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MMCX Probe Series **with Universal BNC Interface**

Up to 1 GHz, <4pF
 $\pm 42V_{pk}$, 60V DC

Preliminary

Instruction Manual



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Warranty

PMK warrants this product for normal use and operation within specifications for a period of one year from date of shipment and will repair or replace any defective product which was not damaged by negligence, misuse, improper installation, accident or unauthorized repair or modification by the buyer. This warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship only and does not cover wear and tear. PMK disclaims any other implied warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. PMK will not be liable for any indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages (including damages for loss of profits, loss of business, loss of use or data, interruption of business and the like), even if PMK has been advised of the possibility of such damages arising from any defect or error in this manual or product.

Declaration of Conformity

 PMK declares the conformity of this product with the actual required safety standards in accordance with the Low Voltage Directive (LVD) 2014/35/EU:

The basis on which conformity is being declared:

EN IEC 61326-1:2021	Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – EMC requirements - Part 1: General requirements
EN IEC 61000-4-2:2008	Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) –Part 4-2: Testing and measurement techniques –Electrostatic discharge immunity test
EN IEC 61010-031:2022	Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use – Part 031: Safety requirements for hand-held probe assemblies for electrical measurement and test

WEEE/ RoHS Directives



This electronic product is classified within the WEEE/ RoHS category list as monitoring and control equipment (category 9) and is compliant to the following EC Directives.

WEEE Directive 2012/19/EU	Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment
RoHS Directive 2011/65/EU	Restriction of the use of certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment

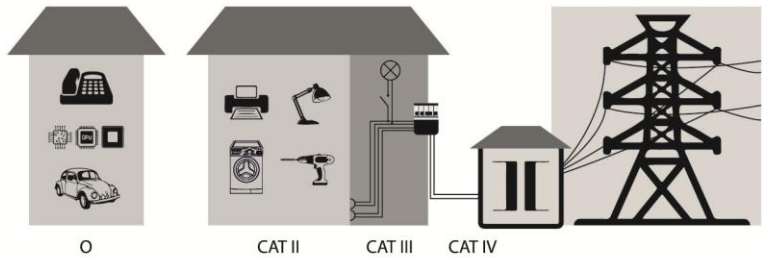
Your help and efforts are required to protect and keep clean our environment. Therefore, return this electronic product at the end of its life either to our Service Department or take care of separate WEEE collection and professional WEEE treatment yourself. Do not dispose as unsorted municipal waste.

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IEC Pollution Degrees

Definitions and Examples:



Overview of measurement categories according to IEC 61010-01
O = No Measurement Category (Other circuits that are not directly connected to mains)

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|---------------------------|---|
| Pollution Degree 1 | No POLLUTION or only dry, nonconductive POLLUTION. NOTE: The POLLUTION has no influence. |
| Pollution Degree 2 | Only- nonconductive POLLUTION. Occasionally, however, a temporary conductivity caused by condensation must be accepted. |
| Pollution Degree 3 | Conductive POLLUTION occurs or dry, non-conductive POLLUTION occurs which becomes conductive due to condensation which is to be expected. |

IEC Safety Symbols

The following symbols may appear on the product or in this instruction manual:



Caution, risk of danger. Refer to manual.



Caution, risk of electric shock.



Earth (ground) TERMINAL.

Safety and Handling Information

The overall safety of any measurement setup incorporating this probe is the responsibility of the user.

**Prevent personal injury, fire and product damage.**

To avoid personal injury and to prevent fire or damage to this product or products connected to it, review and comply with the following safety precautions. Be aware that if you use this probe assembly in a manner not specified the protection this product provides may be impaired. Only qualified personnel should use this probe assembly.

**Use only grounded instruments.**

Do not connect the MMCX ground contact to a potential other than earth ground. Always make sure the probe and the measurement instrument are grounded properly.

**Connect and disconnect properly.**

Connect the probe output to the measurement instrument before connecting the probe's MMCX plug input to the MMCX socket test point in the circuit under test.

Disconnect the probe's MMCX input from the de-energized circuit under test before disconnecting the probe from the measurement instrument.

**Observe probe and probe accessory ratings.**

Do not apply any electrical potential to the probe input which exceeds the maximum ratings of the probe, or the accessories connected to it. In case of a combination always the lower rating / measurement category applies to both probe and accessories connected to it.

**Keep away from hazardous live circuits.**

Avoid open circuitry. Do not touch connections or components when power is present.

Do not operate with suspected failures.

Refer to qualified service personnel.

Indoor use only.

Do not operate in wet or damp environment. Keep the product dry and clean.

Do not operate the product in an explosive atmosphere.

About MMCX Probes

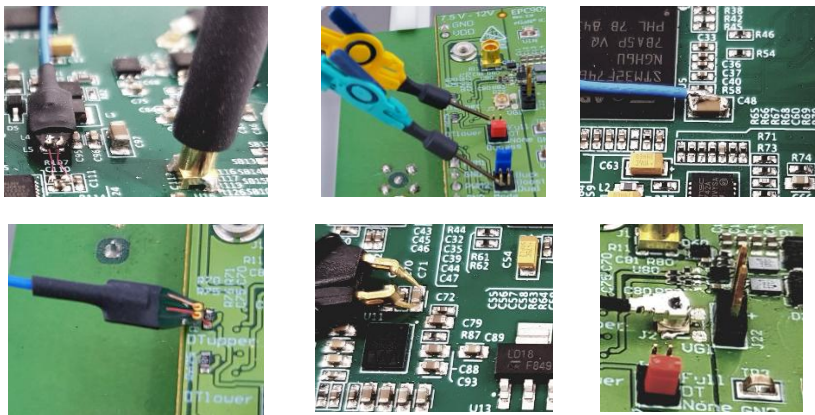
Over the last years MMCX has developed as the standard connectivity solution for repeatable measurements with highest signal fidelity.

Where traditional passive probes have long ground leads meaning a high inductance causing a ground loop, the compact MMCX design overcomes these traditional obstacles.

PMK's MMCX probe series provides models with a very low capacitive loading of less than 4pF for least capacitive loading and highest signal fidelity with their direct MMCX input.

Different models are available up to >1GHz bandwidth and $\pm 42\text{V}$ input voltage making the MMCX probe series the modern and ideal solution for testing, debugging, and design validation.

Individual Connectivity Accessories for the Highest Signal Fidelity



The MMCX probes series has a universal BNC output connector and is compatible with any oscilloscope in the lab. Active models MMCX-A require a 50Ω input impedance, or $1\text{M}\Omega$ input impedance and a 50Ω feed-through termination. Passive models MMCX-P require $1\text{M}\Omega$ input impedance.

The active probe models require a power supply, which is not included in the scope of delivery, and has to be ordered separately. Review the Ordering Information at the end of this document for more details.

Factory Calibration

The active probe models are shipped with calibration certificate. For the passive probe models, the certificate is optional.

Annual re-calibration of the active probes is recommended. ISO17025 calibration upon delivery or as re-calibration will be possible on request.

Specifications

Read the Instruction Manual before first use and keep it for future reference. A digital copy of the latest Instruction Manual revision can be downloaded at www.pmk.de.

Do not exceed the specifications. Allow the probe to warm up for 20 minutes. This probe comes with 1 year warranty. Each specification is determined at +23 °C ambient temperature. This probe series is not rated for CAT II, III or IV.

Electrical Specifications

Specifications that are not marked with (*) as guaranteed are typical.

Model Number	Attenuation Ratio (± 2 % at DC)	Bandwidth (-3dB) ¹	Rise time (10%-90%) ¹	Input Impedance
MMCX-P0725	25:1	> 700 MHz	< 570 ps	14.9 MΩ < 4 pF
MMCX-P0610	10:1	> 600 MHz	< 630 ps	10 MΩ < 8 pF
MMCX-A1025	25:1	> 1 GHz	< 425 ps	19.5 MΩ < 4 pF

Each input accessory is lowering the probe's bandwidth. Please review the "Ordering Information" section for the bandwidth limitations of each accessory.

Referring derating over frequency graphs are available in the MMCX Probe Series instruction manual.

Model Number	Noise ^{2,3} (Input referred)	Propagation Delay	Compensation Range	Probe Type	Input Coupling of the Measuring Instrument
MMCX-P0725	n/a	< 5 ns	10 pF – 25 pF	passive	1 MΩ
MMCX-P0610	n/a	< 5 ns	10 pF – 25 pF	passive	1 MΩ
MMCX-A1025 ⁴	0.3 mV AC rms, 54.8 nV sqrt(Hz), (measured DC-30 MHz)	< 6 ns	n/a	active	50 Ω

The following specification is valid for all models:

Maximum Rated Input Voltage ± 42V peak, 30 V rms, ± 60 V DC
Pollution Degree 2

Mechanical Specifications

Parameter	Specification
Weight (Probe only)	45g (passive) / 110g (active)
Length	1.2 m
Probe Input	MMCX (Male)
Output Connector	BNC (Male) ⁵

Notes

¹ Determined with a Tektronix 6GHz MSO6B series oscilloscope

² Only applicable for active probe models MMCX-A

³ RMS noise [mV] at 500MHz bandwidth; noise in [nV/sqrt(Hz)] at 100MHz

⁴ A power supply is required and needs to be ordered separately.

⁵ Depending on model, available with or without read-out

Environmental Specifications

Parameter		Specification
Temperature Range	Operating	-40 °C to +60 °C
	Non-Operating	-40 °C to +71 °C
Maximum Relative Humidity	Operating	80 % relative humidity for temperatures up to +31 °C, decreasing linearly to 40 % at +45 °C, non-condensing humidity
	Non-Operating	95 % relative humidity for temperatures up to +40 °C
Altitude	Operating	up to 2000 m
	Non-Operating	up to 15000 m

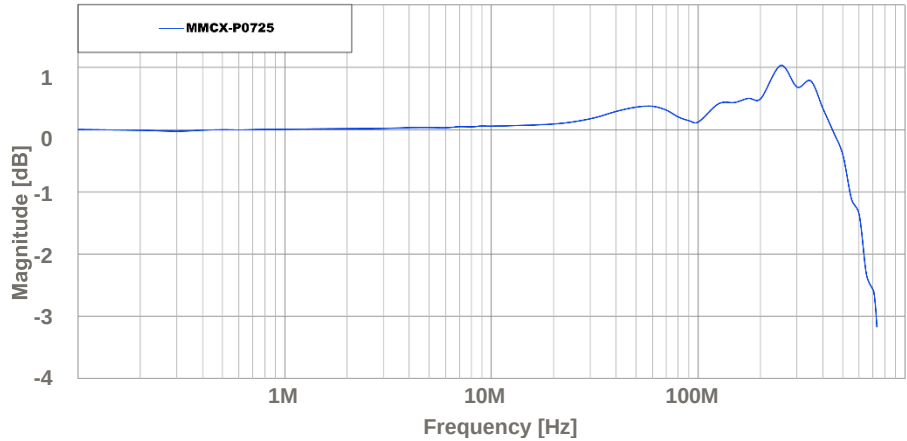
Dimensions

The dimensional drawing is coming soon.

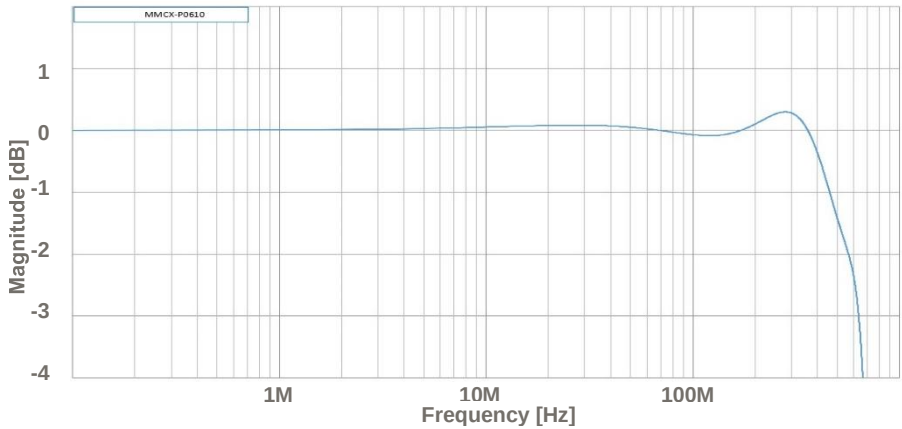
Typical Frequency Response

The frequency response plot shown here is for the probe series without any accessories. Frequency responses with specific accessories are available on request.

Typical Frequency Response – MMCX-P0725 – normalized



Typical Frequency Response – MMCX-P0610 - normalized

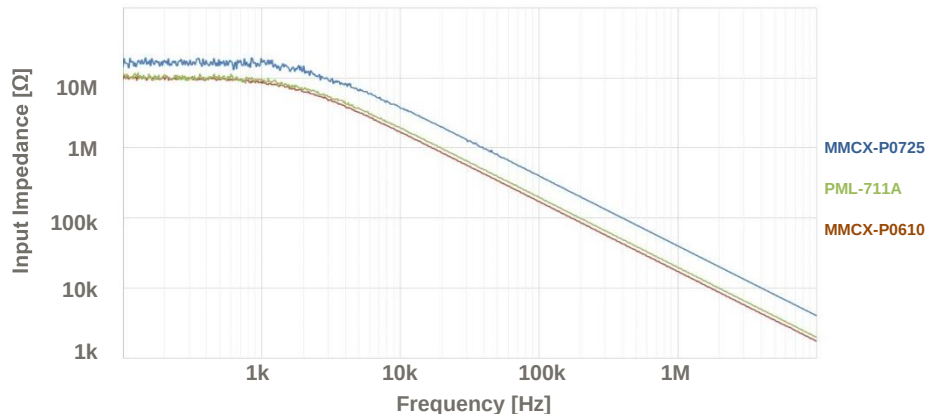


Typical Input Impedance

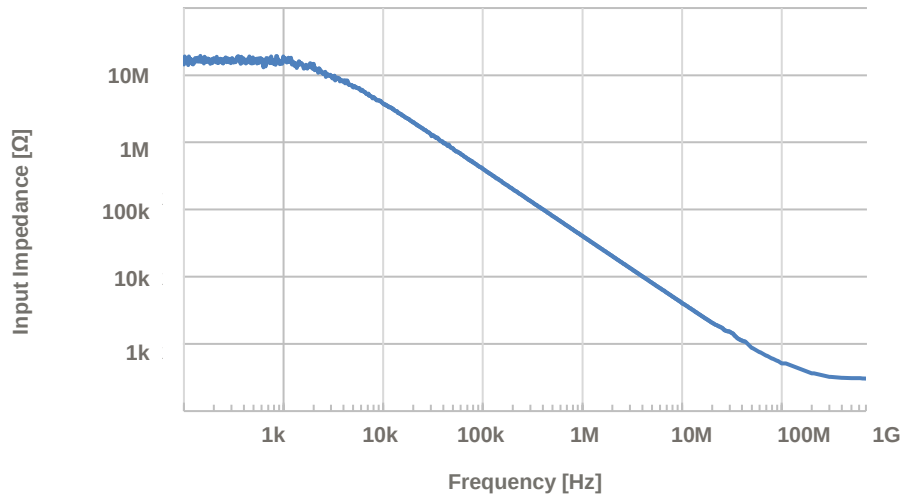


The input impedance of the probe decreases as the frequency of the applied signal increases.

Typical Differential Input Impedance – MMCX-P0725, MMCX-P0610(RO)



Typical Differential Input Impedance – MMCX-P0725 (full bandwidth)



Cleaning

To clean the exterior of the probe, use a soft cloth moistened with either distilled water or isopropyl alcohol. Before use allow the probe to dry completely.

Adjustment Procedures

The passive probe MMCX-P models can be adjusted for low frequency (LF) compensation and for high frequency (HF) compensation.

A factory calibration is possible at any time on request.



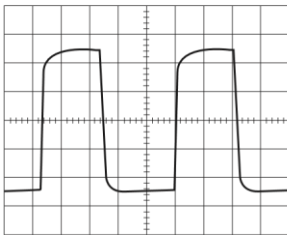
The trimmers are sensitive components. Too much mechanical pressure during adjustment might damage the trimmers.

LF Compensation

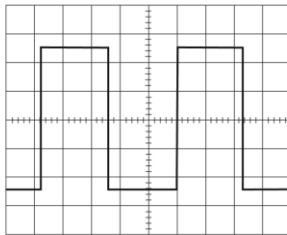
When the probe is connected to the oscilloscope input the first time, the probe's cable capacitance needs to be matched to the oscilloscope input capacitance. This matching assures good amplitude accuracy from DC to the probe's bandwidth.

A poorly compensated probe clearly influences the overall system performance (probe + scope) and causes measurement errors resulting in inaccurate readings and distorted waveforms.

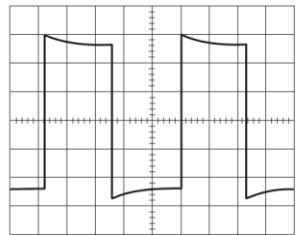
LF compensation is performed by connecting the probe to the CAL – output on the oscilloscope front panel and adjusting the LF compensation trimmer to optimum square wave response. For clarification see below figures.



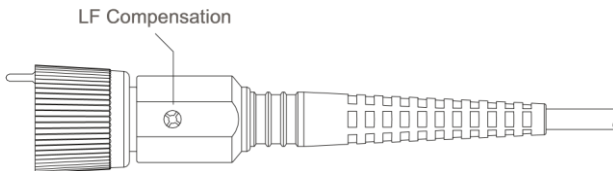
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overcompensated



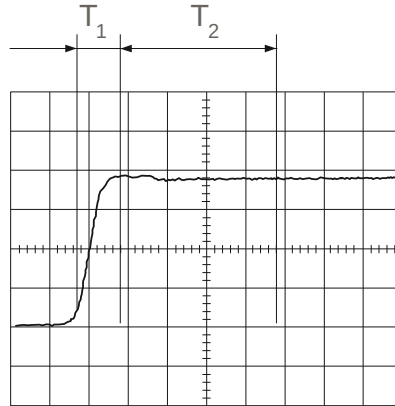
HF Compensation

Overshoot doesn't necessarily need to be adjusted when connecting the probe to your oscilloscope for the first time.

We recommend to use the following equipment for proper HF compensation:

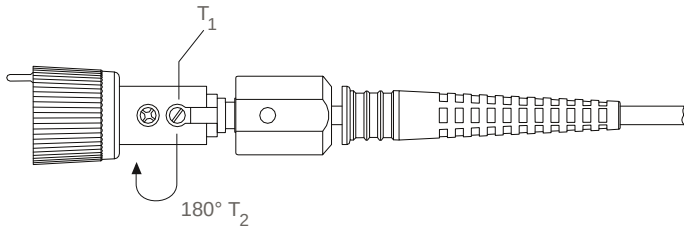
Rectangular waveform generator with a rise time faster than 700 ps, 50 Ω feed through and probe BNC adapter. If you do not have the appropriate equipment, we are pleased to help you. Simply send a message to our service department.

HF adjustment is performed by connecting the probe to the rectangular wave generator.



optimum

Adjust trimmers (T1 and T2) for optimum square wave response.



T1 and T2 are used for HF compensation.

MMCX Handling Information

When using MMCX connectors, insert the probe's MMCX plug straight into the mating socket until a "click" sound occurs to indicate a proper connection between the plug and socket.



When removing the probe's MMCX input from the MMCX socket, make sure the circuit under test is de-energized.

Then grasp the probe's MMCX connector and pull straight out, taking care not to wiggling the connector side-to-side to prevent excessive stresses on the socket and its connection to the DUT.

Scope of Delivery

A power supply and referring connection cable are required for the active probe models only. See chapter "Ordering Information" to review the selection.

1x MMCX Probe

1x Adaptor FF-SQ-MMCX MMCX to 2x 0.025" (0.635mm) socket, -40°C to +125°C

1x **P25-2** Pico Hook™ red, for use with FF-SQ-MMCX5

1x **P25-0** Pico Hook™ black, for use with FF-SQ-MMCX5

1x Instruction Manual

1x *Factory Calibration Certificate (only with active probe models MMCX-Axxxx)*



n/a

n/a



The accessories for this probe series have been safety tested.
Do not use any other accessories or power supplies than what is recommended.

Ordering Information

Step 1: Select Base Probe

MMCX-P0725	Passive probe with MMCX input, 700MHz, 42V peak, 25:1, 1.2m cable length, calibration certificate not included
MMCX-P0610	Passive probe with MMCX input, 600MHz, 42V peak, 10:1, 1.2m cable length, calibration certificate not included
MMCX-P0610-RO	Passive probe with MMCX input, 600MHz, 42V peak, 10:1, 1.2m cable length, calibration certificate not included, dividing factor read-out function
MMCX-A1025	Active probe with MMCX input, 1GHz, 42V peak, 25:1, 1.2m cable length, calibration certificate included, power supply and connection cable required and need to be ordered separately

Step 2: Select Additional Accessories

The specific frequency derating of each accessory is coming soon.

Note that any additional accessory degrades the probe's performance. Always observe the Maximum Input Voltage of the probe's input. Do not use any other accessories.

	Bandwidth (-3dB)	Picture
FF-SQ-MMCX5 5x MMCX to 2x 0.025" (0.635mm) socket, -40°C to +125°C (One adaptor included in scope of delivery)	TBD	
FF-HTSPAD-MMCX3 3x MMCX solder-in cable adapter HT, 50Ω RF micro coax to flex solder-in pad, -40°C to +155°C	TBD	
FF-HTS-MMCX2 2x MMCX solder-in cable adapter HT, MMCX socket with 50Ω RF micro coax cable and open end, -40°C to +155°C	TBD	
FF-UFL-MMCX2 2x MMCX cable adapter, MMCX socket with 50Ω RF micro coax cable to UFL socket, -40°C to +125°C	TBD	
FF-2XR-MMCX MMCX to 2x XR Mini-Hook	TBD	
972416100 2-pole test clip SMD for use with FF-SQ-MMCX5	TBD	
P25-2 Pico Hook™ red for use with FF-SQ-MMCX5 (included in scope of delivery)	TBD	
P25-0 Pico Hook™ black for use with FF-SQ-MMCX5 (included in scope of delivery)	TBD	
890-502-130 SMD test grabber, 1 Pair, green/yellow	> 600 MHz	
D010031 50Ω BNC feed-through for 1MΩ input oscilloscopes	> 500 MHz	

Step 3: Select Power Supply (Active Models only)

A wall plug power supply or multi-channel power supply with power supply cable are required for the models MMCX-A only, and available separately. The probe series has no functionality for remote control.

889-09V-PS5	Wall plug power supply PS-05, no remote-control capabilities
889-09V-PS2	PS-02 (2 channels, with USB interface for remote control) *
889-09V-PS2-L	PS-02-L (2 channels, with LAN and USB interface for remote control) *
889-09V-PS3	PS-03 (4 channels, with USB interface for remote control) *
889-09V-PS3-L	PS-03-L (4 channels, with LAN and USB interface for remote control) *
889-09V-AP01	AP-01 (battery pack, 1 channel, no remote-control capabilities) *
890-520-900	Power supply cable (0.5 m) **
890-520-915	Power supply cable (1.5 m) **

* One of the power supply cable selection marked with ** is required for use with PS02/PS03/AP01.



The power supply pin assignment is different from other power supplies. Use only original PMK power supplies with PMK probes.

Observe Connector Pin-Out
for PMK power supply cables



Step 4: Select Accredited Calibration

on request

ISO 17025 (re-)calibration



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