

# ***GTDIO***

## **GT-DIO Product Family**

### ***GX5290/GX5290e***

#### ***Dynamically Controlled High Speed Digital I/O PXI/PXIe Cards User's Guide***

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# Chapter 1 - Introduction

## About This User Guide

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This User Guide provides information needed to install, configure, program and use Marvin Test Solutions' GX5290/GX5290e digital I/O (DIO) boards. Supporting boards such as I/O modules, accessories and software are discussed in related User Guides.

### Required User Knowledge and Skills

This User Guide assumes a general knowledge of PC-based computers and some knowledge of electronics.

### Scope and Organization

The User Guide is organized as follows:

Chapter	Content
Chapter 1	<b>Introduction</b> – Introduces this User Guide.
Chapter 2	<b>Overview</b> – Summarizes DIO GX5290/GX5290e family, board features, architecture, hardware and driver.
Chapter 3	<b>Installation and Setup</b> – Furnishes step-by-step directions for installing and setting up the software and hardware.
Chapter 4	<b>Theory of Operation</b> – Provides a functional hardware description.
Appendix A	<b>Connectors</b> – Supplies connector definitions and pin assignments.
Appendix B	<b>Specifications</b> – Provides a summary of the GX5290/GX5290e specifications.
Index	Provides a roadmap to important topics and concepts in this manual.

### Related Documents

The following documents contain related information and are considered an integral part of this User Guide:

- DIO Software User Guide – Information about Panel and the *DIOEasy* Windows application and introduction to programming the board.
- DIO Programming Reference – Reference information about the DIO Driver library functions (API) and the DIO script objects.

## Style Conventions

Example	Description
Copy or Paste	Commands are indicated in bold type.
Shift+F1	Keys are often used in combination. The example to the left instructs the user to hold down the shift key while pressing the F1 key at the same time. When key combination instructions are separated by commas (such as ALT+D, A), hold the ALT key while pressing D, then press A.
Direction Keys	Refer to the up arrow (↑), down arrow (↓), right arrow (→), and left arrow (←) keys.
cd <b>bold</b>	Bolded text must be entered from the keyboard exactly as shown.
cd <i>directory name</i>	Italicized text is a placeholder for variables or other items the user must define and enter from the keyboard.
examples	Examples and source code are indicated in Courier, a fixed pitch font.
0x <i>hexnumber</i>	An integer in hexadecimal notation, for example, 0x10A equals 266 in decimal.

## Definitions

The following table defines terms commonly used in this document:

Term	Definition
DIO	Digital input/output (I/O).
DIO board	Generically, any of Marvin Test Solutions' digital input/output circuit boards in any board family. The context could restrict it to the GX5290/GX5290e family.
Domain	A digital sub-system based on GX5290/GX5290e Master & Slave boards, including associated cables and software.
Master board	Refers specifically to the GX5290/GX5290e DIO circuit board when used as a Master.
Slave or board	Refers specifically to the GX5290/GX5290e DIO circuit board when used as a Slave.
I/O User Guide	<i>The DIO I/O Modules and Interface User Guide</i>
Step	One event or state in a sequence of test intervals. DIO boards run through a programmed sequence of steps.
Software User Guide (or variants)	<i>The DIO Software User Guide and Programming Reference</i> provided with GX5290/GX5290e DIO boards.
Vector or Test vector	A sequence of stimuli applied to the pins of a unit under test.
VHD connector	Very High Density. Used to describe a SCSI 3 type connector with very small pin spacing.

## Chapter 2 - Overview

### Introduction

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The GX5290/GX5290e Series are high performance, cost-effective 3U PXI dynamic digital I/O boards with 32 TTL I/O channels and 32 LVDS I/O channels (GX5291, GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293) with dynamic direction control. The GX5290e is the PXI Express bus version of the GX5290 and has the ability to transfer large amounts of data at high rates to and from the card. The GX5290/GX5290e Series offers an industry leading 256MB (GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293) of on-board memory and supports test rates up to 200 MHz (GX5293 only). The single board design supports both master and slave functionality without the use of add-on modules. Output channel data is present on both LVDS (GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293) and TTL Standard level I/O connectors. If the specified channel is in input mode, the user can select (via software) which input interface to activate, i.e. LVDS or TTL level (either 3.3V, 2.5V, 1.8V or 1.5V). The GX5290 Series utilizes the PXI Local Bus to distribute signals across a domain. The GX5290e Series utilize the PXI backplane Trigger Bus lines to distribute signals across a domain (which are user defined). Up to 16 cards can be used within one domain, supporting 512 channels. Note: the GX5291 only supports 32 TTL I/O channels. Operation with multiple cards is not supported for this module.

All GX5290 cards offer programmable I/O width - trading vector width for vector depth. The GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293 vector memory can be configured to support channel widths of 32, 16, 8, 4, 2 and 1 (single channel) with corresponding vector depths of 64M steps, 128M steps, 256M steps, 512M steps, 1G steps and 2G steps for the GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293. The GX5291 vector memory can be configured to support channel widths of 32, 16, 8, 4, 2 and 1 (single channel) with corresponding vector depths of 32M steps 64M steps, 128M steps, 256M steps, 512M steps and 1G steps.

All GX5290 cards support vector memory with dynamic per pin and per step direction control. Separate memories are provided for output data, response data (input) and direction control. The separate response data memory supports the recording of activity on the UUT pins independent of the bi-direction control.. Additionally, the GX5290 cards can be configured to support real-time digital compare, eliminating the need to capture and analyze acquired data.

The GX5290/GX5290e provides programmable TTL/LVTTL output clocks and strobes, and supports the use of external clocks and strobes. A programmable PLL (phase locked loop) provides programmable clock frequencies and delays. An LVDS output clock is also provided. The GX5290/GX5290e's sequencer can halt or pause on a defined address or loop through the entire memory as well as loop on a defined address range or through a defined block of memory.

The GX5293 can operate at vector rates up to 200MHz and support an I/O channel count of 16, 8, 4, 2 and 1. For frequencies of up to 100MHz, the card supports an I/O channel count of 32, 16, 8, 4, 2 and 1.

The DIO family uses common software development tools to develop test vector files. The test vector files contain digital patterns for driving data to the UUT( unit under test) and/or analyzing data from the UUT. The tools are also used to setup and control the digital card.

Using *DIOEasy* or DIO driver functions, the development of vector files can be done without using the actual hardware. Vector file verification requires the DIO be installed and properly configured.

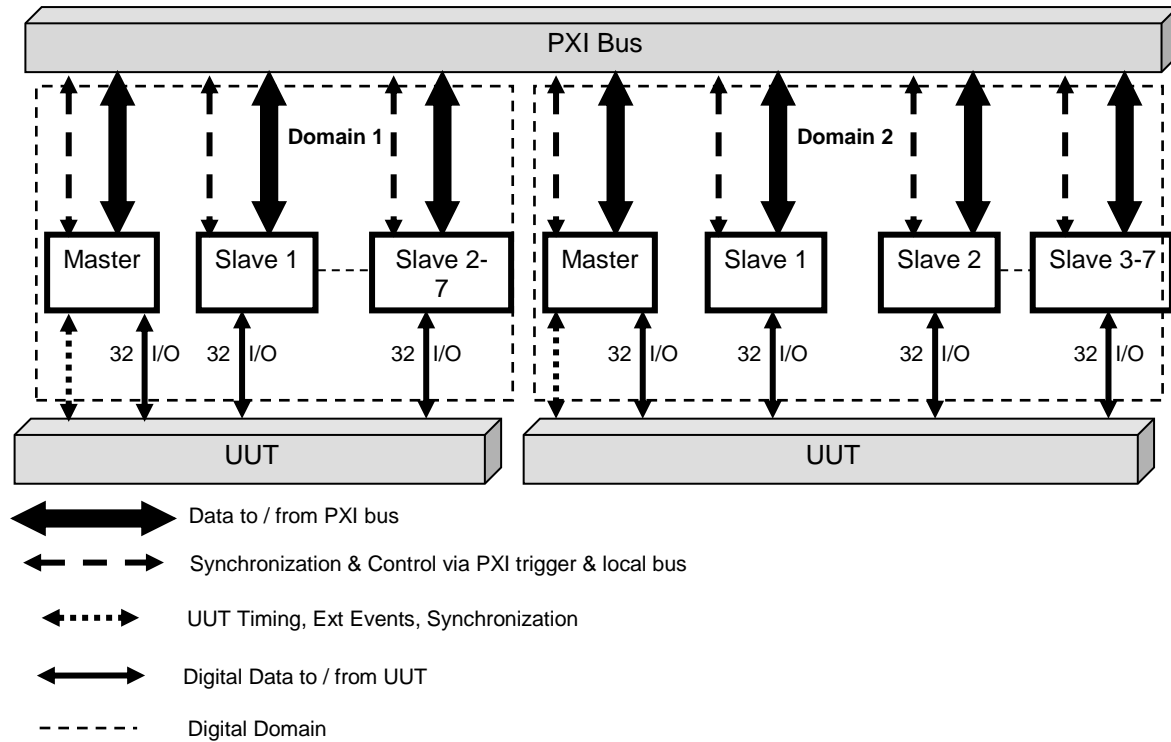
Marvin Test Solutions bundles *DIOEasy* with all DIO products. *DIOEasy*, Marvin Test Solutions' vector development and analysis software, allows manual control of the DIO hardware using the built-in DIO Virtual Instrument Panel. The DIO driver permits control of the DIO family from common software development tools such as Marvin Test Solutions' *ATEasy*, Microsoft Visual Basic, Microsoft Visual C++, Borland C++, Borland Delphi and more.

*DIOEasy*, a Windows application used to develop digital vectors and does not require any programming experience or knowledge to operate.

## Computer Bus Interface

The DIO Driver accesses Master, Slave boards through the computer's bus (see Figure 2-1). The driver can accommodate up to 16 masters and each master can have up to 15 DIO slave boards. Each PXI board uses a physical slot number which is then used by the driver. Master and Slave numbers are set through selector switches located on the front.

## DIO Domains



**Figure 2-1: Two Different DIO Domains on One PC Bus**

Domains are internally synchronized and controlled via the PXI local bus. To synchronize a domain with a UUT, you need to synchronize the Master board's Timing signals using the Master's Timing connector.

A full domain containing sixteen DIO boards provides up to 512 UUT I/O channels (512 channels *wide*). Because the driver supports 16 masters, up to 16 domains of mixed types can, in principle, be supported in a PXI system. The number of master/slaves depends on the number of available free PXI slots in your system.

## Architecture and Features

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The following are key characteristics and features of the architecture:

- The GX5290/GX5290e is a **Plug and Play (PnP)** board. The operating system (Windows 98, Me, Windows 2000, XP or VISTA) automatically identifies and arbitrates resource requirements, notifies the user that a new board has been found and automatically installs the driver for it.
- A DIO domain operates independently of the host computer when in RUN mode.
- Each GX5290/GX5290e DIO board supports a maximum clock frequency of up to 200MHz (GX5293) per channel for all channels.
- A GX5290/GX5290e (Master) board controls the timing of its domain and can be synchronized to a UUT.
- Any GX5290/GX5290e board can be configured to be a Master or Slave, depending on the on-board switch settings (can only be done when the system is shutdown)
- Multiple Master boards are used to synchronize mutually asynchronous UUT elements.
- Each GX5290/GX5290e Slave board adds 32 UUT channels. Up to 15 Slave boards can be added to make a total of 512-channel domain.
- Each channel can be enabled or disabled on a per vector basis. Disabled output channels will be in a tri-state mode – facilitating the testing or emulation of bi-directional busses.
- Each Master has a 16-bit external event bus. This bus is used for triggering and synchronizing with external events.
- Multiple trigger sources are available: Programmed PXI Trigger line, Star Trigger, External Trigger, Internal trigger (software) or event driven trigger (generated by external events). All trigger sources can work in tandem.
- An event driven trigger can be generated by external events on the Timing Connector's External Event lines. Event and Mask registers are used to determine both the triggering event and the bits to be ignored or masked. These functions use the D Event and D Mask registers and the T Event and T Mask registers.
- External triggering can be initiated on sequential or concurrent events by using both D and T event registers to define events.
- Multiple pause sources are available: Programmed PXI Trigger line, External Pause, Internal pause (software) or event driven pause (generated by external events). All pause sources can work in tandem.
- The test sequence (vector) can be paused on external events unconditionally or conditionally. The P Event and P Mask registers define the condition and bits that generate a conditional pause.
- An X Register is used to emulate an External Event condition under program control for purposes of test program verification. The register is loaded through the computer bus.
- A DIO domain can be setup to use an internal or external clock, in order to synchronize with the user UUT.
- The DIO domain clock source (internal or external), when active, can be programmatically delayed by 0-27 nSec (increments of 0.25 nSec).
- DIO domain Strobe source (internal or external) which clocks input data can be programmatically delayed by 0-27 nSec (increments of 0.25 nSec).
- All GX5290/GX5290e Firmware can be upgraded through the DIO's In-System- Programming (ISP) facility.
- Channel direction can be programmed on a per pin and per step basis at test rates up to 200MHz (GX5293/GX5293e).
- Programmable voltage levels (applied for all 32 channels) are supported for TTL logic families. via the TTL interface connector.

- Dual Data I/O interface connectors are provided, supporting LVDS (GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293) and TTL logic families (3.3V, 2.5V, 1.8V or 1.5V). TTL logic is only supported by the GX5291.
- User programmable PXI Star Trigger input supports Trigger and/or Pause functionality.
- The GX5290/GX5290e sequencer can halt or pause on a defined address, loop through the entire memory, or loop on a defined address or defined block of memory.
- All on-board memories are cleared (set low) whenever recycling power.

### Complete View of a GX5292 board



Figure 2-2 GX5292: Complete View

View of a GX5292e board

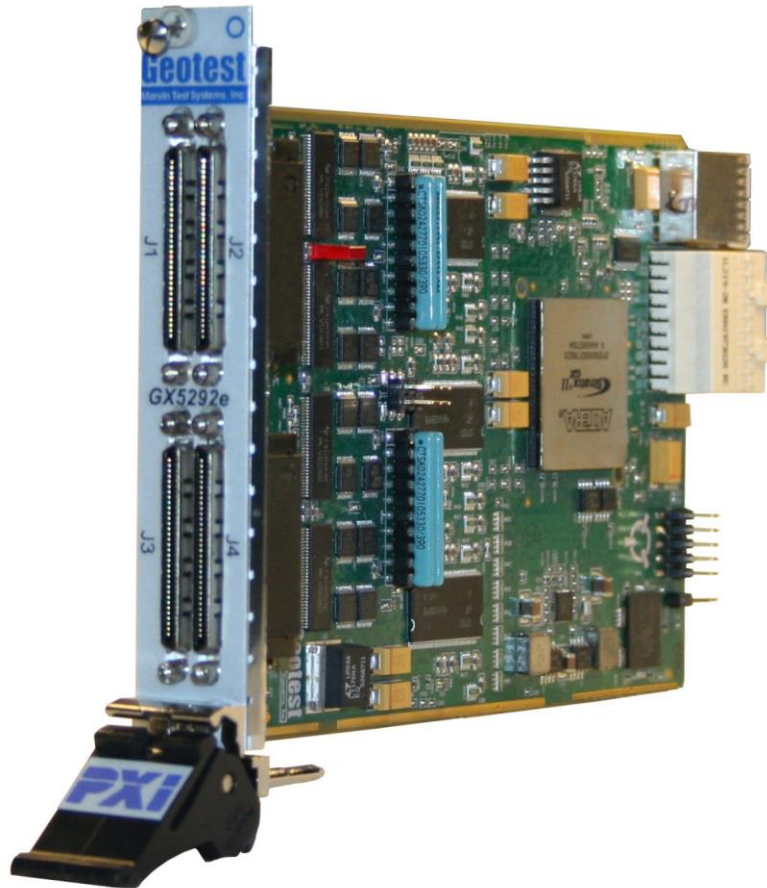


Figure 2-3: GX5292e board

## Models and Accessories

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The following GX5290 models are available:

- **GX5291-100** – 100 MHz Digital I/O Board with 128 MB of vector memory.
- **GX5291** – 50 – 50 MHz Digital I/O Board with 128 MB of vector memory
- **GX5292** – 100 MHz Digital I/O Board with 256 MB of vector memory and LVDS levels.
- **GX5293** – 200 MHz Digital I/O Board with 256 MB of vector memory and LVDS levels.

The following GX5290e models are available:

- **GX5292e** – 100 MHz PXI Express Digital I/O Board with 256 MB of vector memory and LVDS levels.

The following GX5290/GX5290e accessories are available:

- **GT95014** – Connector interface, SCSI to 100 Mil Grid, Single Ended I/F Board
- **GT95015** – Connector interface, SCSI to 100 Mil Grid, Differential I/F Board
- **GT95021** – 2' shielded cable (68-pin SCSI)
- **GT95022** – 3' Shielded cable (68-pin SCSI)
- **GT95028** – 10' Shielded cable (68-pin SCSI)
- **GT95031** - 6' Shielded cable (68-pin SCSI)



## Chapter 3 - Installation and Setup

### Getting Started

This section includes general hardware installation procedures for the GX5290/GX5290e board and installation instructions for the GTDIO software. Before proceeding, please refer to the appropriate chapter to become familiar with the board being installed.

To Find Information on...	Refer to...
GTDIO Software Installation	<b>This Chapter</b>
Hardware/Board Installation	<b>This Chapter</b>
Using the GTDIO Panel	<b>This chapter and the DIO Software User's Guide</b>
Using DIOEasy	<b>DIO Software User's Guide</b>
Programming the Board	<b>DIO Software User's Guide and the DIO Programmer's Reference manuals</b>

### Packing List

Check the package against the packing list and your purchase order and make certain all purchased items are included. A DIO board package includes required items and may include options and accessories listed below:

Part Name/Description	Part Function	Part Number
DIO board	Digital input/output and domain timing and control.	GX5290/GX5290e
GTDIO software installation file (GTDIO.exe)	Installation of software driver, DIOEasy, examples on-line help and documentations (in PDF format) files.	N/A
Connector Interface for GX5290/GX5290e, SCSI to 100 Mil Grid, Single Ended	UUT I/O Interface	GT95014
Connector Interface for GX5290/GX5290e, SCSI to 100 Mil Grid, Differential	UUT I/O Interface	GT95015
2' shielded cable for GX5290/GX5290e (68 Pin)	UUT I/O Cable	GT95021
3' shielded cable for GX5290/GX5290e (68 Pin)	UUT I/O Cable	GT95022
6' shielded cable for GX5290/GX5290e (68 Pin)	UUT I/O Cable	GT95031
10' shielded cable for GX5290/GX5290e (68 Pin)	UUT I/O Cable	GT95028

## Unpacking and Inspection

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After removing the board from the shipping carton:



**Caution** - Static sensitive devices are present. Ground yourself to discharge static.

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1. Remove the board from the static bag by handling only the metal portions.
2. Be sure to check the contents of the shipping carton to verify that all of the items found in it match the packing list.
3. Inspect the board for possible damage. If there is any sign of damage, return the board to Marvin Test Solutions immediately. Please refer to the warranty information at the beginning of the manual.
4. Return the board to its anti-static bag until ready for installation and setup.

### System Requirements

All GX5290/GX5290e instrument boards are designed for use with a 3U or 6U PXI or PXIe compatible chassis. The software is compatible with any computer system running Windows 98, Windows Me, Windows 2000, Windows XP, Windows VISTA (32 bit) operating systems.

Each board requires one unoccupied 3U PXI bus slot or PXI Express / Hybrid slot (GX5292e).

## Installation of the GTDIO Software

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Before installing the board it is recommended to install the software as described in this section:

1. Insert the Marvin Test Solutions CD-ROM and locate the **GTDIO.EXE** setup program. If your computer's Auto Run is configured, when inserting the CD a browser will show several options, select the Marvin Test Solutions Files option, then locate the setup file. If Auto Run is not configured you can open the Windows explorer and locate the setup files (usually located under \Files\Setup folder). You can also download the file from Marvin Test Solutions web site ([www.MarvinTest.com](http://www.MarvinTest.com)).
2. Run the setup and follow the instruction on the Setup screen to install the software.

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**Note:** When installing under Windows 2000/XP/VISTA, you may be required to restart the setup after logging-in as a user with an Administrator privileges. This is required in-order to upgrade your system with newer Windows components and to install kernel-mode device drivers (HW.SYS and HWDEVICE.SYS) required by the GTDIO driver to access resources on your board.

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3. The first setup screen to appear is the Welcome screen. Click **Next** to continue.
4. Enter the folder where software is to be installed. Either click **Browse** to set up a new folder, or click **Next** to accept the default entry of C:\Program Files\MarvinTestSolutions\GTDIO.
5. Select the type of Setup you wish and click **Next**. You can choose between **Typical**, **Run-Time** and **Custom** setups. **Typical** setup type installs all files. **Run-Time** setup type will install only the files required for controlling the board either from its driver or from its virtual panel. **Custom** setup type lets you select from the available components.

The program will now start its installation. During the installation, Setup may upgrade some of the Windows shared components and files. The Setup may ask you to reboot after it complete if some of the components it replaced were used by another application during the installation – do so before attempting to use the software.

You can now continue with the installation to install the board. After the board installation is complete you can test your installation by starting a panel program that let you control the board interactively. The panel program can be started by selecting it from the Start, Programs, GTDIO menu located in the Windows Taskbar.

## Overview of the GTDIO Software

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Once the software installed, the following tools and software components are available:

- **PXI/PCI Explorer applet** – use to configure the PXI chassis, controllers and devices. This is required for accurate identification of your PXI instruments later on when installed in your system. The applet configuration is saved to PXISYS.ini and PXIESYS.ini that are used by Marvin Test Solutions instruments, the VISA provider and VISA based instruments drivers. In addition, the applet can be used to assign chassis numbers, Legacy Slot numbers and instruments alias names.  
  
**VISA** is a standard maintained by the VXI Plug & Play System Alliance and the PXI Systems Alliance organizations (<http://www.vxipnp.org/>, <http://www.pxisa.org/>). VISA provides a standard way for instrument manufacturers and users to write and use instruments drivers. The VISA resource managers such as National Instruments **Measurement & Automation** (NI-MAX) can display and configure instruments and their address (similar to Marvin Test Solutions' PXI/PCI Explorer).
- **GTDIO Panel** – use to configure, control and display the board settings.
- **DIOEasy** – Windows application for creating and analyzing vector files used by DIO boards.
- **GTDIO driver** – a DLL (GTDIO32.DLL) located in the Windows System folder used to program and control the board.
- **Programming files and examples** – interface files and libraries for various programming tools, see later in this chapter for a complete list of files, programming languages and development tools supported by the driver.
- **Documentation** – On-Line help and User's Guide.

## Configuring Your PXI System using the PXI/PCI Explorer

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To configure your PXI/PCI system using the **PXI/PCI Explorer** applet follow these steps:

1. **Start the PXI/PCI Explorer applet.** The applet can be started from the Windows Control Panel or from the Windows Start Menu, **Marvin Test Solutions, HW, PXI/PCI Explorer**.
2. **Identify Chassis and Controllers.** After the PXI/PCI Explorer starts it will scan your system for changes and will display the current configuration. The PXI/PCI Explorer automatically detects systems that have Marvin Test Solutions controllers and chassis. In addition, the applet detects PXI-MXI-3/4 extenders in your system (manufactured by National Instruments). If your chassis is not shown in the explorer main window, use the Identify Chassis/Controller commands to identify your system. Chassis and Controller manufacturers should provide INI and driver files for their chassis and controllers to be used by these commands.
3. **Change chassis numbers, PXI devices Legacy Slot numbering and PXI devices Alias names.** These are optional steps to be performed if you would like your chassis to have different numbers. Legacy slots numbers are used by older Marvin Test Solutions or VISA drivers. Alias names can provide a way to address a PXI device using your logical name (e.g. "DIO1"). For more information regarding these numbers see the **DioSetupInitialization** and **DioSetupInitializationVisa** functions in the DIO Programming User's Guide.
4. **Save your work.** PXI Explorer saves the configuration to the following files located in the Windows folder: PXISYS.ini, PXIeSYS.ini and GxPxiSys.ini. Click on the **Save** button to save your changes. The PXI/Explorer prompts you to save the changes if changes were made or detected (an asterisk sign ' \* ' in the caption indicates changes).

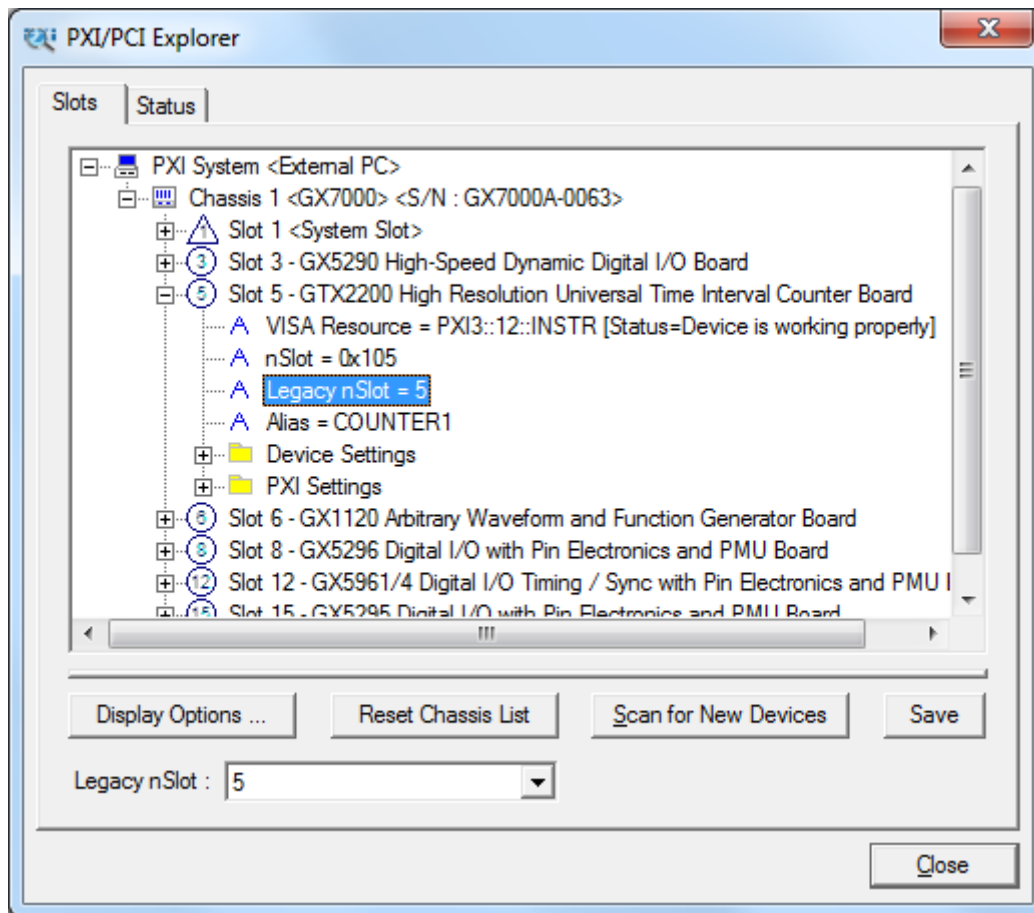


Figure 3-1: PXI/PCI Explorer

## Board Installation

### Before you Begin

- Install the GTDIO software as described in the prior section.
- Configure your PXI/PC system using **PXI/PCI Explorer** as described in the prior section.
- Verify that all the components listed in the packing list (see previous paragraph) are present.

### Electric Static Discharge (ESD) Precautions

To reduce the risk of damage to the board, the following precautions should be observed:

- Leave the board in the anti-static bags until installation requires removal. The anti-static bag protects the board from harmful static electricity.
- Save the anti-static bag in case the board is removed from the computer in the future.
- Carefully unpack and install the board. Do not drop or handle the board roughly.

- Handle the board by the edges. Avoid contact with any components on the circuit board.



**Caution** - Do not insert or remove any board while the computer is on. Turn off the power from the PXI chassis before installation.

## Board Selector Switch Settings

Any DIO domain is based on a single Master board and additional Slaves boards. The slaves are basically an expansion of the number of channels in the domain. Each board needs to have a unique number so it can be identify by the software as part of the specified domain, i.e. all Slave boards that belongs to the same Master are in the same domain. You must setup the domain by setting the Master and Slave selectors as shown in Figure 3-2.

**Master** The selector switch designated as “Master” sets the Master domain that the board belongs to. The adjacent selector switch (designated as “Slave”) needs to be set to 0.

**Slave** The selector switch designated as “Master” sets the Master domain that the Slave board belongs to. The selector switch designated as “Slave”, select the Slave number in that domain and can be set to any number from 1 to 7 for a total of 7 Slaves (number 0 is saved for the Master).

1. Set unique board number for each new DIO board using the selector switch on the front.
2. Lay boards out in slot order with the master in the middle (the Master should have equal number of Slaves from both sides).

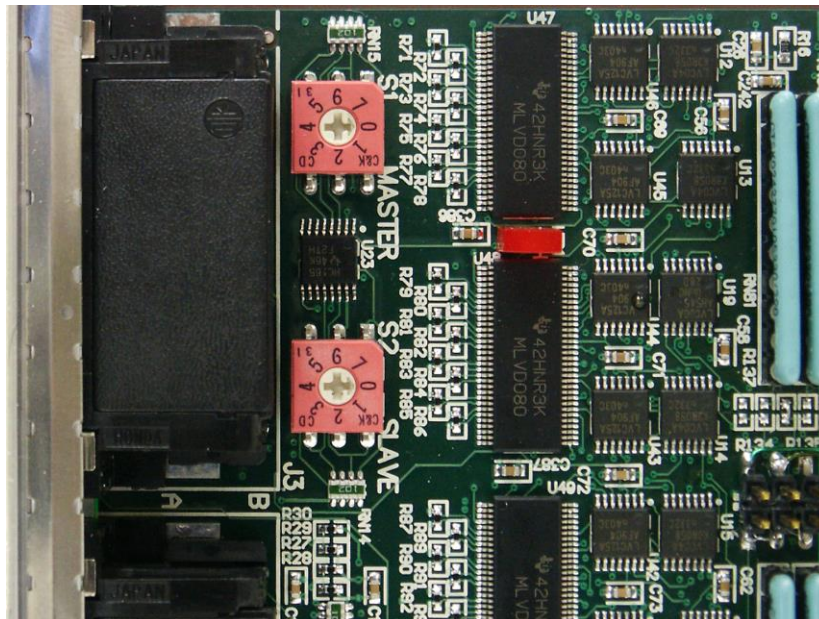


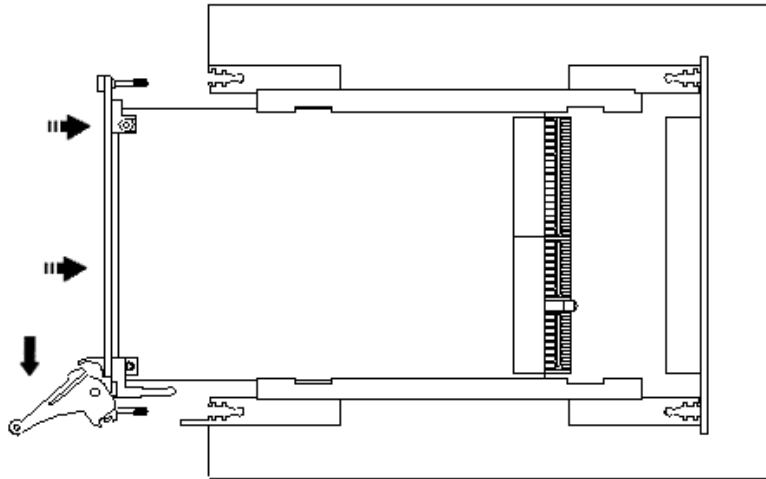
Figure 3-2: Master and Slave Switch Selectors

## Installing a Board

Install each of the boards as follows:

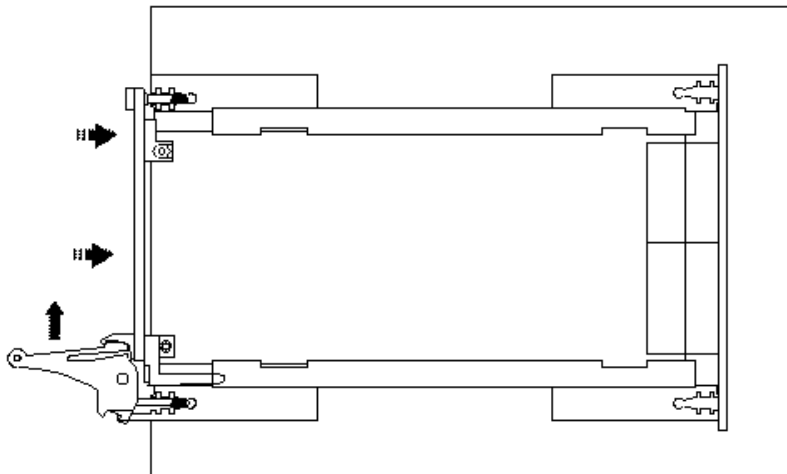
1. Turn off the PXI chassis and unplug the power cord.
2. Locate a PXI empty slot on the PXI chassis.
3. Place the module edges into the PXI chassis rails (top and bottom).

- Carefully slide the PXI board to the rear of the chassis, make sure that the ejector handles are pushed **out** (as shown in Figure 3-3).



**Figure 3-3: Ejector handles position during module insertion**

- After you feel resistance, push in the ejector handles as shown in Figure 3-4 to secure the module into the frame.



**Figure 3-4: Ejector handles position after module insertion**

- Tighten the module's front panel to the chassis to secure the module in.
- Connect any necessary cables to the board.
- Plug the power cord in and turn on the PXI chassis.

## Plug & Play Driver Installation

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Plug & Play operating systems such as Windows 9x, Me, Windows 2000 or XP (Not Windows NT) notify the user that a new board was found using the **New Hardware Found** wizard after restarting the system with the new board.

If another Marvin Test Solutions board software package was already installed, Windows will suggest using the driver information file: HW.INF. The file is located in your Program Files\Marvin Test Solutions\HW folder. Click **Next** to confirm and follow the instructions on the screen to complete the driver installation.

If the operating system was unable to find the driver (since the software driver was not installed prior to the board installation), you may install the software as described in the prior section, then click on the **Have Disk** button and browse to select the HW.INF file located in C:\Program File\Marvin Test Solutions\HW.

If you are unable to locate the driver click **Cancel** within the found New Hardware wizard and exit the New Hardware Found Wizard, install the DIO driver, reboot your computer and repeat this procedure.

The Windows Device Manager (open from the System applet from the Windows Control Panel) must display the proper board name before continuing to use the board software (no Yellow warning icon shown next to device). If the device is displayed with an error you can select it and press delete and then press F5 to rescan the system again and to start the New Hardware Found wizard.



## Removing a Board

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Remove the board as follows:

1. Turn off the PXI chassis and unplug the power cord.
2. Locate a PXI slot on the PXI chassis.
3. Disconnect and remove any cables/connectors connected to the board.
4. Unscrew the module's front panel screws to the chassis.
5. Push out the ejector handles and slide the PXI board away from the chassis.
6. Optionally - uninstall the software by running the setup again (or from the Windows Control Pane, Programs and Features or Add Remove Programs applet) and select Remove/Uninstall.

## Verifying the Installation

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To verify proper DIO board installation, install the software first, and then use the Panel to configure the driver and initialize the board. To access the Panel, GTDIO software must be installed. Run the panel by selecting **Marvin Test Solutions, GTDIO, DIO Panel** from the Windows Start menu.

### Initializing DIO Boards

A DIO board installation is successful if the driver configuration database can be updated and all boards can be initialized.

When software installation is complete, do the following to configure and initialize the new boards.

1. Run PXI/PCI Explorer from the Windows Control Panel or from the Windows Start menu, Marvin Test Solutions, HW, PXI/PXI Explorer.
2. Make sure that your chassis is configured as described in configuring your PXI System using PXI/PCI Explorer. Locate your DIO board under PXI/PCI Explorer and note the chassis number and the slot number it appears under.
3. Configure the DIO boards according to the procedure in **Chapter 3** of the **DIO Software User's Guide-GTDIO Panel**.
4. Click **Initialize** to accept the domain configuration.
5. If the new DIO board(s) can be successfully configured and initialized, installation is successful, the memory density and number of SIMMs displays for each board.



## Chapter 4 - Theory of Operation

This chapter presents the theory of operation for the GX5290/GX5290e boards, with an overview of operation and a simple description of operation for one channel (I/O pin). Topics covered in this chapter include:

- Architecture Diagram.
- Operation of clock (CLK) and strobe signals.
- Memory management.
- Vector Program Control.
- Basic states of operation.
- Trigger operation.
- Pause operation.

### Architecture

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The GX5290/GX5290e Series are high performance, cost-effective 3U PXI dynamic digital I/O boards with 32 TTL I/O channels and 32 LVDS I/O (GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293) channels with dynamic direction control. The GX5290/GX5290e Series offers an industry leading 256MB (128MB for the Gx5291) of on-board memory and supports test rates up to 200 MHz (GX5293/GX5293e only). The single board design supports both master and slave functionality without the use of add-on modules. Output channel data is present on both LVDS (GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293) and TTL Standard level I/O connectors. If a channel is configured for input mode, the user can select (via software) which input interface to activate (GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293), i.e. LVDS or TTL level ( 3.3, 1.8, 1.5, or 2.5 volt logic levels). The GX5290 Series utilizes the PXI Local Bus to distribute signals across a domain. The GX5290e Series utilize the PXI backplane Trigger Bus lines to distribute signals across a domain (user defined).

The GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293 support deep pattern memory by offering 256 MB with 64 Mb per channel of on-board vector memory with dynamic per pin per step direction control and with test rates up to 200 MHz (GX5293 only). Separate memories are provided for output data, response data (input) and direction control. Each has 256 MB with 64 Mb per channel. The separate response data memory supports the recording of activity on the UUT pins independent of the bi-direction control.. Additionally, the GX5290 cards can be configured to support real-time digital compare, eliminating the need to capture and analyze acquired data.

The GX5291 offers 128 MB of memory, providing 32 Mb per channel of on-board vector memory with dynamic per pin per step direction control and with test rates up to 100 MHz. Separate memories are provided for output data, response data (input) and direction control. However, the GX5291 supports only TTL logic families and cannot operate with multiple cards (no master / slave support).

The GX5290/GX5290e provides programmable TTL/LVTTL output clocks and strobes, and supports external clock and strobe. A programmable PLL (phase locked loop) provides configurable clock frequencies and delays. An LVDS output clock is also provided. The GX5292/GX5292e's sequencer can halt or pause on a defined address or loop through the entire memory as well as loop on a defined address range or through a defined block of memory.

The I/O stage can be software-configured to interface with a broad set of common TTL logic families including 5.0 V, 3.3 V, 2.5 V and 1.8 V families. In addition, a dedicated LVDS I/O interface is available via a dedicated connector (GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293). The I/O voltage stage can also be programmed with 10 mV resolution ranges from 1.4V to 3.6V which determines the logic high level for channels programmed to an output mode as well as defining the threshold level for channels configured as inputs..

The GX5290/GX5290e works as a complex programmable state machine with three main states: **HALT**, **PAUSE** and **RUN**. The central module of the board is the Vector Program Control. The Vector Program Control interprets predefined commands, controls the state machine and monitors the complex Trigger/Pause mechanism.

External control provides CLK, strobe and I/O pin direction from an external source. The combination of the external bi-directional control and external clocking, strobing, and triggering provides the capability to fully synchronize with UUTs and to minimize initialization procedures. The board sequencer permits looping over a predefined range of steps continuously or for a specific number of times. This provides the capability to generate stimulus vectors continuously at a defined test rate or for a pre-defined period of time.

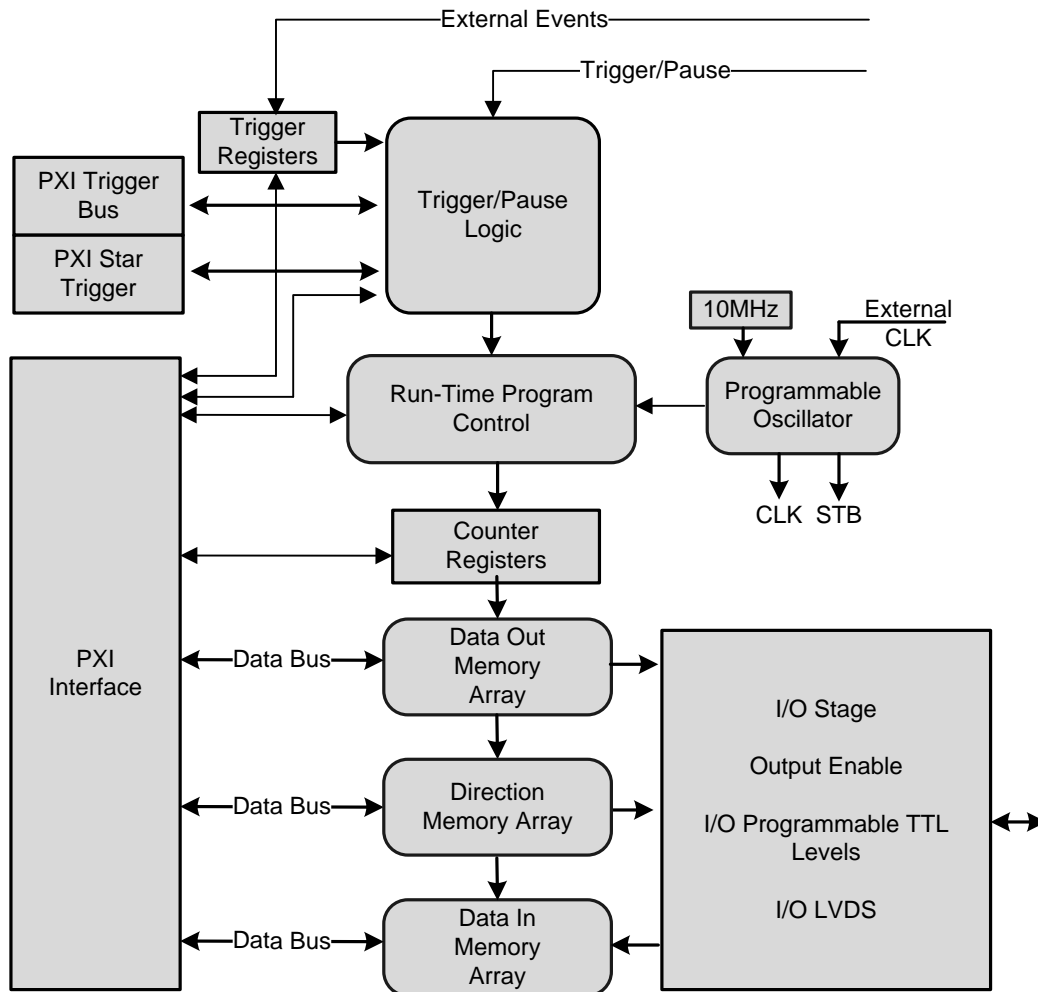


Figure 4-1: Architecture Diagram

## Masters and Slaves

The DIO System (a DIO Domain) is made up of a Master and Slave(s) circuit boards. The Master board can be connected to a maximum of 15 Slave boards expanding the number of channels in the domain. All external inputs, external clocks/strobes and controls are done primarily through the Master only.

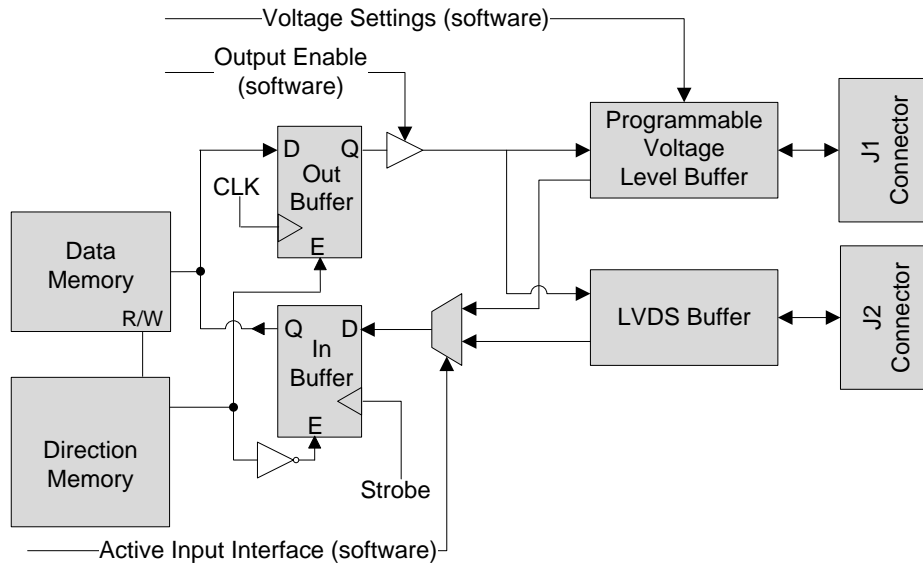
The Master distributes clock, control and status signals to all the Slaves in the domain through the PXI Bus.

Any GX5290/GX5290e board can be a Master or a Slave depends on the on-board switch settings (see Chapter 3). Master/Slave transformation can only be done when the system is shutdown.

## I/O Channels

The operation of a GX5290/GX5290e board is best understood by studying the operation of a single I/O channel. Each of the 32 channels can be set independently to be either an input or output per step.

Figure 4-2 displays a simplified block diagram of a single I/O channel. This diagram shows how one channel functions.



**Figure 4-2: I/O Channel Block Diagram (J2 not used by the Gx5291)**

### Channel is set to be in output mode at the specified step

The Channel's Direction control memory which is specified by the memory step is set to an output, enabling the Out Buffer and disabling the In Buffer. At the Out Buffer output there is an Output Enable Driver that is controlled by software. The output signal is then fed into two buffers: the Programmable Voltage Level Buffer and the LVDS Buffer (GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293). Both buffers will output the signals to the J1 and J2 connectors. The out signal that goes through the Programmable Voltage Level Buffer can have its Output logic high voltage level programmed using software (see specification for details). Data will be latched to both J1 and J2 connectors (GX5292/GX5292e and GX5293/GX5293e) on every rising Clock (when in RUN mode).

### Channel is set to be in input mode at the specified step

The Channel's Direction control, which is specified by the memory step is set to an input, enabling the In Buffer and disabling the Out Buffer. The In Buffer input signal source can be programmed receive data from the J1 or J2 input. If selecting the Programmable Voltage Level Buffer, the threshold can be programmed using software (see specification for details). Data will be latched into memory on every rising Strobe clock edge (when the DIO is in RUN mode).

## Clock and Strobe Signals

The clock (CLK) signal initiates each output vector. The rate of this signal can be programmed from 1Hz to 100MHz. Similarly, the strobe signal latches the input vector. All clock and strobe signals are distributed to all DIOs.

The GX5290's clock architecture provides the user with the flexibility to align signals between the DIO and the Unit Under Test (UUT) using delay settings. Figure 4-3 is a block diagram of the clock architecture which includes programmable delays for the DIO clock and strobe. The clock signal is used to output test vectors, and strobe (clock) data into the DIO's record memory. The basic architecture of the clock delay generator provides seven coarse delays in 4 ns steps. In addition a fine resolution delay (vernier) is available which provides a 0ns to 3ns delay in 250ps steps. Together, these elements provide delays in the range of 0ns to 27ns, with 250ps resolution for the data out and data input clocks.

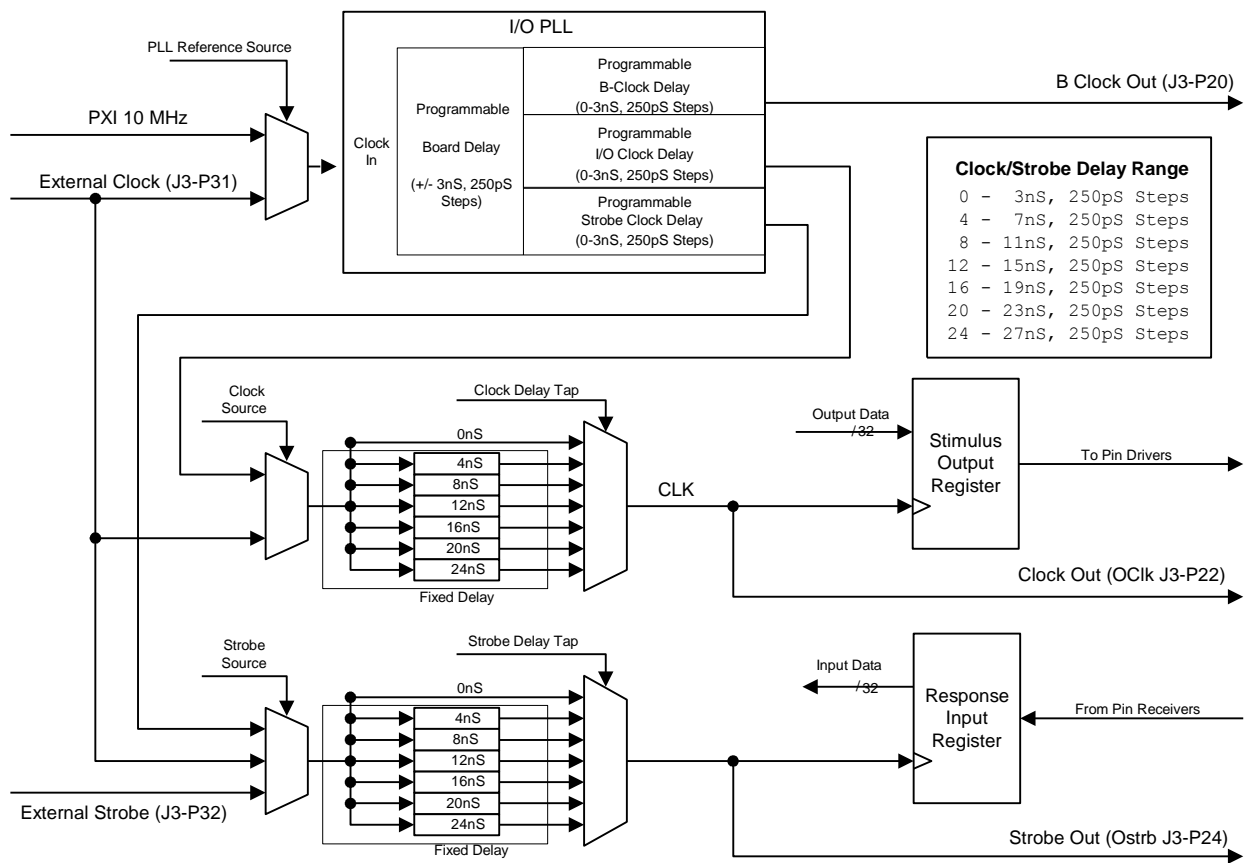
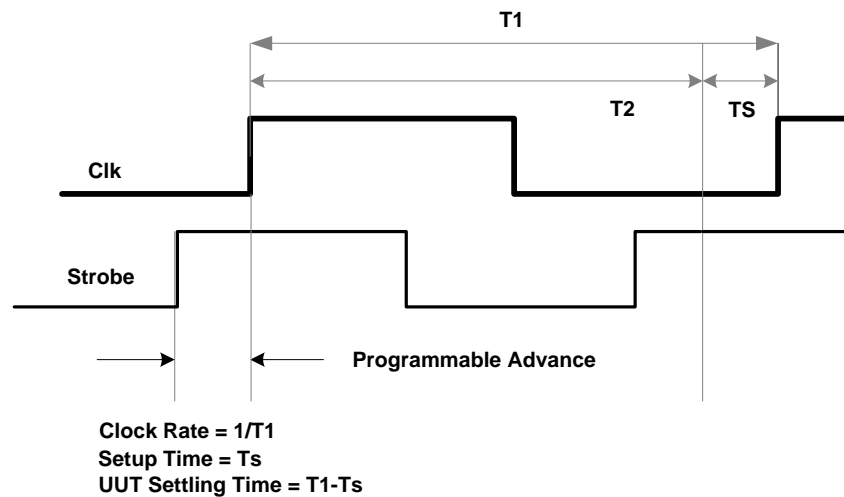


Figure 4-3: Clock Source Block Diagram

Three clock signals are available for clocking input and output data:

- O Clock      The DIO sends output patterns to the I/O connector on the rising edge of the Clock (OCLK) signal. The Clock can have a delay of 0-27 nSec (with increments of 250 pSec) relative to the Out clock source.
- Out Clock    This clock signal has the same source and frequency as the Clock without time delay. This is only an internal signal.
- Strobe        The DIO captures input patterns from the I/O connector on the rising edge of Strobe (STB). When the Strobe source signal is internal, it has the same frequency as the Clock signal. The Strobe Clock can have a delay of 0-27 nSec (with increments of 250 pSec) relative to the Out clock source. The timing diagram in Figure 4-4 displays Out CLK and Strobe signals. The DIO board can be driven using either internal or external clock sources. In internal mode, Strobe occurs  $T_s$  nanoseconds before the next clock (CLK) signal (8 nSec default).  $T_s$  can be set from 0 – 24 nanoseconds before the Out CLK signal. In the external mode, Clock or Strobe signals are provided externally.

A timing diagram of the CLK and Strobe signals is shown in Figure 4-4.

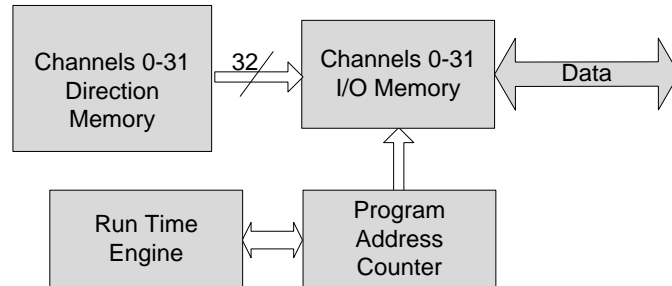


**Figure 4-4: Signal Timing Diagram**

## Memory Management

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The memory subsystem is connected via the FPGA to the PXI bus and supports fast download or upload of vectors between the host computer and the GX5290/GX5290e.



**Figure 4-5: Memory Management Block Diagram**

The Clock/Strobe signals and the Vector Program Control hardware control the program counter that contains the address of the current I/O memory. After resetting, the program counter points to address zero which is then incremented by the Clock/Strobe signal as the program is sequenced by the Vector Program Control hardware.

## Run Time Engine

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The Run Time Engine (Figure 4-5) controls the program counter and is one of the most important blocks. The inputs to the Run Time Engine are the control events (16-bit registers P and T) and the 16-bit external events input lines (X register), through the comparators.

## Commands

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The following commands can be executed:

- **NOP – No operation.** Go to the next step, the sequencer will not affect the program counter.
- **Loop N times between two steps.** Perform a programmed number of loops between two predefined steps.
- **Loop continuously between two steps.** Perform a continuous loop between two predefined steps.
- **Pause.** Execute a program pause. The command can be conditional or unconditional.
- **Halt.** End of the program, halt execution.

The GX529X looping function requires the following conditions:

- Loops must be a minimum of 4 vectors long
- Loops may start on either odd/even vector boundaries
- Loops may end on either odd/even vector boundaries

Patterns must start a minimum of 4 vectors before the beginning of the loop or Loop length must be a minimum of 256 vectors long

These conditions are a result of the pipeline architecture of the GX529X sequencing state machine.

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**Note:** See Appendix B for more information on how to code and decode commands.

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## Vector Program Control

The Vector Program Control (Figure 4-6) provides high-speed Event Detection with Real-Time Response to those external events which in-turn, control the program counter and the GX5290/GX5290e's state. The inputs to the Vector Program Control are:

- The 16-bit external events input lines or X register
- Trigger or Pause signals as processed by the Trigger/Pause logic.
- Software command control: Arm, Trigger, Pause, Halt, Step and Reset.
- External input lines: External Trigger, External Pause and External Jump.
- Predefined program commands which are processed at run time.

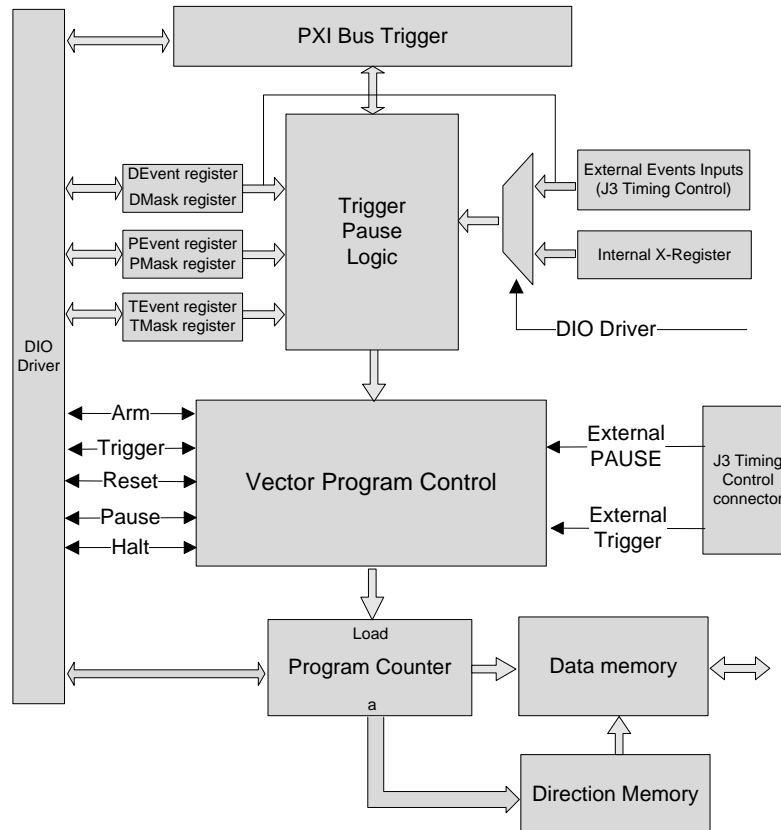


Figure 4-6: GX5290/GX5290e Vector Program Control

## Vector Program Control States

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The GX5290/GX5290e Vector Program Control functions in three basic operational states; **Halt**, **Pause** and **Run**.

Figure 4-7 is a block diagram showing the relationship between these operational states.

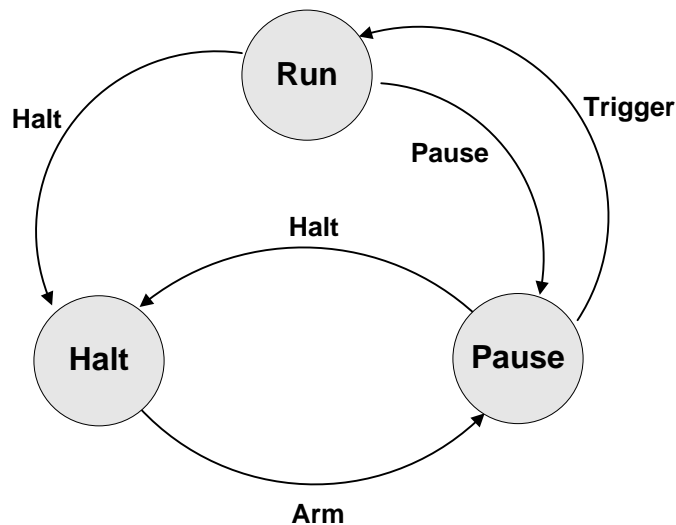


Figure 4-7: GX5290/GX5290e Operational States

### Halt State

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The GX5290/GX5290e Vector Program Control goes into a Halt state after a Reset signal and following the Halt command. All external event inputs as well as external control inputs are ignored following a Halt command. Following Reset, all I/O pins (channels) are in the receiving mode of operation. The program counter is zero, the frequency is set to an internal 10MHz, and the strobe timing is set to 5nSec.

### Pause State

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The Vector Program Control enters a Pause state from a Halt state with an ARM command sent by the PC bus, or from the Run state following a Pause command.

### Run State

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In the Run state, data is being output and input data is being latched and the program counter holds the address of the current output. While running, channels that are defined as outputs output data from the memory located at the program counter's address and the channels that are defined as inputs receive data which is stored in a memory location defined by the program counter's address.

## Trigger Command

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The trigger command causes the board to change its state to the Run state and can be originated from the following sources:

- PC (software)
- External trigger control line
- External event lines (16 lines)
- PXI Trigger Bus Line.

### PC (Software) Trigger

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The software trigger originates within the PC. The PC bus trigger command takes effect immediately and overrides other established trigger conditions.

### External Trigger

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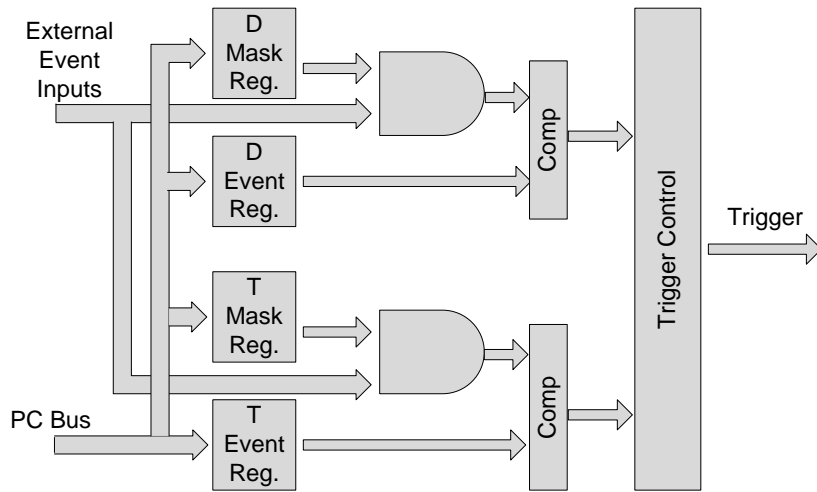
#### External Trigger Control Line

External triggers originate from the external trigger line. A low level signal causes the board to change its state to RUN. The external trigger line overrides other trigger conditions set for the GT-DIO board.

#### External Event Lines

It is also possible to set a conditional trigger command, which is activated upon receiving external events from these input lines. This external event may be any expected value on all or part of the external event input lines. The 16 external event lines are ANDed with pre-defined masks and compared with pre-defined events in registers D and T.

The external events trigger function is shown in Figure 4-8.



**Figure 4-8: External Events Trigger Block Diagram**

The external events trigger can be set to one or two levels. In the one level mode, the trigger will be generated after the external condition has been met with the D or T event mask registers. In the two level mode, the board will wait for two sequential events to be met before issuing the trigger signal (D first, T second or opposite).

## PXI Trigger Bus Line Trigger

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Controlled by software, the GX5290/GX5290e can be programmed to trigger on any one of the PXI Trigger Bus Lines. The selected PXI Trigger Bus Line can then be Enabled/Disabled through software control achieving additional control over the PXI Trigger Bus event.

## Pause Command

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The pause command causes the board to change its state to the Pause state and can originate from the following sources:

- PC (Software).
- External control line
- External events line
- PXI Trigger Bus Line Pause

## PC (Software) Pause

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The software Pause originates within the PC. The PC bus Pause command takes effect immediately and overrides other established trigger conditions.

## External Pause

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### External Pause Control Line

External pause originates from the external pause line. An active low on this line low will cause an immediate pause. The external pause overrides other pause conditions set to the GT-DIO board.

### External Pause Event Lines

The P mask and event registers can be used to create conditional pauses that depend on external event lines. The 16 external event lines are ANDed with pre-defined masks and compared with pre-defined events in register P.

The external/internal events pause function in the board is shown in Figure 4-9:

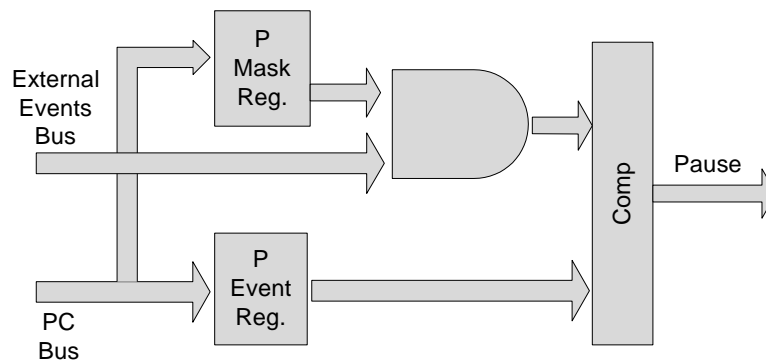


Figure 4-9: External Events Pause Block Diagram

## PXI Trigger Bus Line Pause

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Controlled by software, the GX5290/GX5290e can be programmed to Pause on any one of the PXI Trigger Bus Lines. The selected PXI Trigger Bus Line can then be Enabled/Disabled through software control achieving additional control over the PXI Trigger Bus event.

## Other Features

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### X Register

The GX5290/GX5290e board has a 16-bit register that can be set by software to simulate the external event lines.

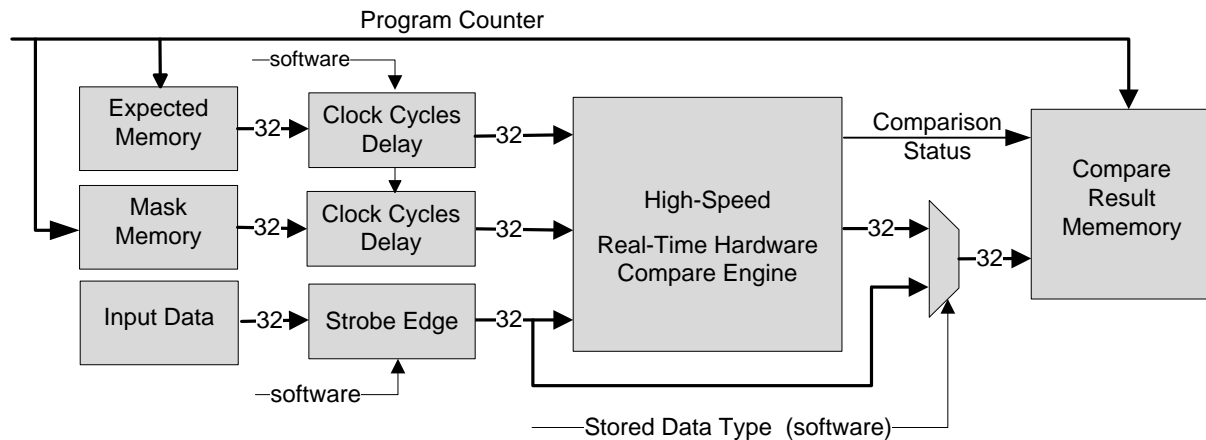
## **B and C Clock Sources**

The GX5290/GX5290e Board has additional programmable clocks that may be used externally. Clocks B and C can be programmed from 300 KHz to 100 MHz (GX5292) or to 200 MHz (Gx5293)..

CLKB and CLKC are independent from other clock sources. They are not defined at power up and once programmed, it will not change (even by reset) until programmed to another value. Clock B supports TTL logic families and Clock C supports LVDS logic families.

## High-Speed Real-Time Hardware Compare

The GX5290 can change its operation mode programmatically and be set to High-Speed Real-Time Hardware Compare mode. High-Speed Real-Time Hardware Compare provides users with the ability to perform on-the-fly comparison of acquired response data. All the data comparison is performed in hardware on a per-sample basis which significantly reduces the time required to unload and analyze the data. In this mode the output memory becomes the expected data memory, the input memory becomes the mask memory and there is an additional 1K of on-board memory for storing acquired data or compared results. For this mode of operation, input data does not get recorded to the input memory, instead the 1K of on-board memory is used to save compare data and record program steps.



**Figure 4-10: High-Speed Real-Time Hardware Compare Block Diagram**

The Real-Time Hardware Compare consists of Expected memory, Mask memory and Direction memory. The Expected memory contains the expected known good data for each step. Note that the Expected memory is also used as the output memory for those test steps defined as outputs. Consequently, the Real Time Compare mode also provides drive / verify functionality – verifying a stuck at 0 or 1 condition at the UUT interface. The Mask memory contains the masking bits for the compare engine – instructing it to either ignore the data for the specified (logic low) step or to enable the compare engine (logic high). In case the mask was set to logic low the comparison result will be zero. The mask is applied to all channels for each step. The direction memory controls the direction of each channel on a per step basis. The comparison is made on per bit basis for all 32-bits received data. The comparison results are saved to a dedicated on-board memory which can hold up to 1K of data. The result data has three components for each comparison result:

- **Data:** The user can set programmatically what type of data will be stored, either the comparison result or the actual (raw) received input data. If the stored result data type is the compared data, this data is the result of comparing the expected data with the received data on a per bit basis, with each bit ANDed with the mask data. A high bit in the mask will enable the comparison while a low bit will cause the comparison result to be a logic low (indicating no failure). The comparison logic is defined as a Logic High being a failure while a Logic Low is no failure.
- **Address:** Contains the Program counter value.
- **Comparison status:** A single bit indicates the status of comparing all 32-bits for each step of the sequence. A logic high is a failure. This status bit is useful if the user programs the result data type to be the raw input data.

## Comparison stop modes

The user can set programmatically the Comparison stop mode for each DIO board in the domain. Each board can have a different stop mode. The comparison stop modes are follows:

- **Stop on defined count errors:** For this stop condition the board stops when the total number of failures (errors) is equal to the number of failures counted. If the number of detected failures is less than the defined count failures, the board will run to the end of the sequence.. All boards in the domain will stop when any of the boards meet this condition..
- **Stop on defined count raw data:** For this stop condition, the board is continuously comparing and recording the input data. The trigger for the board to stop is when the detected failures equal the number of defined number of failures. At that point the DIO will continue to record and compare data until there is no more room in the results memory. In this condition the result memory is operating like a FIFO until the stop condition is met. All boards in the domain will stop when any of the boards meet this condition.
- **Stop on data:** For this stop condition the board is continuously comparing and recording the input data. The trigger for the board to stop is when the input data is equal to the programmed comparison data value. At that point the DIO will continue to record and compare data until there is no more room in the results memory. In this condition the result memory is operating like a FIFO until stop condition is met. All boards in the domain will stop when any of the boards meet this condition.
- **Stop on program counter:** For this stop condition the board is continuously comparing and recording the input data. The trigger for the board to stop is when the program counter value is equal to the programmed counter data value. At that point the DIO will continue to record and compare data until there is no more room in the results memory. In this condition the result memory is operating like a FIFO until stop condition is met. All boards in the domain will stop when any of the boards meet this condition.

The user can set the condition value for the Comparison stop mode as follows:

- Failures count: maximum number of count failures is 1024.
- Vector data value.
- Vector step number.

The table below illustrates the real time compare result memory content, mask and expected memories for each state of received data (logic 0 and logic 1).

Expected	Mask	Received data	Result Memory with Compare ON (High=Failure)	Result Memory with Compare OFF
X	0	X	0	0
			0	0
0	1	0	0	0
		1	1	1
1	1	0	1	0
		1	0	1



## Comparison Synchronization

The comparison mechanism utilizes various data that is latched into the comparison engine on the fly. In order to help synchronize all of the different input data, there are several tools at the user's disposal to help achieve overall synchronization of input and output data when operating in the Real-Time Hardware Compare mode. These tools are available only when operating in the RTC mode:

- **Clock Cycles Delay:** The user can set the number of clock cycles that the expected and/or the masked memory data require. Since each data path in the comparison process has its own delay this feature can be used to align the three different data sources - input data, masked data and expected data in order to ensure correct operation of the compare function.
- **Input data strobe edge:** The response data which is clocked in by the strobe is fed to the real time comparator using the same clock as the output data and the mask data. The user can set the input data (response data) strobe edge to either capture the input data on the falling or rising edge. This can assist in aligning the input data with the other two sources of data, the masked and expected memory data to ensure correct operation of the compare function.



## Appendix A - Connectors and Cables

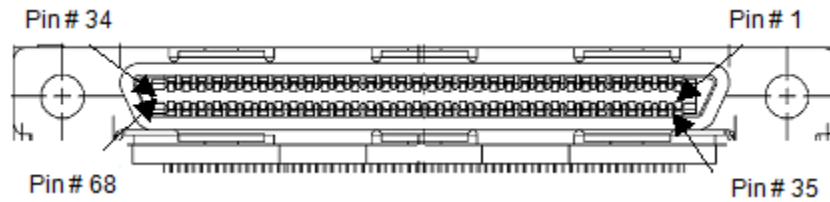
### Overview

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This section describes the DIO I/O and the Timing connectors and cables (see Figure A-1).

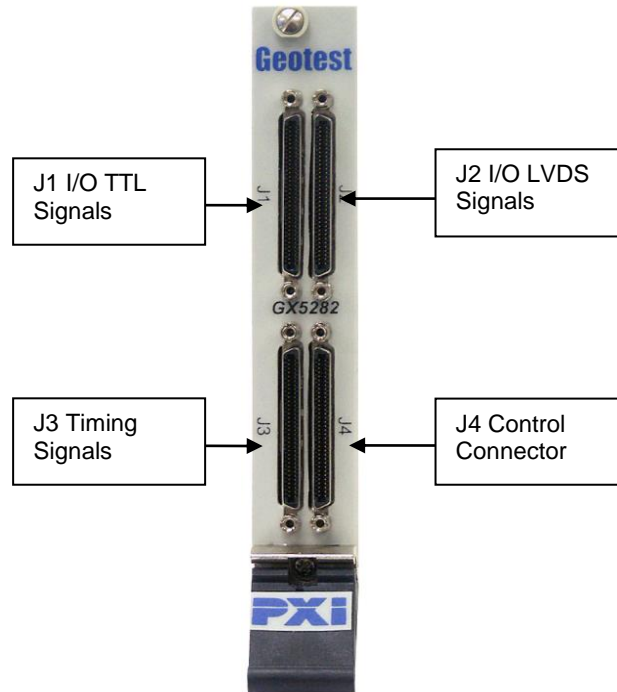
When a GX5290/GX5290e is configured as a Master, all connectors can be used. When configured as a Slave, the J3 Timing and J4 Control connectors should not be used.

Figure A-2 shows the layout of 68-Pin VHD connectors. The 68-pin male end connector has a shielded, double pin row receptacle. The connector mates with a UUT cable.



**Figure A - 1: GX5290/GX5290e 68-Pin (VHD) Connector**

## GX5290 Connectors GX5290 Front Panel Connectors for UUT Cables



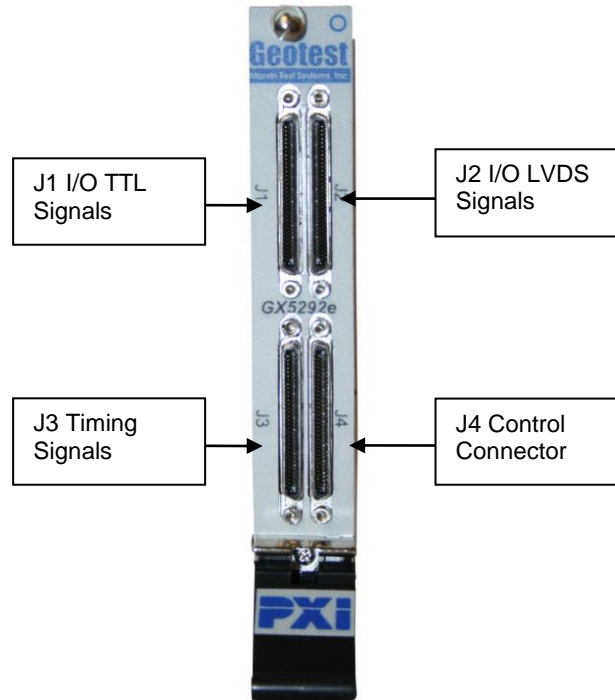
**Figure A- 2: GX5290 Front Panel Connectors for UUT Cables**

The GX5290 has 4 connectors. All the connectors are available on the instrument's front panel. The GX5290 has the following connectors:

J1 I/O TTL Signals	Programmable TTL Level I/O Data Connector Signals.
J2 I/O LVDS Signals	LVDS I/O Data Signals (not supported by the Gx5291).
J3 Timing	Timing Signals (do not use on Slave).
J4 Control	User Control Connector Signals (do not use on Slave).

**Note:** All connectors J1-J4 are 68-pin VHD connectors.

## GX5290e Connectors



**Figure A- 3: GX5290e Front Panel Connectors for UUT Cables**

The GX5290e has 4 connectors. All the connectors are available on the instrument's front panel. The GX5290e has the following connectors:

J1 I/O TTL Signals	Programmable TTL Level I/O Data Connector Signals.
J2 I/O LVDS Signals	LVDS I/O Data Signals (not supported by the GX5291)
J3 Timing	Timing Signals (do not use on Slave).
J4 Control	User Control Connector Signals (do not use on Slave).

**Note:** All connectors J1-J4 are 68-pin VHD connectors.

## J1 I/O TTL Signals (68-Pin to UUT)

The following table defines the GX5290/GX5290e DIO to I/O signals. This interface uses a 68-pin VHD connector.

Pin	Signal	Type	Pin	Signal	Type	Pin	Signal	Type	Pin	Signal	Type
1	IO0	I/O	18	IO17	I/O	35	GND	P	52	GND	P
2	IO1	I/O	19	IO18	I/O	36	GND	P	53	GND	P
3	IO2	I/O	20	IO19	I/O	37	GND	P	54	GND	P
4	IO3	I/O	21	IO20	I/O	38	GND	P	55	GND	P
5	IO4	I/O	22	IO21	I/O	39	GND	P	56	GND	P
6	IO5	I/O	23	IO22	I/O	40	GND	P	57	GND	P
7	IO6	I/O	24	IO23	I/O	41	GND	P	58	GND	P
8	IO7	I/O	25	IO24	I/O	42	GND	P	59	GND	P
9	IO8	I/O	26	IO25	I/O	43	GND	P	60	GND	P
10	IO9	I/O	27	IO26	I/O	44	GND	P	61	GND	P
11	IO10	I/O	28	IO27	I/O	45	GND	P	62	GND	P
12	IO11	I/O	29	IO28	I/O	46	GND	P	63	GND	P
13	IO12	I/O	30	IO29	I/O	47	GND	P	64	GND	P
14	IO13	I/O	31	IO30	I/O	48	GND	P	65	GND	P
15	IO14	I/O	32	IO31	I/O	49	GND	P	66	GND	P
16	IO15	I/O	33	VTH	P	50	GND	P	67	VTH	P
17	IO16	I/O	34	GND	P	51	GND	P	68	GND	P

**Table A-1: 68-Pin I/O TTL Signals, J1.**

Notes for Table A-1:

- Pin: Pin number
- I/O: Input or Output
- P: Power/GND
- IO0 – IO31: Single Ended Data Lines.
- VTH – Termination voltage for data and control signals.

## J2 I/O LVDS Signals (68-Pin to UUT)

The following table defines the GX5290/GX5290e DIO to I/O signals. This interface uses a 68-pin VHD connector.

Pin	Signal	Type	Pin	Signal	Type	Pin	Signal	Type	Pin	Signal	Type
1	IO0+	I/O	18	IO17+	I/O	35	IO0-	I/O	52	IO17-	I/O
2	IO1+	I/O	19	IO18+	I/O	36	IO1-	I/O	53	IO18-	I/O
3	IO2+	I/O	20	IO19+	I/O	37	IO2-	I/O	54	IO19-	I/O
4	IO3+	I/O	21	IO20+	I/O	38	IO3-	I/O	55	IO20-	I/O
5	IO4+	I/O	22	IO21+	I/O	39	IO4-	I/O	56	IO21-	I/O
6	IO5+	I/O	23	IO22+	I/O	40	IO5-	I/O	57	IO22-	I/O
7	IO6+	I/O	24	IO23+	I/O	41	IO6-	I/O	58	IO23-	I/O
8	IO7+	I/O	25	IO24+	I/O	42	IO7-	I/O	59	IO24-	I/O
9	IO8+	I/O	26	IO25+	I/O	43	IO8-	I/O	60	IO25-	I/O
10	IO9+	I/O	27	IO26+	I/O	44	IO9-	I/O	61	IO26-	I/O
11	IO10+	I/O	28	IO27+	I/O	45	IO10-	I/O	62	IO27-	I/O
12	IO11+	I/O	29	IO28+	I/O	46	IO11-	I/O	63	IO28-	I/O
13	IO12+	I/O	30	IO29+	I/O	47	IO12-	I/O	64	IO29-	I/O
14	IO13+	I/O	31	IO30+	I/O	48	IO13-	I/O	65	IO30-	I/O
15	IO14+	I/O	32	IO31+	I/O	49	IO14-	I/O	66	IO31-	I/O
16	IO15+	I/O	33	VTH	P	50	IO15-	I/O	67	VTH	P
17	IO16+	I/O	34	GND	P	51	IO16-	I/O	68	GND	P

**Table A-2: 68-Pin I/O LVDS Signals, J2.**

Notes for Table A-2:

- Pin: Pin number
- I/O: Input or Output
- P: Power/GND
- IO0 – IO31: Differentially Coupled Data Lines.
- VTH – Termination voltage for data and control signals.

**NOTE:** J2 features not supported by the Gx5291.

### J3 Timing Signals Connector

This section describes the GX5290/GX5290e J3 Timing connector and external event signals (used only on a Master). This interface uses a 68-pin VHD connector. The following table lists the Timing signals:

Pin	Name	Function	Pin	Name	Function
1	EXT0	Input External event 0	18	ORun	Output Run Indication
2	EXT1	Input External event 1	19	GND	
3	EXT2	Input External event 2	20	BClk	Independent output programmable clock output
4	EXT3	Input External event 3	21	GND	
5	EXT4	Input External event 4	22	OClk	User Output Clock
6	EXT5	Input External event 5	23	GND	
7	EXT6	Input External event 6	24	OStb	Strobe Output
8	EXT7	Input External event 7	25	GND	
9	EXT8	Input External event 8	26	XTrig	External Trigger Input (Overrides Run Command)
10	EXT9	Input External event 9	27	XPause	External Pause Input (Overrides Pause Command)
11	EXT10	Input External event 10	28	XClkEn	External Clock Enable Input (active low)
12	EXT11	Input External event 11	29	XStbEn	External Strobe Enable Input (active low)
13	EXT12	Input External event 12	30	EXCLKO	Output clock, distributes EXCLK to slaves (PCB revision D or later, otherwise GND).
14	EXT13	Input External event 13	31	XClk	External Clock Input (reference to the internal clock PLL or sample clock source)
15	EXT14	Input External event 14	32	XStb	External Strobe Input
16	EXT15	Input External event 15	33	VTH	Termination voltage output for data and control signals
17	OArm	Output Arm Indication	34	GND	
35	GND		67	VTH	Termination voltage output for data and control signals
66	GND		68	GND	

**Table A-3: 68-pin Connector J3 Timing UUT.  
Unspecified pins are GND.**



## J4 Control Connector

This section describes the GX5290/GX5290e's J4 Control connector which supports UUT control signals. This interface uses a 68-pin VHD connector.

The following table defines the DIO to UUT control interface.

Pin	Signal	Type	Pin	Signal	Type	Pin	Signal	Type	Pin	Signal	Type
1	GND	P	18	GND	P	35	GND	P	52	GND	P
2	N/C	X	19	OEN0n	O	36	N/C	X	53	GND	P
3	GND	X	20	OEN1n	O	37	GND	X	54	GND	P
4	CLK_LVDS+	X	21	OEN2n	O	38	CLK_LVDS-	X	55	GND	P
5	GND	X	22	OEN3n	O	39	GND	X	56	GND	P
6	GND	P	23	CLK2O	P	40	GND	P	57	GND	P
7	N/C	X	24	XEN0n	I	41	N/C	X	58	GND	P
8	N/C	X	25	XEN1n	I	42	N/C	X	59	GND	P
9	N/C	X	26	XEN2n	I	43	N/C	X	60	GND	P
10	N/C	X	27	XEN3n	I	44	N/C	X	61	GND	P
11	GND	P	28	GND	P	45	GND	P	62	GND	P
12	N/C	X	29	N/C	I	46	N/C	X	63	GND	P
13	N/C	X	30	N/C	X	47	N/C	X	64	GND	P
14	N/C	X	31	5V	P	48	GND	P	65	GND	P
15	N/C	X	32	5V	P	49	GND	P	66	GND	P
16	EXCLK2	X	33	VTH	P	50	GND	P	67	VTH	P
17	EXCLK2O	X	34	GND	P	51	GND	P	68	GND	P

**Table A-4: 68-Pin Control Connector Signals, J4.**

### **Notes for Table A-4:**

- I: Input
- O: Output
- P: Power/GND
- N/C: Reserved, do not use.
- OEN0-3n– Output Enable outputs. A low signal indicates output signal/signals in the indicated byte group is currently enabled (active low).
- XOE0-3n– External Output Enable inputs. A low signal disables the output drivers of the selected I/O group (active low).
- VTH – Termination voltage for data and control signals.
- CLK\_LVDS+, CLK\_LVDS-: LVDS clock positive and negative signals (PCB revision D or later, otherwise N/C).
- CLK2O – Output clock distributing external clocks or strobes to slaves (PCB revision D or later, otherwise N/C).
- EXCLK2 – External Clock input #2 (PCB revision D or later, otherwise N/C).
- EXCLK2O – Output clock, distributes EXCLK2 to slaves (PCB revision D or later, otherwise N/C).



**Caution** - DO NOT CONNECT the GT95014 DIO Single Ended Interface Board to User connector J4 if the LVDS clock is enabled. The LVDS\_N signal will get shorted to ground and device damage may result. Use the GT95015 DIO Differential Interface Board for all J4 functions if the LVDS clock is required.

## Appendix B - Specifications

### GX5290 Specifications

Feature	Characteristics
<b>Timing Features</b>	
<b>Internal Clock (PLL):</b>	
Frequency Range	GX5291/GX5292: 1 Hz (Min), 100 MHz (Max for all 32 I/O channels). GX5293 1 Hz (Min), 100 MHz (Max for all 32 I/O channels). 1 Hz (Min), 200 MHz (Max with up to 16 I/O channels).
Accuracy	Greater of (+/- 1Hz or +/- 0.02% of programmed value) + accuracy of reference clock (PXI 10 MHz or external reference clock)
Jitter	+/- 20 mUI of internal clock frequency, max
Reference	PXI 10 MHz clock or XClk (external clock) input
<b>Internal B Clock Output (TTL / LVTTTL):</b>	
Range	300 KHz to 100MHz (200 MHz for GX5293)
Accuracy	Greater of ( +/- 1 Hz or +/- 0.5% of programmed value) + accuracy of reference clock
<b>Internal C Clock Output (LVDS / LVDM / M-LVDS):</b>	
Range	300 KHz to 100MHz (200 MHz for GX5293)
Accuracy	Greater of ( +/- 1 Hz or +/- 0.5% of programmed value) + accuracy of reference clock
<b>Internal Strobe (OStb) and Output Clock (O Clk) Outputs</b>	
Logic levels	TTL / LVTTTL / CMOS / LVCMOS, programmable output voltage level, 1.4 V (min) to 3.6 V (max)
Frequency	Internal clock or External strobe, External clock inputs
Programmable delays (using internal clock source only) for Internal Strobe and Output Clock signals	0 – 27nS in 250pS steps (1 Hz to 100 MHz) 0 – 3nS in 250pS steps (>100 MHz to 200 MHz)
<b>External Test Clock Input</b>	
Frequency range (configured as sample clock)	0 to 100MHz , 200 MHz for GX5293
Frequency range ( configured as reference clock to PLL)	8MHz to 10.5 MHz

<b>Feature</b>	<b>Characteristics</b>
Pulse Width	40% min., 60% max.
Logic levels	TTL / LVTTTL / CMOS / LVCMOS Input threshold: 1.5 V, 1.8 V, 2.5 V, or 3.3 V (5V tolerant)
<b>External Strobe Clock Input</b>	
Frequency range	0 to 100MHz , 200 MHz for GX5293
Logic levels	TTL / LVTTTL / CMOS / LVCMOS Input threshold: 1.5 V, 1.8 V, 2.5 V, or 3.3 V (5V tolerant)
<b>Input/Output Channel Features</b>	
Data Direction control	Dynamic, controlled on a per vector and per channel basis
Channels per board	32
Channel configuration per board ( software controlled)	GX5292: 32 / 16 / 8 / 4 / 2 / 1 GX5293: 16 / 8 / 4 / 2 / 1
Memory depth per channel	GX5291: 32Mb – 1 Gb (one channel configuration) GX5292/GX5293: 64Mb – 2 Gb ( one channel configuration)
Logic families	TTL / LVTTTL / CMOS / LVCMOS (1.5 V, 1.8 V, 2.5 V, or 3.3 V or 5V), LVDS, / LVDM / M-LVDS Note: GX5293 does not support TTL logic family
I/O Levels	TTL/LVTTTL/CMOS/LVCMOS: Prog. Output Voltage Level: 1.4 V (Min); 3.6 V (Max) Input Threshold: 1.5 V, 1.8V, 2.5V, or 3.3 V (5V tolerant) Recommended Operating Conditions: 0V (Min); 5.5V (Max) LVDS/LVDM/M-LVDS: (not supported by the GX5291) Recommended Operating Conditions: Voltage Output: -1.4V (Min.); 3.8 V (Max.) Voltage Input: .05V (Min.); 3.3V (Max.)
Channel timing skew	1nS same card, 1nS between cards
<b>External Status &amp; Control Signals</b>	
Logic levels	TTL/LVTTTL/CMOS/LVCMOS: Prog. Output Voltage Level: 1.4 V (Min); 3.6 V (Max) Input Threshold: 1.5 V, 1.8V, 2.5V, or 3.3 V (5V tolerant)
Trigger source	Software, PXI trigger bus, External event, External trigger input ( overrides Run command)
External Test Clock Enable	Internal (software), External input (via J3 connector)
External Strobe Clock Enable	Internal (software) , External input (via J3 connector)
External Event Bus	16 input lines with mask and logic AND conditioning

<b>Feature</b>	<b>Characteristics</b>
Pause	External pause input overrides Pause command
Run	Run status indicator (J3 connector)
<b>Environmental</b>	
Operating Temp.	0 to 50°C
Storage Temperature	-20 to 70°C
<b>Physical Properties</b>	
Bus Interface	Compact PCI/PXI
Dimensions	Single 3U Compact PCI slot; PXI compatible
Weight	200 g
<b>Front Panel Connectors</b>	
<b>Label:</b>	
J1	I/O TTL Signals, type 68-pin VHD connector
J2	I/O LVDS Signals, type 68-pin VHD connector (GX5292/GX5293)
J3	Timing Signals, type 68-pin VHD connector
J4	Control Connector, type 68-pin VHD connector

**Table B-1: GX5290/GX5290e DIO Specifications**

## GX5290e Specifications

Feature	Value
<b>Timing</b>	
Internal Clock (PLL):	
Range	GX5291e/GX5292e: 1 Hz (Min), 100 MHz (Max for all 32 I/O channels). GX5293e: 1 Hz (Min), 100 MHz (Max for all 32 I/O channels). 1 Hz (Min), 200 MHz (Max with up to 16 I/O channels).
Resolution, max	Greater of 1Hz or 0.2%
<b>Internal B Clock:</b>	
Range	1 to 200MHz
Resolution	0.2%
Internal Strobe Phase – Clock delay	1Hz<= Frequency <=100MHz: 0 – 27nS in 250pS steps 100MHz< Frequency <=200MHz: 0 – 3nS in 250pS steps
Ext. Test Clock	0 to 50MHz
Ext. Strobe	0 to 50MHz
Timing skew	1nS same card, 1nS between cards
<b>Clock In</b>	
Direction	Input into Master board
Destinations	Reference clock (for the phase lock loop (PLL)) Sample clock
<b>As Sample clock</b>	
Frequency range	3.5 MHz to 50 MHz
<b>As Reference Clock</b>	
Reference clock frequency range	10 MHz $\pm$ 50 ppm
<b>Input/Output</b>	
Data Direction control	Input or Output, fixed during execution
I/O channel width	32
Channels per board	32

<b>Feature</b>	<b>Value</b>
Memory depth, steps	GX5291e: 32M GX5292e/GX5293e: 64M
Trigger	Software, external override, or conditional
Pause	Software, external override, or conditional
<b>External Status &amp; Control</b>	
Output Enable	Tri-state in 8-pin groups
External Clock Enable	Internal, External and Select
Clock Output	As selected clock
External Strobe	As selected Input
External Event Bus	As selected 16 lines
Pause	As selected Override Input
Trigger	As selected Override Input
Run	As selected Indicator
B Clock	As selected Output
<b>Environmental</b>	
Operating Temp.	0 to 50°C
Storage Temperature	-20 to 70°C
<b>Physical Properties</b>	
Bus Interface	PXI Express
Dimensions	Single 3U PXI Express slot
Weight	200gr
<b>Front Panel Connectors</b>	
<b>Label:</b>	
J1	I/O TTL Signals, type 68-pin VHD connector
J2	I/O LVDS Signals, type 68-pin VHD connector (GX5292e/GX5293e)
J3	Timing Signals, type 68-pin VHD connector
J4	Control Connector, type 68-pin VHD connector

Table B-2: GX5290e DIO Specifications





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