



## COAXIAL WIDEBAND

# Medium Power Amplifier

## ZVA-183A-S+ ZVA-183AX-S+

50Ω 700 MHz to 18 GHz SMA Female

### THE BIG DEAL

- Wideband 700 MHz to 18 GHz
- Output Power 0.5 Watt, at Saturation
- Excellent Gain Flatness,  $\pm 1.5$  dB Typ. from 700 MHz to 18 GHz
- Low Noise Figure, 4 dB Typ. from 700 MHz to 18 GHz
- Over-Voltage & Reverse Voltage Protection
- Single Supply Voltage of +12 VDC

### APPLICATIONS

- Lab Use
- Wideband Test and Measurement
- 5G Sub-6 GHz
- Driver Amplifier
- Aerospace and Defense
- Radios, Radars and Satellite Systems
- Industrial, Scientific and Medical



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<b>Model No.</b>	ZVA-183A-S+	ZVA-183AX-S+
<b>Option</b>	With Heatsink	Without Heatsink
<b>Case Style</b>	AV2554-3	
<b>Connectors</b>	SMA female	

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 The +Suffix identifies RoHS Compliance.  
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### PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Mini-Circuits' ZVA-183A(X)-S+ is a coaxial, wideband RF amplifier capable of operating from 700 MHz to 18 GHz. The design can deliver output power of +27 dBm at saturation and +24 dBm typ. at 1 dB compression, making it an ideal choice for applications requiring a wideband driver amplifier. With a low noise figure of 4 dB typ. across majority of the band, it can be used in test setups that require higher dynamic range. Complementary safety features such as protection against DC transients, over-voltage and reverse voltage conditions ensure that the amplifier stays protected against mishandling.

### KEY FEATURES

Feature	Advantages
Ultra-Wideband, 700 MHz to 18 GHz	Enables a single amplifier to be used in a wide range of applications.
Excellent Gain Flatness, $\pm 1.5$ dB Across Full Frequency Range	Provides consistent performance across its operating frequency, minimizing the need for external equalizing networks in wideband applications.
Low Noise and High IP3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NF, 4 dB Typ.</li> <li>• IP3, +34 dBm Typ.</li> </ul>	The combination of low noise and high IP3 makes the ZVA-183A-S+ ideal for use in receiver front ends (RFE) as it gives the user the advantages of sensitivity and two-tone IM performance at both ends of the dynamic range.
Rugged Design	Built-in protection against DC transients, reverse voltage and over-voltage provides added reliability for demanding operating conditions.





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### ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATION AT +25 °C (AMBIENT), V<sub>DD</sub> = +12 V TYP.

Parameter	Condition (GHz)	ZVA-183A-S+ ZVA-183AX-S+			Units
		Min.	Typ.	Max.	
Frequency Range		0.7		18	GHz
Gain	0.7-18	21	24		dB
Gain Flatness	0.7-18		±1.5		dB
Output Power at 1 dB Compression	0.7-18	+21	+24		dBm
Saturated Output Power	0.7-18		+27		dBm
Noise Figure	0.7-18		4		dB
Output IP3 (Output Power = +10 dBm/Tone)	0.7-18		+34		dBm
Input VSWR	0.7-18		1.35		:1
Output VSWR <sup>1</sup>	0.7-18		1.35		:1
DC Supply Voltage		+11	+12	+13	V
Supply Current <sup>2</sup>			400	550	mA

1. Open and short-circuit loads are not recommended at the amplifier output. Ensure proper 50Ω load before turning the amplifier "ON".
2. Maximum Supply Current is specified at Saturated Output Power.

### ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS<sup>3</sup>

Parameter	Ratings
Operating Temperature (Ambient)	-40 °C to +50 °C
Operating Temperature (Baseplate)	-40 °C to +75 °C
Storage Temperature	-55 °C to +125 °C
Total Power Dissipation <sup>4</sup>	6.5 Watts
RF Input Power <sup>5</sup> (CW), V <sub>DD</sub> = +12 V	+15 dBm
DC Voltage	+14 V

3. Continuous operation is not recommended at these extremes. Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded.
4. Total Power Dissipation is specified at Saturated Output Power.
5. Specified under matched load to 50Ω.

### DETERMINING MAXIMUM THERMAL RESISTANCE OF USERS' EXTERNAL HEATSINK

$\text{MAXIMUM THERMAL RESISTANCE} = \frac{\text{MAXIMUM OPERATING CASE TEMP} - \text{MAXIMUM USER AMBIENT TEMP}}{\text{POWER DISSIPATION}}$	
<b>Example:</b>	MAXIMUM OPERATING CASE TEMP = +50 °C (CHECK MAXIMUM RATINGS TABLE FOR THIS VALUE) MAXIMUM USER AMBIENT TEMP = +30 °C (USER DEFINED) POWER DISSIPATION = 10 WATTS (CHECK MAXIMUM RATINGS TABLE FOR THIS VALUE) THEN MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE THERMAL RESISTANCE = 2 °C/W





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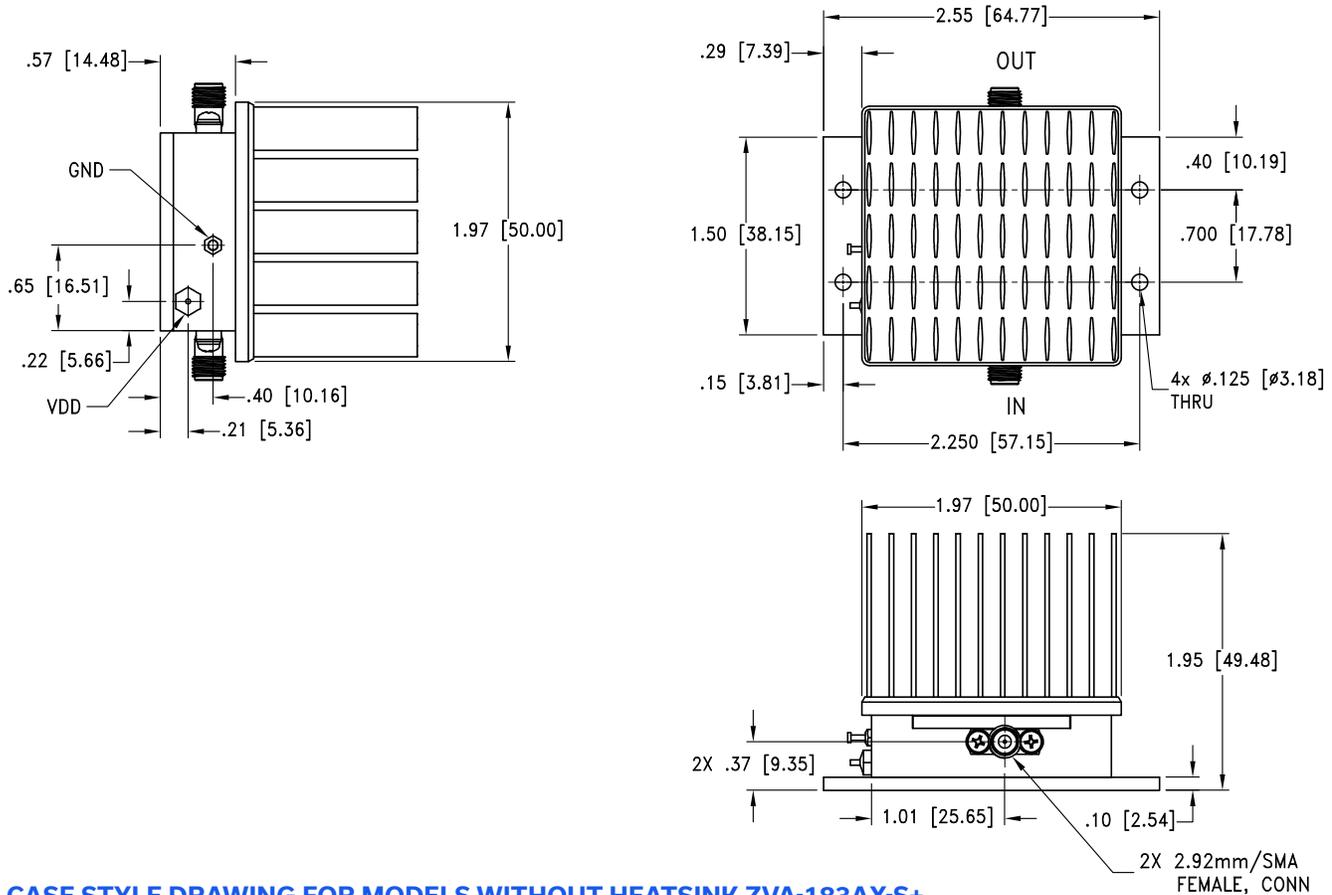
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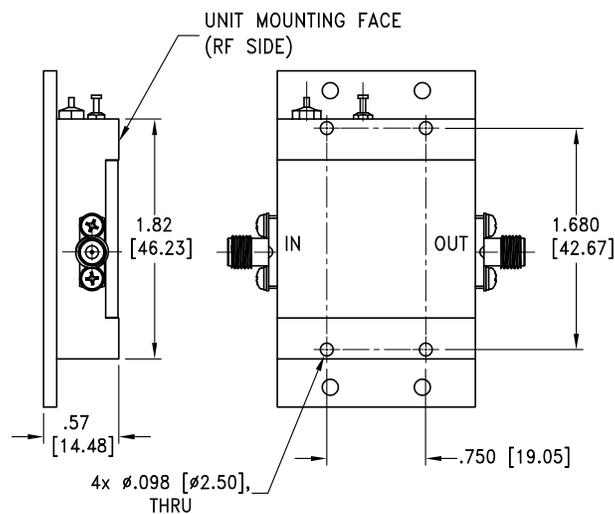
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### CASE STYLE DRAWING FOR MODELS WITH HEATSINK ZVA-183A-S+



### CASE STYLE DRAWING FOR MODELS WITHOUT HEATSINK ZVA-183AX-S+



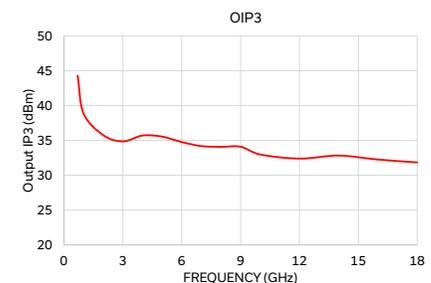
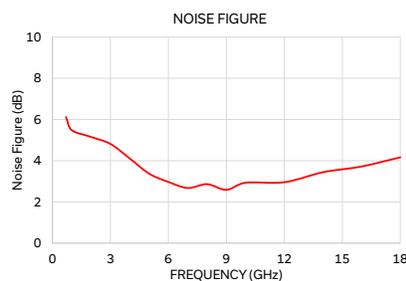
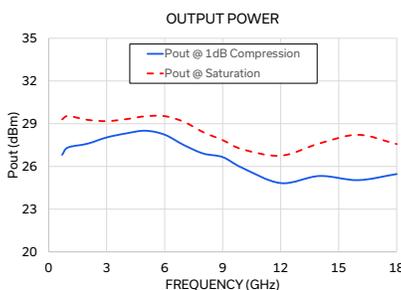
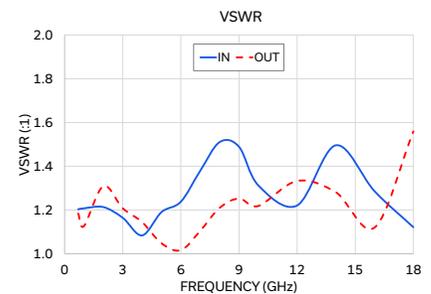
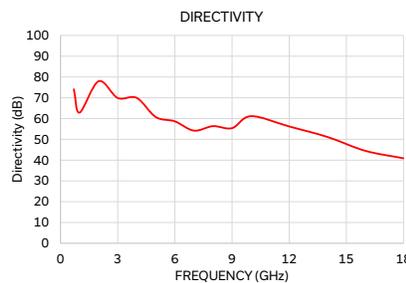
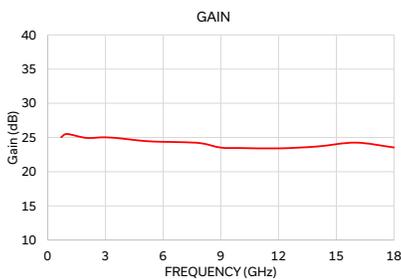
Weight: 455 grams;  
 Weight without heatsink: 345 grams;  
 Dimensions are in inches [mm]. Tolerances: 2 PL  $\pm$ .03; 3 PL  $\pm$ .015





### TYPICAL PERFORMANCE DATA/CURVES

Frequency (GHz)	Gain (dB)	Directivity (dB)	VSWR (:1)		Noise Figure (dB)	P <sub>OUT</sub> at 1 dB Compression (dBm)	OIP3 (dBm)
	+12 V	+12 V	IN	OUT	+12 V	+12 V	+12 V
0.7	25.03	74.09	1.20	1.18	6.12	29.30	44.29
1	25.51	62.87	1.21	1.13	5.48	29.54	38.86
2	24.94	77.98	1.21	1.31	5.15	29.27	35.76
3	25.02	69.90	1.16	1.21	4.81	29.18	34.86
4	24.80	69.94	1.08	1.14	4.11	29.32	35.70
5	24.49	60.72	1.19	1.05	3.37	29.52	35.55
6	24.36	58.65	1.24	1.02	2.97	29.53	34.76
7	24.31	54.19	1.38	1.11	2.68	29.13	34.19
8	24.14	56.35	1.51	1.21	2.86	28.40	34.08
9	23.52	55.39	1.49	1.25	2.59	27.85	34.10
10	23.46	61.15	1.31	1.22	2.93	27.21	32.98
12	23.41	56.20	1.22	1.33	2.96	26.75	32.39
14	23.68	51.16	1.50	1.28	3.44	27.62	32.83
16	24.24	44.47	1.29	1.12	3.72	28.22	32.25
18	23.54	40.88	1.12	1.56	4.16	27.57	31.84



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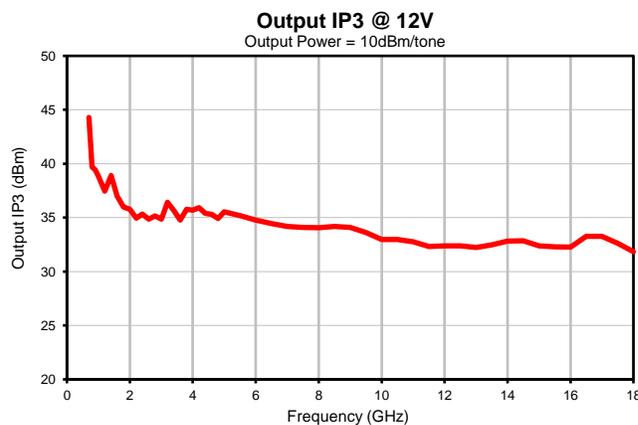
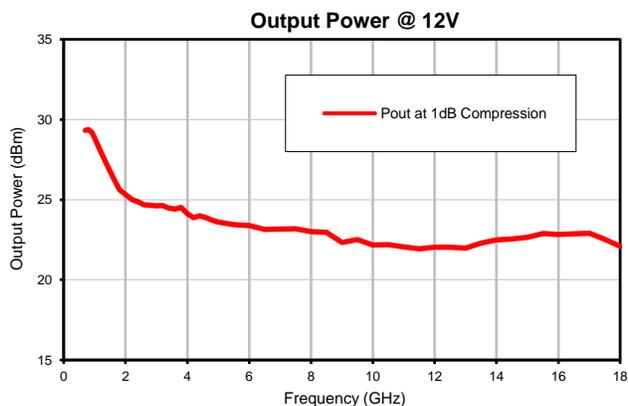
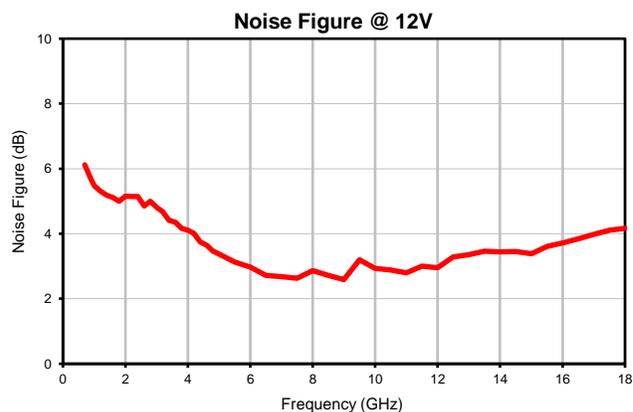
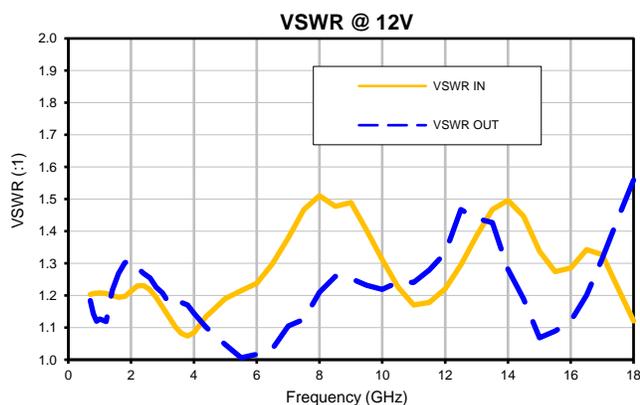
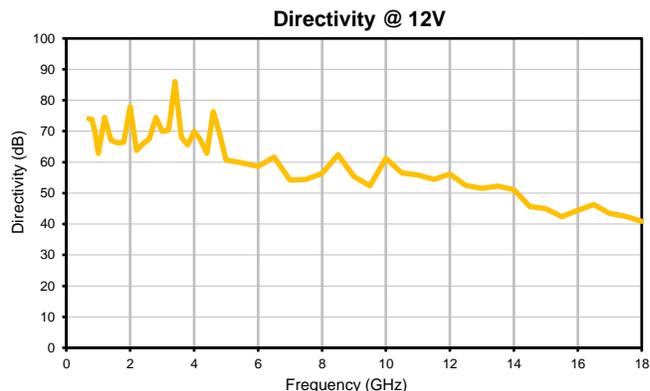
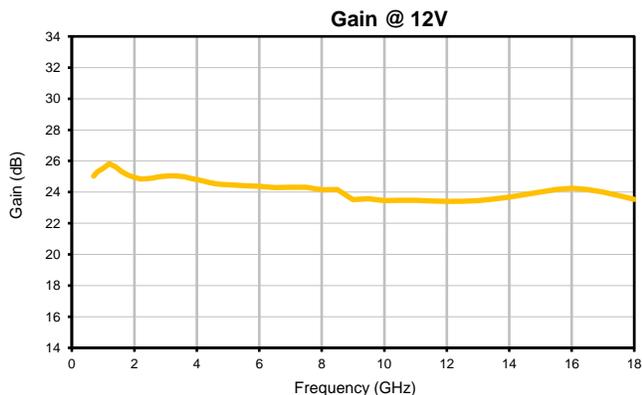
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## Typical Performance Data

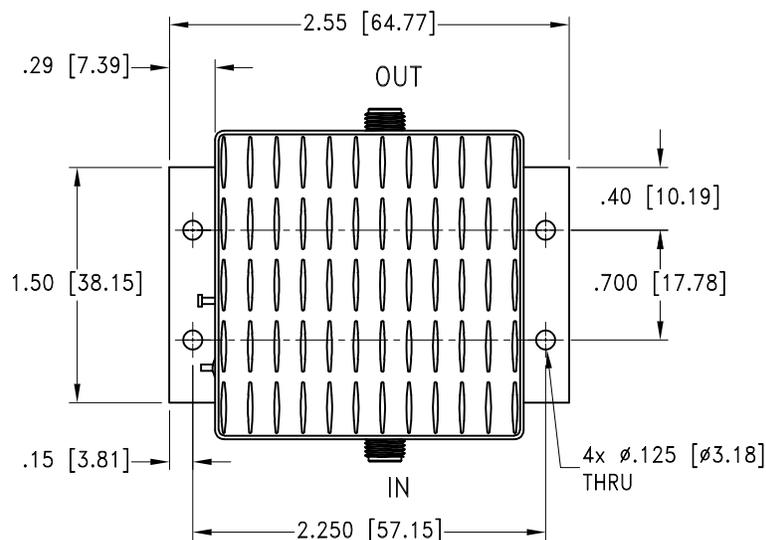
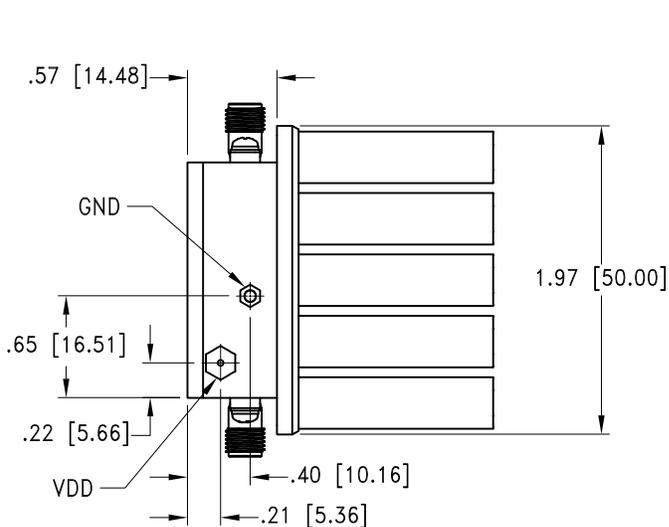
FREQUENCY (GHz)	GAIN (dB) 12V	DIRECTIVITY (dB) 12V	VSWR (:1)		NOISE FIGURE (dB) 12V	Pout @ 1 dB COMPRESSION (dBm) 12V	OUTPUT IP3 (dBm) 12V
			IN 12V	OUT 12V			
0.7	25.03	74.09	1.20	1.18	6.12	29.31	44.29
0.8	25.28	73.84	1.21	1.14	5.90	29.37	39.70
0.9	25.41	69.69	1.21	1.12	5.67	29.22	39.43
1.0	25.51	62.87	1.21	1.13	5.48	28.87	38.86
1.2	25.83	74.46	1.21	1.12	5.31	27.97	37.46
1.4	25.61	67.07	1.20	1.21	5.19	27.17	38.91
1.6	25.32	66.21	1.19	1.27	5.12	26.36	36.98
1.8	25.08	66.45	1.20	1.30	4.99	25.62	35.98
2.0	24.94	77.98	1.21	1.31	5.15	25.34	35.76
2.2	24.84	63.78	1.23	1.29	5.14	25.00	34.96
2.4	24.86	65.92	1.23	1.27	5.15	24.87	35.34
2.6	24.90	67.50	1.22	1.25	4.85	24.68	34.86
2.8	24.99	74.51	1.19	1.23	5.00	24.66	35.17
3.0	25.02	69.90	1.16	1.21	4.81	24.62	34.86
3.2	25.04	70.36	1.13	1.18	4.68	24.63	36.42
3.4	25.03	86.10	1.10	1.19	4.41	24.48	35.67
3.6	25.00	67.95	1.08	1.18	4.36	24.42	34.78
3.8	24.88	65.62	1.07	1.17	4.17	24.52	35.78
4.0	24.80	69.94	1.08	1.14	4.11	24.12	35.70
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11.0	23.47	55.89	1.17	1.24	2.79	22.06	32.77
11.5	23.43	54.43	1.18	1.28	3.00	21.93	32.33
12.0	23.41	56.20	1.22	1.33	2.96	22.02	32.39
12.5	23.42	52.42	1.29	1.47	3.29	22.04	32.39
13.0	23.45	51.54	1.39	1.44	3.35	21.98	32.23
13.5	23.55	52.21	1.47	1.43	3.46	22.29	32.46
14.0	23.68	51.16	1.50	1.28	3.44	22.49	32.83
14.5	23.84	45.68	1.45	1.19	3.46	22.55	32.87
15.0	24.00	44.92	1.34	1.07	3.38	22.64	32.38
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## Typical Performance Curves

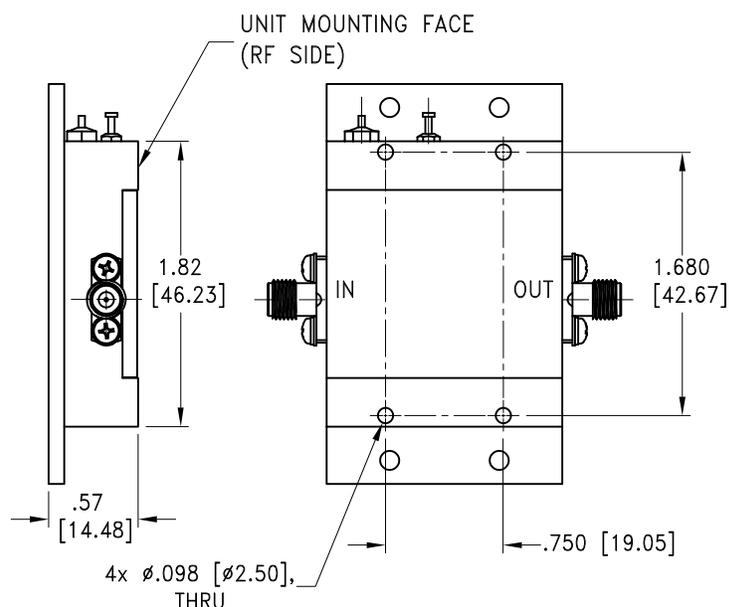


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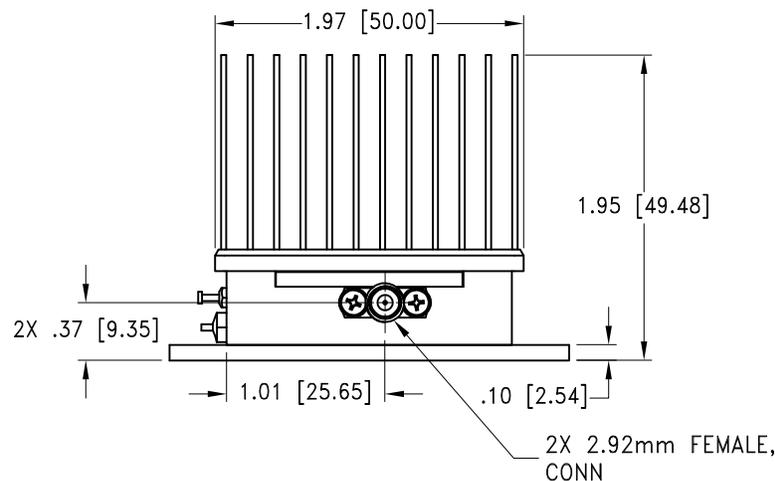
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### MOUNTING INFORMATION OF MODEL WITHOUT HEATSINK



Weight without heatsink: 345 grams;



Weight: 455 grams;

Dimensions are in inches (mm). Tolerances: 2 Pl.  $\pm$ .03; 3 Pl.  $\pm$ .015

### Notes:

1. Case material: Brass
2. Case finish: Gold plate.
3. Heat sink finish: Black anodize.

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Specification	Test/Inspection Condition	Reference/Spec
Operating Temperature	-55° to 85°C base plate temp	Individual Model Data Sheet
Storage Temperature	-65° to 150°C	Individual Model Data Sheet
Thermal Shock	-55° to 100°C, 100 cycles	MIL-STD-202, Method 107
Vibration (High Frequency)	Category 24, Exposure level figures 514C-17 General use, random, 20-2000Hz, 1 hr per axis	MIL-STD-810, Method 514.5
Mechanical Shock	40Gs, 11ms, 18 shocks: 3 each direction), each axis	MIL-STD-810, Method 516-5-II