

TU-3840 WIDEBAND ELINT TUNER

PRELIMINARY

FEATURES

- 0.1 to 20 GHz, Extendable Up to 40 GHz
- Based on SEI Certified SMR-3822 Front-End
- IF Outputs at 1 GHz and 160 MHz
- Controlled from Remote Workstation
- Built-in Test Functions
- F1-F2 Sweep and Fixed Frequencies
- Ethernet 100BaseT control
- RF Blanking (Optional)
- RF Attenuation (Optional)

DESCRIPTION

The TU-3840 Microwave Tuner, a member of the SMR-3000 family of high-performance synthesized microwave receivers, covers 0.1 to 20 GHz. Frequency extension to millimeter wave frequencies is possible using a frequency extender, FE-3820-02. The tuner provides simultaneous wideband IF outputs at 1 GHz (500 MHz bandwidth), and 160 MHz (100 MHz bandwidth). Using YIG based preselector and synthesizer technologies allows for fast sweep times important in the rapid acquisition of threats in the tactical environment. Dual mode operation supporting lower phase noise during selected dwells, overall low noise figure, and high third order intercept permit sensitivities typically achieved by more static analysis receivers.

Remote Control by Laptop or Workstation

Remote control of the tuner is via the Ethernet 100BaseT LAN or RS-232/422 port. A remote control GUI (Graphical User Interface) is provided with



the tuner to allow for tuner controls and BIT.

RF Inputs

Key RF parameters include low noise figure, high intercept point, and high dynamic range. Excellent LO phase noise performance ensures clean down-conversion and low distortion of signal modulation characteristics.

To remove receiver front end gain variations, a gain controlled RF component is set automatically by the microprocessor based on internal calibration tables. Removing the front end gain ripple allows accurate signal amplitude data to be collected.

An optional RF blanking input for front-end protection in a strong signal environment is available. RF step attenuation that is digitally controlled via Ethernet or RS-232 input commands is also available as an option.

IF Outputs

The internal 1 GHz IF from the RF front end is preamplified and power divided. One of the divider outputs is filtered to a 100 MHz bandwidth and down converted to a 160 MHz center frequency.

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Frequency Range

RF Input Power

Stability

Standard

(Maximum Levels)

Long Term Frequency

Frequency Accuracy

External Frequency

vs. Temperature

RF Input Connector

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The TU-3840 Microwave Tuner is powered from the ac mains by an internal autosensing power supply. Built-In-Test (BIT) status of receiver phase lock, power supply voltages, and operating temperature limits are provided. Extensive mechanical and environmental testing ensures that the TU-3840 will perform in the most demanding environments.

IP1dB -11 dBm, minimum* 0 dBm, typ.; -3 dBm, min.* Third Order Intercept

Point

Image Rejection LO Reradiation

< -90 dBm at the RF input

Noise Figure

Without Optional Attenuator With Optional Blanking

 \leq 13 dB (<11 dB, typ.)*

Limiter and Attenuator With Optional Attenuator \leq 19 dB $\leq 17 \, \mathrm{dB}$

>70 dB

RF to IF Linear

Differential Group Delay

<5 ns, p-p over 80% of IF

bandwidth

RF Sweep Time

<100 msec, 0.1-20 GHz,

10 MHz step

Discrete Tuning Speed

F1 to F2, settled to within 1 kHz. <30 msec (TBR) from

end of frequency change

command

Integrated Phase Noise

<0.5°, RMS, maximum 100 Hz

to 100 MHz*

10 MHz at 0 dBm \pm 3 dB,

autoswitching

0.1 to 20 GHz

input impedance

+20 dBm CW

<1 ppm/Yr

Single SMA connector, 50Ω

+30 dBm CW with optional

 $<1x10^{-6}$ over -10° to 50° C

10 MHz, $0 \text{ dBm} \pm 3 \text{ dB}$ **Reference Output**

Tuning Resolution 1 kHz

RF SPECIFICATIONS AT 25° C

Linear Dynamic

Range

>90 dB, RF to IF, 1 MHz

BW

Single Tone Spurious Free

Dynamic Range

>60 dB, RF to IF, 1 MHz

Two Tone Spurious Free

Dynamic Range

>65 dB, RF to IF, 1 MHz BW f1 - f2 <25% of IF BW **Phase Noise** Offset dBc/Hz (typical) 100 Hz -75 1 kHz -85 -90 10 kHz 100 kHz -1001 MHz -13010 MHz -140

Tuner RF to IF Gain

20 dB, see IF Output Specifications Table

Log Video

0-2 volts, nominal; 10 MHz

bandwidth

*Applies to 80% of the 0.1-20 GHz tuning at 1 GHz and 160 MHz

IF's only

IF OUTPUT SPECIFICATIONS

IF OUTPUT PORT	GAIN	NOISE FIGURE (No Attenuation)	BANDWIDTH 0.5-20 GHz (see note)
1 GHz	20 dB, nominal ±1.5 dB (FIXED)	<13 dB	500 MHz
160 MHz Wideband	20 dB, nominal ±2 dB (FIXED)	<13 dB	100 MHz

NOTE

Actual IF bandwidth is 10% of fo when the tune frequency is in the range of 0.1 to 0.499999 MHz.

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SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS

OPTIONS (contact factory for further details)

Activated during power up **Built In Test** and on command. Monitors

power supply voltages, temperature, and phase lock.

Operating Power 100-240 Vac, 47 - 440 Hz

Power Consumption 150 Watts nominal

RFI/EMI Designed to meet MIL-STD-

461E; CE102 & RE102

Enclosure Size 3.5 x 8.5 x 18 inches (8.6 x

24.1 x 45.7 centimeters)

Weight <27 pounds (12 kg) maxi-

mum.

 -10^{0} to $+50^{0}$ C **Operating Temperature**

-30° to +85° C Storage Temperature

RS-232/422 & Ethernet Control

100BaseT

Analog Sweep Output Differential balanced (2 k Ω

Linear, F1 to F2 Logic level Sweep start

Blanking output signals provided. See Sweep Output Timing Diagram

Altitude

Operating 10,000 feet Non-operating 10,000 feet **Extended Tuning Range to**

40 GHz

Compatible with FE-3820 Frequency Extender

RF Input Blanking 30 dB attenuation

1 usec switch time Logic interface

+50 dBm maximum input in

blank mode.

RF Input Attenuator 0-70 dB, 10 dB steps

RF Input Limiter +30 dBm CW, maximum

WB Log Video

Output 0-2 volts, nominal Log Slope 25 mV/MHz, nominal

WB FM Discriminator (Requires WB Log Video

Option)

Output ±1 volt, 5% linearity, Slope 10 mV/MHz, nominal

Spectrum Display

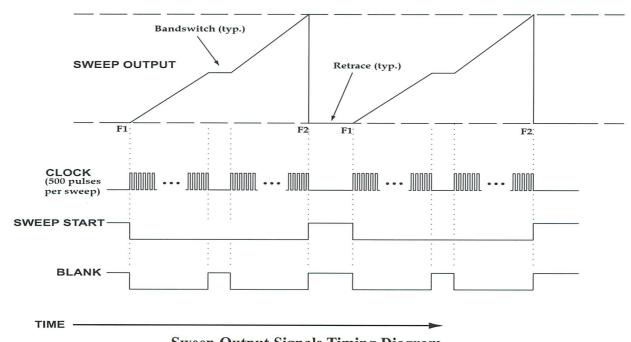
Generator

RF sweep and IF pan spec-

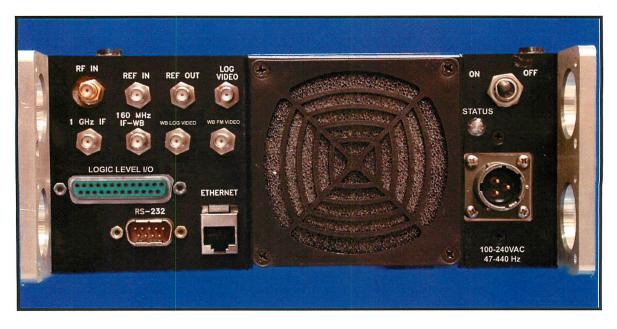
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Logic level **Preselect Control Output**

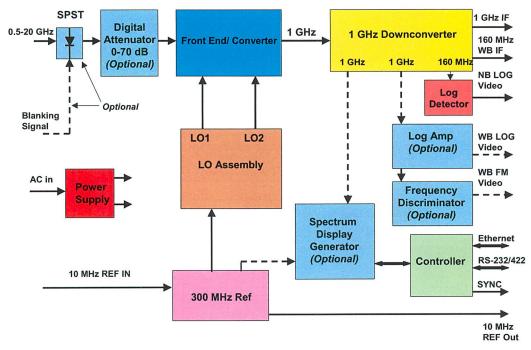
Specifications subject to change without notice.



Sweep Output Signals Timing Diagram Courtesy of http://BlackRadios.terryo.org



TU-3840 Connector Panel



TU-3840 BLOCK DIAGRAM



WARRANTY

All M/A-COM SIGINT Products equipment is warranted for one year, except for damage caused by accident or misuse, provided the equipment is returned for repair to the plant in Hunt Valley, Maryland, M/A-COM SIGINT PRODUCTS
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