

Features

- Optimized for Cellular Base Station Applications
- High Terminal Impedances for Broadband Performance
- 50 V Operation
- 100% RF Tested
- RoHS* Compliant

Description

The MAGB-101836-025B0P GaN HEMT is a D-mode amplifier designed for base station applications and optimized for modulated signal operation in the 1.8 - 3.6 GHz frequency bands. This device supports pulsed and linear operation with peak output power levels to 25 W (44 dBm) in a 5 x 7 mm QFN package.

Typical Performance:

- WCDMA 3GPP TM1 64 DPCH 9.9 dB PAR @ 0.01% CCDF. $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$, $I_{DQ} = 75\text{ mA}$, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$

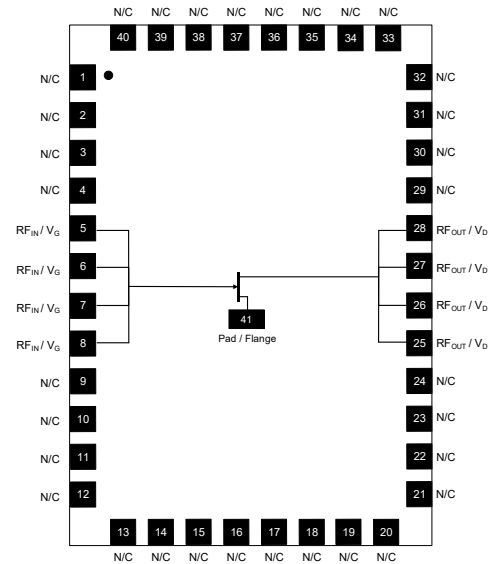
Frequency (MHz)	GP (dB)	η_D (%)	Output PAR (dB)	ACPR (dBc)
3400	16.2	29	8.2	-36.0
3500	16.9	29	8.2	-37.0
3600	16.6	29	8.0	-37.5

Ordering Information^{1,2}

Part Number	Package
MAGB-101836-025B0P	Bulk Quantity
MAGB-1B1836-025B0P	3.6 GHz Class-AB Sample Board
MAGB-101836-025BTP	1000 Piece Reel

1. Sample Board includes two loose parts.
2. Reference Application Note M513 for reel size information.

Functional Schematic



Pin Configuration

Pin #	Pin Name	Function
1 - 4, 9 - 24, 29 - 40	N/C	No Connection
5 - 8	RF _{IN} / V _G	RF Input / Gate
25 - 28	RF _{OUT} / V _D	RF Output / Drain
41	Pad ³	Ground / Source

3. The exposed pad centered on the package bottom must be connected to RF and DC ground. This path must also provide a low thermal resistance heat path.

¹ * Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, compliant to current RoHS EU directive.

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RF Electrical Characteristics: $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$, $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$, $I_{DQ} = 75\text{ mA}$
Note: Performance in MACOM Evaluation Test Board, 50 Ω system

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Small Signal Gain	Pulsed ⁴ , 3500 MHz	G_{SS}	-	18	-	dB
Saturated Output Power	Pulsed ⁴ , 3500 MHz	P_{SAT}	-	43.5	-	dBm
Drain Efficiency at Saturation	Pulsed ⁴ , 3500 MHz	η_{SAT}	-	55	-	%
AM/PM	Pulsed ⁴ , 3500 MHz	ϕ	-	-10	-	°
Modulated Peak Power	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz	P_{3dB}^6	-	43.5	-	dBm
VBW Resonance Point	IMD 3rd Order Inflection Point	VBW_{RES}	-	300	-	MHz
Gain Flatness in 60 MHz	WCDMA ⁵ , $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	G_F	-	0.4	-	dB
Gain Variation (-25°C to +105°C)	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	ΔG	-	0.02	-	dB/°C
Power Variation (-25°C to +105°C)	Pulsed ⁴ , 3500 MHz	ΔP_{1dB}	-	0.02	-	dB/°C
Power Gain	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	G_P	-	16.9	-	dB
Drain Efficiency	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	η	-	29	-	%
Output PAR @ 0.01% CCDF	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	PAR	-	8.2	-	dB
Adjacent Channel Power Ratio	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	ACPR	-	-37	-	dBc
Input Return Loss	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	IRL	-	-12	-	dB
Ruggedness: Output Mismatch	All phase angles	Ψ	VSWR = 10:1, No Device Damage			

RF Electrical Specifications: $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$, $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$, $I_{DQ} = 75\text{ mA}$
Note: Performance in MACOM Production Test Fixture, 50 Ω system

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Power Gain	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	G_P	13.5	15.2	-	dB
Drain Efficiency	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	η	24.5	28	-	%
Output PAR @ 0.01% CCDF	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	PAR	6.7	7.3	-	dB
Adjacent Channel Power Ratio	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	ACPR	-	-35.2	-33	dBc
Input Return Loss	WCDMA ⁵ , 3500 MHz, $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$	IRL	-	-6.5	-4	dB

4. Pulse details: 100 μs pulse width, 1 ms period, 10% Duty Cycle

5. Modulated Signal: 3.84 MHz, WCDMA 3 GPP TM1 64 DPCH, 9.9 dB PAR @ 0.01% CCDF

6. $P_{3dB} = P_{OUT} + 7\text{ dB}$ where P_{OUT} is the average output power measured using a modulated signal³ where the output PAR is compressed to 7 dB @ 0.01% probability CCDF.

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DC Electrical Characteristics: $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Drain-Source Leakage Current	$V_{GS} = -8\text{ V}, V_{DS} = 130\text{ V}$	I_{DLK}	-	-	3.3	mA
Gate-Source Leakage Current	$V_{GS} = -8\text{ V}, V_{DS} = 0\text{ V}$	I_{GLK}	-	-	1.65	mA
Gate Threshold Voltage	$V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}, I_D = 3.3\text{ mA}$	V_T	-2.6	-2.0	-1.6	V
Gate Quiescent Voltage	$V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}, I_D = 75\text{ mA}$	V_{GSQ}	-2.4	-1.7	-1.4	V
On Resistance	$V_{DS} = 2\text{ V}, I_D = 25\text{ mA}$	R_{ON}	-	1.45	-	W
Maximum Drain Current	$V_{DS} = 7\text{ V}$ pulsed, pulse width 300 μs	$I_{D,MAX}$	-	1.9	-	A

Absolute Maximum Ratings^{7,8,9,10,11}

Parameter	Absolute Maximum
Drain Source Voltage, V_{DS}	130 V
Gate Source Voltage, V_{GS}	-10 to 3 V
Gate Current, I_G	4 mA
Storage Temperature Range	-65°C to +150°C
Case Operating Temperature Range	-40°C to +120°C
Channel Operating Temperature Range, T_{CH}	-40°C to +225°C
Absolute Maximum Channel Temperature	+250°C

7. Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.
8. MACOM does not recommend sustained operation above maximum operating conditions.
9. Operating at drain source voltage $V_{DS} < 55$ V will ensure $MTTF > 1 \times 10^7$ hours.
10. Operating at nominal conditions with $T_{CH} \leq 225^\circ\text{C}$ will ensure $MTTF > 1 \times 10^7$ hours.
11. $MTTF$ may be estimated by the expression $MTTF$ (hours) = $A e^{[B + C/(T+273)]}$ where T is the channel temperature in degrees Celsius., $A = 3.686$, $B = -35.00$, and $C = 25,416$.

Thermal Characteristics¹²

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Typical	Units
Thermal Resistance using Finite Element Analysis	$V_{DS} = 50$ V, $P_D = 13$ W, $T_C = 120^\circ\text{C}$, $T_{CH} = 225^\circ\text{C}$	$R_{\theta}(\text{FEA})$	8.9	°C/W
Thermal Resistance using Infrared Measurement of Die Surface Temperature	$V_{DS} = 50$ V, $P_D = 13$ W, $T_C = 135^\circ\text{C}$, $T_{CH} = 225^\circ\text{C}$	$R_{\theta}(\text{IR})$	7.7	°C/W

12. Case temperature measured using thermocouple embedded in heat-sink. Contact local applications support team for more details on this measurement.

Handling Procedures

Please observe the following precautions to avoid damage:

Static Sensitivity

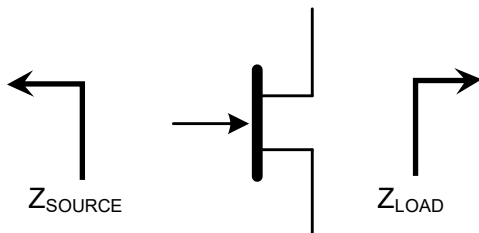
Gallium Nitride Circuits are sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD) and can be damaged by static electricity. Proper ESD control techniques should be used when handling these HBM class 1A and CDM class C1 devices.

Pulsed¹³ Load-Pull Performance: Reference Plane at Device Leads

Frequency (MHz)	Z_{SOURCE} (Ω)	Maximum Output Power					
		$V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}, I_{DQ} = 75\text{ mA}, T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}, P2.5\text{dB}$					
		Z_{LOAD}^{14} (Ω)	Gain (dB)	P_{OUT} (dBm)	P_{OUT} (W)	η_D (%)	AM/PM ($^\circ$)
2300	2.8 - j6.1	2.6 + j0.8	17.5	44.2	26.3	59	1
2400	2.9 - j5.4	2.5 + j1.1	17.8	44.3	28.8	61	1
2500	3.0 - j7.7	2.6 + j1.3	16.5	44.3	26.9	60	1
3400	8.0 - j18.5	9.5 + j9.9	15.5	44.0	25.1	48.7	2.3
3500	6.1 - j19.6	9.0 + j9.4	15.2	44.1	25.7	49.9	1.9
3600	7.8 - j21.6	8.9 + j8.8	15.0	44.1	25.7	49.7	2.9

Frequency (MHz)	Z_{SOURCE} (Ω)	Maximum Drain Efficiency					
		$V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}, I_{DQ} = 75\text{ mA}, T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}, P2.5\text{dB}$					
		Z_{LOAD}^{15} (Ω)	Gain (dB)	P_{OUT} (dBm)	P_{OUT} (W)	η_D (%)	AM/PM ($^\circ$)
2300	2.8 - j6.1	2.0 + j0.3	19.5	42.7	18.6	67.5	5
2400	2.9 - j5.4	1.8 + j0.2	18.7	42.7	18.6	69	5
2500	3.0 - j7.7	1.7 + j0.1	18.0	42.7	18.6	65	5
3400	7.9 - j20.0	5.5 + j11.6	16.7	43.3	21.4	53.1	-0.5
3500	6.4 - j21.5	5.8 + j11.5	16.3	43.4	21.9	54.4	0.0
3600	8.1 - j23.7	5.7 + j11.3	15.9	43.3	21.4	55.4	1.8

Impedance Reference



Z_{SOURCE} = Measured impedance presented to the input of the device at package reference plane.

Z_{LOAD} = Measured impedance presented to the output of the device at package reference plane.

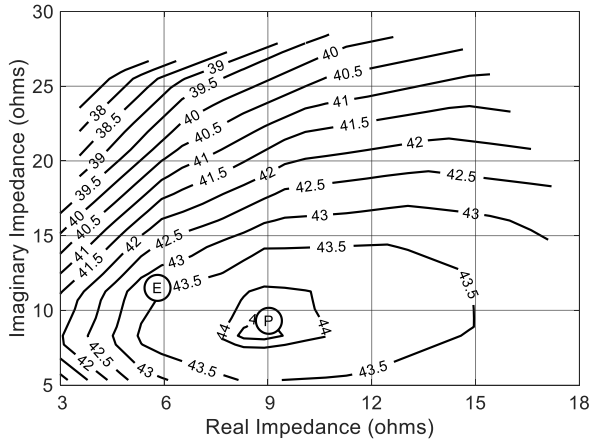
13. Pulse details: 100 μs pulse width, 1 ms period, 10% duty cycle.

14. Load Impedance for optimum output power.

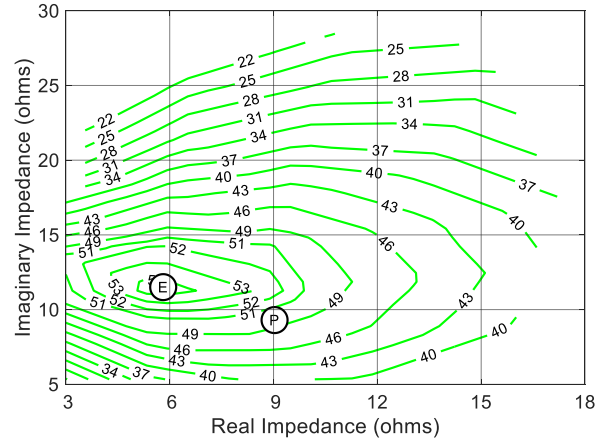
15. Load Impedance for optimum efficiency.

Pulsed¹³ Load-Pull Performance: 3500 MHz

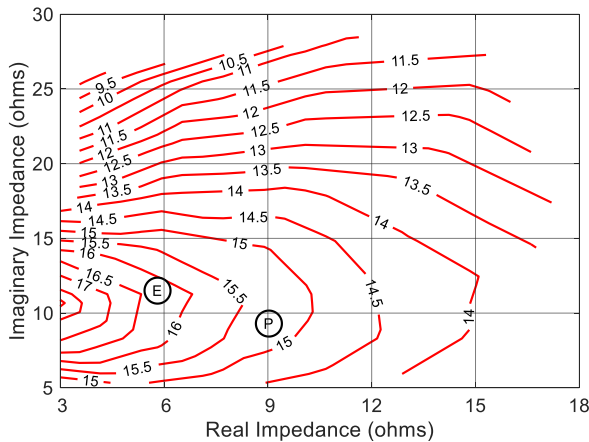
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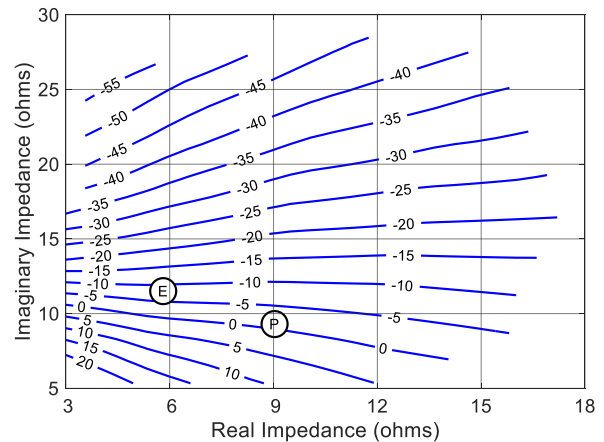
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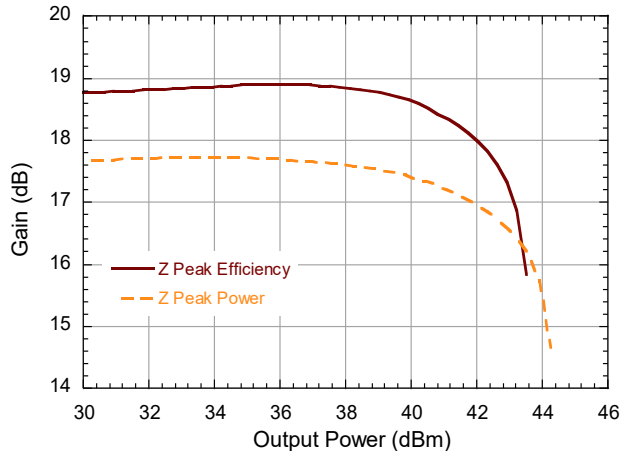
P2.5dB Loadpull Gain Contours (dB)



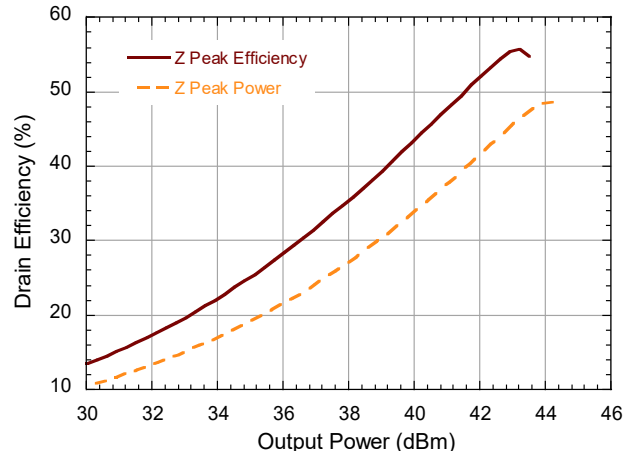
P2.5dB Loadpull AM/PM Contours (°)



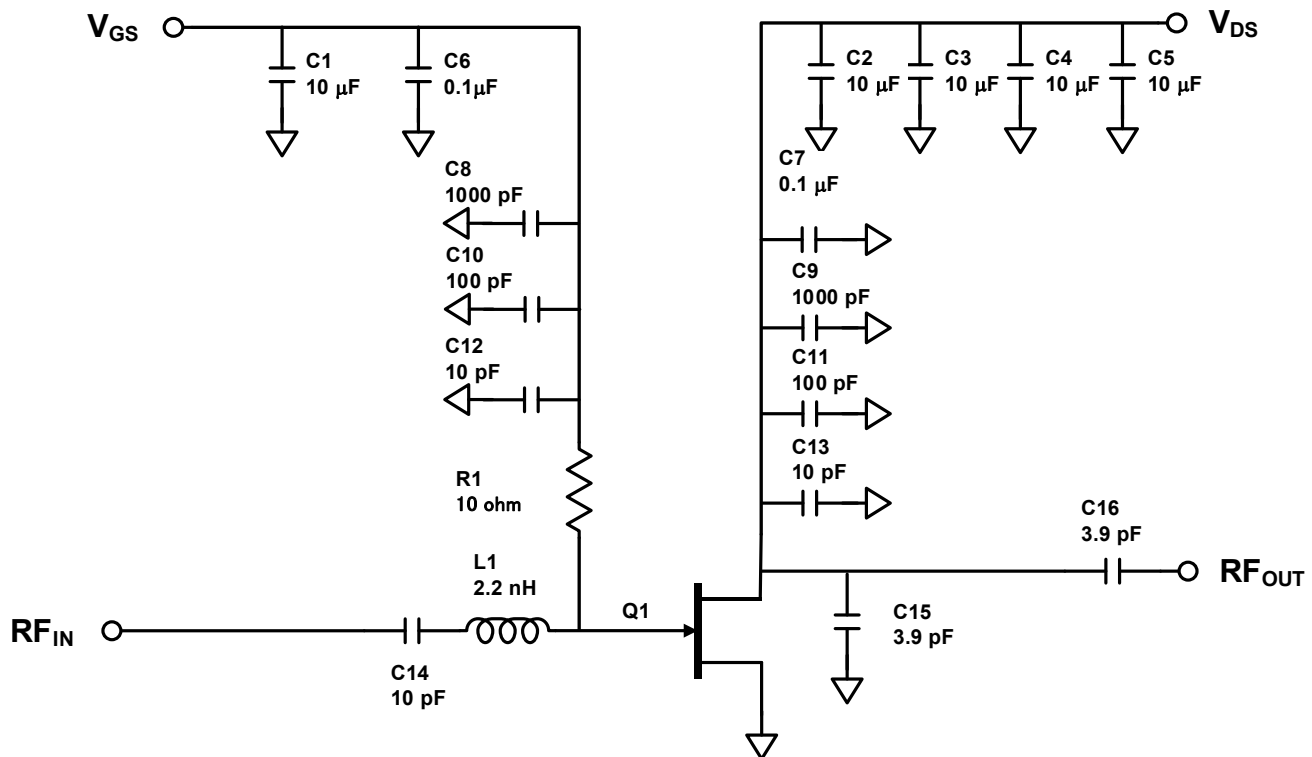
Gain vs. Output Power



Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power



Evaluation Test Board and Recommended Tuning Solution 3.4 - 3.6 GHz



Description

Parts measured on evaluation board (20-mil thick RO4350). Matching is provided using a combination of lumped elements and transmission lines as shown in the simplified schematic above. Recommended tuning solution, component placement, transmission lines, and details are shown on the next page.

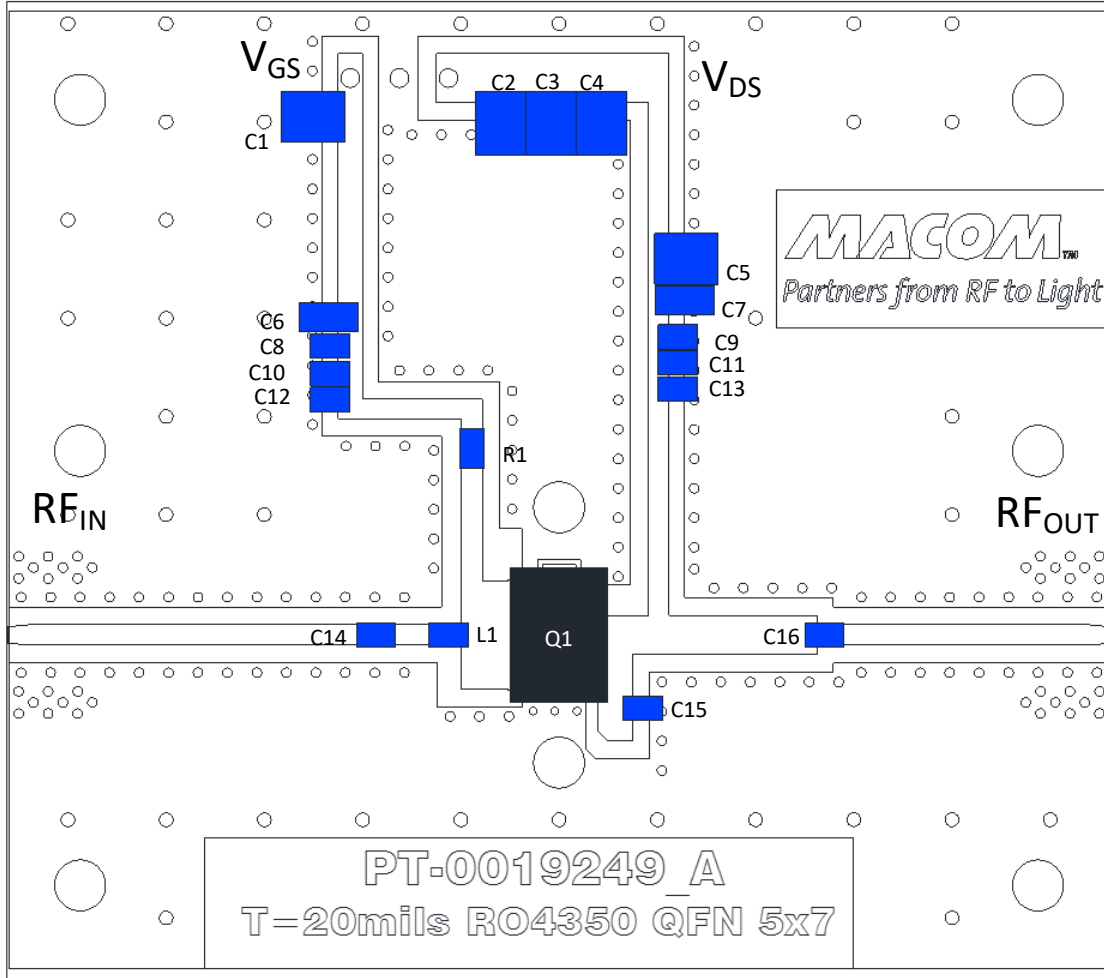
Turning the device ON

1. Set V_{GS} to the pinch-off (V_P), typically -5 V.
2. Turn on V_{DS} to nominal voltage (50 V).
3. Increase V_{GS} until the I_{DS} current is reached.
4. Apply RF power to desired level.

Turning the device OFF

1. Turn the RF power off.
2. Decrease V_{GS} down to V_P .
3. Decrease V_{DS} down to 0 V.
4. Turn off V_{GS} .

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Parts List

Reference Designator	Value	Tolerance	Manufacturer	Part Number
C1,C2,C3,C4,C5	10 μ F	10%	Murata	GRM32EC72A106KE05L
C6,C7	0.1 μ F	10%	Kemet	C1206C104K1RACTU
C8,C9	1000 pF	10%	Kemet	C0805C102K2RACTU
C10,C11	100 pF	5%	Murata	GQM2195C2E101JB12
C12,C13,C14	10 pF	± 0.1 pF	Murata	GQM2195C2E100FB12
C15,C16	3.9 pF	± 0.1 pF	Murata	GQM2195C2E3R9BB12
L1	2.2 nH	± 0.2 nH	AVX	L08052R2CES
R1	10 Ω	1%	Panasonic	ERJ-6ENF10R0V
PCB	Rogers RO4350, $\epsilon_r=3.66$, 20 mil			

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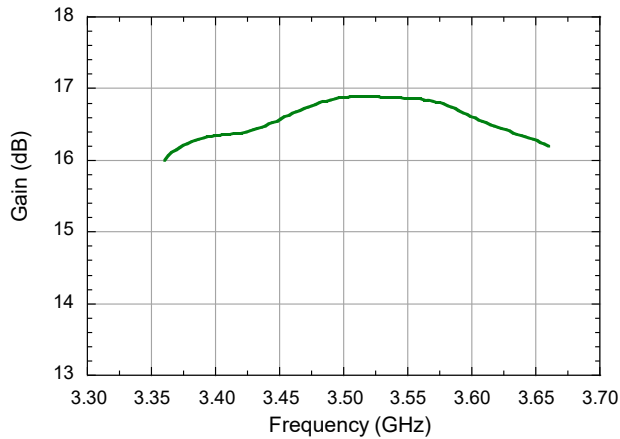


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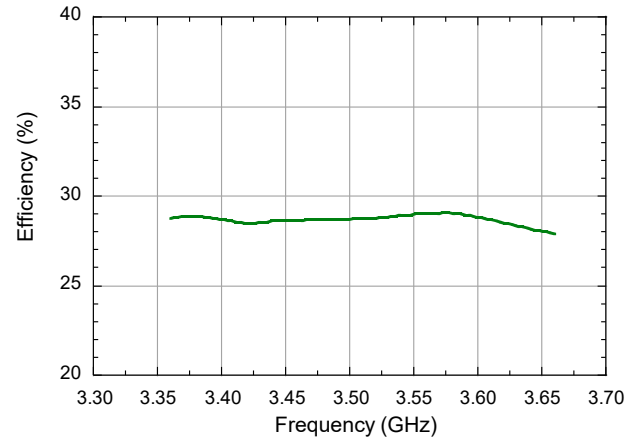
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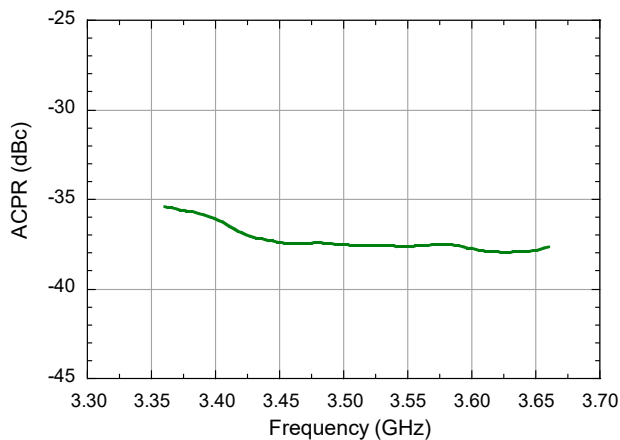
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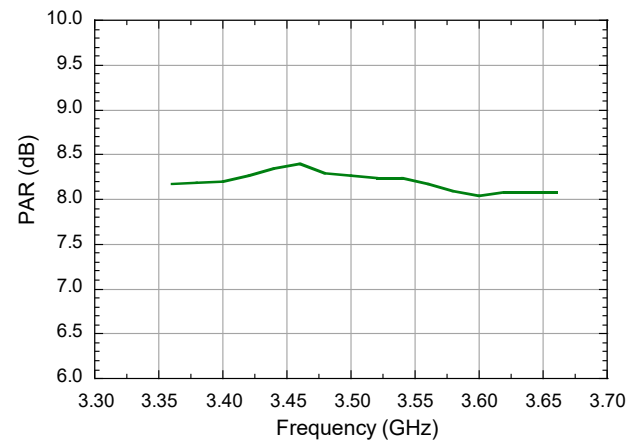
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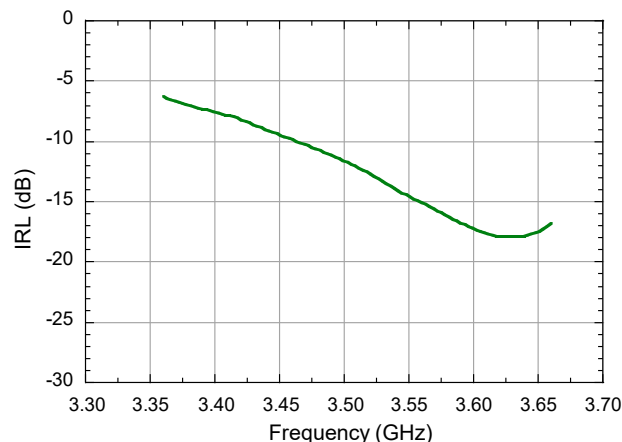
ACPR vs. Frequency at $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$



PAR (CCDF @ 0.01%) vs. Frequency at $P_{OUT} = 36\text{ dBm}$



Input Return Loss vs. Frequency at $P_{out} = 36\text{ dBm}$



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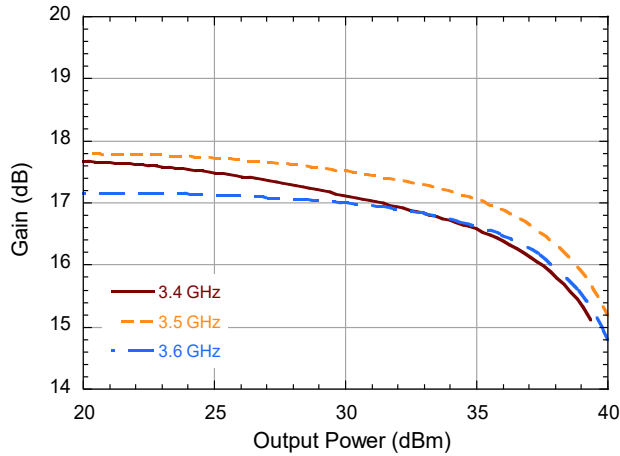


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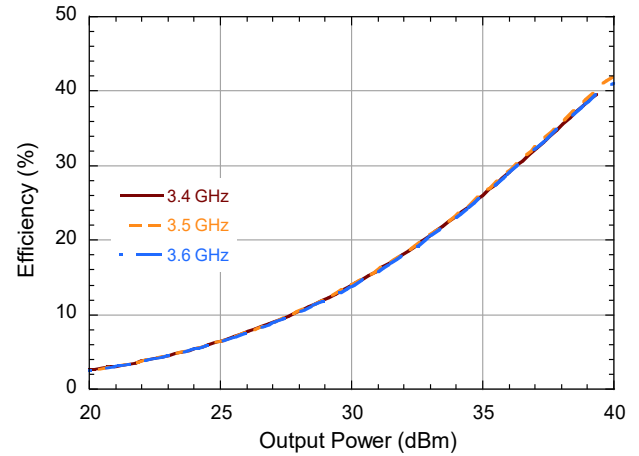
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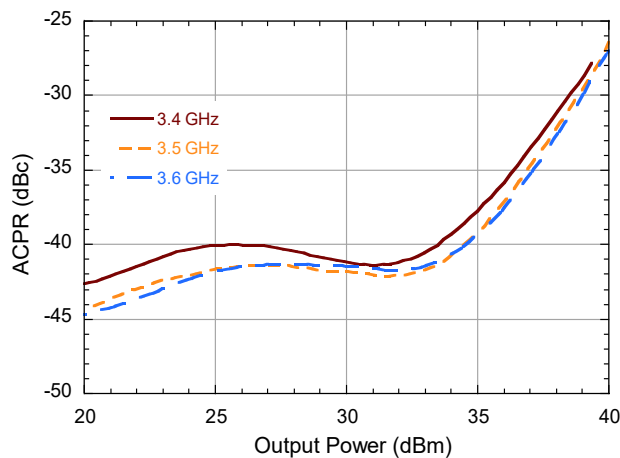
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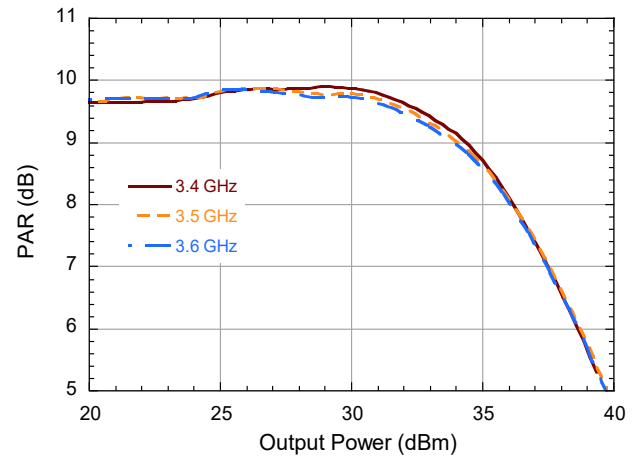
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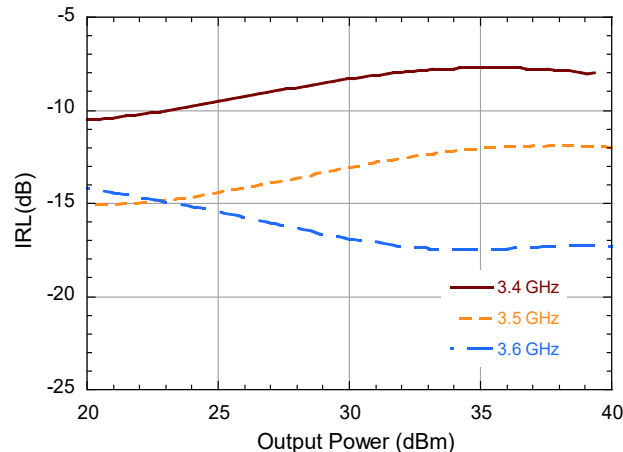
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PAR (CCDF @ 0.01%) vs. Output Power

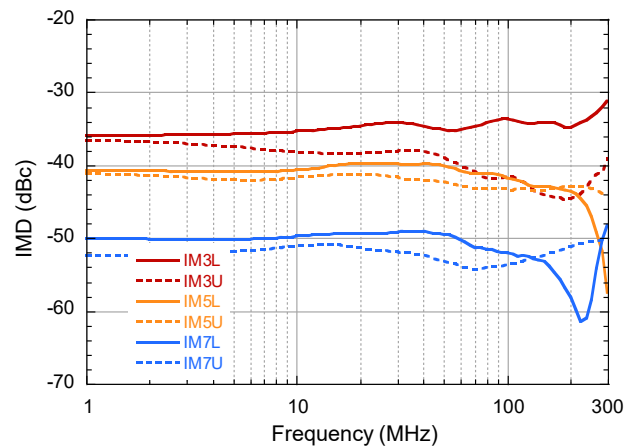


Input Return Loss vs. Output Power



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2-Tone Video Bandwidth Performance
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IMD vs. Tone Spacing (MHz) at 3.5 GHz



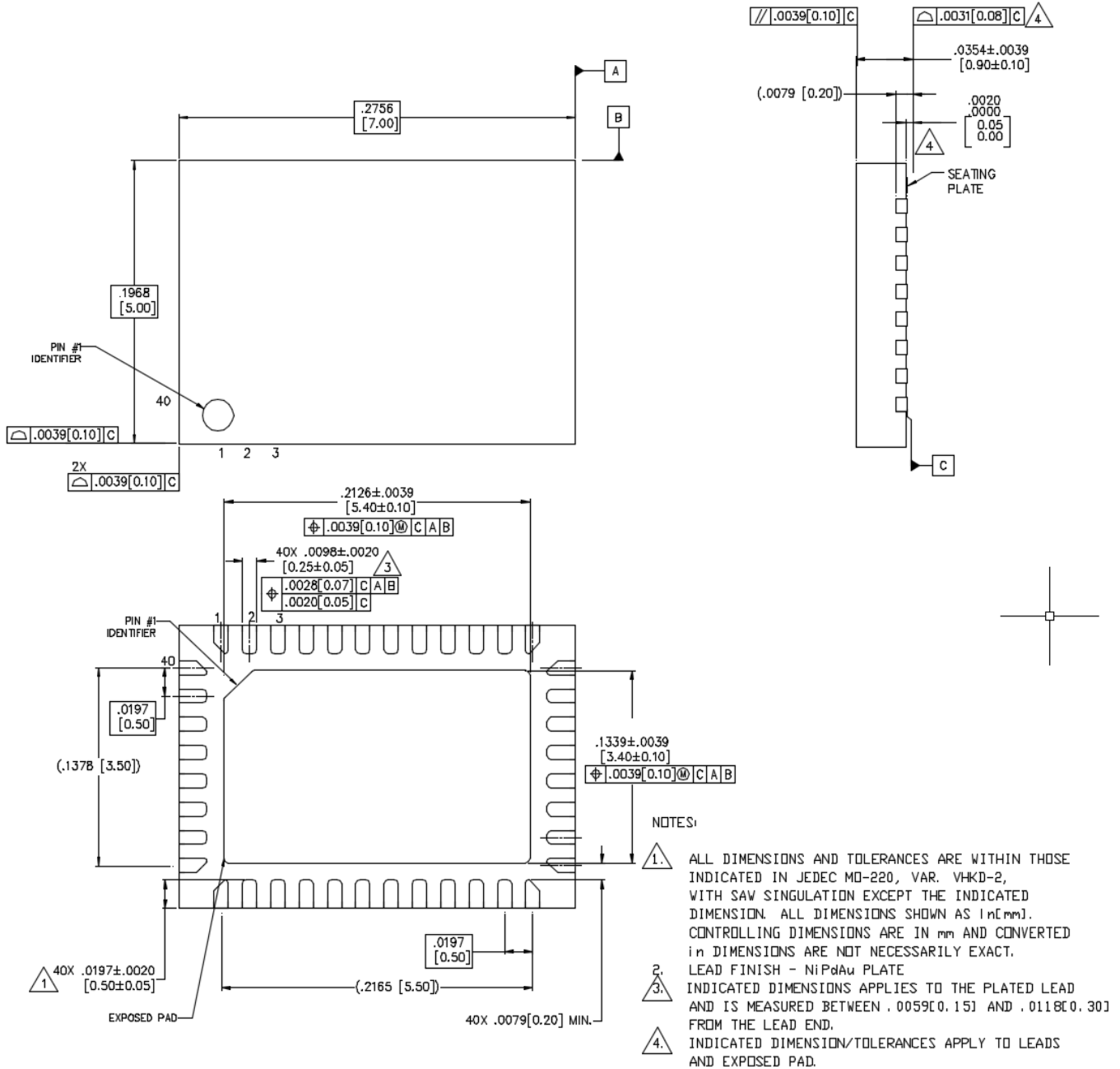
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Outline: 5 x 7 mm QFN Plastic Package[†]



[†] Meets JEDEC moisture sensitivity level 3 requirements.

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