## Features

- SYMMETRICAL CLIPPING GOOD EVEN-ORDER SUPPRESSION
- HIGH OUTPUT LEVEL: +11.5 dBm (TYP.)
- HIGH THIRD-ORDER IP: +28 dBm (TYP.)
- FAST PULSE RECOVERY TIME: < 50 NSEC (TYP.)


## Description

The LA7 limiting amplifier is a discrete hybrid design, which uses thin film manufacturing processes for accurate performance and high reliability.
This design uses a Schottly diode limiter circuit at the input, and a single stage bipolar transistor feedback amplifier at the output. An RF choke is used for DC power supply decoupling. Both TO-8 and Surface Mount packages are hermetically sealed, and MIL-STD-883 environmental screening is available.

## Ordering Information

| Part Number | Package |
| :---: | :---: |
| LA7 | TO-8 |
| SMLA7 | Surface Mount |
| CLA7 | SMA Connectorized |

## Product Image



Electrical Specifications: $\mathrm{Z}_{0}=50 \Omega, \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{cc}}=+15 \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{DC}}$

| Parameter | Units | Typical | Guaranteed |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $0^{\circ}$ to $50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $-54^{\circ}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}^{*}$ |
| Frequency | MHz | 20-550 | 50-500 | 50-500 |
| Small Signal Gain (min) | dB | 12.5 | 12.0 | 11.0 |
| Gain Flatness (max) | dB | $\pm 0.2$ | $\pm 0.5$ | $\pm 0.7$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Noise Figure (max) } \\ & 50-300 \mathrm{MHz} \end{aligned}$ | dB | 7.0 | 8.0 | 8.5 |
| Noise Figure (max) $300-500 \mathrm{MHz}$ | dB | 7.5 | 8.5 | 9.0 |
| Power Output <br> @ 1 dB comp. (min) $50-300 \mathrm{MHz}$ | dBm | +12.0 | +11.0 | +8.0 |
| Power Output @ 1 dB comp. (min) $300-500 \mathrm{MHz}$ | dBm | +11.5 | +10.0 | +7.0 |
| IP3 | dBm | +28 |  |  |
| VSWR Input / Output (max) |  | 1.3:1 / 1.3:1 | 1.7:1 / 1.7:1 | 2.0:1 / 2.0:1 |
| DC Current @ 15 Volts (max) | mA | 54 | 56 | 58 |

Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter | Absolute <br> Maximum |
| :---: | :---: |
| Storage Temperature | $-62^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Case Temperature | $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| DC Voltage | +17 V |
| Continuous Input Power | +23 dBm |
| Short Term Input power <br> $(1$ minute max.) | 400 mW |
| Peak Power (3 $\mu$ sec max.) | 1 W |
| "S" Series Burn-In <br> Temperature (case) | $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |

Thermal Data: $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=+15 \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{DC}}$

| Parameter | Rating |
| :---: | :---: |
| Thermal Resistance $\theta_{\mathrm{jc}}$ | $45^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}$ |
| Transistor Power Dissipation $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{d}}$ | 0.560 W |
| Junction Temperature Rise <br> Above Case $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{jc}}$ | $+25.2^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |

* Over temperature performance limits for part number CLA7, guaranteed from $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ only.
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## Typical Performance Curves at $+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

Gain


VSWR Output


VSWR Input


Power Output Over Temperature *

*at 1 dB Gain Compression
Power Output vs. Frequency


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## Typical Performance Curves at $\mathbf{+ 2 5 ^ { \circ }} \mathbf{C}$

Phase Shift vs. Input Power


Limiting Characteristics


## Schematic Diagram



## Outline Drawing: TO-8 *



Outline Drawing: Surface Mount *


Outline Drawing: SMA Connectorized *


* Dimensions are inches (millimeters) $\pm 0.015$ ( 0.38 ) unless otherwise specified.
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