High Frequency Charge Amplifier



| Features | High Gain of 10 V/pC Wide Operating Range from 250 Hz to 15 MHz Low Input Noise of 40 x 10⁻²¹ C/√Hz and 700 pV/√Hz Optimized for Sinusoidal Signals from AC Coupled Charge Sources Pyro- and Piezoelectric Detectors Tuning Fork Quartz Crystals Length Extension Resonators Atomic Force Microscopy Optical Measurements Charged Particle Beam Monitoring | | | |
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| Applications | | | | |
| Specifications | Test Conditions | $Vs = \pm 15 V$, $Ta = 2$ | 25°C | |
| Gain | Charge Gain Equivalent Current Gain Gain Accuracy | 10 ¹³ V/C 1.6 x 10 ⁶ V/A ± 3 % | (@ 1 MHz sinusoidal input signal) | |
| Bandwidth | Lower Cut-Off Frequency (-3 dB) Upper Cut-Off Frequency (-3 dB) | | (with max. 100 pF source capacitance) | |
| Input | Input Impedance Effective AC Input Impedance Input Charge Noise Equivalent Input Current Noise (@ 1 MHz sinusoidal input signal) Input Voltage Noise Max. Input Charge | 1 G Ω // 10 nF 20 Ω @ 1MHz 40 x 10 $^{-21}$ C/ \sqrt{Hz} 90 x 10 $^{-21}$ C/ \sqrt{Hz} 250 fA/ \sqrt{Hz} 570 fA/ \sqrt{Hz} 700 pV/ \sqrt{Hz} 1 pC peak-peak | (with open input) (with 100 pF source capacitance) (with open input) (with 100 pF source capacitance) (@ 1 MHz) | |
| Output | Output Voltage Range Output Impedance Integrated Broadband Noise | , | $_{\rm N}$ -peak (@ \geq 1 M Ω load, for linear operation) rminate with \geq 1 M Ω load for best performance) nV peak-peak or 3.5 mV rms (@ \geq 1 M Ω load) | |
| Power Supply | Supply Voltage Supply Current | \pm 15 V \pm 35 mA typ. (depends on operating conditions, recommended power supply capability min. \pm 100 mA) | | |
| Case | Weight Material | 200 g (0.44 lb.) AlMg4.5Mn, nickel-plated | | |
| Temperature Range | Storage Temperature Operating Temperature | - 40 °C to +100 °C +20 °C to +40 °C | | |

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| Absolute Maximum Ratings | Input Voltage Power Supply Voltage | 1 V peak-peak ± 18 V |
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| Connectors | Input | BNC |
| | Output | BNC |
| | Power Supply | LEMO series 1S, 3-pin fixed socket Pin 1: + 15V Pin 2: - 15V Pin 3: GND PIN 2 PIN 2 PIN 3 GND |

Operation

General:

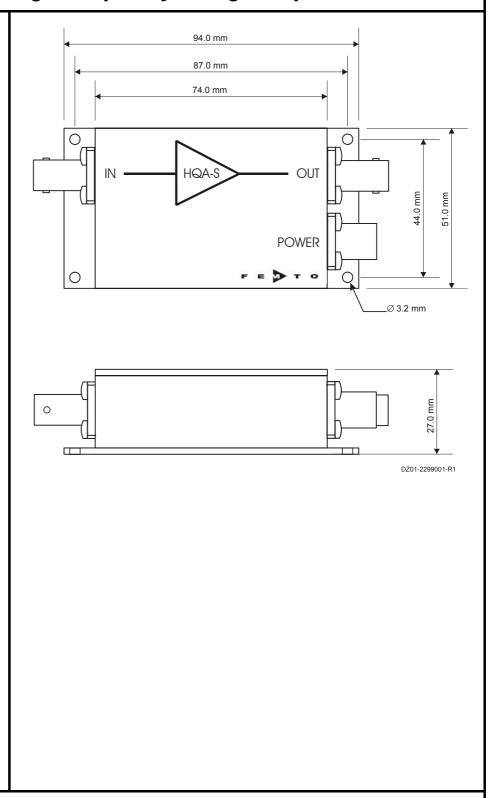
The amplifier is AC coupled for direct use with a charge sensor producing sinusoidal signals with no DC background. A source capacitance of less than 1 nF is recommended for proper operation. If the effective source capacitance (sensor plus cable capacitance) is small relative to the effective input impedance of the amplifier (10 nF) the amplifier acts as a virtual ground and most of the charge flows into the amplifier input. At 1 MHz the amplifier input capacitance of 10 nF corresponds to a complex input impedance of 20 Ω . An input resistor of 1 $G\Omega$ is incorporated to prevent buildup of static charge. The amplifier is not suited for sources producing an average DC background current as this would saturate the device.

Preliminary Datasheet

HQA-15M-10T

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Dimensions



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