

# **TFN** Narrowband Tunable Optical Filter



The TFN Narrowband Tunable Optical Filter combines TeraXion's fiber Bragg grating (FBG) technology and a thermally tunable platform to create a tunable filter with unprecedented stability and resolution. The compact and reliable TFN is available in two models: reflection (R) and transmission-reflection (T+R). The narrowband option enables bandwidths from 2 GHz to 100 GHz, and the ultra-narrowband option enables bandwidths from 2 GHz to 100 GHz, and the ultra-narrowband option enables bandwidths from 2 GHz to 100 GHz, and the ultra-narrowband option enables bandwidths from 2 GHz to 100 GHz, and the ultra-narrowband option enables bandwidths from 2 GHz to 100 GHz, and the ultra-narrowband option enables bandwidths from 35 MHz to 500 MHz.

Both models feature wavelength tuning resolution of 2 pm (250 MHz at 1550 nm) over a range of +/- 30 GHz around the center wavelength.

The TFN tunable optical filter has been specifically designed for high-precision applications that require a high-optical isolation coupled with precise and accurate narrowband filtering. It provides excellent sideband filtering and carrier suppression, making this tunable filter ideal for RF over fiber, advanced fiber-optic sensing systems and quantum applications.

# **Top 6 Features**

- Ultra-Narrow Bandwidth: Supports bandwidths as narrow as 35 MHz.
- **Precision Tuning:** Tunable over a range of ±30 GHz around the center frequency with a resolution of 2 pm.
- **High Optical Isolation:** Narrowband models can reach optical isolation higher than 25 dB.
- **Sharp-Edged:** Both the narrowband flat-top filter and ultra-narrowband notch filter have sharp-edged spectra for precision wavelength filtering.
- **Flexible:** Can be cascaded to separate, redirect, and combine different wavelength peaks.
- **Easy Integration:** Comes equipped with control software that makes this tunable filter ready-made for advanced fiber-optic systems requiring precise tuning and excellent sideband suppression.



## Filter Profile Examples, Usage and Applications



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Optical Specifications	Narrowband Configuration	Ultra-narrowband Configuration	Units
Single center wavelength $\lambda$ @25°C (referenced to vacuum) $^{\scriptscriptstyle (1)}$	700 – 2100	1525 – 1570	nm
Bandwidth	2 - 100	0.035 - 0.5	GHz
Reflectivity	50 - 99.9+	N/A <sup>(2)</sup>	%
Side Mode Suppression Ratio (SMSR)	> 20	N/A	dB
Power handling	500 <sup>(3)</sup>	10 - 40	mW
Typical insertion loss	< 3.5 (3)	< 2	dB
Fiber type	PM or non-PM	PM	
Tuning range	±30		GHz
Tuning resolution		2	pm
Isolation	20 -	- 70 (4)	dB
Polarization extinction ratio	>	20	dB
(1) Other center wavelengths available on request			

(2) Notch optimized for transmission

(3) Including circulator

(4) Per FBG; BW/2 + 10GHz (~10 GHz from edge)

Other Specifications	Values	Units
Operating temperature	-5 to 65	°C
Storage temperature	-40 to 85	°C
Control interface	I <sup>2</sup> C	
Voltage	5	V
Typical power consumption	3	W
R module dimensions	130 x 22 x 14	mm
T+R standard module dimensions	150 x 54 x 19.5	mm
T+R compact module dimensions	158 x 25 x 16	mm
RoHS compliance	Yes	



Reflection (R) module



Transmission + Reflection (T+R) standard module



Transmission + Reflection (T+R) compact module



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