Helix-Based TWTA

CPI Electron Device Business - Traveling Wave Tube Transmitter (TWTA) & Switched Mode Power Supply (SMPS)

The PTM7721 switched-mode power supply is designed to operate in conjunction with the Thales TH4021 dual depressed collector traveling wave tube (TWT).

Designated PTX7722, the resulting traveling wave tube amplifier (TWTA) delivers 4 kW peak RF output power at a 10% average duty cycle and up to 15% in burst mode.

Excellent high voltage stability ensures very low phase noise characteristics.

The PTM7721 allows for full adjustment of all TWT operating parameters. The grid and cathode potentials can be adjusted using controls at ground potential an important safety & maintenance feature.

The unit's control interface enables remote operation and status monitoring, providing multiple diagnostic outputs for built-in test (BIT) purposes.

The PTM7721 is fully qualified for operation in most military environments.

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FEATURES

- Heather voltage: 6.0 V to 6.6 V
- Cathode voltage: -10.5 kV to -12.5 kV
- Pulse repetition frequency: 150 kHz max
- Duty cycle: 10.0 % average
- Typical weight: 29.8 lbs (13.5 kgs) max
- Pulse width: 0.2 ns min to 150 µs max
- Peak body: 300 mA max

BENEFITS:

- High-voltage capability
- Compact & lightweight
- Excellent thermal management
- Wide temperature range

APPLICATIONS:

Radar systems



Typical operating characteristics when used with the Thales TH4021 4 kW, 10%, X-band TWT.

Heater voltage	6.0 to 6.6 V
Heater current	2.5 A (3.5 A max)
Cathode voltage Notes 1&2	-10.5 to -12.5 kV
	(11.5 kV typ)
Collector 1 voltage	75% of cathode voltage
Collector 2 voltage	45% of cathode voltage
Peak cathode current	2.20 A max (1.55 A typ)
Peak body (helix) (currer	nt) 300 mA max
Duty cycle 10.09	% average, 15% burst ^{Note 3}
Grid bias voltage Note 1	-350 V
Grid drive voltage Note1	200 to 350 V
	(nameplate value)
Grid current	30 mA max
Pulse width	0.2 to 150 μs
Pulse repetition frequen	cy 150 kHz max
Delay from leading edge	e of grid window
pulse to full RF out	250 ns max
Delay from trailing edge	of grid window
pulse to full RF cutoff	150 ns max
Maximum spurious FM r	neasured in a 100
Hz bandwidth	-100 dBc/100 Hz

Power consumption

2000 VA maximum

(when driving typical TWT load)

Power factor	0.9 min
Efficiency	85% typ

Connectors

Primary power input connector

25 way D-Type Note 4

Control and monitoring connector

37 way D-Type

High voltage connector type

AMP LGH1-I or equiv

Grid window input pulse:

Input level to hold TWT on

+3.5 V to +15 V into 100Ω

<0.8 V into 100 Ω

Input to hold TWT off	Minimum 200 ns
Pulse width:	Maximum 150 µs

Prime Power Requirement

Prime power	3 phase, 4 wire	1 Different values are available to special order
	115 V line -neutral	to suit other TWT's
	400 Hz (alternatives to special order)	 Adjustment range -10 kV to -13 kV Consult CPI TMD for burst mode ratings D38999/20WE08PN when supplied with optional EMC filter; see EVS6408 for further dotails



Control and Monitoring	
Control inputs (<0.8 V low, +2.	4 to +5 V high)
Standby (Low) /Opera	ite (high) command
	battle overide
Status output (open collector)	Warm up
	Standby
	Operate
	Fault
Cathode voltage monitor	-1 V per kV nominal
Peak cathode current monitor	
	1 V per A nominal
Peak body (helix) current mon	itor
	1 V per A nominal
Elapsed time indicator	
(monit	oring heater hours)
	0000 - 9999 hours

Fault Protection

Fault protection outputs (open collector)
Excess peak helix current
Excess mean helix current
Excess peak beam current
Excess mean beam current
Excess duty cycle
Low/High line voltage
High cathode voltage
Grid drive is inhibited for low cathode voltage
High inverter current
Low logic voltage
PSU overtemperature
TWT overtemperature

Automatic restart

Auto-reset after fault nominally 8 seconds re-cycle time

Mechanical

Mechanical	outline
Overall dimensions 440 x 187 x 120 mm	
	(See attached drawing for details)
Weight	Power supply alone 29.8 lbs
	(13.5) kgs max
Orientation	Any
Finish	Blue painted/alochrom 1200
Markings/La	bels Type number
	Model number
	Serial number
	Connector indent
	Adjustment indent
	Hazard warning
Cooling	Conduction via baseplate see below

Environmental

Ambient temperature (operating)

-40 °C to +71 °C

PSU heatsink temperature

71 °C maximum (operating)

Baseplate temperature (PSU)

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Altitude (operating)	0 - 70,000 ft
Vibration (operating -3 axes) 5 g, 5 -2000 Hz
Shock (3 axes)	20 g , 11 ms half sine
Humidity (non condensing)	95%
Storage temperature	-54 °C to +85 °C







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