

iSAFT SpaceWire Front-End / Link Analyser



The iSAFT SpaceWire Front-End is a SpaceWire data interface with advanced asynchronous transmission and traffic generation capabilities that simulates SpaceWire devices or Instruments, enabling S/C integration tests before the availability of Flight Models.

It also constitutes a high performing SpaceWire Link Analyser with modern network traffic capture, recording and analysis capabilities for the validation of satellite/spacecraft flight devices or ground testbed devices implementing the SpaceWire protocol family.

It is provided as a rack mount system with 4 – 20 SpaceWire ports with advanced traffic generation and asynchronous transmission capabilities. It is capable of transmitting/receiving data packets over multiple SpaceWire links, time stamping received packets, and capturing transmitted/received traffic to a powerful Protocol Analyser. It is based on the iSAFT graphical tool chain, for the configuration & management of the simulation & recording (locally or remotely). It is a powerful device for the validation of on-board data networks at early stages, minimizing costs and schedule. It can be seamlessly integrated with customer software, supporting well defined APIs in C++, Python and Java.

As a Link Analyser (passive monitoring), it is capable of capturing data packets on multiple SpaceWire links, time stamping, recording, and delivering them to a powerful Protocol Analyzer for further processing & analysis. Operating on a multi-Gbytes powerful HW platform, the SW environment is based on the iSAFT graphical tool chain, thus allowing the management, filtering & searching of the recordings. It is used for troubleshooting and problem solving at various development stages, minimizing the impact on cost and schedule.

Main Features & Competitive Advantages

- Four to twenty (4-20) SpaceWire ports, with programmable link speed up to 400 Mbits/s
- Complete graphical software environment for controlling and monitoring the hardware
- Fully graphical Packet Editors (SpaceWire, RMAP, PTP CCSDS TM/TC)
- Error injection (EEP, Time Code, parity, ESC error, disconnect, credit error, etc.), programmable fault tolerance modes
- User selectable capture triggers / filters, Real-Time Statistics per port / link
- User configurable operation of SpaceWire interfaces for simulation (transmission/reception of packets and TimeCodes) or recording (passive monitoring of SpaceWire links, packets archiving, decoding and analysis of SpaceWire traffic at SpaceWire character level)
- Decoding & analysis of SpaceWire, RMAP, PTP CCSDS TM/TC, Integrated Wireshark Protocol Analyser
- Recordings management, export to XML, Postscript, etc.
- Remote Access APIs in C++, Python, Java (Windows, Linux)
- IRIG support for time synchronization with other components in a testbed (8 ns timestamp resolution)
- Expandable with additional interfaces (MIL-STD-1553, CAN/CANOpen, SpaceFibre, WizardLink)
- Fully certified for connection to space flight equipment (FMEA)
- Proven solution in multiple EGSE test benches across Europe, Japan, South Korea

Key Benefits

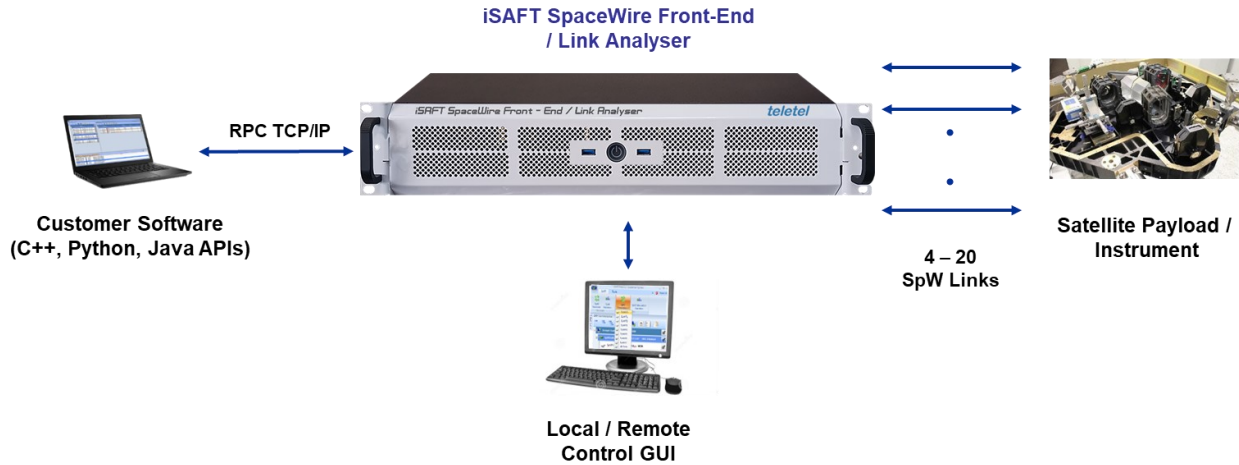
- Modern graphical user interface with packet editors
- Powerful remote control APIs supporting rich functionalities
- Dual use - switch of operation from simulation to recording with a simple reconfiguration
- 100% internal design, can be customised to customer needs
- First class support at both SW & HW level

Application Areas

- Design & development of on-board data networks
- Simulation / Recording / Error Injection / Traffic Generation test equipment
- EGSE / Test Benches
- Data Front Ends
- Hardware in the Loop Simulation
- Experimentation with new protocols and various protocol features



Use Case Example - Validating Scientific Payloads / Instruments



Technical Data

| General | 1U | 2U | 3U |
|--------------------------------|--|------------------|------------------|
| Dimensions (W x D x H) | 448x357x44.5 mm | 448x370x89 mm | 448x457x133 mm |
| Interfaces | 4 x USB 3 | 4 x USB 3 | 6 x USB 3 |
| | 1Gbps Ethernet Display Port / HDMI | | |
| PCI slots | 1 x PCIe | 2 x PCIe | 4 x PCIe |
| CPU | 12 to 24 core i7 or i9 intel processor | | |
| Memory | 32 to 64GB | | |
| Storage | 128GB SSD drive for OS 1TB M2 SSD for data 2TB SSD for Archive | | |
| Power supply | 110-230V 250W | 110-230V 450W | 110-230V 850W |
| Operating temp range | 0°C to 50°C | | |
| Storage temperature / humidity | -40°C to 85°C 10 ~ 95% | | |
| Standards | CE, RoHS, FMEA available | | |

| SpaceWire Interface | 1U | 2U | 3U |
|----------------------|--|---------|---------|
| Number of ports | 4 | 4 to 12 | 4 to 20 |
| Connector | 9-pin micro-D | | |
| Link speed | Up to 400Mbps per port (programmable) | | |
| IP Core | TELETEL SpaceWire IP core (ECSS-E-ST-50-12C compliant) | | |
| Protocols | SpaceWire which can be extended with RMAP, NDCP, PTP CCSDS TM/TC | | |
| Functionalities | Simulation, Recording, Error Injection, Traffic Generation, Timestamping support | | |
| Electrical standards | LVDS signaling (galvanically isolated) | | |
| LED indicators | Status / activity LED per port | | |

| Software | |
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| Supported OS | Windows 10 64bit |
| Main features (supported by a modern GUI) | Board management, SpaceWire / RMAP / PTP CCSDS TM/TC packet editors, simulation, traffic generation, recording, off-line analysis, statistics, Wireshark protocol analyzer |
| Remote Access APIs | C++, Python, Java (Windows, Linux) |

| IRIG Interface | |
|----------------------|---|
| Type | IRIG-B002/006 (DCLS) |
| Functionality | IRIG generator, IRIG receiver, 8 ns timestamping resolution |
| Electrical standards | TTL / RS-422 (selectable) |
| Connector | Omnetics MNCP-06-WD Circular Nano connector |

Order Information

- iSAFT06.CS-07-YXX (Y indicates the form factor: 1, 2, 3 - XX indicates the number of ports: 04, 08, 12, 16, 20)

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