

Power Amplifier, 6 W 27 - 31 GHz



MAPC-MP0013-DIE

Rev. V1P

Features

- Ka-Band Power Amplifier
- Gain: 25 dB
- Output Power: 6 W
- Supply Voltage: 22 V
- PAE: 27%
- Bare Die
- Die Size: 3.275 x 1.75 x 0.1 mm

Applications

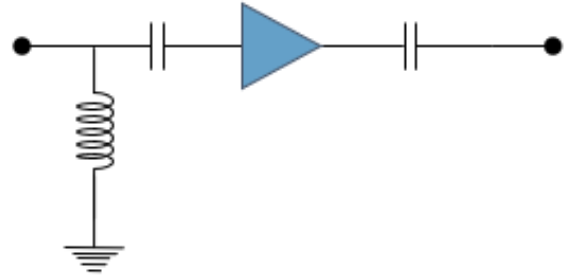
- Ka-band Satellite Communications

Description

The MAPC-MP0013-DIE is a 6 W, Ka-band power amplifier. This GaN on SiC power amplifier operates at 22 V and has a typical power added efficiency of 27%. Typical applications include Ka-band satellite communications.

Each device is 100% RF tested to ensure performance compliance.

Functional Schematic



Pin Configuration¹

Pin #	Label
1	RF _{IN}
2, 6, 10, 11, 13, 14, 18, 22, 23	GND
3	VG3, VG4
4, 19, 20	NC
5	VD1
7	VD2
8	VD3
9	VD4
12	RF _{OUT}
15	VD4
16	VD3
17	VD2
21	VG1234

1. The backside of the die must be connected to RF, DC and thermal ground.

Ordering Information

Part Number	Package
MAPC-MP0013-DIEPPR	Bulk
MAPC-MP0013-SB1PPR	Sample Board

* Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, compliant to current RoHS EU directive.

Pin Description

Pin #	Name	Description
1	RF_IN	RF Input has DC ground for ESD robustness
2, 6, 10, 11, 13, 14, 18, 22, 23	GND	RF and DC Ground
3	VG3, VG4	No connection to circuit, isolated capacitor to ground
4, 19	NC	No connection to circuit
5	VD1	Drain voltage, stage 1
7, 17	VD2	Drain voltage, stage 2
8, 16	VD3	Drain voltage, stage 3
9, 15	VD4	Drain voltage, stage 4
12	RF_OUT	RF Output is DC de-coupled
20	NC	No connection to circuit, isolated ESD diodes that may be bonded in to protect VG1234
21	VG1234	Gate voltage, stages 1, 2, 3, and 4

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Electrical Specifications:

Freq. = 27 - 31 GHz, $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$, $V_D = +22\text{ V}$, $I_{DQ} = 190\text{ mA}$, CW Operation, $Z_0 = 50\ \Omega$

Parameter	Test Conditions	Units	Min.	Typ.	Max.
Gain	Small Signal, $P_{IN} = -10\text{ dBm}$ Large Signal, $P_{IN} = +21\text{ dBm}$	dB	—	25 17	—
Gain Flatness (Peak-to-Peak)	$P_{IN} = -10\text{ dBm}$	dB	—	1	—
IM3	$P_{OUT} = 31\text{ dBm}$ per tone, spacing 100 kHz to 1 GHz	dBc	—	25	—
Output Power	$P_{IN} = +21\text{ dBm}$	dBm	—	38	—
Output Power Flatness	$P_{IN} = +21\text{ dBm}$	dB	—	2	—
Input Return Loss	$P_{IN} = -10\text{ dBm}$	dB	—	8	—
Output Return Loss	$P_{IN} = -10\text{ dBm}$	dB	—	10	—
Power Added Efficiency	$P_{IN} = +21\text{ dBm}$	%	—	27	—

Recommended Operating Conditions

Parameter	Symbol	Unit	Min.	Typ.	Max.
RF Input Power	RF _{IN}	dBm	—	21	25
Drain Supply Voltage	VD	V	—	22	25
Gate Supply Voltage	VG	V	-5	—	—
Duty Cycle	-	%	—	10	100 (CW)
Junction Temperature ^{4,5}	T _J	°C	—	—	200
Operating Temperature ⁶	T _C	°C	-40	—	85
Storage Temperature	T _S	°C	-55	—	150

Absolute Maximum Ratings^{2,3}

Parameter	Symbol	Unit	Min.	Max.
RF Input Power	RF _{IN}	dBm	—	28
Drain Supply Voltage	VD	V	—	28
Gate Supply Voltage	VG	V	-6	—
Junction Temperature	T _J	°C	—	225
Storage Temperature	T _S	°C	-55	150

2. Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.
3. MACOM does not recommend sustained operation near these survivability limits.
4. Operating at nominal conditions with T_J ≤ +200 °C will ensure MTTF > 1 x 10⁶ hours.
5. Junction Temperature (T_J) = T_C + Θ_{JC} * (V * I - (P_{OUT} - P_{IN}))
 Typical thermal resistance (Θ_{JC}) = 5.2 °C/W.
 a) For T_C = +25°C, P_{out} = 38 dBm, P_{in} = 21 dBm:
 T_J = 119 °C @ 22 V, 1.1 A
 b) For T_C = +85°C, quiescent conditions:
 T_J = 179 °C @ 22 V, 1.1 A
6. T_C is defined as backside of die.

Handling Procedures

Please observe the following precautions to avoid damage:

Static Sensitivity

These electronic devices are sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD) and can be damaged by static electricity. Proper ESD control techniques should be used when handling these devices.

Application Notes

MAPC-MP0013-DIE is designed to be easy to use yet high performance. The ultra small size and simple bias allows easy placement on system board. RF output ports are DC de-coupled internally. RF input port has DC connection to the ground for the ESD protection purpose.

Supply Sequencing

Turn-on

1. Apply V_G (-5 V).
2. Apply V_D (22 V typical).
3. Set I_{DQ} by adjusting V_G more positive (typically $V_G \sim -3.9$ V for $I_{DQ} = 190$ mA).
4. Apply RF_{IN} signal.

Turn-off

1. Remove RF_{IN} signal.
2. Decrease V_G to -5 V.
3. Decrease V_D to 0 V.

Die Attachment

This product is manufactured from 0.1 mm (0.004") thick SiC substrate and has vias through to the backside to enable grounding to the circuit.

Recommended conductive epoxy is Namics Unimec XH9890-6. Epoxy should be applied and cured in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications and should avoid contact with the top of the die.

Biasing Conditions

Recommended biasing conditions are:

$V_D = 22$ V, $I_{DQ} = 190$ mA (controlled with V_G).

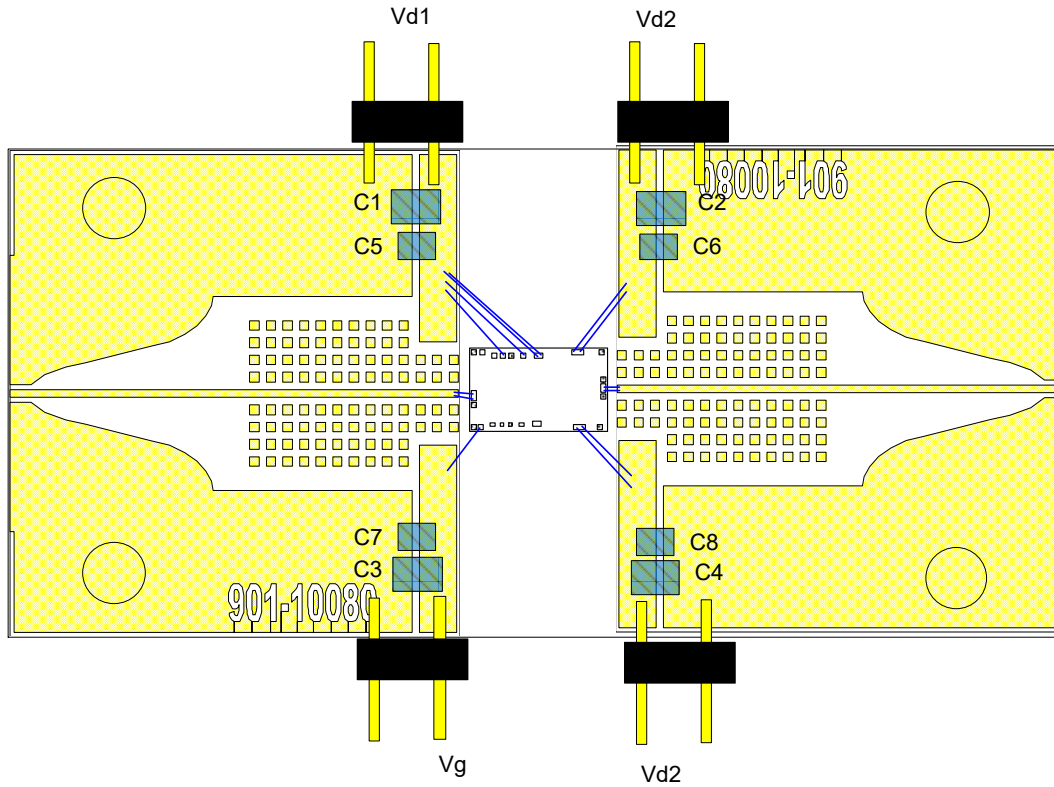
V_D bias must be applied to V_{D1} , V_{D2} , V_{D3} , and V_{D4} pads.

Both V_{D3} pads (8, 16) are required for current symmetry.

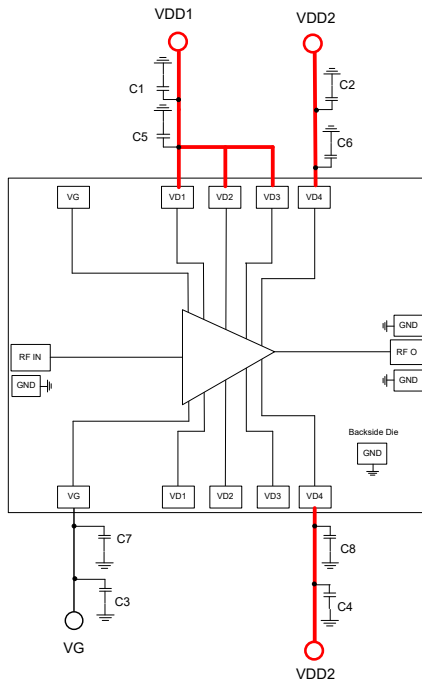
Both V_{D4} pads (9, 15) are required for current symmetry.

A single DC voltage (V_G) will bias all amplifier stages. Muting can be accomplished by setting the V_G to the pinched off voltage ($V_G = -5$ V).

Sample Board Layout



Application Schematic



Parts List

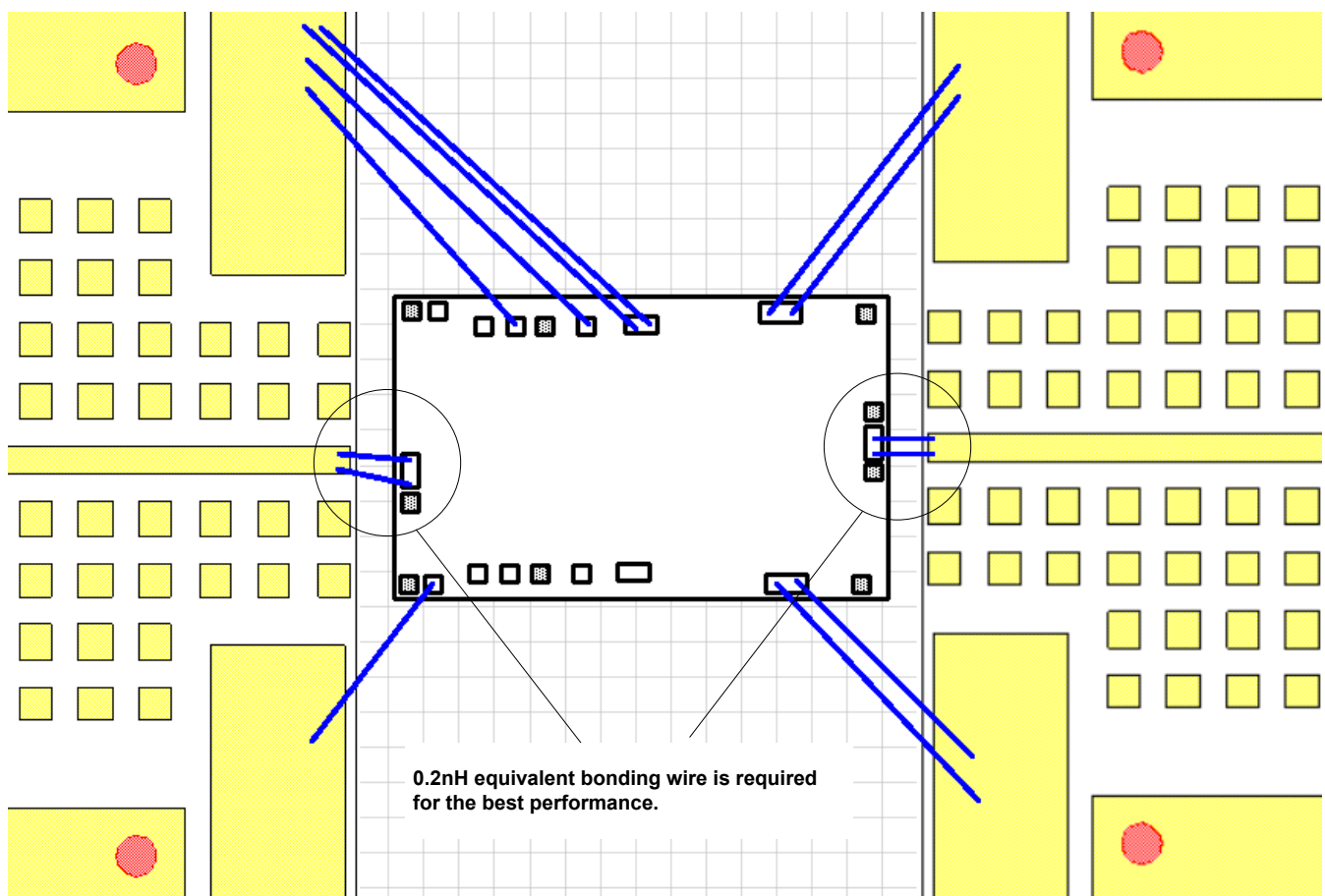
Part	Value	Case Style
C5 - C8	0.01 μ F	0402
C1 - C4	22 μ F	0603

Sample Board Material Specifications

Top Layer: 1/2 oz Copper Cladding, 0.017 mm thickness
Dielectric Layer: Rogers RO4350B 0.101 mm thickness
Bottom Layer: 1/2 oz Copper Cladding, 0.017 mm thickness
Finished overall thickness: 0.135 mm

Recommended Bonding Diagram and PCB Layout Detail:

Optimum bonding wire inductance for the RF I/O connection is 0.2 nH, and physical length for the gold bond wire (.001" dia.) is approximately 350 μ m each for the two wire connection.



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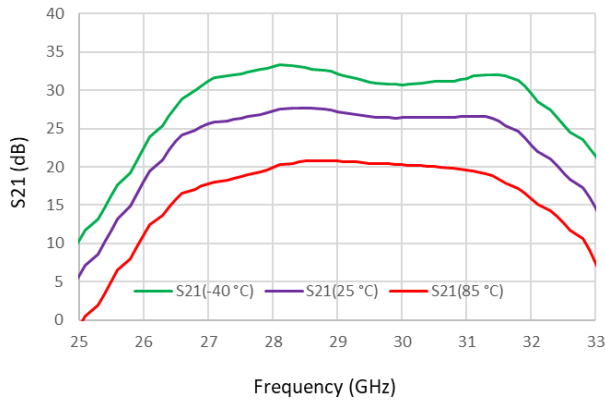


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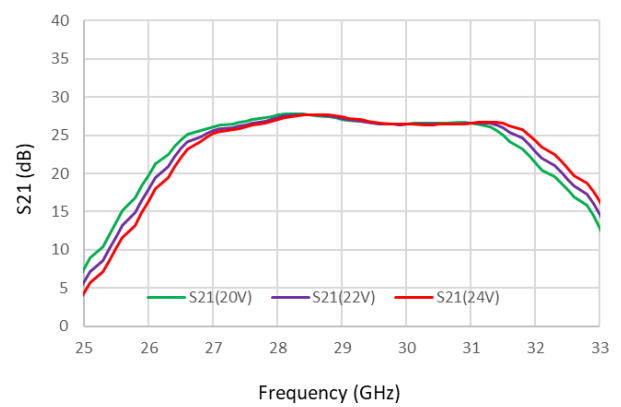
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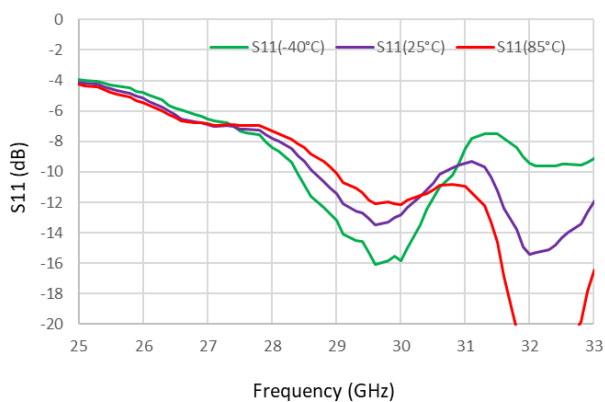
Small Signal Gain vs. Frequency over Temperature



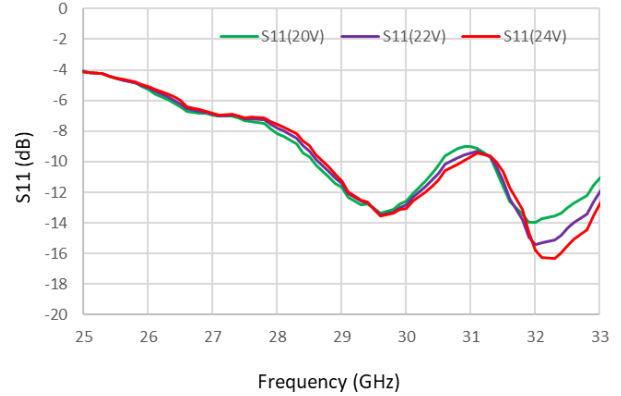
Small Signal Gain vs. Frequency over Bias Voltage



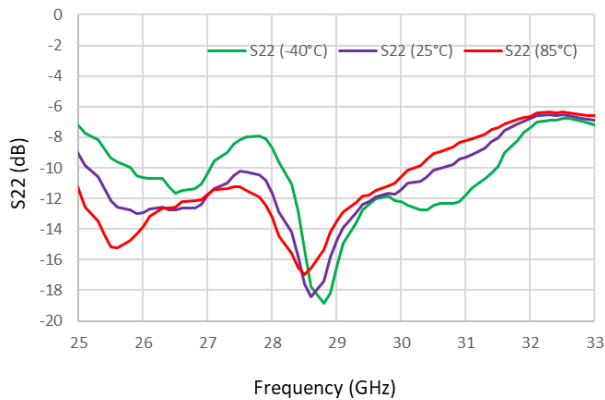
Input Return Loss vs. Frequency over Temperature



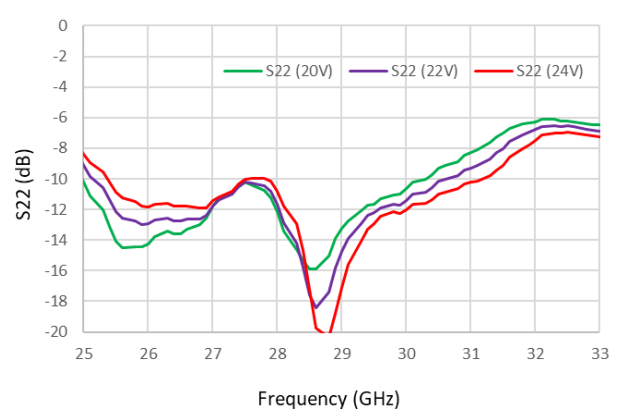
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Output Return Loss vs. Frequency over Temperature



Output Return Loss vs. Frequency over Bias Voltage



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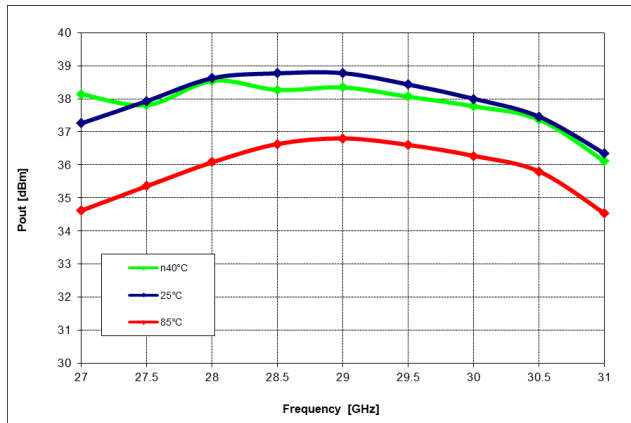


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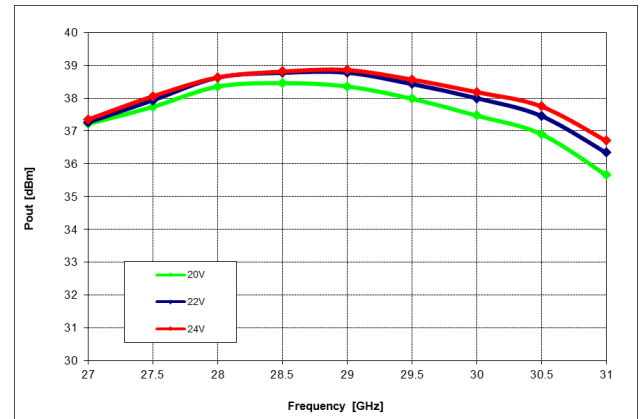
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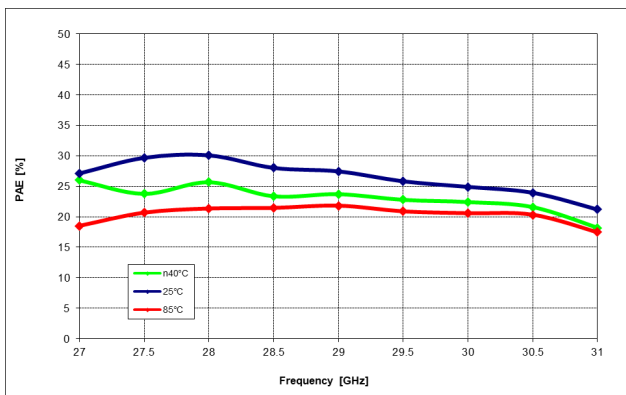
P_{out} vs. Frequency over Temperature



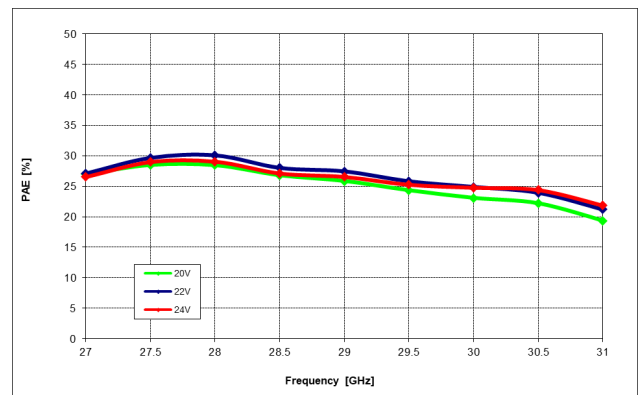
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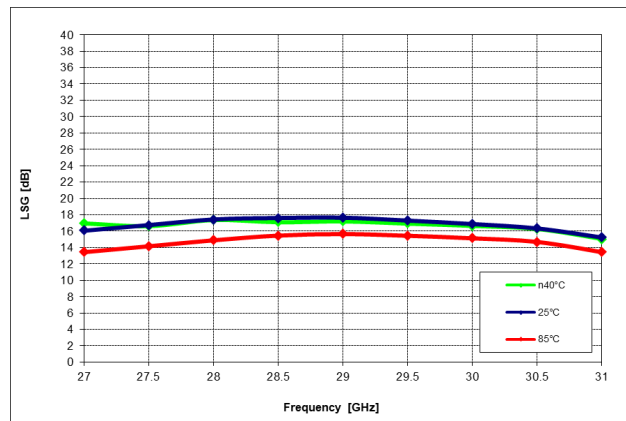
PAE vs. Frequency over Temperature



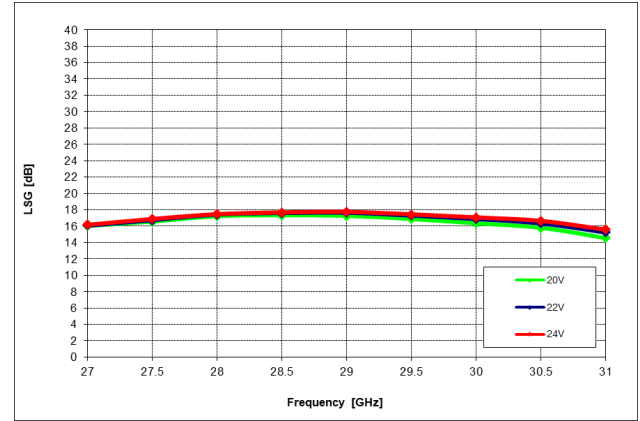
PAE vs. Frequency over Bias Voltage



Large Signal Gain vs. Frequency over Temperature

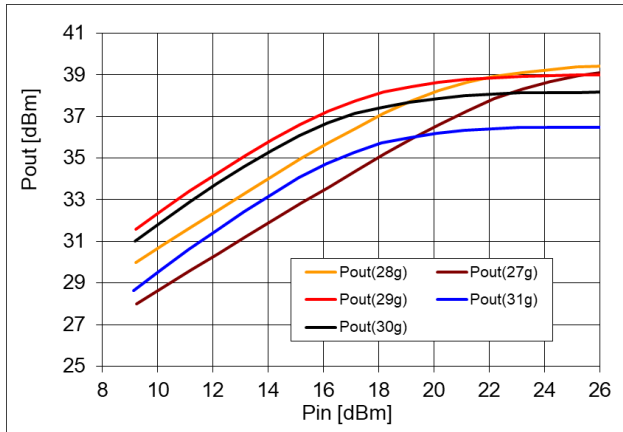


Large Signal Gain vs. Frequency over Bias Voltage

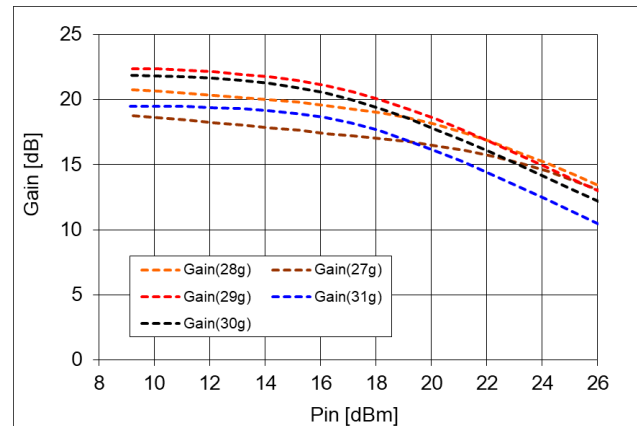


Typical Performance Curves: $V_D = 22\text{ V}$, $I_{DSQ} = 190\text{ mA}$, $V_G = -3.9\text{ V}$ typical, 25°C

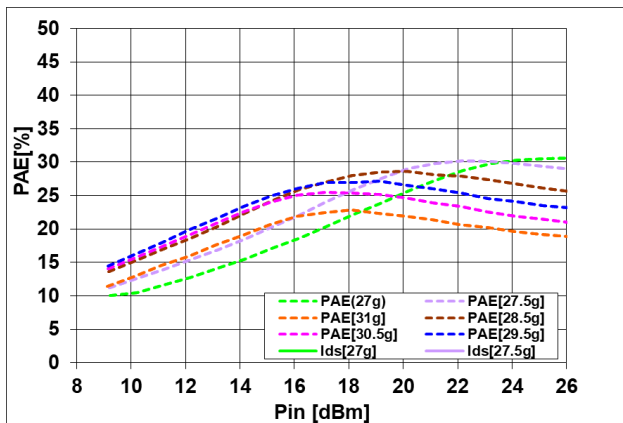
Output Power vs. Input Power at 25°C



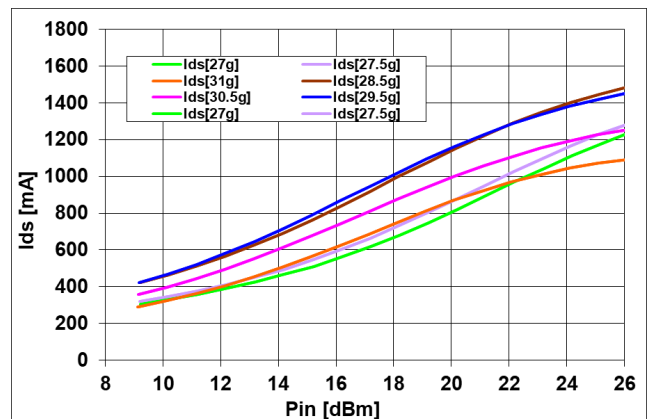
Gain vs. Input Power at 25°C



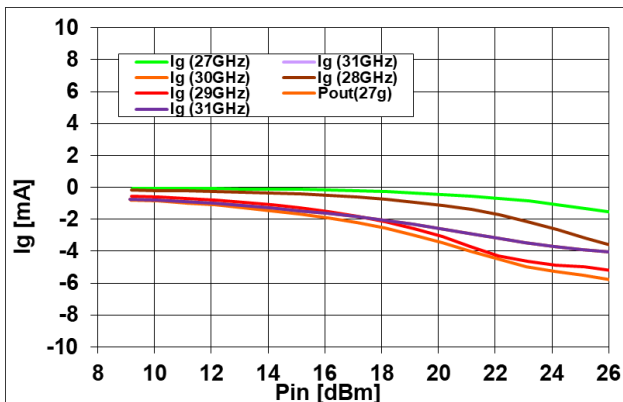
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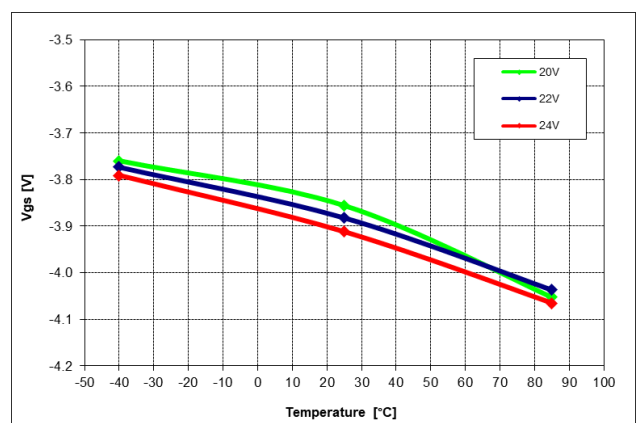
Drain Current vs. Input Power at 25°C



Gate Current vs. Input Power at 25°C

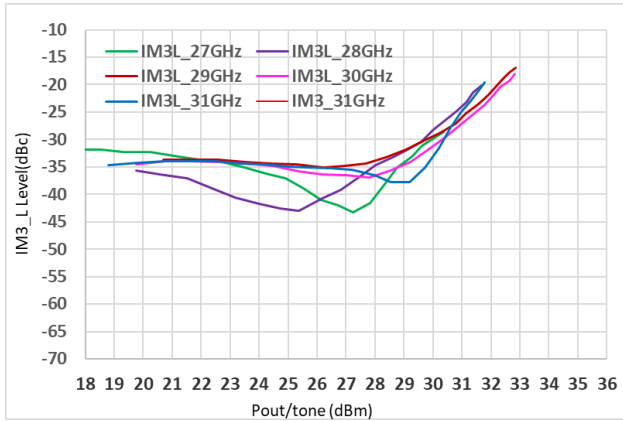


Gate Voltage vs. Temperature for Constant I_{dsq}

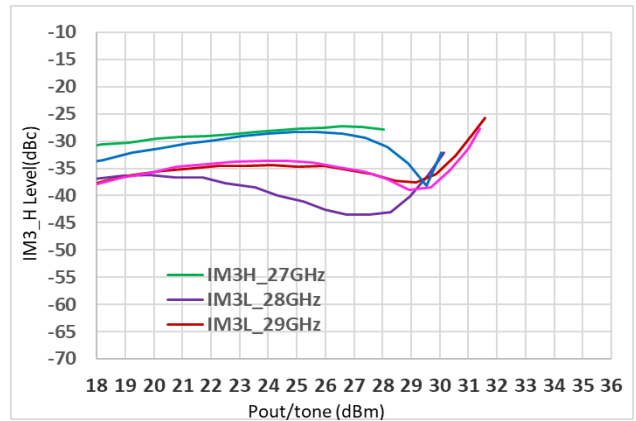


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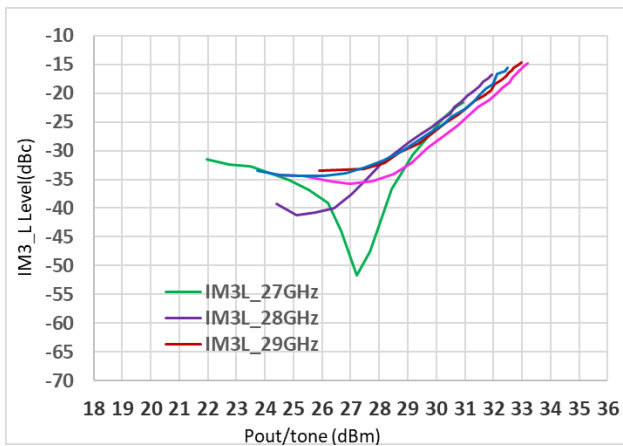
IM3 vs. Output Power (25 °C)



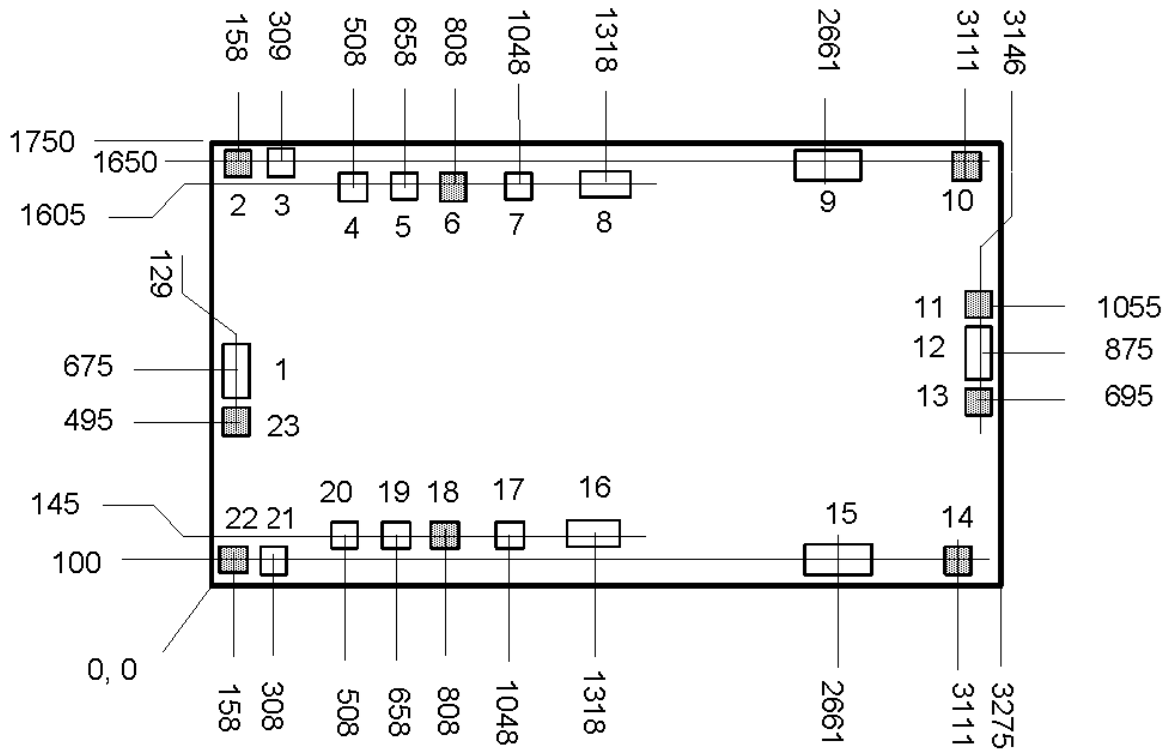
IM3 vs. Output Power @ 85 °C



IM3 vs. Output Power (-40 °C)



Die Dimensions



Die thickness is 100 +/- 10 µm.

Revision history

Rev	Date	Change description
V1P	1/31/23	Release of preliminary data sheet

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