

8-channel bridge measurement amplifier for multi-channel strain gauge applications

The DCB2-8 is an DC bridge amplifier. With 8 differential analog inputs, it allows the measurement of:

- Voltage and current (20 mA)
- Strain gauges, bridge sensors
- IEPE/ICP sensors (with optional DSUB-15 plug)

For powering external sensors or bridge measurements, a software selectable sensor supply is integrated.

CRXT/DCB2-8

Highlights

- Medium signal bandwidths of up to 5 kHz
- Sensor supply with adjustable voltage supply
- ullet Software selectable quarter-bridge completion between 120 and 350 Ω
- Graphical configuration wizard to set strain gauge bridges
- Supports imc Plug & Measure (Transducer Electronic Data Sheets)

Typical applications

- Strain gauge measurements, load cells, pressure sensors and
- universal voltage measurements



CRXT/DCB2-8-L

imc CRONOS-XT - Maximizes flexible modularity

An imc CRONOS-XT system is composed of a base unit and one or more imc CRONOS-XT modules. The imc click mechanism offers a mechanically strong connection between several imc CRONOS-XT modules. At the same time, the "click" establishes an electrical connection to the system bus and the power supply.



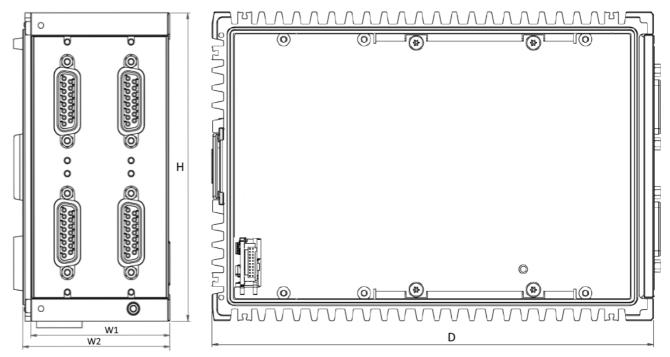
Overview of available variants

Order Code	Signal connections	power consumption	weight	housing	article no.
CRXT/DCB2-8	DSUB-15	10 W	1.1 kg	XT2	11100016
CRXT/DCBC2-8	DSUB-26-HD	10 W	0.8 kg	XT1	11100024
CRXT/DCB2-8-L	LEMO	10 W	1.1 kg	XT2	11100026
CRXT/DCB2-8-PROTECT	DSUB-15	10 W	1.1 kg	XT2	11100082

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Dimensions



Shown in standard operating orientation: housing type XT2

Housing type:	XT1	XT2	XT3	XT4	Remarks
W: Width in mm	30.5	61	91.5	116.9	W1: modular spacing (effective stacking width)
	34	64.5	95	120.4	W2: complete width
H: Height in mm		1			
D: Depth in mm		18			

Sealing, IP rating and environmental specs

A single CRXT slice cannot achieve an IP protection level at first because it is functionally open at the side. The specified specifications are always only valid for a complete in a controlled environment clicked (closed) CRXT system. Only after it has been combined with a CRXT base unit (plus power module), CRXT slices if applicable, and the final handles to form a CRXT system can an evaluation be made. The specification for shock, vibration and IP degree of protection applicable to the entire device is then derived from the weakest specification of the CRXT slices used in this combination. They assume that the individual CRXT slices are each mounted in conjunction with the additional stabilizing interconnect brackets (included in the standard accessories supplied).

The module variants with LEMO sockets are equipped with LEMO.1B connection sockets, which meet the IP65 degree of protection. This determines the upper limits for the sealing of the complete system equipped with it.

According to IEC 60529 the Ingress Protection (IP) rating refer to protection classes provided by a housing, the protection of the electrical parts within the housing shell. If all functionally accessible contacts of the sockets are also to be protected, the corresponding plugs must be connected to all sockets. In many cases, a protective cover can also be used alternatively on unused sockets.

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Included accessories

Sealing Caps and mounting accessories					
4x ACC/CAP-DSUB-15-IP67 Sealing Cap IP67 for the variant with DSUB-15 and DSUB-26-HD sockets 13500342					
2x CRXT/BRACKET-CON	interconnect brackets, intended for increased stability	11100040			

Miscellaneous

Certificates and calibration protocols: Detailed information on certificates supplied, the specific contents, underlying standards (e.g. ISO 9001 / ISO 17025) and available media (pdf etc.) can be found on our website, or you can contact us directly.

Getting started with imc CRONOS-XT (one copy per delivery)

Optional accessories

Optional accessories				
DSUB-15 plug (solder) IP67				
CRXT/DSUB15M-IP67	IP67 DSUB-15 plug male	11100073		
DSUB-15 plug (IP65)				
ACC/DSUBM-B2-IP65	IP65 DSUB-15 plug with screw terminals for 2-channel measurement of strain gauges, bridges and voltage			
ACC/DSUBM-TEDS-B2-IP65	sealed IP65 TEDS version	13500331		
ACC/DSUBM-I2-IP65	IP65 DSUB-15 plug with screw terminals for 2-channel current measurement of up to 50 mA (50 Ω shunt, scaling factor: 0.02A/V)	13500329		
ACC/DSUBM-TEDS-I2-IP65	sealed IP65 TEDS version	13500334		
DSUB-15 extension plug fo	r two IEPE transducers (IP65)			
CRXT/DSUB-ICP2-IP65	IP65 DSUB-15 plug with 2 PG for cable with diameter 2.5 to 3 mm ²	11100064		
DSUB-15 extension plugs for	or two IEPE transducers (no IP65 rating)			
ACC/DSUBM-ICP2I-BNC-S	ICP2I (isolated, 2x BNC), slow	13500293		
ACC/DSUBM-ICP2I-BNC-F	ICP2I (isolated, 2x BNC), fast			
DSUB-26-HD plug (no IP65	rating)			
ACC/DSUBM-HD-B4	DSUB-26 plug with screw terminals for 4-channel measurement of strain gauges, bridges and voltage	13500197		
ACC/DSUBM-HD-I4	DSUB-26 plug with screw terminals for 4-channel current measurement of up to 50 mA (50 Ω shunt, scaling factor: 0.02 A/V)			
Dust protection caps				
ACC/CAP-DSUB-15	dust protection cap for DSUB-15 and DSUB-26-HD	13500339		
ACC/CAP-LEMO.1B	dust protection cap for LEMO.1B sockets (and XT-Con)	13500233		
Miscellaneous				
ACC/DSUBM-LOCKING-BOLT-	extended length locking bolts (2 pcs) For the slices with DSUB-15 sockets, the sealed terminal plugs ACC/DSUBM-xxx-IP65 must be used - regardless of the sealing properties: The simple standard plug (ACC/DSUBM-xxx without suffix [-IP65]) have shorter locking screws and therefore cannot be fixed to CRXT slices.	13500327		
	Shorter locking screws and therefore cannot be fixed to CIXT silces.			

However, they can be retrofitted with the long bolts. With long bolts: only for CRXT, with short standard bolts: only for CRFX, CRC, C-SERIE etc.



Technical Specs - DCB2-8

Channels, measurement modes, terminal connection					
Parameter	Value	Remarks			
Inputs	8				
Measurement modes	voltage measurement				
DSUB-15	current measurement	shunt-plug ACC/DSUBM-I2(-IP65) or single end (internal shunt)			
	bridge sensor				
	strain gauges	full, half, quarter bridge			
	current-fed sensors (IEPE/ICP)	with DSUB-15 extension plug: e.g. ACC/DSUBM-ICP2I-BNC-S/-F, isolated			
Measurement modes	voltage measurement				
DSUB-26-HD	current measurement	ACC/DSUBM-HD-I4 shunt-plug or Single-ended (internal shunt)			
	bridge sensor				
	strain gauges	full, half, quarter bridge			
Measurement modes	voltage measurement				
LEMO	bridge sensor				
	strain gauges	full, half, quarter bridge			
	current measurement	Single-ended (internal shunt)			
Terminal connection					
DSUB-15	4x DSUB-15	2 channels per plug			
DSUB-26-HD	2x DSUB-26-HD	4 channels per plug			
LEMO	8x LEMO.1B.307	1 channel per plug			

Sampling rate, Bandwidth, Filter, TEDS					
Parameter	Value	Remarks			
Sampling rate	≤100 kHz	per channel, max system throughput of all module channels: 800 kHz including monitor channels			
Bandwidth	0 Hz to 5 kHz	-3 dB			
Filter (digital)					
cut-off frequency characteristic order	10 Hz to 5 kHz	Butterworth, Bessel (digital) low pass or high pass filter 8th order band pass, LP 4th and HP 4th order Anti-aliasing filter: Cauer 8.order with f _{cutoff} = 0.4 f _s			
Resolution	16 Bit 24 Bit	output format is selectable for each channel individually: a) 16 Bit Integer b) 32 Bit Float (24 Bit Mantissa)			
TEDS only with DSUB-15	conforming IEEE 1451.4 Class II MMI	esp. with ACC/DSUBM-TEDS-xx (DS2433) supports also: DS2431 (typ. IEPE/ICP sensor)			
Characteristic curve linearization	user defined (max. 1023 supporting points)				

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General					
Parameter	Value typ.	min. / max.	Remarks		
Overvoltage protection		±40 V	permanent		
Input coupling	Г	DC			
Input configuration	differ	ential			
Input impedance	20 ΜΩ	±1%			
Auxiliary supply			for IEPE/ICP expansion plug		
voltage available current internal resistance	+5 V 0.26 A 1.0 Ω	±5% 0.2 A <1.2 Ω	independent of integrated sensor supply, short-circuit protected power per DSUB-plug		

Voltage measurement	Voltage measurement						
Parameter	Value typ.	min. / max.	Remarks				
Input range	±10 V, ±5 V, ±2.5	5 V, ±1 V ±5 mV					
Gain error	0.02%	0.05%	of the measured value, at 25°C				
Gain drift	(10 ppm/K)·ΔT _a	(30 ppm/K)·∆T _a	$\Delta T_a = T_a - 25^{\circ}C $; with $T_a = $ ambient temperature				
Offset error	0.02%	≤0.05% ≤0.06% ≤0.15%	of the input range at 25°C range >±50 mV range ≤±50 mV range ≤±10 mV				
Offset drift	$(\pm 0.1 \mu \text{V/K}) \cdot \Delta \text{T}_{\text{a}} $ $(\pm 1.1 \mu \text{V/K}) \cdot \Delta \text{T}_{\text{a}}$ r_{a}		range $\pm 10 \text{ V}$ to $\pm 0.25 \text{ V}$ range $\leq \pm 0.1 \text{ V}$ $\Delta T_a = T_a - 25^{\circ}\text{C} $; with $T_a = \text{ambient temperature}$				
Nonlinearity	10 ppm	50 ppm					
CMRR (common mode rejection ratio)	110 dB 138 dB	>90 dB >132 dB	DC and f≤60 Hz range ±10 V to ±50 mV range ±25 mV to ±5 mV				
Noise (RTI)	0.6 μV _{RMS} 0.14 μV _{RMS}	1.0 μV _{RMS} 0.26 μV _{RMS}	bandwidth 0.1 Hz to 1 kHz bandwidth 0.1 Hz to 10 Hz				

Current measurement with shunt plug						
Parameter	Value typ.	min. / max	Remarks			
Input range		, ±10 mA, ±5 mA, , ±1 mA				
Shunt impedance	50	Ω	external plug ACC/DSUBM-I2			
Over load protection		±60 mA	permanent			
Input configuration	differ	rential				
Gain error	0.02%	0.06% 0.1%	of reading, at 25°C plus error of 50 Ω shunt			
Gain drift	(15 ppm/K)·ΔT _a	(55 ppm/K)·∆T _a	$\Delta T_a = T_a - 25$ °C ; with $T_a =$ ambient temperature			
Offset error	0.02%	0.05%	of range, at 25°C			
Noise (current)	0.6 nA _{RMS} 0.15 nA _{RMS}	10 nA _{RMS} 0.25 nA _{RMS}	bandwidth 0.1 Hz to 1 kHz bandwidth 0.1 Hz to 10 Hz			

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Current measurement with internal shunt						
Parameter	Value typ. min. / max R		Remarks			
Input range	±50 mA, ±20 mA, ±10 mA, ±5 mA, ±2 mA, ±1 mA					
Shunt impedance	12	0 Ω	internal			
Over load protection		±60 mA	permanent			
Input configuration	Single	-ended	internal current backflow to -VB			
Gain error	0.02%	0.06%	of reading, at 25°C			
Gain drift	(15 ppm/K)·ΔT _a	(55 ppm/K)·∆T _a	$\Delta T_a = T_a - 25$ °C ; with $T_a =$ ambient temperature			
Offset error	0.02%	0.05%	of range, at 25°C			
Noise (current)	0.6 nA _{RMS} 0.15 nA _{RMS}	10 nA _{RMS} 0.25 nA _{RMS}	bandwidth 0.1 Hz to 1 kHz bandwidth 0.1 Hz to 10 Hz			

Bridge measurement						
Parameter	Value typ. min. / max.		Remarks			
Mode	D	C				
Measurement modes	full-, half-, qı	uarter bridge	bridge supply ≤5 V with quarter bridge			
Input ranges	1	/, ±500 mV/V, ±100 mV/V				
bridge supply: 10 V	±0.	5 mV/V				
bridge supply: 5 V	±1	. mV/V				
bridge supply: 2.5 V	±2	mV/V	(as an option)			
bridge supply: 1 V	±5	mV/V	(as an option)			
Bridge excitation voltage	10 V 5 V	±0.5% ±0.5%	The actual value will be dynamically captured and compensated for in bridge mode.			
(as an option)	(2.5 V and 1 V)					
Min. bridge impedance	1	H full bridge I half bridge				
Max. bridge impedance	5	kΩ				
Internal quarter bridge completion	120 Ω	, 350 Ω	internal, switchable per software			
Input impedance	20 ΜΩ	±1%	differential, full bridge			
Gain error	0.02%	0.05%	of reading			
Offset error	0.01%	0.02%	of input range after automatic bridge balancing			
automatic shunt calibration	0.5 mV/V	±0.2%	for 120 Ω and 350 Ω			
Cable resistance for bridges	<6	5 Ω	10 V excitation 120 Ω			
(without return line)	<1	2 Ω	5 V excitation 120 Ω			

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Sensor supply						
Parameter	Value typ	yp. max.		max.	Remarks	
Configuration options	5 sel	5 selectable settings		ngs	The sensor supply module always has 5 selectable voltage settings. default selection: +5 V to +24 V	
Output voltage	Voltage (+1 V) (+2.5 V) +5.0 V +10 V +12 V +15 V +24 V (±15 V)	Current Power 580 mA 0.6 W 580 mA 1.5 W 580 mA 2.9 W 300 mA 3.0 W 250 mA 3.0 W 200 mA 3.0 W 120 mA 2.9 W 190 mA 3.0 W		0.6 W 1.5 W 2.9 W 3.0 W 3.0 W 3.0 W 2.9 W	set jointly for all eight channels upon request, also 2.5 V and 1 V settings are available, for example by replacing the +12 V of +15 V setting. An arbitrary set of 5 setting can chosen preferred selections: +24 V, +12 V, +10 V, +5.0 V, +2.5 V +15 V, +10 V, +5.0 V, +2.5 V, +1 V upon request, special order: +15 V can be replaced by ±15 V. This eliminates the internal current- and quarter bridge measurement.	
Short-circuit protection	unli	mited	durati	on	to output voltage reference ground: "-VB"	
Accuracy of output voltage	<0.25 %	<0.25 % 0.5 % 0.9 % 1.5 %		0.9 %	at terminals, no load at 25 °C over entire temperature range plus with optional bipolar output voltage	
Compensation of cable resistances	SENS	3-line control: SENSE line as refeed (-VB: supply ground)			calculated compensation with bridges	
Max. capacitive load		>4000 >1000 >300	0 μF		2.5 V to 10 V 12 V, 15 V 24 V	