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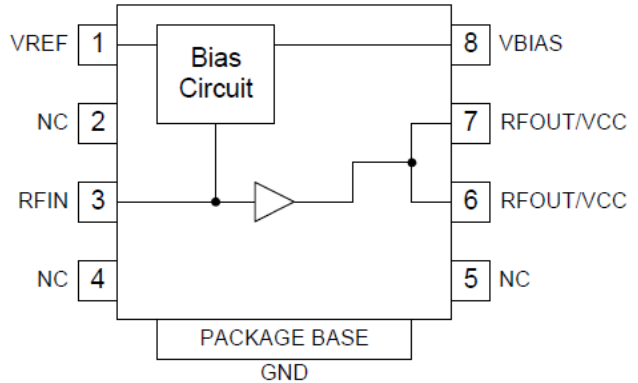


**Features**

- High Linearity: OIP3=49dBm (880MHz)
- Low Noise: NF=3.1dB (2140MHz)
- P1dB>29dBm
- 400MHz to 2700MHz Operation
- Thermally Enhanced Slug Package

**Applications**

- GaAs Pre-Driver for Base Station Amplifiers
- PA Stage for Commercial Wireless Infrastructure
- Class AB Operation for DCS, PCS, UMTS, LTE, and WLAN Transceiver Applications
- 2nd/3rd Stage LNA for Wireless Infrastructure



Functional Block Diagram

**Product Description**

The RFPA3809 is a GaAs HBT linear power amplifier specifically designed for Wireless Infrastructure applications. Using a highly reliable GaAs HBT fabrication process, this high performance single-stage amplifier achieves ultra-high linearity over a broad frequency range. It also offers low noise figure making it an excellent solution for 2nd and 3rd stage LNAs. The RFPA3809 also exhibits excellent thermal performance through the use of a thermally-enhanced plastic surface-mount slug package.

**Ordering Information**

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| RFPA3809SQ      | Sample Bag with 25 pieces                       |
| RFPA3809SR      | 7" Reel with 100 pieces                         |
| RFPA3809TR13    | 13" Reel with 2500 pieces                       |
| RFPA3809PCK-410 | 869MHz to 894MHz PCBA with 5-piece Sample Bag   |
| RFPA3809PCK-411 | 2110MHz to 2170MHz PCBA with 5-piece Sample Bag |

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## Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter                                  | Rating      | Unit |
|--|-------------|------|
| Supply Voltage ( $V_{CC}$ and $V_{BIAS}$ ) | 6.5         | V    |
| Reference Current ( $I_{REF}$ )            | 5           | mA   |
| DC Supply Current ( $I_C$ )                | 768         | mA   |
| CW Input Power, 2:1 Output VSWR            | 26          | dBm  |
| Output Load VSWR at P3dB                   | 5:1         |      |
| Operating Junction Temperature             | 160         | °C   |
| Operating Temperature Range ( $T_L$ )      | -40 to +85  | °C   |
| Storage Temperature                        | -55 to +150 | °C   |
| ESD Rating: Human Body Model               | Class 1B    |      |
| Moisture Sensitivity Level                 | MSL 2       |      |



**Caution!** ESD sensitive device.

Exceeding any one or a combination of the Absolute Maximum Rating conditions may cause permanent damage to the device. Extended application of Absolute Maximum Rating conditions to the device may reduce device reliability. Specified typical performance or functional operation of the device under Absolute Maximum Rating conditions is not implied.

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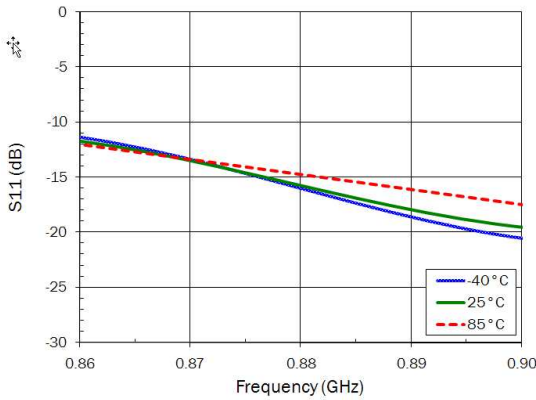
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- Notes: 1. The maximum ratings must all be met simultaneously.  
 2.  $P_{diss} = P_{DC} + P_{RFIN} - P_{RFOUT}$   
 3.  $T_j = T_L + P_{diss} * R_{th}$

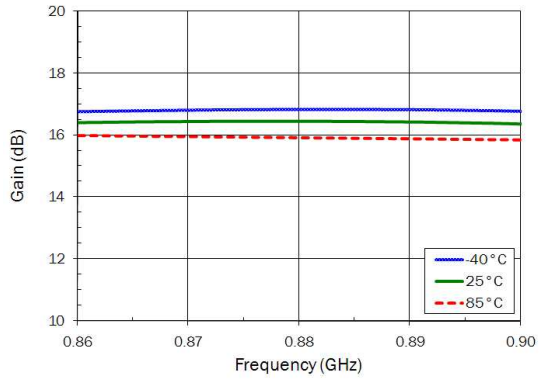
| Parameter                       | Specification |      |      | Unit | Condition                                  |
|---------------------------------|---------------|------|------|------|--|
|                                 | Min.          | Typ. | Max. |      |  |
| <b>869 MHz to 894 MHz</b>       |               |      |      |      |  |
| Frequency                       | 869           | 880  | 894  | MHz  | $V_{CC}=5.0V, V_{BIAS}=5.0V, I_{CQ}=275mA$ |
| Input Power ( $P_{IN}$ )        |               |      | 18   | dBm  | Max recommended, $V_{CC} < 6.0V$           |
| Gain (S21)                      |               | 17   |      | dB   |  |
| OIP3                            |               | 49   |      | dBm  | 15 dBm/tone, tone spacing=1 MHz            |
| P1dB                            |               | 29   |      | dBm  |  |
| Efficiency at P3dB              |               | 58   |      | %    | At P3dB, EVB tuned for linear operation    |
| Input Return Loss (S11)         |               | 16   |      | dB   |  |
| Output Return Loss (S22)        |               | 18   |      | dB   |  |
| Noise Figure                    |               | 3.9  |      | dB   |  |
| WCDMA Ch Power at -65 dBc ACPR  |               | 17   |      | dBm  | 3GPP 3.5, Test Model 1, 64 DPCH            |
| WCDMA Ch Power at -55 dBc ACPR  |               | 19.3 |      | dBm  | 3GPP 3.5, Test Model 1, 64 DPCH            |
| <b>UMTS2100</b>                 |               |      |      |      |  |
| Frequency                       | 2110          | 2140 | 2170 | MHz  | $V_{CC}=5.0V, V_{BIAS}=5.0V, I_{CQ}=275mA$ |
| Input Power ( $P_{IN}$ )        |               |      | 20   | dBm  | Max recommended, $V_{CC} < 6.0V$           |
| Gain (S21)                      |               | 12.4 |      | dB   |  |
| OIP3                            |               | 47   |      | dBm  | 15 dBm/tone, tone spacing=1 MHz            |
| P1dB                            |               | 29   |      | dBm  |  |
| Efficiency at P3dB              |               | 50   |      | %    | At P3dB, EVB tuned for linear operation    |
| Input Return Loss (S11)         |               | 17   |      | dB   |  |
| Output Return Loss (S22)        |               | 15   |      | dB   |  |
| Noise Figure                    |               | 3.1  |      | dB   |  |
| WCDMA Ch Power at -65 dBc ACPR  |               | 16.5 |      | dBm  | 3GPP 3.5, Test Model 1, 64 DPCH            |
| WCDMA Ch Power at -55 dBc ACPR  |               | 19   |      | dBm  | 3GPP 3.5, Test Model 1, 64 DPCH            |
| <b>Power Supply</b>             |               |      |      |      |  |
| Operating Current (Quiescent)   | 230           | 275  | 380  | mA   | At $V_{CC}=5.0V$                           |
| Operating Voltage ( $V_{CC}$ )  |               | 5.0  | 6.0  | V    | Max recommended collector voltage          |
| Thermal Resistance ( $R_{TH}$ ) |               | 38   |      | C/W  | At quiescent current, no RF                |
| Power Down Current              |               |      | 20   | uA   | At $V_{REF}=0V$                            |

**Typical Performance**  
(869MHz to 894MHz Application Circuit)

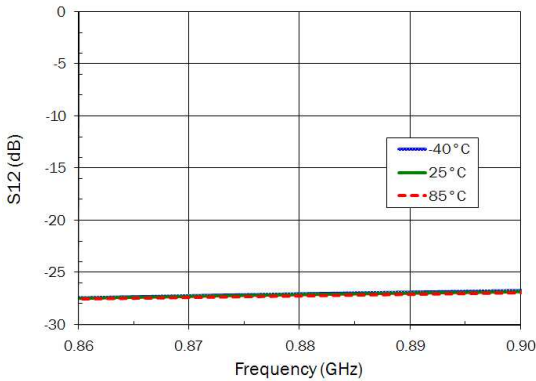
**S11 versus Frequency**



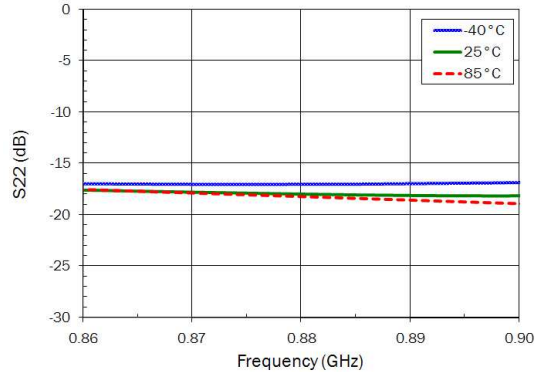
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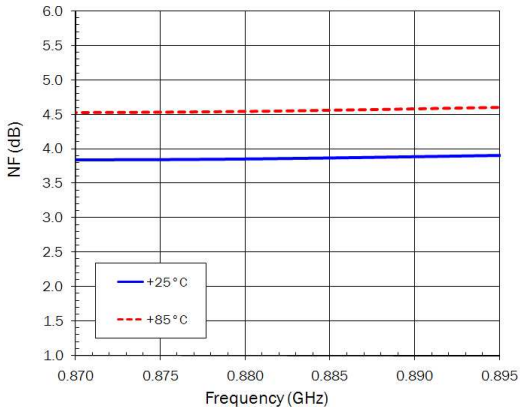
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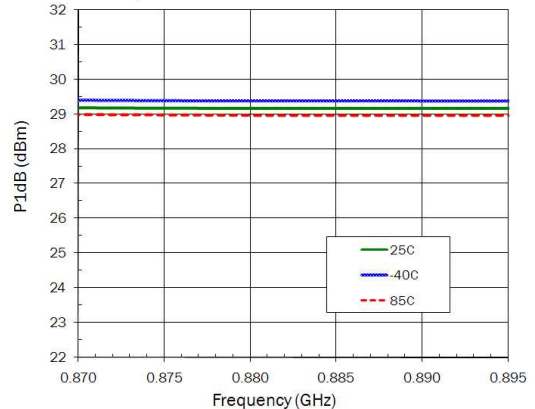
**S22 versus Frequency**



**Noise Figure versus Frequency**

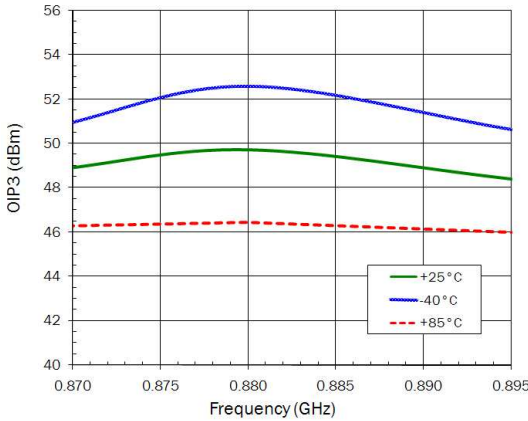


**P1dB versus Frequency**

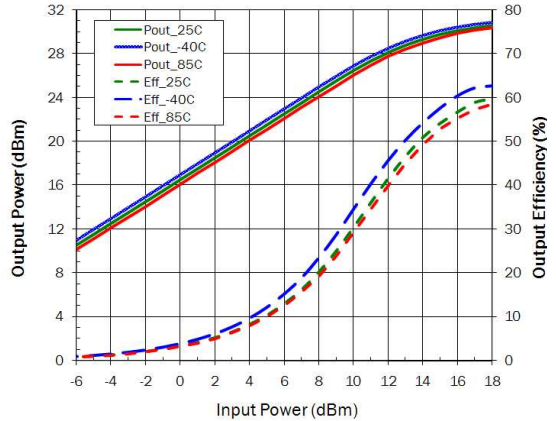


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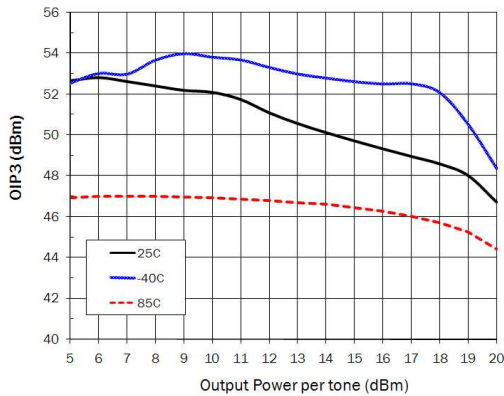
OIP3 vs Freq. (15dBm tones, 1 MHz spacing)



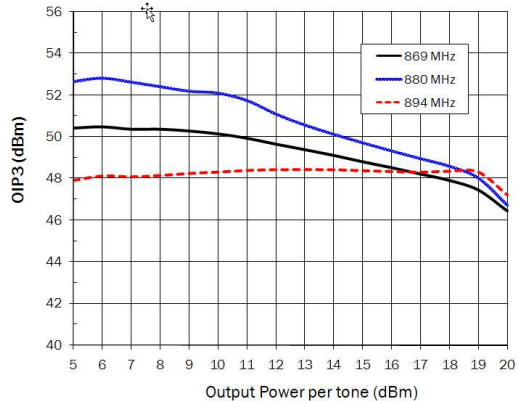
Pout versus Pin @ 880MHz



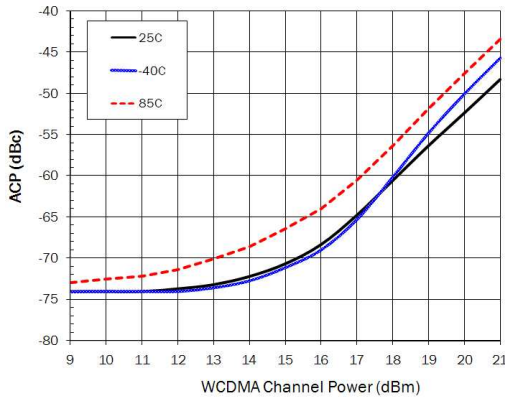
OIP3 vs Tone Power (880MHz, 1 MHz spacing)



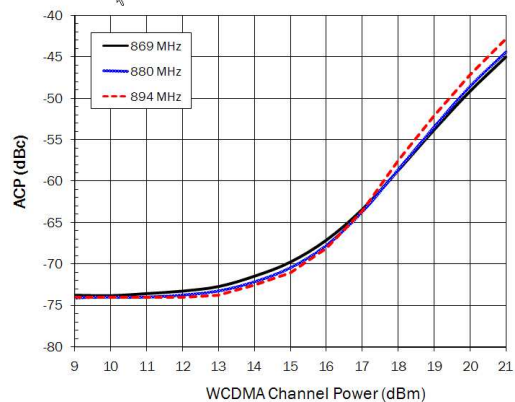
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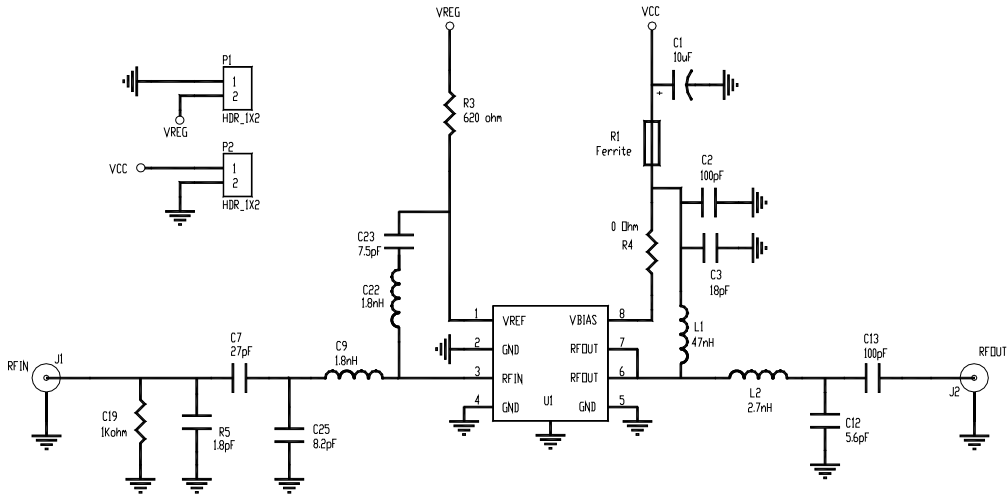
ACP versus WCDMA Channel Power (880MHz)



ACP versus WCDMA Channel Power (25C)



**Evaluation Board Schematic**  
(869MHz to 894MHz Application Circuit)

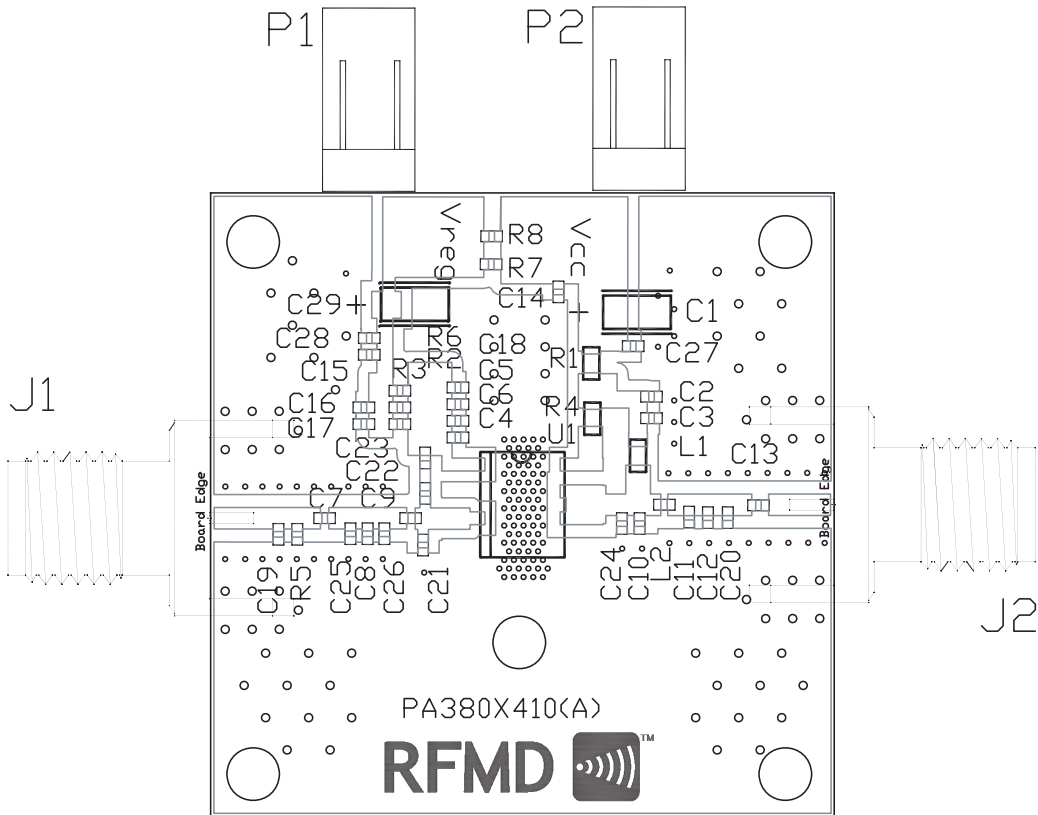


**EVB BOM**

(869MHz to 894MHz Application Circuit)

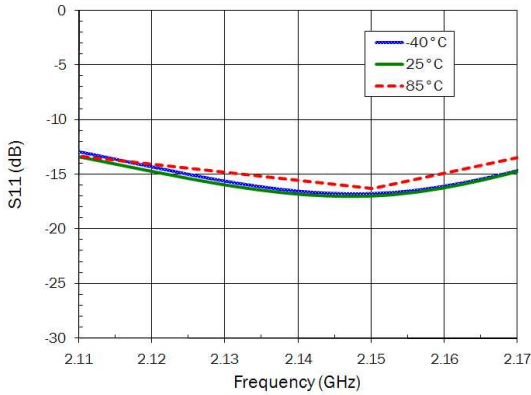
| Description                                 | Reference Designator   | Manufacturer             | Manufacturer's P/N  |
|---|--|--------------------------|---------------------|
| PCB, PA380X410                              |  |                          | PA380X410(A)        |
| CAP, 10 $\mu$ F, 10%, 10V, TANT-A           | C1   | AVX Corporation          | TAJA106K010R        |
| CAP, 100 pF, 5%, 50V, COG, 0402             | C2   | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105CG101JV-F  |
| CAP, 18 pF, 5%, 50V, COG, 0402              | C3   | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105 CG180JV-F |
| CAP, 7.5 pF, $\pm$ 0.5 pF, 50V, COG, 0402   | C23  | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105CG7R5DW    |
| CAP, 1.8 pF, $\pm$ 0.25 pF, 50V, COG, 0402  | R5   | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105CG1R8CW    |
| CAP, 27 pF, 5%, 50V, COG, 0402              | C7   | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105CG270JV-F  |
| CAP, 8.2 pF, $\pm$ 0.5 pF, 50V, COG, 0402   | C25  | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105 CG8R2DV-F |
| CAP, 5.6 pF, $\pm$ 0.25 pF, 50V, HI-Q, 0402 | C12  | Johanson Technology      | 500R07S5R6CV4TD     |
| CAP, 100 pF, 5%, 50V, COG, 0402             | C13  | Murata Electronics       | GRM1555C1H101JZ01D  |
| IND, 47 nH, 5% W/W, 0603                    | L1   | Coilcraft                | 0603HC-47NXJLW      |
| IND, 1.8 nH, $\pm$ 0.3 nH, M/L, 0402        | C9, C22  | Toko America, Inc.       | LL1005-FH1N8S       |
| IND, 2.7 nH, $\pm$ 0.3 nH, M/L, 0402        | L2   | Toko America, Inc.       | LL1005-FH2N7S       |
| CONN. SMA, END, LAUNCH, RND, PIN, 0.062"    | J1, J2   | GIGALANE CO., LTD.       | PAF-S05-008         |
| CONN, HDR, ST, 2-PIN, 0.100"                | P1, P2   | Sullins Electronics      | PBC02SAAN           |
| RFPA3809SB                                  | U1   | RFMD                     | RFPA3809            |
| FER, BEAD, 260 $\Omega$ , 5%, 1/16W, 0402   | R1   | Murata Electronics       | BLM18EG221SN1D      |
| RES, 620 $\Omega$ , 5%, 1/16W, 0402         | R3   | PANASONIC INDUSTRIAL     | ERJ-2GEJ621X        |
| RES, 0 $\Omega$ , 0603                      | R4   | Kamaya, Inc.             | RMC1/16JPTP         |
| RES, 1K, 5%, 1/16W, 0402                    | C19  | Kamaya, Inc.             | RMC1/16S-102JTH     |
| SCREW, 2-56X3/16", SOCKET HEAD              | S1, S2, S3, S4, S5   | McMaster-Carr Supply Co. | 92196A076           |
| Heatsink Block 1.16 sq. in.                 |  | RFMD                     | EEF-102059(B)       |
| DNP   | C4-C6, C8, C10, C11, C14-C18, C20, C21, C24, C26-C29, R2 R6-R8 |                          |                     |

## Evaluation Board Assembly Drawing (869 MHz to 894 MHz Application Circuit)

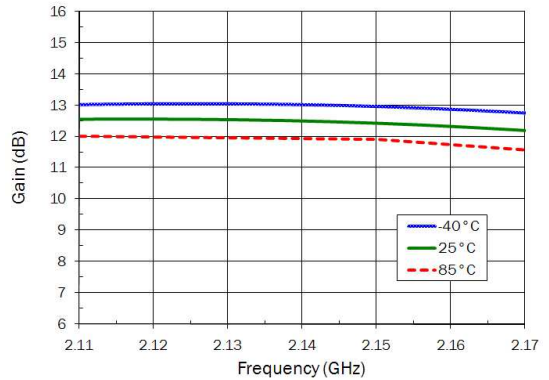


**Typical Performance**  
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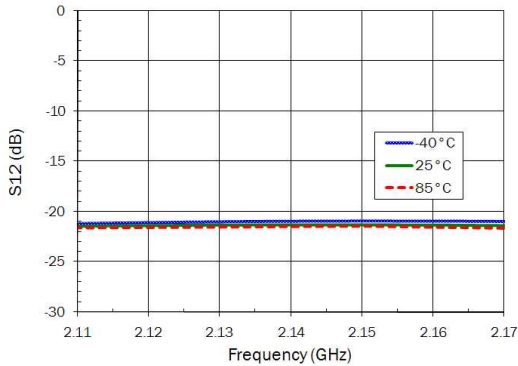
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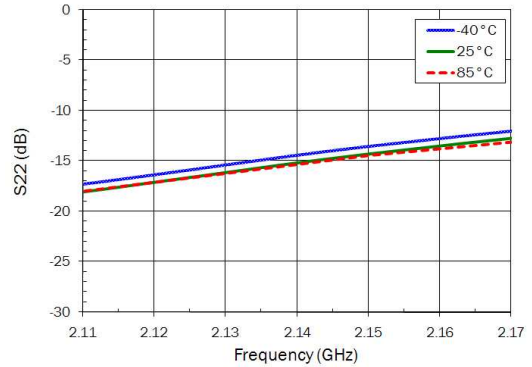
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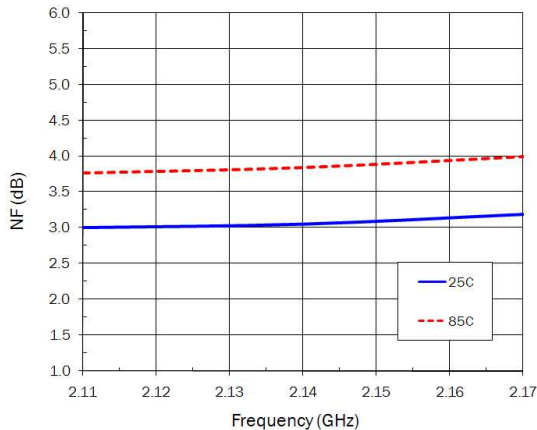
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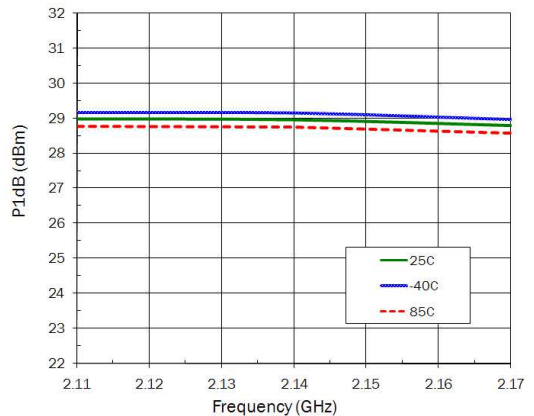
**S22 versus Frequency**



**Noise Figure versus Frequency**



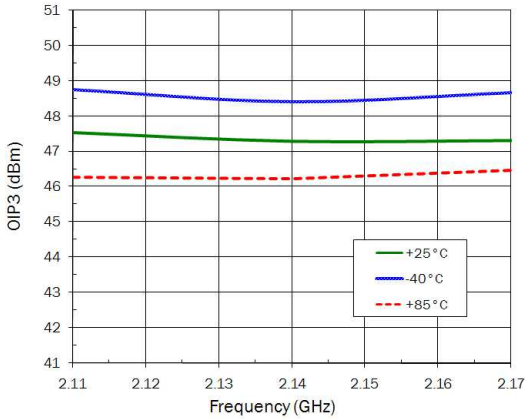
**P1dB versus Frequency**



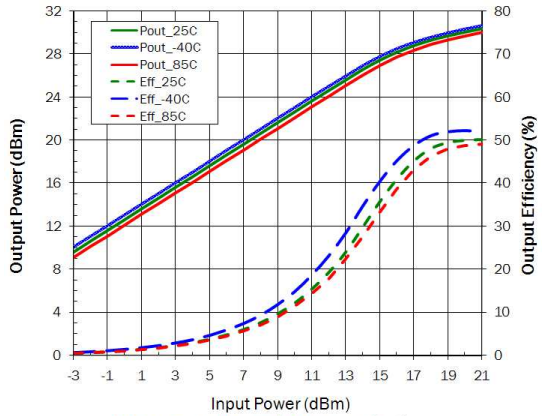


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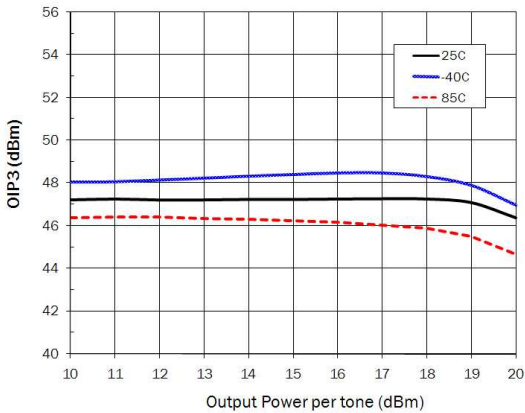
OIP3 vs Freq. (15dBm tones, 1 MHz spacing)



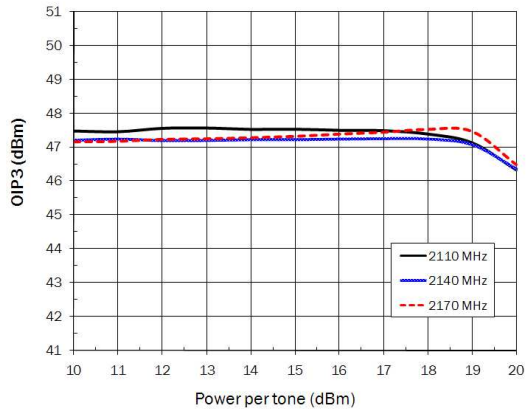
Pout versus Pin @ 2140MHz



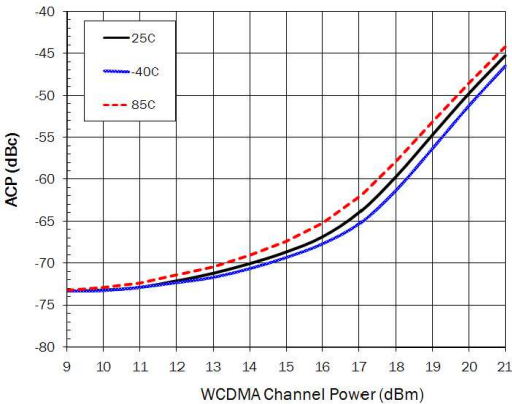
OIP3 vs Tone Power (2140MHz, 1 MHz spacing)



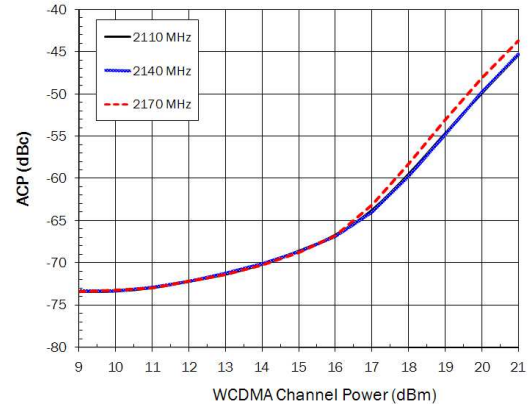
OIP3 vs Tone Power (1MHz spacing)



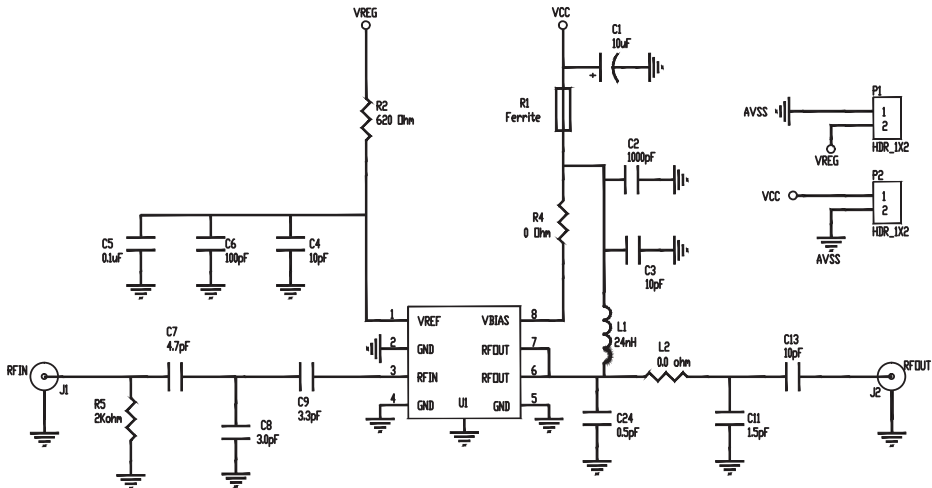
ACP versus WCDMA Channel Power (2140MHz)



ACP versus WCDMA Channel Power



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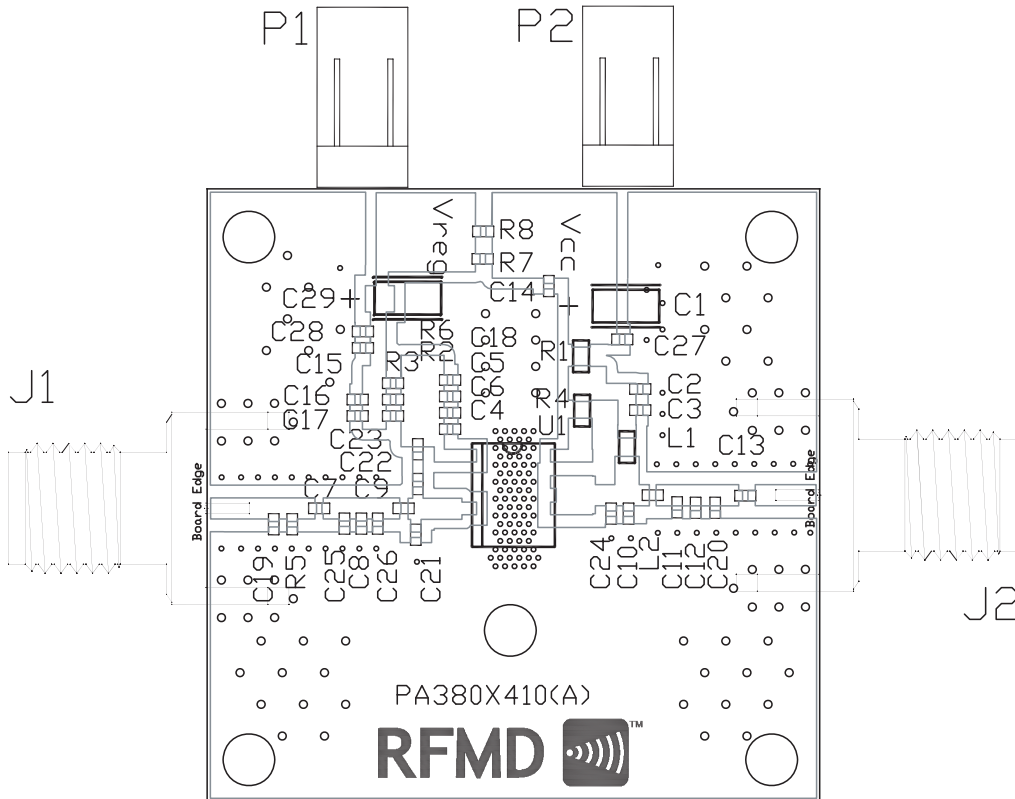


### EVB BOM

(2110MHz to 2170MHz Application Circuit)

| Description                              | Reference Designator                  | Manufacturer             | Manufacturer's P/N |
|--|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| PCB, PA380X410                           |                                       |                          | PA380X410(A)       |
| CAP, 10µF, 10%, 10V, TANT-A              | C1                                    | AVX Corporation          | TAJA106K010R       |
| CAP, 1000pF, 10%, 50V, X7R, 0402         | C2                                    | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105BJ102KV-F |
| CAP, 10pF, 5%, 50V, COG, 0402            | C3, C4, C13                           | Murata Electronics       | GRM1555C1H100JZ01E |
| CAP, 100pF, 5%, 50V, COG, 0402           | C6                                    | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105CG101JV-F |
| CAP, 4.7pF, ±0.1pF, 50V, COG, 0402       | C7                                    | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105CG4R7BW-F |
| CAP, 3pF, ±0.1pF, 50V, COG, 0402         | C8                                    | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105CG030BW-F |
| CAP, 3.3pF, ±0.1pF, 50V, COG, 0402       | C9                                    | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105CG3R3BW-F |
| CAP, 1.5pF, ±0.1pF, 50V, COG, 0402       | C11                                   | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105CG1R5BW-F |
| CAP, 0.1uF, 10%, 16V, X7R, 0402          | C5                                    | Murata Electronics       | GRM155R71C104KA88D |
| CAP, 0.5pF, ±0.1pF, 50V, COG, 0402       | C24                                   | Taiyo Yuden (USA), Inc.  | RM UMK105CG0R5BW-F |
| IND, 24nH, 5%, W/W, 0603                 | L1                                    | Coilcraft                | 0603HC-24NXJLW     |
| RES, 0Ω, 0402                            | L2                                    | Kamaya, Inc              | RMC1/16SJPTH       |
| CONN, SMA, END, LAUNCH, RND, PIN, 0.062" | J1, J2                                | GIGALANE CO., LTD.       | PAF-S05-008        |
| CONN, HDR, ST, 2-PIN, 0.100              | P1, P2                                | Sullins Electronics      | PBC02SAAN          |
| RFPA3809SB                               | U1                                    | RFMD                     | RFPA3809           |
| FER, BEAD, 260Ω, 2A, 0603                | R1                                    | Murata Electronics       | BLM18EG221SN1D     |
| RES, 620Ω, 5%, 1/16W, 0402               | R2                                    | PANASONIC INDUSTRIAL CO  | ERJ-2GEJ621X       |
| RES, 0Ω, 0603                            | R4                                    | Kamaya, Inc              | RMC1/16JPTP        |
| RES, 2K, 5%, 1/16W, 0402                 | R5                                    | Kamaya, Inc              | RMC1/16S-202JTH    |
| SCREW 2-56X3/16", SOCKET HEAD            |                                       | McMaster-Carr Supply Co. | 92196A076          |
| Heatsink Block 1.16 sq. in.              |                                       | RFMD                     | EEF-102059(B)      |
| DNP                                      | C10, C12, C14-C23, C25-C29, R3, R6-R8 |                          |                    |

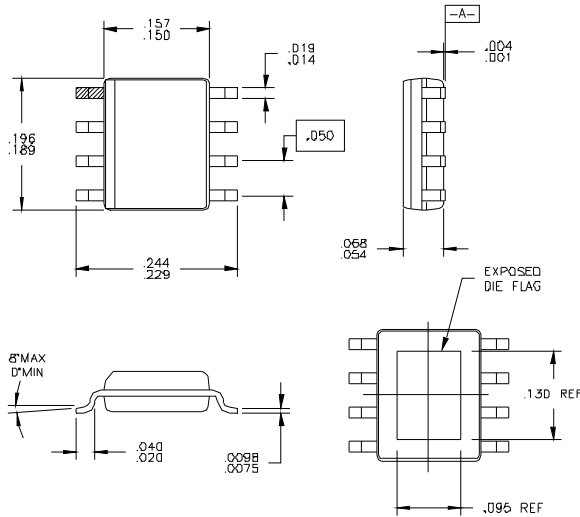
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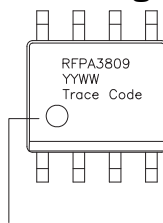
| Pin  | Function   | Description   |
|------|------------|---|
| 1    | VREF       | Control input to the active bias circuit to set $I_{OQ}$ . Can be used as a power-down pin.               |
| 2    | NC         | No connection.  |
| 3    | RF IN      | RF input. External DC block is required.  |
| 4    | NC         | No connection.  |
| 5    | NC         | No connection.  |
| 6    | RF OUT/VCC | RF output, device collector.  |
| 7    | RF OUT/VCC | RF output, device collector.  |
| 8    | VBIAS      | Supply voltage for the active bias circuit.   |
| EPAD | GND        | DC and RF ground. Must be soldered to EVB ground plane over a bed of vias for thermal and RF performance. |

**Package Drawing**

Dimensions in inches (millimeters)



**Branding Diagram**



Pin 1 Indicator

Fill in the YYWW Notation with the Date Code

YY = Year

WW = Week

Trace Code to be assigned by SubCon