EMM8 Electret Measurement Microphone

iSEMcon EMM8 omnidirectional measurement microphone



User Guide



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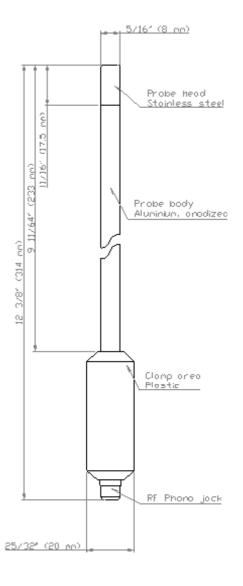
Introduction

General Description

The iSEMcon EMM8 is a accurate microphone. It utilizes a small, accurate omni directional capsule, in a carefully crafted, rugged aluminium/steel body. Due to its small diameter (approx. 5/16") and long size (12.4") it has less influence on the sound field. Operating the mic is very simple. Use a good quality, shielded RF phono cable with plugs on both sides and connect the IBFEMM8 to an microphone preamp such as the IBFMP21 which provides bias power with at least 0.5 mA of current available. Adjust the preamp gain to the level required for testing.

Features

audio frequency range
low noise
low power consumption
less influence on the soundfield for accurate
measurements
rugged anodized aluminium housing with stainless
steel front end
no shock mount needed
calibration data on disc
fits to standard mic clamps
accessories: mic clamp included



Operational Notes

Why omni

Our goal was to develop an accurate mic at low cost applicable for room acoustic and speaker measurements. It should be as precise as necessary with less coloration on acoustic signals. Therefore we have designed what you see or rather hold in your hands.

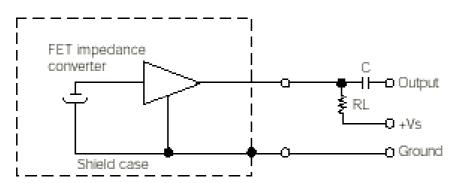
A microphone for medium SPL with no cage but a grill in front of the diaphragm. This avoids heavily sound colorations contributed by resonances and reflections in such cages.

The electret microphone

An electret MIC is the best value for money omnidirectional microphone you can buy. Those microphones are used in many applications where small and inexspensive

microphones with good performance characteristics are used.

It is a modification of the classic condensor microphone. Whereas a condensor mic needs an applied phantom power, the electret condensor has a build in charge. The bias voltage of arround 110V is needed to supply the buildin FET buffer and should be applied using a 110kOhm resistor. Normally an electret capsule is a 2 terminal device



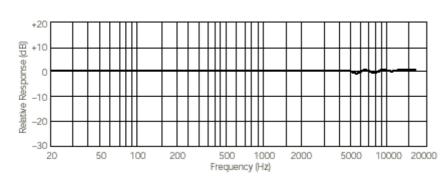
that works like a current source when biased. The bias voltage should be kept clean, because the noise in this will get to the microphone output.

Appendices

Specifications



20 20.000 Hz + 2dB



polar pattern (directivity)

omnidirectional

Sensitivity

6mV / Pa / 1kHz + 4dB @bias 2.5V , 2.2 kOhm

Power requirements

1.5 10V / approx. 0.5 mA

peak acoustic input

> 120 dB SPL

output connector

RF phono jack

Noise

S/N ratio >58 dB

dimensions

probe dia: approx. 5/16", 8 mm

length: 12 3/8", 315 mm

max dia: 25/32", 20 mm

weight 1 1/2 oz, 42 grams (without clamp)

calibration individually calibrated. The calibration

microphone and preamp for this is the Bruel & Kjaer condensor B&K 4133 (1/2" freefield)

and B&K 2639 preamp.

Accessories

microphone clamp – please order separately