

GaAs MMIC VSAT Power Amplifier, 2.0 W 14.0 - 14.5 GHz

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Features

- High Linear Gain: 22 dB Typical
- High Saturated Output Power: +33 dBm Typical
- High Power Added Efficiency: 22% Typical
- High P1dB: 32 dBm Typ.
- 50 Ω Input/Output Broadband Matched
- Integrated Output Power Detector
- Lead-Free Ceramic Bolt Down Package
- RoHS* Compliant and 260°C Reflow Compatible

Description

M/A-COM's AM42-0007 is a three-stage MMIC linear power amplifier in a lead-free, ceramic bolt down style hermetic package. The AM42-0007 employs a fully matched chip with internally decoupled gate and drain bias networks and an output power detector. The AM42-0007 is designed to be operated from a constant voltage drain supply.

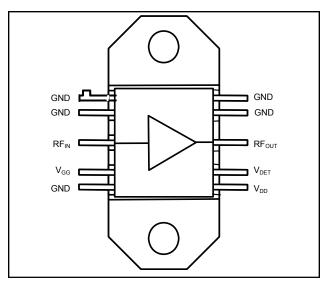
The AM42-0007 is designed for use as an output stage or a driver, in applications for VSAT systems. This design is fully monolithic and requires a minimum of external components.

M/A-COM's AM42-0007 is fabricated using a mature 0.5 micron GaAs MESFET process. The process features full passivation for increased performance and reliability. This product is 100% RF tested to ensure compliance to performance specifications.

Ordering Information

Part Number	Package
AM42-0007	Ceramic Bolt Down Package

Functional Schematic



Pin Configuration

Pin No.	Pin Name	Description	
1	GND	DC and RF Ground	
2	GND	DC and RF Ground	
3	IN	RF Input	
4	V_{GG}	Gate Supply	
5	GND	DC and RF Ground	
6	V_{DD}	Voltage Drain Supply	
7	V_{DET}	Output Power Detector	
8	OUT	RF Output	
9	GND	DC and RF Ground	
10	GND	DC and RF Ground	

^{*} Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, European Union Directive 2002/95/EC.

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Electrical Specifications: $T_A = +25$ °C, $V_{DD} = +9$ V, $V_{GG} = -5.0$ V, $Z_0 = 50\Omega$, F = 14.0-14.5 GHz

Parameter	Test Conditions	Units	Min.	Тур.	Max.
Linear Gain	P _{IN} ≤ 0 dBm	dB	19	22	_
Input VSWR	$P_{IN} \leq 0 \text{ dBm}$	Ratio	_	2.5:1	2.7:1
Output VSWR	$P_{IN} \leq 0 \text{ dBm}$	Ratio	_	2.7:1	_
Saturated Output Power	P _{IN} = +14 dBm	dBm	_	33	_
Output Power at P1dB	<u> </u>	dBm	31	32	_
Output IP3 ¹		dBm	_	41	_
Power Added Efficiency	P _{IN} = +14 dBm	%	_	22	_
Bias Current	I _{DD} (No RF) I _{GG} (No RF)	mA mA	_	850 18	 25
Thermal Resistance	25°C Heat Sink	°C/W	_	9.5	_
Detector Output Voltage	R_L = 10 K Ω , P_{OUT} = +31dBm	V	_	+3.5	_

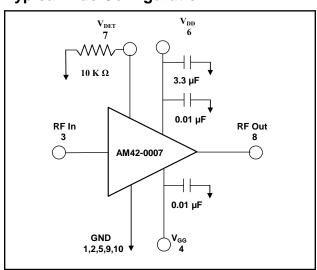
^{1.} IP₃ is measured with two +24 dBm output tones @ 1 MHz spacing

Absolute Maximum Ratings ^{2,3,4}

Parameter	Absolute Maximum		
V _{DD}	12 Volts		
V_{GG}	-10 Volts		
Power Dissipation	13.2 W		
RF Input Power	+23 dBm		
Channel Temperature	150°C		
Storage Temperature	-65°C to +150°C		
I _{DS}	2100 mA		

- 2. Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.
- 3. M/A-COM does not recommend sustained operation near these survivability limits.
- 4. Case Temperature $(T_C) = +25^{\circ}C$.

Typical Bias Configuration^{5,6,7,8,9}



- 5. Nominal bias is obtained by first connecting -5 volts to pin 4 (V_{GG}), followed by connection +9 volts to pin 6 (V_{DD}). Note
- 6. RF ground and thermal interface is the flange (case bottom). Adequate heat sinking is required.
- 7. No DC bias voltage appears at the RF ports.
- 8. For optimum IP3 performance, the V_{DD} bypass capacitors should be placed within 0.5 inches of pin 6.
- 9. Resistor and capacitors surrounding the amplifier are suggestions and not included as part of the AM42-0007.

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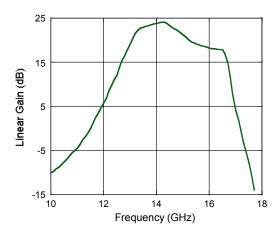


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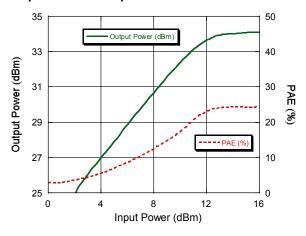
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Typical Performance Curves @ +25°C

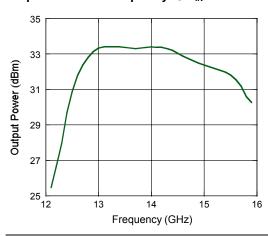
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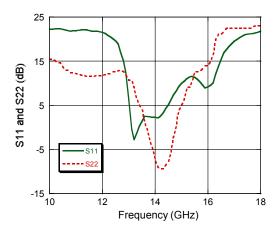
Output Power vs. Input Power @ 14.25 GHz



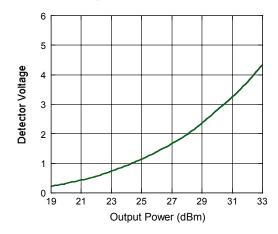
Output Power vs. Frequency @ $P_{IN} = +14 \text{ dBm}$



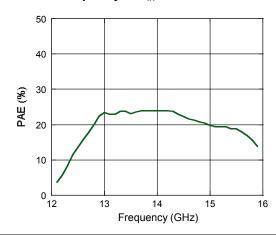
Input and Output Return Loss vs. Frequency



Detector Voltage vs. Output Power @ 14.25 GHz



PAE vs. Frequency @ $P_{IN} = +14 dBm$



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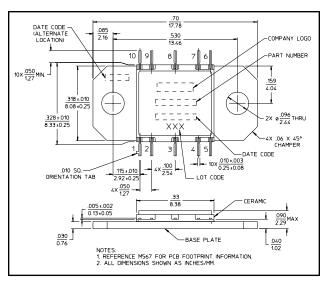
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Lead-Free CR-15[†]



[†] Reference Application Note M538 for lead-free solder reflow recommendations.

Meets JEDEC moisture sensitivity level 1 requirements.

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.

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