NuWaves
RF Solutions

NuPower™ L-10-C01-S01

L-Band Power Amplifier

Precision Output Power Control
18 Watt CW (typ)
1700 MHz - 1850 MHz

P/N: NW-PA-L-10-C01-S01

(Includes Flying Lead cable P/N: NW-PA-ACC-CB09MJ)

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The NuWaves' NuPower™ L-10-C01-S01 is a smart, miniature solid state power amplifier (SSPA) that typically delivers 18 watts of RF power across the frequency range of 1700 to 1850 MHz, and features automatic gain with RF output power level adjustment.

The NuPower L-10-C01-S01 offers digital control through a simple RS-232 interface. Utilizing the onboard automatic gain control, the NuPower L-10-C01-S01 offers 16 discrete, user-programmable output settings, in 1 dB steps from the maximum RF output power level.

Based on the latest gallium nitride (GaN) technology, the NuPower L-10-C01-S01's 38 - 43% power efficiency and small 7.75 in^3 form factor make it ideal for size, weight, and power-constrained RF telemetry and tactical communication systems. The NuPower L-10-C01-S01's rugged chassis allows the system integrator to easily incorporate the unit into a platform operating in harsh environments with limited space.

Extend your operational communication range with NuPower™ amplifiers from NuWaves RF Solutions.

Features

- 18 Watts (typ) RF Output Power
- 1700 to 1850 MHz
- Maintains Output Power over Input Power of 0 dBm to +10 dBm
- Small form Factor (2.125" x 5" x 0.73")
- High-Efficiency GaN Technology
- Single Power Supply
- Over-Voltage Protection
- Reverse-Voltage Protection

Benefits

- Extended Range
- Improved Link Margin
- Lessened load on DC power budget due to high efficiency operation
- Consumes less volume on space-constrained platforms
- Precision Power Control

Applications

- Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS), Group 2 through Group 5
- AIr Launch Effect (ALE)
- Common Launch Tube (CLT)
- Counter UAS Detection & Mitigation
- MIMO/MANET Radio Range Extension
- SISO Radio Range Extension
- Test Labs

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Specifications

Absolute Maximums

Parameter	Rating	Unit
Max Device Voltage	32	V
Max Device Current	3	A
Max RF Input Power, $Z_L = 50\ \Omega$	12	dBm
Max Operating Temperature (ambient)	60	°C
Max Operating Temperature (baseplate)	85	°C
Max Storage Temperature	85	°C

Export Classification
EAR99

Electrical Specifications

@ 28 VDC, 25 °C, Z_S=Z_L=50 Ω, CW, 0 dBm Input Power, Pmax, Unless otherwise stated

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	Condition
Operating Frequency	BW	1700		1850	MHz	
RF Output Power	P_{SAT}	10	18		W	1.70-1.85 GHz
Small Signal Gain	G		59		dB	Pin = -40 dBm
Small Signal Gain Flatness	ΔG		±0.86		dB	Pin = -40 dBm; 1.70-1.85 GHz
Power Gain Flatness	ΔG		±0.42		dB	
Input VSWR	VSWR		1.4:1			
Nominal Input Drive Level	P_{IN}		0		dBm	
Operating Voltage	VDC	22	28	32	V	
Quiescent (standby) Current	I_{DQ}		0.13		A	RF OFF (RF Enable Floating)
Quiescent (bias) Current	I_{DQ}		0.43		A	RF ON (RF Enable Low)
Operating Current	I_{DD}		1.57	3	A	
Module Efficiency			42		%	
Harmonics	2nd		-81		dBc	
	3rd		-85			
Output Mismatch (No Damage)				10:1	Ψ	No damage at all phase angles

Power Control

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Setting	Description	Typical Output Power	Typical Current
Pmax	Maximum Output Power	42.62 dBm	1.57 A
Pmax -1	1 dB Backoff from Pmax	41.48 dBm	1.35 A
Pmax -2	2 dB Backoff from Pmax	40.64 dBm	1.23 A
Pmax -3	3 dB Backoff from Pmax	39.66 dBm	1.10 A
Pmax -4	4 dB Backoff from Pmax	38.70 dBm	1.00 A
Pmax -5	5 dB Backoff from Pmax	37.66 dBm	0.90 A
Pmax -6	6 dB Backoff from Pmax	36.60 dBm	0.81 A
Pmax -7	7 dB Backoff from Pmax	35.67 dBm	0.74 A
Pmax -8	8 dB Backoff from Pmax	34.60 dBm	0.68 A
Pmax -9	9 dB Backoff from Pmax	33.62 dBm	0.63 A
Pmax -10	10 dB Backoff from Pmax	32.62 dBm	0.58 A
Pmax -11	11 dB Backoff from Pmax	31.72 dBm	0.55 A
Pmax -12	12 dB Backoff from Pmax	30.65 dBm	0.52 A
Pmax -13	13 dB Backoff from Pmax	29.61 dBm	0.49 A
Pmax -14	14 dB Backoff from Pmax	28.69 dBm	0.46 A
Pmin	15 dB Backoff from Pmax	27.54 dBm	0.44 A

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Specifications (cont.)

Mechanical Specifications

Parameter	Value	Unit	Limits
Dimensions	2.125 x 5.000 x 0.730	in	Max
Weight	8	oz	Max
RF Connectors, Input/Output	SMA Female		
Interface Connector	Micro-D, 9-Pin Socket		
Cooling	Adequate Heatsink Required		

Environmental Specifications

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Operating Temperature (ambient)	T_A	-40		+60	°C
Operating Temperature (baseplate)	T_C	-40		+85	°C
Storage Temperature	T_{STG}	-55		+85	°C
Relative Humidity (non-condensing)	RH			95	%
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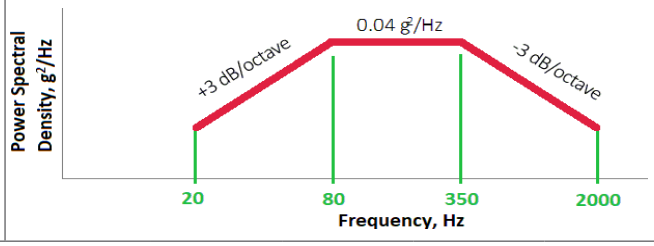
Vibration / Shock Profile (Random profile in x,y, z axis, as per Figure for 15 minute duration in each axis)					

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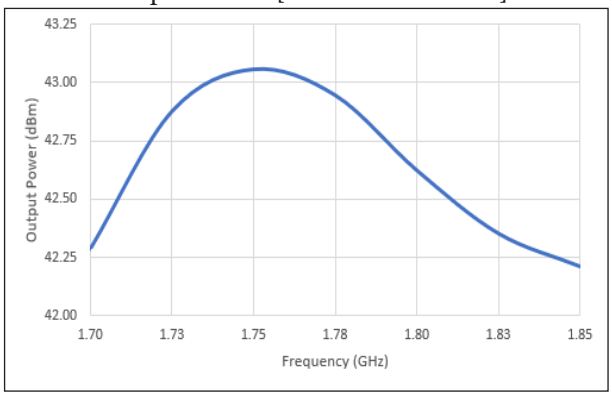
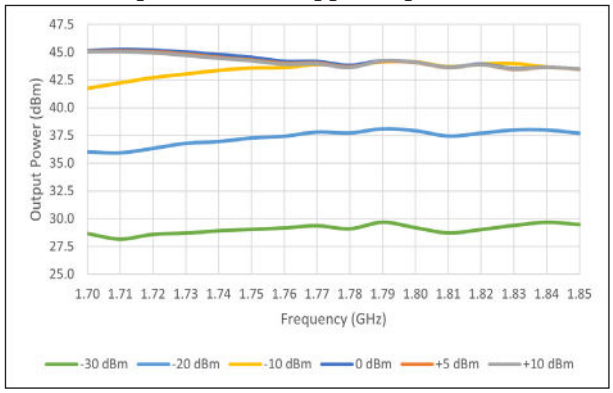
Performance Plots

Test Conditions: +28 VDC, +25 °C, Z_S=Z_L=50 Ω, CW, Pmax, 0 dBm Input Power (unless otherwise specified)

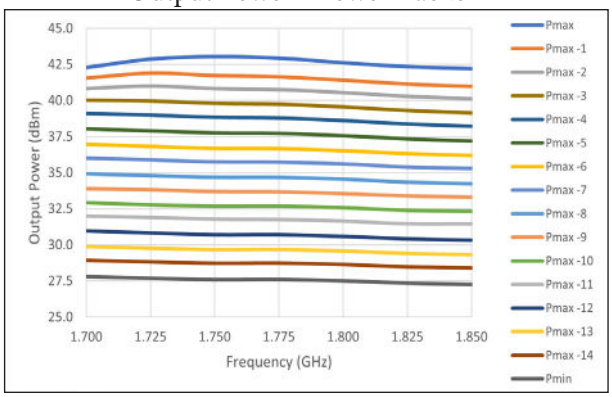
Output Power [Pin: 0 to +10 dBm]



Output Power - Stepped Input Power



Output Power - Power Backoff



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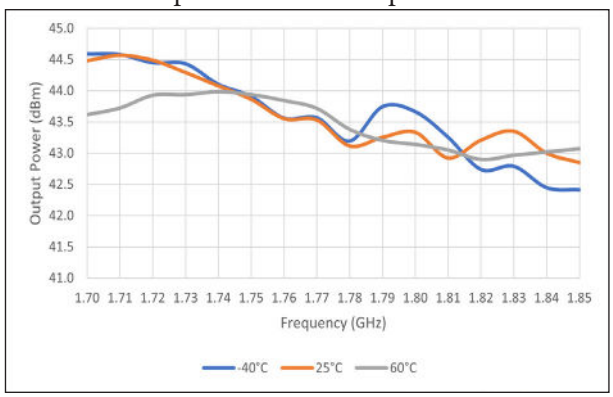
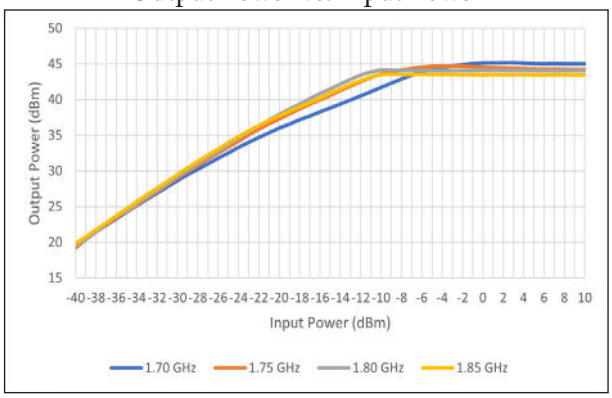


Output Power vs. Input Power



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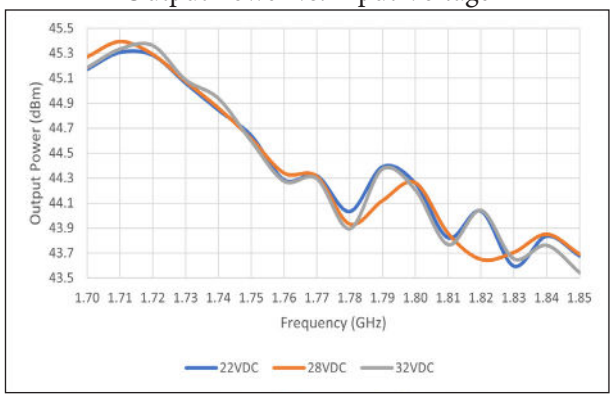

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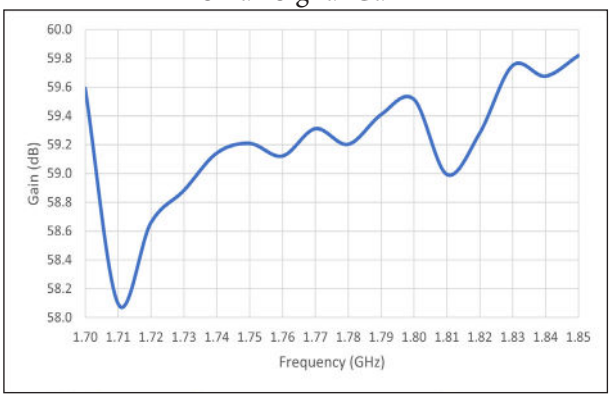

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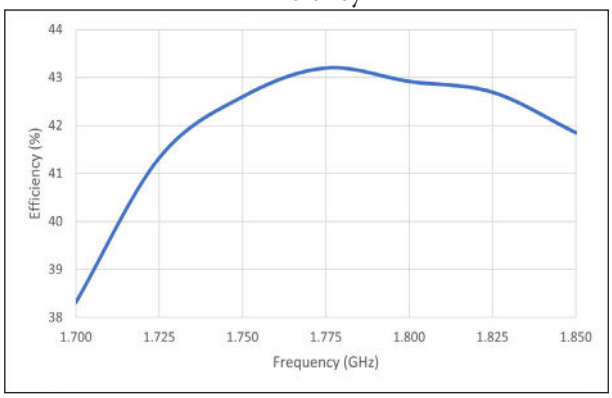

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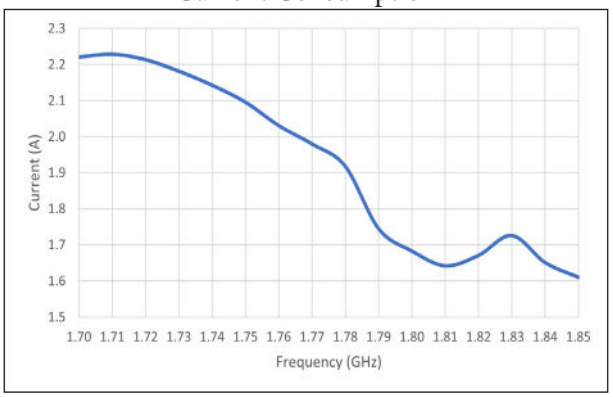
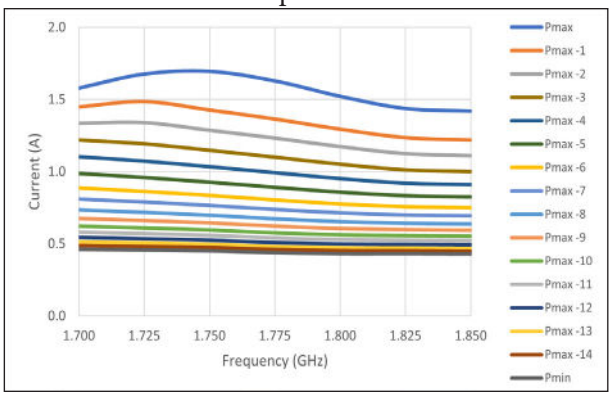
Current Consumption



Current Consumption - Power Backoff



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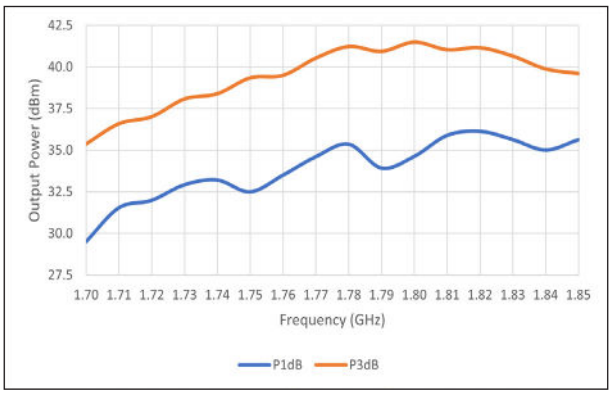

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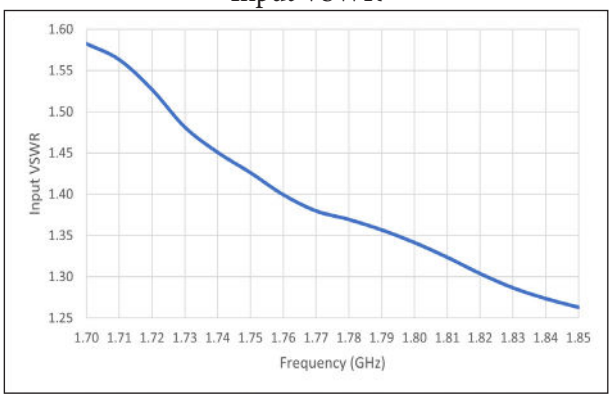
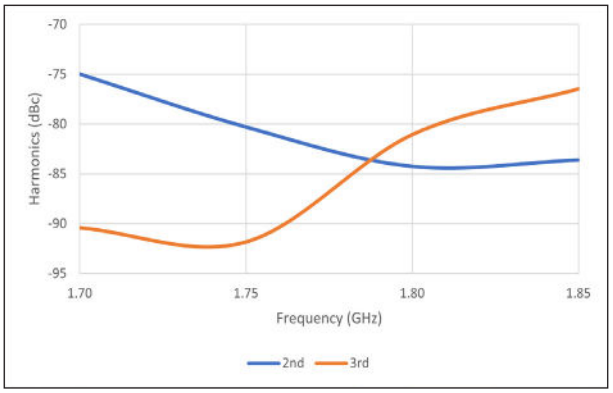


Harmonics



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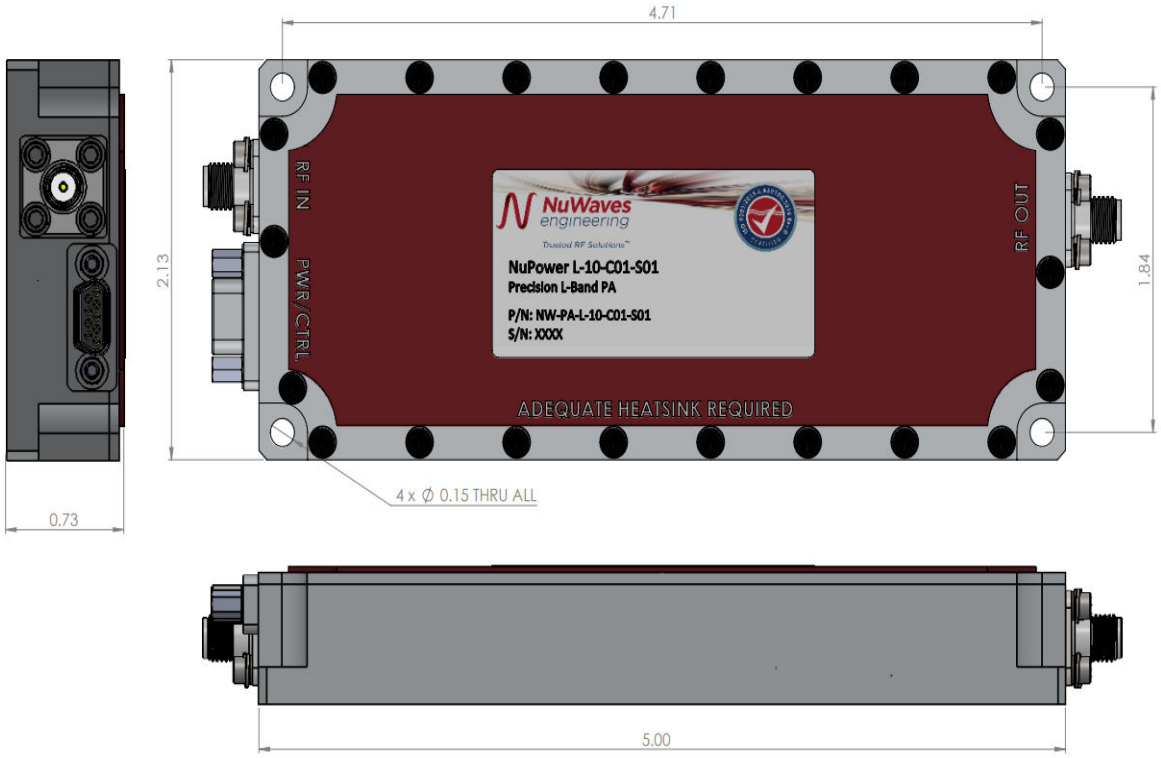
Mechanical Outline



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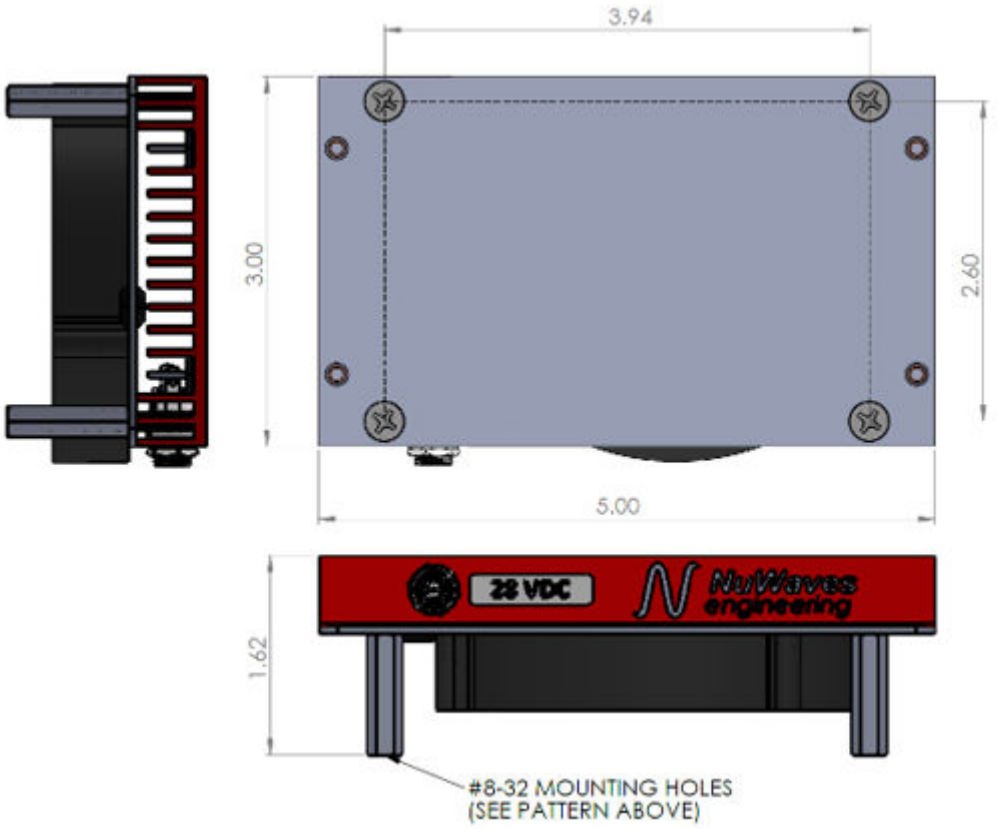
Optional Heatsink

Heatsink & Integrated Fan: HTSK-05



Accessory Part Numbers

Part Number	Description
NW-FL-05LPLE-2500-SFSF-M01	Harmonic Filter Module
NW-PA-ACC-CB09MJ	Standard Interface Cable Assembly - Flying Leads (included with module)
NW-PA-ACC-CT09MJ	Upgraded Interface Cable Assembly - Banana Plug Termination
HTSK-05	Heatsink with Integrated Fan

Pinout

Function	I/O	Pin
Ground	I	1, 2, 6
DC Power (+22 to +32 VDC)	I	3, 4, 5
RF Enable 0 V or GND = RF ON +5V or NC = RF OFF	I	9
Rx Data (RS-232)	O	7
Tx Data (RS-232)	I	8

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