





Space Timing Products
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#### **Agenda**



- Space Qualified Oscillators & Clocks
- Frequency & Timing Division
- New Product: Chip Scale Atomic Clock for Space
- Space Qualified Crystal Oscillators
- Oscillator subsystems & atomic clocks for space
- Summary



### **Complete Timing (I)**



	Market Position & Products						
ZARLINK SEMICONDUCTOR	#1 supplier of IEEE1588, SyncE & GNSS network synchronization <b>PLL IC</b> and <b>software</b> Timing since 1992						
maxim integrated Comms Timing & Sync	Supplier of low phase noise/jitter <b>PLL IC</b> Clock synthesis, rate conversion, jitter attenuation and fan-out buffers						
	Oscillators (TCXO), Timers	ClockWorks					
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PLL PhaseLink	Oscillator Die, Clock Generators (Normal, PCle, VCXO), Clock Conditioning, Buffers (Zero Delay)	1 affects					
SYNERGY SEINC ONDUCTOR	Clock Synthesizers, Buffers (PCIe), Multiplexers & Cross Point Switches, Logic Translators, Skew Management						
<b>Vectron</b> a Knowles company	Timing since 1938 XO, VCXO, VCSO TCXO, OCXO - SAW & BAW technology GPS Disciplined <b>Oscillators</b>	101-1017 how 26-004 5-7 32-6					
Symmetricom	Precision Crystal (OCXO, TCXO) Embedded Atomic Clocks (CSAC, MAC) GPS Disciplined Oscillators	THE Name Account Clock of Children					
VITESSE	Leader in high-precision IEEE1588 timestamping and SyncE <b>PHY IC</b> . Full support for precise MACSec	VERITIME (					
<b>Actel</b> °	Integrated Time Synchronization Module for IEEE1588 and SyncE SmartFusion2 SoC/FPGA IC complete software solution & reference design	2					



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### **Complete Timing (II)**



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Α	XPRO	SA.35	SA.45s	OX-208	EX-421	TX-503	VT-803	MXT57	VC-840	DSC6100
+3	338.4	45	17	13.3	1.521	506E-3	23E-3	15E-3	4E-3	2E-3

Model Number	MHM 2010	5071A	XPRO	SA.35	SA.45s	OX-208	EX-421	TX-503	VT-803	MXT57	VC-840	DSC6100
Dimensions (cc)	500E+3	20E+3	338.4	45	17	13.3	1.521	506E-3	23E-3	15E-3	4E-3	2E-3
Temperature stability ( 0 to 50 °C)	1E-14	1E-13	3E-10	7E-11	5E-10	4E-10	1E-08	2E-08	1E-07	2E-06	1E-05	1E-05
Aging per month	6E-15	0	1E-11	1E-10	1E-09	1E-09	1E-08	1E-07	5E-08	1E-07	5E-07	5E-07
Aging per day	2E-16	0	1E-12	3E-11	1E-10	6E-11	1E-09	1E-08	5E-09	1E-08	5E-08	5E-08
24 hour holdover(s)	1E-10	5E-09	1E-07	1E-06	4E-06	3E-06	4E-05	4E-04	2E-04		2E-03	2E-03
ADEV 1s	8E-14	5E-12	1E-11	3E-11	3E-10	5E-12	2E-11	5E-11	1E-10		1E-09	1E-07
ADEV 10000s	2E-15	1E-13	1E-12	6E-12	5E-12	5E-11	1E-09	1E-09	5E-09		1E-07	1E-06
Phasenoise 10 Hz (dBc/Hz)	-150	-130	-90	-70	-70	-125	-95	-93	-91	-76	-70	-40
Phasenoise 100 kHz (dBc/Hz)	-160	-154	-155	-140	-140	-145	-165	-156	-157	-143	-150	-120
Power (W)	68.2	45	13	5	0.12	1.5	0.25	4E-02	5.0E-03	3E-03	4.5E-03	5.0E-03
Costs	\$\$\$,\$\$\$	\$\$,\$\$\$	\$,\$\$\$	\$,\$\$\$	\$,\$\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$	\$	\$	¢¢	¢¢



#### Frequency & Timing Div.



#### Synchronization Systems

- Frequency & Time Distribution Systems
- 1588 Grand Masters
- NTP Servers
- GPS Instruments
- Custom and Configurable systems (Gov't Systems)
- Software
- Contract Support services
- Engineering & Installation Services



#### **Clocks**

- Chip Scale Atomic Clock (CSAC)
- Rubidium Clocks
- Cesium Clocks
- Hydrogen Masers
- Space Qualified and Military Oscillators









#### Markets

 Communications, Defense, Space, Infrastructure, Datacenters

#### **Customers**

 Critical Infrastructure (Utilities, Rail, Public Safety, Telecom Operators), Satcom, System Integrators/NEMs, Defense prime contractors and Government agencies, Geophysical survey operators, Datacenters, Enterprise IT, Test & Measurement, Medical, Energy

#### **Applications**

- Precise timing and frequency references
- Holdover for GPS vulnerability

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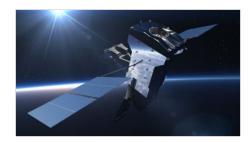


# Space Qualified MICROCHIP Oscillators & Clocks



- 70+ Cesium atomic clocks and 800+ crystal oscillators for space
- Key programs such as GPS, SBIRS, multiple NASA missions
- Strong technical skills in quartz oscillators, ruggedized atomic clocks, frequency, and time sub-systems
- 9600/9700/9800 models offer an unsurpassed combination of small size, low power, and performance
- 9500 models provide the world's best performance for frequency stability and phase noise
- Our oscillators are designed for use in multiple satellite applications Spaceborne GPS receivers Down and up Converters Synthesizers Transponders Navigation Board calculator







# **Space Capabilities**



- Design and manufacture high-performance space VCXOs, and OCXOs
- We specialize in providing precise time and frequency solutions for customers with the most demanding performance requirements
- Separate manufacturing capability focused on additional environmental controls, hi-reliability materials control, and enhanced process tolerances
- Stock of standard Class S and Class B electronic components
- Well established source of supplies for critical components such as hybrids and crystals
- In-house 100% sampling of all parts for prohibited materials such as pure tin
- Certified J-STD space addendum soldering instructors on staff
- 6 Thermal Vacuum Chambers
- 2 Vibration tables and Shock system









# Space Qualified Crystal Oscillators



Туре	Family	Image	Output Frequency	STS @10s	Phase Noise @100 Hz	Aging (per year)	Volume (WxLxH)	Weight	Steady State Power
OCXO	9600		4 MHz - 60MHz	<5.0E-12	<-145 dBc/Hz	<4.0E-8	1.33" x 1.33" x 1.33"	<100 g	<1.3 W (in vacuum)
	9700			<2.0E-12	<-150 dBc/Hz	<1.5E-8			
	9800B		40 MHz -125 MHz	<1.0E-11	<-135 dBc/Hz	<2.0E-7			
	9500B		4 MHz -100 MHz	<3.0E-13	<-155 dBc/Hz	<1.0E-8	8.95" x 3.87" x 3.27"	<2382 g	<2.9 W (in vacuum)



# 9600 / 9700 (OCXO)



- Hybrid circuitry allows for greatest possible reduction in size without compromises in performance or reliability
- Features a SC-cut quartz resonator that enables excellent short term stability, phase noise, and aging characteristics
- Backed by an extensive space heritage (300+ delivered into space)
  - CloudSat, MESSENGER, Cosmo IV, LRO, DSAC, WorldView III, MUOS, STEREO, GPS Spaceborne receivers
- Can be customized in output frequency, warm-up time, g-sensitivity, and other characteristics.



**Connectorized Package** 



**PCB Mount Package** 

- High stability and low phase noise
- Allan Deviation of < 1 x 10<sup>-12</sup> 1-10 seconds typical for 5 MHz unit
- Phase Noise < -110 dBc/Hz @ 1</li>
   Hz typical for 5 MHz Unit
- 1.3 W @ 25 °C in thermal vacuum
- Frequency range of 1 MHz to 25 MHz
- Grade 1 or 2 EEE parts
- MTBF of six million hours
- 300+ oscillators delivered for space missions
- Volume of 2.25 in<sup>2</sup>
- 300 Krad (Si) hard and SEL immune



# 9800 (OCXO)



- Superior long term stability
  - Low frequency aging extends the period of time needed between synchronization, contributing to the simplification of system design
- Features a SC-cut quartz resonator that enables excellent short term stability, phase noise, and aging characteristics
- Strong space heritage
  - PAN, INTELSAT, EchoStar 21, CLIO
- Can be customized in output frequency, warm-up time, g-sensitivity, and other characteristics.
- All discrete components are manufactured and tested to Class S standards



9800 OCXO

- 40 MHz 200 MHz output frequency
- Low power consumption <1.3 W at 25°C in thermal vacuum
- Low phase noise: < -105 dBc / Hz at 10 Hz for 50 MHz
- Superior ADEV: < 5e<sup>-12</sup> at 1 second for 50 MHz
- Aging of less than 1PPM over 20 years
- MTBF of six million hours
- 300 Krad (Si) hard and SEL immune
- Fixed frequency



# 9500 USO (OCXO)



- USO: Ultra Stable Oscillator
- Best stability performance available in a commercial product
- Key programs
  - GPS III navigation payload master reference oscillator
  - SBIRS High master reference oscillator
  - Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter
  - EOS AM
  - Custom platform timing module
- Capability for digital frequency control using an FPGA
- Multiple output frequency
  - Suitable for space craft primary or secondary supplies
- Internal vibration and isolation system
- Environmentally rugged design



**9500B OCXO** 

- Temperature Stability < 3 x 10<sup>-12</sup>/ °C
- Frequency Stabilities < 1 x 10<sup>-13</sup> for τ=1-100 seconds
- Phase Noise <-145 dBc/10 Hz</li>
- <3.6 W @ 25 °C in thermal vacuum</li>
- Frequency range of 4 MHz to 100 MHz
- Grade 1 or 2 EEE parts
- MTBF of ten million hours
- Size: 8.95" x 3.87" x 3.27"
- 100 Krad (Si) hard and SEL immune

	ADEV - Typical Performance
T=1 second	1.1 x 10 <sup>-13</sup>
T=10 seconds	1.3 x 10 <sup>-13</sup>
T=100 seconds	1.5 x 10 <sup>-13</sup>



### Atomic Clocks and MICROCHIP Oscillator Subsystems



- 4410 Cesium Atomic Frequency Standard
  - **GPS block IIF**





- Sub-systems have been delivered that include:
  - Multiple and/or redundant oscillators
  - Power supplies
  - Frequency multipliers and synthesizers
  - Integrated thermal baseplate controllers for improved performance
- Mechanical Survivability
  - 3000 g's pyroshock
  - Greater than 20 grms



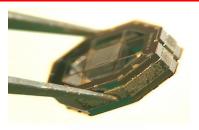


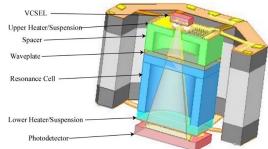


#### **CSAC**



- Chip Scale Atomic Clock (CSAC)
- 120 mW Atomic Clock with 16 cm<sup>3</sup> volume
- <1 ppb Frequency Accuracy, ± 5 x 10<sup>-10</sup> temperature stability
- < 3 x 10<sup>-10</sup> Allan Deviation at 1 second
- 1 PPS steering option, <50ns 1 Hr holdover</li>
- Extremely low sensitivity to acceleration
- Rugged physics package by design
- >1000g shock resistant
- Vacuum-packaged physics package to eliminate convection/conduction – 7000° C/W
- Entire physics package can operate on 15 mW









# **CSAC** Capabilities



- Manufacturing location, mid-volume, flow based manufacturing
- CSAC (Chip Scale Atomic Clock) Product Line
- Quality Management system Registered to ISO-9001:2008, and TL-9000 Standards
- Class 10K clean Room, CL 100 Bench
- Vacuum cleaning and processing
- Semi-automated precision micro assembly
- Soldering, bonding, wiring, PCBA, vacuum firing/cleaning, aging, thermal cycling, Cs cell processing & assembly, final test, inspection, system test

















## **Space CSAC**



- Space Chip Scale Atomic Clock (CSAC)
- Released in April 2018
- Identical performance to CSAC
- EAR-99 component (commercial no restrictions)
- Radiation Tolerance: 20Krad and no SEL to 64 MeVcm<sup>2</sup>/gm
- Optimal for LEO applications
- Radiation lot acceptance testing for commercial device susceptibility
- "New Space" type of product that leverage commercial state of the art technology
- Initial units flying on NASA missions results published
- Multiple customer orders including Harris Space



**Space CSAC** 





### **Space CSAC**



#### **Space CSAC**

- Shorter more frequent lower cost missions in LEO (<1,200mi, 2,000km)</li>
- Atomic Accuracy at Low SWaP
- Rad tolerant COTS parts
- Lot control / rad testing
- Parts in Stock, Short lead times
- Lower cost / cutting edge technology
- Medium risk / redundancy may be required

#### **Traditional Space Oscillator**

- Long Mission Duration (10+)
- 100 krad + radiation hardened
- Hermetic packaging
- Mature technology
- Limited suppler stock / build to order
- Longer lead times
- Higher component cost
- Lower risk

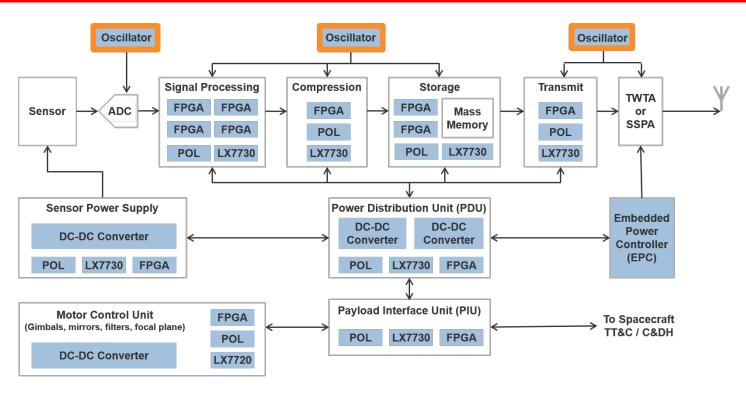
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#### **Signal Processing Payload**



Example:





### **Summary**



- Extensive experience in precision quartz oscillators for space applications
- Low-noise circuit design and frequency synthesis
- Advanced timing capabilities
- Atomic clock development for space
- Expertise in radiation characterization, analysis / test
- FTD and Vectron together offer the broadest array of Space Qualified Oscillators

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