



C-Band 40 GHz QPSK (IQ) LiNbO³ Modulator

● Description

GKER 40 GHz QPSK modulator design is based on a dual parallel structure of two Mach-Zehnder modulators (DP-MZM) embedded in a Mach Zehnder Super-Structure. Each internal modulator is designed to have EO bandwidth above 20 GHz. Monitor photodiode is provided for automatic bias control (ABC).

● Key Features

- Nested Mach-Zehnder Modulators
- X-Cut Lithium Niobate
- Operating at 1525 - 1570 nm
- High Bandwidth operating > 30 GHz
- High Extinction Ratio
- Low Optical Insertion Loss
- Excellent Linearity

● Applications

OFDM Coding

QPSK Coding

QAM Coding

CS-SSB (Carrier Suppressed Single Side Band)

FMCW LiDAR

● Absolute Maximum Ratings

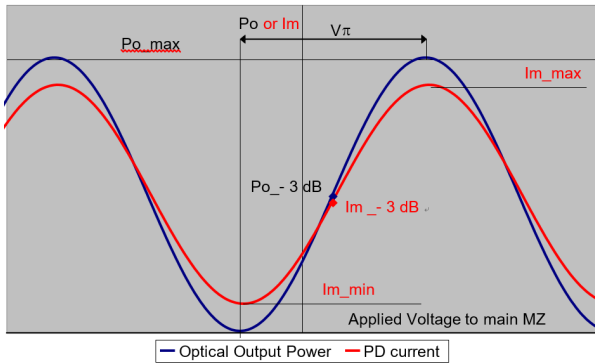
Parameter	Operating Conditions (1)	Min	Max.	Unit
Maximum Input Power (Electrical)	RF port AC coupled	-	10	Vpk-pk
Maximum Input Power (Optical)	CW	-	100	mW
DC Voltage at DC port	-	-40	40	V
Monitor Photodiode Reverse Current	-	-	< 2	mA
Monitor Photodiode Forward Current	-	-	< 10	mA
Monitor Photodiode Reverse Voltage	-	-	< 15	V
Operating Case Temperature	-	-5	+75	°C
Maximum Top Variation Rate	-	-	5	°C/min
Storage Temperature	-	-	+85	°C
Operating Humidity	Non-Condensing	5	85	%
Leads Soldering Temperature	-	-	250	°C
Leads Soldering Time	-	-	10	s

● Specifications

Characterisitcs	Operating Conditions (1)	Min	Typ.	Max	Unit
Optical					
Operating Wavelength Range	-	1525	-	1570	nm
Insertion Loss, IL ²	EOL, - 5 ~ + 75 °C, over C-Band	-	5.0	7.0	dB
Phase-MZI Optical Extinction Ratio	Measured @ DC	24	-	-	dB
RF-MZI Optical Extinction Ratio	Measured @ DC	24	2.9	-	dB
PER	-	20	-	-	dB
Optical Return Loss, RL	Input & Output	40	-	-	dB
Electrical RF Ports					
RF-MZI V _π	@ 1 kHz	-	5.0	7.0	V
RF-MZO - 3 dB E/O Bandwidth	wrt. 2 GHz	20	23	-	GHz
RF-MZI S ₂₁ Flatness	300 MHz - 20 GHz	-1	-	1	dB
Amplitude difference between RF-MZIs (Difference between S _{21s})	-	-1	-	1	dB
RF Delay between RF-MZIs	-	-5	-	5	ps
RF-MZI Electrical Return Loss S ₁₁	40 MHz - 17 GHz 17 GHz - 30 GHz	10 8	12 10	- -	dB
Electrical Bias Ports (4)					
RF MZI Bias V _π Voltage	@ 1 kHz	-	7	8	V
Phase MZI Bias V _π Voltage	@ 1 kHz	-	7	8	V
RF and Phase MZI Bias V _π Voltage variation over Wavelength	C-Band wrt 1550 nm	-5	-	5	%
Bias port impedance	@ DC	1	-	-	MΩ
Monitor Photodiode (5)					
Responsivity (6)	-	20	-	120	mA/W
Linearity	-	-10	-	10	%
Phase Error (7)(8)	PD is not inverting	-5	-	5	Degree



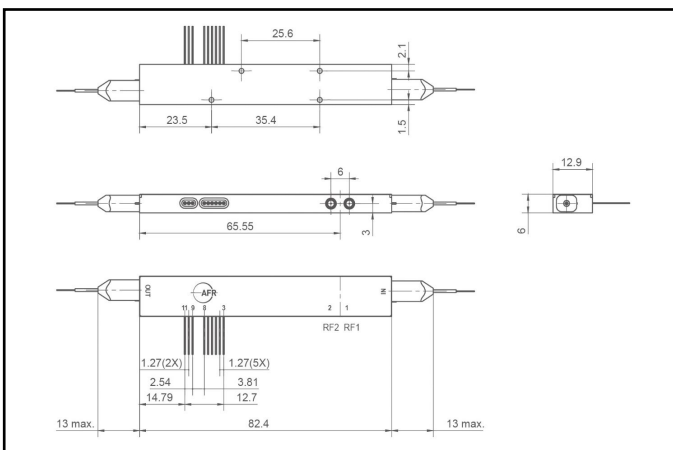
- (1) Top = 25 °C , BOL, wavelength at 1550 m, unless otherwise specified.
- (2) Insertion loss has to be measured at the maximum of the modulator’s transfer function, and exclude connectors
- (3) Test set up to be agreed.
- (4) Each bias section has two control pins: to ensure EOL bias voltage range, during operation, bias electrode of all MZs should be supplied with differential voltage.
- (5) Single PD monitors overall output.
- (6) PD responsivity definition (see also picture below)
 - Inner MZs set to maximum transmission.
 - The voltage is applied to the outer (phase) MZ
 - Responsivity: $R = (I_{m_ - 3\text{ dB}}) / (P_{o_ - 3\text{ dB}})$
 - $I_{m_ - 3\text{ dB}}$ is the photodiode current when output optical power is - 3 dB from maximum.
 - $P_{o_ - 3\text{ dB}}$ is the output optical power at - 3 dB from maximum.
- (7) The PD phase error is the difference (in modulator phase) between the maximum/minimum of the PD output and the maximum/minimum of the modulator optical output.
- (8) PD phase error of $\pm 5^\circ$ correspond to a phase error of $\pm 2.8\%$.



● Pin-Out and Fiber Specifications

RF Connector	SMPM male
Bias Ports	DC pins
Input Fiber	Polarization Maintaining Fiber, PMF - Panda (Corning/Fujikura PM15-U25D), 900 μm
Output Fiber	loose tube, > 1.5 m
Minimum Bending Radius of Fiber	Polarization Maintaining Fiber, PMF - Panda (Corning/Fujikura PM15-U25D), 900 μm loose tube, > 1.5 m 15 mm

● Mechanical Outline



● Pin-Out Information

Pin	Name/Description	Note
1	RF. 1	RF Input (SMPM male)
2	RF. 2	RF Input (SMPM male)
3	BIAS 2+	Bias wrt RF.2 +V
4	BIAS 2-	Bias wrt RF.2 -V
5	BIAS 1+	Bias wrt RF.1 +V
6	BIAS 1-	Bias wrt RF.1 -V
7	Bias PH+	Bias Phase +V
8	Bias PH-	Bias Phase -V
9	PD Cathode	-ve
10	PD Anode	+ve
11	GND	Ground

Note: The pin# 3&4, 5&6, 7&8 pin pair doesn't need to be exact as above table, but any pin pair just need to be of opposite voltage.

● Electrostatic Discharge (ESD)

Caution : Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in electrical component failure



● RoHS Compliance

GKER is fully committed to environment protection and sustainable development and has set in place a comprehensive program for removing polluting and hazardous substrates from all of its products. This product is RoHS compliant.

● Reliability Requirements

This modulator is designed to meet Telcordia GR-468-Core requirements and hermetically sealed.

● Ordering Information:

For more information on this product, optional optical connectors and their availability, please contact your local GKER account manager or GKERTdirectly at sales@GKERPhotonics.com

Product Description	Part Number
40G QPSK, C-Band 40 GHz QPSK (IQ) LiNbO3 modulator (PM fiber, 900 μm loose tube, > 1.5 m, no connectors)	792001590