



## 80 MS/s Waveform and Dual Output Pulse Generator

Racal Instruments™ 3171 80 MS/s Isolated Waveform Generator and Dual 50 MHz Pulse Generator combines multi-instrument density and high-frequency performance in a single-slot, C-sized VXIbus format. Isolated waveform output in the range of 100 mHz to 40 MHz with 12-bit vertical resolution and pulse output to 50 MHz makes the 3171 a powerful solution to a variety of test stimulus requirements.

- ◆ **80 MS/s, 22 V<sub>pk-pk</sub> Arbitrary Waveforms With Isolated Output**
- ◆ **Built-in Waveforms: Triangle, Sine, Square, Ramp, Pulse, Arbitrary and DC**
- ◆ **128 k-points Waveform Memory**
- ◆ **Dual 50 MHz, 22 V<sub>pk-pk</sub> Pulse Generator**
- ◆ **Trigger Delays Up to 1 Second With 2 ns Resolution**
- ◆ **External 400 kHz Amplitude Modulation**

### Multi-Instrument Functionality

The 3171 is a synergistic combination of an Arbitrary Waveform Generator and Dual Pulse Generator. The 3171 is really three independent instruments in one module that may be used simultaneously for three separate purposes, or together, to create complex pulse or trigger sequences. System density is maximized when compared to GPIB or single-function VXIbus module formats. The Option 01T interface controls the 1260-39, using both register-based and message-based operation. Refer to the applicable Option 01T data sheet for specifications and product features such as include, exclude, and scan lists, relay coil-current monitoring, and user-defined path names and reset states.

### Isolation From Ground

The Arbitrary Waveform Generator (Arb) output provides 250 volts of isolation from VXIbus ground. This feature helps eliminate system ground loops and protects the VXIbus from damage from external hazardous voltages that may be connected to the instrument's interface connector.

### Built-In Digital Word Generator

The 3171's Arb output is available as both an analog signal (up to 22 V<sub>pk-pk</sub> into 50 Ω) or as a 12-bit digital word with TTL levels which can source or sink 15 mA. This powerful feature may be used as 12 independent TTL pulse outputs or as a 12-bit digital pattern generator.

### External Amplitude Modulation

The Arb output of the 3171 may be controlled in amplitude by an external DC signal up to ±10 Volts or modulated in amplitude by an external AC signal up to 400 kHz. This feature allows for real-time control of the Arb output for control system applications and AM signal generation for telecom applications.

### Dual Pulse Generator

The two pulse generator outputs of the 3171 are available with programmable rise and fall times ranging from 3 ns to 150 ns. Pulse Generator #1 (PG1) has the additional ability of independently programmable rise and fall times from 150 ns to 1 second. Pulse width and delay parameters are programmable on both pulse generators from 120 ns to 1 second with 2 ns resolution.

### Flexible Triggering

3171 output channels may be synchronized to each other or to other 3171 modules within the same VXIbus mainframe using triggers. Waveform may be output continuously, one or more cycles per trigger or under the control of a gate signal. A sync and cursor output signal exist to synchronize the Arb with other instruments.

**AMPLITUDE CHARACTERISTICS****Amplitude**5 mV-22 V<sub>pk-pk</sub>, into 50 Ω**Resolution**

12 bits (5 mV)

**Accuracy**

±0.5% of set or ±15 mV

**DC Offset Range**

0-±11 V

**DC Offset Resolution**

12 bits

**DC Offset Accuracy**

±0.5% of set or ±15 mV

**Isolation (Arb)**

250 Volts

**Output Impedance** (selectable)

&lt;2 Ω, 50 Ω or 93 Ω

**Low-Pass Filters** (Arb)

2 MHz, 2.2 MHz and 22 MHz

**Standby**

Output On or Off

**Output Protection**

Current Limit (400 mA)

**AMPLITUDE MODULATION****Modulation Bandwidth**

0-400 kHz

**Modulation Amplitude Range**

-10 Volts to +10 Volts

**AM Input Impedance**

10 kΩ

**STANDARD WAVEFORMS** (ARB)

(Sine, Triangle, Square, Pulse, Ramp, Pulsed DC, DC, Arbitrary)

**Frequency Resolution**

4 digits

**Accuracy**

±0.1% of set

**Stability**

100 ppm

**Frequency Ranges**

Sine, Triangle, Square: 1 mHz-10 MHz

Ramp: 1 mHz-1 MHz

Pulsed DC: 1 mHz-40 MHz

Arbitrary Waveform (Sample Rate):

150 mHz-80 MHz

**ARBITRARY WAVEFORMS** (ARB)**Waveform Memory**

128 k Points

**Vertical Resolution**

12 bits

**Waveform Size Range**

1 to 128 k Points

**DIGITAL PATTERN****GENERATOR** (ARB)**Digital Word Width**

12 bits

**Level**

TTL

**Current** (Source and Sink)

±15 mA

**PULSE WAVEFORMS**

(PG1 &amp; PG2)

**Frequency Resolution**

4 digits

**Accuracy**

±0.01% of set

**Stability**

100 ppm

**Frequency Range**

0.5 Hz-50 MHz

**Pulse Width Range**

10 ns-1 s

**Pulse Width Resolution**

2 ns or 0.01% of set (whichever is greater)

**Pulse Width Accuracy**

±5 ns or ±0.01% of set (whichever is greater)

**Rise & Fall Times**

PG1 &amp; PG2: 3 ns-150 ns (rise=fall)

PG1: 150 ns-800 μs (4 ranges, rise and fall are independent)

**Pulse Delay Range**

120 ns to 1 s from input trigger

**Pulse Delay Resolution**

2 ns or 0.01% of set (which ever is greater)

**Pulse Delay Accuracy**

±5 ns or ±0.1% of set (which ever is greater)

**SAMPLING CLOCK****Reference**

VXIbus CLK10

**External Reference Level**

TTL

**External Clock** (Arb)

Up to 40 MHz

**External Clock Level**

TTL

**OPERATING MODES**

(Normal, Triggered, Delay Triggered, Burst, Gated)

**Normal Mode**

Continuous output of a waveform.

**Triggered Mode**

One waveform cycle is output.

**Delayed Trigger Mode**

Delays from trigger by 120 ns to 1 second.

**Burst Mode**

A waveform is repeated from 1 to 64 k times.

**Gated Mode**

Generator is enabled when an external gate signal is active. The first gated output cycle is synchronous with the active slope of the gate signal. The last output cycle is always completed.

**Amplitude Modulation**

Output of the Arb may be amplitude modulated by an external analog signal up to ±10 Volts and with a bandwidth of up to 400 kHz.

**TRIGGERING CHARACTERISTICS****Sources**

External: TTL input

VXI Backplane: TTLTrg0-7

**Trigger Slope**

Positive or Negative

**Trigger Delay**

PG: 120 ns to 1 s

Arb: 170 ns to 1 s

**Sync Output** (Arb)

Last Point (Standard and Arbitrary Waveforms),

Any Point (Arbitrary Waveforms)

**Cursor Output** (Arb)

Any point (Digital Patterns only)

**FRONT PANEL I/O****Inputs**

Trig/Gate(Arb): TTL,

0-40 MHz, 250 V isolated

Clock(Arb): TTL, 40 MHz max, 250 V Isolated

Trig (PG1 &amp; PG2): TTL

Gate (PG1 &amp; PG2): TTL

**Outputs**Waveform (Arb): Z<sub>out</sub> = 2 Ω, 50 Ω or 93 Ω, 250 V Isolated

Cursor/Sync (Arb): TTL, ±15 mA, 250 V Isolated

Digital Word (Arb): TTL, ±15 mA, 250 V Isolated

Waveform (PG1 & PG2): Z<sub>out</sub> = 2 Ω, 50 Ω or 93 Ω

Clock (PG1 &amp; PG2): TTL into 50 Ω

# 3171 ORDERING INFORMATION

## VXIBUS INTERFACE DATA

(Single-slot, message-based, VXIbus 1.4)

### Software

SCPI, IEEE 488.2, LabVIEW,  
LabWindows/CVI, VXI plug&play WIN  
Framework

### Backplane Signal Support

TTLTrg0-7: Trigger Input, Sync  
Output

### Built-In Test (BIT)

Power On BIT: <5 seconds  
BIT SCPI Command: 95% fault detection,  
<30 seconds

## Auto-Calibration

(after 15 minute power-on)  
Stored in Non-Volatile Memory,  
<3 seconds

## Status Lights

Red: Power-On Self-Test Failure  
Green: Arb Output On/Off  
Green: PG2 Output On/Off  
Green: PG1 Output On/Off

## Peak Current & Power Consumption

	+24	+12	+5	-2	-5.2	-12	-24
I <sub>Pm</sub> (A)	.45	.55	2.5	.03	.4	.55	.45
I <sub>Dm</sub> (mA)	.94	.22	1.0	.63	.81	.46	.80

## ENVIRONMENTAL

### Temperature

Operating: 0-50° C  
Storage: -40° C-+70° C

### Altitude

Operating: 10,000 ft.  
Storage: 15,000 ft.

### Weight

3.5 lb. (1.6 kg)


### EMC (Council Directive 89/336/EEC)

EN55011, Group 1, Class A  
EN50082-1, IEC 801-2,3,4

### Safety

EN 61010-1, IEC1010-1, UL3111-1,  
CSA 22.2 #1010

(Specifications applicable after a 30 minute  
warm-up period and with the output terminated  
with a 50 Ω load.)

 The CE Mark indicates that the product has completed and passed rigorous testing in the area of RF Emissions, Immunity to Electromagnetic Disturbances and complies with European electrical safety standards.

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### MODEL/DESCRIPTION

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