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IviDownconverter Revision History

This section is an overview of the revision history of the IviDownconverter specification.

Table 1-1-1 IviDownconverter Class Specification Revisions

Revision Number	Date of Revision	Revision Notes
Revision 1.0	October 21, 2009	Version 1.0 of Specification Approved
Revision 2.0	June 9, 2010	Incorporated IVI.NET
Revision 2.0	August 25, 2011	Editorial IVI.NET change.
		Change references to process-wide locking to AppDomain-wide locking.
		Add an overload to the Create factory method that takes locking related parameters.

API Versions

Architecture	Drivers that comply with version 2.0 comply with all of the versions below.
С	1.0, 2.0
COM	1.0, 2.0
.NET	2.0

Drivers that comply with this version of the specification also comply with earlier, compatible versions of the specification as shown in the table above. The driver may benefit by advertising that it supports all the API versions listed in the table above.

1. Overview of the IviDownconverter Specification

1.1 Introduction

This specification defines the IVI class for frequency downconverters. The IviDownconverter class is designed to support the typical downconverter as well as common extended functionality found in more complex instruments. This section summarizes the *IviDownconverter Class Specification* and contains general information that the reader might need in order to understand, interpret, and implement aspects of this specification. These aspects include the following:

- IviDownconverter class overview
- The definitions of terms and acronyms
- References

1.2 IviDownconverter Class Overview

This specification defines the IVI class for downconverters. The IviDownconverter class is designed to support devices that convert RF input frequency signals to IF output frequency signals suitable for processing by a downstream system component, such as a digitizer.

The IviDownconverter class is divided into a base capability group and several extension groups. The base capability group is used to configure basic input and output filtering and gain/attenuation stages. The IviDownconverter base capability group is described in Section 4, *IviDownconverterBase Capability Group*.

Extension groups are provided for more advanced capabilities. Several extension groups are provided to support different styles of sweeping the RF input. Other extension groups provide more precise control of signal routing through the various downconverter stages.

1.3 References

Several other documents and specifications are related to this specification. These other related documents are as follows:

- IVI-3.1: Driver Architecture Specification
- IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification
- IVI-3.3: Standard Cross Class Capabilities Specification
- IVI-3.18: IVI.NET Utility Classes and Interfaces Specification
- IVI- 5.0: Glossary

1.4 Definitions of Terms and Acronyms

This section defines terms and acronyms that are specific to the IviDownconverter class.

Local Oscillator (LO) An oscillator mixed with the RF input signal to produce the IF output.

Radio Frequency (RF) Refers to the input frequency to be translated by the downconverter

Intermediate Frequency (IF) Refers to the frequency output by the downconverter

Refer to IVI-5.0: Glossary for a description of more terms used in this specification.

2. IviDownconverter Class Capabilities

2.1 Introduction

The IviDownconverter specification divides generic downconverter capabilities into a base capability group and multiple extension capability groups. Each capability group is discussed in a separate section. This section defines names for each capability group and gives an overview of the information presented for each capability group.

2.2 IviDownconverter Group Names

The capability group names for the IviDownconverter class are defined in the following table. The Group Name is used to represent a particular capability group and is returned as one of the possible group names from the Class Group Capabilities attribute.

Table 2-1. IviDownconverter Group Names

Group Name	Description
IviDownconverterBase	Base Capabilities of the IviDownconverter specification. This group includes the ability to set the RF input frequency, IF output frequency, input attenuation, output gain, and other control parameters.
IviDownconverterBypass	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to have the RF input completely bypass the downconverter.
IviDownconverterExternalMixer	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to use an external mixer.
IviDownconverterFrequencyStep	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to sweep the RF input frequency in discrete steps.
IviDownconverterFrequencySweep	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to sweep the RF input frequency.
IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to sweep the RF input frequency using a list of values.
IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to return frequency band information for frequency sweeps.
IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to sweep the RF input based on a software trigger.
IviDownconverterIFFilter	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to specify the IF output filter bandwidth.
IviDownconverterPreselector	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to bypass the preselection filter.
IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to employ a video detection capability at the IF output.
IviDownconverterCalibration	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to perform self-calibration.
IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator	Extension: IviDownconverter with the ability to

Table 2-1. IviDownconverter Group Names

Group Name	Description	
	use an external frequency reference.	

2.3 Repeated Capability Names

The IviDownconverter Class Specification defines two repeated capabilities. Refer to the sections of IVI-3.1: *Driver Architecture Specification* that deal with repeated capabilities. They are Section 2.7, *Repeated Capabilities*, Section 4.1.9, *Repeated Capabilities*, Section 4.2.5, *Repeated Capabilities*, Section 4.3.9, *Repeated Capabilities*, and Section 5.9, *Repeated Capability Identifiers and Selectors*.

- RFInput
- IFOutput

2.3.1 RFInput

In the configuration store, the repeated capability name for the RFInput capability shall be exactly one of "RFInput" or "IviDownconverterRFInput". Drivers that implement multiple repeated capabilities with the name "RFInput" shall use the latter form to disambiguate the name.

All RF Input related attributes and functions operate exclusively on the active RF Input, controlled by setting the Active RF Input attribute prior to using any RF Input related attributes and functions.

2.3.2 IFOutput

In the configuration store, the repeated capability name for the IFOutput capability shall be exactly one of "IFOutput" or "IviDownconverterIFOutput". Drivers that implement multiple repeated capabilities with the name "IFOutput" shall use the latter form to disambiguate the name.

All IF Output related attributes and functions operate exclusively on the active IF Output, controlled by setting the Active IF Output attribute prior to using any IF Output related attributes and functions.

2.4 Boolean Attribute and Parameter Values

This specification uses True and False as the values for Boolean attributes and parameters. The following table defines the identifiers that are used for True and False in the IVI.NET, IVI-COM, and IVI-C architectures.

Boolean Value	IVI.NET Identifier	IVI-COM Identifier	IVI-C Identifier
True	true	VARIANT_TRUE	VI_TRUE
False	false	VARIANT_FALSE	VI_FALSE

2.5 .NET Namespace

The .NET namespace for the IviDownconverter class is Ivi. Downconverter.

2.6 .NET IviDownconverter Session Factory

The IviDownconverter .NET assembly contains a factory method called Create for creating instances of IviDownconverter class-compliant IVI.NET drivers from driver sessions and logical names. Create is a static method accessible from the static IviDownconverter class.

Refer to *IVI-3.5*: Configuration Server Specification for a description of how logical names and session names are defined in the configuration store.

Refer to Section 8, *IVI.NET Specific Driver Constructor*, of *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification*, for more details on how the idquery, reset, and options parameters affect the instantiation of the driver.

Refer to Section 4.3.11, *Multithread Safety*, of *IVI-3.1: Driver Architecture Specification* for a complete description of IVI.NET driver locking. Refer to Section 8, Table 8.2 *Required Lock Type Behavior for Drivers With the Same Access Key*, of *IVI-3.2, Inherent Capability Specification*, for an explanation of how the values for lockType and accessKey are used to determine the kind of multithreaded lock to use for the driver instance.

.NET Method Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
name	A session name or a logical name that points to a session that uses an IVI.NET IviDownconverter class-compliant driver.	String
idQuery	Specifies whether to verify the ID of the instrument. The default is False.	Boolean
reset	Specifies whether to reset the instrument. The default is False.	Boolean
lockType	Specifies whether to use AppDomain-wide locking or machine-wide locking.	Ivi.Driver.LockType
accessKey	Specifies a user-selectable access key to identify the lock. Driver instances that are created with the same accessKey will be protected from simultaneous access by multiple threads within an AppDomain or across AppDomains, depending upon the value of the lockType parameter.	String

A string that allows the user to specify the initial values of certain inherent attributes. The default is an empty	String
string.	

Outputs	Description	Base Type
Return Value	Interface pointer to the IIviDownconverter interface of the driver referenced by session.	IIviDownconverter

Defined Values

Name	Description					
		Language Identifier				
AppDomain	Th	The lock is AppDomain-wide.				
		.NET Ivi.Driver.LockType.AppDomain				
Machine	Th	The lock is machine-wide.				
		.NET Ivi.Driver.LockType.Machine				

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this method.

Usage

To create a driver that implements the IviDownconverter instrument class API from the logical name "My LogicalName", use the following code:

IIviDownconverter downconverter = IviDownconverter.Create("MyLogicalName");

In this case, the ID of the instrument will not be verified, the instrument will not be reset, and options will be supplied from the configuration store and/or driver defaults.

3. General Requirements

This section describes the general requirements a specific driver must meet in order to be compliant with this specification. In addition, it provides general requirements that specific drivers must meet in order to comply with a capability group, attribute, or function.

3.1 Minimum Class Compliance

To be compliant with the IviDownconverter Class Specification, an IVI specific driver shall conform to all of the requirements for an IVI class-compliant specific driver as specified in *IVI-3.1: Driver Architecture Specification*, implement the inherent capabilities that *IVI-3.2: Inherent IVI Capabilities Specification* defines, and implements the IviDownconverterBase capability group.

3.1.1 Disable

Refer to *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* for the prototype of this function. The IviDownconverter specification does not define additional requirements on the Disable function.

The Disable function shall cause the downconverter to apply the minimum amount of power possible at the output terminals. Setting the IF output gain to a value close to zero or physically disconnecting the function generator from the output terminals meets this requirement. Other techniques are also allowed.

3.2 Capability Group Compliance

IVI-3.1: Driver Architecture Specification defines the general rules for a specific driver to be compliant with a capability group.

3.3 Initialize

In addition to the standard OptionsString attributes specified in Section 6.16, *Initialize* of *IVI-3.2: Inherent IVI Capabilities Specification*, the IviDownconverter Class Specification adds the following valid OptionsString attributes:

Table 3-1. IVI Downconverter Attribute Initial Values and Options String Name

Attribute	Default Initial Value	Options String Name
External LO Enabled	False	ExternalLOEnabled

If a driver does not support setting the External LO Enabled attribute to True, it should return the Invalid Value error.

4. IviDownconverterBase Capability Group

4.1 Overview

The IviDownconverterBase Capability Group supports basic downconverter operation. The IviDownconverterBase Capability Group defines attributes and functions for configuring and/or accessing RF input frequency, and attenuation as well as IF output frequency and gain. This Capability Group also defines functions for using an external local oscillator (LO).

This specification defines an RF Input repeated capability to accommodate devices that offer multiple RF inputs. Many devices, however, offer only a single RF input. The block diagram below presents the basic aspects of a single-input downconverter.

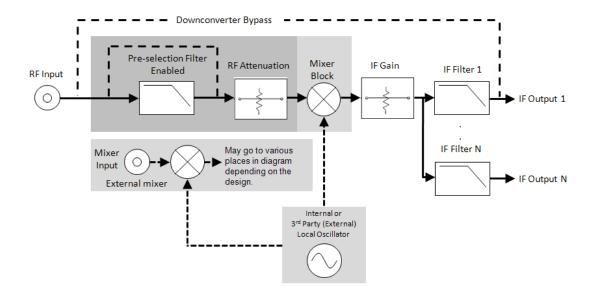


Figure 4-1. Single-Input IviDownconverter Block Diagram

The diagram above illustrates a downconverter that has a single RF input feeding the front-end elements of the device. Figure 4-1 shows a preselection filter followed by an RF attenuation stage. Depending upon the design of the downconverter, the order in which these elements appears may vary.

Some downconverters may offer multiple RF inputs along with multiple IF outputs. This specification does not dictate whether the IF outputs are dedicated to specific RF inputs or whether they are shared amongst the multiple RF inputs. Vendors are encouraged to use a repeated capability naming scheme that indicates whether or not IF outputs are associated with specific RF inputs.

The block diagram below shows one possible arrangement for a multi-input downconverter. In the diagram below, the RF inputs each feed dedicated sets of IF outputs. An alternate arrangement might consist of multiple inputs routed through an RF multiplexer into a set of shared IF outputs.

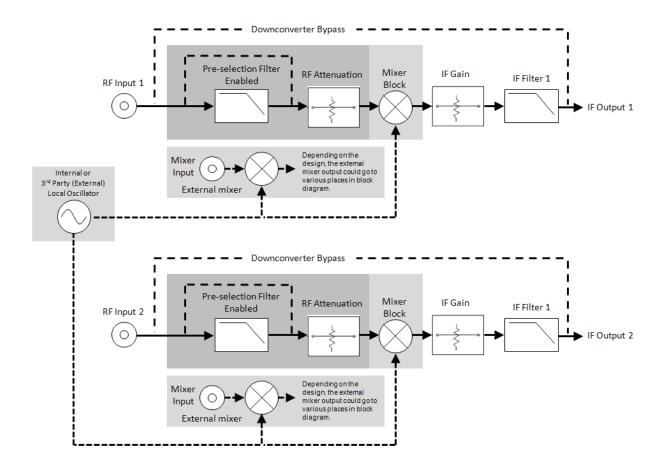


Figure 4-2. Multi-Input IviDownconverter Block Diagram

4.2 IviDownconverterBase Attributes

The IviDownconverterBase capability group defines the following attributes:

- Active IF Output
- Active RF Input
- External LO Enabled
- External LO Frequency
- IF Output Count
- IF Output Enabled
- IF Output Frequency
- IF Output Gain
- IF Output Name (IVI-COM Only)

- Is Settled
- RF Input Attenuation
- RF Input Corrections Enabled
- RF Input Count
- RF Input Coupling
- RF Input Frequency
- RF Input Name (IVI-COM Only)

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each attribute. The actual value for each attribute ID is defined in Section 13, *IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions*.

4.2.1 Active IF Output

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViString	R/W	N/A	None	Set Active IF Output (IVI-C Only)

.NET Property Name

IFOutput.ActiveIFOutput

COM Property Name

IFOutput.ActiveIFOutput

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_ACTIVE_IF_OUTPUT

Description

Specifies the IF output that is currently active. Subsequent calls to functions and attributes that are based on the IF Output repeated capability will be applied to the Active IF Output specified here. The values for this attribute correspond to the allowed repeated capability names for the IF Output repeated capability. If the driver defines a qualified IF Output name, this attribute returns the qualified name. Use the IF Output Name attribute (for IVI-COM) or the Get IF Output Name function (for IVI-C) to read the allowed values for this attribute.

Note that the Active IF Output attribute does not enable the specified output. This attribute only controls the IF Output repeated capability instance to which other functions and attributes apply. Use the IF Output Enabled attribute to route the IF signal to a specific output.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.2 Active RF Input

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViString	R/W	N/A	None	Set Active RF Input (IVI-C Only)

.NET Property Name

RFInput.ActiveRFInput

COM Property Name

RFInput.ActiveRFInput

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR ACTIVE RF INPUT

Description

Specifies the RF input that is currently active. Subsequent calls to functions and attributes that are based on the RF Input repeated capability will be applied to the Active RF Input specified here. The values for this attribute correspond to the allowed repeated capability names for the RFInput repeated capability. If the driver defines a qualified RFInput name, this attribute returns the qualified name. Use the RF Input Name attribute (for IVI-COM) or the Get RF Input Name function (for IVI-C and IVI.NET) to read the allowed values for this attribute.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.3 External LO Enabled

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	R/W	N/A	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

ExternalLO.Enabled

COM Property Name

ExternalLO.Enabled

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR EXTERNAL LO ENABLED

Description

If True, the external LO is enabled. If False, the external LO is disabled. If the driver does not support an external LO and this attribute is set to True, then the driver returns the Invalid Value error. As specified in Section 3.3, *Initialize* of this specification, the External LO Enabled attribute can also be set via the OptionsString parameter.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.4 External LO Frequency

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	N/A	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

ExternalLO.Frequency

COM Property Name

ExternalLO.Frequency

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_LO_FREQUENCY

Description

Specifies the frequency of the external LO. The units are Hertz.

External LO Frequency will normally be read-only so that the driver can supply the correct external LO frequency for a given requested RF Input frequency. Some downconverters can support multiple LO frequencies for a single RF frequency to help minimize images. For these cases, the External LO Frequency is writeable.

Compliance Notes

1. It is acceptable to return an error if the External LO Frequency is set to a value not compatible with the requested RF Input frequency.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.5 IF Output Count

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViInt32	RO	N/A	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

IFOutput.Count

COM Property Name

IFOutput.Count

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IF_OUTPUT_COUNT

Description

Returns the number of IF Outputs available on the device.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.6 IF Output Enabled

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	R/W	IFOutput	None	Configure IF Output Enabled (IVI-C only)

.NET Property Name

IFOutput.Enabled

COM Property Name

IFOutput.Enabled

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR IF OUTPUT ENABLED

Description

If True, the active IF output is enabled. If False, the active IF output is disabled. Only a single IF Output can be enabled at a time. Thus, when this attribute is set to True for a particular IF output, all other IF outputs are disabled.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.7 IF Output Frequency

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	RO	IFOutput	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

IFOutput.Frequency

COM Property Name

IFOutput.Frequency

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IF_OUTPUT_FREQUENCY

Description

Returns the frequency of the active IF output. The units are Hertz.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.8 IF Output Gain

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	IFOutput	Down	Configure IF Output Gain (IVI-C only)

.NET Property Name

IFOutput.Gain

COM Property Name

IFOutput.Gain

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IF_OUTPUT_GAIN

Description

Specifies the amount of gain (or attenuation) to apply to the active IF output of the downconverter. The units are dB.

Positive values for this attribute represent signal gain while negative values represent attenuation.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.9 IF Output Name (IVI-COM Only)

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViString	RO	IFOutput	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

N/A

(Use the Get IF Output Name method.)

COM Property Name

C Constant Name

N/A

(Use the Get IF Output Name function.)

Description

Returns the IF Output identifier that corresponds to the one-based index that the user specifies. If the driver defines a qualified IF Output name, this function returns the qualified name. If the value that the user passes for the Index parameter is less than one or greater than the value of the IF Output Count attribute, the property returns an empty string in the Name parameter and returns the Invalid Value error.

4.2.10 Is Settled

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	RO	IFOutput	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

IFOutput.IsSettled

COM Property Name

IFOutput.IsSettled

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR IS SETTLED

Description

Indicates whether the downconverter has settled from changes to either the RF input signal or changes to device control parameters, such as IF Output Gain, IF Frequency, or RF Attenuation. This attribute indicates whether or not the active IF output is valid for processing by another downstream system component, such as a digitizer.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.11 RF Input Attenuation

	Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ſ	ViReal64	R/W	RFInput	Up	Configure RF Input Attenuation (IVI-C Only)

.NET Property Name

RFInput.Attenuation

COM Property Name

RFInput.Attenuation

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR RF INPUT ATTENUATION

Description

Specifies the amount of attenuation (or gain) to apply to the active RF input of the downconverter. The units are dB.

Positive values for this attribute represent attenuation while negative values represent gain.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.12 RF Input Corrections Enabled

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	R/W	RFInput	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

RFInput.CorrectionsEnabled

COM Property Name

RFInput.CorrectionsEnabled

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_RF_INPUT_CORRECTIONS_ENABLED

Description

If True, the automatic global corrections on the device is enabled. If False, the automatic global corrections on the device is disabled.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.13 RF Input Coupling

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViInt32	R/W	RFInput	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

RFInput.Coupling

.NET Enumeration Name

InputCoupling

COM Property Name

RFInput.Coupling

COM Enumeration Name

IviDownconverterInputCouplingEnum

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR RF INPUT COUPLING

Description

Specifies the coupling applied to active RF input.

Defined Values

Name	Descr	Description			
		Language	Identifier		
AC	The c	downconverter A	AC couples the RF input signal.		
		.NET	AC		
		С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_INPUT_COUPLING_AC		
		COM	IviDownconverterInputCouplingAC		
DC	The downconverter DC couples the RF input signal.				
		.NET	DC		
		С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_INPUT_COUPLING_DC		
		COM	IviDownconverterInputCouplingDC		

.NET Exceptions

4.2.14 RF Input Count

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViInt32	RO	N/A	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

RFInput.Count

COM Property Name

RFInput.Count

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_RF_INPUT_COUNT

Description

Returns the number of RF Inputs available on the device.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.15 RF Input Frequency

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	RFInput	None	Configure RF Input Frequency (IVI-C Only)

.NET Property Name

RFInput.Frequency

COM Property Name

RFInput.Frequency

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_RF_INPUT_FREQUENCY

Description

Specifies the frequency of the active RF input. The units are Hertz.

.NET Exceptions

4.2.16 RF Input Name (IVI-COM Only)

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViString	RO	RFInput	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

N/A

(Use the Get RF Input Name function.)

COM Property Name

C Constant Name

N/A

(Use the Get RF Input Name function.)

Description

Returns the RF Input identifier that corresponds to the one-based index that the user specifies. If the driver defines a qualified RF Input name, this function returns the qualified name. If the value that the user pass for the Index parameter is less than one or greater than the value of the RF Input Count attribute, the property returns and empty string in the Name parameter and returns the Invalid Value error.

.NET Exceptions

4.3 IviDownconverterBase Functions

The IviDownconverterBase capability group defines the following functions:

- Configure IF Output Gain (IVI-C Only)
- Configure IF Output Enabled (IVI-C Only)
- Configure Reference Oscillator
- Configure RF Input Attenuation (IVI-C Only)
- Configure RF Input Frequency (IVI-C Only)
- Get IF Output Name (IVI-C & IVI.NET Only)
- Get RF Input Name (IVI-C & IVI.NET Only)
- Set Active IF Output (IVI-C Only)
- Set Active RF Input (IVI-C Only)
- Wait Until Settled

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each function.

4.3.1 Configure IF Output Gain (IVI-C Only)

Description

Configures the active IF output gain.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the IFOutput.Gain property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the IFOutput.Gain property)
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Gain	Specifies the gain applied to the active IF output. The driver uses this value to set the IF Output Gain attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

4.3.2 Configure IF Output Enabled (IVI-C Only)

Description

Configures whether or not the active IF output is enabled.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the IFOutput.Enabled property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
{\rm N/A} (use the IFOutput.Enabled property)
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Enabled	Enables or disables the active IF output. The driver uses this value to set the IF Output Enabled attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

4.3.3 Configure RF Input Attenuation (IVI-C Only)

Description

Configures the amount of attenuation applied to the active RF input.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the RFInput.Attenuation property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the RFInput.Attenuation property)
```

C Prototype

```
ViStatus IviDownconverter_ConfigureRFInputAttenuation (ViSession Vi, ViReal64 Attenuation);
```

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Attenuation	Specifies the amount of attenuation to apply to the active RF Input. The driver uses this value to set the RF Input Attenuation attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

4.3.4 Configure RF Input Frequency (IVI-C Only)

Description

Configures the frequency of the active RF input.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the RFInput.Frequency property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the RFInput.Frequency property)
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Frequency	Specifies the frequency of the active RF input. The driver use this value to set the RF Input Frequency attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

4.3.5 Get IF Output Name (IVI-C & IVI.NET Only)

Description

This function returns the specific driver defined IF Output name that corresponds to the one-based index that the user specifies. If the driver defines a qualified IF Output name, this function returns the qualified name. If the value that the user passes for the Index parameter is less than one or greater than the value of the IF Output Count, the function returns an empty string in the Name parameter and returns the Invalid Value error.

.NET Method Prototype

```
String IFOutput.GetName (Int32 index);
```

COM Method Prototype

```
N/A
(use the IFOutput.Name property)
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Index	A one-based index that defines which name to return.	ViInt32
NameBufferSize	The number of bytes in the ViChar array that the user specifies for the Name parameter.	ViInt32

Outputs	Description	Base Type
Name	A user-allocated (for IVI-C) or driver-allocated (for IVI.NET) buffer into which the driver stores the IF Output name.	ViChar[]
	The caller may pass VI_NULL for this parameter if the NameBufferSize parameter is 0.	

Return Values (C)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

4.3.6 Get RF Input Name (IVI-C & IVI.NET Only)

Description

This function returns the specific driver defined RF Input name that corresponds to the one-based index that the user specifies. If the driver defines a qualified RF Input name, this function returns the qualified name. If the value that the user passes for the Index parameter is less than one or greater than the value of the RF Input Count, the function returns an empty string in the Name parameter and returns the Invalid Value error.

.NET Method Prototype

String RFInput.GetName (Int32 index);COM Method Prototype

```
N/A
(use the RFInput.Name property)
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Index	A one-based index that defines which name to return.	ViInt32
NameBufferSize	The number of bytes in the ViChar array that the user specifies for the Name parameter.	ViInt32

Outputs	Description	Base Type
Name	A user-allocated (for IVI-C) or driver-allocated (for IVI.NET) buffer into which the driver stores the RF Input name.	ViChar[]
	The caller may pass VI_NULL for this parameter if the NameBufferSize parameter is 0.	

Return Values (C)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

4.3.7 Set Active IF Output (IVI-C Only)

Description

This function selects one of the available IF outputs, and makes it the active IF output.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the IFOutput.ActiveIFOutput property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
\ensuremath{\mathrm{N/A}} (use the IFOutput.ActiveIFOutput property)
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Name	IF Output to be selected. The driver uses this value to set the Active IF Output attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViConstString

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

4.3.8 Set Active RF Input (IVI-C Only)

Description

This function selects one of the available RF inputs, and makes it the active RF input.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the RFInput.ActiveRFInput property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the RFInput.ActiveRFInput property)
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Name	RF Input to be selected. The driver uses this value to set the Active RF Input attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViConstString

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

4.3.9 Wait Until Settled

Description

This function waits until all of the signals flowing through the downconverter have settled. If the signals did not settle within the time period the user specified with the MaxTimeMilliseconds parameter, the function returns the Max Time Exceeded error.

.NET Method Prototype

void IFOutput.WaitUntilSettled (PrecisionTimeSpan maxTime);

COM Method Prototype

HRESULT IFOutput.WaitUntilSettled ([in] long MaxTimeMilliseconds);

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
MaxTimeMilliseconds (C/COM)	Specifies the maximum time the end-user allows for this function to complete. The units are milliseconds. Defined values: Max Time Immediate - The function returns immediately. If the downconverter has not settled the function returns an error. Max Time Infinite - The function waits indefinitely for the downconverter to settle.	ViInt32
maxTime (.NET)	Specifies the maximum time the end-user allows for this function to complete. The units are implicit in the PrecisionTimeSpan type. Defined values: PrecisionTimeSpan.Zero - The function returns immediately. If the downconverter has not settled, the function returns an error. PrecisionTimeSpan.MaxValue - The function waits indefinitely for the downconverter to settle.	PrecisionTimeSpan

Defined Values for the MaxTimeMilliseconds Parameter (C/COM)

Name	Description					
		Language Identifier				
Max Time Immediate	The	The function returns immediately.				
		C IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_MAX_TIME_IMMEDIATE				
		COM IviDownconverterTimeOutImmediate				
Max Time Infinite	The function waits indefinitely for the downconverter to settle.					

	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_MAX_TIME_INFINITE
	COM	IviDownconverterTimeOutInfinite

Defined Values for the maxTime Parameter (.NET)

Name	De	Description		
		Language	Identifier	
Zero	Sets timeout to immediate. The function returns immediately.			
		.NET	TimeSpan.Zero	
MaxValue	Sets timeout to infinite. The function waits indefinitely for the settling to complete.			
		.NET	TimeSpan.MaxValue	

Return Values

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general status codes that this function can return. The table below specifies additional class-defined status codes for this function.

Completion Codes	Description
Max Time Exceeded	Error: Maximum time exceeded before the operation completed.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this method. The table below specifies additional class-defined exceptions for this method.

Note that the .NET MaxTimeExceededException is defined in IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification.

Compliance Notes

The specific instrument driver is not required to support any of the defined values for the MaxTimeMilliseconds parameter.

4.4 IviDownconverterBase Behavior Model

The following state diagram shows the basic operation of the IviDownconverter.

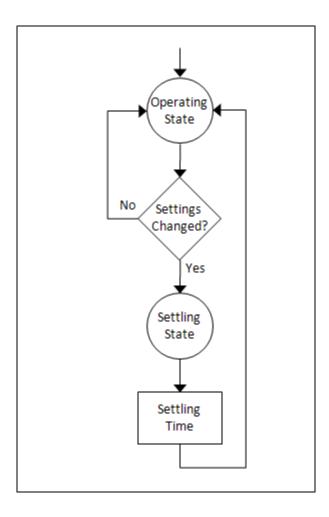


Figure 4-3: IviDownconverterBase Behavior Model

The behavior model for the IviDownconverterBase capability group is simple. The device is always operating (assuming power is applied) with an IF signal appearing at the output in response to an RF signal applied to the input. This specification defines a transient Settling state to account for the fact that the IF output signal may need to settle to a stable state after some operational parameters have been changed. Thus, in order to perform more accurate measurements, users will typically want to wait for a certain amount of time after changing some parameters to allow the signal to settle. A number of factors might require settling time, including (but not limited to) the following attributes defined by this specification:

RF Input Attenuation

- RF Input Frequency
- IF Output Gain

5. IviDownconverterBypass Extension Group

5.1 IviDownconverterBypass Overview

The IviDownconverterBypass extension group supports downconverters with the ability to route the RF input completely around the downconverter. It defines a single attribute.

5.2 IviDownconverterBypass Attributes

The IviDownconverterBypass extension group defines the following attributes:

Bypass

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each attribute. The actual value for each attribute ID is defined in Section 13, *IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions*.

5.2.1 Bypass

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	R/W	RFInput	None	Configure Bypass (IVI-C Only)

.NET Property Name

RFInput.Bypass

COM Property Name

RFInput.Bypass

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_BYPASS

Description

Specifies whether or not the RF input signal bypass the entire downconverter.

When set to True, the RF input signal is routed directly to the IF output indicated by the value of the Active IF Output attribute, and completely bypasses all stages of the downconverter. When set to False, the RF input signal does not bypass the downconverter - it is routed into the front end of the downconverter and follows the normal signal path, as dictated by other downstream path control attributes, such as Preselector Enabled.

.NET Exceptions

5.3 IviDownconverterBypass Functions

The IviDownconverterBypass extension group defines the following function:

• Configure Bypass (IVI-C Only)

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

5.3.1 Configure Bypass (IVI-C Only)

Description

Configures whether or not the RF input signal completely bypasses the downconverter.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the RFInput.Bypass property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the RFInput.Bypass property)
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Bypass	Enables or disables the downconverter bypass. The driver uses this value to set the Bypass attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViBoolean

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

5.4 IviDownconverterBypass Behavior Model

The IviDownconverterBypass extension group follows the same behavior model as the IviDownconverterBase group described in Section 4.4, *IviDownconverterBase Behavior Model*.

5.5 IviDownconverterBypass Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterBypass extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

6. IviDownconverterExternalMixer Extension Group

6.1 IviDownconverterExternalMixer Overview

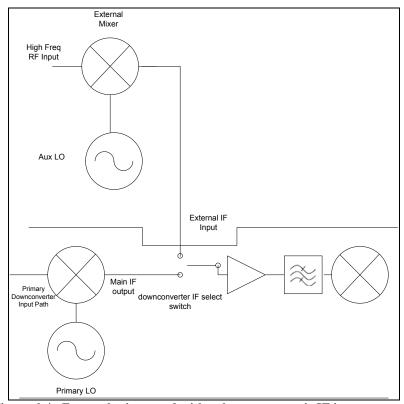


Figure 6-4. External mixer used with a downconverter's IF input.

The IviDownconverterExternalMixer extension group supports using an external mixer. It defines attributes that allow you to enable/disable the mixer as well as control the harmonic and the bias level and limit. This extension group also defines functions that configure these attributes.

When using an external mixer, many of the settings of the downconverter have to be carefully converted to allow the user to know what is meant by the values read. Specifically, the frequency, the harmonic number, mixer configuration, and conversion loss must be configured carefully to be able to use external mixing successfully.

The frequency of the input signal can be expressed as a function of the local oscillator (LO) frequency and the selected harmonic of the 1st LO is as follows:

$$\begin{split} f_{in} = n * f_{LO} + /- f_{IF} \\ Where: & f_{in} & frequency of input signal \\ & n & order of harmonic used for conversion \\ & f_{LO} & frequency of 1st LO \\ & f_{IF} & intermediate frequency \end{split}$$

The Harmonic number defines the order n of the harmonic used for conversion. Although both even and odd harmonics can be used, the harmonic is generally odd in balanced mixers. Even order terms are naturally attenuated. The selected harmonic, together with the setting range of the 1st LO, determines the limits of the settable frequency range. The following applies:

Lower frequency limit: $f_{min} = n * f_{LO,min} - f_{IF}$

Upper frequency limit: $f_{max} = n * f_{LO,max} + f_{IF}$

Where: $f_{LO,min}$ lower frequency limit of LO

f_{LO.max} upper frequency limit of LO

The following sections describe the mixer configuration and the conversion loss table configuration.

6.1.1 Mixer Configuration

The external mixers are typically configured either as two-port or three port devices. Single-diode mixers generally require a DC voltage which is applied via the LO line. This DC voltage is to be tuned to the minimum conversion loss versus frequency. Some instruments can define a limit for the BIAS current.

The two-port mixer connects the 'LO OUT / IF IN' output of the analyzer to the LO/IF port of the external mixer. The diplexer is contained in the analyzer and the IF signal can be tapped from the line which is used to feed the LO signal to the mixer. The signal to be measured is fed to the RF input of the external mixer.

On the other hand, the three-port mixer connects the 'LO OUT / IF IN' output of the analyzer to the LO port of the external mixer. The 'IF IN' input of the analyzer is connected to the IF port of the external mixer. The signal to be measured is fed to the RF input of the external mixer.

6.1.2 Conversion Loss

The maximum input level depends on the external mixer's conversion loss, the LO drive level to the mixer, and the mixer configuration. Conversion loss is defined as the difference between a test signal directly connected to the RF input of the downconverter (or the IF input) to the signal strength at the output of the external mixer's IF output port for the same drive level. For example, let the desired IF signal be -20dBm at 250MHz. If an external mixer downconverted a -20dBm 30GHz signal to 250MHz but at -44dBm, it would have a conversion loss of 24dB.

In general the maximum input signal to an external mixer's input, the RF port, should be 15dB lower than the mixer's LO drive level to insure proper, linear operation. An external mixer with a +13dBm LO drive level should not have an input above -2dBm, for example. External amplifiers and attenuators could affect this level. Operating well below the LO drive level eliminates RF input compression on the main signal. Although the system will usually have filtering to minimize unwanted mixing products, and will still downconvert larger signals, overdriven input signals can be unfaithfully reproduced at the IF output.

Some instruments allow the definition of conversion loss tables. The Conversion loss table allows the conversion loss of the mixer in the selected band to be taken into account as a function of frequency. Correction values for frequencies between the individual reference values are obtained by interpolation (Linear interpolation). Outside the frequency range covered by the table the conversion loss is assumed to be the same as that for the reference value marking the table limit.

6.2 IviDownconverterExternalMixer Attributes

The IviDownconverterExternalMixer extension group defines the following attributes:

- External Mixer Bias Enabled
- External Mixer Bias Level
- External Mixer Bias Limit
- External Mixer Enabled
- External Mixer Harmonic
- External Mixer Number Of Ports

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each attribute. The actual value for each attribute ID is defined in Section 13, *IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions*.

6.2.1 External Mixer Bias Enabled

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	R/W	N/A	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

ExternalMixer.Bias.Enabled

COM Property Name

ExternalMixer.Bias.Enabled

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_BIAS_ENABLED

Description

If true, the external mixer's bias is enabled. If false, the external mixer's bias is disabled.

.NET Exceptions

6.2.2 External Mixer Bias Level

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	N/A	None	Configure External Mixer Bias

.NET Property Name

ExternalMixer.Bias.Level

COM Property Name

ExternalMixer.Bias.Level

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_BIAS_LEVEL

Description

Specifies the external mixer bias current. The units are Amps.

.NET Exceptions

6.2.3 External Mixer Bias Limit

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	N/A	None	Configure External Mixer Bias

.NET Property Name

ExternalMixer.Bias.Limit

COM Property Name

ExternalMixer.Bias.Limit

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_BIAS_LIMIT

Description

Specifies the external mixer bias current limit. The units are Amps.

.NET Exceptions

6.2.4 External Mixer Enabled

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	R/W	N/A	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

ExternalMixer.Enabled

COM Property Name

ExternalMixer.Enabled

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_ENABLED

Description

If true, the external mixer is enabled. If false, the external mixer is disabled.

.NET Exceptions

6.2.5 External Mixer Harmonic

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViInt32	R/W	N/A	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

ExternalMixer.Harmonic

COM Property Name

ExternalMixer.Harmonic

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_HARMONIC

Description

Specifies the order n of the harmonic used for conversion.

.NET Exceptions

6.2.6 External Mixer Number Of Ports

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViInt32	R/W	N/A	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

ExternalMixer.NumberOfPorts

COM Property Name

ExternalMixer.NumberOfPorts

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_NUMBER_OF_PORTS

Description

Specifies the number of ports.

.NET Exceptions

6.3 IviDownconverterExternalMixer Functions

The IviDownconverterExternalMixer extension group defines the following function:

• Configure External Mixer Bias

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

6.3.1 Configure External Mixer Bias

Description

This function configures the external mixer bias and the external mixer bias limit.

.NET Method Prototype

COM Method Prototype

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Bias	Specifies the bias current. The driver uses this value to set the External Mixer Bias Level attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64
BiasLimit	Specifies the bias current limit. The driver uses this value to set the External Mixer Bias Limit attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

6.4 IviDownconverterExternalMixer Behavior Model

The IviDownconverterExternalMixer extension group follows the same behavior model as the IviDownconverterBase capability group described in Section 4.4, *IviDownconverterBase Behavior Model*.

6.5 IviDownconverterExternalMixer Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterExternalMixer extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

7. IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Extension Group

7.1 IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Overview

The IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Extension Group supports downconverters that can vary (sweep) the frequency of the RF input signal in steps. The user can specify the start, stop and step frequency and set linear or logarithmic spacing. Setting single step and dwell time are also included.

This extension group requires the Frequency Sweep Extension Group. Frequency stepping is enabled by setting the Frequency Sweep Mode to Frequency Step in the IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Extension Group.

7.2 IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Attributes

The IviDownconverterFrequencyStep extension group defines the following attributes:

- Frequency Step Dwell
- Frequency Step Scaling
- Frequency Step Single Step Enabled
- Frequency Step Size
- Frequency Step Start
- Frequency Step Stop

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each attribute. The actual value for each attribute ID is defined in Section 13, *IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions*.

7.2.1 Frequency Step Dwell

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64 (C/COM)	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Step Dwell
PrecisionTimeSpan (.NET)				

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Dwell

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Dwell

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_STEP_DWELL

Description

Specifies the duration of one step. For C and COM, the units are seconds. For .NET, the units are implicit in the $PrecisionTimeSpan\ class$.

The dwell time starts immediately at the start of each step. No settling time is added. This attribute is ignored if the Frequency Step Single Step Enabled attribute is set to True.

.NET Exceptions

7.2.2 Frequency Step Scaling

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViInt32	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Step Start Stop

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Scaling

.NET Enumeration Name

FrequencyStepScaling

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Scaling

COM Enumeration Name

IviDownconverterFrequencyStepScalingEnum

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR FREQUENCY STEP SCALING

Description

Specifies the spacing of the steps.

Defined Values

Name	Description			
		Language	Identifier	
Linear	Enables linear scaling for step sizes in stepped sweeps.			
		.NET	Linear	
		С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_STEP_SCALING_LINEAR	
		COM	IviDownconverterFrequencyStepScalingLinear	
Logarithmic	Enables logarithmic scaling for step sizes in stepped sweeps.			
		.NET Logarithmic		
		C	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_STEP_SCALING_LOGARITHMIC	
		COM	IviDownconverterFrequencyStepScalingLogarithmic	

.NET Exceptions

7.2.3 Frequency Step Single Step Enabled

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Step Dwell

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.SingleStepEnabled

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.SingleStepEnabled

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR FREQUENCY STEP SINGLE STEP ENABLED

Description

If true, single step mode is enabled. If false, single step mode is disabled.

.NET Exceptions

7.2.4 Frequency Step Size

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Step Start Stop

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Size

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Size

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_STEP_SIZE

Description

Specifies the step size. The units are Hertz if the Frequency Step Scaling attribute is set to Linear and unitless (factor) if the Frequency Step Scaling attribute is set to Logarithmic.

.NET Exceptions

7.2.5 Frequency Step Start

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Step Start Stop

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Start

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Start

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR FREQUENCY STEP START

Description

Specifies the start frequency of the stepped sweep. If the stop frequency is less than the start frequency, the frequency decreases during the sweep. The units are Hertz.

.NET Exceptions

7.2.6 Frequency Step Stop

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Step Start Stop

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Stop

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Stop

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR FREQUENCY STEP STOP

Description

Specifies the stop frequency of the stepped sweep.

If the stop frequency is less than the start frequency, the frequency decreases during the sweep. The units are Hertz.

.NET Exceptions

7.3 IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Functions

The IviDownconverterFrequencyStep extension group defines the following function:

- Configure Frequency Step Dwell
- Configure Frequency Step Start Stop
- Reset Frequency Step

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

7.3.1 Configure Frequency Step Dwell

Description

Configures the attributes that control frequency stepping dwell.

.NET Method Prototype

COM Method Prototype

C Prototype

```
ViStatus IviDownconverter_ConfigureFrequencyStepDwell ( ViSession Vi, ViBoolean SingleStepEnabled, ViReal64 Dwell);
```

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
SingleStepEnabled	Specifies whether the trigger initiates the next step. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Step Single Step Enabled attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViBoolean
Dwell	Specifies the duration of one frequency step. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Step Dwell attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

7.3.2 Configure Frequency Step Start Stop

Description

Configures the attributes that control the step frequencies of the downconverter's input frequency. These attributes are start and stop frequency, step size and lin/log scaling. If the stop frequency is less than the start frequency, the frequency decreases during the sweep.

.NET Method Prototype

COM Method Prototype

```
HRESULT RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.ConfigureStartStop ( [in] double Start,
    [in] double Stop,
    [in] IviDownconverterFrequencyStepScalingEnum Scaling,
    [in] double StepSize);
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Start	Specifies the start frequency of the sweep. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Step Start attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64
Stop	Specifies the stop frequency of the sweep. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Step Stop attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64
Scaling	Specifies the scaling of the step sweep. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Step Scaling attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViInt32
StepSize	Specifies the size of one step. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Step Size attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Defined Values for the Scaling Parameter

Name	D	Description				
		Language	Identifier			
Linear	Eı	Enables linear scaling for step sizes in stepped sweeps.				
		.NET	Linear			
		С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_STEP_SCALING_LINEAR			
		COM	IviDownconverterFrequencyStepScalingLinear			
Logarithmic	Enables logarithmic scaling for step sizes in stepped sweeps.					
	.NET Logarithmic		Logarithmic			
		С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_STEP_SCALING_LOGARITHMIC			
		COM	IviDownconverterFrequencyStepScalingLogarithmic			

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

7.3.3 Reset Frequency Step

Description

Resets the current frequency step to the frequency step start value

.NET Method Prototype

```
void RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Reset ();
```

COM Method Prototype

```
HRESULT RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step.Reset ();
```

C Prototype

ViStatus IviDownconverter ResetFrequencyStep (ViSession Vi);

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

7.4 IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Behavior Model

The following state diagram shows the behavior of the IviDownconverterFrequencyStep extension group.

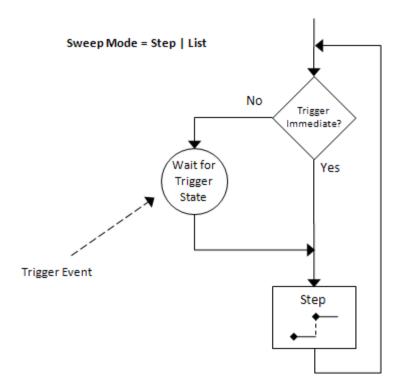


Figure 7-1. IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Behavior Model

Setting the Frequency Sweep Trigger Source attribute to "Immediate" will continuously generate frequency steps from start to stop with fixed increments (steps). The duration of one step is defined with Frequency Step Dwell Time. Setting the Frequency Sweep Trigger Source attribute to "External" or "Software" will delay the start of the next step until the specified trigger event occurs. This is shown in Figure 7-2 below.

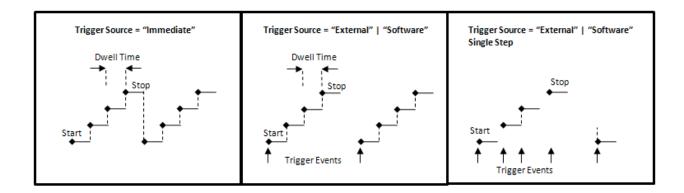


Figure 7-2. Frequency StepTiming

In addition the following rules apply:

- 1. When a call to Configure RF Input Frequency of the base capability group is made, the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is set to None, hence stopping any sweeps that may have been in progress.
- 2. When the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is set to Frequency Step, setting the RF Input Frequency attribute of the base capability group will set the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute to None.
- 3. When the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is changed from any sweep mode to None, the downconverter will use the previously set value of the RF Input Frequency attribute of the base capability group.

7.5 IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterFrequencyStep extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

8. IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Extension Group

8.1 IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Overview

The IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Extension Group supports downconverters that can apply a sweep to the RF input frequency. The user may configure the sweep with start and stop frequencies and may also set the sweep time.

8.2 IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Attributes

The IviDownconverterFrequencySweep extension group defines the following attributes:

- Frequency Sweep Mode
- Frequency Sweep Start
- Frequency Sweep Stop
- Frequency Sweep Time
- Frequency Sweep Trigger Source
- Is Sweeping

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each attribute. The actual value for each attribute ID is defined in Section 13, *IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions*.

8.2.1 Frequency Sweep Mode

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViInt32	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Sweep

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Mode

.NET Enumeration Name

FrequencySweepMode

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Mode

COM Enumeration Name

 ${\tt IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeEnum}$

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR FREQUENCY SWEEP MODE

Description

Specifies the sweep mode of the RF input signal.

Defined Values

Name	Description	Description						
	Language	Identifier						
None	The RF input of the downconverter is a non-swept signal (continuous wave). Frequency settings from the base capability group are used.							
	.NET	None						
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_NONE						
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeNone						
Sweep	The downconverter sweeps the RF input signal frequency in analog form (non-stepped). Refer to IviDownconverterAnalogyFrequencySweep extension group.							
	.NET	Sweep						
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_SWEEP						
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeSweep						
Step	The downconverter sweeps the RF input signal frequency in steps. Refer to IviDownconverterFrequencyStep extension group.							
	.NET	Step						
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_STEP						

	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeStep			
List		erter uses a list to sweep the RF input signal frequency. Refer to terFrequencySweepList extension group.			
	.NET	List			
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_LIST			
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeList			

Compliance Notes

- 1. The driver shall implement the None value for this attribute.
- 2. If an IVI Class-Compliant specific driver implements any of the defined values in the following table, it shall also implement the corresponding capability group:

Value	Required Capability Group	
Sweep	IviDownconverterFrequencySweep	
Step	IviDownconverterFrequencyStep	
List	IviDownconverterFrequencyList	

.NET Exceptions

8.2.2 Frequency Sweep Start

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Sweep Start Stop

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Analog.Start

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Analog.Start

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR FREQUENCY SWEEP START

Description

Specifies the start frequency of the LO sweep. If the stop frequency is less than the start frequency, the frequency decreases during the sweep. The units are Hertz

.NET Exceptions

8.2.3 Frequency Sweep Stop

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Sweep Start Stop

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Analog.Stop

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Analog.Stop

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_STOP

Description

Specifies the stop frequency of the LO sweep. If the stop frequency is less than the start frequency, the frequency decreases during the sweep. The units are Hertz.

.NET Exceptions

8.2.4 Frequency Sweep Time

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64 (C/COM)	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Sweep Time (IVI-C Only)
PrecisionTimeSpan (.NET)				

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Analog.Time

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.Analog.Time

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_TIME

Description

Specifies the duration of one LO sweep from start to stop frequency. For C and COM, the units are seconds. For IVI.NET, the units are implicit in the PrecisionTimeSpan class.

.NET Exceptions

8.2.5 Frequency Sweep Trigger Source

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViString	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Sweep

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.TriggerSource

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.TriggerSource

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_TRIGGER_SOURCE

Description

Specifies the trigger used to start an LO sweep operation.

Defined Values

In IVI.NET the trigger source is a string. If an IVI driver supports a trigger source and the trigger source is listed in IVI-3.3 *Cross Class Capabilities Specification*, Section 3 then the IVI driver shall accept the standard string for that trigger source. This attribute is case insensitive, but case preserving. That is the setting is case insensitive but when reading it back the programmed case is returned. IVI specific drivers may define new trigger source strings for trigger sources that are not defined by IVI-3.3 *Cross Class Capabilities Specification* if needed.

Compliance Notes

1. The specific driver need not support all of the trigger source values defined in *Chapter 18: IviDownconverter Attribute Value Definitions*.

.NET Exceptions

8.2.6 Is Sweeping

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	RO	N/A	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.IsSweeping

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.IsSweeping

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IS_SWEEPING

Description

Indicates if the downconverter is currently sweeping the RF input frequency.

.NET Exceptions

8.3 IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Functions

The IviDownconverterFrequencySweep extension group defines the following function:

- Configure Frequency Sweep
- Configure Frequency Sweep Start Stop
- Configure Frequency Sweep Time (IVI-C Only)
- Wait Until Frequency Sweep Complete

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

8.3.1 Configure Frequency Sweep

Description

Configures the whether the downconverter's RF input frequency is fixed, swept, or stepped.

.NET Method Prototype

COM Method Prototype

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Mode	Specifies the frequency sweep mode of the downconverter. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViInt32
TriggerSource	Specifies the way to trigger source used to start a sweep or whether the sweep should run continuously. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Sweep Trigger Source attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViConstString

Defined Values for the Mode Parameter

Name	Description				
	Language	Identifier			
None		F input of the downconverter is a non-swept signal (continuous wave). Frequency gs from the base capability group are used.			
	.NET	None			
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_NONE			
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeNone			
Sweep	The downconverter sweeps the RF input signal frequency in analog form (non-stepped). Refe to IviDownconverterAnalogyFrequencySweep extension group.				
	.NET Sweep				
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_SWEEP			
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeSweep			

Step	The downconverter sweeps the RF input signal frequency in steps. Refer to IviDownconverterFrequencyStep extension group.				
	.NET	Step			
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_STEP			
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeStep			
List		rnconverter uses a list to sweep the RF input signal frequency. Refer to aconverterFrequencySweepList extension group.			
	.NET	List			
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_LIST			
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeList			

Defined Values for the TriggerSource Parameter

The defined values for this parameter are listed with the Frequency Sweep Trigger Source attribute.

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

8.3.2 Configure Frequency Sweep Start Stop

Description

Configures the start and stop frequency attributes that control the frequency sweep of the RF input signal. If the stop frequency is less than the start frequency, the frequency decreases during the sweep.

.NET Method Prototype

COM Method Prototype

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Start	Specifies the start frequency of the sweep. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Sweep Start attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64
Stop	Specifies the stop frequency of the sweep. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Sweep Stop attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

8.3.3 Configure Frequency Sweep Time (IVI-C Only)

Description

Sets the duration of one frequency sweep.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the RFInput.FrequencySweep.Analog.Time property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the RFInput.FrequencySweep.Analog.Time property)
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
SweepTime	Specifies the duration of the frequency sweep. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Sweep Time attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

8.3.4 Wait Until Frequency Sweep Complete

Description

Waits until the configured frequency sweep is complete. If no frequency sweep is currently running, this function returns immediately. If the sweep does not complete within the time period the user specified with the MaxTimeMilliseconds parameter, the function returns the Max Time Exceeded error.

.NET Method Prototype

void RFInput.FrequencySweep.WaitUntilComplete (PrecisionTimeSpan maxTime);

COM Method Prototype

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
MaxTimeMilliseconds	Specifies the maximum time the end-user allows for this function to complete. The units are milliseconds. Defined values: Max Time Immediate - The function returns immediately. If the sweep has not completed, the function returns an error. Max Time Infinite - The function waits indefinitely for the frequency sweep to complete.	ViInt32
maxTime	Specifies the maximum time the end-user allows for this function to complete. The units are implicit in the PrecisionTimeSpan type. Defined values: PrecisionTimeSpan.Zero - The function returns immediately. If the sweep has not completed, the function returns an error. PrecisionTimeSpan.MaxValue - The function waits indefinitely for the frequency sweep to complete.	PrecisionTimeSpan

Defined Values for the MaxTimeMilliseconds Parameter (C/COM)

Name	De	Description			
		Language Identifier			
Max Time Immediate	The	The function returns immediately.			
		С	C IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_MAX_TIME_IMMEDIATE		
		COM IviDownconverterTimeOutImmediate			

Max Time Infinite	The function waits indefinitely for the frequency sweep to complete.			
		C	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_MAX_TIME_INFINITE	
		COM	IviDownconverterTimeOutInfinite	

Defined Values for the maxTime Parameter (.NET)

Name	Description			
		Language	Identifier	
Zero	Set	Sets timeout to immediate. The function returns immediately.		
		.NET	TimeSpan.Zero	
MaxValue		Sets timeout to infinite. The function waits indefinitely for the frequency sweep to complete.		
		.NET	TimeSpan.MaxValue	

Return Values (C/COM)

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general status codes that this function can return. The table below specifies additional class-defined status codes for this function.

Completion Codes	Description
Max Time Exceeded	Error: Maximum time exceeded before the operation completed.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this method. The table below specifies additional class-defined exceptions for this method.

Note that the .NET MaxTimeExceededException is defined in IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification.

Compliance Notes

The specific instrument driver is not required to support any of the defined values for the MaxTimeMilliseconds parameter.

8.4 IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Behavior Model

The following state diagram shows the behavior of the IviDownconverterFrequencySweep extension group.

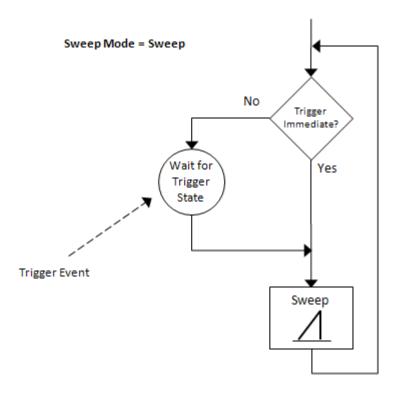


Figure 8-1. Frequency Sweep Behavior Model

Setting the Frequency Sweep Trigger Source attribute to "Immediate" will continuously generate sweeps The duration of one sweep from start to stop is defined by the Frequency Sweep Time attribute. Setting the Frequency Sweep Trigger Source attribute to "External" or "Software" will delay the start of the next sweep until the specified trigger event occurs. This is shown below in Figure 8-2 below.

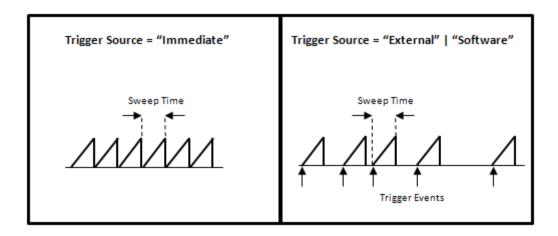


Figure 8-2. Frequency Sweep Timing

In addition the following rules apply:

- 1. When a call to Configure RF Input Frequency of the base capability group is made, the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is set to None, hence stopping any sweeps that may have been in progress.
- 2. When the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is set to Frequency Step, setting the RF Input Frequency attribute of the base capability group will set the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute to None.
- 3. When the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is changed from any sweep mode to None, the downconverter will use the previously set value of the RF Input Frequency attribute of the base capability group.

8.5 IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterFrequencySweep extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

9. IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList Extension Group

9.1 IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList Overview

The IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList Extension Group supports signal generators that can set the frequency of the RF input signal to values given as a list of values. The user can enable or disable stepping the frequency, specify the name of the frequency list and set its values. The active list can be selected using the list name. Setting single step and dwell time are also included.

This extension group requires the IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Extension Group. List stepping is enabled by setting the Frequency Sweep Mode to List in the IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Extension Group.

9.2 IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList Attributes

The IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList extension group defines the following attributes:

- Frequency Sweep List Dwell
- Frequency Sweep List Selected Name
- Frequency Sweep List Single Step Enabled

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each attribute. The actual value for each attribute ID is defined in Section 13, *IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions*.

9.2.1 Frequency Sweep List Dwell

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64 (C/COM)	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Sweep List Dwell
PrecisionTimeSpan (.NET)				

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.List.Dwell

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.List.Dwell

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_LIST_DWELL

Description

Specifies the duration of one step. For C and COM, the units are seconds. For .NET, the units are implicit in the PrecisionTimeSpan type. This attribute is ignored if the Frequency Sweep List Single Step Enabled attribute is set to True.

.NET Exceptions

9.2.2 Frequency Sweep List Selected Name

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViString	R/W	N/A	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.List.SelectedName

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.List.SelectedName

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_LIST_SELECTED_NAME

Description

Specifies the name of the selected list to become active. The name shall be one of the lists created .

.NET Exceptions

9.2.3 Frequency Sweep List Single Step Enabled

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Frequency Sweep List Dwell

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.List.SingleStepEnabled

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.List.SingleStepEnabled

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_LIST_SINGLE_STEP_ENABLED

Description

Enables or disables single step mode.

.NET Exceptions

9.3 IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList Functions

The IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList extension group defines the following function:

- Clear All Frequency Sweep Lists
- Configure Frequency Sweep List Dwell
- Create Frequency Sweep List
- Reset Frequency Sweep List

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

9.3.1 Clear All Frequency Sweep Lists

Description

Deletes all lists from the pool of defined lists.

.NET Method Prototype

```
void RFInput.FrequencySweep.List.ClearAll ();
```

COM Method Prototype

```
HRESULT RFInput.FrequencySweep.List.ClearAll ();
```

C Prototype

ViStatus IviDownconverter ClearAllFrequencySweepLists (ViSession Vi);

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

9.3.2 Configure Frequency Sweep List Dwell

Description

Configures the attributes that control frequency list stepping.

.NET Method Prototype

COM Method Prototype

C Prototype

```
ViStatus IviDownconverter_ConfigureFrequencySweepListDwell (ViSession Vi, ViBoolean SingleStepEnabled, ViReal64 Dwell);
```

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
SingleStepEnabled	Specifies whether the trigger initiates the next step. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Sweep List Single Step Enabled attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViBoolean
Dwell	Specifies the duration of one frequency step. The driver uses this value to set the Frequency Sweep List Dwell attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

9.3.3 Create Frequency Sweep List

Description

Creates a named list of frequency values.

.NET Method Prototype

COM Method Prototype

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Name	Specifies the name of the frequency list to be created.	ViConstString
FrequencyListBuf ferSize	Specifies the number of elements in the frequency list,	ViInt32
FrequencyList	Specifies the array of frequency values to become elements of the list. The array must have at least as many elements as the value in the FrequencyListBufferSize parameter. The units are Hertz.	

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

9.3.4 Reset Frequency Sweep List

Description

Resets the current list to the first entry value.

.NET Method Prototype

```
void RFInput.FrequencySweep.List.Reset ();
```

COM Method Prototype

```
HRESULT RFInput.FrequencySweep.List.Reset ();
```

C Prototype

ViStatus IviDownconverter ResetFrequencySweepList (ViSession Vi);

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

9.4 IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList Behavior Model

The IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList extension group follows the same behavior model as the IviDownconverterFrequencyStep capability group described in Section 7.4, *IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Behavior Model*. The only difference between the two behavior models is that instead of the stepped sweep proceeding from a Start frequency to a Stop frequency, the steps in the IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList Extension group are generated from a list of frequencies.

In addition the following rules apply:

- 1. When a call to Configure RF Input Frequency of the base capability group is made, the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is set to None, hence stopping any sweeps that may have been in progress.
- 2. When the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is set to List Mode, setting the RF Input Frequency attribute of the base capability group will set the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute to None.
- 3. When the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is changed from any sweep mode to None, the downconverter will use the previously set value of the RF Input Frequency attribute of the base capability group.

9.5 IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

10. IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation Extension Group

10.1 IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation Overview

The IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation Extension Group supports downconverters with the ability to return frequency band information for frequency sweeps.

10.2 IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation Attributes

The IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation extension group defines the following attributes:

• Number of Band Crossings

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each attribute. The actual value for each attribute ID is defined in Section 13, *IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions*.

10.2.1 Number of Bands

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViInt32	RO	N/A	None	N/A

.NET Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.NumberOfBands

COM Property Name

RFInput.FrequencySweep.NumberOfBands

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_NUM_BANDS

Description

Returns the number of frequency bands that will be returned from a call to the Get Band Crossing Info function. The count returned here indicates the number of start-stop frequency pairs.

.NET Exceptions

10.3 IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation Functions

The IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation extension group defines the following function:

• Get Band Crossing Info

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

10.3.1 Get Band Crossing Info

Description

This function returns the band crossing information for sweeps. Sweep timing is influenced by points in the sweep where frequency bands are crossed. This function returns pairs of start/stop frequencies over which the sweep timing is constant. Sweep timing between different pairs of start/stop frequencies is variable. Thus, users may choose to use the Wait Until Settled function between sweeps across bands. The bands are returned in ascending order of frequency. The Number of Bands attribute can be used to determine how many pairs of frequencies will be returned by this function.

.NET Method Prototype

```
struct Band
{
    public Band (Double startFrequency, Double stopFrequency);
    public Double StartFrequency { get; }
    public Double StopFrequency { get; }
}
Band[] RFInput.FrequencySweep.GetBandInformation ();
```

COM Method Prototype

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle	ViSession
BufferSize	Specifies the number of elements in the StartFrequencies and StopFrequencies arrays.	ViInt32

Outputs	Description	Base Type
StartFrequencies (C/COM)	A user-allocated (for IVI-C) or driver allocated (for IVI-COM) buffer into which the start frequencies for each band are stored. Each value is paired with the corresponding element in the StopFrequencies output array. The frequencies are returned in ascending order. The units are Hertz.	ViReal64[]

StopFrequencies (C/COM)	A user-allocated (for IVI-C) or driver allocated (for IVI-COM) buffer into which the stop frequencies for each band are stored. Each value is paired with the corresponding element in the StartFrequencies output array. The frequencies are returned in ascending order. The units are Hertz.	
ActualNumFrequencies	Number of frequency values actually returned in each frequency output array.	ViInt32
Return Value (.NET)	An array of start and stop frequency pairs over which the sweep timing is constant. The frequencies are returned in ascending order. The units are Hertz.	Band[]

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this method.

10.4 IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation Behavior Model

The IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation extension group follows the same behavior model as the IviDownconverterBase capability group described in Section 4.4, *IviDownconverterBase Behavior Model*.

10.5 IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

11. IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger Extension Group

11.1 IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger Overview

The IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger Extension Group supports downconverters that can generate output based on a software trigger signal. The user can send a software trigger to start a frequency sweep or to initiate the next frequency step

This extension affects instrument behavior when the Frequency Sweep Trigger Source attribute is set to Software Trigger.

11.2 IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger Functions

The IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger extension group defines the following function:

Send Software Trigger

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

11.2.1 Send Software Trigger

Refer to *IVI-3.3: Standard Cross Class Capabilities, Section 2 Software Triggering Capability* for the prototype and complete description of this function.

11.3 IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger Behavior Model

The IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger extension group follows the same behavior model as the IviDownconverterBase capability group described in Section 4.4, *IviDownconverterBase Behavior Model*.

11.4 IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

In addition, the following rules apply:

- 1. If a specific driver implements the IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger Extension Group, it shall also implement the IviDownconverterFrequencySweep extension group.
- 2. If a specific driver implements the IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger Extension, it shall implement the value Software Trigger for the Frequency Sweep Trigger Source attribute.

12. IviDownconverterlFFilter Extension Group

12.1 IviDownconverterIFFilter Overview

The IviDownconverterIFFilter extension group supports downconverters with the ability to configure a filter on the IF output. It defines a single attribute and an associated configure function.

12.2 IviDownconverterIFFilter Attributes

The IviDownconverterIFFilter extension group defines the following attributes:

• IF Output Filter Bandwidth

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each attribute. The actual value for each attribute ID is defined in Section 13, *IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions*.

12.2.1 IF Output Filter Bandwidth

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions	
ViReal64	R/W	IFOutput	Up	Configure IF Output Filter Bandwidth (IVI-C Only)	

.NET Property Name

IFOutput.FilterBandwidth

COM Property Name

IFOutput.FilterBandwidth

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IF_OUTPUT_FILTER_BANDWIDTH

Description

Specifies the maximum effective IF signal bandwidth that the downconverter's active IF Output can present to the digitizer. The units are Hertz.

This value is a measure of the spectral width between two points for which the amplitude profile is 3 dB below a peak close to mid band.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this property.

12.3 IviDownconverterIFFilter Functions

The IviDownconverterIFFilter extension group defines the following function:

• Configure IF Output Filter Bandwidth

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

12.3.1 Configure IF Output Filter Bandwidth (IVI-C Only)

Description

Configures the IF output filter bandwidth.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the IFOutput.FilterBandwidth property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
{\rm N/A} (use the IFOutput.FilterBandwidth property)
```

C Prototype

ViStatus IviDownconverter_ConfigureIFOutputFilterBandwidth (ViSession Vi, ViReal64 Bandwidth);

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Bandwidth	Specifies the maximum effective IF signal bandwidth that the downconverter's active IF Output can present to the digitizer. The driver uses this value to set the IF Output Filter Bandwidth attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

12.4 IviDownconverterIFFilter Behavior Model

The IviDownconverterIFFilter extension group follows the same behavior model as the IviDownconverterBase capability group described in Section 4.4, *IviDownconverterBase Behavior Model*.

12.5 IviDownconverterlFFilter Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterIFFilter extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

13. IviDownconverterPreselector Extension Group

13.1 IviDownconverterPreselector Overview

The IviDownconverterPreselector extension group supports downconverters with the ability to bypass the preselection filter. It defines a single attribute and an associated configure function.

13.2 IviDownconverterPreselector Attributes

The IviDownconverterPreselector extension group defines the following attributes:

• Preselector Enabled

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each attribute. The actual value for each attribute ID is defined in Section 13, *IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions*.

13.2.1 Preselector Enabled

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	R/W	RFInput	None	Configure Preselector Enabled (IVI-C Only)

.NET Property Prototype

RFInput.PreselectorEnabled

COM Property Name

RFInput.PreselectorEnabled

C Constant Name

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Description

If True, enables bypassing the downconverter's pre-selection filter for the active RF Input. If False, disables bypassing the downconverter's pre-selection filter for the active RF Input.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this property.

13.3 IviDownconverterPreselector Functions

The IviDownconverterPreselector extension group defines the following function:

• Configure Preselector Enabled

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

13.3.1 Configure Preselector Enabled (IVI-C Only)

Description

Configures whether or not to bypass the preselection filter for the active RF Input.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the RFInput.PreselectorEnabled property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
\ensuremath{\text{N/A}} (use the RFInput.PreselectorEnabled property)
```

C Prototype

ViStatus IviDownconverter_ConfigurePreselectorEnabled (ViSession Vi, ViBoolean Enabled);

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Enabled	Specifies whether or not to bypass the preselection filter. The driver uses this value to set the Preselector Enabled attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViBoolean

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

13.4 IviDownconverterPreselector Behavior Model

The IviDownconverterPreselector extension group follows the same behavior model as the IviDownconverterBase capability group described in Section 4.4, *IviDownconverterBase Behavior Model*.

13.5 IviDownconverterPreselector Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterPreselector extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

14. IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth Extension Group

14.1 IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth Overview

The IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth extension group supports downconverters with the ability to apply video bandwidth detection at the IF output. It defines a single attribute and an associated configure function.

14.2 IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth Attributes

The IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth extension group defines the following attributes:

• IF Output Video Detector Bandwidth

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each attribute. The actual value for each attribute ID is defined in Section 13, *IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions*.

14.2.1 IF Output Video Detector Bandwidth

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	IFOutput	Up	Configure IF Output Video Detector Bandwidth (IVI-C Only)

.NET Property Name

IFOutput.VideoDetectorBandwidth

COM Property Name

IFOutput.VideoDetectorBandwidth

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IF_OUTPUT_VIDEO_DETECTOR_BANDWIDTH

Description

Specifies the 3 dB bandwidth of the active IF output video detection filter. The units are Hertz.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this property.

14.3 IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth Functions

The IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth extension group defines the following function:

• Video Detector Bandwidth

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

14.3.1 Configure IF Output Video Detector Bandwidth (IVI-C Only)

Description

Configures the bandwidth of the active IF output video detector.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the IFOutput. VideoDetectorBandwidth property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
{\ensuremath{\mathbb{N}/\mathtt{A}}} (use the <code>IFOutput.VideoDetectorBandwidth property)</code>
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Bandwidth	Specifies the bandwidth of the IF output video detection filter. The driver uses this value to set the IF Output Video Detector Bandwidth attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

14.4 IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth Behavior Model

The IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth extension group follows the same behavior model as the IviDownconverterBase capability group described in Section 4.4, *IviDownconverterBase Behavior Model*.

14.5 IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

15. IviDownconverterCalibration Extension Group

15.1 IviDownconverterCalibration Overview

The IviDownconverterCalibration extension capability group supports downconverters that can perform self-calibration. The IviDownconverterCalibration capability group defines functions to perform the calibration.

15.2 IviDownconverterCalibration Functions

The IviDownconverterCalibration extension group defines the following function:

- Calibrate
- Is Calibration Complete
- IsCalibrated

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

15.2.1 Calibrate

Description

This function performs calibration on the entire device. This call can be blocking or can be non-blocking, depending on the instrument implementation. If it is non-blocking, the user may use the Is Calibration Complete function to determine when the calibration is complete.

For IVI.NET, this method throws an exception if the instrument does not support programmatic calibration operations.

.NET Method Prototype

```
void Calibration.Calibrate();
```

COM Method Prototype

```
HRESULT RFInput.Calibrate();
```

C Prototype

ViStatus IviDownconverter Calibrate (ViSession Vi);

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this method.

15.2.2 Is Calibration Complete

Description

This function queries the instrument to determine the status of all calibration operations initiated by the Calibrate function. This function returns the Calibration Complete value in the Status parameter only when calibration is complete.

If some calibration operations are still in progress, the driver returns the Calibration In Progress value. If the driver cannot query the instrument to determine its state, the driver returns the Calibration Status Unknown value.

This function does not check the instrument status. Typically, the end-user calls this function only in a sequence of calls to other low-level driver functions. The sequence performs one operation. The end-user uses the low-level functions to optimize one or more aspects of interaction with the instrument. To check the instrument status, call the Error Query function at the conclusion of the sequence.

.NET Method Prototype

CalibrationStatus Calibration.GetCalibrationStatus();

COM Method Prototype

HRESULT RFInput.IsCalibrationComplete(IviDownconverterCalibrationStatusEnum*
Status);

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession

Outputs	ts Description			
Status (C/COM)	Status (C/COM) Returns the status of the calibration operation.			
Return Value (.NET)	rectains the status of the canonation operation.			

Defined Values for the Status Parameter

Name	Description		
		Language	Identifier
Calibration Complete	The downconverter has completed the calibration.		
		.NET	Complete

	i				
		C	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATION_COMPLETE		
		COM	IviDownconverterCalibrationStatusComplete		
Calibration In	Th	The downconverter is still performing the calibration.			
Progress		.NET	InProgress		
		С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATION_IN_PROGRESS		
		COM	IviDownconverterCalibrationStatusInProgress		
Calibration Status	ation Status The downconverter cannot determine the status of the calil		rter cannot determine the status of the calibration.		
Unknown		.NET	Unknown		
		С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATION_STATUS_UNKNOWN		
		COM	IviDownconverterCalibrationStatusUnknown		
Calibration Failed	Th	e downconv	erter calibration failed.		
		.NET	Failed		
		С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATION_FAILED		
		COM	IviDownconverterCalibrationStatusFailed		

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this method.

15.2.3 Is Calibrated

Description

This function queries the instrument to determine the whether the instrument is currently in a valid self-calibrated state or whether it needs to be calibrated. This function returns the Calibrated value in the Status parameter when the device does not need further self-calibration.

If it does need self-calibration, the driver returns the Uncalibrated value. If the driver cannot query the instrument to determine its state, the driver returns the Calibrated Status Unknown value.

This function does not check the instrument status. Typically, the end-user calls this function only in a sequence of calls to other low-level driver functions. The sequence performs one operation. The end-user uses the low-level functions to optimize one or more aspects of interaction with the instrument. To check the instrument status, call the Error Query function at the conclusion of the sequence.

.NET Method Prototype

CalibratedStatus Calibration.GetCalibratedStatus();

COM Method Prototype

HRESULT RFInput.IsCalibrated(IviDownconverterCalibratedStatusEnum* Status);

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession

Outputs	Description	Base Type
Status (C/COM)	Returns the status of the calibration operation.	ViInt32
Return Value (.NET)	Returns the status of the calibration operation.	ViInt32

Defined Values for the Status Parameter

Name	De	Description				
		Language Identifier				
Calibrated	The	downconverter is calibrated.				
		.NET	NET Calibrated			
		С	C IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATED			
		COM	COM IviDownconverterCalibratedStatusCalibrated			

Uncalibrated	Th	The downconverter requires further calibration.				
		.NET Uncalibrated				
		С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_UNCALIBRATED			
		COM	IviDownconverterCalibratedStatusUncalibrated			
Calibrated Status	The downconverter cannot determine the status of the calibration.					
Unknown	.NI		Unknown			
		С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATED_STATUS_UNKNOWN			
		COM	IviDownconverterCalibratedStatusUnknown			

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this method.

15.3 IviDownconverterCalibration Behavior Model

The IviDownconverterCalibration extension group follows the same behavior model as the IviDownconverterBase capability group described in Section 4.4, *IviDownconverterBase Behavior Model*.

15.4 IviDownconverterCalibration Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterCalibration extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

16. IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator Extension Group

16.1 IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator Overview

The IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator extension group supports downconverters with a configurable frequency reference.

16.2 IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator Attributes

The IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator extension group defines the following attributes:

- Reference Oscillator External Frequency
- Reference Oscillator Source
- Reference Oscillator Output Enabled

This section describes the behavior and requirements of each attribute. The actual value for each attribute ID is defined in Section 17, *IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions*.

16.2.1 Reference Oscillator External Frequency

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViReal64	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Reference Oscillator

.NET Property Name

ReferenceOscillator.ExternalFrequency

COM Property Name

ReferenceOscillator.ExternalFrequency

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_EXTERNAL_FREQUENCY

Description

Specifies the frequency of the external signal that is used as reference for internal RF frequency generation. This value is used only if Reference Oscillator Source is set to External. The units are Hertz.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this property.

16.2.2 Reference Oscillator Source

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViInt32 (C/COM)	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Reference Oscillator
ViString (.NET)				

.NET Property Name

ReferenceOscillator.Source

.NET Enumeration Name

ReferenceOscillatorSource

COM Property Name

ReferenceOscillator.Source

COM Enumeration Name

IviDownconverterReferenceOscillatorSourceEnum

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR REFERENCE OSCILLATOR SOURCE

Description

Specifies the reference oscillator source used to generate the precise RF output frequency.

Defined Values

In IVI.NET the reference oscillator source is a string. If an IVI driver supports a reference oscillator source and the reference oscillator source is listed in IVI-3.3 *Cross Class Capabilities Specification*, Section 3, then the IVI driver shall accept the standard string for that reference oscillator source. This attribute is case insensitive, but case preserving. That is, the setting is case insensitive but when reading it back the programmed case is returned. IVI specific drivers may define new reference oscillator source strings for reference oscillator sources that are not defined by IVI-3.3 *Cross Class Capabilities Specification* if needed.

Name	Description				
		Language	Identifier		
Internal	Th	e downconver	rter uses the internal reference oscillator.		
	С		IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_SOURC E_INTERNAL		
		COM	IviDownconverterReferenceOscillatorSourceIntern al		
External	Th	The downconverter uses an external reference oscillator.			
		C IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR E_EXTERNAL			
		COM	<pre>IviDownconverterReferenceOscillatorSourceExtern al</pre>		

Compliance Notes

- 1. If an IVI-C class driver defines additional values for this attribute, the actual values shall be greater than or equal to IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_CLASS_EXT_BASE and less than IVIDOWNCONVERTER VAL REFERENCE OSCILLATOR SPECIFIC EXT BASE.
- 2. If an IVI-C specific driver defines additional values for this attribute, the actual values shall be greater than or equal to IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_SPECIFIC_EXT_BASE.
- 3. When an IVI-COM specific driver implements this attribute with additional elements in its instrument specific interfaces, the actual values of the additional elements shall be greater than or equal to Reference Oscillator Specific Ext Base.

See Section Attribute Value Definitions, for the definitions of Reference Oscillator Specific Ext Base, IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_SPECIFIC_EXT_BASE and IVIDOWNCONVERTER VAL REFERENCE OSCILLATOR CLASS EXT BASE.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this property.

16.2.3 Reference Oscillator Output Enabled

Data Type	Access	Applies To	Coercion	High Level Functions
ViBoolean	R/W	N/A	None	Configure Reference Oscillator Output Enabled (IVI-C Only)

.NET Property Name

ReferenceOscillator.OutputEnabled

COM Property Name

ReferenceOscillator.OutputEnabled

C Constant Name

IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_OUTPUT_ENABLED

Description

If True, the Reference output is enabled. If False, the Reference output is disabled.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this property.

16.3 IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator Functions

The IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator extension group defines the following function:

- Configure Reference Oscillator
- Configure Reference Oscillator Output Enabled

This section describes the behavior and requirements of this function.

16.3.1 Configure Reference Oscillator

Description

Configures the downconverter's reference oscillator.

.NET Method Prototype

COM Method Prototype

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Source	Specifies the source of the reference frequency signal. The driver uses this value to set the Reference Oscillator Source attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViConstString (C/COM) ViString (.NET)
Frequency	Specifies the frequency of the external reference oscillator. This parameter is only used if the Source is set to External. The driver uses this value to set the Reference Oscillator External Frequency attribute. See the attribute description for more details.	ViReal64

Defined Values for the Source Parameter

Name	Description						
		Language	Identifier				
Internal	Tl	he downconve	erter uses the internal reference oscillator.				
		С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_SOURCE_INTERNAL				
		COM	IviDownconverterReferenceOscillatorSourceInternal				
External	Tl	The downconverter uses an external reference oscillator.					
		C	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_SOURCE_EXTERNAL				
		COM	IviDownconverterReferenceOscillatorSourceExternal				

Return Values (C/COM)

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

.NET Exceptions

The *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification* defines general exceptions that may be thrown, and warning events that may be raised, by this method.

16.3.2 Configure Reference Oscillator Output Enabled (IVI-C Only)

Description

Configures the downconverter's reference oscillator output. Many downconverters support the ability to output their frequency reference. This function allows the user to enable or disable that output.

.NET Method Prototype

```
N/A (use the ReferenceOscillator.OutputEnabled property)
```

COM Method Prototype

```
\ensuremath{\text{N/A}} (use the ReferenceOscillator.OutputEnabled property)
```

C Prototype

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
Vi	Instrument handle.	ViSession
Enabled	Enables the frequency reference output.	ViBoolean

Return Values

The IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification defines general status codes that this function can return.

16.4 IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator Behavior Model

The IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator extension group follows the same behavior model as the IviDownconverterBase capability group described in Section 4.4, *IviDownconverterBase Behavior Model*.

16.5 IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator Compliance Notes

For a specific driver to comply with the IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator extension, it shall be compliant with the IviDownconverterBase capability group and it shall implement all of the attributes and functions listed in this section.

17. IviDownconverter Attribute ID Definitions

Table 17-1. IviDownconverter Attributes ID Values

Attribute Name	ID Definition
Active IF Output	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 0
Active RF Input	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 1
External LO Enabled	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 2
External LO Frequency	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 3
IF Output Count	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 4
IF Output Enabled	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 5
IF Output Frequency	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 6
IF Output Gain	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 7
Is Settled	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 8
RF Input Attenuation	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 9
RF Input Coupling	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 10
RF Input Count	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 11
RF Input Frequency	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 12
Bypass	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 100
External Mixer Enabled	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 110
External Mixer Bias Level	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 111
External Mixer Bias Limit	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 112
External Mixer Bias Enabled	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 113
External Mixer Harmonic	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 114
External Mixer Number Of Ports	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 115
Frequency Step Dwell	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 200
Frequency Step Scaling	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 201
Frequency Step Single Step Enabled	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 202
Frequency Step Size	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 203
Frequency Step Start	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 204
Frequency Step Stop	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 205
Frequency Sweep Mode	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 210
Frequency Sweep Start	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 211
Frequency Sweep Stop	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 212
Frequency Sweep Time	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 213
Frequency Sweep Trigger Source	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 214
Is Sweeping	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 215
Frequency Sweep List Dwell	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 220
Frequency Sweep List Selected Name	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 221

Table 17-1. IviDownconverter Attributes ID Values

Attribute Name	ID Definition
Frequency Sweep List Single Step Enabled	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 222
Number of Bands	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 300
IF Output Filter Bandwidth	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 310
Preselector Enabled	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 320
IF Output Video Detector Bandwidth	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 330
RF Input Corrections Enabled	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 340
Reference Oscillator External Frequency	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 341
Reference Oscillator Source	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 342
Reference Oscillator Output Enabled	IVI_CLASS_ATTR_BASE + 343

18. IviDownconverter Attribute Value Definitions

This section specifies the actual value for each defined attribute value.

Frequency Step Scaling

Value Name	Languag e	Identifier	Actual Value
Linear	.NET	FrequencyStepScaling.Linear	0
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_STEP_SCALING_LI NEAR	0
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencyStepScalingLinear	0
Logarithmic	.NET	FrequencyStepScaling.Logarithmic	1
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_STEP_SCALING_LO GARITHMIC	1
	COM	<pre>IviDownconverterFrequencyStepScalingLogarithmi c</pre>	1
Frequency Step Scaling	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_STEP_SCALING_CL ASS_EXT_BASE	
Class Ext Base			
Frequency Step Scaling	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_STEP_SCALING_SP ECIFIC_EXT_BASE	1000
Specific Ext Base	COM	N/A	1000

Frequency Sweep Mode

Value Name	Languag e	Identifier	Actual Value
None	.NET	FrequencySweepMode.None	0
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_NONE	0
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeNone	0
Sweep	.NET	FrequencySweepMode.Sweep	1
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_SWEE P	1
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeSweep	1
Step	.NET	FrequencySweepMode.Step	2
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_STEP	2
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeStep	2
List	.NET	FrequencySweepMode.List	3
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_LIST	3
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeList	3
Frequency Sweep Mode	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_CLAS S_EXT_BASE	
Class Ext Base			

Value Name	Languag e	Identifier	Actual Value
Frequency Sweep Mode	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_SPEC IFIC_EXT_BASE	1000
Specific Ext Base	COM	N/A	1000

Reference Oscillator Source

Value Name	Language	Identifier	Actual Value
Internal	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_SOURCE_INTERNAL	0
	COM	IviDownconverterReferenceOscillatorSource eInternal	0
External	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_SOURCE_EXTERNAL	1
	COM	IviDownconverterReferenceOscillatorSourceExternal	1
Reference Oscillator Source	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_	100
Class Ext Base		OSCILLATOR_SOURCE_CLASS_EXT_BASE	
Reference Oscillator Source	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_	1000
Specific Ext Base		OSCILLATOR_SOURCE_SPECIFIC_EXT_BASE	
	COM	N/A	1000

RF Input Coupling

Value Name	Language	Identifier	Actual Value	
AC	.NET	InputCoupling.AC	0	
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_INPUT_COUPLING_AC	0	
	COM	IviDownconverterInputCouplingAC	0	
DC	.NET	InputCoupling.DC	1	
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_INPUT_COUPLING_DC		
	COM	InputCoupling.DC IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_INPUT_COUPLING_DC IviDownconverterInputCouplingDC		
RF Input Coupling Class Ext Base	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_INPUT_COUPLING_CLASS_EXT_ BASE		
RF Input Coupling Specific xt Base	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_INPUT_COUPLING_SPECIFIC_E XT_BASE		
	COM	N/A	1000	

19. IviDownconverter Function Parameter Value Definitions

This section specifies the actual values for each function parameter that defines values.

Configure Frequency Step Start Stop

Parameter: Scaling

Value Name	Language	Identifier	Actual Value
Linear	.NET	FrequencyStepScaling.Linear	0
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_STEP_SCALIN G_LINEAR	0
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencyStepScalingLinear	0
Logarithmic	.NET	FrequencyStepScaling.Logarithmic	1
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_STEP_SCALIN G_LOGARITHMIC	1
	COM	<pre>IviDownconverterFrequencyStepScalingLogari thmic</pre>	1

Configure Frequency Sweep

Parameter: Mode

Value Name	Language	Identifier	Actual Value
None	.NET	FrequencySweepMode.None	0
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTERVAL_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MO DE_NONE	0
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeNone	0
Sweep	.NET	FrequencySweepMode.Sweep	1
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_ SWEEP	1
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeSweep	1
Step	.NET	FrequencySweepMode.Step	2
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_ STEP	2
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeStep	2
List	.NET	FrequencySweepMode.List	3
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE_ LIST	3
	COM	IviDownconverterFrequencySweepModeList	3

Configure Reference Oscillator

Parameter: Source

Value Name	Language	Identifier	Actual Value
Internal	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_ SOURCE_INTERNAL	0
	COM	IviDownconverterReferenceOscillatorSourceInternal	0
External	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_ SOURCE_EXTERNAL	1
	COM	IviDownconverterReferenceOscillatorSourceE xternal	1

Is Calibrated

Parameter: Status

Value Name	Language	Identifier	Actual Value
Calibrated	.NET	CalibratedStatus.Calibrated	0
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATED	0
	COM	IviDownconverterCalibratedStatusCal ibrated	0
Uncalibrated	.NET	CalibratedStatus.Uncalibrated	1
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_UNCALIBRATED	1
	COM	IviDownconverterCalibratedStatusUncalibrated	1
Calibrated Status Unknown	.NET	CalibratedStatus.Unknown	2
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATED_STATUS_UNKNOWN	2
	COM	IviDownconverterCalibratedStatusUnk nown	2

Is Calibration Complete

Parameter: Status

Value Name	Language	Identifier	Actual Value
Calibration Complete	.NET	CalibrationStatus.Complete	0
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATION_CC MPLETE	0
	COM	IviDownconverterCalibrationStatusComplete	0
Calibration In Progress	.NET	CalibrationStatus.InProgress	1

Parameter: Status

Value Name	Language	Identifier	Actual Value
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATION_IN _PROGRESS	1
	COM	IviDownconverterCalibrationStatusIr Progress	1
Calibration Status Unknown	.NET	CalibrationStatus.Unknown	2
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATION_ST ATUS_UNKNOWN	2
	COM	IviDownconverterCalibrationStatusUnknown	2
Calibration Failed	.NET	CalibrationStatus.Failed	3
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_CALIBRATION_FA	3
	COM	IviDownconverterCalibrationStatusFa iled	3

Wait Until Frequency Sweep Complete

Parameter: MaxTimeMilliseconds

Value Name	Language	Identifier	Actual Value
Max Time Immediate	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_MAX_TIME_IM MEDIATE	0x0
	COM	IviDownconverterTimeOutImmediate	0x0
Max Time Infinite	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_MAX_TIME_IN FINITE	0xFFFFFFFFUL
	COM	IviDownconverterTimeOutInfinite	Oxfffffffful

Wait Until Settled

Parameter: MaxTimeMilliseconds

Value Name	Language	Identifier	Actual Value
Max Time Immediate	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_MAX_TIME_IM MEDIATE	0x0
	COM	IviDownconverterTimeOutImmediate	0x0
Max Time Infinite	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_VAL_MAX_TIME_IN FINITE	0xFFFFFFFFUL
	COM	IviDownconverterTimeOutInfinite	0xFFFFFFFFUL

20. IviDownconverter Error and Completion Code Value Definitions

The table below specifies the actual value for each status code that the IviDownconverter class specification defines.

Table 20-1. IviDownconverter Error and Completion Codes

Error Name	Description		
	Language	Identifier	Value(hex)
Trigger Not	The trigger source is not set to software trigger.		
Software	.NET	Ivi.Driver.TriggerNotSoftwareException	IVI Defined Exception (See IVI-3.2)
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER _ERROR_TRIGGER_NOT_SOFTWARE	0xBFFA1001
	COM	E_ IVIDOWNCONVERTER _TRIGGER_NOT_SOFTWARE	0x80041001
Frequency List	The selected frequency list is not defined.		
Unknown	.NET	FrequencyListUnknownException	
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ERROR_FREQUENCY_LIST_ UNKNOWN	0xBFFA2001
	COM	E_IVIDOWNCONVERTER_FREQUENCY_LIST_UNKNOWN	0x80042001
Max Time	Maximum ti	me exceeded before the operation completed.	
Exceeded	.NET	Ivi.Driver.MaxTimeExceededException	IVI Defined Exception (See IVI-3.2)
	С	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ERROR_MAX_TIME_EXCEED ED	0xBFFA2002
	COM	E_IVIDOWNCONVERTER_MAX_TIME_EXCEEDED	0x80042002

Table 20-2 defines the recommended format of the message string associated with the errors. In C, these strings are returned by the Get Error function. In COM, these strings are the description contained in the ErrorInfo object.

Note: In the description string table entries listed below, **%s** is always used to represent the component name.

Table 20-2. IviDownconverter Error Message Strings

Name	Message String
Trigger Not Software	"%s: Trigger source is not set to software trigger."
Frequency List Unknown	"%s: The selected frequency list is not defined."
Max Time Exceeded	"%s: Maximum time exceeded before the operation completed."

20.1 IVI.NET IviDownconverter Exceptions and Warnings

This section defines the list of IVI.NET exceptions and warnings that are specific to the IviDownconverter class. For general information on IVI.NET exceptions and warnings, refer to *IVI-3.1: Driver Architecture*

Specification and section 12, Common IVI.NET Exceptions and Warnings, of IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification.

The IVI.NET exceptions defined in this specification are declared in the Ivi.Downconverter namespace.

• FrequencyListUnknownException

20.1.1 FrequencyListUnknownException

Description

This exception is used when the driver finds that a specified frequency list is not defined.

Constructors

Message String

```
The selected frequency list is not defined. List name: <listName>
```

Parameters

Inputs	Description	Base Type
listName	The name of the list that is undefined.	String

Usage

If driver developers use constructors that take a message string, they are responsible for message string localization.

21. IviDownconverter Hierarchies

21.1 IviDownconverter .NET Hierarchy

The full IviDownconverter .NET Hierarchy includes the Inherent Capabilities Hierarchy as defined in Section 4.1, .*NET Inherent Capabilities* of *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification*. To avoid redundancy, it is omitted from Table 17-1.

Table 21-1. IviDownconverter COM Hierarchy

COM Interface Hierarchy	Generic Name	Туре
Calibration		
Calibrate	Calibrate	M
GetCalibratedStatus	Is Calibrated	M
GetCalibrationStatus	Is Calibration Complete	M
ExternalLO		
Enabled	External LO Enabled	P
Frequency	External LO Frequency	P
xternalMixer		
Enabled	External Mixer Enabled	P
Harmonic	External Mixer Harmonic	P
NumberOfPorts	External Mixer Number Of Ports	P
Bias		
Configure	Configure External Mixer Bias	M
Enabled	External Mixer Bias Enabled	P
Level	External Mixer Bias Level	P
Limit	External Mixer Bias Limit	P
FOutput		
WaitUntilSettled	Wait Until Settled	M
ActiveIFOutput	Active IF Output	P
FilterBandwidth	IF Output Filter Bandwidth	P
Count	IF Output Count	P
Enabled	IF Output Enabled	P
Frequency	IF Output Frequency	P
Gain	IF Output Gain	P
IsSettled	Is Settled	P
GetName	Get IF Output Name	M
VideoDetectorBandwidth	IF Output Video Detector Bandwidth	P
ReferenceOscillator		
Configure	Configure Reference Oscillator	M
ExternalFrequency	Reference Oscillator External Frequency	P
Output Enabled	Reference Oscillator Output Enabled	P

Table 21-1. IviDownconverter COM Hierarchy

COM Interface Hierarchy	Generic Name	Type
Source	Reference Oscillator Source	P
RFInput		
ActiveRFInput	Active RF Input	P
Attenuation	RF Input Attenuation	P
CorrectionsEnabled	RF Input Corrections Enabled	P
SendSoftwareTrigger	Send Software Trigger	M
Bypass	Bypass	P
Count	RF Input Count	P
Coupling	RF Input Coupling	P
Frequency	RF Input Frequency	P
GetName	Get RF Input Name	M
PreselectorEnabled	Preselector Enabled	P
FrequencySweep		
Configure	Configure Frequency Sweep	M
GetBandCrossingInfo	Get Band Crossing Info	M
Mode	Frequency Sweep Mode	P
NumberOfBands	Number Of Bands	P
TriggerSource	Frequency Sweep Trigger Source	P
WaitUntilComplete	Wait Until Frequency Sweep Complete	M
Analog		
ConfigureStartStop	Configure Frequency Sweep Start Stop	M
Start	Frequency Sweep Start	P
Stop	Frequency Sweep Stop	P
Time	Frequency Sweep Time	P
List		
ClearAll	Clear All Frequency Sweep Lists	M
ConfigureDwell	Configure Frequency Sweep List Dwell	M
CreateList	Create Frequency Sweep List	M
Reset	Reset Frequency Sweep List	M
Dwell	Frequency Sweep List Dwell	P
SelectedName	Frequency Sweep List Selected Name	P
SingleStepEnabled	Frequency Sweep List Single Step Enabled	P
Step		
ConfigureDwell	Configure Frequency Step Dwell	M
ConfigureStartStop	Configure Frequency Step Start Stop	M
Reset	Reset Frequency Step	M
Dwell	Frequency Step Dwell	P
Scaling	Frequency Step Scaling	P

Table 21-1. IviDownconverter COM Hierarchy

COM Interface Hierarchy	Generic Name	Type
SingleStepEnabled	Frequency Step Single Step Enabled	P
Size	Frequency Step Size	P
Start	Frequency Step Start	P
Stop	Frequency Step Stop	P

21.1.1 lviDownconverter .NET Interfaces

In addition to implementing IVI inherent capabilities interfaces, IviDownconverter-interfaces contain interface reference properties for accessing the following IviDownconverter interfaces:

- IIviDownconverterReferenceOscillator
- IIviDownconverterRFInput
- IIviDownconverterIFOutput
- IIviDownconverterExternalLO
- IiviDownconverterExternalMixer
- IIviDownconverterCalibration

The IIviDownconverterRFInput interface contains interface reference properties for accessing additional the following additional IviDownconverter interface(s):

• IIviDownconverterFrequencySweep

The IIviDownconverterExternalMixer interface contains interface reference properties for accessing additional the following additional IviDownconverter interface(s):

IIviDownconverterExternalMixerBias

The IIviDownconverterFrequencySweep interface contains interface reference properties for accessing additional the following additional IviDownconverter interface(s):

- IIviDownconverterFrequencySweepList
- IIviDownconverterFrequencyStep
- IiviDownconverterFrequencySweepAnalog

21.1.2 .NET Interface Reference Properties

Interface reference properties are used to navigate the IviDownconverter .NET hierarchy. This section describes the interface reference properties that the IviDownconverter interfaces define. All interface reference properties are read-only.

Table 21-2. IviDownconverter Interface Reference Propertiess

Interface	GUID
IIviDownconverterCalibration	Calibration
IIviDownconverterExternalLO	ExternalLO
IIviDownconverterExternalMixer	ExternalMixer
IIviDownconverterExternalMixerBias	ExternalMixer.Bias
IIviDownconverterFrequencyStep	RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step
IIviDownconverterFrequencySweep	RFInput.FrequencySweep
IIviDownconverterFrequencySweepAnalog	RFInput.FrequencySweep.Analog
IIviDownconverterFrequencySweepList	RFInput.FrequencySweep.List
IIviDownconverterIFOutput	IFOutput
IIviDownconverterReferenceOscillator	ReferenceOscillator
IIviDownconverterRFInput	RFInput

21.2 IviDownconverter COM Hierarchy

The full IviDownconverter COM Hierarchy includes the Inherent Capabilities Hierarchy as defined in Section 4.2, *COM Inherent Capabilities* of *IVI-3.2: Inherent Capabilities Specification*. To avoid redundancy, it is omitted from Table 17-1.

Table 21-3. IviDownconverter COM Hierarchy

COM Interface Hierarchy	Generic Name	Type
ExternalLO		
Enabled	External LO Enabled	P
Frequency	External LO Frequency	P
ExternalMixer		
Enabled	External Mixer Enabled	P
Harmonic	External Mixer Harmonic	P
NumberOfPorts	External Mixer Number Of Ports	P
Bias		
Configure	Configure External Mixer Bias	M
Enabled	External Mixer Bias Enabled	P
Level	External Mixer Bias Level	P
Limit	External Mixer Bias Limit	P
IFOutput		
WaitUntilSettled	Wait Until Settled	M
ActiveIFOutput	Active IF Output	P
FilterBandwidth	IF Output Filter Bandwidth	P
Count	IF Output Count	P
Enabled	IF Output Enabled	P
Frequency	IF Output Frequency	P
Gain	IF Output Gain	P
IsSettled	Is Settled	P
Name	IF Output Name	P
VideoDetectorBandwidth	IF Output Video Detector Bandwidth	P
ReferenceOscillator		
Configure	Configure Reference Oscillator	M
ExternalFrequency	Reference Oscillator External Frequency	P
Output Enabled	Reference Oscillator Output Enabled	P
Source	Reference Oscillator Source	P
RFInput		
ActiveRFInput	Active RF Input	P
Attenuation	RF Input Attenuation	P
CorrectionsEnabled	RF Input Corrections Enabled	P
SendSoftwareTrigger	Send Software Trigger	M

Table 21-3. IviDownconverter COM Hierarchy

COM Interface Hierarchy	Generic Name	Туре
Bypass	Bypass	P
Calibrate	Calibrate	M
IsCalibrated	Is Calibrated	M
IsCalibrationComplete	Is Calibration Complete	M
Count	RF Input Count	P
Coupling	RF Input Coupling	P
Frequency	RF Input Frequency	P
Name	RF Input Name	P
PreselectorEnabled	Preselector Enabled	P
FrequencySweep		
Configure	Configure Frequency Sweep	M
GetBandCrossingInfo	Get Band Crossing Info	M
Mode	Frequency Sweep Mode	P
NumberOfBands	Number Of Bands	P
TriggerSource	Frequency Sweep Trigger Source	P
WaitUntilComplete	Wait Until Frequency Sweep Complete	M
Analog		
ConfigureStartStop	Configure Frequency Sweep Start Stop	M
Start	Frequency Sweep Start	P
Stop	Frequency Sweep Stop	P
Time	Frequency Sweep Time	P
List		
ClearAll	Clear All Frequency Sweep Lists	M
ConfigureDwell	Configure Frequency Sweep List Dwell	M
CreateList	Create Frequency Sweep List	M
Reset	Reset Frequency Sweep List	M
Dwell	Frequency Sweep List Dwell	P
SelectedName	Frequency Sweep List Selected Name	P
SingleStepEnabled	Frequency Sweep List Single Step Enabled	P
Step		
ConfigureDwell	Configure Frequency Step Dwell	M
ConfigureStartStop	Configure Frequency Step Start Stop	M
Reset	Reset Frequency Step	M
Dwell	Frequency Step Dwell	P
Scaling	Frequency Step Scaling	P
SingleStepEnabled	Frequency Step Single Step Enabled	P
Size	Frequency Step Size	P
Start	Frequency Step Start	P

Table 21-3. IviDownconverter COM Hierarchy

COM Interface Hierarchy	Generic Name	Туре
Stop	Frequency Step Stop	P

21.2.1 IviDownconverter COM Interfaces

In addition to implementing IVI inherent capabilities interfaces, IviDownconverter-interfaces contain interface reference properties for accessing the following IviDownconverter interfaces:

- IIviDownconverterReferenceOscillator
- IIviDownconverterRFInput
- IIviDownconverterIFOutput
- IIviDownconverterExternalLO
- IIviDownconverterExternalMixer

The IIviDownconverterRFInput interface contains interface reference properties for accessing additional the following additional IviDownconverter interface(s):

IIviDownconverterFrequencySweep

The IIviDownconverterExternalMixer interface contains interface reference properties for accessing additional the following additional IviDownconverter interface(s):

IIviDownconverterExternalMixerBias

The IIviDownconverterFrequencySweep interface contains interface reference properties for accessing additional the following additional IviDownconverter interface(s):

- IIviDownconverterFrequencySweepList
- IIviDownconverterFrequencyStep
- IIviDownconverterFrequencySweepAnalog

Table 21-4. IviDownconverter lists the interfaces that this specification defines and their GUIDs.

Interface GUID {47ed53aa-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374} IIviDownconverter IIviDownconverterExternalLO {47ed53ab-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374} {47ed53ac-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374} IIviDownconverterExternalMixer IIviDownconverterExternalMixerBias {47ed53ad-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374} {47ed53ae-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374} IIviDownconverterFrequencyStep {47ed53af-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374} IIviDownconverterFrequencySweep {47ed53b0-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374} IIviDownconverterFrequencySweepAnalog IIviDownconverterFrequencySweepList {47ed53b1-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374} {47ed53b2-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374} IIviDownconverterIFOutput IIviDownconverterReferenceOscillator {47ed53b3-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374} IIviDownconverterRFInput {47ed53b4-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374}

Table 21-4. IviDownconverter Interface GUIDs

21.2.1 COM Interface Reference Properties

Interface reference properties are used to navigate the IviDownconverter COM hierarchy. This section describes the interface reference properties that the IviDownconverter interfaces define. All interface reference properties are read-only.

Table 21-5. IviDownconverter Interface Reference Propertiess

Interface	Interface Reference Property
IIviDownconverterExternalLO	ExternalLO
IIviDownconverterExternalMixer	ExternalMixer
IIviDownconverterExternalMixerBias	ExternalMixer.Bias
IIviDownconverterFrequencyStep	RFInput.FrequencySweep.Step
IIviDownconverterFrequencySweep	RFInput.FrequencySweep
IIviDownconverterFrequencySweepAnalog	RFInput.FrequencySweep.Analog
IIviDownconverterFrequencySweepList	RFInput.FrequencySweep.List
IIviDownconverterIFOutput	IFOutput
IIviDownconverterReferenceOscillator	ReferenceOscillator
IIviDownconverterRFInput	RFInput

21.2.2 IviDownconverter COM Category

The IviDownconverter class COM Category shall be "IviDownconverter", and the Category ID (CATID) shall be $\{47ed515e-a398-11d4-ba58-000064657374\}$.

21.3 IviDownconverter C Function Hierarchy

The IviDownconverter class function hierarchy is shown in the following table.

 Table 17-3.
 IviDownconverter Function Hierarchy

GetAttributeViInt32 GetAttributeViReal64 GetAttributeViSession GetAttributeViSession GetAttributeViString SetAttributeViBoolean SetAttributeViInt32 SetAttributeViReal64 SetAttributeViSession SetAttributeViSession SetAttributeViSession SetAttributeViString Close External Mixer Bias Configure External Mixer Bias IF Output Configure IF Output Filter Bandwidth Configure IF Output Enabled Configure IF Output Gain IviDown	reconverter_GetAttributeViBoolean
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Configure IF Output Gain IviDown	nconverter_ConfigureIFOutputFilterBand
-	nconverter_ConfigureIFOutputEnabled
	nconverter_ConfigureIFOutputGain
Configure IF Output Video Detector Bandwidth IviDown orBandwidth	nconverter_ConfigureIFOutputVideoDetect width
Get IF Output Name	nconverter_GetIFOutputName
Set Active IF Output IviDown	nconverter_SetActiveIFOutput
Initialize IviDow	nconverter_init
Initialize With Options IviDown	nconverter_InitWithOptions
Reference Oscillator	
Configure Reference Oscillator IviDown	nconverter_ConfigureReferenceOscillato
	nconverter_ConfigureReferenceOscillato: Enabled
RF Input	
_	nconverter_ConfigureBypass
Configure Preselector Enabled IviDown	nconverter_ConfigurePreselectorEnabled
Configure RF Input Attenuation IviDown	nconverter_ConfigureRFInputAttenuation
Configure RF Input Frequency IviDown	nconverter_ConfigureRFInputFrequency
Get RF Input Name	nconverter GetRFInputName

Name or Class	Function Name
Set Active RF Input	IviDownconverter_SetActiveRFInput
Frequency Sweep	
Configure Frequency Sweep	IviDownconverter_ConfigureFrequencySweep
Configure Frequency Sweep Time	IviDownconverter_ConfigureFrequencySweepTime
Get Band Crossing Info	IviDownconverter_GetBandCrossingInfo
Analog	
Configure Frequency Sweep Start Stop	<pre>IviDownconverter_ConfigureFrequencySweepStart Stop</pre>
List	
Clear All Frequency Sweep Lists	IviDownconverter_ClearAllFrequencySweepLists
Configure Frequency Sweep List Dwell	<pre>IviDownconverter_ConfigureFrequencySweepListI well</pre>
Create Frequency Sweep List	IviDownconverter_CreateFrequencySweepList
Reset Frequency Sweep List	IviDownconverter_ResetFrequencySweepList
Step	
Configure Frequency Step Dwell	IviDownconverter_ConfigureFrequencyStepDwell
Configure Frequency Step Start Stop	<pre>IviDownconverter_ConfigureFrequencyStepStartS top</pre>
Reset Frequency Step	IviDownconverter_ResetFrequencyStep
Action	
Calibrate	IviDownconverter_Calibrate
Is Calibrated	IviDownconverter_IsCalibrated
Is Calibration Complete	IviDownconverter_IsCalibrationComplete
Send Software Trigger	IviDownconverter_SendSoftwareTrigger
Wait Until Settled	IviDownconverter_WaitUntilSettled
Wait Until Frequency Sweep Complete	<pre>IviDownconverter_WaitUntilFrequencySweepCompl ete</pre>
Utility	
Clear Error	IviDownconverter_ClearError
Clear Interchange Warnings	IviDownconverter_ClearInterchangeWarnings
Disable	IviDownconverter_Disable
Error Message	IviDownconverter_error_message
Error Query	IviDownconverter_error_query
Get Error	IviDownconverter_GetError
Get Next Coercion Record	IviDownconverter_GetNextCoercionRecord
Get Next Interchange Warning	IviDownconverter_GetNextInterchangeWarning
Get Specific Driver C Handle	IviDownconverter_GetSpecificDriverCHandle
Invalidate All Attributes	IviDownconverter_InvalidateAllAttributes
Lock Session	IviDownconverter_LockSession
Reset	IviDownconverter_reset
Reset Interchange Check	IviDownconverter_ResetInterchangeCheck
ResetWithDefaults	IviDownconverter_ResetWithDefaults

Name or Class	Function Name
Revision Query	IviDownconverter_revision_query
Self Test	IviDownconverter_self_test
Unlock Session	IviDownconverter_UnlockSession

21.4 IviDownconverter C Attribute Hierarchy

The IviDownconverter class attribute hierarchy is shown in the following table.

Table 21-6 IviDownconverter C Attributes Hierarchy

Category or Generic Attribute Name	C Defined Constant	
External LO		
External LO Enabled	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_LO_ENABLED	
External LO Frequency	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_LO_FREQUENCY	
External Mixer		
Bias		
External Mixer Bias Enabled	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_BIAS_EN ABLED	
External Mixer Bias Level	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_BIAS_LE VEL	
External Mixer Bias Limit	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_BIAS_LI MIT	
External Mixer Enabled	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_ENABLE	
External Mixer Harmonic	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_HARMONI C	
External Mixer Number Of Ports	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_EXTERNAL_MIXER_NUMBER_ OF_PORTS	
IF Output		
Active IF Output	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_ACTIVE_IF_OUTPUT	
IF Output Filter Bandwidth	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IF_OUTPUT_FILTER_BANDW IDTH	
IF Output Count	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IF_OUTPUT_COUNT	
IF Output Enabled	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IF_OUTPUT_ENABLED	
IF Output Frequency	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IF_OUTPUT_FREQUENCY	
IF Output Gain	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IF_OUTPUT_GAIN	
IF Output Video Detector Bandwidth	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IF_OUTPUT_VIDEO_DETECT OR_BANDWIDTH	
Is Settled	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IS_SETTLED	
Inherent IVI Attributes		
Advanced Session Information		
Driver Setup	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_DRIVER_SETUP	
I/O Resource Descriptor	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IO_RESOURCE_DESCRIPTOR	
Logical Name	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_LOGICAL_NAME	
Class Driver Identification		

Table 21-6 IviDownconverter C Attributes Hierarchy

Category or Generic Attribute Name	C Defined Constant
Class Driver Class Spec Major Version	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_CLASS_DRIVER_CLASS_C_MAJOR_VERSION
Class Driver Class Spec Minor Version	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_CLASS_DRIVER_CLASS_C_MINOR_VERSION
Class Driver Description	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_CLASS_DRIVER_DESCRION
Class Driver Prefix	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_CLASS_DRIVER_PREFIX
Class Driver Revision	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_CLASS_DRIVER_REVISI
Class Driver Vendor	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_CLASS_DRIVER_VENDOR
Driver Capabilities	
Class Group Capabilities	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_GROUP_CAPABILITIES
Supported Instrument Models	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_SUPPORTED_INSTRUMEN ODELS
Driver Identification	
Specific Driver Class Spec Major Version	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_SPECIFIC_DRIVER_CLA SPEC_MAJOR_VERSION
Specific Driver Class Spec Minor Version	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_SPECIFIC_DRIVER_CLA SPEC_MINOR_VERSION
Specific Driver Description	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_SPECIFIC_DRIVER_DES PTION
Specific Driver Prefix	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_SPECIFIC_DRIVER_PRE
Specific Driver Revision	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_SPECIFIC_DRIVER_REV ON
Specific Driver Vendor	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_SPECIFIC_DRIVER_VEN
Instrument Identification	
Instrument Firmware Revision	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_INSTRUMENT_FIRMWARE VISION
Instrument Manufacturer	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_INSTRUMENT_MANUFACT
Instrument Model	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_INSTRUMENT_MODEL
User Options	
Cache	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_CACHE
Interchange Check	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_INTERCHANGE_CHECK
Query Instrument Status	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_QUERY_INSTRUMENT_ST
Range Check	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_RANGE_CHECK
Record Value Coercions	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_RECORD_COERCIONS
Simulate	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_SIMULATE

Table 21-6 IviDownconverter C Attributes Hierarchy

Category or Generic Attribute Name	C Defined Constant
Reference Oscillator	
Reference Oscillator External Frequency	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_E XTERNAL_FREQUENCY
Reference Oscillator Source	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_S OURCE
Reference Oscillator Output Enabled	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_REFERENCE_OSCILLATOR_OUTPUT_ENABLED
RF Input	
Active RF Input	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_ACTIVE_RF_INPUT
Bypass	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_BYPASS
Corrections Enabled	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_RF_INPUT_CORRECTIONS_E NABLED
Frequency Sweep	
Frequency Sweep Mode	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_MODE
Frequency Sweep Trigger Source	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_TRIGGE R_SOURCE
Is Sweeping	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_IS_SWEEPING
Number of Bands	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_NUM_BANDS
Analog	
Frequency Sweep Start	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_START
Frequency Sweep Stop	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_STOP
Frequency Sweep Time	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_TIME
List	
Frequency Sweep List Dwell	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_LIST_D WELL
Frequency Sweep List Selected Name	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_LIST_S ELECTED_NAME
Frequency Sweep List Single Step Enabled	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_SWEEP_LIST_S INGLE_STEP_ENABLED
Step	
Frequency Step Dwell	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_STEP_DWELL
Frequency Step Scaling	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_STEP_SCALING
Frequency Step Single Step Enabled	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_STEP_SINGLE_ STEP_ENABLED
Frequency Step Size	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_STEP_SIZE
Frequency Step Start	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_FREQUENCY_STEP_START
Frequency Step Stop	IVIDOWNCONVERTER ATTR FREQUENCY STEP STOP

Table 21-6 IviDownconverter C Attributes Hierarchy

Category or Generic Attribute Name	C Defined Constant
Preselector Enabled	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_PRESELECTOR_ENABLED
RF Input Attenuation	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_RF_INPUT_ATTENUATION
RF Input Count	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_RF_INPUT_COUNT
RF Input Coupling	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_RF_INPUT_COUPLING
RF Input Frequency	IVIDOWNCONVERTER_ATTR_RF_INPUT_FREQUENCY

Appendix A Specific Driver Development Guidelines

A.1 Introduction

This section describes situations driver developers should be aware of when developing a specific instrument driver that complies with the IviDownconverter class.

A.2 Disabling Unused Extension Groups

Specific drivers are required to disable extension capability groups that an application program does not explicitly use. The specific driver can do so by setting the attributes of an extension capability group to the values that this section recommends. A specific driver can set these values for all extension capability groups when the $Prefix_init$, $Prefix_init$ in the properties assumes that the extension capability groups remain disabled until the application program explicitly uses them. For the large majority of instruments, this assumption is true.

Under certain conditions, a specific driver might have to implement a more complex approach. For some instruments, configuring a capability group might affect instrument settings that correspond to an unused extension capability group. If these instrument settings affect the behavior of the instrument, then this might result in an interchangeability problem. If this can occur, the specific driver must take appropriate action so that the instrument settings that correspond to the unused extension capability group do not affect the behavior of the instrument when the application program performs an operation that might be affected by those settings.

The remainder of this section recommends attribute values that effectively disable each extension capability group.

Disabling the IviDownconverterBypass Extension Group

Attribute values that effectively disable the IviDownconverterBypass extension group are shown in the following table.

Table A-1. Values for Disabling the Bypass Extension Group

Attribute	Value
Bypass	False

Disabling the IviDownconverterExternalMixer Extension Group

The IviDownconverterExternalMixer extension group does not affect instrument behavior. Therefore, this specification does not recommend attribute values that disable the IviDownconverterExternalMixer extension group.

Table A-2. Values for Disabling the IviDownconverterExternalMixer Extension Group

Attribute	Value
External Mixer Enabled	False

Disabling the IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Extension Group

Attribute values that effectively disable the IviDownconverterFrequencyStep extension group are shown in the following table. This functionality is also encapsulated in the Configure Frequency Sweep function.

Table A-3. Values for Disabling the IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Extension Group

Attribute	Value
Frequency Sweep Mode	None

Disabling the IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Extension Group

Attribute values that effectively disable the IviDownconverterFrequencySweep extension group are shown in the following table. This functionality is also encapsulated in the Configure Frequency Sweep function.

Table A-4. Values for Disabling the IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Extension Group

Attribute	Value
Frequency Sweep Mode	None

Disabling the IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList Extension Group

Attribute values that effectively disable the IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList extension group are shown in the following table. This functionality is also encapsulated in the Configure Frequency Sweep function.

Table A-5. Values for Disabling the IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList Extension Group

Attribute	Value
Frequency Sweep Mode	None

Disabling the IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation Extension Group

The IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation extension group does not affect instrument behavior. Therefore, this specification does not recommend attribute values that disable the IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation extension group.

Disabling the IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger Extension Group

The IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger extension group affects the instrument behavior only when the Frequency Sweep Trigger Source attribute is set to Software Trigger. Therefore, this specification does not recommend attribute values that disable the IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger extension group.

Disabling the IviDownconverterIFFilter Extension Group

The IviDownconverterIFFilter extension group does not affect instrument behavior. Therefore, this specification does not recommend attribute values that disable the IviDownconverterIFFilter extension group.

Disabling the IviDownconverterPreselector Extension Group

Attribute values that effectively disable the IviDownconverterPreselector extension group are shown in the following table. This functionality is also encapsulated in the Configure Preselector Enabled function.

Table A-6. Values for Disabling the IviDownconverterPreslector Extension Group

Attribute	Value
Preselector Enabled	False

Disabling the IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth Extension Group

The IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth extension group does not affect instrument behavior. Therefore, this specification does not recommend attribute values that disable the IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth extension group.

Disabling the IviDownconverterCalibration Extension Group

The IviDownconverterCalibration extension group does not affect instrument behavior. Therefore, this specification does not recommend attribute values that disable the IviDownconverterCalibration extension group.

Disabling the IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator Extension Group

Attribute values that effectively disable the IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator extension group are shown in the following table.

Table A-7. Values for Disabling the IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator Extension Group

Attribute	Value
Reference Oscillator Source	Internal

A.3 Special Consideration for Query Instrument Status

Based on the value of Query Instr Status, the instrument may be queried by the specific driver to determine if it has encountered an error.

Appendix B Interchangeability Checking Rules

B.1 Introduction

IVI drivers have a feature called interchangeability checking. Interchangeability checking returns a warning when it encounters a situation where the application program might not produce the same behavior when the user attempts to use a different instrument.

B.2 When to Perform Interchangeability Checking

Interchangeability checking occurs when all of the following conditions are met:

- The Interchange Check attribute is set to True
- The user calls one of the following functions:
 - Wait Until Settled

B.3 Interchangeability Checking Rules

Interchangeability checking is performed on a capability group basis. When enabled, interchangeability checking is always performed on the base capability group. In addition, interchangeability checking is performed on extension capability groups for which the user has ever set any of the attributes of the group. If the user has never set any attributes of an extension capability group, interchangeability checking is not performed on that group.

In general interchangeability warnings are generated if the following conditions are encountered:

- An attribute that affects the behavior of the instrument is not in a state that the user specifies.
- The user sets a class driver defined attribute to an instrument-specific value.
- The user configures the value of an attribute that the class defines as read-only. In a few cases the class drivers define read-only attributes that specific drivers might implement as read/write.

The remainder of this section defines additional rules and exceptions for each capability group.

IviDownconverterBase Capability Group

- 1. If the IF Output Enabled attribute is set to False, no other attributes in the IviDownconverterBase capability group or in any extension group need be in a user-specified state.
- 2. If the External LO Enabled attribute is set to false, then the External LO Frequency attribute does not need to be in a user-specified state.

IviDownconverterBypass Extension Group

1. If the Bypass attribute is set to True, no attributes in the IviDownverterBase capability group or in any extension group need be in a user-specified state.

IviDownconverterExternalMixer Extension Group

- 1. If the External Mixer Enabled attribute is set to False, then all remaining group attributes need not be in a user specified state.
- 2. If the External Mixer Bias Enabled attribute is set to False, then the External Mixer Bias and External Mixer Bias Limit attributes need not be in a user specified state.

IviDownconverterFrequencyStep Extension Group

- 1. If the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is set to None, no attribute in the IviDownverterFrequencyStep extension group need be in a user-specified state.
- 2. If Frequency Step Single Step Enabled is set to true, the Frequency Step Dwell does not need to be in a user specified state.
- 3. If the IviDownconverterFrequencySweep extension group does not need to be checked for interchangeability, then attributes in the IviRFSigGenFrequencyStep extension group need not be in a user-specified state.

IviDownconverterFrequencySweep Extension Group

- 1. If the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is set to None, no attribute in the IviDownverterFrequencySweep extension group need be in a user-specified state.
- 2. If the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is set to a value other than Sweep, no other attributes besides Frequency Sweep Trigger Source need be in a user-specified state.

IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList Extension Group

- 1. If the Frequency Sweep Mode attribute is set to None, no attribute in the IviDownverterFrequencySweepList extension group need be in a user-specified state.
- 2. If Frequency Step Single Step Enabled is set to true, the Frequency Step Dwell does not need to be in a user specified state.
- 3. If the IviDownconverterFrequencySweepList extension group does not need to be checked for interchangeability, then attributes in the IviRFSigGenFrequencyStep extension group need not be in a user-specified state.

IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation Extension Group

No additional interchangeability rules or exceptions are defined for the IviDownconverterBandCrossingInformation extension group.

IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger Extension Group

No additional interchangeability rules or exceptions are defined for the IviDownconverterSoftwareTrigger extension group.

IviDownconverterIFFilter Extension Group

No additional interchangeability rules or exceptions are defined for the IviDownconverterIFFilter extension group.

IviDownconverterPreselector Extension Group

No additional interchangeability rules or exceptions are defined for the IviDownconverterPreselector extension group.

IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth Extension Group

No additional interchangeability rules or exceptions are defined for the IviDownconverterVideoDetectorBandwidth extension group.

IviDownconverterCalibration Extension Group

No additional interchangeability rules or exceptions are defined for the IviDownconverterCalibration extension group.

IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator Extension Group

No additional interchangeability rules or exceptions are defined for the IviDownconverterReferenceOscillator extension group.