

Constant Phase Digital Attenuator 31.0 dB, 5-Bit, TTL Driver, DC-3.0 GHz

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Features

- Attenuation: 1 dB steps to 31 dB
- Minimal Phase Variation over Attenuation Range
- Low DC Power Consumption
- Hermetic Surface Mount Package
- Integral TTL Driver
- 50 Ω Nominal Impedance
- RoHS* Compliant and 260°C Reflow Compatible

Description

The MAAD-009194-000100 is a GaAs FET 5-bit digital attenuator with a 1 dB minimum step size and 31 dB total attenuation. The design has been optimized to minimize phase variation over the attenuation range. This attenuator and integral TTL driver is in a hermetically sealed ceramic 16-lead surface mount package.

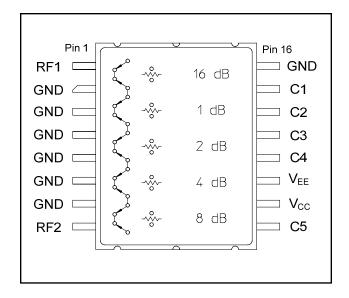
The MAAD-009194-000100 is ideally suited for use where accuracy, fast switching, very low power consumption and low intermodulation products are required. Typical applications include dynamic range setting in precision receiver circuits and other gain/leveling control circuits. Environmental screening is available. Contact the factory for information.

Ordering Information ¹

| Part Number | Package | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|--|--|
| MAAD-009194 -000100 | Bulk Packaging | | |
| MAAD-009194 -0001TB | Sample Test Board | | |

^{1.} Reference Application Note M513 for reel size information.

Functional Schematic



Pin Configuration²

| Pin No. | lo. Function Pin No. | | Function | |
|---------|----------------------|----|-----------------|--|
| 1 | RF1 | 9 | C5 | |
| 2 | GND | 10 | V _{CC} | |
| 3 | GND | 11 | V _{EE} | |
| 4 | GND | 12 | C4 | |
| 5 | GND | 13 | C3 | |
| 6 | GND | 14 | C2 | |
| 7 | GND | 15 | C1 | |
| 8 | RF2 | 16 | GND | |

The metal bottom of the case must be connected to RF and DC ground.

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

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Electrical Specifications: $T_A = 25$ °C, $Z_0 = 50 \Omega$, $V_{CC} = +5.0 V$, $V_{EE} = -5.0 V$

| Parameter | Test Conditions | Units | Min. | Тур. | Max. | |
|--|--|-------|---|-------------------|-------------|--|
| Operating Power | _ | dBm | | | +20 | |
| Reference Insertion Loss | DC - 1.0 GHz DC - 2.0 GHz DC - 3.0 GHz | dB | _ | 4.5 5.0 5.3 | | |
| Attenuation Accuracy ³ | Any Single Bit, DC - 3.0 GHz Any Combination of Bits, DC - 3.0 GHz | | 3 +3% of attenuation setting in dB) dB +4% of attenuation setting in dB) dB | | | |
| Phase Accuracy Relative to Reference Loss State | Any Single Bit, DC - 2.0 GHz Any Single Bit, 2.0 - 3.0 GHz Any Combination of Bits, DC - 1.0 GHz Any Combination of Bits, 1.0 - 2.0 GHz Any Combination of Bits, 2.0 - 3.0 GHz | deg | ± 3 ± 5 ± 4 ± 11 ± 18 | | | |
| VSWR | DC - 3.0 GHz | Ratio | _ | _ | 1.8:1 | |
| Trise, Tfall | 10% to 90% RF, 90% to 10% RF | ns | | See Table 1 | | |
| Ton, Toff | 1.3 V Control to 90% RF, 1.3 V Control to 10% RF | ns | | See Table 1 | | |
| 1 dB Compression ⁴ | Reference State 0.05 GHz 0.5 - 3.0 GHz | dBm | _ | >+26 >+26 | _ | |
| Input IP3 | For two-tone Input Power up to +5 dBm 0.05 GHz 0.5 - 3.0 GHz | dBm | _ | +39 +41 | _ | |
| Input IP2 | For two-tone Input Power up to +5 dBm 0.05 GHz 0.5 - 3.0 GHz | dBm | _ | +45 +68 | _ | |
| V _{CC} V _{EE} | | V | V 4.5 -8.0 | | 5.5 -4.5 | |
| VIL VIH | LOW-level input voltage HIGH-level input voltage | V | 0.0 2.0 | 0.0 5.0 | 0.8 5.0 | |
| I _{IN} (Input Leakage Current) | V _{IN} = V _{CC} or GND | | -1 | _ | 1 | |
| Icc (Quiescent Supply Current) | V _{CNTRL} = V _{CC} or GND | | _ | 250 | 400 | |
| Δlcc (Additional Supply Current Per TTL Input Pin) | V _{CC} = Max, V _{CNTRL} = V _{CC} - 2.1 V | mA | _ | _ | 1.5 | |
| I _{EE} | V _{EE} min to max, V _{IN} = VIL or VIH | mA | -1.0 | -0.2 | _ | |
| Thermal Resistance θjc | _ | °C/W | _ | 50 | _ | |

^{3.} This attenuator is guaranteed monotonic.

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^{4. 1} dB Compression was measured up to +26 dBm, which is the absolute maximum rating for this device.

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Absolute Maximum Ratings 5,6

| Parameter | Absolute Maximum |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Max Input Power DC - 3.0 GHz | +26 dBm |
| V _{CC} | $-0.5 \text{V} \le \text{V}_{\text{CC}} \le +7.0 \text{V}$ |
| V _{EE} | $-8.5 \text{V} \le \text{V}_{\text{EE}} \le +0.5 \text{V}$ |
| V _{CC} - V _{EE} | $-0.5 \text{V} \le \text{V}_{\text{CC}} - \text{V}_{\text{EE}} \le 14.5 \text{V}$ |
| V _{IN} ⁷ | $-0.5V \le Vin \le V_{CC} + 0.5V$ |
| Operating Temperature | -55°C to +125°C |
| Storage Temperature | -65°C to +150°C |

- Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.
- M/A-COM Technology does not recommend sustained operation near these survivability limits.
- Standard CMOS TTL interface, latch-up will occur if logic signal is applied prior to power supply.

Typical Switching Speed (table 1)

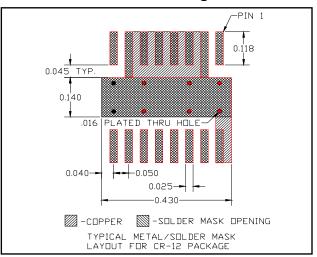
| Testing Condition | Ton | Trise | Units |
|--------------------|------|-------|-------|
| Ref. State ↔ 1 dB | 3.6 | 3.6 | μs |
| Ref. State ↔ 2 dB | 3.6 | 3.6 | μs |
| Ref. State ↔ 4 dB | 3.7 | 3.7 | μs |
| Ref. State ↔ 8 dB | 3.3 | 3.3 | μs |
| Ref. State ↔ 16 dB | 4.5 | 4.5 | μs |
| Ref. State ↔ 31 dB | 30.5 | 30.5 | μs |

Truth Table (Digital Attenuator)

| Control Inputs | | | | | | | |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|-------------|--|--|
| C5 | C4 | СЗ | C2 | C1 | Attenuation | | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Reference | | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 16 dB | | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 dB | | |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 dB | | |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 dB | | |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 dB | | |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 31 dB | | |

0 = TTL Low; 1 = TTL High

Recommended PCB Configuration



Typical Input IP2 and IP38

| Attenuation | IP2 | | | IP3 | | | Units |
|-----------------|--------|---------|-------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| Attenuation | 50 MHz | 500 MHz | 2 GHz | 50 MHz | 500 MHz | 2 GHz | Ullits |
| Reference State | 50 | 68 | 70 | 39 | 43 | 42 | dBm |
| 1 dB | 50 | 68 | 70 | 39 | 43 | 37 | dBm |
| 2 dB | 50 | 68 | 70 | 39 | 43 | 37 | dBm |
| 4 dB | 50 | 68 | 70 | 37 | 37 | 37 | dBm |
| 8 dB | 50 | 68 | 70 | 37 | 37 | 37 | dBm |
| 16 dB | 50 | 68 | 65 | 31 | 32 | 32 | dBm |
| 31 dB | 50 | 50 | 50 | 31 | 30 | 29 | dBm |

8. IP2 and IP3 are measured with two-tone inputs F1 and F2 up to +5 dBm with 1 MHz spacing.

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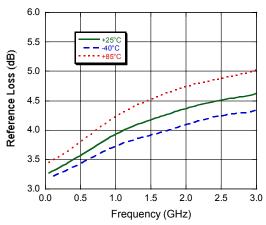


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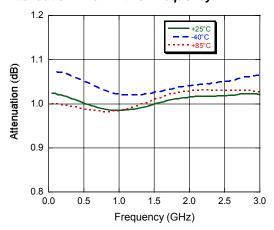
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Typical Performance Curves

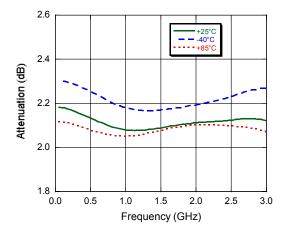
Reference Loss vs. Frequency



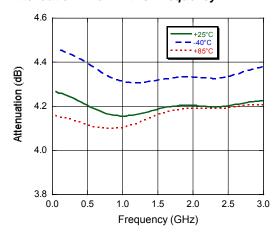
Attenuation - 1 dB Bit vs. Frequency



Attenuation - 2 dB Bit vs. Frequency



Attenuation - 4 dB Bit vs. Frequency



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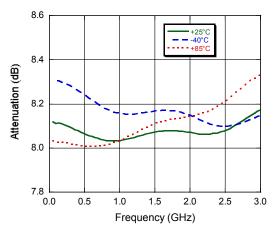


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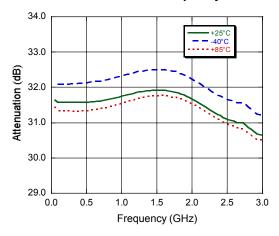
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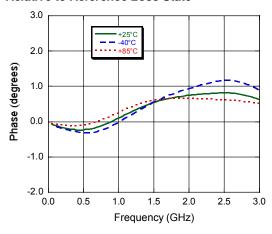
Attenuation - 8 dB Bit vs. Frequency



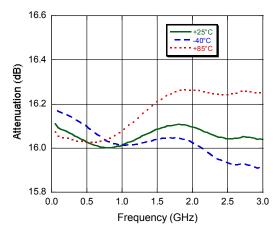
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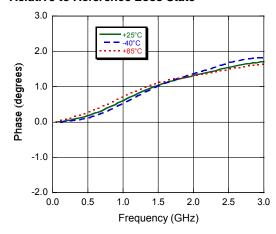
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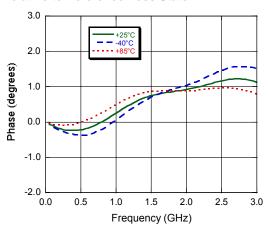
Attenuation - 16 dB Bit vs. Frequency



Phase - 1 dB Bit vs. Frequency Relative to Reference Loss State



Phase - 4 dB Bit vs. Frequency Relative to Reference Loss State



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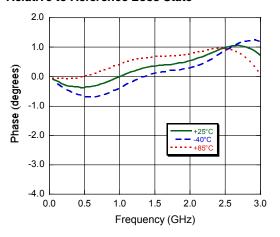


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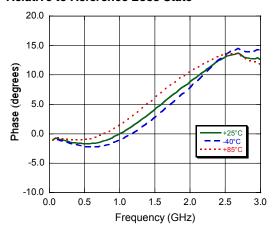
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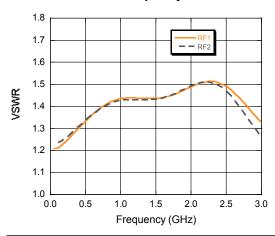
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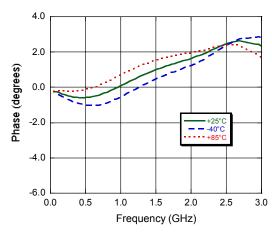
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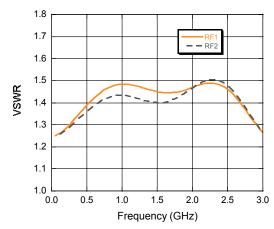
VSWR - 1 dB Bit vs. Frequency



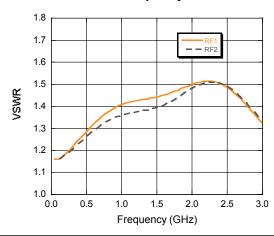
Phase - 16 dB Bit vs. Frequency Relative to Reference Loss State



VSWR vs. Frequency Relative to Reference Loss State



VSWR - 2 dB Bit vs. Frequency



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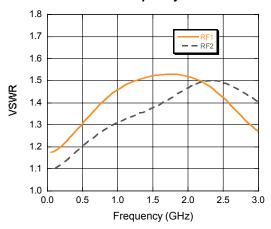


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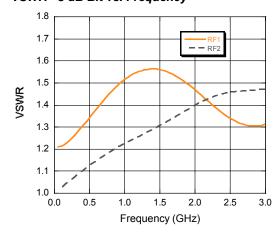
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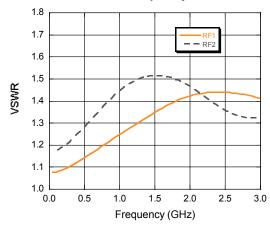
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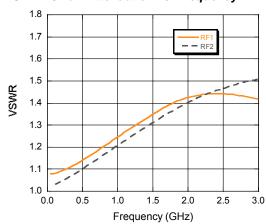
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VSWR - 16 dB Bit vs. Frequency



VSWR - 31 dB Attenuation vs. Frequency



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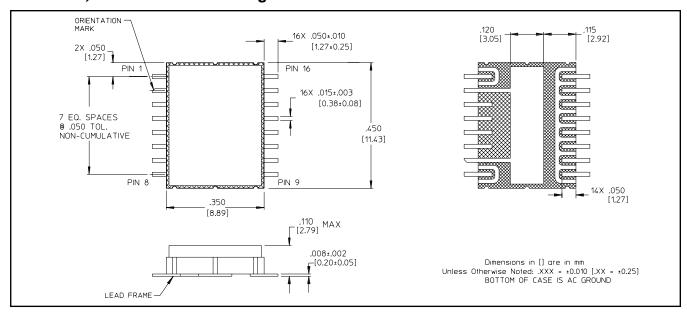
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Lead-Free, CR-12 Ceramic Package[†]



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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 devices.

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