Synthesized Clock Generator

CG635 — 0.001 Hz to 2.05 GHz low-jitter clock generator



Clocks from 0.001 Hz to 2.05 GHz

- <1 ps rms jitter</p>
- CMOS, PECL, ECL, LVDS, RS-485 outputs
- Single-ended and differential outputs
- Adjustable phase and time modulation
- PRBS for eye-pattern testing (opt.)
- OCXO and rubidium timebase (opt.)

CG635 Synthesized Clock Generator —

The CG635 Synthesized Clock Generator provides precise, low-jitter digital clock signals for applications ranging from the development of digital circuits to the testing of communications networks.

The CG635 generates single-ended and differential clocks from 1 mHz to 2.05 GHz with sub-picosecond jitter. Clock frequencies may be set with 0.001 Hz resolution. Front-panel outputs have continuously adjustable offsets and amplitudes, and may also be set to standard logic levels including CMOS, PECL, ECL and LVDS. A rear-panel output delivers clocks at RS-485 and LVDS levels over twisted pairs.

An optional pseudo-random binary sequence (PRBS) generator (Opt. 01) provides clock and data outputs at LVDS levels for testing serial data channels. Edge transition times are typically 80 ps.

The standard crystal oscillator timebase of the CG635 provides sufficient accuracy for many applications. An optional ovenized crystal oscillator (Opt. 02), or rubidium frequency standard (Opt. 03), may be added to improve frequency stability and reduce aging. The CG635 can also be locked to an external 10 MHz timebase.

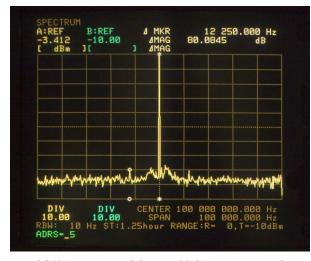
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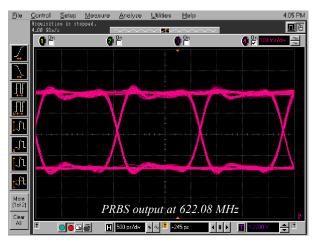
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CG635 spectrum exhibiting -80 dB spurious signals

The CG635 delivers a low spurious output signal—better than most commercial synthesizers. Phase noise for a 622.08 MHz carrier at 100 Hz offset is less than -80 dBc/Hz, and the spurious response is better than -70 dBc. The frequency accuracy and drift are limited only by the reference timebase.

When compared to a typical RF synthesizer, the CG635 has many similarities—high frequency resolution, low phase noise, and low spurious output levels. It also offers several advantages—frequencies down to 1 mHz, multiple square wave outputs to 2.05 GHz, and it is much less expensive.

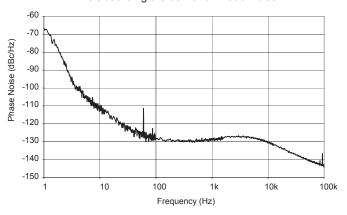


PRBS outputs are available for eye-pattern testing

Several instrument features support more complex tasks. For example, the phase of the outputs may be adjusted with 0.001° resolution, and the timing of clock edges may be modulated over ± 5 ns by an external analog signal. Optional PRBS outputs are available on rear-panel SMA jacks for eyepattern testing of serial data links.

All instrument functions may be controlled from the front panel or via the GPIB (IEEE-488.2) or RS-232 interfaces. Up to ten complete instrument configurations can be stored in non-volatile memory and recalled at any time. A universal input AC power supply allows world-wide operation.

Several clock receiver modules are available which may be connected to the rear-panel RS-485/LVDS output via Category-6 cable. These accessories provide complementary high-speed transitions at standard logic levels on SMA connectors, and may be located at a substantial distance from the instrument. CMOS (+5 V, +3.3 V and +2.5 V), PECL (+5 V, +3.3 V and 2.5 V), RF (+7 dBm), CML/NIM, ECL, and LVDS outputs are all available.



CG635 Single Side Band Phase Noise

Phase noise measured at an output frequency of 10 MHz. Add +6 *dB/octave above 10 MHz.*

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| Model | Description |
|-------|-----------------------------------|
| CG640 | CMOS (+5 Vcc) to 50 MHz |
| CG641 | CMOS (+3.3 Vcc) to 250 MHz |
| CG642 | CMOS (+2.5 Vcc) to 250 MHz |
| CG643 | PECL (+5 Vcc) to 1500 MHz |
| CG644 | PECL (+3.3 Vcc) to 1500 MHz |
| CG645 | PECL (+2.5 Vcc) to 1500 MHz |
| CG646 | RF (+7 dBm) to 1500 MHz |
| CG647 | CML/NIM to 1500 MHz |
| CG648 | ECL to 1500 MHz |
| CG649 | LVDS to 2050 MHz |
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Optional clock receivers for the CG635

Rear Panel Features

- Differential outputs (RS-485, LVDS)
- PRBS and clock outputs (Opt. 01)
- 10 MHz reference input
- 10 MHz output
- \bullet +5 V and –5 V accessory power
- GPIB and RS-232 interfaces
- Phase and time modulation input
- Universal input AC power supply



CG635 rear panel (with opt. 01)

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CG635 Specifications

Frequency

Range Resolution Accuracy

Settling time

Timebase

Stability Std. timebase Opt. 02 (OCXO) Opt. 03 (Rb) Aging Std. timebase Opt. 02 (OCXO) Opt. 03 (Rb) External input

0.001 Hz to 2.05 GHz $0.001\,\mathrm{Hz}$ $\Delta f \le \pm (5 \times 10^{-19} + \text{timebase error}) \times f$ $(1 \text{ MHz} \le f \le 2.05 \text{ GHz})$ $\Delta f \le \pm (5 \times 10^{-13} \text{ Hz} + \text{ timebase error} \times f)$ $(0.001 \,\text{Hz} \le f \le 1 \,\text{MHz})$ <200 ms

 $(+20 \ ^{\circ}C \ to \ +30 \ ^{\circ}C \ ambient)$

<5 ppm <0.01 ppm <0.0001 ppm <5 ppm/year <0.2 ppm/year <0.0005 ppm/year $10 \text{ MHz} \pm 10 \text{ ppm}$, sine > 0.5 Vpp, $1 \text{ k}\Omega$ 10 MHz, 1.41 Vpp sine into 50Ω

Noise & Spurs

Output

| Phase noise (at 622.08 M | (Hz) |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 100 Hz offset | <-80 dBc/Hz |
| 1 kHz offset | <-95 dBc/Hz |
| 10 kHz offset | <-100 dBc/Hz |
| 100 kHz offset | <-105 dBc/Hz |
| Phase noise vs. freq. | 6 dB/oct. relative to 622.08 MHz |
| | $(f \ge 1 MHz)$ |
| Spurious | |
| $f \ge 1 MHz$ | <-70 dBc (within 50 kHz of carrier) |

f≥1 MHz f < 1 MHz

Jitter

Jitter (rms) $1 \text{ mHz} \le f \le 1 \text{ kHz} \le 0.015 \%$ of the period

 $1 \text{ kHz} < f \le 1 \text{ MHz}$ <0.045% of the period $1 \text{ MHz} < f \le 2 \text{ GHz} \le 1 \text{ ps} (1 \text{ kHz to } 5 \text{ MHz bandwidth})$

<-60 dBc (within 50 kHz of carrier)

Time Modulation

 $(f \ge 1 MHz)$

Rear-panel input Sensitivity Range Bandwidth

BNC, DC coupled, $1 k\Omega$ $1 \text{ ns/V}, \pm 5\%$ $\pm 5\,\mathrm{ns}$ DC to greater than 10kHz

Phase setting

Range Resolution Maximum step size Slew time

±999,999.999° 0.001° $\pm 360^{\circ}$ (less for negative steps < 4 Hz) <300 ms

Q and \overline{Q} Outputs

| Outputs | Front-panel BNC connectors |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Frequency range | 0.001 Hz to 2.05 GHz |
| High level | $-2.00 \mathrm{V} \le \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{HIGH}} \le +5.00 \mathrm{V}$ |
| Amplitude | $200\mathrm{mV}{\leq}\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{AMPL}}{\leq}1.00\mathrm{V}$ |
| | $(V_{AMPL} \equiv V_{HIGH} - V_{LOW})$ |
| Level resolution | 10 mV |
| Level error | $<1\% + 10 \mathrm{mV}$ |
| Transition time | <300 ps (20 % to 80 %) |
| Symmetry (f>1 MHz) | ${<}{\pm}100\text{ps}$ departure from nominal 50 % |
| Source impedance | 50Ω (±1 %) |
| Load impedance | 50Ω to ground on both outputs |
| Pre-programmed levels | +5.0 V PECL to +3.3 V PECL, LVDS, +7 dBm, ECL |
| Protection | Continuous to ground, |
| | momentary to $\pm 5 \text{ V}$ |
| CMOS Output | |
| Output | Front-panel BNC |
| Frequency range | 0.001 Hz to 250 MHz |
| Low level | $-1.00 \mathrm{V} \le \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{LOW}} \le +1.00 \mathrm{V}$ |
| Amplitude | $500 \mathrm{mV} \le \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{AMPL}} \le 6.00 \mathrm{V}$ |
| * | $(V_{AMPL} \equiv V_{HIGH} - V_{LOW})$ |
| Level resolution | 10 mV |
| Level error | <1% + 10 mV |
| Transition time | <1 ns (20% to 80%) |
| Symmetry (f>1 MHz) | $<\pm500$ ps departure from nominal 50% |
| Source impedance | 50Ω (reverse terminates cable reflection) |
| Load impedance | Unterminated 50Ω cable of any length |
| Attenuation (50 Ω load) | Output levels are divided by 2 |
| Pre-programmed levels | $V_{LOW} = 0$ |
| | V _{HIGH} =1.2, 1.8, 2.5, 3.3, or 5.0 V |
| Protection | Continuous to ground, |
| | momentary to $\pm 5 \text{ V}$ |
| RS-485 Output | |
| Output | Rear-panel RJ-45 |
| Frequency range | 0.001 Hz to 50 MHz |
| Clock output | Pin 1 and pin 2 drive twisted pair |
| Load impedance | 100Ω between pin 7 and pin 8 |
| Logic levels (RS-485) | $V_{LOW} = +1.5 V, V_{HIGH} = +3.5 V$ |
| Recommended cable | Straight-through Category-6 |
| Protection | Continuous to ground, |
| | momentary to $\pm 5 \text{ V}$ |

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CG635 Specifications

LVDS Output

Output Frequency range Clock Source impedance Load impedance Recommended cable Protection

PRBS (Opt. 01)

(EIA/TIA-644)

(EIA/TIA-644)

Rear-panel RJ-45

0.001 Hz to 2.05 GHz

Continuous to ground, momentary to ±5 V

Pin 1 and pin 2 to drive twisted pair $100\,\Omega$ between pin 1 and pin 2

 $100\,\Omega$ between pin 1 and pin 2 Straight-through Category-6

Level Outputs PRBS generator Transition time (typ.) Load impedance

LVDS on rear-panel SMA jacks PRBS, -PRBS, CLK and -CLK $x^7 + x^6 + 1$ for a length of $2^7 - 1$ bits 80 ps (20% to 80%) 50Ω to ground on all outputs

Accessory Power

(on rear-panel RJ-45 connector)

+5 VDC -5 VDC Ground return Polarity clamps sion

Pin 3 Pin 5 Pin 4 and pin 6 Short circuit protection Current limited to 250 mA Diode clamps prevent polarity inver-

(2 ADC max., 120 A non-rep.)

General

| Computer interfaces | IEEE-488.2 and RS-232 standard. |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| All | instrument functions can be con- |
| trolled | through the computer interfaces |
| Non-volatile memory | Ten sets of instrument configurations |
| | can be stored and recalled. |
| Line power | Universal input, 90 to 264 VAC, |
| | 47 Hz to 63 Hz |
| Standby power | <5 W (std. timebase) |
| | <15 W (opt. 02, OCXO timebase) |
| | <25 W (opt. 03, Rb timebase) |
| Operating power | <30 W (std. timebase) |
| | <40 W (opt. 02, OCXO timebase) |
| | <50 W (opt. 03, Rb timebase) |
| Dimensions | 8.5"×3.5"×13" (WHD) |
| Weight | 9 lbs. |
| Warranty | One year parts and labor on defects |
| | in materials and workmanship |
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Ordering Information

| CG635 | Synthesized clock generator |
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| Option 01 | PRBS w/ complementary LVDS |
| | outputs on SMA |
| Option 02 | OCXO timebase |
| Option 03 | Rubidium timebase |
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| CG648 | ECL to 1500 MHz |
| CG649 | LVDS to 2050 MHz |
| CG650 | All ten receivers (CG640-CG649) |
| O635RMD | Double rack mount kit |
| O635RMS | Single rack mount kit |
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