

20 GHz Analog High Output Voltage Driver

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FEATURES

- Output voltage up to 12 V_{DD}
- · Linear amplifier
- Flat gain up to 20 GHz
- Single voltage power supply
- · Low group delay variation

APPLICATIONS

- LiNbO₃ modulators
- OFDM, RoF, Phase modulation
- Research & Development

OPTIONS

- Heat-sink
- · Low output voltage version for EAM

RELATED EQUIPMENTS

- MXIQ-LN, MXAN-LN modulators
- MBC-AN Automatic Bias Controllers

The Photline DR-AN-20-HO is a wideband RF amplifier module designed for analog applications at frequencies up to 20 GHz.

The Photline DR-AN-20-HO is characterized by a low Noise Figure and a linear transfer function whose 1 dB compression point is above 23 dBm. It exhibits flat Group Delay and Gain curves with reduced ripple over the entire bandwidth.

The Photline DR-AN-20-HO operates from a single power supply for safety and ease of use, and offers gain control over 3 dB. The amplifier comes in a compact 52 mm x 25.6 mm housing with K type RF connectors (compatible SMA) and with an optional heat sink.

This amplifier module is ideally suited to drive optical modulators for analog applications.

Performance Highlights

Parameter	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Cut-off frequencies	80 k	25 G	-	Hz
Output voltage	0	-	12.5	V _{pp}
Gain	-	30	-	dB
Saturated output power	26	-	-	dBm
Output power 1dB comp	22	25	-	dBm
Harmonics	-	-	-15	dBc
Noise figure	-	-	5	dB

Measurements for $V_{bias} = 12 \text{ V}$, $V_{amp} = 1.5 \text{ V}$, $I_{bias} = 500 \text{ mA}$

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DC Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Supply voltage (fixed)	V _{bias}	-	12	-	V
Current consumption	bias	-	500	-	mA
Gain control voltage	V _{amp}	-	1.5	-	V

Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Lower frequency	f _{3db} lower	-3 dB point	-	-	80	kHz
Upper frequency	f _{3db} , upper	-3 dB point	-	23	25	GHz
Gain	S ₂₁	Small signal	27	29	30	dB
Gain ripple	-	f < 24 GHz	-	±1.5	-	dB
Input return loss	S ₁₁	f < 20 GHz	-	-10	-	dB
Output return loss	S ₂₂	f < 20 GHz	-	-10	-	dB
Isolation	S ₁₂	f < 30 GHz	-	-60	-	dB
Output power 1 dB	P _{1dB}	2 GHz < f < 20 GHz	22	25	-	dBm
Saturated power	P _{sat}	2 GHz < f < 20 GHz	26	-	-	dBm
Output voltage V _{out}	Linear	0	-	9	V	
	Maximum swing	0	-	12.5	V _{pp}	
Noise figure	NF -	1 GHz < f < 18 GHz	2	-	5	10
		f < 18 GHz	2	-	3	dB
Harmonics	Harm	P1dB, f = 5 GHz	-	-	-15	dBc
Power dissipation	Р	Small signal	-	6	-	W

Conditions: S parameters -30 dBm, $T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}\text{C},\,50~\Omega$ system

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses in excess of the absolute maximum ratings can cause permanent damage to the device. These are absolute stress ratings only. Functional operation of the device is not implied at these or any other conditions in excess of those given in the operational sections of the data sheet. Exposure to absolute maximum ratings for extended periods can adversely affect device reliability.

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
RF input voltage	V _{in}	-	0.9	V _{pp}
Supply Voltage	V _{bias}	11	13	V
DC current	bias	-	0.560	mA
Gain control voltage	V _{amp}	0	2	V
Power dissipation	P _{diss}	-	7.3	W
Temperature of operation	T _{op}	0	+40	°C
Storage temperature	T _{st}	-5	+70	°C

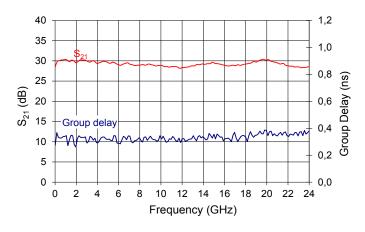


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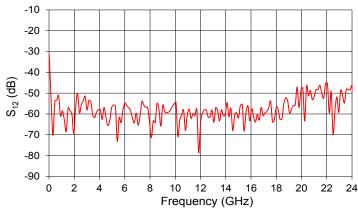
S₂₁ and Group Delay Parameter Curves

Conditions: $V_{bias} = 12 \text{ V}$, $V_{amp} = 1.5 \text{ V}$, $I_{bias} = 500 \text{ mA}$



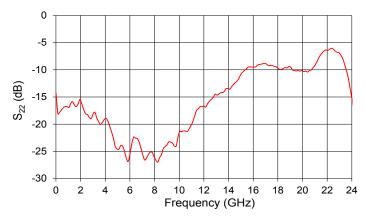
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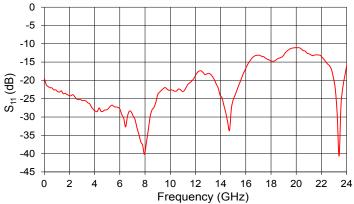
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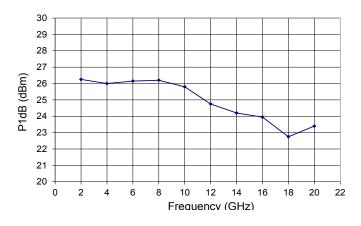
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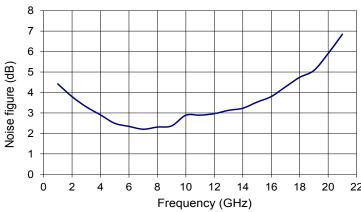
1dB Compression Curve

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Noise Figure Curve

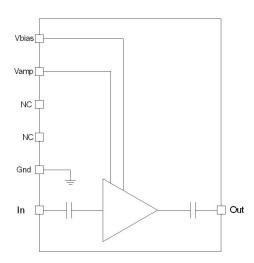
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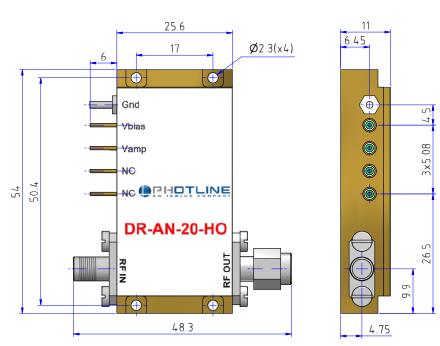
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Electrical Schematic Diagram



Mechanical Diagram and Pinout

All measurements in mm





The heatsinking of the module is necessary. It's user responsability to use an adequate heatsink. Refer to page 5 for iXBlue recommended heatsink.

PIN	Function	Unit	
IN	RF In	K connector female	
OUT	RF Out	K connector male	
V _{bias}	Power supply voltage	Set a typical operating specification	
V _{amp}	Output voltage amplitude adjustment	Adjust for gain control tuning	

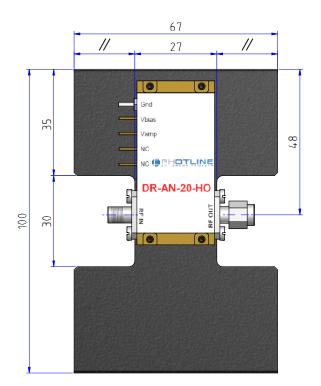


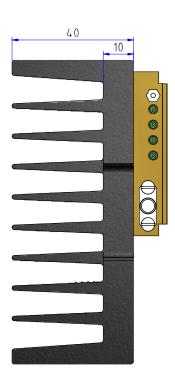
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Mechanical Diagram And Pinout With HS-HO1 Heatsink

All measurements in mm





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