Data Sheet

Analog Oscilloscopes With Probes

2100C Series



B&K Precision's 212x Series are dual trace oscilloscopes that offers high performance at a low price. Most competitor's entry level oscilloscopes have a 20 MHz bandwidth, while B&K Precision's 212x Series have a bandwidth of 30-60 MHz.

These oscilloscopes are built by and backed by B&K Precision, a company that has been selling reliable, durable, value priced test instruments for over 60 years.

Common Features & Benefits

- Dual or single trace operation
- 5 mV/div sensitivity
- Calibrated 23-step time base with X10 magnifier
- Video sync trigger
- Alternate/chop sweep
- Sum and difference capability

Additional Features

- Built-in component tester (2125C & 2160C)
- Built-in 50 MHz frequency counter (2121C only)
- Delayed time base
- Main, Mix, Delay, X-Y sweep modes

Specifications	2120C	2121C	2125C	2160C
Bandwidth	30 MHz	30 MHz	30 MHz	60 MHz
Sweep Time	0.1 µs/div to 2 s/div			20 ns/div to 5 s/div
Component Tester	-	-	V	√
Counter	-	V	-	-



Specifications	2120C & 2121C	
VERTICAL AMPLIFIERS (C	CH 1 and CH 2)	
Sensitivity	5 mV/div to 5 V/div, 1 mV/div to 1 V/div at X5	
Attenuator	10 steps in 1-2-5 sequence. Vernier control provides full adjustment between steps	
Accuracy	±3%, ±5% at X5	
Input Impedance	1 MΩ ±2%	
Input Capacitance	25 pF ±10 pF	
Frequency Response	5 mV to 5 V/div: DC to 30 MHz (-3dB). X5: DC to 10 MHz (-3dB)	
Rise Time	12 ns (Overshoot ≤5%)	
Operating Modes	CH 1: CH 1, single trace	
CH 2	CH 2, single trace	
ALT	dual trace, alternating	
CHOP	dual trace, chopped	
ADD	algebraic sum of CH 1 + CH 2	
Polarity Reversal Max. Input Voltage	CH 2 only 400 V (DC + AC peak)	
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SWEEP SYSTEM	0.1//: 1.2.5	
Sweep Speed	0.1 µs/div to 2 s/div in 1-2-5 sequence, 23 steps, Vernier control provides fully adjustable sweep time between steps.	
Accuracy	±3%	
Sweep Magnification	10x ±10%	
TRIGGERING	AUTO (F) NORM TO (TO)	
Triggering Modes	AUTO (free run) or NORM, TV-V, TV-H	
Trigger Source	CH 1, CH 2, ALT, EXT, LINE 300 V (DC + AC peak)	
Max External Trigger Voltage	AC 30 Hz to 30 MHz	
Trigger Coupling TV H	Used for triggering from horizontal sync pulses	
TV V	Used for triggering from vertical sync pulses	
TRIGGER SENSITIVITY	used for triggering from vertical syne pulses	
Auto	Bandwidth:100 Hz-30 MHz, Internal: 1.5 div, External: ≥0.5Vp-p	
Norm	Bandwidth: DC to 30 MHz, Internal: 1.5 div, External: ≥0.5Vp-p	
TV V	Bandwidth: 20 Hz-1 kHz, Internal: 1.0 div, External: ≥0.5Vp-p	
TV H	Bandwidth: 1 kHz-100 kHz, Internal: 1.0 div, External: ≥0.5Vp-p	
	(Input through channel 1 input)	
X-Y Mode	Switch selectable using X-Y switch. CH 1: X axis, CH 2: Y axis	
Sensitivity	Same as vertical channel 2	
Input Impedance	Same as vertical channel 2	
Frequency Response	DC to 1 MHz typical (-3 dB)	
X-Y Phase Difference	Approximately 3° at 50 kHz	
Maximum Input Voltage	Same as vertical channel 2	
CRT		
Туре	Rectangular with internal graticule	
Display Area	8 x 10 div (1 div = 1 cm)	
Accelerating Voltage	2 kV	
Phosphor	P31	
Trace Rotation	Electrical, front panel adjustable	
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Specifications	2125C & 2160C		
VERTICAL AMPLIFIER	RS (CH 1 and CH 2)		
Sensitivity	5 mV/div to 5 V/div, 1 mV/div to 1 V/div at X5		
Attonuator	10 steps in 1-2-5 sequence. Vernier control provides		
Attenuator	full adjustment between steps		
Accuracy	±3%, ±5% at X5		
Input Impedance	Ι ΜΩ +2%		
Input Capacitance	25 pF ±10 pF		
Frequency Response	5 mV to 5 V/div: DC to 30 MHz (-3dB), X5: DC to 10 MHz (-3dB) DC to 60 MHz (-3 dB). Model 2160C X5 MAG: DC to 15 MHz (-3 dB). Model 2160C		
Rise Time	12ns (Overshoot ≤5%)		
Operating Modes	CH 1: CH 1, single trace		
CH 2	CH 2, single trace		
ALT	dual trace, alternating		
CHOP	dual trace, chopped		
ADD	algebraic sum of CH 1 + CH 2		
Polarity Reversal	CH 2 only		
Max. Input Voltage SWEEP SYSTEM	400 V (DC to AC peak)		
	Main, mix (both main sweep and delay sweep displayed),		
Operating Modes	or Delay (only delay sweep displayed), X-Y 0.1 \(\mu_S\)/div to 2.0 \(s\)/div in 1-2-5 sequence,		
Main Sweep Speed	23 steps Vernier control provides fully adjustable sweep time between steps		
Accuracy	±3%		
Sweep Magnification	10X ±5%		
Delayed Sweep Speed	0.1 ms/div to 0.1s/div in 1-2-5 sequence, 23 steps		
Holdoff	Continuously variable for Main sweep up to 10 times normal		
Delay Time Position	Continuously variable to control percentage of display that is devoted to main and delay sweep		
TRIGGERING			
Triggering Modes	AUTO (free run) or NORM, TV-V, TV-H		
Trigger Source	CH I, CH 2, ALT, EXT, LINE		
Trigger Voltage	300 V (DC + AC peak)		
Trigger Coupling	AC 30 Hz to 30 MHz, TV H used for triggering from horizontal sync pulses,		
TRIGGER SENSITIVIT	TV V Used for triggering from vertical sync pulses		
Auto	Bandwidth: 100Hz - 40MHz, Internal: 1.5 div, External: ≥0.5Vp-p		
Norm	Bandwidth: 100Hz - 40MHz, Internal: 1.5 div. External: ≥0.5Vp-p		
TV-V	Bandwidth: DC -1kHz, Internal: 1.0 div, External: ≥0.5Vp-p		
TV-H	1 kHz - 100kHz, Internal: 1.0 div, External: ≥0.5Vp-p		
	FIER (Input through channel 1 input)		
X-Y Mode	Switch selectable using X-Y switch. CH 1: X axis, CH 2: Y axis		
Sensitivity	Same as vertical channel 2		
Accuracy	Y-Axis: ±3%. X-Axis: ±6%		
Input Impedance	Same as vertical channel 2		
Frequency Response	DC to 1MHz typical (-3 dB), to 6 div horizontal deflection		
X-Y Phase Difference	3° or less at 50 kHz		
Max. Input Voltage	Same as vertical channel 2		
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Type	Pactangular with internal graticula		
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Display Area	8 x 10 div (1 div = 1 cm)		
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