Agilent HMMC-5033
17.7–32 GHz Amplifier

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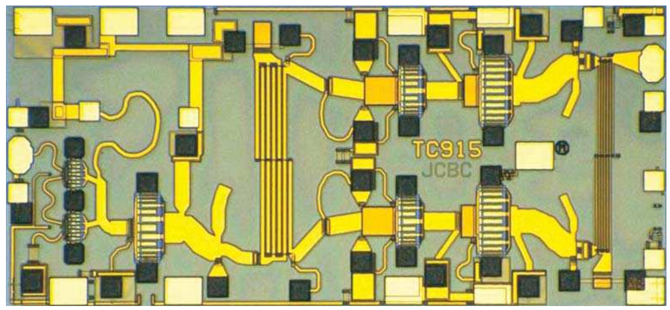
Data Sheet



Chip size: 2.74 x 1.31 mm (108 x 51.6 mils)
Chip size tolerance: ±10 μm (±0.4 mils)
Chip thickness: 127 ± 15 μm (5.0 ± 0.6 mils)
Pad dimensions: See page 6

Features

- 26 dBm output $P_{(-1\ dB)}$ at 28 GHz
- High gain: 18 dB
- 50 Ω input/output matching
- Small size
- RF detector network

Description

The HMMC-5033 is a MMIC power amplifier designed for use in wireless transmitters that operate within the 17.7 GHz to 32 GHz range. At 28 GHz it provides 26 dBm of output power ($P_{-1\ dB}$) and 18 dB of small-signal gain from a small easy-to-use device. The HMMC-5033 was designed to be driven by the HMMC-5040 (20-40 GHz) or the HMMC-5618 (5.9-20 GHz) MMIC amplifier for linear transmit applications. This device has input and output matching circuitry for use in 50 Ω environments.

Absolute maximum ratings[1]

Symbol	Parameters/conditions	Minimum	Maximum	Units
$V_{D1,2}$	Drain supply voltages		5.2	Volts
V_{G1}, V_{GG}	Gate supply voltages	–3.0	0.5	Volts
I_{D1}	First stage drain current		320	mA
I_{D2}	Second stage drain current		640	mA
P_{in}	RF input power		23	dBm
Det. bias	Applied detector bias (optional)		5.2	Volts
T_{ch}	Channel temperature[2]		170	°C
T_A	Backside ambient temperature	–55	+85	°C
T_{st}	Storage temperature	–65	+170	°C
T_{max}	Maximum assembly temperature		300	°C

1 Absolute maximum ratings for continuous operation unless otherwise noted.
2 Refer to *DC specifications/physical properties* table for derating information.

DC specifications/physical properties[1]

Symbol	Parameters/conditions	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units
V_{D1}	Drain supply operating voltages		3.5	5	Volts
V_{D2}	Drain supply operating voltages		5	5	Volts
I_{D1}	First stage drain supply current (V_{D1} = 3.5 V, V_{G1} = open, V_{GG} set for I_{D2} typical)		240	320	mA
I_{D2}	Second stage drain supply current (V_{D2} = 5 V, $V_{GG} \cong -0.8$ V)		460	640	mA
V_{G1}, V_{GG}	Gate supply operating voltages ($I_{D1} + I_{D2} \cong 700$ mA)		–0.8		Volts
V_P	Pinch-off voltage (V_{DD} = 2.5 V, $(I_{D1} + I_{D2}) \leq 20$ mA)	–2.5	–1.2	–0.8	Volts
Det. bias	Detector bias voltage (optional)		V_{D2}	5	Volts
θ1(ch–bs)	First stage thermal resistance[2] (channel-to-backside at T_{ch} = 160°C)		67		°C/Watt
θ2(ch–bs)	Second stage thermal resistance[2] (channel-to-backside at T_{ch} = 160°C)		37		°C/Watt
T_{ch}	Second stage channel temperature[3] (TA = 75°C, MTTF ≥ 10^6 hrs, V_{D2} = 5 V, I_{D2} = 460 mA)		160		°C

1 Backside ambient operating temperature T_A = 25°C unless otherwise noted.
2 Thermal resistance (°C/Watt) at a channel temperature T (°C) can be *estimated* using the equation: $\theta(T) \cong \theta_{ch-bs} \times [T(°C)+273] / [160°C+273]$.
3 Derate MTTF by a factor of two for every 8°C above T_{ch}.

RF specifications

(T_A = 25°C, Z_0 = 50 Ω, V_{D1} = 3.5 V, V_{D2} = 5 V, I_{D2} = 460 mA [$I_{D1} \cong 240$ mA])

		Lower band specifications			Mid band specifications			Upper band specifications			
Symbol	Parameters/conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Units
BW	Operating bandwidth	17.7		21	21		26.5	25		31.5	GHz
Gain	Small signal gain	17	22		17	20		15	18		dB
$P_{-1\,dB}$	Output power at 1 dB gain compression	22	23		24	25		25	26		dBm
P_{SAT}	Saturated output power[1]		25			27			28		dBm
$(RL_{in})_{MIN}$	Minimum input return loss	8	10		9	12		10	12		dB
$(RL_{out})_{MIN}$	Minimum output return loss	15	20		15	20		15	20		dB
Isolation	Minimum reverse isolation		50			50			50		dB

1 Devices operating continuously beyond 1 dB gain compression may experience power degradation.

Applications
The HMMC-5033 MMIC is a broadband power amplifier designed for use in transmitters that operate in various frequency bands between 17.7 GHz and 32 GHz. It can be attached to the output of the HMMC-5040 (20-40 GHz) or the HMMC-5618 (5.9-20 GHz) MMIC amplifier, increasing the power handling capability of transmitters requiring linear operation.

Biasing and operation
The recommended DC bias condition for optimum efficiency, performance, and reliability is V_{D1} = 3.5 volts and V_{D2} = 5 volts with V_{GG} set for $I_{D1} + I_{D2}$ = 700 mA (no connection to V_{G1}). This bias arrangement results in default drain currents I_{D1} = 240 mA and I_{D2} = 460 mA.

A single DC gate supply connected to V_{GG} will bias all gain stages.

If operation with both V_{D1} and V_{D2} at 5 volts is desired, an additional wire bond connection from the V_{G1} pad to the V_{GG} external bypass chip-capacitor (shorting V_{G1} to V_{GG}) will balance the currents in each gain stage. V_{GG} (= V_{G1}) can be adjusted for $I_{D1} + I_{D2}$ = 700 mA.

Muting can be accomplished by setting V_{G1} and/or V_{GG} to the pinchoff voltage V_P.

An on chip RF output power detector network is provided. The differential voltage between the det-ref and det-out pads can be correlated with the RF power emerging from the RF output port. Bias the diodes at ~200 mA.

The RF ports are AC-coupled at the RF input to the first stage and the RF output of the second stage.

If the output detector is biased using the on-chip optional det-bias network, an external AC-blocking capacitor may be required at the RF output port.

No ground wires are needed since ground connections are made with plated through-holes to the backside of the device.

Assembly techniques
It is recommended that the electrical connections to the bonding pads be made using 0.7-1.0 mil diameter gold wire. The microwave/millimeter-wave connections should be kept as short as possible to minimize inductance. For assemblies requiring long bond wires, multiple wires can be attached to the RF bonding pads.

GaAs MMICs are ESD sensitive. ESD preventive measures must be employed in all aspects of storage, handling, and assembly.

MMIC ESD precautions, handling considerations, die attach and bonding methods are critical factors in successful GaAs MMIC performance and reliability.

Agilent application note #54, "GaAs MMIC ESD, Die Attach and Bonding Guidelines" provides basic information on these subjects.

Additional references
AN# 52, "1 Watt 17.7 GHz-32 GHz Linear Power Amplifier"

PN# 6, "HMMC-5033 Intermodulation Distortion"

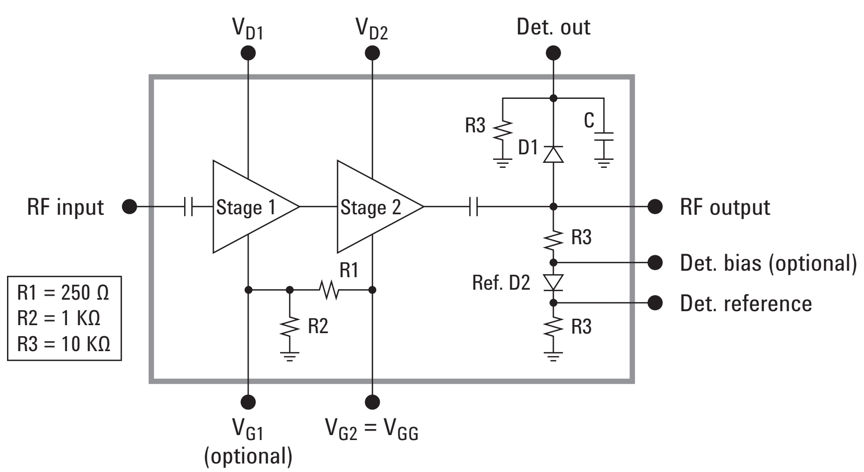


Figure 1. Simplified schematic diagram

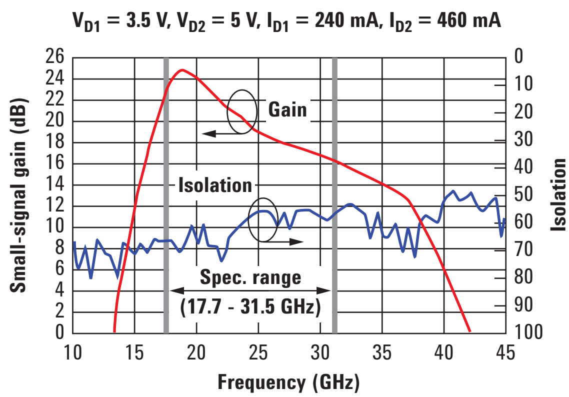


Figure 2. Gain and isolation vs. frequency

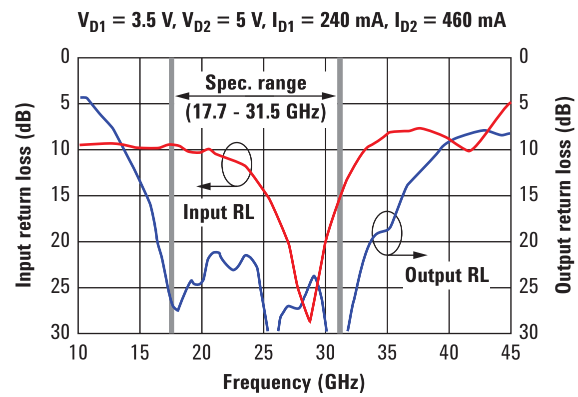


Figure 3. Input and output return loss vs. frequency

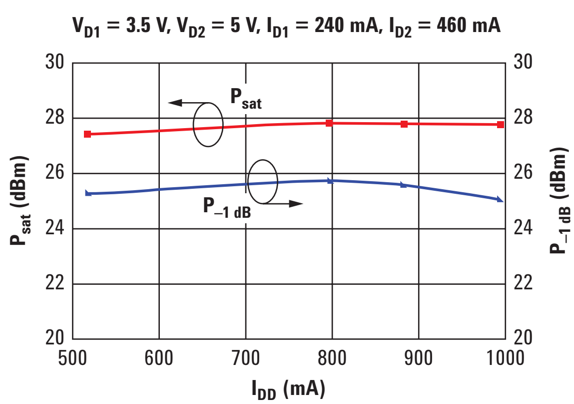
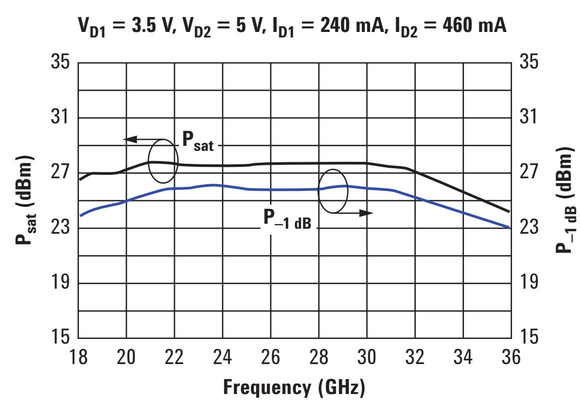


Figure 4. Output power vs. total drain current



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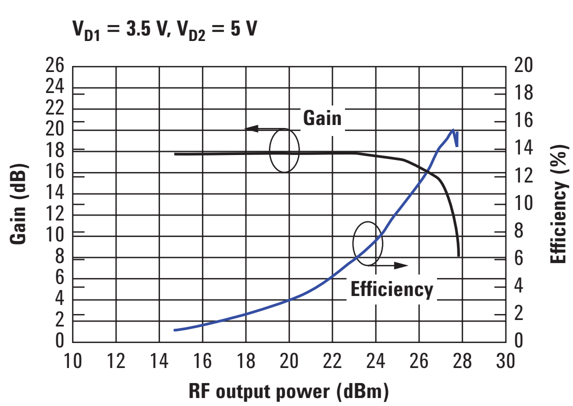

Figure 6. Gain compression and efficiency at 28 GHz

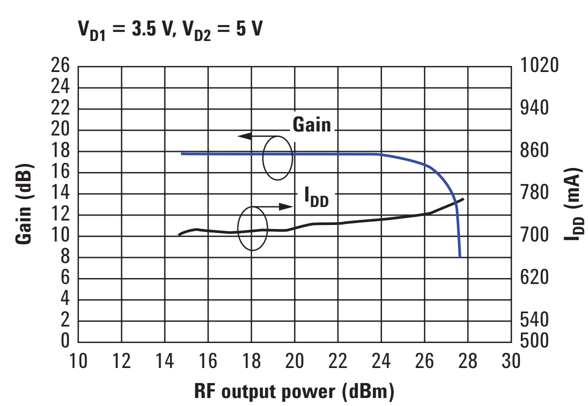

Figure 7. Gain and total drain currentvs. output power

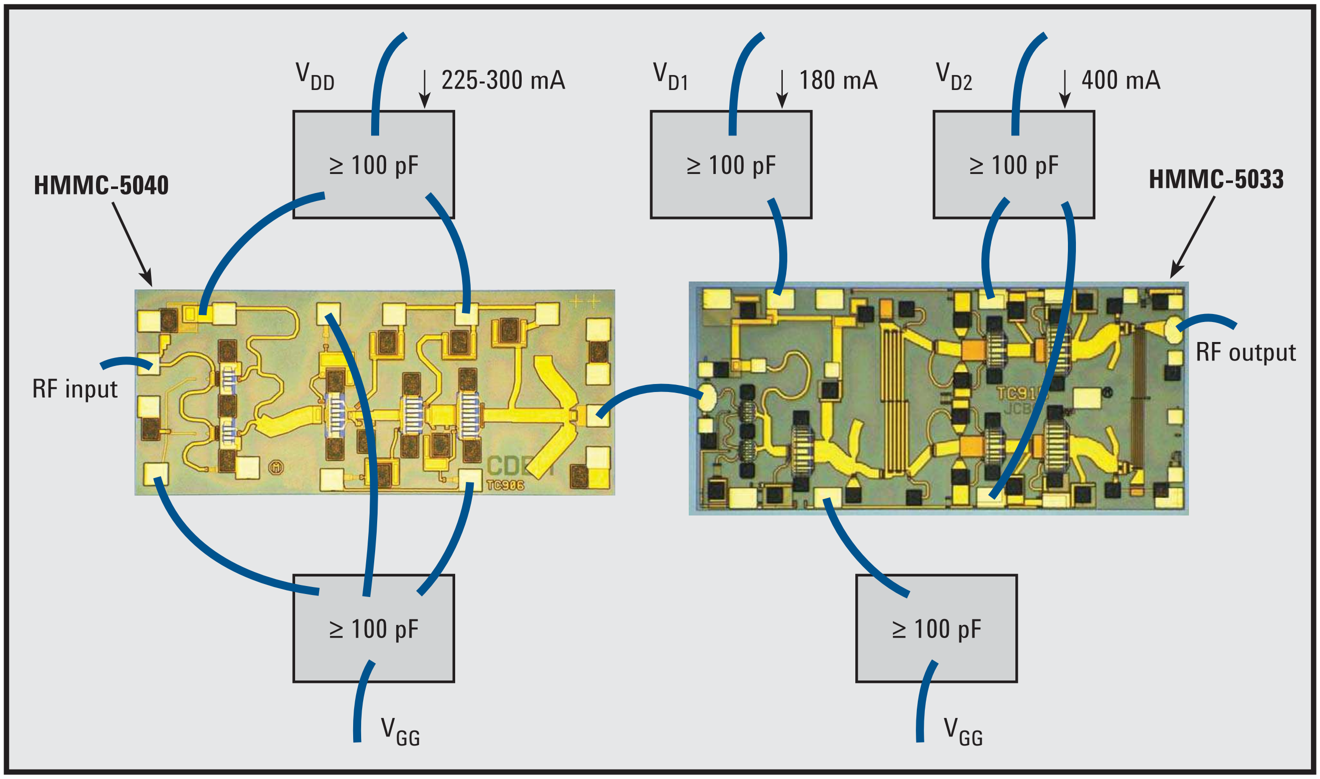

Figure 8. Assembly diagram illustrating the HMMC-5033 cascaded with the HMMC-5040 for 20-32 GHz applications

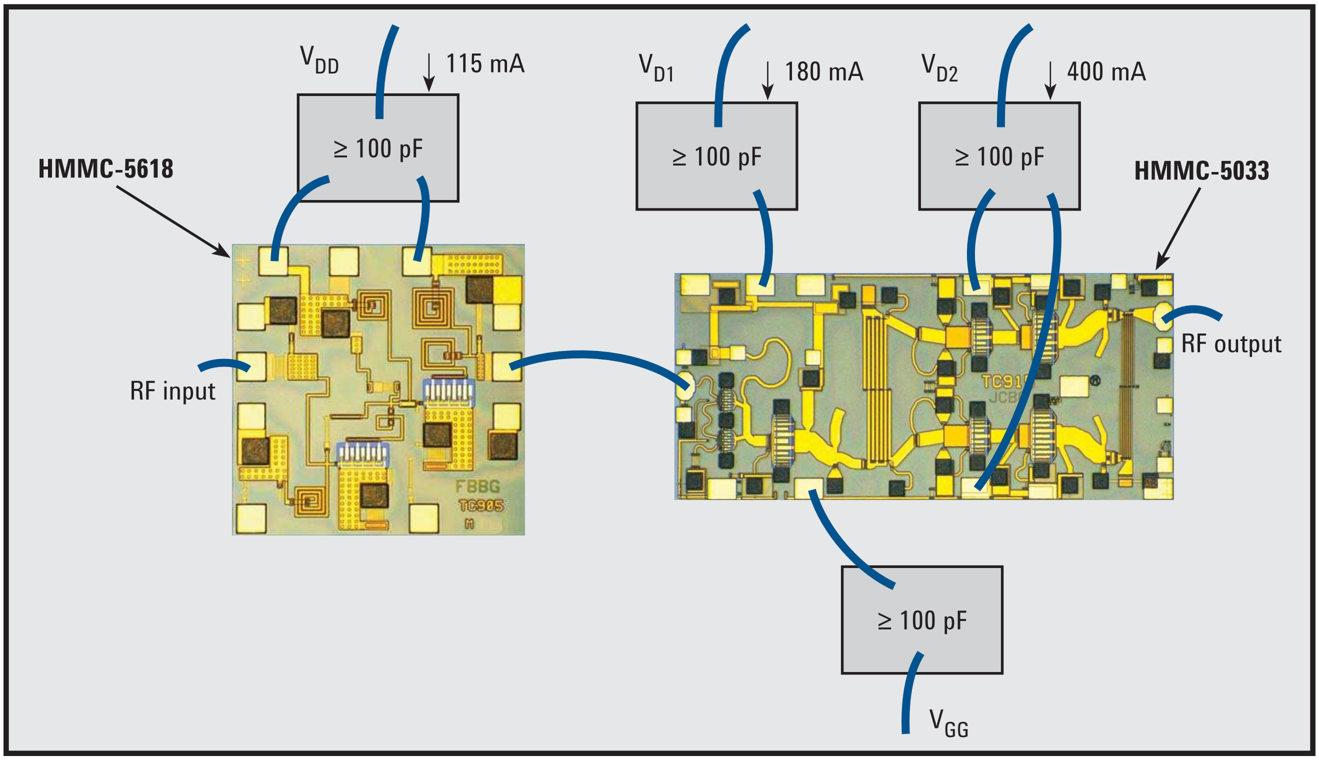

Figure 9. Assembly diagram illustrating the HMMC-5033 cascaded with the HMMC-5618 for 17.7-20 GHz applications

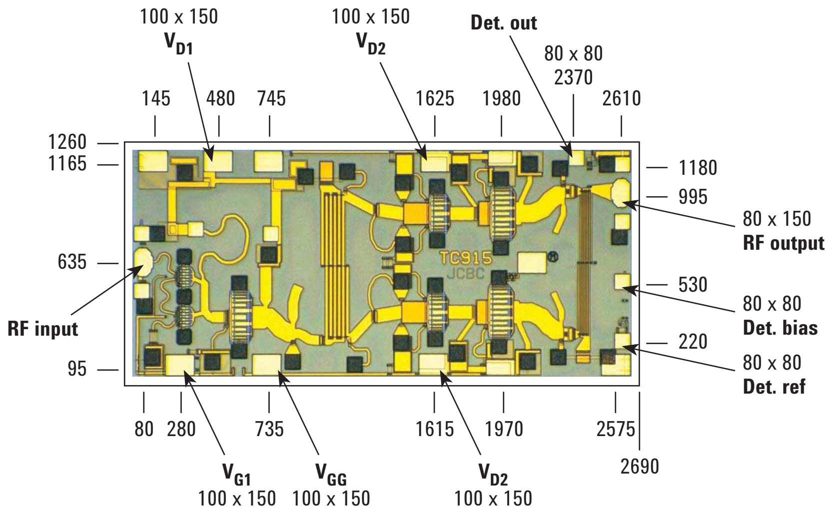

Figure 10. Bonding pad locations

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