Amplifier, CATV Return Path Differential 5 - 300 MHz

Features

- 19 dB Gain
- 7 dB Noise Figure
- 8 V Bias
- Low Distortion
- Wide Bandwidth for DOCSIS 3.1
- Lead-Free 3 mm 16-lead PQFN Package
- Halogen-Free "Green" Mold Compound
- RoHS* Compliant and 260°C Reflow Compatible

Description

The MAAM-011156 is a GaAs single stage differential amplifier assembled in a lead-free 3 mm 16-lead PQFN plastic package. This amplifier provides 19 dB of gain while biased at +8 volts and also offers a power down function. The amplifier provides excellent linearity and high output power with greater than 30 dB MER for 64 QAM modulation with 16 channels and 58 dBmV per channel.

It is ideally suited for use in CATV return path amplifier applications especially the wide bandwidth of DOCSIS 3.1.

Ordering Information^{1,2}

| Part Number | Package |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| MAAM-011156-TR1000 | 1000 piece reel |
| MAAM-011156-TR3000 | 3000 piece reel |
| MAAM-011156-001SMB | Sample Board |

1. Reference Application Note M513 for reel size information.

2. All sample boards include 5 loose parts.

*Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, European Union Directive 2011/65/EU.

| | | N/N | N/N | RF | RF |
|--------------------|---|-----|-----|----|----|
| | | 16 | 15 | 14 | 13 |
| RF _{IN} + | 1 | | | | |

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Functional Schematic

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Pin Designations

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| Pin | Function | Function |
|-----|---------------------|------------------|
| 1 | RF _{IN} + | RF Input+ |
| 2 | N/C | No Connection |
| 3 | N/C | No Connection |
| 4 | RF _{IN} - | RF Input- |
| 5 | V _{CC} | Bias Voltage |
| 6 | EN | Enable |
| 7 | RF_A- | RF Input Node A- |
| 8 | RF_B- | RF Input Node B- |
| 9 | FDBK- | Feedback- |
| 10 | RF _{out} - | RF Output- |
| 11 | RF _{OUT} + | RF Output+ |
| 12 | FDBK+ | Feedback+ |
| 13 | RF_B+ | RF Input Node B+ |
| 14 | RF_A+ | RF Input Node A+ |
| 15 | N/C | No Connection |
| 16 | N/C | No Connection |
| 17 | Paddle ³ | Ground |

3. The exposed paddle centered on the package bottom must be connected to RF and DC ground.

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Electrical Specifications: $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$, $V_{CC} = +8 V$, EN = 5 V

| Parameter | Test Conditions | Units | Min. | Тур. | Max. |
|--------------------|---|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Gain | -10 dBm P _{IN} , 100 MHz 250 MHz | dB | 18.5 18.0 | 19.5 19.5 | 21.5 21.0 |
| Noise Figure | 5 - 300 MHz | dB | — | 7 | — |
| Input Return Loss | 5 - 300 MHz | dB | — | 20 | — |
| Output Return Loss | 5 - 300 MHz | dB | _ | 18 | _ |
| Reverse Isolation | 5 - 300 MHz | dB | _ | 26 | — |
| 64 QAM MER | 16 Channels (5 - 250 MHz), 57 dBmV/Ch. | dBm | 30 | 35 | _ |
| P1dB | 5 - 300 MHz | dBm | _ | 28 | — |
| OIP3 | Two tones at 1 MHz spacing, P _{OUT} = +12 dBm per tone, 200 MHz | dBm | _ | 44 | _ |
| OIP2 | Two tones at 1 MHz spacing, P _{OUT} = +12 dBm per tone, 5 - 300 MHz | dBm | _ | 78 | |
| I _{CC} | V _{cc} = +8 V,EN = 5 V | mA | _ | 210 | 240 |
| | V _{cc} = +8 V, EN = 0 V | mA | _ | 1 | _ |

Absolute Maximum Ratings^{4,5}

| Parameter | Absolute Maximum |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Input Power | +11 dBm |
| Bias Voltage | +10 V |
| Operating Temperature | -40°C to +85°C |
| Storage Temperature | -65°C to +125°C |

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

MACOM does not recommend sustained operation near these survivability limits.

Handling Procedures

Please observe the following precautions to avoid damage:

Static Sensitivity

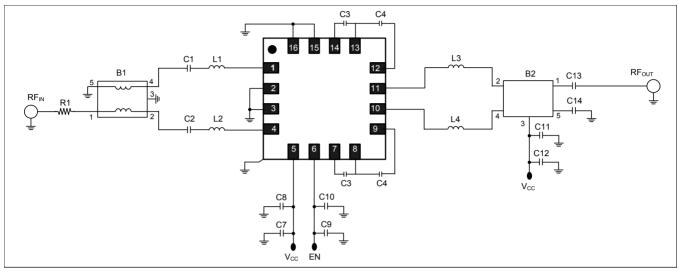
Gallium Arsenide Integrated Circuits are sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD) and can be damaged by static electricity. Proper ESD control techniques should be used when handling these HBM Class 1B devices.

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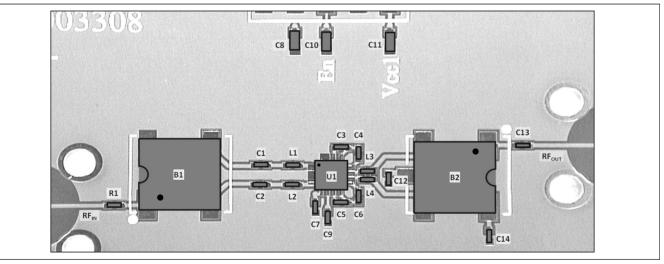
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Schematic PCB Layout



Sample Board



Off-Chip Component Values

| Component | Value | Package | |
|---------------|---|---------|--|
| C1-C6,C13 | 0.01 µF | 0402 | |
| C7,C9,C12,C14 | 0.1 µF | 0402 | |
| C8,C10,C11 | 1 µF | 0603 | |
| R1 | 0 Ω | 0402 | |
| L1-L4 | 18 nH | 0402 | |
| B1-B2 | 1:2 Transformer Balun, MACOM's MABA-011029 | | |

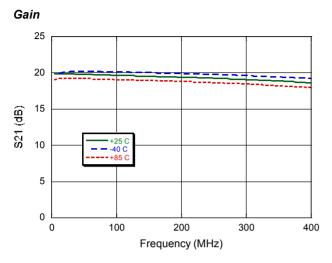
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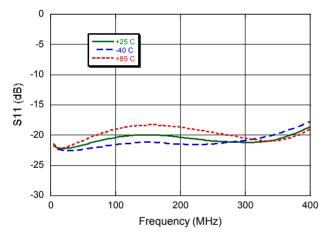


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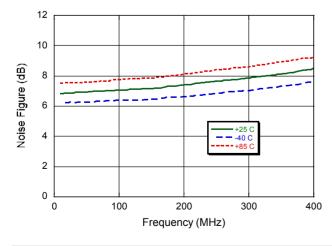
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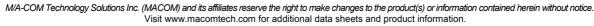
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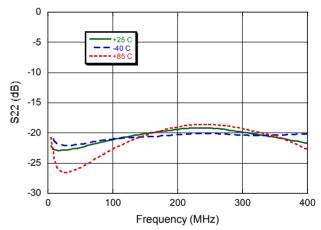
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0 -5 +25 C _ _ -40 C -10 +85 S12 (dB) -15 -20 -25 -30 100 200 300 0 400 Frequency (MHz)

Reverse Isolation





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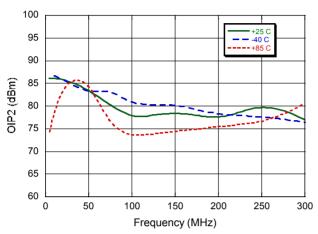


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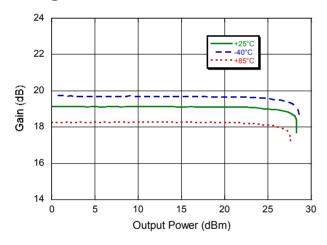
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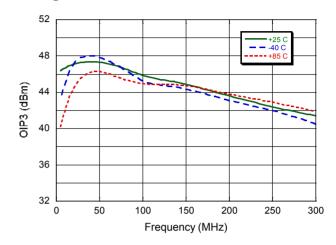
OIP2 @ P_{OUT} = 12 dBm



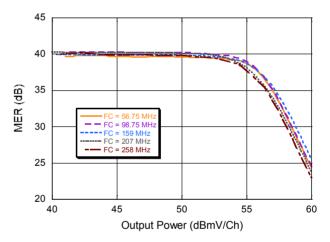
P1dB @ 250 MHz



OIP3 @ P_{OUT} = 12 dBm



64 QAM Modulation Error Ratio⁶



6. Fc is the carrier frequency for 9th of 16 contiguous 6 MHz 64 QAM channels. MER measured on 9th channel.

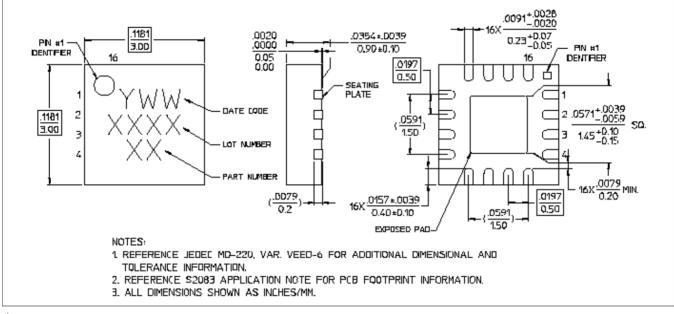
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Lead-Free 3 mm 16-Lead PQFN[†]



[†] Reference Application Note S2083 for lead-free solder reflow recommendations. Meets JEDEC moisture sensitivity level TBD requirements. Plating is 100% matte tin over copper.

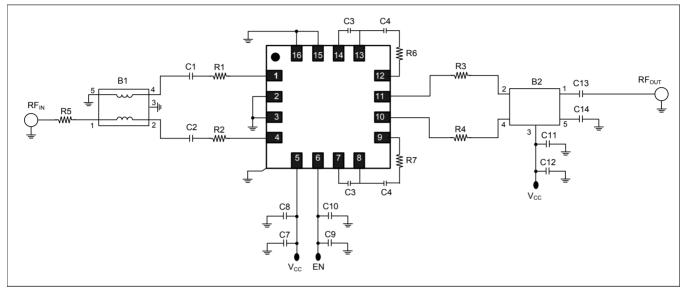


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15 dB Gain Schematic PCB Layout



15 dB Gain Off-Chip Component Values

| Component | Value | Package | |
|---------------|---|---------|--|
| C1-C6,C13 | 0.01 µF | 0402 | |
| C7,C9,C12,C14 | 0.1 µF | 0402 | |
| C8,C10,C11 | 1 µF | 0603 | |
| R1 - R5 | 0 Ω | 0402 | |
| R6, R7 | 560 Ω | 0402 | |
| B1-B2 | 1:1 Transformer Balun, MACOM's MABA-009572 | | |

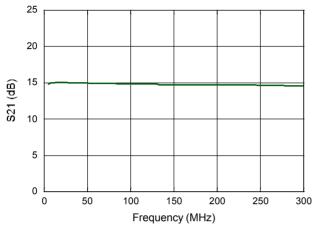
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Gain @ 15 dB

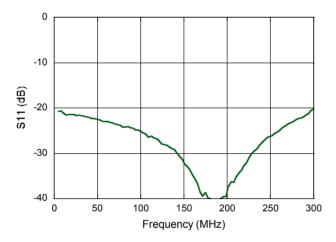
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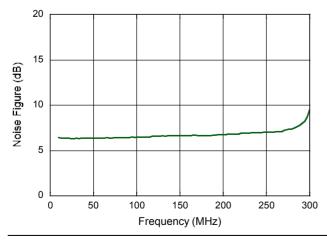


Input Return Loss with 15 dB Gain

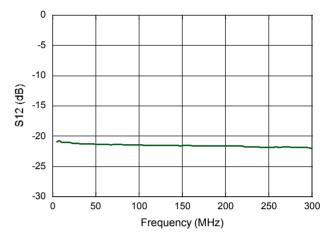


Noise Figure with 15 dB Gain

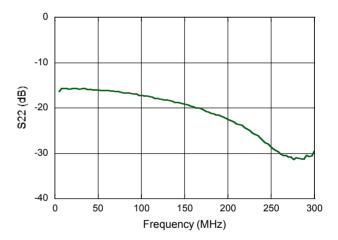
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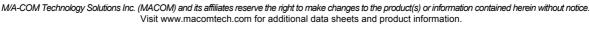


Reverse Isolation with 15 dB Gain



Output Return Loss with 15 dB Gain







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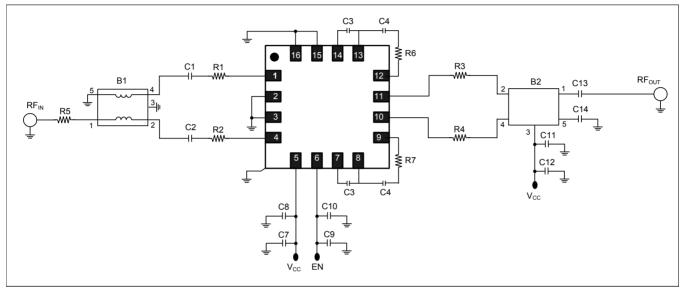


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10 dB Gain Schematic PCB Layout

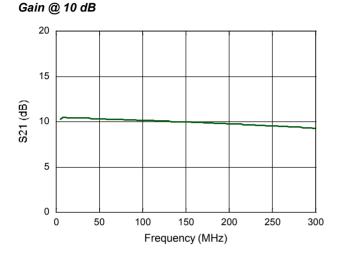


10 dB Gain Off-Chip Component Values

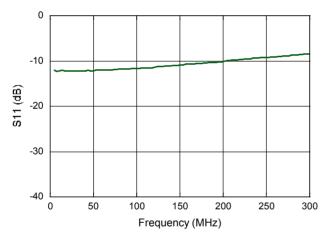
| Component | Value | Package | |
|---------------|---|---------|--|
| C1-C6,C13 | 0.01 µF | 0402 | |
| C7,C9,C12,C14 | 0.1 µF | 0402 | |
| C8,C10,C11 | 1 µF | 0603 | |
| R1 - R5 | 0 Ω | 0402 | |
| R6, R7 | 160 Ω | 0402 | |
| B1-B2 | 1:1 Transformer Balun, MACOM's MABA-009572 | | |

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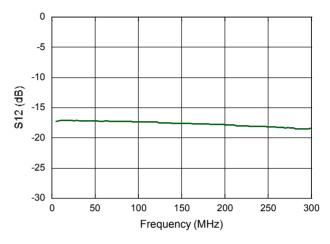
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Input Return Loss with 10 dB Gain

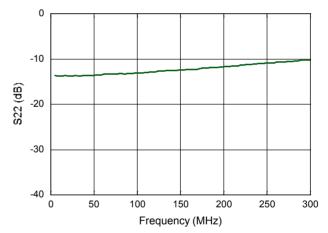


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Reverse Isolation with 10 dB Gain





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