VBA400-260

10kHz-400MHz 260W Amplifier





- Class A linear and low
- distortion design
- Ideal for BCI testing
- Mismatch tolerant and unconditionally stable
- Rugged design for EMC testing

Designed specifically for automotive, military and aerospace BCI EMC testing, this mismatch tolerant ClassA amplifier delivers power continuously into the varying match typically associated with this type of testing.

The Class A push pull design ensures a high reliability, low distortion linear performance across the frequency range. This design also ensures that the amplifier will continue to operate at full power even when presented with an open or short circuit at its output.

The unit is powered from a switched mode power supply for high efficiency, high power factor and wide voltage range operation. The unit is air-cooled with integral fans, and is protected against faulty cooling by excess temperature sensing. Two safety interlock connectors are provided, one to short for interlock and the other to open circuit. Front panel indicators are provided to indicate over-temperature, standby and operate and rf interlock operation.

The amplifier can be controlled from either the front panel or remote control via the Ethernet, USB and GPIB interfaces. The digital interface system manages enabling and disabling the amplifier, monitoring power levels, monitoring power supply health, communicating with the control computer and implementing electrical interlocks. The keypad and display interface is used for monitoring amplifier state, power levels, interlock states etc. and for configuration options.

See overleaf for technical specification.

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Technical Specification

Electrical

Frequency Range (Instantaneous) 0.01-400MHz Output Power at 3dB Gain Compression 260W minimum

(>300W typical)

Output Power at 1dB Gain Compression 250W Min

> 210W minimum (>240W typical)

Gain 54dB Min Third Order Intercept Point (see note 1) 64dBm

Gain variation with Frequency $\pm 3dB$

Harmonics at rated linear power Better than -20dBc

Output Impedance 50 Ohms

Unconditional Stability

Output VSWR Tolerance (see note 2) Infinity:1 Input VSWR 2:1 (Max)

Supply Voltage 100-264V ac Supply Frequency Range 45-63Hz Supply Power <2kVA (Max) IEC 320 C20 Mains Connector

Mechanical

RF Connector Style Type N Female

Safety Interlock Dual input, S/C and/or O/C to Mute

Communication Interface USB/GPIB/Ethernet and front panel display.

Dimensions 19 inch, 6U Case, 440mm deep

Mass 30kg Operating Temperature Range 0-40°C

Case Style Options Bench model with front panel mounted input/output

connectors

Rack mountable with front panel mounted input/output

connectors

Rack mountable with rear panel mounted input/output

connectors

Mains Harmonic Currents EN61000-3-2 Voltage Fluctuations & Flicker EN61000-3-3

Conducted and Radiated Emissions EN61326 Class B

Conducted and Radiated Immunity EN61326:2013 Table 1

EN61010-1 Safety

Notes

- 1 The third order intercept point is a nominal value, as its calculation depends upon the power level at which distortion measurements are made.
- 2 Output VSWR tolerance is specified for excitation within the permitted levels and frequency range.



