29–32 GHz Surface Mount Medium Power Amplifier

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AA032P1-A4

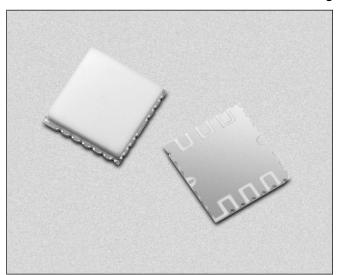
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Features

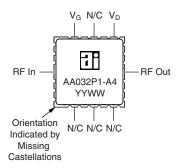
- Surface Mount Package
- 11 dB Gain
- 24 dBm P_{1 dB} Output Power
- 100% DC and RF Testing

Description

The AA032P1-A4 is a broadband millimeterwave medium power amplifier in a rugged surface mount package that is compatible with high-volume solder installation. The amplifier is designed for use in millimeterwave communication and sensor systems as an output stage or driver in the transmit chain or LO chain when high gain and high linearity is required. The robust ceramic surface mount package provides excellent electrical performance and a high degree of environmental protection for long-term reliability. All amplifiers are screened at the operating frequencies prior to shipment for guaranteed performance. Amplifier is targeted for high-volume millimeterwave applications such as point-to-point and point-to-multipoint wireless communications systems and satellite communication systems.



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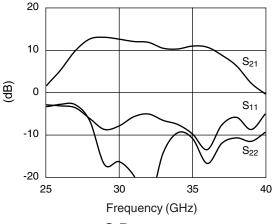


Electrical Specifications at 25°C ($V_D = 6 \text{ V}$, $V_G = -1 \text{ V}$)

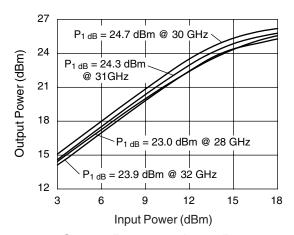
Parameter	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
Bandwidth	BW	29		32	GHz
Small Signal Gain ¹	G	9	11		dB
Output Power at 1 dB Gain Compression ²	P _{1 dB}	23	24		dBm
Input Return Loss ⁴	RLi		9		dB
Output Return Loss ⁴	RLO		7		dB
Temperature Coefficient of Gain ⁴	dG/dT		-0.038		dB/C
Drain Current ³	I _D		400	450	mA

- 1. Small signal gain over entire bandwidth is measured on 100% of parts.
- 2. Output power P_{1 dB} is measured at 31 GHz on 100% of parts.
- 3. Drain current is measured on 100% of parts.
- 4. Not measured on 100% of parts.

Typical Performance Data ($V_D = 6 V$, $V_G = -1 V$)



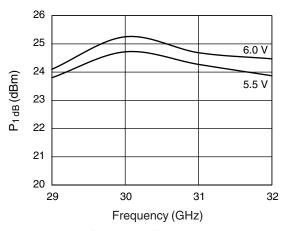




Output Power vs. Input Power

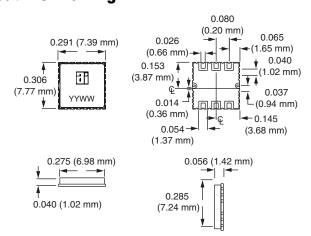
20 10 -55°C +85°C +25°C -10 -20 27 29 31 33 35 Frequency (GHz)

Gain vs. Temperature



P_{1 dB} vs. Frequency

Outline Drawing



Absolute Maximum Ratings

Characteristic	Value		
Operating Temperature (T _C)	-55°C to +85°C		
Storage Temperature (T _{ST})	-65°C to +125°C		
Bias Voltage (V _D)	7 V _{DC}		
Power In (P _{IN})	22 dBm		

Typical S-Parameters at 25°C ($V_D = 6 V$, $V_G = -1 V$)

Frequency (GHz)	S ₁₁		S ₂₁		S ₁₂		S ₂₂	
	Mag. (dB)	Ang. (Deg.)						
10	-0.5	-94	-35.3	4	-61.1	-114	-0.5	44
12	-0.7	-158	-50.8	-154	-51.1	176	-0.3	0
14	-1.0	111	-56.9	100	-55.0	99	-0.4	-37
16	-1.3	39	-43.2	83	-43.0	84	-0.9	-96
18	-0.8	-36	-40.3	31	-45.1	8	-1.3	-147
20	-0.6	-109	-29.3	17	-39.2	62	-1.1	166
22	-1.0	-165	-15.8	-76	-52.1	41	-2.1	104
24	-2.4	77	-3.6	171	-38.7	-48	-3.3	-3
25	-2.8	-7	1.4	106	-46.4	-65	-3.3	-55
26	-3.1	-75	5.3	43	-39.8	-37	-2.7	-105
27	-3.5	-136	9.8	-24	-32.0	-75	-2.8	-152
28	-6.1	159	12.7	-104	-28.7	-156	-6.7	162
29	-8.7	121	13.1	179	-28.4	132	-17.0	145
30	-7.8	60	12.6	111	-28.0	77	-16.3	-177
31	-5.7	1	12.1	51	-28.6	22	-19.6	177
32	-5.0	-52	11.9	-13	-28.4	-23	-26.1	118
33	-6.6	-86	10.5	-71	-28.9	-66	-14.2	14
34	-7.5	-129	10.3	-124	-27.7	-114	-9.4	-10
35	-9.8	167	11.0	178	-26.9	-177	-10.8	-39
36	-13.4	143	10.7	111	-26.1	123	-16.7	-114
37	-7.6	163	8.8	39	-26.1	65	-11.9	149
38	-5.8	129	6.3	-25	-23.7	25	-10.7	99
39	-8.7	77	2.2	-87	-21.4	-16	-11.5	47
40	-4.8	23	-0.4	-141	-19.8	-72	-9.2	9

Biasing

For biasing on, adjust V_G from 0 to approximately -1 V. Adjust V_D from 0 to desired value (5 V–6 V recommended). Adjust V_G to achieve desired I_D (400 mA recommended). For biasing off, reverse the biasing on procedure.

Alpha-2™ Surface Mount Package Handling and Mounting

Millimeterwave components require careful mounting design to maintain optimal performance. The Alpha- 2^{TM} surface mount package (patent pending) provides a rugged and repeatable electrical connection using standard solder techniques.

The -A4 package is one of several parts in the Alpha- 2^{TM} surface mount package family.

Handling

The -A4 surface mount package is very rugged. However, due to ceramic's brittle nature, one should exercise care when handling with metal tools. Do not apply heavy pressure to the lid. Vacuum tools may be used to pick and place this part.

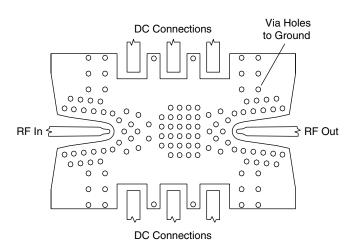
Only personnel trained in both ESD precautions and handling precautions should be allowed to handle these packages.

Package Construction

The -A4 surface mount package consists of a base and a lid. The package base is ceramic with filled vias and plated castellations. The package lid is unplated alumina. The lid seal is epoxy.

Mounting Design

The -A4 surface mount package is installed on top of a printed circuit board on a specially designed footprint.

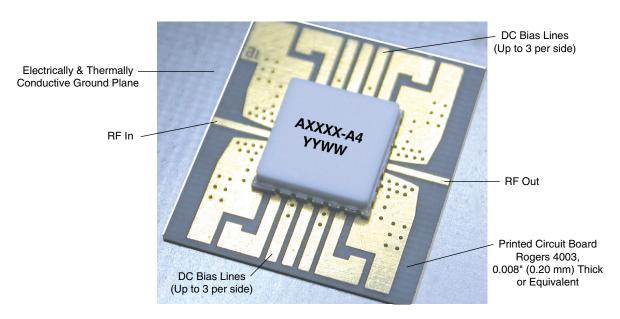


Footprint Geometry for -A4 Surface Mount Package.

Mounting footprint geometry for the -A4 package will be supplied by Alpha Industries in electronic format upon request.

Mounting the Package

The -A4 surface mount package is compatible with high-volume surface mount installation using solder. RF and DC connections are accomplished with metallized edge castellations that hold solder fillets. Ground connections are accomplished by both metallized edge castellations and filled vias to the bottom of the package. Care should be taken to ensure that there are no voids or gaps in the solder so that good RF, DC and ground contact is maintained.



-A4 Surface Mount Package Installation.