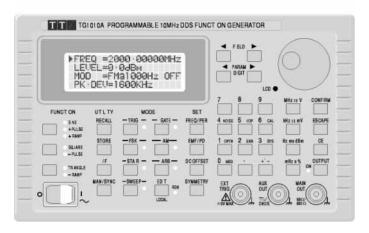
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TG1010A 10MHz D.D.S. Function Generator - Description



- 0.1mHz to 10MHz frequency range, 7 digit resolution.
- Eight standard waveforms, plus multiple "complex" waveforms, true arbitrary waveforms and noise.
- Powerful modulation modes including Sweep, AM, Gating, Trigger/Burst, FSK and Hop.
- Variable symmetry, variable start/stop phase.
- 20V pk-pk output from 50 Ω or 600 Ω (switchable).
- Storage for five Arbitrary waveforms (1024 x 10-bits).
- Fully programmable via RS-232 or GPIB interfaces.

A DDS generator at a non-DDS price

The TG1010 breaks new ground by offering a DDS function generator at a similar price to that of a conventional generator of comparable functionality. It can generate a wide variety of waveforms between 0.1mHz and 10MHz with a resolution of 7 digits and an accuracy better than 10ppm.

Direct digital synthesis for accuracy & stability

Direct digital synthesis (DDS) is a technique for generating waveforms digitally using a phase accumulator, a look-up table and a DAC. The accuracy and stability of the resulting waveforms is related to that of the crystal master clock.

The DDS generator offers not only exceptional accuracy and stability but also high spectral purity, low phase noise and excellent frequency agility.

A wide range of waveforms

The TG1010 generates high quality sine, square and pulse waveforms over the full frequency range of 0.1mHz to 10MHz. Triangle waveforms, ramp waveforms and multi-level squarewaves can also be generated subject to some limitations in the maximum useable frequencies. Variable symmetry/duty-cycle is available for all waveforms.

Arbitrary waveform capability

Arbitrary waveforms can be loaded via the digital interfaces and then used in a similar way to the standard waveforms.

Up to five arbitrary waveforms of 1024 10-bit words can be stored in non-volatile memory. The waveform clock is 27.48 MHz maximum.

This facility considerably expands the versatility of the TG1010 making it suitable for the generation of highly complex waveform patterns.

In addition, the TG1010 offers numerous "complex" waveforms pre-defined in ROM. These include commonly used waveshapes such as sine x/x, decaying sinewave, exponential rise and fall etc.

Powerful modulation modes

Sweep

All waveforms can be swept over their full frequency range at a rate variable between 10 milliseconds and 15 minutes. The sweep is fully phase continuous. Sweep can be linear or logarithmic, single or continuous. Single sweeps can be triggered from the front panel, the trigger input, or the digital interfaces.

Two sweep markers are provided which are adjustable whilst sweep is running. The markers can provide a visual indication of frequency points on a 'scope or chart recorder.

AΜ

Amplitude Modulation is available for all waveforms and is variable in 1% steps up to 100%. An internal AM source is incorporated. Alternatively modulation can be controlled from an external generator.

FSK

Frequency Shift Keying provides phase coherent switching between two selected frequencies at a rate defined by the switching signal source. The rate can be set from dc to 50kHz internally, or dc to 1MHz externally.

Trigger/Burst

All waveforms are available as a triggered burst whereby each positive edge of the Trigger signal will produce one burst of the carrier, starting and stopping at the phase angle specified by the start-stop phase setting. The number of cycles in the burst can be set between 0.5 and 1023.

Gated

The Gated mode turns the output signal On when the gating signal is high and Off when it is low. Both Triggered and Gated modes can be operated from the internal Trigger Generator (0.005Hz to 50kHz) or from an external source (dc to 1MHz).

Waveform hop

The generator can be set up to 'hop' between a number of different waveform set-ups either at a pre-determined rate or in response to a manual or bus trigger. Up to 16 different hop waveforms can be defined in terms of frequency, amplitude, function, offset and duration, which is variable in 1ms steps up to 60 seconds.

Noise generation

The TG1010 can be set to simulate wide band random noise with adjustable amplitude and offset.

Locked generators

The signals from the Clock In/Out socket and the Sync Out socket can be used to phase lock two or more generators.

This can be used to generate multi-phase waveforms or locked waveforms of different frequencies.

Easy and convenient to use

The TG1010 is particularly easy to use. All of the main information is clearly displayed on a backlit LCD with 4 rows of 20 characters. Sub menus are used for the modulation modes and other complex functions.

All parameters can be entered directly from the numeric keypad. Alternatively most parameters can be incremented or decremented using the rotary encoder.

This system combines quick and easy numeric data entry with quasi-analogue adjustment when required.

Fully programmable

Addressable RS-232 standard, GPIB optional

The TG1010 has an RS-232 interface as standard which can be used for remote control of all of the instrument functions or for the down-loading of arbitrary waveforms.

As well as operating as a conventional RS-232 interface, it can also be used in addressable mode whereby up to 32 instruments can be linked to one PC serial port as part of a TTi "ARC" system.

Alternatively, a GPIB interface conforming to IEEE-488.2 is available as an option.

Note: Technical specifications are on a separate page.

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TG1010A 10MHz D.D.S. Function Generator - Specifications

FREQUENCY

All waveforms are available up to 10MHz. However, the purity of triangle, ramp, and multi-level squarewave waveforms is not specified above the frequencies indicated in the following section.

0.1mHz to 10MHz Range 7 digits or 0.1mHZ Resolution:

Accuracy: Typically <±10ppm for 1 year, 18 C to 28°C

Tempco.: Typically <1ppm/

WAVEFORMS Sinewave

Distortion: <0.3% to 500kHz. <-50dBc to 1MHz, <-35dBc to 10MHz

Non harmonically related spurii Spurii: typically <-60dBc to 10MHz

Squarewave

Rise & Fall Times: <25ns

Triangle

Linearity error: <0.5% to 30kHz **Positive and Negative Ramp** Linearity error: <0.5% to 30kHz Positive and Negative Pulse

Rise & Fall Times: <25ns Multi-Level Squarewave

Up to 16 steps available per cycle, each step selectable for amplitude (10 bit resolution) and duration (1 to 1024 samples). Above 27kHz a 36ns

edge uncertainty is introduced. Rise & Fall Times: <25ns **Arbitrary (and Complex)**

A number of "complex" waveforms are pre-programmed in ROM . A further 5, user defined, waveforms may be loaded via the digital in-

terfaces and stored in non-volatile RAM. Frequency range: All waveform points can be con-

tinuously output up to 27kHz, beyond which they are sampled

No. of Samples: 1024 10 bit samples

Noise

Wideband noise with variable amplitude and off-

SYMMETRY

Range: Sine, Triangle, Ramp - 1% to

99% at all frequencies; Other waveforms - 1% to 99% to 30kHz, 20% to 80% to 10MHz

Resolution:

MAIN OUTPUT

Output Impedance: Ω or 600Ω switchable 5mV to 20V pk-pk open circuit Amplitude:

(2.5mV to 10V into $50\Omega/600\Omega$).

Output can be specified as EMF (open circuit value) or PD (potential difference) in pk-pk, RMS or dBm. Note that in positive or negative Pulse modes the amplitude range is 2.5mV to 10V pk-pk O/C.

Typically ±3% ±1mV at 1kHz Accuracy:

into $50\Omega/600\Omega$

Flatness: ±0.2dB to 200kHz; ±1dB to 5MHz; ±2.5dB to 10MHz

Pulse Aberrations: <5% + 2mV

DC Offset: $\pm 10V$ from $50\Omega/600\Omega$. DC off-

set plus signal peak limited to $\pm 10V$ from $50\Omega/600\Omega$

Resolution: 3 digits or 1mV for both ampli-

tude and offset

MODULATION MODES

Trigger/Burst

Phase coherent signal keying - each positive edge of the Trigger signal will produce one burst of the carrier, starting and stopping at the phase angle specified by the Start/Stop phase setting.

Carrier frequency: 0.1mHz to 10MHz

Carrier waveforms: Αll

Number of cycles: 1 to 1023 (resolution 1 cycle) or

0.5 to 511.5 (resolution 1/2 cy-

dc to 50kHz internal, Trigger rep. rate:

dc to 1MHz external

Source: Internal from keyboard or trigger generator. External from EXT

TRIG input or remote interface

Gated

Non phase-coherent signal keying - output is On while Gate signal is high and Off while low. Carrier frequency: From 0.1mHz to 10MHz

Carrier waveforms:

Trigger rep. rate: dc to 50kHz internal dc to 1MHz external

Gate source: Internal from keyboard or trigger

generator. External from EXT TRIG input or remote interface

Sweep

source:

Carrier waveforms:

Sweep Mode: Linear or logarithmic, single or

continuous

Sweep Width: 0.1mHz to 10MHz. Phase con-

tinuous. Independent setting of the start and stop frequency.

Sweep Time: 10ms to 999s (3 digit resolution) Markers:

Two markers variable during sweep. Available at the TRIG/SWEEP OUT socket

Sweep Trigger The sweep may be free run or triggered from: keyboard, EXT TRIG input, remote interface

Amplitude Modulation

Carrier frequency: 0.1mHz to 10MHz

Carrier waveforms:

0 to 100%, resolution 1%. Depth Internal source: 1kHz fixed sinewave or 0.005Hz to 50kHz square wave

External: See "VCA In" section

Frequency Shift Keying (FSK)

Phase coherent switching between two frequencies at a rate defined by the switching signal

source.

Carrier frequency: 0.1mHz to 10MHz

Carrier waveforms: ΑII

Switch repetition dc to 50kHz internal, dc to 1MHz external

Switching signal Internal from keyboard or trigger generator. External from EX

TRIG input or remote interface

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Up to 16 different "hop" waveforms can be defined in terms of function, frequency, amplitude, offset and duration. Duration setable per step 1ms to

Start/Stop Phase

Carrier frequency: 0.1mHz to 10MHz

Carrier waveforms: ΑII

Range: -360 to +360 degrees

Resolution: 1 degree

Accuracy: Typically 1 degree to 20kHz

Trigger Generator

Internal source 0.005Hz to 50kHz squarewave adjustable in 20us steps. 3 digit resolution. Available for external use from TRIG/SWEEP OUT socket

AUXILIARY OUTPUTS

AUX OUT

CMOS/TTL levels with symmetry and frequency of main output and phase of Start-Stop phase setting. TRIG/SWEEP OUT

Multi-function output depending upon mode. Except in Sweep mode, the output is that of the Trigger Generator at CMOS/TTL levels from $1k\Omega$.

In Sweep mode the output is a 3-level waveform. changing from high (+4V) to low (0V) at the start of sweep, with narrow 1V pulses at each marker

INPUTS Ext Trig

Frequency Range: DC to 1MHz

Signal Range: TTL (1.5V) threshold; maxi-

mum input ±10V

Min. Pulse Width:

VCA In

Frequency Range: DC - 100kHz Signal Range: 2.5V for 100% level change at

maximum output

Input Impedance: Typically 6kΩ

PHASE LOCKING

Clock In/Out TTL/CMOS threshold levels; output impedance typically

50Ωs as an output

Sync Out TTL/CMOS logic levels from

typically 50Ω

The signals from these sockets are used to phase lock two or more generators.

INTERFACES

Full remote control facilities are available through the RS232 (standard) or optional GPIB interfaces.

Variable Baud rate, 9600 Baud maximum. 9-pin D-connector. Fully compatible with

Thurlby-Thandar ARC (Addressable RS232 Chain) sys-

Conforming with IEEE488.1

and IEEE488.2

IEEE-488: **GENERAL**

RS232:

20 character x 4 row alphanu-Display:

meric I CD

Keyboard selection of mode, Data Entry:

waveform etc.; value entry di-rect by numeric keys or by ro-

tary control.

Up to 9 complete instrument Stored Settings:

set-ups may be stored and re-called from battery-backed

memory.

3U (130mm) height; half-rack (212mm) width, 330mm long Size:

Weight: 4.1kg (9lb)

230V ±14% 50/60Hz AC or Power:

115V ±14% 50/60Hz AC by internal adjustment; 30VA max.

Operating Range: Storage Range:

IEEE-488 interface; 19 inch Options:

rack mounting kit

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