

Power Amplifier, 0.5 W 20 - 55 GHz



MAAP-011378

Rev. V1

Features

- High Gain: 22 dB
- P1dB: 25 dBm
- P_{SAT}: 27 dBm
- Output IP3: 35 dBm
- Bias Voltage: V_{DD} = 5 V
- Bias Current: I_{DSQ} = 750 mA
- 50 Ω Matched Input / Output
- Temperature Compensated Output Power Detector
- Lead-Free 5 mm 12 lead SMT package
- RoHS* Compliant

Applications

- ISM / MM

Description

The MAAP-011378 is a 0.5 W distributed power amplifier offered in a 5 mm SMT package. The power amplifier operates from 20 to 55 GHz and provides 22 dB of linear gain and 27 dBm of saturated output power. The device is fully matched across the band and includes a temperature compensated output power detector.

The MAAP-011378 can be used as a power amplifier stage or as a driver stage in higher power applications. This device is ideally suited for test and measurement, 5G FR2, EW, ECM, and radar applications.

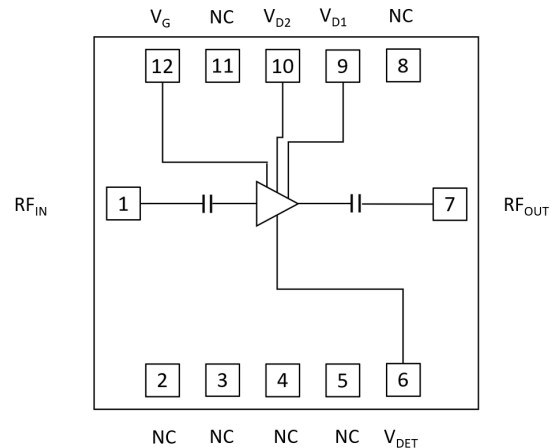
This product is fabricated using a GaAs pHEMT process which features full passivation for enhanced reliability.

Ordering Information^{1,2}

Part Number	Package
MAAP-011378-TR0500	500 piece reel
MAAP-011378-SMB	Sample Board

1. Reference Application Note M513 for reel size information.
2. All sample boards include 3 loose parts.

Functional Schematic



Pin Configuration³

Pad #	Pad Name	Description
1	RF _{IN}	RF Input
2,3,4,5,8,11	NC ⁴	Not Internally Connected
6	V _{DET}	Power Detector
7	RF _{OUT}	RF Output
9	VD1	Drain Voltage 1
10	VD2	Drain Voltage 2
12	VG	Gate Voltage

3. Ground paddle must be connected to RF, DC and thermal ground.
4. It is recommended that these pins are grounded on the application PCB.

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

Electrical Specifications: $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$, $V_D = 5\text{ V}$, $I_{DSQ} = 750\text{ mA}$, $Z_0 = 50\ \Omega$

Parameter	Test Conditions	Units	Min.	Typ.	Max.
Gain	$P_{IN} = -10\text{ dBm}$	dB	18.0	21.0	—
	20.0 GHz				
	30.0 GHz				
	40.0 GHz				
	48.5 GHz				
	55.0 GHz				
Input Return loss	—	dB	—	15	—
Output Return Loss	—	dB	—	15	—
P1dB	20.0 GHz	dBm	24.5	26.0	—
	30.0 GHz				
	40.0 GHz				
	48.5 GHz				
	55.0 GHz				
P_{SAT}	20.0 GHz	dBm	—	27.0	—
	30.0 GHz				
	40.0 GHz				
	48.5 GHz				
	55.0 GHz				
OIP3	$P_{OUT}/\text{Tone} = 20\text{ dBm}$, $\Delta f = 2\text{ MHz}$	dBm	—	35	—
Drain Current	P_{SAT} , 40 GHz	mA	—	850	—
Power Added Efficiency	P_{SAT} , 40 GHz	%	—	10	—

Maximum Operating Ratings

Parameter	Rating
Input Power	13 dBm
Drain Voltage	5.5 V
Junction Temperature ^{5,6}	+160°C
Operating Temperature	-40°C to +85°C

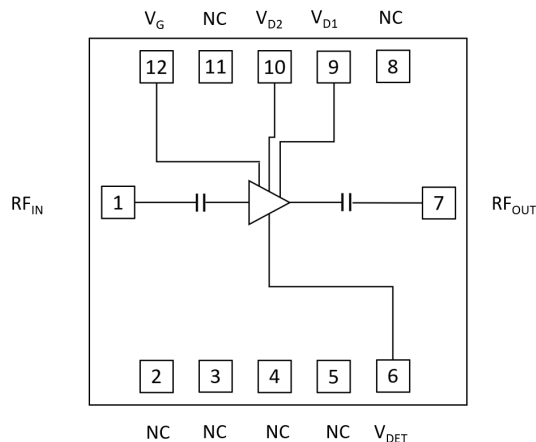
5. Operating at nominal conditions with junction temperature $\leq +160^\circ\text{C}$ will ensure $\text{MTTF} > 1 \times 10^6$ hours.
6. Junction Temperature (T_J) = $T_C + \Theta_{JC} * [(V * I) - (P_{OUT} - P_{IN})]$.
Typical thermal resistance (Θ_{JC}) = 12.25°C/W
 - a) For $T_C = +25^\circ\text{C}$ at the backside of the die
 $T_J = 70^\circ\text{C}$ @ 5 V, 830 mA,
 $P_{OUT} = 27\text{ dBm}$, $P_{IN} = 10\text{ dBm}$
 - b) For $T_C = +85^\circ\text{C}$ at the backside of the die
 $T_J = 131^\circ\text{C}$ @ 5 V, 830 mA,
 $P_{OUT} = 26\text{ dBm}$, $P_{IN} = 10\text{ dBm}$

Absolute Maximum Ratings^{7,8}

Parameter	Absolute Maximum
Input Power	27 dBm
Drain Voltage	6.5 V
Gate Voltage	-3 to 0 V
Junction Temperature ⁹	+175°C
Storage Temperature	-65°C to +125°C

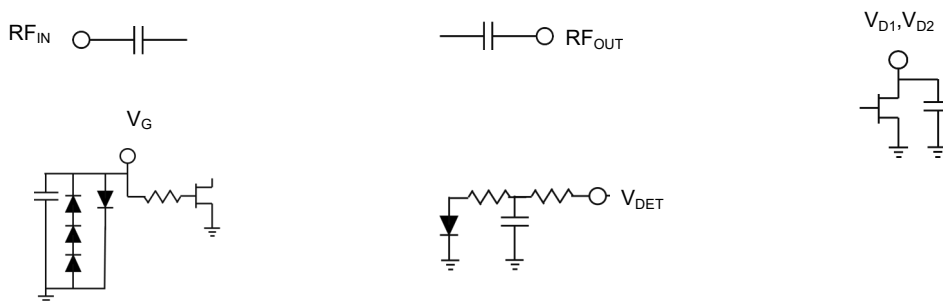
7. Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.
8. MACOM does not recommend sustained operation near these survivability limits.
9. Junction temperature directly effects device MTTF. Junction temperature should be kept as low as possible to maximize lifetime.

Pin Configuration and Functional Descriptions



Pin #	Pin Name	Description
1	RF _{IN}	RF Signal Input. This pad is matched to 50 Ω and is AC coupled.
2,3,4,5,8,11	NC	These pins are not internally connected (i.e. open circuit). It is recommended that these are connected to ground on the application PCB.
6	V _{DET}	Power detector output voltage. There is an internal 5 kΩ resistor on this pin.
7	RF _{OUT}	RF Signal Output. This pad is matched to 50 Ω and is AC coupled
9	V _{D1}	Drain bias 1 for the amplifier. External bypass capacitors are required as described in the applications schematic. There is no internal connection between pins 9 and 10 and so pads need to be externally connected to the drain supply.
10	V _{D2}	Drain bias 2 for the amplifier. External bypass capacitors are required as described in the applications schematic. There is no internal connection between pins 9 and 10 and so pads need to be externally connected to the drain supply.
12	V _G	Power amplifier gate control. Adjust V _G from -2 V to 0 V to achieve the desired quiescent current. External bypass capacitors are required as described in the applications schematic.

Interface Schematics



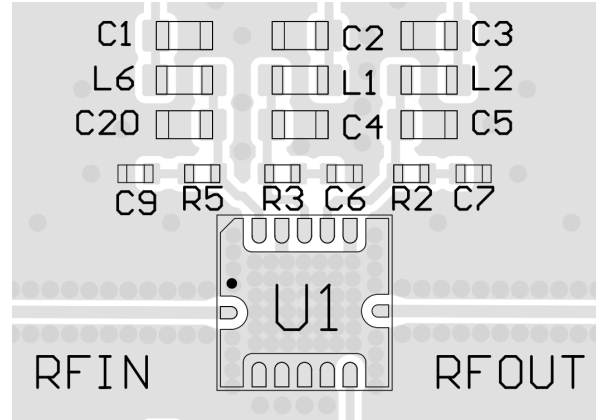
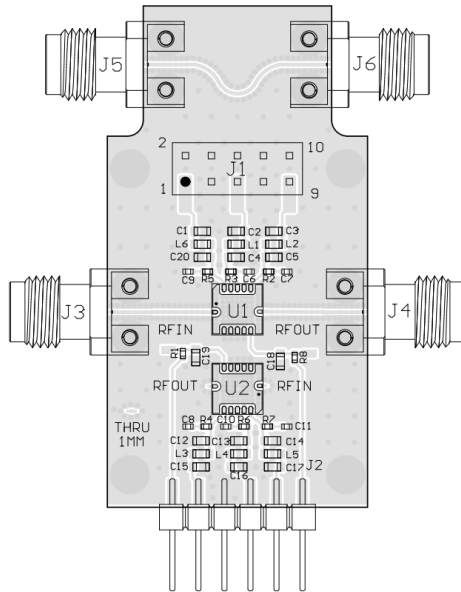
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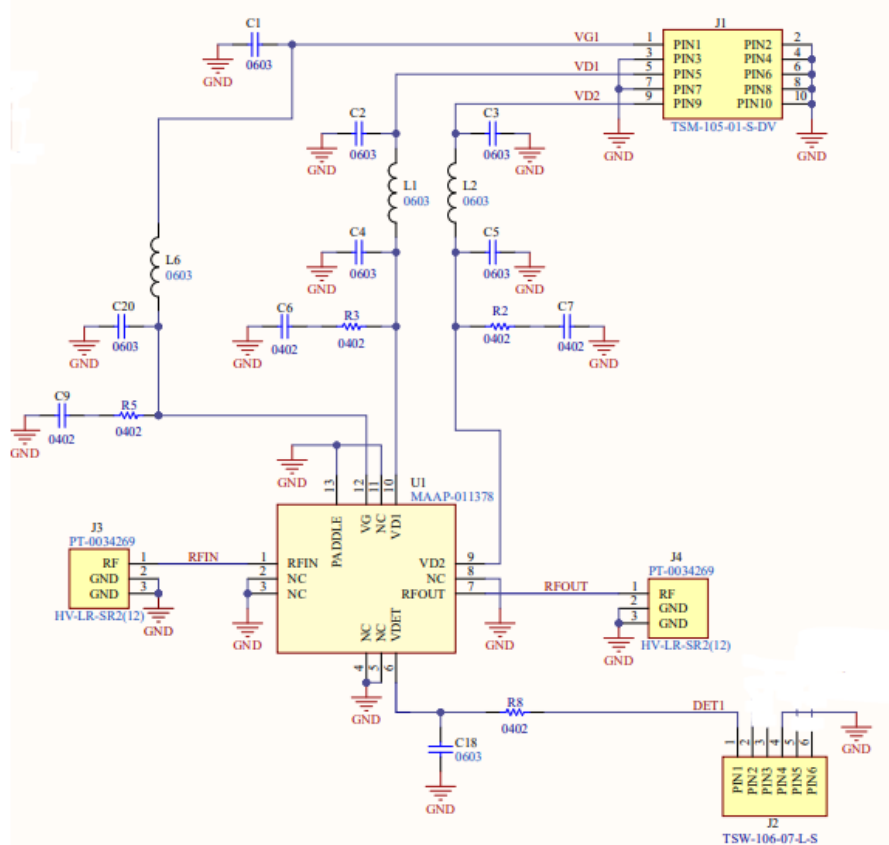
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Evaluation Board Layout



DESIGN NOTES:
 RO4003C, 8 MIL THICK, 1/2 COPPER, SOFT GOLD PLATING
 RF TRACE: 14 MIL WIDTH AND 6.5 MIL SPACING
 RF PROBE: 8 MIL TRACE WIDTH, 4.5 MIL SPACING
 EDGE WRAP ON J3, J4, J5, J6.

Evaluation Board Schematic



Parts List

Part	Value	Case Style
C1, C2, C3	1 μ F	0603
C4, C5, C18, C20	0.1 μ F	0603
C6, C7, C9	100 pF	0402
R8	0 Ω	0402
R2, R3, R5, R6, R7	10 Ω	0402
L 1, L2, L6	10 nH	0603
R1, R4, R6, R7, C8, C10, C11, C15, C16, C17, C19, C12, C13, C14	DNI	DNI

Evaluation Board Notes

The 100 pF capacitors should be placed as close to the amplifier as practically possible. For the larger 0.1 μ F capacitors proximity to the PA is less important. The circuit is not sensitive to the positioning of the 1 μ F capacitors however these should be on the same PCB as the rest of the biasing components.

The capacitors on the detector output are optional: values will depend on the required response time of the detector output. There is an internal series 5 k Ω resistor on this pin.

To ensure proper grounding the number of ground vias under the device should be maximized (within practical limits imposed by the PCB vendor).

Operating the MAAP-011378

Turn-on

1. Apply V_{G1} (-2 V).
2. Apply V_D (5.0 V typical).
3. Set I_{DQ} by adjusting V_G more positive (typically -0.45 V for $I_{DQ} = 750$ mA).
4. Apply RF_{IN} signal.

Turn-off

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

Biasing Conditions

Recommended biasing conditions are $V_D = 5$ V, $I_{DQ} = 750$ mA (controlled with V_G). The drain bias voltage range is 4 to 5.5 V, and the quiescent drain current biasing range is 650 to 850 mA.

Please note this amplifier cannot be completely pinched off. It is expected that typically 22 mA total drain current will be flowing at V_{G1} and $V_{G2} = -2$ V.

Handling Procedures

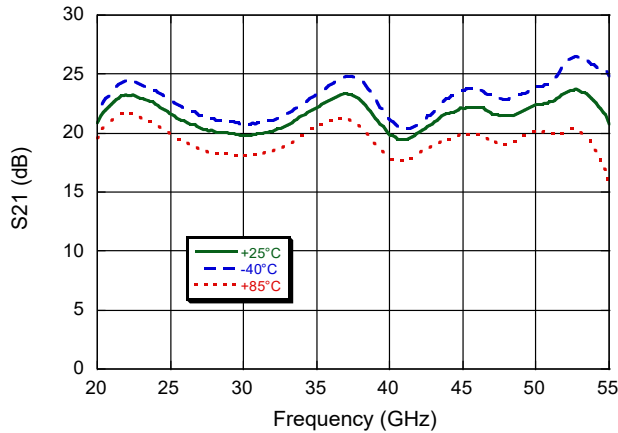
Please observe the following precautions to avoid damage:

Static Sensitivity

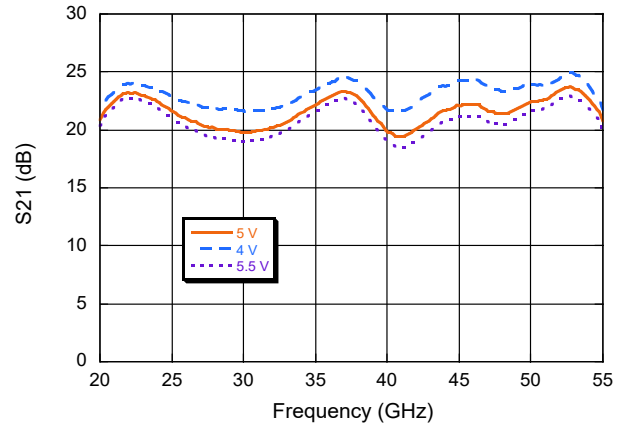
These electronic devices are sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD) and can be damaged by static electricity. Proper ESD control techniques should be used when handling these HBM Class 1A devices.

Typical Performance Curves: $V_D = 5\text{ V}$, $I_{DSQ} = 750\text{ mA}$

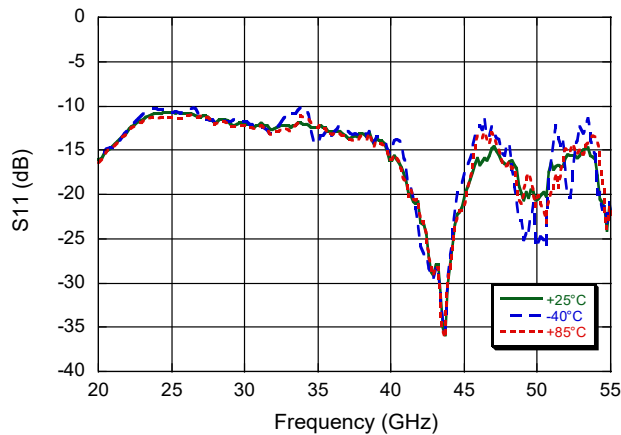
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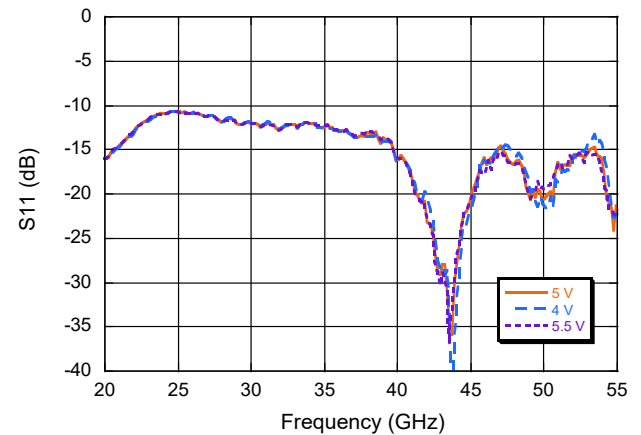
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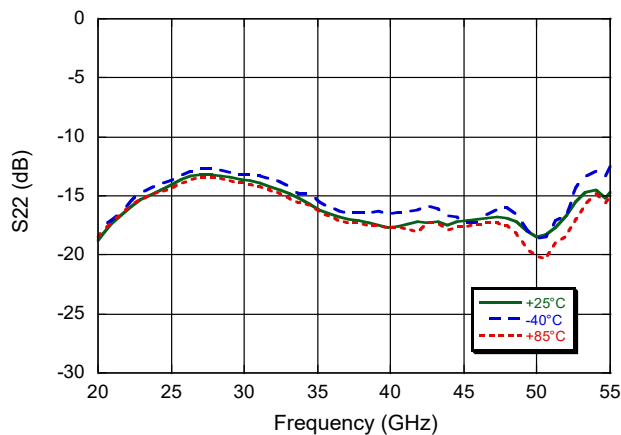
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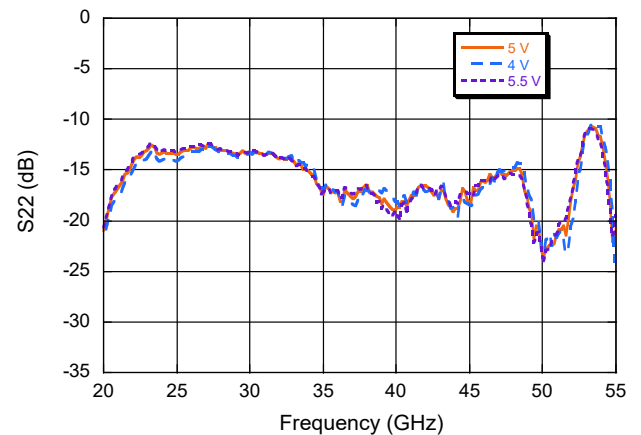
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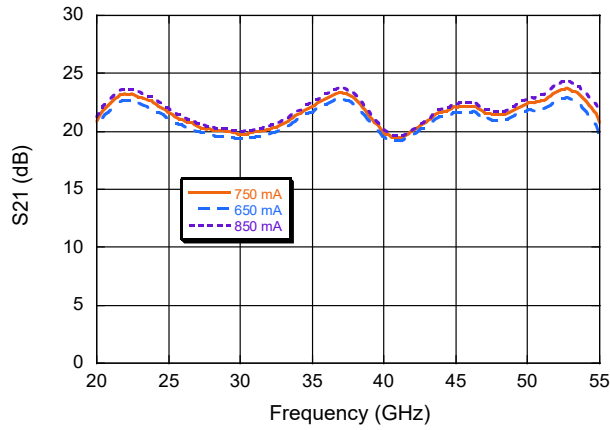


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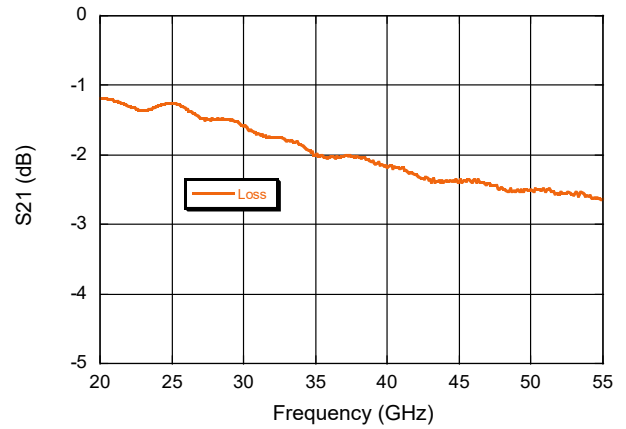


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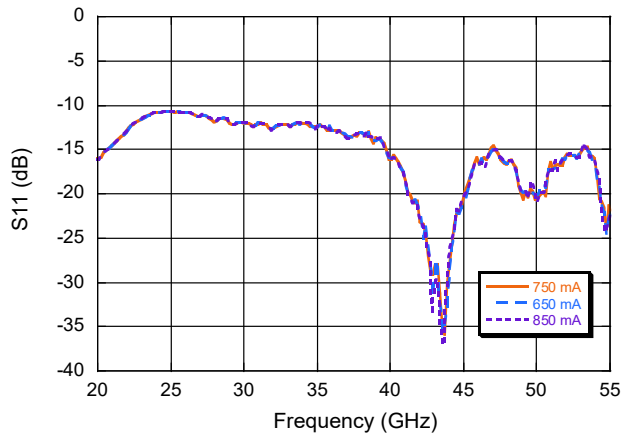
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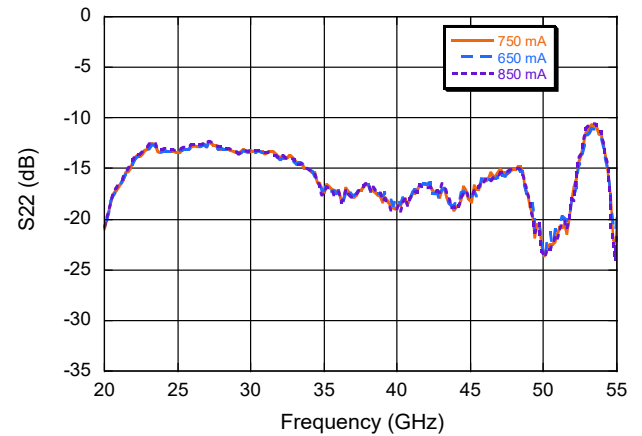
Eval Board Thru Losses



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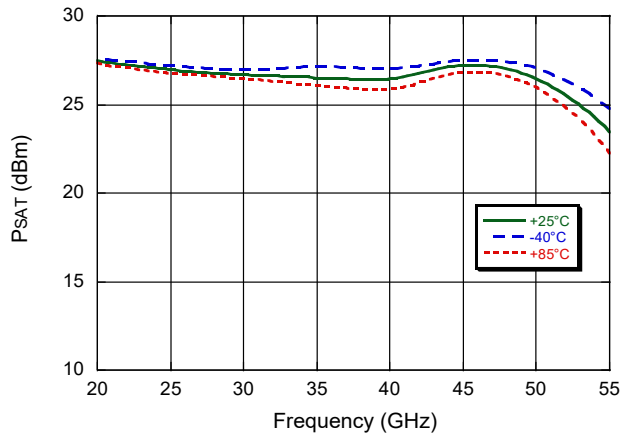


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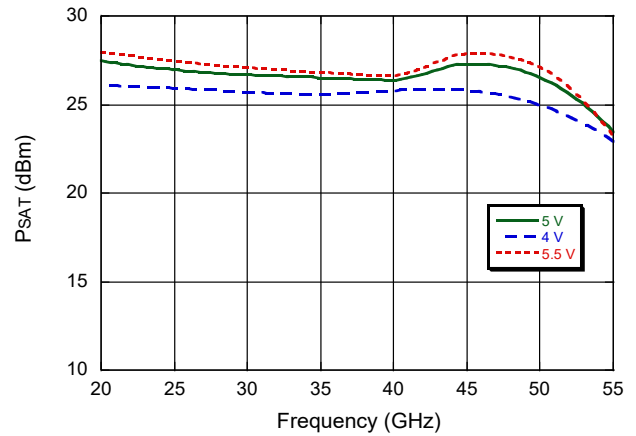


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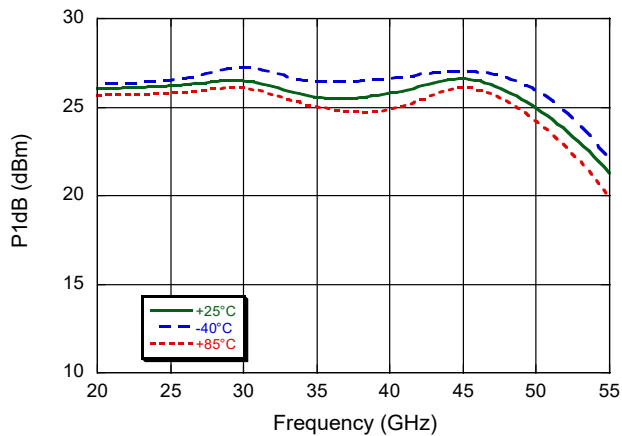
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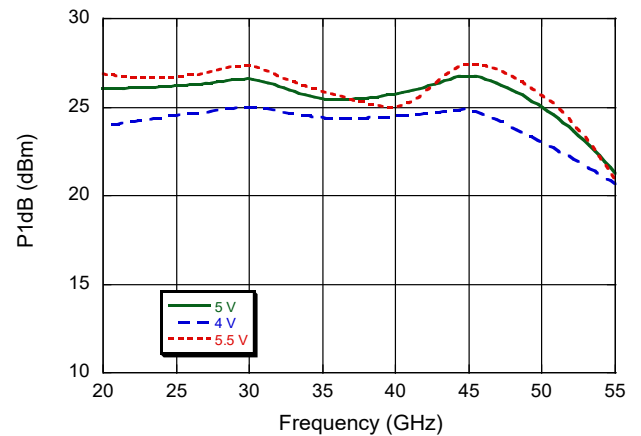
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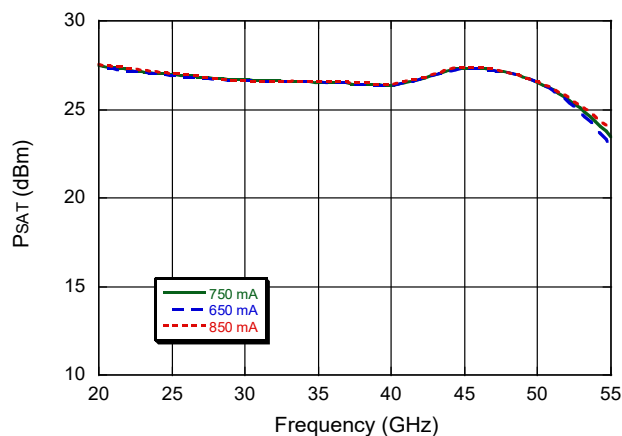
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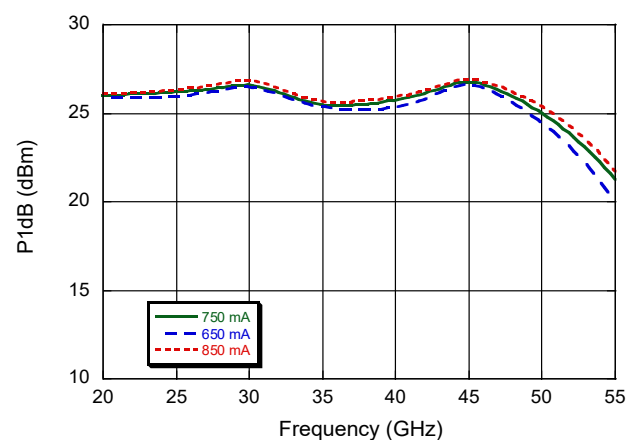
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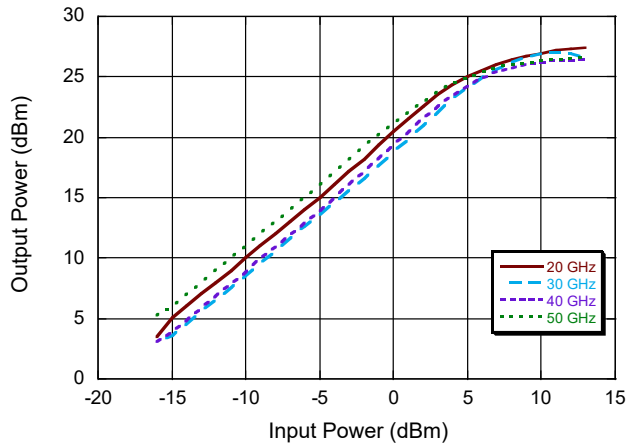


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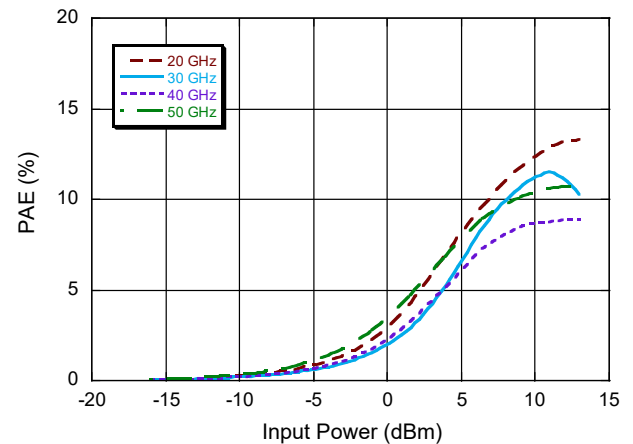
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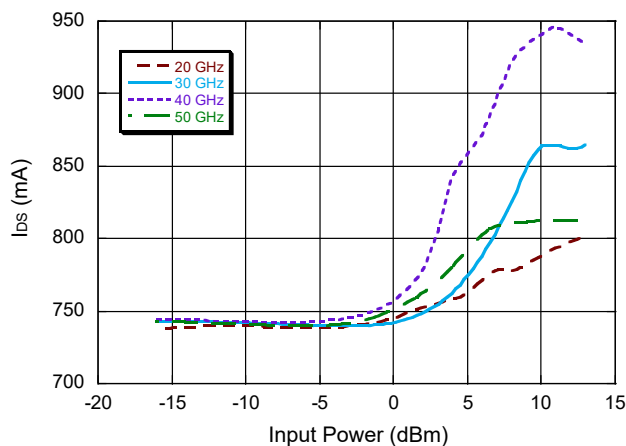
Output Power vs. Input Power



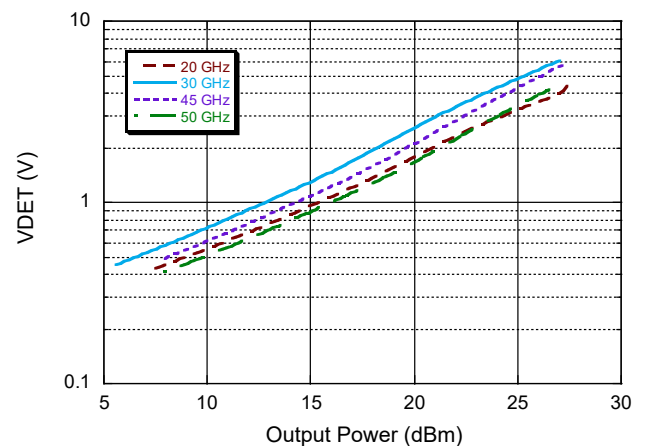
PAE vs. Input Power



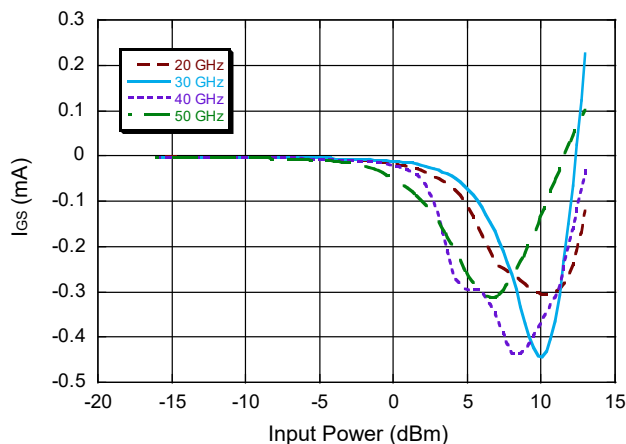
Drain Current vs. Input Power



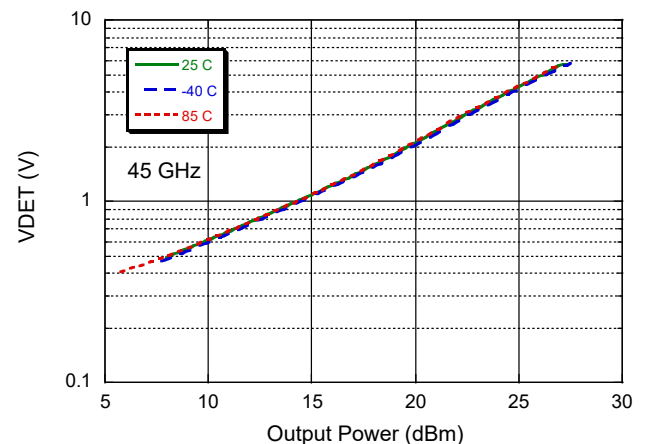
Detector Voltage vs. Output Power



Gate Current vs. Input Power

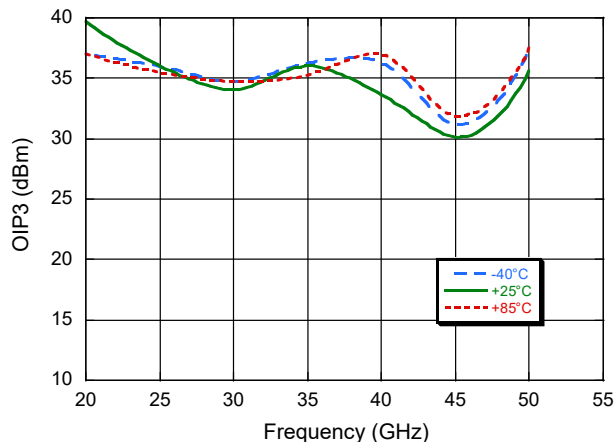


Detector Voltage vs. Output Power and Temperature

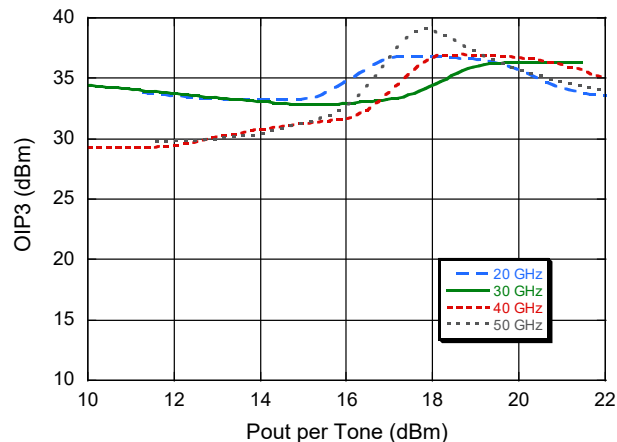


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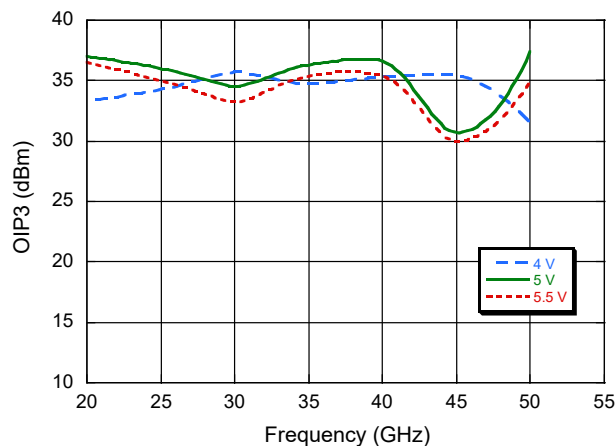
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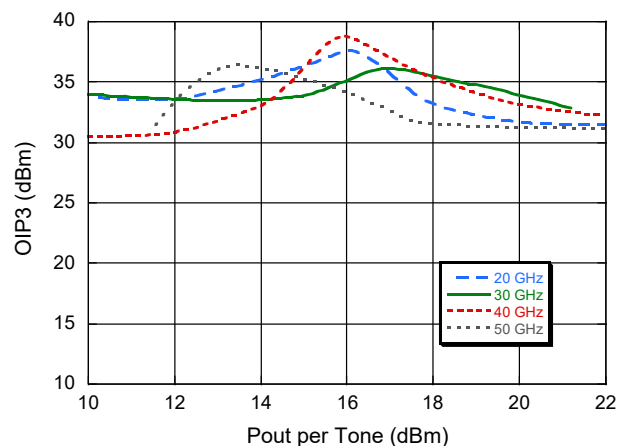
Output IP3 vs. Frequency and Pout per Tone
 $V_d = 5\text{ V}$



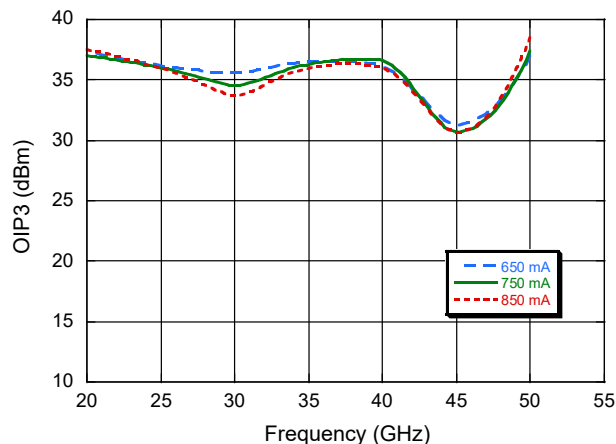
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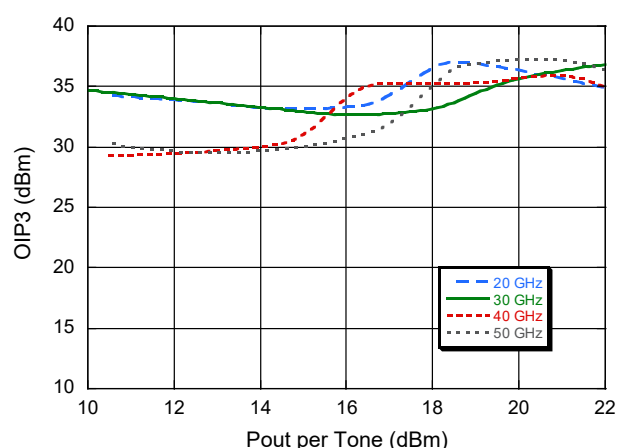
Output IP3 vs. Frequency and Pout per Tone
 $V_d = 4\text{ V}$



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Output IP3 vs. Frequency and Pout per Tone
 $V_d = 5.5\text{ V}$



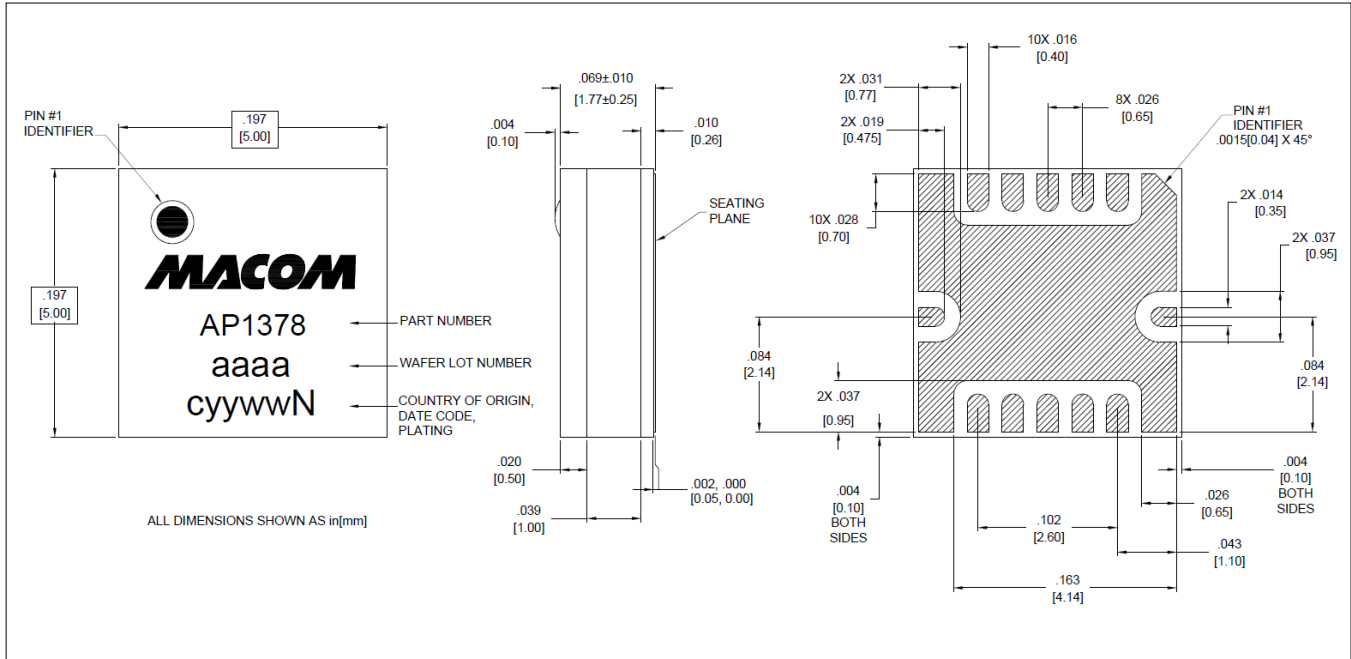
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Lead-Free 5 mm 12-Lead SMT^{10,11,12,13,14}



10. All units in in(mm), unless otherwise noted, with a tolerance of .xxxx ± .0005 in and .xxx ± .005 in.
11. Lead finish: NiPdAu plating
12. Marking: line 2 part number; line 3 wafer lot number; line 4 c = country of origin (T = Thailand), yyww = date code, N = Nickel/Palladium/Gold plating
13. Reference Application Note S2083 for lead-free solder reflow recommendations.
14. Meets JEDEC moisture sensitivity level 3 requirements.

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