

AM1016A – Amplifier

20 MHz to 6 GHz Gain Block

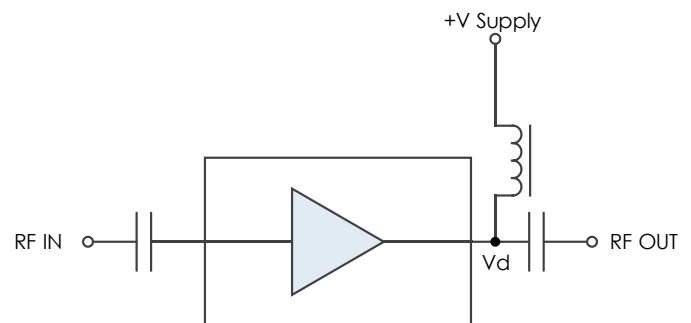


AM1016A is a high dynamic range cascadable gain block covering the 20 MHz to 6 GHz frequency range. It operates from a +3.3 VDC supply and exhibits a flat frequency response and high third order intercept performance while also providing excellent gain stability over the operating temperature range. With internal 50Ω matching and packaged in a 3mm QFN or a shielded module, the AM1016A represents a compact total PCB footprint.

FEATURES

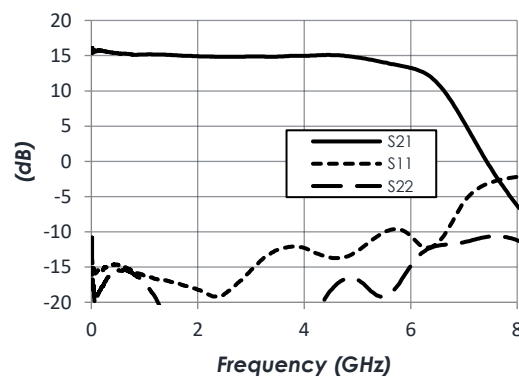
- 15 dB Gain
- 2.5 dB Noise Figure
- +30 dBm OIP3
- +18 dBm P1dB
- +19 dBm PSat
- +3.3V, 55 mA
- 3mm QFN Package
- -40C to +85C Operation
- Unconditionally Stable

FUNCTIONAL DIAGRAM

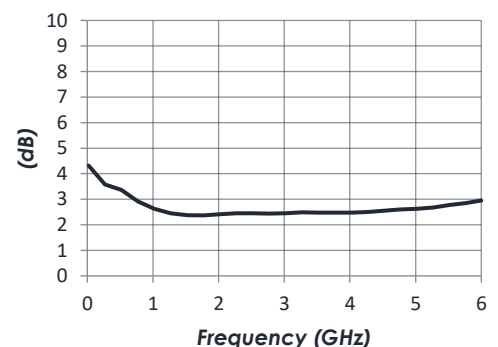


CHARACTERISTIC PERFORMANCE

Gain and Return Loss at +25C



Noise Figure at +25C



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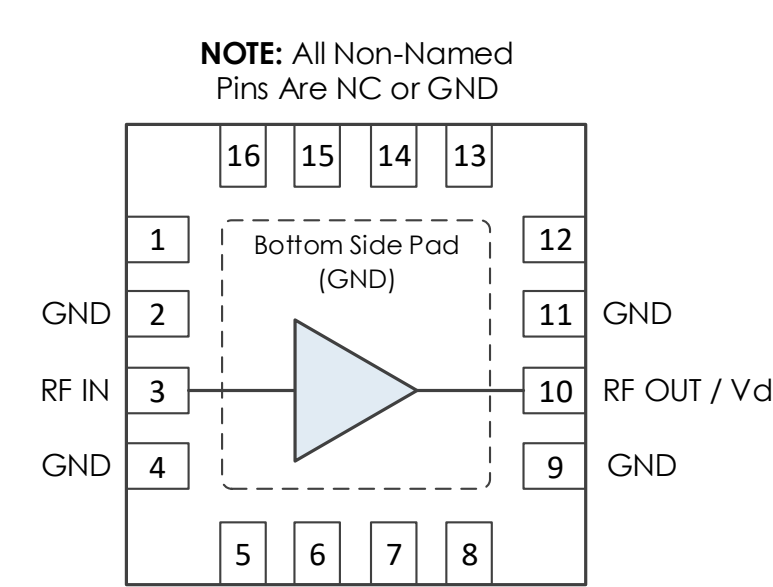
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REVISION HISTORY

| Date | Revision | Notes |
|-------------------|----------|---|
| December 13, 2017 | A | Initial Release |
| December 17, 2017 | A1 | Formatting Changes |
| August 2, 2019 | 2 | Updated to Latest 2ADatasheet Format. Min/Typ/Max Current Values Changed. RF-Shielded Module Information Added |
| November 26, 2019 | 2A | Updated Description to include shielded module packaging |
| November 7, 2024 | 3 | Changed to Mercury branding. No content changes. |

PIN LAYOUT AND DEFINITIONS



| Pin | Name | Function |
|--|-------------|---|
| 1 | NC | Not Connected* |
| 2 | GND | Ground - Common |
| 3 | RF IN | RF Input - 50 ohms - DC Coupled, External DC Block Required |
| 4 | GND | Ground - Common |
| 5 - 8 | NC | Not Connected* |
| 9 | GND | Ground - Common |
| 10 | RF OUT / Vd | RF Output and DC Power Input - 50 ohms - DC Coupled, External DC Block Required |
| 11 | GND | Ground - Common |
| 12 - 16 | NC | Not Connected* |
| Bottom Pad | GND | Ground - Common |
| *Note: NC pins may be grounded or left open | | |

SPECIFICATIONS

Absolute Maximum Ratings

| | Minimum | Maximum |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Device Voltage, Vd | 0.0 V | +4.0 V |
| RF Input Power | | +15 dBm |
| Operating Junction Temperature | -40 C | +150 C |
| Storage Temperature Range | -50C | +150 C |

Note: Any device operation beyond the Absolute Maximum Ratings may result in permanent damage to the device. The values listed in this table are extremes and do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond what is listed under Recommended Operating Conditions. Any part subjected to conditions outside of what is recommended for an extended amount of time may suffer from reliability concerns.

Handling Information

| | Minimum | Maximum |
|---|---------|---------|
| Storage Temperature Range (Recommended) | -50 C | +125 C |
| Moisture Sensitivity Level | MSL 3 | |

Recommended Operating Conditions

| | Minimum | Typical | Maximum |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Supply Voltage, Vsupply | +3.0 V | +3.3 V | +3.8 V |
| Device Voltage, Vd | +2.7V | +3.0 V | +3.5 V |
| Operating Case Temperature | -40 C | +25 C | +85 C |
| Operating Junction Temperature | -40 C | | +125 C |

Thermal Information

| Thermal Resistance (°C / W) | |
|---|-----|
| Junction to Case Thermal Resistance (θ_{JC}) | 137 |



Mercury products are electrostatic sensitive.
Follow safe handling practices to avoid damage.

DC Electrical Characteristics

(T = 25 °C unless otherwise specified)

| Param | Testing Conditions | Min | Typical | Max. |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------|---------|--------|
| Device Voltage, Vd | | +2.7 V | +3.0 V | +3.5 V |
| DC Supply Current | Vsupply = +3.3 V | 50 mA | 55 mA | 70 mA |
| Power Dissipated | Vsupply = +3.3 V | 0.17 W | 0.18 W | 0.23 W |

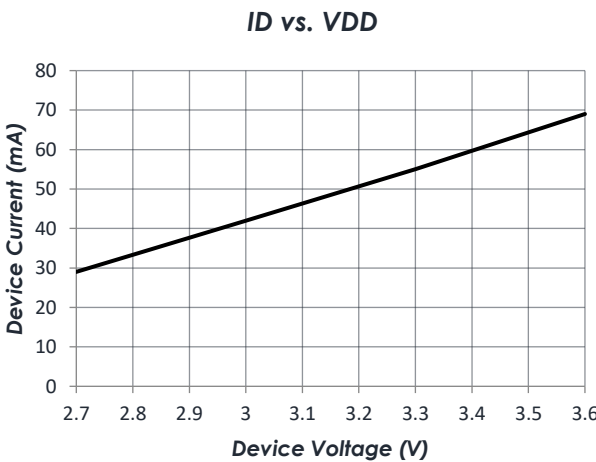
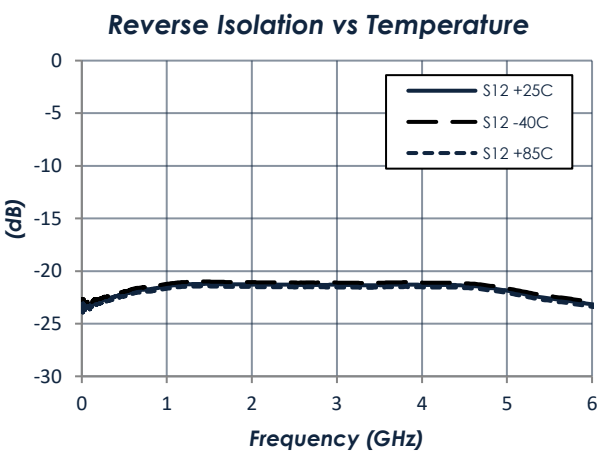
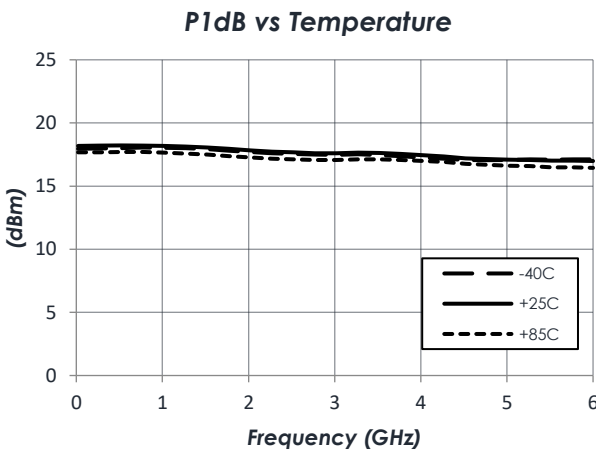
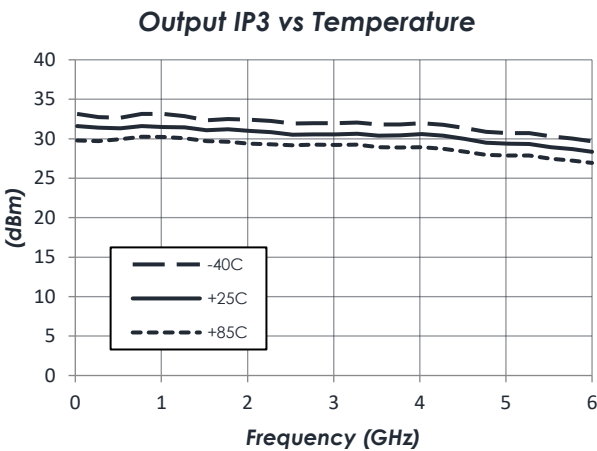
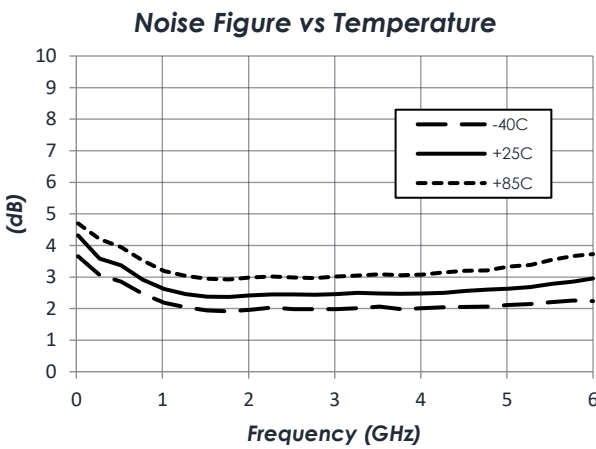
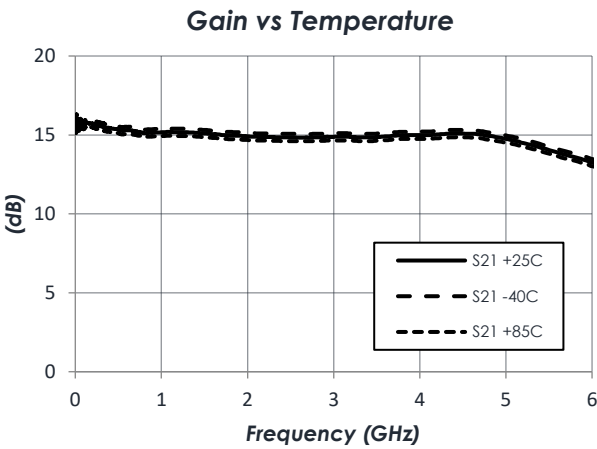
RF Performance

(T = 25 °C unless otherwise specified)

| Param | Testing Conditions | Min | Typical | Max. |
|-----------------|--------------------|--------|---------|-------|
| Frequency Range | | 20 MHz | | 6 GHz |
| Gain | f = 3 GHz | | 15 dB | |
| Output IP3 | f = 3 GHz | | +30 dB | |
| Output P1dB | f = 3 GHz | | +17 dB | |
| Noise Figure | f = 3 GHz | | 2.5 dB | |

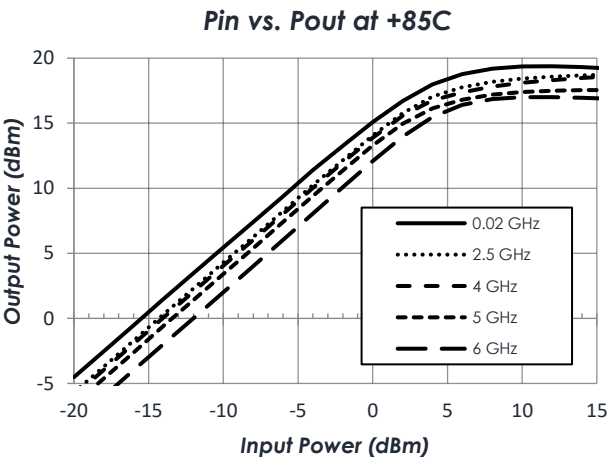
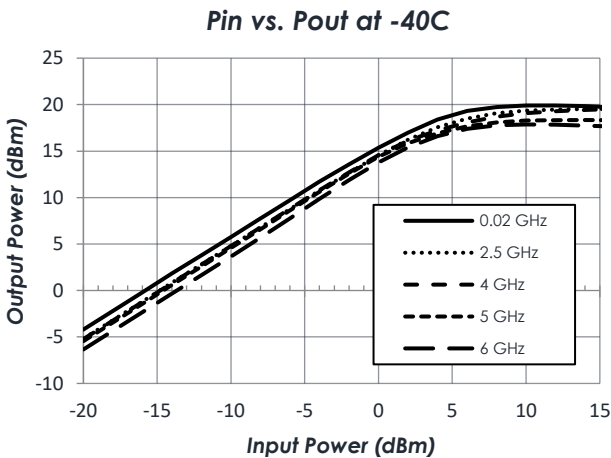
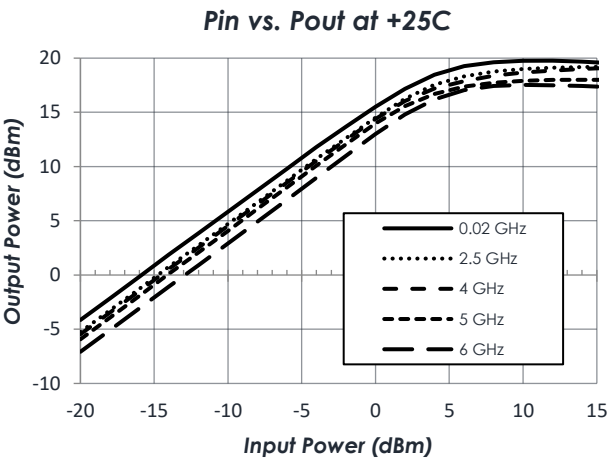
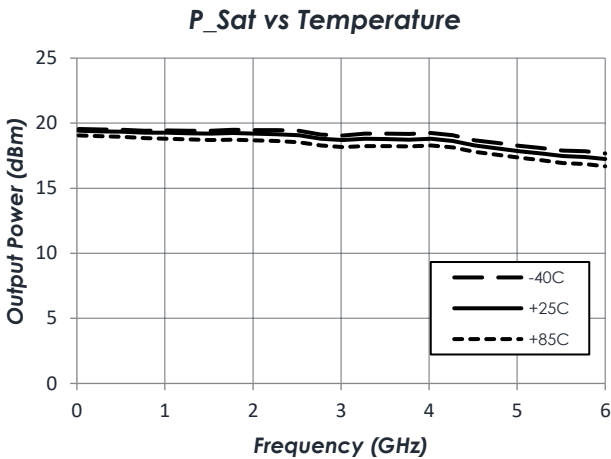
TYPICAL PERFORMANCE

(Vd = +3.0V, ID=55mA)

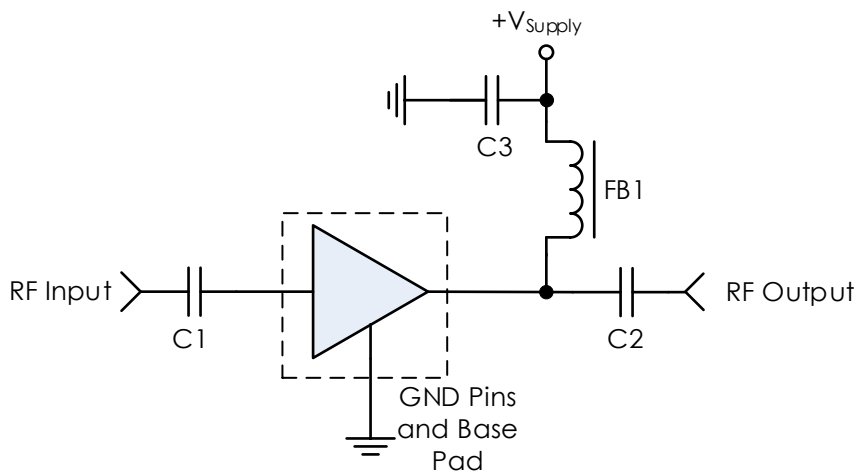


TYPICAL PERFORMANCE (continued)

(Vd = +3.0V, ID=55mA)



TYPICAL APPLICATION



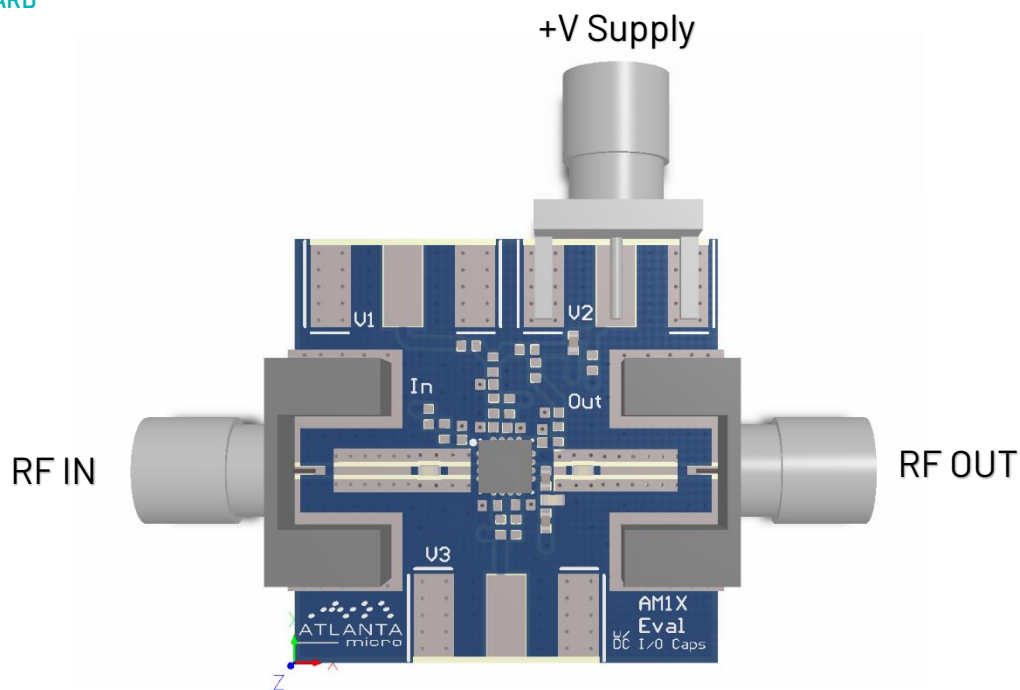
RECOMMENDED COMPONENT LIST (OR EQUIVALENT)

| Part | Value | Part Number | Manufacturer |
|--------|-------------|-------------------|---------------|
| C1, C2 | 0.1 μ F | 0402BB104KW160 | Passives Plus |
| C3 | 0.1 μ F | GRM155R71C104KA88 | Murata |
| FB1 | - | MMZ1005A222E | TDK |

Notes:

1. NC pins may be grounded or left open.
2. DC blocking capacitors should be high performance, low-loss, broadband capacitors for optimum performance.

EVALUATION PC BOARD



RELATED PARTS

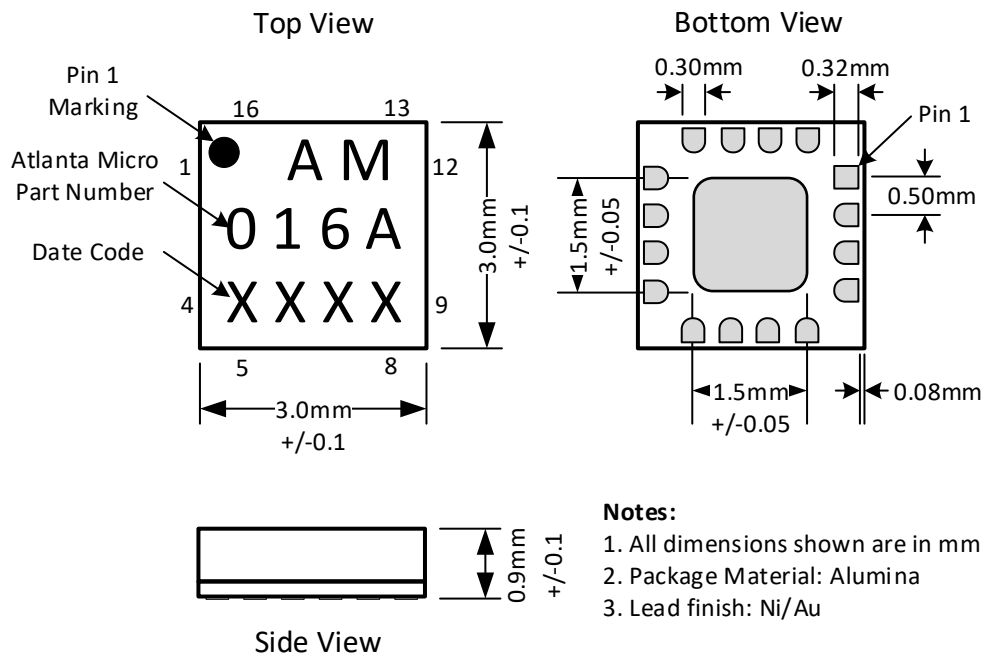
| Part Number | | Description |
|-------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| AM1016B | 20 MHz to 6 GHz | +3.3V Gain Block |
| AM1018A | 20 MHz to 6 GHz | +3.t Gain Block |
| AM1018B | 20 MHz to 6 GHz | +5.0V Gain Block |
| AM1018C | 20 MHz to 6 GHz | +5.0V Gain Block |
| AM1025B | 20 MHz to 3 GHz | +8.0V Gain Block (High P1dB) |
| AM1031C | 20 MHz to 8 GHz | +3.3V Gain Block |
| AM1063-1 | DC to 10 GHz | Gain Block |
| AM1064-1 | DC to 8 GHz | Gain Block |
| AM1085 | DC to 6 GHz | +5.0V Gain Block |
| AM1090 | DC to 6 GHz | +5.0V or +8.0V Gain Blo ck |

PARTS ORDERING DETAILS

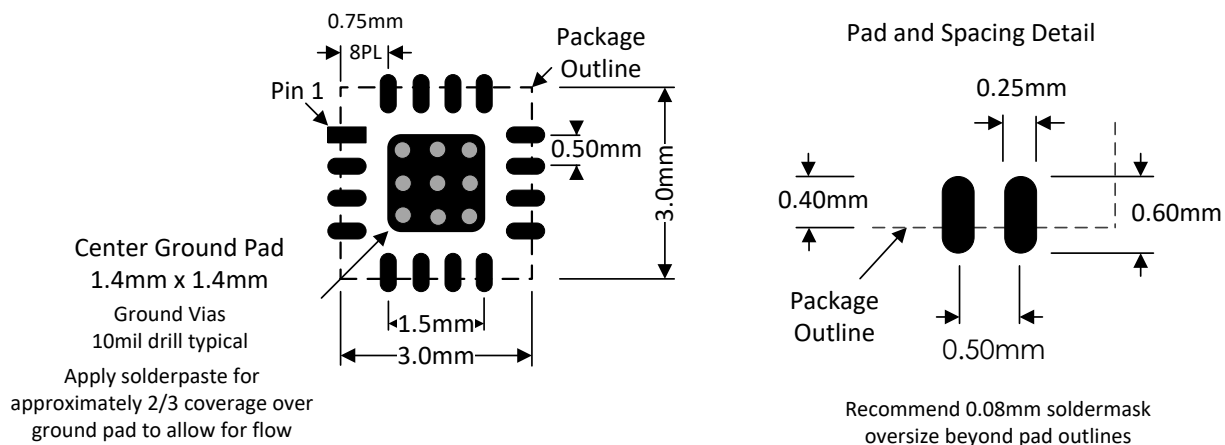
| Description | Part Number |
|--|--------------|
| 4mm 24 Lead QFN | AM1016A |
| AM1016A Evaluation Board | AM1016A Eval |
| AM1016A in 0.95" x 1.13" x 0.6" RF-Shielded Module with Integrated Bias Tee and Field Replaceable SMA Connectors | AM1016A-M |

3mm 16 Lead QFN Details

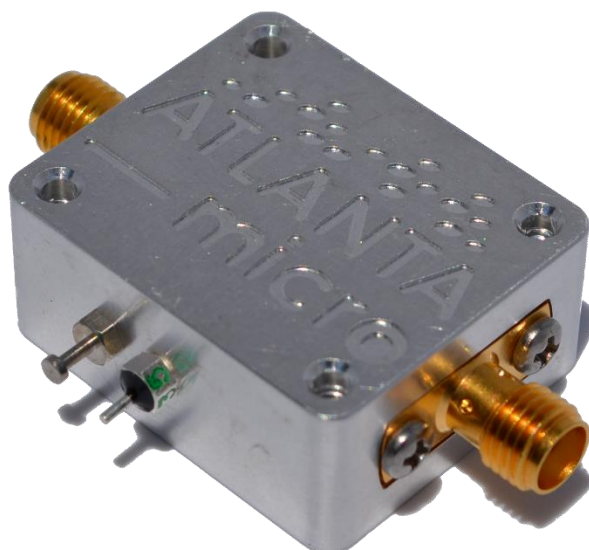
Package Drawing



Recommended Footprint

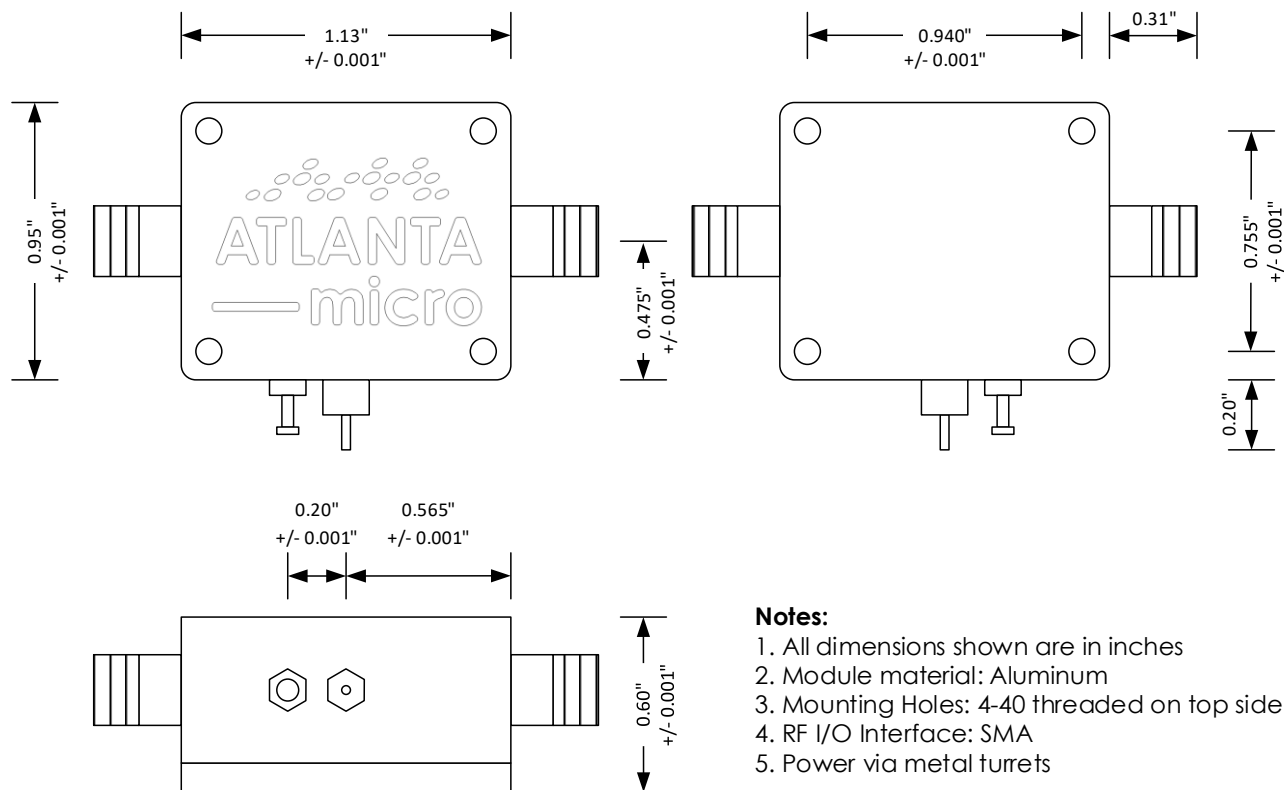


RF SHIELDED MODULE DETAILS



Top View

Bottom View



Front View

Notes:

1. All dimensions shown are in inches
2. Module material: Aluminum
3. Mounting Holes: 4-40 threaded on top side
4. RF I/O Interface: SMA
5. Power via metal turrets

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| Hexavalent Chromium (CrVI) | <1000 PPM (0.1% by weight) |
| Polybrominated Biphenyls (PBB) | <1000 PPM (0.1% by weight) |
| Polybrominated Diphenyl ethers (PBDE) | <1000 PPM (0.1% by weight) |
| Decabromodiphenyl Deca BDE | <1000 PPM (0.1% by weight) |
| Bis (2-ethylhexyl) Phthalate (DEHP) | <1000 PPM (0.1% by weight) |
| Butyl Benzyl Phthalate (BBP) | <1000 PPM (0.1% by weight) |
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