

# RF Signal Generator



## SGX1003/SGX1006 RF Signal Generator



The SGX1003 and SGX1006 utilize a unique non-PLL (phase locked loop) design with a digital front-end and direct, proprietary back end. The design enables a distinctive combination of features and performance.

### **Key Features**

| Frequency range:    | 10 MHz to 6 GHz |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Output power range: | -50 to +18 dBm  |

**Lightning fast** - Frequency switching speed:

(list/step sweep modes) 350 μs, settled

**Ultra-low phase noise** - single sideband phase noise -122 dBc/Hz

3 GHz, 10 kHz offset

-116 dBc/Hz

6 GHz, 10 kHz offset

**Ultra-low jitter** < 100 fs

**Excellent amplitude accuracy** (as low as -40 dBm) +/-0.5 dB

## SGX1003/1006 RF Signal Generator - Front Panel



- USB ports for peripherals
- At-a-glance display of key synthesis parameters
- RF output (option to move to rear panel)

- 4 Multi-touch display with intuitive user interface
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- Quick access to freq and amp settings and to turn RF output on/off

## 6 SGX100x Additional Signal Generation Capabilities (beyond CW)



#### **Sweep Mode**

The RF output signal can be swept up or down between frequency points with a user-defined number of points and dwell time.



#### **List Mode**

Users can import a .csv file with a list of frequencies and power levels to which the instrument can be set via an external trigger or set of triggers.

## **Specifications**

| PARAMETER                     | MIN     | TYPICAL       | MAX       | COMMENTS   |  |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------------|-----------|--|--|
| Frequency Range               |         |               |           |  |  |
| Model SGX1003                 | 10 MHz  |               | 3.072 GHz | Settable from 5 MHz to 3.072 GHz                         |  |
| Model SGX1006                 | 10 MHz  |               | 6.000 GHz | Settable from 5 MHz to 6.720 GHz                         |  |
| Frequency Step Size           |         | 0.001 Hz      |           | Nominal  |  |
| Switching Speed (Frequency)   |         |               |           |  |  |
| List/Step Sweep Mode          |         | 350 µs        |           | Nominal  |  |
| Internal Time Base Reference  |         |               |           |  |  |
| Oscillator Aging Rate         |         | ± 1 ppm/yr    |           | 1st year. ±0.5 ppm/yr each subsequent year               |  |
| Temperature Effects           |         | ± 1 ppm       |           | 0° C to 55° C, nominal                                   |  |
| Reference Output              |         |               |           |  |  |
| Frequency                     |         | 100 MHz       |           |  |  |
| Amplitude                     | +2 dBm  |               | + 6 dBm   | Into 50 Ω, nominal                                       |  |
| External Reference Input      |         |               |           |  |  |
| Input Frequency               |         | 10 or 100 MHz |           | Software select 10 MHz, 100 MHz or No Ext. Ref.          |  |
| 10MHz Lock Range              |         | +/- 4 ppm     | +/- 1 ppm | 20 Hz Locking BW, Internal OCXO remains on               |  |
| 10MHz External Amplitude      | 0 dBm   |               | + 10 dBm  | 20 Hz Locking BW, Internal OCXO remains on, nominal      |  |
| 100MHz External Amplitude     | + 2 dBm |               | +6 dBm    | Internal OXCO shuts off with 100 MHz Ext. Ref. , nominal |  |
| Waveform                      |         |               |           | Sine   |  |
| Digital Sweep Modes           |         |               |           |  |  |
| Operating Modes               |         |               |           | Step sweep (linear, internal)                            |  |
|                               |         |               |           | List (simultaneous frequency and amplitude step changes) |  |
| Sweep Range                   | 10 MHz  |               | 3.072 GHz | SGX1003  |  |
|                               | 10 MHz  |               | 6.72 GHz  | SGX1006  |  |
| Dwell Time                    | 100 μs  |               | 10 s      | 1 µs increments  |  |
| Number of Points (Step sweep) | 2       |               | 65535     |  |  |
| Number of Points (List)       | 2       |               | 2560      |  |  |
| Triggering                    |         |               |           | Free Run, Sweep, and Point                               |  |
| Trigger Source                |         |               |           | External, Bus, and Key                                   |  |

## **Specifications**

| PARAMETER                                  | MIN      | TYPICAL        | MAX           | COMMENTS                          |
|--|----------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| Output Power (Calibrated)*                 |          |                |               | Settable from -50 dBm to +20 dBm; |
|  |          |                |               | Refer to typical data: Page 6     |
| 10 MHz ≤ f ≤ 3 GHz                         | - 40 dBm |                | + 18 dBm      |                                   |
| 3 GHz < f ≤ 6.0 GHz                        | - 40 dBm |                | + 15 dBm      |                                   |
| Resolution                                 |          | 0.01 dB        |               | Nominal                           |
| Connector                                  |          | 50 Ω           |               | Type N                            |
| SWR (return loss)*                         |          |                |               |                                   |
| 10 MHz $\leq$ f $\leq$ 2 GHz               |          | 1.33 (-17 dB)  |               | Measured                          |
| 2 GHz < f ≤ 4.1 GHz                        |          | 1.57 (-13 dB)  |               | Measured                          |
| $4.1 \text{ GHz} < f \le 6.0 \text{ GHz}$  |          | 2.21 (-8 dB)   |               | Measured                          |
| Maximum Reverse Power                      |          |                |               |                                   |
| Max DC Voltage                             |          | 25 VDC         |               |                                   |
| > 10 MHz                                   |          | 10 mW (+16dBm) |               |                                   |
| Absolute Level Accuracy*                   |          | ,              |               |                                   |
| 10 MHz < f < 6.0 GHz, +18 to +15 dBm       |          | +/-0.3 dB      | ± 1.0 dB      | 20° C to 30° C                    |
| 10 MHz < f < 6.0 GHz, <+15 dBm to >-10 dBm |          | +/-0.25 dB     | +/- 0.65 dB   | 20° C to 30° C                    |
| 10 MHz < f < 6.0 GHz, -10 to -40 dBm       |          | ± 0.50 dB      | ± 1.5 dB      | 20° C to 30° C                    |
| Single Sideband Phase Noise*               |          |                |               | Refer to typical data: Page 7     |
| 100 MHz, 10 kHz offset                     |          | ≤ -147 dBc/Hz  | ≤ -141 dBc/Hz |                                   |
| 500 MHz, 10 kHz offset                     |          | ≤ -138 dBc/Hz  | ≤ -132 dBc/Hz |                                   |
| 1.0 GHz, 10 kHz offset                     |          | ≤ -132 dBc/Hz  | ≤ -126 dBc/Hz |                                   |
| 2.0 GHz, 10 kHz offset                     |          | ≤ -126 dBc/Hz  | ≤ -120 dBc/Hz |                                   |
| 3.0 GHz, 10 kHz offset                     |          | ≤ -122 dBc/Hz  | ≤ -116 dBc/Hz |                                   |
| 4.0 GHz, 10 kHz offset                     |          | ≤ -120 dBc/Hz  | ≤ -114 dBc/Hz |                                   |
| 6.0 GHz, 10 kHz offset                     |          | ≤ -116 dBc/Hz  | ≤ -110 dBc/Hz |                                   |
| Harmonics (CW mode)*                       |          | (2nd / 3rd)    | (AII)         | Refer to typical data: Page 8     |
| 100 MHz to 1.024 GHz                       |          | -42 / -60 dBc  | -30 dBc       | @ 0 dBm                           |
| >1.024 GHz to 4.096 GHz                    |          | -45 / -75 dBc  | -30 dBc       | @ 0 dBm                           |
| >4.096 GHz to 6.0 GHz                      |          | -50 / -65 dBc  | -40 dBc       | @ 0 dBm                           |
| Sub-Harmonics (CW mode)*                   |          | (1/2 / 3/2)    | (AII)         | Refer to typical data: Page 9     |
| 10 MHz to 1.024 GHz                        |          | -90 / -75 dBc  | -60 dBc       | @ 0 dBm                           |
| >1.024 GHz to 4.096 GHz                    |          | -75 / -60 dBc  | -45 dBc       | @ 0 dBm                           |
| >4.096 GHz to 6.0 GHz                      |          | -65 / -80 dBc  | -50 dBc       | @ 0 dBm                           |
| Non-Harmonics/Broadband Spurious(CW mode)* |          |                |               | Refer to typical data: Page 10    |
| 10 MHz to 2 GHz                            |          | -70 dBc        | -60 dBc       | @ +10 dBm                         |
| >2 GHz to 4.096 GHz                        |          | -65 dBc        | -50 dBc       | @ +10 dBm                         |
| >4.096 GHz to 6.0 GHz                      |          | -60 dBc        | -45 dBc       | @ +10 dBm                         |
| Jitter**                                   |          |                |               |                                   |
| 155 MHz                                    |          | 60 fs          |               | 100 Hz < BW < 1.5 MHz             |
| 622 MHz                                    |          | 60 fs          |               | 1 kHz < BW < 5 MHz                |
| 2.488 GHz                                  |          | 90 fs          |               | 5 kHz < BW < 20 MHz               |

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  The SGX1003 is limited to 3 GHz.  $^{\star\star}$ Calculated from measured phase noise data in CW mode at nominal +10 dBm

## **Output Power Data**

The data contained in this section demonstrates the typical output power performance of the SGX1003 and SGX1006 series.

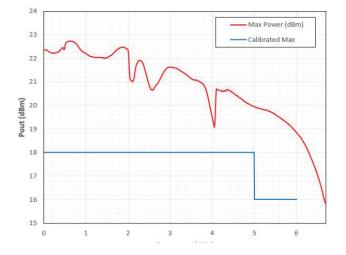
## Maximum (Unleveled) Output Power

FIGURE 1:

Maximum Output Power

10 MHz - 6.7 GHz

P<sub>OUT</sub> Setting: +25 dBm



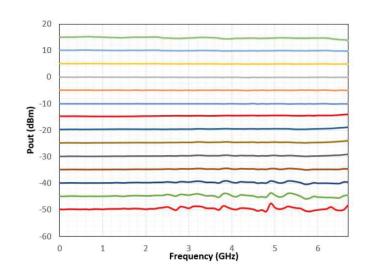
## **Calibrated Output Power**

FIGURE 2:

**Calibrated Output Power** 

+15 dBm to -40 dBm

10 MHz - 6.7 GHz



## **Phase Noise Data**

The data contained in this section demonstrates the typical phase noise performance of the SGX1003 and SGX1006 series.

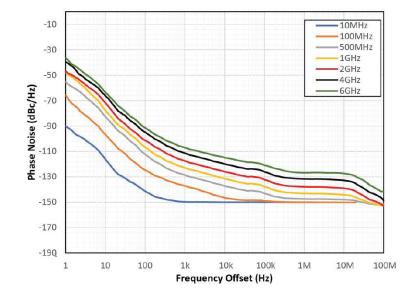
## **Phase Noise**

FIGURE 3:

Phase Noise Performance

500 MHz - 6 GHz

P<sub>OUT</sub> Setting: +10 dBm



## **Spectral Purity Data**

The data contained in this section demonstrates the typical spectral purity performance of the SGX1003 and SGX1006 series.

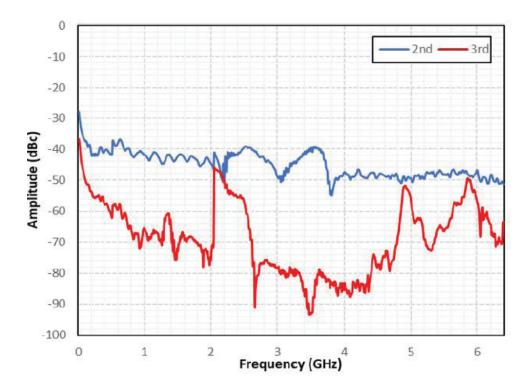
#### **HARMONICS**

2nd Harmonic 3rd Harmonic

**Harmonics Performance** 

10 MHz – 6.0 GHz

P<sub>OUT</sub> Setting: 0 dBm



## **Spectral Purity Data**

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#### **SUB-HARMONICS**

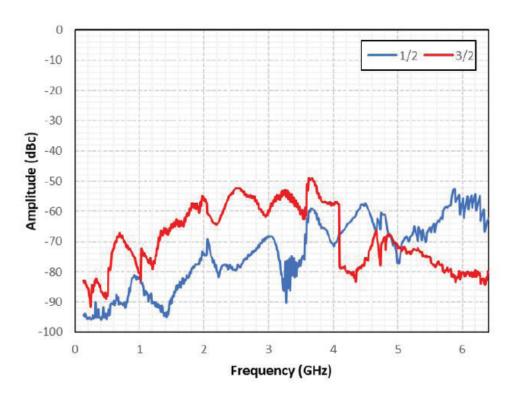
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Sub-Harmonic

<sup>3</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Sub-Harmonic

Sub-Harmonic Performance

10 MHz – 6.0 GHz

P<sub>OUT</sub> Setting: 0 dBm



## **Spectral Purity Data**

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## NARROWBAND NON-HARMONICS / SPURIOUS

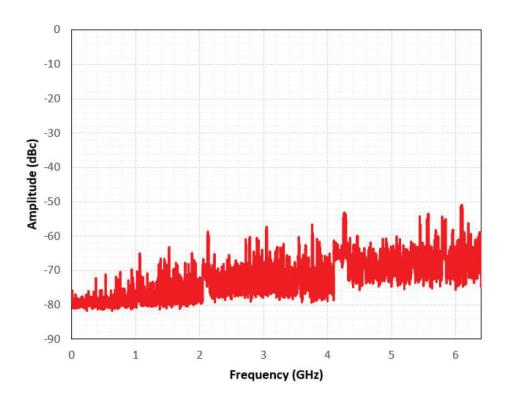
Maximum Spurious Response

Narrowband Maximum Spurious Performance

10 MHz - 6.0 GHz

P<sub>OUT</sub> Setting: +10 dBm

Spectrum Analyzer Settings: 10 MHz span 10 kHz bandwidth



## **Specifications, Continued**

| Inputs/Outputs (front panel)  | USB                           | 2 ports USB2.0: Type A receptacle                                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| RF Output                     |                               | 50 Ω, N-type (f)  |
| Inputs/Outputs (rear panel)   | LAN                           | RJ-45 modular socket  |
|                               | USB                           | 2 ports USB2.0: Type A receptacle                                   |
| RF Output (optional)          |                               | 50 Ω, N-type (f)  |
| Multi I/O Connector           |                               | BNC(f); DC-coupled  |
|                               | User Selectable               | Status, trigger, or voltage output                                  |
|                               | Range                         | 0 to 10 V (Analog unipolar)   |
|                               |                               | -10 V to +10 V (Analog bipolar)                                     |
|                               |                               | 0 or 5 V (Logic)  |
|                               | Accuracy                      | ±200 mV (±100 mV typical)   |
|                               | Linearity                     | 0.1% typical  |
| Trigger                       |                               | +/- 5V max ; 50 $\Omega$ , BNC(f); DC-coupled                       |
| Reference Input               |                               | 1V RMS max ; 50 $\Omega$ , BNC(f); AC-coupled                       |
| Reference Output              |                               | 100 MHz ; BNC(f); AC-coupled  |
| Remote Control                | Command Set                   | SCPI-1999.0   |
|                               | LAN                           | Ethernet:10/100/1000 BaseT; HiSLIP                                  |
|                               | GPIB (optional)               |   |
| Regulatory Compliance         |                               | CE compliance with the following European Union directives          |
|                               |                               | Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EU                                    |
|                               |                               | Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive (EMC) 2014/30/EU            |
|                               |                               | RoHS Directive EU 2015/863, WEEE Directive 2012/19/EU               |
| Construction                  |                               | Manufactured to the intent of MIL-PRF-28800F, Class 3               |
| Dimensions (excluding connect | tors) H x W x D               | 3.5 x 8.3 x 11.2 (in), 89 x 211 x 284 (mm)                          |
| Weight                        |                               | 7 lbs, 3.2 kg   |
| AC Power                      |                               |   |
| Rated Voltage                 |                               | 100 to 240 VAC  |
| Voltage Range                 |                               | 90 to 264 VAC   |
| Rated Frequency               |                               | 50/60 Hz  |
| Frequency Range               |                               | 47 to 63 Hz   |
| Power Consumption             | 60 W (70 VA) max, 3           | 30 W (35 VA) nominal with no external peripheral devices attached   |
| ·                             | This instrument is designed f |   |
| Operating Temperature         |                               | 0 to 50 °C (32 to 122 °F)   |
| Storage Temperature           |                               | -40 to +70 °C (-40 to 158 °F)                                       |
| Humidity                      |                               | 95% maximum, non-condensing   |
| Altitude                      |                               | Operation up to 15,000 feet (4575 m)                                |
| Warranty                      |                               | 3 years   |
| , <b>,</b>                    |                               | gger put Multiple I/O connector for status, trigger, or voltage out |
|                               | Optional GPIB connectivity    | USB 2.0  Optional rear panel RF output                              |
|                               |                               | LAN connectivity  |

## **Ordering Information**

| SGX1003 | RF Signal Generator (10 MHz to 3 GHz) |  |
|---------|---------------------------------------|--|
| SGX1006 | RF Signal Generator (10 MHz to 6 GHz) |  |
|         |                                       |  |

#### **Options**

SGX-GPIB GPIB Control (internally installed)
SGX-RRF Moves RF output the rear panel

SGX1K-SECURE Removes internal microSD and enables boot from USB drive (included)

SGX1K-2SECOP Installation SGX1K-SECURE post initial purchase (retrofit); requires return to factory

#### **Included Accessories**

Information Card (provides information on where to find latest manual versions)

#### **Optional Accessories**

SGX1K-RMK 19" Rack Mount Kit (includes handles & hardware for mounting one or two generators)

SGX1K-TCASE Transit case

SGX1K- RSSD Additional external USB drive for secure operation

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