QPD1008

125W, 50V, DC – 3.2 GHz, GaN RF Transistor

General Description

The QPD1008 is a 125 W (P_{3dB}) wideband unmatched discrete GaN on SiC HEMT which operates from DC to 3.2 GHz with a 50V supply rail. The device is in an industry standard air cavity package and is ideally suited for military and civilian radar, land mobile and military radio communications, avionics, and test instrumentation. The device can support pulsed, CW, and linear operation.

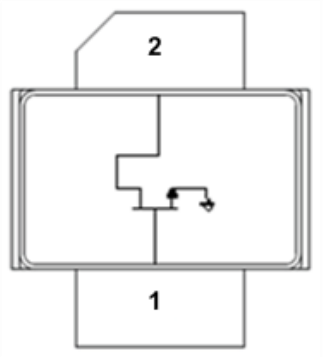
Lead-free and ROHS compliant
Evaluation boards are available upon request.



QPD1008PCB4B01 Performance

Freq.(GHz)	P_{3dB}(W)	G_{3dB}(dB)	DE_{3dB}(%)
0.96	102.1	17.7	56.9
1.00	114.1	18.0	70.8
1.09	131.6	17.6	78.5
1.18	131.6	17.0	64.4
1.215	127.0	16.5	61.1

Functional Block Diagram



Product Features

- Frequency: DC to 3.2 GHz
- Output Power (P_{3dB})[1]: 162 W
- Gain (P_{3dB})[1]: 17.5 dB
- Drain Efficiency (P_{3dB})[1]: 62.1%
- Operating Voltage: 50 V
- Low thermal resistance package
- CW and Pulse capable

Note 1: Load Pull Performance @ 2 GHz

Applications

- Military radar
- Civilian radar
- Land mobile and military radio communications
- Test instrumenation
- Wideband or narrowband amplifiers
- Jammers
- Avionics

Ordering Information

Part No.	Description
QPD1008	DC – 3.2 GHz RF Transistor
QPD1008PCB4B01	0.96 – 1.215 GHz EVB
QPD1008EVB2	1.1 – 1.5 GHz EVB

Absolute Maximum Ratings[1]

Parameter	Rating	Units
Breakdown Voltage, BV_D	+145	V
Gate Voltage Range, V_G	-7 to +2	V
Drain Current, I_{DMAX}	20.4	A
Gate Current Range, I_G	See page 4.	mA
Power Dissipation, CW, P_{DISS}, Base Temperature = 85 °C	79	W
RF Input Power, CW, 50 Ω, T = 25 °C	+40	dBm
Mounting Temperature (30 Seconds)	320	°C
Storage Temperature	−40 to +150	°C

Notes:

1. . Operation of this device outside the parameter ranges given above may cause permanent damage.

Recommended Operating Conditions[1]

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Operating Temperature Range	−40	+25	+85	°C
Drain Voltage Range, V_D	+12	+50	+55	V
Drain Current, I_D[3]	–	4.0	–	A
Drain Bias Current, I_{DQ}	–	260	–	mA
Gate Voltage, V_G[4]	–	−2.8	–	V
Power Dissipation, CW (P_D)[2]	–	–	71	W
Power Dissipation, Pulsed (P_D)[2, 3]	–	–	127	W

Notes:

1. Electrical performance is measured under conditions noted in the electrical specifications table. Specifications are not guaranteed over all recommended operating conditions.
2. Package at 85 °C
3. Drain current at P3dB, Pulse Width = 128 uS, Duty Cycle = 10%
4. To be adjusted for desired I_{DQ}

Electrical Characterization

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Typical	Max	Units
Gate Leakage	V_D = +10 V, V_G = −3.8 V	−23.1	–	–	mA

Pulsed Characterization – Load-Pull Performance – Power Tuned[1]

Parameters	Typical Values			Unit
Frequency, F	1	2	3	GHz
Linear Gain, G_{LIN}	22.5	17.5	14.1	dB
Output Power at 3dB compression point, P_{3dB}	52.0	52.1	51.9	dBm
Drain Efficiency at 3dB compression point, $DEFF_{3dB}$	63.4	62.1	59.2	%
Gain at 3dB compression point	19.5	14.4	11.1	dB

Notes:
1. Test conditions unless otherwise noted: V_D = +50 V, I_D = 260 mA, Temp = +25 °C

Pulsed Characterization – Load-Pull Performance – Efficiency Tuned[1]

Parameters	Typical Values			Unit
Frequency	1	2	3	GHz
Linear Gain, G_{LIN}	23.5	18.6	15.2	dB
Output Power at 3dB compression point, P_{3dB}	48.2	50.2	51.0	dBm
Drain Efficiency at 3dB compression point, $DEFF_{3dB}$	76.2	74.6	69.7	%
Gain at 3dB compression point, G3dB	20.5	15.6	12.2	dB

Notes:
1. Test conditions unless otherwise noted: V_D = +50 V, I_{DQ} = 260 mA, Temp = +25 °C

RF Characterization – 0.96 – 1.215 GHz EVB Performance at 1.09 GHz[1]

Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Linear Gain, G_{LIN}	–	20	–	dB
Output Power at 3dB compression point, P3dB	–	51.2	–	dBm
Drain Efficiency at 3dB compression point, DEFF3dB	–	73.5	–	%
Gain at 3dB compression point, G3dB	–	17	–	dB

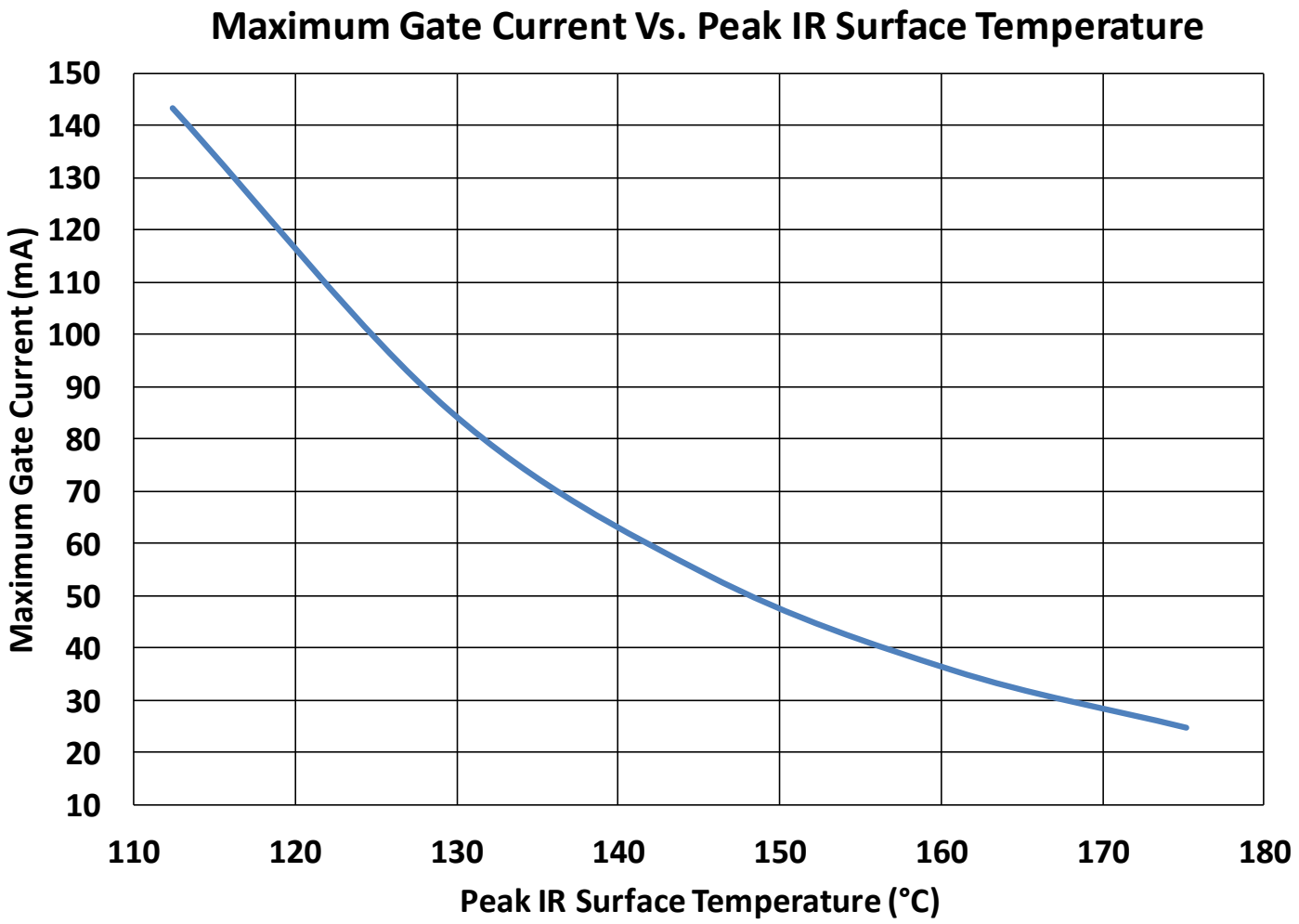
Notes:
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RF Characterization – Mismatch Ruggedness at 1.09 GHz

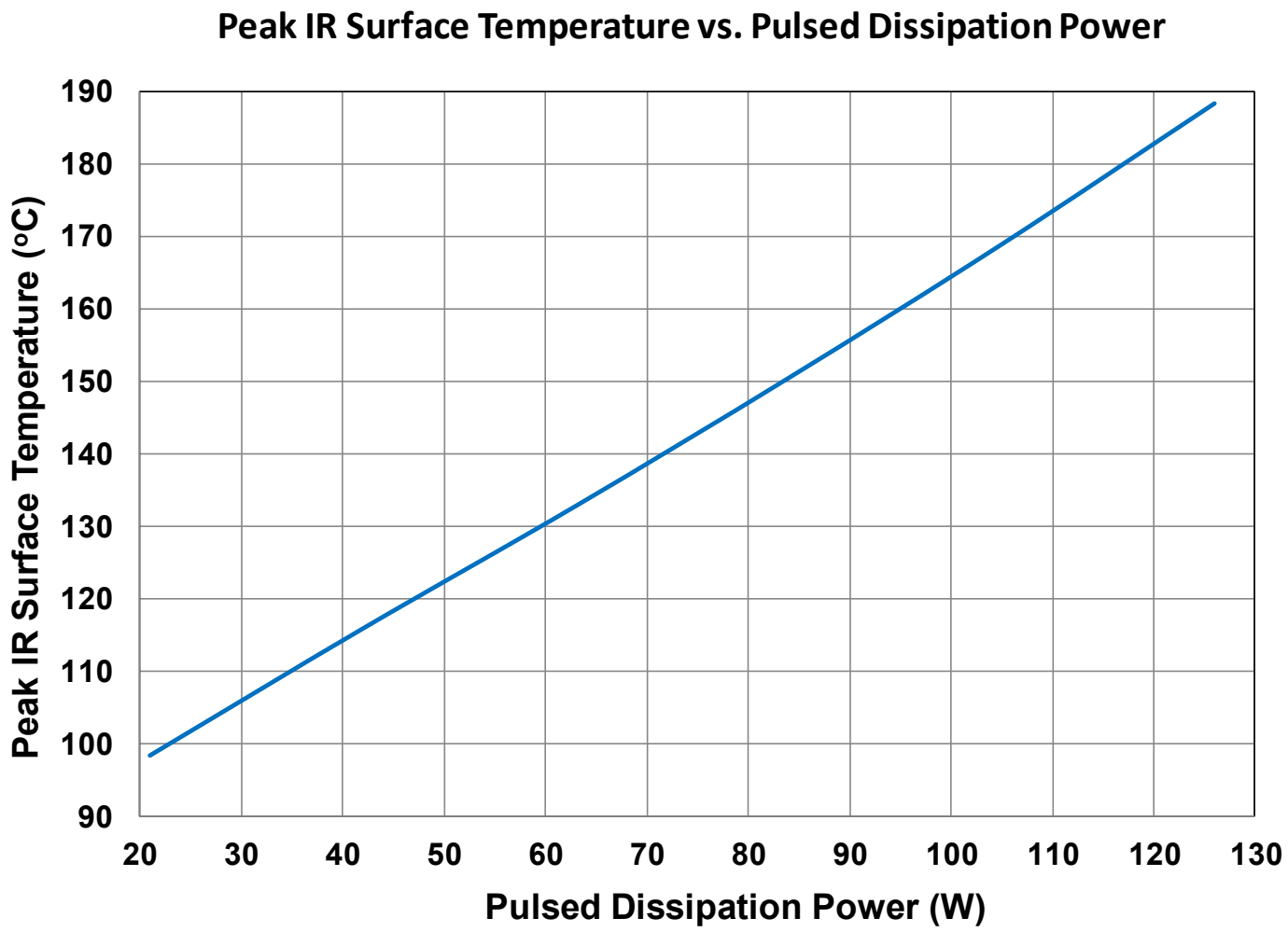
Symbol	Parameter	dB Compression	Typical
VSWR	Impedance Mismatch Ruggedness	3	10:1

Test conditions unless otherwise noted: T_A = 25 °C, V_D = 50 V, I_{DQ} = 260 mA
Driving input power is determined at pulsed 3dB compression under matched condition at EVB output connector.

Maximum Gate Current



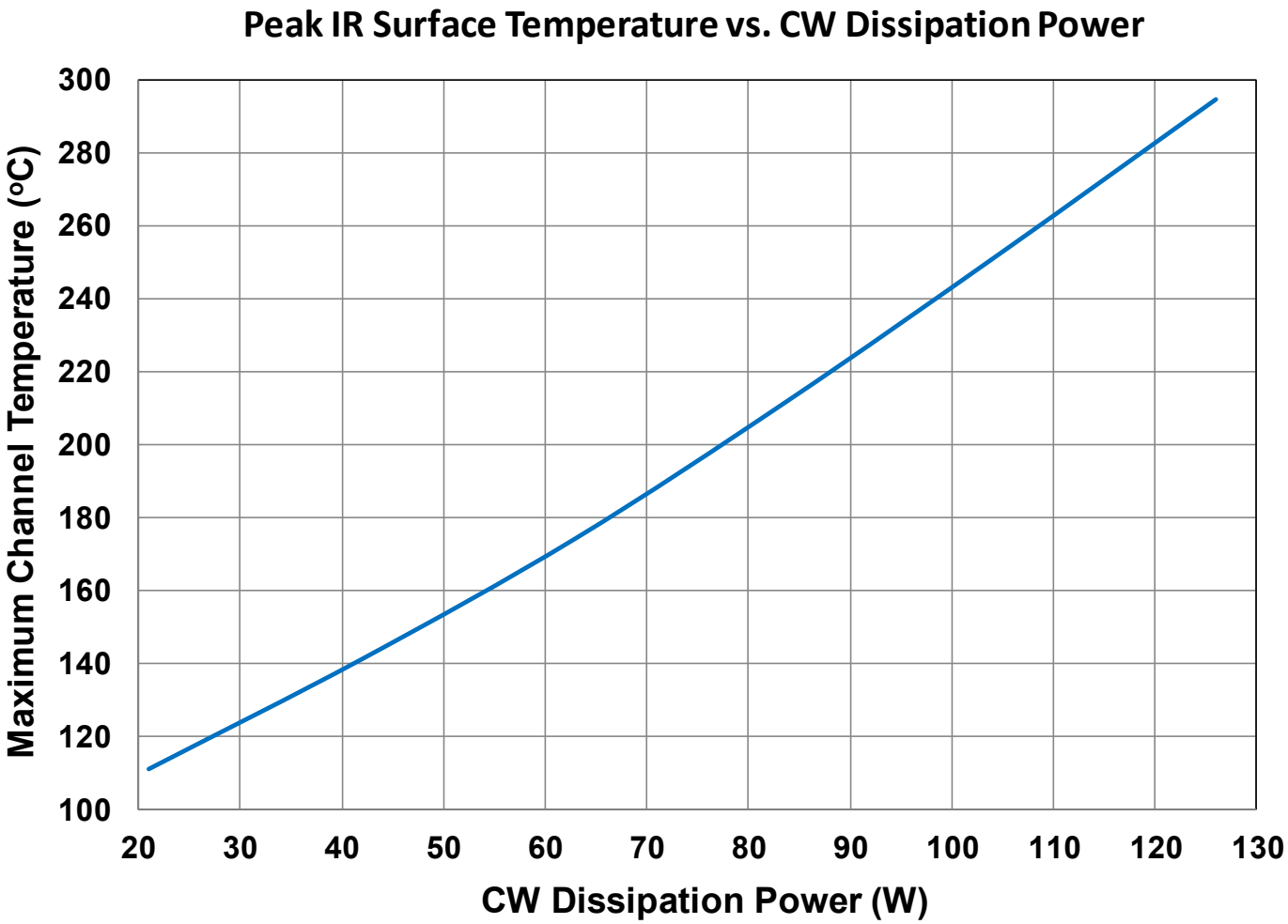
Thermal and Reliability Information – Pulsed



Parameter	Conditions	Values	Units
Thermal Resistance, IR[1] (θ_{JC})	85 °C Case 42 W Pdiss, 128 uS PW, 10% DC	0.74	°C/W
Peak IR Surface Temperature[1] (T_{CH})		116	°C
Thermal Resistance, IR[1] (θ_{JC})	85 °C Case 63 W Pdiss, 128 uS PW, 10% DC	0.76	°C/W
Peak IR Surface Temperature[1] (T_{CH})		133	°C
Thermal Resistance, IR[1] (θ_{JC})	85 °C Case 84 W Pdiss, 128 uS PW, 10% DC	0.77	°C/W
Peak IR Surface Temperature[1] (T_{CH})		150	°C
Thermal Resistance, IR[1] (θ_{JC})	85 °C Case 105 W Pdiss, 128 uS PW, 10% DC	0.80	°C/W
Peak IR Surface Temperature[1] (T_{CH})		169	°C
Thermal Resistance, IR[1] (θ_{JC})	85 °C Case 126 W Pdiss, 128 uS PW, 10% DC	0.82	°C/W
Peak IR Surface Temperature[1] (T_{CH})		188	°C

[1]Refer to the following document GaN Device Channel Temperature, Thermal Resistance, and Reliability Estimates

Thermal and Reliability Information – CW



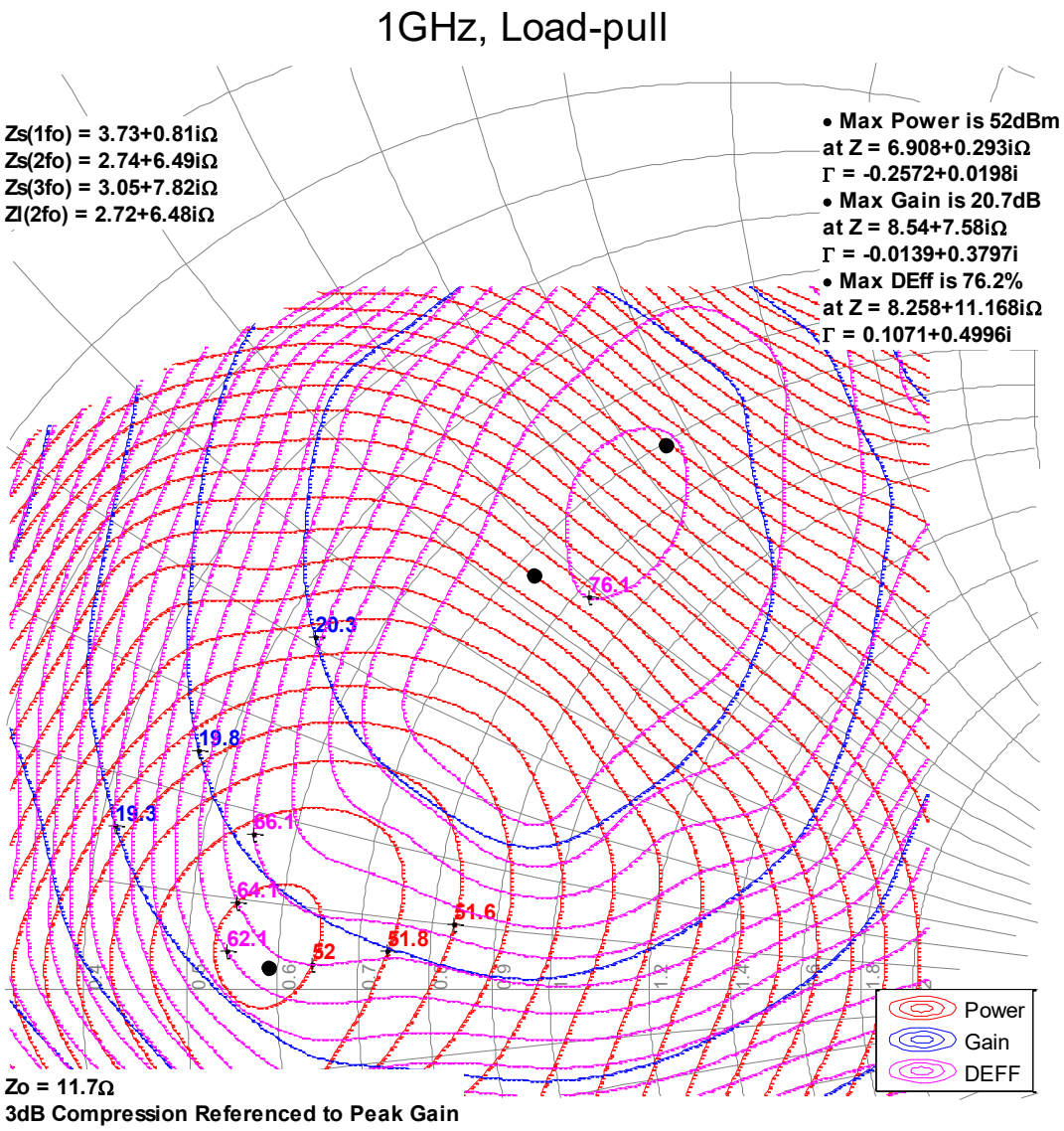
Parameter	Conditions	Values	Units
Thermal Resistance, IR[1] (θ_{JC})	85 °C Case 21 W Pdiss, CW	1.24	°C/W
Peak IR Surface Temperature[1] (T_{CH})		111	°C
Thermal Resistance, IR[1] (θ_{JC})	85 °C Case 42 W Pdiss, CW	1.33	°C/W
Peak IR Surface Temperature[1] (T_{CH})		141	°C
Thermal Resistance, IR[1] (θ_{JC})	85 °C Case 63 W Pdiss, CW	1.41	°C/W
Peak IR Surface Temperature[1] (T_{CH})		174	°C
Thermal Resistance, IR[1] (θ_{JC})	85 °C Case 84 W Pdiss, CW	1.51	°C/W
Peak IR Surface Temperature[1] (T_{CH})		212	°C
Thermal Resistance, IR[1] (θ_{JC})	85 °C Case 105 W Pdiss, CW	1.60	°C/W
Peak IR Surface Temperature[1] (T_{CH})		253	°C

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Load-Pull Smith Charts[1, 2]

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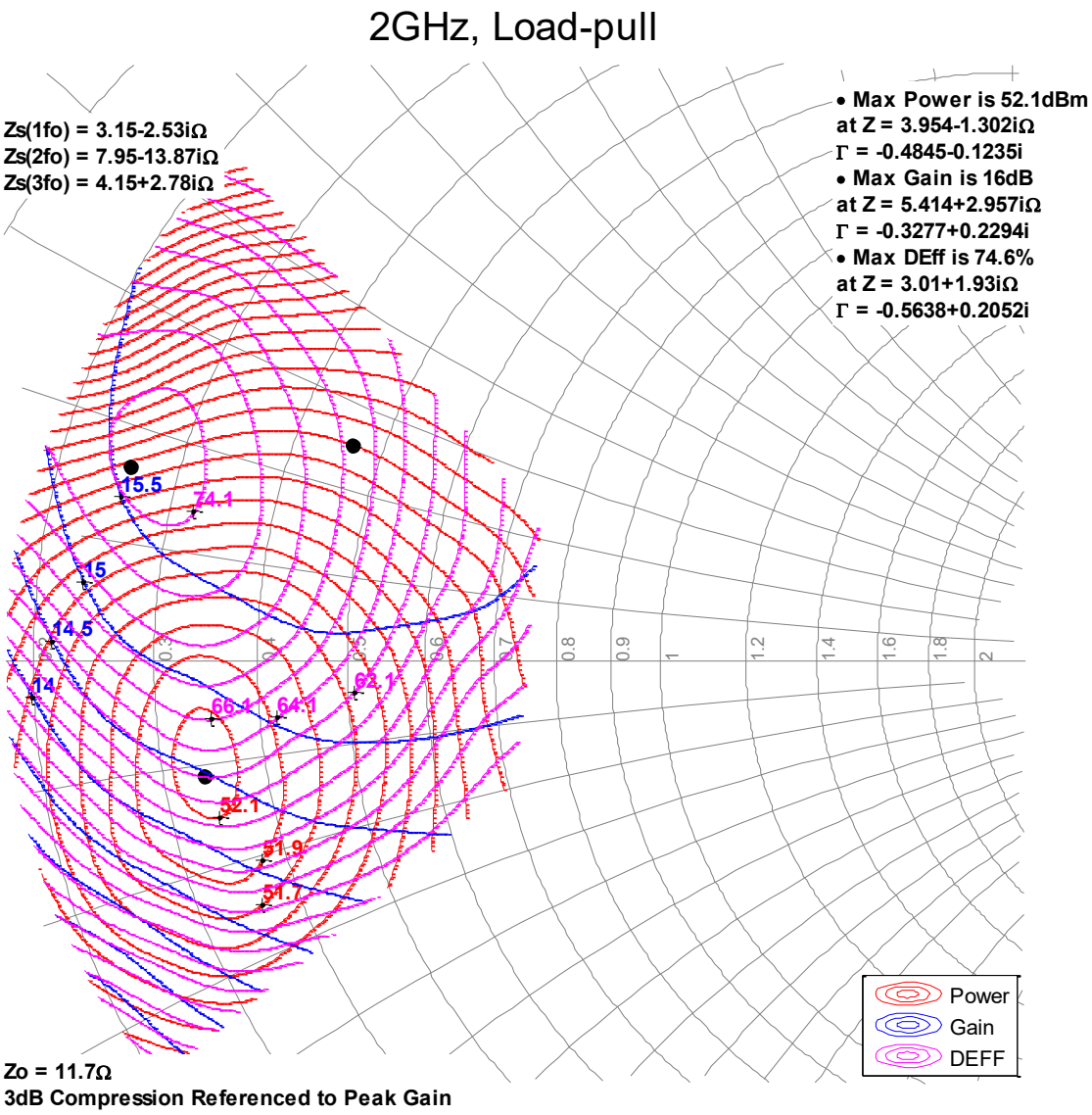
1. 50 V, 260 mA, Pulsed signal with 128 uS pulse width and 10 % duty cycle.
2. See page 17 for load-pull and source-pull reference planes. 11.7-Ω load-pull TRL fixtures are built with 32-mil RO4360G2 material.



Load-Pull Smith Charts[1, 2, 3]

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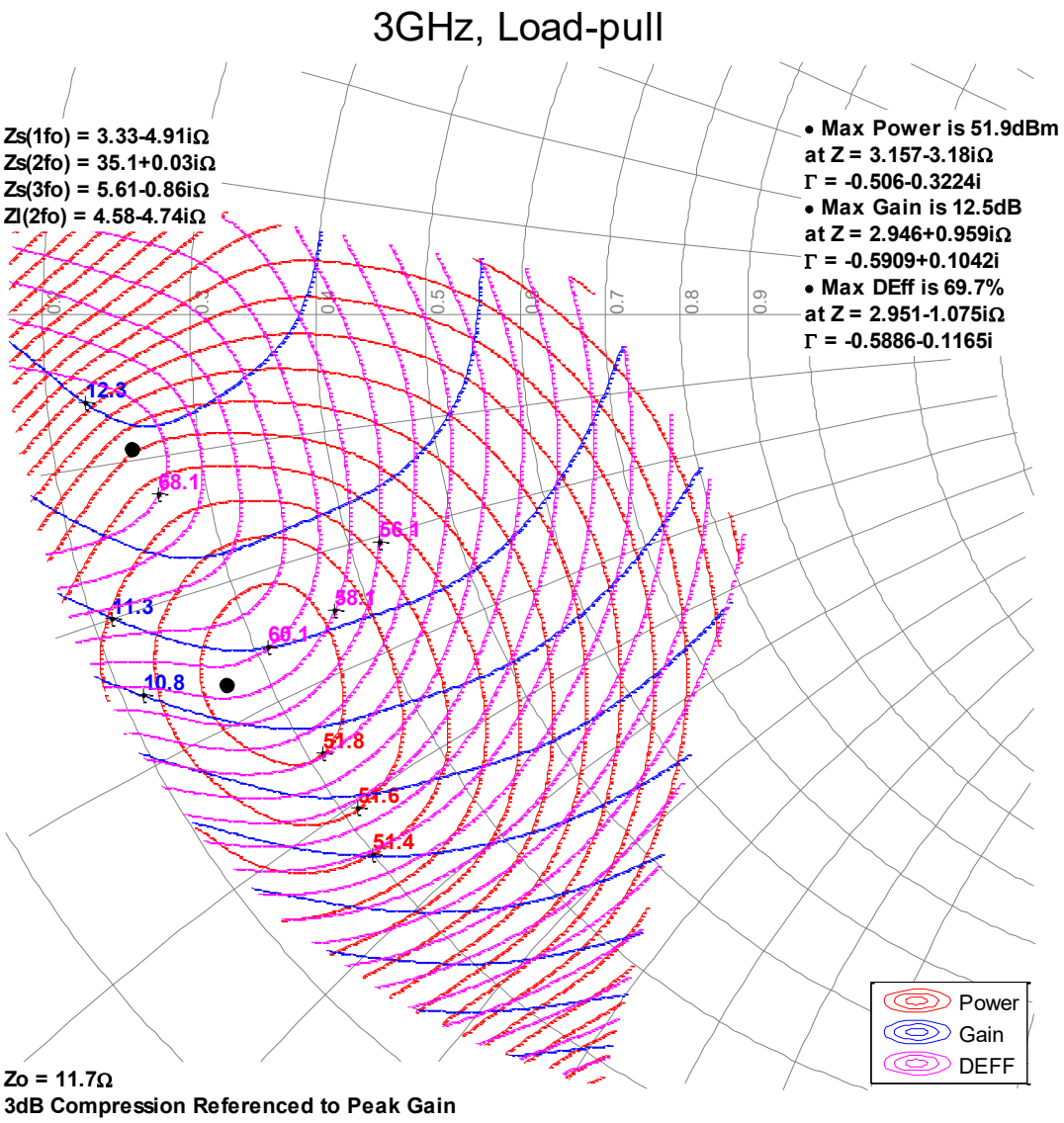
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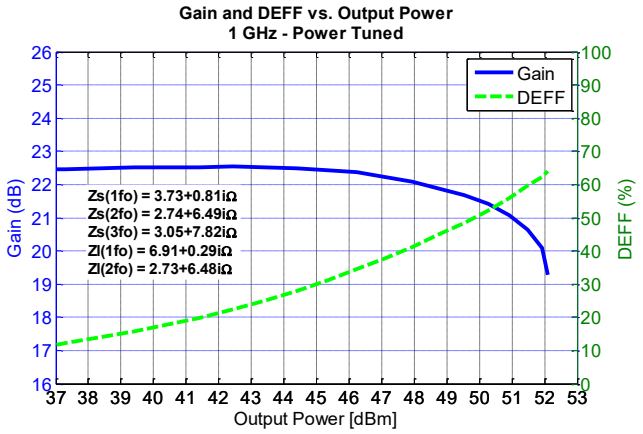
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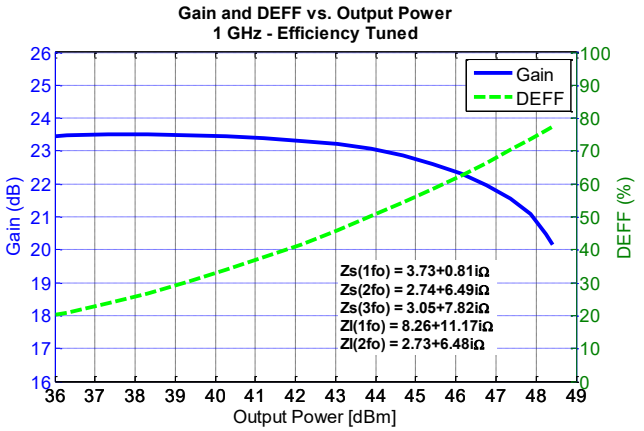
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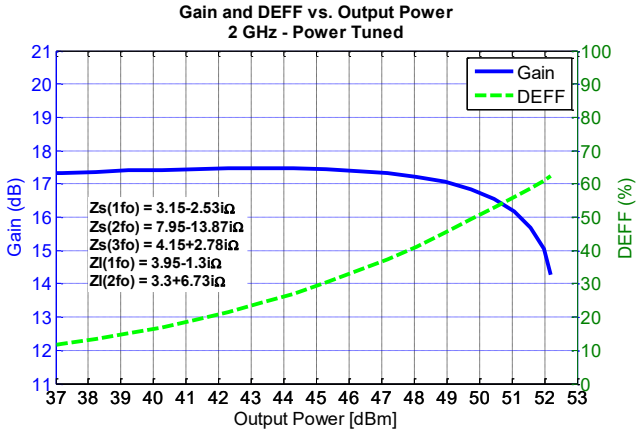


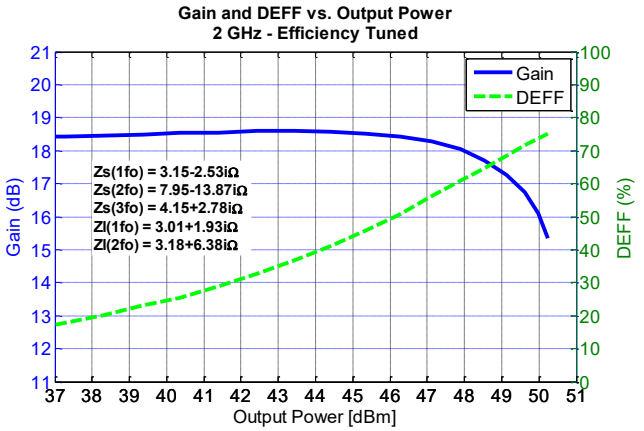
Typical Performance – Load-Pull Drive-up

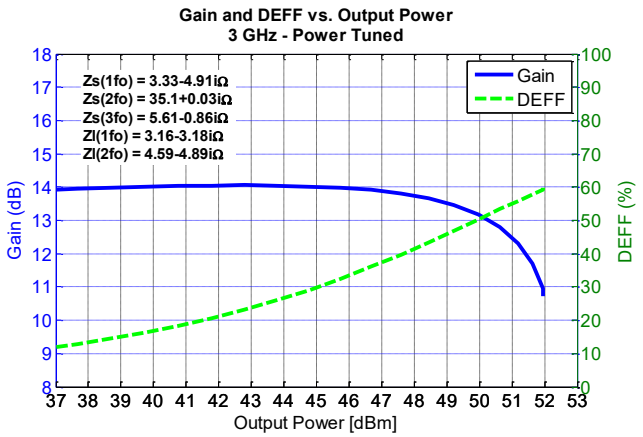
Notes:
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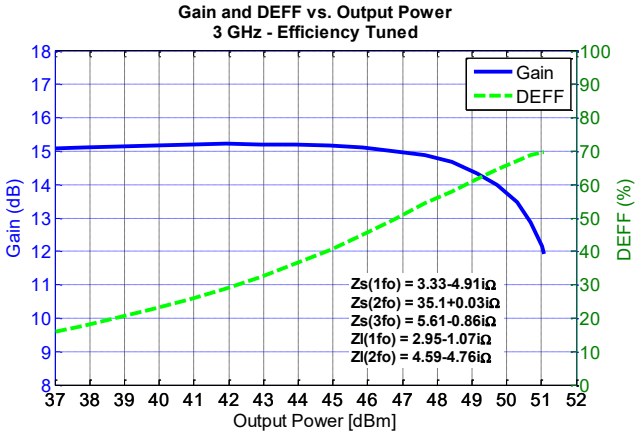








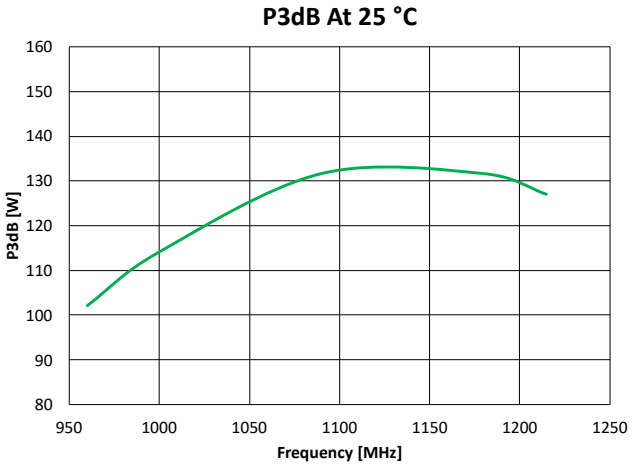


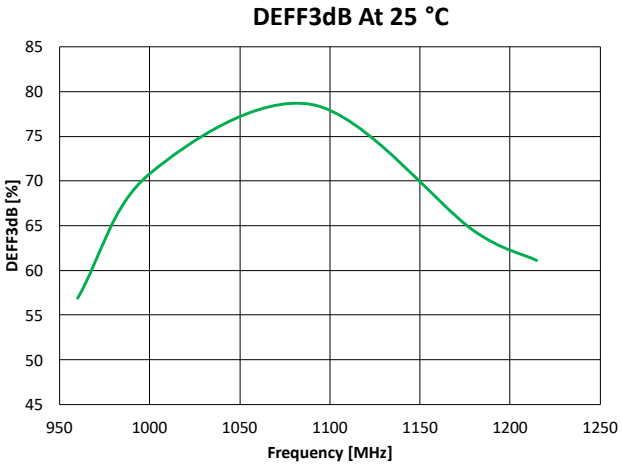


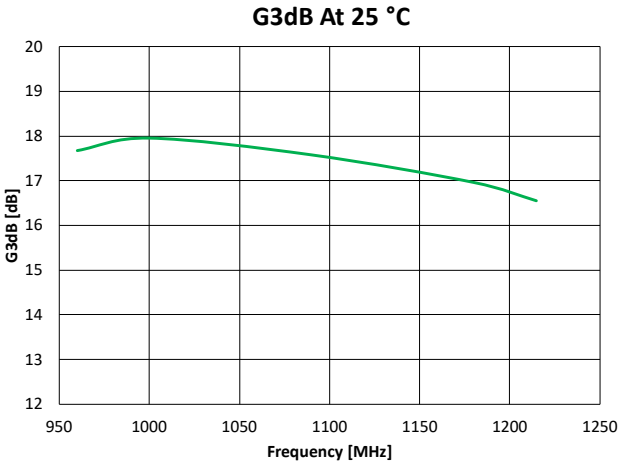
Typical Performance – 0.96 – 1.215 GHz EVB at 25 °C [1]

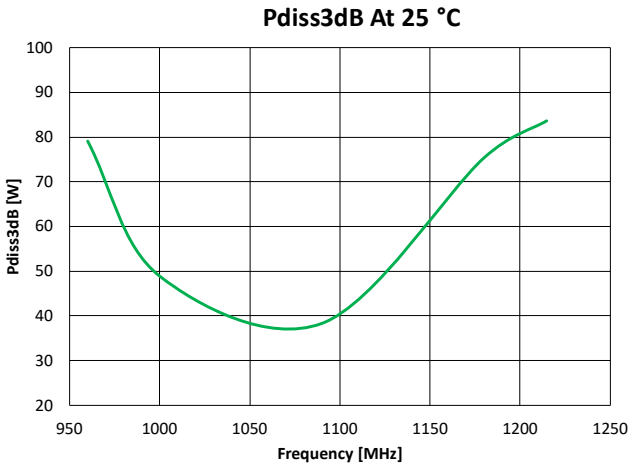
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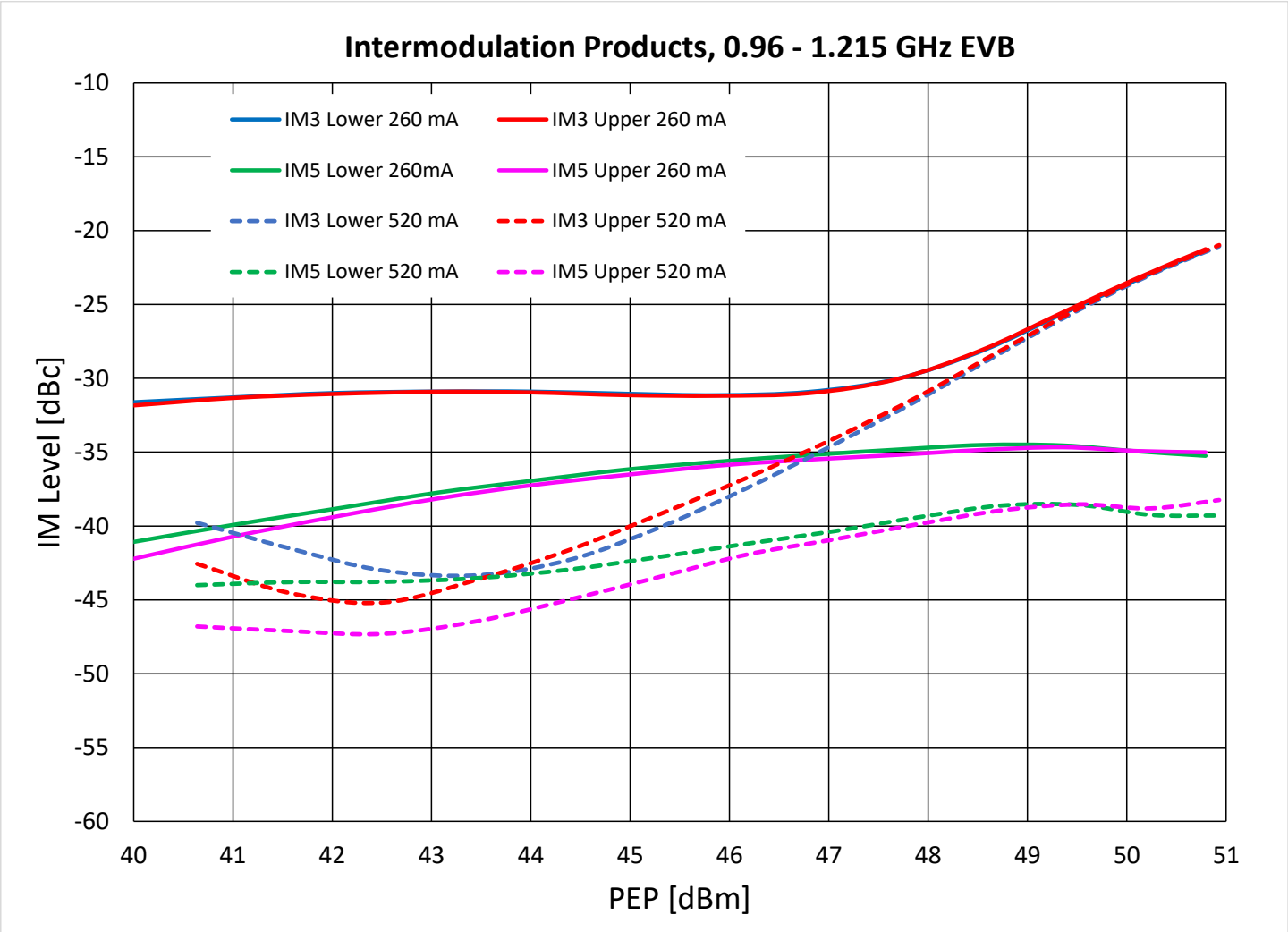




Typical 2-Tone Performance – 0.96 – 1.215 GHz EVB at 25 °C [1]

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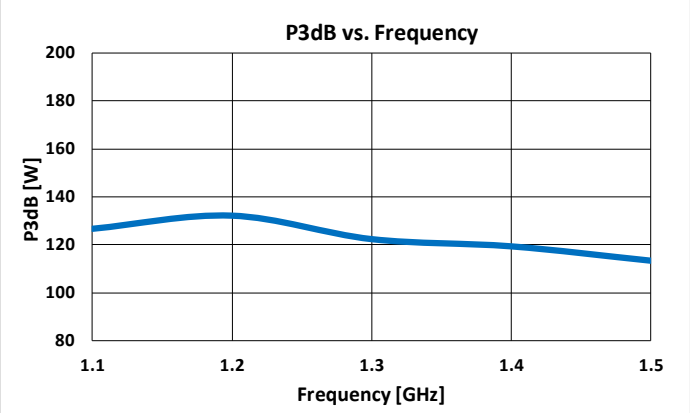
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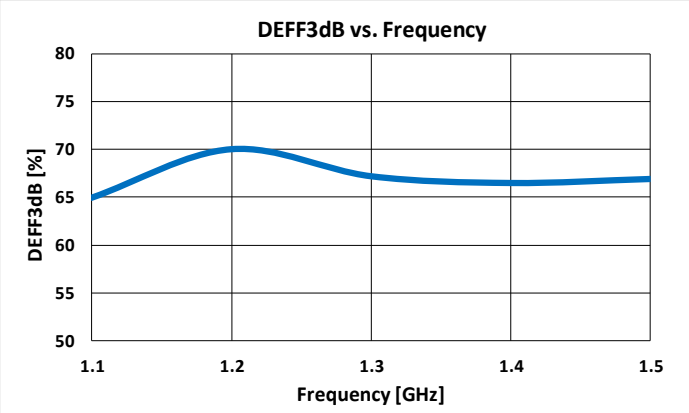


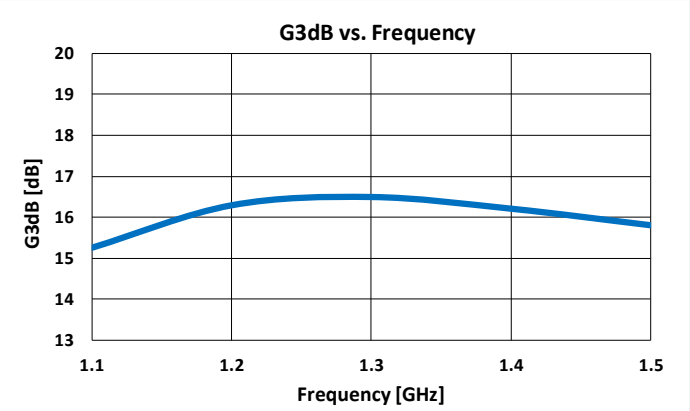
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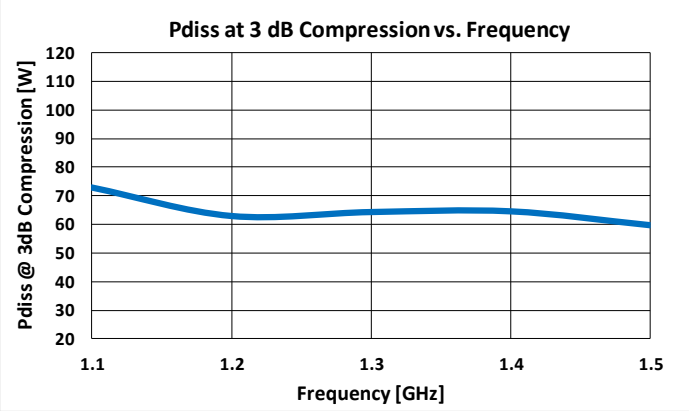
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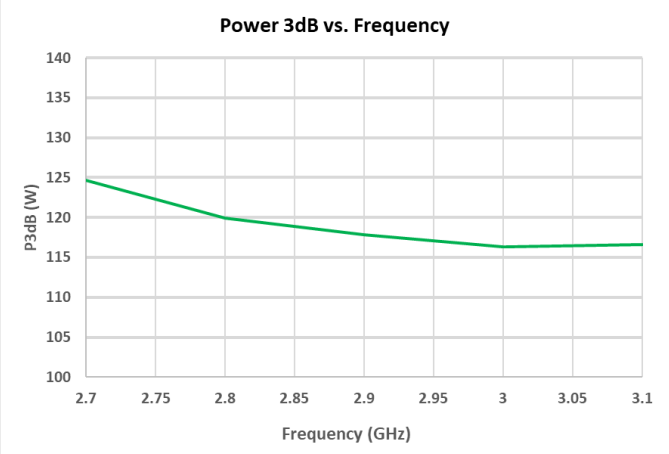


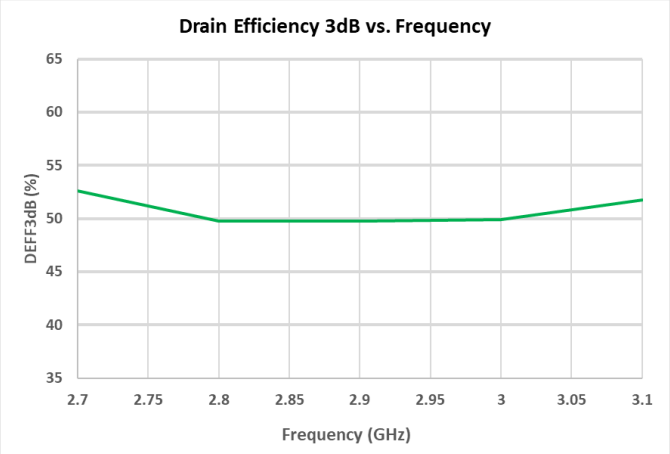


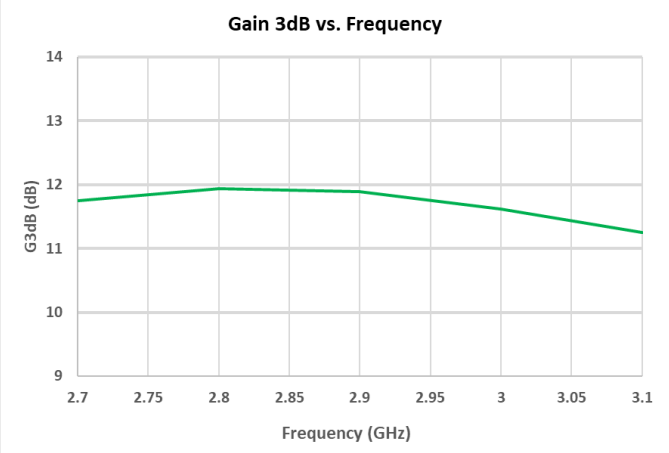
Typical Performance – 2.7 – 3.1 GHz EVB at 25 °C [1]

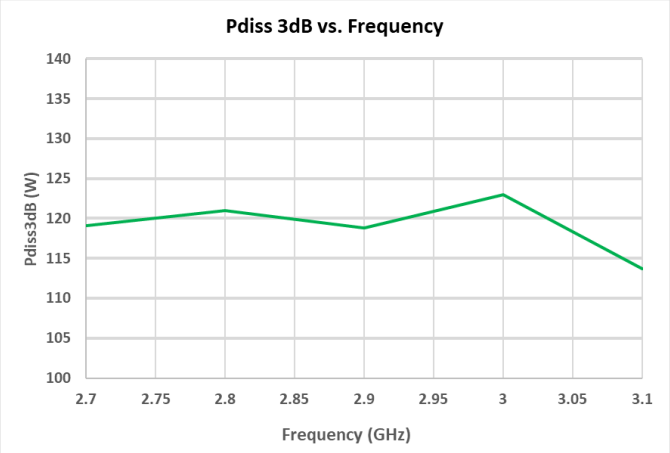
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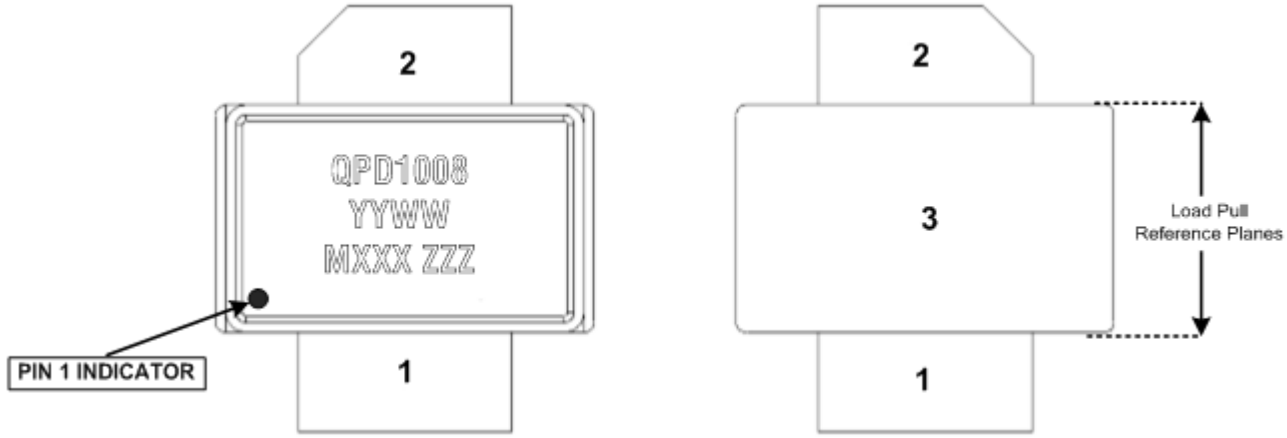








Pin Layout[1]

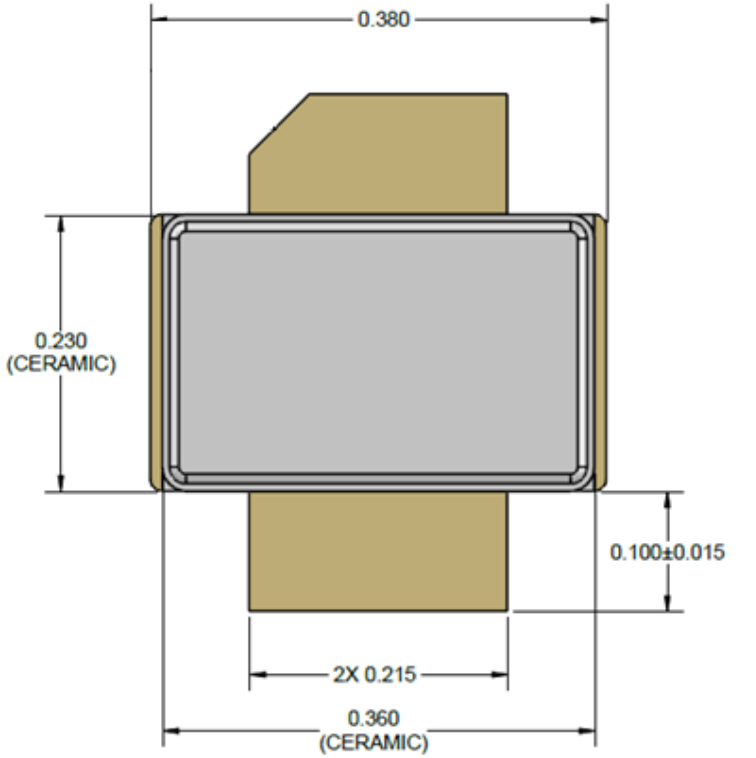


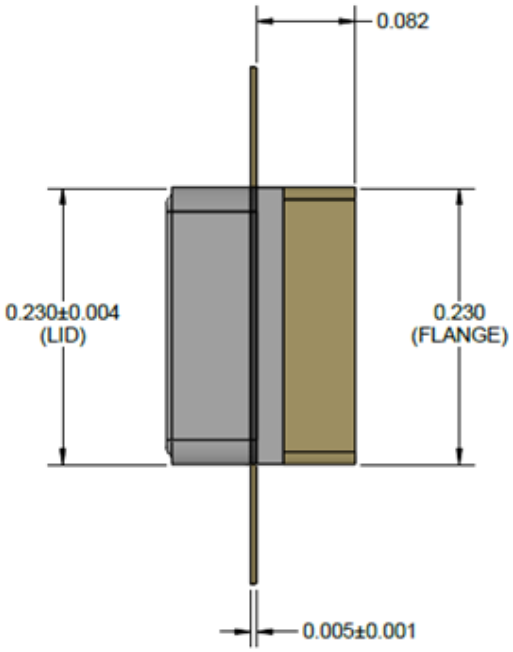
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1. The QPD1008 will be marked with the “QPD1008” designator and a lot code marked below the part designator. The “YY” represents the last two digits of the calendar year the part was manufactured, the “WW” is the work week of the assembly lot start, the “MXXX” is the production lot number, and the “ZZZ” is an auto-generated serial number.

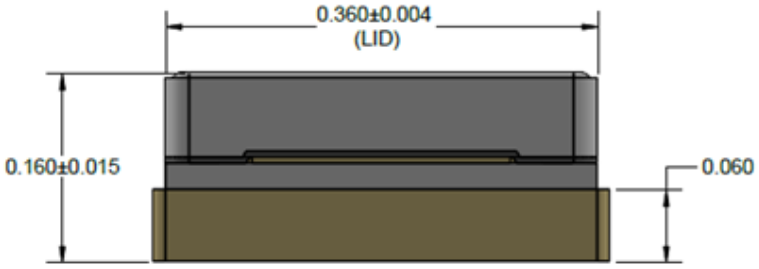
Pin Description

Pin	Symbol	Description
1	VG / RF IN	Gate voltage / RF Input
2	VD / RF OUT	Drain voltage / RF Output
3	Flange	Source to be connected to ground

Mechanical Drawing[1-7]



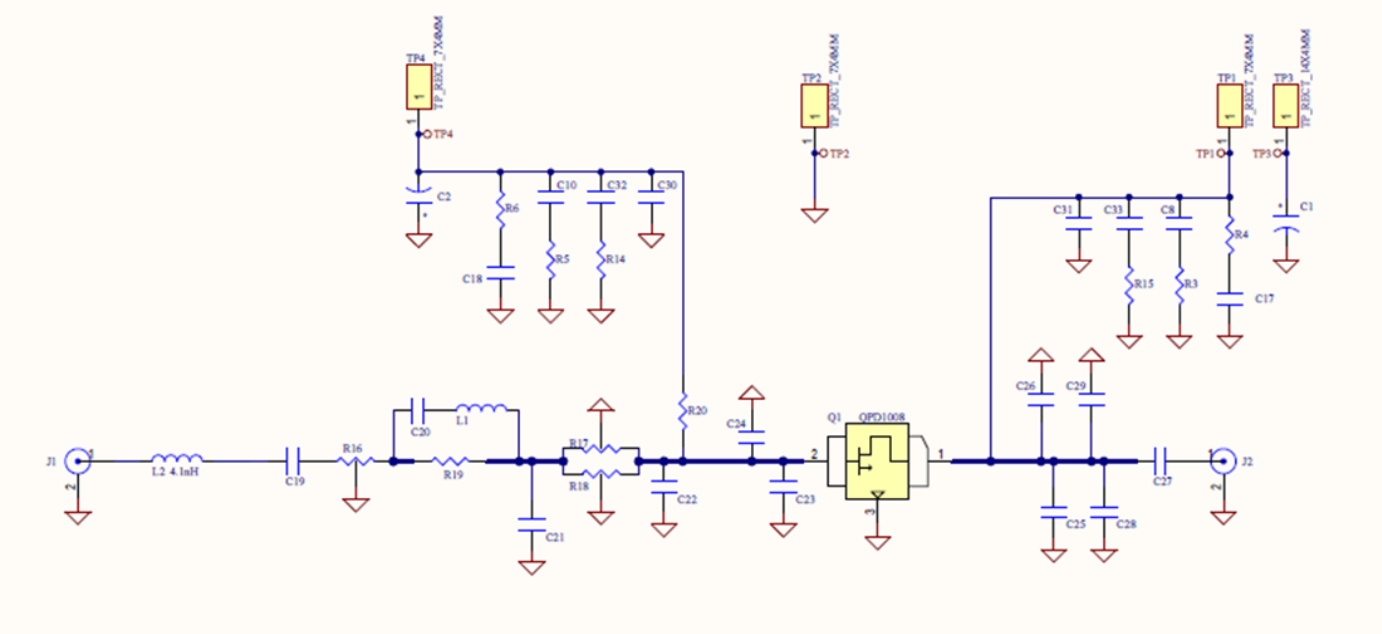




Note:

1. All dimensions are in inches. Angles are in degrees.
2. Dimension tolerance is ± 0.005 inches, unless otherwise noted.
3. Material:
   Package Base: Ceramic / Metal
   Package Lid: Ceramic
4. Package exposed metallization is gold plated.
5. Part is epoxy sealed.
6. Part meets industry NI360 footprint.
7. Body dimensions do not include epoxy runout which can be up to 0.020 inches per side.

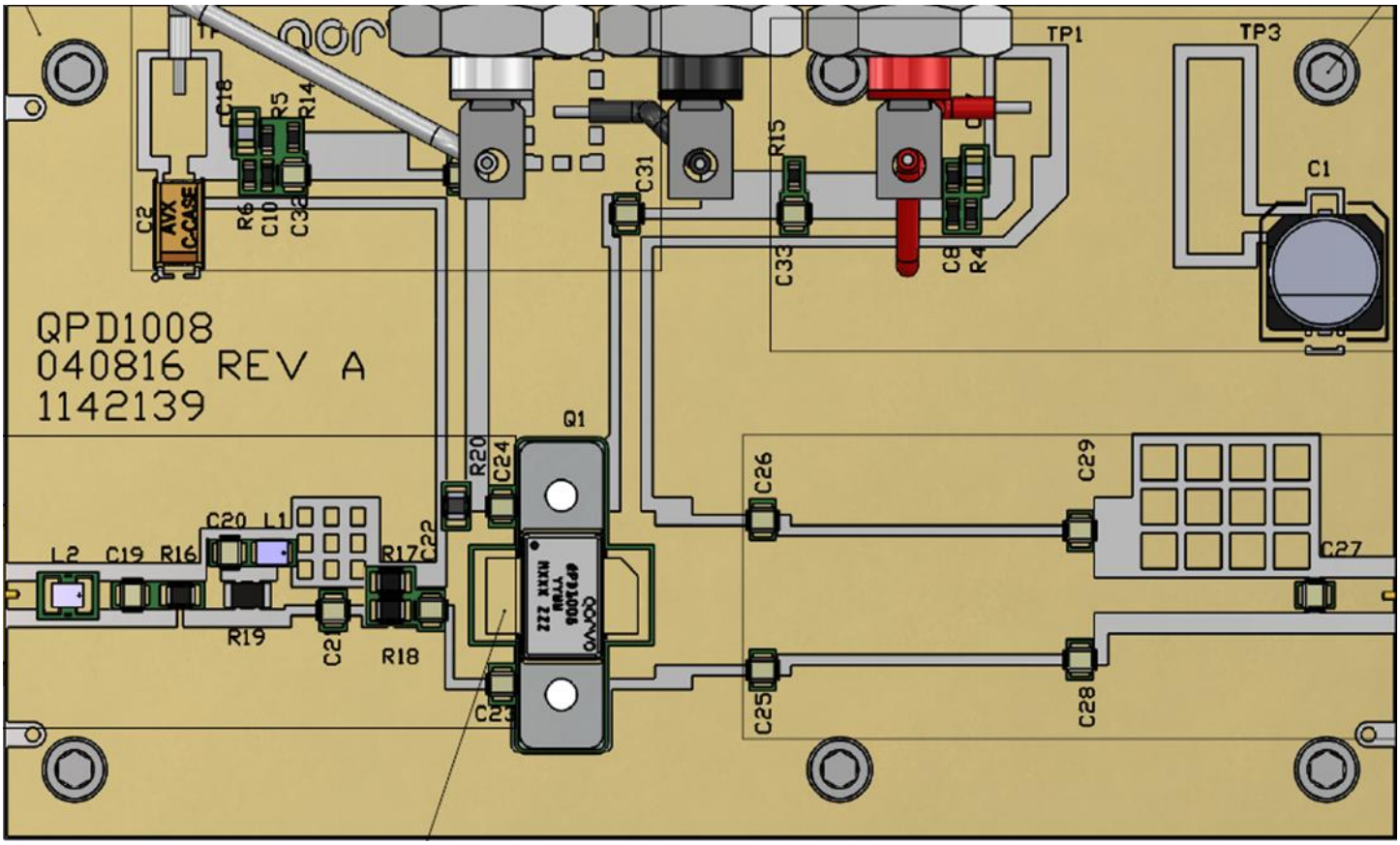
0.96 – 1.215 GHz Application Circuit - Schematic



Bias-up Procedure	Bias-down Procedure
1. Set V_G to -4 V.	1. Turn off RF signal.
2. Set I_D current limit to 300 mA.	2. Turn off V_D
3. Apply 50 V V_D.	3. Wait 2 seconds to allow drain capacitor to discharge
4. Slowly adjust V_G until I_D is set to 260 mA.	4. Turn off V_G
5. Set I_D current limit to 0.6 A (Pulsed operation)	
6. Apply RF.	

0.96 – 1.215 GHz Application Circuit - Layout

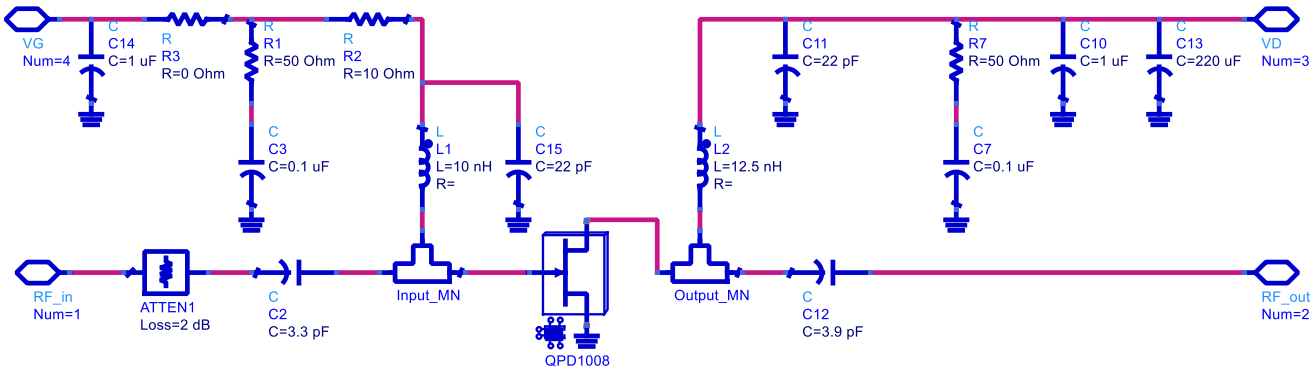
Board material is RO4360G2 0.032” thickness with 1oz copper cladding.
EVB dimension is 2.36” x 3.94”.



0.96 – 1.215 GHz Application Circuit - Bill Of material

Ref Des	Value	Description	Manufacturer	Part Number
C8, 10	1 nF	X7R 100V 5% 0603 Capacitor	AVX	06031C102JAT2A
C17 - 18	100 nF	X7R 100V 5% 0805 Capacitor	AVX	08051C104JAT2A
C28 - 29	2 pF	RF NPO 250VDC ± 0.1 pF Capacitor	ATC	ATC800A2R0BT250X
C23 – 24	2.4 pF	RF NPO 250VDC ± 0.1 pF Capacitor	ATC	ATC800A2R4BT250X
C20	3.0 pF	RF NPO 250VDC ± 0.1 pF Capacitor	ATC	ATC800A3R0BT250X
C21	4.7 pF	RF NPO 250VDC ± 0.1 pF Capacitor	ATC	ATC800A4R7BT250X
C25 –26	6.2 pF	RF NPO 250VDC ± 0.1 pF Capacitor	ATC	ATC800A6R2BT250X
C22	10 pF	RF NPO 250VDC 1% Capacitor	ATC	ATC800A100FT250X
C19, 27, 30 – 31	56 pF	RF NPO 250VDC 1% Capacitor	ATC	ATC800A560FT250X
C32 - 33	100 pF	RF NPO 250VDC 1% Capacitor	ATC	ATC800A101FT250X
C1	33 uF	RF NPO 250VDC 1% Capacitor	PANASONIC	63SXV33M
C2	10 uF	RF NPO 250VDC 1% Capacitor	AVX	TPSC106KR0500
J1 - 2		SMA Panel Mount 4-hole Jack	GIGALANE	PSF-S00-000
L1	5.6 nH	0805 5% Inductor	COILCRAFT	0805CS-050XJE
L2	4.1 nH	1008 5% Inductor	COILCRAFT	1008HQ-4NIXJLB
R4, 6	1 Ohm	0603 Thick Film Resistor	ANY	
R5	3.3 Ohm	0603 Thick Film Resistor	ANY	
R14 – 15	5.1 Ohm	0603 Thick Film Resistor	ANY	
R16	4.0 Ohm	0805CS High Power Thick Film Resistor		ND3-0805CS4R00J
R3	33 Ohm	0603 Thick Film Resistor	ANY	
R20	3.9 Ohm	0805 Thick Film Resistor	ANY	
R17 – 18	7 Ohm	0805CS High Power Thick Film Resistor	IMS	ND3-0805CS7R00J
R19	510 Ohm	1206 Thick Film Resistor	ANY	

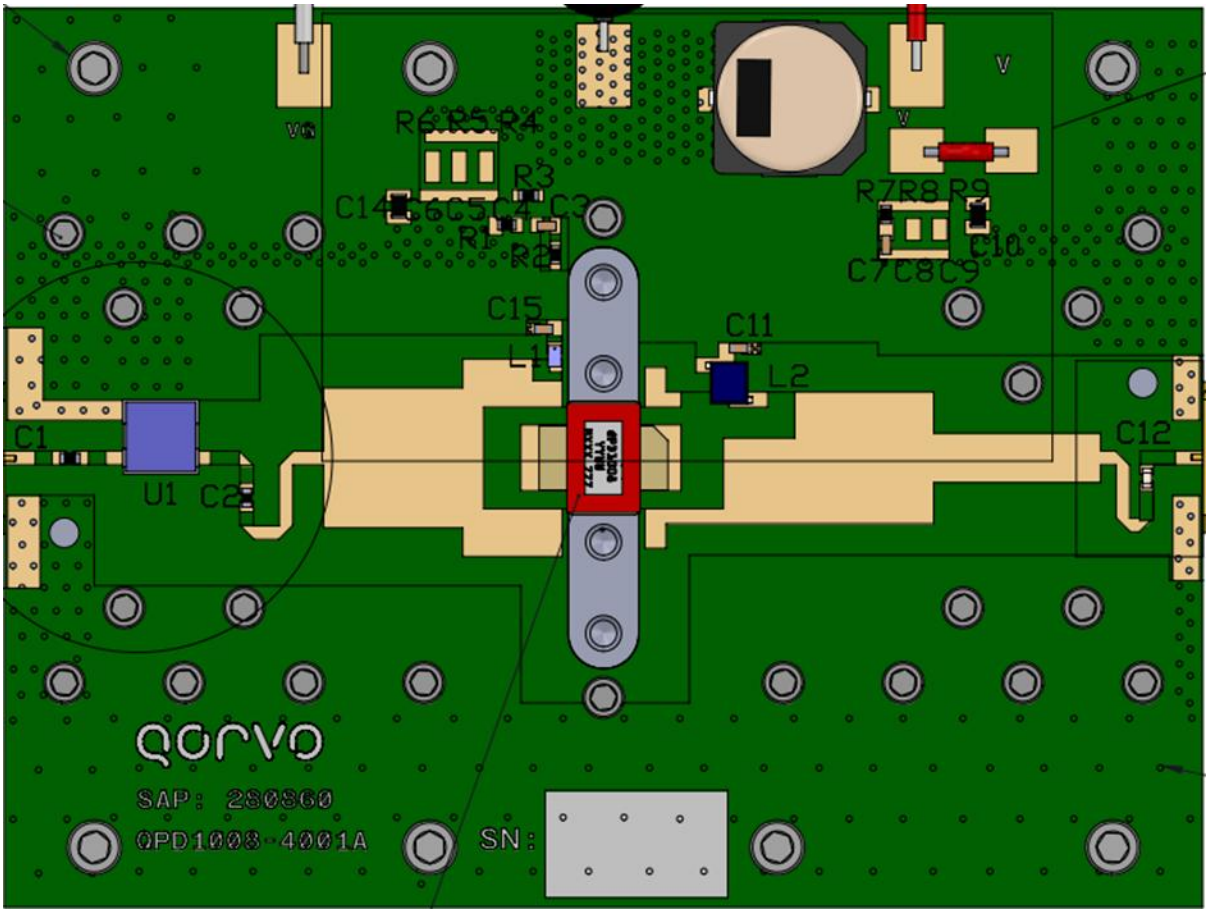
1.1 – 1.5 GHz Application Circuit - Schematic



Bias-up Procedure	Bias-down Procedure
2. Set V_G to -4 V.	3. Turn off RF signal.
4. Set I_D current limit to 300 mA.	4. Turn off V_D
5. Apply 50 V V_D.	5. Wait 2 seconds to allow drain capacitor to discharge
6. Slowly adjust V_G until I_D is set to 260 mA.	7. Turn off V_G
8. Set I_D current limit to 0.6 A (Pulsed operation)	
9. Apply RF.	

1.1 – 1.5 GHz Application Circuit - Layout

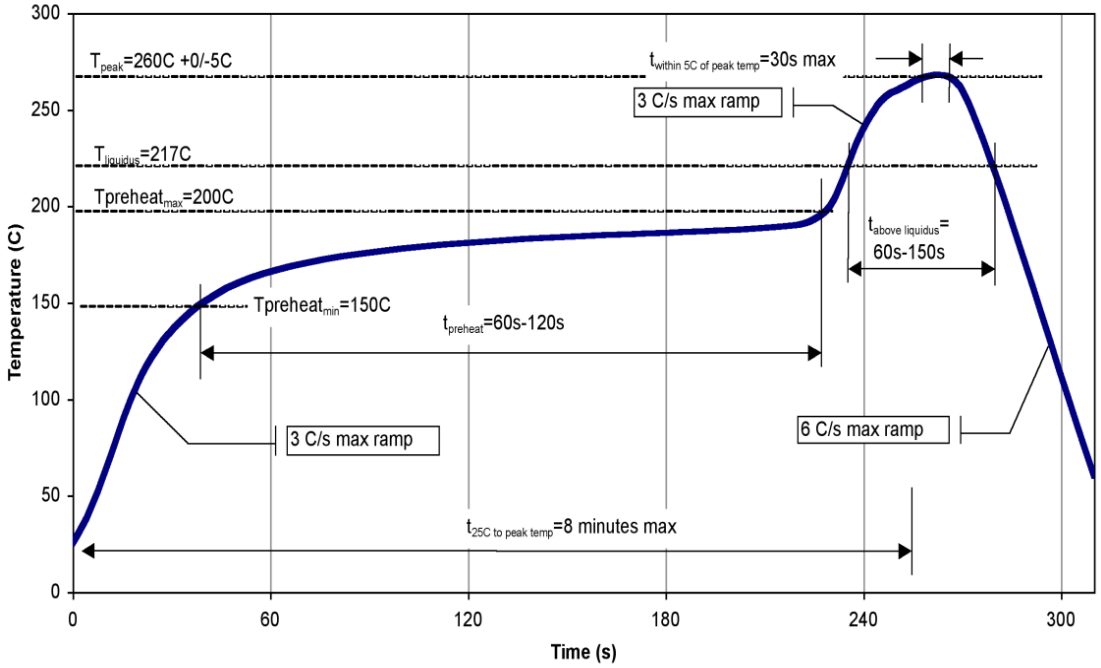
Board material is RO4360G2 0.032” thickness with 1oz copper cladding. EVB dimension is 3” x 4”.



1.1 – 1.5 GHz Application Circuit - Bill Of material

Ref Des	Value	Quantity	Part Number	Manufacturer
C1	100 pF	1	0603G101J201S	Capax
C2	3.3 pF	1	600S3R3AT250XT	ATC
C12	3.9 pF	1	600S3R9AT250XT	ATC
C11, C15	22 pF	2	600S220FT250XT	ATC
C3, C7	0.1 uF	2	GRM188R72A104KA35D	Murata
C10, C14	1 uF	2	C2012X7S2A105M125AB	TDK
C13	100 uF	1	EEETG1J101UP	Panasonic
R1, R7	50 Ohm	2	CRCW060350R0FKEA-ND	Vishay
R2	10 Ohm	1	CRCW060310R0JNEA	Vishay
L1	10 nH	1	0603CS-10NXJEW	Coilcraft
L2	12.5 nH	1	A04TJLC	Coilcraft
U1	2dB Atten.	1	RFP-250250-4AA2-1	Anaren

Recommended Solder Temperature Profile



Handling Precautions

Parameter	Rating	Standard
ESD – Human Body Model (HBM)	Class 1A	ANSI/ESD/JEDEC JS-001
ESD – Charged Device Model (CDM)	Class C3	ANSI/ESD/JEDEC JS-002
MSL – Moisture Sensitivity Level	MSL3	IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020



Caution!
ESD-Sensitive Device

Solderability

Compatible with both lead-free (260°C max. reflow temp.) and tin/lead (245°C max. reflow temp.) soldering processes.
Solder profiles available upon request.

Contact plating: NiAu. Au thickness is 60 microinches minimum.

RoHS Compliance

This part is compliant with 2011/65/EU RoHS directive (Restrictions on the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment) as amended by Directive 2015/863/EU.

This product also has the following attributes:

- Lead Free
- Halogen Free (Chlorine, Bromine)
- Antimony Free
- TBBP-A ($C_{15}H_{12}Br_4O_2$) Free
- PFOS Free
- SVHC Free



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