

DATA SHEET

SKY65014-92LF: InGaP Cascadable Amplifier LF-9 GHz

Features

- Broadband: LF-9 GHz
- Small signal gain: 15 dB typ. @ 2 GHz
- High output 3rd order intercept: 36 dBm typ.
- OP_1 dB: 18 dBm typ. @ 2 GHz
- Input and output impedance: 50 Ω nominal
- Single, positive DC supply voltage
- Miniature SC-88 package
- Available lead (Pb)-free and RoHS-compliant MSL-1 @ 260 °C per JEDEC J-STD-020

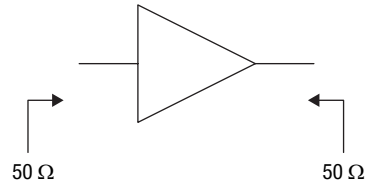
Applications

- Wireless infrastructure: WLAN, HLAN, DBS, broadband, cellular base stations
- Test instrumentation
- CATV

Description

The SKY65014 is a general-purpose, broadband amplifier fabricated from Skyworks InGaP HBT process and packaged in a miniature SC-88 package. The amplifier's input and output impedances are 50 Ω , which allows these amplifiers to be cascaded without external impedance matching networks. The typical -3 dB bandwidth of the SKY65014 is LF-9 GHz.

This amplifier is also available in the plastic micro-X package (SKY65014-214LF) and the SOT-89 package (SKY65014-70LF).

Functional Block Diagram

NEW


Skyworks offers lead (Pb)-free, RoHS (Restriction of Hazardous Substances)-compliant packaging.

The SKY65014 is lead (Pb)-free and RoHS-compliant.

A populated evaluation board is available upon request.

Full scattering parameters for this part are available for download at www.skyworksinc.com.

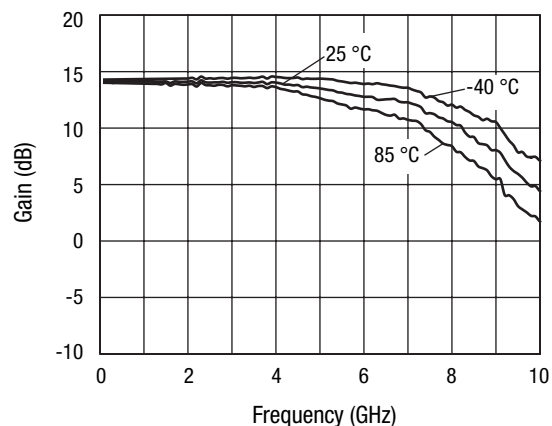
Electrical Specifications at 25 °C

T = 25 °C, I_S = 70 mA, P_{IN} = 0 dBm, Z₀ = 50 Ω, measured in evaluation board, unless otherwise noted

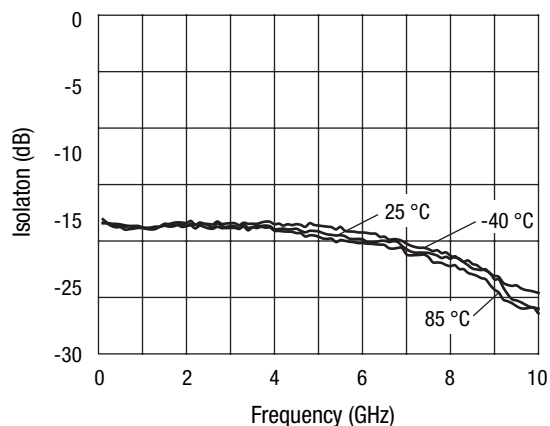
| Parameter | Symbol | Condition | Frequency | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|--|----------------|------|-------|-------|------|
| Small signal gain | GP | | 2 GHz | 13 | 15 | 16 | dB |
| 3 dB gain bandwidth | BW _{3 dB} | | 3 dB | | 7.5 | | GHz |
| Noise figure | NF | | 2 GHz | | 5.4 | | dB |
| Output power at 1 dB compression | OP _{1 dB} | | 2 GHz | 17 | 18 | | dBm |
| Input and output VSWR | VSWR | | 0.1–8 GHz | | 1.9:1 | 2.0:1 | |
| Output third order intercept point | OIP3 | P _{IN} = 0 dBm each tone, Δf = 10 MHz | 2 GHz | | 36 | | dBm |
| Operating voltage | V _D | Measured at pin 6 | | 4.2 | 4.7 | 5 | V |
| Reverse isolation | S ₁₂ | | 0.1–7.5 GHz | | 18 | | dB |
| Gain flatness | | | 10 MHz–7.5 GHz | | ±1.5 | | dB |
| Thermal resistance | θ _{JC} | | | | 225 | | °C/W |

Typical Performance Data

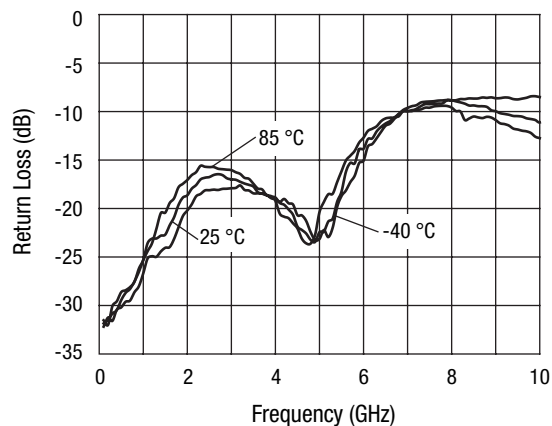
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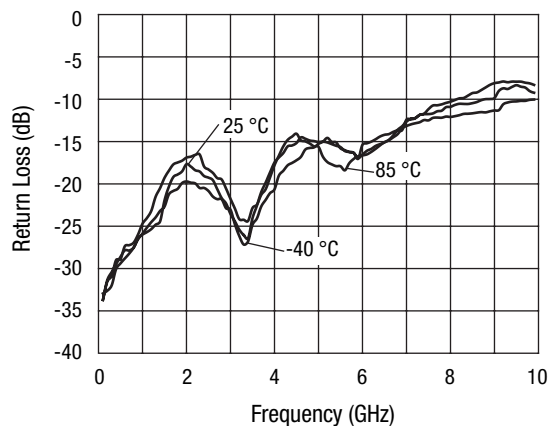
Gain vs. Frequency



Isolation vs. Frequency



Input Return Loss vs. Frequency



Output Return Loss vs. Frequency

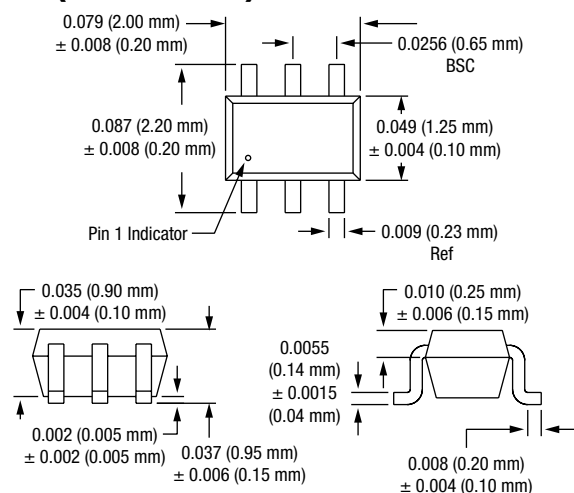
Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Characteristic | Value |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| RF input power | 15 dBm |
| Supply voltage | 5 V |
| Supply current | 120 mA |
| Power dissipation @ T = 25 °C | 600 mW |
| Operating temperature | -40 °C to +85 °C |
| Storage temperature | -65 °C to +125 °C |

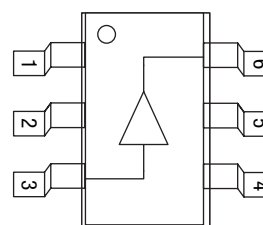
Performance is guaranteed only under the conditions listed in the specifications table and is not guaranteed under the full range(s) described by the Absolute Maximum specifications. Exceeding any of the absolute maximum/minimum specifications may result in permanent damage to the device and will void the warranty.

CAUTION: Although this device is designed to be as robust as possible, ESD (Electrostatic Discharge) can damage this device. This device must be protected at all times from ESD. Static charges may easily produce potentials of several kilovolts on the human body or equipment, which can discharge without detection. Industry-standard ESD precautions must be employed at all times.

SC-88 (6-Lead SC-70)



Pin Out (Top View)



Pin Descriptions

| Pin Number | Pin Name | Description |
|------------|----------|--|
| 1, 2, 4, 5 | GND | Equipotential point – Internal circuit common, which must be connected to the PCB ground or common via the lowest possible impedance. |
| 3 | Input | RF input – RF input with 50 Ω nominal input impedance. An internally generated DC voltage is present at this pin, so an external DC block should be used to connect this pin to the external circuit. |
| 6 | Output | RF output – DC supply voltage input and RF output with 50 Ω nominal output impedance. The nominal voltage required at this pin is listed in the Electrical Specifications Table. Supply current is determined by an external resistor connected between the DC power supply and this pin. |

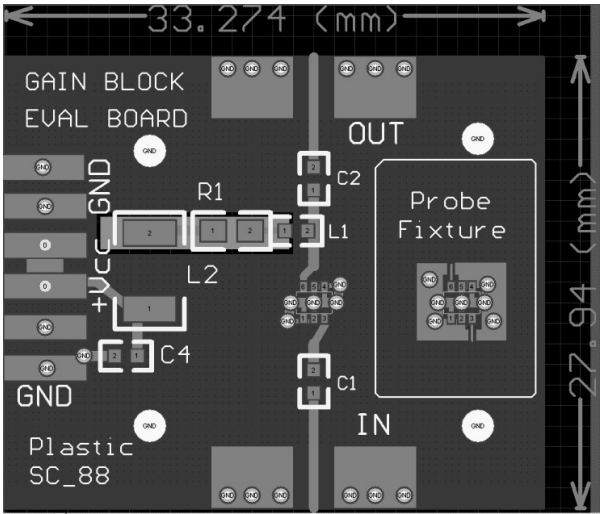
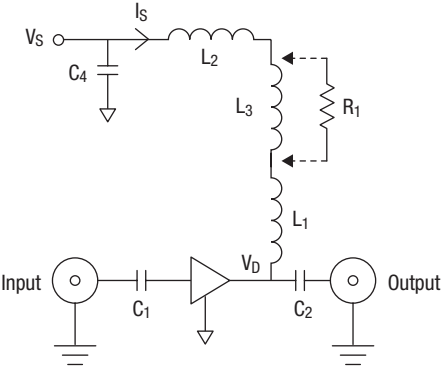
Recommended Solder Reflow Profiles

Refer to the [“Recommended Solder Reflow Profile”](#) Application Note.

Tape and Reel Information

Refer to the ["Discrete Devices and IC Switch/Attenuators Tape and Reel Package Orientation"](#) Application Note.

Evaluation Board



The SKY65014 evaluation board comprises the SKY65014 amplifier, the input and output of which are connected via 50 Ω microstrip transmission lines with DC blocking capacitors, C₁ and C₂, to the input and output SMA connectors, respectively.

The positive supply voltage, V_S, is connected to pin 6, RF Output of the amplifier via the decoupling network, which consists of C₄, L₁, L₂ and R₁. The power supply current, I_S, must be limited, either via the current limit function of an external bench power supply, or by replacing L₃ with resistor R₁, the value of which is given in the Current Limiting Resistor Values table. The evaluation board is shipped with L₃ in place, which shifts an in-band series resonance of the supply decoupling network out of band. For low frequency applications, R₁ may be used to conveniently limit supply current on the evaluation board.

The evaluation board also contains a probe fixture, which facilitates the direct measurement of the s parameters of the SKY65014. The probe fixture comprises a very short coplanar waveguide (CPW) transmission line to pin 3 and an identical line to pin 6. All other pins of the amplifier are grounded. The CPW transmission lines are compatible with ground-signal-ground wafer probe tips, which can be connected to the RF ports of a vector network analyzer (VNA) via coaxial cables. The very small electrical length of these CPW transmission lines obviates the need to de-embed their effects from the s parameters that are measured. The supply constant current must be applied via the bias tee, which is typically integrated into the VNA, which is cascaded with the output pin of the amplifier.

Evaluation Board Parts List

| Component | Description | Value | Size | Suggested Part Number | Comments |
|--|--------------|--|------|-----------------------|----------|
| C ₁ , C ₂ , C ₄ | Capacitor | 47 nF | 0603 | | |
| L ₁ | Inductor | 33 nH | 0603 | | |
| L ₂ | Ferrite bead | | | FBMH4525HM162N-T | |
| R ₁ | Resistor | See Current Limiting Resistor Values Table | 0603 | | |
| U ₁ | Amplifier | | | SKY65014 | |

Current Limiting Resistor Values

| V _S , V | R ₁ Resistance, Ω | Minimum Power Dissipation Rating, mW |
|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 5 | 4 | 125 |
| 6 | 19 | 125 |
| 7 | 33 | 250 |
| 8 | 47 | 500 |
| 9 | 61 | 500 |
| 10 | 76 | 500 |
| 12 | 104 | 1000 |

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