PCM-7140 10A Pulsed Current Source — Datasheet





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 μ s at 10 A, pulse widths from 3 μ s 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 \leq 10 V above the laser diode's forward voltage.

Input / Output Cable

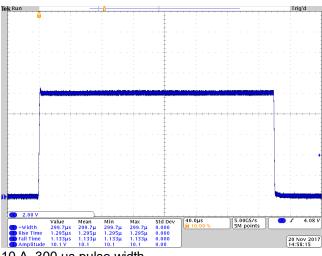
The laser or load is connected to the PCM-7140 with a 100 cm length of 18 AWG twisted pair cable (included). This same cable has the DC input connection from the high voltage power supply.

Liquid Cooling

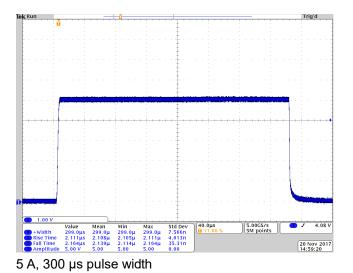
The PCM-7140 module is liquid cooled with a liquid temperature of 11 °C to 22 °C with a flow rate of 6 liters per minute. The connection type is 3/8" tubing.

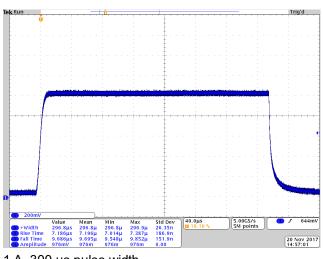
Ordering Information

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



10 A, 300 µs pulse width





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Output current range Setpoint accuracy Current overshoot

Current rise/fall time

1 A to 10 A ±1 % of full-scale current ≤ 5 %

≤ 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% Duty Cycle Input voltage levels

≤ 100 kHz * See Frequency graphs on next page ≤ 10 A * High Voltage = VForward + 5 V 0 V, output off 5 V. output on

Termination impedance

Trigger pulse width

Delay (external to output)

Current Setpoint Control (J3-Pin 4)

50 Ω

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

> 0.000 V: 0 A output 2.000 V: 10 A output

≤ 1µs (typical)

3 µs to 100% Duty Cycle

Analog Current Setpoint (J3-Pin 5) 0 V to 2.048 V

Input voltage levels

Termination impedance Response time on change

Current Monitor (J2) 0 V to 0.300 V

Current monitor

Current monitor termination Current monitorconnector

SMB

50 O

>19 kΩ

≤ 0.5 µs

Connector

Control Signal Connector (J3) 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: Triager

10 A output current: 0.210 V (typical)

Liquid Cooling

Input Temperature Flow Rate Connection

11 °C to 22 °C 6 liters/minute 3/8" tubing, McMaster-Carr # 9336T2

12 V Power Specifications (J3-Pin 1)

Voltage requirements Current requirements

12 V DC ± 5% 0.100 A

DC Input / Output Connector (J1)

Connector Output + Output -

TE AMP Connector 1-770974-0 Pins 1, 2, 3, 4 Pins 9, 10, 11, 12

DC Input + DC Return

Pins 13, 14, 15, 16 Pins 5, 6, 7, 8

DC Input Power Specifications 5 V DC to 75 V DC (Max) (load +10 V)

High voltage range Current requirements

12.0 A High Voltage requirements

Output Current 1 A to 10 A 0 A to 10 A

Forward voltage + 10 V DC ± 5%*1 100% Duty Cycle VForward +5 V DC

^{*1} Operation of instrument outside of this voltage can cause permanent damage to the instrument and/or load. Do not exceed 75 V DC.

General

Size (HxWxD) Weight

0.635 kg 6-32

8.3 cm x 11.0 cm x 13.75 cm

Mounting screw size Mounting hole placement See Manual Operating temperature 10°C to 40°C Cooling Liquid cooled

Notes

The PCM-7140 current source meets or exceeds these specifications.

All specifications are measured with 100 cm of 18 AWG twisted pair wire connecting the PCM-7140 to a low impedance/inductance load (HPL-2400).

Specifications subject to change without notice.

Control Board



Load Board









Safe Operating Area Graphs

