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Abstract:A wireless terahertz (THz) analogue communication link using a quantum cascade laser (QCL) as the source and a quantum well photodetector as the receiver is demonstrated. The QCL operates in continuous-wave mode. By directly modulating the QCL emitting at 4.1THz, analogue signals are transmitted over a distance of 2m. The circuit-limited modulation bandwidth is about 580kHz. © 2011 The Institution of Engineering and Technology.