

CS-5040VXI Microwave Tuner

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- **0.5–18 GHz Coverage Standard**
- **0.1–110 GHz Coverage Available**
- **Low Phase Noise - 0.5° RMS Typical**
- **1 GHz/500 MHz BW IF Out Standard**
- **VXI Based Search/Set-on Applications**
- **COMINT/ELINT Applications**

The CS-5040 VXI Microwave Tuner is a three-slot, high-performance microwave tuner that operates in the 0.5–18 GHz frequency range. Frequency coverage can be expanded to cover 0.1–22 GHz without the need for external extenders. A millimeter-wave downconverter interface can be included as an option, which allows the operator to attach remote downconverters covering the millimeter-wave range up to 110 GHz. The CS-5040 VXI Microwave Tuner can be used either independently as a tuner, or in conjunction with the CS-5045 VXI Demodulator to form a complete microwave receiver.



CS-5040 tuner with Option 1b

The CS-5040 is capable of operating in both sweep and CW tuning modes for both search and set-on applications in the COMINT and ELINT surveillance communities. This tuner is capable of processing complex, wideband signals of interest, such as radar, FDM, PCM, PSK, FSK, QAM, and many others. This VXI microwave tuner exhibits the same performance and features as the CS-5020C rack mount tuner but is housed in a removable three-slot VXI package.

The CS-5040 features a high dynamic range with very low noise figure (13 dB typical) and a very good third-order intercept (+2 dBm typical at the input). Extremely low, integrated phase noise (0.5° RMS typical) and group delay (3 ns over 80% of the IF bandwidth) permit the conversion of signals of interest without compromising signal content. This unique tuner offers fully synthesized operation including 100 Hz tuning resolution and phase coherence to either an internal 10 MHz low-phase noise crystal oscillator or an external 10 MHz system reference.

MECHANICAL

The three-slot VXI standard package derives power from the mainframe, as well as forced air cooling. The unit is designed to meet the requirements of MIL-STD-461 in the RF portion for low leakage; it employs mechanical shielding techniques such as EMI gasketing, and waveguide beyond cutoff hole patterns are used for cooling vents. The RF component section is fully EMI shielded, and the digital interface to the VXI bus is partially shielded.

A four-digit LED status display on the front panel presents codes based upon the condition of the tuner and automatically updates on a routine basis to display any changes in BITE status. All RF and millimeter-wave

downconverter connectors, BITE LEDs, and an RS-232 interface are located on the front panel, along with test points for monitoring the health and activity of the unit.

INTERFACE

The unit is controlled through the VXI standard control bus, using either a message- or register-based interface. The CS-5040 can be programmed for auto-stop capability, as well as the monitoring of relative signal amplitude when the internal LOG is selected as an option. All parameters can be controlled and monitored through the VXI interface, including BITE. There is also an auxiliary 9-pin RS-232 interface port on the front panel.

OPTIONS

A number of options are available and are explained below. Consult with Rockwell Collins for option compatibility.

Option 1 – IF Outputs

- 1a – 1 GHz/500 MHz BW IF Output – now standard
- 1b – Adds an IF output with a selectable frequency/BW of 70/50, 140/85, and 160/85 MHz.
- 1c – Adds an IF output with a selectable frequency/BW of 70/50, 140/100, and 160/100 MHz.

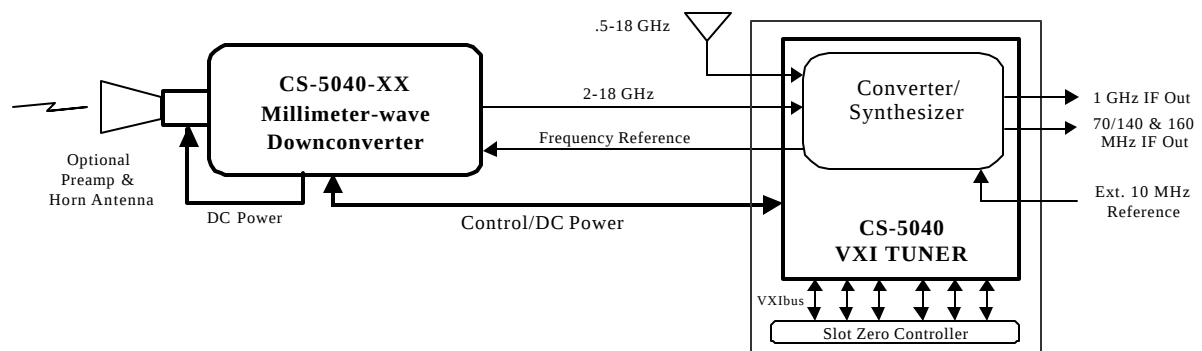
Option 2 – LOG Amplifier (Option 1b or 1c required)

- 2a – Wideband LOG amplifier providing the ability to auto-stop and also to measure CW input signal level
- 2b – Same as 2a with additional capability for pulse level measurement
- 2c – Provides a LOG Video Output for option 2a or 2b above

Option 3 – Front Panel (now standard)

Option 4 – Frequency Extension

- 4a – Extends the lower frequency range from 0.5 to 0.1 GHz. The 1 GHz IF bandwidth is then limited to 85 MHz for tuned frequencies below 500 MHz.
- 4b – Extends the upper frequency range from 18 to 20 GHz.
- 4c – Extends the upper frequency range from 18 to 22 GHz.
- 4d – Adds the interfaces to connect millimeter-wave downconverters. The diagram below shows a typical millimeter-wave frequency extension configuration.



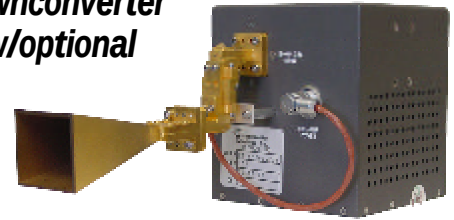
Simplified Block Diagram

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The millimeter-wave downconverters are small modules that are connected to the CS-5040 via two coaxial cables and a control/power cable. This allows the downconverter to be located near the antenna, which avoids the use of longer cables or difficult waveguide runs that could degrade the signal. A preamplifier can be connected directly to the downconverter, with power routed through the downconverter from the tuner via an external power cable.

The CS-5040 uses direct frequency commanding for operation in the millimeter wave bands. For example, if the operator requires the tuner to be set to 39.7525 GHz, the direct frequency of 39.7525 GHz would be commanded to the tuner. Algorithm or look-up table conversions are not required by the operator for millimeter wave operation.

Millimeter-wave downconverter w/optional



Option 5 – Variable Gain IF Output (Option 1b or 1c required) – Adds an IF output at 70, 140, and 160 MHz with manual (MGC) and automatic (AGC) gain control.

Option 6 – RF Input Blanking/Attenuator
6a – Two RF blanking inputs with polarity selection
6b – 70 dB RF attenuator, in 10 dB steps

Option 7 – Display Interface – Display/digitizer interface that allows the unit to be connected to the CS-5047VXI to obtain swept and set-on spectral displays with markers and many other functions to assist the operator with evaluating the spectrum.

Option 8 – COMINT/ELINT Filters
8a – ELINT operation: 1 GHz IF Gaussian filter replaces standard Chebyshev filter.
8b – Includes both standard Chebyshev and Gaussian filters with software selection.

Option 9 – Extended Warranty – Contact Rockwell Collins for details.

Option 10 – Reference Oscillator Sample Output
10a – provides a 10 MHz sample of either external source (if connected) or internal source (no external source connected).

Option 11 – Firmware for use with Agilent Technologies E3238 Blackbird System

RELATED EQUIPMENT

CS-5040-XX Millimeter-wave Downconverters

CS-5047 VXI Display/Digitizer

CS-5045 VXI AM/FM/LOG Demodulator

CS-1097/1098 VXI IF to Baseband/Tape Converter

CS-824 VXI Multicoupler

SPECIFICATIONS – CS-5040 VXI MICROWAVE TUNER

Performance according to specifications is guaranteed over the stated operating temperature range unless otherwise noted.

Input Frequency	0.5–18 GHz range (standard) 0.1 to 0.5 GHz Extension (Option 4a) 18 to 20 GHz Extension (Option 4b) 18 to 22 GHz Extension (Option 4c) Provisions for mm-wave downconverters (Option 4d) Contact Rockwell Collins for other bands.
Input VSWR.....	50 ohms, 2.5:1 max
Maximum Input Signal Level	+20 dBm
LO Re-Radiation	-90 dBm max
Noise Figure (at 25° C)	13 dB typical for 0.1–17 GHz 15 dB max to 18 GHz 16 dB max to 20 GHz 17 dB max to 22 GHz
Input Third-Order Intercept (at 25° C)	+2 dBm typical 0 dBm min, 0.1–20 GHz -2 dBm min, 20–22 GHz
Group Delay (1 GHz IF output)	3 ns over 80% of the IF bandwidth
Image Rejection	70 dB min to 18 GHz
Internal Frequency Stability over temperature range	$\pm 3 \times 10^{-7}$ max
aging	5×10^{-9} /day after warm-up
External Reference Input	
frequency	10 MHz
amplitude	0 $\pm$ 3 dBm, automatically switched
connector	BNC female
Reference Sample Output (Option 10)	
frequency	10 MHz
amplitude	0 $\pm$ 3 dBm, automatically switched
connector	BNC female

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Tuning Modes	Continuous wave and sweep	
Settling Time (after last command bit)	10 ms max	
Tuning Resolution	100 Hz	
Internally Generated Spurious	-100 dBm max equivalent input	
Integrated Phase Noise (100 Hz–10 MHz)	0.5° RMS typical 0.65° RMS max	
SSB Phase Noise	<u>Freq Offset</u>	<u>Phase Noise (typical)</u>
	100 Hz	-65 dBc/Hz
	1000 Hz	-72 dBc/Hz
	10 kHz	-90 dBc/Hz
	100 kHz	-102 dBc/Hz
	1 MHz	-120 dBc/Hz
	10 MHz	-130 dBc/Hz
IF Output Frequency/Bandwidth	1.0 GHz/500 MHz standard 70 MHz/50 MHz (Option 1b, 1c) 140 MHz/85 MHz (Option 1b) 160 MHz/85 MHz (Option 1b) 140 MHz/100 MHz (Option 1c) 160 MHz/100 MHz (Option 1c)	
RF/IF Gain	20 dB min	
RF/IF Gain Flatness	± 1 dB max over the 0.1–22 GHz range	
Gain Control	60 dB min, 1 dB steps (Option 5)	
LOG Video Output	0-2 V (50 ohms), 60 dB range min (Option 2c)	
Coaxial Connectors		
RF input	SMA female	
1 GHz IF output	SMA female (standard)	
70/140/160 MHz IF output	BNC female (Option 1b)	
LOG video output	BNC female (Option 2c)	
mm-wave downconverter IF input	SMA female (Option 4d)	
240 MHz reference output	SMA female (Option 4d)	
10 MHz reference sample	BNC female (Option 10a)	
Function Controls	VXIbus message- or register-based	
BITE	Power supply voltages, internal temperature, phase-lock status, phase-lock tuning voltages	

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Temperature	
operating	0 to +50° C
storage.....	-40 to +85° C
Cooling	Forced air
Humidity	20-95% non-condensing
Power	VXIbus standard power, 85 W nominal
Size.....	Three VXI "C" slots
Weight.....	16 lb (7.3 kg) typical
EMI shielding	Designed to meet or exceed MIL-STD 461, RE-02, CS-03 for RF components
International Standards	Designed for CE compliance

ORDERING INFORMATION

When placing an order, please specify the exact model and options. Each unit is supplied with a manual, a certificate of conformance, and acceptance test data.

All exports of the hardware and/or software referenced in this datasheet require a United States Department of State Export License, or exemption as regulated by the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR).

WARRANTY

Rockwell Collins is an ISO-9001 certified Engineering and Manufacturing facility serving the Signal Intelligence Community and the Test & Measurement Industry.

All units are warranted for a period of one year against manufacturing defects in materials or workmanship, provided that the unit is returned to the manufacturer's designated facility. This warranty is specifically limited to the repair or replacement of the unit, and does not include liability for consequential damages or physical damage caused by other parties.

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