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### VME-SyncClock32

- Single-slot, 6U, 32 bit VME module
- IRIG A, B, NASA 36, 1 PPS sync inputs
- GPS sync option (maintains single slot)
- Have Quick sync input option
- Propagation delay correction
- Zero latency time reads
- Match Time output
- IRIG-B time code output option
- External Event time tag input
- Three user programmable pulse rates



The VME-SyncClock32 from Brandywine Communications provides precision time with zero latency to the host computer over the VME bus. An on-board microprocessor automatically synchronizes the clock to reference signal inputs. The reference signal inputs can be 1 PPS, IRIG A or B and NASA 36 time codes. GPS and Have Quick inputs are optionally available. The clock can free run and be set by commands from the host over the VME bus.

The on-board clock accepts an IRIG A, IRIG B, or NASA 36 synchronization input and user input signal delay compensation information. An IRIG B code generator is also included.

The advanced microprocessor on the VME-SyncClock32 module constantly measures the time error between the onboard clock and the reference input code and adjusts the error measurement for propagation delay. In units with disciplined TCXO or OCXO oscillators the residual error is used in an adaptive gain loop to adjust the frequency of the 10 MHz oscillator for minimum error. If the incoming time code is missing or corrupted by noise the on-board clock is updated using the disciplined 10 MHz oscillator. When the input code is again useable the correction loop is smoothly closed.

58 bits of BCD time data are available to the host computer using two zero latency time reads. The time message contains units of microseconds through units of years. A status word is available using an additional read.

The time of occurrence of random external events may be captured (time-tagged) by using the Event Time input. When the event input is sensed the current time is saved in a buffer

for later interrogation by the host. The resolution of the time tag is 100 nanoseconds.

Internal or external processes may be automatically initiated or terminated by using the Match Time feature. This feature asserts an output when the user input start time matches the time in the internal clock. The output is terminated under user control or when the pre-programmed stop time is encountered. The resolution of the Match Time comparison is one microsecond.

Three user programmable pulse rates are provided. Two pulse rates Clock Low and Clock High, are output at the multipin connector. The third programmable pulse rate generator provides heartbeat timing to the host. The divider for each of the three rate generators is programmable by the host over the range 2–65,535. The inputs to the rate generators are 3 MHz or 100 Hz for the heartbeat, 3 MHz for Clock High and 100 Hz for Clock Low.

The GPS synchronization option adds worldwide time transfer capability that can be traced to the U.S. Government standard UTC-USNO. Very precise synchronization, automatic leap year and leap second correction, and accurate position information are additional benefits provided by the GPS option.

In addition to the comprehensive set of standard capabilities that is offered by the Brandywine Communications VME-SyncClock32, a wide range of optional features may be specified. These options allow the user to customize the VME-SyncClock32 to fit almost any application. Most options preserve the one-slot configuration.

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### VME-SyncClock32 Specifications

#### **General Input Specifications**

Input Codes IRIG A and B, NASA 36
Input Amplitude .25 Vpp to 10 Vpp
Input Impedance >10k ohms
Ratio 2:1 to 6:1
Frequency Error 100 PPM maximum

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Code Sync Accuracy One microsecond
TTL, positive edge
1PPS Sync Accuracy One microsecond

External Event TTL, positive or negative edge Resolution 100 nanoseconds—units of year

Min. event spacing None

#### **General Output Specifications**

Propagation Delay 10 nanoseconds-999.99999 milliseconds

Match Pulse TTL level at Start–Stop time
Resolution Microseconds–eight milliseconds

Clock Low TTL, negative going

Clock Divisor 2–65,535
Clock Input 100 PPS
Default Output 1 PPS

Clock High TTL, negative going

Clock Divisor 2–65,535
Clock Input 3 MPPS
Default Output 76.923k PPS

Heartbeat Rate Interrupt and flag

TTL, negative going

Clock Divisor 2–65,535

Clock Input 100 PPS or 3 MPPS

Default Output 1k PPS

BCD Time Microseconds—unit year on demand,

zero latency, 58 bits in two 32 bit words

Status Word Eight bits

Status LED Flashes coded patterns

Interrupts External Event, RAM FIFO, Heartbeart,

Match Time

Flags Dual Port RAM data ready, FIFO Data

Ready, In sync, Heartbeat, Match Time

**External Event** 

Connectors BNC, high density DB-26

**MTBF** 325,000 Hours

Per MIL 217 F Notice 2 at 25° C

#### **Mechanical & Environmental**

 Size
 160 mm X 233 mm

 Type
 Single-slot 32 bit VME

 Power
 +5 Vdc

 +12 Vdc
 ±5%, 400 mA maximum

 -12 Vdc
 ±5%, 100 mA maximum

 Operating Temperature
 0°C to +70°C

Storage Temperature UC to +70°C -40°C to +85°C

Humidity To 95% without condensation

#### **Options**

IRIG B DC Shift output
GPS Sync Input
Sync Accuracy
Position Accuracy
Tracking
Antenna

TTL
C/A code
100 nanoseconds
25 meters SEP
Eight parallel channels
L1, magnetic mount, 25' cable

Antenna Options

Hi-gain L1, mast mount, 100' cable
Fiber Optic Kit Fiber optic transmitter/receiver
pair for long antenna cable runs

Differential GPS Inputs
IRIG B Modulated Output
Input Code Isolation

Per RTCM-104
2.5 Vpp into 600 Ohms
Transformer coupling

Input Codes IRIG G, XR3, 2137, IRIG E, 109-60
Output codes IRIG A, NASA 36, IRIG G
Eight External Event Inputs TTL, positive or negative edge

Extended Temperature Range Have Quick Output Have Quick Input Oscillator Upgrades

1 PPS 10 Vdc input Eight External Event Inputs Sixteen External Event Inputs 10 Ext. Event Inputs (FIFO)

16 Ext. Event Inputs (FIFO)

Video Time Inserter

IRIG A, NASA 36, IRIG G
TTL, positive or negative edge
-40° to +85°C, Contact Factory
Per ICD-GPS-060
Per ICD-GPS-060
Disciplined TCXO, 1 PPM
Disciplined OCXO, .01 PPM
Sync input, +10 Vdc, 50 Ohms
Same as standard External Event
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TTL inputs, hardware FIFO buffer

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#### Other brandywine communications

- P(Y) code VME-SyncClock32
- Video Character Inserters
- Time-Message Displays
- PCI, PMC, PC/104, CPCI and ISA Computer Clock Synchronization Boards
- Network Time Servers
- Frequency Generation and Distribution Instruments
- Dual & Triple Redundant Systems

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