

# BLF881; BLF881S

UHF power LDMOS transistor

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Product data sheet

## 1. Product profile

### 1.1 General description

A 140 W LDMOS RF power transistor for broadcast transmitter applications and industrial applications. The transistor can deliver 140 W from HF to 1 GHz. The excellent ruggedness and broadband performance of this device makes it ideal for digital transmitter applications.

**Table 1. Typical performance**

RF performance at  $V_{DS} = 50$  V in a common-source 860 MHz test circuit.

| Mode of operation | f (MHz)                     | $P_L$ (W) | $P_{L(PEP)}$ (W) | $P_{L(AV)}$ (W) | $G_p$ (dB) | $\eta_D$ (%) | IMD3 (dBc) | IMD <sub>shldr</sub> (dBc) |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------------------------|
| 2-tone, class AB  | $f_1 = 860$ ; $f_2 = 860.1$ | -         | 140              | -               | 21         | 49           | -34        | -                          |
| DVB-T (8k OFDM)   | 858                         | -         | -                | 33              | 21         | 34           | -          | -33 <sup>[1]</sup>         |

[1] Measured [dBc] with delta marker at 4.3 MHz from center frequency.

#### CAUTION



This device is sensitive to ElectroStatic Discharge (ESD). Therefore care should be taken during transport and handling.

### 1.2 Features and benefits

- 2-Tone performance at 860 MHz, a drain-source voltage  $V_{DS}$  of 50 V and a quiescent drain current  $I_{Dq} = 0.5$  A:
  - ◆ Peak envelope power load power = 140 W
  - ◆ Power gain = 21 dB
  - ◆ Drain efficiency = 49 %
  - ◆ Third order intermodulation distortion = -34 dBc
- DVB performance at 858 MHz, a drain-source voltage  $V_{DS}$  of 50 V and a quiescent drain current  $I_{Dq} = 0.5$  A:
  - ◆ Average output power = 33 W
  - ◆ Power gain = 21 dB
  - ◆ Drain efficiency = 34 %
  - ◆ Shoulder distance = -33 dBc (4.3 MHz from center frequency)
- Integrated ESD protection
- Excellent ruggedness
- High power gain



- High efficiency
- Excellent reliability
- Easy power control
- Compliant to Directive 2002/95/EC, regarding Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)

### 1.3 Applications

- Communication transmitter applications in the UHF band
- Industrial applications in the UHF band

## 2. Pinning information

Table 2. Pinning

| Pin                      | Description | Simplified outline | Graphic symbol |
|--------------------------|-------------|--------------------|----------------|
| <b>BLF881 (SOT467C)</b>  |             |                    |                |
| 1                        | drain       |                    |                |
| 2                        | gate        |                    |                |
| 3                        | source      | [1]                |                |
| <b>BLF881S (SOT467B)</b> |             |                    |                |
| 1                        | drain       |                    |                |
| 2                        | gate        |                    |                |
| 3                        | source      |                    |                |

[1] Connected to flange.

## 3. Ordering information

Table 3. Ordering information

| Type number | Package |   |         |
|-------------|---------|---|---------|
|             | Name    | Description   | Version |
| BLF881      | -       | flanged LDMOST ceramic package; 2 mounting holes; 2 leads | SOT467C |
| BLF881S     | -       | earless LDMOST ceramic package; 2 leads                   | SOT467B |

## 4. Limiting values

**Table 4. Limiting values**

In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 60134).

| Symbol    | Parameter            | Conditions | Min  | Max  | Unit |
|-----------|----------------------|------------|------|------|------|
| $V_{DS}$  | drain-source voltage |            | -    | 104  | V    |
| $V_{GS}$  | gate-source voltage  |            | -0.5 | +13  | V    |
| $T_{stg}$ | storage temperature  |            | -65  | +150 | °C   |
| $T_j$     | junction temperature |            | -    | 200  | °C   |

## 5. Thermal characteristics

**Table 5. Thermal characteristics**

| Symbol        | Parameter                                | Conditions   | Typ | Unit     |
|---------------|--|--|-----|----------|
| $R_{th(j-c)}$ | thermal resistance from junction to case | $T_{case} = 80\text{ °C}$ ;<br>$P_{L(AV)} = 70\text{ W}$ | [1] | 0.95 K/W |

[1]  $R_{th(j-c)}$  is measured under RF conditions.

## 6. Characteristics

**Table 6. DC characteristics**

$T_j = 25\text{ °C}$  unless otherwise specified.

| Symbol        | Parameter                        | Conditions  | Min | Typ  | Max | Unit |
|---------------|----------------------------------|---|-----|------|-----|------|
| $V_{(BR)DSS}$ | drain-source breakdown voltage   | $V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}$ ; $I_D = 1.35\text{ mA}$                      | [1] | 104  | -   | V    |
| $V_{GS(th)}$  | gate-source threshold voltage    | $V_{DS} = 10\text{ V}$ ; $I_D = 135\text{ mA}$                      | [1] | 1.4  | 2.4 | V    |
| $I_{DSS}$     | drain leakage current            | $V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}$ ; $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$                      | -   | -    | 1.4 | μA   |
| $I_{DSX}$     | drain cut-off current            | $V_{GS} = V_{GSth} + 3.75\text{ V}$ ; $V_{DS} = 10\text{ V}$        | 19  | 21   | -   | A    |
| $I_{GSS}$     | gate leakage current             | $V_{GS} = 10\text{ V}$ ; $V_{DS} = 0\text{ V}$                      | -   | -    | 140 | nA   |
| $R_{DS(on)}$  | drain-source on-state resistance | $V_{GS} = V_{GSth} + 3.75\text{ V}$ ; $I_D = 4.5\text{ A}$          | [1] | -    | 210 | mΩ   |
| $C_{iss}$     | input capacitance                | $V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}$ ; $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$ ; $f = 1\text{ MHz}$ | -   | 100  | -   | pF   |
| $C_{oss}$     | output capacitance               | $V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}$ ; $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$ ; $f = 1\text{ MHz}$ | -   | 33.5 | -   | pF   |
| $C_{rss}$     | reverse transfer capacitance     | $V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}$ ; $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$ ; $f = 1\text{ MHz}$ | -   | 1    | -   | pF   |

[1]  $I_D$  is the drain current.

**Table 7. RF characteristics**

$T_h = 25\text{ °C}$  unless otherwise specified.

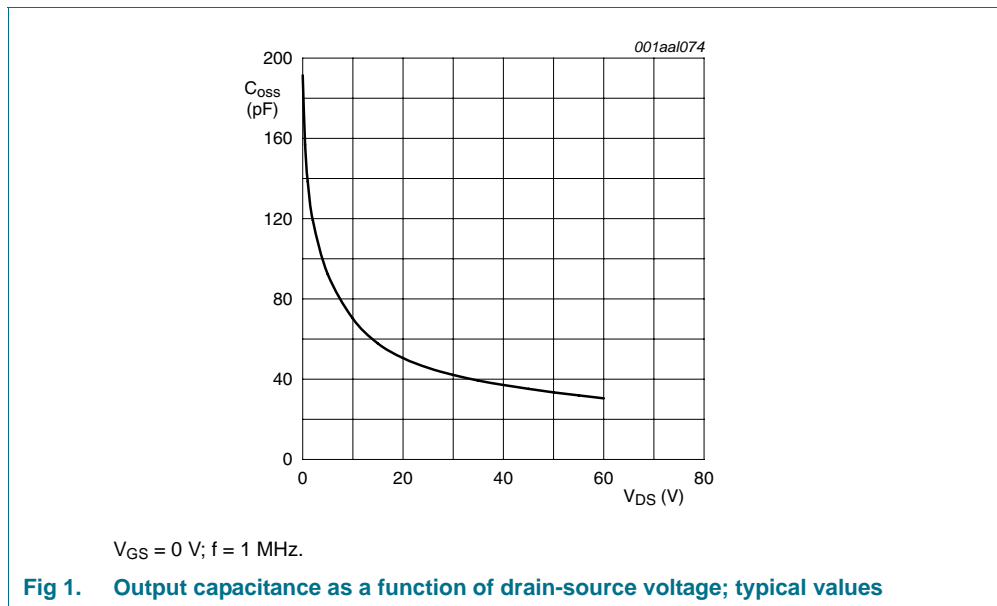
| Symbol                  | Parameter                              | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|-------------------------|--|------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| <b>2-Tone, class AB</b> |  |            |     |     |     |      |
| $V_{DS}$                | drain-source voltage                   |            | -   | 50  | -   | V    |
| $I_{Dq}$                | quiescent drain current                |            | -   | 0.5 | -   | A    |
| $P_{L(PEP)}$            | peak envelope power load power         |            | -   | 140 | -   | W    |
| $G_p$                   | power gain                             |            | 20  | 21  | -   | dB   |
| $\eta_D$                | drain efficiency                       |            | 45  | 49  | -   | %    |
| IMD3                    | third-order intermodulation distortion |            | -   | -34 | -30 | dBc  |

**Table 7. RF characteristics ...continued**  
*T<sub>h</sub> = 25 °C unless otherwise specified.*

| Symbol                 | Parameter                           | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| <b>DVB-T (8k OFDM)</b> |                                     |            |     |     |     |      |
| V <sub>DS</sub>        | drain-source voltage                |            | -   | 50  | -   | V    |
| I <sub>Dq</sub>        | quiescent drain current             |            | -   | 0.5 | -   | A    |
| P <sub>L(AV)</sub>     | average output power                |            | -   | 33  | -   | W    |
| G <sub>p</sub>         | power gain                          |            | 20  | 21  | -   | dB   |
| η <sub>D</sub>         | drain efficiency                    |            | 30  | 34  | -   | %    |
| IMD <sub>shldr</sub>   | intermodulation distortion shoulder |            | [1] | -33 | -30 | dBc  |
| PAR                    | peak-to-average ratio               |            | [2] | 8.3 | -   | dB   |

[1] Measured [dBc] with delta marker at 4.3 MHz from center frequency.

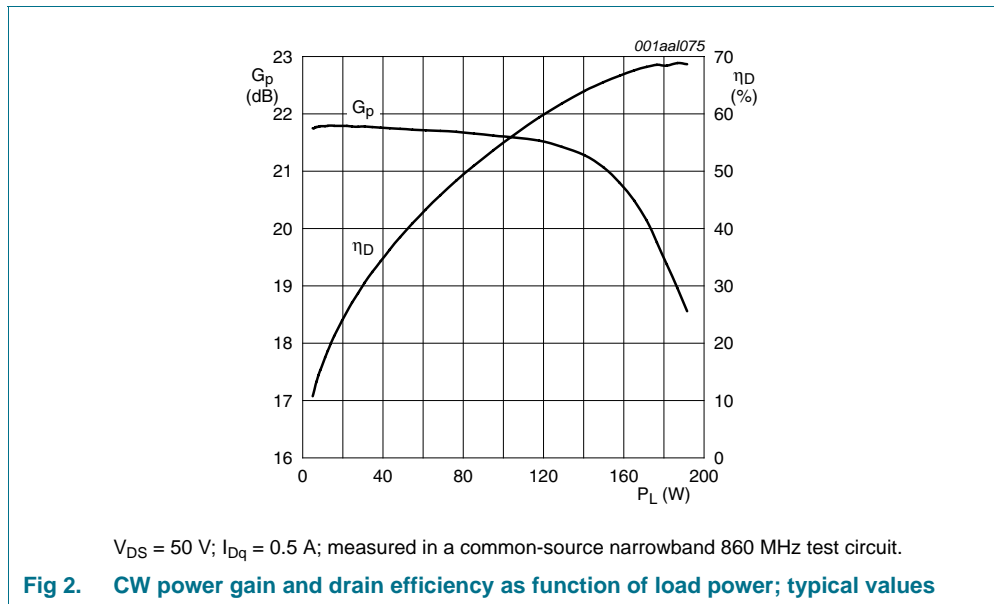
[2] PAR (of output signal) at 0.01 % probability on CCDF; PAR of input signal = 9.5 dB at 0.01 % probability on CCDF.



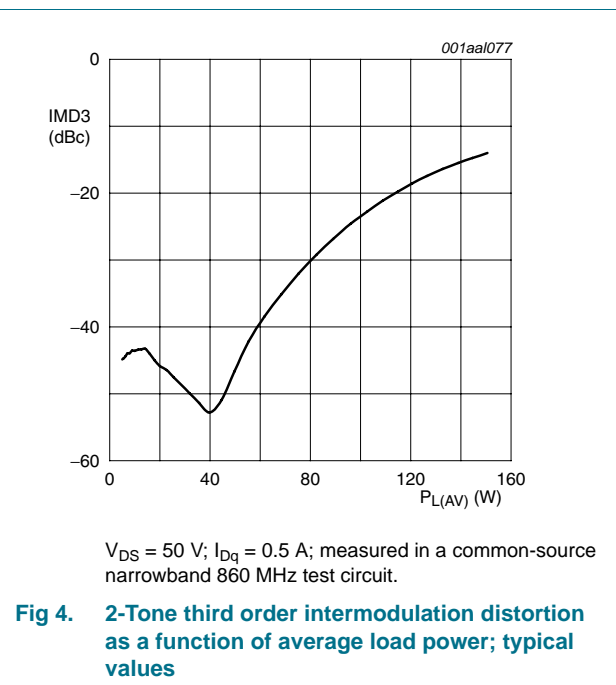
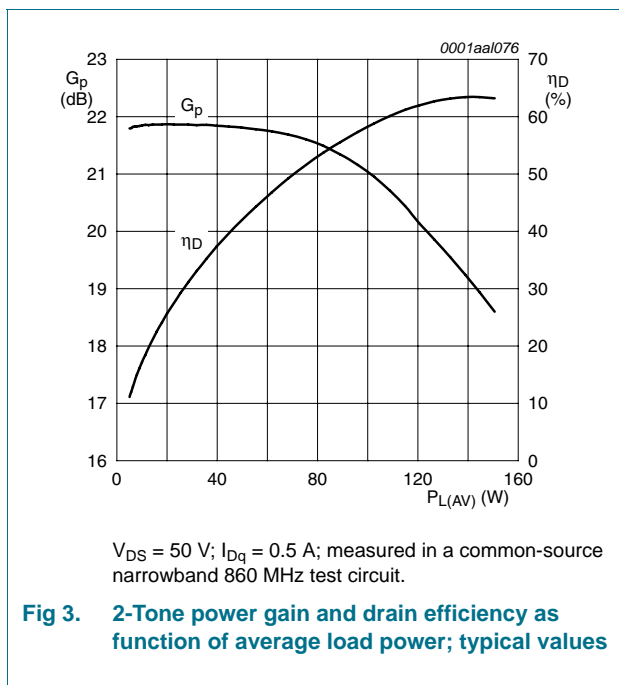
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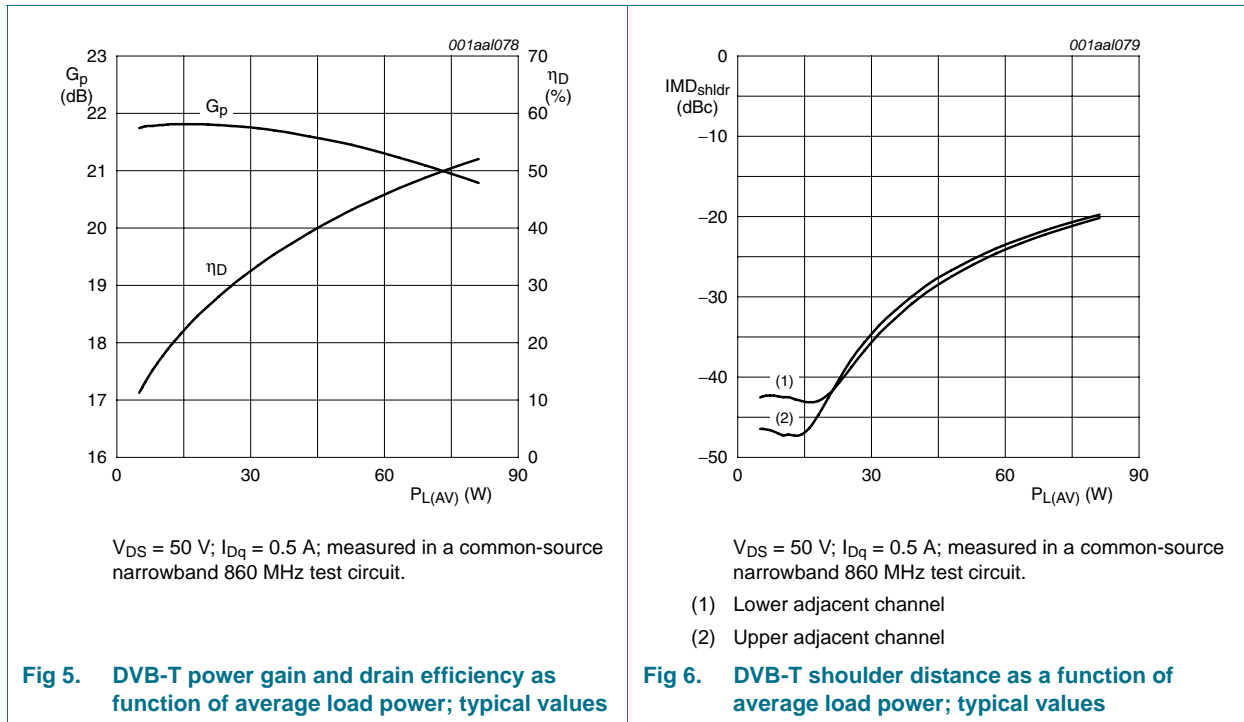
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**7.1.2 2-Tone**

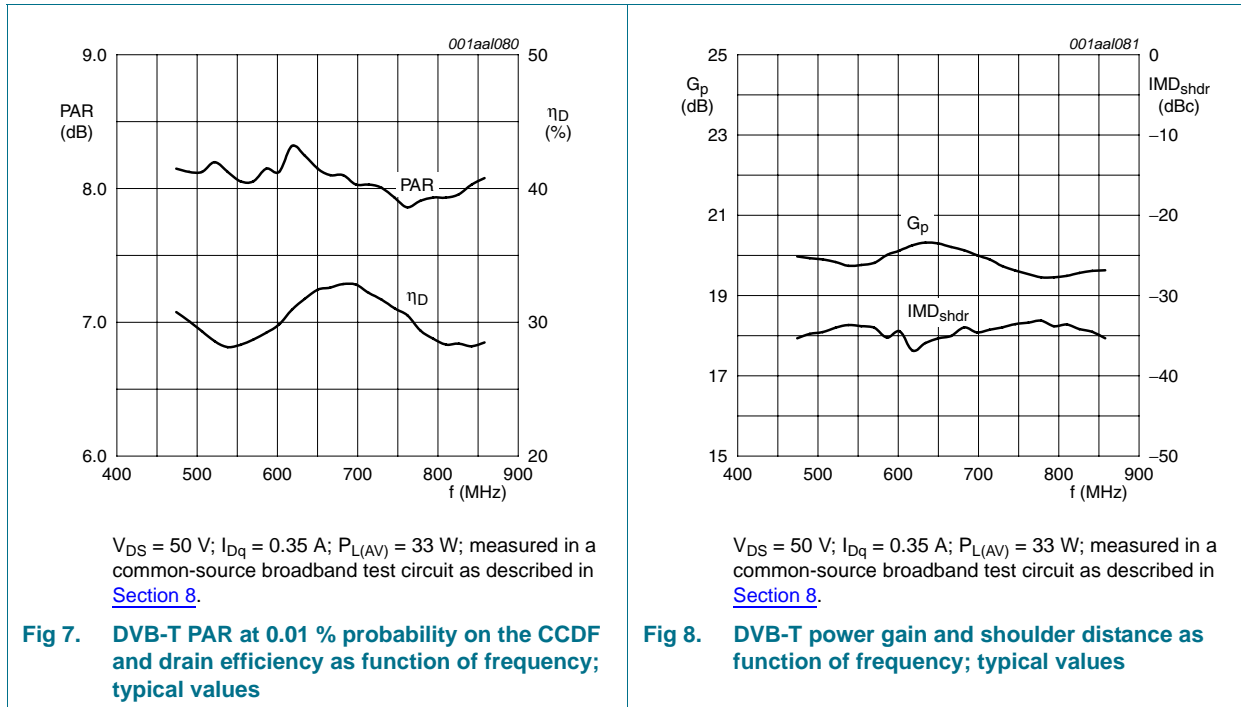


7.1.3 DVB-T



**7.2 Broadband RF figures**

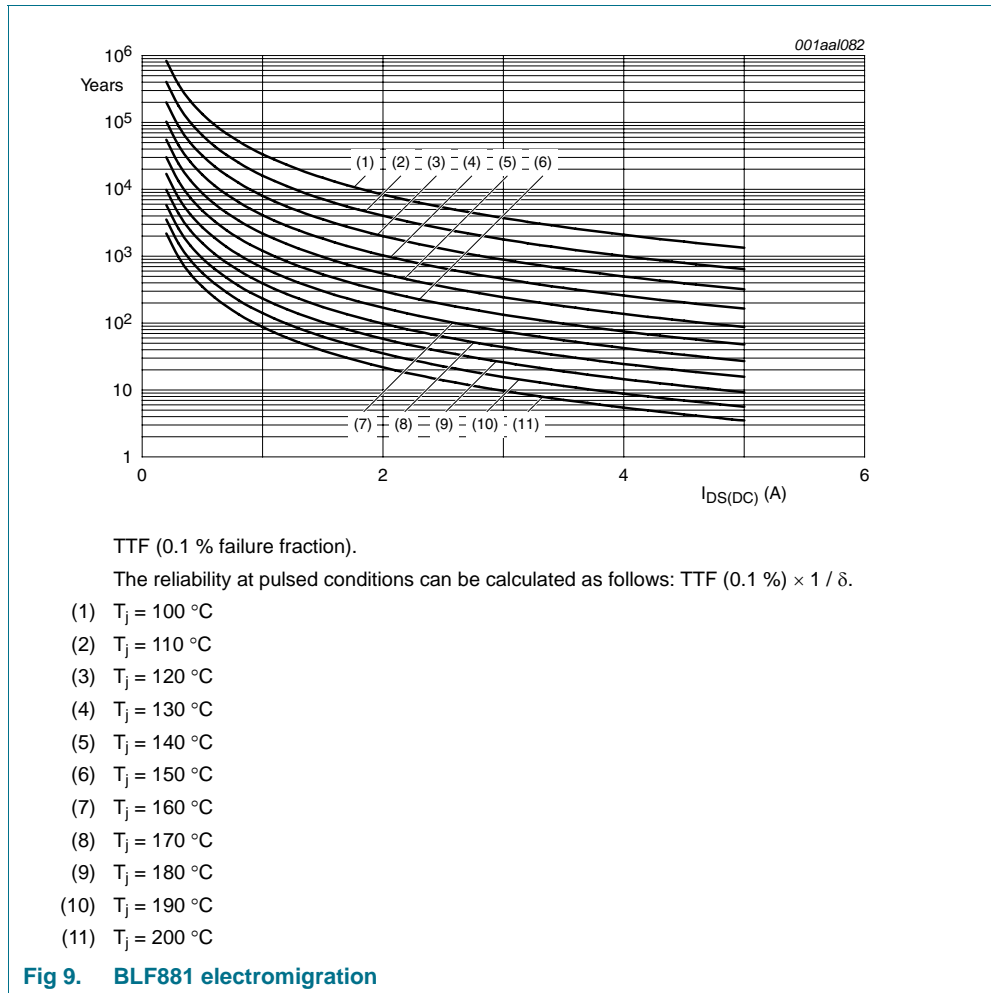
**7.2.1 DVB-T**



**7.3 Ruggedness in class-AB operation**

The BLF881 and BLF881S are capable of withstanding a load mismatch corresponding to  $V_{SWR} = 10 : 1$  through all phases under the following conditions:  $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}; f = 860\text{ MHz}$  at rated power. Ruggedness is measured in the application circuit as described in [Section 8](#).

**7.4 Reliability**





## 8. Test information

**Table 8. List of components**

For test circuit, see [Figure 10](#), [Figure 11](#) and [Figure 12](#).

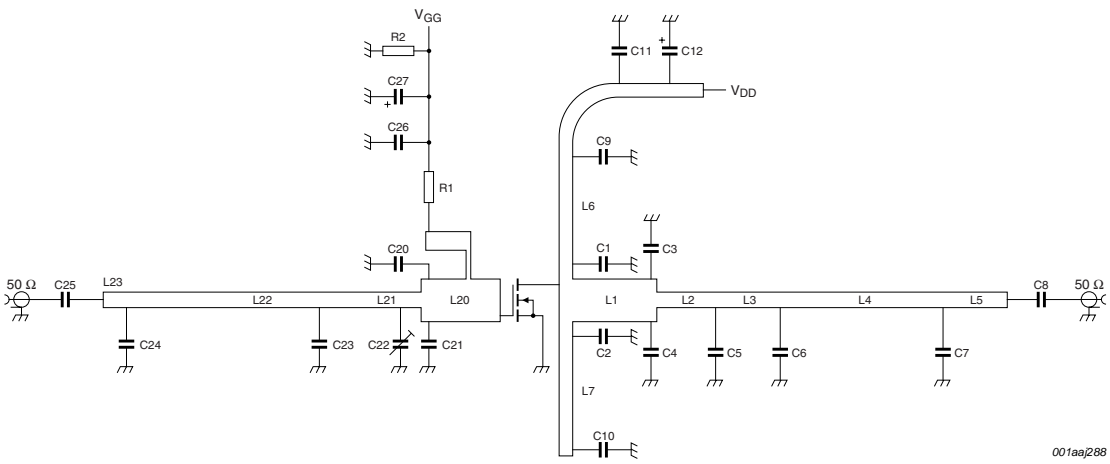
| Component             | Description                       | Value             | Remarks  |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| C1, C2                | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 5.1 pF            | [1]  |
| C3, C4                | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 10 pF             | [2]  |
| C5                    | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 6.8 pF            | [1]  |
| C6                    | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 4.7 pF            | [1]  |
| C7                    | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 2.7 pF            | [1]  |
| C8, C9, C10, C25, C26 | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 100 pF            | [1]  |
| C11, C27              | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 10 $\mu$ F        | TDK C570X7R1H106KT000N or capacitor of same quality. |
| C12                   | electrolytic capacitor            | 470 $\mu$ F; 63 V |  |
| C20                   | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 10 pF             | [3]  |
| C21                   | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 8.2 pF            | [3]  |
| C22                   | trimmer                           | 0.6 pF to 4.5 pF  | Tekelec  |
| C23                   | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 6.8 pF            | [3]  |
| C24                   | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 3.9 pF            | [3]  |
| L1                    | stripline                         | -                 | [4] (W $\times$ L) 7 mm $\times$ 15 mm               |
| L2                    | stripline                         | -                 | [4] (W $\times$ L) 2.4 mm $\times$ 9 mm              |
| L3                    | stripline                         | -                 | [4] (W $\times$ L) 2.4 mm $\times$ 10 mm             |
| L4                    | stripline                         | -                 | [4] (W $\times$ L) 2.4 mm $\times$ 25 mm             |
| L5                    | stripline                         | -                 | [4] (W $\times$ L) 2.4 mm $\times$ 10 mm             |
| L6                    | stripline                         | -                 | [4] (W $\times$ L) 2.0 mm $\times$ 20 mm             |
| L7                    | stripline                         | -                 | [4] (W $\times$ L) 2.0 mm $\times$ 21 mm             |
| L20                   | stripline                         | -                 | [4] (W $\times$ L) 7 mm $\times$ 12 mm               |
| L21                   | stripline                         | -                 | [4] (W $\times$ L) 2.4 mm $\times$ 13 mm             |
| L22                   | stripline                         | -                 | [4] (W $\times$ L) 2.4 mm $\times$ 31 mm             |
| L23                   | stripline                         | -                 | [4] (W $\times$ L) 2.4 mm $\times$ 5 mm              |
| R1                    | resistor                          | 100 $\Omega$      |  |
| R2                    | resistor                          | 10 k $\Omega$     |  |

[1] American technical ceramics type 100B or capacitor of same quality.

[2] American technical ceramics type 180R or capacitor of same quality.

[3] American technical ceramics type 100A or capacitor of same quality.

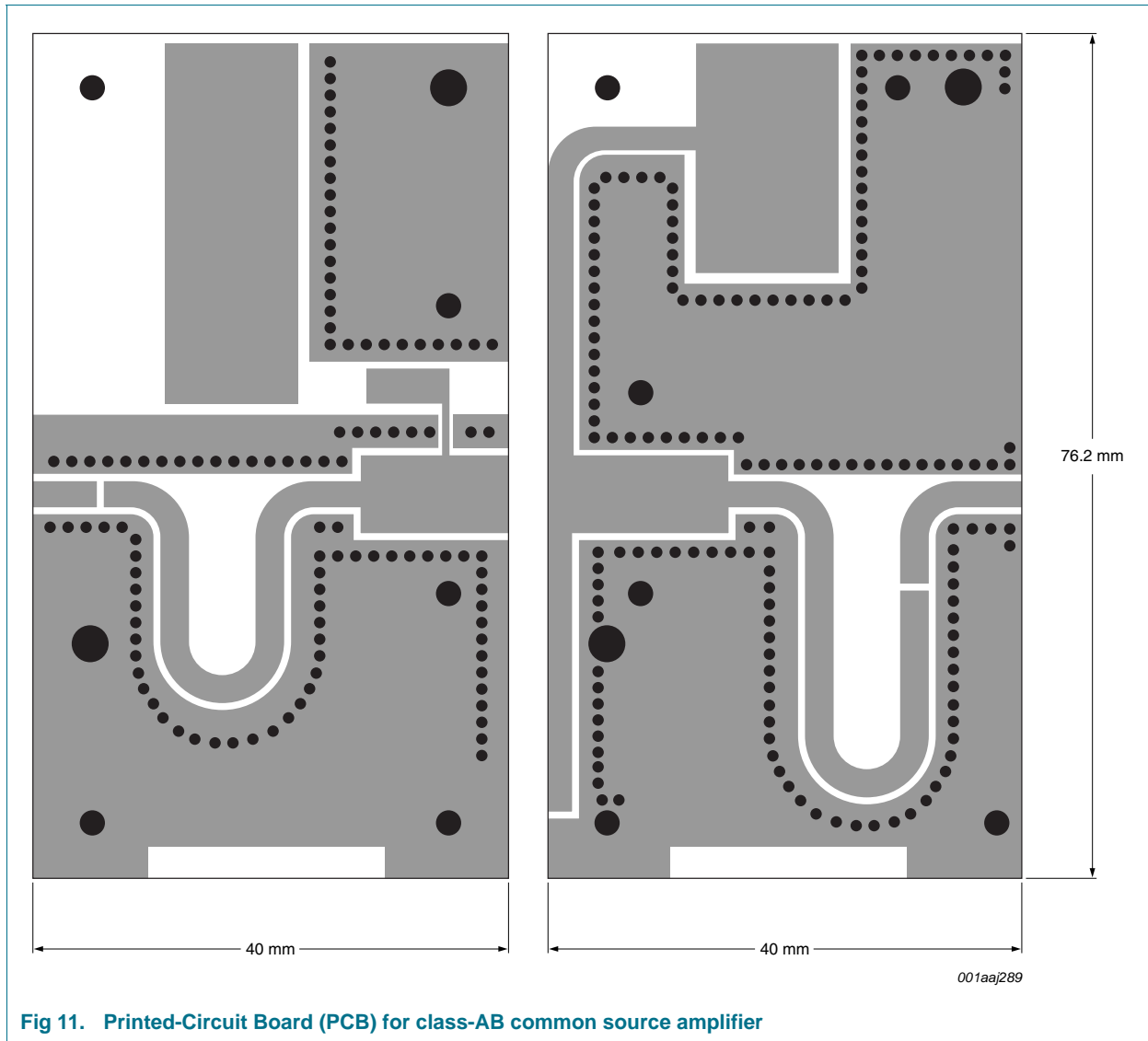
[4] Printed-Circuit Board (PCB): Rogers 5880;  $\epsilon_r = 2.2$  F/m; height = 0.79 mm; Cu (top/bottom metallization); thickness copper plating = 35  $\mu$ m.

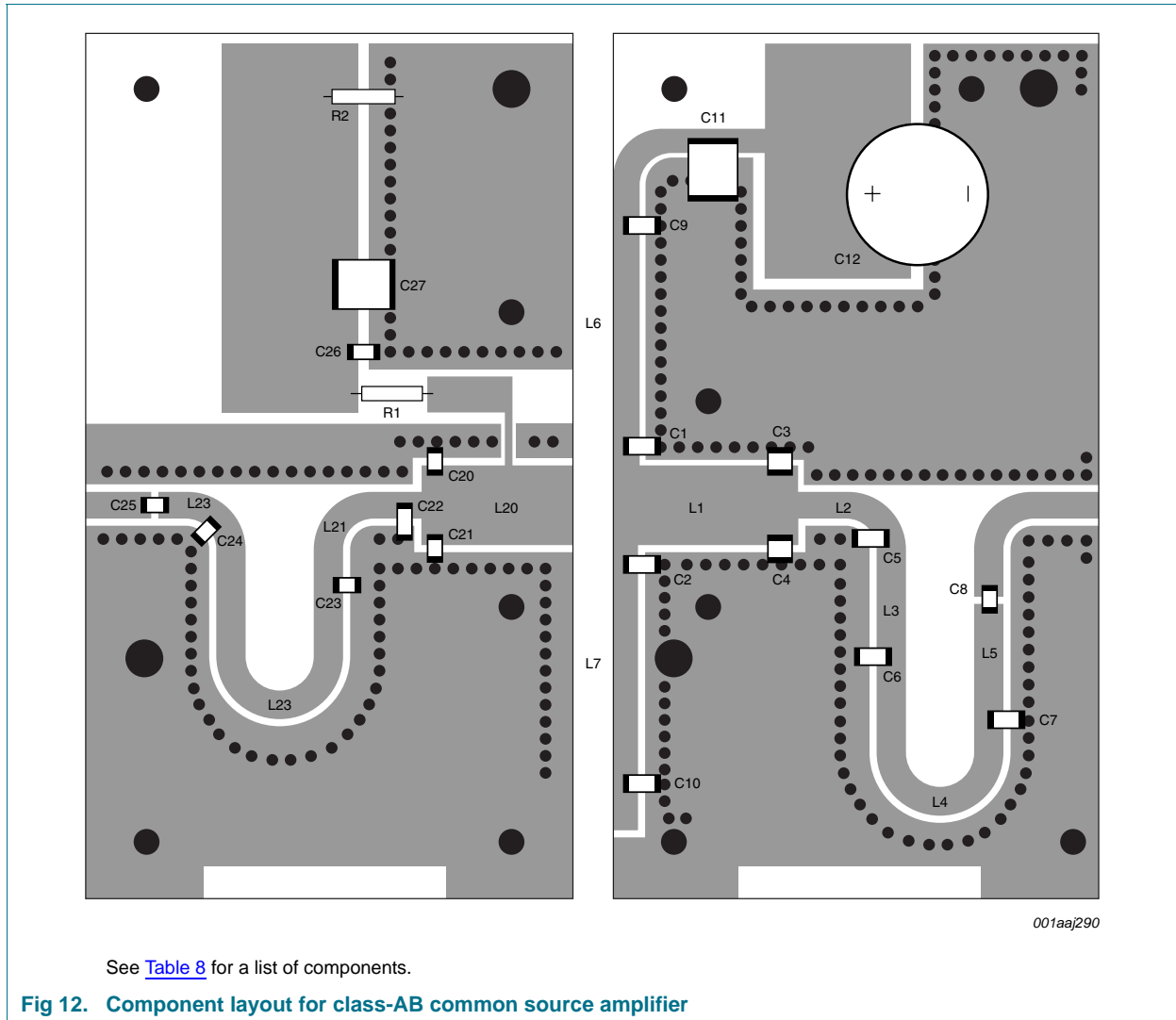


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See [Table 8](#) for a list of components.

**Fig 10. Class-AB common-source broadband amplifier**





**9. Package outline**

Flanged LDMOST ceramic package; 2 mounting holes; 2 leads

SOT467C

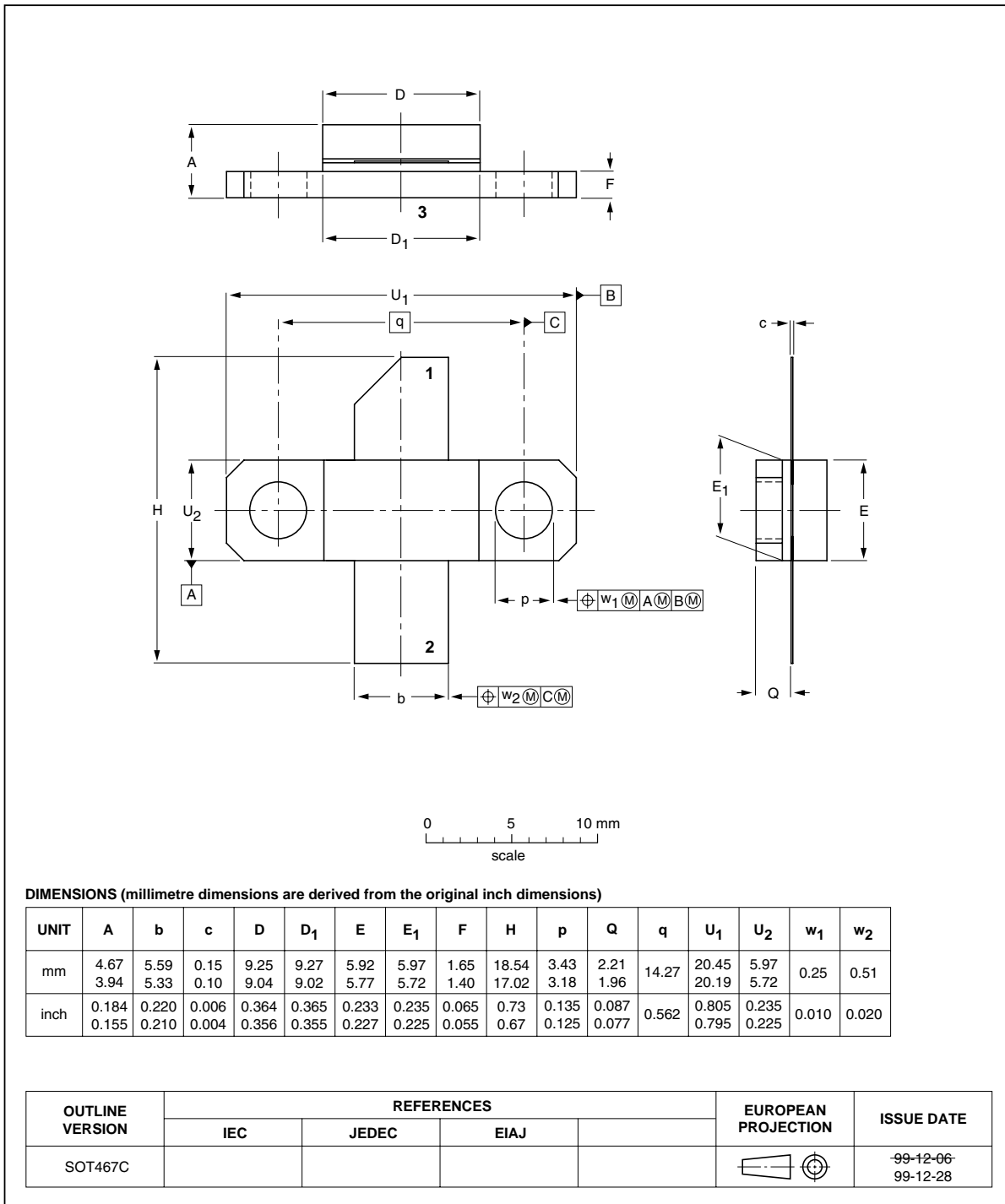


Fig 13. Package outline SOT467C

Earless LDMOST ceramic package; 2 leads

SOT467B

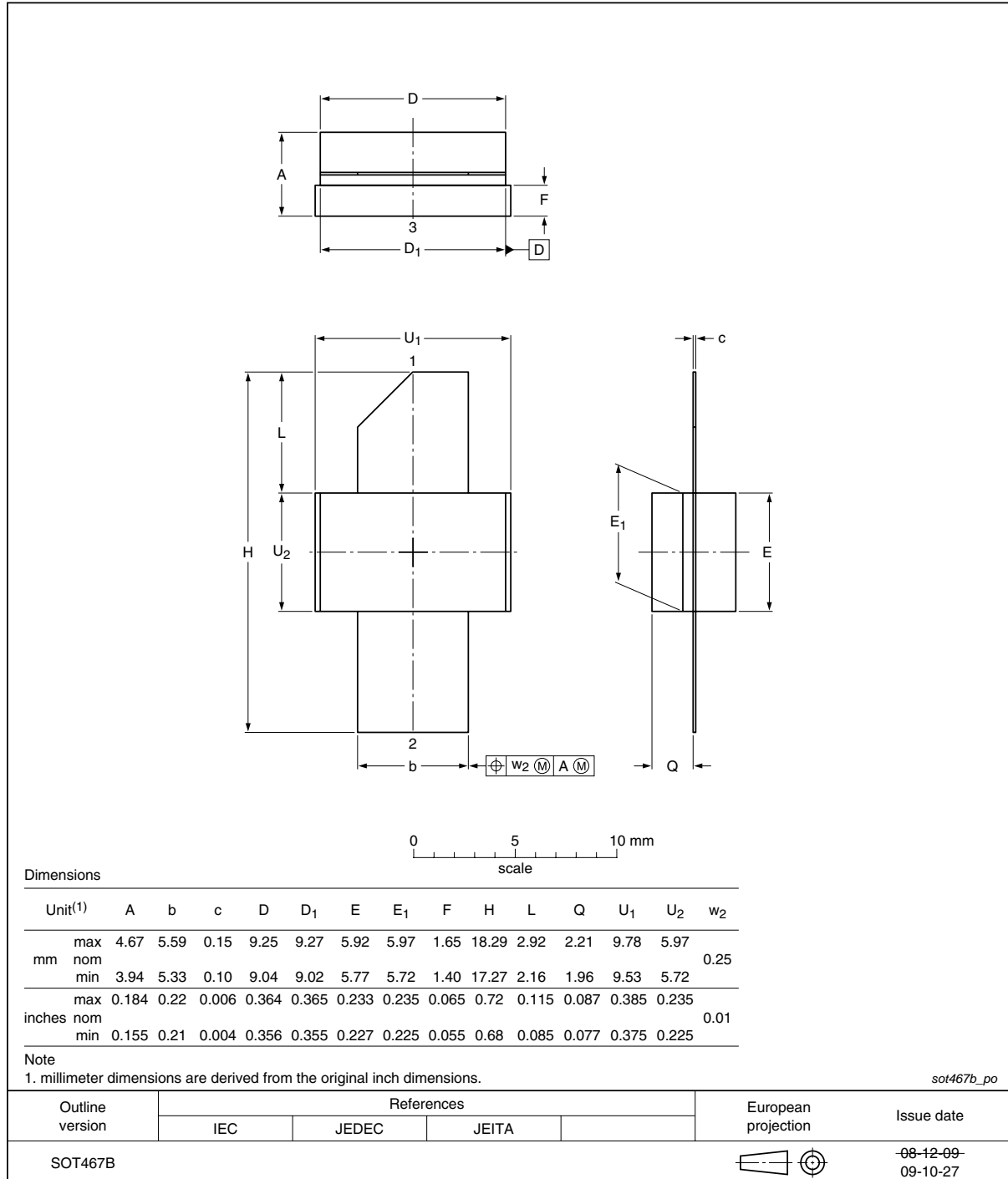


Fig 14. Package outline SOT467B

## 10. Abbreviations

Table 9. Abbreviations

| Acronym | Description   |
|---------|---|
| CW      | Continuous Wave   |
| CCDF    | Complementary Cumulative Distribution Function          |
| DVB     | Digital Video Broadcast                                 |
| DVB-T   | Digital Video Broadcast - Terrestrial                   |
| ESD     | ElectroStatic Discharge                                 |
| HF      | High Frequency  |
| IMD3    | Third order InterModulation Distortion                  |
| LDMOS   | Laterally Diffused Metal-Oxide Semiconductor            |
| LDMOST  | Laterally Diffused Metal-Oxide Semiconductor Transistor |
| OFDM    | Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing              |
| PAR     | Peak-to-Average power Ratio                             |
| PEP     | Peak Envelope Power                                     |
| RF      | Radio Frequency   |
| TTF     | Time To Failure   |
| UHF     | Ultra High Frequency                                    |
| VSWR    | Voltage Standing-Wave Ratio                             |

## 11. Revision history

Table 10. Revision history

| Document ID        | Release date  | Data sheet status      | Change notice | Supersedes         |
|--------------------|---|------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
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| Modifications:     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Table 6 on page 3</a>: In the conditions column of <math>V_{GS(th)}</math> the value of <math>I_D</math> has been changed</li> </ul> |                        |               |                    |
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