

Cisco RF Gateway 1

Product Overview

The Cisco® RF Gateway 1 is a standards-based universal edge QAM (U-EQAM) solution for convergence of high-speed and high-bandwidth data and video distribution at the edge of the cable access network. It is the first product in the Cisco RF Gateway product series. The Cisco RF Gateway 1 offers leading edge density, modularity, and flexibility with support for Switched Digital Video (SDV), VoD, Broadcast Video, and DOCSIS 3.0/Modular CMTS (M-CMTS) on a single QAM platform.

The Cisco RF Gateway 1 is a 4th generation QAM product that enhances SDV support, higher density (48 QAMs per RU), improved reliability, superior RF performance, 1 GHz RF output, and DOCSIS 3.0/M-CMTS capability. Cisco RF Gateway 1 is fully integrated and tested as part of the Cisco Digital Broadband Delivery System (DBDS) and the Cisco uBR10012 M-CMTS solution, accelerating the deployment and easing the management of digital video and DOCSIS services. The Cisco RF Gateway 1 enables the converged next-generation cable access network by offering comprehensive video and DOCSIS functions in a single U-EQAM platform.

Figure 1. Cisco RF Gateway 1



Applications

- Switched Digital Video
- VoD (and other unicast services)
- Broadcast Video
- High Definition or Standard Definition Content
- DOCSIS 3.0 / M-CMTS Architecture
- 1 GHz Expansion

Features and Benefits

Primary Benefits

The new compact Cisco RF Gateway 1 provides the following benefits for cable operators:

- Rapid time-to-market of QAM-based services to generate incremental revenue through a modular, flexible design based on a proven, fourth-generation QAM architecture
- Efficient use of capital expenditures through maximum spectrum efficiency (SDV, QAM Sharing, 1 GHz) and U-EQAM functionality (video and data) for flexibility and optimization in a variety of video and data network architectures
- Quality and reliability through a redundant architecture; full testing and integration with the Cisco DBDS Video Delivery System and the Cisco uBR10012 M-CMTS Architecture

Primary Features

The Cisco RF Gateway 1 provides up to 48 U-EQAM channels (for SDV, Broadcast, VoD, and DOCSIS 3.0/M-CMTS) in a compact 1 RU chassis. The modular design supports eight QAM channels per module, with four QAM channels per RF output port and frequency agility up to 1 GHz.

Primary features include:

- True U-EQAM video (broadcast, SDV, SD/HD, MPEG-2, AVC) and high speed data
- (M-CMTS/DTI, DOCSIS 3.0) in 1 RU form factor
- Table-based or session-based functionality
- Utilizes Direct Digital Synthesis (DDS) QAM technology which allows superior RF performance and stability
- 48 configurable QAM channels; each of which is fully agile 45–1000 MHz
- RF performance meets or exceeds CableLabs® DRFI specification CM-SP-DRFI-I06-080215
- Modular, hot-swappable, and Auto-configurable QAM cards
- Support for up to 2048 streams in 1 RU
- Fully redundant design with redundant Gigabit Ethernet ports and power supplies (AC/AC, AC/DC, or DC/DC)
- Front-to-back airflow to allow self-cooling and stacking
- Compliance with ITU-T J.83 standard, Annex A (DVB), Annex B (ATSC), or Annex C (Japan)
- Internet Group Management Protocol Version 3 (IGMPv3) support
- Low power consumption
- Four QAM channels per RF port available - independent of channel bandwidth (6, 7, and 8 MHz)

Table 1. Product Specifications

Specification	Value
Gigabit Ethernet Input Interface	
Number of inputs	2+2 (for redundancy) or 4 Independent (Not to exceed 2 Gbps max)
Connector	Optical/electrical Small Form Factor Pluggable (SFP)
Interface type	Gigabit Ethernet according to IEEE 802.3ab (Electrical) or IEEE 802.3z (Optical)
Input Data rate	Full line rate
Syntax	VBR and CBR MPEG SPTS and MPTS on UDP (RFC-768), RTP, L2TPv3, IGMPv3
Dejitter Buffering	150 ms
RF Outputs	
Number of outputs	Maximum 12 physical RF ports (each with 4 QAM channels)
Connector	F-type, 75 Ω
Frequency Range	Channel edges between 45 and 1000 MHz (tunable)
Step size	1 kHz
Stability	± 3 ppm
Accuracy	± 3 ppm
Channel Bandwidth	6, 7, or 8 MHz depending on QAM transmission standard
Level	
4-Channel Mode	• 53 dBmV RMS Max per QAM Channel in 0.5 dB steps
2-Channel Mode	• 57 dBmV RMS Max per QAM Channel in 0.5 dB steps
1-Channel Mode	• 61 dBmV RMS Max per QAM Channel in 0.5 dB steps
Stability	± 1 dB
Accuracy	± 1 dB
Return loss	>14 dB 45-750 MHz >13 dB 750-870 MHz >12 dB 870-1000 MHz Per DOCSIS 3.0 DRFI specification CM-SP-DRFI-03-060106
Management Interface	
Interface type	Ethernet 10/100 BASE-T
Connector	RJ-45
Protocols	HTTP, SNMP, FTP, RPC
Other Interfaces	
DTI	2 RJ-45 Primary and Redundant
Conditional Access	Ethernet 10/100 BASE-T
Signal Specifications	
Channel encoding	Randomization, Reed-Solomon, Trellis Encoding, and Interleaving configurable to ITU Annex A, B, or C
MER (before equalizer)	≥ 40 dB (at RF)
MER (after equalizer)	≥ 45 dB (at RF)
QAM constellations	64 and 256 QAM
Environmental Specifications	
Operating temperature	32 to 122°F (0 to 50°C)
Storage temperature	-40 to 158°F (-40 to 70°C)

Altitude	-200 to 10,000 feet AMSL
Operating humidity	5% to 95%, non-condensing
Power supply (nominal)	100 to 240V AC or -48V DC
Normal service voltage range	90 to 254V AC or -38 to -58V DC
Power consumption (fully loaded)	Typical 375 W, Maximum 410 W
Chassis Mechanical Specifications	
Height	1.75 in. (44.45 mm) (1 RU)
Width	19 in. (482.6 mm)
Depth	21.0 in. (533.4 mm)
Weight	27.5 lbs (12.5 kg)

Table 2. Ordering Information

Cisco RF Gateway 1	Part Number: RFGW-1
Configured Units (examples of configured units*)	
1 RU Chassis, Video – 48 QAMs, AC/AC, North America	RFGW1A6AAUV0400000
1 RU Chassis, Video – 48 QAMs, DC/DC	RFGW1A6DD0V0400000
1 RU Chassis, Data – 48 QAMs, AC/AC, North America	RFGW1A6AAUD0400000
1 RU Chassis, Data – 48 QAMs, DC/DC	RFGW1A6DD0D0400000
*Other Chassis Configurations available	Please contact your account team
AC Power Cords	
Argentina	207340
Australia	1000897
China	745415
Europe	3989835
Italy	3993130
Japan	3993133
UK	3989836
US	3989838
SFP Plug-ins – WDM types	
GE SFP Module 850 nm (LC, up to 500 m)	4002019
SFP Plug-ins – 1000 BT copper	
GE SFP Module 1000 BT copper	4006222

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