

The RF Line

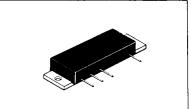
UHF POWER AMPLIFIER MODULE

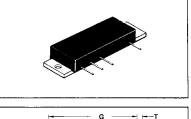
...designed for 7.5 volt UHF power amplifier applications in portable FM equipment operating to 512 MHz.

- Specified 7.5 Volt, UHF Characteristics Output Power = 1.5 Watts Minimum Gain = 15 dB Harmonics = -45 dB
- Frequency Range 400 to 512 MHz
- Gain Control Pin for Constant Output Power Level

1.5 W - 512 MHz

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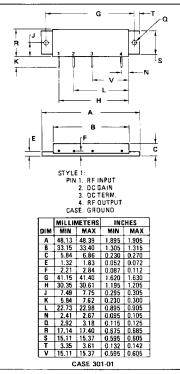




ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Max	Unit
Frequency Range MHW401-1 MHW401-2 MHW401-3	_	400 440 470	440 470 512	MHz
Output Power (1) (50-Ohm Load) $(P_{in} = 50 \text{ mW}, V_s = 7.5 \text{ Vdc})$	Pout	1.5	2.0	Watts
Power Gain	Gp	15	<u> </u>	dB
Efficiency (1) (P _{out} = 1.5 W, V _s = 7.5 Vdc)	η	40	_	%
Harmonics (1) (P _{out} = 1.5 W, Reference)	_	I	- 45	dB
Input Impedance (1) (Pout = 1.5 W, 50 Ohm Reference)	z _{in}	_	2.1	VSWR
Power Degradation (1) (P _{out} = 1.5 W, T _C = 25°C) (T _C = 0°C to 60°C)	_	<u> </u>	0.3	dB
Power Degradation (1) (P _{out} = 1.5 W, T _C = 25°C) (T _C = 0°C to 80°C)	_	_	0.7	dB
Load Mismatch $\{VSWR = \infty, V_S = 11 \text{ Vdc, } V_{SC} \text{ set for } P_{Out} = 2.0 \text{ W}\}$	_	No degradation in P _{out}		
$ \begin{array}{lll} \text{Stability} \\ \text{(P}_{in} = 25 \text{ to 75 mW, Load Mismatch 10:1} \\ \text{50 ohm reference, V}_{s} = 4.0 \text{ to 11 Vdc,} \\ \text{V}_{sc} \text{ adjusted for P}_{out} = 0.5 \text{ to 2.0 W)} \end{array} $	_	All spurious outputs more than 60 dB below desired signal		

(1) Pin = 50 mW, Vsc Adjusted for 1.5 W Output



APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

Nominal Operation

All electrical specifications are based on the nominal conditions: Pin 2 voltage (control pin - V_{SC}) and Pin 3 voltage (main supply or V_{S}) equal to 7.5 Vdc and with output power equaling to 1.5 watts. With these conditions, maximum current density on any device is 1.5 x 10^5 A/cm² and maximum die temperature with 100°C base plate temperature is 165°C . While the modules are designed to have excess gain margin with ruggedness, operation of these units outside the limits of published specifications is not recommended unless prior communications regarding intended use has been made with the factory representative.

Gain Control

The input stage in this module is designed to have good input VSWR with varying drive and voltage conditions. This is accomplished by running the stage essentially Class A.

Maximum module DC to RF conversion efficiency is obtained by applying full input drive, output power set to 1.5 Watts by reducing the voltage on Pin 2 ($V_{\rm SC}$). This can be done with a variable resistor or through a series pass

transistor such as in an AGC loop. Input VSWR even under heavy AGC application or overdrive to 80 mW will generally remain under 2:1.

Decoupling

The high gain of the two stages and the module size limitations, external decoupling network requires careful consideration. Both Pins 2 and 3 are internally bypassed with a 0.018 $\mu{\rm F}$ chip capacitor effective for frequencies from 5 through 1000 MHz. For bypassing frequencies below 5 MHz, networks equivalent to that shown in the test figure schematic are recommended. Inadequate decoupling will result in spurious outputs at certain operating frequencies and certain phase angles of input and output VSWR greater than 3:1.

Load Pull

During final test, each module is "load pull" tested in a fixture having the identical decoupling network described in Figure 1. Electrical conditions are $V_{\rm S}$ and $V_{\rm SC}$ equal 11 V, output VSWR infinite, output power obtained with 80 mW drive — lowest frequency in the band.

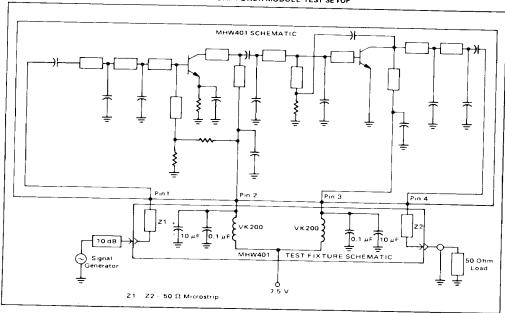
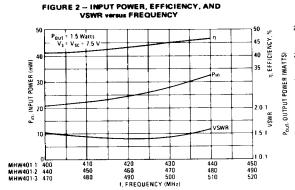


FIGURE 1 - UHF POWER MODULE TEST SETUP

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CURVES



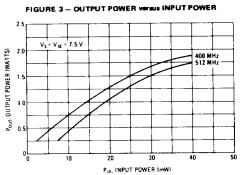
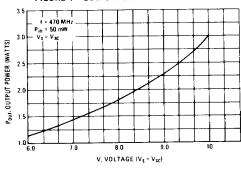


FIGURE 4 - OUTPUT POWER versus VOLTAGE



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FIGURE 5 - TEST CIRCUIT

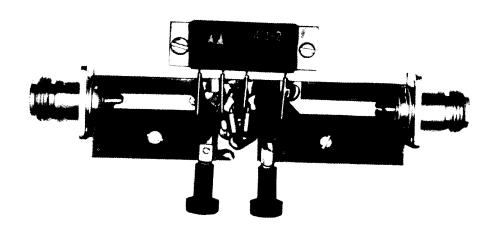


FIGURE 6 -- UHF POWER MODULE TEXT FIXTURE PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD

