

**PHOTLINE MODULATOR**



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**FEATURES**


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- High optical power : 100 mW
- High Bandwidth version > 20 GHz
- High stability
- Low  $V\pi$
- Low insertion loss

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**APPLICATIONS**


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- Interferometric based sensor
- Spectral broadening
- Frequency shifting
- Laser combining
- Pound-Drever-Hall locking (PDH)

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**OPTIONS**


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- 20 GHz version
- Hermetic sealing
- 800 nm, 950 nm versions
- High PER
- Lower Insertion Loss < 2.5 dB

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**RELATED EQUIPMENTS**


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- Matched RF amplifiers
- NIR-MX-LN intensity modulators

The Photline NIR-MPX series are phase modulators especially designed to operate in the 1000 nm wavelength band. They are available with various modulation bandwidths, from low frequency to 20 GHz and beyond.

Like all iXBlue Near InfraRed (NIR) modulators, the NIR-MPX series use a proton exchanged based waveguide process that confers them an unparalleled stability even when operating at high optical power. The NIR-MPX phase modulators come with high PER and low IL options.

**NIR-MPX-LN-01 Performance Highlights**

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Operating wavelength	980	-	1150	nm
Electro-optical bandwidth	-	150	-	MHz
$V\pi$ RF @50 kHz	-	2.5	-	V
Insertion loss	-	3	-	dB

Specifications given at 25 °C, 1060 nm

**NIR-MPX-LN-02 Performance Highlights**

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Operating wavelength	980	-	1150	nm
Electro-optical bandwidth	2	-	-	GHz
$V\pi$ RF @50 kHz	-	3	-	V
Insertion loss	-	3	-	dB

Specifications given at 25 °C, 1060 nm

**NIR-MPX-LN-05 Performance Highlights**

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Operating wavelength	980	-	1150	nm
Electro-optical bandwidth	5	-	-	GHz
$V\pi$ RF @50 kHz	-	4.5	-	V
Insertion loss	-	3	-	dB

Specifications given at 25 °C, 1060 nm

**NIR-MPX-LN-10 and NIR-MPX-LN-20 Performance Highlights**

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Operating wavelength	980	-	1150	nm
Electro-optical bandwidth	-	12 / 20	-	GHz
$V\pi$ RF @50 kHz	-	5.5	-	V
Insertion loss	-	3	-	dB

Specifications given at 25 °C, 1060 nm

## NIR-MPX-LN-0.1

### 150 MHz Phase Modulator

#### Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Electro-optic bandwidth	$S_{21}$	RF electrodes, from 2 GHz	-	150	-	MHz
Vπ RF @50 kHz	$V\pi RF_{50 \text{ kHz}}$	RF electrodes	-	2.5	3	V
RF input impedance	$Z_{in-RF}$	-	-	10 000	-	Ω

#### Optical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Crystal	-	-		Lithium Niobate X-Cut Y-Prop		
Waveguide process	-	-		Proton exchange		
Operating wavelength	I	-	980	1060	1150	nm
Insertion loss	IL	Without connectors	-	3	4	dB
Polarization Extinction Ratio	PER	Standard, without connectors	20	-	-	dB
		Optional, w/ or w/o connectors	25	28	-	dB
Optical return loss	ORL	-	-40	-45	-	dB

All specifications given at 25°C, 1060 nm, unless differently specified

#### Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses in excess of the absolute maximum ratings can cause permanent damage to the device. These are absolute stress ratings only. Functional operation of the device is not implied at these or any other conditions in excess of those given in the operational sections of the data sheet. Exposure to absolute maximum ratings for extended periods can adversely affect device reliability.

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
Modulation voltage range	$EV_{in}$	-20	20	V
Optical input power	$OP_{in}$	-	20	dBm
Operating temperature	OT	0	+70	°C
Storage temperature	ST	-40	+85	°C

## NIR-MPX-LN-02

### 2 GHz Phase Modulator

#### Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Electro-optic bandwidth	$S_{21}$	-	2	-	-	GHz
Ripple $S_{21}$	$\Delta S_{21}$	-	-	0.5	1	dB
Electrical return loss	$S_{11}$	-	-	-12	-10	dB
Vπ RF @50 kHz	$V\pi RF_{50\text{ kHz}}$	-	-	3	4	V
RF input impedance	$Z_{in-RF}$	-	-	50	-	$\Omega$

#### Optical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Crystal	-	-		Lithium Niobate X-Cut Y-Prop		
Waveguide process	-	-		Proton exchange		
Operating wavelength	I	-	980	1060	1150	nm
Insertion loss	IL	Without connectors	-	3	4	dB
Polarization Extinction Ratio	PER	Standard, without connectors	20	-	-	dB
		Optional, w/ or w/o connectors	25	28	-	dB
Optical return loss	ORL	-	-40	-45	-	dB

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Parameter	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
RF input power	$EP_{in}$	-	28	dBm
Optical input power	$OP_{in}$	-	20	dBm
Operating temperature	OT	0	+70	°C
Storage temperature	ST	-40	+85	°C

## NIR-MPX-LN-05

### 5 GHz Phase Modulator

#### Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Electro-optic bandwidth	$S_{21}$	-	5	-	-	GHz
Ripple $S_{21}$	$\Delta S_{21}$	-	-	0.5	1	dB
Electrical return loss	$S_{11}$	-	-	-12	-10	dB
Vπ RF @50 kHz	$V\pi RF_{50\text{ kHz}}$	-	-	4.5	5.5	V
RF input impedance	$Z_{in-RF}$	-	-	50	-	$\Omega$

#### Optical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Crystal	-	-		Lithium Niobate X-Cut Y-Prop		
Waveguide process	-	-		Proton exchange		
Operating wavelength	I	-	980	1060	1150	nm
Insertion loss	IL	Without connectors	-	3	4	dB
Polarization Extinction Ratio	PER	Standard, without connectors	20	-	-	dB
		Optional, w/ or w/o connectors	25	28	-	dB
Optical return loss	ORL	-	-40	-45	-	dB

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Parameter	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
RF input power	$EP_{in}$	-	28	dBm
Optical input power	$OP_{in}$	-	20	dBm
Operating temperature	OT	0	+70	°C
Storage temperature	ST	-40	+85	°C

## NIR-MPX-LN-10

### 10 GHz Phase Modulator

#### Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Electro-optic bandwidth	$S_{21}$	-	10	12	-	GHz
Ripple $S_{21}$	$\Delta S_{21}$	-	-	0.5	1	dB
Electrical return loss	$S_{11}$	-	-	-12	-10	dB
$V\pi RF @50 \text{ kHz}$	$V\pi RF_{50 \text{ kHz}}$	-	-	5.5	6.5	V
RF input impedance	$Z_{in-RF}$	-	-	50	-	$\Omega$

#### Optical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Crystal	-	-		Lithium Niobate X-Cut Y-Prop		
Waveguide process	-	-		Proton exchange		
Operating wavelength	I	-	980	1060	1150	nm
Insertion loss	IL	Without connectors	-	3	4	dB
Polarization Extinction Ratio	PER	Standard, without connectors	20	-	-	dB
		Optional, w/ or w/o connectors	25	28	-	dB
Optical return loss	ORL	-	-40	-45	-	dB

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Parameter	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
RF input power	$EP_{in}$	-	28	dBm
Optical input power	$OP_{in}$	-	20	dBm
Operating temperature	OT	0	+70	°C
Storage temperature	ST	-40	+85	°C

## NIR-MPX-LN-20

20 GHz Phase Modulator

### Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Electro-optic bandwidth	$S_{21}$	-	16	20	-	GHz
Ripple $S_{21}$	$\Delta S_{21}$	-	-	0.5	1	dB
Electrical return loss	$S_{11}$	-	-	-12	-10	dB
$V\pi RF @50 \text{ kHz}$	$V\pi RF_{50 \text{ kHz}}$	-	-	5.5	6.5	V
RF input impedance	$Z_{in-RF}$	-	-	50	-	$\Omega$

### Optical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Crystal	-	-		Lithium Niobate X-Cut Y-Prop		
Waveguide process	-	-		Proton exchange		
Operating wavelength	I	-	980	1060	1150	nm
Insertion loss	IL	Without connectors	-	3	4	dB
Polarization Extinction Ratio	PER	Standard, without connectors	20	-	-	dB
		Optional, w/ or w/o connectors	25	28	-	dB
Optical return loss	ORL	-	-40	-45	-	dB

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### Absolute Maximum Ratings

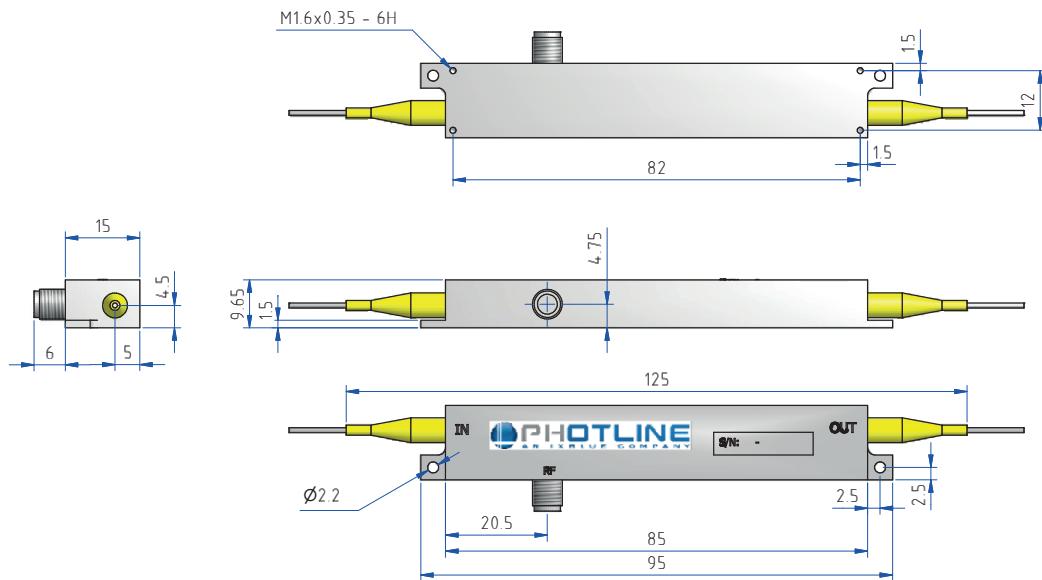
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Parameter	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
RF input power	$EP_{in}$	-	28	dBm
Optical input power	$OP_{in}$	-	20	dBm
Operating temperature	OT	0	+70	°C
Storage temperature	ST	-40	+85	°C

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Mechanical Diagram and Pinout

All measurements in mm



Port	Function	Note
IN	Optical input port	Polarization maintaining fiber, Corning PM 98-U25A, Length 1.5 meter. Buffer diameter 900 µm
OUT	Optical output port	Polarization maintaining fiber, Corning PM 98-U25A, Length 1.5 meter. Buffer diameter 900 µm
RF	RF input port	Wiltron female K

Ordering information

NIR-MPX-LN-XX-Y-Z-AB-CD

XX = Bandwidth : 0.1 150 MHz 02 2 GHz 05 5 GHz 10 10 GHz 20 20 GHz

Y = Input fiber : P Polarization maintaining S Standard single mode

Z = Output fiber : P Polarization maintaining S Standard single mode

AB = Input connector : 00 bare fiber FA FC/APC FC FC/SPC

CD = Output connector : 00 bare fiber FA FC/APC FC FC/SPC

Note : optical connectors are Senko with narrow key or equivalent

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