Spectracom’s Frequency Distribution System consists of the Model 8140 Distribution Amplifier and combinations of Model 8140T LineTaps and Model 8140VT VersaTaps.

The Model 8140 Distribution Amplifier sends accurate frequencies to multiple locations over long distances. The amplifier derives 10 MHz from the input signal and sends it on the truck line coaxial cables to up to 25 remote stations. Running a separate cable to each station is not necessary. Input and output signals are monitored. Faults trigger a visual indicator or activate on optional audible alarm. As distribution amplifiers are added, a virtually unlimited number of remote stations may receive output from one frequency standard.

Remote station LineTaps receive both 10 MHz and DC power from the trunk line cable. The signal is buffered and then converted to the frequency needed at that station. VersaTaps are single-frequency synthesizers that provide custom frequency outputs.
Specifications

Frequency Output:
Four connections provide 10 MHz sine wave signals to terminated cable via separate buffer amplifiers. Level is 0.5 V rms, 50 ohms, superimposed on +12 VDC. One front panel TTL-compatible output is selectable between 0.1, 1, 5 and 10 MHz. Phase noise is typically less than -130 dB/Hz/1 kHz from the carrier when the distribution amplifier is fed with noise-free 10 MHz.

Number Of Remote Stations:
Each Distribution Amplifier will drive up to 25 standard LineTap loads. If additional loads must be driven, another Model 8140 Distribution Amplifier may be “daisychained” onto the output of a LineTap to drive 25 more loads.

Distance To Remote Stations:
Up to 25 LineTaps on RG-58 50-ohm cable at a maximum distance of 1500 feet from basestation. Model 8140TA Distribution Line Extender extends this distance to up to 3000 feet with fewer LineTaps allowed. Using low-loss cable such as RG-8 extends distance to 3000 feet for all 25 LineTaps.

Audible Alarm (Option 20):
Activated by input or output loss

Frequency Input:
10 MHz; Signal level 0.25 to 3.0 Vms, 50-ohm impedance
Input options: 5 or 1 MHz

Power: 115/230 VAC ±15%, 50/60 Hz; 40 W

Warranty: 5-Year Warranty

1 The warranty period may be dependent on country.

Physical & Environmental

Size: 8.5” W x 5.25” H x 13.5” D (216 x 133 x 343 mm)
Weight: 12 lbs

Connectors:
Input/Output: BNC; 4 DC-isolated output terminators included
AC power: 3-prong connector, 7’ cord included

Controls: Power switch, frequency select
Indicators: Power, output fault

Temperature:
0° to 50° C (32° to 122° F) operating range
-40° to 85° C (-40° to 185° F) storage range

Humidity: 95% R. H. non-condensing

Ordering Information
1. Specify Spectracom Model 8140 plus
   Option 01 for 19” EIA rack mount
   Option 07 for 5 MHz input
   Option 08 for 1 MHz input
   Option 20 for audible alarm
2. Specify output taps:
   Model 8140Txx provides fixed sine wave outputs:
   8140T10 = 10 MHz
   8140T5 = 5 MHz
   8140T1 = 1 MHz
   8140TR1 = 0.1 MHz
   Model 8140VT provides fixed custom frequencies.
3. Specify any required Line Extenders, 8140TA.
4. When exceeding 25 standard LineTap loads, order additional Model 8140 Amplifiers (see table).

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**Frequency Distribution System, Typical Interconnection Diagram**

![Diagram of Frequency Distribution System]

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