# **Preliminary**

**RF2046** 

### GENERAL PURPOSE AMPLIFIER

# Typical Applications

- Broadband, Low Noise Gain Blocks
- IF or RF Buffer Amplifiers
- Driver Stage for Power Amplifiers
- Final PA for Low Power Applications
- High Reliability Applications
- Broadband Test Equipment

# **Product Description**

The RF2046 is a general purpose, low cost RF amplifier IC. The device is manufactured on an advanced Gallium Arsenide Heterojunction Bipolar Transistor (HBT) process, and has been designed for use as an easily-cascadable  $50\Omega$  gain block. Applications include IF and RF amplification in wireless voice and data communication products operating in frequency bands up to  $3000\,\text{MHz}$ . The device is self-contained with  $50\Omega$  input and output impedances and requires only two external DC biasing elements to operate as specified. With a goal of enhanced reliability, the extremely small Micro-X ceramic package offers significantly lower thermal resistance than similar size plastic packages.

45° + 1° - 0.055 + 0.002 + 0.002 - 0.040 - 0.040 - 0.020 - 0.040 - 0.002 - 0.002 - 0.002 - 0.002 - 0.002 - 0.002

Package Style: Micro-X Ceramic

- NOTES:
- 1. Shaded lead is pin 1.
- 2. Darkened areas are metallization.

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- Si BJT
- **▼** GaAs HBT
- ☐ GaAs MESFET
- ☐ Si Bi-CMOS ☐ SiGe HBT ☐ Si CMOS

# Features

- DC to 3000MHz Operation
- Internally matched Input and Output
- 22dB Small Signal Gain
- 3.8dB Noise Figure
- 10mW Linear Output Power
- Single Positive Power Supply

GND

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RF IN 1

3 RF OUT

Functional Block Diagram

Ordering Information

RF2046 General Purpose Amplifier
RF2046 PCBA Fully Assembled Evaluation Board

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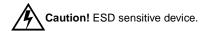
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## **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Parameter	Rating	Unit
Supply Current	75	mA
Input RF Power	+15	dBm
Operating Ambient Temperature	-40 to +85	°C
Storage Temperature	-60 to +150	°C



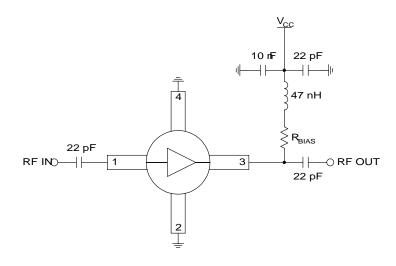
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Parameter	Specification		Unit	Condition		
Parameter	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Condition	
Overall					T=25 °C, V <sub>D</sub> =3.5 V, I <sub>CC</sub> =35 mA	
Frequency Range		DC to 3000		MHz		
Gain		22.9		dB	Freq=100MHz	
		22.2		dB	Freq=1000MHz	
	18	20.8		dB	Freq=2000MHz	
		19.2		dB	Freq=3000MHz	
Gain Flatness		±1.1		dB	100MHz to 2000MHz	
Noise Figure		3.8		dB	Freq=2000MHz	
Input VSWR		1.7:1			In a 50Ω system, DC to 3000MHz	
Output VSWR		1.7:1			In a 50Ω system, DC to 3000MHz	
Output IP <sub>3</sub>		+23		dBm	Freq=2000MHz±100kHz, P <sub>TONE</sub> =-18dBm	
Output P <sub>1dB</sub>		+12.1		dBm	Freq=2000MHz	
Reverse Isolation		23.2		dB	Freq=2000MHz	
Thermal					I <sub>CC</sub> =35mA, P <sub>DISS</sub> =120mW	
Theta <sub>JC</sub>		199		°C/W		
Maximum junction temperature		109		°C		
Mean Time Between Failures		2.0x10 <sup>4</sup>		years	T <sub>AMB</sub> =+85°C	
Mean Time Between Failures		1.4x10 <sup>7</sup>		years	T <sub>AMB</sub> =+25°C	
Mean Time Between Failures		5.3x10 <sup>11</sup>		years	T <sub>AMB</sub> =-40°C	
Power Supply					With 22Ω bias resistor	
Operating Voltage	3.0	3.5	4.0	V	At pin 3 with I <sub>CC</sub> =35mA	
Operating Current		35		mA		

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Pin	Function	Description	Interface Schematic
1	RF IN	RF input pin. This pin is NOT internally DC blocked. A DC blocking capacitor, suitable for the frequency of operation, should be used in most applications. DC coupling of the input is not allowed, because this will override the internal feedback loop and cause temperature instability.	
2	GND	Ground connection. Keep traces physically short and connect immediately to ground plane for best performance.	
3	RF OUT	RF output and bias pin. Biasing is accomplished with an external series resistor and choke inductor to $V_{CC}$ . The resistor is selected to set the DC current into this pin to a desired level. The resistor value is determined by the following equation: $R = \frac{(V_{SUPPLY} - V_{DEVICE})}{I_{CC}}$ Care should also be taken in the resistor selection to <b>ensure that the current into the part never exceeds 75 mA over the planned operating temperature</b> . This means that a resistor between the supply and this pin is always required, even if a supply near 3.6V is available, to provide DC feedback to prevent thermal runaway. Because DC is present on this pin, a DC blocking capacitor, suitable for the frequency of operation, should be used in most applications. The supply side of the bias network should also be well bypassed.	RF INO
4	GND	Same as pin 2.	

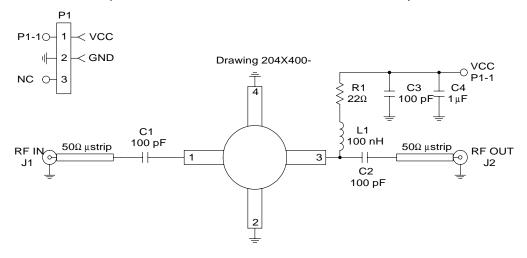
# **Application Schematic**



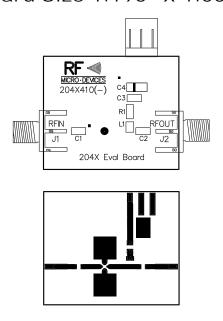
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# **Evaluation Board Schematic**

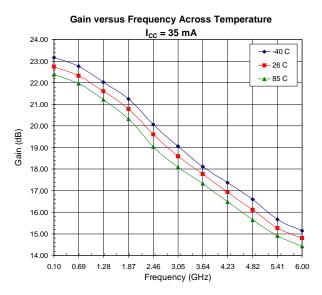
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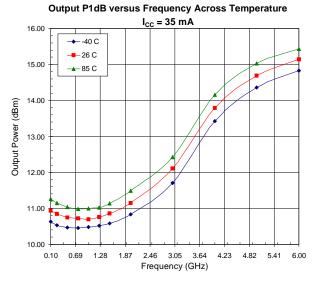


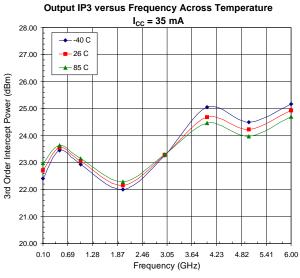
# Evaluation Board Layout Board Size 1.195" x 1.000"

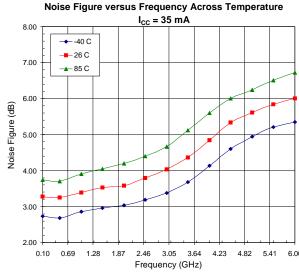


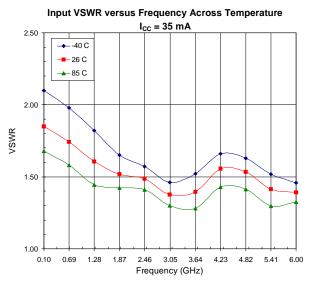
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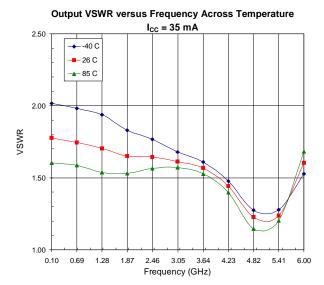






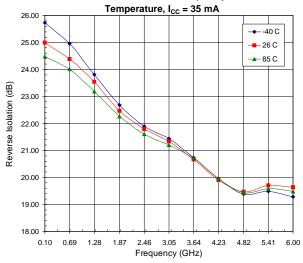




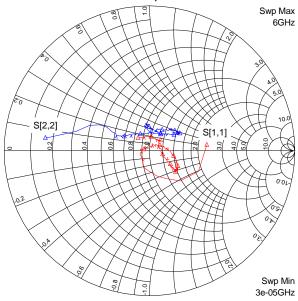


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### **Reverse Isolation versus Frequency Across**



## 50 Ohms, 35 mA



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