

SPS/SPF Model AO Controller Specification



The SP Model AO Controllers are high performance RF frequency synthesizers incorporated into a self-contained case with AC power supply. A modular cable with a DB9 connector interface allows frequency control via the Personal Computer USB port (Serial RS232 optional). Using simple commands with any terminal (modem) program (such as ProComm) allows the user to set any frequency from the computer keyboard. In addition, included with the unit is a frequency control program that can be used with any IBM PC computer.

Driver Model #	VFI-XX-YY-SPS-A-C3	VFI-XX-YY-SPF-A-C3
Frequency Range	Matching the AOTF requirements.	
Frequency Step Size	4 Hz	10 Hz
Frequency Stability	0.010% absolute (100 PPM); +15°C to +75°C	0.015%; +15°C to +75°C
Frequency Switching Speed	15 ms typ. (from f_{min} to f_{max})	8 ns
Minimum Duration of Each Step	N/A	32 ns for sweeping mode 1 ms for hopping mode (for <300 hops) 15 ms for hopping mode (>300 hops)
Power Output	Optimized for maximum performance of the AOTF device.	
Power Control	N/A	12 bit attenuator with 25 dB range (min.)
Modulation	None (TTL or Analog Optional)	
Enclosure	The unit will be packaged in a 190 mm (7.5 inch) wide by 100 mm (4 inch) high by 220 mm (8.75 inch) deep instrument case. The rear panel heat sink increases the depth to 270 mm (10.5 inches) maximum. The size is exclusive of connectors. A detachable AC line cord and RF cable are provided.	
Environmental	Nominal Laboratory Conditions: The maximum temperature is $+35^{\circ}$ C. The unit is not sealed against moisture or condensing humidity.	
Output Impedance	50 ohms	
Output Connectors	SMA jack on front panel	