WBPA0538A
0.5- 3.8 GHz LOW NOISE WIDE BAND AMPLIFIER

Key Features

- 50 Ohm Impedance
- 0.5 ~ 3.8 GHz
- 1.20 dB Noise Figure
- 43.0 dBm output IP_3
- 35.0 dB Gain
- 27.0 dBm P_{1dB}
- 1.5:1 VSWR
- Single Power Supply
- >34 years MTBF
- Unconditional stable
- RoHS compliant

Product Description

WBPA0538A integrates WanTcom proprietary low noise amplifier technology, high frequency micro electronic assembly techniques, and high reliability design to realize optimum low noise figure, wideband, high linearity, and unconditional stable performances together. With single +10.0V DC operation, the amplifier has optimal input and output matching in the specified frequency range at 50-Ohm impedance system. The amplifier has standard SMA connectorized WP-6 Gold plated housing.

The amplifier is designed to meet the rugged standard of MIL-STD-202g.

Applications

- Mobile Infrastructures
- GPS
- CATV/DBS
- Defense
- Security System
- Measurement
- Fixed Wireless

Specifications

Summary of the electrical specifications WBPA0538A at room temperature

Index	Testing Item	Symbol	Test Constraints	Min	Nom	Max	Unit
1	Gain	S_{21}	0.5 – 3.8 GHz		35		dB
2	Gain Variation	ΔG	0.5 – 3.8 GHz		+/- 1.0	+/-1.5	dB
3	Input VSWR	SWR_1	0.5 – 3.8 GHz		1.5:1	2:1	Ratio
4	Output VSWR	SWR_2	0.5 – 3.8 GHz		1.5:1	2:1	Ratio
5	Reverse Isolation	S_{12}	0.5 – 3.8 GHz		60		dB
6	Noise figure	NF	0.5 – 3.8 GHz		1.2	1.5	dB
7	Output Power 1dB Compression Point	P_{1dB}	0.5 – 3.8 GHz	24	27		dBm
8	Output-Third-Order Interception Point	IP_3	Two-Tone, P_{out} +10 dBm each, 1 MHz separation	38	43		dBm
9	DC Current Consumption	I_{dd}	V_{dd}= +10 V		300		mA
10	DC Power Supply Voltage	V_{dd}		+9	+10	+11	V
11	Thermal Resistance[1]	$R_{th,c}$	Junction to case			45	$^oC/W$
12	Operating Temperature	T_o		-40		+85	^oC
13	Maximum Average RF Input Power	$P_{IN, MAX}$	DC – 6.0 GHz			10	dBm

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameters	Units	Ratings
DC Power Supply Voltage	V	12
Drain Current	mA	500
Total Power Dissipation	W	3.5
RF CW Input Power	dBm	10
Channel Temperature	°C	150
Storage Temperature	°C	-55 ~ 125
Operating Temperature	°C	-40 ~ 85
Thermal Resistance	°C/W	45

Operation of this device above any one of these parameters may cause permanent damage.

Functional Block Diagram
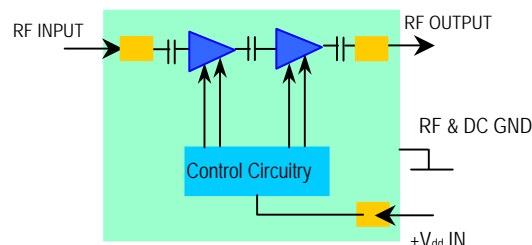
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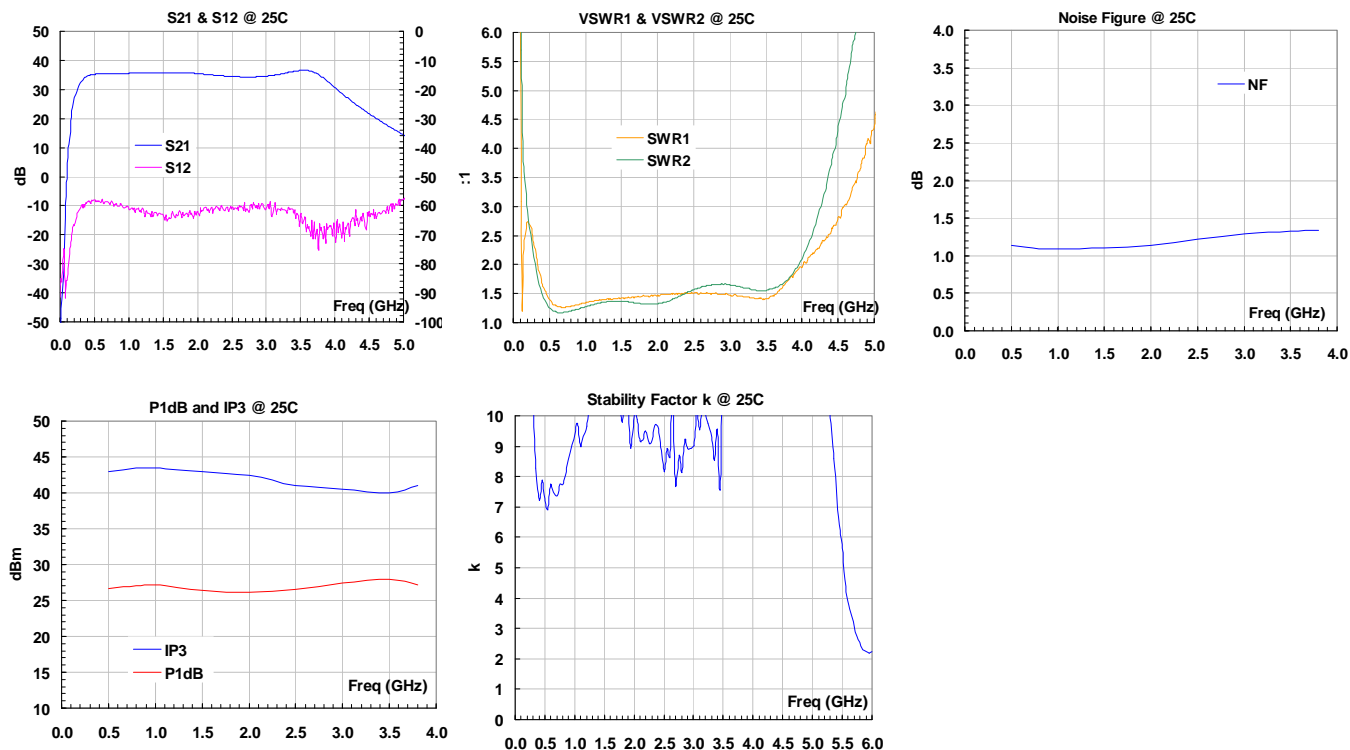| Model Number	WBPA0538A

!Additional heat sink required for continuous operation!

[1] Last stage transistor biased at I_{ds} = 190 mA @ V_{ds} = 9.0V. The total maximum junction temperature at 85 ^0C case temperature thus is 9 x 0.19 x 45 + 85 = 162 ^0C

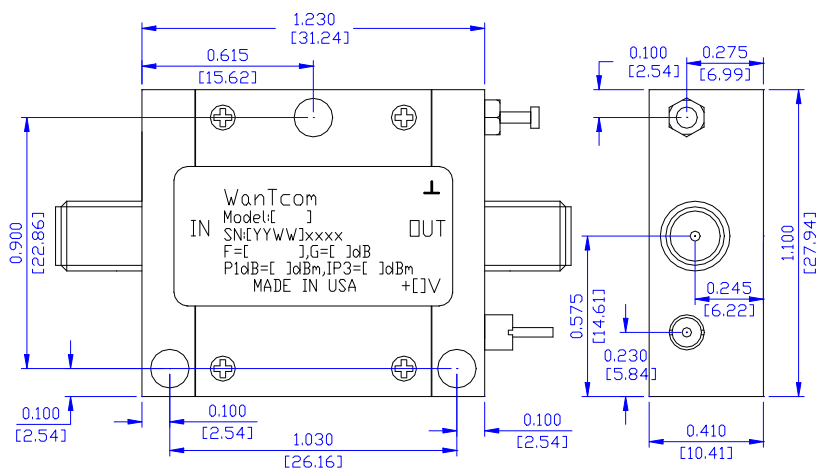Specifications and information are subject to change without notice.

Typical Data

S21 & S12 @ 25C

VSWR1 & VSWR2 @ 25C

Noise Figure @ 25C

P1dB and IP3 @ 25C

Stability Factor k @ 25C

Outline, WP-6 Housing

UNITS: INCH
                  [mm]
BODY: Brass
Finish: Gold Plating
RF Connector: SMA F Gold
V_{dd} PWR: Feed through

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Model:[ ]
SN:[YYWW]xxxx
F=[   ],G=[ ]dB
P1dB=[ ]dBm,IP3=[ ]dBm
MADE IN USA   +[ ]V
IN   OUT

1.230 [31.24]
0.615 [15.62]
0.900 [22.86]
0.100 [2.54]
0.100 [2.54]
1.030 [26.16]
0.100 [2.54]
0.100 [2.54]
0.275 [6.99]
1.100 [27.94]
0.245 [6.22]
0.575 [14.61]
0.230 [5.84]
0.410 [10.41]

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Application Notes:

A. SMA Torque Wrench Selection

Always use a torque wrench with 5 ~ 6 inch-lb coupling torque setting for mating the SMA cables to the amplifier. Never use torque more than 8 inch-lb wrench for tightening the mating cable to the connector. Otherwise, the permanent damage will occur to the SMA connectors of the amplifier. 8710-1582 (5 inch-lb) is one of the good torque wrench choice from Agilent Technology.

B. DC Power Line Connection

Strip the insulation layer at the end of DC power supply wire. The stripped distance should be in the range of 0.100" to 0.200". The 24 ~ 26 American Wire Gauge wire is suitable. Wound the stripped terminal wire about 1 to 2 turns on the DC feed thru center pin. Solder the wounded wire and the center pin together. Clean the soldering area by Q-tip with alcohol to remove the flux and residue.

Repeat the process to solder the DC return wire on the ground turret.

C. Mounting the Amplifier

Use three pieces of #4-40 with longer than 9/16" screws for mounting the amplifier on a metal-based chase or heat sink. Flat and spring washers are needed to prevent the screw loosening during the shock and vibration. Always use the appropriate torque setting of the power screwdriver to mount them.

The proper heat dissipation method is required for continuous operation.

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