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1 What's in this user manual?

You can find the following information in this document:

Before you begin	Conventions Safety information Working with optical fibers Connecting electrical cables System requirements
Getting started	Introducing the O2E Series Setting up hardware Installing software
Working with your device	**CohesionUI GUI:** CohesionUI - Overview Controlling your O2E product with CohesionUI **SCPI commands:** Controlling your O2E product with SCPI commands Programming applications
Maintenance	Cohesion Manager Cohesion Firmware Updater

2 Conventions

Please make yourself familiar with these conventions; we use them throughout this user manual:

WARNING

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in **death or serious injury**.

Do not proceed unless the required conditions are met and understood.

CAUTION

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in **minor or moderate injury** or **component damage**.

Do not proceed unless the required conditions are met and understood.

NOTE

Indicates relevant information that requires your attention.

3 Safety information

Carefully read all safety information before using your Quantifi Photonics product.

3.1 Optical laser radiation precautions

WARNING

To protect yourself from harm caused by optical radiation:

- Do not install or terminate fibers while the light source is active.
- Turn the Quantifi Photonics product OFF before inspecting the end face(s) of the product, or any optical patch cords connected to it.
- Never look directly into a live fiber; ensure that your eyes are protected at all times.
- Equip all unused ports with protective caps or blanking covers.

CAUTION

The use of controls, adjustments, and procedures other than those specified in this document may result in exposure to hazardous situations involving optical radiation.

3.2 Electromagnetic compatibility

CAUTION

For electromagnetic compatibility, this product is a Class A product. It is intended for use in an industrial environment. There may be potential difficulties in ensuring electromagnetic compatibility in other environments, due to conducted as well as radiated disturbances.

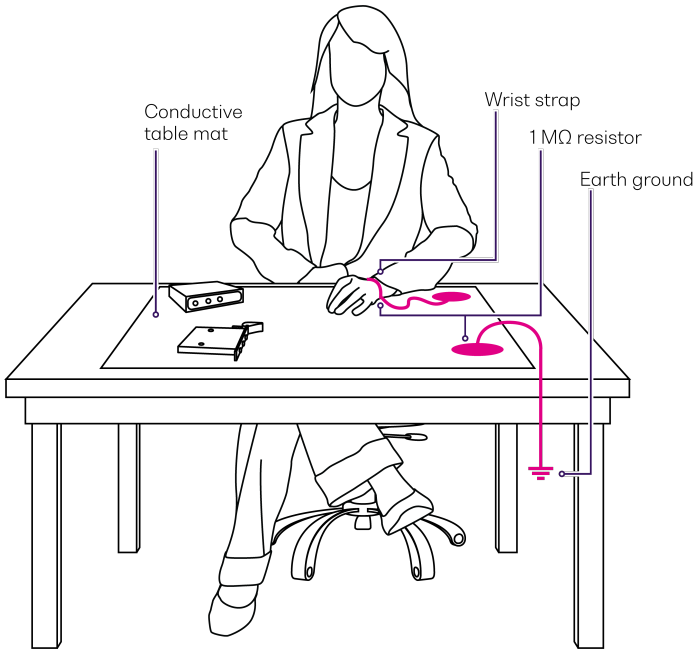
This symbol on the unit refers to documentation provided with the product for related safety information. Ensure that the required conditions are met and understood before using the product.

3.3 Electrostatic discharge precautions

CAUTION

The product is sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD). To ensure that you do not cause ESD damage to the product:

- Always follow proper grounding and ESD management practices.
- Store the unused product in the original protective electrostatic packaging that it was shipped in.
- Use a wrist strap and grounding table mat when unpacking or handling the product.
- Discharge RF cables before connecting them to the product, for example by shorting the center conductor to ground or by using 50Ω termination temporarily attached to the cable.



4 Introducing the O2E Series

The O2E product is a compact high bandwidth broadband optical to electrical converter, available in a range of configurations. Generate reliable and repeatable results in manufacturing or research and development environments.

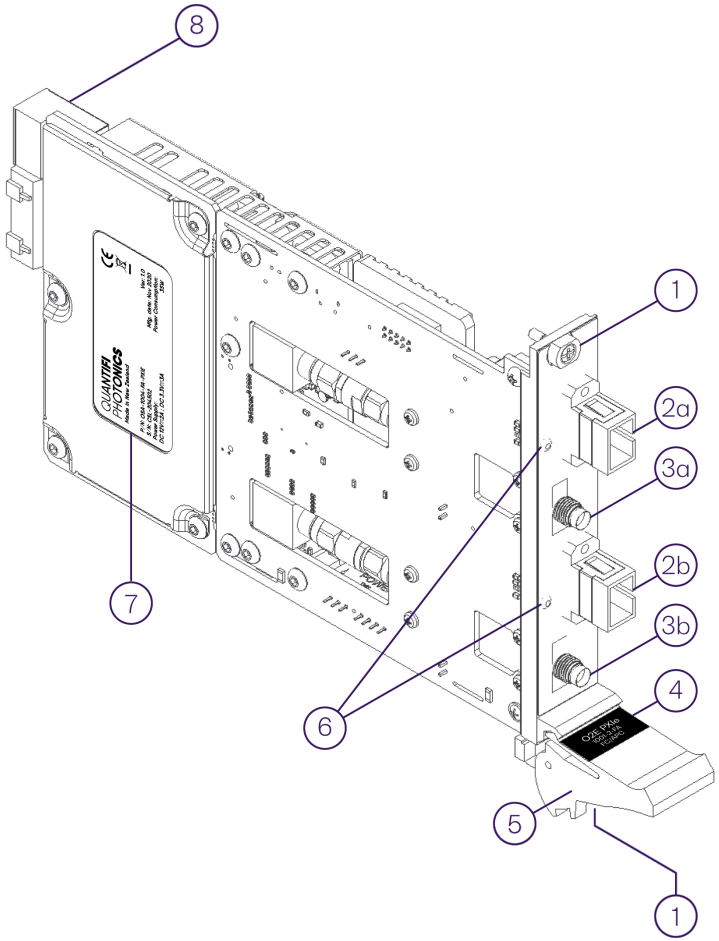
Programming interfaces

Through its programming interfaces you can take advantage of the SCPI-compliant command language and choose from programming tools such as LabView, C++, Python, or any of the other popular programming languages used to control automatic test equipment (ATE).

CohesionUI™

Quantifi Photonics' web-based graphical user interface CohesionUI is hosted on Microsoft Windows® and enables you to control your device from any supported web browser.

4.1 Hardware description



1	Fastening screw	4	Optical connector information
2a	Channel 1 optical input port	5	Fastening clip
2b	Channel 2 optical input port	6	Status LEDs
3a	Channel 1 RF output port	7	O2E PXIe module information
3b	Channel 2 RF output port		

4.2 Status LEDs

The Status LEDs show the operation state of the O2E products. There is a slightly different meaning for different O2E products.

O2E 1901 & 1401 products:

LED	Meaning
OFF	The product is powered OFF
solid RED	The **RF amplifier is OFF**, and the product is ready to communicate.
flashing RED	Indicates that the **RF amplifier is OFF**, and the product is busy (capturing a trace or waiting for a trigger).
solid GREEN	The **RF amplifier is ON**, and the product is ready to communicate.
flashing GREEN	The **RF amplifier is ON**, and the product is busy (capturing a trace or waiting for a trigger).

All other O2E products (excluding 1901 & 1401):

LED	Meaning
OFF	The product is powered OFF
solid GREEN	The product is ready.
flashing GREEN	The product is busy (capturing a trace or waiting for a trigger).

4.3 Environmental conditions

Range of environmental conditions:

Indoor or outdoor use	Indoor only
Altitude	Max. 2000m
Operating temperature range	5°C to 45°C | 41°F to 113°F
Storage temperature range	-40°C to 70°C | -40°F to 158°F
Relative humidity range	20% to 80%
Supply voltage	12VDC, 2A & 3.3VDC, 3A

5 Setting up hardware

Quantifi Photonicsmodules are designed for easy installation in a PXIe-compatible chassis.

Make sure to follow these instructions when installing or removing a Quantifi Photonics module from a PXIe chassis.

Ensure that the chassis being used supports PXIe (or contains PXI-hybrid compatible slots). If you are unsure if your chassis is compatible with your Quantifi Photonics product, please contact Quantifi Photonics Customer Support.

CAUTION

The product is sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD). To prevent damage from ESD:

- Do not remove the product from the antistatic packaging until required to do so.
- Wear a grounded wrist strap at all times when handling the product.

CAUTION

Skin contact may leave corrosive residue and damage a connector:

- Always clean optical end faces before mating.

NOTE

Please check for the fiber end-face type of the optical ports, such as PC or APC, and only use the same type optical connector to avoid damaging the end-face.

For advice on connector and fiber care, please refer to Working with optical fibers.

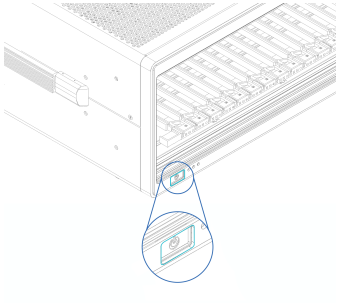
5.1 Uninstall the module from a PXIe chassis

WARNING

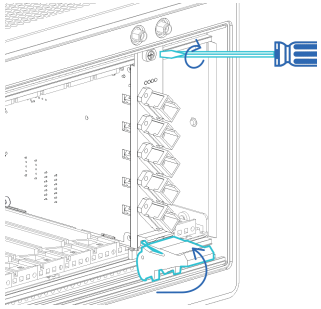
When attempting to install or remove a module or any component of the PXIe chassis:

- Power the chassis OFF.
- Follow these installation instructions.

1 Power the chassis OFF.

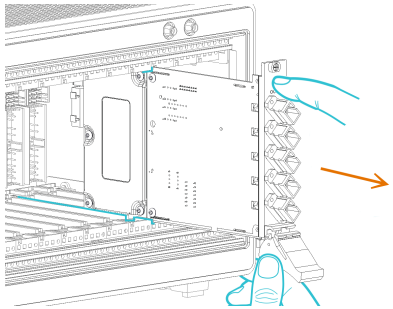


2 Unsecure the fastening screws and fastening clip.

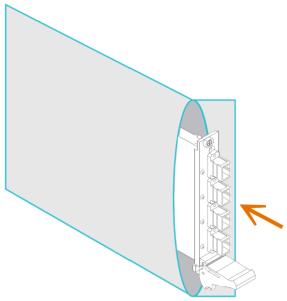


3 Pull out the module.

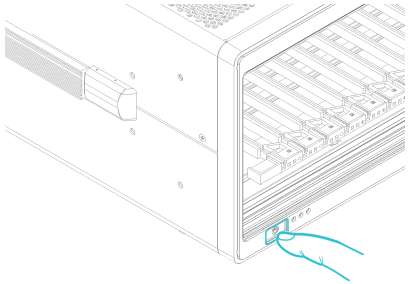
Use the fastening clip to pull. Do NOT pull on the connectors.



4 Store the module in its antistatic bag.



5 Power ON the chassis.



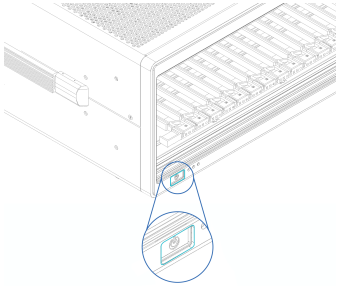
5.2 Install the module in a PXIe chassis

WARNING

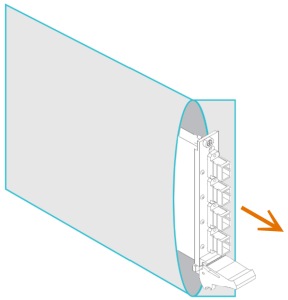
When attempting to install or remove a module or any component of the PXIe chassis:

- Power the chassis OFF.
- Follow these installation instructions.
- After powering the PXIe chassis ON, please wait at least 2 minutes before attempting to communicate with the module. This gives the chassis time to boot and initialize the communication server.

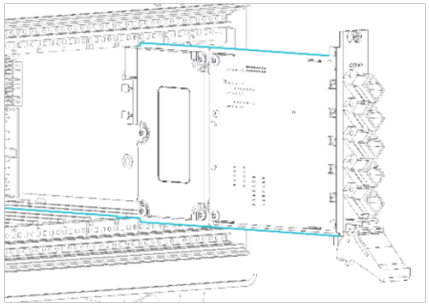
1 Power the chassis OFF.



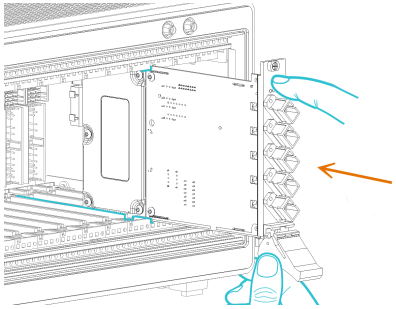
2 Remove the module from the anti-static bag. Retain the bag.



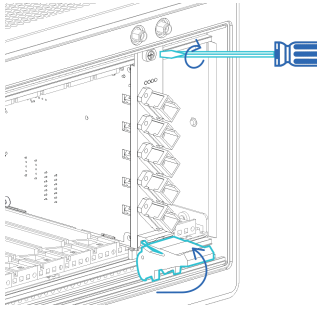
3 Align the module with the slot guide rails.



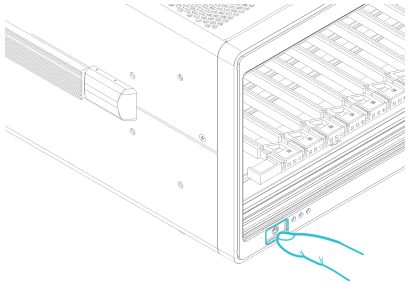
4 Push module into slot until you feel resistance from the backplane connection.



5 Engage the fastening clip. Secure all fastening screws.



6 Power the chassis ON.



6 Installing software

The Cohesion Installer software package enables communication between the PXIe controller and Quantifi Photonics modules installed in a chassis.

The Cohesion Installer contains all required drivers and software:

CohesionDriver	Driver Service for Quantifi Photonics PXIe modules
CohesionSCPI	VXI11 compliant server for remote SCPI communication
CohesionUI	Web-based Graphical User Interface
Cohesion Manager	Single-window utility application that shows the status of all Cohesion Software Services running on the system.
Cohesion Firmware Updater	Single-window utility application that shows the current firmware status of all Quantifi Photonics PXIe modules installed in the chassis.

6.1 Install the Cohesion Installer software package

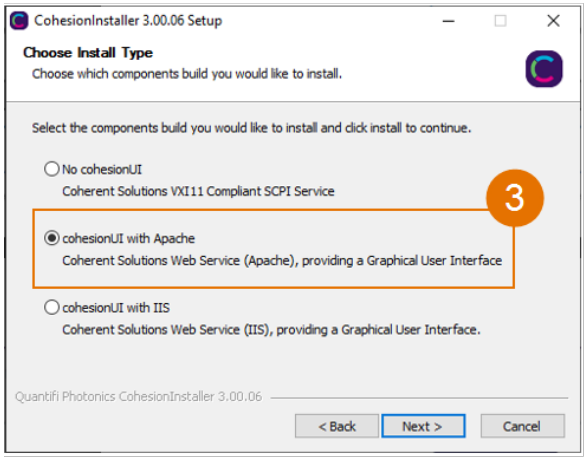
Install Cohesion Installer on:

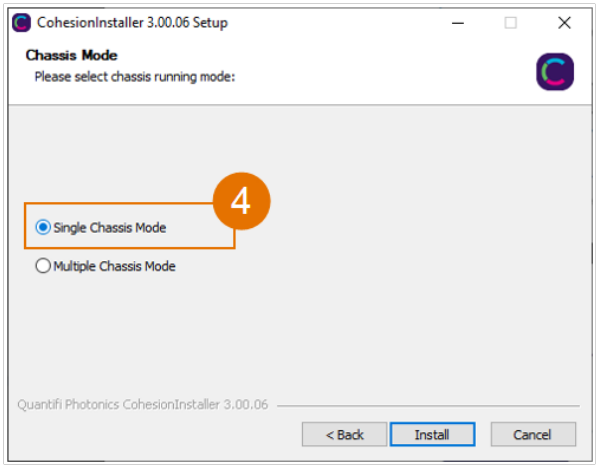
- the PXIe controller of the PXIe Chassis in which the Quantifi Photonics module(s) will be installed, or
- the controller PC (multi-chassis MXI setup)

▶ To install Cohesion Installer:

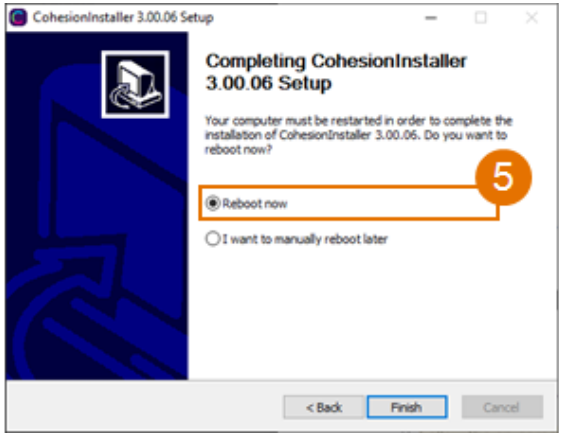
1. We recommended that you save your work and close open programs before installing Cohesion Installer.
2. Locate and run **CohesionInstaller-<version_number>.exe** from the provided USB media device (or download it from the Quantifi Photonics website) and follow the on-screen installation prompts.
3. Select the Installation Type: **CohesionUI with Apache** (this is the default setting)
4. Select the Chassis Mode: **Single Chassis Mode** (this is the default setting). If unsure, select this default setting.

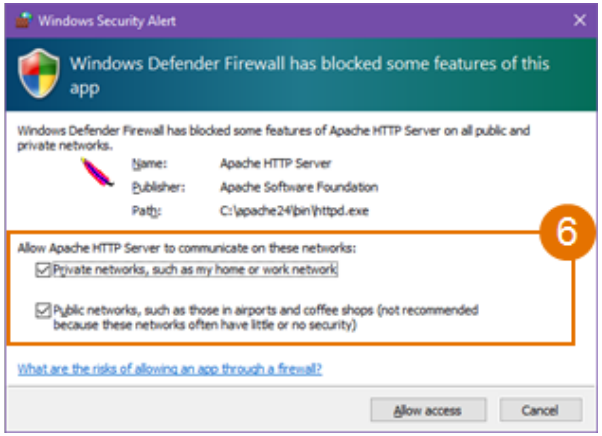
   To operate in Multiple Chassis Mode, additional hardware modules are required. As you can change the Chassis Mode later, we recommend to select **Single Mode** unless all other configuration requirements have been met.





5. At the end of the installation, we recommend you select the **Reboot now** option, and click **Finish** to complete the installation process.
6. A Windows Security Alert may prompt the user for network access. We recommend that **both options are ticked**, to allow any network configuration.





7. On startup after rebooting the system a User Account Control prompt might be displayed.
   Click **Yes** to allow running of the **Cohesion Firmware Updater Utility** and proceed with the application.

6.2 Cohesion Manager

Cohesion Manager is a single-window utitlity application that shows the status of all Cohesion Software Services running on the system.

By default, these Cohesion Software Services will start automatically on startup of Windows and need to be running to facilitate proper communication with the Quantifi Photonics PXIe modules.

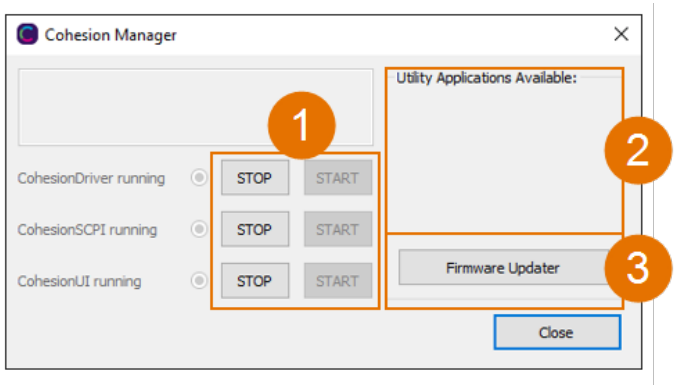
CohesionDriver	required	manages installed Quantifi Photonics modules
CohesionSCPI	required	VXI11 compliant SCPI interface for TCP communication with the installed Quantifi Photonics modules
CohesionUI	optional	web service providing a graphical interface for simplified operation of installed Quantifi Photonics modules

▶ To open Cohesion Manager:

- Search for Cohesion Manager in the Windows Start Menu.

▶ From Cohesion Manager you can:

1. Start or stop the CohesionDriver service, CohesionSCPI service, or CohesionUI service independently.
2. View all installed Quantifi Photonics system utilities.
3. In this example you can open the Cohesion Firmware Updater application.



▶ If you can't detect or communicate with modules:

- Open Cohesion Manager.
- Check the status of software services, and start a service if required.

6.3 Cohesion Firmware Updater

Cohesion Firmware Updater launches automatically when you install a new version of Cohesion Installer on the system and reboot. Or, you can open it via the Cohesion Manager application.

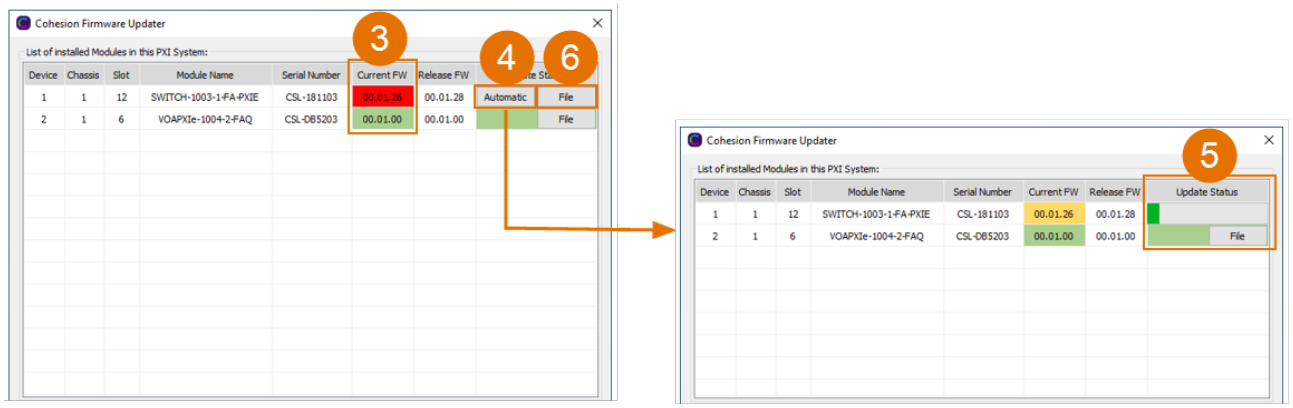
It is a single-window summary application that enables you to:

- view the current firmware status of all Quantifi Photonics PXIe modules installed in the chassis.
- update firmware to a new version if available.

> We recommended that you update firmware if a new version is available.

▶ To upgrade firmware:

1. Open **Cohesion Manager**, for example by searching for it in the Windows Start Menu.
2. In **Cohesion Manager**, click **Firmware Updater**.
3. Modules with out-of-date firmware are highlighted red.
4. Click **Automatic** to update automatically.
5. Progress will be displayed in **Update Status**.
6. Click **File** to update to a specific firmware package.

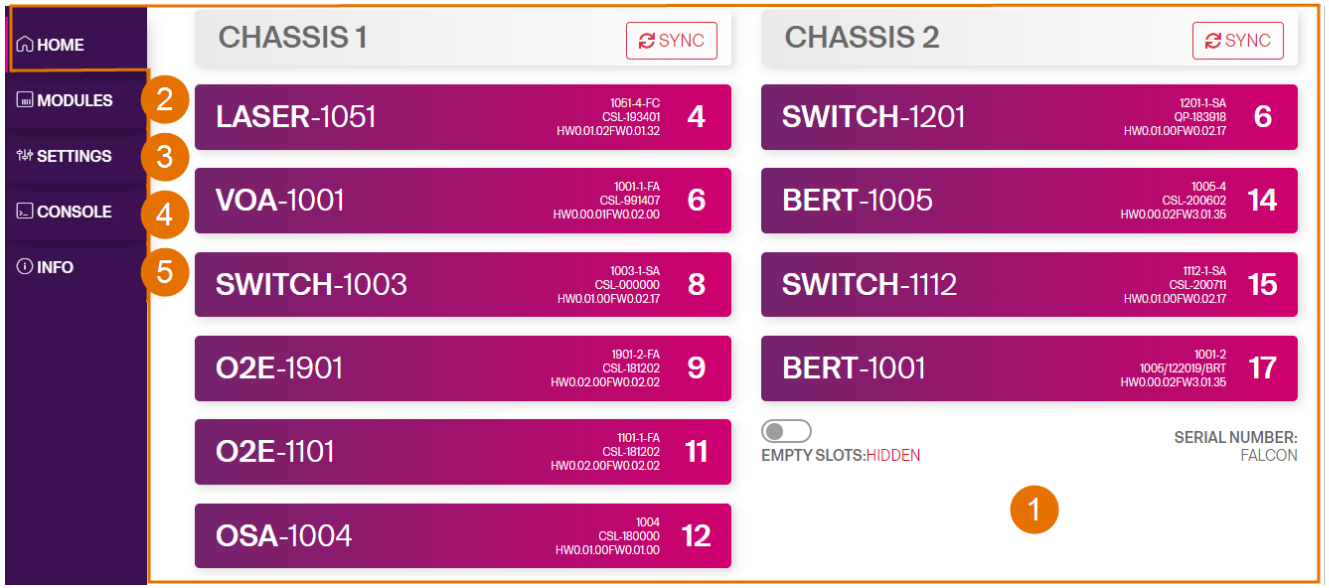


7 CohesionUI - Overview

CohesionUI is a web-based graphical interface that you can use to work with your Quantifi Photonics products.

> CohesionUI is part of the Cohesion Installer software package.

1. **HOME**: View all modules in the chassis
2. **MODULES**: Access a module
3. **SETTINGS**: Change CohesionUI settings
4. **CONSOLE**: Communicate with modules using SCPI commands
5. **INFO**: Display chassis information



7.1 Access a module with CohesionUI

You can access Quantifi Photonics modules via CohesionUI from the chassis controller, or from a controller PC.

To connect with a module, you need the IP address of the chassis the module is installed in.

▶ To obtain the IP address of the chassis:

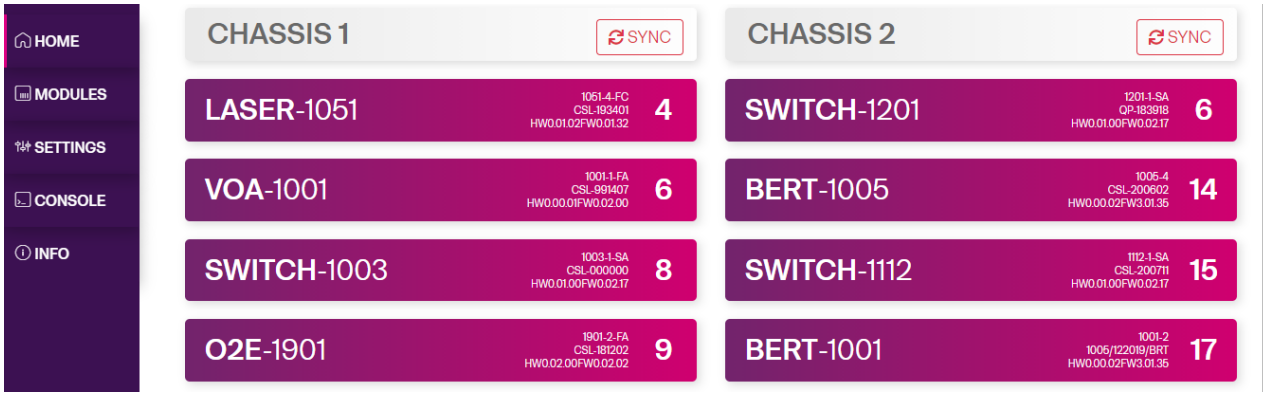
1. Open the **Command Prompt** window on the chassis controller.
2. Run the `ipconfig` command.
3. Note down the IPv4 address that is displayed.

▶ To connect with modules via CohesionUI:

1. On the controller or controller PC, open CohesionUI, for example by double-clicking the desktop icon, or open a supported browser.
2. Enter the IP address of the chassis as the URL.

   On the controller you can use `127.0.0.1` as the URL instead.

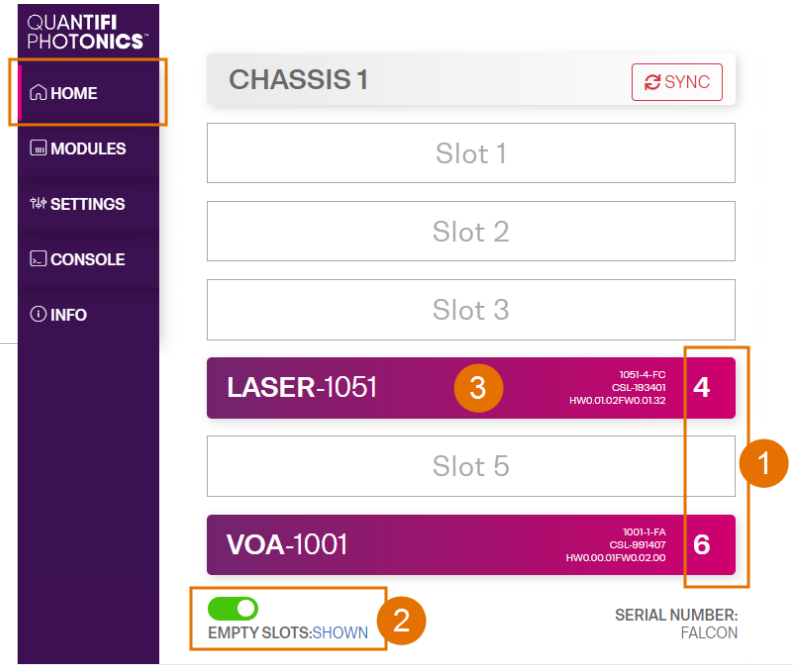
3. CohesionUI will launch in the browser, listing all available Quantifi Photonics modules installed in the chassis.



7.2 Display modules in a chassis

The **HOME** page is the main landing page in CohesionUI; it displays all available Quantifi Photonics modules in the PXIe chassis.

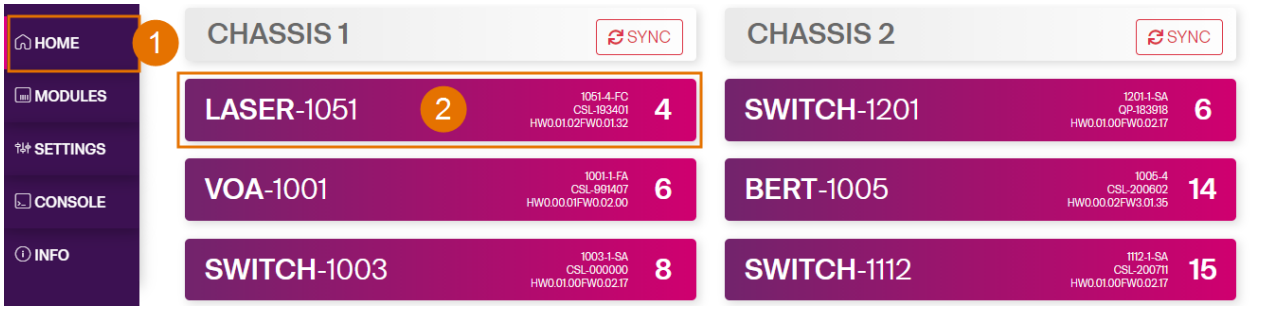
1. Numbers indicate the slots the modules are installed in.
2. You can hide (default setting) or show empty slots in the PXIe chassis by toggling the **EMPTY SLOTS** button.
3. You can select a module to work with by clicking it.



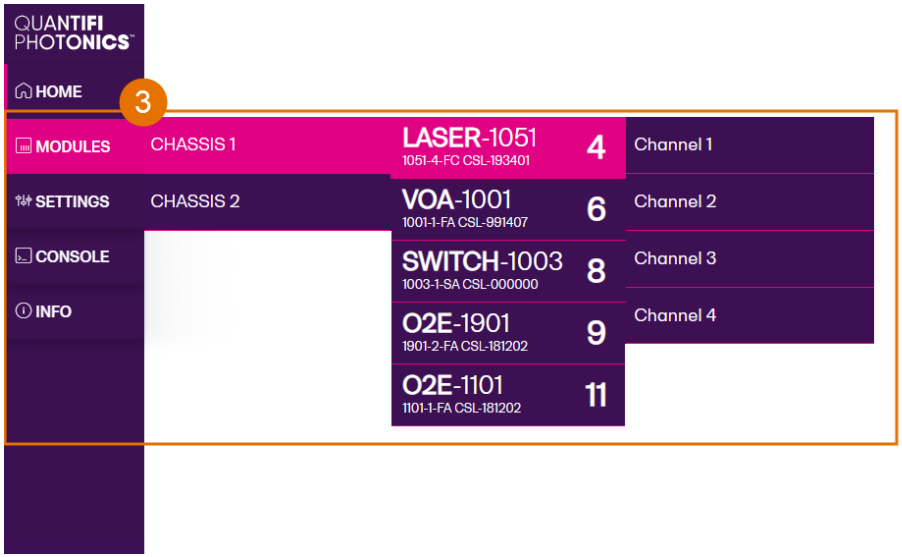
7.3 Select a module to work with

▶ To select a module:

1. Go to the **HOME** page.
2. Click the on the module.



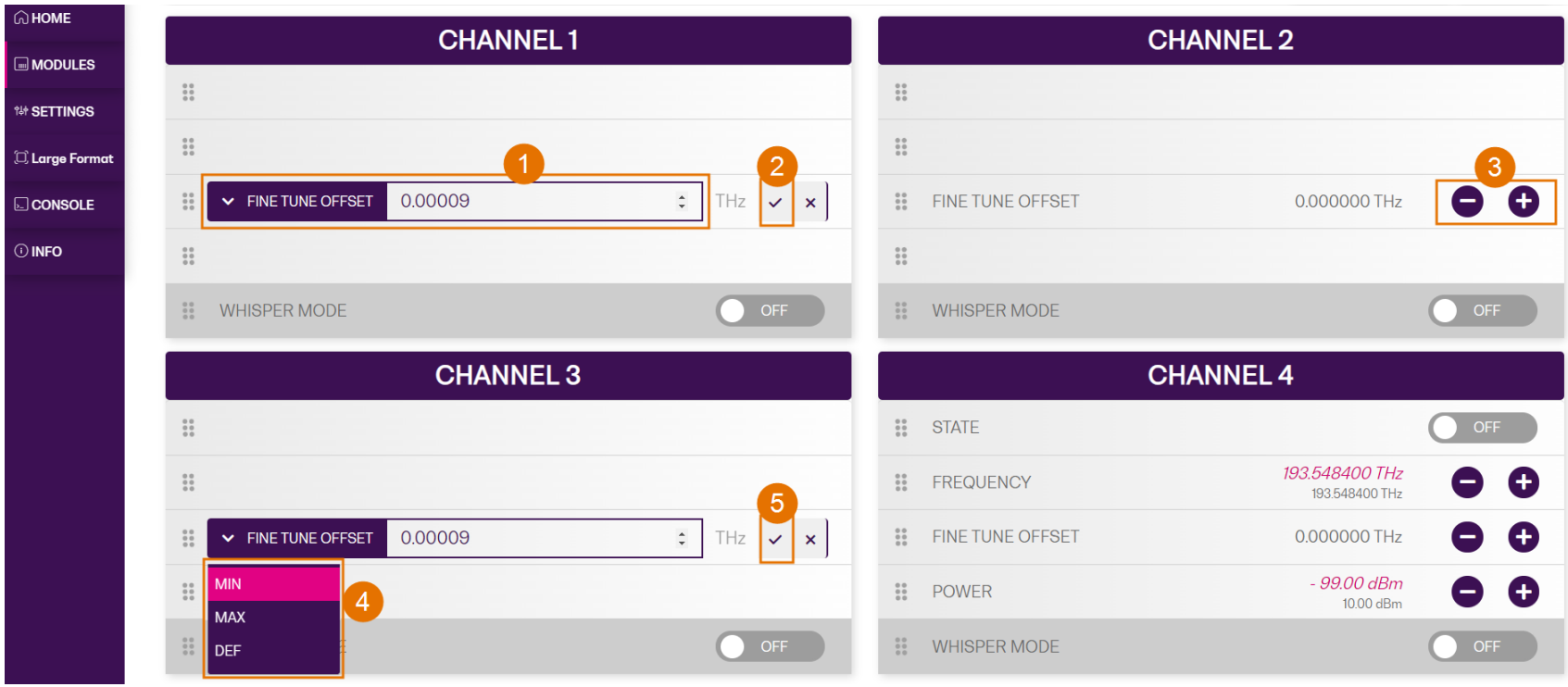
3. Or, hover over the **MODULES** menu and select a module or channel from the list.



7.4 Set values

In CohesionUI you can set values for parameters where applicable.

- To set a value:
  1. Click on a parameter and enter a value.
  2. Confirm the value.
  3. Alternatively, you can use + and - to increase or decrease the value. You can edit the step size in the **SETTINGS** menu.
- To set a pre-defined value, for example **MIN**, **MAX** or **DEF**:
  4. Click on a parameter and select a value from the dropdown menu.
  5. Confirm the value.

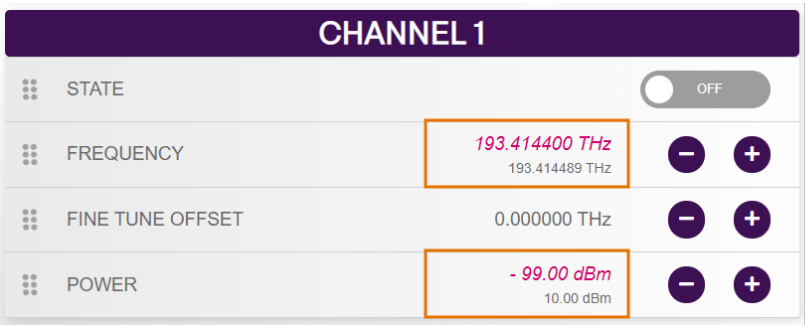


For details on how to change the step size, refer to Manage CohesionUI settings.

7.5 SET values and ACTUAL values

In some cases you can manually set a value that will be displayed alongside the actual value as follows:

- ***ACTUAL***: The actual value of the parameter as queried by the product.
- **SET**: The intended value of a given parameter as set by the user.



7.6 Manage CohesionUI settings

On the **SETTINGS** page you can configure CohesionUI settings and unit preferences.

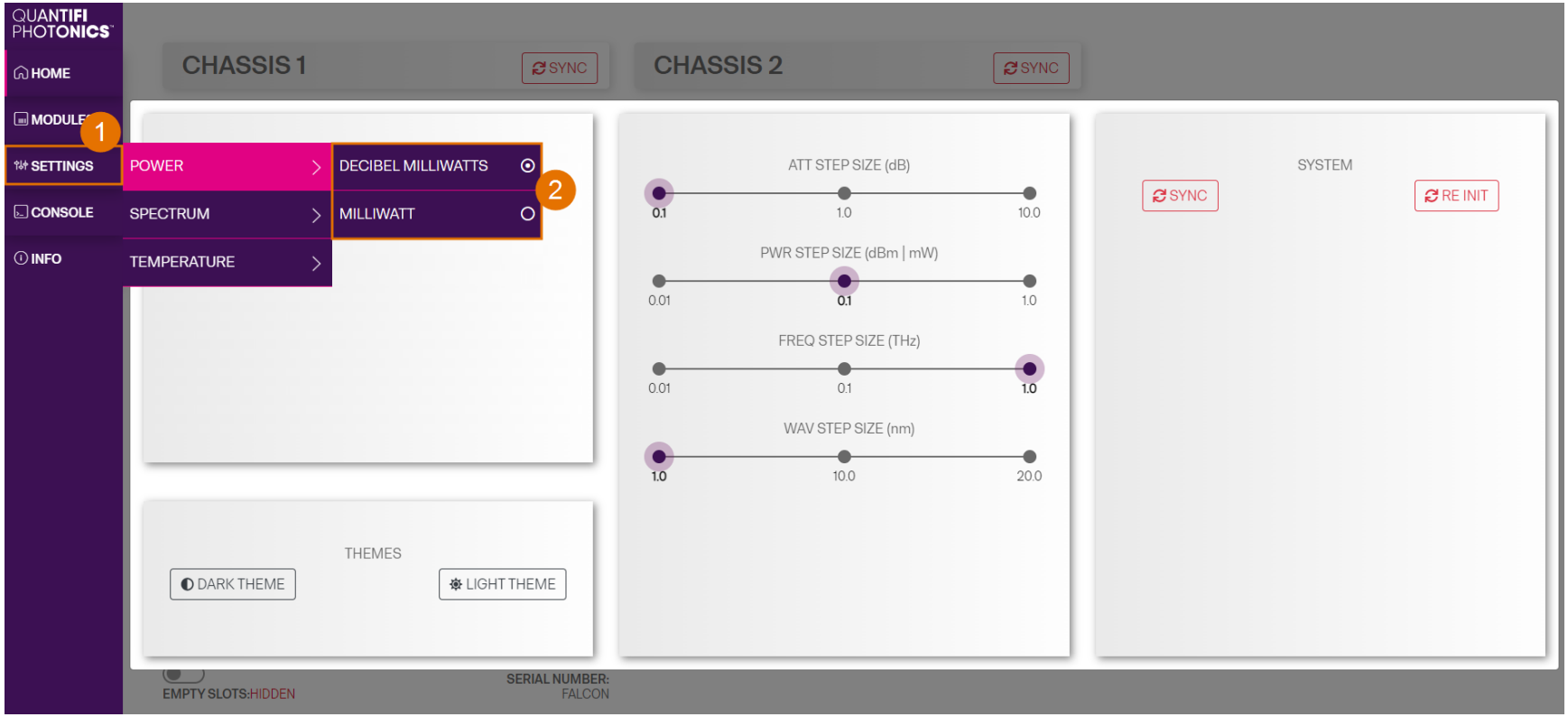
> **NOTE**
>
> CohesionUI reverts to default settings when power-cycling the chassis.

▶ To view all settings and unit preferences and adjust as required:

1. Click **SETTINGS**.
2. Change settings or unit preferences as required, for example temperature units.
   Please note that the units displayed on this page are not always relevant for each product.
3. **Step size** refers to the amount by which a value is increased or decreased when clicking the **+** or **-** button.

To adjust unit preferences one at a time:

1. Hover over **SETTINGS**.
2. Select a unit from the dropdown, for example the power unit.



7.7 Synchronize and reinitialize CohesionUI

You can update CohesionUI with the latest information from your Quantifi Photonics modules by synchronizing or reinitializing.

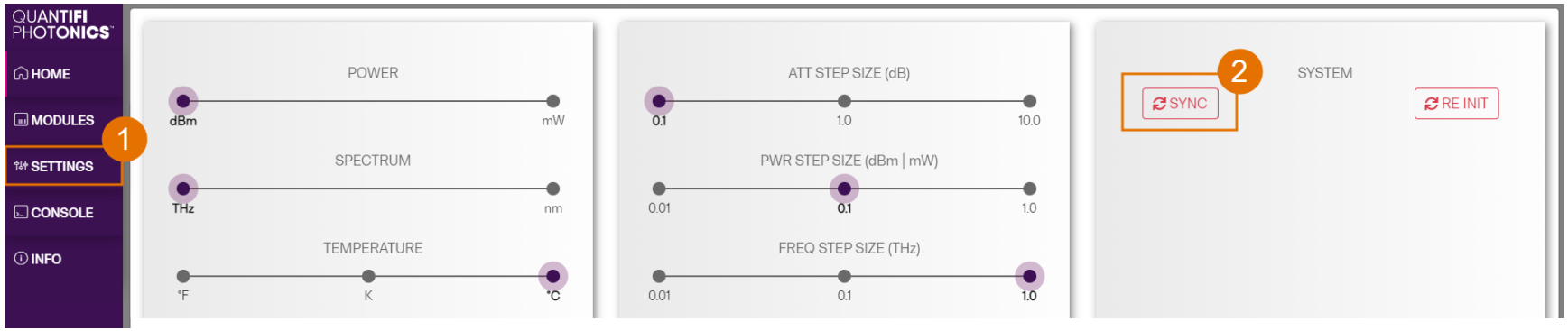
Synchronizing	Updates **CohesionUI** with the latest information from the **CohesionSCPI service**
Reinitializing	Updates **CohesionUI and the CohesionSCPI service** with the latest information from the **CohesionDriver service**

This can be particularly useful when operating a multi-chassis MXI setup and enables you to:

- Re-discover modules that CohesionUI does not display as expected.
- Discover modules that have been installed after the initial startup.

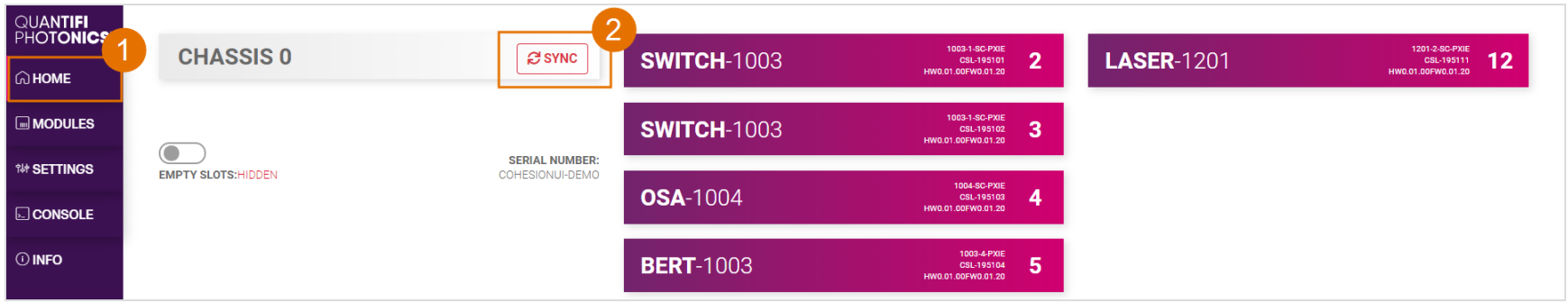
▶ To **synchronize** CohesionUI across **all modules in all chassis**:

1. Click **SETTINGS**.
2. Click **SYNC**.
3. The page will be disabled while synchronizing.



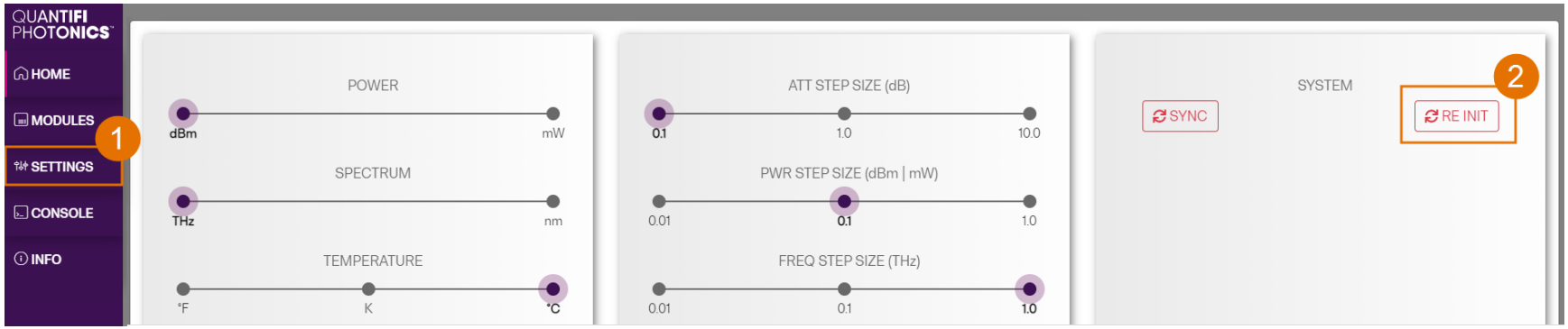
- To **synchronize** CohesionUI across **all modules in a selected chassis** only:

  1. Click **HOME**.
  2. Click **SYNC** for a selected chassis.
  3. The page will be disabled while synchronizing.



- To **reinitialize** CohesionUI across **all modules in all chassis**:

  1. Click **SETTINGS**.
  2. Click **RE-INIT**.
  3. All modules will be disabled and temporarily disconnected while reinitializing.



7.8 SCPI CohesionUI Command Console

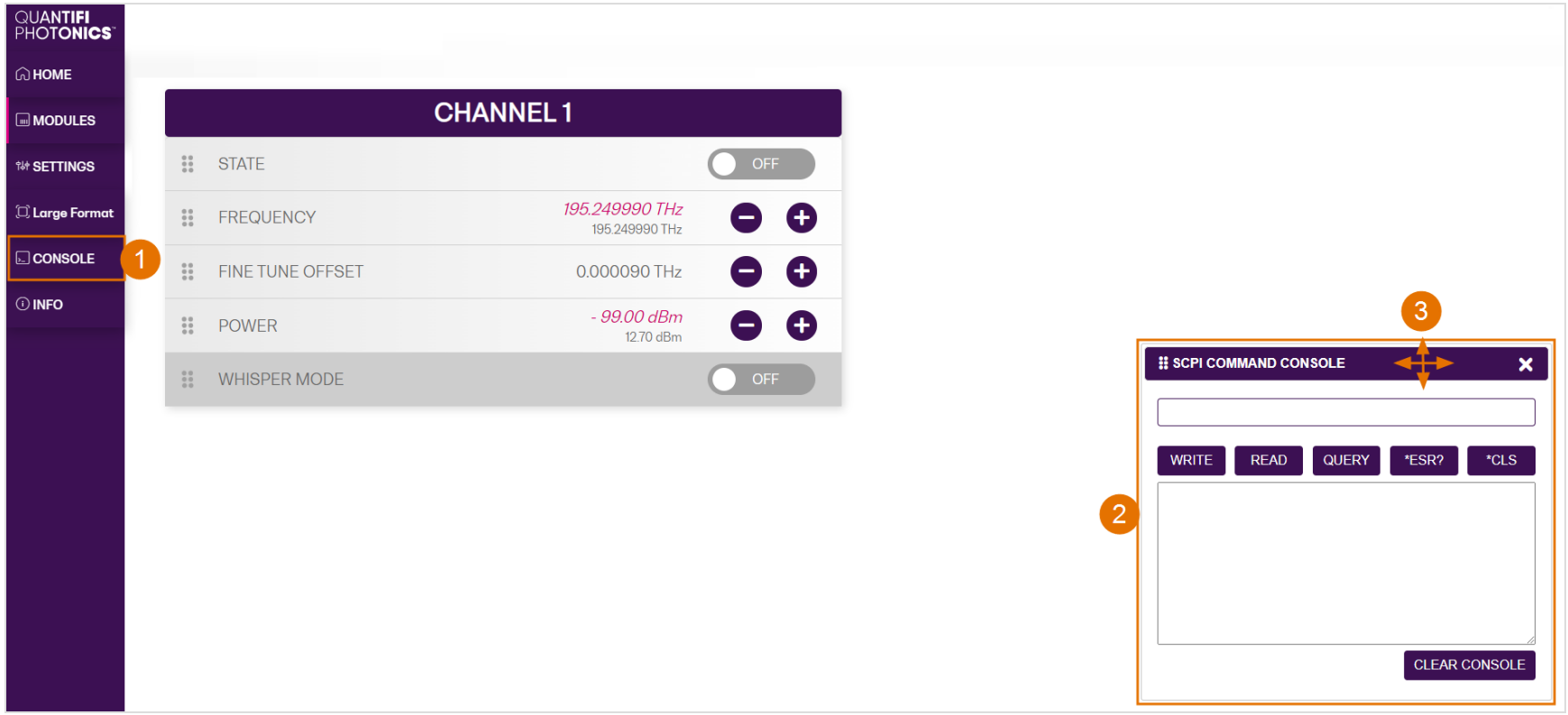
The CohesionUI SCPI Command Console enables you to communicate with Quantifi Photonics PXIE modules via SCPI commands. It enables you to test commands and verify their syntax.

For details on available SCPI commands, refer to the SCPI command section.

▶ To open the SCPI Command Console:

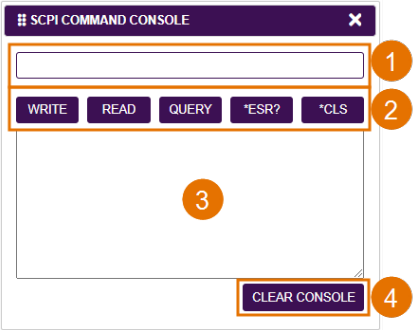
1. On the CohesionUI menu, click **CONSOLE**.
2. The console will appear in the bottom right corner of the screen.
3. You can move the console by clicking on the title bar and dragging it to any position on the screen. On closing and re-opening, the console will re-appear at its last position.

The console remains open when navigating between different modules. It floats on top of the UI so that you can observe the effect of SCPI commands on a module in real-time.



To communicate with a module via the SCPI Command Console:

1. Enter a command.
2. Select action(s).
3. Review the action response in the output area.
4. (optional) Clear the output area.



You can choose from these SCPI command actions:

Action	Meaning	FAILED response
WRITE	Send the command to the instrument	The command is invalid. Please check the command and syntax.
READ	(after WRITE) Request the response from the instrument	Response buffer is empty.
QUERY	WRITE and READ	
*ESR?	Query the status event status register (ESR) – this will give you more details and specific information about command failures. For details on error codes, please refer to the programming guide in this manual.	
*CLS	Clear the response buffer and start fresh – useful when getting out of sync with WRITE and READ actions	

Example 1: Send instrument identification query `*idn?`

1. Enter the command: `*idn?`
2. Click **QUERY**.
3. The module returns the requested information.

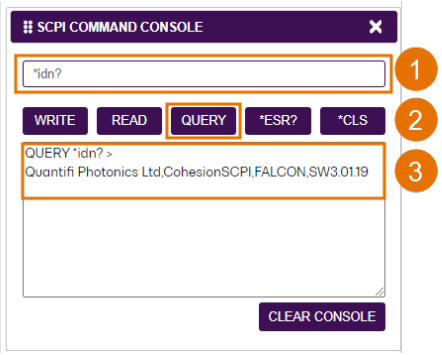
Example 2: What happens when I send an incorrect command?

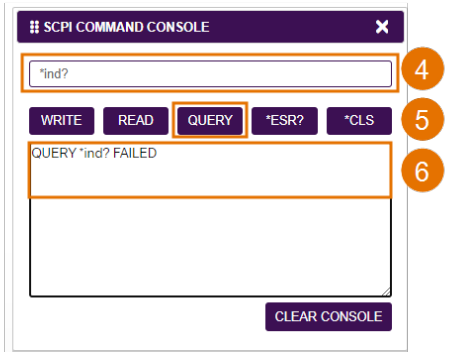
4. Enter an incorrect command, for example: ***ind?**
5. Click **QUERY**.
6. The module returns **FAILED**.

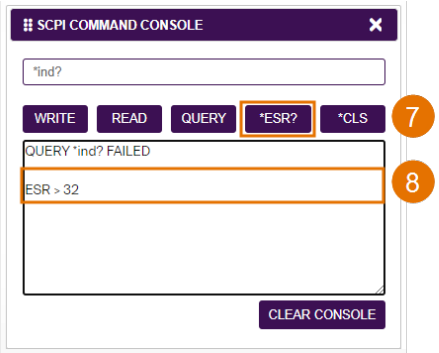
Example 3: Investigate a command failure:

7. Click `*ESR?` to query the event status register and request information about the command failure.
8. The instrument returns the error code, for example 32.

   For details on error codes, please refer to the *ESR? command in the programming guide.





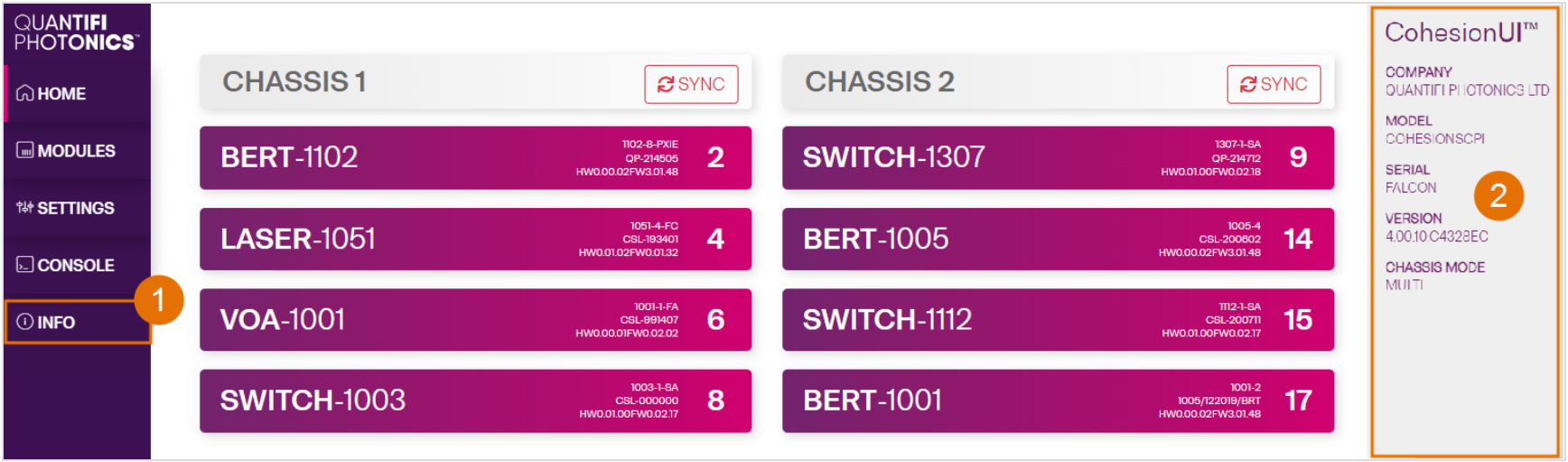


7.9 View system information

7.9.1 PXIe Chassis

▶ To display chassis information:

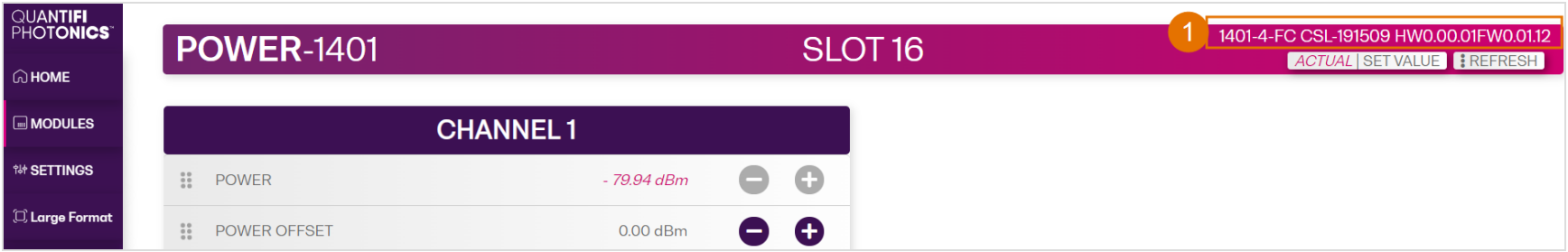
1. Click **INFO**.
2. The information panel will display operation mode, manufacturer, model, and serial number of the chassis, and the version of CohesionUI and CohesionSCPI service running on the chassis.



7.9.2 Module

▶ To view module information when working with a module in CohesionUI:

1. Model number, serial number and firmware versions are displayed in the top right corner.



8 Controlling your O2E product with CohesionUI

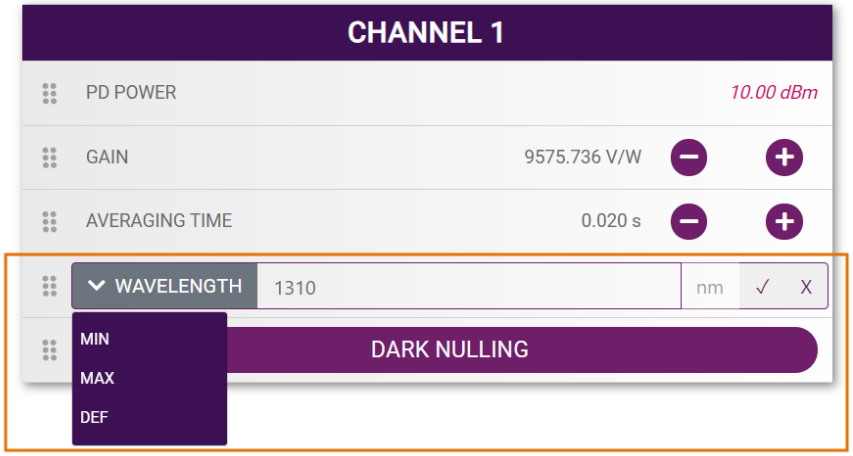
You can use Quantifi Photonics' graphical user interface CohesionUI to work with your module. For details on how to get started with CohesionUI, refer to CohesionUI - Overview.

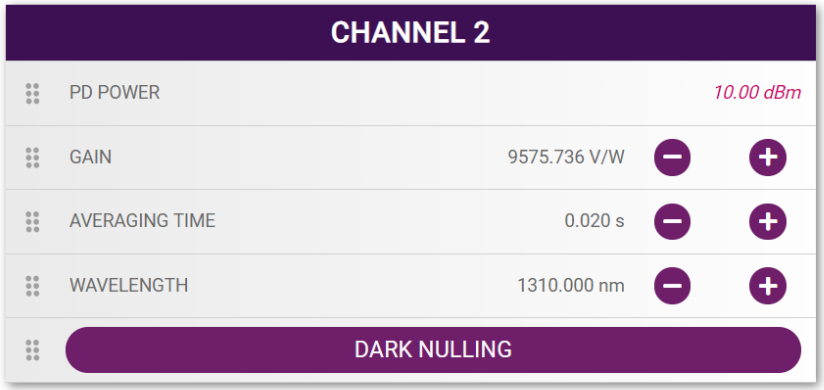
8.1 Setting channel parameter values

Specific control parameters for a given channel in the product can be set by clicking the parameter button, or by using the + and – control buttons to increase or decrease the value field by a set amount. This step size is set in the SETTINGS menu. Alternatively, the parameter can also be set to the MIN and MAX value by clicking the dropdown in the name of the parameter.

This applies to the following parameters:

- **GAIN**: For O2E 1101 products, the gain level can be set in Volts per Watt. For all other products, this field displays the gain value which is fixed and calibrated at the factory.
- **AVERAGING TIME**: The amount of time the optical power is logged for before calculating an average power reading.
- **WAVELENGTH**: Used so that the conversion gain of the O2E product is appropriate for the given input optical wavelength.





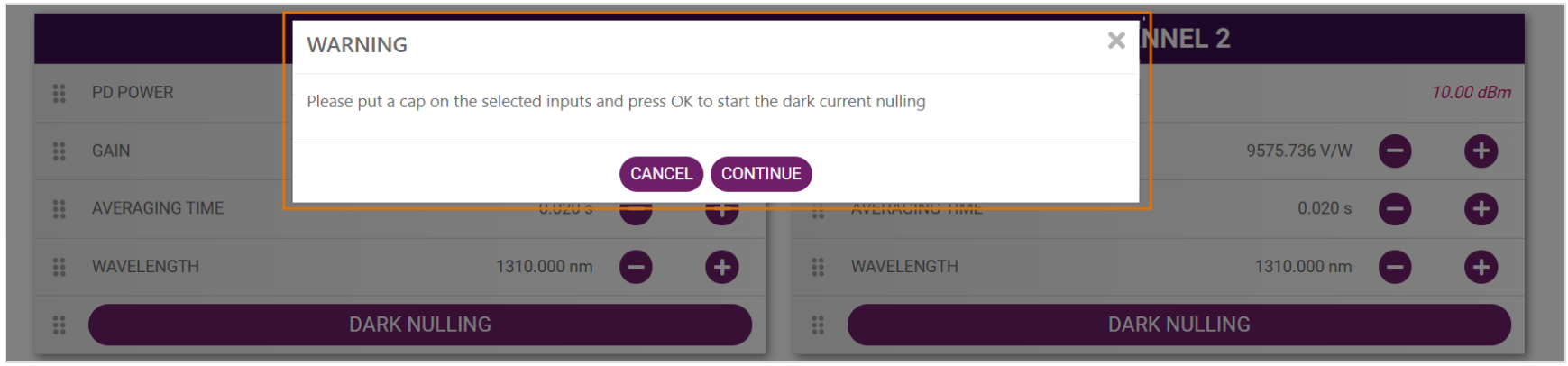
In the above example, the **WAVELENGTH** for CHANNEL 1 has been set to **1310 nm** by manual input. Alternatively clicking the MIN button in the dropdown menu will set the wavelength to the minimum value. To apply the changes, click the tick mark.

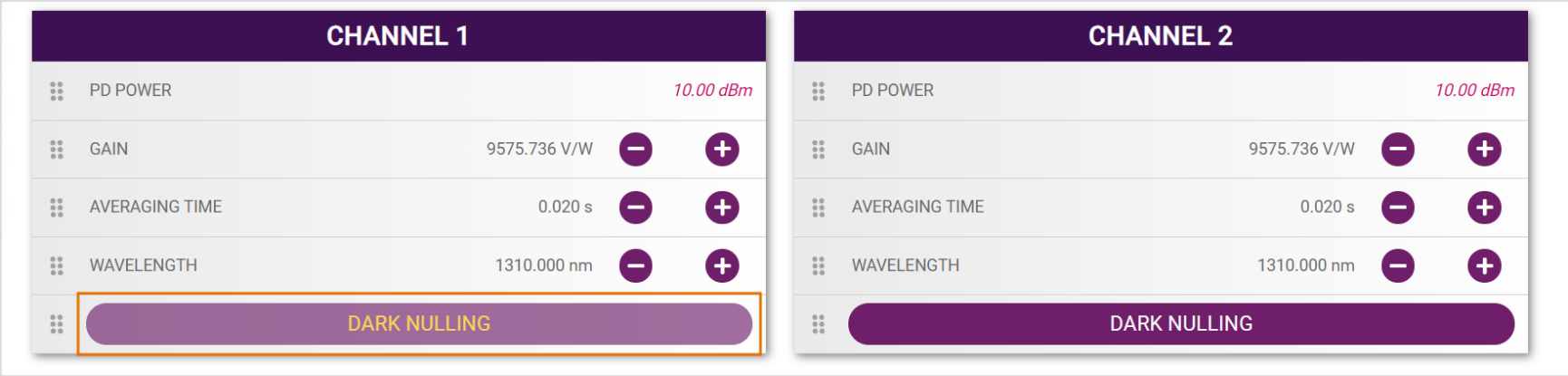
The measured optical power is shown as 10 dBm. This value corresponds to the converted optical power at the set **WAVELENGTH** and **AVERAGING TIME**, with the appropriate conversion gain applied.

8.2 Dark current nulling

In order to get a good conversion from an optical to electrical signal, the noise of the channel must be accounted for. Users can achieve this by performing Dark Current Nulling, where the optical port is covered with a dust cap, and the noise current is measured. This value is then subtracted accordingly from any input signal, to remove the effects of the noise.

Clicking the **DARK NULLING** button will bring up a prompt to continue and instruct the user to cover the optical port of the channel with a dust cap. Clicking **CONTINUE** will proceed with the nulling, and once it is completed the **DARK NULLING** button will light up with a yellow border for a few seconds.





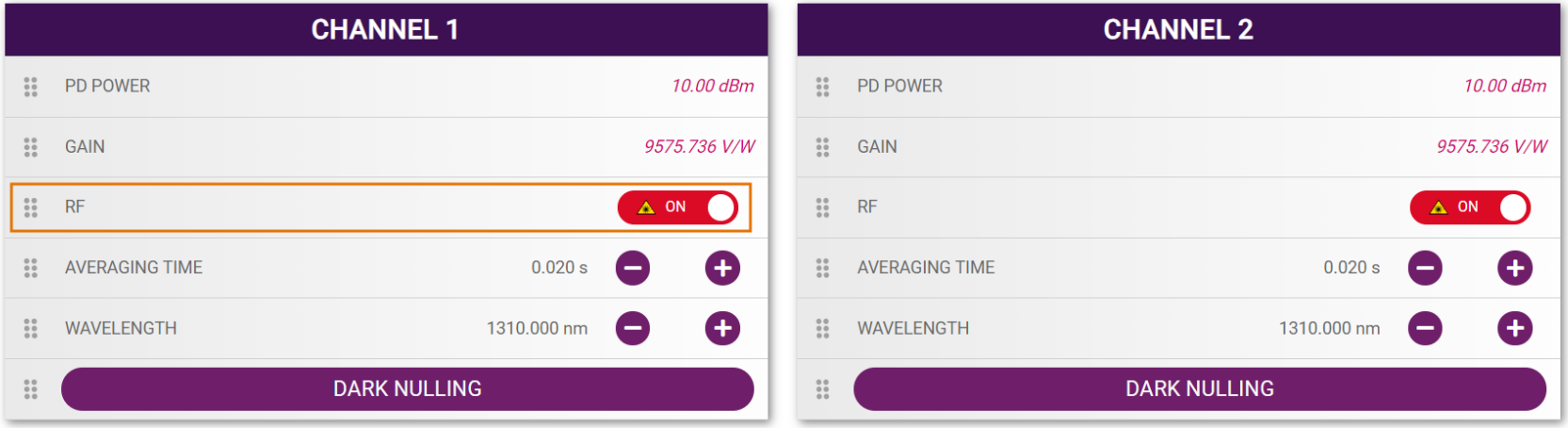
8.3 Toggling the RF amplifier ON / OFF

On selected O2E products (14XX and 19XX) there is an onboard RF Amplifier, which can be turned **ON / OFF** using the **RF** control buttons.

When the RF Amplifier is **ON**, the button will be colored red, and when **OFF** it will be grey. The default state is **OFF**.

NOTE

When the RF is toggled **OFF**, the RF output will be disabled. This function is only applicable with products that have an RF amplifier (14XX and 19XX).



9 Controlling your O2E product with SCPI commands

Remote communication with the CohesionSCPI service is achieved through the Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments (SCPI).

Support for VISA I/O API over TCP/IP is provided by the VXI-11 compliant CohesionSCPI service. With VISA communication drivers installed on the client, the implementation of VISA programming within environments such as MATLAB becomes available.

This section details the programming and measurement conventions to follow while executing the commands for the CohesionSCPI service.

NOTE

In NI-MAX a RIO interface will show up, however there are no communication methods available or implemented on this interface. Quantifi Photonics products are **ONLY** accessible through the **VISA TCPIP INSTR** interface provided by the CohesionSCPI service installed on the system.

9.1 Overview

You can operate your Quantifi Photonics module using SCPI commands.

For details on available SCPI commands, refer to:

- Command summary
- Command descriptions

9.2 Programming conventions

This section details the programming and measurement conventions to follow while executing the commands for the CohesionSCPI service.

Parameter	Default Unit	Alternative Units
Power	DBM	DBM
Wavelength	M	NM, PM
Frequency	HZ	THZ, GHZ, MHZ, KHZ
Time	S	
Rate	HZ	
Gain	V/W	

Argument	Data Format
`<wsp>`	Specifies whitespace character (01_{16} – 09_{16}, $0B_{16}$ – 20_{16})
`<value>`	Is numerical data, an integer, a decimal, exponential (10e-9 or 5.8e6) or string
`[VALUE1 | VALUE2]`	A parameter choice. The '|' separates the unique parameters available, only one of the choices can be used. In the example, either the input parameter `[VALUE1]` or `[VALUE2]` can be used, but not both. Some commands may have more than two choices available. This parameter can be omitted where the command has a default defined in the command description.

9.2.1 Index addressing of modules (slot, source) and units (channel)

When executing commands, it is almost always necessary to provide the index of a specific module or an index of a specific installed unit.

For the commands that require index values:

Index	Description	Value
`<n>`		integer `1`
`<m>`	the channel index of a specific unit in the module	integer `<1` to `2>` (depending on your O2E model)

Message queues

Information is exchanged in the form of messages. These messages are held in input and output queues.

The output queue stores responses to query commands. The CohesionSCPI service transmits any data in the output queue when a read request is received. Unless specified, all output response data is transmitted in ASCII format.

9.3 Status and event registers

9.3.1 Standard Event Status Register

The Standard Event Status Register (SESR) is modified by the Quantifi Photonics product with the results of the command operations.

Bit	Description
7 (MSB), 6	Not used
5	Is set when a Command Error event has been detected
4	Is set when a command Execution Error has been detected
3	Is set when a Device Dependent Error event has been detected
2	Is set when there a Query Error event has been detected
1	Not used
0 (LSB)	Is set when an Operation Complete event has been generated

9.3.2 Standard Event Status Enable Register (Mask)

The Standard Event Status Enable Register (SESR Mask) is used to build the Event Status Bit (ESB) within the Status Byte Register (STB). To ignore any of the events detected and set in the SESR, set the corresponding bit within the SESR Mask to 0. The STB can then be queried and the value of the ESB can be used to determine service request requirements based on the SESR Mask applied.

NOTE

The 0 (LSB) value within the SESR Mask is 0.

9.3.3 Status Byte Register

The Status Byte Register (STB) is built from all other status registers and masks. This register can be used in queries to determine if an event has been detected and where that event has been detected.

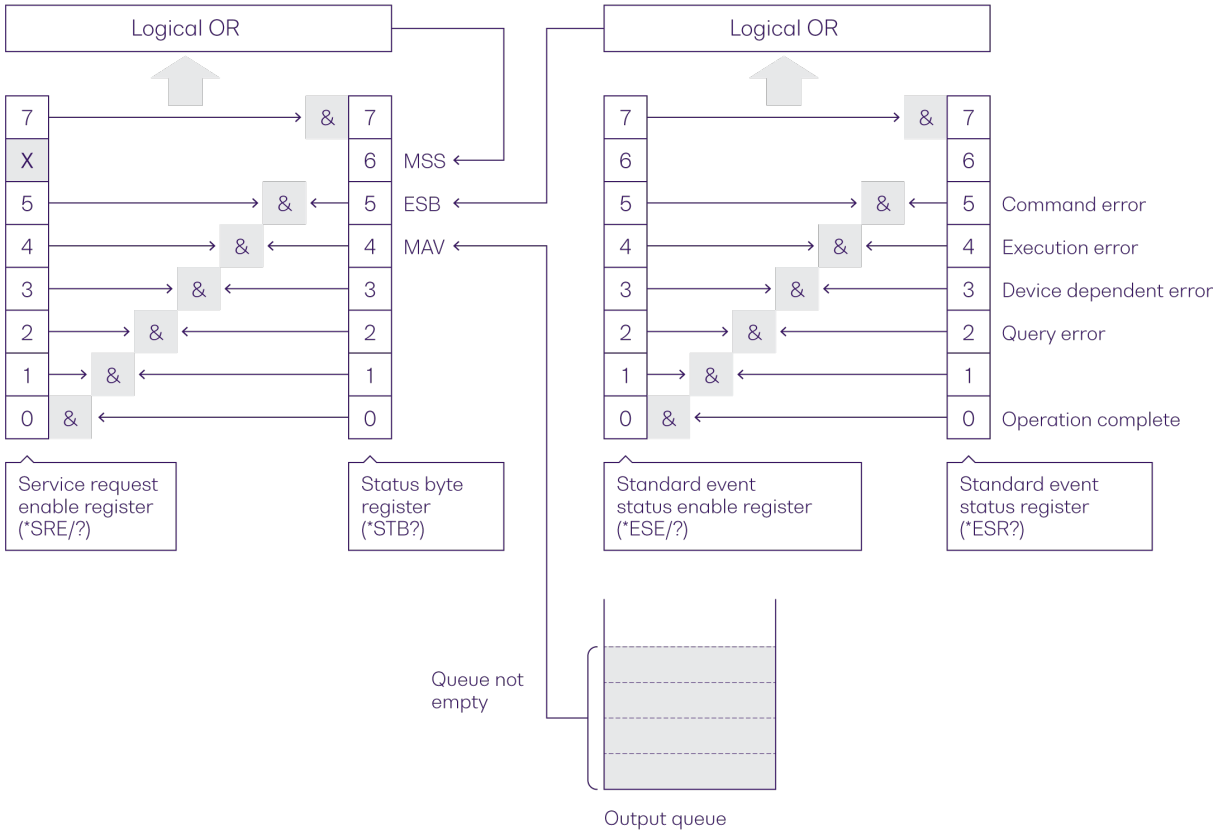
Bit	Description
7 (MSB)	Not used
6	The Master Summary Status (MSS) bit is set from the STB and SRE Mask
5	The Event Status Bit (ESB) is set from the SESR and the SESR Mask
4	Message Available (MAV) is set when there is data in the output queue
3, 2, 1, 0 (LSB)	Not used

9.3.4 Service Request Enable Register (Mask)

The Standard Request Enable Register (SRE Mask) is used to build the Master Summary Status Bit (MSS) within the Status Byte Register (STB). To ignore any of the events detected and set in the STB register itself, set the corresponding bit within the SRE Mask to 0. The STB can then be queried and the value of the MSS can be used to determine the type of service request required based on the SRE Mask applied.

Bit	Description
7 (MSB)	Not used
6	The Master Summary Status (MSS) bit is set from the STB and SRE Mask
5	The Event Status Bit (ESB) is set from the SESR and the SESR Mask
4	Message Available (MAV) is set when there is data in the output queue
3, 2, 1, 0 (LSB)	Not used

9.3.5 Status and event registers diagram



9.4 PXIe Multi Chassis mode operation

Multiple chassis can be connected to operate in **Multi Chassis Mode**.

To operate in Multi Chassis Mode, **CohesionSCPI service must be version 1.02.06 or later**.

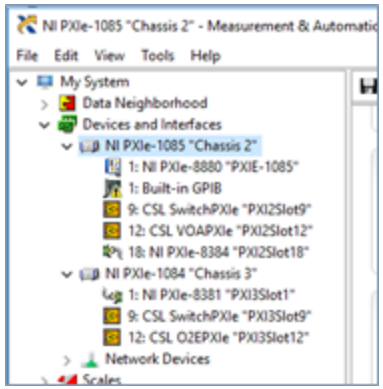
9.4.1 NI-MAX application Multi Chassis mode

NOTE

The CohesionSCPI service does not manage the chassis numbers. These are controlled by the NI Platform Services (and through NI-MAX).

Even if the CohesionSCPI service is in Multi Chassis mode, if a chassis is connected but has no installed modules, it will not show up when `*OPT?` is run.

In the example shown below, there are two chassis connected via the PXIe-8384 to PXIe-8381 connection. Chassis #2 has the controller running CohesionSCPI service, and Chassis #3 is the 'extended' chassis.



9.4.2 SCPI Multi Chassis commands

NOTE

Changing the CohesionSCPI service Chassis Mode will rediscover all Chassis and installed modules.

Command	`:SYSTEM:CHASSIS?`
Syntax	`:SYSTEM:CHASSIS?<wsp>[LIST|MODE]`
Description	Query the Chassis Mode configuration
Parameters	No parameters
Response	**`List`**: Returns a comma separated list of valid chassis index numbers discovered by the CohesionSCPI service. These are chassis that have modules installed.
	`MODE`: Returns the current Chassis Mode the CohesionSCPI service is operating in (SINGLE or MULTI).
	`None`: Returns the number of chassis managed by the CohesionSCPI service. If this is greater than 1, then the system should be set to MULTI mode for correct operation.

Example	In Single chassis mode:
	`:SYSTEM:CHASSIS? -> 1`
	`:SYSTEM:CHASSIS? LIST -> 0`
	`:SYSTEM:CHASSIS? MODE -> SINGLE`
	
	In Multi chassis mode:
	`:SYSTEM:CHASSIS? -> 2`
	`:SYSTEM:CHASSIS? LIST -> 2,3`
	`:SYSTEM:CHASSIS? MODE -> MULTI`

Command	`:SYSTEM:CHASSIS`
Syntax	`:SYSTEM:CHASSIS<wsp>[SINGLE|MULTI]`
Description	Set the Chassis Mode configuration
Parameters	**`SINGLE`**: Set CohesionSCPI service to operate in SINGLE Chassis Mode
	`MULTI`: Set CohesionSCPI service to operate in MULTI Chassis Mode
Response	No response
Example	`:SYSTEM:CHASSIS SINGLE`

In Multi chassis mode, all commands listed in the command summary section will still work, but they must be prefixed with `:CHASSIS<c>`.

Common command example:

Single Chassis Mode	`:SLOT2:IDN?`
Multi Chassis Mode	`:CHASSIS1:SLOT2:IDN?`

Specific command example:

Single Chassis Mode	`:SOUR2:CHAN2:POW? MAX`
Multi Chassis Mode	`:CHASSIS1:SOUR2:CHAN2:POW? MAX`

9.5 Command summary

9.5.1 Common commands

Command	Description
`*CLS`	Clear session message queues >>
`*IDN?`	Query the CohesionSCPI service identification >>
`*OPC?`	Query the Operation Complete Status >>
`*OPT?`	Query the modules managed by the CohesionSCPI service >>
`*ESR?`	Query the Standard Event Status Register >>

9.5.2 System commands

Command	Description
`:SYSTEM`	
`:PRESet`	Restore module settings of all modules to power-on default values >>

9.5.3 Slot commands

Slot commands	Description
`:SLOT<n>`	
`:OPC?`	Query the Operation Complete Status of the module >>
`:OPTions?`	Query the modules managed by the CohesionSCPI service >>
`:IDN?`	Query the slot identification >>
`:PRESet`	Restore module settings to power-on default values >>
`:TRIGger<n>`	
`:DELay?`	Query the trigger delay >>
`:DELay`	Set the trigger delay >>
`:MODE?`	Query the Trigger Line event mode of the module >>
`:MODE`	Set the Trigger Line event mode of the module >>
`:SOURce?`	Query the Trigger Line(s) used for events >>
`:SOURce`	Set the Trigger Line(s) used for events >>
`:ARM?`	Query the Trigger ARMed state >>
`:ARM`	Set the Trigger ARMed state >>

9.5.4 Configuration commands

Configuration commands	Description
`:INPut<n>`	
`:CHANnel<m>`	
`:PDPower?`	Query the input optical power >>
`:NULLing`	Perform dark current nulling >>
`:TIMEnulling?`	Query the amount of time remaining for dark current nulling to complete >>
`:AVERagingtime?`	Query the measurement averaging time >>
`:AVERagingtime`	Set the measurement averaging time >>
`:WAVelength?`	Query the input optical wavelength configuration >>
`:WAVelength`	Set the input optical wavelength configuration >>
`:CALibration?`	Query the S21 response calibration values >>
`:RF?`	Query the RF output >>
`:RF`	Set the RF output >>
`:TRACE`	
`:CoMPlete?`	Query the trace completion status >>
`:PoinTS?`	Query the number of trace buffer data elements >>
`:PoinTS`	Set the number of trace buffer data elements >>
`:RATE?`	Query the trace buffer sampling rate >>
`:RATE`	Set the trace buffer sampling rate >>
`:TRIGger`	Set the trace trigger mode >>
`:TRACE<m>?`	Query the trace buffer >>
`:OUTPut<n>`	
`:CHANnel<m>`	
`:GAIN?`	Query the values for the conversion gain >>

9.6 Command descriptions

9.6.1 Common commands

Command	***CLS**	Summary >>
Syntax	`*CLS`	
Description	Clear session message queues	
Parameters	N/A	
Response	N/A	
Example	`*CLS`	

Command	***IDN?**	Summary >>
Syntax	`*IDN?`	
Description	Query the CohesionSCPI service identification	
Parameters	N/A	
Response	Comma separated string with the <manufacturer>,<server name>,<chassis controller name>,<server version>	
Example	`*IDN? -> Quantifi Photonics Ltd,CohesionSCPI,ARCTURUS,SW3.02.11.00`	

Command	***OPC?**	Summary >>
Syntax	`*OPC?`	
Description	Query the Operation Complete Status	
Parameters		
Response	**1**: all modules installed in the chassis are ready to execute commands	
	0: modules installed in the chassis still have commands to execute in the input queue	
	NOTE: Any commands sent to the module when `:MODUle:OPC?` is NOT equal `1`, may not execute or return an error.	
Example	`*OPC? -> 1`	

Command	***OPT?**	Summary >>
Syntax	`*OPT?`	
Description	Query the modules managed by the CohesionSCPI service	
Parameters	N/A	
Response	Comma separated string of the installed modules in the chassis	
Example	`*OPT? -> ,LASER-2001-1-FA-PXIE,SWITCH-1003-1-FC-PXIE,,VOA-1001-2-FA-PXIE,,,,O2E-1001-1-FC-PXIE,,,,,,,,`	

Command	**`*ESR?`**			Summary >>
Syntax	`*ESR?`			
Description	Query the Standard Event Status Register			
Parameters	N/A			
Response	Unsigned integer 8 bit value for the register <0 to 255>, as a string.			
	Bit	Description	Decimal Value	
	7 (MSB)	Not used	0	
	6	Not used	0	
	5	Command error	32	
	4	Command Execution Error	16	
	3	Device Dependent Error	8	
	2	Not used	0	
	1	Not used	0	
	0 (LSB)	Operation Complete	1	
Example	`*ESR? -> 8` `*ESR? -> 32`			

NOTE

It is recommended to use the `*ESR?` command query after every command that is sent to the device. The `*ESR?` query will be able to catch:

- **Device dependent Error** – the device is reporting an error in operation.
- **Execution Error** – SCPI was unable to execute the given command.
- **Command Error** – SCPI was unable to parse the given command, likely due to an incorrect command.

9.6.2 System commands

Command	**`:SYSTEM:PRESet`**	Summary >>
Syntax	`:SYSTEM:PRESet`	
Description	Restore module settings of all modules to power-on default values Disables triggering by setting the trace trigger mode to `STOPped`. Disables Trigger ARM by setting the Trigger ARMed state to `DISABLE`.	
Parameters	N/A	
Response	N/A	
Example	`:SYSTEM:PRES`	

9.6.3 Slot commands

Command	**:SLOT<n>:OPC?** Summary >>
Syntax	:SLOT<n>:OPC?
Description	Query the Operation Complete Status of the module
Parameters	N/A
Response	**1**: the module is ready to accept a new command
	0: the module is busy performing a previous operation
	NOTE: Any commands sent to the module when :SLOT:OPC? is NOT 1, may not execute or return an error.
Description	:SLOT1:OPC? -> 1

Command	**:SLOT<n>:OPTions?** Summary >>
Syntax	:SLOT<n>:OPTions?
Description	Query the modules managed by the CohesionSCPI service
Parameters	N/A
Response	A comma separated array, or a single integer value based on the arguments given. If a module is not installed in a channel, it will not return any identification string.
Example	:SLOT1:OPT? -> 1,1,,

Command	**:SLOT<n>:IDN?** Summary >>
Syntax	:SLOT<n>:IDN?
Description	Query the slot identification
Parameters	N/A
Response	A comma-separated string containing "<manufacturer>,<part number>,<serial number>,<hardware version><firmware version>". Note that the hardware and firmware versions are not comma separated.
Example	:SLOT1:IDN? -> Quantifi Photonics, POWER-1500-2-FC-PXIE, QP-192001, HW1.0FW1.02

Command	**:SLOT<n>:PRESet**	Summary >>
Syntax	:SLOT<n>:PRESet	
Description	Restore module settings to power-on default values Disables triggering by setting the trace trigger mode to STOPped. Disables Trigger ARM by setting the Trigger ARMed state to DISABLE.	
Parameters	N/A	
Response	N/A	
Example	:SLOT1:PRES	

Command	**:TRIGger<n>:DELay?**	Summary >>
Syntax	:TRIGger<n>:DELay?<wsp>[MIN|MAX|DEF|SET|ALL]	
Description	Query the trigger delay of the module in seconds	
Parameters	**MIN**: Returns the minimum programmable value	
	MAX: Returns the maximum programmable value	
	DEF: Returns the default value	
	SET: Returns the current set value	
	ALL: Returns all of the above values in a comma separated string	
Response	A single value, or a comma-separated array of values	
Example	:TRIG3:DEL? -> 0.0000,10.0000,0.0000,0.5000	

Command	**:TRIGger<n>:DELay**	Summary >>
Syntax	:TRIGger<n>:DELay<wsp><value>	
Description	Set the trigger delay of the module in seconds	
Parameters	**<value>**: A valid numerical value for the desired delay (default units of seconds)	
Response	N/A	
Example	:TRIG3:DEL 0.5	

Command	**:TRIGger<n>:MODE?**	Summary >>
Syntax	:TRIGger<n>:MODE?	
Description	Query the Trigger Line event mode of the module	
Parameters	N/A	
Response	The current user set mode	
Example	:TRIG3:MODE? -> OR	

Command	**:TRIGger<n>:MODE**	Summary >>
Syntax	:TRIGger<n>:MODE<wsp>[OR|AND]	
Description	Set the Trigger Line event mode of the module	
Parameters	**OR**: Any of the configured lines will trigger an event	
	AND: Only upon all configured	
Response	N/A	
Example	:TRIG3:MODE OR	

Command	**:TRIGger<n>:SOURce?**	Summary >>
Syntax	:TRIGger<n>:SOURce?	
Description	Query the Trigger Line(s) used for events	
Parameters	N/A	
Response	a comma separated array of the current source list	
Example	:TRIG3:SOUR? -> 0, 6, 7 :TRIG3:SOUR? -> "NONE"(Return if the source list is cleared)	

Command	**:TRIGger<n>:SOURce**	Summary >>
Syntax	:TRIGger<n>:SOURce<wsp><<value1>[,<value2>,..,<value8>]|CLEAR>	
Description	Set the Trigger Line(s) used for events	
Parameters	**<value1 ... 8>**: Up to 8 integer values representing valid PXI trigger lines to add to the event source list	
	CLEAR: Will remove all lines from the source list	
Response	N/A	
Example	:TRIG3:SOUR 0, 6, 7	

Command	**:TRIGger<n>:ARM?**	Summary >>
Syntax	:TRIGger<n>:ARM?	
Description	Query the Trigger ARMed state	
Parameters	N/A	
Response	the current state of the Trigger ARM	
Example	:TRIG1:ARM? -> ENABLE	

Command	**:TRIGger<n>:ARM**	Summary >>
Syntax	:TRIGger<n>:ARM<wsp><ENABLE|DISABLE>	
Description	Set the Trigger ARMed state	
Parameters	**ENABLE**: Enable the Trigger ARM, which will trigger on the next event	
	DISABLE: Disable the Trigger ARM	
Response	N/A	
Example	:TRIG1:ARM ENABLE	

9.6.4 Configuration Commands

Command	**:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:PDPower?** Summary >>
Syntax	:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:PDPower?<wsp>[MIN|MAX|ACT|ALL]
Description	Query the input optical power
Parameters	**MIN**: Returns the minimum programmable value
	MAX: Returns the maximumprogrammable value
	ACT: Returns the current input power value
	ALL: Returns all the above parameters in a comma separated string
Response	A single value, or a comma-separated array of values
Example	:INP1:CHAN1:PDP? MAX -> 5.000000

Command	**:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:PDPower:NULLing** Summary >>
Syntax	:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:PDPower:NULLing
Description	Perform dark current nulling on the channel
Parameters	N/A
Response	N/A
Example	:INP1:CHAN1:PDP:NULL

Command	**:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:PDPower:TIMEnulling?** Summary >>
Syntax	:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:PDPower:TIMEnulling?
Description	Query the amount of time remaining for dark current nulling to complete
Parameters	N/A
Response	The remaining time in seconds
Example	:INP1:CHAN1:PDP:TIME? -> 0.00

Command	**INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:PDPower:AVERagingtime?** Summary >>
Syntax	`:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:PDPower:AVERagingtime?<wsp>[MIN|MAX|DEF|SET|ALL]`
Description	Query the measurement averaging time in s
Parameters	**MIN**: Returns the minimum programmable value
	MAX: Returns the maximum programmable value
	DEF: Returns the default programmable value
	SET: Returns the set value
	ALL: Returns all the above values in a comma separated string
Response	A single value, or a comma-separated array of values
Example	`:INP1:CHAN1:PDP:AVER? -> 0.5`

Command	**:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:PDPower:AVERagingtime** Summary >>
Syntax	`:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:PDPower:AVERagingtime<wsp>[<value>|MIN|MAX|DEF]`
Description	Set the measurement averaging time
Parameters	**MIN**: Set to the minimum programmable value
	MAX: Set to the maximum programmable value
	DEF: Set to the default programmable value
	<value>: Sets the averaging time to the user value in the specified units (default is seconds)
Response	N/A
Example	`:INP1:CHAN1:PDP:AVER 0.5`

Command	**:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:WAVelength?** Summary >>
Syntax	:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:WAVelength?<wsp>[MIN|MAX|DEF|SET|ALL]
Description	Query the input optical wavelength configuration
Parameters	**MIN**: Returns the minimum programmable wavelength
	MAX: Returns the maximum programmable wavelength
	DEF: Returns the default wavelength
	SET: Returns the set wavelength
	ALL: Returns all the above parameters in a comma separated string
Response	A single value, or a comma-separated array of values
Example	:INP1:CHAN1:WAV? ALL -> 1271,1550,1550,1550

Command	**:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:WAVelength** Summary >>
Syntax	:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:WAVelength<wsp><value>[NM|M|MM|UM|PM]
Description	Set the input optical wavelength configuration
Parameters	**<value>**: Set to the user wavelength of the channel by specified units (NM default)
Response	N/A
Example	:INP1:CHAN1:WAV 1310 NM

Command	**INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:CALibration?** Summary >>
Syntax	:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:CALibration?<wsp>[<value>,]<PHASE|MAG|FREQ>
Description	Query the S21 response calibration values in s
Parameters	**<value>**: Returns Calibration wavelength (in nm).
	PHASE: ReturnS the comma separated array of values for the phase response in radians of the specified channel.
	MAG: Return the comma separated array of values for the magnitude response in dB of the specified channel.
	FREQ: Return a comma separated string containing three values to restructure a frequency array. The first value is the first item (in Hz) in array, the second value is the end item (in Hz) in the array and the third value shows the array size.
Response	A comma-separated array of values where the length depends on the parameters given.
Example	:INP1:CHAN1:CAL? PHASE -> 1.234567,1.38934, ...

CAUTION

The RF output must be connected into a 50 ohm load BEFORE enabling the RF output.

Turning on the RF output without connecting a load will damage the internal amplifier and void warranty.

NOTE

The RF command is applicable only in supporting O2E products with an RF amplifier (14XX, 19XX).

Command	**:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:RF?**	Summary >>
Syntax	:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:RF?	
Description	Query the RF output	
Parameters	N/A	
Response	The string representation of the current RF state.	
Example	:INP1:CHAN1:RF? -> ON	

Command	**:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:RF**	Summary >>
Syntax	:INPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:RF<wsp><ON|OFF>	
Description	Set the RF output	
Parameters	**ON**: Enable the RF output for the specified channel	
	OFF: Disable the RF output for the specified channel	
Response	N/A	
Example	:INP1:CHAN1:RF ON	

Command	**:INPut<n>:TRACE:CoMPlete?**	Summary >>
Syntax	:INPut<n>:TRACE:CoMPlete?	
Description	Query the trace completion status	
Parameters	N/A	
Response	**1**: the trace has been acquired and the buffer is ready to be read out	
	0: the trace acquisition is still in progress, or the buffer is not ready to be read out	
Example	:INP1:TRACE:CMP? -> 1	

Command	**:INPut<n>:TRACE:PoinTS?**	Summary >>
Syntax	:INPut<n>:TRACE:PoinTS?<wsp>[MIN|MAX|DEF|SET|ALL]	
Description	Query the number of trace buffer data elements	
Parameters	**MIN**: Returns the minimum programmable number of points	
	MAX: Returns the maximum programmable number of points	
	DEF: Returns the default number of points set at power on	
	SET: Returns the current set number of points	
	ALL: Returns all the above parameters in a comma separated string	
Response	Returns the number of points captured after each trigger	
Example	:INP1:TRACE:PTS? ALL -> 1,1024,1024,512	

Command	**:INPut<n>:TRACE:PoinTS**	Summary >>
Syntax	:INPut<n>:TRACE:PoinTS<wsp>[|MIN|MAX|DEF|<value>]	
Description	Set the number of trace buffer data elements	
Parameters	**<value>**: Set the desired number of points per trigger	
	MIN: Set the minimum programmable number of points	
	MAX: Set the maximum programmable number of points	
	DEF: Set the default number of points which is also set at power on	
Response	N/A	
Example	:INP1:TRACE:PTS 512	

Command	**:INPut<n>:TRACE:RATE?** Summary >>
Syntax	`:INPut<n>:TRACE:RATE?<wsp>[MIN|MAX|DEF|SET|ALL]`
Description	Query the trace buffer sampling rate
Parameters	**MIN**: Returns the minimum sample rate in samples per second (Hz)
	MAX: Returns the maximum sample rate in samples per second (Hz)
	DEF: Returns the default sample rate set at power on
	SET: Returns the current set sample rate in samples per second (Hz)
	ALL: Returns all the above parameters in a comma separated string
Response	Sample rate for the trace in seconds per sample
Example	`:INP1:TRACE:RATE? ALL -> .183,12000.000,12000.000,5000.000`

Command	**:INPut<n>:TRACE:RATE** Summary >>
Syntax	`:INPut<n>:TRACE:RATE<wsp>[MIN|MAX|DEF|<value>]`
Description	Set the trace buffer sampling rate
Parameters	**<value>**: Set the desired sample rate in samples per second (Hz)
	MIN: Set the minimum sample rate in samples per second (Hz)
	MAX: Set the maximum sample rate in samples per second (Hz)
	DEF: Set the default sample rate set at power on
Response	N/A
Example	`:INP1:TRACE:RATE 5000`

Command	**:INPut<n>:TRACE:TRIGger** Summary >>
Syntax	`:INPut<n>:TRACE:TRIGger<wsp>[STOP|IMMEDIATE|FORCE]`
Description	Set the trace trigger mode
Parameters	**STOP**: Triggering is disabled
	IMMEDIATE|FORCE: Software trigger, start sampling immediately (default)
	SWEXTERNAL|SWEXT: Software trigger event, sampling aligned to PXIe clock
	HWINTERNAL|HWINT: PXIe line trigger event, sampling aligned to internal timer
	HWEXTERNAL|HWEXT: PXIe line trigger event, sampling aligned to PXIe clock
	HWCLOCK|HWCLK: PXIe line trigger event, sampling aligned to PXIe line edge
	Note: `INPut<n>:TRACE:PTS` samples is required before `INPut<n>:TRACE:CMP?` completes.
Response	N/A
Example	`:INP1:TRACE:TRIG FORCE`

NOTE

The `:INPut<n>:TRACE?` command will return a comma separated string of values units of dBm.

Command	**`:INPut<n>:TRACE<m>?`** Summary >>
Syntax	`:INPut<n>:TRACE<m>?`
Description	Query the trace buffer the user should wait for `:INPut<n>:TRACE:CMP?` to complete before reading this. This command will error out if no sample points have been triggered.
Parameters	N/A
Response	Comma separated list of values for each channel, new lines [ie '\n'] separated rows per sample.

Example	`:INP1:TRACE:PTS 10`
	
	`:INP1:TRACE:RATE 0.183`
	
	`:INP1:TRACE:TRIG`
	
	`:INP1:TRACE:CMP? -> 1`
	
	`:INP1:TRACE2? -> 0.0606,0.0611,0.0615,0.0611,0.0615,0.0611,0.0606,0.0611,0.0620,0.0635,0.0611,0.0611`
	
	`:INP1:TRACE:TRIG`
	
	`:INP1:TRACE:CMP? -> 1`
	
	`:INP1:TRACE2? -> 0.0606,0.0611,0.0615,0.0611,0.0615,0.0611,0.0606,0.0611,`

Command	**`:OUTPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:GAIN?`** Summary >>
Syntax	`:OUTPut<n>:CHANnel<m>:GAIN?<wsp>[MIN|MAX|DEF|SET|ALL]`
Description	Query the values for the conversion gain
Parameters	**`MIN`**: Returns the min wavelength and associated conversion gain value
	`MAX`: Returns the max wavelength and associated conversion gain value
	`DEF`: Returns the default wavelength and associated conversion gain value
	`SET`: Returns the set wavelength and associated conversion gain value
	`ALL`: Returns all the wavelengths and associated conversion gain values
Response	A single value, or a comma-separated array of values
Example	`:OUTP1:CHAN1:GAIN? ALL -> 11464.500000,11464.500000,10610.890000,11464.500000`

9.7 Triggering example

This is an example of the commands and procedures for configuration and use of the system triggering features of the Quantifi Photonics products.

9.7.1 System commands

```
#Set the Triggering delay for the slot.
#Delay is from 0 to 10 seconds, with a resolution of 0.001 seconds.
#Default is 0 seconds.
:TRIGger<slot>:DELay 0

#Set the desired Triggering Line detection Mode to AND or OR.
#This represents triggering upon events on single, any or specific lines/signals.
:TRIGger<slot>:MODE OR

#Set the desired Triggering source(s).
#The sources represent the PXI trigger lines (integer values from 0 to 7) that the module can be configured for events.
:TRIGger<slot>:SOURce 0

#Arm the triggering in preparation for the next event.
:TRIGger<slot>:ARM ENABLE
```

9.7.2 Module commands

The following is the example of a Power PXIe installed in Slot 3:

```
#Once the above system commands are configured, set the module to the desired Trigger event mode.
#The following is for the sampling to be started upon a PXIe trigger line event and samples aligned to the PXIe Clock.
:INP3:TRACE1:TRIGGER SWEXT

#Monitor the Trace completion status.
:INP3:TRACE1:COMPLETE? -> 1

#Query (Read) the Trace buffer once populated (data elements depend on trace configuration).
:INP3:TRACE1? -> “x1,x2,x3,….,xn”
```

Name	Trigger Event	Sampling Event	Description
`STOP`	None	None	triggering is disabled (or cancelled), no events will occur
`FORCED | IMMEDIATE`	Software	Internal Clock	triggered upon command execution and sampling aligned to internal timer
`SWEXT | SWEXTERNAL`	Software	PXIe Clock	triggered upon command execution and sampling aligned to PXIe Clock
`HWINT | HWINTERNAL`	PXIe Line	Internal Clock	triggered upon PXIe Line edge and sampling aligned to internal timer
`HWEXT | HWEXTERNAL`	PXIe Line	PXIe Clock	triggered upon PXIe Line edge and sampling aligned to PXIe Clock
`HWCLK`	PXIe Line	PXIe Line	triggered upon command execution and sampling aligned to PXIe Line edge

9.8 Programming example: Control of the O2E Series with SCPI

The following is a simple example of how to control the O2E Series using SCPI commands. See the previous section for specific details and extra parameters that the listed commands accept.

We recommend that you use the `*ESR?` query after every command that is sent to the device. This enables you to debug unreceived or incorrect commands sent to the product.

```
#Identifying the O2E product
:*IDN?                                  #Query to confirm the correct instrument is setup
:*OPT?                                  #Query the available instrument module configuration
:SLOT1:IDN?                             #Query the identification information for a specific module

#Running a trace on the O2E product
:INP1:TRACE:RATE 1000                   #Set up the trace parameters
:INP1:CHAN1:PDP:AVER 0.02
:INP1:CHAN2:PDP:AVER 0.02
:INP1:TRACE:POINTS 1024
:INP1:TRACE:TRIG IMMEDIATE              #Trigger the trace acquisition
:INP1:TRACE:COMPLETE?                   #Query the status of the trace (for completion)
:INP1:TRACE?                            #Query the Trace data once complete
```

10 Programming applications

Remote communication with the CohesionSCPI service is achieved through the Standard Commands for Programmable Instruments (SCPI).

Support for VISA I/O API over TCP/IP is provided by the VXI-11 compliant CohesionSCPI service. With VISA communication drivers installed on the client, the implementation of VISA programming within environments such as MATLAB becomes available.

This section details the programming and measurement conventions to follow while executing the commands for the CohesionSCPI service.

NOTE

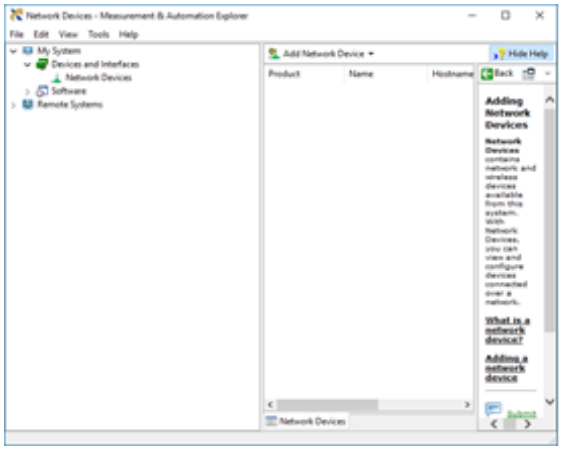
In NI-MAX a RIO interface will show up, however there are no communication methods available or implemented on this interface. Quantifi Photonics products are **ONLY** accessible through the **VISA TCPIP INSTR** interface provided by the CohesionSCPI service installed on the system.

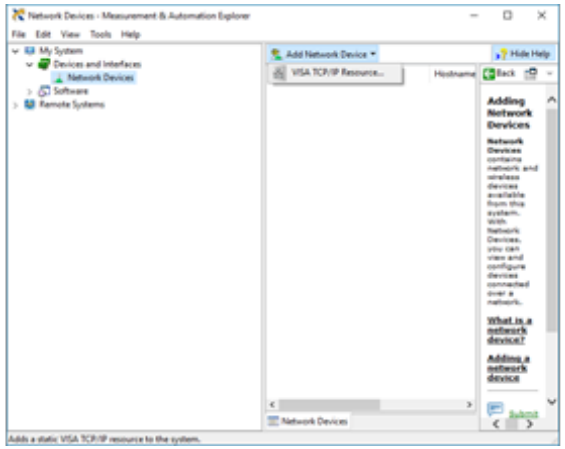
10.1 Setting up NI-MAX application

To communicate with any Quantifi Photonics product, the chassis / benchtop product must first be setup as a TCP/IP instrument.

1. After installing NI-MAX, launch the application. In the left side panel of the window, click the **Devices and Interfaces** option. A drop down of available instruments detected will show up.

2. Click on **Network Devices**, then click **Add Network Devices** and select **VISA TCP/IP Resource**.



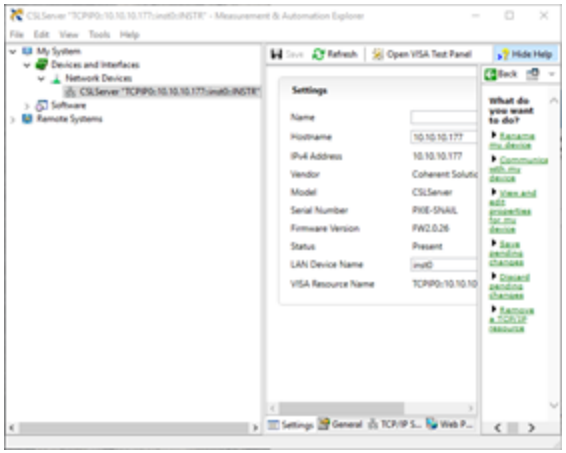


3. Select **Manual Entry of LAN Instrument**. Enter in the Hostname or IP Address.
   Note when operating locally, enter in the localhost IP address of **127.0.0.1**. Click **Finish** to end the setup process.

10.2 Setting up NI-VISA application

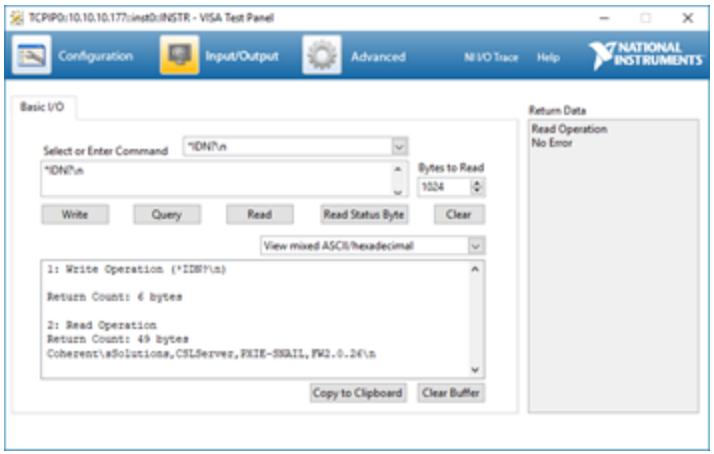
NI-VISA is used to communicate with the PXIe chassis or installed modules / instruments. The above steps must be completed before attempting to communicate using NI-VISA.

1. Launch NI-MAX. In the left-hand side menu, select an instrument from the **Network Devices** list.



2. On the right-hand side panel, select **Open VISA Test Panel**. A new window will popup. Click the **Input / Output** button from the window menu.

   Valid chassis and module commands can be entered in, and their returns queried



10.3 Python® code example

The following example shows how to communicate with the Quantifi Photonics product using Python code.

```python
# You can get VXI11 from pip:
# pip install python-vxi11==0.9
import vxi11
from vxi11.vxi11 import Vxi11Exception
# replace this with the IP of your device
ip = "127.0.0.1"
try:
    print("connecting to " + ip + " ... ")
    instrument = vxi11.Instrument(ip)
    print("connected")
    print("checking IDN...")
    command = "*IDN?"
    data = instrument.ask(command)
    print("IDN: " + data)
    print("checking OPT...")
    command = "*OPT?"
    data = instrument.ask(command)
    print("OPT: " + data)
    # replace this with a valid command for your device (read # the programming guide section for examples)
    command = ""
    print("writing a specific command")
    instrument.write(command)
    print("checking ESR")
    command = "*ESR?"
    data = instrument.ask(command)
    print("*ESR?: " + data)
except Vxi11Exception as e:
    # pass
    print("ERROR" + str(e) + ", command: " + str(command))
```

10.4 MATLAB® code example

To communicate with the Quantifi Photonics product in MATLAB® the installation of a VISA IO driver is required. These drivers enable the creation of the Interface Object for instrument communication.

If developing locally on the PXIE Platform, then these will already be installed. However, if development is on a remotely connected system the VISA Libraries, e.g. National Instruments NI-VISA will have to be installed.

NOTE

MATLAB 2010x or later with the Instrument Control Toolbox is required to execute the code detailed in this section.

The following example shows how to communicate with a Quantifi Photonics product using MATLAB code.

```
% Find a VISA-TCPIP object. This is if the VISA object has already been
% created with tmtool or has been removed from the workspace without
% first being closed (cleanly disconnected).
PXIE_Chassis = instrfind('Type', 'visa-tcpip', ...
'RsrcName', 'TCPIP0::10.10.10.89::inst0::INSTR', 'Tag', '');
% Create the ‘agilent’ VISA-TCPIP object if it does not exist
% otherwise use the object that was found.
if isempty(PXIE_Chassis)
    PXIE_Chassis = visa('agilent', 'TCPIP0::10.10.10.89::inst0::INSTR');
else
    fclose(PXIE_Chassis);
    PXIE_Chassis = PXIE_Chassis (1);
end
% Open the connection to the VISA object.
fopen(PXIE_Chassis);
% Query the PXIE_Chassis.
response = query(PXIE_Chassis, '*IDN?');
disp('The *IDN query response:');
disp(response);
response = query(PXIE_Chassis, '*OPT?');
disp('The *OPT query response:');
disp(response);
% Replace this with a valid command for your device (read the programming
% guide section for examples)
command = ''
% Close the connection to the object.
```

11 Connecting electrical cables

CAUTION

- Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage or destroy electronic components. It may result in damage whenever an ESD occurs during transport, storage or use of electronic components.
- The O2E product contains ESD sensitive components. In order to reduce the damage that an ESD can cause while in storage, always store the module in the ESD safe bag that it was shipped in.
- For the O2E 1201 & 1301 products, during initialization the output RF DC level may exceed ± 1 V. It is recommended that any sensitive instrumentation connected to these products be connected / disconnected ONLY while the front panel LED is solid GREEN.

NOTE

- Always remember to short the centre and outer conductors of the output RF cable together before connecting to the RF output port on the O2E product.
- The RF output must be connected into a 50 ohm load BEFORE enabling the RF output. Turning on the RF output without connecting a load will damage the internal amplifier and void warranty.
- If incorrect or negligent practice is exercised while connecting or disconnecting an RF cable to the RF output port of the O2E product, this may cause internal damage to the module.

Whenever handling the O2E product, always ensure that the user is grounded and wearing a 1 MΩ resistor-isolated wrist-strap, and that the chassis and all other instruments and test devices are properly grounded, to prevent static charge build up.

12 Working with optical fibers

Quantifi Photonics products are equipped with high quality optical connectors in compliance with EIA-455-21A standards.

CAUTION

Keep connectors clean and in good condition to ensure maximum power and to avoid erroneous readings. Quantifi Photonics is not responsible for damage or errors caused by bad fiber cleaning or handling.

- Always inspect fiber end faces for cleanliness using a fiber inspection probe before inserting them into a port..
- If required, clean fibers and faces as detailed below.

NOTE

- To avoid damaging ferrules or fiber faces due to mismatched connectors, always check ports and connector type information before inserting a connector. All Quantifi Photonics units are labeled with connector type information.
- Failing to align and/or connect fiber-optic cables properly will result in significant signal loss and reflection.

▶ When connecting a fiber-optic cable to a port:

1. Visually inspect the fiber end face using a fiber inspection microscope.
2. If a **connector end face** is dirty:
    - Wipe the connector end face using a reel-type cleaner and inspect again.
    - For stubborn hard to clean connectors:
        - Use lint-free fiber-cleaning wipes soaked in a fiber optic cleaning solution.
        - Wipe the connector on the soaked part.
        - Dry the connector by wiping on the dry part of the wipe, or by using a reel-type cleaner.
    - Repeat the process until connector inspection shows a clean fiber face.
3. If a **bulkhead inner connector face** is dirty:
    - Use a pen-type dry cleaner, align the cleaning tip with the port and push the cleaner until you hear the characteristic click. Inspect again.
    - For stubborn hard to clean bulkhead connectors:
        - Use a stick-type cleaner dipped in a fiber optic cleaning solution.
        - Carefully align and insert the stick into the connector and gently rotate the stick for several seconds applying light pressure.
        - Use a pen-type cleaner to dry the connector.
    - Repeat the process until connector inspection shows a clean fiber face.
4. If the fiber end face is clean:
    - Carefully align the connector and port to prevent the fiber end from touching the outside of the port or other surfaces. If the connector features a key, mate it correctly into the corresponding notch of the port bulkhead.

- Push the connector in so that the fiber-optic cable is firmly in place with adequate contact. If your connector features a screw sleeve, tighten the connector to firmly maintain the fiber in place. Do not over-tighten, as this will dam-age the fiber and the port bulkhead.

13 System requirements

Quantifi Photonics PXIe modules

Supported browsers for working with CohesionUI	Google Chrome™ Microsoft Edge®
Chassis	PXIe-compatible chassis that • supports PXIe, or • contains PXI hybrid compatible slots
Recommended PXIe controller operating system	Microsoft Windows® 10 (64-bit)

Quantifi Photonics MATRIQ / EPIQ instruments

Supported browsers for working with CohesionUI	Google Chrome™ Microsoft Edge®
Recommended client computer operating system	Microsoft Windows® 10 (64-bit)

14 Maintenance

To help ensure long, trouble-free operation:

- Always inspect fiber-optic connectors before using them and clean them if necessary.
- Keep the unit free of dust.
- Store the unit at room temperature in a clean and dry area. Keep the unit out of direct sunlight.
- Avoid high humidity or significant temperature fluctuations.
- Avoid unnecessary shocks and vibrations.
- If any liquids are spilled on or into the unit, power off the chassis immediately. Remove the unit and allow to dry completely.

WARNING

The use of controls, adjustments, and procedures other than those specified herein may result in exposure to hazardous situations or impair the protection provided by this unit.

14.1 Annual calibration schedule

To ensure that the unit is performing within specification, we recommend it is re-calibrated every 12 months.

All Quantifi Photonics products are calibrated during manufacture, and each product is shipped to the customer with a Calibration Certificate. On this certificate, the calibration date, as well as the next calibration due date are mentioned.

We recommend your product is returned for re-calibration before the listed due date, to ensure continued performance of the product. For re-calibration service information, or to send in a product for re-calibration service, email support@quantifiphotonics.com.

If the Calibration Certificate has been misplaced, or the calibration due date is not known, email support@quantifiphotonics.com.

15 Technical Support

15.1 Contacting the Technical Support Group

To obtain after-sales service or technical support for this product, contact Quantifi Photonics:

support@quantifiphotonics.com

To accelerate the process, please provide information such as the name and the serial number of the product (see the product identification label), as well as a description of your problem.

15.2 Transportation

Maintain a temperature range within specifications when transporting the unit.

Transportation damage can occur from improper handling.

The following steps are recommended to minimize the possibility of damage:

- Pack the product in its original packing material when shipping. If the original packaging is unavailable, use appropriate foam packaging to provide shock absorption and avoid displacement of the product inside the shipping box. Please keep all input connectors covered with the supplied anti-static plastic covers during transport and avoid any shipping material making contact with the sensitive connectors of the product.
- Avoid high humidity or large temperature fluctuations.
- Keep the product out of direct sunlight.
- Avoid unnecessary shocks and vibrations.

16 Warranty Information

16.1 General information

Quantifi Photonics Ltd (Quantifi Photonics) warrants from the date of the original shipment (the Warranty Period) that this product will conform to specifications and will be free from defects in material and workmanship for the applicable Warranty Period. Quantifi Photonics also warrants that the equipment will meet applicable specifications under normal use.

NOTE

The warranty can become null and void if:

- The unit has been tampered with, repaired, or worked upon by unauthorized individuals or non-Quantifi Photonics personnel.
- The warranty sticker has been removed.
- The unit has been opened, other than as explained in this guide.
- The unit serial number has been altered, erased, or removed.
- The unit has been misused, neglected, or damaged by accident.

THIS WARRANTY IS IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES EXPRESSED, IMPLIED, OR STATUTORY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. IN NO EVENT SHALL QUANTIFI PHOTONICS BE LIABLE FOR SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

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16.2 Liability

Quantifi Photonics shall not be liable for damages resulting from the use of the product, nor shall be responsible for any failure in the performance of other items to which the product is connected or the operation of any system of which the product may be a part.

Quantifi Photonics shall not be liable for damages resulting from improper usage, transportation or unauthorized modification of the product, its accompanying accessories and software.

The external power supply that has been supplied by Quantifi Photonics with the unit can only be used with that unit, do not use it with any other product.

16.3 Exclusions

Quantifi Photonics reserves the right to make changes in the design or construction of any of its products at any time without incurring obligation to make any changes whatsoever on units purchased. Accessories, including but not limited to fuses, pilot lamps, batteries and universal interfaces (EUI)

used with Quantifi Photonics products are not covered by this warranty.

This warranty excludes failure resulting from: Improper use or installation, normal wear and tear, accident, abuse, neglect, fire, water, lightning or other acts of nature, causes external to the product or other factors beyond the control of Quantifi Photonics.

16.4 Certification

Quantifi Photonics certifies that this equipment met its published specifications at the time of shipment from the factory.

16.5 Service and repairs

To send any equipment for service, repair or calibration please contact the Technical Support Group: support@quantifiphotonics.com.

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