Technical Information Manual

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MOD. N979

16 CHANNEL FAST AMPLIFIER MANUAL REV.7

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1. General description

1.1 Overview

The Mod. N979 is a 16 channel fast rise time amplifier housed in a 1-unit NIM module; each channel features a fixed voltage gain of 10; fixed gain values in the $x2 \div x9$ range (gain step = 1) are available on request.

The Mod. N979B is a "mixed gain" version with 4 channels with 10x gain, 4 with 8x gain, 4 with 4x gain and 4 with 2x gain.

Channels are bipolar, non-inverting.

Channels can be cascaded in order to obtain larger gain values. Each channel is provided with three LEMO 00 connectors, one for the input and two for the output (fan out of 2).

If only one of the outputs connectors is employed, the other is recommended to be terminated on 50 Ohm.

The board features a ± 2 V output dynamics. 16 screw-trimmers (one per channel) allow the offset nulling.

The features include an input overvoltage protection.

Ordering code	Description
WN979XAAAAAA	N979 - 16 Channel Fixed Gain Fast Amplifier
WN979XBAAAAA	N979B - 16 Channel Mixed Gain Fast Amplifier
WPERS0097902	N979 Customization - Total Gain = x2
WPERS0097903	N979 Customization - Total Gain = x3
WPERS0097904	N979 Customization - Total Gain = x4
WPERS0097905	N979 Customization - Total Gain = x5
WPERS0097906	N979 Customization - Total Gain = x6
WPERS0097907	N979 Customization - Total Gain = x7
WPERS0097908	N979 Customization - Total Gain = x8
WPERS0097909	N979 Customization - Total Gain = x9

Table 1.1: Available items



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2. Technical specifications

2.1 Packaging

The Model N979 is housed in a 1U-wide NIM unit.

2.2 Power requirements

Power consumptions measured with Input open and Output terminated on 50 Ohm:

Table 2.1: Power requirements

+ 6 V	850 mA
- 6 V	850 mA



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2.3 **Front panel**



Fig. 2.1: Mod. N979 Front Panel

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2.4 **External components**

INPUT CONNECTORS:

OUTPUT CONNECTORS:

OFFSET NULLING:

16 LEMO 00 connectors

32 LEMO 00 connectors (16 coupled pairs)

16 Screw-trimmers

2.5 **Technical specification table**

Packaging	1U-wide NIM unit		
Voltage gain	10 ± 6%		
Rise time	< 1.5 ns		
Band width (gain 10x)	±25 mV input signal: 0÷250 MHz		
Output dynamics			
	±∠ v +4 mV (typical)		
Offset uniformity	±12 mV (maximum)		
	Total Gain	Max input amplitude (mV)	
	2x	-1000 ÷+1000	
	Зх	-667 ÷+667	
	4x	-500 ÷+500	
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max input amplitude	6x	-333 ÷+333	
	7x	-286 ÷+286	
	8x	-250 ÷+250	
	9x	-222 ÷+222	
	10x	-200 ÷+200	
Offset nulling range	±30 mV (measured with 0 Ohm termination on input)		
Inputs channels	16, DC coupled, 50 $\Omega \pm 2\%$ impedance		
Output channels	16 with Fan-Out of two, drive 50 Ω load		
Noise (gain 10x)	< 50 µV RMS (referred to the input)		
Interchannel insulation	50 dB		
Input reflections	< 10%		
I/O Delay	< 3 ns		

Table 2.2: Mod. N979 Technical Features