

# GaN Amplifier 52 V, 450 W 2.0 - 2.4 GHz



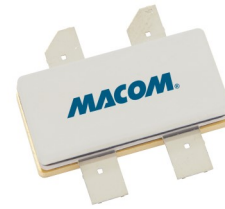
**MACOM PURE CARBIDE**

**MAPC-A1506**

Rev. V1

## Features

- MACOM PURE CARBIDE® Amplifier Series
- Suitable for Linear & Saturated Applications
- Pulsed Operation: 450 W Output Power
- Internally Pre-Matched
- 52 V Operation
- Utilizes enhanced thermal conductivity flange material for extreme pulse width and duty cycle conditions
- Compatible with MACOM Power Management Bias Controller/Sequencer MABC-11040B



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## Applications

RADAR, Datalink and Satellite Communications

## Description

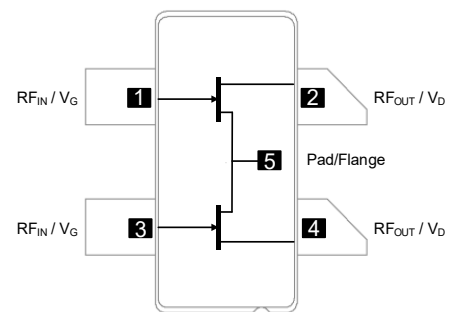
The MAPC-A1506 is a high power GaN on Silicon Carbide HEMT D-mode amplifier suitable for 2.0 - 2.4 GHz frequency operation. The device supports pulsed operation with output power levels of 450 W (56.6 dBm) and in an air cavity thermally enhanced package.

## Typical Performance:

Measured under evaluation board at 3 dB Compression, 100  $\mu$ s pulse width, 10% duty cycle.

Frequency (GHz)	Output Power <sup>1</sup> (dBm)	Gain <sup>2</sup> (dB)	$\eta_D$ <sup>2</sup> (%)
2.0	57.5	16.1	64.6
2.2	56.6	16.9	68.2
2.4	55.8	16.3	63.9

## Functional Schematic



## Pin Configuration

Pin #	Pin Name	Function
1	RF <sub>IN</sub> / V <sub>G</sub>	RF Input / Gate (Carrier)
2	RF <sub>OUT</sub> / V <sub>D</sub>	RF Output / Drain (Carrier)
3	RF <sub>IN</sub> / V <sub>G</sub>	RF Input / Gate (Peaking)
4	RF <sub>OUT</sub> / V <sub>D</sub>	RF Output / Drain (Peaking)
5	Flange <sup>1</sup>	Ground / Source

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

## Ordering Information

Part Number	Package
MAPC-A1506-AS000	Bulk Quantity
MAPC-A1506-ASTR1	Tape and Reel
MAPC-A1506-ASSB1	Sample Board

<sup>1</sup> \* Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, compliant to current RoHS EU directive.

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**Note: Performance in MACOM Evaluation Test Fixture, 50  $\Omega$  system**

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Saturated Output Power	Pulsed <sup>2</sup> , 2.2 GHz, 3 dB Gain Compression	$P_{SAT}$	-	56.6	-	dBm
Power Gain	Pulsed <sup>2</sup> , 2.2 GHz, 3 dB Gain Compression	$G_{SAT}$	-	16.9	-	dB
Saturated Drain Efficiency	Pulsed <sup>2</sup> , 2.2 GHz, 3 dB Gain Compression	$\eta_{SAT}$	-	68.2	-	%
Gain Variation (-40°C to +85°C)	Pulsed <sup>2</sup> , 2.2 GHz, 3 dB Gain Compression	$\Delta G$	-	-0.019	-	dB/°C
Power Variation (-40°C to +85°C)	Pulsed <sup>2</sup> , 2.2 GHz, 3 dB Gain Compression	$\Delta P_{2.5dB}$	-	-0.004	-	dB/°C
Ruggedness: Output Mismatch	All phase angles	$\Psi$	VSWR = 10:1, No Damage			

**RF Electrical Specifications:  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $V_{DS} = 52\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{DQ} = 500\text{ mA}$**

**Note: Performance in MACOM Production Test Fixture, 50  $\Omega$  system**

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Power Gain	Pulsed <sup>2</sup> , 2.2 GHz, 3 dB Gain Compression	$G_{SAT}$	15.7	16.5	-	dB
Saturated Drain Efficiency	Pulsed <sup>2</sup> , 2.2 GHz, 3 dB Gain Compression	$\eta_{SAT}$	56	60	-	%
Saturated Output Power	Pulsed <sup>2</sup> , 2.2 GHz, 3 dB Gain Compression	$P_{SAT}$	55.8	56.4	-	dBm

2. Pulse details: 100  $\mu\text{s}$  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	$V_{GS} = -8\text{ V}$ , $V_{DS} = 130\text{ V}$	$I_{DLK}$	-	-	62.4	mA
Gate-Source Leakage Current	$V_{GS} = -8\text{ V}$ , $V_{DS} = 0\text{ V}$	$I_{GLK}$	-	-	62.4	mA
Gate Threshold Voltage	$V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$ , $I_D = 62.4\text{ mA}$	$V_T$	-	-3.0	-	V
Gate Quiescent Voltage	$V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$ , $I_D = 450\text{ mA}$	$V_{GSQ}$	-	-2.6	-	V
Maximum Drain Current	$V_{DS} = 7\text{ V}$ pulsed, pulse width 300 $\mu\text{s}$	$I_{D, MAX}$	-	53.0	-	A

**Absolute Maximum Ratings** <sup>3,4,5,6,7</sup>

Parameter	Absolute Maximum
Drain Source Voltage, $V_{DS}$	130 V
Gate Source Voltage, $V_{GS}$	-10 to 3 V
Gate Current, $I_G$	62.4 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

3. Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.
4. MACOM does not recommend sustained operation above maximum operating conditions.
5. Operating at drain source voltage  $V_{DS} < 55$  V will ensure  $MTTF > 2 \times 10^6$  hours.
6. Operating at nominal conditions with  $T_{CH} \leq 225^\circ\text{C}$  will ensure  $MTTF > 2 \times 10^6$  hours.
7. 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,  $A = 1.93$ ,  $B = -45.31$ , and  $C = 29,585$ .

**Thermal Characteristics** <sup>8</sup>

Parameter	Test Conditions	Symbol	Typical	Units
Thermal Resistance using Finite Element Analysis (Pulsed 10%, 100 $\mu\text{s}$ )	$V_{DS} = 52$ V, $T_C = 85^\circ\text{C}$ , $T_{CH} = 225^\circ\text{C}$	$R_{\theta}(\text{FEA})$	0.12	$^\circ\text{C/W}$
Thermal Resistance using Infrared Measurement of Die Surface Temperature (Pulsed 10%, 100 $\mu\text{s}$ )	$V_{DS} = 52$ V, $T_C = 85^\circ\text{C}$ , $T_{CH} = 225^\circ\text{C}$	$R_{\theta}(\text{IR})$	0.096	$^\circ\text{C/W}$

8. 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**

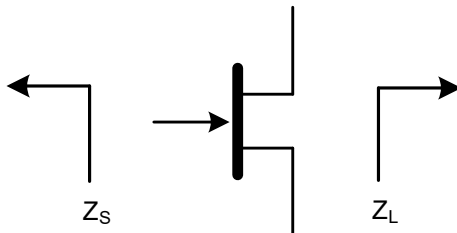
Gallium Nitride Circuits are sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD) and can be damaged by static electricity. Proper ESD control techniques should be used when handling these devices.

**52V Pulsed<sup>2</sup> Load-Pull Performance (Per Each Side of Symmetric Device)  
Reference Plane at Device Leads**

Frequency (MHz)	Z <sub>SOURCE</sub> (Ω)	Maximum Output Power					
		V <sub>DS</sub> = 52 V, I <sub>DQ</sub> = 460 mA, T <sub>C</sub> = 25°C, P <sub>2.5dB</sub>					
		Z <sub>LOAD</sub> <sup>9</sup> (Ω)	Operating Gain (dB)	P <sub>OUT</sub> (dBm)	P <sub>OUT</sub> (W)	η <sub>D</sub> (%)	AM/PM (°)
2000	4 - j9	5.2 - j4.4	18.5	55.0	316	60.5	-28.2
2200	15 - j5	6.6 - j3.2	18.5	54.9	309	59.9	-94.1
2400	4 + j0	6.1 - j0.6	17.8	54.7	295	59.4	163.5

Frequency (MHz)	Z <sub>SOURCE</sub> (Ω)	Maximum Drain Efficiency					
		V <sub>DS</sub> = 52 V, I <sub>DQ</sub> = 460 mA, T <sub>C</sub> = 25°C, P <sub>2.5dB</sub>					
		Z <sub>LOAD</sub> <sup>10</sup> (Ω)	Operating Gain (dB)	P <sub>OUT</sub> (dBm)	P <sub>OUT</sub> (W)	η <sub>D</sub> (%)	AM/PM (°)
2000	4 - j9	2.1 - j4.5	19.9	53.3	214	70.2	-31.4
2200	15 - j5	3.5 - j5.4	19.8	53.5	224	69.4	-83.6
2400	4 + j0	5.3 - j5.2	19.0	53.1	204	68.5	179.0

**Impedance Reference**



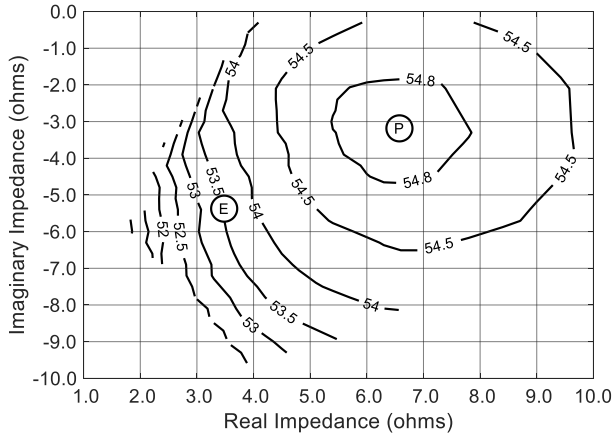
Z<sub>SOURCE</sub> = Measured impedance presented to the input of the device at package reference plane.

Z<sub>LOAD</sub> = Measured impedance presented to the output of the device at package reference plane.

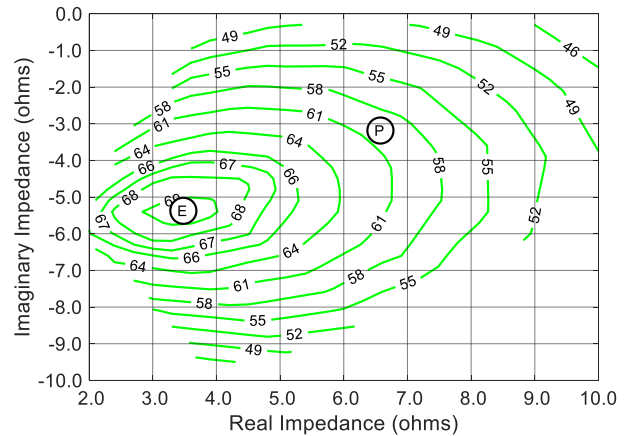
- 9. Load Impedance for optimum output power.
- 10. Load Impedance for optimum efficiency.

**Pulsed<sup>2</sup> Load-Pull Performance (Per Each Side of Symmetric Device)**  
**2.2 GHz**

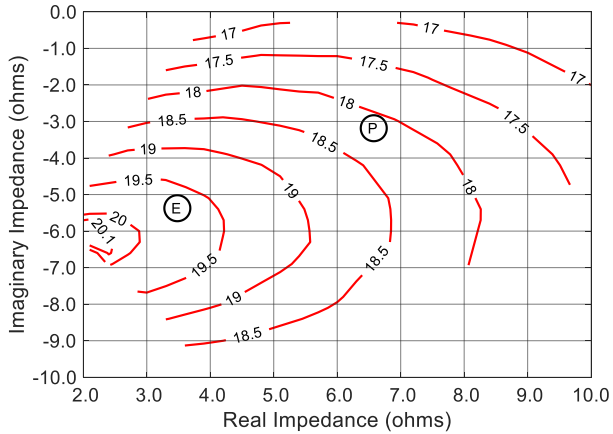
**P2.5dB Loadpull Output Power Contours (dBm)**



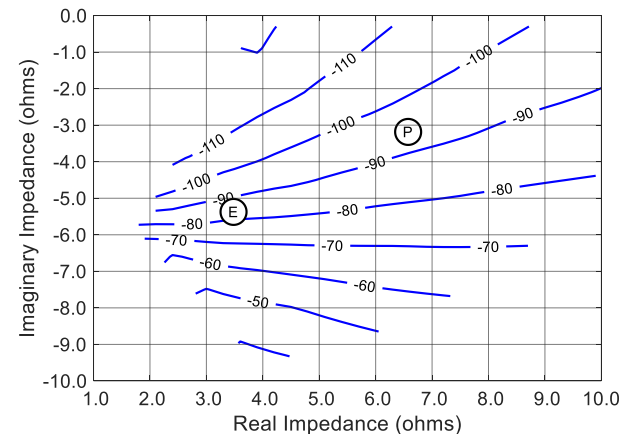
**P2.5dB Loadpull Drain Efficiency Contours (%)**



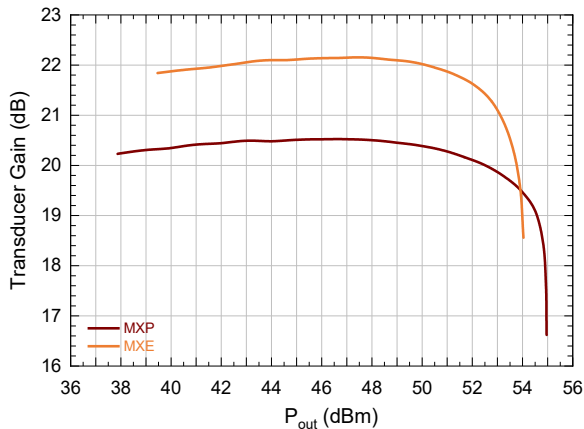
**P2.5dB Loadpull Gain Contours (dB)**



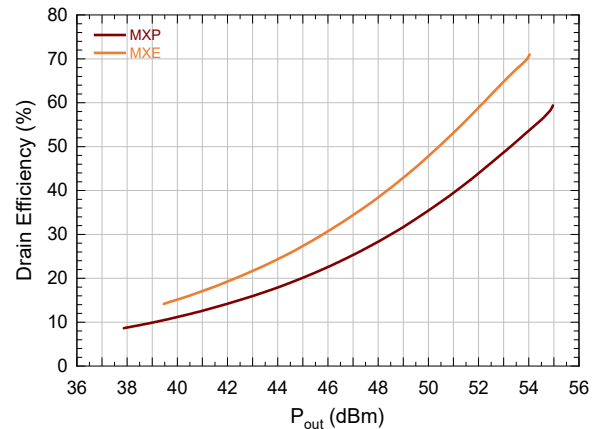
**P2.5dB Loadpull AM/PM Contours (°)**



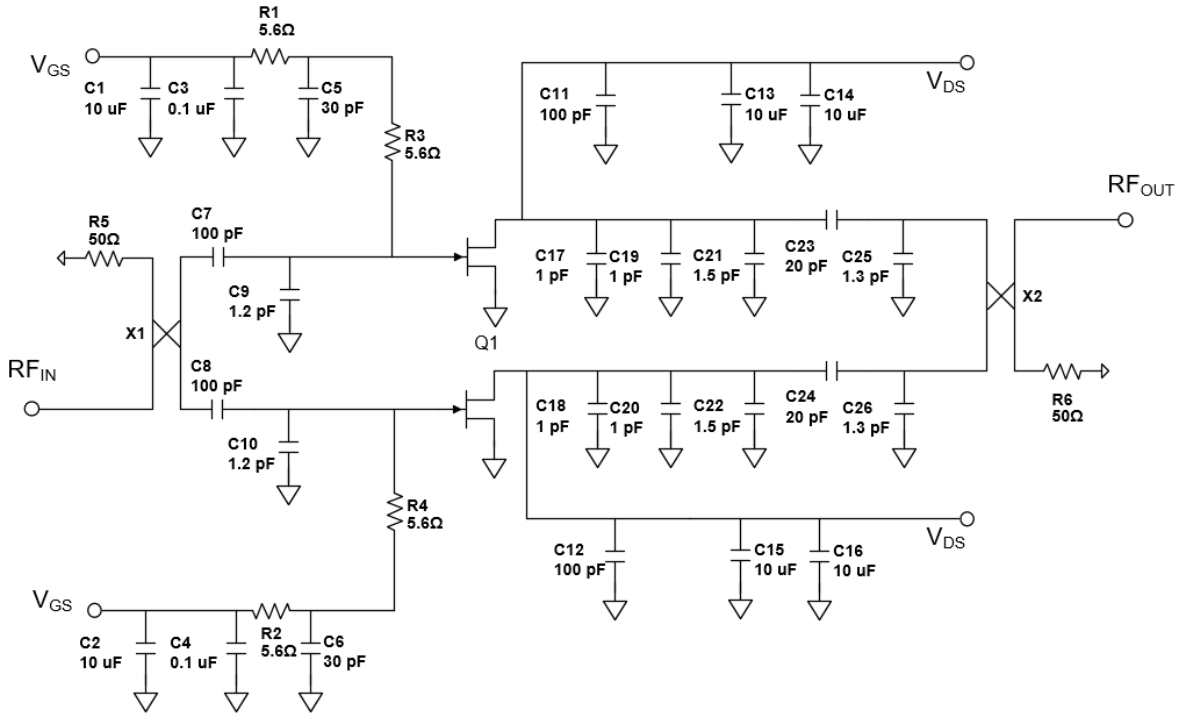
**Transducer Gain vs. Output Power**



**Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power**



**Evaluation Test Fixture and Recommended Tuning Solution 2.0 - 2.4 GHz**



**Description**

Parts measured on evaluation board (20 mil thick RO4350B). 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**

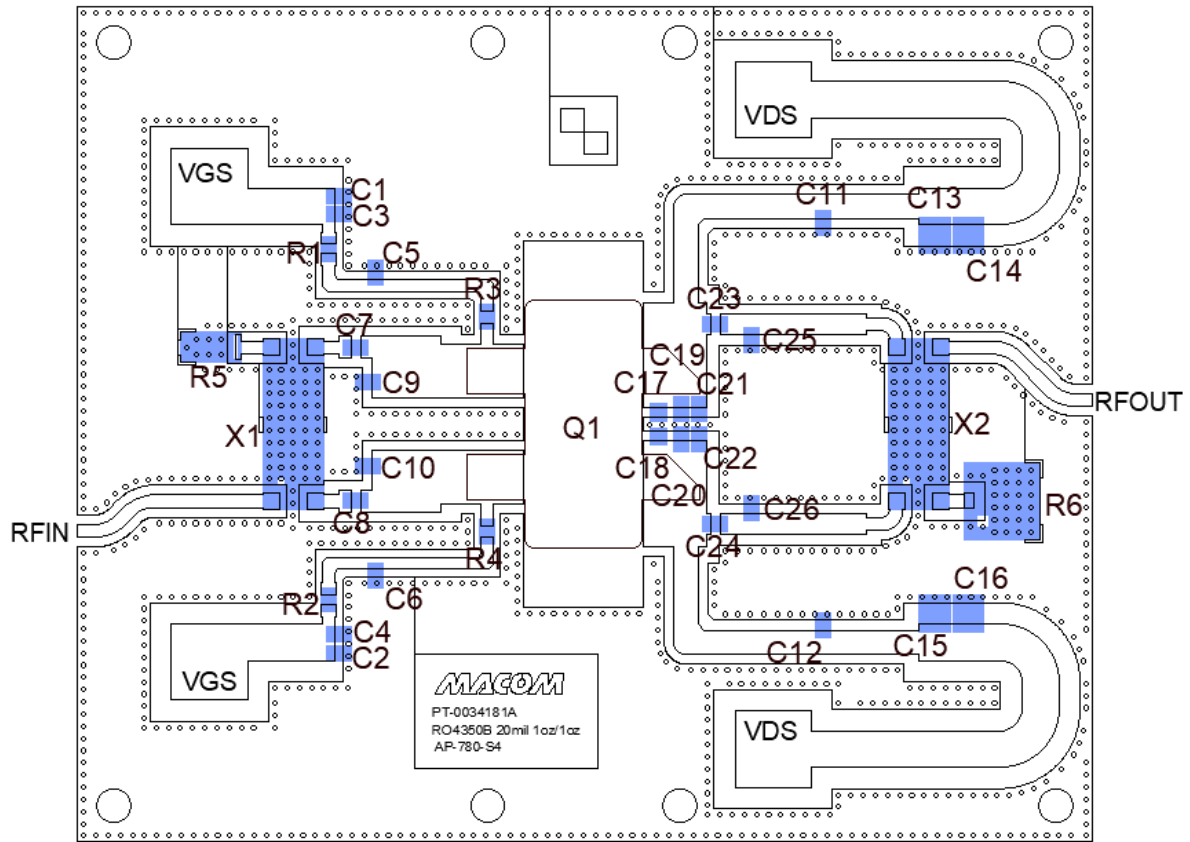
1. Set  $V_{GS}$  to pinch-off ( $V_P$ ).
2. Turn on  $V_{DS}$  to nominal voltage (52 V).
3. Increase  $V_{GS}$  until  $I_{DS}$  current is reached.
4. Apply RF power to desired level.

**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  $V_{GS}$ .

\* For an integrated power management solution please contact MACOM support regarding the MABC-11040B.

Evaluation Test Fixture and Recommended Tuning Solution 2.0 - 2.4 GHz



Reference Designator	Value	Tolerance	Manufacturer	Part Number
C1, C2	10 $\mu$ F	+/- 10 %	Murata	GRM21BR6YA106KE43L
C3, C4	0.1 $\mu$ F	+/- 10 %	Murata	GRM21BR72A104KAC4L
C5, C6	30 pF	+/- 5 %	Kyocera/AVX	600F300JT250X
C7, C8, C11, C12	100 pF	+/- 5 %	Kyocera/AVX	600F101JT250X
C9, C10	1.2 pF	+/- 0.1 pF	Kyocera/AVX	600F1R2BT250X
C13, C14, C15, C16	10 $\mu$ F	+/- 10 %	Murata	GRM32EC72A106KE05L
C17, C18	1 pF	+/- 0.1 pF	Kyocera/AVX	800A1R0BT250X
C19, C20	1 pF	+/- 0.1 pF	Kyocera/AVX	600F1R0BT250X
C21, C22	1.5 pF	+/- 0.1 pF	Kyocera/AVX	600F1R5BT250X
C23, C24	20 pF	+/- 5 %	Kyocera/AVX	600F200JT250X
C25, C26	1.3 pF	+/- 0.1 pF	Kyocera/AVX	600F1R3BT250X
C13, C14, C15, C16	10 $\mu$ F	+/- 10 %	Murata	GRM32EC72A106KE05L
R1, R2, R3, R4	5.6 $\Omega$	+/- 0.5 %	Yageo	RT0805DRE075R6L
R5	50 $\Omega$	+/- 2 %	RN2	S1020N
R6	50 $\Omega$	+/- 2 %	RN2	S2525N150
X1, X2	RN2 Quadrature Hybrid Coupler			CMX25S03
Q1	MACOM GaN Power Amplifier			MAPC-A1506
PCB	RO4350B, 20 mil, 1 oz. Cu, ENIG Finish			

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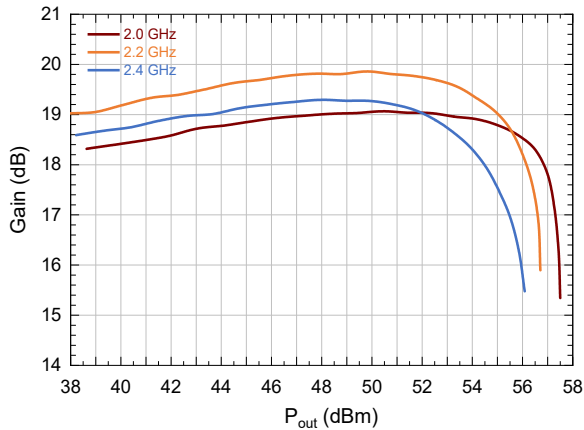
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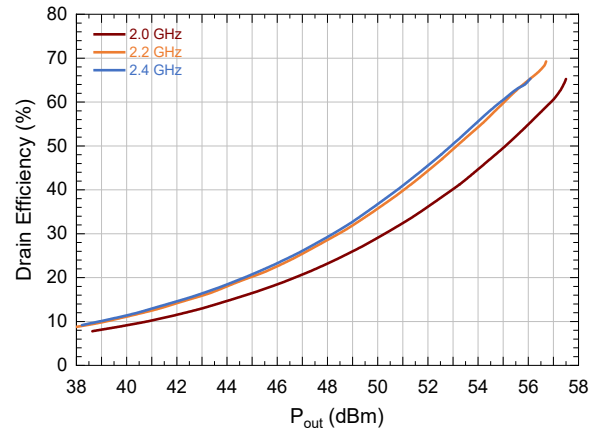
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Typical Performance Curves as Measured in the 2.0 - 2.4 GHz Evaluation Test Fixture:  
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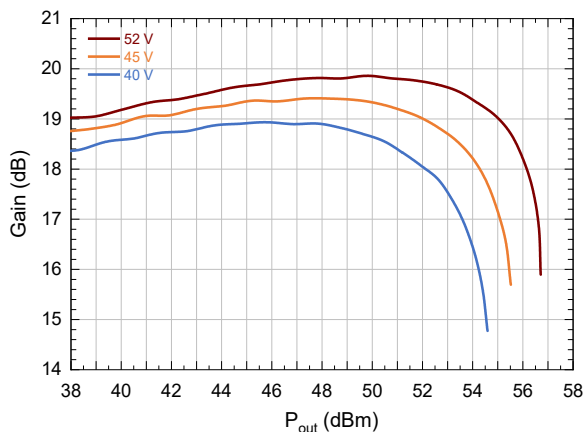
Gain vs. Output Power and Frequency



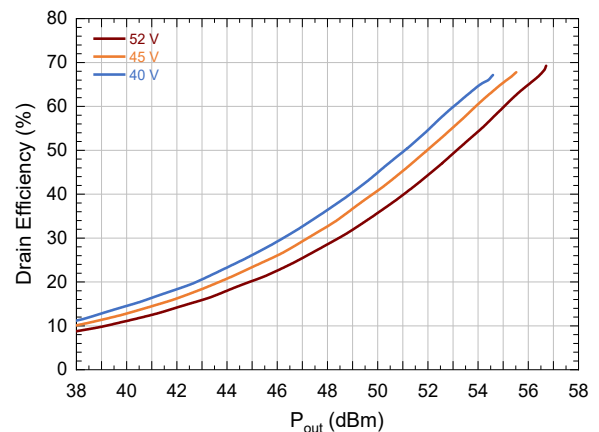
Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power and Frequency



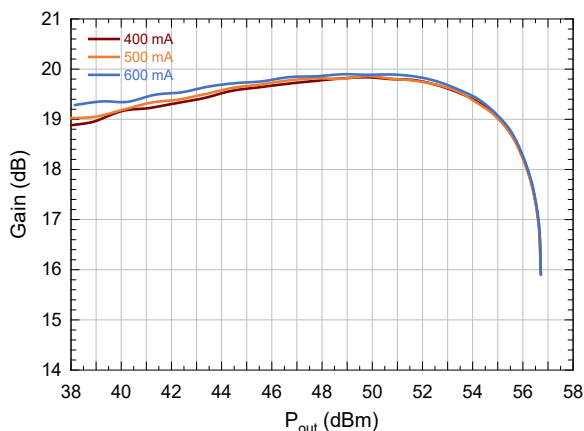
Gain vs. Output Power and  $V_{DS}$



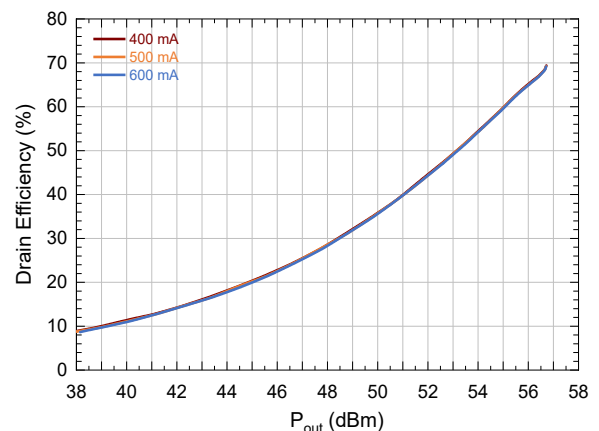
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Gain vs. Output Power and  $I_{DQ}$



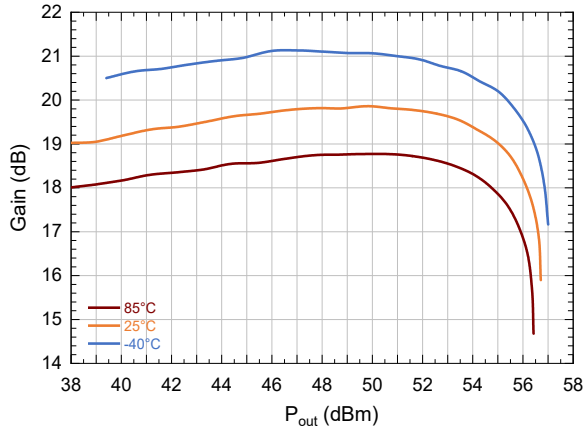
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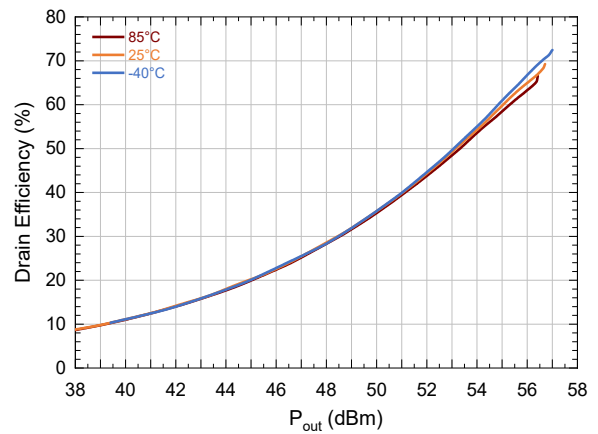


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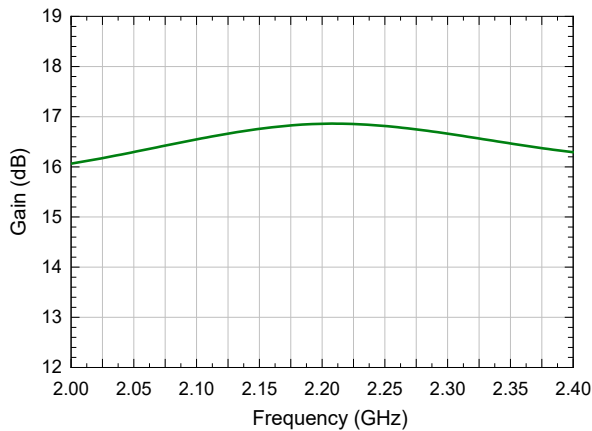
Gain vs. Output Power and  $T_C$



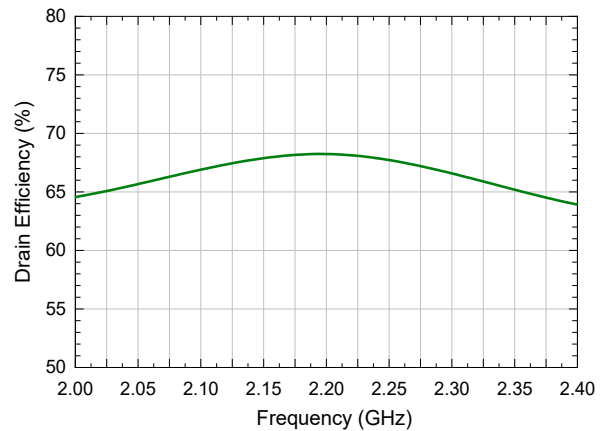
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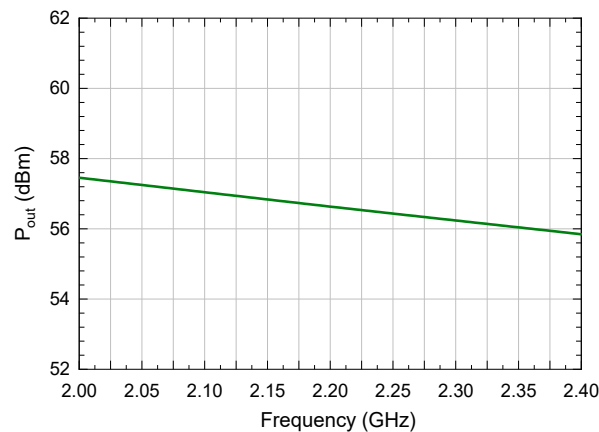
Gain vs. Frequency, 3dB Gain Compression



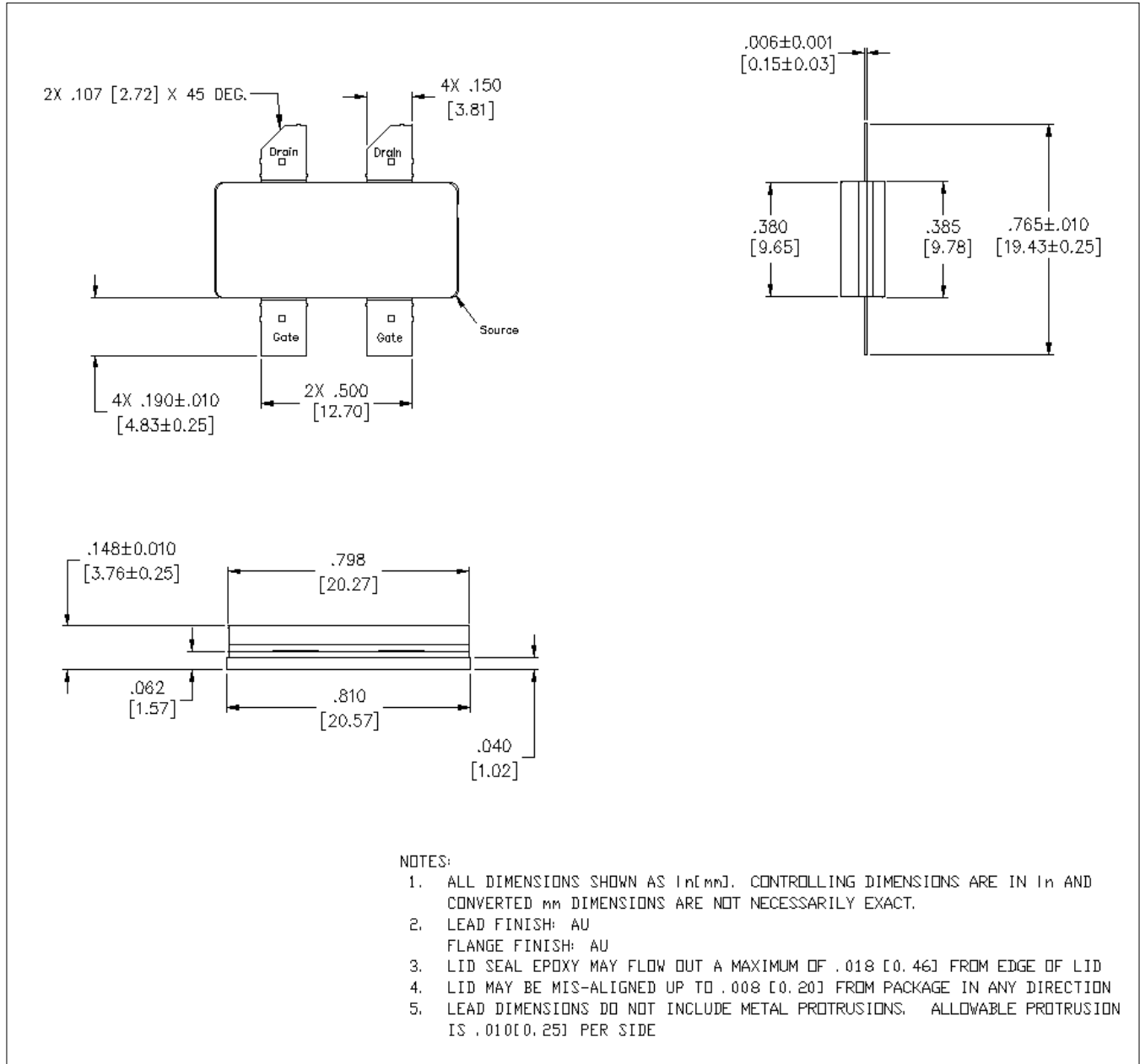
Drain Efficiency vs. Frequency, 3dB Gain Compression



Output Power vs. Frequency, 3dB Gain Compression



Lead-Free AP-780S-4 Package Dimensions<sup>†</sup>



<sup>†</sup> Reference Application Note AN0004363 for lead-free solder reflow recommendations.  
Meets JEDEC moisture sensitivity level 3 requirements.  
Plating is Au.

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