AM1145 – Amplifier

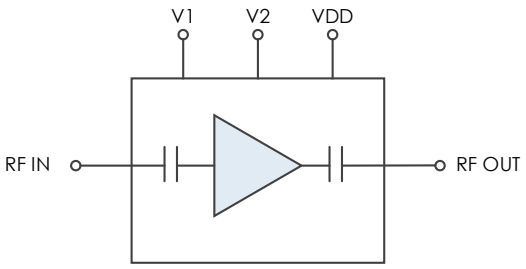
2 to 18 GHz Variable Positive Gain Slope Amplifier

The AM1145 is a wideband digitally controlled variable slope amplifier that covers the 2-18GHz frequency range. The device exhibits low gain at the lower frequencies ascending to higher gain levels at higher frequencies. The increasing gain makes it an ideal solution to equalize gain/insertion loss across an RF system. The AM1145 has four different slope options to allow flexibility in achieving maximum gain flatness in a system while providing unchanged nonlinear performance. It is packaged in a 3mm QFN with internal 50Ω matching and draws 200mW of DC power which makes the AM1145 ideal for demanding, low SWaP applications.

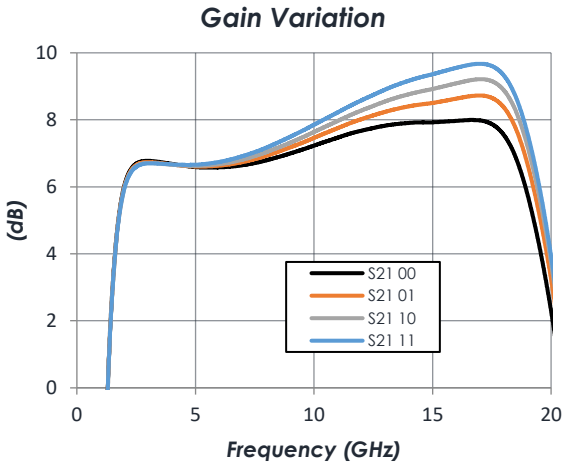
FEATURES

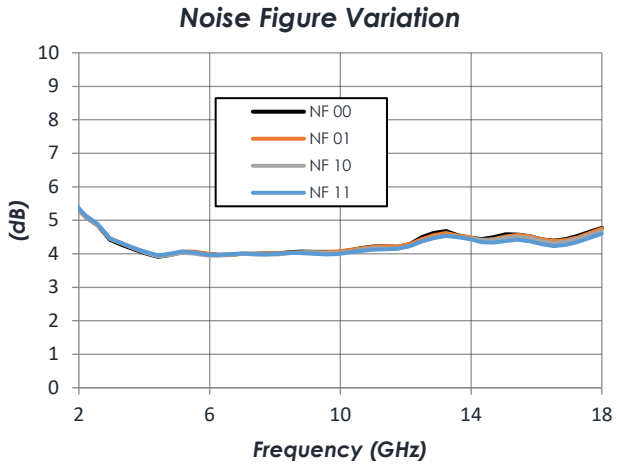
- 2 dB Gain Slope Variation
- 6 dB Gain at 2 GHz
- 8-10 dB Gain at 18 GHz
- +28 dBm OIP3
- +16 dBm P1dB
- 200 mW DC Power Consumption
- +3.3V VDD and Control
- 3mm QFN Package
- -40C to +85C Operation
- Unconditionally Stable

FUNCTIONAL DIAGRAM



CHARACTERISTIC PERFORMANCE





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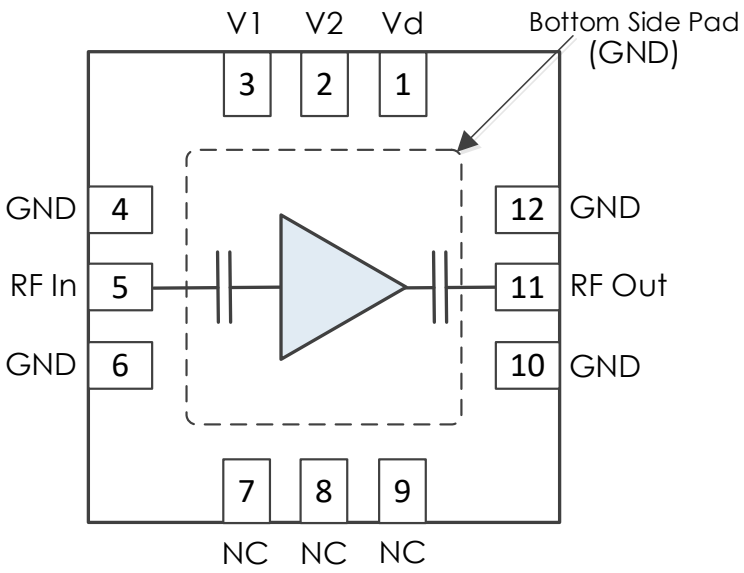
REVISION HISTORY

Date	Revision	Notes
March 17, 2022	1	Initial Release
February 12, 2025	2.0	Changed to Mercury branding. No content changes.

PIN LAYOUT AND DEFINITIONS



Pin	Name	Function
1	Vd	DC Power Input
2	V2	Control Voltage 2
3	V1	Control Voltage 1
4	GND	Ground – Common
5	RF In	RF Input – 50 Ohms – AC Coupled
6	GND	Ground – Common
7-9	NC	No Connect*
10	GND	Ground – Common
11	RF Out	RF Output – 50 Ohms – AC Coupled
12	GND	Ground – Common

* **Note:** NC pins may be grounded or left floating.

SPECIFICATIONS

Absolute Maximum Ratings

	Minimum	Maximum
Supply Voltage	-0.3 V	+6 V
RF Input Power		+20 dBm
Storage Temperature Range	-55C	+150 C

Note: Any device operation beyond the Absolute Maximum Ratings may result in permanent damage to the device. The values listed in this table are extremes and do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond what is listed under Recommended Operating Conditions. Devices subjected to conditions outside of what is recommended for extended periods may affect device reliability.

Handling Information

	Minimum	Maximum
Moisture Sensitivity Level	MSL 3	

Mercury products are electrostatic sensitive.
Follow safe handling practices to avoid damage.

Timing Characteristics

(T = 25 °C unless otherwise specified)

Param	Minimum	Typical	Maximum
Switching Speed		20 ns	

Note: Timing Characteristics measured from 50% control to 90% RF.

Recommended Operating Conditions

	Minimum	Typical	Maximum
Supply Voltage		+3.3 V	
Operating Case Temperature	-40 C		+85 C

Thermal Information

Junction to Case Thermal Resistance (θ_{JC})	331 C/W
Nominal Junction Temperature at +85C Ambient	150 C
Channel Temperature to Maintain 1 Million Hour MTTF	175 C

DC Electrical Characteristics

(T = 25 °C unless otherwise specified)

Param	Testing Conditions	Min	Typical	Max
DC Supply Voltage			+3.3 V	
DC Supply Current	All States, VDD = +3.3 V		60 mA	
Power Dissipated	VDD = +3.3 V		200 mW	
Logic Level Low		-0.1 V		+0.4 V
Logic Level High		+2.2 V		+VDD
DC Control Current	VDD = +3.3 V		<100 µA	

State Table

(T = 25 °C unless otherwise specified)

V1	V2	Gain (20 GHz)
Low	Low	2 dB Gain Slope
Low	High	2.7 dB Gain Slope
High	Low	3.1 dB Gain Slope
High	High	3.7 dB Gain Slope

RF Performance

(T = 25 °C unless otherwise specified)

Param	Testing Conditions	Min	Typical	Max
Frequency Range		2 GHz		18 GHz
Gain	State 00, f=2GHz		6 dB	
	State 01, f=2GHz		6 dB	
	State 10, f=2GHz		6 dB	
	State 11, f=2GHz		6 dB	
	State 00, f=18GHz		7.9 dB	
	State 01, f=18GHz		8.6 dB	
	State 10, f=18GHz		9 dB	
	State 11, f=18GHz		9.5 dB	
Return Loss	f = 10GHz		-15 dB	
Output IP3	f = 10GHz		+28 dBm	
Output P1dB	f = 10GHz		+16.4 dBm	
Noise Figure	f = 10GHz		4.0 dB	

***Note:** OIP3 measured with 10 MHz tone spacing.

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE

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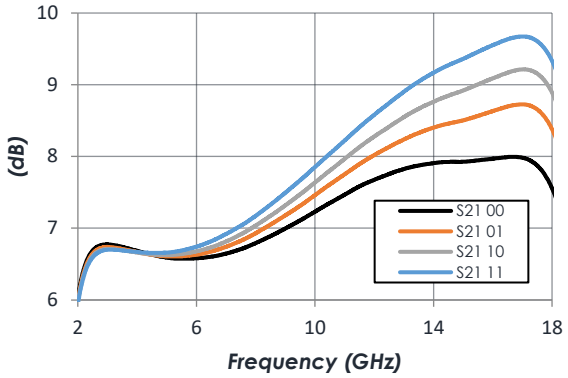
Gain Variation



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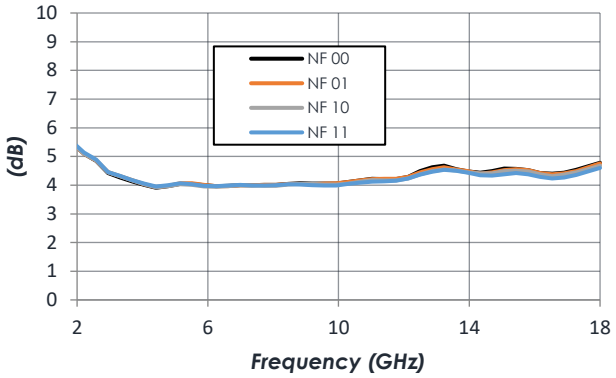

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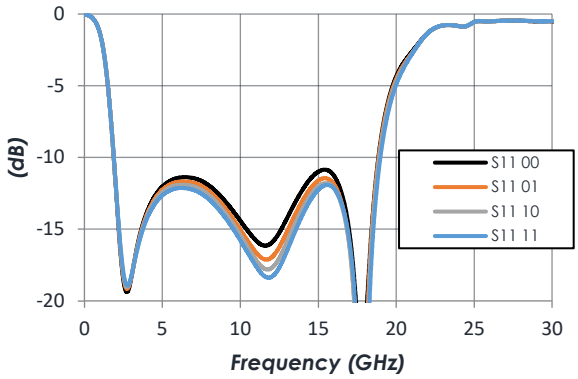

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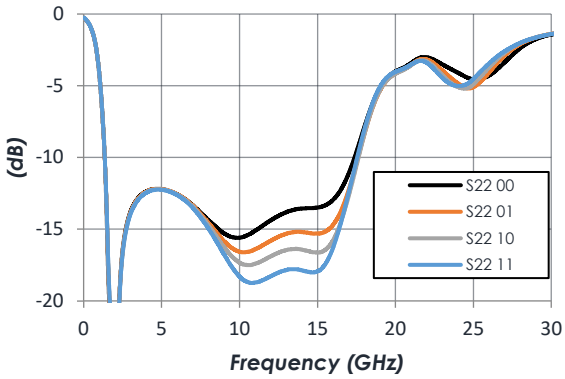

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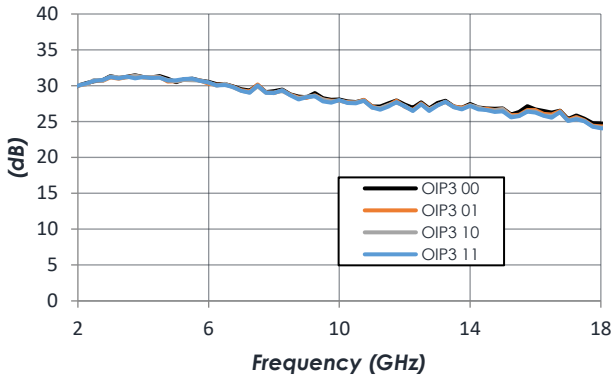

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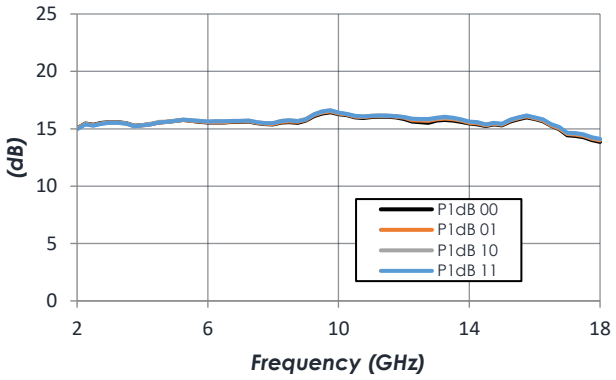

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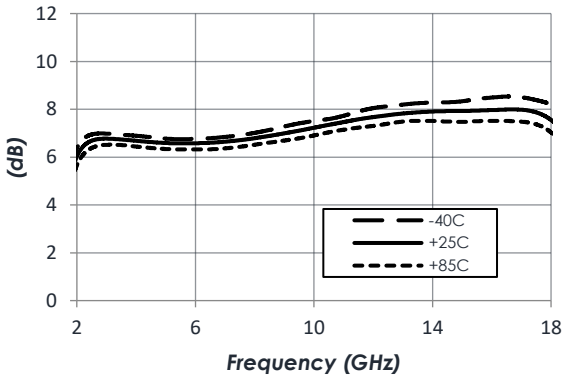
Gain vs Temperature State 00



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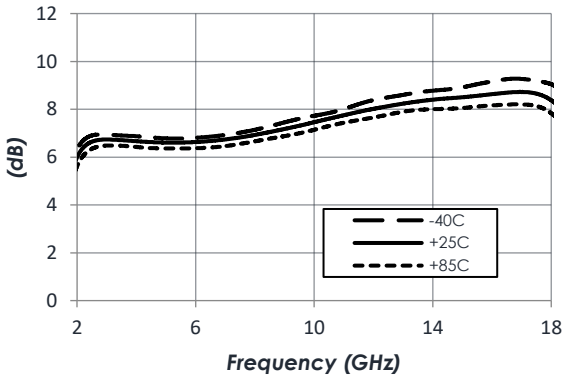

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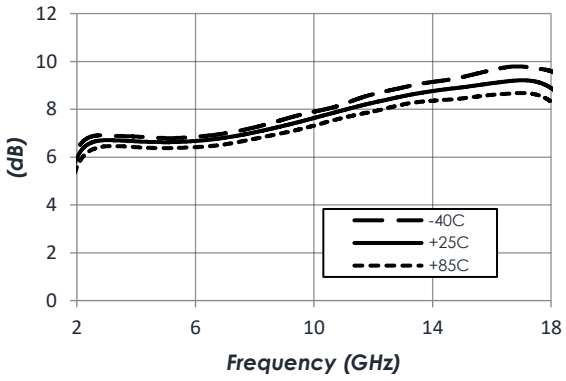

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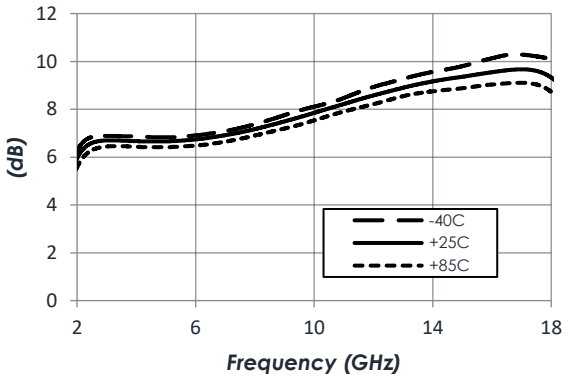

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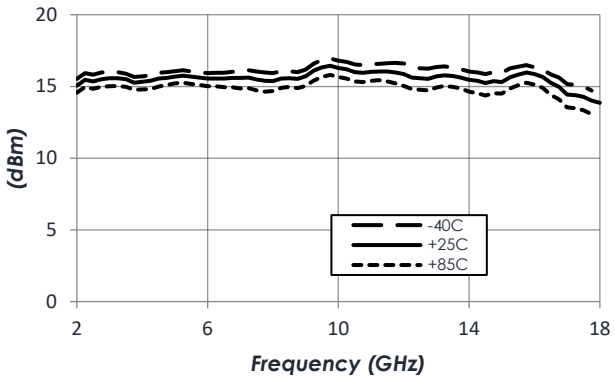
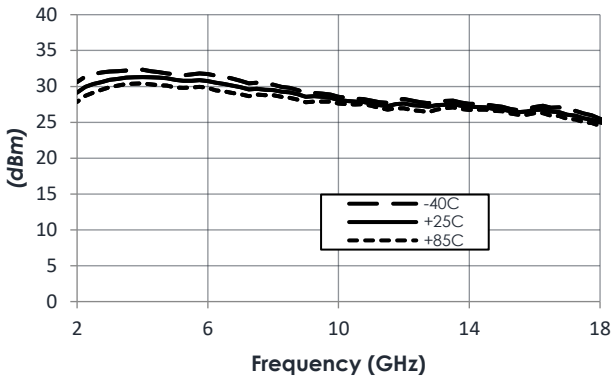


Output IP3 vs Temperature



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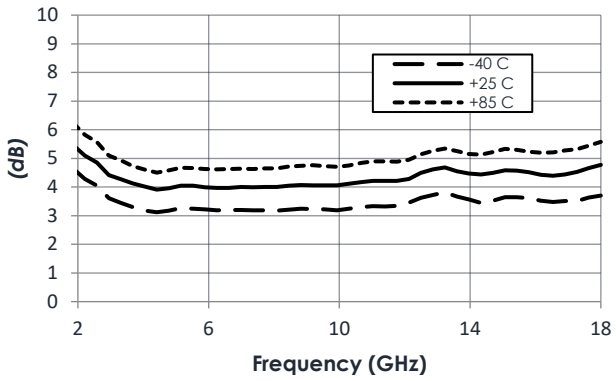
Noise Figure vs Temperature State 00



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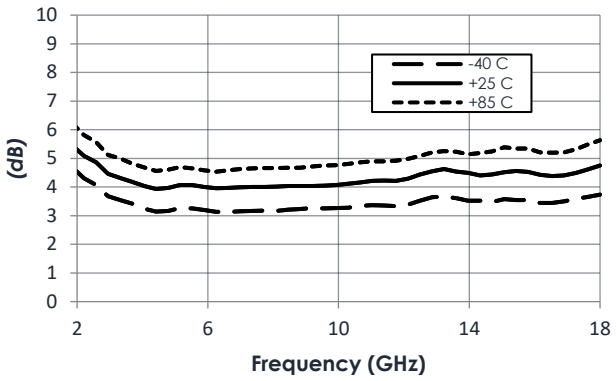

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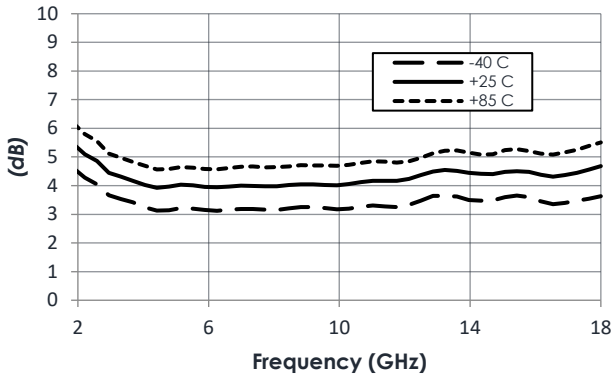

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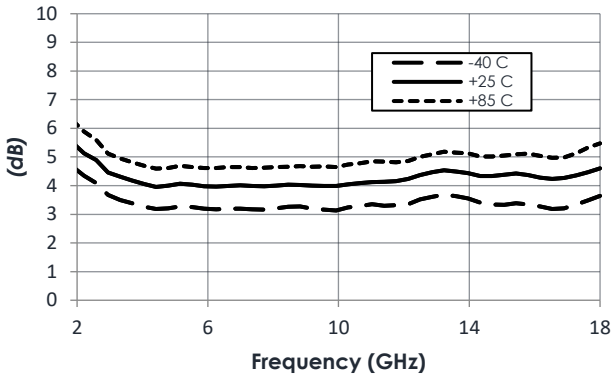

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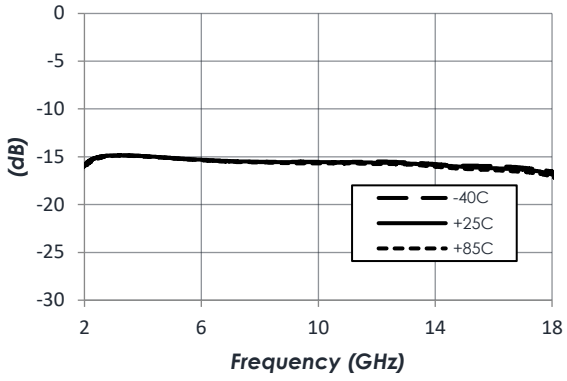

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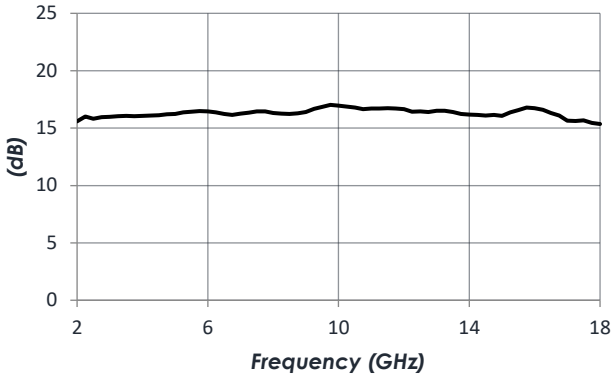
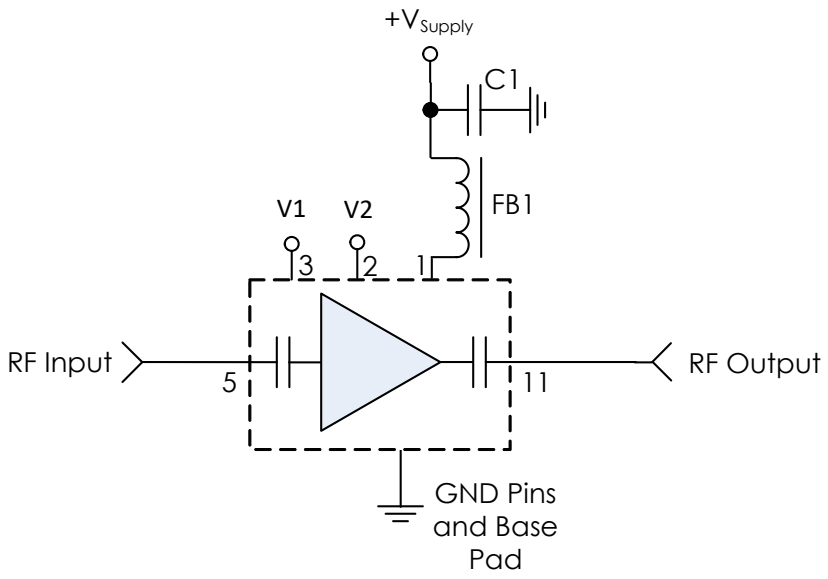


TYPICAL APPLICATION



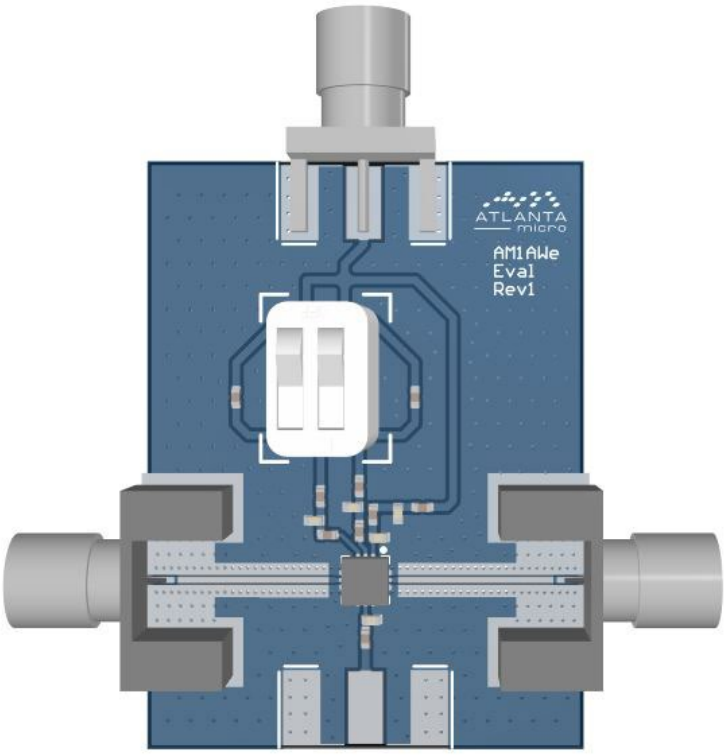
Recommended Component List (or Equivalent)

Part	Value	Part Number	Manufacturer
C1	0.1 µF	C1005X7R1H104K05BB	TDK
FB1	-	MMZ1005A222E	TDK

Notes:

1. Control lines are filtered internally providing high frequency isolation.
2. AM1145 is AC coupled. No external DC blocking caps are required.

EVALUATION PC BOARD



RELATED PARTS

Part Number		Description
AM1102	DC to 22 GHz	Low Noise Amplifier
AM1110	2 GHz to 18 GHz	Slope Correcting Amplifier
AM1113	2 GHz to 18 GHz	Slope Correcting Amplifier
AM1114	2 GHz to 18 GHz	Slope Correcting Amplifier
AM1135	6 GHz to 26.5 GHz	Variable Gain Amplifier
AM1146	2 GHz to 18 GHz	Variable Gain Amplifier

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