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# CALIBRATION PROCEDURE

# NI PXI-5422

This document contains instructions for calibrating the NI PXI-5422 arbitrary waveform generator. This calibration procedure is intended for metrology labs. It describes specific programming steps for writing an external calibration procedure for the NI PXI-5422.

Refer to [ni.com/calibration](http://ni.com/calibration) for additional information about calibration solutions from National Instruments.

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## Software Requirements

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Calibrating the NI PXI-5422 requires installing NI-FGEN version 2.2 or later on the calibration system. You can download NI-FGEN from the National Instruments website at [ni.com/](http://ni.com/) updates. NI-FGEN supports programming the *Self-Calibration Procedures* and the *External Calibration Procedures* in the LabVIEW, LabWindows™/CVI™, and C application development environments (ADEs). When you install NI-FGEN, you need to install support only for the ADE that you intend to use.

LabVIEW support is in the `niFgen.llb` file, and all calibration VIs appear in the NI-FGEN Calibration palette. For LabWindows/CVI users, the NI-FGEN function panel (`niFgen.fp`) provides access to the available functions.

For the locations of files you may need to calibrate your device, refer to the *NI-FGEN Readme*, which is available on the NI-FGEN DVD.

Calibration functions are C function calls or LabVIEW VIs in NI-FGEN. In this document, the C function call is shown first, followed by the corresponding LabVIEW VI or NI-FGEN LabVIEW property node, in parentheses. The C function calls are valid for any compiler capable of calling a 32-bit DLL. Many of the functions use constants defined in the `niFgen.h` file. To use these constants in C, you must include `niFgen.h` in your code when you write the calibration procedure. Refer to Table 1 for file locations.

**Table 1.** Calibration File Locations

File Name and Location	Description
<code>IVI\Bin\niFgen_32.dll</code>	The NI-FGEN library, which provides the functionality for calibrating the NI PXI-5422.
<code>IVI\Lib\msc\niFgen.lib</code>	Allows you to create applications that call functions in the <code>niFgen_32.dll</code> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For Microsoft Visual C/C++, link to <code>msc\niFgen.lib</code>.</li> <li>• For LabWindows/CVI, link to the library appropriate to your current compatibility mode (<code>msc</code> for Microsoft Visual C/C++).</li> </ul>

**Table 1.** Calibration File Locations (Continued)

File Name and Location	Description
IVI\Include\niFgen.h	A header file for the accessible functions in the niFgen_32.dll. You must include this file in any C code that you write to call these functions.
<LabVIEW>\instr.lib\niFgen\niFgen.llb (LabVIEW)	Contains VIs that correspond to the functions in the niFgen_32.dll.
IVI\Drivers\niFgen\niFgen.fp (CVI)	Contains the function panels for the function in the niFgen32.dll.

The calibration process is described in the *Self-Calibration Procedures* and the *External Calibration Procedures* sections, including step-by-step instructions on calling the appropriate calibration functions.

## Documentation Requirements

Consult the following documents for information about the NI PXI-5422, NI-FGEN, and your application software. All documents are available on [ni.com](http://ni.com), and the Help files install with the software.



### *NI Signal Generators Getting Started Guide*

Contains: NI-FGEN installation, hardware installation, and hardware programming



### *NI PXI-5422 Specifications*

Contains: NI PXI-5422 specifications and calibration interval



### *NI-FGEN Readme*

Contains: Operating system and application software support in NI-FGEN



### *NI Signal Generators Help*

Contains: Detailed information about NI PXI-5422



### *LabVIEW Help*

Contains: LabVIEW programming concepts and reference information about NI-FGEN VIs and functions



### *NI-FGEN C Reference Help*

Contains: Reference information for NI-FGEN C functions and NI-FGEN C properties

## Password

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The default calibration password is NI.

## Calibration Interval

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National Instruments recommends a calibration interval of two years for the NI PXI-5422. You should adjust the recommended calibration interval based on the measurement accuracy demands of your application. Refer to the *External Calibration Options* section for more information.

## Self-Calibration Procedures

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The NI PXI-5422 can perform self-calibration, which adjusts the gain and offset of the main and direct analog paths. Self-calibration exclusively uses an onboard A/D converter (ADC) to measure the output voltage. You can implement self-calibration on the NI PXI-5422 by following procedures similar to the *Verifying the DC Gain and Offset Accuracy* and the *Adjusting the Analog Output* procedures described in this document. However, output impedance, oscillator frequency, and the calibration ADC are not adjusted during self-calibration.



**Caution** Although you can use self-calibration repeatedly, self-calibrating the NI PXI-5422 more than a few times a day may cause excessive wear on the relays over time.

You can initiate self-calibration interactively from Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX) or from the FGEN Soft Front Panel (SFP). Alternately, you can initiate self-calibration programmatically using NI-FGEN.

## MAX

To initiate self-calibration from MAX, complete the following steps:

1. Launch MAX.
2. Select **My System»Devices and Interfaces»PXI System**.
3. Select the device that you want to calibrate.
4. Initiate self-calibration in one of the following ways:
  - Click **Self-Calibrate** in the upper right corner.
  - Right-click the device name and select **Self-Calibrate** from the drop-down menu.

## FGEN Soft Front Panel

To initiate self-calibration from the FGEN SFP, complete the following steps:

1. Select the device that you want to calibrate using the Device Configuration dialog box (**Edit»Device Configuration**).
2. Open the Calibration dialog box (**Utility»Calibration**).
3. Click **Perform self-calibration**.

## NI-FGEN

To self-calibrate the NI PXI-5422 programmatically using NI-FGEN, complete the following steps:

1. Call `niFgen_init` (niFgen Initialize VI) to open an NI-FGEN session using the following parameters:
  - **resourceName**: The name of the device that you want to calibrate. You can find this name under Devices and Interfaces in MAX.
  - **IDQuery**: `VI_TRUE`
  - **resetDevice**: `VI_TRUE`
  - **vi**: A pointer to a ViSession. The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value that identifies the session created by this function. This value acts as the session handle and is passed as the first parameter to all subsequent NI-FGEN functions.
2. Call `niFgen_SelfCal` (niFgen Self Cal VI) using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
3. Call `niFgen_close` (niFgen Close VI) to close the NI-FGEN session using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`

# External Calibration Options

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External calibration involves both verification and adjustment. Verification is the process of testing the device to ensure that the output accuracy is within certain specifications. You can use verification to ensure that the adjustment process was successful or to determine if the adjustment process needs to be performed.

Adjustment is the process of measuring and compensating for device performance to improve the output accuracy. Performing an adjustment updates the calibration date, resetting the calibration interval. The device is guaranteed to meet or exceed its published specifications for the duration of the calibration interval.

This document provides two sets of test limits for most verification stages, the *calibration test limits* and the *published specifications*. The calibration test limits are more restrictive than the published specifications. If all the output errors determined during verification fall within the calibration test limits, the device is guaranteed to meet or exceed its published specifications for a full calibration interval (two years). For this reason, you must verify against the calibration test limits when performing verification after adjustment.

If all the output errors determined during verification fall within the published specifications, but not within the calibration test limits, the device meets its published specifications. However, the device may not remain within these specifications for another two years. The device will meet published specifications for the rest of the current calibration interval.

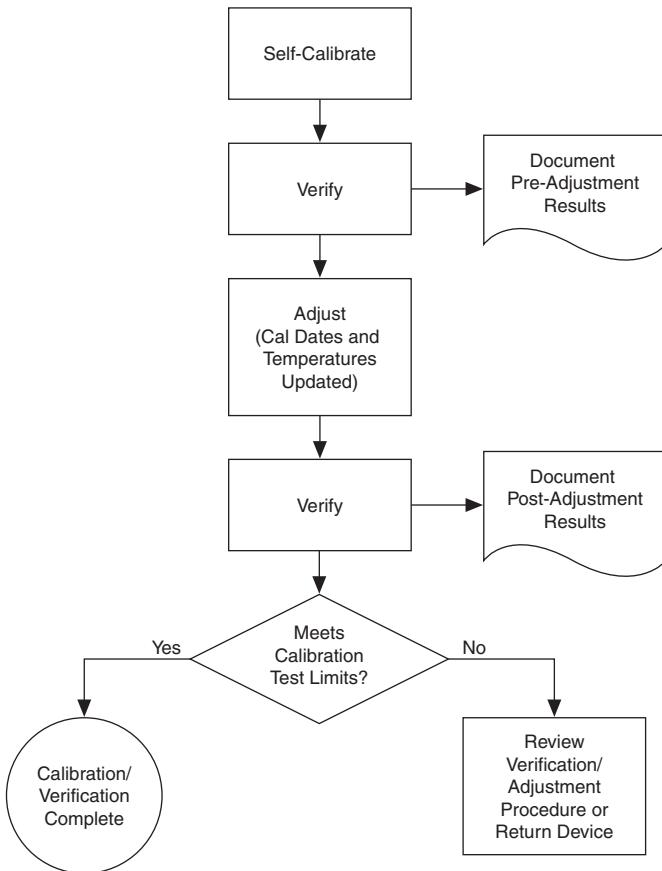
In this case, you can perform an adjustment if you want to improve the output accuracy or reset the calibration interval. If some output errors determined during verification do not fall within the published specifications, you must perform an adjustment to restore the device operation to its published specifications.

The [\*Complete Calibration\*](#) section describes the recommended calibration procedure. The [\*Optional Calibration\*](#) section describes alternate procedures that allow you to skip adjustment if the device already meets its calibration test limits or published specifications.

# Complete Calibration

Performing a complete calibration is the recommended way to guarantee that the NI PXI-5422 meets or exceeds its published specifications for a two-year calibration interval. At the end of the complete calibration procedure, you verify that the output error falls within the calibration test limits. Figure 1 shows the programming flow for complete calibration.

**Figure 1.** Complete Calibration Programming Flow



## Optional Calibration

You can choose to skip the adjustment steps of the calibration procedure if the output error is within the calibration test limits or the published specifications during the first verification. If all the output errors determined during the first verification fall within the calibration test limits, the device is guaranteed to meet or exceed its published specifications for a full calibration interval. In this case, you can update the calibration date, effectively resetting the calibration interval, without actually performing an adjustment. Refer to the [Adjusting the NI PXI-5422](#) section for more information.

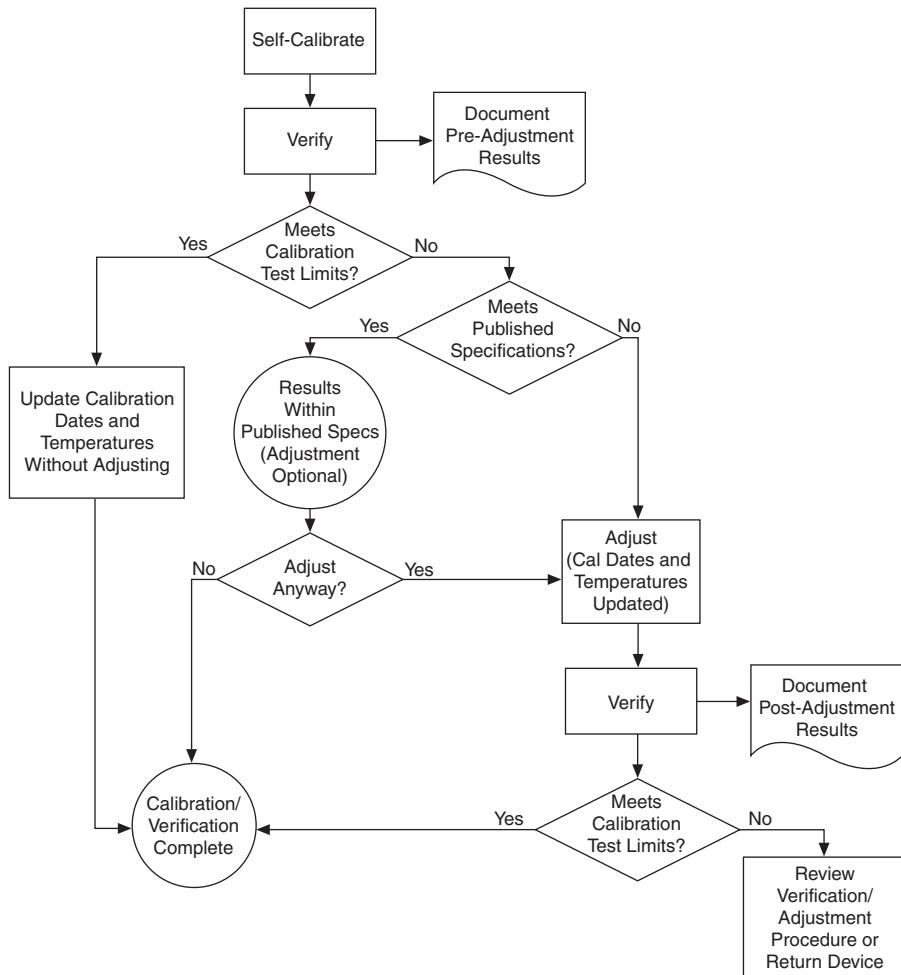
If all the output errors determined during the first verification fall within the published specifications, but not within the calibration test limits, adjustment is also optional. However, you cannot update the calibration date because the device may not necessarily operate within the published specifications for an additional two years.



**Note** Regardless of the results of the first verification, if you choose to perform an adjustment, you must verify that the output error falls within the calibration test limits at the end of the calibration procedure.

Figure 2 shows the programming flow for the optional calibration.

**Figure 2.** Optional Calibration Programming Flow



# External Calibration Requirements

This section describes the test equipment and test conditions required for calibration.

## Test Equipment

External calibration requires different equipment for each applicable specification. Refer to Table 2 for a list of equipment.

**Table 2.** Equipment Required for Calibrating the NI PXI-5422

Instrument	Applicable Specification	Minimum Specifications	Recommended Instrument
Digital multimeter (DMM)	AC accuracy, DC gain and offset	DCV accuracy: $\leq 0.05\%$  DC input impedance: $\geq 1 \text{ G}\Omega$  ACV accuracy: $\leq 0.16\%$  AC input impedance: $\geq 1 \text{ M}\Omega$  Bandwidth: $\geq 100 \text{ kHz}$  Resolution $\leq 1 \mu\text{V}$	NI PXI-4070  Agilent HP 34401A  Keithley 2000
Banana(m)-to-BNC(f) adapter		—	—
BNC(m)-to-SMB(f) cable		50 $\Omega$ , RG-223	—
Spectrum analyzer, frequency meter, or signal source analyzer	Frequency accuracy	Ability to measure 10 MHz or greater sine waves  Frequency accuracy to $\leq 500 \text{ ppb}$	NI PXI-5660  Agilent HP 8560E  Agilent HP 53131A or HP 53132A with timebase option 001, 010, or 012  Rohde & Schwarz (R&S) FSUP

**Table 2.** Equipment Required for Calibrating the NI PXI-5422 (Continued)

Instrument	Applicable Specification	Minimum Specifications	Recommended Instrument
Power meter/sensor	Frequency response (flatness)	VSWR: (50 kHz to 120 MHz) $\leq 1.11$ Relative power accuracy: $\leq 0.022$ dB	R&S NRP-Z91
Type N(f)-to-SMB plug adapter		VSWR: 1.3	Pasternak PE9316

## Test Conditions

Follow these guidelines to optimize the connections and the environment during calibration:

- Keep connections to the NI PXI-5422 short.
- Keep relative humidity below 80%.
- Maintain a temperature between 18 °C and 28 °C.
- Observe the 15 minute warm-up time.

## External Calibration Procedures

The complete external calibration procedure consists of self-calibrating, verifying the performance of the NI PXI-5422, adjusting the calibration constants, and verifying again after the adjustments. In some cases, the complete calibration procedure may not be required. Refer to the [External Calibration Options](#) section for more information.

The external calibration procedure automatically stores the calibration date to allow traceability.

## Writing Your Calibration Procedure

Before you begin to write your calibration program, review the programming flowcharts in Figures 1 and 2.

### Calibration Procedures in LabVIEW

To write calibration procedures in LabVIEW, you must use the VIs included in the `niFgen.llb` file. After installation, these VIs appear within the NI-FGEN Calibration palette.

### Calibration Procedures in LabWindows/CVI

To write calibration procedures in LabWindows/CVI, you must use the function panels included in the `niFgen.fp` file. After installation, you can locate the calibration functions under the Calibration class node.

## Calibration Procedures in C

To write calibration procedures in C, you must include the `niFgen.h` file in the code that calls the calibration functions, and you must link the `niFgen.lib` file into the build of your executable.

## Verifying NI PXI-5422 Specifications



**Note** Always self-calibrate the NI PXI-5422 before beginning a verification procedure.

This section provides instructions for verifying the NI PXI-5422 specifications. This section also includes instructions for updating the calibration cycle.

Verification determines whether the device is performing within its specifications prior to external adjustment. Verification and external adjustment together compose a complete calibration. To verify that the NI PXI-5422 still meets its specifications, you must use NI-FGEN to control the NI PXI-5422.

The steps in the verification procedures describe the code that you use to generate the appropriate signals, as well as the NI-FGEN function calls that you make to verify specifications.

You can verify the following specifications for the NI PXI-5422:

- Oscillator frequency accuracy
- DC gain and offset accuracy
- AC accuracy
- Flatness

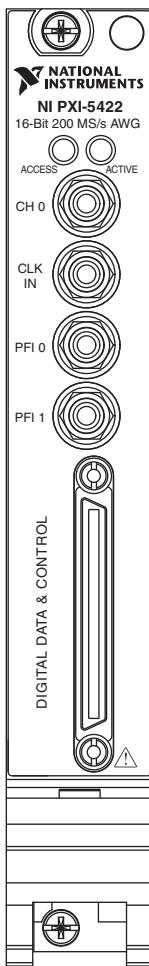
The verification procedure for each of these specifications includes setting up, programming, and cleaning up.



**Note** If any of these tests fail immediately after you perform an external adjustment, verify that you have met the required test conditions before you return the NI PXI-5422 to NI for repair.

Refer to Table 2 for information about which instrument to use for verifying each specification. Refer to Figure 3 for the names and locations of the NI PXI-5422 front panel connectors.

**Figure 3.** NI PXI-5422 Front Panel Connectors



## Verifying the Oscillator Frequency Accuracy

This test verifies the frequency accuracy of the oscillator on the NI PXI-5422. The verification involves generating a 10 MHz sine wave with the NI PXI-5422 and measuring the sine wave frequency with one of the instruments from Table 2.

To verify the frequency accuracy of the oscillator on the NI PXI-5422, complete the following steps:

1. Connect the NI PXI-5422 CH 0 front panel connector to the instrument measuring the frequency accuracy with a male BNC-to-female SMB cable.

2. Call `niFgen_init` (niFgen Initialize VI) using the following parameters:
  - **resourceName**: The name of the device that you want to verify. You can find this name under Devices and Interfaces in MAX.
  - **IDQuery**: `VI_TRUE`
  - **resetDevice**: `VI_TRUE`
  - **vi**: A pointer to a ViSession. The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value that identifies the session created by this function. This value acts as the session handle and is passed as the first parameter to all subsequent NI-FGEN functions.
3. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the sample rate (niFgen Set Sample Rate VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_SAMPLE_RATE`
  - **value**: 20000000
4. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the gain (NI-FGEN Gain property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_GAIN`
  - **value**: 1



**Note** You can adjust this value based on which measuring device you use.

5. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the offset (NI-FGEN Offset property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_OFFSET`
  - **value**: 0
6. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to set the analog filter state (NI-FGEN Analog Filter Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_FILTER_ENABLED`
  - **value**: `VI_TRUE`



**Note** You can adjust this value based on which measuring device you use.

7. Generate an array of waveform samples. The waveform should have 20 samples per cycle with a total of 500 samples. This configuration results in 25 sine wave cycles. Because you set the sample rate to 200 MS/s and are using 20 samples per cycle, the resulting waveform is a 10 MHz sine wave.



**Note** The sample values of this waveform must fall between -1.0 and 1.0.

8. Call `niFgen_CreateArbWaveform` (niFgen Create Arbitrary Waveform VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **wfmSize:** The size in samples (500) of the waveform you created in step 7.
  - **wfmData:** The array of waveform samples that you created in step 7.
  - **wfmHandle:** The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value (waveform handle) that identifies the waveform created by this function.
9. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) to initiate the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
10. Measure the frequency output of the NI PXI-5422.

A frequency error of 45 Hz for a 10 MHz signal corresponds to an error of 4.5 ppm. This limit accounts for the initial accuracy and the frequency deviation caused by temperature and aging. Refer to Table 3 for frequency ranges.

**Table 3.** Frequency Ranges

Calibration Test Limit		Published Specifications ±25 ppm	
Low	High	Low	High
9,999,955 Hz	10,000,045 Hz	9,999,750 Hz	10,000,250 Hz

11. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
12. Call `niFgen_close` (niFgen Close VI) to close the instrument driver session, to destroy the instrument driver session and all of its properties, and to release any memory resources NI-FGEN uses. Use the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`

## Verifying the DC Gain and Offset Accuracy

This test verifies the DC gain and offset accuracy of the NI PXI-5422 into a high-impedance load by generating a number of DC voltages and offsets, measuring the voltage with a DMM, and comparing the NI PXI-5422 to the error limits.

The DC gain and offset accuracy verification procedure has three subprocedures that verify the following:

- Main analog path gain
- Main analog path offset
- Direct analog path gain

### Verifying the Main Analog Path Gain

To verify the gain of the NI PXI-5422 main analog path, complete the following steps:

1. Connect the NI PXI-5422 CH 0 front panel connector to the DMM for measuring DC gain and offset accuracy.
2. Call `niFgen_init` (NI-FGEN Initialize VI) using the following parameters:
  - **resourceName**: The name of the device that you want to verify. You can find this name under Devices and Interfaces in MAX.
  - **IDQuery**: VI\_TRUE
  - **resetDevice**: VI\_TRUE
  - **vi**: A pointer to a ViSession. The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value that identifies the session created by this function. This value acts as the session handle and is passed as the first parameter to all subsequent Verifying NI-FGEN functions.
3. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to set the analog filter state (NI-FGEN Analog Filter Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ANALOG\_FILTER\_ENABLED
  - **value**: VI\_FALSE
4. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the load impedance (NI-FGEN Load Impedance property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_LOAD\_IMPEDANCE
  - **value**: 10000000000

5. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the analog path (NI-FGEN Analog Path property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_PATH`
  - **value:** `NIFGEN_VAL_MAIN_ANALOG_PATH`
6. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the output impedance (NI-FGEN Output Impedance property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_IMPEDANCE`
  - **value:** 50
7. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to enable the analog output (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_ENABLED`
  - **value:** `VI_TRUE`
8. Create an array of waveform samples for the positive full-scale DC waveform. This array should contain 500 samples with each sample having the value 1.0 (representation: double).
9. Call `niFgen_CreateArbWaveform` (niFgen Create Arbitrary Waveform VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **wfmSize:** The size in samples (500) of the waveform you created in step 8.
  - **wfmData:** The array of waveform samples that you created in step 8.
  - **wfmHandle:** The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value (waveform handle) that identifies the waveform created by this function (positive full-scale handle).
10. Create an array of waveform samples for the negative full-scale DC waveform. This array should contain 500 samples with each sample having the value -1.0 (representation: double).

11. Call `niFgen_CreateArbWaveform` (niFgen Create Arbitrary Waveform VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **wfmSize**: The size in samples (500) of the waveform that you created in step 10.
  - **wfmData**: The array of waveform samples that you created in step 10.
  - **wfmHandle**: The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value (waveform handle) that identifies the waveform created by this function (negative full-scale handle).
12. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the offset (NI-FGEN Offset property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_OFFSET`
  - **value**: 0
13. Repeat steps 14 through 24 for each of the 24 iterations listed in Table 4, changing the *Gain* value for each iteration. You can use Table 4 to record the results of these steps.

**Table 4.** Values for Verifying the Gain of the Main Analog Path

<b>Iteration</b>	<b>Gain</b>	<b>Ideal Positive Full-Scale (Volts)</b>	<b>Ideal Negative Full-Scale (Volts)</b>	<b>Measured Positive Full-Scale (Volts)</b>	<b>Measured Negative Full-Scale (Volts)</b>	<b>Error Positive Full-Scale (Volts)<sup>*</sup></b>	<b>Error Negative Full-Scale (Volts)<sup>†</sup></b>	<b>Calibration Test Limit (Volts)</b>	<b>Published Specification (Volts)</b>
1	12.000000	12.000000	-12.000000					±0.019700	±0.048500
2	10.000000	10.000000	-10.000000					±0.016500	±0.040500
3	7.000000	7.000000	-7.000000					±0.011700	±0.028500
4	5.000000	5.000000	-5.000000					±0.008500	±0.020500
5	3.500000	3.500000	-3.500000					±0.006100	±0.014500
6	2.500000	2.500000	-2.500000					±0.004500	±0.010500
7	2.000000	2.000000	-2.000000					±0.003700	±0.008500
8	1.650000	1.650000	-1.650000					±0.003140	±0.007100
9	1.250000	1.250000	-1.250000					±0.002500	±0.005500
10	0.850000	0.850000	-0.850000					±0.001860	±0.003900
11	0.600000	0.600000	-0.600000					±0.001460	±0.002900
12	0.415000	0.415000	-0.415000					±0.001164	±0.002160
13	0.300000	0.300000	-0.300000					±0.000980	±0.001700
14	0.205000	0.205000	-0.205000					±0.000828	±0.001320
15	0.150000	0.150000	-0.150000					±0.000740	±0.001100
16	0.105000	0.105000	-0.105000					±0.000668	±0.000920

**Table 4.** Values for Verifying the Gain of the Main Analog Path (Continued)

Iteration	Gain	Ideal Positive Full-Scale (Volts)	Ideal Negative Full-Scale (Volts)	Measured Positive Full-Scale (Volts)	Measured Negative Full-Scale (Volts)	Error Positive Full-Scale (Volts) <sup>*</sup>	Error Negative Full-Scale (Volts) <sup>†</sup>	Calibration Test Limit (Volts)	Published Specification (Volts)
17	0.075000	0.075000	-0.075000					$\pm 0.000620$	$\pm 0.000800$
18	0.055000	0.055000	-0.055000					$\pm 0.000588$	$\pm 0.000720$
19	0.037500	0.037500	-0.037500					$\pm 0.000560$	$\pm 0.000650$
20	0.026000	0.026000	-0.026000					$\pm 0.000542$	$\pm 0.000604$
21	0.018500	0.018500	-0.018500					$\pm 0.000530$	$\pm 0.000574$
22	0.013000	0.013000	-0.013000					$\pm 0.000521$	$\pm 0.000552$
23	0.009000	0.009000	-0.009000					$\pm 0.000514$	$\pm 0.000536$
24	0.006500	0.006500	-0.006500					$\pm 0.000510$	$\pm 0.000526$

<sup>\*</sup> Error Positive Full-Scale Value = (Measured Positive Full-Scale Value) - (Ideal Positive Full-Scale Value)  
<sup>†</sup> Error Negative Full-Scale Value = (Measured Negative Full-Scale Value) - (Ideal Negative Full-Scale Value)

14. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the gain (NI-FGEN Gain property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_GAIN`
  - **value:** The *Gain* value listed in Table 4 for the current iteration.
15. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to choose the positive full-scale DC waveform (NI-FGEN Arbitrary Waveform Handle property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_WAVEFORM_HANDLE`
  - **value:** The **wfmHandle** from step 9 (positive full-scale handle).
16. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) to initiate the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
17. Measure the DC voltage output of the NI PXI-5422. Record this value in the *Measured Positive Full-Scale* value column of Table 4.
18. Subtract the *Ideal Positive Full-Scale* value from the *Measured Positive Full-Scale* value and record the result under *Error Positive Full-Scale*. The *Error Positive Full-Scale* value should be less than or equal to the limit you are using.
19. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
20. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to choose the negative full-scale DC waveform (NI-FGEN Arbitrary Waveform Handle property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_WAVEFORM_HANDLE`
  - **value:** The **wfmHandle** from step 11 (negative full-scale handle).
21. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) to initiate the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
22. Measure the DC voltage out of the NI PXI-5422. Record this value in the *Measured Negative Full-Scale* column of Table 4.
23. Subtract the *Ideal Negative Full-Scale* value from the *Measured Negative Full-Scale* value and record the result under *Error Negative Full-Scale*. The *Error Negative Full-Scale* value should be less than or equal to the limit you are using.
24. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`

25. Return to step 14 until iterations are completed.
26. Verify that both the *Error Positive Full-Scale* value and the *Error Negative Full-Scale* value are less than or equal to the limit you are using. If either of the errors is greater than the *Calibration Test Limit* or the *Published Specification*, perform an external adjustment.

## Verifying the Main Analog Path Offset

To verify the offset of the NI PXI-5422 main analog path, complete the following steps:

1. Create an array of waveform samples for the mid-scale DC waveform (0 VDC). This array should contain 500 samples with each sample having the value 0 . 0 (representation: double).
2. Call `niFgen_CreateArbWaveform` (niFgen Create Arbitrary Waveform VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **wfmSize**: The size in samples (500) of the waveform that you created in step 1.
  - **wfmData**: The array of waveform samples that you created in step 1.
  - **wfmHandle**: The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value (waveform handle) that identifies the waveform created by this function (mid-scale handle).
3. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to choose the mid-scale handle DC waveform (NI-FGEN Arbitrary Waveform Handle property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_WAVEFORM_HANDLE`
  - **value**: The **wfmHandle** from step 2 (mid-scale handle).
4. Repeat steps 5 through 15 for each of the 24 iterations listed in Table 5, changing the *Ideal Positive Offset*, *Ideal Negative Offset*, and *Gain* values for each iteration. You can use Table 5 to record the results of these steps.

**Table 5.** Values for Verifying the Offset of the Main Analog Path

<b>Iteration</b>	<b>Gain</b>	<b>Ideal Positive Offset (Volts)</b>	<b>Ideal Negative Offset (Volts)</b>	<b>Measured Positive Offset (Volts)</b>	<b>Measured Negative Offset (Volts)</b>	<b>Error Positive Offset (Volts)*</b>	<b>Error Negative Offset (Volts)†</b>	<b>Calibration Test Limit (Volts)</b>	<b>Published Specification (Volts)</b>
1	12.000000	6.000000	-6.000000					±0.021500	±0.051500
2	10.000000	5.000000	-5.000000					±0.018000	±0.043000
3	7.000000	3.500000	-3.500000					±0.012750	±0.030250
4	5.000000	2.500000	-2.500000					±0.009250	±0.021750
5	3.500000	1.750000	-1.750000					±0.006625	±0.015375
6	2.500000	1.250000	-1.250000					±0.004875	±0.011125
7	2.000000	1.000000	-1.000000					±0.004000	±0.009000
8	1.650000	0.825000	-0.825000					±0.003388	±0.007513
9	1.250000	0.625000	-0.625000					±0.002688	±0.005813
10	0.850000	0.425000	-0.425000					±0.001988	±0.004113
11	0.600000	0.300000	-0.300000					±0.001550	±0.003050
12	0.415000	0.207500	-0.207500					±0.001226	±0.002264
13	0.300000	0.150000	-0.150000					±0.001025	±0.001775
14	0.205000	0.102500	-0.102500					±0.000859	±0.001371
15	0.150000	0.075000	-0.075000					±0.000763	±0.001138

**Table 5.** Values for Verifying the Offset of the Main Analog Path (Continued)

Iteration	Gain	Ideal Positive Offset (Volts)	Ideal Negative Offset (Volts)	Measured Positive Offset (Volts)	Measured Negative Offset (Volts)	Error Positive Offset (Volts) <sup>*</sup>	Error Negative Offset (Volts) <sup>†</sup>	Calibration Test Limit (Volts)	Published Specification (Volts)
16	0.105000	0.052500	-0.052500					$\pm 0.000684$	$\pm 0.000946$
17	0.075000	0.037500	-0.037500					$\pm 0.000631$	$\pm 0.000819$
18	0.055000	0.027500	-0.027500					$\pm 0.000596$	$\pm 0.000734$
19	0.037500	0.018750	-0.018750					$\pm 0.000566$	$\pm 0.000659$
20	0.026000	0.013000	-0.013000					$\pm 0.000546$	$\pm 0.000611$
21	0.018500	0.009250	-0.009250					$\pm 0.000532$	$\pm 0.000579$
22	0.013000	0.006500	-0.006500					$\pm 0.000523$	$\pm 0.000555$
23	0.009000	0.004500	-0.004500					$\pm 0.000516$	$\pm 0.000538$
24	0.006500	0.003250	-0.003250					$\pm 0.000511$	$\pm 0.000528$

\* Error Positive Offset Value = (Measured Positive Offset Value) - (Ideal Positive Offset Value)

† Error Negative Offset Value = (Measured Negative Offset Value) - (Ideal Negative Offset Value)

5. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the offset (NI-FGEN Offset property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_OFFSET`
  - **value:** The *Ideal Positive Offset* value listed in Table 5 for the current iteration.
6. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the gain (NI-FGEN Gain property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_GAIN`
  - **value:** The *Gain* value listed in Table 5 for the current iteration.
7. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) to initiate the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
8. Measure the positive DC voltage out of the NI PXI-5422. Record the positive DC voltage out measurement in the *Measured Positive Offset* column of Table 5.
9. Subtract the *Ideal Positive Offset* from the *Measured Positive Offset* and record the result under *Error Positive Offset*. The *Error Positive Offset* should be less than or equal to the limit you are using.
10. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
11. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the offset (NI-FGEN Offset property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_OFFSET`
  - **value:** The *Ideal Negative Offset* value listed in Table 5 for the current iteration.
12. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) to initiate the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
13. Measure the negative DC voltage out of the NI PXI-5422. Record negative DC voltage out measurement in the *Measured Negative Offset* column of Table 5.
14. Subtract the *Ideal Negative Offset* from the *Measured Negative Offset* and record the result under *Error Negative Offset*. The *Error Negative Offset* should be less than or equal to the limit you are using.
15. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`

16. Return to step 5 until all iterations are completed.
17. Verify that all errors are less than or equal to the limit you are using. If any of the errors are greater than the *Calibration Test Limit* or the *Published Specification*, perform an external adjustment.

## Verifying the Gain of the Direct Analog Path

To verify the gain of the NI PXI-5422 direct analog path, complete the following steps:



**Note** The offset is not adjustable for the direct analog path.

1. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the offset (NI-FGEN Offset property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_OFFSET`
  - **value**: 0
2. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the analog path (NI-FGEN Analog Path property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_PATH`
  - **value**: `NIFGEN_VAL_DIRECT_ANALOG_PATH`
3. Repeat steps 4 through 15 for each of the seven iterations listed in Table 6, changing the *Gain* value for each iteration. You can use Table 6 to record the results of these steps.

**Table 6.** Values for Verifying the Gain of the Direct Analog Path

<b>Iteration</b>	<b>Gain</b>	<b>Ideal Positive Full-Scale (Volts)</b>	<b>Ideal Negative Full-Scale (Volts)</b>	<b>Measured Positive Full-Scale (Volts)</b>	<b>Measured Negative Full-Scale (Volts)</b>	<b>Offset (Volts)<sup>*</sup></b>	<b>Offset Limit (Volts)</b>	<b>Error Positive Full-Scale (Volts)<sup>†</sup></b>	<b>Error Negative Full-Scale (Volts)<sup>‡</sup></b>	<b>Calibration Test Limit (Volts)</b>	<b>Published Specification (Volts)</b>
1	1.000000	1.000000	-1.000000				±0.025000			±0.001600	±0.004000
2	0.950000	0.950000	-0.950000				±0.025000			±0.001520	±0.003800
3	0.900000	0.900000	-0.900000				±0.025000			±0.001440	±0.003600
4	0.850000	0.850000	-0.850000				±0.025000			±0.001360	±0.003400
5	0.800000	0.800000	-0.800000				±0.025000			±0.001280	±0.003200
6	0.750000	0.750000	-0.750000				±0.025000			±0.001200	±0.003000
7	0.710000	0.710000	-0.710000				±0.025000			±0.001136	±0.002840

<sup>\*</sup>Offset = ((Measured Positive Full-Scale Value) + (Measured Negative Full-Scale Value))/2  
<sup>†</sup>Error Positive Full-Scale Value = (Measured Positive Full-Scale Value) - Offset - (Ideal Positive Full-Scale Value)  
<sup>‡</sup>Error Negative Full-Scale Value = (Measured Negative Full-Scale Value) - Offset - (Ideal Negative Full-Scale Value)

4. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the gain (NI-FGEN Gain property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_GAIN`
  - **value**: The *Gain* value listed in Table 6 for the current iteration.
5. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to choose the positive full-scale DC waveform (NI-FGEN Arbitrary Waveform Handle property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_WAVEFORM_HANDLE`
  - **value**: The **wfmHandle** from step 9 of the *Verifying the Main Analog Path Gain* section (positive full-scale handle).
6. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) to initiate the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
7. Measure the positive DC voltage out of the NI PXI-5422. Record the positive DC voltage out measurement in the *Measured Positive Full-Scale Value* column of Table 6.
8. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
9. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to choose the negative full-scale DC waveform (NI-FGEN Arbitrary Waveform Handle property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_WAVEFORM_HANDLE`
  - **value**: The **wfmHandle** from step 11 of the *Verifying the Main Analog Path Gain* section (negative full-scale handle).
10. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) to initiate the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
11. Measure the negative DC voltage out of the NI PXI-5422. Record the negative DC voltage out measurement in the *Measured Negative Full-Scale Value* column of Table 6.
12. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the waveform generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
13. Average the *Measured Positive Full-Scale Value* and *Measured Negative Full-Scale Value* to calculate the *Offset*.
14. Verify that the *Offset* is less than or equal to the *Offset Limit* listed in Table 6 for the current iteration.

15. Subtract the *Offset* and the *Ideal Full-Scale Value* from the *Measured Full-Scale Value* to get the *Error Full-Scale Value* for both the positive and negative settings, respectively.
16. Return to step 4 until all iterations are completed.
17. Verify that these errors are less than or equal to the limits you are using. If any of the errors are greater than the *Calibration Test Limit* or the *Published Specification*, perform an external adjustment.
18. Call `niFgen_close` (niFgen Close VI) to close the instrument driver session, destroy the instrument driver session and all of its properties, and release any memory resources that NI-FGEN uses. Use the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`

## Verifying the AC Voltage Amplitude Absolute Accuracy

This test verifies the AC voltage amplitude absolute accuracy of the NI 5422 using a DMM. To verify the AC accuracy of the NI 5422, complete the following steps:

1. Connect the NI 5422 CH 0 front panel connector to the DMM. Connect positive terminal to the center pin of the NI 5422 SMB connector, and connect the negative terminal to the shield.
2. Call `niFgen_init` (niFgen Initialize VI) using the following parameters:
  - **resourceName:** The name of the device that you want to verify. You can find this name under Devices and Interfaces in MAX.
  - **IDQuery:** VI\_TRUE
  - **resetDevice:** VI\_TRUE
  - **vi:** A pointer to a ViSession. The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value that identifies the session created by this function. This value acts as the session handle and is passed as the first parameter to all subsequent NI-FGEN functions.
3. Call `niFgen_ConfigureChannels` (niFgen Configure Channels VI) using the following parameters:
  - **Channels:** "0"
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
4. Call `niFgen_ConfigureSampleRate` (niFgen Set Sample Rate VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **Sample Rate:** 100 Ms/s (100000000)
5. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the load impedance (NI-FGEN Load Impedance property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** NIFGEN\_ATTR\_LOAD\_IMPEDANCE
  - **value:** 1000000

6. Call `niFgen_ConfigureOutputMode` (niFgen Configure Output Mode VI) using the following parameters:
  - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **Output Mode**: `NIFGEN_VAL_OUTPUT_ARB` (Arbitrary Waveform)
7. Create an array of waveform samples. The waveform should have one sine wave cycle with an amplitude of 1 and a length of 2,000 samples.
8. Call `niFgen_CreateWaveformF64` (niFgen Create Waveform (DBL) VI) using the following parameters:
  - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **wfmSize**: The size in samples (2000) of the waveform.
  - **wfmData**: The array of waveform samples (double representation).
  - **wfmHandle**: A pointer to a waveform. The variable passed by reference through this parameter acts as a handle to the waveform and can 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.
9. **(LabVIEW only)** You must call the niFgen Util Create Waveform Data VI to generate a single cycle sine wave with 2,000 samples and an amplitude of 1 for step 7. Wire the output of the niFgen Util Create Waveform Data VI to the **Waveform Data Array** input of the niFgen Create Waveform (DBL) VI in step 8.
10. Configure the DMM using the following settings:
  - Function: AC voltage
  - Range: Refer to Table 7
  - Input impedance:  $1\text{ M}\Omega$
  - Average readings: 4
  - Digits: 6.5



**Note** These values assume you are using an NI 4070 DMM. For other DMMs, use the range closest to the values listed in step 10. The input impedance should be equal to or greater than the values indicated in Table 2, *Equipment Required for Calibrating the NI PXI-5422*.

11. Repeat steps 12 through 18 for each of the 24 iterations listed in Table 7, changing the *Gain* and *DMM Range (VRMS)* values for each iteration.

**Table 7.** Values for Verifying the AC Voltage Amplitude Absolute Accuracy

Iteration	Gain	DMM Range (VRMS)	Expected Amplitude (VRMS)	Test Limit (-VRMS)	Test Limit (+VRMS)
1	12.000000	50	8.485281	-0.085560	0.170413
2	10.000000	50	7.071068	-0.0714178	0.142128

**Table 7.** Values for Verifying the AC Voltage Amplitude Absolute Accuracy (Continued)

Iteration	Gain	DMM Range (VRMS)	Expected Amplitude (VRMS)	Test Limit (-VRMS)	Test Limit (+VRMS)
3	7.000000	5	4.949747	-0.050205	0.099702
4	5.000000	5	3.535534	-0.036062	0.071418
5	3.500000	5	2.474874	-0.025456	0.050205
6	2.500000	5	1.767767	-0.018385	0.036062
7	2.000000	5	1.414214	-0.014849	0.028991
8	1.650000	5	1.166726	-0.012374	0.024042
9	1.250000	5	0.883883	-0.009546	0.018385
10	0.850000	5	0.601041	-0.006718	0.012728
11	0.600000	0.5	0.424264	-0.004950	0.009192
12	0.415000	0.5	0.293449	-0.003642	0.006576
13	0.300000	0.5	0.212132	-0.002828	0.004950
14	0.205000	0.5	0.144957	-0.0021587	0.003606
15	0.150000	0.5	0.106066	-0.001768	0.002828
16	0.105000	0.5	0.074246	-0.001450	0.002192
17	0.075000	0.5	0.053033	-0.001237	0.001768
18	0.055000	0.5	0.038809	-0.001096	0.001485
19	0.037500	0.5	0.026517	-0.003359	0.006010
20	0.026000	0.5	0.018385	-0.0008910	0.001075
21	0.018500	0.5	0.013081	-0.000838	0.000969
22	0.013000	0.5	0.009192	-0.000799	0.000891
23	0.009000	0.5	0.006364	-0.000771	0.000834
24	0.006500	0.5	0.004596	-0.000753	0.000799

12. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` (NI-FGEN Gain property) to set the gain using the following parameters:
- **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_GAIN`
  - **value**: The *Gain* value listed in Table 7 for the current iteration.

13. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) using the following parameter:
    - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  14. Wait 5 seconds for the output of the NI 5422 to settle.
  15. Measure and record the output voltage amplitude with the DMM. This value is the measured amplitude, *measuredVRMS*.
  16. Calculate the peak amplitude error using the following equation:
$$\text{expectedVRMS} - \text{measuredVRMS} = \text{error}$$
17. Compare the output error to the test limits in Table 7 for the current iteration.
  18. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the current generation using the following parameter:
    - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  19. Return to step 12 until all iterations are completed.
  20. If any of the errors are greater than the test limits, perform an external adjustment.
  21. Call `niFgen_close` (niFgen Close VI) to close the instrument driver session, destroy the instrument driver session and all of its properties, and release any memory resources that NI-FGEN uses. Use the following parameter:
    - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`

## Verifying Frequency Response (Flatness)

This test verifies the frequency response (flatness) of the NI 5422 using a power meter. The flatness verification has two subprocedures that verify the following:

- Main analog path flatness: low-gain amplifier and high-gain amplifier
- Direct analog path flatness

## Verifying the Main (Low and High) Analog Path Flatness

To verify the main analog path flatness of the NI 5422, complete the following steps:

1. Connect the NI 5422 CH 0 front panel connector to the power meter using the required adapter.
2. Call `niFgen_init` (niFgen Initialize VI) using the following parameters:
  - **resourceName**: The name of the device that you want to verify. You can find this name under Devices and Interfaces in MAX.
  - **IDQuery**: VI\_TRUE
  - **resetDevice**: VI\_TRUE
  - `vi`: A pointer to a ViSession. The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value that identifies the session created by this function. This value acts as the session handle and is passed as the first parameter to all subsequent NI-FGEN functions.

3. Call `niFgenSetAttributeViBoolean` (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) to disable the NI 5422 output. Use the following parameters:
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_ENABLED`
  - **value:** `VI_FALSE`
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
4. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
5. Null the power meter according to the power meter documentation.
6. Configure the power meter using the following settings:
  - Average: 16
  - Measure: Watts
7. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the offset (NI-FGEN Offset property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_OFFSET`
  - **value:** 0
8. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the main analog path (NI-FGEN Analog Path property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_PATH`
  - **value:** `NIFGEN_VAL_MAIN_ANALOG_PATH`
9. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the gain (NI-FGEN Gain property; 1 will auto-select low gain path, and 3 will auto-select high gain path) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_GAIN`
  - **value:** 1
10. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` (niFgen property node: **Output Attributes»Analog Filter Enabled**) to set the analog filter state using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_FILTER_ENABLED`
  - **value:** `VI_TRUE`

11. Call `niFgenSetAttributeViBoolean` (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) to enable the NI 5422 output. Use the following parameters:
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_ENABLED`
  - **value:** `VI_TRUE`
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
12. Call `niFgen_ConfigureSampleRate` (niFgen Set Sample Rate VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **Sample Rate:** 200 MS/s (200000000)
13. Repeat steps 14 through 23 for each iteration in Table 8, changing the *Number of Samples* and *Number of Cycles* for each iteration.

**Table 8.** NI 5422 Setup for Main Analog Path Flatness Verification

Iteration	Frequency	Number of Samples	Number of Cycles	Published Specification	
				Low-Gain Amplifier	High-Gain Amplifier
1	50 kHz	4,000	1	REF	REF
2	1 MHz	2,000	10	-0.5 dB to +0.3 dB	-0.6 dB to +0.2 dB
3	5 MHz	2,000	50	-0.7 dB to +0.7 dB	-1.1 dB to +0.2 dB
4	10 MHz	2,000	100	-0.7 dB to +0.7 dB	-1.1 dB to +0.2 dB
5	20 MHz	2,000	200	-0.7 dB to +0.7 dB	-1.1 dB to +0.2 dB
6	30 MHz	2,000	300	-0.7 dB to +0.7 dB	-1.1 dB to +0.2 dB
7	40 MHz	2,000	400	-0.7 dB to +0.7 dB	-1.1 dB to +0.2 dB
8	50 MHz	2,000	500	-3.4 dB to +0.7 dB	—
9	60 MHz	2,000	600	-3.4 dB to +0.7 dB	—
10	70 MHz	2,000	700	-3.4 dB to +0.7 dB	—
11	80 MHz	2,000	800	-3.4 dB to +0.7 dB	—

14. Create an array of waveform samples. Each waveform should have samples and cycles that correspond to the current iteration in Table 8.
15. (LabVIEW only) You must call the Sine Pattern VI to create an array of waveform samples with an **amplitude** of 1, and **samples** and **cycles** that correspond to the current iteration in Table 8 for step 14. Wire the **Sinusoidal Pattern** output of the Sine Pattern VI to the **Waveform Data Array** input of the niFgen Create Waveform (DBL) VI in step 16.

16. Call `niFgen_CreateWaveformF64` (niFgen Create Waveform (DBL) VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **wfmSize**: The size in samples of the waveform that you created in step 14.
  - **wfmArray**: The array of waveform samples (double representation).
  - **wfmHandle**: A pointer to a waveform. The variable passed by reference through this parameter acts as a handle to the waveform and can 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.
17. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` (NI-FGEN Arbitrary Waveform Handle property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_WAVEFORM_HANDLE`
  - **value**: The **wfmHandle** from step 16.
18. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
19. Allow the power meter to stabilize for 10 seconds.
20. Measure and record the power ( $W_f$ ) of the positive output in Watts. Use the recorded power at 50 kHz as reference power ( $W_{ref}$ ).
21. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the current generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
22. For iterations 2-16 in Table 8, using the recorded power values, calculate the deviation from the reference (50 kHz) power using the following equation:

$$\text{Flatness(dB)} = 10\log\left(\frac{W_f}{W_{ref}}\right)$$

23. Compare *Flatness (dB)* to the *Published Specification* for the current iteration in Table 8.
24. Return to step 14 until all iterations are completed.
25. To verify the flatness for the High-Gain Amplifier Path, repeat the process from step 1, but in step 9 set the **Gain** to 3.
26. Call `niFgen_close` (niFgen Close VI) to close the instrument driver session, destroy the instrument driver session and all of its properties, and release any memory resources that NI-FGEN uses. Use the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`

## Verifying the Direct Analog Path Flatness

To verify the direct analog path flatness of the NI 5422, complete the following steps:

1. Connect the NI 5422 CH 0 front panel connector to the power meter using the required adapter.
2. Call `niFgen_init` (niFgen Initialize VI) using the following parameters:
  - **resourceName**: The name of the device that you want to verify. You can find this name under Devices and Interfaces in MAX.
  - **IDQuery**: VI\_TRUE
  - **resetDevice**: VI\_TRUE
  - **vi**: A pointer to a ViSession. The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value that identifies the session created by this function. This value acts as the session handle and is passed as the first parameter to all subsequent NI-FGEN functions.
3. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) to disable the NI 5422 output. Use the following parameters:
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_ENABLED
  - **value**: VI\_FALSE
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
4. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
5. Null the power meter according to the power meter documentation.
6. Configure the power meter using the following settings:
  - Average: 16
  - Measure: Watts
7. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the offset (NI-FGEN Offset property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ARB\_OFFSET
  - **value**: 0
8. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the analog path (NI-FGEN Analog Path property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_ANALOG\_PATH
  - **value**: NIFGEN\_VAL\_DIRECT\_ANALOG\_PATH

9. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the gain (NI-FGEN Gain property) using the following parameters:
  - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_Init`
  - `channelName`: "0"
  - `attributeID`: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_GAIN`
  - `value`: 0.5
10. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` (niFgen property node: **Output Attributes» Analog Filter Enabled**) to set the analog filter state using the following parameters:
  - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - `channelName`: "0"
  - `attributeID`: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_FILTER_ENABLED`
  - `value`: `VI_TRUE`
11. Call `niFgenSetAttributeViBoolean` (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) to enable the NI 5421/5441 output. Use the following parameters:
  - `channelName`: "0"
  - `attributeID`: `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_ENABLED`
  - `value`: `VI_TRUE`
  - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
12. Call `niFgen_ConfigureSampleRate` (niFgen Set Sample Rate VI) using the following parameters:
  - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **Sample Rate**: 200 MS/s (200000000)
13. Repeat steps 14 through 22 for each iteration in Table 9, changing the *Number of Samples* and *Number of Cycles* for each iteration.

**Table 9.** NI 5422 Setup for Direct Analog Path Flatness Verification

Iteration	Frequency	Number of Samples	Number of Cycles	Published Specification
1	50 kHz	4,000	1	REF
2	1 MHz	2,000	10	-0.3 dB to +0.4 dB
3	5 MHz	2,000	50	-0.3 dB to +0.4 dB
4	10 MHz	2,000	100	-0.3 dB to +0.4 dB
5	20 MHz	2,000	200	-1.2 dB to +0.4 dB
6	30 MHz	2,000	300	-1.2 dB to +0.4 dB
7	40 MHz	2,000	400	-1.2 dB to +0.4 dB
8	50 MHz	2,000	500	-3.4 dB to +0.4 dB

**Table 9.** NI 5422 Setup for Direct Analog Path Flatness Verification (Continued)

Iteration	Frequency	Number of Samples	Number of Cycles	Published Specification
9	60 MHz	2,000	600	-3.4 dB to +0.4 dB
10	70 MHz	2,000	700	-3.4 dB to +0.4 dB
11	80 MHz	2,000	800	-3.4 dB to +0.4 dB

14. Create an array of waveform samples. Each waveform should have samples and cycles that correspond to the current iteration in Table 9.
15. (LabVIEW only) You must call the Sine Pattern VI to create an array of waveform samples with an **amplitude** of 1, and **samples** and **cycles** that correspond to the current iteration in Table 9 for step 14. Wire the **Sinusoidal Pattern** output of the Sine Pattern VI to the **Waveform Data Array** input of the niFgen Create Waveform (DBL) VI in step 16.
16. Call `niFgen_CreateWaveformF64` (niFgen Create Waveform (DBL) VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **wfmSize**: The size in samples of the waveform that you created in step 14.
  - **wfmArray**: The array of waveform samples (double representation).
  - **wfmHandle**: A pointer to a waveform. The variable passed by reference through this parameter acts as a handle to the waveform and can 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.
17. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` (NI-FGEN Arbitrary Waveform Handle property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_WAVEFORM_HANDLE`
  - **value**: The **wfmHandle** from step 16.
18. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
19. Allow the power meter to stabilize for 10 seconds.
20. Measure and record the power ( $W_f$ ) of the positive output in Watts. Use the recorded power at 50 kHz as reference power ( $W_{ref}$ ).
21. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the current generation using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`

22. For iterations 2-12 in Table 9, using the recorded power values, calculate the deviation from the reference (50 kHz) power using the following equation:

$$\text{Flatness(dB)} = 10\log\left(\frac{W_f}{W_{ref}}\right)$$

23. Compare *Flatness (dB)* calculated in step 22 to the *Published Specification* for the current iteration in Table 9.
24. Return to step 14 until all iterations are completed.
25. Call `niFgen_close` (niFgen Close VI) to close the instrument driver session, destroy the instrument driver session and all of its properties, and release any memory resources that NI-FGEN uses. Use the following parameter:
- **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`

## Adjusting the NI PXI-5422

If the NI PXI-5422 successfully passes all verification within the calibration test limits, adjustment is recommended, but not required, to guarantee its published specifications for the next two years. If the NI PXI-5422 was not within the calibration test limits for each verification procedure, perform the adjustment procedure to improve the accuracy of the NI PXI-5422. Refer to the *External Calibration Options* section to determine which procedures to perform.

An adjustment is required only once every two years. The adjustment procedure automatically updates the calibration date and temperature in the EEPROM of the NI PXI-5422.

If the NI PXI-5422 passed verification within the calibration test limits and you do not want to do an adjustment, you can update the calibration date and onboard calibration temperature without making any adjustments by completing the following steps:

1. Call `niFgen_InitExtCal` (niFgen Init Ext Cal VI) to open an NI-FGEN external calibration session using the following parameters:
  - **resourceName:** The name of the device you want to calibrate. This name can be found under Devices and Interfaces in MAX.
  - **password:** The password required to open an external calibration session. If this password has not been changed since manufacturing, the password is NI.
  - **vi:** A pointer to a ViSession. The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value that identifies the external calibration session created by this function. This value acts as the session handle and is passed as the first parameter to all subsequent NI-FGEN functions.
2. Call `niFgen_CloseExtCal` (niFgen Close Ext Cal VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **action:** `NIFGEN_VAL_EXT_CAL_COMMIT`

The external calibration procedure adjusts the analog output, the oscillator frequency, and the calibration ADC. Analog output adjustment characterizes the DC gains and the offsets of the analog path to ensure the analog output voltage accuracy. Adjusting the oscillator frequency adjusts the onboard oscillator to ensure frequency accuracy. Calibration ADC adjustment

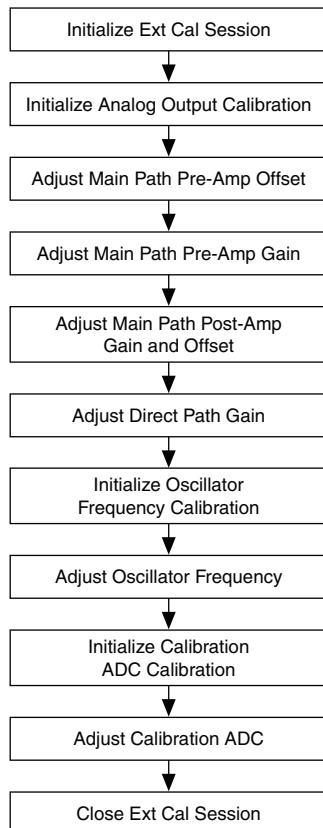
characterizes the onboard ADC gain and offset so that self-calibration results in an accurately calibrated device.

You cannot perform an external calibration using a standard NI-FGEN session. You must create an external calibration session using `niFgen_InitExtCal` (`niFgen Init Ext Cal VI`). An external calibration session allows you to use NI-FGEN functions and attributes that are specifically for external calibration, while still allowing you to use all the standard NI-FGEN functions and attributes with the external calibration session.

Along with the standard NI-FGEN attributes, the external calibration session uses a set of calibration constants that are determined during the calibration procedure and stored in the device onboard memory when the session is closed. NI-FGEN uses these calibration constants during a standard NI-FGEN session to ensure that the device operates within its specifications.

You must close an external calibration session by using `niFgen_CloseExtCal` (`niFgen Close Ext Cal VI`), as shown in Figure 4.

**Figure 4.** NI PXI-5422 External Calibration Procedure



## Initializing the External Calibration Session

Call `niFgen_InitExtCal` (NI-FGEN Init Ext Cal VI) to open an NI-FGEN external calibration session using the following parameters:

- **resourceName**: The name of the device you want to calibrate. This name can be found under Devices and Interfaces in MAX.
- **password**: The password required to open an external calibration session. If this password has not been changed since manufacturing, the password is NI.
- **vi**: A pointer to a ViSession. The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value that identifies the external calibration session created by this function. This value acts as the session handle and is passed as the first parameter to all subsequent NI-FGEN functions.

## Adjusting the Analog Output

The analog output adjustment procedure has several sub-procedures that adjust the following:

- Main analog path pre-amplifier offset
- Main analog path pre-amplifier gain
- Main analog path post-amplifier gain and offset
- Direct analog path gain

In each of these sub-procedures, you put the device in several configurations and take several output measurements. You then pass these measurements to NI-FGEN, which determines the calibration constants for the device.

## Initializing Analog Output Calibration

1. Call `niFgen_InitializeAnalogOutputCalibration` (NI-FGEN Initialize Analog Output Calibration VI) using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
2. Call `niFgen_WriteBinary16AnalogStaticValue` (NI-FGEN Write Binary 16 Analog Static Value VI) to set the main DAC value using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **value**: 0
3. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the analog path value (NI-FGEN Analog Path property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_PATH`
  - **value**: `NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_LOW_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH`

4. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
  - **value**: 2000
5. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the offset DAC value (NI-FGEN Offset DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_OFFSET_DAC_VALUE`
  - **value**: 32767
6. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to set the analog filter state (NI-FGEN Analog Filter Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_FILTER_ENABLED`
  - **value**: `VI_FALSE`
7. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the pre-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Pre-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_PRE_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - **value**: 0
8. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the post-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Post-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_POST_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - **value**: 0
9. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the output impedance (NI-FGEN Output Impedance property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_IMPEDANCE`
  - **value**: 50

- Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to enable the analog output (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - channelName:** "0"
  - attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_ENABLED`
  - value:** `VI_TRUE`
- Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
  - vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`

## Adjusting the Main Analog Path Pre-amplifier Offset

- Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the analog path value (NI-FGEN Analog Path property) using the following parameters:
  - vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - channelName:** "0"
  - attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_PATH`
  - value:** `NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_LOW_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH`
- Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the post-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Post-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - channelName:** "0"
  - attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_POST_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - value:** 0
- Call `niFgen_WriteBinary16AnalogStaticValue` (niFgen Write Binary 16 Analog Static Value VI) to set the main DAC value using the following parameters:
  - vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - channelName:** "0"
  - value:** 0
- Repeat steps 5 through 8 for each of the 10 iterations listed in Table 10, changing the *Analog Filter Enable*, *Pre-amplifier Attenuation*, and *Current Configuration* values for each iteration.

**Table 10.** Attributes and Values for Main Analog Path Pre-amplifier Offset

Iteration	Analog Filter Enable	Pre-amplifier Attenuation	Current Configuration
1	<code>VI_FALSE</code>	0	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_OFF_0DB</code>
2	<code>VI_FALSE</code>	3	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_OFF_3DB</code>
3	<code>VI_FALSE</code>	6	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_OFF_6DB</code>

**Table 10.** Attributes and Values for Main Analog Path Pre-amplifier Offset (Continued)

Iteration	Analog Filter Enable	Pre-amplifier Attenuation	Current Configuration
4	VI_FALSE	9	NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_OFF_9DB
5	VI_FALSE	12	NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_OFF_12DB
6	VI_TRUE	0	NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_ON_0DB
7	VI_TRUE	3	NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_ON_3DB
8	VI_TRUE	6	NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_ON_6DB
9	VI_TRUE	9	NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_ON_9DB
10	VI_TRUE	12	NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_ON_12DB

5. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to set the analog filter state (NI-FGEN Analog Filter Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_FILTER_ENABLED`
  - **value:** The *Analog Filter Enable* value for the current iteration from Table 10.
6. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the pre-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Pre-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_PRE_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - **value:** The *Pre-amplifier Attenuation* value for the current iteration from Table 10.
7. Call the following functions and take voltage measurements at the NI PXI-5422 CH 0 front panel connector into a high-impedance load:
  - a. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
    - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName:** "0"
    - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
    - **value:** 2000
  - b. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the offset DAC value (NI-FGEN Offset DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
    - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName:** "0"
    - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OFFSET_DAC_VALUE`
    - **value:** 50000

- c. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - d. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
  - e. Use the DMM to measure the voltage output by the device. This measurement is measurement 0, which is used in step 8.
  - f. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName**: "0"
    - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
    - **value**: 1000
  - g. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - h. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
  - i. Use the DMM to measure the voltage output by the device. This measurement is measurement 1, which is used in step 8.
  - j. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the offset DAC value (NI-FGEN Offset DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName**: "0"
    - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_OFFSET_DAC_VALUE`
    - **value**: 15000
  - k. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - l. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
  - m. Use the DMM to measure the voltage output of the device. This measurement is measurement 2, which is used in step 8.
8. Call `niFgen_CalAdjustMainPathPreAmpOffset` (niFgen Cal Adjust Main Path Pre Amp Offset VI) using the following parameters:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName**: "0"
    - **configuration**: The *Current Configuration* value for the current iteration from Table 10.
    - **gainDACValues**: An array containing two elements—the two values (2000, 1000) that you set as the gain DAC in the order that you measured them.

- **offsetDACValues**: An array containing two elements—the two values (50000, 15000) that you set as the offset DAC in the order that you measured them.
- **measuredOutputs**: An array containing three elements—the three output voltages (measurement 0, measurement 1, measurement 2) that you measured in the order that you measured them.

## Adjusting the Main Analog Path Pre-amplifier Gain

1. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the analog path value (NI-FGEN Analog Path property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_PATH`
  - **value**: `NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_LOW_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH`
2. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the post-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Post-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_POST_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - **value**: 0
3. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the offset DAC value (NI-FGEN Offset DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_OFFSET_DAC_VALUE`
  - **value**: 32000
4. Repeat steps 5 through 8 for each of the 10 iterations listed in Table 11, changing the *Analog Filter Enable*, *Pre-amplifier Attenuation*, and *Current Configuration* values for each iteration.

**Table 11.** Attributes and Values for Main Analog Path Pre-amplifier Gain

Iteration	Analog Filter Enable	Pre-amplifier Attenuation	Current Configuration
1	VI_FALSE	0	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_OFF_0DB</code>
2	VI_FALSE	3	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_OFF_3DB</code>
3	VI_FALSE	6	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_OFF_6DB</code>
4	VI_FALSE	9	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_OFF_9DB</code>
5	VI_FALSE	12	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_OFF_12DB</code>
6	VI_TRUE	0	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_ON_0DB</code>

**Table 11.** Attributes and Values for Main Analog Path Pre-amplifier Gain (Continued)

Iteration	Analog Filter Enable	Pre-amplifier Attenuation	Current Configuration
7	VI_TRUE	3	NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_ON_3DB
8	VI_TRUE	6	NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_ON_6DB
9	VI_TRUE	9	NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_ON_9DB
10	VI_TRUE	12	NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_FILTER_ON_12DB

5. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to set the analog filter state (NI-FGEN Analog Filter Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - `channelName`: "0"
  - `attributeID`: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_FILTER_ENABLED`
  - `value`: The *Analog Filter Enable* value for the current iteration from Table 11.
6. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the pre-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Pre-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - `channelName`: "0"
  - `attributeID`: `NIFGEN_ATTR_PRE_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - `value`: The *Pre-amplifier Attenuation* value for the current iteration from Table 11.
7. Call the following functions to take voltage measurements at the NI PXI-5422 CH 0 front panel connector into a high-impedance load:
  - a. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
    - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - `channelName`: "0"
    - `attributeID`: `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
    - `value`: 1500
  - b. Call `niFgen_WriteBinary16AnalogStaticValue` (niFgen Write Binary 16 Analog Static Value VI) to set the main DAC value using the following parameters:
    - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - `channelName`: "0"
    - `value`: 25233
  - c. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
    - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - d. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.

- e. Use the DMM to measure the voltage output by the device. This measurement is measurement 0, which is used in step 8.
  - f. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName**: "0"
    - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
    - **value**: 2000
  - g. Call `niFgen_WriteBinary16AnalogStaticValue` (niFgen Write Binary 16 Analog Static Value VI) to set the main DAC value using the following parameters:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName**: "0"
    - **value**: -29232
  - h. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - i. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
  - j. Use the DMM to measure the voltage output by the device. This measurement is measurement 1, which is used in step 8.
8. Call `niFgen_CalAdjustMainPathPreAmpGain` (niFgen Cal Adjust Main Path Pre Amp Gain VI) using the following parameters:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName**: "0"
    - **configuration**: The *Current Configuration* value for the current iteration from Table 11.
    - **mainDACValues**: An array containing two elements—the two values (25233, -29232) that you set for the main DAC in the order that you measured them.
    - **gainDACValues**: An array containing two elements—the two values (1500, 2000) that you set for the gain DAC in the order that you measured them.
    - **offsetDACValues**: An array containing one element—the value (32000) that you set for the offset DAC.
    - **measuredOutputs**: An array containing two elements—the two output voltages (measurement 0, measurement 1) that you measured in the order that you measured them.

## Adjusting the Main Analog Path Post-amplifier Gain and Offset

1. Call `niFgen_WriteBinary16AnalogStaticValue` (niFgen Write Binary 16 Analog Static Value VI) to set the main DAC value using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **value**: 0

2. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to set the analog filter state (NI-FGEN Analog Filter Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - `channelName`: "0"
  - `attributeID`: `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_FILTER_ENABLED`
  - `value`: `VI_FALSE`
3. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the pre-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Pre-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - `channelName`: "0"
  - `attributeID`: `NIFGEN_ATTR_PRE_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - `value`: 0
4. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
  - `vi`: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - `channelName`: "0"
  - `attributeID`: `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
  - `value`: 2000
5. Repeat steps 6 through 9 for each of the eight iterations listed in Table 12, changing the *Analog Path*, *Post-amplifier Attenuation*, and *Current Configuration* values for each iteration.

**Table 12.** Attributes and Values for the Main Analog Path Post-amplifier Gain and Offset

Iteration	Analog Path	Post-Amp Attenuation	Current Configuration
1	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_LOW_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH</code>	0	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_LOW_GAIN_0DB</code>
2	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_LOW_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH</code>	12	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_LOW_GAIN_12DB</code>
3	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_LOW_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH</code>	24	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_LOW_GAIN_24DB</code>
4	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_LOW_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH</code>	36	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_LOW_GAIN_36DB</code>
5	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_HIGH_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH</code>	0	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_HIGH_GAIN_0DB</code>
6	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_HIGH_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH</code>	12	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_HIGH_GAIN_12DB</code>
7	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_HIGH_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH</code>	24	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_HIGH_GAIN_24DB</code>
8	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_HIGH_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH</code>	36	<code>NIFGEN_VAL_CAL_CONFIG_MAIN_PATH_HIGH_GAIN_36DB</code>

6. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the analog path value (NI-FGEN Analog Path property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_PATH`
  - **value:** The *Analog Path* value for the current iteration from Table 12.
7. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the post-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Post-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_POST_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - **value:** The *Post-Amplifier Attenuation* value for the current iteration from Table 12.
8. Take the following voltage measurements at the NI PXI-5422 CH 0 front panel connector into a high-impedance load:
  - a. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the offset DAC value (NI-FGEN Offset DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
    - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName:** "0"
    - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OFFSET_DAC_VALUE`
    - **value:** 50000
  - b. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
    - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - c. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
  - d. Use the DMM to measure the voltage output by the device. This measurement is measurement 0, which is used in step 9.
  - e. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the offset DAC value (NI-FGEN Offset DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
    - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName:** "0"
    - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OFFSET_DAC_VALUE`
    - **value:** 15000
  - f. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
    - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - g. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
  - h. Use the DMM to measure the voltage output by the device. This measurement is measurement 1, which is used in step 9.

- Call `niFgen_CalAdjustMainPathPostAmpGainAndOffset` (NI-FGEN Cal Adjust Main Path Post Amp Gain And Offset VI) using the following parameters:
  - vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - channelName:** "0"
  - configuration:** The *Current Configuration* value for the current iteration from Table 12.
  - mainDACValues:** An array containing two elements—the values (0, 0) that you set on the main DAC.
  - gainDACValues:** An array containing one element—the value (2000) that you set on the gain DAC.
  - offsetDACValues:** An array containing two elements—the two values (50000, 15000) that you set on the offset DAC in order.
  - measuredOutputs:** An array containing two elements—the two output voltages (measurement 0, measurement 1) that you measured in order.

## Adjusting the Direct Analog Path Gain

- Call `niFgen_WriteBinary16AnalogStaticValue` (NI-FGEN Write Binary 16 Analog Static Value VI) to set the main DAC value using the following parameters:
  - vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - channelName:** "0"
  - value:** 0
- Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
  - vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - channelName:** "0"
  - attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
  - value:** 2000
- Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the offset DAC value (NI-FGEN Offset DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
  - vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - channelName:** "0"
  - attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OFFSET_DAC_VALUE`
  - value:** 32767
- Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to set the analog filter state (NI-FGEN Analog Filter Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - channelName:** "0"
  - attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_FILTER_ENABLED`
  - value:** `VI_FALSE`

5. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the pre-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Pre-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_PRE_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - **value:** 0
6. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the post-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Post-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_POST_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - **value:** 0
7. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the output impedance (NI-FGEN Output Impedance property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_IMPEDANCE`
  - **value:** 50
8. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to enable the analog output (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_ENABLED`
  - **value:** `VI_TRUE`
9. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the analog path value (NI-FGEN Analog Path property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_PATH`
  - **value:** `NIFGEN_VAL_DIRECT_ANALOG_PATH`
10. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
11. Take the following voltage measurements at the NI PXI-5422 CH 0 front panel connector into a high-impedance load:
  - a. Call `niFgen_WriteBinary16AnalogStaticValue` (niFgen Write Binary 16 Analog Static Value VI) to set the main DAC value using the following parameters:
    - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`

- **channelName:** "0"
  - **value:** 32767
- b. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
- **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
  - **value:** 1800
- c. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
- **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
- d. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
- e. Use the DMM to measure the voltage output by the device. This measurement is measurement 0, which is used in step 12.
- f. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
- **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
  - **value:** 2600
- g. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
- **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
- h. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
- i. Use the DMM to measure the voltage output by the device. This measurement is measurement 1, which is used in step 12.
- j. Call `niFgen_WriteBinary16AnalogStaticValue` (niFgen Write Binary 16 Analog Static Value VI) to set the main DAC value using the following parameters:
- **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **value:** -32767
- k. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
- **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
  - **value:** 1500

- l. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - m. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
  - n. Use the DMM to measure the voltage output by the device. This measurement is measurement 2, which is used in step 12.
  - o. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName**: "0"
    - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
    - **value**: 2300
  - p. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - q. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
  - r. Use the DMM to measure the voltage output by the device. This measurement is measurement 3, which is used in step 12.
12. Call `niFgen_CalAdjustDirectPathGain` (niFgen Cal Adjust Direct Path Gain VI) using the following parameters:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **channelName**: "0"
    - **mainDACValues**: An array containing two elements—the two values (32767, -32767) that you set on the main DAC in order.
    - **gainDACValues**: An array containing four elements—the four values (1800, 2600, 1500, 2300) that you set on the gain DAC in order.
    - **measuredOutputs**: An array containing four elements—the four output voltages (measurement 0, measurement 1, measurement 2, measurement 3) that you measured in order.

## Adjusting the Oscillator Frequency

Adjusting the oscillator frequency involves generating a sine wave at a desired frequency and then iteratively measuring the frequency, passing the measured value to NI-FGEN so that the oscillator can be adjusted, and then remeasuring the resulting frequency. This process is repeated until the difference between the desired and measured frequency falls within the desired tolerance, which is 4.5 ppm. This adjustment ensures the frequency accuracy of the onboard oscillator.

1. Call `niFgen_InitializeOscillatorFrequencyCalibration` (niFgen Initialize Oscillator Frequency Calibration VI) using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`

2. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the sample rate (NI-FGEN Set Sample Rate VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_SAMPLE_RATE`
  - **value:** 20000000
3. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the gain (NI-FGEN Gain property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_GAIN`
  - **value:** 1



**Note** You can adjust this value based on which measuring device you use.

4. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the offset (NI-FGEN Offset property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ARB_OFFSET`
  - **value:** 0
5. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to set the analog filter state (NI-FGEN Analog Filter Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_FILTER_ENABLED`
  - **value:** `VI_TRUE`
6. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the output impedance (NI-FGEN Output Impedance property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_IMPEDANCE`
  - **value:** 50
7. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to enable the analog output (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"

- **attributeID**: NI\_FGEN\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_ENABLED
  - **value**: VI\_TRUE
8. Generate an array of waveform samples.
- Each waveform should have 20 samples per cycle, with a total of 500 samples and 25 sine wave cycles. Because you set the sample rate to 200 MS/s and because there are 20 samples per cycle, the resulting waveform is a 10 MHz sine wave. The sample values of this waveform must fall between -1.0 and 1.0.
9. Call `niFgen_CreateArbWaveform` (niFgen Create Arbitrary Waveform VI) using the following parameters:
- **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **wfmSize**: The size in samples (500) of the waveform you created in step 8.
  - **wfmData**: The array of waveform samples that you created in step 8.
  - **wfmHandle**: The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the value (waveform handle) that identifies the waveform created by this function.
10. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to choose the sine waveform (NI-FGEN Arbitrary Waveform Handle property) using the following parameters:
- **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_init`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: NI\_FGEN\_ATTR\_ARB\_WAVEFORM\_HANDLE
  - **value**: The **wfmHandle** from step 9 (sine waveform handle).
11. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) to initiate the waveform generation using the following parameter:
- **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
12. Measure the frequency of the generated waveform. This value is the *Measured Frequency*, which is used in step 13.
13. Repeat steps 13a through 13d for as long as the difference between the *Measured Frequency* and the desired frequency (10 MHz) is greater than the tolerance (4.5 ppm). The *Measured Frequency* should converge on the desired frequency. If the *Measured Frequency* does not converge on the desired frequency within 16 iterations, a problem may exist with your measurement device or the NI PXI-5422.
- a. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the waveform generation using the following parameter:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - b. Call `niFgen_CalAdjustOscillatorFrequency` (niFgen Cal Adjust Oscillator Frequency VI) using the following parameters:
    - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
    - **desiredFrequencyInHz**: The desired frequency (10000000) of the generated sinusoid in Hz.
    - **measuredFrequencyInHz**: The measured frequency of the generated sinusoid in Hz.

- c. Call `niFgen_InitiateGeneration` (niFgen Initiate Generation VI) to initiate the waveform generation using the following parameter:
    - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - d. Measure the frequency of the generated waveform. This value is the *Measured Frequency*.
14. Call `niFgen_AbortGeneration` (niFgen Abort Generation VI) to abort the waveform generation using the following parameter:
- **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`

## Adjusting the Calibration ADC

The NI PXI-5422 has an onboard calibration ADC that is used during self-calibration. Adjusting the calibration ADC involves characterizing the gain and offset associated with this ADC so that performing self-calibration results in an accurately calibrated device.

1. Call `niFgen_InitializeCalADCCalibration` (niFgen Initialize Cal ADC Calibration VI) using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
2. Call `niFgen_WriteBinary16AnalogStaticValue` (niFgen Write Binary 16 Analog Static Value VI) to set the main DAC value using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **value:** 0
3. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the analog path value (NI-FGEN Analog Path property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_PATH`
  - **value:** `NIFGEN_VAL_FIXED_LOW_GAIN_ANALOG_PATH`
4. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the gain DAC value (NI-FGEN Gain DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_GAIN_DAC_VALUE`
  - **value:** 1700
5. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the offset DAC value (NI-FGEN Offset DAC Value property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OFFSET_DAC_VALUE`
  - **value:** 32767

6. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to set the analog filter state (NI-FGEN Analog Filter Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_ANALOG_FILTER_ENABLED`
  - **value:** `VI_FALSE`
7. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the pre-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Pre-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_PRE_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - **value:** 0
8. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the post-amplifier attenuation (NI-FGEN Post-Amplifier Attenuation property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_POST_AMPLIFIER_ATTENUATION`
  - **value:** 0
9. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViReal64` to set the output impedance (NI-FGEN Output Impedance property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_IMPEDANCE`
  - **value:** 50
10. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to enable the analog output (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_ENABLED`
  - **value:** `VI_TRUE`
11. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
12. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
13. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the calibration ADC input (NI-FGEN Cal ADC Input property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "" (empty string)

- **attributeID**: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_CAL\_ADC\_INPUT
  - **value**: NIFGEN\_VAL\_ANALOG\_OUTPUT
14. Call `niFgen_WriteBinary16AnalogStaticValue` (niFgen Write Binary 16 Analog Static Value VI) to set the main DAC value using the following parameters:
- **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **value**: 27232
15. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to disable the analog output (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) using the following parameters:
- **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_ENABLED
  - **value**: VI\_FALSE
16. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
- **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
17. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
18. Call `niFgen_ReadCalADC` (niFgen Read CAL ADC VI) to measure the analog output voltage with the onboard calibration ADC using the following parameters:
- **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **numberOfReadsToAverage**: 3
  - **returnCalibratedValue**: VI\_FALSE
  - **calADCValue**: A ViReal64 variable. The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the voltage measured by the onboard ADC. This value is cal\_ADC measurement 0, which is used in step 32.
19. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to enable the analog output (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) using the following parameters:
- **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: NIFGEN\_ATTR\_OUTPUT\_ENABLED
  - **value**: VI\_TRUE
20. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
- **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
21. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
22. Use the DMM to measure the NI PXI-5422 voltage output directly into the DMM into a high-impedance load. This measurement is external measurement 0, which is used in step 32.

23. Call `niFgen_WriteBinary16AnalogStaticValue` (niFgen Write Binary 16 Analog Static Value VI) to set the main DAC value using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **value**: 10232
24. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to disable the analog output (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_ENABLED`
  - **value**: `VI_FALSE`
25. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
26. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
27. Call `niFgen_ReadCalADC` (niFgen Read CAL ADC VI) to measure the analog output voltage with the onboard calibration ADC using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **numberOfReadsToAverage**: 3
  - **returnCalibratedValue**: `VI_FALSE`
  - **calADCValue**: A `ViReal64` variable. The variable passed by reference through this parameter receives the voltage measured by the onboard calibration ADC. This value is `cal_ADC_measurement_1`, which is used in step 32.
28. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to enable the analog output (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName**: "0"
  - **attributeID**: `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_ENABLED`
  - **value**: `VI_TRUE`
29. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
  - **vi**: The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
30. Wait 500 ms for the output to settle.
31. Use the DMM to measure the NI PXI-5422 voltage output directly into the DMM (into a high-impedance load). This measurement be `external_measurement_1`, which is used in step 32.

32. Call `niFgen_CalAdjustCalADC` (niFgen Cal Adjust Cal ADC VI) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **voltagesMeasuredExternally:** An array containing two elements—the two voltages (external measurement 0, external measurement 1) that you measured with the DMM in the order that you measured them.
  - **voltagesMeasuredWithCalADC:** An array containing two elements—the two voltages (cal ADC measurement 0, cal ADC measurement 1) that you measured with the onboard calibration ADC in the order that you measured them.
33. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViBoolean` to disable the analog output (NI-FGEN Output Enabled property) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "0"
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_OUTPUT_ENABLED`
  - **value:** `VI_FALSE`
34. Call `niFgen_SetAttributeViInt32` to set the calibration ADC input (NI-FGEN **Cal ADC Input property**) using the following parameters:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
  - **channelName:** "" (empty string)
  - **attributeID:** `NIFGEN_ATTR_CAL_ADC_INPUT`
  - **value:** `NIFGEN_VAL_GROUND`
35. Call `niFgen_Commit` (niFgen Commit VI) to commit the attribute values to the device using the following parameter:
  - **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`

## Closing the External Adjustment Session

When you have completed all the adjustment stages, you must close the external adjustment session to store the new calibration constants in the onboard EEPROM.

Call `niFgen_CloseExtCal` (niFgen Close Ext Cal VI) using the following parameters:

- **vi:** The session handle returned from `niFgen_InitExtCal`
- **action:**
  - If the external adjustment procedure completed without any errors, use `NIFGEN_VAL_EXT_CAL_COMMIT`. This function stores the new calibration constants, updated calibration dates, updated calibration temperatures in the onboard EEPROM.
  - If any errors occurred during the external adjustment procedure or if you want to abort the operation, use `NIFGEN_VAL_EXT_CAL_ABORT`. This function discards the new calibration constants and does not change any of the calibration data stored in the onboard EEPROM.

# Calibration Utilities

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NI-FGEN supports several calibration utilities that allow you to retrieve information about adjustments performed on the NI PXI-5422, restore an external calibration, change the external calibration password, and store small amounts of information in the onboard EEPROM. You can retrieve some data using MAX or the FGEN SFP; however, you can retrieve all the data using NI-FGEN.

## MAX

To retrieve data using MAX, complete the following steps:

1. Launch MAX.
2. Select the device from which you want to retrieve information from **My System»Devices and Interfaces»PXI System**.
3. Select the **Calibration Tab** on the lower right corner.

You should see information about the last dates and temperature for both external and self-calibration.

## FGEN SFP

To retrieve data using the FGEN SFP, complete the following steps:

1. Launch the FGEN SFP.
2. Select the device from which you want to retrieve information using the Device Configuration dialog box (**Edit»Device Configuration**).
3. Open the Calibration dialog box (**Utility»Calibration**).

You should see information about the last dates of both external and self-calibration.

## NI-FGEN

NI-FGEN provides a full complement of calibration utility functions and VIs. Refer to the *NI Signal Generators Help* for the complete function reference, including the following utility functions:

- `niFgen_RestoreLastExtCalConstants`
- `niFgen_GetSelfCalSupported`
- `niFgen_GetSelfCalLastDateAndTime`
- `niFgen_GetExtCalLastDateAndTime`
- `niFgen_GetSelfCalLastTemp`
- `niFgen_GetExtCalLastTemp`
- `niFgen_GetExtCalRecommendedInterval`
- `niFgen_ChangeExtCalPassword`
- `niFgen_SetCalUserDefinedInfo`
- `niFgen_GetCalUserDefinedInfo`
- `niFgen_GetCalUserDefinedInfoMaxSize`

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