Precision Pulse Control
The PCM-7140 is a compact pulsed current source designed to drive laser diodes, bars, arrays, or any low-impedance load. The key specifications are output current from 1 A to 10 A, rise and fall times below 10 µs at 10 A, pulse widths from 3 µs to 100% duty cycle, pulse repetition rates from single shot to 100 kHz, and forward voltage from 0 V to 60 V.

System Operation
The PCM-7140 output current may be set with an internal potentiometer or an external analog voltage. The pulse width is controlled with an external trigger source.

The system requires two DC supplies for operation: 12 V for housekeeping and a voltage ≤ 10 V above the laser diode’s forward voltage.

Input / Output Cable
The laser or load is connected to the PCM-7140 with a 100 cm length of 18 AWG twisted pair cable (included). This same cable has the DC input connection from the high voltage power supply.

Liquid Cooling
The PCM-7140 module is liquid cooled with a liquid temperature of 11 °C to 22 °C with a flow rate of 6 liters per minute. The connection type is 3/8” tubing.

Ordering Information
PCM-7140  
PCM-7140 Pulser  
DC Input / Output Cable  
Load Board  
Control Board  
Control Signal Cable

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### Pulse Amplitude

- **Output current range:** 1 A to 10 A
- **Setpoint accuracy:** ±1% of full-scale current
- **Current overshoot:** ≤ 5%
- **Current rise/fall time:**
  - ≤ 12 µs : 1 A to 3 A
  - ≤ 3 µs : 3.01 A to 5 A
  - ≤ 2 µs : ≥ 5.01 A

### Trigger (J3-Pin 6)

- **Frequency range:** ≤ 100 kHz * See Frequency graphs on next page
- **100% Duty Cycle:** ≤ 10 A * High Voltage = VForward + 5 V
- **Input voltage levels:**
  - 0 V, output off
  - 5 V, output on
- **Termination impedance:** 50 Ω
- **Trigger pulse width:** 3 µs to 100% Duty Cycle
- **Delay (external to output):** ≤ 1 µs (typical)

### Current Setpoint Control (J3-Pin 4)

- **Input voltage levels:**
  - 5 V or open: internal potentiometer control
  - 0 V: external control
- **Termination impedance:** 9,000 Ω
- **Response time on change:** ≤ 0.5 µs

### Analog Current Setpoint (J3-Pin 5)

- **Input voltage levels:**
  - 0 V to 2.048 V
  - 0.000 V: 0 A output
  - 2.000 V: 10 A output
- **Termination impedance:** >19 kΩ
- **Response time on change:** ≤ 0.5 µs

### Current Monitor (J2)

- **Current monitor:**
  - 0 V to 0.300 V
  - 10 A output current: 0.210 V (typical)
- **Current monitor termination:** 50 Ω
- **Current monitor connector:** SMB

### Control Signal Connector (J3)

- **Connector:** Molex #70553-0110
- **Pin 1:** 12 V DC
- **Pin 2:** Return
- **Pin 3:** Return
- **Pin 4:** Current setpoint control
- **Pin 5:** Analog current setpoint
- **Pin 6:** Trigger

### Liquid Cooling

- **Input Temperature:** 11 °C to 22 °C
- **Flow Rate:** 6 liters/minute
- **Connection:** 3/8" tubing, McMaster-Carr # 9336T2

### 12 V Power Specifications (J3-Pin 1)

- **Voltage requirements:** 12 V DC ± 5%
- **Current requirements:** 0.100 A

### DC Input / Output Connector (J1)

- **Connector:** TE AMP Connector 1-770974-0
- **Output +:** Pins 1, 2, 3, 4
- **Output –:** Pins 9, 10, 11, 12
- **DC Input +:** Pins 13, 14, 15, 16
- **DC Return:** Pins 5, 6, 7, 8

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