

Optical Frequency Modulator



AI Overview

An optical frequency modulator is a device that varies the frequency of a light beam in response to an external signal, typically using electro-optic or acousto-optic effects.

Overview An optical frequency modulator is a type of optical modulator that changes the frequency of a laser or light beam. This modulation can encode information onto the light or shift its frequency for applications in spectroscopy, communications, and laser stabilization. Frequency modulation in optics is analogous to frequency modulation in radio waves but operates at optical frequencies, often in the terahertz range.

Working Principles

Electro-Optic Modulators (EOMs) Electro-optic modulators exploit the electro-optic effect, where the refractive index of a nonlinear optical material, such as lithium niobate (LiNbO_3) or barium titanate (BaTiO_3), changes in response to an applied electric field. By controlling the phase of the light passing through the crystal, the frequency can be indirectly modulated. EOMs can operate at very high speeds, reaching GHz modulation bandwidths, and are widely used for phase, amplitude, polarization, and frequency modulation of laser beams.

Acousto-Optic Modulators (AOMs) Acousto-optic modulators use the acousto-optic effect, where sound waves in a crystal create a periodic variation in refractive index, acting as a moving diffraction grating. When a laser beam passes through this grating, the diffracted light experiences a frequency shift equal to the acoustic wave frequency, effectively modulating the optical frequency. AOMs are commonly used as fixed frequency shifters or for continuous frequency tuning.

Applications Optical frequency modulators are essential in various fields:

- Optical communications:** Encoding data onto light for high-speed fiber-optic transmission.
- Laser spectroscopy:** Shifting laser frequencies for precise measurement of atomic and molecular transitions.
- Laser stabilization and metrology:** Controlling laser frequency for interferometry and high-precision measurements.
- Pulse shaping and Q-switching:** M...

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An acousto-optic modulator (AOM), also called a Bragg cell or an acousto-optic deflector (AOD), uses the acousto-optic effect to diffract and shift the frequency of light using sound waves (usually at radio

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Variable and Flexible Optical Frequency Comb Source

We demonstrated experimentally a variable optical frequency comb source using a cascaded dual parallel Mach Zehnder modulator (DPMZM) and a phase modulator (PM). With this

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Short-Pulse Properties of Optical Frequency Comb Generators

An optical frequency comb generator, based on a simple electro-optic modulator in an optical resonator, can produce high-repetition-rate picosecond pulses. Unlike conventional

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