

Surface Mount

Monolithic Amplifier

ERA-9SM+

50Ω DC to 8 GHz



Micro-X, 0.085" diameter

The Big Deal

- Low Gain
- Good Gain flatness, ± 0.9 dB
- Broadband matched
- Suitable for low phase noise applications

Product Overview

ERA-9SM+ (RoHS compliant) is wideband current driven amplifier fabricated using HBT technology. In addition, the ERA-9SM+, has good input and output return loss over a broad frequency range without the need for external matching components. It has repeatable performance from lot to lot and is enclosed in a 0.085" diameter micro-x package for very good thermal performance.

Key Features

Feature	Advantages
Broadband, DC* to 8 GHz (* Low frequency cut off determined by external coupling capacitors)	A single amplifier covering DC* to 8 band. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reduced component inventory• Ideal for wideband applications such as instrumentation and military
Low gain: 8.6 dB typ. at 0.1 GHz and 6.9 dB at 8 GHz	Ideal for increasing the gain of amplifier chain by low value. Typically small gain change may need two components; an amplifier and an attenuator. Use of ERA-9SM+ reduces component count.
Good Gain Flatness: ± 0.9 dB	No need for gain flatness compensation over 8 GHz band to realize published gain flatness.
Wideband matched Input return loss: 18-25 dB typ. Output return loss: 12-37 dB typ.	No external matching required to realize published return loss.
Low additive phase noise, typically -173 dBc/Hz @ 10 KHz offset	Ideal for low phase noise synthesizer applications

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Product Features

- DC-8 GHz
- Gain, 8.4 dB typ. at 2 GHz
- Good gain flatness, ± 0.9 dB typ.
- Output power, 13.8 dBm typ. at 2 GHz
- Internally Matched to 50 Ohms
- Aqueous washable
- Protected by US Patent 6,943,629



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ERA-9SM+

CASE STYLE: WW107

+RoHS Compliant

The +Suffix identifies RoHS Compliance. See our web site for RoHS Compliance methodologies and qualifications

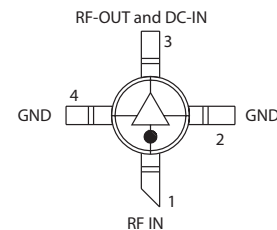
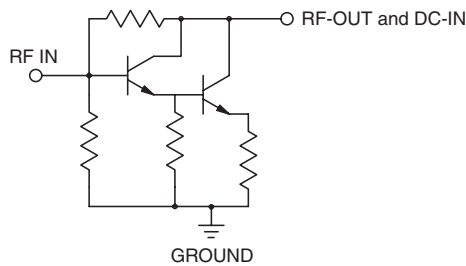
Typical Applications

- Cellular
- PCS
- Communication receivers & transmitters
- Satellite communication, military

General Description

ERA-9SM+ (RoHS compliant) is a wideband current driven low gain, amplifier offering medium dynamic range. It has repeatable performance from lot to lot. It is enclosed in a 0.085" diameter micro-x package.

simplified schematic and pin description



Function	Pin Number	Description
RF IN	1	RF input pin. This pin requires the use of an external DC blocking capacitor chosen for the frequency of operation.
RF-OUT and DC-IN	3	RF output and bias pin. DC voltage is present on this pin; therefore a DC blocking capacitor is necessary for proper operation. An RF choke is needed to feed DC bias without loss of RF signal due to the bias connection, as shown in "Recommended Application Circuit".
GND	2,4	Connections to ground. Use via holes as shown in "Suggested Layout for PCB Design" to reduce ground path inductance for best performance.

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Electrical Specifications at 25°C and 50mA, unless noted

Parameter	Condition (GHz)	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Frequency Range*		DC		8	GHz
Gain	0.1	—	8.6	—	dB
	1	—	8.5	—	
	2	7.4	8.3	9.0	
	4	—	7.8	—	
	5	—	7.4	—	
	8	—	6.9	—	
Input Return Loss	0.1		24.0		dB
	1		24.4		
	2		25.0		
	4		24.0		
	5		21.9		
	8		18.6		
Output Return Loss	0.1		37.3		dB
	1		32.4		
	2		23.8		
	4		17.8		
	5		15.5		
	8		11.9		
Output IP3	0.1		31.1		dBm
	1		31.3		
	2		30.1		
	4		25.4		
	5		23.4		
	8		19.4		
Output Power @ 1 dB compression	0.1	—	14.3	—	dBm
	1	—	14.1	—	
	2	12.8	14.1	—	
	4	—	12.5	—	
	5	—	10.9	—	
	8	—	7.9	—	
Noise Figure	0.1		5.1		dB
	1		5.3		
	2		5.3		
	4		5.3		
	5		5.3		
	8		5.4		
Additive phase noise	2.0 GHz, 10KHz offset	—	-173	—	dBc/Hz
Recommended Device Operating Current (Id)			50		mA
Device Operating Voltage (Vd)		3.6	4.0	4.4	V
Device Voltage Variation vs. Temperature at 50 mA			-2.6		mV/°C
Device Voltage Variation vs. Current at 25°C			17.5		mV/mA
Thermal Resistance, junction-to-case ¹			138		°C/W

*Low frequency cut off determined by external coupling capacitors.

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Ratings
Operating Temperature*	-40°C to 85°C
Storage Temperature	-65°C to 150°C
Operating Current	74 mA
Input Power	26 dBm (5 min max.) 15 dBm (continuous)

Note: Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded.
 These ratings are not intended for continuous normal operation.
¹Case is defined as ground leads.

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Characterization Test Circuit

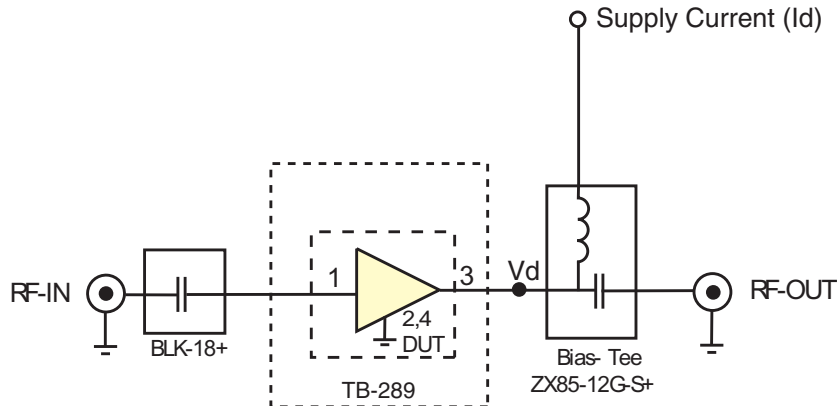
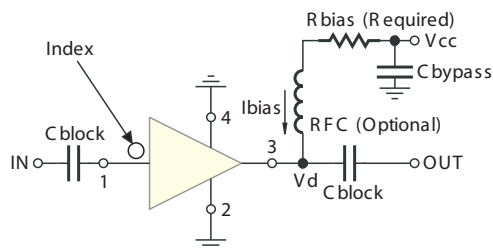


Fig 1. Block Diagram of Test Circuit used for characterization. (DUT soldered on Mini-Circuits Characterization test board TB-289) Gain, Return loss, Output power at 1dB compression (P1 dB) , output IP3 (OIP3) and noise figure measured using Agilent’s N5242A PNA-X microwave network analyzer.

Conditions:

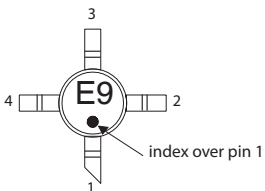
1. Gain and Return loss: Pin= -25dBm
2. Output IP3 (OIP3): Two tones, spaced 1 MHz apart, -5 dBm/tone at output.

Recommended Application Circuit



Test Board includes case, connectors, and components (in bold) soldered to PCB

Product Marking



Markings in addition to model number designation may appear for internal quality control purposes.

R BIAS	
Vcc	“1%” Res. Values (ohms) for Optimum Biasing
7	61.9
8	80.6
9	100
10	121
11	140
12	165
13	182
14	200
15	221
16	237
17	261
18	274
19	301
20	316

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Additional Detailed Technical Information	
<i>additional information is available on our dash board. To access this information click here</i>	
Performance Data	Data Table
	Swept Graphs
	S-Parameter (S2P Files) Data Set (.zip file)
Case Style	WW107, Plastic micro-x 0.085 <i>body diameter</i> , <i>lead finish: Matte-Tin</i>
Tape & Reel Standard quantities available on reel	F4 <i>7" Reels with 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1K devices</i>
Suggested Layout for PCB Design	98-PL-075
Evaluation Board	TB-408-9SM+
Environmental Ratings	ENV08T1

ESD Rating

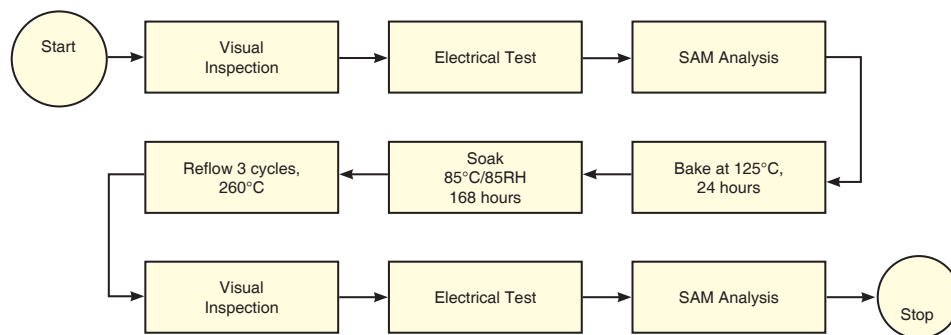
Human Body Model (HBM): Class 1B (500 to <1000V) in accordance with ANSI/ESD STM 5.1 - 2001

Machine Model (MM): Class M1(25V) in accordance with ANSI/ESD STM5.2-1999

MSL Rating

Moisture Sensitivity: MSL1 in accordance with IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020D

MSL Test Flow Chart



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