

GaN Amplifier 50 V, 50 W 30 - 1400 MHz



MACOM PURE CARBIDE™

MAPC-A1001

Rev. V1

Features

- MACOM PURE CARBIDE™ Amplifier Series
- Suitable for Linear & Saturated Applications
- CW & Pulsed Operation: 50 W Output Power
- 50 Ω Input Matched
- 260°C Reflow Compatible
- 50 V Operation
- 100% RF Tested
- RoHS* Compliant

Description

The MAPC-A1001 is a GaN on Silicon Carbide HEMT D-mode amplifier suitable for 30 - 1400 MHz frequency operation. The device supports both CW and pulsed operation with minimum output power levels of 50 W (47 dBm) in a 5 x 6 mm plastic package.

The MAPC-A1001 has a wide range of applications, including military radio communications, RADAR, avionics, digital cellular infrastructure, RF energy, and test instrumentation.

Typical Performance:

- $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$, $I_{DQ} = 130\text{ mA}$, $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$.
Measured under load-pull at 2.5 dB
Compression, 100 μs pulse width, 10% duty cycle.

Frequency (MHz)	Output Power ¹ (dBm)	Gain ² (dB)	η_D^2 (%)
600	48.7	18.2	80.2
800	48.8	18.3	78.4
1000	48.7	17.6	77.1
1200	48.8	15.8	76.6
1400	48.6	13.5	75.6

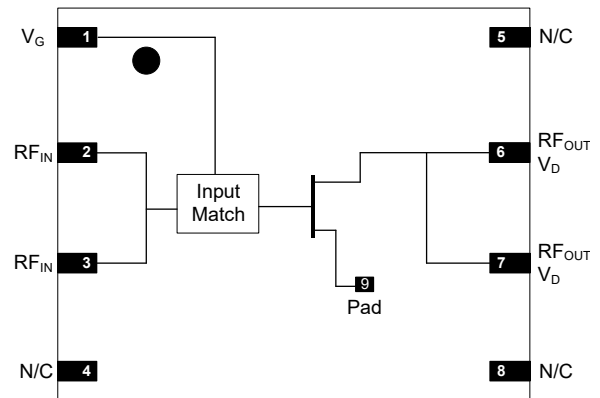
1. Load impedance tuned for maximum output power.
2. Load impedance tuned for maximum drain efficiency.

Ordering Information

Part Number	Package
MAPC-A1001-AD000	Bulk Quantity
MAPC-A1001-ADTR1	Tape and Reel
MAPC-A1001-ADSB1	Sample Board



Functional Schematic



Pin Configuration

Pin #	Pin Name	Function
1	V_G	Gate
2, 3	RF_{IN}	RF Input
4, 5, 8	N/C	No Connection
6, 7	RF_{OUT} / V_D	RF Output / Drain
9	Pad ³	Ground / Source

3. The pad on the package bottom must be connected to RF, DC and thermal ground.

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

RF Electrical Characteristics: $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$, $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$, $I_{DQ} = 130\text{ mA}$
Note: Performance in MACOM Evaluation Test Fixture, 50 Ω system

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Small Signal Gain	Pulsed ⁴ , 900 MHz	G_{SS}	-	18.4	-	dB
Power Gain	Pulsed ⁴ , 900 MHz, 2.5 dB Gain Compression	G_{SAT}	-	15.9	-	dB
Saturated Drain Efficiency	Pulsed ⁴ , 900 MHz, 2.5 dB Gain Compression	η_{SAT}	-	61.1	-	%
Saturated Output Power	Pulsed ⁴ , 900 MHz, 2.5 dB Gain Compression	P_{SAT}	-	46.7	-	dBm
Gain Variation (-40°C to +85°C)	Pulsed ⁴ , 900 MHz	ΔG	-	0.018	-	dB/°C
Power Variation (-40°C to +85°C)	Pulsed ⁴ , 900 MHz	$\Delta P_{2.5dB}$	-	0.006	-	dBm/°C
Power Gain	Pulsed ⁴ , 900 MHz, $P_{IN} = 27.4\text{ dBm}$	G_P	-	17.4	-	dB
Drain Efficiency	Pulsed ⁴ , 900 MHz, $P_{IN} = 27.4\text{ dBm}$	η	-	50.4	-	%
Input Return Loss	Pulsed ⁴ , 900 MHz, $P_{IN} = 27.4\text{ dBm}$	IRL	-	-12	-	dB
Ruggedness: Output Mismatch	All phase angles	Ψ	VSWR = 30:1, No Damage			

RF Electrical Specifications: $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$, $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$, $I_{DQ} = 130\text{ mA}$
Note: Performance in MACOM Production Test Fixture, 50 Ω system

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Power Gain	Pulsed ⁴ , 1400 MHz, 2.5 dB Gain Compression	G_{SAT}	11.8	12.4	-	dB
Saturated Drain Efficiency	Pulsed ⁴ , 1400 MHz, 2.5 dB Gain Compression	η_{SAT}	57.5	60.5	-	%
Saturated Output Power	Pulsed ⁴ , 1400 MHz, 2.5 dB Gain Compression	P_{SAT}	47.0	47.6	-	dBm

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

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}	-	-	7.1	mA
Gate-Source Leakage Current	$V_{GS} = -8\text{ V}$, $V_{DS} = 0\text{ V}$	I_{GLK}	-	-	7.1	mA
Gate Threshold Voltage	$V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$, $I_D = 7.1\text{ mA}$	V_T	-	-2.9	-	V
Gate Quiescent Voltage	$V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$, $I_D = 130\text{ mA}$	V_{GSQ}	-	-2.5	-	V
Maximum Drain Current	$V_{DS} = 7\text{ V}$, pulse width 300 μs	$I_{D, MAX}$	-	6.0	-	A

Absolute Maximum Ratings^{5,6,7,8,9}

Parameter	Absolute Maximum
Drain Source Voltage, V_{DS}	130 V
Gate Source Voltage, V_{GS}	-10 to 3 V
Gate Current, I_G	7.1 mA
Storage Temperature Range	-65°C to +150°C
Case Operating Temperature Range	-40°C to +85°C
Channel Operating Temperature Range, T_{CH}	-40°C to +225°C
Absolute Maximum Channel Temperature	+250°C

5. Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.
6. MACOM does not recommend sustained operation above maximum operating conditions.
7. Operating at drain source voltage $V_{DS} < 55$ V will ensure $MTTF > 2 \times 10^6$ hours.
8. Operating at nominal conditions with $T_{CH} \leq 225^\circ\text{C}$ will ensure $MTTF > 2 \times 10^6$ hours.
9. MTTF may be estimated by the expression $MTTF \text{ (hours)} = A e^{[B + C/(T+273)]}$ where T is the channel temperature in degrees Celsius, $A = 1$, $B = -38.215$, and $C = 26,343$.

Thermal Characteristics¹⁰

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Typical	Units
Thermal Resistance using Finite Element Analysis	$V_{DS} = 50$ V $T_C = 85^\circ\text{C}, T_{CH} = 225^\circ\text{C}$	$R_{\theta}(\text{FEA})$	4.26	°C/W
Thermal Resistance using Infrared Measurement of Die Surface Temperature	$V_{DS} = 50$ V $T_C = 85^\circ\text{C}, T_{CH} = 225^\circ\text{C}$	$R_{\theta}(\text{IR})$	3.41	°C/W

10. 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

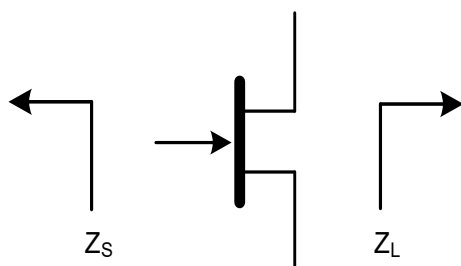
Gallium Nitride Circuits are sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD) and can be damaged by static electricity. Proper ESD control techniques should be used when handling these devices.

**Pulsed⁴ 50 V Load-Pull Performance
Reference Plane at Device Leads**

Frequency (MHz)	Z _{SOURCE} (Ω)	Maximum Output Power					
		V _{DS} = 50 V, I _{DQ} = 130 mA, T _C = 25°C, P2.5dB					
		Z _{LOAD} ¹¹ (Ω)	Gain (dB)	P _{OUT} (dBm)	P _{OUT} (W)	η _D (%)	AM/PM (°)
600	47.6 + j9.4	F0: 15.7 + j8.0 2F0: 20.1 + j83.2	17.5	48.7	74.1	68.9	134.5
800	38.5 + j21.4	F0: 14.8 + j6.9 2F0: 8.9 + j49.8	17.5	48.8	75.9	67.6	108.7
1000	26.5 + j17.4	F0: 14.3 + j7.0 2F0: 7.9 + j51.1	17.2	48.7	74.1	66.6	80.5
1200	22.6 + j9.3	F0: 12.6 + j6.1 2F0: 10.1 + j50.5	15.6	48.8	75.9	65.2	56.5
1400	25.0 + j3.55	F0: 12.2 + j5.7 2F0: 12.2 + j50.6	13.4	48.6	72.4	64.0	35.0

Frequency (MHz)	Z _{SOURCE} (Ω)	Maximum Drain Efficiency					
		V _{DS} = 50 V, I _{DQ} = 130 mA, T _C = 25°C, P2.5dB					
		Z _{LOAD} ¹² (Ω)	Gain (dB)	P _{OUT} (dBm)	P _{OUT} (W)	η _D (%)	AM/PM (°)
600	41.6 + j11.1	F0: 23.5 + j23.4 2F0: 20.1 + j83.2	18.2	46.6	45.7	80.2	123.1
800	35.2 + j17.4	F0: 19.7 + j20.1 2F0: 8.9 + j49.8	18.3	47.0	50.1	78.4	95.9
1000	26.8 + j12.4	F0: 17.1 + j20.1 2F0: 7.9 + j51.1	17.6	46.7	46.8	77.1	66.6
1200	25.2 + j6.0	F0: 14.7 + j17.1 2F0: 10.1 + j50.5	15.8	47.1	51.3	76.6	42.3
1400	27.5 + j2.1	F0: 11.7 + j16.6 2F0: 12.2 + j50.6	13.5	46.8	47.9	75.6	20.7

Impedance Reference



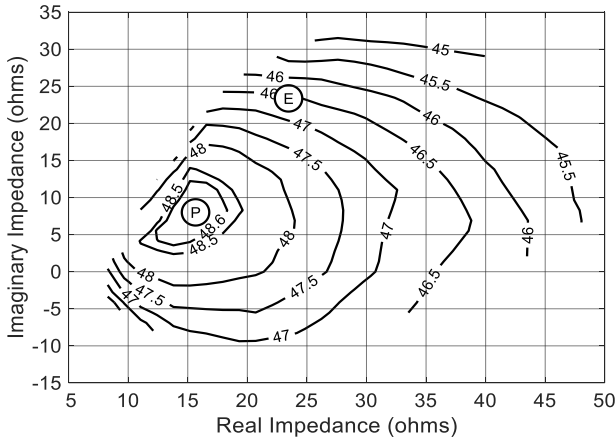
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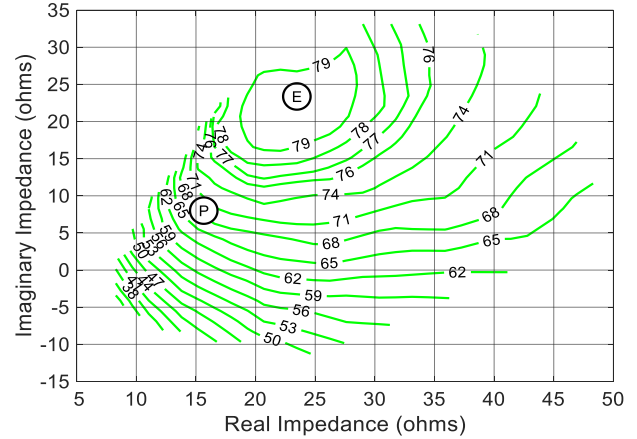
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Pulsed⁴ 50 V Load-Pull Performance at 600 MHz

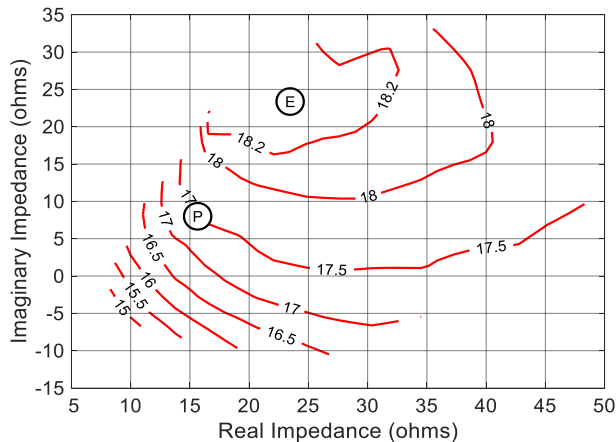
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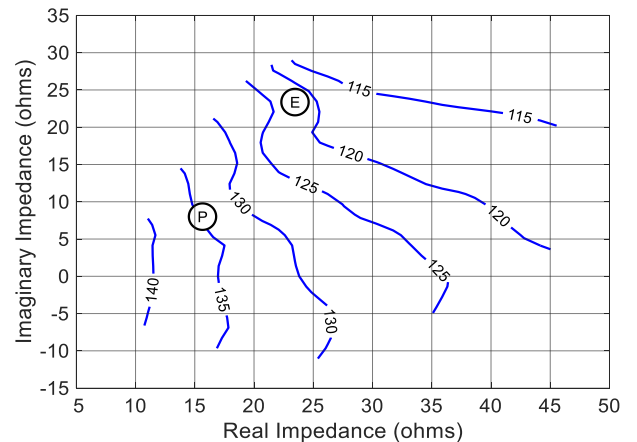
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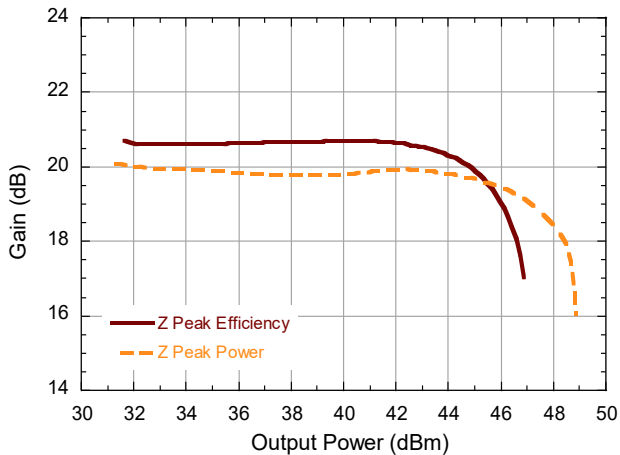
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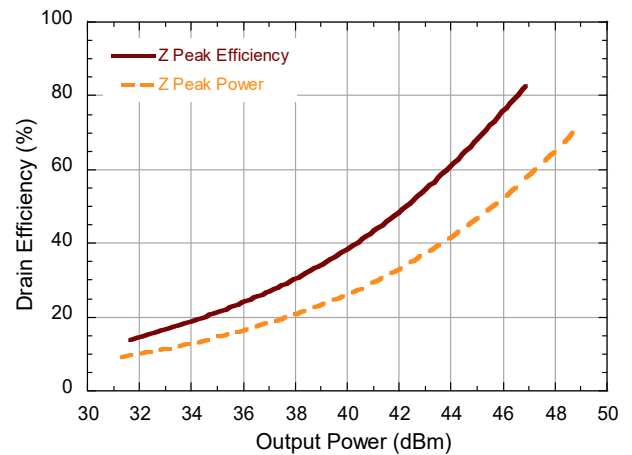
P2.5dB Loadpull AM/PM Contours (°)



Gain vs. Output Power

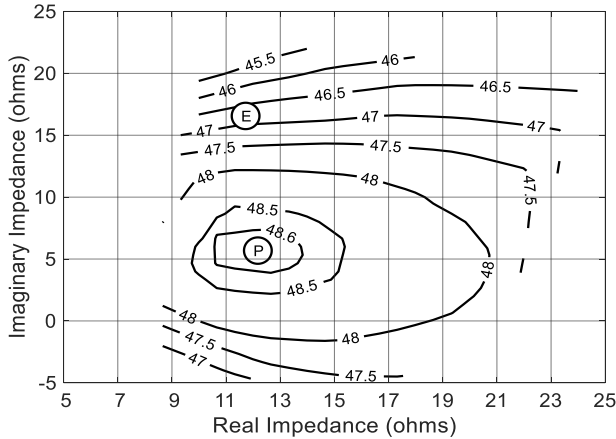


Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power

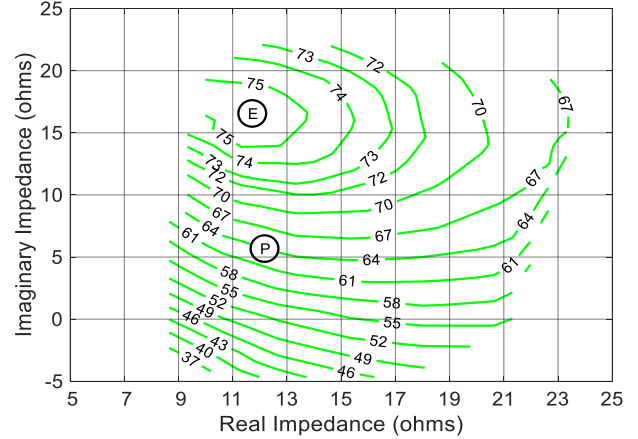


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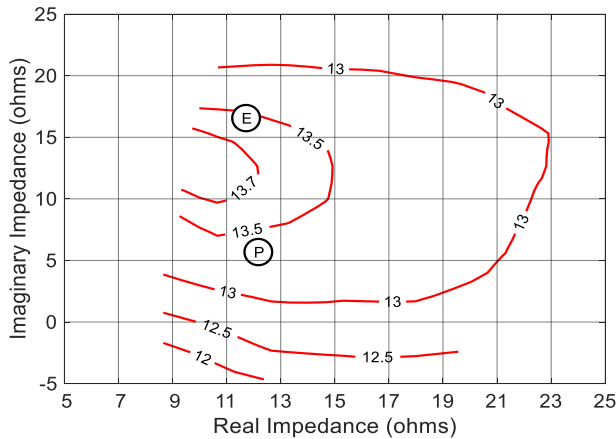
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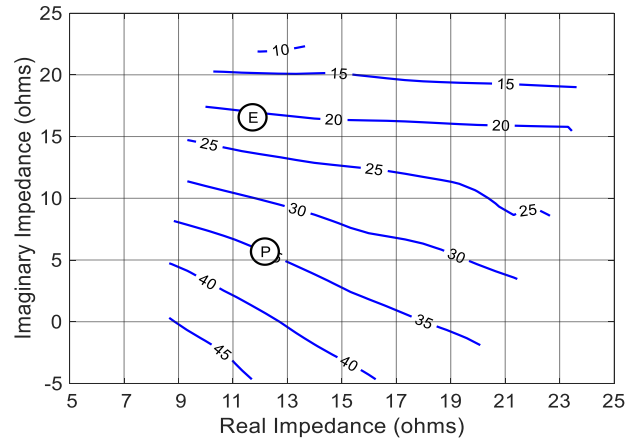
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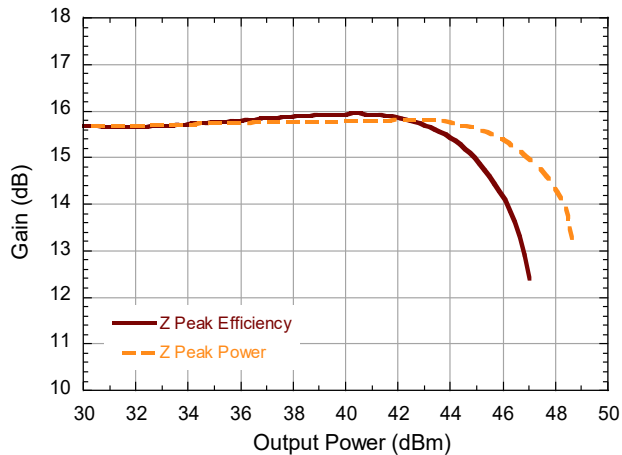
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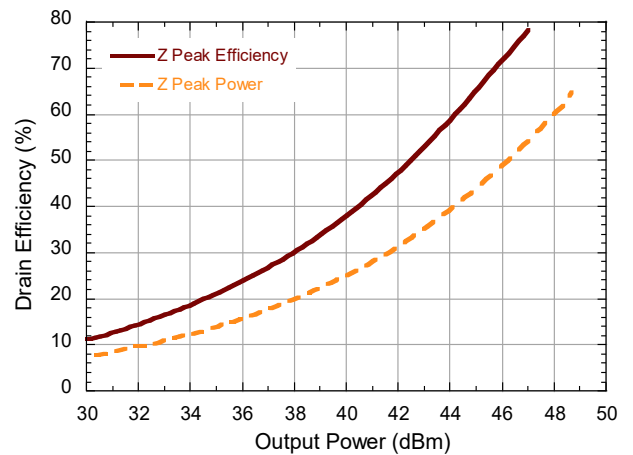
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Gain vs. Output Power



Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power

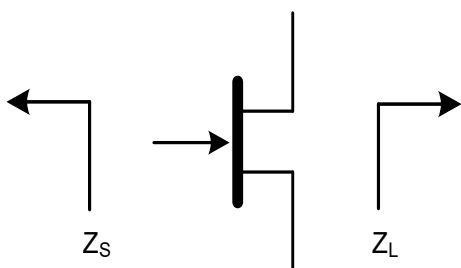


**Pulsed⁴ 28 V Load-Pull Performance
Reference Plane at Device Leads**

Frequency (MHz)	Z _{SOURCE} (Ω)	Maximum Output Power					
		V _{DS} = 28 V, I _{DQ} = 130 mA, T _C = 25°C, P2.5dB					
		Z _{LOAD} ¹¹ (Ω)	Gain (dB)	P _{OUT} (dBm)	P _{OUT} (W)	η _D (%)	AM/PM (°)
600	48.7 + j13.7	F0: 8.8 + j6.7 2F0: 67.7 + j165	15.9	45.9	38.9	66.9	138.1
800	37.0 + j21.9	F0: 8.6 + j5.1 2F0: 17.4 + j87.5	16.2	45.9	38.9	65.0	111.7
1000	24.3 + j16.5	F0: 8.5 + j3.9 2F0: 8.7 + j50.7	15.8	45.9	38.9	65.3	84.3
1200	22.0 + j8.2	F0: 8.1 + j2.7 2F0: 9.2 + j50.7	14.0	46.0	39.8	64.4	59.8
1400	24.3 + j2.1	F0: 7.8 + j2.2 2F0: 10.2 + j50.0	11.7	45.8	38.0	62.5	39.5

Frequency (MHz)	Z _{SOURCE} (Ω)	Maximum Drain Efficiency					
		V _{DS} = 28 V, I _{DQ} = 130 mA, T _C = 25°C, P2.5dB					
		Z _{LOAD} ¹² (Ω)	Gain (dB)	P _{OUT} (dBm)	P _{OUT} (W)	η _D (%)	AM/PM (°)
600	39.5 + j12.5	F0: 15.7 + j15.7 2F0: 67.7 + j165	16.6	43.4	21.9	77.6	119.3
800	32.7 + j13.2	F0: 15.0 + j14.0 2F0: 17.4 + j87.5	16.5	43.5	22.4	76.1	91.1
1000	26.6 + j9.9	F0: 12.7 + j12.5 2F0: 8.7 + j50.7	15.7	43.5	22.4	75.2	62.3
1200	25.5 + j4.5	F0: 11.2 + j10.7 2F0: 9.2 + j50.7	13.8	43.8	24.0	75.6	38.9
1400	27.7 + j1.3	F0: 9.7 + j9.7 2F0: 10.2 + j50.0	11.5	43.8	24.0	74.5	21.1

Impedance Reference



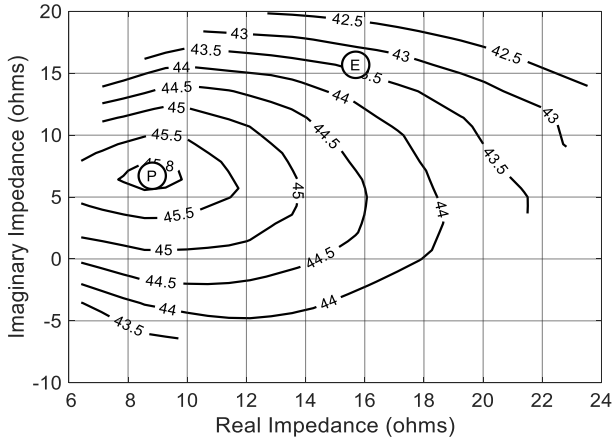
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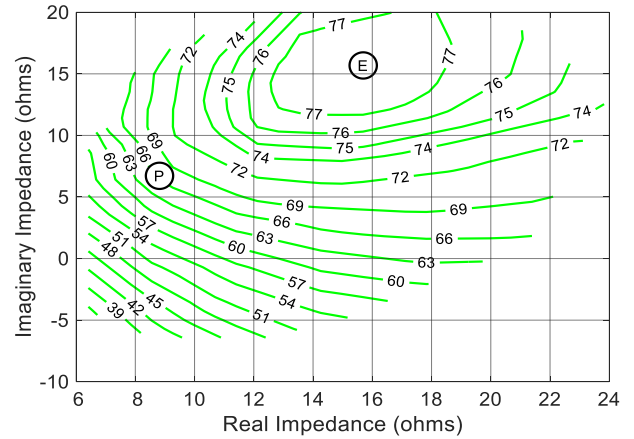
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Pulsed⁴ 28 V Load-Pull Performance at 600 MHz

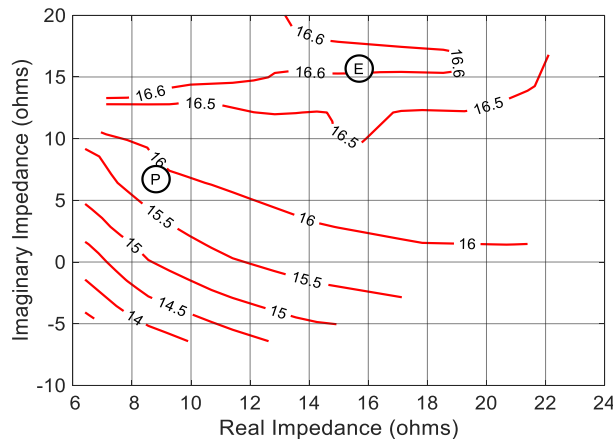
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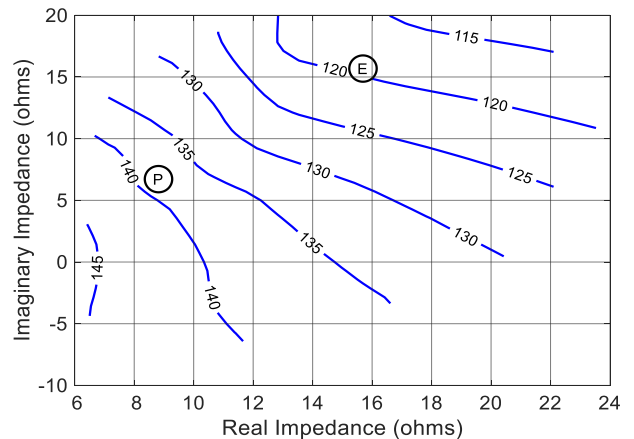
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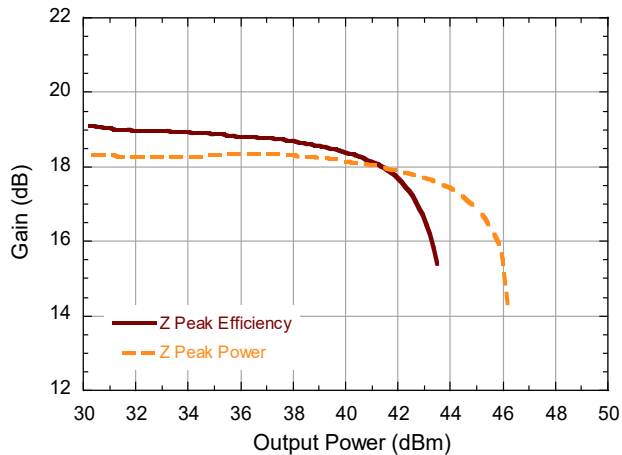
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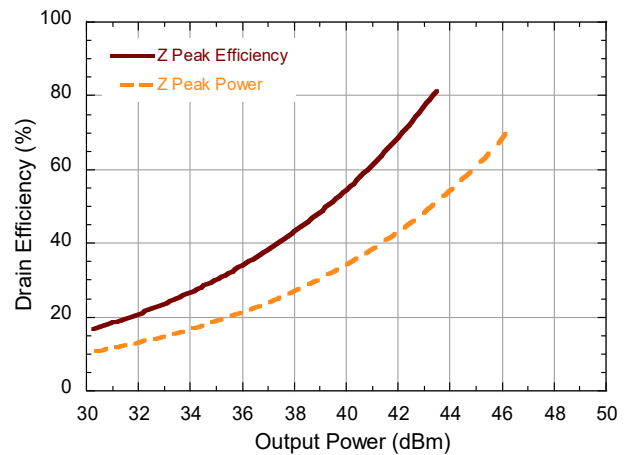
P2.5dB Loadpull AM/PM Contours (°)



Gain vs. Output Power

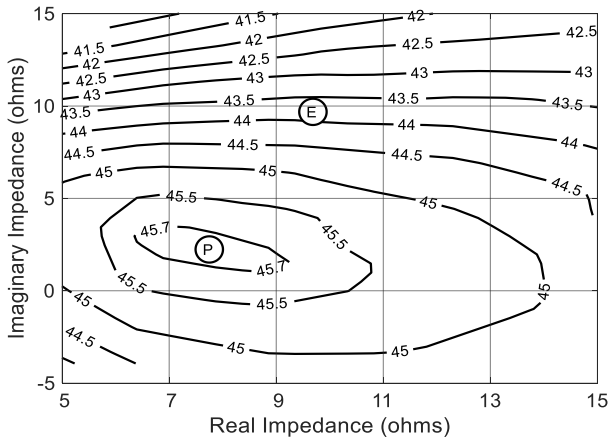


Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power

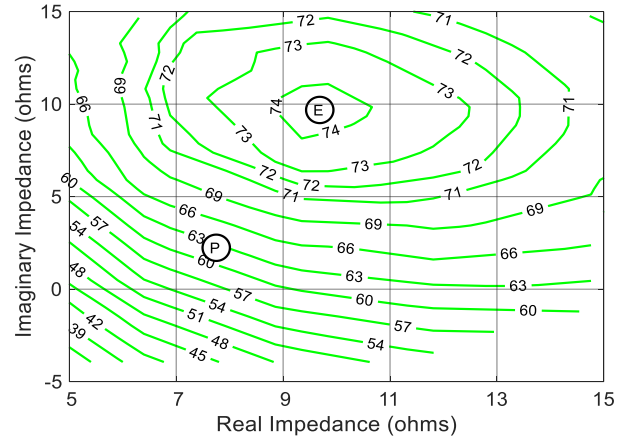


Pulsed⁴ 28 V Load-Pull Performance at 1400 MHz

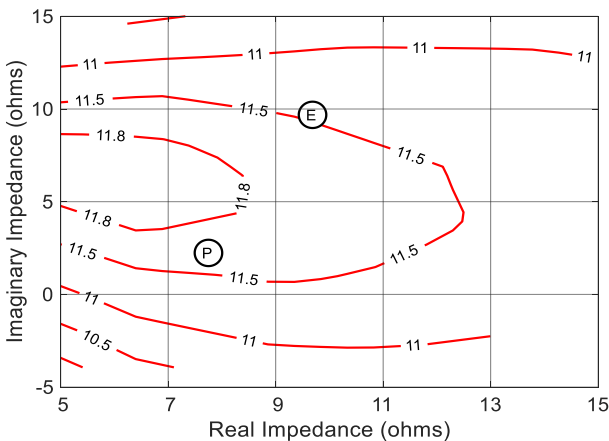
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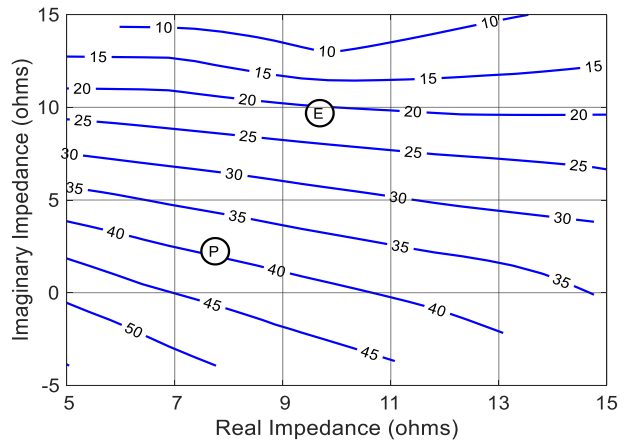
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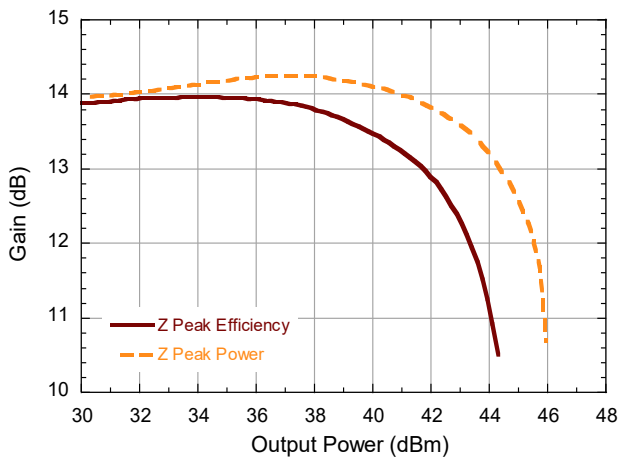
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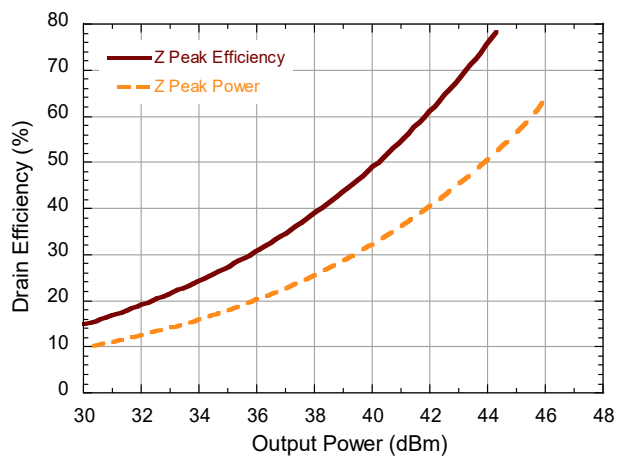
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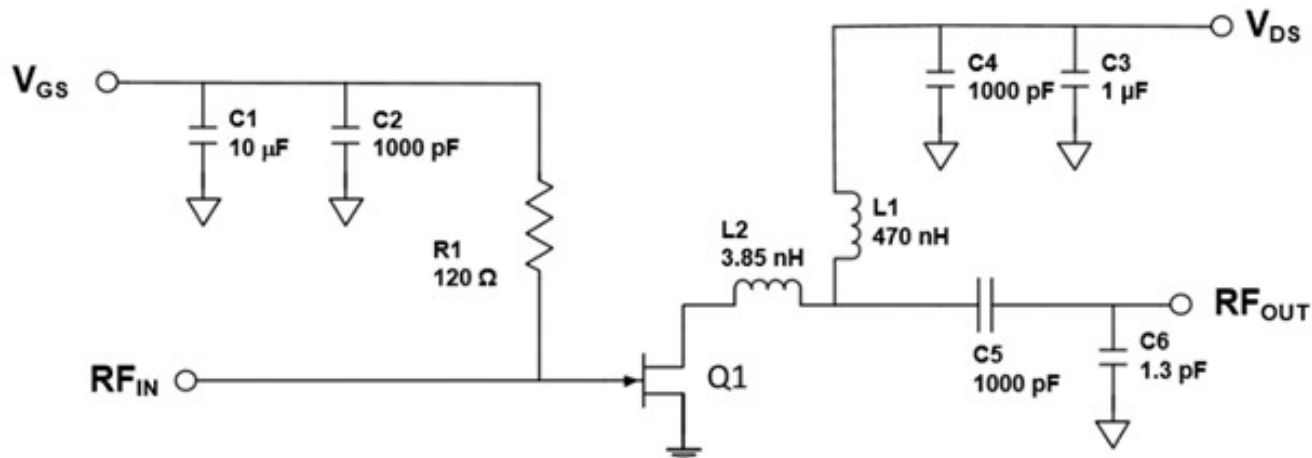
Gain vs. Output Power



Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power



Evaluation Test Fixture and Recommended Tuning Solution 30 - 1400 MHz



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.

Bias Sequencing

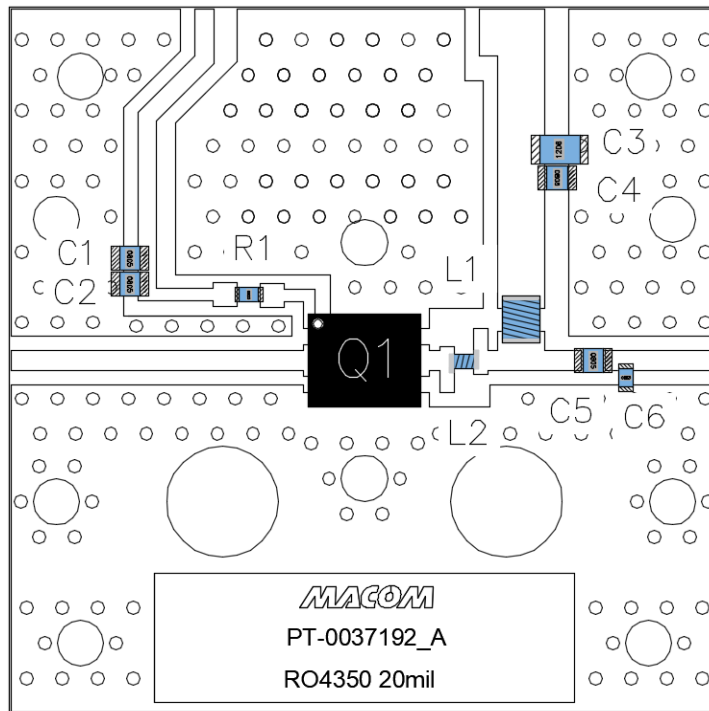
Turning the device ON

1. Set V_{GS} to pinch-off (V_P).
2. Turn on V_{DS} to nominal voltage (50 V).
3. Increase V_{GS} until 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 pinch-off.
3. Decrease V_{DS} down to 0 V.
4. Turn off V_{GS} .

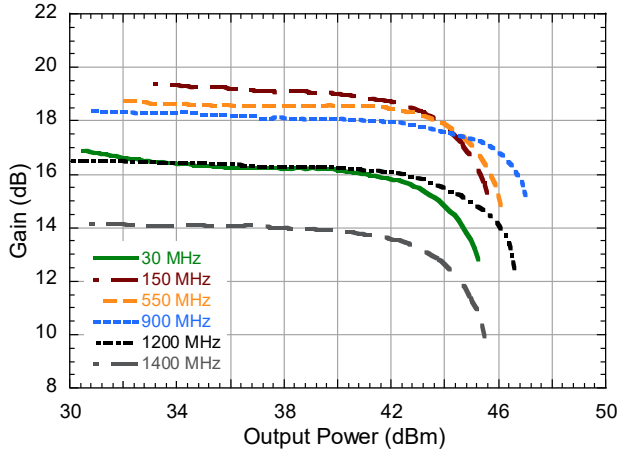
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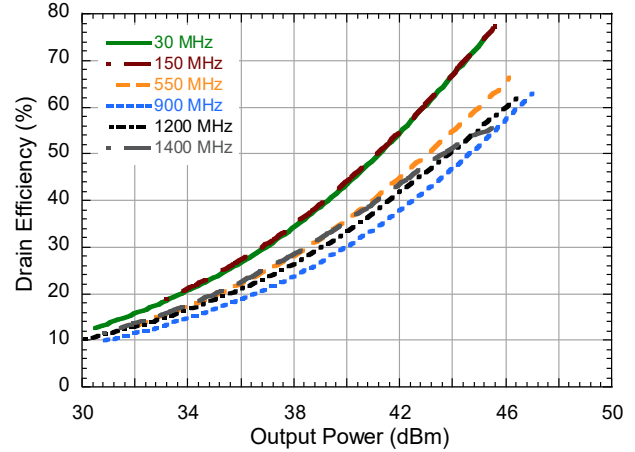
Reference Designator	Value	Tolerance	Manufacturer	Part Number
C1	10 μ F	+/- 10 %	Murata	GRM21BC71E106KE11L
C2, C4, C5	1000 pF	+/- 5 %	Murata	GRM219R72A102JA01D
C3	1 μ F	+/- 10 %	Murata	GRM32CR72A105KA35L
C6	1.3 pF	+/- 0.1 pF	Johanson	251R14S1R3BV4T
R1	120 Ω	+/- 25 %	Fair-Rite	2506031217Y0
L1	470 nH	+/- 5 %	CoilCraft	1008CS-471XJRC
L2	3.85 nH	+/- 5 %	CoilCraft	0906-4JLC
Q1	MACOM GaN Power Amplifier		MAPC-A1001	
PCB	RO4350, 20 mil, 0.5 oz. Cu, Au Finish			

Typical Performance Curves as Measured in the 30 - 1400 MHz Evaluation Test Fixture:
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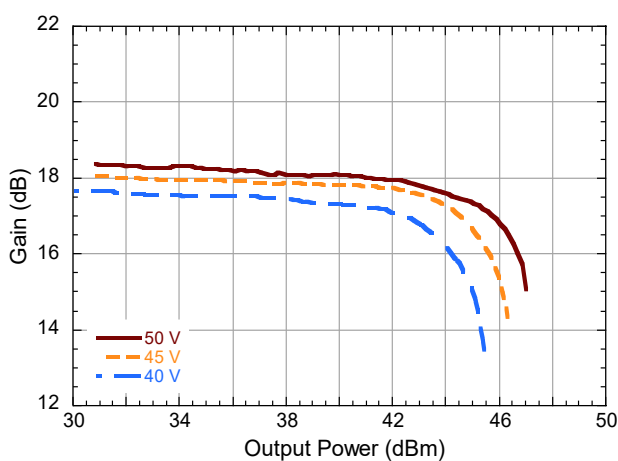
Gain vs. Output Power and Frequency



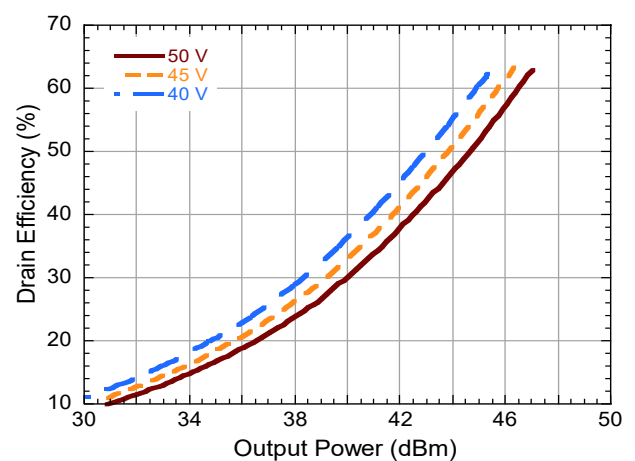
Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power and Frequency



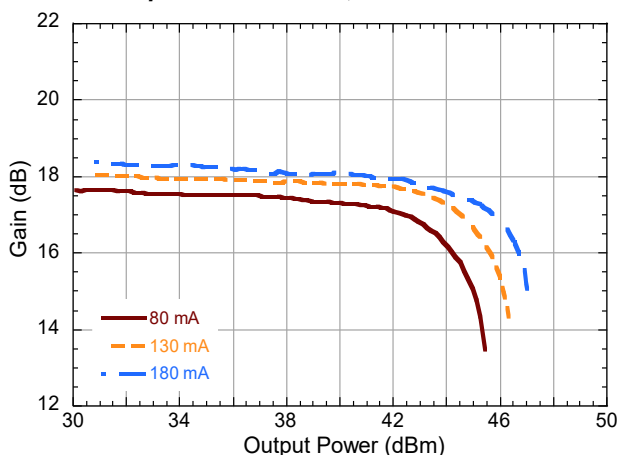
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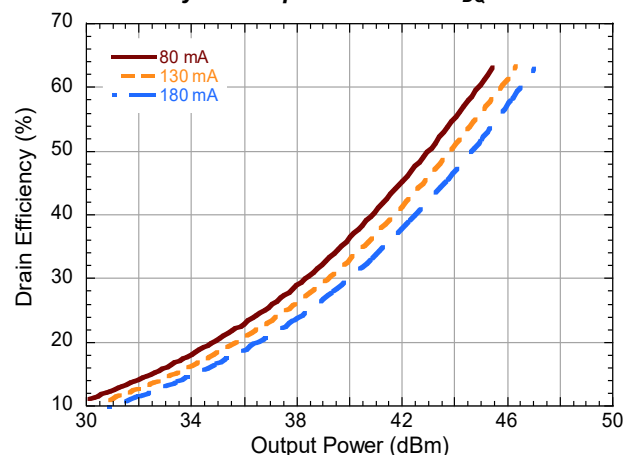
Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power and V_{DS}



Gain vs. Output Power and I_{DQ}

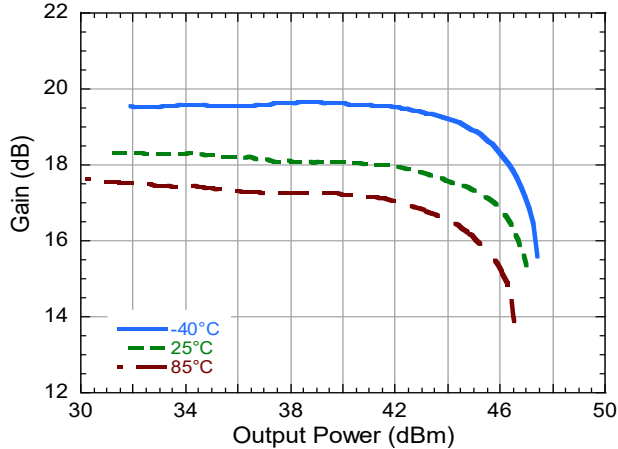


Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power and I_{DQ}

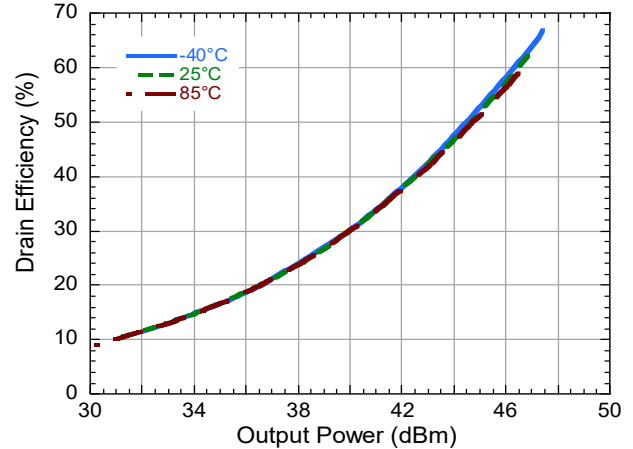


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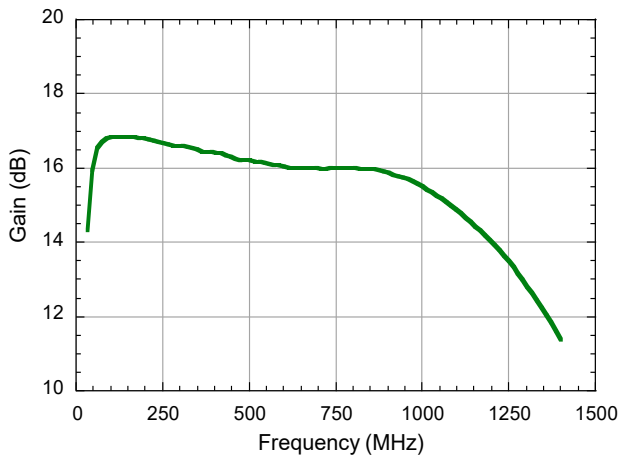
Gain vs. Output Power and T_C



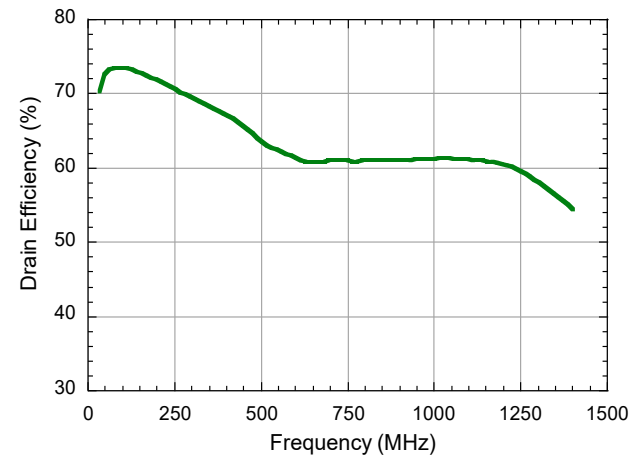
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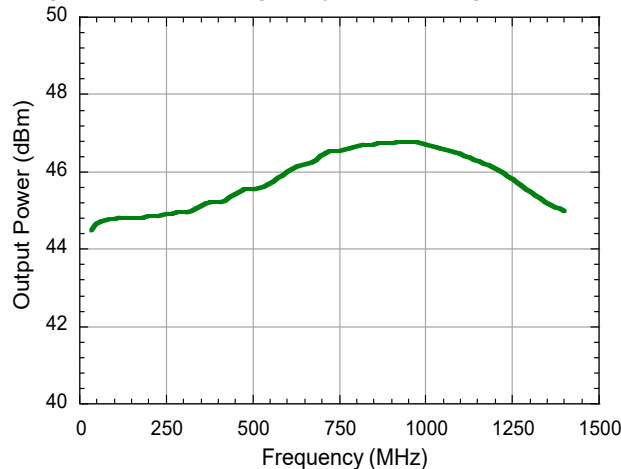
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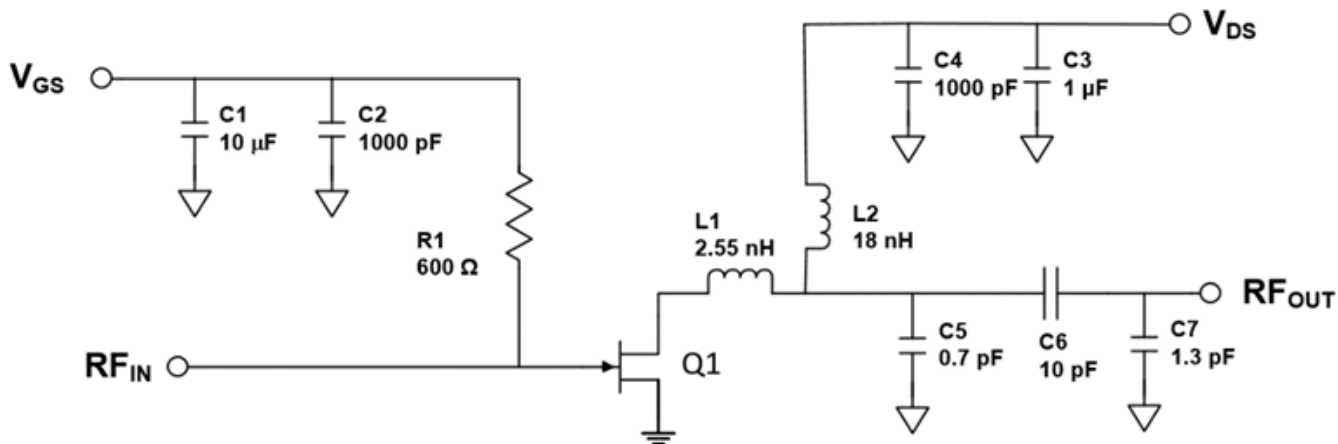
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Output Power vs. Frequency, 2.5dB Compression



Evaluation Test Fixture and Recommended Tuning Solution 1200 - 1400 MHz



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.

Bias Sequencing

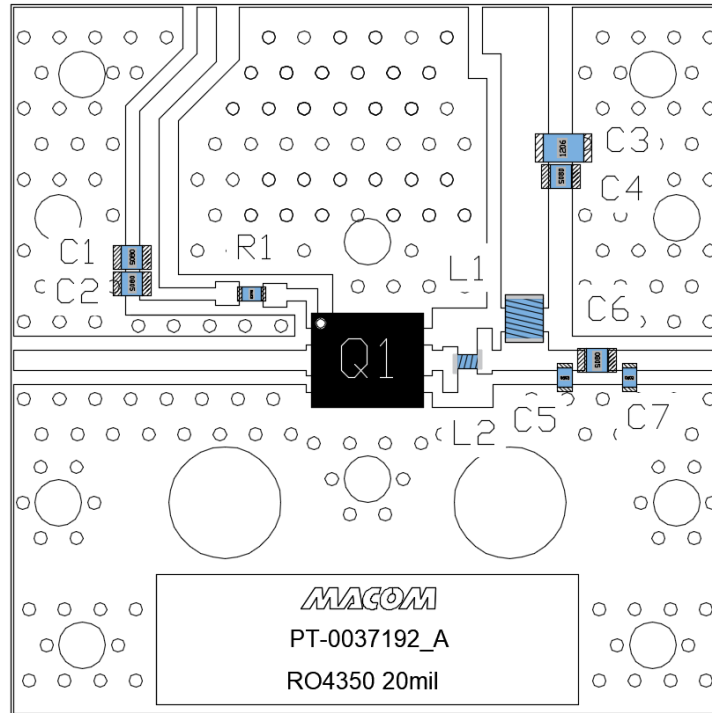
Turning the device ON

1. Set V_{GS} to pinch-off (V_P).
2. Turn on V_{DS} to nominal voltage (50 V).
3. Increase V_{GS} until 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 pinch-off.
3. Decrease V_{DS} down to 0 V.
4. Turn off V_{GS} .

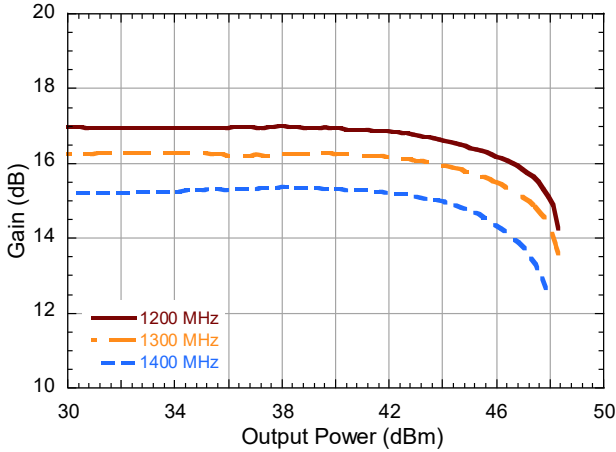
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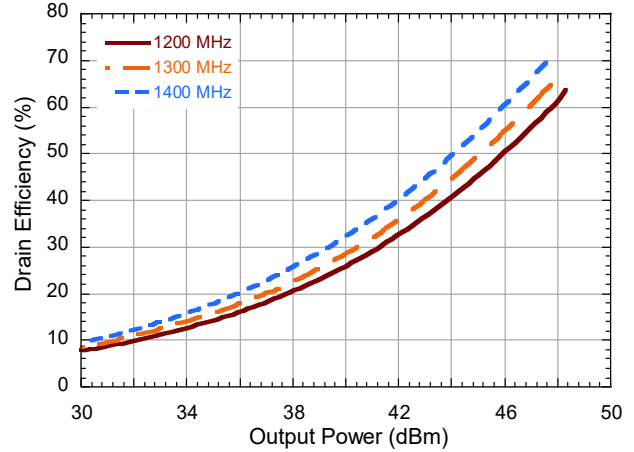
Reference Designator	Value	Tolerance	Manufacturer	Part Number
C1	10 μ F	+/- 10 %	Murata	GRM21BC71E106KE11L
C2, C4,	1000 pF	+/- 5 %	Murata	GRM219R72A102JA01D
C3	1 μ F	+/- 10 %	Murata	GRM32CR72A105KA35L
C5	0.7 pF	+/- 0.1 pF	Johanson	251R14S0R7BV4T
C6	8.2 pF	+/- 0.1 pF	Johanson	251R15S8R2CV4E
C7	1.3 pF	+/- 0.1 pF	Johanson	251R14S1R3BV4T
R1	600 Ω	+/- 25 %	Fair-Rite	2506036017Y0
L1	18 nH	+/- 5 %	CoilCraft	1008CS-180XJRC
L2	2.55 nH	+/- 5 %	CoilCraft	0906-3JLC
Q1	MACOM GaN Power Amplifier			MAPC-A1001
PCB	RO4350, 20 mil, 0.5 oz. Cu, Au Finish			

Typical Performance Curves as Measured in the 1200 - 1400 MHz Evaluation Test Fixture:
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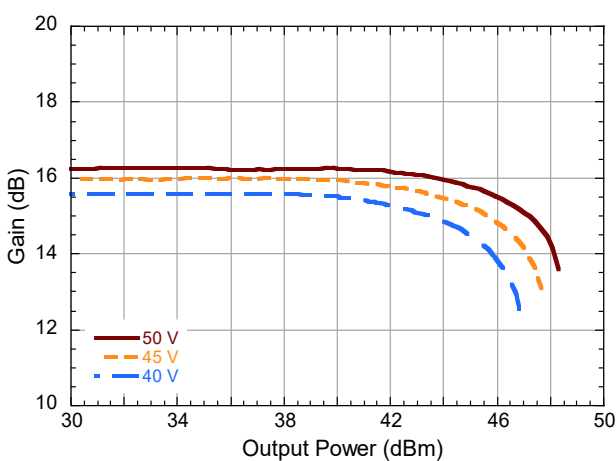
Gain vs. Output Power and Frequency



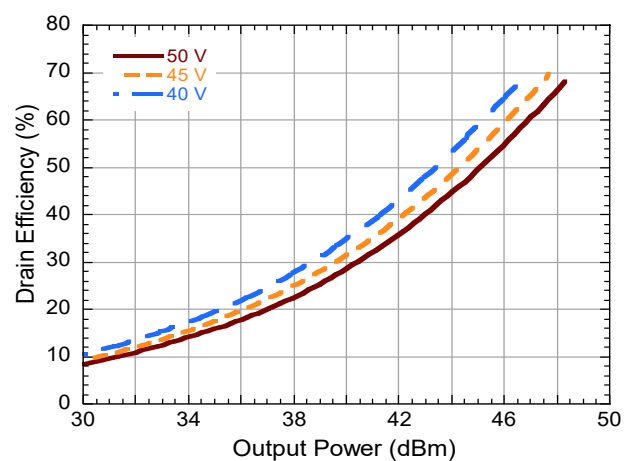
Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power and Frequency



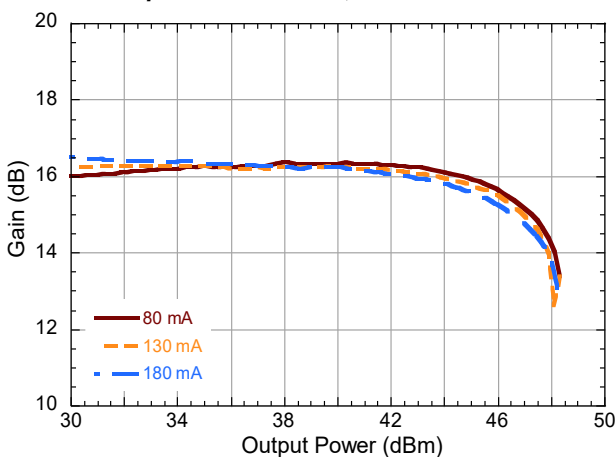
Gain vs. Output Power and V_{DS}



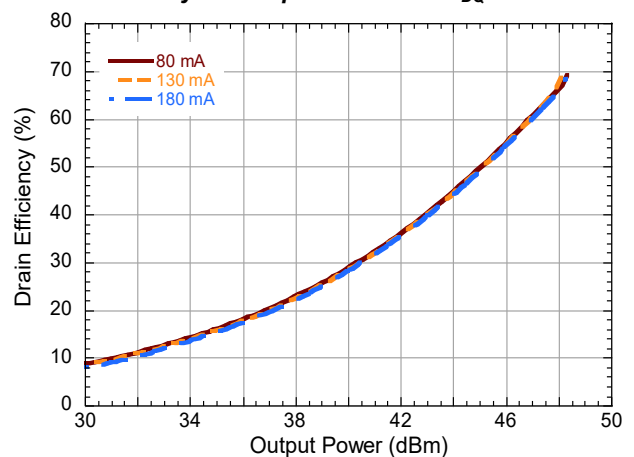
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Gain vs. Output Power and I_{DQ}

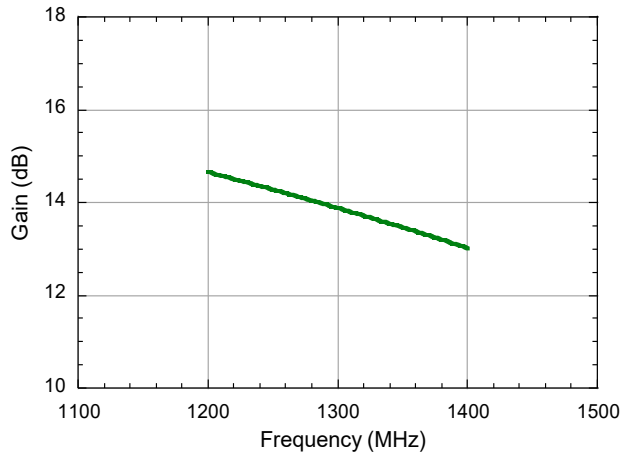


Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power and I_{DQ}

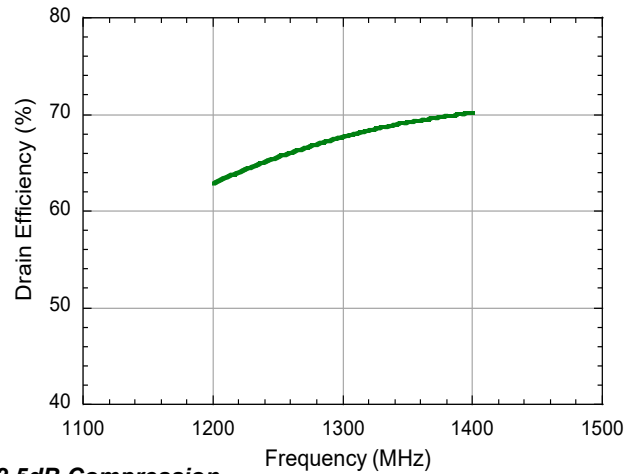


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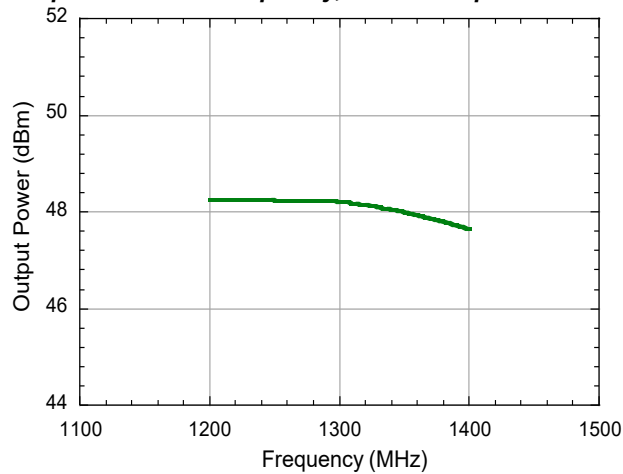
Gain vs. Frequency, 2.5dB Compression



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Output Power vs. Frequency, 2.5dB Compression



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