

Bandwidth-Variable Tunable Filter

Electrically-Controllable Wavelength- and Bandwidth-Tunable Optical Filter

CVF-200

Key Features

- Bandwidth variable from 0.1nm to 13nm
- Center wavelength tunable from 1525nm to 1570nm
- Ideal flat-top response with sharp roll-off >150dB/nm
- Out-of-band suppression of typically 50dB
- Negligible chromatic dispersion of typically 0.4ps/nm
- Low insertion loss, low polarization dependency
- Front-panel control or external control via RS232/USB

Wavelength: 1525 – 1570 nm
 Bandwidth: 0.1 – 13 nm
 Roll-Off: > 150 dB/nm



The CVF-200 wavelength/bandwidth tunable filter is an electrically-controllable optical bandpass filter. The center wavelength is tunable over 1525nm to 1570nm, and the filter bandwidth is independently tunable from 0.1nm to 13nm. The filter response is an ideal flat-top profile with an extremely sharp roll-off at the filter edges of >150dB/nm, providing a strong out-of-band suppression of typically 50dB.

The CVF-200 has special optical design to offer a negligible chromatic dispersion within the passband regardless of the tuning position. It also has a low insertion loss and PDL. The filter can be controlled manually through the front-panel LCD and tuning knob, as well as externally controlled via RS232 or USB.

Applications

- Factory test and inspection automation
- Narrowband DWDM filtering down to 0.1nm
- Wideband CWDM/OTDM filtering up to 13nm
- Optical signal selection with strong rejection ratio
- Dispersion-free spectral filtering for short pulses
- Adaptive filtering of optical signals

Typical Characteristics

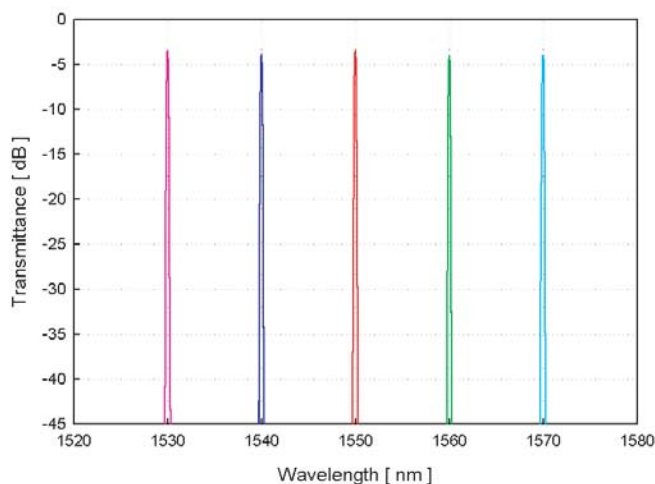


Fig. 1 Filter set at 0.2nm bandwidth tuning across 40nm range.

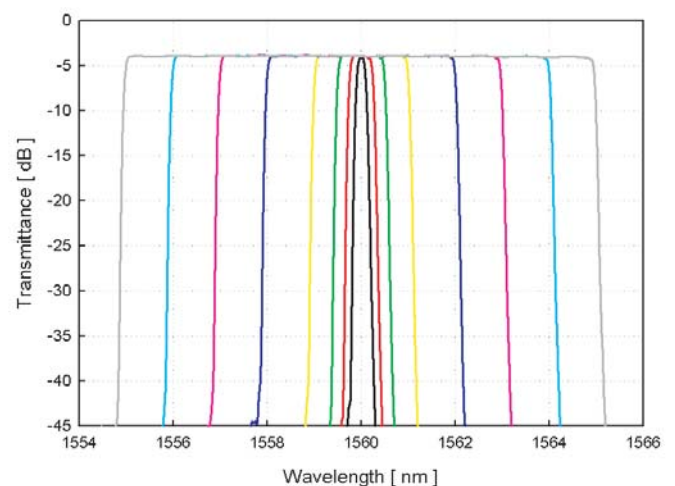


Fig. 2 Bandwidth tuned from 0.1nm to 13nm.

Specifications

Parameter	Specification			Unit
	Min.	Typ.	Max.	
Center Wavelength Tunability	1525		1570	nm
Bandwidth@-3dB	0.1		13.0	nm
Bandwidth@-20dB	0.3		13.25	nm
Bandwidth@-30dB	0.4		13.3	nm
Wavelength Accuracy		$<\pm 0.05$		nm
Wavelength Repeatability ¹		$<\pm 0.01$		nm
Filter-Edge Roll-Off	150	200		dB/nm
Insertion Loss ² Bandwidth@-3dB >0.2nm		3.5	5.0	dB
	Bandwidth@-3dB 0.1nm		5.0	6.5
Insertion Loss Uniformity		0.5		dB
Return Loss	40	45		dB
Out-Band Suppression (OBS)	40	50		dB
In-Band Dispersion (GVD) ³	-1	0.4	+1	ps/nm
Polarization Dependent Loss		0.25		dB
Polarization Mode Dispersion		0.3		ps
Maximum Input Power		600		mW
Optical Connector	FC or SC, SPC or APC			
Interface	RS-232 or USB			
Dimensions (W x H x D)	236 x 88 x 405			mm
Weight	7.5			kg

Note: The above specifications are subjected to change without prior notice. Please contact Alnair Labs for more details and latest updates.

1. Ambient temperature at 25 +/-1 degree C. 2. Insertion loss exclusive of input/output connector loss. 3. Group Velocity Dispersion. Wavelength region within the 1dB bandwidth of the filter.

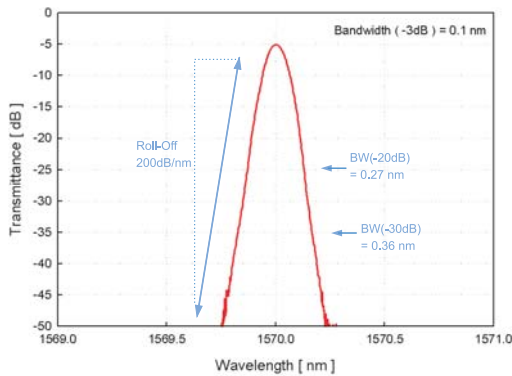
Typical Performance


Fig. 3 Spectral shape of the CVF-200 at 0.1nm bandwidth.

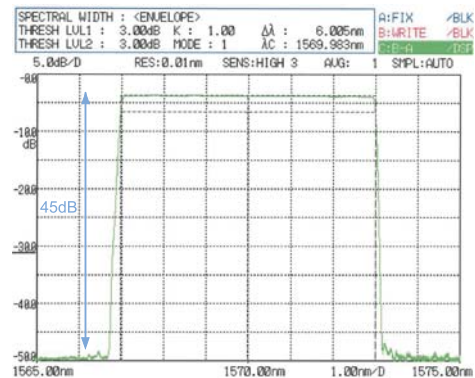


Fig. 4 Spectral shape at 6.0nm bandwidth with >45dB OBS.

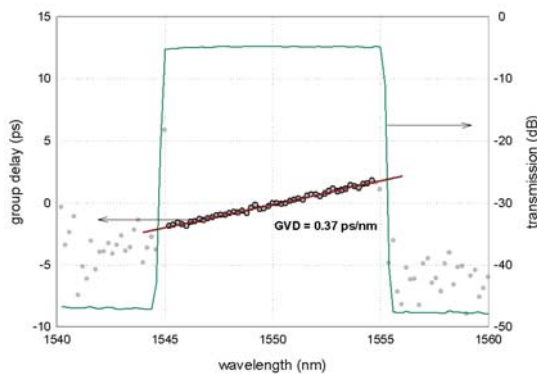


Fig. 5 Filter spectra tuned across C-band at 6nm bandwidth.

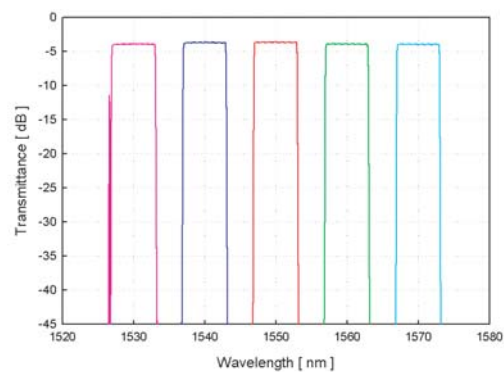


Fig. 6 Filter in-band group delay dispersion at 10nm bandwidth.

Ordering Information

CVF-200 - -
 Fiber Type Connector Type

Fiber Type Code	Connector Type Code	
SM: Standard Single Mode	FS: FC/SPC	SS: SC/SPC
PM: Polarization Maintaining	FA: FC/APC	SA: SC/APC

* Customized filters are also available. Please contact Alnair Labs for specific requirements.