

Introduction

An amplifier is an electronic device used to increase the magnitude of voltage/current/power of an input signal. It accepts a weak signal at the input terminal and produces an amplified signal at the output, though the output signal is identical to the input signal. The amount of amplification performed by the amplifier is determined by a factor known as gain of the amplifier.

There are many forms of amplifiers, from Operational Amplifiers and Small Signal Amplifiers up to Large Signal and Power Amplifiers. The classification of an amplifier depends upon the size of the signal, large or small, its physical configuration and how it processes the input signal, that is the relationship between input signal and current flowing in the load.

There are several types of signal amplifiers, each capable of conditioning different signal types. Here is a list of some common signal amplifiers found in today's industrial use:

- Differential amplifiers
- RF amplifiers
- DC Voltage amplifiers
- High Voltage Amplifiers
- High Frequency amplifiers

Choice of the amplifier depends on the specific application requirements, including frequency range, gain, power output, and noise performance.

Differential Amplifiers: Differential amplifiers amplify the difference between two input signals, while rejecting any common-mode signals. They are commonly used in applications that require high common-mode rejection, such as instrumentation and communication systems.

Radio Frequency (RF) Amplifiers: RF amplifiers are specifically designed to amplify radio frequency signals used in wireless communication, broadcasting, radar systems, and other RF applications. They operate in the RF frequency range and often have specific characteristics tailored to the intended application.

DC Power Amplifiers: DC power amplifiers are used to amplify the power of a PWM (Pulse Width Modulated) signals. They are used in electronic control systems which need high power signals to drive motors or actuators. They take input from microcontroller systems, increase their power, and feed the amplified signal to DC motors or Actuators.

High-Voltage amplifier: High voltage amplifiers amplify low voltage electrical signals to high voltage levels. High voltage amplifiers are commonly used in scientific experiments and laboratory setups such as particle accelerators, mass spectrometers, and nuclear and plasma research, laser systems and in Automotive and Medical industry where high voltage is required to stimulate actuators, MEMS Sensors, ferroelectric and piezoelectric device.

High-frequency amplifier: High-frequency amplifiers are designed to amplify signals at high frequencies, typically in the radio frequency (RF) and microwave range. These amplifiers play a crucial role in various applications, including wireless communication systems, radar systems, satellite communications, and other high-frequency electronic circuits.





Selecting Amplifier

Signal Amplifiers are crucial in applications where high voltage throughput as well as complex signals are needed. Such combination is rare and costly in high performance instrument, therefore external amplification devices must be used to achieve this task. The Tabor amplifiers are designed to operate in conjunction with any waveform generators thus providing the ultimate solution for High voltage, High power wideband applications.

Tabor offers wide selection of Amplifiers categorizing as High Voltage Amplifiers, High Frequency Amplifiers and RF Amplifiers. From Basic to Advance, each amplifier delivers benchmark performance in its class to address the signal amplification requirements in R&D, design and manufacture of RF transceivers and their components; and applications ranging from amplification of low-frequency navigation signals, through cellular mobile radio, radar, satellite systems to automotive and medical use.

Amplifier Model DC 100 KHz 300 KHz 500 KHz 1 MHz 15 MHz 30 MHz 45 MHz 20 GHz Type 9100 300 Vp-p, 1 Channel High Voltage 9200 300 Vp-p, 2 Channel 9100A 400 Vp-p, 1 Channel Benchtop 400 Vp-p, 2 Channel 9200A 9400 400 Vp-p, 4 Channel 9250 40Vp-p, 200 mA, 2 single Ch or 1 differential, Transition time <22ns Frequency High 9260 40Vp-p, 1A, 2 single Ch or 1 differential, Transition time <10 ns A10160 34Vp-p, 1A, 2 single Ch or 1 differential, Transition time <10 ns \mathbb{R}_{F} Power +30 dBm, Reverse isolation: 50dB typ. A10200

Frequency and voltage coverage for Tabor Amplifiers

When choosing a waveform amplifier these criteria of the signal amplifier's performance must be considered:

- Output voltage/power
- Input & Output Impedance,
- Gain, Bandwidth (BW),
- Slew Rate (SR),
- Total Harmonic Distortion (THD)
- Load

This guide provides an overview and side-by-side comparisons to help you determine which Amplifier is right for you. It is intended to supplement online selection tools available at https://www.taborelec.com/Signal-Amplifiers .





Key Specifications Comparison - High Voltage Amplifiers

MODEL NUMBER	9100 9200	9100A 9200A	9400	
PRODUCT IMAGE				
ТҮРЕ	High Frequency, low distortion signal Amplifier	High Frequency, High current, low distortion signal Amplifier	General Purpose, Wide band High Voltage Amplifier	
COMPATIBLE WITH	Waveform Generator or Pulse Generator from Any make - Tabor, Keysight, Tektronix, Rohde & Schwarz, GwInstek, Rigol, Siglent, B K Precision etc.			
CHANNEL	1 2	1 2	4	
LARGE SIGNAL BANDWIDTH	DC to >500kHz	DC to >500kHz	DC to >500kHz	
SMALL SIGNAL BANDWIDTH	1.5 MHZ	1.5 MHZ	1.5 MHZ	
VOLTAGE OUTPUT	300Vp-p	400Vp-p	400Vp-p	
OUTPUT CURRENT	150mA 100 mA	125mA 100mA	50mA	
TRANSITION TIME	< 1.5µs	< 1µs	< 1µs	
POWER	60W	120W	120W	
SLEW RATE	200V/µs	400V/µs	400V/µs	
INPUT IMPEDANCE	$1M\Omega$, DC coupled	1ΜΩ	1ΜΩ	
OUTPUT IMPEDANCE	0.1Ω , DC coupled	0.1Ω	0.1Ω	
GAIN	X15 fixed (optional X10 or X20)	X50 fixed (custom gain upon request)	X50 fixed (custom gain upon request)	
FORM FACTOR	Bench top	Bench top	Bench top	
FEATURES	Custom configuration: - Gain - Signal ground	Special Unipolar Mode for MEMS engine drivers (9200A)	Special Unipolar Mode for MEMS engine drivers	
WARRANTY	3 years standard warranty			
COMMON APPLICATIONS	 Control & Automation: Generate MEMS control signals, Piezo and Ferroelectric transducer discs, Micro comb-array actuators Education & Research: Generating Oscillating electric fields, Nuclear and Plasma research Automotive & Transport: Underwater Sonar transducers, Engine control unit simulations, special Unipolar Mode for MEMS engine drivers. Industrial & Power: Three phase power simulations 			
USER INDUSTRY	Educational Universities and Colleges, Research organization, Healthcare Equipment Manufacturers, Defense, Automotive, Aerospace, Power Industry, Electronics Manufacturers etc			





Key Specifications Comparison - High Frequency Amplifiers

MODEL NUMBER	9250	9260	10160	
PRODUCT IMAGE			C C	
ТҮРЕ	General Purpose, Wide band High Voltage Amplifier	General Purpose, Wide band High Voltage Amplifier	High Frequency Amplifier, High Current	
COMPATIBLE WITH	Waveform Generator or Pulse Generator from Any make - Tabor, Keysight, Tektronix, Rohde & Schwarz, GwInstek, Rigol, Siglent, B K Precision etc.			
CHANNEL	2 single Ch or 1 differential	2 single Ch or 1 differential	1	
LARGE SIGNAL BANDWIDTH	DC to 15MHz	DC to 30MHz	DC to >500kHz	
SMALL SIGNAL BANDWIDTH	30 MHz	45 MHz	1.5 MHZ	
VOLTAGE OUTPUT	40Vp-p	34Vp-p into 50Ω	400Vр-р	
OUTPUT CURRENT	200mA	1A	50mA	
TRANSITION TIME	< 22ns	<10ns	< 1µs	
POWER	25W	25W	120W	
SLEW RATE	500V/µs		400V/µs	
INPUT IMPEDANCE	50Ω/ 75Ω/ 1ΜΩ	50Ω/ 75Ω/ 1ΜΩ	1MΩ	
OUTPUT IMPEDANCE	50Ω/ 75Ω/ 600Ω	2.5Ω/ 50Ω/ 75Ω	0.1Ω	
GAIN	10X fixed (or Custom)	10X (or Custom)	X50 fixed (custom gain upon request)	
FORM FACTOR	Bench top	Bench top	Small Footprint	
FEATURES	Custom configuration: - Gain - Input Impedance - Output Impedance - Output configuration	Custom configuration: - Gain - Input Impedance - Output configuration	Custom configuration: - Gain	
WARRANTY	3 years standard warranty			
COMMON APPLICATIONS	Education & Research Automotive & Transport - Engine control unit simulations - Railway test system Serial testing & Digital Design: - Test MilBus- Network characteristics - Manchester coding Industrial & Power: - Three phase power simulations Magnetic transducer testing			
USER INDUSTRY	Educational Universities and Colleges, Research organization, Healthcare Equipment Manufacturers, Defense, Automotive, Aerospace, Power Industry, Electronics Manufacturers etc			





Key Specifications - RF Amplifier

MODEL NUMBER	A10120
PRODUCT IMAGE	
ТҮРЕ	High frequency, High Power
COMPATIBLE WITH	Signal Source of any make: Tabor, Keysight, Tektronix, R&S, Rigol, Siglent etc.
CHANNEL	1
FREQUENCY	100 KHz to 20 GHZ
RF CONNECTOR	RF connector 2.92 mm (K)
POWER	+30 dBm into 50Ω
NOISE FIGURE	9 dB
REVERSE ISOLATION	50dB typ. (40 dB Min)
INPUT RETURN LOSS	14 dB typ (11dB min)
OUTPUT RETURN LOSS	12 dB typ (8dB min)
INPUT IMPEDANCE	P1dB: 27dBm
RF INPUT POWER	27dBm max
GAIN	100kHz to 100MHz: 12 dB (typ) 100MHz to 3GHz:12.5 dB (typ) 3GHz to 9GHz: 10 dB (typ) 9GHz to 20GHz: 8 dB (typ)
FORM FACTOR	Small footprint
FEATURES	Reverse polarity protection; over voltage, under voltage, over current and open-shot load protection
WARRANTY	3 years standard warranty
COMMON APPLICATIONS	Receiver testing, multi-tone testing in wireless communication, broadcasting, radar systems, and other RF applications, General Electronics, and Scientific application
USER INDUSTRY	RF and Wireless communication, Aerospace and Defense, General Electronics, Educational Universities and Colleges, Research organizations

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