

# R&S®SMA100A

## Signal Generator

### Specifications



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# Key features

## Excellent signal quality

- Very low SSB phase noise of typ.  $-134$  dBc (20 kHz carrier offset,  $f = 1$  GHz, 1 Hz measurement bandwidth), typ.  $-139.5$  dBc with the enhanced phase noise performance option (R&S®SMA-B22)
- Wideband noise of  $-162$  dBc (meas.) with carrier offset  $> 40$  MHz,  $f = 1$  GHz, level =  $9$  dBm, 1 Hz measurement bandwidth
- Nonharmonics of  $< -96$  dBc (carrier offset  $> 10$  kHz,  $f < 750$  MHz, with the R&S®SMA-B22 option)
- High-stability reference oscillator as standard
- Very low phase noise at low frequencies due to internal division of the fundamental frequency range (750 MHz to 1500 MHz) down to 6.6 MHz

## Ideal for use in production

- Very short frequency/level setting times of  $< 1.5$  ms/1 ms (meas.) across the entire frequency and level range,  $< 450$   $\mu$ s in List mode
- Fast Hopping mode with flexibly addressable frequency and level pairs, as fast as normal List mode
- Frequency setting time of typ.  $< 10$   $\mu$ s within a bandwidth of up to 80 MHz due to direct access to the DDS-based synthesizer (with the R&S®SMA-B20 or -B22 option; FM EXTERNAL DIGITAL mode)
- Very high level accuracy and repeatability
- High output power of up to +18 dBm, overrange up to +28 dBm
- Electronic attenuator with built-in overvoltage protection over entire frequency range
- Minimum space requirements due to compact size (only two height units)

## Aerospace and defense applications

- Pulse modulator with excellent characteristics (on/off ratio of  $> 100$  dB (meas.) for  $f < 5.5$  GHz, rise/fall time typ.  $< 7$  ns)
- Pulse generator integrated as standard
- Optional high-performance pulse generator with minimum pulse width of 10 ns (R&S®SMA-K23)
- Optional generation of versatile pulse sequences/pulse trains (R&S®SMA-K27)
- Optional chirp modulation (R&S®SMA-B20 or R&S®SMA-B22)
- Optional VOR/ILS modulation (R&S®SMA-K25)
- Optional DME modulation/analysis (R&S®SMA-K26)
- Optional operating altitude up to 4600 m (R&S®SMA-B46)
- Optional removable mass storage (CompactFlash™ card, R&S®SMA-B80)

## All-purpose instrument

- Frequency range of 9 kHz to 3 GHz (R&S®SMA-B103/R&S®SMA-B103L) or 6 GHz (R&S®SMA-B106/R&S®SMA-B106L)
- Frequency, level and LF sweeps
- Phase-continuous frequency setting
- AM, broadband FM/φM (R&S®SMA-B20 or R&S®SMA-B22), pulse modulation
- Built-in LF generator up to 1 MHz, optional multifunction generator (R&S®SMA-K24) up to 10 MHz
- Optional low-jitter clock synthesizer up to 1.5 GHz (R&S®SMA-B29)
- Power measurement using R&S®NRP-Zxx power sensors
- Optional power analysis (R&S®SMA-K28) using R&S®NRP-Zxx power sensors for scalar network analysis or automatic pulse parameter measurement

## Intuitive operating concept and versatile interfaces

- Color display with  $480 \times 272$  pixels
- Intuitive user interface with graphical display of signal flow (block diagram)
- Context-sensitive online help
- Remote control via GPIB, LAN or USB
- Selectable control language (SCPI or remote control emulation of various signal generators)
- Remote operation by browser (or VNC client)
- USB connectors (e.g. for keyboard, mouse, memory stick)
- Support of R&S®NRP-Zxx power sensors for precise power measurements

# Definitions

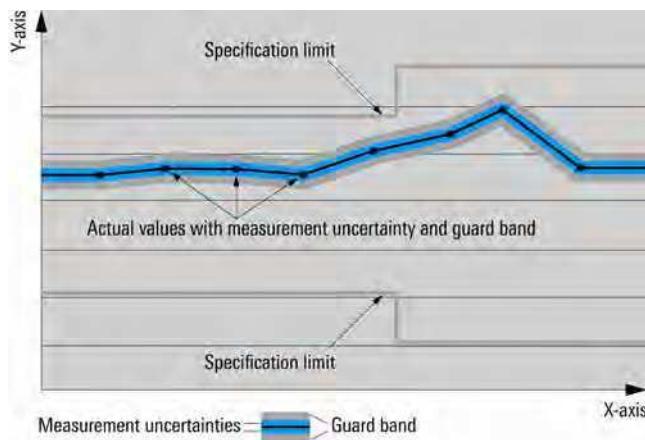
## General

Product data applies under the following conditions:

- Three hours storage at ambient temperature followed by 30 minutes warm-up operation
- Specified environmental conditions met
- Recommended calibration interval adhered to
- All internal automatic adjustments performed, if applicable
- Level within specified level range

## Specifications with limits

Represent warranted product performance by means of a range of values for the specified parameter. These specifications are marked with limiting symbols such as  $<$ ,  $\leq$ ,  $>$ ,  $\geq$ ,  $\pm$ , or descriptions such as maximum, limit of, minimum. Compliance is ensured by testing or is derived from the design. Test limits are narrowed by guard bands to take into account measurement uncertainties, drift and aging, if applicable.



## Specifications without limits

Represent warranted product performance for the specified parameter. These specifications are not specially marked and represent values with no or negligible deviations from the given value (e.g. dimensions or resolution of a setting parameter). Compliance is ensured by design.

## Typical data (typ.)

Characterizes product performance by means of representative information for the given parameter. When marked with  $<$ ,  $>$  or as a range, it represents the performance met by approximately 80 % of the instruments at production time. Otherwise, it represents the mean value.

## Nominal values (nom.)

Characterize product performance by means of a representative value for the given parameter (e.g. nominal impedance). In contrast to typical data, a statistical evaluation does not take place and the parameter is not tested during production.

## Measured values (meas.)

Characterize expected product performance by means of measurement results gained from individual samples.

## Uncertainties

Represent limits of measurement uncertainty for a given measurand. Uncertainty is defined with a coverage factor of 2 and has been calculated in line with the rules of the Guide to the Expression of Uncertainty in Measurement (GUM), taking into account environmental conditions, aging, wear and tear.

Typical data as well as nominal and measured values are not warranted by Rohde & Schwarz.

# Specifications

Specifications only valid for levels within specified level range.

## RF performance

### Frequency

Range	R&S®SMA-B103/-B103L R&S®SMA-B106/-B106L	9 kHz to 3 GHz 9 kHz to 6 GHz
Resolution of setting		0.01 Hz
Resolution of synthesis	fundamental frequency range 750 MHz to 1500 MHz standard with R&S®SMA-B22 option	
Setting time	to within $< 1 \times 10^{-7}$ for $f > 6.6$ MHz or $< 35$ Hz for $f < 6.6$ MHz no relay switchover after IEC/IEEE bus delimiter in ALC OFF S&H mode after trigger pulse in List mode or Fast Hopping mode	
Resolution of phase offset setting		adjustable in 0.1° steps
Multiplier for phase-continuous frequency setting	$f \leq 6.6$ MHz $6.6$ MHz $< f \leq 11.71875$ MHz $11.71875$ MHz $< f \leq 23.4375$ MHz $23.4375$ MHz $< f \leq 46.875$ MHz $46.875$ MHz $< f \leq 93.75$ MHz $93.75$ MHz $< f \leq 187.5$ MHz $187.5$ MHz $< f \leq 375$ MHz $375$ MHz $< f \leq 750$ MHz $750$ MHz $< f \leq 1500$ MHz $1500$ MHz $< f \leq 3$ GHz $f > 3$ GHz	$rm = 1/2$ $rm = 1/128$ $rm = 1/64$ $rm = 1/32$ $rm = 1/16$ $rm = 1/8$ $rm = 1/4$ $rm = 1/2$ $rm = 1$ $rm = 2$ $rm = 4$
Phase-continuous frequency setting range		$rm \times 1$ MHz (nom.)
	with R&S®SMA-B22 option narrow mode wide mode	$rm \times 5$ MHz $rm \times 20$ MHz
Max. phase-continuous frequency step		$rm \times 2$ kHz (nom.)
	with R&S®SMA-B22 option	$rm \times 100$ kHz (nom.)

### Frequency sweep

Operating mode		digital sweep in discrete steps
Trigger modes	execute sweep continuously with internal trigger source execute one full sweep execute one step sweep start and stop controlled by external trigger signal	auto single step start/stop
Trigger source	internal external	timer external trigger signal (INST TRIG at rear), rotary knob, remote control
Trigger slope	external trigger signal	positive, negative
Sweep range		full frequency range
Sweep shape		sawtooth, triangle
Step size	linear logarithmic	full frequency range 0.01 % to 100 % per step
Dwell time setting range		10 ms to 10 s
Dwell time setting resolution		0.1 ms

## Reference frequency

Frequency error	at time of calibration in production	$< 1 \times 10^{-8}$
	with R&S®SMA-B22 option	$< 5 \times 10^{-9}$
Aging	after 10 days of uninterrupted operation	$\leq 1 \times 10^{-9}/\text{day}, \leq 1 \times 10^{-7}/\text{year}$
	with R&S®SMA-B22 option	$\leq 5 \times 10^{-10}/\text{day}, \leq 3 \times 10^{-8}/\text{year}$
Maximum temperature effect	in temperature range 0 °C to +50 °C	$\pm 6 \times 10^{-8}$
	with R&S®SMA-B22 option	$\pm 6 \times 10^{-9}$
Warm-up time	to nominal thermostat temperature	$\leq 10 \text{ min}$

### Output for internal reference frequency

Connector type	REF OUT on rear panel	BNC female
Output frequency	sine wave	10 MHz or external input frequency
Output level		2 dBm to 8 dBm 5 dBm to 7 dBm (typ.)
Source impedance		50 Ω (nom.)

### Input for external reference frequency

Connector type	REF IN on rear panel	BNC female
Input frequency		5 MHz, 10 MHz or 13 MHz
Min. frequency locking range		$\pm 3 \times 10^{-6}$
	with R&S®SMA-B22 option	$\pm 1.5 \times 10^{-7}$
Input level range	level limits	$\geq -6 \text{ dBm}, \leq 19 \text{ dBm}$
	recommended input level	0 dBm to 19 dBm
Input impedance		50 Ω (nom.)

### Input for electronic tuning of internal reference frequency

Connector type	EXT TUNE on rear panel	BNC female
Sensitivity		$0.5 \times 10^{-8}/\text{V}$ to $3 \times 10^{-8}/\text{V}$ $1 \times 10^{-8}/\text{V}$ to $2 \times 10^{-8}/\text{V}$ (typ.)
	with R&S®SMA-B22 option	$5 \times 10^{-9}/\text{V}$ to $2 \times 10^{-8}/\text{V}$ $8 \times 10^{-9}/\text{V}$ to $9.5 \times 10^{-9}/\text{V}$ (typ.)
Input voltage		-10 V to +10 V
	Input impedance	10 kΩ (nom.)
	with R&S®SMA-B22 option	5 kΩ (nom.)

## Level

The R&S®SMA100A has three different modes for level setting:

**NORMAL mode:** In this mode, the attenuator switches without wear and tear due to the exclusive use of electronic switches. The maximum specified level depends on the set frequency (see table below).

**HIGH POWER mode:** In this mode, the electronic attenuator is bypassed with mechanical relays for high output power (up to typ. 28 dBm overrange). The relays are not switched over in this mode. The typical minimum level is -11 dBm.

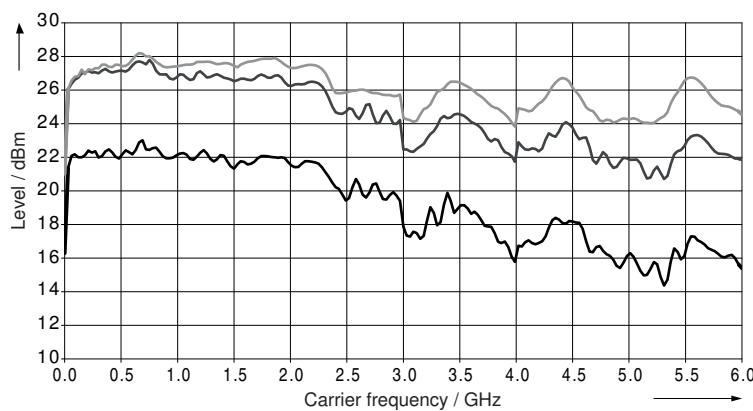
**AUTO mode:** In this mode, the mechanical relay bypass is switched automatically if the set level is higher than the specified max. level in the NORMAL mode. The output level is specified over the full range from -120 dBm up to +18 dBm (+15 dBm for R&S®SMA-B106).

The R&S®SMA100A is also available without attenuator (R&S®SMA-B103L and R&S®SMA-B106L) options.

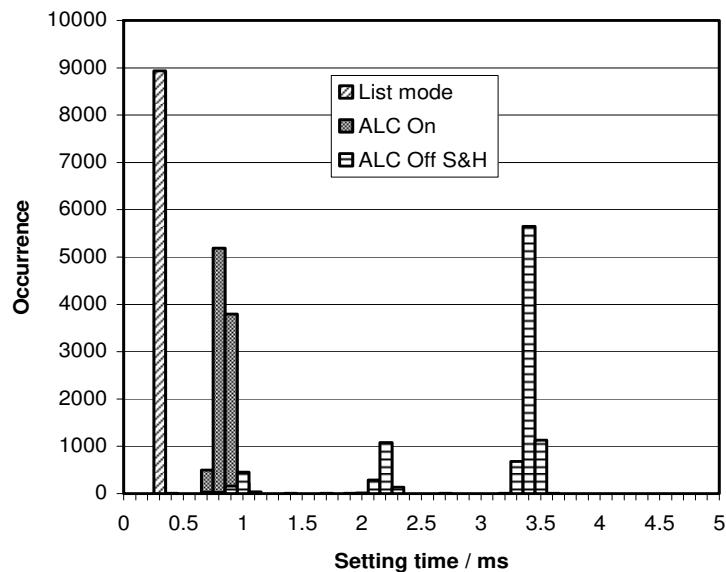
Setting range	with electronic attenuator (R&S®SMA-B103/-B106 option)	-145 dBm to +30 dBm
	without attenuator (R&S®SMA-B103L/-B106L option)	-20 dBm to +30 dBm
Specified level range with R&S®SMA-B103/-B106 frequency option	NORMAL mode	
	100 kHz < f ≤ 200 kHz	-120 dBm to +11 dBm (PEP) <sup>1</sup>
	200 kHz < f ≤ 3 GHz	-120 dBm to +13 dBm (PEP)
	f > 3 GHz	-120 dBm to +9 dBm (PEP)
	AUTO mode	
	100 kHz < f ≤ 30 MHz	-120 dBm to +16 dBm (PEP)
	30 MHz < f ≤ 3 GHz	-120 dBm to +18 dBm (PEP)
	f > 3 GHz	-120 dBm to +15 dBm (PEP)
	AUTO mode	
	100 kHz < f ≤ 30 MHz	+12 dBm to +17 dBm (PEP)
Specified level range with R&S®SMA-B103L/-B106L frequency option	30 MHz < f ≤ 3 GHz	+12 dBm to +19 dBm (PEP)
	f > 3 GHz	+10 dBm to +17 dBm (PEP)
	Resolution of setting	0.01 dB (nom.)

<sup>1</sup> PEP = peak envelope power.

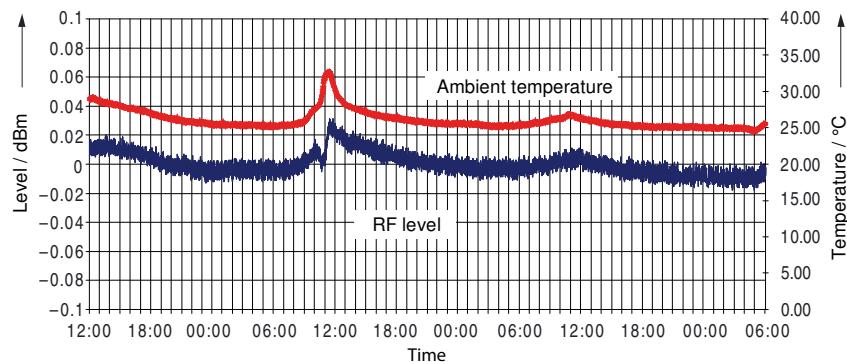
Level error	ALC state ON, attenuator mode AUTO, temperature range +18 °C to +33 °C		
	100 kHz < f ≤ 3 GHz	< 0.5 dB	
Additional level error with ALC OFF S&H	f > 3 GHz	< 0.9 dB	
	after "search once" and under stable temperature conditions		< 0.3 dB
Output impedance VSWR in 50 Ω system with R&S®SMA-B103/-B106 frequency option	NORMAL mode, ALC state ON		
	6.6 MHz < f ≤ 3 GHz	< 1.65	
Output impedance VSWR in 50 Ω system with R&S®SMA-B103L/-B106L frequency option	f > 3 GHz	< 1.9	
	HIGH POWER mode, ALC state ON		
Setting time	6.6 MHz < f ≤ 3 GHz	< 1.75	
	f > 3 GHz	< 1.9	
without attenuator, ALC state ON			
	6.6 MHz < f ≤ 3 GHz	< 1.9	
Setting time	f > 3 GHz	< 2.3	
	with GUI update stopped, attenuator mode AUTO, temperature range +18 °C to +33 °C		
Setting time	to < 0.1 dB deviation from final value, no relay switchover		
	ALC state ON, after IEC/IEEE bus delimiter	< 1.5 ms	
Setting time	ALC state OFF, after IEC/IEEE bus delimiter	< 5 ms	
	in List mode or Fast Hopping mode, after trigger impulse, f > 6.6 MHz		< 450 μs
Setting time	to < 0.3 dB deviation from final value, relay switchover in attenuator mode AUTO		
	after IEC/IEEE bus delimiter	< 10 ms	
Interruption-free level setting range	with attenuator mode FIXED, ALC state ON		> 20 dB
Reverse power (from 50 Ω source)	maximum permissible RF power in output frequency range of RF path for f > 1 MHz		
	with R&S®SMA-B103/-B106 option		
Maximum permissible DC voltage	1 MHz < f ≤ 3 GHz	50 W	
	3 GHz < f < 6 GHz	10 W	
Maximum permissible DC voltage	with R&S®SMA-B103L/-B106L option		0.05 W
	with R&S®SMA-B103/-B106 option	50 V	
	with R&S®SMA-B103L/-B106L option	5 V	



Maximum available power, attenuator mode NORMAL (lower trace) or HIGH POWER (center trace) and without attenuator (upper trace).



Histogram of level setting times for different ALC states and List mode (meas.).



R&amp;S®SMA100A level repeatability at 2.1 GHz, 0 dBm, ALC ON.

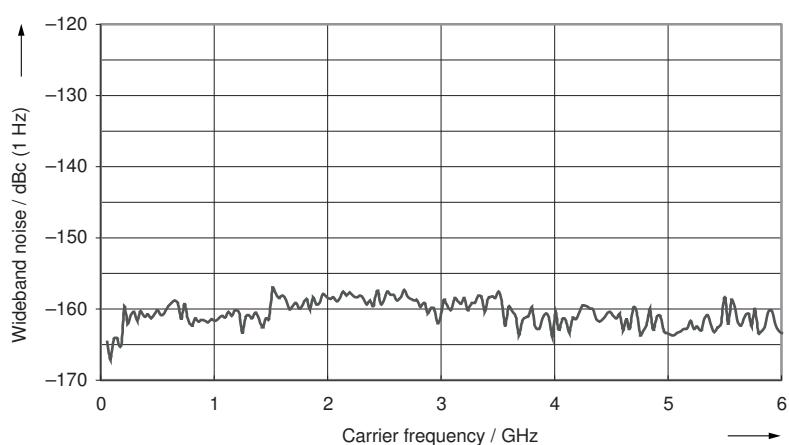
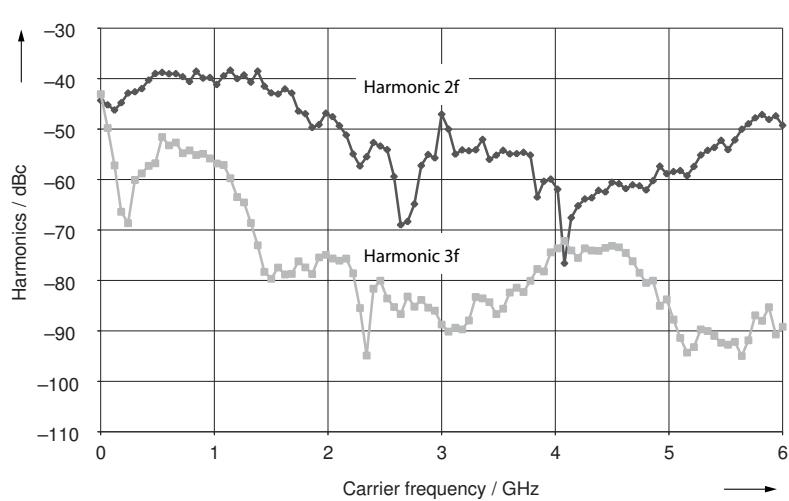
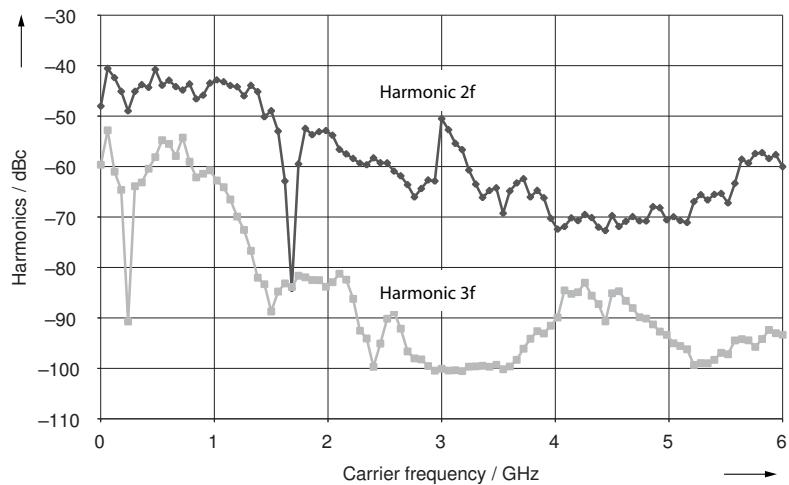
## Level sweep

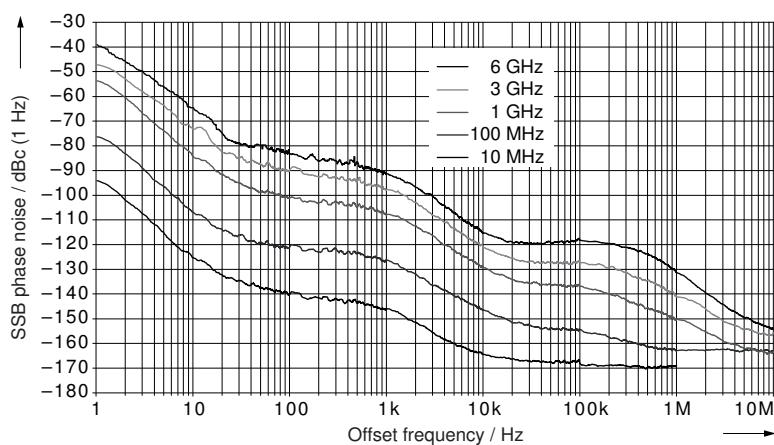
Operating mode	digital sweep in discrete steps	
Trigger modes	execute sweep continuously with internal trigger source	auto
	execute one full sweep	single
	execute one step	step
	sweep start and stop controlled by external trigger signal	start/stop
Trigger source	internal	timer
	external	external trigger signal (INST TRIG at rear), rotary knob, remote control
Trigger slope	positive, negative	
Sweep range	with R&S®SMA-B103/-B106 option, attenuator mode AUTO The relay switching threshold (= maximum specified level of attenuator mode NORMAL) must not be exceeded during a sweep.	level range of attenuator modes NORMAL or HIGH POWER
	with R&S®SMA-B103L/-B106L option	full level range
	interruption-free level sweep with attenuator mode FIXED	0.01 dB to 30 dB
Sweep shape	sawtooth, triangle	
Step size setting resolution	0.01 dB	
Dwell time setting range	10 ms to 10 s	
Dwell time setting resolution	0.1 ms	

## Spectral purity

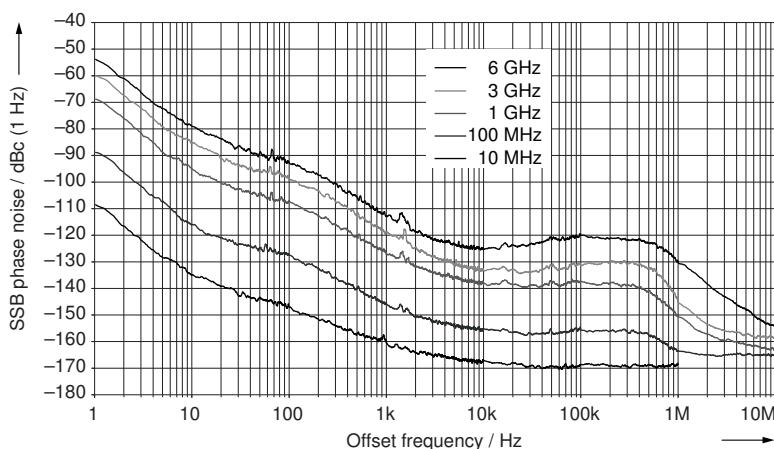
Harmonics	for $f > 1 \text{ MHz}$ , CW with R&S®SMA-B103/-B106	
	AUTO/NORMAL mode, level $\leq 9 \text{ dBm}$	$< -30 \text{ dBc}$
	HIGH POWER mode, level $\leq 14 \text{ dBm}$	$< -30 \text{ dBc}$
	with R&S®SMA-B103L/-B106L level $\leq 15 \text{ dBm}$	$< -30 \text{ dBc}$
	CW, level $> -10 \text{ dBm}$ carrier offset $> 10 \text{ kHz}$	
Nonharmonics	$f \leq 1500 \text{ MHz}$	$< -80 \text{ dBc}$
	$1500 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 3 \text{ GHz}$	$< -74 \text{ dBc}$
	$f > 3 \text{ GHz}$	$< -68 \text{ dBc}$
	carrier offset $> 850 \text{ kHz}$	
	$f \leq 1500 \text{ MHz}$	$< -86 \text{ dBc}$
	$1500 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 3 \text{ GHz}$	$< -80 \text{ dBc}$
	$f > 3 \text{ GHz}$	$< -74 \text{ dBc}$
Nonharmonics with R&S®SMA-B22 option	CW, level $> -10 \text{ dBm}$ carrier offset $> 10 \text{ kHz}$	
	$f \leq 750 \text{ MHz}$	$< -96 \text{ dBc}$
	$750 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 1500 \text{ MHz}$	$< -90 \text{ dBc}$
	$1500 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 3 \text{ GHz}$	$< -84 \text{ dBc}$
	$f > 3 \text{ GHz}$	$< -78 \text{ dBc}$
Subharmonics	$f \leq 1500 \text{ MHz}$	none
	$f > 1500 \text{ MHz}$	$< -74 \text{ dBc}$
Wideband noise	attenuator mode AUTO, for level $> 10 \text{ dBm}$ with R&S®SMA-B10xL, for level $> 5 \text{ dBm}$ with R&S®SMA-B10x, carrier offset $> 10 \text{ MHz}$ , measurement bandwidth 1 Hz, CW	
	$9 \text{ kHz} \leq f \leq 6.6 \text{ MHz}$	$< -147 \text{ dBc}$
	$6.6 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 750 \text{ MHz}$	$< -152 \text{ dBc}$
	$750 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 1500 \text{ MHz}$	$< -153 \text{ dBc}$
	$1.5 \text{ GHz} < f \leq 3 \text{ GHz}$	$< -150 \text{ dBc}$
	$f > 3 \text{ GHz}$	$< -148 \text{ dBc}$
	CW, carrier offset 20 kHz, measurement bandwidth 1 Hz	
SSB phase noise	$f \leq 6.6 \text{ MHz}$	$-147 \text{ dBc} \text{ (meas.)}$
	$f = 100 \text{ MHz}$	$< -147 \text{ dBc}, -153 \text{ dBc} \text{ (typ.)}$
	$f = 1 \text{ GHz}$	$< -131 \text{ dBc}, -134 \text{ dBc} \text{ (typ.)}$
	$f = 2 \text{ GHz}$	$< -125 \text{ dBc}, -128 \text{ dBc} \text{ (typ.)}$
	$f = 3 \text{ GHz}$	$< -121 \text{ dBc}, -124.5 \text{ dBc} \text{ (typ.)}$
	$f = 4 \text{ GHz}$	$< -119 \text{ dBc}, -121 \text{ dBc} \text{ (typ.)}$
	$f = 6 \text{ GHz}$	$< -115 \text{ dBc}, -118 \text{ dBc} \text{ (typ.)}$
SSB phase noise with R&S®SMA-B22 option	CW, carrier offset 20 kHz, measurement bandwidth 1 Hz	
	$f \leq 6.6 \text{ MHz}$	$-151 \text{ dBc} \text{ (meas.)}$
	$f = 100 \text{ MHz}$	$< -151 \text{ dBc}, -155.5 \text{ dBc} \text{ (typ.)}$
	$f = 1 \text{ GHz}$	$< -136 \text{ dBc}, -139.5 \text{ dBc} \text{ (typ.)}$
	$f = 2 \text{ GHz}$	$< -130 \text{ dBc}, -133 \text{ dBc} \text{ (typ.)}$
	$f = 3 \text{ GHz}$	$< -126 \text{ dBc}, -131.5 \text{ dBc} \text{ (typ.)}$
	$f = 4 \text{ GHz}$	$< -123 \text{ dBc}, -127 \text{ dBc} \text{ (typ.)}$
RMS jitter	$f = 1 \text{ GHz}$ BW = 1 Hz to 10 MHz	430 fs (430 $\mu\text{UI}$ ) (meas.)
	$f = 155 \text{ MHz}$ BW = 100 Hz to 1.5 MHz	60 fs (9 $\mu\text{UI}$ ) (meas.)
	$f = 622 \text{ MHz}$ BW = 1 kHz to 5 MHz	36 fs (22 $\mu\text{UI}$ ) (meas.)
	$f = 2.488 \text{ GHz}$ BW = 5 kHz to 15 MHz	22 fs (55 $\mu\text{UI}$ ) (meas.)
RMS jitter with R&S®SMA-B22 option	$f = 1 \text{ GHz}$ BW = 1 Hz to 10 MHz	72 fs (72 $\mu\text{UI}$ ) (meas.)
	$f = 155 \text{ MHz}$ BW = 100 Hz to 1.5 MHz	25 fs (3.8 $\mu\text{UI}$ ) (meas.)
	$f = 622 \text{ MHz}$ BW = 1 kHz to 5 MHz	21 fs (13 $\mu\text{UI}$ ) (meas.)
	$f = 2.488 \text{ GHz}$ BW = 5 kHz to 15 MHz	19 fs (47 $\mu\text{UI}$ ) (meas.)

Residual FM	RMS value at $f = 1 \text{ GHz}$	
	0.3 kHz to 3 kHz, weighted (ITU-T)	< 1 Hz
	0.03 kHz to 23 kHz	< 4 Hz
Residual AM	level = 0 dBm RMS value (0.03 kHz to 20 kHz)	< 0.02 %

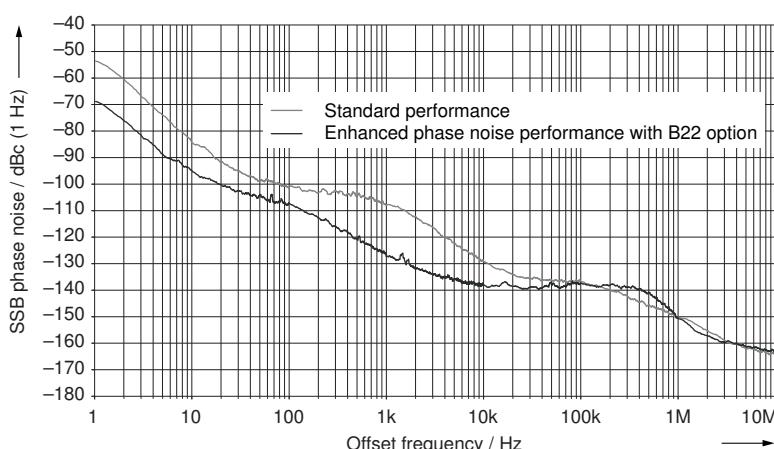




*Measured SSB phase noise with internal reference oscillator (standard instrument).*

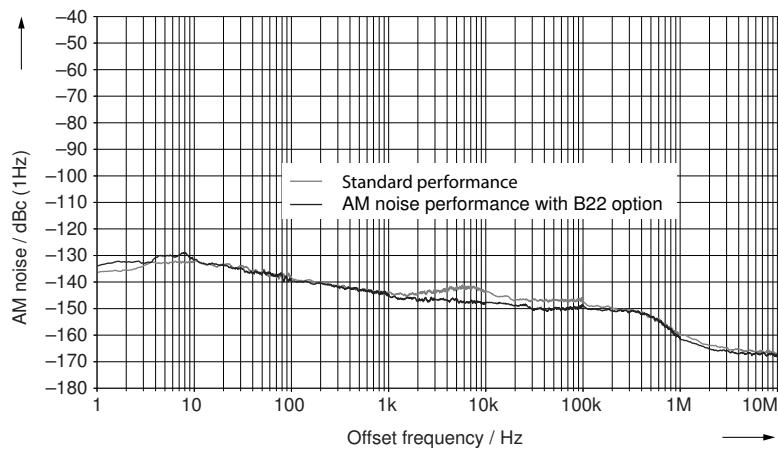


*Measured SSB phase noise with internal reference oscillator  
(with R&S®SMA-B22 enhanced phase noise performance and FM/φM modulator option).*



*Measured SSB phase noise,  $f = 1$  GHz, comparison of standard performance  
and performance with R&S®SMA-B22 option.*

Carrier frequency in MHz	measured phase noise in dBc (1 Hz) with R&S®SMA-B22 option							
	frequency offset from carrier	1 Hz	10 Hz	100 Hz	1 kHz	10 kHz	100 kHz	1 MHz
0.1 to 6.6	-100	-110	-130	-142	-150	-152	-155	-
6.6 to 15.625	-103	-131	-144	-160	-167	-167	-169	-169
15.625 to 23.4375	-99	-127	-140	-159	-165	-167	-169	-169
23.4375 to 31.25	-97	-125	-138	-156	-162	-164	-168	-168
31.25 to 46.875	-93	-121	-134	-152	-162	-162	-167	-167
46.875 to 62.5	-91	-119	-132	-150	-159	-160	-165	-165
62.5 to 93.75	-87	-115	-128	-147	-158	-159	-165	-165
93.75 to 125	-85	-113	-126	-144	-154	-155	-163	-165
125 to 187.5	-81	-109	-122	-141	-151	-153	-161	-162
187.5 to 250	-79	-107	-120	-139	-148	-149	-159	-162
250 to 375	-75	-103	-116	-136	-148	-147	-158	-161
375 to 500	-73	-101	-114	-133	-143	-143	-155	-161
500 to 750	-69	-97	-110	-130	-143	-142	-154	-160
750 to 1000	-67	-95	-108	-127	-138	-137	-150	-163
1000 to 1500	-63	-91	-104	-124	-138	-136	-149	-162
1500 to 2000	-61	-89	-102	-121	-132	-131	-144	-158
2000 to 3000	-57	-85	-98	-118	-132	-131	-143	-158
3000 to 4000	-55	-83	-96	-116	-127	-124	-134	-156
4000 to 6000	-51	-79	-92	-112	-125	-120	-130	-154



Measured AM noise,  $f = 1 \text{ GHz}$ , level = +14 dBm, ALC ON, comparison of standard performance and performance with R&S®SMA-B22 option.

## List mode

Frequency and level values can be stored in a list and set in an extremely short amount of time.

Trigger modes	execute list continuously with internal trigger source execute list once execute one step use of addressable frequency/level pairs (Fast Hopping mode) with immediate internal trigger with external trigger	auto single step  external hop, direct external hop
Trigger source	internal	timer
	external	external trigger signal (INST TRIG at rear), rotary knob, remote control, fast hopping bus
Trigger slope	external trigger signal	positive, negative
Max. number of stored settings		2000
Dwell time setting range		1 ms to 1 s
Dwell time setting resolution		0.1 ms
Setting time	after external trigger	see frequency and level data

## Analog modulation

### Possible modulation types

Amplitude modulation, frequency modulation, phase modulation, pulse modulation, chirped pulses, avionics modulation (DME, VOR, ILS, MKR BCN, ADF).

### Simultaneous modulation

	Amplitude modulation	Frequency modulation	Phase modulation	Pulse modulation	DME modulation
<b>Amplitude modulation</b>		+	+	(+)	(+)
<b>Frequency modulation</b>	+		-	+	-
<b>Phase modulation</b>	+	-		+	-
<b>Pulse modulation</b>	(+)	+	+		-

+ = compatible, (+) = compatible with limitations, - = incompatible.

With chirped pulses and certain types of avionics modulation (VOR, ILS, MKR BCN, ADF), simultaneous modulation is not possible.

### Amplitude modulation

For  $f \geq 100$  kHz, attenuator mode AUTO, level (PEP)<sup>1</sup> within specified level range.

Modulation source		internal, external, internal + external
External coupling		AC, DC
AM depth setting range	At high levels, modulation is clipped when the maximum PEP is reached.	0 % to 100 %
Resolution of setting		0.1 %
AM depth (m) error	$f_{mod} = 1$ kHz and $m < 80$ %	< (3 % of reading + 1 %)
AM distortion	$f_{mod} = 1$ kHz	
	$m = 30$ %	< 1 %
	$m = 80$ %	< 2 %
Modulation frequency response	$m = 60$ %, up to 100 kHz	< 3 dB
Incidental φM at AM	$m = 30$ %, $f_{mod} = 1$ kHz, ±peak/2	< 0.1 rad

**Frequency modulation (R&S®SMA-B20 or R&S®SMA-B22 option)**

FM multiplier (rm) for different frequency ranges	$f \leq 46.875 \text{ MHz}$	rm = 1/2 (all modes except LOW NOISE)
	$f \leq 6.6 \text{ MHz}$	rm = 1/2 (only in LOW NOISE mode)
	$6.6 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 11.71875 \text{ MHz}$	rm = 1/128 (only in LOW NOISE mode)
	$11.71875 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 23.4375 \text{ MHz}$	rm = 1/64 (only in LOW NOISE mode)
	$23.4375 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 46.875 \text{ MHz}$	rm = 1/32 (only in LOW NOISE mode)
	$46.875 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 93.75 \text{ MHz}$	rm = 1/16
	$93.75 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 187.5 \text{ MHz}$	rm = 1/8
	$187.5 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 375 \text{ MHz}$	rm = 1/4
	$375 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 750 \text{ MHz}$	rm = 1/2
	$750 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 1500 \text{ MHz}$	rm = 1
	$1500 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 3 \text{ GHz}$	rm = 2
	$f > 3 \text{ GHz}$	rm = 4
Modulation source		internal, external, internal + external, external digital
External coupling		AC, DC
Operating modes		FM mode NORMAL
	with R&S®SMA-B22 option	FM mode NORMAL FM mode LOW NOISE
Maximum deviation	FM mode NORMAL	$\text{rm} \times 10 \text{ MHz}$
	FM mode LOW NOISE	$\text{rm} \times 100 \text{ kHz}$
Resolution of setting		< 0.02 % of set deviation min. rm × 0.1 Hz
FM deviation error	$f_{\text{mod}} = 10 \text{ kHz}$ , deviation ≤ half of max. deviation	
	internal	< (1.5 % of reading + 20 Hz)
	external, high input impedance	< (2 % of reading + 20 Hz)
FM distortion	$f_{\text{mod}} = 10 \text{ kHz}$ , deviation = rm × 1 MHz	< 0.1 %
Modulation frequency response	FM mode NORMAL (DC/AC coupling), 50 Ω input impedance	
	DC/10 Hz to 100 kHz	< 0.5 dB
	DC/10 Hz to 10 MHz	< 3 dB
	FM mode LOW NOISE (DC/AC coupling), 50 Ω input impedance	
	DC/10 Hz to 100 kHz	< 3 dB
Synchronous AM with FM	40 kHz deviation, $f_{\text{mod}} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	
	$f > 5 \text{ MHz}$	< 0.1 %
	$f > 3 \text{ GHz}$	< 0.2 %
Carrier frequency offset with FM DC	after FM offset calibration	
	50 Ω input impedance	< 0.2 % of set deviation

## Chirped pulses (R&S®SMA-B20 or R&S®SMA-B22 option)

The R&S®SMA100A always uses chirp modulation together with pulse modulation. When chirp modulation is activated, the ALC state of the instrument is automatically changed to ALC OFF (sample & hold). In this state, the ALC loop is opened and the output level is set directly.

In order to set the correct output level, a sample & hold measurement is performed after each frequency or level setting.

In the following cases, the nominal ON level is present for nominally 3 ms to 5 ms during a sample & hold measurement after level or frequency setting:

- No attenuator is installed (R&S®SMA-B103L/R&S®SMA-B106L frequency option)
- In HIGH POWER mode
- In AUTO mode if the level is in the high power range, i.e. the mechanical relay bypass is switched

Otherwise, the level is decreased by 30 dB during a sample & hold measurement.

Chirp bandwidth multiplier (rm) for different frequency ranges	f ≤ 46.875 MHz 46.875 MHz < f ≤ 93.75 MHz 93.75 MHz < f ≤ 187.5 MHz 187.5 MHz < f ≤ 375 MHz 375 MHz < f ≤ 750 MHz 750 MHz < f ≤ 1500 MHz 1500 MHz < f ≤ 3 GHz f > 3 GHz	rm = 1/2 rm = 1/16 rm = 1/8 rm = 1/4 rm = 1/2 rm = 1 rm = 2 rm = 4
Modulation source	pulse modulation frequency modulation (linear)	internal pulse generator internal modulation generator
Trigger modes	continuous trigger with internal trigger source	auto  externally triggered  externally gated
Trigger slope	external trigger signal	positive, negative
Gate polarity	external gate signal	normal, inverse
Input impedance	external trigger/gate signal	50 Ω, 10 kΩ (nom.)
Chirp direction		up, down
Maximum bandwidth		rm × 20 MHz
Pulse period setting range	with R&S®SMA-K23 option	5 μs to 100 s  1.1 μs to 100 s
Pulse width setting range	with R&S®SMA-K23 option	2 μs to 100 s pulse width < (pulse period – 1 μs)  100 ns to 100 s pulse width < (pulse period – 1 μs)
Pulse parameter setting resolution	with R&S®SMA-K23 option	1 μs  20 ns
Maximum chirp rate		rm × 10 MHz/μs (nom.)

### Phase modulation (R&S®SMA-B20 or R&S®SMA-B22 option)

$\phi M$ multiplier (rm) for different frequency ranges	$f \leq 46.875$ MHz	rm = 1/2 (all modes except LOW NOISE)
	$f \leq 6.6$ MHz	rm = 1/2 (only in LOW NOISE mode)
	$6.6 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 11.71875$ MHz	rm = 1/128 (only in LOW NOISE mode)
	$11.71875 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 23.4375$ MHz	rm = 1/64 (only in LOW NOISE mode)
	$23.4375 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 46.875$ MHz	rm = 1/32 (only in LOW NOISE mode)
	$46.875 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 93.75$ MHz	rm = 1/16
	$93.75 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 187.5$ MHz	rm = 1/8
	$187.5 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 375$ MHz	rm = 1/4
	$375 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 750$ MHz	rm = 1/2
	$750 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 1500$ MHz	rm = 1
	$1500 \text{ MHz} < f \leq 3$ GHz	rm = 2
	$f > 3$ GHz	rm = 4
Modulation source		internal, external, internal + external, external digital
External coupling		AC, DC
Operating modes		$\phi M$ mode HIGH DEVIATION, $\phi M$ mode HIGH BANDWIDTH
	with R&S®SMA-B22 option	$\phi M$ mode HIGH DEVIATION, $\phi M$ mode HIGH BANDWIDTH $\phi M$ mode LOW NOISE
Maximum deviation	$\phi M$ mode LOW NOISE	$rm \times 0.25$ rad
	$\phi M$ mode HIGH DEVIATION	$rm \times 20$ rad
	$\phi M$ mode HIGH BANDWIDTH	$rm \times 1$ rad
Resolution of setting	$\phi M$ mode LOW NOISE/HIGH DEVIATION	< 0.02 % of set deviation, min. rm $\times 20$ $\mu$ rad
	$\phi M$ mode HIGH BANDWIDTH	< 0.1 % of set deviation, min. rm $\times 20$ $\mu$ rad
$\phi M$ deviation error	$f_{mod} = 10$ kHz, deviation $\leq$ half of max. deviation	
	internal	< (1.5 % of reading + 0.003 rad)
	external, high input impedance	< (2 % of reading + 0.003 rad)
$\phi M$ distortion	$f_{mod} = 10$ kHz, half of max. deviation	< 0.2 %, < 0.1 % (typ.)
Modulation frequency response	$\phi M$ mode HIGH DEVIATION (DC/AC coupling), 50 $\Omega$ input impedance	
	deviation $\leq rm \times 5$ rad DC/10 Hz to 500 kHz	< 1 dB
	deviation $> rm \times 5$ rad DC/10 Hz to 10 kHz	< 1 dB
	$\phi M$ mode HIGH BANDWIDTH (DC/AC coupling), 50 $\Omega$ input impedance	
	DC/10 Hz to 100 kHz	< 0.5 dB
	DC/10 Hz to 10 MHz	< 3 dB
	$\phi M$ mode LOW NOISE (DC/AC coupling), 50 $\Omega$ input impedance	
	DC/10 Hz to 100 kHz	< 3 dB

### Pulse modulation

When pulse modulation is activated, the ALC state of the R&S®SMA100A is automatically changed to ALC OFF (sample & hold). In this state, the ALC loop is opened and the output level is set directly.

In order to set the correct output level, a sample & hold measurement is performed after each frequency or level setting.

In the following cases, the nominal ON level is present for nominally 3 ms to 5 ms during a sample & hold measurement after level or frequency setting:

- No attenuator is installed (R&S®SMA-B103L/R&S®SMA-B106L frequency option)
- In HIGH POWER mode
- In AUTO mode if the level is in the high power range, i.e. the mechanical relay bypass is switched

Otherwise, the level is decreased by 30 dB during a sample & hold measurement.

Modulation source		external, internal
On/off ratio		> 80 dB
Rise/fall time	$f > 180$ MHz 10 %/90 % of RF amplitude	< 20 ns, < 7 ns (typ.)
Pulse repetition frequency		0 Hz to 10 MHz
Video crosstalk	spectral line of fundamental of 100 kHz square-wave modulation	< -30 dBc

## VOR modulation (R&S®SMA-K25 option)

Attenuator mode AUTO, level (PEP)<sup>1</sup> within specified level range.

VOR specification valid for carrier frequency range from 108 MHz to 118 MHz.

<b>VOR operating modes</b>	generation of VOR signal	NORM
	30 Hz VAR tone	VAR
	9.96 kHz carrier, unmodulated	subcarrier
	9.96 kHz carrier, modulated	subcarrier + FM
<b>Modulation tones</b>		
Frequency error	30 Hz (VAR, REF)	< (0.005 Hz + relative deviation of reference frequency × 30 Hz)
Frequency setting range	30 Hz REF	10 Hz to 60 Hz
	9.96 kHz FM carrier	5 kHz to 15 kHz
	COM/ID tone	0.1 Hz to 20 kHz
Frequency setting resolution		0.1 Hz
FM deviation setting range	9.96 kHz FM carrier	0 Hz to 960 Hz
FM deviation setting resolution	9.96 kHz FM carrier	1 Hz
FM deviation error	9.96 kHz FM carrier at 480 Hz deviation	< 1 Hz
External AM tone	input connector	AM EXT
<b>Modulation depth</b>		
Sum of modulation depths of 30 Hz (VAR) signal, 9.96 kHz FM carrier, COM/ID and external AM signal must not exceed 100 %.		
AM depth setting range		0 % to 100 %
AM depth setting resolution		0.1 %
AM depth error	30 Hz (VAR, REF), 30 % AM depth	< 0.5 % AM depth
	9.96 kHz FM carrier, 30 % AM depth	< 0.5 % AM depth
	COM/ID, tone = 1020 Hz, depth = 10 %	< 0.5 % AM depth
External AM tone	sensitivity	0.01 V/%
<b>Bearing angle</b>		
Setting range		0° to 360°
	default setting	0.00°
Setting resolution		0.01°
Error		< 0.05°

## ILS modulation (R&S®SMA-K25 option)

Attenuator mode AUTO, level (PEP)<sup>1</sup> within specified level range.

ILS-LOC specification valid for carrier frequency range from 108 MHz to 118 MHz.

ILS-GS specification valid for carrier frequency range from 329 MHz to 335 MHz.

<b>ILS modulation</b>	generation of ILS localizer signal, COM/ID tone possible	ILS-LOC
	generation of ILS glideslope signal	ILS-GS
<b>ILS operating modes</b>	NORM	90 Hz + 150 Hz + COM/ID tone (ILS-LOC)
	90 Hz	suppression of 150 Hz modulation tone
	150 Hz	suppression of 90 Hz modulation tone
<b>ILS modulation tones</b>		
If the frequency of the 90 Hz or 150 Hz tone is varied, the other tone is automatically changed in proportion.		
Frequency error		< (0.02 Hz + relative deviation of reference frequency × ILS tone frequency)
Frequency setting range	90 Hz tone	60 Hz to 120 Hz
	150 Hz tone	100 Hz to 200 Hz
	COM/ID tone	0.1 Hz to 20 kHz
Frequency setting resolution	90 Hz tone	0.3 Hz
	150 Hz tone	0.5 Hz
	COM/ID tone	0.1 Hz
External AM tone	input connector	AM EXT
<b>Modulation depth</b>		
Sum of modulation depths of 90 Hz, 150 Hz, COM/ID and external AM signal must not exceed 100 %.		
Setting range	SDM of 90 Hz, 150 Hz, COM/ID tone	0 % to 100 %
	ILS-LOC default setting	40 %
	ILS-GS default setting	80 %
Setting resolution	SDM and COM/ID depth	0.1 %
AM depth error	SDM = 40 %	< 0.8 % AM depth
	SDM = 80 %	< 1.6 % AM depth
	COM/ID, tone = 1020 Hz, depth = 10 %	< 0.5 % AM depth
External AM tone	sensitivity	0.01 V/%

<b>Difference in depth of modulation (DDM)</b>		
Setting range		0 to $\pm$ SDM
Setting resolution		0.0001
Error		< 0.0003 + 2 % of DDM reading
<b>ILS phase</b>		
Setting range		0° to 120°
Setting resolution		0.01°
Error		< 0.05°

### Marker beacon (MKR BCN) (R&S®SMA-K25 option)

Attenuator mode AUTO, level (PEP) within specified level range.

MKR-BCN specification valid for carrier frequency range from 74 MHz to 76 MHz.

<b>Modulation tones</b>		
Frequency error		< (0.005 Hz + relative deviation of reference frequency $\times$ marker frequency)
Marker frequencies		400 Hz, 1300 Hz and 3000 Hz
COM/ID tone frequency setting range		0.1 Hz to 20 kHz
COM/ID tone frequency setting resolution		0.1 Hz
<b>Modulation depth</b>		
Sum of modulation depths of marker tone and COM/ID signal must not exceed 100 %.		
AM depth setting range		0 % to 100 %
	marker tone default setting	95 %
AM depth setting resolution		0.1 %
AM depth error	marker tone, depth = 95 %	< 4 % AM depth
	COM/ID, tone = 1020 Hz, depth = 10 %	< 0.5 % AM depth

### ADF mode (R&S®SMA-K25 option)

The ADF mode provides a carrier frequency of 190 kHz with 30 % AM depth at 1 kHz modulation rate.

Frequency error	ADF tone	< (0.005 Hz + relative deviation of reference frequency $\times$ ADF frequency)
ADF frequency setting range		0.1 Hz to 20 kHz
ADF setting resolution		0.1 Hz
AM depth setting range		0 % to 100 %
AM depth setting resolution		0.1 %
	ADF tone default setting	30 %

## DME modulation (R&S®SMA-K26 option)

Specifications valid for carrier frequency range from 960 MHz to 1215 MHz, attenuator mode AUTO, ALC state AUTO, level (PEP) within specified level range and DME default settings.

When DME modulation is activated, the ALC state of the R&S®SMA100A is automatically changed to sample & hold. In this state, the ALC loop is opened and the output level is set directly.

In order to set the correct output level, a sample & hold measurement is executed after each frequency or level setting.

In the following cases, the nominal ON level is present for typ. 3 ms to 5 ms after level or frequency setting:

- No attenuator is installed (R&S®SMA-B103L/R&S®SMA-B106L frequency option)
- In HIGH POWER mode
- In AUTO mode if the level is in the high power range, i.e. the mechanical relay bypass is switched

Otherwise, the level is decreased by 30 dB during a sample & hold measurement.

DME operating modes	DME/N	DME interrogation DME reply
DME channel		X, Y
Single pulse	generation of a single pulse instead of a pulse pair	ON, OFF
Squitter pulses	randomly distributed pulse repetition rate in line with EUROCAE ED-54	ON, OFF
Level error	attenuator mode AUTO, temperature range +18 °C to +33 °C	
	pulse peak power error	< 0.8 dB
	pulse-to-pulse level difference	< 0.2 dB, < 0.1 dB (typ.)
On/off ratio		> 80 dB
Pulse shaping	cos <sup>2</sup> shape for rising and falling edge cos shape for rising edge; cos <sup>2</sup> shape for falling edge linear shape for rising and falling edge	cos <sup>2</sup> cos cos <sup>2</sup> linear
Pulse rise/fall time setting range	10 %/90 % of RF amplitude	0.5 µs to 20 µs
Pulse width setting range	50 %/50 % of RF amplitude	1 µs to 100 µs
Pulse spacing setting range	50 %/50 % of RF amplitude	1 µs to 100 µs
Pulse parameter setting resolution	rise/fall time, pulse width, pulse spacing	20 ns
Rise/fall time error	rise/fall time = 2 µs	< 150 ns, < 70 ns (typ.)
Pulse width error	pulse width = 3.5 µs	< 150 ns, < 70 ns (typ.)
Pulse spacing error	pulse spacing = 12 µs or 36 µs	< 100 ns, < 40 ns (typ.)
Pulse repetition rate setting range	squitter OFF squitter ON (mean pulse repetition rate)	10 pp/s to 6000 pp/s <sup>2</sup> 10 pp/s to 6000 pp/s (nom.)
Pulse repetition rate setting resolution	squitter OFF squitter ON	1 pp/s 100 pp/s
Reply efficiency setting range		0 to 100 %
Reply efficiency setting resolution		1 %
Range distance setting range		-3 NM to 400 NM
Range distance setting resolution		0.01 NM
<b>Identification pulses, only in DME reply mode</b>		
ID code		user-selectable four-character code
ID rate setting range		100 pp/s to 10000 pp/s
ID period setting range		10 s to 120 s
ID dot, dash, symbol space and letter space length setting range		50 ms to 500 ms
Monitor output		The DME modulation signal is available at the LF output.

<sup>2</sup> pp/s = pulse pairs per second. Due to the internal timing resolution of 20 ns, the pulse repetition rate indicator is rounded to the nearest integer value.

**Trigger and SYNC signals**

<b>Trigger</b>		
Trigger modes	continuous trigger with internal trigger source, only in DME interrogation mode	auto
	only in DME reply mode and with R&S®NRP-Z81 connected to sensor connector	externally triggered external power sensor
External trigger input	externally triggered	BNC (PULSE EXT at rear) see "Rear-panel connectors" for details
	external power sensor	R&S®NRP-Z81 connected to sensor connector
External trigger delay setting range		4 µs to 4.99 ms
External trigger delay resolution		20 ns
Jitter of external trigger delay		< 10 ns
<b>SYNC output</b> , outputs a synchronizing pulse at the start of the first DME pulse		
Connector type		BNC (PULSE SYNC at rear)
SYNC output level	$R_L \geq 50 \Omega$	digital signal 0 V/3.3 V (nom.)
SYNC pulse width		70 ns (nom.)
<b>VIDEO output</b> , outputs a signal between 50 % voltage point of rising and falling edge of first DME RF pulse		
Connector type		BNC (PULSE VIDEO at rear)
VIDEO output level	$R_L \geq 50 \Omega$	digital signal 0 V/3.3 V (nom.)
VIDEO pulse width		equal to set DME pulse width

**DME analysis (R&S®SMA-K26 option)**

The R&S®SMA100A is able to analyze DME pulses transmitted from a DME transponder if a R&S®NRP-Z81 wideband power sensor is connected to the instrument.

Peak level range		-10 dBm to 20 dBm
Reply delay range		0 µs to 100 µs
Reply efficiency range		0 % to 100 %
Pulse repetition rate range		2 Hz to 10 kHz

**Modulation sources****Internal modulation generator**

Waveform		sine
Frequency setting range		0.1 Hz to 1 MHz
Resolution of frequency setting		0.01 Hz
Frequency error		< (0.005 Hz + relative deviation of reference frequency × modulation frequency)
Frequency setting time	to within $< 1 \times 10^{-7}$ , after IEC/IEEE bus delimiter	< 3 ms
Frequency response	100 Hz to 1 MHz	< 0.3 dB
Distortion	$f < 100 \text{ kHz}$ at $R_L > 50 \Omega$ , level ( $V_{EMF}$ ) < 1 V	< 0.1 %
Output voltage setting range	$V_{peak}$ at LF connector, open circuit voltage EMF	1 mV to 4 V
Output voltage setting resolution		1 mV
Output voltage setting error	$f = 1 \text{ kHz}$ , $R_L > 50 \text{ k}\Omega$	< (1 % of reading + 1 mV)
Output impedance		50 Ω (nom.)

## Multifunction generator (R&S®SMA-K24 option)

The multifunction generator option (R&S®SMA-K24) consists of three function generators that can be set independently. Two of the three signal sources can be added with different weighting. The total voltage is limited by the maximum output voltage.

Waveforms	LF generator 1	sine
	LF generator 2	sine, square, triangle user-programmable ramp $\Delta T = 20$ ns
	noise generator noise amplitude distribution	Gaussian, equal
Frequency range	sine wave	0.1 Hz to 10 MHz
	triangle, square	0.1 Hz to 1 MHz
	noise bandwidth	100 kHz to 10 MHz
Resolution of frequency setting	sine, triangle, square	0.01 Hz
Resolution of ramp parameter settings	rise, fall, low and high time	20 ns
Frequency error		< (0.005 Hz + relative deviation of reference frequency $\times$ modulation frequency)
Frequency setting time	to within $< 1 \times 10^{-7}$ , after IEC/IEEE bus delimiter	< 3 ms
Frequency response	sine wave	
	100 Hz to 1 MHz	< 0.3 dB
	100 Hz to 10 MHz	< 1 dB
Distortion	$f < 100$ kHz at $R_L > 50 \Omega$ , level ( $V_{EMF}$ ) < 1 V	< 0.1 %
Output voltage setting range	$V_{peak}$ at LF connector, open circuit voltage EMF	1 mV to 4 V
Output voltage setting resolution		1 mV
Output voltage setting error	$f = 1$ kHz, $R_L > 50$ k $\Omega$	< (1 % of reading + 1 mV)
Output impedance		50 $\Omega$ (nom.)

## LF frequency sweep

Operating mode		digital sweep in discrete steps
Trigger modes	execute sweep continuously with internal trigger source	auto
	execute one full sweep	single
	execute one step	step
	sweep start and stop controlled by external trigger signal	start/stop
Trigger source	internal	timer
	external	external trigger signal (INST TRIG at rear), rotary knob, remote control
Trigger slope	external trigger signal	positive, negative
Sweep range		full frequency range
Sweep shape		sawtooth, triangle
Step size	linear	full frequency range
	logarithmic	0.01 % to 100 % per step
Dwell time setting range		10 ms to 10 s
Dwell time setting resolution		0.1 ms

## Standard pulse generator

The pulse generator is fully digital; the clock is directly derived from the instrument's reference frequency.

Pulse mode		single pulse
Trigger mode	continuous trigger with internal trigger source	auto
Pulse period setting range		5 $\mu$ s to 100 s
Pulse period setting resolution		1 $\mu$ s
Pulse width setting range		2 $\mu$ s to 100 s
Pulse width setting resolution		1 $\mu$ s

## High-performance pulse generator (R&S®SMA-K23 option)

The pulse generator is fully digital; the clock is directly derived from the instrument's reference frequency.

Pulse modes		single pulse, double pulse
Trigger modes	continuous trigger with internal trigger source	auto
		externally triggered
		externally gated
Pulse period setting range		20 ns to 100 s
Pulse period setting resolution		5 ns
Pulse width setting range	The pulse width of double pulses can be set independently.	5 ns to 100 s
Pulse width setting resolution		5 ns
Pulse delay setting range	with external trigger	10 ns to 100 s
Pulse delay setting resolution	with external trigger	5 ns
Double-pulse spacing setting range		10 ns to 100 s
Double-pulse spacing setting resolution		5 ns
External trigger delay		50 ns (nom.)
Jitter of external trigger delay		< 5 ns (nom.)

## Pulse train (R&S®SMA-K27 option)

High-performance pulse generator (R&S®SMA-K23 option) required.

The R&S®SMA-K27 option extends the functionality of the high-performance pulse generator (R&S®SMA-K23 option). It enables the user to define pulses and sequences of pulses in order to generate jittered or staggered pulse scenarios widely used in radar applications.

Pulse mode	user-selectable pulse width, pulse spacing and pulse sequences	train
Trigger mode	continuous trigger with internal trigger source	auto
		externally triggered
Number of bursts		1 to 2047
Number of identical pulses per burst		1 to 65535
Pulse on time setting range		0 ns to 5 ms
Pulse off time setting range		5 ns to 5 ms
Pulse on and off time setting resolution		5 ns

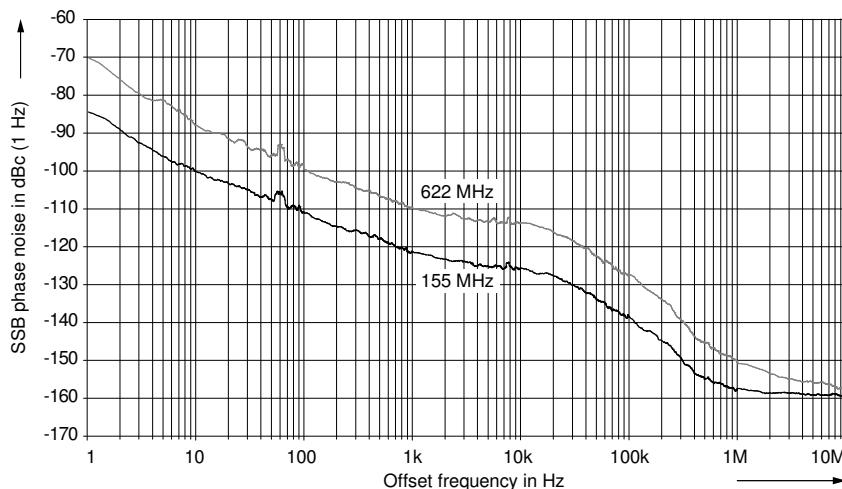
## Output for pulse generator signals

<b>SYNC output</b> , output of synchronizing pulse at pulse start or start of pulse sequence		
Connector type		BNC (PULSE SYNC at rear)
SYNC output level	$R_L \geq 50 \Omega$	digital signal 0 V/3.3 V (nom.)
SYNC pulse width	pulse period < 100 ns pulse period $\geq 100$ ns or externally triggered	10 ns (nom.) 50 ns (nom.)
<b>VIDEO output</b> , output of pulse generator signal		
Connector type		BNC (PULSE VIDEO at rear)
VIDEO output level	$R_L \geq 50 \Omega$	digital signal 0 V/3.3 V (nom.)
PULSE VIDEO output	$R_L \geq 50 \Omega$	digital signal 0 V/3.3 V (nom.)

## Clock synthesizer (R&S®SMA-B29 option)

The frequency of the clock synthesizer (R&S®SMA-B29 option) can be set independently of the RF frequency of the R&S®SMA100A. It provides a differential clock signal (AC-coupled, symmetric square) on the rear panel of the R&S®SMA100A.

Frequency range	100 kHz to 1.5 GHz	
Resolution of setting	0.01 Hz	
Resolution of synthesis	< 100 µHz	
Frequency setting time	to within $< 1 \times 10^{-7}$ , after IEC/IEEE bus delimiter	< 30 ms
Output voltage (CLK SYN, CLK SYN_N)	into $50 \Omega$ , peak to peak, $f = 10$ MHz	> 0.4 V, > 0.6 V (typ.)
DC offset voltage setting range		-5 V to +5 V
DC offset voltage resolution		10 mV
DC offset source impedance		2 kΩ (nom.)
Frequency response	100 kHz to 1.5 GHz, both outputs terminated with $50 \Omega$	< 6 dB, < 4.5 dB (typ.)
Reverse power (from $50 \Omega$ source)	maximum permissible RF power in output frequency range of CLKSYN for $f > 1$ MHz	0.05 W
Maximum permissible DC voltage		3 V
<b>Spectral purity</b>		
Nonharmonics	carrier offset > 10 kHz	
	$f \leq 325$ MHz	< -82 dBc
	$325$ MHz < $f \leq 650$ MHz	< -76 dBc
	$650$ MHz < $f \leq 1300$ MHz	< -70 dBc
	$1300$ MHz < $f \leq 1500$ MHz	< -64 dBc
Wideband noise	carrier offset > 10 MHz, measurement bandwidth 1 Hz	
	$30$ MHz < $f \leq 1000$ MHz	< -150 dBc, < -153 dBc (typ.)
	$1000$ MHz < $f \leq 1500$ MHz	< -147 dBc, < -151 dBc (typ.)
SSB phase noise	carrier offset 20 kHz, measurement bandwidth 1 Hz	
	$f = 100$ MHz	< -123 dBc, -130.5 dBc (typ.)
	$f = 250$ MHz	< -113 dBc, -122 dBc (typ.)
	$f = 500$ MHz	< -109 dBc, -115 dBc (typ.)
	$f = 1000$ MHz	< -103 dBc, -110 dBc (typ.)
SSB phase noise with R&S®SMA-B22 option	carrier offset 20 kHz, measurement bandwidth 1 Hz	
	$f = 100$ MHz	< -125 dBc, -131.5 dBc (typ.)
	$f = 250$ MHz	< -115 dBc, -124.5 dBc (typ.)
	$f = 500$ MHz	< -111 dBc, -118 dBc (typ.)
RMS jitter	$f = 100$ MHz	300 fs (30 µUI) (meas.)
	$f = 155$ MHz	220 fs (34 µUI) (meas.)
	$f = 622$ MHz	190 fs (118 µUI) (meas.)
RMS jitter with R&S®SMA-B22 option	$f = 100$ MHz	220 fs (22 µUI) (meas.)
	$f = 155$ MHz	160 fs (25 µUI) (meas.)
	$f = 622$ MHz	140 fs (87 µUI) (meas.)



Clock synthesizer (R&S®SMA-B29 option): SSB phase noise  
measured with R&S®SMA-B22 option.

## R&S®NRP-Z power analysis (R&S®SMA-K28 option)

Modes		power vs. frequency power vs. power power vs. time (trace mode)
<b>General settings</b>		
Number of points per sweep (= steps)		10 to 1000
Frequency range	depending on R&S®NRP-Zxx power sensor and R&S®SMA100A frequency option	full frequency range of signal generator or power sensor (whichever is lower); support of frequency-converting DUTs
Y-axis setting range		-100 dBm to +100 dBm
Uncertainty of measured power	determined by power sensor used and timing mode (noise)	see R&S®NRP-Zxx data sheet
Sweep mode		single continuous
Number of traces	used for sensor data or as reference trace	3
Number of markers		4
Trace data export	supported file formats	JPG, BMP, XPM, PNG, CSV
Resolution of saved graphic file	for JPG, BMP, XPM and PNG file format	320 × 240, 640 × 480, 800 × 600 or 1024 × 768
<b>Power vs. frequency mode</b>		
Spacing		linear, logarithmic
Timing mode		fast, normal
Sweep time	depends on timing mode, number of steps and power sensor e.g. R&S®NRP-Z21 timing mode FAST, 200 steps	set automatically approx. 2.5 s
<b>Power vs. power mode</b>		
Spacing		dB steps
Timing mode		fast, normal
Sweep time	depends on timing mode, steps and power sensor e.g. R&S®NRP-Z21 timing mode FAST, 200 steps	set automatically approx. 2.5 s
<b>Power vs. time mode (trace mode)</b>		
Spacing		linear
Sweep time	R&S®NRP-Z11/-Z21/-Z22/-Z23/-Z24, R&S®NRP-Z28, R&S®NRP-Z31 setting range resolution R&S®NRP-Z81/-Z85 setting range resolution (sweep time/steps) ≥ 12.5 ns resolution (sweep time/steps) < 12.5 ns periodic signals trigger mode internally triggered	100 µs to 300 ms 10 µs 100 ns to 1 s 12.5 ns 2 ns
Trace offset	with reference to trigger event	positive, negative
Average		1 to 1024
Trigger modes	internally triggered externally triggered R&S®NRP-Z3 required	auto, free run external
Trigger level setting range	depends on power sensor used	see R&S®NRP-Zxx data sheet
Trigger hysteresis setting range		0 dB to 10 dB
Trigger dropout time setting range		0 ns to 10 s

<b>Available measurements in time mode</b>		
Gate function		
Number of gates	user-selectable	2
Power measurements		peak power, average power
Pulse data measurement, only with R&S®NRP-Z81/-Z85		
Timing measurements		duty cycle, pulse width, pulse period, pulse off time, rise time, pulse start time, overshoot, fall time, pulse stop time
Power measurements		peak power, average power, minimal power, top power, base power, distal power, mesial power, proximal power
Setting range for distal, mesial and proximal threshold	voltage or power-related	0 % to 100 %

## Overview of power sensor functionalities

Latest power sensor firmware version is recommended

<b>Power sensor</b>	<b>Power vs. frequency and power vs. power</b>	<b>Power vs. time</b>	<b>Pulse data measurement</b>
R&S®NRP-Z11/-Z21/-Z22/ -Z23/-Z24/-Z31	+	+	-
R&S®NRP-Z28	+	+	-
R&S®NRP-Z51/-Z52/-Z55/ -Z56/-Z57	+	-	-
R&S®NRP-Z81/-Z85	+	+	+
R&S®NRP-Z91/-Z92	+	-	-
R&S®NRP-Z98	+	-	-

+ = supported, - = not supported.

## Remote control

Interfaces		IEC 60625 (GPIB IEEE 488.2) Ethernet/LAN USB 2.0 (in line with VISA USBTMC) serial (RS-232-C) <sup>3</sup>
Command set		SCPI 1999.5 or compatible command sets
Compatible command sets	These command sets can be selected in order to emulate another instrument. A subset of common commands is supported.	Agilent/HP 8642A/B Agilent/HP 8643A, 8644A/B, 8645A Agilent/HP 8647A, 8648A/B/C/D Agilent/HP 8662A, 8663A Agilent/HP 8664A, 8665B Aeroflex/IFR/Marconi 2023, 2024 Aeroflex/IFR/Marconi 2030 series Aeroflex/IFR/Marconi 2040 series Aeroflex/IFR/Marconi 2050 series Racal 3102, 9087 R&S®SMGU/SMHU
IEC/IEEE bus address		0 to 30
Ethernet/LAN protocols and services		VISA VXI-11 (remote control) Telnet/RawEthernet (remote control) VNC (remote operation with web browser) FTP (file transfer protocol) SMB (mapping parts of the instrument to a host file system)
Ethernet/LAN addressing		DHCP, Static support of ZeroConf and M-DNS to simplify the direct connection to a system controller

<sup>3</sup> Requires R&S®TS-USB1 USB serial adapter.

## Connectors

### Front-panel connectors

The following connectors are located on the front panel of the instrument as standard. Using the R&S®SMA-B81 rear connector option the connectors can be moved to the rear panel of the instrument.

RF 50Ω	RF output	N female
LF	modulation generator output	BNC female
AM EXT	input for external amplitude modulation	BNC female
Input impedance		> 100 kΩ
Input sensitivity	peak value for set modulation depth	1 V (nom.)
Maximum input voltage		1 V (nom.)
Input damage voltage		±6 V
FM/PM EXT	input for external frequency or phase modulation (only with R&S®SMA-B20/-B22 option)	BNC female
Input impedance		> 100 kΩ or 50 Ω (nom.)
Input sensitivity	peak value for set deviation	1 V (nom.)
Maximum input voltage		1 V (nom.)
Input damage voltage		±10 V
SENSOR	connector for R&S®NRP-Zxx power sensor	6-pin ODU mini-snap series B
USB	USB 1.1 connector for external USB devices such as mouse, keyboard, R&S®NRP-Zxx power sensors (with R&S®NRP-Z4 adapter cable), memory stick for software update and data exchange, or USB serial adapter for RS-232-C remote control	USB type A

**Rear-panel connectors**

REF IN	external reference frequency input	BNC female
REF OUT	reference frequency output	BNC female
CLK SYN	clock synthesizer output	SMA female
CLK SYN_N	clock synthesizer inverted output	SMA female
PULSE EXT	input for external pulse modulation external trigger input for pulse generator external gate input for pulse generator external trigger input for DME modulation	BNC female
Input impedance	selectable	10 kΩ or 50 Ω (nom.)
Input voltage	TTL, CMOS compatible threshold low threshold high	0.7 V (nom.) 0.9 V (nom.)
Input damage voltage		±10 V
Input polarity	selectable	normal, inverse
PULSE VIDEO	pulse generator output video output for external pulse modulation and DME modulation	BNC female
PULSE SYNC	synchronizing output for pulse generator and DME generator	BNC female
INST TRIG	trigger input for sweep and List mode input signal range	BNC female 0 V to 3.3 V (nom.)
BLANK	output for triggering external devices; a low state indicates that the instrument has settled to its final value; output voltage without load	BNC female  digital signal 0 V/3.3 V (nom.)
EXT TUNE	input for electronic tuning of internal reference frequency	BNC female
AUX I/O	input for digital FM/φM data signals input for Fast Hopping mode control signals input signal range	26-pin Mini D Ribbon (MDR 26)  0 V to 3.3 V (nom.)
USB IN	USB 1.1 remote control of instrument	USB type B
USB	USB 1.1 connector for external USB devices such as mouse, keyboard, R&S®NRP-Zxx power sensors (with R&S®NRP-Z4 adapter cable), memory stick for software update and data exchange, or USB serial adapter for RS-232-C remote control	USB type A
LAN	provides remote control functionality and other services, see "Remote control"	RJ-45
IEEE 488	remote control of instrument via GPIB	24-pin Amphenol series 57, female

## General data

<b>Power supply</b>		
AC input voltage range		100 V to 240 V $\pm$ 10 %
AC supply frequency		50 Hz to 400 Hz $\pm$ 10 %
Power consumption	when fully equipped	130 W (meas.)
Power factor correction		in line with EN 61000-3-2
<b>Electrical safety</b>		
Compliance		in line with IEC 61010-1, EN 61010-1, CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 61010-1-04, UL 61010-1
Test mark		VDE-GS, cCSA <sub>US</sub>
<b>EMC</b>		
Electromagnetic compatibility	emissions	in line with EN 55011 class B
	immunity to interfering field strength	in line with EN 61326-1 (industrial environment) in line with EN 61326-2-1
<b>Mechanical resistance</b>		
Vibration	sinusoidal	5 Hz to 150 Hz, max. 2 g at 55 Hz, max. 0.5 g at 55 Hz to 150 Hz, in line with EN 60068-2-6
	random	10 Hz to 300 Hz, acceleration 1.2 g (RMS) in line with EN 60068-2-64
Shock		40 g shock spectrum in line with MIL-STD-810E method no. 516.4 procedure 1
<b>Environmental conditions</b>		
Temperature range	operating	0 °C to +55 °C in line with EN 60068-2-1, EN 60068-2-2
	storage	-40 °C to +71 °C
Climatic resistance	test: +40 °C/95 % rel. humidity	in line with EN 60068-2-78
Altitude	operating	up to 3000 m
	with R&S®SMA-B46 option	up to 4600 m
	storage	up to 4600 m
<b>Weight and dimensions</b>		
Weight	when fully equipped	10 kg (22 lb)
Dimensions (W × H × D)		465 mm × 108 mm × 495 mm (18.31 in × 4.25 in × 19.49 in)
	without front handles and instrument feet for use with R&S®ZZA-211	427 mm × 92.5 mm × 450 mm (16.81 in × 3.46 in × 17.72 in)
<b>Calibration interval</b>		
Recommended calibration interval	operation 40 h/week in full range of specified environmental conditions	3 years

## Ordering information

Designation	Type	Order No.
Signal Generator <sup>4</sup> Including power cable, Quick Start Guide and CD-ROM (with operating and service manual)	R&S®SMA100A	1400.0000.02
<b>Options</b>		
RF Path		
9 kHz to 3 GHz with electronic attenuator	R&S®SMA-B103	1405.0209.02
9 kHz to 6 GHz with electronic attenuator	R&S®SMA-B106	1405.0809.02
9 kHz to 3 GHz without attenuator	R&S®SMA-B103L	1405.0609.02
9 kHz to 6 GHz without attenuator	R&S®SMA-B106L	1405.1005.02
FM/φM Modulator	R&S®SMA-B20	1405.1605.02
Enhanced Phase Noise Performance and FM/φM Modulator	R&S®SMA-B22	1405.1805.02
Clock Synthesizer	R&S®SMA-B29	1400.2503.02
Operating Altitude up to 4600 m	R&S®SMA-B46	1405.1305.02
Removable Mass Storage (CompactFlash™ card)	R&S®SMA-B80	1405.2001.02
Rear Connectors	R&S®SMA-B81	1405.2401.02
High-Performance Pulse Generator	R&S®SMA-K23	1405.2801.02
Multifunction Generator	R&S®SMA-K24	1405.2901.02
VOR/ILS Modulation	R&S®SMA-K25	1405.3008.02
DME Modulation <sup>5</sup>	R&S®SMA-K26	1405.3408.02
Pulse Train <sup>6, 7</sup>	R&S®SMA-K27	1405.3908.02
Power Analysis	R&S®SMA-K28	1405.3950.02
<b>Calibration</b>		
Documentation of Calibration Values	R&S®DCV-2	0240.2193.18
DKD (ISO 17025) Calibration including ISO 9000 calibration (can only be ordered with the instrument)	R&S®SMA-DKD	1161.3571.00
<b>Recommended extras</b>		
Hardcopy manuals (in English, UK)		1400.0075.32
Hardcopy manuals (in English, US)		1400.0075.39
Spare CompactFlash™ Card (R&S®SMA-B80 required)	R&S®SMA-Z10	1405.4004.02
19" Rack Adapter	R&S®ZZA-211	1096.3260.00
Keyboard with USB Interface (US character set)	R&S®PSL-Z2	1157.6870.04
Mouse with USB Interface, optical	R&S®PSL-Z10	1157.7060.03
External USB DVD Drive	R&S®PSP-B6	1134.8201.22
Wideband Power Sensor (for R&S®SMA-K26 DME modulation and R&S®SMA-K28 power analysis)	R&S®NRP-Z81	1137.9009.02
Power Sensor 9 kHz to 6 GHz, 33 dBm	R&S®NRP-Z92	1171.7005.02
USB Adapter for R&S®NRP-Zxx power sensors	R&S®NRP-Z4	1146.8001.02
USB Serial Adapter for RS-232-C remote control	R&S®TS-USB1	6124.2531.00

<b>Service options</b>		
Two-Year Calibration Service	R&S®CO2SMA100A	Please contact your local Rohde & Schwarz sales office.
Three-Year Calibration Service	R&S®CO3SMA100A	
Five-Year Calibration Service	R&S®CO5SMA100A	
One-Year Repair Service following the warranty period	R&S®RO2SMA100A	
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<sup>4</sup> The base unit must be ordered together with an R&S®SMA-B103/R&S®SMA-B106 or R&S®SMA-B103L/R&S®SMA-B106L frequency option.

<sup>5</sup> The R&S®SMA-K26 option can be installed in an R&S®SMA100A with serial number 101500 or higher.

<sup>6</sup> Requires the R&S®SMA-K23 high-performance pulse generator option.

<sup>7</sup> The R&S®SMA-K27 option can be installed in an R&S®SMA100A with serial number 101500 or higher.

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