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Datasheet SHF 801 P Broadband Amplifier







Specifications

Parameter	Symbol	Unit	Min	Тур	Max	Conditions
High frequency 3 dB point	f _{HIGH}	GHz	58	62		
High frequency 6 dB point			62	64		
Low frequency 3 dB point	f _{LOW}	kHz			15	inverting
Gain		dB	7	8	9	
Gain control voltage		V	0		-5	reduces by up to 3 dB
Gain ripple		dB		±1	±1.5	
Output power at 1 dB compression	P _{01dB}	dBm (V)	9 (1.8) 11 (2.2)			<5 GHz <40 GHz
Output power at 2 dB compression	P _{02dB}	dBm (V)	10 (2) 12 (2.5)			<5 GHz <40 GHz
Output power at 3 dB compression	P _{03dB}	dBm (V)	11 (2.2) 13 (2.8)			<5 GHz <40 GHz
Jitter		fs		450	600 500	on scope display deconvoluted in the output range between 12 V
Input return loss	S ₁₁	dB		8 7	7 6	<50 GHz <65 GHz
Output return loss	S ₂₂	dB			5 10 6	<3 GHz <50 GHz <65 GHz
Maximum input power		dBm			8 13	in operation without power supply
Rise time/fall time	t _r /t _f	ps		6	8	20%80%
Supply voltage		V	5.2		9	0.13 A, reverse voltage protected
Power consumption		W	0.68			using 5.2 V supply voltage
Input connector						V female
Output connector						V female
Dimensions		mm				51x35x13.5 excluding connectors

The SHF 801 P is ideal for use as a preamplifier for extremely high bandwidth devices, e.g. photodiodes, spectrum analyzers, network anlyzers, test equipment, etc.

A single stage amplifier design is employed using special monolithic microwave integrated circuits (MMICs) inside special carriers to achieve ultra wide bandwidth and low noise performance. The custom made MMIC carrier is optimized for good input return loss between its interior and the 50 Ω outside hybrid technology. The computer optimized broadband circuit is designed for minimum pass band ripple. A voltage regulator IC makes the amplifier insensitive to reverse voltage and line ripple.

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S-Parameters, group delay and phase response at maximum gain



Aperture of Group Delay measurement: 100 MHz

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Input signal amplitude: 207 mV

Output signal amplitude: 503 mV

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Eye diagrams at 2.5 GBit/s



Output signal amplitude: 532 mV

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Jitter measurements at 44 GBit/s

Measured with 50 GHz sampling module and standard timebase.



Jitter: 812 fs

Jitter: 939 fs

Measured with 63 GHz sampling module and precision timebase.



Jitter: 299 fs



The specification for jitter is based on the measurement using the 63 GHz sampling module and precision time base. The figure of <600 fs is **not** deconvoluted from the total system jitter; it is the figure displayed on the oscilloscope for the whole system (multiplexer, amplifier, sampling head and oscilloscope).

To deconvolute the jitter, we use the following formula:

amplifier jitter = $[(total jitter)^2 - (input signal jitter)^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}$

This yields a jitter value of <500 fs.

It is taken at an output level between 1 and 2 V. Using a standard time base and 50 GHz sampling module, we specify a maximum jitter figure of 1ps.

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Rise/Fall times



1.5 V output from SHF 801



Rise time: 10.44 ps

Measured from 20% to 80%

Rise time: 10.44 ps

Low frequency response (<1 MHz)



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Top (red): 3 dB compression; Middle (green): 2 dB compression; Bottom (blue): 1 dB compression



Gain reduction function

All SHF amplifiers have a feature which allows the output gain to be reduced by up to approximately 3dB by applying a negative voltage to the gain reduction pin.

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Available Options

- 01: DC return on input
- 02: Built-in bias tee on input
- 03: DC return on output
- 04: Built-in bias tee on output

MP: Matches the phase of two amplifiers

The following options cannot be combined: 01 and 02 03 and 04 02 and 04



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User Instructions

ATTENTION !

Electrostatic sensitive GaAs FET amplifier

- 1. To prevent damage through static charge build up, cables should be always discharged before connecting them to the amplifier!
- 2. The supply voltage can be taken from any regular 5.2...9 V, 0.13 A DC power supply and can be connected to the supply feedthrough filter via an ON/OFF switch.
- 3. The minimum supply voltage is 5.2 V. A higher one increases the power dissipation of the internal voltage stabilizer.
- 4. Using a 3 dB or 6 dB input attenuator will result in a 6 dB or 12 dB increase of the input return loss. For minimal degradation of amplifier rise time, these attenuators should have a bandwidth specification of greater than 65 GHz (V/1.85mm attenuators)!
- 5. An input signal of about 1.6 V_{pp} (equivalent to 8 dBm) will produce a saturated output swing of $2.8V_{pp}$.
- 6. Higher input voltages will drive the output stage of the amplifier into saturation, leading to waveform peak clipping.
- 7. The input voltage should never be greater than 1.6 V_{pp} equivalent to 8 dBm input power. The input voltage without DC power supplied to the amplifier should never be greater than 2.8 V_{pp} (equivalent to 13 dBm input power).

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