



**April 2018**  
**Version 2.2.1**

Thank you for choosing HBM for your test, analysis and measurement task. This document shows the released product package of SomatXR. Please always check whether an updated version is available at: <http://www.hbm.com>. Please note that the firmware has been optimized. We recommend installing the latest firmware on all existing modules.

## What's new?

### Modules / Firmware

- **Firmware**
  - CX23-R Firmware Version 2.2.1
  - MX Module Firmware Version 4.10.4.0
    - Included in CX23-R firmware to update from the Web Interface.
- **New Module Support**
  - None

### Software Tools / Libraries

- **Software Updates**
  - SomatXR Emulator v2.2.0

### Documentation

- **New Documentation**
  - None
- **Updated Documentation**
  - CX23-R / EX23-R User Manual Version 8.0

### Accessories

- **New Accessories**
  - None
- **Updated Accessories**
  - None

A complete listing of all supported modules, accessories, and documentation of the SomatXR line is available at the end of these release notes.

# RELEASEnotes



SOMAT XR

## Notes about the eDAQXR firmware v2.2.1

- **Bugs Fixed / Issues Resolved**

- **Chrome Aw Snap Issue.** Fixed a bug in the handling of strip charts displays that resulted in Chrome Aw Snap web browser crashes. These crashes became much more frequent starting with Chrome release 64.0.3282.140.
- **SIE Viewer Issue.** In certain situations the SIE Viewer would not be usable within the GUI, this issue has been corrected.
- **Use of MX firmware v4.10.4.0.** This release uses MX firmware version 4.10.4.0 in place of the 4.12.14.0 version used in the v2.2.0 release. The primary reason for this is that the problematic MX471 interface fails to start tests more frequently using 4.12.14.0 compared to using 4.10.4.0.
- **Timeout issue with MX modules.** Increased the time out period on waiting for MX module channels to respond to a parameter configuration request from 30 to 120 seconds. Normally, the time required for this is much less than 30 seconds, but one customer usage case was encountered where 30 seconds was not long enough.

## Notes about the CX23-R firmware v2.2.0

- **New Features**

- **SIE Viewer.** A new feature currently released but provided as is, as a beta feature is the on device SIE Viewer. Users can now look at SIE data without having to download the SIE file and use a desktop application to view data. This SIE Viewer is intended to allow operators to do quick checks of data to ensure integrity and existence of data, and is not intended to be a replacement for deep data analysis software found on desktop platforms. Please see the help system for more information.
- **Quantum Module Firmware upgraded to version 4.12.14.0.** The support for MX module firmware v4.12.14.0 has been added to this release.
- **Support for notifications with the Over Range Detector Computed Channel.** Support for the Over Range Detector Computer Channel to notify the user in the event of over ranges set by the DataMode has been added to this release. Please see the help system for more information.
- **Network check feature.** A new feature has been added to check the state of the network connection between the client's GUI session, and the XR. If any issues exist which may cause usability or performance issues, they will be listed here. This feature was added to help the customer maintain visibility of what issues are inherently a result of their client side machine or network configuration. See the help system for more information.
- **Multiplexed CAN signal decoding support.** Added support for decoding multiplexed CAN signals. Such signals can be loaded from either a DBC file or an eDAQ CAN database text file. At this time "extended multiplexing" (where messages contain more than one multiplexor field) -are -is not supported. Refer to Vector application note AN-ION-1-0521 for more information on simple and extended multiplexing.

- **Optimizations**

- **SIE metadata extension.** The SIE metadata was extended to include SSI encoders, HBM SDB parameters, and CAN message request parameters.
- **SIE file size overhead for slow sample rate tests.** Significantly reduced SIE file size overhead for tests primarily comprised of channels using sample rates below 50 Hz. See the Help system Operational note 'SIE file size issues' for more information.



- **Charts to remain open when last channel removed.** Previously when the last channel was removed from a chart, the chart would be also removed. Currently the chart will now stay in place to allow for new channels to be dropped into it.
  - **Extension of SDBX importer functionality with sensor drops.** Extended SDBX importer to be less restrictive on sensor drops. For example, a bridge sensor with excitation range set at 0.5V can now be dropped on to a MX840 module channel which supports 2.5V and 1V excitation ranges only. The excitation is increased to the minimum of 1V. Prior to this release, the bridge sensor could not have been dropped on to any MX840 channel.
  - **Support for importing display configurations from other setups.** The chart configuration area of the GUI has been enhanced to allow for importing of chart display configurations from other setups. This should reduce customer time needed to configure multiple tests which have similar display chart configurations.
  - **General GUI enhancements and performance improvements.** The GUI has continued to undergo optimization and performance gaining enhancements through this release.
  - **FPGA and Power Micro Firmware Versions now listed.** The current FPGA and Power Micro firmware version numbers are now listed in the hardware panel for improved visibility and understanding of the system currently being used.
  - **Various code optimizations to GUI controller code.** Continual improvement and optimization has taken place on the code underlying the core and foundational operation of the GUI interface.
  - **Recommendations dialog on GUI load.** A message outlining security and browser recommendations has been added to the loading screen for the GUI.
- **Bugs Fixed / Issues Resolved**
    - **TEDS enabled system preference removed.** The System preference 'TEDS enabled' is no longer supported. TEDS is always enabled. It was originally provided for internal development debugging purposes only. However, it was recently found that disabling TEDS can cause problems with MX840B-R channels that are configured for Pulse frequency and Encoder frequency sensor input modes (using MX firmware versions 4.12.14.0, 4.10.4.0, and possibly earlier versions). See the release note below for more information on that.
    - **MX840 encoder frequency channel issue.** Fixed as issue with MX840 Encoder frequency channels not generating valid data after a system power cycle or CX23-R reboot. The invalid data would typically be at or near 0 independent of the actual sensor input frequency. The fix in part requires that TEDS never be disabled. The source of the problem with disabling TEDS is in the MX840B-R module and as such this 'fix' is more aptly termed a CX23-R code workaround for that MX840B-R module problem.
    - **Low sample rate CAN and GPS test issue.** Fixed a bug with the first sample stored in the SIE being set to the stale data invalid value when the sample rate was 1/10 or 1/5 Hz. This bug affected CAN and GPS channels only.
    - **Automatic error reset and restart issue.** Fixed a bug that could result in a test not restarting after an error reset when the system was drawing close to the maximum CPU load of 100% during the restart.
    - **Firmware upgrade with disk full issue.** Previously when attempting to update firmware when the system disk is full, the firmware process would not complete successfully. Checks have been put in place to alert the user before issuing a firmware upgrade if the total space available is insufficient to successfully complete the procedure.
    - **Max / Min Run Time Display issue.** Previously when using the Max / Min Run Time Display chart, the system would respond erratically and performance of the GUI would in some cases cause a browser crash, or the browser to simply become unresponsive. This issue has been corrected.
    - **Channel name update on dependent channels or DataModes.** Previously when a channel name was changed, the change would not ripple through any dependent channels or DataModes. This issue has been corrected.



- **RAW message channels in classic domain with Burst Message Logger DataMode issue.** Previously a RAW message channel in the classic data rate domain being utilized in a Burst Message Logger DataMode would erroneously be set a sample rate, which would cause a validation error. This issue has been corrected.
  - **Issues with resizing charts.** Previously when resizing charts in certain configurations, the plots may freeze or being unresponsive. This issue has been corrected.
  - **Erroneous error flag on shut down or power loss.** Previously when the system shuts down or loses power, error flags would be thrown as a result of connected MX modules also losing power. This issue has been corrected.
  - **System temperature channel in subzero situations.** Previously when the temperature of the module was below zero, the power micro would report erroneous temperatures. This issue has been corrected.
  - **Erratic behavior with save feature in display views tab section.** Previously when attempting to use the Save View option in the displays views tab section in certain situations, the behavior would act like Save View As. In general, the functionality of this feature has been corrected.
- **Known Issues and Advisories**
    - **MX840 issue with Pulse frequency or Encoder frequency channels.** In this release and all previous releases, spikes will occur on MX840 channels configured as Pulse frequency or Encoder frequency channels whenever there are no pulses from the sensor for a period of approximately 107 seconds. The magnitude of the spikes will vary and is not deterministic.
    - **Emulator import of MX460 channels.** Currently importing tests into the CX23R Emulator which contain MX460 channels will not automatically populate MX460 hardware on import. This will be corrected in a future release.
    - **MX471 CAN channels potential issue.** There is the following known issue with using MX471 CAN channels in a CX23R test. Sometimes the test will fail to start on a "Timeout waiting for (MX471) channel ready announcements" error and the system will reset. In almost all cases, the test will restart properly after the system reset. We have never seen this issue on a power cycle test restart so that's the last resort for getting a test to run if it does not start on the error reset.
    - **Recommended browsers.** The recommended browsers when using the CX23-R web interface are up to date versions of Chrome and Firefox. The web interface may work on other browsers but may result in degraded or undesirable operation.
    - **Setups utilizing a video encoder, created with v1.14.0 will require configuration changes to work in v1.14.1.** If a previous setup was created with v1.14.0 or earlier firmware, the resolution of your video image will need to be changed to a properly supported resolution prior to running the test.
    - **Setups utilizing multiple video channels from a multi-channel video encoder is not supported.** Although the CX23-R will allow the user to specify multiple video streams from a multi-channel encoder, using more than one channel from a multi-channel encoder is not supported, and configuring a test with this configuration may in not as-configured results, and is at the user's own risk. It is recommended the user only use one channel on a multi-channel video encoder.
    - **Help system extensions appearing after firmware updates.** When upgrading firmware, it is possible for browsers not to update the Help system content when opening the Help System. A full browser refresh, and removing of all temporary files is recommended to fix this issue.
    - **Issue with propagating changes in the hardware panel.** Changes made to test setup parameters in the Hardware page are currently not propagated to computed channels, output channels, DataModes or display charts like they are when changes are made using the Input channel spreadsheet. Until this is fixed, users should keep this in mind when using the Hardware page to edit channels if the test setup contains computed channels, output channels, DataModes or display charts.



- **Live video displays when using the Axis m7001 video encoder.** The Axis m7001 encoder can be used, but there are limitations on video display capabilities with this old and now discontinued Axis product. Video frames will be properly stored in the SIE file; however, viewing of the video frames is supported in the Hardware view only. As such, video frames cannot be displayed when the SIE test is running.
- **Users with previously undefined profiles.** If users have been previously configured with no profile, those users will be given read only permissions until a profile is assigned. This is an advisory effective if upgrading from v1.8.3 or earlier firmware.
- **Caution when using Netgear networking interfaces with the CX23-R.** Certain Netgear switches and routers have been known to not work reliably when connected to the Host port of the CX23-R. The problem will manifest as the Netgear networking interface showing the CX23-R is not connected when in fact it is. In certain situations, a power cycle of the Netgear networking interfaces can correct the problem. For these reasons, it is strongly recommended that for any high availability or high assurance test platforms, that Netgear networking interfaces not be used to connect to the CX23-R Host port.
- **Caution when using Firewire with MX Modules.** In certain atypical usage scenarios, MX modules can lose PTP sync when a test run is restarted after a reboot. See the help system topic that discusses setting up the SomatXR system for more information.
- **MX modules can get into a state where they can only be recovered via a power cycle.** On occasion, MX modules may get into a state where they are no longer recognized by the CX23-R interface. The work around for this issue is to power cycle the MX module.
- **EX23-R PTP Synchronization with MX modules using ports 5 and 6.** Using a system connected with MX modules connected to ports 5 or 6 on the EX23R can rarely result in the MX modules losing sync with the CX23R until the EX23R is rebooted or power cycles. This has only been encountered in QA testing a few times and only when the system has been running for relatively long periods of time (e.g., over a week). However, this can be very problematic for long term unattended testing - particularly in scenarios where power is never cycled. As such, it is strongly advised that MX modules are not connected to ports 5 or 6 in long term unattended tests. Network sources such as Axis cameras can be connected to port 6 (or port 5 when routed through a commercial PoE switch).



# RELEASEnotes



**SOMAT XR**

## Complete Listing of Modules, Accessories, Documentation and available Support Software Tools / Libraries

### Modules

- SomatXR: Data Processor with 64 GB memory 1-CX23-R-64-2
- SomatXR: Ethernet Switch PTP 1-EX23-R
- SomatXR: Standard Amplifier 1-MX1601B-R
- SomatXR: Bridge Amplifier 1-MX1615B-R
- SomatXR: Thermo Amplifier 1-MX1609KB-R
- SomatXR: Universal Amplifier 1-MX840B-R
- SomatXR: Highly Dynamic Amplifier 1-MX411B-R
- SomatXR: CAN module 1-MX471B-R
- SomatXR: Frequency Amplifier 1-MX460B-R
- QuantumX: Measuring Amplifier / 16 channels 1-MX1601B
- QuantumX: Bridge Amplifier / 16 channels 1-MX1615B
- QuantumX: Thermocouple Type K / 16 channels 1-MX1609KB
- QuantumX: CAN Module / 4 channels 1-MX471B
- QuantumX: Analog Voltage Output 1-MX878B
- QuantumX: Digital Dynamic 1-MX460B
- QuantumX: Universal Amplifier 1-MX840B

### Documentation

- CX23-R Data Sheet (English / German) Version 2.2
- CX23-R / EX23-R User Manual Version 8.0
- CX23-R Quick Start Guide Version 3.0
- EX23-R Data Sheet (English / German) Version 1.2 (1.1)
- EX23-R Quick Start Guide Version 1.0
- SomatXR Safety Manual Version 2.1
- SomatXR Accessories Data Sheet (English / German) Version 7.0
- MX1601B-R Data Sheet (English / German) Version 3.0
- MX1609KB-R Data Sheet (English / German) Version 3.0
- MX1615B-R Data Sheet (English / German) Version 4.0
- MX840B-R Data Sheet (English / German) Version 1.0
- MX878B Data Sheet (English / German) Version 2.0
- MX411B-R Data Sheet (English / German) Version 1.0
- MX471B-R Data Sheet (English / German) Version 1.0
- MX Modules User Manual (English / German) Version 5.0
- MX Modules Quick Start Guide (English / German) Version 3.0
- NTX003 Data Sheet Version 1.1
- 1-UPX00x-2 UPS Data Sheet (English / German) Version 2.0
- 1-SCM-R-TCX-2 Data Sheet (English) Version 1.3
- Reference Manual For libsie Version 1.0
- 1-SCM-R-SG120-300-1000-2 Data Sheet Version 1.2
- 1-CON-S3005-2 Adapter Data Sheet Version 1.1
- 1-CASEMOUNT-UMB-2 Data Sheet Version 1.0
- 1-CASEMOUNT2-2/3-2 Data Sheet Version 1.0



### Software Tools / Libraries

- HBM Device Manager v1.0.0.1
- XR Download Manager v1.1.0
- SomatXR Emulator v2.2.0
- libsie SIE library v1.1.5

### Accessories

- Xcode to Xcode Adapter w/Mount 1-CON-S3005-2
- Fastener CaseLink-Rug, 160mmx80mmx12mm 1-CASELINK-RUG-2
- 2 Unit Mounting System, 200mmx130mmx50mm 1-CASEMOUNT2-2
- 3/4 Unit Mounting Syst,295mmx130mmx50mm 1-CASEMOUNT3-2
- Universal Mounting Bracket 1-CASEMOUNT-UMB-2
- Voltage conditioner .3M 840BR adapter 1-SCM-R-VC60-2
- ¼ bridge 1000 .3M 840BR Adapter 1-SCM-R-SG1000-2
- ¼ bridge 350 .3M 840BR adapter 1-SCM-R-SG350-2
- ¼ bridge 120 .3M 840BR adapter 1-SCM-R-SG120-2
- K type thermal couple .3M 840BR adapter 1-SCM-R-TCK-2
- E type thermal couple .3M 840BR adapter 1-SCM-R-TCE-2
- ICP, with BNC .3M 840BR adapter 1-KAB430-0.3
- AC/DC power supply unit (24 V, 120 W) 1-NTX003-2
- Power supply cable (CX23-R to MX module) 1-KAB2110
- Power supply cable (low loss) with exposed wires 1-KAB2115
- Mounting brackets 1-CASEMOUNT
- Ethernet cable (CX23-R / EX23-R to MX module) 1-KAB2100
- Ethernet cable (CX23-R / EX23-R to PC / access point) 1-KAB2106
- Ethernet cable (CX23-R to EX23-R) 1-KAB2107
- Push-pull sensor cable 1-KAB183
- Break away sensor cable 1-KAB184
- Digital I/O cable with exposed wires 1-KAB2101
- GPS/AUX adapter (CX23-R to EGPS-5Hz) 1-KAB2102
- CAN adapter (CX23-R to SomatCR KAB292) 1-KAB2104
- GPS/AUX cable with exposed wires 1-KAB2108
- CAN cable with exposed wires 1-KAB2109
- Precision GPS Receiver-200Hz 1-EGPS-200-B-2
- Precision GPS Receiver-200Hz-PLUS 1-EGPS-200-P-2
- EGPS-200 GPS Antenna 1-EGPS-200-ANT-2
- EGPS-200 GPS Template – RTK 1-EGPS-200-TEM-2
- Trigger Cable for EGPS-200 1-SAC-GPSTRIG-2
- Cable Extensions 1-SAC-EXT-MF



### Accessories (cont'd)

- Full-bridge adapter (to eDAQ M8 connector) 1-KAB2117  
(4 wire - no sense line)
- Quarter-bridge adapter (to eDAQ M8 connector) 1-KAB2118  
(3 wire - no sense line)
- Voltage adapter (to eDAQ M8 connector) 1-KAB2119
- ¼ Bridge Adapter (ODU 14 pin to M8F connector) 1-KAB2122-0.3
- CX23 + eDAQ sync cable (M12 to LEMO) 1-KAB2111-2
- GPS Receiver - 5Hz Update 1-EGPS-5HZ-2
- Pelican Case - eDAQ-lite/SXR 1-PEL1520-2
- Pelican Case - eDAQ/eDAQ-lite/SXR 1-PEL1600-2
- AC/DC Power Supply (24 V, 30 W) ODU 4p 1-NTX002
- Plug (ODU 4p push-pull) 1-CON-P1001
- Power supply (ODU, 5 m, open) 1-KAB294-5
- Connecting elements 1-CASELINK
- Carrying handle 1-CASECARRY
- 4 protective caps for ODU sensors 1-CON-A2013
- 2 protective caps for ODU system 1-CON-A2014
- FireWire ExpressCard adapter 1-IF-002
- FireWire intermodule (ODU, IP68, 2 m) 1-KAB272
- FireWire PC (ODU / FW, IP68, 3 m) 1-KAB276-3
- FireWire (module to PC, IP68, 5 m) 1-KAB293-5
- Ethernet cable (IP65/5m) 1-KAB273-5
- Connector (ODU, 14 pol, IP68) 1-CON-P1007
- Plug (ODU 14p break-away) 1-CON-P1016
- 1-wire-EEPROM DS24B33 1-TEDS-PAK
- 10 Connectors thermo mini (type K, RFID) 1-THERMO-MINI
- QuantumX: UPS 1-UPX001-2
- SomatXR Uninterruptable Power Supply 1-UPX002-2