

## Datasheet

# LNF-LNC4\_16SB

4-16 GHz Cryogenic Low Noise Amplifier



Product Features			
RF Bandwidth	4-16 GHz		
Noise Temperature	3.1 K		
Noise Figure	0.05 dB		
Gain	36 dB		
DC power (typical)	$V_{ds} = 1.1 \text{ V, } I_{ds} = 16 \text{ mA}^*$		
RF Connectors	Male G3PO		
DC Connectors	5-pin Female Strip		
One gate and one drain supply only			

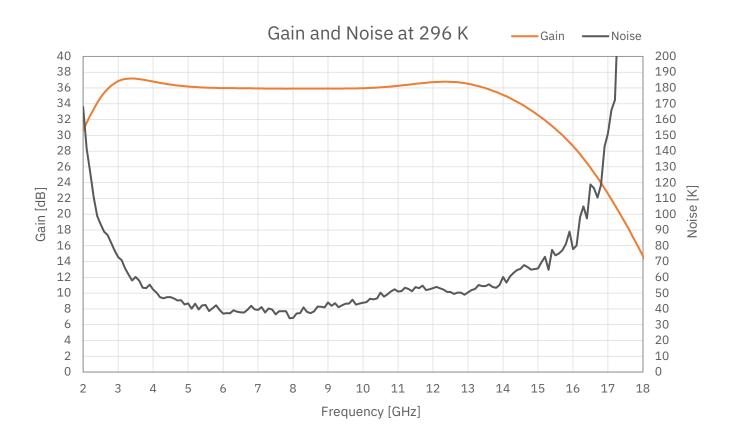
<sup>\*</sup>See test report for actual optimum bias for your unit

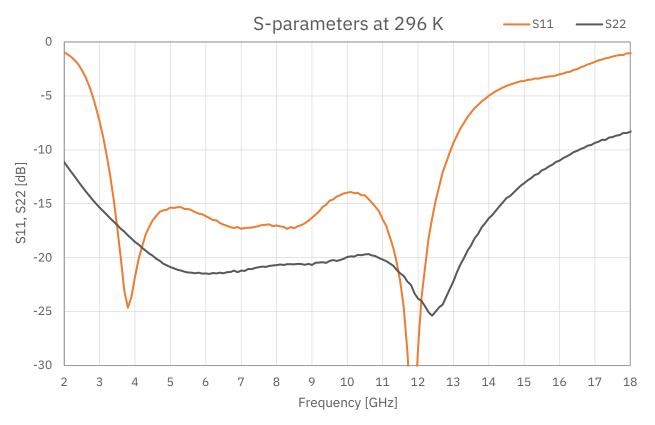
Absolute maximum ratings		Typical Characteristics			
Parameter	Min	Max	Parameter	Value	Unit
$V_{ds}$	-0.5 V	3 V	Vgs	+2.7	V
$\mathbf{I}_{ds}$		100 mA	IRL	15	dB
Vgs	-20 V	20 V	ORL	20	dB
DC Voltage on Input and Output	-30 V	30 V	Output P1dB	-5	dBm
RF Input Power		0 dBm	OIP3	4	dBm
Operating Temperature	< 3 K	40 °C	Weight	5	grams

LNF-LNC4\_16SB is an ultra-low noise cryogenic amplifier using LNF's proprietary InP HEMT technology. The LNA is packaged in a module using Corning Gilbert G3PO coaxial connectors and a 5-pin strip DC connector. The lightweight gold plated aluminum body measures 19.28x20.80x3.556 mm. The LNA is stackable with a 140 mil pitch, suitable for Corning Gilbert G3PO multi-position blocks. The LNA is not hermetic and must be operated in a vacuum environment when below the dewpoint. All amplifiers are tested at 296 and 5 K and delivered with a test report.

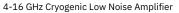


## Measured data, $T_{amb} = 296 \text{ K}$



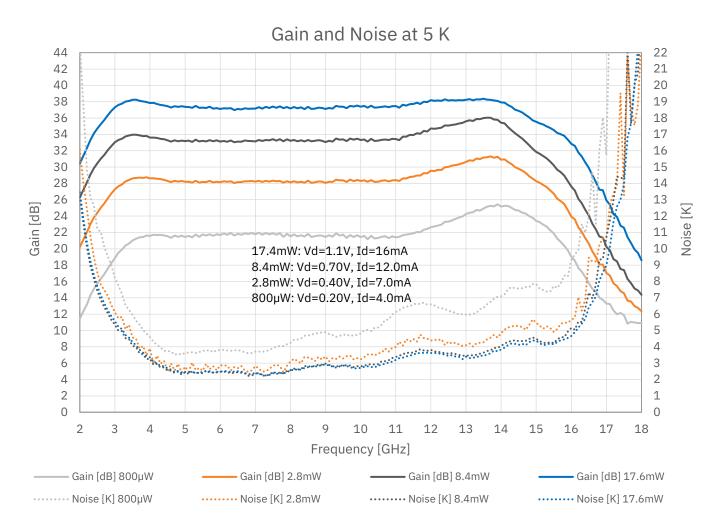


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## Measured data, $T_{amb} = 5 \text{ K}$



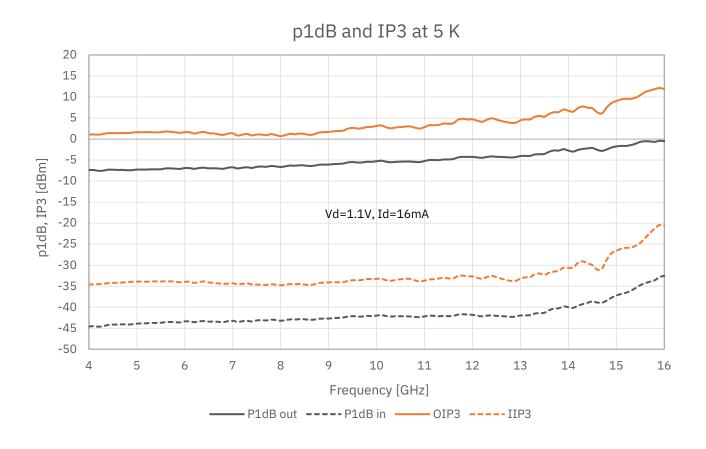
<sup>\*</sup> Test report submitted with each delivered LNA might vary slightly from this datasheet due to the G3PO to SMA adaptors used in our test systems not being corrected for.

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## Measured data, $T_{amb} = 5 \text{ K}$



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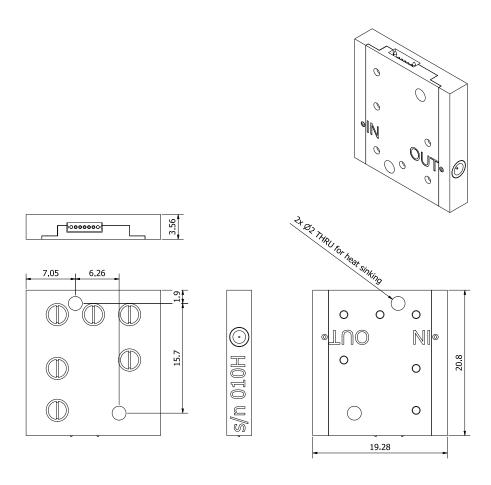
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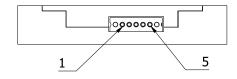


## Dimensions and wiring

Units: mm



5-pin strip connector seen from outside the LNA (engraved text upward)



Pin	Function	Wire color
1	GND	Black
2	Vd	Brown
3	Vg	Red
4	NC	Orange
5	NC	Yellow

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## Biasing procedure

For safe operation of the LNA, please carefully follow the instructions below. Always honor the maximum ratings stated in the datasheet.

### A. With constant current supply, e.g. LNF-PS\_3, LNF-PS3b and LNF-PS\_EU2

#### Power up:

- 1. Switch on the power supply
- 2. Double check that Vd is set to the nominal voltage in the datasheet
- 3. Connect the LNA's RF input and output to your grounded test set-up
- 4. Connect the power supply to the LNA
- Check that the measured Ids is equal to the nominal value in this datasheet. Tune to the correct value if necessary.
- 6. Before starting a cool down, make sure that the power supply is set to the stated values at 5K. Do not cool down with the power supply set to the room temperature values.

#### Power down:

- 1. Disconnect the power supply from the LNA
- 2. Switch off the power supply

## B. With constant voltage supply, e.g. LNF-PS\_1

## Power up:

- 1. Switch on the power supply
- 2. Set Vd and Vg to the nominal voltages stated in this datasheet
- 3. Connect the LNA's RF input and output to your grounded test set-up
- 4. Connect the power supply to the LNA
- 5. Fine tune  $V_g$  to get the nominal  $I_{ds}$  stated in this datasheet. The actual  $V_g$  can deviate a bit from the value in the datasheet depending on ground wire resistance in your set-up.
- 6. Before starting a cool down, make sure that the power supply is set to the stated values at 5K. Do not cool down with the power supply set to the room temperature values.

#### Power down:

- Disconnect the power supply from the LNA
- 2. Switch off the power supply