

## Features

- Frequency: 15GHz~17GHz
- Small Signal Gain: 20dB
- Output P<sub>-1dB</sub>: 38 dBm
- PAE: 28%
- IM<sub>3</sub>: -24dBc, 30dBm/Tone@16GHz
- Die Size: 3.4mm × 3.57mm × 0.1mm
- Supply Voltage: +7V/-V<sub>g</sub>
- Packaged: Bare Die

## General Description

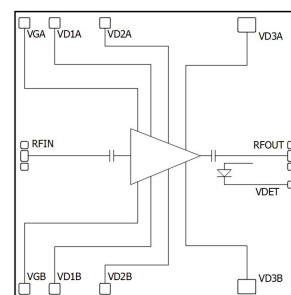
The SAC3133 is a Ku-band GaAs MMIC power amplifier. The SAC3133 provides 20 dB of gain, and 38dBm of output power for 1 dB compression and 28% PAE from +7V supply.

The chip has surface passivation for protection and backside via holes and gold metallization to allow a conductive epoxy die attach process. This device is well suited for communications, Point to Point radio and VSAT applications.

## Typical Applications

- Point-to-Point Radios
- SATCOM
- Military and Space
- Test and Measurement
- Radar

## Functional Diagram



## Electrical Performance (T<sub>A</sub>=25°C, V<sub>D</sub>=+7V, I<sub>DQ</sub>=2.5A, Z<sub>0</sub>=50Ω, CW)

Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Frequency Range	15	—	17	GHz
Small Signal Gain	16	20	—	dB
Small Signal Gain Flatness	—	±1.5	—	dB
Reverse Isolation	—	-65	—	dB
RF Input Port Return Loss	—	-8	—	dB
Power Added Efficiency	—	28	—	%
Output P <sub>-1dB</sub>	37	38	—	dBm
IM <sub>3</sub> *	—	24	—	dBc
Drain Voltage (V <sub>D</sub> )	—	7	—	V
Gate Current	—	2	18	mA
Supply Current(I <sub>D</sub> )***	—	—	4.75	A
Thermal Resistance**	—	3.3	—	°C/W

\* P<sub>out</sub>/Tone= 30dBm, f<sub>c</sub> = 16GHz, Δf = 4MHz

\*\*When p<sub>out</sub> = OP<sub>-1dB</sub>, the thermal resistance is 3.8°C/W when there is no RF power output (100% DC power is dissipated in the device)

\*\*\*Adjust the V<sub>g</sub> voltage ( -1~-0.65V ) so that the I<sub>DQ</sub> is about 2.5A and the typical V<sub>g</sub> voltage is -0.85V

## Absolute Maximum Ratings

Maximum Input Power	+25dBm	Operating Temperature (Backside)	-55°C~+85°C
Channel Temperature	165°C	Storage Temperature	-55°C~+150°C
Maximum V <sub>D</sub>	+8V	V <sub>G</sub> Range	-1.5V~-0.5V

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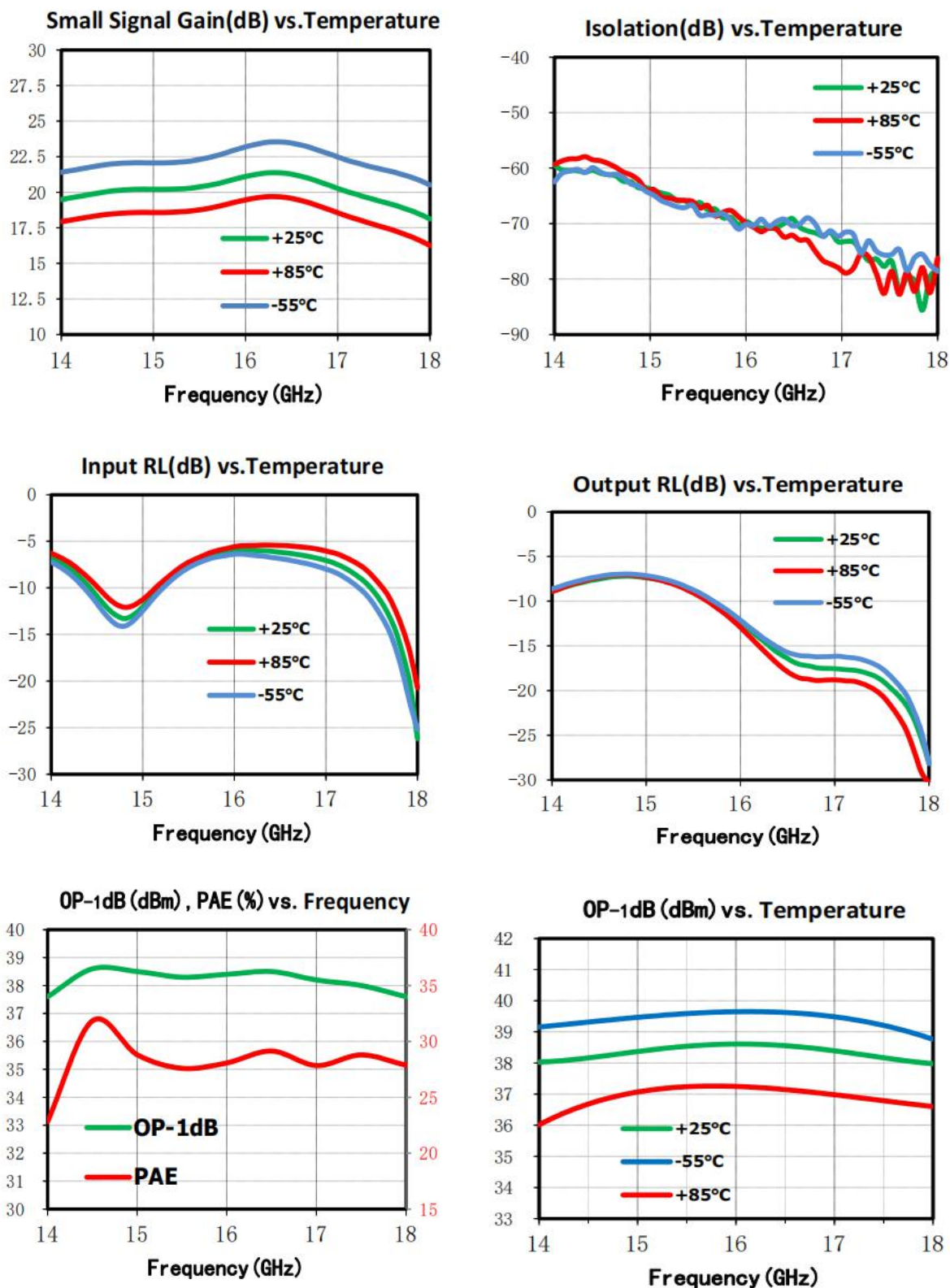
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## Typical Performance Curve

The following data are obtained by using SAC3133 evaluation board test,  $V_D = +7V$ ,  $I_{DQ} = 2.5A$ , working mode CW,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$



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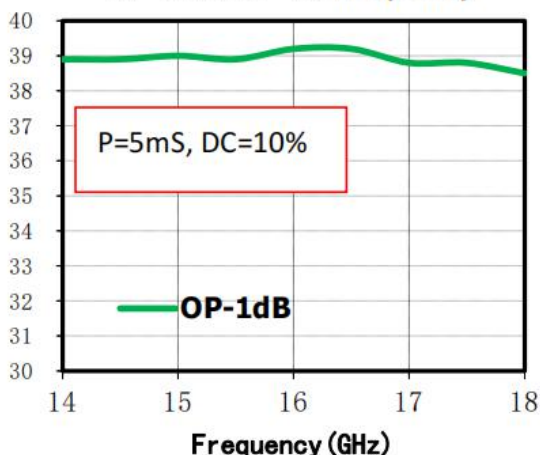
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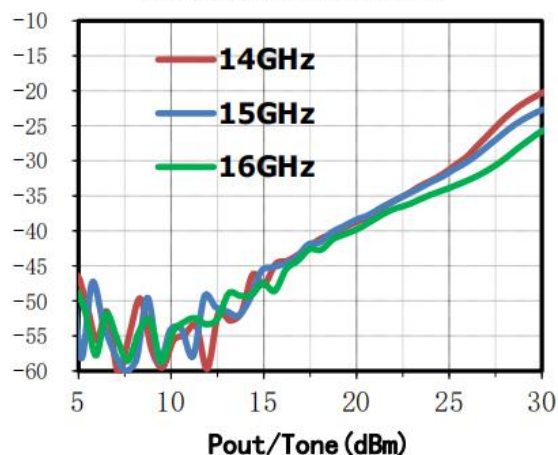
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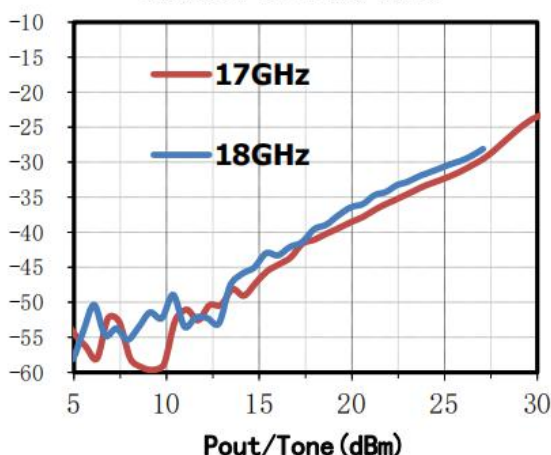
OP-1dB (dBm) vs. Frequency



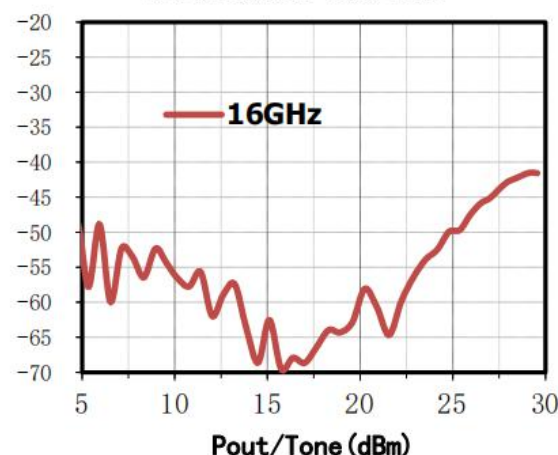
IM3 (dBc) vs. Pout/Tone



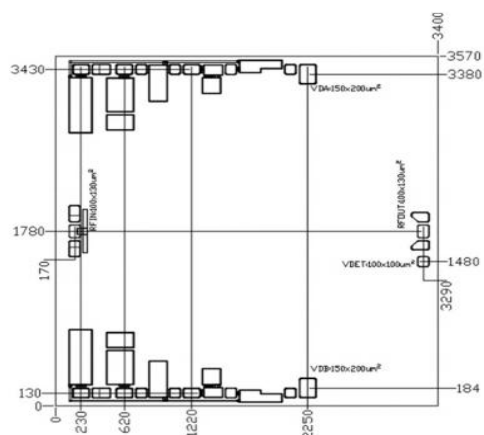
IM3 (dBc) vs. Pout/Tone



IM5 (dBc) vs. Pout/Tone

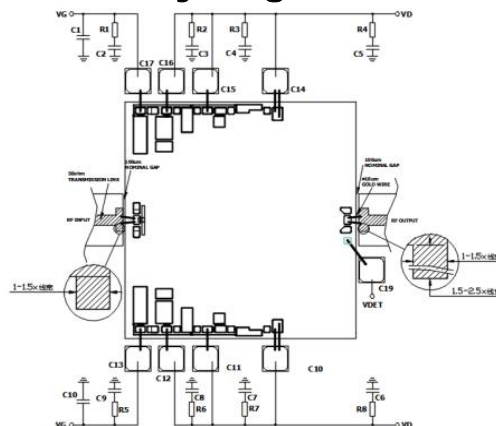


## Die Outline(all dimensions in $\mu\text{m}$ )



VD bonding pad size not marked :  $100 \times 130 \mu\text{m}^2$ ,  $t=100 \mu\text{m}$

## Assembly Diagram



VD<sub>x</sub> and VG<sub>x</sub> need to be fed simultaneously on both sides

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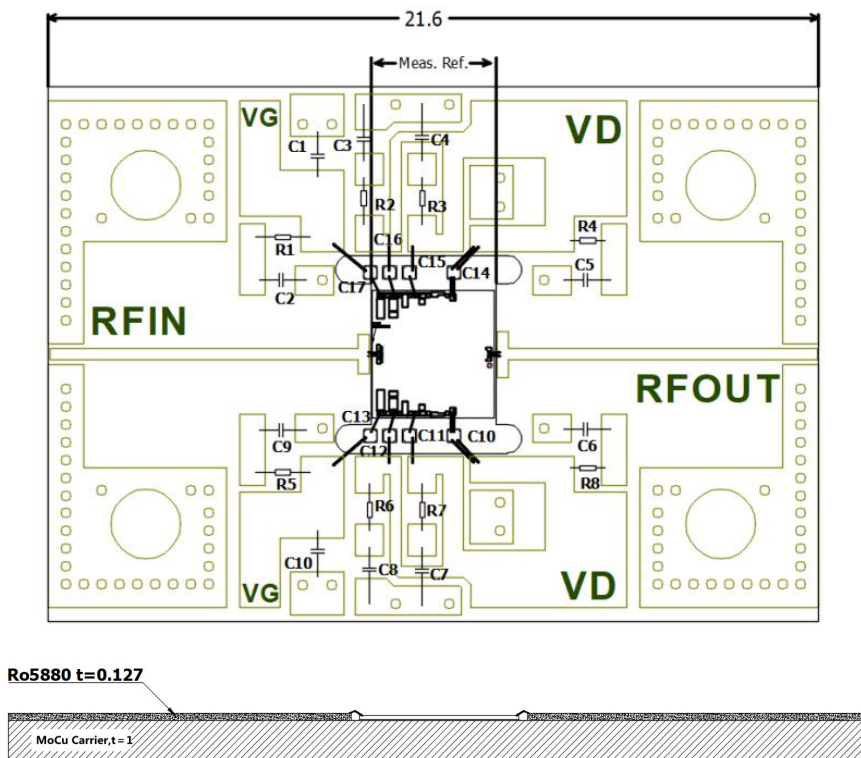
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## Components List

Reference Des.	Value	Part Number	Manuf.	Size
C10~C17、C19	100pF	—	—	SLC
C2~C9	0.47μF	—	—	0603
C1、C10	10μF	—	—	0805
R1~R8	2R2	—	—	0603

## SAC3133 Chip Test Fixture



### Attention:

1. SAC3133 requires drain positive voltage (VDx) and gate negative voltage (VGx) bias, which shall be applied before applying drain positive voltage. Ensure that the grid negative voltage is applied;
2. The length of RF input / output gold wire shall be shortened as much as possible. Diameter 25 is recommended μm gold wire bonding;
3. Vacuum AuSn eutectic welding is recommended, or high thermal conductivity conductive adhesive such as CT2700R7S or EK2000 can be used for bonding;
4. When using drain pulse voltage modulation, ensure that the maximum overshoot voltage does not exceed 8.5V.

### Revision Histor

Revision	Date	Comment
1.0	March 15, 2021	First Release