

MMIC

REFLECTIONLESS FILTER DICE

50Ω DC to 21 GHz

The Big Deal

- Patented design eliminates in band spurs
- Pass band cut-off up to 21 GHz
- Stop band up to 35 GHz
- Excellent repeatability through IPD* process
- Unpackaged Die Form



X-Series

Available in Low Pass, High Pass and Band Pass designs

Product Overview

Mini-Circuits' X-Series reflectionless filters employ a novel filter topology which absorbs and terminates stop band signals internally rather than reflecting them back to the source. This new capability enables unique applications for filter circuits beyond those suited to traditional approaches. Traditional filters are reflective in the stop band, sending signals back to the source at 100% of the power level which interact with neighboring components and often result in intermodulation and other interferences. Reflectionless filters eliminate stop band reflections, allowing them to be paired with sensitive devices and used in applications that otherwise require circuits such as isolators, isolation amplifiers or attenuators.

Key Features

Easy integration with sensitive reflective components, e.g. mixers, multipliers

Enables stable integration of wideband amplifiers

Cascadable

Excellent power handling in a tiny surface mount device

Excellent repeatability of RF performance

Excellent stability over temperature

Operating Temperature up to 105°C

Unpackaged Die form

Advantages

Reflectionless filters absorb unwanted signals, preventing reflections back to the source. This reduces generation of additional unwanted signals without the need for extra components like attenuators, improving system dynamic range and saving board space.

Because reflectionless filters maintain good impedance in the stop band; they can be integrated with high gain, wideband amplifiers without the risk of creating instabilities in these out of band regions.

Reflectionless filters can be cascaded in multiple sections to provide sharper and higher attenuation, while also preventing any standing waves that could affect pass band signals.

High power handling extends the usability of these filters to the transmit path for inter-stage filtering.

Through semiconductor IPD process, X-series filters are inherently repeatable for large volume production.

With ± 0.3 dB variation over temperature ideal for use in wide temperature range applications without the need for additional temperature compensation.

Suitable for operation close to high power components

Enables direct integration into customer hybrids

*IPD – Integrated Passive Device, is a GaAs semiconductor process



Reflectionless Low Pass Filter Die

XLF-73-D+

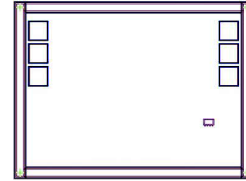
50Ω DC to 7000 MHz

Features

- Match to 50Ω in the stop band, eliminates undesired reflections
- Cascadable
- Excellent Power handling
- Protected by US Patent No. 8,392,495

Applications

- Harmonics Rejection
- Satellite
- Radar
- Military & Space



+RoHS Compliant

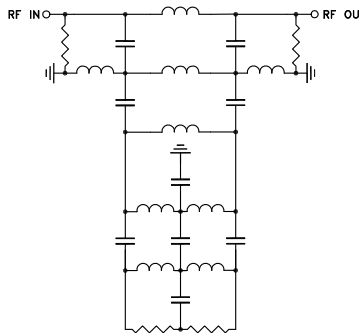
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General Description

Mini-Circuits' XLF-73-D+ reflectionless filter die employs a novel filter topology which absorbs and terminates stop band signals internally rather than reflecting them back to the source. This new capability enables unique applications for filter circuits beyond those suited to traditional approaches. Traditional filters are reflective in the stop band, sending signals back to the source at 100% of the power level. These reflections interact with neighboring components and often result in inter-modulation and other interferences. Reflectionless filters eliminate stop band reflections, allowing them to be paired with sensitive devices and used in applications that otherwise require circuits such as isolation amplifiers or attenuators.

Simplified Schematic



Pad	Description
RF-IN	RF Input Pad
RF-OUT	RF Output Pad
Ground	Ground Bonding Pad

Electrical Specifications¹ at 25°C

Parameter		F#	Frequency (MHz)	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Pass Band	Insertion Loss	DC - F1	DC-7000		1.1		dB
	Frequency Cut-off	F2	9900		3.0		dB
	VSWR	DC - F1	DC-7000		1.3		:1
Stop Band	Rejection	F3 - F5	11700 - 21300		15		dB
		F3 - F4	11700 - 18500		1.5		:1
	VSWR	F4 - F5	18500 - 21300		2.2		:1

¹ Measured on Mini-Circuits Characterization test board. Die packaged in 3mm x 3mm, 12-lead MCLP package and soldered on TB-844-73+

Absolute Maximum Ratings^{1,4}

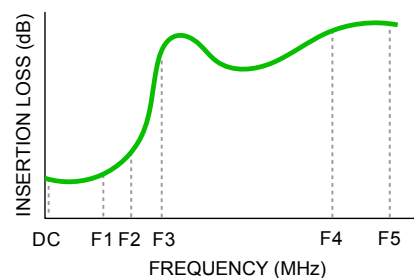
Parameter	Ratings
Operating Temperature	-55°C to +105°C
RF Power Input, Passband (DC-F1) ²	2W at 25°C
RF Power Input, Stopband (F2-F5) ³	100mW at 25°C

² Passband rating derates linearly to 1W at 105°C ambient

³ Stopband rating derates linearly to 50mW at 105°C ambient

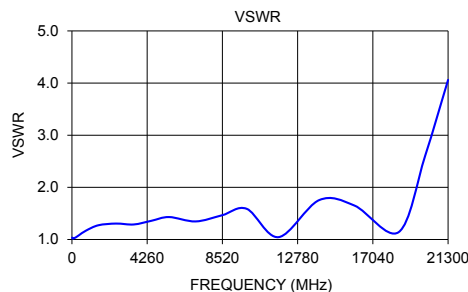
⁴ Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded.

Specification Definition



Typical Performance Data at 25°C¹

Frequency (MHz)	Insertion Loss (dB)	VSWR (:1)
10	0.36	1.04
50	0.32	1.02
100	0.31	1.02
200	0.30	1.04
400	0.29	1.08
800	0.33	1.17
1500	0.41	1.27
2500	0.51	1.31
3500	0.56	1.29
4500	0.68	1.36
5500	0.82	1.43
7000	1.03	1.35
8500	1.57	1.47
9900	3.06	1.59
11700	14.77	1.05
14000	22.17	1.76
16000	18.33	1.65
18500	26.12	1.14
20000	18.98	2.60
21300	17.35	4.06



Die Layout

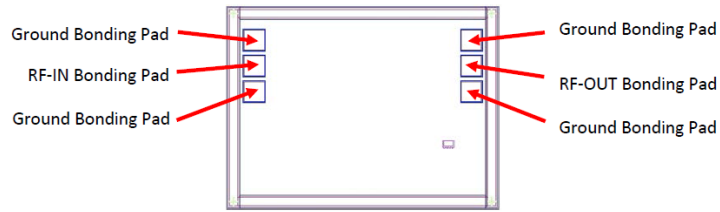


Fig 1. Die Layout

Bonding Pad Position
(Dimensions in μm , Typical)

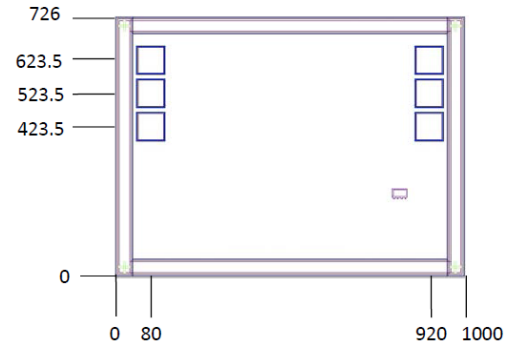


Fig 2. Bonding Pad Positions

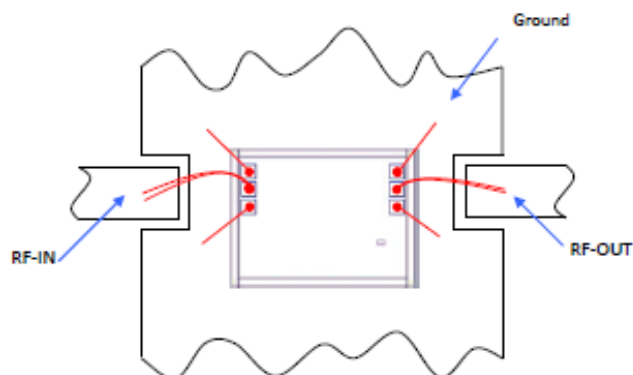
Critical Dimensions

Parameter	Values
Die Thickness, μm	100
Die Width, μm	1000
Die Length, μm	726
Bond Pad Size (Ground pad), μm	75 x 75

Assembly and Handling Procedure

1. Storage
Dice should be stored in a dry nitrogen purged desiccators or equivalent.
2. ESD
MMIC Gallium Arsenide (GaAs) filter dice are susceptible to electrostatic and mechanical damage. Die are supplied in antistatic protected material, which should be opened in clean room conditions at an appropriately grounded anti-static workstation. Devices need careful handling using correctly designed collets, vacuum pickup tips or sharp antistatic tweezers to deter ESD damage to dice.
3. Die Attach
The die mounting surface must be clean and flat. Using conductive silver filled epoxy, recommended epoxies are DieMat DM6030Hk-PT/H579/H579 or Ablestik 84-1LMISR4. Apply sufficient epoxy to meet required epoxy bond line thickness, epoxy fillet height and epoxy coverage around total die periphery. Parts shall be cured in a nitrogen filled atmosphere per manufacturer's cure condition. It is recommended to use antistatic die pick up tools only.
4. Wire Bonding
Bond pad openings in the surface passivation above the bond pads are provided to allow wire bonding to the dice gold bond pads. Thermosonic bonding is used with minimized ultrasonic content. Bond force, time, ultrasonic power and temperature are all critical parameters. Suggested wire is pure gold, 1 mil diameter. Bonds must be made from the bond pads on the die to the package or substrate. All bond wires should be kept as short as low as reasonable to minimize performance degradation due to undesirable series inductance.

Assembly Diagram



Recommended Wire Length, Typical

Wire	Wire Length (mm)	Wire Loop Height (mm)
All wires	1.0	0.15

Note: Use double bond wire at RF IN & RF OUT

Typical Performance Data

FREQ. (MHz)	INSERTION LOSS					GROUP DELAY				
	(dB)					(nsec)				
	@-55°C	@-40°C	@+25°C	@+85°C	@+105°C	@-55°C	@-40°C	@+25°C	@+85°C	@+105°C
10	0.36	0.34	0.36	0.41	0.40	0.13	0.15	0.13	0.11	0.13
50	0.26	0.29	0.32	0.34	0.35	0.08	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.08
100	0.26	0.28	0.32	0.35	0.35	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05
200	0.25	0.26	0.30	0.33	0.35	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05
300	0.23	0.26	0.30	0.33	0.35	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
400	0.21	0.24	0.31	0.34	0.35	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
500	0.22	0.24	0.31	0.34	0.35	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
600	0.22	0.24	0.32	0.35	0.36	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
700	0.23	0.25	0.33	0.37	0.38	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.05
800	0.23	0.25	0.33	0.37	0.39	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
900	0.23	0.26	0.35	0.39	0.41	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04
1000	0.23	0.25	0.35	0.39	0.40	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
1200	0.24	0.27	0.38	0.42	0.44	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04
1400	0.26	0.29	0.40	0.44	0.47	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04
1600	0.27	0.30	0.42	0.47	0.49	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04
1800	0.28	0.31	0.44	0.48	0.50	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04
2000	0.29	0.33	0.45	0.49	0.51	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04
2500	0.33	0.36	0.50	0.55	0.57	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04
3000	0.34	0.38	0.53	0.58	0.60	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
3500	0.36	0.40	0.56	0.62	0.65	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
4000	0.39	0.43	0.61	0.70	0.73	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
4500	0.44	0.49	0.69	0.79	0.83	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
5000	0.51	0.56	0.78	0.89	0.94	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05
5500	0.58	0.63	0.86	0.99	1.03	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05
6000	0.65	0.71	0.93	1.06	1.11	0.06	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.05
6200	0.67	0.73	0.96	1.09	1.13	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.05
6400	0.69	0.75	0.98	1.11	1.17	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
6600	0.71	0.77	1.01	1.15	1.20	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
6800	0.71	0.78	1.03	1.18	1.23	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
7000	0.71	0.79	1.06	1.22	1.28	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.06
7200	0.73	0.80	1.10	1.27	1.33	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06
7400	0.75	0.82	1.14	1.32	1.40	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07
7600	0.77	0.84	1.18	1.39	1.46	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07
7800	0.80	0.88	1.24	1.46	1.55	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07
8000	0.84	0.93	1.30	1.54	1.63	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.07	0.07
8100	0.87	0.96	1.34	1.59	1.68	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.07	0.07
8200	0.90	0.99	1.38	1.63	1.73	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08
8400	0.98	1.08	1.48	1.75	1.85	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.08
8600	1.08	1.17	1.59	1.87	1.97	0.09	0.09	0.08	0.08	0.08
8800	1.19	1.29	1.71	2.01	2.11	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09
9000	1.32	1.43	1.86	2.16	2.27	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
9200	1.48	1.59	2.03	2.35	2.46	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10
9400	1.67	1.78	2.23	2.57	2.69	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11
9600	1.87	2.00	2.47	2.84	2.96	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12	0.12
9800	2.11	2.24	2.76	3.17	3.31	0.12	0.13	0.12	0.12	0.13
9900	2.25	2.39	2.94	3.37	3.52	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13
10000	2.40	2.55	3.13	3.60	3.75	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14
10600	4.02	4.23	5.08	5.78	6.01	0.17	0.17	0.16	0.16	0.16
10800	4.95	5.19	6.14	6.94	7.19	0.18	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.17
11000	6.14	6.39	7.46	8.35	8.64	0.18	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.17
11200	7.59	7.86	9.05	10.06	10.37	0.19	0.19	0.17	0.17	0.16
11400	9.36	9.66	10.98	12.08	12.45	0.19	0.19	0.17	0.16	0.16
11600	11.51	11.86	13.29	14.48	14.87	0.19	0.18	0.16	0.15	0.14
11700	12.76	13.14	14.58	15.84	16.24	0.17	0.17	0.15	0.13	0.13
12000	17.19	17.55	19.10	20.29	20.70	0.12	0.11	0.08	0.06	0.05
13000	26.40	26.52	27.06	27.50	27.69	0.13	0.15	0.18	0.19	0.21
14000	22.28	22.36	22.42	22.52	22.57	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.17
15000	18.26	18.37	18.89	19.18	19.31	0.14	0.14	0.13	0.12	0.11
16000	17.77	17.90	18.52	19.01	19.18	0.13	0.12	0.11	0.10	0.10
17000	19.77	20.01	20.73	21.41	21.65	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13
17500	21.66	21.89	23.07	24.12	24.39	0.19	0.18	0.20	0.17	0.19
18000	24.05	24.47	25.98	27.39	27.80	0.27	0.25	0.29	0.33	0.34
18500	25.19	25.41	26.48	27.29	27.52	0.34	0.32	0.35	0.36	0.36
19000	22.72	22.85	23.33	23.69	23.70	0.23	0.23	0.22	0.19	0.19
20000	17.91	18.06	18.88	19.36	19.50	0.14	0.13	0.10	0.09	0.08
21000	16.64	16.71	17.24	17.71	17.98	0.08	0.07	0.04	0.04	0.03
21300	16.71	16.75	16.77	17.28	17.53	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.03	0.02
22000	16.22	16.24	15.67	15.74	15.86	0.02	0.02	0.04	0.05	0.05
23000	14.34	14.42	14.35	14.08	13.92	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.06
24000	12.16	12.35	13.30	13.61	13.63	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.03	0.02
25000	11.46	11.49	11.85	12.53	12.78	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.02
26000	10.61	10.63	10.35	10.71	10.95	0.03	0.03	0.05	0.06	0.05
27000	8.69	8.83	9.30	9.52	9.57	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06
28000	7.29	7.48	8.70	9.50	9.71	0.08	0.08	0.05	0.05	0.05
29000	7.65	7.75	8.28	9.32	9.69	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.04
30000	8.24	8.34	8.31	8.84	9.12	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.04

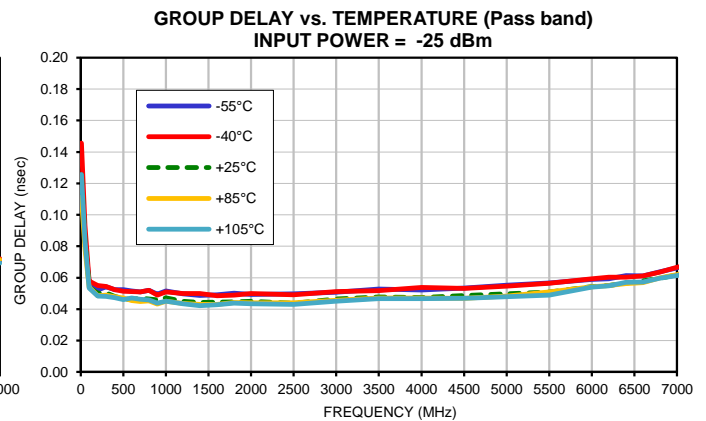
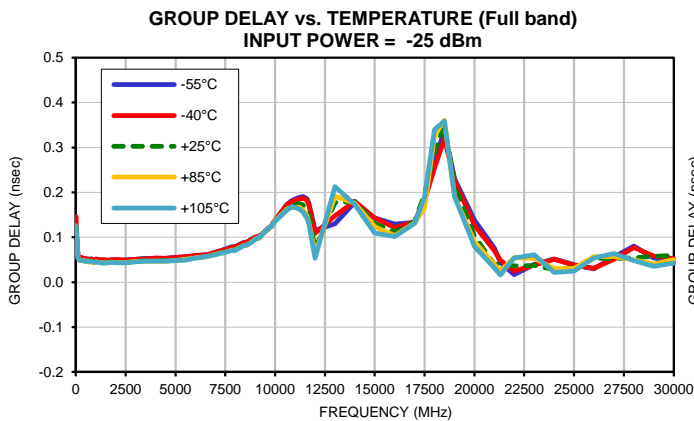
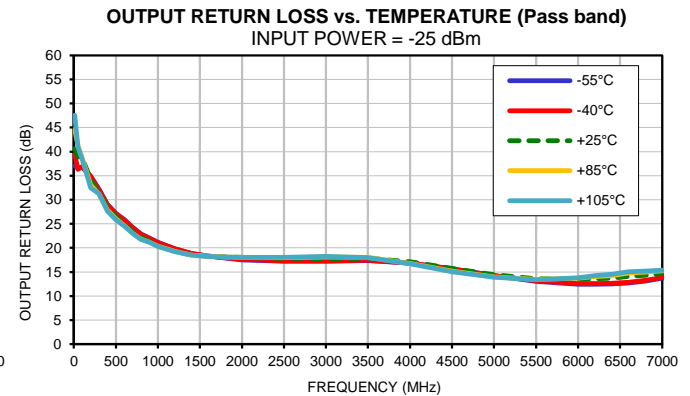
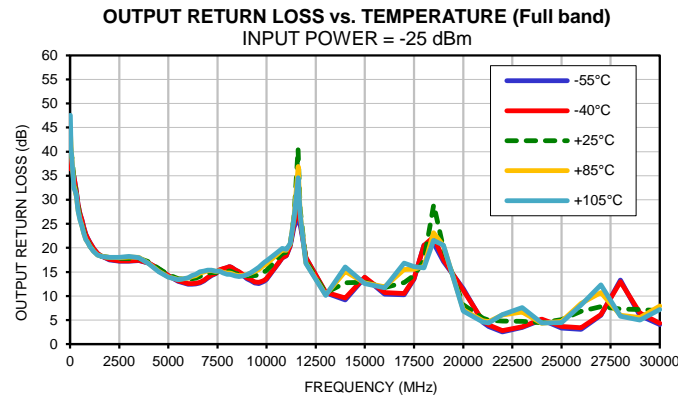
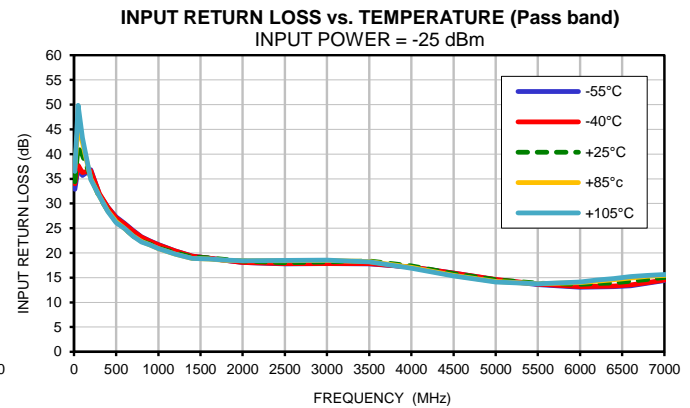
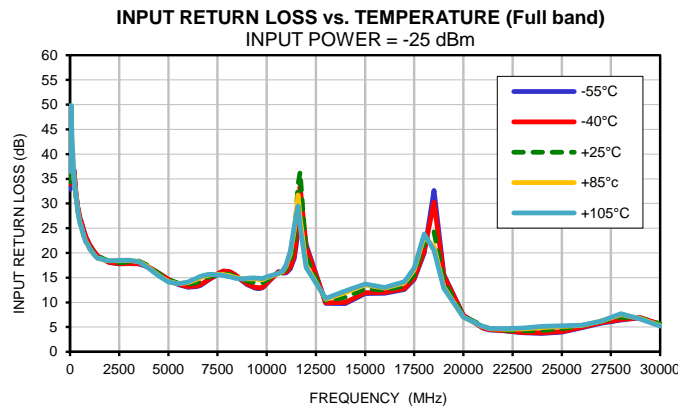
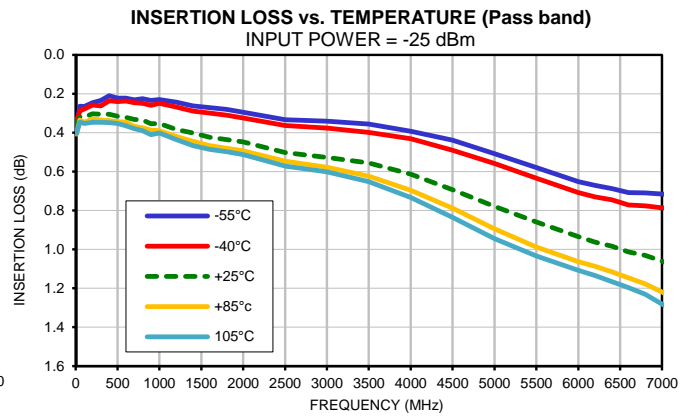
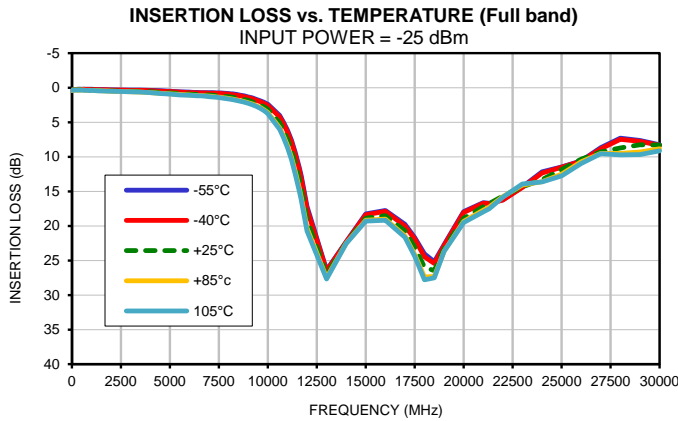


Typical Performance Data

FREQ. (MHz)	INPUT RETURN LOSS					OUTPUT RETURN LOSS				
	(dB)					(dB)				
	@-55°C	@-40°C	@+25°C	@+85°C	@+105°C	@-55°C	@-40°C	@+25°C	@+85°C	@+105°C
10	32.85	33.95	34.38	37.16	36.46	37.05	39.47	40.59	44.65	47.55
50	37.17	37.73	41.46	46.09	49.87	36.67	36.29	38.98	41.29	40.98
100	35.67	36.23	39.78	42.39	43.30	36.71	36.89	38.72	38.49	38.34
200	36.84	36.69	35.37	35.03	34.84	34.87	34.85	34.18	33.04	32.46
300	31.85	31.99	31.22	31.48	31.50	32.20	31.97	31.27	31.13	31.29
400	29.25	29.28	28.59	28.50	28.40	28.98	28.97	28.41	27.86	27.69
500	27.25	27.12	26.30	26.32	26.14	27.15	27.07	26.49	26.03	25.82
600	26.01	25.87	24.93	24.97	24.93	25.85	25.75	24.89	24.60	24.53
700	24.55	24.43	23.42	23.46	23.35	24.27	24.13	23.33	23.02	23.01
800	23.27	23.21	22.39	22.33	22.21	22.89	22.81	22.07	21.79	21.73
900	22.46	22.37	21.82	21.63	21.65	22.01	21.95	21.43	21.17	21.16
1000	21.70	21.63	20.98	20.88	20.85	21.14	21.09	20.40	20.33	20.30
1200	20.44	20.38	20.04	19.77	19.77	19.85	19.80	19.34	19.28	19.25
1400	19.38	19.33	19.16	18.90	18.90	18.83	18.81	18.50	18.50	18.48
1600	18.94	18.95	18.98	18.77	18.75	18.29	18.30	18.28	18.27	18.26
1800	18.48	18.48	18.67	18.51	18.52	17.87	17.93	18.11	18.08	18.10
2000	18.05	18.10	18.35	18.43	18.44	17.50	17.60	18.02	18.04	18.04
2500	17.79	17.83	18.03	18.42	18.51	17.20	17.28	17.82	17.95	18.06
3000	17.84	17.87	18.22	18.50	18.57	17.23	17.30	17.77	18.10	18.21
3500	17.80	17.84	18.36	18.25	18.22	17.36	17.42	17.85	18.00	17.98
4000	17.16	17.16	17.35	17.06	16.93	16.85	16.86	17.12	16.78	16.69
4500	15.94	15.90	15.81	15.43	15.32	15.61	15.61	15.72	15.17	15.04
5000	14.59	14.61	14.57	14.23	14.12	14.22	14.25	14.40	14.00	13.87
5500	13.61	13.68	13.90	13.76	13.75	13.05	13.15	13.47	13.47	13.39
6000	13.06	13.18	13.68	13.97	14.09	12.43	12.57	13.44	13.69	13.80
6200	13.12	13.24	13.83	14.31	14.50	12.44	12.58	13.59	14.02	14.22
6400	13.19	13.32	13.96	14.57	14.82	12.48	12.64	13.68	14.27	14.50
6600	13.37	13.53	14.30	14.96	15.20	12.70	12.86	14.09	14.75	15.04
6800	13.88	14.00	14.64	15.26	15.45	13.09	13.23	14.31	14.98	15.20
7000	14.38	14.51	15.03	15.48	15.63	13.71	13.84	14.67	15.22	15.38
7200	14.92	15.02	15.32	15.64	15.69	14.24	14.34	14.89	15.31	15.38
7400	15.42	15.50	15.45	15.62	15.60	14.64	14.71	14.84	15.11	15.16
7600	15.95	16.01	15.72	15.70	15.60	15.34	15.41	15.17	15.22	15.17
7800	16.32	16.34	15.82	15.64	15.46	15.67	15.67	15.08	14.91	14.79
8000	16.23	16.27	15.69	15.47	15.24	15.92	15.91	15.47	15.10	14.51
8100	16.21	16.22	15.69	15.43	15.20	16.09	16.11	15.18	14.78	14.51
8200	16.02	16.05	15.56	15.31	15.12	15.96	15.99	15.08	14.70	14.46
8400	15.52	15.55	15.16	15.03	14.89	15.42	15.46	14.68	14.35	14.15
8600	14.81	14.89	14.86	14.85	14.78	14.96	15.06	14.55	14.23	14.05
8800	14.21	14.33	14.60	14.78	14.77	14.27	14.45	14.40	14.30	14.20
9000	13.61	13.75	14.36	14.78	14.88	13.59	13.79	14.18	14.43	14.44
9200	13.22	13.35	14.12	14.76	14.93	13.19	13.42	14.23	14.76	14.87
9400	12.92	13.07	14.04	14.73	14.95	12.71	12.94	14.25	15.08	15.39
9600	12.79	12.93	13.95	14.63	14.87	12.61	12.85	14.39	15.50	15.97
9800	12.98	13.08	14.02	14.57	14.81	12.92	13.13	14.86	16.17	16.71
9900	13.38	13.49	14.30	14.79	15.01	13.12	13.33	15.06	16.42	17.03
10000	13.78	13.85	14.55	14.98	15.19	13.44	13.65	15.34	16.71	17.31
10600	16.19	16.16	15.91	15.80	15.84	16.78	16.85	18.00	18.84	19.24
10800	15.94	15.97	16.07	16.19	16.30	17.92	17.94	18.83	19.53	19.86
11000	16.00	16.15	16.82	17.41	17.67	18.39	18.46	19.10	19.47	19.69
11200	16.80	17.13	18.59	19.85	20.33	20.39	20.54	20.74	20.79	20.86
11400	18.92	19.46	22.39	24.71	25.46	24.36	25.14	26.60	26.41	26.24
11600	24.38	25.69	33.82	31.68	29.51	26.08	27.70	40.54	36.94	34.59
11700	30.33	33.41	36.37	27.14	25.43	24.94	25.78	28.16	27.25	26.91
12000	21.71	21.18	19.12	17.50	17.04	17.99	17.95	17.22	16.93	16.78
13000	9.82	9.92	10.41	10.63	10.78	10.62	10.76	10.67	10.26	10.11
14000	9.77	10.00	11.05	11.95	12.28	9.17	9.56	12.75	15.12	16.06
15000	11.78	11.98	12.77	13.51	13.72	13.81	13.90	12.85	12.71	12.55
16000	11.87	12.00	12.50	12.90	13.01	10.40	10.72	11.73	11.89	11.74
17000	12.63	12.78	13.34	13.93	14.19	10.25	10.53	12.80	15.49	16.83
17500	14.66	14.88	15.65	16.54	16.94	13.51	13.61	14.31	15.60	16.12
18000	19.97	20.42	22.06	23.27	23.82	20.57	20.48	17.36	16.19	15.81
18500	32.66	30.24	24.32	21.30	20.54	21.05	22.31	28.99	23.14	21.55
19000	15.66	15.39	14.21	13.12	12.83	17.13	17.59	19.89	20.40	20.53
20000	7.35	7.35	7.26	7.01	6.99	11.49	11.20	8.19	7.12	6.84
21000	4.78	4.86	5.27	5.07	5.12	4.54	4.80	5.38	4.88	4.58
21300	4.43	4.53	4.72	4.67	4.73	3.69	3.97	4.97	4.65	4.37
22000	4.25	4.30	4.38	4.59	4.70	2.54	2.77	4.78	6.06	6.14
23000	3.84	3.93	4.24	4.62	4.79	3.45	3.60	4.75	6.64	7.59
24000	3.72	3.84	4.32	4.92	5.12	5.09	5.18	4.44	4.35	4.39
25000	3.99	4.09	4.67	5.12	5.24	3.33	3.66	5.10	4.74	4.47
26000	4.87	4.95	5.29	5.32	5.37	3.05	3.37	6.81	8.42	8.13
27000	5.79	5.88	6.17	6.18	6.21	6.01	6.16	7.76	10.68	12.31
28000	6.43	6.56	7.03	7.53	7.68	13.30	12.95	7.32	6.02	5.80
29000	6.88	6.87	6.76	6.69	6.58	5.96	6.44	7.19	5.55	4.96
30000	5.53	5.57	5.67	5.32	5.19	4.06	4.34	6.93	7.93	7.21



Typical Performance Curves



All Mini-Circuits products are manufactured under exacting quality assurance and control standards, and are capable of meeting published specifications after being subjected to any or all of the following physical and environmental test.

Specification	Test/Inspection Condition	Reference/Spec
Operating Temperature	-40° to 85° C or -40° to 105° C or -55° to 105° C or -45° to 105° C Ambient Environment	Refer to Individual Model Data Sheet
Storage Environment (Die)	-65° to 150°C	Individual Model Data Sheet
Storage Environment(Packaging)	-40° to 70°C and 40 to 60% humidity (In Factory Shipped Package)	