

HM8123, HM8123-X Programmable Counter Technical Data

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Key facts

- Measurement range: DC to 3GHz
- Input A/B (BNC): DC to 200MHz
- Input C (SMA): 100 MHz to 3GHz
- Input impedance A/B: 50Ω or 1MΩ (switchable), sensitivity 25mV
- Input impedance C: 50Ω, sensitivity 30mV
- 10-digit resolution (at 10s gate time)
- 9 measurement functions, external GATE and ARMING connectors (BNC)
- External Ref.-Input (10MHz) via BNC-connector
- HM8123: TCXO (temperature stability: $\pm 0.5 \times 10^{-6}$)
M8123-X: OCXO (temperature stability: $\pm 1.0 \times 10^{-8}$)
- RS-232/USB dual interface, IEEE-488 (GPIB) optional
- Fanless design

Test & Measurement

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3 GHz Programmable Counter

HM8123

All data valid at 23°C after 30 minutes warm-up.

Input characteristics (Input A and B)

Connection	BNC socket
Frequency range	
0 to 200 MHz	DC coupled
10Hz to 200 MHz	1 MΩ, AC coupled
500 kHz to 200 MHz	50 Ω, AC coupled
Input impedance	1 MΩ 30 pF or 50 Ω (switchable)
Attenuation	1:1, 1:10, 1:100 (selectable)
Sensitivity (normal triggering)	
0 to 80 MHz	25 mV _{rms} (sine wave), 80 mV _{ss} (pulse)
80 to 200 MHz	65 mV _{rms} (sine wave)
20Hz to 80 MHz	50 mV _{rms} (sine wave, auto trigger)
Trigger (programmable via encoder or software)	
Attenuation:	Trigger level Resolution
1:1	0 to ±2 V 1 mV
1:10	0 to ±20 V 10 mV
1:100	0 to ±200 V 100 mV
Max. input voltage	
Input 1 MΩ	250V (DC + ACpeak) from 0 to 440Hz decreasing to 8V _{rms} at 1 MHz
Input 50 Ω	5V _{rms}
Minimum pulse duration	<5ns for single pulse
Input noise	(typ.) 100 μV
Auto trigger (AC coupling)	trigger point: 50% of peak-to-peak value
Trigger slope	Rising or falling
Filter	50kHz low-pass filter (selectable)

Input characteristics (Input C)

Connection	SMA socket
Frequency range:	100MHz to 3GHz
Input sensitivity	to 1GHz: 30 mV _{rms} (typ. 20 mV _{rms}) 1 to 3GHz: 100 mV _{rms} (typ. 80 mV _{rms})
Input impedance	50 Ω nominal
Max. Input voltage	5V (DC + AC _{peak})

Input characteristics

Input impedance	External Reset	Reference	Gate/ Arming
Max. Input voltage	±30V	±20V	±30V
Input sensitivity		typ. 2 V _{pp}	-
High level	-	-	>2V
Low level	<0,5V	-	<0,5V
Min. pulse duration	200ns	-	50ns
Input frequency	-	10MHz	-
Min. eff. gate time	-	-	20μs

Measurement functions

Frequency A/B/C; period duration A; width A; totalize A; RPM A; frequency ratio A/B; time interval A:B; time interval A:B (average); phase A to B; Duty cycle A; burst measurements

Frequency measurement (Inputs A, B, C)

Frequency range	0 to 200 MHz (3GHz)
LSD	(1,25 x 10 ⁻⁸ s x frequency) / measurement time
Resolution	1 LSD

Accuracy	±(resolution/frequency ±time inaccuracy ±trigger error ²⁾ / measurement time)
Period duration measurement	
Range	5ns to 10.000s
LSD	(1,25 x 10 ⁻⁸ s x period) / measurement time
Resolution	1 LSD
Accuracy	±resolution / period ±(trigger error ²⁾ / measurement time)
Totalization A	
	manual control external control
Range	0 to 200 MHz
Min. pulse duration	10ns
LSD	1 count
Resolution	LSD
Accuracy	(resolution ±ext. gate time error ×frequency A) / total
Pulse resolution	10ns
Ext. gate error	100 ns
Time interval/Average time interval	
(Input A = start; Input B = stop)	
LSD	10ns (0,1ps to 10ns im 'average' mode)
Resolution	1LSD
Accuracy	±(resolution + trigger error ²⁾ +system error) / time interval ±time base uncertainty (system error: ≤4ns)
Number of average	N = 1 to 25 LSD = 10ns N = 26 to 2.500 LSD = 1ns N = 2.501 to 250.000 LSD = 100ps N = 250.001 to 25.000.000 LSD = 10ps N = >25.000.000 LSD = 0,1ps
Drehzahlmessung	
NPR ¹⁾ presetting	1 to 65,535 pulses per revolution
Gate time	330ms fixed
LSD	7,5 x 10 ⁻⁸ x revolution speed
Resolution	1 LSD
Accuracy	±(trigger error ²⁾ / 0.33) ±time base error
Offset	
Range	Covers the entire measurement range
Resolution	Same resolution as in normal measurement. If the gate time is changed in the offset mode, the offset resolution is the reference value resolution or the current reading resolution (whichever is less precise).
Gate time	
Range	1 ms to 65s
Resolution	1 ms
External gate time	min. 20μs
Time base	
Frequency	400MHz clock rate; 10MHz Quarz
Temperature stability (0 to 50°C)	TCXO (standard): ±0,5 x 10 ⁻⁶ OCXO (HO85): ±1,0 x 10 ⁻⁸
Alterung TCXO	<0.27 ppm per month, 0.05 ppm per day
OCXO	≤ ±1 x 10 ⁻⁹ /day
External Reference	10MHz ±20 ppm
Miscellaneous	
Interface	Dual-Interface USB/RS-232 (HO820), optional HO880 IEEE-488 (GPIB)
Safety class	Safety class I (EN61010-1)
Display	LCD display (83 x 21 mm)
Netzanschluss	115 to 230V ±10%, 45 to 60Hz, CAT II

Power consumption	approx. 20W
Operating temperature	+5 to +40°C
Storage temperature	-20 to +70°C
Rel. humidity	5 to 80% (without condensation)
Dimensions (W x H x D)	285 x 75 x 365 mm
Weight	approx. 4 kg

1) NPR=number of pulses per revolution

2) Trigger error= \pm noise input (V_{pp})/slew rate of the input signal

Accessories supplied:

Line cord, Operating manual

Recommended accessories:

HO880 Interface IEEE-488 (GPIB), galvanically isolated
 HZ20 Adapter, BNC to 4mm banana
 HZ24 Attenuators 50Ω (3/6/10/20 dB)
 HZ42 19" Rackmount kit 2RU
 HZ72 GPIB-Cable 2 m

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