

Laser Pulse Selection Systems



For many years Lambda Photometrics have represented Conoptics Inc. in the UK and Ireland. Conoptics manufacture a line of solutions for laser modulation, beam deflection, noise reduction and optical isolation, together with associated driver electronics and accessories.

Conoptics has developed a complete line of Pulse Selection Systems for use with Ti:Sapphire, YAG, YLF and OPOs from 350nm-to 1600nm. Customised options are also available.

The Conoptics Pulse Selection System is designed to interface with applications utilising pulsed lasers up to



- Select from single pulse to 30MHz for mode locked lasers
- Rep. Rate: up to 30MHz
- Transmission: >85%
- 18ns min. pulse width, measured at zero
- No limit on pulse width
- Rise/Fall Time: 8ns
- Centre in and Centre out operation.
 No offset or angular change
- No spatial dispersion

100MHz and different wavelength ranges are accommodated by selecting the correct modulators from the table below.

A synchronous countdown unit, the **M305**, receives the free-run laser reference frequency output and allows the user to divide this pulse rate by any integer from 2 to 1,000,000. Pulse bursts, single shot and free-run selection is also available.

The pulse-pick signal from the **M305** is used as a modulation input to the **M25D** digital driver which supplies the required drive voltages to the modulator cell.

Associated Electro-Optic Modulators

Ti:Sapphire(350nm-to-500nm)	Model 350-105 KD*P Series Modulator
Ti:Sapphire(700nm-to-1064nm)	Model 350-160 KD*P Series Modulator
OPO™s (1000nm-to-1600nm)	Model 360-120 LTA Modulator
YAG Laser (1064nm)	Model 360-80 LTA Modulator
YLF Laser (1300nm)	Model 360-120 LTA Modulator

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Associated Amplifiers

Model	Bandwidth	Rise/Fall Time	Max. Voltage	Drive Configuration	Output
25D	DC-to-30MHz	8ns	175	100ohms B.L.	Digital
50	DC-to-50MHz	7ns	90	50ohms B.L.	Analogue
100	DC-to-100MHz	3.5ns	90	50ohms B.L.	Analogue
307A	DC-to-50KHz	8ns	800	LC	Digital

Associated Countdown Electronics Model 305 Synchronous Countdown System:

Input Clock Rate	Mode Locker Input, 10MHz Min, 70MHz Max External Input, 10Hz min, 140MHz Max
Countdown Range	F(clock)/2 min, f(clock)/1*10^6 max
Input-Output Jitter	<100ps, any count
Input Requirements	1. Mode Locker Input sine wave, -6dbm min (112mv RMS), +15dbm, ax (1.3v RMS), Zi=50ohms
	2. External Input – 100mv peak min, 1.5ns min pulse width. +/- 2v peak max. Zi=50ohms
	3. Gate Input = TTL levels, min width one clock period. Burst ends one count after negative edge of gate input signal. Zi=50ohms
	4. Single Shot Input = TTL levels, 10ns min pulse width. Zi=50ohms.
Delay	Variable – 0-to-8ns, 7bit digital delay line. 62ps min resolution. Controlled by linear, single turn front panel control.
	Fixed – 8ns Switch selectable on front panel (in/out)
Outputs	TTL – 50 ohm line driver, Voh type 2.5v into 50ohm load. Pulse width 1us type (Pulse with is set internally by discrete components). Tr, Tf, <3ns type Analog – TrTf, <2ns, Unipolar 0-to-+1v fixed amplitude.Designed to drive DC coupled 50ohm load to ground. Pulse width – 8ns, set internally by 50ohm coax delay line.Sync – 50ohm TTL line driver, 1.3v into 50ohms. Negative edge.
Threshold Adjustment	+/- 200mv applied to input comparator via single turn front panel control.
Input Power	85-250VAC, 47-63Hz, 50W
Dimensions	133 H x 430 W x 343 D mm. Rack Mountable. 5.25" x 16.88" x 13.5"
Weight	Net 6.8Kg, (15lbs)

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Detected Output

Images below taken from Mira900 Ti: Sapphire 80MHz and Conoptics Model 25D Driver, Model 305 Synchronous Countdown System and Model 350-160 EOM.



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