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Abstract: We perform high-precision frequency measurements in the THz frequency range using an unstabilized femtosecond laser. A simple and flexible algorithm is used to correct the beating signal resulting from the THz source and one comb line of the rectified optical comb for fluctuations of the laser repetition rate. Using this technique, we demonstrate an accuracy of our measurement device as high as (9 3) 10⁻¹⁴ for the measurement of a 100 GHz source. This is two orders of magnitude better than previous precision measurements in this frequency range employing femtosecond lasers.

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