The RF MOSFET Line

Power Field-Effect Transistor

N–Channel Enhancement–Mode

MRF275G

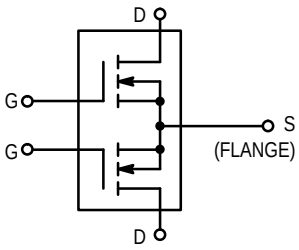
150 W, 28 V, 500 MHz
N–CHANNEL MOS
BROADBAND
100 – 500 MHz
RF POWER FET

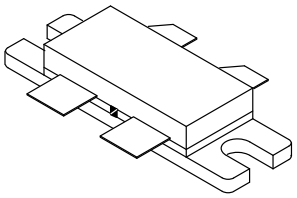
Designed primarily for wideband large–signal output and driver stages from 100 – 500 MHz.

- Guaranteed Performance @ 500 MHz, 28 Vdc
  - Output Power — 150 Watts
  - Power Gain — 10 dB (Min)
  - Efficiency — 50% (Min)
  - 100% Tested for Load Mismatch at all Phase Angles with VSWR 30:1
- Overall Lower Capacitance @ 28 V
  - C_{iss} — 135 pF
  - C_{oss} — 140 pF
  - C_{rss} — 17 pF
- Simplified AVC, ALC and Modulation

Typical data for power amplifiers in industrial and commercial applications:

- Typical Performance @ 400 MHz, 28 Vdc
  - Output Power — 150 Watts
  - Power Gain — 12.5 dB
  - Efficiency — 60%
- Typical Performance @ 225 MHz, 28 Vdc
  - Output Power — 200 Watts
  - Power Gain — 15 dB
  - Efficiency — 65%





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MAXIMUM RATINGS

Rating	Symbol	Value	Unit
Drain–Source Voltage	V_{DSS}	65	Vdc
Drain–Gate Voltage (R_{GS} = 1.0 MΩ)	V_{DGR}	65	Vdc
Gate–Source Voltage	V_{GS}	±40	Adc
Drain Current — Continuous	I_D	26	Adc
Total Device Dissipation @ T_C = 25°C Derate above 25°C	P_D	400 2.27	Watts W/°C
Storage Temperature Range	T_{stg}	–65 to +150	°C
Operating Junction Temperature	T_J	200	°C

THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS

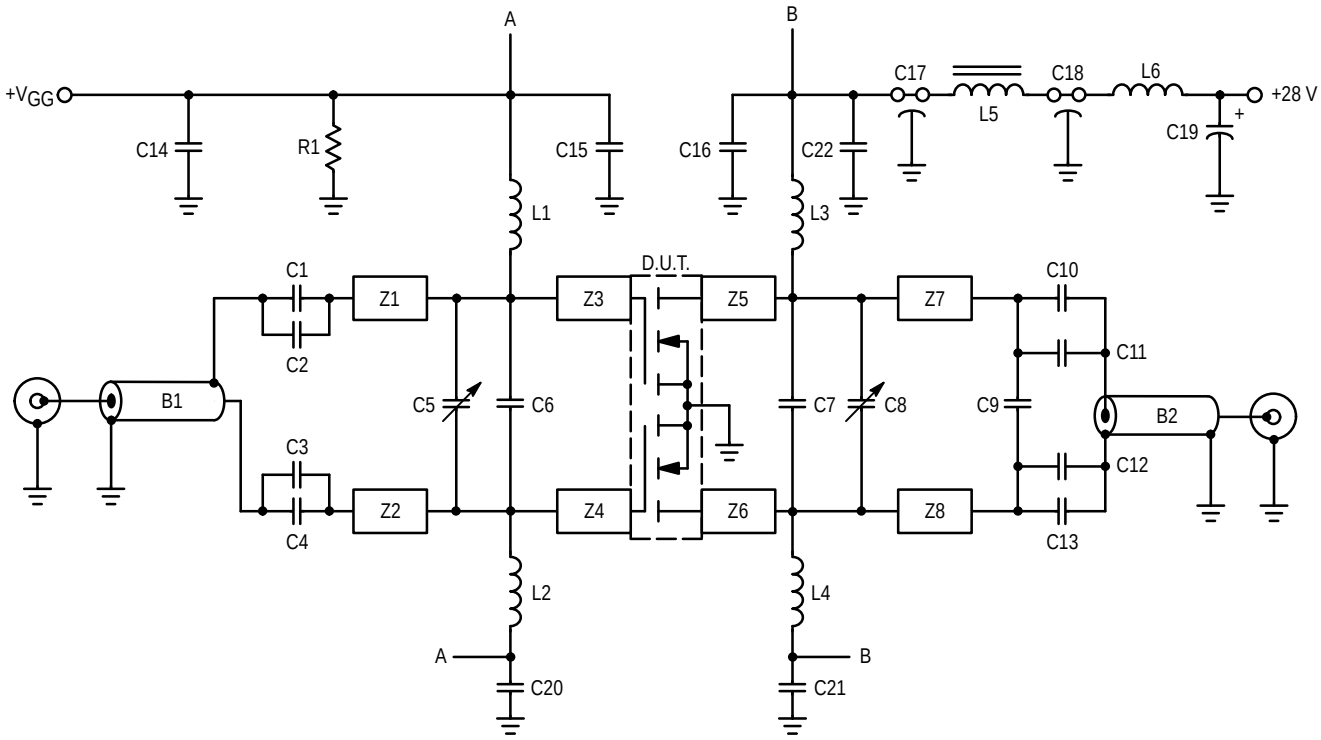
Characteristic	Symbol	Max	Unit
Thermal Resistance, Junction to Case	$R_{\theta JC}$	0.44	°C/W

NOTE – **CAUTION** – MOS devices are susceptible to damage from electrostatic charge. Reasonable precautions in handling and packaging MOS devices should be observed.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (T_C = 25°C unless otherwise noted)

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
OFF CHARACTERISTICS (1)					
Drain–Source Breakdown Voltage (V_{GS} = 0, I_D = 50 mA)	$V_{(BR)DSS}$	65	—	—	Vdc
Zero Gate Voltage Drain Current (V_{DS} = 28 V, V_{GS} = 0)	I_{DSS}	—	—	1	mA
Gate–Source Leakage Current (V_{GS} = 20 V, V_{DS} = 0)	I_{GSS}	—	—	1	μA
ON CHARACTERISTICS (1)					
Gate Threshold Voltage (V_{DS} = 10 V, I_D = 100 mA)	$V_{GS(th)}$	1.5	2.5	4.5	Vdc
Drain–Source On–Voltage (V_{GS} = 10 V, I_D = 5 A)	$V_{DS(on)}$	0.5	0.9	1.5	Vdc
Forward Transconductance (V_{DS} = 10 V, I_D = 2.5 A)	g_{fs}	3	3.75	—	mhos
DYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS (1)					
Input Capacitance (V_{DS} = 28 V, V_{GS} = 0, f = 1 MHz)	C_{iss}	—	135	—	pF
Output Capacitance (V_{DS} = 28 V, V_{GS} = 0, f = 1 MHz)	C_{oss}	—	140	—	pF
Reverse Transfer Capacitance (V_{DS} = 28 V, V_{GS} = 0, f = 1 MHz)	C_{rss}	—	17	—	pF
FUNCTIONAL CHARACTERISTICS (2) (Figure 1)					
Common Source Power Gain (V_{DD} = 28 V, P_{out} = 150 W, f = 500 MHz, I_{DQ} = 2 x 100 mA)	G_{ps}	10	11.2	—	dB
Drain Efficiency (V_{DD} = 28 V, P_{out} = 150 W, f = 500 MHz, I_{DQ} = 2 x 100 mA)	η	50	55	—	%
Electrical Ruggedness (V_{DD} = 28 V, P_{out} = 150 W, f = 500 MHz, I_{DQ} = 2 x 100 mA, VSWR 30:1 at all Phase Angles)	ψ	No Degradation in Output Power			

(1.) Each side of device measured separately.
(2.) Measured in push–pull configuration.



B1	Balun, 50 Ω, 0.086″ O.D. 2″ Long, Semi Rigid Coax
B2	Balun, 50 Ω, Coax 0.141″ O.D. 2″ Long, Semi Rigid
C1, C2, C3, C4, C10, C11, C12, C13	270 pF, ATC Chip Capacitor
C5, C8	1.0 – 20 pF, Trimmer Capacitor, Johanson
C6	22 pF, Mini–Unelco Capacitor
C7	15 pF, Unelco Capacitor
C9	2.1 pF, ATC Chip Capacitor
C14, C15, C16, C20, C21, C22	0.1 μF, Ceramic Capacitor
C17, C18	680 pF, Feedthru Capacitor
C19	10 μF, 50 V, Electrolytic Capacitor, Tantalum
L1, L2	10 Turns AWG #24, 0.145″ O.D., 106 nH Taylor–Spring Inductor
L3, L4	10 Turns AWG #18, 0.340″ I.D., Enameled Wire
L5	Ferroxcube VK200 20/4B
L6	4 Turns #16, 0.340″ I.D., Enameled Wire
R1	1.0 kΩ,1/4 W Resistor
W1 – W4	20 x 200 x 250 mils, Wear Pads, Beryllium–Copper, (See Component Location Diagram)
Z1, Z2	1.10″ x 0.245″, Microstrip Line
Z3, Z4, Z5, Z6	0.300″ x 0.245″, Microstrip Line
Z7, Z8	1.00″ x 0.245″, Microstrip Line
Board material	0.060″ Teflon–fiberglass, ε_r = 2.55, copper clad both sides, 2 oz. copper.

Points A are connected together on PCB.
Points B are connected together on PCB.

Figure 1. 500 MHz Test Circuit

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

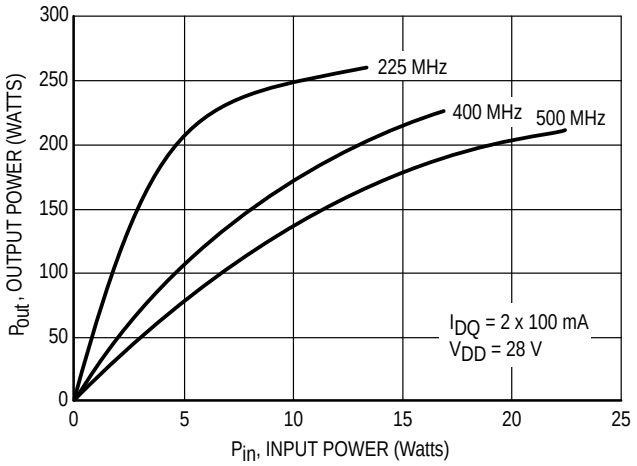


Figure 2. Output Power versus Input Power

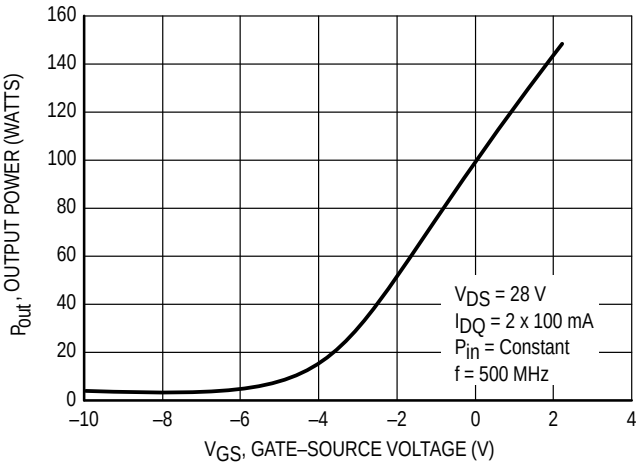


Figure 3. Output Power versus Gate Voltage

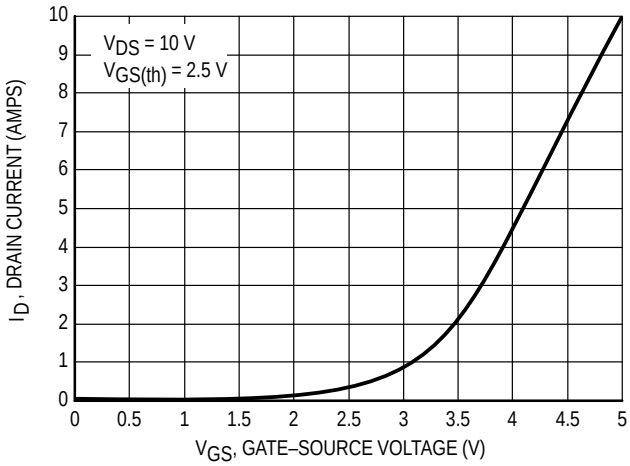
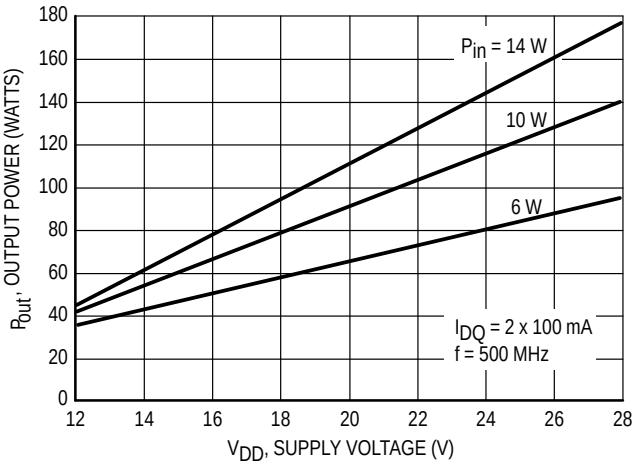


Figure 4. Drain Current versus Gate Voltage (Transfer Characteristics)



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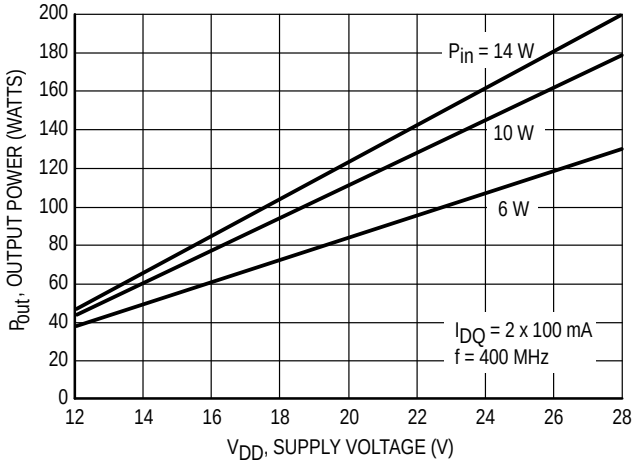

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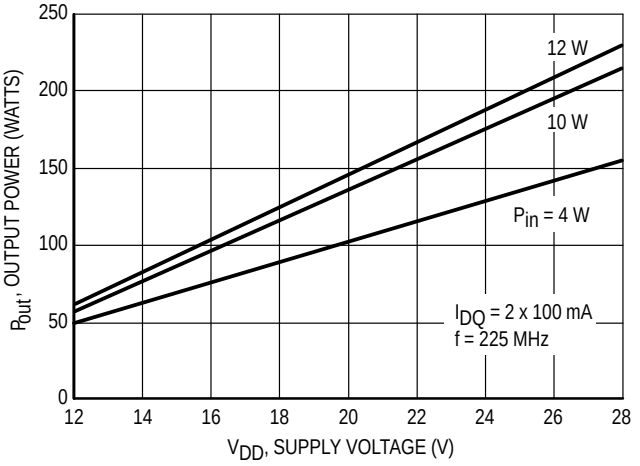


Figure 7. Output Power versus Supply Voltage

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

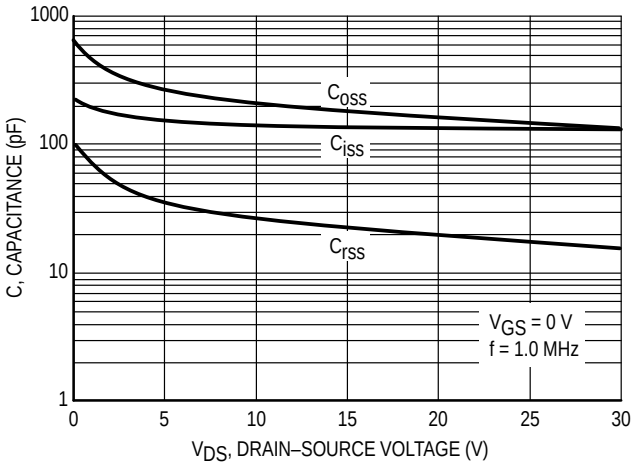


Figure 8. Capacitance versus Drain–Source Voltage*
*Data shown applies only to one half of device, MRF275G

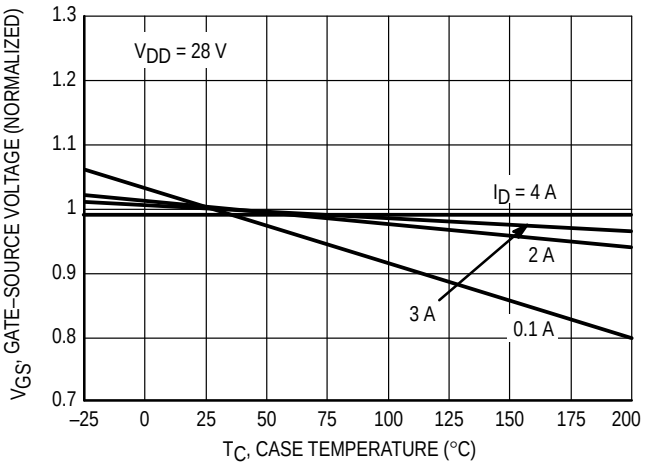


Figure 9. Gate–Source Voltage versus Case Temperature

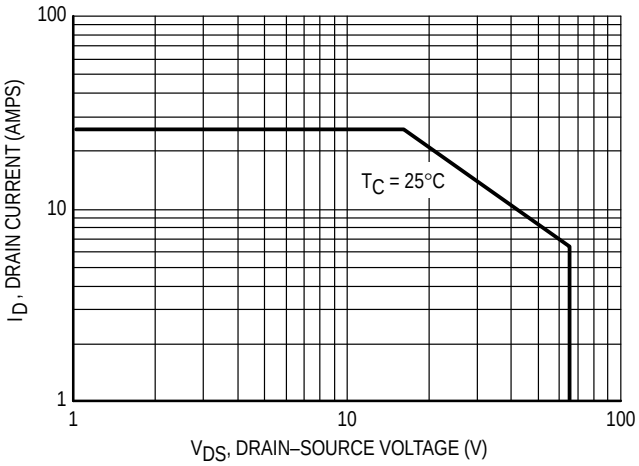
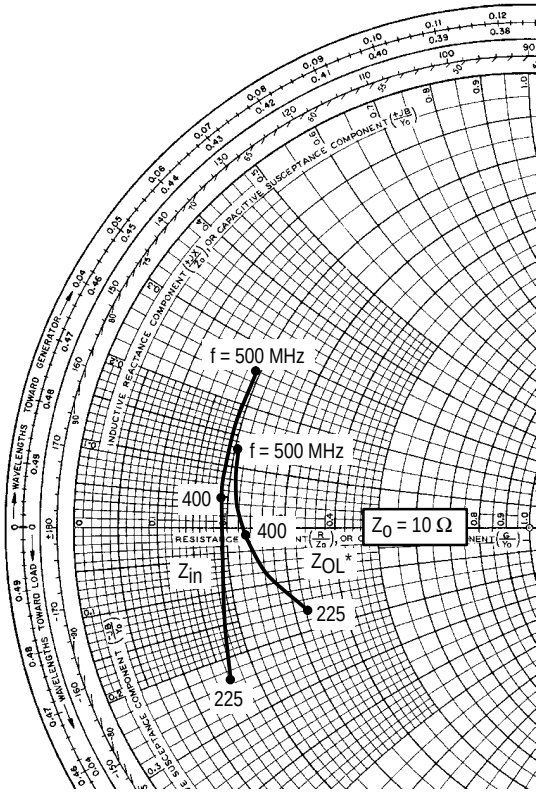


Figure 10. DC Safe Operating Area



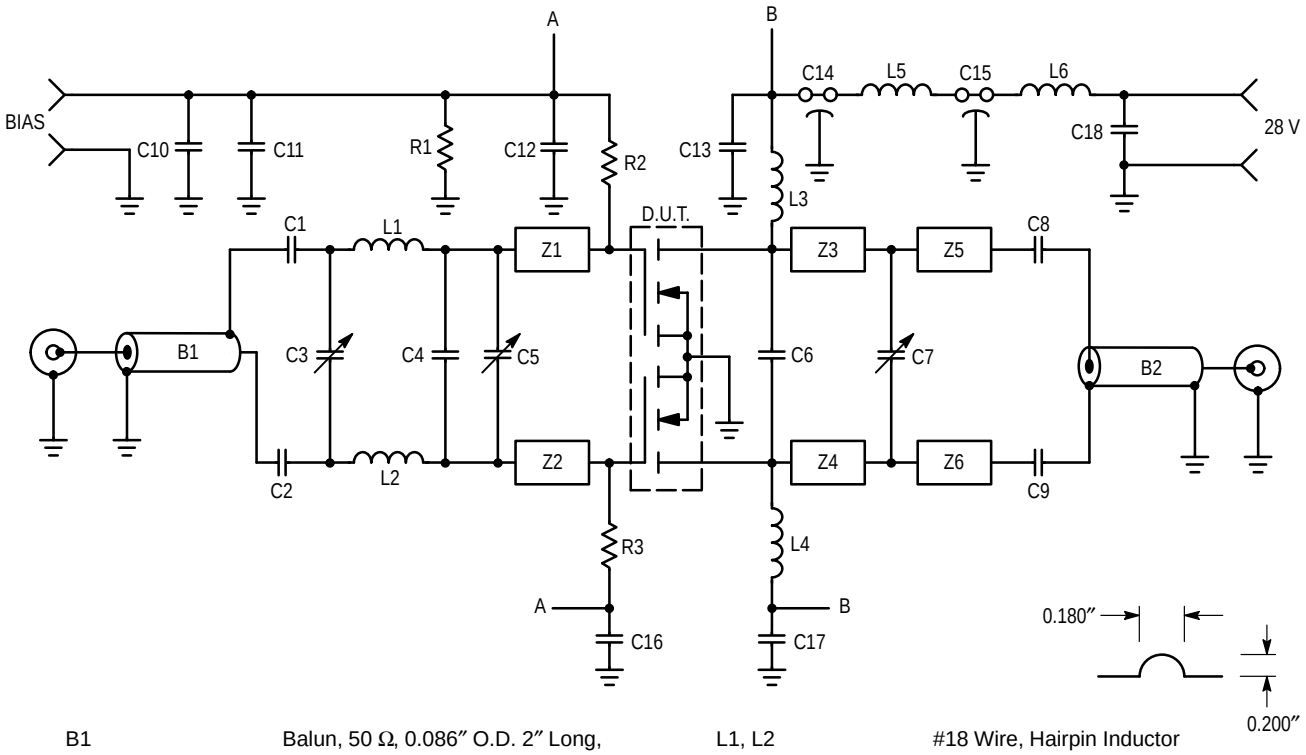
V_{DD} = 28 V, I_{DQ} = 2 x 100 mA, P_{out} = 150 W

f (MHz)	Z_{in} Ohms	Z_{OL}* Ohms
225	1.6 – j2.30	3.2 – j1.50
400	1.9 + j0.48	2.3 – j0.19
500	1.9 + j2.60	2.0 + j1.30

Z_{OL}* = Conjugate of the optimum load impedance into which the device operates at a given output power, voltage and frequency.

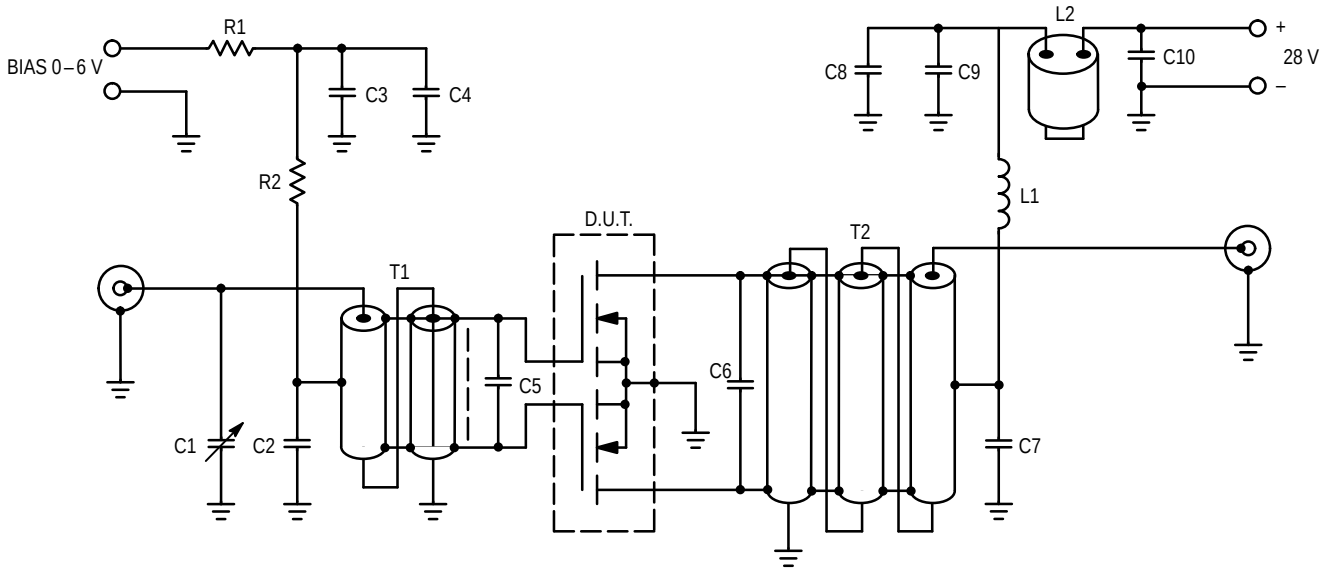
Note: Input and output impedance values given are measured from gate to gate and drain to drain respectively.

Figure 11. Series Equivalent Input/Output Impedance



B1	Balun, 50 Ω, 0.086″ O.D. 2″ Long, Semi Rigid Coax	L1, L2	#18 Wire, Hairpin Inductor
B2	Balun, 50 Ω, 0.141″ O.D. 2″ Long, Semi Rigid Coax	L3, L4	12 Turns #18, 0.340″ I.D., Enameled Wire
C1, C2, C8, C9	270 pF, ATC Chip Capacitor	L5	Ferroxcube VK200 20/4B
C3, C5, C7	1.0–20 pF, Trimmer Capacitor	L6	3 Turns #16, 0.340″ I.D., Enameled Wire
C4	15 pF, ATC Chip Capacitor	R1	1.0 kΩ, 1/4 W Resistor
C6	33 pF, ATC Chip Capacitor	R2, R3	10 kΩ, 1/4 W Resistor
C10, C12, C13, C16, C17	0.01 μF, Ceramic Capacitor	Z1, Z2	0.400″ x 0.250″, Microstrip Line
C11	1.0 μF, 50 V, Tantalum	Z3, Z4	0.870″ x 0.250″, Microstrip Line
C14, C15	680 pF, Feedthru Capacitor	Z5, Z6	0.500″ x 0.250″, Microstrip Line
C18	20 μF, 50 V, Tantalum	Board material	0.060″ Teflon–fiberglass, ε_r = 2.55, copper clad both sides, 2 oz. copper.

Figure 12. 400 MHz Test Circuit



C1	8.0–60 pF, Arco 404
C2, C3, C7, C8	1000 pF, Chip Capacitor
C4, C9	0.1 μF, Chip Capacitor
C5	180 pF, Chip Capacitor
C6	100 pF and 130 pF, Chips in Parallel
C10	0.47 μF, Chip Capacitor, 1215 or Equivalent, Kemet
L1	10 Turns AWG #16, 1/4″ I.D., Enamel Wire, Close Wound
L2	Ferrite Beads of Suitable Material for 1.5–2.0 μH Total Inductance
Board material	062″ fiberglass (G10), $\varepsilon_r \cong 5$, Two sided, 1 oz. Copper.

Unless otherwise noted, all chip capacitors are ATC Type 100 or Equivalent.

R1	100 Ω, 1/2 W
R2	1.0 k Ω, 1/2 W
T1	4:1 Impedance Ratio, RF Transformer Can Be Made of 25 Ω, Semi Rigid Coax, 47–52 Mils O.D.
T2	1:9 Impedance Ratio, RF Transformer. Can Be Made of 15–18 Ω, Semi Rigid Coax, 62–90 Mils O.D.

NOTE: For stability, the input transformer T1 should be loaded with ferrite toroids or beads to increase the common mode inductance. For operation below 100 MHz. The same is required for the output transformer.

Figure 13. 225 MHz Test Circuit

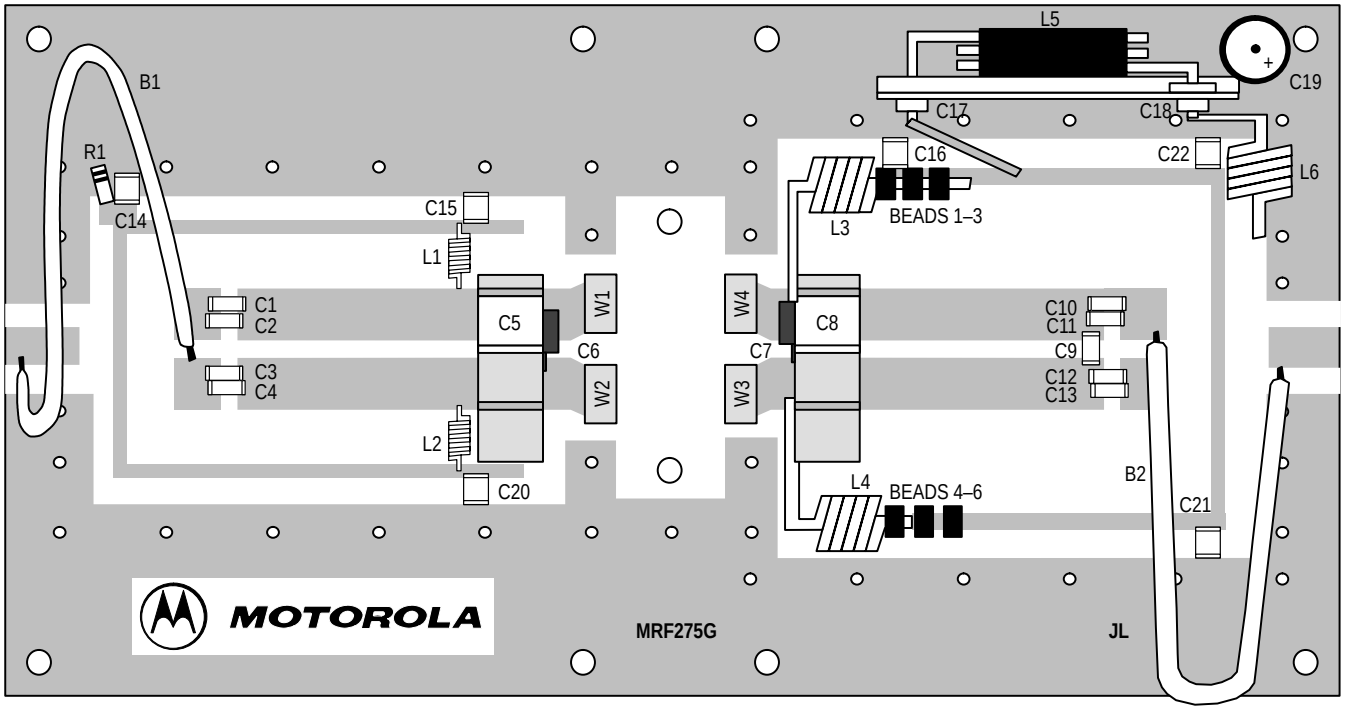


Figure 14. MRF275G Component Location (500 MHz)
(Not to Scale)

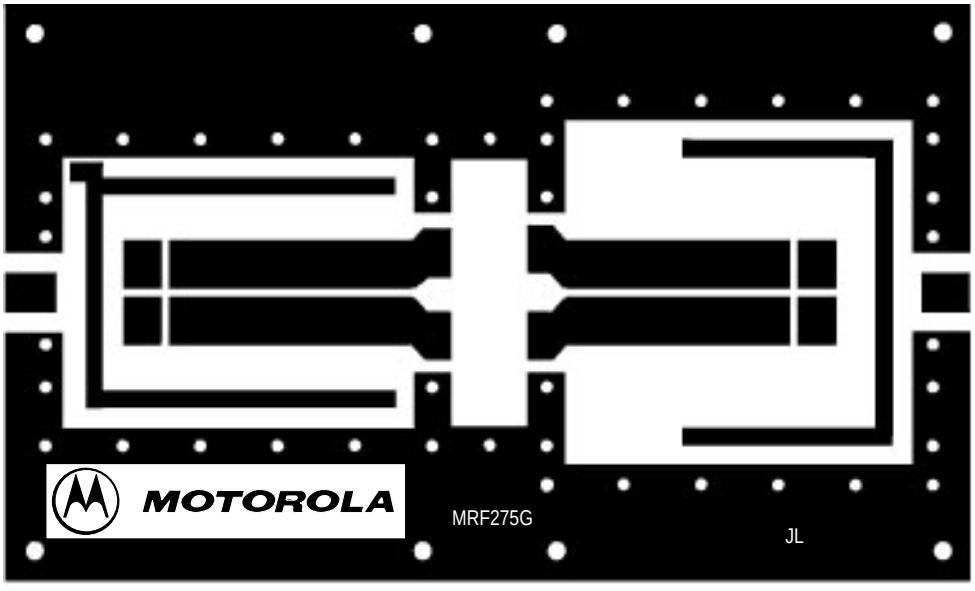


Figure 15. MRF275G Circuit Board Photo Master (500 MHz) Scale 1:1
(Reduced 25% in printed data book, DL110/D)

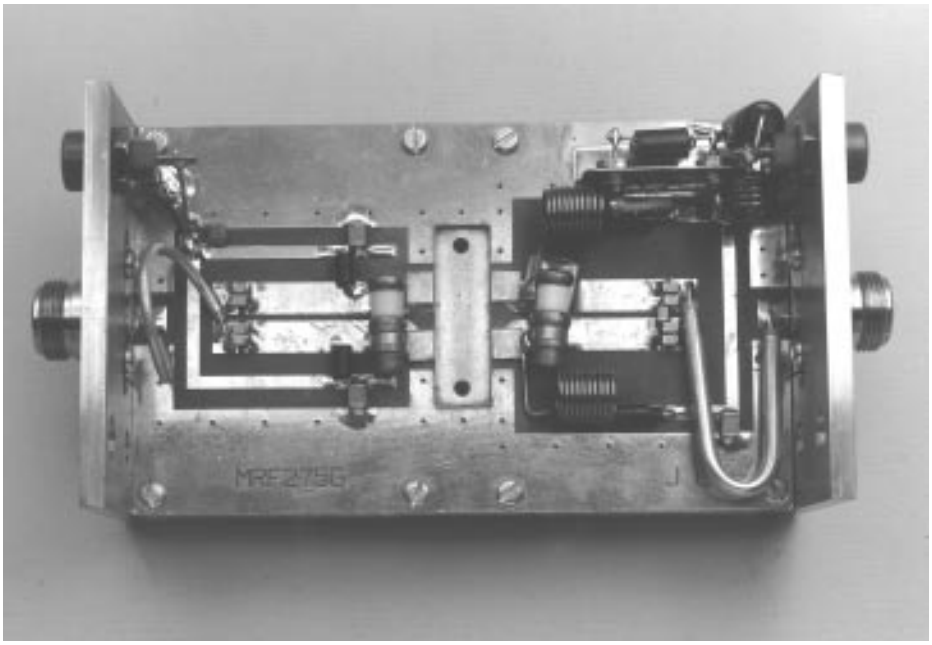


Figure 16. MRF275G Test Fixture

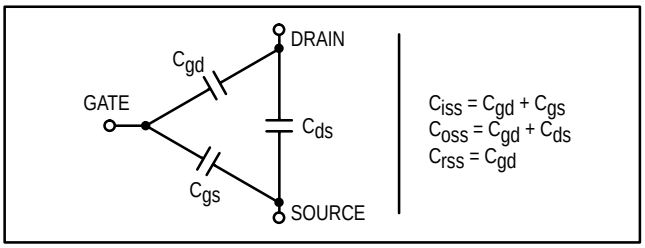
RF POWER MOSFET CONSIDERATIONS

MOSFET CAPACITANCES

The physical structure of a MOSFET results in capacitors between the terminals. The metal oxide gate structure determines the capacitors from gate–to–drain (C_{gd}), and gate–to–source (C_{gs}). The PN junction formed during the fabrication of the MOSFET results in a junction capacitance from drain–to–source (C_{ds}).

These capacitances are characterized as input (C_{iss}), output (C_{oss}) and reverse transfer (C_{rss}) capacitances on data sheets. The relationships between the inter–terminal capacitances and those given on data sheets are shown below. The C_{iss} can be specified in two ways:

1. Drain shorted to source and positive voltage at the gate.
2. Positive voltage of the drain in respect to source and zero volts at the gate. In the latter case the numbers are lower. However, neither method represents the actual operating conditions in RF applications.



The C_{iss} given in the electrical characteristics table was measured using method 2 above. It should be noted that C_{iss}, C_{oss}, C_{rss} are measured at zero drain current and are provided for general information about the device. They are not RF design parameters and no attempt should be made to use them as such.

LINEARITY AND GAIN CHARACTERISTICS

In addition to the typical IMD and power gain, data presented in Figure 3 may give the designer additional information on the capabilities of this device. The graph represents the small signal unity current gain frequency at a given drain current level. This is equivalent to f_T for bipolar transistors. Since this test is performed at a fast sweep speed, heating of the device does not occur. Thus, in normal use, the higher temperatures may degrade these characteristics to some extent.

DRAIN CHARACTERISTICS

One figure of merit for a FET is its static resistance in the full–on condition. This on–resistance, $V_{DS(on)}$, occurs in the linear region of the output characteristic and is specified under specific test conditions for gate–source voltage and drain current. For MOSFETs, $V_{DS(on)}$ has a positive temperature coefficient and constitutes an important design consideration at high temperatures, because it contributes to the power dissipation within the device.

GATE CHARACTERISTICS

The gate of the MOSFET is a polysilicon material, and is electrically isolated from the source by a layer of oxide. The input resistance is very high — on the order of 10^9 ohms — resulting in a leakage current of a few nanoamperes.

Gate control is achieved by applying a positive voltage slightly in excess of the gate–to–source threshold voltage, $V_{GS(th)}$.

Gate Voltage Rating — Never exceed the gate voltage rating (or any of the maximum ratings on the front page). Exceeding the rated V_{GS} can result in permanent damage to the oxide layer in the gate region.

Gate Termination — The gates of this device are essentially capacitors. Circuits that leave the gate open–circuited or floating should be avoided. These conditions can result in turn–on of the devices due to voltage build–up on the input capacitor due to leakage currents or pickup.

Gate Protection — These devices do not have an internal monolithic zener diode from gate–to–source. If gate protection is required, an external zener diode is recommended.

Using a resistor to keep the gate–to–source impedance low also helps damp transients and serves another important function. Voltage transients on the drain can be coupled to the gate through the parasitic gate–drain capacitance. If the gate–to–source impedance and the rate of voltage change on the drain are both high, then the signal coupled to the gate may be large enough to exceed the gate–threshold voltage and turn the device on.

HANDLING CONSIDERATIONS

When shipping, the devices should be transported only in antistatic bags or conductive foam. Upon removal from the packaging, careful handling procedures should be adhered to. Those handling the devices should wear grounding straps and devices not in the antistatic packaging should be kept in metal tote bins. MOSFETs should be handled by the case and not by the leads, and when testing the device, all leads should make good electrical contact before voltage is applied. As a final note, when placing the FET into the system it is designed for, soldering should be done with grounded equipment.

DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

The MRF275G is a RF power N–channel enhancement mode field–effect transistor (FETs) designed for HF, VHF and UHF power amplifier applications. Motorola RF MOSFETs feature a vertical structure with a planar design.

Motorola Application Note AN211A, FETs in Theory and Practice, is suggested reading for those not familiar with the construction and characteristics of FETs.

The major advantages of RF power FETs include high gain, low noise, simple bias systems, relative immunity from thermal runaway, and the ability to withstand severely mismatched loads without suffering damage. Power output can be varied over a wide range with a low power dc control signal.

DC BIAS

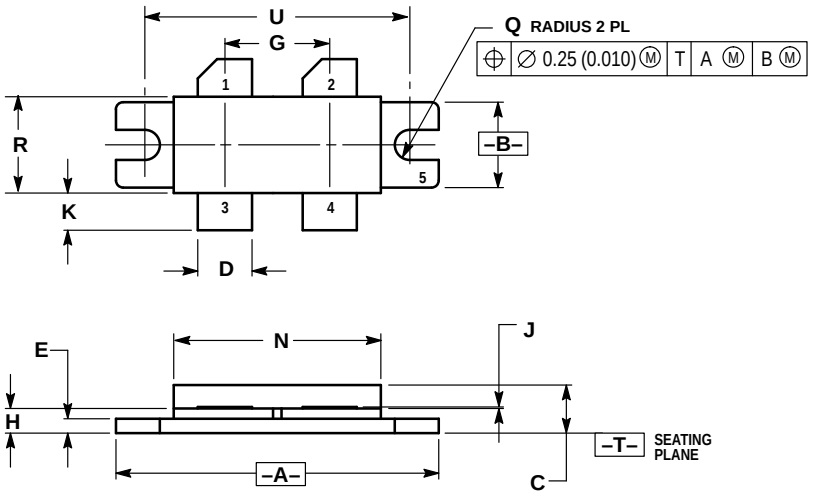
The MRF275G is an enhancement mode FET and, therefore, does not conduct when drain voltage is applied. Drain current flows when a positive voltage is applied to the gate. RF power FETs require forward bias for optimum performance. The value of quiescent drain current (I_{DQ}) is not critical for many applications. The MRF275G was characterized at I_{DQ} = 100 mA, each side, which is the suggested minimum value of I_{DQ}. For special applications such as linear amplification, I_{DQ} may have to be selected to optimize the critical parameters.

The gate is a dc open circuit and draws no current. Therefore, the gate bias circuit may be just a simple resistive divider network. Some applications may require a more elaborate bias system.

GAIN CONTROL

Power output of the MRF275G may be controlled from its rated value down to zero (negative gain) by varying the dc gate voltage. This feature facilitates the design of manual gain control, AGC/ALC and modulation systems.

PACKAGE DIMENSIONS



NOTES:
1. DIMENSIONING AND TOLERANCING PER ANSI Y14.5M, 1982.
2. CONTROLLING DIMENSION: INCH.

	INCHES		MILLIMETERS	
DIM	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX
A	1.330	1.350	33.79	34.29
B	0.370	0.410	9.40	10.41
C	0.190	0.230	4.83	5.84
D	0.215	0.235	5.47	5.96
E	0.050	0.070	1.27	1.77
G	0.430	0.440	10.92	11.18
H	0.102	0.112	2.59	2.84
J	0.004	0.006	0.11	0.15
K	0.185	0.215	4.83	5.33
N	0.845	0.875	21.46	22.23
Q	0.060	0.070	1.52	1.78
R	0.390	0.410	9.91	10.41
U	1.100 BSC		27.94 BSC	

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