

# High Efficiency Joint

**HEJ 70-48-60**

**30 V – 60 V | 63 Nm | 22 rad/s**

This is a highly compact, integrated and efficient robotic drive system that contains all subsystems to provide a full motion solution, such as controller, motor, gearing and sensing. This drive is fully enclosed, ingress- and impact-rated, and designed for continuous operation at very low losses. It offers high robustness and a long operating lifetime. Controlled via *EtherCAT*, it features an advanced impedance controller, rendering it suitable for modern robotics applications. Simulation models enable dependable robotic system designs.



EtherCAT

All data are provided for  $U_{DC} = 48\text{ V}$  and  $T_{amb} = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , unless otherwise specified.

Specifications for different voltage levels or other operating limits, and corresponding simulation models, are available upon request.

## OUTPUT CHARACTERISTICS

|  |                       |                |
|--|-----------------------|----------------|
| Maximum joint velocity   | $U_{DC} = 48\text{V}$ | +/- 17.8 rad/s |
|  | $U_{DC} = 60\text{V}$ | +/- 22 rad/s   |
| Maximum joint torque, actively controlled & repetitive<br><small>This torque can be applied for ca. 1s-2s before the temperature protection activates.</small>   |                       | +/- 63 Nm      |
| Nominal joint torque<br><small>This torque can be maintained <i>indefinitely</i> without external forced air cooling. Conditions: Actuator mounted in free space and with a joint velocity of 2 rad/s. The time constants are long, i.e., considerably higher quasi-continuous torques can be applied for durations up to a few minutes.</small> |                       | +/- 27 Nm      |

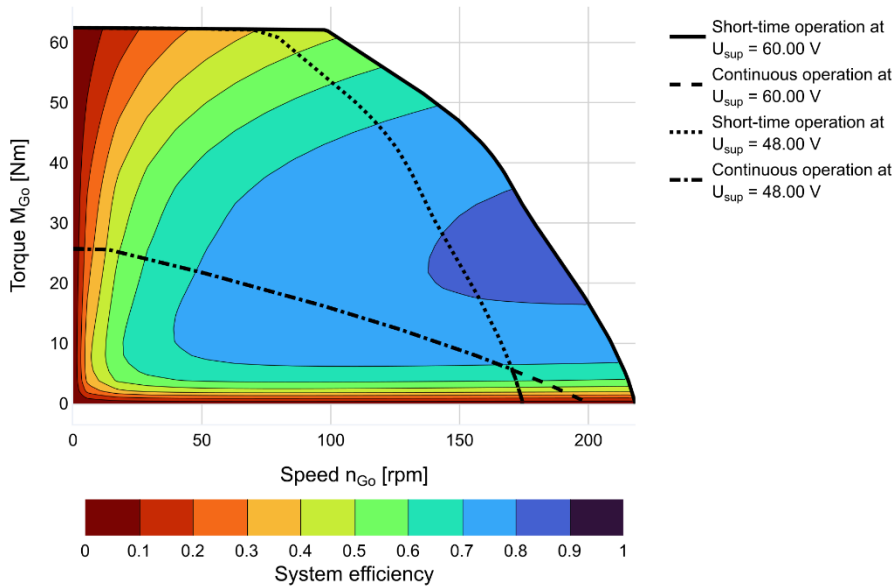
## POWER CONVERSION CHARACTERISTICS Motor Operating Quadrants

| $U_{DC}$ (V)<br>DC-Link Voltage | $V_{joint}$ (rad/s)<br>Joint Velocity | $M_{joint}$ (Nm)<br>Joint Torque | $I_{in}$ (A)<br>DC-Link Input Curr. | $P_{loss}$ (W)<br>Total System Loss | Efficiency (%)<br>$P_{out,mech} / P_{in,elec}$ |   |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| 48                              | 0                                     | 0                                | 0.04                                | 2.0                                 | 0  | ● |
| 48                              | 0                                     | 60                               | 6.5                                 | 392                                 | 0  | ▲ |
| 48                              | 0                                     | 50                               | 3.1                                 | 184                                 | 0  | ▲ |
| 48                              | 0                                     | 40                               | 1.5                                 | 90                                  | 0  | ▲ |
| 48                              | 0                                     | 27                               | 0.8                                 | 48                                  | 0  | ● |
| 48                              | 0                                     | 20                               | 0.4                                 | 22                                  | 0  | ● |
| 48                              | 0                                     | 10                               | 0.1                                 | 7                                   | 0  | ● |
| 48                              | 10                                    | 0                                | 0.3                                 | 19                                  | 0  | ● |
| 48                              | 10                                    | 50                               | 13.3                                | 297                                 | 63   | ▲ |
| 48                              | 10                                    | 20                               | 4.3                                 | 57                                  | 78   | ▲ |
| 48                              | 15                                    | 0                                | 0.5                                 | 30                                  | 0  | ● |
| 48                              | 15                                    | 30                               | 8.8                                 | 106                                 | 80   | ▲ |
| 48                              | 15                                    | 20                               | 6.2                                 | 75                                  | 80   | ▲ |
| 48                              | 15                                    | 10                               | 3.3                                 | 47                                  | 76   | ● |
| 48                              | 15                                    | 0                                | 0.7                                 | 44                                  | 0  | ● |
| 60                              | 20                                    | 0                                | 0.7                                 | 44                                  | 0  | ● |
| 60                              | 20                                    | 10                               | 4.4                                 | 64                                  | 76   | ▲ |

Operating points with a triangle (▲) can only be maintained for short times (some seconds, due to thermal limitations (mainly: continuous input current limited to  $8\text{ A}_{RMS}$ )).

Operating points marked with a circle (●) can be maintained continuously, but potentially require adequate external forced air cooling. Simulation models are available upon request.

**POWER CONVERSION PERFORMANCE MAP Motor Operating Quadrants**



Note: This graphic shows the maximum achievable joint torque/velocities for the given supply voltages. Refer to the Power Conversion Characteristics table above for details about the continuous operating points. This plot assumes passive cooling and does not consider DC-link input current limits! Further details are available on request.

Highest efficiency, motor quadrant: ca. 81.4%

**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| Operating input voltage range (voltages as low as 20V are possible but might have implications – contact us.)   | 30 V – 60 V          |
| Max. allowable transient input voltage (e.g., due to inductive spikes or noise on the supply bus)   | 67.0 V               |
| DC link input capacitance (MLCC)  | 240 $\mu\text{F}$    |
| Max. power supply input current<br>During transients or accelerations, the system can create high current peaks. Capacitive inrush current not considered.<br>Unloaded joint.   | < 40 A               |
| Max. continuous power supply current<br>Input currents may only exceed this value for very short periods of time to prevent damage to the power connector or internal cabling. This is a conservative limit – please approach us if you plan on exceeding this limit. | 8.0 A <sub>RMS</sub> |

**CONTROL CHARACTERISTICS**

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| Control modes  | Joint position, velocity, torque, motor current (FOC)<br>Joint impedance controller (simultaneous control of position, velocity, torque)<br>PDO-mappable control gains<br>Internal cogging, friction and backlash compensation systems   |
| Joint position sensor  | Type: Absolute Single-Turn.<br>Resolution: 14 bit. Absolute angular error: < 0.01 rad (0.6°).<br>Note that the firmware applies sensor fusion techniques to reduce noise and INL error on this encoder signal. This sensor measures the absolute output position (after the gear). |
| Joint torque measurement<br>Via electric motor current, compensated    | Absolute error, steady-state: < 0.8 Nm   |
| Joint velocity filtering   | Configurable lowpass   |
| Controller execution rate  | Current controller (FOC): 25 kHz<br>All others: 2.5 kHz<br>PWM frequency: 50 kHz   |
| Max. EtherCAT communication rate                                       | 1 kHz  |
| Internal temperature sensors   | Motor winding and power electronics, PDO-mappable  |
| Motor temperature i2t protection                                       | Configurable   |
| Mechanical backlash<br>Fixed motor position, movement of the joint.    | 0.5° (average)<br>A backlash compensator is available in firmware.<br>A low-backlash hardware design is available upon request.  |
| Tot. mech. moment of inertia, at joint                                 | 112 kgcm <sup>2</sup>  |
| Backdriving torque<br>(system disabled, including joint seal friction) | < 1.0 Nm   |

| ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS  |  |
|--|--|
| Ingress protection   | IP67, also with rotating joint and applied bending moments   |
| Ambient operating temperature  | -20°C to +60°C<br>(might require adequate cooling if the system exhibits losses)   |
| Thermal interface<br>Note: The thermal dissipation capability serves only as an indication. Actual performance depends on external heat transfer system and environment. Details are available upon request. | Integrated heat sinks for forced air cooling.<br>Continuous thermal dissipation (passive convective cooling) up to ca. 50 W.<br>Integrated and user-controllable fan power supply. |
| Thermal resistance winding-housing   | 0.38 K/W   |
| Thermal time constant winding  | 12 s   |

| LIFETIME CHARACTERISTICS  |   |
|---|---|
| Note: A high emphasis was put on creating a highly reliable and robust product. Nonetheless, the operating lifetime of this drive strongly depends on its load cases and environmental aspects. The indicated values are only a (simplified) guideline. Further details are available upon request.   |   |
| High-cycle fatigue: Joint impact/overtorque events  | 12e6 impacts at 38 Nm<br>100e3 impacts at 50 Nm<br>1e3 impacts at 67 Nm |
| Lifetime at constant operation<br>Note 1: Depending on environmental factors (e.g., temperature, dust or chemicals exposure), the joint output seal may potentially degrade earlier.<br>Note 2: These operating points are naturally dependent on temperature and specific aspects of the load cycle and gear lubrication life. Details can be provided upon request. | 10 Nm, 22 rad/s: >56'000 h<br>30 Nm, 5 rad/s: >56'000 h                 |

| MECHANICAL CHARACTERISTICS   |  |
|--|--|
| Axial length, overall, excluding connectors  | ca. 77 mm  |
| Diameter, excluding connectors   | ca. 88 mm  |
| Mass   | 1.04 kg  |
| Cross-roller joint output bearing<br>The system provides an integrated cross-roller bearing. Its load cases can be complex. Contact us for assistance, especially regarding acceptable safety factors.<br>A stronger cross-roller bearing is available upon request. | Bearing: THK RA5008 or similar.<br>Dia = 66 mm, C=5100 N, C <sub>0</sub> =7190 N |

| ELECTRICAL INTERFACES                                       |   |
|---|---|
| Connectors: (Up to) 4x M8                                   | 1x Power supply,<br>2x <i>EtherCAT</i> (allows daisy-chaining of several systems),<br>1x fan power and control (radial connector version only). |
| <i>EtherCAT</i>   | Full Duplex, 100 Mbit/s   |
| Functional safety   | Under development. Please contact us for details.   |
| Grounding concept   | All housing parts connected to DC link GND via RC network.<br><i>EtherCAT</i> shield connected directly to housing.                             |
| Fan power and control<br>To supply an external cooling fan. | Power: 12 V, max. 700 mA.<br>Control: PWM (Open Drain, 25 kHz).<br>Tacho input: Pull-up, 10 kΩ.   |

## SYSTEM CONFIGURATIONS

We offer two connector arrangements of the *HEJ 70-48-60* to facilitate cable management and maximize systems integration possibilities.

All performance data is identical for the two versions.

Please refer to the mechanical drawings and electrical pinouts below to assess the key differences.

CAD models and detailed integration drawings are available on request.

Radial connectors

maxon P/N: 933846

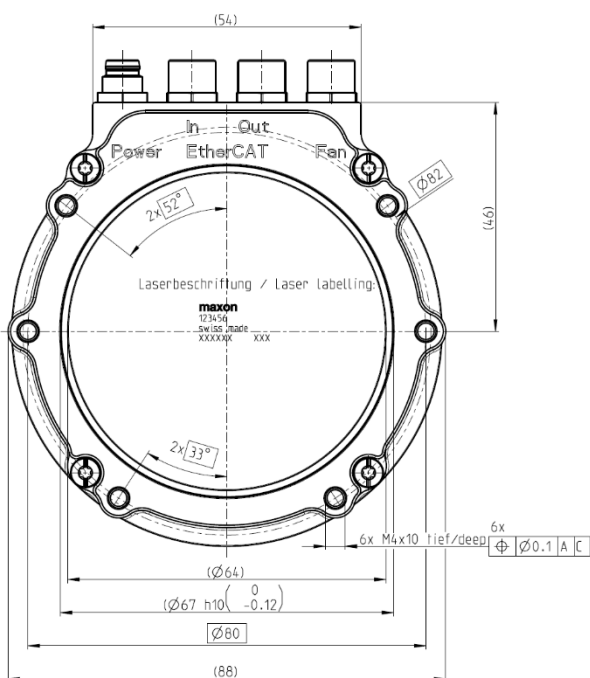
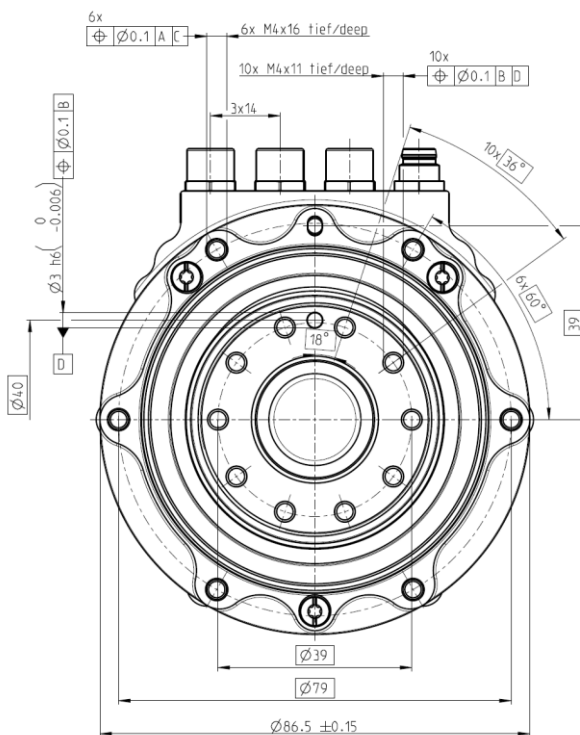
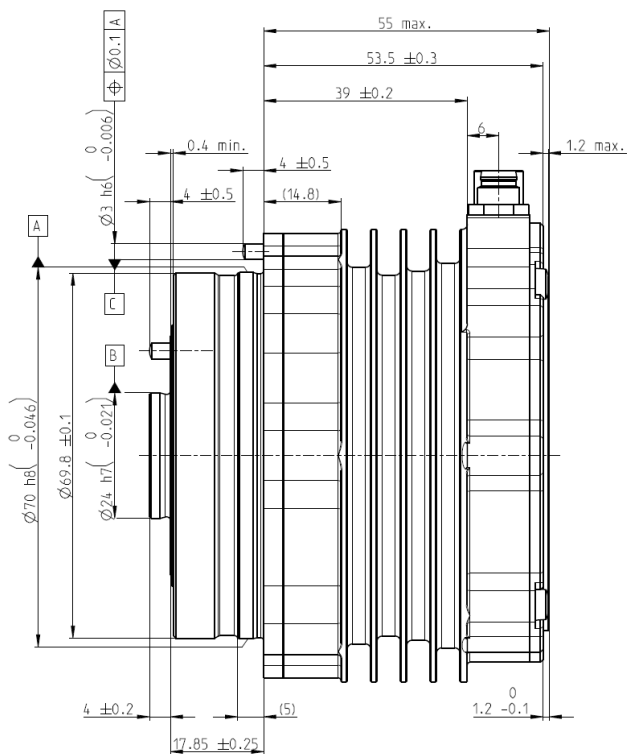


Axial connectors

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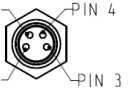
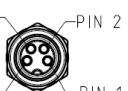
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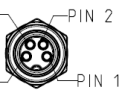



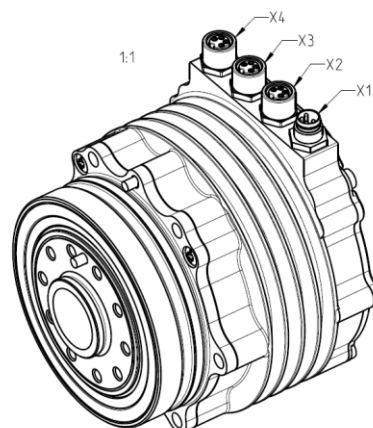
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Note 2: The HEJ 70 can also be mounted solely at its rear interface (6x M4x10 fasteners). Please contact us at [robotics@maxongroup.com](mailto:robotics@maxongroup.com) to assess your load case (force transmission, housing integrity, high-cycle fatigue).

**ELECTRICAL PINOUTS – RADIAL CONNECTORS (P/N 933846, REV 01)**

| Steckerbelegung / PIN allocation   |     |        |
|--|-----|--------|
| Stecker/connector  | PIN | Signal |
| <b>X1 Power</b><br>M8 male, 4poles, A-coded<br>         | 1   | VBUS   |
|  | 2   | VBUS   |
|  | 3   | GND    |
|  | 4   | GND    |
| <b>X2 EtherCAT In</b><br>M8 female, 4poles, A-coded<br> | 1   | TX+    |
|  | 2   | RX+    |
|  | 3   | RX-    |
|  | 4   | TX-    |

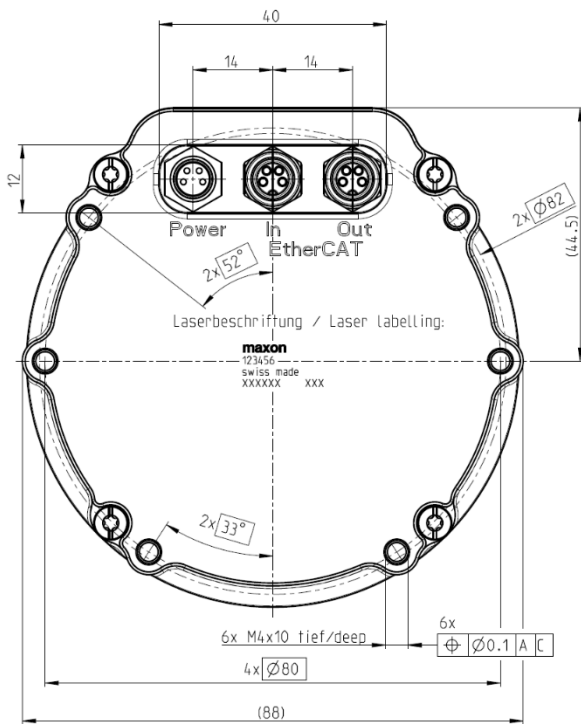
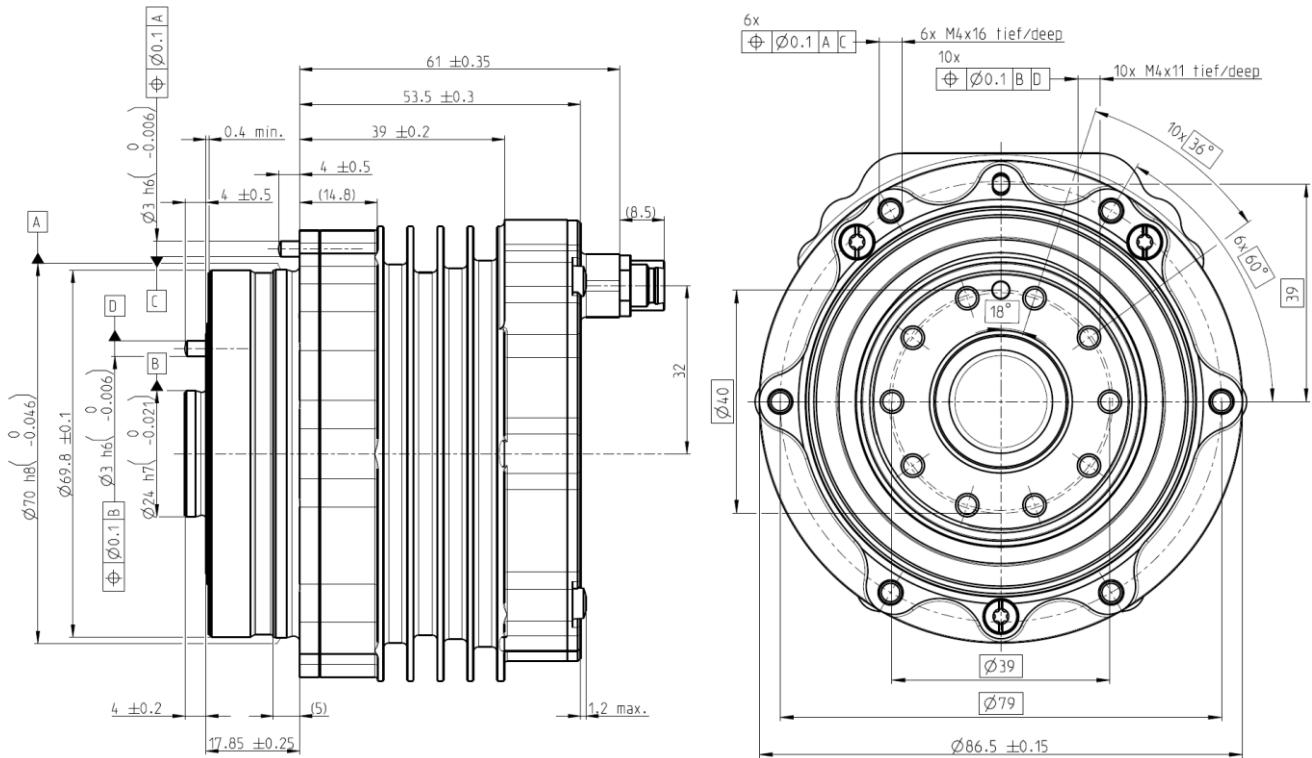
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|   | 4   | TX-       |
| <b>X4 Fan</b><br>M8 female, 4poles, A-coded<br>          | 1   | Vcc 12V   |
|   | 2   | GND       |
|   | 3   | PW M-Fan  |
|   | 4   | Tacho-Fan |



Please note:

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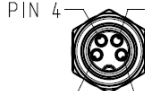


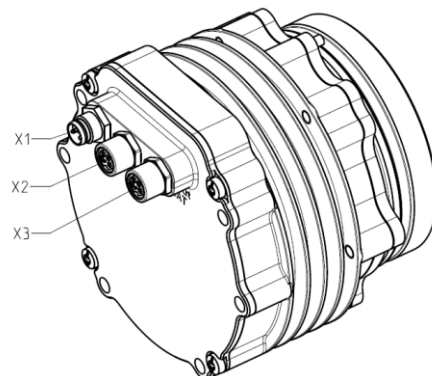
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