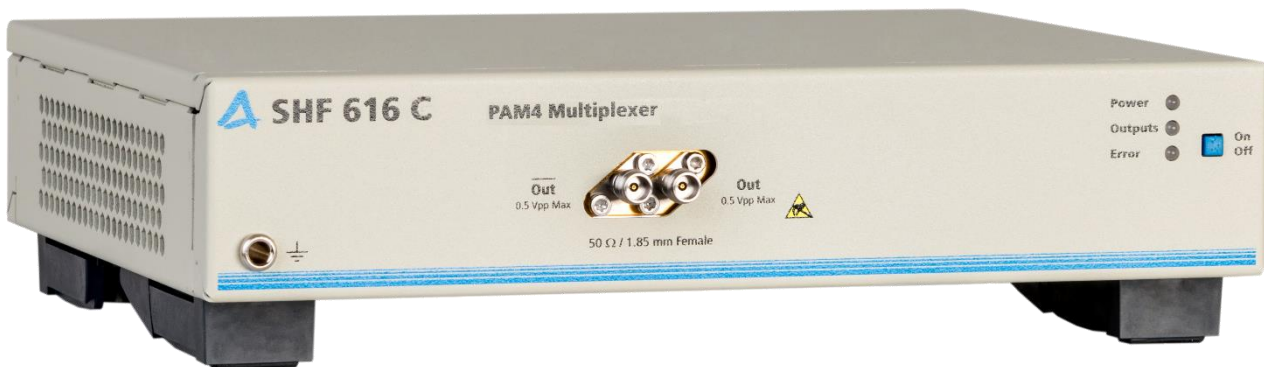


Data Sheet

SHF 616 C



128 GBaud

PAM4 Multiplexer



Description

The SHF 616 C is a PAM4 Multiplexer operating at PAM4 baud rates up to 128 GBaud (256 Gbps) for use in broadband test setups and telecom transmission systems.

The SHF 616 C is driven by four single ended serial NRZ data streams. Each two of these signals are multiplexed to two binary data streams of double the speed. These two high speed signals are internally combined to one differential PAM4 signal. With a programmable SHF BPG (e.g. the SHF 12105 A) you have full control of the patterns into the PAM4-MUX. The SHF Control Center (SCC) software package unifies the BPG to PAM4-MUX combination to virtually one 128 GBaud PAM4-Bit Pattern Generator. A typical setup is shown in the figure 1 below.

A single ended clock signal with a frequency equivalent to the input data rate is required to drive the SHF 616 C. For data regeneration purposes all input data signals are re-sampled to mitigate any signal impairments resulting e.g. from long cables. Therefore, it is possible to place the PAM4-MUX very close to the DUT. Clock input port is AC-coupled. Data input and output ports are DC-coupled.

Features

- Broadband operation up to 128 GBaud
- Differential data output, 0.8 V differential output swing (0.4 V in single-ended operation)
- Single ended clock and data inputs
- Latched (re-timed and re-shaped) input ports
- Output amplitude, output bandwidth & input threshold level control (remote by software)

Applications

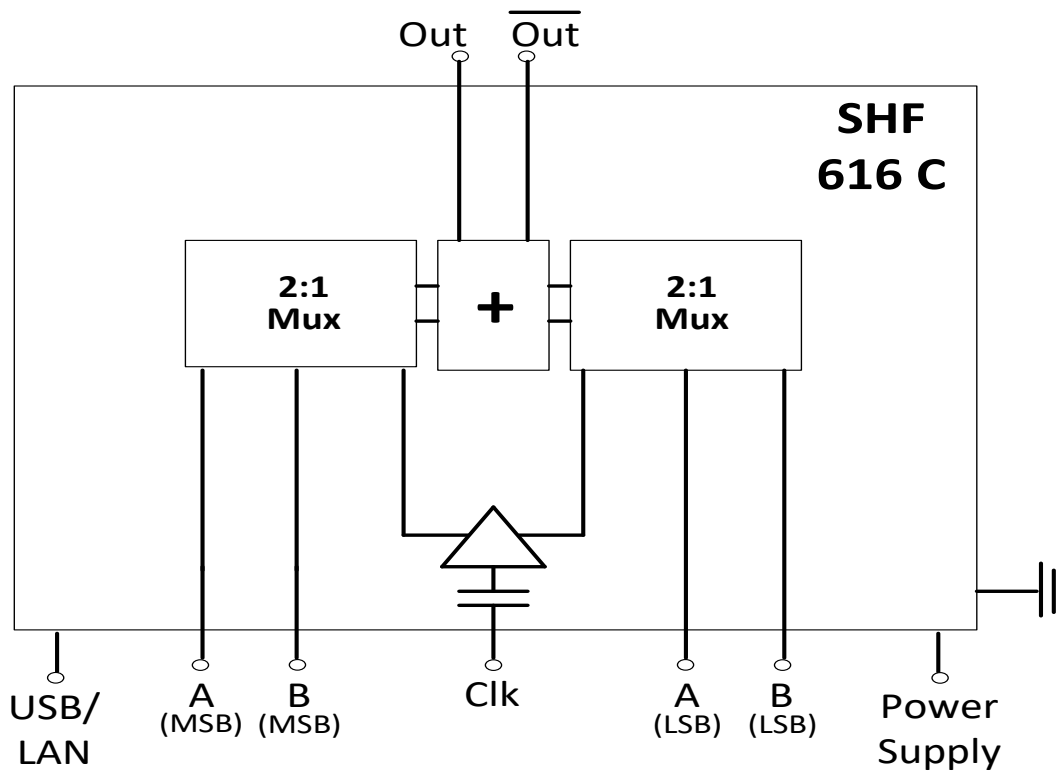
- 100G, 200G and 400G system evaluation & development
- Broadband test and measurement equipment
- PAM4 and Advanced Modulation Experiments

Available Option

- WF: 1.0 mm female connectors at the data output ports instead of 1.85 mm connectors



Block Diagram



Ease of Use

Housed in a small benchtop case, this remote head can be easily embedded in the customer's test environment close to the DUT.



Fig. 1: Typical setup with SHF clock source, SHF BPG and the PAM4-MUX

The easy to use software package, SHF Control Center (SCC) is the most convenient way to control the MUX. The software reads the individual calibration tables of the multiplexers and sets the contribution of the bias voltages accordingly. The rise and fall time (trim) and the symmetry of the output signal can be adjusted and is displayed in the graphical user interface (GUI). The duty cycle (clock bias) of the multiplexer stages as well as the input threshold level for the DC-coupled data inputs can be set. This enables the user to generate a perfect signal just by a few intuitive clicks.

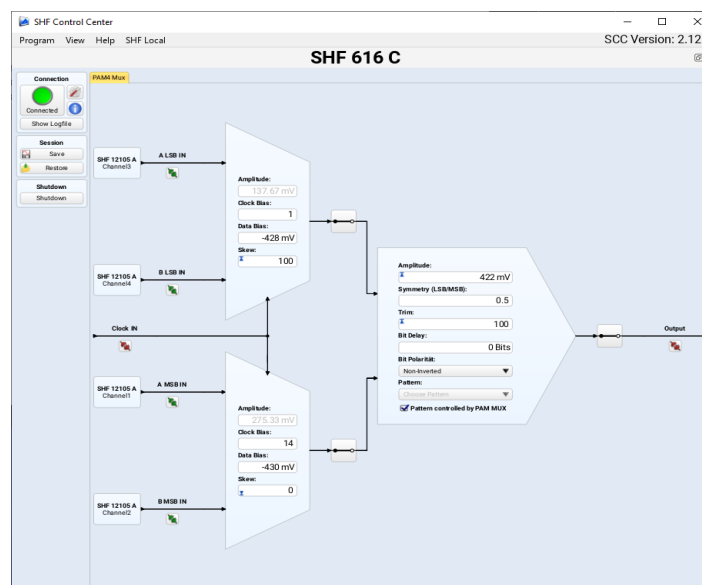


Fig. 3: SHF Control Center – GUI for the SHF 616 C



Specifications

Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter | Unit | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Comment |
|--|------|----------------|------|-----|------|-------------------|
| Data Input Voltage | mV | $V_{data\ in}$ | | | 900 | Peak-to-Peak |
| Clock Input Voltage | mV | $V_{clk\ in}$ | | | 900 | Peak-to-Peak |
| External DC Voltage on RF Clock Input Port | V | V_{DCin} | -10 | | +10 | AC coupled ports |
| External DC Voltage on RF Data Input Ports | V | V_{DCin} | -0.6 | | +0.1 | DC coupled inputs |
| DC Supply Voltage | V | V_{cc} | | | 13 | |

Input Parameters

| Parameter | Unit | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Comment |
|--|------|----------------|-----------------|-----|-----|-------------------|
| Min. Input Data Rate | Gbps | $R_{in,min}$ | | | 1.5 | |
| Max. Input Data Rate | Gbps | $R_{in,max}$ | 64 ¹ | | | |
| Data Input Voltage | mV | $V_{data\ in}$ | 300 | | 800 | Eye amplitude |
| External DC Voltage on RF Data Input Ports | V | V_{DCin} | -0.5 | | 0 | DC coupled inputs |
| Min. Clock Input Frequency | GHz | $f_{in,min}$ | | | 1.5 | |
| Max. Clock Input Frequency | GHz | $f_{in,max}$ | 64 | | | |
| Clock Input Voltage | mV | $V_{clk\ in}$ | 300 | | 800 | Peak-to-Peak |
| External DC Voltage on RF Clock Input Port | V | V_{DCin} | -9 | | +9 | AC coupled input |

¹ The upper baud rate limit is defined by the absence of errors ($BER < 10^{-12}$) of a NRZ output generated with the MSB + LSB bit synchronized. The PAM4-MUX operates beyond this limit as shown in the typical eye diagrams on page 9



Output Parameters

| Parameter | Unit | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Comment |
|-----------------------------|-------|---------------|------------------|------------|-----|---|
| Min. Output Data Rate | GBaud | $R_{out,min}$ | | | 3 | |
| Max. Output Data Rate | GBaud | $R_{out,max}$ | 128 ² | | | |
| Output Voltage ³ | mV | V_{out} | 430 350 | 470 420 | | ≤ 100 GBaud > 100 GBaud Eye amplitude; Single ended; DC coupled; Full scale; Adjustable up to -6 dB |
| Rise / Fall Time | ps | t_r / t_f | | 5 | 6 | 20%...80%; Full scale; deconvolved ⁴ |
| Equivalent Output Bandwidth | GHz | BW | 37 | 44 | | Derived from Rise Time using formula ⁵ ; -3 dB bandwidth |
| Differential Output Skew | ps | t_{skew} | | 1 | 2 | |

Power Requirements

| Parameter | Unit | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Comment |
|-------------------|------|----------|-------|------|-------|----------------------|
| Supply Voltage | V | V_{cc} | +11.5 | +12 | +12.5 | 2.1 mm DC Power Jack |
| Supply Current | A | I_{cc} | | 950 | 1050 | |
| Power Dissipation | W | P_d | | 11.4 | 12.6 | @ $V_c = +12 V$ |

Mechanical Characteristics

| Parameter | Unit | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Comment |
|------------|------|--------|-----|------|-----|------------------------------------|
| Dimensions | mm | | | | | See Outline Drawing on pages 12-13 |
| Weight | g | | | 1700 | | |

Conditions

| Parameter | Unit | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Comment |
|-----------------------|------|---------------|-----|-----|-----|---------|
| Operating Temperature | °C | $T_{ambient}$ | 15 | | 35 | |

² The upper baud rate limit is defined by the absence of errors (BER < 10⁻¹²) of a NRZ output generated with the MSB + LSB bit synchronized. The PAM4-MUX operates beyond this limit as shown in the typical eye diagrams below.

³ During start up / shut down of the SHF 616 C and turning on / off the RF outputs, voltage spikes up to +0.7 V can occur at the data output ports

⁴ Calculation based on typical rise / fall times from oscilloscope data sheet and with a NRZ output generated by bit synchronization of the MSB + LSB

$t_{r\ deconvolved} = \sqrt{(t_{r\ measured})^2 - (t_{r\ oscilloscope})^2} = \sqrt{(t_{r\ meas.})^2 - (3.68\ ps)^2}$

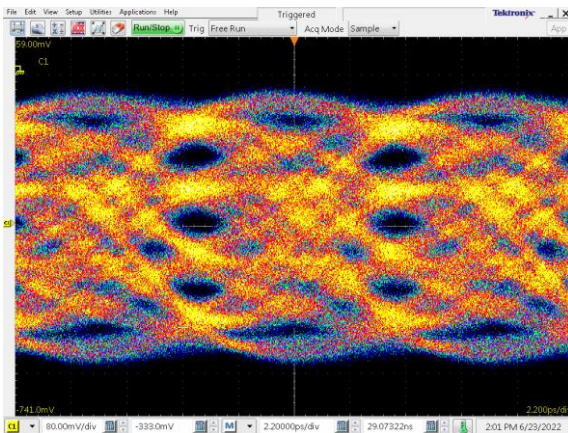
⁵ Calculation based on formula: $BW = \frac{0.22}{T_r}$



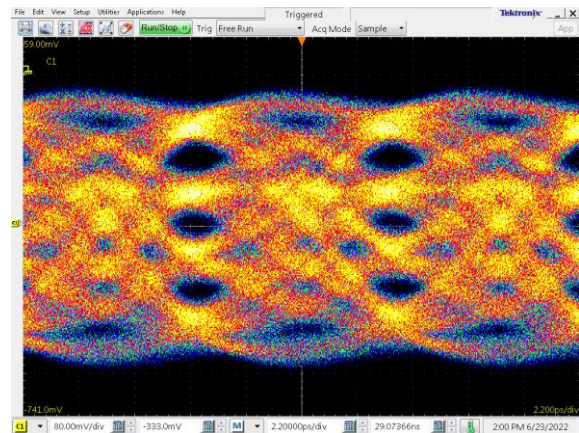
Typical Output Eye Diagrams

PAM4 Output Signal Measurement

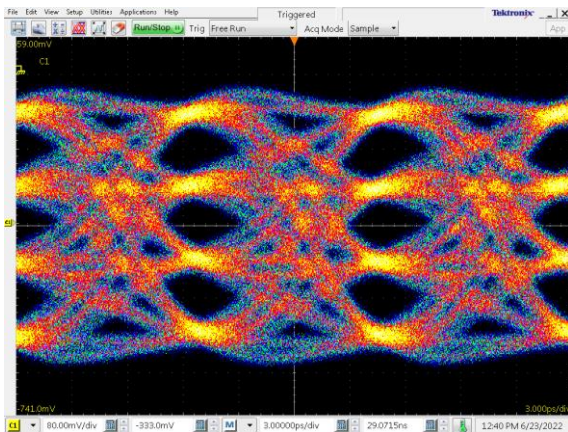
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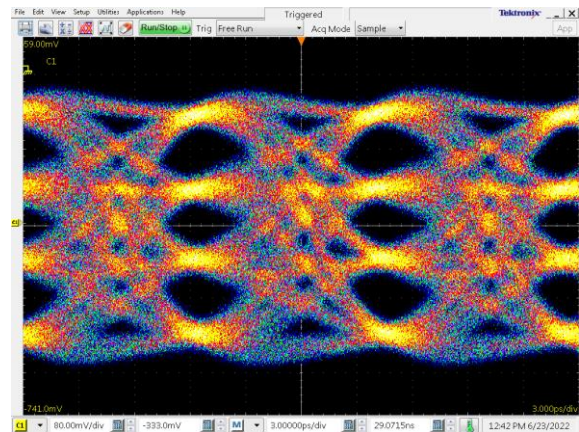
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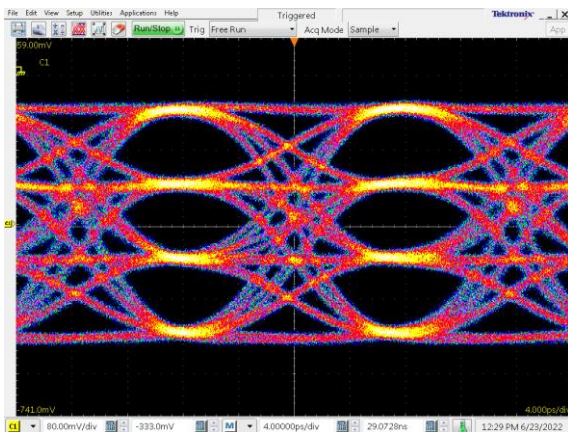
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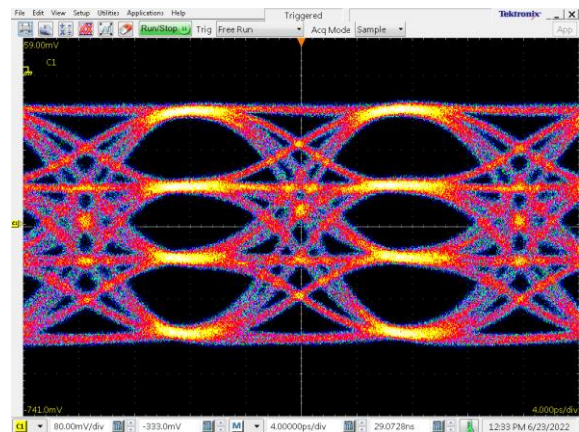
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Out! @ 100 GBaud (Trim=100)



Out @ 64 GBaud (Trim=25)

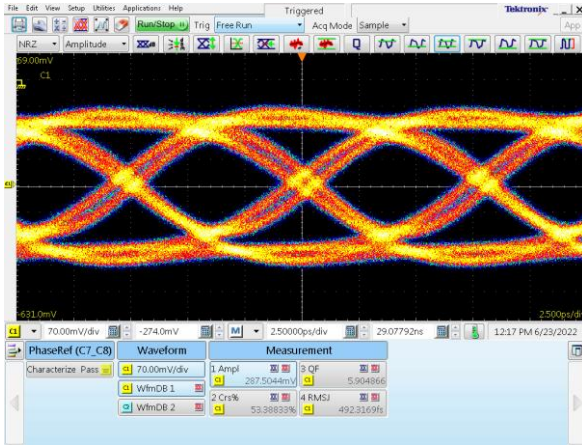


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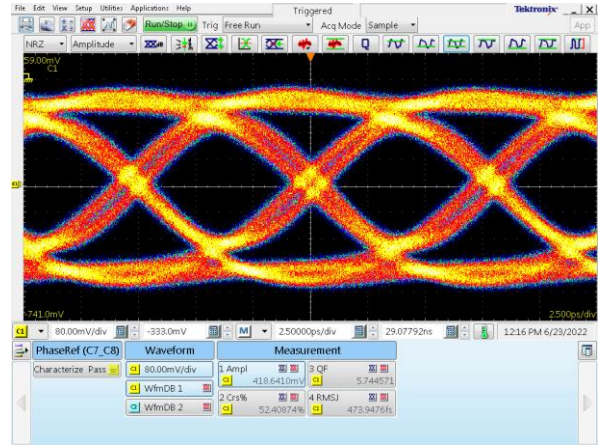
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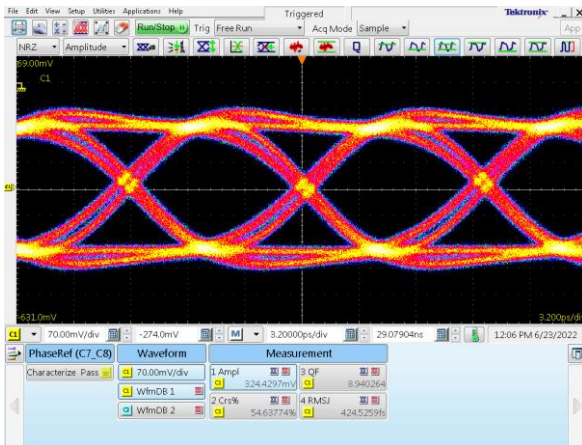
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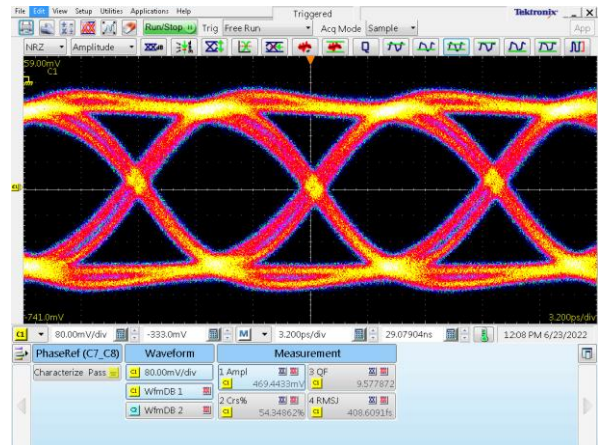
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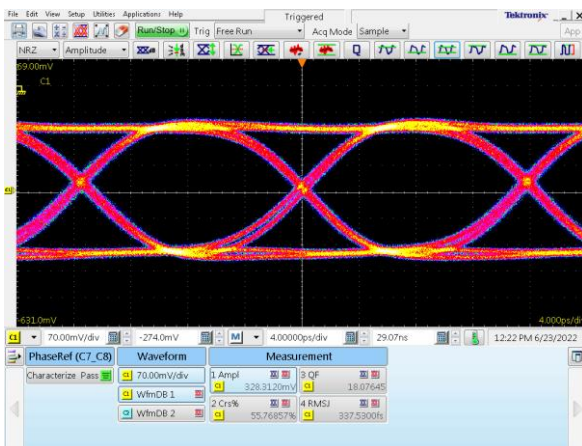
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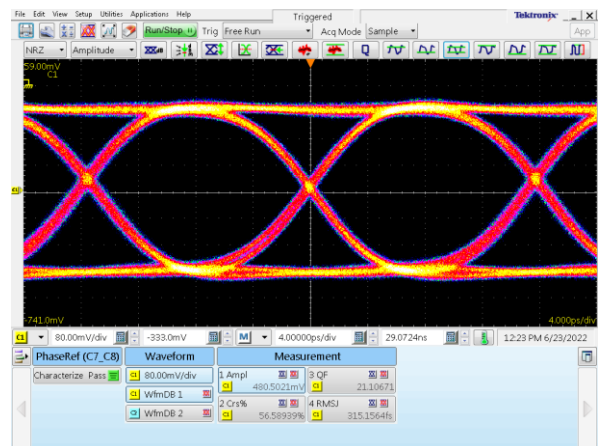
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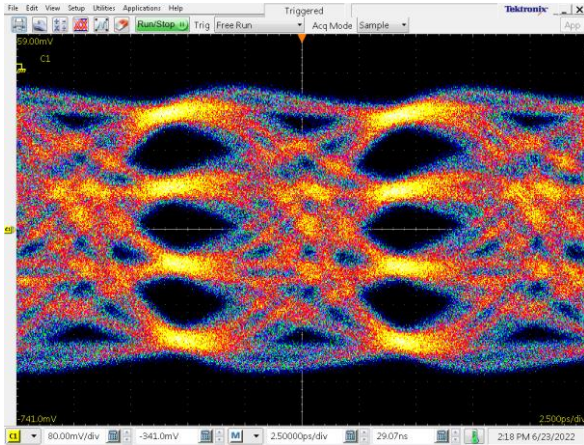
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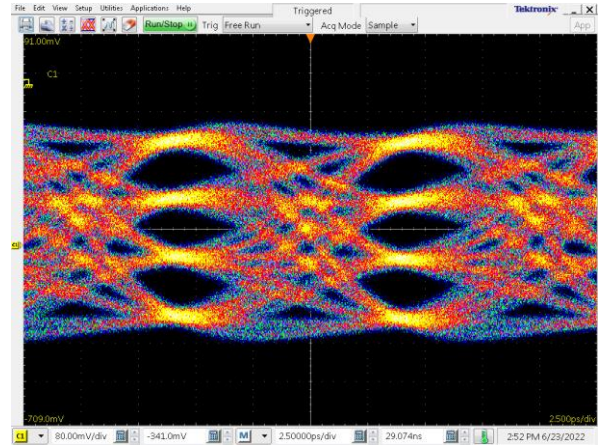
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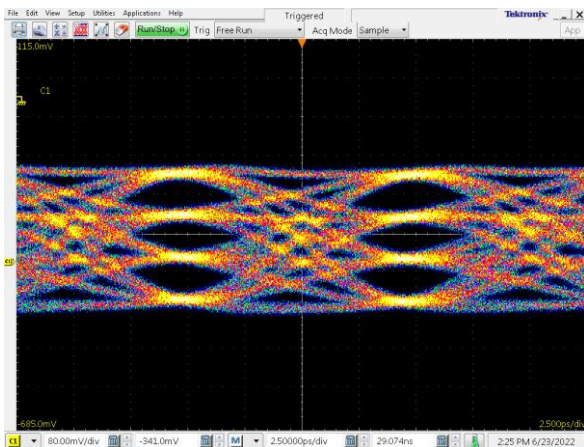
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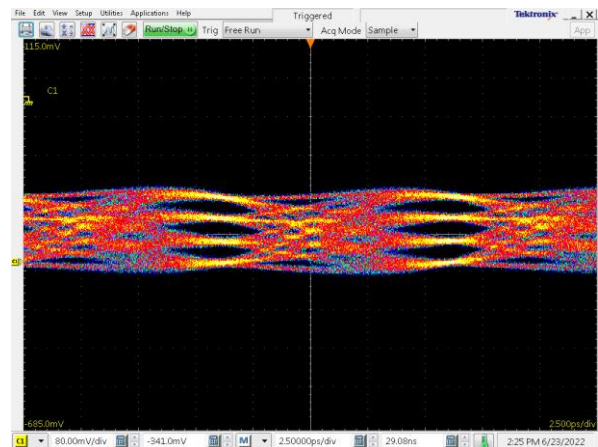
100 GBaud @ 450 mV



100 GBaud @ 350 mV



100 GBaud @ 250 mV



100 GBaud @ 150 mV

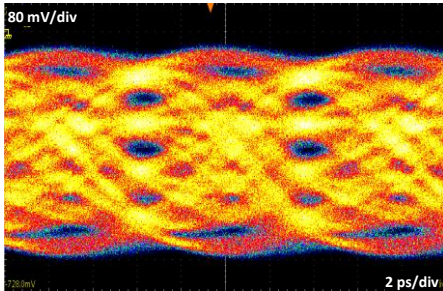


PAM4 signal oscilloscope comparison

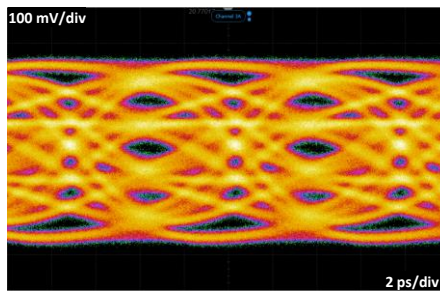
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Tektronix DSA / BW = 70 GHz

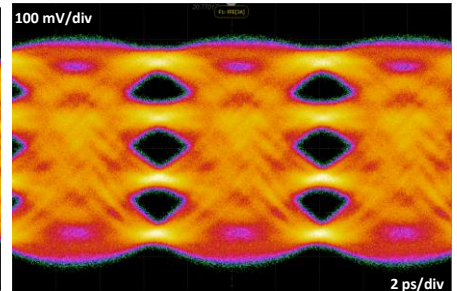
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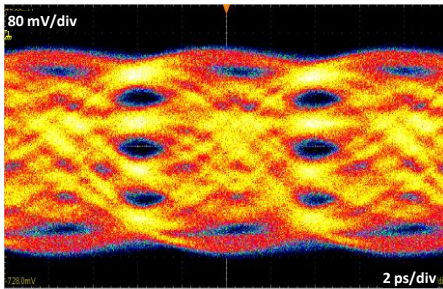
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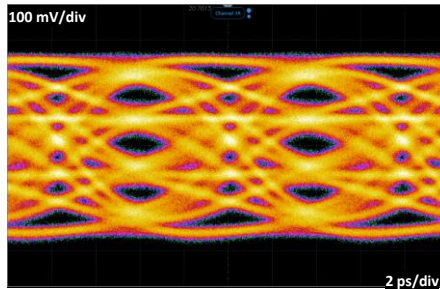
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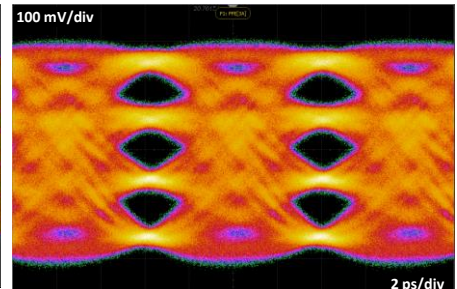
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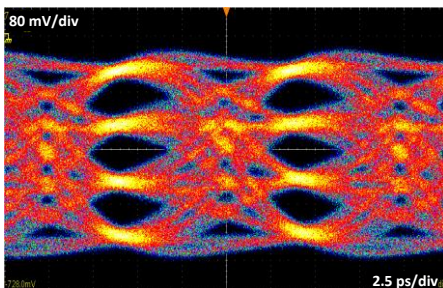
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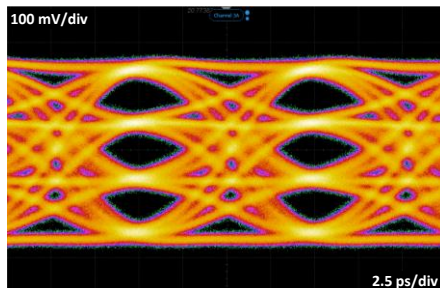
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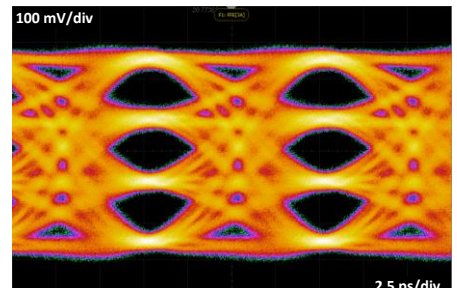
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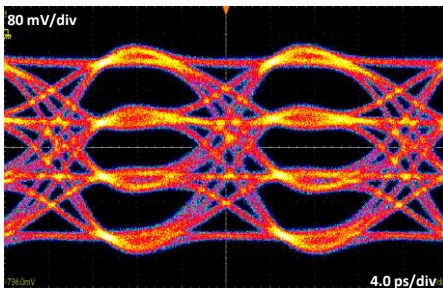
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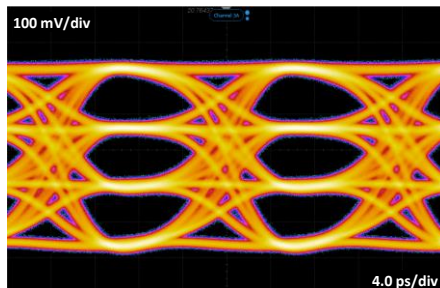
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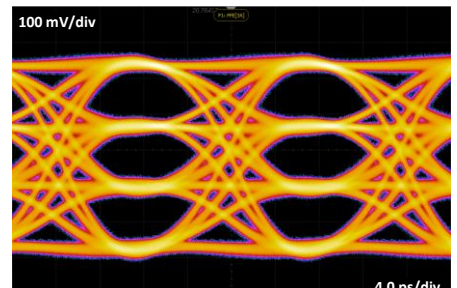
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70 GBaud PAM4 measurement



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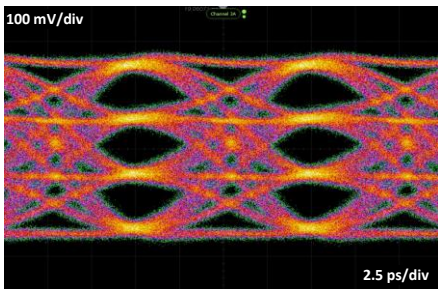


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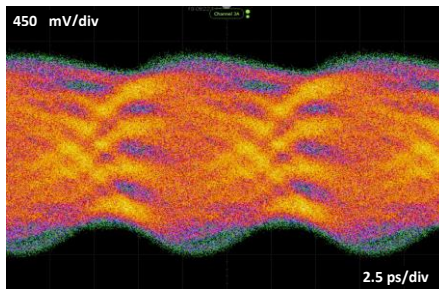
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Output SHF 616 C -WF

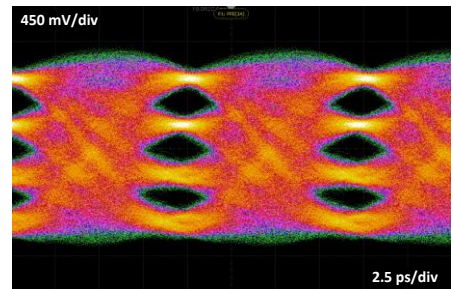
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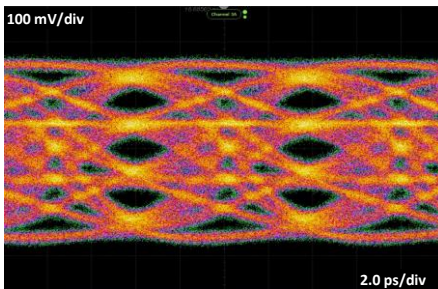
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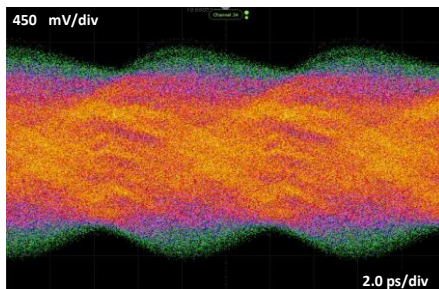
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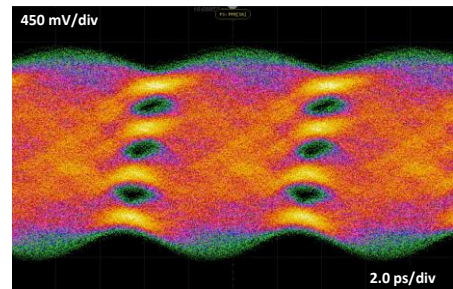
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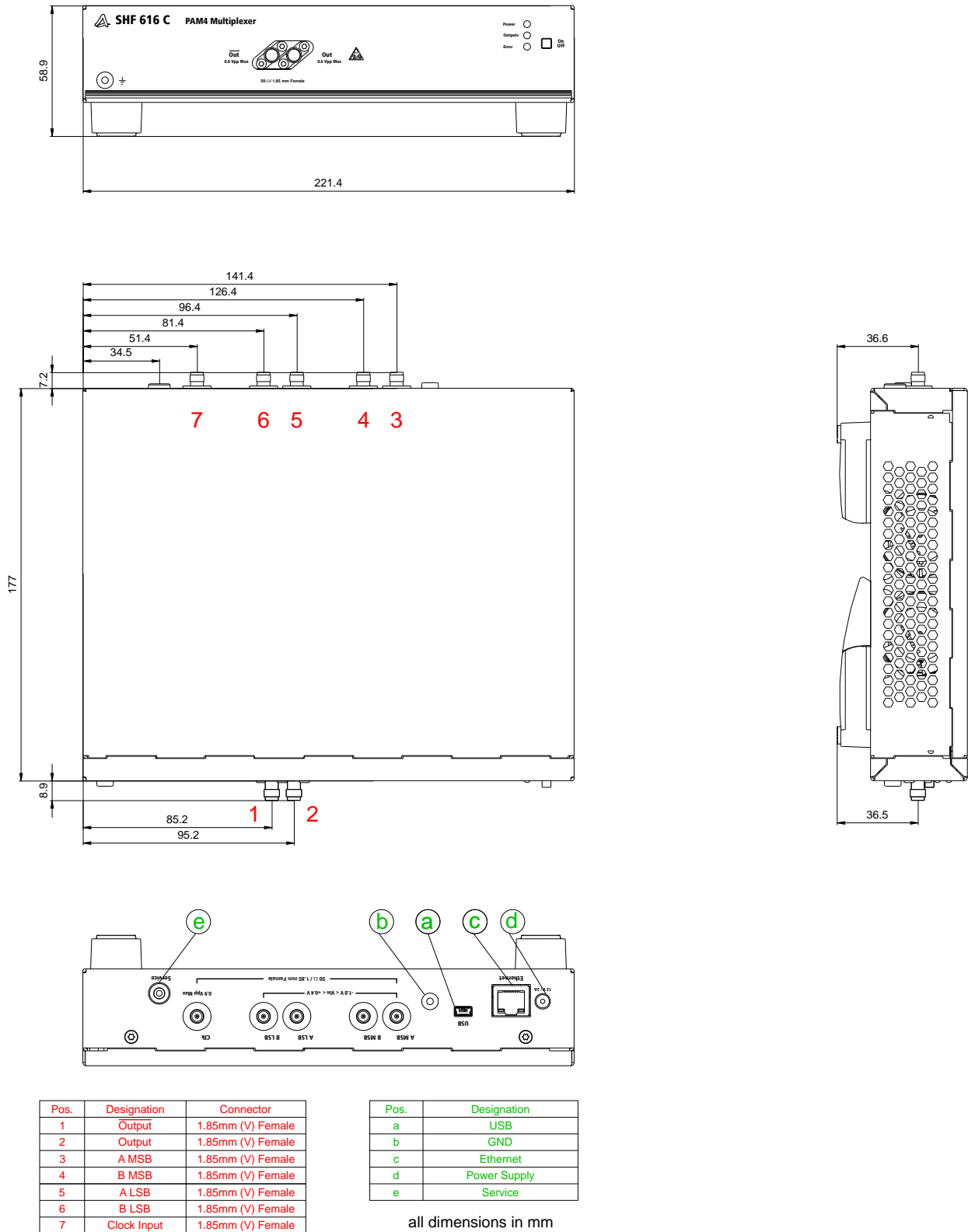
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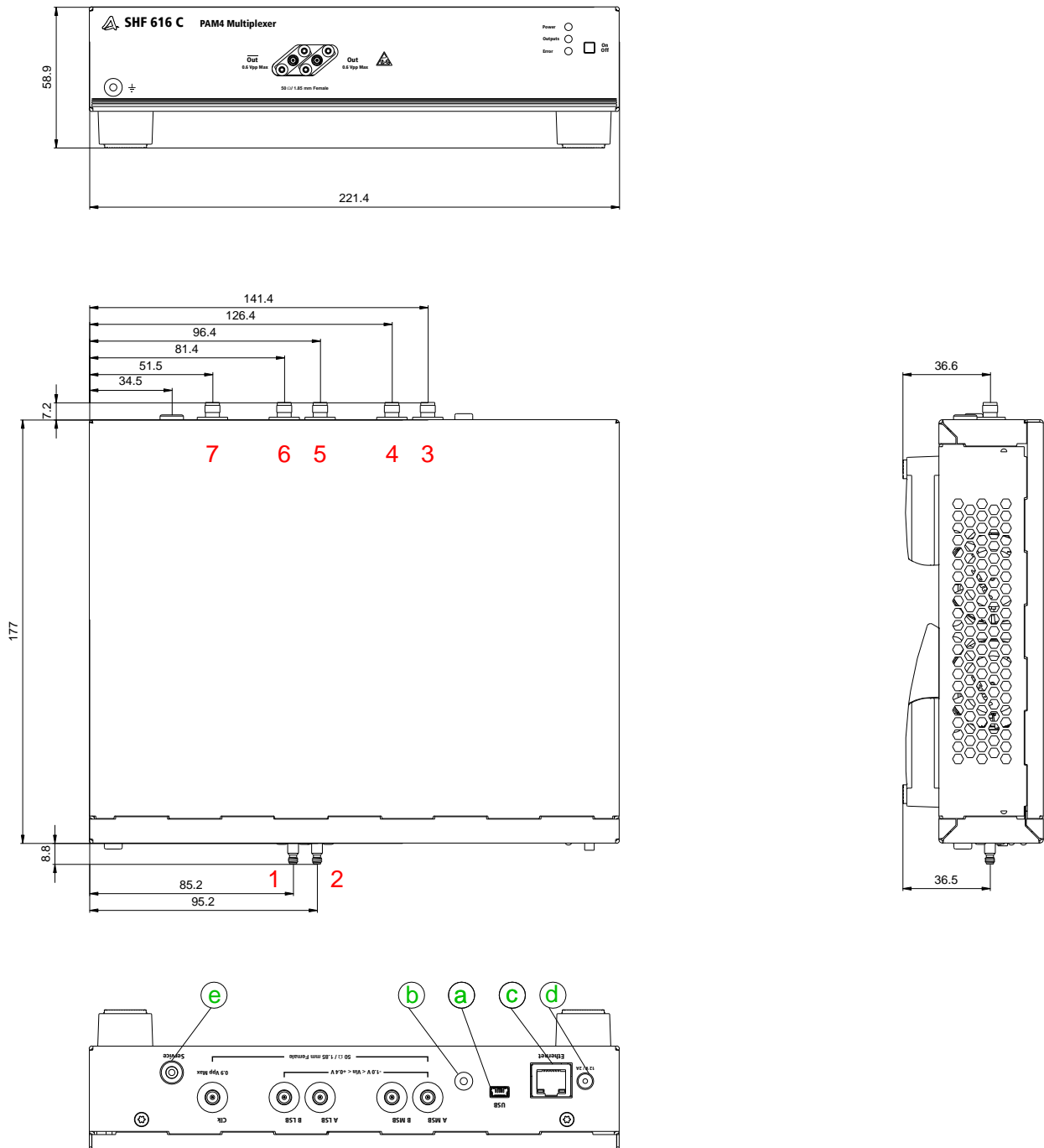


Mechanical Drawing – SHF 616 C





Mechanical Drawing – SHF 616 C with Option WF



| Pos. | Designation | Connector |
|------|-------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Output | 1.00mm Female |
| 2 | Output | 1.00mm Female |
| 3 | A MSB | 1.85mm (V) Female |
| 4 | B MSB | 1.85mm (V) Female |
| 5 | A LSB | 1.85mm (V) Female |
| 6 | B LSB | 1.85mm (V) Female |
| 7 | Clock Input | 1.85mm (V) Female |

| Pos. | Designation |
|------|--------------|
| a | USB |
| b | GND |
| c | Ethernet |
| d | Power Supply |
| e | Service |

all dimensions in mm



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