

## Digital Attenuator 15.0 dB, 4-Bit, TTL Driver, DC-3.0 GHz

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#### **Features**

- Attenuation: 1 dB steps to 15 dB
- Temperature Stability: ± 0.18 dB from –55°C to +85°C Typical
- Low DC Power Consumption
- Hermetic Surface Mount Package
- Integral TTL Driver
- 50 Ohms Nominal Impedance
- Lead-Free CR-11 Package
- 260°C Reflow Compatible
- RoHS\* Compliant

## **Description**

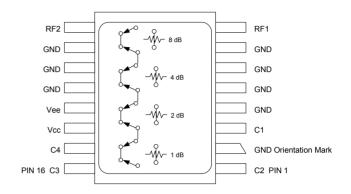
M/A-COM's AT-213-PIN is a 4-bit, 1 dB step digital attenuator in a hermetically sealed ceramic 16-lead surface mount package. The AT-213-PIN is ideally suited for use where high accuracy, fast switching, very low power consumption and low intermodulation products are required. Typical applications include dynamic range setting in a precision receiver circuits and other gain/leveling control circuits. Environmental screening is available. Contact the factory for information.

## Ordering Information

| Part Number | Package        |  |
|-------------|----------------|--|
| AT-213-PIN  | Bulk Packaging |  |

Note: Reference Application Note M513 for reel size information.

#### **Functional Schematic**



### **Pin Configuration**

| Pin No. | Function | Pin No. | Function |
|---------|----------|---------|----------|
| 1       | C2       | 9       | RF2      |
| 2       | GND      | 10      | GND      |
| 3       | C1       | 11      | GND      |
| 4       | GND      | 12      | GND      |
| 5       | GND      | 13      | Vee      |
| 6       | GND      | 14      | Vcc      |
| 7       | GND      | 15      | C4       |
| 8       | RF1      | 16      | C3       |

The metal bottom of the case must be connected to RF and DC ground.

<sup>\*</sup> Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, European Union Directive 2002/95/EC.

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## Electrical Specifications: $T_A = -55$ °C to +85°C<sup>1</sup>

| Parameter                         | Test Conditions  | Frequency  | Units   | Min         | Тур         | Max                      |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Reference Insertion Loss          | _  | DC - 0.5 GHz<br>DC - 1.0 GHz<br>DC - 2.0 GHz<br>DC - 3.0 GHz | dB<br>dB<br>dB<br>dB  | _<br>_<br>_ | _<br>_<br>_ | 1.7<br>1.9<br>2.2<br>2.5 |
| Attenuation Accuracy <sup>2</sup> | Any Single Bit  Any Combination of Bits                        | DC - 2.0 GHz<br>DC - 3.0 GHz<br>DC - 2.0 GHz<br>DC - 3.0 GHz | ± (0.15 dB +3% of atten setting in dB) dB<br>± (0.2 dB +3% of atten setting in dB) dB<br>Or ± 0.4 dB, whichever is greater<br>± (0.2 dB +3% of atten setting in dB) dB<br>± (0.2 dB +3% of atten setting in dB) dB<br>Or ± 0.4 dB, whichever is greater |             |             |                          |
| VSWR                              | _  | _  | Ratio   | _           | _           | 1.6:1                    |
| Trise, Tfall                      | 10% to 90%   | _  | ns  | _           | 9           | _                        |
| Ton, Toff                         | 50% Control to 90/10% RF                                       | _  | ns  | _           | 40          | _                        |
| Transients                        | In-Band (peak-peak)  | _  | mV  | _           | 30          | _                        |
| 1 dB Compression                  | Input Power<br>Input Power                                     | 0.05 GHz<br>0.5 - 3.0 GHz                                    | dBm<br>dBm  | _           | +22<br>+28  | _                        |
| Input IP3                         | For two-tone Input Power<br>Up to +5 dBm                       | 0.05 GHz<br>0.5 - 3.0 GHz                                    | dBm<br>dBm  | _           | +40<br>+50  | _                        |
| Input IP2                         | For two-tone Input Power<br>Up to +5 dBm                       | 0.05 GHz<br>0.5 - 3.0 GHz                                    | dBm<br>dBm  | _           | +45<br>+68  | _                        |
| Vcc                               | _  | _  | V   | 4.5         | 5.0         | 5.5                      |
| Vee                               | _  | _  | V   | -8.0        | _           | -5.0                     |
| Icc                               | Vcc = 4.5 to 5.5V<br>Vctl = 0 to 0.8V, or Vcc –<br>2.1V to Vcc | _  | mA  | _           | _           | 4.0                      |
| lee                               | Vee = -5.0 to -8.0V  | _  | mA  | _           | _           | 1.0                      |
| Vctl<br>Vctl                      | Logic 0 (TTL)<br>Logic 1 (TTL)                                 | =  | V<br>V  | 0.0<br>2.0  | _           | 0.8<br>5.0               |
| Input Leakage Current (Low)       | 0 to 0.8V  | _  | μA  | _           | _           | 1.0                      |
| Input Leakage Current (High)      | 2.0 to 5.0V  | _  | μA  | _           | _           | 1.0                      |

<sup>1.</sup> All specifications apply when operated with bias voltages of +5V for Vcc and -5.0V for Vee.

<sup>2.</sup> This attenuator is guaranteed monotonic.



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## **Absolute Maximum Ratings** 3,4

| Parameter                                   | Absolute Maximum                      |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Max Input Power<br>0.5 GHz<br>0.5 - 3.0 GHz | +27 dBm<br>+34 dBm                    |
| V <sub>CC</sub>                             | -0.5V ≤ V <sub>CC</sub> ≤ +7.0V       |
| V <sub>EE</sub>                             | -8.5V ≤ V <sub>EE</sub> ≤ +0.5V       |
| V <sub>CC</sub> - V <sub>EE</sub>           | $-0.5V \le V_{CC} - V_{EE} \le 14.5V$ |
| Vin <sup>5</sup>                            | $-0.5V \le Vin \le V_{CC} + 0.5V$     |
| Operating Temperature                       | -55°C to +125°C                       |
| Storage Temperature                         | -65°C to +150°C                       |

- 3. Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.
- M/A-COM does not recommend sustained operation near these survivability limits.
- Standard CMOS TTL interface, latch-up will occur if logic signal is applied prior to power supply.

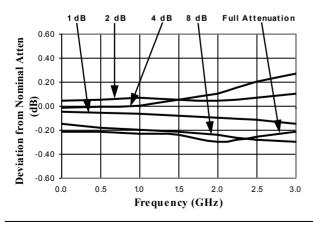
## **Handling Procedures**

Please observe the following precautions to avoid damage:

## **Static Sensitivity**

Gallium Arsenide Integrated Circuits are sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD) and can be damaged by static electricity. Proper ESD control techniques should be used when handling these devices.

#### Attenuation Accuracy vs. Frequency



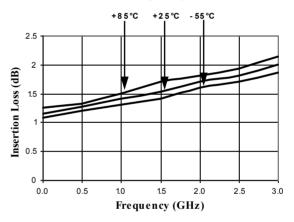
## **Truth Table (Digital Attenuator)**

| Control Inputs |    |    |    |             |
|----------------|----|----|----|-------------|
| C4             | С3 | C2 | C1 | Attenuation |
| 0              | 0  | 0  | 0  | Reference   |
| 0              | 0  | 0  | 1  | 1 dB        |
| 0              | 0  | 1  | 0  | 2 dB        |
| 0              | 1  | 0  | 0  | 4 dB        |
| 1              | 0  | 0  | 0  | 8 dB        |
| 1              | 1  | 1  | 1  | 15 dB       |

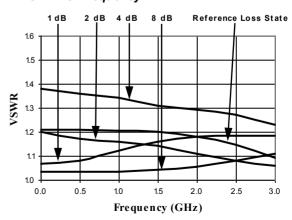
0 = TTL Low; 1 = TTL High

## **Typical Performance Curves**

#### Ref. Insertion Loss vs. Frequency



#### RF1 VSWR vs. Frequency



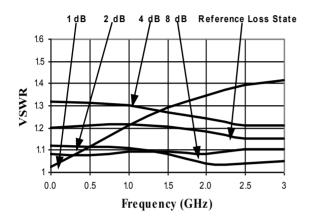


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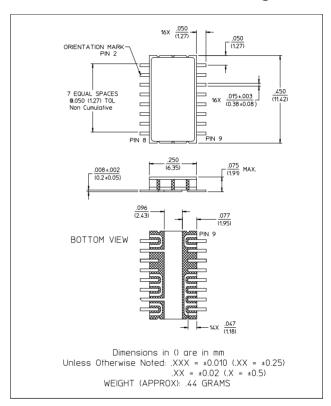
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### **Typical Performance Curves**

#### RF2 VSWR vs. Frequency



## Lead-Free, CR-11 Ceramic Package<sup>†</sup>



<sup>†</sup> Reference Application Note M538 for lead-free solder reflow recommendations.

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