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# Model 7890

Multifrequency clock synthesizer PCIe board

Ideal for A/D and D/A converter clock sources

- Simultaneous synthesis of up to five different clocks
- Eight SMC clock outputs
- Typical phase noise: -105 dBc/Hz @ 1 kHz offset
- All clocks are phase-locked to input reference signal



The Model 7890 generates up to eight synthesized clock signals suitable for driving A/D and D/A converters in high-performance real-time data acquisition and software radio systems. The clocks offer exceptionally low phase noise and jitter to preserve the signal quality of the data converters. These clocks are synthesized from on-board quad VCXOs (voltage controlled oscillators) and can be phase-locked to an external reference signal.

#### **FEATURES**

- Input reference frequency of 5 to 100 MHz
- Four quad VCXOs allow selection from 16 different base frequencies
- Output clocks of 1, 2, 4, 8, or 16 submultiples of VCXO base frequencies
- Output clock frequencies between 50 and 700 MHz
- Control and status via PCIe bus interface

## BLOCK DIAGRAM



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#### CLOCK SYNTHESIZER CIRCUITS

The 7890 uses four Texas Instruments CDC7005 clock synthesizer and jitter cleaner devices. Each CDC7005 is paired with a dedicated VCX0 to provide the base frequency for the clock synthesizer. Each of the four VCX0s can be independently programmed to generate one of four frequencies between 50 and 700 MHz.

The CDC7005 can output the selected frequency of its associated VCXO, or generate submultiples using divisors of 2, 4, 8 or 16. The four CDC7005's can output up to five frequencies each. The 7890 can be programmed to route any of these 20 frequencies to the board's five output drivers.

The CDC7005 includes phase-locking circuitry that locks the frequency of its associated VCX0 to an input reference clock. This reference is a 5 to 100 MHz signal supplied to a front panel SMC connector.

Eight front panel SMC connectors supply synthesized clock outputs driven from the five clock output drivers, as shown in the block diagram. This supports a single identical clock to all eight outputs or up to five different clocks to various outputs.

With four independent quad VCXOs and each CDC7005 capable of providing up to five different submultiple clocks, a wide range of clock configurations is possible. In systems where more than five different clock outputs are required simultaneously, multiple 7890's can be used and phase-locked with a 5 to 100 MHz system reference.

#### **PCI INTERFACE**

The Model 7890 includes a multiple port, 48-lane Gen. 2 PCIe switch with integrated SerDes. The switch provides x8 wide connection to the PCIe interface.

#### **FRONT PANEL CONNECTIONS**

The front panel includes one SMC connector for a reference signal input, eight SMC connectors for clock outputs and ten LED indicators. Please use the cables described in Ordering Information.



- Reference Input Connector: One SMC receptacle, labeled REF IN, for input of an external reference clock.
- Clock Output
  Connectors:
  Eight

SMC connectors for the Clock signal inputs labeled **CLK 1 - 8**. The clock output signal is within the range of +4 dBm. This output is driven into 50  $\Omega$ output impedance.

- REF IN LED: A green LED labeled REF IN illuminates when a reference clock input is applied to the board.
- VCX0 LEDs: Four green LEDs

labeled **VCXO A-D** illuminate when the associated VCXO input is valid (A is for VCXO 1, B for VCXO 2, C for VCXO 3, D for VCXO 4).

 Lock LEDs: Four green LEDs labeled LOCK A-D illuminate when the associated VCXO PLL is locked (A is for VCXO 1, B for VCXO 2, C for VCXO 3, D for VCXO 4).  Power LED: A green LED labeled
 PWR illuminates when a +5VDC is applied to the board.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### **Front Panel Reference Input**

Connector Type: SMC

Input Impedance: 50 ohms

Reference Frequency: 5 to 100 MHz Input Level: -6 dBm to +10 dBm

#### PLL Clock Synthesizers & Jitter Cleaner

Quantity: 4

Type: Texas Instruments CDC7005 Frequency Dividers: 1, 2, 4, 8 and 16

#### Quad VXCOs (Quantity: 4)

Frequencies per VCXO: 4\*, software programmable

Frequency Range: 50 to 700 MHz

Unlocked Accuracy: ±20 ppm

#### Front Panel Clock Outputs (Quantity: 8)

Connector Type: SMC

Output Impedance: 50 ohms

Output Level: +3 dBm @ 700 MHz

Typ. Phase Noise: -105 dBc/Hz @ 1 kHz (dependent on reference source stability)

#### PCI to PCIe Interface

PCIe Interface: Gen. 2, x8 width)

PCIe Ports: one x4 port to PCI bus, one x8 port to PCIe motherboard

Operation: control and status interface

#### Environmental

- Operating Temp: 0° to 50° C
- Storage Temp: -20° to 90° C
- Relative Humidity: 0 to 95%, noncond.

Size: Half-length PCIe, 4.38 in. x 6.6 in.

#### **ORDERING INFORMATION**

Model	Description
7890*	Multifrequency Clock Synthesizer - Half-length x8 PCle

\*Specify frequencies of factory-installed programmable VCX0s between 50 and 700 MHz. Contact techsales@mrcy.com to order specific frequencies.

#### **ACCESSORY PRODUCTS**

Model	Description
2891	Timing bus cables

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