

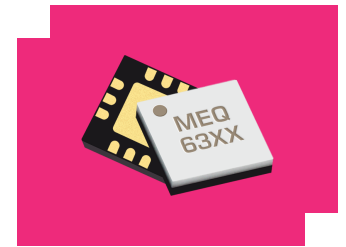
MEQ3-20ASM

Passive GaAs MMIC 20 GHz Equalizer

DEVICE OVERVIEW

General Description

The MEQ3-20ASM passive MMIC equalizer QFN is an ideal solution for compensating for low pass filtering effects in RF/microwave and high speed digital systems. They provide positive slope from DC to 20GHz with DC attenuation options between 0 and 11dB. The unique design offers superior return loss to competitors. GaAs MMIC technology provides consistent unit-to-unit performance in a small, low cost form factor.



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Features

- DC attenuation options from 0 to 11dB
- Typical Insertion Loss 1.2 dB at 20GHz
- VSWR < 1.5:1 Over Entire Band

Applications

- RF Transceivers
- High-Speed Data
- Telecom
- Cable Loss Compensation
- Amplifier Compensation

Functional Block Diagram



Part Ordering Options

Part Number	Description	Package	Packing Size	Green Status	Product Lifecycle	Export Classification
MEQ3-20ASM	Passive GaAs MMIC 20 GHz Equalizer	QFN	-	REACH RoHS	Released	EAR99
<u>EVAL-MEQ3-20A</u>	Evaluation Board, Passive GaAs MMIC 20 GHz Equalizer	EVAL	-	REACH RoHS	Released	EAR99
<u>MEQ3-20A-TR</u>	Tape and Reel, Passive GaAs MMIC 20 GHz Equalizer	QFN	7"	REACH RoHS	Released	EAR99

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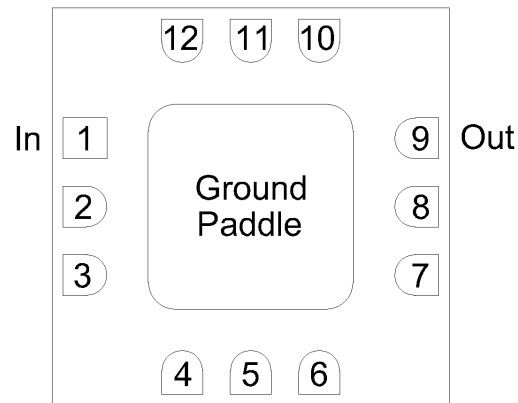
Revision History

Revision Code	Revision Date	Comment
-	2018-06-27	Datasheet Initial Release
A	2018-08-01	Added EVAL Outline
B	2018-11-01	Updated EVAL Outline
C	2019-03-01	Added ESD Rating
D	2019-05-01	Added Package Dimension Tolerance Spec
E	2019-08-01	Added SM Footprint
F	2025-11-18	Updated Port Diagram




Port Configuration and Functions

Port Diagram

A top-down view of the MEQ3-20ASM package outline drawing is shown below. The MEQ equalizers are symmetrical allowing Port 1 or Port 2 to be used as the input.



Port Functions

Port	Function	Description	DC Equivalent Circuit
GND	Ground	SM package ground path is provided through the ground paddle.	Pad 
Pin 1	Input/Output	Port 1 is DC connected to ground through a resistor. DC block is required if voltage present.	P1 
Pin 9	Input/Output	Port 2 is DC connected to ground through a resistor. DC block is required if voltage present.	P2 

Specifications

Absolute Maximum Ratings

The Absolute Maximum Ratings indicate limits beyond which damage may occur to the device. If these limits are exceeded, the device may be inoperable or have a reduced lifetime.

Parameter	Maximum Rating	Unit
Maximum Operating Temperature	100	°C
Maximum Storage Temperature	125	°C
Minimum Operating Temperature	-55	°C
Minimum Storage Temperature	-65	°C
Port 1 DC Current	40	mA
Port 2 DC Current	40	mA
Power Handling, at any Port	30	dBm

Package Information

Parameter	Details	Rating
ESD	250 to < 500 Volts	HBM Class 1A
Dimensions	-	3 x 3 mm
Moisture Sensitivity Level	-	MSL 1

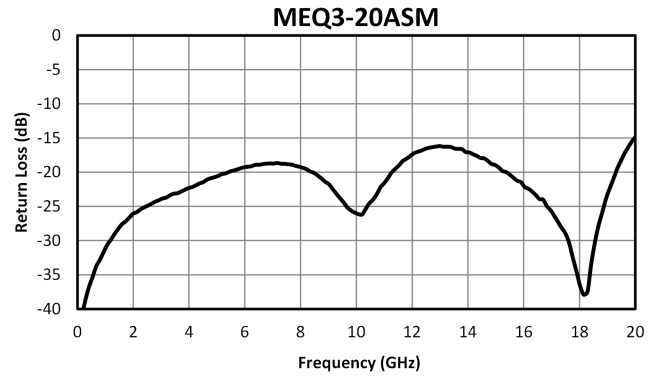
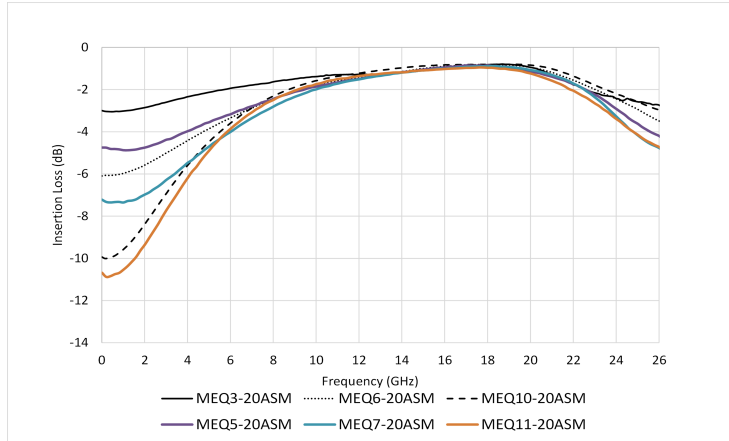
Electrical Specifications

The electrical specifications apply at TA=+25°C in a 50Ω system. Typical data shown is for the equalizer in a SM package with a sine wave input applied to port 1. Min and Max limits are guaranteed at TA=+25°C. All bare die are 100% DC tested and visually inspected.

Parameter	Test Conditions	Minimum Frequency (GHz)	Maximum Frequency (GHz)	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Insertion Loss	Freq=20GHz	20	20	-	1	-	dB
Insertion Loss at DC	Freq=0GHz	0	0	-	3	-	dB
Return Loss	-	0	20	-	19	-	dB

Equalizer is symmetrical. Reverse measurement is equivalent to forward measurement. All measurements taken in eval board without de-embedding.

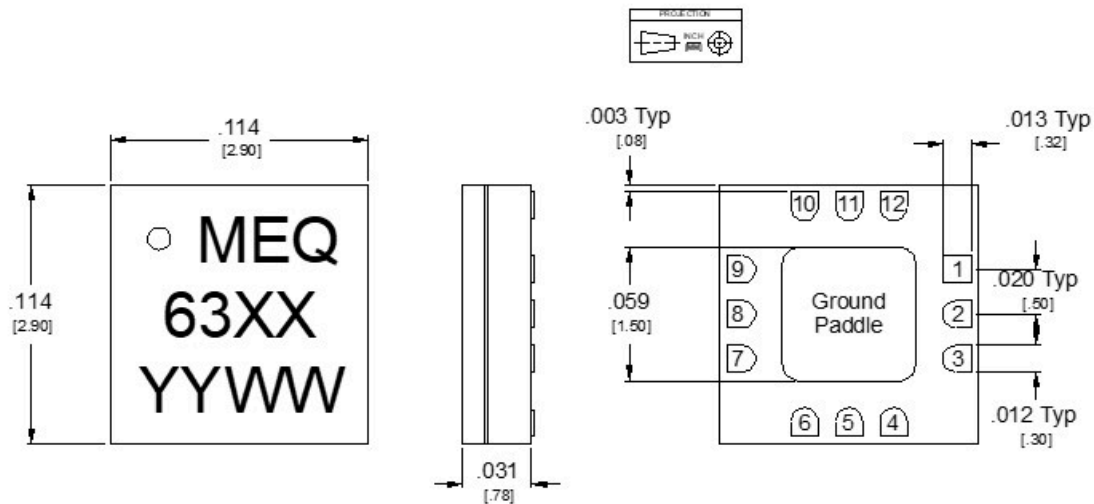
Typical Performance Plots



Mechanical Data

Outline Drawing

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Unless otherwise specified, dimensions are in inches. Tolerances are:

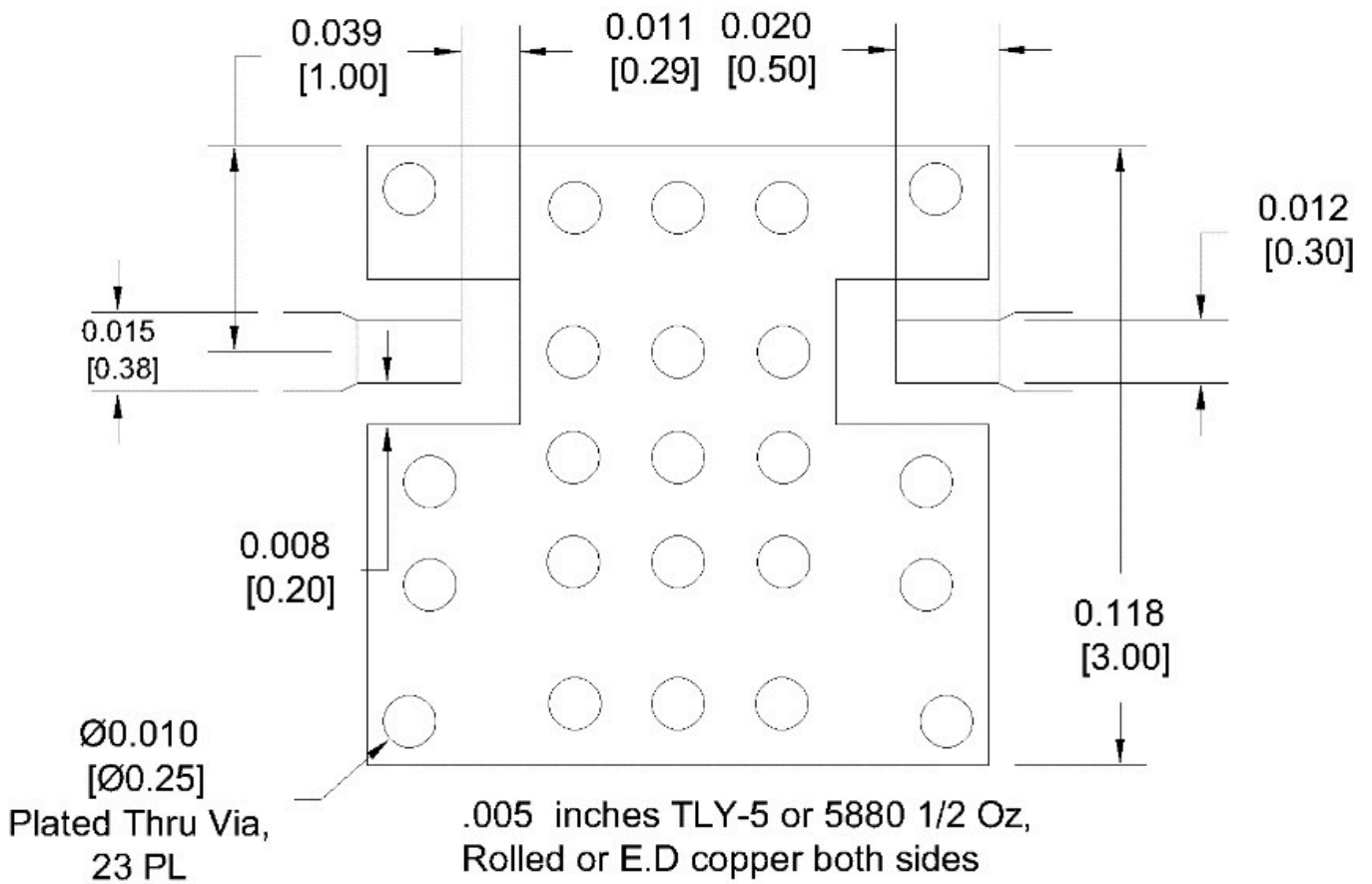
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.XXX ±.005

1. Substrate material is ceramic.
2. I/O Leads and Ground Paddle plating is (from base to finish):
Ni: 8.89um MAX 1.27um MIN
Pd: 0.17um MAX 0.07um MIN
Au 0.254um MAX 0.03um MIN
3. All unconnected pads should be connected to PCB RF ground.

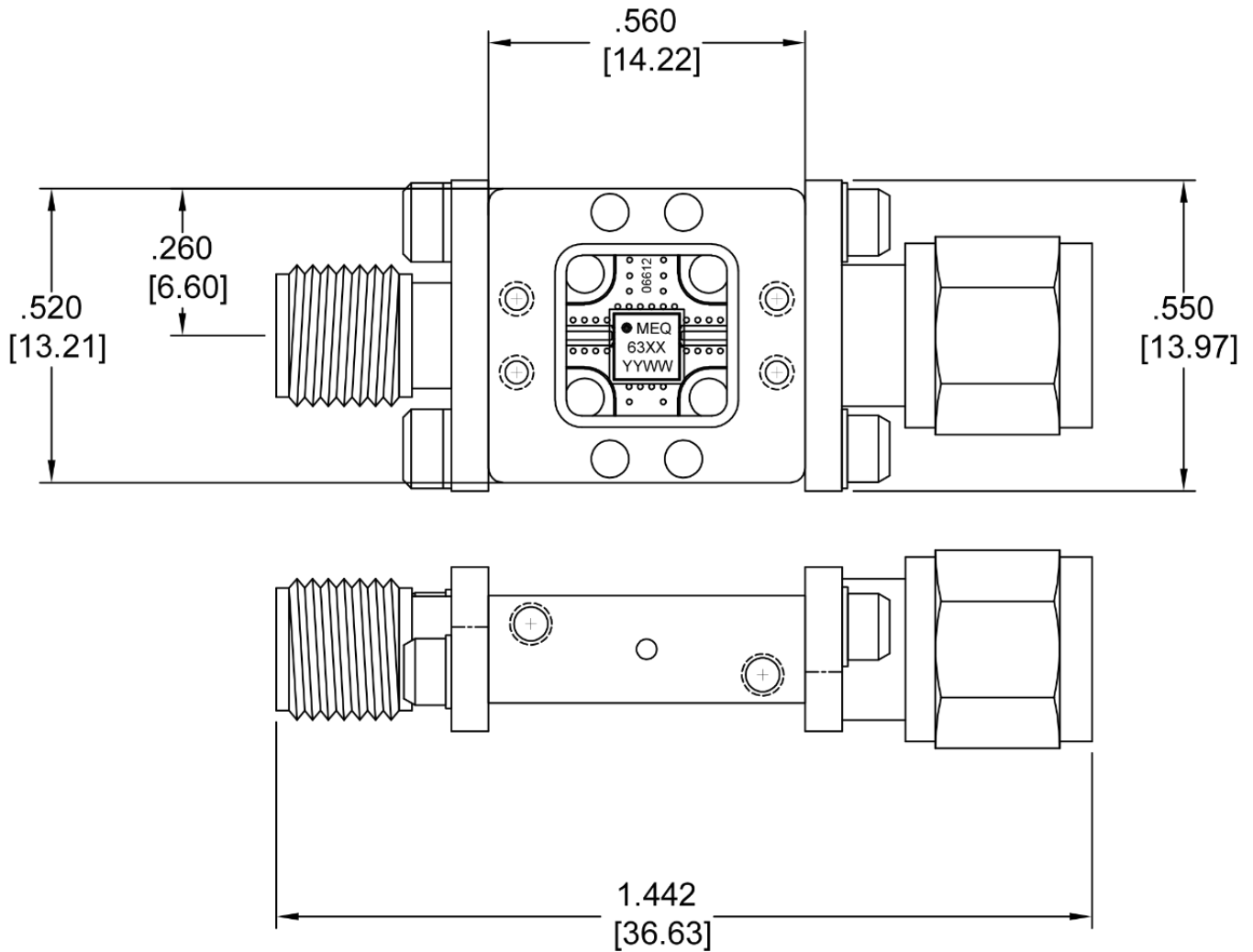
Part Number	Circuit Number
MEQ3-20ASM	6339
MEQ6-20ASM	6340
MEQ10-20ASM	6341
MEQ5-20ASM	6342
MEQ7-20ASM	6343
MEQ11-20ASM	6345

Footprint Image

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Evaluation Board - Outline Drawing



XX	Part Number
39	Eval-MEQ3-20A
40	Eval-MEQ6-20A
41	Eval-MEQ10-20A
42	Eval-MEQ5-20A
43	Eval-MEQ7-20A
45	Eval-MEQ11-20A

Port	Connector Type
I	SMA Female
O	SMA Male

Note: Eval-Package Connectors are not removeable.

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