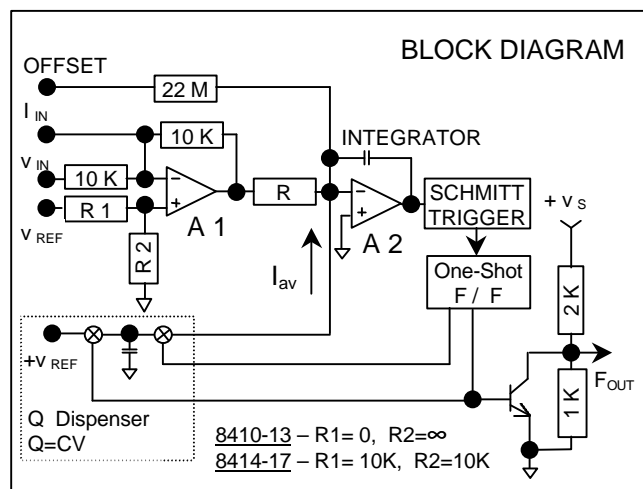


1 MHz Voltage to Frequency Converters

S.E. Models 8410, 8412, 8413

Diff. Models 8414, 8417



Features:

- **Guaranteed Minimum / Maximum Specifications**
- **Wide Dynamic Range**
 - $> 1,000,000:1 > 120 \text{ dB}$
- **Excellent Linearity**
 - $0.001\% \text{ FS}$
 - $\pm 0.02\% \text{ of input}$
- **Excellent Stability**
 - $10 \text{ mV} / ^\circ\text{C offset}$
 - $10 \text{ ppm} / ^\circ\text{C gain}$
- **Buffered Frequency Output**
 - 10 TTL loads
- **Self-contained Subsystem**
 - $2'' \times 2'' \times 0.4'' \text{ module}$
- **Low Power**
 - $< 0.95 \text{ W}$

Applications:

- **Analytical Instrumentation**
- **Medical Instrumentation**
- **Telemetry**
- **Data Recording**
- **Weighing Systems**

Description

The **8400 Series** are high performance, high precision 1MHz full scale Voltage-to Frequency Converters intended for applications which require high resolution, very high linearity, and a six decade dynamic range. Units are available with varying gain drift performance over temperature in both single-ended and differential input configurations. The Single-ended analog voltage input of all units is $10 \mu\text{V}$ to 10 V full scale with a 10% over-range capability. The differential input signal is either a positive or negative $10 \mu\text{V}$ to 10 V full scale, with common-mode signals attenuated by 60 dB minimum. The input signal is converted to an output proportional to the full scale frequency, within 0.001% linearity, utilizing the long-proven charge balance technique. A buffered TTL-compatible frequency output with a 10 TTL-load fanout is provided that will drive up to 200 pF capacitive loads.

Stability of the **8400 Series** over temperature is excellent, with a $40 \mu\text{V} / ^\circ\text{C}$ maximum offset and $15 \text{ ppm} / ^\circ\text{C}$ maximum (**8413**) gain tempco. Warm-up time to 0.02% accuracy is less than two (2) minutes. In applications that require slightly different specifications such as different full scale output frequency, or where fixed offset or different full scale voltages would be convenient, **custom frequencies** and/or **custom trimming** can be easily accommodated. Other variations such as ratio-metric operation, FET input op-amp, or extended temperature range can also be accommodated. Please contact the factory to discuss your specific requirements.

The **8400 Series** are packaged in a $2.00'' \times 2.00'' \times 0.40''$ modular package. Power dissipation is less than 0.95 W maximum, and operation to rated performance is over the 0° C to $+70^\circ \text{ C}$ temperature range.

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Using The 8400 Series of V/F Converters

General Considerations

Figure 1 depicts a typical circuit configuration for the **8400 Series**. The layout should be clean, with output pulses routed as far away from the input analog signals as possible. For maximum performance, bypass capacitors, as shown in Figure 1, should be mounted right at the appropriate pins of the **8410**.

Grounding

The Analog and Digital grounds are internally separate in the **8400 Series**. The use of ground plane is not necessary for proper operation; however, a ground plane is recommended with any analog signal conditioning circuitry that may be used in front of the V/F, especially if this circuitry involves high gains. Any amplifiers used in front of the **8410** should be de-coupled to eliminate potential problems with the high frequency output of the V/F.

Offset and Gain Trimming

The OFFSET adjustment potentiometer should be a 50 K Ω , 10-turn unit. With this pot in the circuit, initial offsets of up to ± 10 mV may be trimmed to zero. The GAIN adjustment potentiometer should be a 200 Ω , 10-turn unit with a recommended temperature coefficient of 100 ppm or better. With this pot in the circuit, initial gain errors of up to $\pm 2\%$ may be trimmed to zero.

Offset and Gain Calibration

Offset calibration should be performed prior to gain calibration. With a +1 mV analog signal at the input of the 8400 Series, adjust the OFFSET potentiometer until a frequency of 100 Hz is observed on the output pin.

With a full scale analog input voltage of +10.00 V, adjust the GAIN potentiometer until a full scale frequency of 1.000 MHz is observed on the output pin.

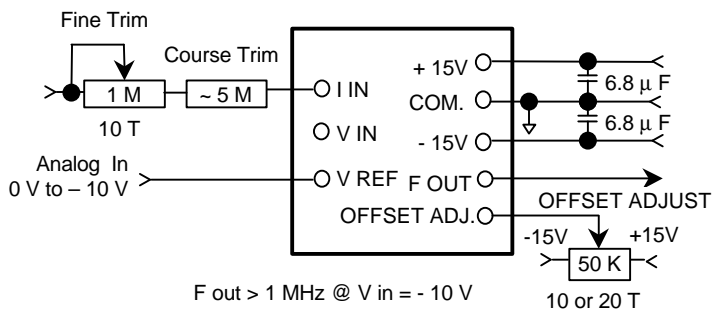


Fig. 3. High Impedance Inputs (8410, 8412, 8413 Only)

Input Considerations

Single-ended Inputs

The Vin pin accepts a 0 V to +10 V analog input, and has an impedance of 10 K Ω . Figure 2 provides a recommended configuration for expanded or contracted input ranges.

High Impedance Inputs (8410-8413 only)

Figure 3 shows the input configuration for a high impedance, 0 V to -10 V input. This configuration is differential, referenced to the Vref input. An input of -10 V will produce a frequency approximately 10 kHz above 1 MHz. The GAIN ADJUST potentiometer will only trim the output frequency higher.

Differential Inputs

The input can be configured as a differential input as shown in Figure 4. The differential input impedance is 40 K Ω . The maximum common mode voltage is ± 10 V.

Negative Input Currents (8410-8413 only)

Figure 5 shows the input configuration for negative input currents. No degradation in performance will occur for full scale frequencies of 1 MHz with input voltages ($-I_{in} \times R_L$) from -10 V down to -1 V. If some degradation of dynamic range and stability can be tolerated, an input voltage as low as -1 mV can be used. This degradation is due to the input voltage drift and bias current when compared to signal voltage and current levels. The input configuration is differential, referred to the Vref input.

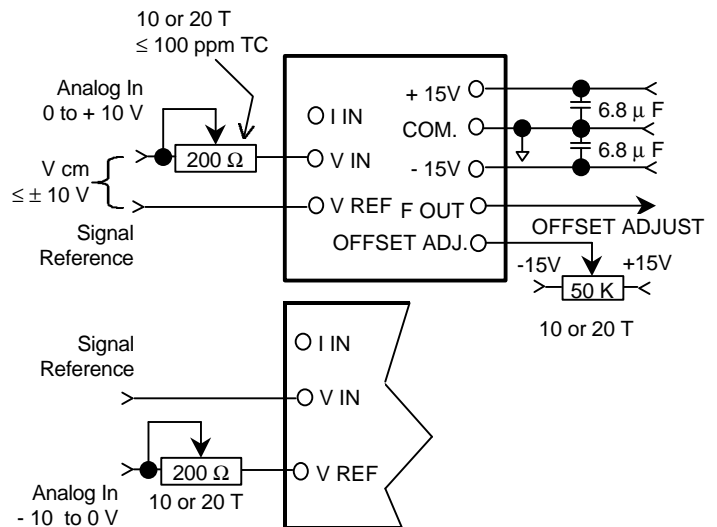


Fig. 4. Differential Inputs (8414, 8417 Only)

Useful Configurations (cont.)

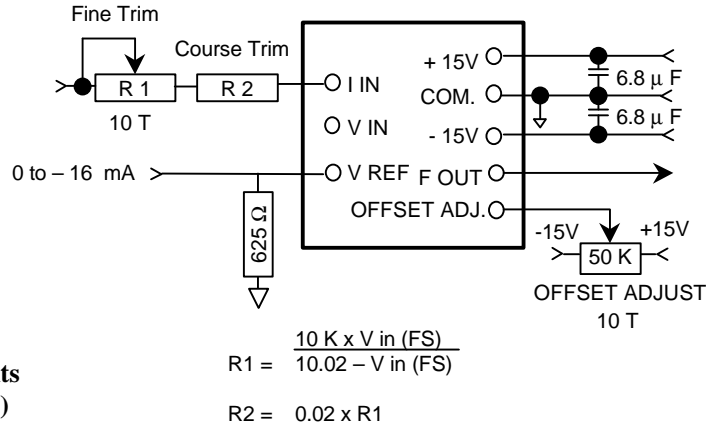
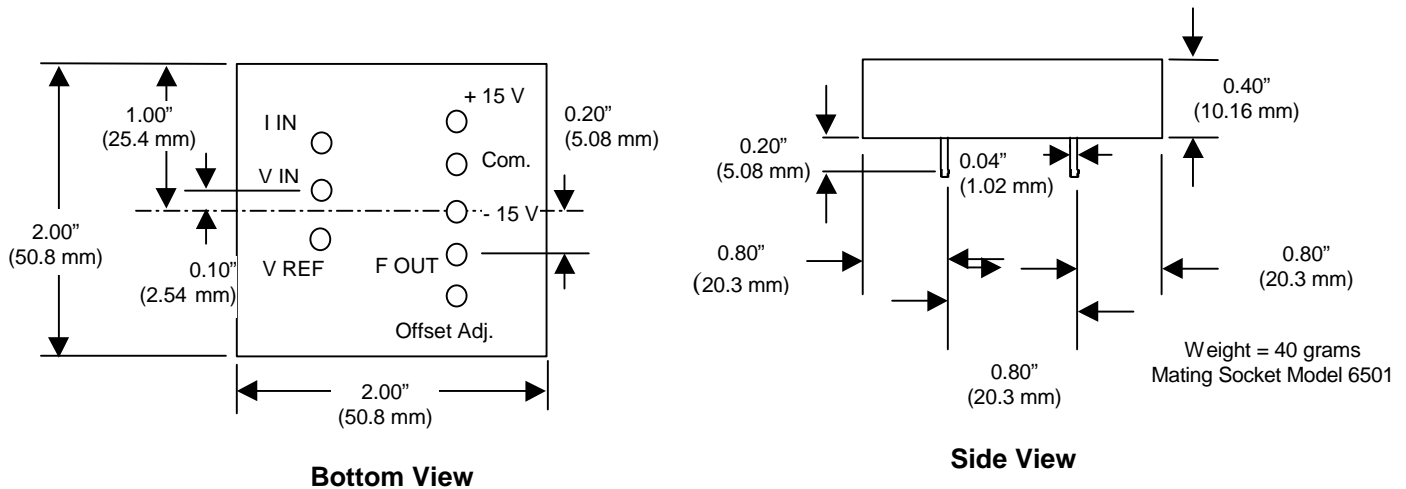


Fig. 5. Negative Input Currents
(8410, 8412, 8413 Only)

Mechanical Dimensions and Pin Key



Ordering Information

Voltage to Frequency Converters	Model	Input	Input Frequency Range
	8410	Single-ended	100 ppm FS / °C maximum Gain Drift
	8412	Single-ended	25 ppm FS / °C maximum Gain Drift
	8413	Single-ended	15 ppm FS / °C maximum Gain Drift
	8414	Differential	100 ppm FS / °C maximum Gain Drift
Accessories	Model	Description	
	6501	Socket	