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Ka-Band Low Noise Amplifiers

LK-20S000 Series



Wideband coverage
Noise temperatures to 110° K
High reliability HEMT design

Input/output isolators

Reverse polarity protection

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Overview

LK-20S000 series Ka-Band Ultra Low Noise Amplifiers are specially designed for satellite earth station and other telecommunications applications. Utilizing state-of-the-art HEMT and GaAs FET technology, these amplifiers have been designed for both fixed and transportable applications. High performance models are available with noise temperatures from 130° K to 110° K. All noise temperature specifications are guaranteed over the full bandwidth of the LNA.

- Low gain, 50 dB typical
- High Output power, P1 dB = +20 dBm minimum
- Excellent guaranteed gain stability due to built-in
- Temperature compensation circuit (test data provided) Universal input AC power supply

Parameter	Notes	Min	Nom./Typ.†	Max.	Units
Frequency	Band "A" Band "B"	18.2 20.2		20.2 21.2	GHz GHz
Gain	Standard Option 1	57 47	60 50	63 53	dB dB
Gain Flatness	Full band Per 40 MHz			±1.0 ±0.2	dB dB
VSWR	Input Output		1.25 1.40	1.30 1.50	:1 :1
Noise Temperature ^A	At +23 °C Versus temperature		See Table 2	See Table 1	
Power Output at 1 dB compression (P ₁ dB)	Standard Option 2	+12 +20	+14 +22		dBm dBm
3rd Order Output Intercept Point, OIP ₃	Standard Option 2	+22 +28	+24 +30		dBm dBm
Group Delay per 40 MHz	Linear Parabolic Ripple			0.01 0.001 0.1	ns/MHz ns/MHz² ns p-p
AM/PM Conversion	-5 dBm Output			0.05	°/dB
Gain Stability (Constant Temp.)	Short term (10 min) Medium term (24 hrs) Long term (1 week)		±0.1 ±0.2 ±0.5		dB dB dB
Gain Stability	Versus temperature (Standard) Improved stability (Option 3) over operational temp range		-0.06	2.0	dB per °C dB pk-pk
Maximum Input Power	Damage threshold Desens. threshold 29.0–31.0 GHz			0 -25	dBm dBm
Connectors	Input Output Power		WR42 Cover Flange (#4-40 THD holes) SMA Female PT02E-8-4P-027 (mate supplied)		
Power Requirements	Voltage (Standard) Current, @ P, dB (Standard) Current, @ P, dB (Option 1) Current, @ P, dB (Option 2) Voltage (Option 4) ^B	11 90	15	24 600 400 600 265	Vdc mA mA MA Vac
Operating Temperature	T _{AMB} (Standard) T _{AMB} (Option 4) ^B	-40 -40		+70 +60	0° 0°

[†]When there is only one value on a line, the Nom./Typ. column is a nominal value; otherwise it is a typical value. Typical values are intended to illustrate typical performance, but are not guaranteed.

^AMaximum noise temperature at +23 °C at any frequency in the specified band.

^B Consult factory for AC power option.

Table 1 – Part Number/Ordering Information

Frequency Range	18.2–20.2 GHz A 20.2–21.2 GHz B
Noise Temperature	130 K 120 K 110 K
Gain	60 dB typ 50 dB typ
Output Power	+12 dBm min +20 dBm min
Compensation	Standard Temperature Compensati
Power Configuration	+11 to +24 Vdc 90-265 Vac, 47-63 Hz (Co
Finish Color	Commercial White Green (Fed Std 595B; #3- Tan (Fed Std 595B; #333

Table 2 – Noise Temperature vs. Ambient Temperature

Noise temperature vs. ambient temperature can be found from the equation,

$NT_2/NT_1 = (T_2/T_1)^{1.8}$

where:

 NT_2

 T_2

- Noise Temperature at T₂ =
- NT_1 Noise Temperature at T₁ =
 - = Temperature 2 in K
- Temperature 1 in K Τı =
 - (K = °C + 273)

Example: For model LKB20S110-XXXXX, NT₁ = 110 K at +23 °C; what is NT₂ at +50 °C? From the table, NT₂ /NT₁ at 50 $^{\circ}$ C = 1.17: NT₂ = 1.17 x (110 K) = 128.7 K at 50 $^{\circ}$ C

Typical Applications



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For the case where $T_1 = 296$ K (+23 °C), the ratio NT_2 / NT_1 is shown in the table below:

Ambient Temperature	Ratio		
T₂ (°C)	NT ₂ /NT ₁		
0	0.86		
+23	1.00		
+40	1.11		
+50	1.17		
+60	1.24		