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Low Phase Noise Amplifier **ZX60-06183LPN+**

50Ω 6 to 18 GHz SMA Female

KEY FEATURES

- Wideband Coverage, 6 to 18 GHz
- Ultra-Low Phase Noise, -169 dBc/Hz Typ. at 10 kHz Offset
- High Output P1dB, +18 dBm Typ.
- High Output IP3, +28 dBm Typ.
- Voltage-Regulated Internally and Reverse Voltage-Protected
- Ideal evaluation module for LVA-6183PN+ MMIC

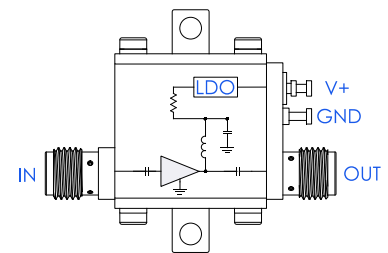


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APPLICATIONS

- Test and Measurement Equipment
- Radar, EW, and ECM Defense Systems
- 5G MIMO and Back Haul Radio Systems
- Signal Distribution Networks

FUNCTIONAL DIAGRAM



PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Mini-Circuits' ZX60-06183LPN+ is an ultra-low phase noise amplifier utilizing MCL's own GaAs HBT-based amplifier, the LVA-6183PN+, offering industry-leading performance over its full frequency range from 6 to 18 GHz. This design operates on a single +8 V supply @ 146 mA and comes in a rugged, compact unibody case (0.74" x 0.75" x 0.46") with integrated SMA female connectors, making it an excellent candidate for demanding operating conditions and use in crowded system layouts. A compatible heat sink is provided (not installed) for convenient setup and standalone operation.

ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS AT +25°C BASEPLATE AND $V_S = +8V$, UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE

Parameter	Condition (GHz)	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Frequency Range	-	6	-	18	GHz
Gain	6	16.8	18.6	-	dB
	9	17.2	19.0	-	
	12	17.1	19.1	-	
	15	15.9	17.8	-	
	18	13.4	15.6	-	
Input Return Loss	6	-	13	-	dB
	9	-	12	-	
	12	-	13	-	
	15	-	12	-	
	18	-	11	-	
Output Return Loss	6	-	15	-	dB
	9	-	12	-	
	12	-	12	-	
	15	-	10	-	
	18	-	10	-	





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Parameter	Condition (GHz)	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Output Power at 1 dB Compression (P1dB)	6	-	+20.0	-	dBm
	9	-	+20.0	-	
	12	-	+19.0	-	
	15	-	+16.5	-	
	18	-	+14.5	-	
Saturated Output Power (P_{SAT}) ¹	6	-	+25	-	dBm
	9	-	+24	-	
	12	-	+22	-	
	15	-	+20	-	
	18	-	+19	-	
Output Third Order Intercept Point (Output Power = +0 dBm/Tone)	6	-	+29.5	-	dBm
	9	-	+29.5	-	
	12	-	+28.5	-	
	15	-	+25.5	-	
	18	-	+23.0	-	
Directivity	6	-	34	-	dB
	9	-	23	-	
	12	-	20	-	
	15	-	18	-	
	18	-	19	-	
Noise Figure	6	-	4.7	-	dB
	9	-	4.8	-	
	12	-	4.6	-	
	15	-	5.5	-	
	18	-	7.1	-	
Additive Phase Noise ²	-	-	-169	-	dBc/Hz
DC Supply Voltage (V_S)	-	+6.5	+8	+9	V
DC Current ³	-	-	146	215	mA

1. At P_{SAT} , P_{OUT} changes less than 0.1 dB for a 1 dB change in P_{IN} .

2. Measured at an input power of -1.3 dBm, 6 GHz, and at 10 KHz offset.

3. Typical current measured under small signal conditions. Max DC current measured at P_{SAT} . DC current increases as amplifier is driven into compression.

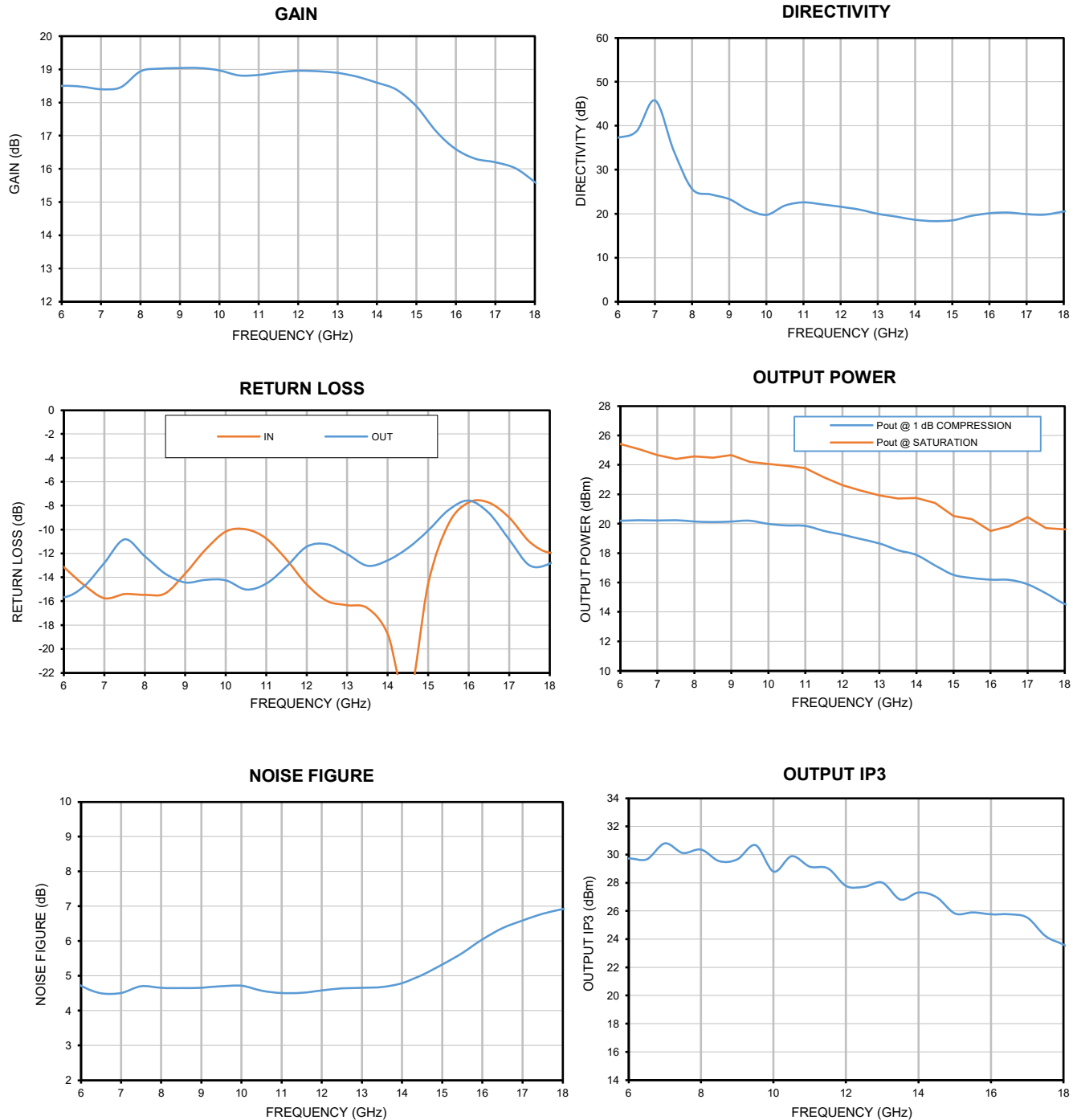


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TYPICAL PERFORMANCE GRAPHS



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Parameter	Ratings
Operating Temperature (Case)	-40°C to +85°C Baseplate -40°C to +65 °C Ambient ⁶
Storage Temperature	-55°C to +100°C
Total Power Dissipation ^{6,7}	1.72 W
RF Input Power (CW)	+15 dBm
DC Operating Voltage	+9.5 V

4. Specified under matched load to 50 ohms.

5. Continuous operation is not recommended at these extremes. Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded.

6. Operation is recommended using the supplied heatsink or an alternative heatsink with a thermal resistance ≤ 11.5 °C/W.7. Total power dissipation determined at $V_s = +9.5$ V with the amplifier in saturation.**DETERMINING MAXIMUM THERMAL RESISTANCE OF USERS' EXTERNAL HEAT SINK**

$\text{MAXIMUM THERMAL RESISTANCE} = \frac{\text{MAXIMUM OPERATING CASE TEMP} - \text{MAXIMUM USER AMBIENT TEMP}}{\text{POWER DISSIPATION}}$	
Example:	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

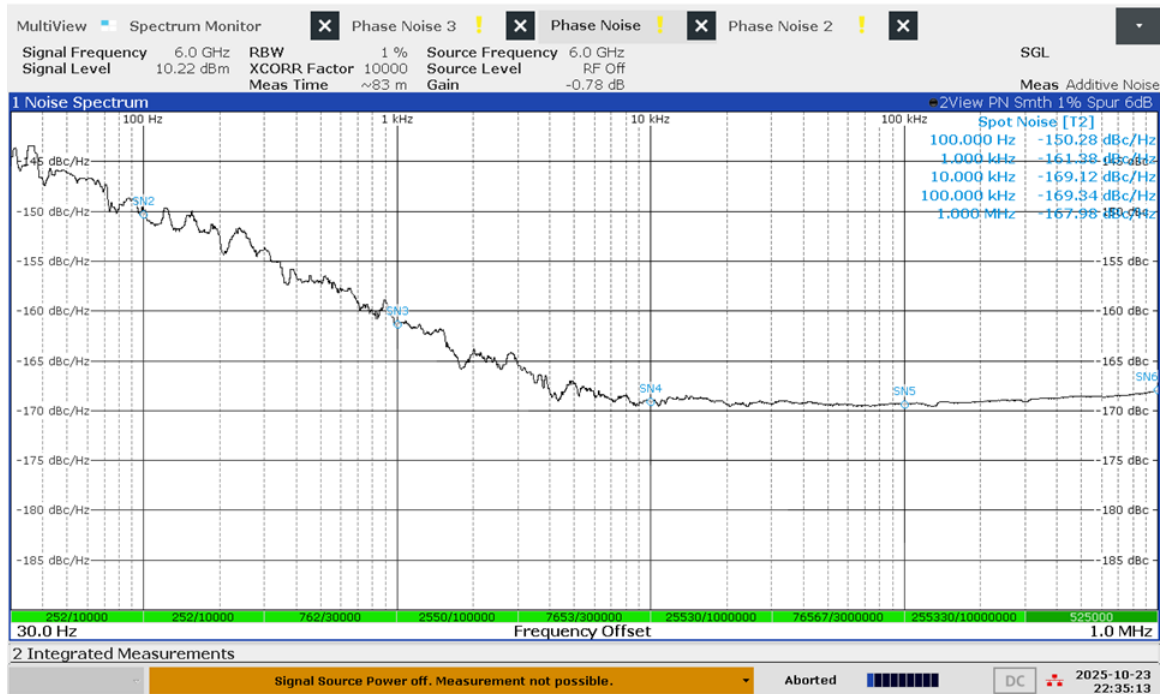


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ADDITIVE PHASE NOISE VS. OFFSET FREQUENCY



Measured at 6 GHz with an input power of -1.3 dBm.





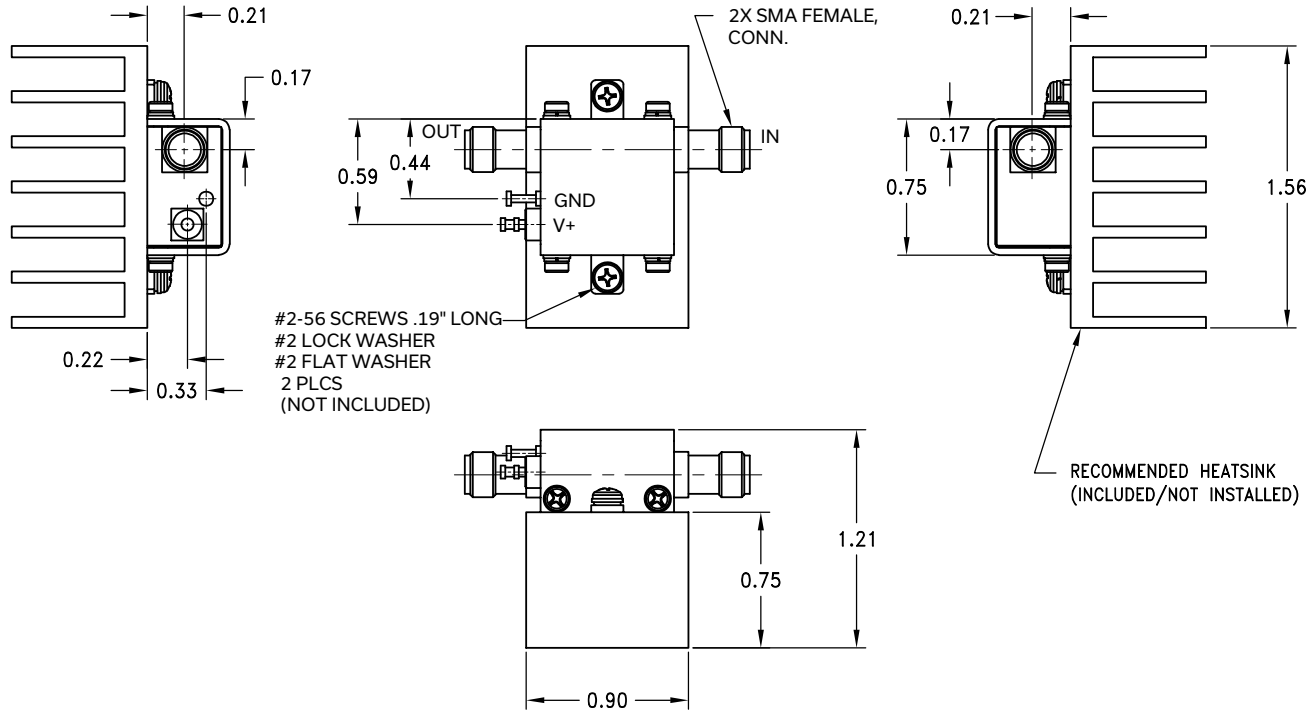
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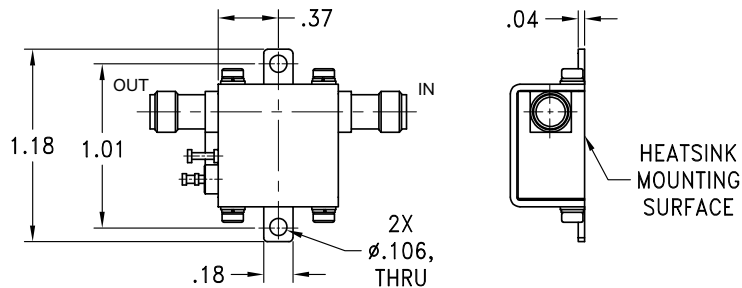
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CASE STYLE DRAWING



MOUNTING INFORMATION OF MODEL WITHOUT HEATSINK



Weight: 43 grams; without heatsink 23 grams.

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



NOTE: When soldering the DC connections, caution must be used to avoid overheating the DC terminal. See Application Note [AN-40-010](#)

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Performance Data & Graphs	Data
	Graphs
	S-Parameter (S2P Files) Data Set (.zip file)
RoHS Status	Compliant
Environmental Ratings	ENV23T10
Export Information	ECCN# EAR99

ORDERING INFORMATION

Model No. Link	ZX60-06183LPN+
Case Style	GC957-3
Connector	IN: SMA Female OUT: SMA Female

NOTES

- A. Performance and quality attributes and conditions not expressly stated in this specification document are intended to be excluded and do not form a part of this specification document.
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