

# DC to 28 GHz, GaAs, pHEMT, 2 W Power Amplifier

#### **FEATURES**

- Wideband, internally-matched, RF power amplifier
- DC-coupled input and output
- Integrated RF power detector
- Integrated temperature sensor
- ▶ Gain: 12.5 dB typical at 2 GHz to 16 GHz
- ▶ OP1dB: 33 dBm typical at 2 GHz to 16 GHz
- ▶ P<sub>SAT</sub>: 34 dBm typical at 2 GHz to 16 GHz
- ▶ OIP3: 45 dBm typical at 2 GHz to 16 GHz
- ▶ 32-Lead, 5.00 mm × 5.00 mm, LFCSP CAV package

#### **APPLICATIONS**

- ▶ Electronic warfare
- Radar
- Test and measurement equipment

## **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The ADPA9007 is a 2 W, RF power amplifier that operates from DC to 28 GHz. The RF input and output are internally-matched and DC-coupled. The ADPA9007 includes an integrated temperature-compensated RF power detector and an integrated temperature sensor.

The ADPA9007 amplifier provides a gain of 12.5 dB, an output power for 1 dB compression (OP1dB) of 33 dBm, and an output third-order intercept (OIP3) of 45 dBm from 2 GHz to 16 GHz. The amplifier operates from a typical supply voltage of 15 V and has a 500 mA typical guiescent bias current, which is adjustable.

The ADPA9007 is fabricated on a gallium arsenide (GaAs), pseudomorphic high electron mobility transistor (pHEMT) process. The amplifier is housed in an RoHS-compliant, 32-Lead, 5 mm × 5 mm, lead frame chip scale package, premolded cavity [LFCSP\_CAV] and is specified for operation from  $-40^{\circ}$ C to  $+85^{\circ}$ C.

## FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



Figure 1. Functional Block Diagram

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# **SPECIFICATIONS**

# 0.05 GHZ TO 2 GHZ FREQUENCY RANGE

 $T_{CASE}$  = 25°C, supply voltage (V<sub>DD</sub>) = 15 V, and quiescent drain current (I<sub>DQ</sub>) = 500 mA, unless otherwise noted. Adjust the gate voltage (V<sub>GG1</sub>) from -1.5 V to 0 V to achieve I<sub>DQ</sub> = 500 mA typical.

#### Table 1. 0.05 GHz to 2 GHz Frequency Range

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
FREQUENCY RANGE		0.05		2	GHz
GAIN		11	13		dB
Flatness			±1.05		dB
Variation over Temperature			0.02		dB/°C
NOISE FIGURE			10		dB
RETURN LOSS					
Input			14		dB
Output			15		dB
OUTPUT					
OP1dB		29	31		dBm
Saturated Output Power (P <sub>SAT</sub> )			34		dBm
OIP3	Output power (P <sub>OUT</sub> ) per tone = 16 dBm with 1 MHz tone spacing		43		dBm
OIP2	P <sub>OUT</sub> per tone = 16 dBm with 1 MHz tone spacing		48		dBm
SUPPLY					
I <sub>DQ</sub>	Adjust $V_{GG1}$ to achieve $I_{DQ}$ = 500 mA typical		500		mA
V <sub>DD</sub>		10		15	V

## 2 GHZ TO 16 GHZ FREQUENCY RANGE

 $T_{CASE} = 25^{\circ}C$ ,  $V_{DD} = 15$  V, and  $I_{DQ} = 500$  mA, unless otherwise noted. Adjust  $V_{GG1}$  from -1.5 V to 0 V to achieve  $I_{DQ} = 500$  mA typical.

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Мах	Unit
FREQUENCY RANGE		2		16	GHz
GAIN		10.5	12.5		dB
Flatness			±0.26		dB
Variation over Temperature			0.016		dB/°C
NOISE FIGURE			4		dB
RETURN LOSS					
Input			13		dB
Output			15		dB
OUTPUT					
OP1dB		31	33		dBm
P <sub>SAT</sub>			34		dBm
OIP3	P <sub>OUT</sub> per tone = 16 dBm with 1 MHz tone spacing		45		dBm
OIP2	P <sub>OUT</sub> per tone = 16 dBm with 1 MHz tone spacing		45		dBm
SUPPLY					
I <sub>DQ</sub>	Adjust V <sub>GG1</sub> to achieve I <sub>DQ</sub> = 500 mA typical		500		mA
V <sub>DD</sub>		10		15	V

#### Table 2. 2 GHz to 16 GHz Frequency Range

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

# **16 GHZ TO 20 GHZ FREQUENCY RANGE**

 $T_{CASE}$  = 25°C,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V, and  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA, unless otherwise noted. Adjust  $V_{GG1}$  from -1.5 V to 0 V to achieve  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA typical.

#### Table 3. 16 GHz to 20 GHz Frequency Range

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Мах	Unit
FREQUENCY RANGE		16		20	GHz
GAIN		10.5	12.5		dB
Flatness			±0.1		dB
Variation over Temperature			0.002		dB/°C
NOISE FIGURE			3.5		dB
RETURN LOSS					
Input			14		dB
Output			17		dB
OUTPUT					
OP1dB		29	31		dBm
P <sub>SAT</sub>			33.5		dBm
OIP3	P <sub>OUT</sub> per tone = 16 dBm with 1 MHz tone spacing		43		dBm
OIP2	P <sub>OUT</sub> per tone = 16 dBm with 1 MHz tone spacing		45		dBm
SUPPLY					
I <sub>DQ</sub>	Adjust $V_{GG1}$ to achieve $I_{DQ}$ = 500 mA typical		500		mA
V <sub>DD</sub>		10		15	V

## 20 GHZ TO 24 GHZ FREQUENCY RANGE

 $T_{CASE}$  = 25°C,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V, and  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA, unless otherwise noted. Adjust the  $V_{GG1}$  from -1.5 V to 0 V to achieve  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA typical

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
FREQUENCY RANGE		20		24	GHz
GAIN			12.5		dB
Flatness					dB
Variation over Temperature			0.008		dB/°C
NOISE FIGURE			4		dB
RETURN LOSS					
Input			12		dB
Output			13		dB
OUTPUT					
OP1dB			29		dBm
P <sub>SAT</sub>			32		dBm
OIP3	P <sub>OUT</sub> per tone = 16 dBm with 1 MHz spacing		43		dBm
SUPPLY					
I <sub>DQ</sub>	Adjust V <sub>GG1</sub> to achieve I <sub>DQ</sub> = 500 mA typical		500		mA
V <sub>DD</sub>		10		15	V

#### Table 4. 20 GHz to 24 GHz Frequency Range

# **SPECIFICATIONS**

# 24 GHZ TO 28 GHZ FREQUENCY RANGE

 $T_{CASE}$  = 25°C,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V, and  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA, unless otherwise noted. Adjust the  $V_{GG1}$  from -1.5 V to 0 V to achieve  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA typical.

#### Table 5. 24 GHz to 28 GHz Frequency Range

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
FREQUENCY RANGE		24		28	GHz
GAIN			12		dB
Flatness			±1.05		dB
Variation over Temperature			0.017		
NOISE FIGURE			4.5		dB
RETURN LOSS					
Input			13		dB
Output			14		dB
OUTPUT					
OP1dB			27		dBm
P <sub>SAT</sub>			31		dBm
OIP3	P <sub>OUT</sub> per tone = 16 dBm with 1 MHz tone spacing		39		dBm
SUPPLY					
I <sub>DQ</sub>	Adjust V <sub>GG1</sub> to achieve I <sub>DQ</sub> = 500 mA typical		500		mA
V <sub>DD</sub>		10		15	V

# **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

#### Table 6. Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Rating
V <sub>DD</sub>	16.0 V
V <sub>GG1</sub>	-2.0 V to 0 V
RF Input Power (RFIN)	29 dBm
Continuous Power Dissipation (P <sub>DISS</sub> ), T <sub>CASE</sub> = 85°C (Derate 135 mW/°C above 85°C)	12.2 W
Temperature	
Maximum Channel	175°C
Quiescent Channel ( $T_{CASE}$ = 85°C, $V_{DD}$ = 15 V), $I_{DQ}$ = 500 mA, and Input Power ( $P_{IN}$ ) = Off	140.5°C
Storage Range	-65°C to +150°C
Operating Range	-40°C to +85°C

Stresses at or above those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the product. This is a stress rating only; functional operation of the product at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational section of this specification is not implied. Operation beyond the maximum operating conditions for extended periods may affect product reliability.

## THERMAL RESISTANCE

Thermal performance is directly linked to printed circuit board (PCB) design and operating environment. Careful attention to PCB thermal design is required.

 $\theta_{JC}$  is the junction-to-case thermal resistance (channel to exposed metal ground pad on the underside of the device).

#### Table 7. Thermal Resistance

Package Type	θ <sub>JC</sub> <sup>1</sup>	Unit
CG-32-2	7.4	°C/W

 $^1~\theta_{JC}$  was determined by simulation under the following conditions: the heat transfer is due solely to thermal conduction from the channel through the ground pad to the PCB. The ground pad is held constant at 85°C operating temperature.

# **ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE (ESD) RATINGS**

The following ESD information is provided for handling of ESD-sensitive devices in an ESD-protected area only.

Human Body Model (HBM) per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001.

# ESD Ratings for ADPA9007

#### Table 8. ADPA9007, 32-Lead LFCSP\_CAV

ESD Model	Withstand Threshold (V)	Class
HBM	±250	1A

#### **ESD CAUTION**



ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device. Charged devices and circuit boards can discharge without detection. Although this product features patented or proprietary protection circuitry, damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy ESD. Therefore, proper ESD precautions should be taken to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

## PIN CONFIGURATION AND FUNCTION DESCRIPTIONS



Figure 2. Pin Configuration

#### Table 9. Pin Function Descriptions

Pin No.	Mnemonic	Description
1, 4, 6, 8, 9, 16, 17, 20, 22, 24, 25, 32	GND	Ground. The GND pins must be connected to the RF and the DC ground. See Figure 3 for the interface schematic.
2, 3, 7, 11, 12, 14, 23, 27, 28, 31	NIC	Not Internally Connected. The NIC pins are not connected internally. However, all data shown is measured with the NIC pins connected to RF and DC ground externally.
5	RFIN	RF Input of the Amplifier. The RFIN pin is DC-coupled and matched to 50 $\Omega$ . See Figure 4 for the interface schematic.
10	VREF	Reference Diode Voltage for the Temperature Compensation of the VDET RF Output Power Measurements. The VREF pin voltage ( $V_{REF}$ ) requires the application of a DC bias voltage through an external series resistor. See Figure 5 for the interface schematic.
13	VGG1	Gate Control for the Amplifier. Attach bypass capacitors per the Applications Information section. See the Power-Up Sequence and Power-Down Sequence for additional information. See Figure 6 for the interface schematic.
15	ACG3	Low Frequency Termination. Attach bypass capacitors per the Applications Information section. See Figure 4 for the interface schematic.
18	VBTEMP	Temperature Sensor Bias. Bias pin for biasing the integrated temperature sensor. See Figure 7 for the interface schematic.
19	VTEMP	Integrated Temperature Sensor output. See Figure 7 for the interface schematic.
21	RFOUT/VDD	RF Output of the Amplifier. Connect the RFOUT/VDD pin to the DC bias ( $V_{DD}$ ) network to provide drain current ( $I_{DD}$ ). See Applications Information section. See Figure 8 for the interface schematic.
26	VDET	Detector Diode Voltage to Measure the RF Output Power. Detection by the VDET pin requires the application of a DC bias voltage through an external series resistor. Used in combination with the VREF pin, the difference detector voltage ( $V_{REF} - V_{DET}$ ) is a temperature compensated DC voltage proportional to the RF output power. See Figure 8 for the interface schematic.
29	ACG2	Low Frequency Termination. Attach bypass capacitors per the Applications Information section. See Figure 8 for the interface schematic.
30	ACG1	Low Frequency Termination. Attach bypass capacitor per the Applications Information section. See Figure 8 for the interface schematic.
	EPAD	Exposed Pad. The exposed pad must be connected to the RF and the DC ground.

#### **PIN CONFIGURATION AND FUNCTION DESCRIPTIONS**

# INTERFACE SCHEMATICS



Figure 3. GND Interface Schematic



Figure 4. RFIN and ACG3 Interface Schematic

VREF

Figure 5. VREF Interface Schematic



Figure 6. VGG1 Interface Schematic



Figure 7. VTEMP and VBTEMP Interface Schematic



Figure 8. ACG1, ACG2, RFOUT/VDD, and VDET Interface Schematic



Figure 9. Gain and Return Loss vs. Frequency, 100 kHz to 200 MHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 10. Gain vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures, 100 kHz to 200 MHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 11. Gain vs. Frequency for Various V<sub>DD</sub> Values, 100 kHz to 200 MHz,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 12. Gain and Return Loss vs. Frequency, 200 MHz to 30 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 13. Gain vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures, 200 MHz to 28 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 14. Gain vs. Frequency for Various V<sub>DD</sub> Values, 200 MHz to 28 GHz,  $I_{DQ} = 500 \text{ mA}$ 



Figure 15. Gain vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values, 100 kHz to 200 MHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 16. Input Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures, 100 kHz to 200 MHz, V<sub>DD</sub> = 15 V, I<sub>DQ</sub> = 500 mA



Figure 17. Input Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various  $V_{DD}$  Values, 100 kHz to 200 MHz,  $I_{DO}$  = 500 mA



Figure 18. Gain vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values, 200 MHz to 28 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 19. Input Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures, 200 MHz to 28 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 20. Input Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various  $V_{DD}$  Values, 200 MHz to 28 GHz,  $I_{DO}$  = 500 mA



Figure 21. Input Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values, 100 kHz to 200 MHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 22. Output Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures, 100 kHz to 200 MHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DO}$  = 500 mA



Figure 23. Output Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various V<sub>DD</sub> Values, 100 kHz to 200 MHz,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 24. Input Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values, 200 MHz to 28 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 25. Output Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures, 200 MHz to 28 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 26. Output Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various  $V_{DD}$  Values, 200 MHz to 28 GHz,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 27. Output Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values, 100 kHz to 200 MHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 28. Reverse Isolation vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 29. Noise Figure vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 30. Output Return Loss vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values, 200 MHz to 28 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 31. Noise Figure vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 32. Noise Figure vs. Frequency for Various  $V_{DD}$  Values,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 33. OP1dB vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures, 10 MHz to 2 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 34.  $P_{SAT}$  vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures, 10 MHz to 2 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 35. OP1dB vs. Frequency for Various  $V_{DD}$  Values, 10 MHz to 2 GHz,  $I_{DQ} = 500 \text{ mA}$ 



Figure 36. OP1dB vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures, 2 GHz to 28 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 37.  $P_{SAT}$  vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures, 2 GHz to 28 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 38. OP1dB vs. Frequency for Various  $V_{DD}$  Values, 2 GHz to 28 GHz,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 39.  $P_{SAT}$  vs. Frequency for Various V<sub>DD</sub> Values, 10 MHz to 2 GHz,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 40. OP1dB vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values, 10 MHz to 2 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 41.  $P_{SAT}$  vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values, 10 MHz to 2 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 42.  $P_{SAT}$  vs. Frequency for Various V<sub>DD</sub> Values, 2 GHz to 28 GHz,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 43. OP1dB vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values, 2 GHz to 28 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 44.  $P_{SAT}$  vs. Frequency for Various I<sub>DQ</sub> Values, 2 GHz to 28 GHz, V<sub>DD</sub> = 15 V



Figure 45. Power-Added Efficiency (PAE) at OP1dB vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures, V<sub>DD</sub> = 15 V, I<sub>DO</sub> = 500 mA



Figure 46. PAE at OP1dB vs. Frequency for Various V<sub>DD</sub> Values, I<sub>DQ</sub> = 500 mA



Figure 47. PAE at OP1dB vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 48. PAE at  $P_{SAT}$  vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 49. PAE at P<sub>SAT</sub> vs. Frequency for Various V<sub>DD</sub> Values, I<sub>DQ</sub> = 500 mA



Figure 50. PAE at P<sub>SAT</sub> vs. Frequency for Various I<sub>DQ</sub> Values, V<sub>DD</sub> = 15 V



Figure 51. P<sub>OUT</sub>, GAIN, PAE, and I<sub>DD</sub> vs. P<sub>IN</sub>, 4 GHz, V<sub>DD</sub> = 15 V, I<sub>DQ</sub> = 500 mA



Figure 52.  $P_{OUT}$ , GAIN, PAE, and  $I_{DD}$  vs.  $P_{IN}$ , 12 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 53.  $P_{OUT}$ , GAIN, PAE, and  $I_{DD}$  vs.  $P_{IN}$ , 20 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 54. POUT, GAIN, PAE, and IDD vs. PIN, 8 GHz, VDD = 15 V, IDQ = 500 mA



Figure 55.  $P_{OUT}$ , GAIN, PAE, and  $I_{DD}$  vs.  $P_{IN}$ , 16 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 56.  $P_{OUT}$ , GAIN, PAE, and  $I_{DD}$  vs.  $P_{IN}$ , 24 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 57.  $P_{DISS}$  vs.  $P_{IN}$  for Various Frequencies at  $T_A$  = 85°C,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 58.  $I_{DD}$  vs.  $P_{IN}$  for Various Temperatures, 16 GHz,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 59. OIP3 vs. Frequency for Various V<sub>DD</sub> Values,  $P_{OUT}$  per Tone = 16 dBm,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 60.  $I_{DD}$  vs.  $P_{IN}$  for Various Frequencies,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 61. OIP3 vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures,  $P_{OUT}$  per Tone = 16 dBm,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DO}$  = 500 mA



Figure 62. OIP3 vs. Frequency for Various I<sub>DQ</sub> Values, P<sub>OUT</sub> per Tone = 16 dBm, V<sub>DD</sub> = 15 V



Figure 63. Third-Order Intermodulation Distortion (IM3) vs. P<sub>OUT</sub> per Tone for Various Frequencies, V<sub>DD</sub> = 10 V, I<sub>DQ</sub> = 500 mA



Figure 64. IM3 vs.  $P_{OUT}$  per Tone for Various Frequencies,  $V_{DD}$  = 12 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 65. Low Frequency Second Harmonics vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA,  $P_{OUT}$  = 16 dBm



Figure 66. IM3 vs.  $P_{OUT}$  per Tone for Various Frequencies,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 67. Second Harmonics vs. Frequency for Various  $P_{OUT}$  Values,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA



Figure 68. Second Harmonics vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA,  $P_{OUT}$  = 16 dBm



Figure 69. Second Harmonics vs. Frequency for Various V<sub>DD</sub> Values,  $I_{DQ} = 500 \text{ mA}$ ,  $P_{OUT} = 16 \text{ dBm}$ 



Figure 70. Low Frequency OIP2 vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA,  $P_{OUT}$  = 16 dBm



Figure 71. OIP2 vs. Frequency for Various  $V_{DD}$  Values,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA,  $P_{OUT}$  = 16 dBm



Figure 72. Second Harmonics vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $P_{OUT}$  = 16 dBm



Figure 73. OIP2 vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA,  $P_{OUT}$  = 16 dBm



Figure 74. OIP2 vs. Frequency for Various  $I_{DQ}$  Values,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $P_{OUT}$  = 16 dBm



Figure 75.  $I_{DQ}$  vs.  $V_{GG1}$  for Various Temperatures,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 76. Detector Voltage (V<sub>REF</sub> - V<sub>DET</sub>) vs. P<sub>OUT</sub> for Various Frequencies



Figure 77. V<sub>REF</sub> – V<sub>DET</sub> vs. P<sub>OUT</sub> for Various Temperatures at 16 GHz



Figure 78.  $I_{GG}$  vs.  $P_{IN}$  for Various Frequencies,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V



Figure 79. V<sub>REF</sub> – V<sub>DET</sub> vs. P<sub>OUT</sub> for Various Temperatures at 12 GHz



Figure 80. V<sub>REF</sub> - V<sub>DET</sub> vs. Frequency for Various P<sub>OUT</sub> Values



Figure 81. Temperature Sensor Voltage ( $V_{TEMP}$ ) vs.  $P_{OUT}$  for Various Frequencies and Temperatures,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DO}$  = 500 mA



Figure 82.  $V_{TEMP}$  vs. Temperature for Various Frequencies,  $P_{OUT}$  = 28 dBm,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V,  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA

# THEORY OF OPERATION

The ADPA9007 is a broadband distributed GaAs, pHEMT, medium power amplifier. The simplified block diagram is shown in Figure 83. The drain current is set by the negative voltage applied to the VGG1 pin. The gate pin, VGG1, is driven by a negative voltage in the -1.5 V to 0 V range. For an I<sub>DQ</sub> of 500 mA, a gate bias voltage of -0.7 V is typically required. The drain bias voltage is applied through the RFOUT/VDD pin via a broadband bias tee or external bias network.

A portion of the RF output signal is directionally coupled to a diode for detection of the RF output power. When the diode is DC biased, the diode rectifies the RF power and makes the RF power available for measurement as DC voltage at the VDET pin. To allow temperature compensation of the VDET pin, an identical circuit (minus the RF coupled power) is available via the VREF pin. Taking the difference of  $V_{REF} - V_{DET}$  provides a temperature compensated signal that is proportional to the RF output power.

The ADPA9007 contains an integrated temperature sensor. The temperature sensor that is biased using the VBTEMP pin and a voltage that is proportional to the device temperature is available on VTEMP pin.



Figure 83. ADPA9007 Architecture

# **APPLICATIONS INFORMATION**

Figure 84 shows the basic connections for operating the AD-PA9007. The RFIN and the RFOUT/VDD pins require external AC-coupling capacitors. The drain bias is applied through a bias tee on the RFOUT/VDD pin. The nominal drain bias is 15 V. The negative gate current is applied to the VGG1 pin. A V<sub>GG1</sub> of approximately -0.7 V sets the drain current to 500 mA.

The VDET and VREF pins are connected to 5 V through 40.2 k $\Omega$  biasing resistors to bias internal circuits. Figure 84 shows an option-

al op amp differential amplifier circuit that can be used to subtract  $V_{\text{DET}}$  from  $V_{\text{REF}}$ , yielding a temperature-compensated voltage that is proportional to the RF output power.

The configuration shown in Figure 84 was used to characterize the device with the exception of the op-amp circuit. VDET and VREF were measured at their respective pins with just the two 40.2 k $\Omega$  biasing resistors attached.





# **POWER-UP SEQUENCING**

The following power-up sequencing in recommended:

- 1. Connect GND to ground.
- **2.** Set  $V_{GG1}$  to -1.5 V.
- 3. Set RFOUT/VDD to 15 V.
- **4.** Increase  $V_{GG1}$  to achieve an  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA.
- 5. Apply the RF signal.

If the desired gate voltage is known, set the  $V_{GG1}$  directly in Step 2 and skip Step 4.

## **POWER-DOWN SEQUENCING**

The following power-down sequencing is recommended.

- **1.** Turn off the RF signal.
- 2. Decrease  $V_{GG1}$  to -1.5 V to achieve an  $I_{DQ}$  = 0 mA.
- 3. Decrease  $V_{DD}$  to 0 V.
- Increase V<sub>GG1</sub> to 0 V.

The HMC980LP4E is an active bias controller that is designed to meet the bias requirements of depletion mode amplifiers such as the ADPA9007. The controller provides constant drain current biasing over temperature, device to device variation, and it properly sequences gate and drain voltages to ensure the safe operation of the amplifier. The HMC980LP4E also offers self-protection in the event of a short circuit. An internal charge pump generates the negative voltage that is needed on the gate of the ADPA9007, and there is an option to use an external negative voltage source. The HMC980LP4E is also available in die form as the HMC980-Die.



Figure 85. HMC980LP4E Active Bias Control

#### **APPLICATION CIRCUIT SETUP**

Figure 86 shows an application circuit using the HMC980LP4E to control the ADPA9007. When using an external negative supply for VNEG, see the application circuit shown in Figure 87.

In the application circuit shown in Figure 86, the ADPA9007 drain voltage ( $V_{DRAIN}$ ) and drain current ( $I_{DRAIN}$ ) are set by the following equations:

$$V_{DD} = V_{DRAIN} + (I_{DRAIN} \times 1.55 \,\Omega) \tag{1}$$

$$V_{DD} = 15 V + (0.6 A \times 1.55 \Omega) = 15.93 V$$
<sup>(2)</sup>

where:

The  $V_{DD}$  and  $V_{DRAIN}$  values are in volts. The  $I_{DRAIN}$  value is in amperes.

$$R10 = (150 \,\Omega \times A) / (I_{DRAIN}) \tag{3}$$

$$R10 = (150 \,\Omega \times A) / (0.6 \,A) = 250 \,\Omega \tag{4}$$

where:

The R10 is in ohms.

The *I<sub>DRAIN</sub>* is in amperes.

To achieve a certain large signal output power, sufficient drain current must be available to the device. The required drain current can be estimated from the curves shown in Figure 51 to Figure 56. As an example, for 16 GHz at  $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA in constant gate voltage mode, Figure 55 shows that the IDD ramps up to approximately 600 mA at P1dB. In order to obtain similar P1dB performance in constant drain current mode, the constant drain current must thus be set higher than 500 mA, so that 600 mA is available to the device. This can be seen in Figure 95. If the constant drain current were to instead be set to 500 mA, then 600 mA would not be available to the device at large signal, resulting in a lower P1dB.

## LIMITING VGATE FOR THE ADPA9007 V<sub>GG1</sub>

When using the HMC980LP4E to control the ADPA9007, the minimum gate voltage should be set to approximately -1.5 V. To set the minimum voltages, set the R15 and R16 resistors to the values shown in Figure 86 and Figure 87. Refer to the AN-1363: Meeting Biasing Requirements of Externally Biased RF/Microwave Amplifiers with Active Bias Controllers application note for more information and calculations for the R15 and R16 resistors.



Figure 86. Application Circuit Using the HMC980LP4E with the ADPA9007 (Internal Negative Voltage Source)



Figure 87. Application Circuit Using the HMC980LP4E with the ADPA9007 (External Negative Voltage Source)

## HMC980LP4E BIAS SEQUENCE

The DC supply sequence described in this section is required to prevent damage to the HMC980LP4E when using the device to control the ADPA9007.

#### **Power-Up Sequence**

The power-up sequence for the HMC980LP4E is as follows:

- 1. Set the VDIG pin = 3.3 V.
- 2. Set the S0 pin = 3.3 V.
- 3. Set the VDD pin = 15.51 V.
- **4.** Set the VNEG pin = −1.5 V (this step is unnecessary if using an internally generated voltage).
- 5. Set the EN pin = 3.3 V (the transition from 0 V to 3.3 V turns on the VGATE pin and the VDRAIN pin).

## **Power-Down Sequence**

The power-down sequence for the HMC980LP4E is as follows:

- 1. Set the EN pin = 0 V (the transition from 3.3 V to 0 V turns off the VDRAIN pins and the VGATE pin).
- Set the VNEG pin = 0 V (this step is unnecessary if using and internally generated voltage).
- 3. Set the VDD pin = 0 V.
- 4. Set the S0 pin = 0 V.
- 5. Set the VDIG pin = 0 V.

After the HMC980LP4E bias control circuit is set up, toggle the bias to the ADPA9007 on or off by applying 3.3 V or 0 V, respectively, to the EN pin. At the EN pin = +3.3 V, the VGATE pin drops to -1.5 V, and the VDRAIN pins turn on at +15 V. The VGATE pin then rises until I<sub>DRAIN</sub> = 600 mA, and the closed control loop regulates

 $I_{DRAIN}$  at 600 mA. When the EN pin = 0 V, the VGATE pin is set to -1.5 V, and the VDRAIN pins are set to 0 V.

#### CONSTANT DRAIN CURRENT BIASING VS. CONSTANT GATE VOLTAGE BIASING

The HMC980LP4E uses closed-loop feedback to continuously adjust the VGATE pin to maintain a constant drain current bias over DC supply variation, temperature, and device-to-device variation. In addition, constant drain current biasing is the optimum method to reduce time in calibration procedures and to maintain consistent performance over time.

To increase the OP1dB performance for the constant drain current bias, increase the set-point current as shown in Figure 89. The limit of increasing set-point current under the constant drain current operation is set by the thermal limitations found in Table 6 with the maximum power-dissipation specification. As the  $I_{DD}$  increases, the power dissipation increases, but the actual OP1dB does not continue to increase indefinitely. Therefore, when using constant drain current biasing, take the relationship between the power dissipation and the OP1dB performance into consideration.



Figure 88. OP1dB vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V, Data Measured with Constant I<sub>DD</sub> = 600 mA



Figure 89. OP1dB vs. Frequency for Various Set-Point Drain Currents, Constant Current Mode, V<sub>DD</sub> = 15 V



Figure 90.  $I_{DD}$  vs.  $P_{IN}$ ,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V, Frequency = 16 GHz, Constant  $I_{DRAIN}$  Set Point = 600 mA and Constant  $V_{GG1}$  ( $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA)



Figure 91.  $P_{SAT}$  vs. Frequency for Various Temperatures,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V, Data Measured with Constant  $I_{DD}$  = 600 mA



Figure 92. P<sub>SAT</sub> vs. Frequency for Various Set-Point Drain Currents, Constant Current Mode, V<sub>DD</sub> = 15 V



Figure 93. PAE vs.  $P_{IN}$ ,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V, Frequency = 16 GHz, Constant  $I_{DRAIN}$  Set Point = 600 mA and Constant  $V_{GG1}$  ( $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA)



Figure 94.  $P_{OUT}$  vs.  $P_{IN}$ ,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V, Frequency = 16 GHz, Constant  $I_{DRAIN}$  Set Point = 600 mA and Constant  $V_{GG1}$  ( $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA)



Figure 95. OP1dB vs. Frequency,  $V_{DD}$  = 15 V, Constant  $I_{DRAIN}$  Set Point = 600 mA and Constant  $V_{GG1}$  ( $I_{DQ}$  = 500 mA)

# **OUTLINE DIMENSIONS**



Figure 96. 32-Lead Lead Frame Chip Scale Package, Premolded Cavity [LFCSP\_CAV] 5 mm × 5 mm Body and 1.25 mm Package Height (CG-32-2) Dimensions shown in millimeters

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## **ORDERING GUIDE**

Model <sup>1</sup>	Temperature Range	Package Description	Packing Quantity	Package Option
ADPA9007ACGZN	-40°C to +85°C	32-Lead LFCSP (5 mm × 5 mm w/ EP)	Reel, 100	CG-32-2
ADPA9007ACGZN-R7	-40°C to +85°C	32-Lead LFCSP (5 mm × 5 mm w/ EP)	Reel, 1000	CG-32-2

<sup>1</sup> Z = RoHS Compliant Part.

## **EVALUATION BOARDS**

Model <sup>1</sup>	Description
ADPA9007-EVALZ	Evaluation Board

<sup>1</sup> Z = RoHS Compliant Part.

