TimeSpy

Network Time Analyzer with Precision Time Management

TimeSpy precisely measures the accuracy of a wide range of classic and network timing inputs against an internal precision GPS-controlled oscillator.



Features

- Graphical display of the difference between input time signal and UTC
- Capable of measuring a wide variety of classic and network time signal inputs
- Timing resolution of better than 1 ns and absolute accuracy of up to 30ns to UTC
- Automatic identification and analysis of Modulated Carrier Timecode
- Laboratory standard 1pps & 10MHz inputs can be used as a time reference
- Frequency measurement range 40Hz to 50MHz
- GOOSE and Sampled Values measurement capability for IEC61850
- Full color touch-screen with user- friendly Window operating system
- Front panel USB port for easy access downloads for subsequent data analysis
- Robust, portable design for all industrial applications
- Choice of time reference performance accuracy

Ease of Use

The unit is portable and battery powered, and can easily be synchronized outside by using the integrated GPS antenna. Alternatively, synchronization can take place inside if connected to an external GPS antenna, with further flexibility to use AC power.

Measurement Reference Source:

- Internal C/A Code GPS Receiver with case-mounted antenna
- Time Accuracy (1σ) 30ns over 24hrs with GPS reception
- Internal Time Interval Measurement: 0.2ns resolution with built-in self-calibration
- Optional connection to external GPS Antenna

| Measurement Interfaces | | Connector | Input Measurement Ac- curacy Against GPS | | Input Specifications | |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| | | | Time (1 σ) Resolution | | | |
| Pulse | Fibre | ST | 25ns | 0.2ns | 820nm -7.6dBm max (or 1300nm -11dBm max - to special order) | |
| (1pps / 1ppm / 1pph) | Differen- tial | Twin BNC | 25ns | 0.2ns | Common mode -7V+12V | |
| | | | | | Differential threshold -0.3V min +0.3V max | |
| | | | | | Input Impedance 22k min | |
| | | | | 0.2ns | Nominal Input 0V to 2.5V | |
| | TTL | 50 Ohm BNC | 25ns | | Low: 0- 0.9V; High: Min 1.4V-5V | |
| | | | | | Input Impedance 1.2kohm | |
| Relay / optoiso | lator | Twin BNC | 25ns | 0.2ns | Isolated inputs. TimeAcc connects 1.2kohm from +5V to contacts from isolated supply | |
| | | | | | Nominal Input: 10Vpp | |
| 1kHz AC Timecode* | | 50 Ohm BN 1 μs | 100ns | Peak to Peak Min / Max: 2.5Vpp /12Vpp | | |
| | | | | | Input Impedance: 60kohm | |
| | Fibre | ST | 25ns | 0.2ns | 820nm -7.6dBm max (or 1300nm -11dBm max - to special order) | |
| | Differen- tial | Twin BNC | 25ns | 0.2ns | Common mode -7V+12V | |
| DCLS/ Have | | | | | Differential threshold -0.3V min +0.3V max | |
| Quick/ DCF77/ DC | | | | | Input Impedance 22k min | |
| Timecodes* | TTL | TL 50 Ohm BNC | 25ns | 0.2ns | Nominal Input 0V to 2.5V | |
| | | | | | Low: 0- 0.9V; High: Min 1.4V-5V | |
| | | | | | Input Impedance 1.2kohm | |
| Network Con- nections | NTP / SNTP / PTP** | RJ-45 | 70ns | 20ns | 100Base-T Ethernet | |
| RS422/RS485 | | | | Common mode -7V+12V | | |
| Message Start and NMEA plus Pulse; China Mobile | | 9-pin D-type 100ns | 0.2ns | Differential threshold -0.3V min +0.3V max. | | |
| 1pps +TOD | | | | | Input Impedance 22k min | |
| RS232 Serial Message Start and NMEA plus Pulse | | | | | Input Voltage Range ±30V max | |
| | | MEA 9-pin D-type 1 μs 0.2ns | | 0.2ns | Low threshold 0.8V max; High threshold 2.4V | |
| | | . , | | | Input impedance 3kohm min 7kohm max | |

^{*}TimeSpy reads and identifies the following DCLS and AC timecodes: IRIG-B (IEEE:1344), IRIG-B (200-04), IRIG B, AFNOR (NFS87-500), NASA 36, 2137, XR3

^{**}IEEE1588 (PTP) supported: PTPv1 (multicast); PTPv2 Multicast UDP; PTPv2 Multicast L2 (Ethernet); PTPv2 Unicast UDP; PTPv2 Unicast L2 (Ethernet); PTPv2 Peer-delay

Frequency Measurement Specification

| Parameter | TTI Input | Fiber Input | Differential Input | Rear 10MHz Input |
|-----------|--------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Frequency | 40Hz to | 40Hz to 50MHz | 40Hz to 25MHz | 40Hz to 50MHz |
| Range | 50MHz | +0112 to 00141112 | 401 12 to 201411 12 | +0112 to 50141112 |
| 10MHz | 50ohm BNC | Low: 0-0.9V; | Differential | |
| | | High: 1.4V-5V | threshold -0.3V min | |
| | | input impedance | +0.3V max. | 100mVrms min |
| | | 1.2kohm User | Common mode - | 100111711118 111111 |
| | | termination | 7V+12V Input | |
| | | recommended | impedance 22k min | |

Laboratory Reference (optional)

| Optional Laboratory Reference Signal | Connector | Input Specification | |
|---|-----------|---------------------------------------|--|
| | | Nominal Input 0V to 2.5V | |
| 1pps | 50ohm BNC | Low: 0- 0.9V; High: Min 1.4V-5V | |
| | | Input Impedance 1.2kohm | |
| 10MHz | 50ohm BNC | Min 1.4V. Input Impedance 1.2kohm) | |

Outputs

| Output Interface | Connector | Output Specification |
|--------------------|--------------|--|
| Alarm relay output | 9-pin D-type | NO/NC/COM Voltage Free Contacts 0.3A at 125VAC; 1A at 30VDC |
| RS232 User port | 9-pin D-type | RS232 Port for diagnostics |
| 1pps output | 50 Ohm BNC | 0V to 5V pulse from 50ohms |
| 1pps output RS422 | Twin BNC | 0V to 5V RS422 pulse output |
| 1ppm output* | 50 Ohm BNC | 0V to 5V pulse from 50ohms |

| 10MHz output | 50 Ohm BNC | 0V to 5V square wave from 50ohms |
|--------------------|------------|---|
| Timecode AC | 50 Ohm BNC | 1kHz modulated Timecode output; 6V peak to peak from 50ohms |
| Timecode DCLS; TTL | 50 Ohm BNC | 0V to 5V DCLS Timecode output from 50ohms |

^{* 1}ppm is set as default - pulse width and output interval (or output time of day) can be set by the user

Additional Service connections

- USB Port for printer /data logger/removable memory
- Internal and external antenna [BNC connector]
- Remote access via VNC

TimeSpy Model Selector

| Model | Oscillator | Frequency reference Stability | Frequency Aging without GPS | Loss of Time Accuracy without GPS |
|-----------|----------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| TimeSpy-Q | Quartz OCXO | 1x10 ⁻¹² over 100s | 3 x 10 ⁻⁹ per month | ±700ns per hour |
| TimeSpy-R | Rubidium | 3x10 ⁻¹² over 100s | | ±30ns per hour |

Physical/Environmental

| Power | 90V-264V AC; Internal rechargeable battery, nominal 3-hr battery life with 4-hr time to recharge; A Ground Stud is also provided | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Mechanical | Portable Instrument Case: Dimensions: 350mm(W) x 180(H) x 305(D) 13.78" (W) x 7.08"(H) x 12" (D) Weight: 9kg | | |
| Environmental (Operation & Storage) | Temperature: 0°C to +40°C Humidity: Up to 95% RH (non-condensing); EMC: CE Compliant | | |

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