HDT Labs

Model HD4PNBFG20B

High Definition 250MHz to 2150MHz 20dB Fixed Gain Amplifier



Description

The HD4PNBFG20B is a Professional-Grade 4-channel 20dB fixed gain amplifier designed to recover low-level signals that may be well below the threshold of most satellite power meters. Each channel has a fixed gain in excess of 20dB with 6dB slope compensation and covers a frequency range of 250MHz to 2150MHz. The HD4PNBFG20B is used in conjunction with stacked, multiswitch, and head-end systems to overcome cable, splitter, tap, and other system losses. The inputs and outputs of each of the four amplifier channels have internal DC blocking capacitors, thus eliminating the need to add external DC blocking capacitors.

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Features:

- Wide signal dynamic range capability
- Ultra-low level signal recovery
- Corrosion-resistant connectors
- Rugged aluminum construction

Specification Frequency	Minimum 250MHz	Typical	Maximum 2150MHz
Noise Figure		4.0dB	5.5dB
Absolute Maximum Total Input Power ¹	_		0dBm -20dBm ³
Input Power Range Individual Transponder Output Power		0dBm	-20aBm
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at 250MHz	14.5dB	15.5dB	16.5dB
at 750MHz	17.5dB	18.5dB	19.5dB
at 950MHz	18.0dB	19.0dB	20.0dB
at 1450MHz	20.0dB	21.0dB	22.0dB
at 1650MHz	20.5dB	21.5dB	22.5dB
at 2150MHz	20.5dB	21.5dB	22.5dB
Channel-to-Channel Isolation ⁴		45dB	

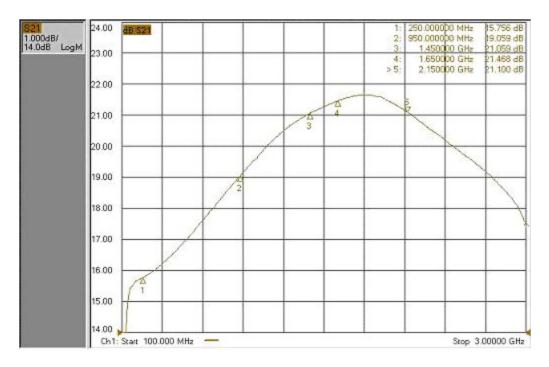
Specification	Minimum	Typical	Maximum
Input Return Loss			
at 250MHz		11dB	
at 950MHz		20dB	
at 1450MHz		20dB	
at 2150MHz		11dB	
Output Return Loss			
at 250MHz.		15dB	
at 950MHz		18dB	
at 1450MHz		20dB	
at 2150MHz		11dB	
1dB Input Gain Compression Point ⁵			
at 250MHz		-3dBm	
at 950MHz		-3dBm	
at 1450MHz		-3dBm	
at 2150MHz		-5dBm	
Input Signal Power for 3 rd Order Intermod Rejection Ratio	of $40dB^6$		
at 250MHz		-7dBm	
at 950MHz		-10dBm	
at 1450MHz		-12dBm	
at 2150MHz		-15dBm	
DC Supply Voltage			12VDC
DC Supply Current			650mA

For Indoor Use Only. The HD4PNBFG20B is supplied with an external 12VDC power supply. Operating temperature of the HD4PNBFG20B is -40° C to $+85^{\circ}$ C. The mechanical dimensions are 6.4° W × 4.4° L × 1.5° H

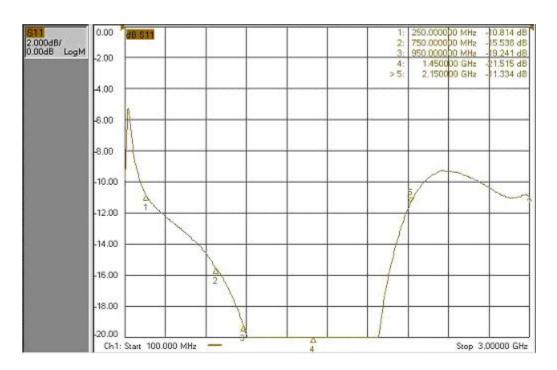
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Notes:

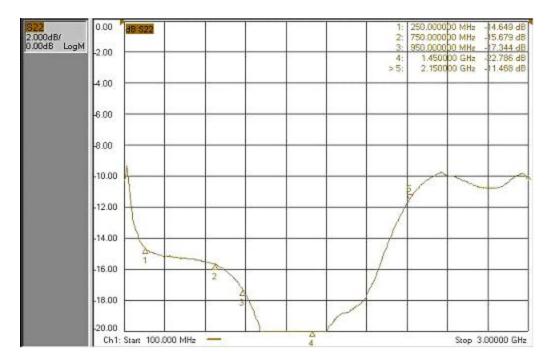
- Absolute Maximum Power is the total power that arrives at the amplifier input from 250MHz to 2150MHz. Satellite power meters
 typically read the power level of a single transponder at a time. If all transponders are active from 250MHz to 2150MHz and the power of
 all transponders are equal, then total available input power across the 250MHz to 2150MHz bandwidth is approximated by taking the
 satellite power meter reading at 1450MHz and adding 20dB. Make sure not to exceed -20dBm as measured with a satellite power meter at
 1450MHz.
- 2. The -75dBm level assumes that the overall system noise figure is not too high such that the carrier-to-noise ratio of the satellite signal has not been degraded such that signal recovery is not possible. Signal levels lower than -75dBm can be recovered with properly designed systems having over-all low system noise figures. Low noise figure systems are achieved by avoiding the addition of too many attenuators or too much loss in front of an amplifier block. It is always better to add loss after an amplifier to minimize system noise figure as long as the signal at the amplifier input does not over-drive that amplifier.
- 3. Assumes maximum power levels as measured with a satellite power meter and all transponder signals active from 250MHz to 2150MHz. (See note 1) A frequency response loss slope of 6dB is assumed, i.e. transponder power measured at 250MHz with a satellite power meter is 6dB higher than power measured at 2150MHz due to cable loss versus frequency characteristics. If transponder power levels are equal, limit the maximum power to -20dBm at all frequencies. An easy method to determine if the amplifier is being over-driven is to connect a satellite power meter to the output of the amplifier and check C/N, BER, and IRD performance. If acceptable transponder power levels are measured but low C/N values, high BER values, and low IRD levels are measured, reduce the input level into the amplifier until good C/N, BER, and IRD results are measured.
- 4. Channel-to-Channel Isolation is measured referenced to the output of each amplifier. Channel-to-Channel Isolation has a typical value of 35dB at 2150MHz.
- 5. Measured using a single CW signal. No transponder signals present.
- 6. Measured using two CW signals with 1MHz spacing. No transponder signals present.



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Input Return Loss



Output Return Loss