With multiple local oscillators, this Ku-band block downconverter (BDC) gives you the flexibility to switch between different Ku frequency bands according to your region of operation. It provides IF bandwidth of up to 1.05 GHz – and delivers market-leading performance for broadband Ku satellite communications (SATCOM). Like all Orbital BDCs, this product supports high data rate applications with low bit error rates.

- External referenced for stability
- Low phase noise for maximum data throughput
- Preset signal gains from 20 to 45 dB
- Linearity for higher-order modulation schemes
- Options for temperatures up to 70°C

**Applications**

Our Ku-band BDC with multiple local oscillators (LO) is designed for military and commercial SATCOM applications, including large satellite teleports, earth stations, comms-on-the-move – and anywhere a user wants to access a Ku satellite’s entire spectrum.

An airborne version is also available.

Unlike an LNB, BDCs are used after an external low noise amplifier (LNA). This means you can connect multiple BDCs to a single LNA without affecting the noise figure of the system. BDCs let you receive signals from the entire satellite spectrum – with IF outputs at appropriate frequencies for your demodulators.
**FREQUENCY RANGE**

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<td>Input RF Freq GHz</td>
<td>10.7 to 11.7</td>
<td>11.7 to 12.75</td>
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<td>Output RF Freq MHz (options available)</td>
<td>950 to 1950</td>
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<td>Local Oscillators MHz (2 or more LO's per BDC – options available)</td>
<td>9.75</td>
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<td>LO Stability Locked to External Reference</td>
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**NOISE FIGURE**

10 dB typical @ 25°C

**VSUR**

Input 2.0:1 nominal

Output 1.5:1 nominal

**GAIN**

Gain 20 to 45 dB in 5 dB steps

Flatness +/- 0.75 dB over any 27 MHz

Ripple +/- 0.15 dB per 10 MHz

Stability +/- 0.25 dB max over 24 hours @ +25°C

**ENVIRONMENTAL**

Operating Temp -40°C to +60°C

Operating Altitude 10,000 ft. ASL

Operating Relative Humidity 100% Condensing

Standards RoHS & REACH

**INTERFACES**

Input SMA (S)

Output N (N) or SMA (S)

**PHASE NOISE MIL-STD-188-164**

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**POWER**

DC In +16 to +26 VDC

Current Draw 280 mA max

Interface via IF Connector

**OPTIONS**

DC Level Band Switching (-DCS ordering option)

Push Button Band Switching (-PBS ordering option)

Open Collector Input Band Switching (-OCS ordering option)

Remote Data Connection for M&C via Micro DB9 (-RDC ordering option)

Extended Temp to +70°C (-ET ordering option)

Improved Gain Over Temp (-GT ordering option)

**OTHER SPECS**

LO Leakage - Output -45 dBm min

LO Leakage - Input -45 dBm max

Image Rejection max -40 dB min

P1 dB +10 dBm min, +15 optional

OIP3 +20 dBm min, +25 optional

Overdrive -20 dBm (non-damaging)

Weight 450 grams

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Please contact Orbital Research for ordering information: sales@orbitalresearch.net

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¹ Power supplies must meet 100 mV maximum ripple and noise