

ARF/XRF Agile RF Synthesizer + AOM Driver



The MOGLabs ARF/XRF agile RF synthesizer provides two channels of agile RF frequency synthesis with high-power output drivers. Each channel spans a frequency range of 20 to 400 MHz with output power up to +36dBm (4 W). The two channels can be controlled via front panel knobs to adjust frequency and power, or via computer interface. Two external analogue inputs are provided for each channel, to allow FM/AM/PM at up to 10 MHz bandwidth, and PID servo feedback is built-in for laser noise-eating or frequency locking.

The computer interface (10/100 Ethernet and USB) allows full control of all parameters, advanced table sequence control, and monitoring. Ultrafast digital outputs can be individually controlled in synchronisation with the table sequences.

Features

- Two RF channels, independent or synchronised
- High output power: up to +36dBm per channel
- Wide frequency range: 20-400MHz
- High modulation bandwidth up to 10 MHz (AM, FM, φ)
- RF power output monitoring and protection
- External digital inputs for fast on/off, trigger
- 16 high-speed digital IO (table sequence control)
- Autonomous execution of complicated frequency/power/phase sequences
- External sync clock input
- Three analogue outputs
- Robust open- and short-circuit protection
- Ethernet and USB interfaces

Applications

- AOM driver
- Noise eater or laser frequency lock
- Diamond NV quantum control
- Laser cooling, trapping, spectroscopy
- Bose-Einstein condensation
- Quantum optics: squeezed light
- Electromagnetic transparency, slow light
- Time and frequency standards

Agile Frequency Synthesizer/AOM Driver

Specifications ARF/XRF

RF characteristics

RF output power ARF421, XRF421: 0 to +36 dBm
ARF021, XRF021: 0 to +16 dBm

14-bit resolution

Frequency 20 to 400 MHz, 32-bit resolution (0.23Hz steps)

Frequency stability ±1 ppm (0 to 50°C)

Phase 0 to 360°, 16-bit resolution

Absolute phase noise — 115dBc/Hz @ 10kHz, — 113dBc/Hz @ 1kHz, — 105dBc/Hz @ 100Hz

Signal to noise > 80dBc @ 30dBm

Intermodulation and spurious < – 80dBc

Crosstalk between channels < - 70dBc (off), < - 50dBc (on)

RF 'off' level < - 70dBm

External clock 5 MHz to 1 GHz

Analogue input/output

Number 2 inputs and 2 outputs per RF channel

FM, AM, φ or analogue sampling for DSP applications

Sensitivity ± 1V, 7th order anti-alias filter

12-bit resolution, 65MHz sampling rate

Modulation bandwidth 10 MHz first parameter, 1 MHz second parameter

DAC 3 channels, ± 2.5 V, 14-bit, 1MHz bandwidth

Digital input/output

RF on/off Software control, front-panel buttons, hardwired TTL

Trigger input Per channel, start/retrigger by edge or level

Shutter output Per channel TTL output

High speed digital IO 16 TTL input/output, user-controllable and via table mode (advanced)

Computer interface

Ethernet 10/100 TP, RJ45

USB2, plug type USB-A

Table mode Up to 8k programming points per channel

Table timing resolution ARF: 1 μs, XRF: 16 ns

Dimensions and power

Dimensions 250x79 x292mm (WxHxD), 2kg

Power input 95 – 264 Vac, 47 to 63Hz, 1A

Power consumption ARF421, XRF421: 55W ARF021, XRF021: 25-35W