

BLF178P

Power LDMOS transistor

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Product data sheet

1. Product profile

1.1 General description

A 1200 W LDMOS power transistor for broadcast applications and industrial applications in the HF to 110 MHz band.

Table 1. Application information

| Test signal | f (MHz) | V _{DS} (V) | P _L (W) | G _p (dB) | η _D (%) |
|-------------|------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| CW | 108 | 50 | 1000 | 26 | 75 |
| pulsed RF | 108 | 50 | 1200 | 28.5 | 75 |

1.2 Features and benefits

- Typical pulsed performance at frequency of 108 MHz, a supply voltage of 50 V and an I_{DQ} of 40 mA, a t_p of 100 μs with δ of 20 %:
 - ◆ Output power = 1200 W
 - ◆ Power gain = 28.5 dB
 - ◆ Efficiency = 75 %
- Easy power control
- Integrated ESD protection
- Excellent ruggedness
- High efficiency
- Excellent thermal stability
- Designed for broadband operation (10 MHz to 110 MHz)
- Compliant to Directive 2002/95/EC, regarding Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)

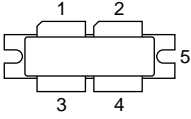
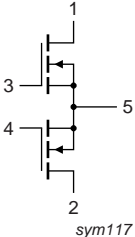
1.3 Applications

- Industrial, scientific and medical applications
- FM transmitter applications



2. Pinning information

Table 2. Pinning

| Pin | Description | Simplified outline | Graphic symbol |
|-----|-------------|---|---|
| 1 | drain1 |  |  |
| 2 | drain2 | | |
| 3 | gate1 | | |
| 4 | gate2 | | |
| 5 | source | | |

[1] Connected to flange.

3. Ordering information

Table 3. Ordering information

| Type number | Package | | |
|-------------|---------|---|---------|
| | Name | Description | Version |
| BLF178P | - | flanged balanced LDMOST ceramic package; 2 mounting holes; 4 leads | SOT539A |

4. Limiting values

Table 4. Limiting values

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

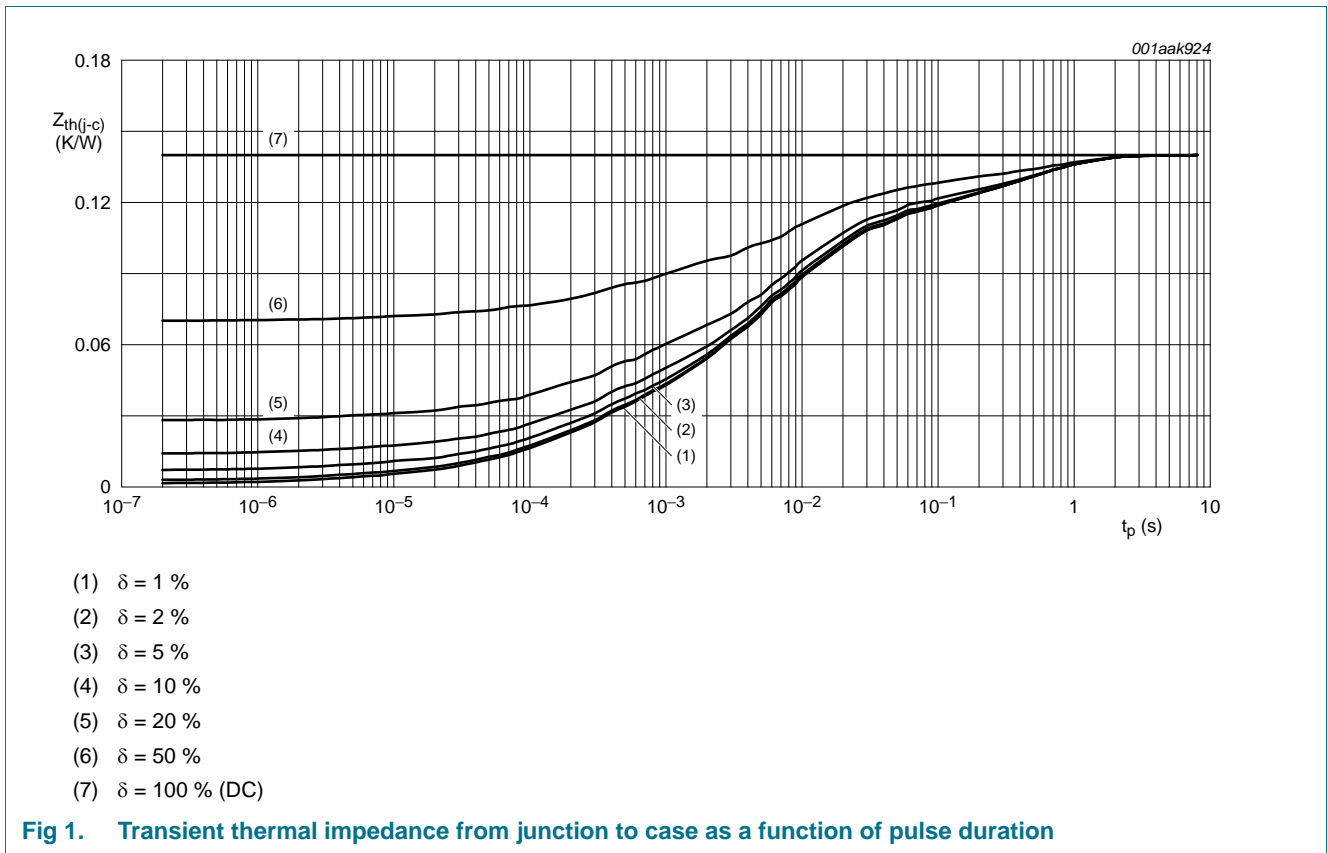
| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Min | Max | Unit |
|-----------|----------------------|------------|------|------|------|
| V_{DS} | drain-source voltage | | - | 110 | V |
| V_{GS} | gate-source voltage | | -0.5 | +11 | V |
| I_D | drain current | | - | 88 | A |
| T_{stg} | storage temperature | | -65 | +150 | °C |
| T_j | junction temperature | | - | 225 | °C |

5. Thermal characteristics

Table 5. Thermal characteristics

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Typ | Unit |
|---------------|---|---|-------------|------|
| $R_{th(j-c)}$ | thermal resistance from junction to case | $T_j = 150\text{ °C}$ | [1][2] 0.14 | K/W |
| $Z_{th(j-c)}$ | transient thermal impedance from junction to case | $T_j = 150\text{ °C}; t_p = 100\text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta = 20\text{ %}$ | [3] 0.04 | K/W |

- [1] T_j is the junction temperature.
- [2] $R_{th(j-c)}$ is measured under RF conditions.
- [3] See [Figure 1](#).



6. Characteristics

Table 6. DC characteristics
 $T_j = 25\text{ °C};$ per section unless otherwise specified.

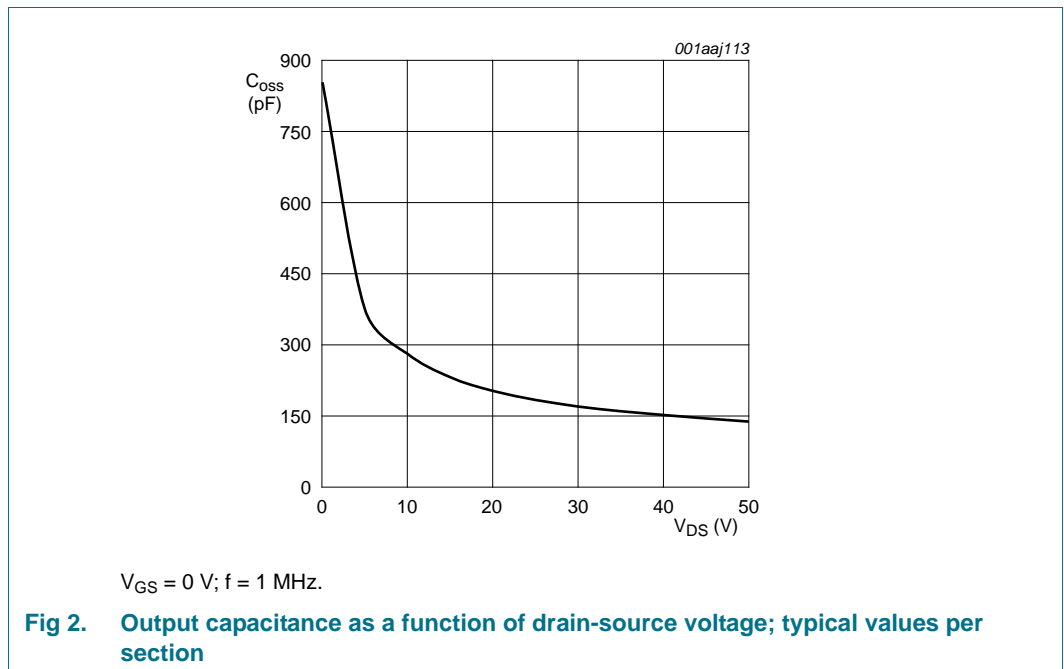
| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|---------------|--------------------------------|---|------|-----|------|---------------|
| $V_{(BR)DSS}$ | drain-source breakdown voltage | $V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}; I_D = 2.5\text{ mA}$ | 110 | - | - | V |
| $V_{GS(th)}$ | gate-source threshold voltage | $V_{DS} = 10\text{ V}; I_D = 500\text{ mA}$ | 1.25 | 1.7 | 2.25 | V |
| V_{GSq} | gate-source quiescent voltage | $V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}; I_D = 20\text{ mA}$ | 0.8 | 1.3 | 1.8 | V |
| I_{DSS} | drain leakage current | $V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}; V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$ | - | - | 2.8 | μA |

Table 6. DC characteristics ...continued
T_j = 25 °C; per section unless otherwise specified.

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----|------|-----|------|
| I _{DSX} | drain cut-off current | V _{GS} = V _{GS(th)} + 3.75 V; V _{DS} = 10 V | 58 | 71 | - | A |
| I _{GSS} | gate leakage current | V _{GS} = 11 V; V _{DS} = 0 V | - | - | 280 | nA |
| R _{DS(on)} | drain-source on-state resistance | V _{GS} = V _{GS(th)} + 3.75 V; I _D = 16.66 A | - | 0.07 | - | Ω |
| C _{rs} | feedback capacitance | V _{GS} = 0 V; V _{DS} = 50 V; f = 1 MHz | - | 3 | - | pF |
| C _{iss} | input capacitance | V _{GS} = 0 V; V _{DS} = 50 V; f = 1 MHz | - | 403 | - | pF |
| C _{oss} | output capacitance | V _{GS} = 0 V; V _{DS} = 50 V; f = 1 MHz | - | 138 | - | pF |

Table 7. RF characteristics
Test signal: pulsed RF; t_p = 100 μs; δ = 20 %; f = 108 MHz; RF performance at V_{DS} = 50 V; I_{Dq} = 40 mA; T_{case} = 25 °C; unless otherwise specified; in a class-AB production test circuit.

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----|------|-----|------|
| G _p | power gain | P _L = 1200 W | 27 | 28.5 | 31 | dB |
| RL _{in} | input return loss | P _L = 1200 W | - | -16 | -12 | dB |
| η _D | drain efficiency | P _L = 1200 W | 71 | 75 | - | % |



6.1 Ruggedness in class-AB operation

The BLF178P is capable of withstanding a load mismatch corresponding to VSWR = 13 : 1 through all phases under the following conditions: V_{DS} = 50 V; I_{Dq} = 40 mA; P_L = 1200 W pulsed; f = 108 MHz.

7. Test information

7.1 Impedance information

Table 8. Typical impedance
Simulated Z_S and Z_L test circuit impedances.

| f | Z_S | Z_L |
|-----|----------------|----------------|
| MHz | Ω | Ω |
| 108 | $3.91 - j3.56$ | $3.59 - j1.73$ |

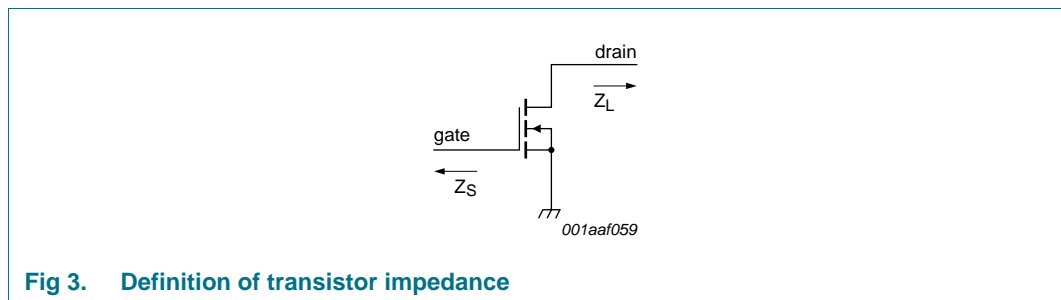
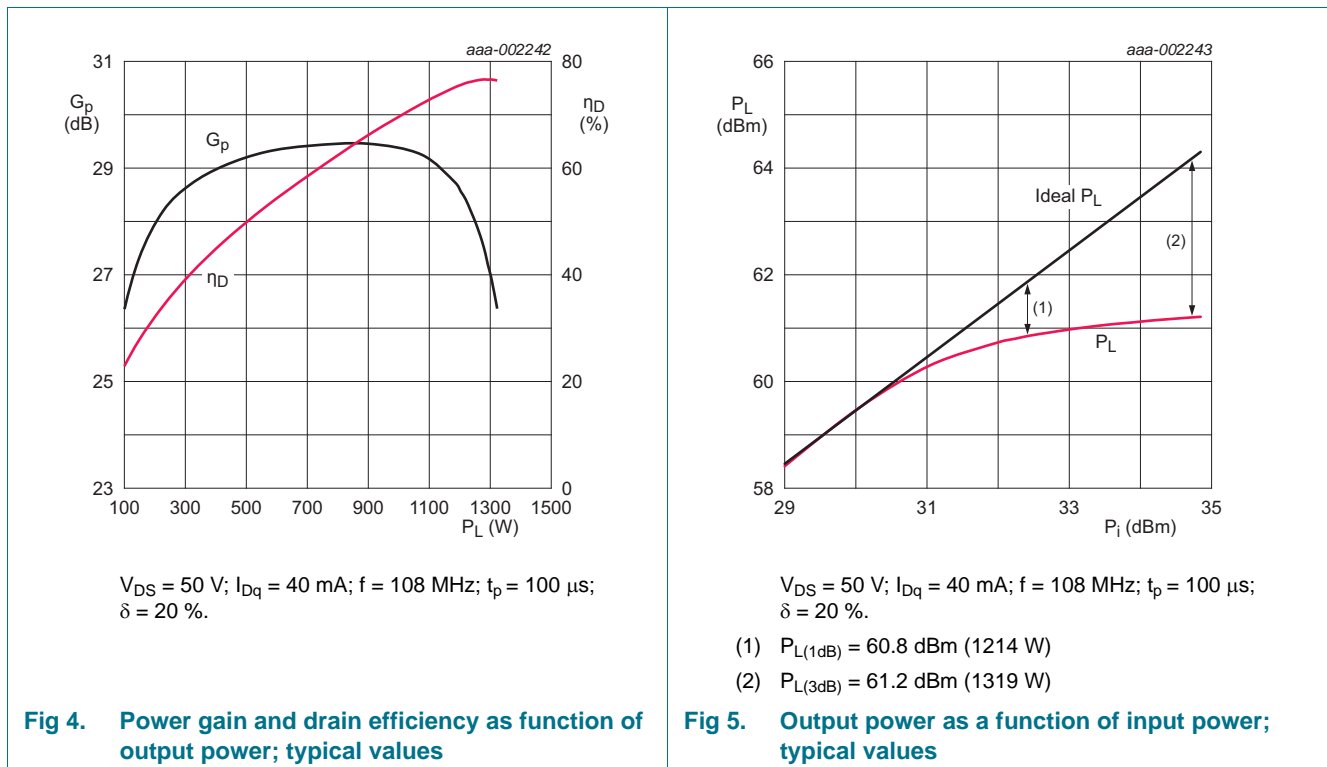


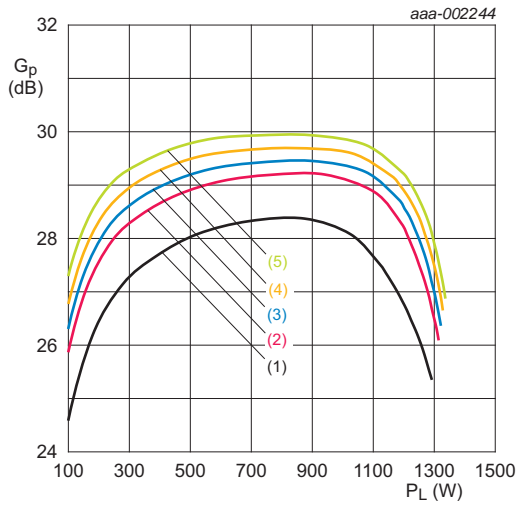
Fig 3. Definition of transistor impedance

7.2 RF performance

The following figures are measured in a class-AB production test circuit.

7.2.1 1-Tone CW pulsed

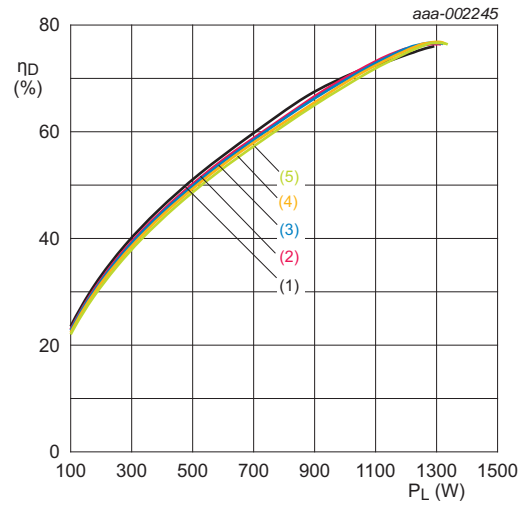




$V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}; f = 108\text{ MHz}; t_p = 100\ \mu\text{s}; \delta = 20\ \%$.

- (1) $I_{Dq} = 0\text{ mA}$
- (2) $I_{Dq} = 20\text{ mA}$
- (3) $I_{Dq} = 40\text{ mA}$
- (4) $I_{Dq} = 80\text{ mA}$
- (5) $I_{Dq} = 160\text{ mA}$

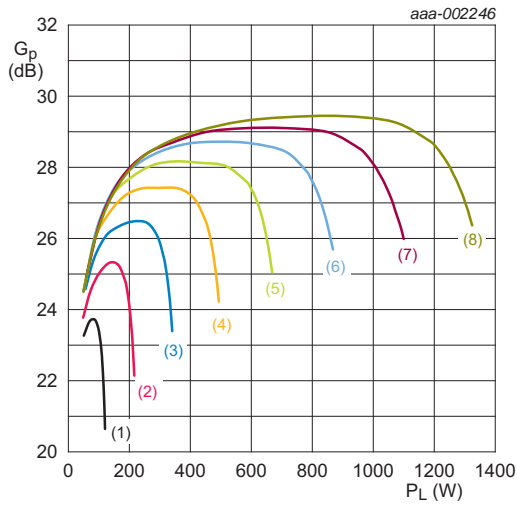
Fig 6. Power gain as a function of output power; typical values



$V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}; f = 108\text{ MHz}; t_p = 100\ \mu\text{s}; \delta = 20\ \%$.

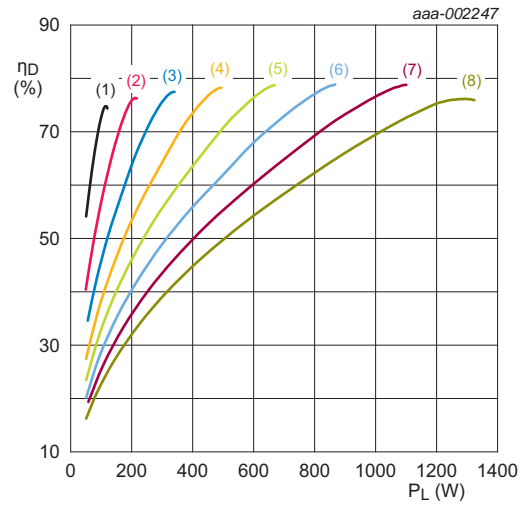
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- (4) $I_{Dq} = 80\text{ mA}$
- (5) $I_{Dq} = 160\text{ mA}$

Fig 7. Drain efficiency as a function of output power; typical values



- $I_{Dq} = 40 \text{ mA}; f = 108 \text{ MHz}; t_p = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta = 20 \text{ } \%$.
- (1) $V_{DS} = 15 \text{ V}$
 - (2) $V_{DS} = 20 \text{ V}$
 - (3) $V_{DS} = 25 \text{ V}$
 - (4) $V_{DS} = 30 \text{ V}$
 - (5) $V_{DS} = 35 \text{ V}$
 - (6) $V_{DS} = 40 \text{ V}$
 - (7) $V_{DS} = 45 \text{ V}$
 - (8) $V_{DS} = 50 \text{ V}$

Fig 8. Power gain as a function of output power; typical values



- $I_{Dq} = 40 \text{ mA}; f = 108 \text{ MHz}; t_p = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta = 20 \text{ } \%$.
- (1) $V_{DS} = 15 \text{ V}$
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 - (3) $V_{DS} = 25 \text{ V}$
 - (4) $V_{DS} = 30 \text{ V}$
 - (5) $V_{DS} = 35 \text{ V}$
 - (6) $V_{DS} = 40 \text{ V}$
 - (7) $V_{DS} = 45 \text{ V}$
 - (8) $V_{DS} = 50 \text{ V}$

Fig 9. Drain efficiency as a function of output power; typical values

7.3 Test circuit

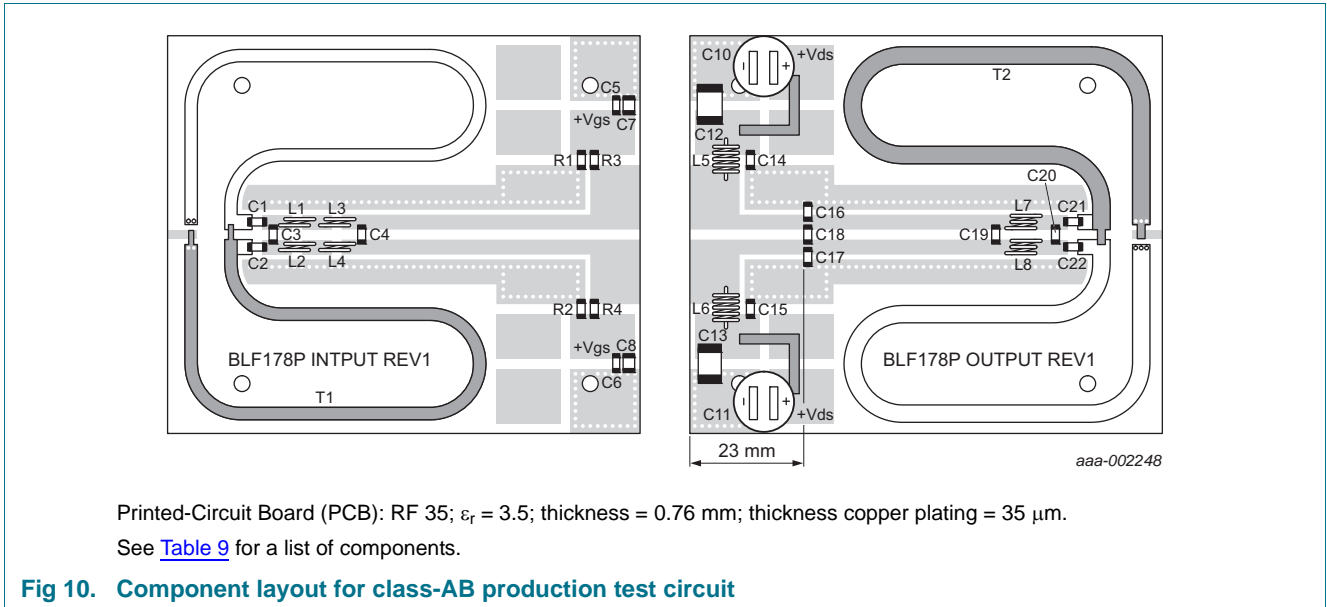


Table 9. List of components

For test circuit see [Figure 10](#).

| Component | Description | Value | Remarks |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| C1, C2, C5, C6, C14, C15, C21, C22 | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 1 nF | [1] |
| C3 | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 82 pF | [1] |
| C4 | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 240 pF | [1] |
| C7, C8 | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 4.7 μF ; 50 V | |
| C10, C11 | electrolytic capacitor | 1000 μF ; 63 V | |
| C12, C13 | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 4.7 μF ; 100 V | |
| C16, C17 | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 120 pF | [1] |
| C18 | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 82 pF | [1] |
| C19 | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 110 pF | [1] |
| C20 | multilayer ceramic chip capacitor | 56 pF | [1] |
| L1, L2, L3, L4 | 1.5 turn 0.8 mm copper wire | D = 3 mm; length = 2 mm | |
| L5, L6 | 5 turn 0.8 mm copper wire | D = 3 mm; length = 4.5 mm | |
| L7, L8 | 2.5 turn 0.8 mm copper wire | D = 3 mm; length = 3 mm | |
| R1, R2 | SMD resistor | 100 Ω | Philips 1206 |
| R3, R4 | SMD resistor | 9.1 Ω | Philips 1206 |
| T1 | semi rigid coax | 25 Ω ; 160 mm | UT-090C-25 |
| T2 | semi rigid coax | 25 Ω ; 160 mm | UT-141C-25 |

[1] American Technical Ceramics type 800B or capacitor of same quality.

8. Package outline

Flanged balanced LDMOST ceramic package; 2 mounting holes; 4 leads

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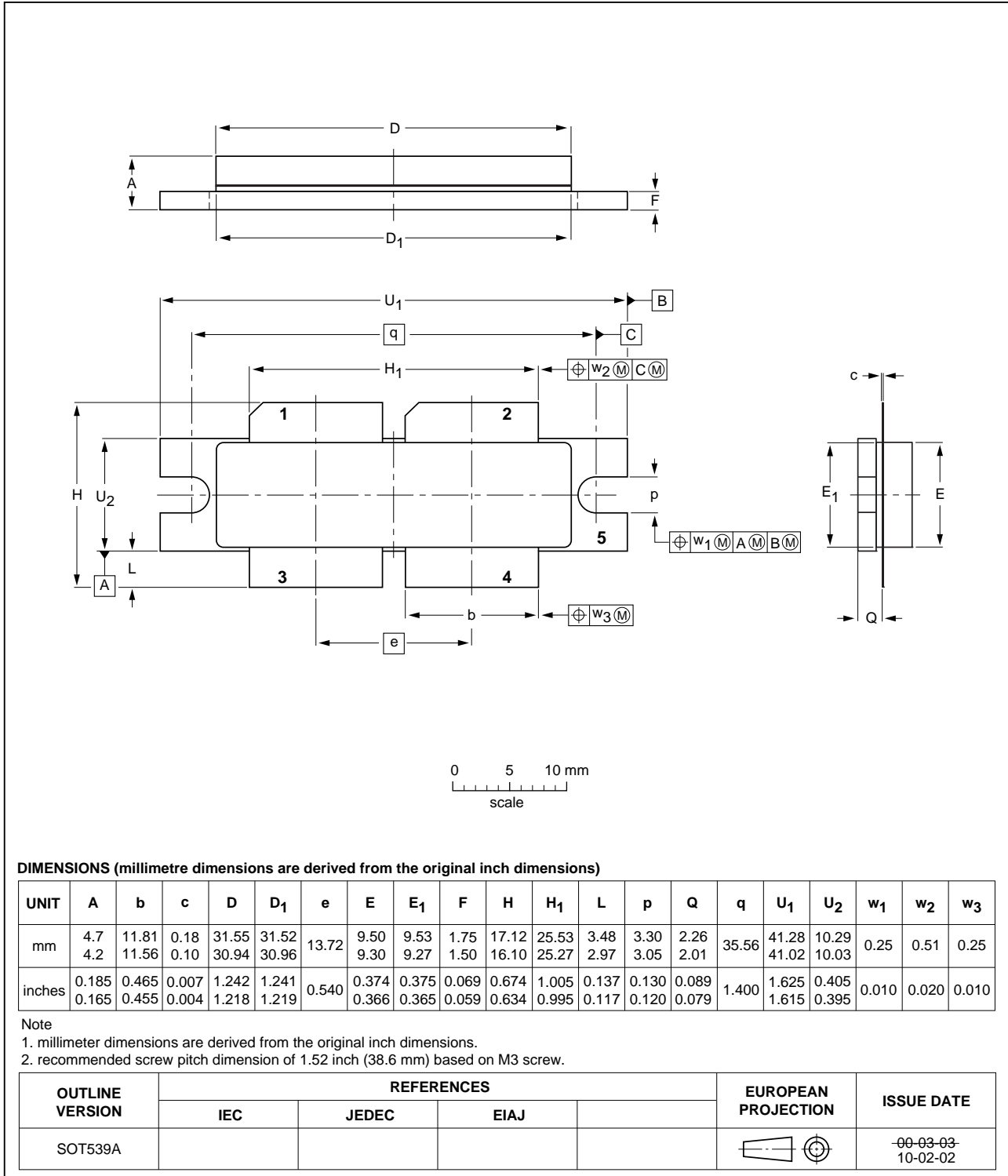


Fig 11. Package outline SOT539A

9. Handling information

CAUTION



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

10. Abbreviations

Table 10. Abbreviations

| Acronym | Description |
|---------|---|
| CW | Continuous Wave |
| DC | Direct Current |
| ESD | ElectroStatic Discharge |
| FM | Frequency Modulation |
| HF | High Frequency |
| LDMOS | Laterally Diffused Metal-Oxide Semiconductor |
| LDMOST | Laterally Diffused Metal-Oxide Semiconductor Transistor |
| RF | Radio Frequency |
| SMD | Surface Mounted Device |
| VSWR | Voltage Standing-Wave Ratio |

11. Revision history

Table 11. Revision history

| Document ID | Release date | Data sheet status | Change notice | Supersedes |
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