Technical Bulletin

VMC-2010

VME-Based Telemetry Combiner

Ground Products/Microdyne



FEATURES

- Compact VME-Based Simultaneous Pre and Post Detection Combining
- Combiner systems can provide a +9 dB link margin over a single channel system
- Optimal Ratio Combining with AM + AGC Control for high fade rate performance
- Wide bandwidth input works with all receiver 20 MHz IF bandwidths
- Unit has automatic Pre-D input level adjustment
- Processes PCM/FM NRZ-L Data Rates from 50 kbps to greater than 7 Mbps
- Compatible with VMR-2000 Receivers
- Complete Remote Control with Extensive Status Functions
- CE Certified as Compliant to 89/336/EEC
- Field Proven Design

DESCRIPTION

The VMC-2010 VME-Based Telemetry Combiner is designed to work with two VMR-2000 Receivers and provide the user with Optimal Ratio simultaneous Pre and Post Detection Combining.

Applications include all types Combining such as Polarization, Space, and Frequency Diversity. An integral dual bandwidth FM Demodulator handles data rates from 50 kbps to over 7.0 Mbps.

The unit provides up to +3dB static S/N improvement with equal input S/N ratios.



Specifications

| General | Simultaneous Pre and Post Detection Dual Channel Combiner, AGC Controlled, including an integral AM AGC system to maintain optimal ratio combining at extremely fast fade rates |
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| Combiner Mode Selection | onDual Channel Optimal Ratio, Optimal Select (Selects the strongest Ch 1 or Ch 2), Channel 1 only select, and Channel 2 only select |
| Signal-to-Noise Improve | |
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| Unequal S/N ratios | S/N Combined = 10 log (Pr 1 + Pr 2)5 dB, Pr 1 and Pr 2 = C/N power ratio in each Channel |
| Common Mode Rejection | n/ |
| | Less than .5 dB variation in output with variations of AGC inputs over their full range |
| AGC Control Input | 0 to -5.0 Vdc, Ch 1 pin 3, Ch 2 pin 4 of front panel D connector, 10k ohm input Impedance |
| AGC Input Slope | |
| AGC Control | AGC Level control is programmable and monitored on the status bus |
| Combined AGC | Output on pin 7 of front panel D connector, Level 0 to -5 Vdc, Maximum load 1k ohm or greater |
| Post Detection Combine | |
| Input / Output Frequency. | |
| Input Level | |
| Input / Output Monitor | Ch 1, Ch 2, & Comb Level on status bus |
| Output Level Control | The Output Level Programmable in 1 dB steps 0 to 20 dB |
| Input / Output Connector . | SMA female, two each one for Ch 1 and Ch 2 |
| Input / Output Impedance | |
| Output Level | |

| Pre-Detection Combiner Mode | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Input/Output Frequency | 20.0 MHz, Input Bandwidth = | | |
| | 12 MHz | | |
| Input Level | -10 dBm ±5 dB | | |
| Input Impedance | 50 ohms, VSWR 2.1:1 Maximum | | |
| Input Connector | SMA female, two each one for | | |
| | Ch 1 and Ch 2 | | |
| Combined IF Output | 20 MHz at -10 dBm | | |
| Output Connector | SMA female, 50 ohms, VSWR | | |
| | 2.1:1 Maximum | | |
| Tracking Range | ±50 kHz sweep and tracking | | |
| | range | | |
| Demodulation | Demodulator (FM only) | | |
| | Dual Bandwidth, Med. and | | |
| | Wide Selectable | | |
| Demodulation Response | 5 MHz analog, 7 Mbps PCM/FM | | |
| | NRZ-L codes | | |
| Video Output Level | 4 Vpp Max. adjustable over 63 dB | | |
| | in 1 dB steps | | |
| Video Output Impedance | 75 ohms unbalanced | | |

Front Panel SMA Female

Single Output Customer

±90% of Center Frequency

Specified

2 Vpp, minimum

75 Ohms

Typical

| 1 Z 1 V I I Z | 0 |
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| -10 dBm ±5 dB | S |
| 50 ohms, VSWR 2.1:1 Maximum | Lo |
| SMA female, two each one for | 0 |
| Ch 1 and Ch 2 | R |
| 20 MHz at -10 dBm | |
| SMA female, 50 ohms, VSWR | P |
| 2.1:1 Maximum | VI |
| ±50 kHz sweep and tracking | Si |
| range | 0 |
| Demodulator (FM only) | St |
| Dual Bandwidth, Med. and | 0 |
| Wide Selectable | St |
| 5 MHz analog, 7 Mbps PCM/FM | 0 |
| NRZ-L codes | |
| 4 Vpp Max. adjustable over 63 dB | |
| in 1 dB steps | |
| 75 ohms unbalanced | |
| AC or DC programmable | |
| Four Selectable plus Bypass. | |
| Bandwidth determined by IF | |
| bandwidth or customer specified | |
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| Ch 1 LED Ch 2 LED Comb LED Select LED Lock LED OPR LED RFI/EMI | Channel 1 selected for output Channel 2 selected for output Combined selected for output Best Signal Selected for output Pre-D Combiner is phase locked Not used CF certified and tested to: |
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| RFI/EIVII | 89/336EEC |
| Power Consumption VME Communications Size | 25 Watts Typical A16/D08(EO) Register-Based Single Slot 6U, "B" size card |
| Operating Temperature | 0 to +50°C |
| Storage Temperature | -55 to +65°C |
| Operating Altitude | To 15,000 feet |
| Storage Altitude | To 50,000 feet |
| Operating Humidity | Up to 95% non-condensing |

| Monitor & Control Functions | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Combiner | Ch 1/Ch 2 | Combined | | |
| Mode Select | AGC Level | AGC Level | | |
| Post-D | Ch 1/Ch 2 | Post-D Comb | | |
| Video Out | Post-D Video Levels | Video Output | | |
| Pre-D | Demodulator | Demodulator Video | | |
| Combiner Lock | Video Bandwidth | Bandwidth Level | | |
| Internal/External | Demodulator | FM Demod | | |
| Demodulator Select | Video Polarity | Auto Zero | | |
| Auto/Manual | Demodulator | Demodulator | | |
| Video DC Offset | Video Coupling | Deviation Monitor | | |
| | Demodulator Tuning Meter | Demodulator FM Bandwidth | | |



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Video Output Coupling

Video Output Connector

Pre-D Output Impedance Pre-D Output Level

Pre-D Record Output

Pre-D Data Bandwidth

Frequency

Video Output Filters