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THIN FILM SURFACE MOUNT

# Band Pass Filter

**ABF-9R3G+**

50Ω 9.2 to 9.4GHz

## KEY FEATURES

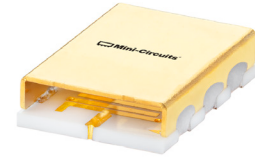
- Low Passband Insertion Loss of 1.2 dB Typ.
- High Rejection of 53 dB Typ.
- Good Return Loss of 15 dB Typ.
- Small Size, 5.59 x 8.13 x 2.03 mm

## APPLICATIONS

- Phased Array SATCOM Antenna.
- Ground Antenna for weather satellites both commercial & military.
- Test and Measurement Equipment

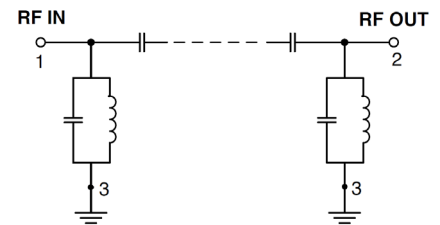
## PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Mini-Circuits' Surface Mount Thin-Film filters offer low insertion loss and high rejection realized via Thin-Film on Alumina substrate, using a sputtering process that can guarantee an enhanced Q and repeatable performance. Low pass, high pass, and bandpass surface mount thin-film designs can be realized with this technology up to 40 GHz in a small form factor helping customers achieve their SWaP objectives. Using our high quality thin-film manufacturing process we can guarantee repeatability on large batches of filters.



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## FUNCTIONAL DIAGRAM



## ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS<sup>1,2</sup> AT +25°C

| Parameter        |                               | F#    | Frequency (GHz) | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Units |
|------------------|-------------------------------|-------|-----------------|------|------|------|-------|
| Pass Band        | Center Frequency <sup>3</sup> | —     | —               | —    | 9.3  | —    | GHz   |
|                  | Insertion Loss                | F1-F2 | 9.2 - 9.4       | —    | 1.2  | 2.4  | dB    |
|                  | Return Loss                   | F1-F2 | 9.2 - 9.4       | —    | 15   | —    | dB    |
| Stop Band, Lower | Rejection                     | DC-F3 | DC - 6.5        | 43   | 53   | —    | dB    |
|                  |                               | F3-F4 | 6.5 - 7.8       | 20   | 35   | —    |       |
| Stop Band, Upper | Rejection                     | F5-F6 | 10.7 - 12       | 20   | 32   | —    | dB    |
|                  |                               | F6-F7 | 12 - 17         | 33   | 42   | —    |       |
|                  |                               | F7-F8 | 17 - 19         | —    | 30   | —    |       |

1. Tested in Evaluation Board P/N TB-ABF-9R3G+ with feedline losses removed by normalization of S12 and S21 traces to measurement of TB thru-line.

2. This filter is bi-directional RF1 and RF2 ports may be interchanged, see S-Parameters for actual performance.

3. Typical variation  $\pm 3\%$

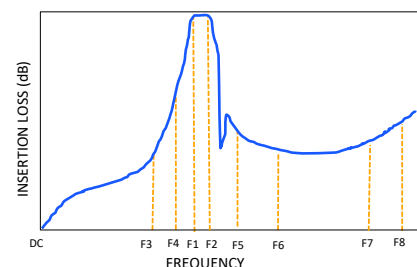
## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS<sup>4</sup>

| Parameter                | Ratings           |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Operating Temperature    | -55 °C to +125 °C |
| Storage Temperature      | -55 °C to +125 °C |
| Input Power <sup>5</sup> | 1W Max. at 25°C   |

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

5. Power rating applies only to signals within the passband.

## TYPICAL FREQUENCY RESPONSE AT +25°C



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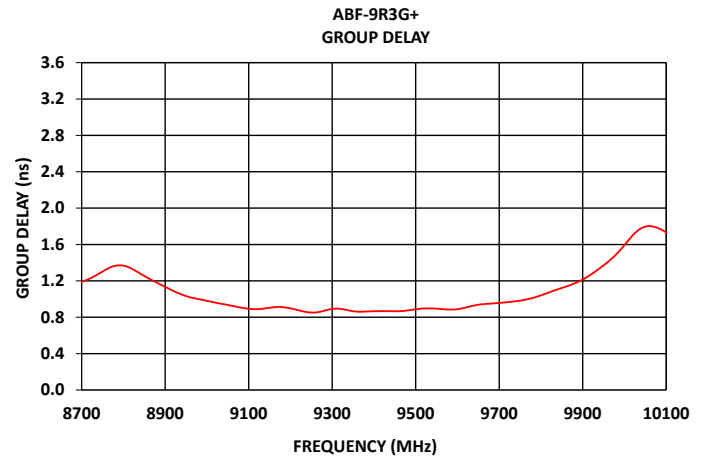
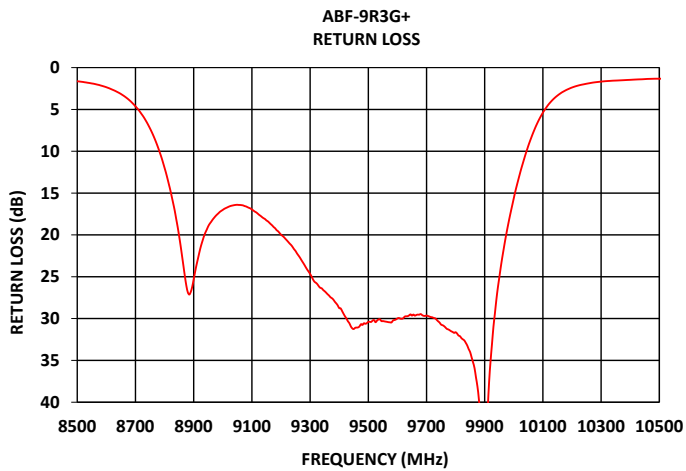
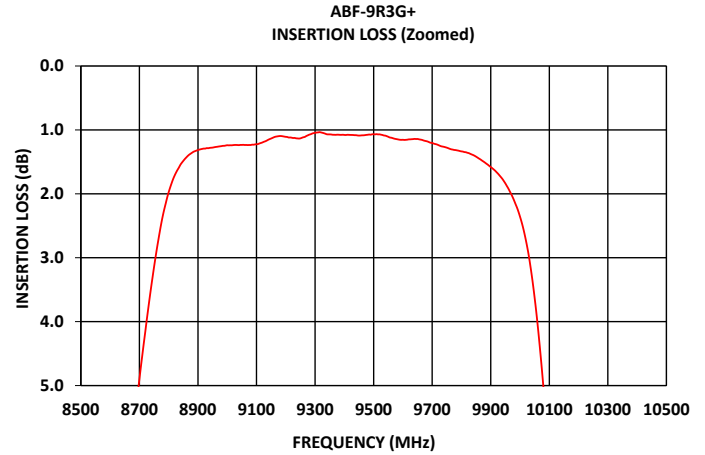
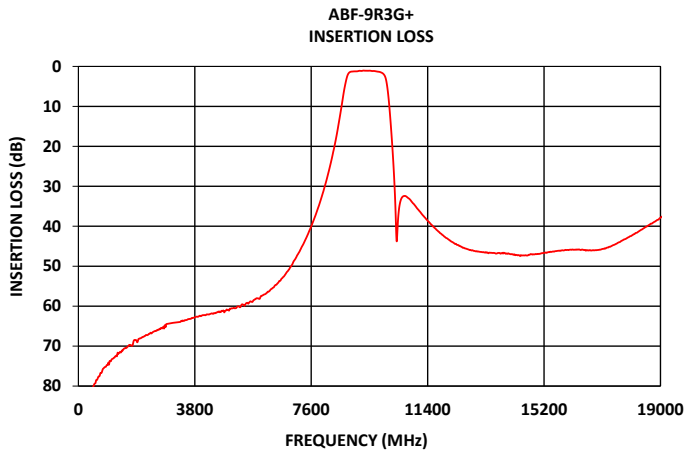
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## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE GRAPHS AT +25°C





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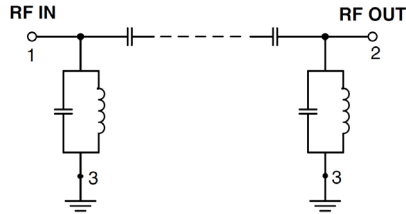
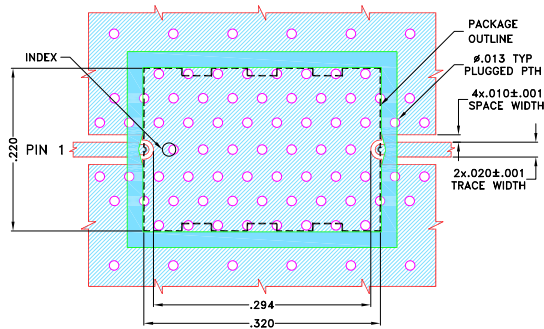


Figure 1. ABF-9R3G+ Functional Diagram

## PAD DESCRIPTION

| Function         | Pad Number | Description                                                                        |
|------------------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| RF1 <sup>2</sup> | 1          | Connects to RF Input Port                                                          |
| RF2 <sup>2</sup> | 2          | Connects to RF Output Port                                                         |
| GROUND           | 3          | Connects to Ground on PCB,<br>(See drawing PL-652)                                 |
| NC               | —          | No connection, not used internally.<br>See drawing PL-652 for connection<br>to PCB |

## SUGGESTED PCB LAYOUT (PL-652)

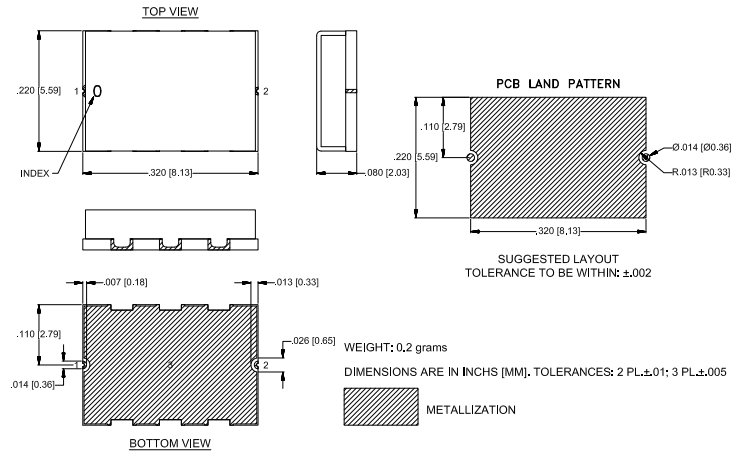


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Figure 2. Suggested PCB Layout PL-652

## CASE STYLE DRAWING

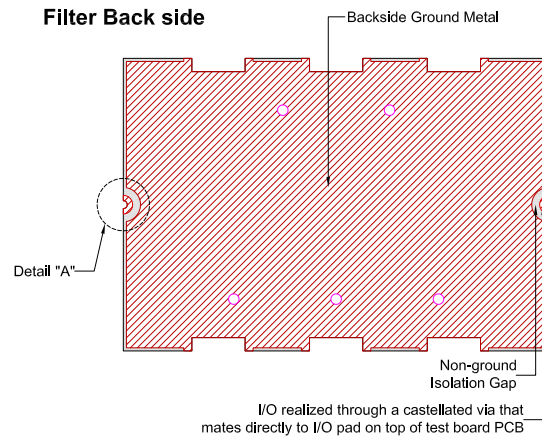


## PRODUCT MARKING\*: ABF-9R3G

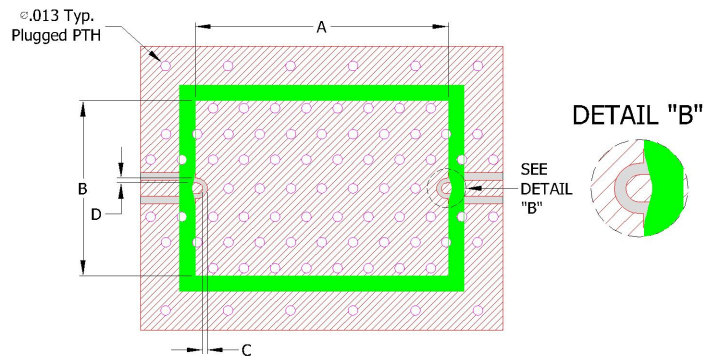
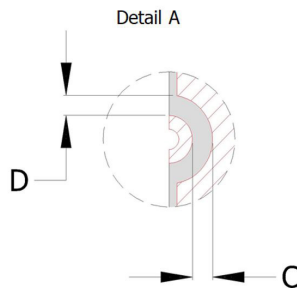
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## RECOMMENDED PCB LAYOUT PATTERN FOR FILTER



## PCB Pattern Recommendations

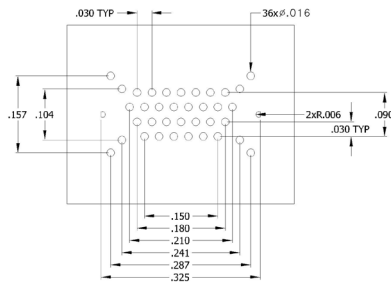
Filter RF I/O Detail  
(Filter Back Side)

- 1) Customer PCB's ground pattern length (dimension A) can be similar to filter length.
- 2) Customer PCB's ground pattern width (dimension B) can be similar filter width.
- 3) Dimensions C and D on Filter RF I/O detail and Customer PCB pattern can be closely match. The dimensions of C and D on the Customer PCB pattern can be slightly larger to account for component alignment tolerance (ground metal can be pulled back from RF I/O trace).
- 4) Recommend to use Solder mask at Customer PCB at outer area of filter pattern/ footprint with a clearance of about 1.25mil at each side. (Tighter registration tolerance required for solder mask)
- 5) Recommended to use Solder mask at I/O of Customer PCB as per above diagram (refer detail B).

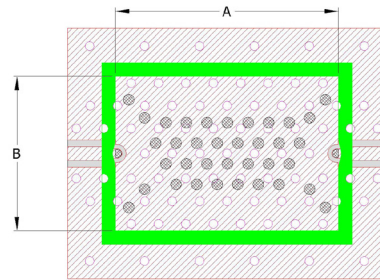
**COMMENTS ON COMPONENT HANDLING AND SOLDER ATTACH**

- 1) Avoid using soldering iron directly to the ceramic filter. This would lead to development of crack in the component due to thermal shock.
- 2) Vacuum pick-up tool or plastic tweezers are recommended for handling the components. Extra care should be taken not to scratch the filter or metal area.
- 3) Use 2-3 mil thickness stencil plate and screen print the solder. Refer below picture for recommended stencil pattern to get the best solder attachment.

Stencil opening drawing



Solder location after screen print



- 4) Plugged ground vias in the PWB will improve attachment consistency.
- 5) Recommended to have a similar or closer test board material and thickness (refer Mini-Circuits evaluation board for details) to minimize the CTE over the temperature range.



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|                                 |                                                                         |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Performance Data and Graphs     | Data                                                                    |
|                                 | Graphs                                                                  |
|                                 | S-Parameter (S2P Files) Data Set (.zip file) De-embedded to device pads |
| Case Style                      | UC2731 Lead Finish: Gold over Nickel plate                              |
| RoHS Status                     | Compliant                                                               |
| Tape and Reel                   | TR-F003                                                                 |
| Suggested Layout for PCB Design | PL-652                                                                  |
| Evaluation Board                | TB-ABF-9R3G+                                                            |
|                                 | Gerber File                                                             |
| Environmental Rating            | ENV120                                                                  |

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## Thin-Film Bandpass Filter

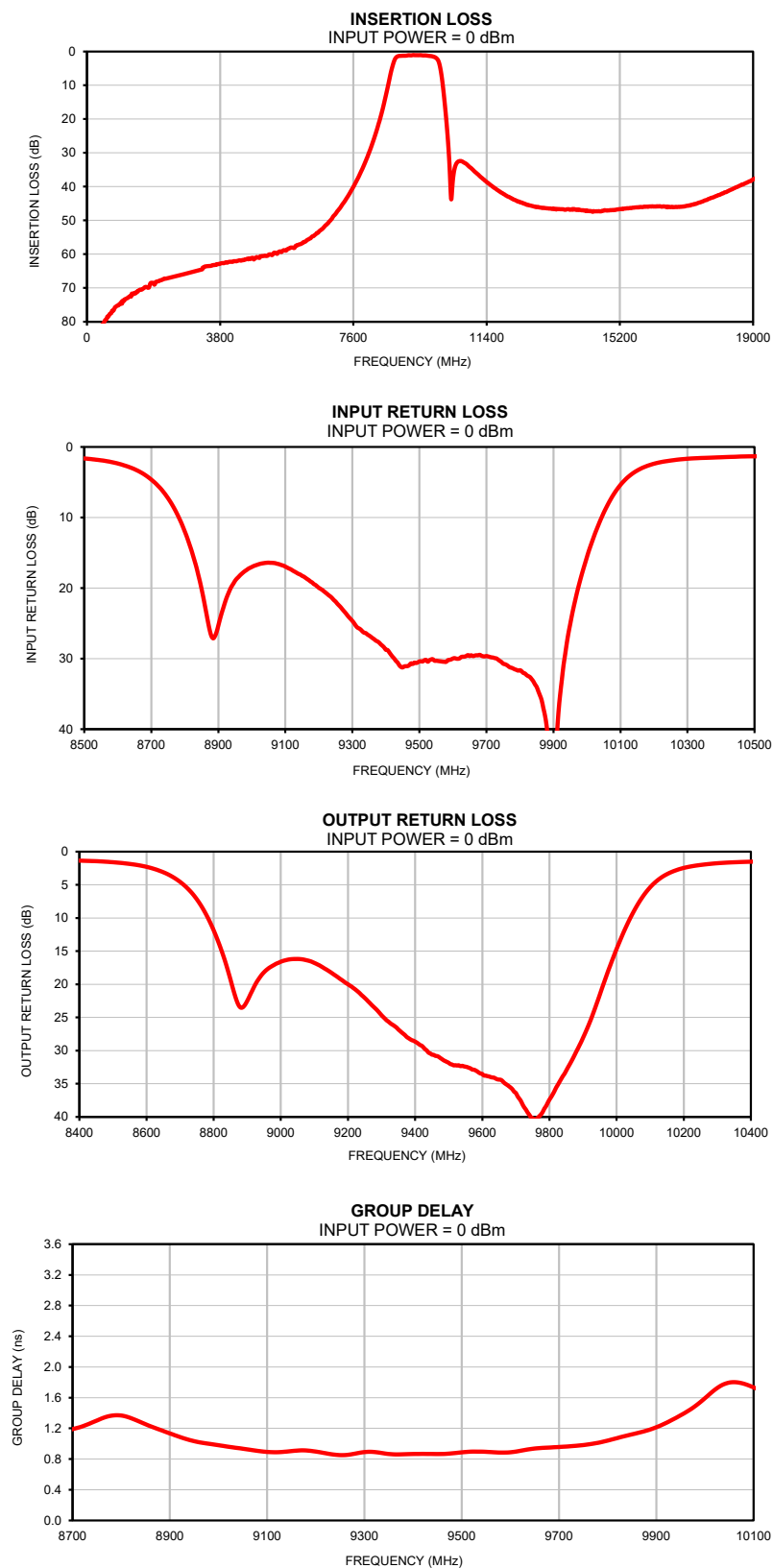
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## Typical Performance Data

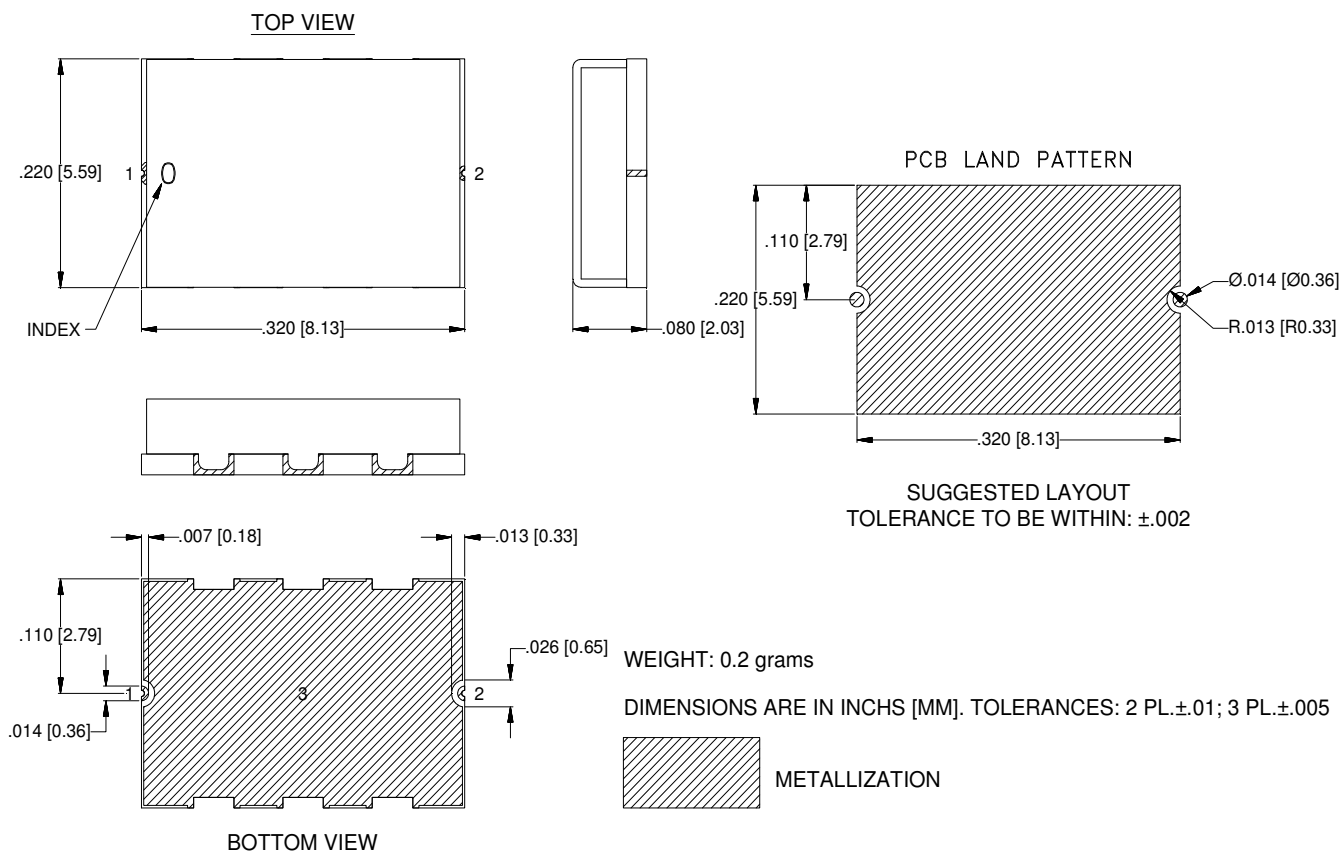
| FREQ. | Insertion Loss | Input Return Loss | Output Return Loss |
|-------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| (MHz) | (dB)           | (dB)              | (dB)               |
| 10    | 102.81         | 0.07              | 0.09               |
| 20    | 108.63         | 0.08              | 0.10               |
| 40    | 108.38         | 0.11              | 0.11               |
| 100   | 93.36          | 0.05              | 0.07               |
| 160   | 89.14          | 0.15              | 0.15               |
| 200   | 87.54          | 0.16              | 0.17               |
| 260   | 85.33          | 0.20              | 0.21               |
| 400   | 82.10          | 0.25              | 0.25               |
| 600   | 78.51          | 0.29              | 0.29               |
| 800   | 75.72          | 0.35              | 0.35               |
| 900   | 75.13          | 0.34              | 0.33               |
| 1000  | 74.64          | 0.33              | 0.34               |
| 1500  | 70.57          | 0.34              | 0.35               |
| 2000  | 68.07          | 0.34              | 0.34               |
| 2100  | 67.69          | 0.34              | 0.34               |
| 3300  | 63.97          | 0.30              | 0.30               |
| 3500  | 63.49          | 0.30              | 0.31               |
| 4000  | 62.53          | 0.38              | 0.39               |
| 4500  | 61.69          | 0.48              | 0.50               |
| 5000  | 60.54          | 0.61              | 0.63               |
| 5500  | 59.19          | 0.69              | 0.69               |
| 6000  | 57.33          | 0.75              | 0.72               |
| 6500  | 54.29          | 0.81              | 0.81               |
| 6700  | 52.63          | 0.84              | 0.83               |
| 6900  | 50.47          | 0.86              | 0.87               |
| 7000  | 49.23          | 0.90              | 0.91               |
| 7200  | 46.55          | 0.86              | 0.93               |
| 7300  | 45.05          | 0.89              | 0.96               |
| 7800  | 35.93          | 1.00              | 1.04               |
| 8000  | 31.18          | 1.01              | 1.05               |
| 8320  | 21.31          | 1.22              | 1.24               |
| 9200  | 1.11           | 19.97             | 20.00              |
| 9300  | 1.05           | 24.66             | 24.67              |
| 9400  | 1.08           | 28.75             | 28.65              |
| 9600  | 1.15           | 29.99             | 33.53              |
| 10050 | 3.63           | 9.33              | 9.12               |
| 10250 | 20.39          | 1.93              | 2.01               |
| 10700 | 32.53          | 1.26              | 1.24               |
| 11500 | 39.44          | 1.11              | 1.07               |
| 12000 | 42.92          | 1.04              | 1.04               |
| 12500 | 45.16          | 0.97              | 1.02               |
| 13000 | 46.22          | 0.94              | 0.94               |
| 13500 | 46.68          | 0.97              | 1.02               |
| 14000 | 46.93          | 1.05              | 1.15               |
| 14500 | 47.31          | 1.17              | 1.27               |
| 15000 | 46.97          | 1.26              | 1.35               |
| 15200 | 46.67          | 1.28              | 1.36               |
| 15300 | 46.57          | 1.29              | 1.35               |
| 15800 | 46.01          | 1.28              | 1.31               |
| 16500 | 45.94          | 1.18              | 1.19               |
| 17000 | 45.91          | 1.13              | 1.13               |
| 17500 | 44.62          | 1.14              | 1.14               |
| 17600 | 44.19          | 1.12              | 1.13               |
| 17800 | 43.33          | 1.15              | 1.17               |
| 18000 | 42.53          | 1.19              | 1.21               |
| 18500 | 40.26          | 1.30              | 1.37               |
| 18600 | 39.81          | 1.30              | 1.38               |
| 18700 | 39.37          | 1.34              | 1.44               |
| 18800 | 38.90          | 1.37              | 1.46               |
| 19000 | 37.87          | 1.43              | 1.53               |

| FREQ. | Group Delay |
|-------|-------------|
| (MHz) | (ns)        |
| 9200  | 0.90        |
| 9205  | 0.89        |
| 9210  | 0.89        |
| 9215  | 0.88        |
| 9220  | 0.88        |
| 9225  | 0.87        |
| 9230  | 0.86        |
| 9235  | 0.86        |
| 9240  | 0.86        |
| 9245  | 0.85        |
| 9250  | 0.85        |
| 9255  | 0.85        |
| 9260  | 0.85        |
| 9270  | 0.86        |
| 9275  | 0.86        |
| 9280  | 0.87        |
| 9285  | 0.88        |
| 9290  | 0.88        |
| 9295  | 0.89        |
| 9300  | 0.89        |
| 9305  | 0.89        |
| 9310  | 0.89        |
| 9315  | 0.89        |
| 9320  | 0.89        |
| 9325  | 0.89        |
| 9330  | 0.88        |
| 9335  | 0.88        |
| 9340  | 0.87        |
| 9345  | 0.87        |
| 9350  | 0.87        |
| 9355  | 0.86        |
| 9360  | 0.86        |
| 9365  | 0.86        |
| 9370  | 0.86        |
| 9375  | 0.86        |
| 9380  | 0.86        |
| 9385  | 0.86        |
| 9390  | 0.86        |
| 9395  | 0.87        |
| 9400  | 0.87        |

## Typical Performance Curves



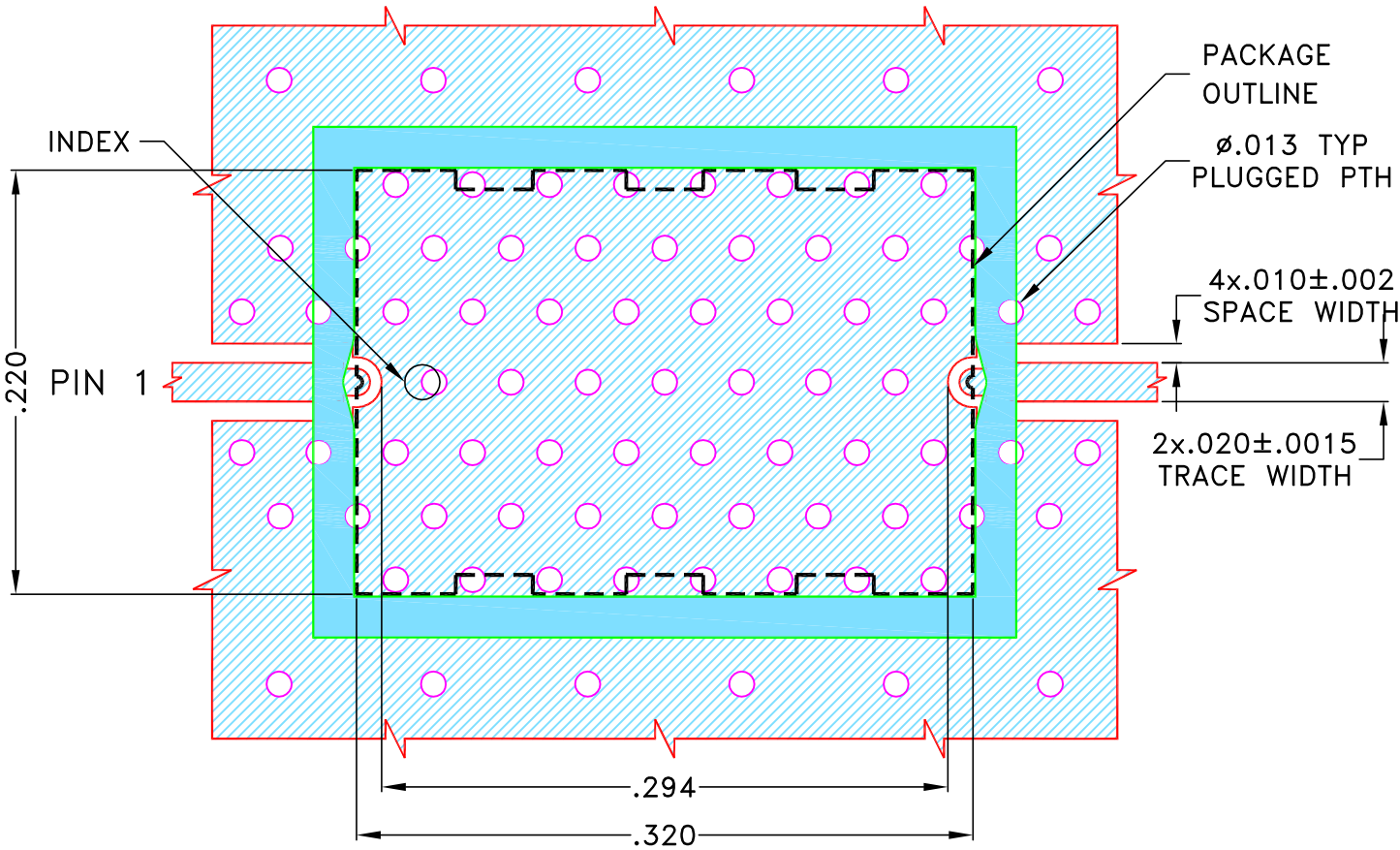
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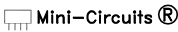
1. Case material: Gold over Nickel over Annealed Stainless Steel.
2. Base: Ceramic
3. Termination finish: **as shown below or indicated on Data Sheet.**  
For RoHS Case Styles: Gold over Nickel plate. All models, (+) suffix.

|                        |     |            |                                   |        |     |      |
|------------------------|-----|------------|-----------------------------------|--------|-----|------|
| THIRD ANGLE PROJECTION |     | REVISIONS  |                                   |        |     |      |
|                        | REV | ECN No.    | DESCRIPTION                       | DATE   | DR  | AUTH |
|                        | OR  | ECO-007104 | NEW RELEASE                       | MAR 21 | DDR | VC   |
|                        | A   | ECO-010633 | UPDATED AS PER CURRENT TEST BOARD | NOV 21 | DDR | VC   |
|                        |     |            |                                   |        |     |      |
|                        |     |            |                                   |        |     |      |

SUGGESTED MOUNTING CONFIGURATION  
FOR UC2731 CASE STYLE

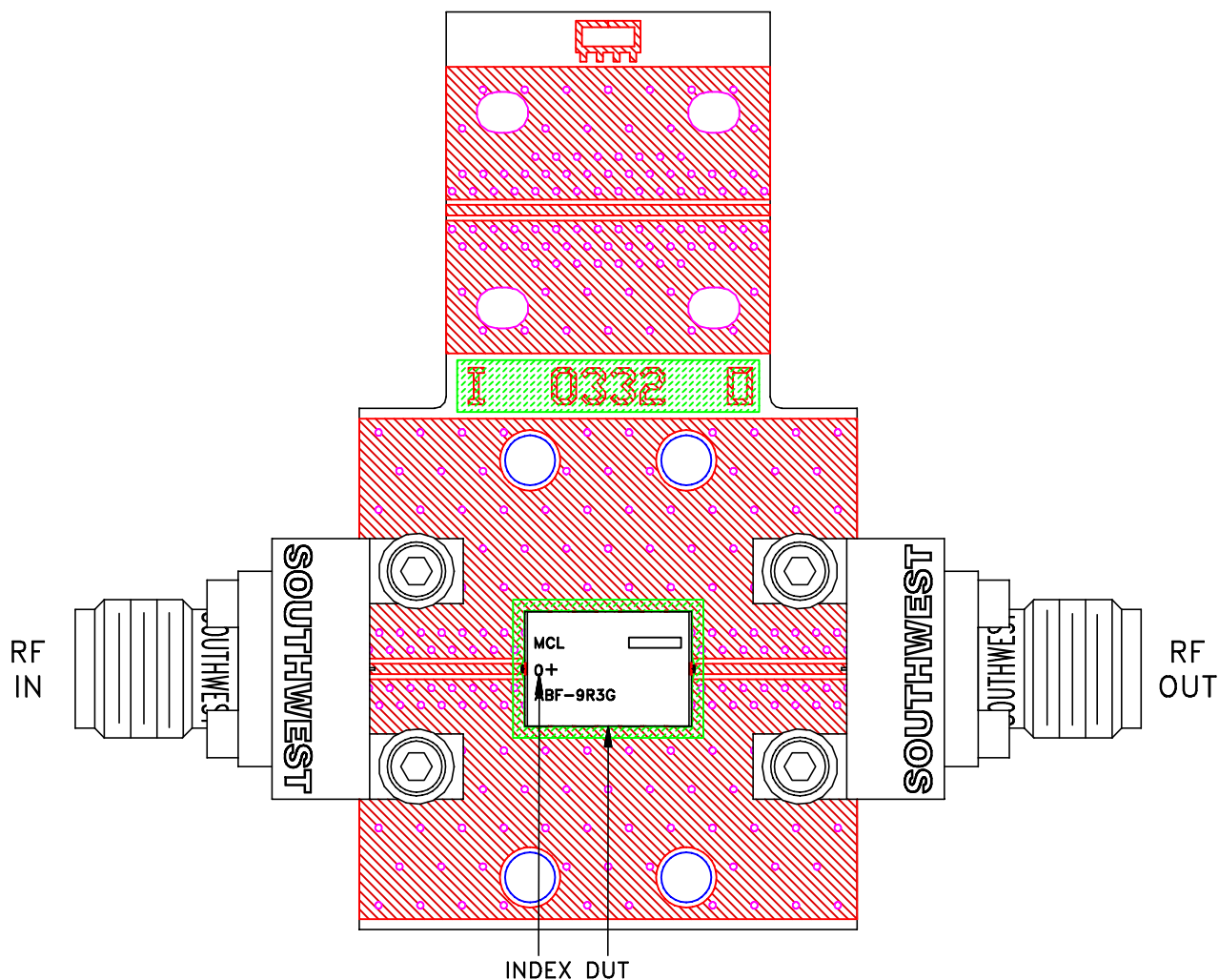


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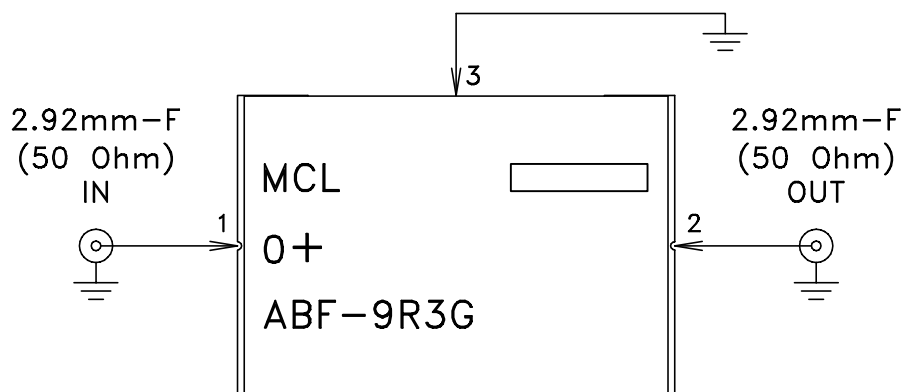
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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | CHECKED  | RR       | 29 MAR 21 |                                                                                                                                                  |                     |                          |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | APPROVED | NN       | 29 MAR 21 |                                                                                                                                                  |                     |                          |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |          |          |           | PL DWG, UC2731 C.S, 50 OHM, ABF                                                                                                                  |                     |                          |
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# Evaluation Board and Circuit

TB-ABF-9R3G+



Schematic diagram



## Notes:

1. PCB Material: ROGERS (R04350B) OR Equivalent, Dielectric Constant= $3.48 \pm 0.05$   
Dielectric Thickness:  $.010 \pm .001$  inch
2. 50 Ohm 2.92mm Female Connectors.

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| Specification         | Test/Inspection Condition             | Reference/Spec                                        |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| Operating Temperature | -55° to 125° C<br>Ambient Environment | Individual Model Data Sheet                           |
| Storage Temperature   | -55° to 125° C<br>Ambient Environment | Individual Model Data Sheet                           |
| Solderability         | 10X Magnification                     | J-STD-002, Para 4.2.5, Test S, 95% Coverage           |
| Thermal Shock         | -55° to 125°C, 100 cycles             | MIL-STD-202, Method 107, Condition A-3, Except +125°C |