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HIGH SPEED ELECTRO-OPTIC POLARIZATION CONTROLLER-SCRAMBLER

PRELIMINARY

Features:

- Rapid response time (< 10 µs)
- Linear response
- Solid state crystals
- Low loss
- Flexible configuration
- Compact in size
- Wide operating wavelength
- Long operating lifetime

Applications:

- Polarization scrambling
- · Polarization stabilization and management
- Polarization Mode Dispersion (PMD) mitigation
- Polarization Dependent Loss (PDL) mitigation
- Polarization Dependent Gain (PDG) mitigation
- PDL, DOP, and PMD measurement systems
- Interferometers and sensors
- Fiber lasers
- · Polarization demultiplexing
- Test instrumentation
- OCT systems

Product Description:

OZ Optics' High Speed Electro-Optic Polarization Controller (EOPC) is based on a novel, low-loss high speed free space Electro-Optic crystal technology. It provides a simple, efficient means to quickly manipulate the state of polarization by applying an external voltage. High-Speed polarization state management is enabled using two to four crystals in a row with remarkably low loss, all housed in a compact and robust butterfly package. The device can be offered with 2, 3 or 4 crystals (depending on the customer requirement), and by applying external voltages one can change/manipulate/control the output polarization state. For endless polarization control, a device with 4 crystal elements is required while a 3 elements device will be sufficient for polarization scrambling mode operation. The compact,



motionless and vibration free design allows fast linear response with less than 10 µs response time to the control signal. The controller's rapid response speed easily handles changes in polarization, caused by the external environment, and is highly suitable for polarization controlling and scrambling to either average PDL and PDG effects, or for making PMD, PDL or DOP measurements. This makes it ideal for precise test and measurement applications.

OZ Optics' offers as well a 4-channel driver, The "EOPC-1000-DRIVER-04" is a bench-top entry level module capable of controlling up to four channels Electro-Optic crystal based. The driver module converts the 0.0 to 4.0 Volts input analog control voltage signals to an amplified high-voltage output levels applied to the retardation plates of the (EOPC) crystals.

The "EOPC-1000-DRIVER-04" bench-top module includes the high voltage power supply circuit and the 4-channels high voltage high speed power amplifiers. The Electro-Optic Polarization Controller (EOPC) crystal is inserted on the lockable ZIF socket on top of the module. The simplified block diagram of the "EOPC-1000-DRIVER-04" is shown in the figure below.

Specifications: (tested at 23°C, controlled temperature)

Parameters	Values							
Optical Performances								
Operating Wavelength ¹	1064 nm, 1550 nm, 2000 nm							
	4 stages	3 stages	2 stages					
Insertion Loss (IL) ²	< 1.2 dB	< 1.1 dB	< 1.0 dB					
Polarization Dependence Loss (PDL) ²	< 0.20 dB	< 0.20 dB	< 0.15 dB					
Polarization Mode Dispersion (PMD) ²	< 0.5 ps							
Activation Loss ²	< 0.05 dB Per Channel							
Return Loss ²	> 50 dB							
Optical Power Handling ³	500 mW							
Electrical Performances								
Response Time (Rise/Fall Time) ⁴	< 10 μs							
V_{π} (@room temperature) ⁵	V_{π} < 40 V for 1064 nm, V_{π} < 60 V for 1550 nm							
Modulation Rate (Sinusoid) 6	DC ~ 130 kHz							
Physical/Environmental Performances								
Operating Temperature	0 ~ 80°C							
Storage Temperature	-40 ~ 80°C							
Dimension (L x W x H)	70 mm x 41 mm x 9.5 mm							



Notes

1 Other wavelengths are available and tested with narrow-line width laser diode (DFB)

4 Limited by the driver design.5 Value depends on modulation frequency.

Measured at 1550nm
Higher power version is available.

6 OZ Optics can provide a driver.

Specifications: For EOPC-1000-DRIVER-04

Parameters	Symbol	Min	Тур	Мах	Units
Power Supply Input Voltage	Vin	11	12	13	Volts
Power Supply Input Current At Vin =12 Volts	I_ supply	0.56		3.0	Amp.
Input control voltage: Input-Ch-1 Input-Ch-2 Input-Ch-3 Input-Ch-4	CH-1 CH-2 CH-3 CH-4	0 0 0 0		4.0 4.0 4.0 4.0	Volts
Output Voltage: Out-V1 Out-V2 Out-V3 Out-V4	V1 V2 V3 V4	0 0 0 0		170 170 170 170	Volts
Output Repetition Rate (Full scale) Load capacitance < 1nF		DC		100	KHz
Gain	80				
Rise/Fall time From 0 to 150 Volts		2.5	3	3.5	us
Operating temperature	T_ (amb.)	0	25	40	Deg.C
Storage temperature	T_(sto.)	-40		80	Deg.C
Dimension (LxWxH)		mm			
Weight	768				grams



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Questionnaire For Custom Parts:

- 1. Are you performing polarization scrambling or polarization controlling?
- 2. What is your operating wavelength?
- 3. What type and size of fiber do you want?

- 4. What type of connectors do you need?
- 5. How long should the fibers be?
- 6. What is the fiber jacket OD?
- 7. Do you need an external driver?