



## RF Power GaN Transistor

This 48 W RF power GaN transistor is designed for cellular base station applications covering the frequency range of 1805 to 2200 MHz.

This part is characterized and performance is guaranteed for applications operating in the 1805 to 2200 MHz band. There is no guarantee of performance when this part is used in applications designed outside of these frequencies.

### 2000 MHz

- Typical Single-Carrier W-CDMA Performance:  $V_{DD} = 48$  Vdc,  $I_{DQ} = 200$  mA,  $P_{out} = 48$  W Avg., Input Signal PAR = 9.9 dB @ 0.01% Probability on CCDF.

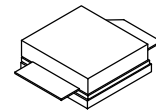
Frequency	$G_{ps}$ (dB)	$\eta_D$ (%)	Output PAR (dB)	ACPR (dBc)	IRL (dB)
1805 MHz	17.4	33.5	7.0	-34.7	-14
1990 MHz	17.3	34.3	7.1	-35.1	-11
2170 MHz	17.7	37.5	6.8	-33.2	-12

### Features

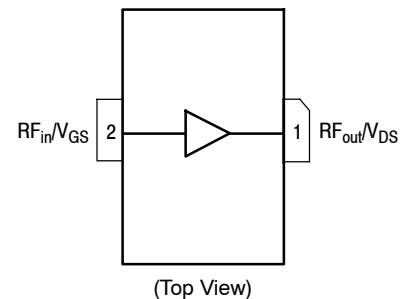
- High Terminal Impedances for Optimal Broadband Performance
- Designed for Digital Predistortion Error Correction Systems
- Optimized for Doherty Applications

**A2G22S251-01SR3**

**1805–2200 MHz, 48 W AVG., 48 V  
AIRFAST RF POWER GaN  
TRANSISTOR**



**NI-400S-2S**



**Figure 1. Pin Connections**

**Table 1. Maximum Ratings**

Rating	Symbol	Value	Unit
Drain-Source Voltage	$V_{DSS}$	125	Vdc
Gate-Source Voltage	$V_{GS}$	-8, 0	Vdc
Operating Voltage	$V_{DD}$	0 to +55	Vdc
Maximum Forward Gate Current @ $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$	$I_{GMAX}$	24	mA
Storage Temperature Range	$T_{stg}$	-65 to +150	$^\circ\text{C}$
Case Operating Temperature Range	$T_C$	-55 to +150	$^\circ\text{C}$
Operating Junction Temperature Range	$T_J$	-55 to +225	$^\circ\text{C}$
Absolute Maximum Junction Temperature (1)	$T_{MAX}$	275	$^\circ\text{C}$

**Table 2. Thermal Characteristics**

Characteristic	Symbol	Value	Unit
Thermal Resistance by Infrared Measurement, Active Die Surface-to-Case Case Temperature $84^\circ\text{C}$ , $P_D = 88\text{ W}$	$R_{\theta JC}$ (IR)	1.3 (2)	$^\circ\text{C/W}$
Thermal Resistance by Finite Element Analysis, Junction-to-Case Case Temperature $85^\circ\text{C}$ , $P_D = 80\text{ W}$	$R_{\theta JC}$ (FEA)	1.75 (3)	$^\circ\text{C/W}$

**Table 3. ESD Protection Characteristics**

Test Methodology	Class
Human Body Model (per JESD22-A114)	2
Machine Model (per EIA/JESD22-A115)	B
Charge Device Model (per JESD22-C101)	II

**Table 4. Electrical Characteristics** ( $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise noted)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
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**Off Characteristics**

Drain-Source Breakdown Voltage ( $V_{GS} = -8\text{ Vdc}$ , $I_D = 20\text{ mAdc}$ )	$V_{(BR)DSS}$	150	—	—	Vdc
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**On Characteristics**

Gate Threshold Voltage ( $V_{DS} = 10\text{ Vdc}$ , $I_D = 20\text{ mAdc}$ )	$V_{GS(th)}$	-3.8	-3.0	-2.3	Vdc
Gate Quiescent Voltage ( $V_{DD} = 48\text{ Vdc}$ , $I_D = 200\text{ mAdc}$ , Measured in Functional Test)	$V_{GS(Q)}$	-3.6	-3.1	-2.3	Vdc
Gate-Source Leakage Current ( $V_{DS} = 0\text{ Vdc}$ , $V_{GS} = -5\text{ Vdc}$ )	$I_{GSS}$	-7.5	—	—	mAdc

- Functional operation above  $225^\circ\text{C}$  has not been characterized and is not implied. Operation at  $T_{MAX}$  ( $275^\circ\text{C}$ ) reduces median time to failure by an order of magnitude; operation beyond  $T_{MAX}$  could cause permanent damage.
- Refer to AN1955, *Thermal Measurement Methodology of RF Power Amplifiers*. Go to <http://www.nxp.com/RF> and search for AN1955.
- $R_{\theta JC}$  (FEA) must be used for purposes related to reliability and limitations on maximum junction temperature. MTTF may be estimated by the expression  $MTTF\text{ (hours)} = 10[A + B/(T + 273)]$ , where  $T$  is the junction temperature in degrees Celsius,  $A = -10.3$  and  $B = 8260$ .

(continued)

**Table 4. Electrical Characteristics** ( $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise noted) (continued)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
<b>Functional Tests</b> <sup>(1)</sup> (In Freescale Test Fixture, 50 ohm system) $V_{DD} = 48\text{ Vdc}$ , $I_{DQ} = 200\text{ mA}$ , $P_{out} = 48\text{ W Avg.}$ , $f = 2170\text{ MHz}$ , Single-Carrier W-CDMA, IQ Magnitude Clipping, Input Signal PAR = 9.9 dB @ 0.01% Probability on CCDF. ACPR measured in 3.84 MHz Channel Bandwidth @ $\pm 5\text{ MHz}$ Offset. [See note on correct biasing sequence.]					
Power Gain	$G_{ps}$	16.2	17.7	19.2	dB
Drain Efficiency	$\eta_D$	33.5	37.5	—	%
Output Peak-to-Average Ratio @ 0.01% Probability on CCDF	PAR	6.2	6.8	—	dB
Adjacent Channel Power Ratio	ACPR	—	-33.2	-30	dBc
Input Return Loss	IRL	—	-12	-5	dB

**Load Mismatch** (In Freescale Test Fixture, 50 ohm system)  $I_{DQ} = 200\text{ mA}$ ,  $f = 1990\text{ MHz}$ , 12  $\mu\text{sec}(\text{on})$ , 10% Duty Cycle

VSWR 10:1 at 55 Vdc, 250 W Pulsed CW Output Power (3 dB Input Overdrive from 170 W Pulsed CW Rated Power)	No Device Degradation
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**Typical Performance** (In Freescale Test Fixture, 50 ohm system)  $V_{DD} = 48\text{ Vdc}$ ,  $I_{DQ} = 200\text{ mA}$ , 1805–2170 MHz Bandwidth

$P_{out}$ @ 1 dB Compression Point, CW	P1dB	—	158	—	W
$P_{out}$ @ 3 dB Compression Point <sup>(2)</sup>	P3dB	—	195	—	W
AM/PM (Maximum value measured at the P3dB compression point across the 1805–2170 MHz bandwidth)	$\Phi$	—	-16.9	—	°
VBW Resonance Point (IMD Third Order Intermodulation Inflection Point)	VBW <sub>res</sub>	—	140	—	MHz
Gain Flatness in 365 MHz Bandwidth @ $P_{out} = 48\text{ W Avg.}$	$G_F$	—	0.36	—	dB
Gain Variation over Temperature (-30°C to +85°C)	$\Delta G$	—	0.014	—	dB/°C
Output Power Variation over Temperature (-30°C to +85°C)	$\Delta P1dB$	—	0.002	—	dB/°C

**Table 5. Ordering Information**

Device	Tape and Reel Information	Package
A2G22S251-01SR3	R3 Suffix = 250 Units, 32 mm Tape Width, 13-inch Reel	NI-400S-2S

1. Part internally input matched.

2. P3dB =  $P_{avg} + 7.0\text{ dB}$  where  $P_{avg}$  is the average output power measured using an unclipped W-CDMA single-carrier input signal where output PAR is compressed to 7.0 dB @ 0.01% probability on CCDF.

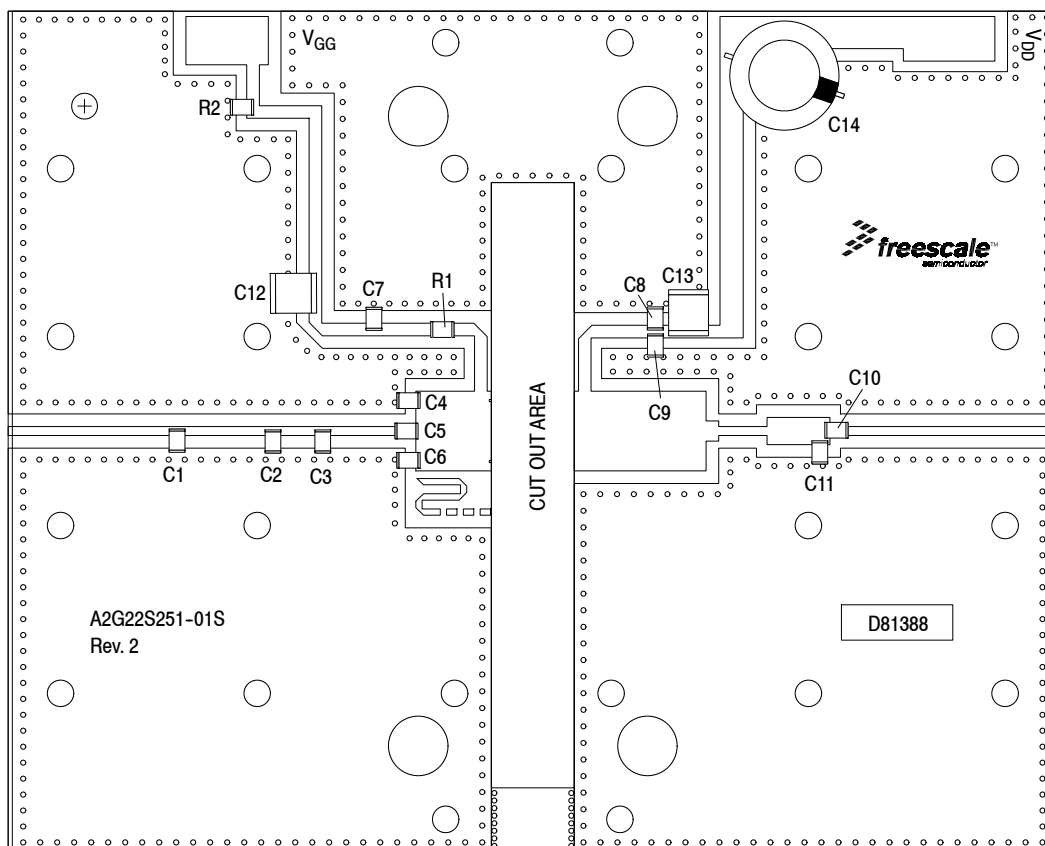
## NOTE: Correct Biasing Sequence for GaN Depletion Mode Transistors

### Turning the device ON

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

### Turning the device OFF

1. Turn RF power off
2. Reduce  $V_{GS}$  down to  $V_P$ , typically -5 V
3. Reduce  $V_{DS}$  down to 0 V (Adequate time must be allowed for  $V_{DS}$  to reduce to 0 V to prevent severe damage to device.)
4. Turn off  $V_{GS}$

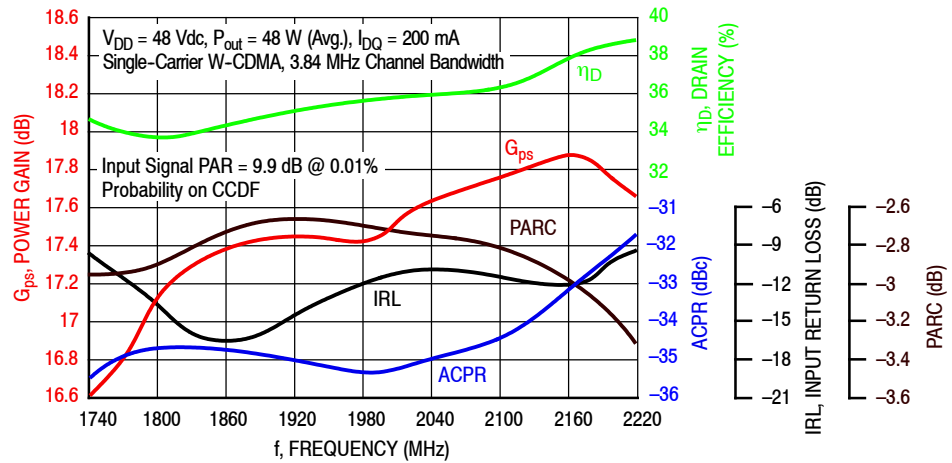


**Figure 2. A2G22S251-01SR3 Test Circuit Component Layout**

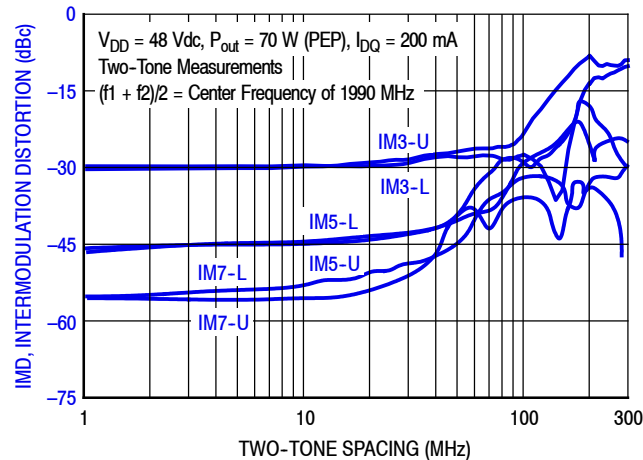
**Table 6. A2G22S251-01SR3 Test Circuit Component Designations and Values**

Part	Description	Part Number	Manufacturer
C1	1.8 pF Chip Capacitor	ATC600F1R8BT250XT	ATC
C2, C3	1.5 pF Chip Capacitors	ATC600F1R5BT250XT	ATC
C4, C11	0.3 pF Chip Capacitors	ATC600F0R3BT250XT	ATC
C5, C7	11 pF Chip Capacitors	ATC600F110JT250XT	ATC
C6	0.6 pF Chip Capacitor	ATC600F0R6BT250XT	ATC
C8, C9, C10	12 pF Chip Capacitors	ATC600F120JT250XT	ATC
C12, C13	10 $\mu$ F Chip Capacitors	C5750X7S2A106M230KB	TDK
C14	220 $\mu$ F, 100 V Electrolytic Capacitor	MCGPR100V227M16X26-RH	Multicomp
R1	3.9 $\Omega$ , 1/4 W Chip Resistor	CRCW12063R90FKEA	Vishay
R2	1.5 k $\Omega$ , 1/4 W Chip Resistor	CRCW12061K50FKEA	Vishay
PCB	Rogers RO4350B, 0.020", $\epsilon_r = 3.66$	D81388	MTL

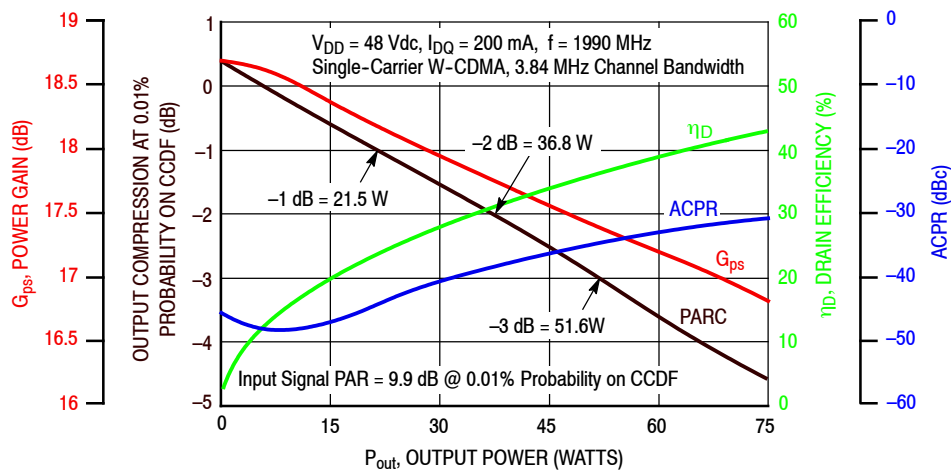
## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS — 1805–2170 MHz



**Figure 3. Single-Carrier Output Peak-to-Average Ratio Compression (PARC) Broadband Performance @  $P_{out} = 48$  Watts Avg.**

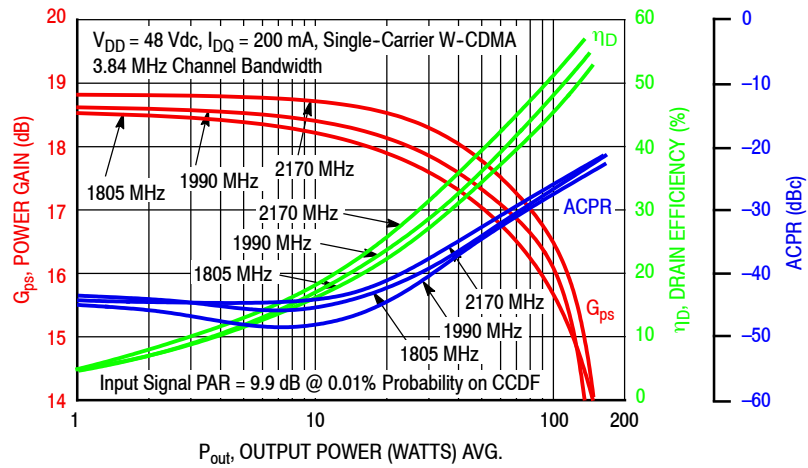


**Figure 4. Intermodulation Distortion Products versus Two-Tone Spacing**

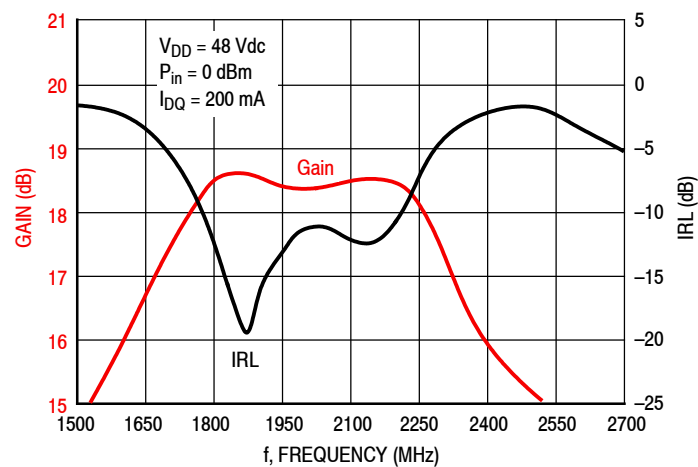


**Figure 5. Output Peak-to-Average Ratio Compression (PARC) versus Output Power**

## TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS — 1805–2170 MHz



**Figure 6. Single-Carrier W-CDMA Power Gain, Drain Efficiency and ACPR versus Output Power**



**Figure 7. Broadband Frequency Response**

**Table 7. Load Pull Performance — Maximum Power Tuning**V<sub>DD</sub> = 48 Vdc, I<sub>DQ</sub> = 222 mA, Pulsed CW, 10 μsec(on), 10% Duty Cycle

f (MHz)	Z <sub>source</sub> (Ω)	Z <sub>in</sub> (Ω)	Max Output Power					
			P1dB					
			Z <sub>load</sub> <sup>(1)</sup> (Ω)	Gain (dB)	(dBm)	(W)	η <sub>D</sub> (%)	AM/PM (°)
1805	2.35 – j6.11	2.60 + j6.52	2.39 – j2.34	18.8	53.1	202	55.9	–13
1990	4.56 – j7.73	6.02 + j8.13	2.38 – j3.05	18.4	52.7	185	54.2	–13
2170	10.1 – j2.50	9.62 + j1.70	2.62 – j3.64	18.2	52.5	177	51.4	–11

f (MHz)	Z <sub>source</sub> (Ω)	Z <sub>in</sub> (Ω)	Max Output Power					
			P3dB					
			Z <sub>load</sub> <sup>(2)</sup> (Ω)	Gain (dB)	(dBm)	(W)	η <sub>D</sub> (%)	AM/PM (°)
1805	2.35 – j6.11	2.67 + j6.93	3.62 – j3.15	17.1	54.4	277	63.8	–15
1990	4.56 – j7.73	6.90 + j8.73	3.70 – j4.14	16.6	54.2	263	61.0	–16
2170	10.1 – j2.50	9.93 + j0.17	3.70 – j4.12	16.6	54.0	254	60.5	–16

(1) Load impedance for optimum P1dB power.

(2) Load impedance for optimum P3dB power.

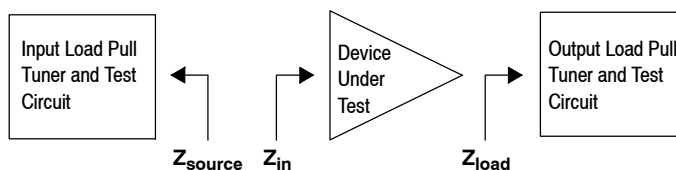
Z<sub>source</sub> = Measured impedance presented to the input of the device at the package reference plane.Z<sub>in</sub> = Impedance as measured from gate contact to ground.Z<sub>load</sub> = Measured impedance presented to the output of the device at the package reference plane.**Table 8. Load Pull Performance — Maximum Efficiency Tuning**V<sub>DD</sub> = 48 Vdc, I<sub>DQ</sub> = 222 mA, Pulsed CW, 10 μsec(on), 10% Duty Cycle

f (MHz)	Z <sub>source</sub> (Ω)	Z <sub>in</sub> (Ω)	Max Drain Efficiency					
			P1dB					
			Z <sub>load</sub> <sup>(1)</sup> (Ω)	Gain (dB)	(dBm)	(W)	η <sub>D</sub> (%)	AM/PM (°)
1805	2.35 – j6.11	2.07 + j7.17	2.18 – j0.08	20.5	50.9	124	68.5	–29
1990	4.56 – j7.73	5.77 + j9.93	2.25 – j0.84	20.2	50.5	113	65.5	–27
2170	10.1 – j2.50	12.1 – j0.35	2.03 – j1.14	20.2	50.2	104	63.8	–27

f (MHz)	Z <sub>source</sub> (Ω)	Z <sub>in</sub> (Ω)	Max Drain Efficiency					
			P3dB					
			Z <sub>load</sub> <sup>(2)</sup> (Ω)	Gain (dB)	(dBm)	(W)	η <sub>D</sub> (%)	AM/PM (°)
1805	2.35 – j6.11	2.13 + j7.61	2.56 – j0.03	18.7	52.1	161	75.8	–37
1990	4.56 – j7.73	7.18 + j10.9	2.84 – j0.78	18.5	51.9	156	73.8	–36
2170	10.1 – j2.50	11.0 – j2.92	2.30 – j1.05	18.4	51.5	140	72.1	–39

(1) Load impedance for optimum P1dB efficiency.

(2) Load impedance for optimum P3dB efficiency.

Z<sub>source</sub> = Measured impedance presented to the input of the device at the package reference plane.Z<sub>in</sub> = Impedance as measured from gate contact to ground.Z<sub>load</sub> = Measured impedance presented to the output of the device at the package reference plane.

## P1dB - TYPICAL LOAD PULL CONTOURS — 1990 MHz

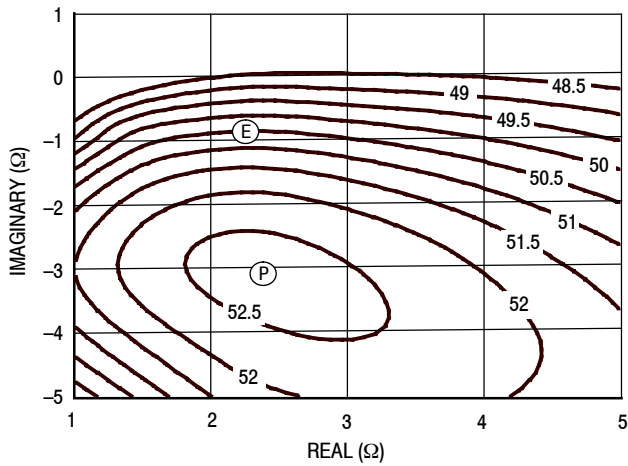


Figure 8. P1dB Load Pull Output Power Contours (dBm)

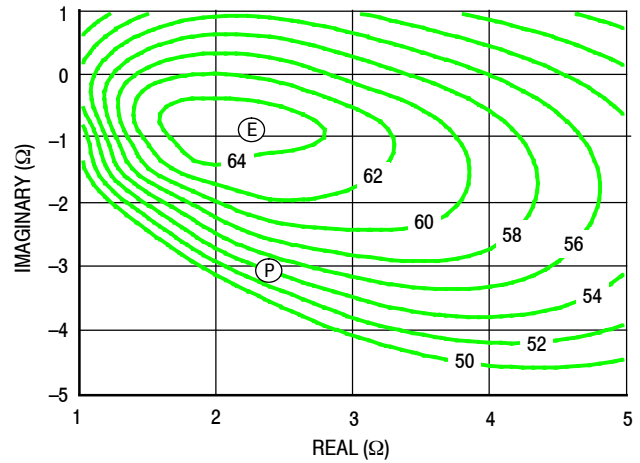


Figure 9. P1dB Load Pull Efficiency Contours (%)

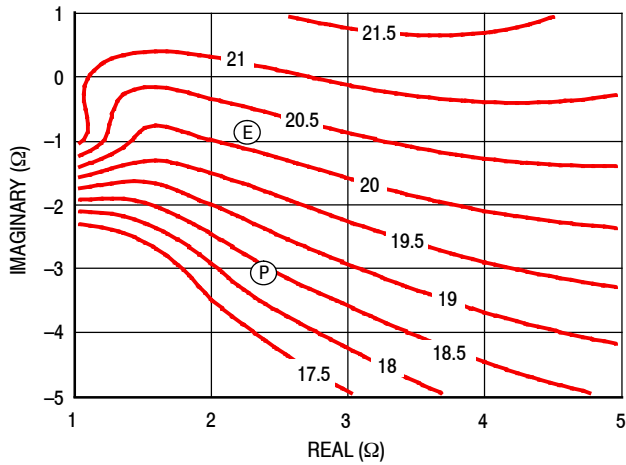


Figure 10. P1dB Load Pull Gain Contours (dB)

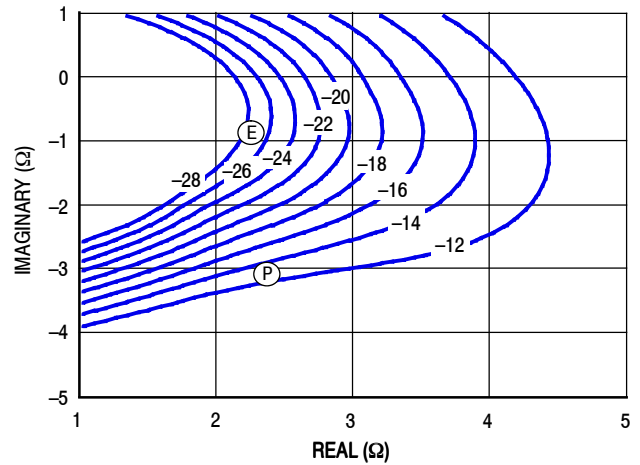


Figure 11. P1dB Load Pull AM/PM Contours (°)

**NOTE:** (P) = Maximum Output Power  
(E) = Maximum Drain Efficiency

- Gain
- Drain Efficiency
- Linearity
- Output Power



## P3dB - TYPICAL LOAD PULL CONTOURS — 1990 MHz

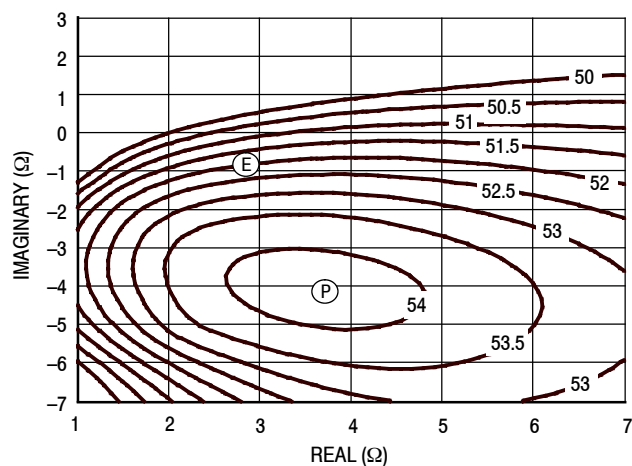


Figure 12. P3dB Load Pull Output Power Contours (dBm)

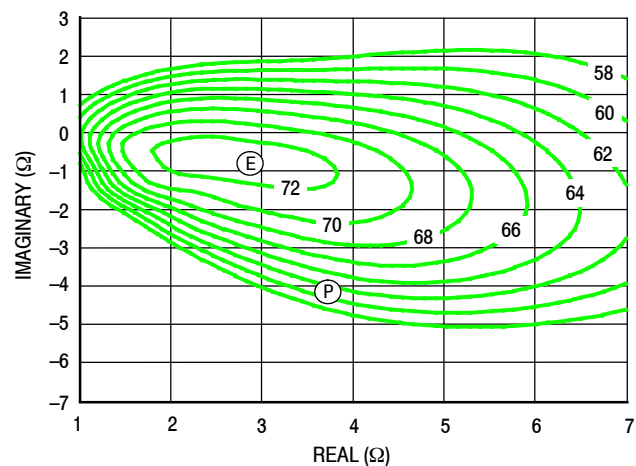


Figure 13. P3dB Load Pull Efficiency Contours (%)

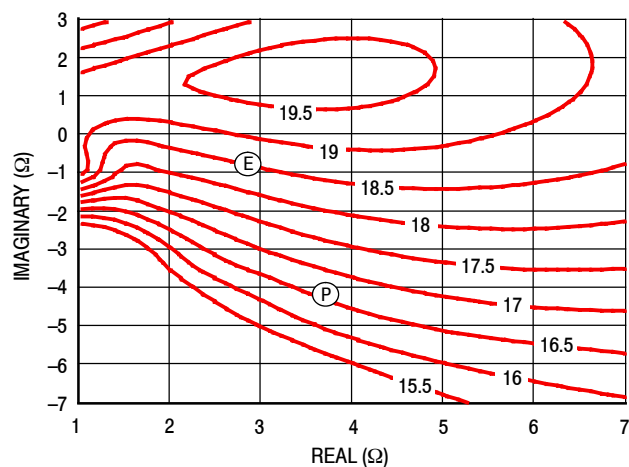


Figure 14. P3dB Load Pull Gain Contours (dB)

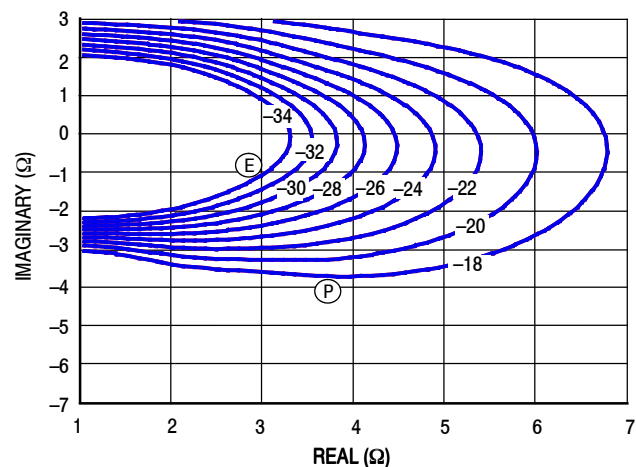


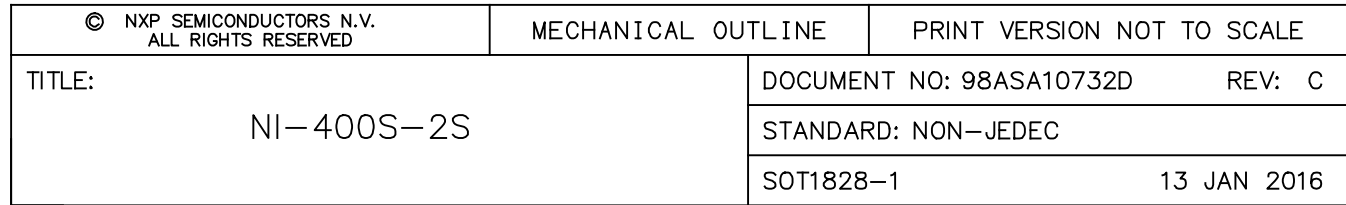
Figure 15. P3dB Load Pull AM/PM Contours (°)

**NOTE:** (P) = Maximum Output Power


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- Gain
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- Linearity
- Output Power

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NOTES:

1. CONTROLLING DIMENSION: INCH
2. INTERPRET DIMENSIONS AND TOLERANCES  
PER ASME Y14.5M-1994.
3.  DIMENSION H IS MEASURED .030 INCH (0.762 MM) AWAY FROM THE FLANGE TO CLEAR THE EPOXY FLOW OUT REGION PARALLEL TO DATUM B.
4. INPUT & OUTPUT LEADS (PIN 1 & 2) MAY HAVE SMALL FEATURES SUCH AS SQUARE HOLES OR NOTCHES FOR MANUFACTURING CONVENIENCE.

DIM	INCH		MILLIMETER		DIM	INCH		MILLIMETER	
	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX		MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX
AA	.395	.405	10.03	10.29	aaa	.005		0.13	
BB	.382	.388	9.70	9.86	bbb	.010		0.25	
CC	.125	.163	3.18	4.14	ccc	.015		0.38	
D	.275	.285	6.98	7.24					
E	.035	.045	0.89	1.14					
F	.004	.006	0.10	0.15					
H	.057	.067	1.45	1.70					
K	.0995	.1295	2.53	3.29					
M	.395	.405	10.03	10.29					
N	.385	.395	9.78	10.03					
R	.355	.365	9.02	9.27					
S	.365	.375	9.27	9.53					
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### Application Notes

- AN1955: Thermal Measurement Methodology of RF Power Amplifiers

### Engineering Bulletins

- EB212: Using Data Sheet Impedances for RF LDMOS Devices

### Software

- RF High Power Model
- .s2p File

### Development Tools

- Printed Circuit Boards

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