

**Amplifier, Power, 0.6W  
1.5-3.3 GHz**

**MAAPGM0026-DIE**  
903185 —  
Preliminary Information

**Features**

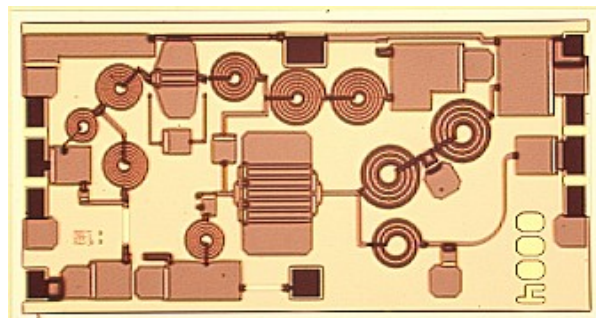
- ◆ **0.6 Watt Saturated Output Power Level**
- ◆ **Variable Drain Voltage (4-10V) Operation**
- ◆ **MSAG™ Process**

**Description**

The MAAPGM0026-DIE is a 2-stage, 0.6 W power amplifier with on-chip bias networks. This product is fully matched to 50 ohms on both the input and output. It can be used as a power amplifier stage or as a driver stage in high power applications.

Fabricated using M/A-COM's repeatable, high performance and highly reliable GaAs Multifunction Self-Aligned Gate (MSAG™) Process, each device is 100% RF tested on wafer to ensure performance compliance.

M/A-COM's MSAG™ process features robust silicon-like manufacturing processes, planar processing of ion implanted transistors, multiple implant capability enabling power, low-noise, switch and digital FETs on a single chip, and polyimide scratch protection for ease of use with automated manufacturing processes. The use of refractory metals and the absence of platinum in the gate metal formulation prevents hydrogen poisoning when employed in hermetic packaging.



**Primary Applications**

- ◆ **2.5-2.7 GHz MMDS**
- ◆ **GPS**
- ◆ **WLAN**
- ◆ **Point-to-Multipoint Radios**

**Electrical Characteristics:  $T_B = 40^\circ C^1$ ,  $Z_0 = 50 \Omega$ ,  $V_{DD} = 8V$ ,  $V_{GG} = -2V$ ,  $P_{in} = 12 \text{ dBm}$**

Parameter	Symbol	Typical	Units
Bandwidth	f	1.5-3.3	GHz
Output Power	$P_{OUT}$	28	dBm
Power Added Efficiency	PAE	25	%
1-dB Compression Point	$P_{1dB}$	27	dBm
Small Signal Gain	G	20	dB
Input VSWR	VSWR	1.7:1	
Gate Current	$I_{GG}$	< 10	mA
Drain Current	$I_{DD}$	< 300	mA
Output Third Order Intercept	OTOI	36	dBm
Noise Figure	NF	6	dB
3 <sup>rd</sup> Order Intermodulation Distortion Single Carrier Level = 23 dBm	IM3	31	dBc
5 <sup>th</sup> Order Intermodulation Distortion Single Carrier Level = 23 dBm	IM5	41	dBc
2 <sup>nd</sup> Harmonic	2f	-15	dBc
3 <sup>rd</sup> Harmonic	3f	-25	dBc

1.  $T_B$  = MMIC Base Temperature

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## Maximum Operating Conditions<sup>2</sup>

Parameter	Symbol	Absolute Maximum	Units
Input Power	$P_{IN}$	17.0	dBm
Drain Supply Voltage	$V_{DD}$	+12.0	V
Gate Supply Voltage	$V_{GG}$	-3.0	V
Quiescent Drain Current (No RF)	$I_{DQ}$	360	mA
Quiescent DC Power Dissipated (No RF)	$P_{DISS}$	2.4	W
Junction Temperature	$T_j$	180	°C
Storage Temperature	$T_{STG}$	-55 to +150	°C

2. Operation beyond these limits may result in permanent damage to the part.

## Recommended Operating Conditions<sup>3</sup>

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Drain Voltage	VDD	4.0	8.0	10.0	V
Gate Voltage	VGG	-2.3	-2.0	-1.5	V
Input Power	PIN			15.0	dBm
Junction Temperature	$T_j$			150	°C
Thermal Resistance	$\theta_{JC}$		33.1°	150	°C/W
MMIC Base Temperature	$T_B$			Note 3	°C

3. Maximum MMIC Base Temperature = 150°C—  $\theta_{JC} * V_{DD} * I_{DQ}$

4. Operation outside of these ranges may reduce product reliability.

## Operating Instructions

This device is static sensitive. Please handle with care. To operate the device, follow these steps.

1. Apply  $V_{GG} = -2$  V,  $V_{DD} = 0$  V.
2. Ramp  $V_{DD}$  to desired voltage, typically 8 V.
3. Adjust  $V_{GG}$  to set  $I_{DQ}$ , (approximately @ -2 V).
4. Set RF input.
5. Power down sequence in reverse. Turn  $V_{GG}$  off last.



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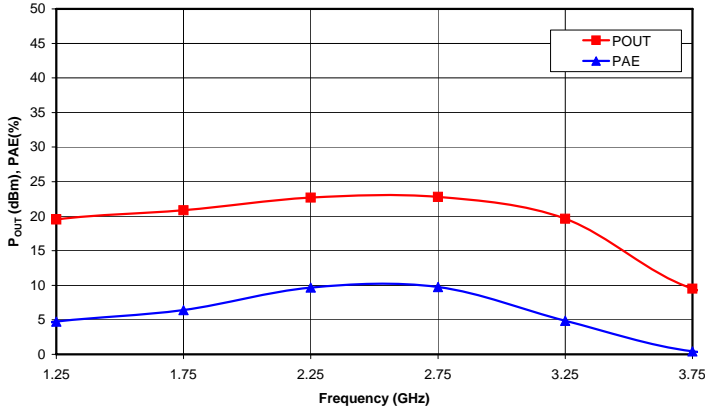


Figure 1. Output Power and Power Added Efficiency vs. Frequency at V<sub>DD</sub> = 8V.

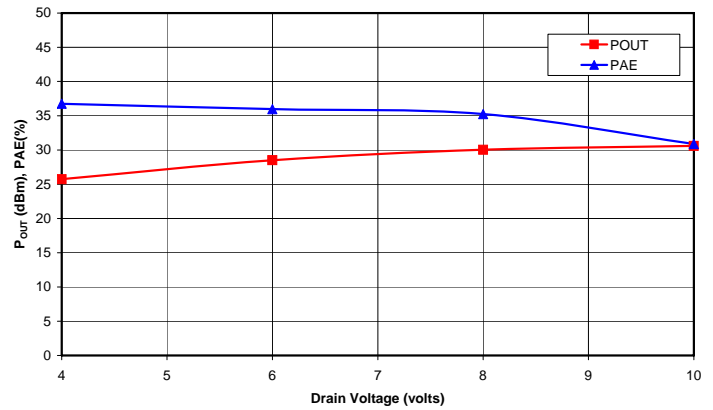


Figure 2. Saturated Output Power and Power Added Efficiency vs. Drain Voltage at f<sub>0</sub> = 2.25 GHz.

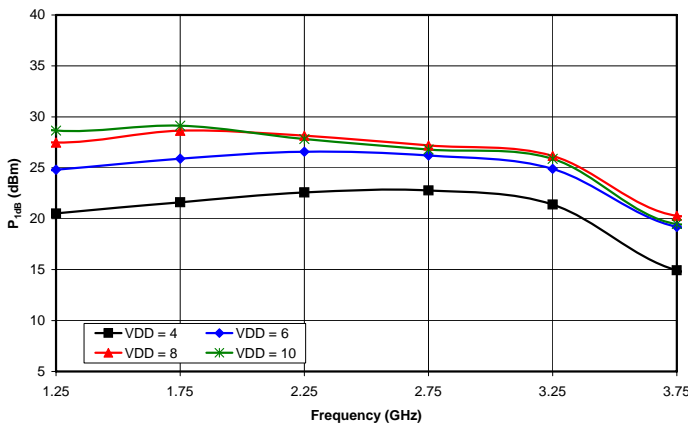


Figure 3. 1dB Compression Point vs. Drain Voltage

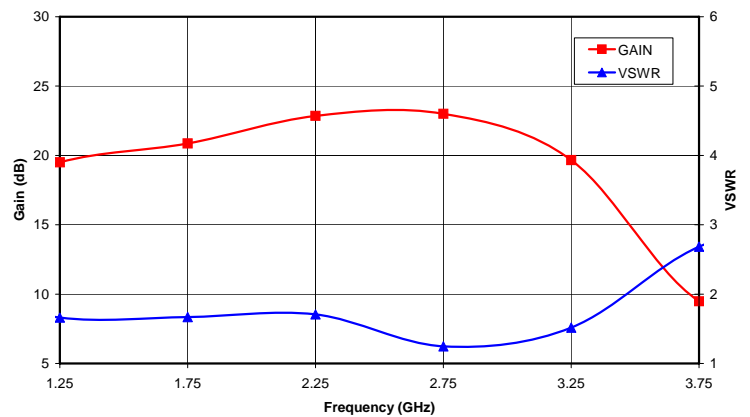


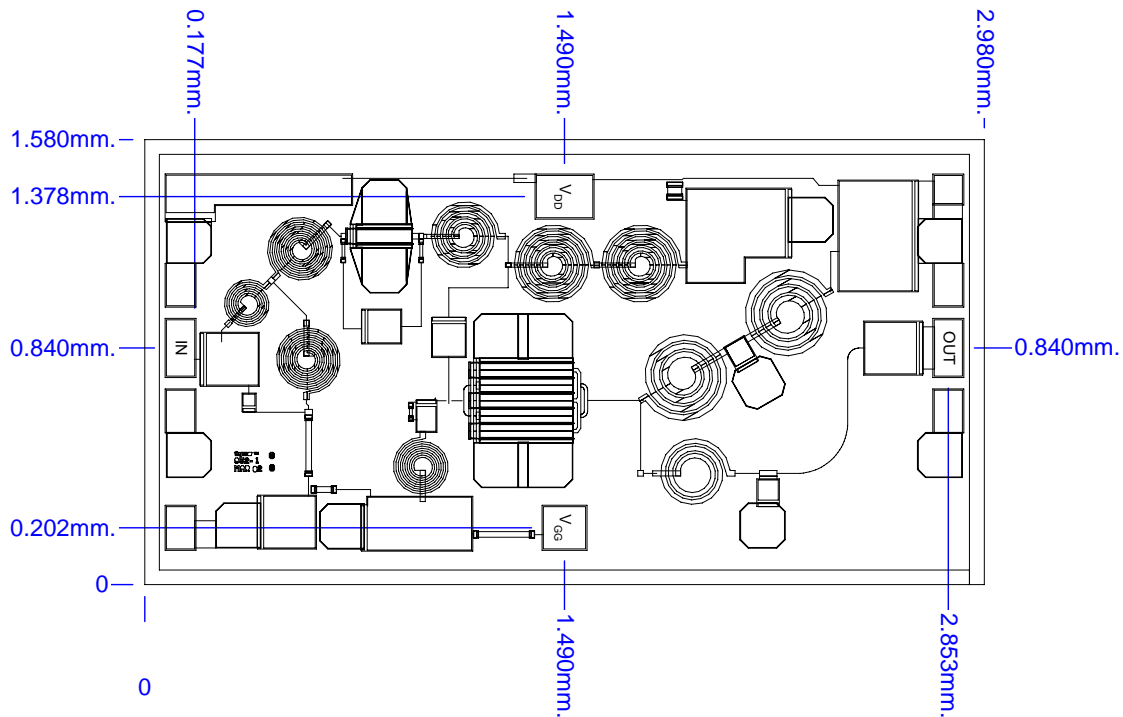
Figure 4. Small Signal Gain and VSWR vs. Frequency at V<sub>DD</sub> = 8V.

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### Mechanical Information

Chip Size: 2.980 x 1.580 x 0.075 mm (117 x 62 x 3 mils)



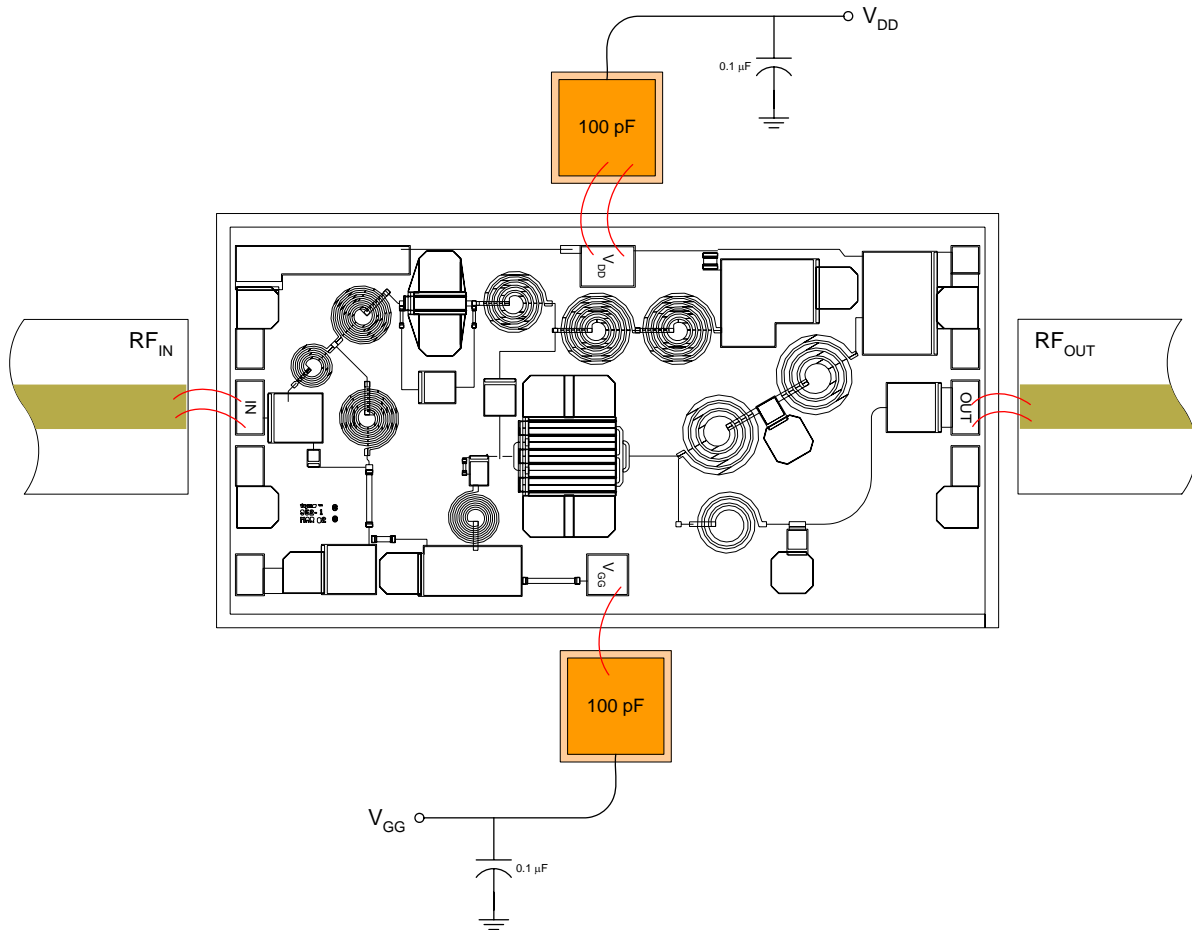
**Figure 5. Die Layout**

Chip edge to bond pad dimensions are shown to the center of the bond pad.

### Bond Pad Dimensions

Pad	Size (µm)	Size (mils)
RF In and Out	100 x 200	4 x 8
DC Drain Supply Voltage VDD	200 x 150	8 x 6
DC Gate Supply Voltage VGG	150 x 150	6 x 6

## Assembly and Bonding Diagram



**Figure 6. Recommended bonding diagram for pedestal mount.**  
Support circuitry typical of MMIC characterization fixture for CW test-

### Assembly Instructions:

**Die attach:** Use AuSn (80/20) 1 mil. preform solder. Limit time @ 300 °C to less than 5 minutes.

**Wirebonding:** Bond @ 160 °C using standard ball or thermal compression wedge bond techniques. For DC pad connections, use either ball or wedge bonds. For best RF performance, use wedge bonds of shortest length, although ball bonds are also acceptable.

**Biasing Note:** Must apply negative bias to  $V_{GG}$  before applying positive bias to  $V_{DD}$  to prevent damage to amplifier.