

Buffer Amplifier 4 - 11 GHz

Rev. V2

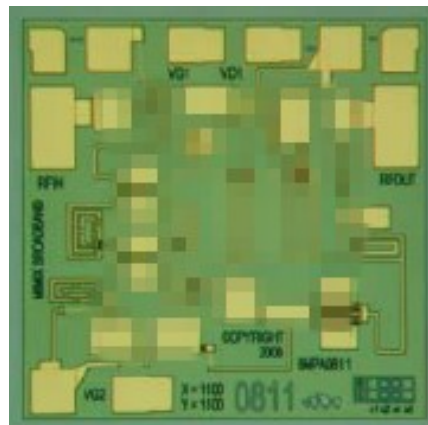
Features

- Excellent Transmit LO/Output Buffer Stage
- Compact Size
- 23 dB Small Signal Gain
- 20 dBm P1dB Compression Point
- 4.5 dB Noise Figure
- Variable Gain with Adjustable Bias
- 100% On-Wafer RF, DC and Output Power Testing
- 100% Commercial-Level Visual Inspection Using Mil-Std-883 Method 2010
- RoHS* Compliant and 260°C Reflow Compatible

Description

The XB1007-BD is a two stage 4 - 11 GHz GaAs MMIC buffer amplifier that has a small signal gain of 23 dB with a 20 dBm P1dB output compression point. The device also provides variable gain regulation with adjustable bias. This MMIC uses MACOM's GaAs pHEMT device model technology, and is based upon electron beam lithography to ensure high repeatability and uniformity. The chip has surface passivation to protect and provide a rugged part with backside via holes and gold metallization to allow either a conductive epoxy or eutectic solder die attach process. This device is specifically designed for use in PtP radio applications and is well suited for other telecom applications such as SATCOM and VSAT.

Chip Device Layout



Absolute Maximum Ratings¹

Parameter	Absolute Maximum
Supply Voltage (V_D)	4.3 V_{DC}
Supply Current (I_{D1})	180 mA
Gate Bias Voltage (V_G)	0 V
Input Power (P_{IN})	20 dBm
Storage Temperature (T_{STG})	-65°C to +165°C
Operating Temperature (T_A)	-55°C to +85°C
Channel Temperature (T_{CH})	+175°C

1. Channel temperature directly affects a device's MTTF. Channel temperature should be kept as low as possible to maximize lifetime.

Ordering Information

Part Number	Package
XB1007-BD-000V	"V" - vacuum release gel paks
XB1007-BD-EV1	evaluation module

* Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, compliant to current RoHS EU directive.

Electrical Specifications: Freq. = 4 - 11 GHz, T_A = +25°C

Parameter	Units	Min.	Typ.	Max.
Input Return Loss (S11)	dB	—	20	—
Output Return Loss (S22)	dB	—	12	—
Small Signal Gain (S21)	dB	—	23	—
Gain Flatness (ΔS_{21})	dB	—	+/-1.5	—
Reverse Isolation (S12)	dB	—	65	—
Noise Figure	dB	—	4.5	—
Output Power for 1dB Compression Point (P1dB) ²	dBm	—	20	—
Saturated Output Power (P _{SAT})	dBm	—	21	—
Drain Bias Voltage (V _{D2})	V _{DC}	—	4	4
Gate Bias Voltage (V _{G2})	V _{DC}	-1.0	-0.35	-0.1
Supply Current (I _D) (V _D = 4 V, V _{G2} = -0.5 V Typical)	mA	—	100	130

2. Measured using constant current.

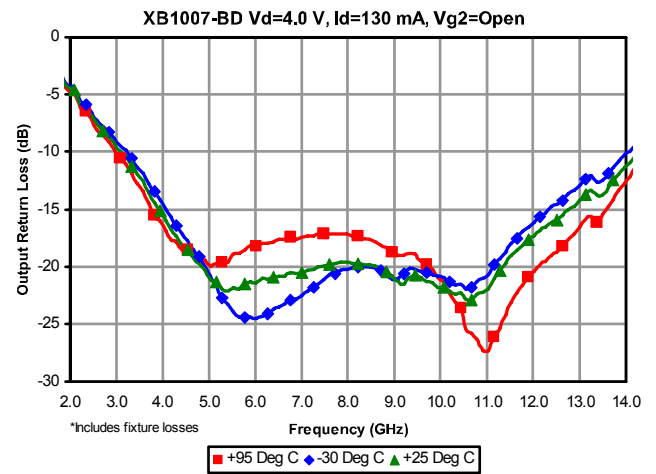
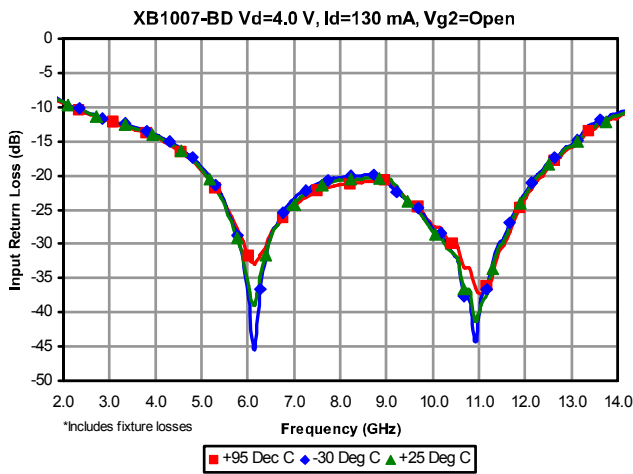
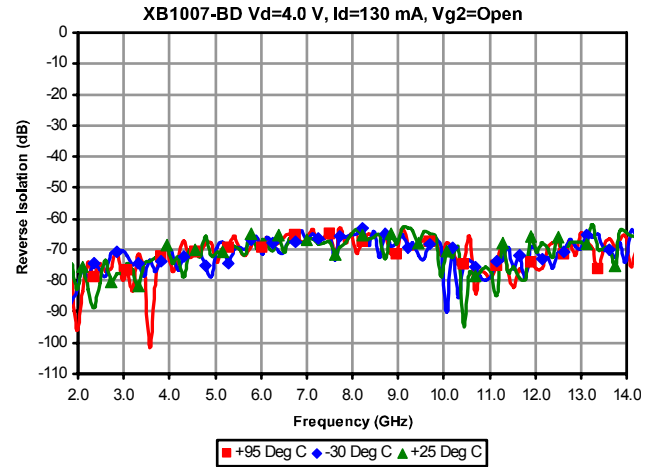
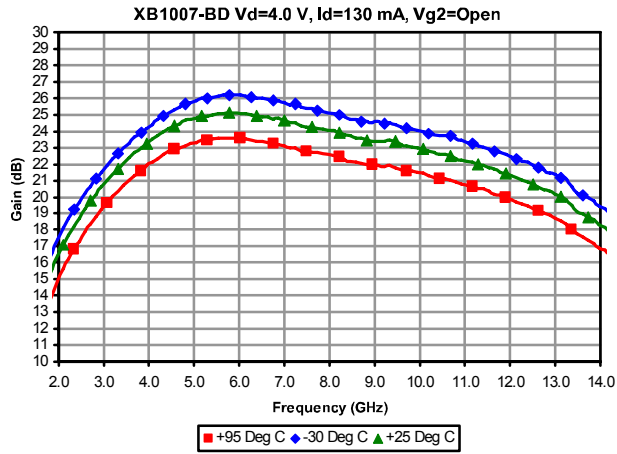
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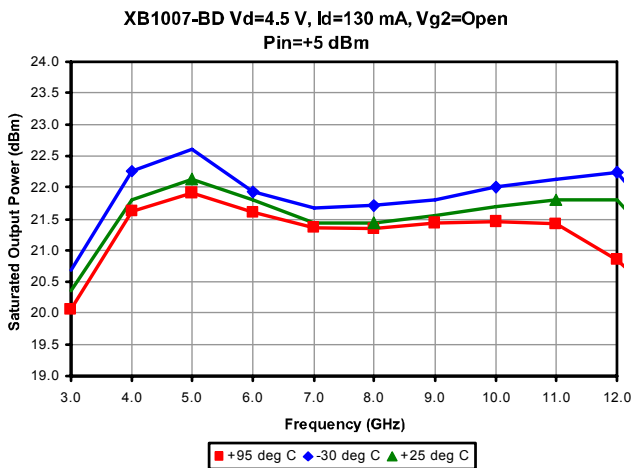
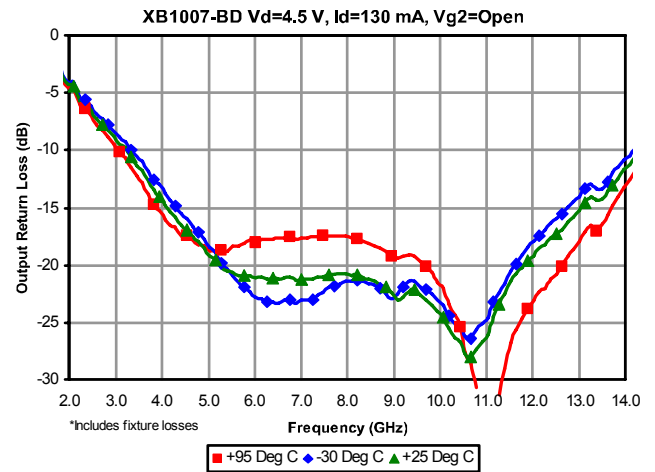
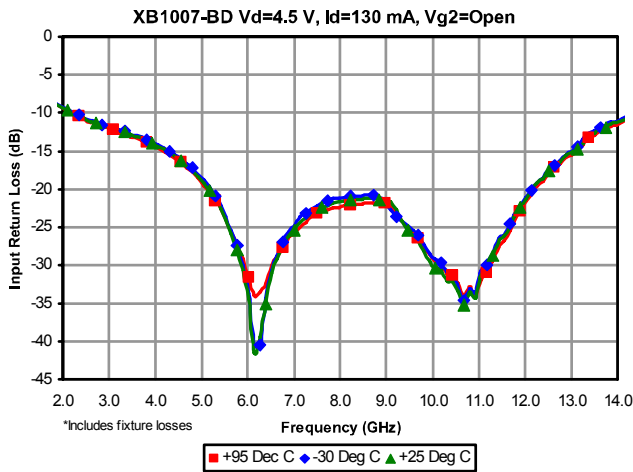
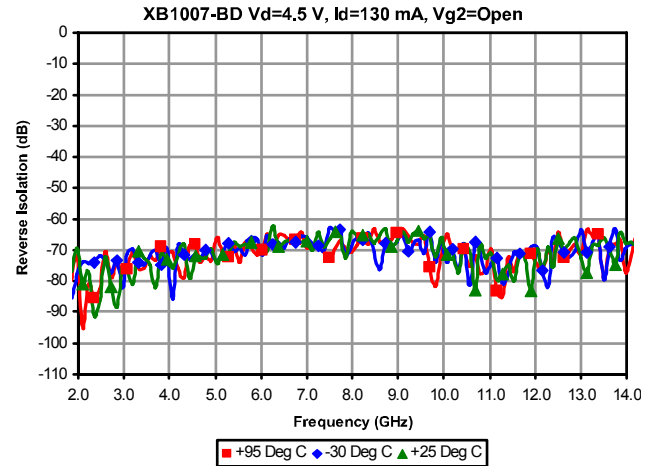
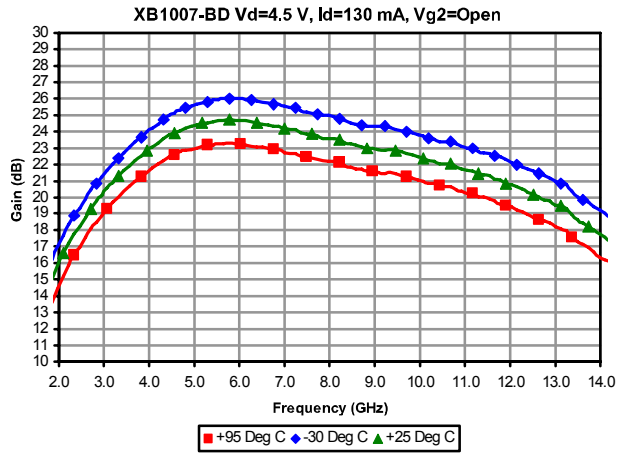
Static Sensitivity

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 class 2 devices.

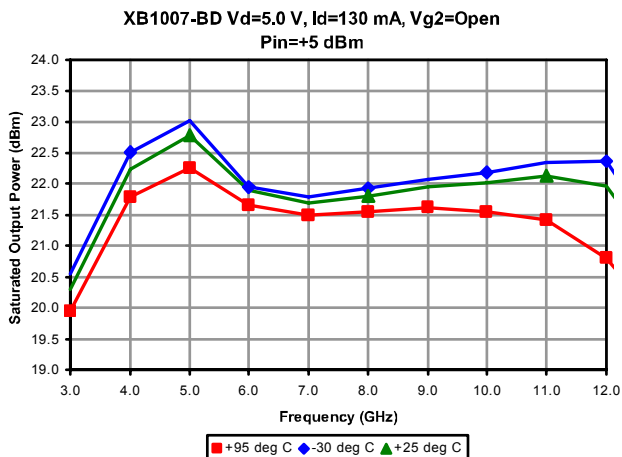
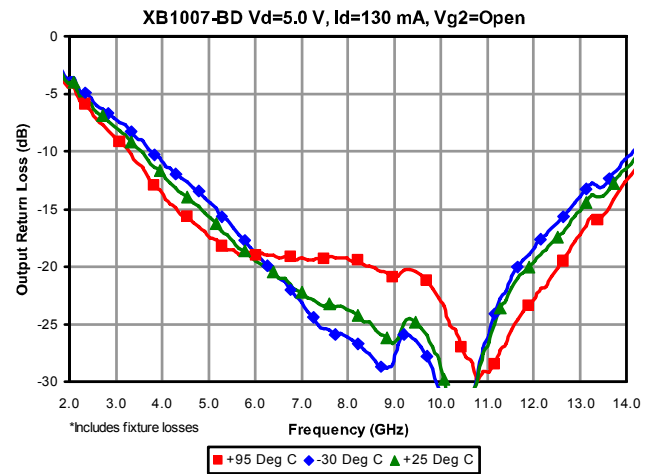
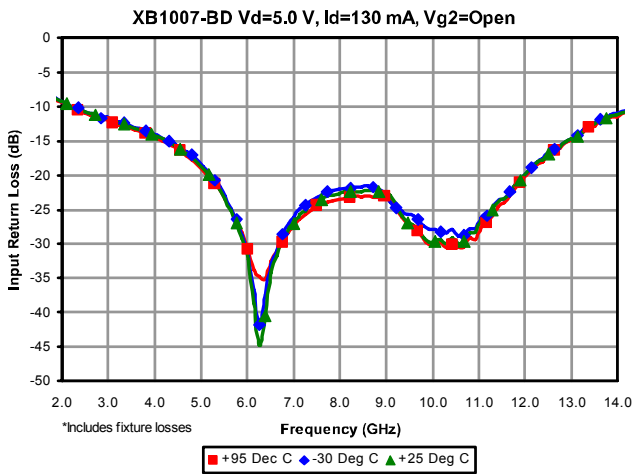
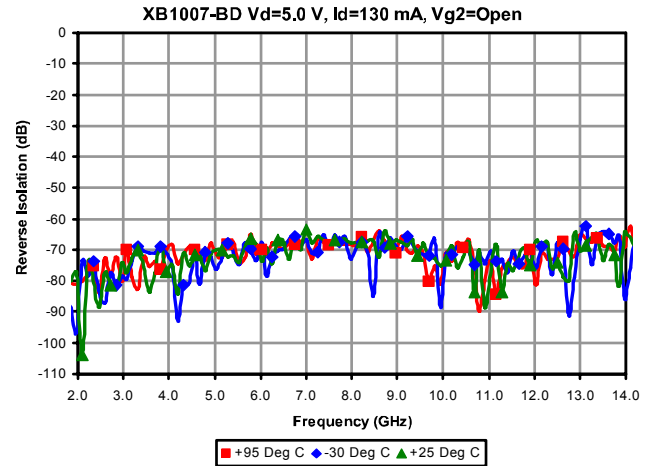
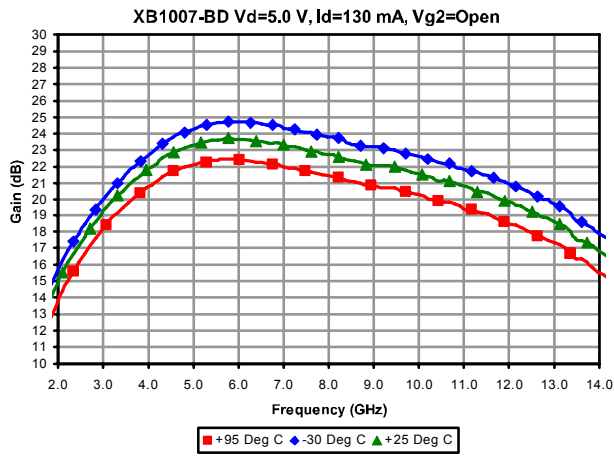
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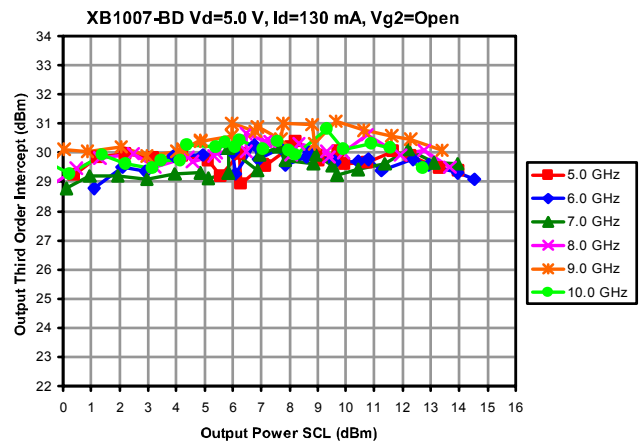
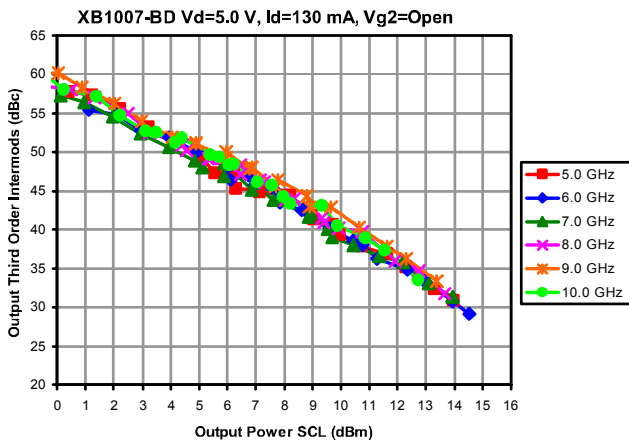
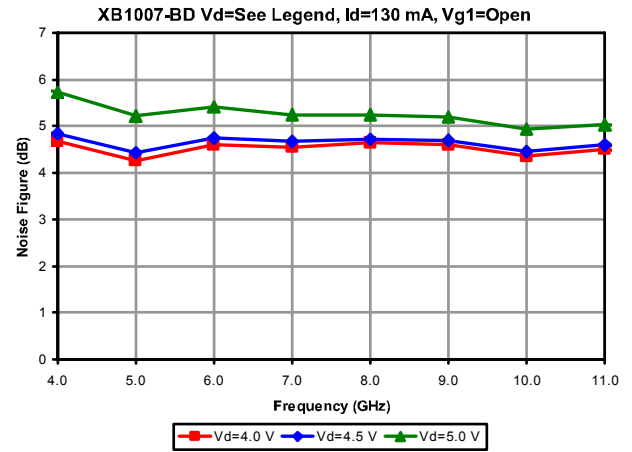
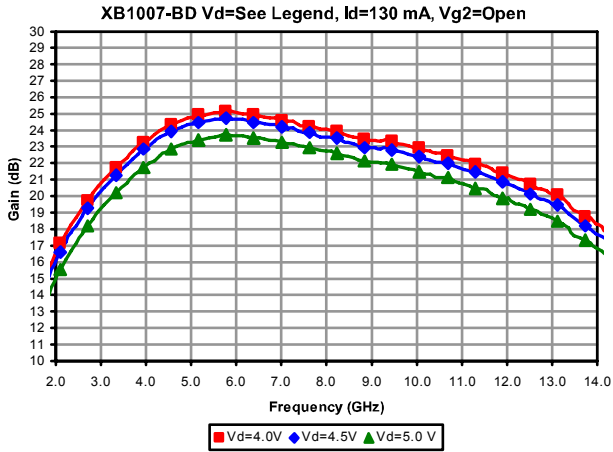
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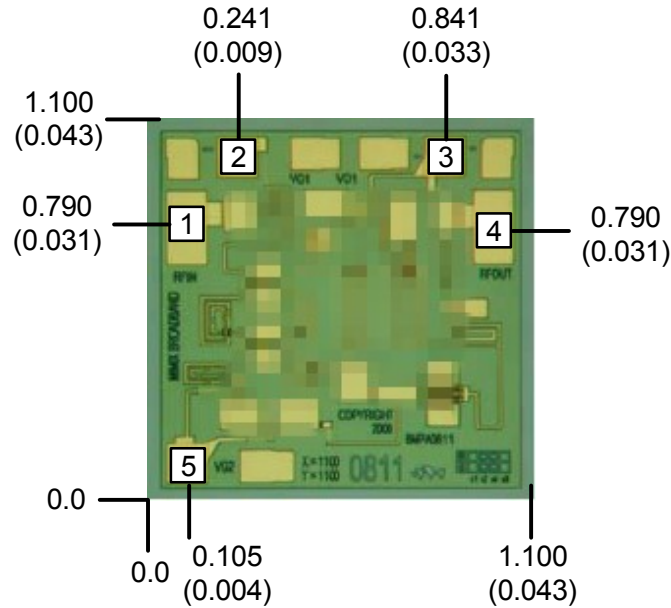
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Typical S-Parameters: $V_D = 4.5\text{ V}$, $I_D = 130\text{ mA}$

Frequency (GHz)	S11 (Mag)	S11 (Ang)	S21 (Mag)	S21 (Ang)	S12 (Mag)	S12 (Ang)	S22 (Mag)	S22 (Ang)
0.045	0.978	-4.96	0.025	-167.48	0.0012	2.71	1.000	-3.23
1.0	0.558	-47.76	2.108	96.03	0.0001	-117.16	0.881	-75.42
2.0	0.292	-50.93	5.334	55.58	0.0009	141.34	0.646	-133.66
3.0	0.211	-59.68	8.848	17.23	0.0016	81.43	0.502	176.53
4.0	0.189	-81.69	12.975	-20.85	0.0013	32.52	0.392	126.19
5.0	0.148	-92.58	16.002	-61.20	0.0010	14.48	0.299	71.12
6.0	0.049	-131.19	17.813	-103.17	0.0006	-143.50	0.235	2.95
7.0	0.031	103.39	16.657	-140.92	0.0010	90.00	0.183	-58.81
8.0	0.052	40.99	16.006	-173.62	0.0018	76.58	0.177	-98.54
9.0	0.089	14.70	14.867	154.53	0.0027	60.07	0.160	-133.12
10.0	0.044	20.61	14.065	123.27	0.0021	-3.97	0.127	-159.96
11.0	0.014	91.02	12.785	91.14	0.0014	-34.03	0.049	-166.81
12.0	0.058	124.81	11.218	59.48	0.0018	-103.20	0.074	-66.32
13.0	0.141	114.80	9.492	28.22	0.0021	-159.33	0.216	-78.40
14.0	0.223	104.74	7.781	-2.27	0.0037	160.77	0.370	-101.39
15.0	0.279	92.29	6.067	-31.02	0.0041	132.87	0.501	-122.23
16.0	0.329	77.30	4.663	-57.12	0.0038	133.16	0.610	-142.71
17.0	0.361	67.40	3.548	-80.79	0.0030	141.13	0.693	-159.49
18.0	0.376	60.85	2.701	-103.10	0.0058	134.50	0.760	-175.38
19.0	0.373	52.87	2.084	-123.45	0.0082	102.56	0.794	170.52
20.0	0.361	48.90	1.623	-142.31	0.0105	61.49	0.804	159.64

Mechanical Drawing



(Note: Engineering designator is 8MPA0811)

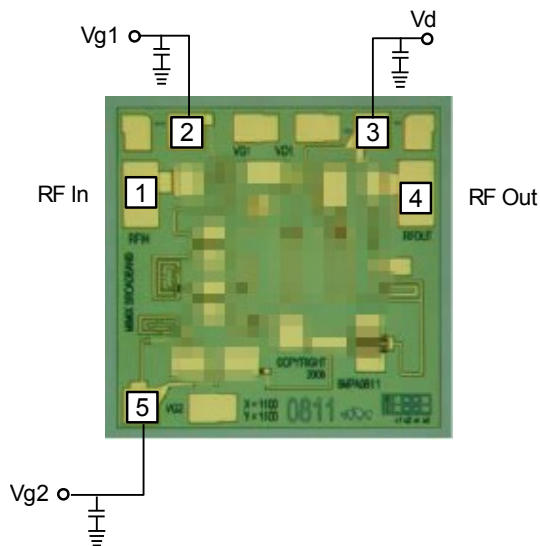
Units: millimeters (inches) Bond pad dimensions are shown to center of bond pad.
 Thickness: 0.110 +/- 0.010 (0.0043 +/- 0.0004), Backside is ground, Bond Pad/Backside Metallization: Gold
 All DC Bond Pads (except Vd3) are 0.100 x 0.100 (0.004 x 0.004). All RF Bond Pads (and Vd3) are 0.100 x 0.200 (0.004 x 0.008)
 Bond pad centers are approximately 0.109 (0.004) from the edge of the chip.
 Dicing tolerance: +/- 0.005 (+/- 0.0002). Approximate weight: 0.75 mg.

Bond Pad #1 (RF In)
Bond Pad #2 (Vg1)

Bond Pad #3 (Vd)
Bond Pad #4 (RF Out)

Bond Pad #5 (Vg2)

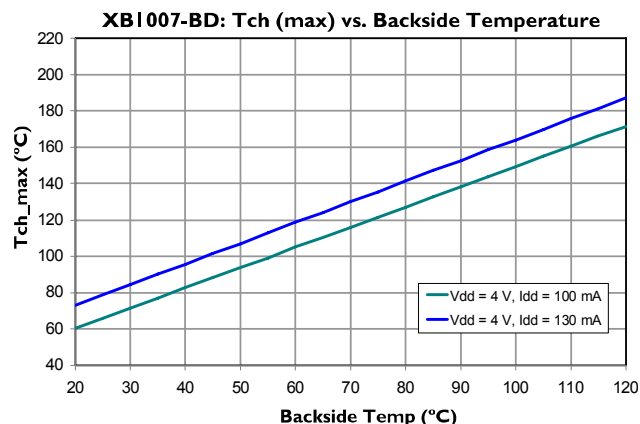
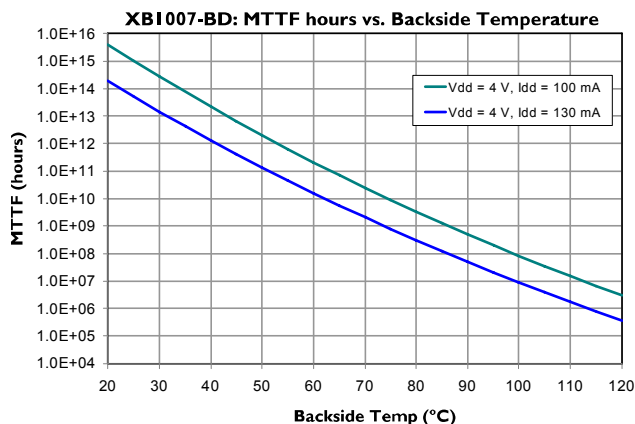
Bias Arrangement



Bypass Capacitors - See App Note [2]

MTTF:

These numbers were calculated based on accelerated life test information and thermal model analysis received from the fabricating foundry.



Application Notes:

[1] Biasing -

The device provides variable gain with adjustable bias regulation. For optimum linearity performance, it is recommended to bias this device at $V_D = 4$ V with $I_D = 90$ mA (V_{G2} at approximately -0.5 V and V_{G1} left open). It is also recommended to use active biasing to control the drain currents because this gives the most reproducible results over temperature or RF level variations. Depending on the supply voltage available and the power dissipation constraints, the bias circuit may be a single transistor or a low power operational amplifier, with a low value resistor in series with the drain supply used to sense the current. The gate of the pHEMT is controlled to maintain correct drain current and thus drain voltage. The typical gate voltage needed to do this is -0.5 V. Typically the gate is protected with silicon diodes to limit the applied voltage. Also, make sure to sequence the applied voltage to ensure negative gate bias is available before applying the positive drain supply.

[2] Bias Arrangement -

For Individual Stage Bias (recommended for saturated applications) each DC pad (V_D and $V_{G1,2}$) needs to have DC bypass capacitance ($\sim 100 - 200$ pF) as close to the device as possible. Additional DC bypass capacitance (~ 0.01 μ F) is also recommended.

[3] Packaging -

MACOM recommends to include a hydrogen getter for situations where this part is being used in a hermetically sealed package.

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