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HL843x Series DC Blocks (7 kHz to 67 GHz)

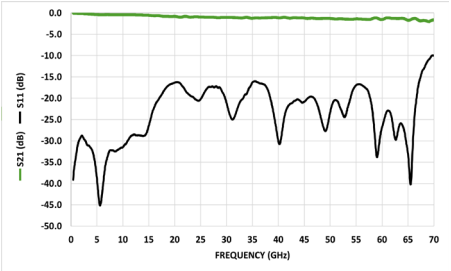
Features and Technical Specifications[1] (HL8437 shown)

Bandwidth	7 kHz to > 67 GHz (opt. -220)
Amplitude Match	± 0.2 dB, typ., (opt. -M) See *Fig. 1*
Phase Match	± 4°, f = 40 GHz (opt. -M)
Insertion Loss	< 1.5 dB See *Figs. 1-2*
Return Loss	15 dB, f ≤ 50 GHz 12 dB, f > 50 GHz See *Fig. 3*
Breakdown Voltage	200 V, max (opt. -1.5) 16 V, max (opt. -100) 10 V, max (opt. -220)
Group Delay	≈ 125 ps See *Fig. 4*
Rise Time (10-90%)	5 ps, all options
Connectors (PORT 1 / PORT 2)	1.85 mm, jack/jack (opt. -JJ) 1.85 mm, jack/plug (opt. -JP) 1.85 mm, plug/plug (opt. -PP)
Temperature Limits	-40° to +70° C, operating
RoHS Compliant	Yes, assembled with lead-free solder
REACH Compliant	Yes
Warranty	1 year, see website

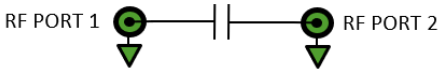
NOTE 1 - Unless otherwise noted, the specifications in this table are typical for Model Number HL8437 using the standard connector configuration (jack/plug). Full specifications for this and related models are available on Page 2 of this datasheet.



HL8437, opt. -M-JP shown



Typical HL8437 Insertion and Return Loss



HL843x Schematic and Port Assignments

PRODUCT SUMMARY

The HL843x series are ultra-broadband DC Blocks with a typical insertion loss of < 1.5 dB throughout the specified bandwidth range.

The DC block will remove DC bias from the input signal to prevent damage to DC-sensitive devices or equipment.

These devices are suitable for use in 112 Gbps PAM4 communications systems, optical communication systems, high-speed data systems, level shifting, cascading, and interfacing between devices with incompatible DC operating points.

They can also be used to improve RF power measurements when a power meter with DC sensitivities is used.

These DC blocks use ceramic-based capacitors that provide a lower frequency cutoff, but with less thermal and voltage stability than silicon capacitors found in the HL943x series DC blocks.

MODELS & OPTIONS

The following models are available:

HL8435, 50 GHz
HL8437, 67 GHz

The following options need to be specified:

-M, matched pair
-U, unmatched part(s)

-1.5, 1.5 nF
-100, 100 nF
-220, 220 nF

-JJ, jack RF 1 and RF 2
-JP, jack RF 1, plug RF 2
-PP, plug RF 1 and RF 2

HL843x Full Specifications

Parameter	HL8435	HL8437	Comments
Upper Frequency Limit	50 GHz	67 GHz	
Lower Frequency Limit See *Fig. 2*	1.1 MHz (opt. -1.5) 16 kHz (opt. -100) 7 kHz (opt. -220)	1.1 MHz (opt. -1.5) 16 kHz (opt. -100) 7 kHz (opt. -220)	
Amplitude Match See *Fig. 1*	± 0.1 dB	± 0.2 dB	opt. -M
Phase Match	± 4°, f = 40 GHz	± 4°, f = 40 GHz	opt. -M
Insertion Loss *See Fig. 1*	< 1.5 dB typ, < 2 dB max	< 1.5 dB typ, < 2 dB max	
Return Loss *See Fig. 3*	15 dB	15 dB, f ≤ 50 GHz 12 dB, f > 50 GHz	
Rise Time	7 ps	5 ps	
Group Delay *See Fig. 4*	100 ps	125 ps	
Breakdown Voltage	200 V, max (opt. -1.5) 16 V, max (opt. -100) 10 V, max (opt. -220)	200 V, max (opt. -1.5) 16 V, max (opt. -100) 10 V, max (opt. -220)	
Capacitance	1.5 nF ± 10% (opt. -1.5) 100 nF ± 10% (opt. -100) 220 nF ± 15% (opt. -220)	1.5 nF ± 10% (opt. -1.5) 100 nF ± 10% (opt. -100) 220 nF ± 15% (opt. -220)	Ceramic
Impedance	50 Ω	50 Ω	Input and Output
Maximum Input Power	+30 dBm	+30 dBm	
Connectors (PORT 1 / PORT 2)	2.4 mm, jack-jack 2.4 mm, jack-plug 2.4 mm, plug-plug	1.85 mm, jack-jack 1.85 mm, jack-plug 1.85 mm, plug-plug	According to specified option -JJ, -JP, or -PP
Dimensions (W x D x H)	1.29” x 0.535” x 0.525” 32.8 x 13.59 x 13.34 mm	1.11” x 0.535” x 0.525” 28.2 x 13.59 x 13.34 mm	Package including connectors
Weight	8 g (0.28 oz.)	8 g (0.28 oz.)	

NOTE - All specifications are based on test results using the standard connector configuration (-JP, jack/plug). Specifications may vary slightly for other configurations.

HL834x Plot Diagrams

Figures 1-4 show the typical S-parameter characteristics for an HL8347 opt. -100. Figure 2 compares the low frequency response for all options. The eye diagrams in *Figures 5-6* show a 56 Gbps PRBS11 pattern passed through an HL8437. Other models show similar performance within their respective specified bandwidths.

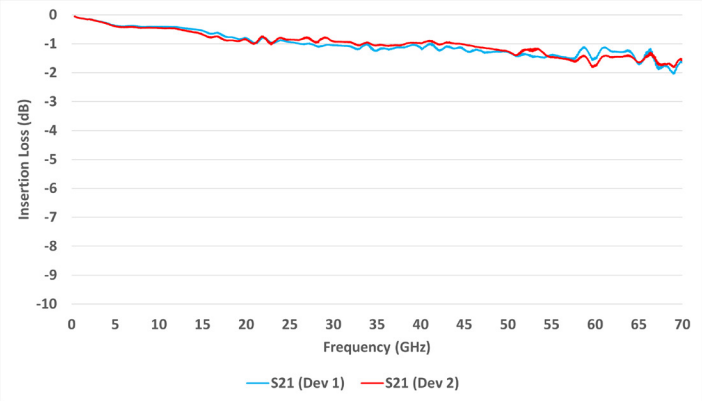


Figure 1: Typical HL8437 Insertion loss and Amplitude Match

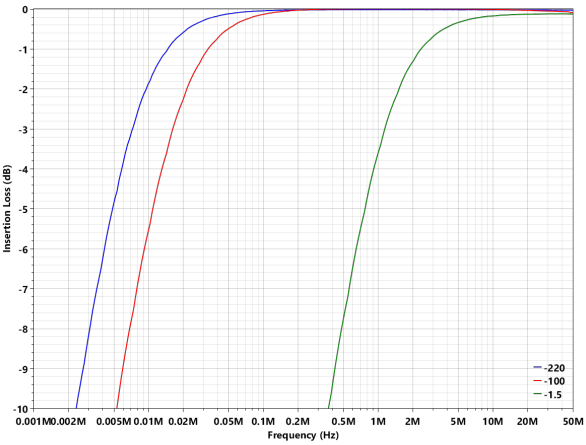


Figure 2: Typical HL8437 Low-frequency Performance

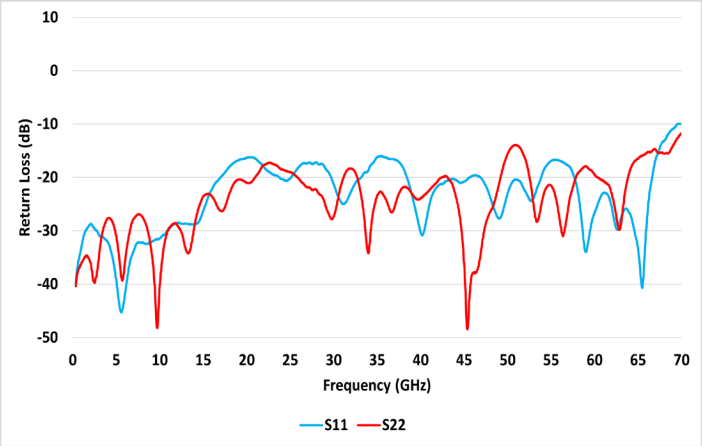


Figure 3: Typical HL8437 Return Loss

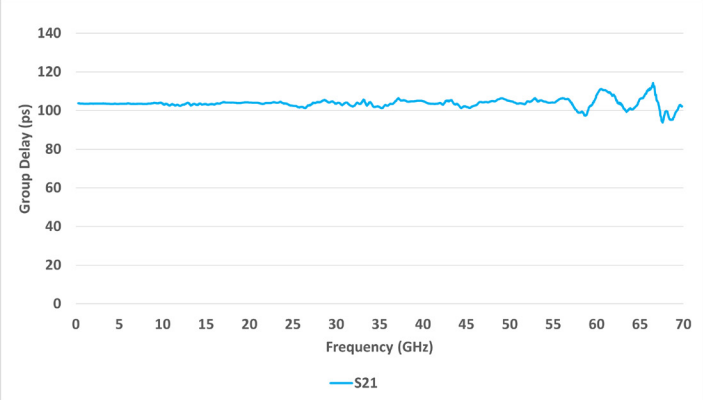


Figure 4: Typical HL8437 Group Delay

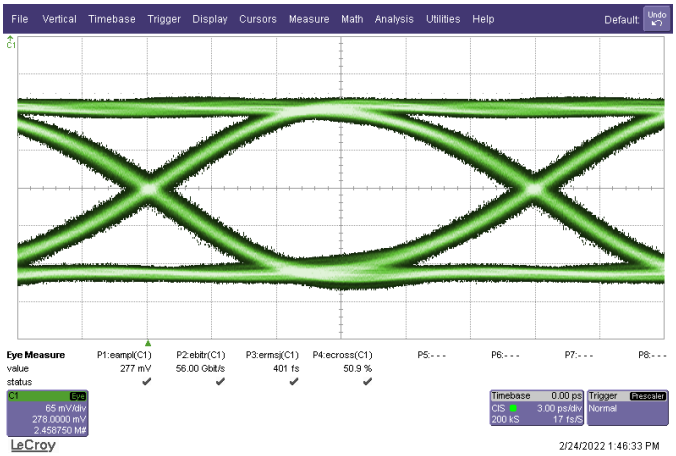


Figure 5: HL8437 56 Gpbs PRBS 11, RF Input

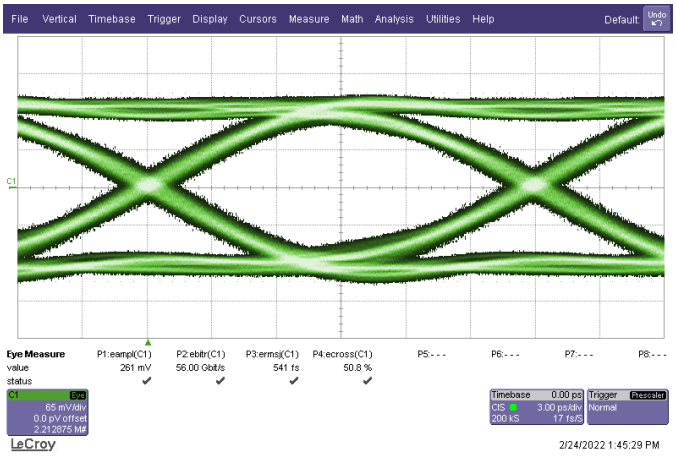


Figure 6: HL8437 56 Gpbs PRBS 11, RF Output

HL843x Dimensional Drawing

Figure 7 shows a mechanical drawing of an HL8437. Unless otherwise noted, all units are in inches. Other models vary in width based on connectors. See page 2 for full dimensions.

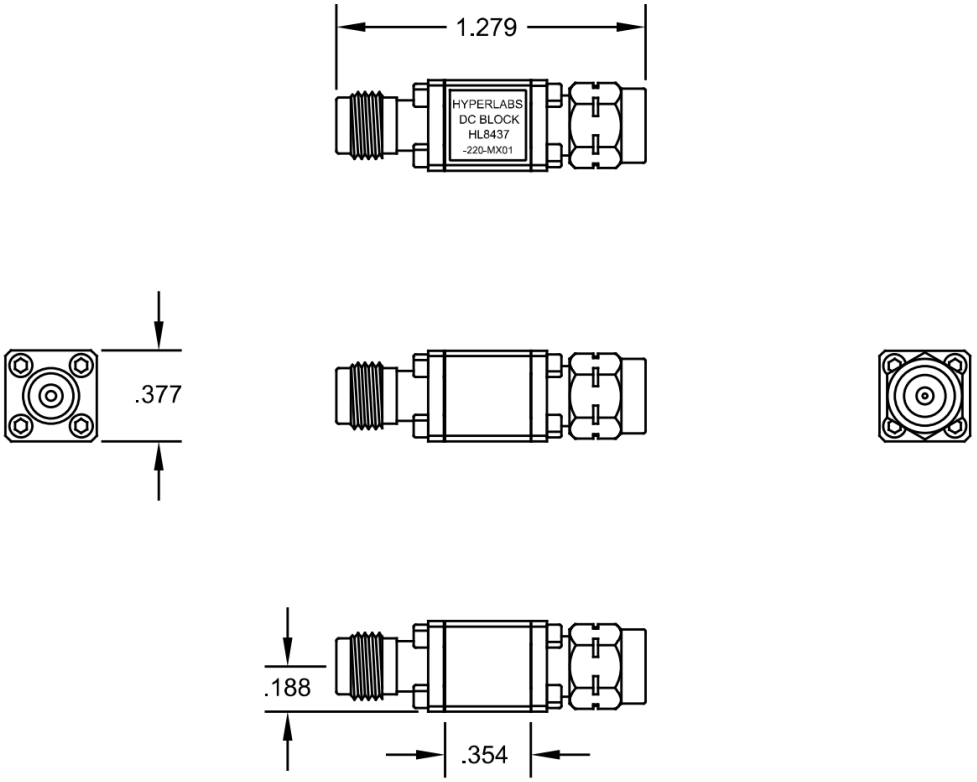


Fig 7: HL8437 Mechanical Drawing