Data Sheet

ADRF5046

Silicon SP4T Switch, Reflective, 100 MHz to 44 GHz

FEATURES

- Ultra wideband frequency range: 100 MHz to 44 GHz
- Reflective design
- Low insertion loss
  - 1.5 dB to 18 GHz
  - 2.5 dB to 40 GHz
  - 3.0 dB to 44 GHz
- High isolation
  - 46 dB to 18 GHz
  - 33 dB to 40 GHz
  - 31 dB to 44 GHz
- High input linearity
  - P0.1dB: 27.5 dBm typical
  - IP3: 50 dBm typical
- High RF input power handling
  - Through path: 27 dBm
  - Hot switching (RFC): 27 dBm
- No low frequency spurious
- 0.1 dB RF settling time: 50 ns
- 20-terminal, 3 mm × 3 mm, RoHS-compliant, LGA package

APPLICATIONS

- Industrial scanner
- Test instrumentation
- Cellular infrastructure mmWave 5G
- Military radios, radars, and electronic counter measures (ECMs)
- Microwave radios and very small aperture terminals (VSATs)

FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM

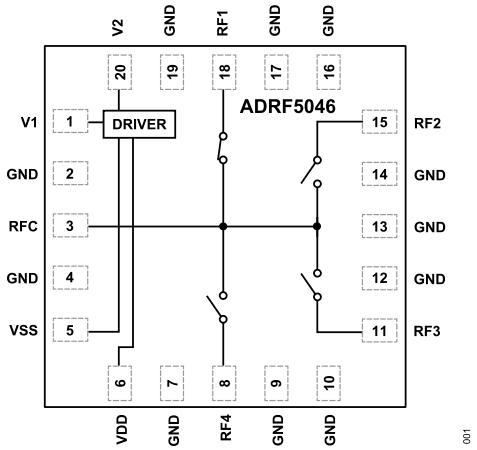

Figure 1.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The ADRF5046 is a reflective, single-pole four-throw (SP4T) switch manufactured in the silicon process.

The ADRF5046 operates from 100 MHz to 44 GHz with insertion loss of lower than 3.0 dB and isolation of higher than 31 dB. The device has a radio frequency (RF) input power handling capability of 27 dBm for both the through path and hot switching at RFC pin.

The ADRF5046 draws a low current of 3 µA on the positive supply of +3.3 V, and −110 µA on the negative supply of −3.3 V. The device provides complementary metal-oxide semiconductor (CMOS)-/low voltage transistor-transistor logic (LVTTL)-compatible controls.

The ADRF5046 comes in a 20-terminal, 3 mm × 3 mm, RoHS-compliant, land grid array (LGA) package and can operate from −40°C to +105°C.

Rev. A

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4/2019—Revision 0: Initial Version

SPECIFICATIONS

Power supply voltage (V_{DD}) = +3.3 V, negative supply voltage (V_{SS}) = −3.3 V, digital control inputs voltage (V_{CTL}) = 0 V or +3.3 V, and case temperature (T_{CASE}) = 25°C on a 50 Ω system, unless otherwise noted. RFx refers to RF1, RF2, RF3, and RF4.

Table 1. Electrical Specifications

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
FREQUENCY RANGE	f		100		44,000	MHz
INSERTION LOSS						
Between RFC and RF1 to RF4 (On)		100 MHz to 18 GHz		1.5		dB
		18 GHz to 26 GHz		1.7		dB
		26 GHz to 35 GHz		2.3		dB
		35 GHz to 40 GHz		2.5		dB
		40 GHz to 44 GHz		3.0		dB
ISOLATION						
Between RFC and RF1 to RF4 (Off)		100 MHz to 18 GHz		46		dB
		18 GHz to 26 GHz		42		dB
		26 GHz to 35 GHz		38		dB
		35 GHz to 40 GHz		33		dB
		40 GHz to 44 GHz		31		dB
RETURN LOSS						
RFC and RF1 to RF4 (On)		100 MHz to 18 GHz		17		dB
		18 GHz to 26 GHz		18		dB
		26 GHz to 35 GHz		13		dB
		35 GHz to 40 GHz		16		dB
		40 GHz to 44 GHz		12		dB
SWITCHING CHARACTERISTICS						
Rise and Fall Time	t_{RISE}, t_{FALL}	10% to 90% of RF output		3		ns
On and Off Time	t_{ON}, t_{OFF}	50% V_{CTL} to 90% of RF output		16		ns
RF Settling Time						
0.1 dB		50% V_{CTL} to 0.1 dB of final RF output		50		ns
0.05 dB		50% V_{CTL} to 0.05 dB of final RF output		60		ns
INPUT LINEARITY[1]						
0.1 dB Power Compression	P0.1dB	f = 200 MHz to 40 GHz		27.5		dBm
Third-Order Intercept	IP3	Two-tone input power = 14 dBm each tone, f = 200 MHz to 40 GHz, Δf = 1 MHz		50		dBm
Second-Order Intercept	IP2	Two-tone input power = 14 dBm each tone, f = 10 GHz, Δf = 1 MHz		100		dBm
VIDEO FEEDTHROUGH[2]				35		mV p-p
SUPPLY CURRENT		VDD, VSS pins				
Positive	I_{DD}			3		µA
Negative	I_{SS}			−110		µA
DIGITAL CONTROL INPUTS		V1, V2 pins				
Voltage						
Low	V_{INL}		0		0.8	V
High	V_{INH}		1.2		3.3	V
Current						
Low	I_{INL}			<1		µA
High	I_{INH}			35		µA
RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITONS						
Supply Voltage						
Positive	V_{DD}		3.15		3.45	V
Negative	V_{SS}		−3.45		−3.15	V

SPECIFICATIONS

Table 1. Electrical Specifications (Continued)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Digital Control Inputs Voltage	V_{CTL}		0		V_{DD}	V
RF Input Power[3]	P_{IN}	f = 200 MHz to 40 GHz, T_{CASE} = 85°C[4]				
Through Path		RF signal is applied to RFC or through connected RF throw port (selected RFx)			27	dBm
Hot Switching (RFC)		RF signal is applied to RFC while switching between RFx ports			27	dBm
Hot Switching (RFx)		RF signal is applied to RFx port while switching to or from another RFx port			24	dBm
Case Temperature	T_{CASE}		−40		+105	°C

[1] For input linearity performance over frequency, see Figure 19 to Figure 22.

[2] Video feedthrough is the spurious dc transient measured at the RF ports in a 50 Ω test setup, without an RF signal present while switching the control voltage.

[3] For power derating over frequency, see Figure 2 and Figure 3.

[4] For 105°C operation, the power handling degrades from the T_{CASE} = 85°C specification by 3 dB.

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

For recommended operating conditions, see Table 1.

Table 2. Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Rating
Supply Voltage	
Positive	−0.3 V to +3.6 V
Negative	−3.6 V to +0.3 V
Digital Control Input Voltage	−0.3 V to V_{DD} +0.3 V
RFC Input Power (f[1] = 200 MHz to 40 GHz, T_{CASE} = 85°C[2])	
Through Path	27.5 dBm
Hot Switching	27.5 dBm
RFx Input Power (f[1] = 200 MHz to 40 GHz, T_{CASE} = 85°C[2])	
Through Path	27.5 dBm
Hot Switching	24.5 dBm
Temperature	
Junction, T_J	135°C
Storage Range	−65°C to +150°C
Reflow	260°C
Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) Sensitivity	
Human Body Model (HBM)	
RF Pins	500 V
Supply and Digital Control Pins	2000 V

[1] For power derating over frequency, see Figure 2 and Figure 3.

[2] For 105°C operation, the power handling degrades from the T_{CASE} = 85°C specification by 3 dB.

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.

Only one absolute maximum rating can be applied at any one time.

THERMAL RESISTANCE

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

θ_{JC} is the junction to case bottom (channel to package bottom) thermal resistance.

Table 3. Thermal Resistance

Package Type	θ_{JC}	Unit
CC-20-6, Through Path	240	°C/W

POWER DERATING CURVES

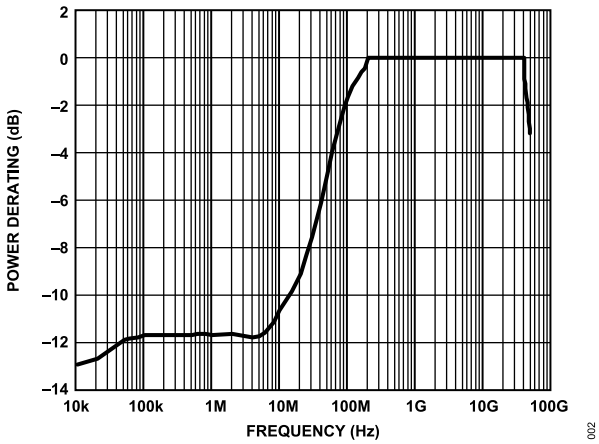

Figure 2. Power Derating vs. Frequency, Low Frequency Detail, T_{CASE} = 85°C

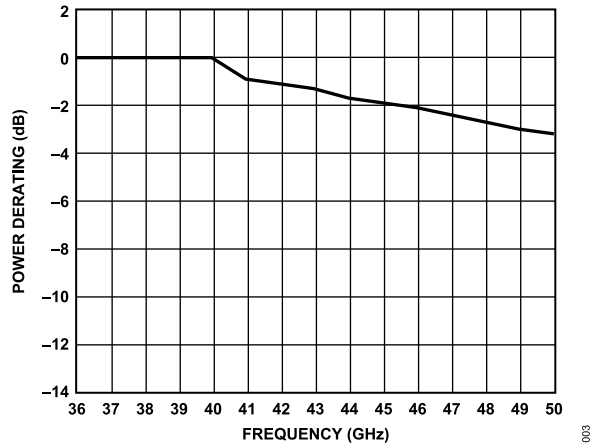

Figure 3. Power Derating vs. Frequency, High Frequency Detail, T_{CASE} = 85°C

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

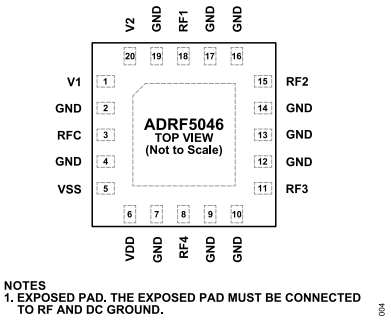

Figure 4. Pin Configuration (Top View)

Table 4. Pin Function Descriptions

Pin No.	Mnemonic	Description
1	V1	Control Input 1. See Figure 6 for the interface schematic.
2, 4, 7, 9, 10, 12 to 14, 16, 17, 19	GND	Ground. These pins must be connected to the RF and dc ground of the PCB.
3	RFC	RF Common Port. This pin is dc-coupled to 0 V and ac matched to 50 Ω. No dc blocking capacitor is required when the RF line potential is equal to 0 V dc. See Figure 5 for the interface schematic.
5	VSS	Negative Supply Voltage.
6	VDD	Positive Supply Voltage.
8	RF4	RF Throw Port 4. This pin is dc-coupled to 0 V and ac matched to 50 Ω. No dc blocking capacitor is required when the RF line potential is equal to 0 V dc. See Figure 5 for the interface schematic.
11	RF3	RF Throw Port 3. This pin is dc-coupled to 0 V and ac matched to 50 Ω. No dc blocking capacitor is required when the RF line potential is equal to 0 V dc. See Figure 5 for the interface schematic.
15	RF2	RF Throw Port 2. This pin is dc-coupled to 0 V and ac matched to 50 Ω. No dc blocking capacitor is required when the RF line potential is equal to 0 V dc. See Figure 5 for the interface schematic.
18	RF1	RF Throw Port 1. This pin is dc-coupled to 0 V and ac matched to 50 Ω. No dc blocking capacitor is required when the RF line potential is equal to 0 V dc.
20	V2	Control Input 2. See Figure 6 for the interface schematic.
	EPAD	Exposed Pad. The exposed pad must be connected to the RF and dc ground.

INTERFACE SCHEMATICS

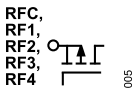

Figure 5. RF Pins (RFC and RF1 to RF4) Interface Schematic

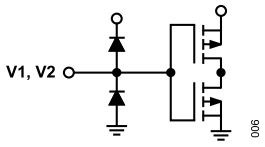

Figure 6. Control Input Pins Interface Schematic

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

INSERTION LOSS, RETURN LOSS AND ISOLATION

V_{DD} = +3.3 V, V_{SS} = −3.3 V, V_{CTL} = 0 V or +3.3 V, and T_{CASE} = 25°C on a 50 Ω system, unless otherwise noted. Insertion loss and return loss are measured on the probe matrix board using ground-signal-ground (GSG) probes close to the RFx pins. However, isolation is measured on the evaluation board. See the Applications Information section for details on the evaluation and probe matrix boards.

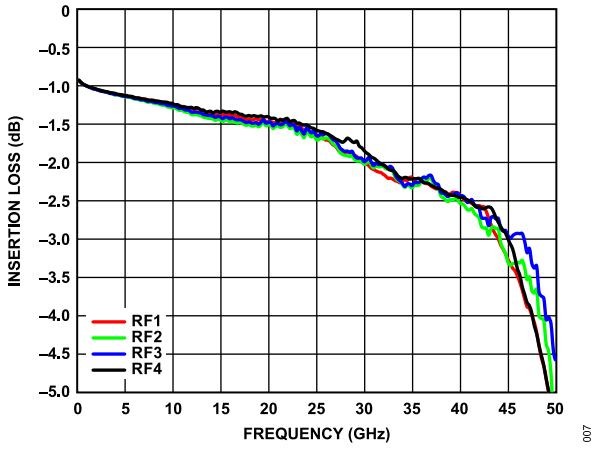

Figure 7. Insertion Loss for RFx On vs. Frequency

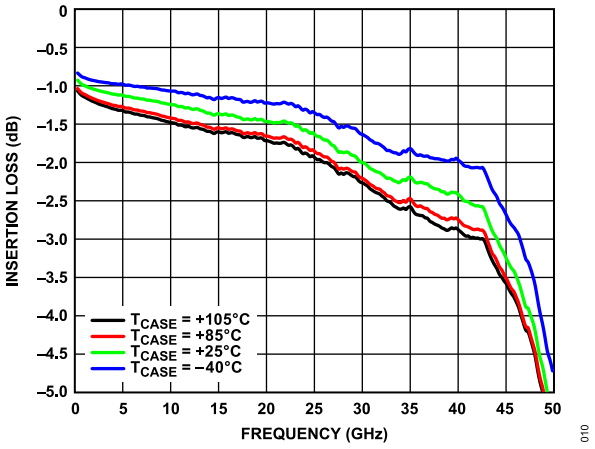

Figure 10. Insertion Loss for RF1 On vs. Frequency over Temperature

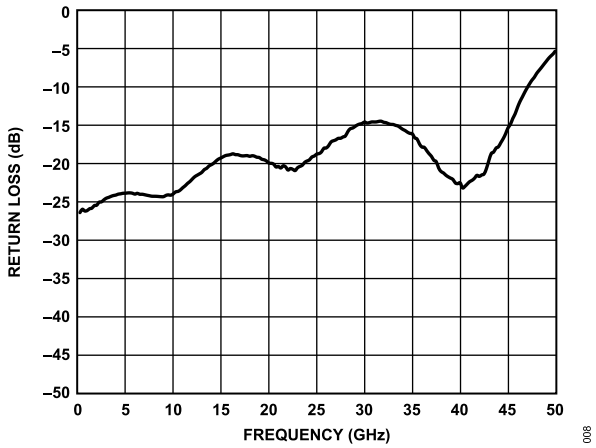

Figure 8. Return Loss for RFC vs. Frequency, RFC to RF1 On

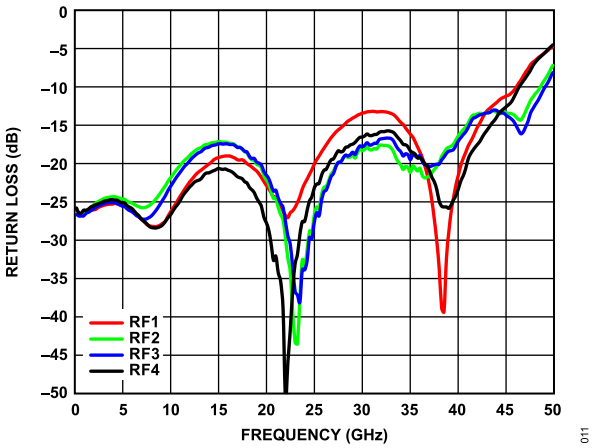

Figure 11. Return Loss for RFx On vs. Frequency

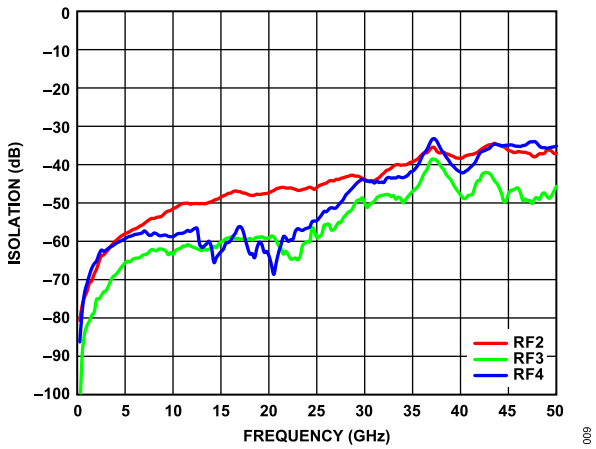

Figure 9. Isolation for RFC vs. Frequency, RFC to RF1 On

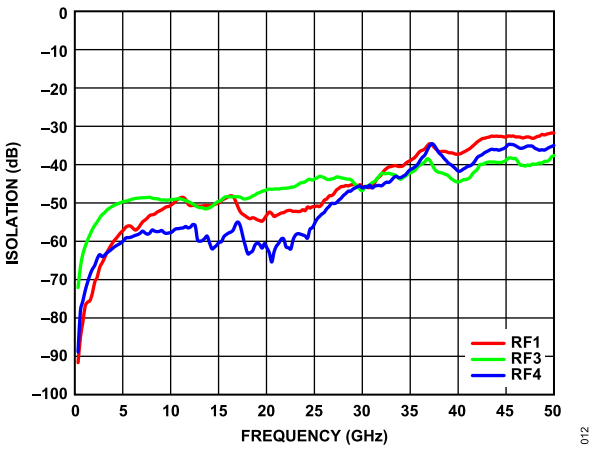

Figure 12. Isolation for RFC vs. Frequency, RFC to RF2 On

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

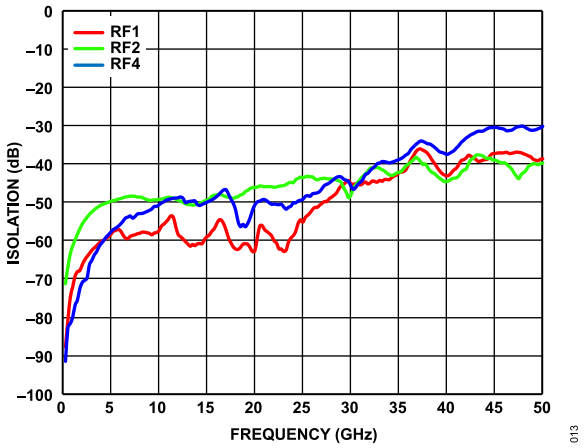

Figure 13. Isolation for RFC vs. Frequency, RFC to RF3 On

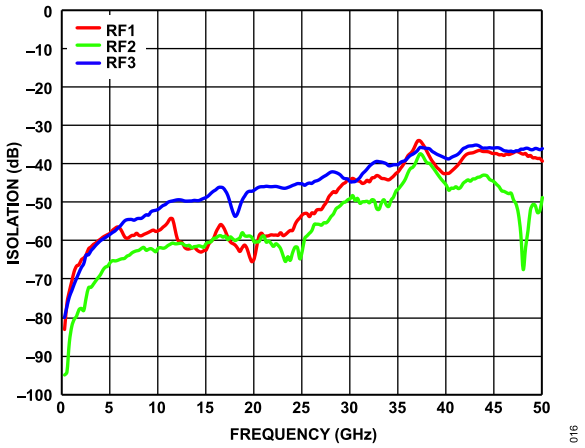

Figure 16. Isolation for RFC vs. Frequency, RFC to RF4 On

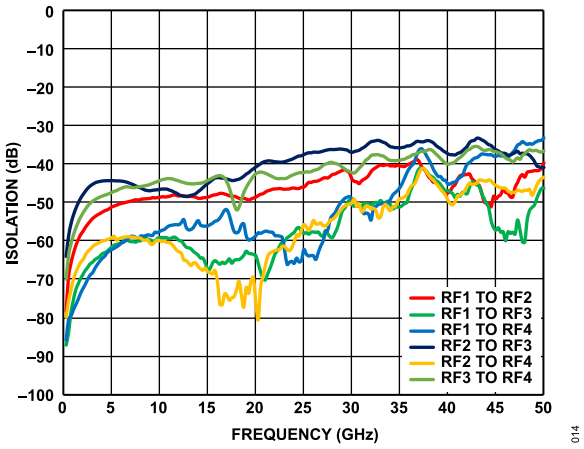

Figure 14. Channel to Channel Isolation vs. Frequency, RFC to RF1 On

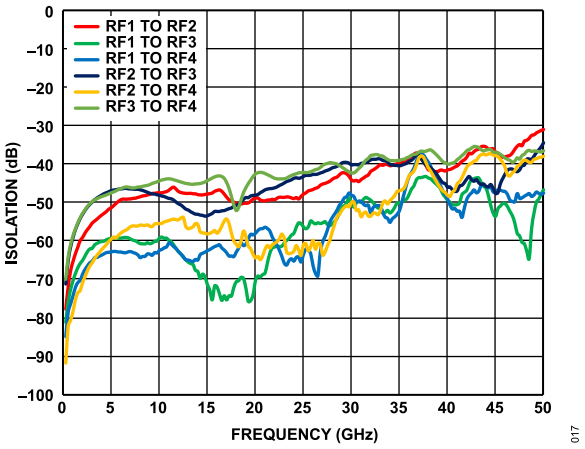

Figure 17. Channel to Channel Isolation vs. Frequency, RFC to RF2 On

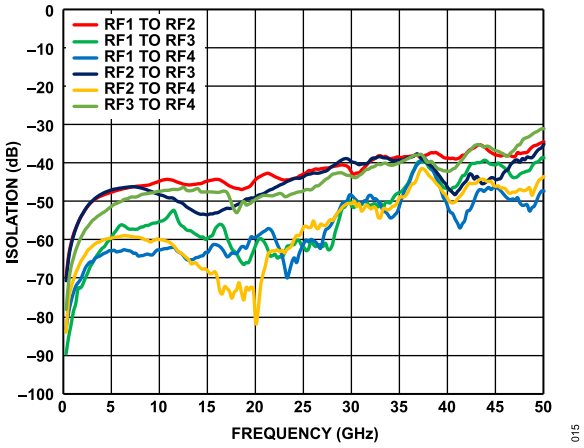

Figure 15. Channel to Channel Isolation vs. Frequency, RFC to RF3 On

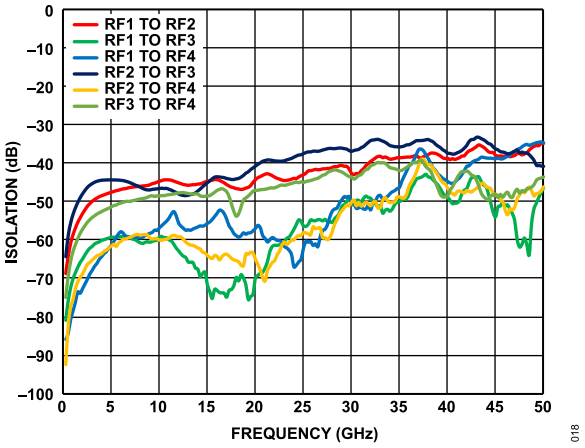

Figure 18. Channel to Channel Isolation vs. Frequency, RFC to RF4 On

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

INPUT POWER COMPRESSION AND THIRD-ORDER INTERCEPT

V_{DD} = +3.3 V, V_{SS} = −3.3 V, V_{CTL} = 0 V or +3.3 V, and T_{CASE} = 25°C on a 50 Ω system, unless otherwise noted. Measured on the evaluation board.

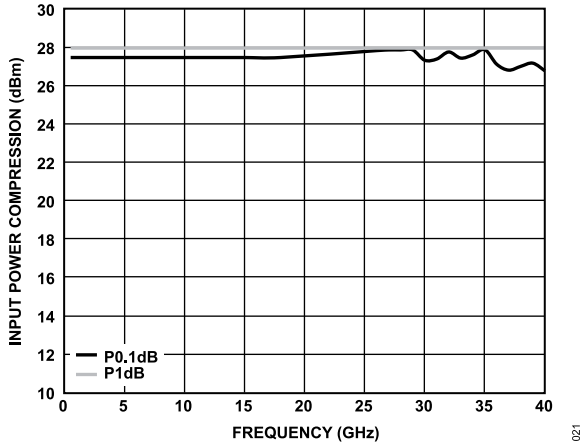

Figure 19. Input Power Compression vs. Frequency

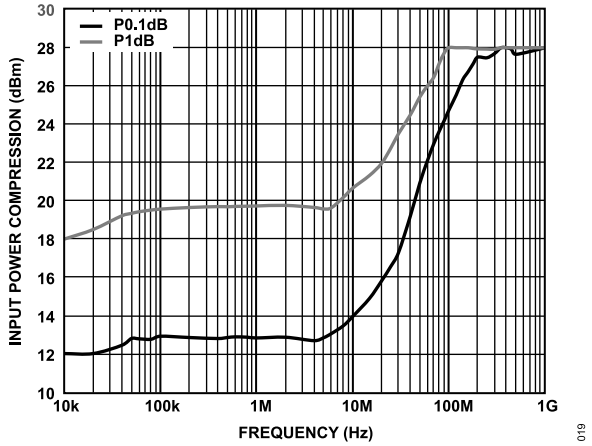

Figure 21. Input Power Compression vs. Frequency, Low Frequency Detail

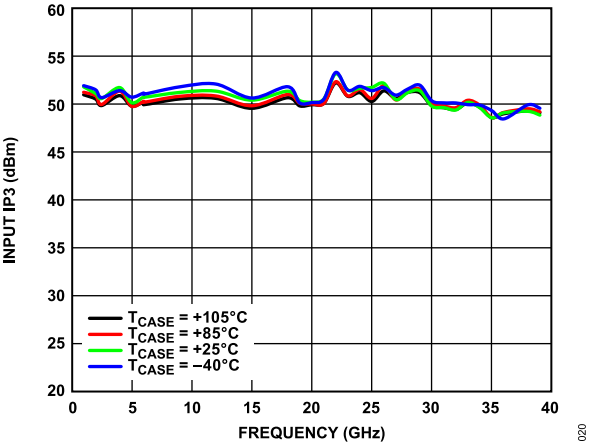

Figure 20. Input IP3 vs. Frequency over Various Temperatures

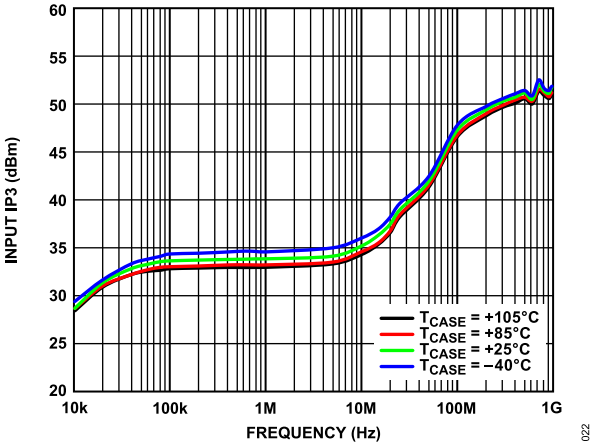

Figure 22. Input IP3 vs. Frequency over Various Temperatures,Low Frequency Detail

THEORY OF OPERATION

The ADRF5046 requires a positive supply voltage applied to the VDD pin and a negative supply voltage applied to the VSS pin. Bypassing capacitors are recommended on the supply lines to minimize RF coupling.

All of the RF ports (RFC, RF1 to RF4) are dc-coupled to 0 V, and no dc blocking is required at the RF ports when the RF line potential is equal to 0 V. The RF ports are internally matched to 50 Ω. Therefore, external matching networks are not required.

The ADRF5046 integrates a driver to perform logic functions internally and to provide the user with the advantage of a simplified CMOS/LVTTL-compatible control interface. The driver features two digital control input pins (V1 and V2) that control the state of the RFx paths. The logic level applied to the V1 and V2 pins determines which RFx port is in the insertion loss state while the other three paths are in the isolation state (see Table 5).

The insertion loss path conducts the RF signal between the selected RF throw port and the RF common port. The switch design is bidirectional with equal power handling capabilities. The RF input signal can be applied to the RFC port or the selected RF throw port. The isolation paths provide high loss between the insertion loss path and the unselected RF throw ports that are reflective.

The ideal power-up sequence is as follows:

1. Connect GND.
2. Power up VDD and VSS. Powering up VSS after VDD avoids current transients on VDD during ramp up.
3. Apply digital control inputs V1 and V2. Applying digital control inputs before VDD supply can inadvertently forward bias and damage the internal ESD protection structures. A series 1 kΩ resistor can be used to limit the current flowing into the control pin in such case. If the control pins are not driven to a valid logic state (i.e. controller output is in high impedance state) after VDD is powered up, it is recommended to use pull up/down resistors.
4. Apply an RF input signal.

The ideal power-down sequence is the reverse order of the power-up sequence.

Table 5. Control Voltage Truth Table

Digital Control Inputs		RFx Paths			
V1	**V2**	**RF1 to RFC**	**RF2 to RFC**	**RF3 to RFC**	**RF4 to RFC**
Low	Low	Insertion loss (on)	Isolation (off)	Isolation (off)	Isolation (off)
High	Low	Isolation (off)	Insertion loss (on)	Isolation (off)	Isolation (off)
Low	High	Isolation (off)	Isolation (off)	Insertion loss (on)	Isolation (off)
High	High	Isolation (off)	Isolation (off)	Isolation (off)	Insertion loss (on)

APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

EVALUATION BOARD

The ADRF5046-EVALZ is a 4-layer evaluation board. The outer copper (Cu) layers are 0.5 oz (0.7 mil) plated to 1.5 oz (2.2 mil) and are separated by dielectric materials. Figure 23 shows the evaluation board stackup.

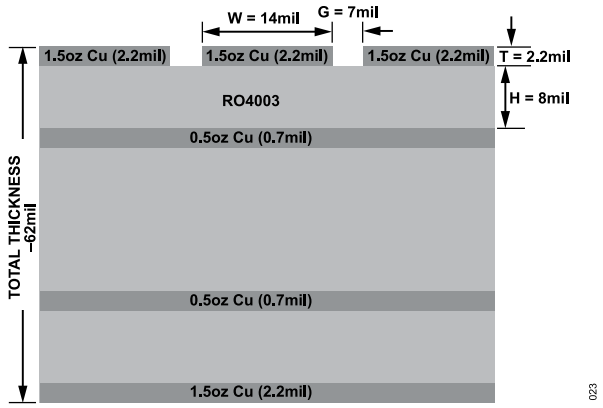

Figure 23. Evaluation Board Cross Sectional View

All RF and dc traces are routed on the top copper layer, whereas the inner and bottom layers are grounded planes that provide a solid ground for the RF transmission lines. The top dielectric material is 8 mil Rogers RO4003, offering optimal high frequency performance. The middle and bottom dielectric materials provide mechanical strength. The total board thickness is 62 mil, which allows 2.4 mm RF launchers to be connected at the board edges. Figure 24 shows the top view of the evaluation board.

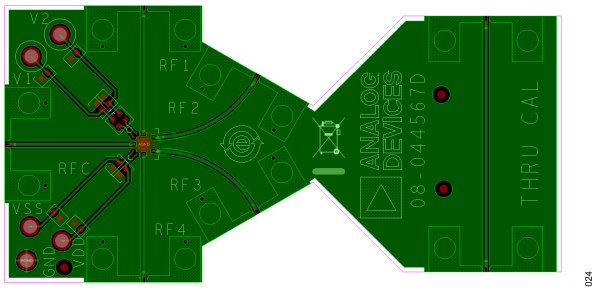

Figure 24. Evaluation Board Layout (Top View)

The RF transmission lines were designed using a coplanar waveguide (CPWG) model, with trace width of 14 mil and ground clearance of 7 mil to have a characteristic impedance of 50 Ω. The RF transmission lines are extended by 8 mil from package edge to the tapered line used for RF pin transition as shown in Figure 25. For optimal RF and thermal grounding, as many plated through vias as possible are arranged around transmission lines and under the exposed pad of the package.

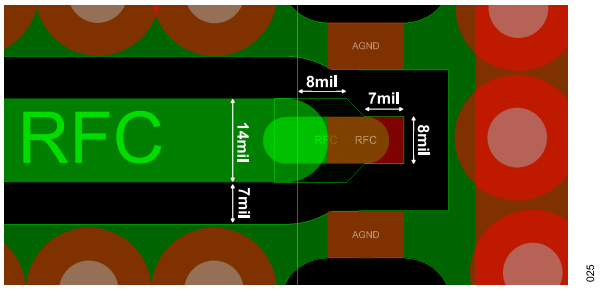

Figure 25. RF Transmission Lines

Two power supply ports are connected to the VDD and VSS test points, control voltages are connected to the V1 and V2 test points, and the ground reference is connected to the GND test point.

On the supply traces, a 100 pF bypass capacitor is used to filter the high frequency noise. Additionally, unpopulated components positions are available for applying extra bypass capacitors.

On the control traces, there are provisions for the resistor capacitor (RC) filter to eliminate dc-coupled noise, if needed, by the application. The resistor can also improve the isolation between the RF and the control signal.

The RF input and output ports (RFC, RF1 to RF4) are connected through 50 Ω transmission lines to the 2.4 mm RF launchers. These high frequency RF launchers are by contact and not soldered onto the board.

A thru calibration line (THRU CAL) connects the unpopulated RF launchers. This transmission line is used to calibrate out the board loss effects from the ADRF5046-EVALZ evaluation board measurements to determine the device performance at the packaged pins. Figure 26 shows the typical board loss at room temperature, the embedded insertion loss, and the de-embedded insertion loss for the ADRF5046.

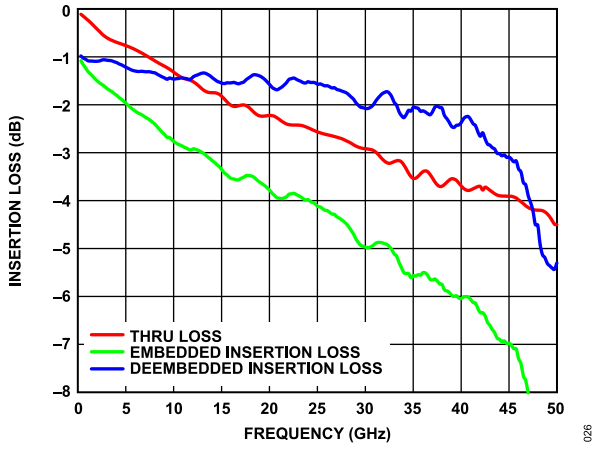

Figure 26. Insertion Loss vs. Frequency

Figure 27 shows the ADRF5046-EVALZ assembly drawing with component placement and Figure 28 shows the schematic.

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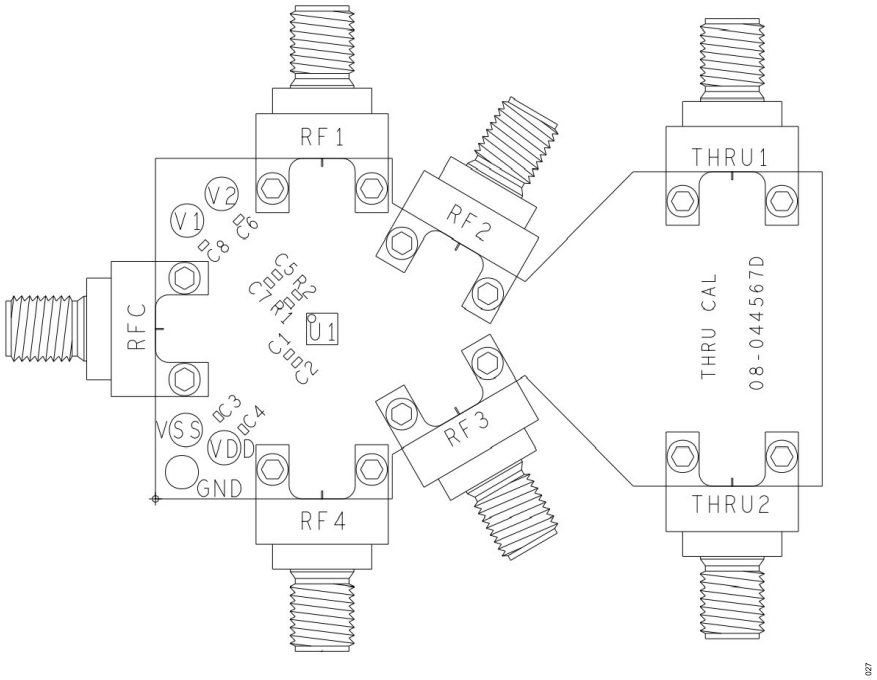

Figure 27. Evaluation Board Assembly Drawing

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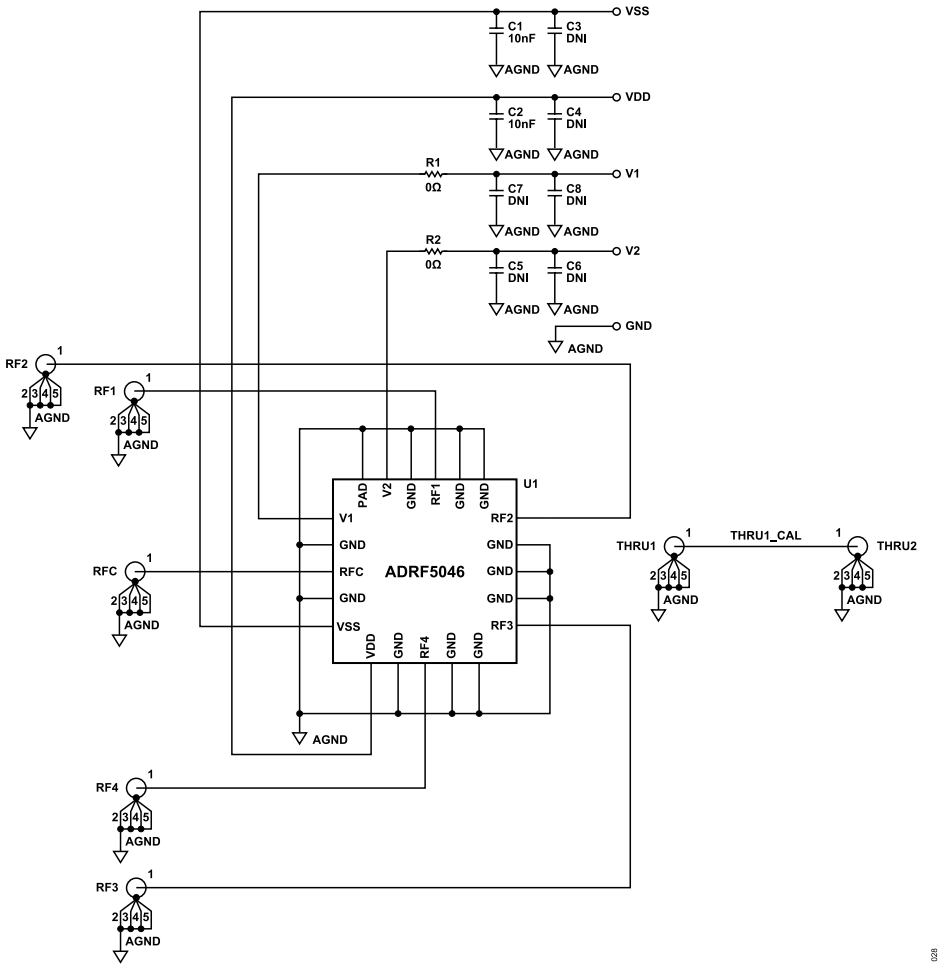

Figure 28. Evaluation Board Schematic

Table 6. Evaluation Board Components

Component	Default Value	Description
C1, C2	10 nF	Capacitors, C0402 package
C3, C4, C5, C7	Not applicable	Capacitors, C0402 package, do not install (DNI)
C6, C8	Not applicable	Capacitors, C0402 package, DNI
RFC, RF1 to RF4	Not applicable	2.4 mm end launch connectors (Southwest Microwave 1492-04A-5)
THRU1, THRU2	Not applicable	2.4 mm end launch connectors, DNI
R1, R2	0 Ω	Resistors, 0402 package
VDD, VSS, V1, V2, GND	Not applicable	Through-hole mount test points
U1	ADRF5046	SP4T switch, Analog Devices®, Inc.
PCB	08-044567D	Evaluation PCB, Analog Devices, Inc.

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PROBE MATRIX BOARD

The probe matrix board uses the same stackup as the evaluation board, but a different layout designed to perform measurements using GSG probes at close proximity to the RF pins. Probing eliminates the mismatch reflections caused by connectors, cables, and board layout. Therefore, the probe matrix board provides more accurate measurement of the device performance than the evaluation board. Figure 29 shows the top view of the probe matrix board layout.

The probe matrix board includes a through reflect line (TRL) calibration kit allowing board loss de-embedding. The actual board duplicates the same layout in matrix form to assemble multiple devices at one time. All s parameters were measured on this board.

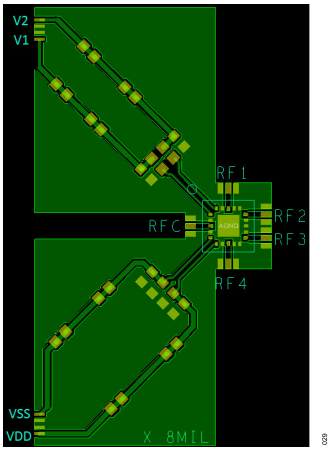

Figure 29. Probe Matrix Board Layout (Top View)

OUTLINE DIMENSIONS

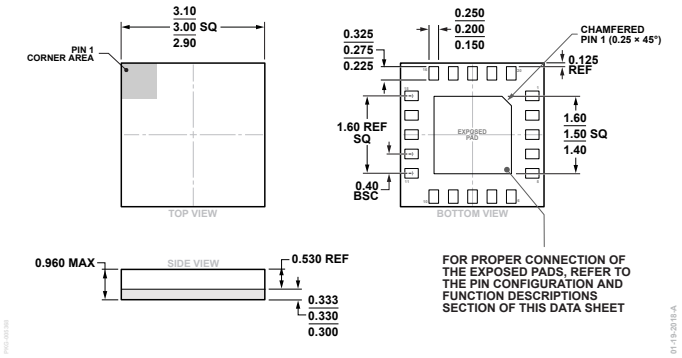

Figure 30. 20-Terminal Land Grid Array [LGA]
(CC-20-6)
Dimensions shown in millimeters

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ORDERING GUIDE

Model[1]	Temperature Range	Package Description	Packing Quantity	Package Option	Marking Code
ADRF5046BCCZN	-40°C to +105°C	20-Lead LGA	Reel, 500	CC-20-6	046
ADRF5046BCCZN-R7	-40°C to +105°C	20-Lead LGA	Reel, 500	CC-20-6	046

[1] Z = RoHS Compliant Part.

EVALUATION BOARDS

Model[1]	Description
ADRF5046-EVALZ	Evaluation Board

[1] Z = RoHS Compliant Part.