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#### **USER MANUAL**

# NI PXIe-7846R

R Series Reconfigurable I/O Module (AI, AO, DIO) for PXI Express, 8 AI, 8 AO, 48 DIO, 500 kS/s AI, Kintex-7 160T FPGA

This document provides compliance, pinout, connectivity, mounting, and power information for the NI PXIe-7846R.

## Hardware Overview

The following high-level block diagram represents the NI PXIe-7846R.

OSC Memory ADC CONNECTOR 0 +5 V Overvoltage Reference Protection AO (x8) Overvoltage Protection >XIe Connector Data/ Kintex-7 FPGA NI ASIC Overvoltage Address DIO (x16) Protection Control DIO DIO (x32 CONNECTOR 1 (DIO) Overvoltage Protection Device Temperature NI PXIe-7846R

Figure 1. NI PXIe-7846R Block Diagram



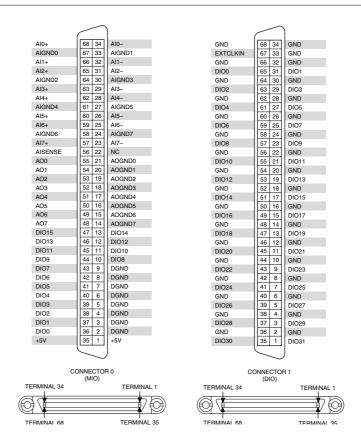


Table 1. NI PXIe-7846R Signal Descriptions

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Signal	Description			
AI+	Positive analog input signal connection			
AI-	Negative analog input signal connection			
AISENSE	Reference connection for NRSE measurements			
AIGND	Ground reference for the analog input signal			
AO	Analog output signal connection			
AOGND	Ground reference for the analog output signal			

**Table 1.** NI PXIe-7846R Signal Descriptions (Continued)

Signal	Description		
DIO	Digital input/output signal connection		
DGND	Ground reference for the digital signal		
EXTCLKIN	External clock input source that can be used for source synchronous acquisitions. The provided clock source must be stable and glitch-free.		
GND	Ground connection		
Supply (+5 Vout)	5 V power output connection for external devices		
NC	No connection		

The NI PXIe-7846R is protected from overvoltage and overcurrent conditions.



**Note** Refer to the device specifications, available at *ni.com/manuals* for more information.

## Connectivity Options

Use the following connection accessories and cables to access the signals on the I/O connectors.

Table 2. Connection Accessories and Cables

Connector Type	Accessory	Description	NI Part Number
DIO	NI SCB-68 HSDIO	Shielded 68-Pin Connector Block for R Series DIO and HSDIO Products	782914-01
	NI SHC68-C68-RDIO2	Shielded R Series High Speed Digital Cable (1 m)	156166-01
		Shielded R Series High Speed Digital Cable (2 m)	156166-02
MIO	NI SCB-68A	Noise Rejecting, Shielded I/O Connector Block	782536-01
	NI SHC68-68-RMIO	RMIO Shielded Cable, 68 pin D-Type to 68 pin VHDCI (1 m)	189588-01
		RMIO Shielded Cable, 68 pin D-Type to 68 pin VHDCI (2 m)	189588-02

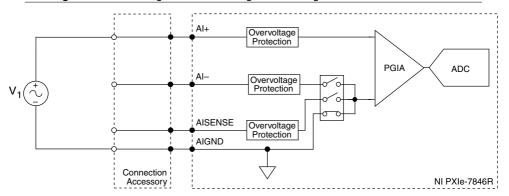
## **Analog Input**

The NI PXIe-7846R provides connections for eight AI channels. Each channel has an AI+ pin, AI- pin, and AIGND pin to which you can connect both single-ended or differential voltage signals. Use the AISENSE pin to connect non-referenced single-ended signals.

#### Connecting Single-Ended Voltage Signals

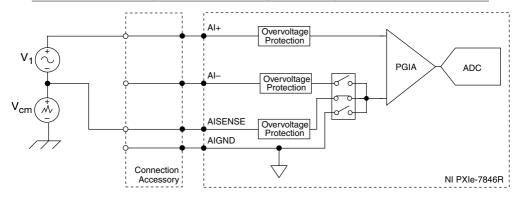
To connect referenced single-ended voltage signals to the NI PXIe-7846R, you must connect the voltage ground signal to AI GND in order to keep the common-mode voltage in the specified range.

Figure 2. Connecting Referenced Single-Ended Signals to the NI PXIe-7846R



To connect non-referenced single-ended voltage signals to the NI PXIe-7846R, you must connect the voltage ground signal to AI SENSE in order to keep the common-mode voltage in the specified range.

Figure 3. Connecting Non-Referenced Single-Ended Signals to the NI PXIe-7846R



#### Connecting Differential Voltage Signals

Accessory

You can connect grounded or floating differential signal sources to the NI PXIe-7846R. Connect the positive voltage signal to the AI+ and the negative voltage signal to AI-. To connect grounded differential signals to the NI PXIe-7846R, you must also connect the signal reference to AI GND.

AI+ Overvoltage Protection **PGIA** ADC AI-Overvoltage Protection **AISENSE** Overvoltage Protection **AIGND** Connection

Figure 4. Connecting Grounded Differential Signals to the NI PXIe-7846R

To connect floating differential signals to the NI PXIe-7846R, you must connect the negative and positive signals to AI GND through 1 M $\Omega$  resistors to keep the voltage within the common-mode voltage range. If the voltage source is outside the common-mode voltage range, the NI PXIe-7846R does not read data accurately.

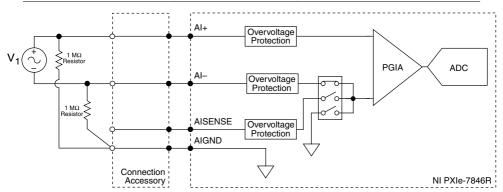


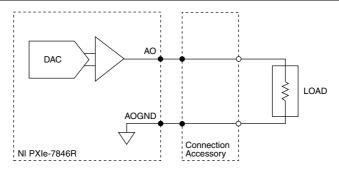
Figure 5. Connecting Floating Differential Signals to the NI PXIe-7846R

## **Analog Output**

The NI PXIe-7846R provides connections for eight analog output channels. Each channel has an AO pin and AOGND pin to which you can connect a load.

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Figure 6. Connecting a Load



## Digital I/O

The NI PXIe-7846R provides connections for 48 digital input/output (DIO) channels. Connector 0 contains 16 low-speed channels that can run up to 10 MHz signal frequencies and Connector 1 contains 32 high-speed DIO channels that can run up to 80 MHz signal frequencies. Each connector has selectable logic levels that you can configure as 1.2 V, 1.5 V, 1.8 V, 2.5 V, or 3.3 V. You can configure each channel as input or output.

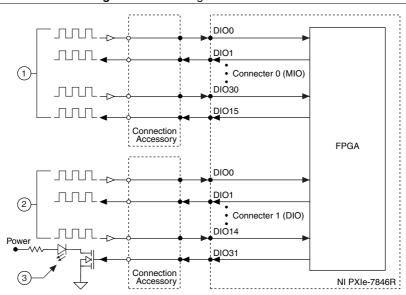


Figure 7. Connecting to the DIO Channels

- 1. Low-speed signal frequencies up to 10 MHz with logic levels configured as 1.2 V, 1.5 V, 1.8 V, 2.5 V, or 3.3 V.
- High-speed signal frequencies up to 80 MHz with logic levels configured as 1.2 V, 1.5 V, 1.8 V, 2.5 V, or 3.3 V.
- 3. LED

The DIO channels connect to the FPGA through buffers, which have overvoltage and undervoltage protection as well as over current protection. Refer to the device specifications on *ni.com/manuals* for more information about the maximum voltage and current.

When the system powers on, the DIO channels are set as input low with pull-down resistors. To set another power-on state, you can configure the NI PXIe-7846R to load a VI when the system powers on. The VI can then set the DIO lines to any power-on state.

All the high-speed DIO channels on Connector 1 are routed with a 50  $\Omega$  characteristic trace impedance. Route all external circuitry with a similar impedance to ensure best signal quality. NI recommends performing signal integrity measurements to test the affect of signal routing with the cable and connection accessory for your application.

## Field Wiring Considerations

Environmental noise can seriously affect the measurement accuracy of the device if you do not take proper care when running signal wire between signal sources and the device. The following recommendations mainly apply to AI signal routing to the device, as well as signal routing in general.

Take the following precautions to minimize noise pickup and maximize measurement accuracy:

- Use differential AI connections to reject common-mode noise.
- Use individually shielded, twisted-pair wires to connect AI signals to the device. With this type of wire, the signal attached to the positive and negative inputs are twisted together and then covered with a shield. You then connect this shield only at one point to the signal source ground. This kind of connection is required for signals traveling through areas with large magnetic fields or high electromagnetic interference.
- Route signals to the device carefully. Keep cabling away from noise sources, such as video monitors and analog signals.

Use the following recommendations for all signal connections to the NI PXIe-7846R:

- Separate NI PXIe-7846R signal lines from high-current or high-voltage lines. These lines can induce currents in or voltages on the NI PXIe-7846R signal lines if they run in parallel paths at a close distance. To reduce the magnetic coupling between lines, separate them by a reasonable distance if they run in parallel or run the lines at right angles to each other.
- Do not run signal lines through conduits that also contain power lines.
- Protect signal lines from magnetic fields caused by electric motors, welding equipment, breakers, or transformers by running them through special metal conduits.

### +5 V Power Source

Use the +5 V terminals on the I/O connector supply +5 V referenced to DGND to power external circuitry.



**Caution** Never connect the +5 V power terminals to analog or digital ground or any other voltage source on the NI PXIe-7846R or any other device. Doing so can damage the device and the computer. National Instruments is not liable for damage resulting from such a connection.

The power rating is 4.75 to 5.1 VDC at 0.5 A.

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