Miniature Broadband Gain Stage 70 - 3000 MHz

Features

- Low Noise Figure
- High IP₃
- Single Supply +3 V, +5 V⁶
- RoHS* Compliant SOT-89 Package

Description

M/A-COM Technology's MAAL-010200 broadband gain stage is a GaAs MMIC amplifier in a lead-free SOT-89 surface mount plastic package. The MAAL-010200 employs a monolithic 1-stage self-biased design featuring a convenient 50 Ω input/output impedance that minimizes the number of external components required. Its broadband design provides usable performance from 500 to 3000 MHz. For operation below 500 MHz contact M/A-COM Technology's application group for support.

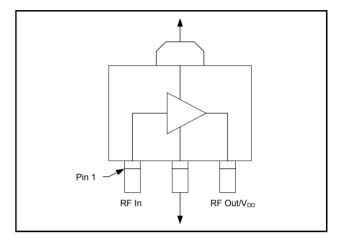
Ordering Information^{1,2}

| Part Number | Package |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| MAAL-010200 -TR3000 | 3000 piece reel |
| MAAL-010200-001SMB | Sample Test Board |

1. Reference Application Note M513 for reel size information.

2. All sample boards include 5 loose parts.

Functional Block Diagram



Pin Configuration

| Pin | Pin Name | Description |
|-----|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | RF In | RF Input |
| 2 | GND | Ground |
| 3 | RF Out/V _{DD} | RF Output & Voltage Bias |

Absolute Maximum Ratings ^{3,4,5}

| Parameter | Absolute Maximum |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Gain Compression | 6 dB |
| Voltage | 5.5 volts |
| Operating Temperature | -40 °C to +85 °C |
| Storage Temperature | -65 °C to +150 °C |

3. Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.

4. M/A-COM Technology does not recommend sustained operation near these survivability limits.

 Operating at 5 volts with no drain resistor will require the RF output power to be no greater than 10 dBm.

* Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, European Union Directive 2002/95/EC.

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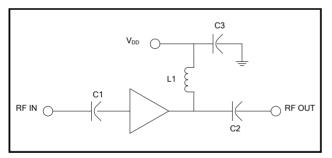
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Electrical Specifications: Freq. = 500 - 3000 MHz, T_A = 25°C, Z_0 = 50 Ω

| | Test Conditions | | Bias Voltage | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------------|------|------|----------------------|
| Parameter | | Units | 3 Volts | | | 5 Volts ⁶ |
| | | | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Тур. |
| | F = 0.9 GHz | | _ | 14 | — | 14 |
| Gain | F = 1.9 GHz | dB | 10 | 11 | 13 | 11 |
| | F = 3.0 GHz | | — | 8 | — | 8.5 |
| | F = 0.9 GHz | | | 1.3 | _ | 1.45 |
| Noise Figure | F = 1.9 GHz | dB | — | 1.4 | 2 | 1.4 |
| | F = 3.0 GHz | | — | 1.45 | — | 1.5 |
| | F = 0.9 GHz | | _ | 7.5 | _ | 7.5 |
| Input Return Loss | F = 1.9 GHz | dB | — | 11 | | 11 |
| | F = 3.0 GHz | | — | 14 | — | 14 |
| | F = 0.9 GHz | | _ | 19.5 | _ | 20 |
| Output Return Loss | F = 1.9 GHz | dB | — | 22 | — | 21.5 |
| | F = 3.0 GHz | | — | 20 | — | 23 |
| Output P1dB | 500 – 3000 MHz | dBm | | 17.5 | | — |
| Output IP ₃ | 500 – 3000 MHz | dBm | | 36 | | 36 |
| Current | - | | 50 | 77 | 100 | 90 |

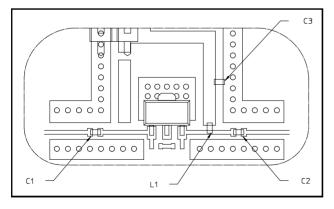
Baseline Application Schematic @ 3V, 5V



Component List @ 3V, 5V

| Part | Value | Case Style | Purpose |
|-------|--------|------------|-----------------|
| C1,C2 | 39 pF | 0402 | DC Block |
| C3 | 0.1 µF | 0402 | RF Bypass |
| L1 | 12 nH | 0402 | RF Choke/Tuning |

Recommended PCB Configuration @ 3V, 5V



Handling Procedures

The following precautions should be observed to avoid damage:

Static Sensitivity

Gallium Arsenide Integrated Circuits are sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD) and can be damaged by static electricity. Proper ESD control techniques should be used when handling these devices.

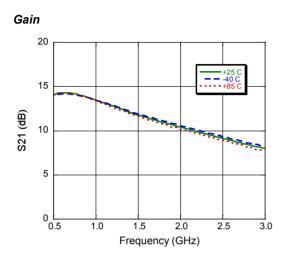
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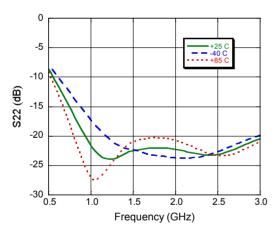


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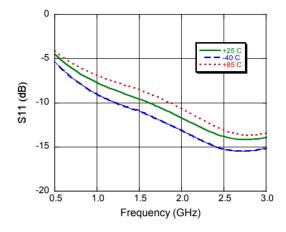
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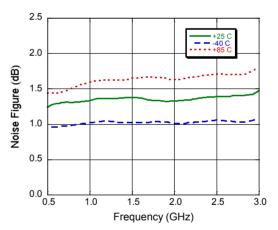
Output Return Loss



Input Return Loss



Noise Figure



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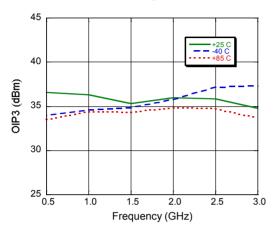
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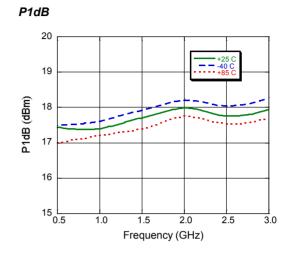


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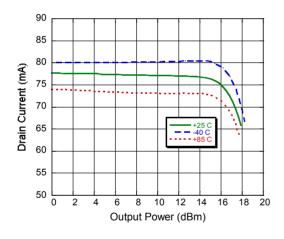
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Output IP3, Input Power @ -12 dBm





Current



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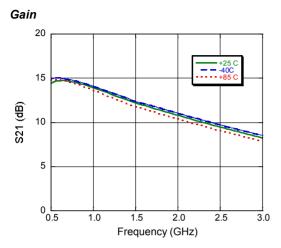
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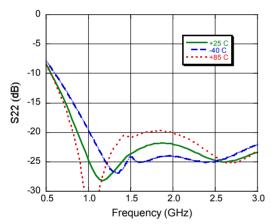


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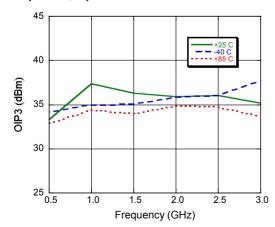
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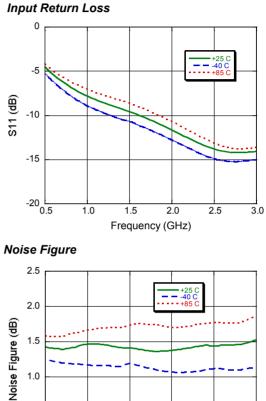


Output Return Loss



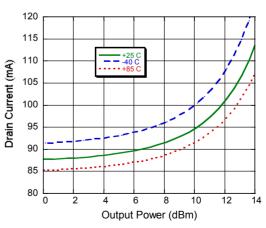
Output IP3, Input Power = -12 dBm





0.5 0.0 0.5 1.0 Frequency (GHz)

Current



 This device can run from a single 5 volt supply, but for 1M hour MTTF the output power must be no greater than 10 dBm unless using a series resistor on the drain. See Application note 7 on page 7.

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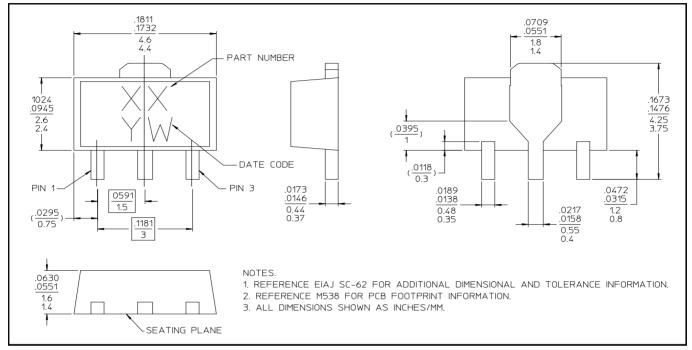
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Lead-Free SOT-89[†]



 Reference Application Note M538 for lead-free solder reflow recommendations. Meets JEDEC moisture sensitivity level 1 requirements. Plating is 100% matte tin over copper.

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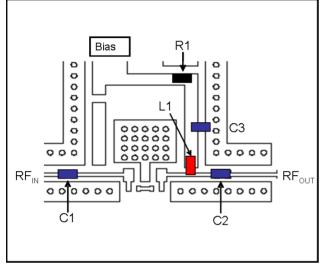


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5 Volt Application Section for operation above 10 dBm output power

Application Layout Schematic @ 5V⁷

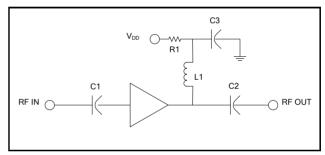


 The addition of a 27 Ω series resistor on the drain line allows for 5 volt operation above 10 dBm output power, but no greater than 22 dBm of output power.

Component List @ 5V

| Part | Value | Case Style | Purpose |
|------|--------|------------|-----------------|
| C1 | 39 pF | 0402 | Input DC Block |
| C2 | 39 pF | 0402 | Output DC Block |
| C3 | 0.1 µF | 0402 | RF Bypass |
| L1 | 12 nH | 0805 | RF Choke/Tuning |
| R1 | 27 Ω | 0402 | Voltage Drop |

Application Schematic @ 5V



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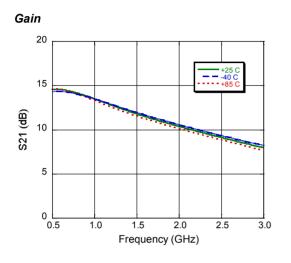


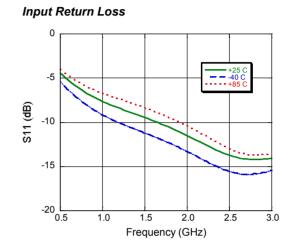
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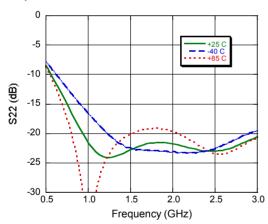
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Typical Performance Curves: V_{DD} = 5 V

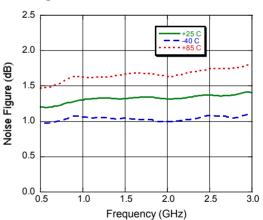




Output Return Loss









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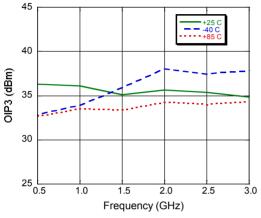
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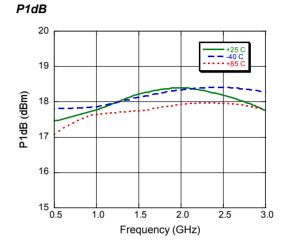
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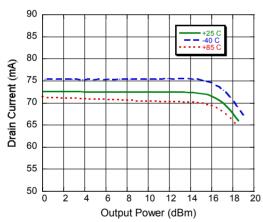
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