# MICROWAVE CORPORATION

# WIDEBAND VCO WITH BUFFER AMPLIFIER MODULE, 38.4 - 43.2 GHz



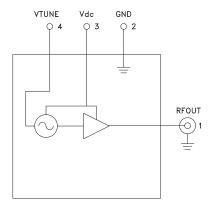


### **Typical Applications**

The HMC-C073 VCO Module is ideal for:

- OC-768 Fiber Optic Systems
- Test and Measurement Equipment
- Lab Instrumentation
- Industrial/Medical Equipment
- Millimeterwave Subsystems

### **Functional Diagram**



#### **Features**

Wideband Tuning Frequency: 38.4 - 43.2 GHz

High Output Power: +13 dBm High Output Voltage: 3.5V pp

Low Phase Noise: -98 dBc/Hz @ 100 kHz Offset

Low Jitter: 37 fs

Single Positive Supply: +5V @ 350 mA

Operating Temperature: -55°C to + 85°C

Ultra-Small Hermetic Module

Field Replaceable 2.4mm Connector

#### **General Description**

The HMC-C073 is a high performance VCO that operates over a 38.4 to 43.2 GHz band. An internal output buffer provides +13 dBm of output power and provides excellent frequency pulling performance. Phase noise is excellent at -98 dBc/Hz at 100 kHz offset and the unit provides exceptionally low jitter of 37 fs (calculated). The Vtune port accepts an analog tuning voltage from +2 to +13V. This robust VCO is housed in a very small hermetic module measuring 0.7" x 0.99" x 0.23". The module is supplied with a 2.4mm connector, which can be replaced by a GPO connector.

# Electrical Specifications, $T_A = +25^{\circ}$ C, Vdc = +5V

Parameter	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Units
Frequency Range	38.4 - 43.2			GHz
Power Output	10	13		dBm
SSB Phase Noise @ 10 kHz Offset		-74		dBc/Hz
SSB Phase Noise @ 100 kHz Offset		-98		dBc/Hz
Jitter (50 kHz to 80 MHz) (Calculated)		37		fs
Tune Voltage (Vtune)	2		13	V
Sub Harmonic (fo/4)		-40		dBc
Sub Harmonic (fo/2)		-30		dBc
Frequency Pushing		40		MHz/V
Frequency Pulling (into 2:0:1 Load)		5		kHz pp
Output Return Loss		17		dB
Voltage Supply (Vdc)	4.5	5	5.5	V
Supply Current		350	400	mA

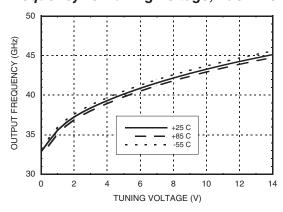
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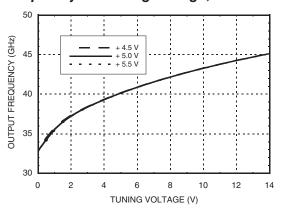


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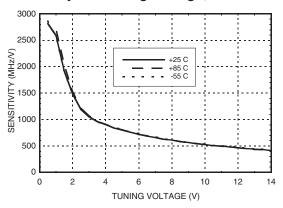
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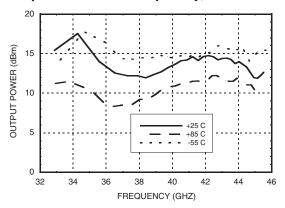
Frequency vs. Tuning Voltage,  $T = +25^{\circ}C$ 



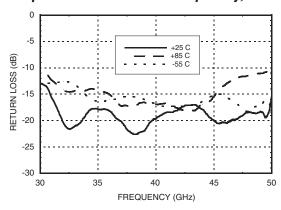
Sensitivity vs. Tuning Voltage, Vdc = +5V



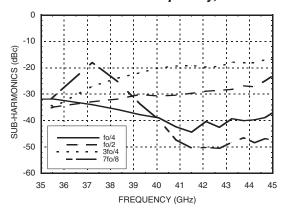
Output Power vs. Frequency, Vdc = +5V



Output Return Loss vs. Frequency, Vdc = +5V



Sub-Harmonics vs. Frequency, Vdc = +5V







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### **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Vdc	+5.5V	
Vtune	+15V	
Storage Temperature	-65 to +150 °C	
Operating Temperature	-55 to +85 °C	
Max Junction Temperature	150 °C	
Thermal Resistance	29 °C/W	

# **Pin Descriptions**

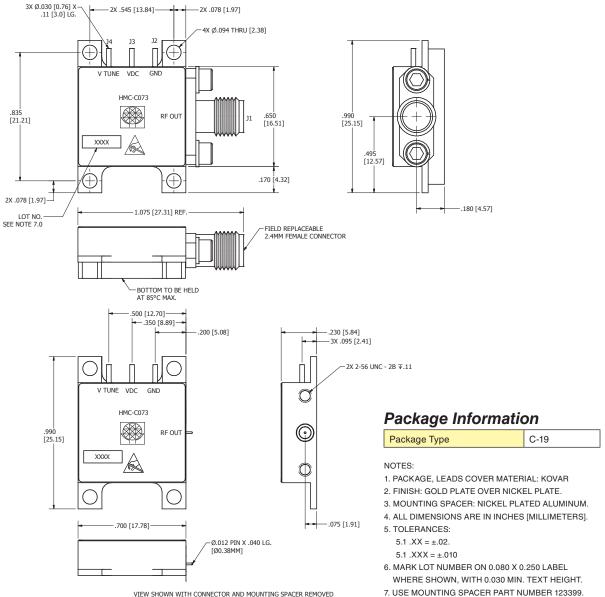
Pin Number	Function	Description	Interface Schematic	
1	RFOUT	RF output (AC coupled) uses a female 2.4mm connector.	RFOUT O	
2	GND	Must be connected to power supply ground.	→ GND —	
3	Vdc	Supply Voltage Vdc = +4.5V to 5.5V	Vdc ○ ⊥ ⊥ =	
4	VTUNE	2 to +13V	3nH Vtune ○	





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### **Outline Drawing**



VIEW SHOWN WITH CONNECTOR AND MOUNTING SPACER REMOVED

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