



50 GHz Lightwave Transmitter Modulator for RFoF

OVERVIEW

The Optilab LTC-50 is a high performance Lightwave Transmitter Modulator designed for analog photonics applications from 10 MHz to 50 GHz. This unit includes a 50 GHz optical intensity modulator and an Automatic Bias Control (ABC) board with four different operating modes. The integrated internal DFB laser makes it a versatile solution for RFoF system integration. Contact Optilab for more information.

FEATURES

- 1520 nm to 1610 nm wavelength range
- Automatic Bias Control w/ 4 mode operation
- Internal DFB laser up to 50 mW

• Customizable Options:

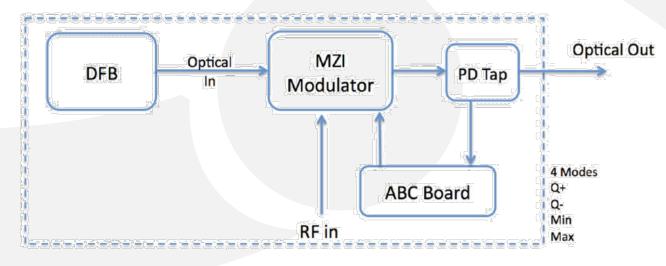
- Low Drive Voltage
- PM output
- High Extinction Ratio (> 30 dB)
- Temp. Qualified (-55°C to +75°C)

USE IN

- Sub-nanosecond pulse generation
- Optical communications to 50 Gb/s
- 43 GHz RFoF transmission

- Analog photonics
- RF/IF signal distribution
- Satellite communication

FUNCTIONAL DIAGRAM







SPECIFICATIONS

GENERAL

Operating Wavelength	1520 nm to 1610 nm	
Laser Source	Internal DFB laser, 1550 ± 10 nm; other wavelengths and narrow linewidth < 1 MHz are available	
Laser Power Level	20, 30, 40, 50 mW	
RF Return Loss	≤ -10 dB @ 20 GHz	
Impedance	50Ω	
Operating Frequency Range	10 MHz to 50 GHz	
Input RF Voltage	27 dBm max.	
Optical Output Level	6.5 dBm typ. With 20 mW DFB	
S21 Bandwidth	29 GHz typ. @ -3 dB, 51 GHz typ. @ -6 dB	
Modulator Bias Mode	4 Automatic bias control modes, selectable by software	
Extinction Ratio	25 dB typ.; > 30 dB (HE version)	
Modulator Voltage V _{Pl}	3 V typ. 📵 10 GHz typ	

MECHANICAL

Operating Temperature (standard) -55 °C to +75 °C Operating Temperature (TQ version) -60 °C to +90 °C Storage Temperature AC Power Cord Power Supply Requirements FC/APC Optical Connector SMF-28 output: PANDA output (PM version) Fiber Type V connector **RF Input Connector** 4 Pin Molex Power Connector (AC Option Available) USB 2.0 software included Remote Control LED bias mode status Alarm 241 mm x 152 mm x 41 mm Dimensions

-30 °C to +60 °C

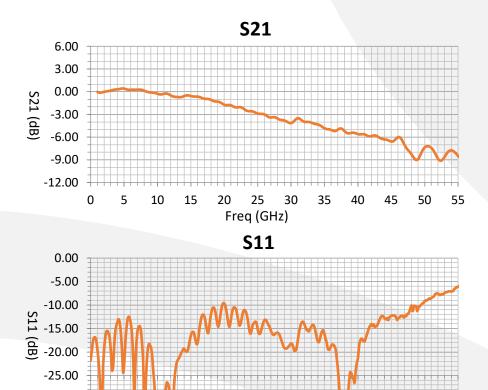
BIAS CONTROL MODE

Mode	Operation Conditions
Q+	Set to quadrature point of positive slope for linear analog modulation
Q-	Set to quadrature point of negative slope for linear analog modulation
Min.	Set to min. point of operation for pulse generation or digital modulation
Max.	Set to max. point of operation for pulse generation or digital modulation









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Freq (GHz)

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BIAS SETTING MODES FOR LTC

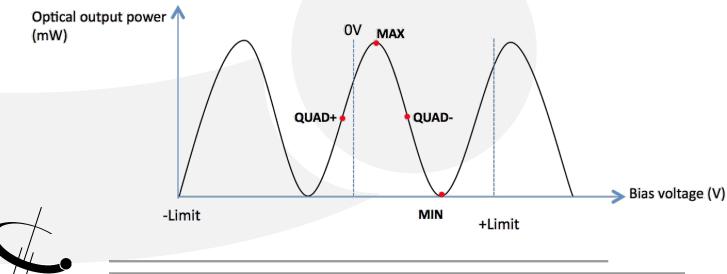
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Based on sophisticated phase measurement of this small dither signal, LTC-50 provides four selectable operating modes: quadrature (Quad +), inverted quadrature (Quad -), minimum (Min), or maximum (Max) points.





ORDERING OPTIONS

LTC-50-XX-YY

XX PM: Polarization Maintaining HE: High Extinction Ratio

YY DC: DC +/- 5V Power Supply (Option 1) AC: AC 100/240 VAC (Option 2)

Option 1 : DC +/- 5V



Option 2: 100/240 VAC



