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

		Units	Bias Voltage			
Parameter	Test Conditions		3 Volts			5 Volts ⁶
			Min.	Тур.	Max.	Тур.
	F = 0.9 GHz	15	-	14	-	14
Gain	F = 1.9 GHz dB F = 3.0 GHz		10	11 8	13	11 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			17.5		—
Output IP ₃	500 – 3000 MHz	dBm		36		36
Current	_	mA	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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Typical Performance Curves: V_{DD} = 3 V



Output Return Loss



Input Return Loss



Noise Figure



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Output IP3, Input Power @ -12 dBm





Current



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Typical Performance Curves: $V_{DD} = 5 V^6$



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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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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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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Output Return Loss







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