

Data Sheet SHF 19120 C



2.85 GSa/s Arbitrary Waveform Generator with 4x 12.5 Gbps BPG Outputs



Description

The SHF 19120 C is a 2.85 GSa/s, 14-bit Arbitrary Waveform Generator (AWG) with four NRZ bit pattern outputs. Its high AWG bandwidth (>1.4 GHz), high output amplitude (1.2 V on DC output, +10 dBm on the AC output) and large sample memory size (1 Giga Sample) make it a versatile arbitrary generator.

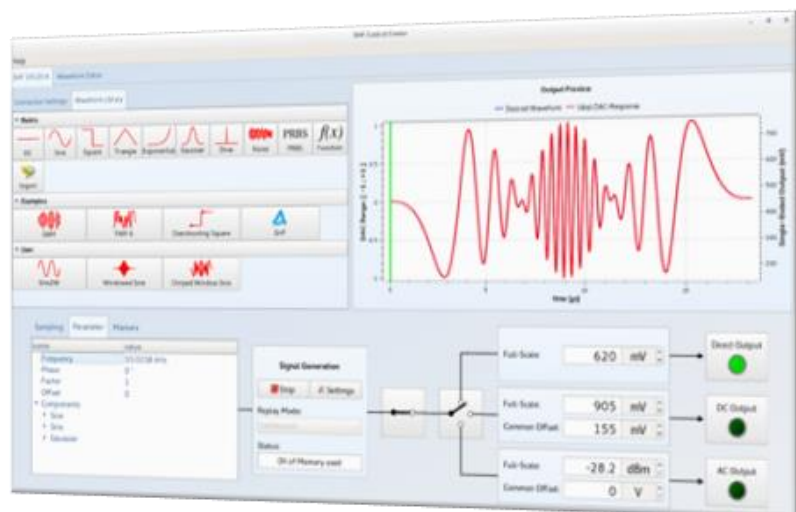
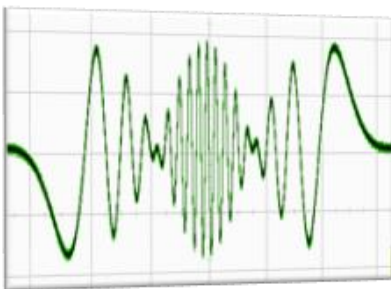
Three outputs (Direct, DC and AC) cover a wide range of test scenarios (jitter, glitched signal, modulation and modulated signal generation, etc.)

Two markers with a 2-sample resolution can be used to trigger external equipment. Two edge/level trigger inputs with adjustable thresholds start, pause or restart the signal generation.

Two or more SHF 19120 C instruments can be synchronized together via their 10 MHz references.

In addition to the three analog outputs, the SHF 19120 C can generate up to four 12.5 Gbps PRBS signals with emphasis on the rear panel, driven by the DAC clock, or by an external clock.

The SHF Control Center software allows a complete control of the SHF 19120 C, including a waveform editor with a waveform library and a Python equation editor.



SHF 19120 C: actual waveform and GUI



Features

Arbitrary Waveform Generator

- Sampling frequency f_{DAC} up to 2.85 GHz
- 1 GSa - sample memory
- Three types of outputs: Direct, DC coupled (1.2 Vpp) and AC coupled (+10 dBm max, in 0.1 dB steps)
- High output bandwidth: DC to 1.4 GHz for the direct and DC outputs, 20 MHz to 500 MHz for the AC output
- Up-sampling: in Double Interpolation Mode, the signal spectrum is shifted to f_{DAC} , doubling the effective DAC update rate
- Two sample-synchronous marker outputs
- Two trigger (edge/level) inputs with adjustable thresholds
- Output skew control in combination with trigger and marker delays help the synchronization of several SHF 19120 C AWGs
- Outputs and inputs for the DAC and BPG clock, and the 10 MHz reference

Bit Pattern Generator

- Four PRBS differential outputs with lane bitrates from 0.372 Gbps to 10.3125 Gbps using the internal clock and to 12.5 Gbps using an external clock.
- Nine PRBS patterns (from PRBS 2^7-1 to PRBS $2^{31}-1$), plus two square wave patterns of half-line rate (SQUARE2) and line rate $\div 32$ (SQUARE32) and user-defined patterns (4 Gb per channel)
- Frame trigger output
- Bit skew adjustment
- Pre and post cursor emphasis



Applications

Jitter modulation source

- random noise with a Crest factor up to 17 dB
- Sinusoidal
- PRBS
- Multi-frequency and multi-tone
- Custom shapes

Telecommunication

- Generation of real-world waveforms
- Ultrawide band signals
- Development of long-haul data transmission schemes
- Compliance testing
- Step response and bandwidth measurements
- Wireless communications
- Backplane characterization
- High speed serial link testing
- Clock source

Optics

- Shaped pulses
- Photonics research

Medicine

- Simulating complex ECG patterns
- Living cell stimulation

Radar / Lidar

- Chirp generation
- Shaped signal generation

Physics

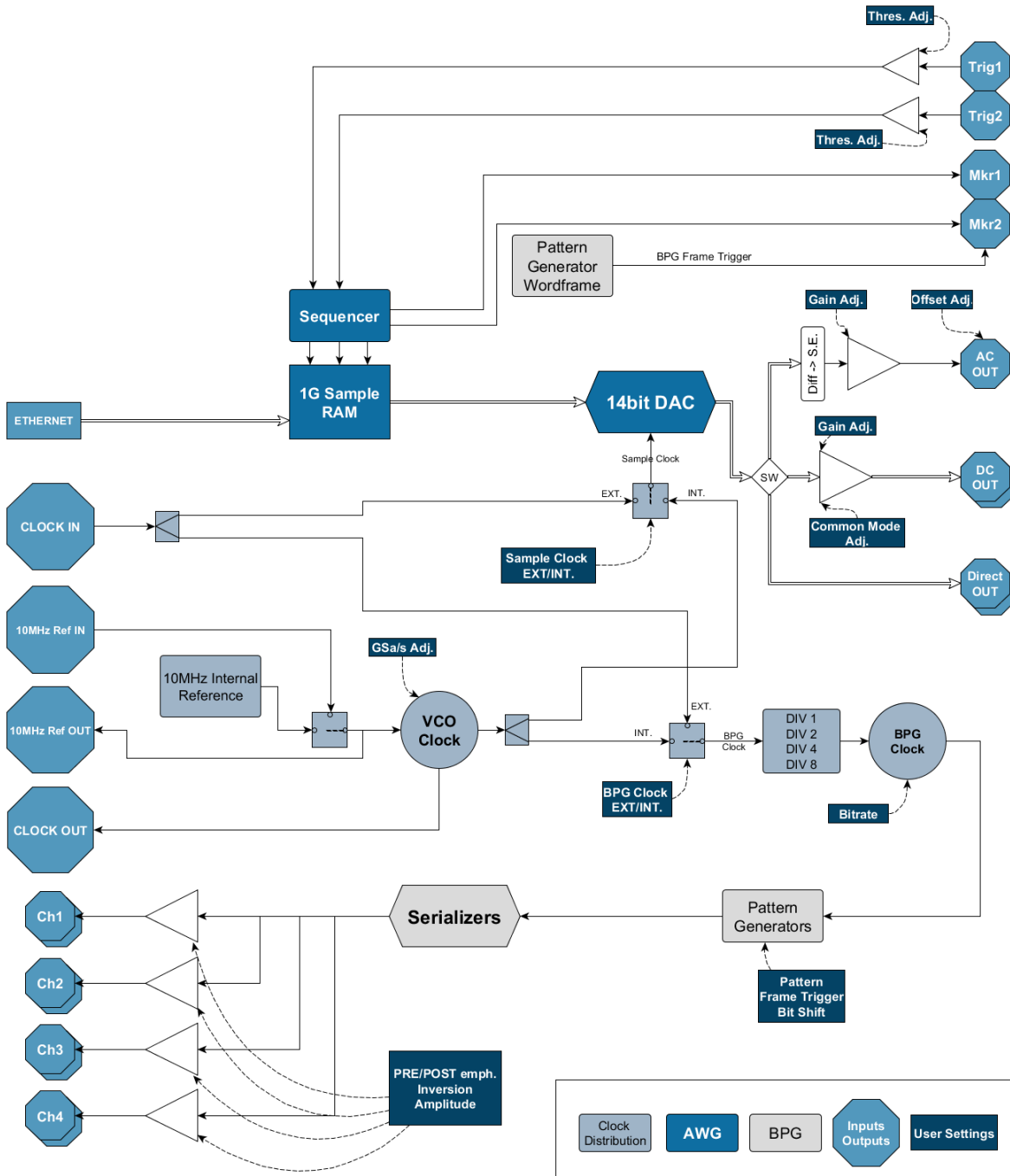
- Reflectometry
- Nuclear magnetic resonance research
- Study of materials
- Mass spectrometry experiments

Miscellaneous

- Quantum Computing and quantum measurements
- Development of Test and Measure Equipment
- Radar signals



Block Diagram





Specifications

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Power Supply Voltage	V				13	
Trigger Inputs	V		0		5	CMOS, DC coupled
Clock Input	dBm				3	AC coupled
10 MHz Input	V				3.3	Peak-to-Peak, AC coupled

General Characteristics

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Power Supply Voltage	V		11.6	12	12.4	+12 V switching power supply is included
Power Supply Current	A		2	2.5	3	
Power Consumption	W			30		
Operating Temperature	°C		10		35	

General Characteristics AWG

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Resolution	bits			14		Markers do not decrease the resolution or memory size.
Sample Rate	GSa/s	f_{DAC}	1.4		2.85	
RF Connectors				SMA		
Output Adjustable Delay	Sample Clock Periods		0		254	
Output Adjustable Delay Step	Sample Clock periods		2			

General Characteristics BPG

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Channels				4		
Bit Rate Minimum	Gbps				0.500	
Bit Rate Maximum (int. clock)	Gbps		10.3125			See Ranges for the Bit Rate, p 15
Bit Rate Maximum (ext. clock)	Gpbs		12.5			See Ranges for the Bit Rate, p 15
RF Connectors				SMA		Differential
External Clock Input Multiplier Factor			1		8	The BPG bitrate will be the external clock frequency multiplied by this factor
Adjustable Delay Length	bit		-Pattern Length		+Pattern Length	With a 1 bit step



Direct Output AWG

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Impedance	Ohm			50		
Voltage Window Minimum	mV		205		215	Single-ended. Includes the output offset from internal biasing
Voltage Window Maximum	mV		740		790	Single-ended. Includes the output offset from internal biasing
Adjustable Full-Scale Amplitude Minimum	mV			210		Single-ended, Peak-to-Peak
Adjustable Full-Scale Amplitude Maximum	mV			750		Single-ended, Peak-to-Peak
Full-Scale Amplitude Step	mV			5		
Full-Scale Amplitude Accuracy				±(50mV ±10%)		
Random Jitter RMS	ps	J _{RMS}		4		Measured with PRBS 7, sample clock for trigger.
Rise/Fall Time	ps	t _r /t _f		110		0.7 V, 1.425 GHz square signal, from 20 % to 80 %
3 dB Bandwidth	MHz		1400			Not compensated for the sin(x)/x DAC response.
Calculated Bandwidth	MHz			2000		$\frac{0.223}{t_r}$
SFDR <i>Spurious Free Dynamic Range</i>	dBc			-81		32 Samples sine wave (89.0625 MHz), 0.63 V _{pp} signal. Harmonics excluded; 40 dB interpolation filter enabled.
Two-Tone IMD <i>Inter Modulation Distortion</i>	dBc			-56		f ₁ = 19.9 MHz f ₂ = 20.1 MHz; 630 mV _{pp} ; 2f ₂ -f ₁
Harmonic Distortion	%			0.7		101.7857 MHz Output, 630 mV _{pp} ; 5 first harmonics.

Direct output: Differential or Single-ended output (Unused output must be terminated with a 50 Ω load), DC-coupled.

All the SHF 19120 C AWG outputs are unfiltered, to give the user the most versatile bandwidth. Depending on the application, an external low or high pass filter is recommended.



DC Output AWG

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Impedance	Ohm			50		
Voltage Window Minimum	mV		-200			The signal will be clipped outside the voltage window
Voltage Window Maximum	mV				1200	The signal will be clipped outside the voltage window
Adjustable Full-Scale Amplitude Minimum	mV			330		Single-ended, Peak-to-Peak
Adjustable Full-Scale Amplitude Maximum	mV			1300		Single-ended, Peak-to-Peak
Full-Scale Amplitude Step	mV			5		
Full-Scale Amplitude Accuracy				$\pm(50\text{mV} \pm 10\%)$		
Adjustable Offset	mV		150		650	Limited by the output voltage window
Offset Step	mV			5		
Offset Accuracy	mV			± 50		
Random Jitter RMS	ps	J_{RMS}		6		Measured with PRBS 7, 0.7 V _{pp} , sample clock for trigger.
Rise/Fall Time	ps	t_r/t_f		120		Measured with PRBS 7, 1 V _{pp} , sample clock for trigger, from 20 % to 80 %
3 dB Bandwidth (from DC)	MHz		1400			Not compensated for the $\sin(x)/x$ DAC response.
Calculated Bandwidth	MHz			1850		$\frac{0.223}{t_r}$
Bandwidth Ripple (0 – 1400 MHz)	dB			1		
SFDR <i>Spurious Free Dynamic Range</i>	dBc			-71		32 Samples sine wave (89.0625 MHz); 1 V _{pp} with 0.6 V offset signal; harmonics and f_{DAC} excluded, 40 dB interpolation filter enabled.
Two-Tone IMD <i>Inter Modulation Distortion</i>	dBc			-56		$f_1 = 19.9 \text{ MHz}$ $f_2 = 20.1 \text{ MHz}$; 700 mV _{pp} ; $2f_2 - f_1$
Harmonic Distortion	%			0.2		101.7857 MHz Output, 630 mV _{pp} ; 5 first harmonics.

DC output: Differential or Single-ended output (Unused output must be terminated with a 50 Ω load), DC-coupled

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AC Output AWG

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Impedance	Ohm			50		
Adjustable Full Scale Amplitude Minimum	dBm				-27	
Adjustable Full Scale Amplitude Maximum	dBm		10		14	
Adjustable Amplitude Step	dB			0.1		
Accuracy	dBm			0.2	0.4	
Adjustable Bias	V		0		4.5	Integrated bias tee
Adjustable Bias Step	mV			50		
Offset Accuracy	mV			±50	±100	
Bias Output Current	mA				150	
Single Interpolation mode						
3 dB Bandwidth (Starting at 20 MHz)	MHz		500			Not compensated for the sin(x)/x DAC response.
6 dB Bandwidth (Starting at 20 MHz)	MHz		1400			Not compensated for the sin(x)/x DAC response.
SFDR <i>Spurious Free Dynamic Range</i>	dBc			-71		32 Samples sine wave (89.0625 MHz) 0 dB Output, harmonics and f_{DAC} excluded, 40 dB interpolation filter enabled. DC to f_{DAC} .
Two-Tone IMD <i>Inter Modulation Distortion</i>	dBc			-55		$f_1=99.45$ MHz $f_2=100.45$ MHz; 0 dBm output; $f_{DAC}=2.12$ GHz; $2f_2-f_1$
Harmonic distortion	%			0.4		101.7857 MHz Output, 0 dBm output 5 first harmonics.
Double Interpolation mode						
SFDR <i>Spurious Free Dynamic Range</i>	dBc			-55		30 Sample sine wave, -10 dBm Output, harmonics excluded DC to f_{DAC} .
Two-Tone IMD <i>Inter Modulation Distortion</i>	dBc			-63		$f_1=2.28001$ GHz $f_2=2.2857$ GHz; 0 dBm output; $f_{DAC}=2.85$ GHz; $2f_2-f_1$

AC output: Single-ended output, AC coupled, with adjustable offset.

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Markers – Two Marker Outputs- Front Panel

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Amplitude	V		2	2.5	3	LVC MOS25, DC coupled
Impedance	Ohm			50		Match to 50 Ohms for best signal.
Resolution	Sample			2*		Sample synchronous.
Width	Sample		1		1G	A single marker will be automatically extended to a width of 1 ns by the SHF Control Center.
Maximum Repeatability	Sa			3		Each marker must have a dead time of 3 samples before the next marker.
Maximum Frequency	MHz			700		With $f_{DAC} = 2.85 \text{ GSa/s}$.
Jitter peak-peak	ps			100		Direct output, 32-sample Dirac signal for trigger. 3-sample marker, output 1.
Adjustable Delay	Sample Clock periods		0		254	
Adjustable Delay Step	Sample Clock periods			2		

*2 samples position uncertainty when generating a repeating signal with an odd sample count period and a marker on each period. The SHF Control Center will issue a warning when this situation happens.

Triggers – Two Trigger Inputs – Front Panel

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Type	Rising edge, falling edge, gated high, gated low.					
Adjustable Threshold Low	V	V_{IL}		1.2		Measured on a 50 Ω system.
Adjustable Threshold High	V	V_{IH}		4		Measured on a 50 Ω system.
Adjustable Threshold Step	mV			100		Measured on a 50 Ω system.
Adjustable Threshold Accuracy	mV			100		Measured on a 50 Ω system.
Delay	ns			$250 + 200 * S_a$		From Trigger in to Signal present on output. $X \text{ ns} + Y * \text{Sample Period}$
Pulse Width	ns		250			
Pulse Frequency in Start/Pause Mode	MHz				2	
Dwell time in Restart Mode	μs		4		5	
Trigger Jitter peak-peak	ns			$15 + 10 * S_a$		$X \text{ ns} + Y * \text{Sample Period}$
Adjustable Delay	Sample Clock periods		0		510	
Adjustable Delay Step	Sample Clock periods			2		



Internal Reference

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Frequency	MHz			10		
Accuracy	ppm		-1		1	Over the operational range.
Stability	ppb			280		Over the operational range.
Output Level	V		0.5	0.6	1	External, back panel.
Output Impedance	Ohms			50		

External Reference Input

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Frequency	MHz			10		
Level	V		0.5		3.3	Peak-to-Peak.
Impedance	Ohms			50		

Sample Clock

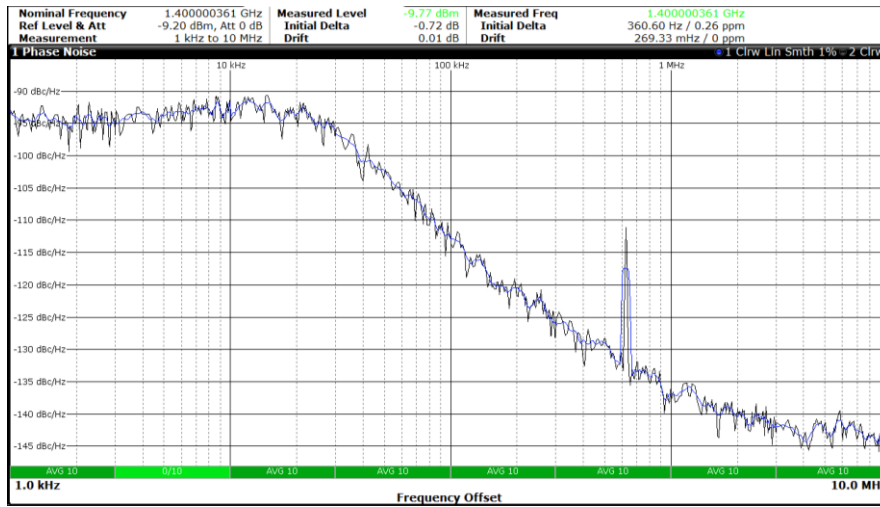
Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Frequency	GHz		1.4		2.85	
Output Level	dBm			0		Rear panel, Peak-to-Peak.
Output Impedance	Ohms			50		

Sample Sequencer

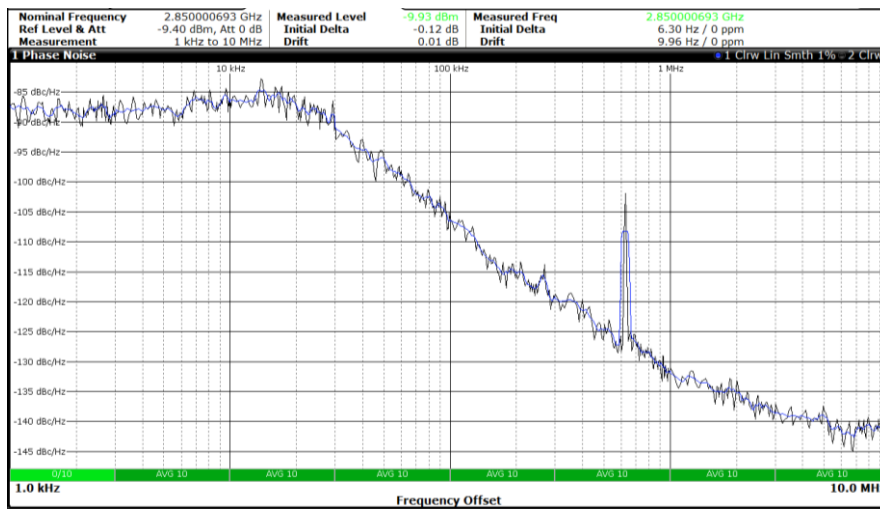
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Sample Granularity	Sample		1024		1G	
Sample Length			1024		1G	
Segments			1			
Loops			1			
Sample Memory	GSa				1	1 Sample = 14 bits + 2 Markers.



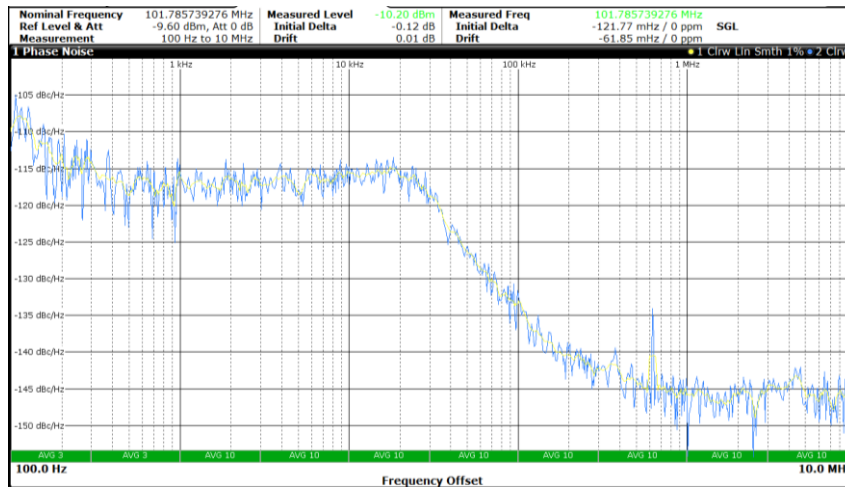
Plots of Phase Noise



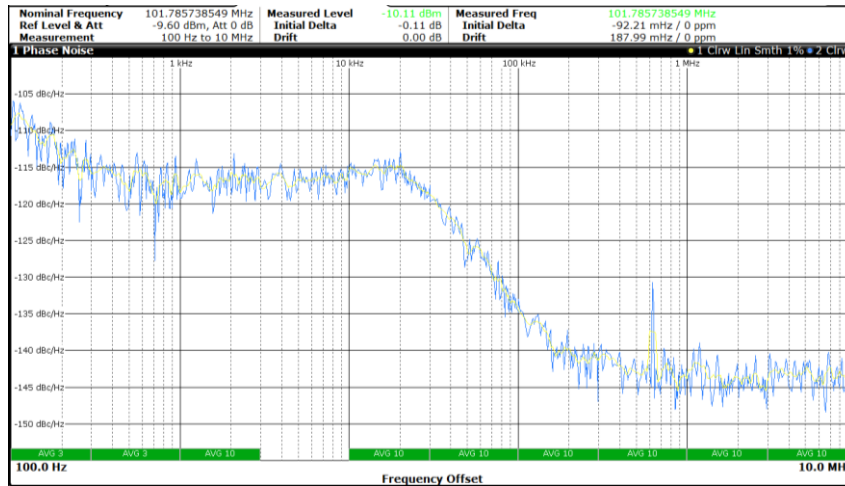
DAC Clock SMA Output, $f_{DAC}=1.4$ GHz, 10 dB attenuator.



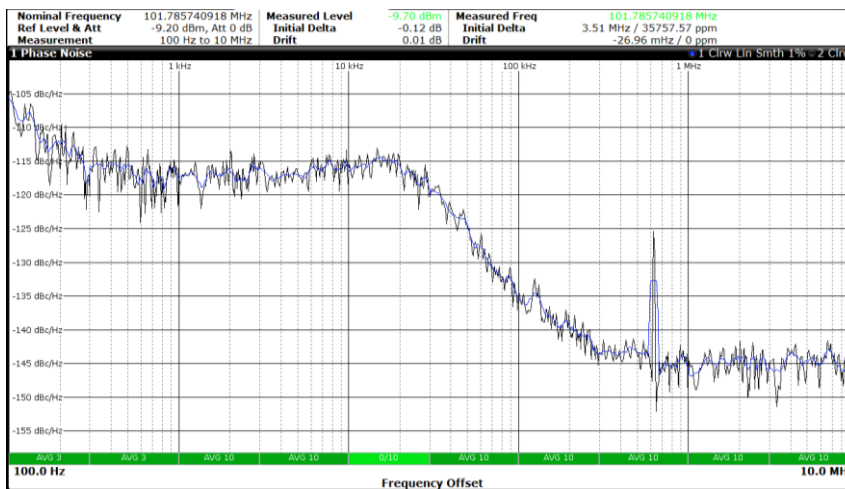
DAC Clock SMA Output, $f_{DAC}=2.85$ GHz, 10 dB attenuator.



Direct non inverting output. 28-sample sine wave (101.79 MHz), 0 dB output, 10 dB attenuator.



DC non inverting output. 28-sample sine wave (101.79 MHz), 0 dB output, 10 dB attenuator.



AC output. 28-sample sine wave (101.79 MHz), 0 dB output, 10 dB attenuator.



Bit Pattern Generator Outputs

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Impedance	Ω			50		AC coupled
Output Amplitude Minimum	mV				270	Single Ended, Peak-to-Peak, at 5 Gbps
Output Amplitude Maximum	mV		500	580	750	Single Ended, Peak-to-Peak, at 5 Gbps
Output Level Steps				15		
Pre-emphasis: Precursor	dB		0		6.02	20 steps
Pre-emphasis: Postcursor	dB		0		12.96	31 steps
Jitter RMS	ps			3	4	At 10.3125 Gbps, PRBS 31, SQUARE32 for trigger.
Rise/Fall Time	ps			55		At 10.3125 Gbps, PRBS 31, SQUARE32 for trigger, from 20 % to 80 %.
Crossing	%		45	50	55	At 10.3125 Gbps.
Duty Cycle	%			50		At 10.3125 Gbps.
Inter-Channel Skew	ps			40		At 10.3125 Gbps.
Output pattern	ITU-T (CCITT) conform PRBS patterns at a length of: $2^7-1, 2^9-1, 2^{10}-1, 2^{11}-1, 2^{13}-1, 2^{15}-1, 2^{20}-1, 2^{23}-1, 2^{31}-1$ Additional SQUARE2 and SQUARE32 0-1 patterns: line rate divided by 2 and 32. 4 Gb of user pattern per channel.					
Bit Rate Ranges	Gbps					See Ranges for the Bit Rate, p 15
Bitrate resolution	Kbps			100		
Wordframe Trigger Division			32		$2^{31}-1$	Of internal clock cycles. 32 means 32 x (pattern length). Uses the AWG Marker output.
Wordframe Trigger Level	V		2.1	2.5		LVCOS25, DC coupled
Wordframe Jitter	ps			500		Peak-to-Peak
PRBS Ext. Clock Input Level	dBm		-5		10	50 Ω, AC coupled
PRBS Ext. Clock Input Frequency	MHz		60		2800	Using the internal multiplier

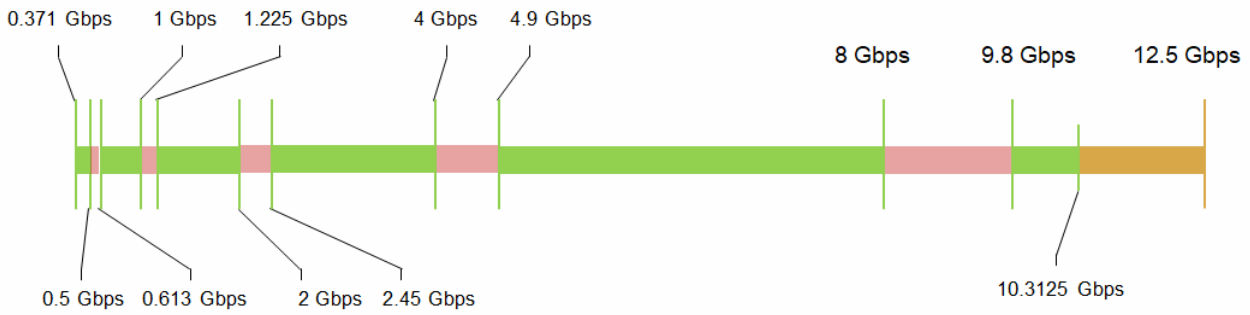
BPG User Pattern

Parameter	Unit	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Comment
Bit Rate Maximum	Gbps		10.3125	11		
Granularity	bits		64			Per channel. The channels must have the same pattern length.
Length			64		4G	Per channel. The channels must have the same pattern length.
Segments			1			
Loops			1			
Memory	Gb				4	Per channel

*Enabling the BPG user pattern disables the AWG function.



Ranges for the Bit Rate



	From [Gbps]	To [Gbps]
Range 1	0.372	0.5
Range 2	0.613	1
Range 3	1.225	2
Range 4	2.45	4
Range 5	4.9	8
Range 6 (internal clock)	9.8	10.3125
Range 6 (external clock) ¹	9.8	12.5

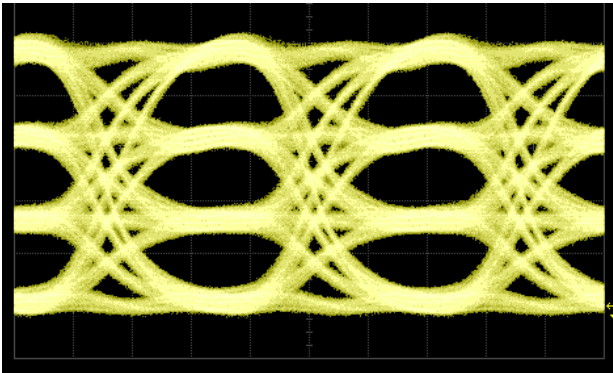
Pattern Types for the Pseudo Random Binary Sequence

Name	Polynomial	Length
PRBS2 ⁷ -1	$1 + X^6 + X^7$	2 ⁷ - 1 bit
PRBS2 ⁹ -1	$1 + X^9 + X^5$	2 ⁹ - 1 bit
PRBS2 ¹⁰ -1	$1 + X^{10} + X^7$	2 ¹⁰ - 1 bit
PRBS2 ¹¹ -1	$1 + X^{11} + X^9$	2 ¹¹ - 1 bit
PRBS2 ¹³ -1	$1 + X^2 + X^{12} + X^{13}$	2 ¹³ - 1 bit
PRBS2 ¹⁵ -1	$1 + X^{14} + X^{15}$	2 ¹⁵ - 1 bit
PRBS2 ²⁰ -1	$1 + X^{17} + X^{20}$	2 ²⁰ - 1 bit
PRBS2 ²³ -1	$1 + X^{18} + X^{23}$	2 ²³ - 1 bit
PRBS2 ³¹ -1	$1 + X^{28} + X^{31}$	2 ³¹ - 1 bit

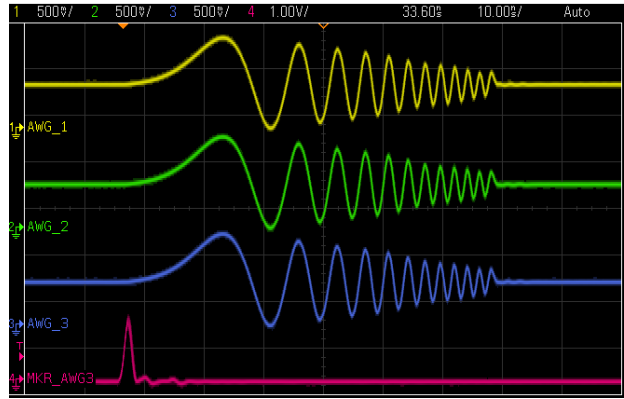
¹ Above 10.3125 Gbps user pattern will not be available



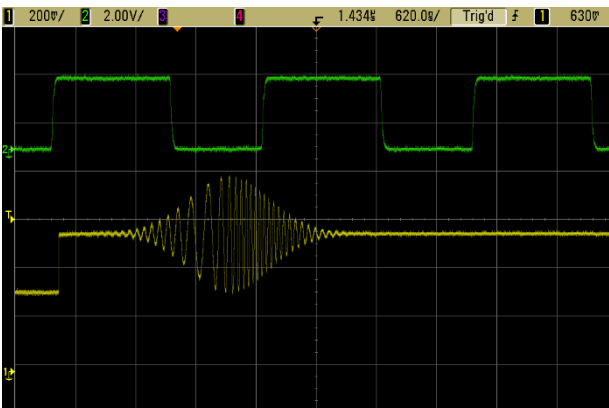
Typical Output Waveforms (AWG)



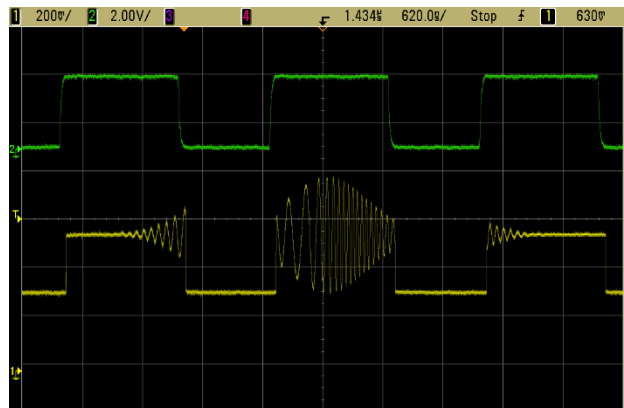
2.85 GSa/s PAM-4 signal, DC Output
(200 mV/div; 100 ps/div)



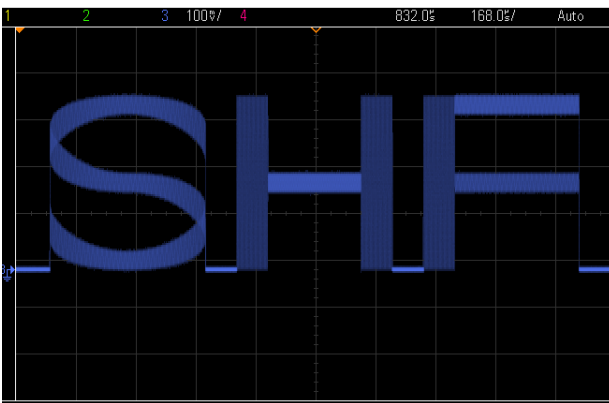
Frequency and phase synchronization of three SHF 19120 C



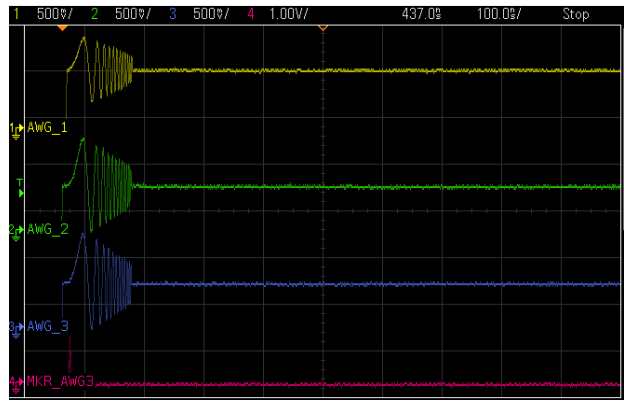
Edge-triggered signal generation.



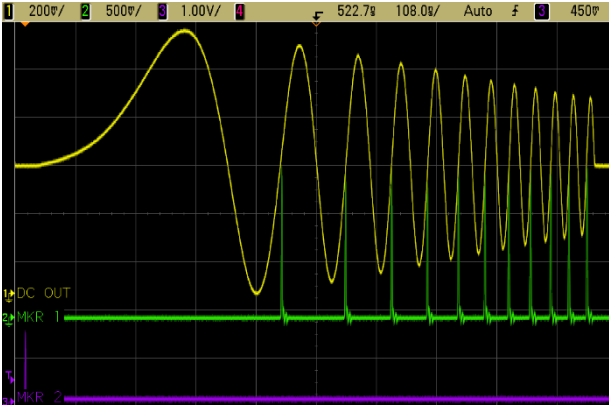
Level-gated trigger signal generation.



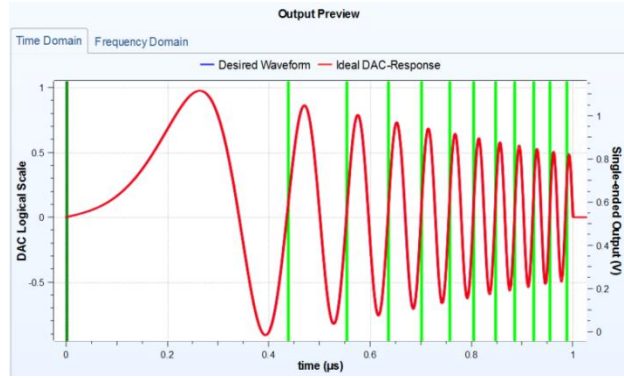
“SHF” writing



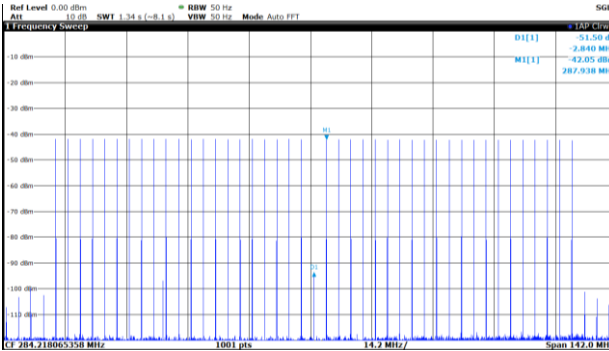
Burst mode of three synchronized SHF 19120 C



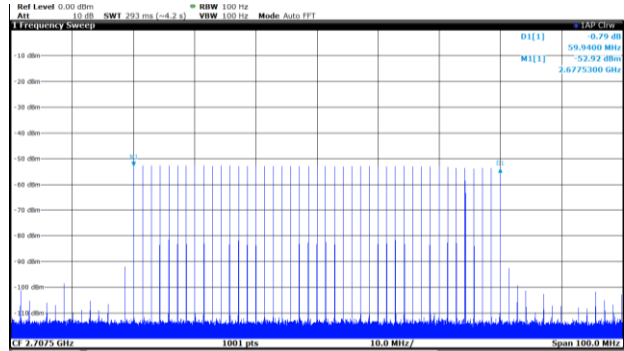
Signal with markers: marker output 1 for each rising part of signal, marker output 2 for the signal start.



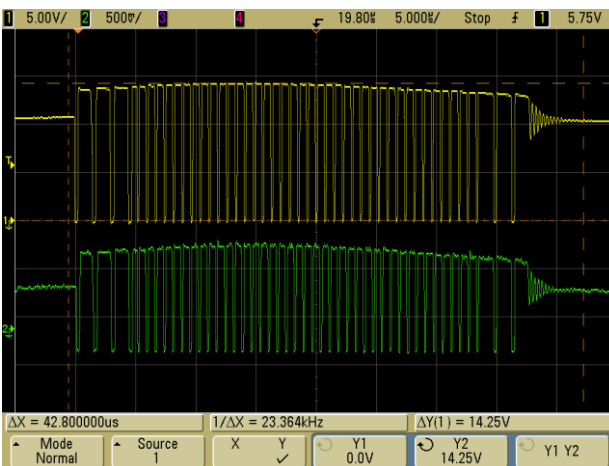
Screenshot from the SHF Control Center preview of the signal shown on the left.



Multiple-Carrier Signal Noise-Power Ratio, AC Output, 0 dBm, 10 dB ext. att.



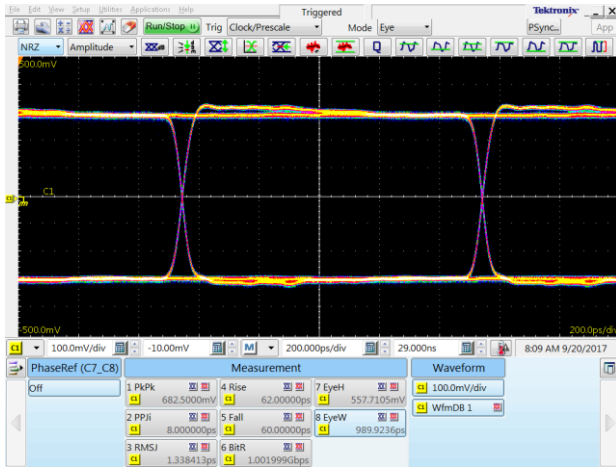
Multiple Carriers in Double Interpolation Mode, AC Output, 0 dBm, 10 dB ext. att.



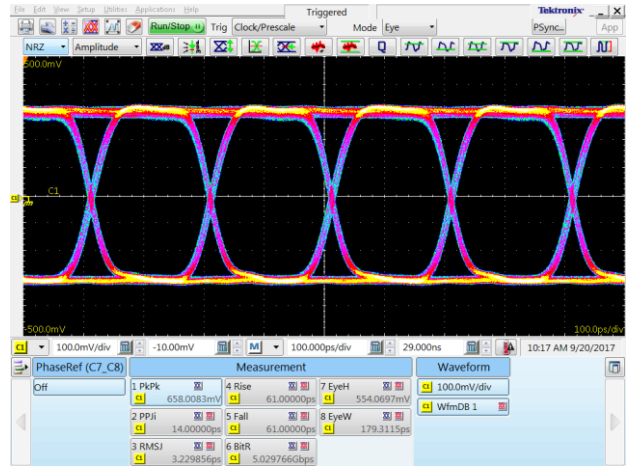
Original (yellow) and AWG waveform (green) after import. Inductor voltage of a Ćuk converter.



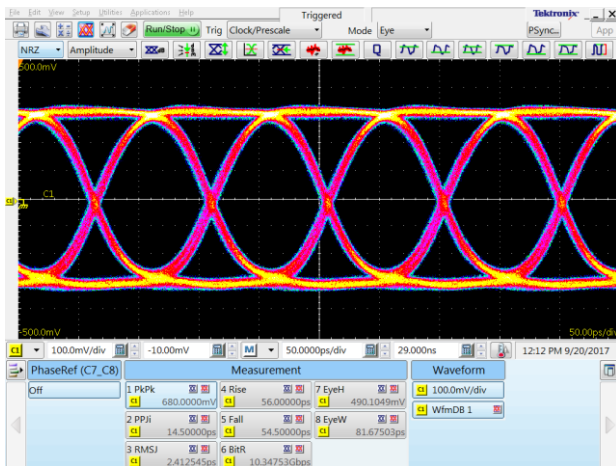
Typical Output Waveforms (BPG)



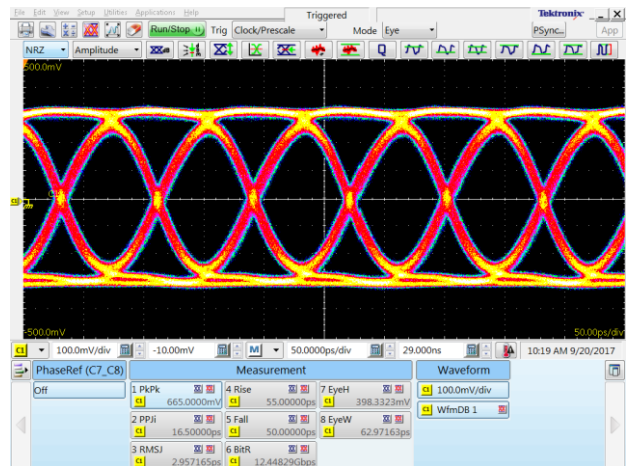
1 Gbps PRBS 2³¹-1



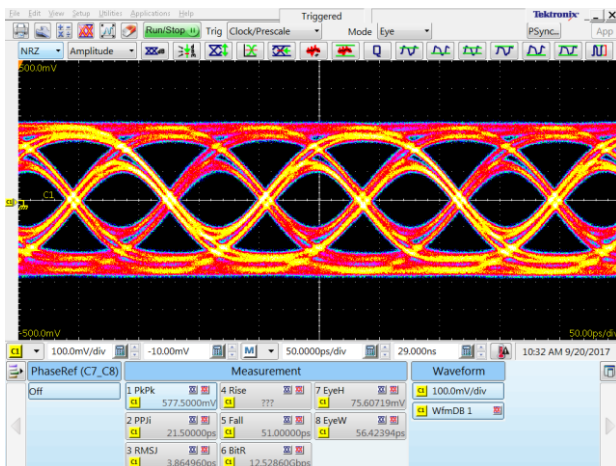
5 Gbps PRBS 2³¹-1



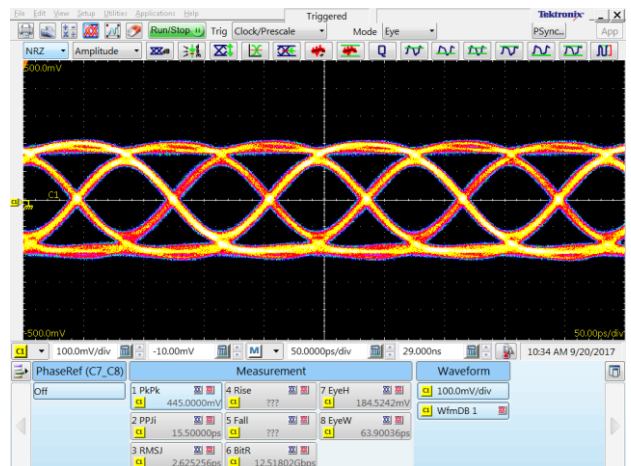
10.3125 Gbps PRBS 2³¹-1



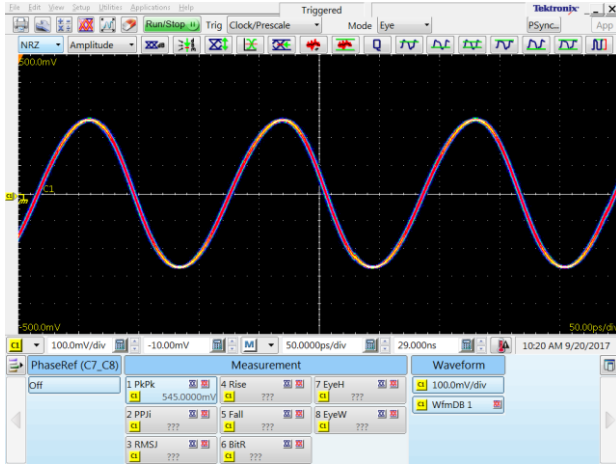
12.5 Gbps PRBS 2³¹-1



12.5 Gbps PRBS 2³¹-1 with a 3 meter cable
POST cursor = 0 dB PRE cursor = 0 dB



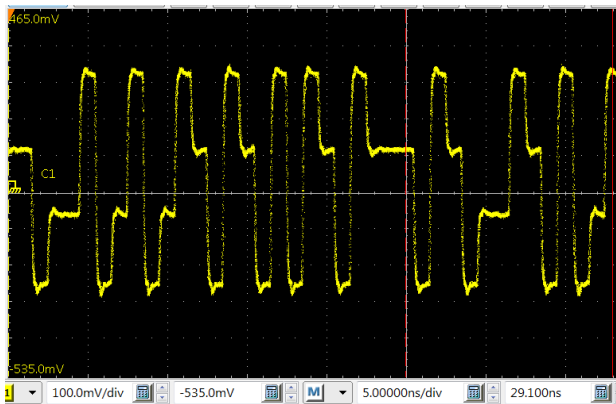
12.5 Gbps PRBS 2³¹-1 with a 3 meter cable and emphasis enabled
POST cursor = 1.94 dB PRE cursor = 2.5 dB



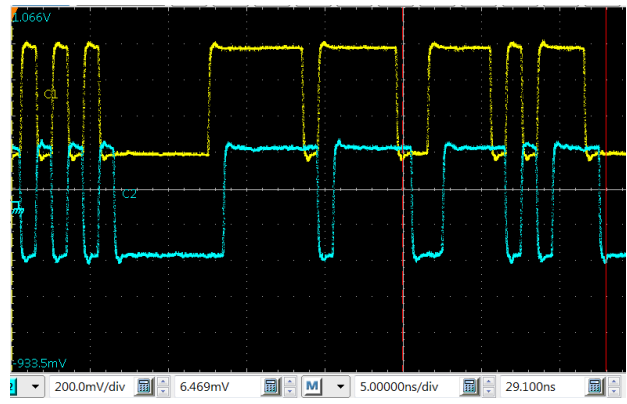
12.5 Gbps SQUARE 2 pattern



Pre-emphasis: precursor, max. val. (1 Gbps, PRBS 2⁷-1)



Pre-emphasis: postcursor, max. val. (1 Gbps, PRBS 2⁷-1)

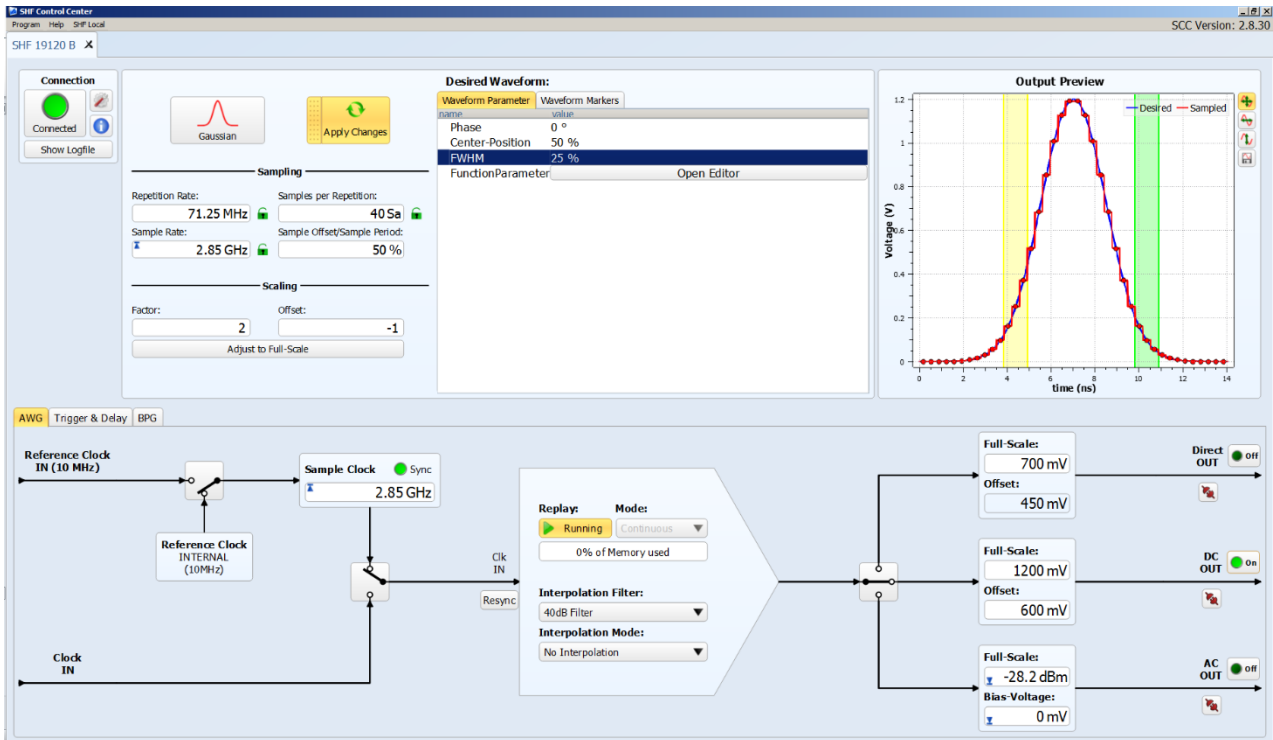


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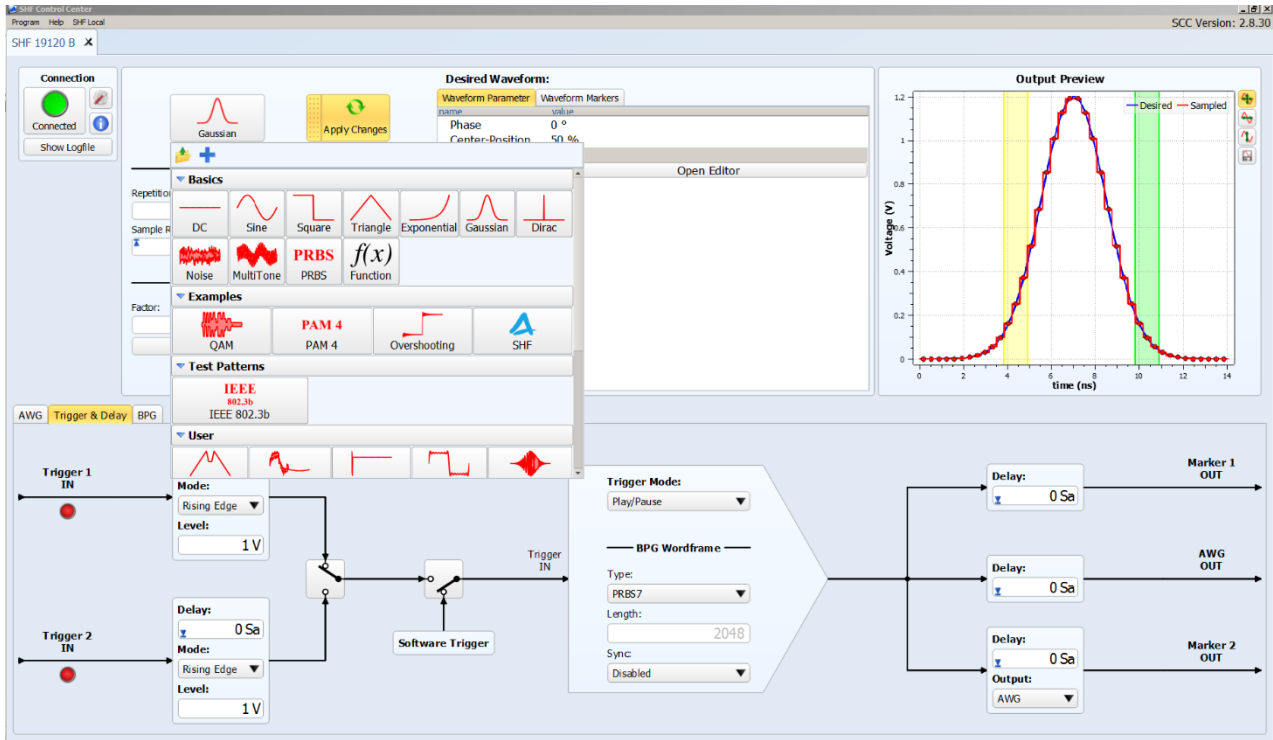


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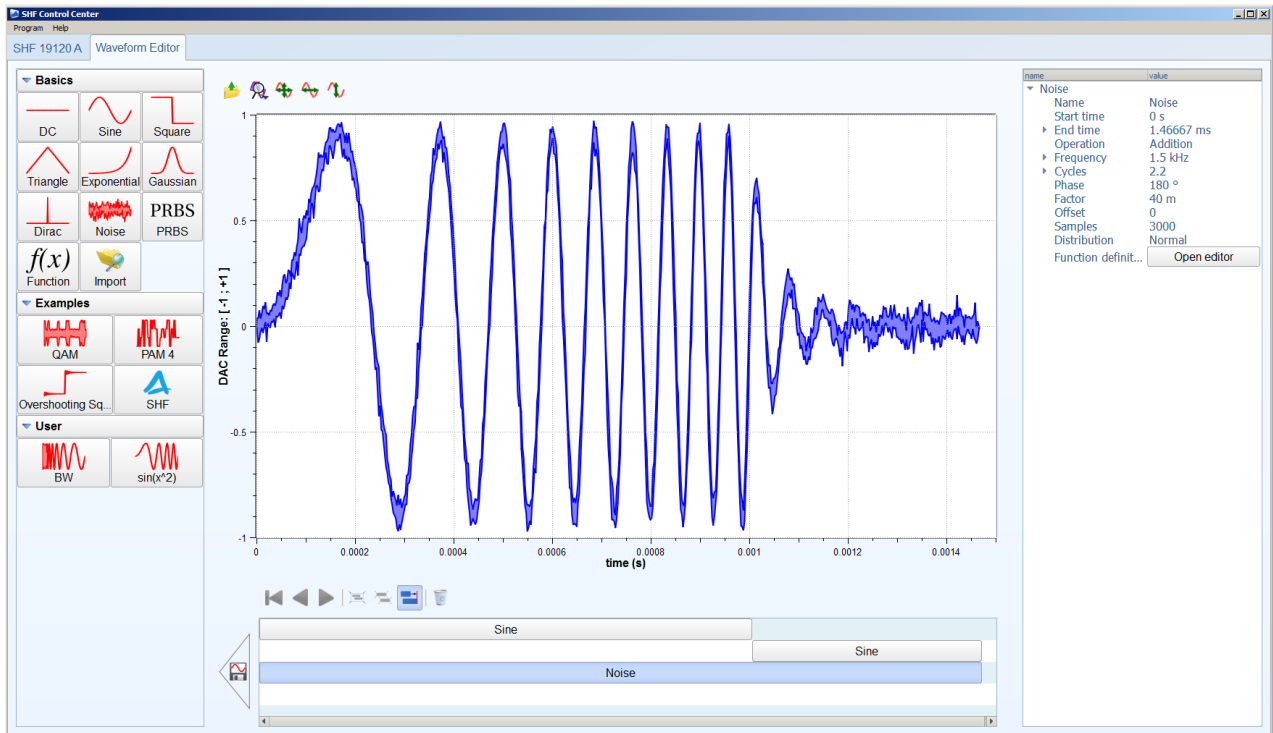
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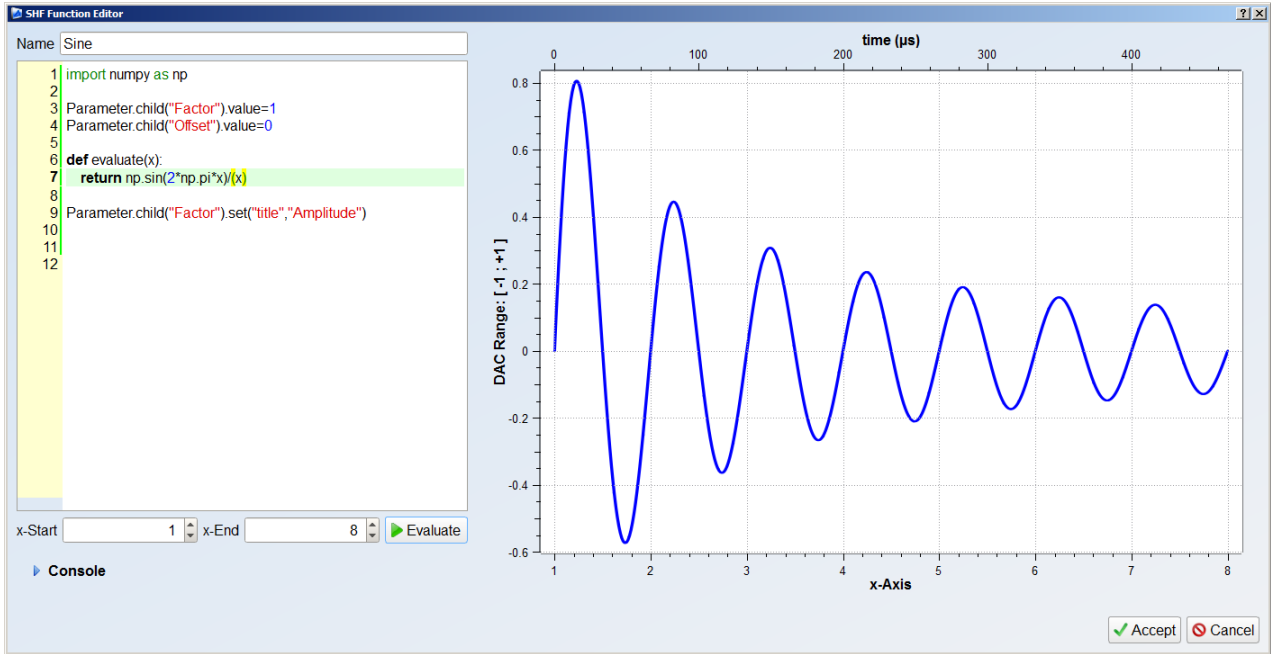
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SHF Control Center Software: Trigger Settings and Waveform Library pop-up



SHF Control Center Software: Waveform Editor



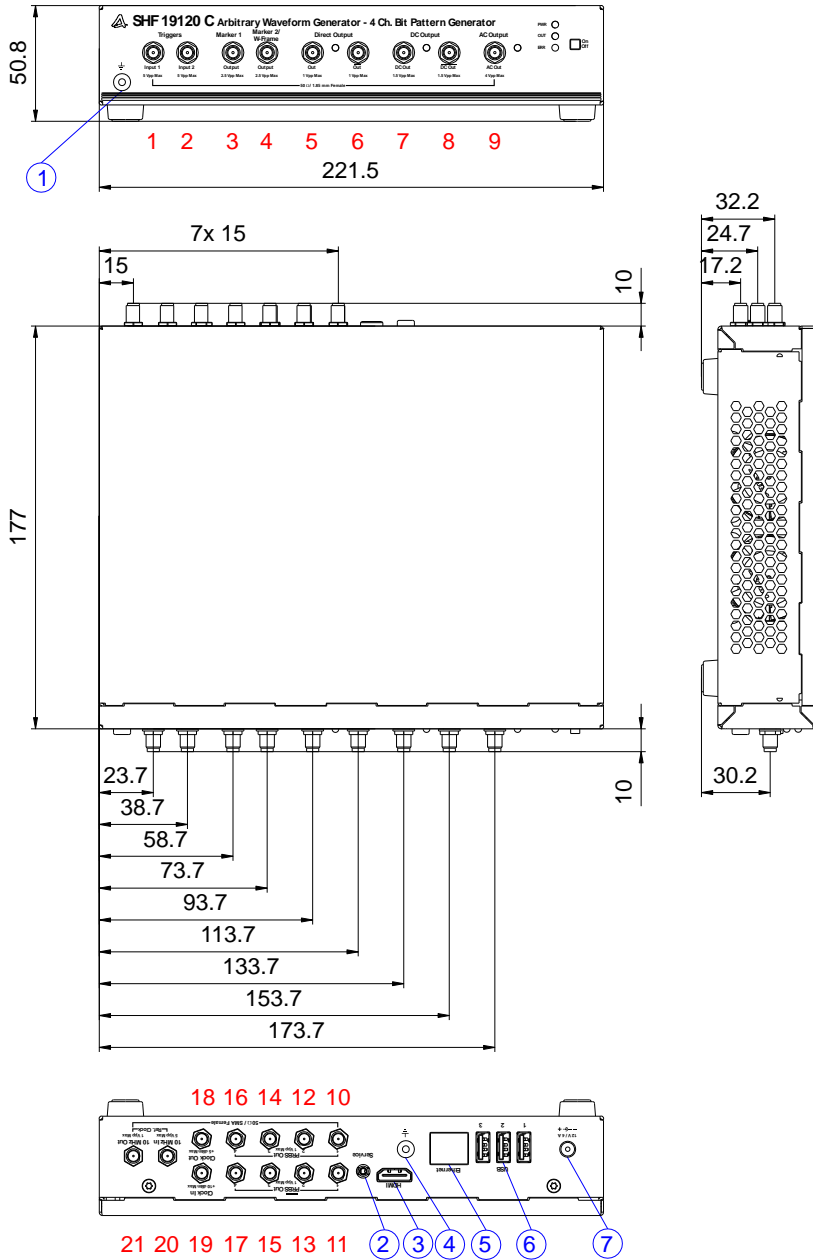
SHF Control Center Software: Python Equation Editor

	Channel 0	Channel 1	Channel 2	Channel 3
Bitrate	6.000 Gbps	6.000 Gbps	6.000 Gbps	6.000 Gbps
Type	PRBS 2^7-1	PRBS $2^{23}-1$	PRBS $2^{31}-1$	SQUARE2
Polarity	Non-Inverted	Non-Inverted	Non-Inverted	Non-Inverted
Delay	0 Bits	16 Bits	0 Bits	0 Bits
Amplitude	720 mV	720 mV	720 mV	720 mV
Pre-emphasis: Precursor	0 dB	0 dB	0 dB	0 dB
Pre-emphasis: Postcursor	0 dB	0 dB	0 dB	0 dB
Output	On <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	On <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	On <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	On <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

SHF Control Center Software: Detail of the Bit Pattern Generator Controls



Mechanical Drawing



Pos	Designation	Connector
1	Trigger Input 1	SMA
2	Trigger Input 2	SMA
3	Marker Output 1	SMA
4	Marker Output 2 / Word Frame Out	SMA
5	Direct Output Out	SMA
6	Direct Output Out	SMA
7	DC Output DC Out	SMA
8	DC Output DC Out	SMA
9	AC Output AC Out	SMA
10	PRBS 1	SMA
11	PRBS 1	SMA
12	PRBS 2	SMA
13	PRBS 2	SMA
14	PRBS 3	SMA
15	PRBS 3	SMA
16	PRBS 4	SMA
17	PRBS 4	SMA
18	Clock Out	SMA
19	Clock In	SMA
20	10MHz In	SMA
21	10MHz Out	SMA

Pos	Designation
1	GND
2	Service
3	HDMI
4	GND
5	Ethernet
6	USB
7	Power In

All dimensions are specified in millimeters (mm).



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