Features

- Low Noise Figure
- High IP<sub>3</sub>
- Single Supply +3 V, +5 V<sup>6</sup>
- 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<sup>1,2</sup>

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<tr>
<td>MAAL-010200-TR3000</td>
<td>3000 piece reel</td>
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<td>MAAL-010200-001SMB</td>
<td>Sample Test Board</td>
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1. Reference Application Note M513 for reel size information.
2. All sample boards include 5 loose parts.

Functional Block Diagram

Pin Configuration

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<th>Pin</th>
<th>Pin Name</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>RF In</td>
<td>RF Input</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>GND</td>
<td>Ground</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>RF Out/V&lt;sub&gt;DD&lt;/sub&gt;</td>
<td>RF Output &amp; Voltage Bias</td>
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Absolute Maximum Ratings<sup>3,4,5</sup>

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<th>Parameter</th>
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<tr>
<td>Gain Compression</td>
<td>6 dB</td>
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<tr>
<td>Voltage</td>
<td>5.5 volts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Operating Temperature</td>
<td>-40 °C to +85 °C</td>
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<td>Storage Temperature</td>
<td>-65 °C to +150 °C</td>
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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.
5. Operating at 5 volts with no drain resistor will require the RF output power to be no greater than 10 dBm.

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Electrical Specifications:  Freq. = 500 - 3000 MHz, \( T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}, \ Z_0 = 50\ \Omega \)

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<tr>
<th>Parameter</th>
<th>Test Conditions</th>
<th>Units</th>
<th>3 Volts</th>
<th>5 Volts$^6$</th>
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<td>Gain</td>
<td>F = 0.9 GHz</td>
<td>dB</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>14</td>
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<td></td>
<td>F = 1.9 GHz</td>
<td>dB</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>11</td>
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<td>F = 3.0 GHz</td>
<td>dB</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>Noise Figure</td>
<td>F = 0.9 GHz</td>
<td>dB</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>1.3</td>
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<td></td>
<td>F = 1.9 GHz</td>
<td>dB</td>
<td>1.4</td>
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<td>F = 3.0 GHz</td>
<td>dB</td>
<td>1.45</td>
<td>—</td>
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<tr>
<td>Input Return Loss</td>
<td>F = 0.9 GHz</td>
<td>dB</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>7.5</td>
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<td>F = 0.9 GHz</td>
<td>dB</td>
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<td>F = 1.9 GHz</td>
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<td>22</td>
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<td>F = 3.0 GHz</td>
<td>dB</td>
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<td>—</td>
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<td>Output P1dB</td>
<td>500 – 3000 MHz</td>
<td>dBm</td>
<td>—</td>
<td>17.5</td>
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<tr>
<td>Output IP$_3$</td>
<td>500 – 3000 MHz</td>
<td>dBm</td>
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<td>36</td>
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<td>Current</td>
<td></td>
<td>mA</td>
<td>50</td>
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Baseline Application Schematic @ 3V, 5V

Component List @ 3V, 5V

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<td>39 pF</td>
<td>0402</td>
<td>DC Block</td>
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<td>C3</td>
<td>0.1 µF</td>
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<td>RF Bypass</td>
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<td>L1</td>
<td>12 nH</td>
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<td>RF Choke/Tuning</td>
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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.
Typical Performance Curves: $V_{DD} = 3 \, V$

**Gain**

![Gain Graph](image1)

**Input Return Loss**

![Input Return Loss Graph](image2)

**Output Return Loss**

![Output Return Loss Graph](image3)

**Noise Figure**

![Noise Figure Graph](image4)
Typical Performance Curves: $V_{DD} = 3$ V

**Output IP3, Input Power @ -12 dBm**

![Graph showing Output IP3 vs Frequency (GHz) for different temperatures.]

**P1dB**

![Graph showing P1dB vs Frequency (GHz) for different temperatures.]

**Current**

![Graph showing Drain Current vs Output Power (dBm) for different temperatures.]

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Typical Performance Curves: $V_{DD} = 5 \, V$

**Gain**

- $S_{21}$ (dB) vs. Frequency (GHz)
  - $+25 \, C$
  - $+40 \, C$
  - $+85 \, C$

**Input Return Loss**

- $S_{11}$ (dB) vs. Frequency (GHz)
  - $+25 \, C$
  - $+40 \, C$
  - $+85 \, C$

**Output Return Loss**

- $S_{22}$ (dB) vs. Frequency (GHz)
  - $+25 \, C$
  - $+40 \, C$
  - $+85 \, C$

**Noise Figure**

- Noise Figure (dB) vs. Frequency (GHz)
  - $+25 \, C$
  - $+40 \, C$
  - $+85 \, C$

**Output IP3, Input Power = -12 dBm**

- OIP3 (dBm) vs. Frequency (GHz)
  - $+25 \, C$
  - $+40 \, C$
  - $+85 \, C$

**Current**

- Drain Current (mA) vs. Output Power (dBm)
  - $+25 \, C$
  - $+40 \, C$
  - $+85 \, C$

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6. 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.
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.
5 Volt Application Section for operation above 10 dBm output power

Application Layout Schematic @ 5V

Component List @ 5V

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<td>R1</td>
<td>27 Ω</td>
<td>0402</td>
<td>Voltage Drop</td>
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Application Schematic @ 5V

7. 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.
5 Volt Application Section for operation above 10 dBm output power

Typical Performance Curves: $V_{DD} = 5$ V
5 Volt Application Section for operation above 10 dBm output power

Typical Performance Curves: \(V_{DD} = 5\) V

**Output IP3, Input Power @ -12 dBm**

```
Frequency (GHz) | +25 C | -40 C | +85 C
----------------|-------|-------|-------
0.5             | 35    | 35    | 35    
1.0             | 35    | 35    | 35    
1.5             | 35    | 35    | 35    
2.0             | 35    | 35    | 35    
2.5             | 35    | 35    | 35    
3.0             | 35    | 35    | 35    
```

**P1dB**

```
Frequency (GHz) | +25 C | -40 C | +85 C
----------------|-------|-------|-------
0.5             | 17    | 17    | 17    
1.0             | 17    | 17    | 17    
1.5             | 17    | 17    | 17    
2.0             | 17    | 17    | 17    
2.5             | 17    | 17    | 17    
3.0             | 17    | 17    | 17    
```

**Current**

```
Output Power (dBm) | +25 C | -40 C | +85 C
-------------------|-------|-------|-------
0                  | 70    | 70    | 70    
2                  | 70    | 70    | 70    
4                  | 70    | 70    | 70    
6                  | 70    | 70    | 70    
8                  | 70    | 70    | 70    
10                 | 70    | 70    | 70    
12                 | 70    | 70    | 70    
14                 | 70    | 70    | 70    
16                 | 70    | 70    | 70    
18                 | 70    | 70    | 70    
20                 | 70    | 70    | 70    
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