# Low Noise Amplifier 20.0-36.0 GHz

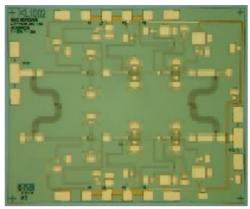
#### Features

- Balanced Design
- Excellent Input/Output Match
- Self-biased Architecture
- 23.0 dB Small Signal Gain
- 2.6 dB Noise Figure
- 100% On-Wafer RF, DC and Noise Figure Testing
- 100% Visual Inspection to MIL-STD-883 Method 2010
- RoHS\* Compliant and 260°C Reflow Compatible

### Description

M/A-COM Tech's three stage balanced 20.0-36.0 GHz GaAs MMIC low noise amplifier has a small signal gain of 23.0 dB with a noise figure of 2.6 dB across the band. This MMIC uses M/A-COM Tech'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 well suited for Millimeter-wave Point-to-Point Radio, LMDS, SATCOM and VSAT applications.

### Chip Device Layout



### **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

| Parameter                              | Absolute Max.     |
|--|-------------------|
| Supply Voltage (Vd)                    | +6.0 VDC          |
| Supply Current (Id)                    | 120 mA            |
| Input Power (Pin)                      | +15.0 dBm         |
| Storage Temperature (Tstg)             | -65 °C to +165 °C |
| Operating Temperature (Ta)             | -55 °C to +85 °C  |
| Channel Temperature (Tch) <sup>1</sup> | +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                          |  |  |
|----------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| XL1002-BD-000V | "V" - vacuum release<br>gel paks |  |  |
| XL1002-BD-EV1  | evaluation module                |  |  |

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### Electrical Specifications: 20-36 GHz (Ambient Temperature T = 25°C)

| Parameter                                     | Units | Min. | Тур.               | Max. |
|---|-------|------|--------------------|------|
| Input Return Loss (S11) <sup>2</sup>          | dB    | 8.0  | 10.0               | -    |
| Output Return Loss (S22) <sup>2</sup>         | dB    | 15.0 | 18.0               | -    |
| Small Signal Gain (S21) <sup>2</sup>          | dB    | 18.0 | 23.0               | -    |
| Gain Flatness (∆S21)                          | dB    | -    | +/-1.5             | -    |
| Reverse Isolation (S12) <sup>2</sup>          | dB    | 40.0 | 45.0               | -    |
| Noise Figure (NF) <sup>2</sup>                | dB    | -    | 2.6                | 4.0  |
| Output Power for 1dB Compression Point (P1dB) | dBm   | -    | +4.0 <sup>1</sup>  | -    |
| Output Third Order Intercept Point (OIP3)     | dBm   | -    | +16.0 <sup>1</sup> | -    |
| Drain Bias Voltage (V5)                       | VDC   | -    | +5.0               | +5.5 |
| Supply Current (Id)                           | mA    | -    | 85                 | 95   |

1. See plots for additional information.

2. Unless otherwise indicated min/max over 20.0-36.0 GHz and biased at Vd=5 V, Id=85 mA.

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#### Typical Performance Curves (On-Wafer<sup>1</sup>) XL1002-BD Vd=5.0 V, Id=83 mA XL1002-BD Vd=5.0 V, Id=83 mA 28 40 30 27 20 Gain & Reverse Isolation (dB) 26 10 25 0 **Gain (dB)** -10 -20 -30 22 -40 21 -50 20 -60 19 -70 18 -80 22.0 28.0 30.0 36.0 24.0 26.0 32.0 34.0 14.0 20.0 18.0 22.0 26.0 30.0 34.0 38.0 42.0 46.0 Frequency (GHz) Frequency (GHz) XL1002-BD Vd=5.0 V, Id=83 mA XL1002-BD Vd=5.0 V, Id=83 mA 0 0 -5 -5 -10 Input Return Loss (dB) Input Return Loss (dB) -10 -15 -15 -20 -25 -20 -30 -25 -35 -30 -40 -35 -45 22.0 24.0 28.0 30.0 32.0 36.0 14.0 18.0 26.0 30.0 34.0 20.0 26.0 34.0 22.0 38.0 42.0 46.0 Frequency (GHz) Frequency (GHz) XL1002-BD Vd=5.0 V, Id=83 mA XL1002-BD Vd=5.0 V, Id=83 mA 0 0 -5 -5 -10 Output Return Loss (dB) Output Return Loss (dB) -15 -10 -20 -25 -30 -15 -35 -20 -40 -45 -25 -50 -55 -30 -60 22.0 24.0 26.0 28.0 30.0 32.0 34.0 36.0 34.0 20.0 14.0 18.0 22.0 26.0 30.0 38.0 42.0 46.0 Frequency (GHz) Frequency (GHz)

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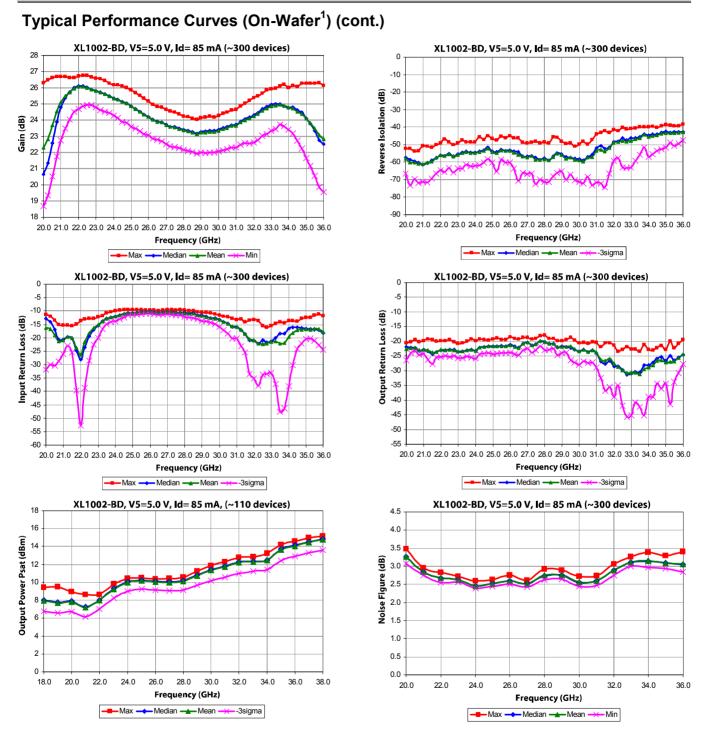
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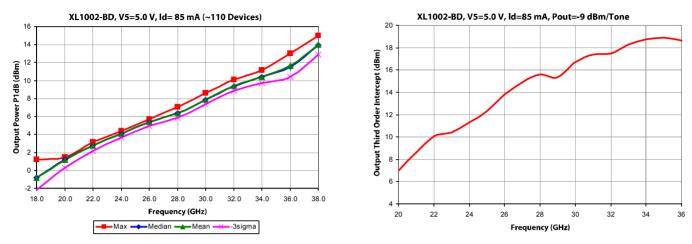
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### S-Parameters (On-Wafer<sup>1</sup>)

### Typcial S-Parameter Data for XL1002-BD

Vd=5.0 V, Id=83 mA

| Frequency | S11   | S11     | S21    | S21     | S12    | S12     | S22   | S22    |
|-----------|-------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|-------|--------|
| (GHz)     | (Mag) | (Ang)   | (Mag)  | (Ang)   | (Mag)  | (Ang)   | (Mag) | (Ang)  |
| 15.0      | 0.564 | -178.06 | 1.188  | -0.85   | 0.0020 | 147.49  | 0.184 | 68.29  |
| 16.0      | 0.525 | 163.99  | 2.314  | -58.87  | 0.0022 | 133.71  | 0.112 | 49.27  |
| 17.0      | 0.456 | 140.66  | 3.626  | -100.08 | 0.0020 | 112.54  | 0.038 | 32.34  |
| 18.0      | 0.316 | 109.41  | 5.986  | -139.81 | 0.0013 | 85.19   | 0.029 | 178.18 |
| 19.0      | 0.056 | 59.74   | 9.885  | 168.14  | 0.0012 | 85.72   | 0.075 | 168.57 |
| 20.0      | 0.093 | 163.76  | 12.918 | 114.84  | 0.0010 | 144.44  | 0.090 | 146.46 |
| 21.0      | 0.058 | -156.59 | 14.491 | 66.39   | 0.0018 | 140.58  | 0.093 | 144.99 |
| 22.0      | 0.160 | -143.70 | 15.112 | 25.32   | 0.0029 | 125.69  | 0.096 | 140.86 |
| 23.0      | 0.242 | -162.31 | 15.499 | -11.89  | 0.0031 | 110.27  | 0.085 | 134.01 |
| 24.0      | 0.281 | 176.38  | 15.248 | -47.77  | 0.0029 | 97.46   | 0.077 | 139.02 |
| 25.0      | 0.299 | 159.52  | 14.603 | -80.38  | 0.0031 | 65.70   | 0.087 | 143.92 |
| 26.0      | 0.298 | 145.31  | 13.982 | -109.27 | 0.0022 | 45.87   | 0.083 | 150.17 |
| 27.0      | 0.300 | 130.99  | 13.414 | -136.06 | 0.0016 | 16.85   | 0.099 | 152.13 |
| 28.0      | 0.310 | 113.94  | 13.037 | -161.27 | 0.0002 | 111.34  | 0.123 | 143.92 |
| 29.0      | 0.300 | 96.78   | 13.159 | 175.05  | 0.0011 | -5.16   | 0.127 | 139.80 |
| 30.0      | 0.288 | 75.52   | 13.717 | 151.93  | 0.0017 | -100.50 | 0.134 | 131.23 |
| 31.0      | 0.264 | 45.92   | 15.046 | 125.04  | 0.0033 | -129.95 | 0.136 | 119.99 |
| 32.0      | 0.243 | 6.28    | 16.970 | 98.07   | 0.0058 | -173.10 | 0.124 | 108.25 |
| 33.0      | 0.186 | -58.03  | 19.555 | 65.63   | 0.0082 | 171.61  | 0.092 | 112.48 |
| 34.0      | 0.182 | -153.97 | 20.286 | 27.29   | 0.0108 | 152.32  | 0.122 | 125.58 |
| 35.0      | 0.229 | 128.76  | 18.664 | -8.42   | 0.0125 | 130.81  | 0.167 | 108.67 |
| 36.0      | 0.248 | 72.56   | 16.858 | -42.32  | 0.0137 | 103.83  | 0.185 | 84.48  |
| 37.0      | 0.223 | 24.56   | 14.957 | -75.99  | 0.0149 | 74.05   | 0.173 | 55.66  |
| 38.0      | 0.151 | -13.76  | 12.471 | -110.66 | 0.0138 | 60.14   | 0.120 | 31.74  |
| 39.0      | 0.103 | -54.50  | 9.781  | -143.05 | 0.0120 | 35.11   | 0.070 | 10.04  |
| 40.0      | 0.055 | -103.89 | 7.306  | -171.68 | 0.0073 | 5.53    | 0.031 | 15.51  |
| 41.0      | 0.039 | -131.64 | 5.482  | 161.77  | 0.0072 | 16.95   | 0.024 | 65.20  |
| 42.0      | 0.039 | 165.29  | 3.987  | 137.96  | 0.0051 | -9.93   | 0.033 | 89.31  |
| 43.0      | 0.051 | 138.97  | 2.903  | 116.93  | 0.0042 | 49.71   | 0.036 | 80.11  |
| 44.0      | 0.067 | 118.55  | 2.036  | 95.48   | 0.0005 | -39.52  | 0.054 | 72.26  |
| 45.0      | 0.082 | 108.67  | 1.527  | 75.61   | 0.0024 | 47.48   | 0.054 | 59.12  |

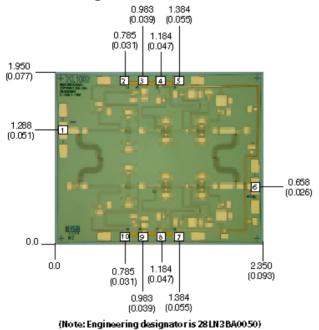
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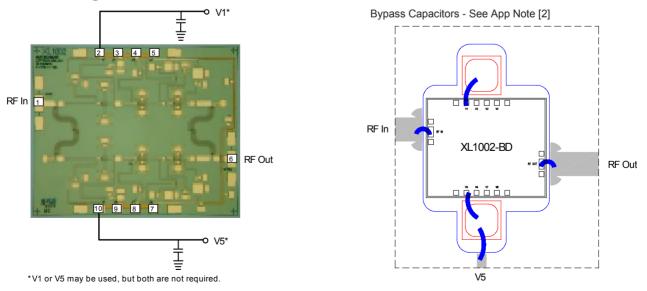
### **Mechanical Drawing**



Units: millimeters (inches) Bond pad dimensions are shown to center of bond pad. Thickness:0.115 +/- 0.010 (0.0045 +/- 0.0004), Backside is ground, Bond Pad/Backside Metallization:Gold All DC Bond Pads are 0.100 × 0.100 (0.004 × 0.004). All RF Bond Pads are 0.100 × 0.200 (0.004 × 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: 2.838 mg.

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|---------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Bond Pad #1 (RF In) | Bond Pad #4 (V3)     | Bond Pad #7 (V8)  |
| Bond Pad #2 (V1)    | Bond Pad #5 (V4)     | Bond Pad #8 (V7)  |
| Bond Pad #3 (V2)    | Bond Pad #6 (RF Out) | Bond Pad #9 (V6)  |
|                     |                      | Bond Pad #10 (V5) |

#### **Bias Arrangement**



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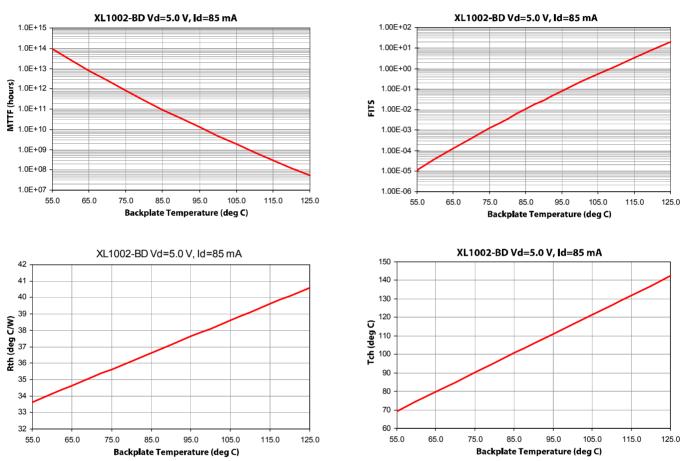
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#### **MTTF Graphs**

These numbers were calculated based upon accelerated life test information received from the fabricating foundry and extensive thermal modeling/finite element analysis done at M/A-COM Tech. The values shown here are only to be used as a guideline against the end application requirements and only represent reliability information under one bias condition. Ultimately bias conditions and resulting power dissipation along with the practical aspects, i.e. thermal material stack-up, attach method of device placement are the key parts in determining overall reliability for a specific application, see previous pages. If the data shown below does not meet your reliability requirements or if the bias conditions are not within your operating limits please contact technical sales for additional information.



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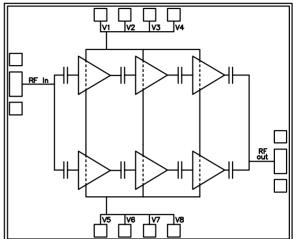
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**App Note [1] Biasing -** As shown in the bonding diagram, this device operates using a self-biased architecture and only requires a single bias voltage. All DC pads (V1 through V8) are tied together on-chip, even though V1 or V5 are shown as main connections, any of the eight DC pads may be used to bias the device. Bias is nominally V1 or V5=5V, Id=85 mA.

**App Note [2] Bias Arrangement -** The DC pad at the top (V1) should be connected to one DC bypass capacitor (~100-200 pf) and the DC pad at the bottom (V5) should be connected using another DC bypass capacitor (~100-200 pf). Additional DC bypass capacitance (~0.01 pf) is also recommended. Capacitance should be as close to the device as possible.



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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 class 2 devices.

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