

USER GUIDE AND TERMINAL BLOCK  
SPECIFICATIONS

# NIPXIe-4304/4305 and TB-4304

32 Ch, 24-bit, 5 kS/s or 51.2 kS/s Simultaneous Filtered Data  
Acquisition Module

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This document explains how to install, configure, and set up the NI PXIe-4304 and NI PXIe-4305 (NI PXIe-4304/4305) simultaneous filtered modules with the NI TB-4304 terminal block. Driver support for the NI PXIe-4304/4305 was first available in NI-DAQmx 15.1.1. For the list of devices supported by a specific release, refer to the *NI-DAQmx Readme*, available on the version-specific download page or installation media.



**Note** The keying of these terminal blocks prevents them from connecting to other modules that could be damaged by the voltage present on the terminal block. However, you should only use these terminal blocks with their supported modules.

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# Electromagnetic Compatibility Guidelines

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This product was tested and complies with the regulatory requirements and limits for electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) stated in the product specifications. These requirements and limits provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the product is operated in the intended operational electromagnetic environment.

This product is intended for use in industrial locations. However, harmful interference may occur in some installations, when the product is connected to a peripheral device or test object, or if the product is used in residential or commercial areas. To minimize interference with radio and television reception and prevent unacceptable performance degradation, install and use this product in strict accordance with the instructions in the product documentation.

Furthermore, any modifications to the product not expressly approved by National Instruments could void your authority to operate it under your local regulatory rules.



**Caution** To ensure the specified EMC performance, operate this product only with shielded, twisted pair cables and shielded accessories.



**Caution** To ensure the specified EMC performance, the length of all I/O cables must be no longer than 30 m (100 ft).

# What You Need to Get Started

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To set up and use a NI PXIe-4304/4305 module with a TB-4304 terminal block, you need the following items:

- ☐ Hardware
  - NI PXIe-4304/4305 module
  - TB-4304 terminal block

- NI PXI Express chassis
- Cabling and sensors as required for your application
- Tools
  - Number 1 and 2 Phillips-head screwdrivers
  - 1/8 in. flathead screwdriver
  - Long-nose pliers
  - Wire cutter
  - Wire insulation stripper
- Documentation
  - *NI PXIe-4304/4305 and TB-4304 User Guide and Terminal Block Specifications*
  - *NI PXIe-4304/4305 User Manual*
  - PXI Express chassis user manual

You can download needed documents from [ni.com/manuals](http://ni.com/manuals).

## Installation

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### Install the Software



**Note** You must be an administrator to install NI software and devices on your computer.

Ensure that the following software is installed before installing the PXIe-4304/4305 and TB-4304 hardware:

1. Your application software, such as LabVIEW, LabWindows™CVI™ or .NET.
2. NI-DAQmx—NI PXIe-4304/4305 modules were first supported in NI-DAQmx 15.1.1.



**Note** For detailed NI software version support, refer to the *NI-DAQmx Readme*. Back up any applications before upgrading software or modifying the application.

### Unpack and Install the Module

Remove the packaging and inspect the module. Contact NI if the module is damaged. Do not install a damaged module.



**Caution** The module is static sensitive. Always properly ground yourself and the equipment when handling or connecting to the module.

Complete the following steps to install the NI PXIe-4304/4305 module while referring to Figures 1 and 2:



**Note** To maintain forced air cooling in the PXI Express system, refer to the *Maintain Forced-Air Cooling Note to Users*.

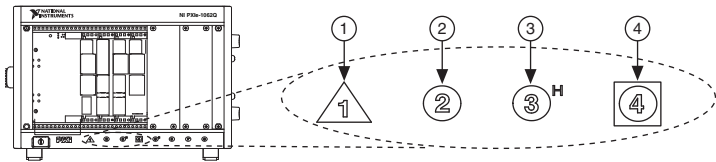
1. Plug in your chassis before installing the NI PXIe-4304/4305. The power cord grounds the chassis and protects it from electrical damage while you install the module.
2. Make sure the chassis is powered off.



**Caution** To protect yourself, the chassis, and the NI PXIe-4304/4305 from electrical hazards, leave the chassis powered off until you finish installing the NI PXIe-4304/4305 module.

3. Touch a metal part on the chassis to discharge any accumulated static electricity.
4. Identify a supported PXI Express slot in the chassis. NI PXIe-4304/4305 modules can be placed only in PXI Express Peripheral slots, PXI Express Hybrid Peripheral slots, and PXI Express System Timing slots. Refer to the chassis documentation for details.

**Figure 1. Symbols for PXI Express/PXI Express Hybrid/PXI Slots**



- |   |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
| 1 | PXI Express System Controller Slot |
| 2 | PXI Peripheral Slot                |

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|---|------------------------------------|
| 3 | PXI Express Hybrid Peripheral Slot |
| 4 | PXI Express System Timing Slot     |

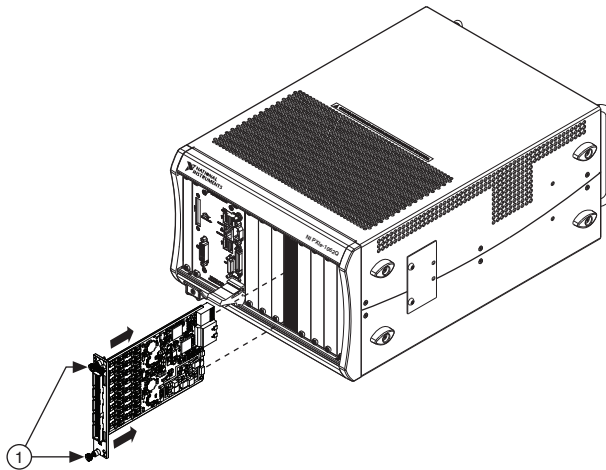
5. Remove the filler panel, and touch any metal part of the chassis to discharge static electricity.
6. Place the module edges into the module guides at the top and bottom of the slot.



**Caution** When installing the module, make sure both edges are positioned inside the guides and that the module components do not come into contact with adjacent modules.

7. Slide the module along the guides until it reaches the rear connector then seat the module by pushing the front panel until it is flush with the front panel of the chassis.
8. Secure the module to the chassis using the front-panel captive screws, shown in Figure 2. Tighten the screws to 0.31 N · m (2.7 lb · in.).

**Figure 2.** Installing NI PXIe-4304/4305 Modules



1 Captive Screws

## Connect the Signals



**Caution** For EMC compliance, operate this product with shielded cables and accessories.

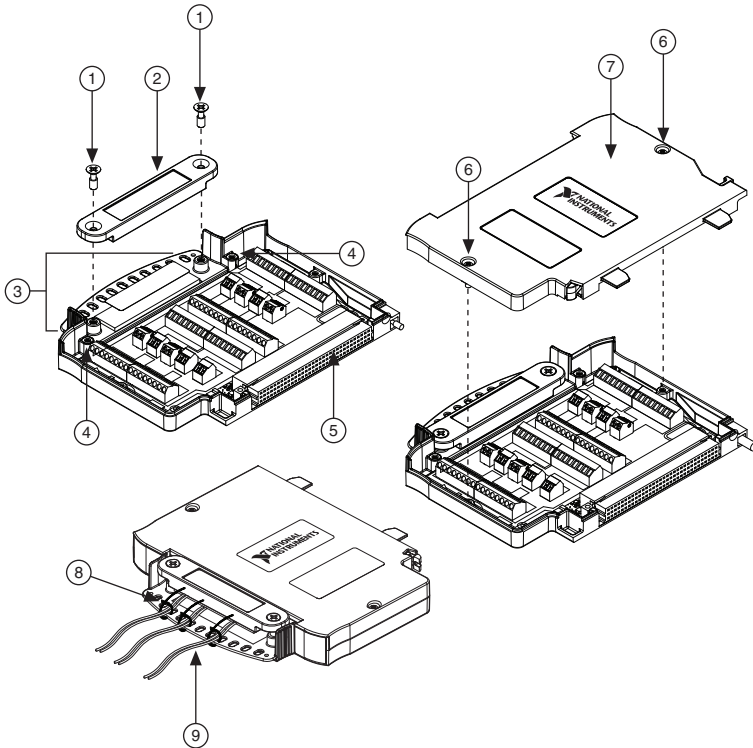
To connect signals to the terminal block, refer to Figures 3 and 4 while completing the following steps:



**Note** You can find the pinout names and locations in Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX) at any time by right-clicking the device name under **Devices and Interfaces** and selecting **Device Pinouts**.

1. Loosen the captive top cover screws and remove the top cover.
2. Loosen the strain-relief screws and remove the strain-relief bar.
3. Prepare the shielded signal wire by stripping the insulation no more than 7 mm (0.28 in.).
4. Run the shielded signal wires through the strain-relief opening.

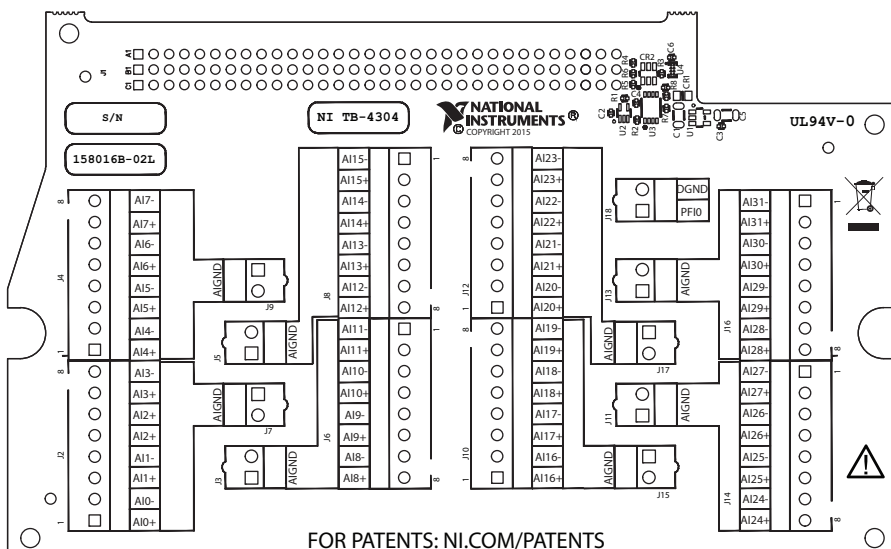
**Figure 3. TB-4304 Parts Locator Diagram**



1 Strain-Relief Screws	4 Ground Lugs	7 Top Cover
2 Strain-Relief Bar	5 Terminal Block to Module Connector	8 Tie Wraps
3 Tie Wrap Holes	6 Captive Top Cover Screws	9 Shielded Signal Wires

5. Insert the stripped end of the shielded signal wires fully into the appropriate terminal. Refer to the label next to each screw terminal to determine the function of the terminal. The *NI PXIe-4304/4305 User Manual* provides more detailed wiring information. Make sure no exposed wire extends past the screw terminal. Exposed wire increases the risk of a short circuit that can cause circuit failure.

**Figure 4. TB-4304 Circuit Board Parts Locator Diagram**



**Note** Refer to the *NI PXIe-4304/4305 User Manual* for wiring diagrams showing how to connect sensors to the TB-4304.

6. Tighten the terminal screws to a torque of 0.2 to 0.25 N · m (1.77 to 2.21 lb · in.).



**Caution** Any wires connected to the ground must be sufficiently insulated from high voltage.

7. Use the ground lugs to attach a shield wire to the ground.



**Note** Refer to the *NI PXIe-4304/4305 User Manual* for details about shielding the signals.

8. Reinstall the strain-relief bar and tighten the strain-relief screws.
9. Use tie wraps to connect the shielded signal wires to the tie-wrap holes for additional strain relief when necessary.
10. Reinstall the top cover and tighten the captive top cover screws.



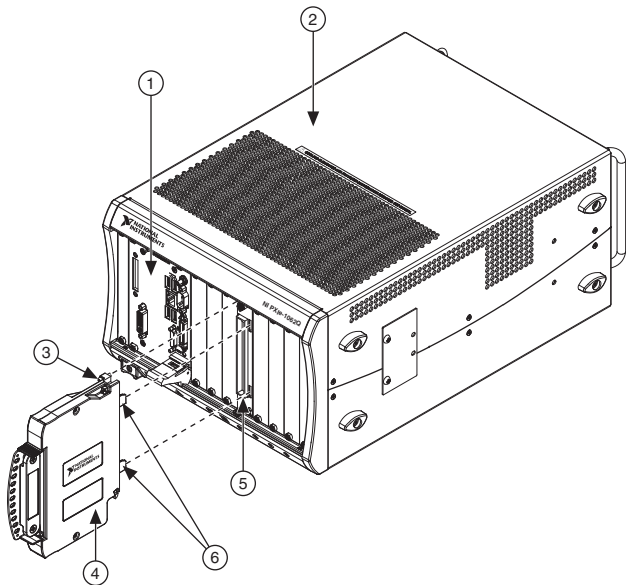
**Note** For information about sensors, go to [ni.com/sensors](https://ni.com/sensors).

# Install the Terminal Block

Refer to Figure 5 to install the terminal block on the module while completing the following steps:

1. Move the TB-4304 into position in front of the NI PXIe-4304/4305 and engage the alignment feature with the guide on the associated module.

**Figure 5.** Installing the TB-4304 on the NI PXIe-4304/4305 Module



1	PXI Express Controller	3	Mounting Screw	5	NI PXIe-4304/4305 Module
2	PXI Express Chassis	4	TB-4304 Terminal Block	6	Alignment Feature

2. Attach the TB-4304 to the NI PXIe-4304/4305 module by pushing the terminal block straight into the module. A spring mechanism will lock in the bottom of the terminal block.
3. Tighten the mounting screw at the top of the TB-4304 to attach it to the NI PXIe-4304/4305 module.



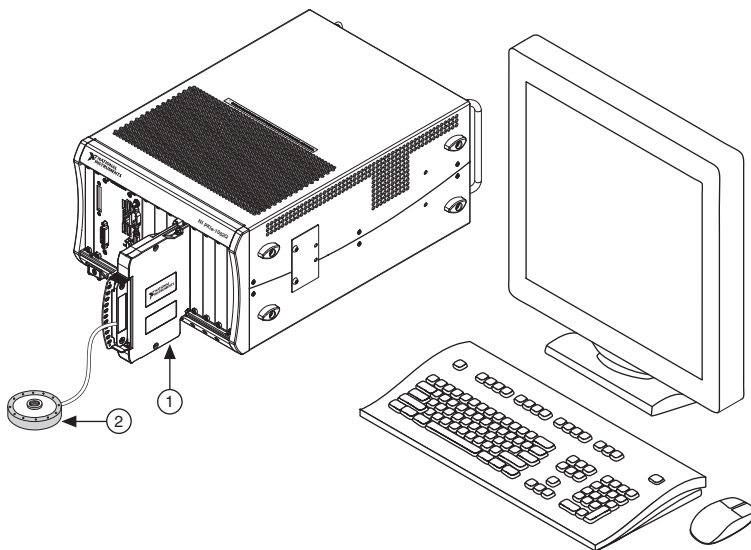
**Note** For safety purposes and to prevent damage to equipment when high voltages are present, all NI PXIe-4304/4305 modules and TB-4304 terminal blocks are keyed to prevent connection between incompatible terminal blocks, modules, and/or cables.

4. Power on the chassis.



Figure 6 shows an example NI PXIe-4304/4305 system setup.

**Figure 6.** Sample NI PXIe-4304/4305 System



1 Terminal Block

2 Signal Input

## Confirm NI PXIe-4304/4305 Module Recognition

To confirm module recognition, complete the following steps:

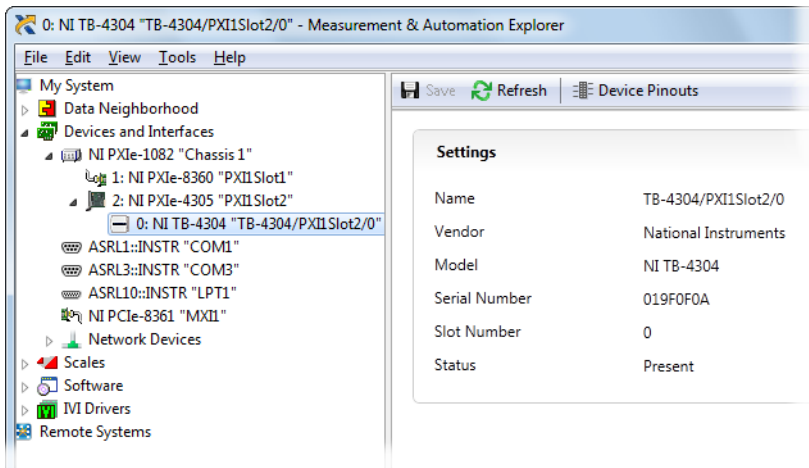


**Note** Software support for the NI PXIe-4304/4305 is provided by NI-DAQmx. The DAQ Getting Started Guide, which you can download at [ni.com/manuals](http://ni.com/manuals), offers step-by-step NI-DAQmx instructions for installing software and hardware, configuring channels and tasks, and getting started developing an application. For detailed NI software version support, refer to the *NI-DAQmx Readme*.

1. Launch MAX.



2. Expand **Devices and Interfaces**, and expand the chassis in which the module is located to confirm that MAX detects the module and terminal block. The terminal block should appear beneath its associated module. If your module or terminal block is not listed, press <F5> to refresh MAX. If the module is still not recognized, go to [ni.com/support/daqmx](http://ni.com/support/daqmx).



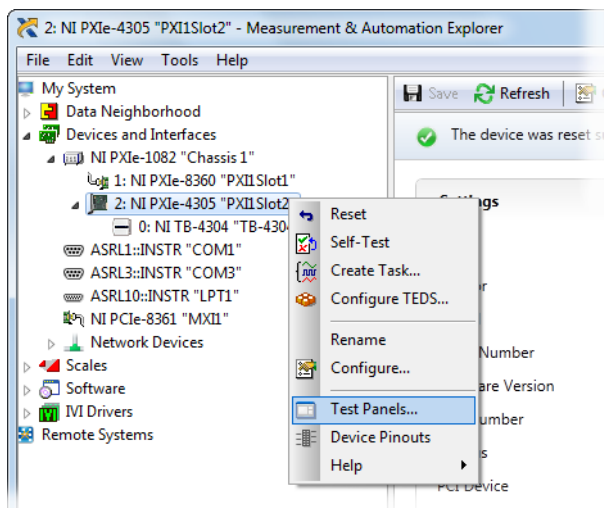
**Tip** Using an NI-DAQmx simulated device, you can test NI-DAQmx applications without installing hardware. Refer to the [Create a Simulated Device](#) section for instructions for creating NI-DAQmx simulated devices.

3. Right-click the module name and select **Self-Test**. When the self-test completes, a verification message appears. If an error occurs, refer to [ni.com/support/daqmx](http://ni.com/support/daqmx).

For information about sensors, go to [ni.com/sensors](http://ni.com/sensors).

## Run Test Panels

1. In MAX, expand **Devices and Interfaces** select the chassis in which the module is located.
2. Right-click the device, and select **Test Panels**.



3. Click **Start** to test device functions, or **Help** for operating instructions.

To troubleshoot errors, refer to the *NI-DAQmx Help*, or go to [ni.com/support](http://ni.com/support).

## Take an NI-DAQmx Measurement

### NI-DAQmx Channels and Tasks

Refer to the *NI-DAQmx Help* for complete information about channels and tasks.

Use the DAQ Assistant to configure virtual channels and tasks in MAX or in your application.

### Configure a Task Using the DAQ Assistant in MAX

Complete the following steps to create a task using the DAQ Assistant in MAX:

1. In MAX, right-click **Data Neighborhood** and select **Create New** to open the DAQ Assistant.
2. Select **NI-DAQmx Task** and click **Next**.
3. Select **Acquire Signals**.
4. Select the analog input, and the measurement type, such as voltage.
5. Select the physical channel(s) to use and click **Next**.
6. Name the task and click **Finish**.
7. Configure the individual channel settings. Each physical channel you assign to a task receives a virtual channel name. To modify the input range or other settings, select the channel. Click **Details** for physical channel information. Configure the timing and triggering for your task. Click **Run**.

# Use Your NI PXIe-4304/4305 Module in an Application

For NI software version compatibility, refer to the *NI-DAQmx Readme*, available from **Start»All Programs»National Instruments»NI-DAQmx**.

To get started with data acquisition in your application software, refer to the tutorials listed in Table 1.

**Table 1.** DAQ Assistant Tutorial Locations

Application	Tutorial Location
LabVIEW	Go to <a href="http://ni.com">ni.com</a> and search for Taking an NI-DAQmx Measurement in LabVIEW.
LabWindows/CVI	Go to <b>Help»Contents</b> . Next, go to <b>Using LabWindows/CVI»Data Acquisition»Taking an NI-DAQmx Measurement in LabWindows/CVI</b> .
Measurement Studio	Go to <b>NI Measurement Studio Help»Getting Started with the Measurement Studio Class Libraries»Measurement Studio Walkthroughs»Walkthrough: Creating a Measurement Studio NI-DAQmx Application</b> .
NI SignalExpress*	Go to <b>Help»Taking an NI-DAQmx Measurement in SignalExpress</b> .
* NI SignalExpress, an easy-to-use configuration-based tool for data logging applications, is at <b>Start»All Programs»National Instruments»NI SignalExpress</b> .	

## Programming Examples

NI-DAQmx includes example programs to help you get started developing an application. LabVIEW and CVI examples are located at **Help»Find Examples** in your application software. Text-based code examples are located at **All Programs»National Instruments»NI-DAQmx»Text-Based Code Support**. Modify example code and save it in an application, or use examples to develop a new application or add example code to an existing application.

For other examples, go to [ni.com/info](http://ni.com/info) and enter the Info Code daqmxexp.

## Terminal Block Removal

To remove the terminal block, refer to Figure 7 while completing the following steps:

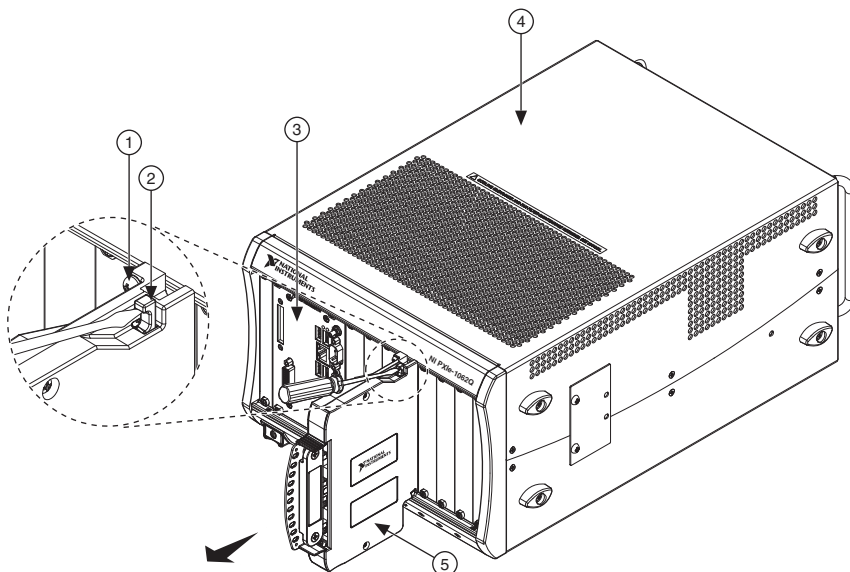


**Note** The chassis can be powered on or off when removing the terminal block.

- Loosen the terminal block mounting screw located at the top of the terminal block.
- To remove the terminal block:
  - Raise the latch release using a flathead screwdriver to disengage the latch.

- b. With the latch release raised, grasp the terminal block and pull it away from the module.

**Figure 7. Removing the TB-4304 from the NI PXIe-4304/4305 Module**



- |                  |                          |                          |
|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Mounting Screw | 3 PXI Express Controller | 5 TB-4304 Terminal Block |
| 2 Latch Release  | 4 PXI Express Chassis    |                          |

3. Store the terminal block in an antistatic protective bag.

## Module Removal



**Caution** Do *not* remove a module with the power on. Doing so can damage the module.

To remove the module, refer to Figure 8 while completing the following steps:



**Note** To maintain forced air cooling in the PXI Express system, refer to the *Maintain Forced-Air Cooling Note to Users*.

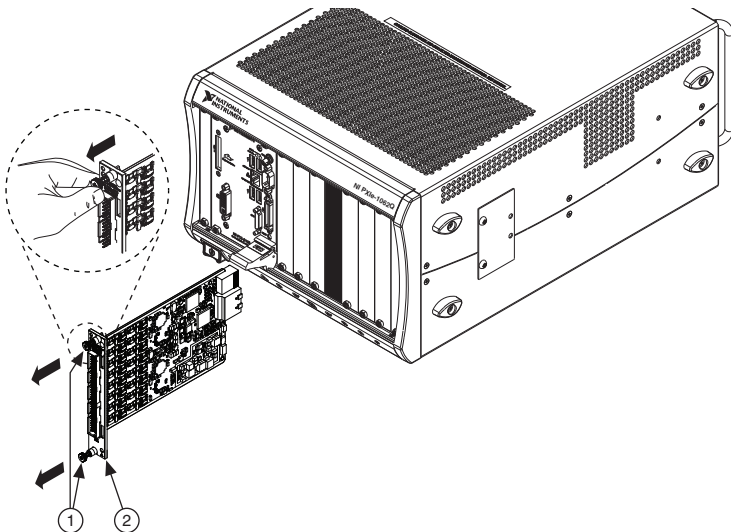
1. Make sure that the chassis is powered off before removing the module.
2. Loosen the captive screws on the top and bottom of the module.



**Caution** Do *not* pull the front panel to remove the module. Doing so may cause module components to come into contact with adjacent modules, causing damage to the modules.

3. Pull the captive screws to unseat the module and slowly slide the module along the guides.
4. Replace the filler panel in the empty slot.
5. Store the module in an antistatic protective bag.

**Figure 8. Removing NI PXIe-4304/4305 Modules**



1 Captive Screws (Use to remove modules.)

2 Front Panel (Do not use to remove modules.)

## Create a Simulated Device

To run examples without the hardware installed, use an NI-DAQmx simulated device. To create a simulated device in MAX:

1. Launch MAX.
2. Right click **Devices and Interfaces»Create New.**
3. From the dialog, select **Simulated NI-DAQmx Device or Modular Instrument.**
4. Type 4304 or 4305 in the text box at the top of the window.
5. Select the device from the list provided.
6. Click **OK.**

## More Information

After you install NI-DAQmx, the NI-DAQmx documentation is available from **Start»All Programs»National Instruments»NI-DAQmx**. Additional resources are online at [ni.com/gettingstarted](http://ni.com/gettingstarted).

You can access online device documentation by right-clicking your module in MAX and selecting **Help»Online Device Documentation**. A browser window opens to [ni.com/manuals](http://ni.com/manuals) with the results of a search for relevant documents. If you do not have Web access, documents for supported modules are included on the NI-DAQmx disc.

# Troubleshooting

- Go to [ni.com/support/install](http://ni.com/support/install) or [ni.com/kb](http://ni.com/kb).
- If you need to return your NI hardware for repair or device calibration, go to [ni.com/info](http://ni.com/info) and enter `rdseenn` to start the Return Merchandise Authorization (RMA) process.

# Specifications (TB-4304)

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**Note** NI PXIe-4304/4305 module specifications are located in the *NI PXIe-4304/4305 Specifications* document.

All performance specifications are *typical* unless otherwise noted. These specifications are valid within the full operating temperature range.

## Calibration

Calibration interval..... No calibration

## Electrical

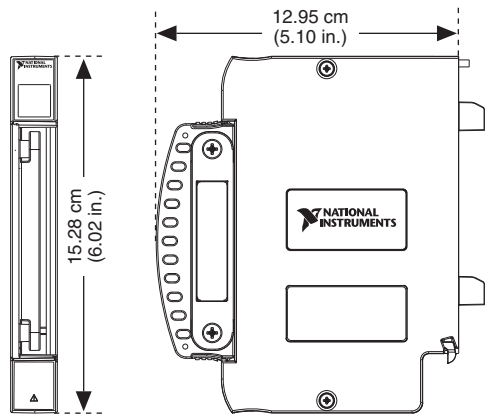
Input range..... Refer to *NI PXIe-4304/4305 Specifications*

## Mechanical

Screw terminal wire gauge ..... 1.5 mm<sup>2</sup> (16 AWG), max

# Physical

Figure 9. TB-4304 Dimensions



Weight

TB-4304 ..... 556 g (20 oz)



**Caution** Clean the hardware with a soft, nonmetallic brush. Make sure that the hardware is completely dry and free from contaminants before returning it to service.

## Environmental Specifications

Maximum altitude ..... 2,000 m (800 mbar), at 25 °C ambient temperature

Pollution Degree ..... 2

Indoor use only

## Operating Environment

Ambient temperature range ..... 0 °C to 55 °C  
(Tested in accordance with IEC 60068-2-1 and IEC 60068-2-2. Meets MIL-PRF-28800F Class 3 low temperature limit and MIL-PRF-28800F Class 2 high temperature limit.)

Relative humidity range ..... 10% to 90%, noncondensing  
(Tested in accordance with IEC 60068-2-56.)



# Storage Environment



Ambient temperature range .....	-40 °C to 71 °C (Tested in accordance with IEC 60068-2-1 and IEC 60068-2-2. Meets MIL-PRF-28800F Class 3 limits.)
Relative humidity range.....	5% to 95%, noncondensing (Tested in accordance with IEC 60068-2-56.)

# Shock and Vibration

Operating shock .....	30 g peak, half-sine, 11 ms pulse (Tested in accordance with IEC 60068-2-27. Meets MIL-PRF-28800F Class 2 limits.)
Random vibration	
Operating .....	5 Hz to 500 Hz, 0.3 g <sub>rms</sub>
Non-operating .....	5 Hz to 500 Hz, 2.4 g <sub>rms</sub> (Tested in accordance with IEC 60068-2-64. Non-operating test profile exceeds the requirements of MIL-PRF-28800F, Class 3.)

# Safety


Measurement Category .....	I <sup>1</sup>
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- **Caution** Do *not* connect the TB-4304 to signals or use for measurements within Measurement Categories II, III or IV.
- **Caution** The protection provided by the TB-4304 can be impaired if it is used in a manner not described in this document.

# Safety Standards

This product meets the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- IEC 61010-1, EN 61010-1
- UL 61010-1, CSA 61010-1

**Note** For UL and other safety certifications, refer to the product label or the [Online Product Certification](#) section.

<sup>1</sup> Measurement Categories CAT I and CAT O are equivalent. These test and measurement circuits are not intended for direct connection to the MAINS building installations of Measurement Categories CAT II, CAT III, or CAT IV.

# Electromagnetic Compatibility

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This product meets the requirements of the following EMC standards for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use:

- EN 61326-1 (IEC 61326-1): Class A emissions; Basic immunity
- EN 55011 (CISPR 11): Group 1, Class A emissions
- EN 55022 (CISPR 22): Class A emissions
- EN 55024 (CISPR 24): Immunity
- AS/NZS CISPR 11: Group 1, Class A emissions
- AS/NZS CISPR 22: Class A emissions
- FCC 47 CFR Part 15B: Class A emissions
- ICES-001: Class A emissions



**Note** In the United States (per FCC 47 CFR), Class A equipment is intended for use in commercial, light-industrial, and heavy-industrial locations. In Europe, Canada, Australia and New Zealand (per CISPR 11) Class A equipment is intended for use only in heavy-industrial locations.



**Note** Group 1 equipment (per CISPR 11) is any industrial, scientific, or medical equipment that does not intentionally generate radio frequency energy for the treatment of material or inspection/analysis purposes.



**Note** For the standards applied to assess the EMC of this product, refer to the [Online Product Certification](#) section.

## CE Compliance

This product meets the essential requirements of applicable European Directives as follows:

- 2014/35/EU; Low-Voltage Directive (safety)
- 2014/30/EU; Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive (EMC)

## Online Product Certification

Refer to the product Declaration of Conformity (DoC) for additional regulatory compliance information. To obtain product certifications and the DoC for this product, visit [ni.com/certification](https://ni.com/certification), search by model number or product line, and click the appropriate link in the Certification column.

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