

Wideband, Low Noise, Positive Gain Slope

Monolithic Amplifier

PMA-183PLN+

50Ω 6 to 18 GHz

The Big Deal

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- Excellent noise figure, 1.2 dB at 15 GHz
- Positive Gain Slope
- High Directivity, 33 dB typ.



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Product Overview

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Key Features

Feature	Advantages
High Directivity	With active directivity of 33 dB, the PMA-183PLN+ is an excellent choice for buffering broadband circuits, eliminating the need for an expensive isolator in most cases.
Positive Gain Slope vs. Frequency +0.21 dB/GHz (6-15 GHz) +0.55 dB/GHz (15-18 GHz)	Useful for compensating negative gain slope of most wideband microwave components and eliminating the need for equalization
Excellent Noise Figure up to 18 GHz 1.2dB Typ. at 18GHz	Enables lower system noise figure performance.
3.5 x 2.5mm 16-lead MCLP package	Tiny footprint saves space in dense layouts while providing low inductance, repeatable transitions, and excellent thermal contact to the PCB.



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Typical Applications

- Instrumentation
- Cellular Infrastructure
- Defense



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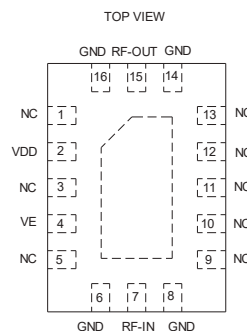
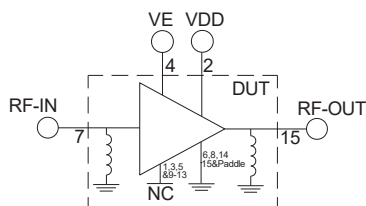
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General Description

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simplified schematic & pad description



Function	Pad Number	Description (See Figure 1)
VDD	2	Supply Voltage Pad, Connects to Vs via R1
VE	4	Enable Voltage Pad, Connects to VDD via R2
RF-IN	7	RF Input Pad, Connects to the input port
RF-OUT	15	RF Output Pad, Connects to the output port
NC	1,3,5 & 9-13	No connection to the die, Grounded on the test board
GROUND	6,8,14,16 & Paddle	Connects to ground on Test board

Electrical Specifications¹ at 25°C, unless noted

Parameter	Condition (MHz)	V _S =2.6V			Units
		Min.	Typ.	Max.	
Frequency Range		6		18	GHz
Gain	6000	22.9	25.5	27.9	dB
	10000	23.3	25.9	28.8	
	15000	24.6	27.3	30.1	
	18000		29.9		
Input Return Loss	6000		9		dB
	10000		14		
	15000		12		
	18000		11		
Output Return Loss	6000		10		dB
	10000		14		
	15000		25		
	18000		18		
Directivity	6000 - 18000		33		dB
Output Power at 1dB Compression ²	6000		9.7		dBm
	10000		8.0		
	15000		9.1		
	18000		10.1		
Output IP3	6000		26.2		dBm
	10000		20.1		
	15000		21.7		
	18000		21.8		
Noise Figure	6000		1.2		dB
	10000		1.1		
	15000		1.1		
	18000		1.2		
Device Operating Voltage (V _S)		2.3	2.6	2.9	V
Device Operating Current (I _{DD})		–	53	67	mA
Device Current Variation vs. Temperature ²			7.69		µA/°C
Device Current Variation vs. Voltage ³			0.04		mA/mV
Thermal Resistance, junction-to-ground lead			49.5		°C/W

1. Measured on Mini-Circuits Characterization Test Board TB-PMA-183PLN+. See Characterization Test & Application Circuit (Fig. 1)

2. Device Current Variation vs. Temperature= (Current in mA at 85°C - Current in mA at -45°C)/130°C

3. Device Current Variation vs. Voltage = (Current in mA at 2.9V – Current in mA at 2.3V) / ((2.9V- 2.3V)*1000 mA/mV)

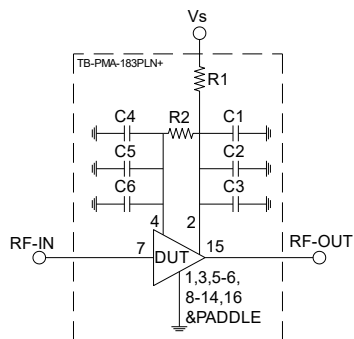
Absolute Maximum Ratings⁴

Parameter	Ratings
Operating Temperature (ground lead)	-40°C to 85°C
Storage Temperature	-65°C to 150°C
Junction Temperature	131°C
Total Power Dissipation	0.9W
Input Power (CW), V _S =2.6V	+24 dBm (5 minutes max.) +13 dBm (continuous)
DC Voltage on V _S	4V
DC Voltage on RF Ports (RF-IN & RF-OUT)	4V

4. Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded.
Electrical maximum ratings are not intended for continuous normal operation.



Characterization Test & Application Circuit



Component	Size	Value	Part Number	Manufacturer
C1,C4	0805	0.33uF	TAJR334K035RNJ	AVX
C2,C5	0603	1000pF	GCM1885C1H102JA16D	Murata
C3,C6	0402	100pF	GRM1555C1H101JA01D	Murata
R1	0603	100ohm	ESR03EZPF10R0	Rohm Semiconductor
R2	0402	4990hm	RN731ETTP4990B25	Koa Speer

Fig 1. Application and Characterization Circuit

Note: This block diagram is used for characterization. (DUT soldered on Mini-Circuits Characterization test board TB-PMA-183PLN+) Gain, Return loss, Output power at 1dB compression (P1dB), output IP3 (OIP3) and noise figure measured using Agilent's N5242A PNA-X microwave network analyzer.

Conditions:

1. Gain and Return loss: Pin= -25dBm
2. Output IP3 (OIP3): Two tones, spaced 1 MHz apart, 0 dBm/tone at output.

Product Marking



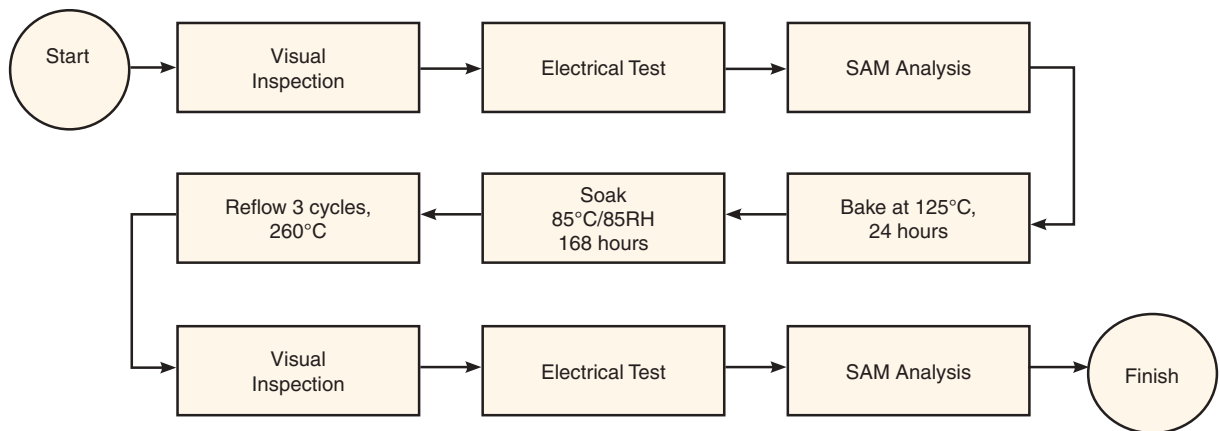
Marking may contain other features or characters for internal lot control

Additional Detailed Technical Information	
<i>additional information is available on our dash board. To access this information click here</i>	
Performance Data	Data Table
	Swept Graphs
	S-Parameter (S2P Files) Data Set (.zip file)
Case Style	JV2579 Plastic package, exposed paddle, lead finish: Matte-Tin Plate
Tape & Reel Standard quantities available on reel	F104 7" reels with 2K devices
Suggested Layout for PCB Design	PL-691
Evaluation Board	TB-PMA-183PLN+ & TB-PMA-183PLNC+
Environmental Ratings	ENV08T1

ESD Rating

Human Body Model (HBM): Class 1C (1000 to <2000V) in accordance with ANSI/ESD STM 5.1 - 2001

MSL Test Flow Chart



Additional Notes

- A. Performance and quality attributes and conditions not expressly stated in this specification document are intended to be excluded and do not form a part of this specification document.
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