Integrated Suite of 12 Instruments for Hands-On, Multidiscipline Education

NI ELVIS II/II+ NEW!

- Design and prototyping platform for measurement and instrumentation, circuits, controls, telecommunications, and embedded/MCU experiments
- Complete integration with Multisim for circuits and electronics
- Completely open and customizable in LabVIEW
- Express VIs for point-and-click configuration in LabVIEW and LabVIEW SignalExpress

Platform Features

- Open architecture for third-party
 plug-in boards
- Hi-Speed USB plug-and-play connectivity
 1.25 MS/s oscilloscope with 100 MS/s
- option on NI ELVIS II+
- 5½-digit isolated digital multimeter
- ±15 and +5 V power supply
- Manual control function generator and variable power supply
- Circuit protection with resettable fuse

Integrated Suite

of 12 Virtual Instruments

- Oscilloscope
- Function generator (manual control)
- Digital multimeter (DMM)
- Arbitrary waveform generator
- Bode analyzer
- 2-wire current voltage analyzer
- · 3-wire current voltage analyzer
- Dynamic signal analyzer (DSA)
- Impedance analyzer
- Digital reader
- Digital writer
- Variable power supply (manual control)

Recommended Software

- LabVIEW
- NI Circuit Design Suite
- Driver Software (included)
- NI-ELVISmx
- LabVIEW SignalExpress



Overview

The NI Educational Laboratory Virtual Instrumentation Suite (NI ELVIS) is a hands-on design and prototyping platform that integrates 12 of the most commonly used instruments – including the oscilloscope, DMM, function generator, and Bode analyzer – into a compact form factor ideal for the hardware lab or classroom. A 100 MS/s oscilloscope option is available on the NI ELVIS II+.

Based on NI LabVIEW graphical system design software, NI ELVIS, with USB plug-and-play capabilities, offers the flexibility of virtual instrumentation and allows for quick and easy measurement acquisition and display. This hardware platform, used from first-year classes to advanced senior classes, helps educators teach a variety of concepts, including measurement and instrumentation, analog and digital circuits, controls and mechatronics, telecommunications, and embedded theory.

Features	NI ELVIS I	NI ELVIS II	NI ELVIS II+
12 integrated instruments	1	1	1
PCI/PCMCIA	✓	-	-
Integrated USB	-	1	1
Isolated digital multimeter	-	1	1
NI-DAQmx software	-	1	1
True Multisim integration	-	1	1
100 MS/s oscilloscope	-	-	1

Table 1. NI ELVIS Platform Comparison



Figure 1. The NI ELVIS Education Platform



NI Electronics Education Platform

NI ELVIS, an integral part of the NI electronics education platform, combines simulation and measurements from NI ELVIS inside the NI Multisim capture and SPICE simulation environment. Students transfer concepts taught in a textbook to Multisim, where they can learn through modeling circuit behavior and interactive circuits. They can compare simulation and real measurements with a single mouse click using NI ELVIS instruments inside the Multisim environment and achieve more complex analysis using LabVIEW or LabVIEW SignalExpress.

For more information on the NI electronics education platform, visit **ni.com/academic/eep**.

NI-ELVISmx Driver and LabVIEW Accessibility

With the NI-ELVISmx driver, students can access their suite of 12 instruments through the NI-ELVISmx instrument launcher. These virtual instruments with their soft front panels provide an interactive interface to configure instruments.

NI ELVIS virtual instruments are open-sourced and customizable in LabVIEW. With the installation of the driver, students can use LabVIEW Express VIs and LabVIEW SignalExpress steps to program their devices. This provides point-and-click configuration capabilities for the individual instruments, so they can achieve customized and more complex analysis of acquired data in LabVIEW.

Those who are familiar with the DAQmx API can program general analog input, analog output, and timing functionality on NI ELVIS using NI-DAQmx.



Figure 2. Integration with NI LabVIEW

Teach a Variety of Disciplines with Plug-In Boards

Educaters can extend their labs beyond instrumentation and circuits with NI ELVIS plug-in boards and courseware from third-party collaborators such as Emona, Freescale Semiconductor, and Quanser to teach telecommunications, microcontroller, and control concepts. National Instruments also now provides introduces a digital electronics and field-programmable gate array (FPGA) plug-in board for the platform.

NI ELVIS is an open architecture, which helps leading teaching solution providers take advantage of the platform. The following plug-in boards are available from the following companies.

Digital Electronics with National Instruments

• NI Digital Electronics FPGA Board based on Xilinx Spartan-3E FPGA



Figure 3. NI Digital Electronics FPGA Board and NI ELVIS II+

Control and Simulation with Quanser

- QNET-010 DC motor control
- QNET-011 rotary inverted pendulum
- QNET-012 HVAC system
- QNET-013 Vertical Take-Off and Landing (VTOL) actuator
- QNET-014 mechatronics sensor 1



Figure 4. Quanser QNET Plants and NI ELVIS II

Embedded/MCU Design with Freescale

• Embedded/MCU design with Freescale Microcontroller Student Learning Kit (SLK)



Figure 5. Freescale Microcontroller SLK and NI ELVIS II

Telecommunications and Fiber Optics with Emona

- Telecommunications with Emona DATEx
- Fiber optics with Emona FOTEx



Figure 6. Emona FOTEx Fiber Optics Board and NI ELVIS II+

Other Companion Products

- Circuits NI electronics education platform with Multisim
- Embedded/DSP Analog Devices ADSP-BF537 Blackfin Processor
- Sensors Vernier sensor adapters for NI ELVIS

Ordering Information

Bundles

NI ELVIS II+ Circuit Design Bundle	780379-02
NI ELVIS II Circuit Design Bundle	780379-01
Includes NI ELVIS workstation, Multisim, LabVIEW, LabVIEW SignalExpress, and	nd user manual.
NI ELVIS II+ Basic Bundle	780378-02
NI ELVIS II Basic Bundle	780378-01
Includes NI ELVIS workstation, LabVIEW, LabVIEW SignalExpress, and user r	nanual.
NI ELVIS II+ instrumentation design	
and training platform	780380-02
NI ELVIS II instrumentation design	
and training platform	780380-01
Includes NI ELVIS workstation only and user manual for industry and vocation	nal training.
NI ELVIS II prototyping board	188432-01
Used with NI ELVIS II and NI ELVIS II+.	

BUY NOW!

For complete product specifications, pricing, and accessory information, call 800 813 3693 (U.S.) or go to **ni.com/nielvis**.

Specifications

>> For complete specifications, see the *NI ELVIS II series* user manual at **ni.com/manuals**.

Performance is typical at 25 °C unless otherwise specified.

Analog Input

Analog Triggers

Number of triggers	1
Source	Al<015>, and available on
	NI ELVIS II only, ScopeCHO,
	ScopeCH1
Functions	Start trigger, reference trigger,
	pause trigger, sample clock,
	convert clock, sample
	clock timebase
Source level	±Full scale
Resolution	10 bits
Modes	Analog edge triggering, analog
	edge triggering with hysteresis,
	and analog window triggering

Arbitrary Waveform Generator/Analog Output

Channels	2
DAC resolution	16 bits
Maximum update rate	
1 channel	2.8 MS/s
2 channels	2.0 MS/s
Timing resolution	50 ns
Output range	±10 V, ±5 V
Slew rate	20 V/µs

Digital I/O and PFI

General-Purpose Counter/Timers

Counter/timers	2
Resolution	32 bits

Counter measurements
Position measurements
Output applications
Output applications

External base clock frequency
Base clock accuracy
Maximum frequency
Inputs

Frequency Generator

Channels	1
Base clocks	1
Divisors	1
Maximum frequency	1
Base clock accuracy	5

External Digital Triggers

Source	TRIG B
Polarity	Softwa
	most s

Analog	input	function	 	 	 	

Analog output function	
Counter/timer function	

Digital Multimeter (DMM)

Isolated functions	
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Isolation	level	

Resolution
Input impedance
Nonisolated functions

Voltage Measurement

DC ranges	100
AC ranges	200
Accuracy	Ref

Current Measurement

DC range	2 A
AC ranges	500 mA _{rms} , 2 A _{rms}
Shunt resistor	0.1 Ω
Burden voltage	<0.6 V
Accuracy	Refer to NI ELVIS
Input protection	F 3.15 A 250 V, fa
	user-renlaceable f

two-pulse encoding
Pulse, pulse train with dynamic updates, frequency division, equivalent time sampling
0 to 20 MHz
50 ppm
1 MHz
Gate, source, HW_Arm, Aux, A, B, Z, Up_Down

Edge counting, pulse, semiperiod,

period, two-edge separation

with Channel Z reloading;

X1, X2, X4 quadrature encoding

IO MHz,	100 kHz
l to 16	
I MHz	
50 ppm	

 TRIG BNC or any PFI
 Software-selectable for most signals
 Start trigger, reference trigger, pause trigger, sample clock, convert clock, sample clock timebase
 Start trigger, pause trigger, sample clock, sample clock timebase
 Gate, source, HW_Arm, Aux, A, B, Z, Up_Down

DC voltage, AC voltage, DC current, AC current, resistance, diode 60 VDC/20 V_{rms}, Installation Category I 5 Ω digits 11 M Ω Capacitance, inductance

100 mV, 1 V, 10 V, 60 V 200 mV_{rms}, 2 V_{rms}, 20 V_{rms} Refer to NI ELVIS II

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Refer to NI ELVIS II

100 µA (10 V range)

50 pF to 500 µF

100 µH to 100 mH

Sine, square, triangle

0.186 Hz to 5 MHz (sine)

10 V

1%

1%

1

Resistance Measurement

Ranges	100 Ω, 1 kΩ, 10 kΩ, 100 kΩ,
	1 MΩ, 100 MΩ

Diode Measurement

Range
Nominal test current

Accuracy.....

Capacitance I	Measurement
Range	

Accuracy..... Inductance Measurement

Range		 	
Accurac	:v		

Function Generator

Channels
Output waveform type
Frequency range

	(squ
Frequency resolution	0.18
Waveform amplitude range	10 \
Waveform amplitude resolution	10 b
Waveform amplitude accuracy	1%
Waveform offset range	±5 \
Duty cycle range	0 to
Output impedance	50
Maximum output current	100

0.186 Hz to 1 MHz are and triangle) 36 Hz pp bits ±15 mV 100% mΑ

Modulation

Inputs	2 (AM
Modulation input range	±10 V
Amplitude modulation factor	10%/V
Frequency modulation factor	20%/V

Oscilloscope (NI ELVIS II)

Channels	2
Input coupling	А
Input impedance	1
Bandwidth (-3 dB)	1
AC coupling cutoff frequency (-3 dB)	1
Resolution	1
Maximum sampling rate	1
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Oscilloscope (NI ELVIS II+) 01

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Input coupling	AC
Input impedance	11
Bandwidth (-3 dB)	35
	50
Optional noise filter	20
AC coupling cutoff frequency (-3 dB)	12

and FM)

C or DC $M\Omega$ || 25 pF .7 MHz 0 MHz 6 bits .25 MS/s (single channel) 00 kS/s (two channels) DC accuracy Refer to NI ELVIS II

C, DC, GND VI Ω || 21 pF MHz (40 mV_{pp} range) MHz (all other ranges) MHz Hz

Maximum sampling rate...... 100 MS/s (two channels) Timebase accuracy..... 50 ppm Waveform memory..... 16384 samples per channel DC accuracy Refer to NI ELVIS II/II+

Dynamic Signal Analyzer

Frequency resolution.....

A			
Accuracy	 	 	

Bode Analyzer

Frequency range	1 Hz to 200 kHz (ELVIS II);
	1 Hz to 5 MHz (ELVIS II+)
Accuracy	Refer to NI ELVIS II

Software-controllable

Refer to NI ELVIS II

1 Hz to 35 kHz

(200, 400, 800, 1600, 3200 lines)

Two-Wire Current-Voltage Analyzer

Current range	±40 mA
Voltage sweep range	±10 V

Three-Wire Current-Voltage Analyzer

Supported devices	NPN and PNP transistors
Minimum base current increment	0.48 µA
Maximum collector current	±40 mA
Maximum collector voltage	±10 V
Maximum collector current Maximum collector voltage	±40 mA ±10 V

Impedance Analyzer

Measurement frequency range	
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Power Supplies

+15 V Supply

Output voltage (no load)	+15 V ±5%
Vaximum output current	500 mA
Short circuit protection	Resettable circuit breaker

-15 V Supply

Output voltage (no load)	-15 V ±5%
Maximum output current	500 mA
Short circuit protection	Resettable circuit breaker

+5 V Supply

Output voltage (no load)	+5 V ±5%
Maximum output current	2 A
Short circuit protection	Resettable circuit breaker

Positive Variable Supply

Output voltage	
Voltage setpoint resolution	
Voltage accuracy (no load)	
Maximum output current	
Short circuit protection	

Negative Variable Supply

Output voltage	0 to -12 V
Voltage setpoint resolution	10 bits
Voltage accuracy (no load)	100 mV
Maximum output current	500 mA
Short circuit protection	Self-resetti

0 to +12 V 10 bits 100 mV 500 mA Self-resetting current limiter

0 to -12 V
10 bits
100 mV
500 mA
Self-resetting current limiter

Calibration

Recommended warm-up time Calibration interval	15 minutes 1 year
Communication	
Bus interface	Hi-Speed USB
Physical	
Dimensions	34.3 by 28.0 by 7.6 cm (14.5 by 11 by 3 in.)
Weight (with prototyping board)	1.9 kg (4.2 lb)
Environmental	
Operating temperature	10 to 35 °C
Storage temperature	65 °C
Humidity	10 to 90% relative
	humidity, noncondensing
Maximum altitude	2000 m
Pollution degree (indoor use only)	2

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