

Unconditional Stability of a Three-Port Network Characterized with S-Parameters

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An analytical solution is presented which establishes nine conditions necessary for determining the unconditional stability of a network described with three-port S-parameters. In contrast to the unconditional stability conditions of a two-port network the unconditional stability conditions of a three-port network are dependent on both the three-port S-parameters and the port terminations. These criteria form the basis for three-port amplifier design, and are used to analyze measured three-port S-parameter data of a silicon BJT at 2.4 GHz.

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