Spectrum Defender[®] Model SD-3863



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Model SD-3863, part of Spectra Lab's Spectrum Defender family, is an RF Record and Playback instrument that allows you to **capture and reproduce two synchronized RF channels anywhere in the spectrum between 30MHz and 26.5GHz**.

Model SD-3863 captures every single pulse and transient signal with the highest fidelity and dynamic range, including all signals, noise, interference, and jamming. Unlike traditional RF Recorders, you can immediately review your recordings on screen and check the quality of the signals you've captured. You can also easily share recordings with your colleagues with multiple options for high-speed data export and offload.

Applications for this model include: stimulus – response observation of RADAR signals, Electronic Warfare (EW) signal characterization, academic research and collaboration, and SATCOM and radio astronomy.





Each of the RF channels can capture or reproduce an ultra-wide 1GHz instantaneous bandwidth (IBW). You can configure the two channels to be time aligned, phase coherent, or fully phase aligned. This instrument is perfect for analyzing interactions between signals in different parts of the spectrum or observing RADAR stimulus-response scenarios.



Model SD-3863 can be ordered in a rollaround rack for easy transport between test areas. This portability allows you to share a single instrument across multiple test programs and applications, ensuring you get maximum return from your investment.

Benefits

- Know everything that's happening in the spectrum
- Bring complex and dynamic field signals into a controlled lab environment
- Capture signals for offline analysis, characterization, and classification
- Explore and collect wide swaths of spectrum
- Collect and share signals to certify system performance
- Share captured RF signals with colleagues

Key Features

- Two channel RF Record and Playback
- 30 MHz to 26.5 GHz tuning range
- 1GHz/channel continuous IQ streaming
- 2GHz/channel short duration IQ capture/generation
- Time aligned, phase-coherent, and phase-aligned inter-channel sync modes
- Start trigger on external pulse or IRIG/GPS/PC time
- Signal Trove[™] storage option for 12 hours of rec/play at 1GHz/channel
- Operator control via Graphical User Interface (GUI)
- Programmatic control via Application Programming Interface (API)

Specifications

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n Trigger Sources				
Manual Trigger Sources	Operator button press on Graphical User Interface			
Time of Day Trigger Sources	IRIG GPS Local PC clock			
Pulse Triggers	Positive or negative edge (+3.3V TTL levels; +5V tolerant)			
S Timing Sources				
Internal Timebase	Internal 10MHz OCXO			
External Timebase	External 10MHz sinewave Additional external timebase possible (contact factory)			
Time of Day	GPS antenna (L1 only, non-contested/clear sky) IRIG-B 12X(AM) or IRIG-B 00X(DC), per IRIG 200-04 standard			
	IEEE-1588 Ethernet possible (contact factory)			
Input/Output				
RF Inputs and Outputs	N-Type Female (4x) SMA and other connector types possible (contact factory)			
10MHz Input	BNC Female (1x)			
IRIG-B	BNC female (1x)			
GPS Antenna	TNC female (1x)			
Ext Pulse	BNC female (1x)			
Gigabit network	RJ45 Jack (2x)			
10GigE network	SFP+ and fiber (2x) Contact factory to specify single or multimode fiber			
Primary display/video	Display Port 1.2 (1x)			
Keyboard, mouse, other PC peripherals	USB 2.0 (Qty 4x) USB 3.2 Gen 1 (Qty 2x)			
Other PC peripherals	RS-232 on DB9 Thunderbolt 3, Type C (2x) IEEE-488 GPIB, mini-GPIB (1x)			
Contact the factory when ordering to customize connector types.				
Power				
Connection	NEMA 5-15 Plug			
Voltage/frequency	120VAC/60Hz			
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Operating Temperature

0 deg. C to +40 deg. C

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