

ACA1206 1 GHz CATV Line Amplifier PRELIMINARY DATA SHEET

FEATURES

- 15 dB Gain
- Very Low Distortion
- Excellent Input/Output Match
- Low DC Power Consumption
- Good RF Stability with High VSWR Load Conditions
- RoHS-compliant Surface Mount Package Compatible with Automatic Assembly
- Repeatability of Monolithic Fabrication
- Meets Cenelec Standards
- 1 GHz Specified Performance

APPLICATIONS

- CATV Distribution Amplifier
- High Linearity CATV Amplifier



PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The ACA1206 is a surface mount monolithic GaAs RF Linear Amplifier that has been developed to replace, in new designs, the standard CATV Hybrid amplifiers currently in use. The MMIC consist of two parallel amplifiers, each with 15 dB gain. The amplifier is optimized for exceptionally low distortion and noise figure while providing flat gain and excellent input and output return loss for applications up to 1 GHz. The device requires single +12 V supply and is offered in a RoHS-compliant package.

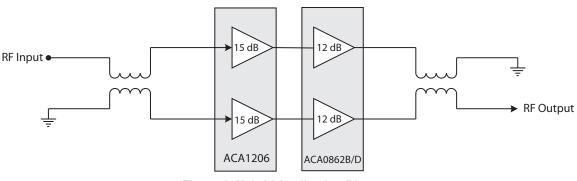


Figure 1: Hybrid Application Diagram

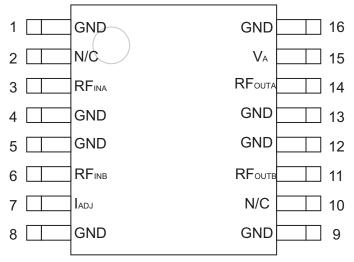


Figure 2: Pin Out

| PIN | NAME | DESCRIPTION | PIN | NAME | DESCRIPTION |
|-----|-------------------|----------------------|-----|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 | GND | Ground | 9 | GND | Ground |
| 2 | N/C | No Connection | 10 | N/C | No Connection |
| 3 | RF _{INA} | Input to Amplifier A | 11 | RF _{OUTB} | Output from Amplifier B |
| 4 | GND | Ground | 12 | GND | Ground |
| 5 | GND | Ground | 13 | GND | Ground |
| 6 | RF _{⊮B} | Input to Amplifier B | 14 | RF _{OUTA} | Output from Amplifier A |
| 7 | I _{ADJ} | Current Adjust | 15 | V _A | Supply for Amplifier A |
| 8 | GND | Ground | 16 | GND | Ground |

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ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

| Table 2. Absolute Minimum and Maximum Ratings | | | | | |
|---|-----|------|------|--|--|
| PARAMETER | MIN | MAX | UNIT | | |
| Amplifier Supplies (pins 10, 11, 14, 15) | 0 | +15 | VDC | | |
| RF Input Power (pins 3, 6) | - | +70 | dBmV | | |
| Storage Temperature | -65 | +150 | °C | | |
| Soldering Temperature | - | +260 | °C | | |
| Soldering Time | - | 5.0 | sec | | |
| Strasses in excess of the absolute ratings may cause permanent damage | | | | | |

Table 2: Absolute Mimimum and Maximum Ratings

Stresses in excess of the absolute ratings may cause permanent damage. Functional operation is not implied under these conditions. Exposure to absolute ratings for extended periods of time may adversely affect reliability. *Notes:*

(1) Pins 3 and 6 should be AC-coupled. No external DC bias should be applied.

| PARAMETER | MIN | ТҮР | MAX | UNIT |
|---|-----|-----|------|------|
| RF Frequency | 40 | - | 1000 | MHz |
| Supply: $V_{_{DD}}$ (pins 10, 11, 14, 15) | - | +12 | - | VDC |
| Operating Temperature | -40 | - | +110 | °C |

Table 3: Operating Ranges

The device may be operated safely over these conditions; however, parametric performance is guaranteed only over the conditions defined in the electrical specifications.

Table 4: Electrical Specifications (TA = +25 °C, VDD = +12 VDC)

| PARAMETER | MIN | ТҮР | MAX | UNIT | COMMENTS |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|---------------|------|--|
| Gain at 1 GHz (1) | 13.7 | 14.2 | 14.7 | dB | |
| Gain Flatness | - | 0.1□0.1 □0.3 0.1 □0.1 | - | dB | 45 to 100 MHz 100 to 800 MHz 800 to 1002 MHz |
| Noise Figure at 1 GHz ⁽¹⁾ | - | 3.0 | 3.5 | dB | |
| CTB 195 mA ^{(1), (3), (4)} | - - | -72 -75 - | -69 - - | dBc | 77 Channels 110 Channels 128 Channels |
| CTB 325 mA ^{(1), (2), (5)} | - - | -75 -74 - | -72 - - | dBc | 77 Channels 110 Channels 128 Channels |
| CSO 195 mA ^{(1), (3), (4)} | - | -75 -77 - | -68 - - | dBc | 77 Channels 110 Channels 128 Channels |
| CSO 325 mA ^{(1), (2), (5)} | - - - | -75 -72 - | -64 - - | dBc | 77 Channels 110 Channels 128 Channels |
| XMOD 195 mA ^{(1), (3), (4)} | - - | -64 -68 - | -61 - - | dBc | 77 Channels 110 Channels 128 Channels |
| XMOD 325 mA ^{(1), (2), (5)} | - - - | -69 -70 - | -67 - - | dBc | 77 Channels 110 Channels 128 Channels |
| Supply Current (lbb) | 185 300 | 195 325 | 205 350 | mA | R1 = 5.2 k□ R1 = 2 k□ |
| Cable Equivalent Slope (1) | - | TBD | - | dB | |
| Return Loss (1) | 18 | 22 | - | dB | |
| Thermal Resistance | - | - | 6.0 | °C/W | |

Notes:

(1) Measured with a balun on the input and output of the device. See Figure 25 for test setup.

(2) 15.6 dB tilt, 49 dBmV output (per channel) at 1002 MHz plus QAM set 6 dBmV down from carrier.

(3) 3 dB tilt, 37 dBmV output (per channel) at 1002 MHz plus QAM set 6 dBmV down from carrier.

(4) Tested with $R1 = 5.2 k\Omega$

(5) Tested with $R1 = 2 k\Omega$

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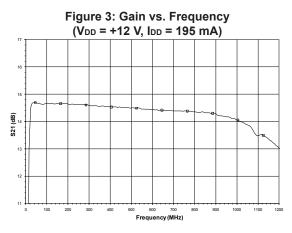
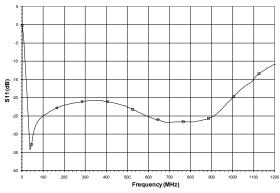


Figure 5: Input Return Loss vs. Frequency (V_{DD} = +12 V, I_{DD} = 195 mA)





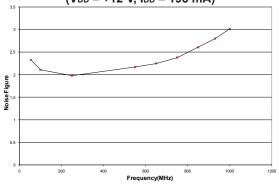


Figure 4: Reverse Isolation vs. Frequency (V_{DD} = +12 V, I_{DD} = 195 mA)

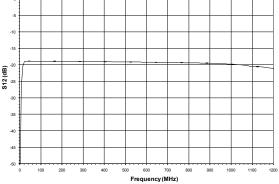


Figure 6: Output Return Loss vs. Frequency (V_{DD} = +12 V, I_{DD} = 195 mA)

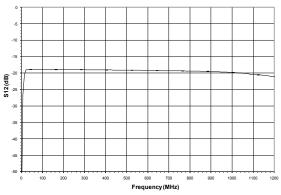
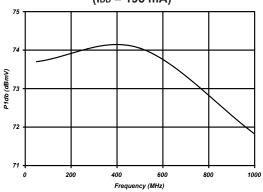


Figure 7a: ACA1206 P1dB vs. Frequency (IDD = 195 mA)



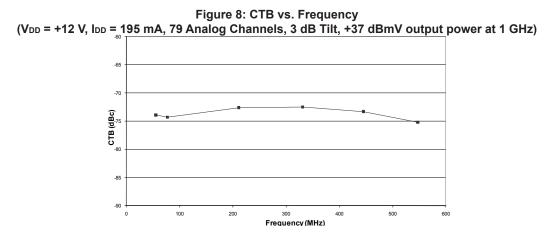


Figure 9: CSO vs. Frequency

(VDD = +12 V, IDD = 195 mA, 79 Analog Channels, 3 dB Tilt, +37 dBmV output power at 1 GHz)

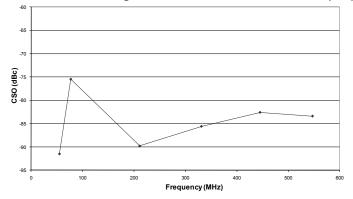
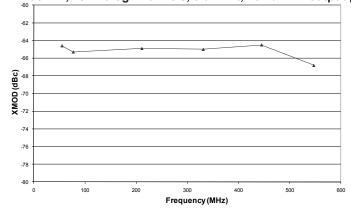


Figure 10: XMOD vs. Frequency (VDD = +12 V, IDD = 195 mA, 79 Analog Channels, 3 dB Tilt, +37 dBmV output power at 1 GHz)



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Figure 11: CTB vs. Frequency (VDD = +12 V, IDD = 195 mA, 112 Analog Channels, 3 dB Tilt, +37 dBmV output power at 1 GHz)

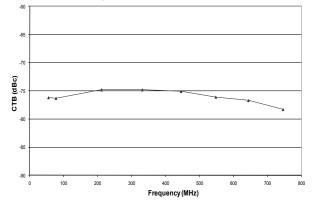


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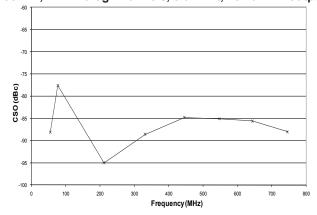
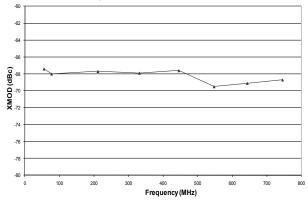


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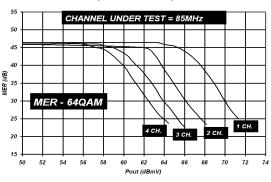
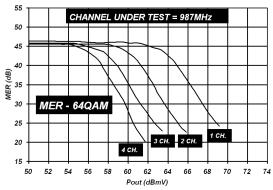
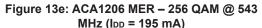


Figure 13a: ACA1206 MER – 64 QAM @ 85 MHz (IDD = 195 mA)

Figure 13c: ACA1206 MER – 64 QAM @ 987 MHz (IDD = 195 mA)





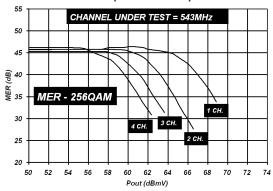
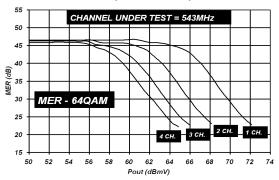
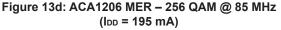


Figure 13b: ACA1206 MER – 64 QAM @ 543 MHz (Idd = 195 mA)





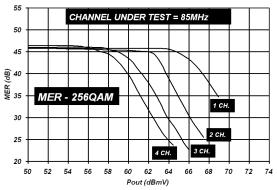
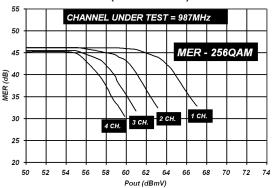


Figure 13f: ACA1206 MER – 256 QAM @ 987 MHz (Ibb = 195 mA)



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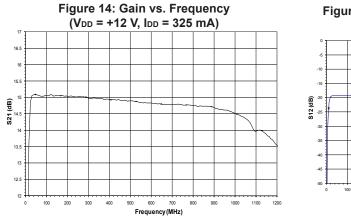


Figure 16: Input Return Loss vs. Frequency (VDD = +12 V, IDD = 325 mA)

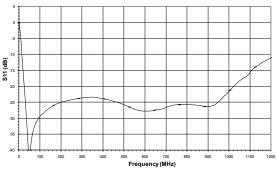


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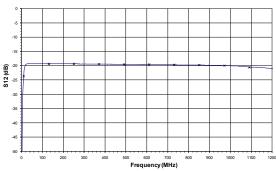
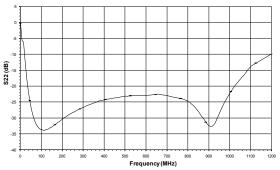
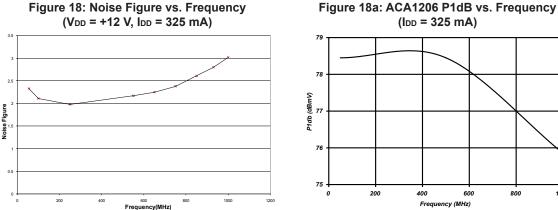


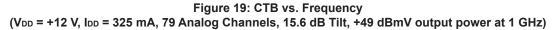
Figure 17: Output Return Loss vs. Frequency (VDD = +12 V, IDD = 325 mA)





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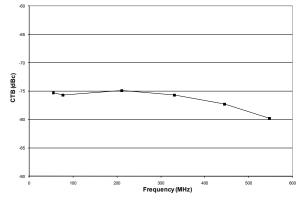


Figure 20: CSO vs. Frequency (VDD = +12 V, IDD = 325 mA, 79 Analog Channels, 15.6 dB Tilt, +49 dBmV output power at 1 GHz)

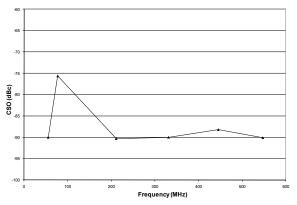
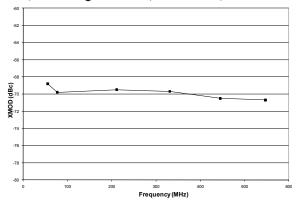
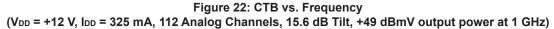


Figure 21: XMOD vs. Frequency

(VDD = +12 V, IDD = 325 mA, 79 Analog Channels, 15.6 dB Tilt, +49 dBmV output power at 1 GHz)



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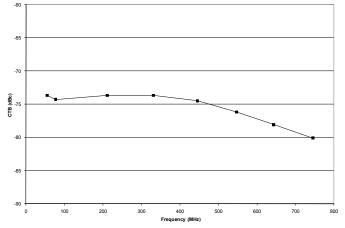
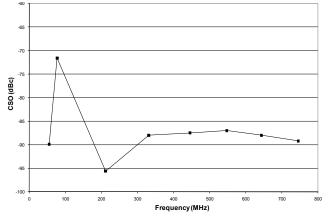
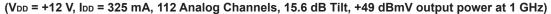


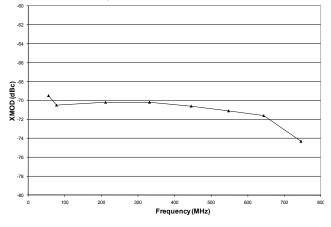
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Figure 24a: ACA1206 MER – 64 QAM @ 85 MHz (Ibb = 325 mA)

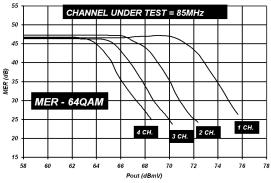
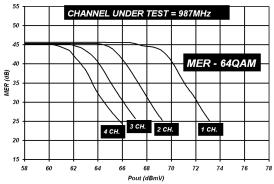
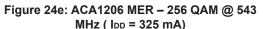


Figure 24c: ACA1206 MER – 64 QAM @ 987 MHz (lod = 325 mA)





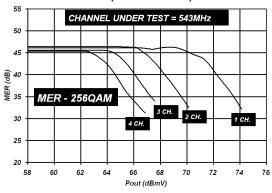
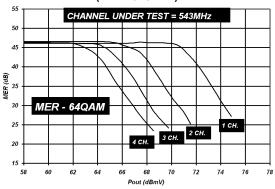
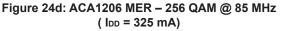


Figure 24b: ACA1206 MER – 64 QAM @ 543 MHz (IDD = 325 mA)





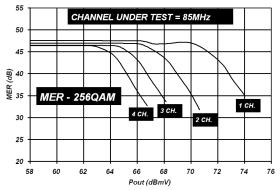
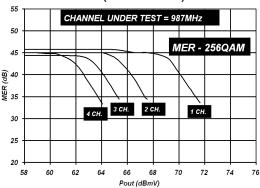


Figure 24f: ACA1206 MER – 256 QAM @ 987 MHz (Ibb = 325 mA)



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APPLICATION INFORMATION

The ACA1206 is designed as an input stage. This part can be used alone for low gain, low output level applications or can be cascaded with one of the ACA0862 output stages for higher gain and output signal drive level. The ACA1206 is a low power dissipation part designed as a driver for the ACA0862B output stage.

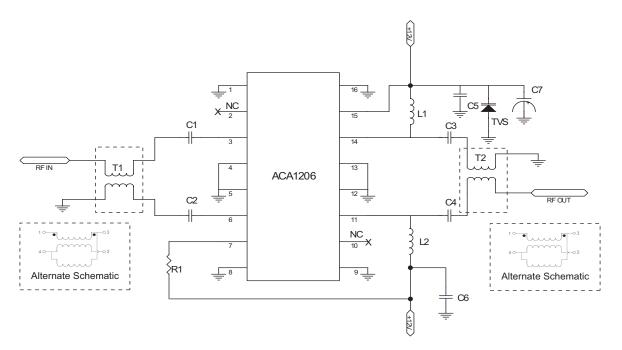


Figure 25: Evaluation Board Schematic

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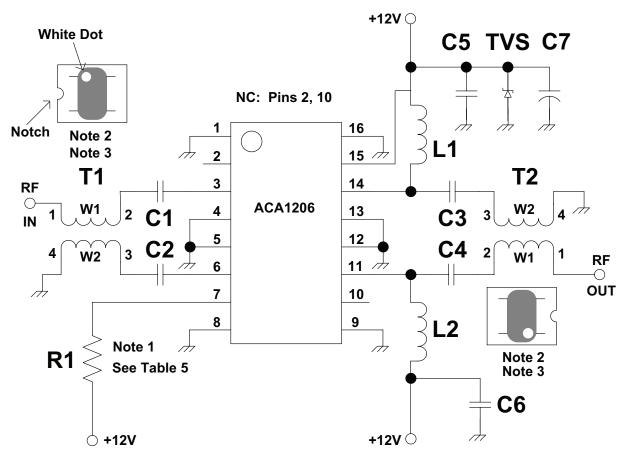


Figure 26: Test Circuit Schematic

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|-----|---|---|
|-----|---|---|

| NOMINAL CURRENT ⁽¹⁾ | R1 |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| 195 mA | 5.2 k Ω |
| 325 mA | 2 kΩ |

Notes:

(1) Values are approximate for resistors specified.

(2) W1/W2 indicate balun (Figure 27) orientation.

(3) 1, 2, 3, 4 indicate orientation of alternate balun (Figure 28). Note the position of the notch and the white dot at pin 1.

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| ITEM | DESCRIPTION | QTY | VENDOR | VENDOR P/N |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| C1,C2,C5,C6 | 0.01uF. CHIP CAP. | 4 | MURATA | GRM39X7R1103K25V |
| C3,C4 | 330 pF. CHIP CAP. | 2 | MURATA | GRM1555C1H331JA01D |
| C7 | 47 uF ELECT.CAP. | 1 | DIGI-KEY CORP. | P5275-ND |
| L1,L2 | 470 nH CHIP IND. | 2 | Coil Craft | 1008CS-471X_L_ |
| T1,T2- BALUN | CORE | 2 | Fair-Rite | 2843002702 |
| TT,TZ- BALUN | WIRE | | MWS Wire Ind. | T-2361429-20 |
| T1, T2 BALUN (alternate) | Transmission Line BALUN | 1 | MPS Industries Torrance, CA | R3591 |
| R1 ⁽⁴⁾ | 2 k□ 5.2K□ | 1 | Panasonic | ERJ-3EKF2001V ERJ-3EKF5231V |
| TVS | TVS 12 VOLT. 600 WATT | 1 | Little Fuse | SMBJ12A |
| CONNECTOR | 75 ⊡N MALE PANEL MOUNT. | 2 | PASTERNACK ENTERP. | PE4504 |
| РСВ | PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD | 1 | ANADIGICS | |
| INDIUM | 300 x 160 MILS | 1 | INDIUM CORP. OF AMERICA | 14996Y |

Table 6: Evaluation Board Bill of Materials

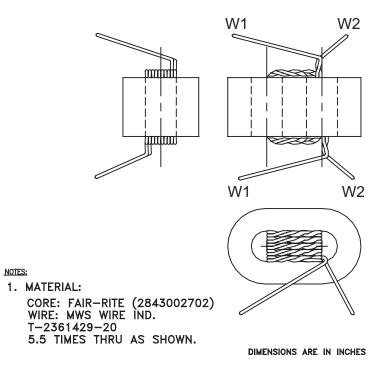
Notes:

(1) T1, T2 (balun) wind 5.5 turns thru core as shown (Figure 26).

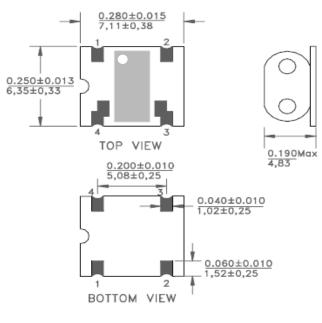
(2) "N" connector, center pin, should be approximately 80 mils in length.

(3) Due to the higher power dissipation of this device the PC board should be mounted/attached to a large heat sink.

(4) See Table 5





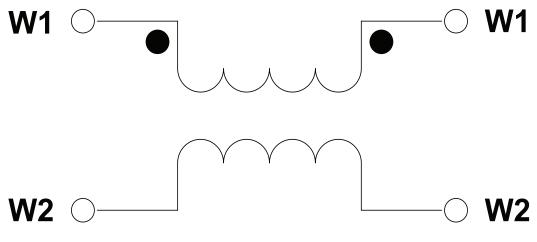


Dimensions: inch/mm

Figure 28: Alternate Balun Drawing

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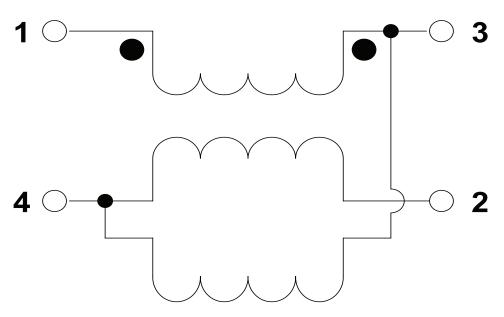
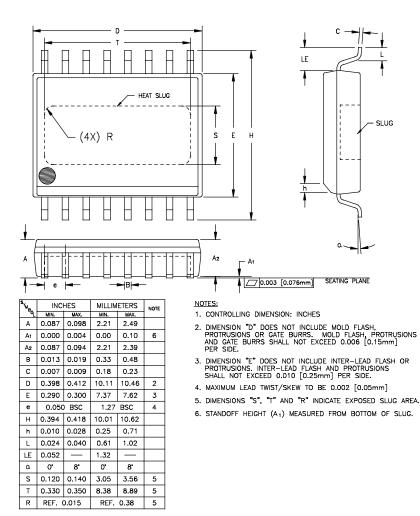


Figure 30: Alternate Balun Schematic

PACKAGE OUTLINE





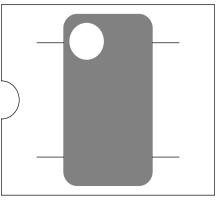


Figure 32: Package Outline - Alternate Balun

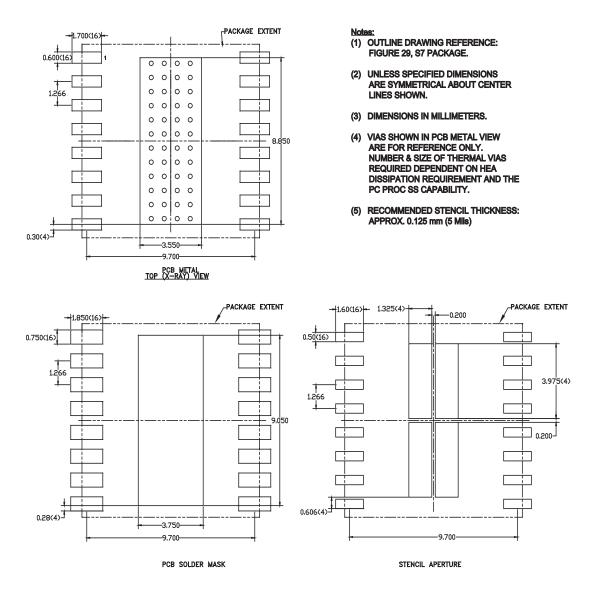


Figure 33: PCB Pad Layout and Solder Mask Detail

| ORDER NUMBER | TEMPERATURE RANGE | PACKAGE DESCRIPTION | COMPONENT PACKAGING |
|--------------|----------------------|---|-------------------------|
| ACA1206RS7P2 | -40°C to 110°C | RoHS-Compliant 16 Pin Wide Body SOIC with Heat Sink | 1,500 Piece Tape & Reel |

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