



Bi-Directional Power Amplifier, L&S-Band

Rev B



Product Overview

The BDALS-1 is a highly efficient bidirectional amplifier ideal for boosting the range of MANET, mesh networks, and other TDMA systems. The BDALS-1 features automatic TX detection to switch between TX and RX modes, making it modem agnostic and compatible with all modulation schemes including OFDM. The BDALS-1 switches between TX and RX in less than 750 ns and boosts TX signals as high as 50W.

The BDALS-1 is designed for operation in harsh environments and has been ruggedized to withstand high vibration and shock profiles associated with military air and ground applications. The transmitter will withstand operation into an infinite VSWR condition with no degradation to the unit. The amplifier can be powered either via the input SMA coax or the power connector. When powered via the coax, Pin C and Pin D must be shorted together at the J3 connector for operation. The BDALS-1 can be configured for either high efficiency or high linearity operation simply by providing a short or an open on a single pin. The BDALS-1 can also provide power to an external fan via the J4 connector.





Technical Specifications

General	
Operating Frequency	1755-2527 MHz
RF Input Level (J1)	+37 dBm (no damage)
ANT Input Level (J2)	+20 dBm (no damage)
TX Enable	+25 dBm max
TX to RX Switching Time	750 ns max
RX to TX Switching Time	750 ns max
DC Power	+19 V-36 V, 28 V nom
*If overdriven in Linear Mode, unit can draw up to 160 W.	

High Efficiency Mode, TX

TX P _{SAT}	25 W typ, 10 W min
Power Draw at PSAT	60 W typ
TX Gain	9 dB ± 1 dB
Gain Change Over Temp	±2 dB

High Efficiency Mode, RX

RX Gain	15 dB typ
RX IP _{1dB}	+0 dBm typ
RX P _{SAT}	+18 dBm max
RX Noise Figure	2.5 dB typ, 5.0 dB max

High Linearity Mode, TX

TX P _{SAT}	50 W typ
TX P _{1dB}	20 W typ
Power Draw at PAVG 8W	60 W typ
TX Gain	10.5 dB ± 1 dB
Gain Change Over Temp	±2 dB

High Linearity Mode, RX

RX Gain	6 dB typ
RX IP _{1dB}	+0 dBm typ
RX PSAT	+10 dBm
RX Noise Figure	3.0 dB typ, 5.0 dB max

Physical

Dimensions	4.0" x 6.0" x 1.0"
Weight	1.6 lbs.

Connectors

RF/DC Input	SMA Female
ANT	SMA Female
Fan Power	PT02E-8-3S
DC Power/Logic*	PT02H-8-4P
*Unit can be powered either via RF input coax or	
DC/Logic connector. Power supply is isolated when	
powered via DC/Logic connector.	

Environmental

Operational Alt	35 kft
Operating Temp	-40°C to +60°C
Amplifier is ruggedized for vibration and shock	
associated with both airborne and ground installs.	

DC Power/Logic Connector Pinout

Pin A	+28V
Pin B	HE_EN, leave open for high efficiency mode,
	short to GND to enable high linearity mode
Pin C	+28V_RTN
Pin D	GND

Fan Power Connector Pinout

Pin A	+28V
Pin B	N/C
Pin C	+28V_RTN
Pin C	+28V_RTN

Install Instructions

The amplifier must be mounted to a heatsink capable of dissipating 100 W of heat. Compatible with CK-052 – CK-055.