

WIDEBAND VCO WITH BUFFER AMPLIFIER MODULE, 38.4 - 43.2 GHz



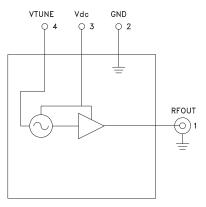


Typical Applications

The HMC-C073 VCO Module is ideal for:

- OC-768 Fiber Optic Systems
- Test and Measurement Equipment
- Lab Instrumentation
- Industrial/Medical Equipment
- Millimeterwave Subsystems

Functional Diagram



Features

Wideband Tuning Frequency: 38.4 - 43.2 GHz

High Output Power: +13 dBm High Output Voltage: 3.5V pp

Low Phase Noise: -98 dBc/Hz @ 100 kHz Offset

Low Jitter: 37 fs

Single Positive Supply: +5V @ 350 mA

Operating Temperature: -55°C to + 85°C

Ultra-Small Hermetic Module

Field Replaceable 2.4mm Connector

General Description

The HMC-C073 is a high performance VCO that operates over a 38.4 to 43.2 GHz band. An internal output buffer provides +13 dBm of output power and provides excellent frequency pulling performance. Phase noise is excellent at -98 dBc/Hz at 100 kHz offset and the unit provides exceptionally low jitter of 37 fs (calculated). The Vtune port accepts an analog tuning voltage from +2 to +13V. This robust VCO is housed in a very small hermetic module measuring 0.7" x 0.99" x 0.23". The module is supplied with a 2.4mm connector, which can be replaced by a GPO connector.

Electrical Specifications, $T_A = +25^{\circ}$ C, Vdc = +5V

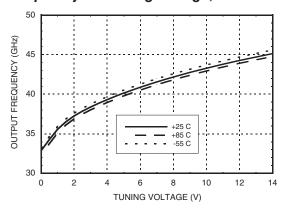
| Parameter | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Units |
|--|------|-------------|------|--------|
| Frequency Range | | 38.4 - 43.2 | | |
| Power Output | 10 | 13 | | dBm |
| SSB Phase Noise @ 10 kHz Offset | | -74 | | dBc/Hz |
| SSB Phase Noise @ 100 kHz Offset | | -98 | | dBc/Hz |
| Jitter (50 kHz to 80 MHz) (Calculated) | | 37 | | fs |
| Tune Voltage (Vtune) | 2 | | 13 | V |
| Sub Harmonic (fo/4) | | -40 | | dBc |
| Sub Harmonic (fo/2) | | -30 | | dBc |
| Frequency Pushing | | 40 | | MHz/V |
| Frequency Pulling (into 2:0:1 Load) | | 5 | | kHz pp |
| Output Return Loss | | 17 | | dB |
| Voltage Supply (Vdc) | 4.5 | 5 | 5.5 | V |
| Supply Current | | 350 | 400 | mA |



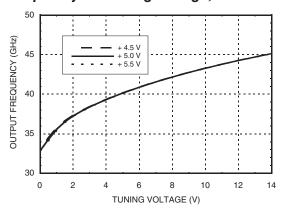


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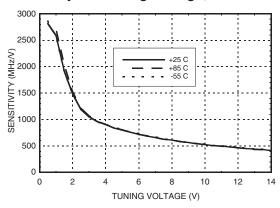
Frequency vs. Tuning Voltage, Vdc = +5V



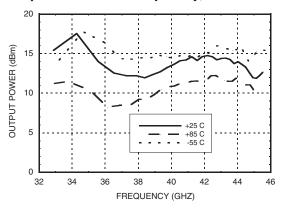
Frequency vs. Tuning Voltage, T = +25°C



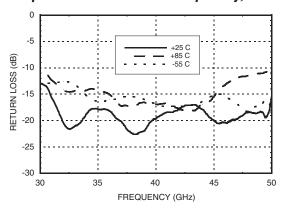
Sensitivity vs. Tuning Voltage, Vdc = +5V



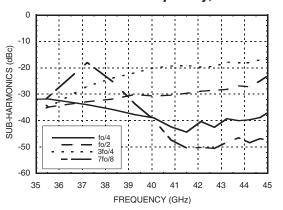
Output Power vs. Frequency, Vdc = +5V



Output Return Loss vs. Frequency, Vdc = +5V



Sub-Harmonics vs. Frequency, Vdc = +5V





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Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Vdc | +5.5V |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Vtune | +15V |
| Storage Temperature | -65 to +150 °C |
| Operating Temperature | -55 to +85 °C |
| Max Junction Temperature | 150 °C |
| Thermal Resistance | 29 °C/W |

Pin Descriptions

| Pin Number | Function | Description | Interface Schematic | |
|------------|----------|---|---------------------|--|
| 1 | RFOUT | RF output (AC coupled) uses a female 2.4mm connector. | RFOUT O | |
| 2 | GND | Must be connected to power supply ground. | → GND — | |
| 3 | Vdc | Supply Voltage Vdc = +4.5V to 5.5V | Vdc ○ | |
| 4 | VTUNE | 2 to +13V | 3nH Vtune ○ | |





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Outline Drawing

