

# A-Series AX-61 Satellite Modem



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The A-Series is a family of next generation satellite modem platforms built on versatile FPGA- and software-based architecture. The AX-60 product line supports the full range of DVB-S2X/S2/S standards. Exceptional analog and digital engineering provides teleport-grade devices with future-proof expandability.

Beyond DVB waveforms, A-Series devices can be extended to customized signal and data processing. Through an all-IP structure, the platform supports both native network operation as well as data streaming over IP. Built-in encapsulators provide support for a

wide range of formats plus specialized streaming like transparent baseband data, raw IQ information, space data formats and more.

The **AX-61 Satellite Modem** is a modem for bidirectional streaming over DVB links, operating through ASI interfaces. It is suitable to fit into transport stream based communication systems with external generation and decoding of the streams. A wide range of license-based extensions equally allows internal data processing for network operation, space communications, and others.

## Key Features

- DVB-S2X - ETSI EN 302 307-2
- DVB-S2 - ETSI EN 302 307-1
- DVB-S2X modulations:  
QPSK to 256APSK normal, short, linear
- DVB-S2 modulations:  
QPSK to 32APSK; normal, short
- Symbol rates from 100 ksps to 75 Msps
- Data rate up to 360 Mbit/s integrated
- Roll-Off: 35%, 25%, 20%, 15%, 10%, 5%
- Exceptionally clean signal output and internal processing
- Predistortion for automatic group delay and nonlinearity compensation
- Operates as layer 3 bridge or layer 3 router including traffic shaping / QoS functionality
- ACM controller open to various ACM systems
- GSE and MPE encapsulation integrated
- Customizable processing infrastructure for easy integration into large communication systems
- Flexible software architecture for easy extension and future virtualization of functionality
- **3 years warranty**

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## TX Signal Specifications

<b>Signal output L-band:</b>	Frequency: 950...2150 MHz Connector: N female Impedance: 50 Ohm Return Loss: > 16 dB Output power: -30...0 dBm 0.1 dB steps, $\pm 0.5$ dB accuracy Output power muted: < -85 dBm 10 MHz reference: 1.5 dB +/- 1.5 dB, switchable Phase Noise: -45 dBc/Hz @ 10 Hz -75 dBc/Hz @ 100 Hz -88 dBc/Hz @ 1 kHz -90 dBc/Hz @ 10 kHz -100 dBc/Hz @ 100 kHz -115 dBc/Hz @ 1 MHz Signal related spurs: < -67 dBc, unmodulated carrier, 950...1900 MHz < -55 dBc, unmodulated carrier, 1900...2150 MHz < -45 dBc, unmodulated carrier harmonics, out of band						
<b>Signal output 70/140 MHz:</b> <i>w/ options IF50 or IF75</i>	Frequency: 50...180 MHz Connector: BNC female Impedance: 50 Ohm or 75 Ohm Return Loss: > 16 dB Output power: -25...5 dBm 0.1 dB steps, $\pm 0.5$ dB accuracy Output power muted: < -85 dBm Phase Noise: -45 dBc/Hz @ 10 Hz -80 dBc/Hz @ 100 Hz -88 dBc/Hz @ 1 kHz -90 dBc/Hz @ 10 kHz -100 dBc/Hz @ 100 kHz -115 dBc/Hz @ 1 MHz Signal related spurs: < -67 dBc, unmodulated carrier, 50...80 MHz or 100...180 MHz < -45 dBc, unmodulated carrier harmonics, out of band						
<b>Clock stability:</b>	Standard: $\pm 2 \times 10^{-7}$ after warm up, aging: $\pm 2 \times 10^{-8}$ per day, $\pm 1 \times 10^{-6}$ per year Extended: $\pm 2 \times 10^{-8}$ after warm up, aging: $\pm 1 \times 10^{-9}$ per day, $\pm 1 \times 10^{-7}$ per year <i>w/ options EXT or RI</i>						
<b>Symbol rate:</b>	Range: 100 kspcs ... 75 Msps <i>depending on license TXS*</i> Step size: 1 sps						
<b>DVB-S2X Modulation / Coding:</b>	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>ModCods: (normal FEC frame)</td> <td>           QPSK 13/45, 9/20, 11/20            8PSK 23/36, 25/36, 13/18            16APSK 26/45, 3/5, 28/45, 23/36, 25/36, 13/18, 7/9, 77/90            32APSK 32/45, 11/15, 7/9            64APSK 11/15, 7/9, 4/5, 5/6            128PSK 3/4, 7/9            256PSK 32/45, 3/4         </td> </tr> <tr> <td>ModCods: (short FEC frame)</td> <td>           QPSK 11/45, 4/15, 14/45, 7/15, 8/15, 32/45            8PSK 2/15, 8/15, 26/45, 32/45            16APSK 7/15, 8/15, 26/45, 3/5, 32/45            32APSK 2/3, 32/45         </td> </tr> <tr> <td>ModCods linear: (normal FEC frame)</td> <td>           16APSK 1/2-L, 8/15-L, 5/9-L, 3/5-L, 2/3-L            32APSK 2/3-L            64APSK 32/45-L            256PSK 29/45-L, 2/3-L, 31/45-L, 11/15-L            all according to ETSI EN 302307-2         </td> </tr> </table>	ModCods: (normal FEC frame)	QPSK 13/45, 9/20, 11/20 8PSK 23/36, 25/36, 13/18 16APSK 26/45, 3/5, 28/45, 23/36, 25/36, 13/18, 7/9, 77/90 32APSK 32/45, 11/15, 7/9 64APSK 11/15, 7/9, 4/5, 5/6 128PSK 3/4, 7/9 256PSK 32/45, 3/4	ModCods: (short FEC frame)	QPSK 11/45, 4/15, 14/45, 7/15, 8/15, 32/45 8PSK 2/15, 8/15, 26/45, 32/45 16APSK 7/15, 8/15, 26/45, 3/5, 32/45 32APSK 2/3, 32/45	ModCods linear: (normal FEC frame)	16APSK 1/2-L, 8/15-L, 5/9-L, 3/5-L, 2/3-L 32APSK 2/3-L 64APSK 32/45-L 256PSK 29/45-L, 2/3-L, 31/45-L, 11/15-L all according to ETSI EN 302307-2
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	all according to ETSI EN 300421						
	only streaming functionality, no network operation						
<b>Carrier ID:</b>	DVB-CID according to ETSI TS 103129						
<b>Signal spectrum mask:</b>	$\alpha = 0.35, 0.25, 0.20, 0.15, 0.10, 0.05$ according to ETSI EN 302307						
<b>Predistortion:</b>	<b>Contact factory for details.</b>						

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## RX Signal Specifications

<b>Signal input L-band:</b>	Frequency: Connector: Impedance: Return Loss: Input power: LNB DC-Feed	950...2150 MHz 680...2300 MHz <i>w/ licenses RXL680 and RXL2300</i> 1x F female 75 Ohm > 13 dB -70...-10 dBm total aggregate power 13.5 V or 18 V switchable 450 mA max. current, short circuit protected 22 kHz tone on/off, DISEqC 1.1
<b>Signal input 70/140 MHz: <i>w/ options IF50 or IF75</i></b>	Frequency: Connector: Impedance: Return Loss: Input power:	50...180 MHz 1x BNC female 50 Ohm / 75 Ohm switchable > 13 dB -60...15 dBm total aggregate power
<b>Symbol rate:</b>	Range: Acquisition bandwidth: Tolerance:	100 ksps ... 75 Msps <i>depending on license RXS*</i> ± selected symbol rate / 2 ± 1% of selected symbol rate
<b>DVB-S2X Modulation / Coding:</b>	ModCods: (normal FEC frame)  ModCods: (short FEC frame)  ModCods linear: (normal FEC frame)	QPSK 13/45, 9/20, 11/20 8PSK 23/36, 25/36, 13/18 16APSK 26/45, 3/5, 28/45, 23/36, 25/36, 13/18, 7/9, 77/90 32APSK 32/45, 11/15, 7/9 64APSK 11/15, 7/9, 4/5, 5/6 128PSK 3/4, 7/9 256PSK 32/45, 3/4 QPSK 11/45, 4/15, 14/45, 7/15, 8/15, 32/45 8PSK 2/15, 8/15, 26/45, 32/45 16APSK 7/15, 8/15, 26/45, 3/5, 32/45 32APSK 2/3, 32/45 16APSK 1/2-L, 8/15-L, 5/9-L, 3/5-L, 2/3-L 32APSK 2/3-L 64APSK 32/45-L 256PSK 29/45-L, 2/3-L, 31/45-L, 11/15-L all according to ETSI EN 302307-2
<b>DVB-S2 Modulation / Coding:</b>	ModCods: (normal and short FEC frame; 9/10 normal FEC frame only)  Auto detection:  Physical layer scrambling:	QPSK 1/4, 1/3, 2/5, 1/2, 3/5, 2/3, 3/4, 4/5, 5/6, 8/9, 9/10 8PSK 3/5, 2/3, 3/4, 5/6, 8/9, 9/10 16APSK 2/3, 3/4, 4/5, 5/6, 8/9, 9/10 32APSK 3/4, 4/5, 5/6, 8/9, 9/10 Modulation- and FEC-type pilots on / off CCM / VCM / ACM N = 0...262141 all according to ETSI EN 302307-1
<b>Signal spectrum mask:</b>		$\alpha = 0.35, 0.25, 0.20, 0.15, 0.10, 0.05$ according to ETSI EN 302307

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## Data Processing and Device Specifications

<b>Device connectors:</b>	Data network: M&C network: 10 MHz reference input: Alarm:	1x Ethernet RJ-45, 10/100/1000 Mbps auto sensing 1x Ethernet RJ-45, 10/100/1000 Mbps auto sensing BNC female, 50 Ohm <i>w/ option RI</i> DSUB-9 female <i>w/ option RI</i>
<b>Network operation:</b> <i>w/ licenses DAE and DAD</i>	IP network connectivity:  IP Traffic shaping/QoS:  Baseband traffic shaping/QoS:  Data encapsulation:  IP data rate limits:	Layer 3 Bridge or Router for IPv4 packet transmission, IPv6 on request 256 IP/subnet routes towards satellite 64 baseband channels with independent DVB-S2X and encapsulation settings ACM MODCOD range and Es/N0 sensitivity independent per channel <b>Contact factory for customized IP-to-baseband data handling.</b> <b>Contact factory for customized ACM messaging formats.</b> 255 independent rules Guaranteed and limited bandwidths Fixed or dynamically integrated into ACM by binding to MODCOD Match criteria: source/destination IP subnet, source MAC, UDP/TCP port ranges, TOS/DS field, packet size configurable baseband channel limits based on symbol rate guaranteed and limited bandwidth individually configurable Generic Stream Encapsulation (GSE) according to ETSI TS 102606 Multiprotocol Encapsulation (MPE) according to ETSI EN 301192 <b>Contact factory for other encapsulation formats.</b> 360 Mbps or 80000 pps rx+tx processing, subject to prevailing modem limits maximum rates can vary in combination with complex internal processing (i.e. traffic shaping)
<b>Stream inputs:</b>	Interfaces:  Baseband data:  Transport stream:	2x RTP/UDP/IP over Ethernet according to IETF RFC 2250 Multicast and IGMPv3 support 2x ASI, BNC female 75 Ohm, for transport stream only 2 streams for direct input of baseband frames individually assignable to baseband channels configurable UDP/IP-based flow control <i>w/ license BBI</i> 1 stream selectable from the inputs, manually or automatic automatic redundancy based on timeouts PCR correction, null packet deletion and insertion ASI inputs only
<b>Stream outputs:</b>	Interfaces:  Baseband data:  Transport stream:  IQ data:  CCSDS CADU frames:	1x RTP/UDP/IP over Ethernet according to IETF RFC 2250 2x ASI, BNC female 75 Ohm, for transport stream only direct output of baseband data w/o filtering padding selectable <i>w/ license BBO</i> transport stream from DVB carriers 1 ISI selectable from DVB-S2 multistream carriers raw IQ data after demodulation signed 8-bit I and Q values for each symbol decimator selectable to reduce bandwidth occupation <i>w/ license IQ</i> extraction of CCSDS CADU frames from DVB-S2 automatic detection of frame length <i>w/ license CCSDS131.3</i>
<b>Frontpanel interface:</b>	LCD-Display 2x40 characters, 4 cursor keys, 4 function keys VFD-Display 2x40 characters, 4 cursor keys, 4 function keys <i>w/ option EXT</i>	
<b>Remote monitoring and control:</b>	Protocol: Connection: Protocol: Connection:	SNMP UDP/IP over Ethernet/RJ-45 or in-band via satellite link HTTP web browser interface TCP/IP over Ethernet/RJ-45 or in-band via satellite link
<b>Temperature range:</b>	Operating:  Storage: Relative humidity:	0°C...50°C -30°C...60°C <i>w/ option EXT</i> -30°C...80°C < 95% non condensing
<b>Mains power:</b>	Input: Consumption: Connector: Fuse:	100...240 V AC nominal, 90...264 V AC max, 50...60 Hz 65 VA / 45 W typical IEC C14 2x 3.15 A time-lag fuse
<b>Dimension and weight:</b>	483 x 44 x 505 mm <sup>3</sup> (WxHxD), 1 RU 19" up to approx. 10 kg depending on device type	

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## Order information:

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## Hardware options:

Hardware options have to be defined with the order and are not field-upgradable. Not all device types may support all combinations. Please contact factory with specific requests.

**IF50** additional IF output and IF input, 50 Ohm version  
**IF75** additional IF output and IF input, 75 Ohm version  
**RI** external 10 MHz reference input  
**EXT** extended operating temperature range of -30°C...60°C

## License based throughput:

License based throughput performance is field-upgradable by uploading a license file to the device. Either a symbol rate or a data rate based license has to be selected. License model can be changed in field.

**TXSxx** symbol rate based transmission license for xx Msp  
select from: **TXS15, TXS30, TXS45, TXS60, TXSmax**  
TXSmax supports full throughput according to specification or device limits

**TXDxx** data rate based transmission license for xx Mbps  
select from: **TXD10** (default), **TXD30, TXD100, TXD160, TXDmax**  
TXDmax supports full throughput according to specification or device limits

**RXSxx** symbol rate based reception license for xx Msp  
select from: **RXS15, RXS30, RXS45, RXS60, RXSmax**  
RXSmax supports full throughput according to specification or device limits

**RXDxx** data rate based reception license for xx Mbps  
select from: **RXD10** (default), **RXD30, RXD100, RXD160, RXDmax**  
RXDmax supports full throughput according to specification or device limits

## License based functions:

License based functions are field-upgradable by uploading a license file to the device.

**BBI** direct baseband frame input streaming over IP  
**BBO** direct baseband frame output streaming over IP  
**DAE** MPE and GSE data encapsulation and network operation  
**DAD** MPE and GSE data decapsulation and network operation  
**TAB** DVB table insertion for MPE encapsulation  
**RXL680** extended L-band input down to 680 MHz  
**RXL2300** extended L-band input up to 2300 MHz  
**IQ** IQ constellation data output over IP  
**CCSDS131.3** decapsulation of CCSDS CADU frames from DVB-S2/S2X signals  
**XMON** extended demodulator signal monitoring