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Tektronix DPP125C Digital Pre-emphasis Processor

Tektronix DPP125C Digital Pre-emphasis Processor (BERTScope) The Tektronix BERTScope DPP125C is a nonlinear signal conditioner that adds controllable digital pre-emphasis / de-emphasis to serial data for hardware equalization, receiver stress, and standards compliance testing. It accepts single-ended SMA clock and data inputs and produces a differential SMA data output with a clocked 3-tap FIR (optional 4-tap) over 1–12.5 Gb/s. The Tektronix BERTScope DPP125C is a nonlinear signal conditioner that adds controllable digital pre-emphasis / de-emphasis to serial data for hardware equalization, receiver stress, and standards compliance testing. It accepts single-ended SMA clock and data inputs and produces a differential SMA data output with a clocked 3-tap FIR (optional 4-tap) over 1–12.5 Gb/s.



MODEL

Tektronix DPP125C

CALIBRATION

Available on request

CONDITION

Used

STATUS

In stock

RFQ / SKU

DPP125C

LISTING

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This unit

The Tektronix DPP125C Digital Pre-emphasis Processor compensates for signal degradation in high-speed digital communication systems by applying controllable pre-emphasis to enhance signal integrity. It corrects transmission channel impairments through configurable tap-based

equalization, enabling accurate data recovery at the receiver and supporting compliance testing across multiple industry standards. The instrument operates as either a standalone device controlled remotely or integrates fully with a BERTScope for unified software control.

Technical Specifications

Data Rate: 1 to 12.5 Gb/s

Pre-emphasis Configuration: 3-tap or optional 4-tap

Supported Standards: 802.3ap, Serial Attached SCSI (SAS), 10GBASE-KR Backplanes, DisplayPort™, USB 3.0/3.1, PCI Express® Gen3

Signal Adjustment: Pre-cursor or post-cursor compensation for inter-symbol interference (ISI) and signal loss mitigation

Input Type: Single-ended data and clock inputs

Control Methods: Direct tap weight entry, time-domain step response visualization, frequency-domain Bode plot analysis

Optional ECM Features: Reference clock multiplication (2.5 GHz, 5 GHz, 8 GHz PCIe compliance), eye opener functionality, 12 Gb/s SAS clock doubler

Interfaces: RS-232 for PCIe receiver equalization link training, USB for PC control

Clock/Data Delay: Internally compensated for length-matched cables when integrated with BERTScope

Key Features

Adjustable tap weights for optimizing compensation across varying channel conditions

Amplitude-weighted time-domain bitmap display for step response visualization

Frequency-domain Bode plot for monitoring implemented equalization effects

Compact footprint compatible with BERTScope stacking geometry

Dual operation modes: standalone PC control or full BERTScope integration

Typical Applications

Design characterization for high-speed digital systems

Certification testing of serial data streams against industry standards

High-speed I/O component and system verification

Compatibility & Integration

Operated standalone via remote PC or fully integrated with Tektronix BERTScope using BERTScopePC software and drivers.

Features & description

From manufacturer datasheet

Features

• Data rate 1–12.5 Gb/s • Standard 3-tap clocked FIR; Opt. 4T adds fourth tap • Tap weights –100% to +100% in 1% steps (or 0.1 dB) • UI: tap weights, amplitude-weighted step response, Bode plot • USB 2.0 control; AC-coupled data path with DC-coupled output offset • Opt. ECM: PCIe-compliant clock multiplication / eye opener / SAS clock doubler

Applications

• High-speed serial Tx equalization emulation • PCI Express, USB 3.0, SAS, DisplayPort, 10GBASE-KR stress / compliance • Counteracting channel ISI with measured frequency response • BERTScope and stand-alone pattern-generator setups

DPP125C Characteristics / Specifications

PARAMETER	VALUE
Model	DPP125C
Manufacturer	Tektronix
Instrument Type	Digital Pre-emphasis Processor
Product Family	BERTScope DPP Series
Data Rate Range	1–12.5 Gb/s
FIR Function	3-tap clocked FIR (standard); 4-tap with Opt. 4T
Tap Range	–100 to +100 (including 0) in 1% steps
Tap Resolution	1% or 0.1 dB, any tap
Clock Input	Single-ended SMA
Clock Sensitivity Typical	250 mV
Clock Termination	50 Ω, AC coupled
Data Input	Single-ended SMA
Data Sensitivity Typical	250 mV (PN31 pattern)
Data Input Termination	50 Ω, AC coupled
Max Jitter Transfer Clock to Output	1:1
Data Output	Differential SMA
Max Output Amplitude Typical	1.8 V differential, adjustable
Differential Skew Typical	<2 ps
Max DC Offset Typical	±500 mV
Output Coupling	AC-coupled data with DC-coupled output offset
Additive Random Jitter Typical	<350 fs RMS (1010 pattern)
Transition Time	<40 ps, all taps, 1010 pattern
Control Interface	USB 2.0
Weight	4 kg (9 lb)
Power Consumption	<150 W

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AC Mains	100–240 V AC, 45–63 Hz, auto-range
Opt. ECM	PCIe-compliant clock multiplication / eye opener / SAS clock doubler
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Full OEM specifications

Complete technical content extracted from the manufacturer datasheet. Sparse OEM tables are reconstructed as tables below; other text is preserved as paragraphs.

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Option 4T: Optional 4-tap processor

Option ECM: PCIe clock multiplication 2.5/5/8 GHz; eye opener; 12 Gb/s SAS clock doubler

Notes

Specs from Tektronix DPP125C / BERTScope Digital Pre-emphasis Processor datasheet. Confirm installed options (4T, ECM) and firmware on the unit.

Ordering Information

OPTION	DESCRIPTION
Opt. ECM	PCle-compliant clock multiplication / eye opener / SAS clock doubler

Available from Aumictech

Used and refurbished unit evaluated in-house. Calibration: Available on request. Used · In stock.

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