



MPPC[®]

Multi-Pixel **Photon** Counter

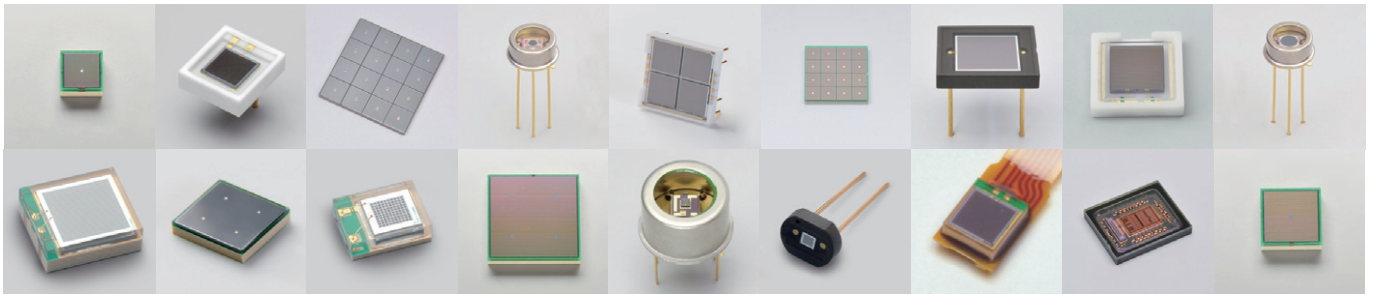
Photosensors with excellent photon-counting capability

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What is MPPC[®] ?



The MPPC (multi-pixel photon counter) is a type of photosensor called SiPM (silicon photomultiplier). It is a photon-counting device using multiple APD (avalanche photodiode) pixels operating in Geiger mode. Although essentially an opto-semiconductor device, it has excellent light receiving capability and can be used in various applications for detecting extremely weak light at the photon counting level. The MPPC operates on low voltage and features high gain, high photon detection efficiency, high-speed response, excellent time resolution, and wide spectral response range. It achieves the high-level performance required in photon counting. It is also immune to magnetic fields, highly resistant to mechanical shocks and the like, and will not suffer from “burn-in” by incident light saturation, which are advantages unique to solid-state devices.



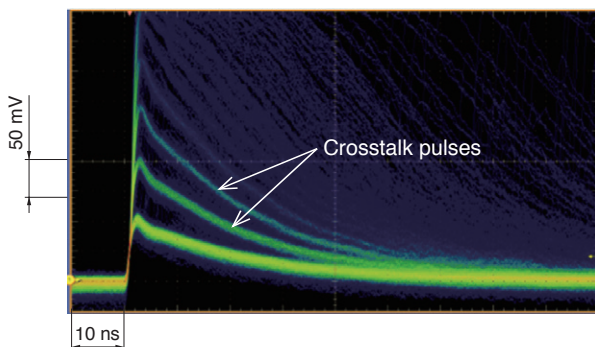
• Features of MPPC

When an MPPC detects photons, the output may contain false signals, namely afterpulse and crosstalk, that are separate from the output pulses of the incident photons. Hamamatsu MPPC maintains high photon detection efficiency while featuring low afterpulse, low crosstalk, and low dark count.

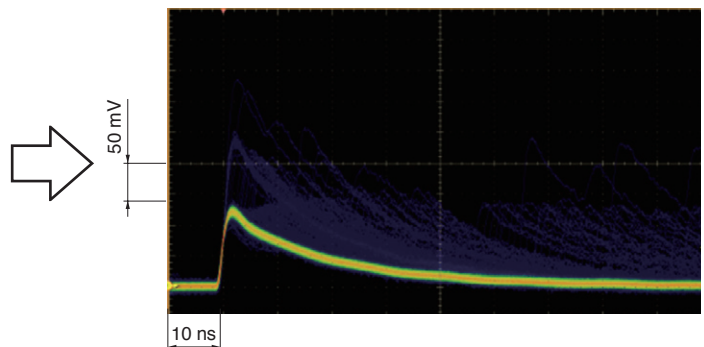
FEATURE 1 Low crosstalk

The pixel that detects photons may affect other pixels, making them produce pulses separate from output pulses. This phenomenon is called crosstalk. MPPC employs a structure that suppresses the occurrence of crosstalk.

■ Previous product (3 × 3 mm, 50 μm pitch)



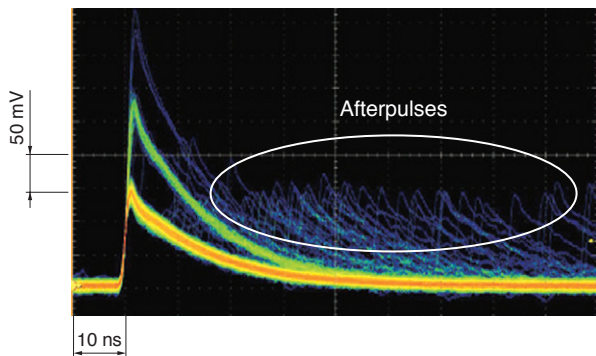
■ Current product S13360-3050CS (3 × 3 mm, 50 μm pitch)



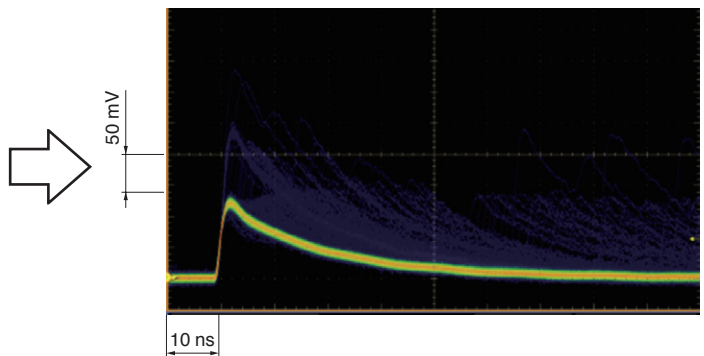
FEATURE 2 Low afterpulses

While an MPPC detects photons, delayed signals may be output separately from the output pulses. These signals are called afterpulses. Hamamatsu MPPC has low afterpulses.

■ Previous product (3 × 3 mm, 50 μm pitch)



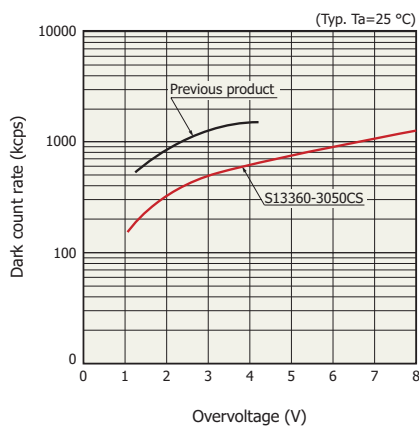
■ Current product S13360-3050CS (3 × 3 mm, 50 μm pitch)



FEATURE 3 Low dark count, high gain, high photon detection efficiency

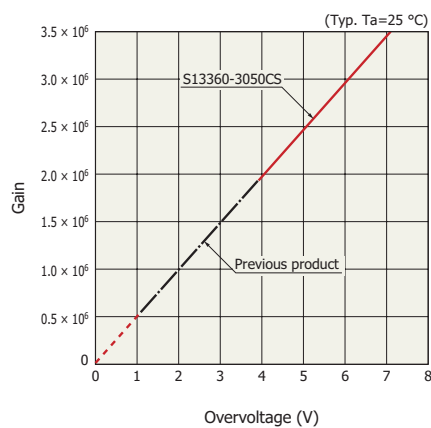
Improvements in materials and wafer process technology have reduced the dark count down to approximately half that of previous products.

■ Dark count rate vs. overvoltage



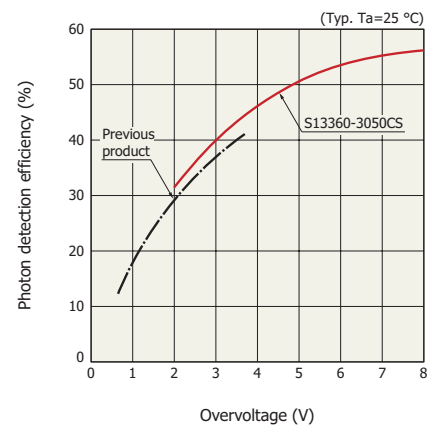
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■ Gain vs. overvoltage



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■ Photon detection efficiency vs. overvoltage



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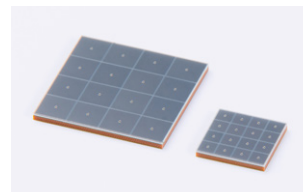
MPPC lineup

Hamamatsu offers a lineup of MPPCs that support a spectral range from vacuum ultraviolet (VUV) to near infrared (NIR), and also offers various element types, including multi-channel and thermoelectric cooling.


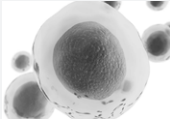

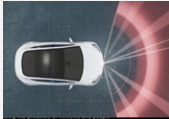






Choose from products suitable for various applications, including academic or research purposes, analytical equipment, PET scanners, and LiDAR.



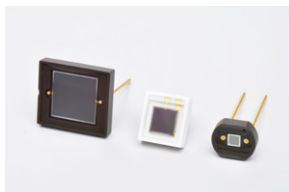
Single-channel MPPC



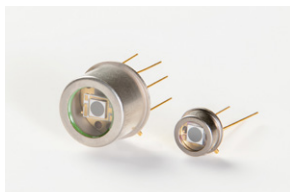
Multi-channel MPPC

Applications Measurement wavelength	Academic research 	Measuring instruments (Flow cytometers, Microscopes, etc.) 	PET scanners 	LiDAR 
VUV/UV	P.28 For academic research experiments			
VIS	P.8~ For wide dynamic range S14160 series 		P.11 For PET scanners S14160 / S14161 series 	
	P.12~ For precision measurement S13360 / S13362 series 			
	P.18~ For precision measurement (TSV type) S13615 / S13360 / S13361 series 			
VIS to NIR		P.22~ For visible light S14420 / S14422 series 		
NIR				P.26~ For near infrared S13720 series 

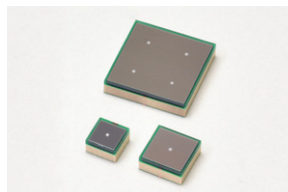
• Package option



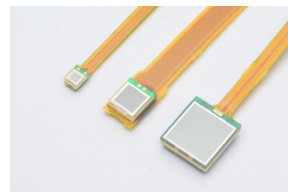
Ceramic package




Metal package



Surface mount



With flexible cable

Contents Measurement wavelength	MPPC			Package options				Module type (MPPC module) 
	Page no.	Type no.	Channel type	Ceramic package	Metal package	Surface mount	With flexible cable	
VUV/UV	Please consult us about VUV/UV MPPC.							
VIS	P.8	S14160 series	Single-channel			✓	✓ Option	✓
	P.11	S14161 series	Multi-channel			✓		
	P.12	S13360 series	Single-channel	✓	✓	✓		✓
	P.16	S13362 series	<div>TE-cooled</div> Single-channel		✓			✓
	P.18	S13615 series	Multi-channel			✓		✓
	P.20	S13360 series (TSV type)	Single-channel			✓	✓ Option	
		S13361 series	Multi-channel			✓		✓
VIS to NIR	P.22	S14420 series	Single-channel		✓			✓
	P.24	S14422 series	<div>TE-cooled</div> Single-channel		✓			✓
NIR	P.26	S13720 series	Single-channel	✓		✓		✓

MPPC module lineup

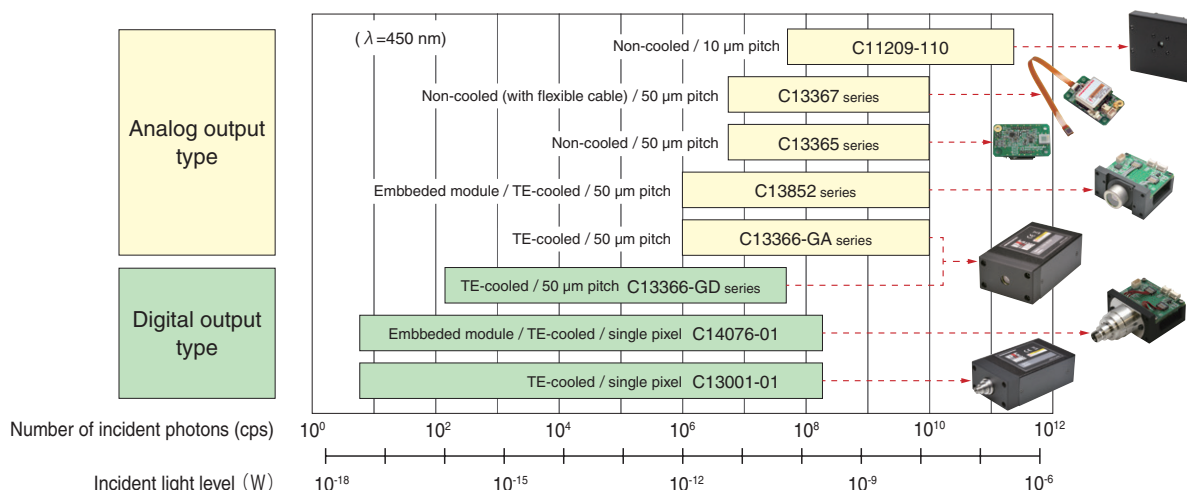
An MPPC module is a light detection module with a built-in MPPC. In addition to the MPPC, it is equipped with an amplifier and high-voltage power supply circuit, so all it needs is a power supply to perform measurement. This module can be integrated into various devices or used for simple evaluation. We offer various product types, including low dark count cooled modules, uncooled modules with a temperature compensation function, and array modules with multi-channel MPPC. We also provide custom-made products to meet customer specifications.



MPPC modules

There are 2 types of output for MPPC modules. Select either the analog output type or digital output type, according to the incident light level.

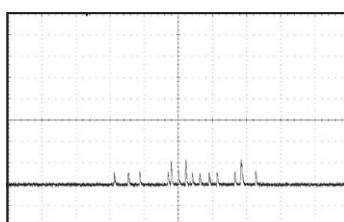
■ Pulse waveform comparison (typical example)



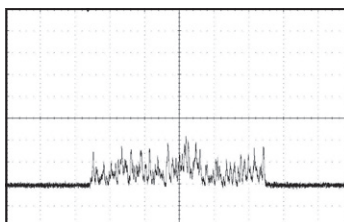
The following output waveforms show MPPC output waveforms measured at different incident light levels and observed on an oscilloscope. The incident light level was increased in the order of (a), (b), and (c), starting from (a) at very low light levels. The output signal of (a) consists of discrete pulses. In this state, selecting the digital output type allows measuring at a higher S/N, where the signals are binarized and the number of pulses is digitally counted. Since the digital output type can easily subtract the dark count from the signal, the detection limit is determined by dark count fluctuations.

As the light level increases, the output waveform consists of pulses overlapping each other [Figures (b) and (c)]. In this state, the number of pulses cannot be counted and the analog output type should be selected to measure the analog output and find the average value.

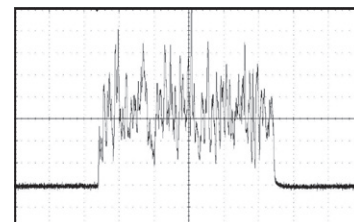
■ Pulse waveform comparison (typical example)



(a) Very low light level



(b) Low light level



(c) High light level



Product information

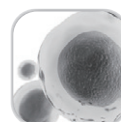
- VIS MPPC
- VIS to NIR MPPC
- NIR MPPC

For wide dynamic range

S14160 series



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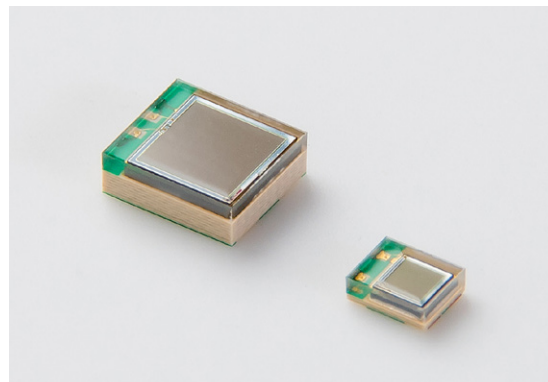
MEASUREMENT

FEATURES

- Small pixel pitch (10 μm / 15 μm)
- Wide dynamic range
- Low operating voltage ($V_{BR}=38\text{ V typ.}$)

APPLICATIONS

- High energy physics experiments
- Flow cytometers
- DNA sequencers
- Environmental analysis



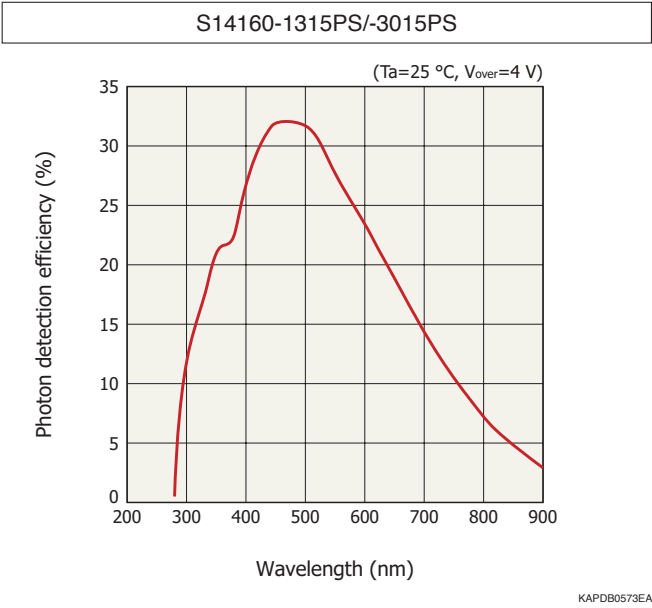
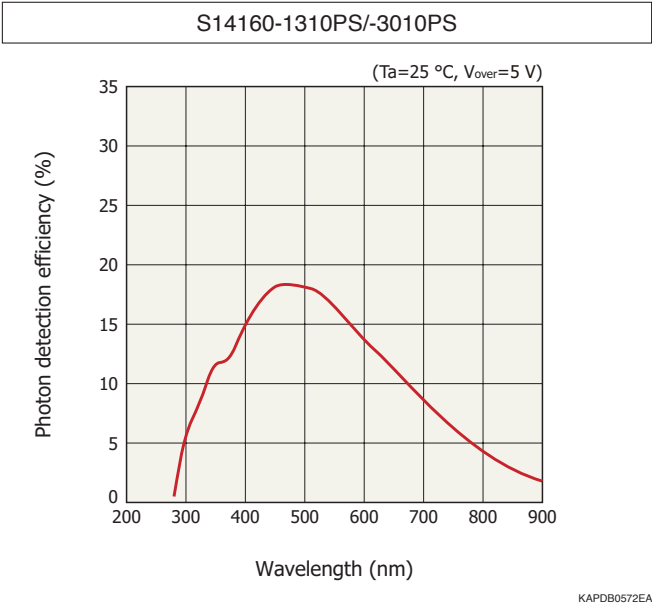
Structure

Type no.		Number of channel (ch)	Package	Pixel pitch (μm)	Effective photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels	Fill factor (%)
S14160	-1310PS	1	Surface mount type	10	1.3 \times 1.3	16663	31
	-3010PS				3.0 \times 3.0	89984	
	-1315PS			15	1.3 \times 1.3	7284	49
	-3015PS				3.0 \times 3.0	39984	

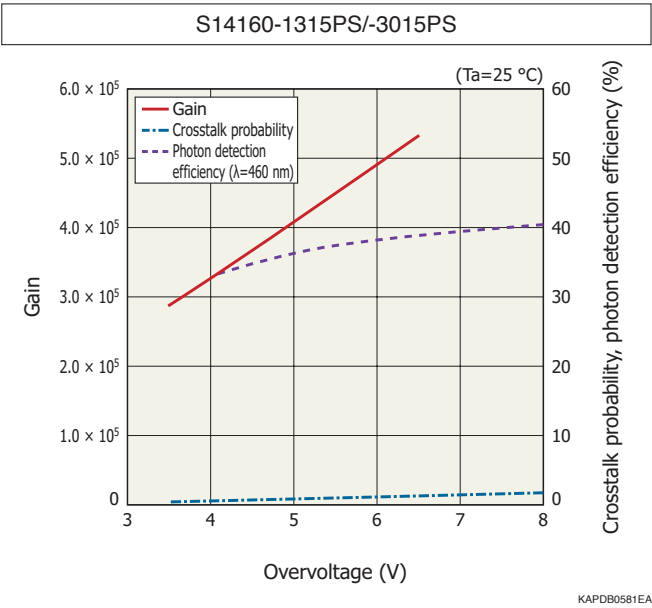
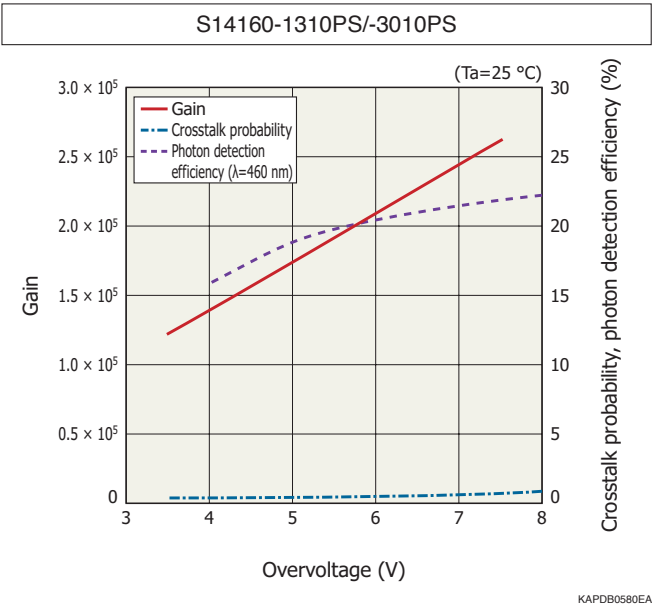
Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. $T_a=25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$)

Type no.		Photon detection efficiency $\lambda=\lambda_p$ (%)	Breakdown voltage (V)	Terminal capacitance (pF)	Dark count	
					Typ. (kcps)	Max. (kcps)
S14160	-1310PS	18	38	100	120	360
	-3010PS			530	700	2100
	-1315PS	32		100	120	360
	-3015PS			530	700	2100

■ Photon detection efficiency vs. wavelength (typical example)



■ Gain, crosstalk probability, photon detection efficiency vs. overvoltage (typical example)



Module type

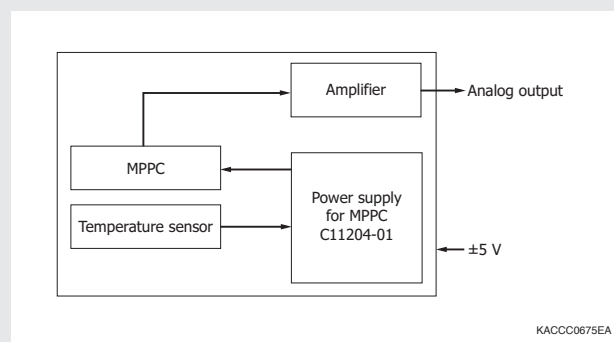
MPPC module C15522 series

■ Features

- Built-in VIS MPPC
(S14160 series: 10 μm / 15 μm pixel pitch)
- Built-in temperature compensation circuit
- Analog output



■ Block diagram



Type no.		Output	Type	Built-in MPPC			
				Type no.	Pixel pitch (μm)	Photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels
C15522	-1310SA	Analog	Non-cooled	S14160-1310PS	10	1.3 \times 1.3	16663
	-3010SA			S14160-3010PS		3.0 \times 3.0	89984
	-1315SA			S14160-1315PS	15	1.3 \times 1.3	7284
	-3015SA			S14160-3015PS		3.0 \times 3.0	39984

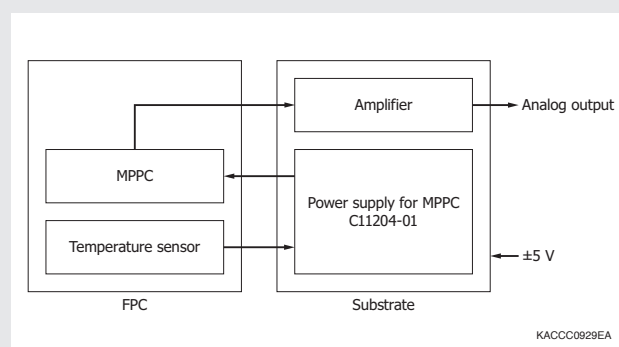
MPPC module C15524 series

■ Features

- Equipped with VIS MPPC
(S14160 series: 10 μm / 15 μm pixel pitch)
- With a flexible cable
- Built-in temperature compensation circuit
- Analog output



■ Block diagram



Type no.		Output	Type	Built-in MPPC			
				Type no.	Pixel pitch (μm)	Photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels
C15524	-1310SA	Analog	Non-cooled	S14160-1310PS	10	1.3 \times 1.3	16663
	-3010SA			S14160-3010PS		3.0 \times 3.0	89984
	-1315SA			S14160-1315PS	15	1.3 \times 1.3	7284
	-3015SA			S14160-3015PS		3.0 \times 3.0	39984

[VIS MPPC]

For PET scanners

S14160 / S14161 series

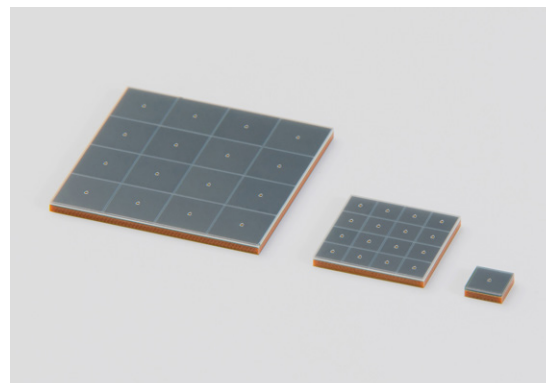


FEATURES

- Higher PDE (50% at λ_p , $V_{op}=V_{BR} + 2.7$ V)
- Small dead space in effective photosensitive area
- Low operating voltage ($V_{BR}=38$ V typ.)
- Resistance to a magnetic field environment

APPLICATIONS

- PET scanners
- Radiation monitors



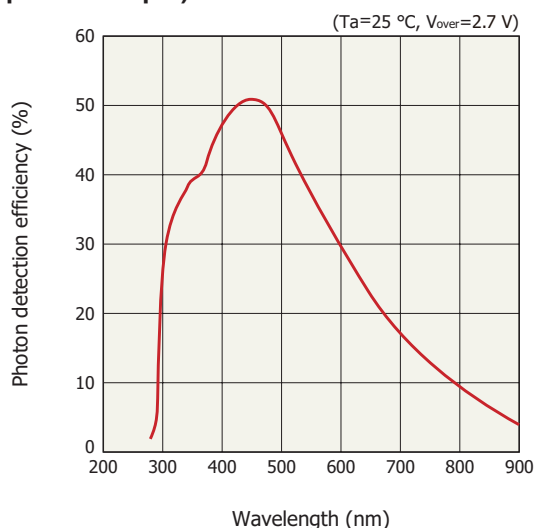
Structure

Type no.	Number of channels (ch)	Package	Pixel pitch (μm)	Effective photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels/ch	Fill factor (%)
S14160	-3050HS	Surface mount type	50	3.0 × 3.0	3531	74
	-4050HS			4.0 × 4.0	6331	
	-6050HS			6.0 × 6.0	14331	
S14161	-3050HS-04			3.0 × 3.0	3531	
	-3050HS-08			3.0 × 3.0	3531	
	-4050HS-06			4.0 × 4.0	6331	
	-6050HS-04			6.0 × 6.0	14331	

Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. $T_a=25^\circ\text{C}$)

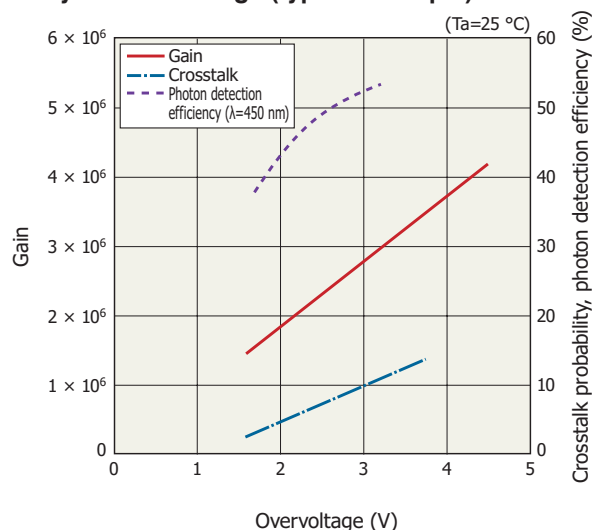
Type no.		Photon detection efficiency $\lambda=\lambda_p$ (%)	Breakdown voltage V_{BR} (V)	Terminal capacitance C_t (pF)	Dark count	
					Typ.(μ A)	Max.(μ A)
S14160/ S14161	-3050HS	50	38	500	0.6	1.8
	-3050HS-04					
	-3050HS-08					
	-4050HS			900	1.1	3.3
	-4050HS-06					
	-6050HS			2000	2.5	7.5
	-6050HS-04					

Photon detection efficiency vs. wavelength (typical example)



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Gain, crosstalk probability, photon detection efficiency vs. overvoltage (typical example)



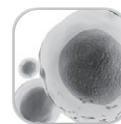
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For precision measurement

S13360 series



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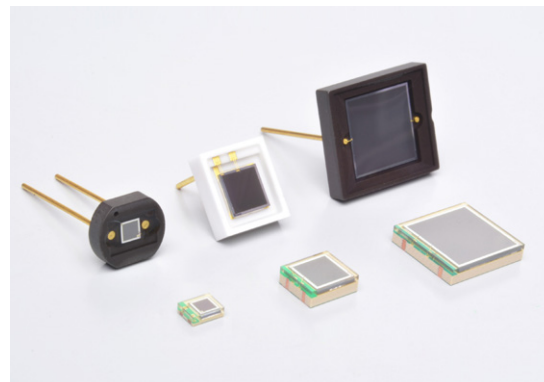
MEASUREMENT

FEATURES

- Wide variety of products
- Operates at room temperature

APPLICATIONS

- Fluorescence measurement
- DNA sequencers
- Laser microscopes
- Environmental analysis
- Flow cytometers
- Academic research



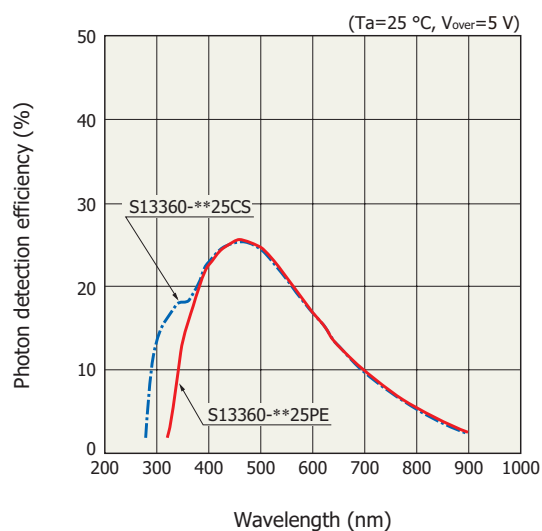
Structure

Type no.		Number of channel (ch)	Package	Pixel pitch (μm)	Effective photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels	Fill factor (%)
S13360	-1325CS	1	Ceramic	25	1.3 × 1.3	2668	47
	-1325PE		Surface mount type				
	-3025CS		Ceramic		3.0 × 3.0	14400	
	-3025PE		Surface mount type				
	-6025CS		Ceramic		6.0 × 6.0	57600	
	-6025PE		Surface mount type				
	-1350CS		Ceramic	50	1.3 × 1.3	667	74
	-1350PE		Surface mount type				
	-3050CS		Ceramic		3.0 × 3.0	3600	
	-3050PE		Surface mount type				
	-6050CS		Ceramic		6.0 × 6.0	14400	
	-6050PE		Surface mount type				
	-1375CS		Ceramic	75	1.3 × 1.3	285	82
	-1375PE		Surface mount type				
	-3075CS		Ceramic		3.0 × 3.0	1600	
	-3075PE		Surface mount type				
	-6075CS		Ceramic		6.0 × 6.0	6400	
	-6075PE		Surface mount type				

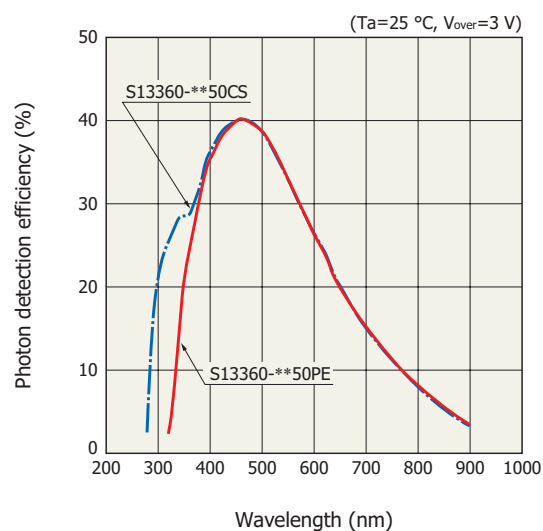
■ Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. Ta=25 °C)

Type no.		Photon detection efficiency $\lambda=\lambda_p$ (%)	Breakdown voltage (V)	Terminal capacitance (pF)	Dark count	
					Typ. (kcps)	Max. (kcps)
S13360	-1325CS	25	53 ± 5	60	70	210
	-1325PE					
	-3025CS			320	400	1200
	-3025PE					
	-6025CS			1280	1600	5000
	-6025PE					
	-1350CS	40		60	90	270
	-1350PE					
	-3050CS			320	500	1500
	-3050PE					
	-6050CS			1280	2000	6000
	-6050PE					
	-1375CS	50		60	90	270
	-1375PE					
	-3075CS			320	500	1500
	-3075PE					
	-6075CS			1280	2000	6000
	-6075PE					

■ Photon detection efficiency vs. wavelength (typical example)

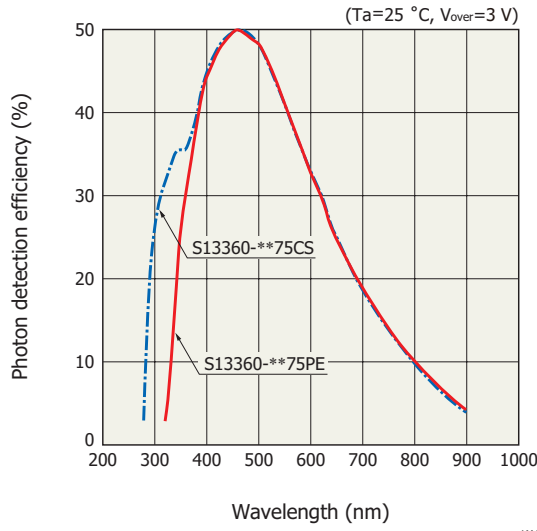
Pixel pitch: 25 μm 

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Pixel pitch: 50 μm 

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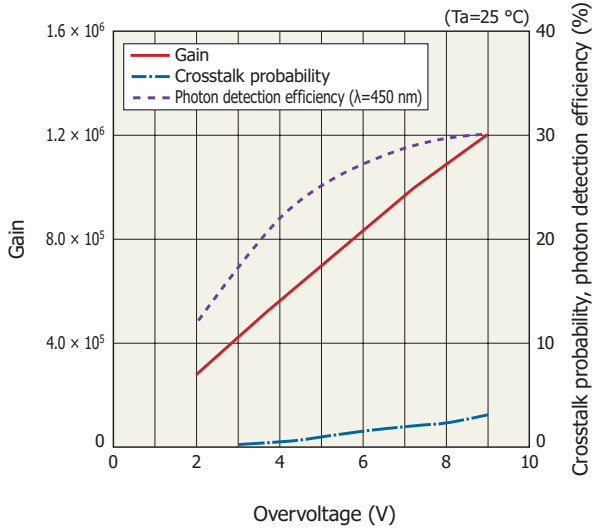
Pixel pitch: 75 μm



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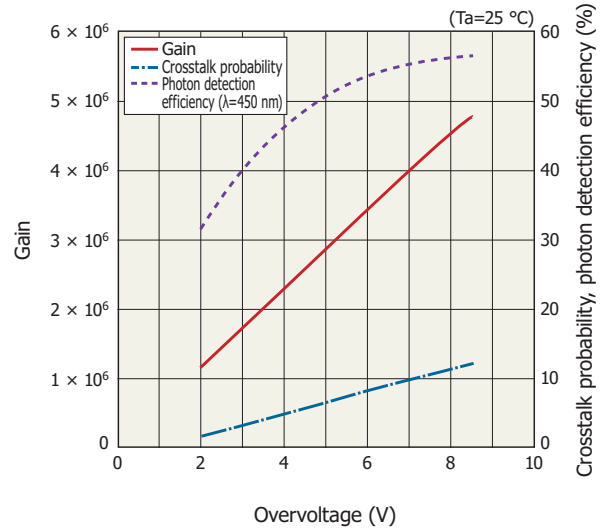
■ Gain, crosstalk probability, photon detection efficiency vs. overvoltage (typical example)

Pixel pitch: 25 μm



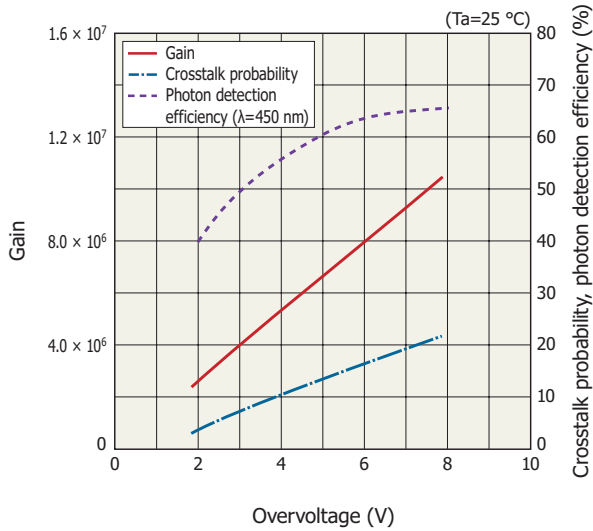
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Pixel pitch: 50 μm



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Pixel pitch: 75 μm



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Module type

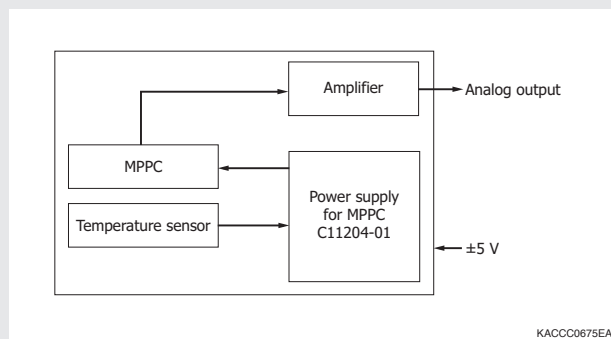
MPPC module C13365 series

■ Features

- Built-in VIS MPPC (S13360 series)
- Built-in temperature compensation circuit
- Analog output



■ Block diagram



Type no.		Output	Type	Built-in MPPC			
				Type no.	Pixel pitch (μm)	Photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels
C13365	-1350SA	Analog	Non-cooled	S13360-1350CS	50	1.3 × 1.3	667
	-3050SA			S13360-3050CS		3.0 × 3.0	3600
	-6050SA			S13360-6050CS		6.0 × 6.0	14400

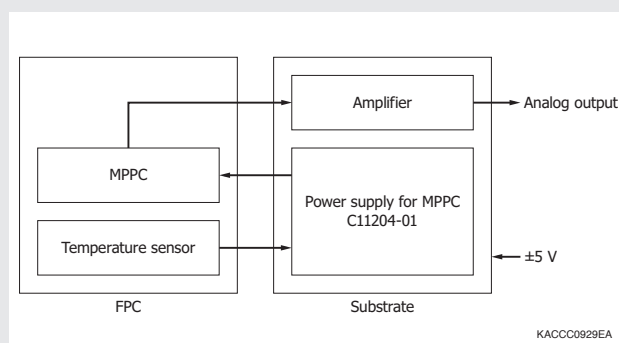
MPPC module C13367 series

■ Features

- Equipped with VIS MPPC (S13360 series) with a flexible cable
- Built-in temperature compensation circuit
- Analog output



■ Block diagram



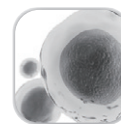
Type no.		Output	Type	Built-in MPPC			
				Type no.	Pixel pitch (μm)	Photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels
C13367	-1350EA	Analog	Non-cooled	S13360-1350PE	50	1.3 × 1.3	667
	-3050EA			S13360-3050PE		3.0 × 3.0	3600
	-6050EA			S13360-6050PE		6.0 × 6.0	14400

For precision measurement (cooled type)

S13362 series



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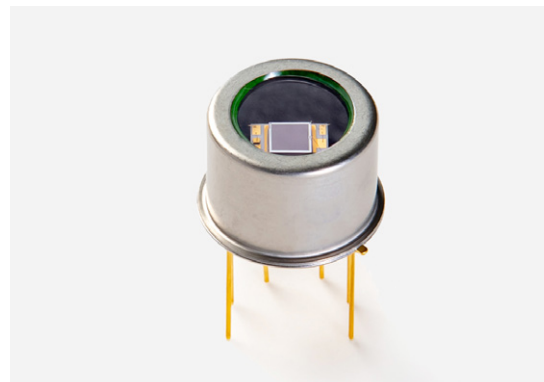
MEASUREMENT

FEATURES

- Operation possible with simple readout circuit
- Low dark count: 1/20 that of non-cooled type (-10 °C)

APPLICATIONS

- Scattered light measurement
- Fluorescence measurement
- Flow cytometers
- Laser microscopes



Structure

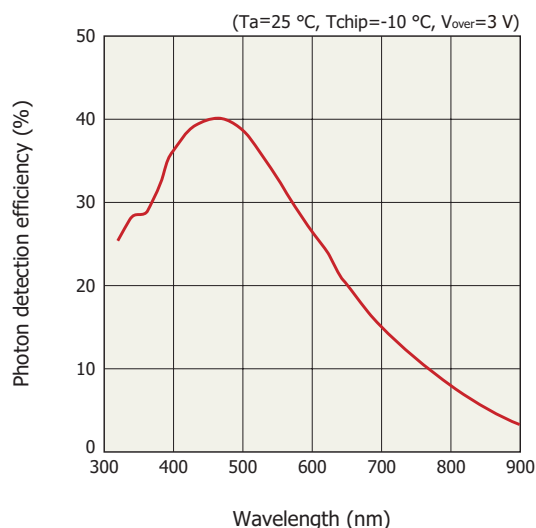
Type no.		Number of channel (ch)	Package	Pixel pitch (μm)	Effective photo-sensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels	Fill factor (%)	Cooling
S13362	-1350DG	1	Metal (TO-8)	50	1.3 × 1.3	667	74	Two-stage TE-cooled
	-3050DG				3.0 × 3.0	3600		

Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. Ta=25 °C, Tchip=-10 °C, unless otherwise noted)

Type no.		Photon detection efficiency $\lambda=\lambda_p$ (%)	Breakdown voltage (V)	Terminal capacitance (pF)	Dark count		Recommended TE-cooler temperature (°C)	Thermistor resistance (kΩ)	Thermistor B constant (K)
					Typ. (kcps)	Max. (kcps)			
S13362	-1350DG	40	51.1 ± 5	60	5	25	-10	9*1	3410*2
	-3050DG			320	13	72			

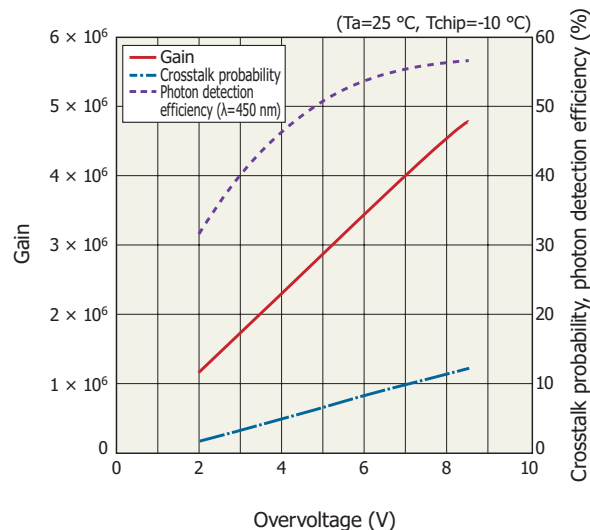
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Photon detection efficiency vs. wavelength (typical example)



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Gain, crosstalk probability, photon detection efficiency vs. overvoltage (typical example)



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► Module type

MPPC module C13366/C13852 series

■ Features

- Built-in VIS MPPC (S13362 series: cooled type)
- Built-in temperature control function
- Low dark count
- Compact and lightweight (C13852 series)
- Analog output / digital output types available

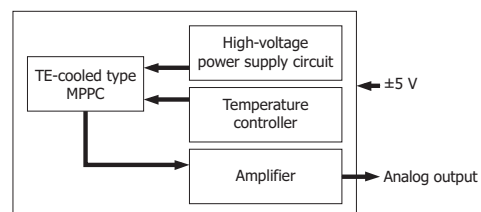


C13366 series
(for evaluation)



C13852 series
(for embedded use)

■ Block diagram (analog output type)



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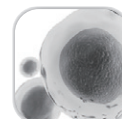
Type no.		Output	Type	Built-in MPPC			
				Type no.	Pixel pitch (μm)	Photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels
C13366	-1350GA	Analog	TE-cooled	S13362-1350DG	50	1.3 × 1.3	667
	-3050GA			S13362-3050DG		3.0 × 3.0	3600
	-1350GD	Digital		S13362-1350DG		1.3 × 1.3	667
	-3050GD			S13362-3050DG		3.0 × 3.0	3600
C13852	-1350GA	Analog	TE-cooled	S13362-1350DG	50	1.3 × 1.3	667
	-3050GA			S13362-3050DG		3.0 × 3.0	3600
	-1350GD	Digital		S13362-1350DG		1.3 × 1.3	667
	-3050GD			S13362-3050DG		3.0 × 3.0	3600

For precision measurement (TSV type)

S13615 / S13360 / S13361 series



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MEASUREMENT



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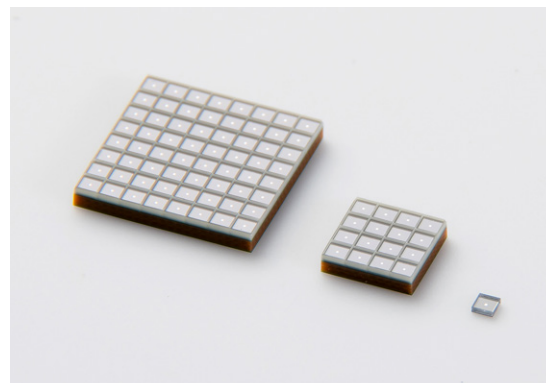
S13615 series - 1 mm channel type -

► FEATURES

- Small photosensitive area (1×1 mm/ch)
- Compact chip size package as a result of eliminating dead space
- Glass used for window material

► APPLICATIONS

- Nuclear medicine
- PET scanners
- Non-destructive inspection
- Environmental analysis
- High energy physics experiments



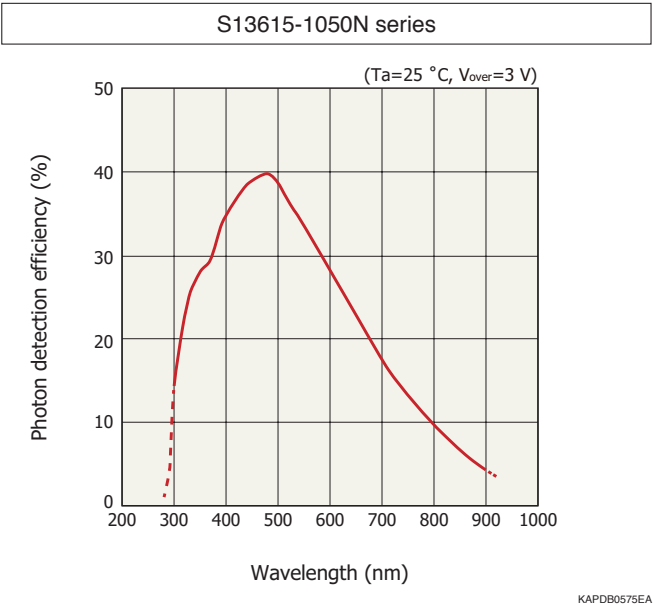
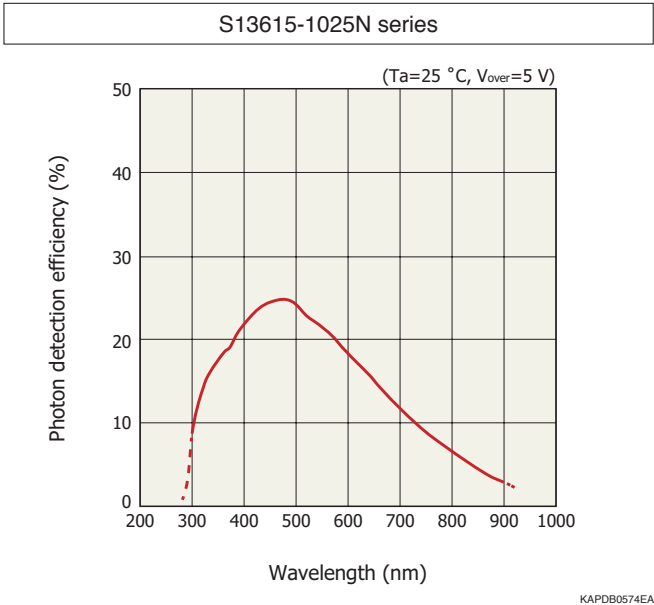
■ Structure

Type no.		Number of channels (ch)	Package	Pixel pitch (μm)	Effective photosensitive area /ch (mm)	Number of pixels/ch	Fill factor (%)
S13615	-1025N-04	4 × 4	Surface mount type	25	1.0 × 1.0	1584	47
	-1025N-08	8 × 8					
	-1025N-16	16 × 16					
	-1050N-04	4 × 4		50		396	74
	-1050N-08	8 × 8					
	-1050N-16	16 × 16					

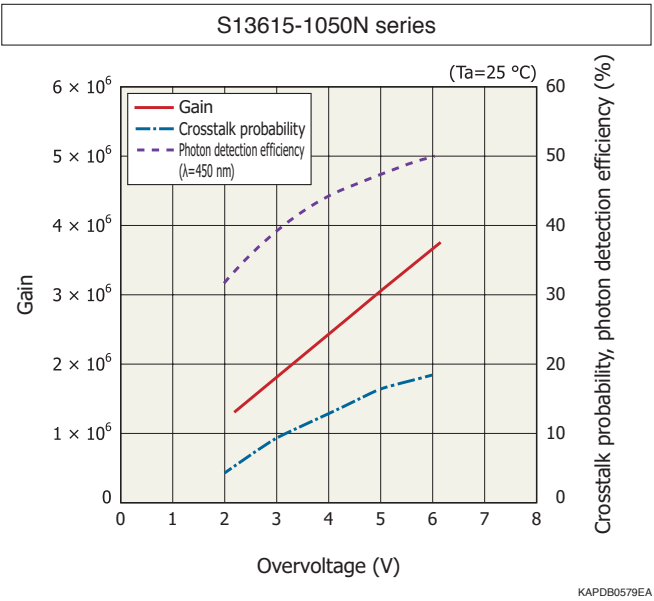
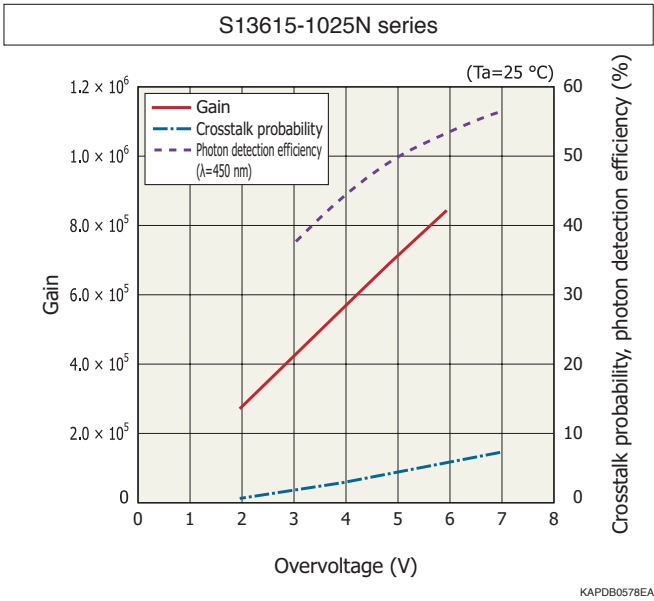
■ Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. $T_a=25^\circ\text{C}$)

Type no.		Photon detection efficiency $\lambda=\lambda_p$ (%)	Breakdown voltage (V)	Terminal capacitance (pF)	Dark count	
					Typ. (kcps)	Max. (kcps)
S13615	-1025N-04	25	53 ± 5	40	90	270
	-1025N-08					
	-1025N-16					
	-1050N-04	40				
	-1050N-08					
	-1050N-16					

■ Photon detection efficiency vs. wavelength (typical example)



■ Gain, crosstalk probability, photon detection efficiency vs. overvoltage (typical example)



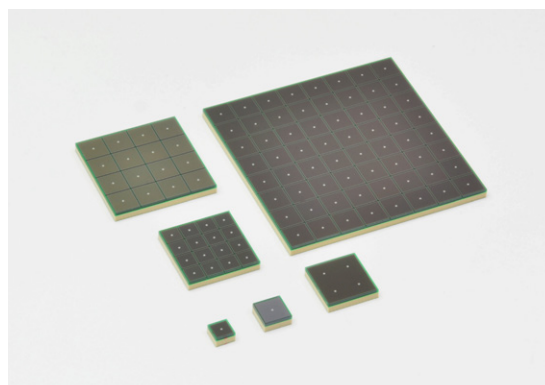
S13360 / S13361 series - 2.0 mm / 3.0 mm / 6.0 mm channel type -

FEATURES

- Compact chip size package as a result of eliminating dead space

APPLICATIONS

- Space research
- High energy physics experiments
- PET scanners
- Environmental analysis



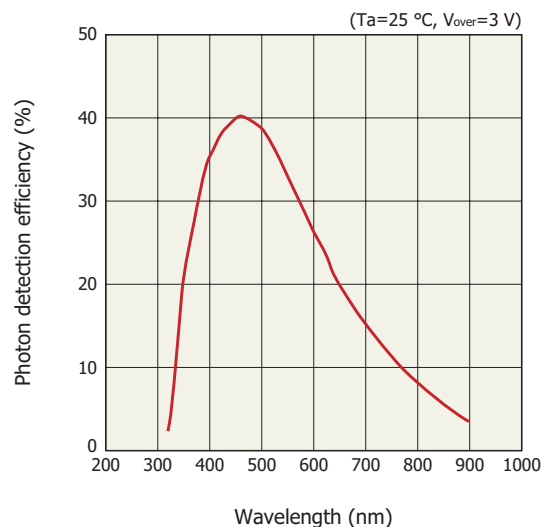
Structure

Type no.		Number of channels (ch)	Package	Pixel pitch (μm)	Effective photosensitive area/ch (mm)	Number of pixels/ch	Fill factor (%)	
S13360	-2050VE	1	Surface mount type	50	2.0 × 2.0	1584	74	
	-3050VE				3.0 × 3.0	3584		
	-6050VE				6.0 × 6.0	14336		
S13361	-2050NE-04	4 × 4	Surface mount type		2.0 × 2.0	1584		
	-2050AE-04		With connector					
	-3050NE-04		Surface mount type		3.0 × 3.0	3584		
	-3050AE-04		With connector					
	-3050NE-08	8 × 8	Surface mount type					
	-3050AE-08		With connector					
	-6050NE-04	4 × 4	Surface mount type		6.0 × 6.0	14336		
	-6050AE-04		With connector					

Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. Ta=25 °C)

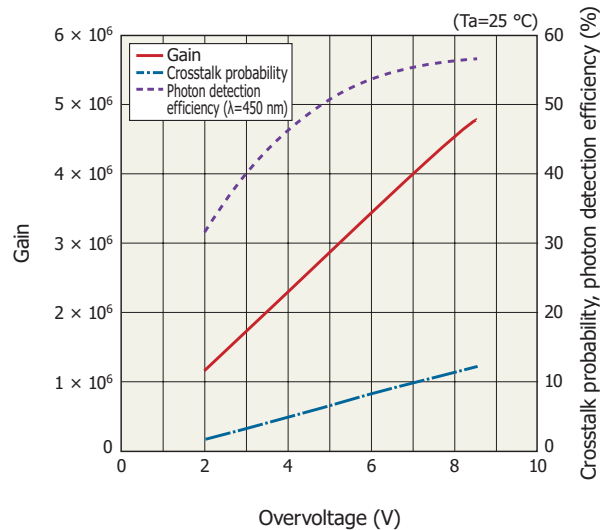
Type no.		Photon detection efficiency $\lambda=\lambda_p$ (%)	Breakdown voltage (V)	Terminal capacitance (pF)	Dark count	
					Typ. (kcps)	Max. (kcps)
S13360	-2050VE	40	53 ± 5	140	300	900
	-3050VE			320	500	1500
	-6050VE			1300	2000	6000
S13361	-2050NE-04			140	300	900
	-2050AE-04			320	500	1500
	-3050NE-04					
	-3050AE-04			1300	2000	6000
	-3050NE-08					
	-3050AE-08					
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■ Photon detection efficiency vs. wavelength (typical example)



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■ Gain, crosstalk probability, photon detection efficiency vs. overvoltage (typical example)



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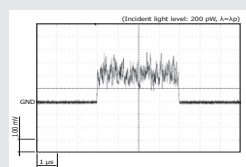
► Module type

MPPC module C13368/C13369 series

■ Features

- Built-in VIS MPPC array
C13368 series: 1×16 ch (3×3 mm/ch), C13369 series: 4×4 ch (1×1 mm/ch, 3×3 mm/ch)
- Built-in temperature compensation circuit
- 3 output types available: Analog / Digital (USB) / MCA (USB)

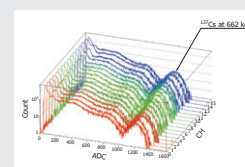
■ Output option



Analog output type



Digital output type

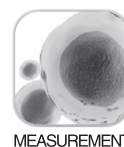


MCA type

Type no.		Output	Type	Built-in MPPC array			
				Type no.	Number of channels (ch)	Pixel pitch (μm)	Photosensitive area/ch (mm)
C13368	-3050EA-16	Analog	Non-cooled	S13363-3050NE-16	1 × 16	50	3.0 × 3.0
	-3050ED-16	Digital					
	-3050EM-16	MCA					
C13369	-1025GA-04	Analog		S13615-1025N-04	4 × 4	50	1.0 × 1.0
	-3050EA-04			S13361-3050NE-04			3.0 × 3.0
	-1025GD-04	Digital		S13615-1025N-04			1.0 × 1.0
	-3050ED-04			S13361-3050NE-04			3.0 × 3.0
	-1025GM-04	MCA		S13615-1025N-04			1.0 × 1.0
	-3050EM-04			S13361-3050NE-04			3.0 × 3.0

For visible light

S14420 series



MEASUREMENT

FEATURES

- High photon detection efficiency: 40% ($\lambda=600$ nm, $V_{op}=V_{BR} + 5$ V)

APPLICATIONS

- Flow cytometers
- Laser microscopes
- Fluorescence measurement



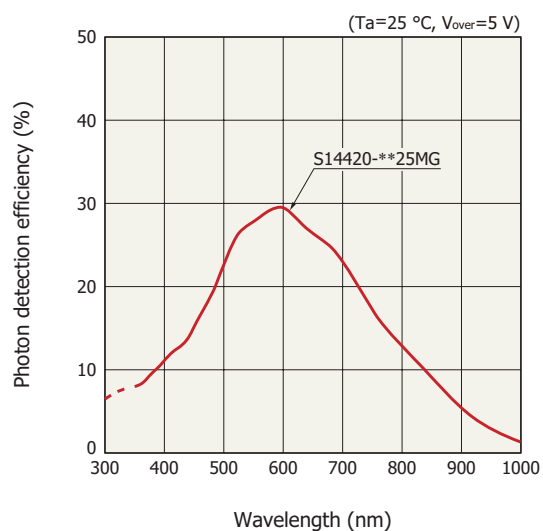
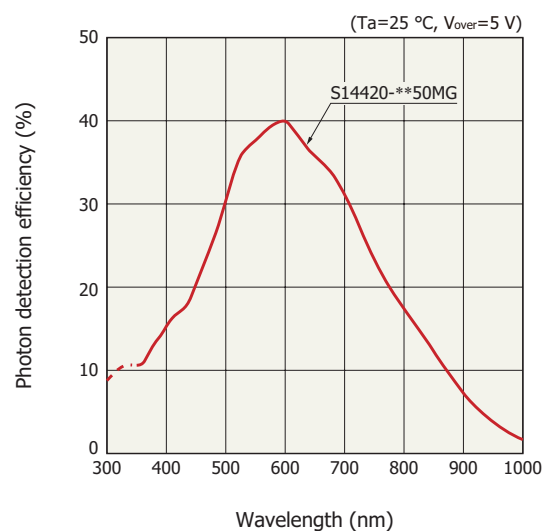
Structure

Type no.		Number of channel (ch)	Package	Pixel pitch (μm)	Effective photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels	Fill factor (%)
S14420	-1525MG	1	Metal (TO-5)	25	ϕ 1.5	2876	63
	-1550MG			50		724	81
	-3025MG			25	ϕ 3.0	11344	63
	-3050MG			50		2836	81

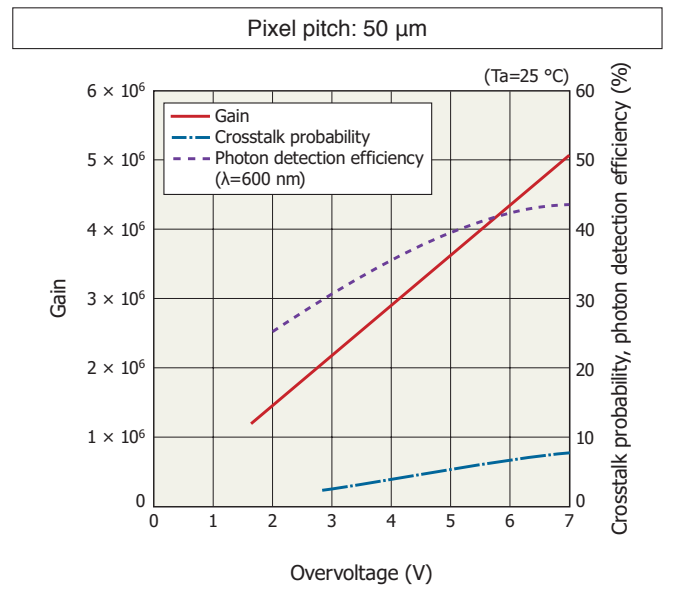
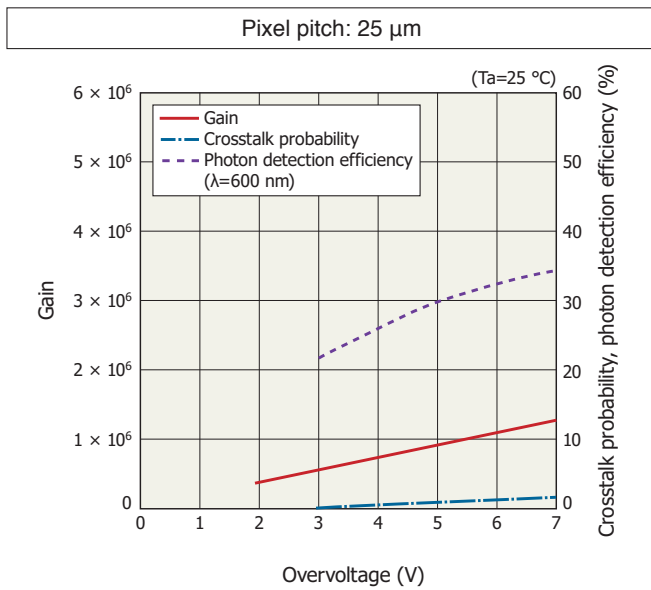
Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. $T_a=25^\circ\text{C}$)

Type no.		Photon detection efficiency $\lambda=\lambda_p$ (%)	Breakdown voltage (V)	Terminal capacitance (pF)	Dark count	
					Typ. (kcps)	Max. (kcps)
S14420	-1525MG	30	42 ± 5	90	380	1000
	-1550MG	40				
	-3025MG	30		350	1600	4000
	-3050MG	40				

Photon detection efficiency vs. wavelength (typical example)

Pixel pitch: 25 μm Pixel pitch: 50 μm 

■ Gain, crosstalk probability, photon detection efficiency vs. overvoltage (typical example)



► Module type

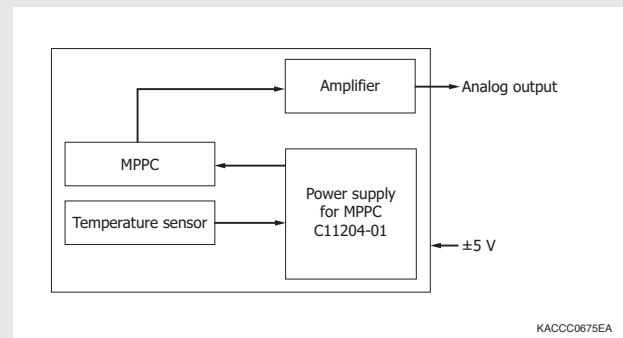
MPPC module C14452 series

■ Features

- Built-in VIS to NIR MPPC (S14420 series)
- Built-in temperature compensation circuit
- Analog output



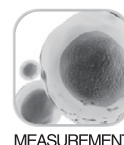
■ Block diagram



Type no.	Output	Type	Built-in MPPC			
			Type no.	Pixel pitch (μm)	Photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels
C14452	Analog	Non-cooled	S14420-1550MG	50	$\phi\ 1.5$	724
			S14420-3050MG		$\phi\ 3.0$	2836

For visible light (cooled type)

S14422 series



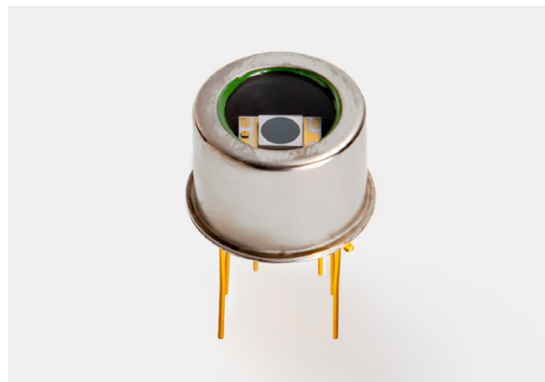
MEASUREMENT

FEATURES

- High photon detection efficiency: 40% ($\lambda=600$ nm, $V_{op}=V_{BR} + 5$ V, 50 μ m pitch)
- Low dark count: 1/10 that of non-cooled type (-10 °C)

APPLICATIONS

- Flow cytometers
- Laser microscopes
- Fluorescence measurement



Structure

Type no.	Number of channel (ch)	Package	Pixel pitch (μ m)	Effective photo-sensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels	Fill factor (%)	Cooling
S14422	-1525DG	Metal (TO-8)	25	ϕ 1.5	2876	63	Two-stage TE-cooled
	-1550DG		50		724	81	
	-3025DG		25	ϕ 3.0	11344	63	
	-3050DG		50		2836	81	

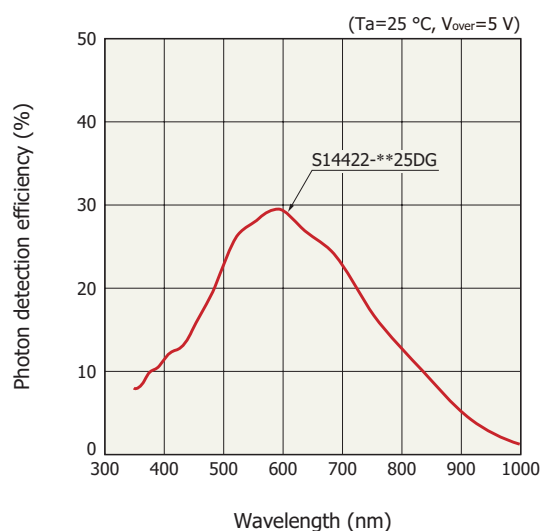
Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. $T_a=25$ °C, $T_{chip}=-10$ °C, unless otherwise noted)

Type no.		Photon detection efficiency $\lambda=\lambda_p$ (%)	Breakdown voltage (V)	Terminal capacitance (pF)	Dark count		Recommended TE-cooler tempera- ture (°C)	Thermistor resistance (kΩ)	Thermistor B constant (K)
					Typ. (kcps)	Max. (kcps)			
S14422	-1525DG	30	40.5 ± 5	90	35	140	-10	9*1	3410*2
	-1550DG	40		350	90	350			
	-3025DG	30							
	-3050DG	40							

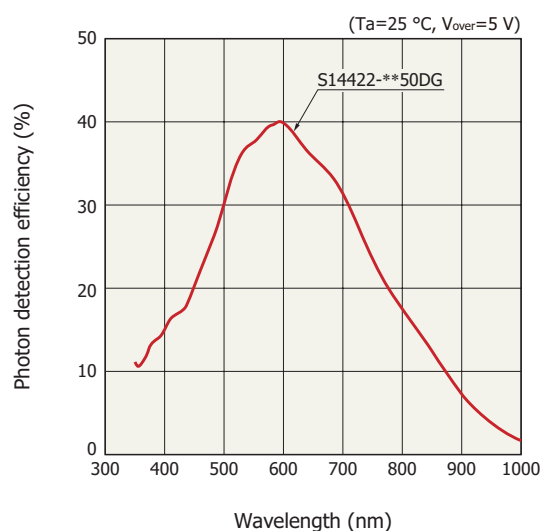
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Photon detection efficiency vs. wavelength (typical example)

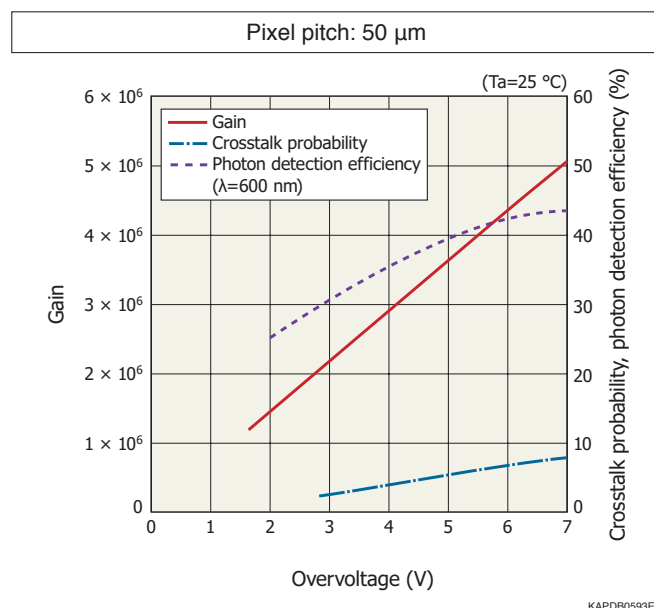
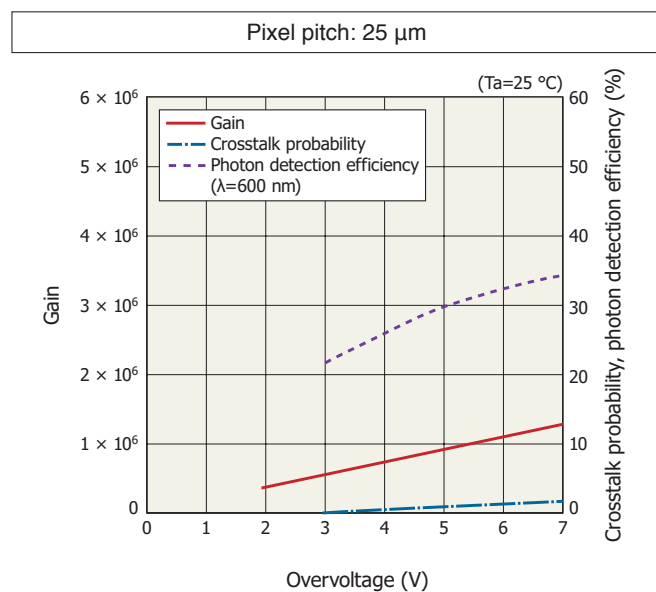
Pixel pitch: 25 μ m



Pixel pitch: 50 μ m



■ Gain, crosstalk probability, photon detection efficiency vs. overvoltage (typical example)



► Module type

MPPC module C14455/C14456 series

■ Features

- Built-in VIS to NIR MPPC (S14422 series: cooled type)
- Built-in temperature control function
- Low dark count
- Compact and lightweight (C14456 series)
- Analog output / digital output types available

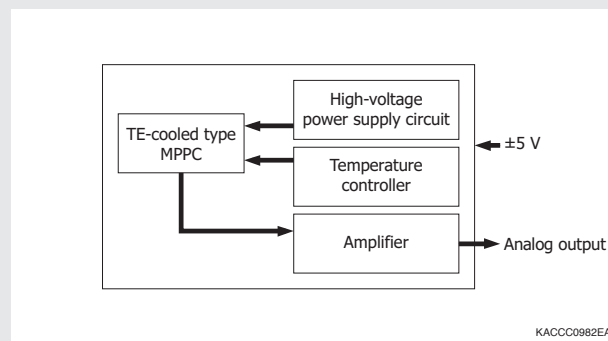


C14455 series
(for evaluation)



C14456 series
(for embedded use)

■ Block diagram (analog output type)



Type no.		Output	Type	Built-in MPPC			
				Type no.	Pixel pitch (μm)	Photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels
C14455	-1550GA	Analog	TE-cooled	S14422-1550DG	50	φ 1.5	724
	-3050GA			S14422-3050DG		φ 3.0	2836
	-1550GD	Digital		S14422-1550DG		φ 1.5	724
	-3050GD			S14422-3050DG		φ 3.0	2836
C14456	-1550GA	Analog	TE-cooled	S14422-1550DG	50	φ 1.5	724
	-3050GA			S14422-3050DG		φ 3.0	2836
	-1550GD	Digital	Compact	S14422-1550DG		φ 1.5	724
	-3050GD			S14422-3050DG		φ 3.0	2836

For near infrared

S13720 series

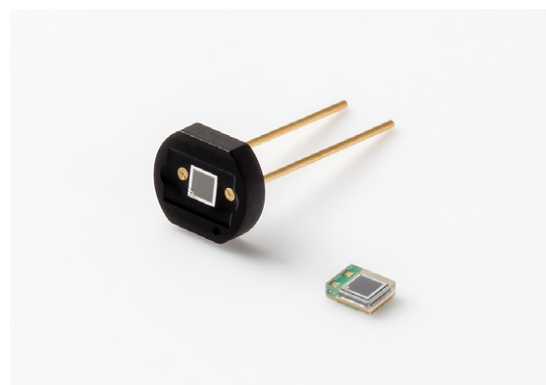


FEATURES

- High photon detection efficiency: 7% ($\lambda=905$ nm, $V_{op}=V_{BR} + 7$ V)
- Small package

APPLICATIONS

- Distance measurement (e.g., LiDAR)



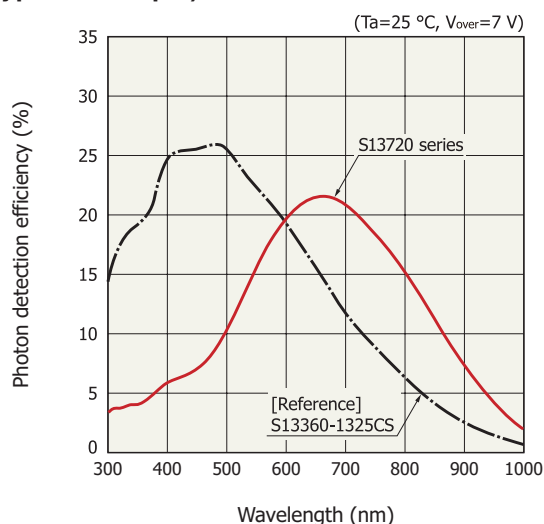
Structure

Type no.		Number of channel (ch)	Package	Pixel pitch (μm)	Effective photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels	Fill factor (%)
S13720	-1325CS	1	Ceramic	25	1.3×1.3	2668	47
	-1325PS		Surface mount type				

Electrical and optical characteristics (Typ. $T_a=25$ °C)

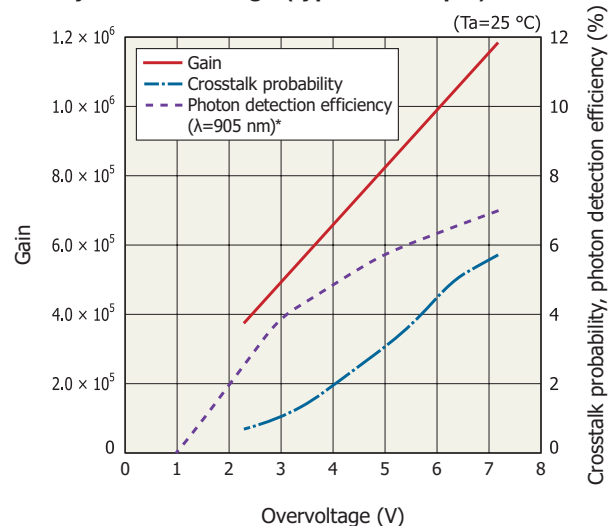
Type no.		Photon detection efficiency $\lambda=905$ nm (%)	Breakdown voltage (V)	Terminal capacitance (pF)	Dark count	
					Typ. (kcps)	Max. (kcps)
S13720	-1325CS	7	57	65	500	1500
	-1325PS					

Photon detection efficiency vs. wavelength (typical example)



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Gain, crosstalk probability, photon detection efficiency vs. overvoltage (typical example)



* Converted from photon detection efficiency measurement data at 660 nm

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► Module type

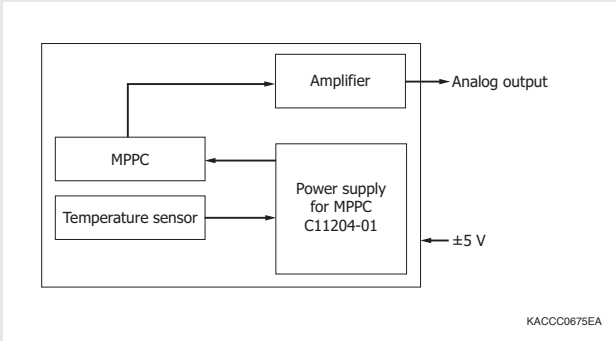
MPPC module C14193-1325SA

■ Features

- Built-in NIR MPPC (S13720 series)
- High-speed response
- Built-in temperature compensation circuit
- Analog output



■ Block diagram



Type no.	Output	Type	Built-in MPPC			
			Type no.	Pixel pitch (μm)	Photosensitive area (mm)	Number of pixels
C14193-1325SA	Analog	Non-cooled	S13720-1325CS	25	1.3 × 1.3	2668



Special MPPCs for academic research

Introduction of MPPC examples

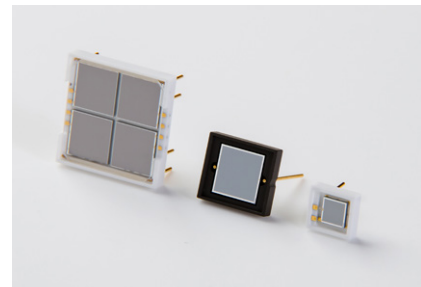
MPPC for dark matter research and neutrino experiments

► FEATURES

- High sensitivity to scintillation light of liquid xenon and liquid argon
- Suitable operation at cryogenic conditions

► APPLICATIONS

- Scintillation light detection of liquid argon and liquid xenon for academic research experiments



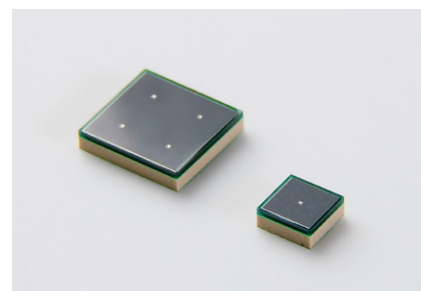
MPPC for Cherenkov telescope experiments

► FEATURES

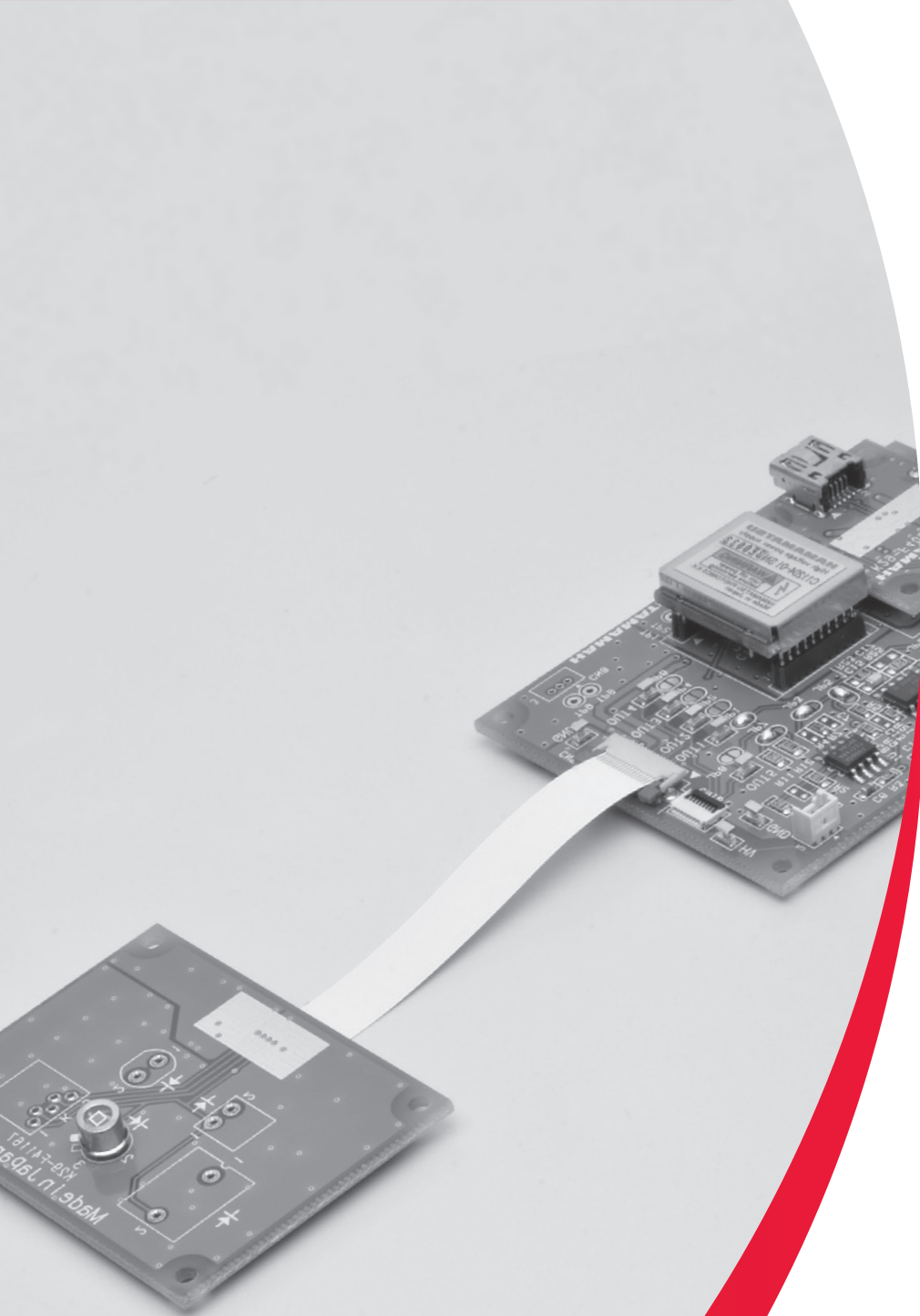
- Suitable sensitivity to detect atmospheric Cherenkov light
- Low crosstalk
- Low operating voltage ($V_{BR}=38$ V typ.)

► APPLICATIONS

- Cherenkov telescopes to detect Cherenkov light generated by high energy cosmic rays and gamma rays



For more details and VUV/UV MPPC, please consult us.



Related products

Photon counting modules (SPPC modules)

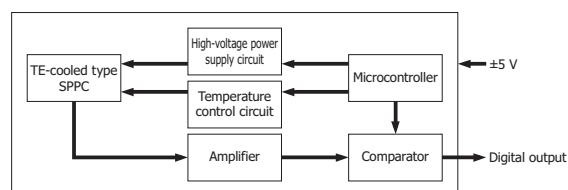
Photon counting modules that can detect extremely low-level light. It consists of a TE-cooled single pixel photon counter (SPPC)*, amplifier, comparator, high-voltage power supply circuit, and temperature controller. You can simply supply external power ($\pm 5V$) to use these modules.

* For more details about SPPC, see P.34







■ Features

- High sensitivity
- Extremely low dark count: 7 cps typ. (VIS type)
- Low afterpulse
- Built-in temperature control function
- Digital output

■ Block diagram



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Product name	Photo	Type no.	Built-in sensor	Photosensitive area size (μm)	Spectral response range (nm)	Output	Type
VIS Photon counting module		C11202-050	TE-cooled Single pixel photon counte (SPPC)	φ50	320 to 900	Digital	-
		C11202-100		φ100	320 to 900		-
		C13001-01		φ50	370 to 900		Fiber coupling
		C14076-01		φ50	370 to 900		Fiber coupling Compact
VIS to NIR Photon counting module		C14463-050GD		φ50	370 to 1000		Fiber coupling
		C14464-050GD		φ50	370 to 1000		Fiber coupling Compact




Power supplies for MPPC

These are high voltage power supplies that are optimized for driving MPPCs. Since they have a temperature compensation function, MPPCs can be driven stably even in environments subject to temperature changes.



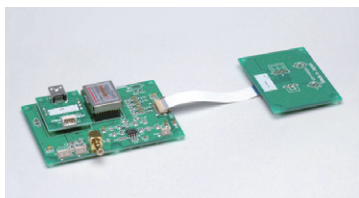
■ Features

- Superb temperature stability: ± 10 ppm/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ (C11204 series)
- Finely adjustable resolution: 1.8 mV steps (C11204 series)
- Serial interface (C11204 series)
- Output voltage adjustment using a control voltage (C14156)

Product name	Photo	Type no.	Output voltage (V)	Size (mm)	Type
Power supply for MPPC		C11204-01	40 to 90	19.4 × 17.0 × 6.7	Pin type
		C11204-02	40 to 90	11.5 × 11.5 × 2	Surface mount type
		C14156	0 to 80	7 × 7 × 2	Compact Low price

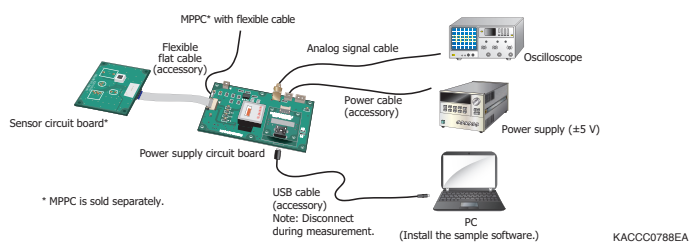
Starter kits for MPPC





These are starter kits for evaluating the MPPC. They consist of a power supply circuit board and a sensor circuit board. The power supply circuit board is equipped with a power supply for MPPC (with temperature compensation function). The sensor circuit board has an MPPC socket for leads, which allows MPPCs to be mounted.



*MPPC is sold separately.

■ Connection example



Product name	Photo	Type no.	Cmpatible MPPC	Integrated power supply	Output
Driver circuit for MPPC		C12332-01	For non-cooled MPPC (S13360 series)*1	C11204-01	Analog
		C14450	For non-cooled MPPC (S14420 series)	C11204-01	Analog
		C14191	For non-cooled MPPC (S13720 series)*1	C11204-01	Analog
		C14488	For non-cooled MPPC (S13360 series)*1	C14156	Analog

*1: PIN type MPPC only available

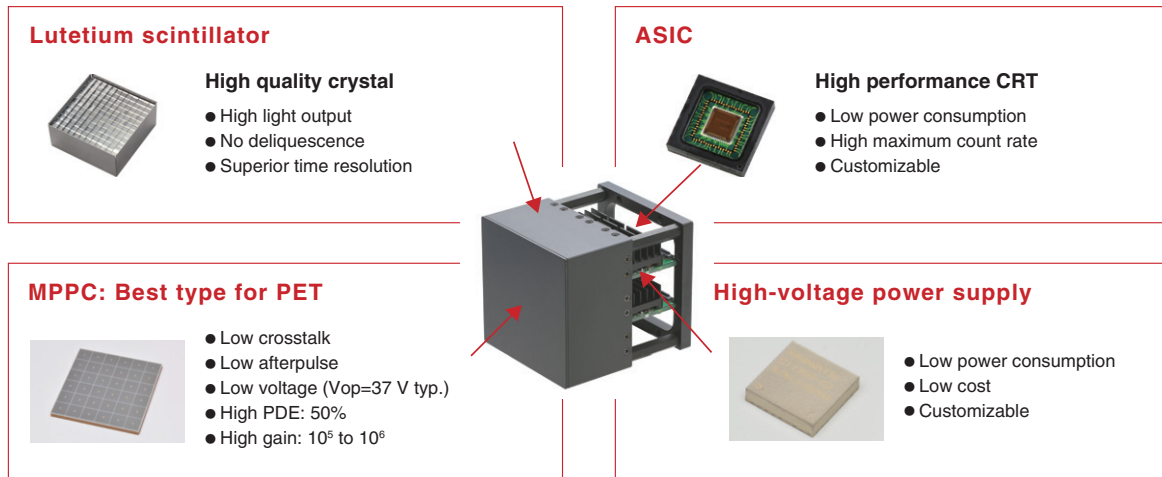
MPPC module for PET C13500 series

■ Features

- Built-in VIS MPPC (S14160 series)
- Included functions necessary for TOF-PET
- Timing resolution (FWHM): 210 ps
- Built-in temperature compensation circuit
- Digital interface: high-speed serial



■ Structure

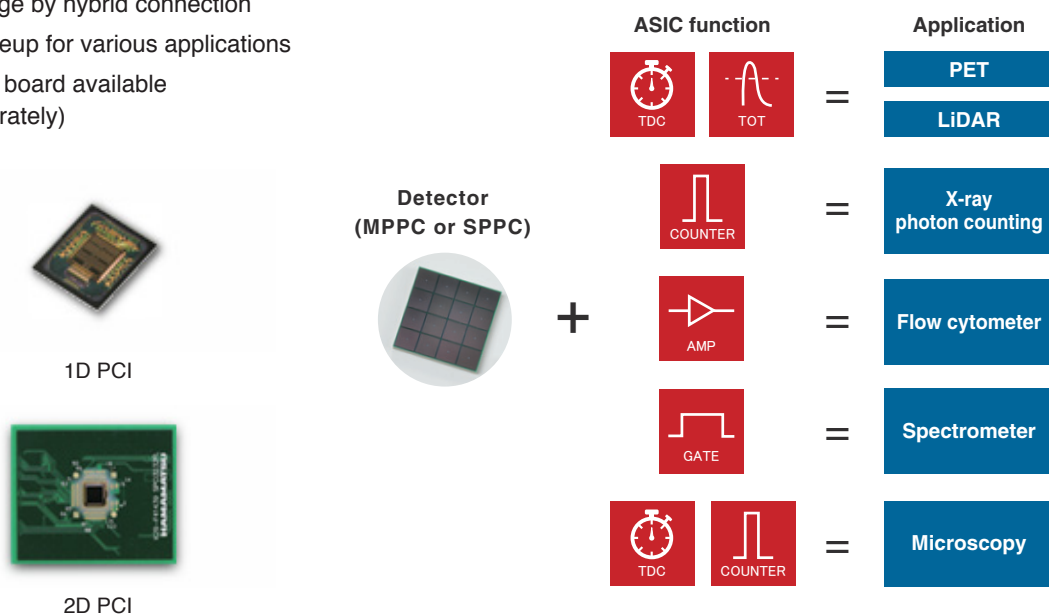


Photon counting image sensors (PCI)

■ Features

- MPPC (or SPPC) and ASIC in 1 package by hybrid connection
- Product lineup for various applications
- Evaluation board available (sold separately)

■ Sensor structure and suitable applications

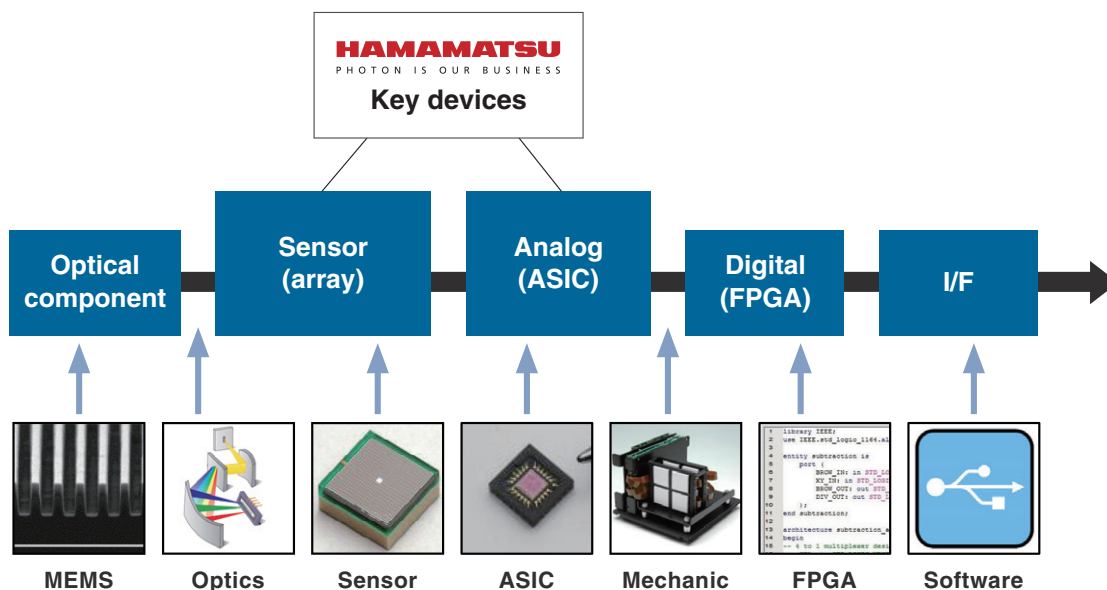


Customized MPPC modules

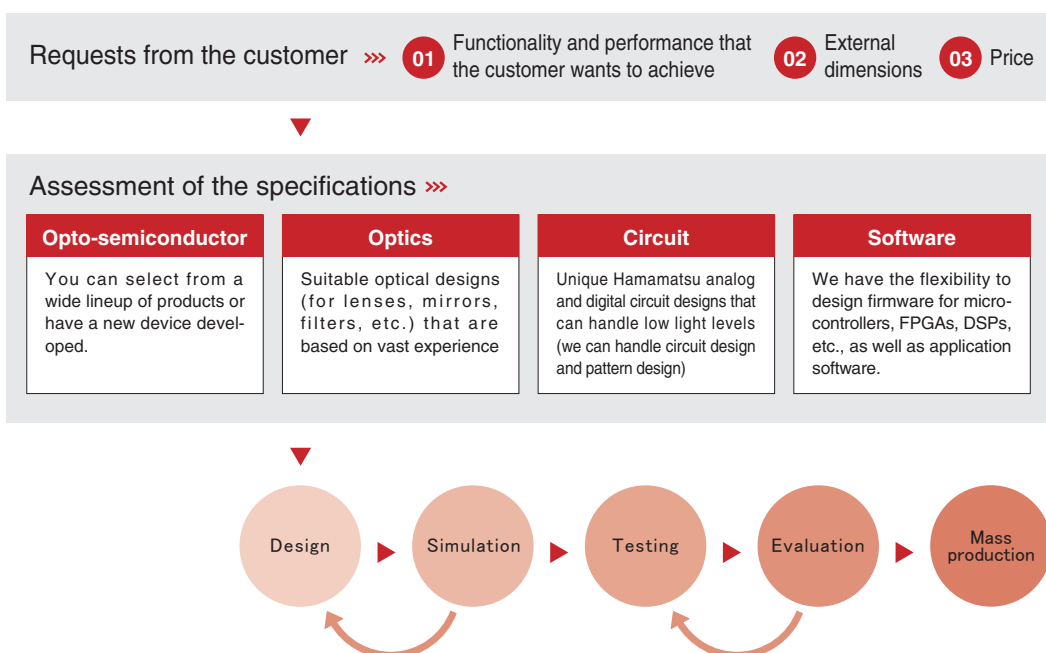
Hamamatsu can provide the most suitable module product by combining its vast MPPC lineup with optical technologies, circuit technologies, and software technologies.

■ Hamamatsu flexibility

We offer customization by combining elemental technologies. Each key component suitable for an application can be selected, and compactly integrated in a small module.



■ Process for developing a custom module



Operating principle of MPPC

Photon counting

Light has the properties of both a particle and a wave. When the light level becomes extremely low, light behaves as discrete particles (photons) allowing us to count the number of photons. Photon counting is a technique for measuring the number of individual photons.

The MPPC is suitable for photon counting since it offers an excellent time resolution and a multiplication function having a high gain and low noise. Compared to ordinary light measurement techniques that measure the output current as analog signals, photon counting delivers a higher S/N and higher stability even in measurements at very low light levels.

Geiger mode and quenching resistor

When an APD is operated at a reverse voltage higher than its breakdown voltage, a saturated output inherent to the APD device occurs (Geiger discharge) by input of light regardless of whether the light level is high or low. The condition where an APD operates at this voltage level is called Geiger mode. Geiger mode allows obtaining a large output by way of discharge even when detecting a single photon. Once Geiger discharge begins, it continues for as long as the electric field in the APD is maintained.

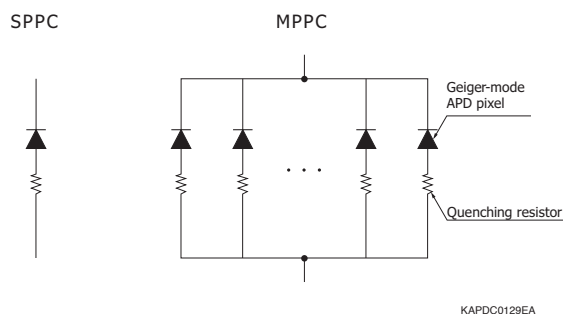
To halt a Geiger discharge and detect the next photon, an external circuit outside the APD must lower the operating voltage. One specific example for halting the Geiger discharge is a technique using a so-called quenching resistor connected in series with the APD. This quickly stops avalanche multiplication in the APD because a drop in the operating voltage occurs when the output current caused by the Geiger discharge flows in the quenching resistor. The output current caused by Geiger discharge is a pulse waveform with a sharp rise time, while the output current when Geiger discharge is halted by the quenching resistor is a pulse waveform with a relatively slow fall time.

Structure

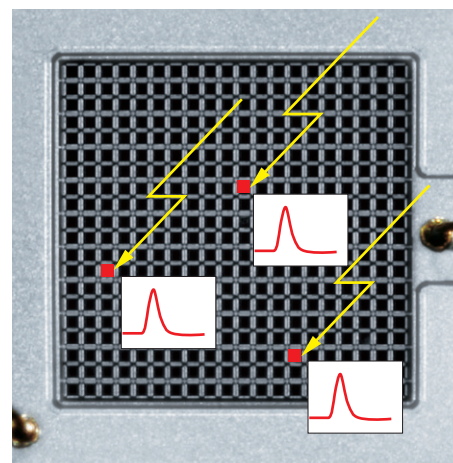
Hamamatsu defines a single pixel photon counter (SPPC) as a photon counting device consisting of one Geiger-mode APD, and a multi pixel photon counter (MPPC®) as a photon counting device consisting of multiple Geiger mode APDs.

The structures of an SPPC and an MPPC are shown below. An SPPC consists of one basic unit (1 pixel) that combines one Geiger-mode APD and one quenching circuit. An MPPC has a structure in which a large number of pixels (SPPCs) have electrical connections in 2 dimensions.

■ Structure of SPPC and MPPC



■ Illustration of an MPPC counting photons



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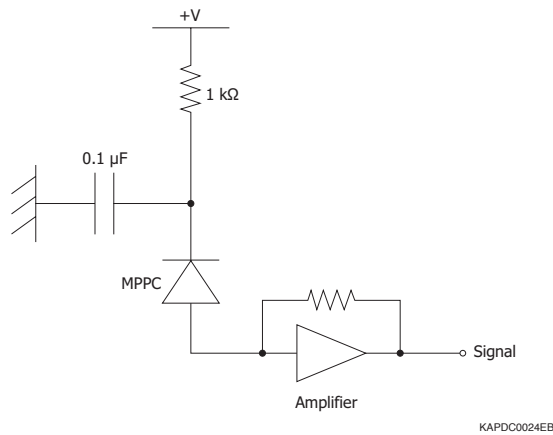
Basic operation

Each pixel in the MPPC outputs a pulse at the same amplitude when it detects a photon. Pulses generated by multiple pixels are output while superimposed onto each other. For example, if four photons are incident on different pixels and detected at the same time, then the MPPC outputs a signal whose amplitude equals the height of the four superimposed pulses.

Each pixel outputs only one pulse and this does not vary with the number of incident photons. So the number of output pulses is always one regardless of whether one photon or two or more photons enter a pixel at the same time. This means that MPPC output linearity gets worse as more photons are incident on the MPPC such as when two or more photons enter one pixel. This makes it essential to select an MPPC having enough pixels to match the number of incident photons.

For the MPPC readout circuit, a current-to-voltage amplifier can be used as with previous semiconductor devices. The MPPC outputs high-speed pulse signals, but because the gain of the MPPC itself is high, there is no need to greatly increase the gain on the circuit side. This has the advantage of more freedom in circuit design.

■ Basic connection diagram



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