

## Data Sheet

### Fast Modulator VFM 1,5-25

#### Features

Drives arbitrary current waveforms into laser diodes  
 CW, pulsed, modulated or mixed curves  
 Very short rise and fall time  
 Enhanced optical performance  
 Two analog inputs plus BIAS current  
 Trigger input  
 Small dimensions, low weight

#### Specification

Diode current CW	0 ... 1,5 A
Diode current pulsed	0 ... 3 A
Diode voltage	0 ... 23 V
Output power	34,5 W max
Power dissipation	30 W max allowed
Supply voltage	1 V ... 24 V
Supply current	1,5 A max
Supply voltage*	3 V ... 6 V
Rise time	26 ns
Fall time	34 ns
Frequency (set point 1)	16 MHz max
Frequency (set point 2)	100 kHz max

#### Inputs

Diode current set point 1	0 ... 500 mV (50 Ohm input)
Diode current set point 2	0 ... 5 V (high impedance)
Trigger	TTL
Enable	TTL
Reset	TTL

#### Outputs

Diode current monitor	0 ... 83 mV (into 50 Ohm)
Temperature	0 ... 4 V for 0 ... 80°C
Ready	TTL

#### General specifications

Ambient temperature	0 ... +45 °C
Cooling	Required
Dimensions	95 x 61 x 20 mm
Weight	240 g
Ordering Code	10100828

\* for internal electronics

#### Description

The fast diode current modulator VFM 1,5-25 is a linear modulator with improved properties for driving arbitrary current waveforms or fast pulses into laser diodes. Current waveforms can be CW, pulsed, modulated or mixed with frequencies up to 16 MHz and currents up to 1,5 A for CW and 3A for pulsed waveforms. The modulator is small and compact and it is designed for mounting with low inductance directly at laser diodes or for integrating in laser diode modules. It has two analogue inputs for the current set point: a high frequency input (50 Ohm input impedance) with a bandwidth of 16 MHz and a low frequency input with a bandwidth of 100 KHz. Additionally there is a 10 turns potentiometer for generating a CW-current (bias current). All set points are added and build the effective current set point. A TTL-Trigger input generates fast and clean pulses at the high frequency set point 1.

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