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Features

- GaN on Si HEMT D-Mode Transistor
- · Suitable for linear and saturated applications
- Tunable from DC 6 GHz
- 28 V Operation
- 9 dB Gain at 5.8 GHz
- 45% Drain Efficiency at 5.8 GHz
- 100% RF Tested
- Thermally-Enhanced 4 mm 24-Lead QFN
- RoHS* Compliant



The MAGX-011086 GaN HEMT is a wideband transistor optimized for DC - 6 GHz operation in a user friendly package ideal for high bandwidth applications. The device has been designed for saturated and linear operation with output power levels of 4 W (36 dBm) in an industry standard, low inductance, surface mount QFN package. The pads of the package form a coplanar launch that naturally absorbs lead parasitics and features a small PCB outline for space constrained applications.

The MAGX-011086 is ideally suited for Wireless LAN, High Dynamic Range LNA's, broadband general purpose, land mobile radio, defense communications, wireless infrastructure, and ISM applications.

Built using the SIGANTIC® process - a proprietary GaN-on-Silicon technology.

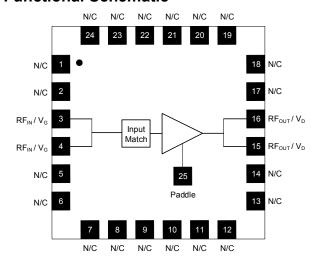
Ordering Information

| Part Number | Package |
|--------------------|---------------|
| MAGX-011086 | Bulk Quantity |
| MAGX-011086-SMBPPR | Sample Board |

 Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, European Union Directive 2011/65/EU.



Functional Schematic



Pin Configuration¹

| Pin No. | Pin Name | Function | |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------|--|
| 1 - 2 | N/C | No Connection | |
| 3 - 4 | RF_{IN} / V_{G} | RF Input / Gate | |
| 5 -14 | N/C | No Connection | |
| 15 - 16 | RF_{OUT} / V_D | RF Output / Drain | |
| 17 - 24 | N/C | No Connection | |
| 25 | Paddle ² | Ground / Source | |

- 1. All no connection pins may be left floating or grounded.
- The exposed pad centered on the package bottom must be connected to RF and DC ground and provide a low thermal resistance heat path.

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GaN Wideband Transistor 28 V, 4 W DC - 6 GHz

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RF Electrical Specifications: $T_A = 25$ °C, $V_{DS} = 28$ V, $I_{DQ} = 50$ mA

| Parameter | Test Conditions | Symbol | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Units |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|------|-------|-------|
| Small Signal Gain | CW, 5.8 GHz | Gss | - | 11 | - | dB |
| Saturated Output Power | CW, 5.8 GHz | P _{SAT} | - | 37 | - | dBm |
| Drain Efficiency at Saturation | CW, 5.8 GHz | h _{SAT} | - | 50 | - | % |
| Power Gain | 5.8 GHz, P _{OUT} = 4 W | G_{P} | 8 | 9 | - | dB |
| Drain Efficiency 5.8 GHz, P _{OUT} = 4 W | | h | 40 | 45 | - | % |
| Ruggedness: Output Mismatch | All phase angles | Υ | VSWR = 10:1, No Device Damage | | amage | |

DC Electrical Characteristics: T_A = 25°C

| Parameter | Test Conditions | Symbol | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Units |
|------------------------------|---|---------------------|------|------|------|-------|
| Drain-Source Leakage Current | $V_{GS} = -8 \text{ V}, V_{DS} = 100 \text{ V}$ | I _{DLK} | ı | - | 2 | mA |
| Gate-Source Leakage Current | V_{GS} = -8 V, V_{DS} = 0 V | I _{GLK} | - | - | 1 | mA |
| Gate Threshold Voltage | V_{DS} = +28 V, I_{D} = 2 mA | V _T | -2.5 | -1.5 | -0.5 | V |
| Gate Quiescent Voltage | V_{DS} = +28 V, I_{D} = 50 mA | V_{GSQ} | -2.1 | -1.2 | -0.3 | V |
| On Resistance | $V_{DS} = +2 \text{ V}, I_{D} = 15 \text{ mA}$ | R _{ON} | - | 2.0 | - | W |
| Saturated Drain Current | V _{DS} = 7 V, Pulse Width 300 μs | I _{D(SAT)} | - | 1.4 | - | А |



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Absolute Maximum Ratings^{3,4,5}

| Parameter | Absolute Max. | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Drain-Source Voltage, V _{DS} | 100 V | | |
| Gate-Source Voltage, V _{GS} | -10 V to 3 V | | |
| Gate Current, I _G | 4 mA | | |
| Junction Temperature, T _J | +200°C | | |
| Operating Temperature | -40°C to +85°C | | |
| Storage Temperature | -65°C to +150°C | | |

- 3. Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.
- 4. MACOM does not recommend sustained operation near these survivability limits.
- 5. Operating at nominal conditions with $T_J \le 200^{\circ}$ C will ensure MTTF > 1 x 10^6 hours.

Thermal Characteristics^{6, 7}

| Parameter | Test Conditions | Symbol | Тур. | Units |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|------|-------|
| Thermal Resistance | V_{DS} = 28 V, T_{J} = 200°C | Θ _{JC} | 12.5 | °C/W |

^{6.} Junction temperature (T_J) measured using IR Microscopy. Case temperature measured using thermocouple embedded in heat-sink.

Handling Procedures

Please observe the following precautions to avoid damage:

Static Sensitivity

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

^{7.} The thermal resistance of the mounting configuration must be added to the device \(\theta_{JC}\), for proper \(T_J\) calculation during operation. The recommended via pattern, shown on page 6, on a 20 mil thick, 1oz plated copper, PCB contributes an additional 6.6 °C/W to the typical value.



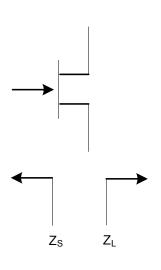
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Load-Pull Performance: V_{DS} = 28 V, I_{DQ} = 50 mA, T_A = 25°C

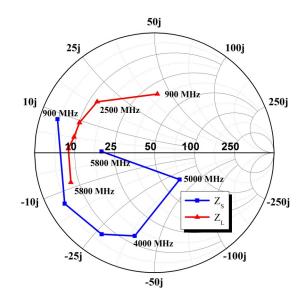
Reference Plane at Device Leads, CW Drain Efficiency and Output Power Tradeoff Impedance

| Frequency (MHz) | Z _s (W) | Z _L (W) | P _{SAT} (W) | G _{SS} (dB) | Drain Efficiency @ P _{SAT} (%) |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|---|
| 900 | 4.0 + j8.4 | 31.9 + j41.2 | 5.8 | 24.6 | 65 |
| 2500 | 4.0 - j13.1 | 12.5 + j18.0 | 5.1 | 19.5 | 63 |
| 3500 | 6.8 - j26.8 | 10.1 + j9.3 | 5.0 | 16.0 | 57 |
| 4000 | 13.4 - j37.8 | 9.5 + j4.7 | 5.0 | 15.3 | 56 |
| 5000 | 67.4 - j33.2 | 8.2 + j1.2 | 5.0 | 13.8 | 55 |
| 5800 | 19.4 + j0.5 | 7.7 - j8.4 | 5.0 | 12.0 | 55 |

Impedance Reference



Z_S and Z_L vs. Frequency

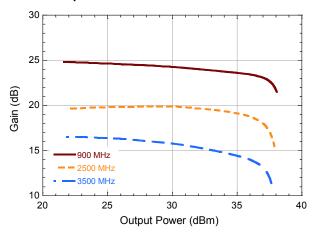




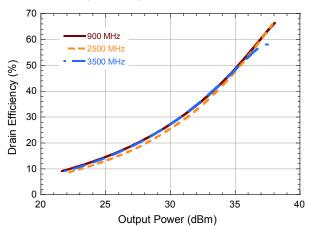
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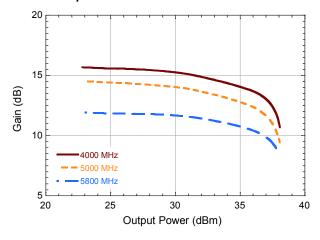
Gain vs. Output Power



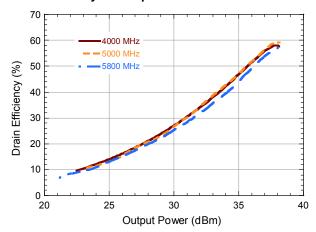
Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power



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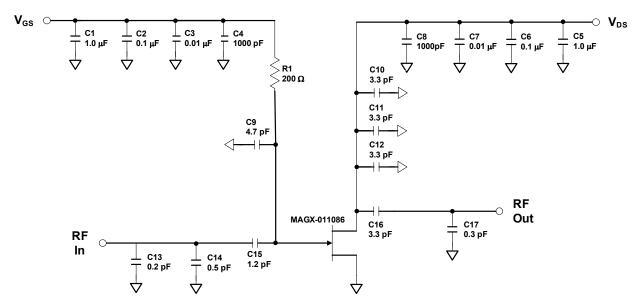




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Evaluation Board and Recommended Tuning Solution

5.8 GHz Narrowband Circuit



Description

Parts measured on evaluation board (20-mil thick RO4350). The PCB's electrical and thermal ground is provided using a standard-plated densely packed via hole array (see recommended via pattern).

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

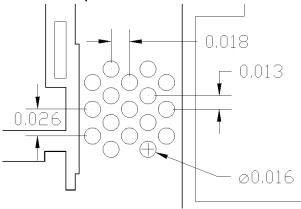
Turning the device ON

- 1. Set V_{GS} beyond pinch-off (V_P), typically -5 V.
- 2. Turn on V_{DS} to nominal voltage (28 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} .

Recommended Via Pattern (All dimensions shown as inches)

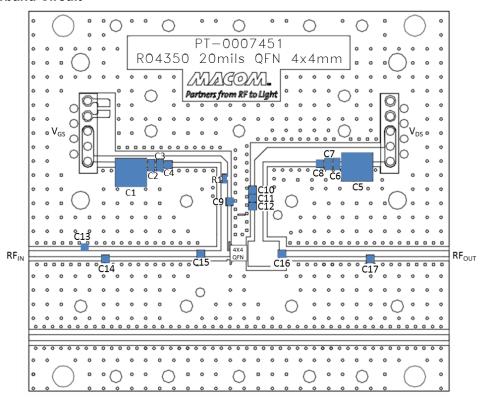




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Parts list

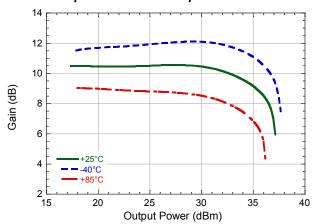
| Reference | Value | Tolerance | Manufacturer | Part Number |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------|-----------------|------------------|
| C1, C5 | 1.0 µF | 10 % | AVX | 12101C105KAT2A |
| C2, C6 | 0.1 μF | 10 % | Kemet | C1206C104K1RACTU |
| C3, C7 | 0.01 μF | 10 % | AVX | 12061C103KAT2A |
| C4, C8 | 1000 pF | 10 % | Kemet | C0805C102K1RACTU |
| C9 | 4.7 pF | 0.1 pF | ATC | ATC800A4R7B250 |
| C10, C11, C12, C16 | 3.3 pF | 0.1 pF | ATC | ATC800A3R3B250 |
| C13 | 0.2 pF | 0.1 pF | ATC | ATC800A0R2B250 |
| C14 | 0.5 pF | 0.1 pF | ATC | ATC800A0R5B250 |
| C15 | 1.2 pF | 0.1 pF | ATC | ATC800A1R2B250 |
| C17 | 0.3 pF | 0.1 pF | ATC | ATC800A0R3B250 |
| R1 | 200 Ω | 1 % | Panasonic | ERJ-6ENF2000V |
| RF Connector | SMA | | Amphenol-Connex | 132150 |
| DC Connector | D-Subminiature | | ERNI | 284525 |
| PCB | RO4350 | | Rogers Corp | |



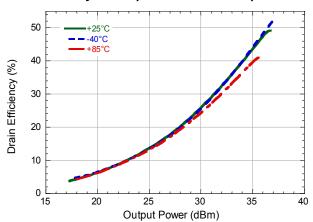
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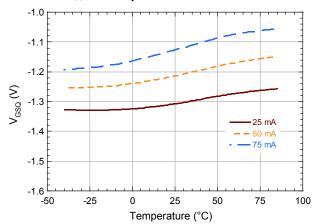
Gain vs. Output Power over Temperature



Drain Efficiency vs. Output Power over Temperature



Quiescent V_{GS} vs. Temperature

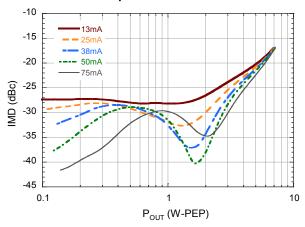




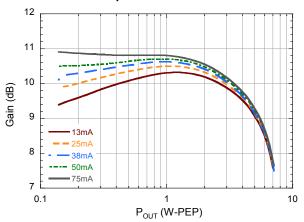
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Typical 2-Tone Performance as measured in the 5.8 GHz evaluation board: 1 MHz Tone Spacing, V_{DS} = 28 V, I_{DQ} = 50 mA, T_A = 25°C (unless noted)

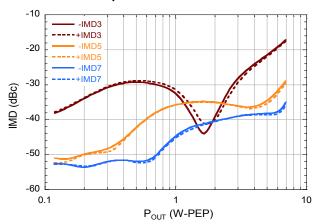
2-Tone IMD3 vs. Output Power vs. Quiescent Current



2-Tone Gain vs. Output Power vs. Quiescent Current



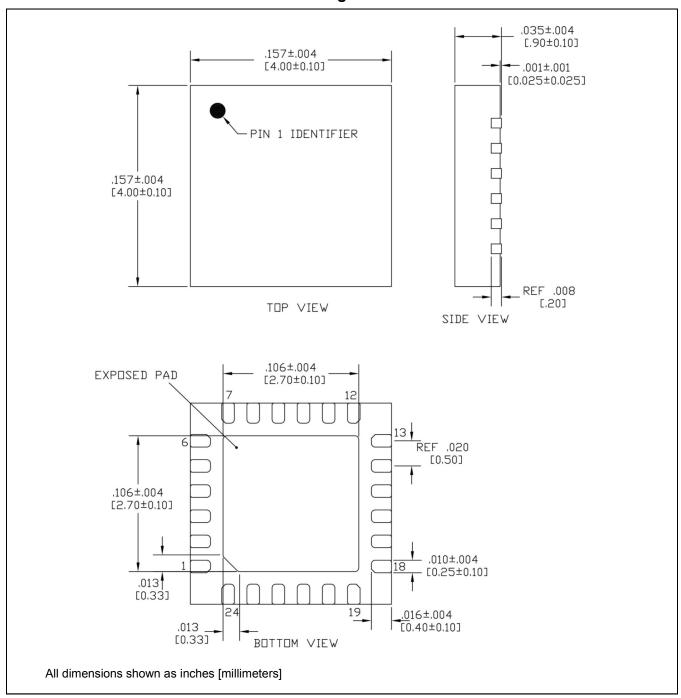
2-Tone IMD vs. Output Power





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Lead Free 4 mm 24 Lead QFN Plastic Package[†]



[†] Meets JEDEC moisture sensitivity level 3 requirements. Plating is Matte Sn