

2400B Series

Microwave Synthesizer

Signal Generator

2408B/2408S

2420B/2420S

2426B/2426S

2440B/2440S

Frequency Range

10 MHz - 8 GHz

10 MHz - 20 GHz

10 MHz - 26.5 GHz

10 MHz - 40 GHz

Available Options and Accessories

- 17 Delete Modulation Suite
- 18 Delete 0.01 to 2 GHz
- 23 Type N Connector (2420 Series only)
- 26 Delete Step Attenuator
- 31 2 msec. Switching Speed Limit
- 44 Delete Front Panel, 2400S series only
- 46 Rack Slide Kit
- 55 Command Sets

Fast Frequency Switching

The fast frequency switching of the Giga-tronics 2400 Series Microwave Synthesizer pays dividends in any test environment where large amounts of data are collected. Regardless of the complexity of your application, such as antenna characterization or RFIC testing, the 2400 Series will quickly prove itself as your best test investment by providing quick settling of amplitude and frequency for minimum waiting between measurement points. In addition, the 2400 Series Automation Xpress software and interface option ensures unmatched 2.5 ms CVW frequency and power switching performance, providing fast and flexible data exchange rates for faster testing and more device throughput.

Low Phase Noise

The Giga-tronics 2400 Series Microwave Synthesizers deliver state of the art phase noise and fast switching simultaneously. The 2400 Series low noise, high power and excellent phase stability are ideal for your measurement system's local oscillator or low jitter clock.

Faster to Program

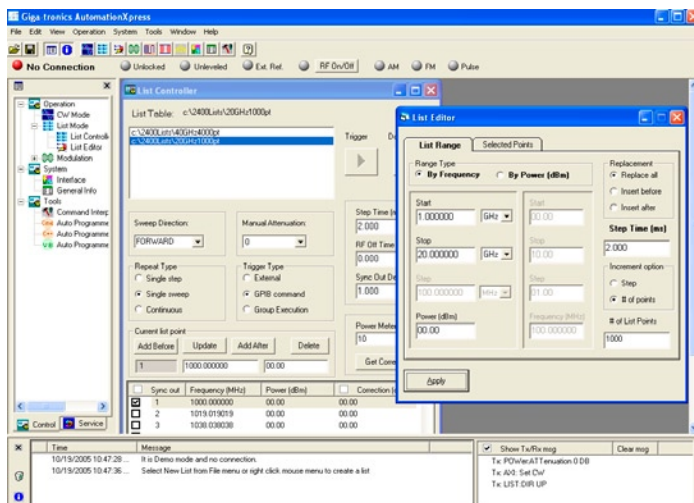
Every 2400 Series Microwave Synthesizer comes with Giga-tronics Automation Xpress, a PC based software package designed for enhanced user interface and automatic test systems. Automation Xpress leverages industry-leading software applications, familiar Windows drop-down menus and other functions to perform tasks. Using Windows-based applications, such as Microsoft™ Excel or Notepad, engineers can create, manage and download complex lists in seconds.

Simpler to Operate

At first glance, it's clear the Giga-tronics 2400 Series is different. Its innovative design and intuitive interface will make you productive right out of the box. The 2400 was designed to streamline user navigation by moving complex testing functions from the front panel to the desktop PC. The result is a groundbreaking system that reduces training time, speeds workflow and dramatically boosts end-user productivity. To enhance user navigation, we minimized the number of soft screens and menu layers, simplifying content and improving operational performance. That means you'll spend less time scrolling through data menus and more time getting your work done.

2400 Series Optimized for ATE

With the 2400 Series, ATE integrators now have a system source specifically designed to match their unique performance needs. The 2400 Series works seamlessly with other instruments. It includes hardware triggering and synchronization signals with programmable delays to allow coordination with other test products in your system. Replacing other industry-standard microwave synthesizers can also be accommodated, making the 2400 Series the ideal choice for upgrading older systems.



2400 Series

Technical Specifications

All specifications apply over a 0°C to +55°C range after 30 minutes of warm-up time unless otherwise stated.

Frequency (after 30 day warm-up)

Accuracy:	Same as time-base
Resolution:	0.1 Hz
Power Slope:	0 to 0.5 dB/GHz
Reference:	
Reference Output:	10 MHz, TTL level into 50 Ω
External Reference Input:	10 MHz or 100 MHz ± 1 ppm > -5 dBm into 50 Ω
High Stability Time Base	10 MHz
Aging Rate	< 5 × 10 ⁻¹⁰ /day (after 30 day warm-up)
Temperature Stability	< ± 2.5 × 10 ⁻⁶
Volts/GHz: 0 to 10 V range:	0.50 V/GHz, 0.01 – 20 GHz 0.25 V/GHz, 20 – 40 GHz
Lock/Level Indicator:	Sync Out = TTL High

Frequency Bands

Band	Frequency	N
0	10 – 15.99 MHz	512
1	16 – 30.99 MHz	256
2	31 – 62.99 MHz	128
3	63 – 124.99 MHz	64
4	125 – 249.99 MHz	32
5	250 – 499.99 MHz	16
6	500 – 999.99 MHz	8
7	1.0 – 1.99 GHz	4
8	2.0 – 3.99 GHz	2
9	4.0 – 7.99 GHz	1
10	8.0 – 15.99 GHz	1/2
11	16.0 – 31.99 GHz	1/4
12	32.0 – 40.00 GHz	1/8

Output Power

Maximum Levelled (dBm)

(Specification applies over 0 to 35°C range and degrades <2.0 dB from 35°C to 55°C)

Model	.01 - <2 GHz (w/ Step Attenuator)	2 - <8 GHz (w/ Step Attenuator)	8 - 20 GHz (w/ Step Attenuator)	20-40 GHz ¹ (w/ Step Attenuator)
8 GHz	+14 (13.0)	+15 (13.8)	—	—
20 GHz	+14 (13.0)	+15 (13.8)	+15 (12.8)	—
26.5 GHz	+13 (12)	+10 (8.8)	+10 (8.4)	+10 (8.0)
40 GHz	+10 (9)	+10 (8.8)	+9 (7.4)	+9 (6.5)

Minimum Settable: -107 dBm, <20 GHz; -100 dBm, >20 GHz
(Option 26) -17 dBm <20 GHz; -10 dBm, >20 GHz

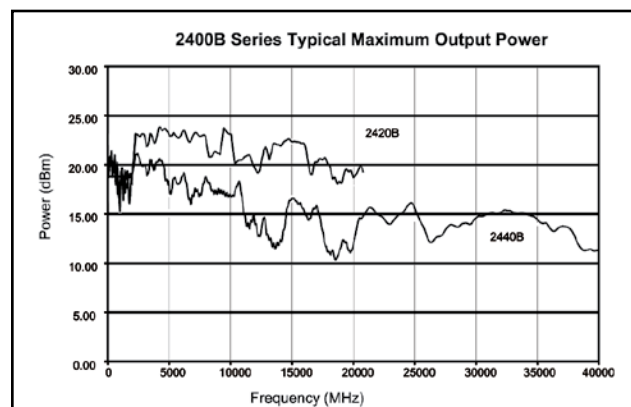
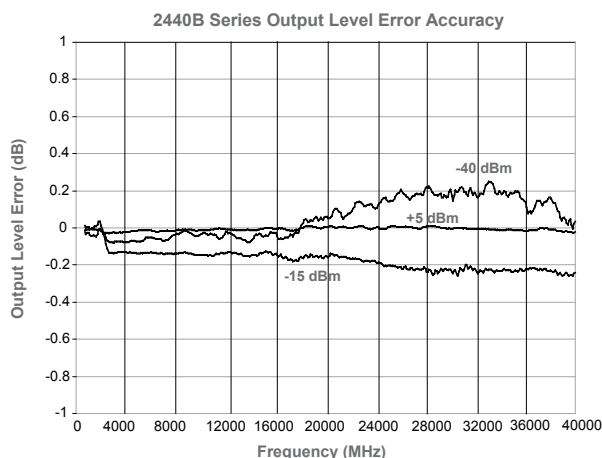
Power Offset:	0 to 10 dB
Resolution	0.05 dB
Temperature Stability:	0.025 dB/°C
Output Source Match (typical):	< 2.0:1

Accuracy (dB)

(Specifications apply over 15 to 35°C range and degrades <0.1 dB/°C outside the range)

Model	> 5 dBm	> -10 dBm	> -100 dBm
.01 - 20 GHz	± 1.0	± 0.8	± 1.3
20 - 40 GHz	± 1.2	± 1.0	± 1.5

Output Power and Level Accuracy for the 2400 Series



Spectral Purity

Harmonics (Specifications for harmonics above instrument frequency range are typical.)

Frequency (GHz)	Standard (at +6 dBm)
0.01 – 20 GHz	– 55 dBc ^{2,3}
20 – 40 GHz	– 50 dBc

Frequency (GHz)	Standard (at +6 dBm)
.01 – 2 GHz	– 80 dBc
2 – 20 GHz	– 60 dBc
20 – 40 GHz	– 50 dBc

Frequency (GHz)	Offsets > 300 Hz
.01 – 16 GHz	– 60 dBc
16 – 32 GHz	– 54 dBc
32 – 40 GHz	– 48 dBc

¹ 20 - 26.5 GHz for model 2426 series

² Frequencies > 100 MHz; for frequencies < 100 MHz, -45 dBc typical, worst case -40 dBc

³ Specification is -50 dBc for 2426B, 2426S, 2440B, and 2440S models

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Spectral Purity Continued:

Residual FM (typical)

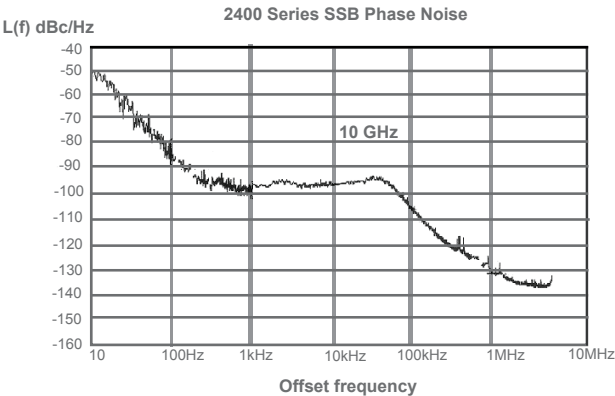
Table with 2 columns: Frequency (GHz) and 50 Hz - 15 kHz Bandwidth. Rows show values for .01 - 16 GHz, 16 - 32 GHz, and 32 - 40 GHz.

AM Noise (typical)

Table with 2 columns: Frequency (GHz) and Offsets > 5 MHz. Rows show values for .01 - 2 GHz, 2 - 20 GHz, and 20 - 40 GHz.

SSB Phase Noise

Table with 6 columns: Frequency (GHz), 100 Hz, 1 kHz, 10 kHz, 100 kHz, 1 MHz. Rows show phase noise values for frequencies from 0.85 to 30 GHz.



Frequency/Power Sweep - B Series and S Series

Table with 2 columns: Parameter and Value. Rows include Ramp Frequency Sweep, Ramp Power Sweep, Power Slope, Power Flatness, Ramp Output, Z-Axis Blanking, and Sweep Time.

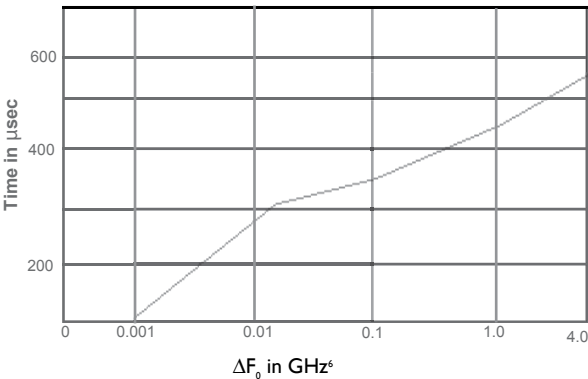
List Mode

Table with 2 columns: Parameter and Value. Rows include Number of List Points, Frequency Settling Time, Amplitude Settling Time, Step Time, Sync Out Delay, and Trigger Modes.

List Mode Continued:

Sweep Modes: Continuous, Single Step, & Single Sweep

2400 Typical Frequency Settling Time



Remote Programming

Table with 2 columns: Interface and Value. Rows include Hardware Interface (IEEE 488.2, RS-232 & USB) and Software Interface (SCPI, GT12000, GT9000, GT900 Automation Xpress Interface).

Execution Speed (IEEE 488.2):

Table with 3 columns: Operation, AXI, and SCPI. Rows show CW Switching, 4000 pt. List Download times for both interfaces.

Automation Xpress Interface (AXI)

For use with Giga-tronics Automation Xpress software. The AXI provides Xpress 2.5 ms CW Frequency/Power switching, faster data exchange and functional downloads/executions, and a stable API programming interface for the ATE programming environment.

Modulation Specifications:

Amplitude Modulation*

Table with 2 columns: Parameter and Value. Rows include Depth, Rate (3 dB Bandwidth), Sensitivity, Accuracy, Input Range, and Impedance.

Scan Modulation (Specification applies for frequencies below 20 GHz)

Table with 2 columns: Parameter and Value. Rows include Depth, Scan Time, Maximum Number of Points, Minimum Time per Point, and Scan Pattern.

Minimum # of Lobes: 1

Footnotes 4 through 9 explaining sweep rate, settling times, and modulation peak requirements.

Modulation Specifications:

Frequency Modulation

Narrow Mode: (Deviation Limited Modulation Index)

Rate (3 dB bandwidth): DC - 50 kHz

Peak Deviation: 1 MHz/N DE-3kHz
0.4 MHz/N 3kHz to 50 kHz
Accuracy: $\pm 5\%$ at 5 kHz rate with 0.6013 V peak input,
20 kHz/V sensitivity
Input Range: $\pm 1V$
Impedance: 50 Ω

Wide Mode: (Modulation Index $< 15/N$)

Rate (3 dB bandwidth): 10 kHz - 5 MHz

Peak Deviation: 20 MHz/N or modulation index of $3.7 \times F_{GHz}$,
whichever is less
Accuracy: $\pm 5\%$ at 100 kHz rate with 0.2405 V peak input,
1 MHz/V sensitivity
Input Range: $\pm 1V$
Impedance: 50 Ω

Pulse Modulation (Specification applies for frequencies above 500 MHz)

On/Off Ratio: 80 dB

Rise/Fall Times:

Frequency	Rise Time
0.5 - 20 GHz	< 10 ns
20 - 40 GHz	< 25ns

Minimum Width: 100 ns
Level Accuracy¹⁰: ± 0.5 dB Pulse Width > 250 ns
(relative to CW) +1.5 / -0.5 dB Pulse Width >150 -250 ns
+2.5 / -0.5 dB Pulse Width 125 - 150 ns

PRF (50% duty cycle): DC - 5 MHz

Pulse Fidelity (typical):

Overshoot & Ringing: < 15%
Video feed through: 0.5 - 2 GHz (< 5%)
2 - 40 GHz (< 1%)

Compression: $< \pm 5$ ns
Delay: < 75 ns

Input

Sensitivity: TTL levels (polarity selectable)
Impedance: 50 Ω

Automation Xpress Requirements- All 2400 Series models

20 MB Disk Space

Windows 2000, Windows XP

128 MB RAM or greater

Inputs & Outputs:

Connector		
EXT REF Input	RF Output	AM Output
AM IN	10 MHz REF Output	FM Output
FM IN	100 MHz REF Output	Pulse Output
PM/PM Trigger IN	V/GHz Output	Pulse Sync Output
External ALC	Sync Output	
Trigger In	Blanking Output	
Stop Sweep I/O	Ramp Output	
	Lock/Level Output	

Internal Function Generator:

AM Modulation Source

Waveforms: Sine, Square, Triangle, Ramp, Gaussian Noise
Rate: 0.01 Hz to 10kHz, all waveforms
Resolution: 0.01 Hz
Accuracy: Same as time base
AM Out: 2V, peak to peak into 10 k Ω Load

FM Modulation Source

Waveforms: Sine, Square, Triangle, Ramp, Gaussian Noise
Rate: 0.01 Hz to 1 MHz, all waveforms
Resolution: 0.01 Hz
Accuracy: Same as time base
FM Out: 2V, peak to peak into 10 k Ω Load

PM Modulation Source

Width: 0.05 uSec. to 0.01 Sec.
Pulse Repetition Interval: 0.2 uS to 1 Sec.
Sync. Out Delay: 0 to 10 mSec.
Resolution: 10 nSec.
Accuracy: Accuracy: $\pm 0.1\%$ typical, worst case: $\pm 2\%$
of setting or ± 20 nS whichever is greater
PM Out: 2 Volts into 50 Ω

Physical

Environmental: MILPRF-28800F, Class 3
Safety: EN61010
Weight: < 35 lbs
Emissions: EN61326
Rack Height: 3U (5.25 inches)
Connector Types (All Series): 2408 (N(f)),
2420/2426 (SMA(f))
2440 (K(f))

Remote Interface

GPIO (IEEE 488.2, 1987) with listen and talk
RS - 232

2400S Series Only

2400S Series include:

Rear RF Output

Delete Front Panel Option

includes front panel LED Indicators: Power, EXT REF, Unleveled

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¹⁰ Duty Cycle must be $> 0.01\%$

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