**CHAPTERS** 

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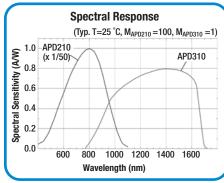
## **APD Series of High-Sensitivity Avalanche Photodetectors**



## Applications

- Detection of Fast Laser Pulses
- For Beat Signals of Low-Level Inputs
- LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging)
- Testing of Optical Components

Menlo Systems' Avalanche Photodetector (APD) series provides an extremely lightsensitive alternative to traditional PIN

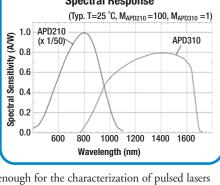


## **Features**

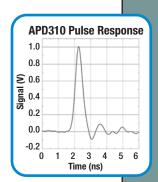
- High-Speed Response up to 1 GHz
- Continuously Adjustable Gain
- 400 1000 nm and 850 - 1650 nm Wavelength Ranges Available
- SM05 Threaded for Lens Tube and Cage Assembly Integration

photodiodes. The APDs are sensitive and fast enough for the characterization of pulsed lasers on the the order of nanoseconds. The silicon avalanche photodiode of the APD210 provides exceptional performance for low-light applications in the 400 - 1000 nm range, while the APD310 covers the InGaAs range of 850 - 1650 nm. The APD maintains high-gain stability over the operating temperature range by utilizing a temperature-compensation circuit, which adjusts the ~150 VDC bias to ensure operation near the breakdown voltage.

A 40 dB gain amplifier is integrated into the package and is AC-coupled to band the output BNC. The output is matched to a 50  $\Omega$  impedance. The detector has an electronic width of 1 MHz to 1 GHz and offers a user-accessible potentiometer, providing a continuous gain adjustment. The APD series has SM05 (0.535"-40) threads for easy integration into Thorlabs' entire family of lens tubes and cage assemblies. The bottom of the detector has a metric (M4) mounting hole and an M4 to 8-32 adapter is provided for post mounting. The compact packaging allows the APD to be substituted directly into an existing setup while maintaining a small footprint on the benchtop. These photodetectors are not suitable for pulses longer than 30 ns or continuous light levels. Please see the FPD510 series on page 1541 for alternatives.



APD	210 Pulse Response
1.0	
0.8	A
€ 0.6	
Signal (	
0.2	
0.0	
-0.2	V
0	1 2 3 4 5 6 Time (ns)



Specifications	APD210	APD310		
Optical Input	Free-Space <sup>a</sup>	Free Space <sup>a</sup>		
Supply Voltage	12 - 15 V <sup>b</sup>	12 - 15 V <sup>b</sup>		
Current Consumption	200 mA	200 mA		
Incident Power (Max)	10 mW	10 mW		
Operating Temperature	10 - 40 °C	10 - 40 °C		
Spectral Range	400 - 1000 nm	850 - 1650 nm		
Detector Diameter	0.5 mm	0.03 mm		
Frequency Range	1 - 1600 MHz	1 - 1800 MHz		
3 dB Bandwidth	5 - 1000 MHz	5 - 1000 MHz		
Rise Time	500 ps	500 ps		
Gain Step Size	2500 V/W @ 1 GHz, 800 nm	250 V/W @ 1 GHz, 1500 nm		
Gain (Max) <sup>c</sup>	2.5 x 10 <sup>5</sup> V/W @ 1 GHz, 800 nm	2.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup> V/W @ 1 GHz, 1500 nm		
Dark State Noise Level <sup>d</sup>	-80 dBm	-80 dBm		
NEP (Calculated)	0.4 pW/√Hz	2 pW/√Hz		
Output Connectors	BNC	BNC		
Output Impedance	50 Ω	50 Ω		
Device Dimensions	60 mm x 56 mm x 47.5 mm	60 mm x 56 mm x 47.5 mm		
Output Coupling	AC	AC		
<sup>a</sup> With adapter for Thorlabs' SM05 Mou	nt b Power Supply included with adapters for EU/USA	. Others available upon request.		

<sup>c</sup> Gain Adjustable via Push Buttons

d Span: 5 MHz, Resolution Bandwidth 3 kHz

ITEM #	\$	£	€	RMB	DESCRIPTION
APD210	\$ 2,069.00	£ 1,489.70	€ 1.800,00	¥ 16,489.93	High-Speed Avalanche Detector, 1000 MHz, 400 - 1000 nm
APD310	\$ 2,241.40	£ 1,613.80	€ 1.950,00	¥ 17,863.96	High-Speed Avalanche Detector, 1000 MHz, 850 - 1650 nm

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## SECTIONS V

**CW Fiber Lasers** 

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