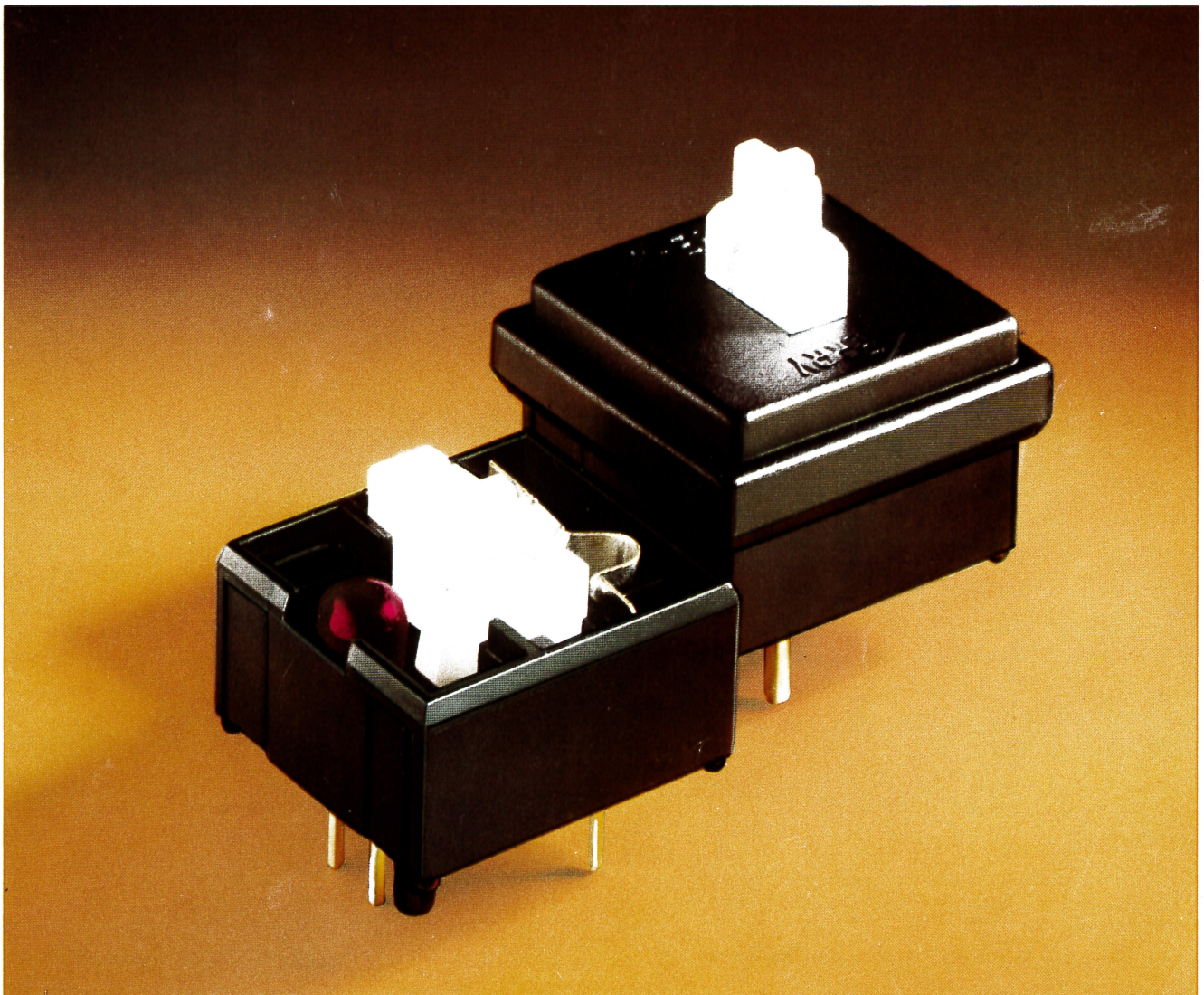
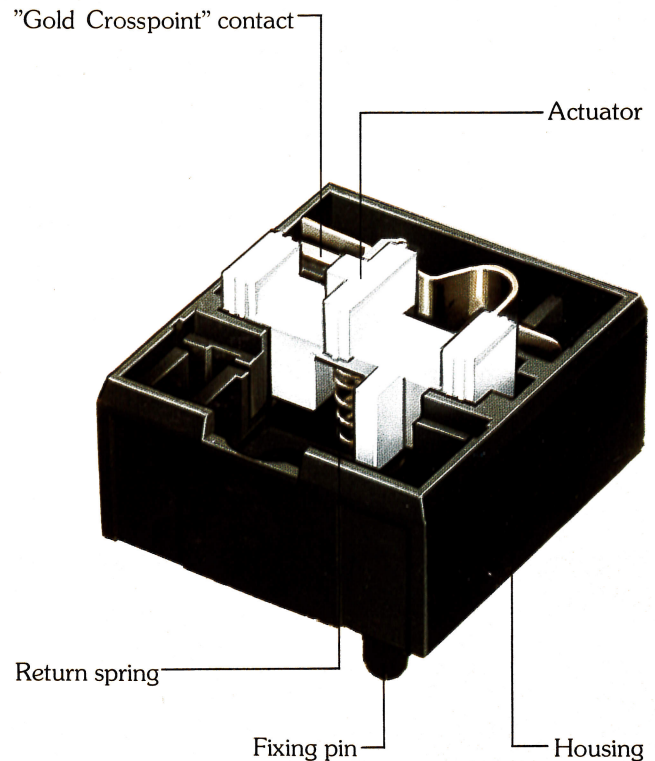
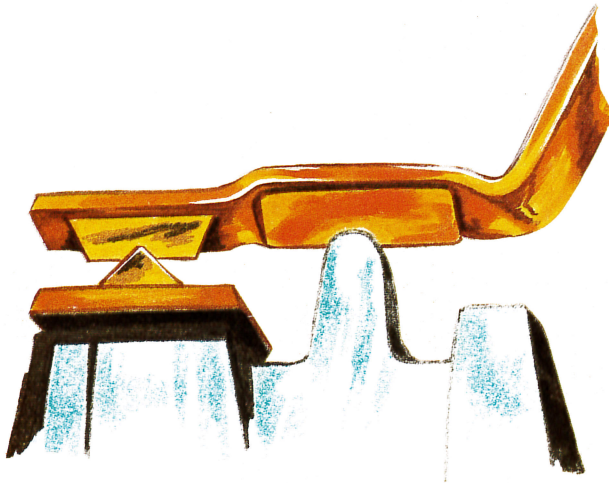


# Keymodule M8

**Two basic Versions  
and a Host of Keycap Styles  
for Keyboard Design.**





## Main Advantages

- The M8 keymodule represents the culmination of our many years of experience in design and production of keymodules with exceptional performance.
- "Gold Crosspoint" contacts, a configuration that has proven itself in practice millions of times over.
- High life expectation:  $> 10 \times 10^6$  operations.
- Precise switching for high functional reliability.
- Fatigue-free operation with no risk of multiple actuation.
- Your choice of linear feel or tactile feedback at actuation.
- Extremely low profile, 2.5 mm full-travel keyswitches.
- Keymodule body covered or uncovered.
- Optionally available with LEDs.
- 6-mm or 12-mm standard keycaps, as well as a large range of special versions.
- Cost-effective keyboard assembly: keymodules are mounted directly onto the P.C. board.
- All plastics used are UL-registered.
- We provide you with support at no extra charge for finding problem solutions, project planning and production.
- We guarantee fast delivery and flexible disposition.
- Special-purpose versions are possible.

- Available through our worldwide network of agents and distributors.
- The Cherry M8.  
A new generation keymodule "Made in Germany".

## Important Features

- 2.5-mm full-travel keyswitches.
- 19.05-mm standard spacing, 16 mm on request.
- Keymodules with linear feel or tactile feedback upon actuation, also available to comply West German Postal Service specifications.
- Contact versions:
  - Single-pole
  - Double-pole
  - Double-pole with defined switching characteristic.
- Extremely low profile.
- Low initial contact resistance of 200 milliohms max. (typically 25 m $\Omega$ ).
- Variety of contact materials for different electrical requirements.
- Direct mounting to P.C. board using fixing pins.
- Option of angled stems for "stepped" keyboard design.
- Optional LEDs for status indications.

## Typical Applications

- Office machines
- Telephone keysets
- Portable computers

- Measurement and control equipment
- Medical equipment
- Musical instruments

## Technical Specifications

Materials: Plastic parts  
Contacts  
Springs

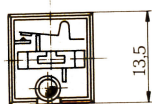
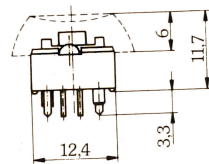
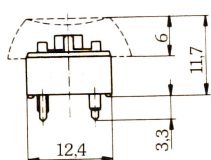
Storage temperature range  
Operating temperature range  
Relative humidity  
Solderability

M81	M82	M84
AuAg26Ni3	Thermoplastics, UL-registered AgPd30 Stainless steel	AuAg10
	-40° C to +70° C -10° C to +70° C	
	5% to 95%, noncondensing	

Suitable for solder bath method in acc. with DIN 40046 Sheet 18

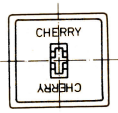
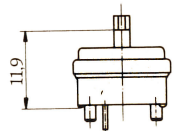
## Dimensions

Uncovered keymodule

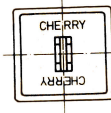
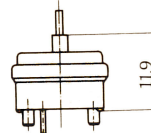


LED version

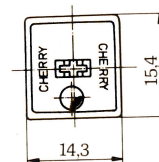
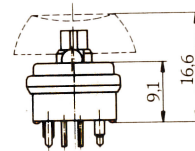
Covered keymodule



6 mm keycap



12 mm keycap



LED version  
6 mm keycap

Total travel

Pretravel

Operating force

Force required to overcome pressure point

Keyswitch with  
linear feel

2.5 +0.2mm  
-0.3mm

1.6 ± 0.6mm

70 ± 20 cN

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Keyswitch with  
tactile feedback

2.5 +0.2mm  
-0.3mm

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70 ± 20 cN

105 ± 30 cN

Keyswitch with tactile feedback  
in compliance with W. German Postal  
Service specifications

2.5 +0.2mm  
-0.3mm

1.4 ± 0.6mm

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max. 140 cN

## Electrical Specifications

Voltage

Current

Dielectric strength

Life expectancy w/o electrical load

Life expectancy at load of 1.5V, 1mA

Initial contact resistance

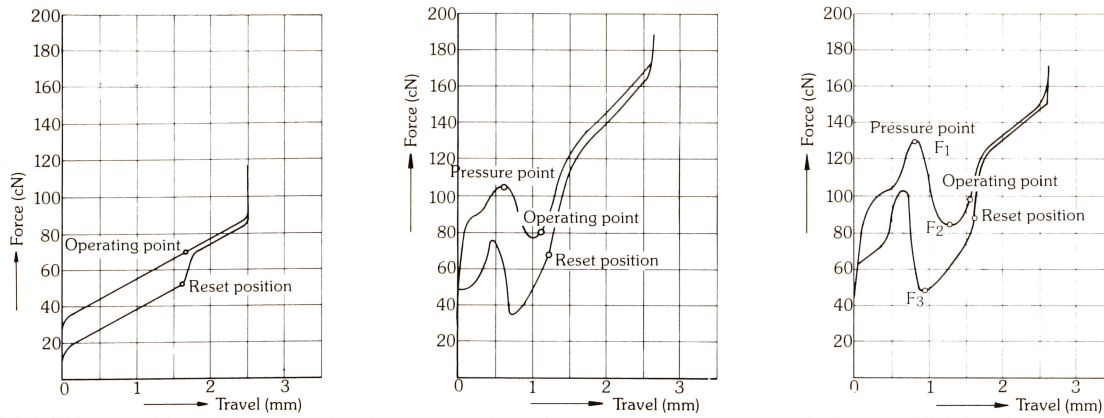
Insulation resistance at 100V

Capacitance at 1MHz

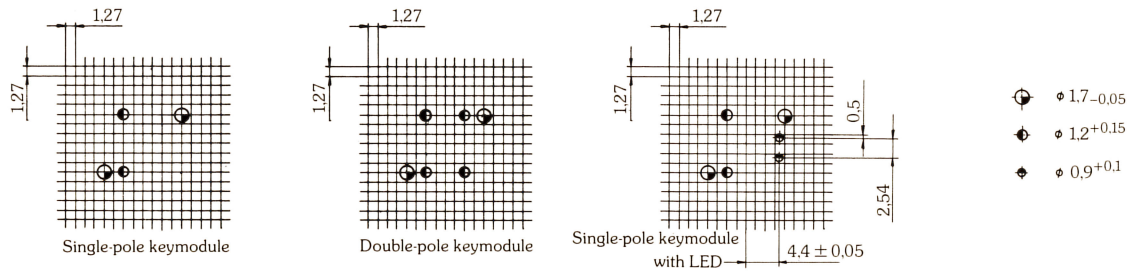
Bounce time at operating speed of 0.4m/sec.

M81	M82	M84
28V AC/DC	60V AC/DC	12V AC/DC max.
100 mA	100mA	10mA max.
	500V/50Hz/1min.	
	≧ 10x10 <sup>6</sup> operations	
	≧ 10x10 <sup>6</sup> operations	
	≧ 200m max. (25 mΩ typ.)	
	When new and after rated life expectancy: 100 MΩ	
	< 0,5pF	
	≧ 5ms	

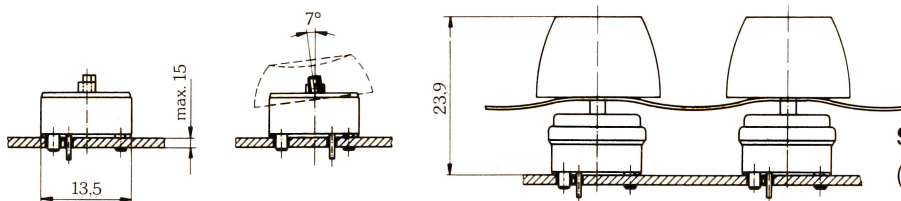
## Force/Travel Diagram



## P.C.B. Bore Hole Layout

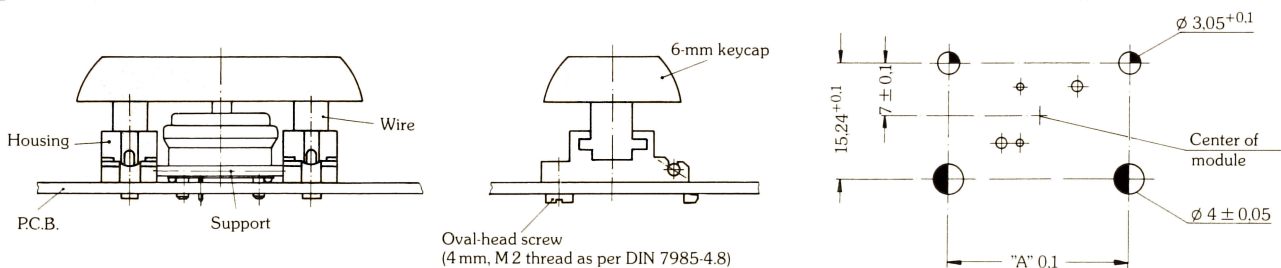


## Keyboard Mounting



Sealed in compliance with IP 54.  
(Covered 12-mm keycap only)

## Spacebar Mechanism



Keycap format	1x2	1x2	1x3	1x3	1x8	1x8
Keycap height	6 mm	6 mm	6 mm	6 mm	6 mm	6 mm
Keymodule type	uncovered	covered	uncoverd	covered	uncovered	covered
"A" (mm)	23.8	23.8	38.1	38.1	114.3	114.3
Part no.	G 99-0186	G 99-0189	G 99-1987	G 99-0190	G 99-0188	G 99-0191

## Keycaps

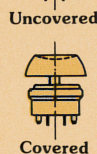
Type 1, 12 mm				
Type 2, 6 mm				
Type 3, 15.2 x 15.2 mm				
Type 4, 8 x 13 mm				
Type 5, for insertable legend				

## Ordering Information

628-0972 / 628-0973

# M81A-0100

Keymodule		Super Low-profile Series		Contact		Switching Characteristic		Stem Type		LED		Keycap 1x1, blank								
- Rating	- Material	No. of contacts	No. of contacts	Operating force / prestroke point force cN	Uncovered	Covered	0	1	4	1	3	5	6	7	O	R	G	Y	S	
1	100 mA/28 V AuAg 26 Ni 3	A	1	70 ± 20 105 ± 30	X	X	0	1	4	O					O					
2	100 mA/60 V AgPd 30	B	1	85 ± 20	X	X	0	1	4	R					R					
4	10 mA max./12 V max. AuAg 10	C	2	95 ± 35 90 ± 35	X	X	0	1	4	G					G					
		D	1	85 ± 35	X	X	0	1	4	Y					Y					
		E	1	70 ± 20 105 ± 30	X	X	0	1	4	S					S					
		F	2	95 ± 35 90 ± 35	X	X	0	1	4											
		G	1	95 ± 35	X	X	0	1	4											
		H	1	95 ± 35	X	X	0	1	4											
		I	2	95 ± 35	X	X	0	1	4											



Switching Characteristic	Stem Type	LED	Keycap 1x1, blank
0 Linear feel	1 Standard short; keycap types: 2, 5	O Without LED	O w/o keycap
1 Tactile feedback	3 Standard short; keycap types: 2, 5	R Red LED	R Red
4 Tactile feedback in compl. w. W. German Postal Serv. specs.	5 Covered short; keycap types: 2, 3, 4, 5	G Green LED	G Green
	6 Covered long; keycap type: 1	Y Yellow LED	Y Yellow
	7 Short, angled 7°; keycap type: 2	S Red LED super bright	B Blue
			U Grey
			W White
			S Black