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100W Wideband EMC Benchtop Power Amplifier 18GHz – 40GHz

REMC18G40GN



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PRODUCT SUMMARY

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

REMC18G40GN is a wideband EMC power amplifier with a frequency range of 18 to 40GHz.

The power output of this amplifier is 51dBm typical. The typical small signal gain is 70dB with a flatness of ± 5.0 dB. This performance is achieved through the use of GaN devices. The power amplifier's input connector is 2.92mm-Male and Output connector is WRD180C24. The operating temperature of this product is within 0°C to +50°C.



FEATURES

- » Wide band EMC Solid State Power Amplifier
- » Small Signal Gain 70dB Typical
- » Output Saturation Power 51dBm Typical
- » Supply Voltage 110/220 VAC
- » 50 Ohm Matched Input / Output
- » Fast RF Blanking
- » Real Time VSWR measurement
- » Internal Signal Generator – Optional
- » Over Temperature Protection
- » Over Current Protection
- » Over Voltage Protection



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

QUALITY STANDARDS



ESD Policy



https://rflambda.com/pdf/rflambda_esd_control.pdf

Random Vibration Test Standard



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Connector Torque Specifications



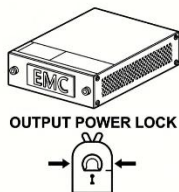
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Parameter	Description
Operational Temperature	0°C to +50°C (Ambient Temperature)
Thermal Shock	0°C → +50°C (5 Cycles / 10 hours, Only internal modules tested prior to final assembly)
*Random Vibration	MIL-STD-202G, Table 214-I, Test Condition Letter C, 1.5 Hours Per Axis
High Temperature Burn In	Temperature +50°C for 72 Hours
Storage Temperature	-40°C to +85°C

*For vibration testing details please see additional information section.

RF-Lambda is ISO: 9000 certified with 25,000 ft² combined R&D and production space, including an ISO7 10K Clean Room to meet ISO-14644-1.

PRODUCT FUNCTIONS



Local/Remote Control Toggle



Select control mode:
Local (direct) or Remote (network)



1 EMC Functions

- Output Power Lock
- Automatic Calibration

2 Mode Selections

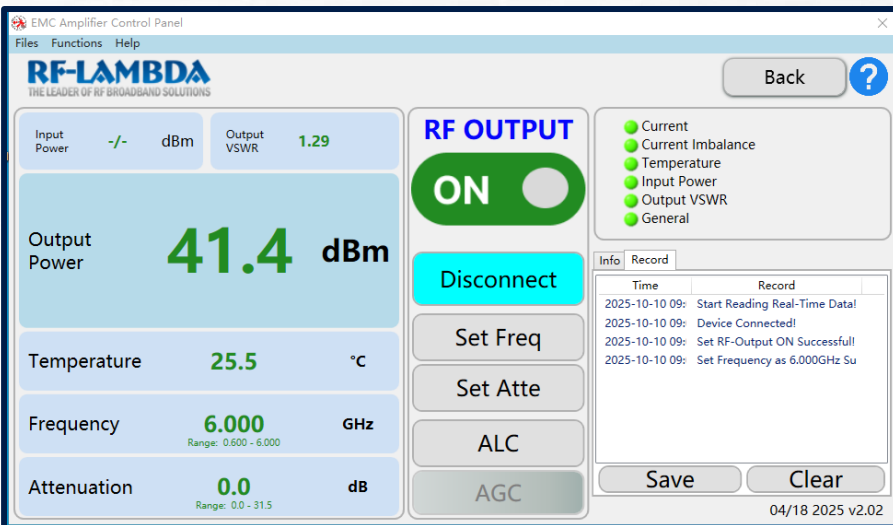
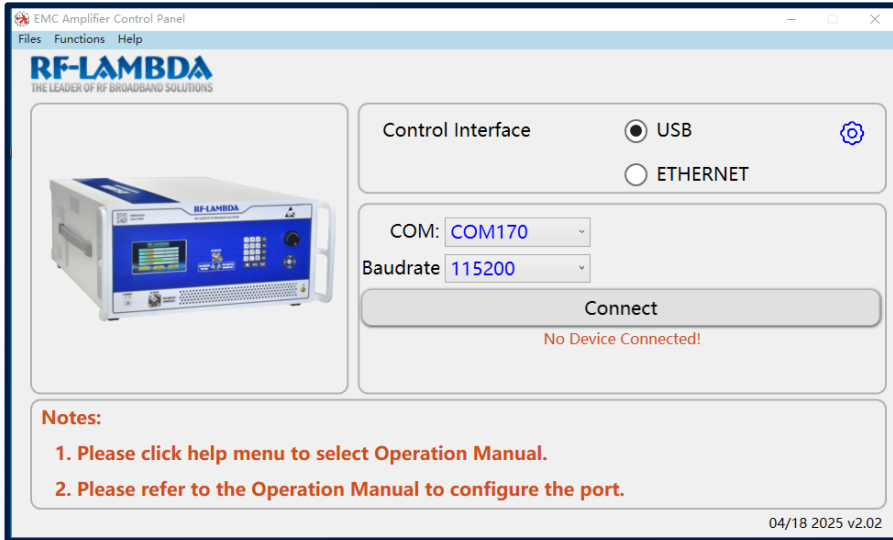
- Local
- Remote Control

3 Product Safety Interlock

- Input Power Overload Protection
- Output Mismatch Protection
- Over Temperature Protection
- Over Current Protection
- Cooling System Anomaly Protection

Category	Function	Included	Optional (Licensing)	Optional (Hardware)	NOT Applicable
Product Safety Interlock	Input Overload Protection	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Output VSWR Protection	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Current Overload Protection	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Temperature Protection	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Current Imbalance Protection	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Overvoltage and Undervoltage Protection	☒	☐	☐	☐
	AC Power Abnormality Protection	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Fan Abnormality Protection	☒	☐	☐	☐
User Operation Functions	USB, LAN Communication	☒	☐	☐	☐
	DB Interface	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Self-Calibration Function	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Gain Compensation Over Temperature	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Current Compensation Over Temperature	☒	☐	☐	☐
	TDD Control - RF Switch Enable	☒	☐	☐	☐
	TDD Control - Positive Voltage Enable	☒	☐	☐	☐
	TDD Control - Negative Voltage Enable	☒	☐	☐	☐
	GUI Interface	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Parameter Setting	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Gain Calibration Each Stage	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Software ON/OFF Function	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Modularized System Integration	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Remote Software Control ON/OFF	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Rotary Gain Adjustment	☒	☐	☐	☐
EMC Functions	Screen Protection Function	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Touch Screen Display	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Developer Interface	☒	☐	☐	☐
	System Log Recording	☒	☒	☐	☐
User Customization Functions	Output VSWR Measurement	☒	☒	☐	☐
	Input Power Measurement	☒	☒	☐	☐
	ALC - Automatic Loop Control Gain	☒	☒	☐	☐
	AGC - Automatic Gain Control Function	☐	☒	☐	☐
	Input Circulator Protection (Internal Load)	☐	☐	☒	☐
	Output Circulator Protection (Internal Load)	☐	☐	☒	☐
	Waveguide Adapter (E-H)	☐	☐	☒	☐
	Fast RF Blanking	☒	☐	☐	☐
	Single Frequency Output	☐	☒	☐	☐
	Frequency Auto Sweeping	☐	☒	☐	☐
Internal Signal Generator	Frequency Hopping	☐	☒	☐	☐
	External Signal	☐	☒	☐	☐

REMOTE CONTROL



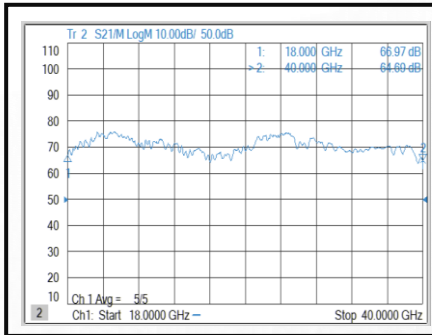
TECHNICAL DATA SPECIFICATIONS

Parameter		Min	Typ	Max	Units
Frequency Range		18		40	GHz
Small Signal Gain		60	70		dB
Gain Flatness			±5.0		dB
Gain Variation Over Temperature (0°C to 50°C)			±3.0		dB
Input Return Loss			-14		dB
Output 1dB Compression Point (P1dB)			46		dBm
Saturated Output Power (Psat)(CW)		49	51		dBm
Supply Current (220V AC)			10		A
Power Added Efficiency (PAE)			10		%
IM3			-15		dBc
Turn On/Off Speed (Switch Disable)	ON		100		ns
	OFF		100		ns
Turn On/Off Speed (Drain Disable)	ON		500		us
	OFF		200		us
Turn On/Off Speed (Gate Disable)	ON		1000		us
	OFF		200		us
RF Fast Blanking Speed (Optional)	ON		/		us
	OFF		/		us
(Mute RF Output signal and noise)					
Optional RF Fast Blanking Frequency (Optional)			/		kHz
Weight			76 Max		lbs.
Impedance			50		Ohms
*RF Input Power (RFIN)		Psat – Large Signal Gain			
Package		4U Rack-mount/Tabletop Chassis			
Cooling System		Forced air (Self-contained fan)			
Supply Voltage			110 to 220		VAC
Supply Frequency			47 to 63		Hz
Supply Power			2000		W

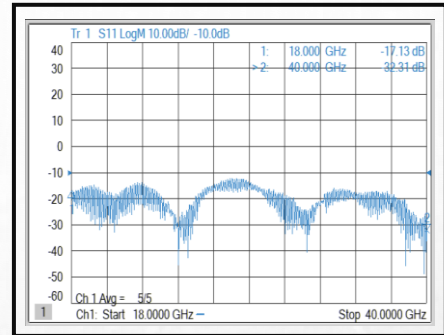
*Maximum RF input power is set to assure safety of amplifier. Input power may be increased at own risk to achieve full power of amplifier. Please reference gain and power curves.

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE PLOTS

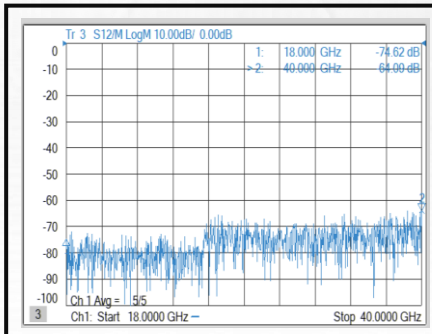
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Input Return Loss



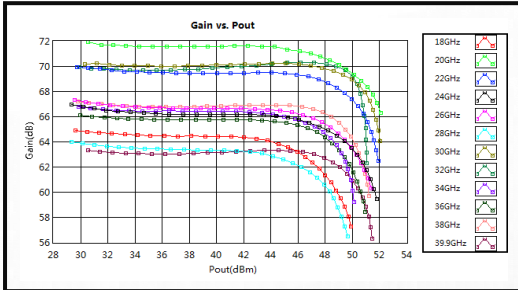
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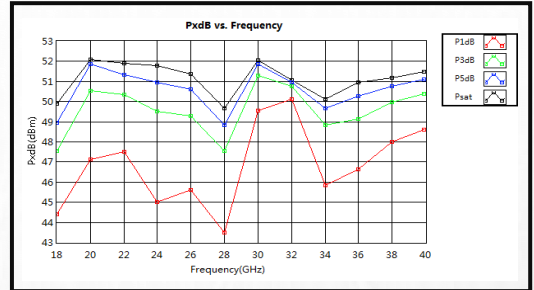
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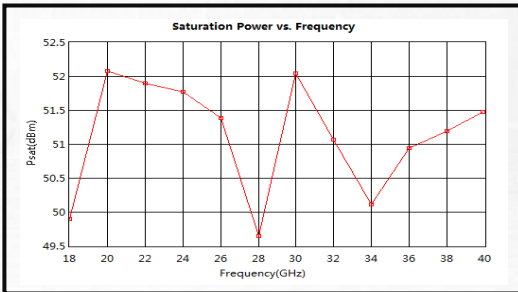
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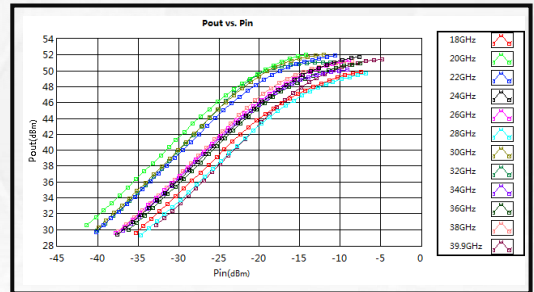
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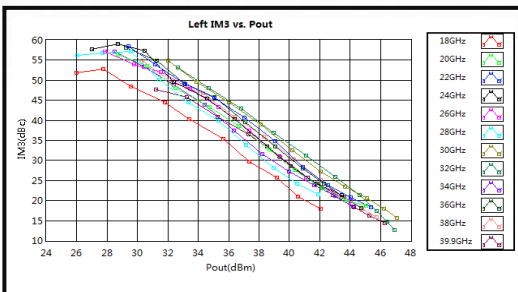
Saturation Power vs. Frequency CW



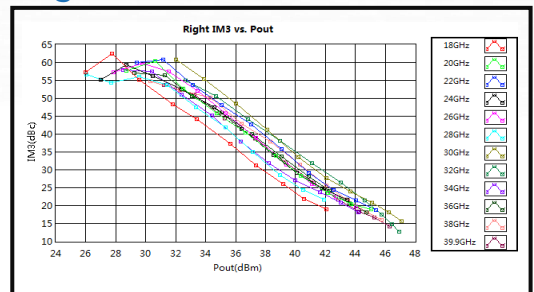
Pout vs. Pin CW



Left IM3 vs. Pout CW

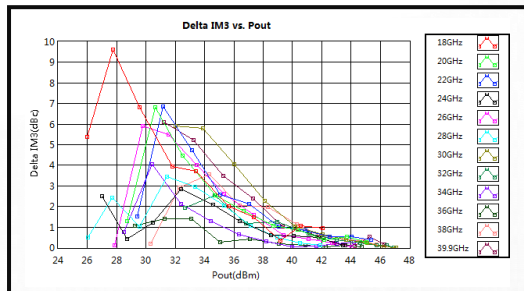


Right IM3 vs. Pout CW



TYPICAL PERFORMANCE PLOTS

Delta IM3 vs. Pout CW



Note: IM3 test performed with 1 MHz tone spacing

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE PLOTS

The Gates Open Time is 1000us



The Gates Closure Time is 200us



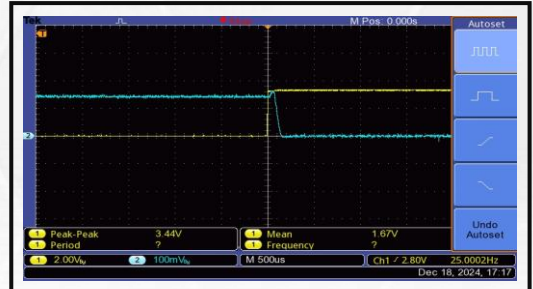
The gate control port : D-sub 15 PIN #4 (Gate Disable).

The yellow curve is the gate control signal, the blue curve is RF output envelope.

The Drains Open Time is 500us



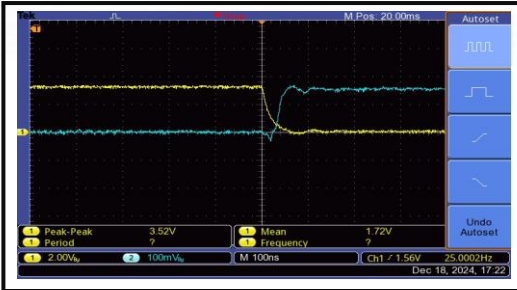
The Drains Closure Time is 200us



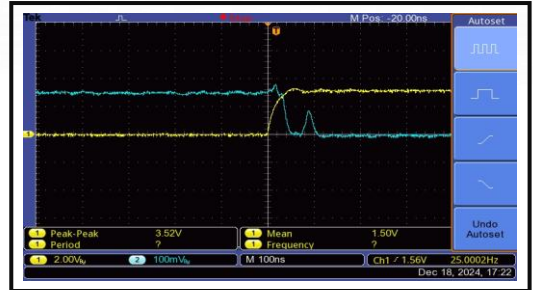
The drain control port : D-sub 15 PIN #3 (Drain Disable).

The yellow curve is the drain control signal, the blue curve is RF output envelope.

The RF Switch On Time is 100ns



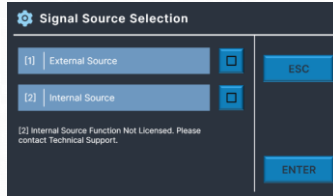
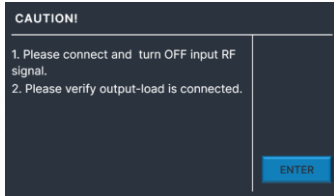
The RF Switch Off Time is 100ns



The switch control port: D-sub 15 PIN #2 (Switch Disable).

The yellow curve is the switch control signal, the blue curve is RF output envelope.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE



Please follow the instructions on the front panel LCD screen after switching on the power. Press “ENTER” on keypad to continue.

Please follow the instructions

Name	Description
RF Output Status	Indicates instrument RF output status. It will display: ON or OFF
Frequency	RF input signal frequency (For illustrative purposes only)
Output Power	Instrument RF output power (For illustrative purposes only)
RF ON/OFF	Switches On or Off for instrument RF output port
ALC	ALC mode, Automatic Loop Control
AGC	AGC mode, Automatic Gain Control, this function is invalid
Temperature	Instrument temperature (For illustrative purposes only)
Attenuation	RF output attenuation (change with adjustment knob)

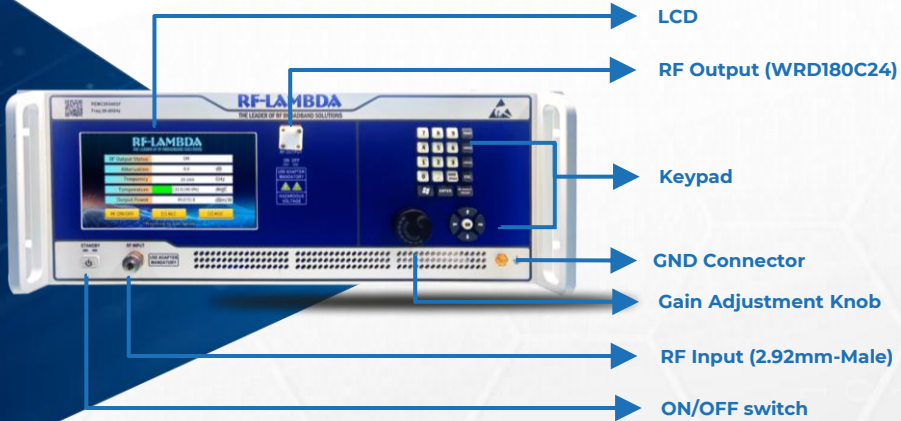
Power On/Off Procedure

Power On Procedure	Power Off Procedure
1. Connect the back panel grounding post to the common ground wire.	1. Turn off the RF output and the input source signal.
2. Connect RF input and RF output with 50 Ohm source/load. (In band VSWR < 1.9:1 or >10dB VSWR).	2. Turn off the unit, turn off the display, and enter standby mode.
3. Connect the AC power cord, turn on the AC switch, and enter standby mode.	3. Turn off the AC switch and remove the AC power cord.
4. Press the front panel switch button to enter operating mode.	4. Remove RF Connection.
5. Ensure the input signal is a low-power signal and turn on the RF output.	5. Remove ground.

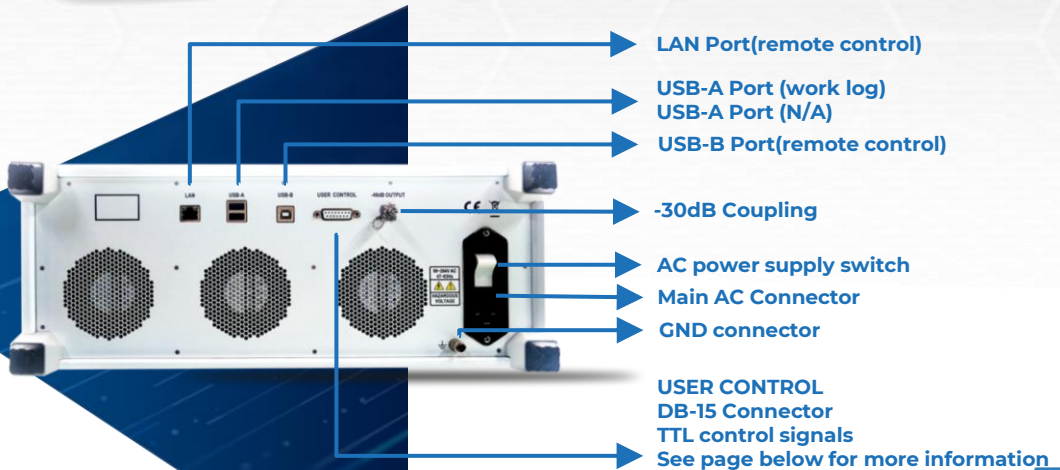
*When using two identical devices simultaneously for testing or power combining applications, it is necessary to add reverse isolation protection measures at the output port of each device to prevent mutual interference from large signals between the devices under different operating conditions, which could cause equipment damage. For example: add an isolator at the output of each device.

INTERFACE DESCRIPTION

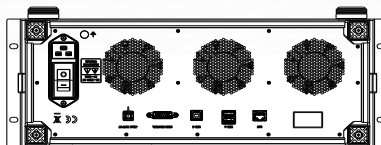
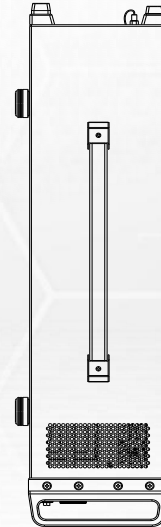
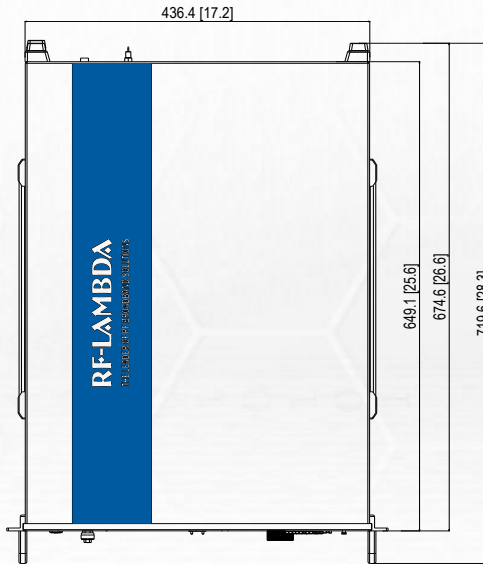
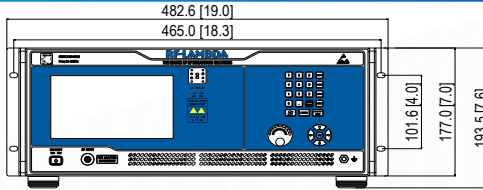
FRONT PANEL



REAR PANEL



OUTLINE DRAWING

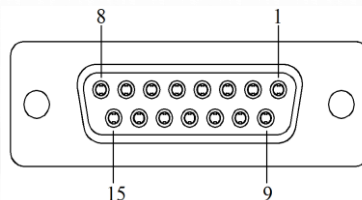


Notes:

1. Package Material: Aluminum
2. Finish: White Baking Paint
3. All dimensions are in millimeters [inches].
4. Standard torque wrench must be used to secure RF connectors.

PROTECTION CONNECTOR TABLE

Female D-Sub is on the housing
The mating male part number: 172-E15-103R001



Pin #	Name	Function	Initial State	Description	Applied
1	Reset	Control	HIGH	Resets PA when logic LOW is applied for five more seconds and released	Yes
2	Gate Disable	Control	LOW	Applying logic HIGH disables gate of amplifiers	Yes
3	Drain Disable	Control	LOW	Applying logic HIGH disables drain of amplifiers	Yes
4	RF Input Over Drive	Indicator	LOW	Pin will be latched to logic HIGH when input signal is over limit	Yes
5	Temperature Over	Indicator	LOW	Pin will be latched to logic HIGH when amplifier is driven over temperature	Yes
6	Current Over	Indicator	LOW	Pin will be latched to logic HIGH when drain current limit is reached	Yes
7	Current Imbalance	Indicator	LOW	Pin will be latched to logic HIGH when an imbalance in the drain current of the combining branches occurs	Yes
8	PA Off Alarm	Indicator	LOW	Pin will be latched to logic HIGH when any of the protection limit is reached	Yes
9	Fan Alarm	Indicator	LOW	Pin will be latched to logic HIGH when Fan limit is reached	Yes
10	RF Input Switch	Control	LOW	Applying logic HIGH turns OFF RF front-end switch to terminator	Yes
11	VSWR	Indicator	LOW	Pin will be latched to logic HIGH when output reflection is over limit	Yes
12	Fixed Attenuation 10dB	Control	LOW	Applying and holding logic HIGH to enable 10dB fixed attenuation	Yes
13	Fixed Attenuation 20dB	Control	LOW	Applying and holding logic HIGH to enable 20dB fixed attenuation	Yes
14	+5V	Power Supply	+5V	+5V DC is provided for reference *	Yes
15	GND	GND	GND	GND	Yes

Notes:

- HIGH/LOW voltages are standard TTL signals 0.0V-0.8V = LOW, 2.8V-5V = HIGH. Input current is 10uA.
- Matching connector and cable will be shipped with the product.
- Applied=Yes means the feature is included. Applied=No means the feature is not included with this model.
- 5V reference supply can source 700mA.
- Indicator output signals can source 24mA.

PACKING LIST

ID	Description	QTY
1	Fig a. AC power supply line (Consulting sales)	1
2	Fig b. DB15 cable (RFCBLADB15)	1
3	Fig c. Adapter(RFCARAKFKF)	1
4	Fig d. Waveguide to coaxial adapter(RFWAD180E0COBS) (Consulting sales)	0
5	Fig e. Waveguide twist (RFTWWRD180C24) (Consulting sales)	0



Fig a.



Fig b.



Fig c.



Fig d.



Fig e.

ORDERING INFORMATION

Part Number	Modification	Description
REMC18G40GN	Input connector 2.92mm-Male and Output connector WRD180C24	18GHz – 40GHz Wideband EMC Benchtop 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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