



Product Brochure

Terrastream™ 50W Ka Wideband Block Upconverter

WBAK-050G01

Field-Proven Performance

Wavestream's new Terrastream™ 50W Ka-Wideband Deck Block Up-Converter (BUC) is the newest generation of the world's most widely deployed solid state amplifier built at this power level.

Wavestream delivers a full 25 Watts of linear power into the feed with a rugged unit that can be mounted directly onto the feed arm of medium aperture antennas.

The 50W Ka-Wideband Deck BUC is designed to operate in the most extreme environments, and offers field-proven reliability to support the most demanding satellite communications applications.

The 50W Ka-Wideband Deck BUC includes L-band to Ka-band upconversion, serial / Ethernet monitor and control, adjustable attenuation and forward and reverse output power monitoring.

Weighing just 13.2 pounds, this compact unit provides the same power as its previous generation but with 52% less volume and a 60% reduction in weight.

Features

- 25W Linear Power for Higher Data Rate Capability
- Rugged; Mounts on Feed for Simple Integration
- High Reliability
- Supports both Commercial and Military Ka Bands
- RF Frequency: 27.5 - 31.0 GHz

Wavestream Advantages

What sets Wavestream products apart from traditional amplifier solutions is the innovative Spatial advantEdge™ technology. This unique patented technology allows for generation of higher output power in more efficient, and more compact product packages that are more reliable.

Wavestream products are optimized for Linear operation, drawing less power when backed off to help save valuable energy resources. They generate less heat, and have superior heat sinking ensuring a higher Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF) for greater reliability and lower lifecycle maintenance costs.

Benefits

- Operates on GEO, MEO, and LEO Ka-Band Satellites
- Field proven reliability and efficiency
- Higher output power with less energy usage
- Reduced life cycle maintenance costs



Terrastream™ 50W Ka-Wideband
BUC

Technical Specifications

RF Specifications

Transmit Frequency:

Band 1: 27.5 GHz – 28.5 GHz
Band 2: 28.25 GHz – 29.25 GHz
Band 3: 29.0 GHz – 30.0 GHz
Band 4: 30.0 GHz – 31.0 GHz

IF Frequency:

Band 1: 950 MHz – 1950 MHz
Band 2: 950 MHz – 1950 MHz
Band 3: 1000 MHz – 2000 MHz
Band 4: 1000 MHz – 2000 MHz

LO Frequency:

Band 1: 26.55 GHz
Band 2: 27.3 GHz
Band 3: 28.0 GHz
Band 4: 29.0 GHz

Frequency Reference

(100 MHz on IF):

+2.5 to +5.5 dBm

Frequency Reference

(10 MHz on IF): 0 dBm ± 5 dB

Small Signal Gain:

62.5 dB ± 2.5 dB (nominal)

Gain Adjustment:

30 dB in 0.25 dB steps (nominal)

Gain Variation:

- Over frequency at fixed temp:
3 dB p-p (max) over 1000 MHz
- Over temp at fixed frequency:
3 dB p-p (max) over operating range

Saturated Output Power:

47 dBm (nominal)

Linear Output Power, defined by MIL-STD-188-164:

- Multi-carrier (Intermodulation):
44 dBm
- Single-carrier (Spectral Regrowth): 44 dBm

Phase Noise:

- 10 Hz: -33 dBc/Hz
- 100 Hz: -62 dBc/Hz
- 1 kHz: -73 dBc/Hz
- 10 kHz: -83 dBc/Hz
- 100 kHz: -95 dBc/Hz
- 1 MHz: -105 dBc/Hz
- 10 MHz: -112 dBc/Hz

Noise Power Density Transmit:

-75 dBm/Hz (maximum)

Noise Power Density Receive:

-156 dBm/Hz (maximum)

Output Spurious: -60 dBc

Physical

Size:

12.0" L x 7.0" W x 6.5" H
(30.5 x 17.8 x 16.5 cm)

Weight:

13.2 lbs (6 kg)

Operating Temperature

(Ambient Air):

-40°F to +140°F
(-40°C to +60°C)

Relative Humidity:

100% Condensing

Shock & Vibration:

MIL-STD-810E, method 514-4

Altitude:

10,000 ft above sea level
(operating)

Interfaces

IF Input Connector:

Type N Female

IF Input Impedance:

50 Ohms

IF Input VSWR:

1.67:1 maximum

RF Output Connector:

WR-28

RF Output VSWR:

1.25:1 maximum

DC Connector:

ITT Cannon
CIR030FP – 20A – 9P – F80 – 20

M&C Connector:

Amphenol #360011

M&C Protocol:

Serial RS-485 (SA-bus)
or Ethernet (SNMP,UDP,WebGUI)

Power

DC Power:

20 – 56 VDC

DC Power Draw:

360W maximum (at Linear
Output Power)

Base Model

WBAK-050G01

About Gilat Wavestream

Gilat Wavestream sets the standard in the design and manufacture of next generation high power solid state amplifiers. Wavestream's Family of Ka, Ku and X-band Solid State Power Amplifiers (SSPAs), Block Upconverters (BUCs) and transceivers provide systems integrators with field-proven, high performance solutions designed for ground mobile and fixed, gateway and airborne satellite communication systems worldwide.

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