

MBT-5000 & MBT-5003t L-Band Up/Down Converter System

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Introduction s

The RF marketplace has been transitioning from traditional 70/140 MHz IF-based networks to systems using L-Band (950 to 2000 MHz) for the modem/RF equipment link. The MBT-5000 Up/Down Converter System provides this frequency conversion between L-Band IF and C-/X-/Ku-Band RF frequencies. Featuring a drop down front panel providing access to two "hot swappable" frequency conversion modules, this unit offers either a mix of conversion functionality or 1:1 redundant system operation.

Designed for rack mounting, the MBT-5000's 1RU 19-inch chassis front panel contains all operator controls, indicators and displays for local and remote with RF, IF, power, and communications interfaces on the rear. When configured with the redundancy option, the main chassis contains two diode "OR-ed" internal power supplies for increased reliability along with the necessary IF/RF switches. Providing the level of RF frequency conversion performance that has historically been associated with 70/140 MHz rack mount converter systems, the MBT-5000 provides a smooth IF infrastructure upgrade path.

Key Features s

- Meets or exceeds IECC-308/309
- Facilitates 188-164A system compliance
- Low phase noise
- Powerful M&C support
- Ethernet/Telnet/SNMP
- EIA-232/485
- Flexible configuration
- RF Band switching in minimal time without requiring tools
- Available 1:1 redundancy in a 1RU chassis (MBT-5000) or a 3RU chassis (MBT-5003)

MBT-5003 s

The MBT-5003 is a 3RU version of the MBT-5000, providing higher output power and a "single chassis" redundant solution. This package is designed for rugged "fly-away" terminal use.

Applications s

The flexibility of the MBT-5000 & MBT-5003 make them ideally suited for:

- Earth stations where L-Band IF products are being integrated into a 70/140 MHz IF infrastructure
- Reconfigurable Multi-Band requirements that are typically found in transportable / flyaway type installations

Block Up Converter (BUC-5000)s

The BUC-5000 field interchangeable module translates an L-Band input carrier to the desired output frequency (C, X, or Ku-Band) with an output level capable of driving an HPA. Available bands include:

Frequency Bands By Model

	RF Output	IF Input	O
BUC-5000CI	5850 – 6425 MHz	950 – 1525 MHz	4900 MHz
Option I	6650 MHz	1750 MHz	
Option I	6725 MHz	1825 MHz	
BUC-5000CII	5850 – 6425 MHz	950 – 1525 MHz	7375 MHz
Inverted I			
BUC-5000XI	7900 – 8400 MHz	950 – 1450 MHz	6950 MHz
Optional I	7900 – 8400 MHz	1000 – 1500 MHz	6900 MHz
BUC-5000KuI	13.75 – 14.50 GHz	950 – 1700 MHz	12.80 GHz
BUC-5000KuNI	14.00 – 14.50 GHz	950 – 1450 MHz	13.05 GHz
MBT-5003I	7900 – 8400 MHz	1000 – 1500 MHz	6900 MHz



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Block Down Converter (BDC-5000)

The BDC-5000 field interchangeable module translates a band specific input frequency block (C, X, or Ku), from the LNA, down to L-Band (950 to 2000 MHz). Available bands include:

Frequency Bands By Model

	RF Input	IF Output	LO
BDC-5000C	3400 – 4200 MHz T	950 – 1750 MHz T	5150 MHz T
BDC-5000CN1T Non-inverting	3625 – 4200 MHz T	1325 – 1900 MHz T	2300 MHz T
BDC-5000XT Optional	7250 – 7750 MHz T	950 – 1450 MHz T	6300 MHz T
BDC-5000KT Switched LO 5	10.95 – 11.70 GHz 5 11.70 – 12.20 GHz T 12.25 – 12.75 GHz T	950 – 1700 MHz T 950 – 1450 MHz T 950 – 1450 MHz T	10.00 GHz 5 10.75 GHz T 11.30 GHz T
Option 1T	10.95 – 11.70 GHz T 11.70 – 12.75 GHz T	950 – 1700 MHz T 950 – 2000 MHz T	10.00 GHz T 10.75 GHz T
Option 5T	10.70 – 11.70 GHz T 11.70 – 12.75 GHz T	950 – 1950 MHz T 950 – 2000 MHz T	9.75 GHz T 10.75 GHz T
MBT-5003T	7250 – 7750 MHz T	1000 – 1500 MHz T	6250 MHz T

Specifications

BUC-5000 Block Up Converter IDUv

Input/Output Impedance	50 Ω
Input Return Loss	15 dB minimum 5
Output Return Loss	18 dB minimum 5
Input Connector	N, Female SMA for Redundancy option, TNC for MBT-5003)
Output Connector	N, Female SMA for Redundancy option 5
Gain	30 dB nominal (38 dB for MBT-5003) at minimum 5 attenuation 5
Full Band (Constant)	+/-525 dB/+/-51.0 dB (to +56°C for MBT-5003) 5 +/-5.25 dB 5
Temp./ 0° to 50°C 5	
Per 40 MHz Slope	.03 dB/MHz Max. 5
Mute	-60 dBc (-80dBm for MBT-5003) 5
User Attenuation Range	0 to 20 dB (50 dB for MBT-5003), in 0.25 dB steps 5
Output Power, P1dB	+15 dBm (+22 dBm for MBT-5003) minimum 5
Noise Figure	15 dB at minimum attenuation 5
Intermodulation Distortion	-50 dBc at 0 dBm Total Output 5 -30 dBc at 3 dB OPBO Total Output (MBT-5003) 5
Lo Leakage	-60 dBm (-75 dBm MBT-5003) 5
60 Hz & Harmonics	<-36 dBc (typically <-50 dBc) 5
Phase Non-Linearity	
per 20 MHz BW	8 degrees p-p 5
per 36 MHz BW	12 degrees p-p
Spurious (In-band)	
Carrier Related	-60 dBc (-75 dBc for MBT-5003) 5
Non-Carrier Related	-60 dBm (-70 dBm for MBT-5003) 5
Phase Noise	Exceeds MIL-STD-188-164A 5
100 Hz	-68 dBc/Hz 5
1 kHz	-78 dBc/Hz 5
10 kHz	-88 dBc/Hz 5
100 kHz	-98 dBc/Hz 5
1 MHz	-108 dBc/Hz 5

Monitor & Control

Serial M&C Interface	TIA/EIA-232, TIA/EIA-485, 4-wire 5 9-pin D, Female 5
Alarm	Form C 5 9-pin D, Female 5
Redundant Switch Connections	SMA Female 5
Remote Interface	Ethernet, RJ-45 5

Reference

External Input	55 or 105 MHz 0 ± 55 dBm 5 BNC Female
Optional output	10 MHz Rear Panel 5 BNC Female 5
Internal	
Stability over Time	± 1 x 10⁻⁸/Day 5
Stability over Temp	± 1 x 10⁻⁸/Day 5

BDC-5000 Block Down Converter IDUv

Input/Output Impedance	50 Ω
Input Return Loss	18 dB minimum 5
Output Return Loss	15 dB minimum 5
Input Connector	N, Female SMA for Redundancy option 5
Output Connector	N, Female SMA for Redundancy option, TNC for MBT-5003) 5
Gain	35 dB nominal (38 dB for MBT-5003) at minimum 5 attenuation 5
Full Band (Constant)	+/-525 dB/+/-51.0 dB (to +56°C for MBT-5003) 5 +/-5.25 dB 5
Temp./ 0° to 50°C 5	
Per 40 MHz Slope	.03 dB/MHz Max. 5
Mute	-60 dBc (-80 dBm for MBT-5003) 5
User Attenuation Range	0 to 20 dB, in 0.25 dB steps 5
Output Power, P1dB	+ 15 dBm (+ 20 dBm for MBT-5003) minimum 5
Noise Figure	15 dB at minimum attenuation 5
Intermodulation Distortion	-50 dBc at 0 dBm Total Output 5 -56 dBc at 3 dBm Total Output (MBT-5003) 5
Spurious (In-band)	
Carrier Related	-60 dBc (-75 dBc, MBT-5003) 5
Non-Carrier Related	-60 dBm (-70 dBm, MBT-5003) 5
2nd Harmonic	20 dBc max. (-40 dBc typical) 5
Lo Leakage	-60 dBm (-75 dBm, MBT-5003) 5
60 Hz & Harmonics	<-36 dBc (typically <-50 dBc) 5
Phase Non-Linearity	
per 20 MHz BW	3 degrees p-p 5
per 36 MHz BW	4 degrees p-p 5
Phase Noise	Exceeds MIL-STD-188-164A 5
100 Hz	-68 dBc/Hz 5
1 kHz	-78 dBc/Hz 5
10 kHz	-88 dBc/Hz 5
100 kHz	-98 dBc/Hz 5
1 MHz	-108 dBc/Hz 5

Physical & Environmental

Operating Temp.	0° to 50°C (56°C, MBT-5003) 5
Non-Operating Temp.	-50° to 70°C 5
Humidity	5 to 95% non-condensing 5
Operational Altitude	10,000 ft. above sea level 5
Weight	15 lbs nominal 5
Dimensions	1.75" x 19" x 15" (MBT-5000) 5 5.22" x 19" x 14" (MBT-5003) 5

Power

Voltage	90 – 260 VAC 5 .48 VDC Optional 5
Frequency	47 to 63 Hz 5
Dissipation	60 W (100 W, MBT-5003) typical 5