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PA-138 Linear Power Amplifier



State of the art linear technology brings quiet, direct coupled capability to vibration and acoustic test systems.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Labworks PA-138 Linear Power Amplifier is a high quality, air-cooled, direct-coupled audio amplifier primarily intended for use with small vibration systems. Although this amplifier has been designed to directly drive low impedance loads, it can be used in any application requiring continuous duty high quality audio power.

PA-138 Amplifiers feature protection from both over current and over temperature insuring long term reliability. The

amplifier has full interlock capabilities as well as peak voltage and RMS current bar graphs to monitor output.

Two operational modes are incorporated in the design. These amplifiers can be used as either a wide-band, highly damped voltage source, or as a high impedance current source. DC and AC coupled signal inputs are provided. PA-138 Amplifiers are designed for standard 19 in. rack mounted installation and require 100, 120, 220 or 240V, 48 to 60 Hz power.

FEATURES

- Linear output stage provides low noise and distortion.
- Automatic over temperature and over current protection.
- Direct coupled input and output allows DC operation.
- Two operational modes, voltage or current source.
- External interlock circuitry.





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PA-138 SPECIFICATIONS*

Output Voltage (continuous) 10 Hz to 20 KHz	
open circuit	31.0 V rms
4Ω load	26.0
2Ω load	23.5
1Ω load	20.0
DC to .1 Hz	20.0
open circuit	45.0 Vdc/pk
4Ω load	36.5
2Ω load	22.0
1Ω load	11.0
Random Voltage Output	11.0
2.5 sigma peak volts	
open circuit	18.0 V rms
4Ω load	16.0
2Ω load	15.0
1Ω load	14.0
3.0 sigma peak volts	
open circuit	15.0 V rms
4Ω load	13.0
2Ω load	12.5
1Ω load	11.5
Maximum continuous dissipation	n
Ambient Temp =	40°C 400W
	50 200
	60 0
Frequency response (DC couple	
DC to 10 KHz	-0.6 dB
DC to 20 KHz	-2.5
AC coupling @ 1.0 Hz	-0.5
Slew rate Harmonic distortion	2 V/μsec
	-0.6E0/ @ 40
(10V, DC-10k)	<0.65% @ 1Ω
Signal/noise ratio	
Signal/noise ratio (ref 20V out)	<0.65% @ 1Ω 100 dB minimum
Signal/noise ratio (ref 20V out) Input impedance	100 dB minimum
Signal/noise ratio (ref 20V out) Input impedance DC coupled	100 dB minimum
Signal/noise ratio (ref 20V out) Input impedance DC coupled AC coupled	100 dB minimum 10 kΩ 47 uF in series with 10 kΩ
Signal/noise ratio (ref 20V out) Input impedance DC coupled AC coupled DC offset	100 dB minimum 10 kΩ 47 uF in series with 10 kΩ 5 mV max
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Resolution	
Peak voltage	5% of full scale
True rms current	5% of full scale
Accuracy (voltage & current)	±5% abolute
Interlock circuit	
Type	<1 Vdc= fault or N.C. switch
Response time	3 ms. max
Action	Output drives to ground
Reset	Gain pot full down or
	> 1.5V @ RST
Indicator	Flashing front panel "Trip" light
Cooling	2-speed fans
Noise level: low/high speed	<45 dB/<55 dB
. <u></u>	(switches @ approx. 1/2 diss.)
Self protection	Over current, over temperature
Line protection	
Dual line fuses	(10A @ 100, 120 Vac)
	(5A @ 220, 240 Vac)
Input power	1,000 VA max
Voltage	100, 120, 220 or 240 Vac
Frequency	48 to 62 Hz
Dimensions	3.5" H x 19" W x 13" D
Weight	24 lbs

 $[\]ensuremath{^{\star}}\xspace$ Specifications subject to change. Consult factory for latest specifications.

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