Arbitrary Function Generator

AFG-2000 Series

QUICK START GUIDE

GW INSTEK PART NO. 82AF-21200MC1

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SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

This chapter contains important safety instructions that should be followed when operating and storing the function generator. Read the following before any operation to ensure your safety and to keep the function generator in the best condition.

Safety Symbols

These safety symbols may appear in this manual or on the instrument.

⚠ WARNING	Warning: Identifies conditions or practices that could result in injury or loss of life.
⚠ CAUTION	Caution: Identifies conditions or practices that could result in damage to the function generator or to other objects or property.
⚡	DANGER High Voltage
⚠	Attention: Refer to the Manual
⏚	Protective Conductor Terminal
⏚	Earth (Ground) Terminal
♨	DANGER Hot Surface

▢	Double Insulated
🗑	Do not dispose electronic equipment as unsorted municipal waste. Please use a separate collection facility or contact the supplier from which this instrument was purchased.

Safety Guidelines

General Guideline ⚠ CAUTION	• Do not place heavy objects on the instrument. • Do not place flammable objects on the instrument. • Avoid severe impact or rough handling that may damage the function generator. • Avoid discharges of static electricity on or near the function generator. • Use only mating connectors, not bare wires, for the terminals. • The instrument should only be disassembled by a qualified technician. (Measurement categories) EN 61010-1:2010 specifies the measurement categories and their requirements as follows. The instrument falls under category II. • Measurement category IV is for measurement performed at the source of a low-voltage installation. • Measurement category III is for measurement performed in a building installation. • Measurement category II is for measurement performed on circuits directly connected to a low voltage installation. • Measurement category I is for measurements performed on circuits not directly connected to Mains.
Power Supply ⚠ WARNING	• AC Input voltage: 100 ~ 240V AC, 50 ~ 60Hz. • Connect the protective grounding conductor of the AC power cord to an earth ground to prevent electric shock.

Fuse ⚠ WARNING	• Fuse type: F1A/250V. • Only qualified technicians should replace the fuse. • To ensure fire protection, replace the fuse only with the specified type and rating. • Disconnect the power cord and all test leads before replacing the fuse. • Make sure the cause of fuse blowout is fixed before replacing the fuse.
Cleaning the function generator	• Disconnect the power cord before cleaning the function generator. • Use a soft cloth dampened in a solution of mild detergent and water. Do not spray any liquid into the function generator. • Do not use chemicals containing harsh products such as benzene, toluene, xylene, and acetone.
Operation Environment	• Location: Indoor, no direct sunlight, dust free, almost non-conductive pollution (Note below) and avoid strong magnetic fields. • Relative Humidity: < 80% • Altitude: < 2000m • Temperature: 0°C to 40°C (Pollution Degree) EN 61010-1:2010 specifies pollution degrees and their requirements as follows. The function generator falls under degree 2. Pollution refers to "addition of foreign matter, solid, liquid, or gaseous (ionized gases), that may produce a reduction of dielectric strength or surface resistivity". • Pollution degree 1: No pollution or only dry, non-conductive pollution occurs. The pollution has no influence. • Pollution degree 2: Normally only non-conductive pollution occurs. Occasionally, however, a temporary conductivity caused by condensation must be expected. • Pollution degree 3: Conductive pollution occurs, or dry, non-conductive pollution occurs which becomes conductive due to condensation which is expected. In such conditions, equipment is normally protected against exposure to direct sunlight,

precipitation, and full wind pressure, but neither temperature nor humidity is controlled.

Storage environment	• Location: Indoor
	• Relative Humidity: < 70%
	• Temperature: -10°C to 70°C

| Disposal | Do not dispose this instrument as unsorted municipal waste. Please use a separate collection facility or contact the supplier from which this instrument was purchased. Please make sure discarded electrical waste is properly recycled to reduce environmental impact. |

Power cord for the United Kingdom

When using the function generator in the United Kingdom, make sure the power cord meets the following safety instructions.

NOTE: This lead/appliance must only be wired by competent persons

⚠ WARNING: THIS APPLIANCE MUST BE EARTHED

IMPORTANT: The wires in this lead are coloured in accordance with the following code:

Green/ Yellow: Earth
Blue: Neutral
Brown: Live (Phase)

As the colours of the wires in main leads may not correspond with the coloured marking identified in your plug/appliance, proceed as follows:

The wire which is coloured Green & Yellow must be connected to the Earth terminal marked with either the letter E, the earth symbol ⏚ or coloured Green/Green & Yellow.

The wire which is coloured Blue must be connected to the terminal which is marked with the letter N or coloured Blue or Black.

The wire which is coloured Brown must be connected to the terminal marked with the letter L or P or coloured Brown or Red.

If in doubt, consult the instructions provided with the equipment or contact the supplier.

This cable/appliance should be protected by a suitably rated and approved HBC mains fuse: refer to the rating information on the equipment and/or user instructions for details. As a guide, a cable of 0.75mm² should be protected by a 3A or 5A fuse. Larger conductors would normally require 13A types, depending on the connection method used.

Any exposed wiring from a cable, plug or connection that is engaged in a live socket is extremely hazardous. If a cable or plug is deemed hazardous, turn off the mains power and remove the cable, any fuses and fuse assemblies. All hazardous wiring must be immediately destroyed and replaced in accordance to the above standard.

GETTING STARTED

The Getting started chapter introduces the function generator's main features, appearance and introduces a quick instructional summary of some of the basic functions. For comprehensive operation instructions, please see the user manual.

Main Features

Model name	AFG-2005	AFG-2105	AFG-2012	AFG-2112	AFG-2025	AFG-2125
Frequency Range	0.1Hz~5MHz		0.1Hz~12MHz		0.1Hz~25MHz	
Output waveform	Sine, Square, Ramp, Noise, ARB					
Amplitude range	0.1Hz~20MHz 1 mVpp to 10 Vpp(into 50Ω) 2 mVpp to 20 Vpp(open-circuit)					
	20MHzHz~25MHz 1 mVpp to 5 Vpp(into 50Ω) 2 mVpp to 10 Vpp(open-circuit)					
Variable Offset	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Variable Duty	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
SYNC (TTL) ouput	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Save/Recall	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sweep operation	—	✓	—	✓	—	✓
AM	—	✓	—	✓	—	✓
FM	—	✓	—	✓	—	✓
FSK	—	✓	—	✓	—	✓
Frequency Counter	—	✓	—	✓	—	✓

ARB	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
USB Interface	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Performance	• DDS technology using an FPGA provides high resolution waveforms
	• 25MHz DDS (Direct Digital Synthesis) signal output series
	• 0.1Hz resolution
	• Full Function Arbitrary Waveform Capability
	20 MSa/s sample rate
	10 MHz repetition rate
	4 k-point waveform length
	10-bit amplitude resolution
	Ten 4k waveform memories
Features	• Sine, Square, Ramp, Noise
	• Int/Ext AM, FM, FSK modulation
	• Modulation/sweep signal output
	• Save/recall 10 groups of setting memories
	• Output overload protection
	• ARB (Arbitrary Waveform) can be edited with PC software
Interface	• USB interface as standard
	• 3.5 inch LCD
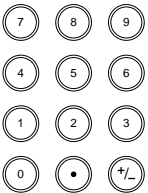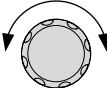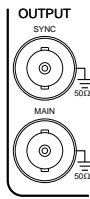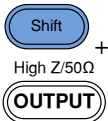
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
AFG-2105/2112/2125 Front Panel

LCD Display   Number pad   Scroll Wheel   Arrow keys   SYNC output port

Function keys

MAIN output port

Enter key

Power button

ARB keys   Operation keys   Output control key   Power button
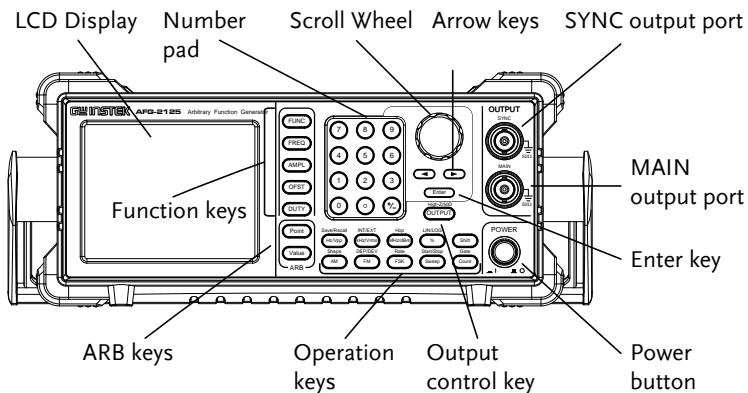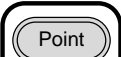
AFG-2005/2012/2025 Front Panel

LCD Display   Number pad   Scroll Wheel   Arrow keys   SYNC output port

Function keys

MAIN output port

Enter key

Power button

ARB keys   Operation keys   Output control key   Power button
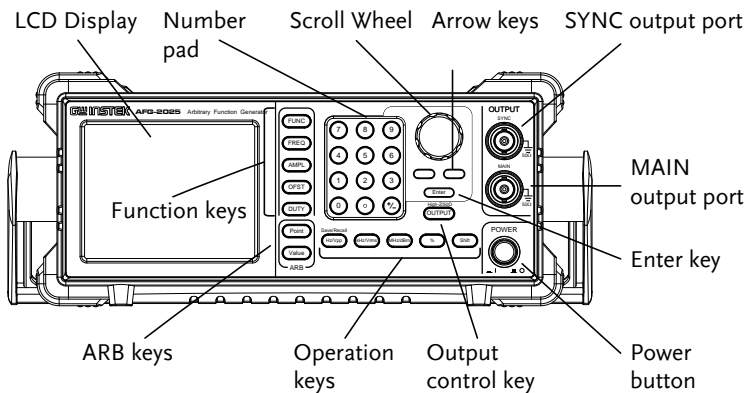
LCD display	3.5 inch, 3 color LCD display.	
Keypad		The digital keypad is used to enter values and parameters. The keypad is often used in conjunction with the selection keys and variable knob.
Scroll Wheel		The scroll wheel is used to edit values and parameters in steps of 1 digit. Used in conjunction with the arrow keys.
		Decrease ⟳ Increase
Arrow keys		Used to select digits when editing parameters.
Output ports	OUTPUT SYNC 50Ω	SYNC output port (50Ω impedance).
	MAIN 50Ω	Main output port (50Ω impedance).
Enter key	Enter	Used to confirm input values.
Power button	POWER	Turns the instrument power on/off.
Output control key	OUTPUT	Turns the output on/off.
Output Impedance	Shift + High Z/50Ω OUTPUT	Toggles the output impedance between 50Ω and High-Z.

Operation keys	(Hz/Vpp)	Selects Hz or Vpp units.
	Shift + Save/Recall (Hz/Vpp)	Saves or recalls waveforms from memory.
	(kHz/Vrms)	Selects kHz or Vrms units.
	Shift + INT/EXT (kHz/Vrms)	Sets the source to internal or external for the modulation and FSK functions*.
	(MHz/dBm)	Selects MHz or dBm units.
	Shift + Hop (MHz/dBm)	Sets the "Hop" frequency for FSK modulation*.
	(%)	Selects % units.
	Shift + LIN/LOG (%)	Sets the sweep to linear or logarithmic*.
	Shift	The shift key is used to select the secondary functions on the operation keys.
	(AM)	The AM key is used to turn AM modulation on/off*.
	Shift + Shape (AM)	Selects the modulation waveform*.
	(FM)	The FM key is used to turn FM modulation on/off*.
	Shift + DEP/DEV (FM)	Selects the modulation depth or the frequency deviation*.
	(FSK)	Selects FSK modulation*.
	Shift + Rate (FSK)	Sets the AM, FM, FSK modulation and sweep function (Rate)*

	Sweep	Selects the Sweep function*.
	Shift + Sweep (Start/Stop)	Sets the Start or Stop frequency*.
	Count	Turns the frequency counter on/off*.
	Shift + Count (Gate)	Sets the frequency counter gate time*.
ARB edit keys	Point Value ARB	Arbitrary waveform editing keys. The point key sets the ARB point numbers. The Value key sets the amplitude value of the selected point.
Function keys	FUNC	The FUNC key is used to select the output waveform type, Sine, Square, Ramp, Noise, ARB.
	FREQ	Sets the frequency of the selected waveform.
	AMPL	Sets the amplitude of the selected waveform.
	OFST	The OFST sets the DC offset for the selected waveform.
	DUTY	The DUTY key sets the duty cycle of square and ramp waveforms.
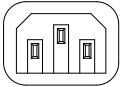
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AFG-2105/2112/2125 Rear Panel

MOD output

Counter input

MOD input

Power socket   Type B USB port   Trigger input
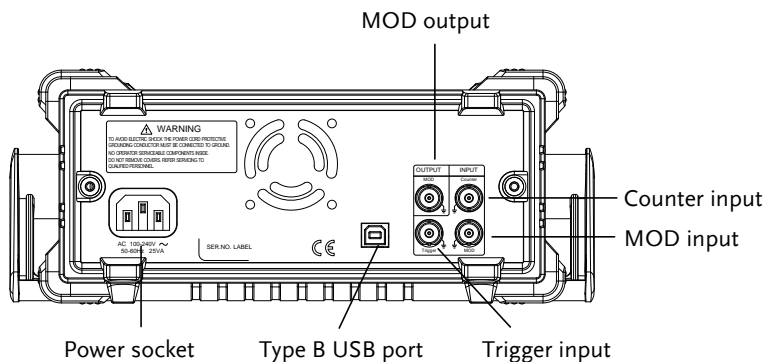
AFG-2005/2012/2025 Rear Panel

Power socket   Type B USB port
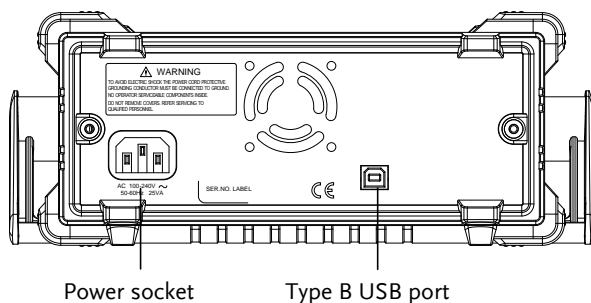
MOD output		Modulation output port.
Counter input	OUTPUT / INPUT / MOD / Counter / Trigger / MOD	Counter input port.
MOD input		Modulation input port.
Trigger input		Trigger input port.
Type B USB port		The type B USB port is used to connect the function generator to a PC for remote control.
Power Socket Input	AC 100-240V 50-60Hz 25VA	Power input: 100~240V AC 50~60Hz.

Display

Counter settings

Waveform type

Frequency display

USB icon

Secondary parameter display

Modulation, sweep, counter menu
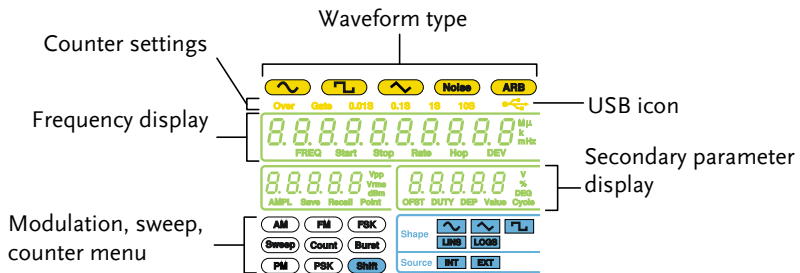
Waveform type		Press the function key to cycle through different output waveforms.

Counter settings	Over Gate 0.01S 0.1S 1S 10S

Gate time counter settings*.

USB icon	Shows the USB interface status.

Frequency Display	FREQ Start Stop Rate Hop DEV

Displays the main waveform frequency settings.

Secondary parameter display	Vpp Vrms dBm AMPL Save Recall Point V % DEG OFST DUTY DEP Value Cycle

Displays secondary waveform parameters and settings.

Modulation, sweep, counter menu	AM FM FSK Shape LINS LOGS Sweep Count Burst Source INT EXT PM PSK Shift

Displays the modulation, sweep and counter functions as well as the modulating waveform and source*.

*indicates functions/features for the AFG-2105/2112/2125 only.

Selecting a Waveform

Sine Wave

Example: Sine Wave, 10kHz, 1Vpp, 2Vdc

Output

MAIN

50Ω
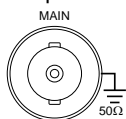
1. Press **FUNC>select the sine wave**
2. Press **FREQ>1>0>kHz**
3. Press **AMPL>1>Vpp**
4. Press **OFST>2>Vpp**
5. Press **OUTPUT**

Square Wave

Example: Square Wave, 10kHz, 3Vpp, 75% duty cycle

Output

MAIN

50Ω
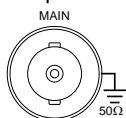
1. Press **FUNC>select the square wave**
2. Press **FREQ>1>0>kHz**
3. Press **AMPL>3>Vpp**
4. Press **DUTY>7>5>%**
5. Press **OUTPUT**

Ramp Wave

Example: Ramp Wave, 10kHz, 3Vpp, 25% symmetry

Output

MAIN

50Ω
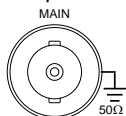
1. Press **FUNC>select the ramp wave**
2. Press **FREQ>1>0>kHz**
3. Press **AMPL>3>Vpp**
4. Press **DUTY>2>5>%**
5. Press **OUTPUT**

ARB

ARB – Enter Points

Example: ARB Ramp, 10 kHz, 1Vpp, 2 points.

Output

MAIN

50Ω
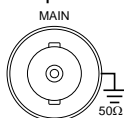
1. Press **FUNC>select the ARB wave**
2. Press **FREQ>1>0>kHz**
3. Press **AMPL>1>Vpp**
4. Press **Point>0>Enter**
5. Press **Value>5>1>1>Enter.** (+511 amplitude)
6. Press **Point>1>Enter**
7. Press **Value>+/->5>1>1>Enter.** (-511 amplitude)
8. Press **OUTPUT**

Modulation

AM (2100 series only)

Example: AM modulation. 100Hz modulating square wave. 1 Vpp, 1kHz Sine wave carrier. 70% modulation depth. Internal source signal.

Output

MAIN

50Ω
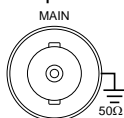
1. Press **FUNC>select the sine wave**
2. Press **FREQ>1>kHz**
3. Press **AMPL>1>Vpp**
4. Press **AM**
5. Press **Shift>INT/EXT>select INT source**
6. Press **Shift>Shape>select the square wave**
7. Press **Shift>Rate>1>0>0>Hz**
8. Press **Shift>DEP/DEV>7>0>%**
9. Press **Output**
10. Press **AM** to deselect the AM function

FM (2100 series only)

Example: FM modulation. 100Hz modulating square wave. 1Vpp, 1kHz Sine wave carrier. 100 Hz frequency deviation. Internal Source.

Output

MAIN

50Ω
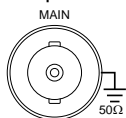
1. Press **FUNC>select the sine wave**
2. Press **FREQ>1>kHz**
3. Press **AMPL>1>Vpp**
4. Press **FM**
5. Press **Shift>INT/EXT>select INT**
6. Press **Shift>Shape>select square**
7. Press **Shift>Rate>1>0>0>Hz**
8. Press **Shift>DEP/DEV>1>0>0>Hz**
9. Press **Output**
10. Press **FM** to deselect the FM function

FSK Modulation (2100 series only)

Example: FSK modulation. 100Hz Hop frequency. 1Vpp, 1kHz Ramp carrier wave. 10 Hz Rate (modulation frequency). Internal Source.

Output

MAIN

50Ω
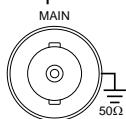
1. Press **FUNC>select the ramp wave**
2. Press **FREQ>1>kHz**
3. Press **AMPL>1>Vpp**
4. Press **FSK**
5. Press **Shift>INT/EXT>Select INT**
6. Press **Shift>Rate>1>0>Hz**
7. Press **Shift>HOP>1>0>0>Hz**
8. Press **Output**
9. Press **FSK** to deselect the FSK function

Sweep (2100 series only)

Example: Frequency Sweep. Start Frequency 1Hz, Stop Frequency 1MHz. 1Hz Rate. 1Vpp. Lins Sweep.

Output

MAIN

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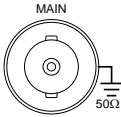
1. Press **FUNC>select the ramp wave**
2. Press **AMPL>1>Vpp**
3. Press **Sweep**
4. Press **Shift>INT/EXT>select INT**
5. Press **Shift>Start/Stop>select Start>1>Hz**
6. Press **Shift>Start/Stop>select Stop>1>MHz**
7. Press **Shift>Rate>1>Hz**
8. Press **Shift>LIN/LOG>Select LINS**
9. Press **Output**
10. Press **Sweep** to deselect the sweep function

Counter (2100 series only)

Example: Frequency counter function, gate time 1s.

Input

OUTPUT   INPUT
MOD   Counter

Trigger   MOD
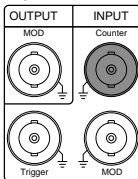
1. Press **Count**
2. Press **Shift>Gate>select 1S gate time**
3. Connect the signal to the counter input terminal.
4. Press **Count** to deselect the counter function.

Save/Recall

Save

Example: Save waveform to memory.

1. Press **Shift>Save/Recall>Select Save**

2. Turn the **Scroll knob>select a file number>Enter**

Recall

Example: Recall waveform from memory.

1. Press **Shift>Save/Recall>Select Recall**

2. Turn the **Scroll knob>select a file number>Enter**

AFG-2000 Series Specifications

The specifications apply when the function generator is powered on for at least 30 minutes under +20°C~+30°C.

AFG-2000 models		2005	2012	2025	2105	2112	2125
Waveforms		Sine, Square, Ramp, Noise, ARB					
Arbitrary Functions							
	Sample Rate	20 MSa/s					
	Repetition Rate	10MHz					
	Waveform Length	4k points					
	Amplitude Resolution	10 bits					
	Non-Volatile Memory	4k points					
Frequency Characteristics							
Range	Sine	0.1Hz~ 5MHz	0.1Hz~ 12MHz	0.1Hz~ 25MHz	0.1Hz~ 5MHz	0.1Hz~ 12MHz	0.1Hz~ 25MHz
	Square	0.1Hz~ 5MHz	0.1Hz~ 12MHz	0.1Hz~ 25MHz	0.1Hz~ 5MHz	0.1Hz~ 12MHz	0.1Hz~ 25MHz
	Triangle, Ramp	1MHz					
Resolution		0.1Hz					
Accuracy	Stability	±20 ppm					
	Aging	±1 ppm, per 1 year					
	Tolerance	≤ 1 mHz					
Output Characteristics							
Amplitude	Range	1 mVpp to 10 Vpp(into 50Ω) 2 mVpp to 20 Vpp(open-circuit) 1 mVpp to 5 Vpp(into 50Ω) for 20MHz-25MHz 2 mVpp to 10 Vpp(open-circuit) for 20MHz-25MHz					
	Accuracy	± 2% of setting ±1 mVpp (at 1 kHz)					
	Resolution	1 mV or 3 digits					
	Flatness	± 1% (0.1dB) ≤100kHz ± 3% (0.3 dB) ≤5MHz ± 5% (0.4 dB) ≤12MHz ±20%(2dB)≤20MHz ± 5% (0.4 dB) ≤25MHz (sine wave relative to 1 kHz)					
	Units	Vpp, Vrms, dBm					

Offset	Range	±5 Vpk ac +dc (into 50Ω) ±10Vpk ac +dc (Open circuit) ±2.5 Vpk ac +dc (into 50Ω) for 20MHz-25MHz ±5Vpk ac +dc (Open circuit) for 20MHz-25MHz
	Accuracy	2% of setting + 5 mV+ 0.5% of amplitude
Waveform Output	Impedance	50Ω typical (fixed) > 300kΩ (output disabled)
	Attenuator	—
	Protection	Short-circuit protected Overload relay automatically disables main output
SYNC Output	Level	TTL-compatible into>1kΩ
	Impedance	50Ω nominal
	Fan Out	—
	Rise of Fall Time	≤ 25ns
Sine wave Characteristics		
	Harmonic distortion(5)	−55 dBc DC ~ 200kHz, Ampl > 0.1Vpp −50 dBc 200kHz ~ 1MHz, Ampl > 0.1Vpp −35 dBc 1MHz ~ 5MHz, Ampl > 0.1Vpp −30 dBc 5MHz ~ 25MHz, Ampl > 0.1Vpp
Square wave Characteristics		
	Rise/Fall Time	≤25ns at maximum output. (into 50 Ω load)
	Overshoot	<5%
	Asymmetry	1% of period +1 ns
	Variable duty Cycle	1.0% to 99.0% ≤100kHz 20.0% to 80.0% ≤ 5MHz 40.0% to 60.0% ≤ 10MHz 50% ≤ 25MHz
Ramp Characteristics		
	Linearity	< 0.1% of peak output
	Variable Symmetry	0% to 100% (0.1% Resolution)

AM Modulation			
	Carrier Waveforms	—	Sine, Square, Triangle
	Modulating Waveforms	—	Sine, Square, Triangle
	Modulating Frequency	—	2mHz to 20kHz (Int) DC to 20kHz (Ext)
	Depth	—	0% to 120.0%
	Source	—	Internal / External
FM Modulation			
	Carrier Waveforms	—	Sine, Square, Triangle
	Modulating Waveforms	—	Sine, Square, Triangle
	Modulating Frequency	—	2mHz to 20kHz (Int) DC to 20kHz (Ext)
	Peak Deviation	—	DC to Max Frequency
	Source	—	Internal / External
Sweep			
	Waveforms	—	Sine, Square, Triangle
	Type	—	Linear or Logarithmic
	Start/Stop Freq	—	0.1Hz to Max Frequency
	Sweep Time	—	1ms to 500s
	Source	—	Internal / External
FSK			
	Carrier Waveforms	—	Sine, Square, Triangle
	Modulating Waveforms	—	50% duty cycle square
	Modulation Rate	—	2mHz to 100kHz(INT) DC to 100kHz(Ext)
	Frequency Range	—	0.1Hz to Max Frequency
	Source	—	Internal / External

Frequency Counter			
	Range	—	5Hz to 150MHz
	Accuracy	—	Time Base accuracy±1count
	Time Base	—	±20ppm (23˚C ±5˚C) after 30 minutes warm up
	Resolution	—	The maximum resolution is: 100nHz for 1Hz, 0.1Hz for 100MHz.
	Input Impedance	—	1kΩ/1pf
	Sensitivity	—	35mVrms ~ 30Vms (5Hz to 150MHz)
Save/Recall		10 Groups of Setting Memories (Locations 0~9 only for instrument state, Locations 10~19 only for ARB data)	
Interface		USB (Device)	
Display		LCD	
General Specifications			
	Power Source	AC100~240V, 50~60Hz	
	Power Consumption	25 VA (Max)	
	Operating Environment	Temperature to satisfy the specification : 18 ~ 28˚C Operating temperature : 0 ~ 40˚C Relative Humidity: ≤ 80%, 0 ~ 40˚C ≤ 70%, 35 ~ 40˚C Installation category : CAT Ⅱ	
	Operating Altitude	2000 Meters	
	Storage Temperature	-10~70˚C, Humidity: ≤70%	
	Dimensions (WxHxD)	266(W) x 107(H) x 293(D) mm	
	Weight	Approx. 2.5kg	
	Accessories	GTL-101× 1　　　　GTL-101× 2 Quick Start Guide ×1 CD (user manual + software) ×1 Power cord×1	

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Are herewith confirmed to comply with the requirements set out in the Council Directive on the Approximation of the Law of Member States relating to Electromagnetic Compatibility (2004/108/EC) and Low Voltage Equipment Directive (2006/95/EC). For the evaluation regarding the Electromagnetic Compatibility and Low Voltage Equipment Directive, the following standards were applied:

◎ **EMC**

EN 61326-1 :	Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use — EMC requirements (2006)	

Conducted and Radiated Emissions
   EN 55011: 2009+A1:2010
	Electrostatic Discharge
	   EN 61000-4-2: 2008	

Current Harmonic
   EN 61000-3-2: 2006+A2:2009
	Radiated Immunity
	   EN 61000-4-3: 2006+ A2:2010	

Voltage Fluctuation
   EN 61000-3-3: 2008
	Electrical Fast Transients
	   EN 61000-4-4: 2004+A1:2010	

------------------------	Surge Immunity EN 61000-4-5: 2005	
------------------------	Conducted Susceptibility EN 61000-4-6: 2008	
------------------------	Power Frequency Magnetic Field EN 61000-4-8: 2009	
------------------------	Voltage Dips/ Interrupts EN 61000-4-11: 2004	

◎ **Safety**

Low Voltage Equipment Directive 2006/95/EC
Safety Requirements
EN 61010-1: 2010