

**MMS008AA Datasheet**  
**DC–8 GHz GaAs MMIC SP4T Non-Reflective**  
**Switch**



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# 1 Revision History

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The revision history describes the changes that were implemented in the document. The changes are listed by revision, starting with the most current publication.

## 1.1 Revision 1.0

Revision 1.0 was the first publication of this document.

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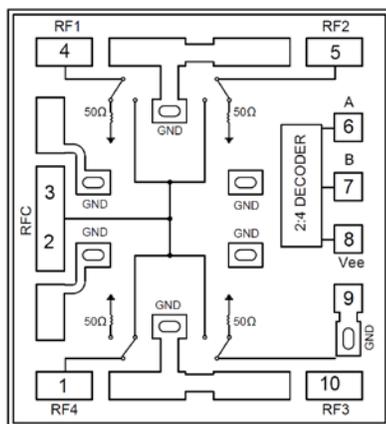
## 2 Product Overview

The MMS008AA is a DC-to-8 GHz, non-reflective gallium arsenide (GaAs) pseudomorphic high-electron mobility transistor (pHEMT) single pole 4 throw (SP4T) monolithic microwave integrated circuit (MMIC) switch chip. The switch delivers over 45 dB of isolation across the DC-to-8 GHz band while maintaining a low insertion loss of 1.6 dB. The RF ports are internally matched to 50  $\Omega$ , which allows for easy integration into multi-chip modules (MCMs).

### 2.1 Functional Block Diagram

The following illustration shows the primary functional blocks of the MMS008AA device.

**Figure 1 Functional Block Diagram**



### 2.2 Applications

The MMS008AA device is designed for the following applications:

- Test instrumentation
- Military radar, radio, EW and ECM applications
- General purpose microwave applications

### 2.3 Key Features

The following are key features of the MMS008AA device.

- Non-reflective topology
- Broadband performance: DC–8 GHz
- Fast switching: 10 ns
- Low insertion loss: <2 dB
- Excellent isolation: >45 dB
- Compact die size: 1.1 mm  $\times$  1.2 mm  $\times$  0.1 mm
- High Input P1dB: 28 dBm
- High Input IP3: 46 dBm

## 3 Electrical Specifications

### 3.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

The following table shows the absolute maximum ratings of the MMS008AA device.

**Table 1 Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Parameter	Rating
Storage temperature	–65 °C to 150 °C
Operating temperature	–40 °C to 85 °C
RF input power	30 dBm
Control voltage range (A/B)	0.5 V to –5 V
Hot switching power	27 dBm
Channel temperature	150 °C
Thermal resistance (insertion loss path)	130 °C/W
Thermal resistance (terminated path)	845 °C/W
ESD HBM	Class 1A

### 3.2 Typical Electrical Performance

The following table shows the typical electrical performance of the MMS008AA device at 25 °C, where  $V_{\text{CONTROL}}$  is 0 V, –5 V, and  $V_{\text{EE}}$  is –5 V. The system is 50  $\Omega$ .

**Table 2 Typical Electrical Performance**

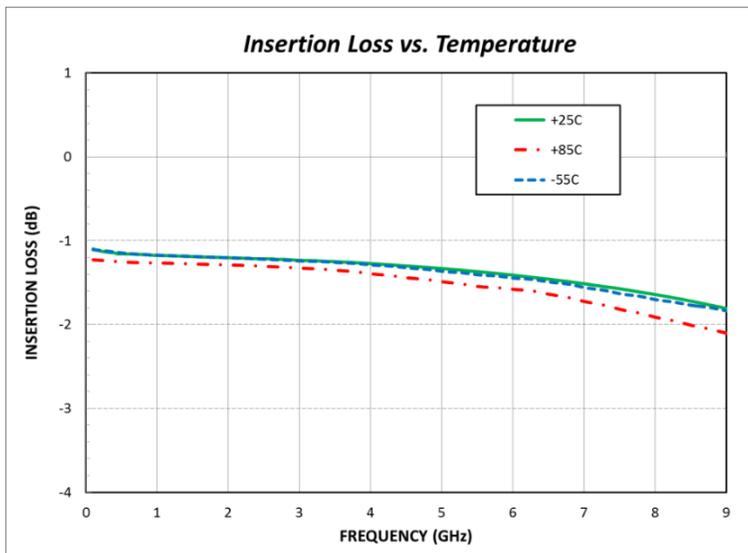
Parameter	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Operational frequency range		DC		8.0	GHz
Control voltage	Low	–3.0		0	V
	High	–5.0		–4.2	V
Insertion loss	DC–6.0 GHz		1.4	2.1	dB
	DC–8.0 GHz		1.6	2.2	dB
Isolation	DC–2.0 GHz	44	61		dB
	DC–4.0 GHz	37	52		dB
	DC–6.0 GHz	34	47		dB
	DC–8.0 GHz	30	45		dB
$T_{\text{RISE}}, T_{\text{FALL}}$	DC–8.0 GHz (10% to 90% and 90% to 10% RF)		10, 10		ns
$T_{\text{ON}}, T_{\text{OFF}}$	DC–8.0 GHz (50% control to 90% RF, and 50% control to 90% RF)		85, 35		ns
Return loss (on state)	DC–2.0 GHz	10	20		dB
	DC–8.0 GHz	7	17		dB
Return loss (off state)	DC–8.0 GHz	7	27		dB

Parameter	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Input P1dB	0.5 GHz–8.0 GHz	17	28		dBm
Input third order intercept (IIP3)	0.5 GHz–8.0 GHz (two-tone input power, 0 dBm/tone)	43	46		dBm

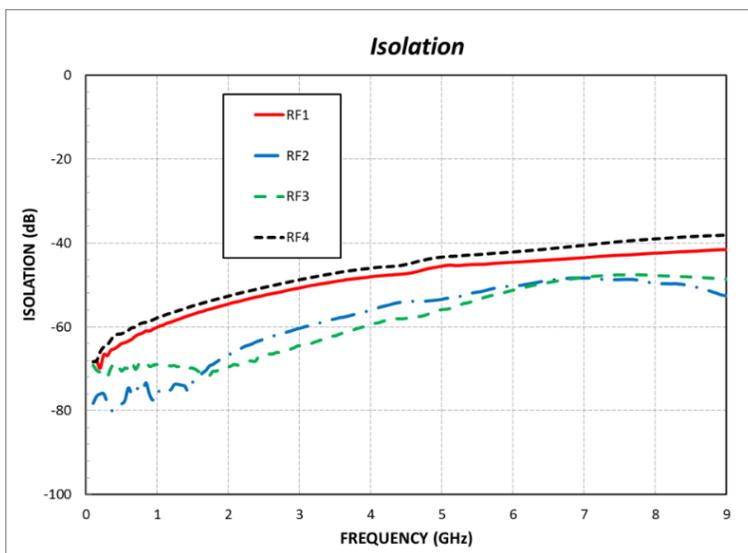
### 3.3 Typical Performance Curves

The following graphs show the typical performance curves of the MMS008AA device.

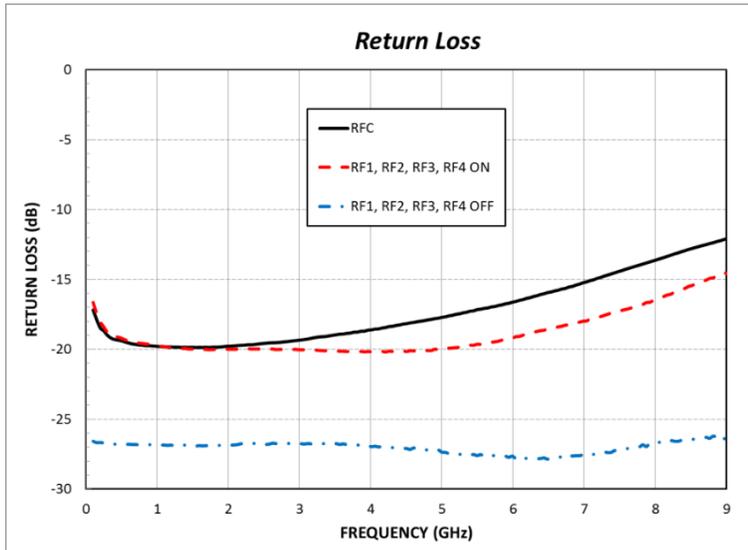
**Figure 2 Insertion Loss vs. Temperature**



**Figure 3 Isolation**



**Figure 4 Return Loss**



**Figure 5 0.1 dB and 1 dB Input Compression Point**

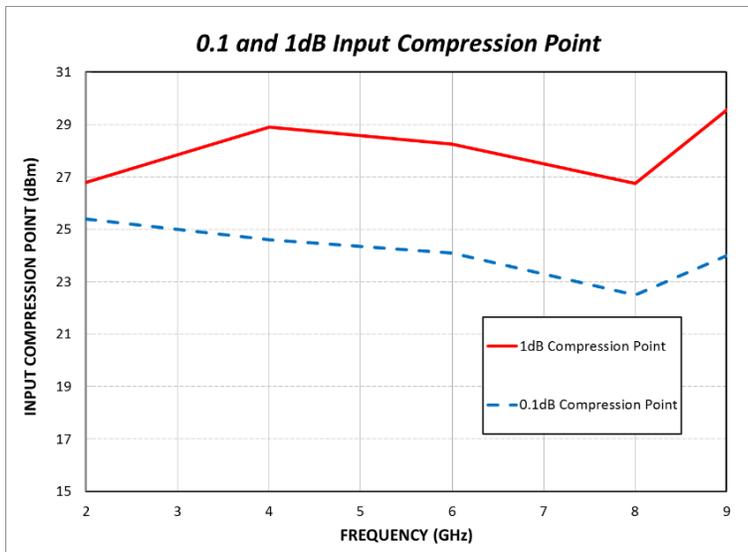
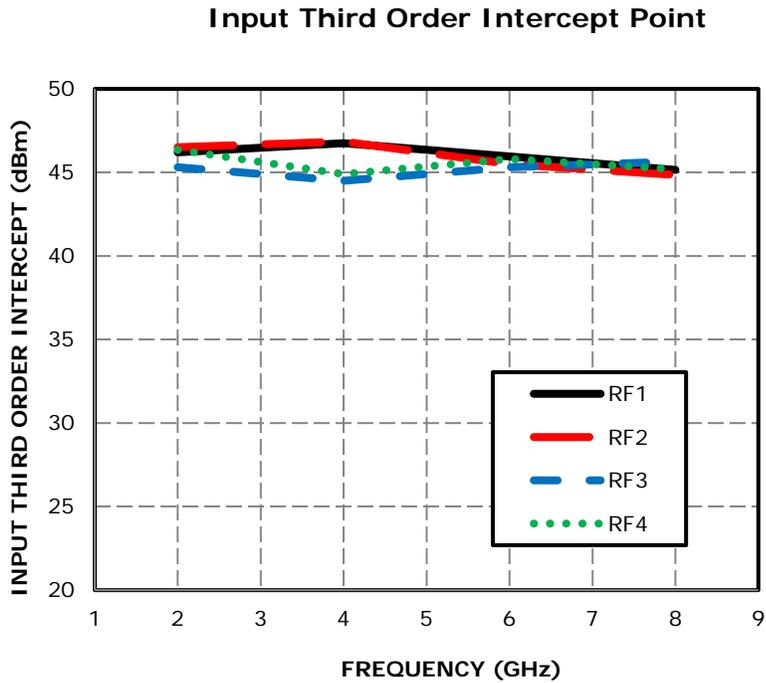


Figure 6 Input Third Order Intercept Point



### 3.4 Control Voltages

The following tables show the control voltages of the MMS008AA device.

Table 3 Switch Control Truth Table

Control Input		Signal Path Condition			
A	B	RF Common to RF1	RF Common to RF2	RF Common to RF3	RF Common to RF4
High	High	On	Off	Off	Off
Low	High	Off	On	Off	Off
High	Low	Off	Off	On	Off
Low	Low	Off	Off	Off	On

Table 4 Digital Control Voltages

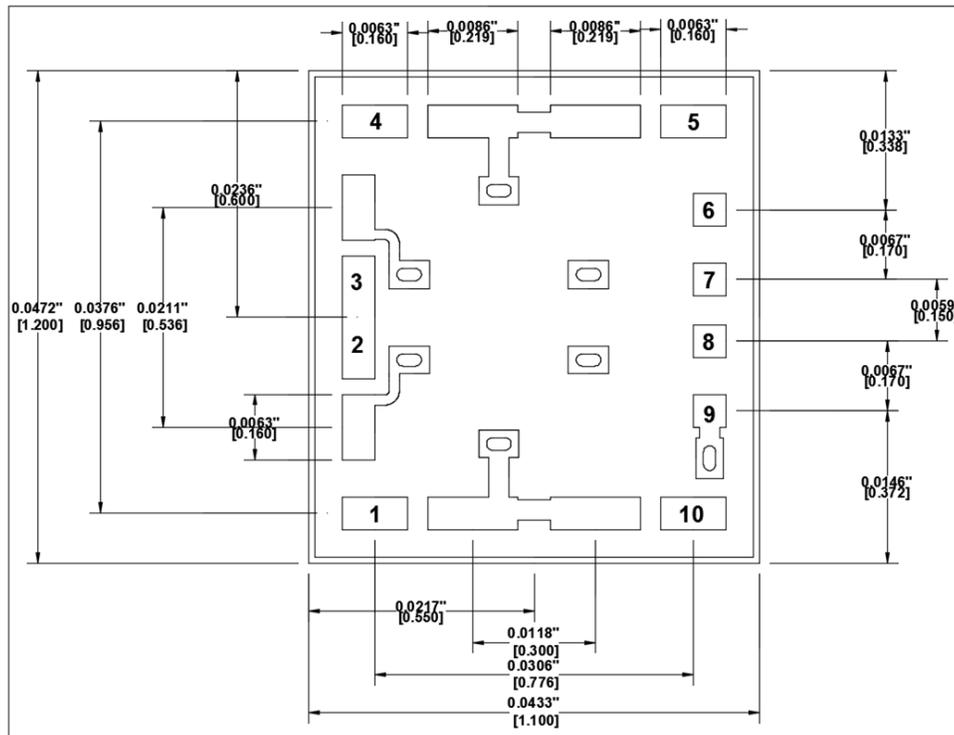
State	Bias Condition
Low	–3 V to 0 V
High	–5.0 V to –4.2 V

## 4 Chip Outline Drawing, Die Packaging, Bond Pad, and Assembly Information

### 4.1 Chip Outline Drawing

The following illustration shows the chip outline of the MMS008AA device. Dimensions are shown in inches and millimeters. The minimum bond pad size is 100 μm × 100 μm. Both the bond pad surface and the backside metal are 3 μm gold. The die thickness is 100 μm. The backside is the DC/RF ground. The airbridge keepout region is in crosshatch, and the unlabeled pads should not be bonded.

Figure 7 Chip Outline



### 4.2 Die Packaging Information

The following table shows the chip outline of the MMS008AA device. For additional packaging information, contact your Microsemi sales representative.

Table 5 Die Packaging Information

Standard Format	Optional Format
Waffle pack	Gel pack
50–100 pieces per pack	50 pieces per pack

### 4.3 Bond Pad Information

The following table shows the bond pad information for the MMS008AA device.

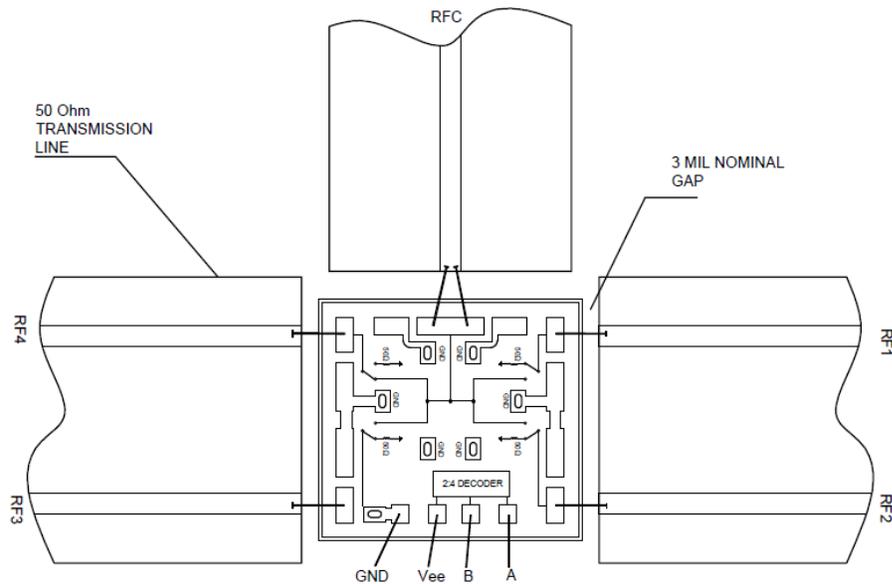
**Table 6 Bond Pad Information**

Bond Pad Number	Bond Pad Name	Description
1, 4, 5, 10	RF4, RF1, RF2, RF3	RF output 4, RF output 1, RF output 2 and RF output 3. These bond pads are DC-coupled and matched to 50 $\Omega$ . DC-blocking capacitors are required.
2, 3	RFC	RF Common. DC-blocking capacitor is required.
6, 7	A, B	Digital control voltage. Refer to Control Voltages section.
8	V <sub>EE</sub>	DC voltage supply: –5.0 VDC $\pm$ 10%.
9, backside paddle	RF/DC GND	RF/DC ground.

### 4.4 Assembly Diagram

The following figure shows the assembly diagram of the MMS008AA device.

**Figure 8 Assembly Diagram**



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## 5 Handling and Die Attachment Recommendations

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Gallium arsenide integrated circuits are sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD) and can be damaged by static electricity. It is recommended to follow all procedures and guidelines outlined in the Microsemi application note [AN01 GaAs MMIC Handling and Die Attach Recommendations](#).

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## 6 Ordering Information

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The following table shows the ordering information for the MMS008AA device.

**Table 7 Ordering Information**

Part Number	Package
MMS008AA	Die