

Erbium Doped Fiber Amplifier



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Features

- Low Noise
- High Output at 27dBm
- High stability
- High Reliability
- Customizable

Applications

- BOTDR
- OTDR
- LiDAR
- Fiber sensing

Agiltron Erbium-doped fiber amplifier (EDFA) provides cost-effective solutions for high-power optical amplification. It is built using semiconductor lasers, WDM, isolator, and erbium-doped fiber. The product has the advantages of high reliability, high power output, high gain, and low noise. Two configurations are available: A preamplifier for slight optical signal amplification and a Booster amplifier for maximum output power. We make both random polarization and polarization maintain versions. It has several package configuration choices. A Benchtop unit that is preset at the highest gain is suited for laboratory use. The Benchtop has a computer control interface and GUI. The compact module is suited for system integration with the universal control interface. The pluggable and the associated host net-control rack are standardized for local network build-out. Customer configurations are available.

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The bench top or rack mount units can have multiple output channels in which the output is equally split into multiple outputs.

Specifications

EDFA		Min	Typical	Max	Unit
Wavelength		1543	1550	1605	nm
Input Power	Booster Amplifier	-6	0	7	dBm
	Pre-Amplifier	-30	-20	-10	dBm
Saturated Output Power ^[1]		15		40	dBm
Power Conversion Efficiency ^[2]		8		11	
Gain Range ^[3]		13		40	dB
Noise Index			5.5 ^[6]		dB
Gain Flatness			3		dB
Polarization Dependent Gain ^[4]				0.3	dB
Polarization Mode Dispersion ^[4]			0.5		
Polarization Extinction Ratio ^[5]		18		20	dB
Input/output Isolation		35			dB
Output Stability (8hrs)			0.05	0.1	dB
Adjustable Output Power			Yes		
Fiber Type		SMF-28e 9/125um NA = 0.13			
Working Temperature ^[7]		-30		70	°C
Storage Temperature		-40		85	°C
Dimension		230 x 120 x 15			mm
Power Supply		DC +5V/GND			
Communication		>20dBm	RS232		
		<20dBm	USB		

[1] Maximum optical output power. For Booster type only

[2] Define as the ratio of Electrical Input Power/Optical Output Power

[3] Amplification. Output power = Gain X Input power. For weak signals, buy a preamplifier

[4] Random polarization version only

[5] Polarization Maintaining only

[6] Defined as $10\log(\text{SNRi}/\text{SNRo})$

[7] The regular range is -5 to 40°C, for extended range requires additional cost

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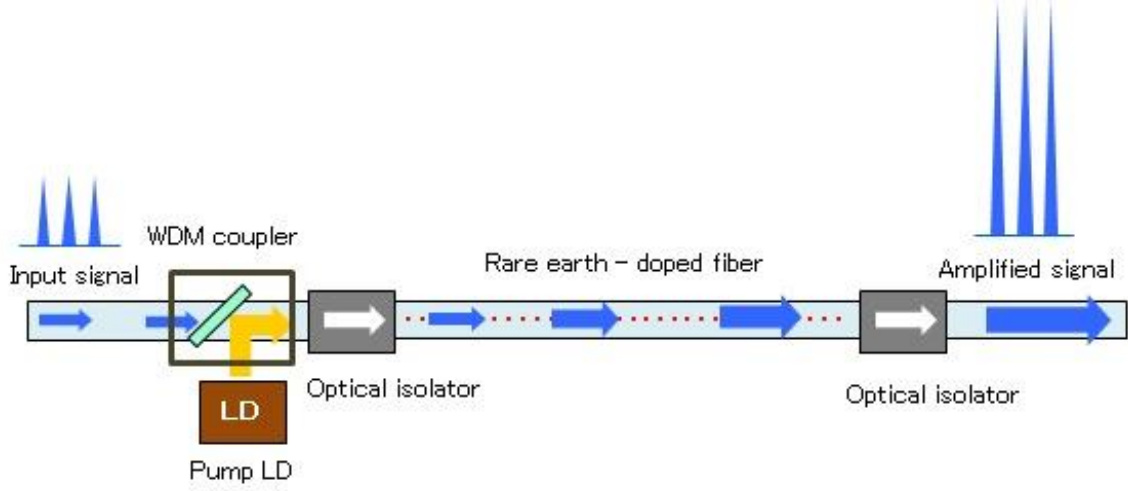
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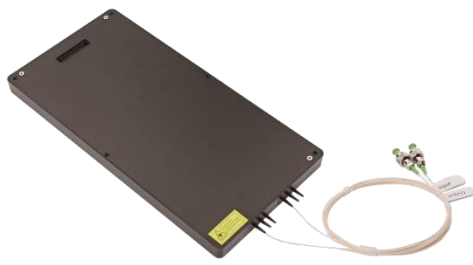
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Function Diagram



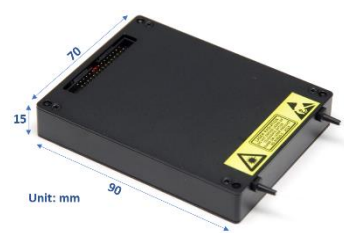
Package Choices



Component



Benchtop



Mini MSA



Pluggable



Net-Control Rack

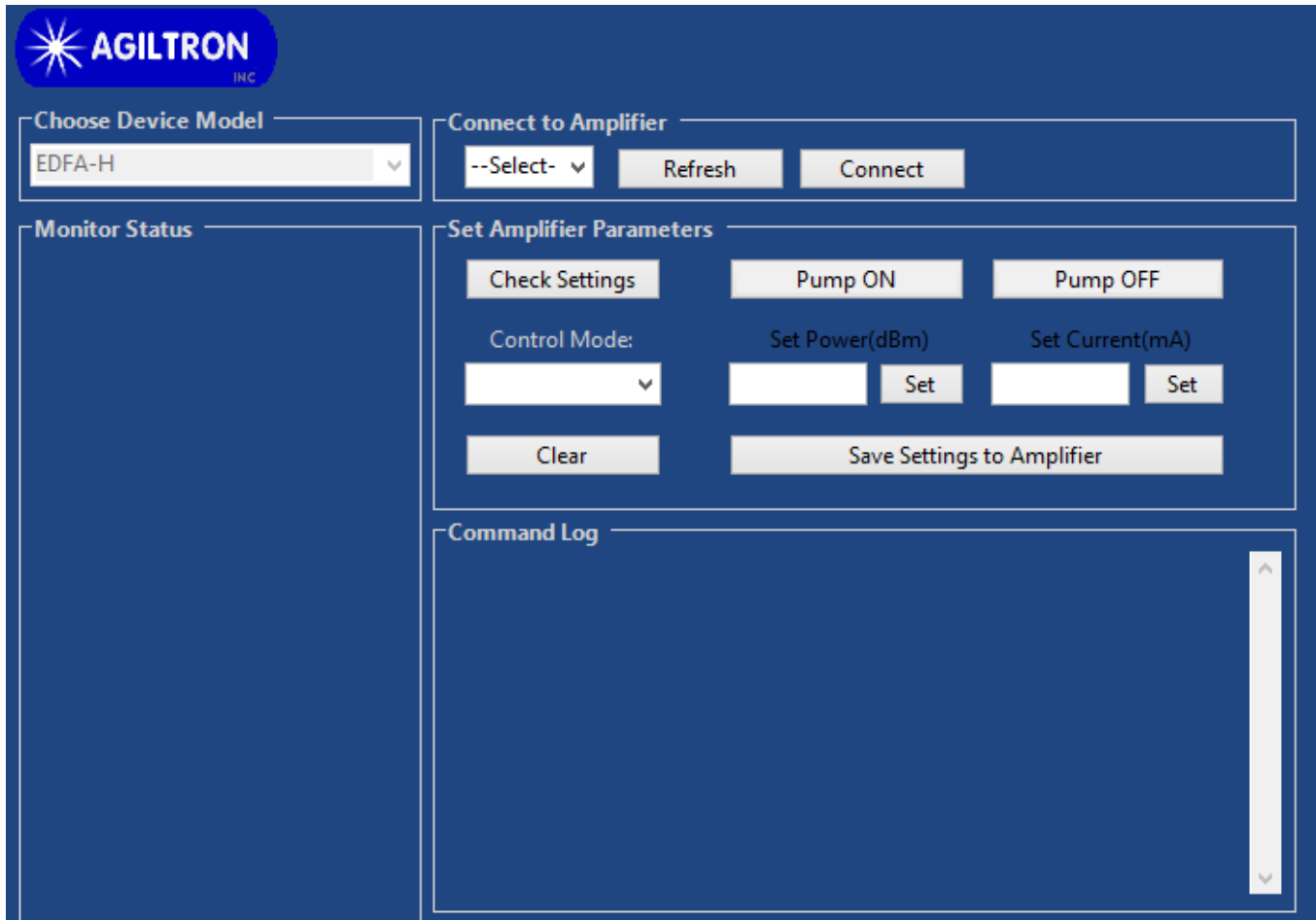
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GUI USB Interface



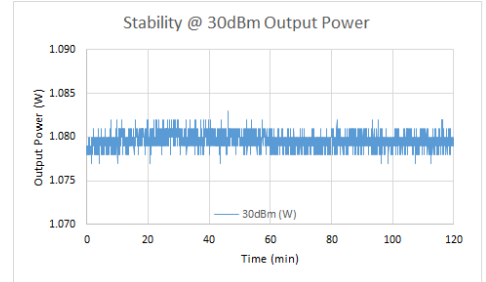
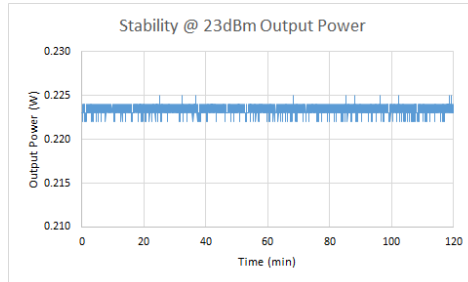
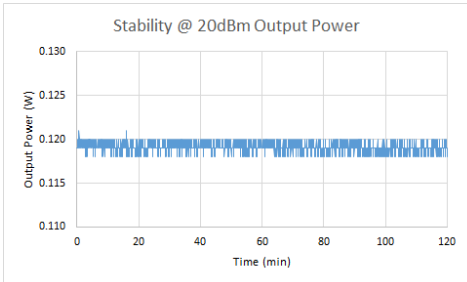
Operation Instruction

- Load the software, Unzip the folder and Click "setup" to Install the GUI
- Select an amplifier type that matches your PO
- Connect your PC to the Amplifier by first connecting a USB cable and then choosing the necessary port and clicking "Connect". To change the COM port click "Refresh", choose the necessary port, then click "Connect"
- Obtain the stored settings by clicking "Check Settings"
- To change the setting, first select the control mode
- To set up output power or current, input desired value and click "Set". There are limits for max output per the model type.
- To turn on the Amplify click "Pump ON"; the green color should appear. To stop click "Pump OFF"; the red color should appear
- To save the setting click "Save Settings to Amplifier". The Amplifier will store the setting for the next time you turn it on, even without the PC.
- The Amplifier only works if the input optical power level is within the spec.

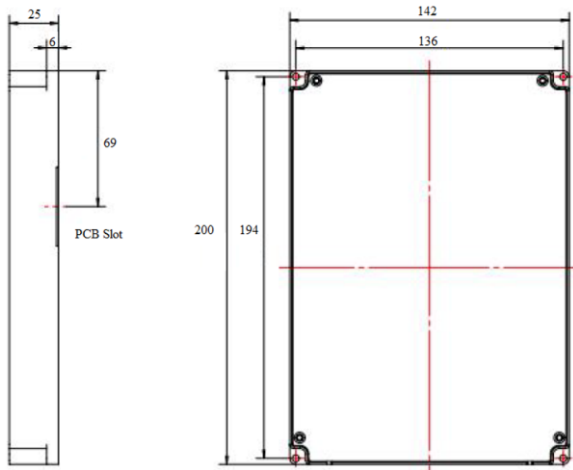
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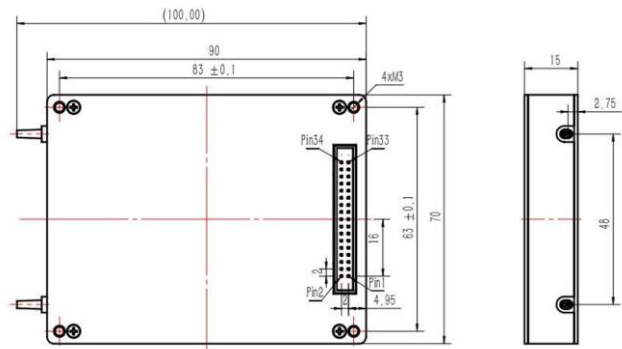
Output Power Stability (33dBm Benchtop)



Mechanical Dimension



SM High-power: >23dBm



SM Mini package: 17 / 20dBm

*Product dimensions may change without notice. This is sometimes required for non-standard specifications.

Ordering Information

Prefix	Type	Wavelength	Power	Output Channel	Polarization	Package	Cable Type	Fiber Length	Connector**	Low Temperature	High Temperature	Control Mode
EDFA-	Booster=1 Preamp=2	C Band=C L Band=L Red Band=R Blue Band=B C+L Band=A Special=0	17dBm/50mW=2* 30dBm/1W = 1 33dBm/2W = 5 37dBm/5W = 7 40dBm/10W = 6 41dBm/12W = 4 Special = 0	One = 1 Two = 2 Three=3 Four = 4	Random=1	Component=1 Benchtop = 2 Pluggable = 3 Plug/Rack= 4 MSA = M Special = 0	Bare fiber =1 0.9mm tube=3 Special = 0	0.25m= 1 0.5m = 2 1.0m = 3 Special=0	None = 1 FC/PC = 2 FC/APC = 3 SC/PC = 4 SC/APC = 5 LC/PC = 7 Duplex LC=8 Special = 0	-5°C = 1 -30°C = 2 Special = 0	40°C = 1 70°C = 2 Special = 0	APC=1 ACC=2 CC =3** Special=0

* This has a small package without power adjustment capability for lower cost.

** Regular connector only rated to 0.5W and will burn at higher power. We make a special beam expanded connector to handle up to 5W.

***CC is a constant current mode in which the pump laser current is set and always on regardless of input signal level.

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Laser Safety

This product meets the appropriate standard in Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). FDA/CDRH Class 1M laser product. This device has been classified with the FDA/CDRH under accession number 0220191. All versions of this laser are Class 1M laser products, tested according to IEC 60825-1:2007 / EN 60825-1:2007. An additional warning for Class 1M laser products. For diverging beams, this warning shall state that viewing the laser output with certain optical instruments (for example eye loupes, magnifiers, and microscopes) within a distance of 100 mm may pose an eye hazard. For collimated beams, this warning shall state that viewing the laser output with certain instruments designed for use at a distance (for example telescopes and binoculars) may pose an eye hazard.

Wavelength = 1.3/1.5 μm .

Maximum power = 30 mW.



*Caution - Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein may result in hazardous radiation exposure.
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Q&A About Fiber Optical Amplifier

Q: Can this amplifier pulsed signals?

A: It has been tested to amplify up to 100GHz digital data.

Q: Can this amplifier WDM signals?

A: It has been tested to amplify signals with DWDM wavelength spacing.

Q: Can this amplifier has a flat wavelength response?

A: Yes, by put fluttering gain filters, that is an extra cost.

Q: If one puts a small signal into it, can it be amplified to the maximum output power indicated on the spec?

A: The amplifier is set as an analog mode whose output signal strength is approximately proportional to the input strength. It has a certain gain of about 40dB. There are two types: one is a preamplifier and a booster. One can use a preamplifier before the booster for weak signals, as done in electronic amplifiers.

Q: We have an existing amplifier. Can you duplicate it?

A: Yes, we can produce it with a seamless software interface.

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