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Part 5.1: Receiving Amplifier

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1. Introduction

1.1. General system description

This specification defines the design requirements for the analogue optical link to be used in the readout system of the tracker sub-detector of the CMS detector [1.1] at the CERN [1.2] Large Hadron Collider (LHC). The tracker sensing elements are silicon microstrip detectors. The approximate total number of detector channels is 10 millions, to be multiplexed and read-out by approximately 40000 optical links (plus spares). A thorough description of the CMS tracker is found in [1.3].

The CMS tracker optical readout link is embedded into the data acquisition chain shown in Fig. 1.1. It starts at the electro-optic opto- hybrid interface and ends at the opto-electric receiver module interface. Specifications for the Front End Driver board (FED), MUX and APV front-end chips can be found in: [1.4] and [1.5]

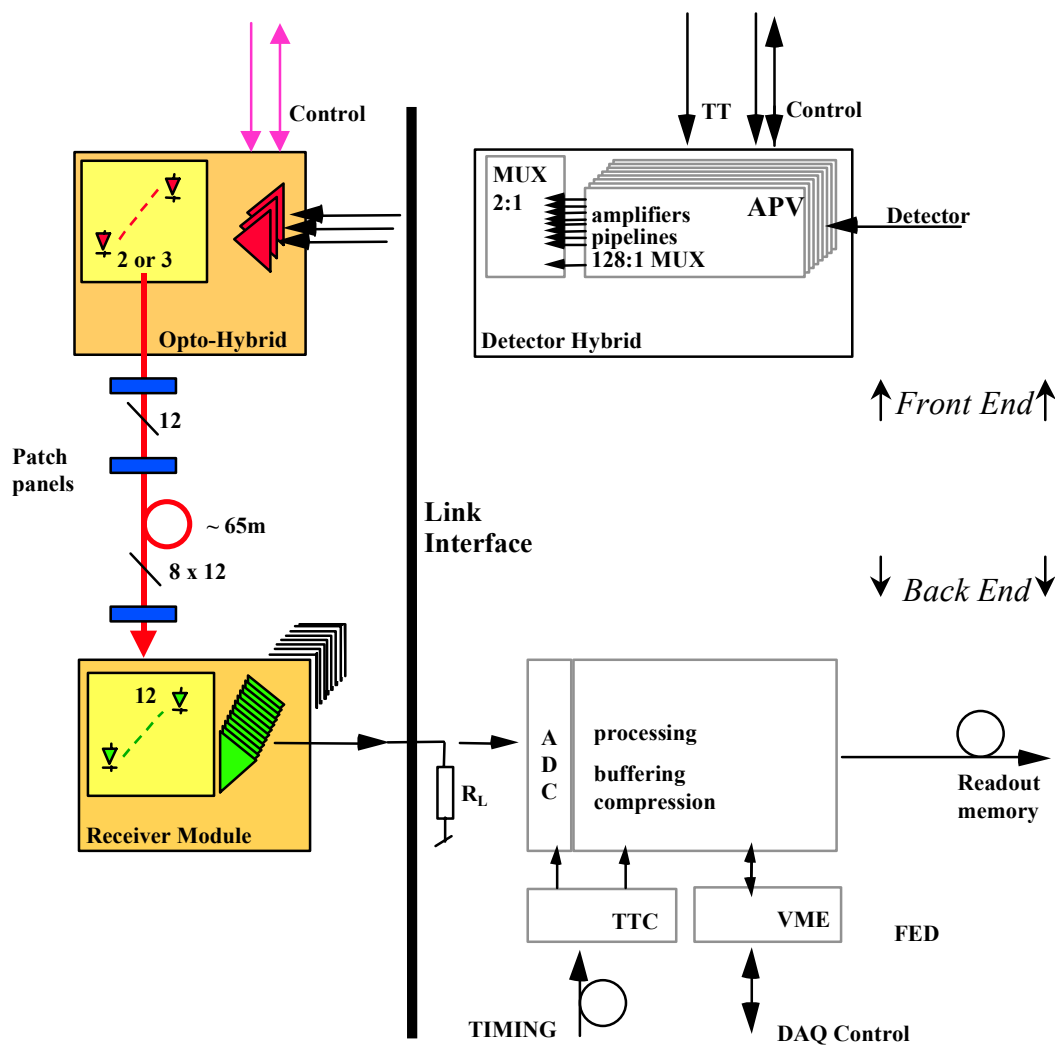


Fig. 1.1. Tracker readout chain with optical link highlighted on the left.

To ease the understanding and use of this document, a brief explanation of the CMS tracker sub-detector data flow is given below. A more detailed description of the CMS tracker readout chain can be found for instance in [1.6].

Signals from all sensor channels are sampled and stored every 25ns in the APV front-end chip analogue memory. In the event of a Level 1 trigger occurrence (TT), the analogue samples corresponding to the time slice of interest in the memory are processed, time multiplexed and transferred in packet form from the detector hybrids to the opto-transmitter hybrids via short lengths of flexible cable tape (0 to 30 cm typ.). They are then sent via optical fibres to the receivers situated at the link back-end, where they are converted back to electrical. A to D conversion, processing and buffering take place on the Front End Driver (FED) boards before the data packets are sent out to the readout memory and computer farms.

1.2. Document structure and convention

The optical link specification is broken down into eight independent parts, each describing and specifying a different level or function in the system:

- Part 1. System
- Part 2. Analogue Opto- Hybrid
 - 2.1 Laser Driver
 - 2.2 Laser Transmitter
 - 2.2.1 Terminated Pigtail
 - 2.2.1.1 Buffered Fibre
 - 2.3 Analogue Opto-Hybrid Substrate
- Part 3. Terminated Fibre Ribbon
 - 3.1 Ruggedized Ribbon
- Part 4. Terminated Multi-Ribbon Cable
 - 4.1 Dense Multi-Ribbon Cable
- Part 5. Analogue Opto-Receiver Module
 - 5.1 Analogue Receiving Amplifier
- Part 6. Distributed Patch Panel
 - 6.1 MU-SR Adaptor
- Part 7. In Line Patch Panel
 - 7.1 Connector shell
- Part 8. Backend Patch Panel
 - 8.1 Connector shell

Each part has the following structure:

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| | 2.7. option (when required) | | |

Due to the preliminary nature of this document, the specification section (section 2.3) of each system part is labelled "target specifications". CERN should be consulted before any hard- or software relying on these characteristics is being designed. Target specifications will eventually evolve into full specifications once the system definition is mature. Still to be determined parameters are labelled TBD.

1.3. Related WWW sites

- CERN laboratory: <http://www.cern.ch/Public/>
- CMS project: <http://cmsinfo.cern.ch/Welcome.html>
- CMS Tracker Technical Design Report: <http://cmsdoc.cern.ch/ftp/TDR/TRACKER/tracker.html>
- CMS Tracker Electronic System: <http://pcvlsi5.cern.ch:80/CMSTControl/>
- CMS Tracker Optical Links: <http://cms-tk-opto.web.cern.ch/>
- FED developments: http://hepwww.rl.ac.uk/cms_fed/
- APV and MUX developments: <http://www.te.rl.ac.uk/med/>

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1.5. Document history

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2. Technical requirement, part 5.1: Receiving Amplifier

2.1. Description

An ASIC is to be designed and prototyped, performing the function of a 12-channel current amplifier array. It converts into 12 single-ended current outputs the photocurrents generated by a 12-channel pin-photodiode array (not part of this specification). It also allows common adjustment of the DC input and output offset currents. About 5000 known good 12-way receiving amplifiers will be required for the CMS tracker detector readout links.

2.2. Block Diagram

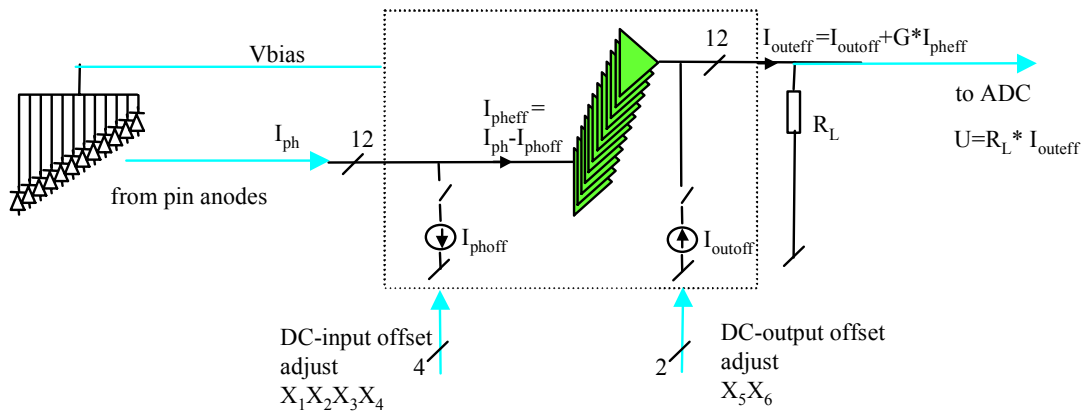


Fig. 1.1. Analogue receiver block diagram

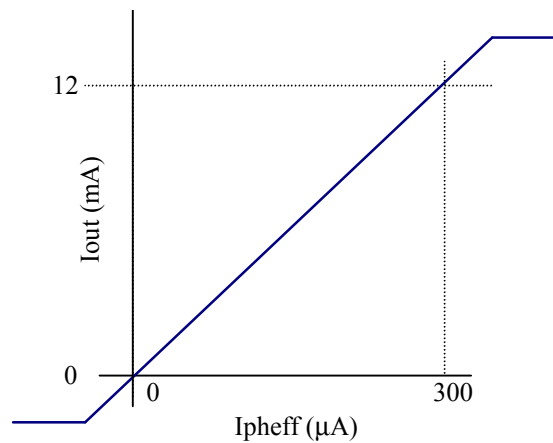


Fig. 1.2. Analogue receiver operating range

2.3. Target specifications (@25°C unless otherwise noted)

#	operational specifications	min	typ	max	unit	note
5.1.1	Number of channels	12				
5.1.2	Integral linearity deviation			0.5	%	in any 20µA and 40µA window within operating input range
				1	%	in any 80µA window within operating input range
5.1.3	Bandwidth		100		MHz	DC coupled
5.1.4	Settling time to ±1%			15	ns	
5.1.5	Skew			1	ns	
5.1.6	Jitter			0.5	ns	rms
5.1.7	Crosstalk		-60		dB	
5.1.8	Gain G	38	40	42	A/A	transimpedance $Z=GR_L$
5.1.9	Load Resistance R_L	50	100	200	Ω	
5.1.10	Photodiode capacitance	0.6	0.8	1.0	pF	
	specs 5.1.11 to 5.1.20					reserved for future use

#	electrical specifications	min	typ	max	unit	note	
5.1.21	Photocurrent input range I_{ph}	0		300	µA		
5.1.22	Input offset current compensation I_{phoff}	-200		175	µA	User adjustable with 4bits (X ₁ X ₂ X ₃ X ₄)	
5.1.23	Resolution of input offset current compensation I_{phunit}	20	25	32	µA	$I_{phoff} = X_1 * I_{unit} + X_2 * 2 * I_{unit} + X_3 * 4 * I_{unit} - X_4 * 8 * I_{unit}$	
	Effective input current I_{pheff}	$I_{pheff} = I_{ph} - I_{phoff}$					
5.1.24	Output current range I_{out}	0		13	mA	Within output voltage range.	
5.1.25	Output offset current I_{outoff}	2.5		10	mA	Within output voltage range. User adjustable with 2bits (X ₅ X ₆)	
5.1.26	Resolution of output offset current I_{outunit}	2.3	2.5	2.7	mA	$I_{outoff} = I_{outunit} + X_5 * I_{outunit} + X_6 * 2 * I_{outunit}$	
	Effective output current I_{outeff}	2.5		23	mA	$I_{outeff} = I_{out} + I_{outoff}$	
5.1.27	Output voltage range	0.4		3	V	ESD protected outputs	
5.1.28	Output loading		1.6	2.5	ns	$\tau = C_L * R_L$	
5.1.29	Equivalent input noise			50	nA	Rms in 100MHz bandwidth @ $I_{pheff} = I_{phoff} = 100\mu A$, $I_{ph} = 0\mu A$	
5.1.30	Power supply rejection ratio $\Delta U / \Delta V_{cc}$	40			dB	At 1MHz, $R_L = 100\Omega$ TBD	
5.1.31	Power supply	4.5	5	5.5	V	V _{cc} - V _{ee}	
5.1.32	Power dissipation			3	W	12 Channels, X ₅ , X ₆ on, to be minimized	
				2.5	W	12 Channels, X ₅ , X ₆ off, to be minimized	
5.1.33	Control inputs X ₁ X ₂ X ₃ X ₄ X ₅ X ₆	CMOS compatible, active high					Pull up resistors internal to the chip TBD
	specs 5.1.34 to 5.1.60					reserved for future use	

2.4. Operating environment

#	environmental specifications	min	typ	max	unit	note
5.1.61	Storage temperature	-20		70	°C	
5.1.62	Operating junction temperature	+20		130	°C	
5.1.63	Operating humidity			60 %	RH	13 °C dew point
	Specs 5.1.64 to 5.1.80					reserved for future use

2.5. Other Characteristics

- electrical interface

Bonded connections on Receiver module hybrid.
 External 50 to 200 Ω termination resistors on output lines.

- package

bare die

- Test Documentation and traceability: TBD
- Shipping and storage requirements: TBD

2.6. Testing

Chip shall be tested on wafer according to the following table:

#	Specification to be tested	Chip Qualification		Chip on wafer test
		Designer and/or CERN		Test house
5.1.1	Number of channels	♦	♦	♦
5.1.2	Integral linearity deviation	♦	♦	
5.1.3	Bandwidth	♦	♦	
5.1.4	Settling time to ±1%			
5.1.5	Skew	♦	♦	
5.1.6	Jitter	♦	♦	
5.1.7	Crosstalk	♦	♦	
5.1.8	Gain G	♦	♦	♦
5.1.9	Load Resistance R_L	♦	♦	♦
5.1.10	Photodiode capacitance			
5.1.21	Photocurrent input range I_{ph}	♦	♦	
5.1.22	Input offset current compensation I_{phoff}	♦	♦	♦
5.1.23	Resolution of input offset current compensation, I_{phunit}	♦	♦	♦
5.1.24	Output current range I_{out}	♦	♦	♦
5.1.25	Output offset current I_{outoff}	♦	♦	♦
5.1.26	Resolution of output offset current I_{outunit}	♦	♦	♦
5.1.27	Output voltage range	♦	♦	

5.1.28	Output loading	◆	◆	
5.1.29	Equivalent input noise	◆	◆	
5.1.30	Power supply rejection ratio $\Delta U/\Delta V_{cc}$	◆	◆	
5.1.31	Power supply	◆	◆	
5.1.32	Power dissipation	◆	◆	◆
5.1.33	Control inputs $X_1 X_2 X_3 X_4 X_5 X_6$	◆	◆	◆
5.1.61	Storage temperature			
5.1.62	Operating junction temperature	◆	◆	
5.1.63	Operating humidity			

3. Glossary

This glossary is common to all parts of both the control link and the readout link specification. Some definitions may thus not be relevant to the part under consideration.

3.1. Signal to noise ratio

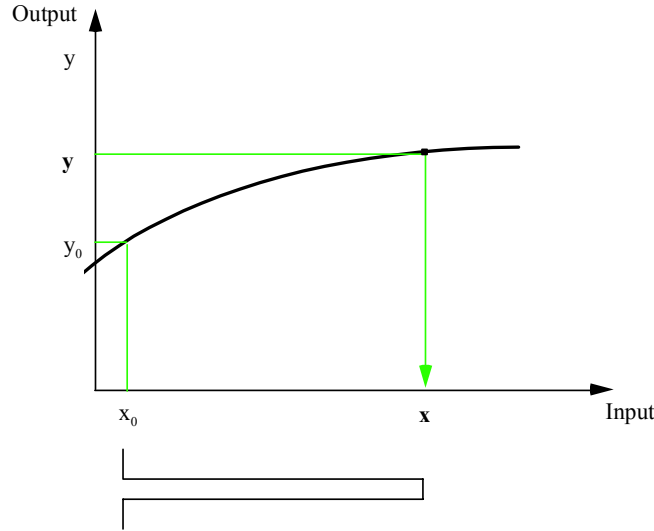


Fig. 3.1. Signal to noise ratio

The signal is defined as $\Delta y = y - y_0$, where y_0 is the system quiescent working point.

The rms noise y_{rms} is defined as the noise spectral density integrated over the full optical link bandwidth.

The signal to noise ratio (SNR) is defined as:

$$SNR = 20 \text{Log} \frac{\text{Signal}}{\text{rmsNoise}} = 20 \text{Log} \frac{|\Delta y|}{y_{rms}}$$

The peak signal Δy_{peak} is the largest amplitude which can be handled by the optical link in its linear operating range.

The peak signal to noise ratio (PSNR) is defined as:

$$PSNR = 20 \text{Log} \frac{|\Delta y_{peak}|}{y_{rms}}$$

3.2. Integral Non-Linearity

The integral non-linearity INL is defined as the full-scale-normalized error one makes when, for a given link output signal y , the link input signal is assumed to be the linearized value x_L instead of the real value x .

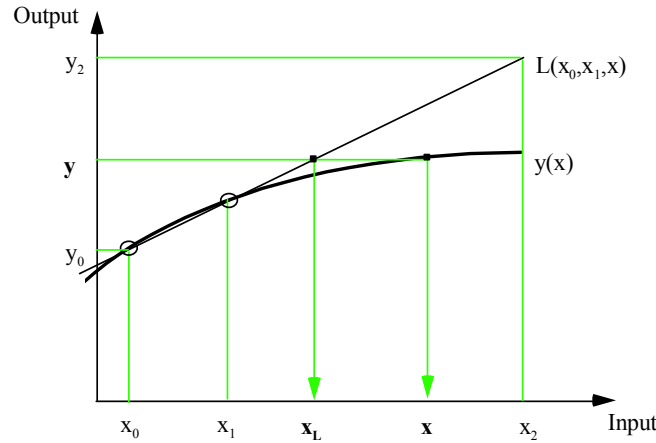


Fig. 3.2. Integral non-linearity

The linear regression is calculated by fitting the transfer characteristic in a linear operation window $[x_0, x_1]$ (alternatively $[y_0, y_1]$ in the output range).

INL is defined as the error one makes when approximating x by x_L , normalised by the full-scale signal:

$$INL = \frac{x - x_L}{x_2 - x_0}$$

3.3. Settling time

The settling time is defined as the time required for a step response signal to settle to $\pm 1\%$ of its end value.

3.4. Skew

The skew is determined by measuring, for two channels, the average time $\overline{t_{50}}$ required for a step response signal to reach 50% of its end value. The skew between channels i and j is defined as:

$$t_{skew} = \overline{t_{50, j}} - \overline{t_{50, i}}$$

3.5. Jitter

The rms jitter is defined as the rms deviation of the time t_{50} required for a step response signal to reach 50% of its end value:

$$t_{jitter} = \sqrt{\overline{(t_{50} - \overline{t_{50}})^2}}$$

3.6. Crosstalk

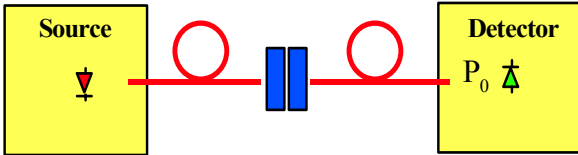
The crosstalk between two channels i and j is defined as the relative feedthrough from channel i to channel j at sampling time $t_s=20\text{ns}$ when an ideal step signal is injected into channel i at $t=0\text{s}$.

$$\text{Crosstalk} = 20 \text{ Log} \left| \frac{\text{Out}_j}{\text{Out}_i} \right|_{t_s=20 \text{ ns}}$$

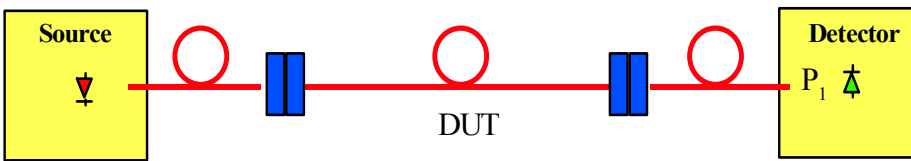
3.7. Insertion loss

The insertion loss (IL) is defined as the Log of the ratio of optical powers measured before (P0) and after (P1) insertion of the device under test (DUT). In case the DUT is a single connector, optical power (P0 and P1) is measured with a large area detector in a receptacle.

a) Launched power measurement (P0)



b) Transmitted power measurement (P1)



c) Insertion loss: $IL = 10 \text{Log} \frac{P_0}{P_1}$

3.8. Power supply rejection ratio

The power supply rejection ratio (PSRR) is defined as the amplitude of a sinusoidal disturbance Δd injected into the power supply rail and causing a ripple Δy on the output of the device under test, divided by the input signal Δx which would cause an identical ripple Δy .

$$PSRR = 20 \text{Log} \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta x}$$

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