APD module

C5460 series

APD module integrated with peripheral circuits



Features

- Uses high sensitivity APD
 Two types of APDs with different active areas (\$\phi\$1.5 mm, \$\phi\$3.0 mm) are provided.
- On-board high sensitivity circuit optimized for APD evaluation An APD and a low-noise current-to-voltage amplifier circuit are mounted on a compact PC board. The current-to-voltage amplifier circuit features a low-noise configuration allowing low-light-level detection.
- Detects optical signals from fixed light (DC light) C5460 detects optical signals from fixed light (DC light) to 10 MHz pulsed light making it well suited for bar code readers and film scanners. C5460-01 covers a narrower bandwidth from fixed light (DC light) to 100 kHz pulsed light, but provides an excellent NEP of 20 fW/Hz^{1/2} in the room temperature, making it suitable for fluorescence measurement and particle counters where low-light-level detection is essential.
- Built-in temperature-compensated bias power supply
 The bias power supply is controlled with a thermosensor to keep
 the APD gain constant. Gain variations are typically held within
 ±2.5 % at an ambient temperature of 25 ±10 °C. Ripple noise
 usually inherent to high-voltage power supplies is also minimized.
- Compact and lightweight
 The board is no larger than a typical business card.
- Low price
- Custom models with different dimensions and specifications are available

■ Selection guide

Parameter	C5460	C5460-01	Unit
Active area	φ1.5	ф3.0	mm
Photo sensitivity	1.5 × 10 ⁶	-1.5 × 10 ⁸	V/W
Frequency bandwidth	DC to 10 M	DC to 100 k	Hz

Applications

- Evaluation of APD
- Fluorescence measurement
- Bar code readers
- Particle counters
- Film scanners

■ Block diagram	
HIGH VOLTAGE GENERATOR +200 V ←+12 V	
VOLTAGE CONTROLLER BNC CONNECTO	OR
TEMPERATURE MONITOR	
LOW-NOISE CURRENT-TO-VOLTAGE AMPLIFIER CIRCU	JIT
APD	
THERMOSENSOR	K

