

Nexia™ System Software

Export DSP Data to Text

A Nexia™* system, as shown in its document view, consists of DSP blocks, each of which is identified by a unique object code. Each block contains data that will describe its characteristics to the DSPs when the overall system configuration is sent to the Nexia™ units. The DSP data found in these blocks may be exported from the software in a textual format useful for printing or for automatic processing. This document describes the form this output will take.

When the *Export DSP data to text* command is selected from Nexia's file menu, under the subheading *Export*, the blocks are sorted in alphabetical order by their DSP object codes, including the numbers, and each block in turn is output to a comma-delimited text file, suitable to be imported into another application. Except for an initial line giving the format version number, no header or footer information is included; only the DSP data is written.

The format version number identifies changes to the general output format of the DSP data. It is not associated with a specific document. The format version number will be incremented if the text output format for the DSP blocks changes, and may be used, when upgrading the Nexia™ software, to ensure backward compatibility with existing automated scripts which process the text file. The format version number is an integral value, which will be written to the first line of the output text file, preceded by an identifier and the application name:

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Every line of the text output—except the first, which gives the version—begins with the object code of the DSP block, followed by a block line number. Some characteristics of a DSP block apply to all types. This information is written as the first line (line number 0) of the output for that block, and may be used by automated software to determine what follows. Line number 0 is written for every block. Almost all blocks will have at least one additional line; many will have more than one, depending on their channel or band count. Blocks that have no DSP data, such as text blocks, will include line 0 only.

Each DSP object takes a different form after the first line. The fields which are written for each of them will be described in tables below, with the exception of line 0, which is described here, and has the following fields:

Object code, 0 (line number), “class code”, “title”, input control count, output control count, input signal count, output signal count, unit number, gang number, sample rate

In most cases, the object codes describe the object uniquely; however, in a few instances, only the class of object is shown in the object code. It is then necessary to distinguish the

types of objects by their class code. For example, all audio input and output blocks have the general class code **I/O**; a number is appended to this, in ascending order, whenever new input or output blocks are created. This same base code is used for all Inputs and Outputs, whether mono-channel or stereo. The class codes for these various types of blocks will differ.

Text fields will be surrounded by double quotes (“”); the double quotes are shown in the table, as is done above around the title field, and serve to indicate which fields are textual data. All other fields, including Boolean values, those that are either true or false, and enumerated values, are represented as numbers. Boolean values will be zero (0) for false values, and one (1) for true. The object code that starts each line is not written out in double quotes. Some object codes may include spaces.

The specific format for each object type is given in the tables that follow. Subscripts indicate the channel or band number of the data they are associated with. The number N indicates the data for the last line of the output, corresponding to the number of channels or bands. For two-dimensional objects such as mixers and routers, N will be used for the input count, and M for the output count. Normally the channel count is given in line 1 of the output. When N is shown in an expression such as N+1, this indicates that the usage does not match the number of bands or channels; in the case of an Input block below, for instance, it indicates a line number one greater than the number of channels.

Each table below first gives the block type, then lists the fields included in each line of the output for that block type. The first field is always the object code. In each table, the object code will be given as for the actual output, but the number following the object code will always be 1. Thus, for example, each line of the table for an Input block will be shown starting with **I/O1**.

If the value for a field is known, or required in the context, the value will be shown, and the field name will follow it in parentheses; this is done in the description of line 0 above.

Lines may be quite long, and single channel objects will typically all appear on a single line, which may be up to several hundred characters. Hence, the lines in the tables below may wrap around; however, if the next line does not start with the object code, it is actually part of the line above.

The tables that follow give a block type name in bold letters, and then list the fields, on successive lines, that are part of the text output for the given type of DSP block. The objects are listed in the order that they appear in the toolbar menu.

Text:

No DSP data beyond line 0 is included. The base object code is Text. The text of the block is shown in the title field..

Input:

I/O1, 1, N (input channel count)
 I/O1, 2, gain₁, phantom power₁, mute₁, level₁, invert₁
 I/O1, 3, gain₂, phantom power₂, mute₂, level₂, invert₂
 I/O1, 4, gain₃, phantom power₃, mute₃, level₃, invert₃
 ...
 I/O1, N+1, gain_N, phantom power_N, mute_N, level_N, invert_N

Note that phantom power will be omitted if mic-line levels are not allowed, such as for SP units.

Output:

I/O1, 1, N (output channel count), is mic level output allowed
 I/O1, 2, gain₁, mute₁, level₁, invert₁, full scale₁
 I/O1, 3, gain₂, mute₂, level₂, invert₂, full scale₂
 I/O1, 4, gain₃, mute₃, level₃, invert₃, full scale₃
 ...
 I/O1, N+1, gain_N, mute_N, level_N, invert_N, full scale_N

If mic level output is allowed, then each channel may include full scale values of -31 dBu.

Input, Stereo:

I/O1, 1, 12 (input channel count)
 I/O1, 2, gain₁, mute₁, level₁, invert₁, stereo₁
 I/O1, 3, gain₂, mute₂, level₂, invert₂, stereo₂
 I/O1, 4, gain₃, mute₃, level₃, invert₃, stereo₃
 ...
 I/O1, 13, gain₁₂, mute₁₂, level₁₂, invert₁₂, stereo₁₂

Output, Stereo:

I/O1, 1, 6 (output channel count)
 I/O1, 2, gain₁, mute₁, level₁, invert₁, full scale₁, stereo₁
 I/O1, 3, gain₂, mute₂, level₂, invert₂, full scale₂, stereo₂
 I/O1, 4, gain₃, mute₃, level₃, invert₃, full scale₃, stereo₃
 ...
 I/O1, 7, gain₆, mute₆, level₆, invert₆, full scale₆, stereo₆

Auto Mixer:

Mixer1, 1, N (input channel count), input mute₁, input level₁,
input mute₂, input level₂, input mute₃, input level₃, ..., input mute_N, input level_N
Mixer1, 2, 1 (output channel count), output mute, output level
Mixer1, 3, is direct out enabled, mic logic, logic outs follow mic logic,
open mic limits enabled, open mic limits
Mixer1, 4,
state₁, is manual₁, enable NOM gain₁, off attenuation₁, gate hold time₁, output type₁,
state₂, is manual₂, enable NOM gain₂, off attenuation₂, gate hold time₂, output type₂,
state₃, is manual₃, enable NOM gain₃, off attenuation₃, gate hold time₃, output type₃,
...,
state_N, is manual_N, enable NOM gain_N, off attenuation_N, gate hold time_N, output type_N
Mixer1, 5, L (logic out count), logic invert₁, gate logic₁, logic invert₂, gate logic₂,
logic invert₃, gate logic₃, ..., logic invert_L, gate logic_L

In line 3, mic logic is either 0 (None), 1 (Last Mic Hold), or one more than the channel to follow. In line 4, the output type may be either 0 (post gate / pre-NOM), or 1 (post gate / pre-NOM). In line 5, the gate logic value will be either 0 (follow gate), 1 (on), or 2 (off). Note that L may be 0, in which nothing will follow it on line 5.

Standard Mixer:

Mixer1, 1, N (input channel count), input mute₁, input level₁,
input mute₂, input level₂, input mute₃, input level₃, ..., input mute_N, input level_N
Mixer1, 2, M (output channel count), output mute output₁, output level₁,
output mute₂, output level₂, output mute₃, output level₃, ...,
output mute_M, output level_M
Mixer1, 3, state_{1,1}, state_{1,2}, state_{1,3}, ..., state_{1,M}
Mixer1, 4, state_{2,1}, state_{2,2}, state_{2,3}, ..., state_{2,M}
Mixer1, 5, state_{3,1}, state_{3,2}, state_{3,3}, ..., state_{3,M}
...
Mixer1, N+2, state_{N,1}, state_{N,2}, state_{N,3}, ..., state_{N,M}

Matrix Mixer:

Mixer1, 1, N (input channel count), input mute₁, input level₁,
 input mute₂, input level₂, input mute₃, input level₃, ..., input mute_N, input level_N
 Mixer1, 2, M (output channel count), output mute output₁, output level₁,
 output mute₂, output level₂, output mute₃, output level₃, ...,
 output mute_M, output level_M
 Mixer1, 3, is delay enabled
 Mixer1, 4, state_{1,1}, level_{1,1}, delay state_{1,1}, delay level_{1,1},
 state_{1,2}, level_{1,2}, delay state_{1,2}, delay level_{1,2},
 state_{1,3}, level_{1,3}, delay state_{1,3}, delay level_{1,3}, ...,
 state_{1,M}, level_{1,M}, delay state_{1,M}, delay level_{1,M}
 Mixer1, 5, state_{2,1}, level_{2,1}, delay state_{2,1}, delay level_{2,1},
 state_{2,2}, level_{2,2}, delay state_{2,2}, delay level_{2,2},
 state_{2,3}, level_{2,3}, delay state_{2,3}, delay level_{2,3}, ...,
 state_{2,M}, , level_{2,M}, delay state_{2,M}, delay level_{2,M}
 Mixer1, 6, state_{3,1}, level_{3,1}, delay state_{3,1}, delay level_{3,1},
 state_{3,2}, level_{3,2}, delay state_{3,2}, delay level_{3,2},
 state_{3,3}, level_{3,3}, delay state_{3,3}, delay level_{3,3}, ...,
 state_{3,M}, , level_{3,M}, delay state_{3,M}, delay level_{3,M}
 ...
 Mixer1, N+3, state_{N,1}, level_{N,1}, delay state_{N,1}, delay level_{N,1},
 state_{N,2}, level_{N,2}, delay state_{N,2}, delay level_{N,2},
 state_{N,3}, level_{N,3}, delay state_{N,3}, delay level_{N,3}, ...,
 state_{N,M}, level_{N,M}, delay state_{N,M}, delay level_{N,M}

Mix-Minus Combiner:

Combiner1, 1, N (input channel count)
 Combiner1, 2, sound space₁, sound space₂, sound space₃, ..., sound space_N

Room Combiner:

RoomCombiner1, 1, column count, row count, N (active cell count)
 RoomCombiner1, 2, cell index₁, sound zone₁, mute₁, level₁, “room name₁”
 RoomCombiner1, 3, cell index₂, sound zone₂, mute₂, level₂, “room name₂”
 RoomCombiner1, 4, cell index₃, sound zone₃, mute₃, level₃, “room name₃”
 ...
 RoomCombiner1, N+1, cell index_N, sound zone_N, mute_N, level_N, “room name_N”

The active cell count may (and probably will), be less than the column count multiplied by the row count. If, for example, the grid has eight columns and four rows, but only 19 active cells, six of which are combined into two rooms, then the active cell count would be 15 ($19 - 6 + 2 < 8 * 4$); thus there would be 16 lines of output.

The cell index is the number obtained by counting cells from left to right and from top to bottom across the grid, whether or not they are active. The cell index for a room is the index of the first active cell encountered for that room. In our example combiner, cell index 11 would always be the third cell of the second row; it will not occur in the output, however, if that cell is inactive or not the first cell of a room.

Equalizer (Parametric or Graphic):

Equalizer1, 1, N (band count), is all bypassed
 Equalizer1, 2, frequency₁, frequency₂, frequency₃, ..., frequency_N
 Equalizer1, 3, band width₁, band width₂, band width₃, ..., band width_N
 Equalizer1, 4, gain₁, gain₂, gain₃, ..., gain_N
 Equalizer1, 5, bypass₁, bypass₂, bypass₃, ..., bypass_N

Feedback Suppressor:

Feedback Suppressor1, 1, N (band count), is all bypassed
 Feedback Suppressor1, 2, frequency₁, frequency₂, frequency₃, ..., frequency_N
 Feedback Suppressor1, 3, band width₁, band width₂, band width₃, ..., band width_N
 Feedback Suppressor1, 4, gain₁, gain₂, gain₃, ..., gain_N
 Feedback Suppressor1, 5, bypass₁, bypass₂, bypass₃, ..., bypass_N
 Feedback Suppressor1, 6, is fixed₁, is fixed₂, is fixed₃, ..., is fixed_N

Filter (High- and low-pass):

Filter1, 1, frequency, gain, filter type, slope, maximum slope, is bypassed

Filter type is 1 for Butterworth filters, 2 for Linkwitz-Riley.

Filter (High and low shelf):

Filter1, 1, frequency, gain, is bypassed

Filter (All-Pass):

Filter1, 1, maximum band count, N (band count), is all bypassed

Filter1, 2, frequency₁, frequency₂, frequency₃, ..., frequency_N

Filter1, 3, band width₁, band width₂, band width₃, ..., band width_N

Filter1, 4, bypass₁, bypass₂, bypass₃, ..., bypass_N

2-Way Crossover:

Crossover1, 1, 1 (crossover count), input level, input mute, maximum slope,
keep synchronized

Crossover1, 2, level_L, mute_L, polarity_L, low-pass frequency_L, low-pass filter type_L,
low-pass slope_L

Crossover1, 3, high-pass frequency_H, high-pass filter type_H, high-pass slope_H, level_H,
mute_H, polarity_H

Filter type is 1 for Butterworth filters, 2 for Linkwitz-Riley. Polarity is 1 when the signal is inverted, 0 otherwise.

3-Way Crossover:

Crossover1, 1, 2 (crossover count), input level, input mute, maximum slope,
keep synchronized

Crossover1, 2, level_L, mute_L, polarity_L, low-pass frequency_L, low-pass filter type_L,
low-pass slope_L

Crossover1, 3, high-pass frequency_M, high-pass filter type_M, high-pass slope_M, level_M,
mute_M, polarity_M, low-pass frequency_M, low-pass filter type_M, low-pass slope_M

Crossover1, 4, high-pass frequency_H, high-pass filter type_H, high-pass slope_H, level_H,
mute_H, polarity_H

Filter type is 1 for Butterworth filters, 2 for Linkwitz-Riley. Polarity is 1 when the signal is inverted, 0 otherwise.

4-Way Crossover:

Crossover1, 1, 3 (crossover count), input level, input mute, maximum slope, keep synchronized
 Crossover1, 2, level_L, mute_L, polarity_L, low-pass frequency_L, low-pass filter type_L, low-pass slope_L
 Crossover1, 3, high-pass frequency_{LM}, high-pass filter type_{LM}, high-pass slope_{LM}, level_{LM}, mute_{LM}, polarity_{LM}, low-pass frequency_{LM}, low-pass filter type_{LM}, low-pass slope_{LM}
 Crossover1, 4, high-pass frequency_{MH}, high-pass filter type_{MH}, high-pass slope_{MH}, level_{MH}, mute_{MH}, polarity_{MH}, low-pass frequency_{MH}, low-pass filter type_{MH}, low-pass slope_{MH}
 Crossover1, 5, high-pass frequency_H, high-pass filter type_H, high-pass slope_H, level_H, mute_H, polarity_H

Filter type is 1 for Butterworth filters, 2 for Linkwitz-Riley. Polarity is 1 when the signal is inverted, 0 otherwise.

Leveler:

Leveler1, 1, 1 (input channel count), response time, threshold, “ID”, is bypassed

Compressor/Limiter:

CompLimiter1, 1, 1 (input channel count), attack time, release time, ratio, threshold, “ID”, is bypassed

Ducker:

Ducker1, 1, mute, input level, sense is muted, sense level, threshold, ducking level, is bypassed, logic in is enabled, logic out is enabled, logic in is inverted, logic out is inverted, attack time, release time

Noise Gate:

NoiseGate1, 1, 1 (input channel count), attack time, release time, threshold, “ID”, is bypassed

ANC:

ANC1, 1, program mute, program level, “program ID”, ambient mute, ambient level, ambient threshold, ambient ramp rate, “ambient ID”, gain minimum, gain maximum, gain ratio, gain time, “gain ID”, is bypassed

Router:

Router1, 1, N (input channel count), M (output channel count)
 Router1, 2, node_{1,1}, node_{1,2}, node_{1,3}, ..., node_{1,M}
 Router1, 3, node_{2,1}, node_{2,2}, node_{2,3}, ..., node_{2,M}
 Router1, 4, node_{3,1}, node_{3,2}, node_{3,3}, ..., node_{3,M},
 ...,
 Router1, N+1, node_{N,1}, node_{N,2}, node_{N,3}, ..., node_{N,M}

Delay:

Delay1, 1, delay, units, maximum delay, is bypassed

The units value will be one of 100, 10000, 254, 3048, or -1000, representing centimeters, meters, inches, feet, or milliseconds, respectively. The positive numbers may be taken to mean the number of 100 microns in the unit, while the negative number expresses the number of microseconds.

Level (not ganged):

Controll, 1, N (channel count), 0 (is ganged)
 Controll, 2, level₁, mute₁, "ID₁", level₂, mute₂, "ID₂", level₃, mute₃, "ID₃", ...,
 level_N, mute_N, "ID_N"

Level (ganged):

Controll, 1, channel count, 1 (is ganged)
 Controll, 2, level, mute, "ID"

Level Inc/Dec (not ganged):

Controll, 1, N (channel count), 0 (is ganged), has ramping,
 Controll, 2, level₁, mute₁, min₁, max₁, step₁, ramp rate₁, "ID₁"
 level₂, mute₂, min₂, max₂, step₂, ramp rate₂, "ID₂",
 level₃, mute₃, min₃, max₃, step₃, ramp rate₃, "ID₃", ...,
 level_N, mute_N, min_N, max_N, step_N, ramp rate_N, "ID_N"

Ramp rate will be zero if has ramping is disabled.

Level Inc/Dec (ganged):

Controll, 1, channel count, 1 (is ganged), has ramping,
 Controll, 2, level, mute, min, max, step, ramp rate, "ID"

Ramp rate will be zero if has ramping is disabled.

Invert (not ganged):

Control1, 1, N (channel count), 0 (is ganged)
 Control1, 2, invert₁, “ID₁”, invert₂, “ID₂”, invert₃, “ID₃”, ..., invert_N, “ID_N”

Invert (ganged):

Control1, 1, channel count, 1 (is ganged)
 Control1, 2, invert, “ID”

Mute (not ganged):

Control1, 1, N (channel count), 0 (is ganged)
 Control1, 2, mute₁, “ID₁”, mute₂, “ID₂”, mute₃, “ID₃”, ..., mute_N, “ID_N”

Mute (ganged):

Control1, 1, channel count, 1 (is ganged)
 Control1, 2, mute, “ID”

Preset Button:

Preset Button1, 1, N (channel count)
 Preset Button1, 2, preset ID₁, preset ID₂, preset ID₃, ..., preset ID_N

Remote Preset Button:

Control1, 1, N (channel count)
 Control1, 2, preset ID₁, preset ID₂, preset ID₃, ..., preset ID_N

Logic Gate (not a flip flop or logic state):

Control1, 1, “logic gate type”, 0

Logic Gate (Flip Flop):

Control1, 1, “Flip Flop”, N (control channel count)
 Control1, 2, state₁, “ID₁”, state₂, “ID₂”, state₃, “ID₃”, ..., state_N, “ID_N”

Logic Gate (Logic State):

Control1, 1, “Logic State”, N (control channel count)
 Control1, 2, state₁, “ID₁”, state₂, “ID₂”, state₃, “ID₃”, ..., state_N, “ID_N”

Logic Delay:

Control1, 1, N (channel count)
 Control1, 2, on delay₁, off delay₁, is bypassed₁, on delay₂, off delay₂, is bypassed₂,
 on delay₃, off delay₃, is bypassed₃, ..., on delay_N, off delay_N, is bypassed_N

Command String

Control1, 1, N (command count)

Control1, 2, “command string₁”, “label₁”, “command string₂”, “label₂”,
“command string₃”, “label₃”, ..., “command string_N”, “label_N”

Volume 8:

Control1, 1, N (channel count)

Control1, 2, “object code₁”, instance ID₁, “control ID₁”, “ID₁”,
“object code₂”, instance ID₂, “control ID₂”, “ID₂”,
“object code₃”, instance ID₃, “control ID₃”, “ID₃”, ...,
“object code₄”, instance ID₄, “control ID₄”, “ID₄”

Select 8:

No DSP data beyond line 0 is included. The base object code is Control.

Volume/Select 8:

Control1, 1, N (channel count)

Control1, 2, “object code₁”, instance ID₁, “control ID₁”, “ID₁”,
“object code₂”, instance ID₂, “control ID₂”, “ID₂”,
“object code₃”, instance ID₃, “control ID₃”, “ID₃”, ...,
“object code₄”, instance ID₄, “control ID₄”, “ID₄”

Logic Box:

No DSP data beyond line 0 is included. The base object code is Control.

Signal Present Meter:

Meter1, 1, N (channel count)

Meter1, 2, threshold₁, “ID₁”, threshold₂, “ID₂”, threshold₃, “ID₃”, ...,
threshold_N, “ID_N”

Peak Meter:

Meter1, 1, N (channel count)

Meter1, 2, hold time₁, is held₁, is indefinite₁, “ID₁”,
hold time₂, is held₂, is indefinite₂, “ID₂”, hold time₃, is held₃, is indefinite₃, “ID₃”, ...,
hold time_N, is held_N, is indefinite_N, “ID_N”

RMS Meter:

Meter1, 1, N (channel count)

Meter1, 2, hold time₁, is held₁, is indefinite₁, “ID₁”,

hold time₂, is held₂, is indefinite₂, “ID₂”, hold time₃, is held₃, is indefinite₃, “ID₃”, ...,

hold time_N, is held_N, is indefinite_N, “ID_N”

Tone Generator:

Generator1, 1, frequency, mute, level, start frequency, stop frequency,
frequency interval, interval type, time interval

Interval type will be 0 if the frequency interval is in octaves, and 1 if it is in hertz.

Pink Noise Generator:

Generator1, 1, mute, level

White Noise Generator:

Generator1, 1, mute, level

Transfer Function:

No DSP data beyond line 0 is included. The base object code is Diagnostic.

Pass-Through:

PassThrough1, 1, “type of pass-through”

The type of pass-through will be a 3-letter combination. The first letter indicates whether it is an audio or logic pass-through; A indicates audio, and L logic. The second and third letters indicate where the input comes in and where the output goes out; these may be L, R, T, or B, for left, right, top, or bottom, respectively.

Split Pass-Through Input:

SplitPassThrough1, 1, “type of pass-through”

The type of pass-through will be a 3-letter combination, either ASL or LST. The first, ASL, indicates a split audio input pass-through with the inputs on the left, the second, LST, indicates a split logic input pass-through with the inputs on top.

Split Pass-Through Output:

SplitPassThrough1, 1, “type of pass-through”

The type of pass-through will be a 3-letter combination, either ASR or LSB. The first, ASR, indicates a split audio output pass-through with the outputs on the right, the second, LSB, indicates a split logic output pass-through with the outputs on the bottom.

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