25 Gbit/s 850-nm VCSEL

VERTICAL-CAVITY SURFACE-EMITTING LASER (VCSEL)



Designed for use in laboratory applications or for test and measurement of 25-Gbit/s datacom devices, the Model 1784 is an 850-nm, 25-Gbit/s, directly modulated, multimode vertical-cavity surface-emitting laser (VCSEL). The Model 1784 uses high-performance microwave circuitry to ensure clean delivery of the electrical input to the VCSEL chip, and the VCSEL's 50- μ m output fiber enables the use of either 50- μ m or 62.5- μ m fiber. The AC-coupled input and internal bias circuitry allows connection to any high-speed 50- Ω SMA-compatible signal source without the need for additional bias circuitry. A 10-position switch allows for optimization of the VCSEL bias for different datacom applications. For applications requiring a receiver, the 22-GHz New Focus Model 1484-A-50 amplified photodiode is ideally suited for use with the Model 1784.

Advantages

- 50-µm fiber connection
- Convenient and easy to use
- Ideal in fiber and breadboard systems for characterizing datacom transceivers

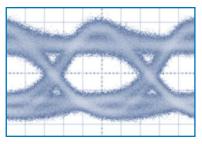
Model 1784		
850 nm		
25 Gbit/s		
800 μW (typical) 750 μW (minimum)		
18 GHz		
10 MHz		
1.0 mW/V (typical) 0.75 mW/V (minimum)		
32 ps (typical) 35 ps (maximum)		
2.3 % (RMS, typical) 2.8 % (RMS, maximum)		
90 Ω		
2.92 mm (Wiltron K), male		
FC/PC		
50 µm multimode		
+/-15 V, 50 mA		
10 °C - 35 °C		
-20 °C - 70 °C		
2 km		

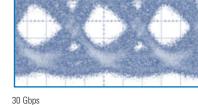
*Input is negative impulse; high/low optical power ratio = 3 dB. Bias setting = 10.



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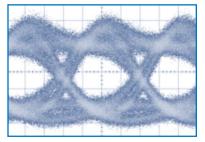
Typical Eye Diagrams





20 Gbps





25 Gbps

35 Gbps

Eye diagrams are a good measure of system performance. The quality of the eye diagram will show if your source has good timing, power levels, proper synchronization, and long-term reliability. If the opening of the eye is larger it gives better certainty that, when the data is sampled, it is a 1 (top of the eye diagram) or a 0 (bottom of the eye diagram). We repeatedly sampled our VCSEL over a period of time at various speeds to obtain the eye diagrams shown above. By pairing Model 1784 VCSEL with Model 1484-A-50 photoreceiver, you can create your own baseline eye diagrams. With that baseline you can insert an optical component between the VCSEL and photoreceiver to test how they would affect data transmission.

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