the acquired cycle.
- **vector\_number** (int) Vector number within the pattern for the acquired cycle. Vector numbers start at 0 from the beginning of the pattern.
- **cycle\_number** (int) Cycle number acquired by this History RAM sample. Cycle numbers start at 0 from the beginning of the pattern burst.
- scan\_cycle\_number (int) Scan cycle number acquired by this History RAM sample. Scan cycle numbers start at 0 from the first cycle of the scan vector. Scan cycle numbers are -1 for cycles that do not have a scan opcode.
- expected\_pin\_states (list of list of enums.PinState) Pin states as expected by the loaded pattern in the order specified in the pin list. Pins without defined edges in the specified DUT cycle will have a value of *PIN\_STATE\_NOT\_ACQUIRED*. Length of the outer list will be equal to the value of edge multiplier for the given vector. Length of the inner list will be equal to the number of pins requested.
- actual\_pin\_states (list of list of enums.PinState) Pin states acquired by History RAM in the order specified in the pin list. Pins without defined edges in the specified DUT cycle will have a value of *PIN\_STATE\_NOT\_ACQUIRED*. Length of the outer list will be equal to the value of edge multiplier for the given vector. Length of the inner list will be equal to the number of pins requested.
- **per\_pin\_pass\_fail** (list of list of bool) Pass fail information for pins in the order specified in the pin list. Pins without defined edges in the specified DUT cycle will have a value of pass (True). Length of the outer list will be equal to the value of edge multiplier for the given vector. Length of the inner list will be equal to the number of pins requested.

#### frequency\_counter\_measure\_frequency

```
nidigital.Session.frequency_counter_measure_frequency()
```

Measures the frequency on the specified channel(s) over the specified measurement time. All channels in the repeated capabilities should have the same measurement time.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

Return type list of float

**Returns** The returned frequency counter measurement, in Hz.This method returns -1 if the measurement is invalid for the channel.

# get\_channel\_names

```
nidigital.Session.get_channel_names(indices)
```

Returns a comma-separated list of channel names from a string index list.

**Parameters indices** (*basic sequence types or str or int*) – Index list for the channels in the session. Valid values are from zero to the total number of channels in the session minus one. The index string can be one of the following formats:

- A comma-separated list—for example, "0,2,3,1"
- A range using a hyphen—for example, "0-3"
- A range using a colon—for example, "0:3 "

You can combine comma-separated lists and ranges that use a hyphen or colon. Both out-of-order and repeated indices are supported ("2,3,0," "1,2,2,3"). White space characters, including spaces, tabs, feeds, and carriage returns, are allowed between characters. Ranges can be incrementing or decrementing.

#### Return type list of str

**Returns** The returned channel name(s) at the specified index.

# get\_fail\_count

```
nidigital.Session.get_fail_count()
```

Returns the comparison fail count for pins in the repeated capabilities.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### Return type list of int

**Returns** Number of failures in an array. If a site is disabled or not enabled for burst, the method does not return data for that site. You can also use the *nidigital.Session.get\_pin\_results\_pin\_information()* method to obtain a sorted list of returned sites and channels.

# get\_history\_ram\_sample\_count

```
nidigital.Session.get_history_ram_sample_count()
```

Returns the number of samples History RAM acquired on the last pattern burst.

**Note:** Before bursting a pattern, you must configure the History RAM trigger and specify which cycles to acquire.

*nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_trigger\_type* should be used to specify the trigger condition on which History RAM starts acquiring pattern information.

If History RAM trigger is configured as CYCLE\_NUMBER, nidigital.Session. cycle\_number\_history\_ram\_trigger\_cycle\_number should be used to specify the cycle number on which History RAM starts acquiring pattern information.

If History RAM trigger is configured as PATTERN\_LABEL, nidigital.Session. pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_label should be used to specify the pattern label from which to start acquiring pattern information. nidigital. Session.pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_vector\_offset should be used to specify the number of vectors following the specified pattern label from which to start acquiring pattern information. *nidigital.Session*. *pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_cycle\_offset* should be used to specify the number of cycles following the specified pattern label and vector offset from which to start acquiring pattern information.

For all History RAM trigger conditions, *nidigital.Session*. *history\_ram\_pretrigger\_samples* should be used to specify the number of samples to acquire before the trigger conditions are met. If you configure History RAM to only acquire failed cycles, you must set *nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_pretrigger\_samples* to 0.

nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_cycles\_to\_acquire should be used to specify which cycles History RAM acquires after the trigger conditions are met.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### Return type int

**Returns** The returned number of samples that History RAM acquired.

# get\_pattern\_pin\_names

```
nidigital.Session.get_pattern_pin_names (start_label)
Returns the pattern pin list.
```

**Parameters start\_label** (*str*) – Pattern name or exported pattern label from which to get the pin names that the pattern references.

Return type list of str

Returns List of pins referenced by the pattern with the startLabel.

# get\_pin\_results\_pin\_information

### nidigital.Session.get\_pin\_results\_pin\_information()

Returns the pin names, site numbers, and channel names that correspond to per-pin data read from the digital pattern instrument. The method returns pin information in the same order as values read using the *nidigital.Session.read\_static()* method, *nidigital.Session.ppmu\_measure()* method, and *nidigital.Session.get\_fail\_count()* method. Use this method to match values the previously listed methods return with pins, sites, and instrument channels.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

Return type list of PinInfo

# Returns

List of named tuples with fields:

- pin\_name (str)
- site\_number (int)
- channel\_name (str)

# get\_site\_pass\_fail

```
nidigital.Session.get_site_pass_fail()
```

Returns dictionary where each key is a site number and value is pass/fail

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Return type** { int: bool, int: bool, .. }

Returns Dictionary where each key is a site number and value is pass/fail

# get\_time\_set\_drive\_format

nidigital.Session.get\_time\_set\_drive\_format (time\_set\_name)
Returns the drive format of a pin in the specified time set.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters time\_set\_name** (*str*) – The specified time set name.

**Return type** *nidigital.DriveFormat* 

Returns Returned drive format of the time set for the specified pin.

# get\_time\_set\_edge

nidigital.Session.get\_time\_set\_edge (time\_set\_name, edge)
Returns the edge time of a pin in the specified time set.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### **Parameters**

- time\_set\_name (str) The specified time set name.
- **edge** (*nidigital*. *TimeSetEdgeType*) Name of the edge.
  - DRIVE\_ON
  - DRIVE\_DATA
  - DRIVE\_RETURN
  - DRIVE\_OFF
  - COMPARE\_STROBE
  - DRIVE\_DATA2
  - DRIVE\_RETURN2
  - COMPARE\_STROBE2

Return type hightime.timedelta

**Returns** Time from the beginning of the vector period in which to place the edge.

# get\_time\_set\_edge\_multiplier

```
nidigital.Session.get_time_set_edge_multiplier(time_set_name)
Returns the edge multiplier of the specified time set.
```

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters time\_set\_name** (*str*) – The specified time set name.

**Return type** int

Returns Returned edge multiplier of the time set for the specified pin.

# get\_time\_set\_period

**Parameters time\_set\_name** (*str*) – The specified time set name.

Return type hightime.timedelta

Returns Returned period, in seconds, that the edge is configured to.

# initiate

```
nidigital.Session.initiate()
```

Starts bursting the pattern configured by nidigital.Session.start\_label, causing the

NI-Digital session to be committed. To stop the pattern burst, call *nidigital.Session. abort()*. If keep alive pattern is bursting when *nidigital.Session.abort()* is called or upon exiting the context manager, keep alive pattern will not be stopped. To stop the keep alive pattern, call *nidigital.Session.abort\_keep\_alive()*.

**Note:** This method will return a Python context manager that will initiate on entering and abort on exit.

# is\_done

nidigital.Session.is\_done()

Checks the hardware to determine if the pattern burst has completed or if any errors have occurred.

#### Return type bool

**Returns** A Boolean that indicates whether the pattern burst completed.

#### is\_site\_enabled

nidigital.Session.is\_site\_enabled()

Checks if a specified site is enabled.

Note: The method returns an error if more than one site is specified.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### Return type bool

**Returns** Boolean value that returns whether the site is enabled or disabled.

# load\_pattern

nidigital.Session.load\_pattern (*file\_path*) Loads the specified pattern file.

**Parameters file\_path** (*str*) – Absolute file path of the binary .digipat pattern file to load. Specify the pattern to burst using *nidigital.Session.start\_label* or the start\_label parameter of the *nidigital.Session.burst\_pattern()* method.

# load\_pin\_map

```
nidigital.Session.load_pin_map (file_path)
Loads a pin map file. You can load only a single pin and channel map file during an NI-Digital Pat-
```

tern Driver session. To switch pin maps, create a new session or call the *nidigital.Session. reset()* method.

**Parameters file\_path** (*str*) – Absolute file path to a pin map file created with the Digital Pattern Editor or the NI TestStand Semiconductor Module.

# load\_specifications\_levels\_and\_timing

nidigital.Session.load\_specifications\_levels\_and\_timing (specifications\_file\_paths=None,

lev-

els\_file\_paths=None, tim-

ing\_file\_paths=None)

Loads settings in specifications, levels, and timing sheets. These settings are not applied to the digital pattern instrument until nidigital.Session.apply\_levels\_and\_timing() is called.

If the levels and timing sheets contains formulas, they are evaluated at load time. If the formulas refer to variables, the specifications sheets that define those variables must be loaded either first, or at the same time as the levels and timing sheets.

### **Parameters**

- **specifications\_file\_paths** (*str* or *basic* sequence of *str*) Absolute file path of one or more specifications files.
- **levels\_file\_paths** (*str or basic sequence of str*) Absolute file path of one or more levels sheet files.
- timing\_file\_paths (*str or basic sequence of str*) Absolute file path of one or more timing sheet files.

# lock

nidigital.Session.lock()

Obtains a multithread lock on the device session. Before doing so, the software waits until all other execution threads release their locks on the device session.

Other threads may have obtained a lock on this session for the following reasons:

- The application called the *nidigital.Session.lock()* method.
- A call to NI-Digital Pattern Driver locked the session.
- After a call to the *nidigital.Session.lock()* method returns successfully, no other threads can access the device session until you call the *nidigital.Session.unlock()* method or exit out of the with block when using lock context manager.
- Use the *nidigital.Session.lock()* method and the *nidigital.Session.unlock()* method around a sequence of calls to instrument driver methods if you require that the device retain its settings through the end of the sequence.

You can safely make nested calls to the *nidigital.Session.lock()* method within the same thread. To completely unlock the session, you must balance each call to the *nidigital.Session.lock()* method with a call to the *nidigital.Session.unlock()* method.

One method for ensuring there are the same number of unlock method calls as there is lock calls is to use lock as a context manager

```
with nidigital.Session('dev1') as session:
    with session.lock():
        # Calls to session within a single lock context
```

The first with block ensures the session is closed regardless of any exceptions raised

The second with block ensures that unlock is called regardless of any exceptions raised

### Return type context manager

**Returns** When used in a *with* statement, *nidigital.Session.lock()* acts as a context manager and unlock will be called when the *with* block is exited

#### ppmu\_measure

nidigital.Session.ppmu\_measure(measurement\_type)

Instructs the PPMU to measure voltage or current. This method can be called to take a voltage measurement even if the pin method is not set to PPMU.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters measurement\_type** (*nidigital.PPMUMeasurementType*) – Parameter that specifies whether the PPMU measures voltage or current from the DUT.

- CURRENT: The PPMU measures current from the DUT.
- VOLTAGE: The PPMU measures voltage from the DUT.

### Return type list of float

**Returns** The returned array of measurements in the order you specify in the repeated capabilities. If a site is disabled, the method does not return data for that site. You can also use the *nidigital.Session.get\_pin\_results\_pin\_information()* method to obtain a sorted list of returned sites and channels.

# ppmu\_source

```
nidigital.Session.ppmu_source()
```

Starts sourcing voltage or current from the PPMU. This method automatically selects the PPMU method. Changes to PPMU source settings do not take effect until you call this method. If you modify source settings after you call this method, you must call this method again for changes in the configuration to take effect.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

# read\_sequencer\_flag

#### nidigital.Session.read\_sequencer\_flag(flag)

Reads the state of a pattern sequencer flag. Use pattern sequencer flags to coordinate execution between the pattern sequencer and a runtime test program.

**Parameters flag** (*nidigital.SequencerFlag*) – The pattern sequencer flag you want to read.

- FLAGO ("seqflag0"): Reads pattern sequencer flag 0.
- FLAG1 ("seqflag1"): Reads pattern sequencer flag 1.
- FLAG2 ("seqflag2"): Reads pattern sequencer flag 2.
- *FLAG3* ("seqflag3"): Reads pattern sequencer flag 3.

#### Return type bool

**Returns** A Boolean that indicates the state of the pattern sequencer flag you specify.

# read\_sequencer\_register

#### nidigital.Session.read\_sequencer\_register(reg)

Reads the value of a pattern sequencer register. Use pattern sequencer registers to pass numeric values between the pattern sequencer and a runtime test program. For example, you can use this method to read a register modified by the write\_reg opcode during a pattern burst.

**Parameters reg** (*nidigital.SequencerRegister*) – The sequencer register to read from.

- *REGISTER0* ("reg0"): Reads sequencer register 0.
- *REGISTER1* ("reg1"): Reads sequencer register 1.
- *REGISTER2* ("reg2"): Reads sequencer register 2.
- *REGISTER3* ("reg3"): Reads sequencer register 3.
- *REGISTER4* ("reg4"): Reads sequencer register 4.
- *REGISTER5* ("reg5"): Reads sequencer register 5.
- *REGISTER6* ("reg6"): Reads sequencer register 6.
- *REGISTER7* ("reg7"): Reads sequencer register 7.
- *REGISTER8* ("reg8"): Reads sequencer register 8.
- *REGISTER9* ("reg9"): Reads sequencer register 9.
- *REGISTER10* ("reg10"): Reads sequencer register 10.
- *REGISTER11* ("reg11"): Reads sequencer register 11.
- *REGISTER12* ("reg12"): Reads sequencer register 12.
- *REGISTER13* ("reg13"): Reads sequencer register 13.
- *REGISTER14* ("reg14"): Reads sequencer register 14.
- *REGISTER15* ("reg15"): Reads sequencer register 15.

# Return type int

Returns Value read from the sequencer register.

# read\_static

#### nidigital.Session.read\_static()

Reads the current state of comparators for pins you specify in the repeated capabilities. If there are uncommitted changes to levels or the termination mode, this method commits the changes to the pins.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Return type** list of *nidigital*.*PinState*

# Returns

The returned array of pin states read from the channels in the repeated capabilities. Data is returned in the order you specify in the repeated capabilities. If a site is disabled, the method does not return data for that site. You can also use the *nidigital.Session.get\_pin\_results\_pin\_information()* method to obtain a sorted list of returned sites and channels.

- L: The comparators read a logic low pin state.
- *H*: The comparators read a logic high pin state.
- *M*: The comparators read a midband pin state.
- *V*: The comparators read a value that is above VOH and below VOL, which can occur when you set VOL higher than VOH.

#### reset

```
nidigital.Session.reset()
```

Returns a digital pattern instrument to a known state. This method performs the following actions:

- Aborts pattern execution.
- Clears pin maps, time sets, source and capture waveforms, and patterns.
- Resets all properties to default values, including the *nidigital.Session*. *selected\_function* property that is set to *DISCONNECT*, causing the I/O switches to open.
- Stops exporting all external signals and events.

# reset\_device

```
nidigital.Session.reset_device()
```

Returns a digital pattern instrument to a known state. This method performs the following actions:

- Aborts pattern execution.
- Clears pin maps, time sets, source and capture waveforms, and patterns.

- Resets all properties to default values, including the *nidigital.Session*. *selected\_function* property that is set to *DISCONNECT*, causing the I/O switches to open.
- Stops export of all external signals and events.
- Clears over-temperature and over-power conditions.

# self\_calibrate

```
nidigital.Session.self_calibrate()
    Performs self-calibration on a digital pattern instrument.
```

# self\_test

```
nidigital.Session.self_test()
```

Returns self test results from a digital pattern instrument. This test requires several minutes to execute.

Raises SelfTestError on self test failure. Properties on exception object:

- code failure code from driver
- message status message from driver

Self-Test Code	Description
0	Self test passed.
1	Self test failed.

# send\_software\_edge\_trigger

nidigital.Session.send\_software\_edge\_trigger(trigger, trigger\_identifier)
Forces a particular edge-based trigger to occur regardless of how the specified trigger is configured.
You can use this method as a software override.

# **Parameters**

• **trigger** (*nidigital.SoftwareTrigger*) – Trigger specifies the trigger you want to override.

Defined		
Values		
START	Overrides the Start trigger. You must specify an empty string in	
	the trigger_identifier parameter.	
CONDITIONALSpecifies to route a conditional jump trigger. You must specify a		
	conditional jump trigger in the trigger_identifier parameter.	

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

• **trigger\_identifier** (*str*) - Trigger Identifier specifies the instance of the trigger you want to override. If trigger is specified as NIDIGITAL\_VAL\_START\_TRIGGER, this parameter must be an empty string. If trigger is specified as NIDIGITAL\_VAL\_CONDITIONAL\_JUMP\_TRIGGER, allowed values are conditionalJumpTrigger0, conditionalJumpTrigger1, conditionalJumpTrigger2, and conditionalJumpTrigger3.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

# tdr

```
nidigital.Session.tdr (apply_offsets=True)
```

Measures propagation delays through cables, connectors, and load boards using Time-Domain Reflectometry (TDR). Ensure that the channels and pins you select are connected to an open circuit.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters** apply\_offsets (bool) - A Boolean that specifies whether to apply the measured TDR offsets. If you need to adjust the measured offsets prior to applying, set this input to False, and call the *nidigital.Session.apply\_tdr\_offsets()* method to specify the adjusted TDR offsets values.

Return type list of hightime.timedelta

Returns Measured TDR offsets specified in seconds.

# unload\_all\_patterns

nidigital.Session.unload\_all\_patterns (unload\_keep\_alive\_pattern=False) Unloads all patterns, source waveforms, and capture waveforms from a digital pattern instrument.

**Parameters unload\_keep\_alive\_pattern** (bool) – A Boolean that specifies whether to keep or unload the keep alive pattern.

# unload\_specifications

nidigital.Session.unload\_specifications(file\_paths)

Unloads the given specifications sheets present in the previously loaded specifications files that you select.

You must call *nidigital.Session.load\_specifications\_levels\_and\_timing()* to reload the files with updated specifications values. You must then call *nidigital.Session. apply\_levels\_and\_timing()* in order to apply the levels and timing values that reference the updated specifications values.

**Parameters file\_paths** (*str or basic sequence of str*) – Absolute file path of one or more loaded specifications files.

### unlock

```
nidigital.Session.unlock()
```

```
Releases a lock that you acquired on an device session using nidigital.Session.lock(). Refer to nidigital.Session.unlock() for additional information on session locks.
```

# wait\_until\_done

nidigital.Session.wait\_until\_done (timeout=hightime.timedelta(seconds=10.0))
Waits until the pattern burst has completed or the timeout has expired.

**Parameters timeout** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) – Maximum time (in seconds) allowed for this method to complete. If this method does not complete within this time interval, this method returns an error.

### write\_sequencer\_flag

#### nidigital.Session.write\_sequencer\_flag(flag, value)

Writes the state of a pattern sequencer flag. Use pattern sequencer flags to coordinate execution between the pattern sequencer and a runtime test program.

### **Parameters**

- **flag** (*nidigital*. *SequencerFlag*) The pattern sequencer flag to write.
  - FLAGO ("seqflag0"): Writes pattern sequencer flag 0.
  - FLAG1 ("seqflag1"): Writes pattern sequencer flag 1.
  - *FLAG2* ("seqflag2"): Writes pattern sequencer flag 2.
  - FLAG3 ("seqflag3"): Writes pattern sequencer flag 3.
- **value** (bool) A Boolean that assigns a state to the pattern sequencer flag you specify.

#### write\_sequencer\_register

nidigital.Session.write\_sequencer\_register(reg, value)

Writes a value to a pattern sequencer register. Use pattern sequencer registers to pass numeric values between the pattern sequencer and a runtime test program.

- **reg** (*nidigital.SequencerRegister*) The sequencer register you want to write to.
  - *REGISTER0* ("reg0"): Writes sequencer register 0.
  - *REGISTER1* ("reg1"): Writes sequencer register 1.
  - *REGISTER2* ("reg2"): Writes sequencer register 2.
  - *REGISTER3* ("reg3"): Writes sequencer register 3.
  - *REGISTER4* ("reg4"): Writes sequencer register 4.
  - *REGISTER5* ("reg5"): Writes sequencer register 5.

- REGISTER6 ("reg6"): Writes sequencer register 6.
- *REGISTER7* ("reg7"): Writes sequencer register 7.
- *REGISTER8* ("reg8"): Writes sequencer register 8.
- *REGISTER9* ("reg9"): Writes sequencer register 9.
- REGISTER10 ("reg10"): Writes sequencer register 10.
- *REGISTER11* ("reg11"): Writes sequencer register 11.
- *REGISTER12* ("reg12"): Writes sequencer register 12.
- *REGISTER13* ("reg13"): Writes sequencer register 13.
- *REGISTER14* ("reg14"): Writes sequencer register 14.
- *REGISTER15* ("reg15"): Writes sequencer register 15.
- value (*int*) The value you want to write to the register.

#### write\_source\_waveform\_broadcast

#### nidigital.Session.write\_source\_waveform\_broadcast (waveform\_name, wave-

form\_data)

Writes the same waveform data to all sites. Use this write method if you set the data\_mapping parameter of the create source waveform method to *BROADCAST*.

#### **Parameters**

- waveform\_name (*str*) The name to assign to the waveform. Use the waveform\_name with source\_start opcode in your pattern.
- waveform\_data (list of int) 1D array of samples to use as source data to apply to all sites.

write\_source\_waveform\_data\_from\_file\_tdms

```
nidigital.Session.write_source_waveform_data_from_file_tdms (waveform_name,
```

*waveform\_file\_path*)

Writes a source waveform based on the waveform data and configuration information the file contains.

#### **Parameters**

- waveform\_name (*str*) The name to assign to the waveform. Use the waveform\_name with source\_start opcode in your pattern.
- **waveform\_file\_path** (*str*) Absolute file path to the load source waveform file (.tdms).

### write\_source\_waveform\_site\_unique

```
nidigital.Session.write_source_waveform_site_unique(waveform_name,
```

waveform\_data)

Writes one waveform per site. Use this write method if you set the parameter of the create source waveform method to Site Unique.

#### **Parameters**

- waveform\_name (*str*) The name to assign to the waveform. Use the waveform\_name with source\_start opcode in your pattern.
- waveform\_data ({ int: basic sequence of unsigned int, int: basic sequence of unsigned int, ...}) - Dictionary where each key is a site number and value is a collection of samples to use as source data

### write\_static

#### nidigital.Session.write\_static(state)

Writes a static state to the specified pins. The selected pins remain in the specified state until the next pattern burst or call to this method. If there are uncommitted changes to levels or the termination mode, this method commits the changes to the pins. This method does not change the selected pin method. If you write a static state to a pin that does not have the Digital method selected, the new static state is stored by the instrument, and affects the state of the pin the next time you change the selected method to Digital.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters state** (*nidigital*.*WriteStaticPinState*) – Parameter that specifies one of the following digital states to assign to the pin.

- *ZERO*: Specifies to drive low.
- ONE: Specifies to drive high.
- X: Specifies to not drive.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

#### **Properties**

### active\_load\_ioh

nidigital.Session.active\_load\_ioh

Specifies the current that the DUT sources to the active load while outputting a voltage above VCOM.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_ACTIVE\_LOAD\_IOH

# active\_load\_iol

#### nidigital.Session.active\_load\_iol

Specifies the current that the DUT sinks from the active load while outputting a voltage below VCOM.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_ACTIVE\_LOAD\_IOL

### active\_load\_vcom

#### nidigital.Session.active\_load\_vcom

Specifies the voltage level at which the active load circuit switches between sourcing current and sinking current.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

### • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_ACTIVE\_LOAD\_VCOM

### cache

#### nidigital.Session.cache

Specifies whether to cache the value of properties. When caching is enabled, the instrument driver keeps track of the current instrument settings and avoids sending redundant commands to the instrument. This significantly increases execution speed. Caching is always enabled in the driver, regardless of the value of this property.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

### • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_CACHE

### channel\_count

#### nidigital.Session.channel\_count

Returns the number of channels that the specific digital pattern instrument driver supports.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_CHANNEL\_COUNT

# clock\_generator\_frequency

nidigital.Session.clock\_generator\_frequency

Specifies the frequency for the clock generator.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_CLOCK\_GENERATOR\_FREQUENCY

## clock\_generator\_is\_running

nidigital.Session.clock\_generator\_is\_running Indicates whether the clock generator is running.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_CLOCK\_GENERATOR\_IS\_RUNNING

# conditional\_jump\_trigger\_terminal\_name

nidigital.Session.conditional\_jump\_trigger\_terminal\_name

Specifies the terminal name from which the exported conditional jump trigger signal may be routed to other instruments through the PXI trigger bus. You can use this signal to trigger other instruments when the conditional jump trigger instance asserts on the digital pattern instrument.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_CONDITIONAL\_JUMP\_TRIGGER\_TERMINAL\_NAME

# conditional\_jump\_trigger\_type

### nidigital.Session.conditional\_jump\_trigger\_type

Disables the conditional jump trigger or configures it for either hardware triggering or software triggering. The default value is *NONE*.

Valid Values:	
NONE	Disables the conditional jump trigger.
DIGITAL_EDGE	Configures the conditional jump trigger for hardware triggering.
SOFTWARE	Configures the conditional jump trigger for software triggering.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_CONDITIONAL\_JUMP\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

## cycle\_number\_history\_ram\_trigger\_cycle\_number

nidigital.Session.cycle\_number\_history\_ram\_trigger\_cycle\_number Specifies the cycle number on which History RAM starts acquiring pattern information when configured for a cycle number trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_CYCLE\_NUMBER\_HISTORY\_RAM\_TRIGGER\_CYCLE\_NUMBER

## digital\_edge\_conditional\_jump\_trigger\_edge

# nidigital.Session.digital\_edge\_conditional\_jump\_trigger\_edge

Configures the active edge of the incoming trigger signal for the conditional jump trigger instance. The default value is *RISING*.

Valid Values:	
RISING	Specifies the signal transition from low level to high level.
FALLING	Specifies the signal transition from high level to low level.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.DigitalEdge
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

### C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_CONDITIONAL\_JUMP\_TRIGGER\_EDGE

## digital\_edge\_conditional\_jump\_trigger\_source

## nidigital.Session.digital\_edge\_conditional\_jump\_trigger\_source

Configures the digital trigger source terminal for a conditional jump trigger instance. The PXIe-6570/6571 supports triggering through the PXI trigger bus. You can specify source terminals in one of two ways. If the digital pattern instrument is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0. The source terminal can also be a terminal from another device, in which case the NI-Digital Pattern Driver automatically finds a route (if one is available) from that terminal to the input terminal (going through a physical PXI backplane trigger line). For example, you can set the source terminal on Dev1 to be /Dev2/ConditionalJumpTrigger0. The default value is VI\_NULL.

> Valid Values: String identifier to any valid terminal name

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_CONDITIONAL\_JUMP\_TRIGGER\_SOURCE

### digital\_edge\_start\_trigger\_edge

nidigital.Session.digital\_edge\_start\_trigger\_edge

Specifies the active edge for the Start trigger. This property is used when the *nidigital*. Session.start\_trigger\_type property is set to Digital Edge.

Defined Values:	
RISING	Asserts the trigger when the signal transitions from low level to high level.
FALLING	Asserts the trigger when the signal transitions from high level to low level.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.DigitalEdge
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_START\_TRIGGER\_EDGE

## digital\_edge\_start\_trigger\_source

### nidigital.Session.digital\_edge\_start\_trigger\_source

Specifies the source terminal for the Start trigger. This property is used when the *nidigital*. *Session.start\_trigger\_type* property is set to Digital Edge. You can specify source terminals in one of two ways. If the digital pattern instrument is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0. The source terminal can also be a terminal from another device, in which case the NI-Digital Pattern Driver automatically finds a route (if one is available) from that terminal to the input terminal (going through a physical PXI backplane trigger line). For example, you can set the source terminal on Dev1 to be /Dev2/StartTrigger.

Defined Values:	
PXI_Trig0	PXI trigger line 0
PXI_Trig1	PXI trigger line 1
PXI_Trig2	PXI trigger line 2
PXI_Trig3	PXI trigger line 3
PXI_Trig4	PXI trigger line 4
PXI_Trig5	PXI trigger line 5
PXI_Trig6	PXI trigger line 6
PXI_Trig7	PXI trigger line 7

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_START\_TRIGGER\_SOURCE

### driver\_setup

### nidigital.Session.driver\_setup

This property returns initial values for NI-Digital Pattern Driver properties as a string.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_DRIVER\_SETUP

## exported\_conditional\_jump\_trigger\_output\_terminal

nidigital.Session.exported\_conditional\_jump\_trigger\_output\_terminal Specifies the terminal to output the exported signal of the specified instance of the conditional jump trigger. The default value is VI\_NULL.

Valid Values:	
	<b>D</b> (
VI_NULL ("")	Returns an empty string
PXI_Trig0	PXI trigger line 0
PXI_Trig1	PXI trigger line 1
PXI_Trig2	PXI trigger line 2
PXI_Trig3	PXI trigger line 3
PXI_Trig4	PXI trigger line 4
PXI_Trig5	PXI trigger line 5
PXI_Trig6	PXI trigger line 6
PXI_Trig7	PXI trigger line 7

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_CONDITIONAL\_JUMP\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

### exported\_pattern\_opcode\_event\_output\_terminal

### nidigital.Session.exported\_pattern\_opcode\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination terminal for exporting the Pattern Opcode Event. Terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the digital pattern instrument is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0.

Defined Values:	
PXI_Trig0	PXI trigger line 0
PXI_Trig1	PXI trigger line 1
PXI_Trig2	PXI trigger line 2
PXI_Trig3	PXI trigger line 3
PXI_Trig4	PXI trigger line 4
PXI_Trig5	PXI trigger line 5
PXI_Trig6	PXI trigger line 6
PXI_Trig7	PXI trigger line 7

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_PATTERN\_OPCODE\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

### exported\_start\_trigger\_output\_terminal

#### nidigital.Session.exported\_start\_trigger\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination terminal for exporting the Start trigger. Terminals can be specified in one of two ways. If the digital pattern instrument is named Dev1 and your terminal is PXI\_Trig0, you can specify the terminal with the fully qualified terminal name, /Dev1/PXI\_Trig0, or with the shortened terminal name, PXI\_Trig0.

Defined Values:	
Do not export signal	The signal is not exported.
PXI_Trig0	PXI trigger line 0
PXI_Trig1	PXI trigger line 1
PXI_Trig2	PXI trigger line 2
PXI_Trig3	PXI trigger line 3
PXI_Trig4	PXI trigger line 4
PXI_Trig5	PXI trigger line 5
PXI_Trig6	PXI trigger line 6
PXI_Trig7	PXI trigger line 7

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_START\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## frequency\_counter\_hysteresis\_enabled

### nidigital.Session.frequency\_counter\_hysteresis\_enabled

Specifies whether hysteresis is enabled for the frequency counters of the digital pattern instrument.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_FREQUENCY\_COUNTER\_HYSTERESIS\_ENABLED

### frequency\_counter\_measurement\_mode

### nidigital.Session.frequency\_counter\_measurement\_mode

Determines how the frequency counters of the digital pattern instrument make measurements.

Valid	
Val-	
ues:	
BANI	Each discrete frequency counter is mapped to specific channels and makes frequency mea-
	surements from only those channels. Use banked mode when you need access to the full
	measure frequency range of the instrument. Note: If you request frequency measurements
	from multiple channels within the same bank, the measurements are made in series for the
	channels in that bank.
PARA	ATALE I discrete frequency counters make frequency measurements from all channels
	in parallel with one another. Use parallel mode to increase the speed of fre-
	quency measurements if you do not need access to the full measure frequency range
	of the instrument; in parallel mode, you can also add nidigital.Session.
	<pre>frequency_counter_hysteresis_enabled to reduce measurement noise.</pre>

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.FrequencyMeasurementMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_FREQUENCY\_COUNTER\_MEASUREMENT\_MODE

### frequency\_counter\_measurement\_time

# nidigital.Session.frequency\_counter\_measurement\_time

Specifies the measurement time for the frequency counter.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float in seconds or datetime.timedelta
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_FREQUENCY\_COUNTER\_MEASUREMENT\_TIME

## group\_capabilities

#### nidigital.Session.group\_capabilities

Returns a string that contains a comma-separated list of class-extension groups that the driver implements.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

### • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_GROUP\_CAPABILITIES

### halt\_on\_keep\_alive\_opcode

nidigital.Session.halt\_on\_keep\_alive\_opcode

Specifies whether keep\_alive opcodes should behave like halt opcodes.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_HALT\_ON\_KEEP\_ALIVE\_OPCODE

## history\_ram\_buffer\_size\_per\_site

nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_buffer\_size\_per\_site
 Specifies the size, in samples, of the host memory buffer. The default value is 32000.

Valid Values:	
0-INT64_MAX	

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_HISTORY\_RAM\_BUFFER\_SIZE\_PER\_SITE

## history\_ram\_cycles\_to\_acquire

### nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_cycles\_to\_acquire

Configures which cycles History RAM acquires after the trigger conditions are met. If you configure History RAM to only acquire failed cycles, you must set the pretrigger samples for History RAM to 0.

Defined	Val-	
ues:		
FAILED		Only acquires cycles that fail a compare after the triggering conditions are
		met.
ALL		Acquires all cycles after the triggering conditions are met.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.HistoryRAMCyclesToAcquire
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_HISTORY\_RAM\_CYCLES\_TO\_ACQUIRE

## history\_ram\_max\_samples\_to\_acquire\_per\_site

### nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_max\_samples\_to\_acquire\_per\_site

Specifies the maximum number of History RAM samples to acquire per site. If the property is set to -1, it will acquire until the History RAM buffer is full.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_HISTORY\_RAM\_MAX\_SAMPLES\_TO\_ACQUIRE\_PER\_SITE

# history\_ram\_number\_of\_samples\_is\_finite

### nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_number\_of\_samples\_is\_finite

Specifies whether the instrument acquires a finite number of History Ram samples or acquires continuously. The maximum number of samples that will be acquired when this property is set to True is determined by the instrument History RAM depth specification and the History RAM Max Samples to Acquire Per Site property. The default value is True.

Valid	
Values:	
True	Specifies that History RAM results will not stream into the host buffer until a History
	RAM fetch API is called.
False	Specifies that History RAM results will automatically start streaming into a host
	buffer after a pattern is burst and the History RAM has triggered.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_HISTORY\_RAM\_NUMBER\_OF\_SAMPLES\_IS\_FINITE

## history\_ram\_pretrigger\_samples

nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_pretrigger\_samples

Specifies the number of samples to acquire before the trigger conditions are met. If you configure History RAM to only acquire failed cycles, you must set the pretrigger samples for History RAM to 0.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_HISTORY\_RAM\_PRETRIGGER\_SAMPLES

## history\_ram\_trigger\_type

### nidigital.Session.history\_ram\_trigger\_type

Specifies the type of trigger condition on which History RAM starts acquiring pattern information.

Defined	
Values:	
FIRST_FAI	LStarts acquiring pattern information in History RAM on the first failed cycle in a
	pattern burst.
CYCLE_NUM	BStarts acquiring pattern information in History RAM starting from a specified
	cycle number.
PATTERN_L	AStarts acquiring pattern information in History RAM starting from a specified
	pattern label, augmented by vector and cycle offsets.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.HistoryRAMTriggerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_HISTORY\_RAM\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

## instrument\_firmware\_revision

### nidigital.Session.instrument\_firmware\_revision

Returns a string that contains the firmware revision information for the digital pattern instrument.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_FIRMWARE\_REVISION

### instrument\_manufacturer

#### nidigital.Session.instrument\_manufacturer

Returns a string ("National Instruments") that contains the name of the manufacturer of the digital pattern instrument.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MANUFACTURER

### instrument\_model

#### nidigital.Session.instrument\_model

Returns a string that contains the model number or name of the digital pattern instrument.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

### • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MODEL

### interchange\_check

# $\texttt{nidigital.Session.interchange\_check}$

This property is not supported.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_INTERCHANGE\_CHECK

### io\_resource\_descriptor

#### nidigital.Session.io\_resource\_descriptor

Returns a string that contains the resource descriptor that the NI-Digital Pattern Driver uses to identify the digital pattern instrument.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_IO\_RESOURCE\_DESCRIPTOR

## is\_keep\_alive\_active

### nidigital.Session.is\_keep\_alive\_active

Returns True if the digital pattern instrument is driving the keep alive pattern.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_IS\_KEEP\_ALIVE\_ACTIVE

# logical\_name

### nidigital.Session.logical\_name

Returns a string containing the logical name that you specified when opening the current IVI session. This property is not supported.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_LOGICAL\_NAME

## mask\_compare

### nidigital.Session.mask\_compare

Specifies whether the pattern comparisons are masked or not. When set to True for a specified pin, failures on that pin will be masked.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_MASK\_COMPARE

# pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_cycle\_offset

### nidigital.Session.pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_cycle\_offset

Specifies the number of cycles that follow the specified pattern label and vector offset, after which History RAM will start acquiring pattern information when configured for a pattern label trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PATTERN\_LABEL\_HISTORY\_RAM\_TRIGGER\_CYCLE\_OFFSET

## pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_label

#### nidigital.Session.pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_label

Specifies the pattern label, augmented by the vector and cycle offset, to determine the point where History RAM will start acquiring pattern information when configured for a pattern label trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PATTERN\_LABEL\_HISTORY\_RAM\_TRIGGER\_LABEL

## pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_vector\_offset

#### nidigital.Session.pattern\_label\_history\_ram\_trigger\_vector\_offset

Specifies the number of vectors that follow the specified pattern label, after which History RAM will start acquiring pattern information when configured for a pattern label trigger.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PATTERN\_LABEL\_HISTORY\_RAM\_TRIGGER\_VECTOR\_OFFSET

### pattern\_opcode\_event\_terminal\_name

### nidigital.Session.pattern\_opcode\_event\_terminal\_name

Specifies the terminal name for the output trigger signal of the specified instance of a Pattern Opcode Event. You can use this terminal name as an input signal source for another trigger.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PATTERN\_OPCODE\_EVENT\_TERMINAL\_NAME

### ppmu\_allow\_extended\_voltage\_range

### nidigital.Session.ppmu\_allow\_extended\_voltage\_range

Enables the instrument to operate in additional voltage ranges where instrument specifications may differ from standard ranges. When set to True, this property enables extended voltage range operation. Review specification deviations for application suitability before using this property. NI recommends setting this property to False when not using the extended voltage range to avoid unintentional use of this range. The extended voltage range is supported only for PPMU, with the output method set to DC Voltage. A voltage glitch may occur when you change the PPMU output voltage from a standard range to the extended voltage range, or vice-versa, while the PPMU is sourcing. NI recommends temporarily changing the *nidigital.Session.selected\_function* property to Off before sourcing a voltage level that requires a range change.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_ALLOW\_EXTENDED\_VOLTAGE\_RANGE

## ppmu\_aperture\_time

### nidigital.Session.ppmu\_aperture\_time

Specifies the measurement aperture time for the PPMU. The *nidigital.Session. ppmu\_aperture\_time\_units* property sets the units of the PPMU aperture time.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_APERTURE\_TIME

### ppmu\_aperture\_time\_units

nidigital.Session.ppmu\_aperture\_time\_units
 Specifies the units of the measurement aperture time for the PPMU.

Defined Values:	
SECONDS	Specifies the aperture time in seconds.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of

repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.PPMUApertureTimeUnits
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_APERTURE\_TIME\_UNITS

### ppmu\_current\_level

### nidigital.Session.ppmu\_current\_level

Specifies the current level, in amps, that the PPMU forces to the DUT. This property is applicable only when you set the *nidigital.Session.ppmu\_output\_function* property to DC Current. Specify valid values for the current level using the nidigital.Session. PPMU\_ConfigureCurrentLevelRange() method.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_CURRENT\_LEVEL

### ppmu\_current\_level\_range

nidigital.Session.ppmu\_current\_level\_range

Specifies the range of valid values for the current level, in amps, that the PPMU forces to the DUT. This property is applicable only when you set the *nidigital.Session*. *ppmu\_output\_function* property to DC Current.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_CURRENT\_LEVEL\_RANGE

### ppmu\_current\_limit

#### nidigital.Session.ppmu\_current\_limit

Specifies the current limit, in amps, that the output cannot exceed while the PPMU forces voltage to the DUT. This property is applicable only when you set the *nidigital.Session*. *ppmu\_output\_function* property to DC Voltage. The PXIe-6570/6571 does not support the *nidigital.Session.ppmu\_current\_limit* property and only allows configuration of the *nidigital.Session.ppmu\_current\_limit\_range* property.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_CURRENT\_LIMIT

### ppmu\_current\_limit\_behavior

#### nidigital.Session.ppmu\_current\_limit\_behavior

Specifies how the output should behave when the current limit is reached.

Defined Values:		
REGULATE	Controls output current so that it does not exceed the current limit. Power continues	
	to generate even if the current limit is reached.	

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.PPMUCurrentLimitBehavior
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_BEHAVIOR

## ppmu\_current\_limit\_range

### nidigital.Session.ppmu\_current\_limit\_range

Specifies the valid range, in amps, to which the current limit can be set while the PPMU forces voltage to the DUT. This property is applicable only when you set the *nidigital.Session*. *ppmu\_output\_function* property to DC Voltage.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_RANGE

# ppmu\_current\_limit\_supported

nidigital.Session.ppmu\_current\_limit\_supported

Returns whether the device supports configuration of a current limit when you set the *nidigital*. *Session.ppmu\_output\_function* property to DC Voltage.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_CURRENT\_LIMIT\_SUPPORTED

## ppmu\_output\_function

nidigital.Session.ppmu\_output\_function
 Specifies whether the PPMU forces voltage or current to the DUT.

Defined Values:		
VOLTAGE	Specifies the output method to DC Voltage.	
CURRENT	Specifies the output method to DC Current	

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of

repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.PPMUOutputFunction
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_OUTPUT\_FUNCTION

### ppmu\_voltage\_level

#### nidigital.Session.ppmu\_voltage\_level

Specifies the voltage level, in volts, that the PPMU forces to the DUT. This property is applicable only when you set the *nidigital.Session.ppmu\_output\_function* property to DC Voltage.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_VOLTAGE\_LEVEL

## ppmu\_voltage\_limit\_high

#### nidigital.Session.ppmu\_voltage\_limit\_high

Specifies the maximum voltage limit, or high clamp voltage (V  $_{CH}$ ), in volts, at the pin when the PPMU forces current to the DUT. This property is applicable only when you set the *nidigital*. Session.ppmu\_output\_function property to DC Current.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT\_HIGH

## ppmu\_voltage\_limit\_low

#### nidigital.Session.ppmu\_voltage\_limit\_low

Specifies the minimum voltage limit, or low clamp voltage (V  $_{CL}$ ), in volts, at the pin when the PPMU forces current to the DUT. This property is applicable only when you set the *nidigital*. Session.ppmu\_output\_function property to DC Current.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_PPMU\_VOLTAGE\_LIMIT\_LOW

## query\_instrument\_status

### nidigital.Session.query\_instrument\_status

Specifies whether the NI-Digital Pattern Driver queries the digital pattern instrument status after each operation. The instrument status is always queried, regardless of the property setting.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_QUERY\_INSTRUMENT\_STATUS

### range\_check

### nidigital.Session.range\_check

Checks the range and validates parameter and property values you pass to NI-Digital Pattern Driver methods. Ranges are always checked, regardless of the property setting.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_RANGE\_CHECK

### record\_coercions

### nidigital.Session.record\_coercions

Specifies whether the IVI engine keeps a list of the value coercions it makes for integer and real type properties. Enabling record value coercions is not supported.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_RECORD\_COERCIONS

# selected\_function

nidigital.Session.selected\_function

**Caution:** In the Disconnect state, some I/O protection and sensing circuitry remains exposed. Do not subject the instrument to voltage beyond its operating range.

Specifies whether digital pattern instrument channels are controlled by the pattern sequencer or PPMU, disconnected, or off.

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	sourcing, but can make voltage measurements. The state of the digital pin driver when you
	change the nidigital.Session.selected_function to Digital is determined
	by the most recent call to the nidigital.Session.write_static() method or
	the last vector of the most recently executed pattern burst, whichever happened last. Use
	the nidigital.Session.write_static() method to control the state of the dig-
	ital pin driver through software. Use the nidigital.Session.burst_pattern()
	method to control the state of the digital pin driver through a pattern. Set the selectDig-
	italFunction parameter of the nidigital.Session.burst_pattern() method
	to True to automatically switch the nidigital.Session.selected_function
	of the pins in the pattern burst to DIGITAL.
PPM	The pin is connected to the PPMU. The driver, comparator, and active load are off while
	this method is selected. Call the nidigital.Session.ppmu_source() method to
	source a voltage or current. The nidigital.Session.ppmu_source() method
	automatically switches the nidigital.Session.selected_function to the
	PPMU state and starts sourcing from the PPMU. Changing the nidigital. Session.
	selected_function to DISCONNECT, OFF, or DIGITAL causes the PPMU to stop
	sourcing. If you set the nidigital.Session.selected_function property to
	PPMU, the PPMU is initially not sourcing.
OFF	The pin is electrically connected, and the PPMU and digital pin driver are off while this
	method is selected.
DISC	COTheEpin is electrically disconnected from instrument methods. Selecting this method
	causes the PPMU to stop sourcing prior to disconnecting the pin.

**Note:** You can make PPMU voltage measurements using the *nidigital.Session*. *ppmu\_measure()* method from within any *nidigital.Session.selected\_function*.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.SelectedFunction
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_SELECTED\_FUNCTION

### sequencer\_flag\_terminal\_name

#### nidigital.Session.sequencer\_flag\_terminal\_name

Specifies the terminal name for the output trigger signal of the Sequencer Flags trigger. You can use this terminal name as an input signal source for another trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_SEQUENCER\_FLAG\_TERMINAL\_NAME

## serial\_number

nidigital.Session.serial\_number

Returns the serial number of the device.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_SERIAL\_NUMBER

#### simulate

### nidigital.Session.simulate

Simulates I/O operations. After you open a session, you cannot change the simulation state. Use the nidigital.Session.\_\_\_init\_\_\_() method to enable simulation.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_SIMULATE

#### specific\_driver\_class\_spec\_major\_version

### nidigital.Session.specific\_driver\_class\_spec\_major\_version

Returns the major version number of the class specification with which NI-Digital is compliant. This property is not supported.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_CLASS\_SPEC\_MAJOR\_VERSION

#### specific\_driver\_class\_spec\_minor\_version

```
nidigital.Session.specific_driver_class_spec_minor_version
Returns the minor version number of the class specification with which NI-Digital is compliant.
```

This property is not supported.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_CLASS\_SPEC\_MINOR\_VERSION

## specific\_driver\_description

nidigital.Session.specific\_driver\_description

Returns a string that contains a brief description of the NI-Digital Pattern driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_DESCRIPTION

# specific\_driver\_prefix

```
nidigital.Session.specific_driver_prefix
```

Returns a string that contains the prefix for the NI-Digital Pattern driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_PREFIX

### specific\_driver\_revision

#### nidigital.Session.specific\_driver\_revision

Returns a string that contains additional version information about the NI-Digital Pattern Driver. For example, the driver can return Driver: NI-Digital 16.0 as the value of this property.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

### • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_REVISION

#### specific\_driver\_vendor

#### nidigital.Session.specific\_driver\_vendor

Returns a string ("National Instruments") that contains the name of the vendor that supplies the NI-Digital Pattern Driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_VENDOR

## start\_label

nidigital.Session.start\_label

Specifies the pattern name or exported pattern label from which to start bursting the pattern.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_START\_LABEL

## start\_trigger\_terminal\_name

### nidigital.Session.start\_trigger\_terminal\_name

Specifies the terminal name for the output trigger signal of the Start trigger. You can use this terminal name as an input signal source for another trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_START\_TRIGGER\_TERMINAL\_NAME

## start\_trigger\_type

### nidigital.Session.start\_trigger\_type

Specifies the Start trigger type. The digital pattern instrument waits for this trigger after you call the nidigital.Session.init() method or the *nidigital.Session*. *burst\_pattern()* method, and does not burst a pattern until this trigger is received.

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NONE	Disables the Start trigger. Pattern bursting starts immediately after you call	
	the nidigital.Session.init() method or the <i>nidigital.Session</i> .	
	<pre>burst_pattern() method.</pre>	
DIGI	<b>Pa</b> <u>tt</u> <b>ernbur</b> sting does not start until the digital pattern instrument detects a digital edge.	
SOFT	Pattern bursting does not start until the digital pattern instrument receives a software	
	Start trigger. Create a software Start trigger by calling the <i>nidigital.Session</i> .	
	<pre>send_software_edge_trigger() method and selecting start trigger in the trig-</pre>	
	ger parameter.Related information: SendSoftwareEdgeTrigger method.	

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_START\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

## supported\_instrument\_models

#### nidigital.Session.supported\_instrument\_models

Returns a comma delimited string that contains the supported digital pattern instrument models for the specific driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_SUPPORTED\_INSTRUMENT\_MODELS

# tdr\_endpoint\_termination

nidigital.Session.tdr\_endpoint\_termination

Specifies whether TDR Channels are connected to an open circuit or a short to ground.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TDREndpointTermination
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_TDR\_ENDPOINT\_TERMINATION

## tdr\_offset

nidigital.Session.tdr\_offset Specifies the TDR Offset.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_TDR\_OFFSET

## termination\_mode

### nidigital.Session.termination\_mode

Specifies the behavior of the pin during non-drive cycles.

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ACT Specifies that, for non-drive pin states (L	, H, X, V, M, E), the active load is connected
and the instrument sources or sinks a det	fined amount of current to load the DUT. The
amount of current sourced by the instrum	ent and therefore sunk by the DUT is specified
by IOL. The amount of current sunk by th	e instrument and therefore sourced by the DUT
is specified by IOH. The voltage at which	the instrument changes between sourcing and
sinking is specified by VCOM.	
VTERNSpecifies that, for non-drive pin states (L	, H, X, V, M, E), the pin driver terminates the
pin to the configured VTERM voltage thr	ough a 50 $\Omega$ impedance. VTERM is adjustable
to allow for the pin to terminate at a set l	evel. This is useful for instruments that might
operate incorrectly if an instrument pin	is unterminated and is allowed to float to any
voltage level within the instrument voltag	e range. To address this issue, enable VTERM
by configuring the VTERM pin level to	the desired voltage and selecting the VTERM
termination mode. Setting VTERM to 0	V and selecting the VTERM termination mode
has the effect of connecting a 50 $\Omega$ term	ination to ground, which provides an effective
50 $\Omega$ impedance for the pin. This can be	useful for improving signal integrity of certain
DUTs by reducing reflections while the D	UT drives the pin.
HIGH_Specifies that, for non-drive pin states (L,	H, X, V, M, E), the pin driver is put in a high-
impedance state and the active load is disa	bled.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TerminationMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_TERMINATION\_MODE

## timing\_absolute\_delay

nidigital.Session.timing\_absolute\_delay

Specifies a timing delay, measured in seconds, and applies the delay to the digital pattern instrument in addition to TDR and calibration adjustments. If the *nidigital.Session*. *timing\_absolute\_delay\_enabled* property is set to True, this value is the intermodule skew measured by NI-TClk. You can modify this value to override the timing delay and align the I/O timing of this instrument with another instrument that shares the same reference clock. If the *nidigital.Session.timing\_absolute\_delay\_enabled* property is False, this property will return 0.0. Changing the *nidigital.Session. timing\_absolute\_delay\_enabled* property from False to True will set the *nidigital. Session.timing\_absolute\_delay* value back to your previously set value.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_TIMING\_ABSOLUTE\_DELAY

## timing\_absolute\_delay\_enabled

## nidigital.Session.timing\_absolute\_delay\_enabled

Specifies whether the *nidigital.Session.timing\_absolute\_delay* property should be applied to adjust the digital pattern instrument timing reference relative to other instruments in the system. Do not use this feature with digital pattern instruments in a Semiconductor Test System (STS). Timing absolute delay conflicts with the adjustment performed during STS timing calibration. When set to True, the digital pattern instrument automatically adjusts the timing absolute delay to correct the instrument timing reference relative to other instruments in the system for better timing alignment among synchronized instruments.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_TIMING\_ABSOLUTE\_DELAY\_ENABLED

## vih

#### nidigital.Session.vih

Specifies the voltage that the digital pattern instrument will apply to the input of the DUT when the test instrument drives a logic high (1).

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_VIH

## vil

nidigital.Session.**vil** 

Specifies the voltage that the digital pattern instrument will apply to the input of the DUT when the test instrument drives a logic low (0).

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_VIL

## voh

nidigital.Session.voh

Specifies the output voltage from the DUT above which the comparator on the digital pattern test instrument interprets a logic high (H).

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_VOH

# vol

nidigital.Session.vol

Specifies the output voltage from the DUT below which the comparator on the digital pattern test instrument interprets a logic low (L).

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_VOL

#### vterm

#### nidigital.Session.vterm

Specifies the termination voltage the digital pattern instrument applies during non-drive cycles when the termination mode is set to V <sub>term</sub>. The instrument applies the termination voltage through a 50  $\Omega$  parallel termination resistance.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nidigital.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nidigital.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIDIGITAL\_ATTR\_VTERM

# **NI-TClk Support**

```
nidigital.Session.tclk
```

This is used to get and set NI-TClk attributes on the session.

#### See also:

See *nitclk*. *SessionReference* for a complete list of attributes.

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## **Repeated Capabilities**

Repeated capabilities attributes are used to set the *channel\_string* parameter to the underlying driver function call. This can be the actual function based on the Session method being called, or it can be the appropriate Get/Set Attribute function, such as niDigital\_SetAttributeViInt32().

Repeated capabilities attributes use the indexing operator [] to indicate the repeated capabilities. The parameter can be a string, list, tuple, or slice (range). Each element of those can be a string or an integer. If it is a string, you can indicate a range using the same format as the driver:  $\0-2'$  or  $\0:2'$ 

Some repeated capabilities use a prefix before the number and this is optional

# channels

nidigital.Session.channels[]

session.channels['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of '0, 1, 2' to the set attribute function.

#### pins

## nidigital.Session.pins[]

session.pins['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of '0, 1, 2' to the set attribute function.

## instruments

```
nidigital.Session.instruments[]
```

session.instruments['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of 0, 1, 2' to the set attribute function.

#### pattern\_opcode\_events

```
nidigital.Session.pattern_opcode_events[]
```

If no prefix is added to the items in the parameter, the correct prefix will be added when the driver function call is made.

session.pattern\_opcode\_events['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of `patternOpcodeEvent0, patternOpcodeEvent1, patternOpcodeEvent2' to the set attribute function.

If an invalid repeated capability is passed to the driver, the driver will return an error.

You can also explicitly use the prefix as part of the parameter, but it must be the correct prefix for the specific repeated capability.

passes a string of `patternOpcodeEvent0, patternOpcodeEvent1, patternOpcodeEvent2' to the set attribute function.

## conditional\_jump\_triggers

#### nidigital.Session.conditional\_jump\_triggers[]

If no prefix is added to the items in the parameter, the correct prefix will be added when the driver function call is made.

session.conditional\_jump\_triggers['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of `conditionalJumpTrigger0, conditionalJumpTrigger1, conditionalJumpTrigger2' to the set attribute function.

If an invalid repeated capability is passed to the driver, the driver will return an error.

You can also explicitly use the prefix as part of the parameter, but it must be the correct prefix for the specific repeated capability.

```
session.conditional_jump_triggers['conditionalJumpTrigger0-

→conditionalJumpTrigger2'].channel_enabled = True
```

passes a string of `conditionalJumpTrigger0, conditionalJumpTrigger1, conditionalJumpTrigger2' to the set attribute function.

## sites

#### nidigital.Session.sites[]

If no prefix is added to the items in the parameter, the correct prefix will be added when the driver function call is made.

session.sites['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of 'site0, site1, site2' to the set attribute function.

If an invalid repeated capability is passed to the driver, the driver will return an error.

You can also explicitly use the prefix as part of the parameter, but it must be the correct prefix for the specific repeated capability.

session.sites['site0-site2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of 'site0, site1, site2' to the set attribute function.

## Enums

Enums used in NI-Digital Pattern Driver

#### BitOrder

### class nidigital.BitOrder

#### MSB

The most significant bit is first. The first bit is in the 2<sup>n</sup> place, where n is the number of bits.

#### LSB

The least significant bit is first. The first bit is in the 2<sup>\0</sup> place.

#### DigitalEdge

#### class nidigital.DigitalEdge

#### RISING

Asserts the trigger when the signal transitions from low level to high level.

#### FALLING

Asserts the trigger when the signal transitions from high level to low level.

## **DriveFormat**

#### class nidigital.DriveFormat

#### NR

Drive format remains at logic level after each bit.

## RL

Drive format returns to a logic level low after each bit.

#### RH

Drive format returns to a logic level high after each bit.

## SBC

Drive format returns to the complement logic level of the bit after each bit.

## FrequencyMeasurementMode

## class nidigital.FrequencyMeasurementMode

#### BANKED

Frequency measurements are made serially for groups of channels associated with a single frequency counter for each group.

Maximum frequency measured: 200 MHz.

#### PARALLEL

Frequency measurements are made by multiple frequency counters in parallel.

Maximum frequency measured: 100 MHz.

## HistoryRAMCyclesToAcquire

## class nidigital.HistoryRAMCyclesToAcquire

#### FAILED

Acquires failed cycles.

#### ALL

Acquires all cycles.

## **HistoryRAMTriggerType**

#### class nidigital.HistoryRAMTriggerType

## FIRST\_FAILURE

First Failure History RAM trigger

## CYCLE\_NUMBER

Cycle Number History RAM trigger.

# PATTERN\_LABEL

Pattern Label History RAM trigger

## **PPMUApertureTimeUnits**

class nidigital.PPMUApertureTimeUnits

## SECONDS

Unit in seconds.

## **PPMUCurrentLimitBehavior**

## class nidigital.PPMUCurrentLimitBehavior

#### REGULATE

Controls output current so that it does not exceed the current limit. Power continues to generate even if the current limit is reached.

## **PPMUMeasurementType**

## class nidigital.PPMUMeasurementType

#### CURRENT

The PPMU measures current.

#### VOLTAGE

The PPMU measures voltage.

## **PPMUOutputFunction**

class nidigital.PPMUOutputFunction

#### VOLTAGE

The PPMU forces voltage to the DUT.

#### CURRENT

The PPMU forces current to the DUT.

# **PinState**

## class nidigital.PinState

## ZERO

A digital state of 0.

#### ONE

A digital state of 1.

## L

A digital state of L (low).

## н

A digital state of H (high).

## Х

A digital state of X (non-drive state).

## М

A digital state of M (midband).

## v

A digital state of V (compare high or low, not midband; store results from capture functionality if configured).

## D

A digital state of D (drive data from source functionality if configured).

## Е

A digital state of E (compare data from source functionality if configured).

## NOT\_A\_PIN\_STATE

Not a pin state is used for non-existent DUT cycles.

#### PIN\_STATE\_NOT\_ACQUIRED

Pin state could not be acquired because none of the pins mapped to the instrument in a multi-instrument session had any failures.

## SelectedFunction

#### class nidigital.SelectedFunction

#### DIGITAL

The pattern sequencer controls the specified pin(s). If a pattern is currently bursting, the pin immediately switches to bursting the pattern. This option disconnects the PPMU.

#### PPMU

The PPMU controls the specified pin(s) and connects the PPMU. The pin driver is in a non-drive state, and the active load is disabled. The PPMU does not start sourcing or measuring until Source or Measure(PpmuMeasurementType) is called.

## OFF

Puts the digital driver in a non-drive state, disables the active load, disconnects the PPMU, and closes the I/O switch connecting the instrument channel.

#### DISCONNECT

The I/O switch connecting the instrument channel is open to the I/O connector. If the PPMU is sourcing, it is stopped prior to opening the I/O switch.

## SequencerFlag

class nidigital.SequencerFlag

FLAG0

FLAG1

FLAG2

FLAG3

## SequencerRegister

class nidigital.SequencerRegister

**REGISTER0** 

REGISTER1

**REGISTER2** 

**REGISTER3** 

REGISTER4

REGISTER5

- REGISTER6
- REGISTER7
- **REGISTER8**
- REGISTER9
- REGISTER10
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- REGISTER12
- REGISTER13
- REGISTER14

REGISTER15

## SoftwareTrigger

class nidigital.SoftwareTrigger

## START

Overrides the start trigger.

## CONDITIONAL\_JUMP

Specifies to route a pattern opcode event signal.

# SourceDataMapping

class nidigital.SourceDataMapping

#### BROADCAST

Broadcasts the waveform you specify to all sites.

#### SITE\_UNIQUE

Sources unique waveform data to each site.

## **TDREndpointTermination**

class nidigital.TDREndpointTermination

#### OPEN

TDR channels are connected to an open circuit.

#### SHORT\_TO\_GROUND

TDR channels are connected to a short to ground.

## **TerminationMode**

class nidigital.TerminationMode

## ACTIVE\_LOAD

The active load provides a constant current to a commutating voltage (Vcom).

#### VTERM

The pin driver drives Vterm.

## HIGH\_Z

The pin driver is in a non-drive state (in a high-impedance state) and the active load is disabled.

## **TimeSetEdgeType**

## class nidigital.TimeSetEdgeType

#### DRIVE\_ON

Specifies the drive on edge of the time set.

#### DRIVE\_DATA

Specifies the drive data edge of the time set.

#### DRIVE\_RETURN

Specifies the drive return edge of the time set.

## DRIVE\_OFF

Specifies the drive off edge of the time set.

## COMPARE\_STROBE

Specifies the compare strobe of the time set.

## DRIVE\_DATA2

Specifies the drive data 2 edge of the time set.

## DRIVE\_RETURN2

Specifies the drive return 2 edge of the time set.

#### COMPARE\_STROBE2

Specifies the compare strobe 2 of the time set.

# TriggerType

class nidigital.TriggerType

## NONE

Disables the start trigger.

DIGITAL\_EDGE Digital edge trigger.

#### SOFTWARE

Software start trigger.

## **WriteStaticPinState**

class nidigital.WriteStaticPinState

# ZERO

Specifies to drive low.

#### ONE

Specifies to drive high.

х

Specifies to not drive.

## **Exceptions and Warnings**

## Error

```
exception nidigital.errors.Error
Base exception type that all NI-Digital Pattern Driver exceptions derive from
```

# DriverError

**exception** nidigital.errors.**DriverError** An error originating from the NI-Digital Pattern Driver driver

## **UnsupportedConfigurationError**

**exception** nidigital.errors.**UnsupportedConfigurationError** An error due to using this module in an usupported platform.

## **DriverNotInstalledError**

**exception** nidigital.errors.**DriverNotInstalledError** An error due to using this module without the driver runtime installed.

#### InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError

**exception** nidigital.errors.**InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError** An error due to an invalid character in a repeated capability

#### SelfTestError

```
exception nidigital.errors.SelfTestError
An error due to a failed self-test
```

## **DriverWarning**

```
exception nidigital.errors.DriverWarning
A warning originating from the NI-Digital Pattern Driver driver
```

## **Examples**

You can download all nidigital examples here

## nidigital\_burst\_with\_start\_trigger.py

```
Listing 4: (nidigital_burst_with_start_trigger.py)
```

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
   import argparse
3
   import nidigital
4
   import os
5
   import sys
6
7
8
   def example(resource_name, options, trigger_source=None, trigger_edge=None):
9
10
       with nidigital.Session(resource_name=resource_name, options=options) as session:
11
12
           dir = os.path.join(os.path.dirname(___file___))
13
14
           # Load the pin map (.pinmap) created using the Digital Pattern Editor
15
           pin_map_filename = os.path.join(dir, 'PinMap.pinmap')
16
           session.load_pin_map(pin_map_filename)
17
18
           # Load the specifications (.specs), levels (.digilevels), and timing (.
19
   → digitiming) sheets created using the Digital Pattern Editor
           spec_filename = os.path.join(dir, 'Specifications.specs')
20
           levels_filename = os.path.join(dir, 'PinLevels.digilevels')
21
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                   timing_filename = os.path.join(dir, 'Timing.digitiming')
22
                   session.load_specifications_levels_and_timing(spec_filename, levels_filename,...
23
      →timing filename)
24
                    # Apply the settings from the levels and timing sheets we just loaded to the.
25
      ⇔session
                   session.apply_levels_and_timing(levels_filename, timing_filename)
26
27
                    # Loading the pattern file (.digipat) created using the Digital Pattern Editor
28
                   pattern_filename = os.path.join(dir, 'Pattern.digipat')
29
                   session.load_pattern(pattern_filename)
30
31
32
                   if trigger_source is None:
                          print('Start bursting pattern')
33
                   else:
34
                           # Specify a source and edge for the external start trigger
35
                           session.start_trigger_type = nidigital.TriggerType.DIGITAL_EDGE
36
                           session.digital_edge_start_trigger_source = trigger_source
37
                           session.digital_edge_start_trigger_edge = nidigital.DigitalEdge.RISING if_
38

white the second 
                           print ('Wait for start trigger and then start bursting pattern')
30
40
                    # If start trigger is configured, waiting for the trigger to start bursting_
41
      →and then blocks until the pattern is done bursting
                    # Else just start bursting and block until the pattern is done bursting
42
43
                   session.burst_pattern(start_label='new_pattern')
44
                    # Disconnect all channels using programmable onboard switching
45
                   session.selected_function = nidigital.SelectedFunction.DISCONNECT
46
            print('Done bursting pattern')
47
48
49
     def _main(argsv):
50
            parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Demonstrates how to create and
51
      \rightarrow configure a session that bursts a pattern on the digital pattern instrument using a.
      start trigger', formatter_class=argparse.ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
            parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2,PXI1Slot3', help=
52
      → 'Resource name of a NI digital pattern instrument. Ensure the resource name matches.
      →the instrument name in the pinmap file.')
            parser.add_argument('-s', '--simulate', default='True', choices=['True', 'False'],
53
      → help='Whether to run on simulated hardware or real hardware')
            subparser = parser.add_subparsers(dest='command', help='Sub-command help')
54
            start_trigger = subparser.add_parser('start-trigger', help='Configure start...
55
      →trigger')
            start_trigger.add_argument('-ts', '--trigger-source', default='/PXI1Slot2/PXI_
56
      ↔Trig0', help='Source terminal for the start trigger')
            start_trigger.add_argument('-te', '--trigger-edge', default='Rising', choices=[
57
      -- 'Rising', 'Falling'], help='Trigger on rising edge or falling edge of start trigger
      \rightarrow ')
            args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
58
59
            example(args.resource_name,
60
                           'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:6571' if args.simulate == 'True' else '',
61
                           args.trigger source if args.command == 'start-trigger' else None,
62
                           args.trigger_edge if args.command == 'start-trigger' else None)
63
64
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```
def main():
66
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
67
68
69
   def test_main():
70
       _main([])
71
        _main(['start-trigger'])
72
73
74
   def test_example():
75
       resource_name = 'PXI1Slot2, PXI1Slot3'
76
       options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '6571'}, }
77
78
       example(resource_name, options)
79
       trigger_source = '/PXI1Slot2/PXI_Trig0'
80
       trigger_edge = 'Rising'
81
        example(resource_name, options, trigger_source, trigger_edge)
82
83
84
   if __name__ == '__main__':
85
       main()
86
```

#### nidigital\_configure\_time\_set\_and\_voltage\_levels.py



```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
   import argparse
3
   import nidigital
4
   import os
5
   import sys
6
7
8
   class VoltageLevelsAndTerminationConfig():
9
       def __init__(self, vil, vih, vol, voh, vterm, termination_mode, iol, ioh, vcom):
10
           self.vil = vil
11
            self.vih = vih
12
           self.vol = vol
13
           self.voh = voh
14
           self.vterm = vterm
15
           self.termination_mode = termination_mode
16
           self.iol = iol
17
           self.ioh = ioh
18
19
           self.vcom = vcom
20
21
   class TimeSetConfig():
22
       def __init__(self, time_set_name, period, drive_format, drive_on, drive_data,_
23
   →drive_return, drive_off, strobe_edge):
            self.time_set_name = time_set_name
24
            self.period = period
25
           self.drive_format = drive_format
26
           self.drive_on = drive_on
27
```

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self.drive_data = drive_data
       self.drive_return = drive_return
       self.drive_off = drive_off
        self.strobe_edge = strobe_edge
def convert_drive_format(drive_format):
   converter = { 'NR': nidigital.DriveFormat.NR,
                 'RL': nidigital.DriveFormat.RL,
                 'RH': nidigital.DriveFormat.RH,
                 'SBC': nidigital.DriveFormat.SBC}
   return converter.get(drive_format, None)
def example (resource_name,
            options,
            channels,
            voltage_config,
            time_set_config):
   with nidigital.Session(resource_name=resource_name, options=options) as session:
       dir = os.path.dirname(___file___)
        # Load pin map (.pinmap) created using Digital Pattern Editor
       pin_map_filename = os.path.join(dir, 'PinMap.pinmap')
       session.load_pin_map(pin_map_filename)
        # Configure voltage levels and terminal voltage through driver API
       session.channels[channels].configure_voltage_levels(voltage_config.vil,_
→voltage_config.vih, voltage_config.vol, voltage_config.voh, voltage_config.vterm)
       if voltage_config.termination_mode == 'High_Z':
            session.channels[channels].termination_mode = nidigital.TerminationMode.
→HIGH_Z
       elif voltage config.termination mode == 'Active Load':
            session.channels[channels].termination_mode = nidigital.TerminationMode.
→ACTIVE LOAD
            session.channels[channels].configure_active_load_levels(voltage_config.
→iol, voltage_config.ioh, voltage_config.vcom)
       else:
            session.channels[channels].termination_mode = nidigital.TerminationMode.
→VTERM
        # Configure time set through driver API
        session.create_time_set(time_set_config.time_set_name) # Must match time set_
→name in pattern file
       session.configure_time_set_period(time_set_config.time_set_name, time_set_
⇔config.period)
       session.channels[channels].configure_time_set_drive_edges(time_set_config.

white_set_name, convert_drive_format(time_set_config.drive_format),

                                                                   time_set_config.
→drive_on, time_set_config.drive_data,
                                                                   time_set_config.
→drive return, time set config.drive off)
       session.channels[channels].configure_time_set_compare_edges_strobe(time_set_
⇔config.time_set_name, time_set_config.strobe_edge)
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```
# Load the pattern file (.digipat) created using Digital Pattern Editor
74
           pattern_filename = os.path.join(dir, 'Pattern.digipat')
75
           session.load_pattern(pattern_filename)
76
77
           # Burst pattern, blocks until the pattern is done bursting
78
           session.burst_pattern(start_label='new_pattern')
79
           print('Start bursting pattern')
80
81
           # Disconnect all channels using programmable onboard switching
82
           session.selected_function = nidigital.SelectedFunction.DISCONNECT
83
       print('Done bursting pattern')
84
85
86
   def _main(argsv):
87
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Demonstrates how to create an,
88
   -instrument session, configure time set and voltage levels, and burst a pattern on_
   → ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2,PXI1Slot3', help=
89
    → 'Resource name of a NI digital pattern instrument, ensure the resource name matches...
    →the instrument name in the pinmap file.')
       parser.add_argument('-s', '--simulate', default='True', choices=['True', 'False'],
90
   -> help='Whether to run on simulated hardware or on real hardware')
       parser.add_argument('-c', '--channels', default='PinGroup1', help='Channel(s)/
91
   \rightarrow Pin(s) to configure')
92
       # Parameters to configure voltage
93
       parser.add_argument('--vil', default=0, type=float, help='The voltage that the...
0/1
   -instrument will apply to the input of the DUT when the pin driver drives a logic.
   \rightarrow low (0) ')
       parser.add_argument('--vih', default=3.3, type=float, help='The voltage that the
95
    instrument will apply to the input of the DUT when the test instrument drives a
   \rightarrow logic high (1)')
       parser.add_argument('--vol', default=1.6, type=float, help='The output voltage_
96
   \rightarrow below which the comparator on the pin driver interprets a logic low (L)')
       parser.add_argument('--voh', default=1.7, type=float, help='The output voltage_
97
   \rightarrowabove which the comparator on the pin driver interprets a logic high (H)')
       parser.add_argument('--vterm', default=2, type=float, help='The termination_
   -voltage the instrument applies during non-drive cycles when the termination mode is
   \hookrightarrow set to Vterm')
       parser.add_argument('-term-mode', '--termination-mode', default='High_Z',...
99

choices=['High_Z', 'Active_Load', 'Three_Level_Drive'])

       parser.add_argument('--iol', default=0.002, type=float, help='The maximum current_
100
   \hookrightarrowthat the DUT sinks while outputting a voltage below VCOM')
       parser.add_argument('--ioh', default=-0.002, type=float, help='The maximum_
101
   -current that the DUT sources while outputting a voltage above VCOM')
       parser.add_argument('--vcom', default=0.0, type=float, help='The commutating...
102
   -voltage level at which the active load circuit switches between sourcing current.
   →and sinking current')
103
104
       # Parameters to configure timeset
       parser.add_argument('--period', default=0.00000002, type=float, help='Period in.
105
   \leftrightarrow second')
       parser.add_argument('-format', '--drive-format', default='NR', choices=['NR', 'RL
106
   →complement')
       parser.add_argument('--drive-on', default=0, type=float, help='The delay in.
107
    -seconds from the beginning of the vector period for turning on the pin (Optimueron next page)
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parser.add_argument('--drive-data', default=0, type=float, help='The delay in...
108
    -seconds from the beginning of the vector period until the pattern data is driven to...
    \rightarrow the pattern value')
        parser.add_argument('--drive-return', default=0.000000015, type=float, help='The_
109
    \rightarrow delay in seconds from the beginning of the vector period until the pin changes from,
    \rightarrowthe pattern data to the return value, as specified in the format.')
        parser.add_argument('--drive-off', default=0.00000002, type=float, help='The_
110
    \rightarrowdelay in seconds from the beginning of the vector period to turn off the pin driver.
    →when the next vector period uses a non-drive symbol (L, H, X, V, M, E).')
        parser.add_argument('--strobe-edge', default=0.00000001, type=float, help='The_
111
    -time in second when the comparison happens within a vector period')
112
113
        args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
        voltage_config = VoltageLevelsAndTerminationConfig(args.vil, args.vih, args.vol,...
114
    →args.voh, args.vterm, args.termination_mode, args.iol, args.ioh, args.vcom)
        time_set_config = TimeSetConfig("tset0", args.period, args.drive_format, args.
115

-drive_on, args.drive_data, args.drive_return, args.drive_off, args.strobe_edge)

        example(args.resource_name,
116
                 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:6571' if args.simulate == 'True' else '',
117
                 args.channels,
118
                 voltage_config,
119
                 time_set_config)
120
121
122
   def main():
123
124
        _main(sys.argv[1:])
125
126
   def test main():
127
        _main([])
128
129
130
   def test_example():
131
        resource_name = 'PXI1Slot2, PXI1Slot3'
132
        options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '6571'}, }
133
        channels = 'PinGroup1'
134
        voltage_config = VoltageLevelsAndTerminationConfig(vil=0, vih=3.3, vol=1.6, voh=1.
135
    \rightarrow7, vterm=2,
136
                                                               termination_mode='Active_Load',
    \rightarrow iol=0.002, ioh=-0.002, vcom=0)
        time set config = TimeSetConfig(time set name="tset0",
137
                                           period=0.0000002,
138
                                           drive format='NR',
139
                                           drive_on=0, drive_data=0, drive_return=0.
140
    →000000015, drive_off=0.00000002, strobe_edge=0.00000001)
        example(resource_name, options, channels, voltage_config, time_set_config)
141
142
143
   if __name__ == '__main__':
144
        main()
145
```

## nidigital\_ppmu\_source\_and\_measure.py

```
Listing 6: (nidigital_ppmu_source_and_measure.py)
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```
#!/usr/bin/python
2
   import argparse
3
   import nidigital
4
   import os
5
   import pytest
6
   import sys
7
   import time
8
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10
   def example (resource_name, options, channels, measure, aperture_time,
11
                source=None, settling_time=None, current_level_range=None, current_
12
   →level=None,
                voltage_limit_high=None, voltage_limit_low=None, current_limit_range=None,
13
   → voltage_level=None):
14
       with nidigital.Session(resource_name=resource_name, options=options) as session:
15
16
           dir = os.path.join(os.path.dirname(___file___))
17
18
            # Load pin map (.pinmap) created using Digital Pattern Editor
19
           pin_map_filename = os.path.join(dir, 'PinMap.pinmap')
20
           session.load_pin_map(pin_map_filename)
21
22
            # Configure the PPMU measurement aperture time
23
           session.channels[channels].ppmu_aperture_time = aperture_time
24
           session.channels[channels].ppmu_aperture_time_units = nidigital.
25
   → PPMUApertureTimeUnits.SECONDS
26
            # Configure and source
27
           if source == 'source-current':
28
                session.channels[channels].ppmu_output_function = nidigital.
29
    → PPMUOutputFunction.CURRENT
30
                session.channels[channels].ppmu_current_level_range = current_level_range
31
                session.channels[channels].ppmu_current_level = current_level
32
                session.channels[channels].ppmu_voltage_limit_high = voltage_limit_high
33
                session.channels[channels].ppmu_voltage_limit_low = voltage_limit_low
34
35
                session.channels[channels].ppmu_source()
36
37
                # Settling time between sourcing and measuring
38
                time.sleep(settling_time)
39
40
           elif source == 'source-voltage':
41
                session.channels[channels].ppmu_output_function = nidigital.
42
   \rightarrow PPMUOutputFunction.VOLTAGE
43
                session.channels[channels].ppmu_current_limit_range = current_limit_range
44
                session.channels[channels].ppmu_voltage_level = voltage_level
45
46
                session.channels[channels].ppmu_source()
47
48
                # Settling time between sourcing and measuring
49
                time.sleep(settling_time)
50
```

```
pin_info = session.channels[channels].get_pin_results_pin_information()
52
53
           # Measure
54
           if measure == 'current':
55
               current_measurements = session.channels[channels].ppmu_measure(nidigital.
56
   → PPMUMeasurementType.CURRENT)
57
               print('{:<6} {:<20} {:<10}'.format('Site', 'Pin Name', 'Current'))
58
50
               for pin, current in zip(pin_info, current_measurements):
60
                   print('{:<6d} {:<20} {:<10f}'.format(pin.site_number, pin.pin_name,...</pre>
61
   \rightarrowcurrent))
           else:
62
               voltage_measurements = session.channels[channels].ppmu_measure(nidigital.
63
   \rightarrow PPMUMeasurementType.VOLTAGE)
64
               print('{:<6} {:<20} {:<10}'.format('Site', 'Pin Name', 'Voltage'))
65
66
               for pin, voltage in zip(pin_info, voltage_measurements):
67
                   print('{:<6d} {:<20} {:<10f}'.format(pin.site_number, pin.pin_name,...</pre>
68
   \rightarrow voltage))
60
           # Disconnect all channels using programmable onboard switching
70
           session.channels[channels].selected_function = nidigital.SelectedFunction.
71
   → DISCONNECT
72
73
   def _main(argsv):
74
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Demonstrates how to source/measure...
75
   -voltage/current using the PPMU on selected channels/pins of the digital pattern.
   \rightarrow instrument',
                                        formatter_class=argparse.
76
   → ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2, PXI1Slot3', help=
77
   →the instrument name in the pinmap file.')
       parser.add_argument('-s', '--simulate', default='True', choices=['True', 'False'],
78
   → help='Whether to run on simulated hardware or on real hardware')
      parser.add_argument('-c', '--channels', default='DUTPin1, SystemPin1', help=
79
   \rightarrow 'Channel(s)/Pin(s) to use')
      parser.add_argument('-m', '--measure', default='voltage', choices=['voltage',
80
   parser.add_argument('-at', '--aperture-time', default=0.000004, type=float, help=
81
   → 'Aperture time in seconds')
       subparser = parser.add_subparsers(dest='source', help='Sub-command help, by...
82
   ⇔default it measures voltage and does not source')
83
       source_current = subparser.add_parser('source-current', help='Source current')
84
       source_current.add_argument('-clr', '--current-level-range', default=0.000002,_
85
   →type=float, help='Current level range in amps')
       source_current.add_argument('-cl', '--current-level', default=0.000002,
86

→type=float, help='Current level in amps')

       source_current.add_argument('-vlh', '--voltage-limit-high', default=3.3,...
87
   source_current.add_argument('-vll', '--voltage-limit-low', default=0, type=float,...
88
   →help='Voltage limit low in volts')
```

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```
source_current.add_argument('-st', '--settling-time', default=0.01, type=float,...
89
    →help='Settling time in seconds')
90
        source_voltage = subparser.add_parser('source-voltage', help='Source voltage')
91
        source_voltage.add_argument('-clr', '--current-limit-range', default=0.000002,_
92
    source_voltage.add_argument('-vl', '--voltage-level', default=3.3, type=float,...
93
    →help='Voltage level in volts')
        source_voltage.add_argument('-st', '--settling-time', default=0.01, type=float,_
94
    →help='Settling time in seconds')
95
        args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
96
97
        if args.source == 'source-current':
98
            example(
99
                args.resource_name,
100
                'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:6571' if args.simulate == 'True' else '',
101
                args.channels,
102
                args.measure,
103
                args.aperture_time,
104
                args.source,
105
                args.settling_time,
106
                args.current_level_range,
107
                args.current_level,
108
                args.voltage_limit_high,
109
110
                args.voltage_limit_low)
        elif args.source == 'source-voltage':
111
            example(
112
113
                args.resource name,
                'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:6571' if args.simulate == 'True' else '',
114
115
                args.channels,
                args.measure,
116
                args.aperture_time,
117
                args.source,
118
                args.settling time,
119
                current_limit_range=args.current_limit_range,
120
121
                voltage_level=args.voltage_level)
122
        else:
123
            if args.measure == 'current':
                raise ValueError('Cannot measure current on a channel that is not...
124
    \rightarrow sourcing voltage or current')
125
            example(
126
                args.resource_name,
                'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:6571' if args.simulate == 'True' else '',
127
128
                args.channels,
                args.measure,
129
                args.aperture_time)
130
131
132
   def main():
133
134
        _main(sys.argv[1:])
135
136
   def test main():
137
138
        _main([])
        _main(['-m', 'voltage'])
139
        with pytest.raises (Exception):
140
```

```
_main(['-m', 'current'])
141
        _main(['-m', 'voltage', 'source-current'])
142
        _main(['-m', 'current', 'source-current'])
143
        _main(['-m', 'voltage', 'source-voltage'])
144
        _main(['-m', 'current', 'source-voltage'])
145
146
147
    def test_example():
148
        resource_name = 'PXI1Slot2, PXI1Slot3'
149
        options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '6571'}, }
150
        channels = 'DUTPin1, SystemPin1'
151
        aperture_time = 0.000004
152
153
        example(resource_name, options, channels, 'voltage',
154
                 aperture_time)
155
        with pytest.raises(Exception):
156
            example(resource_name, options, channels, 'current',
157
                     aperture_time)
158
159
        settling_time = 0.01
160
        current_level_range = 0.000002
161
        current_level = 0.000002
162
        voltage_limit_high = 3.3
163
        voltage_limit_low = 0
164
        example(resource_name, options, channels, 'voltage',
165
                 aperture_time, 'source-current', settling_time,
166
                 current_level_range, current_level,
167
                 voltage_limit_high, voltage_limit_low)
168
        example(resource_name, options, channels, 'current',
169
                 aperture_time, 'source-current', settling_time,
170
                 current_level_range, current_level,
171
172
                 voltage_limit_high, voltage_limit_low)
173
        current_limit_range = 0.000002
174
        voltage_level = 3.3
175
        example(resource_name, options, channels, 'voltage',
176
                 aperture_time, 'source-voltage', settling_time,
177
178
                 current_limit_range=current_limit_range,
179
                 voltage_level=voltage_level)
        example (resource_name, options, channels, 'current',
180
                 aperture_time, 'source-voltage', settling_time,
181
                 current_limit_range=current_limit_range,
182
                 voltage_level=voltage_level)
183
184
185
                == '___main__':
    if
       name
186
187
        main()
```

# 7.3 nidmm module

# 7.3.1 Installation

As a prerequisite to using the nidmm module, you must install the NI-DMM runtime on your system. Visit ni.com/downloads to download the driver runtime for your devices.

The nimi-python modules (i.e. for NI-DMM) can be installed with pip:

```
$ python -m pip install nidmm~=1.3.3
```

#### Or easy\_install from setuptools:

```
$ python -m easy_install nidmm
```

# 7.3.2 Usage

The following is a basic example of using the **nidmm** module to open a session to a DMM and perform a 5.5 digits of resolution voltage measurement in the 10 V range.

```
import nidmm
with nidmm.Session("Dev1") as session:
    session.configureMeasurementDigits(nidmm.Function.DC_VOLTS, 10, 5.5)
    print("Measurement: " + str(session.read()))
```

Additional examples for NI-DMM are located in src/nidmm/examples/ directory.

# 7.3.3 API Reference

#### Session

- **class** nidmm.**Session** (*self*, *resource\_name*, *id\_query=False*, *reset\_device=False*, *options={}*) This method completes the following tasks:
  - Creates a new IVI instrument driver session and, optionally, sets the initial state of the following session properties: nidmm.Session.RANGE\_CHECK, nidmm.Session. QUERY\_INSTR\_STATUS, nidmm.Session.CACHE, nidmm.Session.simulate, nidmm. Session.RECORD\_COERCIONS.
  - Opens a session to the device you specify for the **Resource\_Name** parameter. If the **ID\_Query** parameter is set to True, this method queries the instrument ID and checks that it is valid for this instrument driver.
  - If the **Reset\_Device** parameter is set to True, this method resets the instrument to a known state. Sends initialization commands to set the instrument to the state necessary for the operation of the instrument driver.
  - Returns a ViSession handle that you use to identify the instrument in all subsequent instrument driver method calls.

Note: One or more of the referenced properties are not in the Python API for this driver.

#### Parameters

• resource\_name (str)-

**Caution:** All IVI names for the **Resource\_Name**, such as logical names or virtual names, are case-sensitive. If you use logical names, driver session names, or virtual names in your program, you must make sure that the name you use matches the name in the IVI Configuration Store file exactly, without any variations in the case of the characters in the name.

Contains the **resource\_name** of the device to initialize. The **resource\_name** is assigned in Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX). Refer to Related Documentation for the *NI Digital Multimeters Getting Started Guide* for more information about configuring and testing the DMM in MAX.

Valid Syntax:

- NI-DAQmx name
- DAQ::NI-DAQmx name[::INSTR]
- DAQ::Traditional NI-DAQ device number[::INSTR]
- IVI logical name
- **id\_query** (*bool*) Verifies that the device you initialize is one that the driver supports. NI-DMM automatically performs this query, so setting this parameter is not necessary. Defined Values:

True (default)	1	Perform ID Query
False	0	Skip ID Query

• **reset\_device** (*bool*) – Specifies whether to reset the instrument during the initialization procedure. Defined Values:

True (default)	1	Reset Device
False	0	Don't Reset

• **options** (*dict*) – Specifies the initial value of certain properties for the session. The syntax for **options** is a dictionary of properties with an assigned value. For example:

{ 'simulate': False }

You do not have to specify a value for all the properties. If you do not specify a value for a property, the default value is used.

Advanced Example: { 'simulate': True, 'driver\_setup': { 'Model': '<model number>', 'BoardType': '<type>' } }

Property	Default
range_check	True
query_instrument_status	False
cache	True
simulate	False
record_value_coersions	False
driver_setup	{}

## Methods

## abort

nidmm.Session.abort()

Aborts a previously initiated measurement and returns the DMM to the Idle state.

#### close

```
nidmm.Session.close()
```

Closes the specified session and deallocates resources that it reserved.

Note: This method is not needed when using the session context manager

#### configure\_measurement\_absolute

#### **Parameters**

- measurement\_function (*nidmm.Function*) Specifies the measurement\_function used to acquire the measurement. The driver sets nidmm. Session.method to this value.
- **range** (*float*) Specifies the **range** for the method specified in the **Measuresurement\_Function** parameter. When frequency is specified in the **Measurement\_Function** parameter, you must supply the minimum frequency expected in the **range** parameter. For example, you must type in 100 Hz if you are measuring 101 Hz or higher. For all other methods, you must supply a **range** that exceeds the value that you are measuring. For example, you must type in 10 V if you are measuring 9 V. **range** values are coerced up to the closest input **range**. Refer to the Devices Overview for a list of valid ranges. The driver sets *nidmm.Session.range* to this value. The default is 0.02 V.

NIDMM_VA	LAU	ONIRAMINAL pointforms an Auto Range before acquiring the			
	1.0	measurement.			
NIDMM_VA	LAU	CONIRIAMINAL SETS The Range to the current nidmm. Session.			
	2.0	auto_range_value and uses this range for all subse-			
		quent measurements until the measurement configuration is			
		changed.			
NIDMM_VA	NIDMM_VAL_AUT ONIRIONINI_ operforms an Auto Range before acquir-				
	3.0	ing the measurement. The nidmm.Session.			
		auto_range_value is stored and used for all sub-			
		sequent measurements until the measurement configuration			
		is changed.			

**Note:** The NI 4050, NI 4060, and NI 4065 only support Auto Range when the trigger and sample trigger are set to IMMEDIATE.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

• **resolution\_absolute** (*float*) - Specifies the absolute resolution for the measurement. NI-DMM sets *nidmm.Session.resolution\_absolute* to this value. The PXIe-4080/4081/4082 uses the resolution you specify. The NI 4065 and NI 4070/4071/4072 ignore this parameter when the **Range** parameter is set to NIDMM\_VAL\_AUTO\_RANGE\_ON (-1.0) or NIDMM\_VAL\_AUTO\_RANGE\_ONCE (- 3.0). The default is 0.001 V.

**Note:** NI-DMM ignores this parameter for capacitance and inductance measurements on the NI 4072. To achieve better resolution for such measurements, use the *nidmm.Session.lc\_number\_meas\_to\_average* property.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

# configure\_measurement\_digits

nidmm.Session.configure\_measurement\_digits (measurement\_function, range, resolution\_digits) Configures the common properties of the measurement. These properties include

nidmm.Session.method, nidmm.Session.range, and nidmm.Session. resolution\_digits.

#### Parameters

- measurement\_function (*nidmm.Function*) Specifies the measurement\_function used to acquire the measurement. The driver sets nidmm. Session.method to this value.
- **range** (*float*) Specifies the range for the method specified in the **Measuresurement\_Function** parameter. When frequency is specified in the **Measurement\_Function** parameter, you must supply the minimum frequency expected in the **range** parameter. For example, you must type in 100 Hz if you are measuring 101 Hz or higher. For all other methods, you must supply a range that exceeds the value that you are measuring. For example, you must type in 10 V if you are measuring 9 V. range values are coerced up to the closest input range. Refer to the Devices Overview for a list of valid ranges. The driver sets *nidmm.Session.range* to this value. The default is 0.02 V.

NIDMM_VA	LAU	NIRIANINA_pointforms an Auto Range before acquiring the			
	1.0	measurement.			
NIDMM_VA	LAU	ONIRIANIANA sets the Range to the current nidmm. Session.			
	2.0	auto_range_value and uses this range for all subse-			
		quent measurements until the measurement configuration is			
		changed.			
NIDMM_VA	LAU	DIRAMM_ operforms an Auto Range before acquir-			
	3.0	ing the measurement. The nidmm.Session.			
		auto_range_value is stored and used for all sub-			
		sequent measurements until the measurement configuration			
		is changed.			

**Note:** The NI 4050, NI 4060, and NI 4065 only support Auto Range when the trigger and sample trigger are set to IMMEDIATE.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

• **resolution\_digits** (*float*) – Specifies the resolution of the measurement in digits. The driver sets the Devices Overview for a list of valid ranges. The driver sets *nidmm.Session.resolution\_digits* property to this value. The PXIe-4080/4081/4082 uses the resolution you specify. The NI 4065 and NI 4070/4071/4072 ignore this parameter when the **Range** parameter is set to NIDMM\_VAL\_AUTO\_RANGE\_ON (-1.0) or NIDMM\_VAL\_AUTO\_RANGE\_ONCE (-3.0). The default is 5½.

**Note:** NI-DMM ignores this parameter for capacitance and inductance measurements on the NI 4072. To achieve better resolution for such measurements, use the *nidmm.Session.lc\_number\_meas\_to\_average* property.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

## configure\_multi\_point

#### 

Configures the properties for multipoint measurements. These properties include nidmm. Session.trigger\_count, nidmm.Session.sample\_count, nidmm.Session. sample\_trigger, and nidmm.Session.sample\_interval.

For continuous acquisitions, set *nidmm.Session.trigger\_count* or *nidmm.Session. sample\_count* to zero. For more information, refer to Multiple Point Acquisitions, Triggering, and Using Switches.

#### Parameters

- trigger\_count (*int*) Sets the number of triggers you want the DMM to receive before returning to the Idle state. The driver sets *nidmm.Session.* trigger\_count to this value. The default value is 1.
- **sample\_count** (*int*) Sets the number of measurements the DMM makes in each measurement sequence initiated by a trigger. The driver sets *nidmm*. *Session.sample\_count* to this value. The default value is 1.
- **sample\_trigger** (*nidmm.SampleTrigger*) Specifies the **sample\_trigger** source you want to use. The driver sets *nidmm.Session.sample\_trigger* to this value. The default is Immediate.

**Note:** To determine which values are supported by each device, refer to the Lab-Windows/CVI Trigger Routing section.

• **sample\_interval** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) – Sets the amount of time in seconds the DMM waits between measurement cycles. The driver sets nidmm.Session. sample\_interval to this value. Specify a sample interval to add settling time between measurement cycles or to decrease the measurement rate. **sample\_interval** only applies when the **Sample\_Trigger** is set to INTERVAL.

On the NI 4060, the **sample\_interval** value is used as the settling time. When sample interval is set to 0, the DMM does not settle between measurement cycles. The NI 4065 and NI 4070/4071/4072 use the value specified in **sample\_interval** as additional delay. The default value (-1) ensures that the DMM settles for a recommended time. This is the same as using an Immediate trigger.

Note: This property is not used on the NI 4080/4081/4082 and the NI 4050.

#### configure\_rtd\_custom

```
nidmm.Session.configure_rtd_custom(rtd_a, rtd_b, rtd_c)
Configures the A, B, and C parameters for a custom RTD.
```

#### **Parameters**

- **rtd\_a** (*float*) Specifies the Callendar-Van Dusen A coefficient for RTD scaling when RTD Type parameter is set to Custom in the *nidmm.Session. configure\_rtd\_type()* method. The default is 3.9083e-3 (Pt3851)
- **rtd\_b** (*float*) Specifies the Callendar-Van Dusen B coefficient for RTD scaling when RTD Type parameter is set to Custom in the *nidmm.Session. configure\_rtd\_type()* method. The default is -5.775e-7 (Pt3851).
- **rtd\_c** (*float*) Specifies the Callendar-Van Dusen C coefficient for RTD scaling when RTD Type parameter is set to Custom in the *nidmm.Session. configure\_rtd\_type()* method. The default is -4.183e-12 (Pt3851).

## configure\_rtd\_type

nidmm.Session.configure\_rtd\_type (*rtd\_type*, *rtd\_resistance*) Configures the RTD Type and RTD Resistance parameters for an RTD.

#### Parameters

• **rtd\_type** (*nidmm.RTDType*) – Specifies the type of RTD used to measure the temperature resistance. NI-DMM uses this value to set the RTD Type property. The default is *PT3851*.

Enum	Standards	Ma- te- rial	TCR (α)	Typ- ical R <sub>0</sub> (Ω)	Notes	
Callendar- Van Dusen Coeffi- cient						
PT3851	IEC-751           DIN         43760           BS         1904           ASTM-E1137           EN-60751	Plat- inum	.0038	5100 Ω 1000 Ω	$A = 3.9083  \times 10^{-3} B = -5.775 \times 10: sup: -7  C = -4.183 \times 10: sup: -12$	Most com- mon RTDs
PT3750	Low-cost ven- dor compliant RTD*	Plat- inum		<b>50</b> 000 Ω	$A = 3.81  \times 10^{-3} B = -6.02 \times 10: sup:-7  C = -6.0 \times 10: sup:-12$	Low- cost RTD
PT3916	JISC 1604	Plat- inum		1 <b>6</b> 00 Ω	$\begin{array}{rcl} A &=& 3.9739 \\ \times & 10^{-3} & B &= \\ -5.870 \times 10 : \text{sup:} -7 \\ C &= -4.4 \times 10^{-12} \end{array}$	Used in primar- ily in Japan
PT3920	US Industrial Standard D- 100 American	Plat- inum	.0039	Ω	A = 3.9787 × 10 <sup>-3</sup> B = -5.8686×10:sup:-7 C = -4.167 ×10 <sup>-12</sup>	Low- cost RTD
PT3911	US Indus- trial Standard American	Plat- inum	.0039	1100 Ω	$A = 3.9692  \times 10^{-3} B = -5.8495 \times 10: sup: -7  C = -4.233  \times 10^{-12}$	Low- cost RTD
PT3928	ITS-90	Plat- inum	.0039	2 <b>8</b> 00 Ω	$A = 3.9888 \times 10^{-3} B = -5.915 \times 10^{-3} \text{ sup:} -7 C = -3.85 \times 10^{-12}$	The defini- tion of temper- ature
*No stan- dard. Check the TCR.						

 rtd\_resistance (float) – Specifies the RTD resistance in ohms at 0 °C. NI-DMM uses this value to set the RTD Resistance property. The default is 100 (Ω).

## configure\_thermistor\_custom

nidmm.Session.configure\_thermistor\_custom(thermistor\_a, thermistor\_b, thermis-

 $tor_c$ )

Configures the A, B, and C parameters for a custom thermistor.

#### Parameters

• thermistor\_a (float) - Specifies the Steinhart-Hart A coefficient for thermistor scaling when Thermistor Type is set to Custom in the nidmm. Session. ConfigureThermistorType() method. The default is 1.0295e-3 (44006).

**Note:** One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

• thermistor\_b (float) - Specifies the Steinhart-Hart B coefficient for thermistor scaling when Thermistor Type is set to Custom in the nidmm.Session. ConfigureThermistorType() method. The default is 2.391e-4 (44006).

**Note:** One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

• thermistor\_c (float) - Specifies the Steinhart-Hart C coefficient for thermistor scaling when Thermistor Type is set to Custom in the nidmm. Session. ConfigureThermistorType() method. The default is 1.568e-7 (44006).

**Note:** One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

#### configure\_thermocouple

nidmm.Session.configure\_thermocouple(thermocouple\_type,

refer-

*ence\_junction\_type=nidmm.ThermocoupleReferenceJunctionType.FIXED* Configures the thermocouple type and reference junction type for a chosen thermocouple.

#### **Parameters**

• thermocouple\_type (*nidmm*. ThermocoupleType) – Specifies the type of thermocouple used to measure the temperature. NI-DMM uses this value to set the Thermocouple Type property. The default is J.

В	Thermocouple type B
E	Thermocouple type E
J	Thermocouple type J
K	Thermocouple type K
Ν	Thermocouple type N
R	Thermocouple type R
S	Thermocouple type S
Т	Thermocouple type T

reference\_junction\_type(nidmm.ThermocoupleReferenceJunctionType)

 Specifies the type of reference junction to be used in the reference junction compensation of a thermocouple measurement. NI-DMM uses this value to set the Reference Junction Type property. The only supported value is NIDMM\_VAL\_TEMP\_REF\_JUNC\_FIXED.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

# configure\_trigger

Configures the DMM **Trigger\_Source** and **Trigger\_Delay**. Refer to Triggering and Using Switches for more information.

#### **Parameters**

• trigger\_source (nidmm.TriggerSource) - Specifies the trigger\_source that initiates the acquisition. The driver sets nidmm.Session. trigger\_source to this value. Software configures the DMM to wait until nidmm.Session.send\_software\_trigger() is called before triggering the DMM.

**Note:** To determine which values are supported by each device, refer to the Lab-Windows/CVI Trigger Routing section.

• trigger\_delay (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) - Specifies the time that the DMM waits after it has received a trigger before taking a measurement. The driver sets the nidmm. Session.trigger\_delay property to this value. By default, trigger\_delay is NIDMM\_VAL\_AUTO\_DELAY (-1), which means the DMM waits an appropriate settling time before taking the measurement. On the NI 4060, if you set trigger\_delay to 0, the DMM does not settle before taking the measurement. The NI 4065 and NI 4070/4071/4072 use the value specified in trigger\_delay as additional settling time.

Note: When using the NI 4050, Trigger\_Delay must be set to NIDMM\_VAL\_AUTO\_DELAY (-1).

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

#### configure\_waveform\_acquisition

```
nidmm.Session.configure_waveform_acquisition (measurement_function, range,
rate, waveform_points)
Configures the DMM for waveform acquisitions. This feature is supported on the NI
```

4080/4081/4082 and the NI 4070/4071/4072.

#### **Parameters**

• measurement\_function (*nidmm.Function*) - Specifies the measurement\_function used in a waveform acquisition. The driver sets nidmm. Session.method to this value.

WAVEFORM_VOLTAGE (default)	1003	Voltage Waveform
WAVEFORM_CURRENT	1004	Current Waveform

• **range** (*float*) – Specifies the expected maximum amplitude of the input signal and sets the **range** for the **Measurement\_Function**. NI-DMM sets *nidmm*. *Session.range* to this value. **range** values are coerced up to the closest input **range**. The default is 10.0.

For valid ranges refer to the topics in Devices.

Auto-ranging is not supported during waveform acquisitions.

• **rate** (float) - Specifies the **rate** of the acquisition in samples per second. NI-DMM sets nidmm.Session.waveform\_rate to this value.

The valid **Range** is 10.0–1,800,000 S/s. **rate** values are coerced to the closest integer divisor of 1,800,000. The default value is 1,800,000.

• waveform\_points (*int*) - Specifies the number of points to acquire before the waveform acquisition completes. NI-DMM sets *nidmm.Session. waveform\_points* to this value.

To calculate the maximum and minimum number of waveform points that you can acquire in one acquisition, refer to the Waveform Acquisition Measurement Cycle.

The default value is 500.

## disable

```
nidmm.Session.disable()
```

Places the instrument in a quiescent state where it has minimal or no impact on the system to which it is connected. If a measurement is in progress when this method is called, the measurement is aborted.

#### export\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer

#### nidmm.Session.export\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer()

Exports the property configuration of the session to the specified configuration buffer.

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers.

This method verifies that the properties you have configured for the session are valid. If the configuration is invalid, NI-DMM returns an error.

## **Coercion Behavior for Certain Devices**

Imported and exported property configurations contain coerced values for the following NI-DMM devices:

- PXI/PCI/PCIe/USB-4065
- PXI/PCI-4070
- PXI-4071
- PXI-4072

NI-DMM coerces property values when the value you set is within the allowed range for the property but is not one of the discrete valid values the property supports. For example, for a property that coerces values up, if you choose a value of 4 when the adjacent valid values are 1 and 10, the property coerces the value to 10.

# **Related Topics:**

Using Properties and Properties with NI-DMM

Setting Properties Before Reading Properties

Note: Not supported on the PCMCIA-4050 or the PXI/PCI-4060.

# Return type bytes

**Returns** Specifies the byte array buffer to be populated with the exported property configuration.

# export\_attribute\_configuration\_file

# nidmm.Session.export\_attribute\_configuration\_file(file\_path)

Exports the property configuration of the session to the specified file.

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers.

This method verifies that the properties you have configured for the session are valid. If the configuration is invalid, NI-DMM returns an error.

## **Coercion Behavior for Certain Devices**

Imported and exported property configurations contain coerced values for the following NI-DMM devices:

- PXI/PCI/PCIe/USB-4065
- PXI/PCI-4070
- PXI-4071
- PXI-4072

NI-DMM coerces property values when the value you set is within the allowed range for the property but is not one of the discrete valid values the property supports. For example, for a property that coerces values up, if you choose a value of 4 when the adjacent valid values are 1 and 10, the property coerces the value to 10.

# **Related Topics:**

Using Properties and Properties with NI-DMM

Setting Properties Before Reading Properties

Note: Not supported on the PCMCIA-4050 or the PXI/PCI-4060.

**Parameters file\_path** (*str*) – Specifies the absolute path to the file to contain the exported property configuration. If you specify an empty or relative path, this method returns an error. **Default file extension:** .nidmmconfig

## fetch

- nidmm.Session.fetch(maximum\_time=hightime.timedelta(milliseconds=-1))
  Returns the value from a previously initiated measurement. You must call nidmm.Session.
  \_initiate() before calling this method.
  - Parameters maximum\_time(hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or int in milliseconds)- Specifies the maximum\_time allowed for this method to complete in milliseconds. If the method does not complete within this time interval, the method returns the NIDMM\_ERROR\_MAX\_TIME\_EXCEEDED error code. This may happen if an external trigger has not been received, or if the specified timeout is not long enough for the acquisition to complete.

The valid range is 0-86400000. The default value is NIDMM\_VAL\_TIME\_LIMIT\_AUTO (-1). The DMM calculates the timeout automatically.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

#### Return type float

Returns The measured value returned from the DMM.

# fetch\_multi\_point

```
nidmm.Session.fetch_multi_point (array_size, maximum_time=hightime.timedelta(milliseconds=-
```

1))

Returns an array of values from a previously initiated multipoint measurement. The number of measurements the DMM makes is determined by the values you specify for the **Trigger\_Count** and **Sample\_Count** parameters of *nidmm.Session.configure\_multi\_point()*. You must first call nidmm.Session.\_initiate() to initiate a measurement before calling this method.

#### Parameters

• **array\_size** (*int*) – Specifies the number of measurements to acquire. The maximum number of measurements for a finite acquisition is the (**Trigger Count** x **Sample Count**) parameters in *nidmm*.Session.configure\_multi\_point().

For continuous acquisitions, up to 100,000 points can be returned at once. The number of measurements can be a subset. The valid range is any positive ViInt32. The default value is 1.

• maximum\_time (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or int in milliseconds) - Specifies the maximum\_time allowed for this method to complete in milliseconds. If the method does not complete within this time interval, the method returns the NIDMM\_ERROR\_MAX\_TIME\_EXCEEDED error code. This may happen if an external trigger has not been received, or if the specified timeout is not long enough for the acquisition to complete.

The valid range is 0-86400000. The default value is NIDMM\_VAL\_TIME\_LIMIT\_AUTO (-1). The DMM calculates the timeout automatically.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

#### **Return type**

tuple (reading\_array, actual\_number\_of\_points)

WHERE

reading\_array (array.array("d")):

An array of measurement values.

**Note:** The size of the **Reading\_Array** must be at least the size that you specify for the **Array\_Size** parameter.

actual\_number\_of\_points (int):

Indicates the number of measured values actually retrieved from the DMM.

#### fetch\_waveform

*I)*) For the NI 4080/4081/4082 and the NI 4070/4071/4072, returns an array of values from a previously initiated waveform acquisition. You must call nidmm.Session.\_initiate() before calling this method.

#### **Parameters**

- **array\_size** (*int*) Specifies the number of waveform points to return. You specify the total number of points that the DMM acquires in the **Waveform Points** parameter of *nidmm.Session.configure\_waveform\_acquisition()*. The default value is 1.
- maximum\_time (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or int in milliseconds) - Specifies the maximum\_time allowed for this method to complete in milliseconds. If the method does not complete within this time interval, the method returns the NIDMM\_ERROR\_MAX\_TIME\_EXCEEDED error code. This may happen if an external trigger has not been received, or if the specified timeout is not long enough for the acquisition to complete.

The valid range is 0–86400000. The default value is NIDMM\_VAL\_TIME\_LIMIT\_AUTO (-1). The DMM calculates the timeout automatically.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

#### **Return type**

tuple (waveform\_array, actual\_number\_of\_points)

WHERE

waveform\_array (array.array("d")):

**Waveform Array** is an array of measurement values stored in waveform data type.

actual\_number\_of\_points (int):

Indicates the number of measured values actually retrieved from the DMM.

# fetch\_waveform\_into

nidmm.Session.fetch\_waveform\_into(array\_size, maximum\_time=hightime.timedelta(milliseconds=-

*1*)) For the NI 4080/4081/4082 and the NI 4070/4071/4072, returns an array of values from a previously initiated waveform acquisition. You must call nidmm.Session.\_initiate() before calling this method.

#### **Parameters**

- waveform\_array (numpy.array(dtype=numpy.float64)) Waveform Array is an array of measurement values stored in waveform data type.
- maximum\_time (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or int in milliseconds) – Specifies the maximum\_time allowed for this method to complete in milliseconds. If the method does not complete within this time interval, the method returns the NIDMM\_ERROR\_MAX\_TIME\_EXCEEDED error code. This may happen if an external trigger has not been received, or if the specified timeout is not long enough for the acquisition to complete.

The valid range is 0–86400000. The default value is NIDMM\_VAL\_TIME\_LIMIT\_AUTO (-1). The DMM calculates the timeout automatically.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

## Return type

tuple (waveform\_array, actual\_number\_of\_points)

WHERE

waveform\_array (numpy.array(dtype=numpy.float64)):

**Waveform Array** is an array of measurement values stored in waveform data type.

actual\_number\_of\_points (int):

Indicates the number of measured values actually retrieved from the DMM.

# get\_cal\_date\_and\_time

nidmm.Session.get\_cal\_date\_and\_time (*cal\_type*) Returns the date and time of the last calibration performed.

Note: The NI 4050 and NI 4060 are not supported.

**Parameters cal\_type** (*int*) – Specifies the type of calibration performed (external or self-calibration).

NIDMM_VAL_INTERNAL_AREA (default)	0	Self-Calibration
NIDMM_VAL_EXTERNAL_AREA	1	External Calibration

Note: The NI 4065 does not support self-calibration.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

**Return type** hightime.datetime

Returns Indicates date and time of the last calibration.

# get\_dev\_temp

nidmm.Session.get\_dev\_temp (options="")
Returns the current Temperature of the device.

Note: The NI 4050 and NI 4060 are not supported.

**Parameters** options (*str*) – Reserved.

Return type float

Returns Returns the current temperature of the device.

#### get\_ext\_cal\_recommended\_interval

nidmm.Session.get\_ext\_cal\_recommended\_interval()
 Returns the recommended interval between external recalibration in Months.

Note: The NI 4050 and NI 4060 are not supported.

Return type hightime.timedelta

Returns Returns the recommended number of months between external calibrations.

## get\_last\_cal\_temp

nidmm.Session.get\_last\_cal\_temp(cal\_type)

Returns the **Temperature** during the last calibration procedure.

Note: The NI 4050 and NI 4060 are not supported.

**Parameters cal\_type** (*int*) – Specifies the type of calibration performed (external or self-calibration).

NIDMM_VAL_INTERNAL_AREA (default)	0	Self-Calibration
NIDMM_VAL_EXTERNAL_AREA	1	External Calibration

Note: The NI 4065 does not support self-calibration.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

#### Return type float

Returns Returns the temperature during the last calibration.

## get\_self\_cal\_supported

#### nidmm.Session.get\_self\_cal\_supported()

Returns a Boolean value that expresses whether or not the DMM that you are using can perform self-calibration.

Return type bool

#### Returns

Returns whether Self Cal is supported for the device specified by the given session.

Tru	e	1	The DMM that you are using can perform self-calibration.
Fals	e	0	The DMM that you are using cannot perform self-calibration.

## import\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer

nidmm.Session.import\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer(configuration) Imports a property configuration to the session from the specified configuration buffer.

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers.

#### **Coercion Behavior for Certain Devices**

Imported and exported property configurations contain coerced values for the following NI-DMM devices:

- PXI/PCI/PCIe/USB-4065
- PXI/PCI-4070
- PXI-4071
- PXI-4072

NI-DMM coerces property values when the value you set is within the allowed range for the property but is not one of the discrete valid values the property supports. For example, for a property that coerces values up, if you choose a value of 4 when the adjacent valid values are 1 and 10, the property coerces the value to 10.

# **Related Topics:**

Using Properties and Properties with NI-DMM

Setting Properties Before Reading Properties

Note: Not supported on the PCMCIA-4050 or the PXI/PCI-4060.

**Parameters configuration** (*bytes*) – Specifies the byte array buffer that contains the property configuration to import.

# import\_attribute\_configuration\_file

nidmm.Session.import\_attribute\_configuration\_file(file\_path)

Imports a property configuration to the session from the specified file.

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers.

## **Coercion Behavior for Certain Devices**

Imported and exported property configurations contain coerced values for the following NI-DMM devices:

- PXI/PCI/PCIe/USB-4065
- PXI/PCI-4070
- PXI-4071
- PXI-4072

NI-DMM coerces property values when the value you set is within the allowed range for the property but is not one of the discrete valid values the property supports. For example, for a property that coerces values up, if you choose a value of 4 when the adjacent valid values are 1 and 10, the property coerces the value to 10.

# **Related Topics:**

Using Properties and Properties with NI-DMM

Setting Properties Before Reading Properties

Note: Not supported on the PCMCIA-4050 or the PXI/PCI-4060.

**Parameters file\_path** (*str*) – Specifies the absolute path to the file containing the property configuration to import. If you specify an empty or relative path, this method returns an error. **Default File Extension:** .nidmmconfig

# initiate

```
nidmm.Session.initiate()
```

Initiates an acquisition. After you call this method, the DMM leaves the Idle state and enters the Wait-for-Trigger state. If trigger is set to Immediate mode, the DMM begins acquiring measurement data. Use nidmm.Session.fetch(), nidmm.Session.fetch\_multi\_point(), or nidmm.Session.fetch\_waveform() to retrieve the measurement data.

**Note:** This method will return a Python context manager that will initiate on entering and abort on exit.

#### lock

nidmm.Session.lock()

Obtains a multithread lock on the device session. Before doing so, the software waits until all other execution threads release their locks on the device session.

Other threads may have obtained a lock on this session for the following reasons:

- The application called the *nidmm*. Session.lock() method.
- A call to NI-DMM locked the session.
- After a call to the *nidmm.Session.lock()* method returns successfully, no other threads can access the device session until you call the *nidmm.Session.unlock()* method or exit out of the with block when using lock context manager.
- Use the *nidmm.Session.lock()* method and the *nidmm.Session.unlock()* method around a sequence of calls to instrument driver methods if you require that the device retain its settings through the end of the sequence.

You can safely make nested calls to the *nidmm.Session.lock()* method within the same thread. To completely unlock the session, you must balance each call to the *nidmm.Session.lock()* method with a call to the *nidmm.Session.unlock()* method.

One method for ensuring there are the same number of unlock method calls as there is lock calls is to use lock as a context manager

```
with nidmm.Session('dev1') as session:
    with session.lock():
        # Calls to session within a single lock context
```

The first with block ensures the session is closed regardless of any exceptions raised

The second with block ensures that unlock is called regardless of any exceptions raised

Return type context manager

**Returns** When used in a *with* statement, *nidmm.Session.lock()* acts as a context manager and unlock will be called when the *with* block is exited

## perform\_open\_cable\_comp

#### nidmm.Session.perform\_open\_cable\_comp()

For the NI 4082 and NI 4072 only, performs the open cable compensation measurements for the current capacitance/inductance range, and returns open cable compensation **Conductance** and **Susceptance** values. You can use the return values of this method as inputs to nidmm.Session. ConfigureOpenCableCompValues().

This method returns an error if the value of the nidmm.Session.method property is not set to CAPACITANCE (1005) or INDUCTANCE (1006).

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

#### **Return type**

tuple (conductance, susceptance)

WHERE

conductance (float):

conductance is the measured value of open cable compensation conductance.

susceptance (float):

susceptance is the measured value of open cable compensation susceptance.

# perform\_short\_cable\_comp

#### nidmm.Session.perform\_short\_cable\_comp()

Performs the short cable compensation measurements for the current capacitance/inductance range, and returns short cable compensation **Resistance** and **Reactance** values. You can use the return values of this method as inputs to nidmm.Session.ConfigureShortCableCompValues().

This method returns an error if the value of the nidmm.Session.method property is not set to CAPACITANCE (1005) or INDUCTANCE (1006).

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

#### **Return type**

tuple (resistance, reactance)

WHERE

resistance (float):

resistance is the measured value of short cable compensation resistance.

reactance (float):

reactance is the measured value of short cable compensation reactance.

#### read

# nidmm.Session.read (maximum\_time=hightime.timedelta(milliseconds=-1)) Acquires a single measurement and returns the measured value.

Parameters maximum\_time(hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or int in milliseconds)- Specifies the maximum\_time allowed for this method to complete in milliseconds. If the method does not complete within this time interval, the method returns the NIDMM\_ERROR\_MAX\_TIME\_EXCEEDED error code. This may happen if an external trigger has not been received, or if the specified timeout is not long enough for the acquisition to complete.

The valid range is 0-86400000. The default value is NIDMM\_VAL\_TIME\_LIMIT\_AUTO (-1). The DMM calculates the timeout automatically.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

#### Return type float

Returns The measured value returned from the DMM.

# read\_multi\_point

Acquires multiple measurements and returns an array of measured values. The number of measurements the DMM makes is determined by the values you specify for the **Trigger\_Count** and **Sample\_Count** parameters in *nidmm.Session.configure\_multi\_point()*.

#### Parameters

• **array\_size** (*int*) – Specifies the number of measurements to acquire. The maximum number of measurements for a finite acquisition is the (**Trigger Count** x **Sample Count**) parameters in *nidmm.Session.configure\_multi\_point(*).

For continuous acquisitions, up to 100,000 points can be returned at once. The number of measurements can be a subset. The valid range is any positive ViInt32. The default value is 1.

• maximum\_time (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or int in milliseconds) - Specifies the maximum\_time allowed for this method to complete in milliseconds. If the method does not complete within this time interval, the method returns the NIDMM\_ERROR\_MAX\_TIME\_EXCEEDED error code. This may happen if an external trigger has not been received, or if the specified timeout is not long enough for the acquisition to complete.

The valid range is 0–86400000. The default value is  ${\tt NIDMM\_VAL\_TIME\_LIMIT\_AUTO}$  (-1). The DMM calculates the timeout automatically.

Note: One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this

driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

#### **Return type**

tuple (reading\_array, actual\_number\_of\_points)

WHERE

reading\_array (array.array("d")):

An array of measurement values.

**Note:** The size of the **Reading\_Array** must be at least the size that you specify for the **Array\_Size** parameter.

actual\_number\_of\_points (int):

Indicates the number of measured values actually retrieved from the DMM.

# read\_status

```
nidmm.Session.read_status()
```

Returns measurement backlog and acquisition status. Use this method to determine how many measurements are available before calling nidmm.Session.fetch(), nidmm.Session.fetch\_multi\_point(), or nidmm.Session.fetch\_waveform().

Note: The NI 4050 is not supported.

#### **Return type**

tuple (acquisition\_backlog, acquisition\_status)

WHERE

acquisition\_backlog (int):

The number of measurements available to be read. If the backlog continues to increase, data is eventually overwritten, resulting in an error.

**Note:** On the NI 4060, the **Backlog** does not increase when autoranging. On the NI 4065, the **Backlog** does not increase when Range is set to AUTO RANGE ON (-1), or before the first point is fetched when Range is set to AUTO RANGE ONCE (-3). These behaviors are due to the autorange model of the devices.

acquisition\_status (nidmm.AcquisitionStatus):

Indicates status of the acquisition. The following table shows the acquisition states:

0	Running
1	Finished with backlog
2	Finished with no backlog
3	Paused
4	No acquisition in progress

#### read\_waveform

nidmm.Session.read\_waveform (array\_size, maximum\_time=hightime.timedelta(milliseconds=-1)) For the NI 4080/4081/4082 and the NI 4070/4071/4072, acquires a waveform and returns data as

an array of values or as a waveform data type. The number of elements in the **Waveform\_Array** is determined by the values you specify for the **Waveform\_Points** parameter in *nidmm.Session.* configure\_waveform\_acquisition().

## Parameters

- **array\_size** (*int*) Specifies the number of waveform points to return. You specify the total number of points that the DMM acquires in the **Waveform Points** parameter of *nidmm.Session.configure\_waveform\_acquisition()*. The default value is 1.
- maximum\_time (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or int in milliseconds) – Specifies the maximum\_time allowed for this method to complete in milliseconds. If the method does not complete within this time interval, the method returns the NIDMM\_ERROR\_MAX\_TIME\_EXCEEDED error code. This may happen if an external trigger has not been received, or if the specified timeout is not long enough for the acquisition to complete.

The valid range is 0-86400000. The default value is NIDMM\_VAL\_TIME\_LIMIT\_AUTO (-1). The DMM calculates the timeout automatically.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

#### **Return type**

tuple (waveform\_array, actual\_number\_of\_points)

#### WHERE

waveform\_array (array.array("d")):

An array of measurement values.

**Note:** The size of the **Waveform\_Array** must be at least the size that you specify for the **Array\_Size** parameter.

actual\_number\_of\_points (int):

Indicates the number of measured values actually retrieved from the DMM.

# reset

```
nidmm.Session.reset()
```

Resets the instrument to a known state and sends initialization commands to the instrument. The initialization commands set instrument settings to the state necessary for the operation of the instrument driver.

## reset\_with\_defaults

```
nidmm.Session.reset_with_defaults()
```

Resets the instrument to a known state and sends initialization commands to the DMM. The initialization commands set the DMM settings to the state necessary for the operation of NI-DMM. All user-defined default values associated with a logical name are applied after setting the DMM.

## self\_cal

```
nidmm.Session.self_cal()
```

For the NI 4080/4081/4082 and the NI 4070/4071/4072, executes the self-calibration routine to maintain measurement accuracy.

**Note:** This method calls *nidmm*. *Session*. *reset* (), and any configurations previous to the call will be lost. All properties will be set to their default values after the call returns.

#### self\_test

```
nidmm.Session.self_test()
```

Performs a self-test on the DMM to ensure that the DMM is functioning properly. Self-test does not calibrate the DMM. Zero indicates success.

On the NI 4080/4082 and NI 4070/4072, the error code 1013 indicates that you should check the fuse and replace it, if necessary.

Raises SelfTestError on self test failure. Properties on exception object:

- code failure code from driver
- message status message from driver

**Note:** Self-test does not check the fuse on the NI 4065, NI 4071, and NI 4081. Hence, even if the fuse is blown on the device, self-test does not return error code 1013.

**Note:** This method calls *nidmm*. *Session*. *reset* (), and any configurations previous to the call will be lost. All properties will be set to their default values after the call returns.

## send\_software\_trigger

```
nidmm.Session.send_software_trigger()
```

Sends a command to trigger the DMM. Call this method if you have configured either the *nidmm*. Session.trigger\_source or *nidmm*.Session.sample\_trigger properties. If the *nidmm*.Session.trigger\_source and/or *nidmm*.Session.sample\_trigger properties are set to NIDMM\_VAL\_EXTERNAL or NIDMM\_VAL\_TTL*n*, you can use this method to override the trigger source that you configured and trigger the device. The NI 4050 and NI 4060 are not supported. **Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

# unlock

nidmm.Session.unlock()

Releases a lock that you acquired on an device session using *nidmm*. Session.lock(). Refer to *nidmm*. Session.unlock() for additional information on session locks.

# **Properties**

# ac\_max\_freq

## nidmm.Session.ac\_max\_freq

Specifies the maximum frequency component of the input signal for AC measurements. This property is used only for error checking and verifies that the value of this parameter is less than the maximum frequency of the device. This property affects the DMM only when you set the nidmm. Session.method property to AC measurements. The valid range is 1 Hz-300 kHz for the NI 4070/4071/4072, 10 Hz-100 kHz for the NI 4065, and 20 Hz-25 kHz for the NI 4050 and NI 4060.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Max Frequency
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_AC\_MAX\_FREQ

## ac\_min\_freq

nidmm.Session.ac\_min\_freq

Specifies the minimum frequency component of the input signal for AC measurements. This property affects the DMM only when you set the nidmm.Session.method property to AC measurements. The valid range is 1 Hz-300 kHz for the NI 4070/4071/4072, 10 Hz-100 kHz for the NI 4065, and 20 Hz-25 kHz for the NI 4050 and NI 4060.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Min Frequency
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_AC\_MIN\_FREQ

# adc\_calibration

## nidmm.Session.adc\_calibration

For the NI 4070/4071/4072 only, specifies the ADC calibration mode.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ADCCalibration
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:ADC Calibration
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_ADC\_CALIBRATION

# aperture\_time

## nidmm.Session.aperture\_time

Specifies the measurement aperture time for the current configuration. Aperture time is specified in units set by nidmm.Session.aperture\_time\_units. To override the default aperture, set this property to the desired aperture time after calling nidmm. Session.ConfigureMeasurement(). To return to the default, set this property to NIDMM VAL APERTURE TIME AUTO (-1). On the NI 4070/4071/4072, the minimum aperture time is 8.89 usec, and the maximum aperture time is 149 sec. Any number of powerline cycles (PLCs) within the minimum and maximum ranges is allowed on the NI 4070/4071/4072. On the NI 4065 the minimum aperture time is 333 µs, and the maximum aperture time is 78.2 s. If setting the number of averages directly, the total measurement time is aperture time X the number of averages, which must be less than 72.8 s. The aperture times allowed are 333  $\mu$ s, 667  $\mu$ s, or multiples of 1.11 ms-for example 1.11 ms, 2.22 ms, 3.33 ms, and so on. If you set an aperture time other than 333  $\mu$ s, 667  $\mu$ s, or multiples of 1.11 ms, the value will be coerced up to the next supported aperture time. On the NI 4060, when the powerline frequency is 60 Hz, the PLCs allowed are 1 PLC, 6 PLC, 12 PLC, and 120 PLC. When the powerline frequency is 50 Hz, the PLCs allowed are 1 PLC, 5 PLC, 10 PLC, and 100 PLC.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Advanced:Aperture Time
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_APERTURE\_TIME

#### aperture\_time\_units

## nidmm.Session.aperture\_time\_units

Specifies the units of aperture time for the current configuration. The NI 4060 does not support an aperture time set in seconds.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ApertureTimeUnits
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Advanced:Aperture Time Units
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_APERTURE\_TIME\_UNITS

#### auto\_range\_value

#### nidmm.Session.auto\_range\_value

Specifies the value of the range. If auto ranging, shows the actual value of the active range. The value of this property is set during a read operation.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Auto Range Value
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_AUTO\_RANGE\_VALUE

#### auto\_zero

nidmm.Session.auto\_zero

Specifies the AutoZero mode. The NI 4050 is not supported.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.AutoZero
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Auto Zero
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_AUTO\_ZERO

# buffer\_size

#### nidmm.Session.buffer\_size

Size in samples of the internal data buffer. Maximum is 134,217,727 (OX7FFFFFF) samples. When set to NIDMM\_VAL\_BUFFER\_SIZE\_AUTO (-1), NI-DMM chooses the buffer size.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Multi Point Acquisition: Advanced: Buffer Size
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_BUFFER\_SIZE

# cable\_comp\_type

nidmm.Session.cable\_comp\_type

For the NI 4072 only, the type of cable compensation that is applied to the current capacitance or inductance measurement for the current range. Changing the method or the range through this property or through *nidmm.Session.configure\_measurement\_digits()* resets the value of this property to the default value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.CableCompensationType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Capacitance and Inductance:Cable Compensation Type
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_CABLE\_COMP\_TYPE

#### channel\_count

nidmm.Session.channel\_count

Indicates the number of channels that the specific instrument driver supports. For each property for which the IVI\_VAL\_MULTI\_CHANNEL flag property is set, the IVI engine maintains a separate cache value for each channel.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Capabilities:Channel Count

• C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_CHANNEL\_COUNT

# current\_source

#### nidmm.Session.current\_source

Specifies the current source provided during diode measurements. The NI 4050 and NI 4060 are not supported.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Current Source

• C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_CURRENT\_SOURCE

#### dc\_bias

#### nidmm.Session.dc\_bias

For the NI 4072 only, controls the available DC bias for capacitance measurements.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Capacitance and Inductance:Advanced:DC Bias
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_DC\_BIAS

# dc\_noise\_rejection

nidmm.Session.dc\_noise\_rejection

Specifies the DC noise rejection mode. The NI 4050 and NI 4060 are not supported.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.DCNoiseRejection
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:DC Noise Rejection
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_DC\_NOISE\_REJECTION

## driver\_setup

#### nidmm.Session.driver\_setup

This property indicates the Driver Setup string that the user specified when initializing the driver. Some cases exist where the end-user must specify instrument driver options at initialization time. An example of this is specifying a particular instrument model from among a family of instruments that the driver supports. This is useful when using simulation. The end-user can specify driver-specific options through the DriverSetup keyword in the optionsString parameter to the niDMM Init With Options.vi. If the user does not specify a Driver Setup string, this property returns an empty string.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:User Options:Driver Setup
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_DRIVER\_SETUP

# freq\_voltage\_auto\_range

# nidmm.Session.freq\_voltage\_auto\_range

For the NI 4070/4071/4072 only, specifies the value of the frequency voltage range. If Auto Ranging, shows the actual value of the active frequency voltage range. If not Auto Ranging, the value of this property is the same as that of *nidmm*. Session.freq\_voltage\_range.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Frequency Voltage Auto Range Value
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_FREQ\_VOLTAGE\_AUTO\_RANGE

# freq\_voltage\_range

# nidmm.Session.freq\_voltage\_range

Specifies the maximum amplitude of the input signal for frequency measurements.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Frequency Voltage Range
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_FREQ\_VOLTAGE\_RANGE

# function

## nidmm.Session.function

Specifies the measurement method. Refer to the nidmm.Session.method topic in the NI Digital Multimeters Help for device-specific information. If you are setting this property directly, you must also set the *nidmm.Session.operation\_mode* property, which controls whether the DMM takes standard single or multipoint measurements, or acquires a waveform. If you are programming properties directly, you must set the *nidmm.Session.operation\_mode* property before setting other configuration properties. If the *nidmm.Session.operation\_mode* property is set to *WAVEFORM*, the only valid method types are WAVEFORM\_VOLTAGE and WAVEFORM\_CURRENT. Set the *nidmm.Session.operation\_mode* property to *IVIDMM* to set all other method values.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.Function
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Function
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_FUNCTION

## input\_resistance

## nidmm.Session.input\_resistance

Specifies the input resistance of the instrument. The NI 4050 and NI 4060 are not supported.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Input Resistance
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_INPUT\_RESISTANCE

# instrument\_firmware\_revision

nidmm.Session.instrument\_firmware\_revision A string containing the instrument firmware revision number.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Instrument Firmware Revision

# • C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_FIRMWARE\_REVISION

## instrument\_manufacturer

## nidmm.Session.instrument\_manufacturer

A string containing the manufacturer of the instrument.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Instrument Manufacturer
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MANUFACTURER

## instrument\_model

## nidmm.Session.instrument\_model

A string containing the instrument model.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Instrument Model
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MODEL

# instrument\_product\_id

nidmm.Session.instrument\_product\_id
 The PCI product ID.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Instrument Product ID
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_PRODUCT\_ID

# io\_resource\_descriptor

# nidmm.Session.io\_resource\_descriptor

A string containing the resource descriptor of the instrument.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes: Advanced Session Information: I/O Resource Descriptor
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_IO\_RESOURCE\_DESCRIPTOR

# lc\_calculation\_model

## nidmm.Session.lc\_calculation\_model

For the NI 4072 only, specifies the type of algorithm that the measurement processing uses for capacitance and inductance measurements.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.LCCalculationModel
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Capacitance and Inductance:Advanced:Calculation Model
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_LC\_CALCULATION\_MODEL

# lc\_number\_meas\_to\_average

#### nidmm.Session.lc\_number\_meas\_to\_average

For the NI 4072 only, specifies the number of LC measurements that are averaged to produce one reading.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Capacitance and Inductance:Number of LC Measurements To Average
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_LC\_NUMBER\_MEAS\_TO\_AVERAGE

# logical\_name

nidmm.Session.logical\_name

A string containing the logical name of the instrument.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes: Advanced Session Information: Logical Name
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_LOGICAL\_NAME

# meas\_complete\_dest

#### nidmm.Session.meas\_complete\_dest

Specifies the destination of the measurement complete (MC) signal. The NI 4050 is not supported.

To determine which values are supported by each device, refer to the LabWindows/CVI Trigger Routing section in the NI Digital Multimeters Help.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.MeasurementCompleteDest
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Trigger:Measurement Complete Dest
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_MEAS\_COMPLETE\_DEST

# number\_of\_averages

nidmm.Session.number\_of\_averages

Specifies the number of averages to perform in a measurement. For the NI 4070/4071/4072, applies only when the aperture time is not set to AUTO and Auto Zero is ON. The default is 1. The NI 4050 and NI 4060 are not supported.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Advanced:Number Of Averages
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_NUMBER\_OF\_AVERAGES

## offset\_comp\_ohms

nidmm.Session.offset\_comp\_ohms

For the NI 4070/4071/4072 only, enables or disables offset compensated ohms.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Offset Compensated Ohms
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_OFFSET\_COMP\_OHMS

## open\_cable\_comp\_conductance

nidmm.Session.open\_cable\_comp\_conductance

For the NI 4072 only, specifies the active part (conductance) of the open cable compensation. The valid range is any real number greater than 0. The default value (-1.0) indicates that compensation has not taken place. Changing the method or the range through this property or through *nidmm*. *Session.configure\_measurement\_digits()* resets the value of this property to the default value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Capacitance and Inductance:Open Cable Compensation Values:Conductance
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_OPEN\_CABLE\_COMP\_CONDUCTANCE

## open\_cable\_comp\_susceptance

nidmm.Session.open\_cable\_comp\_susceptance

For the NI 4072 only, specifies the reactive part (susceptance) of the open cable compensation. The valid range is any real number greater than 0. The default value (-1.0) indicates that compensation has not taken place. Changing the method or the range through this property or through nidmm.Session.configure\_measurement\_digits() resets the value of this property to the default value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Capacitance and Inductance:Open Cable Compensation Values:Susceptance
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_OPEN\_CABLE\_COMP\_SUSCEPTANCE

# operation\_mode

nidmm.Session.operation\_mode

Specifies how the NI 4065 and NI 4070/4071/4072 acquire data. When you call *nidmm*. *Session.configure\_measurement\_digits()*, NI-DMM sets this property to *IVIDMM*. When you call *nidmm*. *Session.configure\_waveform\_acquisition()*, NI-DMM sets this property to *WAVEFORM*. If you are programming properties directly, you must set this property before setting other configuration properties.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.OperationMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Advanced:Operation Mode
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_OPERATION\_MODE

## powerline\_freq

nidmm.Session.powerline\_freq

Specifies the powerline frequency. The NI 4050 and NI 4060 use this value to select an aperture time to reject powerline noise by selecting the appropriate internal sample clock and filter. The NI 4065 and NI 4070/4071/4072 use this value to select a timebase for setting the *nidmm.Session.aperture\_time* property in powerline cycles (PLCs). After configuring powerline frequency, set the *nidmm.Session.aperture\_time* property, select the number of PLCs. When setting the *nidmm.Session.aperture\_time* property, select the number of PLCs for the powerline frequency. For example, if powerline frequency = 50 Hz (or 20ms) and aperture time in PLCs = 5, then aperture time in Seconds = 20ms \* 5 PLCs = 100 ms. Similarly, if powerline frequency = 60 Hz (or 16.667 ms) and aperture time in PLCs = 6, then aperture time in Seconds = 16.667 ms \* 6 PLCs = 100 ms.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Powerline Frequency
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_POWERLINE\_FREQ

#### range

nidmm.Session.range

Specifies the measurement range. Use positive values to represent the absolute value of the maximum expected measurement. The value is in units appropriate for the current value of the nidmm.Session.method property. For example, if nidmm.Session. method is set to NIDMM\_VAL\_VOLTS, the units are volts. The NI 4050 and NI 4060 only support Auto Range when the trigger and sample trigger is set to IMMEDIATE. NIDMM\_VAL\_AUTO\_RANGE\_ON -1.0 NI-DMM performs an Auto Range before acquiring the measurement. NIDMM\_VAL\_AUTO\_RANGE\_OFF -2.0 NI-DMM sets the Range to the current nidmm.Session.auto\_range\_value and uses this range for all subsequent measurements until the measurement configuration is changed. NIDMM\_VAL\_AUTO\_RANGE\_ONCE -3.0 NI-DMM performs an Auto Range before acquiring the next measurement. The nidmm.Session. auto\_range\_value is stored and used for all subsequent measurements until the measurement configuration is changed.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Range
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_RANGE

# resolution\_absolute

nidmm.Session.resolution\_absolute

Specifies the measurement resolution in absolute units. Setting this property to higher values increases the measurement accuracy. Setting this property to lower values increases the measurements on the NI 4072. To achieve better resolution for such measurements, use the *nidmm.Session*. *lc\_number\_meas\_to\_average* property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration: Absolute Resolution
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_RESOLUTION\_ABSOLUTE

## resolution\_digits

#### nidmm.Session.resolution\_digits

Specifies the measurement resolution in digits. Setting this property to higher values increases the measurement accuracy. Setting this property to lower values increases the measurement speed. NI-DMM ignores this property for capacitance and inductance measurements on the NI 4072. To achieve better resolution for such measurements, use the *nidmm.Session.lc\_number\_meas\_to\_average* property.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Digits Resolution
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_RESOLUTION\_DIGITS

## sample\_count

nidmm.Session.sample\_count

Specifies the number of measurements the DMM takes each time it receives a trigger in a multiple point acquisition.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Multi Point Acquisition:Sample Count
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SAMPLE\_COUNT

## sample\_interval

Specifies the amount of time in seconds the DMM waits between measurement cycles. This property only applies when the *nidmm*. *Session.sample\_trigger* property is set to INTERVAL. On the NI 4060, the value for this property is used as the settling time. When this property is set to 0, the NI 4060 does not settle between measurement cycles. The onboard timing resolution is 1  $\mu$ s on the NI 4060. The NI 4065 and NI 4070/4071/4072 use the value specified in this property as additional delay. On the NI 4065 and NI 4070/4071/4072, the onboard timing resolution is 34.72 ns and the valid range is 0-149 s. Only positive values are valid when setting the sample interval. The NI 4050 is not supported.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Multi Point Acquisition:Sample Interval
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SAMPLE\_INTERVAL

# sample\_trigger

## nidmm.Session.sample\_trigger

Specifies the sample trigger source. To determine which values are supported by each device, refer to the LabWindows/CVI Trigger Routing section in the NI Digital Multimeters Help.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.SampleTrigger
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Multi Point Acquisition:Sample Trigger

# • C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SAMPLE\_TRIGGER

# serial\_number

nidmm.Session.serial\_number

A string containing the serial number of the instrument. This property corresponds to the serial number label that is attached to most products.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Instrument Serial Number
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SERIAL\_NUMBER

# settle\_time

Specifies the settling time in seconds. To override the default settling time, set this property. To return to the default, set this property to NIDMM\_VAL\_SETTLE\_TIME\_AUTO (-1). The NI 4050 and NI 4060 are not supported.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Advanced:Settle Time
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SETTLE\_TIME

nidmm.Session.settle\_time

# short\_cable\_comp\_reactance

#### nidmm.Session.short\_cable\_comp\_reactance

For the NI 4072 only, represents the reactive part (reactance) of the short cable compensation. The valid range is any real number greater than 0. The default value (-1) indicates that compensation has not taken place. Changing the method or the range through this property or through *nidmm*. *Session.configure\_measurement\_digits()* resets the value of this property to the default value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Capacitance and Inductance:Short Cable Compensation Values:Reactance
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SHORT\_CABLE\_COMP\_REACTANCE

# short\_cable\_comp\_resistance

## nidmm.Session.short\_cable\_comp\_resistance

For the NI 4072 only, represents the active part (resistance) of the short cable compensation. The valid range is any real number greater than 0. The default value (-1) indicates that compensation has not taken place. Changing the method or the range through this property or through *nidmm*. *Session.configure\_measurement\_digits()* resets the value of this property to the default value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Capacitance and Inductance:Short Cable Compensation Values:Resistance
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SHORT\_CABLE\_COMP\_RESISTANCE

# simulate

### nidmm.Session.simulate

Specifies whether or not to simulate instrument driver I/O operations. If simulation is enabled, instrument driver methods perform range checking and call IVI Get and Set methods, but they do not perform instrument I/O. For output parameters that represent instrument data, the instrument driver methods return calculated values. The default value is False (0). Use the nidmm.Session. \_\_\_\_\_\_() method to override this setting. Simulate can only be set within the InitWithOptions method. The property value cannot be changed outside of the method.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:User Options:Simulate
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SIMULATE

### specific\_driver\_description

nidmm.Session.specific\_driver\_description

A string containing a description of the specific driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Specific Driver Identification:Specific Driver Description
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_DESCRIPTION

# specific\_driver\_major\_version

nidmm.Session.**specific\_driver\_major\_version** Returns the major version number of this instrument driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes: Version Info: Specific Driver Major Version
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_MAJOR\_VERSION

### specific\_driver\_minor\_version

nidmm.Session.**specific\_driver\_minor\_version** The minor version number of this instrument driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes: Version Info: Specific Driver Minor Version

C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_MINOR\_VERSION

# specific\_driver\_revision

### nidmm.Session.specific\_driver\_revision

A string that contains additional version information about this specific instrument driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes: Version Info: Specific Driver Revision
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_REVISION

# specific\_driver\_vendor

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A string containing the vendor of the specific driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Specific Driver Identification:Specific Driver Vendor
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_VENDOR

### supported\_instrument\_models

### nidmm.Session.supported\_instrument\_models

A string containing the instrument models supported by the specific driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Specific Driver Capabilities:Supported Instrument Models
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_SUPPORTED\_INSTRUMENT\_MODELS

### temp\_rtd\_a

nidmm.Session.temp\_rtd\_a

Specifies the Callendar-Van Dusen A coefficient for RTD scaling when the RTD Type property is set to Custom. The default value is 3.9083e-3 (Pt3851).

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Resistance Temperature Detector:RTD A
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_RTD\_A

# temp\_rtd\_b

nidmm.Session.temp\_rtd\_b

Specifies the Callendar-Van Dusen B coefficient for RTD scaling when the RTD Type property is set to Custom. The default value is -5.775e-7(Pt3851).

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Resistance Temperature Detector:RTD B
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_RTD\_B

# temp\_rtd\_c

nidmm.Session.temp\_rtd\_c

Specifies the Callendar-Van Dusen C coefficient for RTD scaling when the RTD Type property is set to Custom. The default value is -4.183e-12(Pt3851).

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Resistance Temperature Detector:RTD C
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_RTD\_C

### temp\_rtd\_res

nidmm.Session.temp\_rtd\_res

Specifies the RTD resistance at 0 degrees Celsius. This applies to all supported RTDs, including custom RTDs. The default value is 100 (?).

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Resistance Temperature Detector:RTD Resistance
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_RTD\_RES

### temp\_rtd\_type

nidmm.Session.temp\_rtd\_type

Specifies the type of RTD used to measure temperature. The default value is *PT3851*. Refer to the *nidmm.Session.temp\_rtd\_type* topic in the NI Digital Multimeters Help for additional information about defined values.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.RTDType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Resistance Temperature Detector:RTD Type
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_RTD\_TYPE

# temp\_tc\_fixed\_ref\_junc

# nidmm.Session.temp\_tc\_fixed\_ref\_junc

Specifies the reference junction temperature when a fixed reference junction is used to take a thermocouple measurement. The default value is 25.0 (°C).

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Thermocouple:Fixed Reference Junction
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_TC\_FIXED\_REF\_JUNC

# temp\_tc\_ref\_junc\_type

### nidmm.Session.temp\_tc\_ref\_junc\_type

Specifies the type of reference junction to be used in the reference junction compensation of a thermocouple. The only supported value, NIDMM\_VAL\_TEMP\_REF\_JUNC\_FIXED, is fixed.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ThermocoupleReferenceJunctionType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Thermocouple:Reference Junction Type
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_TC\_REF\_JUNC\_TYPE

# temp\_tc\_type

nidmm.Session.temp\_tc\_type

Specifies the type of thermocouple used to measure the temperature. The default value is J.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ThermocoupleType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Thermocouple:Thermocouple Type
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_TC\_TYPE

### temp\_thermistor\_a

nidmm.Session.temp\_thermistor\_a

Specifies the Steinhart-Hart A coefficient for thermistor scaling when the Thermistor Type property is set to Custom. The default value is 0.0010295 (44006).

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Thermistor:Thermistor A
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_THERMISTOR\_A

### temp\_thermistor\_b

nidmm.Session.temp\_thermistor\_b

Specifies the Steinhart-Hart B coefficient for thermistor scaling when the Thermistor Type proerty is set to Custom. The default value is 0.0002391 (44006).

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Thermistor:Thermistor B
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_THERMISTOR\_B

# temp\_thermistor\_c

# nidmm.Session.temp\_thermistor\_c

Specifies the Steinhart-Hart C coefficient for thermistor scaling when the Thermistor Type property is set to Custom. The default value is 1.568e-7 (44006).

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Thermistor:Thermistor C
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_THERMISTOR\_C

# temp\_thermistor\_type

### nidmm.Session.temp\_thermistor\_type

Specifies the type of thermistor used to measure the temperature. The default value is *THERMISTOR\_44006*. Refer to the *nidmm.Session.temp\_thermistor\_type* topic in the NI Digital Multimeters Help for additional information about defined values.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ThermistorType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Thermistor:Thermistor Type
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_THERMISTOR\_TYPE

### temp\_transducer\_type

### nidmm.Session.temp\_transducer\_type

Specifies the type of device used to measure the temperature. The default value is NIDMM\_VAL\_4\_THERMOCOUPLE.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TransducerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Configuration:Measurement Options:Temperature:Transducer Type
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TEMP\_TRANSDUCER\_TYPE

# trigger\_count

### nidmm.Session.trigger\_count

Specifies the number of triggers the DMM receives before returning to the Idle state. This property can be set to any positive ViInt32 value for the NI 4065 and NI 4070/4071/4072. The NI 4050 and NI 4060 support this property being set to 1. Refer to the Multiple Point Acquisitions section of the NI Digital Multimeters Help for more information.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Multi Point Acquisition: Trigger Count
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_COUNT

# trigger\_delay

nidmm.Session.trigger\_delay

Specifies the time (in seconds) that the DMM waits after it has received a trigger before taking a measurement. The default value is AUTO DELAY (-1), which means that the DMM waits an appropriate settling time before taking the measurement. (-1) signifies that AUTO DELAY is on, and (-2) signifies that AUTO DELAY is off. The NI 4065 and NI 4070/4071/4072 use the value specified in this property as additional settling time. For the The NI 4065 and NI 4070/4071/4072, the valid range for Trigger Delay is AUTO DELAY (-1) or 0.0-149.0 seconds and the onboard timing resolution is 34.72 ns. On the NI 4060, if this property is set to 0, the DMM does not settle before taking the measurement. On the NI 4060, the valid range for AUTO DELAY (-1) is 0.0-12.0 seconds and the onboard timing resolution is 100 ms. When using the NI 4050, this property must be set to AUTO DELAY (-1). Use positive values to set the trigger delay in seconds. Valid Range: NIDMM\_VAL\_AUTO\_DELAY (-1.0), 0.0-12.0 seconds (NI 4060 only) Default Value: NIDMM\_VAL\_AUTO\_DELAY

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Trigger: Trigger Delay
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_DELAY

# trigger\_source

nidmm.Session.trigger\_source

Specifies the trigger source. When nidmm.Session.\_initiate() is called, the DMM waits for the trigger specified with this property. After it receives the trigger, the DMM waits the length of time specified with the *nidmm.Session.trigger\_delay* property. The DMM then takes a measurement. This property is not supported on the NI 4050. To determine which values are supported by each device, refer to the LabWindows/CVI Trigger Routing section in the NI Digital Multimeters Help.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerSource
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Trigger:Trigger Source
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_SOURCE

# waveform\_coupling

nidmm.Session.waveform\_coupling

For the NI 4070/4071/4072 only, specifies the coupling during a waveform acquisition.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.WaveformCoupling
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Acquisition: Waveform Coupling
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_WAVEFORM\_COUPLING

### waveform\_points

nidmm.Session.waveform\_points

For the NI 4070/4071/4072 only, specifies the number of points to acquire in a waveform acquisition.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value		
Datatype	int		
Permissions	read-write		
Channel Based	No		
Resettable	No		

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Acquisition: Waveform Points
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_WAVEFORM\_POINTS

# waveform\_rate

### nidmm.Session.waveform\_rate

For the NI 4070/4071/4072 only, specifies the rate of the waveform acquisition in Samples per second (S/s). The valid Range is 10.0-1,800,000 S/s. Values are coerced to the closest integer divisor of 1,800,000. The default value is 1,800,000.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value		
Datatype	float		
Permissions	read-write		
Channel Based	No		
Resettable	No		

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Acquisition: Waveform Rate
- C Attribute: NIDMM\_ATTR\_WAVEFORM\_RATE

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- get\_dev\_temp
- get\_ext\_cal\_recommended\_interval
- get\_last\_cal\_temp
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- *import\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer*
- *import\_attribute\_configuration\_file*
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- perform\_short\_cable\_comp
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- read\_multi\_point
- read\_status
- read\_waveform
- reset
- reset\_with\_defaults
- self\_cal
- self\_test
- send\_software\_trigger
- unlock
- Properties
  - ac\_max\_freq
  - ac\_min\_freq
  - adc\_calibration
  - aperture\_time
  - aperture\_time\_units
  - auto\_range\_value
  - auto\_zero
  - buffer\_size
  - cable\_comp\_type
  - channel\_count

- current\_source
- dc\_bias
- dc\_noise\_rejection
- driver\_setup
- freq\_voltage\_auto\_range
- freq\_voltage\_range
- function
- input\_resistance
- instrument\_firmware\_revision
- *instrument\_manufacturer*
- instrument\_model
- instrument\_product\_id
- *io\_resource\_descriptor*
- lc\_calculation\_model
- lc\_number\_meas\_to\_average
- logical\_name
- meas\_complete\_dest
- number\_of\_averages
- offset\_comp\_ohms
- open\_cable\_comp\_conductance
- open\_cable\_comp\_susceptance
- operation\_mode
- powerline\_freq
- range
- resolution\_absolute
- resolution\_digits
- sample\_count
- *sample\_interval*
- sample\_trigger
- serial\_number
- settle\_time
- short\_cable\_comp\_reactance
- short\_cable\_comp\_resistance
- simulate
- specific\_driver\_description
- specific\_driver\_major\_version

- specific\_driver\_minor\_version
- specific\_driver\_revision
- specific\_driver\_vendor
- supported\_instrument\_models
- temp\_rtd\_a
- temp\_rtd\_b
- temp\_rtd\_c
- temp\_rtd\_res
- temp\_rtd\_type
- temp\_tc\_fixed\_ref\_junc
- temp\_tc\_ref\_junc\_type
- temp\_tc\_type
- temp\_thermistor\_a
- temp\_thermistor\_b
- temp\_thermistor\_c
- temp\_thermistor\_type
- temp\_transducer\_type
- trigger\_count
- trigger\_delay
- trigger\_source
- waveform\_coupling
- waveform\_points
- waveform\_rate

# Enums

Enums used in NI-DMM

# **ADCCalibration**

class nidmm.ADCCalibration

# AUTO

The DMM enables or disables ADC calibration for you.

### OFF

The DMM does not compensate for changes to the gain.

### ON

The DMM measures an internal reference to calculate the correct gain for the measurement.

# **AcquisitionStatus**

# class nidmm.AcquisitionStatus

RUNNING

Running

FINISHED\_WITH\_BACKLOG Finished with Backlog

FINISHED\_WITH\_NO\_BACKLOG Finished with no Backlog

PAUSED

Paused

**NO\_ACQUISITION\_IN\_PROGRESS** No acquisition in progress

# ApertureTimeUnits

class nidmm.ApertureTimeUnits

SECONDS

Seconds

**POWER\_LINE\_CYCLES** Powerline Cycles

# **AutoZero**

class nidmm.AutoZero

# AUTO

The drivers chooses the AutoZero setting based on the configured method and resolution.

OFF

Disables AutoZero.

### ON

The DMM internally disconnects the input signal following each measurement and takes a zero reading. It then subtracts the zero reading from the preceding reading.

### ONCE

The DMM internally disconnects the input signal for the first measurement and takes a zero reading. It then subtracts the zero reading from the first reading and the following readings.

# CableCompensationType

### class nidmm.CableCompensationType

# NONE

No Cable Compensation

### OPEN

Open Cable Compensation

### SHORT

Short Cable Compensation

### OPEN\_AND\_SHORT

Open and Short Cable Compensation

### **DCNoiseRejection**

### class nidmm.DCNoiseRejection

### AUTO

The driver chooses the DC noise rejection setting based on the configured method and resolution.

### NORMAL

NI-DMM weighs all samples equally.

### SECOND\_ORDER

NI-DMM weighs the samples taken in the middle of the aperture time more than samples taken at the beginning and the end of the measurement using a triangular weighing method.

# HIGH\_ORDER

NI-DMM weighs the samples taken in the middle of the aperture time more than samples taken at the beginning and the end of the measurement using a bell-curve weighing method.

# **Function**

class nidmm.Function

DC\_VOLTS

DC Voltage

AC\_VOLTS AC Voltage

DC\_CURRENT DC Current

AC\_CURRENT AC Current

**TWO\_WIRE\_RES** 2-Wire Resistance

FOUR\_WIRE\_RES

4-Wire Resistance

FREQ

Frequency

PERIOD

Period

### TEMPERATURE

NI 4065, NI 4070/4071/4072, and NI 4080/4081/4182 supported.

AC\_VOLTS\_DC\_COUPLED AC Voltage with DC Coupling

DIODE

Diode

**WAVEFORM\_VOLTAGE** Waveform voltage

WAVEFORM\_CURRENT

Waveform current

CAPACITANCE

Capacitance

INDUCTANCE

Inductance

# **LCCalculationModel**

# class nidmm.LCCalculationModel

# AUTO

NI-DMM chooses the algorithm based on method and range

### SERIES

NI-DMM uses the series impedance model to calculate capacitance and inductance

### PARALLEL

NI-DMM uses the parallel admittance model to calculate capacitance and inductance

### MeasurementCompleteDest

## class nidmm.MeasurementCompleteDest

NONE

No Trigger

# EXTERNAL

AUX I/O Connector

# PXI\_TRIG0

PXI Trigger Line 0

# PXI\_TRIG1

PXI Trigger Line 1

# PXI\_TRIG2

PXI Trigger Line 2

# PXI\_TRIG3

PXI Trigger Line 3

# PXI\_TRIG4

PXI Trigger Line 4

# PXI\_TRIG5

PXI Trigger Line 5

# PXI\_TRIG6

PXI Trigger Line 6

## PXI\_TRIG7

PXI Trigger Line 7

# LBR\_TRIG0

Internal Trigger Line of a PXI/SCXI Combination Chassis

# **OperationMode**

class nidmm.OperationMode

### IVIDMM

IviDmm Mode

# WAVEFORM

Waveform acquisition mode

# RTDType

class nidmm.RTDType

### CUSTOM

Performs Callendar-Van Dusen RTD scaling with the user-specified A, B, and C coefficients.

# PT3750

Performs scaling for a Pt 3750 RTD.

### PT3851

Performs scaling for a Pt 3851 RTD.

# PT3911

Performs scaling for a Pt 3911 RTD.

### PT3916

Performs scaling for a Pt 3916 RTD.

# PT3920

Performs scaling for a Pt 3920 RTD.

# PT3928

Performs scaling for a Pt 3928 RTD.

# SampleTrigger

class nidmm.SampleTrigger

### IMMEDIATE

No Trigger

# EXTERNAL

AUX I/O Connector Trigger Line 0

SOFTWARE\_TRIG

Software Trigger

### INTERVAL

Interval Trigger

# PXI\_TRIG0

PXI Trigger Line 0

# PXI\_TRIG1

PXI Trigger Line 1

### PXI\_TRIG2

PXI Trigger Line 2

PXI\_TRIG3 PXI Trigger Line 3

# PXI\_TRIG4

PXI Trigger Line 4

# PXI\_TRIG5

PXI Trigger Line 5

# PXI\_TRIG6

PXI Trigger Line 6

# PXI\_TRIG7

PXI Trigger Line 7

# PXI\_STAR

PXI Star Trigger Line

# AUX\_TRIG1

AUX I/0 Connector Trigger Line 1

# LBR\_TRIG1

Internal Trigger Line of a PXI/SCXI Combination Chassis

# ThermistorType

class nidmm.ThermistorType

# CUSTOM

Custom

# **THERMISTOR\_44004**44004

**THERMISTOR\_44006** 44006

# **THERMISTOR\_44007** 44007

# ThermocoupleReferenceJunctionType

# class nidmm.ThermocoupleReferenceJunctionType

## FIXED

Thermocouple reference juction is fixed at the user-specified temperature.

# ThermocoupleType

### class nidmm.ThermocoupleType

в Thermocouple type B Е Thermocouple type E J Thermocouple type J к Thermocouple type K N Thermocouple type N R Thermocouple type R S Thermocouple type S т Thermocouple type T

# TransducerType

class nidmm.TransducerType

### THERMOCOUPLE

Thermocouple

# THERMISTOR

Thermistor

### TWO\_WIRE\_RTD 2-wire RTD

FOUR\_WIRE\_RTD 4-wire RTD

# TriggerSource

class nidmm.TriggerSource

# IMMEDIATE

No Trigger

### EXTERNAL

AUX I/O Connector Trigger Line 0

# SOFTWARE\_TRIG

Software Trigger

# PXI\_TRIG0

PXI Trigger Line 0

# PXI\_TRIG1

PXI Trigger Line 1

### PXI\_TRIG2

PXI Trigger Line 2

PXI\_TRIG3 PXI Trigger Line 3

# PXI\_TRIG4

PXI Trigger Line 4

# PXI\_TRIG5

PXI Trigger Line 5

# PXI\_TRIG6

PXI Trigger Line 6

# PXI\_TRIG7

PXI Trigger Line 7

# PXI\_STAR

PXI Star Trigger Line

# AUX\_TRIG1

AUX I/O Connector Trigger Line 1

# LBR\_TRIG1

Internal Trigger Line of a PXI/SCXI Combination Chassis

# WaveformCoupling

class nidmm.WaveformCoupling

# AC

AC Coupled

# DC

DC Coupled

# **Exceptions and Warnings**

# Error

**exception** nidmm.errors.**Error** Base exception type that all NI-DMM exceptions derive from

# DriverError

**exception** nidmm.errors.**DriverError** An error originating from the NI-DMM driver

### **UnsupportedConfigurationError**

**exception** nidmm.errors.**UnsupportedConfigurationError** An error due to using this module in an usupported platform.

### **DriverNotInstalledError**

**exception** nidmm.errors.**DriverNotInstalledError** An error due to using this module without the driver runtime installed.

# InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError

**exception** nidmm.errors.**InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError** An error due to an invalid character in a repeated capability

# SelfTestError

**exception** nidmm.errors.**SelfTestError** An error due to a failed self-test

## **DriverWarning**

**exception** nidmm.errors.**DriverWarning** A warning originating from the NI-DMM driver

# **Examples**

You can download all nidmm examples here

### nidmm\_fetch\_waveform.py

Listing 7: (nidmm\_fetch\_waveform.py)

```
1 #!/usr/bin/python
2
3 import argparse
4 import nidmm
5 import sys
6 import time
7
8
9 def example(resource_name, options, function, range, points, rate):
```

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with nidmm.Session(resource\_name=resource\_name, options=options) as session: session.configure\_waveform\_acquisition (measurement\_function=nidmm. →Function[function], range=range, rate=rate, waveform\_points=points) with session.initiate(): while True: time.sleep(0.1)backlog, acquisition\_state = session.read\_status() if acquisition\_state == nidmm.AcquisitionStatus.FINISHED\_WITH\_NO\_ → BACKLOG: break measurements = session.fetch\_waveform(array\_size=backlog) print (measurements) **def** main(argsv): parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Performs a waveform acquisition\_ --using the NI-DMM API.', formatter\_class=argparse.ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter) parser.add\_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource, ⇔name of a National Instruments Digital Multimeter.') parser.add\_argument('-f', '--function', default='WAVEFORM\_VOLTAGE', choices=nidmm. →Function.\_\_members\_\_.keys(), type=str.upper, help='Measurement function.') parser.add\_argument('-r', '--range', default=10, type=float, help='Measurement... → range.') parser.add\_argument('-p', '--points', default=10, type=int, help='Specifies the\_ parser.add\_argument('-s', '--rate', default=1000, type=int, help='Specifies the,  $\rightarrow$ rate of the acquisition in samples per second.') parser.add\_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option... →string') args = parser.parse\_args(argsv) example(args.resource\_name, args.option\_string, args.function, args.range, args. →points, args.rate) def main(): \_main(sys.argv[1:]) def test\_example(): options = {'simulate': True, 'driver\_setup': {'Model': '4082', 'BoardType': 'PXIe  $\leftrightarrow$  ', }, } example('PXI1Slot2', options, 'WAVEFORM\_VOLTAGE', 10, 10, 1000) def test\_main(): cmd\_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:4082; BoardType:PXIe  $\rightarrow$  ', ] main(cmd line) 45 46 47 if \_\_name\_\_ == '\_\_main\_\_': 48 main() 49 50 51

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# nidmm\_measurement.py

```
Listing 8: (nidmm_measurement.py)
```

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
3
   import argparse
   import nidmm
4
   import sys
5
6
7
   def example (resource_name, option_string, function, range, digits):
8
       with nidmm.Session(resource_name=resource_name, options=option_string) as session:
           session.configure_measurement_digits(measurement_function=nidmm.
10
   →Function[function], range=range, resolution_digits=digits)
           print(session.read())
11
12
13
   def __main(argsv):
14
15
       supported_functions = list(nidmm.Function.___members___.keys())
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Performs a single measurement using,
16

whe NI-DMM API.', formatter_class=argparse.ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)

       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource...
17
   ↔ name of a National Instruments Digital Multimeter.')
       parser.add_argument('-f', '--function', default=supported_functions[0],
18
   19
       parser.add_argument('-r', '--range', default=10, type=float, help='Measurement_

→ range.')
       parser.add_argument('-d', '--digits', default=6.5, type=float, help='Digits of_
20
   \rightarrow resolution for the measurement.')
       parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option_
21
   \leftrightarrow string')
22
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
23
       example(args.resource_name, args.option_string, args.function, args.range, args.
    →digits)
24
25
   def main():
26
27
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
28
29
   def test example():
30
       options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '4082', 'BoardType': 'PXIe
31
   \leftrightarrow ', }, }
       example('PXI1Slot2', options, 'DC_VOLTS', 10, 6.5)
32
33
34
   def test_main():
35
       cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:4082; BoardType:PXIe
36
   \rightarrow ', ]
       _main(cmd_line)
37
38
39
   if __name__ == '__main__':
40
       main()
41
42
43
```

### nidmm\_multi\_point\_measurement.py

```
Listing 9: (nidmm_multi_point_measurement.py)
```

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
3
   import argparse
   import nidmm
4
   import sys
5
6
7
   def example (resource_name, options, function, range, digits, samples, triggers):
8
       with nidmm.Session(resource_name=resource_name, options=options) as session:
           session.configure_measurement_digits(measurement_function=nidmm.
10
   →Function[function], range=range, resolution_digits=digits)
          session.configure_multi_point(trigger_count=triggers, sample_count=samples)
11
          measurements = session.read_multi_point(array_size=samples)
12
          print('Measurements: ', measurements)
13
14
15
   def _main(argsv):
16
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Performs a multipoint measurement...
17
   parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource_
18
   ←name of a National Instruments Digital Multimeter.')
      parser.add_argument('-f', '--function', default='DC_VOLTS', choices=nidmm.
19
   →Function.__members__.keys(), type=str.upper, help='Measurement function.')
      parser.add_argument('-r', '--range', default=10, type=float, help='Measurement...
20

→ range. ')

      parser.add_argument('-d', '--digits', default=6.5, type=float, help='Digits of...
21
   \rightarrow resolution for the measurement.')
      parser.add_argument('-s', '--samples', default=10, type=int, help='The number of...
22
   →measurements the DMM makes.')
       parser.add_argument('-t', '--triggers', default=1, type=int, help='Sets the...
23
   parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option_
24
   →string')
25
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
       example(args.resource_name, args.option_string, args.function, args.range, args.
26
   →digits, args.samples, args.triggers)
27
28
   def main():
29
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
30
31
32
33
   def test_example():
      options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '4082', 'BoardType': 'PXIe
34
   \rightarrow ', \}, \}
       example('PXI1Slot2', options, 'DC_VOLTS', 10, 6.5, 10, 1)
35
36
37
   def test_main():
38
      cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:4082; BoardType:PXIe
39
   \rightarrow ', ]
       _main(cmd_line)
40
41
```

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```
if __name__ == '__main__':
    main()
```

# 7.4 nifgen module

# 7.4.1 Installation

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As a prerequisite to using the nifgen module, you must install the NI-FGEN runtime on your system. Visit ni.com/downloads to download the driver runtime for your devices.

The nimi-python modules (i.e. for NI-FGEN) can be installed with pip:

\$ python -m pip install nifgen~=1.3.3

Or easy\_install from setuptools:

\$ python -m easy\_install nifgen

# 7.4.2 Usage

The following is a basic example of using the **nifgen** module to open a session to a Function Generator and generate a sine wave for 5 seconds.

```
import nifgen
import time
with nifgen.Session("Dev1") as session:
    session.output_mode = nifgen.OutputMode.FUNC
    session.configure_standard_waveform(waveform=nifgen.Waveform.SINE, amplitude=1.0,_
    frequency=10000000, dc_offset=0.0, start_phase=0.0)
    with session.initiate():
        time.sleep(5)
```

Additional examples for NI-FGEN are located in src/nifgen/examples/ directory.

# 7.4.3 API Reference

# Session

**class** nifgen. **Session** (*self*, *resource\_name*, *channel\_name=None*, *reset\_device=False*, *options={}*) Creates and returns a new NI-FGEN session to the specified channel of a waveform generator that is used in all subsequent NI-FGEN method calls.

**Parameters** 

```
• resource_name (str)-
```

**Caution:** Traditional NI-DAQ and NI-DAQmx device names are not case-sensitive. However, all IVI names, such as logical names, are case-sensitive. If you use logical names, driver session names, or virtual names in your program, you must ensure that the name you use matches the name in the IVI Configuration Store file exactly, without any variations in the case of the characters.

Specifies the resource name of the device to initialize.

For Traditional NI-DAQ devices, the syntax is DAQ::*n*, where *n* is the device number assigned by MAX, as shown in Example 1.

For NI-DAQmx devices, the syntax is just the device name specified in MAX, as shown in Example 2. Typical default names for NI-DAQmx devices in MAX are Dev1 or PXI1Slot1. You can rename an NI-DAQmx device by right-clicking on the name in MAX and entering a new name.

An alternate syntax for NI-DAQmx devices consists of DAQ::*NI-DAQmx device name*, as shown in Example 3. This naming convention allows for the use of an NI-DAQmx device in an application that was originally designed for a Traditional NI-DAQ device. For example, if the application expects DAQ::1, you can rename the NI-DAQmx device to 1 in MAX and pass in DAQ::1 for the resource name, as shown in Example 4.

If you use the DAQ::*n* syntax and an NI-DAQmx device name already exists with that same name, the NI-DAQmx device is matched first.

You can also pass in the name of an IVI logical name or an IVI virtual name configured with the IVI Configuration utility, as shown in Example 5. A logical name identifies a particular virtual instrument. A virtual name identifies a specific device and specifies the initial settings for the session.

Ex- ample #	Device Type	Syntax	Variable
1	Traditional NI-DAQ de- vice	DAQ::1	(1 = device number)
2	NI-DAQmx device	myDAQmxDevice	( <i>myDAQmxDevice</i> = de- vice name)
3	NI-DAQmx device	DAQ::myDAQmxD	ex(inneyDAQmxDevice = de- vice name)
4	NI-DAQmx device	DAQ::2	(2 = device name)
5	IVI logical name or IVI virtual name	myLogicalName	( <i>myLogicalName</i> = name)

• channel\_name (str, list, range, tuple) - Specifies the channel that this VI uses.

### Default Value: "0"

• **reset\_device** (*bool*) – Specifies whether you want to reset the device during the initialization procedure. True specifies that the device is reset and performs the same method as the nifgen.Session.Reset() method.

\*\*Defined Values\*\*

Default Value: False

True	Reset device		
False	Do not reset device		

• **options** (*dict*) – Specifies the initial value of certain properties for the session. The syntax for **options** is a dictionary of properties with an assigned value. For example:

{ 'simulate': False }

You do not have to specify a value for all the properties. If you do not specify a value for a property, the default value is used.

Advanced Example: { 'simulate': True, 'driver\_setup': { 'Model': '<model number>', 'BoardType': '<type>' } }

Property	Default
range_check	True
query_instrument_status	False
cache	True
simulate	False
record_value_coersions	False
driver_setup	{}

# Methods

### abort

```
nifgen.Session.abort()
```

Aborts any previously initiated signal generation. Call the *nifgen.Session.initiate()* method to cause the signal generator to produce a signal again.

### allocate\_named\_waveform

```
nifgen.Session.allocate_named_waveform(waveform_name, waveform_size)
```

Specifies the size of a named waveform up front so that it can be allocated in onboard memory before loading the associated data. Data can then be loaded in smaller blocks with the niFgen Write (Binary16) Waveform methods.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

# Parameters

- waveform\_name (str) Specifies the name to associate with the allocated waveform.
- waveform\_size (*int*) Specifies the size of the waveform to allocate in samples.

Default Value: "4096"

### allocate\_waveform

nifgen.Session.allocate\_waveform(waveform\_size)

Specifies the size of a waveform so that it can be allocated in onboard memory before loading the associated data. Data can then be loaded in smaller blocks with the Write Binary 16 Waveform methods.

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you call this method.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters waveform\_size** (*int*) – Specifies, in samples, the size of the waveform to allocate.

Return type int

**Returns** The handle that identifies the new waveform. This handle is used later when referring to this waveform.

### clear\_arb\_memory

```
nifgen.Session.clear_arb_memory()
```

Removes all previously created arbitrary waveforms, sequences, and scripts from the signal generator memory and invalidates all waveform handles, sequence handles, and waveform names.

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you call this method.

### clear\_arb\_sequence

nifgen.Session.clear\_arb\_sequence(sequence\_handle)

Removes a previously created arbitrary sequence from the signal generator memory and invalidates the sequence handle.

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you call this method.

**Parameters sequence\_handle** (*int*) – Specifies the handle of the arbitrary sequence that you want the signal generator to remove. You can create an arbitrary sequence using the *nifgen.Session.create\_arb\_sequence()* or *nifgen.Session.create\_advanced\_arb\_sequence()* method. These methods return a handle that you use to identify the sequence.

### **Defined Value:**

 $\label{eq:linear} \verb"NIFGEN_VAL_ALL_SEQUENCES-Remove all sequences from the signal generator$ 

Default Value: None

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

## clear\_freq\_list

nifgen.Session.clear\_freq\_list (frequency\_list\_handle)

Removes a previously created frequency list from the signal generator memory and invalidates the frequency list handle.

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you call this method.

**Parameters frequency\_list\_handle** (*int*) – Specifies the handle of the frequency list you want the signal generator to remove. You create multiple frequency lists using *nifgen.Session.create\_freq\_list()*. *nifgen.Session.create\_freq\_list()*. *nifgen.Session.create\_freq\_list()* returns a handle that you use to identify each list. Specify a value of -1 to clear all frequency lists.

### **Defined Value**

NIFGEN\_VAL\_ALL\_FLISTS—Remove all frequency lists from the signal generator.

Default Value: None

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

### clear\_user\_standard\_waveform

nifgen.Session.clear_user_standard_waveform()								
C	lears	the	user-defined	waveform	created	by	the	nifgen.Session.
d	efine_	_user_	standard_w	waveform()	method.			

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### close

nifgen.Session.close()

Performs the following operations:

- Closes the instrument I/O session.
- Destroys the NI-FGEN session and all of its properties.
- Deallocates any memory resources NI-FGEN uses.

Not all signal routes established by calling the nifgen.Session.ExportSignal() and nifgen.Session.RouteSignalOut() methods are released when the NI-FGEN session is closed. The following table shows what happens to a signal route on your device when you call the nifgen.Session.\_close() method.

Routes To	NI 5401/5411/5431	Other Devices
Front Panel	Remain connected	Remain connected
RTSI/PXI Backplane	Remain connected	Disconnected

Note: After calling nifgen.Session.\_close(), you cannot use NI-FGEN again until you call the nifgen.Session.init() or nifgen.Session.InitWithOptions() methods.

Note: This method is not needed when using the session context manager

### commit

nifgen.Session.commit()

Causes a transition to the Committed state. This method verifies property values, reserves the device, and commits the property values to the device. If the property values are all valid, NI-FGEN sets the device hardware configuration to match the session configuration. This method does not support the NI 5401/5404/5411/5431 signal generators.

In the Committed state, you can load waveforms, scripts, and sequences into memory. If any properties are changed, NI-FGEN implicitly transitions back to the Idle state, where you can program all session properties before applying them to the device. This method has no effect if the device is already in the Committed or Generating state and returns a successful status value.

Calling this VI before the niFgen Initiate Generation VI is optional but has the following benefits:

- Routes are committed, so signals are exported or imported.
- Any Reference Clock and external clock circuits are phase-locked.
- A subsequent *nifgen.Session.initiate()* method can run faster because the device is already configured.

# configure\_arb\_sequence

```
nifgen.Session.configure_arb_sequence(sequence_handle, gain, offset)
```

Configures the signal generator properties that affect arbitrary sequence generation. Sets

the nifgen.Session.arb\_sequence\_handle, nifgen.Session.arb\_gain, and nifgen.Session.arb\_offset properties.

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you call this method.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### Parameters

• **sequence\_handle** (*int*) – Specifies the handle of the arbitrary sequence that you want the signal generator to produce. NI-FGEN sets the *nifgen.Session.arb\_sequence\_handle* property to this value. You can create an arbitrary sequence using the *nifgen.Session.create\_arb\_sequence()* or *nifgen.Session.create\_advanced\_arb\_sequence()* method. These methods return a handle that you use to identify the sequence.

### Default Value: None

• **gain** (float) – Specifies the factor by which the signal generator scales the arbitrary waveforms in the sequence. When you create an arbitrary waveform, you must first normalize the data points to a range of -1.00 to +1.00. You can use this parameter to scale the waveform to other ranges. The gain is applied before the offset is added.

For example, to configure the output signal to range from -2.00 to +2.00 V, set **gain** to 2.00.

Units: unitless

Default Value: None

• **offset** (*float*) – Specifies the value the signal generator adds to the arbitrary waveform data. When you create arbitrary waveforms, you must first normalize the data points to a range of -1.00 to +1.00 V. You can use this parameter to shift the range of the arbitrary waveform. NI-FGEN sets the *nifgen.Session. arb\_offset* property to this value.

For example, to configure the output signal to range from 0.00 to 2.00 V instead of -1.00 to 1.00 V, set the offset to 1.00.

Units: volts

Default Value: None

### configure\_arb\_waveform

nifgen.Session.configure\_arb\_waveform(waveform\_handle, gain, offset)

Configures the properties of the signal generator that affect arbitrary waveform generation. Sets the nifgen.Session.arb\_waveform\_handle, nifgen.Session.arb\_gain, and nifgen.Session.arb\_offset properties. Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you call this method.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### **Parameters**

- waveform\_handle (*int*) Specifies the handle of the arbitrary waveform you want the signal generator to produce. NI-FGEN sets the *nifgen.Session. arb\_waveform\_handle* property to this value. You can create an arbitrary waveform using one of the following niFgen Create Waveform methods:
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform()
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform()
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform\_from\_file\_i16()
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform\_from\_file\_f64()
  - nifgen.Session.CreateWaveformFromFileHWS()

These methods return a handle that you use to identify the waveform.

### Default Value: None

**Note:** One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

• **gain** (float) – Specifies the factor by which the signal generator scales the arbitrary waveforms in the sequence. When you create an arbitrary waveform, you must first normalize the data points to a range of -1.00 to +1.00. You can use this parameter to scale the waveform to other ranges. The gain is applied before the offset is added.

For example, to configure the output signal to range from -2.00 to +2.00 V, set **gain** to 2.00.

Units: unitless

### Default Value: None

offset (float) – Specifies the value the signal generator adds to the arbitrary waveform data. When you create arbitrary waveforms, you must first normalize the data points to a range of -1.00 to +1.00 V. You can use this parameter to shift the range of the arbitrary waveform. NI-FGEN sets the nifgen.Session. arb\_offset property to this value.

For example, to configure the output signal to range from 0.00 to 2.00 V instead of -1.00 to 1.00 V, set the offset to 1.00.

Units: volts

Default Value: None

# configure\_freq\_list

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you call this method.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### **Parameters**

- **frequency\_list\_handle** (*int*) Specifies the handle of the frequency list that you want the signal generator to produce. NI-FGEN sets the *nifgen*. *Session.freq\_list\_handle* property to this value. You can create a frequency list using the *nifgen.Session.create\_freq\_list(*) method, which returns a handle that you use to identify the list. **Default Value**: None
- **amplitude** (*float*) Specifies the amplitude of the standard waveform that you want the signal generator to produce. This value is the amplitude at the output terminal. NI-FGEN sets the *nifgen.Session.func\_amplitude* property to this value.

For example, to produce a waveform ranging from -5.00 V to +5.00 V, set the amplitude to 10.00 V.

Units: peak-to-peak voltage

Default Value: None

**Note:** This parameter does not affect signal generator behavior when you set the waveform parameter of the *nifgen.Session. configure\_standard\_waveform()* method to *DC*.

dc\_offset (float) - Specifies the DC offset of the standard waveform that you want the signal generator to produce. The value is the offset from ground to the center of the waveform you specify with the waveform parameter, observed at the output terminal. For example, to configure a waveform with an amplitude of 10.00 V to range from 0.00 V to +10.00 V, set the dcOffset to 5.00 V. NI-FGEN sets the nifgen.Session.func\_dc\_offset property to this value.

Units: volts

Default Value: None

• **start\_phase** (*float*) – Specifies the horizontal offset of the standard waveform you want the signal generator to produce. Specify this property in degrees of one waveform cycle. NI-FGEN sets the *nifgen.Session.func\_start\_phase* 

property to this value. A start phase of 180 degrees means output generation begins halfway through the waveform. A start phase of 360 degrees offsets the output by an entire waveform cycle, which is identical to a start phase of 0 degrees.

Units: degrees of one cycle

Default Value: None degrees

**Note:** This parameter does not affect signal generator behavior when you set the **waveform** parameter to *DC*.

# configure\_standard\_waveform

nifgen.Session.configure\_standard\_waveform (*waveform*, *amplitude*, *frequency*, *dc\_offset=0.0*, *start\_phase=0.0*) Configures the following properties of the signal generator that affect standard waveform generation:

- nifgen.Session.func\_waveform
- nifgen.Session.func\_amplitude
- nifgen.Session.func\_dc\_offset
- nifgen.Session.func\_frequency
- nifgen.Session.func\_start\_phase

**Note:** You must call the nifgen.Session.ConfigureOutputMode() method with the **outputMode** parameter set to *FUNC* before calling this method.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

## Parameters

• waveform (*nifgen.Waveform*) – Specifies the standard waveform that you want the signal generator to produce. NI-FGEN sets the *nifgen.Session.* func\_waveform property to this value.

\*\*Defined Values\*\*

**Default Value:** SINE

SINE	Specifies that the signal generator produces a sinusoid waveform.		
SQUAR	ESpecifies that the signal generator produces a square waveform.		
TRIAN	GSpecifies that the signal generator produces a triangle waveform.		
RAMP_	<i>U</i> <b>S</b> pecifies that the signal generator produces a positive ramp waveform.		
RAMP_	DSpēcifies that the signal generator produces a negative ramp waveform.		
DC	Specifies that the signal generator produces a constant voltage.		
NOISE	SE Specifies that the signal generator produces white noise.		
USER	Specifies that the signal generator produces a user-defined		
	waveform as defined with the nifgen.Session.		
	<pre>define_user_standard_waveform() method.</pre>		

• **amplitude** (*float*) – Specifies the amplitude of the standard waveform that you want the signal generator to produce. This value is the amplitude at the output terminal. NI-FGEN sets the *nifgen.Session.func\_amplitude* property to this value.

For example, to produce a waveform ranging from -5.00 V to +5.00 V, set the amplitude to 10.00 V.

Units: peak-to-peak voltage

Default Value: None

**Note:** This parameter does not affect signal generator behavior when you set the waveform parameter of the *nifgen.Session. configure\_standard\_waveform()* method to *DC*.

## • frequency (float) -

Specifies the frequency of the standard waveform that you want the signal generator to produce. NI-FGEN sets the *nifgen.Session.func\_frequency* property to this value.

Units: hertz

Default Value: None

**Note:** This parameter does not affect signal generator behavior when you set the waveform parameter of the *nifgen.Session. configure\_standard\_waveform()* method to *DC*.

dc\_offset (float) - Specifies the DC offset of the standard waveform that you want the signal generator to produce. The value is the offset from ground to the center of the waveform you specify with the waveform parameter, observed at the output terminal. For example, to configure a waveform with an amplitude of 10.00 V to range from 0.00 V to +10.00 V, set the dcOffset to 5.00 V. NI-FGEN sets the nifgen.Session.func\_dc\_offset property to this value.

Units: volts

Default Value: None

• **start\_phase** (*float*) – Specifies the horizontal offset of the standard waveform that you want the signal generator to produce. Specify this parameter in degrees of one waveform cycle. NI-FGEN sets the *nifgen.Session*. *func\_start\_phase* property to this value. A start phase of 180 degrees means output generation begins halfway through the waveform. A start phase of 360 degrees offsets the output by an entire waveform cycle, which is identical to a start phase of 0 degrees.

Units: degrees of one cycle

Default Value: 0.00

Note: This parameter does not affect signal generator behavior when you set the waveform parameter to DC.

## create\_advanced\_arb\_sequence

nifgen.Session.create\_advanced\_arb\_sequence(waveform\_handles\_array, loop\_counts\_array, sample\_counts\_array=None, marker location array=None)

Creates an arbitrary sequence from an array of waveform handles and an array of corresponding loop counts. This method returns a handle that identifies the sequence. You pass this handle to the *nifgen.Session.configure\_arb\_sequence()* method to specify what arbitrary sequence you want the signal generator to produce.

The nifgen.Session.create\_advanced\_arb\_sequence() method extends on the nifgen.Session.create\_arb\_sequence() method by adding the ability to set the number of samples in each sequence step and to set marker locations.

An arbitrary sequence consists of multiple waveforms. For each waveform, you specify the number of times the signal generator produces the waveform before proceeding to the next waveform. The number of times to repeat a specific waveform is called the loop count.

**Note:** The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you call this method. You must call the nifgen.Session.ConfigureOutputMode() method to set the **outputMode** parameter to *SEQ* before calling this method.

## **Parameters**

- waveform\_handles\_array (list of int) Specifies the array of waveform handles from which you want to create a new arbitrary sequence. The array must have at least as many elements as the value that you specify in sequenceLength. Each waveformHandlesArray element has a corresponding loop-CountsArray element that indicates how many times that waveform is repeated. You obtain waveform handles when you create arbitrary waveforms with the nifgen.Session.allocate\_waveform() method or one of the following niFgen CreateWaveform methods:
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform()
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform()
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform\_from\_file\_i16()
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform\_from\_file\_f64()

- nifgen.Session.CreateWaveformFromFileHWS()

Default Value: None

• **loop\_counts\_array** (*list of int*) – Specifies the array of loop counts you want to use to create a new arbitrary sequence. The array must have at least as many elements as the value that you specify in the **sequenceLength** parameter. Each **loop-CountsArray** element corresponds to a **waveformHandlesArray** element and indicates how many times to repeat that waveform. Each element of the **loopCountsArray** must be less than or equal to the maximum number of loop counts that the signal generator allows. You can obtain the maximum loop count from **maximum-LoopCount** in the *nifgen.Session.query\_arb\_seq\_capabilities(*) method.

Default Value: None

• **sample\_counts\_array** (*list of int*) – Specifies the array of sample counts that you want to use to create a new arbitrary sequence. The array must have at least as many elements as the value you specify in the **sequenceLength** parameter. Each **sampleCountsArray** element corresponds to a **waveformHandlesArray** element and indicates the subset, in samples, of the given waveform to generate. Each element of the **sampleCountsArray** must be larger than the minimum waveform size, a multiple of the waveform quantum and no larger than the number of samples in the corresponding waveform. You can obtain these values by calling the *nifgen.Session.query\_arb\_wfm\_capabilities()* method.

Default Value: None

• marker\_location\_array (*list of int*) – Specifies the array of marker locations to where you want a marker to be generated in the sequence. The array must have at least as many elements as the value you specify in the sequenceLength parameter. Each markerLocationArray element corresponds to a waveformHandlesArray element and indicates where in the waveform a marker is to generate. The marker location must be less than the size of the waveform the marker is in. The markers are coerced to the nearest marker quantum and the coerced values are returned in the coercedMarkersArray parameter.

If you do not want a marker generated for a particular sequence stage, set this parameter to NIFGEN\_VAL\_NO\_MARKER.

Defined Value: NIFGEN\_VAL\_NO\_MARKER

Default Value: None

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

## **Return type**

tuple (coerced\_markers\_array, sequence\_handle)

WHERE

coerced\_markers\_array (list of int):

Returns an array of all given markers that are coerced (rounded) to the nearest marker quantum. Not all devices coerce markers.

Default Value: None

sequence\_handle (int):

Returns the handle that identifies the new arbitrary sequence. You can pass this handle to *nifgen.Session.configure\_arb\_sequence()* to generate the arbitrary sequence.

#### create\_arb\_sequence

## nifgen.Session.create\_arb\_sequence(waveform\_handles\_array,

loop\_counts\_array)

Creates an arbitrary sequence from an array of waveform handles and an array of corresponding loop counts. This method returns a handle that identifies the sequence. You pass this handle to the *nifgen.Session.configure\_arb\_sequence()* method to specify what arbitrary sequence you want the signal generator to produce.

An arbitrary sequence consists of multiple waveforms. For each waveform, you can specify the number of times that the signal generator produces the waveform before proceeding to the next waveform. The number of times to repeat a specific waveform is called the loop count.

**Note:** You must call the nifgen.Session.ConfigureOutputMode() method to set the **outputMode** parameter to *SEQ* before calling this method.

#### **Parameters**

- waveform\_handles\_array (list of int) Specifies the array of waveform handles from which you want to create a new arbitrary sequence. The array must have at least as many elements as the value that you specify in sequenceLength. Each waveformHandlesArray element has a corresponding loop-CountsArray element that indicates how many times that waveform is repeated. You obtain waveform handles when you create arbitrary waveforms with the nifgen.Session.allocate\_waveform() method or one of the following niFgen CreateWaveform methods:
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform()
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform()
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform\_from\_file\_i16()
  - nifgen.Session.create\_waveform\_from\_file\_f64()
  - nifgen.Session.CreateWaveformFromFileHWS()

### Default Value: None

• **loop\_counts\_array** (*list of int*) – Specifies the array of loop counts you want to use to create a new arbitrary sequence. The array must have at least as many elements as the value that you specify in the **sequenceLength** parameter. Each **loop-CountsArray** element corresponds to a **waveformHandlesArray** element and indicates how many times to repeat that waveform. Each element of the **loopCountsArray** must be less than or equal to the maximum number of loop counts that the signal generator allows. You can obtain the maximum loop count from **maximum-LoopCount** in the *nifgen.Session.query\_arb\_seq\_capabilities(*) method.

Default Value: None

Return type int

**Returns** Returns the handle that identifies the new arbitrary sequence. You can pass this handle to *nifgen.Session.configure\_arb\_sequence()* to generate the arbitrary sequence.

## create\_freq\_list

nifgen.Session.create\_freq\_list (waveform, frequency\_array, duration\_array)

Creates a frequency list from an array of frequencies (**frequencyArray**) and an array of durations (**durationArray**). The two arrays should have the same number of elements, and this value must also be the size of the **frequencyListLength**. The method returns a handle that identifies the frequency list (the **frequencyListHandle**). You can pass this handle to *nifgen.Session*. *configure\_freq\_list()* to specify what frequency list you want the signal generator to produce.

A frequency list consists of a list of frequencies and durations. The signal generator generates each frequency for the given amount of time and then proceeds to the next frequency. When the end of the list is reached, the signal generator starts over at the beginning of the list.

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you call this method.

#### **Parameters**

• waveform (*nifgen.Waveform*) – Specifies the standard waveform that you want the signal generator to produce. NI-FGEN sets the *nifgen.Session.* func\_waveform property to this value.

**\*\*Defined Values\*\*** 

**Default Value:** *SINE* 

SINE	Specifies that the signal generator produces a sinusoid waveform.		
SQUAR	ESpecifies that the signal generator produces a square waveform.		
TRIAN	ANGSpecifies that the signal generator produces a triangle waveform.		
RAMP_	USpecifies that the signal generator produces a positive ramp waveform.		
RAMP_	DSpecifies that the signal generator produces a negative ramp waveform.		
DC	Specifies that the signal generator produces a constant voltage.		
NOISE	OISE Specifies that the signal generator produces white noise.		
USER	Specifies that the signal generator produces a user-defined		
	waveform as defined with the nifgen.Session.		
	<pre>define_user_standard_waveform() method.</pre>		

• **frequency\_array** (*list of float*) – Specifies the array of frequencies to form the frequency list. The array must have at least as many elements as the value you specify in **frequencyListLength**. Each **frequencyArray** element has a corresponding **durationArray** element that indicates how long that frequency is repeated.

Units: hertz

Default Value: None

• **duration\_array** (*list of float*) – Specifies the array of durations to form the frequency list. The array must have at least as many elements as the value that

you specify in **frequencyListLength**. Each **durationArray** element has a corresponding **frequencyArray** element and indicates how long in seconds to generate the corresponding frequency.

Units: seconds

Default Value: None

# Return type int

**Returns** Returns the handle that identifies the new frequency list. You can pass this handle to *nifgen.Session.configure\_freq\_list()* to generate the arbitrary sequence.

## create\_waveform\_from\_file\_f64

#### nifgen.Session.create\_waveform\_from\_file\_f64 (file\_name, byte\_order)

This method takes the floating point double (F64) data from the specified file and creates an onboard waveform for use in Arbitrary Waveform or Arbitrary Sequence output mode. The **waveformHan-dle** returned by this method can later be used for setting the active waveform, changing the data in the waveform, building sequences of waveforms, or deleting the waveform when it is no longer needed.

**Note:** The F64 data must be between -1.0 and +1.0 V. Use the *nifgen.Session*. *digital\_gain* property to generate different voltage outputs.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Parameters**

- **file\_name** (*str*) The full path and name of the file where the waveform data resides.
- **byte\_order** (*nifgen.ByteOrder*) Specifies the byte order of the data in the file.

\*\*Defined Values\*\*

**\*\*Default Value**:\*\* LITTLE

	LITTLE Endian Data—The least significant bit is stored at the lowest ad-			
		dress, followed by the other bits, in order of increasing significance.		
ĺ	BIG	<i>G</i> Big Endian Data—The most significant bit is stored at the lowest address,		
	followed by the other bits, in order of decreasing significance.			

**Note:** Data written by most applications in Windows (including LabWindows<sup>TM</sup>/CVI<sup>TM</sup>) is in Little Endian format. Data written to a file from LabVIEW is in Big Endian format by default on all platforms. Big Endian and Little Endian refer to the way data is stored in memory, which can differ on different processors.

# Return type int

**Returns** The handle that identifies the new waveform. This handle is used later when referring to this waveform.

# create\_waveform\_from\_file\_i16

nifgen.Session.create\_waveform\_from\_file\_i16(file\_name, byte\_order)

Takes the binary 16-bit signed integer (I16) data from the specified file and creates an onboard waveform for use in Arbitrary Waveform or Arbitrary Sequence output mode. The **waveformHan-dle** returned by this method can later be used for setting the active waveform, changing the data in the waveform, building sequences of waveforms, or deleting the waveform when it is no longer needed.

**Note:** The I16 data (values between -32768 and +32767) is assumed to represent -1 to +1 V. Use the *nifgen.Session.digital\_gain* property to generate different voltage outputs.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

# Parameters

- **file\_name** (*str*) The full path and name of the file where the waveform data resides.
- **byte\_order** (*nifgen.ByteOrder*) Specifies the byte order of the data in the file.

\*\*Defined Values\*\*

**\*\*Default Value:**\*\* *LITTLE* 

LITTLE Endian Data—The least significant bit is stored at the lowest ad-			
	dress, followed by the other bits, in order of increasing significance.		
BIG	Big Endian Data—The most significant bit is stored at the lowest address,		
	followed by the other bits, in order of decreasing significance.		

**Note:** Data written by most applications in Windows (including LabWindows<sup>TM</sup>/CVI<sup>TM</sup>) is in Little Endian format. Data written to a file from LabVIEW is in Big Endian format by default on all platforms. Big Endian and Little Endian refer to the way data is stored in memory, which can differ on different processors.

## Return type int

**Returns** The handle that identifies the new waveform. This handle is used later when referring to this waveform.

#### create\_waveform\_numpy

nifgen.Session.create\_waveform\_numpy(waveform\_data\_array)

Creates an onboard waveform for use in Arbitrary Waveform output mode or Arbitrary Sequence output mode.

**Note:** You must set *nifgen.Session.output\_mode* to *ARB* or *SEQ* before calling this method.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters waveform\_data\_array** (*iterable of float or int16*) – Array of data for the new arbitrary waveform. This may be an iterable of float or int16, or for best performance a numpy.ndarray of dtype int16 or float64.

## Return type int

**Returns** The handle that identifies the new waveform. This handle is used in other methods when referring to this waveform.

## define\_user\_standard\_waveform

nifgen.Session.define\_user\_standard\_waveform(waveform\_data\_array)
Defines a user waveform for use in either Standard Method or Frequency List output mode.

To select the waveform, set the **waveform** parameter to USER with either the nifgen. Session.configure\_standard\_waveform() or the nifgen.Session. create\_freq\_list() method.

The waveform data must be scaled between -1.0 and 1.0. Use the **amplitude** parameter in the *nifgen.Session.configure\_standard\_waveform()* method to generate different output voltages.

**Note:** You must call the nifgen.Session.ConfigureOutputMode() method to set the **outputMode** parameter to *FUNC* or *FREQ\_LIST* before calling this method.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters waveform\_data\_array** (*list of float*) – Specifies the array of data you want to use for the new arbitrary waveform. The array must have at least as many elements as the value that you specify in **waveformSize**.

You must normalize the data points in the array to be between -1.00 and +1.00.

Default Value: None

## delete\_script

nifgen.Session.delete\_script (script\_name)
Deletes the specified script from onboard memory.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters script\_name** (*str*) – Specifies the name of the script you want to delete. The script name appears in the text of the script following the script keyword.

## delete\_waveform

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you call this method.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

Parameters waveform\_name\_or\_handle (str or int) - The name
(str) or handle (int) of an arbitrary waveform previously allocated with
nifgen.Session.allocate\_named\_waveform(), nifgen.Session.
allocate\_waveform() or nifgen.Session.create\_waveform().

# disable

#### nifgen.Session.disable()

Places the instrument in a quiescent state where it has minimal or no impact on the system to which it is connected. The analog output and all exported signals are disabled.

## export\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer

#### nifgen.Session.export\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer()

Exports the property configuration of the session to a configuration buffer.

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers, channel counts, and onboard memory sizes.

This method verifies that the properties you have configured for the session are valid. If the configuration is invalid, NI-FGEN returns an error.

## Return type bytes

**Returns** Specifies the byte array buffer to be populated with the exported property configuration.

## export\_attribute\_configuration\_file

```
nifgen.Session.export_attribute_configuration_file (file_path) Exports the property configuration of the session to the specified file.
```

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers, channel counts, and onboard memory sizes.

This method verifies that the properties you have configured for the session are valid. If the configuration is invalid, NI-FGEN returns an error.

**Parameters file\_path** (*str*) – Specifies the absolute path to the file to contain the exported property configuration. If you specify an empty or relative path, this method returns an error. **Default file extension:** .nifgenconfig

#### get\_channel\_name

nifgen.Session.get\_channel\_name (index)
Returns the channel string that is in the channel table at an index you specify.

Note: This method is included for compliance with the IviFgen Class Specification.

**Parameters** index (*int*) – A 1-based index into the channel table.

Return type str

**Returns** Returns the channel string that is in the channel table at the index you specify. Do not modify the contents of the channel string.

# get\_ext\_cal\_last\_date\_and\_time

#### nifgen.Session.get\_ext\_cal\_last\_date\_and\_time()

Returns the date and time of the last successful external calibration. The time returned is 24-hour (military) local time; for example, if the device was calibrated at 2:30 PM, this method returns 14 for the **hour** parameter and 30 for the **minute** parameter.

## Return type hightime.datetime

Returns Indicates date and time of the last calibration.

## get\_ext\_cal\_last\_temp

#### nifgen.Session.get\_ext\_cal\_last\_temp()

Returns the temperature at the last successful external calibration. The temperature is returned in degrees Celsius.

Return type float

Returns Specifies the temperature at the last successful calibration in degrees Celsius.

# get\_ext\_cal\_recommended\_interval

#### nifgen.Session.get\_ext\_cal\_recommended\_interval()

Returns the recommended interval between external calibrations in months.

Return type hightime.timedelta

**Returns** Specifies the recommended interval between external calibrations in months.

## get\_hardware\_state

#### nifgen.Session.get\_hardware\_state()

Returns the current hardware state of the device and, if the device is in the hardware error state, the current hardware error.

Note: Hardware states do not necessarily correspond to NI-FGEN states.

## Return type nifgen.HardwareState

## Returns

Returns the hardware state of the signal generator.

## **Defined Values**

IDLE	The device is in the Idle state.
WAITING_FOR_START_TRIGGER	The device is waiting for Start Trigger.
RUNNING	The device is in the Running state.
DONE	The generation has completed success-
	fully.
HARDWARE_ERROR	There is a hardware error.

# get\_self\_cal\_last\_date\_and\_time

nifgen.Session.get\_self\_cal\_last\_date\_and\_time() Returns the date and time of the last successful self-calibration.

Return type hightime.datetime

Returns Returns the date and time the device was last calibrated.

## get\_self\_cal\_last\_temp

```
nifgen.Session.get_self_cal_last_temp()
```

Returns the temperature at the last successful self-calibration. The temperature is returned in degrees Celsius.

Return type float

Returns Specifies the temperature at the last successful calibration in degrees Celsius.

## get\_self\_cal\_supported

nifgen.Session.get\_self\_cal\_supported() Returns whether the device supports self-calibration.

#### Return type bool

Returns

Returns whether the device supports self-calibration.

\*\*Defined Values\*\*

TrueSelf-calibration is supported.FalseSelf-calibration is not supported.

# import\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer

nifgen.Session.import\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer(configuration) Imports a property configuration to the session from the specified configuration buffer.

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers, channel counts, and onboard memory sizes.

**Note:** You cannot call this method while the session is in a running state, such as while generating a signal.

**Parameters configuration** (*bytes*) – Specifies the byte array buffer that contains the property configuration to import.

# import\_attribute\_configuration\_file

```
nifgen.Session.import_attribute_configuration_file (file_path)
Imports a property configuration to the session from the specified file.
```

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers, channel counts, and onboard memory sizes.

**Note:** You cannot call this method while the session is in a running state, such as while generating a signal.

**Parameters file\_path** (*str*) – Specifies the absolute path to the file containing the property configuration to import. If you specify an empty or relative path, this method returns an error. **Default File Extension:** .nifgenconfig

## initiate

```
nifgen.Session.initiate()
```

Initiates signal generation. If you want to abort signal generation, call the *nifgen.Session. abort ()* method. After the signal generation is aborted, you can call the *nifgen.Session. initiate()* method to cause the signal generator to produce a signal again.

**Note:** This method will return a Python context manager that will initiate on entering and abort on exit.

## is\_done

nifgen.Session.is\_done()

Determines whether the current generation is complete. This method sets the **done** parameter to True if the session is in the Idle or Committed states.

**Note:** NI-FGEN only reports the **done** parameter as True after the current generation is complete in Single trigger mode.

#### Return type bool

Returns

Returns information about the completion of waveform generation.

## **Defined Values**

True	Generation is complete.
False	Generation is not complete.

## lock

nifgen.Session.lock()

Obtains a multithread lock on the device session. Before doing so, the software waits until all other execution threads release their locks on the device session.

Other threads may have obtained a lock on this session for the following reasons:

- The application called the *nifgen.Session.lock()* method.
- A call to NI-FGEN locked the session.
- After a call to the *nifgen.Session.lock()* method returns successfully, no other threads can access the device session until you call the *nifgen.Session.unlock()* method or exit out of the with block when using lock context manager.
- Use the *nifgen.Session.lock()* method and the *nifgen.Session.unlock()* method around a sequence of calls to instrument driver methods if you require that the device retain its settings through the end of the sequence.

You can safely make nested calls to the *nifgen.Session.lock()* method within the same thread. To completely unlock the session, you must balance each call to the *nifgen.Session.lock()* method with a call to the *nifgen.Session.unlock()* method.

One method for ensuring there are the same number of unlock method calls as there is lock calls is to use lock as a context manager

```
with nifgen.Session('dev1') as session:
    with session.lock():
        # Calls to session within a single lock context
```

The first with block ensures the session is closed regardless of any exceptions raised

The second with block ensures that unlock is called regardless of any exceptions raised

#### Return type context manager

**Returns** When used in a *with* statement, *nifgen.Session.lock()* acts as a context manager and unlock will be called when the *with* block is exited

## query\_arb\_seq\_capabilities

#### nifgen.Session.query\_arb\_seq\_capabilities()

Returns the properties of the signal generator that are related to creating arbitrary sequences (the nifgen.Session.max\_num\_sequences, nifgen.Session.min\_sequence\_length, nifgen.Session.max\_sequence\_length, and nifgen.Session.max\_loop\_count properties).

## **Return type**

tuple (maximum\_number\_of\_sequences, minimum\_sequence\_length, maximum\_sequence\_length, maximum\_loop\_count)

#### WHERE

maximum\_number\_of\_sequences (int):

Returns the maximum number of arbitrary waveform sequences that the signal generator allows. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session.* max\_num\_sequences property.

minimum\_sequence\_length (int):

Returns the minimum number of arbitrary waveforms the signal generator allows in a sequence. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session. min\_sequence\_length* property.

maximum\_sequence\_length (int):

Returns the maximum number of arbitrary waveforms the signal generator allows in a sequence. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session.* max\_sequence\_length property.

maximum\_loop\_count (int):

Returns the maximum number of times the signal generator can repeat an arbitrary waveform in a sequence. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen*. Session.max\_loop\_count property.

## query\_arb\_wfm\_capabilities

#### nifgen.Session.query\_arb\_wfm\_capabilities()

Returns the properties of the signal generator that are related to creating arbitrary waveforms. These properties are the maximum number of waveforms, waveform quantum, minimum waveform size, and maximum waveform size.

**Note:** If you do not want to obtain the waveform quantum, pass a value of VI\_NULL for this parameter.

#### **Return type**

tuple (maximum\_number\_of\_waveforms, waveform\_quantum, minimum\_waveform\_size, maximum\_waveform\_size)

WHERE

maximum\_number\_of\_waveforms (int):

Returns the maximum number of arbitrary waveforms that the signal generator allows. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session*. *max\_num\_waveforms* property.

waveform\_quantum (int):

The size (number of points) of each waveform must be a multiple of a constant quantum value. This parameter obtains the quantum value that the signal generator uses. NI-FGEN returns this value from the *nifgen.Session*. *waveform\_quantum* property.

For example, when this property returns a value of 8, all waveform sizes must be a multiple of 8.

minimum\_waveform\_size (int):

Returns the minimum number of points that the signal generator allows in a waveform. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session.min\_waveform\_size* property.

```
maximum_waveform_size (int):
```

Returns the maximum number of points that the signal generator allows in a waveform. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session.* max\_waveform\_size property.

## query\_freq\_list\_capabilities

#### nifgen.Session.query\_freq\_list\_capabilities()

Returns the properties of the signal generator that are related to creating frequency lists. These properties are nifgen.Session.max\_num\_freq\_lists, nifgen.Session.min\_freq\_list\_length, nifgen.Session.min\_freq\_list\_duration, nifgen.Session.max\_freq\_list\_duration, and nifgen.Session. freq\_list\_duration\_quantum.

#### **Return type**

tuple (maximum\_number\_of\_freq\_lists, minimum\_frequency\_list\_length, maximum\_frequency\_list\_length, minimum\_frequency\_list\_duration, maximum\_frequency\_list\_duration, frequency\_list\_duration\_quantum)

#### WHERE

maximum\_number\_of\_freq\_lists (int):

Returns the maximum number of frequency lists that the signal generator allows. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session*. *max\_num\_freq\_lists* property.

minimum\_frequency\_list\_length (int):

Returns the minimum number of steps that the signal generator allows in a frequency list. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session.min\_freq\_list\_length* property.

maximum\_frequency\_list\_length (int):

Returns the maximum number of steps that the signal generator allows in a frequency list. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session.* max\_freq\_list\_length property.

minimum\_frequency\_list\_duration (float):

Returns the minimum duration that the signal generator allows in a step of a frequency list. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session.min\_freq\_list\_duration* property.

maximum\_frequency\_list\_duration (float):

Returns the maximum duration that the signal generator allows in a step of a frequency list. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session.* max\_freq\_list\_duration property.

frequency\_list\_duration\_quantum (float):

Returns the quantum of which all durations must be a multiple in a frequency list. NI-FGEN obtains this value from the *nifgen.Session*. *freq\_list\_duration\_quantum* property.

#### read\_current\_temperature

```
nifgen.Session.read_current_temperature()
```

Reads the current onboard temperature of the device. The temperature is returned in degrees Celsius.

#### Return type float

**Returns** Returns the current temperature read from onboard temperature sensors, in degrees Celsius.

## reset

nifgen.Session.reset()

Resets the instrument to a known state. This method aborts the generation, clears all routes, and resets session properties to the default values. This method does not, however, commit the session properties or configure the device hardware to its default state.

**Note:** For the NI 5401/5404/5411/5431, this method exhibits the same behavior as the *nifgen*. *Session.reset\_device()* method.

## reset\_device

```
nifgen.Session.reset_device()
```

Performs a hard reset on the device. Generation is stopped, all routes are released, external bidirectional terminals are tristated, FPGAs are reset, hardware is configured to its default state, and all session properties are reset to their default states.

#### reset\_with\_defaults

```
nifgen.Session.reset_with_defaults()
```

Resets the instrument and reapplies initial user-specified settings from the logical name that was used to initialize the session. If the session was created without a logical name, this method is equivalent to the *nifgen.Session.reset()* method.

## self\_cal

```
nifgen.Session.self_cal()
```

Performs a full internal self-calibration on the device. If the calibration is successful, new calibration data and constants are stored in the onboard EEPROM.

# self\_test

```
nifgen.Session.self_test()
```

Runs the instrument self-test routine and returns the test result(s).

Raises SelfTestError on self test failure. Properties on exception object:

- code failure code from driver
- · message status message from driver

Self-Test Code	Description	
0	Passed self-test	
1	Self-test failed	

**Note:** When used on some signal generators, the device is reset after the *nifgen.Session*. *self\_test()* method runs. If you use the *nifgen.Session.self\_test()* method, your device may not be in its previously configured state after the method runs.

## send\_software\_edge\_trigger

nifgen.Session.send\_software\_edge\_trigger(trigger, trigger\_id)

Sends a command to trigger the signal generator. This VI can act as an override for an external edge trigger.

Note: This VI does not override external digital edge triggers of the NI 5401/5411/5431.

#### **Parameters**

• **trigger** (*nifgen*. *Trigger*) – Trigger specifies the type of software trigger to send

Defined Values	
START	
SCRIPT	

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

• trigger\_id (str) - Trigger ID specifies the Script Trigger to use for triggering.

## set\_next\_write\_position

# nifgen.Session.set\_next\_write\_position(waveform\_name\_or\_handle, relative\_to,

offset)

Sets the position in the waveform at which the next waveform data is written. This method allows you to write to arbitrary locations within the waveform. These settings apply only to the next write to the waveform specified by the waveformHandle parameter. Subsequent writes to that waveform begin where the last write left off, unless this method is called again. The waveformHandle passed in must have been created by a call to the *nifgen.Session.allocate\_waveform()* method or one of the following nifgen.Session.create\_waveform() method.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Parameters**

- waveform\_name\_or\_handle (str or int) The name (str) or handle (int) of an arbitrary waveform previously allocated with nifgen. Session.allocate\_named\_waveform(), nifgen.Session. allocate\_waveform() or nifgen.Session.create\_waveform().
- **relative\_to** (*nifgen.RelativeTo*) Specifies the reference position in the waveform. This position and **offset** together determine where to start loading data into the waveform.

## \*\*Defined Values\*\*

START (0)	Use the start of the waveform as the reference position.	
CURRENT	Use the current position within the waveform as the reference	
(1)	position.	

• **offset** (*int*) – Specifies the offset from **relativeTo** at which to start loading the data into the waveform.

## unlock

nifgen.Session.unlock()

Releases a lock that you acquired on an device session using *nifgen.Session.lock()*. Refer to *nifgen.Session.unlock()* for additional information on session locks.

#### wait\_until\_done

```
nifgen.Session.wait_until_done (max_time=hightime.timedelta(seconds=10.0))
Waits until the device is done generating or until the maximum time has expired.
```

**Parameters max\_time** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or int in milliseconds) - Specifies the timeout value in milliseconds.

# write\_script

```
nifgen.Session.write_script(script)
```

Writes a string containing one or more scripts that govern the generation of waveforms.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters script** (*str*) – Contains the text of the script you want to use for your generation operation. Refer to scripting Instructions for more information about writing scripts.

## write\_waveform

nifgen.Session.write\_waveform (*waveform\_name\_or\_handle*, *data*) Writes data to the waveform in onboard memory.

By default, subsequent calls to this method continue writing data from the position of the last sample written. You can set the write position and offset by calling the *nifgen.Session.set\_next\_write\_position() nifgen.Session.set\_next\_write\_position()* method.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Parameters**

- waveform\_name\_or\_handle (str or int) The name (str) or handle (int) of an arbitrary waveform previously allocated with nifgen. Session.allocate\_named\_waveform(), nifgen.Session. allocate\_waveform() or nifgen.Session.create\_waveform().
- **data** (*list of float*) Array of data to load into the waveform. This may be an iterable of float, or for best performance a numpy.ndarray of dtype int16 or float64.

## **Properties**

#### absolute\_delay

nifgen.Session.absolute\_delay

Specifies the sub-Sample Clock delay, in seconds, to apply to the waveform. Use this property to reduce the trigger jitter when synchronizing multiple devices with NI-TClk. This property can also help maintain synchronization repeatability by writing the absolute delay value of a previous measurement to the current session. To set this property, the waveform generator must be in the Idle (Configuration) state. **Units**: seconds (s) **Valid Values**: Plus or minus half of one Sample Clock period **Default Value**: 0.0 **Supported Waveform Generators**: PXIe-5413/5423/5433

Note: If this property is set, NI-TClk cannot perform any sub-Sample Clock adjustment.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output: Absolute Delay
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ABSOLUTE\_DELAY

## all\_marker\_events\_latched\_status

#### nifgen.Session.all\_marker\_events\_latched\_status

Returns a bit field of the latched status of all Marker Events. Write 0 to this property to clear the latched status of all Marker Events.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Marker:Advanced:All Marker Events Latched Status
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ALL\_MARKER\_EVENTS\_LATCHED\_STATUS

#### all\_marker\_events\_live\_status

nifgen.Session.all\_marker\_events\_live\_status Returns a bit field of the live status of all Marker Events.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Marker:Advanced:All Marker Events Live Status
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ALL\_MARKER\_EVENTS\_LIVE\_STATUS

## analog\_data\_mask

## nifgen.Session.analog\_data\_mask

Specifies the mask to apply to the analog output. The masked data is replaced with the data in *nifgen.Session.analog\_static\_value*.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: **Output:Data Mask:Analog Data Mask**
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ANALOG\_DATA\_MASK

# analog\_filter\_enabled

## nifgen.Session.analog\_filter\_enabled

Controls whether the signal generator applies to an analog filter to the output signal. This property is valid in arbitrary waveform, arbitrary sequence, and script modes. This property can also be used in standard method and frequency list modes for user-defined waveforms.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Filters:Analog Filter Enabled
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ANALOG\_FILTER\_ENABLED

# analog\_path

nifgen.Session.analog\_path

Specifies the analog signal path that should be used. The main path allows you to configure gain, offset, analog filter status, output impedance, and output enable. The main path has two amplifier options, high- and low-gain. The direct path presents a much smaller gain range, and you cannot adjust offset or the filter status. The direct path also provides a smaller output range but also lower distortion. NI-FGEN normally chooses the amplifier based on the user-specified gain.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.AnalogPath
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Output: Analog Path
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ANALOG\_PATH

## analog\_static\_value

#### nifgen.Session.analog\_static\_value

Specifies the static value that replaces data masked by *nifgen.Session. analog\_data\_mask.* 

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Data Mask:Analog Static Value
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ANALOG\_STATIC\_VALUE

## arb\_gain

nifgen.Session.arb\_gain

Specifies the factor by which the signal generator scales the arbitrary waveform data. When you create arbitrary waveforms, you must first normalize the data points to the range -1.0 to +1.0. Use this property to scale the arbitrary waveform to other ranges. For example, when you set this property to 2.0, the output signal ranges from -2.0 V to +2.0 V. Use this property when *nifgen.Session*. *output\_mode* is set to *ARB* or *SEQ*.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Gain
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ARB\_GAIN

### arb\_marker\_position

nifgen.Session.arb\_marker\_position

Specifies the position for a marker to be asserted in the arbitrary waveform. This property defaults to -1 when no marker position is specified. Use this property when *nifgen.Session. output\_mode* is set to *ARB*. Use nifgen.Session.ExportSignal() to export the marker signal.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform: Arbitrary Waveform Mode: Marker Position
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ARB\_MARKER\_POSITION

#### arb\_offset

nifgen.Session.arb\_offset

Specifies the value that the signal generator adds to the arbitrary waveform data. When you create arbitrary waveforms, you must first normalize the data points to the range -1.0 to +1.0. Use this property to shift the arbitrary waveform range. For example, when you set this property to 1.0, the output signal ranges from 2.0 V to 0.0 V. Use this property when *nifgen.Session.output\_mode* is set to *ARB* or *SEQ*. Units: Volts

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Offset
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ARB\_OFFSET

## arb\_repeat\_count

## nifgen.Session.arb\_repeat\_count

Specifies number of times to repeat the arbitrary waveform when the triggerMode parameter of nifgen.Session.ConfigureTriggerMode() is set to *SINGLE* or *STEPPED*. This property is ignored if the triggerMode parameter is set to *CONTINUOUS* or *BURST*. Use this property when *nifgen.Session.output\_mode* is set to *ARB*. When used during streaming, this property specifies the number of times to repeat the streaming waveform (the onboard memory allocated for streaming). For more information about streaming, refer to the Streaming topic.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform: Arbitrary Waveform Mode: Repeat Count
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ARB\_REPEAT\_COUNT

## arb\_sample\_rate

nifgen.Session.arb\_sample\_rate

Specifies the rate at which the signal generator outputs the points in arbitrary waveforms. Use this property when *nifgen.Session.output\_mode* is set to *ARB* or *SEQ*. Units: Samples/s

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Sample Clock:Rate
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ARB\_SAMPLE\_RATE

## arb\_sequence\_handle

nifgen.Session.arb\_sequence\_handle

This channel-based property identifies which sequence the signal generator produces. You can create multiple sequences using *nifgen.Session.create\_arb\_sequence()*. *nifgen.* Session.create\_arb\_sequence() returns a handle that you can use to identify the particular sequence. To configure the signal generator to produce a particular sequence, set this property to the sequence handle. Use this property only when *nifgen.Session.output\_mode* is set to SEQ.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform: Arbitrary Sequence Mode: Arbitrary Sequence Handle
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ARB\_SEQUENCE\_HANDLE

## arb\_waveform\_handle

## nifgen.Session.arb\_waveform\_handle

Selects which arbitrary waveform the signal generator produces. You can create multiple arbitrary waveforms using one of the following niFgen Create Waveform methods: nifgen.Session.create\_waveform() nifgen.Session. create\_waveform() nifgen.Session.create\_waveform\_from\_file\_i16() nifgen.Session.create\_waveform\_from\_file\_f64() nifgen.Session. CreateWaveformFromFileHWS() These methods return a handle that you can use to identify the particular waveform. To configure the signal generator to produce a particular waveform, set this property to the waveform handle. Use this property only when nifgen.Session. output\_mode is set to ARB.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform: Arbitrary Waveform Mode: Arbitrary Waveform Handle
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ARB\_WAVEFORM\_HANDLE

# aux\_power\_enabled

## nifgen.Session.aux\_power\_enabled

Controls the specified auxiliary power pin. Setting this property to TRUE energizes the auxiliary power when the session is committed. When this property is FALSE, the power pin of the connector outputs no power.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: **Output:Advanced:AUX Power Enabled**
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_AUX\_POWER\_ENABLED

# bus\_type

nifgen.Session.bus\_type

The bus type of the signal generator.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.BusType
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Bus Type
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_BUS\_TYPE

# channel\_delay

nifgen.Session.channel\_delay

Specifies, in seconds, the delay to apply to the analog output of the channel specified by the channel string. You can use the channel delay to configure the timing relationship between channels on a multichannel device. Values for this property can be zero or positive. A value of zero indicates that the channels are aligned. A positive value delays the analog output by the specified number of seconds.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output: Channel Delay
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_CHANNEL\_DELAY

# clock\_mode

nifgen.Session.clock\_mode

Controls which clock mode is used for the signal generator. For signal generators that support it, this property allows switching the sample clock to High-Resolution mode. When in Divide-Down mode, the sample rate can only be set to certain frequences, based on dividing down the update clock. However, in High-Resolution mode, the sample rate may be set to any value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ClockMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Sample Clock:Mode
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_CLOCK\_MODE

## common\_mode\_offset

nifgen.Session.common\_mode\_offset

Specifies, in volts, the value the signal generator adds to or subtracts from the arbitrary waveform data. This property applies only when you set the *nifgen.Session*. *terminal\_configuration* property to *DIFFERENTIAL*. Common mode offset is applied to the signals generated at each differential output terminal.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Common Mode Offset
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_COMMON\_MODE\_OFFSET

## data\_marker\_events\_count

#### nifgen.Session.data\_marker\_events\_count

Returns the number of Data Marker Events supported by the device.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Data Marker Events Count
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DATA\_MARKER\_EVENTS\_COUNT

## data\_marker\_event\_data\_bit\_number

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nifgen.Session.data_marker_event_data_bit_number
Specifies the bit number to assign to the Data Marker Event.
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**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nifgen. Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated

capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Data Marker:Data Bit Number
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DATA\_MARKER\_EVENT\_DATA\_BIT\_NUMBER

## data\_marker\_event\_level\_polarity

# nifgen.Session.data\_marker\_event\_level\_polarity Specifies the output polarity of the Data marker event.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.DataMarkerEventLevelPolarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Data Marker:Level:Active Level
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DATA\_MARKER\_EVENT\_LEVEL\_POLARITY

## data\_marker\_event\_output\_terminal

nifgen.Session.data\_marker\_event\_output\_terminal Specifies the destination terminal for the Data Marker Event. **Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Data Marker:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DATA\_MARKER\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

# data\_transfer\_block\_size

nifgen.Session.data\_transfer\_block\_size

The number of samples at a time to download to onboard memory. Useful when the total data to be transferred to onboard memory is large.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Data Transfer:Data Transfer Block Size
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DATA\_TRANSFER\_BLOCK\_SIZE

# data\_transfer\_maximum\_bandwidth

Specifies the maximum amount of bus bandwidth (in bytes per second) to use for data transfers. The signal generator limits data transfer speeds on the PCIe bus to the value you specify for this property. Set this property to optimize bus bandwidth usage for multi-device streaming applications by preventing the signal generator from consuming all of the available bandwidth on a PCI express link when waveforms are being written to the onboard memory of the device.

nifgen.Session.data\_transfer\_maximum\_bandwidth

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Data Transfer:Maximum Bandwidth
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DATA\_TRANSFER\_MAXIMUM\_BANDWIDTH

# data\_transfer\_maximum\_in\_flight\_reads

## nifgen.Session.data\_transfer\_maximum\_in\_flight\_reads

Specifies the maximum number of concurrent PCI Express read requests the signal generator can issue. When transferring data from computer memory to device onboard memory across the PCI Express bus, the signal generator can issue multiple memory reads at the same time. In general, the larger the number of read requests, the more efficiently the device uses the bus because the multiple read requests keep the data flowing, even in a PCI Express topology that has high latency due to PCI Express switches in the data path. Most NI devices can issue a large number of read requests (typically 8 or 16). By default, this property is set to the highest value the signal generator supports. If other devices in your system cannot tolerate long data latencies, it may be helpful to decrease the number of in-flight read requests the NI signal generator issues. This helps to reduce the amount of data the signal generator reads at one time.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Data Transfer:Advanced:Maximum In-Flight Read Requests
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DATA\_TRANSFER\_MAXIMUM\_IN\_FLIGHT\_READS

# data\_transfer\_preferred\_packet\_size

## nifgen.Session.data\_transfer\_preferred\_packet\_size

Specifies the preferred size of the data field in a PCI Express read request packet. In general, the larger the packet size, the more efficiently the device uses the bus. By default, NI signal generators use the largest packet size allowed by the system. However, due to different system implementations,

some systems may perform better with smaller packet sizes. Recommended values for this property are powers of two between 64 and 512. In some cases, the signal generator generates packets smaller than the preferred size you set with this property. You cannot change this property while the device is generating a waveform. If you want to change the device configuration, call the *nifgen*. *Session.abort()* method or wait for the generation to complete.

Note: :

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Data Transfer:Advanced:Preferred Packet Size
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DATA\_TRANSFER\_PREFERRED\_PACKET\_SIZE

## digital\_data\_mask

## nifgen.Session.digital\_data\_mask

Specifies the mask to apply to the output on the digital connector. The masked data is replaced with the data in *nifgen.Session.digital\_static\_value*.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Data Mask:Digital Data Mask
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_DATA\_MASK

# digital\_edge\_script\_trigger\_edge

nifgen.Session.digital\_edge\_script\_trigger\_edge

Specifies the active edge for the Script trigger. This property is used when *nifgen.Session*. *script\_trigger\_type* is set to Digital Edge.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ScriptTriggerDigitalEdgeEdge
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Script:Digital Edge:Edge
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_SCRIPT\_TRIGGER\_EDGE

# digital\_edge\_script\_trigger\_source

nifgen.Session.digital\_edge\_script\_trigger\_source

Specifies the source terminal for the Script trigger. This property is used when *nifgen*. Session.script\_trigger\_type is set to Digital Edge.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Script:Digital Edge:Source
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_SCRIPT\_TRIGGER\_SOURCE

# digital\_edge\_start\_trigger\_edge

## nifgen.Session.digital\_edge\_start\_trigger\_edge

Specifies the active edge for the Start trigger. This property is used only when *nifgen.Session.* start\_trigger\_type is set to Digital Edge.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.StartTriggerDigitalEdgeEdge
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Start:Digital Edge:Edge
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_START\_TRIGGER\_EDGE

## digital\_edge\_start\_trigger\_source

#### nifgen.Session.digital\_edge\_start\_trigger\_source

Specifies the source terminal for the Start trigger. This property is used only when *nifgen*. Session.start\_trigger\_type is set to Digital Edge.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Start:Digital Edge:Source
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_EDGE\_START\_TRIGGER\_SOURCE

# digital\_filter\_enabled

nifgen.Session.digital\_filter\_enabled

Controls whether the signal generator applies a digital filter to the output signal. This property is valid in arbitrary waveform, arbitrary sequence, and script modes. This property can also be used in standard method and frequency list modes for user-defined waveforms.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Filters:Digital Filter Enabled
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_FILTER\_ENABLED

# digital\_filter\_interpolation\_factor

## nifgen.Session.digital\_filter\_interpolation\_factor

This property only affects the device when *nifgen.Session.digital\_filter\_enabled* is set to True. If you do not set this property directly, NI-FGEN automatically selects the maximum interpolation factor allowed for the current sample rate. Valid values are 2, 4, and 8.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • LabVIEW Property: Output:Filters:Digital Filter Interpolation Factor

• C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_FILTER\_INTERPOLATION\_FACTOR

# digital\_gain

nifgen.Session.digital\_gain

Specifies a factor by which the signal generator digitally multiplies generated data before converting it to an analog signal in the DAC. For a digital gain greater than 1.0, the product of digital gain times the generated data must be inside the range plus or minus 1.0 (assuming floating point data). If the product exceeds these limits, the signal generator clips the output signal, and an error results. Some signal generators support both digital gain and an analog gain (analog gain is specified with the *nifgen.Session.func\_amplitude* property or the *nifgen.Session.arb\_gain* property). Digital gain can be changed during generation without the glitches that may occur when changing analog gains, due to relay switching. However, the DAC output resolution is a method of analog gain, so only analog gain makes full use of the resolution of the DAC.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Digital Gain
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_GAIN

## digital\_pattern\_enabled

### nifgen.Session.digital\_pattern\_enabled

Controls whether the signal generator generates a digital pattern of the output signal.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Advanced:Digital Pattern Enabled
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_PATTERN\_ENABLED

## digital\_static\_value

#### nifgen.Session.digital\_static\_value

Specifies the static value that replaces data masked by *nifgen.Session. digital\_data\_mask.* 

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Output:Data Mask:Digital Static Value

## • C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_STATIC\_VALUE

### done\_event\_output\_terminal

nifgen.Session.done\_event\_output\_terminal Specifies the destination terminal for the Done Event.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Done:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DONE\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

### driver\_setup

#### nifgen.Session.driver\_setup

Specifies the driver setup portion of the option string that was passed into the nifgen.Session. InitWithOptions() method.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

### • C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_DRIVER\_SETUP

### exported\_onboard\_reference\_clock\_output\_terminal

nifgen.Session.exported\_onboard\_reference\_clock\_output\_terminal
 Specifies the terminal to which to export the Onboard Reference Clock.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Reference Clock:Onboard Reference Clock:Export Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_ONBOARD\_REFERENCE\_CLOCK\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## exported\_reference\_clock\_output\_terminal

nifgen.Session.**exported\_reference\_clock\_output\_terminal** Specifies the terminal to which to export the Reference Clock.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Reference Clock:Export Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_REFERENCE\_CLOCK\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## exported\_sample\_clock\_divisor

nifgen.Session.exported\_sample\_clock\_divisor

Specifies the factor by which to divide the Sample clock, also known as the Update clock, before it is exported. To export the Sample clock, use the nifgen.Session.ExportSignal() method or the nifgen.Session.exported\_sample\_clock\_output\_terminal property.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Sample Clock:Exported Sample Clock Divisor
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_SAMPLE\_CLOCK\_DIVISOR

## exported\_sample\_clock\_output\_terminal

nifgen.Session.exported\_sample\_clock\_output\_terminal
 Specifies the terminal to which to export the Sample Clock.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Sample Clock:Export Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_SAMPLE\_CLOCK\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## exported\_sample\_clock\_timebase\_divisor

### nifgen.Session.exported\_sample\_clock\_timebase\_divisor

Specifies the factor by which to divide the sample clock timebase (board clock) before it is exported. To export the Sample clock timebase, use the nifgen.Session.ExportSignal() method or the nifgen.Session.exported\_sample\_clock\_timebase\_output\_terminal property.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Sample Clock Timebase:Exported Sample Clock Timebase Divisor
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_SAMPLE\_CLOCK\_TIMEBASE\_DIVISOR

## exported\_sample\_clock\_timebase\_output\_terminal

nifgen.Session.exported\_sample\_clock\_timebase\_output\_terminal

Specifies the terminal to which to export the Sample clock timebase. If you specify a divisor with the *nifgen.Session.exported\_sample\_clock\_timebase\_divisor* property, the Sample clock exported with the *nifgen.Session.exported\_sample\_clock\_timebase\_output\_terminal* property is the value of the Sample clock timebase after it is divided-down. For a list of the terminals available on your device, refer to the Device Routes tab in MAX. To change the device configuration, call *nifgen.Session.abort()* or wait for the generation to complete.

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you change this property.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Sample Clock Timebase:Export Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_SAMPLE\_CLOCK\_TIMEBASE\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## exported\_script\_trigger\_output\_terminal

nifgen.Session.exported\_script\_trigger\_output\_terminal

Specifies the output terminal for the exported Script trigger. Setting this property to an empty string means that when you commit the session, the signal is removed from that terminal and, if possible, the terminal is tristated.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Script:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_SCRIPT\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

# exported\_start\_trigger\_output\_terminal

nifgen.Session.exported\_start\_trigger\_output\_terminal
 Specifies the destination terminal for exporting the Start trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Start:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_START\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## external\_clock\_delay\_binary\_value

nifgen.Session.external\_clock\_delay\_binary\_value Binary value of the external clock delay.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Advanced:External Clock Delay Binary Value
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_EXTERNAL\_CLOCK\_DELAY\_BINARY\_VALUE

## external\_sample\_clock\_multiplier

#### nifgen.Session.external\_sample\_clock\_multiplier

Specifies a multiplication factor to use to obtain a desired sample rate from an external Sample clock. The resulting sample rate is equal to this factor multiplied by the external Sample clock rate. You can use this property to generate samples at a rate higher than your external clock rate. When using this property, you do not need to explicitly set the external clock rate.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Advanced:External Sample Clock Multiplier
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_EXTERNAL\_SAMPLE\_CLOCK\_MULTIPLIER

### file\_transfer\_block\_size

### nifgen.Session.file\_transfer\_block\_size

The number of samples at a time to read from the file and download to onboard memory. Used in conjunction with the Create From File and Write From File methods.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Data Transfer:File Transfer Block Size
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FILE\_TRANSFER\_BLOCK\_SIZE

## filter\_correction\_frequency

# nifgen.Session.filter\_correction\_frequency

Controls the filter correction frequency of the analog filter. This property corrects for the ripples in the analog filter frequency response at the frequency specified. For standard waveform output, the

filter correction frequency should be set to be the same as the frequency of the standard waveform. To have no filter correction, set this property to 0 Hz.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:5401/5411/5431:Filter Correction Frequency
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FILTER\_CORRECTION\_FREQUENCY

## flatness\_correction\_enabled

#### nifgen.Session.flatness\_correction\_enabled

When True, the signal generator applies a flatness correction factor to the generated sine wave in order to ensure the same output power level at all frequencies. This property should be set to False when performing Flatness Calibration.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Filters:Flatness Correction Enabled
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FLATNESS\_CORRECTION\_ENABLED

## fpga\_bitfile\_path

nifgen.Session.fpga\_bitfile\_path

Gets the absolute file path to the bitfile loaded on the FPGA.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:FPGA Bitfile Path
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FPGA\_BITFILE\_PATH

# freq\_list\_duration\_quantum

nifgen.Session.freq\_list\_duration\_quantum

Returns the quantum of which all durations must be a multiple in a frequency list.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Frequency List Mode:Frequency List Duration Quantum
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FREQ\_LIST\_DURATION\_QUANTUM

## freq\_list\_handle

nifgen.Session.freq\_list\_handle

Sets which frequency list the signal generator produces. Create a frequency list using *nifgen*. Session.create\_freq\_list().nifgen.Session.create\_freq\_list() returns a handle that you can use to identify the list.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Frequency List Mode:Frequency List Handle
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FREQ\_LIST\_HANDLE

## func\_amplitude

### nifgen.Session.func\_amplitude

Controls the amplitude of the standard waveform that the signal generator produces. This value is the amplitude at the output terminal. For example, to produce a waveform ranging from -5.00 V to +5.00 V, set the amplitude to 10.00 V. set the Waveform parameter to *DC*. Units: Vpk-pk

Note: This parameter does not affect signal generator behavior when you

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function: Amplitude
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FUNC\_AMPLITUDE

### func\_buffer\_size

#### nifgen.Session.func\_buffer\_size

This property contains the number of samples used in the standard method waveform buffer. This property is only valid on devices that implement standard method mode in software, and is read-only for all other devices. implementation of Standard Method Mode on your device.

Note: Refer to the Standard Method Mode topic for more information on the

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Standard Function Mode:Buffer Size
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FUNC\_BUFFER\_SIZE

# func\_dc\_offset

### nifgen.Session.func\_dc\_offset

Controls the DC offset of the standard waveform that the signal generator produces. This value is the offset at the output terminal. The value is the offset from ground to the center of the waveform that you specify with the Waveform parameter. For example, to configure a waveform with an amplitude of 10.00 V to range from 0.00 V to +10.00 V, set DC Offset to 5.00 V. Units: volts

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:DC Offset
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FUNC\_DC\_OFFSET

# func\_duty\_cycle\_high

## nifgen.Session.func\_duty\_cycle\_high

Controls the duty cycle of the square wave the signal generator produces. Specify this property as a percentage of the time the square wave is high in a cycle. set the Waveform parameter to *SQUARE*. Units: Percentage of time the waveform is high

Note: This parameter only affects signal generator behavior when you

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Duty Cycle High
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FUNC\_DUTY\_CYCLE\_HIGH

## func\_frequency

#### nifgen.Session.func\_frequency

Controls the frequency of the standard waveform that the signal generator produces. Units: hertz (1) This parameter does not affect signal generator behavior when you set the Waveform parameter of the *nifgen.Session.configure\_standard\_waveform()* method to *DC*. (2) For *SINE*, the range is between 0 MHz and 16 MHz, but the range is between 0 MHz and 1 MHz for all other waveforms.

Note: :

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Standard Function Mode:Frequency
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FUNC\_FREQUENCY

### func\_max\_buffer\_size

nifgen.Session.func\_max\_buffer\_size

This property sets the maximum number of samples that can be used in the standard method waveform buffer. Increasing this value may increase the quality of the waveform. This property is only valid on devices that implement standard method mode in software, and is read-only for all other devices. implementation of Standard Method Mode on your device.

**Note:** Refer to the Standard Method Mode topic for more information on the

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Standard Function Mode:Maximum Buffer Size

• C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FUNC\_MAX\_BUFFER\_SIZE

# func\_start\_phase

### nifgen.Session.func\_start\_phase

Controls horizontal offset of the standard waveform the signal generator produces. Specify this property in degrees of one waveform cycle. A start phase of 180 degrees means output generation begins halfway through the waveform. A start phase of 360 degrees offsets the output by an entire waveform cycle, which is identical to a start phase of 0 degrees. set the Waveform parameter to DC. Units: Degrees of one cycle

Note: This parameter does not affect signal generator behavior when you

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Start Phase
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FUNC\_START\_PHASE

## func\_waveform

This channel-based property specifies which standard waveform the signal generator produces. Use this property only when *nifgen.Session.output\_mode* is set to *FUNC.SINE* -Sinusoid waveform *SQUARE* - Square waveform *TRIANGLE* - Triangle waveform *RAMP\_UP* - Positive ramp waveform *RAMP\_DOWN* - Negative ramp waveform *DC* - Constant voltage *NOISE* - White noise *USER* - User-defined waveform as defined with *nifgen.Session. define\_user\_standard\_waveform()* 

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.Waveform
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Waveform
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_FUNC\_WAVEFORM

nifgen.Session.func\_waveform

## idle\_behavior

#### nifgen.Session.idle\_behavior

Specifies the behavior of the output during the Idle state. The output can be configured to hold the last generated voltage before entering the Idle state or jump to the Idle Value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.IdleBehavior
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: **Output:Advanced:Idle Behavior**
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_IDLE\_BEHAVIOR

#### idle\_value

#### nifgen.Session.idle\_value

Specifies the value to generate in the Idle state. The Idle Behavior must be configured to jump to this value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: **Output:Advanced:Idle Value**
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_IDLE\_VALUE

#### instrument\_firmware\_revision

nifgen.Session.instrument\_firmware\_revision

A string that contains the firmware revision information for the device that you are currently using.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Firmware Revision
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_FIRMWARE\_REVISION

## instrument\_manufacturer

## nifgen.Session.instrument\_manufacturer

A string that contains the name of the device manufacturer you are currently using.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Manufacturer
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MANUFACTURER

## instrument\_model

### nifgen.Session.instrument\_model

A string that contains the model number or name of the device that you are currently using.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Model
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MODEL

## io\_resource\_descriptor

nifgen.Session.io\_resource\_descriptor

Indicates the resource descriptor that NI-FGEN uses to identify the physical device. If you initialize NI-FGEN with a logical name, this property contains the resource descriptor that corresponds to the entry in the IVI Configuration Utility. If you initialize NI-FGEN with the resource descriptor, this property contains that value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:Advanced Session Information:Resource Descriptor
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_IO\_RESOURCE\_DESCRIPTOR

## load\_impedance

nifgen.Session.load\_impedance

This channel-based property specifies the load impedance connected to the analog output of the channel. If you set this property to NIFGEN\_VAL\_MATCHED\_LOAD\_IMPEDANCE (-1.0), NI-FGEN assumes that the load impedance matches the output impedance. NI-FGEN compensates to give the desired peak-to-peak voltage amplitude or arbitrary gain (relative to 1 V).

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Load Impedance
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_LOAD\_IMPEDANCE

# logical\_name

nifgen.Session.logical\_name

A string containing the logical name that you specified when opening the current IVI session. You may pass a logical name to nifgen.Session.init() or nifgen.Session. InitWithOptions(). The IVI Configuration Utility must contain an entry for the logical name. The logical name entry refers to a virtual instrument section in the IVI Configuration file. The virtual instrument section specifies a physical device and initial user options.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:Advanced Session Information:Logical Name
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_LOGICAL\_NAME

## marker\_events\_count

### nifgen.Session.marker\_events\_count

Returns the number of markers supported by the device. Use this property when *nifgen*. Session.output\_mode is set to SCRIPT.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Marker Events Count
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MARKER\_EVENTS\_COUNT

## marker\_event\_output\_terminal

nifgen.Session.marker\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination terminal for the Marker Event.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Marker:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MARKER\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## max\_freq\_list\_duration

#### nifgen.Session.max\_freq\_list\_duration

Returns the maximum duration of any one step in the frequency list.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Frequency List Mode:Maximum Frequency List Duration
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MAX\_FREQ\_LIST\_DURATION

## max\_freq\_list\_length

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nifgen.Session.max_freq_list_length
```

Returns the maximum number of steps that can be in a frequency list.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Frequency List Mode:Maximum Frequency List Length
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MAX\_FREQ\_LIST\_LENGTH

#### max\_loop\_count

nifgen.Session.max\_loop\_count

Returns the maximum number of times that the signal generator can repeat a waveform in a sequence. Typically, this value is constant for the signal generator.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform: Arbitrary Sequence Mode: Max Loop Count
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MAX\_LOOP\_COUNT

#### max\_num\_freq\_lists

nifgen.Session.max\_num\_freq\_lists

Returns the maximum number of frequency lists the signal generator allows.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Frequency List Mode:Maximum Number Of Frequency Lists
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MAX\_NUM\_FREQ\_LISTS

### max\_num\_sequences

### nifgen.Session.max\_num\_sequences

Returns the maximum number of arbitrary sequences that the signal generator allows. Typically, this value is constant for the signal generator.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Arbitrary Sequence Mode:Max Number of Sequences
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MAX\_NUM\_SEQUENCES

## max\_num\_waveforms

### nifgen.Session.max\_num\_waveforms

Returns the maximum number of arbitrary waveforms that the signal generator allows. Typically, this value is constant for the signal generator.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Capabilities:Max Number of Waveforms
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MAX\_NUM\_WAVEFORMS

## max\_sequence\_length

nifgen.Session.max\_sequence\_length

Returns the maximum number of arbitrary waveforms that the signal generator allows in a sequence. Typically, this value is constant for the signal generator.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform: Arbitrary Sequence Mode: Max Sequence Length
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MAX\_SEQUENCE\_LENGTH

### max\_waveform\_size

### nifgen.Session.max\_waveform\_size

Returns the size, in samples, of the largest waveform that can be created. This property reflects the space currently available, taking into account previously allocated waveforms and instructions.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Capabilities:Max Waveform Size
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MAX\_WAVEFORM\_SIZE

# memory\_size

#### nifgen.Session.memory\_size

The total amount of memory, in bytes, on the signal generator.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Memory Size
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MEMORY\_SIZE

### min\_freq\_list\_duration

#### nifgen.Session.min\_freq\_list\_duration

Returns the minimum number of steps that can be in a frequency list.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Frequency List Mode:Minimum Frequency List Duration
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MIN\_FREQ\_LIST\_DURATION

# min\_freq\_list\_length

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nifgen.Session.min_freq_list_length
```

Returns the minimum number of frequency lists that the signal generator allows.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Standard Function:Frequency List Mode:Minimum Frequency List Length
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MIN\_FREQ\_LIST\_LENGTH

# min\_sequence\_length

# nifgen.Session.min\_sequence\_length

Returns the minimum number of arbitrary waveforms that the signal generator allows in a sequence. Typically, this value is constant for the signal generator.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform: Arbitrary Sequence Mode: Min Sequence Length
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MIN\_SEQUENCE\_LENGTH

## min\_waveform\_size

## nifgen.Session.min\_waveform\_size

Returns the minimum number of points that the signal generator allows in an arbitrary waveform. Typically, this value is constant for the signal generator.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Capabilities:Min Waveform Size
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MIN\_WAVEFORM\_SIZE

# module\_revision

### nifgen.Session.module\_revision

A string that contains the module revision for the device that you are currently using.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Module Revision
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_MODULE\_REVISION

### channel\_count

nifgen.Session.channel\_count

Indicates the number of channels that the specific instrument driver supports. For each property for which IVI\_VAL\_MULTI\_CHANNEL is set, the IVI Engine maintains a separate cache value for each channel.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Capabilities:Channel Count
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_NUM\_CHANNELS

## output\_enabled

#### nifgen.Session.output\_enabled

This channel-based property specifies whether the signal that the signal generator produces appears at the output connector.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Output Enabled
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_ENABLED

#### output\_impedance

#### nifgen.Session.output\_impedance

This channel-based property specifies the signal generator output impedance at the output connector. NI signal sources modules have an output impedance of 50 ohms and an optional 75 ohms on select modules. If the load impedance matches the output impedance, then the voltage at the signal output connector is at the needed level. The voltage at the signal output connector varies with load output impedance, up to doubling the voltage for a high-impedance load.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Output Impedance
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_IMPEDANCE

### output\_mode

#### nifgen.Session.output\_mode

Sets which output mode the signal generator will use. The value you specify determines which methods and properties you use to configure the waveform the signal generator produces.

**Note:** The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you change this property. To change the device configuration, call *nifgen.Session.abort()* or wait for the generation to complete.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.OutputMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Output Mode
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_MODE

### ready\_for\_start\_event\_output\_terminal

nifgen.Session.ready\_for\_start\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination terminal for the Ready for Start Event.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Ready For Start:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_READY\_FOR\_START\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

### reference\_clock\_source

nifgen.Session.reference\_clock\_source

Specifies the reference clock source used by the signal generator. The signal generator derives the frequencies and sample rates that it uses to generate waveforms from the source you specify. For example, when you set this property to ClkIn, the signal generator uses the signal it receives at the CLK IN front panel connector as the Reference clock. To change the device configuration, call *nifgen.Session.abort()* or wait for the generation to complete.

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you change this property.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ReferenceClockSource
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Reference Clock:Source
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_REFERENCE\_CLOCK\_SOURCE

### ref\_clock\_frequency

#### nifgen.Session.ref\_clock\_frequency

Sets the frequency of the signal generator reference clock. The signal generator uses the reference clock to derive frequencies and sample rates when generating output.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Reference Clock:Frequency
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_REF\_CLOCK\_FREQUENCY

#### sample\_clock\_source

nifgen.Session.sample\_clock\_source

Specifies the Sample clock source. If you specify a divisor with the *nifgen.Session.exported\_sample\_clock\_divisor* property, the Sample clock exported with the *nifgen.Session.exported\_sample\_clock\_output\_terminal* property is the value of the Sample clock after it is divided-down. For a list of the terminals available on your device, refer to the Device Routes tab in MAX. To change the device configuration, call *nifgen.Session.abort* () or wait for the generation to complete.

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you change this property.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.SampleClockSource
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Sample Clock:Source
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SAMPLE\_CLOCK\_SOURCE

#### sample\_clock\_timebase\_rate

#### nifgen.Session.sample\_clock\_timebase\_rate

Specifies the Sample clock timebase rate. This property applies only to external Sample clock timebases. To change the device configuration, call *nifgen.Session.abort()* or wait for the generation to complete.

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you change this property.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Sample Clock Timebase:Rate
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SAMPLE\_CLOCK\_TIMEBASE\_RATE

### sample\_clock\_timebase\_source

## nifgen.Session.sample\_clock\_timebase\_source

Specifies the Sample Clock Timebase source. To change the device configuration, call the *nifgen*. *Session.abort* () method or wait for the generation to complete.

Note: The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you change this property.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.SampleClockTimebaseSource
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocks:Sample Clock Timebase:Source
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SAMPLE\_CLOCK\_TIMEBASE\_SOURCE

#### script\_to\_generate

nifgen.Session.script\_to\_generate

Specifies which script the generator produces. To configure the generator to run a particular script, set this property to the name of the script. Use *nifgen.Session.write\_script()* to create multiple scripts. Use this property when *nifgen.Session.output\_mode* is set to *SCRIPT*.

**Note:** The signal generator must not be in the Generating state when you change this property. To change the device configuration, call *nifgen.Session.abort()* or wait for the generation to complete.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Script Mode:Script to Generate
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SCRIPT\_TO\_GENERATE

## script\_triggers\_count

```
nifgen.Session.script_triggers_count
```

Specifies the number of Script triggers supported by the device. Use this property when *nifgen*. *Session.output\_mode* is set to *SCRIPT*.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Script Triggers Count
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SCRIPT\_TRIGGERS\_COUNT

## script\_trigger\_type

## nifgen.Session.script\_trigger\_type

Specifies the Script trigger type. Depending upon the value of this property, additional properties may need to be configured to fully configure the trigger.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the nifgen.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an nifgen.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ScriptTriggerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Script:Trigger Type
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SCRIPT\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

# serial\_number

nifgen.Session.serial\_number

The signal generator's serial number.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Serial Number
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SERIAL\_NUMBER

## simulate

```
nifgen.Session.simulate
```

Specifies whether to simulate NI-FGEN I/O operations. If simulation is enabled, NI-FGEN methods perform range checking and call Ivi\_GetAttribute and Ivi\_SetAttribute, but they do not perform device I/O. For output parameters that represent device data, NI-FGEN methods return calculated values. Default Value: False Use nifgen.Session.InitWithOptions() to override default value.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:User Options:Simulate
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SIMULATE

# specific\_driver\_description

nifgen.Session.**specific\_driver\_description** Returns a brief description of NI-FGEN.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Description
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_DESCRIPTION

## major\_version

nifgen.Session.major\_version

Returns the major version number of NI-FGEN.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Obsolete:Major Version

• C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_MAJOR\_VERSION

## minor\_version

### nifgen.Session.minor\_version

Returns the minor version number of NI-FGEN.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Obsolete:Minor Version
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_MINOR\_VERSION

## specific\_driver\_revision

nifgen.Session.specific\_driver\_revision

A string that contains additional version information about NI-FGEN.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Revision
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_REVISION

## specific\_driver\_vendor

nifgen.Session.**specific\_driver\_vendor** 

A string that contains the name of the vendor that supplies NI-FGEN.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Driver Vendor
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_VENDOR

### started\_event\_output\_terminal

nifgen.Session.**started\_event\_output\_terminal** Specifies the destination terminal for the Started Event.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Events:Started:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_STARTED\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

# start\_trigger\_type

## nifgen.Session.start\_trigger\_type

Specifies whether you want the Start trigger to be a Digital Edge, or Software trigger. You can also choose None as the value for this property.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.StartTriggerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Start:Trigger Type
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_START\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

## streaming\_space\_available\_in\_waveform

### nifgen.Session.streaming\_space\_available\_in\_waveform

Indicates the space available (in samples) in the streaming waveform for writing new data. During generation, this available space may be in multiple locations with, for example, part of the available space at the end of the streaming waveform and the rest at the beginning. In this situation, writing a block of waveform data the size of the total space available in the streaming waveform causes NI-FGEN to return an error, as NI-FGEN will not wrap the data from the end of the waveform to the beginning and cannot write data past the end of the waveform buffer. To avoid writing data past the end of the waveform, write new data to the waveform in a fixed size that is an integer divisor of the total size of the streaming waveform. Used in conjunction with the nifgen.Session.streaming\_waveform\_handle or nifgen.Session. streaming\_waveform\_name properties.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Data Transfer:Streaming:Space Available in Streaming Waveform
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_STREAMING\_SPACE\_AVAILABLE\_IN\_WAVEFORM

## streaming\_waveform\_handle

#### nifgen.Session.streaming\_waveform\_handle

Specifies the waveform handle of the waveform used to continuously stream data during generation. This property defaults to -1 when no streaming waveform is specified. Used in conjunction with nifgen.Session.streaming\_space\_available\_in\_waveform.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Data Transfer:Streaming:Streaming Waveform Handle
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_STREAMING\_WAVEFORM\_HANDLE

### streaming\_waveform\_name

nifgen.Session.streaming\_waveform\_name

Specifies the name of the waveform used to continuously stream data during generation. This property defaults to // when no streaming waveform is specified. Use in conjunction with *nifgen*. *Session.streaming\_space\_available\_in\_waveform*.

Characteristic	Value
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Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
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Channel Based	No
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- Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:
  - LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Data Transfer:Streaming:Streaming Waveform Name
  - C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_STREAMING\_WAVEFORM\_NAME

### streaming\_write\_timeout

#### nifgen.Session.streaming\_write\_timeout

Specifies the maximum amount of time allowed to complete a streaming write operation.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Data Transfer:Streaming:Streaming Write Timeout
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_STREAMING\_WRITE\_TIMEOUT

### supported\_instrument\_models

#### nifgen.Session.supported\_instrument\_models

Returns a model code of the device. For NI-FGEN versions that support more than one device, this property contains a comma-separated list of supported device models.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Instrument:Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Capabilities:Supported Instrument Models
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_SUPPORTED\_INSTRUMENT\_MODELS

## terminal\_configuration

### nifgen.Session.terminal\_configuration

Specifies whether gain and offset values will be analyzed based on single-ended or differential operation.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TerminalConfiguration
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: **Output:Terminal Configuration** 

## • C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_TERMINAL\_CONFIGURATION

### trigger\_mode

nifgen.Session.trigger\_mode

Controls the trigger mode.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggers:Trigger Mode
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_MODE

## wait\_behavior

nifgen.Session.wait\_behavior

Specifies the behavior of the output while waiting for a script trigger or during a wait instruction. The output can be configured to hold the last generated voltage before waiting or jump to the Wait Value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.WaitBehavior
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output:Advanced:Wait Behavior
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_WAIT\_BEHAVIOR

## wait\_value

#### nifgen.Session.wait\_value

Specifies the value to generate while waiting. The Wait Behavior must be configured to jump to this value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: **Output:Advanced:Wait Value**
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_WAIT\_VALUE

### waveform\_quantum

#### nifgen.Session.waveform\_quantum

The size of each arbitrary waveform must be a multiple of a quantum value. This property returns the quantum value that the signal generator allows. For example, when this property returns a value of 8, all waveform sizes must be a multiple of 8. Typically, this value is constant for the signal generator.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Arbitrary Waveform:Capabilities:Waveform Quantum
- C Attribute: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_WAVEFORM\_QUANTUM

## **NI-TClk Support**

nifgen.Session.tclk

This is used to get and set NI-TClk attributes on the session.

## See also:

See *nitclk*.SessionReference for a complete list of attributes.

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## **Repeated Capabilities**

Repeated capabilities attributes are used to set the *channel\_string* parameter to the underlying driver function call. This can be the actual function based on the Session method being called, or it can be the appropriate Get/Set Attribute function, such as niFgen\_SetAttributeViInt32().

Repeated capabilities attributes use the indexing operator [] to indicate the repeated capabilities. The parameter can be a string, list, tuple, or slice (range). Each element of those can be a string or an integer. If it is a string, you can indicate a range using the same format as the driver:  $\0-2'$  or  $\0:2'$ 

Some repeated capabilities use a prefix before the number and this is optional

## channels

```
nifgen.Session.channels[]
```

session.channels['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of '0, 1, 2' to the set attribute function.

## script\_triggers

```
nifgen.Session.script_triggers[]
```

If no prefix is added to the items in the parameter, the correct prefix will be added when the driver function call is made.

session.script\_triggers['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of `ScriptTrigger0, ScriptTrigger1, ScriptTrigger2' to the set attribute function.

If an invalid repeated capability is passed to the driver, the driver will return an error.

You can also explicitly use the prefix as part of the parameter, but it must be the correct prefix for the specific repeated capability.

passes a string of `ScriptTrigger0, ScriptTrigger1, ScriptTrigger2' to the set attribute function.

### markers

#### nifgen.Session.markers[]

If no prefix is added to the items in the parameter, the correct prefix will be added when the driver function call is made.

session.markers['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of 'Marker0, Marker1, Marker2' to the set attribute function.

If an invalid repeated capability is passed to the driver, the driver will return an error.

You can also explicitly use the prefix as part of the parameter, but it must be the correct prefix for the specific repeated capability.

session.markers['Marker0-Marker2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of 'Marker0, Marker1, Marker2' to the set attribute function.

## Enums

Enums used in NI-FGEN

## AnalogPath

### class nifgen.AnalogPath

### MAIN

Specifies use of the main path. NI-FGEN chooses the amplifier based on the user-specified gain.

### DIRECT

Specifies use of the direct path.

### FIXED\_LOW\_GAIN

Specifies use of the low-gain amplifier in the main path, no matter what value the user specifies for gain. This setting limits the output range.

### FIXED\_HIGH\_GAIN

Specifies use of the high-gain amplifier in the main path.

## **BusType**

## class nifgen.BusType

## INVALID

Indicates an invalid bus type.

## AT

Indicates the signal generator is the AT bus type.

## PCI

Indicates the signal generator is the PCI bus type.

## PXI

Indicates the signal generator is the PXI bus type.

## VXI

Indicates the signal generator is the VXI bus type.

## PCMCIA

Indicates the signal generator is the PCI-CMA bus type.

## PXIE

Indicates the signal generator is the PXI Express bus type.

## **ByteOrder**

class nifgen.ByteOrder

LITTLE

BIG

## ClockMode

class nifgen.ClockMode

## HIGH\_RESOLUTION

High resolution sampling—Sample rate is generated by a high-resolution clock source.

## DIVIDE\_DOWN

Divide down sampling—Sample rates are generated by dividing the source frequency.

### AUTOMATIC

Automatic Selection-NI-FGEN selects between the divide-down and high-resolution clocking modes.

## **DataMarkerEventLevelPolarity**

### class nifgen.DataMarkerEventLevelPolarity

### HIGH

When the operation is ready to start, the Ready for Start event level is high.

#### LOW

When the operation is ready to start, the Ready for Start event level is low.

## HardwareState

class nifgen.HardwareState

IDLE

WAITING\_FOR\_START\_TRIGGER RUNNING DONE HARDWARE\_ERROR

## **IdleBehavior**

class nifgen.IdleBehavior

## HOLD\_LAST

While in an Idle or Wait state, the output signal remains at the last voltage generated prior to entering the state.

#### JUMP\_TO

While in an Idle or Wait state, the output signal remains at the value configured in the Idle or Wait value property.

## **OutputMode**

### class nifgen.OutputMode

### FUNC

Standard Method mode— Generates standard method waveforms such as sine, square, triangle, and so on.

ARB

Arbitrary waveform mode—Generates waveforms from user-created/provided waveform arrays of numeric data.

### SEQ

Arbitrary sequence mode — Generates downloaded waveforms in an order your specify.

### FREQ\_LIST

Frequency List mode—Generates a standard method using a list of frequencies you define.

#### SCRIPT

Script mode—Allows you to use scripting to link and loop multiple waveforms in complex combinations.

## ReferenceClockSource

#### class nifgen.ReferenceClockSource

### CLOCK\_IN

Specifies that the CLK IN input signal from the front panel connector is used as the Reference Clock source.

### NONE

Specifies that a Reference Clock is not used.

### ONBOARD\_REFERENCE\_CLOCK

Specifies that the onboard Reference Clock is used as the Reference Clock source.

### PXI\_CLOCK

Specifies the PXI Clock is used as the Reference Clock source.

## RTSI\_7

Specifies that the RTSI line 7 is used as the Reference Clock source.

## **RelativeTo**

class nifgen.RelativeTo

## START

CURRENT

## SampleClockSource

### class nifgen.SampleClockSource

### CLOCK\_IN

Specifies that the signal at the CLK IN front panel connector is used as the Sample Clock source.

### DDC\_CLOCK\_IN

Specifies that the Sample Clock from DDC connector is used as the Sample Clock source.

### ONBOARD\_CLOCK

Specifies that the onboard clock is used as the Sample Clock source.

### PXI\_STAR\_LINE

Specifies that the PXI\_STAR trigger line is used as the Sample Clock source.

#### **PXI\_TRIGGER\_LINE\_0\_RTSI\_0** Specifies that the PXI or RTSI line 0 is used as the Sample Clock source.

## PXI\_TRIGGER\_LINE\_1\_RTSI\_1

Specifies that the PXI or RTSI line 1 is used as the Sample Clock source.

## PXI\_TRIGGER\_LINE\_2\_RTSI\_2

Specifies that the PXI or RTSI line 2 is used as the Sample Clock source.

## PXI\_TRIGGER\_LINE\_3\_RTSI\_3

Specifies that the PXI or RTSI line 3 is used as the Sample Clock source.

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**PXI\_TRIGGER\_LINE\_4\_RTSI\_4** Specifies that the PXI or RTSI line 4 is used as the Sample Clock source.

## PXI\_TRIGGER\_LINE\_5\_RTSI\_5

Specifies that the PXI or RTSI line 5 is used as the Sample Clock source.

### PXI\_TRIGGER\_LINE\_6\_RTSI\_6

Specifies that the PXI or RTSI line 6 is used as the Sample Clock source.

## PXI\_TRIGGER\_LINE\_7\_RTSI\_7

Specifies that the PXI or RTSI line 7 is used as the Sample Clock source.

### SampleClockTimebaseSource

### class nifgen.SampleClockTimebaseSource

### CLOCK\_IN

Specifies that the external signal on the CLK IN front panel connector is used as the source.

#### ONBOARD\_CLOCK

Specifies that the onboard Sample Clock timebase is used as the source.

## ScriptTriggerDigitalEdgeEdge

### class nifgen.ScriptTriggerDigitalEdgeEdge

## RISING

Rising Edge

## FALLING

Falling Edge

## ScriptTriggerType

### class nifgen.ScriptTriggerType

### TRIG\_NONE

No trigger is configured. Signal generation starts immediately.

#### DIGITAL\_EDGE

Trigger is asserted when a digital edge is detected.

#### DIGITAL\_LEVEL

Trigger is asserted when a digital level is detected.

#### SOFTWARE\_EDGE

Trigger is asserted when a software edge is detected.

## StartTriggerDigitalEdgeEdge

## class nifgen.StartTriggerDigitalEdgeEdge

RISING Rising Edge

FALLING Falling Edge

## StartTriggerType

class nifgen.StartTriggerType

TRIG\_NONE

None

DIGITAL\_EDGE Digital Edge

SOFTWARE\_EDGE Software Edge

P2P\_ENDPOINT\_FULLNESS P2P Endpoint Fullness

## TerminalConfiguration

### class nifgen.TerminalConfiguration

SINGLE\_ENDED Single-ended operation

DIFFERENTIAL

Differential operation

Trigger

class nifgen.Trigger

## START

SCRIPT

## TriggerMode

class nifgen.TriggerMode

### SINGLE

Single Trigger Mode - The waveform you describe in the sequence list is generated only once by going through the entire staging list. Only one trigger is required to start the waveform generation. You can use Single trigger mode with the output mode in any mode. After a trigger is received, the waveform generation starts from the first stage and continues through to the last stage. Then, the last stage generates repeatedly until you stop the waveform generation.

### CONTINUOUS

Continuous Trigger Mode - The waveform you describe in the staging list generates infinitely by repeatedly cycling through the staging list. After a trigger is received, the waveform generation starts from the first stage and continues through to the last stage. After the last stage completes, the waveform generation loops back to the start of the first stage and continues until it is stopped. Only one trigger is required to start the waveform generation.

#### STEPPED

Stepped Trigger Mode - After a start trigger is received, the waveform described by the first stage generates. Then, the device waits for the next trigger signal. On the next trigger, the waveform described by the second stage generates, and so on. After the staging list completes, the waveform generation returns to the first stage and continues in a cyclic fashion. After any stage has generated completely, the first eight samples of the next stage are repeated continuously until the next trigger is received. trigger mode.

Note: In Frequency List mode, Stepped trigger mode is the same as Burst

### BURST

Burst Trigger Mode - After a start trigger is received, the waveform described by the first stage generates until another trigger is received. At the next trigger, the buffer of the previous stage completes, and then the waveform described by the second stage generates. After the staging list completes, the waveform generation returns to the first stage and continues in a cyclic fashion. In Frequency List mode, the duration instruction is ignored, and the trigger switches the frequency to the next frequency in the list. trigger mode.

Note: In Frequency List mode, Stepped trigger mode is the same as Burst

## **WaitBehavior**

#### class nifgen.WaitBehavior

#### HOLD\_LAST

While in an Idle or Wait state, the output signal remains at the last voltage generated prior to entering the state.

#### JUMP\_TO

While in an Idle or Wait state, the output signal remains at the value configured in the Idle or Wait value property.

## Waveform

class nifgen.Waveform

SINE

Sinusoid waveform

#### SQUARE

Square waveform

### TRIANGLE

Triange waveform

## RAMP\_UP

Positive ramp waveform

#### RAMP\_DOWN

Negative ramp waveform

#### DC

Constant voltage

### NOISE

White noise

### USER

User-defined waveform as defined by the nifgen.Session. define\_user\_standard\_waveform() method.

## **Exceptions and Warnings**

## Error

**exception** nifgen.errors.**Error** Base exception type that all NI-FGEN exceptions derive from

## **DriverError**

**exception** nifgen.errors.**DriverError** An error originating from the NI-FGEN driver

## **UnsupportedConfigurationError**

**exception** nifgen.errors.**UnsupportedConfigurationError** An error due to using this module in an usupported platform.

## **DriverNotInstalledError**

**exception** nifgen.errors.**DriverNotInstalledError** An error due to using this module without the driver runtime installed.

### InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError

**exception** nifgen.errors.**InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError** An error due to an invalid character in a repeated capability

## SelfTestError

**exception** nifgen.errors.**SelfTestError** An error due to a failed self-test

## DriverWarning

**exception** nifgen.errors.**DriverWarning** A warning originating from the NI-FGEN driver

## **Examples**

You can download all nifgen examples here

## nifgen\_arb\_waveform.py

```
Listing 10: (nifgen_arb_waveform.py)
```

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
3
   import argparse
   import math
4
   import nifgen
5
   import sys
6
   import time
7
   def create_waveform_data(number_of_samples):
10
       waveform_data = []
11
       angle_per_sample = (2 * math.pi) / number_of_samples
12
       for i in range(number_of_samples):
13
            waveform_data.append(math.sin(i * angle_per_sample) * math.sin(i * angle_per_
14
   \rightarrow sample * 20))
15
       return waveform_data
16
17
   def example (resource_name, options, samples, gain, offset, gen_time):
18
       waveform_data = create_waveform_data(samples)
19
       with nifgen.Session(resource_name=resource_name, options=options) as session:
20
            session.output_mode = nifgen.OutputMode.ARB
21
22
            waveform = session.create_waveform(waveform_data_array=waveform_data)
            session.configure_arb_waveform(waveform_handle=waveform, gain=gain,...
23
   \rightarrow offset=offset)
            with session.initiate():
24
                time.sleep(gen_time)
25
26
27
   def _main(argsv):
28
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Continuously generates an arbitrary,
29
   →waveform.', formatter class=argparse.ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource_
30
   ↔name of a National Instruments Arbitrary Waveform Generator')
       parser.add_argument('-s', '--samples', default=100000, type=int, help='Number of...
31
   \leftrightarrow samples')
       parser.add_argument('-g', '--gain', default=1.0, type=float, help='Gain')
32
       parser.add_argument('-o', '--offset', default=0.0, type=float, help='DC offset (V)
33
   \rightarrow ')
       parser.add_argument('-t', '--time', default=5.0, type=float, help='Generation...
34
   \rightarrowtime (s)')
       parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option_
35
   \leftrightarrow string')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
36
       example(args.resource_name, args.option_string, args.samples, args.gain, args.
37
   →offset, args.time)
38
39
   def main():
40
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
41
42
43
   def test_example():
44
```

```
options = { 'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': { 'Model': '5433 (2CH)', 'BoardType':
45
    \rightarrow 'PXIe', }, }
       example('PXI1Slot2', options, 100000, 1.0, 0.0, 5.0)
46
47
48
   def test_main():
49
        cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:5433 (2CH);
50
   →BoardType:PXIe', ]
        _main(cmd_line)
51
52
53
   if __name__ == '__main__':
54
55
       main()
56
57
```

nifgen\_script.py

Listing 11: (nifgen\_script.py)

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
   import argparse
3
   import nifgen
4
   import numpy as np
5
   from scipy import signal
6
   import sys
7
   import time
8
9
   number_of_points = 256
10
11
12
   def calculate_sinewave():
13
       time = np.linspace(start=0, stop=10, num=number_of_points)
                                                                          # np.linspace(start,
14
   → stop, num=50, endpoint=True, retstep=False, dtype=None)
       amplitude = np.sin(time)
15
       sinewave = amplitude.tolist()
                                                                        # List of Float
16
       return sinewave
17
18
19
   def calculate_rampup():
20
       ramp = np.linspace(start=0, stop=0.5, num=number_of_points)
                                                                          # np.linspace(start,
21
   → stop, num=50, endpoint=True, retstep=False, dtype=None)
       ramp_up = ramp.tolist()
                                                                        # List of Float
22
23
       return ramp_up
24
25
   def calculate_rampdown():
26
       ramp = np.linspace(start=0, stop=0.5, num=number_of_points)
                                                                          # np.linspace(start,
27
   → stop, num=50, endpoint=True, retstep=False, dtype=None)
       ramp_down = ramp.tolist()
                                                                        # List of Float
28
                                                                        # Reverse list to get ...
       ramp_down.reverse()
29
   →a ramp down
       return ramp_down
30
```

```
32
   def calculate_square():
33
       time = np.linspace(start=0, stop=10, num=number_of_points)
                                                                             # np.linspace(start,
34
    → stop, num=50, endpoint=True, retstep=False, dtype=None)
        square_build = signal.square(t=time, duty=0.5)
                                                                           # signal.square(t,__
35
    \leftrightarrow duty=0.5)
       square = square_build.tolist()
                                                                           # List of Float
36
        return square
37
38
39
   def calculate_triangle():
40
       time = np.linspace(start=0, stop=1, num=number_of_points)
41
                                                                             # np.linspace(start,
    → stop, num=50, endpoint=True, retstep=False, dtype=None)
       triangle_build = signal.sawtooth(t=time)
                                                                           # signal.sawtooth(t,...
42
    \rightarrow width=1)
       triangle = triangle_build.tolist()
                                                                           # List of Float
43
        return triangle
44
45
46
   def calculate_gaussian_noise():
47
        random_noise = np.random.normal(loc=0, scale=0.1, size=number_of_points) #...
48

→random.normal(loc=0.0, scale=1.0, size=None)

       noise = random_noise.tolist()
                                                                                        # List of
49
    \hookrightarrowFloat
50
       return noise
51
52
   SCRIPT ALL = '''
53
   script scriptmulti
54
     repeat until scriptTrigger0
55
       generate rampup
56
       generate sine
57
       generate rampdown
58
     end repeat
59
     repeat until scriptTrigger0
60
       generate rampdown
61
       generate square
62
63
       generate rampup
     end repeat
64
     repeat until scriptTrigger0
65
       generate rampup
66
       generate rampdown
67
     end repeat
68
     repeat until scriptTrigger0
69
       generate sine
70
     end repeat
71
     repeat until scriptTrigger0
72
       generate triangle
73
     end repeat
74
     repeat until scriptTrigger0
75
       generate rampdown
76
77
       generate noise
       generate rampup
78
     end repeat
79
   end script
80
81
```

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script scriptsine

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```
repeat until scriptTrigger0
83
        generate sine
84
     end repeat
85
   end script
86
87
   script scriptrampup
88
     repeat until scriptTrigger0
89
        generate rampup
90
     end repeat
91
   end script
92
93
   script scriptrampdown
94
     repeat until scriptTrigger0
95
        generate rampdown
96
     end repeat
97
   end script
98
99
   script scriptsquare
100
101
     repeat until scriptTrigger0
        generate square
102
     end repeat
103
   end script
104
105
   script scripttriangle
106
107
    repeat until scriptTrigger0
        generate triangle
108
    end repeat
109
   end script
110
111
112
   script scriptnoise
     repeat until scriptTrigger0
113
        generate noise
114
     end repeat
115
   end script
116
    1.1.1
117
118
119
120
   def example(resource_name, options, shape, channel):
121
        with nifgen.Session(resource_name=resource_name, options=options, channel_
    →name=channel) as session:
             # CONFIGURATION
122
             # 1 - Set the mode to Script
123
            session.output_mode = nifgen.OutputMode.SCRIPT
124
125
             # 2 - Configure Trigger:
126
            # SOFTWARE TRIGGER: used in the script
127
            session.script_triggers[0].script_trigger_type = nifgen.ScriptTriggerType.
128
    ←SOFTWARE_EDGE # TRIG_NONE / DIGITAL_EDGE / DIGITAL_LEVEL / SOFTWARE_EDGE
            session.script_triggers[0].digital_edge_script_trigger_edge = nifgen.
129
    -ScriptTriggerDigitalEdgeEdge.RISING # RISING / FAILING
130
131
             # 3 - Calculate and write different waveform data to the device's onboard.
    →memory
            session.channels[channel].write_waveform('sine', calculate_sinewave())
132
    \rightarrow # (waveform name, data)
            session.channels[channel].write_waveform('rampup', calculate_rampup())
133
```

```
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```

```
session.channels[channel].write_waveform('rampdown', calculate_rampdown())
134
            session.channels[channel].write_waveform('square', calculate_square())
135
            session.channels[channel].write_waveform('triangle', calculate_triangle())
136
            session.channels[channel].write_waveform('noise', calculate_gaussian_noise())
137
138
             # 4 - Script to generate
139
             # supported shapes: SINE / SQUARE / TRIANGLE / RAMPUP / RAMPDOWN / NOISE / ...
140
    \hookrightarrow MULTI
            script_name = 'script{}'.format(shape.lower())
141
            num_triggers = 6 if shape.upper() == 'MULTI' else 1 # Only multi needs two_
142
    →triggers, all others need one
143
144
            session.channels[channel].write_script(SCRIPT_ALL)
            session.script_to_generate = script_name
145
146
             # LAUNCH
147
148
            with session.initiate():
                 for x in range(num_triggers):
149
                     time.sleep(10)
150
                     session.script_triggers[0].send_software_edge_trigger()
151
152
153
   def __main(argsv):
154
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Generate different shape waveforms.
155

→ ', formatter_class=argparse.ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
156
       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource_
    ↔name of a National Instruments Arbitrary Waveform Generator')
       parser.add_argument('-s', '--shape', default='SINE', help='Shape of the signal to...
157
    \leftrightarrow generate')
        parser.add_argument('-c', '--channel', default='0', help='Channel to use when,
158
    →generating')
        parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option_
159
    \leftrightarrow string')
        args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
160
        example(args.resource_name, args.option_string, args.shape.upper(), args.channel)
161
162
163
164
   def test_example():
165
        options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '5433 (2CH)', 'BoardType':
    \rightarrow 'PXIe', }, }
        example('PXI1Slot2', options, 'SINE', '0')
166
167
168
   def test_main():
169
        cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:5433 (2CH);
170
    →BoardType:PXIe', '--channel', '0', ]
        _main(cmd_line)
171
172
173
   def main():
174
175
        _main(sys.argv[1:])
176
177
   if
       name == ' main ':
178
179
        main()
180
181
```

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### nifgen\_standard\_function.py

Listing 12: (nifgen\_standard\_function.py)

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
   import argparse
3
   import nifgen
4
   import sys
5
   import time
6
7
8
   def example(resource_name, options, waveform, frequency, amplitude, offset, phase,
9
   →gen_time):
       with nifgen Session(resource_name=resource_name, options=options) as session:
10
           session.output_mode = nifgen.OutputMode.FUNC
11
           session.configure_standard_waveform(waveform=nifgen.Waveform[waveform],...
12
   →amplitude=amplitude, frequency=frequency, dc_offset=offset, start_phase=phase)
           with session.initiate():
13
               time.sleep(gen_time)
14
15
16
   def _main(argsv):
17
       supported_waveforms = list(nifgen.Waveform.__members__.keys())[:-1] # no support__
18
   → for user-defined waveforms in example
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Generates the standard function.',
19
   ⇔formatter_class=argparse.ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource_
20
   ←name of a National Instruments Function Generator')
       parser.add_argument('-w', '--waveform', default=supported_waveforms[0],...
21
   parser.add_argument('-f', '--frequency', default=1000, type=float, help=
22
   \leftrightarrow 'Frequency (Hz)')
       parser.add_argument('-a', '--amplitude', default=1.0, type=float, help='Amplitude_
23
   \rightarrow (Vpk-pk) ')
       parser.add_argument('-o', '--offset', default=0.0, type=float, help='DC offset (V)
24
    \rightarrow  ' )
       parser.add_argument('-p', '--phase', default=0.0, type=float, help='Start phase_
25
   \rightarrow (deg) ')
       parser.add_argument('-t', '--time', default=5.0, type=float, help='Generation_
26
   \rightarrowtime (s)')
27
       parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option_
   \leftrightarrow string')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
28
       example(args.resource_name, args.option_string, args.waveform, args.frequency,
29
   →args.amplitude, args.offset, args.phase, args.time)
30
31
   def main():
32
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
33
34
```

```
35
   def test example():
36
       options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '5433 (2CH)', 'BoardType':
37
    \leftrightarrow 'PXIe', }, }
        example('PXI1Slot2', options, 'SINE', 1000, 1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 5.0)
38
39
40
   def test_main():
41
        cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:5433 (2CH);
42
    →BoardType:PXIe', ]
        _main(cmd_line)
43
44
45
   if __name__ == '__main__':
46
        main()
47
48
49
```

## nifgen\_trigger.py

Listing 13: (nifgen\_trigger.py)

```
import argparse
1
   import nifgen
2
   import sys
3
   import time
4
5
6
   def example(resource_name1, resource_name2, options, waveform, gen_time):
7
       with nifgen.Session(resource_name=resource_name1, options=options) as session1,_
8

whifgen.Session(resource_name=resource_name2, options=options) as session2:

           session_list = [session1, session2]
9
           for session in session_list:
10
               session.output_mode = nifgen.OutputMode.FUNC
11
               session.configure_standard_waveform(waveform=nifgen.Waveform[waveform],_
12
   →amplitude=1.0, frequency=1000, dc_offset=0.0, start_phase=0.0)
           session1.start_trigger_type = nifgen.StartTriggerType.SOFTWARE_EDGE
13
           session2.start_trigger_type = nifgen.StartTriggerType.DIGITAL_EDGE
14
           session2.digital_edge_start_trigger_edge = nifgen.StartTriggerDigitalEdgeEdge.
15
   ⇔RISING
           session2.digital_edge_start_trigger_source = '/' + resource_name1 + '/0/
16
   →StartTrigger'
           with session2.initiate():
17
               with session1.initiate():
18
                    session1.send_software_edge_trigger(nifgen.Trigger.START)
19
                    time.sleep(gen_time)
20
21
22
   def __main(argsv):
23
       supported_waveforms = list(nifgen.Waveform.___members___.keys())[:-1] # no support__
24
   ↔ for user-defined waveforms in example
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Triggers one device on the start...
25

--trigger of another device.', formatter_class=argparse.ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
```

```
parser.add_argument('-n1', '--resource-name1', default='PXI1Slot2', help=
26
   ↔ 'Resource name of a NI Function Generator')
       parser.add_argument('-n2', '--resource-name2', default='PXI1Slot3', help=
27
   ↔ 'Resource name of a NI Function Generator')
       parser.add_argument('-w', '--waveform', default=supported_waveforms[0],_
28
   → choices=supported_waveforms, type=str.upper, help='Standard waveform')
       parser.add_argument('-t', '--time', default=5.0, type=float, help='Generation.
29
   →time (s)')
       parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option_
30
   \leftrightarrow string')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
31
       example(args.resource_name1, args.resource_name2, args.option_string, args.
32
   →waveform, args.time)
33
34
   def main():
35
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
36
37
38
   def test_example():
39
       options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '5433 (2CH)', 'BoardType':
40

→ 'PXIe', }, }

       example('PXI1Slot2', 'PXI1Slot3', options, 'SINE', 5.0)
41
42
43
44
   def test_main():
       cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:5433 (2CH);
45
   →BoardType:PXIe', ]
       _main(cmd_line)
46
47
48
49
   if
       name__ == '__main__':
       main()
50
```

# 7.5 niscope module

# 7.5.1 Installation

As a prerequisite to using the niscope module, you must install the NI-SCOPE runtime on your system. Visit ni.com/downloads to download the driver runtime for your devices.

The nimi-python modules (i.e. for NI-SCOPE) can be installed with pip:

```
$ python -m pip install niscope~=1.3.3
```

Or easy\_install from setuptools:

```
$ python -m easy_install niscope
```

# 7.5.2 Usage

The following is a basic example of using the **niscope** module to open a session to a High Speed Digitizer and capture a single record of 1000 points.

```
import niscope
with niscope.Session("Dev1") as session:
   session.channels[0].configure_vertical(range=1.0, coupling=niscope.
→ VerticalCoupling.AC)
   session.channels[1].configure_vertical(range=10.0, coupling=niscope.
→ VerticalCoupling.DC)
   session.configure_horizontal_timing(min_sample_rate=50000000, min_num_pts=1000,...
→ref_position=50.0, num_records=5, enforce_realtime=True)
   with session.initiate():
       waveforms = session.channels[0,1].fetch(num_records=5)
   for wfm in waveforms:
       print('Channel {0}, record {1} samples acquired: {2:, }\n'.format(wfm.channel,...
→wfm.record, len(wfm.samples)))
    # Find all channel 1 records (Note channel name is always a string even if...
→integers used in channel[])
   chan1 = [wfm for wfm in waveforms if wfm.channel == '0']
    # Find all record number 3
   rec3 = [wfm for wfm in waveforms if wfm.record == 3]
```

The waveform returned from fetch is a flat list of Python objects

- Attributes:
  - relative\_initial\_x (float) the time (in seconds) from the trigger to the first sample in the fetched waveform
  - **absolute\_initial\_x** (float) timestamp (in seconds) of the first fetched sample. This timestamp is comparable between records and acquisitions; devices that do not support this parameter use 0 for this output.
  - x\_increment (float) the time between points in the acquired waveform in seconds
  - channel (str) channel name this waveform was acquired from
  - record (int) record number of this waveform
  - gain (float) the gain factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

voltage = binary data \* gain factor + offset

offset (float) the offset factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

voltage = binary data \* gain factor + offset

- samples (array of float) floating point array of samples. Length will be of the actual samples acquired
- Such that all record 0 waveforms are first. For example, with a channel list of 0,1, you would have the following index values:
  - index 0 = record 0, channel 0
  - index 1 = record 0, channel 1
  - index 2 = record 1, channel 0
  - index 3 = record 1, channel 1
  - etc.

If you need more performance or need to work with SciPy, you can use the *fetch\_into()* method instead of *fetch()*. This method takes an already allocated numpy array and puts the acquired samples in it. Data types supported:

• numpy.float64

- numpy.int8
- numpy.in16
- numpy.int32

The waveform\_infos returned from fetch\_into is a 1D list of Python objects

- Attributes:
  - relative\_initial\_x (float) the time (in seconds) from the trigger to the first sample in the fetched waveform
  - **absolute\_initial\_x** (float) timestamp (in seconds) of the first fetched sample. This timestamp is comparable between records and acquisitions; devices that do not support this parameter use 0 for this output.
  - x\_increment (float) the time between points in the acquired waveform in seconds
  - channel (str) channel name this waveform was asquire from
  - record (int) record number of this waveform
  - gain (float) the gain factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

voltage = binary data \* gain factor + offset

offset (float) the offset factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

voltage = binary data \* gain factor + offset

- **samples** (numpy array of datatype used) floating point array of samples. Length will be of the actual samples acquired

Note: Python 3 only

- Such that all record 0 waveforms are first. For example, with a channel list of 0,1, you would have the following index values:
  - index 0 = record 0, channel 0
  - index 1 = record 0, channel 1
  - index 2 = record 1, channel 0
  - index 3 = record 1, channel 1
  - etc.

**Note:** When using Python 2, the waveform\_infos objects do not include the waveform for that record. Instead, samples are in the waveform passed into the function using the following layout:

- index 0 = record 0, channel 0
- index x = record 0, channel 1
- index 2x = record 1, channel 0
- index 3x = record 1, channel 1
- etc.
- Where *x* = the record length

Additional examples for NI-SCOPE are located in src/niscope/examples/ directory.

# 7.5.3 API Reference

## Session

**class** niscope.**Session** (*self*, *resource\_name*, *id\_query=False*, *reset\_device=False*, *options={}*) Performs the following initialization actions:

- Creates a new IVI instrument driver and optionally sets the initial state of the following session properties: Range Check, Cache, Simulate, Record Value Coercions
- Opens a session to the specified device using the interface and address you specify for the resourceName
- Resets the digitizer to a known state if resetDevice is set to True
- Queries the instrument ID and verifies that it is valid for this instrument driver if the **IDQuery** is set to True
- Returns an instrument handle that you use to identify the instrument in all subsequent instrument driver method calls

#### Parameters

• resource\_name (str)-

**Caution:** Traditional NI-DAQ and NI-DAQmx device names are not case-sensitive. However, all IVI names, such as logical names, are case-sensitive. If you use logical names, driver session names, or virtual names in your program, you must make sure that the name you use matches the name in the IVI Configuration Store file exactly, without any variations in the case of the characters.

Specifies the resource name of the device to initialize

For Traditional NI-DAQ devices, the syntax is DAQ::*n*, where *n* is the device number assigned by MAX, as shown in Example 1.

For NI-DAQmx devices, the syntax is just the device name specified in MAX, as shown in Example 2. Typical default names for NI-DAQmx devices in MAX are Dev1 or PXI1Slot1. You can rename an NI-DAQmx device by right-clicking on the name in MAX and entering a new name.

An alternate syntax for NI-DAQmx devices consists of DAQ::NI-DAQmx device name, as shown in Example 3. This naming convention allows for the use of an NI-DAQmx device in an application that was originally designed for a Traditional NI-DAQ device. For example, if the application expects DAQ::1, you can rename the NI-DAQmx device to 1 in MAX and pass in DAQ::1 for the resource name, as shown in Example 4.

If you use the DAQ::*n* syntax and an NI-DAQmx device name already exists with that same name, the NI-DAQmx device is matched first.

You can also pass in the name of an IVI logical name or an IVI virtual name configured with the IVI Configuration utility, as shown in Example 5. A logical name identifies a particular virtual instrument. A virtual name identifies a specific device and specifies the initial settings for the session.

Exam-	Device Type	Syntax
ple		
1	Traditional NI-DAQ device	DAQ::1 (1 = device number)
2	NI-DAQmx device	myDAQmxDevice (myDAQmxDevice = de-
		vice name)
3	NI-DAQmx device	DAQ::myDAQmxDevice (myDAQmxDevice
		= device name)
4	NI-DAQmx device	DAQ::2 (2 = device name)
5	IVI logical name or IVI vir-	myLogicalName (myLogicalName = name)
	tual name	

• id\_query (bool) – Specify whether to perform an ID query.

When you set this parameter to True, NI-SCOPE verifies that the device you initialize is a type that it supports.

When you set this parameter to False, the method initializes the device without performing an ID query.

### **Defined Values**

True—Perform ID query False—Skip ID query

#### Default Value: True

• **reset\_device** (*bool*) – Specify whether to reset the device during the initialization process.

Default Value: True

### **Defined Values**

True (1)—Reset device

False (0)-Do not reset device

**Note:** For the NI 5112, repeatedly resetting the device may cause excessive wear on the electromechanical relays. Refer to NI 5112 Electromechanical Relays for recommended programming practices.

• **options** (*dict*) – Specifies the initial value of certain properties for the session. The syntax for **options** is a dictionary of properties with an assigned value. For example:

{ 'simulate': False }

You do not have to specify a value for all the properties. If you do not specify a value for a property, the default value is used.

Advanced Example: { 'simulate': True, 'driver\_setup': { 'Model': '<model number>', 'BoardType': '<type>' } }

Property	Default
range_check	True
query_instrument_status	False
cache	True
simulate	False
record_value_coersions	False
driver_setup	{}

## **Methods**

## abort

```
niscope.Session.abort()
```

Aborts an acquisition and returns the digitizer to the Idle state. Call this method if the digitizer times out waiting for a trigger.

### acquisition\_status

```
niscope.Session.acquisition_status()
```

Returns status information about the acquisition to the status output parameter.

Return type niscope.AcquisitionStatus

### Returns

Returns whether the acquisition is complete, in progress, or unknown.

#### **Defined Values**

COMPLETE

IN\_PROGRESS

STATUS\_UNKNOWN

### add\_waveform\_processing

## niscope.Session.add\_waveform\_processing(meas\_function)

Adds one measurement to the list of processing steps that are completed before the measurement. The processing is added on a per channel basis, and the processing measurements are completed in the same order they are registered. All measurement library parameters—the properties starting with "**meas\_**"—are cached at the time of registering the processing, and this set of parameters is used during the processing step. The processing measurements are streamed, so the result of the

first processing step is used as the input for the next step. The processing is done before any other measurements.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

**Parameters meas\_function** (*niscope.ArrayMeasurement*) – The array measurement to add.

## auto\_setup

niscope.Session.auto\_setup()

Automatically configures the instrument. When you call this method, the digitizer senses the input signal and automatically configures many of the instrument settings. If a signal is detected on a channel, the driver chooses the smallest available vertical range that is larger than the signal range. For example, if the signal is a 1.2  $V_{pk-pk}$  sine wave, and the device supports 1 V and 2 V vertical ranges, the driver will choose the 2 V vertical range for that channel.

If no signal is found on any analog input channel, a warning is returned, and all channels are enabled. A channel is considered to have a signal present if the signal is at least 10% of the smallest vertical range available for that channel.

The following settings are changed:

General	
Acquisition mode	Normal
Reference clock	Internal
Vertical	
Vertical coupling	AC (DC for NI 5621)
Vertical bandwidth	Full
Vertical range	Changed by auto setup
Vertical offset	0 V
Probe attenuation	Unchanged by auto setup
Input impedance	Unchanged by auto setup
Horizontal	
Sample rate	Changed by auto setup
Min record length	Changed by auto setup
Enforce realtime	True
Number of Records	Changed to 1
Triggering	
Trigger type	Edge if signal present, otherwise immediate
Trigger channel	Lowest numbered channel with a signal present
Trigger slope	Positive
Trigger coupling	DC
Reference position	50%
Trigger level	50% of signal on trigger channel
Trigger delay	0
Trigger holdoff	0
Trigger output	None

### clear\_waveform\_measurement\_stats

niscope.Session.clear\_waveform\_measurement\_stats (clearable\_measurement\_function=niscope.ClearableMeasurements, use ALL\_MEASUREMENTS in the clearableMeasurementFunction parameter.

Every time a measurement is called, the statistics information is updated, including the min, max, mean, standard deviation, and number of updates. This information is fetched with <code>niscope.Session.\_fetch\_measurement\_stats()</code>. The multi-acquisition array measurements are also cleared with this method.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

Parameters clearable\_measurement\_function(niscope.ClearableMeasurement) - The scalar measurement or array measurementto clear the stats for.

## clear\_waveform\_processing

niscope.Session.clear\_waveform\_processing()

Clears the list of processing steps assigned to the given channel. The processing is added using the *niscope.Session.add\_waveform\_processing()* method, where the processing steps are completed in the same order in which they are registered. The processing measurements are streamed, so the result of the first processing step is used as the input for the next step. The processing is also done before any other measurements.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

## close

niscope.Session.close()

When you are finished using an instrument driver session, you must call this method to perform the following actions:

- Closes the instrument I/O session.
- Destroys the IVI session and all of its properties.
- Deallocates any memory resources used by the IVI session.

Note: This method is not needed when using the session context manager

#### commit

niscope.Session.commit()

Commits to hardware all the parameter settings associated with the task. Use this method if you want a parameter change to be immediately reflected in the hardware. This method is not supported for Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy) devices.

### configure\_chan\_characteristics

#### niscope.Session.configure\_chan\_characteristics(input\_impedance,

*max\_input\_frequency*) Configures the properties that control the electrical characteristics of the channel—the input impedance and the bandwidth.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Parameters**

- **input\_impedance** (*float*) The input impedance for the channel; NI-SCOPE sets *niscope*.*Session.input\_impedance* to this value.
- max\_input\_frequency (float) The bandwidth for the channel; NI-SCOPE sets niscope.Session.max\_input\_frequency to this value. Pass 0 for this value to use the hardware default bandwidth. Pass -1 for this value to achieve full bandwidth.

#### configure\_equalization\_filter\_coefficients

niscope.Session.configure\_equalization\_filter\_coefficients (coefficients) Configures the custom coefficients for the equalization FIR filter on the device. This filter is designed to compensate the input signal for artifacts introduced to the signal outside of the digitizer. Because this filter is a generic FIR filter, any coefficients are valid. Coefficient values should be between +1 and -1.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

Parameters coefficients (list of float) The custom coefficients for the equalization FIR filter on the device. These coefficients You can obtain the number of coefshould be between +1 and -1. ficients :py:attr: 'niscope.Session.equalization\_num\_coefficients from the <cvi:py:attr:niscope.Session.equalization num coefficients.html>' :py:attr: 'niscope.Session.equalization\_filter\_enabled The property. <cvi:py:attr:niscope.Session.equalization\_filter\_enabled.html>'\_\_ property must be set to TRUE to enable the filter.

## configure\_horizontal\_timing

Configures the common properties of the horizontal subsystem for a multirecord acquisition in terms of minimum sample rate.

#### Parameters

- **min\_sample\_rate** (*float*) The sampling rate for the acquisition. Refer to *niscope.Session.min\_sample\_rate* for more information.
- min\_num\_pts(*int*) The minimum number of points you need in the record for each channel; call niscope.Session.ActualRecordLength() to obtain the actual record length used.

Valid Values: Greater than 1; limited by available memory

**Note:** One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

- **ref\_position** (*float*) The position of the Reference Event in the waveform record specified as a percentage.
- num\_records (int) The number of records to acquire
- **enforce\_realtime** (bool) Indicates whether the digitizer enforces real-time measurements or allows equivalent-time (RIS) measurements; not all digitizers support RIS—refer to Features Supported by Device for more information.

Default value: True

### **Defined Values**

True-Allow real-time acquisitions only

False—Allow real-time and equivalent-time acquisitions

## configure\_trigger\_digital

```
niscope.Session.configure_trigger_digital(trigger_source,
```

slope=niscope.TriggerSlope.POSITIVE, holdoff=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0), delay=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0))

Configures the common properties of a digital trigger.

When you initiate an acquisition, the digitizer waits for the start trigger, which is configured through the *niscope.Session.acq\_arm\_source* (Start Trigger Source) property. The default is immediate. Upon receiving the start trigger the digitizer begins sampling pretrigger points. After the digitizer finishes sampling pretrigger points, the digitizer waits for a reference (stop) trigger that you specify with a method such as this one. Upon receiving the reference trigger the digitizer finishes the acquisition after completing posttrigger sampling. With each Configure Trigger method, you specify configuration parameters such as the trigger source and the amount of trigger delay. **Note:** For multirecord acquisitions, all records after the first record are started by using the Advance Trigger Source. The default is immediate.

You can adjust the amount of pre-trigger and post-trigger samples using the reference position parameter on the *niscope.Session.configure\_horizontal\_timing()* method. The default is half of the record length.

Some features are not supported by all digitizers. Refer to Features Supported by Device for more information.

Digital triggering is not supported in RIS mode.

### **Parameters**

- trigger\_source (*str*) Specifies the trigger source. Refer to *niscope*. Session.trigger\_source for defined values.
- **slope** (*niscope.TriggerSlope*) Specifies whether you want a rising edge or a falling edge to trigger the digitizer. Refer to *niscope.Session.trigger\_slope* for more information.
- **holdoff** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The length of time the digitizer waits after detecting a trigger before enabling NI-SCOPE to detect another trigger. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_holdoff for more information.
- **delay** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) - How long the digitizer waits after receiving the trigger to start acquiring data. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_delay\_time for more information.

## configure\_trigger\_edge

niscope.Session.configure\_trigger\_edge (trigger\_source, level, trigger\_coupling, slope=niscope.TriggerSlope.POSITIVE, holdoff=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0), delay=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0))

Configures common properties for analog edge triggering.

When you initiate an acquisition, the digitizer waits for the start trigger, which is configured through the *niscope.Session.acq\_arm\_source* (Start Trigger Source) property. The default is immediate. Upon receiving the start trigger the digitizer begins sampling pretrigger points. After the digitizer finishes sampling pretrigger points, the digitizer waits for a reference (stop) trigger that you specify with a method such as this one. Upon receiving the reference trigger the digitizer finishes the acquisition after completing posttrigger sampling. With each Configure Trigger method, you specify configuration parameters such as the trigger source and the amount of trigger delay.

**Note:** Some features are not supported by all digitizers. Refer to Features Supported by Device for more information.

#### **Parameters**

• trigger\_source (*str*) - Specifies the trigger source. Refer to *niscope*. Session.trigger\_source for defined values.

- **level** (*float*) The voltage threshold for the trigger. Refer to *niscope*. *Session.trigger\_level* for more information.
- **trigger\_coupling** (*niscope.TriggerCoupling*) Applies coupling and filtering options to the trigger signal. Refer to *niscope.Session. trigger\_coupling* for more information.
- **slope** (*niscope.TriggerSlope*) Specifies whether you want a rising edge or a falling edge to trigger the digitizer. Refer to *niscope.Session.trigger\_slope* for more information.
- **holdoff** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The length of time the digitizer waits after detecting a trigger before enabling NI-SCOPE to detect another trigger. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_holdoff for more information.
- **delay** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) - How long the digitizer waits after receiving the trigger to start acquiring data. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_delay\_time for more information.

## configure\_trigger\_hysteresis

niscope.Session.configure\_trigger\_hysteresis (trigger\_source, level, hysteresis, trigger\_coupling, slope=niscope.TriggerSlope.POSITIVE, holdoff=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0), delay=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0))

Configures common properties for analog hysteresis triggering. This kind of trigger specifies an additional value, specified in the **hysteresis** parameter, that a signal must pass through before a trigger can occur. This additional value acts as a kind of buffer zone that keeps noise from triggering an acquisition.

When you initiate an acquisition, the digitizer waits for the start trigger, which is configured through the *niscope.Session.acq\_arm\_source*. The default is immediate. Upon receiving the start trigger the digitizer begins sampling pretrigger points. After the digitizer finishes sampling pretrigger points, the digitizer waits for a reference (stop) trigger that you specify with a method such as this one. Upon receiving the reference trigger the digitizer finishes the acquisition after completing posttrigger sampling. With each Configure Trigger method, you specify configuration parameters such as the trigger source and the amount of trigger delay.

**Note:** Some features are not supported by all digitizers. Refer to Features Supported by Device for more information.

### Parameters

- trigger\_source (*str*) Specifies the trigger source. Refer to *niscope*. Session.trigger\_source for defined values.
- **level** (*float*) The voltage threshold for the trigger. Refer to *niscope*. *Session.trigger\_level* for more information.
- **hysteresis** (*float*) The size of the hysteresis window on either side of the **level** in volts; the digitizer triggers when the trigger signal passes through

the hysteresis value you specify with this parameter, has the slope you specify with **slope**, and passes through the **level**. Refer to *niscope.Session*. *trigger\_hysteresis* for defined values.

- trigger\_coupling (niscope.TriggerCoupling) Applies coupling and filtering options to the trigger signal. Refer to niscope.Session. trigger\_coupling for more information.
- **slope** (*niscope.TriggerSlope*) Specifies whether you want a rising edge or a falling edge to trigger the digitizer. Refer to *niscope.Session.trigger\_slope* for more information.
- **holdoff** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The length of time the digitizer waits after detecting a trigger before enabling NI-SCOPE to detect another trigger. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_holdoff for more information.
- **delay** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) - How long the digitizer waits after receiving the trigger to start acquiring data. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_delay\_time for more information.

## configure\_trigger\_immediate

```
niscope.Session.configure_trigger_immediate()
```

Configures common properties for immediate triggering. Immediate triggering means the digitizer triggers itself.

When you initiate an acquisition, the digitizer waits for a trigger. You specify the type of trigger that the digitizer waits for with a Configure Trigger method, such as *niscope.Session*. *configure\_trigger\_immediate()*.

## configure\_trigger\_software

niscope.Session.configure\_trigger\_software(holdoff=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0),

de-

lay=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0))

Configures common properties for software triggering.

When you initiate an acquisition, the digitizer waits for the start trigger, which is configured through the *niscope.Session.acq\_arm\_source* (Start Trigger Source) property. The default is immediate. Upon receiving the start trigger the digitizer begins sampling pretrigger points. After the digitizer finishes sampling pretrigger points, the digitizer waits for a reference (stop) trigger that you specify with a method such as this one. Upon receiving the reference trigger the digitizer finishes the acquisition after completing posttrigger sampling. With each Configure Trigger method, you specify configuration parameters such as the trigger source and the amount of trigger delay.

To trigger the acquisition, use <code>niscope.Session.send\_software\_trigger\_edge()</code>.

**Note:** Some features are not supported by all digitizers. Refer to Features Supported by Device for more information.

Parameters

- **holdoff** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The length of time the digitizer waits after detecting a trigger before enabling NI-SCOPE to detect another trigger. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_holdoff for more information.
- **delay** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) - How long the digitizer waits after receiving the trigger to start acquiring data. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_delay\_time for more information.

## configure\_trigger\_video

niscope.Session.configure_trigger_video	(trigger_so	ource,	signal_format,
	event, p	polarity,	trigger_coupling,
	enable_dc	_restore=1	False,
	line_numb	per=1,	hold-
	off=highti	me.timedel	ta(seconds=0.0),
	delay=hig	htime.time	delta(seconds=0.0))
Configures the common properties for video triggerin	g. includin	g the signa	l format. TV event, lii

Configures the common properties for video triggering, including the signal format, TV event, line number, polarity, and enable DC restore. A video trigger occurs when the digitizer finds a valid video signal sync.

When you initiate an acquisition, the digitizer waits for the start trigger, which is configured through the *niscope.Session.acq\_arm\_source* (Start Trigger Source) property. The default is immediate. Upon receiving the start trigger the digitizer begins sampling pretrigger points. After the digitizer finishes sampling pretrigger points, the digitizer waits for a reference (stop) trigger that you specify with a method such as this one. Upon receiving the reference trigger the digitizer finishes the acquisition after completing posttrigger sampling. With each Configure Trigger method, you specify configuration parameters such as the trigger source and the amount of trigger delay.

**Note:** Some features are not supported by all digitizers. Refer to Features Supported by Device for more information.

### **Parameters**

- trigger\_source (*str*) Specifies the trigger source. Refer to *niscope*. Session.trigger\_source for defined values.
- **signal\_format** (*niscope.VideoSignalFormat*) Specifies the type of video signal sync the digitizer should look for. Refer to *niscope.Session.* tv\_trigger\_signal\_format for more information.
- **event** (*niscope.VideoTriggerEvent*) Specifies the TV event you want to trigger on. You can trigger on a specific or on the next coming line or field of the signal.
- **polarity** (*niscope*. *VideoPolarity*) Specifies the polarity of the video signal sync.
- trigger\_coupling (niscope.TriggerCoupling) Applies coupling and filtering options to the trigger signal. Refer to niscope.Session. trigger\_coupling for more information.
- **enable\_dc\_restore** (bool) Offsets each video line so the clamping level (the portion of the video line between the end of the color burst and the begin-

ning of the active image) is moved to zero volt. Refer to *niscope.Session*. *enable\_dc\_restore* for defined values.

• **line\_number** (*int*) – Selects the line number to trigger on. The line number range covers an entire frame and is referenced as shown on Vertical Blanking and Synchronization Signal. Refer to *niscope.Session*. tv\_trigger\_line\_number for more information.

Default value: 1

- **holdoff** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The length of time the digitizer waits after detecting a trigger before enabling NI-SCOPE to detect another trigger. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_holdoff for more information.
- **delay** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) - How long the digitizer waits after receiving the trigger to start acquiring data. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_delay\_time for more information.

## configure\_trigger\_window

<pre>niscope.Session.configure_trigger_window</pre>	ı (trigger_source,	low_level,
	high_level,	window_mode,
	trigger_coupling,	hold-
	off=hightime.timedel	lta(seconds=0.0),
	delay=hightime.time	edelta(seconds=0.0))
Configures common properties for analog window tr	riggering. A window	trigger occurs when a

Configures common properties for analog window triggering. A window trigger occurs when a signal enters or leaves a window you specify with the **high level** or **low level** parameters.

When you initiate an acquisition, the digitizer waits for the start trigger, which is configured through the *niscope.Session.acq\_arm\_source* (Start Trigger Source) property. The default is immediate. Upon receiving the start trigger the digitizer begins sampling pretrigger points. After the digitizer finishes sampling pretrigger points, the digitizer waits for a reference (stop) trigger that you specify with a method such as this one. Upon receiving the reference trigger the digitizer finishes the acquisition after completing posttrigger sampling. With each Configure Trigger method, you specify configuration parameters such as the trigger source and the amount of trigger delay.

To trigger the acquisition, use <code>niscope.Session.send\_software\_trigger\_edge()</code>.

Note: Some features are not supported by all digitizers.

### Parameters

- trigger\_source (*str*) Specifies the trigger source. Refer to *niscope*. Session.trigger\_source for defined values.
- **low\_level** (*float*) Passes the voltage threshold you want the digitizer to use for low triggering.
- high\_level (float) Passes the voltage threshold you want the digitizer to use for high triggering.
- window\_mode (*niscope*.*TriggerWindowMode*) Specifies whether you want the trigger to occur when the signal enters or leaves a window.

- trigger\_coupling (niscope.TriggerCoupling) Applies coupling and filtering options to the trigger signal. Refer to niscope.Session. trigger\_coupling for more information.
- **holdoff** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The length of time the digitizer waits after detecting a trigger before enabling NI-SCOPE to detect another trigger. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_holdoff for more information.
- **delay** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) - How long the digitizer waits after receiving the trigger to start acquiring data. Refer to niscope.Session.trigger\_delay\_time for more information.

## configure\_vertical

niscope.Session.configure\_vertical (range, coupling, offset=0.0, probe\_attenuation=1.0, enabled=True) Configures the most commonly configured properties of the digitizer vertical subsystem, such as the range, offset, coupling, probe attenuation, and the channel.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### **Parameters**

- **range** (float) Specifies the vertical range Refer to *niscope.Session*. *vertical\_range* for more information.
- **coupling** (*niscope*. *VerticalCoupling*) Specifies how to couple the input signal. Refer to *niscope*. *Session*. *vertical\_coupling* for more information.
- **offset** (float) Specifies the vertical offset. Refer to *niscope*. Session. vertical\_offset for more information.
- **probe\_attenuation** (*float*) Specifies the probe attenuation. Refer to *niscope.Session.probe\_attenuation* for valid values.
- **enabled** (*bool*) Specifies whether the channel is enabled for acquisition. Refer to *niscope.Session.channel\_enabled* for more information.

#### disable

niscope.Session.disable()

Aborts any current operation, opens data channel relays, and releases RTSI and PFI lines.

### export\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer

```
niscope.Session.export_attribute_configuration_buffer()
Exports the property configuration of the session to a configuration buffer.
```

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers, channel counts, and onboard memory sizes.

This method verifies that the properties you have configured for the session are valid. If the configuration is invalid, NI-SCOPE returns an error.

### **Related Topics:**

Properties and Property Methods

Setting Properties Before Reading Properties

Return type bytes

**Returns** Specifies the byte array buffer to be populated with the exported property configuration.

### export\_attribute\_configuration\_file

```
niscope.Session.export_attribute_configuration_file (file_path)
Exports the property configuration of the session to the specified file.
```

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers, channel counts, and onboard memory sizes.

This method verifies that the properties you have configured for the session are valid. If the configuration is invalid, NI-SCOPE returns an error.

#### **Related Topics:**

Properties and Property Methods

Setting Properties Before Reading Properties

**Parameters file\_path** (*str*) – Specifies the absolute path to the file to contain the exported property configuration. If you specify an empty or relative path, this method returns an error. **Default file extension:** .niscopeconfig

## fetch

*out=hightime.timedelta(seconds=5.0)*)

Returns the waveform from a previously initiated acquisition that the digitizer acquires for the specified channel. This method returns scaled voltage waveforms.

This method may return multiple waveforms depending on the number of channels, the acquisition type, and the number of records you specify.

Note: Some functionality, such as time stamping, is not supported in all digitizers.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Parameters**

- **num\_samples** (*int*) The maximum number of samples to fetch for each waveform. If the acquisition finishes with fewer points than requested, some devices return partial data if the acquisition finished, was aborted, or a timeout of 0 was used. If it fails to complete within the timeout period, the method raises.
- **relative\_to** (*niscope.FetchRelativeTo*) Position to start fetching within one record.
- **offset** (*int*) Offset in samples to start fetching data within each record. The offset can be positive or negative.
- **record\_number** (*int*) Zero-based index of the first record to fetch.
- **num\_records** (*int*) Number of records to fetch. Use -1 to fetch all configured records.
- **timeout** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The time to wait for data to be acquired; using 0 for this parameter tells NI-SCOPE to fetch whatever is currently available. Using -1 seconds for this parameter implies infinite timeout.

#### Return type list of WaveformInfo

### Returns

Returns a list of class instances with the following timing and scaling information about each waveform:

- **relative\_initial\_x** (float) the time (in seconds) from the trigger to the first sample in the fetched waveform
- **absolute\_initial\_x** (float) timestamp (in seconds) of the first fetched sample. This timestamp is comparable between records and acquisitions; devices that do not support this parameter use 0 for this output.
- x\_increment (float) the time between points in the acquired waveform in seconds
- channel (str) channel name this waveform was acquired from
- record (int) record number of this waveform
- **gain** (float) the gain factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

$$voltage = binarydata * gain factor + offset$$

• **offset** (float) the offset factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

voltage = binary data \* gain factor + offset

• **samples** (array of float) floating point array of samples. Length will be of the actual samples acquired

### fetch\_array\_measurement

```
niscope.Session.fetch_array_measurement(array_meas_function,
```

meas\_wfm\_size=None, relative\_to=niscope.FetchRelativeTo.PRETRIGGER, offset=0, record\_number=0, num\_records=None, meas\_num\_samples=None, timeout=hightime.timedelta(seconds=5.0))

Obtains a waveform from the digitizer and returns the specified measurement array. This method may return multiple waveforms depending on the number of channels, the acquisition type, and the number of records you specify.

Note: Some functionality, such as time stamping, is not supported in all digitizers.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### **Parameters**

- array\_meas\_function (*niscope.ArrayMeasurement*) The array measurement to perform.
- **meas\_wfm\_size** (*int*) The maximum number of samples returned in the measurement waveform array for each waveform measurement. Default Value: None (returns all available samples).
- **relative\_to** (*niscope.FetchRelativeTo*) Position to start fetching within one record.
- **offset** (*int*) Offset in samples to start fetching data within each record. The offset can be positive or negative.
- **record\_number** (*int*) Zero-based index of the first record to fetch.
- **num\_records** (*int*) Number of records to fetch. Use *None* to fetch all configured records.
- **meas\_num\_samples** (*int*) Number of samples to fetch when performing a measurement. Use *None* to fetch the actual record length.
- **timeout** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The time to wait in seconds for data to be acquired; using 0 for this parameter tells NI-SCOPE to fetch whatever is currently available. Using -1 for this parameter implies infinite timeout.

Return type list of WaveformInfo

#### Returns

Returns a list of class instances with the following timing and scaling information about each waveform:

• **relativeInitialX**—the time (in seconds) from the trigger to the first sample in the fetched waveform

- **absoluteInitialX**—timestamp (in seconds) of the first fetched sample. This timestamp is comparable between records and acquisitions; devices that do not support this parameter use 0 for this output.
- xIncrement—the time between points in the acquired waveform in seconds
- channel-channel name this waveform was acquired from
- record-record number of this waveform
- **gain**—the gain factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

voltage = binary data  $\times$  gain factor + offset

• **offset**—the offset factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

voltage = binary data  $\times$  gain factor + offset

• samples-floating point array of samples. Length will be of actual samples acquired.

## fetch\_into

Returns the waveform from a previously initiated acquisition that the digitizer acquires for the specified channel. This method returns scaled voltage waveforms.

This method may return multiple waveforms depending on the number of channels, the acquisition type, and the number of records you specify.

Note: Some functionality, such as time stamping, is not supported in all digitizers.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### **Parameters**

• waveform (*array.array("d")*) – numpy array of the appropriate type and size that should be acquired as a 1D array. Size should be num\_samples times number of waveforms. Call niscope.Session.\_actual\_num\_wfms() to determine the number of waveforms.

Types supported are

- numpy.float64
- numpy.int8
- numpy.in16
- numpy.int32

Example:

- **relative\_to** (*niscope.FetchRelativeTo*) Position to start fetching within one record.
- **offset** (*int*) Offset in samples to start fetching data within each record. The offset can be positive or negative.
- record\_number (int) Zero-based index of the first record to fetch.
- **num\_records** (*int*) Number of records to fetch. Use -1 to fetch all configured records.
- timeout (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The time to wait in seconds for data to be acquired; using 0 for this parameter tells NI-SCOPE to fetch whatever is currently available. Using -1 for this parameter implies infinite timeout.

#### Return type list of WaveformInfo

### Returns

Returns a list of class instances with the following timing and scaling information about each waveform:

- **relative\_initial\_x** (float) the time (in seconds) from the trigger to the first sample in the fetched waveform
- **absolute\_initial\_x** (float) timestamp (in seconds) of the first fetched sample. This timestamp is comparable between records and acquisitions; devices that do not support this parameter use 0 for this output.
- x\_increment (float) the time between points in the acquired waveform in seconds
- channel (str) channel name this waveform was acquired from
- record (int) record number of this waveform
- **gain** (float) the gain factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

voltage = binarydata \* gain factor + offset

• **offset** (float) the offset factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

voltage = binarydata \* gain factor + offset

• **samples** (array of float) floating point array of samples. Length will be of the actual samples acquired

#### fetch\_measurement\_stats

niscope.Session.fetch\_measurement\_stats(scalar\_meas\_function, relative\_to=niscope.FetchRelativeTo.PRETRIGGER, offset=0, record\_number=0, num\_records=None, timeout=hightime.timedelta(seconds=5.0)) Obtains a waveform measurement and returns the measurement value. This method may return

Obtains a waveform measurement and returns the measurement value. This method may return multiple statistical results depending on the number of channels, the acquisition type, and the number of records you specify.

You specify a particular measurement type, such as rise time, frequency, or voltage peak-to-peak. The waveform on which the digitizer calculates the waveform measurement is from an acquisition that you previously initiated. The statistics for the specified measurement method are returned, where the statistics are updated once every acquisition when the specified measurement is fetched by any of the Fetch Measurement methods. If a Fetch Measurement method has not been called, this method fetches the data on which to perform the measurement. The statistics are cleared by calling <code>niscope.Session.clear\_waveform\_measurement\_stats()</code>.

Many of the measurements use the low, mid, and high reference levels. You configure the low, mid, and high references with <code>niscope.Session.meas\_chan\_low\_ref\_level</code>, <code>niscope.Session.meas\_chan\_mid\_ref\_level</code>, and <code>niscope.Session.meas\_chan\_high\_ref\_level</code> to set each channel differently.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Parameters**

- **scalar\_meas\_function** (*niscope.ScalarMeasurement*) The scalar measurement to be performed on each fetched waveform.
- **relative\_to** (*niscope.FetchRelativeTo*) Position to start fetching within one record.
- **offset** (*int*) Offset in samples to start fetching data within each record. The offset can be positive or negative.
- **record\_number** (*int*) Zero-based index of the first record to fetch.
- **num\_records** (*int*) Number of records to fetch. Use *None* to fetch all configured records.
- **timeout** (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The time to wait in seconds for data to be acquired; using 0 for this parameter tells NI-SCOPE to fetch whatever is currently available. Using -1 for this parameter implies infinite timeout.

#### **Return type** list of MeasurementStats

#### Returns

Returns a list of class instances with the following measurement statistics about the specified measurement:

• result (float): the resulting measurement

• mean (float): the mean scalar value, which is obtained by

averaging each fetch\_measurement\_stats call - **stdev** (float): the standard deviations of the most recent **numInStats** measurements - **min\_val** (float): the smallest scalar value acquired (the minimum of the **numInStats** measurements) - **max\_val** (float): the largest scalar value acquired (the maximum of the **numInStats** measurements) - **num\_in\_stats** (int): the number of times fetch\_measurement\_stats has been called - **channel** (str): channel name this result was acquired from - **record** (int): record number of this result

### get\_equalization\_filter\_coefficients

```
niscope.Session.get_equalization_filter_coefficients()
```

Retrieves the custom coefficients for the equalization FIR filter on the device. This filter is designed to compensate the input signal for artifacts introduced to the signal outside of the digitizer. Because this filter is a generic FIR filter, any coefficients are valid. Coefficient values should be between +1 and -1.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

### get\_ext\_cal\_last\_date\_and\_time

niscope.Session.get\_ext\_cal\_last\_date\_and\_time() Returns the date and time of the last external calibration performed.

Return type hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds

**Returns** Indicates the **date** of the last calibration. A hightime.datetime object is returned, but only contains resolution to the day.

## get\_ext\_cal\_last\_temp

#### niscope.Session.get\_ext\_cal\_last\_temp()

Returns the onboard temperature, in degrees Celsius, of an oscilloscope at the time of the last successful external calibration. The temperature returned by this node is an onboard temperature read from a sensor on the surface of the oscilloscope. This temperature should not be confused with the environmental temperature of the oscilloscope surroundings. During operation, the onboard temperature is normally higher than the environmental temperature. Temperature-sensitive parameters are calibrated during self-calibration. Therefore, the self-calibration temperature is usually more important to read than the external calibration temperature.

Return type float

Returns Returns the temperature in degrees Celsius during the last calibration.

### get\_self\_cal\_last\_date\_and\_time

niscope.Session.get\_self\_cal\_last\_date\_and\_time()

Returns the date and time of the last self calibration performed.

Return type hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds

**Returns** Indicates the **date** of the last calibration. A hightime.datetime object is returned, but only contains resolution to the day.

## get\_self\_cal\_last\_temp

niscope.Session.get\_self\_cal\_last\_temp()

Returns the onboard temperature, in degrees Celsius, of an oscilloscope at the time of the last successful self calibration. The temperature returned by this node is an onboard temperature read from a sensor on the surface of the oscilloscope. This temperature should not be confused with the environmental temperature of the oscilloscope surroundings. During operation, the onboard temperature is normally higher than the environmental temperature. Temperature-sensitive parameters are calibrated during self-calibration. Therefore, the self-calibration temperature is usually more important to read than the external calibration temperature.

Return type float

Returns Returns the temperature in degrees Celsius during the last calibration.

#### import\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer

niscope.Session.import\_attribute\_configuration\_buffer (*configuration*) Imports a property configuration to the session from the specified configuration buffer.

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers, channel counts, and onboard memory sizes.

#### **Related Topics:**

Properties and Property Methods

Setting Properties Before Reading Properties

**Note:** You cannot call this method while the session is in a running state, such as while acquiring a signal.

**Parameters configuration** (*bytes*) – Specifies the byte array buffer that contains the property configuration to import.

### import\_attribute\_configuration\_file

niscope.Session.import\_attribute\_configuration\_file (file\_path)
Imports a property configuration to the session from the specified file.

You can export and import session property configurations only between devices with identical model numbers, channel counts, and onboard memory sizes.

### **Related Topics:**

Properties and Property Methods

Setting Properties Before Reading Properties

**Note:** You cannot call this method while the session is in a running state, such as while acquiring a signal.

**Parameters file\_path** (*str*) – Specifies the absolute path to the file containing the property configuration to import. If you specify an empty or relative path, this method returns an error. **Default File Extension:** .niscopeconfig

## initiate

```
niscope.Session.initiate()
```

Initiates a waveform acquisition.

After calling this method, the digitizer leaves the Idle state and waits for a trigger. The digitizer acquires a waveform for each channel you enable with *niscope.Session*. *configure\_vertical()*.

**Note:** This method will return a Python context manager that will initiate on entering and abort on exit.

## lock

niscope.Session.lock()

Obtains a multithread lock on the device session. Before doing so, the software waits until all other execution threads release their locks on the device session.

Other threads may have obtained a lock on this session for the following reasons:

- The application called the *niscope*.Session.lock() method.
- A call to NI-SCOPE locked the session.
- After a call to the *niscope.Session.lock()* method returns successfully, no other threads can access the device session until you call the *niscope.Session.unlock()* method or exit out of the with block when using lock context manager.
- Use the *niscope.Session.lock()* method and the *niscope.Session.unlock()* method around a sequence of calls to instrument driver methods if you require that the device retain its settings through the end of the sequence.

You can safely make nested calls to the *niscope.Session.lock()* method within the same thread. To completely unlock the session, you must balance each call to the *niscope.Session.lock()* method with a call to the *niscope.Session.unlock()* method.

One method for ensuring there are the same number of unlock method calls as there is lock calls is to use lock as a context manager

```
with niscope.Session('dev1') as session:
    with session.lock():
        # Calls to session within a single lock context
```

The first with block ensures the session is closed regardless of any exceptions raised

The second with block ensures that unlock is called regardless of any exceptions raised

Return type context manager

**Returns** When used in a *with* statement, *niscope.Session.lock()* acts as a context manager and unlock will be called when the *with* block is exited

### probe\_compensation\_signal\_start

niscope.Session.probe\_compensation\_signal\_start()
Starts the 1 kHz square wave output on PFI 1 for probe compensation.

#### probe\_compensation\_signal\_stop

niscope.Session.probe\_compensation\_signal\_stop()
Stops the 1 kHz square wave output on PFI 1 for probe compensation.

### read

Initiates an acquisition, waits for it to complete, and retrieves the data. The process is similar to calling niscope.Session.\_initiate\_acquisition(), niscope.Session. acquisition\_status(), and niscope.Session.fetch(). The only difference is that with niscope.Session.read(), you enable all channels specified with channelList before the acquisition; in the other method, you enable the channels with niscope.Session. configure\_vertical().

This method may return multiple waveforms depending on the number of channels, the acquisition type, and the number of records you specify.

Note: Some functionality, such as time stamping, is not supported in all digitizers.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

#### **Parameters**

- **num\_samples** (*int*) The maximum number of samples to fetch for each waveform. If the acquisition finishes with fewer points than requested, some devices return partial data if the acquisition finished, was aborted, or a timeout of 0 was used. If it fails to complete within the timeout period, the method raises.
- **relative\_to** (*niscope.FetchRelativeTo*) Position to start fetching within one record.

- **offset** (*int*) Offset in samples to start fetching data within each record. The offset can be positive or negative.
- **record\_number** (*int*) Zero-based index of the first record to fetch.
- **num\_records** (*int*) Number of records to fetch. Use -1 to fetch all configured records.
- timeout (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The time to wait for data to be acquired; using 0 for this parameter tells NI-SCOPE to fetch whatever is currently available. Using -1 seconds for this parameter implies infinite timeout.

#### Return type list of WaveformInfo

### Returns

Returns a list of class instances with the following timing and scaling information about each waveform:

- **relative\_initial\_x** (float) the time (in seconds) from the trigger to the first sample in the fetched waveform
- **absolute\_initial\_x** (float) timestamp (in seconds) of the first fetched sample. This timestamp is comparable between records and acquisitions; devices that do not support this parameter use 0 for this output.
- x\_increment (float) the time between points in the acquired waveform in seconds
- channel (str) channel name this waveform was acquired from
- record (int) record number of this waveform
- **gain** (float) the gain factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

voltage = binarydata \* gain factor + offset

• **offset** (float) the offset factor of the given channel; useful for scaling binary data with the following formula:

```
voltage = binarydata * gain factor + offset
```

• **samples** (array of float) floating point array of samples. Length will be of the actual samples acquired

### reset

```
niscope.Session.reset()
```

Stops the acquisition, releases routes, and all session properties are reset to their default states.

### reset\_device

#### niscope.Session.reset\_device()

Performs a hard reset of the device. Acquisition stops, all routes are released, RTSI and PFI lines are tristated, hardware is configured to its default state, and all session properties are reset to their default state.

• Thermal Shutdown

## reset\_with\_defaults

```
niscope.Session.reset_with_defaults()
```

Performs a software reset of the device, returning it to the default state and applying any initial default settings from the IVI Configuration Store.

### self\_cal

niscope.Session.**self\_cal** (*option=niscope.Option.SELF\_CALIBRATE\_ALL\_CHANNELS*) Self-calibrates most NI digitizers, including all SMC-based devices and most Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy) devices. To verify that your digitizer supports self-calibration, refer to Features Supported by Device.

For SMC-based digitizers, if the self-calibration is performed successfully in a regular session, the calibration constants are immediately stored in the self-calibration area of the EEPROM. If the self-calibration is performed in an external calibration session, the calibration constants take effect immediately for the duration of the session. However, they are not stored in the EEPROM until <code>niscope.Session.CalEnd()</code> is called with action set to <code>NISCOPE\_VAL\_ACTION\_STORE</code> and no errors occur.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

**Tip:** This method requires repeated capabilities. If called directly on the niscope.Session object, then the method will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling this method on the result.

Parameters option (niscope.Option) – The calibration option. Use VI\_NULL for a normal self-calibration operation or NISCOPE\_VAL\_CAL\_RESTORE\_EXTERNAL\_CALIBRATION to restore the previous calibration.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

### self\_test

niscope.Session.self\_test()

Runs the instrument self-test routine and returns the test result(s). Refer to the device-specific help topics for an explanation of the message contents.

Raises SelfTestError on self test failure. Properties on exception object:

- code failure code from driver
- · message status message from driver

Self-Test Code	Description
0	Passed self-test
1	Self-test failed

#### send\_software\_trigger\_edge

niscope.Session.send\_software\_trigger\_edge(which\_trigger)

Sends the selected trigger to the digitizer. Call this method if you called *niscope.Session*. *configure\_trigger\_software()* when you want the Reference trigger to occur. You can also call this method to override a misused edge, digital, or hysteresis trigger. If you have configured *niscope.Session.acq\_arm\_source*, *niscope.Session.arm\_ref\_trig\_src*, or *niscope.Session.adv\_trig\_src*, call this method when you want to send the corresponding trigger to the digitizer.

**Parameters which\_trigger** (*niscope.WhichTrigger*) – Specifies the type of trigger to send to the digitizer.

### **Defined Values**

```
START (0L)
ARM_REFERENCE (1L)
REFERENCE (2L)
ADVANCE (3L)
```

## unlock

niscope.Session.unlock()

Releases a lock that you acquired on an device session using *niscope.Session.lock()*. Refer to *niscope.Session.unlock()* for additional information on session locks.

### **Properties**

# absolute\_sample\_clock\_offset

```
niscope.Session.absolute_sample_clock_offset
```

Gets or sets the absolute time offset of the sample clock relative to the reference clock in terms of seconds.

**Note:** Configures the sample clock relationship with respect to the reference clock. This parameter is factored into NI-TClk adjustments and is typically used to improve the repeatability of NI-TClk Synchronization. When this parameter is read, the currently programmed value is returned. The range of the absolute sample clock offset is [-.5 sample clock periods, .5 sample clock periods]. The default absolute sample clock offset is 0s.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocking:Advanced:Absolute Sample Clock Offset
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ABSOLUTE\_SAMPLE\_CLOCK\_OFFSET

## acquisition\_start\_time

#### niscope.Session.acquisition\_start\_time

Specifies the length of time from the trigger event to the first point in the waveform record in seconds. If the value is positive, the first point in the waveform record occurs after the trigger event (same as specifying *niscope.Session.trigger\_delay\_time*). If the value is negative, the first point in the waveform record occurs before the trigger event (same as specifying *niscope.Session.horz\_record\_ref\_position*).

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Advanced:Acquisition Start Time
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ACQUISITION\_START\_TIME

## acquisition\_type

niscope.Session.acquisition\_type
 Specifies how the digitizer acquires data and fills the waveform record.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.AcquisitionType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Acquisition: Acquisition Type
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ACQUISITION\_TYPE

### acq\_arm\_source

#### niscope.Session.acg\_arm\_source

Specifies the source the digitizer monitors for a start (acquisition arm) trigger. When the start trigger is received, the digitizer begins acquiring pretrigger samples. Valid Values: NISCOPE\_VAL\_IMMEDIATE ('VAL\_IMMEDIATE') - Triggers immediately NISCOPE\_VAL\_RTSI\_0 ('VAL\_RTSI\_0') - RTSI 0 NISCOPE\_VAL\_RTSI\_1 ('VAL\_RTSI\_1') - RTSI 1 NISCOPE\_VAL\_RTSI\_2 ('VAL\_RTSI\_2') - RTSI 2 NISCOPE\_VAL\_RTSI\_3 ('VAL\_RTSI\_3') - RTSI 3 NISCOPE\_VAL\_RTSI\_4 ('VAL\_RTSI\_4') - RTSI 4 NISCOPE\_VAL\_RTSI\_5 ('VAL\_RTSI\_5') - RTSI 5 NISCOPE\_VAL\_RTSI\_6 ('VAL\_RTSI\_6') - RTSI 6 NISCOPE\_VAL\_PFI\_0 ('VAL\_PFI\_0') - PFI 0 NISCOPE\_VAL\_PFI\_1 ('VAL\_PFI\_1') - PFI 1 NISCOPE\_VAL\_PFI\_2 ('VAL\_PFI\_2') - PFI 2 NISCOPE\_VAL\_PXI\_STAR ('VAL\_PXI\_STAR') - PXI Star Trigger

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Start Trigger (Acq. Arm):Source
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ACQ\_ARM\_SOURCE

## advance\_trigger\_terminal\_name

#### niscope.Session.advance\_trigger\_terminal\_name

Returns the fully qualified name for the Advance Trigger terminal. You can use this terminal as the source for another trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Advance Trigger:Terminal Name
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ADVANCE\_TRIGGER\_TERMINAL\_NAME

# adv\_trig\_src

niscope.Session.adv\_trig\_src

Specifies the source the digitizer monitors for an advance trigger. When the advance trigger is received, the digitizer begins acquiring pretrigger samples.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization: Advance Trigger: Source
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ADV\_TRIG\_SRC

### allow\_more\_records\_than\_memory

niscope.Session.allow\_more\_records\_than\_memory

Indicates whether more records can be configured with *niscope.Session*. *configure\_horizontal\_timing()* than fit in the onboard memory. If this property is set to True, it is necessary to fetch records while the acquisition is in progress. Eventually, some of the records will be overwritten. An error is returned from the fetch method if you attempt to fetch a record that has been overwritten.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: **Horizontal:Enable Records > Memory**
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ALLOW\_MORE\_RECORDS\_THAN\_MEMORY

### arm\_ref\_trig\_src

### niscope.Session.arm\_ref\_trig\_src

Specifies the source the digitizer monitors for an arm reference trigger. When the arm reference trigger is received, the digitizer begins looking for a reference (stop) trigger from the user-configured trigger source.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Arm Reference Trigger:Source
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ARM\_REF\_TRIG\_SRC

## backlog

niscope.Session.backlog

Returns the number of samples (*niscope.Session.points\_done*) that have been acquired but not fetched for the record specified by niscope.Session.fetch\_record\_number.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Fetch:Fetch Backlog
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_BACKLOG

### bandpass\_filter\_enabled

#### niscope.Session.bandpass\_filter\_enabled

Enables the bandpass filter on the specificed channel. The default value is FALSE.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical:Advanced:Bandpass Filter Enabled
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_BANDPASS\_FILTER\_ENABLED

#### binary\_sample\_width

Indicates the bit width of the binary data in the acquired waveform. Useful for determining which Binary Fetch method to use. Compare to *niscope.Session.resolution*. To configure the device to store samples with a lower resolution that the native, set this property to the desired binary width. This can be useful for streaming at faster speeds at the cost of resolution. The least significant bits will be lost with this configuration. Valid Values: 8, 16, 32

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Acquisition:Binary Sample Width

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# • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_BINARY\_SAMPLE\_WIDTH

### cable\_sense\_mode

### niscope.Session.cable\_sense\_mode

Specifies whether and how the oscilloscope is configured to generate a CableSense signal on the specified channels when the niscope.Session.CableSenseSignalStart() method is called.

## **Device-Specific Behavior:**

### PXIe-5160/5162

- The value of this property must be identical across all channels whose input impedance is set to 50 ohms.
- If this property is set to a value other than *DISABLED* for any channel(s), the input impedance of all channels for which this property is set to *DISABLED* must be set to 1 M Ohm.

Supported Devices
PXIe-5110
PXIe-5111
PXIe-5113
PXIe-5160
PXIe-5162

**Note:** the input impedance of the channel(s) to convey the CableSense signal must be set to 50 ohms.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.CableSenseMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_CABLE\_SENSE\_MODE

### cable\_sense\_signal\_enable

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The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_CABLE\_SENSE\_SIGNAL\_ENABLE

### cable\_sense\_voltage

## niscope.Session.cable\_sense\_voltage

Returns the voltage of the CableSense signal that is written to the EEPROM of the oscilloscope during factory calibration.

Supported Devices
PXIe-5110
PXIe-5111
PXIe-5113
PXIe-5160
PXIe-5162

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

#### • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_CABLE\_SENSE\_VOLTAGE

## channel\_count

### niscope.Session.channel\_count

Indicates the number of channels that the specific instrument driver supports. For channel-based properties, the IVI engine maintains a separate cache value for each channel.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Capabilities:Channel Count
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_CHANNEL\_COUNT

## channel\_enabled

### niscope.Session.channel\_enabled

Specifies whether the digitizer acquires a waveform for the channel. Valid Values: True (1) - Acquire data on this channel False (0) - Don't acquire data on this channel

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical:Channel Enabled
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_CHANNEL\_ENABLED

# channel\_terminal\_configuration

niscope.Session.channel\_terminal\_configuration
 Specifies the terminal configuration for the channel.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated

capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TerminalConfiguration
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical:Channel Terminal Configuration
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_CHANNEL\_TERMINAL\_CONFIGURATION

### data\_transfer\_block\_size

niscope.Session.data\_transfer\_block\_size

Specifies the maximum number of samples to transfer at one time from the device to host memory. Increasing this number should result in better fetching performance because the driver does not need to restart the transfers as often. However, increasing this number may also increase the amount of page-locked memory required from the system.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Fetch:Data Transfer Block Size
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_DATA\_TRANSFER\_BLOCK\_SIZE

## data\_transfer\_maximum\_bandwidth

niscope.Session.data\_transfer\_maximum\_bandwidth

This property specifies the maximum bandwidth that the device is allowed to consume.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Fetch:Advanced:Maximum Bandwidth
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_DATA\_TRANSFER\_MAXIMUM\_BANDWIDTH

## data\_transfer\_preferred\_packet\_size

### niscope.Session.data\_transfer\_preferred\_packet\_size

This property specifies the size of (read requestlmemory write) data payload. Due to alignment of the data buffers, the hardware may not always generate a packet of this size.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Fetch:Advanced:Preferred Packet Size
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_DATA\_TRANSFER\_PREFERRED\_PACKET\_SIZE

## device\_temperature

### niscope.Session.device\_temperature

Returns the temperature of the device in degrees Celsius from the onboard sensor.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Device:Temperature
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_DEVICE\_TEMPERATURE

## enabled\_channels

#### niscope.Session.enabled\_channels

Returns a comma-separated list of the channels enabled for the session in ascending order.

If no channels are enabled, this property returns an empty string, "". If all channels are enabled, this property enumerates all of the channels.

Because this property returns channels in ascending order, but the order in which you specify channels for the input is important, the value of this property may not necessarily reflect the order in which NI-SCOPE performs certain actions.

Refer to Channel String Syntax in the NI High-Speed Digitizers Help for more information on the effects of channel order in NI-SCOPE.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ENABLED\_CHANNELS

# enable\_dc\_restore

niscope.Session.enable\_dc\_restore

Restores the video-triggered data retrieved by the digitizer to the video signal's zero reference point. Valid Values: True - Enable DC restore False - Disable DC restore

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Video:Enable DC Restore
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ENABLE\_DC\_RESTORE

### enable\_time\_interleaved\_sampling

#### niscope.Session.enable\_time\_interleaved\_sampling

Specifies whether the digitizer acquires the waveform using multiple ADCs for the channel enabling a higher maximum real-time sampling rate. Valid Values: True (1) - Use multiple interleaved ADCs on this channel False (0) - Use only this channel's ADC to acquire data for this channel

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Enable Time Interleaved Sampling
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ENABLE\_TIME\_INTERLEAVED\_SAMPLING

### end\_of\_acquisition\_event\_output\_terminal

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niscope.Session.end_of_acquisition_event_output_terminal
```

Specifies the destination for the End of Acquisition Event. When this event is asserted, the digitizer has completed sampling for all records. Consult your device documentation for a specific list of valid destinations.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:End of Acquisition:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_END\_OF\_ACQUISITION\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

### end\_of\_acquisition\_event\_terminal\_name

#### niscope.Session.end\_of\_acquisition\_event\_terminal\_name

Returns the fully qualified name for the End of Acquisition Event terminal. You can use this terminal as the source for a trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:End of Acquisition:Terminal Name
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_END\_OF\_ACQUISITION\_EVENT\_TERMINAL\_NAME

### end\_of\_record\_event\_output\_terminal

#### niscope.Session.end\_of\_record\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination for the End of Record Event. When this event is asserted, the digitizer has completed sampling for the current record. Consult your device documentation for a specific list of valid destinations.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:End of Record:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_END\_OF\_RECORD\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## end\_of\_record\_event\_terminal\_name

### niscope.Session.end\_of\_record\_event\_terminal\_name

Returns the fully qualified name for the End of Record Event terminal. You can use this terminal as the source for a trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:End of Record:Terminal Name
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_END\_OF\_RECORD\_EVENT\_TERMINAL\_NAME

## end\_of\_record\_to\_advance\_trigger\_holdoff

### niscope.Session.end\_of\_record\_to\_advance\_trigger\_holdoff

End of Record to Advance Trigger Holdoff is the length of time (in seconds) that a device waits between the completion of one record and the acquisition of pre-trigger samples for the next record. During this time, the acquisition engine state delays the transition to the Wait for Advance Trigger state, and will not store samples in onboard memory, accept an Advance Trigger, or trigger on the input signal.. **Supported Devices**: NI 5185/5186

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:End of Record to Advance Trigger Holdoff
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_END\_OF\_RECORD\_TO\_ADVANCE\_TRIGGER\_HOLDOFF

## equalization\_filter\_enabled

niscope.Session.equalization\_filter\_enabled

Enables the onboard signal processing FIR block. This block is connected directly to the input signal. This filter is designed to compensate the input signal for artifacts introduced to the signal outside of the digitizer. However, since this is a generic FIR filter any coefficients are valid. Coefficients should be between +1 and -1 in value.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Onboard Signal Processing: Equalization: Equalization Filter Enabled
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_EQUALIZATION\_FILTER\_ENABLED

### equalization\_num\_coefficients

niscope.Session.equalization\_num\_coefficients

Returns the number of coefficients that the FIR filter can accept. This filter is designed to compensate the input signal for artifacts introduced to the signal outside of the digitizer. However, since this is a generic FIR filter any coefficients are valid. Coefficients should be between +1 and -1 in value.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Onboard Signal Processing:Equalization:Equalization Num Coefficients
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_EQUALIZATION\_NUM\_COEFFICIENTS

## exported\_advance\_trigger\_output\_terminal

niscope.Session.exported\_advance\_trigger\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination to export the advance trigger. When the advance trigger is received, the digitizer begins acquiring samples for the Nth record. Consult your device documentation for a specific list of valid destinations.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Advance Trigger:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_ADVANCE\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## exported\_ref\_trigger\_output\_terminal

#### niscope.Session.exported\_ref\_trigger\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination export for the reference (stop) trigger. Consult your device documentation for a specific list of valid destinations.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering: Trigger Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_REF\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## exported\_start\_trigger\_output\_terminal

niscope.Session.exported\_start\_trigger\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination to export the Start trigger. When the start trigger is received, the digitizer begins acquiring samples. Consult your device documentation for a specific list of valid destinations.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Start Trigger (Acq. Arm):Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_START\_TRIGGER\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

### flex\_fir\_antialias\_filter\_type

niscope.Session.flex\_fir\_antialias\_filter\_type

The NI 5922 flexible-resolution digitizer uses an onboard FIR lowpass antialias filter. Use this property to select from several types of filters to achieve desired filtering characteristics.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.FlexFIRAntialiasFilterType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical:Advanced:Flex FIR Antialias Filter Type
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_FLEX\_FIR\_ANTIALIAS\_FILTER\_TYPE

## fpga\_bitfile\_path

```
niscope.Session.fpga_bitfile_path
```

Gets the absolute file path to the bitfile loaded on the FPGA.

Note: Gets the absolute file path to the bitfile loaded on the FPGA.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Device:FPGA Bitfile Path
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_FPGA\_BITFILE\_PATH

## glitch\_condition

### niscope.Session.glitch\_condition

Specifies whether the oscilloscope triggers on pulses of duration less than or greater than the value specified by the *niscope.Session.glitch\_width* property.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.GlitchCondition
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_GLITCH\_CONDITION

## glitch\_polarity

niscope.Session.glitch\_polarity

Specifies the polarity of pulses that trigger the oscilloscope for glitch triggering.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.GlitchPolarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_GLITCH\_POLARITY

# glitch\_width

niscope.Session.glitch\_width

Specifies the glitch duration, in seconds.

The oscilloscope triggers when it detects of pulse of duration either less than or greater than this value depending on the value of the *niscope.Session.glitch\_condition* property.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_GLITCH\_WIDTH

# high\_pass\_filter\_frequency

niscope.Session.high\_pass\_filter\_frequency

Specifies the frequency for the highpass filter in Hz. The device uses one of the valid values listed below. If an invalid value is specified, no coercion occurs. The default value is 0. (**PXIe-5164**) **Valid Values:** 0 90 450 **Related topics:** Digital Filtering

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical:Advanced:High Pass Filter Frequency
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_HIGH\_PASS\_FILTER\_FREQUENCY

### horz\_enforce\_realtime

#### niscope.Session.horz\_enforce\_realtime

Indicates whether the digitizer enforces real-time measurements or allows equivalent-time measurements.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Enforce Realtime
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_HORZ\_ENFORCE\_REALTIME

#### horz\_min\_num\_pts

#### niscope.Session.horz\_min\_num\_pts

Specifies the minimum number of points you require in the waveform record for each channel. NI-SCOPE uses the value you specify to configure the record length that the digitizer uses for waveform acquisition. *niscope.Session.horz\_record\_length* returns the actual record length. Valid Values: 1 - available onboard memory

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Min Number of Points
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_HORZ\_MIN\_NUM\_PTS

## horz\_num\_records

niscope.Session.horz\_num\_records

Specifies the number of records to acquire. Can be used for multi-record acquisition and single-record acquisitions. Setting this to 1 indicates a single-record acquisition.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Number of Records
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_HORZ\_NUM\_RECORDS

# horz\_record\_length

niscope.Session.horz\_record\_length

Returns the actual number of points the digitizer acquires for each channel. The value is equal to or greater than the minimum number of points you specify with *niscope.Session*. *horz\_min\_num\_pts*. Allocate a ViReal64 array of this size or greater to pass as the WaveformArray parameter of the Read and Fetch methods. This property is only valid after a call to the one of the Configure Horizontal methods.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Actual Record Length
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_HORZ\_RECORD\_LENGTH

### horz\_record\_ref\_position

#### niscope.Session.horz\_record\_ref\_position

Specifies the position of the Reference Event in the waveform record. When the digitizer detects a trigger, it waits the length of time the *niscope.Session.trigger\_delay\_time* property specifies. The event that occurs when the delay time elapses is the Reference Event. The Reference Event is relative to the start of the record and is a percentage of the record length. For example, the value 50.0 corresponds to the center of the waveform record and 0.0 corresponds to the first element in the waveform record. Valid Values: 0.0 - 100.0

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Reference Position
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_HORZ\_RECORD\_REF\_POSITION

### horz\_sample\_rate

#### niscope.Session.horz\_sample\_rate

Returns the effective sample rate using the current configuration. The units are samples per second. This property is only valid after a call to the one of the Configure Horizontal methods. Units: Hertz (Samples / Second)

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Actual Sample Rate
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_HORZ\_SAMPLE\_RATE

### horz\_time\_per\_record

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niscope.Session.horz_time_per_record
```

Specifies the length of time that corresponds to the record length. Units: Seconds

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Advanced:Time Per Record
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_HORZ\_TIME\_PER\_RECORD

## input\_clock\_source

### niscope.Session.input\_clock\_source

Specifies the input source for the PLL reference clock (the 1 MHz to 20 MHz clock on the NI 5122, the 10 MHz clock for the NI 5112/5620/5621/5911) to which the digitizer will be phase-locked; for the NI 5102, this is the source of the board clock.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocking:Reference (Input) Clock Source
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_INPUT\_CLOCK\_SOURCE

### input\_impedance

niscope.Session.input\_impedance

Specifies the input impedance for the channel in Ohms.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical:Input Impedance
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_INPUT\_IMPEDANCE

### instrument\_firmware\_revision

#### niscope.Session.instrument\_firmware\_revision

A string that contains the firmware revision information for the instrument you are currently using.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Firmware Revision
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_FIRMWARE\_REVISION

# instrument\_manufacturer

niscope.Session.instrument\_manufacturer

A string that contains the name of the instrument manufacturer.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Manufacturer
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MANUFACTURER

# instrument\_model

## niscope.Session.instrument\_model

A string that contains the model number of the current instrument.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Model
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MODEL

### interleaving\_offset\_correction\_enabled

#### niscope.Session.interleaving\_offset\_correction\_enabled

Enables the interleaving offset correction on the specified channel. The default value is TRUE. **Related topics:** Timed Interleaved Sampling

Note: If disabled, warranted specifications are not guaranteed.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical:Advanced:Interleaving Offset Correction Enabled
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_INTERLEAVING\_OFFSET\_CORRECTION\_ENABLED

### io\_resource\_descriptor

niscope.Session.io\_resource\_descriptor

Indicates the resource descriptor the driver uses to identify the physical device. If you initialize the driver with a logical name, this property contains the resource descriptor that corresponds to the entry in the IVI Configuration utility. If you initialize the instrument driver with the resource descriptor, this property contains that value.You can pass a logical name to niscope.Session. Init() or niscope.Session.\_\_init\_\_(). The IVI Configuration utility must contain an entry for the logical name. The logical name entry refers to a virtual instrument section in the IVI Configuration in the IVI Configuration file. The virtual instrument section specifies a physical device and initial user options.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Advanced Session Information:Resource Descriptor
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_IO\_RESOURCE\_DESCRIPTOR

# is\_probe\_comp\_on

niscope.Session.is\_probe\_comp\_on

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_IS\_PROBE\_COMP\_ON

# logical\_name

niscope.Session.logical\_name

A string containing the logical name you specified when opening the current IVI session. You can pass a logical name to niscope.Session.Init() or niscope.Session.\_\_init\_\_(). The IVI Configuration utility must contain an entry for the logical name. The logical name entry refers to a virtual instrument section in the IVI Configuration file. The virtual instrument section specifies a physical device and initial user options.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes: Advanced Session Information: Logical Name
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_LOGICAL\_NAME

# master\_enable

niscope.Session.master\_enable

Specifies whether you want the device to be a master or a slave. The master typically originates the trigger signal and clock sync pulse. For a standalone device, set this property to False.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Master Enable
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MASTER\_ENABLE

# max\_input\_frequency

## niscope.Session.max\_input\_frequency

Specifies the bandwidth of the channel. Express this value the freas quency at which the input circuitry attenuates the input signal by dB. 3 The units are hertz. Defined Values: NISCOPE\_VAL\_BANDWIDTH\_FULL (-1.0)NISCOPE\_VAL\_BANDWIDTH\_DEVICE\_DEFAULT (0.0)NISCOPE\_VAL\_20MHZ\_BANDWIDTH (2000000.0) NISCOPE\_VAL\_100MHZ\_BANDWIDTH (10000000.0)NISCOPE\_VAL\_20MHZ\_MAX\_INPUT\_FREQUENCY (2000000.0)NISCOPE\_VAL\_100MHZ\_MAX\_INPUT\_FREQUENCY (100000000.0)

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical:Maximum Input Frequency
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MAX\_INPUT\_FREQUENCY

## max\_real\_time\_sampling\_rate

niscope.Session.max\_real\_time\_sampling\_rate Returns the maximum real time sample rate in Hz.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Maximum Real Time Sample Rate
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MAX\_REAL\_TIME\_SAMPLING\_RATE

### max\_ris\_rate

```
niscope.Session.max_ris_rate
```

Returns the maximum sample rate in RIS mode in Hz.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Maximum RIS Rate
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MAX\_RIS\_RATE

### meas\_array\_gain

niscope.Session.meas\_array\_gain

Every element of an array is multiplied by this scalar value during the Array Gain measurement. Refer to *ARRAY\_GAIN* for more information. Default: 1.0

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement: Array Gain
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_ARRAY\_GAIN

### meas\_array\_offset

#### niscope.Session.meas\_array\_offset

Every element of an array is added to this scalar value during the Array Offset measurement. Refer to *ARRAY\_OFFSET* for more information. Default: 0.0

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement: Array Offset
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_ARRAY\_OFFSET

# meas\_chan\_high\_ref\_level

```
niscope.Session.meas_chan_high_ref_level
```

Stores the high reference level used in many scalar measurements. Different channels may have different reference levels. Do not use the IVI-defined, nonchannel-based properties such as *niscope*. *Session.meas\_high\_ref* if you use this property to set various channels to different values. Default: 90%

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Reference Levels:Channel Based High Ref Level
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_CHAN\_HIGH\_REF\_LEVEL

# meas\_chan\_low\_ref\_level

### niscope.Session.meas\_chan\_low\_ref\_level

Stores the low reference level used in many scalar measurements. Different channels may have different reference levels. Do not use the IVI-defined, nonchannel-based properties such as *niscope*. *Session.meas\_low\_ref* if you use this property to set various channels to different values. Default: 10%

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Reference Levels:Channel Based Low Ref Level
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_CHAN\_LOW\_REF\_LEVEL

# meas\_chan\_mid\_ref\_level

niscope.Session.meas\_chan\_mid\_ref\_level

Stores the mid reference level used in many scalar measurements. Different channels may have different reference levels. Do not use the IVI-defined, nonchannel-based properties such as *niscope*. *Session.meas\_mid\_ref* if you use this property to set various channels to different values. Default: 50%

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Reference Levels:Channel Based Mid Ref Level
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_CHAN\_MID\_REF\_LEVEL

# meas\_filter\_center\_freq

niscope.Session.meas\_filter\_center\_freq

The center frequency in hertz for filters of type bandpass and bandstop. The width of the filter is specified by *niscope.Session.meas\_filter\_width*, where the cutoff frequencies are the center  $\pm$  width. Default: 1.0e6 Hz

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Filter:Center Frequency
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_FILTER\_CENTER\_FREQ

# meas\_filter\_cutoff\_freq

## niscope.Session.meas\_filter\_cutoff\_freq

Specifies the cutoff frequency in hertz for filters of type lowpass and highpass. The cutoff frequency definition varies depending on the filter. Default: 1.0e6 Hz

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Filter:Cutoff Frequency
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_FILTER\_CUTOFF\_FREQ

### meas\_filter\_order

### niscope.Session.meas\_filter\_order

Specifies the order of an IIR filter. All positive integers are valid. Default: 2

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Filter:IIR Order
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_FILTER\_ORDER

### meas\_filter\_ripple

#### niscope.Session.meas\_filter\_ripple

Specifies the amount of ripple in the passband in units of decibels (positive values). Used only for Chebyshev filters. The more ripple allowed gives a sharper cutoff for a given filter order. Default: 0.1 dB

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Filter:Ripple
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_FILTER\_RIPPLE

### meas\_filter\_taps

niscope.Session.meas\_filter\_taps

Defines the number of taps (coefficients) for an FIR filter. Default: 25

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated

capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement: Filter: FIR Taps
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_FILTER\_TAPS

#### meas\_filter\_transient\_waveform\_percent

#### niscope.Session.meas\_filter\_transient\_waveform\_percent

The percentage (0 - 100%) of the IIR filtered waveform to eliminate from the beginning of the waveform. This allows eliminating the transient portion of the waveform that is undefined due to the assumptions necessary at the boundary condition. Default: 20.0%

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Filter:Percent Waveform Transient
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_FILTER\_TRANSIENT\_WAVEFORM\_PERCENT

# meas\_filter\_type

niscope.Session.meas\_filter\_type
Specifies the type of filter, for both IIR and FIR filters. The allowed values are the

following:NISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_LOWPASSNISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_HIGHPASS·NISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_BANDPASS·NISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_BANDSTOPDefault:NISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_LOWPASS

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.FilterType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Filter:Type
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_FILTER\_TYPE

#### meas\_filter\_width

#### niscope.Session.meas\_filter\_width

Specifies the width of bandpass and bandstop type filters in hertz. The cutoff frequencies occur at  $niscope.Session.meas_filter_center_freq \pm one-half width. Default: 1.0e3 Hz$ 

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Filter:Width
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_FILTER\_WIDTH

# meas\_fir\_filter\_window

#### niscope.Session.meas\_fir\_filter\_window

Specifies the FIR window type. The possible choices are: NONE HANNING\_WINDOW HAMMING\_WINDOW TRIANGLE\_WINDOW FLAT\_TOP\_WINDOW BLACKMAN\_WINDOW The symmetric windows are applied to the FIR filter coefficients to limit passband ripple in FIR filters. Default: NONE

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.FIRFilterWindow
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Filter:FIR Window
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_FIR\_FILTER\_WINDOW

# meas\_high\_ref

### niscope.Session.meas\_high\_ref

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_HIGH\_REF

## meas\_hysteresis\_percent

#### niscope.Session.meas\_hysteresis\_percent

Digital hysteresis that is used in several of the scalar waveform measurements. This property specifies the percentage of the full-scale vertical range for the hysteresis window size. Default: 2%

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement: Hysteresis Percent
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_HYSTERESIS\_PERCENT

# meas\_interpolation\_sampling\_factor

### niscope.Session.meas\_interpolation\_sampling\_factor

The new number of points for polynomial interpolation is the sampling factor times the input number of points. For example, if you acquire 1,000 points with the digitizer and set this property to 2.5, calling niscope.Session.FetchWaveformMeasurementArray() with the *POLYNOMIAL\_INTERPOLATION* measurement resamples the waveform to 2,500 points. Default: 2.0

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Interpolation:Sampling Factor
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_INTERPOLATION\_SAMPLING\_FACTOR

#### meas\_last\_acq\_histogram\_size

#### niscope.Session.meas\_last\_acq\_histogram\_size

Specifies the size (that is, the number of bins) in the last acquisition histogram. This histogram is used to determine several scalar measurements, most importantly voltage low and voltage high. Default: 256

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Last Acq. Histogram Size
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_LAST\_ACQ\_HISTOGRAM\_SIZE

#### meas\_low\_ref

niscope.Session.meas\_low\_ref

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_LOW\_REF

### meas\_mid\_ref

niscope.Session.meas\_mid\_ref

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_MID\_REF

### meas\_other\_channel

### niscope.Session.meas\_other\_channel

Specifies the second channel for two-channel measurements, such as *ADD\_CHANNELS*. If processing steps are registered with this channel, the processing is done before the waveform is used in a two-channel measurement. Default: '0'

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str or int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement: Other Channel
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_OTHER\_CHANNEL

#### meas\_percentage\_method

niscope.Session.meas\_percentage\_method

Specifies the method used to map percentage reference units to voltages for the reference. Possible values are: NISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_LOW\_HIGH NISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_MIN\_MAX NISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_BASE\_TOP Default: NISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_BASE\_TOP

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.PercentageMethod
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Reference Levels:Percentage Units Method
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_PERCENTAGE\_METHOD

### meas\_polynomial\_interpolation\_order

niscope.Session.meas\_polynomial\_interpolation\_order

Specifies the polynomial order used for the polynomial interpolation measurement. For example, an order of 1 is linear interpolation whereas an order of 2 specifies parabolic interpolation. Any positive integer is valid. Default: 1

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated

capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Interpolation:Polynomial Interpolation Order
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_POLYNOMIAL\_INTERPOLATION\_ORDER

#### meas\_ref\_level\_units

niscope.Session.meas\_ref\_level\_units

Specifies the units of the reference levels. NISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_VOLTAGE-Specifies that the reference levels are given in units of volts NISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_PERCENTAGE-Percentage units, where the measurements voltage low and voltage high represent 0% and 100%, respectively. Default: NISCOPE\_VAL\_MEAS\_PERCENTAGE

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.RefLevelUnits
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Reference Levels:Units

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_REF\_LEVEL\_UNITS

# meas\_time\_histogram\_high\_time

niscope.Session.meas\_time\_histogram\_high\_time

Specifies the highest time value included in the multiple acquisition time histogram. The units are always seconds. Default: 5.0e-4 seconds

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Time Histogram:High Time
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_HIGH\_TIME

# meas\_time\_histogram\_high\_volts

niscope.Session.meas\_time\_histogram\_high\_volts

Specifies the highest voltage value included in the multiple-acquisition time histogram. The units are always volts. Default: 10.0 V

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Time Histogram:High Volts

# • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_HIGH\_VOLTS

#### meas\_time\_histogram\_low\_time

#### niscope.Session.meas\_time\_histogram\_low\_time

Specifies the lowest time value included in the multiple-acquisition time histogram. The units are always seconds. Default: -5.0e-4 seconds

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement: Time Histogram: Low Time
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_LOW\_TIME

### meas\_time\_histogram\_low\_volts

niscope.Session.meas\_time\_histogram\_low\_volts

Specifies the lowest voltage value included in the multiple acquisition time histogram. The units are always volts. Default: -10.0 V

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement:Time Histogram:Low Volts
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_LOW\_VOLTS

### meas\_time\_histogram\_size

niscope.Session.meas\_time\_histogram\_size

Determines the multiple acquisition voltage histogram size. The size is set during the first call to a time histogram measurement after clearing the measurement history with *niscope.Session*. *clear\_waveform\_measurement\_stats()*. Default: 256

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement: Time Histogram: Size
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_SIZE

### meas\_voltage\_histogram\_high\_volts

#### niscope.Session.meas\_voltage\_histogram\_high\_volts

Specifies the highest voltage value included in the multiple acquisition voltage histogram. The units are always volts. Default: 10.0 V

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement: Voltage Histogram: High Volts
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_HIGH\_VOLTS

## meas\_voltage\_histogram\_low\_volts

#### niscope.Session.meas\_voltage\_histogram\_low\_volts

Specifies the lowest voltage value included in the multiple-acquisition voltage histogram. The units are always volts. Default: -10.0 V

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement: Voltage Histogram: Low Volts
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_LOW\_VOLTS

### meas\_voltage\_histogram\_size

niscope.Session.meas\_voltage\_histogram\_size

Determines the multiple acquisition voltage histogram size. The size is set the first time a voltage histogram measurement is called after clearing the measurement history with the method *niscope*. *Session.clear\_waveform\_measurement\_stats()*. Default: 256

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated

capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Waveform Measurement: Voltage Histogram:Size
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MEAS\_VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_SIZE

### min\_sample\_rate

#### niscope.Session.min\_sample\_rate

Specify the sampling rate for the acquisition in Samples per second. Valid Values: The combination of sampling rate and min record length must allow the digitizer to sample at a valid sampling rate for the acquisition type specified in niscope.Session.ConfigureAcquisition() and not require more memory than the onboard memory module allows.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Min Sample Rate
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_MIN\_SAMPLE\_RATE

### onboard\_memory\_size

niscope.Session.onboard\_memory\_size Returns the total combined amount of onboard memory for all channels in bytes. **Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Memory Size
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_ONBOARD\_MEMORY\_SIZE

# output\_clock\_source

niscope.Session.output\_clock\_source

Specifies the output source for the 10 MHz clock to which another digitizer's sample clock can be phased-locked.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocking:Output Clock Source
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_CLOCK\_SOURCE

# pll\_lock\_status

niscope.Session.pll\_lock\_status

If TRUE, the PLL has remained locked to the external reference clock since it was last checked. If FALSE, the PLL has become unlocked from the external reference clock since it was last checked.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated

capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocking:PLL Lock Status
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_PLL\_LOCK\_STATUS

## points\_done

niscope.Session.points\_done

Actual number of samples acquired in the record specified by niscope.Session. fetch\_record\_number from the niscope.Session.fetch\_relative\_to and niscope.Session.fetch\_offset properties.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Fetch:Points Done
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_POINTS\_DONE

### poll\_interval

niscope.Session.poll\_interval

Specifies the poll interval in milliseconds to use during RIS acquisitions to check whether the acquisition is complete.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_POLL\_INTERVAL

# probe\_attenuation

## niscope.Session.probe\_attenuation

Specifies the probe attenuation for the input channel. For example, for a 10:1 probe, set this property to 10.0. Valid Values: Any positive real number. Typical values are 1, 10, and 100.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical:Probe Attenuation
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_PROBE\_ATTENUATION

# ready\_for\_advance\_event\_output\_terminal

### niscope.Session.ready\_for\_advance\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination for the Ready for Advance Event. When this event is asserted, the digitizer is ready to receive an advance trigger. Consult your device documentation for a specific list of valid destinations.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Ready for Advance:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_READY\_FOR\_ADVANCE\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## ready\_for\_advance\_event\_terminal\_name

#### niscope.Session.ready\_for\_advance\_event\_terminal\_name

Returns the fully qualified name for the Ready for Advance Event terminal. You can use this terminal as the source for a trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Ready for Advance:Terminal Name
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_READY\_FOR\_ADVANCE\_EVENT\_TERMINAL\_NAME

# ready\_for\_ref\_event\_output\_terminal

#### niscope.Session.ready\_for\_ref\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination for the Ready for Reference Event. When this event is asserted, the digitizer is ready to receive a reference trigger. Consult your device documentation for a specific list of valid destinations.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Ready for Reference:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_READY\_FOR\_REF\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## ready\_for\_ref\_event\_terminal\_name

#### niscope.Session.ready\_for\_ref\_event\_terminal\_name

Returns the fully qualified name for the Ready for Reference Event terminal. You can use this terminal as the source for a trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Ready for Reference:Terminal Name
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_READY\_FOR\_REF\_EVENT\_TERMINAL\_NAME

### ready\_for\_start\_event\_output\_terminal

#### niscope.Session.ready\_for\_start\_event\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination for the Ready for Start Event. When this event is asserted, the digitizer is ready to receive a start trigger. Consult your device documentation for a specific list of valid destinations.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Ready for Start:Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_READY\_FOR\_START\_EVENT\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

## ready\_for\_start\_event\_terminal\_name

#### niscope.Session.ready\_for\_start\_event\_terminal\_name

Returns the fully qualified name for the Ready for Start Event terminal. You can use this terminal as the source for a trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Ready for Start:Terminal Name
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_READY\_FOR\_START\_EVENT\_TERMINAL\_NAME

#### records\_done

niscope.Session.records\_done

Specifies the number of records that have been completely acquired.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Fetch:Records Done
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RECORDS\_DONE

### record\_arm\_source

niscope.Session.record\_arm\_source Specifies the record arm source.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Record Arm Source
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RECORD\_ARM\_SOURCE

# ref\_clk\_rate

### niscope.Session.ref\_clk\_rate

If *niscope.Session.input\_clock\_source* is an external source, this property specifies the frequency of the input, or reference clock, to which the internal sample clock timebase is synchronized. The frequency is in hertz.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocking:Reference Clock Rate
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_REF\_CLK\_RATE

# ref\_trigger\_detector\_location

 $\verb"niscope.Session.ref_trigger_detector_location"$ 

Indicates which analog compare circuitry to use on the device.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.RefTriggerDetectorLocation
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Onboard Signal Processing:Ref Trigger Detection Location
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_REF\_TRIGGER\_DETECTOR\_LOCATION

# ref\_trigger\_minimum\_quiet\_time

# niscope.Session.ref\_trigger\_minimum\_quiet\_time

The amount of time the trigger circuit must not detect a signal above the trigger level before the trigger is armed. This property is useful for triggering at the beginning and not in the middle of signal bursts.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering: Onboard Signal Processing: Ref Trigger Min Quiet Time
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_REF\_TRIGGER\_MINIMUM\_QUIET\_TIME

# ref\_trigger\_terminal\_name

### niscope.Session.ref\_trigger\_terminal\_name

Returns the fully qualified name for the Reference Trigger terminal. You can use this terminal as the source for another trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Terminal Name
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_REF\_TRIGGER\_TERMINAL\_NAME

# ref\_trig\_tdc\_enable

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niscope.Session.ref_trig_tdc_enable
```

This property controls whether the TDC is used to compute an accurate trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:Advanced:Enable TDC
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_REF\_TRIG\_TDC\_ENABLE

## resolution

niscope.Session.resolution

Indicates the bit width of valid data (as opposed to padding bits) in the acquired waveform. Compare to niscope.Session.binary\_sample\_width.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Acquisition:Resolution
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RESOLUTION

# ris\_in\_auto\_setup\_enable

niscope.Session.ris\_in\_auto\_setup\_enable

Indicates whether the digitizer should use RIS sample rates when searching for a frequency in autosetup. Valid Values: True (1) - Use RIS sample rates in autosetup False (0) - Do not use RIS sample rates in autosetup

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Acquisition:Advanced:Enable RIS in Auto Setup
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RIS\_IN\_AUTO\_SETUP\_ENABLE

## ris\_method

niscope.Session.ris\_method

Specifies the algorithm for random-interleaved sampling, which is used if the sample rate exceeds the value of *niscope.Session.max\_real\_time\_sampling\_rate*.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.RISMethod
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:RIS Method
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RIS\_METHOD

## ris\_num\_averages

## niscope.Session.ris\_num\_averages

The number of averages for each bin in an RIS acquisition. The number of averages times the oversampling factor is the minimum number of real-time acquisitions necessary to reconstruct the RIS waveform. Averaging is useful in RIS because the trigger times are not evenly spaced, so adjacent points in the reconstructed waveform not be accurately spaced. By averaging, the errors in both time and voltage are smoothed.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Horizontal:RIS Num Avg
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RIS\_NUM\_AVERAGES

# runt\_high\_threshold

niscope.Session.runt\_high\_threshold

Specifies the higher of two thresholds, in volts, that bound the vertical range to examine for runt pulses.

The runt threshold that causes the oscilloscope to trigger depends on the runt polarity you select. Refer to the *niscope.Session.runt\_polarity* property for more information.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RUNT\_HIGH\_THRESHOLD

# runt\_low\_threshold

## niscope.Session.runt\_low\_threshold

Specifies the lower of two thresholds, in volts, that bound the vertical range to examine for runt pulses.

The runt threshold that causes the oscilloscope to trigger depends on the runt polarity you select. Refer to the *niscope.Session.runt\_polarity* property for more information.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RUNT\_LOW\_THRESHOLD

# runt\_polarity

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niscope.Session.runt_polarity
```

Specifies the polarity of pulses that trigger the oscilloscope for runt triggering.

## When set to **POSITIVE**, the oscilloscope triggers when the following conditions are met:

- The leading edge of a pulse crosses the *niscope.Session.runt\_low\_threshold* in a positive direction;
- The trailing edge of the pulse crosses the *niscope.Session*. *runt\_low\_threshold* in a negative direction; and
- No portion of the pulse crosses the *niscope*.Session.runt\_high\_threshold.

#### When set to NEGATIVE, the oscilloscope triggers when the following conditions are met:

- The leading edge of a pulse crosses the *niscope.Session*. runt\_high\_threshold in a negative direction;
- The trailing edge of the pulse crosses the *niscope.Session*. *runt\_high\_threshold* in a positive direction; and
- No portion of the pulse crosses the niscope.Session.runt\_low\_threshold.

When set to *EITHER*, the oscilloscope triggers in either case.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.RuntPolarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RUNT\_POLARITY

## runt\_time\_condition

#### niscope.Session.runt\_time\_condition

Specifies whether runt triggers are time qualified, and if so, how the oscilloscope triggers in relation to the duration range bounded by the *niscope.Session.runt\_time\_low\_limit* and *niscope.Session.runt\_time\_high\_limit* properties.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.RuntTimeCondition
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RUNT\_TIME\_CONDITION

### runt\_time\_high\_limit

niscope.Session.runt\_time\_high\_limit

Specifies, in seconds, the high runt threshold time.

This property sets the upper bound on the duration of runt pulses that may trigger the oscilloscope. The *niscope.Session.runt\_time\_condition* property determines how the oscilloscope triggers in relation to the runt time limits.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

## • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RUNT\_TIME\_HIGH\_LIMIT

# runt\_time\_low\_limit

Specifies, in seconds, the low runt threshold time.

This property sets the lower bound on the duration of runt pulses that may trigger the oscilloscope. The *niscope.Session.runt\_time\_condition* property determines how the oscilloscope triggers in relation to the runt time limits.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_RUNT\_TIME\_LOW\_LIMIT

# sample\_mode

niscope.Session.sample\_mode

Indicates the sample mode the digitizer is currently using.

niscope.Session.runt\_time\_low\_limit

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Acquisition:Sample Mode
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SAMPLE\_MODE

## samp\_clk\_timebase\_div

#### niscope.Session.samp\_clk\_timebase\_div

If *niscope.Session.samp\_clk\_timebase\_src* is an external source, specifies the ratio between the sample clock timebase rate and the actual sample rate, which can be slower.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocking:Sample Clock Timebase Divisor
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SAMP\_CLK\_TIMEBASE\_DIV

## sample\_clock\_timebase\_multiplier

niscope.Session.sample\_clock\_timebase\_multiplier

If niscope.Session.samp\_clk\_timebase\_src is an external source, this property specifies the ratio between the niscope.Session.samp\_clk\_timebase\_rate and the actual sample rate, which can be higher. This property can be used in conjunction with niscope. Session.samp\_clk\_timebase\_div. Some devices use multiple ADCs to sample the same channel at an effective sample rate that is greater than the specified clock rate. When providing an external sample clock use this property to indicate when you want a higher sample rate. Valid values for this property vary by device and current configuration.

### Related topics: Sample Clock

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SAMP\_CLK\_TIMEBASE\_MULT

## samp\_clk\_timebase\_rate

niscope.Session.samp\_clk\_timebase\_rate

If *niscope.Session.samp\_clk\_timebase\_src* is an external source, specifies the frequency in hertz of the external clock used as the timebase source.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocking:Sample Clock Timebase Rate
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SAMP\_CLK\_TIMEBASE\_RATE

## samp\_clk\_timebase\_src

#### niscope.Session.samp\_clk\_timebase\_src

Specifies the source of the sample clock timebase, which is the timebase used to control waveform sampling. The actual sample rate may be the timebase itself or a divided version of the timebase, depending on the *niscope.Session.min\_sample\_rate* (for internal sources) or the *niscope.Session.samp\_clk\_timebase\_div* (for external sources).

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Clocking:Sample Clock Timebase Source
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SAMP\_CLK\_TIMEBASE\_SRC

## serial\_number

#### niscope.Session.serial\_number

Returns the serial number of the device.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Device:Serial Number
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SERIAL\_NUMBER

## accessory\_gain

niscope.Session.accessory\_gain

Returns the calibration gain for the current device configuration.

Related topics: NI 5122/5124/5142 Calibration

Note: This property is supported only by the NI PXI-5900 differential amplifier.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SIGNAL\_COND\_GAIN

# accessory\_offset

niscope.Session.accessory\_offset

Returns the calibration offset for the current device configuration.

Related topics: NI 5122/5124/5142 Calibration

**Note:** This property is supported only by the NI PXI-5900 differential amplifier.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SIGNAL\_COND\_OFFSET

## simulate

niscope.Session.simulate

Specifies whether or not to simulate instrument driver I/O operations. If simulation is enabled, instrument driver methods perform range checking and call Ivi\_GetAttribute and Ivi\_SetAttribute methods, but they do not perform instrument I/O. For output parameters that represent instrument data, the instrument driver methods return calculated values. The default value is False. Use the niscope.Session.\_\_init\_\_() method to override this value.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:User Options:Simulate
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SIMULATE

## specific\_driver\_description

niscope.Session.specific\_driver\_description

A string that contains a brief description of the specific driver

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Description

C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_DESCRIPTION

# specific\_driver\_revision

## niscope.Session.specific\_driver\_revision

A string that contains additional version information about this instrument driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Revision
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_REVISION

# specific\_driver\_vendor

niscope.Session.specific\_driver\_vendor

A string that contains the name of the vendor that supplies this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Driver Vendor
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_VENDOR

## start\_to\_ref\_trigger\_holdoff

```
niscope.Session.start_to_ref_trigger_holdoff
```

Pass the length of time you want the digitizer to wait after it starts acquiring data until the digitizer enables the trigger system to detect a reference (stop) trigger. Units: Seconds Valid Values: 0.0 - 171.8

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Start To Ref Trigger Holdoff
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_START\_TO\_REF\_TRIGGER\_HOLDOFF

### start\_trigger\_terminal\_name

#### niscope.Session.start\_trigger\_terminal\_name

Returns the fully qualified name for the Start Trigger terminal. You can use this terminal as the source for another trigger.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Synchronization:Start Trigger (Acq. Arm):Terminal Name
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_START\_TRIGGER\_TERMINAL\_NAME

## supported\_instrument\_models

#### niscope.Session.supported\_instrument\_models

A string that contains a comma-separated list of the instrument model numbers supported by this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Capabilities:Supported Instrument Models
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_SUPPORTED\_INSTRUMENT\_MODELS

# trigger\_auto\_triggered

### niscope.Session.trigger\_auto\_triggered

Specifies if the last acquisition was auto triggered. You can use the Auto Triggered property to find out if the last acquisition was triggered.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Auto Triggered
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_AUTO\_TRIGGERED

# trigger\_coupling

```
niscope.Session.trigger_coupling
```

Specifies how the digitizer couples the trigger source. This property affects instrument operation only when *niscope.Session.trigger\_type* is set to *EDGE*, *HYSTERESIS*, or *WINDOW*.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerCoupling
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Coupling
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_COUPLING

# trigger\_delay\_time

## niscope.Session.trigger\_delay\_time

Specifies the trigger delay time in seconds. The trigger delay time is the length of time the digitizer waits after it receives the trigger. The event that occurs when the trigger delay elapses is the Reference Event. Valid Values: 0.0 - 171.8

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering: Trigger Delay
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_DELAY\_TIME

## trigger\_holdoff

#### niscope.Session.trigger\_holdoff

Specifies the length of time (in seconds) the digitizer waits after detecting a trigger before enabling the trigger subsystem to detect another trigger. This property affects instrument operation only when the digitizer requires multiple acquisitions to build a complete waveform. The digitizer requires multiple waveform acquisitions when it uses equivalent-time sampling or when the digitizer is configured for a multi-record acquisition through a call to *niscope.Session*. *configure\_horizontal\_timing()*. Valid Values: 0.0 - 171.8

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering: Trigger Holdoff
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_HOLDOFF

## trigger\_hysteresis

#### niscope.Session.trigger\_hysteresis

Specifies the size of the hysteresis window on either side of the trigger level. The digitizer triggers when the trigger signal passes through the threshold you specify with the Trigger Level parameter, has the slope you specify with the Trigger Slope parameter, and passes through the hysteresis window that you specify with this parameter.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Hysteresis
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_HYSTERESIS

# trigger\_impedance

### niscope.Session.trigger\_impedance

Specifies the input impedance for the external analog trigger channel in Ohms. Valid Values: 50 -

50 ohms 1000000 - 1 mega ohm

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Impedance
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_IMPEDANCE

# trigger\_level

niscope.Session.trigger\_level

Specifies the voltage threshold for the trigger subsystem. The units are volts. This property affects instrument behavior only when the *niscope.Session.trigger\_type* is set to *EDGE*, *HYSTERESIS*, or *WINDOW*. Valid Values: The values of the range and offset parameters in *niscope.Session.configure\_vertical()* determine the valid range for the trigger level on the channel you use as the Trigger Source. The value you pass for this parameter must meet the following conditions:

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Level
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_LEVEL

# trigger\_modifier

niscope.Session.trigger\_modifier

Configures the device to automatically complete an acquisition if a trigger has not been received. Valid Values: None (1) - Normal triggering Auto Trigger (2) - Auto trigger acquisition if no trigger arrives

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerModifier
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Modifier
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_MODIFIER

# trigger\_slope

niscope.Session.trigger\_slope

Specifies if a rising or a falling edge triggers the digitizer. This property affects instrument operation only when *niscope.Session.trigger\_type* is set to *EDGE*, *HYSTERESIS*, or *WINDOW*.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerSlope
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Slope
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_SLOPE

## trigger\_source

## niscope.Session.trigger\_source

Specifies the source the digitizer monitors for the trigger event.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Source

# • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_SOURCE

# trigger\_type

niscope.Session.trigger\_type

Specifies the type of trigger to use.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerType
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Type
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_TYPE

# trigger\_window\_high\_level

## niscope.Session.trigger\_window\_high\_level

Pass the upper voltage threshold you want the digitizer to use for window triggering. The digitizer triggers when the trigger signal enters or leaves the window you specify with *niscope.Session.trigger\_window\_low\_level* and *niscope.Session.trigger\_window\_low\_level* and *niscope.Session.trigger\_window\_low\_level* and *vertical* () determine the valid values: The values of the Vertical Range and Vertical Offset parameters in *niscope.Session.configure\_vertical()* determine the valid range for the High Window Level on the channel you use as the Trigger Source parameter in *niscope.Session.ConfigureTriggerSource()*. The value you pass for this parameter must meet the following conditions. High Trigger Level <= Vertical Range/2 + Vertical Offset High Trigger Level >= (-Vertical Range/2) + Vertical Offset High Trigger Level > Low Trigger Level

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Window:High Level

# • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_WINDOW\_HIGH\_LEVEL

# trigger\_window\_low\_level

## niscope.Session.trigger\_window\_low\_level

Pass the lower voltage threshold you want the digitizer to use for window triggering. The digitizer triggers when the trigger signal enters or leaves the window you specify with *niscope.Session.trigger\_window\_low\_level* and *niscope.Session.trigger\_window\_low\_level* and *niscope.Session.trigger\_window\_low\_level* and *rigger\_window\_high\_level*. Units: Volts Valid Values: The values of the Vertical Range and Vertical Offset parameters in *niscope.Session.configure\_vertical()* determine the valid range for the Low Window Level on the channel you use as the Trigger Source parameter in *niscope.Session.ConfigureTriggerSource()*. The value you pass for this parameter must meet the following conditions. Low Trigger Level <= Vertical Range/2 + Vertical Offset Low Trigger Level >= (-Vertical Range/2) + Vertical Offset Low Trigger Level < High Trigger Level

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Window:Low Level
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_WINDOW\_LOW\_LEVEL

# trigger\_window\_mode

## niscope.Session.trigger\_window\_mode

Specifies whether you want a trigger to occur when the signal enters or leaves the window specified by niscope.Session.trigger\_window\_low\_level, or niscope.Session. trigger\_window\_high\_level.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerWindowMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Window:Window Mode
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_WINDOW\_MODE

# tv\_trigger\_event

#### niscope.Session.tv\_trigger\_event

Specifies the condition in the video signal that causes the digitizer to trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.VideoTriggerEvent
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Video:Event
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TV\_TRIGGER\_EVENT

## tv\_trigger\_line\_number

### niscope.Session.tv\_trigger\_line\_number

Specifies the line on which to trigger, if *niscope.Session.tv\_trigger\_event* is set to line number. The valid ranges of the property depend on the signal format selected. M-NTSC has a valid range of 1 to 525. B/G-PAL, SECAM, 576i, and 576p have a valid range of 1 to 625. 720p has a valid range of 1 to 750. 1080i and 1080p have a valid range of 1125.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Video:Line Number
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TV\_TRIGGER\_LINE\_NUMBER

# tv\_trigger\_polarity

```
niscope.Session.tv_trigger_polarity
```

Specifies whether the video signal sync is positive or negative.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.VideoPolarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Video:Polarity
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TV\_TRIGGER\_POLARITY

# tv\_trigger\_signal\_format

## niscope.Session.tv\_trigger\_signal\_format

Specifies the type of video signal, such as NTSC, PAL, or SECAM.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.VideoSignalFormat
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Triggering:Trigger Video:Signal Format
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_TV\_TRIGGER\_SIGNAL\_FORMAT

# use\_spec\_initial\_x

# niscope.Session.use\_spec\_initial\_x

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_USE\_SPEC\_INITIAL\_X

# vertical\_coupling

### niscope.Session.vertical\_coupling

Specifies how the digitizer couples the input signal for the channel. When input coupling changes, the input stage takes a finite amount of time to settle.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.VerticalCoupling
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical:Vertical Coupling
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_VERTICAL\_COUPLING

# vertical\_offset

## niscope.Session.vertical\_offset

Specifies the location of the center of the range. The value is with respect to ground and is in volts. For example, to acquire a sine wave that spans between 0.0 and 10.0 V, set this property to 5.0 V.

**Note:** This property is not supported by all digitizers.Refer to the NI High-Speed Digitizers Help for a list of vertical offsets supported for each device.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical: Vertical Offset
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_VERTICAL\_OFFSET

## vertical\_range

niscope.Session.vertical\_range

Specifies the absolute value of the input range for a channel in volts. For example, to acquire a sine wave that spans between -5 and +5 V, set this property to 10.0 V. Refer to the NI High-Speed Digitizers Help for a list of supported vertical ranges for each device. If the specified range is not supported by a device, the value is coerced up to the next valid range.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niscope.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niscope.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Vertical:Vertical Range
- C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_VERTICAL\_RANGE

#### width\_condition

niscope.Session.width\_condition

Specifies whether the oscilloscope triggers on pulses within or outside the duration range bounded by the *niscope.Session.width\_low\_threshold* and *niscope.Session.width\_high\_threshold* properties.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.WidthCondition
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_WIDTH\_CONDITION

## width\_high\_threshold

## niscope.Session.width\_high\_threshold Specifies the high width threshold, in seconds.

This properties sets the upper bound on the duration range that triggers the oscilloscope. The *niscope.Session.width\_condition* property determines how the oscilloscope triggers in relation to the width thresholds.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_WIDTH\_HIGH\_THRESHOLD

# width\_low\_threshold

### niscope.Session.width\_low\_threshold Specifies the low width threshold, in seconds.

This property sets the lower bound on the duration range that triggers the oscilloscope. The *niscope.Session.width\_condition* property determines how the oscilloscope triggers in relation to the width thresholds.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

# • C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_WIDTH\_LOW\_THRESHOLD

# width\_polarity

niscope.Session.width\_polarity

Specifies the polarity of pulses that trigger the oscilloscope for width triggering.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.WidthPolarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	Yes

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NISCOPE\_ATTR\_WIDTH\_POLARITY

# **NI-TClk Support**

niscope.Session.tclk

This is used to get and set NI-TClk attributes on the session.

## See also:

See *nitclk*.SessionReference for a complete list of attributes.

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Session	

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# **Repeated Capabilities**

Repeated capabilities attributes are used to set the *channel\_string* parameter to the underlying driver function call. This can be the actual function based on the Session method being called, or it can be the appropriate Get/Set Attribute function, such as niScope\_SetAttributeViInt32().

Repeated capabilities attributes use the indexing operator [] to indicate the repeated capabilities. The parameter can be a string, list, tuple, or slice (range). Each element of those can be a string or an integer. If it is a string, you can indicate a range using the same format as the driver:  $\0-2'$  or  $\0:2'$ 

Some repeated capabilities use a prefix before the number and this is optional

# channels

niscope.Session.channels[]

session.channels['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of '0, 1, 2' to the set attribute function.

# Enums

Enums used in NI-SCOPE

# **AcquisitionStatus**

class niscope.AcquisitionStatus

### COMPLETE

#### IN\_PROGRESS

STATUS\_UNKNOWN

# AcquisitionType

# class niscope.AcquisitionType

## NORMAL

Sets the digitizer to normal resolution mode. The digitizer can use real-time sampling or equivalent-time sampling.

# FLEXRES

Sets the digitizer to flexible resolution mode if supported. The digitizer uses different hardware configurations to change the resolution depending on the sampling rate used.

### DDC

Sets the digitizer to DDC mode on the NI 5620/5621.

## **ArrayMeasurement**

#### class niscope.ArrayMeasurement

NO\_MEASUREMENT

# None

- LAST\_ACQ\_HISTOGRAM Last Acquisition Histogram
- FFT\_PHASE\_SPECTRUM FFT Phase Spectrum
- FFT\_AMP\_SPECTRUM\_VOLTS\_RMS FFT Amp. Spectrum (Volts RMS)

## MULTI\_ACQ\_VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM Multi Acquisition Voltage Histogram

MULTI\_ACQ\_TIME\_HISTOGRAM Multi Acquisition Time Histogram ARRAY\_INTEGRAL Array Integral

**DERIVATIVE** Derivative

INVERSE Inverse

HANNING\_WINDOW Hanning Window

**FLAT\_TOP\_WINDOW** Flat Top Window

**POLYNOMIAL\_INTERPOLATION** Polynomial Interpolation

MULTIPLY\_CHANNELS Multiply Channels

ADD\_CHANNELS Add Channels

SUBTRACT\_CHANNELS Subtract Channels

DIVIDE\_CHANNELS Divide Channels

MULTI\_ACQ\_AVERAGE Multi Acquisition Average

BUTTERWORTH\_FILTER Butterworth IIR Filter

CHEBYSHEV\_FILTER Chebyshev IIR Filter

FFT\_AMP\_SPECTRUM\_DB FFT Amp. Spectrum (dB)

HAMMING\_WINDOW Hamming Window

WINDOWED\_FIR\_FILTER FIR Windowed Filter

BESSEL\_FILTER Bessel IIR Filter

TRIANGLE\_WINDOW Triangle Window

BLACKMAN\_WINDOW Blackman Window

ARRAY\_OFFSET Array Offset

ARRAY\_GAIN Array Gain

# CableSenseMode

## class niscope.CableSenseMode

### DISABLED

The oscilloscope is not configured to emit a CableSense signal.

#### ON\_DEMAND

The oscilloscope is configured to emit a single CableSense pulse.

## ClearableMeasurement

## class niscope.ClearableMeasurement

ALL\_MEASUREMENTS MULTI\_ACQ\_VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM MULTI\_ACO\_TIME\_HISTOGRAM MULTI\_ACQ\_AVERAGE FREQUENCY AVERAGE\_FREQUENCY FFT\_FREQUENCY PERIOD AVERAGE PERIOD RISE\_TIME FALL\_TIME RISE\_SLEW\_RATE FALL\_SLEW\_RATE OVERSHOOT PRESHOOT VOLTAGE\_RMS VOLTAGE\_CYCLE\_RMS AC\_ESTIMATE FFT\_AMPLITUDE VOLTAGE\_AVERAGE VOLTAGE\_CYCLE\_AVERAGE DC ESTIMATE VOLTAGE\_MAX VOLTAGE\_MIN VOLTAGE\_PEAK\_TO\_PEAK VOLTAGE\_HIGH

VOLTAGE LOW AMPLITUDE VOLTAGE\_TOP VOLTAGE\_BASE VOLTAGE BASE TO TOP WIDTH NEG WIDTH\_POS DUTY\_CYCLE\_NEG DUTY CYCLE POS INTEGRAL AREA CYCLE\_AREA TIME\_DELAY PHASE DELAY LOW\_REF\_VOLTS MID REF VOLTS HIGH REF VOLTS VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_MEAN VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_STDEV VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_MEDIAN VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_MODE VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_MAX VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_MIN VOLTAGE HISTOGRAM PEAK TO PEAK VOLTAGE HISTOGRAM MEAN PLUS STDEV VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_MEAN\_PLUS\_2\_STDEV VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_MEAN\_PLUS\_3\_STDEV VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_HITS VOLTAGE\_HISTOGRAM\_NEW\_HITS TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_MEAN TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_STDEV TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_MEDIAN TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_MODE TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_MAX

- TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_MIN
- TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_PEAK\_TO\_PEAK

TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_MEAN\_PLUS\_STDEV

TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_MEAN\_PLUS\_2\_STDEV

TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_MEAN\_PLUS\_3\_STDEV

TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_HITS

TIME\_HISTOGRAM\_NEW\_HITS

## **FIRFilterWindow**

class niscope.FIRFilterWindow

#### NONE

No window.

# HANNING

Specifies a Hanning window.

### FLAT\_TOP

Specifies a Flat Top window.

# HAMMING

Specifies a Hamming window.

## TRIANGLE

Specifies a Triangle window.

## BLACKMAN

Specifies a Blackman window.

## **FetchRelativeTo**

## class niscope.FetchRelativeTo

## READ\_POINTER

The read pointer is set to zero when a new acquisition is initiated. After every fetch the read pointer is incremeted to be the sample after the last sample retrieved. Therefore, you can repeatedly fetch relative to the read pointer for a continuous acquisition program.

## PRETRIGGER

Fetches relative to the first pretrigger point requested with *niscope.Session*. *configure\_horizontal\_timing()*.

## NOW

Fetch data at the last sample acquired.

## START

Fetch data starting at the first point sampled by the digitizer.

#### TRIGGER

Fetch at the first posttrigger sample.

# FilterType

## class niscope.FilterType

## LOWPASS

Specifies lowpass as the filter type.

## HIGHPASS

Specifies highpass as the filter type.

## BANDPASS

Specifies bandpass as the filter type.

# BANDSTOP

Specifies bandstop as the filter type.

# FlexFIRAntialiasFilterType

## class niscope.FlexFIRAntialiasFilterType

#### FOURTYEIGHT\_TAP\_STANDARD

This filter is optimized for alias protection and frequency-domain flatness

# FOURTYEIGHT\_TAP\_HANNING

This filter is optimized for the lowest possible bandwidth for a 48 tap filter and maximizes the SNR

## SIXTEEN\_TAP\_HANNING

This filter is optimized for the lowest possible bandwidth for a 16 tap filter and maximizes the SNR

# EIGHT\_TAP\_HANNING

This filter is optimized for the lowest possible bandwidth for a 8 tap filter and maximizes the SNR

# GlitchCondition

## class niscope.GlitchCondition

## GREATER

Trigger on pulses with a duration greater than the specified glitch width.

## LESS

Trigger on pulses with a duration shorter than the specified glitch width.

# GlitchPolarity

## class niscope.GlitchPolarity

# POSITIVE

Trigger on pulses of positive polarity relative to the trigger threshold.

## NEGATIVE

Trigger on pulses of negative polarity relative to the trigger threshold.

## EITHER

Trigger on pulses of either positive or negative polarity.

# Option

class niscope.Option

SELF\_CALIBRATE\_ALL\_CHANNELS Self Calibrating all Channels

**RESTORE\_EXTERNAL\_CALIBRATION** Restore External Calibration.

## PercentageMethod

### class niscope.PercentageMethod

#### LOWHIGH

Specifies that the reference level percentages should be computed using the low/high method,

## MINMAX

Reference level percentages are computed using the min/max method.

#### BASETOP

Reference level percentages are computed using the base/top method.

## **RISMethod**

### class niscope.RISMethod

## EXACT\_NUM\_AVERAGES

Acquires exactly the specified number of records for each bin in the RIS acquisition. An error is returned from the fetch method if the RIS acquisition does not successfully acquire the specified number of waveforms within the timeout period. You may call the fetch method again to allow more time for the acquisition to finish.

## MIN\_NUM\_AVERAGES

Each RIS sample is the average of a least a minimum number of randomly distributed points.

### INCOMPLETE

Returns the RIS waveform after the specified timeout even if it is incomplete. If no waveforms have been acquired in certain bins, these bins will have a NaN (when fetching scaled data) or a zero (when fetching binary data). A warning (positive error code) is returned from the fetch method if the RIS acquisition did not finish. The acquisition aborts when data is returned.

## LIMITED\_BIN\_WIDTH

Limits the waveforms in the various bins to be within 200 ps of the center of the bin.

# RefLevelUnits

### class niscope.RefLevelUnits

#### VOLTS

Specifies that the reference levels are given in units of volts.

#### PERCENTAGE

(Default) Specifies that the reference levels are given in percentage units.

### **RefTriggerDetectorLocation**

#### class niscope.RefTriggerDetectorLocation

#### ANALOG\_DETECTION\_CIRCUIT

use the hardware analog circuitry to implement the reference trigger. This option will trigger before any onboard signal processing.

#### DDC\_OUTPUT

use the onboard signal processing logic to implement the reference trigger. This option will trigger based on the onboard signal processed data.

# **RuntPolarity**

### class niscope.RuntPolarity

#### POSITIVE

Trigger on pulses of positive polarity relative to *niscope.Session.runt\_low\_threshold* that do not cross *niscope.Session.runt\_high\_threshold*.

#### NEGATIVE

Trigger on pulses of negative polarity relative to *niscope.Session.runt\_high\_threshold* that do not cross *niscope.Session.runt\_low\_threshold*.

### EITHER

Trigger on pulses of either positive or negative polarity.

# **RuntTimeCondition**

#### class niscope.RuntTimeCondition

#### NONE

Time qualification is disabled. Trigger on runt pulses based solely on the voltage level of the pulses.

#### WITHIN

Trigger on pulses that, in addition to meeting runt voltage criteria, have a duration within the range bounded by niscope.Session.runt\_time\_low\_limit and niscope.Session.runt\_time\_high\_limit.

### OUTSIDE

Trigger on pulses that, in addition to meeting runt voltage criteria, have a duration not within the range bounded by niscope.Session.runt\_time\_low\_limit and niscope.Session.runt\_time\_high\_limit.

# **ScalarMeasurement**

class niscope.ScalarMeasurement

NO\_MEASUREMENT None RISE TIME FALL\_TIME FREQUENCY PERIOD VOLTAGE\_RMS VOLTAGE\_PEAK\_TO\_PEAK VOLTAGE\_MAX VOLTAGE\_MIN VOLTAGE\_HIGH VOLTAGE\_LOW VOLTAGE\_AVERAGE WIDTH\_NEG WIDTH\_POS DUTY\_CYCLE\_NEG DUTY\_CYCLE\_POS AMPLITUDE VOLTAGE\_CYCLE\_RMS VOLTAGE\_CYCLE\_AVERAGE OVERSHOOT PRESHOOT LOW\_REF\_VOLTS MID\_REF\_VOLTS HIGH\_REF\_VOLTS AREA CYCLE AREA INTEGRAL VOLTAGE\_BASE VOLTAGE\_TOP FFT\_FREQUENCY FFT\_AMPLITUDE RISE\_SLEW\_RATE

FALL\_SLEW\_RATE AC\_ESTIMATE DC\_ESTIMATE TIME\_DELAY AVERAGE\_PERIOD AVERAGE\_FREQUENCY VOLTAGE\_BASE\_TO\_TOP PHASE\_DELAY

# **TerminalConfiguration**

class niscope.TerminalConfiguration

SINGLE\_ENDED Channel is single ended

UNBALANCED\_DIFFERENTIAL Channel is unbalanced differential

DIFFERENTIAL Channel is differential

# TriggerCoupling

class niscope.TriggerCoupling

### AC

AC coupling

DC DC coupling

HF\_REJECT Highpass filter coupling

LF\_REJECT Lowpass filter coupling

AC\_PLUS\_HF\_REJECT Highpass and lowpass filter coupling

# **TriggerModifier**

class niscope.TriggerModifier

NO\_TRIGGER\_MOD

Normal triggering.

#### AUTO

Software will trigger an acquisition automatically if no trigger arrives after a certain amount of time.

AUTO LEVEL

### **TriggerSlope**

class niscope.TriggerSlope

#### NEGATIVE

Falling edge

#### POSITIVE Rising edge

SLOPE\_EITHER

# Either edge

# **TriggerType**

# class niscope.TriggerType

#### EDGE

Configures the digitizer for edge triggering. An edge trigger occurs when the trigger signal crosses the trigger level specified with the set trigger slope. You configure the trigger level and slope with *niscope*. Session.configure\_trigger\_edge().

### HYSTERESIS

Configures the digitizer for hysteresis triggering. A hysteresis trigger occurs when the trigger signal crosses the trigger level with the specified slope and passes through the hysteresis window you specify. You configure the trigger level, slope, and hysteresis with niscope.Session. configure\_trigger\_hysteresis().

#### DIGITAL

Configures the digitizer for digital triggering. A digital trigger occurs when the trigger sig-You configure the trigger slope with niscope.Session. nal has the specified slope. configure\_trigger\_digital().

#### WINDOW

Configures the digitizer for window triggering. A window trigger occurs when the trigger signal enters or leaves the window defined by the values you specify with the Low Window Level, High Window Level, and Window Mode Parameters. You configure the low window level high window level, and window mode with niscope.Session.configure\_trigger\_window().

#### SOFTWARE

Configures the digitizer for software triggering. A software trigger occurs when niscope.Session. SendSoftwareTrigger() is called.

TV

Configures the digitizer for video/TV triggering. You configure the video trigger parameters like signal Format, Line to trigger off of, Polarity, and Enable DC Restore with niscope.Session. configure\_trigger\_video().

#### GLITCH

#### WIDTH

# RUNT

# IMMEDIATE

Configures the digitizer for immediate triggering. An immediate trigger occurs as soon as the pretrigger samples are acquired.

# **TriggerWindowMode**

class niscope.TriggerWindowMode

# ENTERING

Trigger upon entering the window

### LEAVING

Trigger upon leaving the window

ENTERING\_OR\_LEAVING

# VerticalCoupling

class niscope.VerticalCoupling

# AC

AC coupling

### DC

DC coupling

### GND

GND coupling

# **VideoPolarity**

## class niscope.VideoPolarity

### POSITIVE

Specifies that the video signal has positive polarity.

### NEGATIVE

Specifies that the video signal has negative polarity.

# **VideoSignalFormat**

### class niscope.VideoSignalFormat

### NTSC

NTSC signal format supports line numbers from 1 to 525

# PAL

PAL signal format supports line numbers from 1 to 625

### SECAM

SECAM signal format supports line numbers from 1 to 625

M\_PAL

M-PAL signal format supports line numbers from 1 to 525

VIDEO\_4801\_59\_94\_FIELDS\_PER\_SECOND 480 lines, interlaced, 59.94 fields per second

VIDEO\_4801\_60\_FIELDS\_PER\_SECOND 480 lines, interlaced, 60 fields per second

VIDEO\_480P\_59\_94\_FRAMES\_PER\_SECOND 480 lines, progressive, 59.94 frames per second

VIDEO\_480P\_60\_FRAMES\_PER\_SECOND 480 lines, progressive,60 frames per second

VIDEO\_5761\_50\_FIELDS\_PER\_SECOND 576 lines, interlaced, 50 fields per second

VIDEO\_576P\_50\_FRAMES\_PER\_SECOND 576 lines, progressive, 50 frames per second

**VIDEO\_720P\_50\_FRAMES\_PER\_SECOND** 720 lines, progressive, 50 frames per second

VIDEO\_720P\_59\_94\_FRAMES\_PER\_SECOND 720 lines, progressive, 59.94 frames per second

VIDEO\_720P\_60\_FRAMES\_PER\_SECOND 720 lines, progressive, 60 frames per second

VIDEO\_10801\_50\_FIELDS\_PER\_SECOND 1,080 lines, interlaced, 50 fields per second

VIDEO\_10801\_59\_94\_FIELDS\_PER\_SECOND 1,080 lines, interlaced, 59.94 fields per second

VIDEO\_10801\_60\_FIELDS\_PER\_SECOND 1,080 lines, interlaced, 60 fields per second

VIDEO\_1080P\_24\_FRAMES\_PER\_SECOND 1,080 lines, progressive, 24 frames per second

# **VideoTriggerEvent**

class niscope.VideoTriggerEvent

#### FIELD1

Trigger on field 1 of the signal

### FIELD2

Trigger on field 2 of the signal

### ANY\_FIELD

Trigger on the first field acquired

### ANY\_LINE

Trigger on the first line acquired

#### LINE\_NUMBER

Trigger on a specific line of a video signal. Valid values vary depending on the signal format configured.

# WhichTrigger

class niscope.WhichTrigger

START

ARM\_REFERENCE

REFERENCE

ADVANCE

# WidthCondition

class niscope.WidthCondition

#### WITHIN

Trigger on pulses with a duration within the range bounded by niscope.Session. width\_low\_threshold and niscope.Session.width\_high\_threshold.

#### OUTSIDE

Trigger on pulses with a duration not within the range bounded by niscope.Session. width\_low\_threshold and niscope.Session.width\_high\_threshold.

# **WidthPolarity**

class niscope.WidthPolarity

### POSITIVE

Trigger on pulses of positive polarity relative to the trigger threshold.

#### NEGATIVE

Trigger on pulses of negative polarity relative to the trigger threshold.

#### EITHER

Trigger on pulses of either positive or negative polarity.

### **Exceptions and Warnings**

# Error

**exception** niscope.errors.**Error** Base exception type that all NI-SCOPE exceptions derive from

# DriverError

**exception** niscope.errors.**DriverError** An error originating from the NI-SCOPE driver

# **UnsupportedConfigurationError**

**exception** niscope.errors.**UnsupportedConfigurationError** An error due to using this module in an usupported platform.

# **DriverNotInstalledError**

**exception** niscope.errors.**DriverNotInstalledError** An error due to using this module without the driver runtime installed.

### InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError

**exception** niscope.errors.**InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError** An error due to an invalid character in a repeated capability

# SelfTestError

**exception** niscope.errors.**SelfTestError** An error due to a failed self-test

# **DriverWarning**

**exception** niscope.errors.**DriverWarning** A warning originating from the NI-SCOPE driver

### **Examples**

You can download all niscope examples here

# niscope\_fetch.py

Listing 14: (niscope\_fetch.py)

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
   import argparse
3
   import niscope
4
   import pprint
5
   import sys
6
7
   pp = pprint.PrettyPrinter(indent=4, width=80)
8
9
10
   def example(resource_name, channels, options, length, voltage):
11
       with niscope.Session(resource_name=resource_name, options=options) as session:
12
           session.configure_vertical(range=voltage, coupling=niscope.VerticalCoupling.
13
   →AC)
           session.configure_horizontal_timing(min_sample_rate=50000000, min_num_
14
   →pts=length, ref_position=50.0, num_records=1, enforce_realtime=True)
```

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```
with session.initiate():
15
                waveforms = session.channels[channels].fetch(num_samples=length)
16
            for i in range(len(waveforms)):
17
                print('Waveform {0} information:'.format(i))
18
                print(str(waveforms[i]) + '\n\n')
19
20
21
   def _main(argsv):
22
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Acquires one record from the given_
23

channels.', formatter_class=argparse.ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource_
24
   ↔name of a National Instruments Digitizer')
       parser.add_argument('-c', '--channels', default='0', help='Channel(s) to use')
25
       parser.add_argument('-1', '--length', default=1000, type=int, help='Measure...
26
   \rightarrow record length')
       parser.add_argument('-v', '--voltage', default=1.0, type=float, help='Voltage_
27
   \leftrightarrowrange (V)')
       parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option.
28
    \leftrightarrow string')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
29
       example (args.resource_name, args.channels, args.option_string, args.length, args.
30
   \rightarrowvoltage)
31
32
   def main():
33
34
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
35
36
   def test_example():
37
       options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '5164', 'BoardType': 'PXIe
38
   \rightarrow ', }, }
       example('PXI1Slot2', '0', options, 1000, 1.0)
39
40
41
   def test main():
42
       cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:5164; BoardType:PXIe
43
   →', ]
44
       _main(cmd_line)
45
46
47
   if name == ' main ':
48
       main()
49
```

### niscope\_fetch\_forever.py

Listing 15: (niscope\_fetch\_forever.py)

```
1 #!/usr/bin/python
2
3 import argparse
4 import hightime
5 import niscope
6 import numpy as np
```

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```
import pprint
7
   import sys
8
0
10
   pp = pprint.PrettyPrinter(indent=4, width=80)
11
12
13
   # We use fetch_into which allows us to allocate a single buffer per channel and
14
   ↔ "fetch into" it a section at a time without having to
   # reconstruct the waveform once we are done
15
   def example (resource_name, options, total_acquisition_time_in_seconds, voltage,
16

where the sample rate in hz, samples per fetch):

17
       total_samples = int(total_acquisition_time_in_seconds * sample_rate_in_hz)
       # 1. Opening session
18
       with niscope.Session(resource_name=resource_name, options=options) as session:
19
            # We will acquire on all channels of the device
20
           channel_list = [c for c in range(session.channel_count)] # Need an actual_
21
   →list and not a range
22
            # 2. Creating numpy arrays
23
           waveforms = [np.ndarray(total_samples, dtype=np.float64) for c in channel_
24
   →list]
25
            # 3. Configuring
26
           session.configure_horizontal_timing(min_sample_rate=sample_rate_in_hz, min_
27
   unum_pts=1, ref_position=0.0, num_records=1, enforce_realtime=True)
           session.channels[channel_list].configure_vertical(voltage, coupling=niscope.
28
   →VerticalCoupling.DC, enabled=True)
           # Configure software trigger, but never send the trigger.
29
            # This starts an infinite acquisition, until you call session.abort() or...
30
    \rightarrow session.close()
31
           session.configure_trigger_software()
           current_pos = 0
32
            # 4. initiating
33
           with session.initiate():
34
               while current_pos < total_samples:</pre>
35
                    # We fetch each channel at a time so we don't have to de-interleave_
36
    \rightarrow afterwards
37
                    # We do not keep the wfm_info returned from fetch_into
                    for channel, waveform in zip(channel_list, waveforms):
38
                        # 5. fetching - we return the slice of the waveform array that we.
39
   →want to "fetch into"
                        session.channels[channel].fetch_into(waveform[current_pos:current_
40

--pos + samples_per_fetch], relative_to=niscope.FetchRelativeTo.READ_POINTER,
41
                                                               offset=0, record_number=0,...
    →num_records=1, timeout=hightime.timedelta(seconds=5.0))
                    current_pos += samples_per_fetch
42
43
44
45
   def __main(argsv):
      parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Fetch more samples than will fit in...
46
   parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource...
47
   ↔ name of a National Instruments Digitizer')
       parser.add_argument('-t', '--time', default=10, type=int, help='Time to sample (s)
48
   → ' )
       parser.add_argument('-v', '--voltage', default=1.0, type=float, help='Voltage
49
                                                                               (continues on next page)
    \rightarrow range (V)')
```

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```

```
parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option_
50
             \leftrightarrow string')
                         parser.add_argument('-r', '--sample-rate', default=1000.0, type=float, help=
51
             → 'Sample Rate (Hz) ')
                         parser.add_argument('-s', '--samples-per-fetch', default=100, type=int, help=
52
             → 'Samples per fetch')
                         args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
53
                          example(args.resource_name, args.option_string, args.time, args.voltage, args.
54

where the sample of the 
55
56
           def main():
57
58
                         _main(sys.argv[1:])
59
60
           def test_example():
61
                         options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '5164', 'BoardType': 'PXIe
62
             \leftrightarrow ', }, }
                          example('PXI1Slot2', options, 10, 1.0, 1000.0, 100)
63
64
65
           def test main():
66
                         cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:5164; BoardType:PXIe
67
             →',]
                         _main(cmd_line)
68
69
70
           if __name__ == '__main__':
71
                         main()
72
73
```

### niscope\_read.py

Listing 16: (niscope\_read.py)

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
   import argparse
3
   import niscope
4
   import pprint
5
   import sys
6
7
   pp = pprint.PrettyPrinter(indent=4, width=80)
8
10
   def example(resource_name, channels, options, length, voltage):
11
       with niscope.Session(resource_name=resource_name, options=options) as session:
12
           session.configure_vertical(range=voltage, coupling=niscope.VerticalCoupling.
13
   →AC)
           session.configure_horizontal_timing(min_sample_rate=50000000, min_num_
14
   →pts=length, ref_position=50.0, num_records=1, enforce_realtime=True)
           waveforms = session.channels[channels].read(num_samples=length)
15
           for i in range(len(waveforms)):
16
               print('Waveform {0} information:'.format(i))
17
```

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```
print(str(waveforms[i]) + '\n\n')
18
19
20
   def _main(argsv):
21
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Acquires one record from the given_
22
   parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource.
23
   ↔ name of a National Instruments Digitizer')
       parser.add_argument('-c', '--channels', default='0', help='Channel(s) to use')
24
       parser.add_argument('-1', '--length', default=1000, type=int, help='Measure_
25
   \rightarrow record length')
       parser.add_argument('-v', '--voltage', default=1.0, type=float, help='Voltage.
26
   \leftrightarrow range (V) ')
       parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option_
27
   \leftrightarrow string')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
28
       example(args.resource_name, args.channels, args.option_string, args.length, args.
29
   →voltage)
30
31
   def main():
32
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
33
34
35
   def test_example():
36
       options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '5164', 'BoardType': 'PXIe
37
   \leftrightarrow ', }, }
       example('PXI1Slot2', '0', options, 1000, 1.0)
38
39
40
41
   def test_main():
       cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:5164; BoardType:PXIe
42
   \hookrightarrow ', ]
       _main(cmd_line)
43
44
45
   if __name__ == '__main__':
46
       main()
47
48
```

# 7.6 niswitch module

# 7.6.1 Installation

As a prerequisite to using the niswitch module, you must install the NI-SWITCH runtime on your system. Visit ni.com/downloads to download the driver runtime for your devices.

The nimi-python modules (i.e. for NI-SWITCH) can be installed with pip:

\$ python -m pip install niswitch~=1.3.3

Or easy\_install from setuptools:

```
> python -m easy_install niswitch
```

# 7.6.2 Usage

The following is a basic example of using the **niswitch** module to open a session to a Switch and connect channels.

```
import niswitch
with niswitch.Session("Dev1") as session:
    session.connect(channel1='r0', channel2='c0')
```

Additional examples for NI-SWITCH are located in src/niswitch/examples/ directory.

# 7.6.3 API Reference

# Session

```
class niswitch.Session (self, resource_name, topology="Configured Topology", simulate=False, reset device=False)
```

Returns a session handle used to identify the switch in all subsequent instrument driver calls and sets the topology of the switch. niswitch.Session.\_\_init\_\_\_() creates a new IVI instrument driver session for the switch specified in the resourceName parameter. The driver uses the topology specified in the topology parameter and overrides the topology specified in MAX. Note: When initializing an NI SwitchBlock device with topology, you must specify the toplogy created when you configured the device in MAX, using either NISWITCH\_TOPOLOGY\_CONFIGURED\_TOPOLOGY or the toplogy string of the device. Refer to the Initializing with Toplogy for NI SwitchBlock Devices topic in the NI Switches Help for information about determining the topology string of an NI SwitchBlock device. By default, the switch is reset to a known state. Enable simulation by specifying the topology and setting the simulate parameter to True.

# Parameters

- **resource\_name** (*str*) Resource name of the switch module to initialize. Default value: None Syntax: Optional fields are shown in square brackets ([]). Configured in MAX Under Valid Syntax Devices and Interfaces DeviceName Traditional NI-DAQ Devices SCXI[chassis ID]::slot number PXI System PXI[bus number]::device number TIP: IVI logical names are also valid for the resource name. Default values for optional fields: chassis ID = 1 bus number = 0 Example resource names: Resource Name Description SC1Mod3 NI-DAQmx module in chassis "SC1" slot 3 MySwitch NI-DAQmx module renamed to "MySwitch" SCXI1::3 Traditional NI-DAQ module in chassis 1, slot 3 SCXI::3 Traditional NI-DAQ module in chassis 1, slot 3 PXI0::16 PXI bus 0, device number 16 PXI::16 PXI bus 0, device number 16
- topology (str) – Pass the topology name for you want to use the you specify with Resource Name parameter. You switch can also NISWITCH TOPOLOGY CONFIGURED TOPOLOGY pass to use last that was configured for the device in MAX. the topology Default Value: NISWITCH TOPOLOGY CONFIGURED TOPOLOGY Valid Values: NISWITCH\_TOPOLOGY\_1127\_1\_WIRE\_64X1\_MUX NISWITCH\_TOPOLOGY\_1127\_2\_WIRE\_32X1\_MUX NISWITCH\_TOPOLOGY\_1127\_2\_WIRE\_4X8\_MATR NISWITCH TOPOLOGY 1127 4 WIRE 16X1 MUX NISWITCH TOPOLOGY 1127 INDEPENDENT NISWITCH TOPOLOGY 1128 1 WIRE 64X1 MUX NISWITCH TOPOLOGY 1128 2 WIRE 32X1 MUX NISWITCH TOPOLOGY 1128 2 WIRE 4X8 MATRIX NISWITCH\_TOPOLOGY\_1128\_4\_WIRE\_16X1\_MUX NISWITCH\_TOPOLOGY\_1128\_INDEPENDENT NISWITCH\_TOPOLOGY\_1129\_2\_WIRE\_16X16\_MATRIX

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- **simulate** (bool) Enables simulation of the switch module specified in the resource name parameter. Valid Values: True simulate False Don't simulate (Default Value)
- **reset\_device** (*bool*) Specifies whether to reset the switch module during the initialization process. Valid Values: True Reset Device (Default Value) False Currently unsupported. The device will not reset.

### **Methods**

### abort

```
niswitch.Session.abort()
```

Aborts the scan in progress. Initiate a scan with *niswitch.Session.initiate()*. If the switch module is not scanning, NISWITCH\_ERROR\_NO\_SCAN\_IN\_PROGRESS error is returned.

### can\_connect

#### niswitch.Session.can\_connect(channel1, channel2)

Verifies that a path between channel 1 and channel 2 can be created. If a path is possible in the switch module, the availability of that path is returned given the existing connections. If the path is possible but in use, a NISWITCH\_WARN\_IMPLICIT\_CONNECTION\_EXISTS warning is returned.

#### Parameters

- **channel1** (*str*) Input one of the channel names of the desired path. Pass the other channel name as the channel 2 parameter. Refer to Devices Overview for valid channel names for the switch module. Examples of valid channel names: ch0, com0, ab0, r1, c2, cjtemp Default value: ""
- **channel2** (*str*) Input one of the channel names of the desired path. Pass the other channel name as the channel 1 parameter. Refer to Devices Overview for valid channel names for the switch module. Examples of valid channel names: ch0, com0, ab0, r1, c2, cjtemp Default value: ""

### Return type niswitch.PathCapability

### Returns

Indicates whether a path is valid. Possible values include:

- PATH\_AVAILABLE 1
- PATH\_EXISTS 2
- PATH\_UNSUPPORTED 3
- RESOURCE\_IN\_USE 4

- SOURCE\_CONFLICT 5
- CHANNEL\_NOT\_AVAILABLE 6

Notes: (1) *PATH\_AVAILABLE* indicates that the driver can create the path at this time. (2) *PATH\_EXISTS* indicates that the path already exists. (3) *PATH\_UNSUPPORTED* indicates that the instrument is not capable of creating a path between the channels you specify. (4) *RESOURCE\_IN\_USE* indicates that although the path is valid, the driver cannot create the path at this moment because the switch device is currently using one or more of the required channels to create another path. You must destroy the other path before creating this one. (5) *SOURCE\_CONFLICT* indicates that the instrument cannot create a path because both channels are connected to a different source channel. (6) *CHANNEL\_NOT\_AVAILABLE* indicates that the driver cannot create a path between the two channels because one of the channels is a configuration channel and thus unavailable for external connections.

#### close

```
niswitch.Session.close()
```

Terminates the NI-SWITCH session and all of its properties and deallocates any memory resources the driver uses. Notes: (1) You must unlock the session before calling niswitch.Session.\_close(), you cannot use the instrument driver again until you call niswitch.Session.init() or niswitch.Session. InitWithOptions().

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

Note: This method is not needed when using the session context manager

#### commit

```
niswitch.Session.commit()
```

Downloads the configured scan list and trigger settings to hardware. Calling *niswitch*. Session.commit() optional as it is implicitly called during *niswitch*.Session. initiate(). Use *niswitch*.Session.commit() to arm triggers in a given order or to control when expensive hardware operations are performed.

#### connect

niswitch.Session.connect(channel1, channel2)

Creates a path between channel 1 and channel 2. The driver calculates and uses the shortest path between the two channels. Refer to Immediate Operations for information about Channel Usage types. If a path is not available, the method returns one - NISWITCH\_ERROR\_EXPLICIT\_CONNECTION\_EXISTS, of the following errors: if the two channels are already explicitly connected by calling either the niswitch. niswitch.Session.set\_path() Session.connect() method. or NISWITCH\_ERROR\_IS\_CONFIGURATION\_CHANNEL, if a channel is a configuration channel. Error elaboration contains information about which of the two channels is a configuration channel. - NISWITCH ERROR ATTEMPT TO CONNECT SOURCES, if both channels are connected to a different source. Error elaboration contains information about sources channel 1 and 2 connect to. - NISWITCH\_ERROR\_CANNOT\_CONNECT\_TO\_ITSELF, if channels 1 and 2 are one and the same channel. - NISWITCH\_ERROR\_PATH\_NOT\_FOUND, if the driver cannot find a path between the two channels. Note: Paths are bidirectional. For example, if a path exists between channels CH1 and CH2, then the path also exists between channels CH2 and CH1.

#### **Parameters**

- **channel1** (*str*) Input one of the channel names of the desired path. Pass the other channel name as the channel 2 parameter. Refer to Devices Overview for valid channel names for the switch module. Examples of valid channel names: ch0, com0, ab0, r1, c2, cjtemp Default value: None
- **channel2** (*str*) Input one of the channel names of the desired path. Pass the other channel name as the channel 1 parameter. Refer to Devices Overview for valid channel names for the switch module. Examples of valid channel names: ch0, com0, ab0, r1, c2, cjtemp Default value: None

### connect\_multiple

#### niswitch.Session.connect\_multiple(connection\_list)

Creates the connections between channels specified in Connection List. Specify connections with two endpoints only or the explicit path between two endpoints. NI-SWITCH calculates and uses the shortest path between the channels. Refer to Setting Source and Configuration Channels for information about channel usage types. In the event of an error, connecting stops at the point in the list where the error occurred. If a path is not available, the method returns one of the following errors: - NISWITCH\_ERROR\_EXPLICIT\_CONNECTION\_EXISTS, if the two channels are already explicitly connected. - NISWITCH\_ERROR\_IS\_CONFIGURATION\_CHANNEL, if a channel is a configuration channel. Error elaboration contains information about which of the two channels is a configuration channel. - NISWITCH\_ERROR\_ATTEMPT\_TO\_CONNECT\_SOURCES, if both channels are connected to a different source. Error elaboration contains information about sources channel 1 and 2 to connect. - NISWITCH\_ERROR\_CANNOT\_CONNECT\_TO\_ITSELF, if channels 1 and 2 are one and the same channel. - NISWITCH\_ERROR\_PATH\_NOT\_FOUND, if the driver cannot find a path between the two channels. Note: Paths are bidirectional. For example, if a path exists between channels ch1 and ch2, then the path also exists between channels ch1 and ch2.

**Parameters connection\_list** (str) – Connection List specifies a list of connections between channels to make. NI-SWITCH validates the connection list, and aborts execution of the list if errors are returned. Refer to Connection and Disconnection List Syntax for valid connection list syntax and examples. Refer to Devices Overview for valid channel names for the switch module. Example of a valid connection list: c0 -> r1, [c2 -> r2 -> c3] In this example, r2 is a configuration channel. Default value: None

### disable

```
niswitch.Session.disable()
```

Places the switch module in a quiescent state where it has minimal or no impact on the system to which it is connected. All channels are disconnected and any scan in progress is aborted.

# disconnect

```
niswitch.Session.disconnect(channel1, channel2)
```

This method destroys the path between two channels that you create with the niswitch.

Session.connect() or niswitch.Session.set\_path() method. If a path is not connected or not available, the method returns the IVISWTCH\_ERROR\_NO\_SUCH\_PATH error.

#### Parameters

- **channel1** (*str*) Input one of the channel names of the path to break. Pass the other channel name as the channel 2 parameter. Refer to Devices Overview for valid channel names for the switch module. Examples of valid channel names: ch0, com0, ab0, r1, c2, cjtemp Default value: None
- **channel2** (*str*) Input one of the channel names of the path to break. Pass the other channel name as the channel 1 parameter. Refer to Devices Overview for valid channel names for the switch module. Examples of valid channel names: ch0, com0, ab0, r1, c2, cjtemp Default value: None

### disconnect\_all

```
niswitch.Session.disconnect_all()
```

Breaks all existing paths. If the switch module cannot break all paths, NISWITCH\_WARN\_PATH\_REMAINS warning is returned.

### disconnect\_multiple

niswitch.Session.disconnect\_multiple(disconnection\_list)

Breaks the connections between channels specified in Disconnection List. If no connections exist between channels, NI-SWITCH returns an error. In the event of an error, the VI stops at the point in the list where the error occurred.

**Parameters disconnection\_list** (str)-Disconnection List specifies a list of connections between channels to break. NI-SWITCH validates the disconnection list, and aborts execution of the list if errors are returned. Refer to Connection and Disconnection List Syntax for valid disconnection list syntax and examples. Refer to Devices Overview for valid channel names for the switch module. Example of a valid disconnection list:  $c0 \rightarrow r1$ ,  $[c2 \rightarrow r2 \rightarrow c3]$  In this example, r2 is a configuration channel. Default value: None

#### get\_channel\_name

```
niswitch.Session.get_channel_name (index)
```

Returns the channel string that is in the channel table at the specified index. Use *niswitch*. *Session.get\_channel\_name()* in a For Loop to get a complete list of valid channel names for the switch module. Use the Channel Count property to determine the number of channels.

**Parameters index** (*int*) – A 1-based index into the channel table. Default value: 1 Maximum value: Value of Channel Count property.

#### Return type str

Returns Returns the channel name that is in the channel table at the index you specify.

# get\_path

```
niswitch.Session.get_path(channel1, channel2)
```

Returns a string that identifies the explicit path created with niswitch.Session.connect().

Pass this string to *niswitch.Session.set\_path()* to establish the exact same path in future connections. In some cases, multiple paths are available between two channels. When you call *niswitch.Session.connect()*, the driver selects an available path. With *niswitch. Session.connect()*, there is no guarantee that the driver selected path will always be the same path through the switch module. *niswitch.Session.get\_path()* only returns those paths explicitly created by niSwitch Connect Channels or *niswitch.Session.set\_path()*. For example, if you connect channels CH1 and CH3, and then channels CH2 and CH3, an explicit path between channels CH1 and CH2 does not exist an error is returned

### Parameters

- **channel1** (*str*) Input one of the channel names of the desired path. Pass the other channel name as the channel 2 parameter. Refer to Devices Overview for valid channel names for the switch module. Examples of valid channel names: ch0, com0, ab0, r1, c2, cjtemp Default value: ""
- **channel2** (*str*) Input one of the channel names of the desired path. Pass the other channel name as the channel 1 parameter. Refer to Devices Overview for valid channel names for the switch module. Examples of valid channel names: ch0, com0, ab0, r1, c2, cjtemp Default value: ""

#### Return type str

**Returns** A string composed of comma-separated paths between channel 1 and channel 2. The first and last names in the path are the endpoints of the path. All other channels in the path are configuration channels. Examples of returned paths: ch0->com0, com0->ab0

# get\_relay\_count

#### niswitch.Session.get\_relay\_count (relay\_name)

Returns the number of times the relay has changed from Closed to Open. Relay count is useful for tracking relay lifetime and usage. Call *niswitch.Session.wait\_for\_debounce()* before *niswitch.Session.get\_relay\_count()* to ensure an accurate count. Refer to the Relay Count topic in the NI Switches Help to determine if the switch module supports relay counting.

**Parameters relay\_name** (*str*) – Name of the relay. Default value: None Examples of valid relay names: ch0, ab0, 1wire, hlselect Refer to Devices Overview for a list of valid relay names for the switch module.

### Return type int

**Returns** The number of relay cycles.

### get\_relay\_name

#### niswitch.Session.get\_relay\_name(index)

Returns the relay name string that is in the relay list at the specified index. Use *niswitch*. *Session.get\_relay\_name()* in a For Loop to get a complete list of valid relay names for the switch module. Use the Number of Relays property to determine the number of relays.

**Parameters index** (*int*) – A 1-based index into the channel table. Default value: 1 Maximum value: Value of Channel Count property.

#### Return type str

**Returns** Returns the relay name for the index you specify.

# get\_relay\_position

```
niswitch.Session.get_relay_position(relay_name)
```

Returns the relay position for the relay specified in the Relay Name parameter.

**Parameters relay\_name** (*str*) – Name of the relay. Default value: None Examples of valid relay names: ch0, ab0, 1wire, hlselect Refer to Devices Overview for a list of valid relay names for the switch module.

Return type niswitch.RelayPosition

Returns Indicates whether the relay is open or closed. OPEN 10 CLOSED 11

# initiate

```
niswitch.Session.initiate()
```

Commits the configured scan list and trigger settings to hardware and initiates the scan. If niSwitch Commit was called earlier, niSwitch Initiate Scan only initiates the scan and returns immediately. Once the scanning operation begins, you cannot perform any other operation other than GetAttribute, AbortScan, or SendSoftwareTrigger. All other methods return NISWITCH\_ERROR\_SCAN\_IN\_PROGRESS. To stop the scanning operation, To stop the scanning operation, call *niswitch.Session.abort()*.

**Note:** This method will return a Python context manager that will initiate on entering and abort on exit.

# lock

niswitch.Session.lock()

Obtains a multithread lock on the device session. Before doing so, the software waits until all other execution threads release their locks on the device session.

Other threads may have obtained a lock on this session for the following reasons:

- The application called the *niswitch.Session.lock()* method.
- A call to NI-SWITCH locked the session.
- After a call to the *niswitch.Session.lock()* method returns successfully, no other threads can access the device session until you call the *niswitch.Session.unlock()* method or exit out of the with block when using lock context manager.
- Use the *niswitch.Session.lock()* method and the *niswitch.Session.unlock()* method around a sequence of calls to instrument driver methods if you require that the device retain its settings through the end of the sequence.

You can safely make nested calls to the *niswitch.Session.lock()* method within the same thread. To completely unlock the session, you must balance each call to the *niswitch.Session.lock()* method with a call to the *niswitch.Session.unlock()* method.

One method for ensuring there are the same number of unlock method calls as there is lock calls is to use lock as a context manager

```
with niswitch.Session('dev1') as session:
    with session.lock():
        # Calls to session within a single lock context
```

The first with block ensures the session is closed regardless of any exceptions raised

The second with block ensures that unlock is called regardless of any exceptions raised

#### Return type context manager

**Returns** When used in a *with* statement, *niswitch.Session.lock()* acts as a context manager and unlock will be called when the *with* block is exited

# relay\_control

niswitch.Session.relay\_control(relay\_name, relay\_action)

Controls individual relays of the switch. When controlling individual relays, the protection offered by setting the usage of source channels and configuration channels, and by enabling or disabling analog bus sharing on the NI SwitchBlock, does not apply. Refer to the device book for your switch in the NI Switches Help to determine if the switch supports individual relay control.

#### **Parameters**

- **relay\_name** (*str*) Name of the relay. Default value: None Examples of valid relay names: ch0, ab0, 1wire, hlselect Refer to Devices Overview for a list of valid relay names for the switch module.
- **relay\_action** (*niswitch.RelayAction*) Specifies whether to open or close a given relay. Default value: Relay Close Defined values: *OPEN CLOSE* (Default Value)

#### reset

```
niswitch.Session.reset()
```

Disconnects all created paths and returns the switch module to the state at initialization. Configuration channel and source channel settings remain unchanged.

### reset\_with\_defaults

```
niswitch.Session.reset_with_defaults()
```

Resets the switch module and applies initial user specified settings from the logical name used to initialize the session. If the session was created without a logical name, this method is equivalent to <code>niswitch.Session.reset()</code>.

#### route\_scan\_advanced\_output

invert=False)

Routes the scan advanced output trigger from a trigger bus line (TTLx) to the front or rear connector.

#### **Parameters**

• scan\_advanced\_output\_connector (niswitch. ScanAdvancedOutput) - The scan advanced trigger destination. Valid locations are the FRONTCONNECTOR and REARCONNECTOR. Default value: FRONTCONNECTOR

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

• scan\_advanced\_output\_bus\_line (niswitch. ScanAdvancedOutput) - The trigger line to route the scan advanced output trigger from the front or rear connector. Select NONE to break an existing route. Default value: None Valid Values: NONE TTL0 TTL1 TTL2 TTL3 TTL4 TTL5 TTL6 TTL7

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

• **invert** (*bool*) – If True, inverts the input trigger signal from falling to rising or vice versa. Default value: False

#### route\_trigger\_input

```
niswitch.Session.route_trigger_input (trigger_input_connector, trig-
ger_input_bus_line, invert=False)
Routes the input trigger from the front or rear connector to a trigger bus line (TTLx). To disconnect
```

the route, call this method again and specify None for trigger bus line parameter.

#### **Parameters**

• trigger\_input\_connector (*niswitch.TriggerInput*) – The location of the input trigger source on the switch module. Valid locations are the *FRONTCONNECTOR* and *REARCONNECTOR*. Default value: *FRONTCONNECTOR* 

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

• trigger\_input\_bus\_line (*niswitch.TriggerInput*) - The trigger line to route the input trigger. Select NISWITCH\_VAL\_NONE to break an existing route. Default value: None Valid Values: NISWITCH\_VAL\_NONE TTL0 TTL1 TTL2 TTL3 TTL4 TTL5 TTL6 TTL7

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

• **invert** (*bool*) – If True, inverts the input trigger signal from falling to rising or vice versa. Default value: False

### self\_test

#### niswitch.Session.self\_test()

Verifies that the driver can communicate with the switch module.

Raises SelfTestError on self test failure. Properties on exception object:

- code failure code from driver
- message status message from driver

Self-Test Code	Description
0	Passed self-test
1	Self-test failed

### send\_software\_trigger

#### niswitch.Session.send\_software\_trigger()

Sends a software trigger to the switch module specified in the NI-SWITCH session. When the trigger input is set to *SOFTWARE\_TRIG* through either the niswitch.Session. ConfigureScanTrigger() or the *niswitch.Session.trigger\_input* property, the scan does not proceed from a semi-colon (wait for trigger) until *niswitch.Session. send\_software\_trigger()* is called.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

#### set\_path

niswitch.Session.set\_path(path\_list)

Connects two channels by specifying an explicit path in the path list parameter. *niswitch*. *Session.set\_path()* is particularly useful where path repeatability is important, such as in calibrated signal paths. If this is not necessary, use *niswitch.Session.connect()*.

**Parameters path\_list** (*str*) – A string composed of comma-separated paths between channel 1 and channel 2. The first and last names in the path are the endpoints of the path. Every other channel in the path are configuration channels. Example of a valid path list string: ch0->com0, com0->ab0. In this example, com0 is a configuration channel. Default value: None Obtain the path list for a previously created path with *niswitch.Session.get\_path()*.

# unlock

niswitch.Session.unlock()

Releases a lock that you acquired on an device session using *niswitch.Session.lock()*. Refer to *niswitch.Session.unlock()* for additional information on session locks.

## wait\_for\_debounce

niswitch.Session.wait\_for\_debounce(maximum\_time\_ms=hightime.timedelta(milliseconds=5000)) Pauses until all created paths have settled. If the time you specify with the Maximum Time (ms) parameter elapsed before the switch paths have settled, this method returns the NISWITCH\_ERROR\_MAX\_TIME\_EXCEEDED error.

**Parameters maximum\_time\_ms** (hightime.timedelta, datetime. timedelta, or int in milliseconds) - Specifies the maximum length of time to wait for all relays in the switch module to activate or deactivate. If the specified time elapses before all relays active or deactivate, a timeout error is returned. Default Value:5000 ms

### wait\_for\_scan\_complete

niswitch.Session.wait\_for\_scan\_complete(maximum\_time\_ms=hightime.timedelta(milliseconds=5000))
Pauses until the switch module stops scanning or the maximum time has elapsed and
returns a timeout error. If the time you specify with the Maximum Time (ms) parameter elapsed before the scanning operation has finished, this method returns the
NISWITCH\_ERROR\_MAX\_TIME\_EXCEEDED error.

**Parameters maximum\_time\_ms** (hightime.timedelta, datetime. timedelta, or int in milliseconds) - Specifies the maximum length of time to wait for the switch module to stop scanning. If the specified time elapses before the scan ends, NISWITCH\_ERROR\_MAX\_TIME\_EXCEEDED error is returned. Default Value:5000 ms

#### **Properties**

### analog\_bus\_sharing\_enable

#### niswitch.Session.analog\_bus\_sharing\_enable

Enables or disables sharing of an analog bus line so that multiple NI SwitchBlock devices may connect to it simultaneously. To enable multiple NI SwitchBlock devices to share an analog bus line, set this property to True for each device on the channel that corresponds with the shared analog bus line. The default value for all devices is False, which disables sharing of the analog bus. Refer to the Using the Analog Bus on an NI SwitchBlock Carrier topic in the NI Switches Help for more information about sharing the analog bus.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

LabVIEW Property: Channel Configuration: Analog Bus Sharing Enable

# • C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_ANALOG\_BUS\_SHARING\_ENABLE

### bandwidth

### niswitch.Session.bandwidth

This channel-based property returns the bandwidth for the channel. The units are hertz.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Bandwidth
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_BANDWIDTH

# channel\_count

Indicates the number of channels that the specific instrument driver supports.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Capabilities:Channel Count
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_CHANNEL\_COUNT

niswitch.Session.channel\_count

# characteristic\_impedance

niswitch.Session.characteristic\_impedance

This channel-based property returns the characteristic impedance for the channel. The units are ohms.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics: Characteristic Impedance
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_CHARACTERISTIC\_IMPEDANCE

# continuous\_scan

niswitch.Session.continuous\_scan

When a switch device is scanning, the swich can either stop scanning when the end of the scan (False) or continue scanning from the top of the scan list again (True). Notice that if you set the scan to continuous (True), the Wait For Scan Complete operation will always time out and you must call Abort to stop the scan.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration: Continuous Scan
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_CONTINUOUS\_SCAN

# digital\_filter\_enable

### niswitch.Session.digital\_filter\_enable

This property specifies whether to apply the pulse width filter to the Trigger Input. Enabling the Digital Filter (True) prevents the switch module from being triggered by pulses that are less than 150 ns on PXI trigger lines 0–7. When Digital Filter is disabled (False), it is possible for the switch module to be triggered by noise on the PXI trigger lines. If the device triggering the switch is capable of sending pulses greater than 150 ns, you should not disable the Digital Filter.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration:Digital Filter Enable
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_DIGITAL\_FILTER\_ENABLE

### driver\_setup

#### niswitch.Session.driver\_setup

This property indicates the Driver Setup string that the user specified when initializing the driver. Some cases exist where the end-user must specify instrument driver options at initialization time. An example of this is specifying a particular instrument model from among a family of instruments that the driver supports. This is useful when using simulation. The end-user can specify driverspecific options through the DriverSetup keyword in the optionsString parameter to the niswitch. Session.InitWithOptions() method, or through the IVI Configuration Utility. If the user does not specify a Driver Setup string, this property returns an empty string.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Advanced Session Information:Driver Setup

• C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_DRIVER\_SETUP

# handshaking\_initiation

### niswitch.Session.handshaking\_initiation

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.HandshakingInitiation
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration: Handshaking Initiation
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_HANDSHAKING\_INITIATION

### instrument\_firmware\_revision

#### niswitch.Session.instrument\_firmware\_revision

A string that contains the firmware revision information for the instrument you are currently using.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Firmware Revision
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_FIRMWARE\_REVISION

# instrument\_manufacturer

# niswitch.Session.instrument\_manufacturer

A string that contains the name of the instrument manufacturer you are currently using.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Manufacturer
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MANUFACTURER

# instrument\_model

### niswitch.Session.instrument\_model

A string that contains the model number or name of the instrument that you are currently using.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Instrument Identification:Model
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_INSTRUMENT\_MODEL

# io\_resource\_descriptor

### niswitch.Session.io\_resource\_descriptor

Indicates the resource descriptor the driver uses to identify the physical device. If you initialize the driver with a logical name, this property contains the resource descriptor that corresponds to the entry in the IVI Configuration utility. If you initialize the instrument driver with the resource descriptor, this property contains that value.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Advanced Session Information:IO Resource Descriptor
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_IO\_RESOURCE\_DESCRIPTOR

# is\_configuration\_channel

### niswitch.Session.is\_configuration\_channel

This channel-based property specifies whether to reserve the channel for internal path creation. A channel that is available for internal path creation is called a configuration channel. The driver may use configuration channels to create paths between two channels you specify in the *niswitch.Session.connect()* method. Configuration channels are not available for external connections. Set this property to True to mark the channel as a configuration channel. Set this property to False to mark the channel as available for external connections. After you identify a channel as a configuration channel, you cannot use that channel for external connections. The *niswitch.Session.connect()* method returns the NISWITCH\_ERROR\_IS\_CONFIGURATION\_CHANNEL error when you attempt to establish a connection between a configuration channel and any other channel.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Channel Configuration: Is Configuration Channel

• C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_IS\_CONFIGURATION\_CHANNEL

# is\_debounced

### niswitch.Session.is\_debounced

This property indicates whether the entire switch device has settled since the last switching command. A value of True indicates that all signals going through the switch device are valid.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics: Is Debounced
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_IS\_DEBOUNCED

# is\_scanning

### niswitch.Session.is\_scanning

If True, the switch module is currently scanning through the scan list (i.e. it is not in the Idle state). If False, the switch module is not currently scanning through the scan list (i.e. it is in the Idle state).

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration: Is Scanning
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_IS\_SCANNING

### is\_source\_channel

#### niswitch.Session.is\_source\_channel

This channel-based property specifies whether you want to identify the channel as a source channel. Typically, you set this property to True when you attach the channel to a power supply, a method generator, or an active measurement point on the unit under test, and you do not want to connect the channel to another source. The driver prevents source channels from connecting to each other. The *niswitch.Session.connect()* method returns the NISWITCH\_ERROR\_ATTEMPT\_TO\_CONNECT\_SOURCES when you attempt to connect two channels that you identify as source channels.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Channel Configuration: Is Source Channel
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_IS\_SOURCE\_CHANNEL

# is\_waiting\_for\_trig

niswitch.Session.is\_waiting\_for\_trig

In a scan list, a semi-colon (;) is used to indicate that at that point in the scan list, the scan engine should pause until a trigger is received from the trigger input. If that trigger is user generated through either a hardware pulse or the Send SW Trigger operation, it is necessary for the user to know when the scan engine has reached such a state.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration: Is Waiting for Trigger?
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_IS\_WAITING\_FOR\_TRIG

#### logical\_name

#### niswitch.Session.logical\_name

A string containing the logical name you specified when opening the current IVI session. You may pass a logical name to the niswitch.Session.init() or niswitch.Session. InitWithOptions() methods. The IVI Configuration utility must contain an entry for the logical name. The logical name entry refers to a virtual instrument section in the IVI Configuration file. The virtual instrument section specifies a physical device and initial user options.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes: Advanced Session Information: Logical Name
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_LOGICAL\_NAME

### max\_ac\_voltage

#### niswitch.Session.max\_ac\_voltage

This channel-based property returns the maximum AC voltage the channel can switch. The units are volts RMS.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Maximum AC Voltage
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_MAX\_AC\_VOLTAGE

### max\_carry\_ac\_current

### niswitch.Session.max\_carry\_ac\_current

This channel-based property returns the maximum AC current the channel can carry. The units are amperes RMS.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Maximum Carry AC Current
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_MAX\_CARRY\_AC\_CURRENT

### max\_carry\_ac\_power

#### niswitch.Session.max\_carry\_ac\_power

This channel-based property returns the maximum AC power the channel can carry. The units are volt-amperes.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Maximum Carry AC Power
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_MAX\_CARRY\_AC\_POWER

# max\_carry\_dc\_current

niswitch.Session.max\_carry\_dc\_current

This channel-based property returns the maximum DC current the channel can carry. The units are amperes.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch. Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of

repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch. Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Maximum Carry DC Current
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_MAX\_CARRY\_DC\_CURRENT

#### max\_carry\_dc\_power

#### niswitch.Session.max\_carry\_dc\_power

This channel-based property returns the maximum DC power the channel can carry. The units are watts.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Maximum Carry DC Power
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_MAX\_CARRY\_DC\_POWER

### max\_dc\_voltage

### niswitch.Session.max\_dc\_voltage

This channel-based property returns the maximum DC voltage the channel can switch. The units are volts.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Maximum DC Voltage
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_MAX\_DC\_VOLTAGE

# max\_switching\_ac\_current

niswitch.Session.max\_switching\_ac\_current

This channel-based property returns the maximum AC current the channel can switch. The units are amperes RMS.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Maximum Switching AC Current
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_MAX\_SWITCHING\_AC\_CURRENT

# max\_switching\_ac\_power

#### niswitch.Session.max\_switching\_ac\_power

This channel-based property returns the maximum AC power the channel can switch. The units are volt-amperes.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Maximum Switching AC Power
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_MAX\_SWITCHING\_AC\_POWER

# max\_switching\_dc\_current

## niswitch.Session.max\_switching\_dc\_current

This channel-based property returns the maximum DC current the channel can switch. The units are amperes.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Maximum Switching DC Current

# • C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_MAX\_SWITCHING\_DC\_CURRENT

## max\_switching\_dc\_power

## niswitch.Session.max\_switching\_dc\_power

This channel-based property returns the maximum DC power the channel can switch. The units are watts.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Maximum Switching DC Power
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_MAX\_SWITCHING\_DC\_POWER

## number\_of\_relays

This property returns the number of relays.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Number of Relays
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_NUMBER\_OF\_RELAYS

niswitch.Session.number\_of\_relays

# num\_of\_columns

#### niswitch.Session.num\_of\_columns

This property returns the number of channels on the column of a matrix or scanner. If the switch device is a scanner, this value is the number of input channels. The *niswitch.Session*. *wire\_mode* property affects the number of available columns. For example, if your device has 8 input lines and you use the four-wire mode, then the number of columns you have available is 2.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Matrix Configuration:Number of Columns
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_NUM\_OF\_COLUMNS

# num\_of\_rows

#### niswitch.Session.num\_of\_rows

This property returns the number of channels on the row of a matrix or scanner. If the switch device is a scanner, this value is the number of output channels. The *niswitch.Session.wire\_mode* property affects the number of available rows. For example, if your device has 8 input lines and you use the two-wire mode, then the number of columns you have available is 4.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Matrix Configuration:Number of Rows
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_NUM\_OF\_ROWS

# power\_down\_latching\_relays\_after\_debounce

```
niswitch.Session.power_down_latching_relays_after_debounce
```

This property specifies whether to power down latching relays after calling Wait For Debounce.

When Power Down Latching Relays After Debounce is enabled (True), a call to Wait For Debounce ensures that the relays are settled and the latching relays are powered down.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Power Down Latching Relays After Debounce
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_POWER\_DOWN\_LATCHING\_RELAYS\_AFTER\_DEBOUNCE

# scan\_advanced\_output

# niswitch.Session.scan\_advanced\_output

This property specifies the method you want to use to notify another instrument that all signals going through the switch device have settled following the processing of one entry in the scan list.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ScanAdvancedOutput
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration:Scan Advanced Output
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SCAN\_ADVANCED\_OUTPUT

## scan\_advanced\_polarity

# niswitch.Session.scan\_advanced\_polarity

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ScanAdvancedPolarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration:Scan Advanced Polarity
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SCAN\_ADVANCED\_POLARITY

# scan\_delay

niswitch.Session.scan\_delay

This property specifies the minimum amount of time the switch device waits before it asserts the scan advanced output trigger after opening or closing the switch. The switch device always waits for debounce before asserting the trigger. The units are seconds. the greater value of the settling time and the value you specify as the scan delay.

Note: NI PXI-2501/2503/2565/2590/2591 Users-the actual delay will always be

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration:Scan Delay
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SCAN\_DELAY

# scan\_list

## niswitch.Session.scan\_list

This property contains a scan list, which is a string that specifies channel connections and trigger conditions. The *niswitch.Session.initiate()* method makes or breaks connections and waits for triggers according to the instructions in the scan list. The scan list is comprised of channel names that you separate with special characters. These special characters determine the operations the scanner performs on the channels when it executes this scan list. To create a path between two channels, use the following character between the two channel names: -> (a dash followed by a '>' sign) Example: 'CH1->CH2' tells the switch to make a path from channel CH1 to channel CH2. To break or clear a path, use the following character as a prefix before the path: ~ (tilde) Example: 'CH1->CH2' tells the switch to break the path from channel CH1 to channel CH2. To tell the switch device to wait for a trigger event, use the following character as a separator between paths: ; (semi-colon) Example: 'CH1->CH2;CH3->CH4' tells the switch to make the path from CH3 to CH4.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration:Scan List
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SCAN\_LIST

#### scan\_mode

#### niswitch.Session.scan\_mode

This property specifies what happens to existing connections that conflict with the connections you make in a scan list. For example, if CH1 is already connected to CH2 and the scan list instructs the switch device to connect CH1 to CH3, this property specifies what happens to the connection between CH1 and CH2. If the value of this property is *NONE*, the switch device takes no action on existing paths. If the value is *BREAK\_BEFORE\_MAKE*, the switch device breaks conflicting paths before making new ones. If the value is *BREAK\_AFTER\_MAKE*, the switch device breaks conflicting paths after making new ones. Most switch devices support only one of the possible values. In such cases, this property serves as an indicator of the device's behavior.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.ScanMode
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration:Scan Mode
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SCAN\_MODE

## serial\_number

niswitch.Session.serial\_number

This read-only property returns the serial number for the switch device controlled by this instrument driver. If the device does not return a serial number, the driver returns the IVI\_ERROR\_ATTRIBUTE\_NOT\_SUPPORTED error.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Serial Number
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SERIAL\_NUMBER

## settling\_time

# niswitch.Session.settling\_time

This channel-based property returns the maximum length of time from after you make a connection until the signal flowing through the channel settles. The units are seconds. the greater value of the settling time and the value you specify as the scan delay.

Note: NI PXI-2501/2503/2565/2590/2591 Users-the actual delay will always be

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Settling Time
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SETTLING\_TIME

# simulate

niswitch.Session.simulate

Specifies whether or not to simulate instrument driver I/O operations. If simulation is enabled,

instrument driver methods perform range checking and call Ivi\_GetAttribute and Ivi\_SetAttribute methods, but they do not perform instrument I/O. For output parameters that represent instrument data, the instrument driver methods return calculated values. The default value is False. Use the niswitch.Session.InitWithOptions() method to override this value.

Note: One or more of the referenced methods are not in the Python API for this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	bool
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:User Options:Simulate
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SIMULATE

# specific\_driver\_description

niswitch.Session.specific\_driver\_description

A string that contains a brief description of the specific driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Description
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_DESCRIPTION

# specific\_driver\_revision

niswitch.Session.specific\_driver\_revision

A string that contains additional version information about this instrument driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Revision
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_REVISION

# specific\_driver\_vendor

## niswitch.Session.specific\_driver\_vendor

A string that contains the name of the vendor that supplies this driver.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Identification:Driver Vendor
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SPECIFIC\_DRIVER\_VENDOR

# supported\_instrument\_models

niswitch.Session.supported\_instrument\_models Contains a comma-separated list of supported instrument models.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• LabVIEW Property: Inherent IVI Attributes:Driver Capabilities:Supported Instrument Models

# • C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_SUPPORTED\_INSTRUMENT\_MODELS

# temperature

## niswitch.Session.temperature

This property returns the temperature as read by the Switch module. The units are degrees Celsius.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics: Temperature
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_TEMPERATURE

# trigger\_input

#### niswitch.Session.trigger\_input

This property specifies the source of the trigger for which the switch device can wait when processing a scan list. The switch device waits for a trigger when it encounters a semi-colon in a scan list. When the trigger occurs, the switch device advances to the next entry in the scan list.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerInput
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration: Trigger Input
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_INPUT

# trigger\_input\_polarity

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

niswitch.Session.trigger\_input\_polarity Determines the behavior of the trigger Input.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	enums.TriggerInputPolarity
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Scanning Configuration: Trigger Input Polarity
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_TRIGGER\_INPUT\_POLARITY

# wire\_mode

niswitch.Session.wire\_mode

This property returns the wire mode of the switch device. This property affects the values of the *niswitch.Session.num\_of\_rows* and *niswitch.Session.num\_of\_columns* properties. The actual number of input and output lines on the switch device is fixed, but the number of channels depends on how many lines constitute each channel.

**Tip:** This property can use repeated capabilities. If set or get directly on the niswitch.Session object, then the set/get will use all repeated capabilities in the session. You can specify a subset of repeated capabilities using the Python index notation on an niswitch.Session repeated capabilities container, and calling set/get value on the result.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	Yes
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Module Characteristics:Wire mode
- C Attribute: NISWITCH\_ATTR\_WIRE\_MODE

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- disconnect\_multiple
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- get\_relay\_name
- get\_relay\_position
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- is\_scanning
- is\_source\_channel
- is\_waiting\_for\_trig
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#### **Repeated Capabilities**

Repeated capabilities attributes are used to set the *channel\_string* parameter to the underlying driver function call. This can be the actual function based on the Session method being called, or it can be the appropriate Get/Set Attribute function, such as niSwitch\_SetAttributeViInt32().

Repeated capabilities attributes use the indexing operator [] to indicate the repeated capabilities. The parameter can be a string, list, tuple, or slice (range). Each element of those can be a string or an integer. If it is a string, you can indicate a range using the same format as the driver:  $\0-2'$  or  $\0:2'$ 

Some repeated capabilities use a prefix before the number and this is optional

# channels

```
niswitch.Session.channels[]
```

session.channels['0-2'].channel\_enabled = True

passes a string of '0, 1, 2' to the set attribute function.

# Enums

Enums used in NI-SWITCH

# HandshakingInitiation

#### class niswitch.HandshakingInitiation

#### MEASUREMENT\_DEVICE

#### SWITCH

The *niSwitch Initiate Scan <switchviref.chm::/:py:meth:'niswitch.Session.Initiate\_Scan.*html>'\_\_\_ VI returns immediately after beginning scan list execution. It is assumed that the measurement device has already been configured and is waiting for the scanner advanced signal. The measurement should be configured to first wait for a trigger, then take a measurement. Thus, the first scanner advanced output signal of the switch module initiates handshaking.

# **PathCapability**

class niswitch.PathCapability

PATH\_AVAILABLE Path Available

PATH\_EXISTS Path Exists

**PATH\_UNSUPPORTED** Path Unsupported

RESOURCE\_IN\_USE Resource in use

SOURCE\_CONFLICT Source conflict

CHANNEL\_NOT\_AVAILABLE Channel not available

# **RelayAction**

class niswitch.RelayAction

OPEN

Open Relay

CLOSE Close Relay

## **RelayPosition**

class niswitch.RelayPosition

OPEN

Open CLOSED

Closed

# ScanAdvancedOutput

class niswitch.ScanAdvancedOutput

#### NONE

The switch device does not produce a Scan Advanced Output trigger.

#### EXTERNAL

External Trigger. The switch device produces the Scan Advanced Output trigger on the external trigger output.

#### TTL0

The switch device produces the Scan Advanced Output on the PXI TRIGO line.

#### TTL1

The switch device produces the Scan Advanced Output on the PXI TRIG1 line.

#### TTL2

The switch device produces the Scan Advanced Output on the PXI TRIG2 line.

## TTL3

The switch device produces the Scan Advanced Output on the PXI TRIG3 line.

#### TTL4

The switch device produces the Scan Advanced Output on the PXI TRIG4 line.

#### TTL5

The switch device produces the Scan Advanced Output on the PXI TRIG5 line.

## TTL6

The switch device produces the Scan Advanced Output on the PXI TRIG6 line.

#### TTL7

The switch device produces the Scan Advanced Output on the PXI TRIG7 line.

#### PXI\_STAR

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the PXI Star trigger bus before processing the next entry in the scan list.

## REARCONNECTOR

The switch device produces the Scan Advanced Output trigger on the rear connector.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR

The switch device produces the Scan Advanced Output trigger on the front connector.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE1

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the rear connector module 1.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE2

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the rear connector module 2.

## REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE3

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the rear connector module 3.

## REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE4

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the rear connector module 4.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE5

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the rear connector module 5.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE6

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the rear connector module 6.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE7

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the rear connector module 7.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE8

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the rear connector module 8.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE9

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Ouptut Trigger on the rear connector module 9.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE10

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the rear connector module 10.

# REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE11

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the rear connector module 11.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE12

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the rear connector module 12.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE1

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 1.

### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE2

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 2.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE3

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 3.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE4

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 4.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE5

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 5.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE6

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 6.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE7

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 7.

## FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE8

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 8.

# FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE9

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 9.

## FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE10

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 10.

# FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE11

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 11.

## FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE12

The switch module produces the Scan Advanced Output Trigger on the front connector module 12.

## ScanAdvancedPolarity

## class niswitch.ScanAdvancedPolarity

## RISING

The trigger occurs on the rising edge of the signal.

## FALLING

The trigger occurs on the falling edge of the signal.

# ScanMode

class niswitch.ScanMode

#### NONE

No implicit action on connections when scanning.

## BREAK\_BEFORE\_MAKE

When scanning, the switch device breaks existing connections before making new connections.

# BREAK\_AFTER\_MAKE

When scanning, the switch device breaks existing connections after making new connections.

# TriggerInput

class niswitch.TriggerInput

#### IMMEDIATE

Immediate Trigger. The switch device does not wait for a trigger before processing the next entry in the scan list.

#### EXTERNAL

External Trigger. The switch device waits until it receives a trigger from an external source through the external trigger input before processing the next entry in the scan list.

# SOFTWARE\_TRIG

The switch device waits until you call the *niswitch.Session.send\_software\_trigger()* method before processing the next entry in the scan list.

#### TTL0

The switch device waits until it receives a trigger on the PXI TRIG0 line before processing the next entry in the scan list.

# TTL1

The switch device waits until it receives a trigger on the PXI TRIG1 line before processing the next entry in the scan list.

#### TTL2

The switch device waits until it receives a trigger on the PXI TRIG2 line before processing the next entry in the scan list.

#### TTL3

The switch device waits until it receives a trigger on the PXI TRIG3 line before processing the next entry in the scan list.

#### TTL4

The switch device waits until it receives a trigger on the PXI TRIG4 line before processing the next entry in the scan list.

## TTL5

The switch device waits until it receives a trigger on the PXI TRIG5 line before processing the next entry in the scan list.

# TTL6

The switch device waits until it receives a trigger on the PXI TRIG6 line before processing the next entry in the scan list.

TTL7

The switch device waits until it receives a trigger on the PXI TRIG7 line before processing the next entry in the scan list.

#### PXI\_STAR

The switch device waits until it receives a trigger on the PXI STAR trigger bus before processing the next entry in the scan list.

#### REARCONNECTOR

The switch device waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR

The switch device waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE1

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 1.

## REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE2

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 2.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE3

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 3.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE4

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 4.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE5

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 5.

## REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE6

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 6.

## REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE7

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 7.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE8

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 8.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE9

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 9.

## REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE10

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 10.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE11

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 11.

#### REARCONNECTOR\_MODULE12

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the rear connector module 12.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE1

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 1.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE2

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 2.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE3

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 3.

## FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE4

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 4.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE5

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 5.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE6

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 6.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE7

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 7.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE8

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 8.

# FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE9

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 9.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE10

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 10.

### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE11

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 11.

#### FRONTCONNECTOR\_MODULE12

The switch module waits until it receives a trigger on the front connector module 12.

# **TriggerInputPolarity**

#### class niswitch.TriggerInputPolarity

#### RISING

The trigger occurs on the rising edge of the signal.

#### FALLING

The trigger occurs on the falling edge of the signal.

#### **Exceptions and Warnings**

## Error

**exception** niswitch.errors.**Error** Base exception type that all NI-SWITCH exceptions derive from

#### **DriverError**

**exception** niswitch.errors.**DriverError** An error originating from the NI-SWITCH driver

# **UnsupportedConfigurationError**

**exception** niswitch.errors.**UnsupportedConfigurationError** An error due to using this module in an usupported platform.

# **DriverNotInstalledError**

```
exception niswitch.errors.DriverNotInstalledError
An error due to using this module without the driver runtime installed.
```

## InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError

**exception** niswitch.errors.**InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError** An error due to an invalid character in a repeated capability

## SelfTestError

**exception** niswitch.errors.**SelfTestError** An error due to a failed self-test

# **DriverWarning**

**exception** niswitch.errors.**DriverWarning** A warning originating from the NI-SWITCH driver

# **Examples**

You can download all niswitch examples here

#### niswitch\_connect\_channels.py

```
Listing 17: (niswitch_connect_channels.py)
```

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
   import argparse
3
   import niswitch
4
   import sys
5
6
7
   def example(resource_name, channel1, channel2, topology, simulate):
8
       # if we are simulating resource name must be blank
9
      resource_name = '' if simulate else resource_name
10
11
      with niswitch.Session(resource_name=resource_name, topology=topology,...
12
   ⇒simulate=simulate) as session:
          session.connect(channel1=channel1, channel2=channel2)
13
          print('Channel ', channel1, ' and ', channel2, ' are now connected.')
14
          session.disconnect(channel1=channel1, channel2=channel2)
15
          print('Channel ', channel1, ' and ', channel2, ' are now disconnected.')
16
17
18
   def __main(argsv):
19
      parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Performs a connection with NI-
20
   parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXIISlot2', help='Resource_
21
   →name of a National Instruments Switch.')
      parser.add_argument('-ch1', '--channel1', default='c0', help='Channel One.')
22
      parser.add_argument('-ch2', '--channel2', default='r0', help='Channel Two.')
23
      parser.add_argument('-t', '--topology', default='Configured Topology', help=
24

→ 'Topology.')
```

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```
parser.add_argument('-s', '--simulate', default=False, action='store_true', help=
25
    \rightarrow 'Simulate device.')
        args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
26
        example(args.resource_name, args.channel1, args.channel2, args.topology, args.
27
    \rightarrow simulate)
28
29
   def test_example():
30
        example('', 'c0', 'r0', '2737/2-Wire 4x64 Matrix', True)
31
32
33
   def test_main():
34
35
       cmd_line = ['--topology', '2737/2-Wire 4x64 Matrix', '--simulate']
        _main(cmd_line)
36
37
38
   def main():
39
        _main(sys.argv[1:])
40
41
42
   if __name__ == '__main__':
43
        main()
44
45
46
```

# niswitch\_get\_device\_info.py

Listing 18: (niswitch\_get\_device\_info.py)

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
   import argparse
3
   import niswitch
4
   import sys
5
6
7
   def example (resource_name, topology, simulate, device, channel, relay):
8
       # if we are simulating resource name must be blank
9
       resource_name = '' if simulate else resource_name
10
11
       with niswitch.Session(resource_name=resource_name, topology=topology,_
12
   →simulate=simulate) as session:
           if device:
13
               print('Device Info:')
14
15
               row_format = '{:<18}' * (2)
               print(row_format.format('Device Name: ', session.io_resource_descriptor))
16
               print(row_format.format('Device Model: ', session.instrument_model))
17
               print(row_format.format('Driver Revision: ', session.specific_driver_
18
   →revision))
               print(row_format.format('Channel count: ', session.channel_count))
19
               print(row_format.format('Relay count: ', session.number_of_relays))
20
           if channel:
21
               print('Channel Info:')
22
               row_format = '{:6}' + ' ' * 12 + '{:<15}{:<22}{:6}'
23
```

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```
print (row_format.format('Number', 'Name', 'Is Configuration', 'Is Source
24
   \rightarrow '))
               for i in range(1, session.channel_count + 1):
25
                   channel_name = session.get_channel_name(index=i)
26
                   channel = session.channels[channel_name]
27
                   print(row_format.format(i, channel_name, str(channel.is_configuration_
28
   if relay:
29
               print('Relay Info:')
30
               row_format = '{:6}' + ' ' * 12 + '{:<15}{:<22}{:6}'
31
               print(row_format.format('Number', 'Name', 'Position', 'Count'))
32
               for i in range(1, session.number_of_relays + 1):
33
34
                   relay_name = session.get_relay_name(index=i)
                   print (row format.format(i, relay_name, session.get_relay_
35

where the position (relay_name=relay_name), session.get_relay_count (relay_name=relay_name)))

36
37
   def __main(argsv):
38
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Prints information for the_
39
   → ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource_
40
   ←name of a National Instruments Switch.')
       parser.add_argument('-d', '--device', default=False, action='store_true', help=
41
   \leftrightarrow 'Prints information for the device')
42
      parser.add_argument('-c', '--channel', default=False, action='store_true', help=
   \leftrightarrow 'Prints information for all channels on the device')
       parser.add_argument('-r', '--relay', default=False, action='store_true', help=
43
   \leftrightarrow 'Prints information for all relays on the device')
       parser.add_argument('-t', '--topology', default='Configured Topology', help=
44

→ 'Topology.')

       parser.add_argument('-s', '--simulate', default=False, action='store_true', help=
45
   ↔ 'Simulate device.')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
46
47
       if not (args.device or args.channel or args.relay):
48
           print ('You must specify at least one of -d, -c, or -r!')
49
           parser.print_help()
50
51
           sys.exit(1)
52
       example(args.resource_name, args.topology, args.simulate, args.device, args.
53

→ channel, args.relay)

54
55
56
   def test_example():
       example('', '2737/2-Wire 4x64 Matrix', True, True, True, True)
57
58
59
   def test main():
60
       cmd_line = ['--topology', '2737/2-Wire 4x64 Matrix', '--simulate', '--device', '--
61

→ channel', '--relay', ]

       _main(cmd_line)
62
63
64
   def main():
65
66
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
```

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67

```
68
69
if __name__ == '__main__':
70
main()
71
72
```

### niswitch\_relay\_control.py

Listing 19: (niswitch\_relay\_control.py)

```
#!/usr/bin/python
2
   import argparse
3
   import niswitch
4
   import sys
5
6
7
   def example (resource_name, topology, simulate, relay, action):
8
       # if we are simulating resource name must be blank
9
       resource_name = '' if simulate else resource_name
10
11
       with niswitch.Session(resource_name=resource_name, topology=topology,_
12
   ⇒simulate=simulate) as session:
            session.relay_control(relay_name=relay, relay_action=niswitch.
13
   → RelayAction[action])
           print('Relay ', relay, ' has had the action ', action, ' performed.')
14
15
16
   def __main(argsv):
17
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Performs relay control with NI-
18
   ->SWITCH relays.', formatter_class=argparse.ArgumentDefaultsHelpFormatter)
       parser.add_argument('-n', '--resource-name', default='PXI1Slot2', help='Resource_
19
   →name of a National Instruments Switch.')
       parser.add_argument('-r', '--relay', default='k0', help='Relay Name.')
20
       parser.add_argument('-a', '--action', default='OPEN', choices=niswitch.
21
   -RelayAction.__members__.keys(), type=str.upper, help='Relay Action.')
       parser.add_argument('-t', '--topology', default='Configured Topology', help=
22
   \leftrightarrow 'Topology.')
       parser.add_argument('-s', '--simulate', default=False, action='store_true', help=
23
    \rightarrow 'Simulate device.')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
24
       example(args.resource_name, args.topology, args.simulate, args.relay, args.action)
25
26
27
   def test_example():
28
       example('', '2737/2-Wire 4x64 Matrix', True, 'kr0c0', 'OPEN')
29
30
31
   def test_main():
32
       cmd_line = ['--topology', '2737/2-Wire 4x64 Matrix', '--simulate', '--relay',
33
    \leftrightarrow 'kr0c0'l
       _main(cmd_line)
34
35
36
```

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```
37 def main():
    __main(sys.argv[1:])
39
40
41 if __name__ == '__main__':
42 main()
43
44
```

# 7.7 nise module

# 7.7.1 Installation

As a prerequisite to using the nise module, you must install the NI Switch Executive runtime on your system. Visit ni.com/downloads to download the driver runtime for your devices.

The nimi-python modules (i.e. for NI Switch Executive) can be installed with pip:

\$ python -m pip install nise~=1.3.3

Or easy\_install from setuptools:

```
$ python -m easy_install nise
```

# 7.7.2 Usage

The following is a basic example of using the **nise** module to open a session to a Switch Executive Virtual Device and connect a routegroup.

```
import nise
with nise.Session('SwitchExecutiveExample') as session:
    session.connect('DIOToUUT')
```

Additional examples for NI Switch Executive are located in src/nise/examples/ directory.

# 7.7.3 API Reference

## Session

```
class nise.Session(self, virtual_device_name, options={})
```

Opens a session to a specified NI Switch Executive virtual device. Opens communications with all of the IVI switches associated with the specified NI Switch Executive virtual device. Returns a session handle that you use to identify the virtual device in all subsequent NI Switch Executive method calls. NI Switch Executive uses a reference counting scheme to manage open session handles to an NI Switch Executive virtual device. Each call to nise.Session.\_\_init\_\_() must be matched with a subsequent call to nise.Session.close(). Successive calls to nise.Session.\_\_init\_\_() with the same virtual device name always returns the same session handle. NI Switch Executive disconnects its communication with the IVI switches after all session handles are closed to a given virtual device. The session handles may be used safely in multiple threads of an application. Sessions may only be opened to a given NI Switch Executive virtual device from a single process at a time.

## Parameters

- **virtual\_device\_name** (*str*) The name of the NI Switch Executive virtual device.
- **options** (*dict*) Specifies the initial value of certain properties for the session. The syntax for **options** is a dictionary of properties with an assigned value. For example:

{ 'simulate': False }

You do not have to specify a value for all the properties. If you do not specify a value for a property, the default value is used.

Advanced Example: { 'simulate': True, 'driver\_setup': { 'Model': '<model number>', 'BoardType': '<type>' } }

Property	Default
range_check	True
query_instrument_status	False
cache	True
simulate	False
record_value_coersions	False
driver_setup	{}

## **Methods**

# close

nise.Session.close()

Reduces the reference count of open sessions by one. If the reference count goes to 0, the method deallocates any memory resources the driver uses and closes any open IVI switch sessions. After calling the *nise.Session.close()* method, you should not use the NI Switch Executive virtual device again until you call nise.Session.\_\_init\_\_().

Note: This method is not needed when using the session context manager

#### connect

# 

Connects the routes specified by the connection specification. When connecting, it may allow for multiconnection based on the multiconnection mode. In the event of an error, the call to *nise*. *Session.connect()* will attempt to undo any connections made so that the system will be left in the same state that it was in before the call was made. Some errors can be caught before manipulating hardware, although it is feasible that a hardware call could fail causing some connections to be momentarily closed and then reopened. If the wait for debounce parameter is set, the method will not return until the switch system has debounced.

#### **Parameters**

• **connect\_spec** (*str*) – String describing the connections to be made. The route specification strings are best summarized as a series of routes delimited by ampersands. The specified routes may be route names, route group names, or fully specified route paths delimited by square brackets. Some examples of route specification

strings are: MyRoute MyRouteGroup MyRoute & MyRouteGroup [A->Switch1/r0->B] MyRoute & MyRouteGroup & [A->Switch1/r0->B] Refer to Route Specification Strings in the NI Switch Executive Help for more information.

• multiconnect\_mode (*nise.MulticonnectMode*) – This value sets the connection mode for the method. The mode might be one of the following: NISE\_VAL\_USE\_DEFAULT\_MODE (-1) - uses the mode selected as the default for the route in the NI Switch Executive virtual device configuration. If a mode has not been selected for the route in the NI Switch Executive virtual device, this parameter defaults to NISE\_VAL\_MULTICONNECT\_ROUTES. *NO\_MULTICONNECT* (0) - routes specified in the connection specification must be disconnected before they can be reconnected. Calling Connect on a route that was connected using No Multiconnect mode results in an error condition. NISE\_VAL\_MULTICONNECT\_ROUTES (1)- routes specified in the connection specification can be connected multiple times. The first call to Connect performs the physical hardware connection. Successive calls to Connect increase a connection reference count. Similarly, calls to Disconnect decrease the reference count. Once it reaches 0, the hardware is physically disconnected. Multiconnecting routes applies to entire routes and not to route segments.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

• wait\_for\_debounce (bool) – Waits (if true) for switches to debounce between its connect and disconnect operations. If false, it immediately begins the second operation after completing the first. The order of connect and disconnect operation is set by the Operation Order input.

# connect\_and\_disconnect

Connects routes and disconnects routes in a similar fashion to *nise.Session.connect()* and *nise.Session.disconnect()* except that the operations happen in the context of a single method call. This method is useful for switching from one state to another state. *nise.Session.connect\_and\_disconnect()* manipulates the hardware connections and disconnections only when the routes are different between the connection and disconnection specifications. If any routes are common between the connection and disconnection specifications, NI Switch Executive determines whether or not the relays need to be switched. This functionality has the distinct advantage of increased throughput for shared connections, because hardware does not have to be involved and potentially increases relay lifetime by decreasing the number of times that the relay has to be switched. In the event of an error, the call to *nise.Session.connect\_and\_disconnect()* attempts to undo any connections made, but does not attempt to reconnect disconnections. Some errors can be caught before manipulating hardware, although it is feasible that a hardware call could fail causing some connections to be momentarily closed and then reopened.

## **Parameters**

• **connect\_spec** (*str*) – String describing the connections to be made. The route specification strings are best summarized as a series of routes delimited by ampersands. The specified routes may be route names, route group names, or fully specified route paths delimited by square brackets. Some examples of route specification

strings are: MyRoute MyRouteGroup MyRoute & MyRouteGroup [A->Switch1/r0->B] MyRoute & MyRouteGroup & [A->Switch1/r0->B] Refer to Route Specification Strings in the NI Switch Executive Help for more information.

- disconnect\_spec (str) String describing the disconnections to be made. The route specification strings are best summarized as a series of routes delimited by ampersands. The specified routes may be route names, route group names, or fully specified route paths delimited by square brackets. Some examples of route specification strings are: MyRoute MyRouteGroup MyRoute & MyRouteGroup [A->Switch1/r0->B] MyRoute & MyRouteGroup & [A->Switch1/r0->B] Refer to Route Specification Strings in the NI Switch Executive Help for more information.
- multiconnect\_mode (nise.MulticonnectMode) This value sets the connection mode for the method. The mode might be one of the following: NISE\_VAL\_USE\_DEFAULT\_MODE (-1) - uses the mode selected as the default for the route in the NI Switch Executive virtual device configuration. If a mode has not been selected for the route in the NI Switch Executive virtual device, this parameter defaults to NISE\_VAL\_MULTICONNECT\_ROUTES. NO\_MULTICONNECT (0) routes specified in the connection specification must be disconnected before they can be reconnected. Calling Connect on a route that was connected using No Multiconnect mode results in an error condition. NISE\_VAL\_MULTICONNECT\_ROUTES (1) - routes specified in the connection specification can be connected multiple times. The first call to Connect performs the physical hardware connection. Successive calls to Connect increase a connection reference count. Similarly, calls to Disconnect decrease the reference count. Once it reaches 0, the hardware is physically disconnected. This behavior is slightly different with SPDT relays. For more information, refer to the Exclusions and SPDT Relays topic in the NI Switch Executive Help. Multiconnecting routes applies to entire routes and not to route segments.

**Note:** One or more of the referenced values are not in the Python API for this driver. Enums that only define values, or represent True/False, have been removed.

- **operation\_order** (*nise.OperationOrder*) Sets the order of the operation for the method. Defined values are Break Before Make and Break After Make. *BEFORE* (1) The method disconnects the routes specified in the disconnect specification before connecting the routes specified in the connect specification. This is the typical mode of operation. *AFTER* (2) The method connects the routes specified in the disconnection specification before connecting the routes of operation is normally used when you are switching current and want to ensure that a load is always connected to your source. The order of operation is to connect first or disconnect first.
- wait\_for\_debounce (bool) Waits (if true) for switches to debounce between its connect and disconnect operations. If false, it immediately begins the second operation after completing the first. The order of connect and disconnect operation is set by the Operation Order input.

# disconnect

nise.Session.disconnect(disconnect\_spec)

Disconnects the routes specified in the Disconnection Specification. If any of the specified routes were originally connected in a multiconnected mode, the call to *nise.Session*. *disconnect()* reduces the reference count on the route by 1. If the reference count reaches

0, it is disconnected. If a specified route does not exist, it is an error condition. In the event of an error, the call to *nise.Session.disconnect()* continues to try to disconnect everything specified by the route specification string but reports the error on completion.

Parameters disconnect\_spec (str) – String describing the disconnections to be made. The route specification strings are best summarized as a series of routes delimited by ampersands. The specified routes may be route names, route group names, or fully specified route paths delimited by square brackets. Some examples of route specification strings are: MyRoute MyRouteGroup MyRoute & MyRouteGroup [A->Switch1/r0->B] MyRoute & MyRouteGroup & [A->Switch1/r0->B] Refer to Route Specification Strings in the NI Switch Executive Help for more information.

# disconnect\_all

- nise.Session.disconnect\_all()
  - Disconnects all connections on every IVI switch device managed by the NISE session reference passed to this method. *nise.Session.disconnect\_all()* ignores all multiconnect modes. Calling *nise.Session.disconnect\_all()* resets all of the switch states for the system.

# expand\_route\_spec

Expands a route spec string to yield more information about the routes and route groups within the spec. The route specification string returned from *nise*.*Session.expand\_route\_spec()* can be passed to other Switch Executive API methods (such as *nise*.*Session.connect()*, *nise*.*Session.disconnect()*, and *nise*.*Session.connect\_and\_disconnect()*) that use route specification strings.

#### **Parameters**

- route\_spec (str) String describing the routes and route groups to expand. The route specification strings are best summarized as a series of routes delimited by ampersands. The specified routes may be route names, route group names, or fully specified route paths delimited by square brackets. Some examples of route specification strings are: MyRoute MyRouteGroup MyRoute & MyRouteGroup [A->Switch1/r0->B] MyRoute & MyRouteGroup & [A->Switch1/r0->B] Refer to Route Specification Strings in the NI Switch Executive Help for more information.
- **expand\_action** (*nise.ExpandAction*) This value sets the expand action for the method. The action might be one of the following: *ROUTES* (0) expands the route spec to routes. Converts route groups to their constituent routes. *PATHS* (1) expands the route spec to paths. Converts routes and route groups to their constituent square bracket route spec strings. Example: [Dev1/c0->Dev1/r0->Dev1/c1]
- **expanded\_route\_spec\_size** (*list of int*) The routeSpecSize is an Vilnt32 that is passed by reference into the method. As an input, it is the size of the route spec string buffer being passed. If the route spec string is larger than the string buffer being passed, only the portion of the route spec string that can fit in the string buffer is copied into it. On return from the method, routeSpecSize holds the size required to hold the entire route spec string. Note that this size may be larger than the buffer size as the method always returns the size needed to hold the entire buffer. You may pass NULL for this parameter if you are not interested in the return value for routeSpecSize and routeSpec.

# Return type str

**Returns** The expanded route spec. Route specification strings can be directly passed to *nise.Session.connect()*, *nise.Session.disconnect()*, or *nise.Session.connect\_and\_disconnect()* Refer to Route Specification Strings in the NI Switch Executive Help for more information. You may pass NULL for this parameter if you are not interested in the return value. To obtain the route specification string, you should pass a buffer to this parameter. The size of the buffer required may be obtained by calling the method with NULL for this parameter and a valid ViInt32 to routeSpecSize. The routeSpecSize will contain the size needed to hold the entire route specification (including the NULL termination character). Common operation is to call the method twice. The first time you call the method you can determine the size needed to hold the route specification string. Allocate a buffer of the appropriate size and then re-call the method to obtain the entire buffer.

# find\_route

nise.Session.find\_route(channel1, channel2, route\_spec\_size=[1024])

Finds an existing or potential route between channel 1 and channel 2. The returned route specification contains the route specification and the route capability determines whether or not the route existed, is possible, or is not possible for various reasons. The route specification string returned from nise.Session.find\_route() can be passed to other Switch Executive API methods (such as nise.Session.connect(), nise.Session.disconnect(), and nise.Session. connect\_and\_disconnect()) that use route specification strings.

## Parameters

- **channel1** (*str*) Channel name of one of the endpoints of the route to find. The channel name must either be a channel alias name or a name in the device/ivichannel syntax. Examples: MyChannel Switch1/R0
- **channel2** (*str*) Channel name of one of the endpoints of the route to find. The channel name must either be a channel alias name or a name in the device/ivichannel syntax. Examples: MyChannel Switch1/R0
- **route\_spec\_size** (*list of int*) The routeSpecSize is an ViInt32 that is passed by reference into the method. As an input, it is the size of the route string buffer being passed. If the route string is larger than the string buffer being passed, only the portion of the route string that can fit in the string buffer is copied into it. On return from the method, routeSpecSize holds the size required to hold the entire route string. Note that this size may be larger than the buffer size as the method always returns the size needed to hold the entire buffer. You may pass NULL for this parameter if you are not interested in the return value for routeSpecSize and routeSpec.

# **Return type**

tuple (route\_spec, path\_capability)

## WHERE

route\_spec (str):

The fully specified route path complete with delimiting square brackets if the route exists or is possible. An example of a fully specified route string is: [A->Switch1/r0->B] Route specification strings can be directly passed to nise.Session.connect(), nise.Session.disconnect(), or

*nise.Session.connect\_and\_disconnect()* Refer to Route Specification Strings in the NI Switch Executive Help for more information. You may pass NULL for this parameter if you are not interested in the return value. To obtain the route specification string, you should pass a buffer to this parameter. The size of the buffer required may be obtained by calling the method with NULL for this parameter and a valid ViInt32 to routeSpecSize. The routeSpecSize will contain the size needed to hold the entire route specification (including the NULL termination character). Common operation is to call the method twice. The first time you call the method you can determine the size needed to hold the route specification string. Allocate a buffer of the appropriate size and then re-call the method to obtain the entire buffer.

path\_capability (nise.PathCapability):

The return value which expresses the capability of finding a valid route between Channel 1 and Channel 2. Refer to the table below for value descriptions. You may pass NULL for this parameter if you are not interested in the return value. Route capability might be one of the following: Path Available (1) A path between channel 1 and channel 2 is available. The route specification parameter returns a string describing the available path. Path Exists (2) A path between channel 1 and channel 2 already exists. The route specification parameter returns a string describing the existing path. Path Unsupported (3) There is no potential path between channel 1 and channel 2 given the current configuration. Resource In Use (4) There is a potential path between channel 1 and channel 2, although a resource needed to complete the path is already in use. Source Conflict (5) Channel 1 and channel 2 cannot be connected because their connection would result in an exclusion violation. Channel Not Available (6) One of the channels is not useable as an endpoint channel. Make sure that it is not marked as a reserved for routing. Channels Hardwired (7) The two channels reside on the same hardwire. An implicit path already exists.

# get\_all\_connections

# nise.Session.get\_all\_connections(route\_spec\_size=[1024])

Returns the top-level connected routes and route groups. The route specification string returned from *nise.Session.get\_all\_connections()* can be passed to other Switch Executive API methods (such as *nise.Session.connect()*, *nise.Session.disconnect()*, *nise.Session.connect\_and\_disconnect()*, and *nise.Session.expand\_route\_spec()*) that use route specification strings.

**Parameters route\_spec\_size** (*list of int*) – The routeSpecSize is an ViInt32 that is passed by reference into the method. As an input, it is the size of the route spec string buffer being passed. If the route spec string is larger than the string buffer being passed, only the portion of the route spec string that can fit in the string buffer is copied into it. On return from the method, routeSpecSize holds the size required to hold the entire route spec string. Note that this size may be larger than the buffer size as the method always returns the size needed to hold the entire buffer. You may pass NULL for this parameter if you are not interested in the return value for routeSpecSize and routeSpec.

# Return type str

Returns The route spec of all currently connected routes and route groups. Route specification strings can be directly passed to nise. Session.connect(), nise.Session.disconnect(), nise. Session.connect\_and\_disconnect(), or nise.Session. expand\_route\_spec() Refer to Route Specification Strings in the NI Switch Executive Help for more information. You may pass NULL for this parameter if you are not interested in the return value. To obtain the route specification string, you should pass a buffer to this parameter. The size of the buffer required may be obtained by calling the method with NULL for this parameter and a valid ViInt32 to routeSpecSize. The routeSpecSize will contain the size needed to hold the entire route specification (including the NULL termination character). Common operation is to call the method twice. The first time you call the method you can determine the size needed to hold the route specification string. Allocate a buffer of the appropriate size and then re-call the method to obtain the entire buffer.

# is\_connected

nise.Session.is\_connected(route\_spec)

Checks whether the specified routes and routes groups are connected. It returns true if connected.

Parameters route\_spec (str) - String describing the connections to check. The route specification strings are best summarized as a series of routes delimited by ampersands. The specified routes may be route names, route group names, or fully specified route paths delimited by square brackets. Some examples of route specification strings are: MyRoute MyRouteGroup MyRoute & MyRouteGroup [A->Switch1/r0->B] MyRoute & MyRouteGroup & [A->Switch1/r0->B] Refer to Route Specification Strings in the NI Switch Executive Help for more information.

## Return type bool

**Returns** Returns TRUE if the routes and routes groups are connected or FALSE if they are not.

## is\_debounced

Checks to see if the switching system is debounced or not. This method does not wait for debouncing to occur. It returns true if the system is fully debounced. This method is similar to the IviSwtch specific method.

## Return type bool

Returns Returns TRUE if the system is fully debounced or FALSE if it is still settling.

# wait\_for\_debounce

nise.Session.wait\_for\_debounce (maximum\_time\_ms=hightime.timedelta(milliseconds=-

#### 1))

Waits for all of the switches in the NI Switch Executive virtual device to debounce. This method does not return until either the switching system is completely debounced and settled or the maximum time has elapsed and the system is not yet debounced. In the event that the maximum time elapses, the method returns an error indicating that a timeout has occurred. To ensure that all of the switches have settled, NI recommends calling *nise.Session.wait\_for\_debounce()* after a series of connection or disconnection operations and before taking any measurements of the signals connected to the switching system.

nise.Session.is\_debounced()

Parameters maximum\_time\_ms (hightime.timedelta, datetime. timedelta, or int in milliseconds) – The amount of time to wait (in milliseconds) for the debounce to complete. A value of 0 checks for debouncing once and returns an error if the system is not debounced at that time. A value of -1 means to block for an infinite period of time until the system is debounced.

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# Enums

Enums used in NI Switch Executive

# **ExpandAction**

class nise.ExpandAction

# ROUTES

Expand to routes

# PATHS

Expand to paths

# MulticonnectMode

class nise.MulticonnectMode

## DEFAULT

Default

#### NO\_MULTICONNECT No multiconnect

MULTICONNECT

Multiconnect

# OperationOrder

class nise.OperationOrder

BEFORE

Break before make

# AFTER

Break after make

# **PathCapability**

class nise.PathCapability

**PATH\_NEEDS\_HARDWIRE** Path needs hardwire

**PATH\_NEEDS\_CONFIG\_CHANNEL** Path needs config channel

PATH\_AVAILABLE Path available

PATH\_EXISTS Path exists

PATH\_UNSUPPORTED Path Unsupported

RESOURCE\_IN\_USE Resource in use

EXCLUSION\_CONFLICT Exclusion conflict

CHANNEL\_NOT\_AVAILABLE Channel not available

CHANNELS\_HARDWIRED Channels hardwired

# **Exceptions and Warnings**

# Error

**exception** nise.errors.**Error** Base exception type that all NI Switch Executive exceptions derive from

# **DriverError**

```
exception nise.errors.DriverError
An error originating from the NI Switch Executive driver
```

## **UnsupportedConfigurationError**

**exception** nise.errors.**UnsupportedConfigurationError** An error due to using this module in an usupported platform.

### **DriverNotInstalledError**

```
exception nise.errors.DriverNotInstalledError
An error due to using this module without the driver runtime installed.
```

# InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError

```
exception nise.errors.InvalidRepeatedCapabilityError
An error due to an invalid character in a repeated capability
```

# **DriverWarning**

**exception** nise.errors.**DriverWarning** A warning originating from the NI Switch Executive driver

## **Examples**

You can download all nise examples here

# nise\_basic\_example.py

Listing 20: (nise\_basic\_example.py)

```
#!/usr/bin/python
  import argparse
2
  import nise
3
  import sys
4
5
6
  def example(virtual_device_name, connection):
7
      with nise.Session(virtual_device_name=virtual_device_name) as session:
8
         session.connect(connection)
9
         print(connection, ' is now connected.')
10
11
12
  def _main(argsv):
13
      parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Connects the specified connection_
14
```

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```
parser.add_argument('-n', '--virtual-device', default='SwitchExecutiveExample',_
15

whelp='NI Switch Executive Virtual Device name')

       parser.add_argument('-c', '--connection', default='DIOToUUT', help='Connection_
16
    ↔ Specification')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
17
        example(args.virtual_device, args.connection)
18
19
20
   def main():
21
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
22
23
24
25
   def test_example():
       example('SwitchExecutiveExample', 'DIOToUUT')
26
27
28
   def test_main():
29
        cmd_line = []
30
        _main(cmd_line)
31
32
33
   if __name__ == '__main__':
34
       main()
35
36
37
```

### 7.8 nimodinst module

### 7.8.1 Installation

As a prerequisite to using the nimodinst module, you must install the NI-ModInst runtime on your system. Visit ni.com/downloads to download the driver runtime for your devices.

The nimi-python modules (i.e. for NI-ModInst) can be installed with pip:

```
$ python -m pip install nimodinst~=1.3.3
```

Or easy\_install from setuptools:

\$ python -m easy\_install nimodinst

#### 7.8.2 Usage

The following is a basic example of using the **nimodinst** module to retrieve information on all High Speed Digitizers currently in the system.

Additional examples for NI-ModInst are located in src/nimodinst/examples/ directory.

### 7.8.3 API Reference

#### Session

#### **class** nimodinst.**Session**(*self*, *driver*)

Creates a handle to a list of installed devices supported by the specified driver. Call this method and pass in the name of a National Instruments instrument driver, such as "NI-SCOPE". This method searches the system and constructs a list of all the installed devices that are supported by that driver, and then returns both a handle to this list and the number of devices found. The handle is used with other methods to query for properties such as device name and model, and to safely discard the list when finished. Note This handle reflects the system state when the handle is created (that is, when you call this method. If you remove devices from the system or rename them in Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX), this handle may not refer to an accurate list of devices. You should destroy the handle using nimodinst.Session. \_close\_installed\_devices\_session() and create a new handle using this method.

Parameters driver (str) – A string specifying the driver whose supported devices you want to find. This string is not case-sensitive. Some examples are: NI-SCOPE niScope NI-FGEN niFgen NI-HSDIO niHSDIO NI-DMM niDMM NI-SWITCH niSwitch Note If you use the empty string for this parameter, NI-ModInst creates a list of all Modular Instruments devices installed in the system.

#### **Methods**

#### close

nimodinst.Session.close()

Cleans up the NI-ModInst session created by a call to nimodinst.Session. \_open\_installed\_devices\_session(). Call this method when you are finished using the session handle and do not use this handle again.

Note: This method is not needed when using the session context manager

#### **Properties**

#### bus\_number

#### nimodinst.Session.bus\_number

The bus on which the device has been enumerated.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIMODINST\_ATTR\_BUS\_NUMBER

#### chassis\_number

nimodinst.Session.chassis\_number

The number of the chassis in which the device is installed. This property can only be queried for PXI devices installed in a chassis that has been properly identified in MAX.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIMODINST\_ATTR\_CHASSIS\_NUMBER

#### device\_model

nimodinst.Session.device\_model

The model of the device (for example, NI PXI-5122)

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIMODINST\_ATTR\_DEVICE\_MODEL

#### device\_name

nimodinst.Session.device\_name

The name of the device, which can be used to open an instrument driver session for that device

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

• C Attribute: NIMODINST\_ATTR\_DEVICE\_NAME

#### max\_pciexpress\_link\_width

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIMODINST\_ATTR\_MAX\_PCIEXPRESS\_LINK\_WIDTH

#### pciexpress\_link\_width

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

#### • C Attribute: NIMODINST\_ATTR\_PCIEXPRESS\_LINK\_WIDTH

#### serial\_number

nimodinst.Session.serial\_number

The serial number of the device

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

#### • C Attribute: NIMODINST\_ATTR\_SERIAL\_NUMBER

#### slot\_number

#### nimodinst.Session.slot\_number

The slot (for example, in a PXI chassis) in which the device is installed. This property can only be queried for PXI devices installed in a chassis that has been properly identified in MAX.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

• C Attribute: NIMODINST\_ATTR\_SLOT\_NUMBER

#### socket\_number

nimodinst.Session.socket\_number

The socket number on which the device has been enumerated

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	int
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

```
• C Attribute: NIMODINST_ATTR_SOCKET_NUMBER
```

Session		
• Session		
• Methods		
– close		
Properties		
– bus_number		
- chassis_number		
– device_model		
- device_name		
<pre>- max_pciexpress_link_width</pre>		
<ul> <li>pciexpress_link_width</li> </ul>		
– serial_number		
1		

- slot\_number
- socket\_number

#### **Exceptions and Warnings**

#### Error

```
exception nimodinst.errors.Error
Base exception type that all NI-ModInst exceptions derive from
```

### DriverError

**exception** nimodinst.errors.**DriverError** An error originating from the NI-ModInst driver

#### **UnsupportedConfigurationError**

**exception** nimodinst.errors.**UnsupportedConfigurationError** An error due to using this module in an usupported platform.

#### **DriverNotInstalledError**

```
exception nimodinst.errors.DriverNotInstalledError
An error due to using this module without the driver runtime installed.
```

#### **DriverWarning**

```
exception nimodinst.errors.DriverWarning A warning originating from the NI-ModInst driver
```

#### **Examples**

You can download all nimodinst examples here

#### nimodinst\_all\_devices.py

Listing 21: (nimodinst\_all\_devices.py)

```
#!/usr/bin/python
1
2
   import nimodinst
3
4
5
   def example():
6
        with nimodinst.Session('') as session:
7
            if len(session) > 0:
8
                print("%d items" % len(session))
9
                print("{: >20} {: >15} {: >10}".format('Name', 'Model', 'S/N'))
10
            for d in session:
11
                print("{: >20} {: >15} {: >10}".format(d.device_name, d.device_model, d.
12

→serial_number))

13
14
   def _main():
15
        example()
16
17
18
   def test_example():
19
        example()
20
21
22
   if __name__ == '__main__':
23
24
        _main()
25
26
```

## 7.9 nitclk module

#### 7.9.1 Installation

As a prerequisite to using the nitclk module, you must install the NI-TClk runtime on your system. Visit ni.com/downloads to download the driver runtime for your devices.

The nimi-python modules (i.e. for NI-TClk) can be installed with pip:

```
$ python -m pip install nitclk~=1.3.3
```

#### Or **easy\_install** from setuptools:

\$ python -m easy\_install nitclk

### 7.9.2 Usage

The following is a basic example of using the nitclk module

```
import nitclk
```

Additional examples for NI-TClk are located in src/nitclk/examples/ directory.

### 7.9.3 API Reference

#### **Public API**

The *nitclk* module provides synchronization facilites to allow multiple instruments to simultaneously respond to triggers, to align Sample Clocks on multiple instruments, and/or to simultaneously start multiple instruments.

It consists of a set of functions that act on a list of *SessionReference* objects or nimi-python *Session* objects for drivers that support NI-TClk. *SessionReference* also has a set of properties for configuration.

```
with niscope.Session('dev1') as scope1, niscope.Session('dev2') as scope2:
    nitclk.configure_for_homogeneous_triggers([scope1, scope2])
    nitclk.initiate([scope1, scope2])
    wfm1 = scope1.fetch()
    wfm2 = scope2.fetch()
```

#### configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers

#### nitclk.configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers(sessions)

Configures the properties commonly required for the TClk synchronization of device sessions with homogeneous triggers in a single PXI chassis or a single PC. Use nitclk. configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers() to configure the properties for the reference clocks, start triggers, reference triggers, script triggers, and pause triggers. If nitclk.configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers() cannot perform all the steps appropriate for the given sessions, it returns an error. If an error is returned, use the instrument driver methods and properties for signal routing, along with the following NI-TClk properties: nitclk.SessionReference.start\_trigger\_master\_session nitclk.SessionReference.ref\_trigger\_master\_session nitclk. SessionReference.script\_trigger\_master\_session nitclk. SessionReference.pause trigger master session nitclk. configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers () affects the following clocks and triggers: -Reference clocks - Start triggers - Reference triggers - Script triggers - Pause triggers Reference Clocks nitclk.configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers() configures the reference clocks if they are needed. Specifically, if the internal sample clocks or internal sample clock timebases are used, and the reference clock source is not configured-or is set to None (no trigger configured)-nitclk.configure for homogeneous triggers () configures the following: PXI-The reference clock source on all devices is set to be the 10 MHz PXI backplane clock (PXI CLK10). PCI-One of the devices exports its 10 MHz onboard reference clock to RTSI 7. The reference clock source on all devices is set to be RTSI 7. Note: If the reference clock source is set to a value other than None, nitclk.configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers()

cannot configure the reference clock source. Start Triggers If the start trigger is set to None (no trigger configured) for all sessions, the sessions are configured to share the start trigger. The start trigger is shared by: - Implicitly exporting the start trigger from one session - Configuring the other sessions for digital edge start triggers with sources corresponding to the exported start trigger - Setting nitclk.SessionReference.start trigger master session to the session that is exporting the trigger for all sessions If the start triggers are None for all except one session, nitclk.configure for homogeneous triggers () configures the sessions to share the start trigger from the one excepted session. The start trigger is shared by: - Implicitly exporting start trigger from the session with the start trigger that is not None - Configuring the other sessions for digital-edge start triggers with sources corresponding to the exported start trigger - Setting nitclk.SessionReference.start\_trigger\_master\_session to the session that is exporting the trigger for all sessions If start triggers are configured for all sessions, nitclk.configure for homogeneous triggers () does not affect the start triggers. Start triggers are considered to be configured for all sessions if either of the following conditions is true: - No session has a start trigger that is None - One session has a start trigger that is None, and all other sessions have start triggers other than None. The one session with the None trigger must have nitclk.SessionReference.start\_trigger\_master\_session set to itself, indicating that the session itself is the start trigger master Reference Triggers nitclk.configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers () configures sessions that support reference triggers to share the reference triggers if the reference triggers are None (no trigger configured) for all except one session. The reference triggers are shared by: - Implicitly exporting the reference trigger from the session whose reference trigger is not None - Configuring the other sessions that support the reference trigger for digital-edge reference triggers with sources corresponding to the exported reference trigger - Setting nitclk.SessionReference. ref trigger master session to the session that is exporting the trigger for all sessions that support reference trigger If the reference triggers are configured for all sessions that support reference triggers, nitclk.configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers () does not affect the reference triggers. Reference triggers are considered to be configured for all sessions if either one or the other of the following conditions is true: - No session has a reference trigger that is None - One session has a reference trigger that is None, and all other sessions have reference triggers other than None. The one session with the None trigger must have *nitclk*. SessionReference.ref\_trigger\_master\_session set to itself, indicating that the session itself is the reference trigger master Reference Trigger Holdoffs Acquisition sessions may be configured with the reference trigger. For acquisition sessions, when the reference trigger is shared, nitclk.configure for homogeneous triggers () configures the holdoff properties (which are instrument driver specific) on the reference trigger master session so that the session does not recognize the reference trigger before the other sessions are ready. This condition is only relevant when the sample clock rates, sample clock timebase rates, sample counts, holdoffs, and/or any delays for the acquisitions are different. When the sample clock rates, sample clock timebase rates, and/or the sample counts are different in acquisition sessions sharing the reference trigger, you should also set the holdoff properties for the reference trigger master using the instrument driver. Script Triggers nitclk.configure for homogeneous triggers () configures sessions that support script triggers to share them, if the script triggers are None (no trigger configured) for all except one session. The script triggers are shared in the following ways: - Implicitly exporting the script trigger from the session whose script trigger is not None -Configuring the other sessions that support the script trigger for digital-edge script triggers with sources corresponding to the exported script trigger - Setting nitclk.SessionReference. script\_trigger\_master\_session to the session that is exporting the trigger for all sessions that support script triggers If the script triggers are configured for all sessions that support script triggers, nitclk.configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers() does not affect script triggers. Script triggers are considered to be configured for all sessions if either one or the other of the following conditions are true: - No session has a script trigger that is None -One session has a script trigger that is None and all other sessions have script triggers other than None. The one session with the None trigger must have nitclk.SessionReference.

script trigger master session set to itself, indicating that the session itself is the script trigger master Pause Triggers nitclk.configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers() configures generation sessions that support pause triggers to share them, if the pause triggers are None (no trigger configured) for all except one session. The pause triggers are shared by: - Implicitly exporting the pause trigger from the session whose script trigger is not None -Configuring the other sessions that support the pause trigger for digital-edge pause triggers with sources corresponding to the exported pause trigger - Setting nitclk.SessionReference. pause trigger master session to the session that is exporting the trigger for all sessions that support script triggers If the pause triggers are configured for all generation sessions that support pause triggers, nitclk.configure\_for\_homogeneous\_triggers() does not affect pause triggers. Pause triggers are considered to be configured for all sessions if either one or the other of the following conditions is true: - No session has a pause trigger that is None - One session has a pause trigger that is None and all other sessions have pause triggers other than None. The one session with the None trigger must have nitclk.SessionReference. pause\_trigger\_master\_session set to itself, indicating that the session itself is the pause trigger master Note: TClk synchronization is not supported for pause triggers on acquisition sessions.

Parameters sessions (list of (Driver Session or nitclk. SessionReference)) - sessions is an array of sessions that are being synchronized.

#### finish\_sync\_pulse\_sender\_synchronize

#### nitclk.finish\_sync\_pulse\_sender\_synchronize (sessions,

min\_time=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0))

Finishes synchronizing the Sync Pulse Sender.

#### Parameters

- **sessions** (list of (nimi-python Session class or nitclk. SessionReference)) - sessions is an array of sessions that are being synchronized.
- min\_time (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Minimal period of TClk, expressed in seconds. Supported values are between 0.0 s and 0.050 s (50 ms). Minimal period for a single chassis/PC is 200 ns. If the specified value is less than 200 ns, NI-TClk automatically coerces minTime to 200 ns. For multichassis synchronization, adjust this value to account for propagation delays through the various devices and cables.

#### initiate

nitclk.initiate(sessions)

Initiates the acquisition or generation sessions specified, taking into consideration any special requirements needed for synchronization. For example, the session exporting the TClk-synchronized start trigger is not initiated until after *nitclk.initiate()* initiates all the sessions that import the TClk-synchronized start trigger.

Parameters sessions (list of (Driver Session or nitclk. SessionReference)) - sessions is an array of sessions that are being synchronized.

#### is\_done

```
nitclk.is_done(sessions)
```

Monitors the progress of the acquisitions and/or generations corresponding to sessions.

```
Parameters sessions (list of (Driver Session or nitclk.
SessionReference)) - sessions is an array of sessions that are being syn-
chronized.
```

Return type bool

**Returns** Indicates that the operation is done. The operation is done when each session has completed without any errors or when any one of the sessions reports an error.

#### setup\_for\_sync\_pulse\_sender\_synchronize

```
nitclk.setup_for_sync_pulse_sender_synchronize(sessions,
```

*min\_time=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0)*) Configures the TClks on all the devices and prepares the Sync Pulse Sender for synchronization

#### **Parameters**

- **sessions** (list of (Driver Session or nitclk. SessionReference)) - sessions is an array of sessions that are being synchronized.
- min\_time (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Minimal period of TClk, expressed in seconds. Supported values are between 0.0 s and 0.050 s (50 ms). Minimal period for a single chassis/PC is 200 ns. If the specified value is less than 200 ns, NI-TClk automatically coerces minTime to 200 ns. For multichassis synchronization, adjust this value to account for propagation delays through the various devices and cables.

#### synchronize

nitclk.synchronize(sessions, min\_tclk\_period=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0))

Synchronizes the TClk signals on the given sessions. After *nitclk.synchronize()* executes, TClk signals from all sessions are synchronized. Note: Before using this NI-TClk method, verify that your system is configured as specified in the PXI Trigger Lines and RTSI Lines topic of the NI-TClk Synchronization Help. You can locate this help file at Start>>Programs>>National Instruments>>NI-TClk.

#### Parameters

- **sessions** (list of (Driver Session or nitclk. SessionReference)) - sessions is an array of sessions that are being synchronized.
- min\_tclk\_period (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) – Minimal period of TClk, expressed in seconds. Supported values are between 0.0 s and 0.050 s (50 ms). Minimal period for a single chassis/PC is 200 ns. If the specified value is less than 200 ns, NI-TClk automatically coerces minTime to 200 ns. For multichassis synchronization, adjust this value to account for propagation delays through the various devices and cables.

#### synchronize\_to\_sync\_pulse\_sender

```
nitclk.synchronize_to_sync_pulse_sender(sessions,
```

min\_time=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0))

Synchronizes the other devices to the Sync Pulse Sender.

#### Parameters

- **sessions** (list of (Driver Session or nitclk. SessionReference)) - sessions is an array of sessions that are being synchronized.
- min\_time (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) Minimal period of TClk, expressed in seconds. Supported values are between 0.0 s and 0.050 s (50 ms). Minimal period for a single chassis/PC is 200 ns. If the specified value is less than 200 ns, NI-TClk automatically coerces minTime to 200 ns. For multichassis synchronization, adjust this value to account for propagation delays through the various devices and cables.

#### wait\_until\_done

- nitclk.wait\_until\_done (sessions, timeout=hightime.timedelta(seconds=0.0))
  - Call this method to pause execution of your program until the acquisitions and/or generations corresponding to sessions are done or until the method returns a timeout error. *nitclk*. *wait\_until\_done()* is a blocking method that periodically checks the operation status. It returns control to the calling program if the operation completes successfully or an error occurs (including a timeout error). This method is most useful for finite data operations that you expect to complete within a certain time.

#### Parameters

- **sessions** (list of (Driver Session or nitclk. SessionReference)) - sessions is an array of sessions that are being synchronized.
- timeout (hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds) The amount of time in seconds that nitclk. wait\_until\_done() waits for the sessions to complete. If timeout is exceeded, nitclk.wait\_until\_done() returns an error.

#### SessionReference

#### class nitclk.SessionReference(session\_number)

Helper class that contains all NI-TClk properties. This class is what is returned by any nimi-python Session class tclk attribute when the driver supports NI-TClk

```
with niscope.Session('dev1') as session:
    session.tclk.sample_clock_delay = .42
```

...note:: Constructing this class is an advanced use case and should not be needed in most circumstances.

```
Parameters session_number
SessionReference) - nitclk session
```

```
(int, nimi-python Session class,
```

#### exported\_sync\_pulse\_output\_terminal

#### nitclk.SessionReference.exported\_sync\_pulse\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination of the Sync Pulse. This property is most often used when synchronizing a multichassis system. Values Empty string. Empty string is a valid value, indicating that the signal is not exported. PXI Devices - 'PXI\_Trig0' through 'PXI\_Trig7' and device-specific settings PCI Devices - 'RTSI\_0' through 'RTSI\_7' and device-specific settings Examples of Device-Specific Settings - NI PXI-5122 supports 'PFI0' and 'PFI1' - NI PXI-5421 supports 'PFI0', 'PFI1', 'PFI4', and 'PFI5' - NI PXI-6551/6552 supports 'PFI0', 'PFI1', 'PFI2', and 'PFI3' Default Value is empty string

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Export Sync Pulse Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NITCLK\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_SYNC\_PULSE\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

#### exported\_tclk\_output\_terminal

#### nitclk.SessionReference.exported\_tclk\_output\_terminal

Specifies the destination of the device's TClk signal. Values Empty string. Empty string is a valid value, indicating that the signal is not exported. PXI Devices - 'PXI\_Trig0' through 'PXI\_Trig7' and device-specific settings PCI Devices - 'RTSI\_0' through 'RTSI\_7' and device-specific settings Examples of Device-Specific Settings - NI PXI-5122 supports 'PFI0' and 'PFI1' - NI PXI-5421 supports 'PFI0', 'PFI1', 'PFI4', and 'PFI5' - NI PXI-6551/6552 supports 'PFI0', 'PFI1', 'PFI2', and 'PFI3' Default Value is empty string

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Output Terminal
- C Attribute: NITCLK\_ATTR\_EXPORTED\_TCLK\_OUTPUT\_TERMINAL

#### pause\_trigger\_master\_session

```
nitclk.SessionReference.pause_trigger_master_session
```

Specifies the pause trigger master session. For external triggers, the session that originally receives the trigger. For None (no trigger configured) or software triggers, the session that originally generates the trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	Driver Session or nitclk.SessionReference
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Pause Trigger Master Session
- C Attribute: NITCLK\_ATTR\_PAUSE\_TRIGGER\_MASTER\_SESSION

#### ref\_trigger\_master\_session

```
nitclk.SessionReference.ref_trigger_master_session
```

Specifies the reference trigger master session. For external triggers, the session that originally receives the trigger. For None (no trigger configured) or software triggers, the session that originally generates the trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	Driver Session or nitclk.SessionReference
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Reference Trigger Master Session
- C Attribute: NITCLK\_ATTR\_REF\_TRIGGER\_MASTER\_SESSION

#### sample\_clock\_delay

nitclk.SessionReference.sample\_clock\_delay

Specifies the sample clock delay. Specifies the delay, in seconds, to apply to the session sample clock relative to the other synchronized sessions. During synchronization, NI-TClk aligns the sample clocks on the synchronized devices. If you want to delay the sample clocks, set this property before calling *nitclk.synchronize()*. not supported for acquisition sessions. Values - Between

minus one and plus one period of the sample clock. One sample clock period is equal to (1/sample clock rate). For example, for a session with sample rate of 100 MS/s, you can specify sample clock delays between -10.0 ns and +10.0 ns. Default Value is 0

Note: Sample clock delay is supported for generation sessions only; it is

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	hightime.timedelta, datetime.timedelta, or float in seconds
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Sample Clock Delay
- C Attribute: NITCLK\_ATTR\_SAMPLE\_CLOCK\_DELAY

#### sequencer\_flag\_master\_session

nitclk.SessionReference.sequencer\_flag\_master\_session

Specifies the sequencer flag master session. For external triggers, the session that originally receives the trigger. For None (no trigger configured) or software triggers, the session that originally generates the trigger.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	Driver Session or nitclk.SessionReference
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Sequencer Flag Master Session
- C Attribute: NITCLK\_ATTR\_SEQUENCER\_FLAG\_MASTER\_SESSION

#### start\_trigger\_master\_session

nitclk.SessionReference.start\_trigger\_master\_session

Specifies the start trigger master session. For external triggers, the session that originally receives the trigger. For None (no trigger configured) or software triggers, the session that originally generates the trigger.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	Driver Session or nitclk.SessionReference
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Start Trigger Master Session
- C Attribute: NITCLK\_ATTR\_START\_TRIGGER\_MASTER\_SESSION

#### sync\_pulse\_clock\_source

#### nitclk.SessionReference.sync\_pulse\_clock\_source

Specifies the Sync Pulse Clock source. This property is typically used to synchronize PCI devices when you want to control RTSI 7 yourself. Make sure that a 10 MHz clock is driven onto RTSI 7. Values PCI Devices - 'RTSI\_7' and 'None' PXI Devices - 'PXI\_CLK10' and 'None' Default Value - 'None' directs *nitclk.synchronize()* to create the necessary routes. For PCI, one of the synchronized devices drives a 10 MHz clock on RTSI 7 unless that line is already being driven.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

**Tip:** This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Sync Pulse Clock Source
- C Attribute: NITCLK\_ATTR\_SYNC\_PULSE\_CLOCK\_SOURCE

#### sync\_pulse\_sender\_sync\_pulse\_source

#### nitclk.SessionReference.sync\_pulse\_sender\_sync\_pulse\_source

Specifies the external sync pulse source for the Sync Pulse Sender. You can use this source to synchronize the Sync Pulse Sender with an external non-TClk source. Values Empty string. Empty string is a valid value, indicating that the signal is not exported. PXI Devices - 'PXI\_Trig0' through 'PXI\_Trig7' and device-specific settings PCI Devices - 'RTSI\_0' through 'RTSI\_7' and device-specific settings Examples of Device-Specific Settings - NI PXI-5122 supports 'PFI0' and 'PFI1' - NI PXI-5421 supports 'PFI0', 'PFI1', 'PFI4', and 'PFI5' - NI PXI-6551/6552 supports 'PFI0', 'PFI1', 'PFI2', and 'PFI2', and 'PFI3' Default Value is empty string

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: External Pulse Source
- C Attribute: NITCLK\_ATTR\_SYNC\_PULSE\_SENDER\_SYNC\_PULSE\_SOURCE

#### sync\_pulse\_source

#### nitclk.SessionReference.sync\_pulse\_source

Specifies the Sync Pulse source. This property is most often used when synchronizing a multichassis system. Values Empty string PXI Devices - 'PXI\_Trig0' through 'PXI\_Trig7' and device-specific settings PCI Devices - 'RTSI\_0' through 'RTSI\_7' and device-specific settings Examples of Device-Specific Settings - NI PXI-5122 supports 'PFI0' and 'PFI1' - NI PXI-5421 supports 'PFI0', 'PFI1', 'PFI2', and 'PFI3' - NI PXI-6551/6552 supports 'PFI0', 'PFI1', 'PFI2', and 'PFI3' Default Value - Empty string. This default value directs *nitclk.synchronize()* to set this property when all the synchronized devices are in one PXI chassis. To synchronize a multichassis system, you must set this property before calling *nitclk.synchronize()*.

The following table lists the characteristics of this property.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	str
Permissions	read-write
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

Tip: This property corresponds to the following LabVIEW Property or C Attribute:

- LabVIEW Property: Sync Pulse Source
- C Attribute: NITCLK\_ATTR\_SYNC\_PULSE\_SOURCE

#### tclk\_actual\_period

nitclk.SessionReference.tclk\_actual\_period

Indicates the computed TClk period that will be used during the acquisition.

Characteristic	Value
Datatype	float
Permissions	read only
Channel Based	No
Resettable	No

- LabVIEW Property: Period
- C Attribute: NITCLK\_ATTR\_TCLK\_ACTUAL\_PERIOD

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  - ref\_trigger\_master\_session
  - sample\_clock\_delay
  - sequencer\_flag\_master\_session
  - start\_trigger\_master\_session
  - sync\_pulse\_clock\_source
  - sync\_pulse\_sender\_sync\_pulse\_source
  - sync\_pulse\_source
  - tclk\_actual\_period

#### **Exceptions and Warnings**

#### Error

```
exception nitclk.errors.Error
Base exception type that all NI-TClk exceptions derive from
```

#### **DriverError**

**exception** nitclk.errors.**DriverError** An error originating from the NI-TClk driver

#### **UnsupportedConfigurationError**

```
exception nitclk.errors.UnsupportedConfigurationError
An error due to using this module in an usupported platform.
```

#### **DriverNotInstalledError**

**exception** nitclk.errors.**DriverNotInstalledError** An error due to using this module without the driver runtime installed.

#### **DriverWarning**

**exception** nitclk.errors.**DriverWarning** A warning originating from the NI-TClk driver

#### **Examples**

You can download all nitclk examples here

#### nitclk\_niscope\_synchronize\_with\_trigger.py

Listing 22:	(nitclk_	_niscope_	_synchronize_	_with_	_trigger.py	)
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```
import argparse
1
   import niscope
2
   import nitclk
3
   import sys
4
   import time
5
6
7
   def example(resource_name1, resource_name2, options):
8
       with niscope.Session(resource_name=resource_name1, options=options) as session1,...
9

whiscope.Session(resource_name=resource_name2, options=options) as session2:

           session_list = [session1, session2]
10
           for session in session_list:
11
               session.configure_vertical(range=1.0, coupling=niscope.VerticalCoupling.
12
   →DC)
               session.configure_horizontal_timing(min_sample_rate=50000000, min_num_
13
   →pts=1000, ref_position=50.0, num_records=1, enforce_realtime=True)
```

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```
session1.trigger_type = niscope.TriggerType.SOFTWARE
14
           nitclk.configure_for_homogeneous_triggers(session_list)
15
           nitclk.synchronize(session_list, 200e-9)
16
           nitclk.initiate(session_list)
17
           time.sleep(100)
18
           session1.send_software_trigger_edge(niscope.WhichTrigger.START)
19
           waveforms = session2.channels[0].fetch(num_samples=1000)
20
           for i in range(len(waveforms)):
21
               print('Waveform {0} information:'.format(i))
22
               print(str(waveforms[i]) + '\n\n')
23
24
25
26
   def __main(argsv):
       parser = argparse.ArgumentParser(description='Synchronizes multiple instruments...
27
   parser.add_argument('-n1', '--resource-name1', default='PXI1Slot2', help=
28
   ↔ 'Resource name of a NI Digitizer')
       parser.add_argument('-n2', '--resource-name2', default='PXI1Slot3', help=
29
   ↔ 'Resource name of a NI Digitizer')
       parser.add_argument('-op', '--option-string', default='', type=str, help='Option...
30
   \leftrightarrow string')
       args = parser.parse_args(argsv)
31
       example(args.resource_name1, args.resource_name2, args.option_string)
32
33
34
35
   def main():
       _main(sys.argv[1:])
36
37
38
   def test_example():
39
       options = {'simulate': True, 'driver_setup': {'Model': '5164', 'BoardType': 'PXIe
40
   \leftrightarrow ', }, }
       example('PXI1Slot2', 'PXI1Slot13', options)
41
42
43
   def test_main():
44
       cmd_line = ['--option-string', 'Simulate=1, DriverSetup=Model:5164; BoardType:PXIe
45
   →', ]
46
       _main(cmd_line)
47
48
   if __name__ == '__main__':
49
       main()
50
51
```

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