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SINGLE-INPUT PULSE COUNTER

Wireless Pulse Counter - Single Input

General Description

The ALTA wireless pulse counter can be connected to the pulse output of a system (water meter, power meter, etc.) to count the number of actuations within a given time frame.

- Counts the number of pulses in given time frame, or aggregates pulses in an ongoing accumulation.
- 3 filter settings: No filter, 4 Hz filter, and 40 Hz filter.
- Capable of counting passive (open/closed switch) and active (Up to +15 VDC) pulses.
- Capable of counting the positive edge, negative edge, or both edges of a pulse.

Principle of Operation

The ALTA wireless pulse counter is an electronic counter capable of counting passive(open/closed switch) or active (Up to +15 VDC) pulses. The counter includes 3 software configurable low pass filter settings (No filter, 40 Hz filter, or 4 Hz filter). The pulse counter filters pulses with pulse widths greater than those designated in the technical specifcations. For example, if the 4Hz filter is set, the pulse counter will count a pulse if the pulse width is longer than 250 ms, if the pulse width is shorter than 250 ms it will be completely or partially filtered (See the Technical Specification table for detailed filtering information). The sensor can be set to send an alert through the iMonnit Online Sensor Monitoring and Notification System when a given number of pulses have been reached within a set time frame. Alerts from the iMonnit system are sent as they happen (in real time) via SMS text or email.

Example Applications

- · Water, gas and air flow meters
- Door access counter
- Turn style counting
- Forklift seat switches
- Button or switch integration
- Production line tracking
- Many additional applications

Features of Monnit ALTA Sensors

- Wireless range of 1,200+ feet through 12+ walls *
- Frequency-Hopping Spread Spectrum (FHSS)
- Improved interference immunity
- Improved power management for longer battery life ** (12+ years on AA batteries)
- Encrypt-RF® Security (Diffie-Hellman Key Exchange + AES-128 CBC for sensor data messages)
- Datalogs 2000 to 4000 readings if gateway connection is lost (non-volatile flash, persists through the power cycle):
 - 10-minute heartbeats = ~ 22 days
 - 2-hour heartbeats = ~ 266 days
- Over-the-air updates (future proof)
- Free iMonnit basic online wireless sensor monitoring and notification system to configure sensors, view data and set alerts via SMS text and email
- * Actual range may vary depending on environment.
- * Battery life is determined by sensor reporting frequency and other variables. Other power options are also available.

Wireless Range Comparison



PinchPower™ Enclosures





Pinch and Pull To Change Battery



ALTA Commercial Coin Cell Wireless Pulse Counter Technical Specifications						
Supply voltage	2.0–3.8 VDC *					
Current consumption	0.2 μA (sleep mode), 0.7 μA (RTC sleep), 570 μA (MCU idle), 2.5 mA (MCU active), 5.5 mA (radio RX mode), 22.6 mA (radio TX mode)					
Operating temperature range (board circuitry and coin cell)	-7°C to +60°C (20°F to +140°F) **					
Optimal battery temperature range (coin cell)	+10°C to +50°C (+50°F to +122°F)					
Maximum count	4294967296 (32 bit number)					
Input voltage	0 to 15 Volts DC					
Detection wires	High impedance (2-wire), 3 ft length					
Counter operation	Positive and/or negative edge pulses					
Compatibility	Open collector NPN switches (passive) Mechanical switches (passive) 0–15V driven source (active)***					
Max input pulse rate/min pulse width with passive input ****		Max Pulse Rate	Min Pulse Width*****			
	No Filter	~ 2 KHz	~ 0.5 ms			
	4 Hz Filter	~ 4 Hz	~ 250 ms			
	40 Hz Filter	~ 40 Hz	~ 25 ms			
Datalogging	Datalogs 2000 to 4000 readings if gateway connection is lost (non-volatile flash, persists through the power cycle): - 10-minute heartbeats = ~ 22 days - 2-hour heartbeats = ~ 266 days					
Wireless range	1,200+ ft non-line-of-sight					
Security	Encrypt-RF [®] (256-bit key exchange and AES-128 CTR)					
Weight	0.7 ounces					
Certifications	900 MHz product; FCC ID: ZTL-G2SC1 and IC: 9794A-G2SC1. 868 and 433 MHz product tested and found to comply with: EN 300 220-2 V3.1.1 (2017-02), EN 300 220-2 V3.1.1 (2017-02) and EN 60950					

* Hardware cannot withstand negative voltage. Take care when connecting a power device.

** At temperatures above 100°C, it is possible for the board circuitry to lose programmed memory.

*** Low Pulse: 0 Volts to 0.2 * VBatt, High Pulse: 0.8 * VBatt to 15 Volts.

**** High pulse count rates can impact battery life. AA battery powered sensors are recommended if counting pulses faster than 1x per second.

***** Input pulse rate must be less than specified Max Pulse Rate and input pulse width must be greater than specified Min Pulse Width to ensure the input pulse is counted.



ALTA Commercial AA Wireless Pulse Counter | Technical Specifications

Supply voltage	2.0–3.8 VDC (3.0–3.8 VDC using power supply) *			
Current consumption	0.2 μA (sleep mode), 0.7 μA (RTC sleep), 570 μA (MCU idle), 2.5 mA (MCU active), 5.5 mA (radio RX mode), 22.6 mA (radio TX mode)			
Operating temperature range (board circuitry and batteries)	-18°C to 55°C (0°F to 130°F) using alkaline -40°C to 85°C (-40°F to 185°F) using lithium **			
Optimal battery temperature range (AA)	+10°C to +50°C	+10°C to +50°C (+50°F to +122°F)		
Maximum count	4294967296 (32	4294967296 (32 bit number)		
Input voltage	0 to 15 Volts DC			
Detection wires	High impedance	High impedance (2-wire), 3 ft length		
Counter operation	Positive and/or ne	Positive and/or negative edge pulses		
Compatibility	Open collector NPN switches (passive) Mechanical switches (passive) 0–15V driven source (active)***			
Max input pulse rate/min pulse width with passive input ****		Max Pulse Rate	Min Pulse Width*****	
	No Filter	~ 2 KHz	~ 0.5 ms	
	4 Hz Filter	~ 4 Hz	~ 250 ms	
	40 Hz Filter	~ 40 Hz	~ 25 ms	
Datalogging	Datalogs 2000 to 4000 readings if gateway connection is lost (non-volatile flash, persists through the power cycle): - 10-minute heartbeats = ~ 22 days - 2-hour heartbeats = ~ 266 days			
Wireless range	1,200+ ft non-line	1,200+ ft non-line-of-sight		
Security	Encrypt-RF® (256-bit key exchange and AES-128 CTR)			
Weight	0.7 ounces			
Certifications	900 MHz product; FCC ID: ZTL-G2SC1 and IC: 9794A-G2SC1. 868 and 433 MHz product tested and found to comply with: EN 300 220-2 V3.1.1 (2017-02), EN 300 220-2 V3.1.1 (2017-02) and EN 60950			

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Power Options

The standard version of this sensor is powered by two replaceable 1.5 V AA sized batteries (included with purchase). This sensor is also available with a line power option. The line powered version of this sensor has a barrel power connector allowing it to be powered by a standard 3.0–3.6 V power supply. The line powered version also uses two standard 1.5 V AA batteries as backup for uninterrupted operation in the event of line power outage. Power options must be selected at time of purchase, as the internal hardware of the sensor must be changed to support the selected power requirements.





ALTA Industrial Wireless Pulse Counter | Technical Specifications

Supply voltage		2.0–3.8 VDC (3.0–3.8 VDC using power supply) *		
Current consumption		0.2 μA (sleep mode), 0.7 μA (RTC sleep), 570 μA (MCU idle), 2.5 mA (MCU active), 5.5 mA (radio RX mode), 22.6 mA (radio TX mode)		
Operating temperature range (board circuitry and battery)		-40°C to +85°C (-40°F to +185°F)		
Included battery	Max temperature range	-40° to +85°C (-40° to +185°F)		
	Capacity	1500 mAh		
Optional solar feature	Solar panel	5VDC/30mA (53mm x 30mm)		
	Charging temperature range	0° to 45°C (32° to 113°F)		
	Max temperature range	-20° to 60°C (-4° to 140°F)		
	Included rechargeable battery	600 mAh/>2000 charge cycles (80% of initial capacity)		
	Solar efficiency	Optimized for high and low-light operation ***		
	Charging efficiency	5% **		
	Luminous sustainability	Minimum of 10,000 LUX **		
Maximum count		4294967296 (32 bit number)		
Input voltage		0 to 15 Volts DC		
Detection wires		High impedance (2-wire), 3 ft length		
Counter operation		Positive and/or negative edge pulses		
Compatibility		Open collector NPN switches (passive), mechanical switches (passive), 0–15V driven source (active) ****		
Max input pulse rate/min pulse width with passive input *****			Max Pulse Rate	Min Pulse Width*****
		No Filter	~ 2 KHz	~ 0.5 ms
		4 Hz Filter	~ 4 Hz	~ 250 ms
		40 Hz Filter	~ 40 Hz	~ 25 ms
Datalogging		Datalogs 2000 to 4000 readings if gateway connection is lost (non-volatile flash, persists through the power cycle): - 10-minute heartbeats = ~ 22 days - 2-hour heartbeats = ~ 266 days		
Wireless range		1,200+ ft non-line-of-sight		
Security		Encrypt-RF [®] (256-bit key exchange and AES-128 CTR)		
Weight		4.7 ounces		
Enclosure rating		NEMA 1, 2, 4, 4x, 12 and 13 rated, sealed and weather proof		
UL rating	UL Listed to UL508-4x specifications (File E194432)			E194432)
Certifications	FC III Industry Canada	900 MHz product; FCC ID: ZTL-G2SC1 and IC: 9794A-G2SC1. 868 and 433 MHz product tested and found to comply with: EN 300 220-2 V3.1.1 (2017-02), EN 300 220-2 V3.1.1 (2017-02) and EN 60950		

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** Solar feature's energy harvesting circuitry works indoors with low light.

*** Light present 25% of day yields 125% of operating power to support 10-minute heartbeats.

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