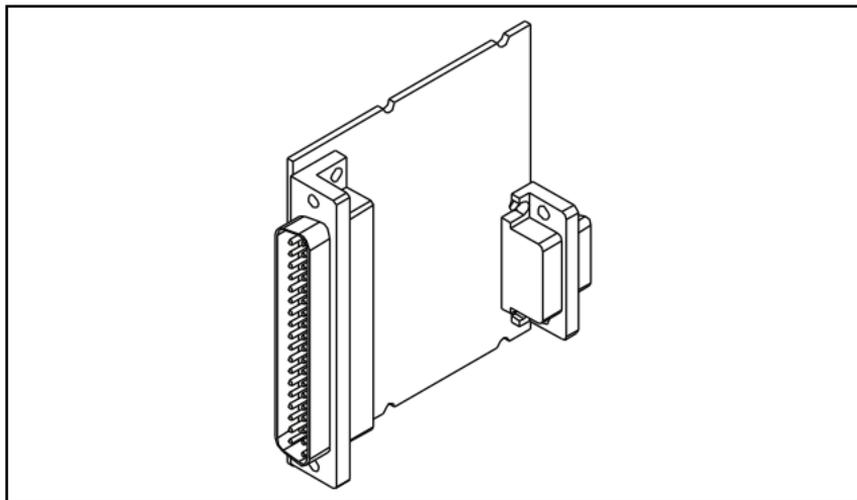


# OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS

# NI 9208E

16-Channel,  $\pm 20$  mA, 24-Bit Analog Input Module



This document describes how to use the National Instruments 9208E and includes dimensions, pin assignments, and specifications for the NI 9208E. Visit [ni.com/info](http://ni.com/info) and enter `rdsoftwareversion` to determine which software you need for the modules you are using. For information about installing, configuring, and programming the system, refer to the system documentation. Visit [ni.com/info](http://ni.com/info) and enter `cseriesdoc` for information about C Series documentation.



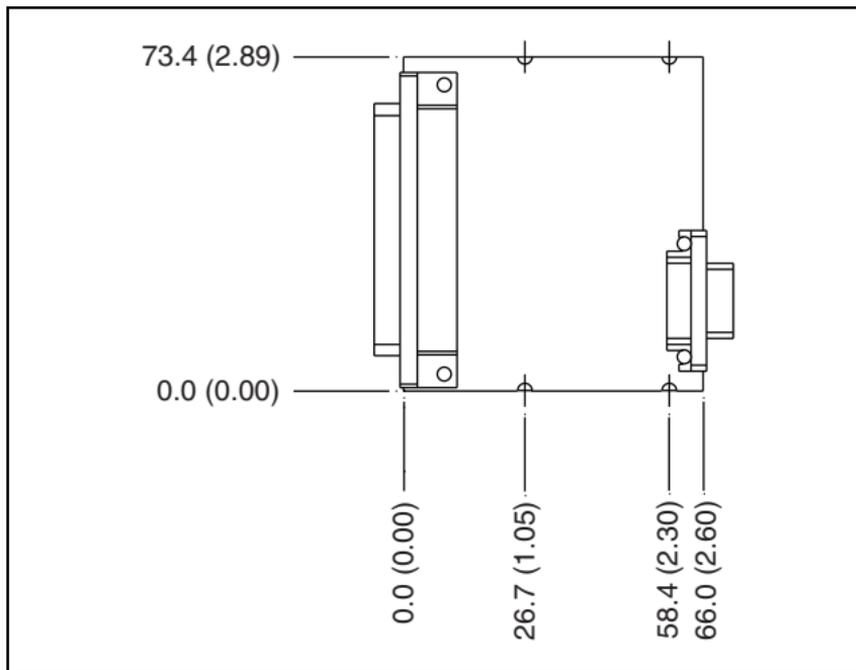
**Caution** National Instruments makes no electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) or CE marking compliance claims for the NI 9208E. The end-product supplier is responsible for conformity to any and all compliance requirements.



**Caution** The NI 9208E must be installed inside a suitable enclosure prior to use. Hazardous voltages may be present.

# NI 9208E Dimensions

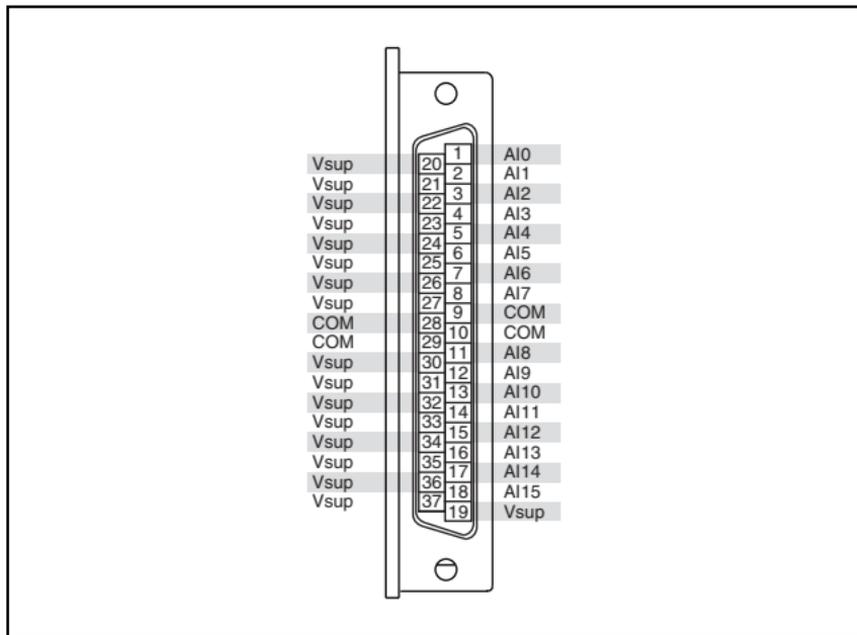
The following figure shows the dimensions of the NI 9208E.



**Figure 1.** NI 9208E Dimensions in Millimeters (Inches)

## Connecting the NI 9208E

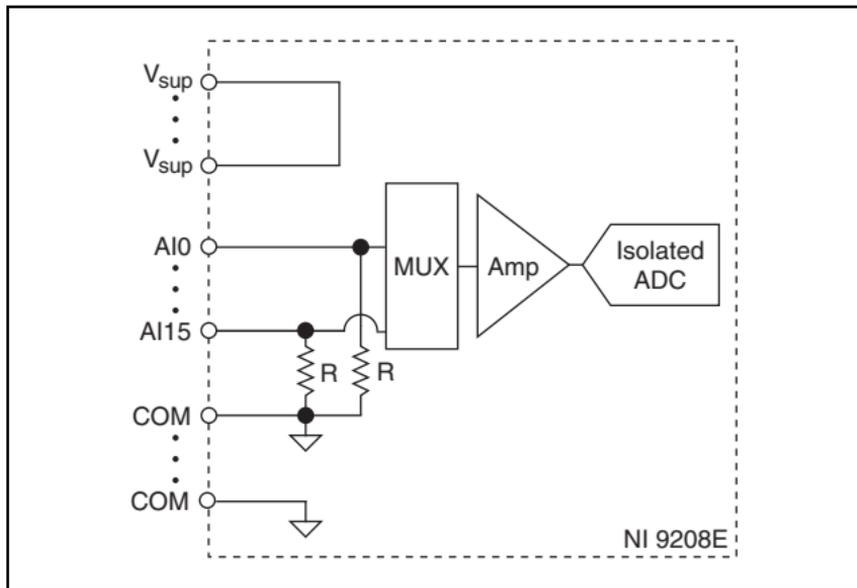
The NI 9208E has a 37-pin DSUB connector that provides connections for 16 analog input channels.



**Figure 2.** NI 9208E Pin Assignments

Each channel has an AI pin to which you can connect a current signal. The NI 9208E also has 17  $V_{\text{sup}}$  pins, one for connecting an external power supply, and one for each channel. There are also four common pins, COM, that are internally connected to the isolated ground reference of the module.

The input signals are scanned, amplified, conditioned, and then sampled by a single 24-bit ADC. The module provides overvoltage protection for each channel. Only one channel can be in an overvoltage condition at a time. Refer to the *Specifications* section for information about overvoltage protection. Refer to Figure 3 for an illustration of the input circuitry on the NI 9208E.



**Figure 3.** Input Circuitry on the NI 9208E

You can connect an external power supply to the NI 9208E. This power supply provides the current for the devices you connect to the module. Connect the positive lead of the power supply to a  $V_{\text{sup}}$  pin and the negative lead of the power supply to COM. Install a 2 A maximum, fast-acting fuse between the external power supply and the  $V_{\text{sup}}$  pin. Refer to the *Specifications* section for information about the  $V_{\text{sup}}$  pins.

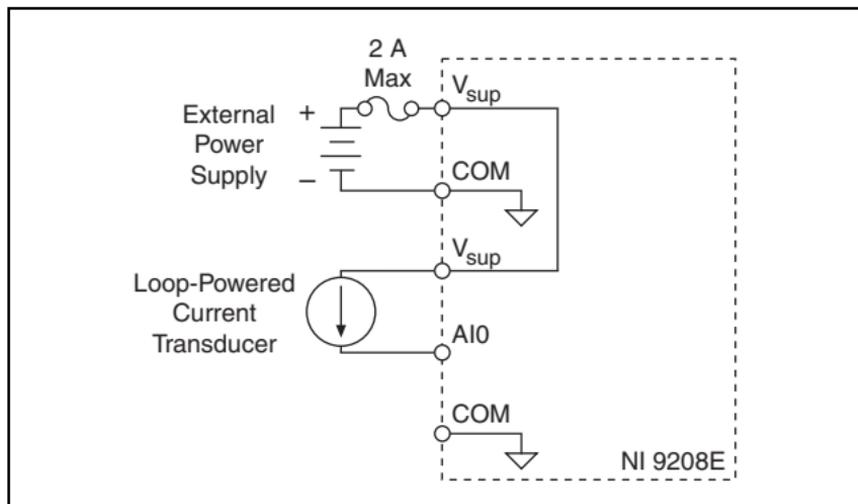


**Note** The  $V_{\text{sup}}$  pins are internally connected to each other. You can connect only one external voltage supply to the device.

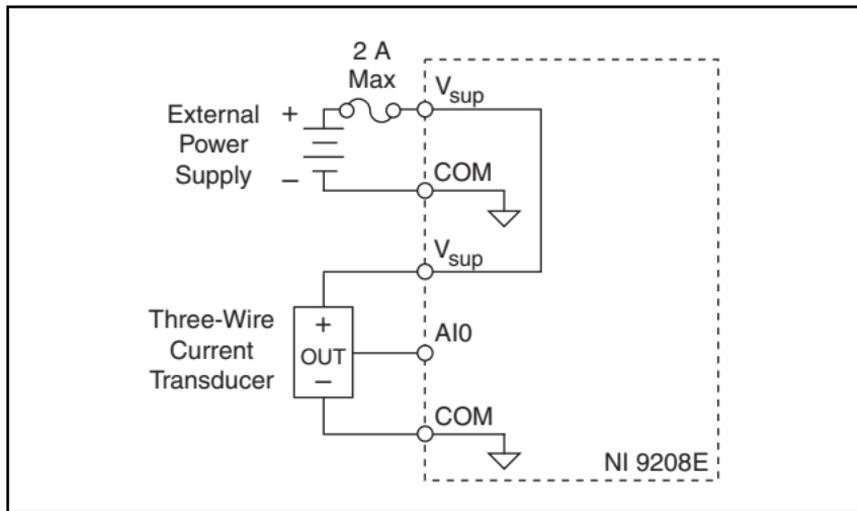


**Caution** Do *not* remove or insert modules if the external power supply connected to the  $V_{\text{sup}}$  and COM pins is powered on.

You can connect single-ended current signals to the NI 9208E, including loop-powered and three-wire current transducers. To connect a loop-powered transducer, connect the current signal to the AI pin of the channel and the supply terminal to a  $V_{sup}$  pin. For a three-wire transducer, also connect the common of the device to COM. Refer to Figures 4 and 5 for illustrations of how to connect loop-powered and three-wire current transducers to the NI 9208E.



**Figure 4.** Connecting a Loop-Powered Current Transducer to the NI 9208E



**Figure 5.** Connecting a Three-Wire Current Transducer to the NI 9208E

# Sleep Mode

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This module supports a low-power sleep mode. Support for sleep mode at the system level depends on the chassis that the module is plugged into. Refer to the chassis manual for information about support for sleep mode. If the chassis supports sleep mode, refer to the software help for information about enabling sleep mode. Visit [ni.com/info](http://ni.com/info) and enter `cseriesdoc` for information about C Series documentation.

Typically, when a system is in sleep mode, you cannot communicate with the modules. In sleep mode, the system consumes minimal power and may dissipate less heat than it does in normal mode. Refer to the *Specifications* section for more information about power consumption and thermal dissipation.

# Specifications

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The following specifications are typical for the range  $-40$  to  $85$  °C internal to any enclosures unless otherwise noted. All voltages are relative to COM unless otherwise noted.

## Input Characteristics

Number of channels ..... 16 analog input channels

ADC resolution ..... 24 bits

Type of ADC ..... Delta-Sigma

Sampling mode ..... Scanned

Input range

    Minimum .....  $\pm 21.5$  mA

    Typical .....  $\pm 22$  mA

Conversion time (per channel)

    High-resolution mode ..... 52 ms

    High-speed mode ..... 2 ms

Overvoltage protection,

channel-to-COM .....  $\pm 30$  V max on one channel at  
a time

$V_{\text{sup}}$  pins

Current..... 2 A max

Voltage..... 30 V max

Input impedance..... 85  $\Omega$

### Accuracy

Measurement Conditions	Percent of Reading (Gain Error)	Percent of Range* (Offset Error)
Calibrated error, max (-40 to 85 °C)	0.76%	0.04%
* Range equals 22 mA.		

### Input noise

High-resolution mode..... 50 nA<sub>rms</sub>

High-speed mode..... 200 nA<sub>rms</sub>

### Stability

Gain drift ..... 20 ppm/°C

Offset drift ..... 62 nA/°C

## NMRR (High-resolution mode only)

50 Hz ..... 66 dB

60 Hz ..... 68 dB

MTBF ..... Contact NI for Bellcore  
MTBF or MIL-HDBK-217F  
specifications.

## Power Requirements

### Power consumption from chassis

Active mode ..... 282 mW max

Sleep mode ..... 25  $\mu$ W max

### Thermal dissipation (at 85 °C)

Active mode ..... 1.29 W max

Sleep mode ..... 0.72 W max

## Physical Characteristics

Use a dry, low-velocity stream of air to clean the module. If needed, use a soft-bristle brush for cleaning around components.



**Note** For two-dimensional drawings and three-dimensional models of the C Series module and connectors, visit [ni.com/dimensions](http://ni.com/dimensions) and search by module number.

Weight..... 45 g (1.6 oz)

## Safety

### Safety Voltages

Connect only voltages that are within the following limits.

Channel-to-COM .....  $\pm 30$  V

#### Isolation

Channel-to-channel ..... None

Channel-to-earth ground

Continuous ..... 60 VDC,  
Measurement Category I,  
(Double insulation)

Withstand ..... 1,000 V<sub>rms</sub>, verified by a 5 s dielectric withstand test

Measurement Category I is for measurements performed on circuits not directly connected to the electrical distribution system referred to as *MAINS* voltage. *MAINS* is a hazardous live electrical supply system that powers equipment. This category is for measurements of voltages from specially protected secondary circuits. Such voltage measurements include signal levels, special equipment, limited-energy parts of equipment, circuits powered by regulated low-voltage sources, and electronics.



**Caution** Do *not* connect the NI 9208E to signals or use for measurements within Measurement Categories II, III, or IV.

## Safety Standards

This product meets the requirements of the following standards of safety for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use when installed in a suitable enclosure:

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



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

## Online Product Certification

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

## Environmental

National Instruments C Series modules are intended for indoor use only but may be used outdoors if installed in a suitable enclosure. Refer to the manual for the chassis you are using for more information about meeting these specifications.

Operating temperature

(IEC 60068-2-1, IEC 60068-2-2) ..... -40 to 85 °C

Storage temperature

(IEC 60068-2-1, IEC 60068-2-2) ..... -40 to 85 °C

Operating humidity

(IEC 60068-2-56)..... 10 to 90% RH,  
noncondensing

Storage humidity (IEC 60068-2-56).....	5 to 95% RH, noncondensing
Maximum altitude.....	2,000 m
Pollution Degree .....	2

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## Calibration

You can obtain the calibration certificate and information about calibration services for the NI 9208E at [ni.com/calibration](http://ni.com/calibration).

Calibration interval ..... 2 years

## Where to Go for Support

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