MAAMSS0045



High Dynamic Range Low Noise Amplifier 1400 - 2000 MHz

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Features

- Low Noise Figure: 1.4 dB
- High Input IP3: +18 dBm at 8 V, 45 mA bias
 +8 dBm at 3 V, 20 mA bias
- High Gain: 14 dB
- Single Supply: +3 to +8 VDC
- Adjustable current: 20 to 60 mA with external resistor
- Lead-Free SOIC-8 Package
- 100% Matte Tin Plating over Copper
- Halogen-Free "Green" Mold Compound
- 260°C Reflow Compatible
- RoHS* Compliant Version of AM50-0004

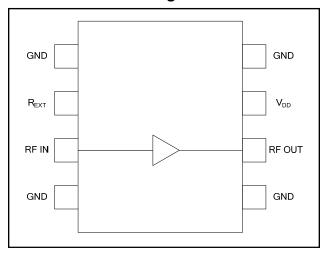
Description

M/A-COM's MAAMSS0045 is a high dynamic range, GaAs MMIC, low noise amplifier in a lead-free SOIC 8-lead, surface mount, plastic package. It employs external input matching to obtain optimum noise figure performance and operating frequency flexibility. The MAAMSS0045 also features flexible biasing to control the current consumption vs. dynamic range trade-off. The MAAMSS0045 can operate from any positive supply voltage in the 3 V to 8 V range. Its current can be controlled over a range of 20 mA to 60 mA with an external resistor.

The MAAMSS0045 is ideally suited for use where low noise figure, high gain, high dynamic range, and low power consumption are required. Typical applications included receiver front ends in PDC, DCS-1800, DCS-1900 and other PCN/PCS base stations. It is also useful as a gain block, buffer, driver, and IF amplifier in both fixed or portable PDC and PCN/PCS systems.

The MAAMSS0045 is fabricated using a low-cost 0.5-micron gate length GaAs process. The process features full passivation for increased performance and reliability. The MAAMSS0045 is 100% RF tested to ensure performance specification compliance.

Functional Block Diagram



Pin Configuration

| Pin No. | Pin Name | Description |
|---------|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | GND | RF and DC Ground |
| 2 | R _{EXT} | External Current Control (optional) |
| 3 | RF IN | RF Input of the amplifier |
| 4 | GND | RF and DC Ground |
| 5 | GND | RF and DC Ground |
| 6 | RF OUT | RF Output of the amplifier |
| 7 | V_{DD} | Positive supply voltage |
| 8 | GND | RF and DC Ground |

Ordering Information 1,2

| Part Number | Package | |
|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| MAAMSS0045 | Bulk Packaging | |
| MAAMSS0045TR-3000 | 3000 piece reel | |
| MAAMSS0045SMB | Sample Test Board | |

- 1. Reference Application Note M513 for reel size information.
- 2. All sample boards include 5 loose parts.

^{*} Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, European Union Directive 2002/95/EC.

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Electrical Specifications: $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$, $Z_0 = 50 \Omega$, F = 1785 MHz, $P_{in} = -30 \text{ dBm}$

| Parameter | Test Conditions | Units | Min. | Тур. | Max. |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------|
| Gain | 5 V, 45 mA ³ 3 V, 20 mA | dB dB | 12.0 — | 14 12.5 | _ |
| Noise Figure | 5 V, 45 mA ³ 3 V, 20 mA | dB dB | _ | 1.4 1.5 | 1.8 |
| Input VSWR | - | Ratio | _ | 1.5:1 | _ |
| Output VSWR | - | Ratio | _ | 2.0:1 | _ |
| Output 1 dB Compression | 5 V, 45 mA ³ 3 V, 20 mA | dBm dBm | _ | 16.0 9.0 | _ |
| Input IP3 | 5 V, 45 mA ³ 3 V, 20 mA | dBm dBm | 13.0 | 15 8.0 | _ |
| Reverse Isolation | _ | dB | _ | 22 | _ |
| Drain Current | 5 V, 45 mA ² | mA | 30 | 45 | 60 |

^{3.} Using external 15 Ω resistor. See functional schematic on page 3.

Absolute Maximum Ratings ^{4,5}

| Parameter | Absolute Maximum | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|--|
| V_{DD} | +10 VDC | |
| Input Power | +17 dBm | |
| Current ⁶ | 80 mA | |
| Channel Temperature ⁷ | +150°C | |
| Operating Temperature | -40°C to +85°C | |
| Storage Temperature | -65°C to +150°C | |

- Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage.
- M/A-COM does not recommend sustained operation near these survivability limits.
- 6. When pin #2 is used to increase current. (See note 9)
- 7. Thermal resistance (θ jc) = +99°C/W.

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.

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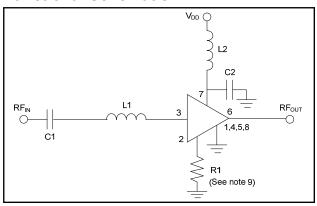
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Functional Schematic



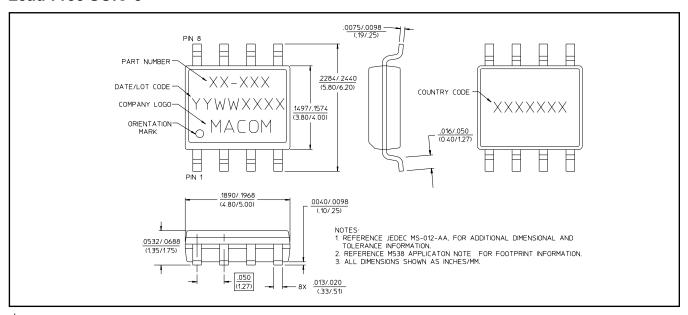
External Components List 8

| Part | Value | Case Size | Manufacturer | Purpose |
|------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| C1 | 47 pF | 0603 | Murata | DC Block |
| C2 | 47 pF | 0603 | Murata | By-Pass |
| L1 | 3.9 nH | 0603 | Coilcraft | Tuning |
| L2 | 12 nH | 0603 | Coilcraft | RF Choke |
| R1 | see note 9 | 0603 | Panasonic | Optional current control |

- 8. All external circuitry parts are readily available, low cost surface mount components (.060 in. x .030 in. or .080 in. x .050 in.).
- 9. Pin 2 allows use of an external resistor to ground for optional, higher current. For 20 mA operation, no resistor is

For $I_{DD} \sim 30$ mA, R1 = 39 ohms; $I_{DD} \sim 45$ mA, R1 = 15 ohms $I_{DD} \sim 60$ mA, R1 = 6 ohms.

Lead-Free SOIC-8[†]



[†] Reference Application Note M538 for lead-free solder reflow recommendations. Meets JEDEC moisture sensitivity level 1 requirements.

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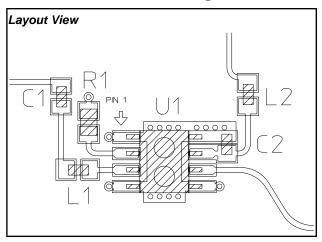
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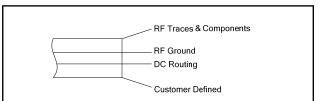
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Recommended PCB Configuration



Cross Section View

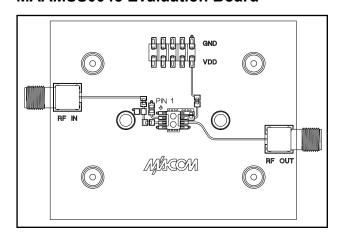


The PCB dielectric between RF traces and RF ground layers should be chosen to reduce RF discontinuities between 50 Ω lines and package pins. M/A-COM recommends an FR-4 dielectric thickness of .008" (0.20 mm) yielding a 50 Ω lines width of 0.015" (0.38 mm). The recommended RF metalization is 1 ounce copper.

Designer's Kit MAAMSS0045SMB

The MAAMSS0045SMB Designer's Kit allows for immediate evaluation of M/A-COM's MAAMSS0045. The Designer's Kit includes an MAAMSS0045 mounted on an evaluation board and five loose MAAMSS0045's. The evaluation board consists of the recommended external surface mount circuitry, RF connectors, and a DC multi-pin connector, all mounted to a multi-layer FR-4 PCB. The MAAMSS0045SMB evaluation PCB is illustrated below with all functional ports labeled.

MAAMSS0045 Evaluation Board



Evaluation PCB & RF Connector Losses

| Port Reference | Approximate RF Loss | | |
|----------------|---------------------|--|--|
| RF In | 0.15 dB @ 1785 MHz | | |
| RF Out | 0.15 dB @ 1785 MHz | | |

The DC connector on the Designer's Kit PCB allows convenient DC line access. This is accomplished by the one or more of the following methods.

- A mating female multi-pin connector (Newark Electronics Stock # 46F-4658, not included).
- Wires soldered to the necessary pins (not included).
- Clip leads (not included).

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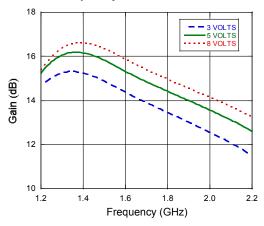
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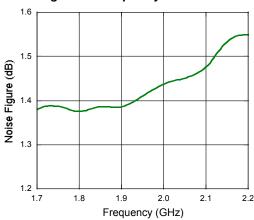
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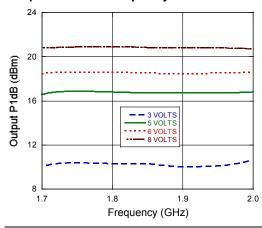
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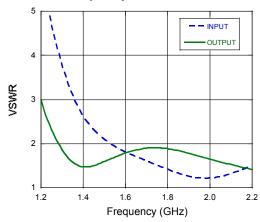
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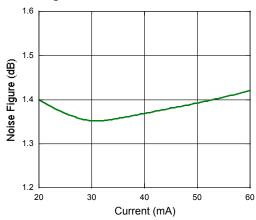
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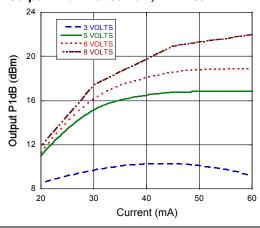
VSWR vs. Frequency



Noise Figure vs. Current, F = 1785 MHz



Output P1 dB vs. Current, F = 1785 MHz



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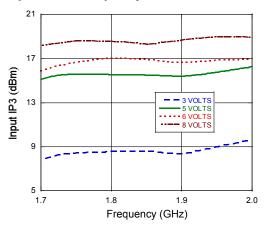
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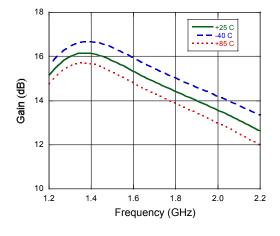
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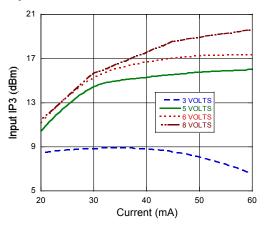
Input IP3 vs. Frequency



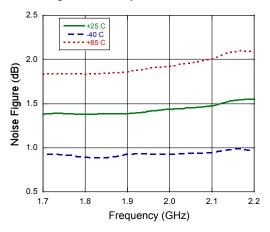
Gain vs. Temperature



Input IP3 vs. Current, F = 1785 MHz



Noise Figure vs. Temperature



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