

8 to 12 GHz 17W Power Amplifier

Product Description

ATEK581N5 is a GaN MMIC high-power 17W amplifier operating from 8 to 12 GHz while providing 32dB of small signal gain.

The ATEK581N5 delivers +42dBm output with 42% power added efficiency over the 8 to 12GHz band.

The power amplifier is housed in a compact 5x5mm SMD package with input and output matched to 50 ohms internally.

Evaluation Board, custom package, and module options are available upon request.

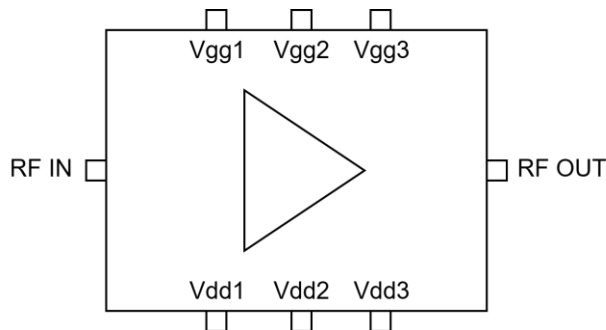
Product Features

- Internally matched GaN MMIC PA
- Frequency Range: 8 to 12 GHz
- Small Signal Gain: 32dB
- 21dB Power Gain with Pin = +22dBm
- PAE: 42% with +22dBm Pin
- Output Power: 17W
- Quiescent Bias: +28V @ 200mA
- 5x5 mm Compact Size

Applications

- Weather & Marine Radar
- Test & Measurement
- X-Band Transceivers
- EW / ECM / C-UAS

Functional Block Diagram



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Electrical Specifications

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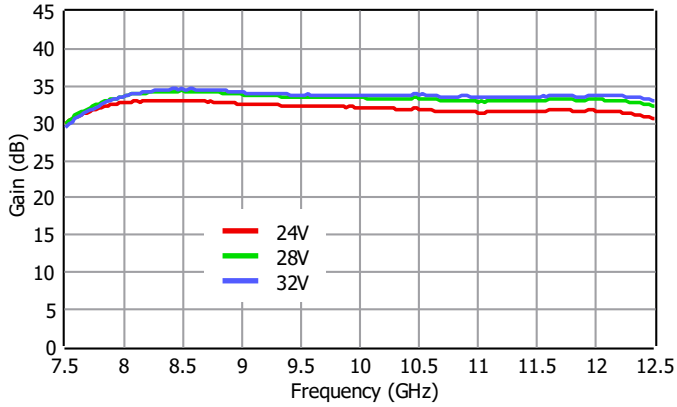
| Parameter | | Min | Typ | Max | Units |
|---|--------|-----|------|-----|-------|
| Operational Frequency Range | | 8 | | 12 | GHz |
| Output Power at Pin: +22 dBm | 8 GHz | | 42.9 | | dBm |
| | 9 GHz | | 43 | | |
| | 10 GHz | | 42.7 | | |
| | 11 GHz | | 42.6 | | |
| | 12 GHz | | 42.3 | | |
| Small Signal Gain | 8 GHz | | 31.7 | | dB |
| | 9 GHz | | 32.1 | | |
| | 10 GHz | | 32.1 | | |
| | 11 GHz | | 31.5 | | |
| | 12 GHz | | 32.3 | | |
| Input Return Loss | | | -17 | | dB |
| Output Return Loss | | | -12 | | dB |
| Noise Figure | | | TBD | | dB |
| Output IP3 | | | TBD | | dBm |
| Drain Voltage (V_{dd1} , V_{dd2} , V_{dd3}) | | 24 | 28 | 32 | V |
| Gate Voltage (V_{gg1} , V_{gg2} , V_{gg3}) | | | -2.1 | | V |
| <i>Adjust the gate voltage between -4V and -1V to achieve an $I_{DQ} = 200\text{mA}$ typical</i> | | | | | |
| Quiescent Current ($I_{dq1} + I_{dq2} + I_{dq3}$) | | | 200 | | mA |
| PAE | | | 42 | | % |
| Operating Temperature | | -40 | | 85 | °C |

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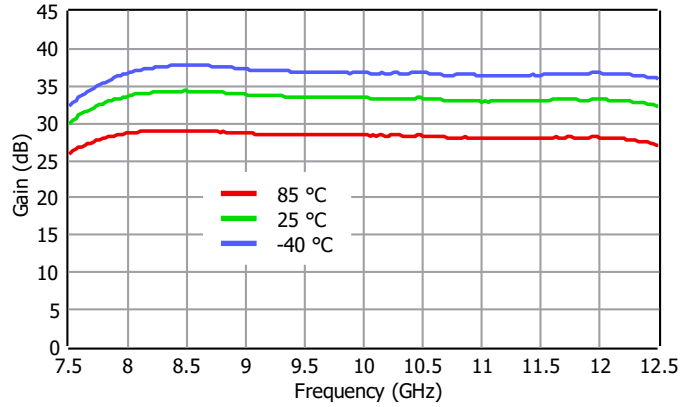
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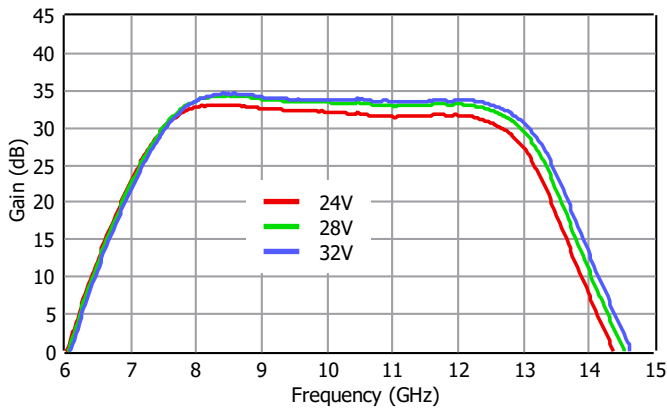
Gain vs Vdd



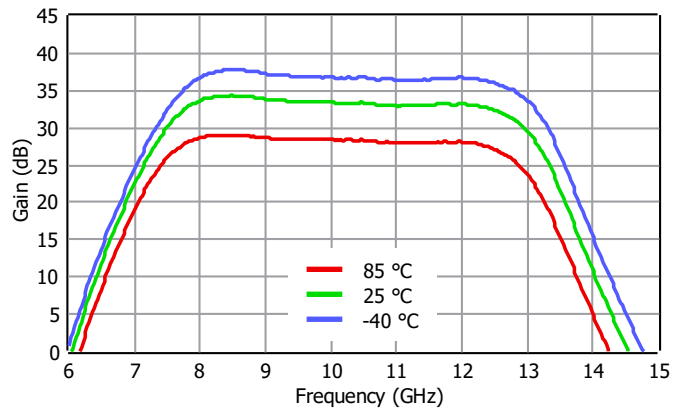
Gain vs Temperature



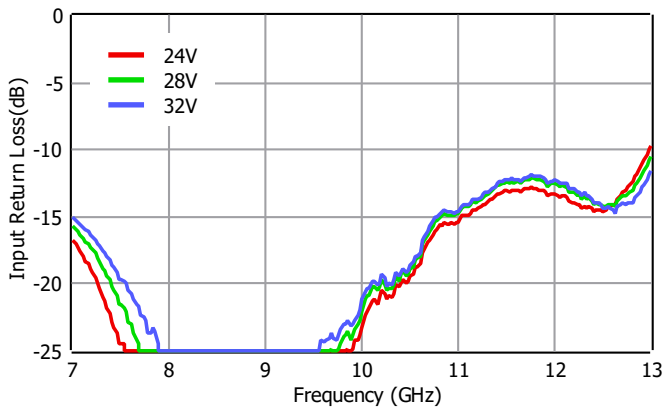
Wideband Gain vs Vdd



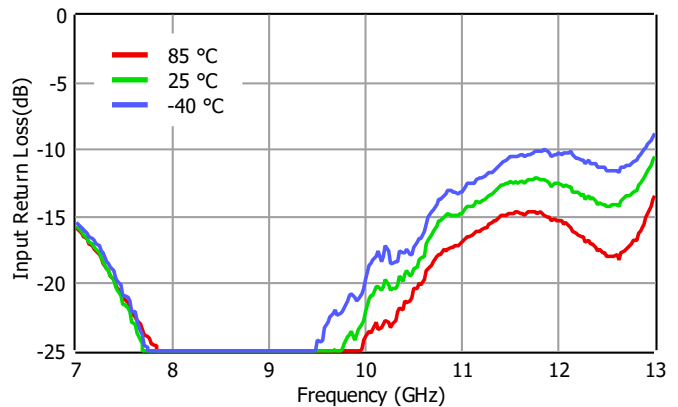
Wideband Gain vs Temperature



Input Return Loss vs Vdd



Input Return Loss vs Temperature

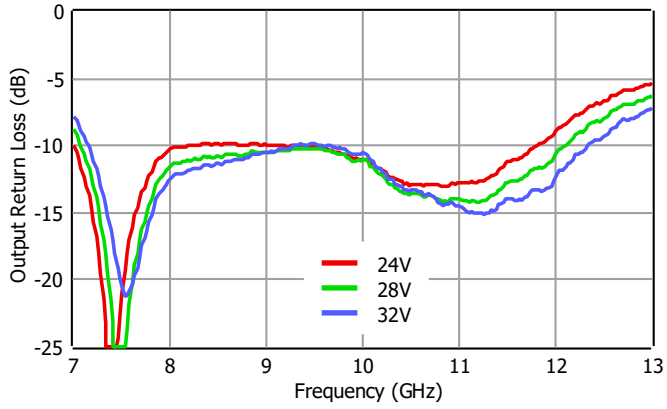


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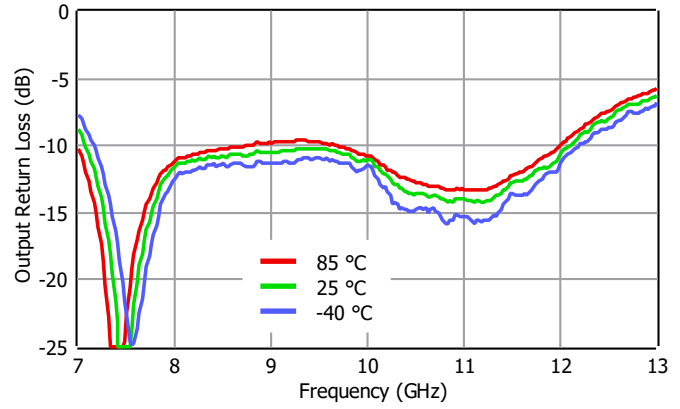
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Output Return Loss vs Vdd



Output Return Loss vs Temperature

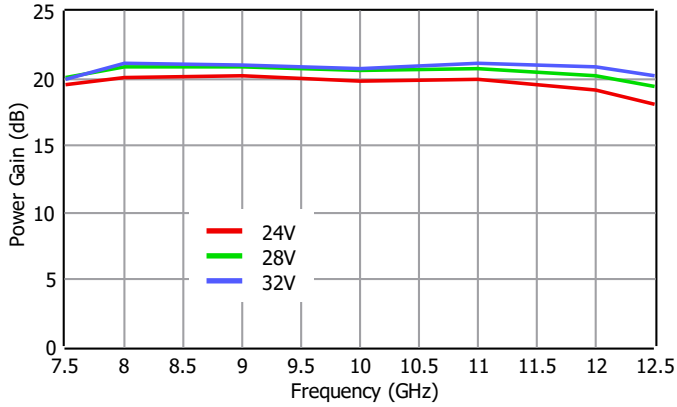


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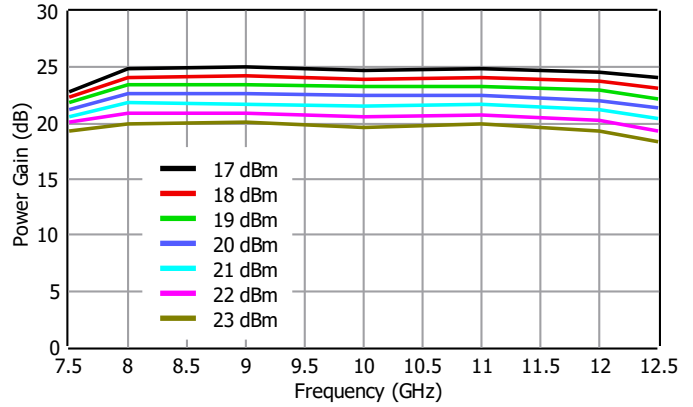
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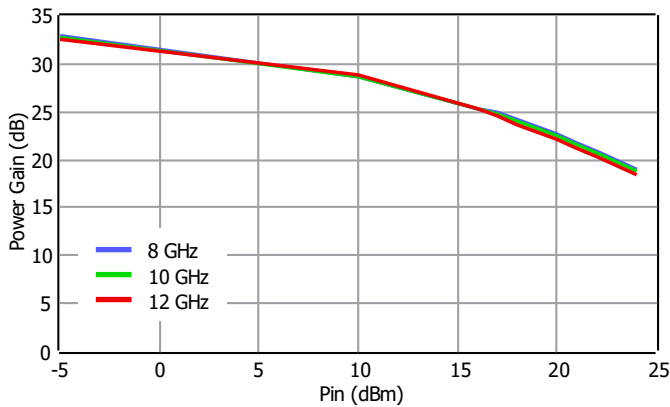
Power Gain vs Vdd, Pin = +22 dBm



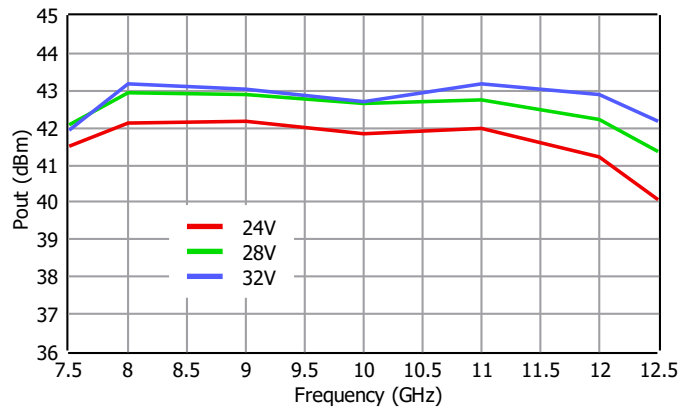
Power Gain vs Frequency, Pin



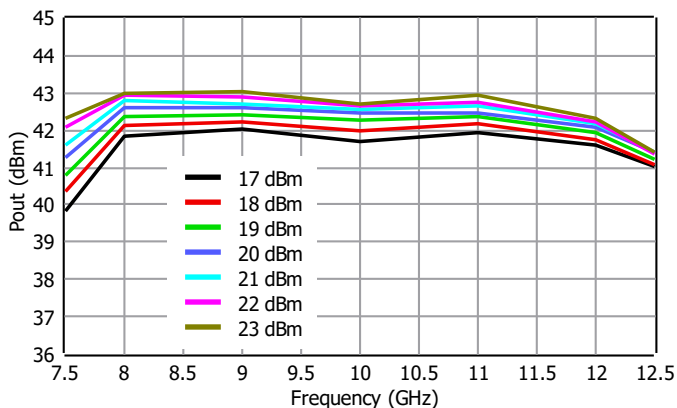
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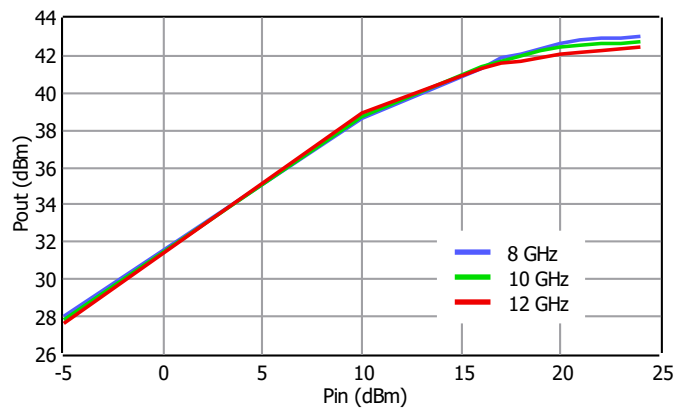
Pout vs Vdd, Pin = +22 dBm



Pout vs Frequency, Pin



Pout vs Pin, Frequency

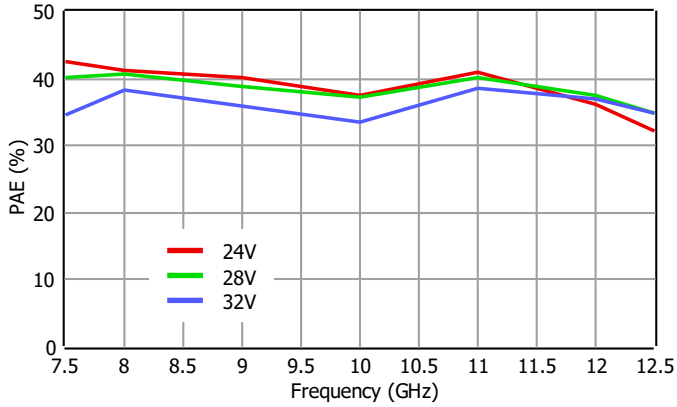


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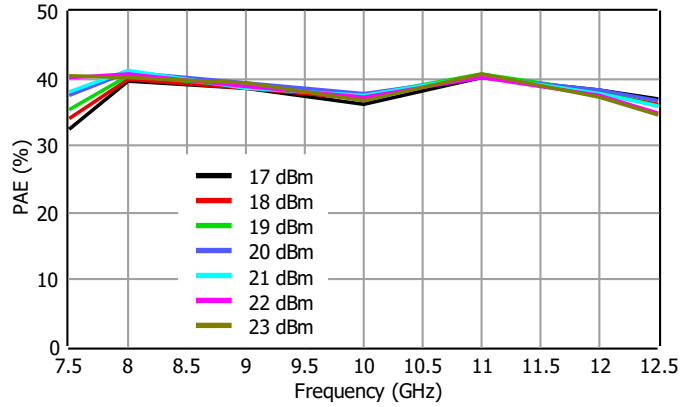
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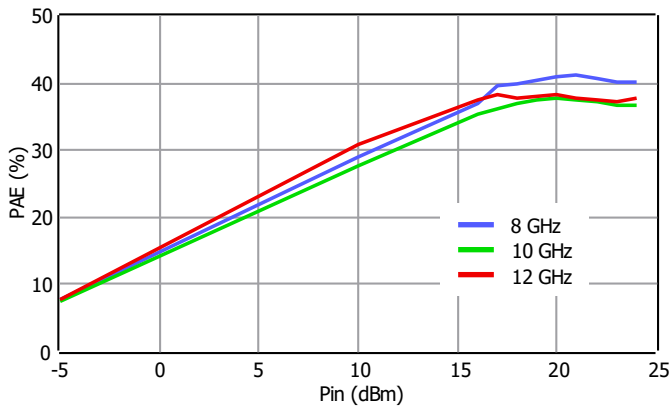
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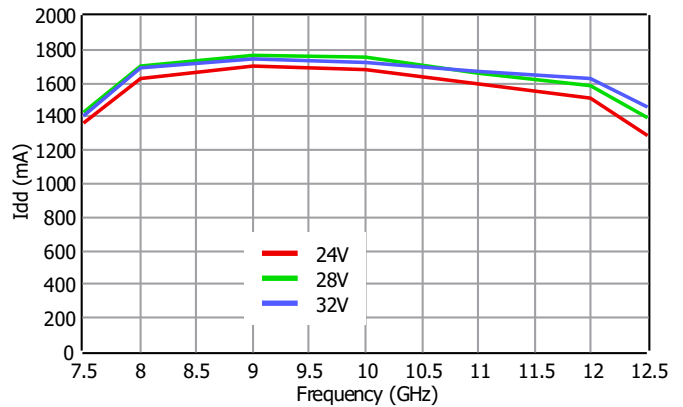
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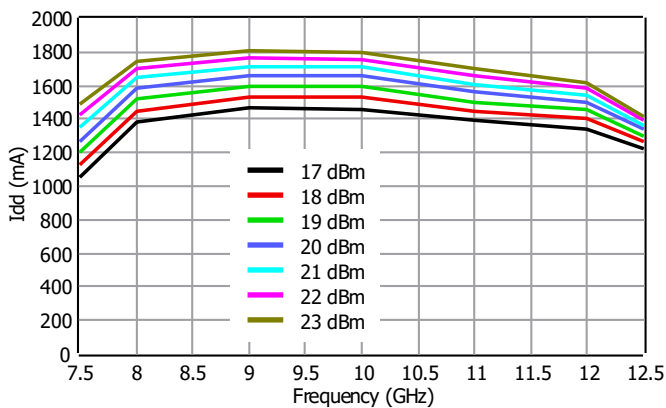
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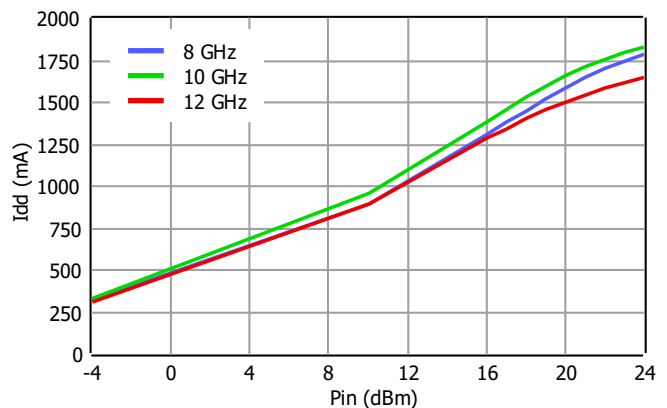
Idd vs Vdd, Pin = +22 dBm



Idd vs Frequency, Pin



Idd vs. Pin, Frequency

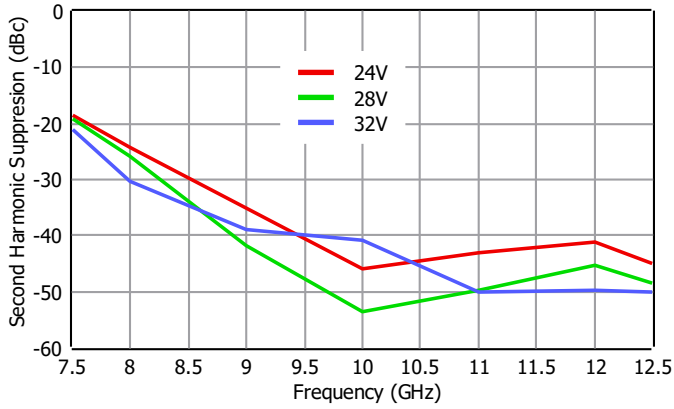


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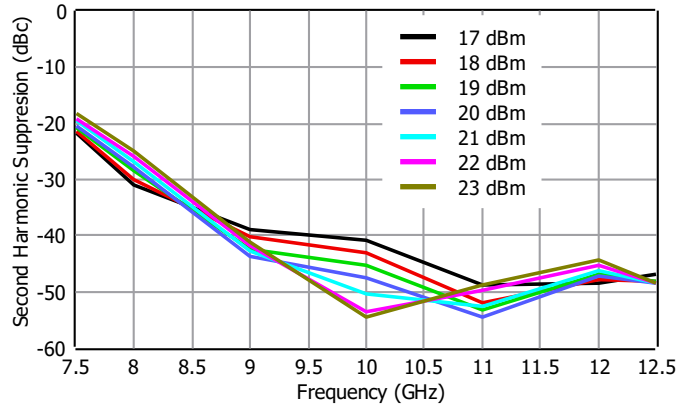
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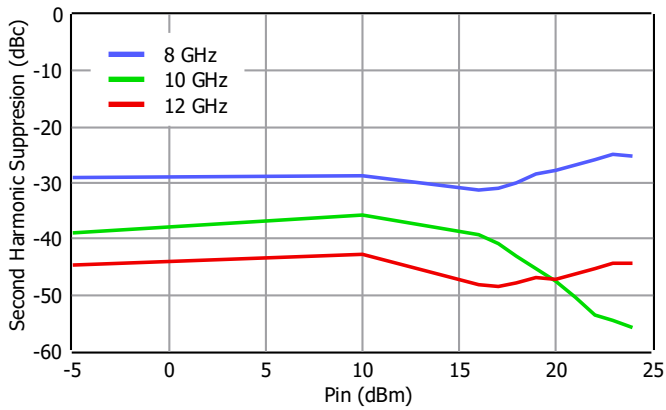
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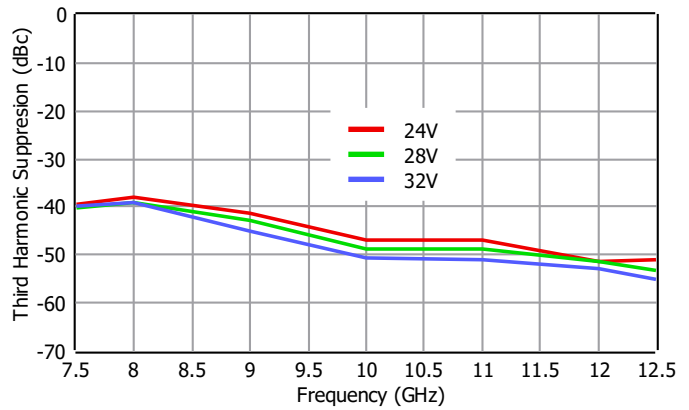
2nd Harmonic vs Frequency, Pin



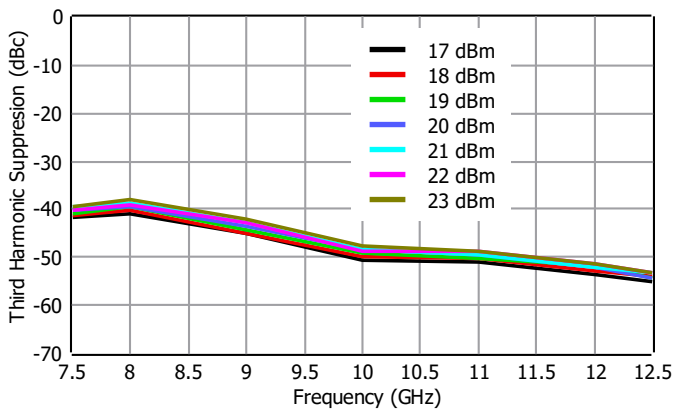
2nd Harmonic vs Pin, Frequency



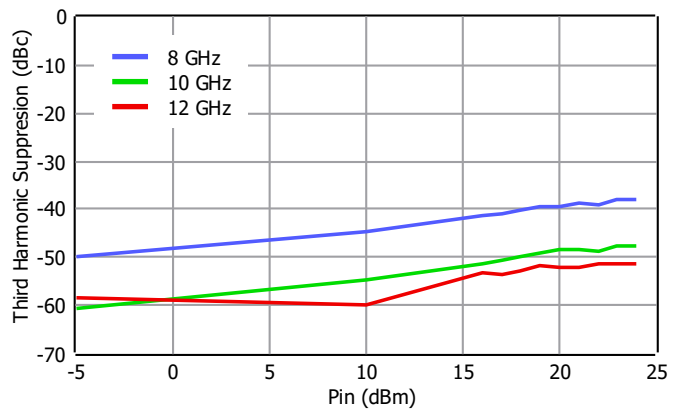
3rd Harmonic vs V_{DD}, Pin = +22 dBm



3rd Harmonic vs Frequency, Pin



3rd Harmonic vs. Pin, Frequency

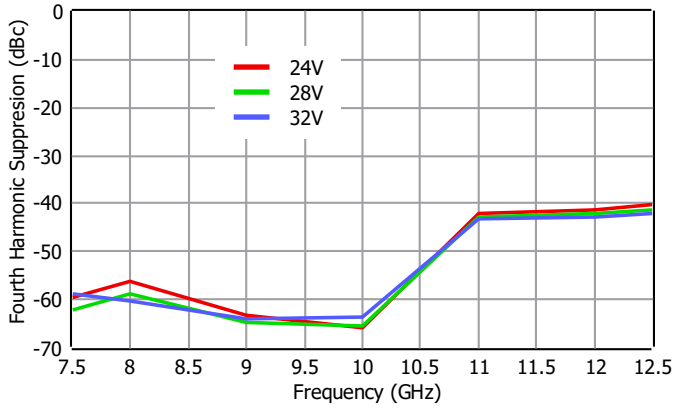


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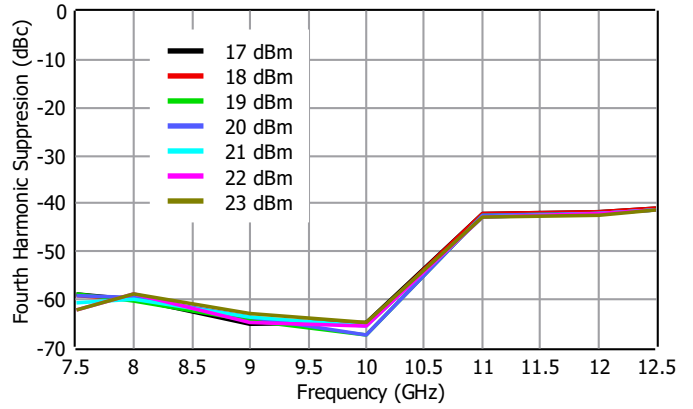
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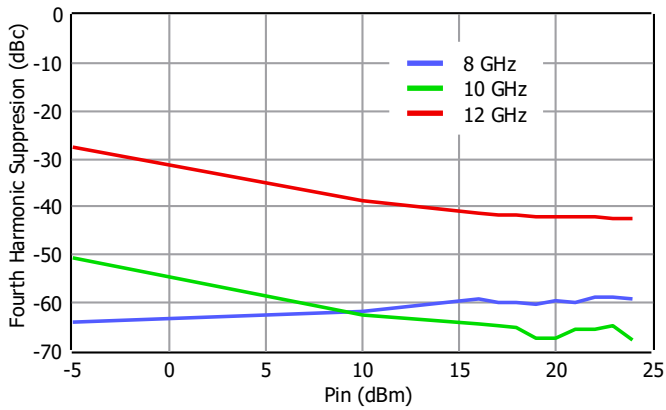
4th Harmonic vs Vdd, Pin = +22 dBm



4th Harmonic vs Frequency, Pin

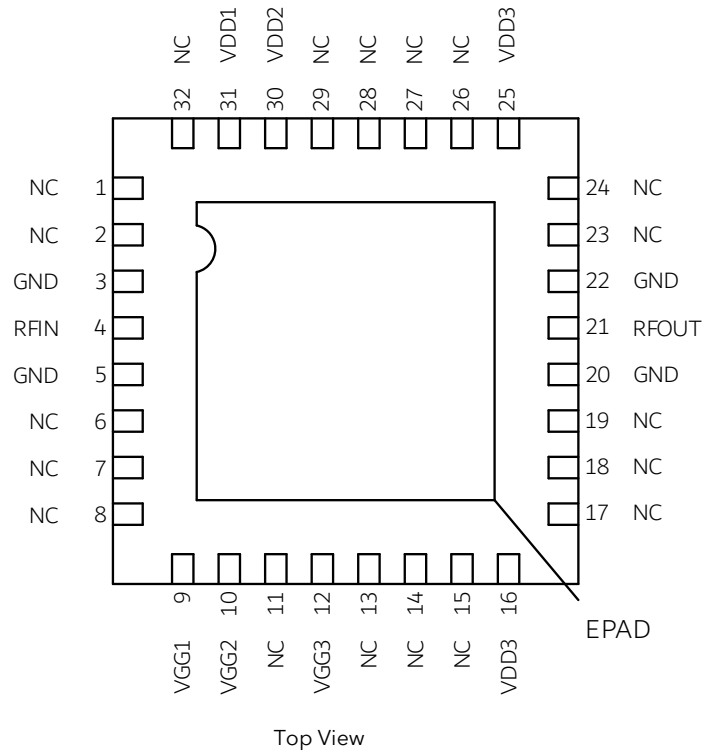


4th Harmonic vs Pin, Frequency



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Pin Description

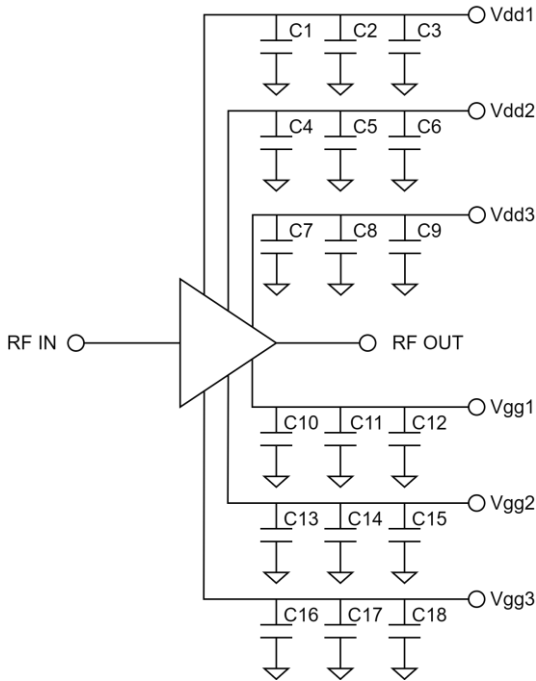


| Pin Number | Pin Name | Description |
|--|----------|--|
| 4 | RF IN | RF input pin. AC Coupled. |
| 21 | RF OUT | RF output pin. AC Coupled. |
| 31 | VDD1 | Vdd supply pin for stage1. |
| 30 | VDD2 | Vdd supply pin for stage2. |
| 16, 25 | VDD3 | Vdd supply pin for stage3. |
| 9 | VGG1 | Vgg bias pin for stage1. |
| 10 | VGG2 | Vgg bias pin for stage2. |
| 12 | VGG3 | Vgg bias pin for stage3. |
| 1, 2, 6-8, 11, 13-15, 17-19, 23, 24, 26-29, 32 | NC | These pins are not internally connected. Can be grounded on the PCB. |
| 3, 5, 20, 22 | GND | Ground. |
| 33 | EPAD | Exposed Pad on the bottom of the package should be connected to ground with multiple number of vias to reduce the inductance to the GND. |

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Applications Information

Signal entering from RF IN goes to RF OUT with an amplification.
A typical application schematic to operate the amplifier is given below.



C1 to C18 are used to filter out the ripples and unwanted signals coming from the Vdd supply. Using additional capacitors in parallel to C1 to C18 will improve this filtering.

All plots are generated with the ATEK581N5 mounted to a connectorized evaluation board. The PCB trace and connector transition losses are de-embedded, to generate plots shown in this document.

The NC pins of the Amplifier are connected to the GND on the PCBs used to generate the plots shown in this document.

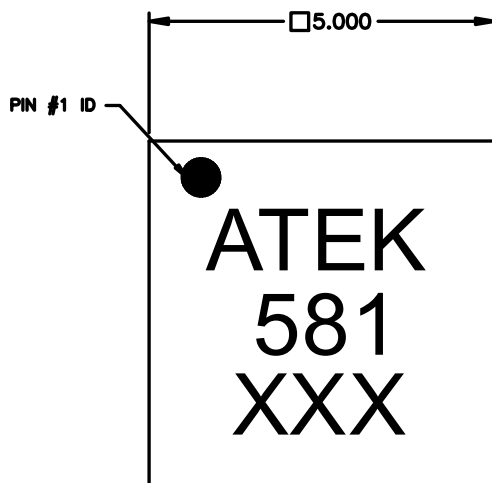
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Absolute Maximum Ratings

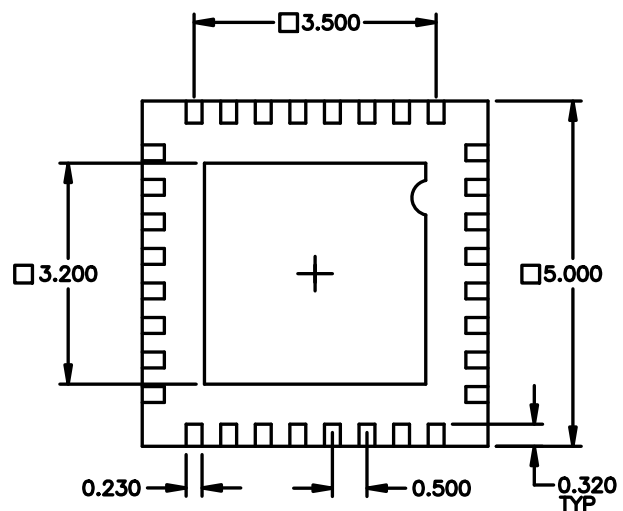
| Parameter | Value/Range |
|---|-----------------|
| Supply Voltage (Vdd) | +34V |
| Gate Voltage (Vg) | -5V min, 0V max |
| RF Input Power (Vdd = +28V) | +26dm |
| Channel Temperature | 220 °C |
| Thermal Resistance | 3.3 °C/W |
| Maximum Pulsed Power Dissipation (PDISS), Drain Bias Pulse Width=100us @10% Duty, TCASE 85°C, Derate 303mW/C above TCASE 85°C | 40.9W |
| Storage Temperature | -55 to +125 °C |
| Operating Temperature | -40 to +85 °C |

Operation of this device outside the parameter ranges given above may cause damage. These conditions should not be applied simultaneously.

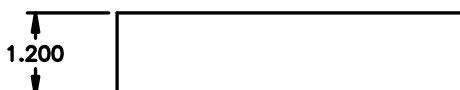
Mechanical and Marking Information



TOP VIEW



BOTTOM VIEW



SIDE VIEW

NOTES

1. ALL DIMENSIONS IN MM

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Caution!
ESD-Sensitive Device
Handle Accordingly

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