

Principle of Linear Analog Optical Couplers



Article Overview

Linear analog optical couplers transfer analog signals across an isolation barrier while maintaining linearity using a feedback-controlled LED and dual photodiode or phototransistor arrangement.

Basic Operation

A linear analog optical coupler (LOC) consists of an infrared LED emitter optically coupled to two photodetectors—either photodiodes or phototransistors. One photodetector, located on the input side, functions as a servo feedback element. It monitors the LED's light output and generates a control signal that adjusts the LED drive current, compensating for the LED's nonlinearities due to temperature and aging. The second photodetector, on the output side, produces a current or voltage that is linearly proportional to the input signal, effectively replicating the input across the isolation barrier with high fidelity .

Servo Feedback Mechanism

The servo feedback loop is the key to linearity. The input-side photodetector senses the LED flux and feeds back a signal to the LED driver. This feedback ensures that the LED output remains proportional to the input voltage or current, eliminating variations caused by temperature changes or LED aging. The output photodetector then converts the stabilized optical signal back into an electrical signal, preserving the linearity of AC and DC signals [5[^]].

Key Features

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Coupler[®]

These magnetically isolated products enable designers to implement isolation in designs without the cost, size, power, performance,

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The optical directional coupler, analogous to the microwave element of the same name, consists of parallel channel optical

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what is opto coupler working principle of Optocoupler Saturation and linear Mode operation of the optocoupler Photodiode vs

Opto-isolator

This proposed analog isolator is linear over a wide range of input voltage and frequency. However linear opto couplers using this

LOC Series Linear Optocouplers

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Opto-isolator

A slotted optical switch contains a source of light and a sensor, but its optical channel is open, allowing modulation of light by

Designing Linear Amplifiers Using the IL300 Optocoupler

It covers the IL300's coupling specifications, and circuit topologies for photovoltaic and photoconductive amplifier design. Specific

Optical Coupler

There are different technologies for optical couplers, which include the construction of special waveguides with multiple input and

Linear optocoupler principle and circuit design [HCNR200, HCNR201]

A better option for analog signal isolation is to use linear optocouplers. The isolation principle of the linear optocoupler is no different

Optical Coupler

A widely used approach for optical couplers fabrication is based on the coupling between optical fibers. The operation principle of the

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The goal of this chapterOptical couplers& #160;is to examine in detail the practical side of integrated optical couplers.

Optical couplers (Chapter 5)

Optical couplers are passive devices that couple light through waveguides or fibers. They play a very important role in the

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In order to transfer an analog signal, be this DC or AC, the phototransistor is biased within its active region of operation. This is also

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Linear Applications of Optocouplers Application Note 951-2 Introduction Optocouplers are useful in applications where analog or DC

What are Optocouplers? Definition, construction and working of ...

Optocouplers or optoelectronic couplers are electronic component that basically acts as an interface between the two separate

Fiber Optic Couplers Information

Fiber optic couplers are optical devices that connect three or more fiber ends, dividing one input between two or more outputs, or

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