

Broadband Amplifier for 13 and 9 cm
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The following described amplifier is useful as a preamplifier, but also as a linear amplifier for 13 or 9cm. The transistor is a HXTR 3101. This transistor costs about 15 german mark. The box-dimensions and the technical dates are shown at fig. 1.

The construction of the amplifier is very easy and absolutely uncritical at using. The print board is made of RT5880 Duroid, with a thickness of 0.79 mm. The layout is shown at fig. 3 and the circuit at fig. 2.

If the amplifier is used as a preamplifier the collector current has to be 10mA. The noise figure at 13cm amounts 3dB and at 9 cm about 4 dB. The gain on 13 cm is abt. 10 dB and at 9 abt. 8 dB. Fig. 4 shows the transmission characteristics from 2 - 4 GHz with the marks for 13 and 9.

Fig 5 shows the transmission characteristics from 10 MHz to 20 GHz. the line REF 1 is the marker for 0 dB gain. The mark on the transmission character shows the Odb gain point at 4519 MHz.

If the amplifier is used as a power amplifier it is possible to set the collector current to 20mA and the output is now abt. 35 mW, at 3dB compression on 13, or 30mW on 9.

HXTR 3101, board and SMA jacks are obtainable by DL 7 QY, order price list with stamped envelope.

Recommended Maximum
Continuous Operating
Conditions⁽¹⁾

Symbol	Parameter	Value
V _{CBO}	Collector to Base Voltage	25V
V _{CEO}	Collector to Emitter Voltage	16V
V _{EBO}	Emitter to Base Voltage	1.0V
I _C	DC Collector Current	30mA
P _T	Total Device Dissipation	300mW
T _J	Junction Temperature ⁽²⁾	200°C
T _{STG}	Storage Temperature	-65°C to +150°C

Notes

1 Operation of this device in excess of any one of these conditions is likely to reduce device median time to failure, MTTF, to below the design goal of 1 x 10⁷ hours at T_J = 175°C based on Activation Energy = 1.5 eV.

2 Total H_A, Junction-to-Ambient, will be dependent upon the heat sinking provided in the individual application

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Absolute Maximum Ratings*

Symbol	Parameter	Value
V _{CBO}	Collector to Base Voltage	30V
V _{CEO}	Collector to Emitter Voltage	18V
V _{EBO}	Emitter to Base Voltage	1.5V
I _C	DC Collector Current	50mA
P _T	Total Device Dissipation	600mW
T _J	Junction Temperature	200°C
T _{STG}	Storage Temperature	200°C

*Operation in excess of any one of these conditions may result in permanent damage to this device

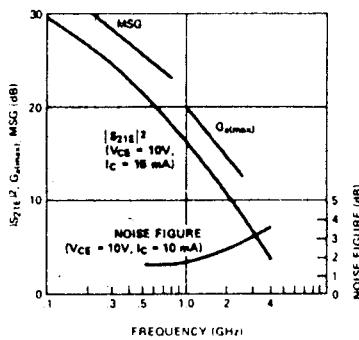


Figure 1. Typical S_{21E} vs. Frequency
and Noise Figure vs. Frequency

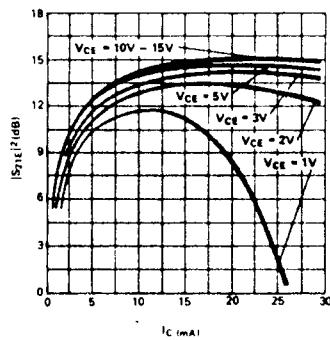


Figure 2. Typical S_{21E} vs. Current
at 1000 MHz

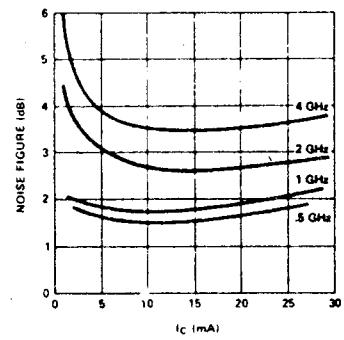


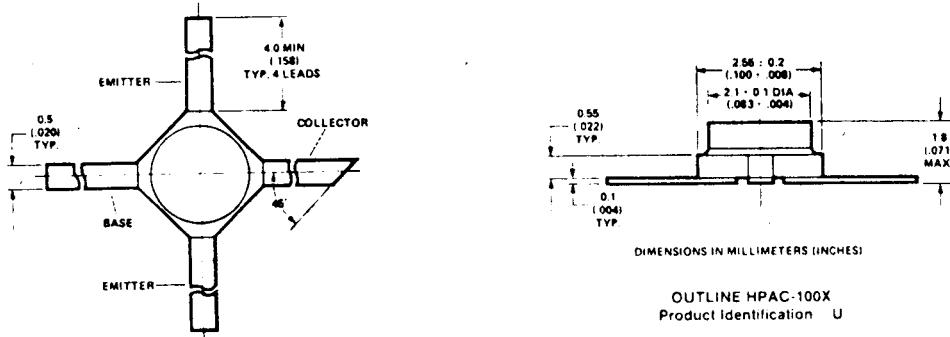
Figure 3. Typical Noise Figure vs.
Collector Current. V_{CE} = 10V

Typical S-Parameters V_{CE} = 10 V, I_C = 10 mA

Freq. (MHz)	S ₁₁		S ₂₁		S ₁₂		S ₂₂	
	Mag.	Ang.	(dB)	Mag.	Ang.	(dB)	Mag.	Ang.
100	0.705	-50	27.7	24.266	149	-36.7	0.015	60
300	0.606	-110	23.5	14.962	116	-30.4	0.030	43
500	0.565	-139	20.1	10.116	101	-28.9	0.036	41
800	0.559	-162	16.5	8.683	89	-27.4	0.043	43
1000	0.571	-169	14.5	5.330	78	-25.7	0.052	44
1500	0.574	-174	11.2	3.627	83	-23.6	0.066	48
2000	0.591	-161	8.9	2.774	49	-21.9	0.080	48
3000	0.619	-143	5.7	1.936	25	-18.8	0.115	45
4000	0.639	-125	3.4	1.468	1	-16.2	0.155	39

V_{CE} = 10 V, I_C = 15 mA

Freq. (MHz)	S ₁₁		S ₂₁		S ₁₂		S ₂₂	
	Mag.	Ang.	(dB)	Mag.	Ang.	(dB)	Mag.	Ang.
100	0.641	-60	29.5	29.854	144	-37.6	0.013	57
300	0.565	-122	24.5	16.788	112	-31.8	0.026	44
500	0.551	-149	20.7	10.839	98	-30.1	0.031	44
800	0.553	-166	17.1	7.161	87	-28.1	0.039	50
1000	0.560	-175	15.1	5.709	77	-26.4	0.048	49
1500	0.564	-171	11.8	3.869	62	-23.6	0.066	54
2000	0.583	-159	9.4	2.955	49	-21.6	0.083	52
3000	0.611	-142	6.3	2.058	26	-18.4	0.120	47
4000	0.633	-124	4.0	1.587	2	-15.9	0.160	39

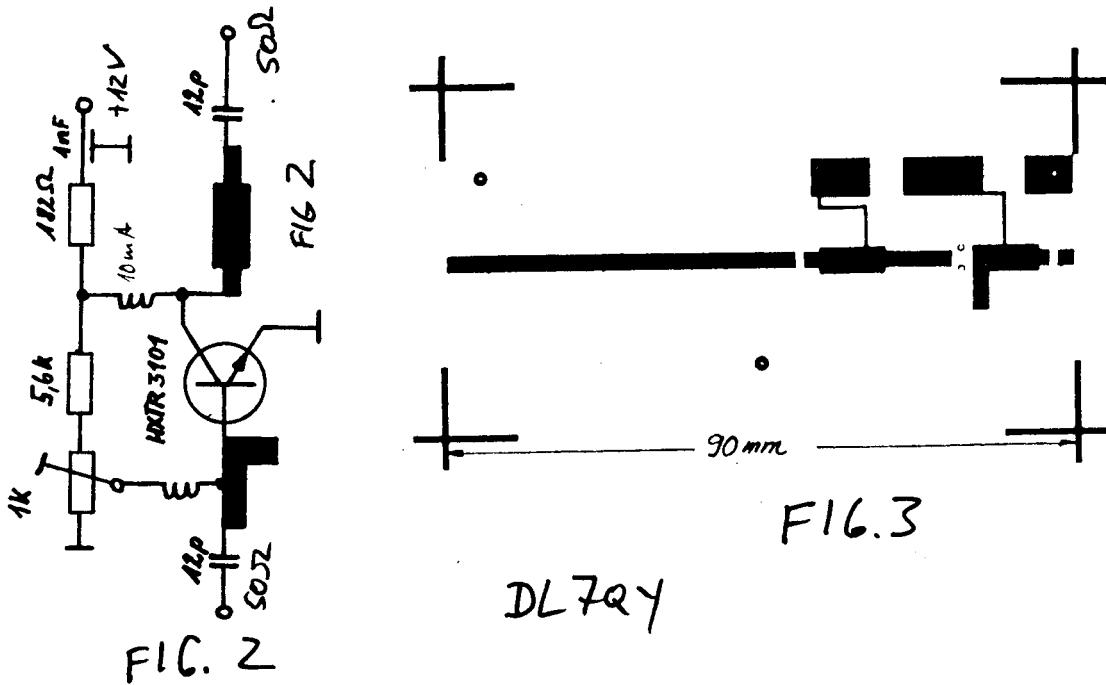


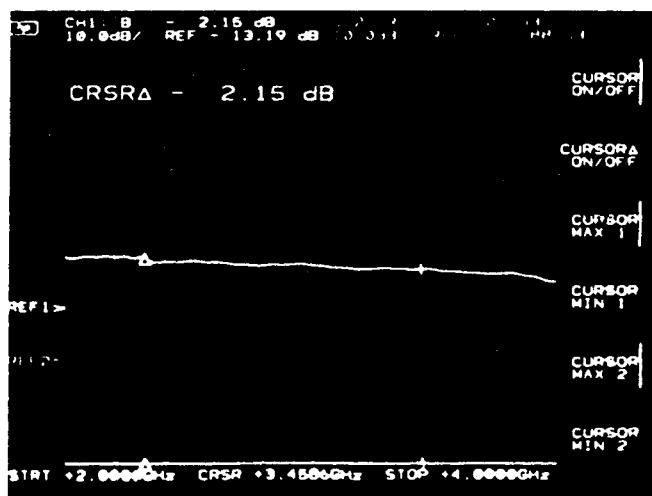
Electrical Specifications at T_{CASE} = 25°C

Symbol	Parameters and Test Conditions	MIL-STD-750 Test Method	Units	Min.	Typ.	Max.
BVCBO	Collector-Base Breakdown Voltage at I _C = 100 μA	3001 1*	V	30		
I _{CBO}	Collector-Base Cutoff Current at V _{CE} = 15 V	3036 1**	nA			500
HFE	Forward Current Transfer Ratio at V _{CE} = 10 V, I _C = 10 mA	3076 1*		50		180
f _T	Gain Bandwidth Product at V _{CE} = 10 V, I _C = 15 mA		GHz		6	
S _{21E} ²	Transducer Gain at 1000 MHz at V _{CE} = 10 V, I _C = 15 mA		dB		15	
F _{MIN}	Minimum Noise Figure at 1000 MHz at V _{CE} = 10 V, I _C = 10 mA		dB		1.8	
MAG	Maximum Available Gain at 1000 MHz at V _{CE} = 10 V, I _C = 15 mA		dB		19.5	

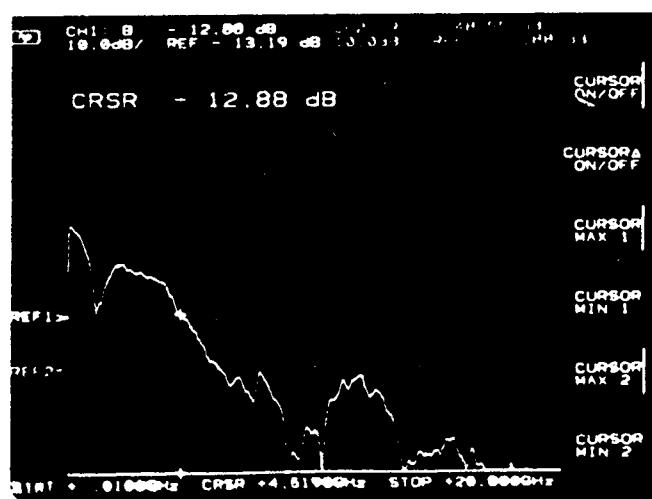
*300 μs wide pulse measurement - 2% duty cycle

**Measured under low ambient light conditions





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