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# 1 Introduction

The PXI-3950 is ADLINK's next generation PXI embedded controller designed for hybrid PXI-based testing systems. Combining a state-of-art Intel® Core™2 Duo T7500 2.2 GHz processor, the latest GME965 chipset, and 4 GB 667 MHz DDR2 memory, the PXI-3950 delivers ultimate performance for a wide variety of test and measurement applications.

A hybrid PXI-based testing system is usually composed of a PXI platform and diversified stand-alone instruments for elaborate testing tasks. PXI-3950 provides plenty of interfaces, including GPIB, USB and COM ports, for connecting and controlling instruments. And further, PXI-3950 has dual Gigabit Ethernet ports so that users can use one for LAN connection and the other for controlling next-generation LXI instruments.

The PXI-3950 is also specifically designed to deliver excellent durability and reliability. The cable-free mechanical construction of PXI-3950 is extremely durable. And a large aluminum heat pipe composite heat sink dissipates heat generated by CPU and other critical components uniformly to maintain a stable operating temperature.

By introducing Intel® dual core technology, the PXI-3950 has two computing engines on a single processor, which can execute two independent tasks at the same time in a multi-tasking environment. Combining this superior performance with a variety of instrument platforms makes the PXI-3950 an ideal solution for your hybrid PXI-based testing system.

This chapter gives an overview of the PXI-3950 System Controller, and covers the following topics:

- ▶ Features
- ▶ Functional block diagram
- ▶ Specifications
- ▶ Unpacking checklist

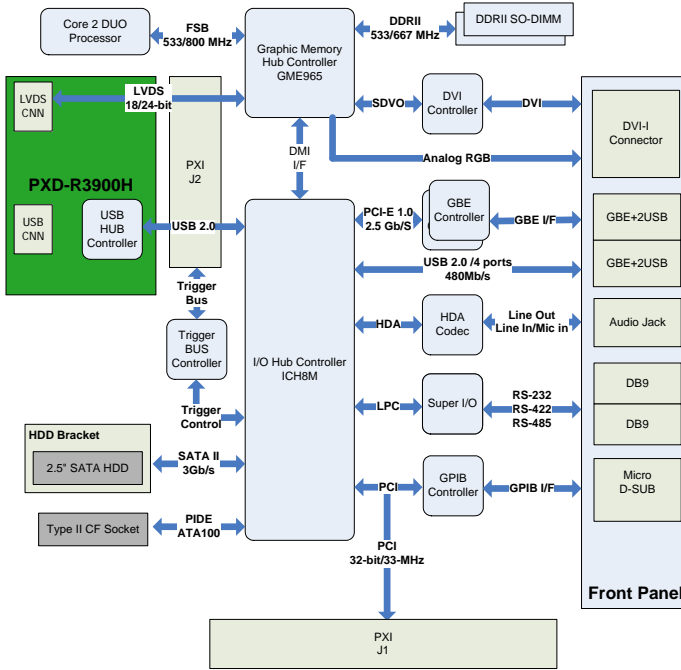
Note the capability of addressing 4GB memory is OS-dependent. A 32-bit operating system may not be able to address the full 4 GB memory space. To utilize full 4 GB memory, 64-bit operating systems are required.

## 1.1 Features

- ▶ PXI specification Rev. 2.2 Compliant
- ▶ Intel® Core™2 Duo T7500 2.2 GHz processor for ultimate computing power
- ▶ Built-in 4 GB 667 MHz DDR2 memory
- ▶ Integrated 120 GB 7200 RPM SATA hard drive
- ▶ One CompactFlash socket for HDD replacement
- ▶ Integrated I/O
  - ▷ Dual Gigabit Ethernet ports
  - ▷ Four USB 2.0 Ports
  - ▷ Built-in GPIB (IEEE488) controller
  - ▷ Two RS-232/422/485 ports
  - ▷ DVI-I video connector
  - ▷ High definition audio output and input
  - ▷ Trigger I/O for advanced PXI trigger function
- ▶ Programmable watchdog timer



## 1.2 Functional Block Diagram



## 1.3 Specifications

### 1.3.1 Core Features

#### Processor

- ▶ Intel® Core™2 Duo T7500 2.2 GHz processor
- ▶ Supports 800 MHz front side bus (FSB)

#### Chipset

- ▶ Mobile Intel® GME965 Graphic Memory Control HUB
- ▶ Intel® I/O Controller Hub 8 Mobile (ICH8-M)

#### Memory

- ▶ Supports dual channel DDR2 SDRAM, 667 MHz
- ▶ 4 GB built-in SODIMM memory modules

#### Video

##### Mobile Intel® GMA X3100 graphic media accelerator

- ▶ DVI output
  - ▷ Single channel TMDS via SDVO to DVI controller
  - ▷ Supports up to 1600x1200 resolution
- ▶ CRT output
  - ▷ Analog CRT route to DVI-I connector on the faceplate
  - ▷ Supports up to 2048x1536 resolution
- ▶ LVDS output (for rear I/O only)
  - ▷ Single 18-bit/24-bit LVDS Channel route to rear transition module
  - ▷ Supports LCD backlight control
- ▶ DVI-I connector for both digital and analog video signal outputs

## 1.3.2 I/O Connectivity

### Hard Drive

- ▶ Built-in 2.5", 120 GB SATA hard drive, 7200 RPM

### Ethernet

- ▶ Dual Gigabit Ethernet controllers
- ▶ Two RJ-45 connectors with speed/link/active LED on the faceplate

### USB

- ▶ Four USB 2.0 ports on the faceplate

### GPIB

- ▶ On-board IEEE488 GPIB controller
- ▶ Micro-D 25-pin connector on the faceplate (GPIB cable not included)

### Serial Port

- ▶ Two 16C550 UART compatible COM ports on the faceplate
- ▶ Supports RS-232, RS-422 and RS-485, configurable by jumper setting

### Audio

- ▶ Supports High Definition Audio
- ▶ Two audio jacks on the faceplate for line-in and speaker-out

### Trigger I/O

- ▶ One SMB connector on the faceplate to route an external trigger signal to/from PXI trigger bus

### CompactFlash socket

- ▶ One type II CF Socket, supporting PIO and DMA modes

### 1.3.3 Physical

Dimensions	3-slot 3U PXI module
Slot requirements	1 system slot and 2 controller expansion slots
Weight	0.9 kg

### 1.3.4 Environment

Operating temperature	0 to 55°C
Storage temperature	-20 to 80°C
Relative humidity	5 to 95%, non-condensing

### 1.3.5 Shock and Vibration

Functional shock	30 G, half-sine, 11 ms pulse duration
Random vibration	
Operating	5 to 500 Hz, 0.5 Grms, 3 axes
Non-operating	5 to 500 Hz, 2.46 Grms, 3 axes

### 1.3.6 Certification

#### Electromagnetic compatibility

EMC/EMI:	CE, FCC Class A
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#### CE Compliance

The PXI-3950 meets the essential requirements of applicable European Directives.

### 1.3.7 Power Requirements

Voltage rail	3.3 V	5V
Minimal power consumption (system is idle)	650 mA	4.2 A
Maximal power consumption (system is full-loaded)	820 mA	13.5 A

## 1.4 Unpacking Checklist

Before unpacking, check the shipping carton for any damage. If the shipping carton and/or contents are damaged, inform your dealer immediately. Retain the shipping carton and packing materials for inspection. Obtain authorization from your dealer before returning any product to ADLINK

Check for the following in the package. If there are any missing items, contact your dealer:

- ▶ PXI-3950 Controller (equipped with CPU, RAM and HDD)
- ▶ USB-to-PS2 KB/MS cable
- ▶ DVI-to-VGA adapter
- ▶ User's Manual
- ▶ ADLINK All-In-One CD



This board must be protected from static discharge and physical shock. Never remove any of parts except at a static-free workstation. Use the antistatic bag shipped with the product to handle the board. Wear a grounded wrist strap when servicing components.

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## 2 I/O Connectors and Pin Assignments

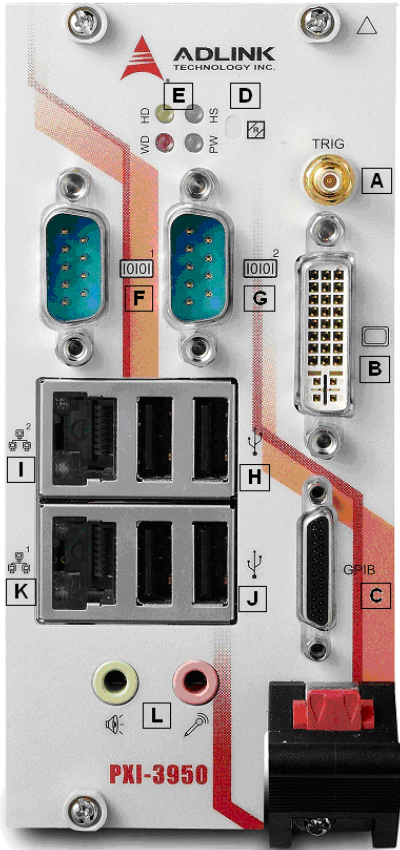
This chapter illustrates the I/O connectors on the faceplate and PCB. Pin definitions of connectors are described in detail. Jumper setting for clearing CMOS and configuring COM ports are also mentioned.

### 2.1 Peripheral Connectivity

Peripheral	Faceplate Connector	On-board Connector
Video	DVI-I (DVI+VGA)	
Gigabit Ethernet	GbE#1 (RJ-45) GbE#2 (RJ-45)	
USB	USB#1 (Type A) USB#2 (Type A) USB#3 (Type A) USB#4 (Type A)	
GPIB	GPIB (Micro DB-25)	
Serial Port	COM#1 (DB-9) COM#2 (DB-9)	
HD Audio	Line-in + Speaker-out (audio jacks)	
PXI Trigger	TRIG (SMB)	
CompactFlash		Type II CF socket
SATA		SATA Gen 1 port

**Table 2-1: Peripheral Connectivity**

## 2.2 Faceplate Connectors/Indicators



Symbol	Function
A	External Trigger (SMB Connector)
B	DVI-I Connector
C	GPIB Connector (Micro D-Sub 25P)
D	Reset Button
E	LED indicators
F	COM1 (DB9)
G	COM2 (DB9)
H	2x USB connectors (Type-A)
I	Gigabit Ethernet #2 (RJ-45)
J	2x USB connectors (Type-A)
K	Gigabit Ethernet #1 (RJ-45)
L	Audio Jack

Figure 2-1: PXI-3950 Faceplate



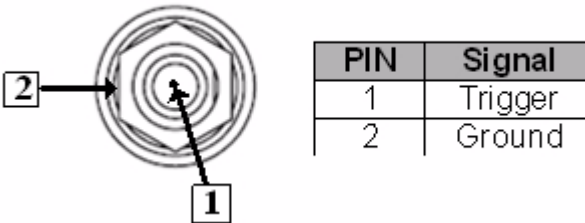
## 2.2.1 PXI Trigger Connector

The PXI trigger connector is a SMB connector and is used to route an external trigger signal to or from the PXI backplane. Trigger signals are TTL compatible and edge sensitive. The PXI-3950 provides four trigger routing modes from/to the PXI trigger connector to synchronize PXI modules, including:

- ▶ From a selected trigger bus line to PXI trigger connector
- ▶ From the PXI trigger connector to a selected trigger bus line
- ▶ From software trigger to a selected trigger bus line
- ▶ From software trigger to PXI trigger connector

All trigger modes are programmable by the driver provided with PXI-3950. Please refer to Appendix A: Trigger I/O Function Reference for further information.

**Figure 2-2: PXI Trigger & Pin Assignments**

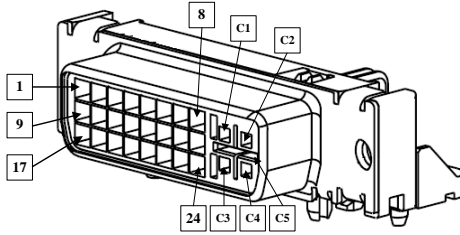


## 2.2.2 DVI-I Connector

The DVI-I connector is used to connect PXI-3950 to the monitor. PXI-3950 supports both digital (DVI) and analog (VGA) monitors. While connecting to an analog (VGA) monitor, you need to install the DVI-to-VGA adapter, which is shipped with PXI-3950 controllers, on the DVI-I connector.



**Figure 2-3: DVI Connector & Pin Assignments**



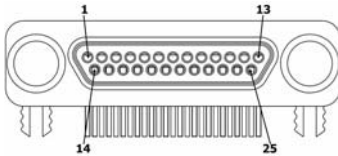
PIN	Signal	Description
1	TMDS Data2-	T.M.D.S link#0 Channel#2 Differential Pair
2	TMDS Data2+	
3	Shield Ground	T.M.D.S channel#0 Shield
4	Reserved	Reserved for link#1
5	Reserved	Reserved for link#1
6	DDC Clock	The clock line for the DDC I/F
7	DDC Data	The data line for the DDC I/F
8	Analog VSYNC	Vertical synchronization signal for the analog interface
9	TMDS Data1-	T.M.D.S link#0 Channel#1 Differential Pair
10	TMDS Data1+	
11	Shield Ground	T.M.D.S channel#1 Shield
12	Reserved	Reserved for link#1
13	Reserved	Reserved for link#1
14	+5V Power	Provide by the system to enable the monitor to provide EDID
15	Ground	Return for +5V,HSync and VSync
16	Hot Plug Detect	Driven by monitor to enable the system to identify the presence of a monitor
17	TMDS Data0-	T.M.D.S link#0 Channel#0 Differential Pair
18	TMDS Data0+	
19	Shield Ground	T.M.D.S channel#0 Shield
20	Reserved	Reserved for link#1
21	Reserved	Reserved for link#1
22	Ground	T.M.D.S Clock Shield
23	TMDS Clock+	T.M.D.S Clock Differential Pair
24	TMDS Clock-	
C1	Analog Red	Analog Red Signal
C2	Analog Green	Analog Green Signal
C3	Analog Blue	Analog Blue Signal
C4	Analog HSYNC	Vertical synchronization signal for the analog input
C5	Analog Ground	Analog R, G and B return

### 2.2.3 GPIB Connector

The GPIB connector on PXI-3950 is a micro D-sub 25P connector and is used to control external bench-top instruments. You need the ACL-IEEE488-MD1 cable to connect PXI-3950 and any instruments. The on-board GPIB controller has the following features:

- ▶ Fully compatible with the IEEE 488 standard
- ▶ Up to 1.5MB/s data transfer rates
- ▶ On-board 2 KB FIFO for read/write operations
- ▶ Provides driver APIs compatible with NI<sup>1</sup>-488.2 driver software
- ▶ Up to 14 instruments may be connected

Figure 2-4: GPIB Connector & Pin Assignments



PIN	Signal	Description
1	DIO1#	GPIB Data 1
2	DIO2#	GPIB Data 2
3	DIO3#	GPIB Data 3
4	DIO4#	GPIB Data 4
5	EOI	End Or Identify
6	DAV	Data Valid
7	NRFD	Not Ready For Data
8	NDAC	Not Data Accepted
9	IFC	Interface Clear
10	SRQ	Service Request
11	ATN	Attention
12	Chassis Ground	Chassis Ground
13	Ground	Signal Ground
14	DIO5#	GPIB Data 5
15	DIO6#	GPIB Data 6
16	DIO7#	GPIB Data 7
17	DIO8#	GPIB Data 8
18	REN	Remote Enable
19	Ground	Signal Ground
20	Ground	Signal Ground
21	Ground	Signal Ground
22	Ground	Signal Ground
23	Ground	Signal Ground
24	Ground	Signal Ground
25	Ground	Signal Ground

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## 2.2.4 Reset Button

The reset button is used to perform hard reset for PXI-3950. You can use a pin-like object to push the reset button.

## 2.2.5 LED Indicators

There are four LED indicators on the faceplate to indicate the operating status of the PXI-3950. The following table describes the color and function of the LED indicators.

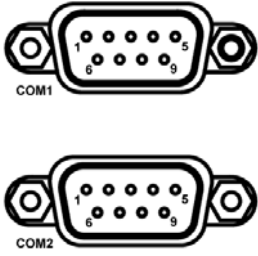
LED Indicator	Color	Description
Power LED	Green	Indicates system power status. If the LED is on, the system boots up normally and the main power supply is good.
HDD LED	Yellow	Indicates operating state of the HDD. When the SATA hard drive or CF card is active, the LED indicator flashes.
Watchdog	Red	Indicates status of the watchdog timer. When watchdog timer expires, the LED is on. Please refer to Appendix B for watchdog timer programming information.
HS LED	Blue	Indicates system status. If the system status is good, the LED is on and then off during system boot-up. If the LED keeps blinking or stays on, the system is malfunctioning.  Note: If you encounter any malfunction, clear the CMOS (refer to section 2.4.1) and reboot the system. If the system does not respond properly, please contact ADLINK for assistance.

**Table 2-2: LED Indicators**

## 2.2.6 COM Ports

The PXI-3950 provides two COM ports on the faceplate in D-sub 9P connectors. These two serial ports are 16C550 UART compatible and support RS-232/RS-422/RS-485 by jumper selection. Please refer to section 2.4.2 for setting the COM ports.

**Figure 2-5: COM Ports & Pin Assignments**

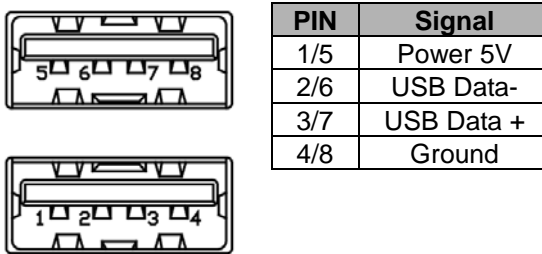


PIN	Signal Name		
	RS-232	RS-422	RS-485
1	DCD#	TXD422-	485DATA-
2	RXD#	TXD422+	485DATA+
3	TXD#	RXD422+	
4	DTR#	RXD422-	
5	GND		
6	DSR#		
7	RTS#		
8	CTS#		
9	RI#		

## 2.2.7 USB 2.0 Ports

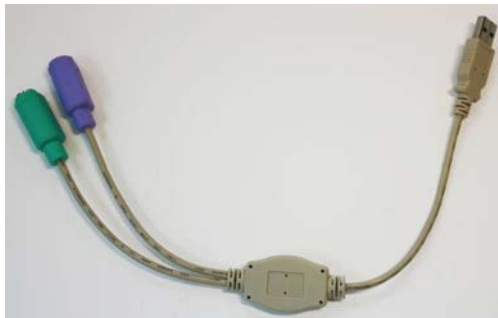
The PXI-3950 provides four USB 2.0 ports via Type A USB connectors on the faceplate. All USB ports are compatible with high-speed, full-speed, and low-speed USB devices. The PXI-3950 controller supports multiple boot devices, including USB flash drive, USB floppy, USB CD-ROM, etc. The boot priority and boot device can be configured in BIOS (see section 3.8 for details).

**Figure 2-6: USB 2.0 Ports & Pin Assignments**



Additionally, the PXI-3950 is shipped with a USB-to-PS2 cable for users who need to connect a PS/2 keyboard and mouse.

**Figure 2-7: USB-to-PS/2 Cable**



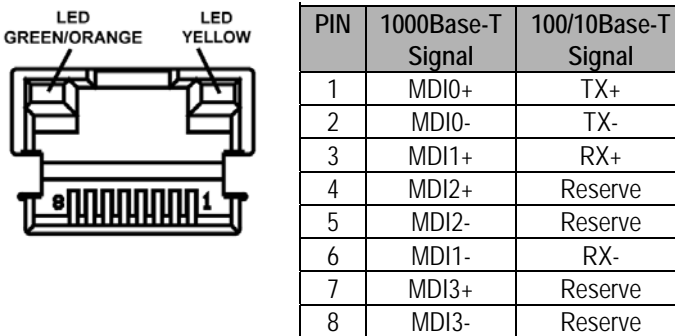
## 2.2.8 Gigabit Ethernet Port

The PXI-3950 has one GbE port from an Intel ICH8M MAC/ Intel 82566 PHY and one GbE port from a Marvell 88E8053 Gigabit Ethernet controller via an x1 PCI Express interface to provide dual Gigabit Ethernet connectivity.

The Ethernet controller supports the following features:

- ▶ x1 PCI Express interface with 2.5 GHz signaling
- ▶ Advanced error reporting
- ▶ Message signaled interrupts
- ▶ TCP segmentation off load/large-send support
- ▶ 802.3x flow control-compliant
- ▶ IEEE 802.1p and 802.1q support
- ▶ 10/100/1000 IEEE 802.3-compliant
- ▶ Automatic MDI/MDIX crossover at all speeds
- ▶ ACPI 2.0 specification
- ▶ Wake-On-Link feature
- ▶ Fully integrated ASF 2.0 functionality with on-chip  $\mu$ c
- ▶ SMBus 2.0 master interface for ASF functionality
- ▶ Serial Peripheral Interface (SPI) for ASF firmware and for

**Figure 2-8: Gigabit Ethernet Port & Pin Assignments**





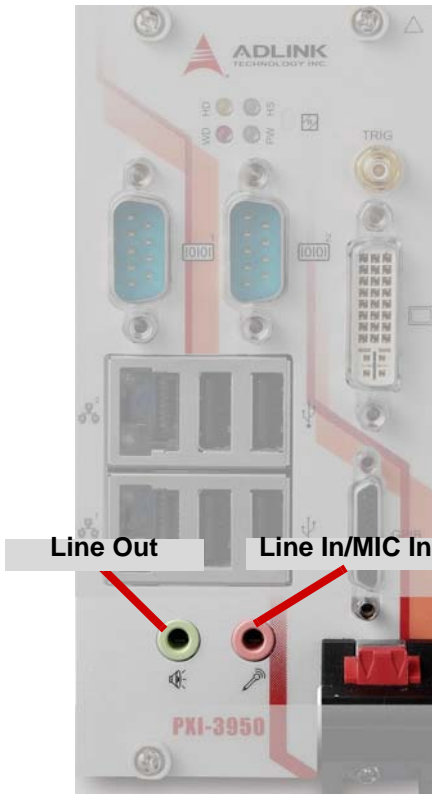
<b>Active/Link LED</b>		
<b>LED Color</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Description</b>
Yellow	Off	Ethernet port is disconnected
	ON	Ethernet port is connected with no data transmission
	Flash	Ethernet port is connected and is transmitting/receiving data.
<b>Speed LED</b>		
<b>LED Color</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Description</b>
Green/Orange	Off	10 Mbps
	Green	100 Mbps
	Orange	1000 Mbps

**Table 2-3: Gigabit Ethernet LED Status Description**

## 2.2.9 High Definition Audio Ports

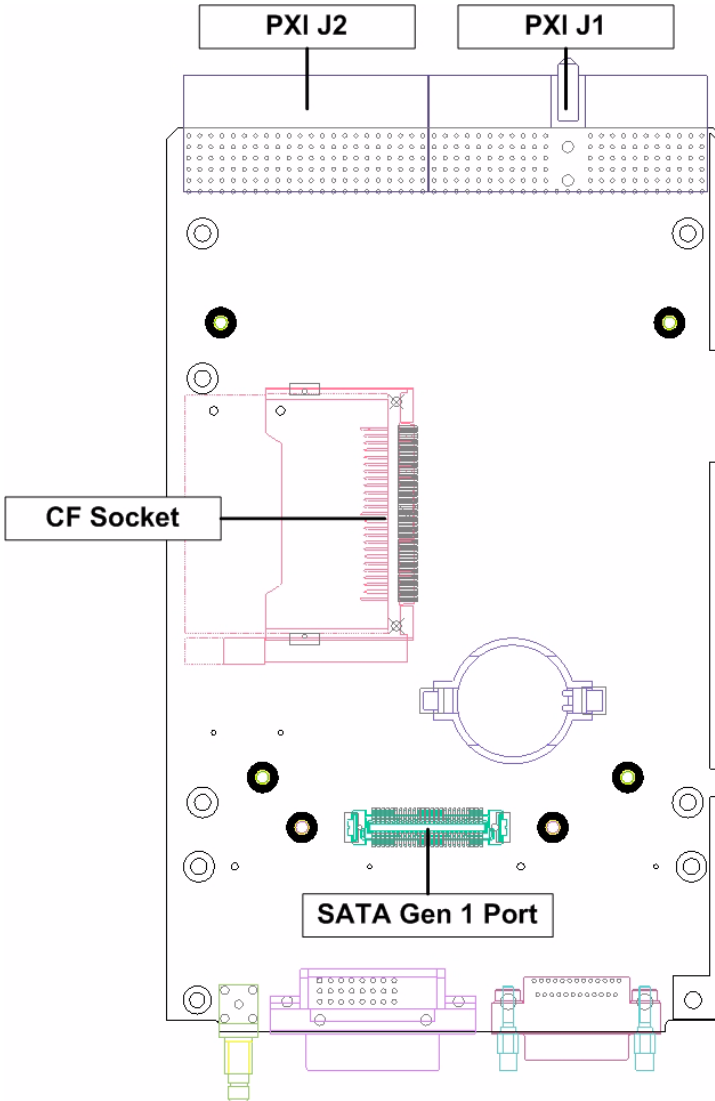
The PXI-3950 implements Intel High Definition audio using the Realtek ALC260/262 chip. The HD audio supports up to 24-bit, 192 Kbps high quality headphone/speaker output and line input. The audio jacks can be accessed on the faceplate of the PXI-3950.

Figure 2-9: High Definition Audio Ports



## 2.3 On-board Connectors Layout

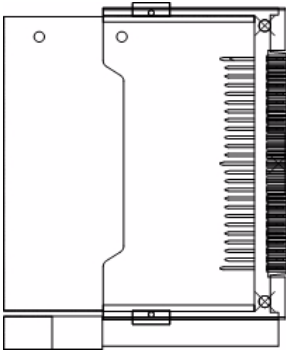
Figure 2-10: PXI-3950 Board Layout



### 2.3.1 CompactFlash Socket

The PXI-3950 is equipped with a type II CompactFlash socket which is located on the first layer of the PCB (under the CPU core module). The CF interface supports both ATA and PIO modes. You can use a CF card as replacement of hard drive for better shock/vibration resistance.

**Figure 2-11: CompactFlash Socket & Pin Assignments**

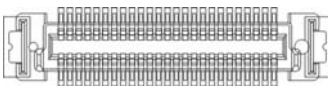


PIN	SIGNAL	PIN	SIGNAL
1	GND	26	GND
2	D03	27	D11
3	D04	28	D12
4	D05	29	D13
5	D06	30	D14
6	D07	31	D15
7	CS1#	32	CS3#
8	GND	33	GND
9	GND	34	IORDY#
10	GND	35	IOWR#
11	GND	36	WE#
12	GND	37	INTRO
13	VCC	38	VCC
14	GND	39	CSEL#
15	GND	40	NC
16	GND	41	RESET#
17	GND	42	IORDY
18	A02	43	DMARQ
19	A01	44	DMACK#
20	A00	45	DASP#
21	D00	46	PDIAG#
22	D01	47	D08
23	D02	48	D09
24	IOCS16#	49	D10
25	GND	50	GND

## 2.3.2 SATA Port

The PXI-3950 provides a SATA Gen. 1 port and is shipped with a pre-installed 2.5" SATA hard drive. The SATA host controller supports two modes of operation, the legacy mode using I/O space and AHCI mode using memory space. You can also use a 2.5" solid state disk (SSD) as a replacement SATA hard drive for shock/vibration resistance.

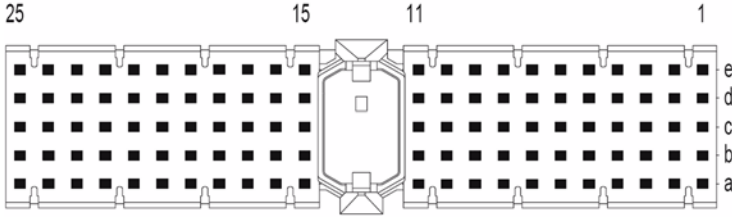
**Figure 2-12: SATA Gen. 1 Port & Pin Assignments**



Signal	PIN	PIN	Signal
GND	1	2	GND
Reserve	3	4	Reserve
Reserve	5	6	Reserve
Reserve	7	8	Reserve
Reserve	9	10	Reserve
Reserve	11	12	Reserve
Reserve	13	14	Reserve
Reserve	15	16	Reserve
Reserve	17	18	Reserve
Reserve	19	20	GND
GND	21	22	Reserve
Reserve	23	24	Reserve
Reserve	25	26	Reserve
Reserve	27	28	Reserve
Reserve	29	30	GND
Reserve	31	32	+5V
Reserve	33	34	+5V
Reserve	35	36	+5V
Reserve	37	38	+12V
Reserve	39	40	+12V
Reserve	41	42	+12V
GND	43	44	GND
SATA_RXn	45	46	SATA_TXn
SATA_RXp	47	48	SATA_TXp
GND	49	50	GND

### 2.3.3 PXI J1

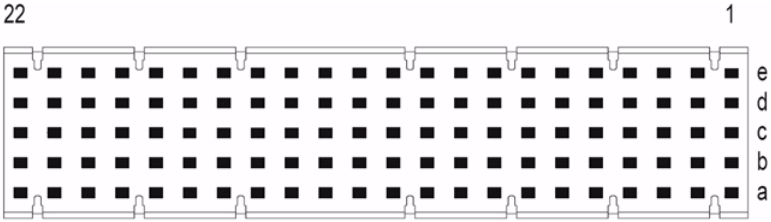
Figure 2-13: J1 Connector & Pin Assignments



Pin	Z	A	B	C	D	E	G
J1-25	GND	+5V	REQ64#	ENUM#	+3.3V	+5V	GND
J1-24	GND	AD[1]	+5V	V(I/O)	AD[0]	ACK64#	GND
J1-23	GND	+3.3V	AD[4]	AD[3]	+5V	AD[2]	GND
J1-22	GND	AD[7]	GND	+3.3V	AD[6]	AD[5]	GND
J1-21	GND	+3.3V	AD[9]	AD[8]	M66EN	C/BE[0]#	GND
J1-20	GND	AD[12]	GND	V(I/O)	AD[11]	AD[10]	GND
J1-19	GND	+3.3V	AD[15]	AD[14]	GND	AD[13]	GND
J1-18	GND	SERR#	GND	+3.3 V	PAR	C/BE[1]#	GND
J1-17	GND	+3.3V	NC	NC	GND	PERR#	GND
J1-16	GND	DEVSEL#	GND	V(I/O)	STOP#	LOCK#	GND
J1-15	GND	+3.3V	FRAME#	IRDY#	GND	TRDY#	GND
J1-12-14	GND						
J1-11	GND	AD[18]	AD[17]	AD[16]	GND	C/BE[2]#	GND
J1-10	GND	AD[21]	GND	+3.3V	AD[20]	AD[19]	GND
J1-9	GND	C/BE[3]#	GND	AD[23]	GND	AD[22]	GND
J1-8	GND	AD[26]	GND	V(I/O)	AD[25]	AD[24]	GND
J1-7	GND	AD[30]	AD[29]	AD[28]	GND	AD[27]	GND
J1-6	GND	REQ0#	GND	+3.3V	CLK0	AD[31]	GND
J1-5	GND	NC	NC	RST#	GND	GNT0#	GND
J1-4	GND	NC	HEALTHY#	V(I/O)	INTP	INTS	GND
J1-3	GND	INTA#	INTB#	INTC#	+5V	INTD#	GND
J1-2	GND	TCK	+5V	TMS	TDO	TDI	GND
J1-1	GND	+5V	-12V	TRST#	+12V	+5V	GND
Pin	Z	A	B	C	D	E	G

### 2.3.4 PXI J2

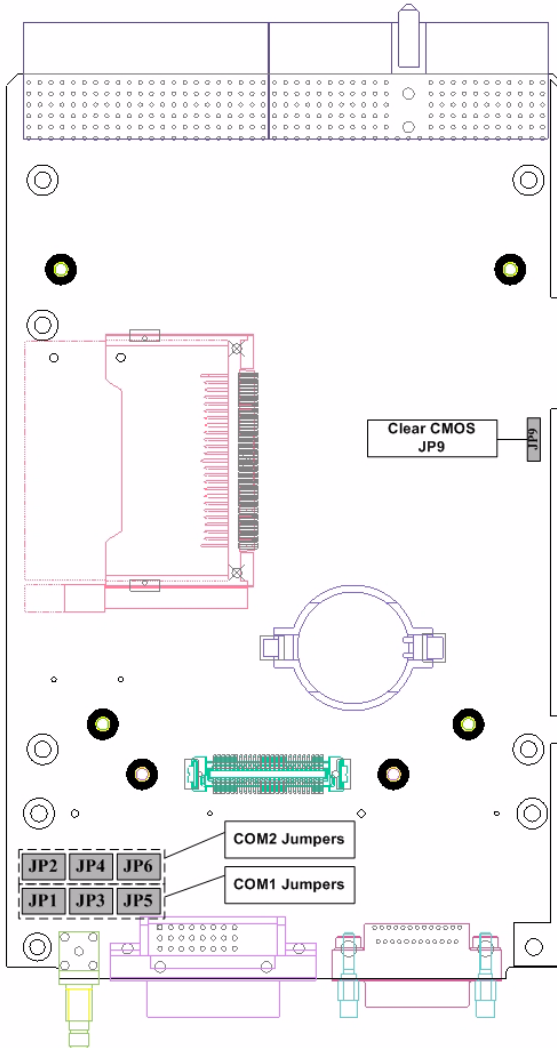
Figure 2-14: J2 Connector & Pin Assignments



Pin	Z	A	B	C	D	E	G
J1-22	GND	NC (GA4)	NC (GA3)	NC (GA2)	NC (GA1)	NC (GA0)	GND
J1-21	GND	CLK6	GND	NC (RSV)	RSV	RSV#	GND
J1-20	GND	CLK5	GND	RSV	GND	RSV	GND
J1-19	GND	GND	GND	(SMB_SDA)	(SMB_SCL)	(SMB_ALERT#)	GND
J1-18	GND	PXI_TRIG3	PXI_TRIG4	PXI_TRIG5	GND	PXI_TRIG6	GND
J1-17	GND	PXI_TRIG2	GND	REST#	REQ6#	GNT6#	GND
J1-16	GND	PXI_TRIG1	PXI_TRIG0	DEG#	GND	PXI_TRIG7	GND
J1-15	GND	NC (PXI_BRSVA15)	GND	FAL#	REQ5#	GNT5#	GND
J1-14	GND	AD[35]	AD[34]	AD[33]	GND	AD[32]	GND
J1-13	GND	AD[38]	GND	V(I/O)	AD[37]	AD[36]	GND
J1-12	GND	AD[42]	AD[41]	AD[40]	GND	AD[39]	GND
J1-11	GND	AD[45]	GND	V(I/O)	AD[44]	AD[43]	GND
J1-10	GND	AD[49]	AD[48]	AD[47]	GND	AD[46]	GND
J1-9	GND	AD[52]	GND	V(I/O)	AD[51]	AD[50]	GND
J1-8	GND	AD[56]	AD[55]	AD[54]	GND	AD[53]	GND
J1-7	GND	AD[59]	GND	V(I/O)	AD[58]	AD[57]	GND
J1-6	GND	AD[63]	AD[62]	AD[61]	GND	AD[60]	GND
J1-5	GND	C/BE[5]#	GND	V(I/O)	C/BE[4]#	PAR64	GND
J1-4	GND	V(I/O)	NC (PXI_BRSVB4)	C/BE[7]#	GND	C/BE[6]#	GND
J1-3	GND	CLK4	GND	GNT3#	REQ4#	GNT4#	GND
J1-2	GND	CLK2	CLK3	SYSEN#	GNT2#	REQ3#	GND
J1-1	GND	CLK1	GND	REQ1#	GNT1#	REQ2#	GND
Pin	Z	A	B	C	D	E	G

## 2.4 Jumper Layout

Figure 2-15: PXI-3950 Jumper Layout

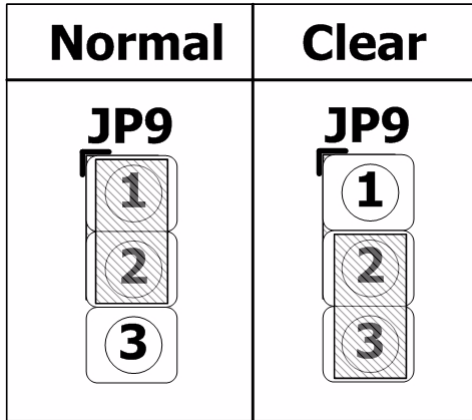




### 2.4.1 Clear CMOS (JP9)

If you encounter an abnormal condition that causes PXI-3950 to halt or fail to boot, clear the CMOS and restore the controller BIOS to its default settings. To clear the CMOS, locate the JP9 jumper on the board and short pin#2 and pin#3. After you have cleared the COMS, restore the jumper by returning to normal mode (short pin#1 and pin#2).

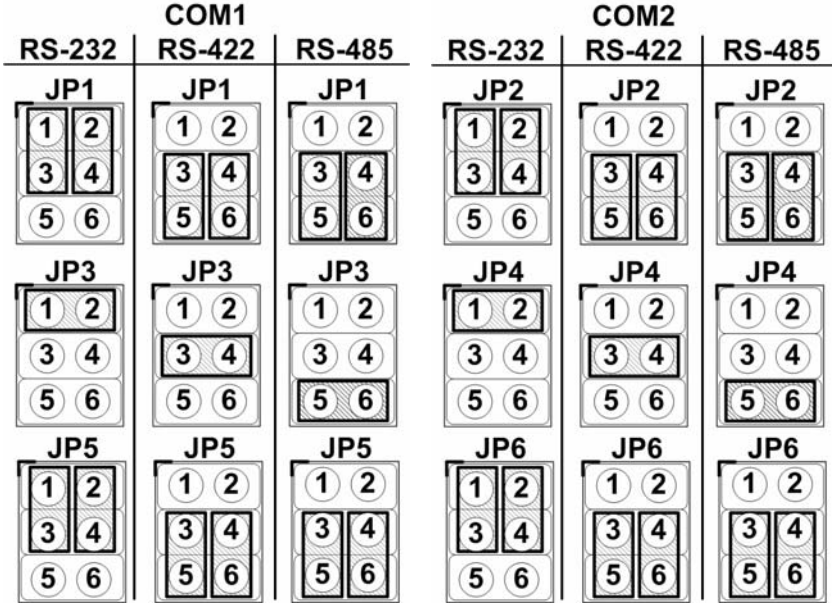
Figure 2-16: JP9 (Clear CMOS) Settings



## 2.4.2 COM1/COM2 Mode Settings (JP1/JP2/JP3/JP4/JP5/JP6)

COM1 and COM2 on PXI-3950 controllers support RS-232, RS-422, and RS-485 specifications. JP1, JP2, JP3, JP4, JP5, and JP6 are used set the operation mode of COM1 and COM2. Please refer to the following table for mode settings.

Figure 2-17: COM1 & COM2 JP1 through JP6 Settings



## 3 Getting Started

This chapter gives the illustration of how to install the PXI-3950 into your PXI system. Additional hardware installation and BIOS setup are also described. Please note that the PXI-3950 is shipped with CPU, RAM and HDD preinstalled. The procedures of installing the operating system and booting from a USB or CF device are also illustrated. Please contact ADLINK or our authorized dealer if you meet any problem during the installation.

### 3.1 Installation Environment

Whenever unpacking and preparing to install any equipment described in this manual, please refer to the ***Important Safety Instructions*** chapter of this manual.

Only install equipment in well lit areas on flat, sturdy surfaces with access to basic tools such as flat and cross head screwdrivers, preferably with magnetic heads as screws and standoffs are small and easily misplaced.

#### Recommended Installation Tools

- ▶ Phillips (cross-head) screwdriver
- ▶ Flat-head screwdriver
- ▶ Anti-static Wrist Strap
- ▶ Anti-static mat

ADLINK PXI-3950 System Controllers are electro-static sensitive equipment that can be easily damaged by static electricity. The equipment must be handled on a grounded anti-static mat. The operator must wear an anti-static wristband, grounded at the same point as the anti-static mat.

Inspect the carton and packaging for damage. Shipping and handling could cause damage to the equipment inside. Make sure that

the equipment and its associated components have no damage before installing.



The equipment must be protected from static discharge and physical shock. Never remove any of the socketed parts except at a static-free workstation. Use the anti-static bag shipped with the product to handle the equipment and wear a grounded wrist strap when servicing.

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### 3.1.1 Compatible Chassis

The PXI-3950 implements rear I/O functions for inter-chassis signal transmissions. Before installing the PXI-3950, please make sure your PXI chassis is compatible with PXI-3950. You can use the following PXI chassis with PXI-3950.

- ▶ ADLINK PXIS-2506
- ▶ ADLINK PXIS-2508
- ▶ ADLINK PXIS-2558T-B (supports rear I/O for PXI-3920/3910/3950)
- ▶ ADLINK PXIS-2630
- ▶ ADLINK PXIS-2670
- ▶ ADLINK PXIS-2700
- ▶ ADLINK PXIS-2719
- ▶ ADLINK PXIS-2690P-B (supports rear I/O for PXI-3920/3910/3950)
- ▶ Any National Instruments<sup>1</sup> PXI chassis



DO NOT install PXI-3950 in the following PXI chassis:  
ADLINK PXIS-2556/2556T  
ADLINK PXIS-2558T-A  
ADLINK PXIS-2650/2650T  
ADLINK PXIS-2680P  
ADLINK PXIS-2690P

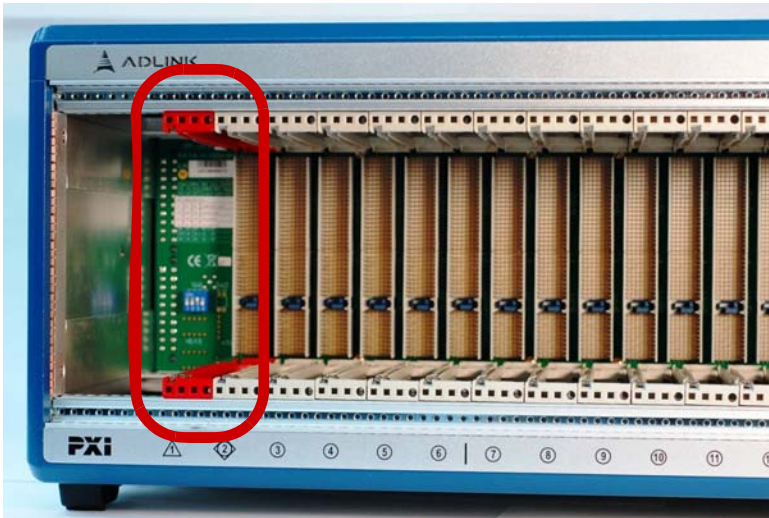
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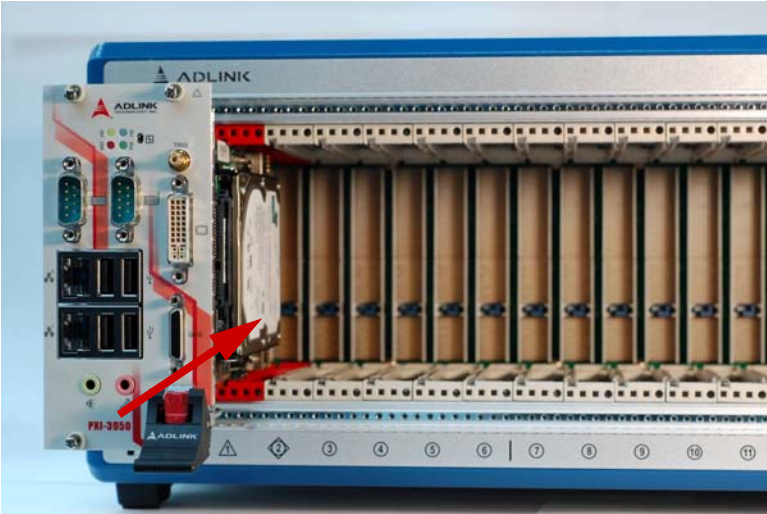
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## 3.2 Installing PXI-3950

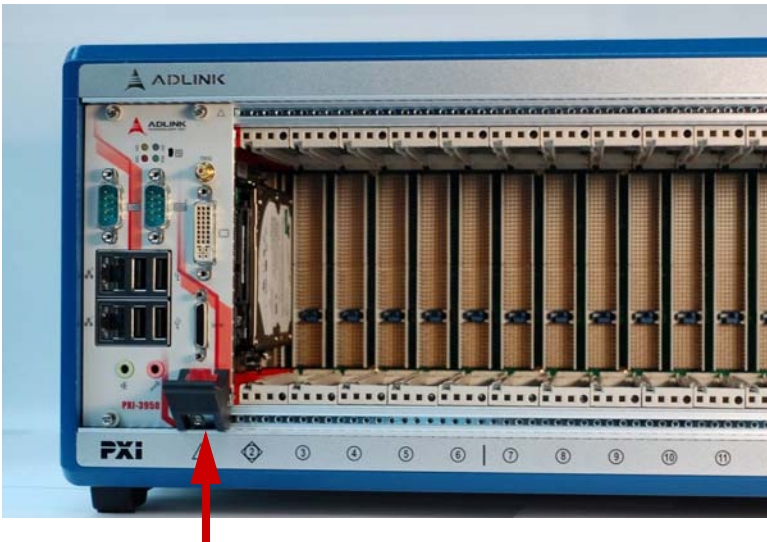
1. Locate the system controller slot (Slot 1)



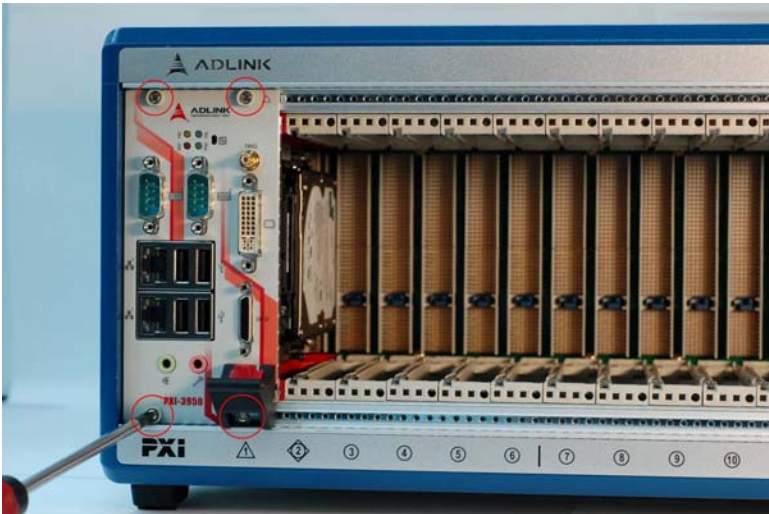
2. Push down (loosen) the ejector/injector handle of the PXI-3950 controller.
3. Align the controller's top and bottom edges to the card guides, then carefully slide the PXI-3950 into the chassis.



4. Pull up the ejector/injector handle until the PXI-3950 is properly connected to the chassis backplane.



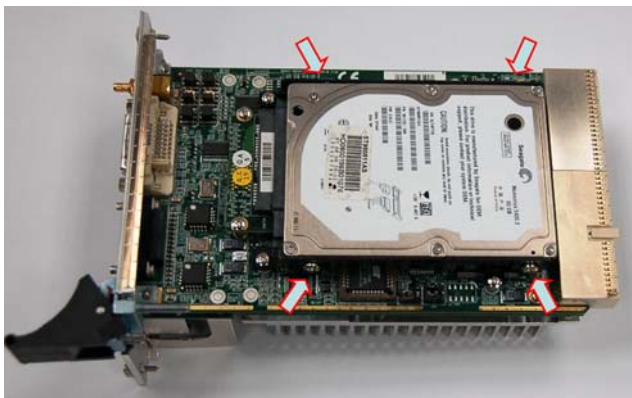
5. Fasten the screws on the faceplate of PXI-3950, and then connect all peripheral devices to the PXI-3950 controller.



### 3.3 Hard Drive Replacement

By default, the PXI-3950 PXI controller is shipped with a 2.5" 120 GB SATA hard drive pre-installed. For users who need to change the SATA hard drive or use a solid state disk (SSD) as the replacement hard drive, please follow the instructions below.

1. The hard drive is located on the back side of the PXI-3950 controller. Locate the four screws that attach the hard drive to the bracket.



2. Loosen the screws.





3. Gently pull out the SATA hard drive. Be careful not to bend or break the SATA Board-to-Board connector.



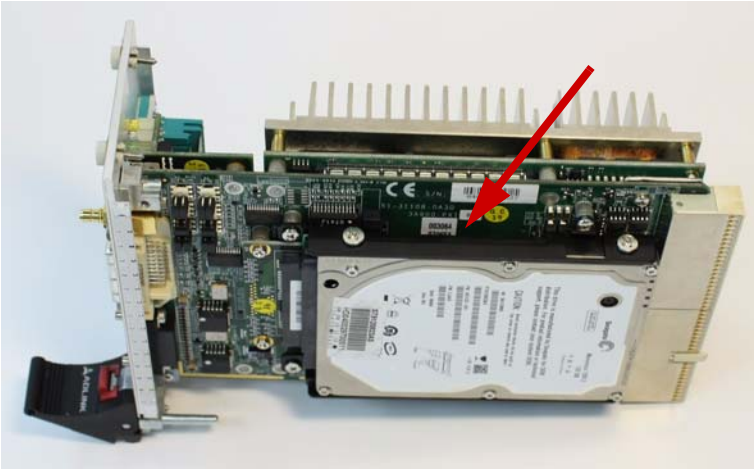
4. To replace the HD with your choice of solid state hard drive or other compatible SATA hard drive, follow the revers steps, and re-install the PXI-3950 to your PXI system.



### 3.4 CompactFlash Card Installation

The PXI-3950 provides a CompactFlash Type II socket to accommodate a CF card as a replacement hard drive. You can also install a SATA hard drive and CF card simultaneously and set the boot device preferences in BIOS (refer to section 3.6 for details). Please follow the instructions below to install the CF card.

1. Locate the CompactFlash socket. The socket is located under the SATA hard drive.



2. Insert the CF card and press down to make sure it is firmly attached in its socket.



### 3.5 BIOS Configuration

The Basic Input/Output System (BIOS) is a program that provides a basic level of communication between the processor and peripherals. In addition, the BIOS also contain code for various advanced features applied to the PXI-3950 controller. The BIOS setup program includes menus for configuring settings and enabling PXI-3950 controller features. Most users do not need to use the BIOS setup program, as the PXI-3950 controller ships with default settings that work well for most configurations.



CAUTION:

Changing BIOS settings may lead to incorrect controller behavior and possibly an unbootable controller. If this happens, follow the instructions in section 2.4.1 to clear CMOS and then restore the default settings. In general, do not change a BIOS setting unless you are absolutely certain of what it does.

## 3.6 Operating System Installation

For more detailed information about the operating system, refer to the documentation provided by the operating system vendor. The preferred/supported operating systems for PXI-3950 are:

- ▶ Windows 2000
- ▶ Windows XP
- ▶ Windows Vista
- ▶ For other OS support, please contact ADLINK

Most operating systems require initial installation on a hard drive, floppy drive, or a CD-ROM drive. The PXI-3950 controller supports USB CD-ROM drive, USB flash disk, USB external hard drive, or a USB floppy drive as the first boot device. Please refer to section 3.8 for information about setting the boot devices. These devices should be configured, installed, and tested with the supplied drivers before attempting to load the new operating system.



Read the release notes and installation documentation provided by the operating system vendor. Be sure to read all the README files or documents provided on the distribution disks, as these typically note documentation discrepancies or compatibility problems.

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Select the appropriate boot device order in the SETUP/BIOS boot menu depending on the OS installation media used. For example, if the OS is distributed with a bootable installation CD, select USB CD-ROM as the first boot device and reboot the system with the installation CD installed in the USB CD-ROM drive.

Proceed with the OS installation as directed and be sure to select appropriate device types if prompted. Refer to the appropriate hardware manuals for specific device types and compatibility modes of ADLINK PXI products.

When installation is complete, reboot the system and set the boot device order in the SETUP boot menu appropriately.

## 3.7 Setting PXI-3950 Boot Devices

The PXI-3950 controller by default boots up from the SATA hard drive. However, you can also set a USB device or a CF card as the boot device in BIOS. Please follow the instructions below to set the boot device of PXI-3950.

### Boot from SATA hard drive

- ▶ Make sure the bootable SATA hard drive is installed in the hard drive bracket.
- ▶ Power on the PXI-3950 and enter BIOS to modify the setting of boot device as following:
  - ▷ [Boot] » [Hard Disk Drives] » [1st Drive]



NOTE:

If there is a CF card installed, you will see 1st Drive and 2nd Drive shown. Please recognize the bootable SATA hard drive according the model name comes after the xth Drive on the screen and set it to 1st Drive.

- 
- ▷ [Boot] » [1st Boot Device] » [SATA:XX]



NOTE:

“SATA:XX” refers to the model name selected in last step.

- 
- ▶ Save the change
  - ▶ Reboot the system

### Boot from on-board CF card

- ▶ Make sure the bootable CF is firmly installed in the CF socket.
  - ▶ Power on the PXI-3950 and enter BIOS to modify the setting of boot device as following:
    - ▷ [Boot] » [Hard Disk Drives] » [1st Drive]
- 



NOTE:

If there is a hard drive installed, you will see 1st Drive and 2nd Drive shown. Please recognize the bootable CF according the model name comes after the xth Drive on the screen and set it to 1st Drive.

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- ▷ [Boot] » [1st Boot Device] » [HDD:XX]
- 



NOTE:

“HDD:XX” refers to the model name selected in last step.

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- ▶ Save the change
- ▶ Reboot the system

## Boot from USB CD-ROM drive

- ▶ Connect the USB CD-ROM drive via a USB port on the faceplate.
- ▶ Put a bootable CD in the USB CD-ROM Drive.
- ▶ Power on the PXI-3950 and enter BIOS to modify the setting of boot device as following:
  - ▷ [Boot] » [USB Drives] » [1st Drive]



If there are multiple USB external devices installed, you will see 1st Drive, 2nd Drive and etc. Please recognize the USB CD-ROM according the model name comes after the xth Drive on the screen and set it to 1st Drive.

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- ▷ [Boot] » [1st Boot Device] » [USB:XX]



“USB:XX” refers to the model name selected in last step.

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- ▶ Save the change
  - ▶ Reboot the system

### Boot from USB Flash disk

- ▶ Connect a bootable USB Flash disk via a USB port on the faceplate.
  - ▶ Power on the PXI-3950 and enter BIOS to modify the setting of boot device as following:
    - ▷ [Boot] » [USB Drives] » [1st Drive]
- 



NOTE:

If there are multiple USB external devices installed, you will see 1st Drive, 2nd Drive and etc. Please recognize the USB Flash disk according the model name comes after the xth Drive on the screen and set it to 1st Drive.

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- ▷ [Boot] » [1st Boot Device] » [USB:XX]
- 



NOTE:

“USB:XX” refers to the model name selected in last step.

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- ▶ Save the change
- ▶ Reboot the system



## Boot from USB external hard drive

- ▶ Connect a bootable USB external hard drive via a USB port on the faceplate.
- ▶ Power on the PXI-3950 and enter BIOS to modify the setting of boot device as following:
  - ▷ [Boot] » [USB Drives] » [1st Drive]



NOTE:

If there are multiple USB external devices installed, you will see 1st Drive, 2nd Drive and etc. Please recognize the USB external hard drive according the model name comes after the xth Drive on the screen and set it to 1st Drive.

- 
- ▷ [Boot] » [1st Boot Device] » [USB:XX]



NOTE:

“USB:XX” refers to the model name selected in last step.

- 
- ▶ Save the change
  - ▶ Reboot the system

### Boot from USB floppy drive

- ▶ Connect the USB floppy drive via a USB port on the face-plate.
- ▶ Put a bootable disk in the USB floppy drive.
- ▶ Power on the PXI-3950 and enter BIOS to modify the setting of boot device as following:
  - ▷ [Boot] » [USB Drives] » [1st Drive]



If there are multiple USB external devices installed, you will see 1st Drive, 2nd Drive and etc. Please recognize the USB floppy drive according the model name comes after the xth Drive on the screen and set it to 1st Drive.

- 
- ▷ [Boot] » [1st Boot Device] » [USB:XX]



“USB:XX” refers to the model name selected in last step.

- 
- ▶ Save the change
  - ▶ Reboot the system

### 3.8 Using the PXI-3950 with a PXI-2558T-B or PXIS-2690P-B Chassis

This section describes the usage of PXI-3950 controllers in PXI-2558T-B and PXIS-2690P-B chassis. These chassis are unique in that they support a built-in LCD display and warrant special BIOS configurations to properly operate the system controller.

The PXI-3950 controller supports a rear I/O option. The rear I/O option is designed to operate with a matching rear transition module which provides internal chassis I/O, including video signals, USB signals, etc. The ADLINK PXI-2558T-B is a 3U 8-slot PXI chassis with built-in 8.4" LCD touch panel, while the PXIS-2690P-B is a 3U 14-slot portable PXI chassis with built-in 15" LCD touch panel. Both of them contain a matching rear transition module for PXI-3950 to support internal signal transmission.

While installing PXI-3950 in the PXIS-2558T-B or the PXIS-2690P-B chassis, please make sure you have correct BIOS setting to turn on the LCD touch panel by the following steps.

1. Press DEL while booting to enter the BIOS setting screen.
2. Use left and right arrow to enter "Chipset".
3. Set the "Boot Display Device" option as "CRT+LVDS".
4. Set the "Flat Panel Type" as following:
  - ▷ For PXIS-2558T-B, select "800x600 18Bit"
  - ▷ For PXIS-2690P-B, select "1024x768 24Bit"
5. Save your setting and exit the BIOS.



NOTE:

Currently PXIS-2558T-B and PXIS-2690P-B are the only PXI chassis with a built-in LCD touch panel which supports PXI-3950 controllers. Please DO NOT install PXI-3950 controllers in other chassis with built-in LCD panel, such as PXIS-2556T, PXIS-2650T, PXIS-2680P, or PXIS-2690P.

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## 4 Driver Installation

After installing the operating system, you need to install all related drivers to make your system work accordingly. In this section, we describe the drivers needed for Windows operating systems and the procedures to install them. For other OS support, please contact ADLINK for further information.



NOTE:

The Windows operating system environment supports a wide array of drivers as it has extended plug and play support. Most standard I/O device drivers are automatically included.

### 4.1 Chipset Drivers

This section describes the procedure to install the chipset driver of PXI-3950. The chipset driver outlines to the operating system how to configure the Intel GME965 chipset components in order to ensure that the following features function properly:

- ▶ Core PCI and ISAPNP Services
- ▶ PCIe Support
- ▶ IDE/ATA33/ATA66/ATA100 Storage Support
- ▶ SATA Storage Support
- ▶ USB Support
- ▶ Identification of Intel Chipset Components in the Device Manager

One of the following operating systems must be fully installed and running on the system before installing this software:

- ▶ Microsoft Windows Server 2003
- ▶ Microsoft Windows Server 2003 x64 Edition\*
- ▶ Microsoft Windows XP Professional x64 Edition\*
- ▶ Microsoft Windows XP
- ▶ Microsoft Windows 2000
- ▶ Microsoft windows Vista

Please follow the following steps to install chipset drivers for PXI-3950.

- ▶ Close any running application.
- ▶ Insert the ADLINK All-in-One CD. The chipset driver is located in the directory:

```
x:\Driver Installation\PXI Platform\PXI  
controller\PXI-3950\Chipset\2000_XP_Vista\,  
where x: denotes the CD-ROM drive.
```

- ▶ Execute Setup.exe and follow on-screen instructions to complete the setup.
- ▶ Reboot your system.

## 4.2 Graphics Driver

The PXI-3950 controller is equipped with Intel GMA X3100 graphic media accelerator integrated in the Intel GME965 Express Chipset. The Intel Graphics Media Accelerator Driver package supports the following operating systems:

- ▶ Windows 2000
- ▶ Windows XP

Please follow the following steps to install graphics drivers for PXI-3950.

- ▶ Close any running application.
- ▶ Insert the ADLINK All-in-One CD. The chipset driver is located in the directory:

```
x:\Driver Installation\PXI Platform\PXI  
controller\PXI-3950\VGA\2000_XP\, where x:  
denotes the CD-ROM drive.
```

- ▶ Execute Setup.exe and follow on-screen instructions to complete the setup.
- ▶ Reboot your system.



NOTE:

If you use PXI-3950 with ADLINK PXIS-2558T-B or PXIS-2690P chassis, please set the graphic output as "Dual Display" mode to enable the LCD touch panel.

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## 4.3 Ethernet Drivers

The PXI-3950 has one GbE port from an Intel ICH8M MAC/ Intel 82566 PHY and one GbE port from a Marvell 88E8053 Gigabit Ethernet controller to provide dual Gigabit Ethernet connectivity.



NOTE:

Drivers for both the Intel and Marvell GbE controllers need to be installed prior to use.

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### 4.3.1 Install the Intel GbE Driver

#### For Windows 2000 Users:

- ▶ After booting the Windows system, there are two unidentified Ethernet controllers listed in the Device Manager.
- ▶ Right-click on the Ethernet controller and select "Update Driver ..."
- ▶ Follow the on-screen instructions to specify the location of driver. The Ethernet driver is located in the directory:

```
x:\Driver Installation\PXI Platform\PXI  
controller\PXI-3950\Ethernet\2000\, where  
x: denotes the CD-ROM drive.
```

- ▶ Repeat step 2 and 3 to install the Ethernet driver for another Ethernet controller.

#### For Windows XP Users:

- ▶ After booting the Windows system, there are two unidentified Ethernet controllers listed in the Device Manager.
- ▶ Right-click on the Ethernet controller and select "Update Driver ..."
- ▶ Follow the on-screen instructions to specify the location of driver. The Ethernet driver is located in the directory:

```
x:\Driver Installation\PXI Platform\PXI  
controller\PXI-3950\Ethernet\XP\, where x:  
denotes the CD-ROM drive.
```

- ▶ Repeat steps 2 and 3 to install the Ethernet driver for other Ethernet controllers.



### 4.3.2 Install the Marvell GbE Driver

Please follow the following steps to install GbE driver for Marvell 88E8053 Gigabit Ethernet controller.

#### For Windows 2000 users:

1. After booting the Windows system, there are two unidentified Ethernet controllers listed in the Device Manager.
2. Right-click on the Ethernet controller and select "Update Driver ..."
3. Follow the on-screen instructions to specify the location of driver. The Ethernet driver is located in the directory:

```
x:\ Driver Installation\PXI Platform\PXI  
controller\PXI-3950\Ethernet\  
Marvell_88E8053\2000\, where x: denotes the  
CD-ROM drive.
```

#### For Windows XP users:

1. After booting the Windows system, there are two unidentified Ethernet controllers listed in the Device Manager.
2. Right-click on the Ethernet controller and select "Update Driver ..."
3. Follow the on-screen instructions to specify the location of driver. The Ethernet driver is located in the directory:

```
x:\ Driver Installation\PXI Platform\PXI  
controller\PXI-3950\Ethernet\  
Marvell_88E8053\XP\, where x: denotes the  
CD-ROM drive.
```

## 4.4 Audio Drivers

This section describes the procedure to install the audio driver of PXI-3950. The PXI-3950 controller supports Intel High Definition audio using Realtek ALC260/262 chip, which provides up to 24-bit, 192 Kbps high quality audio input/output. Please follow the following steps to install audio driver for PXI-3950.

1. Close any running application.
2. The audio driver is located in the directory:

```
x:\Driver Installation\PXI Platform\PXI  
controller\PXI-3950\Audio\2000_XP_Vista\  
where x: denotes the CD-ROM drive.
```

3. Execute Setup.exe and follow on-screen instructions to complete the setup.
4. Reboot your system.

## 4.5 GPIB Driver

The PXI-3950 controller features the on-board GPIB controller to provide connectivity between PXI and GPIB instruments. To use the GPIB controller, you need to install the ADLINK GPIB driver package for Windows 2000/XP/Vista. The driver package also contains function libraries and a utility to interact with GPIB instruments. Please follow the following steps to install GPIB drivers for PXI-3950.

- ▶ Close any running application.
- ▶ Insert the ADLINK All-in-One CD. The GPIB driver is located in the directory:

```
x:\Driver Installation\PXI Platform\PXI  
controller\PXI-3950\GPIB\2000_XP_Vista\  
where x: denotes the CD-ROM drive.
```

- ▶ Execute Setup.exe and follow on-screen instructions to complete the setup.
- ▶ Reboot your system.

## 4.6 PXI Trigger Driver

The PXI-3950 controller provides a trigger I/O on the faceplate to route trigger signals to/from the PXI trigger bus. You need to install the trigger I/O driver to control the trigger route. Please follow the following steps to install PXI Trigger drivers for PXI-3950 (for information on programming the PXI Trigger, please refer to Appendix A).

- ▶ Close any running application.
- ▶ Insert the ADLINK All-in-One CD. The PXI trigger driver is located in the directory:

```
x:\Driver Installation\PXI Platform\PXI  
controller\PXI-  
3950\PXI_Trigger\2000_XP_Vista\, where x:  
denotes the CD-ROM drive.
```

- ▶ Execute Setup.exe and follow on-screen instructions to complete the setup.
- ▶ Reboot your system.

## 4.7 WDT Driver

WDT (watchdog timer) is a hardware mechanism to reset the system when the operating system or application is halted. A typical usage of WDT is to start the timers and periodically reset the timer, and when timer is expired, the system resets. You need to install the WDT driver to program the WDT. Please follow the following steps to install GPIB driver for PXI-3950 (for information on programming the watchdog timer, please refer to Appendix B).

- ▶ Close any running application.
- ▶ Insert the ADLINK All-in-One CD. The PXI trigger driver is located in the directory:

```
x:\Driver Installation\PXI Platform\PXI  
controller\PXI-3950\WDT\2000_XP_Vista\  
where x: denotes the CD-ROM drive.
```

- ▶ Execute Setup.exe and follow on-screen instructions to complete the setup.
- ▶ Reboot your system.

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# Appendix A: PXI Trigger I/O Function Reference

This appendix describes the usage of the PXI trigger I/O function library for PXI-3950 controllers. Users can use the function library to program the routing of the trigger signal between the trigger I/O SMB connector on the faceplate and the PXI trigger bus on the backplane.

## A.1 Data Types

We define several data types for PXI trigger I/O functions. The defined data types can be found in `pxitrigio.h` in the directory `X:\ADLINK\PXI Trigger IO\Include\` after running the `setup.exe` file (where X is the drive you install the trigger I/O driver). These data types are used by the PXI trigger I/O function Library. It is recommended that you use these data types in your application programs. The following table lists the data type names, their ranges, and the corresponding data types in C/C++, Visual Basic and Delphi.

Type	Description	Range	Type in programming language		
			C/C++	VB	Delphi
U8	8-bit ASCII character	0 to 255	unsigned char	Byte	Byte
I16	16-bit signed integer	-32768 to 32767	short	Integer	SmallInt
U16	16-bit unsigned integer	0 to 65535	unsigned short	Not supported in VB, use Integer instead	Word
I32	32-bit signed integer	-2147483648 to 2147483647	long	Long	LongInt
U32	32-bit unsigned integer	0 to 4294967295	unsigned long	Not supported in VB, use Long instead	Cardinal
F32	32-bit single-precision floating-point	3.402823E38 to 3.402823E38	float	Single	Single
F64	64-bit double-precision floating-point	1.797683134862315E308 to 1.797683134862315E309	double	Double	Double

## A.2 Function

### TRIG\_Init

#### @ Description

Initializes the trigger I/O function of the PXI-3950 controller. TRIG\_Init must be called before the invocation of any other trigger I/O function. TRIG\_Init does not reset the current trigger routing.

#### @ Supported controllers

PXI-3950, PXI-3920, PXI-3910, PXI-3800

#### @ Syntax

C/C++

```
I16 TRIG_Init()
```

Visual Basic

```
TRIG_Init As Integer
```

#### @ Parameters

None

#### @ Return Codes

```
ERR_NoError  
ERR_BoardBusy  
ERR_OpenDriverFail  
ERR_GetGPIOAddress
```

## TRIG\_Close

### @ Description

Closes the trigger I/O function of PXI-3950 controller. This function releases the resources allocated for the trigger I/O function. Users must invoke TRIG\_Close before exiting the application.

### @ Supported controllers

PXI-3950, PXI-3920, PXI-3910, PXI-3800

### @ Syntax

C/C++

```
I16 TRIG_Close()
```

Visual Basic

```
TRIG_Close() As Integer
```

### @ Parameters

None

### @ Return Codes

```
ERR_NoError  
ERR_BoardNoInit
```

## TRIG\_SetSoftTrg

### @ Description

Generates a TTL trigger signal to the trigger I/O SMB connector on the faceplate or the PXI trigger bus on the backplane via software command.

### @ Supported controllers

PXI-3950, PXI-3920, PXI-3910, PXI-3800

### @ Syntax

C/C++

```
I16 TRIG_SetSoftTrg(U8 Status)
```

Visual Basic

```
TRIG_SetSoftTrg (ByVal status As Byte) As Integer
```

### @ Parameters

Status

### Trigger Signal Logic Level

Available value	Description
0	Logic low
1	Logic high

### @ Return Codes

```
ERR_NoError  
ERR_BoardNoInit
```



## TRIG\_Trigger\_Route

### @ Description

Routes the trigger signal between the trigger I/O SMB connector on the faceplate and the PXI trigger bus on the backplane. This function also allows routing the software-generated trigger signal to SMB connector or trigger bus.

### @ Supported controllers

PXI-3950, PXI-3920, PXI-3910, PXI-3800

### @ Syntax

C/C++

```
I16 TRIG_Trigger_Route (U32 source, U32 dest, U32
    halfway)
```

### Visual Basic

```
TRIG_Trigger_Route (ByVal source As Long, ByVal
    dest As Long, ByVal halfway As Long) As
    Integer
```

### @ Parameters

source

### Source Trigger Routing

Available value	Description
PXI_TRIG_VAL_SMB	SMB connector on the faceplate
PXI_TRIG_VAL_SOFT	Software-generated trigger signal
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG0	PXI trigger bus #0
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG1	PXI trigger bus #1
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG2	PXI trigger bus #2
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG3	PXI trigger bus #3
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG4	PXI trigger bus #4
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG5	PXI trigger bus #5
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG6	PXI trigger bus #6
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG7	PXI trigger bus #7

dest

### Destination Trigger Routing.

Available value	Description
PXI_TRIG_VAL_SMB	SMB connector on the faceplate
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG0	PXI trigger bus #0
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG1	PXI trigger bus #1
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG2	PXI trigger bus #2
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG3	PXI trigger bus #3
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG4	PXI trigger bus #4
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG5	PXI trigger bus #5
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG6	PXI trigger bus #6
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG7	PXI trigger bus #7

halfway

Halfway Point Trigger Routing. This parameter is used only when users want to route the software-generated trigger signal to the SMB connector on the faceplate. In this case, users should set the halfway as one of the trigger bus lines. Otherwise set the halfway as `PXI_TRIG_VAL_NONE`.

Available value	Description
PXI_TRIG_VAL_NONE	No halfway point
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG0	PXI trigger bus #0
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG1	PXI trigger bus #1
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG2	PXI trigger bus #2
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG3	PXI trigger bus #3
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG4	PXI trigger bus #4
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG5	PXI trigger bus #5
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG6	PXI trigger bus #6
PXI_TRIG_VAL_TRIG7	PXI trigger bus #7

### @ Return Codes

`ERR_NoError`  
`ERR_BoardNoInit`  
`ERR_Set_Path`

## **TRIG\_Trigger\_Clear**

### **@ Description**

Clears the trigger routing settings.

### **@ Supported controllers**

PXI-3950, PXI-3920, PXI-3910, PXI-3800

### **@ Syntax**

C/C++

```
I16 TRIG_Trigger_Clear()
```

Visual Basic

```
TRIG_Trigger_Clear() As Integer
```

### **@ Parameters**

None

### **@ Return Codes**

```
ERR_NoError  
ERR_BoardNoInit  
ERR_Trigger_Clr
```

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## Appendix B: Watchdog Timer Function Reference

This appendix describes the usage of the watchdog timer (WDT) function library for the PXI-3950 controller. Watchdog timer is a hardware mechanism to reset the system in case the operating system or an application halts. After starting watchdog timer, you need to periodically reset the watchdog timer in the application before the timer expires. Once watchdog timer expires, a hardware-generated signal is sent to reset the system.

## B.1 Function

### InitWDT

#### @ Description

Initializes the watchdog timer function of PXI-3950 controllers. InitWDT must be called before the invocation of any other WDT function.

#### @ Supported controllers

PXI-3950, PXI-3920, PXI-3910

#### @ Syntax

##### C/C++

```
BOOL InitWDT()
```

##### Visual Basic

```
InitWDT() As Boolean
```

#### @ Parameters

None

#### @ Return Codes

TRUE if watchdog timer is successfully initialized.

FALSE if watchdog timer is failed to initialize.

## SetWDT

### @ Description

Sets the timeout value of watchdog timer. The timeout value should be given in seconds. Users should call ResetWDT or StopWDT before the expiration of the watchdog timer, or the system will be reset.

### @ Supported controllers

PXI-3950, PXI-3920, PXI-3910

### @ Syntax

C/C++

```
BOOL SetWDT(unsigned long second)
```

### Visual Basic

```
InitWDT(ByVal second as Long) As Boolean
```

### @ Parameters

*second*

Specifies the timeout value of the watchdog timer.

Value	Description
0 to 255	If the value of <i>second</i> parameter is between 0 to 255, the resolution of watchdog timer is 1 second.
> 255	If the value of <i>second</i> parameter is larger than 255, the resolution of watchdog timer is 1 minute. That is, if users give a value of 400, the actual timeout value is $400/60 + 1 = 7$ minutes.

### @ Return Codes

TRUE if timeout value of watchdog timer is successfully set.

FALSE if timeout value of watchdog timer is failed to set.

## StartWDT

### @ Description

Starts the watchdog timer function. Once the StartWDT is invoked, the watchdog timer countdown starts. Users should call ResetWDT or StopWDT before the expiration of the watchdog timer, or the system will be reset.

### @ Supported Controllers

PXI-3950, PXI-3920, PXI-3910

### @ Syntax

#### C/C++

```
BOOL StartWDT()
```

#### Visual Basic

```
StartWDT() As Boolean
```

### @ Parameters

None

### @ Return Codes

```
TRUE if watchdog timer is successfully started.  
FALSE if watchdog timer is failed to start.
```



## ResetWDT

### @ Description

Resets the watchdog timer. The invocation of `ResetWDT` allows users to restore the watchdog timer to the initial timeout value specified in the `SetWDT` function. Users should call `ResetWDT` or `StopWDT` before the expiration of the watchdog timer, or the system will be reset.

### @ Supported Controllers

PXI-3950, PXI-3920, PXI-3910

### @ Syntax

C/C++

```
BOOL ResetWDT()
```

### Visual Basic

```
ResetWDT() As Boolean
```

### @ Parameters

None

### @ Return Codes

```
TRUE if watchdog timer is successfully reset.  
FALSE if watchdog timer is failed to reset.
```

## StopWDT

### @ Description

Stops the watchdog timer.

### @ Supported Controllers

PXI-3950, PXI-3920, PXI-3910

### @ Syntax

#### C/C++

```
BOOL StopWDT()
```

#### Visual Basic

```
StopWDT() As Boolean
```

### @ Parameters

None

### @ Return Codes

```
TRUE if watchdog timer is successfully stopped.  
FALSE if watchdog timer is failed to stop.
```

## Important Safety Instructions

For user safety, please read and follow all **instructions**, **WARNINGS**, **CAUTIONS**, and **NOTES** marked in this manual and on the associated equipment before handling/operating the equipment.

- ▶ Read these safety instructions carefully.
- ▶ Keep this user's manual for future reference.
- ▶ Read the specifications section of this manual for detailed information on the operating environment of this equipment.
- ▶ When installing/mounting or uninstalling/removing equipment:
  - ▷ Turn off power and unplug any power cords/cables.
- ▶ To avoid electrical shock and/or damage to equipment:
  - ▷ Keep equipment away from water or liquid sources;
  - ▷ Keep equipment away from high heat or high humidity;
  - ▷ Keep equipment properly ventilated (do not block or cover ventilation openings);
  - ▷ Make sure to use recommended voltage and power source settings;
  - ▷ Always install and operate equipment near an easily accessible electrical socket-outlet;
  - ▷ Secure the power cord (do not place any object on/over the power cord);
  - ▷ Only install/attach and operate equipment on stable surfaces and/or recommended mountings; and,
  - ▷ If the equipment will not be used for long periods of time, turn off and unplug the equipment from its power source.

- ▶ Never attempt to fix the equipment. Equipment should only be serviced by qualified personnel.
- ▶ A Lithium-type battery may be provided for uninterrupted, backup or emergency power.



***RISK OF EXPLOSION IF BATTERY IS REPLACED BY AN INCORRECT TYPE. DISPOSE OF USED BATTERIES ACCORDING TO THEIR INSTRUCTIONS.***

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- ▶ Equipment must be serviced by authorized technicians when:
    - ▷ The power cord or plug is damaged;
    - ▷ Liquid has penetrated the equipment;
    - ▷ It has been exposed to high humidity/moisture;
    - ▷ It is not functioning or does not function according to the user's manual;
    - ▷ It has been dropped and/or damaged; and/or,
    - ▷ It has an obvious sign of breakage.