

VersaSync Rugged Time and Frequency Reference



Accurate in All Conditions

- GPS (SAASM option) + precision oscillator
- Airborne, ground and marine applications
- Mil-std environmental qualified
- Up to 45,000 ft, -40 to +65°C, IP65 (dust and waterproof)

Flexible

- Wide variety of analog and digital time and frequency signals
- Software configurable inputs/outputs
- Network sync, set-up and management
- Customized COTS available

Compact/Rugged

- Optimized SWaP
- < 1 Liter, < 10 Watts, < 1 kg
- VITA 75 form factor
- Conduction-cooled
- Mil-performance connectors
- Standby power mode

Applications

Airborne

- Observation payload (radar, optronics, electronic warfare)
- Flying test bench
- Flight analysis

Ground

- Satcom On The Move (SOTM)
- Anti IED jamming systems
- Mobile radios and C3I
- Robotics

Marine/Naval

- Sensor support (radar, sonar, optronics, electronic warfare)
- Communication networks
- Offshore/DSO platforms
- Buoys

VersaSync is a low SWaP high performance GPS master clock and network time server that delivers accurate, software configurable time and frequency signals under all circumstances, including GNSS-denied environments. Its compact size and high level of ruggedization make VersaSync suitable for mobile applications in harsh environments. Its small footprint allows for easy integration of the time and frequency functionality into any systems' architecture.

Backed by more than four decades of Spectracom's precision timing expertise, VersaSync includes all the timing functionality required in modern, network-centric applications:

- NTP/PTP precise time transfer over Ethernet, including security protocols that prevent network vulnerabilities
- Low phase noise 10 MHz frequency distribution
- Configurable pulse signals, including IRIG or HaveQuick timecodes
- Serial link Time Of Day (ToD) messages

A Perfect Fit for GPS-Denied Environments

VersaSync accommodates an OCXO or a CSAC oscillator, allowing the unit to maintain frequency and time accuracy for long periods of GPS/GNSS outage. In addition, it can be re-synchronized by an alternative external reference.

Highly Reliable, Versatile, and Configurable Solution

VersaSync physical inputs and outputs are software configurable and can adapt to various application requirements for mission-to-mission configurability. I/O pins can be configured as TTL, 10 V pulse, RS232, RS485. This allows VersaSync to provide a high number of outputs of the same, or different types, while still fitting into a small form factor. However, if the combination of software configurable outputs is not enough, VersaSync can accommodate an option board, designed to customer requirements to provide additional outputs of the standard types or another interface (IRIG AM, 1553 bus, etc.).

VersaSync is designed for exceptional intrinsic reliability. Comprehensive status monitoring capability, either locally or remotely, allows quick fault diagnoses. Physical alarm (dry contact) and network alarms (SNMP traps) are raised in real time. An internal, exportable log can be accessed either locally or remotely.

Custom Solutions Available

Spectracom can customize the VersaSync to adapt to your specific requirements. Contact us to learn how we can efficiently design and validate a special configuration to match your needs.

Timing Interface Summary (Standard Configuration)

Some of the VersaSync I/O interfaces are configurable in terms of type and coding/modulation. When a number of available interfaces is identified as "Max" the actual number of available inputs or outputs is dependent on requirements for other signals. If "Max" is not identified for an interface, it does not depend on the product configuration.

Timing Signals

Timing Signal	Coding/Modulation	Input/Output	Connector
GNSS RF	L1 GPS, GLONASS 72 channels, T-RAIM integrity monitoring Option: L1/L2 SAASM	1 input	SMA, 5 VDC power supply to antenna
10 MHz	sine, 0 dBm	3 outputs	SMA
Pulse/DCLS TTL level	1PPS, xPPS, IRIG, HaveQuick, alarm	Max: 2 inputs Max: 5 outputs	I/O connector
Pulse/DCLS 10 VDC	1PPS, xPPS, IRIG, HaveQuick, alarm	Max: 1 input Max: 1 output	I/O connector
RS232	NMEA 0183, other ASCII ToD formats	Max: 3 inputs Max: 3 outputs	I/O connector
RS485	HaveQuick, xPPS	Max: 3 inputs Max: 4 outputs	I/O connector
NTP over LAN (GbE)	NTP v3, v4; client, server	2	LAN connector
PTP over LAN (GbE)	PTP v1, v2; master, slave	2	LAN connector

Timing and Frequency Performance

Performances	OCXO	CSAC
Timebase Performances		
Relative Frequency Variation with Aging:		
- 24 hours	1×10^{-9}	–
- One month	3×10^{-8}	3×10^{-10}
- One year	2×10^{-7}	1×10^{-9}
Relative Frequency Variation with Temperature (0°C to 60°C)	$\pm 5 \times 10^{-8}$	$\pm 5 \times 10^{-8}$
Short Term Stability (Allan Variance):		
@ 1 s	1×10^{-9}	3×10^{-10}
@ 10 s	1×10^{-10}	8×10^{-11}
@ 100 s	3×10^{-11}	3×10^{-11}
Phase Noise on 10 MHz Output:		
@ 10 Hz	-120 dBc/Hz	-70 dBc/Hz
@ 100 Hz	-140 dBc/Hz	-113 dBc/Hz
@ 1 kHz	-150 dBc/Hz	-128 dBc/Hz
@ 100 kHz	-155 dBc/Hz	-140 dBc/Hz
Harmonious Distortion	-40 dBc	
Spurious	-60 dBc	
System Performances		
Frequency Accuracy Averaged Over 24 hour when Locked on GNSS	5×10^{-12}	1×10^{-12}
Phase (1 PPS) Drift in Holdover (no reference available)		
- 4 hours	1.4 μ s	0.2 μ s
- 24 hours	45 μ s	1.3 μ s
- 7 days	1 ms	30 μ s
Phase (1 PPS) accuracy to UTC	± 50 ns (1 σ)	± 50 ns (1 σ)

Front Panel Connections

Interface	Type of Data	Connector
GNSS RF in	GNSS signal	SMA
Power in	DC power	Circular mil-type
Frequency out	10 MHz sine	SMA
Timing in/out	pulse/DCLS, RS232, RS485; also USB communications	Circular mil-type
GbE	NTP, PTP Navigation messages Monitoring	Circular mil-type
SAASM keyloader	DS101, DS102	Circular mil-type

Operational Readiness

- 1PPS time of day available (hot start)
 - 60 s: 1 ms accuracy to UTC
 - 200 s: 1 μ s accuracy to UTC

Management & Monitoring

- User, local:
 - Power and Status LEDs on front panel
 - USB: CLI commands
- User, remote (LAN): status, configuration, event log, software update through web pages
- Machine, remote (LAN): SNMP v2, v3 (get, set, traps); JSON RPC

Network Security

- Password protected administration accounts
- SSL/SSH based https, ftps protocols supported for secured access to user interface
- NTP implementation supports MD5, Autokey

Network Synchronization

- NTP v2, v3, v4: Conforms with or exceeds RFC 1305 and RFC 5905. Supports unicast, broadcast, multicast, peering, stratum2, MD5 encryption, autokey
- PTP v1 and v2: Master and/or Slave – conforms with default profile IEEE1588. Supports layer 2/layer 3, unicast/multicast.

Environmental

- Tested according to MIL-STD-810G (rain, salt fog, sand and dust)
- Temperature, in operation: -40°C to +65°C (-40°F to +150°F)
- Mounting plate temperature, in storage: -45°C to +85°C (-50°F to +185°F)
- Humidity: 95% RH, non-condensing
- Altitude: 45,000 ft
- Protection: IP 65
- Vibration: 7.7 g rms, 20 to 1000 Hz
- Shock: 20 g, 11 ms, sawtooth

Tested according to MIL-461F (EMI/EMC)

Physical

- Size (WxHxD): 5.8" x 2.5" x 5.0" (147.3 x 127.5 x 63.0 mm) VITA 75 compliant
- Weight: 0.91 kg (2.0 lbs)
- Mounting: On a plate, optimized for conduction cooling, 6 through holes

Power

- Input Voltage: 10-32 VDC
- Typical Power Draw: 10 W
- Standby mode (only oscillator is powered): 0.4 W, DC power supply must be within 10.5-12VDC

Certification/Marking

- RoHS, WEEE compliant

Warranty

- 2 years



Ordering Information

Standard Units

- **1228-0110:** VersaSync with internal OCXO and civilian GNSS receiver
- **1228-0121:** VersaSync with internal OCXO and SAASM GPS receiver
- **1228-0211:** VersaSync with internal CSAC and civilian GNSS receiver
- **1228-0221:** VersaSync with internal CSAC and SAASM GPS receiver

Evaluation Kit

- **VersaSync Evaluation Kit:** Includes a carrying case, L1 GNSS antenna (8230), 5 meter GPS RF cable, AC to DC power supply and cable, Ethernet cable, and signal breakout cable. Standard unit sold separately.

Accessories

- GPS/GNSS antenna, GNSS RF cables, lightning protection, splitters, line amplifiers

Services

- Premium Support Package
- Yearly warranty extension (up to a total of 7 years)