

GaN on SiC HEMT Pulsed Power Transistor 125W Peak, 1200-1400 MHz, 300µs Pulse, 10% Duty

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Features

- GaN on SiC Depletion-Mode Transistor Technology
- · Internally Matched
- Common-Source Configuration
- Broadband Class AB Operation
- RoHS* Compliant and 260 °C Reflow Compatible
- +50 V Typical Operation
- MTTF = 600 years (T_J < 200 °C)

Applications

· L-Band pulsed radar



The MAGX-001214-125L00 is a gold metalized matched Gallium Nitride (GaN) on Silicon Carbide RF power transistor optimized for pulsed L-Band radar applications. Using state of the art wafer fabrication processes, these high performance transistors provide high gain, efficiency, bandwidth, ruggedness over a wide bandwidth for today's demanding application needs. High breakdown voltages allow for reliable and stable operation in extreme mismatched load conditions unparalleled with older semiconductor technologies.



Ordering Information

| Part Number | Description |
|--------------------|------------------------------|
| MAGX-001214-125L00 | 125W GaN Power Transistor |
| MAGX-001214-SB0PPR | Evaluation Test Fixture |

Typical RF Performance under Standard Operating Conditions, $P_{OUT} = 125 \text{ W}$ (Peak)

| Freq (MHz) | P _{IN} (W) | Gain (dB) | I _D (A) | Eff. (%) | RL (dB) | Droop (dB) | VSWR-S (5:1) | VSWR-T (10:1) |
|---------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 1200 | 1.8 | 18.3 | 4.0 | 62.5 | -9.0 | 0.4 | S | Р |
| 1250 | 1.9 | 18.1 | 4.2 | 59.0 | -11.6 | 0.6 | S | Р |
| 1300 | 2.0 | 18.0 | 4.4 | 56.5 | -16.0 | 0.6 | S | Р |
| 1350 | 1.9 | 18.1 | 4.3 | 57.7 | -19.0 | 0.5 | S | Р |
| 1400 | 1.8 | 18.4 | 3.9 | 62.9 | -14.5 | 0.3 | S | Р |

^{*} Restrictions on Hazardous Substances, European Union Directive 2002/95/EC.



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Electrical Specifications: Freq. = 1200 - 1400 MHz, $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$

| Parameter | Test Conditions | Symbol | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Units |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------|------|------|-------|
| RF Functional Tests | | | | | | |
| Peak Input Power | - | P _{IN} | - | 1.9 | 2.4 | W |
| Power Gain | | G _P | 17.2 | 18.1 | - | dB |
| Drain Efficiency | | η_{D} | 54 | 59.8 | - | % |
| Load Mismatch Stability | | VSWR-S | 5:1 | - | - | - |
| Load Mismatch Tolerance | | VSWR-T | 10:1 | - | - | - |

Electrical Characteristics: $T_A = 25$ °C

| Parameter | Test Conditions | Symbol | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Units |
|------------------------------|---|----------------------|------|------|------|-------|
| DC Characteristics | | | | | | |
| Drain-Source Leakage Current | V _{GS} = -8 V, V _{DS} = 175 V | I _{DS} | - | 0.2 | 6 | mA |
| Gate Threshold Voltage | $V_{DS} = 5 \text{ V}, I_{D} = 15 \text{ mA}$ | V _{GS (TH)} | -5 | -3.8 | -2 | V |
| Forward Transconductance | $V_{DS} = 5 \text{ V}, I_{D} = 3.5 \text{ mA}$ | G _M | 2.5 | 3.6 | - | S |
| Dynamic Characteristics | | | | | | |
| Input Capacitance | Not applicable - Input matched | C _{ISS} | N/A | N/A | N/A | pF |
| Output Capacitance | V _{DS} = 50 V, V _{GS} = -8 V, | Coss | - | 11 | - | pF |
| Reverse Transfer Capacitance | Freq. = 1 MHz | C _{RSS} | - | 1.1 | - | pF |



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Absolute Maximum Ratings^{1,2,3}

| Parameter | Limit |
|---|----------------------------------|
| Drain Voltage (V _{DD}) | +65 V |
| Gate Voltage (V _{GG}) | -8 to -2 V |
| Drain Current (I _{DD}) | 6.0 A |
| Input Power ⁴ (P _{IN}) | P _{IN} (nominal) + 3 dB |
| Operating Junction Temperature ⁵ | 250 °C |
| Peak Pulsed Power Dissipation at 85 °C | 175 W |
| Operating Temperature Range | -40 to +95 °C |
| Storage Temperature Range | -65 to +150 °C |
| ESD Maximum - Machine Model (MM) | 50 V |
| ESD Maximum - Human Body Model (HBM) | 250 V |

^{1.} Exceeding any one or combination of these limits may cause permanent damage to this device.

Thermal Characteristics

| Parameter | Test Conditions | Symbol | Typical | Units |
|--------------------|---|-----------------|---------|-------|
| Thermal Resistance | T_C = 70 °C, V_{DD} = 50 V, I_{DQ} = 100 mA, P_{OUT} = 125 W, Pulse Width = 300 μ s, Duty Cycle = 10% | Θ _{JC} | 1.0 | °C/W |

^{2.} MACOM does not recommend sustained operation near these survivability limits.

^{3.} For saturated performance it is recommended that the sum of (3 * V_{DD} + $|V_{GG}|$) < 175 V.

^{4.} Input Power Limit is +3 dB over nominal drive required to achieve Pout = 125 W.

^{5.} Operating junction temperature is measured with infrared (IR) microscope. Junction temperature directly affects a device's MTTF and should be kept as low as possible to maximize lifetime.

[•] MTTF = 5.3×10^6 hours (T_J < 200 °C)

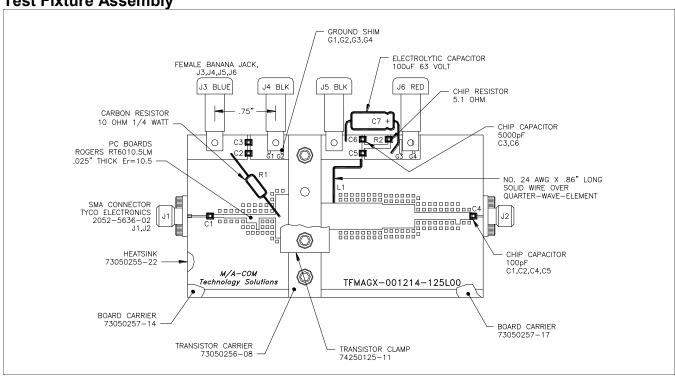
MTTF = 6.8 x 10⁴ hours (T_J < 250 °C)



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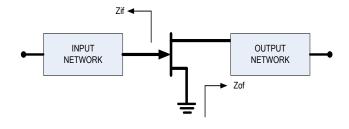
Test Fixture Assembly



Contact MACOM for additional circuit information.

Test Fixture Impedances

| Freq. (MHz) | Z _{IF} (Ω) | Z _{OF} (Ω) |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1200 | 6.6 - j7.1 | 8.0 + j1.9 |
| 1250 | 6.6 - j6.9 | 7.4 + j1.3 |
| 1300 | 6.6 - j6.7 | 6.6 + j1.3 |
| 1350 | 6.7 - j6.7 | 6.1 + j1.6 |
| 1400 | 6.7 - j6.7 | 5.7 + j2.2 |



Correct Device Sequencing

Turning the device ON

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

Turning the device OFF

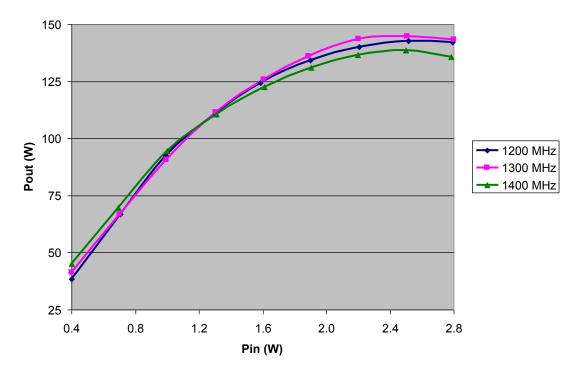
- 1. Turn the RF power off.
- 2. Decrease V_{GS} down to $V_{\text{P.}}$
- 3. Decrease V_{DS} down to 0 V.
- 4. Turn off V_{GS}



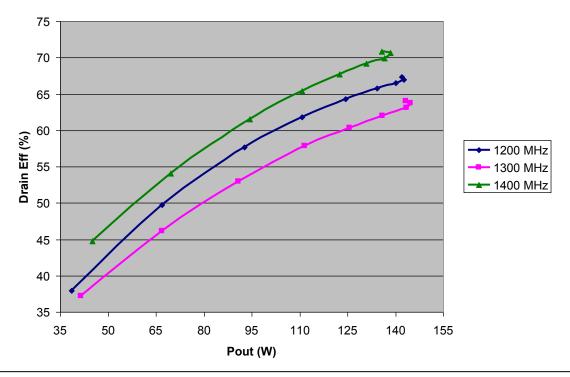
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RF Power Transfer Curve (Output Power Vs. Input Power)



RF Power Transfer Curve (Drain Efficiency Vs. Output Power)

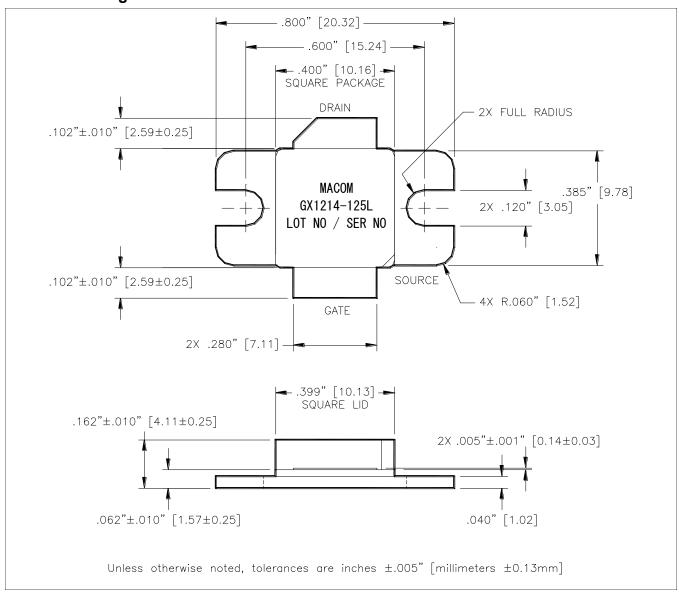




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Outline Drawing[†]



[†] Reference Application Note AN3025 for mounting/soldering recommendations. Meets JEDEC moisture sensitivity level 1 requirements. Plating is Ni/Au.



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