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FEATURES

4-Pole Lowpass Butterworth, Bessel and Chebyscheff Models featuring:

- Digitally Programmable Corner Frequency via CMOS Interface Logic
- Internally Latched Control Lines to Store Frequency Selection Data
- Most Widely Used Transfer Characteristics for Broadest Application Scope
- Plug-in Ready-to-Use Fully Finished Filter Component

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The **844 Series** are digitally-programmable lowpass active filters that are tunable over a 256:1 frequency range. These units contain 8-bit CMOS clocked "D" latches which can be digitally configured to operate in any of three modes:

- a) Transfer frequency control input data into the latches on the STROBE (or CLOCK) rising edge.
- b) As above, but on the STROBE falling edge.
- c) Continuously follow the frequency tuning input data, in a non-latching transparent mode.

Twenty models offer a choice of 4-pole Butterworth, Bessel and Chebyscheff

844 SERIES
**DIGITALLY PROGRAMMABLE
LOWPASS ACTIVE FILTERS**
APPLICATIONS

- Programmable Automatic Test Equipment (A.T.E.) Systems
- Data Acquisition Systems
- Anti-Alias Prefiltering
- Real and Compressed Time Data Analysis
- Production Test Systems
- Industrial Process Control

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transfer characteristics. Each is available with any single factory-set tuning range listed below:

- 1 Versions: 0.1Hz to 25.6Hz
- 2 Versions: 1.0Hz to 256Hz
- 3 Versions: 10Hz to 2560Hz
- 4 Versions: 100Hz to 25.6kHz
- 5 Versions: 200Hz to 51.2kHz

All **844 Series** models are fully finished filters which require no external components or adjustments, and operate from non-critical ± 12 to $\pm 18V$ power supplies. A 20K Ω input impedance and a 10 Ω (max.) output impedance make these compact (2.0"W x 4.0"L footprint, by 0.4"H or 0.6"H) encapsulated plug-in modules convenient and easy to use.

CONDENSED FREQUENCY SELECTION TABLE

MSB	---	---	---	---	---	---	LSB	< – Bit Weight
2 ⁷	2 ⁶	2 ⁵	2 ⁴	2 ³	2 ²	2 ¹	2 ⁰	Corner Frequency (fc)
D ₇	D ₆	D ₅	D ₄	D ₃	D ₂	D ₁	D ₀	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	f _{max} /256
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	f _{max} /64
0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	f _{max} /16
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	f _{max} /2
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	f _{max}

Five of the possible 256 frequency selection codes.

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ANALOG SPECIFICATIONS
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ANALOG SPECIFICATIONS (Typical @ 25°C & ±15Vdc unless otherwise noted)
RESPONSE CHARACTERISTICS

DC Gain (Non-inverting)	See Table A.
Gain Tolerance	
@ DC (Zero Frequency)	See Table A.
@ -3dB Corner Freq. f_c	See Table A.
@ -70dB Frequency f_{70dB}	See Table A.
Tuning Characteristics	
Programming Range	$F_{max}/256$ to F_{max}
Step Size (Resolution)	$F_{max}/256$
Stability	±0.01%/°C

ATTENUATION CHARACTERISTICS

Gain vs. Frequency Plot	See Figures 1, 2, 3, 4
Gain, Phase and Delay Data	See Tables 1, 2, 3, 4

ANALOG INPUT CHARACTERISTICS

Impedance	20K Ω
Voltage Range	±10V
Maximum Safe Voltage	±Vs

ANALOG OUTPUT CHARACTERISTICS

Resistance	10 Ω max.
Linear Operating Range	±10V
Maximum Current	±2mA
Offset Voltage	2mV typ., 20mV max.
Offset vs. Temperature	See discussion, next page.
Noise	50 μ V RMS

POWER SUPPLY (±Vs)

Rated Voltage	±15Vdc
Operating Range	±12 to ±18Vdc
Maximum Safe Voltage	±18Vdc
Quiescent Current	20mA max.

TEMPERATURE

Operating	0°C to +70°C
Storage	-25°C to +85°C

- Notes:**
1. Input and output signal voltages are referenced to supply common.
 2. Output is short circuit protected to common. DO NOT CONNECT TO ±Vs.
 3. Measured in a 5Hz to 50kHz bandwidth.

Table A. Deviations from theoretical responses

Characteristic Response	At DC or Zero Frequency -A-	At f_c , the -3dB Corner Frequency -B-	At f_{70dB} , Frequency for -70dB Gain -C-
Butterworth	±0.05dB	±0.2dB	±2dB
Bessel	±0.05dB	±0.3dB	±3dB
0.2dB Chebycheff	±0.05dB	±0.6dB	±3dB
0.5dB Chebycheff	±0.05dB	±0.8dB	±3dB

The above table defines lowpass responses having a gain at DC of 0dB ± A (the value in column A), a gain of -3dB ± B at corner frequency f_c , and a gain of -70dB ± C at f_{70dB} , the frequency for a theoretical gain of -70dB.

In general, filters programmed at frequencies below 20kHz fall well within the above deviation boundaries. These error bounds on the filter transfer characteristics are approached only as the programmed frequencies reach 20kHz and above.


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**DC OFFSET, GROUNDING AND
CONTROL CHARACTERISTICS**

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DC OFFSET vs. TEMPERATURE

The DC offset voltage of **844 Series** filters originates at two internal sources that cause it to vary with temperature and selected frequency. Slight mismatches between operational amplifier (op amp) semiconductor junctions create the first source of DC offset. Switching element leakage currents flowing through switch-selected tuning resistors predominate as the second source of DC offset. Though small at 25°C, the switch leakage currents increase exponentially with absolute temperature to become significantly large at higher temperatures. This becomes a problem when the filter is tuned to low frequencies, which require high-value tuning resistors.

Figure A illustrates the worst case temperature behavior of the offset voltage; this improves with higher frequency codes. The maximum DC offset voltage will generally occur at the highest temperature and the lowest corner frequency (all "0" input code). This recommends the user to select the model with the LOWEST CORNER FREQUENCY possible.

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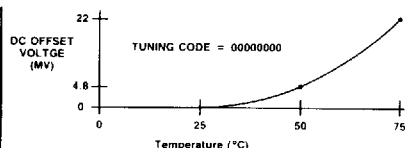


Figure A. The DC offset voltage drift varies with tuning code. Turning on the LSB would halve the maximum DC offset. See discussion.

USER NOTES

Grounding: To achieve specified precision, all analog and digital grounds are connected internal to the filter. Should this cause a problem, all digital inputs (C, P, and D₀-D₇) can be optically isolated.

Settling Time: When tuned to a different frequency, a filter requires sufficient transient settling time corresponding to several cycles of the new frequency. PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT use these filters in frequency scanning applications without considering settling time.

DATA CONTROL CHARACTERISTICS

Data Control Lines

Functions

Latch Strobe (C)

Transition Polarity (P)

Data Control Modes

Mode 1

P = 0; C = 0

frequency follows input codes

P = 0; C = 0 -> 1

frequency latched on rising edge

Mode 2

P = 1; C = 1

frequency follows input codes

P = 1; C = 1 -> 0

frequency latched on falling edge

INPUT DATA LEVELS

(CMOS Logic)

Input Voltage

(V_s = 15V)

Min.

Max. Acceptable

Low Level In

0 Volts

4 Volts

High Level In

11 Volts

15 Volts

Input Current

Typ.

Max.

High Level In

-10⁻⁵ μA

-1 μA

Low Level In

+10⁻⁵ μA

+1 μA

Input Capacitance

5pF

7.5pf

Latch Response

Data Set Up Time¹

25 ns

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Data Hold Time²

50 ns

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Strobe

Min Pulse Width

80 ns

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Notes: 1. The time data must be present before occurrence of strobe edge.
2. The time data must be present after occurrence of strobe edge.

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DIGITAL TUNING CHARACTERISTICS

The digital tuning interface circuits are two 4042 quad CMOS latches which accept the following CMOS-compatible inputs: eight tuning bits ($D_0 - D_7$), a latch strobe bit (C), and a transition polarity bit (P).

Filter tuning follows the tuning equation given below:

$$f_c = (f_{\max}/256) [1 + D_7 \cdot 2^7 + D_6 \cdot 2^6 + D_5 \cdot 2^5 + D_4 \cdot 2^4 + D_3 \cdot 2^3 + D_2 \cdot 2^2 + D_1 \cdot 2^1 + D_0 \cdot 2^0]$$

where $D_0 - D_7$ = Logic "0" or "1", and

$f_{\max}$ = maximum tunable frequency

f_c = corner frequency

Minimum tunable frequency = $f_{\max}/256$ ($D_0 \rightarrow D_7 = 0$)

Minimum frequency step (Resolution) = $f_{\max}/256$

INPUT DATA FORMAT

Frequency Select Bits

Positive Logic

Logic "1" = +Vs

Logic "0" = Gnd

Logic threshold typ. = 0.45Vs

Bit Weighting
(Binary-Coded)

D_0 = least significant bit (LSB)

D_7 = most significant bit (MSB)

Frequency Range

256:1, Binary Weighted

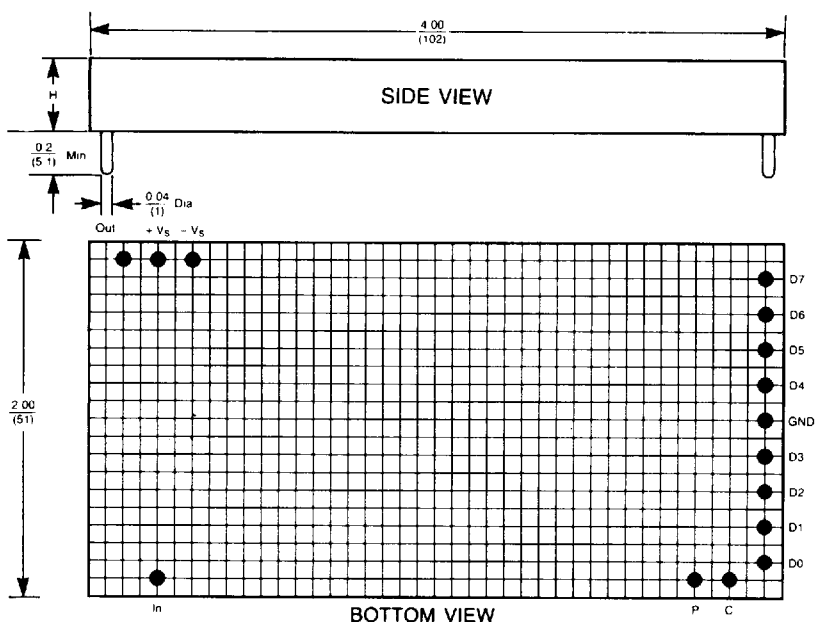
DIGITAL FREQUENCY SELECTION

Table 7. Nine of the 256 possible frequency selection codes

MSB	---	---	---	---	---	---	LSB	< - Bit Weight
2 ⁷	2 ⁶	2 ⁵	2 ⁴	2 ³	2 ²	2 ¹	2 ⁰	Corner Frequency (f_c)
D_7	D_6	D_5	D_4	D_3	D_2	D_1	D_0	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$f_{\max}/256$
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	$f_{\max}/128$
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	$f_{\max}/64$
0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	$f_{\max}/32$
0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	$f_{\max}/16$
0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	$f_{\max}/8$
0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	$f_{\max}/4$
0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	$f_{\max}/2$
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	$f_{\max}$


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PACKAGE AND PIN-OUT DATA**

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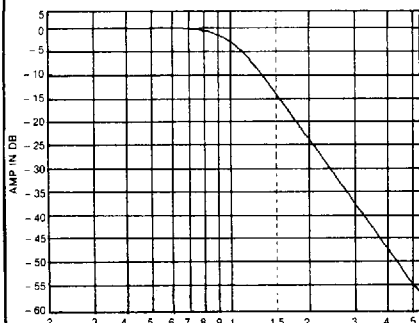
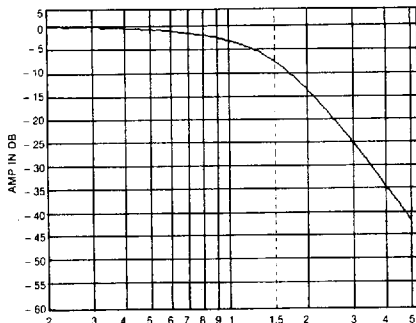
**PACKAGE AND PIN-OUT DATE
DIMENSIONS
IN INCHES (MM)
0.1 INCH GRID**

CASE DIMENSIONS. ALL 884 SERIES

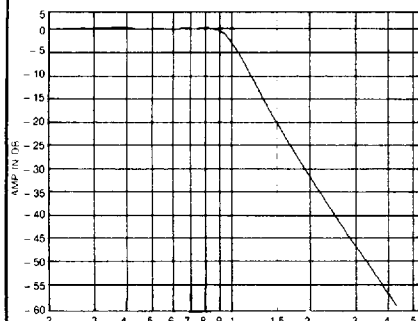
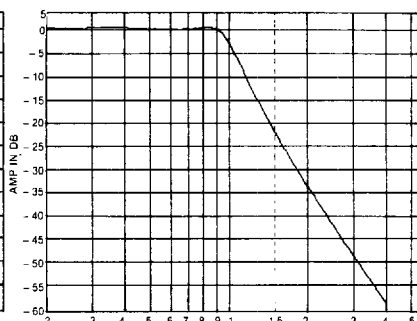
CASE	DIMENSIONS IN INCHES AND (MM)
M-1	2.0"W x 4.0"L x 0.4"H (51 x 102 x 10 mm)
M-2	2.0"W x 4.0"L x 0.6"H (51 x 102 x 15 mm)

TERMINAL KEY

In	Analog Input Signal	D ₀	Tuning Bit 0 (LSB)
Out	Analog Output Signal	D ₁	Tuning Bit 1
GND	Power and Signal Return	D ₂	Tuning Bit 2
"P"	Transition Polarity Bit	D ₃	Tuning Bit 3
"C"	Tuning Strobe Bit	D ₄	Tuning Bit 4
+ Vs	Supply Voltage, Positive	D ₅	Tuning Bit 5
- Vs	Supply Voltage, Negative	D ₆	Tuning Bit 6
		D ₇	Tuning Bit 7 (MSB)


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LOWPASS BUTTERWORTH
AND BESSEL RESPONSES**
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BUTTERWORTH RESPONSE CURVE..

BESSEL RESPONSE CURVE..

NORMALIZED FREQUENCY, f/f_c
**NORMALIZED THEORETICAL
DATA TABLES**
Table 1. 4-POLE BUTTERWORTH
Table 2. 4-POLE BESSEL

f/f_c	AMP (dB)	PHASE (deg)	DELAY (sec)	AMP (dB)	PHASE (deg)	DELAY (sec)
0.00	0.000	0.00	0.416	0.000	0.00	0.336
0.10	0.000	-15.0	0.418	-0.025	-12.1	0.336
0.20	0.000	-30.1	0.432	-0.111	-24.2	0.336
0.30	0.000	-45.5	0.433	-0.251	-36.3	0.336
0.40	-0.003	-61.4	0.449	-0.448	-48.4	0.336
0.50	-0.017	-78.0	0.474	-0.705	-60.6	0.336
0.60	-0.072	-95.5	0.511	-1.02	-72.7	0.336
0.70	-0.243	-115	0.558	-1.41	-84.8	0.336
0.80	-0.674	-136	0.604	-1.86	-96.8	0.335
0.90	-1.55	-158	0.622	-2.40	-109	0.333
1.00	-3.01	-180	0.588	-3.01	-121	0.330
1.20	-7.24	-217	0.427	-4.51	-144	0.318
1.50	-14.3	-252	0.241	-7.42	-177	0.280
1.70	-18.5	-266	0.175	-9.71	-196	0.246
2.00	-24.1	-282	0.119	-13.4	-219	0.194
2.50	-31.8	-299	0.072	-19.5	-248	0.130
3.00	-38.2	-309	0.049	-25.1	-267	0.089
4.00	-48.2	-322	0.027	-34.4	-291	0.049
5.00	-55.9	-330	0.017	-41.9	-305	0.031
6.00	-62.3	-355	0.012	-48.1	-315	0.021
7.00	-67.6	-339	0.009	-53.4	-321	0.016
8.00	-72.2	-341	0.006	-58.0	-326	0.012
9.00	-76.3	-343	0.005	-62.0	-330	0.009
10.0	-80.0	-345	0.004	-65.7	-333	0.008


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LOWPASS 0.2 & 0.5dB
CHEBYCHEFF RESPONSES**
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0.2dB RESPONSE CURVE..

0.5dB RESPONSE CURVE..

NORMALIZED FREQUENCY, f/f_c
**NORMALIZED THEORETICAL
DATA TABLES**
Table 3. 0.2dB CHEBYCHEFF
Table 4. 0.5dB CHEBYCHEFF

f/f_c	AMP (dB)	PHASE (deg)	DELAY (sec)	AMP (dB)	PHASE (deg)	DELAY (sec)
0.00	0.000	0.00	0.478	0.000	0.00	0.476
0.10	-0.040	-17.3	0.487	-0.090	-17.3	0.492
0.20	-0.130	-35.2	0.509	-0.300	-35.7	0.533
0.30	-0.200	-54.0	0.533	-0.480	-55.7	0.577
0.40	-0.170	-73.4	0.547	-0.460	-76.9	0.596
0.50	-0.070	-93.2	0.533	-0.250	-98.2	0.583
0.60	-0.000	-114	0.575	-0.030	-119	0.578
0.70	-0.070	-135	0.654	-0.070	-141	0.647
0.80	-0.200	-162	0.833	-0.430	-177	0.881
0.90	-0.440	-196	1.02	-0.060	-205	1.18
1.00	-3.01	-232	0.873	-3.01	-245	0.946
1.20	-10.9	-274	0.385	-12.0	-288	0.345
1.50	-20.7	-300	0.158	-22.4	-311	0.134
1.70	-25.8	-310	0.107	-27.6	-318	0.089
2.00	-32.2	-319	0.067	-34.1	-326	0.057
2.50	-40.6	-328	0.039	-43.6	-334	0.033
3.00	-47.3	-334	0.026	-49.3	-339	0.021
4.00	-57.6	-341	0.014	-59.7	-344	0.011
5.00	-65.5	-345	0.009	-67.6	-347	0.007
6.00	-71.9	-347	0.006	-74.0	-350	0.005
7.00	-77.3	-349	0.004	-79.4	-351	0.004
8.00	-81.9	-351	0.003	-84.1	-352	0.003
9.00	-86.1	-352	0.003	-88.2	-353	0.002
10.0	-89.8	-352	0.002	-91.9	-354	0.002

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ORDERING INFORMATION**
FREQUENCY DEVICES INC
AVAILABLE 840 MODELS
Butterworth and Bessel Versions

BUTTERWORTH	BESSEL	NO. POLES	TUNING (HZ)		CASE
			RANGE	Min. STEP	
844P8B-1	844P8L-1	4	0.1 to 25.6	0.1	M-1
844P8B-2	844P8L-2	4	1.0 to 256	1.0	M-2
844P8B-3	844P8L-3	4	10 to 2560	10	M-2
844P8B-4	844P8L-4	4	100 to 25.6k	100	M-2
844P8B-5	844P8L-5	4	200 to 51.2k	200	M-2

 Figure 1
and Table 1

 Figure 2
and Table 2

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Chebycheff Versions

PASSBAND RIPPLE		NO. POLES	TUNING (Hz)		CASE
0.2dB	0.5dB		RANGE	MIN. STEP	
844P8YA2W-1	844P8YA5W-1	4	0.1 to 25.6	0.1	M-1
844P8YA2W-2	844P8YA5W-2	4	1.0 to 256	1.0	M-2
844P8YA2W-3	844P8YA5W-3	4	10 to 2560	10	M-2
844P8YA2W-4	844P8YA5W-4	4	100 to 25.6k	100	M-2
844P8YA2W-5	844P8YA5W-5	4	200 to 51.2k	200	M-2

 Figure 3
and Table 3

 Figure 4
and Table 4

 ← **TRANSFER CHARACTERISTICS**
HOW TO ORDER

The above tables list the twenty **844 Series** models and the sets of transfer characteristics, frequency range and tuning resolution that distinguish between models. Selection is the simple matter of choosing the filter model with the frequency response, range and resolution required by the application. NOTE: SELECT THE LOWEST FREQUENCY MODEL THAT SPANS THE FREQUENCY RANGE OF INTEREST FOR LOWEST DC OFFSET AND BEST FILTER PERFORMANCE.

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