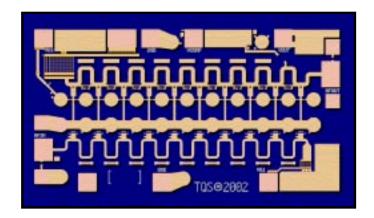


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DC - 35 GHz Wideband Amplifier

TGA4832



Product Description

The TriQuint TGA4832 is a medium power wideband AGC amplifier which operates from DC to 35 GHz. Typical small signal gain is 12dB and typical input and output return losses are >10dB. The TGA4832 provides 18 dBm of output power at 1 dB gain compression.

Drain bias may be applied through the output port for best efficiency or through the on-chip drain termination. Two stages in cascade demonstrate 3.8Vpp output voltage swing with 350mV at the input when stimulated with 40Gb/s 2^31-1prbs NRZ data. RF ports are DC coupled enabling the user to customize system corner frequencies. The TGA4832 requires off-chip decoupling and blocking components.

The TGA4832 is suitable for a variety of wideband electronic warfare systems such as radar warning receivers, electronic counter measures, decoys, and jammers. It is also an excellent choice for 40Gb/s NRZ applications. The TGA4832 is capable of driving an Electro-Absorptive optical Modulator (EAM) with electrical Non-Return to Zero (NRZ) data. In addition, the TGA4832 may also be used as a predriver or a receive gain block.

Bond pad and backside metallization is gold plated for compatibility with eutectic alloy attachment methods as well as the thermocompression and thermosonic wire bonding processes. Each device is 100% DC and RF tested on-wafer to ensure performance compliance. The device is available in die form.

Key Features and Performance

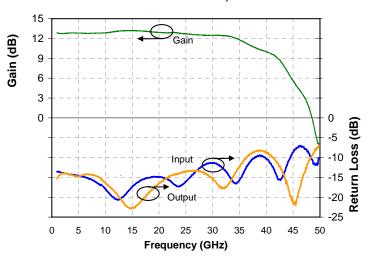
- Frequency Range: DC to 35GHz Linear
- 40Gb/s Optical Modulator Driver
- 12dB Small Signal Gain
- 17 dBm Typical Output Power (4Vpp)
- < 15ps Edge Rates
- 4Vpp 40Gb/s NRZ PRBS Linear
- 0.15um pHEMT Technology
- Bias: Vd = 5V, Id = 135 mA
- Chip Size: 1.79 x 1.00 x 0.1 mm (0.070 x 0.039 x 0.004 in)

Primary Applications

- Test Equipment
- Ultra Wideband
- 40Gb/s NRZ EAM Driver
- 40Gb/s NRZ Predriver or Gain Block

Measured Performance

Bias Conditions: Vd = 5V, Id = 135mA



Note: This device is early in the characterization process prior to finalizing all electrical specifications. Specifications are subject to change without notice



TABLE I MAXIMUM RATINGS 1/

| SYMBOL | PARAMETER | Biased thru On-chip Drain Termination | Biased thru the RF Output Port using a Bias Tee | NOTES |
|------------------|---|--|---|------------------------|
| | POSITIVE SUPPLY VOLTAGE | Vd ≤6V | Vd ≤6V | <u>2</u> /, <u>3</u> / |
| | POSITIVE SUPPLY CURRENT | ld ≤ 135 mA | ld ≤ 135 mA | <u>3</u> / |
| | POWER DISSIPATION | 1.3 W | 0.7 W | <u>3</u> /, <u>4</u> / |
| | NEGATIVE GATE | | | |
| Vg | Voltage Range | +1V to -3 V | | |
| lg | Gate Current | 10 mA | | |
| | CONTROL GATE | | | |
| Vctrl | Voltage Range | Vd/2 to | –3V | <u>5</u> / |
| Ictl | Gate Current | 10 m | A | |
| | RF INPUT | | | |
| P _{IN} | Sinusoidal Continuous Wave Power | TBD | | |
| Vin | 40 Gb/s PRBS Input Voltage Peak to Peak | TBD | | |
| T _{CH} | OPERATING CHANNEL TEMPERATURE | 117 °C | | 6/ |
| T _M | MOUNTING TEMPERATURE (30 SECONDS) | 320 °C | | |
| T _{STG} | STORAGE TEMPERATURE | -65 to 11 | 17 ºC | |

Notes:

- 1/ These ratings represent the maximum operable values for the device.
- 2/ Assure Vd Vctrl ≤ 8 V. Compute Vd as follows, Vd = V+ Id*40
- 3/ Combinations of supply voltage, supply current, input power, and output power shall not exceed P_D.
- 4/ When operated at this power dissipation with a base plate temperature of 70°C, the median life is 1 E+6 hours.
- 5/ Assure Vctrl never exceeds Vd during bias up and down sequences. Also, assure Vctrl never exceeds 5V during normal operation.
- 6/ Junction operating temperature will directly affect the device median time to failure (MTTF). For maximum life, it is recommended that junction temperatures be maintained at the lowest possible levels.



TABLE II DC PROBE TEST

 $(T_A = 25 \, ^{\circ}C, Nominal)$

| SYMBOL | PARAMETER | MINIMUM | MAXIMUM | UNIT |
|------------------|-----------------------|---------|---------|------|
| I _{max} | Maximum Drain Current | 45 | 603 | mA |
| V_p | Pinch-off Voltage | -1 | 0 | V |
| G_{m} | Transconductance | 180 | 630 | V |

TABLE III RF CHARACTERIZATION TABLE

 $(T_A = 25^{\circ}C \text{ Nominal})$

| NOTE | TEST | MEASUREMENT CONDITIONS | VALUE | | UNITS | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-------|------|-------|-----|
| | | | MIN | TYP | MAX | |
| | SMALL SIGNAL BW | | | 35 | | GHz |
| <u>1</u> /, <u>2</u> / | SMALL-SIGNAL GAIN MAGNITUDE | 100KHz thru 30GHz | | 12 | | dB |
| <u>1</u> /, <u>2</u> / | GAIN FLATNESS | 100KHz thru 30GHz | | +/-1 | | dB |
| <u>1</u> /, <u>2</u> / | INPUT RETURN LOSS MAGNITUDE | 100KHz thru 30GHz | | 10 | | dB |
| <u>1</u> /, <u>2</u> / | OUTPUT RETURN LOSS MAGNITUDE | 100KHz thru 30GHz | | 10 | | dB |
| | OUTPUT POWER AT P1dB | 100KHz thru 30GHz | | 18 | | dBm |
| <u>3</u> /, <u>4</u> / | AMPLITUDE | 40Gb/s NRZ | | 4 | | Vpp |

Notes:

- 1/ Verified at die level on-wafer probe (future requirement, data is not currently available).
- 2/ Small Signal S-Parameter RF Probe Bias: Vd = 5 V, Vctrl=float, adjust Vg to achieve Id=135mA
- 3/ Verified by design, MMIC assembled onto evaluation platform detailed on page 8.
- 4/ Vd=5V, VCTRL=Float, and VG adjusted for Id=135mA.



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TABLE IV THERMAL INFORMATION*

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | T _{CH} (°C) | R _{θJC} (°C/W) | T _M (HRS) |
|--|--|----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| R _{NJC} Thermal Resistance (channel to backside of carrier) | $Vds = 2.5 V^*$ $I_D = 135 \text{ mA}$ Pdiss = 0.34 W | 92 | 64 | 1.5 E+7 |

^{*} Vds = 2.5V across common gate or common source FET in cascode pair.

Note: Assumes eutectic attach using 1.5 mil 80/20 AuSn mounted to a 20 mil CuMo Carrier at 70°C baseplate temperature. Worst case condition with no RF applied, 100% of DC power is dissipated. Thermal transfer is conducted thru the bottom of the TGA4832 into the mounting carrier. Design the mounting interface to assure adequate thermal transfer to the base plate.

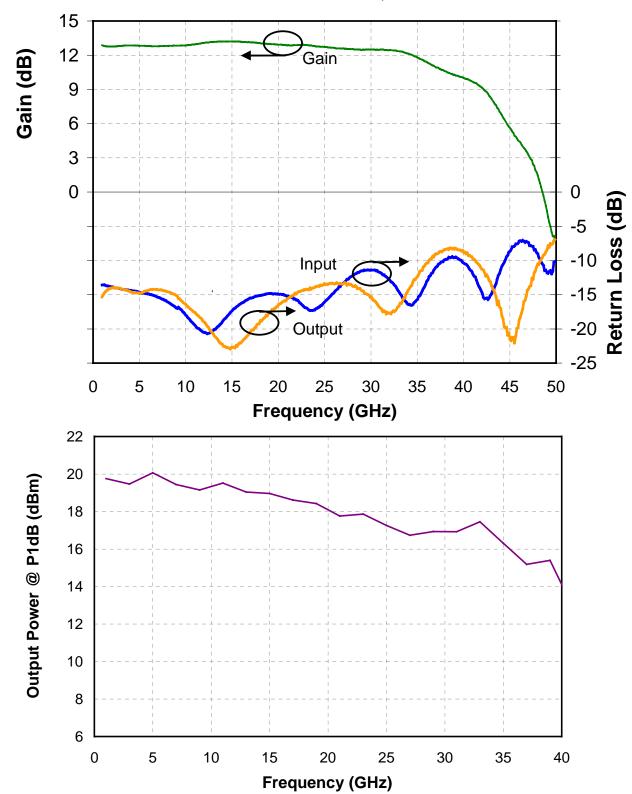


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Measured Fixtured Data

Bias Conditions: Vd = 5V, Id= 135mA

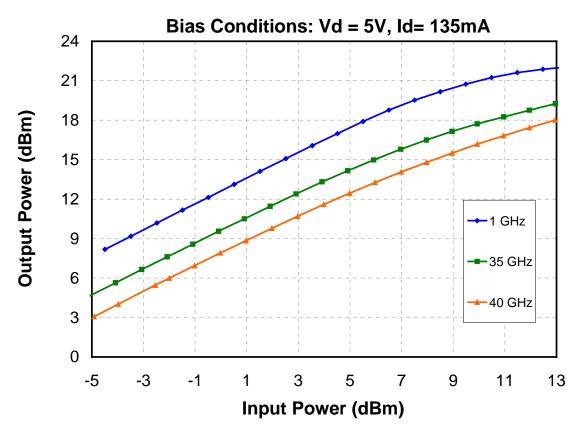




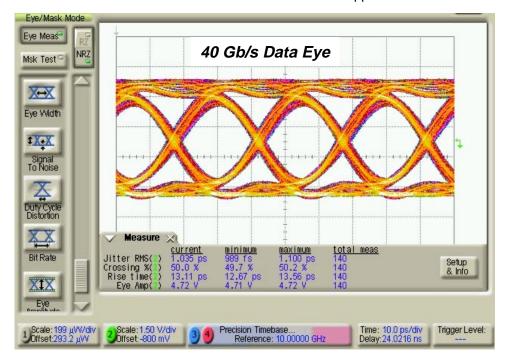
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Measured Fixtured Data



40Gb/s NRZ 2^31-1 PRBS Vin=1.8Vpp.





Bias Procedure for V+ = 10.4 V Operation Fiber Optic Applications

Bias ON

- 1. Disable the PPG
- 2. Set Vg=-1V
- 3. Set Vctrl = 2.2V (if appliable)
- 4. Increase V+ to 7V observing Id.
 - Assure Id increased to between 10 and 100mA
- 5. Raise V+ to 10.4V
 - Id should still be between 10 and 100mA
- 6. Make Vg more positive until Id=135mA.
 - Typical value for Vg is -0.3V
- 7. Enable the PPG

Bias OFF

- 1. Disable the output of the PPG
- 2. Set Vctrl = 0V (if appliable)
- 3. Set V+=0V
- 4. Set Vg=0V

Note: Assure Vctrl never exceeds Vd during Bias ON and Bias OFF sequences and during normal operation.

Bias Procedure @ Vd = 5V Operation

- 1. Bias Conditions: Vd = 5.0 V, Id = 135 mA
- 2. Adjust Vg for Id = 135 mA
- 3. Adjust Vctrl for Gain and Eye crossing control. Vctrl bias is optional
- 4. Positive or negative gate bias may be required to achieve recommended operating point:- 0.5 V < Vg < + 0.5 V

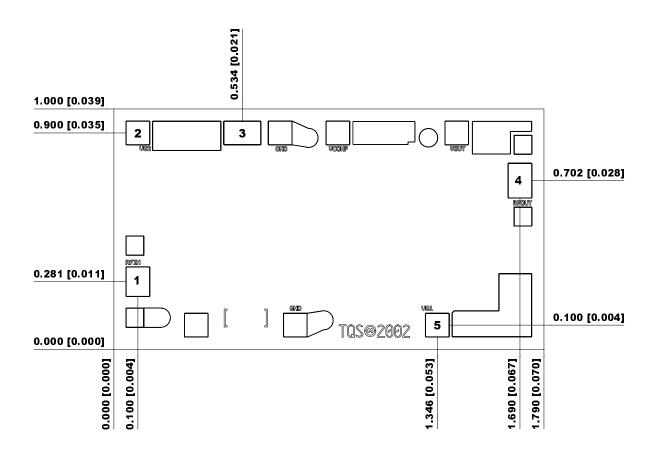
Note: +5V Bias operation requires a bias tee



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Mechanical Drawing



Units: millimeters (inches)

Thickness: 0.100 (0.004) (reference only)

Chip edge to bond pad dimensions are shown to center of pad

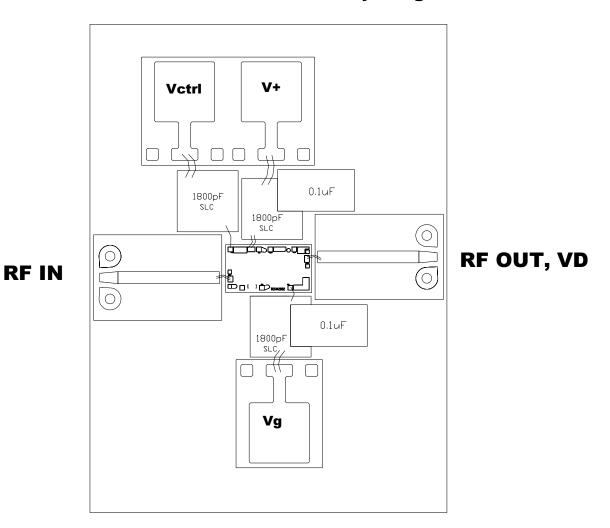
Chip size tolerance: +/- 0.051 (0.002)

GND IS BACKSIDE OF MMIC

| Bond Pad #1: | RF In | 0.100 x 0.125 [0.0039 x 0.0049] |
|--------------|--------------------|---|
| Bond Pad #2: | Vctrl | 0.100 x 0.100 [0.0039 x 0.0039] |
| Bond Pad #3: | V+ | 0.100 x 0.156 [0.0039 x 0.0061] |
| Bond Pad #4: | RF Out/Vd (RF Out) | 0.100 x 0.145 [0.0039 x 0.0057] |
| Bond Pad #5: | Vg | $0.100 \times 0.100 \ [0.0039 \times 0.0039]$ |



Recommended Assembly Diagram



Note: Input and Output ports are DC coupled.

Recommended Components:

| * CAPACITOR VALUE | BYPASSING EFFECTIVE TO: |
|-------------------|-------------------------|
| None | 20 MHz |
| 0.01 uF | 4 MHz |
| 0.1 uF | 250 KHz |



Assembly Process Notes

Reflow process assembly notes:

- Use AuSn (80/20) solder with limited exposure to temperatures at or above 300 °C for 30 sec
- An alloy station or conveyor furnace with reducing atmosphere should be used.
- No fluxes should be utilized.
- Coefficient of thermal expansion matching is critical for long-term reliability.
- Devices must be stored in a dry nitrogen atmosphere.

Component placement and adhesive attachment assembly notes:

- Vacuum pencils and/or vacuum collets are the preferred method of pick up.
- Air bridges must be avoided during placement.
- The force impact is critical during auto placement.
- Organic attachment can be used in low-power applications.
- Curing should be done in a convection oven; proper exhaust is a safety concern.
- Microwave or radiant curing should not be used because of differential heating.
- Coefficient of thermal expansion matching is critical.

Interconnect process assembly notes:

- Thermosonic ball bonding is the preferred interconnect technique.
- Force, time, and ultrasonics are critical parameters.
- Aluminum wire should not be used.
- Devices with small pad sizes should be bonded with 0.0007-inch wire.
- Maximum stage temperature is 200 °C.