The RF Line UHF Power Amplifier

... designed specifically for the Pan European digital 8.0 watt, GSM mobile radio. Other applications exist in standard analog cellular radios. The MHW912 is capable of wide power range control, operates from a 12.5 volt supply and requires only 1.0 mW of RF input power.

- Specified 12.5 Volt Characteristics: RF Input Power — 1.0 mW (0 dBm) RF Output Power — 12.5 W Minimum Gain — 41 dB Harmonics — -30 dBc Max @ 2.0 f₀
- New Biasing and Control Techniques Providing Dynamic Range and Control Circuit Bandwidth Ideal for GSM
- Low Control Current
- 50 Ohm Input/Output Impedances
- Guaranteed Stability and Ruggedness
- Test fixture circuit board photomaster available upon request by contacting RF Tactical Marketing in Phoenix, AZ.



12.5 W 884 to 915 MHz RF POWER AMPLIFIER



CASE 301R-01, STYLE 1

MAXIMUM RATINGS (Flange Temperature = 25°C)

Rating	Symbol	Value	Unit	
DC Supply Voltage	V _{s1, b}	8.5	Vdc	
DC Supply Voltage — With RF Applied/Without RF Applied	V _{s2, 3}	15.6/30	Vdc	
DC Control Voltage	V _{cont}	4.0	Vdc	
RF Input Power	Pin	3.0	mW	
RF Output Power (V _S = 15.6 Vdc)	Pout	14	W	
Operating Case Temperature Range	тс	- 30 to +100	°C	
Storage Temperature Range	T _{stg}	- 30 to +100	°C	

$\textbf{ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS} (V_{s2} = V_{s3} = 12.5 \text{ Vdc}; V_{s1} = V_b = 8.0 \text{ Vdc}; T_C = +25^{\circ}\text{C}, 50 \text{ ohm system, unless otherwise noted})$

Characteristic	;	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
Frequency Range		BW	884	915	MHz
Output Power (P _{in} = 1.0 mW; V _{cont} = 3.0 Vdc)		Pout ₁	12.5	—	W
Output Power, Reduced Voltage ($P_{in} = 1.0 \text{ mW}$; $V_{cont} = 3.0 \text{ Vdc}$; $V_{s1} = V_b = 8.0 \text{ V}$; $V_{s2} = V_{s3} = 10.8 \text{ Vdc}$)		Pout ₂	8.5	_	W
Control Current (P_{out} = 12.5 W; P_{in} = 1.0 mW) (1)	Icont	—	1.0	mA
Current Consumption in 8.0 V Pins (Pout = 12.5 W; Pin = 1.0 mW)		I _{s1} + I _b	—	220	mA
Leakage Current ($P_{in} = 0 \text{ mW}$; $V_{cont} = 0$; $V_{s1} = V_b = 0$)		۱L	—	1.0	mA
Efficiency (P_{out} = 12.5 W; P_{in} = 1.0 mW) (1)	f = 890-915 MHz f = 884-890 MHz	η	35 33	_	%
Input VSWR (P_{out} = 0.03 to 12.5 W; P_{in} = 1.0 m	W) (1)	VSWR _{in}	—	2.0:1	-
Harmonics (P_{out} = 12.5 W; P_{in} = 1.0 mW) (1)	2 f ₀ 3 f ₀	—	_	- 30 - 40	dBc
Noise Power (In 30 kHz Bandwidth, 20 MHz Abo P_{out} = 12.5 W; P_{in} = 1.0 mW) (1)	ve f ₀ ;	—	—	- 70	dBm

NOTE:

1. Adjust V_{cont} for specified P_{out} ; Duty Cycle = 12.5%, Period = 4.6 ms.



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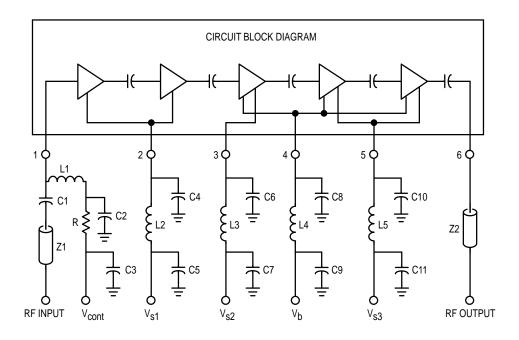
ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS — continued

($V_{s2} = V_{s3} = 12.5$ Vdc; $V_{s1} = V_b = 8.0$ Vdc; $T_C = +25^{\circ}C$, 50 ohm system, unless otherwise noted)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
Isolation (P _{in} = 1.0 mW; V _{cont} = 0 Vdc; V _{s1} = V _b = 0 to 8.0 V)	—	_	- 36	dBm
3.0 dB V _{cont} Bandwidth (P_{in} = 1.0 mW; P_{out} = 0.03 to 12.5 W) (1)	—	1.0	_	MHz
Load Mismatch Stress (V _S = 15.6 Vdc; P _{in} = 3.0 mW; P _{out} = 14 W; Load VSWR = 10:1, All Phase Angles at Frequency of Test) (1)	Ψ	No degradation in output power before and after test		
Stability (V _{S2} = V _{S3} = 10.8 to 15.6 Vdc; P _{in} = 0.5 to 3.0 mW; P _{out} = 12 mW to 12.5 W; Load VSWR = 6:1, All Phase Angles; Source VSWR = 3:1, All Phase Angles at Frequency of Test) (1)	_	All spurious outputs more than 60 dB below desired signal		В

NOTE:

1. Adjust V_{cont} for specified P_{out}; Duty Cycle = 12.5%, Period = 4.6 ms.



PIN DESIGNATIONS:

PIN 1 — RF INPUT POWER @ 0 dBm AND CONTROL VOLTAGE @ 0–3 Vdc PIN 2 — FIRST & SECOND STAGE COLLECTOR SUPPLY VOLTAGE @ 8 Vdc

 $\mathsf{PIN}\,\mathsf{3-THIRD}\,\mathsf{STAGE}\,\mathsf{COLLECTOR}\,\mathsf{VOLTAGE}@\,\mathsf{12.5}\,\mathsf{Vdc}$

PIN 4 — TRICKLE BIAS VOLTAGE @ 8 Vdc

PIN 5 — FOURTH & FIFTH STAGE COLLECTOR SUPPLY VOLTAGE @ 12.5 Vdc

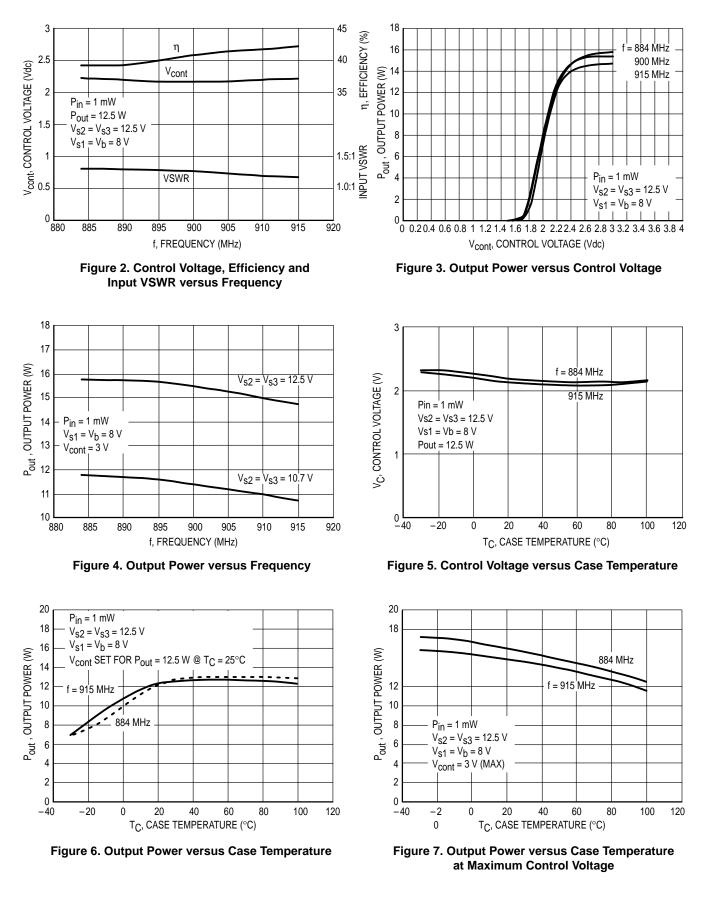
PIN 6 — RF OUTPUT POWER @ 12.5 W

Figure 1. UHF Power Module Test Circuit Diagram

ELEMENT VALUES:

 $\begin{array}{l} C1 = C2 = C4 = C6 = C8 = C10 = 0.018 \ \mu F\\ C3 = C5 = C7 = C9 = C11 = 1 \ \mu F\\ L1 - L4 = 0.29 \ \mu H\\ L5 = 0.2 \ \mu H\\ R = 20 \ OHMS\\ Z1, \ Z2 = 50 \ OHM \ MICROSTRIP \end{array}$

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS



APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

NOMINAL OPERATION

All electrical specifications are based on the nominal conditions of $V_b = V_{S1} = 8.0$ Vdc (Pins 2, 4), and $V_{S2} = V_{S3} = 12.5$ Vdc (Pins 3, 5). With these conditions, maximum current density on any device is 1.5×10^5 A/cm² and maximum die temperature is 165° C. While the modules are designed to have excess gain margin with ruggedness, operation of these units outside the published specifications is not recommended unless prior communications regarding intended use have been made with the factory representative.

GAIN CONTROL

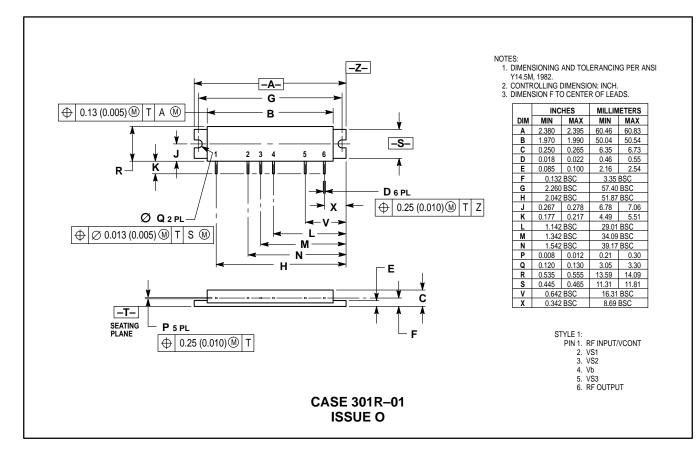
The module output power should be limited to specified value. The preferred method of power control is to fix $V_b = V_{S1} = 8.0$ Vdc (Pins 2, 4), $V_{S2} = V_{S3} = 12.5$ Vdc (Pins 3, 5), Pin (Pin 1) at 1.0 mW, and vary V_{cont} (Pin 1) voltage.

DECOUPLING

Due to the high gain of the five stages and the module size limitation, external decoupling networks require careful consideration. Pins 2, 3, 4, and 5 are internally bypassed with a 0.018 μ F chip capacitor which is effective for frequencies from 5.0 MHz through 940 MHz. For bypassing frequencies below 5.0 MHz, networks equivalent to that shown in Figure 1 are recommended. Inadequate decoupling will result in spurious outputs at certain operating frequencies and certain phase angles of input and output VSWR.

LOAD MISMATCH

During final test, each module is load mismatch tested in a fixture having the identical decoupling networks described in Figure 1. Electrical conditions are $V_b = V_{S1} = 8.0$ V (Pins 2, 4), and $V_{S2} = V_{S3} = 15.6$ Vdc (Pins 3, 5), $P_{in} = 3.0$ mW, VSWR equal to 10:1, and output power equal to 15 watts.



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