



# HMC994LP5E

## GaAs pHEMT MMIC POWER AMPLIFIER, DC - 28 GHz

### Typical Applications

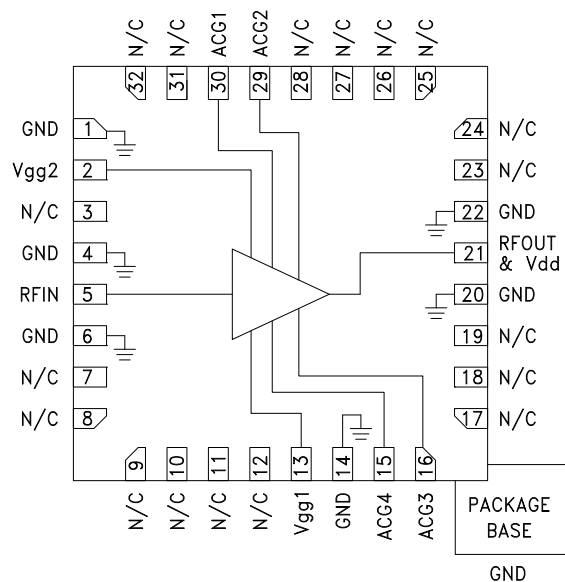
The HMC994LP5E is ideal for:

- Test Instrumentation
- Microwave Radio & VSAT
- Telecom Infrastructure
- Military & Space
- Fiber optics

### Features

- P1dB Output Power: +27 dBm
- Psat Output Power: +29 dBm
- High Gain: 13 dB
- Output IP3: +38 dBm
- Supply Voltage: Vdd = +10V @ 250 mA
- 50 Ohm Matched Input/Output
- 32 Lead 5x5 mm SMT Package: 25 mm<sup>2</sup>

### Functional Diagram



### General Description

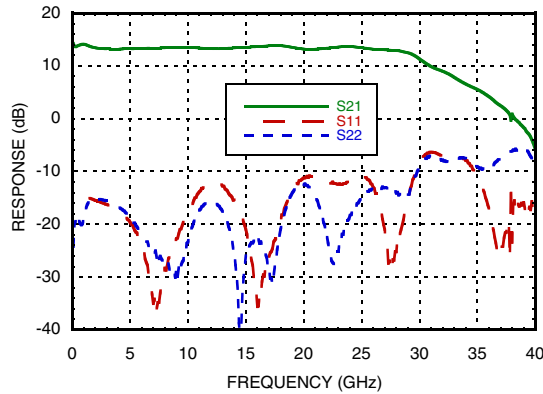
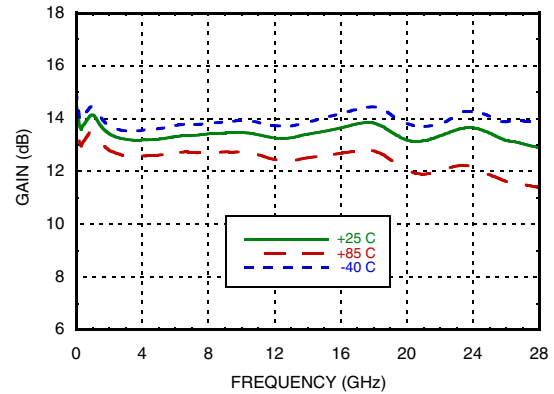
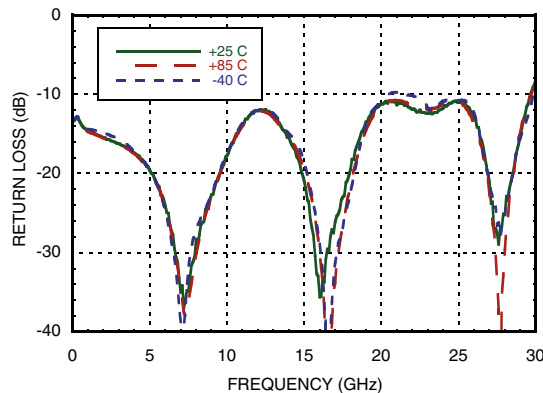
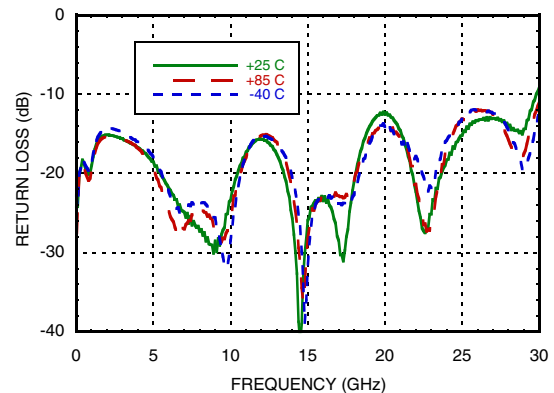
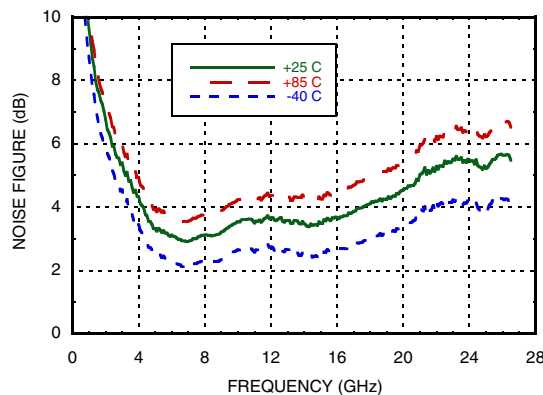
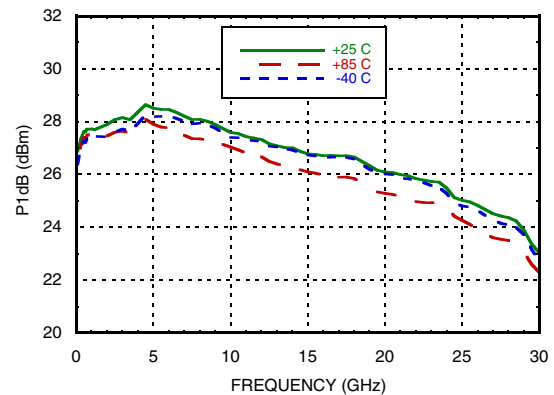
The HMC994LP5E is a GaAs pHEMT MMIC Distributed Wideband Power Amplifier which operates between DC and 28 GHz. The amplifier provides 13 dB of gain, +29 dBm of saturated output power, and 23% PAE from a +10V supply. With up to +38 dBm Output IP3 the HMC994LP5E is ideal for high linearity applications in military and space as well as point-to-point and point-to-multi-point radios. The HMC994LP5E exhibits a very flat gain from 4 to 16 GHz making it ideal for EW, ECM, Radar and test equipment applications. The HMC994LP5E amplifier I/Os are internally matched to 50 Ohms and is packaged in a leadless QFN 5x5 mm surface mount package.

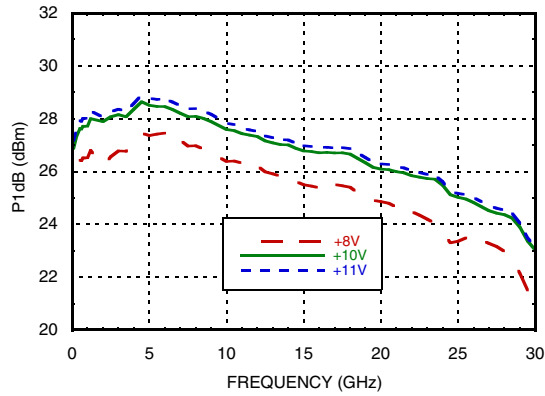
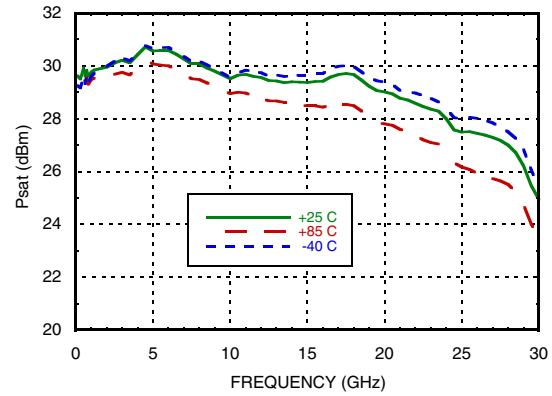
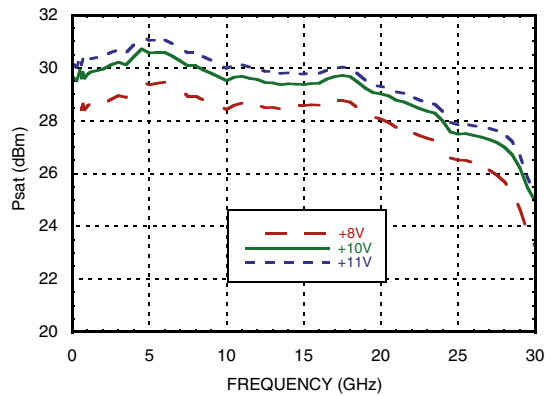
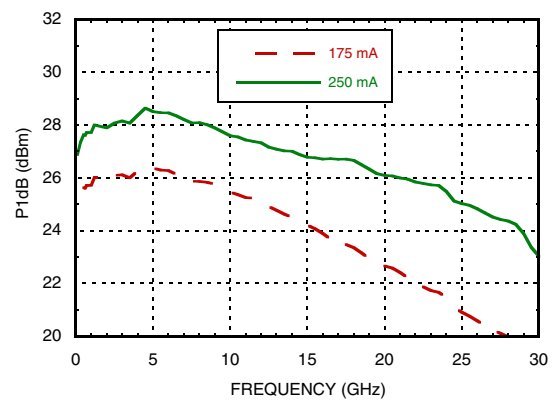
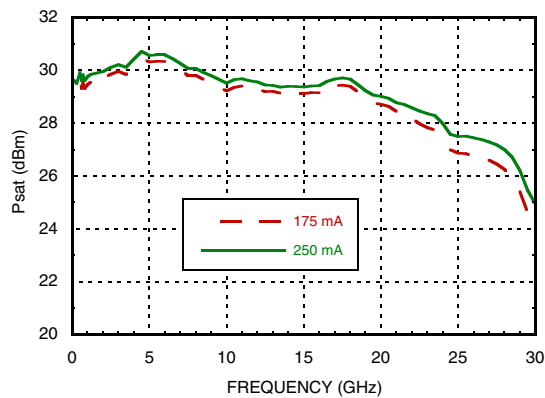
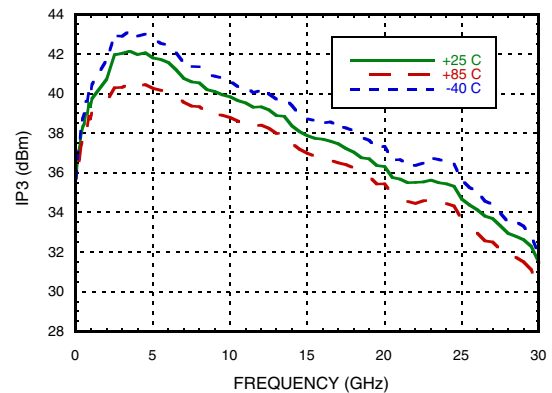
### Electrical Specifications, $T_A = +25^\circ C$ , $V_{dd} = +10V$ , $V_{gg} = 3.5V$ , $I_{dd} = 250 mA$ [1]

Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Frequency Range	DC - 10			10 - 20			20 - 28			GHz
Gain	11	13		11	13		11	13		dB
Gain Flatness		±0.5			±0.5			±0.5		dB
Gain Variation Over Temperature		0.008			0.011			1.016		dB/ °C
Input Return Loss		18			15			12		dB
Output Return Loss		18			16			12		dB
Output Power for 1 dB Compression (P1dB)	26	28		24.5	27		22.5	25		dBm
Saturated Output Power (Psat)		30			29.5			28		dBm
Output Third Order Intercept (IP3) [2]		41			37			35		dBm
Noise Figure		4			4			5		dB
Total Supply Current		250	300		250	300		250	300	mA

[1] Adjust Vgg between -2 to 0V to achieve Idd = 250 mA typical.

[2] Measurement taken at Pout / tone = +16 dBm.

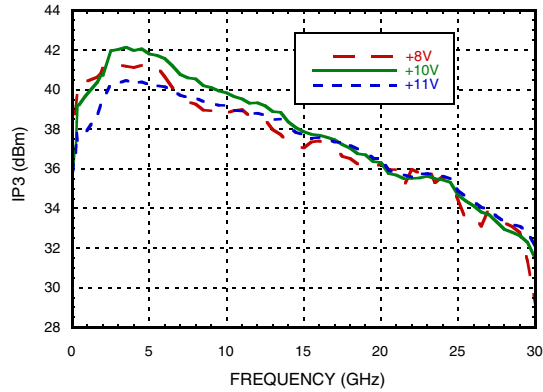
**Gain & Return Loss**

**Gain vs. Temperature**

**Input Return Loss vs. Temperature**

**Output Return Loss vs. Temperature**

**Noise Figure vs. Temperature**

**P1dB vs. Temperature**


**P1dB vs Supply Voltage**

**Psat vs. Temperature**

**Psat vs. Supply Voltage**

**P1dB vs. Supply Current**

**Psat vs. Supply Current**

**Output IP3 vs. Temperature,  
 Pout/1tone = +16 dBm**


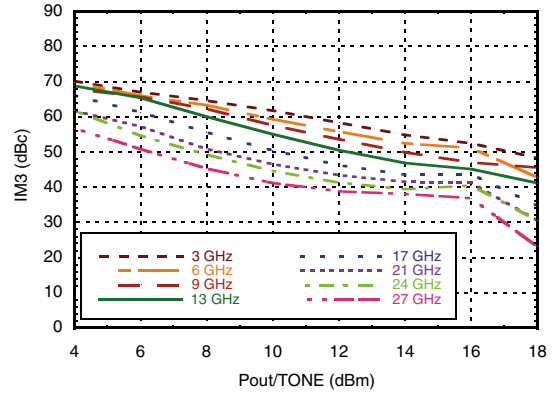


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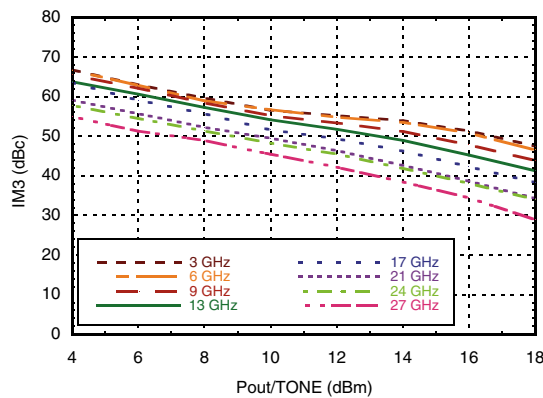
**Output IP3 vs. Supply Voltage,  
Pout/tone = +16 dBm**



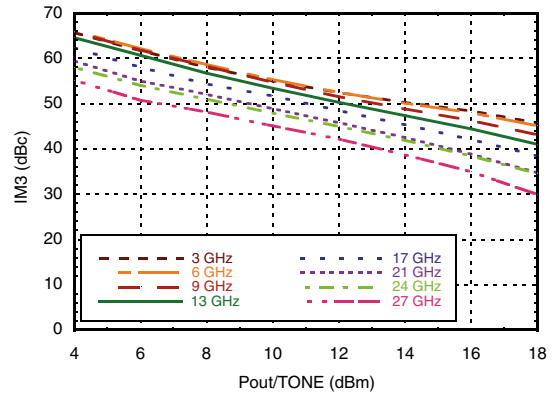
**Output IM3 @ Vdd = +8V**



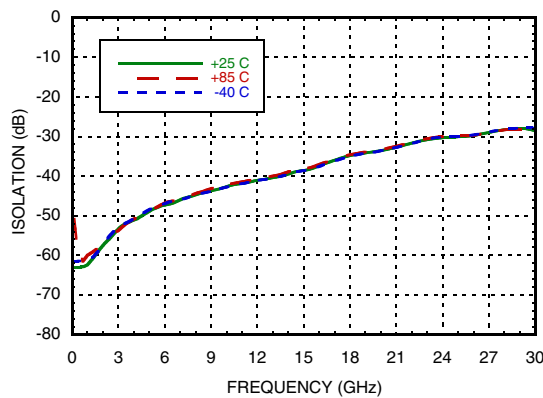
**Output IM3 @ Vdd = +10V**



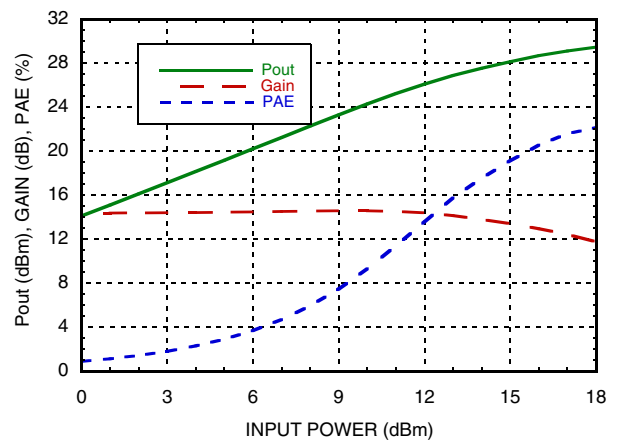
**Output IM3 @ Vdd = +11V**



**Reverse Isolation vs. Temperature**



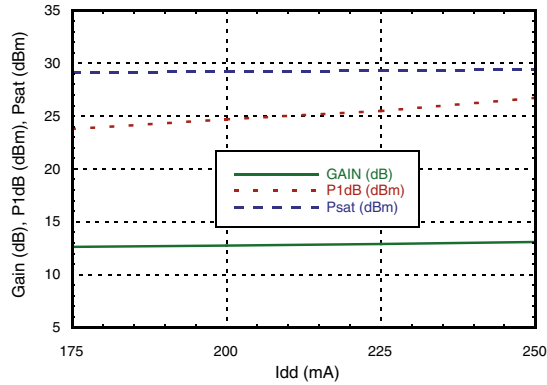
**Power Compression @ 16 GHz**



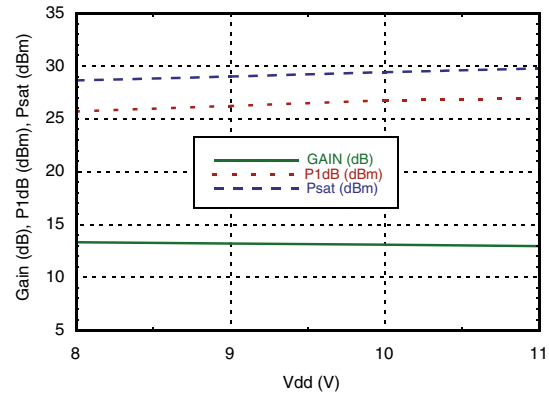


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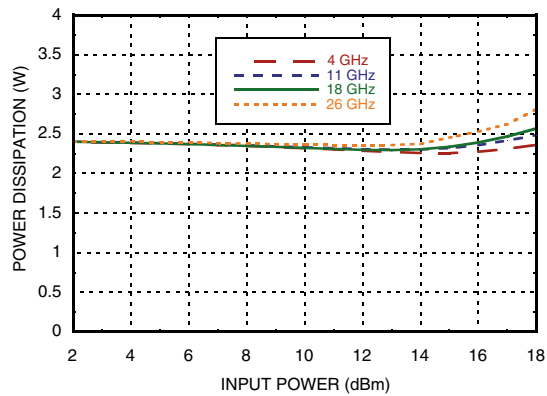
**Gain & Power vs.  
Supply Current @ 16 GHz**



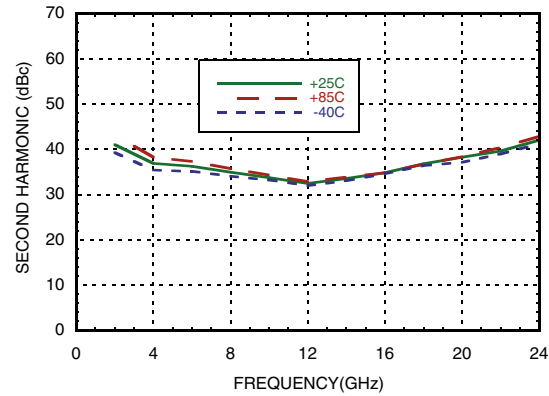
**Gain & Power vs.  
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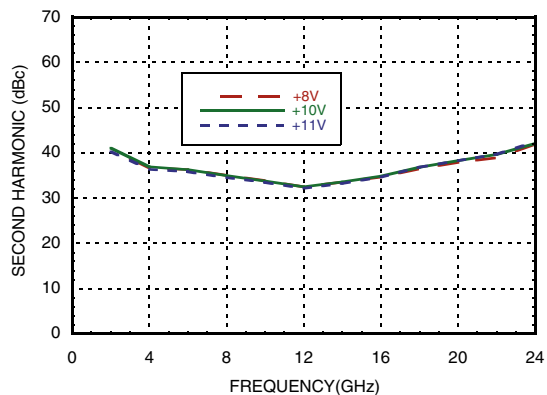
**Power Dissipation**



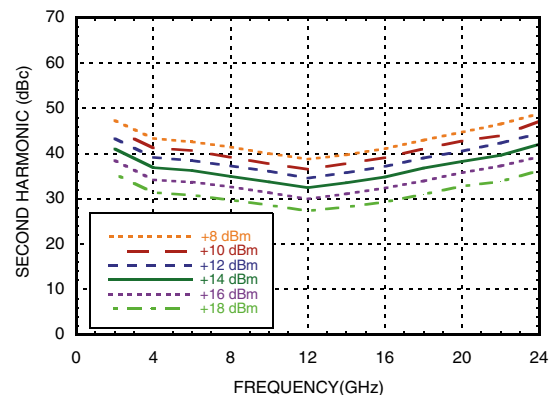
**Second Harmonics vs Temperature @  
Pout = 14 dBm**



**Second Harmonics vs Vdd @  
Pout = 14 dBm**



**Second Harmonics vs Pout**



### Absolute Maximum Ratings

Drain Bias Voltage (Vdd)	+12 Vdc
Gate Bias Voltage (Vgg)	-3 to 0 Vdc
RF Input Power (RFIN)	+25 dBm
Channel Temperature	150 °C
Continuous Pdiss (T= 85 °C) (derate 46.1 mW/°C above 85 °C)	3.0 W
Thermal Resistance (channel to ground paddle)	21.6 °C/W
Storage Temperature	-65 to 150°C
Operating Temperature	-55 to 85 °C
ESD Sensitivity (HBM)	Class 1A

### Typical Supply Current vs. Vdd

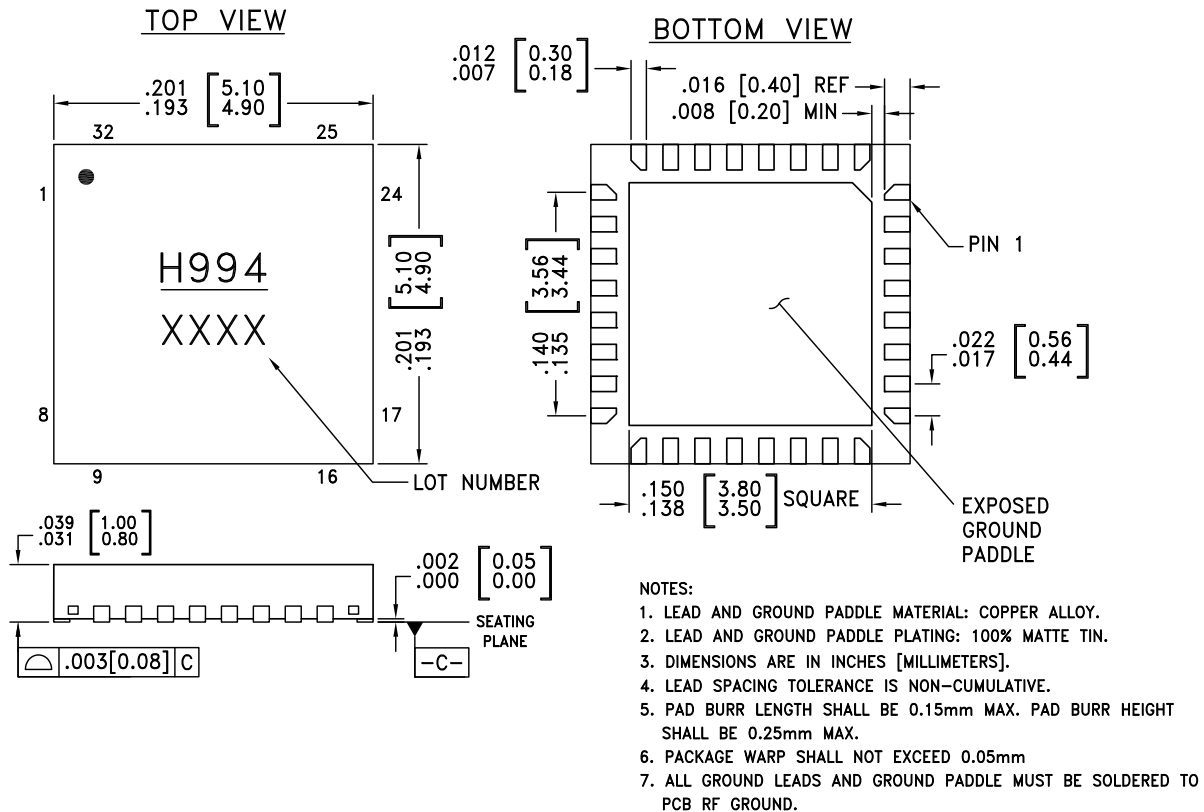
Vdd (V)	Idd (mA)
+8	250
+9	250
+10	250
+11	250

Adjust Vgg1 to achieve Idd = 250 mA



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### Outline Drawing




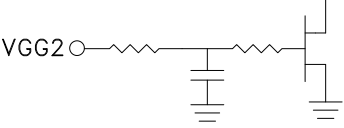
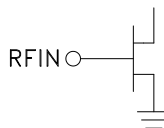
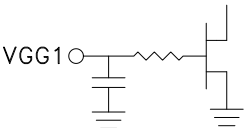
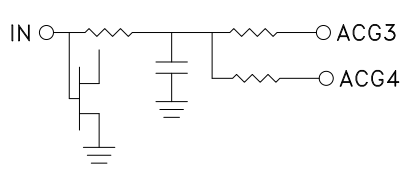
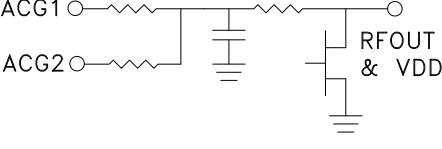
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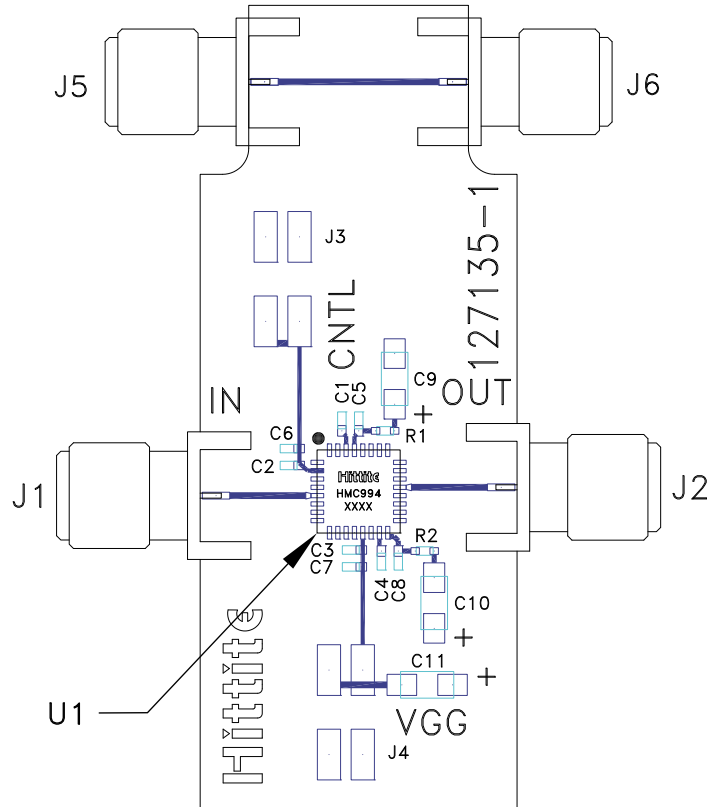
Part Number	Package Body Material	Lead Finish	MSL Rating [2]	Package Marking [1]
HMC994LP5E	RoHS-compliant Low Stress Injection Molded Plastic	100% matte Sn	MSL1	H994 XXXX

[1] 4-Digit lot number XXXX

[2] Max peak reflow temperature of 260 °C


**Pin Descriptions**

Pin Number	Function	Description	Interface Schematic
1, 4, 6, 14, 20, 22, Package Bottom	GND	These pins & exposed ground paddle must be connected to RF/DC ground.	
2	VGG2	Gate control 2 for amplifier. Attach bypass capacitor per application circuit herein. For nominal operation +3.5V should be applied to Vgg2	
3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 31, 32	N/C	No connection required. These pins may be connected to RF/DC ground without affecting performance.	
5	RFIN	This pin is DC coupled and matched to 50 Ohms. Blocking capacitor is required.	
13	Vgg1	Gate control 1 for amplifier. Attach bypass capacitor per application circuit herein. Please follow "MMIC Amplifier Biasing Procedure" application note.	
15	ACG4	Low Frequency termination. Attach bypass capacitor per application circuit herein.	
16	ACG3		
21	RFOUT & Vdd	RF output for amplifier. Connect DC bias (Vdd) network to provide drain current (Idd). See application circuit herein.	
29	ACG2	Low frequency termination. Attach bypass capacitor per application circuit herein	
30	ACG1		

**Evaluation PCB**

**Evaluation Order Information**

Item	Contents	Part Number
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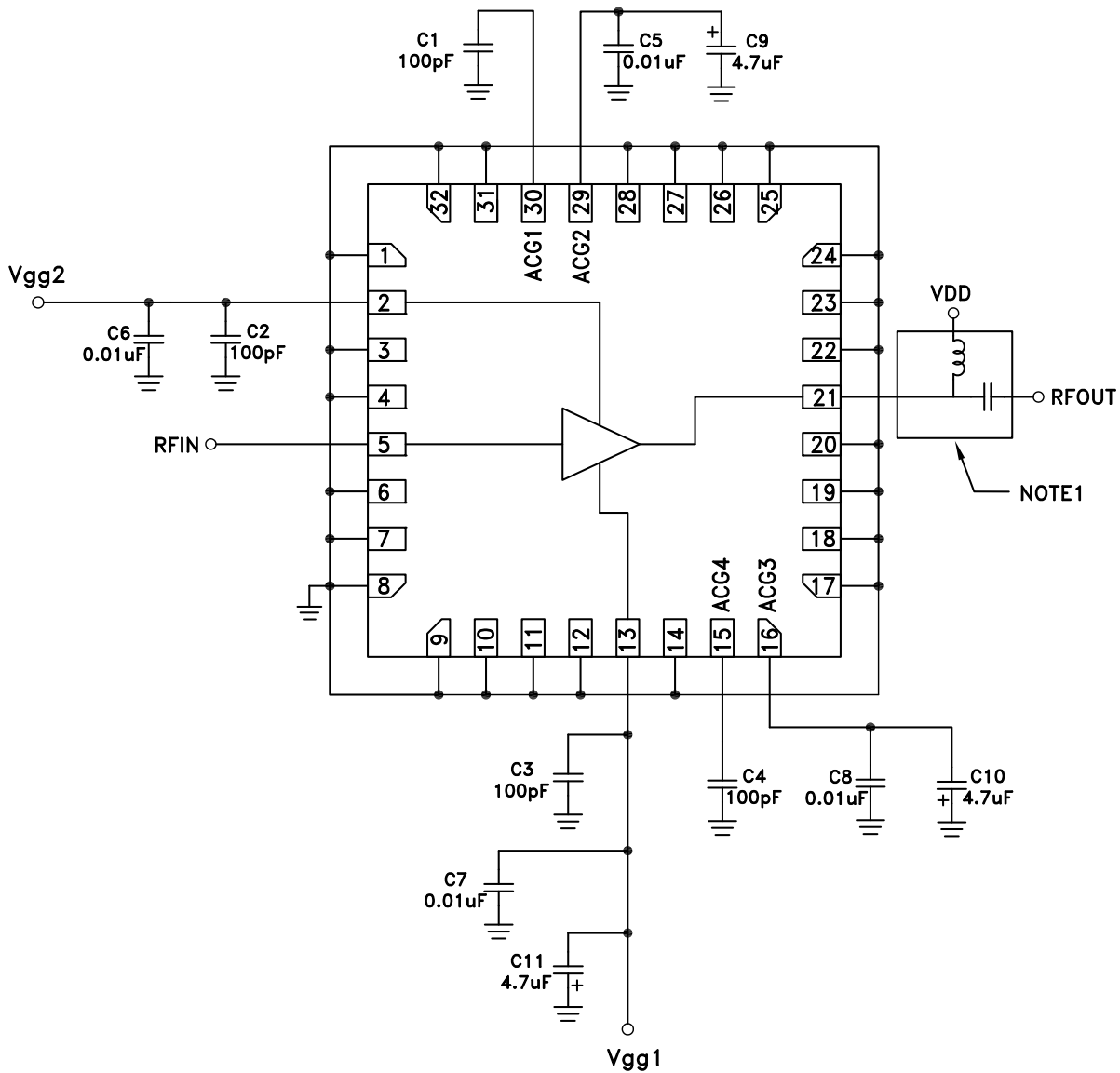
[1] Reference this number when ordering Evaluation PCB Only

**List of Materials for Evaluation PCB EVAL01-HMC994LP5E**

Item	Description
J1, J2, J5, J6	PCB Mount SMA RF Connector
J3, J4	DC Pins.
C1 - C4	1000 pF Capacitor, 0402 Pkg.
C5 - C8	10 kpF Capacitor, 0402 Pkg.
C9 - C11	4.7 uF Capacitor, Tantalum.
R1, R2	0 Ohm Resistor, 0402 Pkg.
U1	HMC994LP5E
PCB [1]	127135 Evaluation PCB.

[1] Circuit Board Material: Rogers 4350 or Arlon 25FR

The circuit board used in the application should use RF circuit design techniques. Signal lines should have 50 Ohm impedance while the package ground leads and exposed paddle should be connected directly to the ground plane similar to that shown. A sufficient number of via holes should be used to connect the top and bottom ground planes. The evaluation circuit board shown is available from Hittite upon request.

**Application Circuit**


NOTE 1: Drain Bias (Vdd) must be applied through a broadband bias tee or external bias network.



**Notes**