

MMA042PP4

2 – 26 GHz Distributed Self-Biased LNA

Product Overview

MMA042PP4 is a gallium arsenide (GaAs) monolithic microwave integrated circuit (MMIC) pseudomorphic highelectron mobility transistor (pHEMT) distributed amplifier that operates between 2 GHz and 26 GHz. It is ideal for test instrumentation, defense, and space applications. The amplifier provides a 2 dB positive gain slope with a typical gain of 18 dB, 2.5 dB noise figure, 19 dBm of output power at 1 dB gain compression, and 29 dBm output IP3 at 10 GHz. The MMA042PP4 amplifier features RF I/Os that are internally matched to 50 Ω .

Key Features

- Frequency range: 2 to 26 GHz
- High Gain: 18 dB with +2 dB upslope
- Low Noise figure: 2.5 dB
- High Output IP3: + 29 dBm
- Maximum RF Input Power: + 24 dBm
- Single Positive Supply: +6V @ 120 mA (+8V VDD max)
- ESD Protection on RF and DC ports
- 50 Ω matched input/output





Applications

- Test and measurement instrumentation
- Electronic warfare (EW), electronic countermeasures (ECM), and electronic counter-countermeasures (ECCM)
- Military and space
- Telecom infrastructure
- Wideband microwave radios
- · Microwave and millimeter-wave communication systems

Performance Overview

| Parameter | Тур. | Units |
|-----------------|--------|-------|
| Frequency range | 2 – 26 | GHz |
| Gain | 18 | dB |
| Gain flatness | ± 0.75 | dB |
| NF | 2.5 | dB |
| Output IP3 | + 29 | dBm |

Export Classification: EAR99

Gain, OIP3& NF Performances



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1. Electrical Specifications

1.1 Typical Electrical Performance

Table 1-1. Typical Electrical Performance at 25 °C, Vdd = + 6V, Idd = 120 mA (Unless otherwise mentioned)

| Parameter | Frequency Range | Min | Тур. | Max | Units |
|----------------------------|-----------------|-----|--------|-----|-------|
| Frequency range | | | | 26 | GHz |
| Gain | 2 – 8 GHz | | 17 | | dB |
| | 8 – 16 GHz | | 17 | | dB |
| | 16 – 22 GHz | | 18 | | dB |
| | 22 – 26 GHz | | 17 | | dB |
| Gain flatness | 2 – 6 GHz | | ± 0.75 | | dB |
| | 6 –12 GHz | | ± 0.75 | | dB |
| | 12 – 22 GHz | | ± 0.75 | | dB |
| | 22 – 26 GHz | | ± 1.0 | | dB |
| Noise Figure | 2 – 6 GHz | | 3.0 | | dB |
| | 6 –12 GHz | | 2.5 | | dB |
| | 12 – 22 GHz | | 3.5 | | dB |
| | 22 – 26 GHz | | 4 | | dB |
| P1dB | 2 – 6 GHz | | + 17 | | dBm |
| | 6 – 12 GHz | | + 16 | | dBm |
| | 12 – 22 GHz | | + 15 | | dBm |
| | 22 – 26 GHz | | + 14 | | dBm |
| OIP3 | 2 – 6 GHz | | + 29 | | dBm |
| | 6 – 12 GHz | | + 28 | | dBm |
| | 12 – 22 GHz | | + 26 | | dBm |
| | 22 – 26 GHz | | +25 | | dBm |
| Input Return Loss | 2 – 6 GHz | | 12 | | dB |
| | 6 – 12 GHz | | 13 | | dB |
| | 12 – 22 GHz | | 10.5 | | dB |
| | 22 – 26 GHz | | 7.5 | | dB |
| Output Return Loss | 2 – 6 GHz | | 12 | | dB |
| | 6 – 12 GHz | | 9.5 | | dB |
| | 12 – 22 GHz | | 13 | | dB |
| | 22 – 26 GHz | | 8 | | dB |
| VDD (Drain Voltage Supply) | | | +6 | | V |

| continued | | | | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----|------|-----|-------|
| Parameter | Frequency Range | Min | Тур. | Мах | Units |
| Idd (Drain Current) | | | 120 | | mA |

1.2 Absolute Maximum Ratings

The following table shows the absolute maximum ratings of the MMA042PP4 device at 25 °C, unless otherwise specified. Exceeding one or any of the maximum ratings potentially could cause damage or latent defects to the device.

Table 1-2. Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter | Rating |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Drain bias voltage (VDD) | + 8 V |
| Gate bias voltage (VG) | – 1 V to + 0.5V |
| RF input power (Pin) | TBD |
| Channel Temperature | 150 °C |
| VDD Current (IDD) | 200 mA |
| DC Power Dissipation (T = 85 °C) | 1.6 W |
| Thermal Resistance | 17 °C/W |
| Storage Temperature | – 65 °C to + 150 °C |
| Operating Temperature | – 55 °C to + 85 °C |



ESD Sensitive Device

1.3 Typical Performance Curves

The following graphs show the typical performance curves of the MMA042PP4 device at + 25 °C, + 6V and 120mA unless otherwise indicated.



Figure 1-1. Gain vs. Temperature

Figure 1-2. NF vs. Temperature

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Figure 1-3. S11 vs. Temperature







Figure 1-6. P3dB vs. Temperature



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10 15 20 Frequency (GHz)

25

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Figure 1-14. 2nd Harmonic vs. Pout



2. Package Specifications

For additional packaging information, contact your Microchip sales representative.

Figure 2-1. Package Outline Drawing (mm)



Table 2-1. Package Information

| Material | Lead Frame |
|----------|---|
| Plating | Ni: 0.50 um min Pd: 0.02 um min Au: 0.05 um max |

Table 2-2. PIN Description

| PIN Number | Pad Name | Pad Description |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| 4,5 | RFIN | DC-Coupled and Matched to 50Ω. |
| 15,16 | RFOUT | Matched to 50Ω. |
| 22 | VDD | VDD supply |
| 10 | VGA | Connect to RF/DC Ground |
| 11 | VGB | Used to change Idd. Refer Table. |
| 9 | VSB | Connect to RF/DC Ground |
| 3,6,14,17 | GND | RF/DC Ground |
| 1,2,7,8,12,13,18,19,20,21,23,24 | N/C | |
| Backside Paddlle | RF/DC GND | Must be connected to RF/DC Ground |

3. Application Ciruits: Eval PCB

Figure 3-1. Eval PCB Schematic





Figure 3-2. Eval PCB

Table 3-1. Bill of Material

| Designation | Description | Manufacturer Part Number | Quantity |
|----------------|---|--------------------------|----------|
| 1 | PCB Backplate | | 1 |
| C1, C2 | Cap 100nF 16V +/-10% X7R Au cer 0201 | 0201X104K160GT | 2 |
| H1, H2, H3 | Header, 2-Pin, Dual row | 15-91-2040 | 3 |
| J1, J2, J3, J4 | CONN 2.9MM FEMALE PCB EDGE MOUNT .012 PIN | 25-146-1000-90 | 4 |
| R1 | RES 22 OHM 1/20W 1% 0201 SMD | ERJ-1GEF22R0C | 1 |
| R2 | RES 10.2 OHM 1/20W 1% 0201 SMD | ERJ-1GEF10R2C | 1 |
| R3 | Res 5.6-Ohm 1/20W 5% 0201 | ERJ-1GEJ5R6C | 1 |
| R4 | RES 3.3-OHM 1/20W 5% 0201 | ERJ-1GEJ3R3C | 1 |
| U1 | MMA042PP4 4X4 QFN | MMA042PP4 | 1 |

4. Ordering, Shipping and Handling

4.1 Handling Recommendations

Gallium arsenide integrated circuits are sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD) and can be damaged by static electricity. It is recommended to follow all procedures and guidelines outlined in the Microsemi application note AN01: GaAs MMIC Handling and Die Attach Recommendations.

4.2 Ordering Information

For additional ordering information, contact your Microchip sales representative.

| Part Number | Package |
|-------------|------------------------------|
| MMA042PP4 | 4 mm X 4 mm, 24L Plastic QFN |

4.3 Packing Information

| Standard Format | |
|-----------------|--|
| Tape and Reel | |

Note: Contact your Microchip sales representative for the minimum quantity order

5. Revision History

Table 5-1. Revision History

| Revision | Date | Description |
|----------|---------|-------------------|
| A | 08/2021 | Document created. |

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