

OLE Series Optical lin extenders



OVERVIEW

By **OLE** (Optical Lin Extender), we mean a fiber optic link employed to extend a LIN bus.

LIN is an acronym for Local Interconnect Network, that is a low cost, low speed, serial communication bus for distributed electronic systems on board a vehicle. It is a sort of complement to other buses like CAN that are used for faster or more demanding applications. It is a one-wire bus and typically it connects in a very cost effective way smart sensors and actuators where bandwidth and versatility of CAN connections are not necessary.

The need for a fiber optic extension of LIN may arise mainly for the performance of immunity tests in an anechoic chamber.

In such case the EUT attached to LIN network must be radiated by a transmitting antenna while the LIN analyzer or any other component appended to the LIN (Auxiliary Test equipment) is placed outside of the radiated zone, normally in the control room. The decoupling between EUT and Auxiliary Test Equipment is easily achieved by means of a fiber optic cable inserted between two transceivers that transform the electrical signal into an optic signal and viceversa. As EMC automotive tests require high field levels, at least the transceiver placed in the chamber close to the EUT must be RF shielded.

OLE CONFIGURATION

An extender consists of:

- Two identical transceivers (RX/TX units) called OBE-LINs. Each unit is shielded and configurable through a manual switch to the LIN master or slave standard. The OBE-LIN does not contain any battery. The OBE-LIN unit that is inside the chamber is supplied by the EUT 12 VDC positive battery node (VBAT, GND). The OBE-LIN unit that is outside the chamber is supplied by a 12VDC dedicated power supply.
- One OBE-LIN-ALIM power supply; 110/230Vac mains supply, 12VDC, 0,5A, to supply the OBE-LIN unit that is outside the chamber. The VBAT, LIN bus and GND pins are available on the DB9 Female connector for user connections.
- A bifiber cable FBxxx, with xxx equal to the length expressed in meter. The standard cable is FB010, 10
 meter long. The fiber connectors are ST type and the fiber cable is sized 200/230 um.
- Two DB9 female connectors that the customer may use for its connections. The electrical cable between the EUT and the nearby OBE-LIN is the responsibility of the customer. In the presence of the radiating field the connection is critical and must be short.

TECHNICAL SPECI	FICATIONS	SYSTEM PARTS	
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Data rate	20kbit/s	OBE-LIN	RXTX Transceivers units (x 2)
Bus interface	Lin spec. Compliant rev. 1.2 Lin spec. Compliant rev. 2.0	OBE-LIN-ALIM	12V power supply for OBE- LIN
Bus termination	$30k\Omega$ (slave)/1k Ω (master) selectable	FB010	10mt Bifibre cable
Electrical connector	DB9 Male	Two DB9 female connectors	May be used to connect OBE-LIN
Optical connector	ST	Anechoic chamber	VBAT, LIN bus, GND pins available on DB9
Power supply	12V from power supply or car battery	VBAT, LIN bus, GND	Female connector for user connections)
Fiber cable type	200µm - multimode		
Fiber length	Up to 100 meters	DB9 female connector	DB9 female power supply OBE-LIN-ALIM
Operating temperature	0 to 50°C		- connector
Dimensions	129 x 79 x 29.5 mm (Lx WxH)	Anechoic chamber	VBAT, LIN bus, GND
Shielding	200V/m up to 18GHz		
ESD Protection	30kV		
OBE-LIN Front view	OBE-LIN Rear view	DB9 female connector	DB9 female connector



OBE-LIN Rear view





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