

40 dB Gain, 10 Watt P1dB, 6 GHz to 18 GHz,  
High Power Amplifier, SMA, 46 dBm IP3



## PE15A5050-01

### Features

- 6 GHz to 18 GHz Frequency Range
- P1dB 10 Watts min.
- Small Signal Gain: 40 dB min.
- Gain Flatness  $\pm 5.0$  dB max.
- 50 Ohms Input and Output Matched
- Unconditionally Stable

### Applications

- Electronic Warfare
- Electronic Countermeasures
- Radar Systems
- Telecom Infrastructure
- Test Instrumentation
- Communication Systems
- Satellite Communications
- Microwave Radio Systems
- Driver Amplifier
- High Power Output Amplifier

### Description

The PE15A5050-01 is a 10 W minimum high gain power coaxial amplifier operating in the 6 to 18 GHz frequency range. The amplifier offers 10 Watts min. of P1dB power, 40 dB min. small signal gain with gain flatness of  $\pm 5$  dB max, and an output IP3 of +46 dBm typ. The amplifier requires typically a +12V DC power supply. The connectorized SMA module is unconditionally stable and operates over the temperature range of 0°C and +50°C.

### Electrical Specifications (TA = +25°C, DC Voltage = +12Volts, DC Current = 13A)

Description	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Frequency Range	6		18	GHz
Small Signal Gain	40			dB
Gain Flatness			$\pm 5$	dB
Output Power at 1 dB Compression Point	+40			dBm
Output 3rd Intercept Point		+46		dBm
Impedance (Input)		50		Ohms
Impedance (Output)		50		Ohms
Input VSWR			2:1	
Output VSWR			2:1	
Operating DC Voltage		+12	+15	Volts
Operating DC Current		13		A
Operating Temperature Range	0		+50	°C

### Mechanical Specifications

#### Size

Length	2.8 in [71.12 mm]
Width	2.64 in [67.06 mm]
Height	0.85 in [21.59 mm]
Weight	0.545 lbs [247.21 g]
Input Connector	SMA Female
Output Connector	SMA Female
Bias Connector	Solder Pin

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### Environmental Specifications

#### Temperature

Operating Range

0 to +50 deg C

Storage Range

-40 to +100 deg C

Humidity

MIL-STD-202F, Method 103B, Condition B

Shock

MIL-STD-202F, Method 213B, Condition B

Vibration

MIL-STD-202F, Method 204D, Condition B

Altitude

MIL-STD-202F, Method 105C, Condition B

**Compliance Certifications** (see [product page](#) for current document)

### Plotted and Other Data

Notes:

- Values at 25 °C, sea level
- Heat Sink Required for Proper Operation

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### Amplifier Power-up Precautions

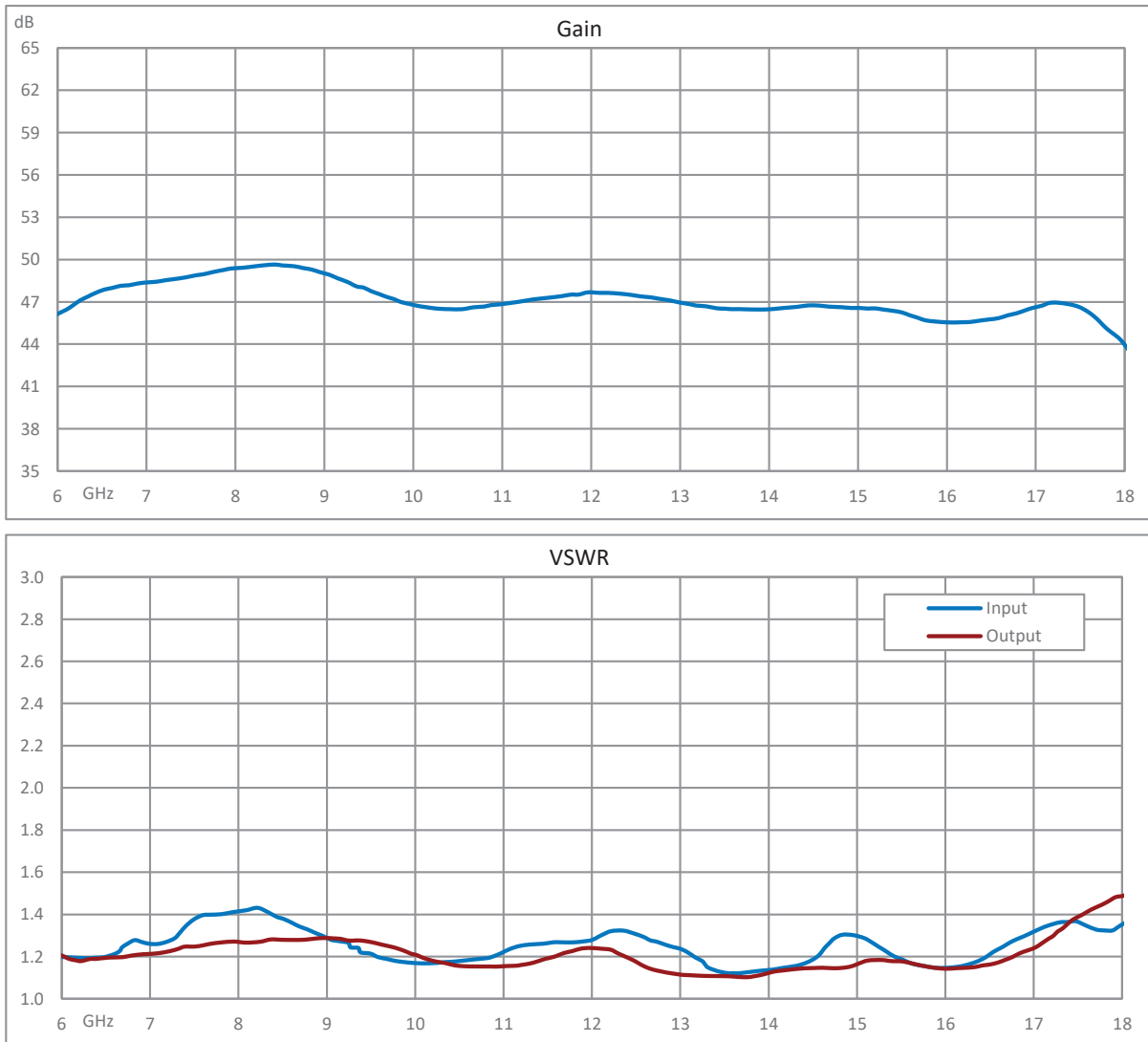
- 1.) Confirm that proper ESD precautions and controls are always in place before handling any Amplifier module.
- 2.) Confirm adequate thermal management is in place to effectively dissipate heat away from the Amplifier package. The Amplifier operational baseplate temperature must be within the operational temperature range stated in the Amplifier datasheet. Depending on the design and thermal requirements, using a heatsink with cooling fan is always recommended for safe reliable operation. A heat sink without a cooling fan may also be used. Damage caused from overheating will void the warranty.
- 3.) Confirm adequate system grounding is established. The DC power supply and Amplifier must have a common ground in order to operate properly.
- 4.) Power Amplifiers may require additional DC Current when initially powered-up. Depending on the design, the input current draw could range from an additional 10% to 100% above the maximum rated DC current of the Amplifier. This varies based on product part number.
- 5.) Confirm the DC power supply, if limited, is set to allow for additional start-up current that's rated for the Power Amplifier.
- 6.) Confirm the system is designed and calibrated for 50 ohms. Any impedance mismatch may cause performance issues.
- 7.) Perform a CALIBRATION (if required) with the loads before connecting the Amplifier to the Network Analyzer to ensure proper performance.
- 8.) Use a fixed attenuator between the signal source and input port of the Amplifier to optimize the input VSWR match.
- 9.) Confirm the input power level at the input port of the amplifier does not exceed the maximum rated limit for input power (as stated in the Amplifier datasheet).  
 $P_{in}$  for Small Signal Gain = P1dB-SSG-10 dB  
 $P_{in}$  for P1dB = P1dB-SSG+1 dB
- 10.) Confirm the Network Analyzer is always connected to the Amplifier first before DC power is applied to the Amplifier.
- 11.) As long as the input and output ports of the amplifier are connected to a 50Ohm load and RF signal power is applied, the Amplifier can be powered up with DC voltage.
- 12.) Confirm the Amplifier output load is matched for a 50 Ohm impedance and will not exceed the maximum rated VSWR or Return Loss limit for the Amplifier. Exceeding the maximum rated VSWR or Return Loss limit will result in reflected signal power that could damage the Amplifier and void the warranty.
- 13.) **Power Amplifier connected to an Antenna for signal transmission** - It's strongly recommended to use a high power fixed attenuator pad or an Isolator between the output port of the Amplifier and input port to the antenna. Any reflected signal power due to impedance mismatch will likely damage the Amplifier and void the warranty.
- 14.) The attenuator or isolator used at the output port of the Amplifier must be rated to handle the output power level and operational frequency band of the amplifier.

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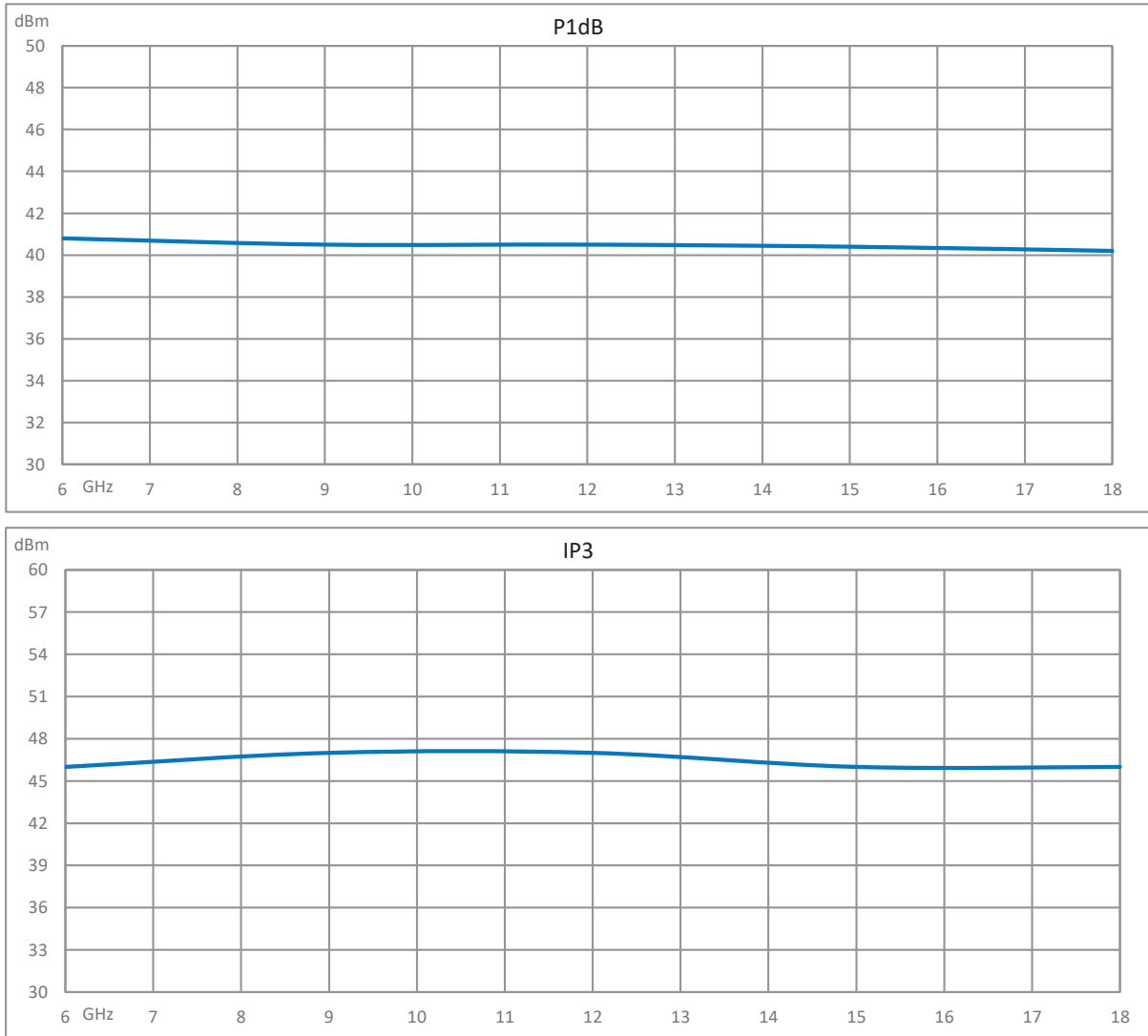
### Typical Performance Data



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