DATA SHEET

SKY65045-70LF: 390 to 1500 MHz Low-Noise Power Amplifier Driver

Applications

- UHF television
- TETRA radio
- GSM, AMPS, PCS, DCS, 2.5G, 3G
- ISM band transmitters
- Fixed WCS
- 802.16 WiMAX
- 3GPP Long Term Evolution

Features

- Wideband frequency range: 390 to 1500 MHz
- Low Noise Figure: 1.8 dB
- High linearity OIP3: +37.5 dBm
- OP1dB = +25 dBm
- High gain: 14 dB
- Single DC supply: +5 V
- On-chip bias circuit
- SOT-89 (4-pin 2.4 x 4.5 mm) Pb-free package (MSL1, 260 °C per JEDEC J-STD-0-20)

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Description

Skyworks SKY65045-70LF is a high performance, ultra-wideband Power Amplifier (PA) driver with superior output power, low noise, linearity, and efficiency. The device provides a 1.6 dB Noise Figure (NF) and an output power at 1 dB compression of +25 dBm, making the SKY65045-70LF ideal for use in the driver stage of infrastucture transmit chains.

The SKY65045-70LF is fabricated with Skyworks high reliability Heterojunction Bipolar Transistor (HBT) process. The device uses low-cost Surface-Mount Technology (SMT) in the form of a 2.4 x 4.5 mm Small Outline Transistor (SOT-89) package. The module can operate over a temperature range of -40 °C to +85 °C. A populated Evaluation Board is available upon request.

The device package and pinout are shown in Figure 1. A functional block diagram is provided in Figure 2.

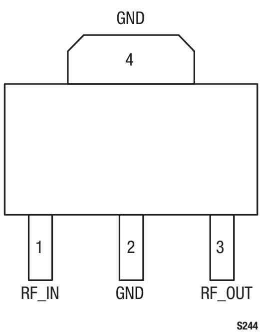

Figure 1. SKY65045-70LF Pinout Package (Top View)

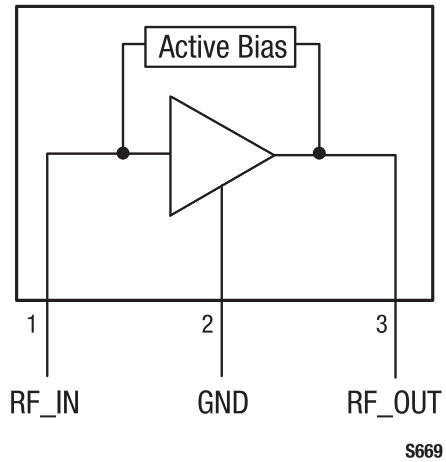

Figure 2. SKY65045-70LF Block Diagram

Technical Description

The SKY65045-70LF is a single stage, low noise PA in a low-cost surface mount package. The device operates with a single +5 V power supply connected though an RF choke (L1) to the output pin. Capacitors C7, C8, and C9 provide DC bias decoupling for VCC.

The bias current is set by the on-chip active bias composed of current mirror and reference voltage transistors, allowing for excellent gain tracking over temperature and voltage variations. The part is externally RF matched using surface mount components to facilitate operation over a frequency range of 390 MHz to 1500 MHz.

Pin 1 is the RF input and pin 3 is the RF output. External DC blocking is required for both input and output, but can be implemented as part of the RF matching circuit. Pin 2 and the package backside metal, pin 4, provide the DC and RF ground.

Electrical and Mechanical Specifications

Signal pin assignments and functional pin descriptions for the SKY65045-70LF are provided in Table 1. The absolute maximum ratings are provided in Table 2, and the recommended operating conditions in Table 3. Electrical characteristics for the SKY65045-70LF are provided in Table 4.

Typical performance characteristics of the SKY65045-70LF are illustrated in Figures 3 through 61 and in Tables 5 through 10. The board layout footprint for the SKY65045-70LF is shown in Figure 66. Package dimensions are shown in Figure 67, and tape and reel dimensions are shown in Figure 68.

Package and Handling Information

Instructions on the shipping container label regarding exposure to moisture after the container seal is broken must be followed. Otherwise, problems related to moisture absorption may occur when the part is subjected to high temperature during solder assembly.

The SKY65045-70LF is rated to Moisture Sensitivity Level 1 (MSL1) at 260 °C. It can be used for lead or lead-free soldering. For additional information, refer to the Skyworks Application Note, *Solder Reflow Information*, document number 200164.

Care must be taken when attaching this product, whether it is done manually or in a production solder reflow environment. Production quantities of this product are shipped in a standard tape and reel format.

Table 1. SKY65045 Signal Descriptions

Pin	Name	Description
1	RF_IN	RF input
2	GND	Ground
3	RF_OUT	RF output
4	GND	Ground

Table 2. SKY65045 Absolute Maximum Ratings[1]
(T_A = +25 °C, Unless Otherwise Noted)

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Typical	Max	Units
RF output power	P_{OUT}		+27		dBm
Supply voltage	VCC		6		V
Supply current	I_{CC}		215		mA
Power dissipation	P_D		1.3		W
Operating case temperature	T_C	-40		+85	°C
Storage temperature	T_{ST}	-55		+125	°C
Junction temperature	T_J			150	°C

1 Exposure to maximum rating conditions for extended periods may reduce device reliability. There is no damage to device with only one parameter set at the limit and all other parameters set at or below their nominal values.

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

Table 3. SKY65045 Recommended Operating Conditions

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Typical	Max	Units
Supply voltage	VCC		5	5.5	V
Frequency range	f	390		1500	MHz
Operating case temperature	T_C	-40	+25	+85	°C

Table 4. SKY65045 Electrical Characteristics (Note 1)
(VCC = 5.0 V, Output Impedance = 50 Ω, T_C = 25 °C, Unless Otherwise Noted)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typical	Max	Units
Test Frequency = 747 MHz						
Frequency	f		697	747	797	MHz
Small signal gain	G	P_{IN} = -15 dBm		15		dB
Input return loss	S11	P_{IN} = -15 dBm		9		dB
Output return loss	S22	P_{IN} = -15 dBm		8		dB
Reverse transmission loss	S12	P_{IN} = -15 dBm		23		dB
Output power @ 1 dB compression	P_{1DB}	CW		+24		dBm
Operating current	I_{CC}	P_{OUT} = +17 dBm		70		mA
Operating current	I_{CC_P1DB}	@ P1dB		132		mA
Power-added efficiency	PAE	@ P1dB		35		%
Input 3rd Order Intercept Point	IIP3	P_{IN}/tone = -10 dBm, ΔF = 1 MHz		+29		dBm
Output 3rd Order Intercept Point	OIP3	P_{OUT}/tone = +8 dBm, ΔF = 1 MHz		+44		dBm
Noise Figure	NF	Small signal		1.9		dB
Quiescent current	I_{CCQ}	No RF		47		mA
Test Frequency = 897.5 MHz						
Frequency	f		880.0	897.5	915.0	MHz
Small signal gain	G	P_{IN} = -15 dBm	13	14	16	dB
Input return loss	S11	P_{IN} = -15 dBm		12.2	10.0	dB
Output return loss	S22	P_{IN} = -15 dBm		19.5	10.0	dB
Reverse transmission loss	S12	P_{IN} = -15 dBm		21	15	dB
Output power @ 1 dB compression	P_{1DB}	CW	+22.5	+25.0		dBm
Operating current	I_{CC}	P_{OUT} = +17 dBm		61	90	mA
Operating current	I_{CC_P1DB}	@ P1dB		133	180	mA
Power-added efficiency	PAE	@ P1dB		45		%
Output 3rd Order Intercept Point	OIP3	P_{OUT}/tone = +17 dBm, ΔF = 1 MHz	+36.0	+37.5		dBm
Noise Figure	NF	Small signal		1.8	2.4	dB
Quiescent current	I_Q	No RF		46	60	mA

Note 1: Performance is guaranteed only under the conditions listed in this Table.

Typical Performance Data

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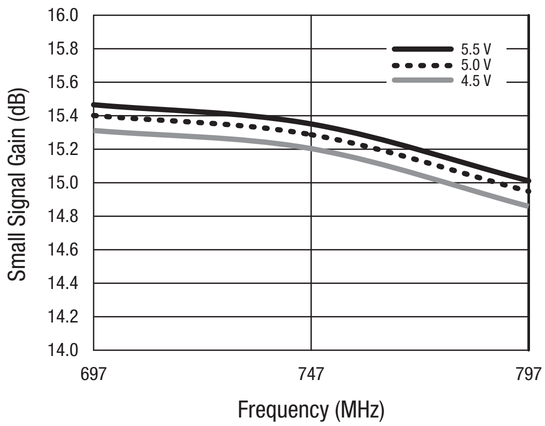


Figure 3. Small Signal Gain vs Frequency Over VCC

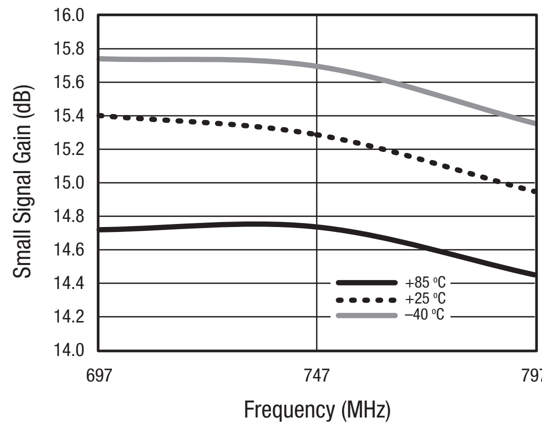
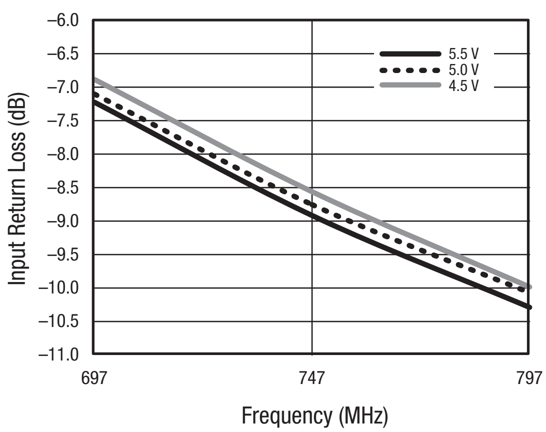


Figure 4. Small Signal Gain vs Frequency Over Temperature



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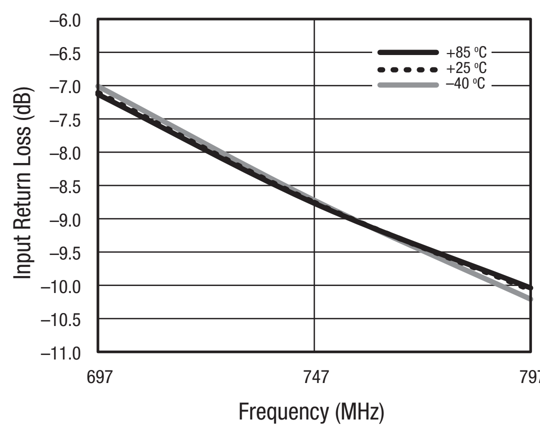

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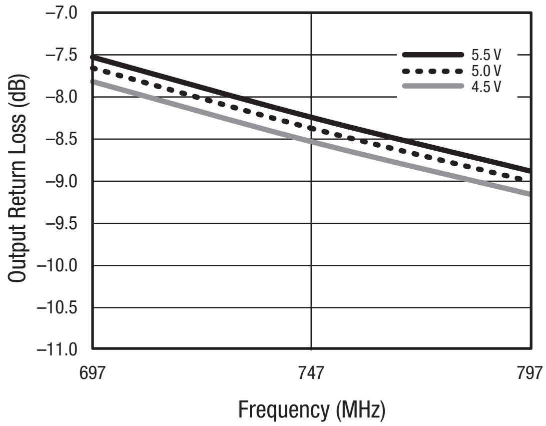

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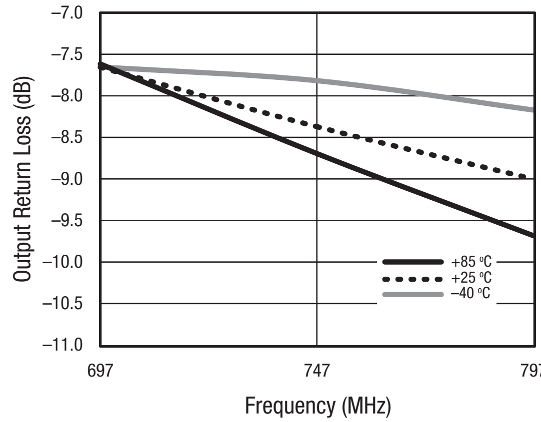

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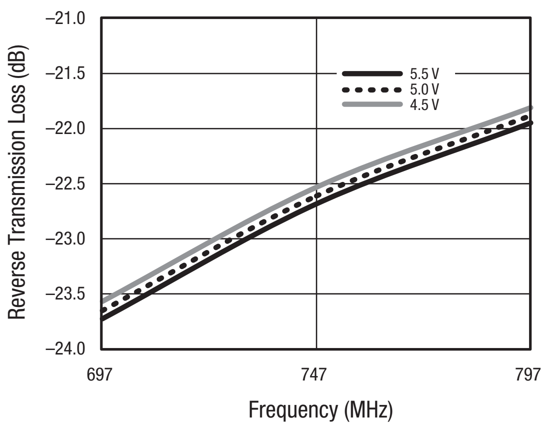

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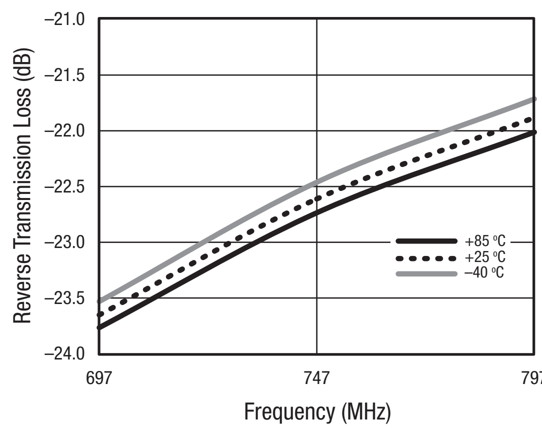

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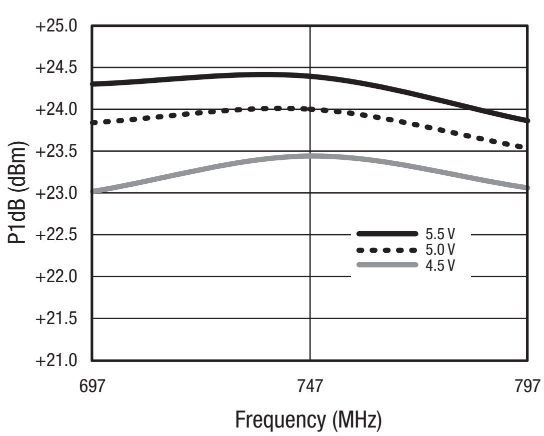

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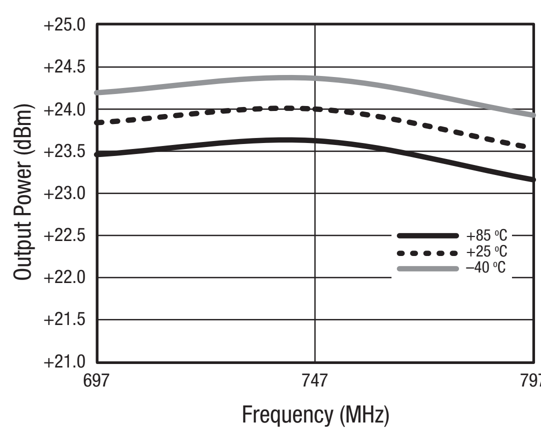

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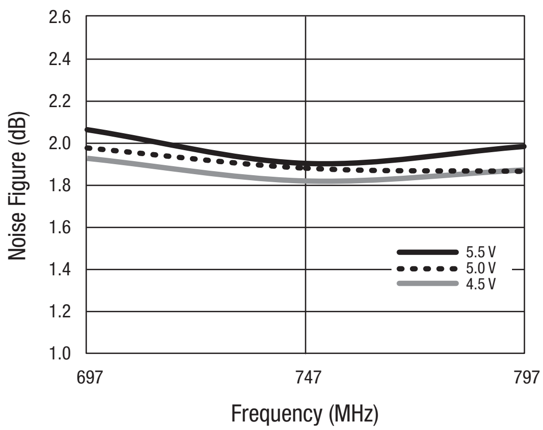

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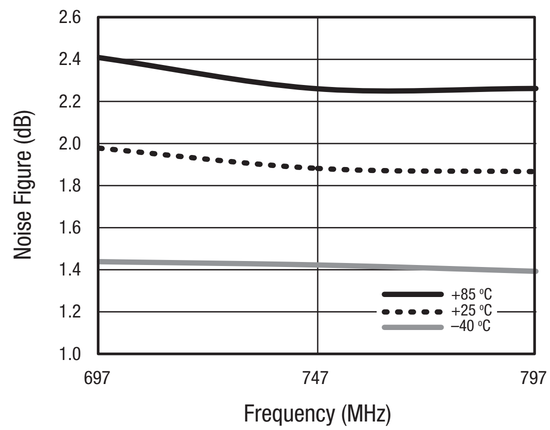

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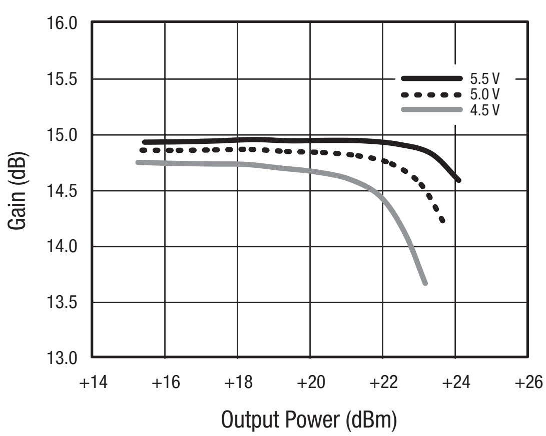
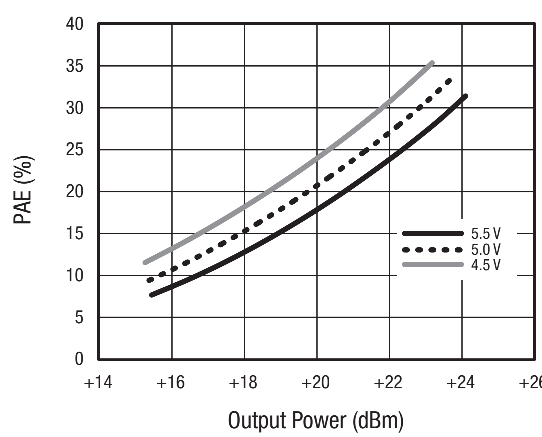


Figure 15. Gain vs Output Power Over VCC



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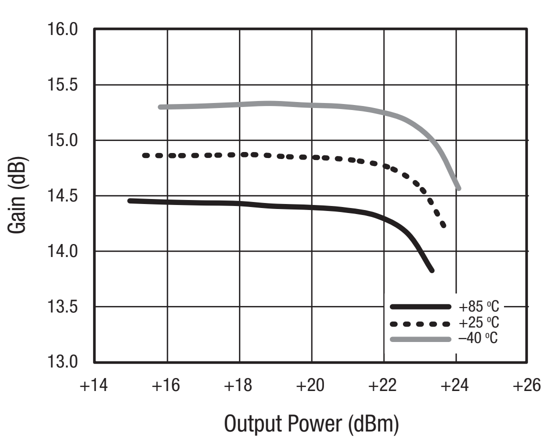

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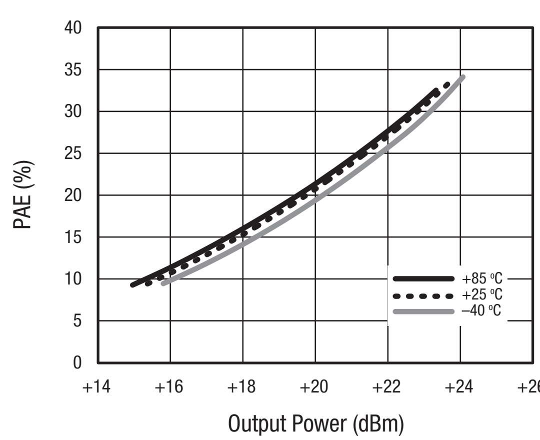

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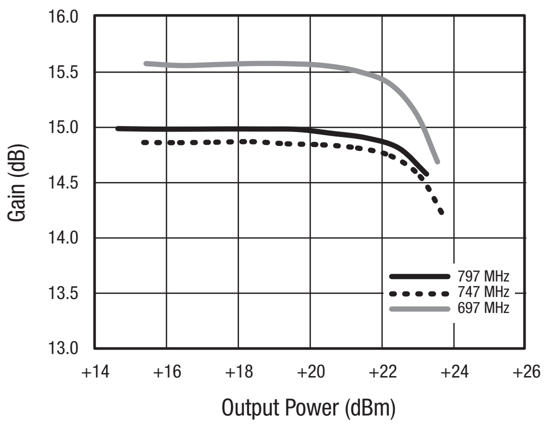

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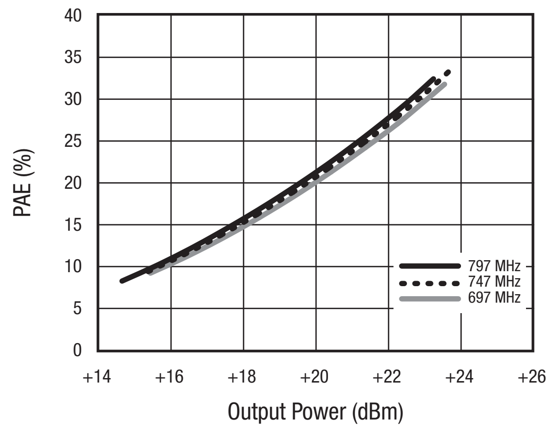

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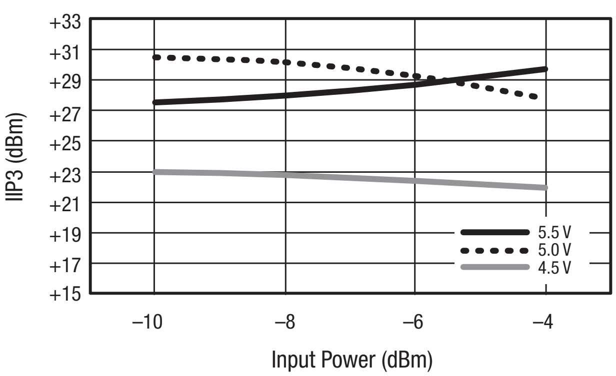

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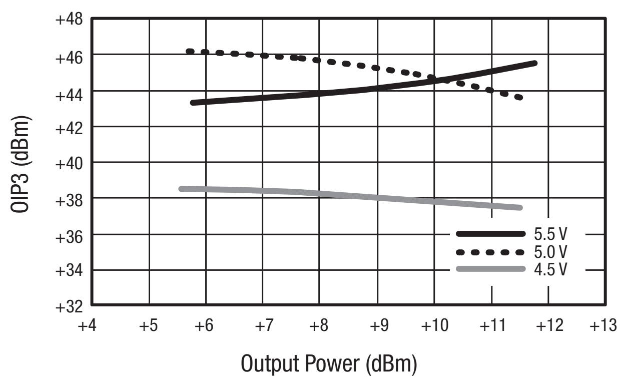

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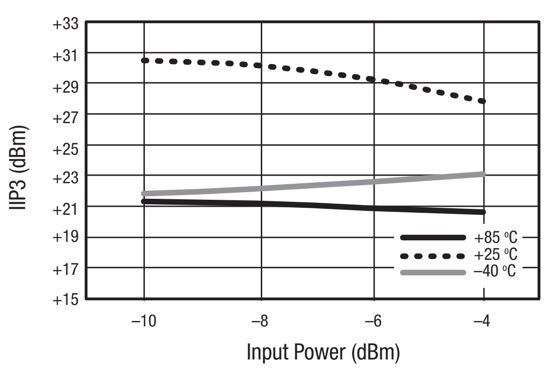

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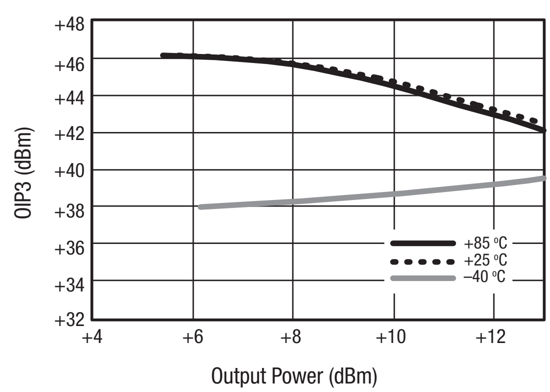

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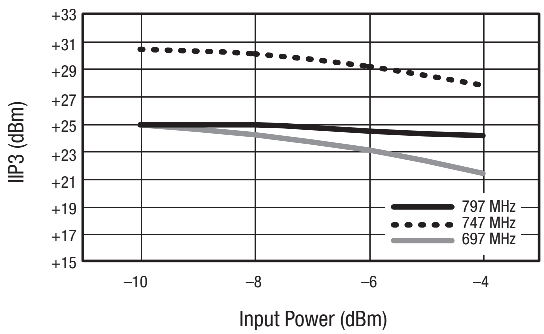

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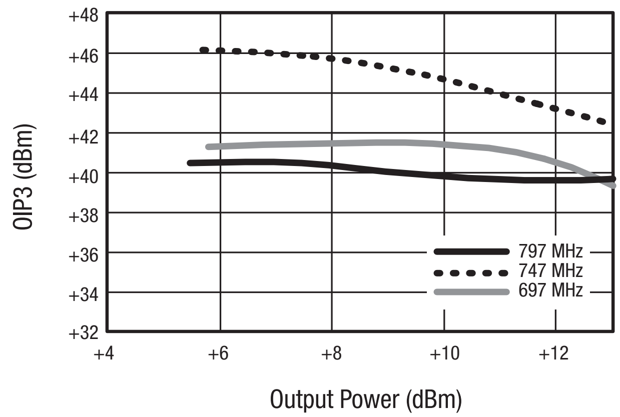

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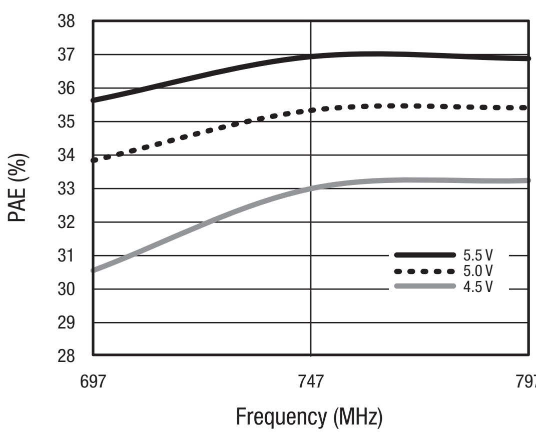

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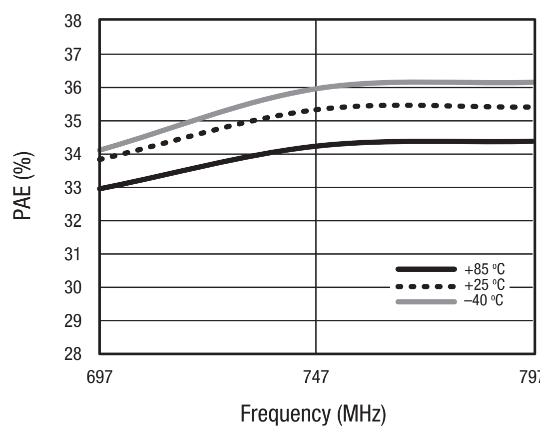

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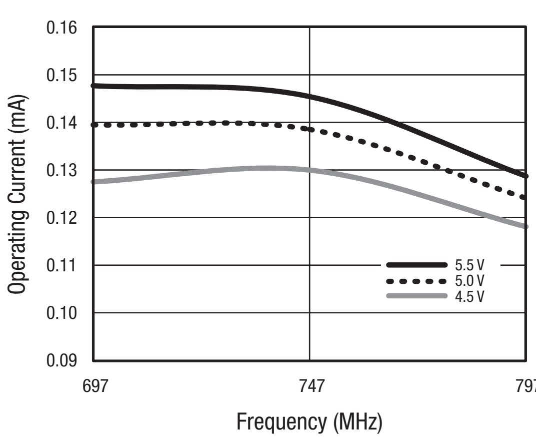

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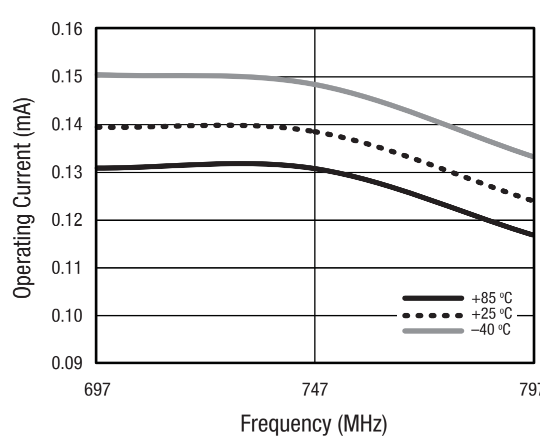

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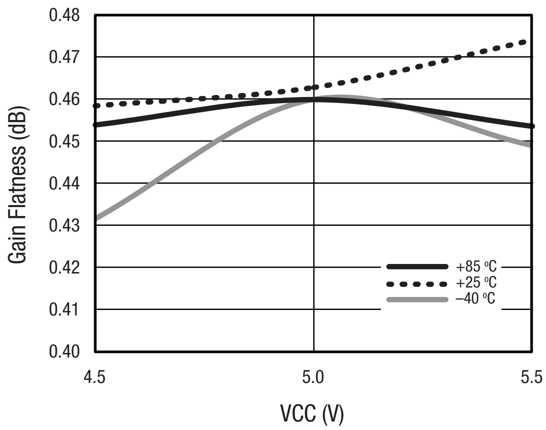

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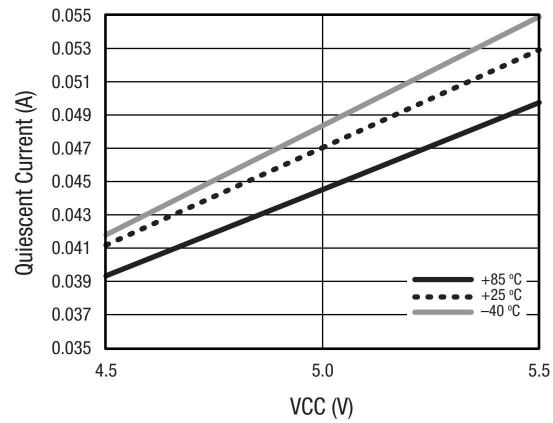

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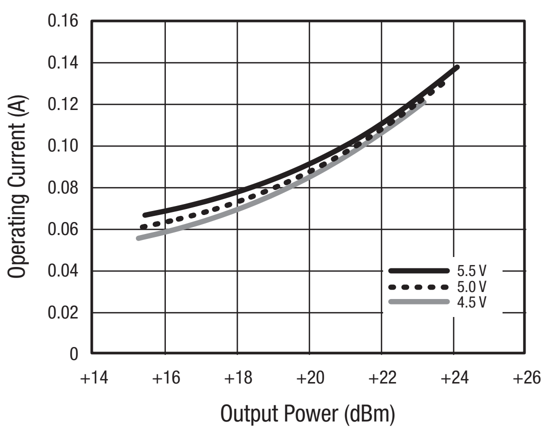

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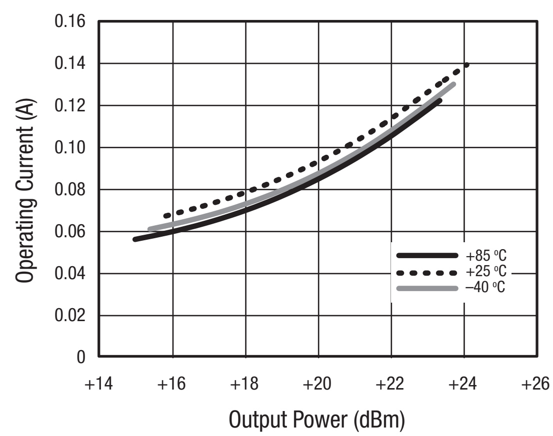

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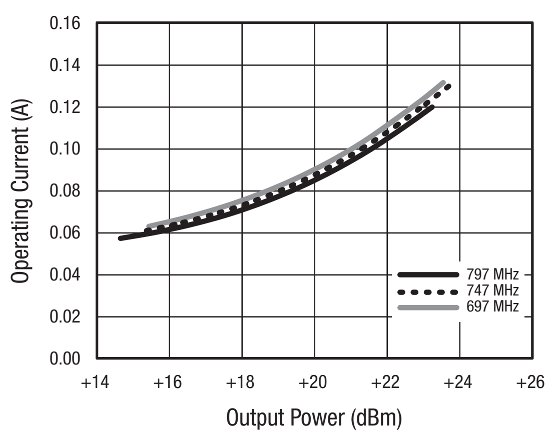

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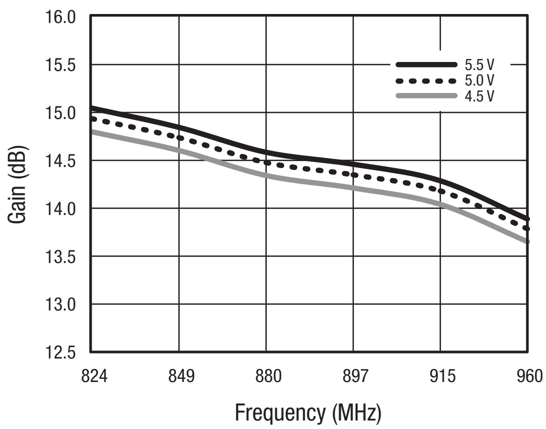

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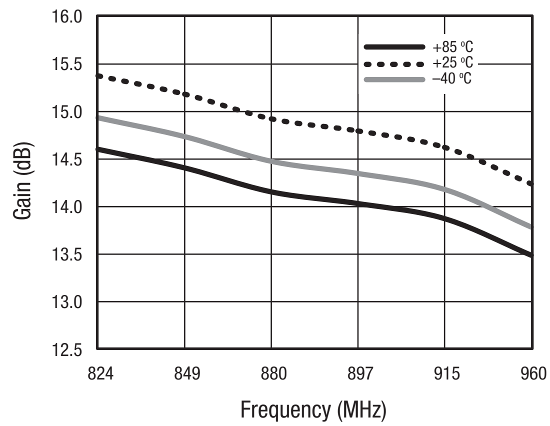

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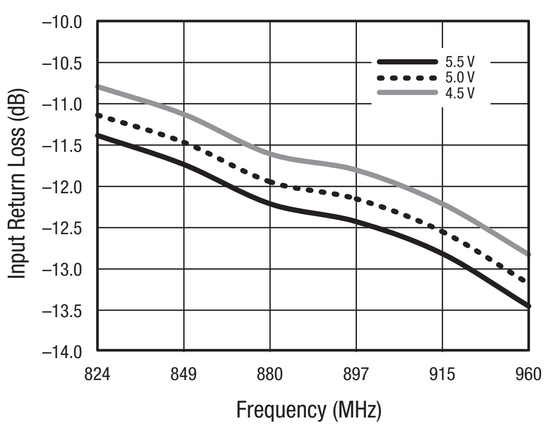

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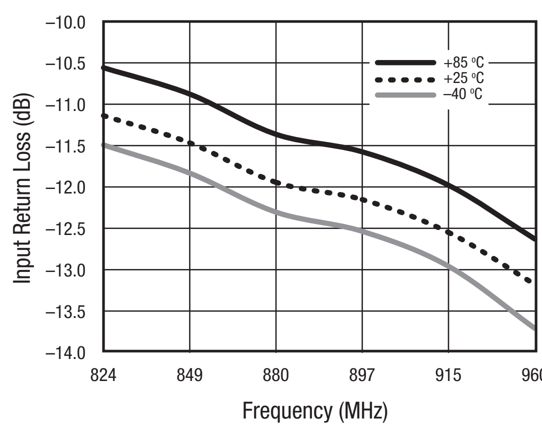

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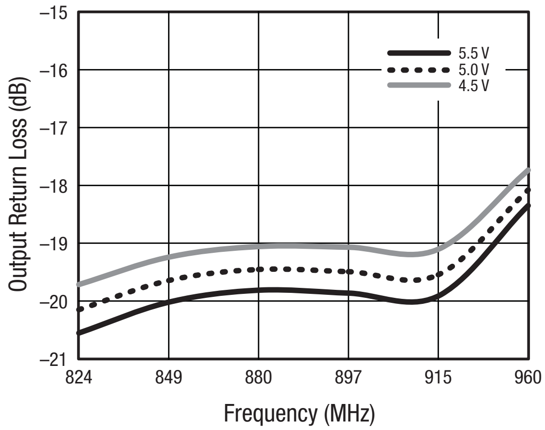

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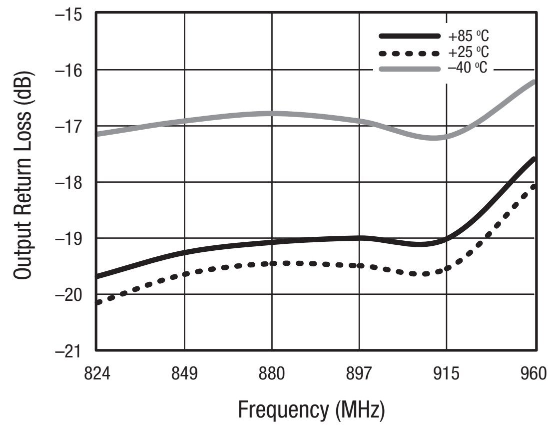

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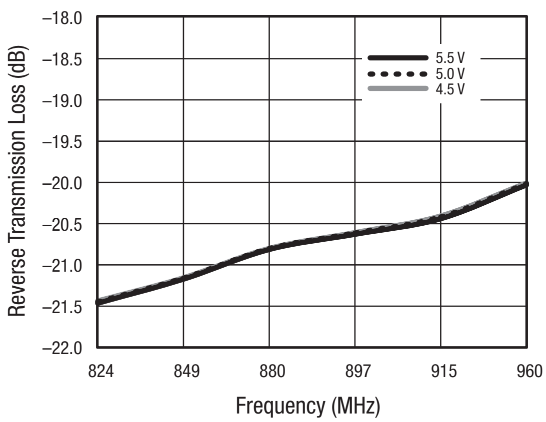

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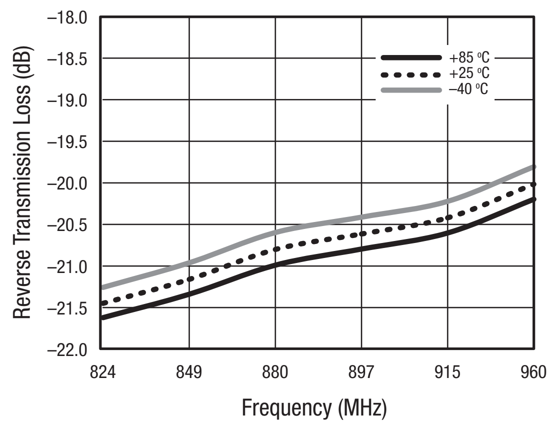

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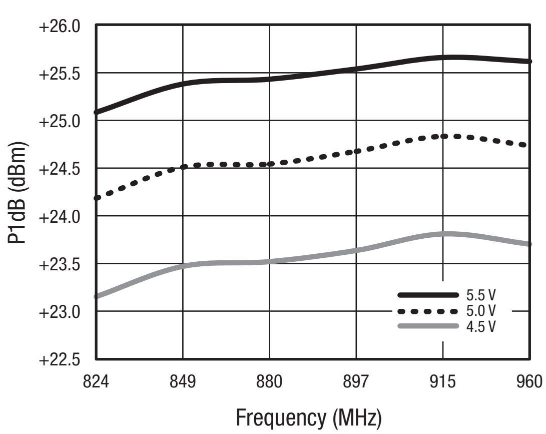

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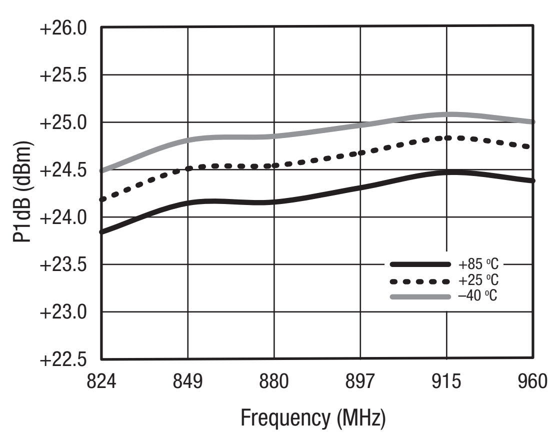

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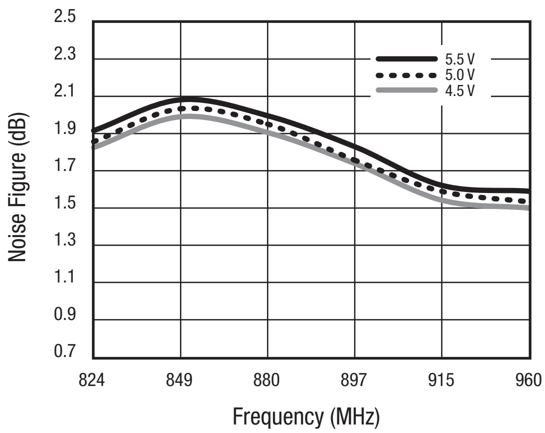

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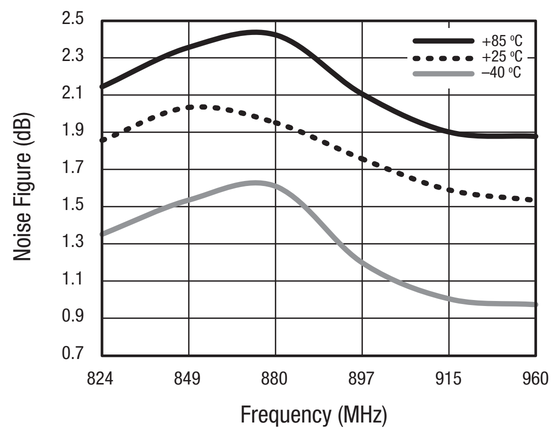

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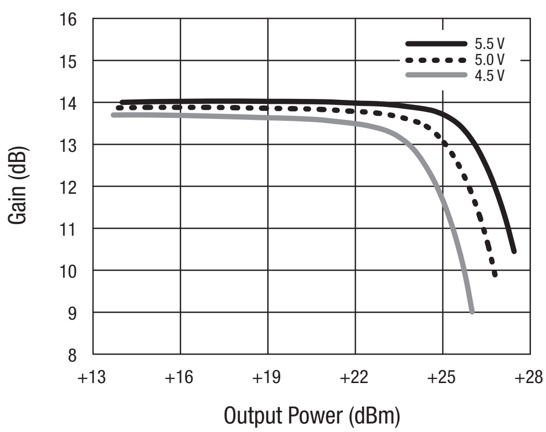

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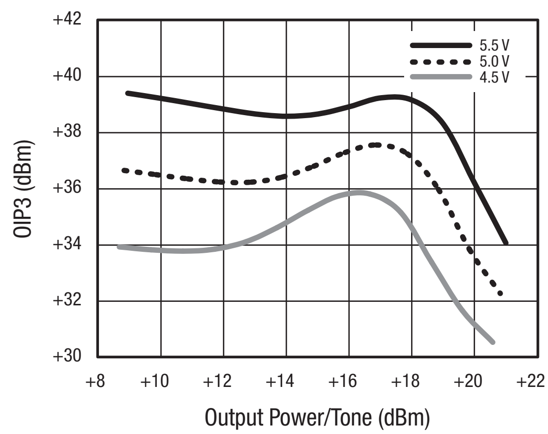

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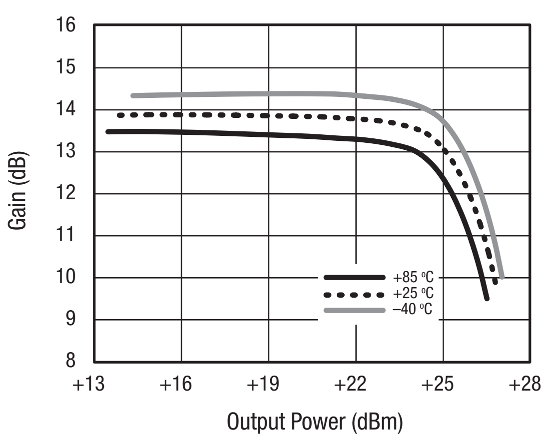
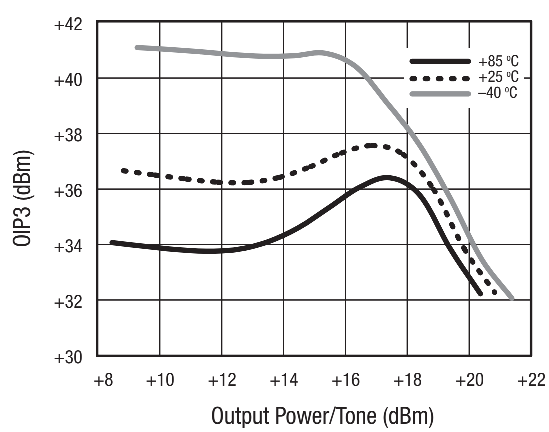


Figure 50. Gain vs Output Power Over Temperature



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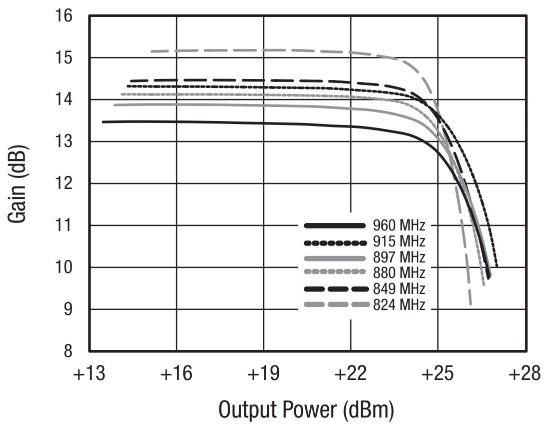

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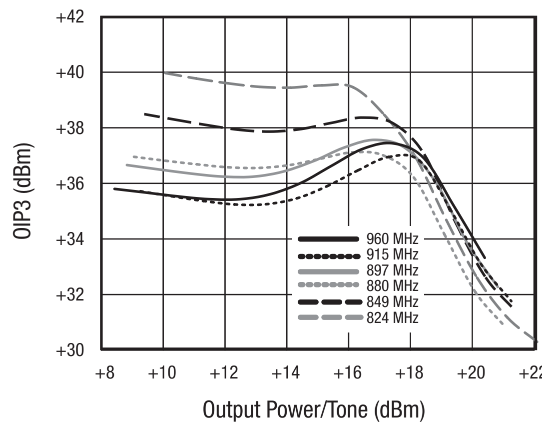

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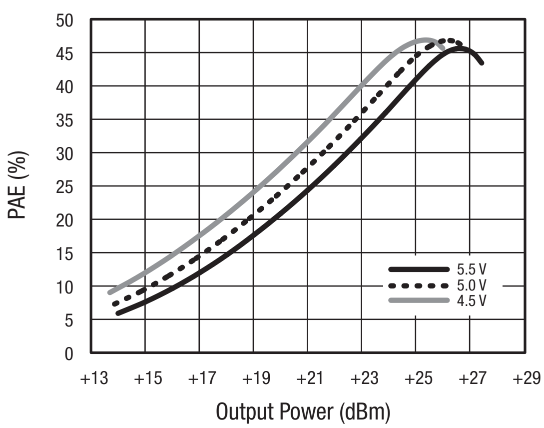

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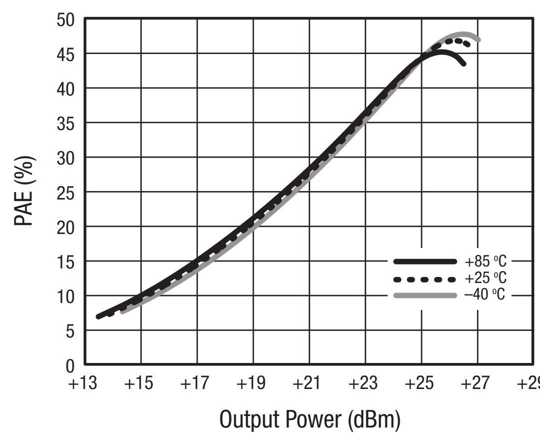

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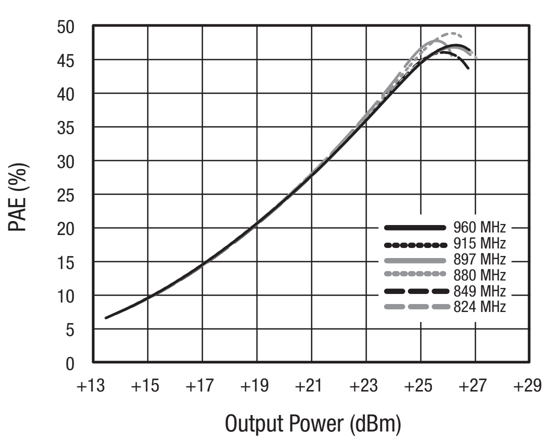

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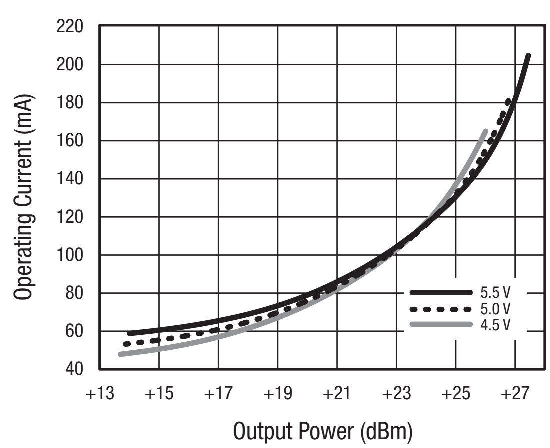
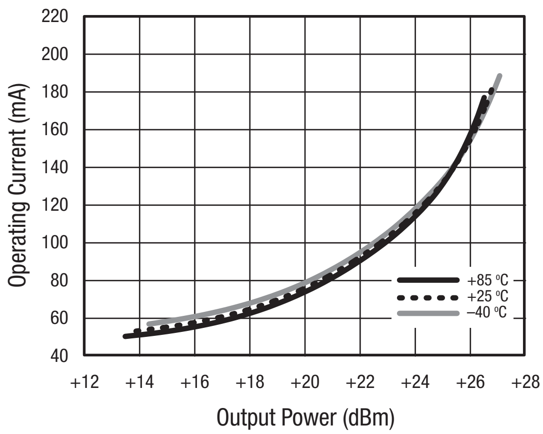


Figure 57. Operating Current vs Output Power Over VCC



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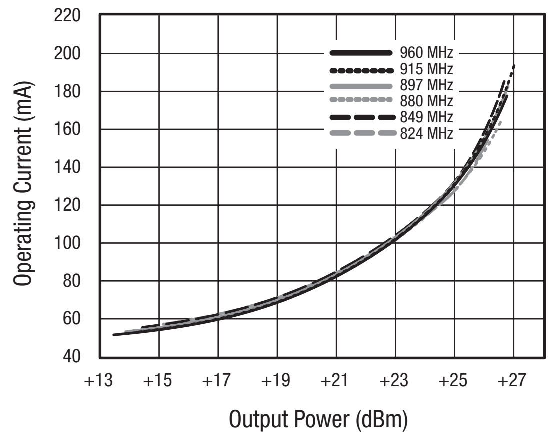

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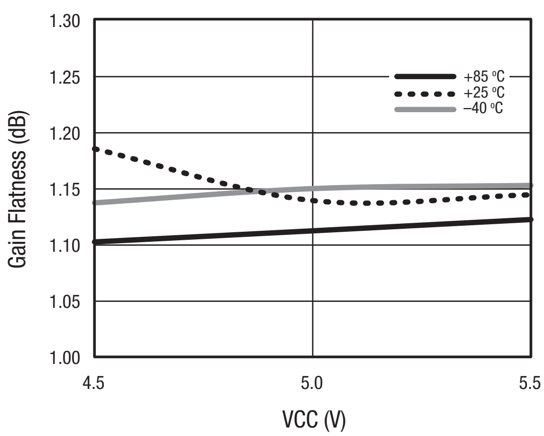

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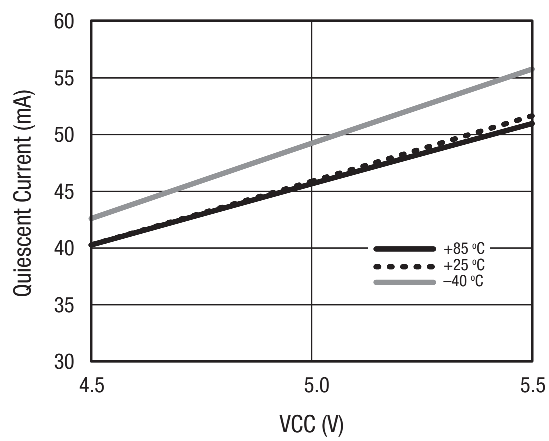


Figure 61. Quiescent Current vs VCC Over Temperature

Table 5. PAE Performance @ P1dB vs Output Power Over VCC

VCC (V)	PAE @ P1dB (%)	POUT (dBm)
4.5	43.9	+23.9
5.0	44.8	+25.1
5.5	45.0	+26.1

Table 6. PAE Performance @ P1dB vs Output Power Over Temperature

Temperature (°C)	PAE @ P1dB (%)	POUT (dBm)
-40	45.8	+25.38
+25	44.5	+25.04
+85	43.3	+24.65

Table 7. PAE Performance @ P1dB vs Output Power Over Frequency

Frequency (MHz)	PAE @ P1dB (%)	POUT (dBm)
824	46.3	+24.92
849	45.5	+25.24
880	46.5	+25.13
897	44.7	+25.04
915	45.8	+25.35
960	45.8	+25.38

Table 8. Supply Current Performance @ P1dB vs Output Power Over VCC

VCC (V)	Operating Current (mA)	POUT (dBm)
4.5	117	+23.9
5.0	133	+25.1
5.5	152	+26.1

Table 9. Supply Current Performance @ P1dB vs Output Power Over Temperature

Temperature (°C)	Operating Current (mA)	POUT (dBm)
-40	142	+25.42
+25	133	+25.05
+85	125	+24.65

Table 10. Supply Current Performance @ P1dB vs Output Power Over Frequency

Frequency (MHz)	Operating Current (mA)	POUT (dBm)
824	126	+24.92
849	137	+25.26
880	130	+25.14
897	133	+25.06
915	139	+25.34
960	138	+25.38

Evaluation Board Description

The Skyworks SKY65045 Evaluation Board is used to test the performance of the SKY65045-70LF PA driver. The Evaluation Board schematic diagram is shown in Figure 62. An assembly drawing for the Evaluation Board is shown in Figure 63 and the layer detail is provided in Figure 64. The layer detail physical characteristics are noted in Figure 65. Tables 11 and 12 (747 MHz and 897.5 MHz, respectively) provide the Bill of Materials (BOM) list for Evaluation Board components.

Circuit Design Configurations

The following design considerations are general in nature and must be followed regardless of final use or configuration:

1. Paths to ground should be made as short as possible.
2. The ground pad of the SKY65045-70LF has special electrical and thermal grounding requirements. This pad is the main thermal conduit for heat dissipation. Since the circuit board acts as the heat sink, it must shunt as much heat as possible from the device. Therefore, design the connection to the ground pad to dissipate the maximum wattage produced by the circuit board. Multiple vias to the grounding layer are required.

3. Skyworks recommends including external bypass capacitors on the DC supply lines. An RF inductor is required on the VCC supply line to block RF signals from the DC supply. Refer to Figure 62 for more detail.
4. The RF lines should be well separated from each other with solid ground in between traces to maximize input-to-output isolation.

NOTE: *Junction temperature (T_J) of the device increases with a poor connection to the slug and ground. This reduces the lifetime of the device.*

Application Circuit Notes

RF_IN (pin 1): The amplifier requires a DC blocking capacitor as part of the external RF matching.

GND (pin 2): Attach the ground pin to the RF ground plane with the largest diameter and lowest inductance via that the layout allows. Multiple small vias are also acceptable and will work well under the device if solder migration is an issue.

RF_OUT (pin 3): The amplifier requires a DC blocking capacitor as part of the external RF matching. The amplifier collector supply voltage is supplied through an RF choke to the output at pin 3.

GND (pin 4): It is extremely important that the device paddle be sufficiently grounded for both thermal and stability reasons. Multiple small vias are acceptable and will work well under the device if solder migration is an issue.

Testing Procedure

Use the following procedure to set up the SKY65045 Evaluation Board for testing:

1. Connect a 5 V supply to VCC. If available, enable the current limiting function of the power supply to 100 mA.
2. Connect a signal generator to the RF signal input port. Set it to the desired RF frequency at a power level of -15 dBm or less to the Evaluation Board but do NOT enable the RF signal.
3. Connect a spectrum analyzer to the RF signal output port.
4. Enable the power supply.
5. Enable the RF signal.
6. Take measurements.

CAUTION*:* *If any of the output signals exceed the rated maximum values, the SKY65045 Evaluation Board can be permanently damaged.*

NOTE: *It is important to adjust the VCC voltage source so that +5 V is measured at the board. The high collector currents drop the collector voltage significantly if long leads are used. Adjust the bias voltage to compensate.*

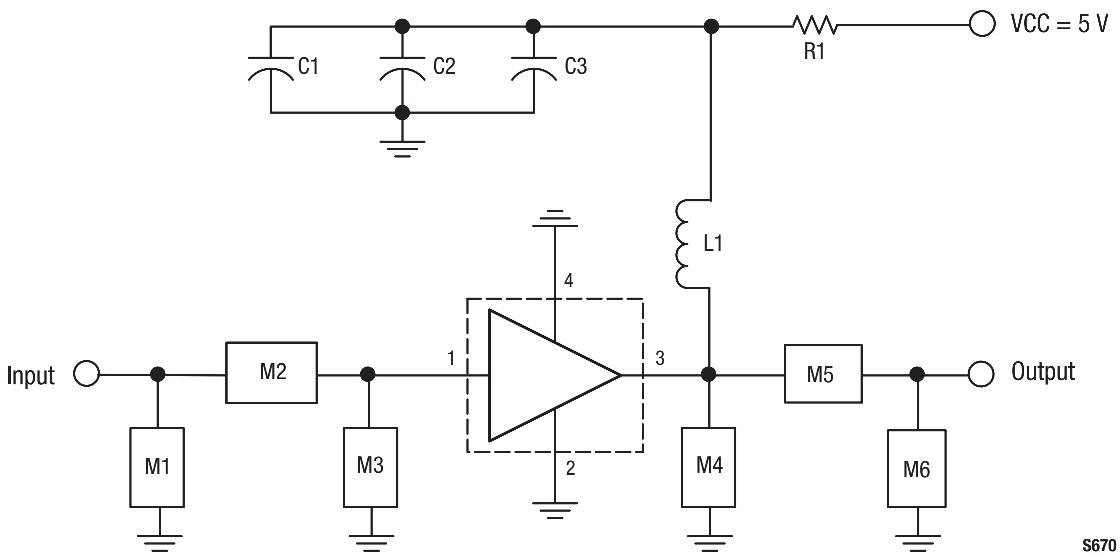


Figure 62. SKY65045 Evaluation Board Assembly Drawing (Refer to Tables 11 and 12 for Component Values)

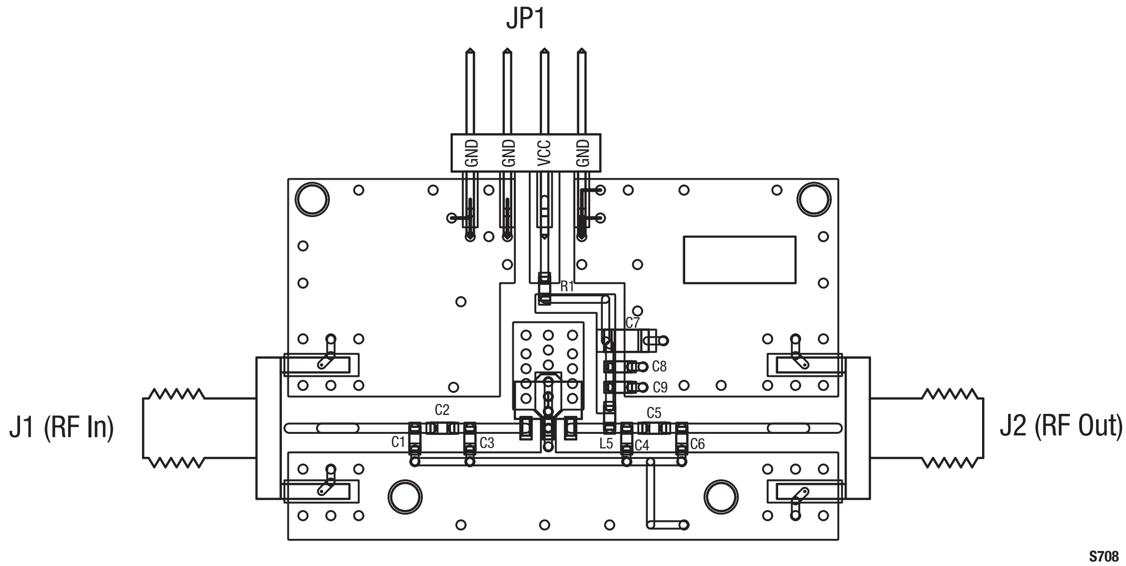
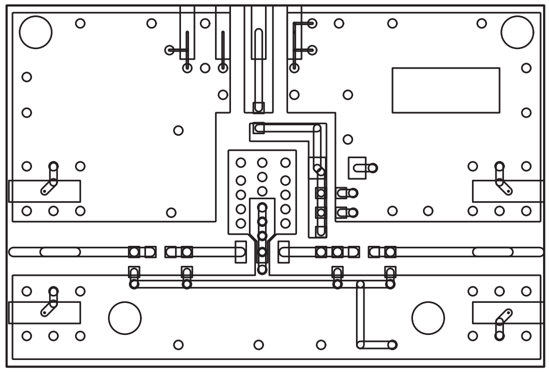
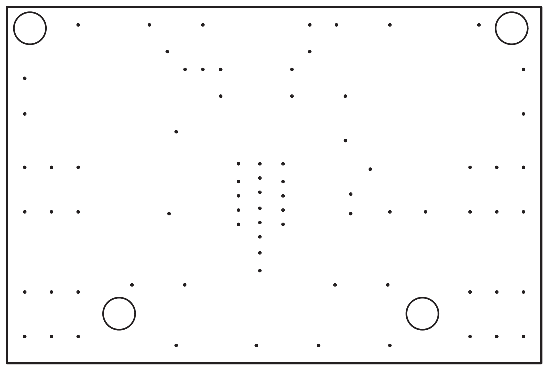


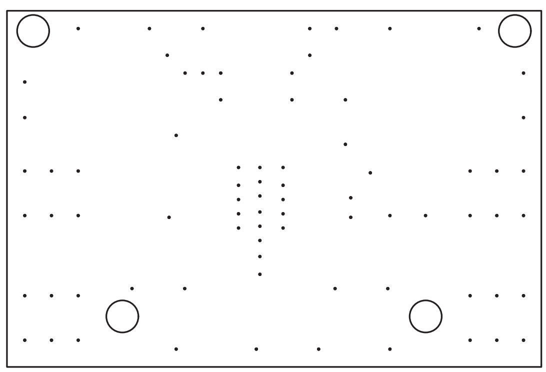
Figure 63. SKY65045 Evaluation Board Assembly Drawing



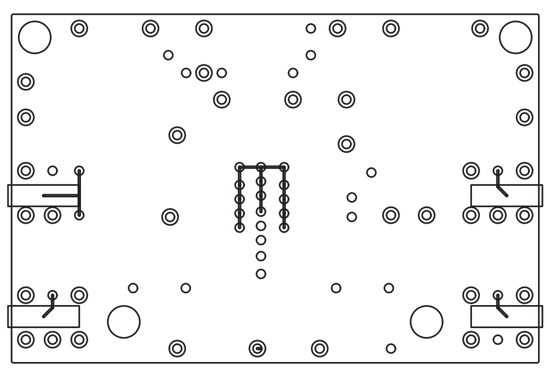
Layer 1: Top - Metal



Layer 2: Ground



Layer 3: Ground



Layer 4: Solid Ground Plane

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Figure 64. Evaluation Board Layer Detail

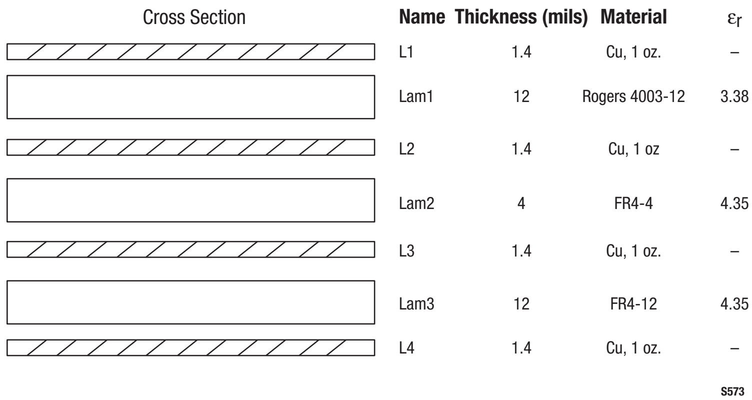


Figure 65. Layer Detail Physical Characteristics

Table 11. SKY65045 Evaluation Board Bill of Materials (747 MHz)

Component	Quantity	Value	Size	Product Number	Manufacturer	Manufacturer's Part Number	Characteristics
R1	1	0 Ω	0603	5424R20-146	Rohm	MCR03EZHJ000	50 V, 0.063 Ω, ±5%
C7	1	10 µF	0805	5404R29-076	Murata	GRM21BR60J106K	X5R, 50 V, ±20%
C8	1	12 pF	0603	5404R23-014	Murata	GRM1885C1H120JD51D	C0G, 50 V, ±5%
C9	-	DNI	-	-	-	-	-
L5	1	3.3 nH	0603	5332R34-005	Taiyo-Yuden	HK16083N3S-T	±0.3 nH, SRF 6000 MHz
M1	1	10 nH	0603	5332R34-020	Taiyo-Yuden	HK160810NJ-T	±5%, SRF 3400 MHz
M2	1	4.7 pF	0603	5404R98-006	Murata	GRM1885C1H4R7CZ01D	C0G, 50 V, ± 0.25 pF
M3	-	DNI	-	-	-	-	-
M4	-	DNI	-	-	-	-	-
M5	1	4.3 pF	0603	5404R71-022	Murata	-	C0G, 50 V, ±0.25 pF
M6	1	6.8 nH	0603	5332R34-020	Taiyo-Yuden	-	±5%, SRF 3400 MHz

Table 12. SKY65045 Evaluation Board Bill of Materials (897.5 MHz)

Component	Quantity	Value	Size	Product Number	Manufacturer	Manufacturer's Part Number	Characteristics
R1	1	0 Ω	0603	5424R20-146	Rohm	MCR03EZHJ000	50 V, 0.063 Ω, ±5%
C7	1	1 µF	0805	5404R29-070	TDK	C2012X7R1H104K	X7R, 50 V, ±10%
C8	1	1000 pF	0603	5404R23-057	TDK	C1608COG1H102JT	COG, 50 V, ±5%
C9	-	DNI	-	-	-	-	-
L5	1	39 nH	0603	5332R34-034	Taiyo-Yuden	HK160839NJ-T	±5%, SRF 1100 MHz
M1	1	DNI	-	-	-	-	-
M2	1	10 pF	0603	5404R23-013	Murata	GRM39COG100JO50AD	C0G, 50 V, ± 5%
M3	1	2.2 pF	0603	5404R23-039	Murata	GRM1885C1H2R2CZ01D	COG, 50 V, ± 0.25 pF
M4	-	DNI	-	-	-	-	-
M5	1	15 pF	0603	5404R23-015	Murata	GRM1885C1H150JD51D	C0G, 50 V, ±5%
M6	-	DNI	-	-	-	-	-

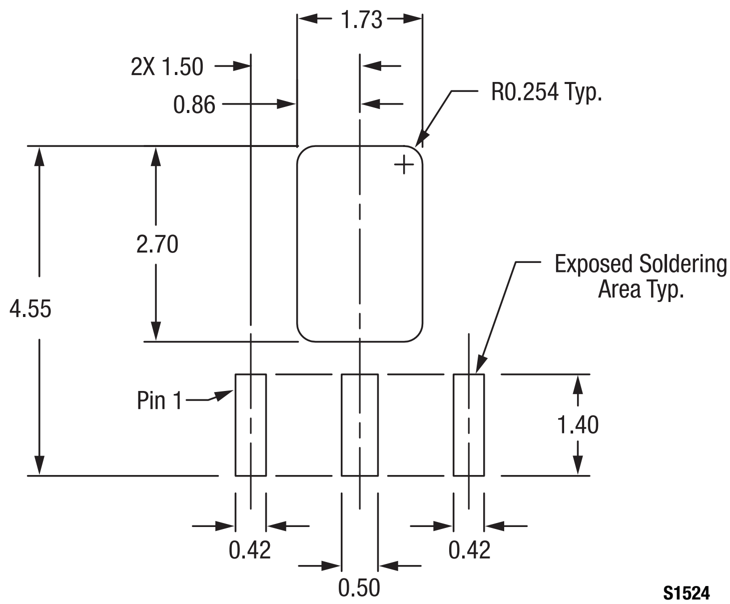


Figure 66. SKY65045-70LF Board Layout Footprint

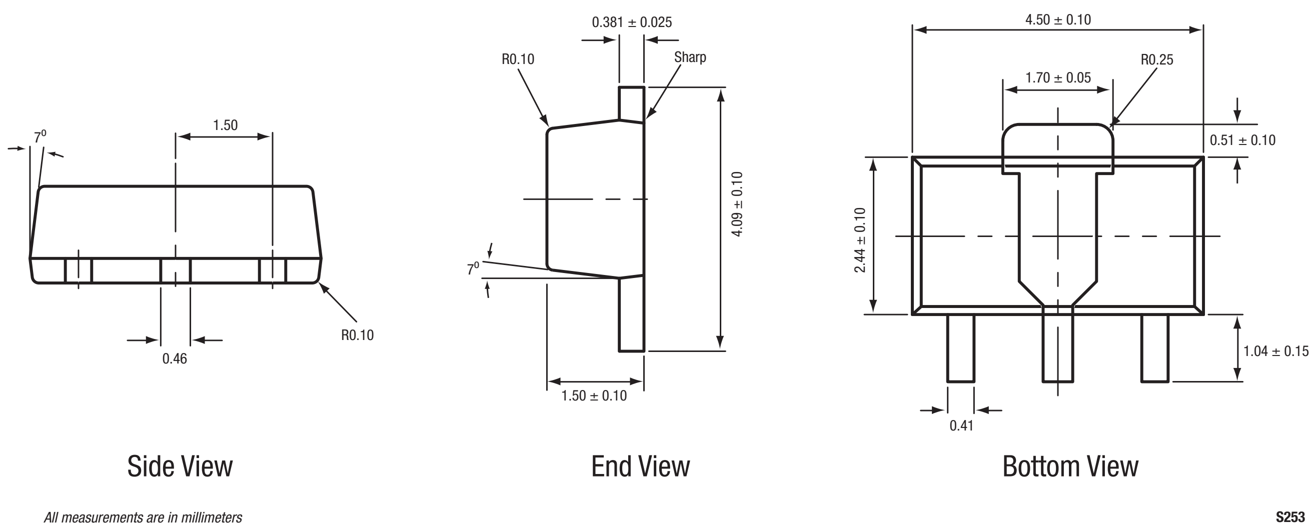
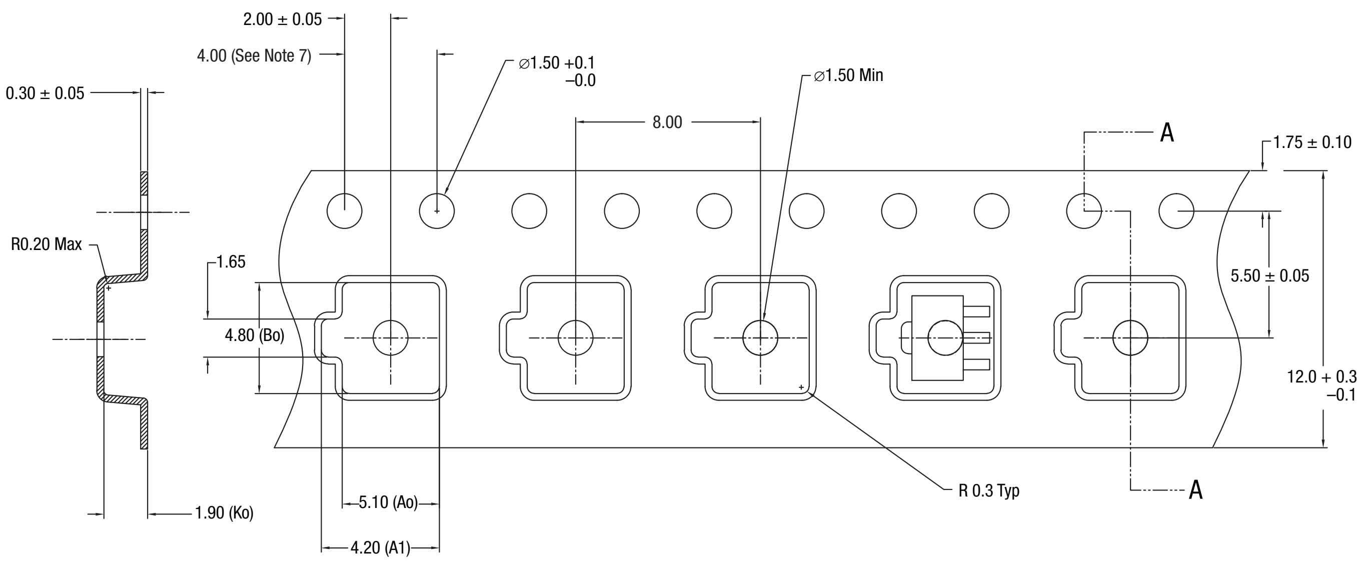


Figure 67. SKY65045 SOT-89 Package Dimensions



Notes:

1. *Carrier tapes must meet all requirements of Skyworks GP01-D233 procurement spec for tape and reel shipping.*
2. *Carrier tape material: black conductive polycarbonate or polystyrene.*
3. *Cover tape material: transparent conductive PSA.*
   Cover tape size: 9.2 mm width.
4. *Typical ESD surface resistivity must meet all ESD requirements of Skyworks specified in GP01-D233.*
5. *Ao and Bo measurement point to be 0.30 mm from bottom pocket.*
6. *All measurements are in millimeters.*
7. *10-sprocket hole pitch cumulative tolerance 0.2 mm.*

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Figure 68. SKY65045 SOT-89 Tape and Reel Dimensions

Ordering Information

Model Name	Ordering Part Number	Evaluation Board Part Number
SKY65045-70LF: 390 to 1500 MHz Low-Noise PA Driver	SKY65045-70LF	SKY65045-70EK1 (747 MHz) SKY65045-70EK2 (897.5 MHz)