

Wide Band Solid State Power Amplifier 18GHz-40GHz



Product Description

RFLUPA18G40GA is a wide band solid state power amplifier with a frequency range of 18 to 40GHz.

The power output of this amplifier is 27dBm typical. The typical small signal gain is 40dB with a gain flatness of ± 3.0 dB. This power amplifier works with a +10VDC power supply.

The working temperature of this product is between - 40°C and + 70°C.

Features

- Wide band Power Amplifier
- Small Signal Gain 40dB Typical
- Output Saturation Power 27dBm Typical
- Supply Voltage +10VDC
- 50 Ohm Matched Input / Output

Typical Applications

- Wireless Infrastructure
- Military and Aerospace Applications
- Test Instrumentation
- Radar Systems
- 5G Wireless Communications
- Microwave Radio Systems
- TR Modules
- Research and Development
- Cellular Base Stations

Electrical Specifications ($T_A=+25^\circ\text{C}$)

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Frequency Range	18		26	26		40	GHz
Gain	35	40		32	38		dB
Gain Flatness		± 3.0			± 2.5		dB
Gain Variation Over Temperature (-40°C~+70°C)		± 1.5			± 1.5		dB
Noise Figure		5.0	6.0		5.5	7.5	dB
Input VSWR		2.0	2.5		2.3	3.0	: 1
Output 1dB Compression Point (P1dB)	22	25		21	25		dBm
Saturated Output Power (Psat)		27			27		dBm
IM3		20			20		dBc
Isolation S12		-55			-50		dB
Supply Current (Vcc=+10V)		900	1500		900	1500	mA
Weight	Net		0.64 Max.				lbs.
	Including Heat sink		1.2 Max.				
Impedance			50				Ohms
Input / Output Connectors	2.92mm- Female(Input) – 2.92mm- Female(Output)						
Package	Epoxy Sealed (Standard)						
	Hermetically Sealed (Optional)						

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Rating
Operating Voltage	+12VDC
*RF Input Power (RFIN)	+14dBm

Bias Up Procedure

1. Connect ground
2. Connect input and output with 50 Ohm source/load.
(In band VSWR < 1.9:1 or >10dB return loss.)
3. Connect positive supply and make sure power supply can handle max current.

Bias Down Procedure

1. Turn off power supply
2. Remove positive supply Connection
3. Remove RF Connection
4. Remove ground

Environmental Specifications and Test Standards

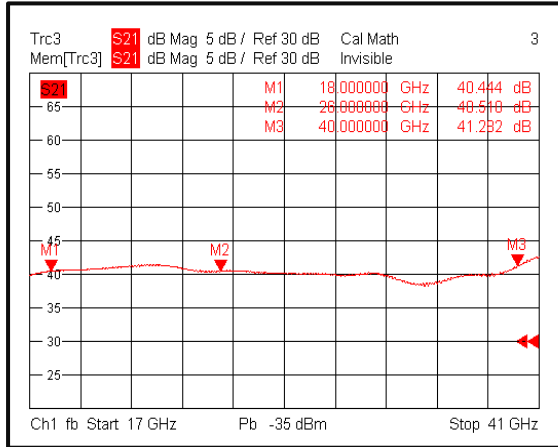
Parameter	Description
Operational Temperature	-40°C to +70°C (Case Temperature)
Storage Temperature	-50°C to +105°C
Thermal Shock	-40°C → +85°C (5 Cycles / 10 hours)
**Random Vibration	MIL-STD-202G Table 214-I, Test Condition Letter C 1.5 Hours Per Axis
High Temperature Burn In	Temperature +70°C for 72 Hours
Shock	1. Weight >20g, 50g half sine wave for 11ms, Speed variation 3.44m/s 2. Weight <=20g, 100g Half sine wave for 6ms, Speed variation 3.75m/s 3. Total 18 times (6 directions, 3 repetitions per direction).
Altitude	Standard: 30,000 Ft (Epoxy Sealed Controlled Environment) Optional: Hermetically Sealed (60,000 ft. 1.0 PSI min)
Hermetically Sealed (Optional)	MIL-STD-883 (For Hermetically Sealed Units)

*Maximum RF input power is set to assure safety of amplifier. Input power may be increased at own risk to achieve full power of amplifier. Please reference gain and power curves.

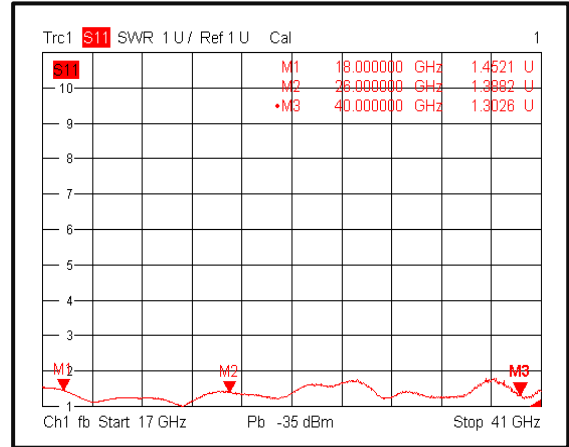
**For vibration testing details please see additional information section.

Typical Performance Plots

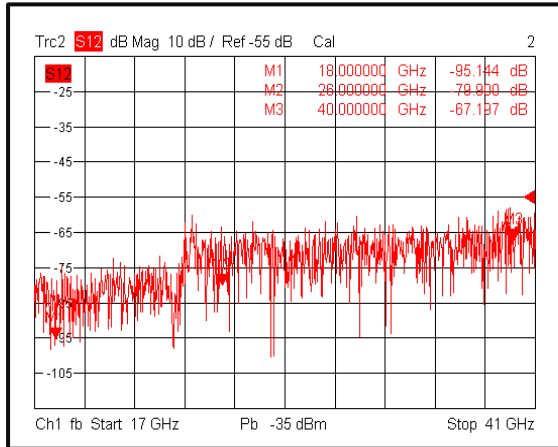
Gain@+25°C



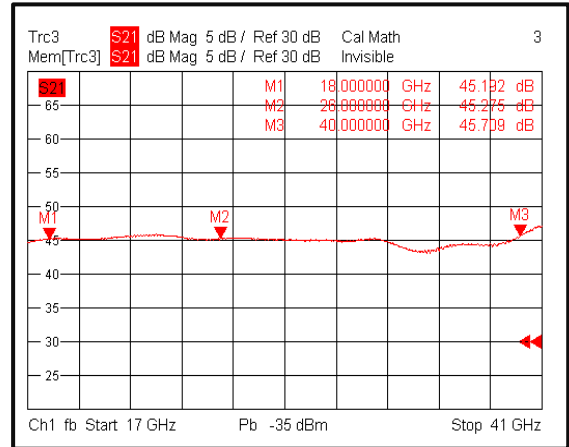
Input VSWR @+25°C



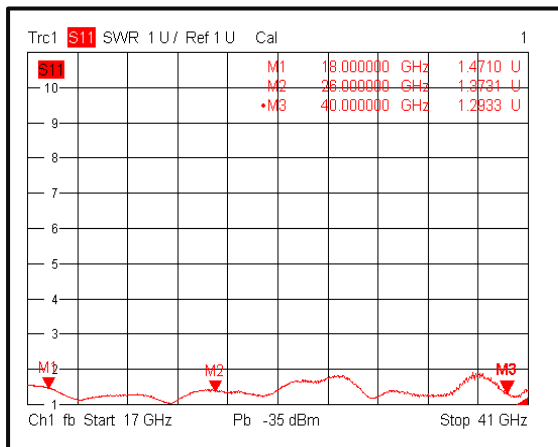
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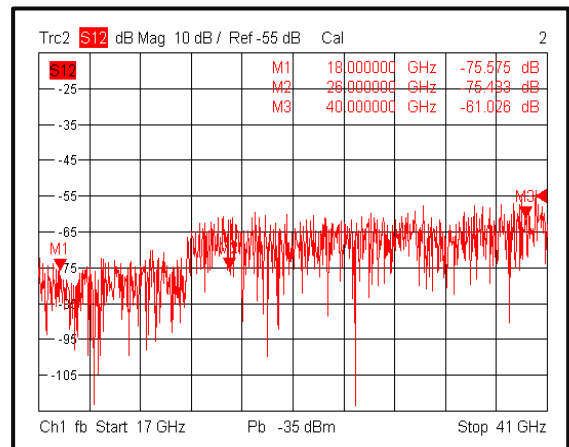
Gain @-40°C



Input VSWR @-40°C

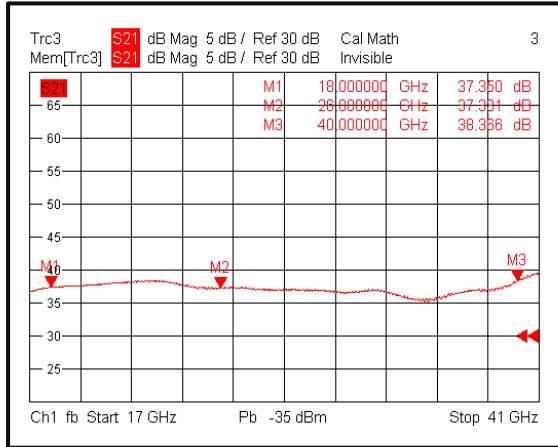


Isolation @-40°C

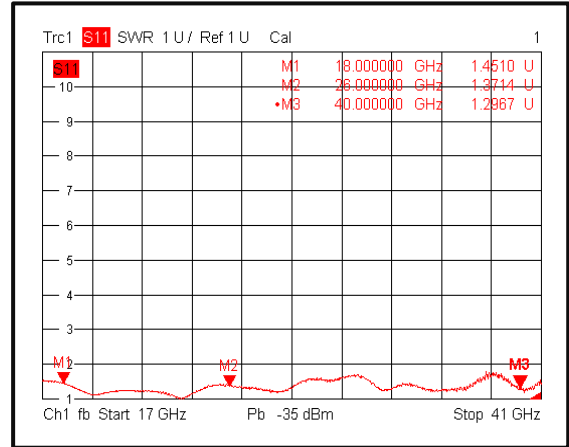


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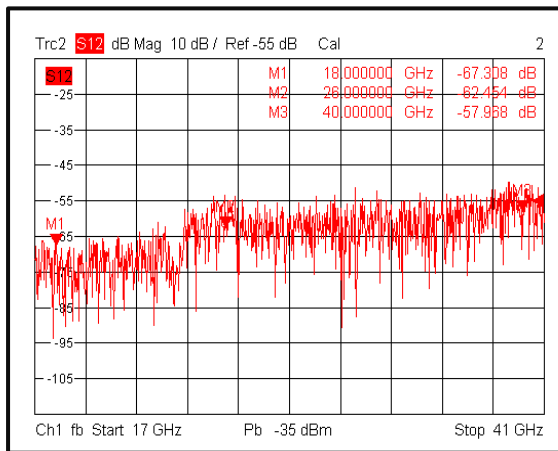
Gain@+70°C



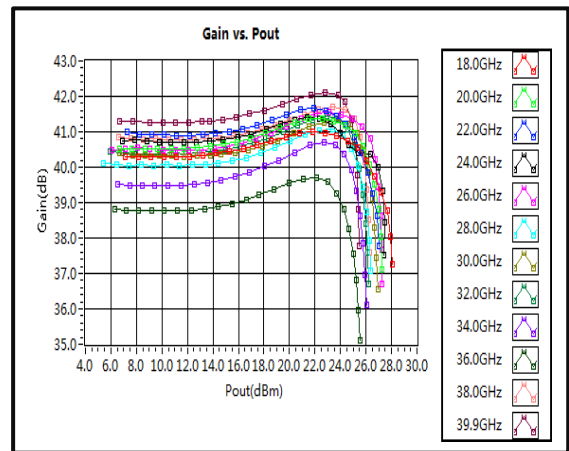
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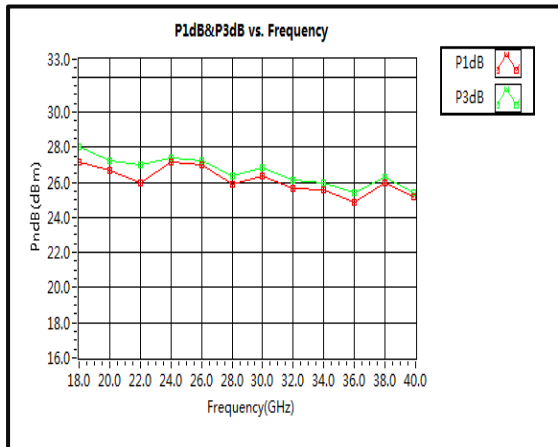
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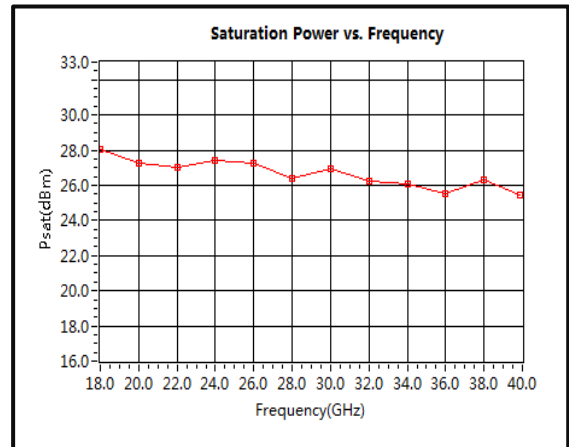
Gain vs. Output Power (CW Power)



P1dB & P3dB vs. Frequency (CW Power)

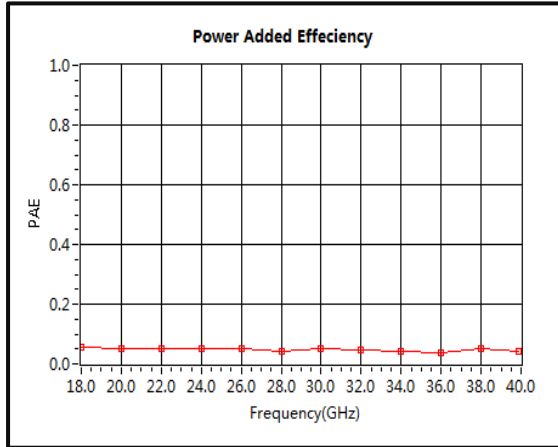


Saturation Power vs. Frequency (CW Power)

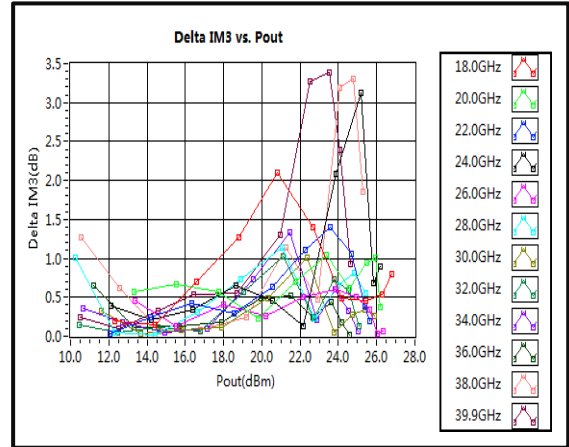


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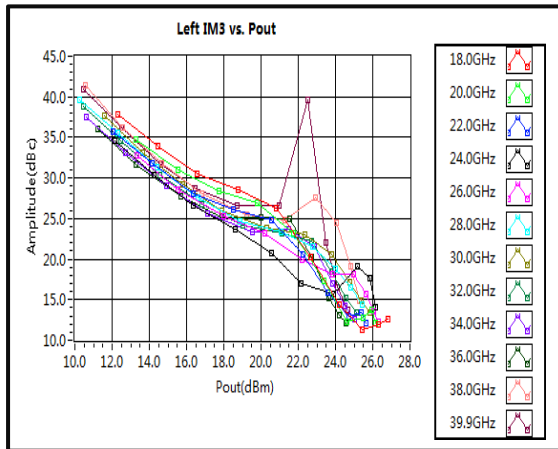
Power Added Efficiency (CW Power)



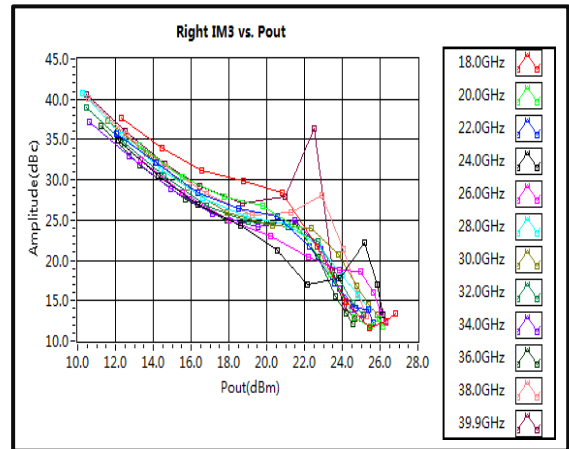
Delta IM3 vs. Pout



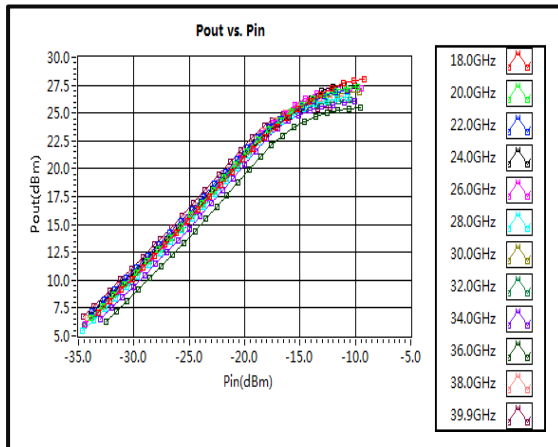
Left IM3 vs. Pout



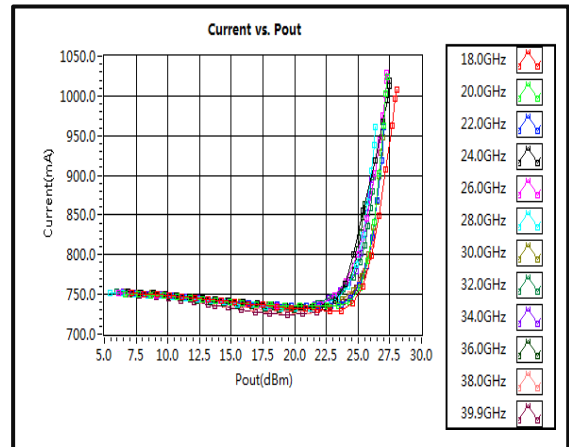
Right IM3 vs. Pout



Pout vs. Pin (CW Power)

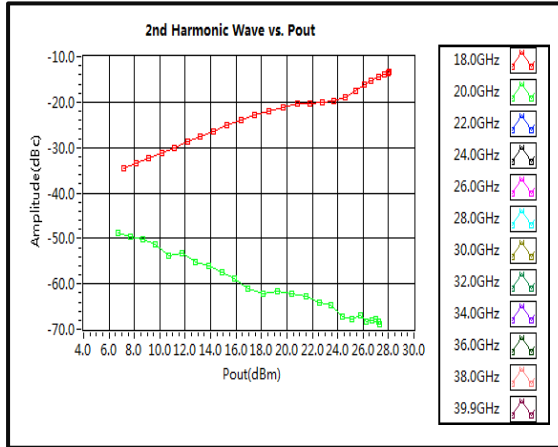


Current vs. Pout (CW Power)

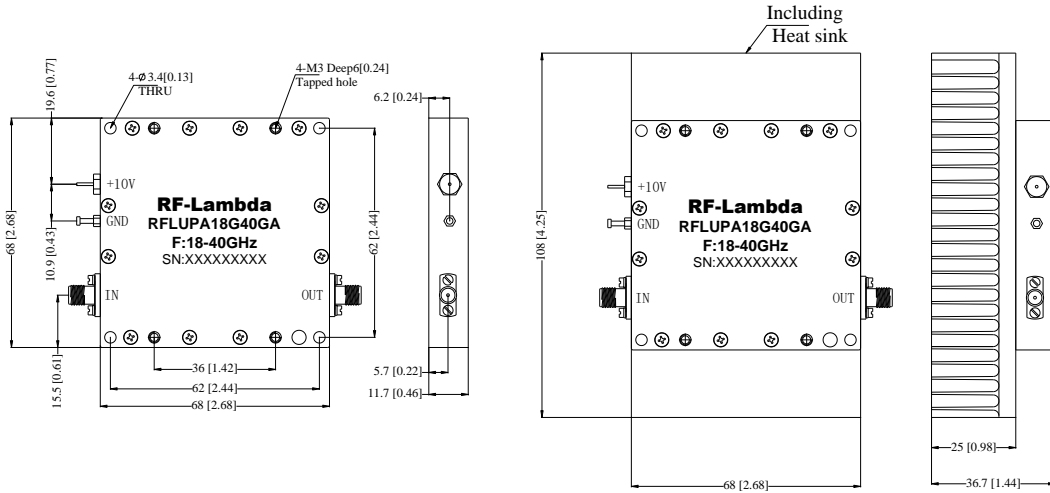


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2nd Harmonic Wave Output Power

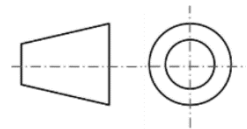


Outline Drawing



Notes:

1. Package Material: Copper
2. Finish: Gold Plated
3. All dimensions are in millimeters [inches].
4. Housing Tolerances ± 0.2 [0.008] unless otherwise specified(Excl Heat Sink).
5. Heat sink required during operation (sold separately). Matching heatsink is listed on our website. If customer would like to use their own cooling method, please make sure the amplifier will operate under the specs that listed in page 2 of this datasheet.
6. Standard torque wrench must be used to secure RF connectors.



Additional Information

Documentation	Webpage
ESD Policy	https://rflambda.com/pdf/rflambda_esd_control.pdf
Heatsink Lookup Specifications	https://rflambda.com/search_heatsink.jsp
Connector Torque Specifications	https://www.rflambda.com/pdf/Torque_Specifications.pdf
Random Vibration Test Standard	https://www.rflambda.com/pdf/rflambda_random_vibration_MIL-STD-202G.pdf

Ordering Information

Part Number	Modification	Description
RFLUPA18G40GA	Connectors 2.92mm-Female	18GHz-40GHz Power Amplifier

Amplifier Use

Ensure that the amplifier input and output ports are safely terminated into a proper 50 ohm load before turning on the power. Never operate the amplifier without a load. A proper 50 ohm load is defined as a load with impedance less than 1.9:1 or return loss larger than 10dB relative to 50 Ohm within the specified operating band width.

Power Supply Requirements

Power supply must be able to provide adequate current for the amplifier. Power supply should be able to provide 1.5 times the typical current or 1.2 times the maximum current (whichever is greater).

In most cases, RF - Lambda amplifiers will withstand severe mismatches without damage. However, operation with poor loads is discouraged. If prolonged operation with poor or unknown loads is expected, an external device such as an isolator or circulator should be used to protect the amplifier.

Ensure that the power is off when connecting or disconnecting the input or output of the amp.

Prevent overdriving the amplifier. Do not exceed the recommended input power level.

Adequate heat-sinking required for RF amplifier modules. Please inquire.

Amplifiers do not contain Thermal protection, Reverse DC polarity or Over voltage protection with the exception of a few models. Please inquire.

Proper electrostatic discharge (ESD) precautions are recommended to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

What is not covered with warranty?

Each RF - Lambda amplifier will go through power and temperature stress testing. Since the die, ICs or MMICs are fragile, these are not covered by warranty. Any damage to these will NOT be free to repair.

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