cDAQ-9170 Specifications

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These specifications apply to the cDAQ-9170.

Revision History

Version	Date changed	Description
379134A-01	March 2025	Initial release.

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Definitions

Warranted Specifications describe the performance of a model under stated operating conditions and are covered by the model warranty.

Characteristics describe values that are relevant to the use of the model under stated operating conditions but are not covered by the model warranty.

- **Typical**—describes the performance met by a majority of models.

- **Nominal**—describes an attribute that is based on design, conformance testing, or supplemental testing.

Values are ***Typical*** unless otherwise noted.

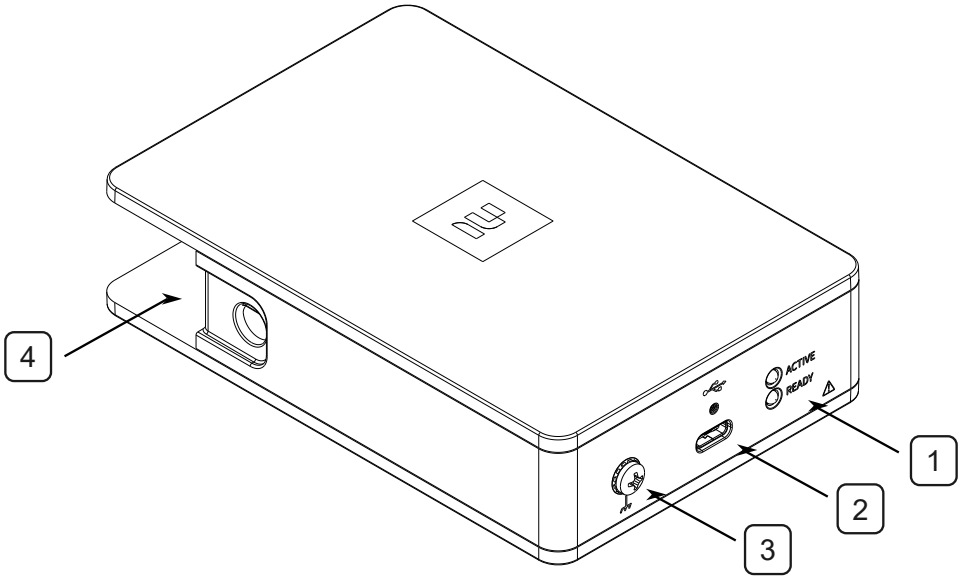
Conditions

Specifications are valid at 25 °C unless otherwise noted.

cDAQ-9170 Features overview

Refer to the chassis diagram to understand the connectors, LEDs, and other features of the cDAQ-9170.

Figure 2. cDAQ-9170 Feature overview

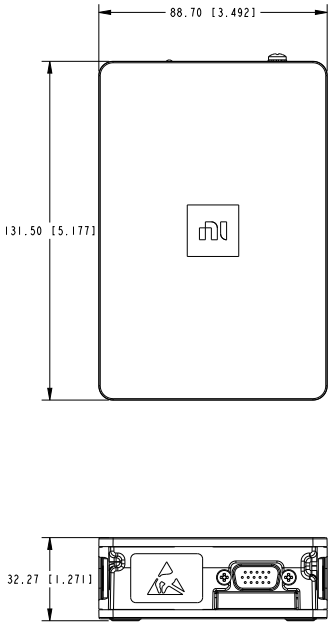


1. ACTIVE and READY LEDs
2. USB-C Port, with strain relief
3. Chassis Grounding Screw
4. Module Slot

Physical Characteristics

Weight (unloaded)	353 g (12.5 oz)
Dimensions (unloaded)	131.50 mm × 88.70 mm × 32.27 mm(5.177 in. × 3.492 in. × 1.271 in.) Refer to the following figure.
USB connector securement	
USB securement type	Jackscrew provided on locking USB cable (part number 758787-01 or 769493-01)
Torque for jackscrew	0.41 N · m (3.6 lb · in.)
Chassis ground	
Gauge	1.31 mm^2 (16 AWG) or larger wire
Torque for ground screw	0.76 N · m (6.7 lb · in.)

Figure 3. cDAQ-9170 Dimensions



Analog Input

Table 2. Analog Input

Input FIFO size	127 samples
Maximum sample rate[1]	Determined by the C Series module
Timing accuracy[2]	50 ppm of sample rate
Timing resolution	12.5 ns
Number of channels supported	Determined by the C Series module

Analog Output

Table 3. Number of channels supported (hardware-timed task)

Regeneration	**Channels Supported**
Onboard regeneration	16
Non-regeneration	Determined by the C Series module

1. Performance dependent on type of installed C Series module and number of channels in the task.
2. Does not include group delay. For more information, refer to the documentation for each C Series module.

Table 4. Number of channels supported (non-hardware-timed task)

Channels supported	Determined by the C Series module

Table 5. Maximum update rate

Onboard regeneration	1.6 MS/s (multi-channel, aggregate)
Non-regeneration	Determined by the C Series module

Table 6. Analog Output Timing

Timing accuracy	50 ppm of sample rate
Timing resolution	12.5 ns

Table 7. Output FIFO size

Onboard regeneration	8,191 samples shared among channels used
Non-regeneration	127 samples

Table 8. Analog Output Waveform

AO waveform modes	Non-periodic waveform, periodic waveform regeneration mode from onboard memory, periodic waveform regeneration from host buffer including dynamic update

Digital Waveform Characteristics

Table 9. Waveform acquisition (DI) FIFO

Parallel modules	511 samples
Serial modules	63 samples

Table 10. Waveform generation (DO) FIFO

Parallel modules	2,047 samples per slot

Serial modules	63 samples per slot

Table 11. Digital input sample clock frequency

Streaming to application memory	System-dependent
Finite	0 MHz to 10 MHz

Table 12. Digital output sample clock frequency

Streaming from application memory	System-dependent
Regeneration from FIFO	0 MHz to 10 MHz
Finite	0 MHz to 10 MHz

Table 13. Digital waveform timing

Timing accuracy	50 ppm

General-Purpose Counters/Timers

Number of counters/ timers	4
Resolution	32 bits
Counter measurements	Edge counting, pulse, semi-period, period, two-edge separation, pulse width
Position measurements	X1, X2, X4 quadrature encoding with Channel Z reloading; two-pulse encoding

Output applications	Pulse, pulse train with dynamic updates, frequency division, equivalent time sampling
Internal base clocks	80 MHz, 20 MHz, 100 kHz
External base clock frequency	0 MHz to 20 MHz
Base clock accuracy	50 ppm
Output frequency	0 MHz to 20 MHz
Inputs	Gate, Source, HW_Arm, Aux, A, B, Z, Up_Down
Routing options for inputs	Any module PFI,analog trigger, many internal signals
FIFO	Dedicated 127-sample FIFO

Frequency Generator

Table 14. Freqency generator

Number of channels	1
Base clocks[3]	20 MHz, 10 MHz, 100 kHz
Divisors	1 to 16 (integers)
Base clock accuracy	50 ppm

3. Base clocks can be synchronized with other chassis using the network synchronization feature.

Module PFI Characteristics

Table 15. Module PFI Characteristics

Functionality	Static digital input, static digital output, timing input, and timing output
Timing output sources[4]	Many analog input, analog output, counter, digital input, and digital output timing signals
Timing input frequency	0 MHz to 20 MHz
Timing output frequency	0 MHz to 20 MHz

Digital Triggers

Table 16. Digital triggers

Source	Any module PFI terminal
Polarity	Software-selectable for most signals
Analog input function	Start Trigger, Reference Trigger, Pause Trigger, Sample Clock, Sample Clock Timebase
Analog output function	Start Trigger, Pause Trigger, Sample Clock, Sample Clock Timebase
Counter/timer function	Gate, Source, HW_Arm, Aux, A, B, Z, Up_Down

Module I/O States

At power-on	Module-dependent. Refer to the documentation for each C Series module.

Note The cDAQ-9170 may revert the input/output of the modules to their power-on state when the USB cable is removed.

4. Actual available signals are dependent on type of installed C Series module.

Power Requirements

Note Some C Series modules have additional power requirements. For more information about C Series module power requirements, refer to the documentation for each C Series module.

Note Sleep mode for C Series modules is not supported in the cDAQ-9170.

Power consumption from USB	5 V, 500 mA maximum
Suspend mode	2.5 mA maximum

Bus Interface

USB specification	USB 2.0 Hi-Speed
High-performance data streams	6
Data stream types available	Analog input, analog output, digital input, digital output, counter/timer input, counter/timer output, NI-XNET

Note When a session is active, CAN or LIN (NI-XNET) C Series modules use a total of two data streams regardless of the number of NI-XNET modules in the chassis.

Note If you are connecting the cDAQ-9170 to a USB hub, the hub must be externally powered.

Environmental Characteristics

Temperature	
Operating	-20 °C to 55 °C
Storage	-40 °C to 85 °C
Humidity	
Operating	10% to 90% RH, noncondensing
Storage	5% to 95% RH, noncondensing
Ingress Protection	IP 40
Pollution Degree	2
Maximum altitude	5,000 m

Shock and Vibration

To meet these specifications, you must panel mount the cDAQ-9170 system, use an NI locking USB cable, and affix ferrules to the ends of the terminal lines.

Operational shock	30 g peak, half-sine, 11 ms pulse (Tested in accordance with IEC 60068-2-27. Test profile developed in accordance with MIL-PRF-28800F.)
Random vibration	

Operating	5 to 500 Hz, 0.3g_{rms}
Non-operating	5 to 500 Hz, 2.4g_{rms} (Tested in accordance with IEC 60068-2-64. Non-operating test profile exceeds the requirements of MIL PRF-28800F, Class 3.)