

GaAs MMIC Digital Attenuator Chip, DC-50GHz

Performance characteristics

Frequency range: DC-50GHz Insertion loss: 3.1dB typ

Attenuation range: 0.5~15.5dB

Bit Count: 5 digits

Attenuation accuracy (RMS): 0.35dB

Power supply voltage: -5V Control voltage: 0/+5V 500hm input/output

Chip size: 1.72 x 1.37 x 0.1mm

Product Introduction

GDA-0050-5C-PD is a GaAs MMIC 5-bit Digital attenuator chip, with a frequency range of DC~50GHz, insertion loss of 3.1dB, switching speed of 50ns, integrated driver inside the chip, and 0/+5V control. The chip through-hole metallization process ensures good grounding, and the back is metallized, suitable for eutectic sintering or conductive adhesive bonding processes.

| Usage restriction parameter ¹ | | | |
|--|--------------|--|--|
| Power supply voltage range | -6V | | |
| Control voltage range | -0.5V~+5.5V | | |
| Maximum input power | +27dBm | | |
| working temperature | -55 ~ +85°C | | |
| Storage temperature | -65 ~ +150°C | | |

[1] Exceeding any of the above maximum limits may result in permanent damage.

| Electrical parameters(Ta=+25°C, VEE=-5V, 0/+5V Control) | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------|--|--|
| Index | Minimum value | Typical value | Maximum value | Unit | | |
| Frequency range | | GHz | | | | |
| Insertion loss | - | dB | | | | |
| Attenuation range | 0.5-15.5 | | | dB | | |
| Attenuation step | 0.5 | | | dB | | |
| Attenuation number | 5 | | | bite | | |
| Attenuation accuracy (all frequency bands) | - | - | ±1.0 | dB | | |
| Attenuation accuracy RMS | - | 0.35 | - | dB | | |
| Additional phase shift | - | - | -0.6 ~ +25.5 | degree | | |
| Input return loss | - | 20 | - | dB | | |
| Output Return Loss | - | 20 | - | dB | | |

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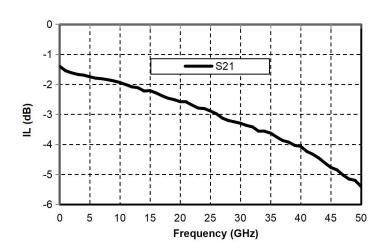


| Switching speed | - | 50 | - | ns |
|-----------------|---|----|---|-----|
| P-1dB | - | 22 | - | dBm |
| Current | - | 10 | - | mA |

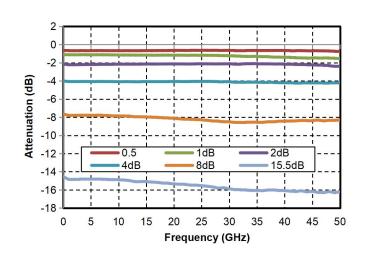
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Main indicator testing curve

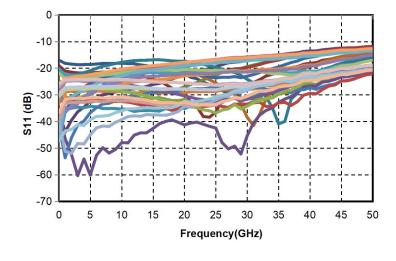
Insertion loss vs. Frequency



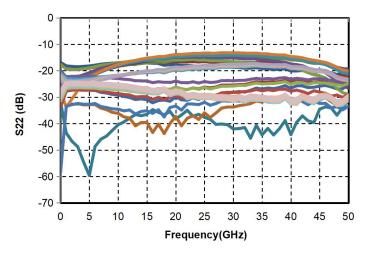
Reference attenuation state vs. Frequency



Input echo vs. Frequency



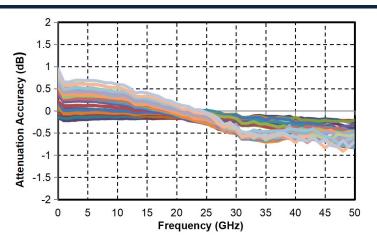
Output echo vs. Frequency

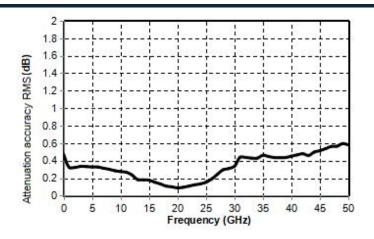


Attenuation accuracy vs. Frequency

Attenuation accuracy RMS vs. Frequency

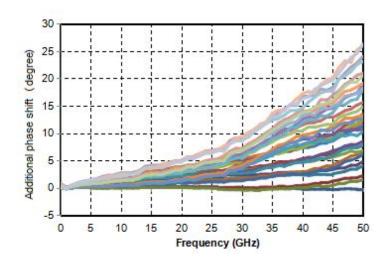




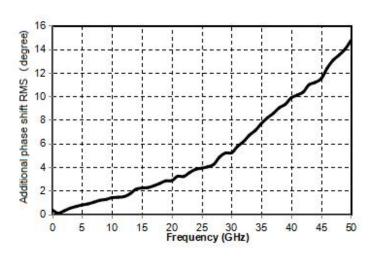


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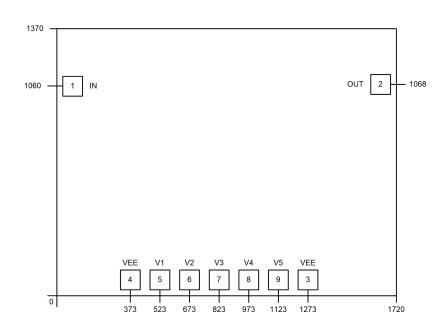
Additional phase shift vs. Frequency



Additional phase shift RMS vs.Frequency



External structure²





[2] The units in the figure are all micrometers. (Boundary dimension tolerance: ± 100 um.)

| Definition of bonding pressure point | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------|---|--|
| Bond point number | Functional | Function Description | |
| | symbols | | |
| 1 | RF1 | The signal input terminal is externally connected to a 50 ohm circuit, and there is no integrated DC isolation capacitor inside the chip | |
| 2 | RF2 | The signal output terminal is externally connected to a 50 ohm circuit, and there is no integrated DC isolation capacitor inside the chip | |
| 3、4 | VEE | Chip power port | |
| 5~9 | VC | Attenuation control pads, refer to the truth table for attenuation control | |
| Chip bottom | GND | The bottom of the chip needs to have sufficient and good contact with RF and DC ground | |

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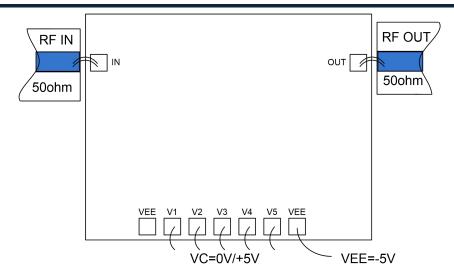
| V1 | V2 | V3 | V4 | V5 | VEE | Conduction pathway |
|-----|-----------|-----|-----|-------------------------------------|-------|--|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -5V | Initial state N=0: attenuation amount is 0 |
| +5V | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 0 -5V | 0 -5V | Attenuation state N=1: Attenuation |
| +34 | O | | | | | amount is 0.5 |
| 0 | +5V | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 -5V | Attenuation state N=2: Attenuation |
| 0 | +3V | | | O | | amount is 1 |
| 0 | 0 | +5V | 0 | 0 | 0 -5V | Attenuation state N=4: Attenuation |
| 0 | | | | U | | amount is 2 |
| 0 | 0 0 +5V 0 | 0 | +5V | 0 -5V | 5\/ | Attenuation state N=8: Attenuation |
| 0 | | | | | U | -50 |
| 0 | 0 0 0 +5\ | +5V | -5V | Attenuation state N=16: Attenuation | | |
| U | U | 0 0 | U | 137 | -50 | amount is 8 |

Suggested assembly diagram

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Connect the VEE on one side and control the solder pads without the need for external resistors.

Precautions for use

- The chip needs to be stored in a container with anti-static function and stored in a nitrogen environment.
- Attempting to clean the surface of bare chips using wet chemical methods is prohibited.
- Please strictly comply with ESD protection requirements to avoid static damage to bare chips.
- Routine operation: Please use precision pointed tweezers to remove the bare chip. During the operation, avoid tools or fingers touching the surface of the chip.
- Suggestion for mounting operation: Bare chip installation can use AuSn solder eutectic sintering or conductive adhesive bonding process. The installation surface must be clean and flat.
- Sintering process: It is recommended to use AuSn solder sheets with a gold tin ratio of 80/20. The working surface temperature reached 255 °C, and the tool (vacuum chuck) temperature reached 265 °C. When a high-temperature mixed gas (nitrogen to hydrogen ratio of 90/10) is blown onto the chip, the temperature at the top of the tool should be raised to 290 °C. Do not let the chip stay above 320 °C for more than 20 seconds. The friction time should not exceed 3 seconds.
- Bonding process: The amount of conductive adhesive applied should be as small as possible. After placing
 the chip in the installation position, the conductive adhesive can be vaguely visible around it. Please follow
 the information provided by the conductive adhesive manufacturer for curing conditions.
- Suggestion for bonding operation: Both spherical or wedge-shaped bonding should be used Φ 0.025mm (1mil) gold wire. Thermal ultrasonic bonding temperature is 150 °C. The pressure of the spherical bonding cutter is 40-50GF, and the pressure of the wedge bonding cutter is 18-22GF. Use as little ultrasonic energy as possible. The bonding process starts at the pressing point on the chip and ends at the packaging (or substrate).

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