Litton CFAs

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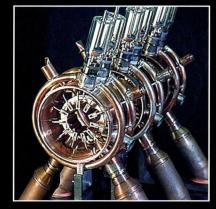
| | FREQUENCY RANGE | PEAK POWER* ** | DUTY | NOMINAL GAIN* | EFFICIENCY | BANDWIDTH | PULSE WIDTH* | INSERTION LOSS | SPURIOUS NOISE |
|-------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------|------------------|------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| TYPE | (GHz) | kW | CYCLE* | (dB) | % | % | (msec) | (dB) | (dB) |
| L-4806 | 1.25-1.35 | 100 | .032 | 13.5 | 55 | 6.5 | 40 | 3.0 | -40 |
| L-4939/4940 | 1.25-1.35 | 550 | .0024 | 12.7 | 42 | 6.7 | 3 | N/A | -35 |
| L-4953 | 1.28-1.35 | 5300 | .001 | 11.2 | 54 | 6.2 | 1.8 | 1.0 | -35 |
| L-4924 | L BAND | 150 | .005 | 10 | 44 | 6.5 | 7 | 1.5 | -40 |
| L-4925 | L BAND | 1250 | .004 | 10 | 49 | 6.5 | 5 | 1.5 | -35 |
| L-4717 | 2.9-3.1 | 60 | .028 | 16 | 60 | 6.67 | 35 | 0.4 | -35 |
| L-4767 | 2.9-3.1 | 60 | .028 | 16 | 45 | 6.67 | 36 | 2.0 | -40 |
| L-4769 | 2.9-3.1 | 140 | .003 | 19.7 | 42 | 6.67 | 3.0 | 1.0 | -30 |
| L-4719 | 2.9-3.1 | 525/2200 | .025/.0125 | 10/7 | 60 | 6.67 | 28 | 1.0 | -35 |
| L-4718 | 2.9-3.1 | 666 | .0148 | 11 | 60 | 6.67 | 30 | 1.0 | -35 |
| L-4716 | 2.9-3.1 | 666 | .015 | 11 | 66 | 6.67 | 30 | 1.0 | -40 |
| L-4829 | 2.9-3.1 | 2200 | .0056 | 7.0 | 60 | 6.67 | 28 | 1.0 | -30 |
| L-4765 | 2.9-3.1 | 2600 | .0053 | 7 | 60 | 6.67 | 28 | 1.0 | -35 |
| L-4821 | 2.99-3.51 | 125 | .016 | 14 | 40 | 13.0 | 40 | 1.5 | -40 |
| L-4756 | 3.09-3.51 | 1200 | .025 | 10 | 50 | 12.7 | 110 | 2.0 | -40 |
| L-4762 | 3.1-3.5 | 125 | .016 | 16 | 40 | 12.1 | 16 | 2.0 | -40 |
| L-4927A | 5255-5755 | 500 | .02 | 10 | 56 | 10 | 45 | 1.5 | -40 |
| L-4822 | 5.4-5.9 | 630/1250 | .01/.0056 | 10.2/7.0 | 60 | 10.0 | 37/35 | 2.0 | -40 |
| L-4750 | 9.0-9.2 | 300 | .004 | 14.0 | 45 | 2.1 | 1.5 | 1.5 | -35 |
| L-4934 | 9500-9800 | 100 | .014 | 13.5 | 46 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 1.4 | -40 |
| L-4764 | 9.5-10.0 | 500 | .0011 | 12 | 39 | 5.1 | 2 | 1.3 | -35 |

<sup>Multiple specifications of peak power, duty cycle, nominal gain, and pulse width indicate two modes of operation.
Output peak power is expressed as "minimum" over the specific band.</sup>



Crossed-field amplifiers are characterized by moderate gain, moderate bandwidth, high efficiency, saturated amplification, and small size. CFAs offer low weight in comparison with other microwave tubes performing the same function.

The rapid growth in the use of CFAs reflects the commitment by Litton Electron Devices to improving technology and responding to customers' needs. A CFA should be selected on the basis of suitability for the application. In many cases, a particular need will



override all other considerations, since each system requirement is unique.

CFAs produced by Litton generate output signals of high power over broad frequency bandwidths with unusually good efficiency and phase coherency. Their low operating voltages and compact size make CFAs attractive for mobile, airborne, and distributed phased array radar applications.

Litton manufactures a wide range of CFAs available at low and high peak power outputs in either forward-wave or backward-wave formats in L, S, C, and X-Bands. Litton also can repair almost any CFA.

At Litton, the latest technology serves as a starting point for continuous innovation. Litton employs the industry's most experienced CFA engineers and has made substantial investments in its manufacturing, assembly, and testing operations to enhance CFA performance.

These efforts have resulted in such advancements as liquid-cooled platinum cathodes that provide long life and stable performance with virtually no arcing; better material processing techniques and improved circuit design that have produced up to 20 dB gain; tighter coupling between the slow-wave structure and the external load that has improved electronic efficiency, reduced RF voltage, and improved pulse stability; increased efficiencies beyond 60 to 70 percent; and improved noise performance.

Litton's success at enhancing the CFA's performance has expanded its use in applications traditionally dominated by other microwave devices. For instance, greater pulse stability, phase stability, and efficiency have made the CFA an ideal choice for advanced phased array systems such as the AN/SPY-1 radar in the AEGIS system. CFAs also are practical for systems requiring multimode operation.

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