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Silicon Bipolar MMIC 2.5 GHz Variable Gain Amplifier

Technical Data

IVA-14208
IVA-14228

Features

- **Differential Input and Output Capability**
- **DC to 2.5 GHz Bandwidth; 3.4 Gbits/s Data Rates**
- **High Gain:** 24 dB Typical
- **Wide Gain Control Range:** 34 dB Typical
- **6 V Bias**
- **5 V V_{GC} Control Range, I_{GC} <3 mA**
- **Fast Gain Response:** <10 nsec Typical
- **IVA-14208:** Low Cost Plastic Surface Mount Package
- **IVA-14228:** Hermetic Ceramic Surface Mount Package

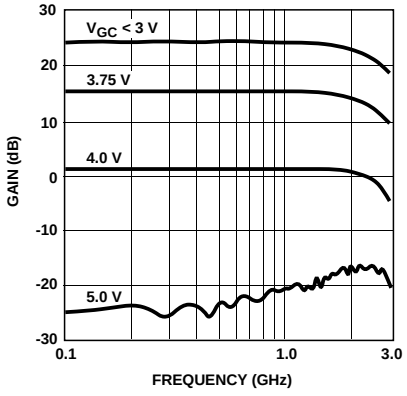


Figure 1. IVA-14228 Typical Variable Gain vs. Frequency and V_{GC} at V_{CC} = 6 V, T_{case} = 25°C.

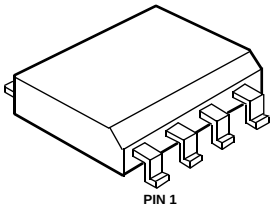
Description

The IVA-14 series MMICs are variable gain amplifiers. The IVA-14208 is housed in a miniature low cost plastic surface mount package. The IVA-14228 is housed in a miniature hermetic ceramic surface mount package. Both devices can be used in any combination of single-ended or differential inputs or outputs (see Functional Block Diagram). The lowest frequency of operation is limited only by the values of user selected blocking and bypass capacitors.

Typical applications include variable gain amplification or limiting for fiber optic systems (e.g. SONET) with data rates up to 3.4 Gbits/s, mobile radio and satellite receivers, millimeter wave receiver IF amplifiers and communications receivers.

The IVA series of variable gain amplifiers is fabricated using Agilent's 10 GHz f_T, 25 GHz f_{MAX} ISOSAT™-1 silicon bipolar process. This process uses nitride self-alignment, submicrometer lithography, trench isolation, ion implantation, gold metallization and polyimide inter-metal dielectric and scratch protection to achieve excellent performance, uniformity and reliability.

IVA-14208
Plastic SO-8 Package



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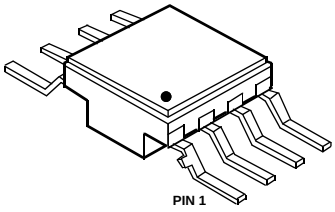
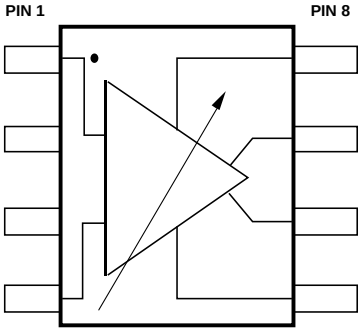
Ceramic '28' Package



Functional Block Diagram and Pin Configuration



PIN DESCRIPTION	
1. INPUT +	8. V_{GC}
2. V_{EE}, AC GROUND	7. OUTPUT +
3. V_{EE}, AC GROUND	6. OUTPUT –
4. INPUT –	5. V_{CC}

IVA-14228 PACKAGE BOTTOM IS V_{EE} AC GROUND.

IVA-14208, -14228 Absolute Maximum Ratings[1]

Symbol	Parameter	Units	IVA-14208	IVA-14228
V_{CC}-V_{EE}	Device Voltage, T_{case} = 25°C	Volts	12	12
P_{in}	Input Power, T_{case} = 25°C	dBm	13	13
V_{GC}-V_{EE}	Control Voltage, T_{case} = 25°C	Volts	10	10
T_i	Junction Temperature+	°C	150	200
T_{stg}	Storage Temperature	°C	-65 to +150	-65 to +200
P_t	Total Device Dissipation	mW	1000[2]	1000[3]

Thermal Resistance:

IVA-14208 Thermal Resistance Junction to Case[4]: θ_{jc} = 68°C/W
IVA-14228 Thermal Resistance Junction to Case[4]: θ_{jc} = 63°C/W

Notes:
1. Operation in excess of any one of these conditions may result in permanent damage to the device.
2. T_{case} = 25°C. Derate at 14.7 mW/°C for T_{case} > 82°C.
3. T_{case} = 25°C. Derate at 15.9 mW/°C for T_{case} > 137°C.
4. T_j = 150°C.

IVA-14208, -14228 Guaranteed Electrical Specifications All measurements reflect single-ended (unbalanced) performance. T_{case} = 25°C. V_{CC} = 6 V, V_{EE} = 0 V, V_{GC} = 0 V, Z_L = 50 Ω

Symbol	Parameter	Units	IVA-14208			IVA-14228		
			Min.	Typ.	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.
GP	Power Gain ($\|S_{21}\|^2$), f = 1 GHz	dB	20	24		22	24	
ΔGP	Gain Flatness, f = 0.05 to 2 GHz	dB		±1.2			±0.7	
f_{3dB}	3 dB Bandwidth	GHz	2.0	2.5		2.2	2.5	
GCR	Gain Control Range[2], f = 1 GHz, V_{GC} = 0 to 5 V	dB	30	34		30	34	
ISO	Reverse Isolation ($\|S_{12}\|^2$), f = 1 GHz, V_{GC} = 0 to 5 V	dB		37			40	
VSWR	Input VSWR, f = 0.05 to 2.0 GHz, V_{GC} = 0 to 5 V			2:1			2:1	
	Output VSWR, f = 0.05 to 2.0 GHz, V_{GC} = 0 to 5 V			2:1			2.5:1	
NF	50 Ω Noise Figure, f = 1 GHz	dB		9.0			9.0	
P_{1dB}	Output Power at 1 dB Gain, Compression f = 1 GHz	dBm		-2.0			-2.0	
V_{OUT}	Pk-Pk Single-ended Output Voltage, f = 1 GHz	mVpp		450			450	
IP_3	Third Order Intercept Point, f = 1 GHz	dBm		8			8	
t_D	Group Delay, f = 1 GHz	psec		450			450	
I_{cc}	Supply Current	mA	28	38	48	28	38	48

Notes:
1. The recommended operating voltage range for these devices is 5 to 8 V. Typical performance as a function of voltage is shown in the graphs on the following pages.
2. The recommended gain control range for these devices for dynamic control is 0 to 4.2 V. Operation at gain control settings above 4.2 V may result in gain control increase rather than gain decrease. See figures 4 and 19.

IVA-14228 Typical Performance Curves

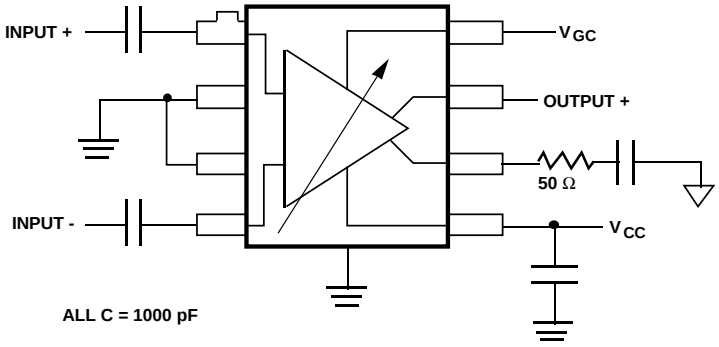


Figure 2. IVA-142X8 Connection Diagram Showing Balanced Inputs and Unbalanced Outputs. Inputs and Outputs May Be Either Balanced or Unbalanced.

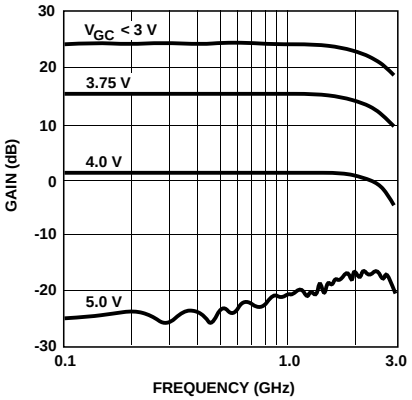


Figure 3. IVA-14228 Gain vs. Frequency and V_{GC}; V_{CC} = 6 V, T_{case} = 25°C.

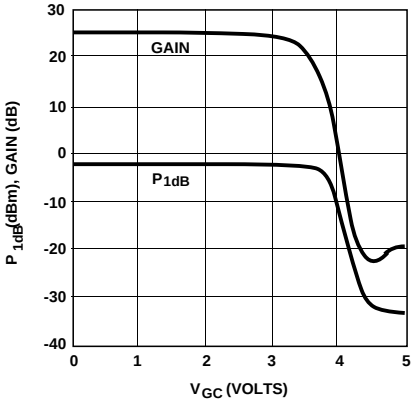
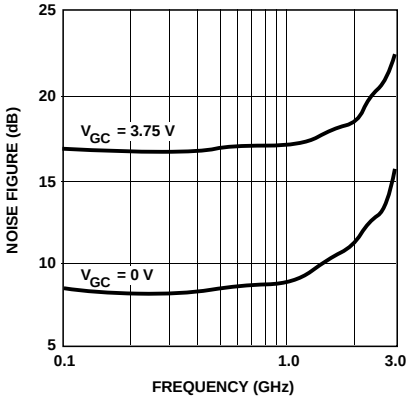


Figure 4. IVA-14228 P_{1dB} and Gain vs. V_{GC}; V_{CC} = 6 V, T_{case} = 25°C.



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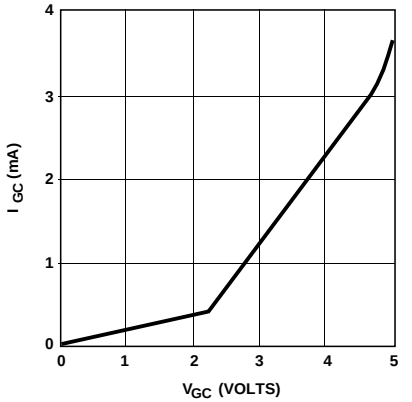

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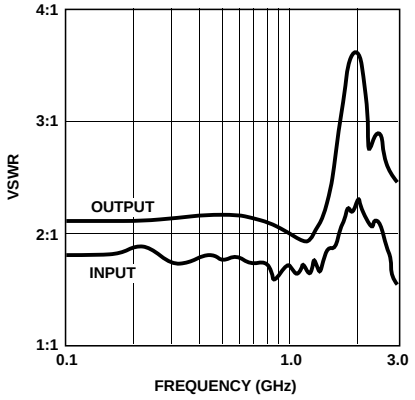


Figure 7. IVA-14228 VSWR vs. Frequency; V_{CC} = 6 V, V_{GC} = 0 V, T_{case} = 25°C.

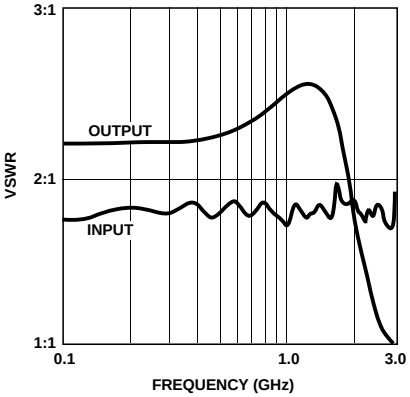


Figure 8. IVA-14228 VSWR vs. Frequency; V_{CC} = 6 V, V_{GC} = 5 V, T_{case} = 25°C.

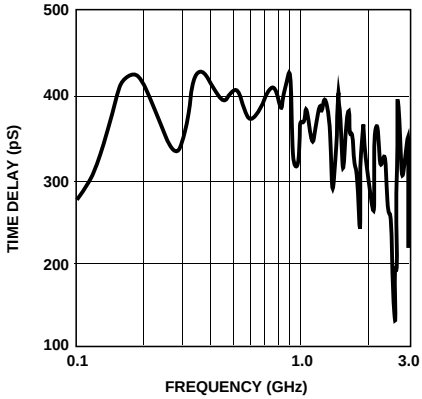


Figure 9. IVA-14228 Group Delay vs. Frequency; V_{GC} = 0 V, V_{CC} = 6 V, T_{case} = 25°C.

IVA-14228 Typical Performance Curves (cont.)

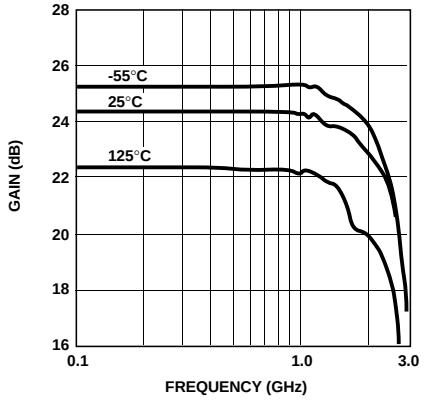
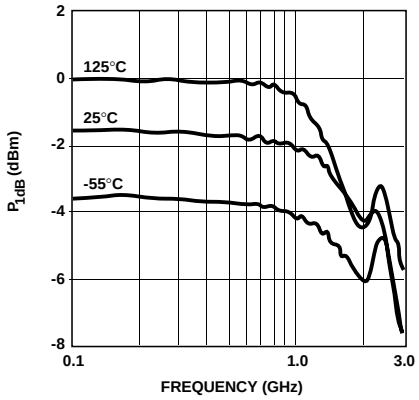


Figure 10. IVA-14228 Gain vs. Frequency and Temperature; V_{CC} = 6 V, V_{GC} = 0 V.



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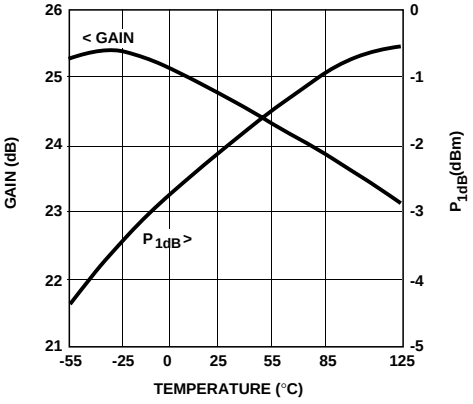
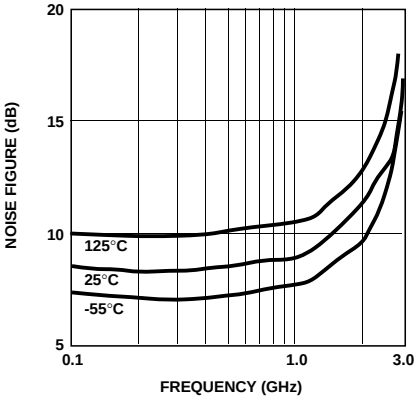


Figure 12. IVA-14228 Gain and P_{1dB} vs. Temperature; V_{CC} = 6 V, V_{GC} = 0 V, Frequency = 1 GHz.



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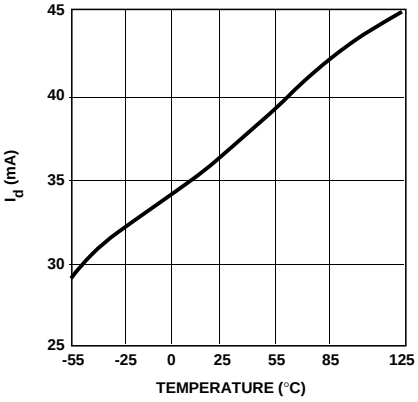

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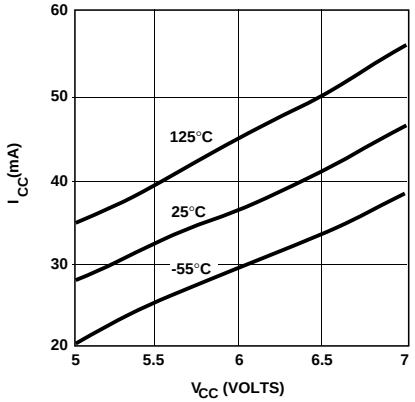

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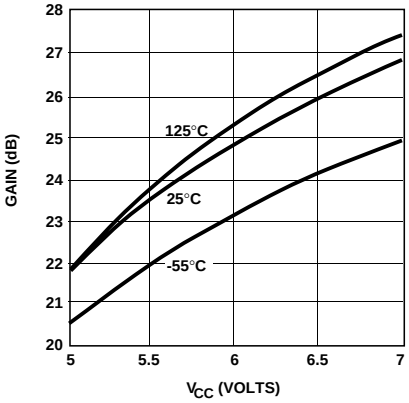

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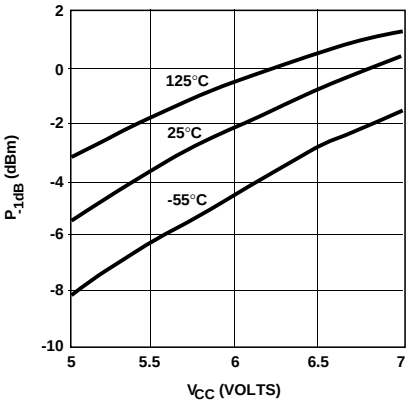

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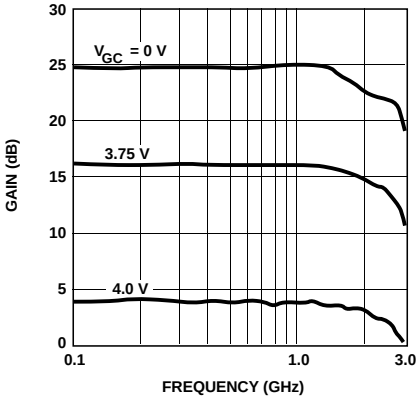

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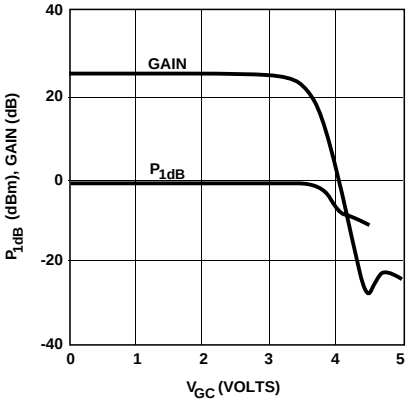

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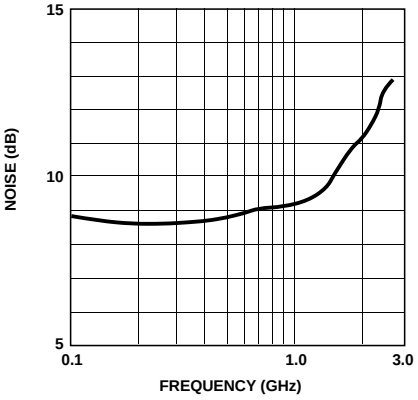

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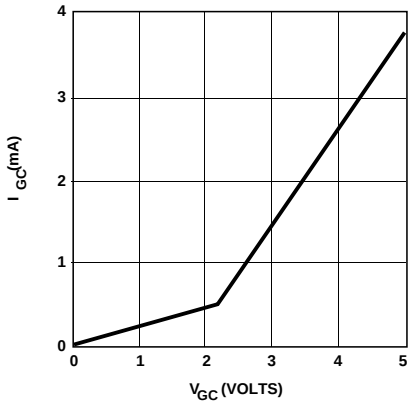

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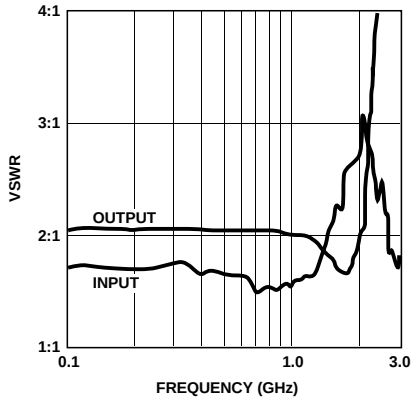

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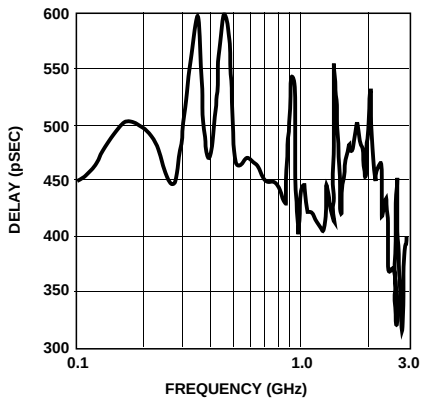

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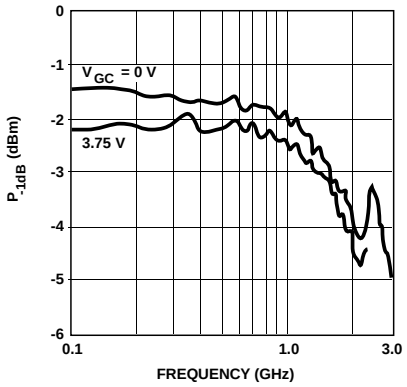
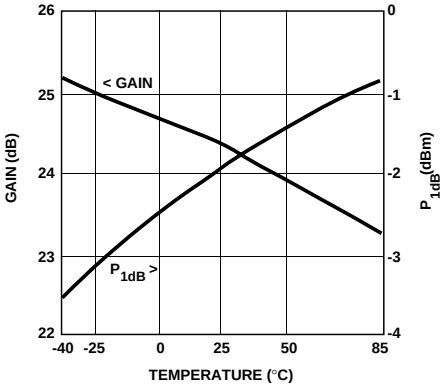


Figure 24. IVA-14208 P_{1dB} vs. Frequency and V_{GC}; V_{CC} = 6 V, Frequency = 1 GHz, T_{case} = 25°C.



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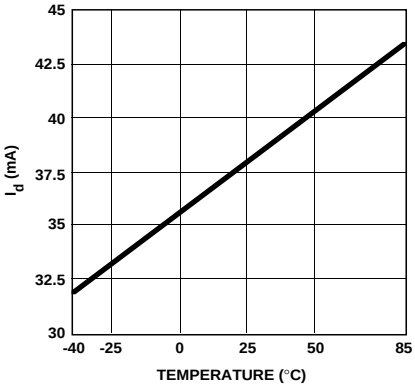

Figure 26. IVA-14208 I_{CC} vs. Temperature; V_{CC} = 6 V, V_{GC} = 0 V.

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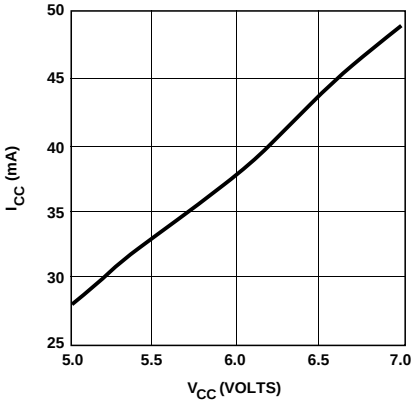

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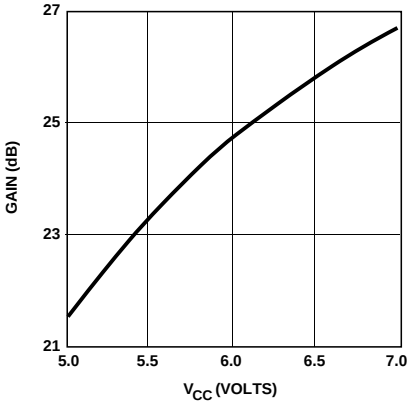

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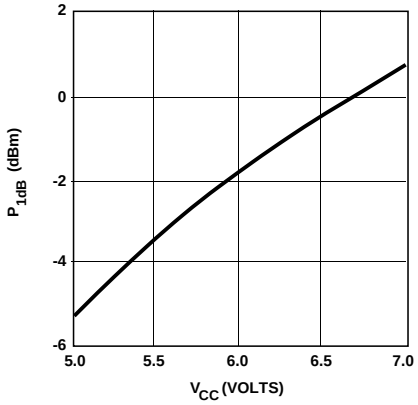

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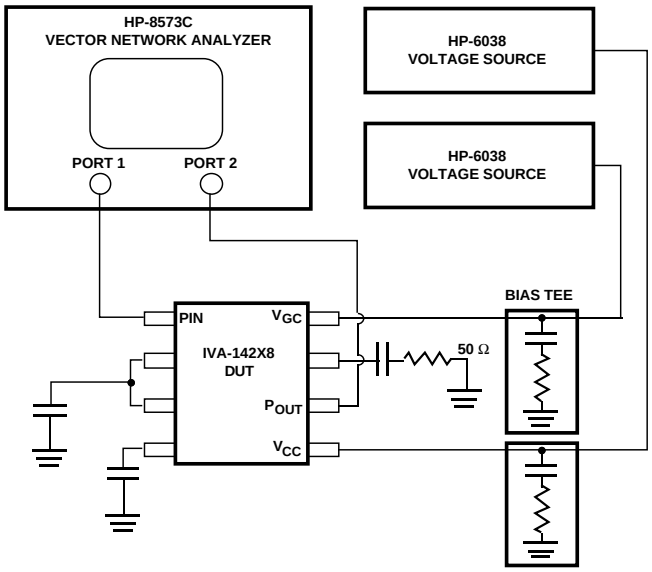
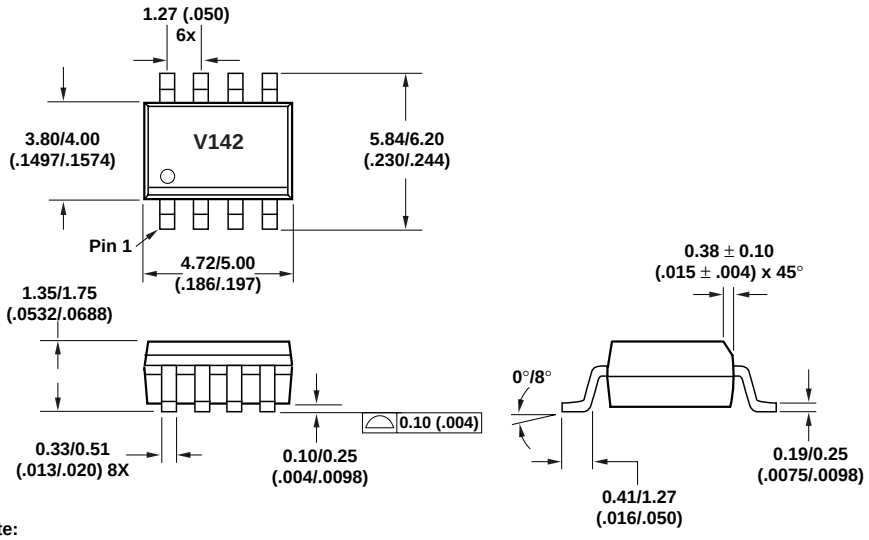


Figure 30. Test Equipment Setup for Measuring Performance of the IVA-142X8.

IVA-14208, -14228 Part Number Ordering Information

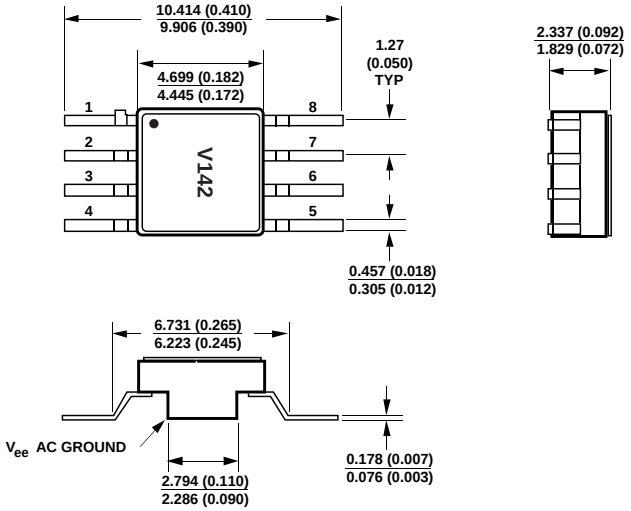
Part Number	Container Type	Qty. per Container
IVA-14208-STR	Strip	1
IVA-14208-TR1	7" Reel	1000
IVA-14228-STR	BIP Strip	1

SO-8 Package Dimensions for IVA-14208



Note:
1. Dimensions are shown in millimeters (inches).

28 Package Dimensions for IVA-14228



NOTES:
1. DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS (INCHES).
2. CONTROLLING DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES.

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