

## Features

- Low Distortion
- Low Noise Figure
- Push Pull Design
- Single Positive Supply
- Lead-Free 4 mm 20-Lead PQFN package
- Halogen-Free “Green” Mold Compound
- RoHS\* Compliant and 260°C Reflow Compatible

## Description

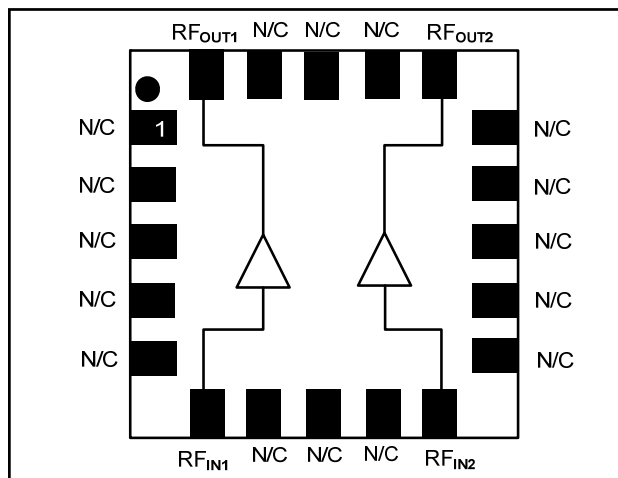
M/A-COM's MAAMSS0044 is a GaAs PHEMT MMIC amplifier in a lead-free 4 mm 20-lead PQFN package. The MMIC design is configured as a pair of cascode PHEMT amplifiers for broadband performance. It is designed for integration in a 75  $\Omega$  push-pull, low distortion, amplifier circuit. The device is ideally suited for use in CATV, FTTX, DBS, and HDTV applications where low noise figure and low distortion are required.

## Ordering Information <sup>1,2</sup>

Part Number	Package
MAAMSS0044	Bulk Packaging
MAAMSS0044TR	1000 Piece Reel
MAAMSS0044TR-3000	3000 Piece Reel
MAAMSS0044SMB	Sample Board 50 - 1000 MHZ Tuning

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

## Functional Schematic



## Pin Configuration <sup>3</sup>

Pin No.	Pin Name	Description
1	N/C <sup>4</sup>	No Connection
2	N/C	No Connection
3	N/C	No Connection
4	N/C	No Connection
5	N/C	No Connection
6	RF <sub>IN1</sub>	RF Input 1
7	N/C	No Connection
8	N/C	No Connection
9	N/C	No Connection
10	RF <sub>IN2</sub>	RF Input 2
11	N/C	No Connection
12	N/C	No Connection
13	N/C	No Connection
14	N/C	No Connection
15	N/C	No Connection
16	RF <sub>OUT2</sub>	RF Output 2
17	N/C	No Connection
18	N/C	No Connection
19	N/C	No Connection
20	RF <sub>OUT1</sub>	RF Output 1

3. The exposed pad centered on the package bottom must be connected to RF and DC ground.
4. It is recommended, but not absolutely compulsory, that all No Connections (N/C) within the IC are connected to the ground on the printed circuit board.

\* Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, European Union Directive 2002/95/EC.

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**Electrical Specifications:  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , Freq: 50 - 1000 MHz,  $V_{DD} = +5$  Volts,  $Z_0 = 75 \Omega$ , Test Circuit with M/A-COM Balun MABACT0069**

Parameter	Test Conditions	Units	Min.	Typ.	Max.
Gain	—	dB	11	12.5	13.5
Gain Flatness	—	dB	—	0.8	1.3
Noise Figure	—	dB	—	3.7	5
Input Return Loss	—	dB	—	15	—
Output Return Loss	—	dB	—	15	—
Output IP2	400 MHz, +4 dBm output	dBm	—	75	—
Output IP3	Two tones at 397 & 403 MHz, +8 dBm output/tone	dBm	—	42	—
Composite Triple Beat, CTB	79 Channels, +34 dBmV / Channel at the output	dBc	—	-75	-70
	77 Channels, +39 dBmV / Channel at the output	dBc	—	-65	—
Composite Second Order, CSO	79 Channels, +34 dBmV / Channel at the output	dBc	—	-85	-80
	77 Channels, +39 dBmV / Channel at the output	dBc	—	-75	—
Cross modulation	79 Channels, +34 dBmV / Channel at the output	dBc	—	-75	—
	77 Channels, +39 dBmV / Channel at the output	dBc	—	-65	—
P1dB	400 MHz	dBm	—	24	—
$I_{DD}$	+5 Volts	mA	—	225	280

## Absolute Maximum Ratings<sup>5,6,7</sup>

Parameter	Absolute Maximum
Input Power	+20 dBm
Operating Voltage	+10 volts
Operating Temperature	-40°C to +85°C
Junction Temperature <sup>8</sup>	150°C
Storage Temperature	-65°C to +150°C

- Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.
- M/A-COM does not recommend sustained operation near these survivability limits.
- These operating conditions will ensure MTTF > 1 x 10<sup>6</sup> hours.
- Junction Temperature ( $T_J$ ) =  $T_C + \Theta_{jc} * ((V * I) - (P_{OUT} - P_{IN}))$   
Typical thermal resistance ( $\Theta_{jc}$ ) = 39° C/W.
  - For  $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  
 $T_J = 69^\circ\text{C} @ 5 \text{ V}, 225 \text{ mA}$
  - For  $T_C = 85^\circ\text{C}$ ,  
 $T_J = 129^\circ\text{C} @ 5 \text{ V}, 225 \text{ mA}$

## Handling Procedures

Please observe the following precautions to avoid damage:

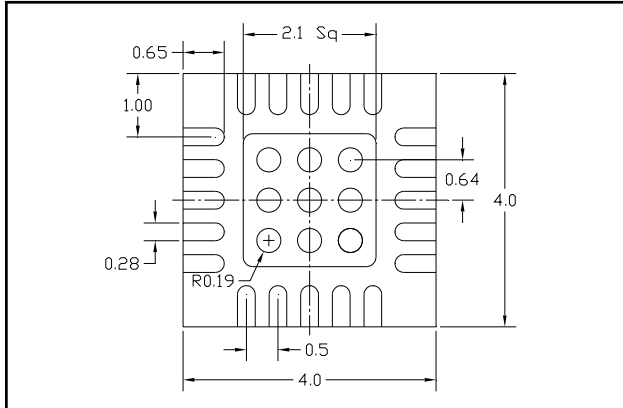
## Static Sensitivity

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.

## Push Pull CATV Amplifier 50 - 1000 MHz

Rev. V1

### PCB Land Pattern

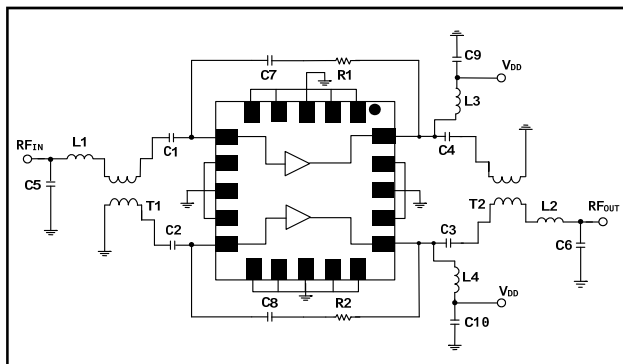


### Parts List<sup>9</sup>

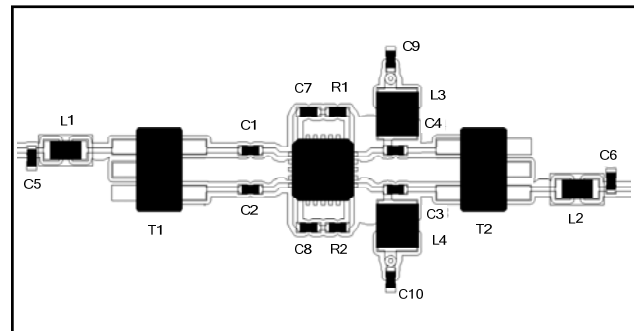
Component	Value	Package
C1 - C4	0.01 $\mu$ F	0402
C5	0.8 pF	0402
C6	1 pF	0402
C7 - C10	0.01 $\mu$ F	0402
L1	5.6 nH	0402
L2	6.8 nH	0402
L3, L4	470 nH	1008
R1, R2	300 $\Omega$	0402

9. The 1:1 Baluns, T1 & T2 are M/A-COM part number MABACT0069

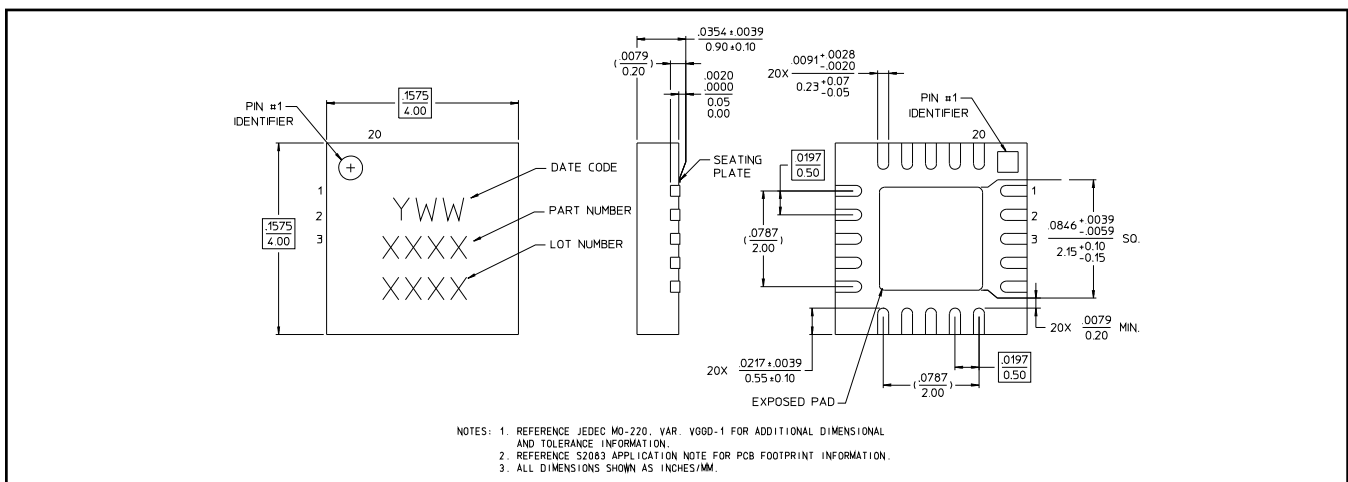
### Application Schematic



### Sample Board



### Lead Free 4 mm 20-lead PQFN<sup>†</sup>



<sup>†</sup> Reference Application Note M538 for lead-free solder reflow recommendations.  
Meets JEDEC moisture sensitivity level 1 requirements.  
Plating is 100% matte tin over copper.

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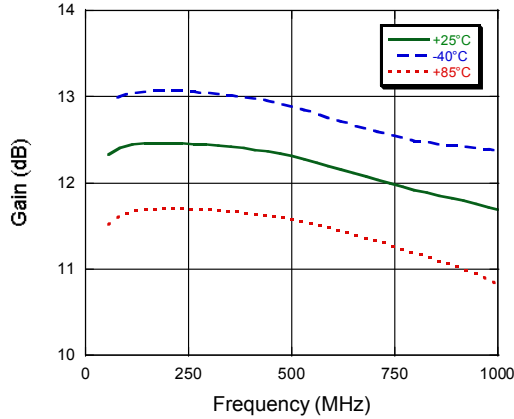
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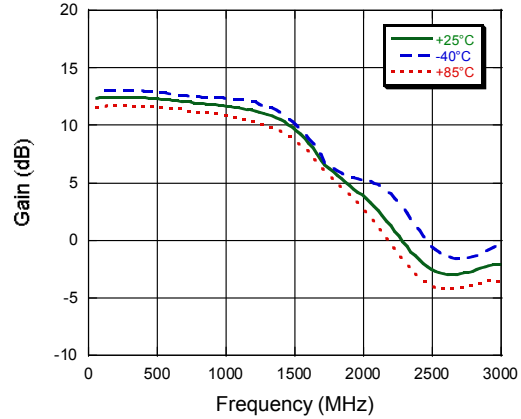
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## Typical Performance Curves

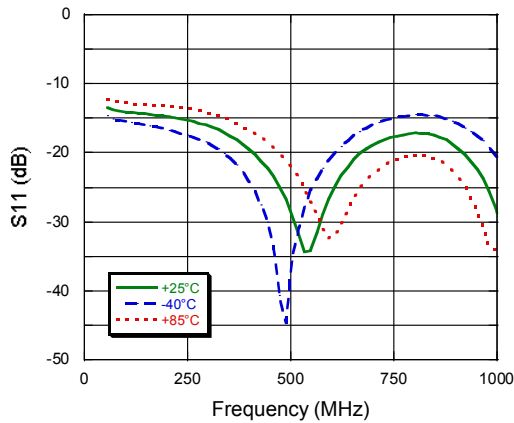
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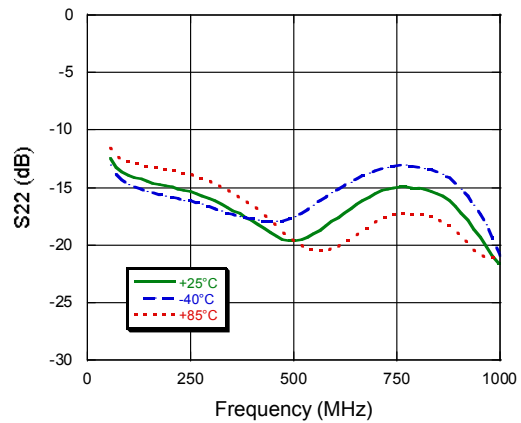
Gain vs. Frequency to 3 GHz



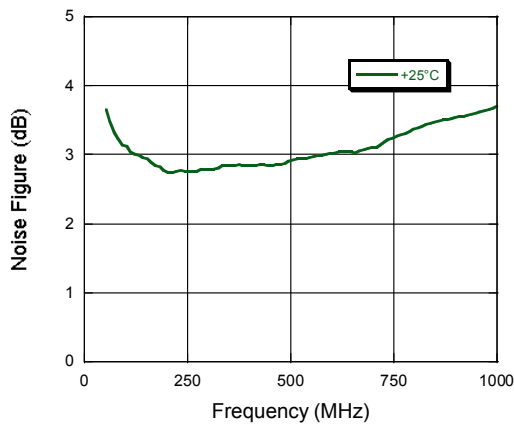
Input Return Loss vs. Frequency



Output Return Loss vs. Frequency



Noise Figure vs. Frequency



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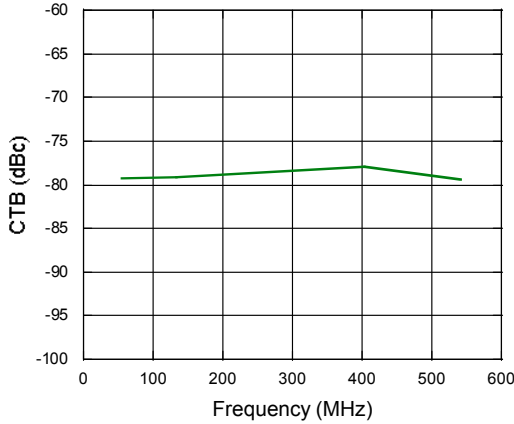
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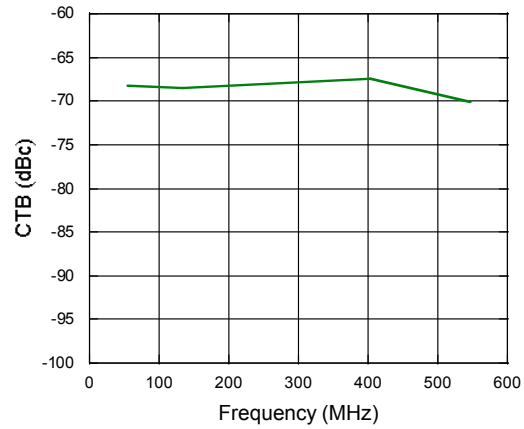
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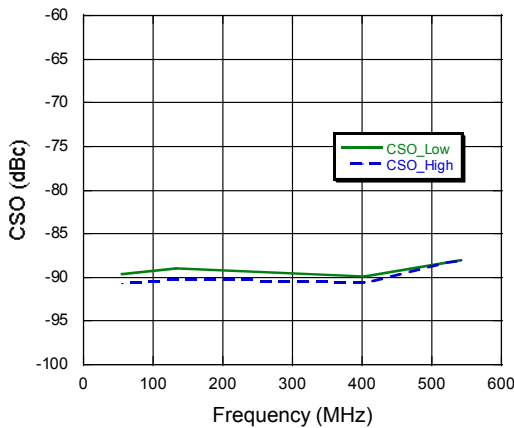
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