

Gallium Nitride 28V, 18W RF Power Transistor

Built using the SIGANTIC® NRF1 process - A proprietary GaN-on-Silicon technology

FEATURES

- Optimized for CW, Pulsed, WiMAX, and other applications from 3300 - 3800 MHz
- 18W P3dB CW Power
- 25W P3dB peak envelope power
- 1.7W linear power @ 2% EVM for single carrier OFDM, 10.3dB peak/average, 10.3dB @ 0.01% probability on CCDF, 10.5dB gain, 18% drain efficiency
- Characterized for operation up to 32V
- 100% RF tested
- Thermally enhanced industry standard package
- High reliability gold metallization process
- Lead-free and RoHS compliant
- Subject to EAR99 export control



3300 – 3800 MHz
18 Watt, 28 Volt
GaN HEMT



Typical 2-Tone Performance: $V_{DS} = 28V$, $I_{DQ} = 200mA$, Frequency = 3500MHz, Tone spacing = 1MHz, $T_C = 25^\circ C$.
Measured in Nitronex Test Fixture

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Units
$P_{3dB,PEP}$	Peak Envelope Power at 3dB Compression	14	18	-	W
$P_{1dB,PEP}$	Peak Envelope Power at 1dB Compression	-	10	-	W
G_{SS}	Small Signal Gain	10	11	-	dB
η	Peak Drain Efficiency at $P_{OUT} = P_{3dB}$	43	48	-	%

RF Specifications (CW): $V_{DS} = 28V$, $I_{DQ} = 200mA$, Frequency = 3500MHz, $T_C = 25^\circ C$, Measured in Load Pull System

Symbol	Parameter	Typ	Units
P_{3dB}	Average Output Power at 3dB Gain Compression	18	W
$P_{3dB,Pulsed}$	Pulsed Output Power at 3dB Gain Compression	20	W
$P_{1dB,Pulsed}$	Pulsed Output Power at 1dB Gain Compression	15	W

Typical OFDM Performance: $V_{DS} = 28V$, $I_{DQ} = 200mA$, $P_{OUT,AVG} = 1.7W$, single carrier OFDM waveform 64-QAM 3/4, 8 burst, 20ms frame, 15ms frame data, 3.5MHz channel bandwidth. Peak/Avg = 10.3dB @ 0.01% probability on CCDF. Frequency = 3300 to 3800MHz. $T_C = 25^\circ C$. Measured in Load Pull System (Refer to Table 1 and Figure 1)

Symbol	Parameter	Typ	Units
G_P	Power Gain	10.5	dB
η	Drain Efficiency	18	%
EVM	Error Vector Magnitude	2.0	%
IRL	Input Return Loss	10	dB

DC Specifications: $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Off Characteristics					
V_{BDS}	Drain-Source Breakdown Voltage ($V_{GS} = -8\text{V}$, $I_D = 8\text{mA}$)	100	-	-	V
I_{DLK}	Drain-Source Leakage Current ($V_{GS} = -8\text{V}$, $V_{DS} = 60\text{V}$)	-	-	4	mA
On Characteristics					
V_T	Gate Threshold Voltage ($V_{DS} = 28\text{V}$, $I_D = 8\text{mA}$)	-2.3	-1.8	-1.3	V
V_{GSQ}	Gate Quiescent Voltage ($V_{DS} = 28\text{V}$, $I_D = 200\text{mA}$)	-2.0	-1.5	-1.0	V
R_{ON}	On Resistance ($V_{GS} = 2\text{V}$, $I_D = 60\text{mA}$)	-	0.45	0.50	Ω
I_D	Drain Current ($V_{DS} = 7\text{V}$ pulsed, $300\mu\text{s}$ pulse width, 0.2% duty cycle, $V_{GS} = 2\text{V}$)	-	5.0	-	A

Absolute Maximum Ratings: Not simultaneous, $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$ unless otherwise noted

Symbol	Parameter	Max	Units
V_{DS}	Drain-Source Voltage	100	V
V_{GS}	Gate-Source Voltage	-10 to 3	V
P_T	Total Device Power Dissipation (Derated above 25°C)	28	W
θ_{JC}	Thermal Resistance (Junction-to-Case)	6.25	$^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$
T_{STG}	Storage Temperature Range	-65 to 150	$^\circ\text{C}$
T_J	Operating Junction Temperature	200	$^\circ\text{C}$
HBM	Human Body Model ESD Rating (per JESD22-A114)	1A (>250V)	
MM	Machine Model ESD Rating (per JESD22-A115)	M1 (>50V)	

Table 1: Optimum Source and Load Impedances for OFDM Linearity, $V_{DS} = 28V$, $I_{DQ} = 200mA$

Frequency (MHz)	$Z_S (\Omega)$	$Z_L (\Omega)$	$P_{OUT} (W)$	Gain (dB)	Drain Efficiency (%)
3300 ¹	5.4 - j10.3	2.9 - j2.5	1.7	10.9	19
3400 ¹	5.0 - j10.7	2.9 - j2.6	1.8	11.0	22
3500 ¹	4.4 - j11.2	2.8 - j2.7	1.7	10.9	21
3600 ¹	4.0 - j12.5	2.8 - j3.3	1.7	10.9	20
3700 ¹	3.5 - j13.4	3.0 - j3.8	1.8	10.8	20
3800 ¹	3.5 - j14.6	3.2 - j4.2	1.8	10.7	20

Note 1: Single carrier OFDM waveform 64-QAM 3/4, 8 burst, 20ms frame, 15ms frame data, 3.5 MHz channel bandwidth.
Peak/Avg = 10.3dB @ 0.01% probability on CCDF, 2% EVM.

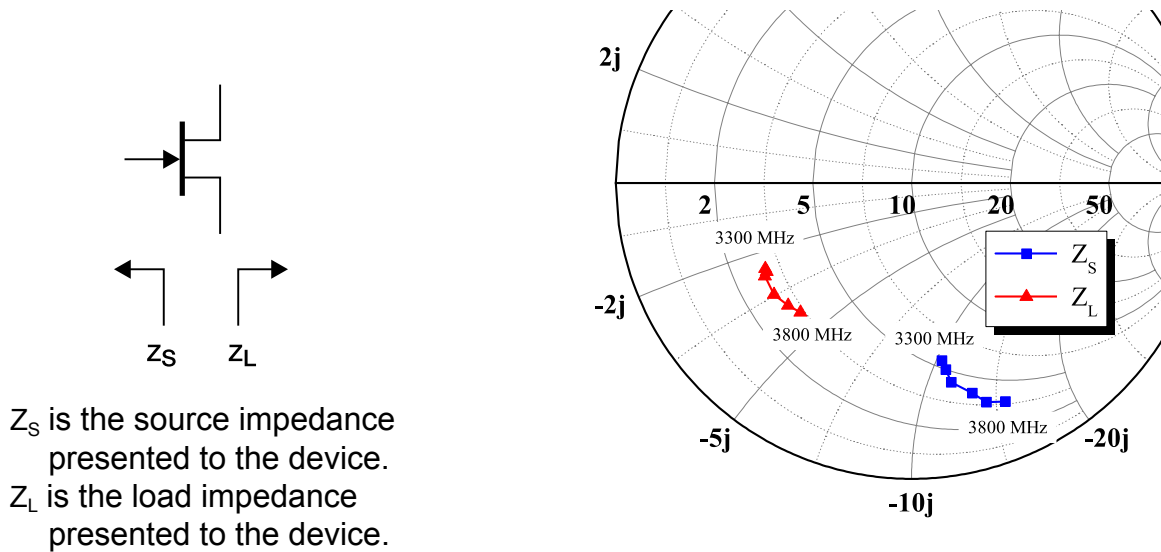


Figure 1 - Optimal Impedances for OFDM Linearity, $V_{DS} = 28V$, $I_{DQ} = 200mA$

Load-Pull Data, Reference Plane at Device Leads

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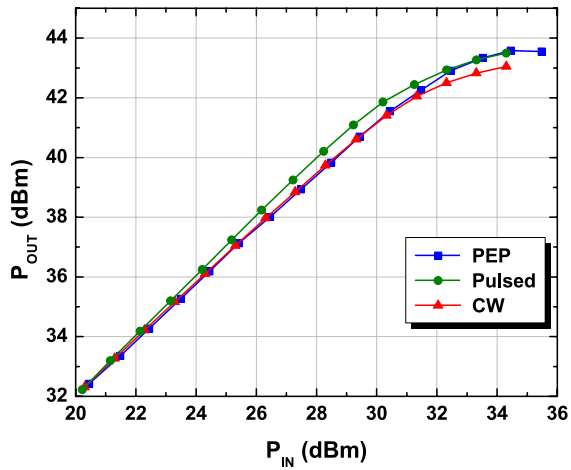


Figure 2 - CW, pulsed CW, and PEP, 3500MHz, Constant Impedance States

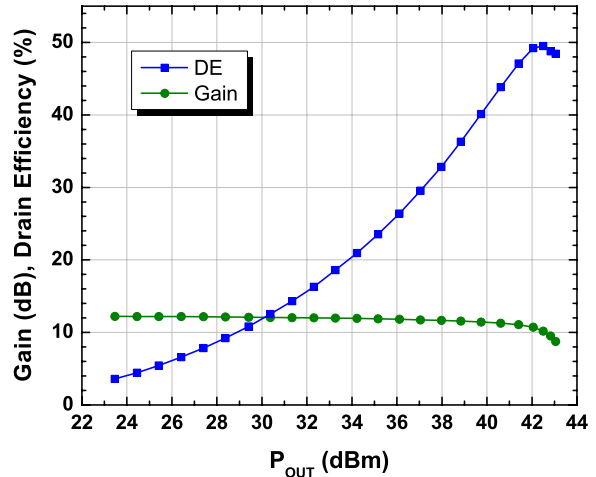


Figure 3 - CW Power Sweep, 3500MHz

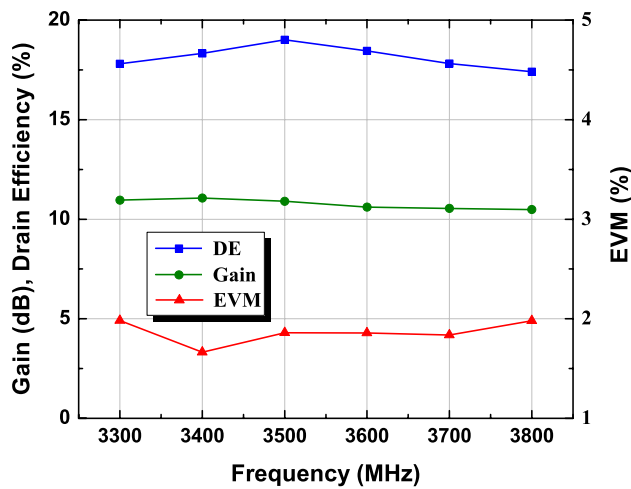


Figure 4 - Typical OFDM Performance $P_{OUT} = 1.5W$

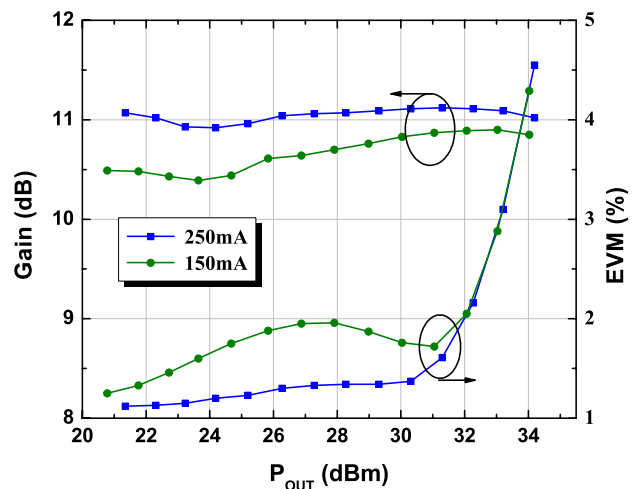


Figure 5 - Typical OFDM Performance at 3500MHz versus I_{DQ}

Load-Pull Data, Reference Plane at Device Leads

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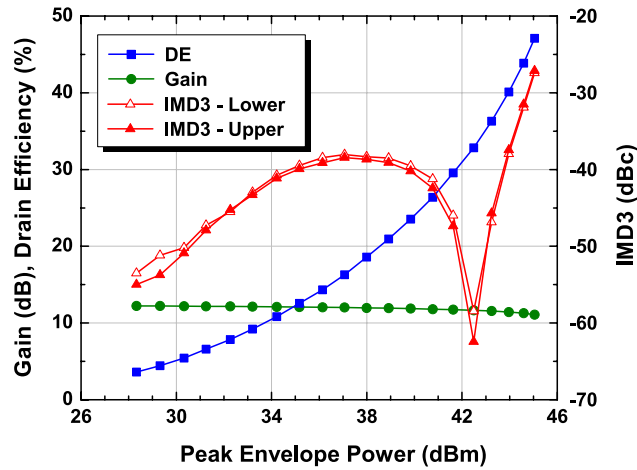


Figure 6 - Typical IMD3 Performance, 3500MHz

Typical Device Characteristics

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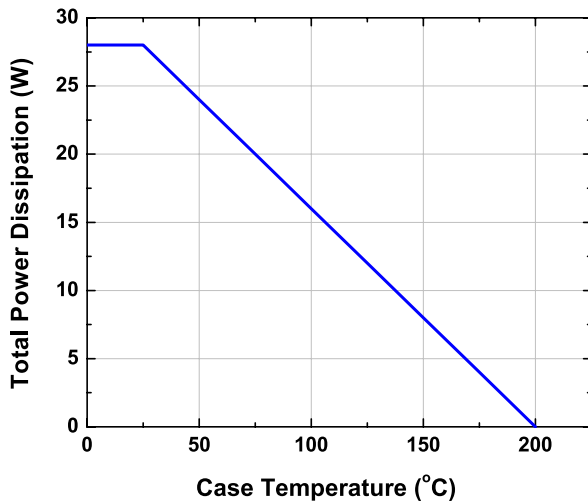


Figure 7 - Power Derating Curve

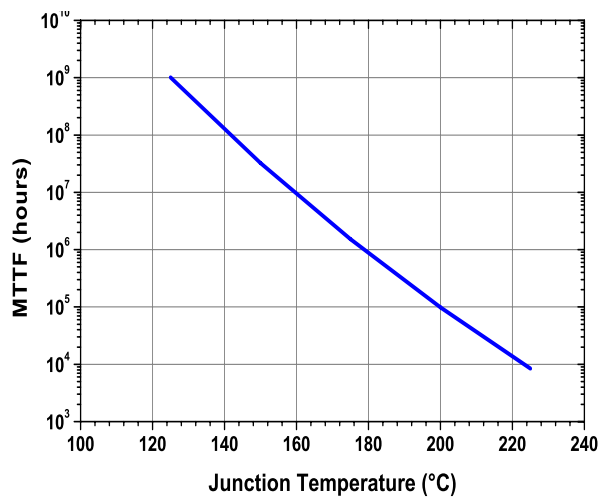


Figure 8 - MTTF of NRF1 Devices

AD-006 3400-3600MHz 1.7W Linear WiMAX Application Design

802.16e Single Carrier OFDM, 64-QAM 3/4, 8-burst, 20ms frame 100% filled, 3.5MHz channel bandwidth, PAR=10.3dB @ 0.01% CCDF
 Detailed design information and data available at www.nitronex.com

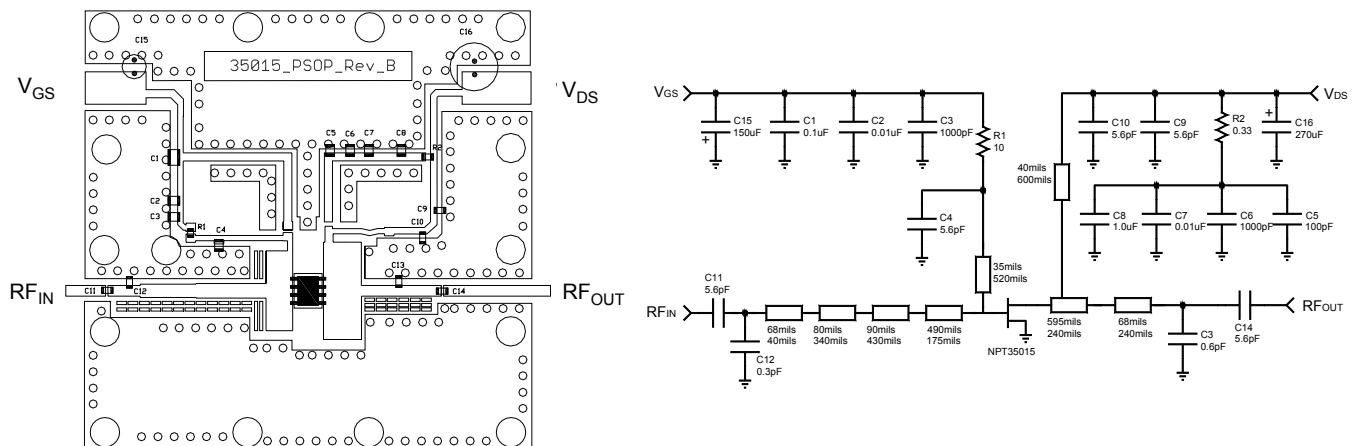


Figure 9 - AD-006 Demonstration Board and Schematic

Table 2: AD-006 Demonstration Board Bill of Materials

Name	Value	Tolerance	Vendor	Vendor Number
C1	0.1uF	10%	Kemet	C1206C104K1RACTU
C2, C7	0.01uF	10%	AVX	12061C103KAT2A
C3, C6	1000pF	10%	Kemet	C0805C102K1RACTU
C5	100pF	10%	Kemet	C0805C101K1RACTU
C8	1.0uF	10%	Panasonic	ECJ-5YB2A105M
C4, C9, C10, C11, C14	5.6pF	+/- 0.1pF	ATC	ATC600F5R6B
C12	0.3pF	+/- 0.1pF	ATC	ATC600F0R3B
C13	0.6pF	+/- 0.1pF	ATC	ATC600F0R6B
C15	150uF	20%	Nichicon	UPW1C151MED
C16	270uF	20%	United Chemi-Con	ELXY630ELL271MK25S
R1	10 ohm	1%	Panasonic	ERJ-2RKF10R0X
R2	0.33 ohm	1%	Panasonic	ERJ-6RQFR33V
PA1	--	--	--	NPT35015D
Substrate			Rogers	R04350, t = 30mil $\epsilon_r = 3.5$

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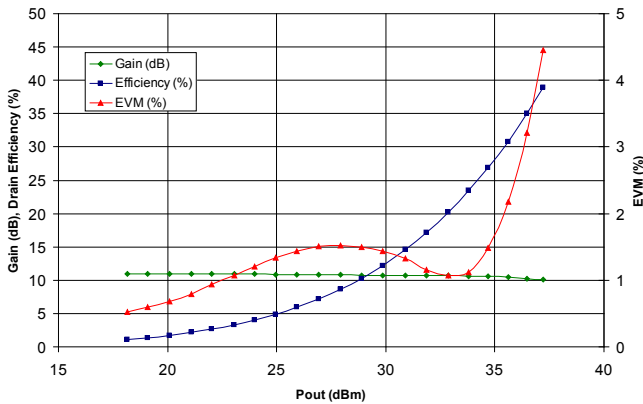


Figure 10 - Gain, Efficiency, EVM at 3400MHz

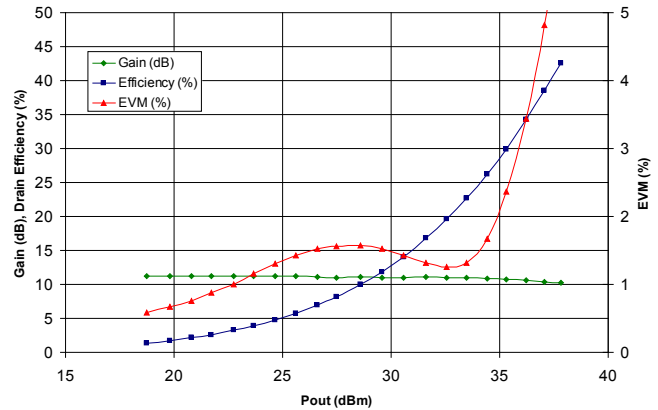


Figure 11 - Gain, Efficiency, EVM at 3500MHz

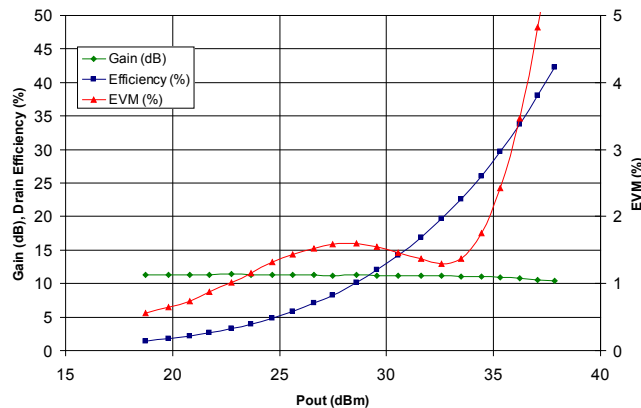


Figure 12 - Gain, Efficiency, EVM at 3600MHz

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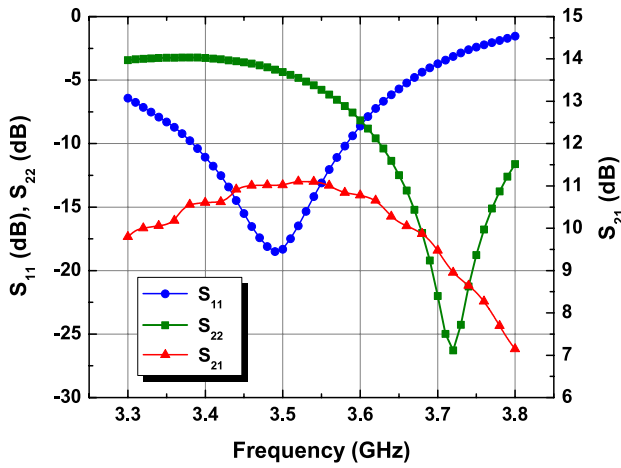


Figure 14 - Typical S_{11} and S_{21}

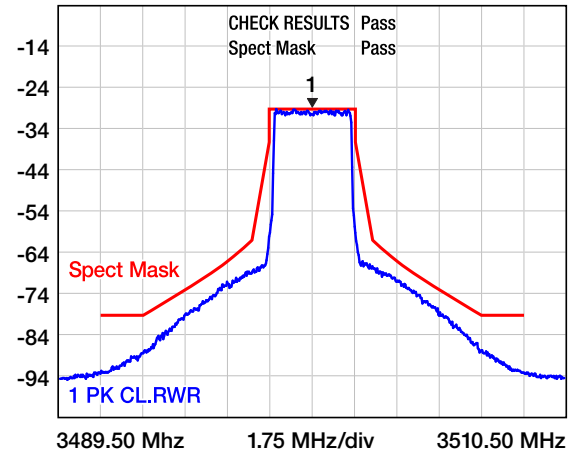


Figure 13 - ETSI Mask Compliance in Nitronex Demonstration Board at 3500MHz and $P_{OUT} = 1.5W$

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This part is lead-free and is compliant with the RoHS directive (Restrictions on the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment).

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