600 MHz Dual-Balanced InGaAs Low Noise Photodetector

Features

• High transimpedance gain: 3500 V/W (1550 nm)

• Low noise: below -130 dBm/Hz

• NEP: $20 \,\mathrm{pW}/\sqrt{\mathrm{Hz}}$ typ.

• 600 MHz bandwidth

AC coupled; low cutoff below 300 kHz
Wavelength range: 1000 nm to 1700 nm

• Fiber Coupled: FC receptables

• Output: 50Ω SMA plug

• Wide range single supply: 11 to 15 V



• Ultrahigh speed SS-OCT imaging

• Can be used single-ended as well



General Description

The BPD600MA is an AC-coupled high-speed dual-balanced InGaAs photoreceiver. Due to its high transimpedance gain, its very low noise, and its bandwidth of typically 620 MHz, it is ideally suited for future ultrahigh speed swept-source OCT systems with depth scan line rates up to above 1 MHz.

The BPD600MA comes in a rugged aluminum case with two FC fiber receptables and a 50 Ω SMA output. It operates from a single 11–15 V DC supply. OEM versions without a case are available upon request.

Mechanical Properties

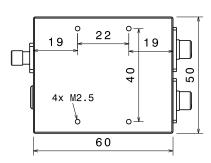
• Fiber coupling: FC receptables for FC/PC and FC/APC connectors

• RF output: SMA (female)

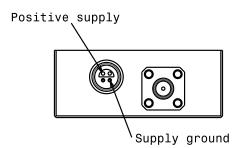
• Supply voltage input: Push-pull LEMO plug (included with diode)

• Small form factor: 50×60×20 mm

Mounting: 4x M2.5 threaded holes on bottom (screw length 4 mm)



Electrical Connectors



Supply connector (front view). The case is electically connected to ground.

There are two types of supply cable, one has 2 wires and one has 5 wires. The corresponding color scheme of these cables is:

Cable type	Positive supply	Supply ground
2-wire	white	brown, shield
5-wire	yellow	grey, shield

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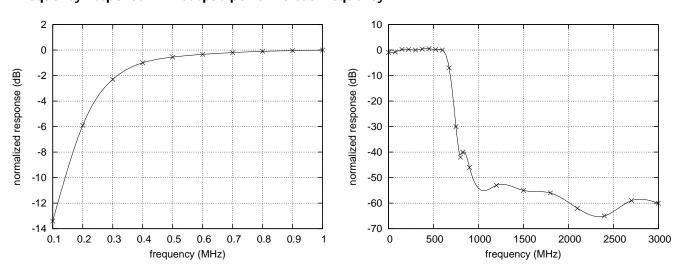
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Specifications

Parameter	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Units
DC Characteristics					
Supply Voltage (V_S)		11		15	V
Supply Current			110		mA
AC Characteristics					
3dB Bandwidth		600	620	670	MHz
AC Low Frequency Cutoff			260	300	kHz
Output IP3			28		dBm
2nd Harmonic	$P_{out} = 0 dBm$		-40		dBc
	$P_{out} = -10\mathrm{dBm}$		-53		dBc
3rd Harmonic	$P_{out} = 0 dBm$		-45		dBc
	$P_{out} = -10dBm$		-47		dBc
Noise Spectral Density	1 MHz – 800 MHz		-130	-125	dBm/Hz
	> 800 MHz			-150	dBm/Hz
Noise Equivalent Power (NEP)	1 MHz – 600 MHz, 1550 nm		20	35	pW/\sqrt{Hz}
Output Impedance			50		Ω
Optical Characteristics					
Input Wavelength Range		1000		1700	nm
Transimpedance Gain	wavelength 1550 nm		3500		V/W_{optic}
	wavelength 1310 nm		3300		V/W_{optic}
Common Mode Rejection Ratio		25	30		dB
Maximum Input Power	(damage threshold)	10			mW

Typical Performance Characteristics

Frequency response: RF output power versus frequency



Test conditions: Light input 100 $\mu\mathrm{W}$ at 1310 nm, modulated via EOM.