



# RF Power GaN Transistor

This 45 W RF power GaN transistor is designed for cellular base station applications covering the frequency range of 1800 to 2200 MHz.

This part is characterized and performance is guaranteed for applications operating in the 1800 to 2200 MHz band. There is no guarantee of performance when this part is used in applications designed outside of these frequencies.

## 2000 MHz

- Typical Single-Carrier W-CDMA Performance:  $V_{DD} = 48$  Vdc,  $I_{DQ} = 250$  mA,  $P_{out} = 45$  W Avg., Input Signal PAR = 9.9 dB @ 0.01% Probability on CCDF.

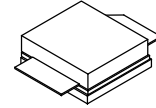
Frequency	$G_{ps}$ (dB)	$\eta_D$ (%)	Output PAR (dB)	ACPR (dBc)	IRL (dB)
1805 MHz	17.6	34.8	6.9	-35.1	-10
1990 MHz	17.9	37.2	7.0	-34.4	-8
2170 MHz	18.2	37.0	6.9	-34.1	-10

## Features

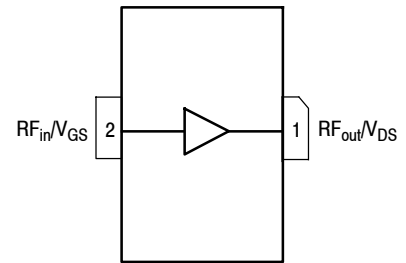
- High terminal impedances for optimal broadband performance
- Designed for digital predistortion error correction systems
- Optimized for Doherty applications

**A3G20S250-01SR3**

**1800–2200 MHz, 45 W AVG., 48 V  
 AIRFAST RF POWER GaN  
 TRANSISTOR**



**NI-400S-2SA**



(Top View)

**Figure 1. Pin Connections**

**Table 1. Maximum Ratings**

Rating	Symbol	Value	Unit
Drain-Source Voltage	$V_{DSS}$	125	Vdc
Gate-Source Voltage	$V_{GS}$	-8, 0	Vdc
Operating Voltage	$V_{DD}$	0 to +55	Vdc
Maximum Forward Gate Current @ $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$	$I_{GMAX}$	24	mA
Storage Temperature Range	$T_{stg}$	-65 to +150	$^\circ\text{C}$
Case Operating Temperature Range	$T_C$	-55 to +150	$^\circ\text{C}$
Operating Junction Temperature Range	$T_J$	-55 to +225	$^\circ\text{C}$
Absolute Maximum Channel Temperature (1)	$T_{MAX}$	275	$^\circ\text{C}$

**Table 2. Thermal Characteristics**

Characteristic	Symbol	Value	Unit
Thermal Resistance by Infrared Measurement, Active Die Surface-to-Case Case Temperature $76^\circ\text{C}$ , $P_D = 78\text{ W}$	$R_{\theta JC}$ (IR)	1.0 (2)	$^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$
Thermal Resistance by Finite Element Analysis, Channel-to-Case Case Temperature $80^\circ\text{C}$ , $P_D = 78\text{ W}$	$R_{\theta CHC}$ (FEA)	1.32 (3)	$^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$

**Table 3. ESD Protection Characteristics**

Test Methodology	Class
Human Body Model (per JS-001-2017)	1C
Charge Device Model (per JS-002-2014)	C3

**Table 4. Electrical Characteristics** ( $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise noted)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
<b>Off Characteristics</b>					
Drain-Source Breakdown Voltage ( $V_{GS} = -8\text{ Vdc}$ , $I_D = 24\text{ mAdc}$ )	$V_{(BR)DSS}$	150	—	—	Vdc
<b>On Characteristics</b>					
Gate Threshold Voltage ( $V_{DS} = 10\text{ Vdc}$ , $I_D = 24\text{ mAdc}$ )	$V_{GS(th)}$	-3.8	-3.0	-2.3	Vdc
Gate Quiescent Voltage ( $V_{DD} = 48\text{ Vdc}$ , $I_D = 250\text{ mAdc}$ , Measured in Functional Test)	$V_{GS(Q)}$	-3.6	-2.9	-2.6	Vdc
Gate-Source Leakage Current ( $V_{DS} = 0\text{ Vdc}$ , $V_{GS} = -5\text{ Vdc}$ )	$I_{GSS}$	-7.5	—	—	mAdc

1. Reliability tests were conducted at  $225^\circ\text{C}$ .

2. Refer to AN1955, *Thermal Measurement Methodology of RF Power Amplifiers*. Go to <http://www.nxp.com/RF> and search for AN1955.

3.  $R_{\theta CHC}$  (FEA) must be used for purposes related to reliability and limitations on maximum channel temperature. MTTF may be estimated by the expression  $MTTF$  (hours) =  $10^{[A + B/(T + 273)]}$ , where  $T$  is the channel temperature in degrees Celsius,  $A = -10.3$  and  $B = 8260$ .

(continued)

**Table 4. Electrical Characteristics** ( $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise noted) (continued)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
<b>Functional Tests</b> <sup>(1)</sup> (In NXP Test Fixture, 50 ohm system) $V_{DD} = 48\text{ Vdc}$ , $I_{DQ} = 250\text{ mA}$ , $P_{out} = 45\text{ W Avg.}$ , $f = 2170\text{ MHz}$ , Single-Carrier W-CDMA, IQ Magnitude Clipping, Input Signal PAR = 9.9 dB @ 0.01% Probability on CCDF. ACPR measured in 3.84 MHz Channel Bandwidth @ $\pm 5\text{ MHz}$ Offset. [See note on correct biasing sequence.]					
Power Gain	$G_{ps}$	16.5	18.2	19.5	dB
Drain Efficiency	$\eta_D$	33.2	37.0	—	%
Output Peak-to-Average Ratio @ 0.01% Probability on CCDF	PAR	6.3	6.9	—	dB
Adjacent Channel Power Ratio	ACPR	—	-34.1	-32.0	dBc
Input Return Loss	IRL	—	-10	-5	dB

**Load Mismatch** (In NXP Test Fixture, 50 ohm system)  $I_{DQ} = 250\text{ mA}$ ,  $f = 1990\text{ MHz}$ , 12  $\mu\text{sec}$ (on), 10% Duty Cycle

VSWR 10:1 at 55 Vdc, 281 W Pulsed CW Output Power (3 dB Input Overdrive from 229 W Pulsed CW Rated Power)	No Device Degradation
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**Typical Performance** (In NXP Test Fixture, 50 ohm system)  $V_{DD} = 48\text{ Vdc}$ ,  $I_{DQ} = 250\text{ mA}$ , 1805–2170 MHz Bandwidth

$P_{out}$ @ 3 dB Compression Point <sup>(2)</sup>	P3dB	—	240	—	W
AM/PM (Maximum value measured at the P3dB compression point across the 1805–2170 MHz bandwidth)	$\Phi$	—	-12	—	°
VBW Resonance Point (IMD Third Order Intermodulation Inflection Point)	VBW <sub>res</sub>	—	170	—	MHz
Gain Flatness in 365 MHz Bandwidth @ $P_{out} = 45\text{ W Avg.}$	$G_F$	—	0.5	—	dB
Gain Variation over Temperature (-40°C to +85°C)	$\Delta G$	—	0.013	—	dB/°C
Output Power Variation over Temperature (-40°C to +85°C)	$\Delta P_{1dB}$	—	0.004	—	dB/°C

**Table 5. Ordering Information**

Device	Tape and Reel Information	Package
A3G20S250-01SR3	R3 Suffix = 250 Units, 32 mm Tape Width, 13-inch Reel	NI-400S-2SA

- Part internally input matched.
- P3dB =  $P_{avg} + 7.0\text{ dB}$  where  $P_{avg}$  is the average output power measured using an unclipped W-CDMA single-carrier input signal where output PAR is compressed to 7.0 dB @ 0.01% probability on CCDF.

**NOTE: Correct Biasing Sequence for GaN Depletion Mode Transistors****Turning the device ON**

- Set  $V_{GS}$  to -5 V
- Turn on  $V_{DS}$  to nominal supply voltage (48 V)
- Increase  $V_{GS}$  until  $I_{DS}$  current is attained
- Apply RF input power to desired level

**Turning the device OFF**

- Turn RF power off
- Reduce  $V_{GS}$  down to -5 V
- Reduce  $V_{DS}$  down to 0 V (Adequate time must be allowed for  $V_{DS}$  to reduce to 0 V to prevent severe damage to device.)
- Turn off  $V_{GS}$

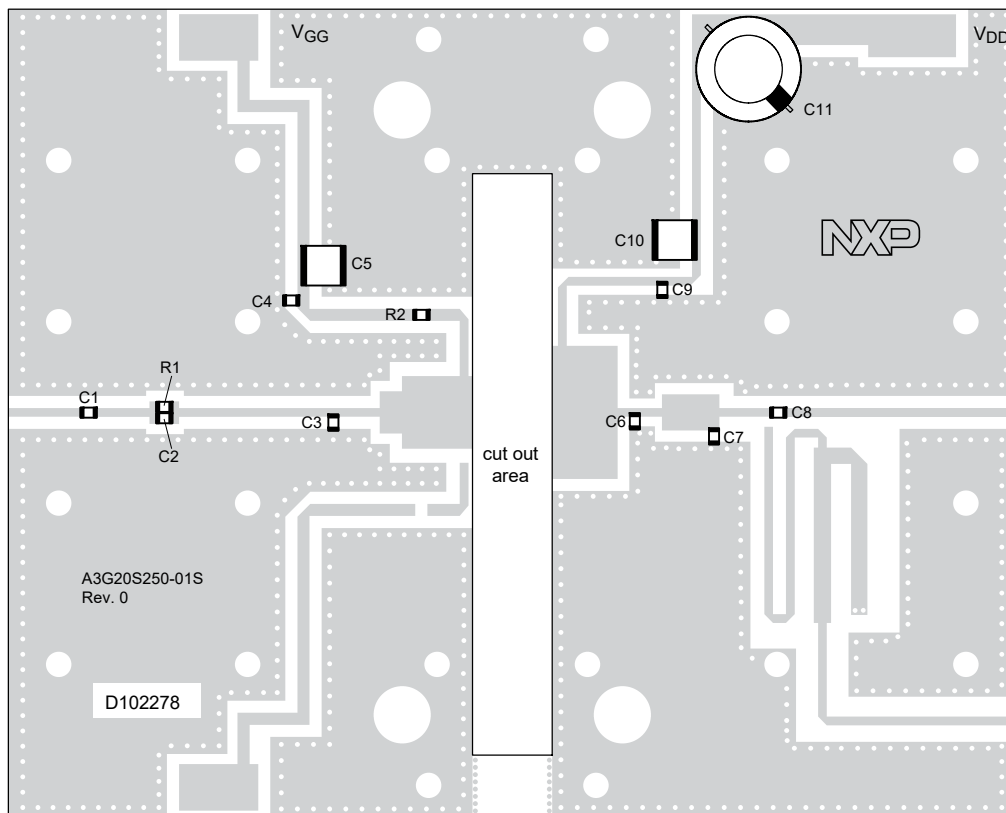
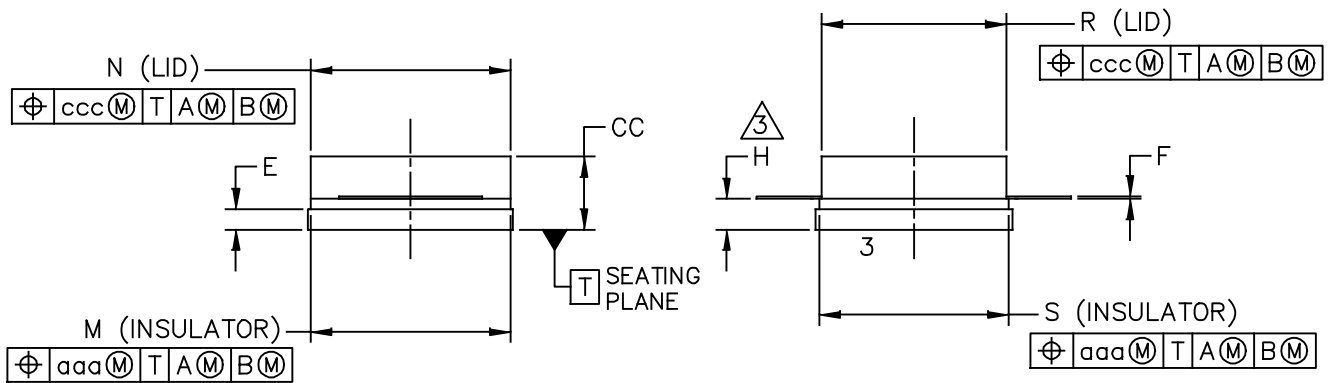
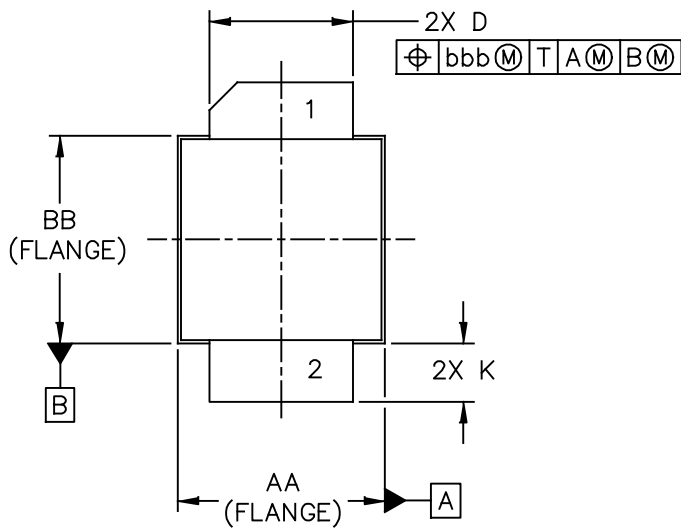


Figure 2. A3G20S250-01SR3 Test Circuit Component Layout

Table 6. A3G20S250-01SR3 Test Circuit Component Designations and Values

Part	Description	Part Number	Manufacturer
C1, C2, C4, C8, C9	10 pF Chip Capacitor	ATC600F100JT250XT	ATC
C3	1.8 pF Chip Capacitor	ATC600F1R8BT250XT	ATC
C5, C10	10 $\mu$ F Chip Capacitor	C5750X7S2A106M230KB	TDK
C6	0.6 pF Chip Capacitor	ATC600F0R6BT250XT	ATC
C7	0.3 pF Chip Capacitor	ATC600F0R3BT250XT	ATC
C11	220 $\mu$ F, 100 V Electrolytic Capacitor	MCGPR100V227M16X26	Multicomp
R1	6.2 $\Omega$ , 1/4 W Chip Resistor	CRCW12066R20FKEA	Vishay
R2	3.3 $\Omega$ , 1/4 W Chip Resistor	CRCW12063R30FKEA	Vishay
PCB	Rogers RO4350B, 0.020", $\epsilon_r = 3.66$	D102278	MTL

## PACKAGE DIMENSIONS



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NOTES:

1. CONTROLLING DIMENSION: INCH
2. INTERPRET DIMENSIONS AND TOLERANCES PER ASME Y14.5M-1994.

3. DIMENSION H IS MEASURED .030 INCH (0.762 MM) AWAY FROM THE FLANGE TO CLEAR THE EPOXY FLOW OUT REGION PARALLEL TO DATUM B.

4. INPUT & OUTPUT LEADS (PIN 1 & 2) MAY HAVE SMALL FEATURES SUCH AS SQUARE HOLES OR NOTCHES FOR MANUFACTURING CONVENIENCE.

BB	INCH		MILLIMETER		DIM	INCH		MILLIMETER	
	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX		MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX
AA	.395	.405	10.03	10.29	aaa	.005		0.13	
DIM	.382	.388	9.70	9.86	bbb	.010		0.25	
CC	.125	.163	3.18	4.14	ccc	.015		0.38	
D	.275	.285	6.98	7.24					
E	.031	.041	0.79	1.04					
F	.004	.006	0.10	0.15					
H	.057	.067	1.45	1.70					
K	.0995	.1295	2.53	3.29					
M	.395	.405	10.03	10.29					
N	.385	.395	9.78	10.03					
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## PRODUCT DOCUMENTATION, SOFTWARE AND TOOLS

Refer to the following resources to aid your design process.

### Application Notes

- AN1908: Solder Reflow Attach Method for High Power RF Devices in Air Cavity Packages
- AN1955: Thermal Measurement Methodology of RF Power Amplifiers

### Engineering Bulletins

- EB212: Using Data Sheet Impedances for RF LDMOS Devices

### Software

- .s2p File

### Development Tools

- Printed Circuit Boards

### To Download Resources Specific to a Given Part Number:

1. Go to <http://www.nxp.com/RF>
2. Search by part number
3. Click part number link
4. Choose the desired resource from the drop down menu

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