

General Description

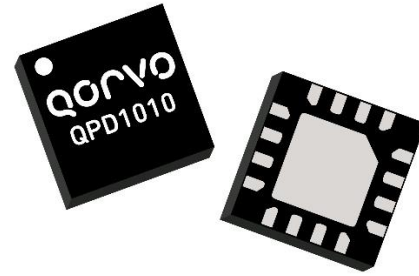
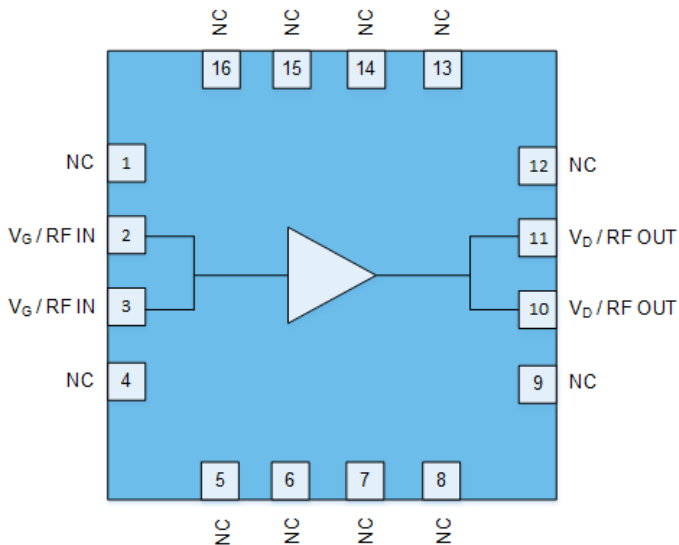
The Qorvo QPD1010 is a 10 W (P_{3dB}) discrete GaN on SiC HEMT which operates from DC to 4 GHz. The device is constructed with Qorvo’s proven QGaN25HV process, which features advanced field plate techniques to optimize power and efficiency at high drain bias operating conditions. This optimization can potentially lower system costs in terms of fewer amplifier line-ups and lower thermal management costs.

The device is housed in an industry-standard 3 x 3 mm surface mount QFN package.

Lead-free and ROHS compliant

Evaluation boards are available upon request.

Functional Block Diagram



16 Pin QFN (3 x 3 x 0.85 mm)

Product Features

- Frequency: DC to 4 GHz
- Output Power (P_{3dB}): 11 W¹
- Linear Gain: 24.7 dB¹
- Typical $DEFF_{3dB}$: 71%¹
- Operating Voltage: 50 V
- Low thermal resistance package
- CW and Pulse capable
- 3 x 3 mm package

Note 1: @ 2 GHz (Loadpull)

Applications

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

Ordering info

| Part No. | Description |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| QPD1010 | DC – 4 GHz RF Transistor |
| QPD1010PCB1B01 | 0.96 – 1.215 GHz EVB |
| QPD1010EVB02 | 2.7 – 3.5 GHz EVB |

Absolute Maximum Ratings¹

| Parameter | Rating | Units |
|---|-------------|------------------|
| Breakdown Voltage, BV_{DG} | +145 | V |
| Gate Voltage Range, V_G | -7 to +2 | V |
| Maximum Drain Current, I_{DMAX} | 1.46 | A |
| Gate Current Range, I_G | See page 4. | mA |
| Power Dissipation, CW, P_{DISS} | 12.8 | W |
| RF Input Power at 2 GHz, CW, 50 Ω , $T = 25^\circ\text{C}$ | +24 | dBm |
| Mounting Temperature (30 Seconds) | 320 | $^\circ\text{C}$ |
| Storage Temperature | -40 to +150 | $^\circ\text{C}$ |

Notes:

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

Recommended Operating Conditions¹

| Parameter | Min | Typ | Max | Units |
|---|-----|------|------|------------------|
| Operating Temp. Range | -40 | +25 | +85 | $^\circ\text{C}$ |
| Drain Voltage Range, V_D | +12 | +50 | +60 | V |
| Drain Bias Current, I_{DQ} | – | 18 | – | mA |
| Drain Current, I_D | – | 400 | – | mA |
| Gate Voltage, V_G^4 | – | -2.8 | – | V |
| Power Dissipation, CW (P_D) ² | – | – | 11.4 | W |
| Power Dissipation, Pulsed (P_D) ^{2, 3} | – | – | 13.5 | 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. Back plane of package at 85°C
3. Pulse Width = 128 μs , Duty Cycle = 10%
4. To be adjusted to desired I_{DQ}

Pulsed Characterization – Load Pull Performance – Power Tuned

| Parameters | Typical Values | | | | | Unit |
|---|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3.5 | 4 | |
| Frequency, F | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3.5 | 4 | GHz |
| Linear Gain, G_{LIN} | 26.4 | 24.7 | 21.4 | 20.7 | 19.8 | dB |
| Output Power at 3dB compression point, P_{3dB} | 40.9 | 40.4 | 41 | 40.7 | 40.4 | dBm |
| Drain Efficiency at 3dB compression point, $DEFF_{3dB}$ | 69.4 | 63.2 | 64.7 | 59.5 | 53.9 | % |
| Gain at 3dB compression point | 23.4 | 21.7 | 18.4 | 17.7 | 16.8 | dB |

Notes:

1. Test conditions unless otherwise noted: $V_D = +50\text{ V}$, $I_{DQ} = 18\text{ mA}$, $Temp = +25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

Pulsed Characterization – Load Pull Performance – Efficiency Tuned

| Parameters | Typical Values | | | | | Unit |
|---|----------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3.5 | 4 | |
| Frequency | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3.5 | 4 | GHz |
| Linear Gain, G_{LIN} | 27.1 | 25.3 | 22.3 | 21.3 | 20.1 | dB |
| Output Power at 3dB compression point, P_{3dB} | 39.7 | 38.6 | 39.7 | 39.1 | 39.8 | dBm |
| Drain Efficiency at 3dB compression point, $DEFF_{3dB}$ | 80.5 | 71.0 | 74.1 | 65.1 | 57.8 | % |
| Gain at 3dB compression point, G_{3dB} | 24.1 | 22.3 | 19.3 | 18.3 | 17.1 | dB |

Notes:

1. Test conditions unless otherwise noted: $V_D = +50\text{ V}$, $I_{DQ} = 18\text{ mA}$, $Temp = +25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

RF Characterization – 0.96 – 1.215 GHz EVB Performance At 1.09 GHz¹

| Parameter | Min | Typ | Max | Units |
|---|-----|------|-----|-------|
| Linear Gain, G_{LIN} | – | 19.3 | – | dB |
| Output Power at 3dB compression point, P_{3dB} | – | 40.5 | – | dBm |
| Drain Efficiency at 3dB compression point, $DEFF_{3dB}$ | – | 65.7 | – | % |
| Gain at 3dB compression point, G_{3dB} | – | 16.3 | – | dB |

Notes:

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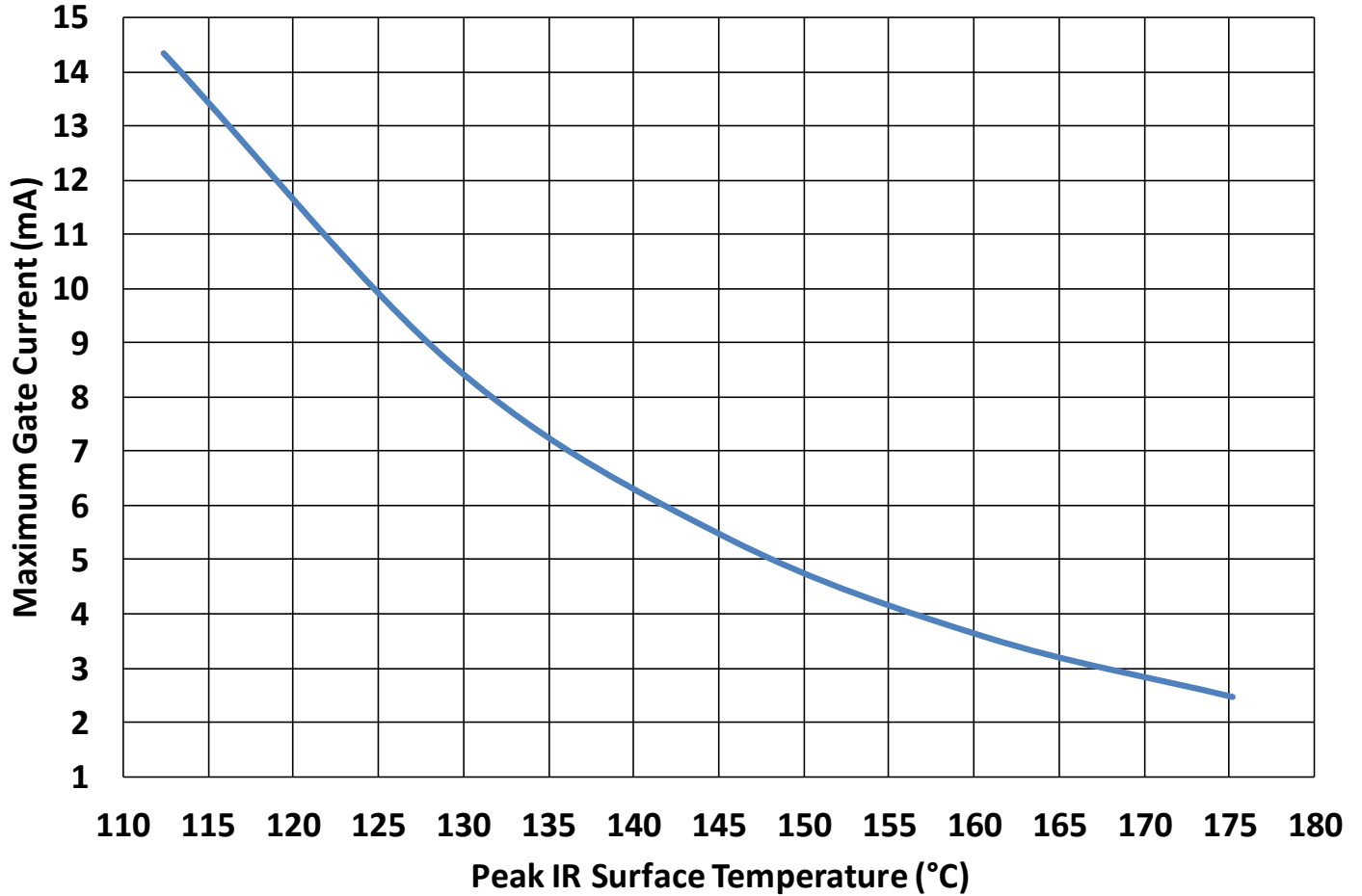
RF Characterization – Mismatch Ruggedness at 1.1 GHz

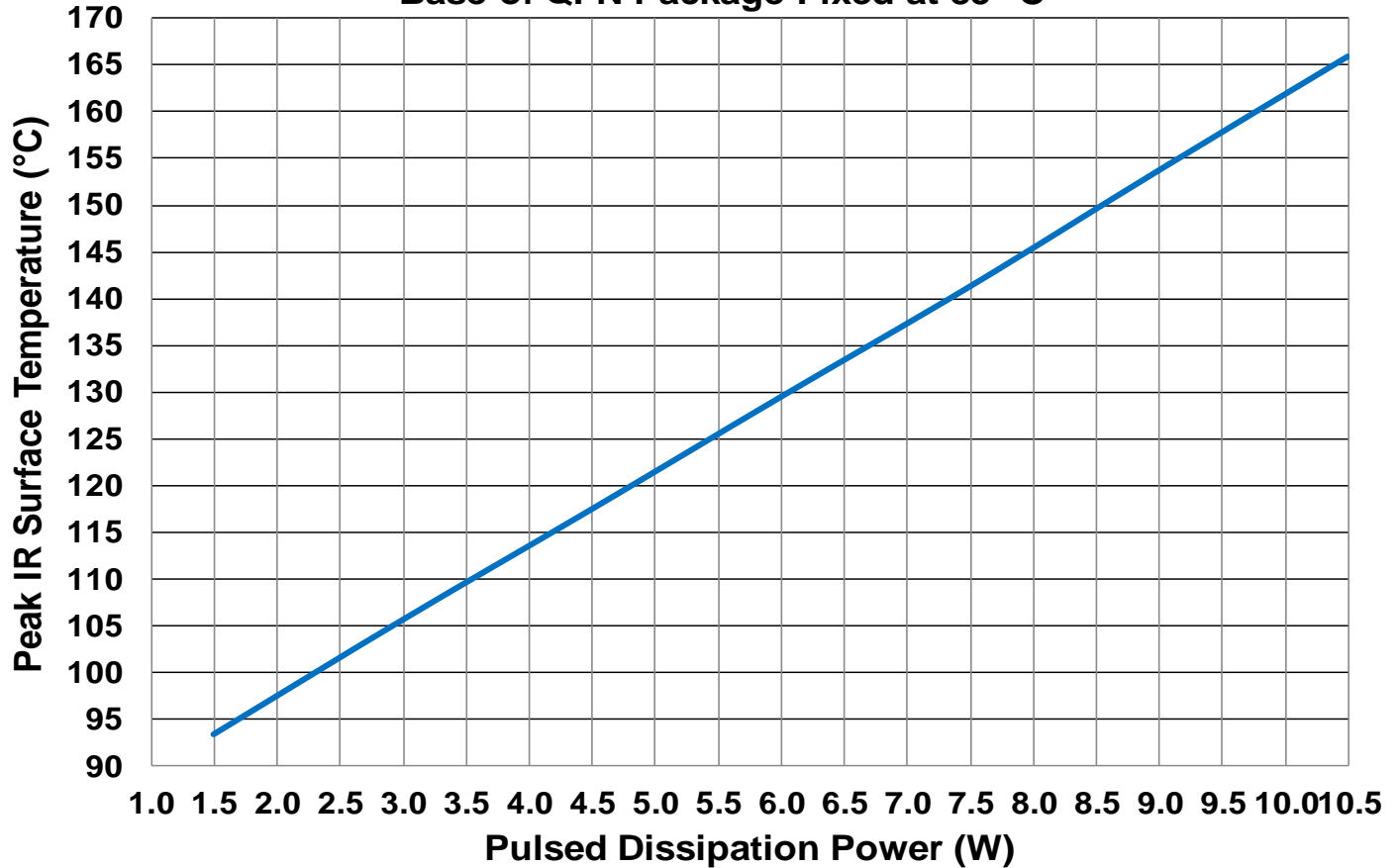
| Symbol | Parameter | dB Compression | Typical |
|--------|-------------------------------|----------------|---------|
| VSWR | Impedance Mismatch Ruggedness | 3 | 10:1 |

Test conditions unless otherwise noted: $T_A = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $V_D = 50\text{ V}$, $I_{DQ} = 18\text{ mA}$

Driving input power is determined at pulsed compression under matched condition at EVB output connector.

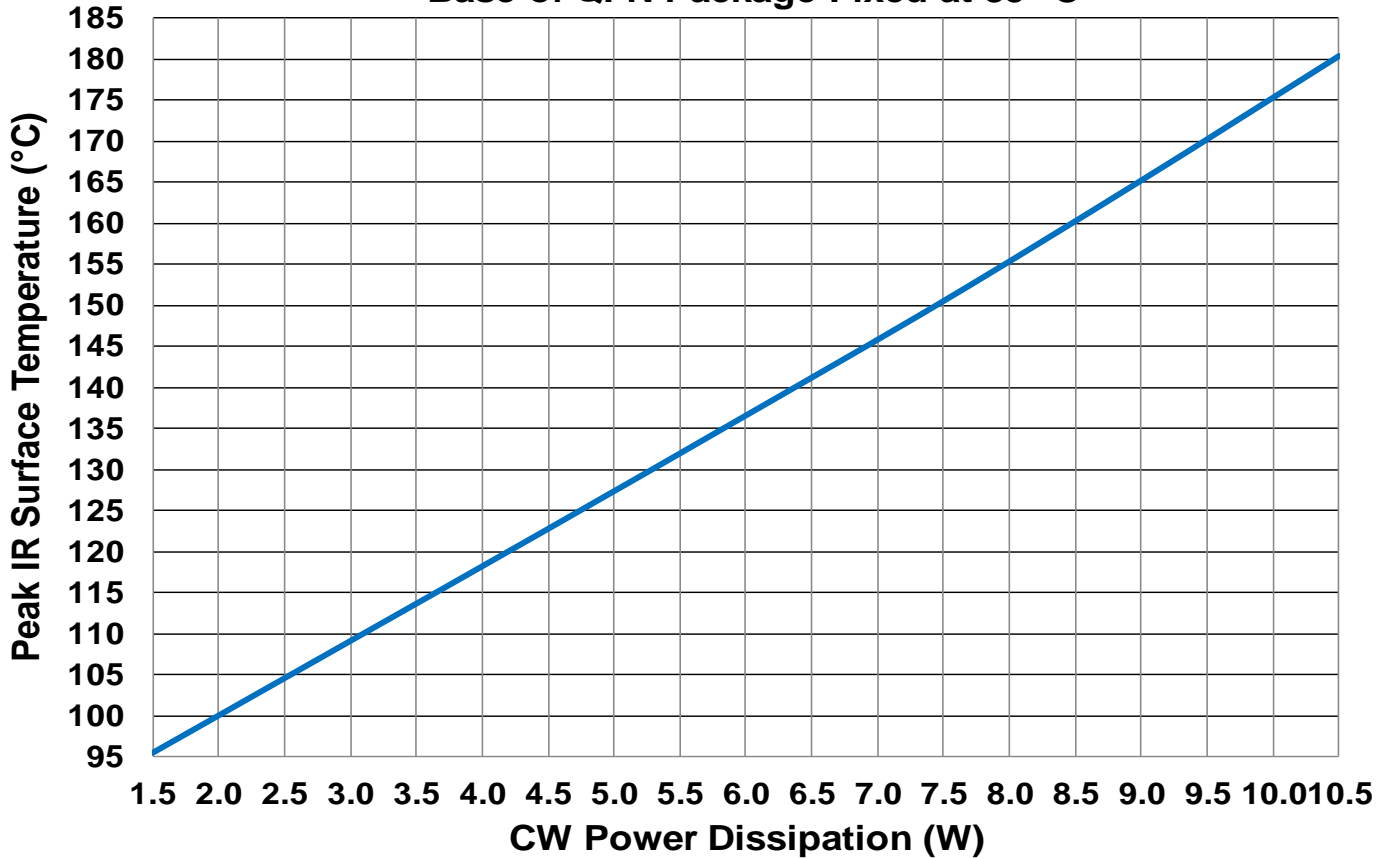
Maximum Gate Current

Maximum Gate Current Vs. Peak IR Surface Temperature

Thermal and Reliability Information - Pulsed
**Peak IR Surface Temperature vs. Pulsed Dissipation Power
Base of QFN Package Fixed at 85 °C**


| Parameter | Conditions | Values | Units |
|---|---------------------------|--------|-------|
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 6.89 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 3 W Pdiss, 128 uS, 10% | 106 | °C |
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 7.22 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 4.5 W Pdiss, 128 uS, 10% | 118 | °C |
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 7.42 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 6 W Pdiss, 128 uS, 10% | 130 | °C |
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 7.51 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 7.5 W Pdiss, 128 uS, 10% | 141 | °C |
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 7.64 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 9 W Pdiss, 128 uS, 10% | 154 | °C |
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 7.71 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 10.5 W Pdiss, 128 uS, 10% | 166 | °C |

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

Thermal and Reliability Information - CW
**Peak IR Surface Temperature vs. CW Dissipation Power
Base of QFN Package Fixed at 85 °C**


| Parameter | Conditions | Values | Units |
|---|------------------|--------|-------|
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 8.06 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 3 W Pdiss, CW | 109 | °C |
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 8.41 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 4.5 W Pdiss, CW | 123 | °C |
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 8.61 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 6.0 W Pdiss, CW | 137 | °C |
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 8.75 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 7.5 W Pdiss, CW | 151 | °C |
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 8.93 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 9.0 W Pdiss, CW | 165 | °C |
| Thermal Resistance, IR ¹ (θ_{JC}) | 85 °C Case | 9.09 | °C/W |
| Peak IR Surface Temperature ¹ (T_{CH}) | 10.5 W Pdiss, CW | 181 | °C |

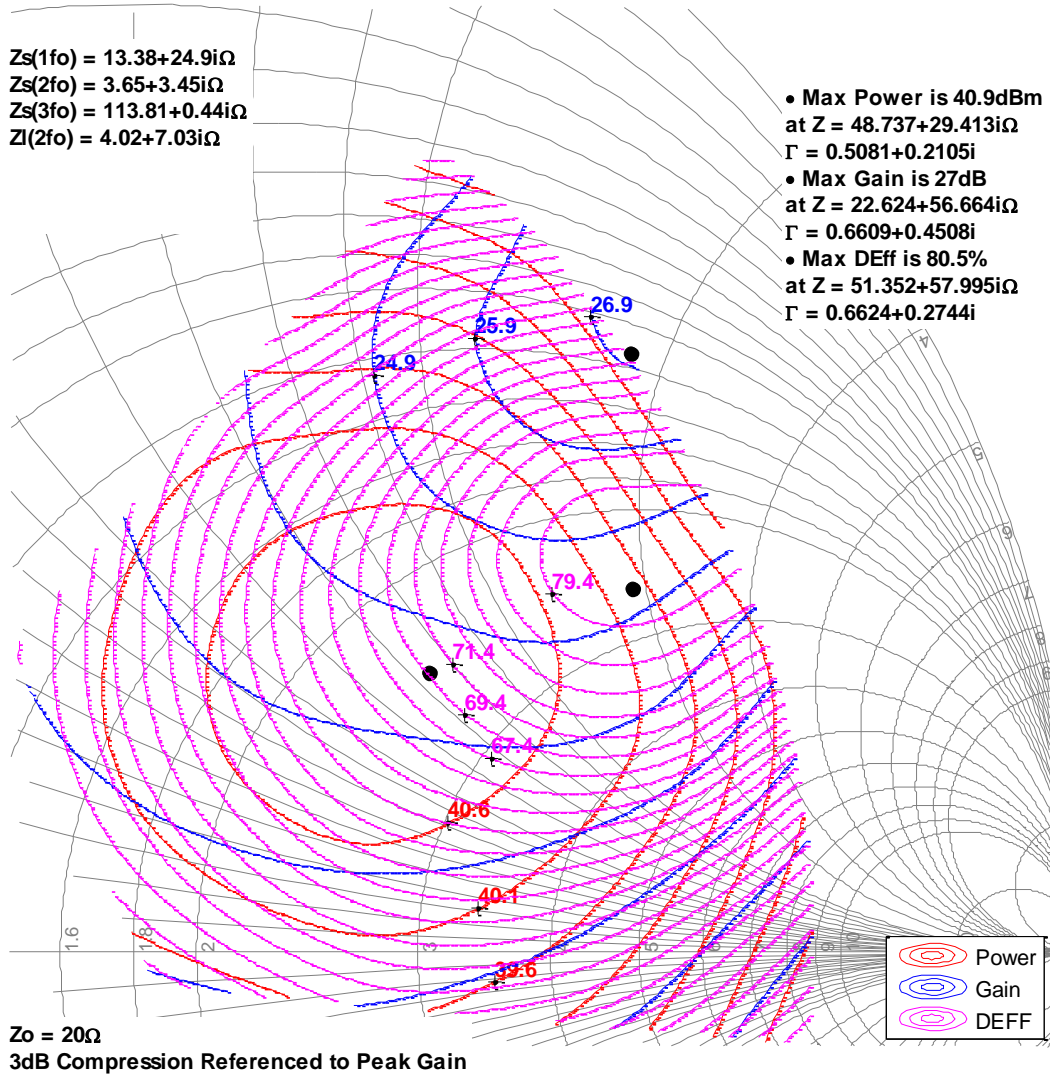
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Load Pull Smith Charts^{1,2}

Notes:

1. $V_d = 50\text{ V}$, $I_{DQ} = 18\text{ mA}$, Pulsed signal with 128 μs pulse width and 10 % duty cycle. Performance is at indicated input power.
2. See page 18 for load pull and source pull reference planes. 20- Ω load pull TRL fixtures are built with 20-mil RO4350B material.

1GHz, Load-pull

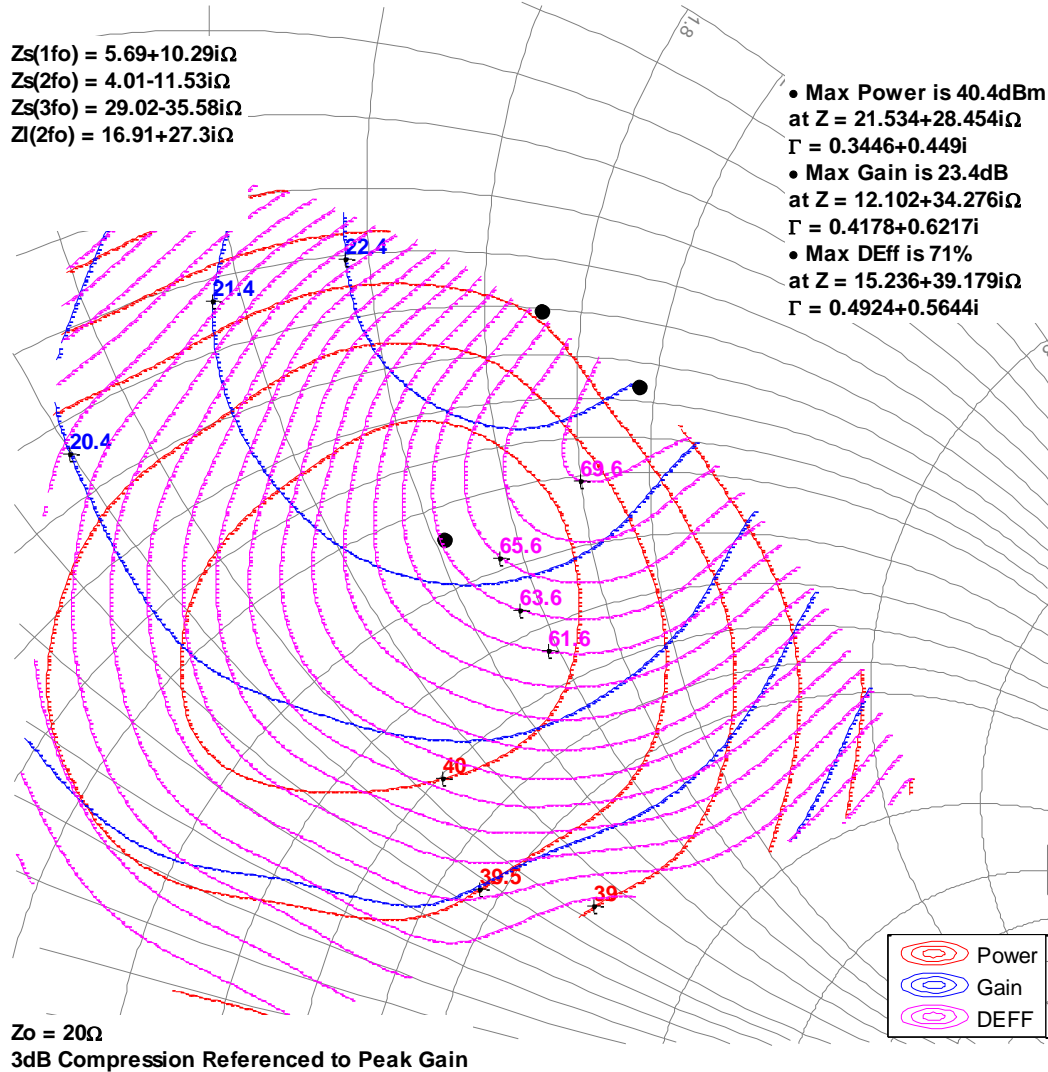


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2GHz, Load-pull



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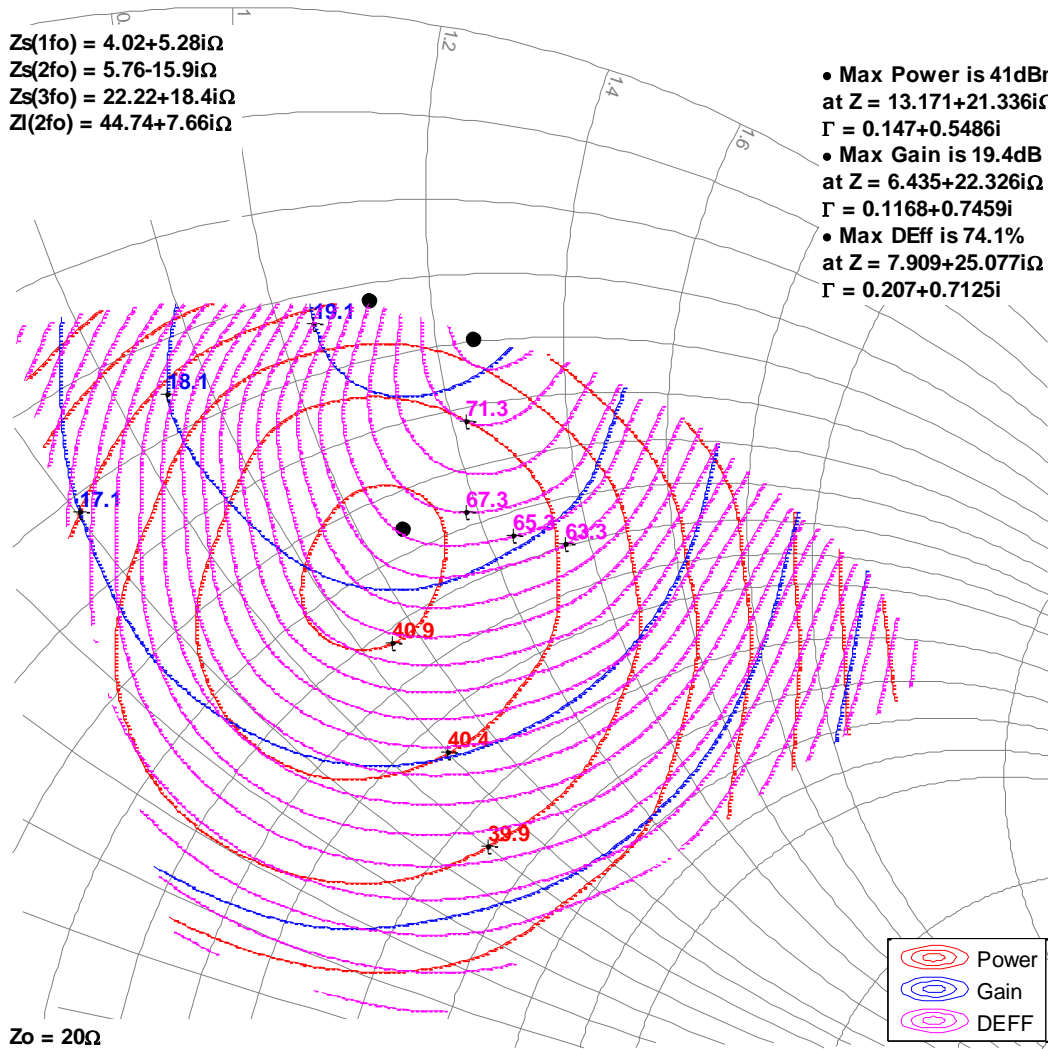
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3GHz, Load-pull

$Z_s(1fo) = 4.02+5.28i\Omega$
 $Z_s(2fo) = 5.76-15.9i\Omega$
 $Z_s(3fo) = 22.22+18.4i\Omega$
 $Z_l(2fo) = 44.74+7.66i\Omega$

- Max Power is 41dBm at $Z = 13.171+21.336i\Omega$
 $\Gamma = 0.147+0.5486i$
- Max Gain is 19.4dB at $Z = 6.435+22.326i\Omega$
 $\Gamma = 0.1168+0.7459i$
- Max DEff is 74.1% at $Z = 7.909+25.077i\Omega$
 $\Gamma = 0.207+0.7125i$



$Z_o = 20\Omega$
 3dB Compression Referenced to Peak Gain

Load Pull Smith Charts^{1,2}

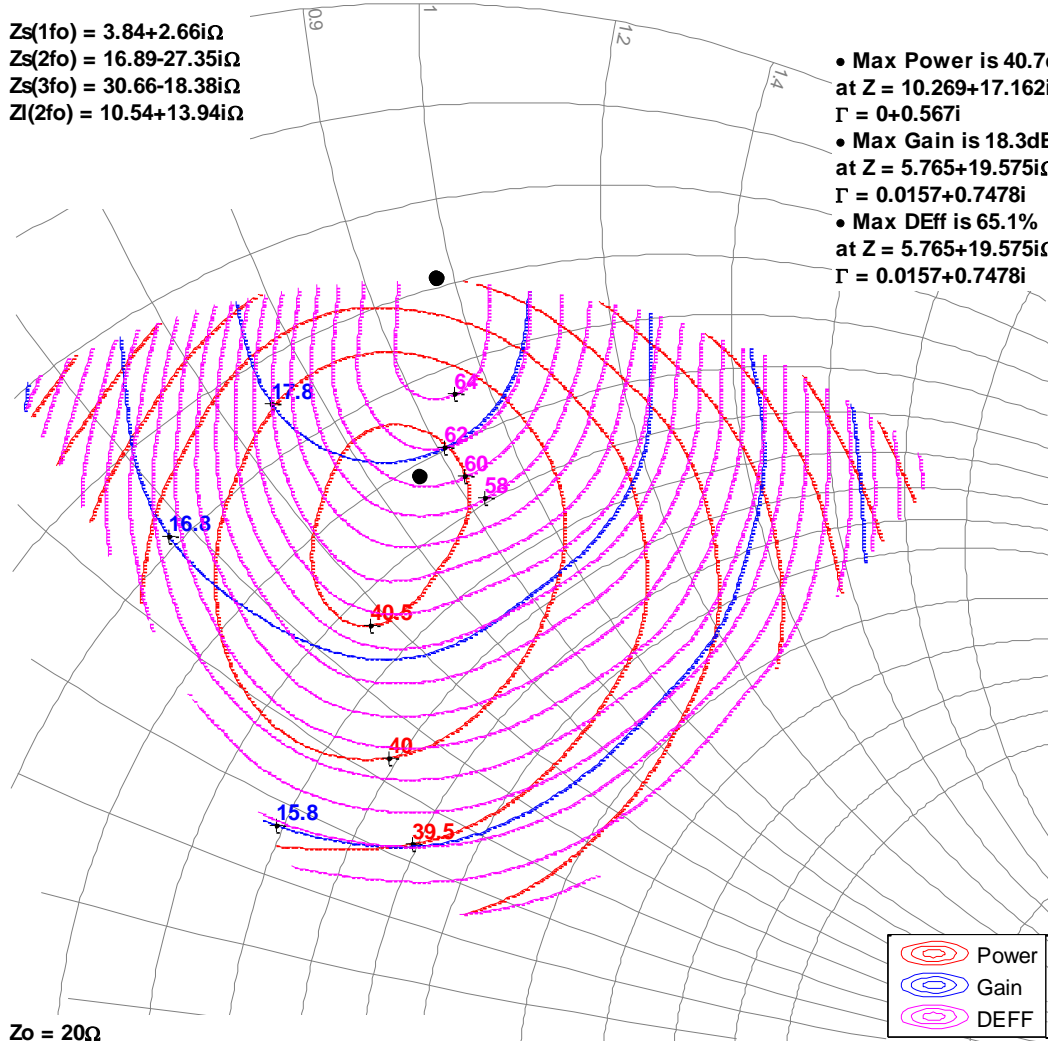
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3.5GHz, Load-pull

$Z_s(1fo) = 3.84+2.66i\Omega$
 $Z_s(2fo) = 16.89-27.35i\Omega$
 $Z_s(3fo) = 30.66-18.38i\Omega$
 $Z_l(2fo) = 10.54+13.94i\Omega$

- Max Power is 40.7dBm at $Z = 10.269+17.162i\Omega$
 $\Gamma = 0+0.567i$
- Max Gain is 18.3dB at $Z = 5.765+19.575i\Omega$
 $\Gamma = 0.0157+0.7478i$
- Max DEff is 65.1% at $Z = 5.765+19.575i\Omega$
 $\Gamma = 0.0157+0.7478i$



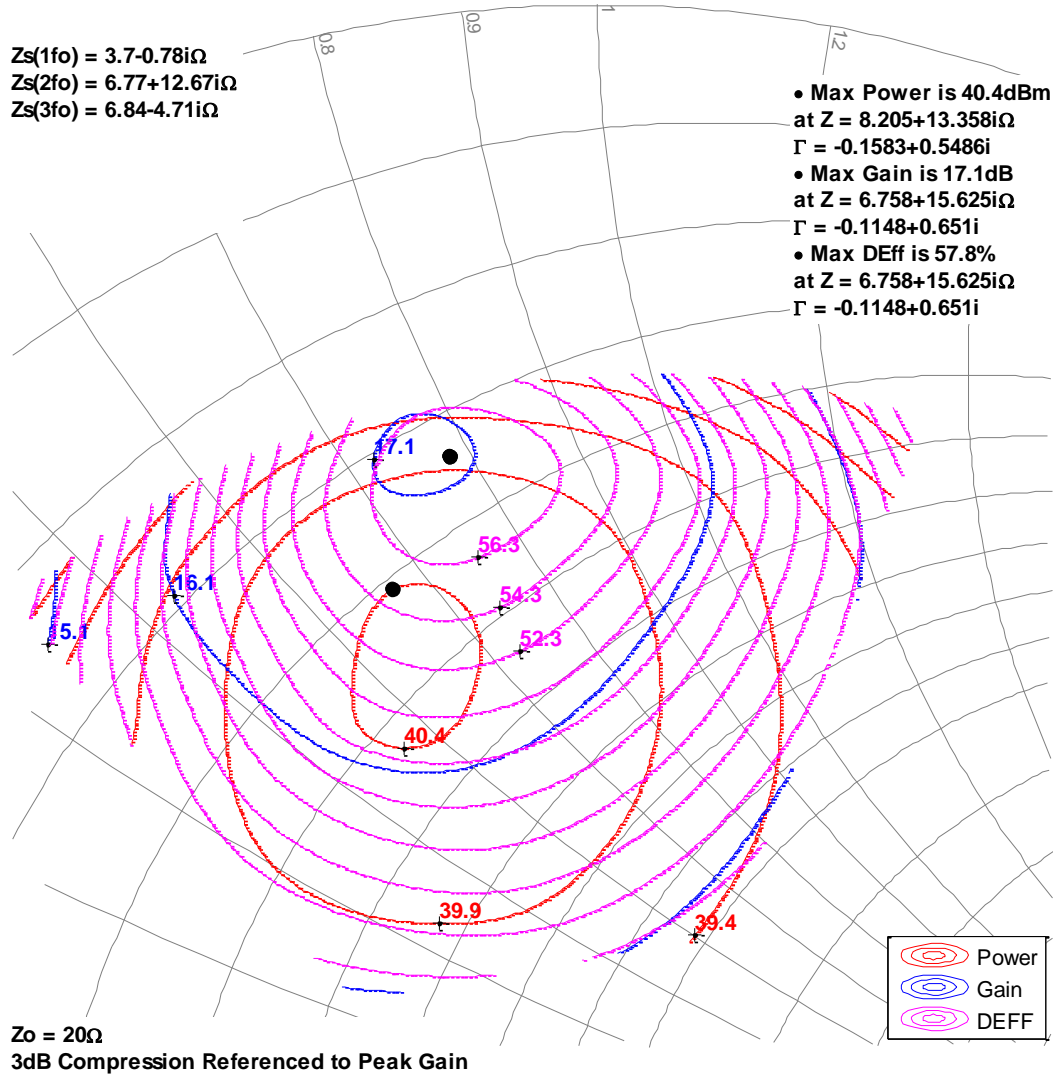
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3dB Compression Referenced to Peak Gain

Load Pull Smith Charts^{1,2}

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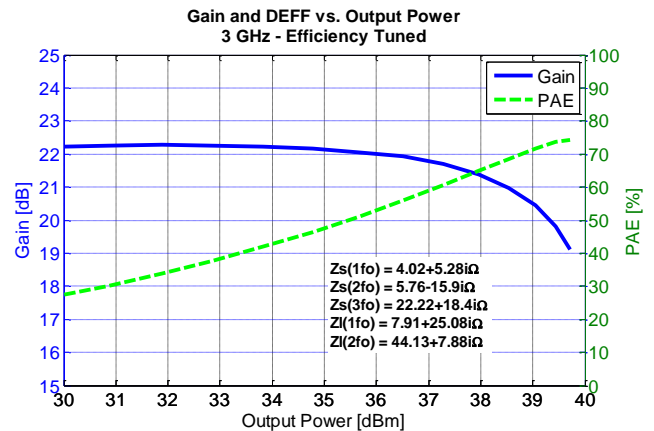
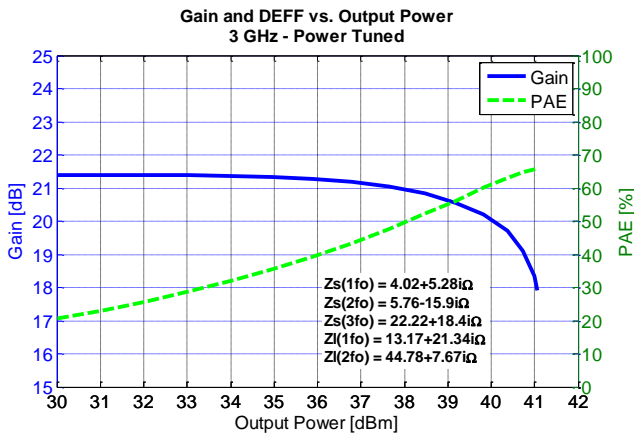
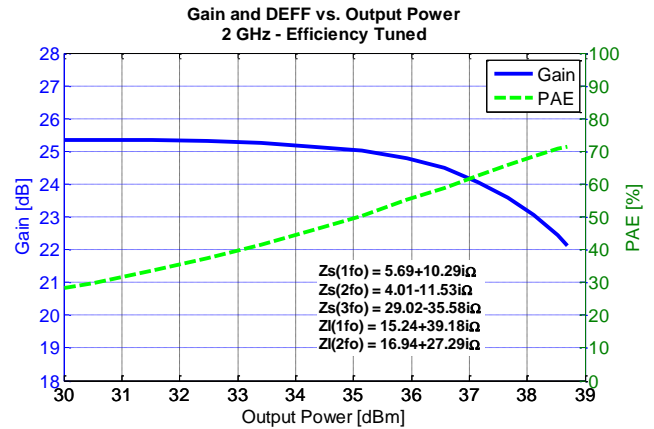
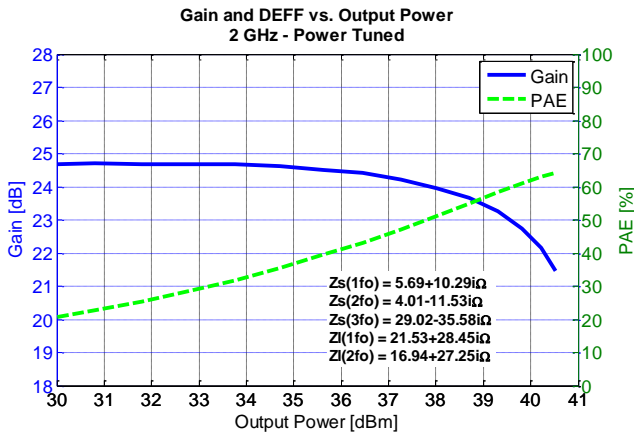
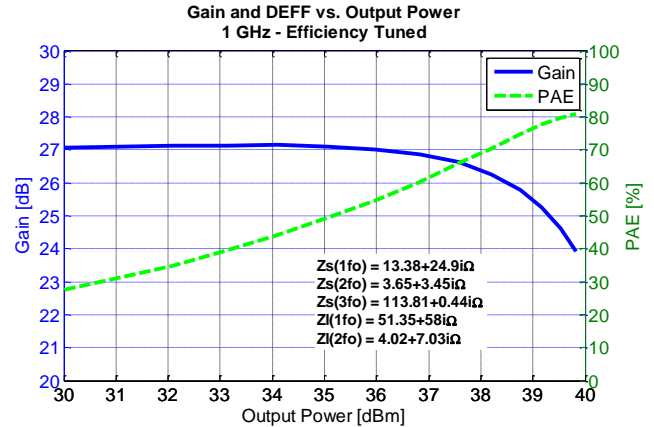
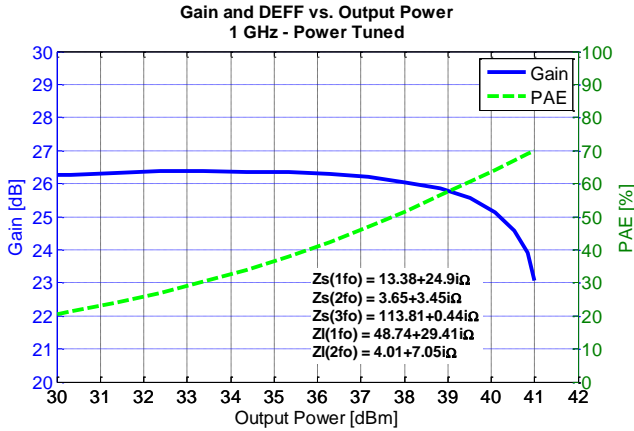
4GHz, Load-pull



Typical Performance – Load Pull Drive-up ^{1, 2}

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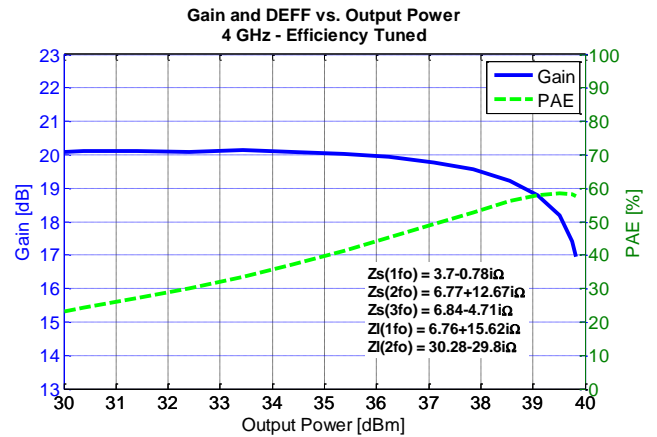
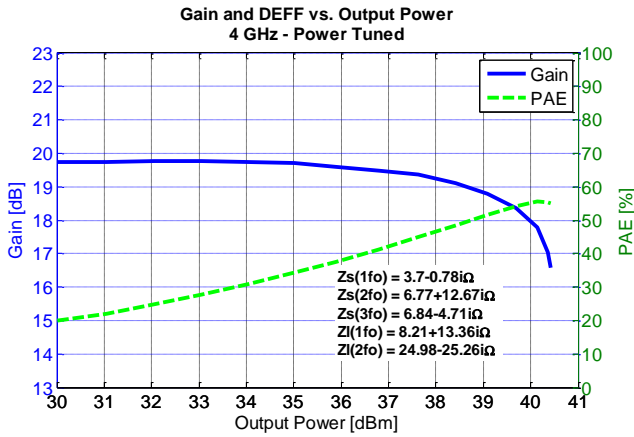
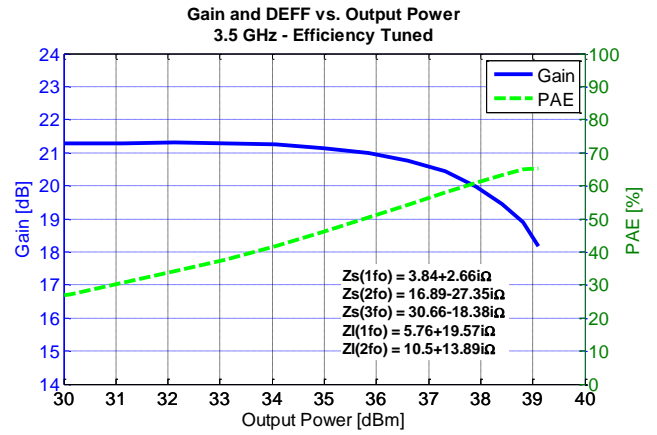
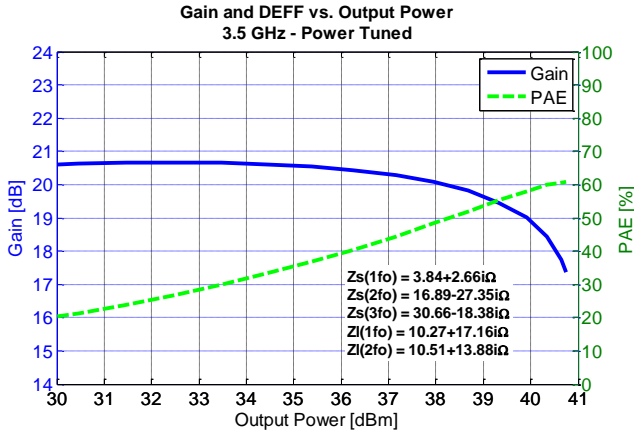
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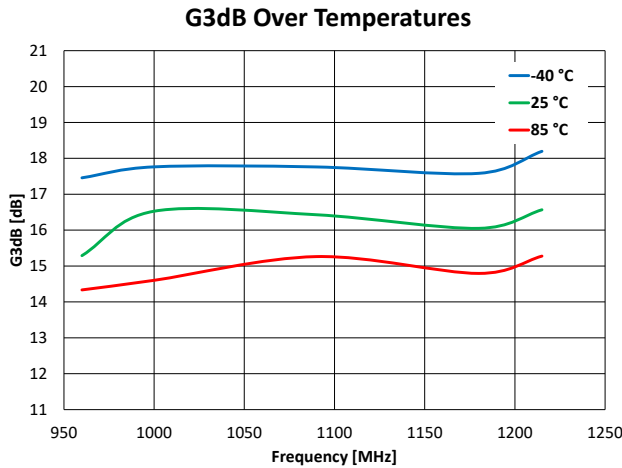
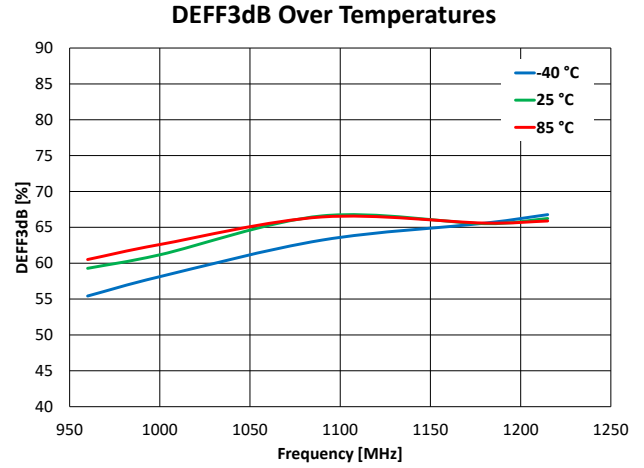
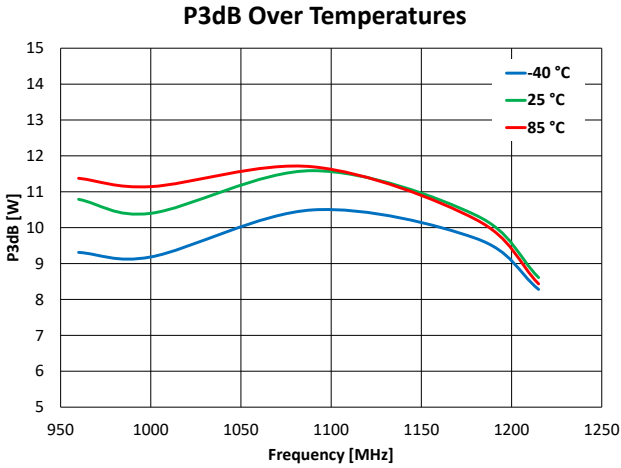
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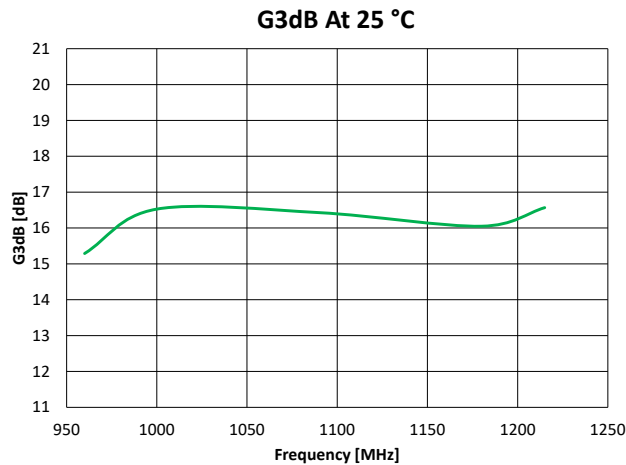
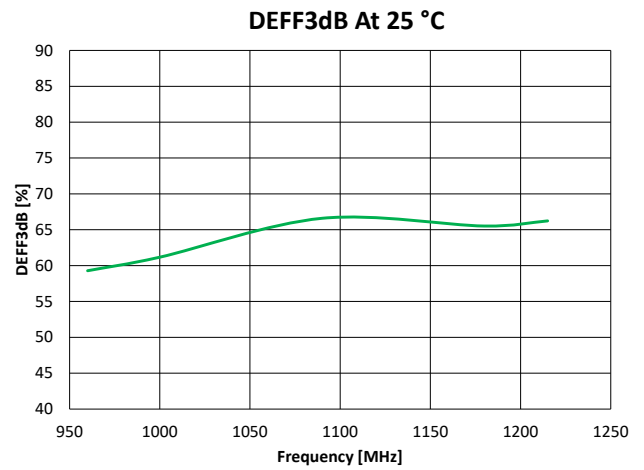
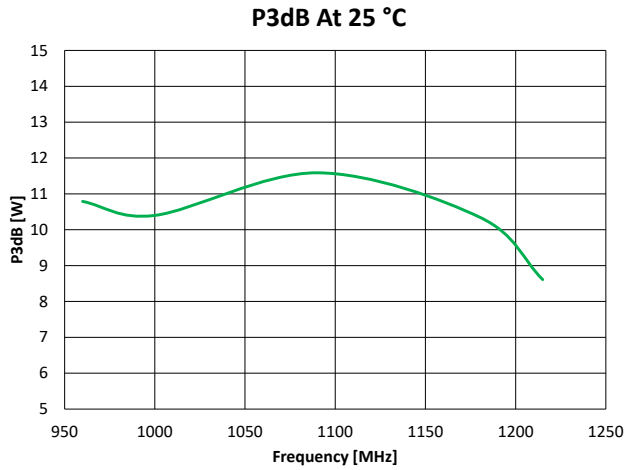
Power Driveup Performance Over Temperatures Of 0.96 – 1.2 GHz EVB¹

¹ Vd = 50 V, IDQ = 18 mA, Pulse Width = 128 uS, Duty Cycle = 10 %



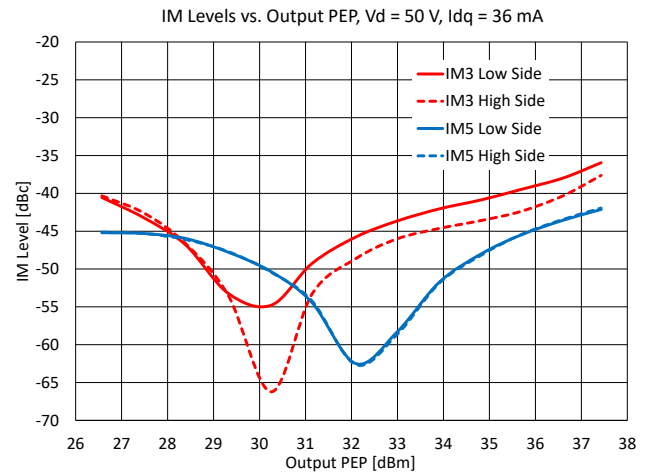
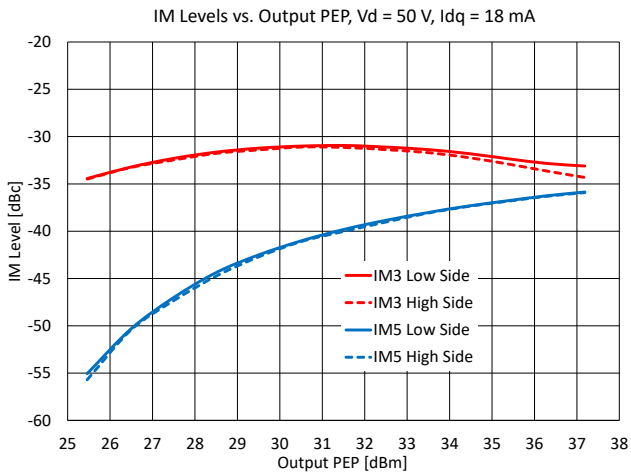
Power Driveup Performance At 25 °C Of 0.96 – 1.2 GHz EVB¹

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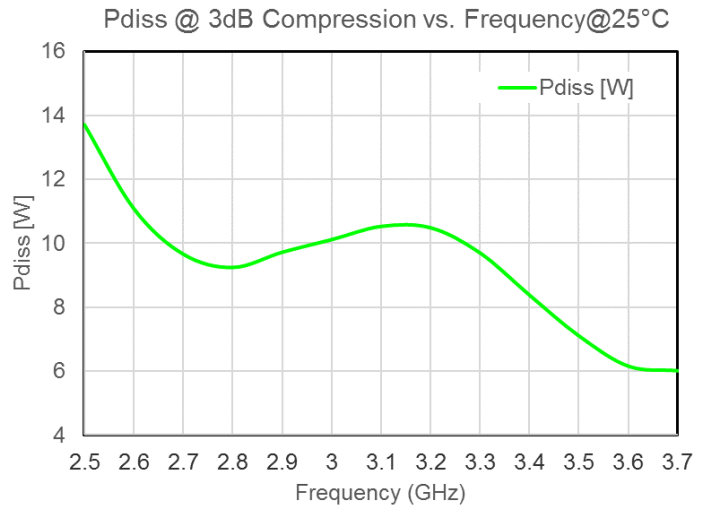
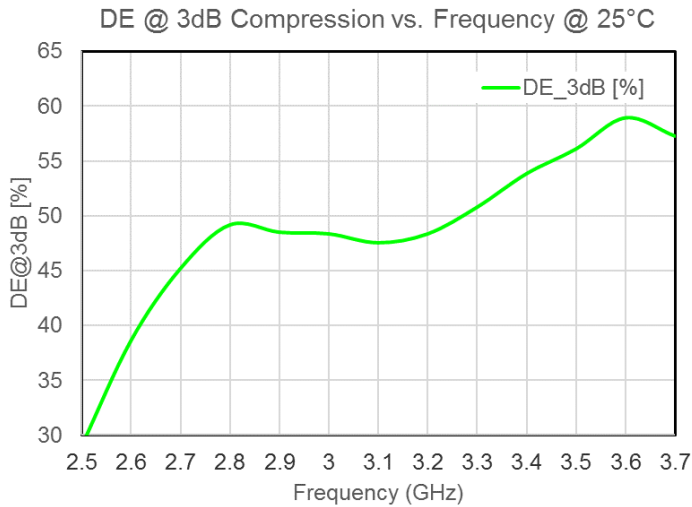
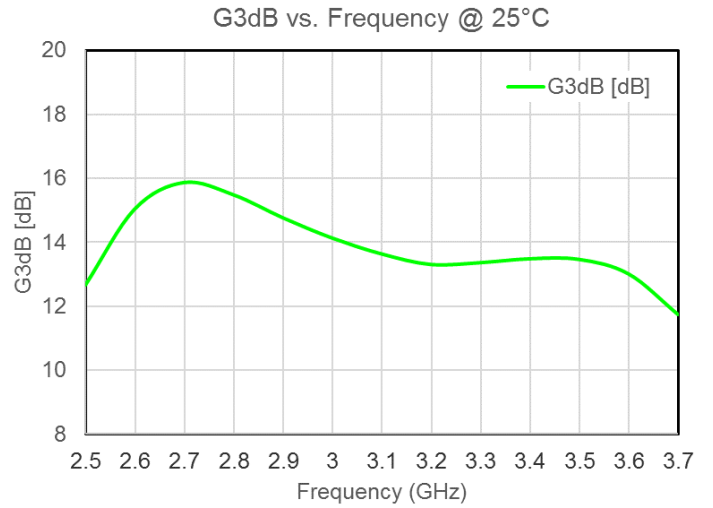
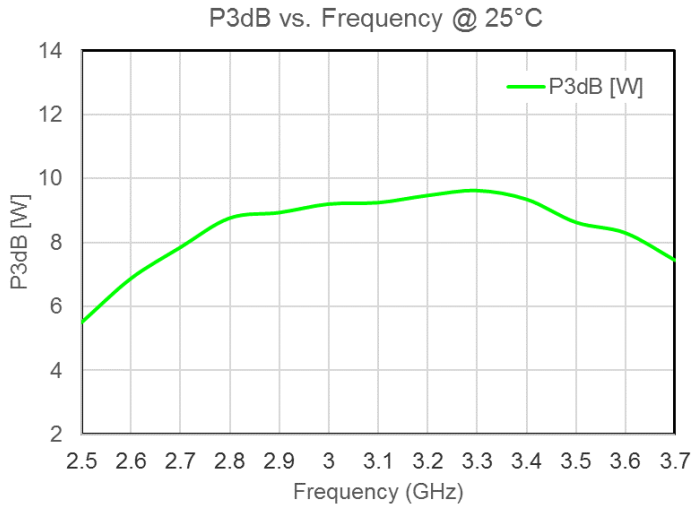
Two-Tone Performance At 25 °C Of 0.96 – 1.2 GHz EVB¹

¹ Center Frequency = 1.09 GHz, Tone Separation = 1 MHz

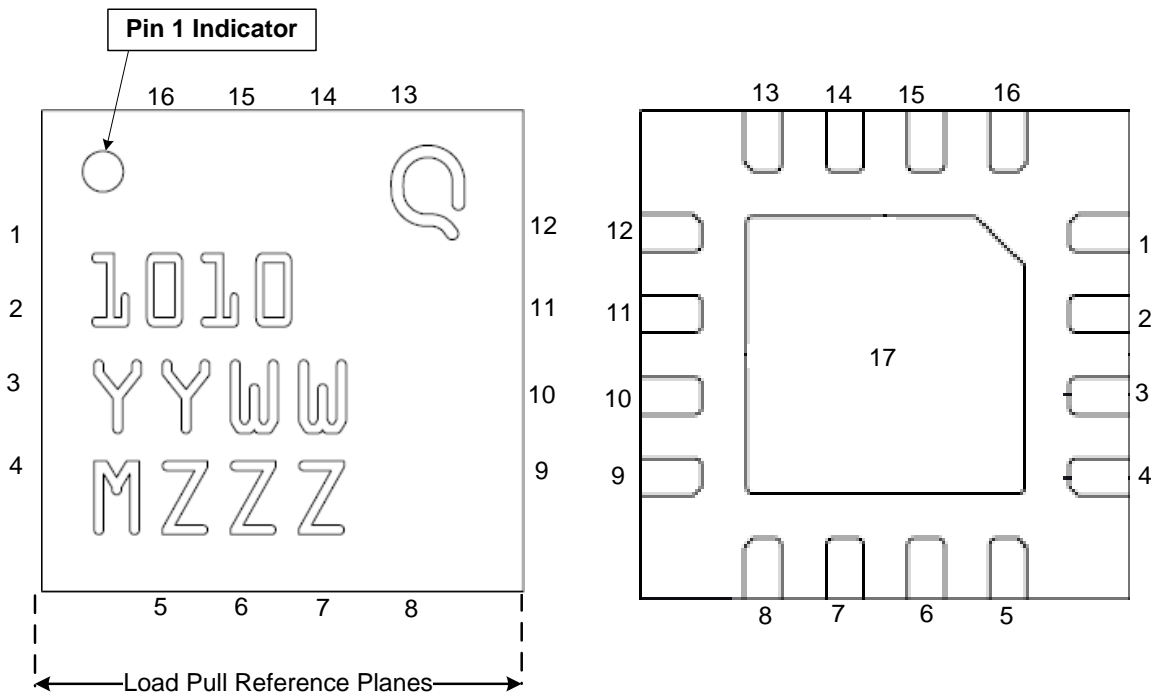


Power Driveup Performance At 25 °C Of 2.7 – 3.5 GHz EVB¹

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Pin Layout ¹



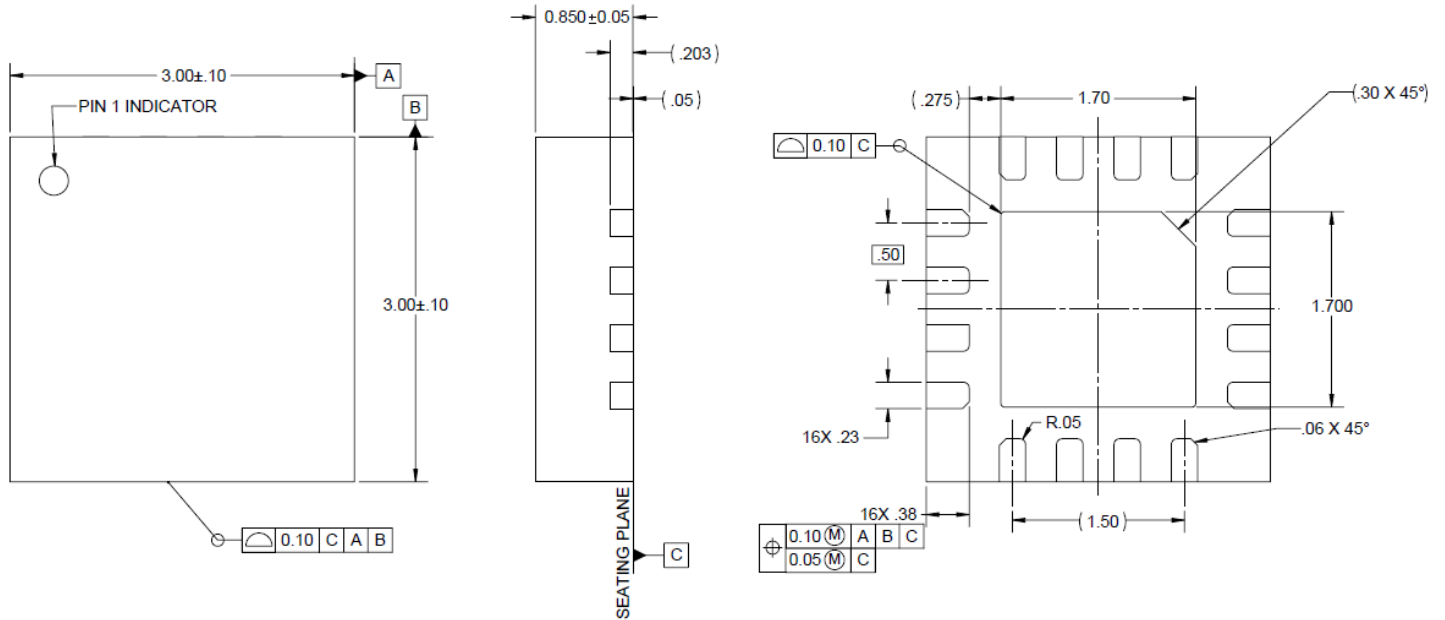
Notes:

- The QPD1010 will be marked with the “1010” 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 |
|-------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| 2, 3 | VG / RF IN | Gate voltage / RF Input |
| 10, 11 | VD / RF OUT | Drain voltage / RF Output |
| 1, 4, 5 – 9, 12 - 16 | NC | Not Connected |
| 17 | Back Plane | Source to be connected to ground |

Mechanical Drawing 1, 2, 3



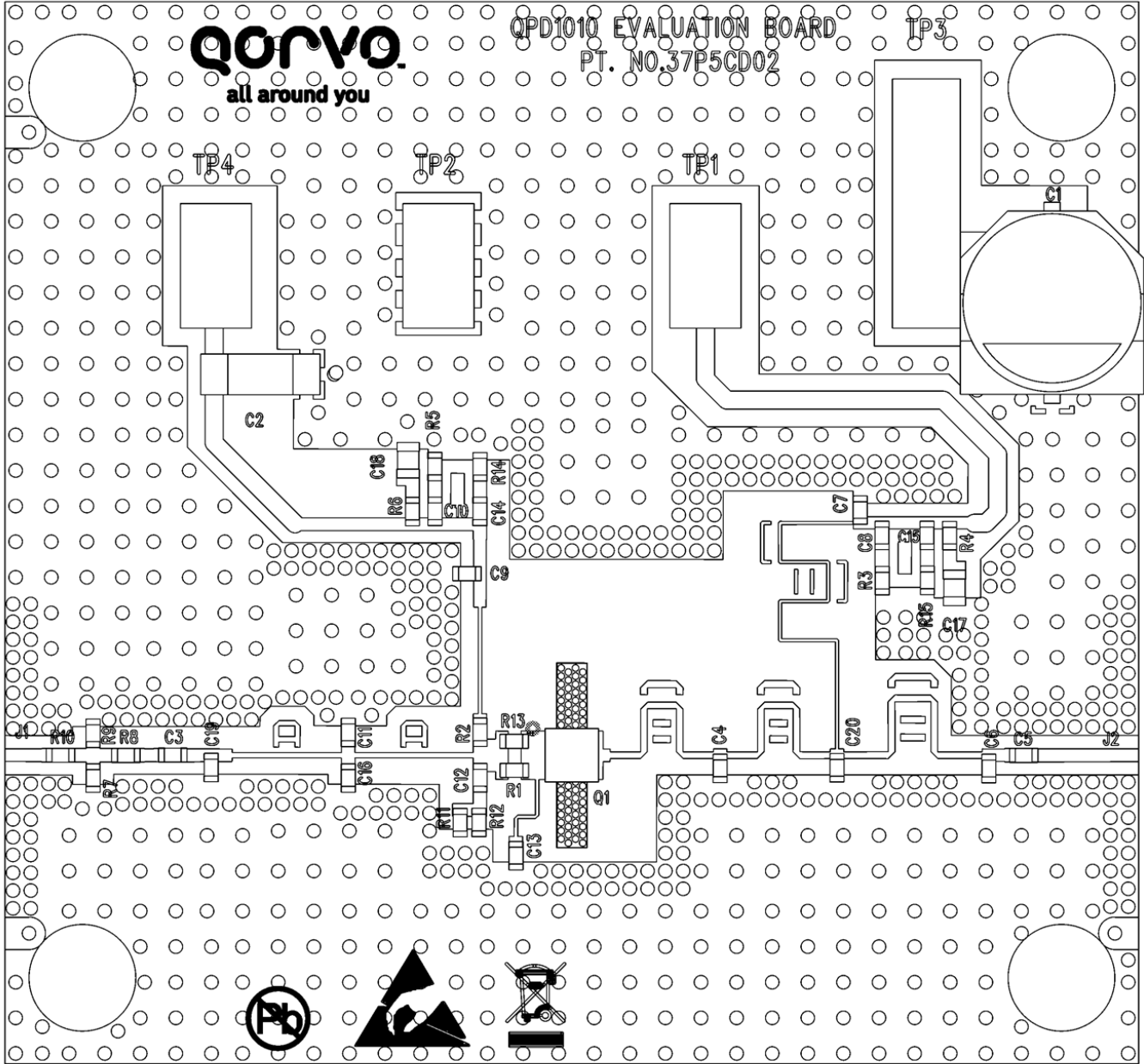
Notes:

1. All dimensions are in mm. Tolerance is ± 0.050 mm, otherwise noted.
2. Package leads are gold plated.
3. Part is mold encapsulated.

| Bias-up Procedure | Bias-down Procedure |
|---|---|
| 1. Set V_G to -4 V. | 1. Turn off RF signal. |
| 2. Set ID current limit to 30 mA. | 2. Turn off VD |
| 3. Apply 50 V VD. | 3. Wait 2 seconds to allow drain capacitor to discharge |
| 4. Slowly adjust VG until ID is set to 26 mA. | 4. Turn off VG |
| 5. Set ID current limit to 1 A | |
| 6. Apply RF. | |

PCB Layout – 0.96 – 1.215 GHz EVB

Board material is RO4360G2 0.020" thickness with 1 oz copper cladding.

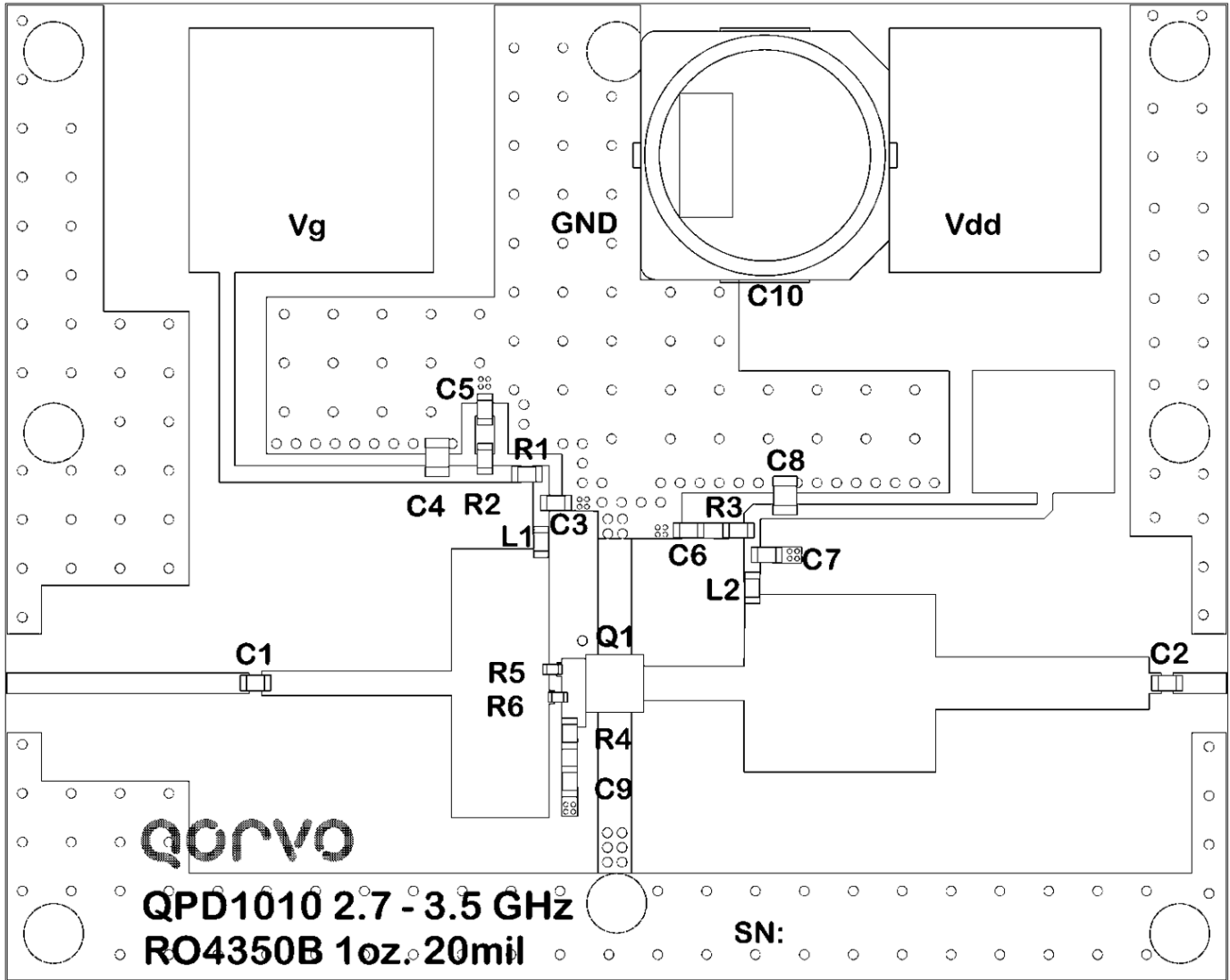


Bill Of material – 0.96 – 1.215 GHz EVB

| Ref Des | Value | Description | Manufacturer | Part Number |
|-----------------|---------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| C14, 15 | 82 pF | C0G 100V 5% 0603 Capacitor | AVX | 06031A820JAT2A |
| C8 - 10 | 1 nF | X7R 100V 5% 0603 Capacitor | AVX | 06031C102JAT2A |
| C17 - 18 | 100 nF | X7R 100V 5% 0805 Capacitor | AVX | 08051C104JAT2A |
| C4 | 0.5 pF | RF NPO 250VDC ± 0.05 pF Capacitor | ATC | ATC600S0R5AT250X |
| C13 | 1.0 pF | RF NPO 250VDC ± 0.05 pF Capacitor | ATC | ATC600S1R0AT250X |
| C6 | 3.3 pF | RF NPO 250VDC ± 0.05 pF Capacitor | ATC | ATC600S3R3AT250X |
| C16, 19 | 6.2 pF | RF NPO 250VDC ± 0.1 pF Capacitor | ATC | ATC600S6R2BT250X |
| C11, 20 | 6.8 pF | RF NPO 250VDC ± 0.1 pF Capacitor | ATC | ATC600S6R8BT250X |
| C3, 5, 7, 9, 12 | 56 pF | RF NPO 250VDC 1% Capacitor | ATC | ATC600S5650FT250X |
| C1 | 33 uF | 80V SVP Capacitor | Panasonic | EEEFK1K330P |
| C2 | 10 uF | 16V Tantalum Capacitor | AVX | TPSC106KR0500 |
| J1 - 2 | | SMA Panel Mount 4-hole Jack | Gigalane | PSF-S00-000 |
| R4, 6 | 1 Ohm | 0603 1% Thick Film Resistor | ANY | |
| R2, 8, 10 | 5.1 Ohm | 0603 1% Thick Film Resistor | ANY | |
| R1, 13, 14, 15 | 7.5 Ohm | 0603 1% Thick Film Resistor | ANY | |
| R3, 5 | 33 Ohm | 0603 1% Thick Film Resistor | ANY | |
| R11, 12 | 240 Ohm | 0603 1% Thick Film Resistor | ANY | |
| R7, 9 | 430 Ohm | 0603 1% Thick Film Resistor | ANY | |

PCB Layout – 2.7 – 3.5 GHz EVB

Board material is RO4350B, 0.020" thickness with 1oz copper cladding.



Bill Of material – 2.7 – 3.5 GHz EVB

| Ref Des | Value | Description | Manufacturer | Part Number |
|---------|----------|----------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| C3, C7 | 2.2 pF | CAP 2.2pF+/-0.1pF 250V 0603 | ATC | 600S2R2BT250T |
| C1 | 0.6 pF | CAP 0.6pF+/-0.05pF 250V 0603 | ATC | 600S0R6AT250XT |
| C2 | 1.2 pF | CAP 1.2pF+/-0.1pF 250V 0603 | ATC | 600S1R2BT250XT |
| C5, C6 | 100 pF | CAP 100pF 5% 250V 0603 | ATC | 600S101JT250XT |
| C10 | 100 uF | CAP 100uF 20% 100V ALUM 12.5mmSQ | BC Components | MAL215099907E3 |
| C4, C8 | 1.0 uF | CAP 1uF 20% 100V X7S 0805 | TDK | C2012X7S2A105M125AB |
| C9 | 1000 pF | CAP 1000pF 5% 50V NPO 0603 | Murata | GRM1885C1H102JA01D |
| R1 | 10 Ohm | RES 10Ohm 5% 0.1W 0603 | KOA Speer | RK73B1JT2D100J |
| R2, R3 | 51.1 Ohm | RES 51.1Ohm 5% 0.1W 0603 | Cal-Chip Electronics | RM06F51R1CT |
| R4 | 33 Ohm | RES 33Ohm 5% 0.1W 0603 | KOA Speer | RK73B1JT2D330J |
| R5, R6 | 5.1 Ohm | RES 5.1Ohm 1% 0.1W 0402 | Kamaya | RMC1/16SK5R10FTH |
| J1 - 2 | - | SMA Panel Mount 4-hole Jack | Gigalane | PSF-S00-000 |
| L1 | 5.1 nH | IND 5.1nH 5% W/W 0603 | Coilcraft | 0603CS-5N1XJBC |
| L2 | 8.2 nH | IND 8.2nH 5% W/W 0603 | Coilcraft | 0603HP-8N2XJLW |

Recommended Solder Temperature Profile

