

The TSL-550 is a high performance tunable laser with a wide tuning range and an output combining high power and high signal-to-noise ratio. The mod-hop-free tuning TSL-550 is equipped with features such as fine tuning and coherence control making it a must have tool for precision optical testing. Santec has used an innovative cavity design to lower the optical ASE noise, resulting in an extraordinarily high signal-to-noise ratio of over 90dB/0.1nm, while also maintaining a high output power of over +10dBm. GPIB and USB interfaces with the industry standard SCPI command set provide a convenient automated measurement solution.

The TSL-550 has two separate versions: Type A includes a wavelength meter with ± 20 pm wavelength accuracy and Type C, the high accuracy version, with an absolute wavelength accuracy of ± 5 pm.

The TSL-550 is ideal for next generation components testing driven by innovations in Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing (DWDM), passives and Wavelength Selective Switches (WSS) that require characterization of multi-input, high extinction ratio devices. The TSL-550 is designed to improve production inspection throughput by doubling the scan repetition rate over conventional lasers. In addition, the TSL-550 is available for WDL and PDL measurement with the support of our power meter, MPM-210 and dedicated software.

Features

- Wide tuning range: from 1260 to 1680 nm
- ▶ High output power: +10 dBm
- ▶ High signal-to-noise ratio: 90 dB/0.1 nm
- ▶ High wavelength accuracy:

Type A: ±20 pm Type C: ±5 pm

High Performance Tunable Laser **TSL-550**



Measurement Data



Applications

- Optical component characterization
- Fiber optic transmission testing
- Photonic material characterization
- Interferometry
- Optical spectroscopy



Optical Specifications

Wavelength range: 1260-1360nm and 1500-1630nm

Category	Parameter		Unit	Performance		
				ТуреА	ТуреС	
	Wavelength Tuning Range		nm	1260-1360 /	1500-1630	
	Wavelength Setting Resolution		pm	0.1	0.1	
Wavelength	Absolute Accuracy *1	Operating Temperature	pm	±20	±5	
Characteristics		25±1 °C (typ.)	pm	±15	±2.5	
	Repeatability *1		pm	±10	±2	
	Stability (typ.) *2		pm	≤ ±5	≤ ±1	
	Sweep Speed		nm/sec	1 to ⁻	1 to 100	
	Output Power	Peak (typ.)	dBm	≥ 1	≥ 13	
		Full Tuning Range	dBm	≥ 1	≥ 10	
Optical power	Power Repeatability *1, *3		dB	±0.0	±0.01	
Characteristics	Power Stability ^{*2, *3}		dB	±0.0	±0.01	
	Power Flatness vs. Wavelength *1, *3		dB	±0.	±0.2	
	Relative Intensity Noise (RIN) (typ.)*6		dB/Hz	-145 (1MHz	-145 (1MHz to 3GHz)	
	Linewidth (typ.)	Coherence Ctrl. Off	kHz	400	200	
		Coherence Ctrl. On	MHz	40	40	
Spectrum	SMSR (typ.)		dB	≥ 4	≥ 45	
	Signal to Total Source Spontaneous Emission Ratio*4		dB	≥7	0	
	Signal to Source Spontaneous Emission Ratio *5		dB/nm	≥80 (≥90	≥ 80 (≥ 90 dB/0.1nm)	

* All specifications are quoted after 1 hour warm-up period. Specifications apply for wavelengths not equal to any water absorption line.
*1: At static condition or "Step" sweep mode.
*2: For period of 1 hour. Within ± 0.5 °C. *3: At "Auto" power mode.
*4: Ratio of signal power to total spontaneous emission power within ±15nm of the signal wavelength (typical value).

*5: Ratio of signal power to maximum spontaneous emission power in a 1nm band within a ±3nm band around the signal wavelength (typical value). *6: At maximum output power.

Wavelength range: 1355-1485nm and 1480-1630nm

Category	Parameter		Unit	Performance		
				ТуреА	ТуреС	
	Wavelength Tuning Range		nm	1355-1485 /	1480-1630	
	Wavelength Setting Resolution		pm	0.1		
Wavelength	Absolute Accuracy *1	Operating Temperature	pm	±20	±5	
Characteristics		25±1 °C (typ.)	pm	±15	±2.5	
	Repeatability *1		pm	±10	±2	
	Stability (typ.) *2		pm	≤ ±5	≤±1	
	Sweep Speed		nm/sec	1 to 1	00	
	Output Power	Peak (typ.)	dBm	≥ 13	3	
		≥ 10dBm Range	dBm	≥ 10 (1380-1485nm) @	≥ 10 (1380-1485nm) @1355-1485nm model	
				≥ 10 (1500-1630nm) @	≥ 10 (1500-1630nm) @1480-1630nm model	
Optical power		Full Tuning Range	dBm	≥7	,	
Characteristics	Power Repeatability *1, *3		dB	±0.0)1	
	Power Stability ^{*2, *3}		dB	±0.0)1	
	Power Flatness vs. Wavelength *1, *3		dB	±0.2	2	
	Relative Intensity Noise (RIN) (typ.)*6		dB/Hz	-145 (1MHz	to 3GHz)	
	Linewidth (typ.)	Coherence Ctrl. Off	kHz	400	200	
		Coherence Ctrl. On	MHz	40		
Spectrum	SMSR (typ.)		dB	≥ 4	5	
	Signal to Total Source Spontaneous Emission Ratio*4		dB	≥ 70	0	
	Signal to Source Spontaneous Emission Ratio *5		dB/nm	≥80 (≥90	≥ 80 (≥ 90 dB/0.1nm)	

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*1: At static condition or "Step" sweep mode. *2: For period of 1 hour. Within ± 0.5 °C. *3: At "Auto" power mode.
*4: Ratio of signal power to total spontaneous emission power within ±15nm of the signal wavelength (typical value).

*5: Ratio of signal power to maximum spontaneous emission power in a 1nm band within a ±3nm band around the signal wavelength (typical value). *6: At maximum output power.

Optical Specifications

Wavelength range: 1560-1680nm

Category	Parameter		Unit	Performance		
				ТуреА	ТуреС	
	Wavelength Tuning Range		nm	1560-	1680	
	Wavelength Setting Resolution		pm	0.1	1	
Wavelength	Absolute Accuracy *1	Operating Temperature	pm	±20	±5	
Characteristics		25±1 °C (typ.)	pm	±15	±2.5	
	Repeatability ^{*1}		pm	±10	±2	
	Stability (typ.) *2		pm	≤ ±5	≤±1	
	Sweep Speed		nm/sec	1 to ⁻	1 to 100	
	Output Power*7	Peak (typ.)	dBm	≥ 1	≥ 13	
		Full Tuning Range	dBm	≥ 1	≥ 10	
Optical power	Power Repeatability *1, *3		dB	±0.0	±0.01	
Characteristics	Power Stability ^{*2, *3}		dB	±0.0	±0.01	
	Power Flatness vs. Wavelength *1, *3,*7		dB	±0.	±0.2	
	Relative Intensity Noise (RIN) (typ.) ^{*6}		dB/Hz	-145 (1MHz	-145 (1MHz to 3GHz)	
	Linewidth (typ.)	Coherence Ctrl. Off	kHz	400	200	
		Coherence Ctrl. On	MHz	40	40	
Spectrum	SMSR (typ.)		dB	≥ 4	≥ 45	
·	Signal to Total Source Spontaneous Emission Ratio*4		dB	≥3	≥ 35	
	Signal to Source Spontaneous Emission Ratio *5		dB/nm	≥ 45 (≥ 55	≥ 45 (≥ 55 dB/0.1nm)	

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*1: At static condition or "Step" sweep mode. *2: For period of 1 hour. Within ± 0.5 °C. *3: At "Auto" power mode.
*4: Ratio of signal power to total spontaneous emission power within ±15nm of the signal wavelength (typical value).
*5: Ratio of signal power to maximum spontaneous emission power in a 1nm band within a ±3nm band around the signal wavelength (typical value).
*6: At maximum output power. *7: Warrant range is 1560 to 1650nm

General specifications

	Optical Output Connector		-	FC or SC, SPC or APC	
Interface	Optical Fiber		-	SMF or PMF ^{*1}	
	Communication		-	GP-IB (IEEE 488.2), USB, RS-232C	
	Power Monitor		V	0 to 3	
Modulation	LF Modulation		kHz	DC to 400	
			KI IZ	(Input level -2 to 0V, Modulation depth >50%/V (typ.))	
	RF Modulation (option)		MHz	2 to 100	
				(Input level 5Vp-p, Modulation depth >10% (typ.))	
Environmental Conditions and others	Operating	Temperature	°C	15 to 35	
		Humidity	%	< 80 (non-condensing)	
	Power Supply		-	AC 100-240V±10%, 50/60Hz	
	Power Consumption		VA	100	
	Dimensions (W) x (D) x (H)		mm	210x440x110	
	Weight		kg	6.5	

*1: In case of PMF, polarization axis in alignment with connector key. Polarization extinction ratio is 17dB (typical value).

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Model selection



Other wavelength range model is available on request. Please contact Santec Sales.

Laser safety information



This product is classified class 1M laser product according to IEC 60825-1 (2007). This product complies with FDA performance standards for laser products except for deviations pursuant to Laser Notice No. 50 dated June 24, 2007.



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