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# **HMC-C028**

WIDEBAND VCO w/ BUFFER AMPLIFIER MODULE, 4 - 8 GHz

Features

Wide Tuning Bandwidth

High Output Power: +20 dBm

No External Resonator Needed

Field Replaceable SMA Connectors

**General Description** 

Controlled

high output power.

-40°C to +85°C Operating Temperature

Low SSB Phase Noise: -95 dBc/Hz @100 kHz

Single Positive Supply: +8 to +15V @ 185 mA **RoHS Compliant Hermetically Sealed Module** 

The HMC-C028 is a wideband GaAs InGaP Voltage

resonator, negative resistance device, and varactor diode. An internal voltage regulator provides excellent

0.2 MHz/V frequency pushing while the output buffer amplifier boosts output power to +20 dBm; which

is enough to drive one or two mixers. Phase noise

performance is excellent over temperature due to the oscillator's monolithic construction. The Vtune port

accepts an analog tuning voltage from 0 to +18V. The HMC-C028 VCO operates from a single +8V to +15V supply, and is housed in a hermetically sealed module. This wideband VCO uniquely combines the attributes

of small size, low phase noise, wide tuning range and

incorporates

the

Oscillator which



#### Typical Applications

The HMC-C028 VCO Module is ideal for:

- Industrial/Medical Equipment
- Test & Measurement Equipment
- Military Radar, EW & ECM
- Lab Instrumentation

#### **Functional Diagram**



#### Electrical Specifications, $T_A = +25^{\circ}$ C, Vdc = +12V

Deremeter	Min.	Tun	Max.	Min.	Tur	Max.	Units
Parameter	IVIII1.	Тур.	wax.	IVIII.	Тур.	Iviax.	Units
Frequency Range	4.0 - 8.0		5.0 - 8.0			GHz	
Power Output	13	15		17	20		dBm
SSB Phase Noise @ 100 kHz Offset		-95			-95		dBc/Hz
SSB Phase Noise @ 10 kHz Offset		-75			-75		dBc/Hz
Tune Voltage (Vtune)	0		18	3		18	V
Supply Current (Idc) (Vdc = +12V)		185			185		mA
Tune Port Leakage Current (Vtune = +15V)			10			10	μA
Output Return Loss		15			15		dB
2nd Harmonic		-10			-10		dBc
Pulling (into a 2.0:1 VSWR)		1			1		MHz pp
Pushing @ Vtune= +5V		0.2			0.2		MHz/V
Frequency Drift Rate		0.8			0.8		MHz/°C

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Sensitivity vs. Tuning Voltage, Vcc = +12V



SSB Phase Noise vs. Tuning Voltage





**Output Power vs.** Tuning Voltage, Vcc = +12V



Typical SSB Phase Noise @ Vtune = +12V





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## **Outline Drawing**



#### **Package Information**

Package Type	C-1	
Package Weight <sup>[1]</sup>	10.2 gms <sup>[2]</sup>	
Spacer Weight	N/A	

[1] Includes the connectors

[2] ±1 gms Tolerance

#### NOTES:

- 1. PACKAGE, LEADS, COVER MATERIAL: KOVAR™
- 2. BRACKET MATERIAL: ALUMINUM.
- 3. PLATING: ELECTROLYTIC GOLD 50 MICROINCHES MIN., OVER ELECTROLYTIC NICKEL 75 MICROINCHES MIN.
- 4. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES [MILLIMETERS].
- 5. TOLERANCES: ±.010 [0.25] UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.
- 6. MARK LOT NUMBER ON LABEL WHERE SHOWN,

WITH .030" MIN TEXT HEIGHT.



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#### **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Vdc	-0.3 Vdc to +25 Vdc
Vtune	0 to +22V
Storage Temperature	-65 to +150 °C
Operating Temperature	-40 to +85 °C

#### **Pin Descriptions**

Pin Number	Function	Description	Interface Schematic	
1	RFOUT	RF output (AC coupled) uses a female SMA connector.		
2	Vdc	Supply Voltage Vdc = +8V to +15V.	VDC O	
3	VTUNE	Control Voltage and Modulation Input uses a female SMA connector. Modulation bandwidth dependent on drive source impedance. See "Determining the FM Bandwidth of a Wideband Varactor Tuned VCO" appli- cation note.	VTUNE 750 $\cap$ $\downarrow$ $\downarrow$ $4pF$ $\downarrow$ $5.0pF$	
4	GND	Must be connected to power supply ground.		