

## 36-44GHz Variable Attenuator

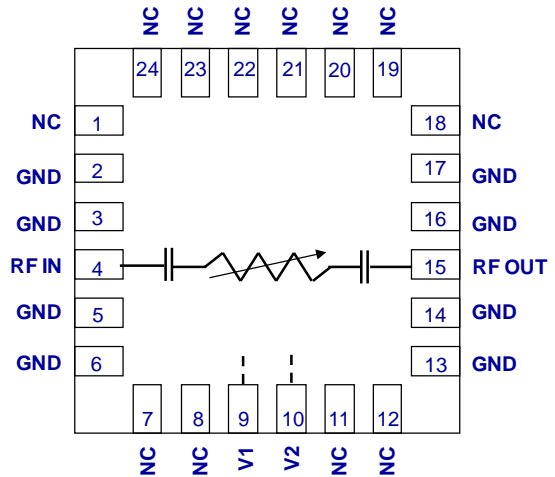
### GaAs Monolithic Microwave IC

#### Description

The CHT4699-QDG is a monolithic 36-44GHz Variable Voltage Attenuator.

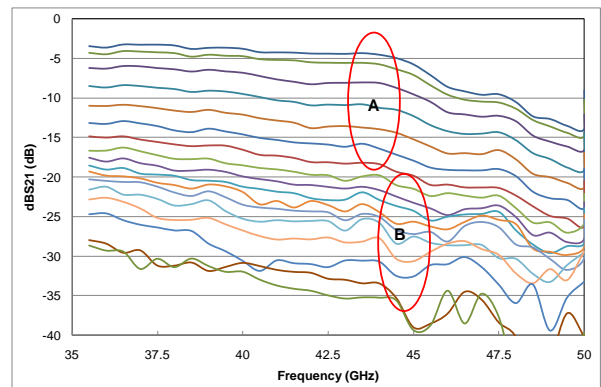
It is designed for a wide range of applications, from military to commercial communication systems.

The circuit is manufactured with a MESFET process, 0.7 $\mu$ m gate length, via holes through the substrate, air bridges.



#### Main Features

- Broadband performances: 36-44GHz
- Minimum attenuation: 4dB
- 30dB dynamic range
- 27dBm input IP3
- DC bias: -5 to 0V
- 24L QFN4x4



#### Main Electrical Characteristics

Tamb.= +25°C

| Symbol  | Parameter                           | Min  | Typ | Max  | Unit |
|---------|-------------------------------------|------|-----|------|------|
| Freq    | Frequency range                     | 36.0 |     | 44.0 | GHz  |
| Min Att | Minimum attenuation with V1=V2= -5V |      | -4  |      | dB   |
| Dyn     | Dynamic range of attenuation        |      | 30  |      | dB   |
| IIP3    | Input IP3 all attenuation           |      | 27  |      | dBm  |

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|----------|---|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Freq     | Frequency range   | 36  |     | 44  | GHz  |
| Min Att. | S21  (V1=-5V;V2=-5V)  |     | -4  |     | dB   |
| Dyn      | Attenuation dynamic   |     | 30  |     | dB   |
| RLin     | Input Return loss (any attenuation)                           |     | -10 |     | dB   |
| RLout    | Output Return loss (any attenuation)                          |     | -10 |     | dB   |
| Pin1dB   | Input 1dB compression point (any attenuation)                 |     | 20  |     | dBm  |
| IIP3     | Input 3 <sup>rd</sup> order Intercept Point (any attenuation) |     | 27  |     | dBm  |

These values are representative of onboard measurements as defined on the drawing in paragraph "Evaluation mother board".

## Absolute Maximum Ratings <sup>(1)</sup>

Tamb.= +25°C

| Symbol | Parameter                               | Values      | Unit |
|--------|---|-------------|------|
| V1     | V1 control voltage                      | -6 to +0.6  | V    |
| V2     | V2 control voltage                      | -6 to +0.6  | V    |
| Pin    | RF input power overdrive <sup>(2)</sup> | +33         | dBm  |
| Ta     | Operating temperature range             | -40 to +85  | °C   |
| Tstg   | Storage temperature range               | -55 to +150 | °C   |

<sup>(1)</sup> Operation of this device above anyone of these parameters may cause permanent damage.

<sup>(2)</sup> Duration < 1s.

## Typical Bias Conditions

Tamb.= +25°C

| Symbol | Pad N° | Parameter          | Values  | Unit |
|--------|--------|--------------------|---------|------|
| V1     | 9      | V1 control voltage | -5 to 0 | V    |
| V2     | 10     | V2 control voltage | -5 to 0 | V    |

For optimum linearity V1& V2 should be tuned in sequence.

## Typical Package Sij parameters

Tamb.= +25°C, V1= -5V, V2= -5V, Minimum attenuation

| Freq (GHz) | S11 (dB) | PhS11 (°) | S21 (dB) | PhS21 (°) | S12 (dB) | PhS12 (°) | S22 (dB) | PhS22 (°) |
|------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| 25         | -12.6    | -106      | -3.2     | 176       | -3.2     | 176       | -12.9    | -103      |
| 25.5       | -11.0    | -124      | -3.5     | 156       | -3.5     | 156       | -11.2    | -122      |
| 26         | -9.8     | -140      | -3.6     | 137       | -3.6     | 137       | -9.8     | -140      |
| 26.5       | -8.8     | -157      | -3.8     | 118       | -3.8     | 118       | -8.9     | -158      |
| 27         | -8.3     | -174      | -3.9     | 99        | -3.9     | 99        | -8.3     | -177      |
| 27.5       | -7.9     | 170       | -4.0     | 81        | -4.0     | 81        | -7.9     | 165       |
| 28         | -7.8     | 154       | -4.1     | 62        | -4.1     | 62        | -7.8     | 147       |
| 28.5       | -7.8     | 139       | -4.1     | 44        | -4.1     | 44        | -7.8     | 130       |
| 29         | -7.9     | 124       | -4.1     | 25        | -4.1     | 25        | -7.9     | 113       |
| 29.5       | -8.1     | 108       | -3.9     | 7         | -3.9     | 7         | -8.1     | 95        |
| 30         | -8.4     | 92        | -3.8     | -13       | -3.8     | -13       | -8.4     | 77        |
| 30.5       | -9.1     | 76        | -3.7     | -33       | -3.7     | -33       | -9.1     | 60        |
| 31         | -10.0    | 59        | -3.6     | -52       | -3.6     | -52       | -10.0    | 42        |
| 31.5       | -11.3    | 43        | -3.6     | -73       | -3.6     | -73       | -11.3    | 24        |
| 32         | -12.7    | 27        | -3.6     | -92       | -3.6     | -92       | -13.0    | 8         |
| 32.5       | -14.7    | 11        | -3.7     | -112      | -3.7     | -112      | -14.9    | -6        |
| 33         | -17.1    | -4        | -3.6     | -131      | -3.6     | -131      | -16.8    | -18       |
| 33.5       | -20.5    | -21       | -3.5     | -151      | -3.5     | -151      | -19.1    | -29       |
| 34         | -25.9    | 140       | -3.5     | -171      | -3.4     | -171      | -21.7    | 146       |
| 34.5       | -39.6    | 98        | -3.4     | 168       | -3.4     | 168       | -24.4    | 143       |
| 35         | -31.7    | -51       | -3.3     | 148       | -3.3     | 148       | -27.3    | 142       |
| 35.5       | -25.6    | -72       | -3.3     | 127       | -3.3     | 127       | -29.9    | 139       |
| 36         | -23.1    | -81       | -3.1     | 106       | -3.1     | 106       | -34.9    | 110       |
| 36.5       | -21.2    | -88       | -3.1     | 84        | -3.1     | 84        | -33.3    | -13       |
| 37         | -19.4    | -93       | -3.2     | 63        | -3.2     | 63        | -25.9    | -53       |
| 37.5       | -17.4    | -102      | -3.2     | 40        | -3.2     | 40        | -20.7    | -76       |
| 38         | -15.7    | -111      | -3.3     | 18        | -3.3     | 18        | -17.2    | -97       |
| 38.5       | -14.1    | -122      | -3.4     | -4        | -3.5     | -4        | -14.9    | -117      |
| 39         | -12.8    | -135      | -3.8     | -26       | -3.8     | -26       | -13.1    | -133      |
| 39.5       | -11.7    | -148      | -4.0     | -47       | -4.0     | -47       | -11.6    | -151      |
| 40         | -10.6    | -162      | -4.1     | -69       | -4.1     | -69       | -10.4    | -168      |
| 40.5       | -9.8     | -178      | -4.3     | -90       | -4.3     | -90       | -9.5     | 174       |
| 41         | -9.4     | 165       | -4.4     | -112      | -4.4     | -112      | -9.1     | 158       |
| 41.5       | -9.4     | 148       | -4.7     | -133      | -4.7     | -133      | -9.2     | 142       |
| 42         | -9.5     | 133       | -4.6     | -154      | -4.6     | -154      | -9.2     | 128       |
| 42.5       | -10.1    | 117       | -4.5     | -177      | -4.5     | -176      | -9.8     | 112       |
| 43         | -11.3    | 103       | -4.5     | 160       | -4.5     | 160       | -10.9    | 99        |
| 43.5       | -13.1    | 95        | -4.5     | 136       | -4.5     | 136       | -12.7    | 92        |
| 44         | -14.6    | 98        | -4.7     | 109       | -4.7     | 109       | -14.2    | 98        |
| 44.5       | -13.7    | 110       | -5.3     | 84        | -5.3     | 84        | -12.8    | 113       |
| 45         | -10.9    | 108       | -6.0     | 59        | -5.9     | 59        | -9.6     | 111       |
| 45.5       | -8.5     | 96        | -6.9     | 35        | -6.9     | 35        | -7.3     | 99        |
| 46         | -6.9     | 79        | -7.9     | 13        | -7.9     | 13        | -5.7     | 85        |
| 46.5       | -5.7     | 64        | -8.9     | -6        | -8.9     | -6        | -4.6     | 70        |
| 47         | -4.9     | -134      | -9.7     | -26       | -9.7     | -26       | -3.7     | -127      |
| 47.5       | -4.3     | -152      | -10.5    | -46       | -10.5    | -46       | -3.2     | -144      |
| 48         | -4.1     | -169      | -11.3    | -64       | -11.3    | -64       | -2.9     | -158      |
| 48.5       | -3.7     | 176       | -11.6    | -82       | -11.5    | -81       | -2.3     | -172      |
| 49         | -3.6     | 159       | -12.1    | -101      | -12.1    | -102      | -2.3     | 173       |
| 49.5       | -3.6     | 143       | -12.7    | -119      | -12.7    | -119      | -2.4     | 159       |
| 50         | -3.8     | 127       | -13.0    | -138      | -13.0    | -138      | -2.3     | 146       |

Refer to the "definition of Sij reference planes" section below

## Typical Package Sij parameters

Tamb.= +25°C, V1= 0V, V2= 0V, Maximum attenuation

| Freq (GHz) | S11 (dB) | PhS11 (°) | S21 (dB) | PhS21 (°) | S12 (dB) | PhS12 (°) | S22 (dB) | PhS22 (°) |
|------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| 25         | -12.5    | -150      | -29.2    | 178       | -29.1    | 178       | -12.7    | -153      |
| 25.5       | -12.2    | -161      | -29.3    | 162       | -29.3    | 162       | -12.6    | -165      |
| 26         | -12.0    | -173      | -29.1    | 142       | -29.2    | 142       | -12.4    | -177      |
| 26.5       | -11.8    | 176       | -29.3    | 125       | -29.2    | 125       | -12.3    | 171       |
| 27         | -11.8    | 165       | -29.2    | 107       | -28.9    | 107       | -12.3    | 158       |
| 27.5       | -11.9    | 153       | -29.2    | 88        | -29.2    | 88        | -12.4    | 145       |
| 28         | -12.0    | 142       | -29.4    | 71        | -29.4    | 71        | -12.6    | 132       |
| 28.5       | -12.3    | 131       | -29.1    | 53        | -29.1    | 53        | -12.8    | 120       |
| 29         | -12.7    | 121       | -29.1    | 36        | -29.1    | 35        | -13.1    | 108       |
| 29.5       | -13.0    | 111       | -29.5    | 18        | -29.4    | 18        | -13.4    | 95        |
| 30         | -13.4    | 101       | -29.3    | 2         | -29.2    | 2         | -13.9    | 84        |
| 30.5       | -14.1    | 90        | -28.9    | -15       | -29.0    | -16       | -14.3    | 72        |
| 31         | -14.8    | 80        | -29.2    | -33       | -29.2    | -33       | -15.1    | 60        |
| 31.5       | -15.8    | 71        | -29.2    | -50       | -29.1    | -50       | -16.0    | 49        |
| 32         | -16.8    | 65        | -29.3    | -66       | -29.2    | -66       | -17.2    | 39        |
| 32.5       | -17.8    | 59        | -29.2    | -83       | -29.3    | -83       | -18.5    | 30        |
| 33         | -18.9    | 55        | -29.3    | -98       | -29.2    | -99       | -19.7    | 24        |
| 33.5       | -20.0    | 53        | -29.4    | -118      | -29.5    | -117      | -20.9    | 19        |
| 34         | -20.9    | -125      | -29.8    | -131      | -29.7    | -131      | -21.5    | -161      |
| 34.5       | -21.1    | -124      | -29.6    | -148      | -29.7    | -148      | -22.3    | -164      |
| 35         | -21.1    | -122      | -29.7    | -166      | -29.4    | -165      | -23.4    | -163      |
| 35.5       | -20.6    | -120      | -30.1    | 177       | -29.9    | 176       | -24.0    | -159      |
| 36         | -19.7    | -121      | -30.9    | 156       | -30.7    | 156       | -24.1    | -152      |
| 36.5       | -19.1    | -127      | -31.6    | 144       | -31.8    | 145       | -23.9    | -146      |
| 37         | -18.8    | -130      | -31.9    | 129       | -32.1    | 129       | -22.7    | -144      |
| 37.5       | -17.9    | -134      | -32.3    | 112       | -32.3    | 112       | -21.3    | -146      |
| 38         | -17.2    | -139      | -33.7    | 97        | -33.5    | 94        | -20.0    | -149      |
| 38.5       | -16.3    | -146      | -34.1    | 80        | -34.1    | 79        | -18.4    | -154      |
| 39         | -15.6    | -154      | -35.9    | 70        | -35.8    | 70        | -17.2    | -160      |
| 39.5       | -15.0    | -161      | -36.4    | 55        | -37.0    | 55        | -16.2    | -168      |
| 40         | -14.3    | -169      | -38.6    | 45        | -38.6    | 44        | -15.1    | -176      |
| 40.5       | -13.7    | -178      | -39.3    | 28        | -39.2    | 32        | -14.2    | 176       |
| 41         | -13.0    | 174       | -43.1    | 32        | -42.9    | 27        | -13.2    | 169       |
| 41.5       | -12.4    | 165       | -46.0    | 55        | -45.2    | 43        | -12.5    | 161       |
| 42         | -11.6    | 156       | -41.5    | 55        | -41.7    | 55        | -11.3    | 154       |
| 42.5       | -10.7    | 145       | -38.8    | 49        | -39.0    | 48        | -10.3    | 143       |
| 43         | -9.9     | 133       | -36.4    | 30        | -37.0    | 35        | -9.5     | 131       |
| 43.5       | -9.3     | 120       | -35.7    | 13        | -36.1    | 13        | -8.7     | 120       |
| 44         | -8.9     | 106       | -35.0    | -11       | -34.6    | -10       | -8.2     | 107       |
| 44.5       | -8.8     | 95        | -35.4    | -36       | -35.4    | -36       | -7.8     | 97        |
| 45         | -8.4     | 83        | -38.0    | -63       | -37.5    | -58       | -7.2     | 86        |
| 45.5       | -8.1     | 72        | -39.6    | -61       | -39.0    | -67       | -6.9     | 76        |
| 46         | -7.5     | 60        | -40.9    | -76       | -39.7    | -77       | -6.3     | 66        |
| 46.5       | -7.0     | 50        | -42.3    | -76       | -42.3    | -81       | -5.8     | 56        |
| 47         | -6.4     | -143      | -43.4    | -71       | -42.4    | -68       | -5.2     | -136      |
| 47.5       | -6.0     | -158      | -40.3    | -87       | -40.9    | -78       | -4.7     | -150      |
| 48         | -5.7     | -171      | -39.9    | -90       | -41.0    | -82       | -4.3     | -162      |
| 48.5       | -5.2     | 176       | -38.0    | -105      | -37.8    | -103      | -3.7     | -172      |
| 49         | -5.0     | 161       | -38.9    | -119      | -38.2    | -126      | -3.5     | 174       |
| 49.5       | -4.8     | 146       | -38.2    | -135      | -37.9    | -138      | -3.4     | 162       |
| 50         | -4.7     | 132       | -37.7    | -160      | -38.4    | -159      | -3.2     | 149       |

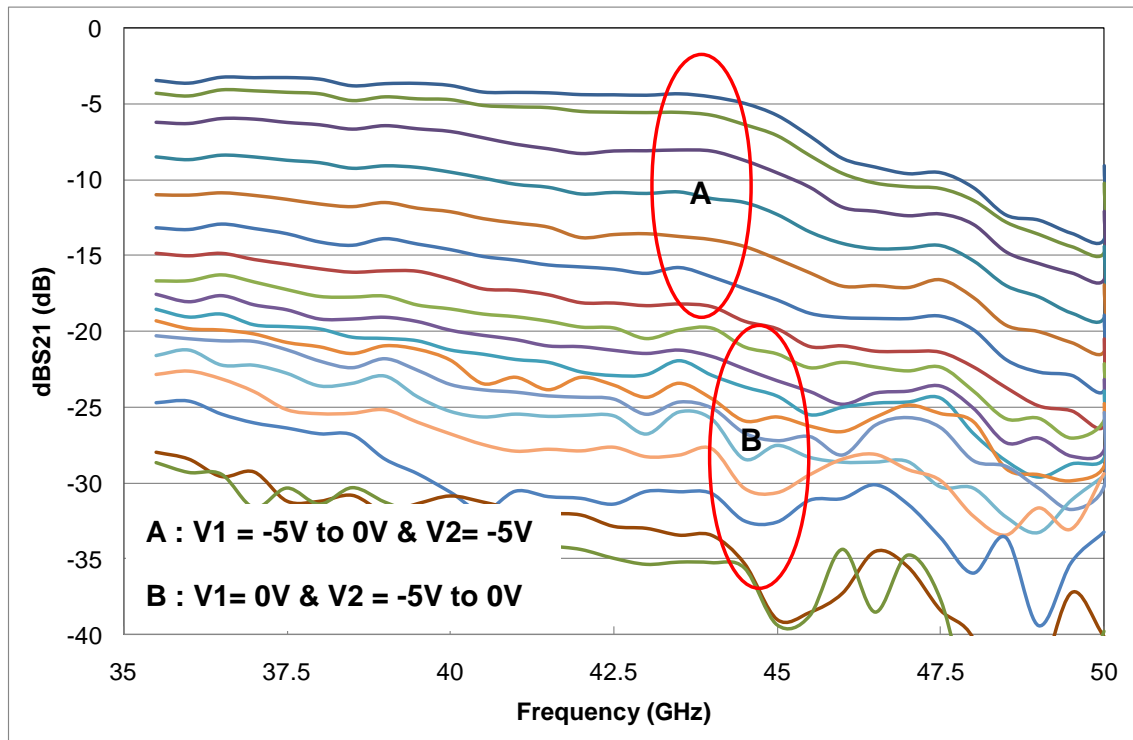
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Typical Board Measurements

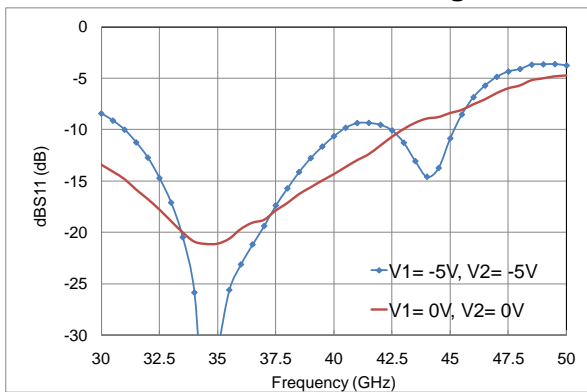
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Measurements in the package access planes

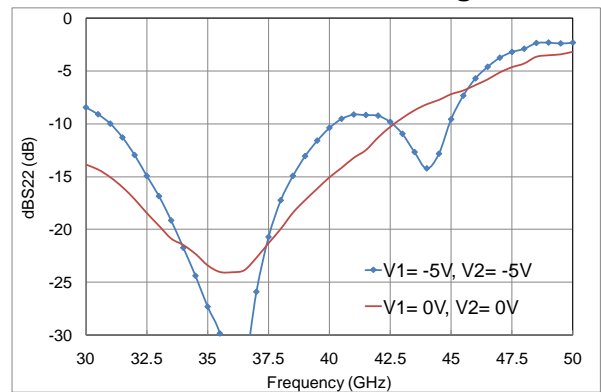
Gain versus control voltage



S11 versus control voltage



S22 versus control voltage

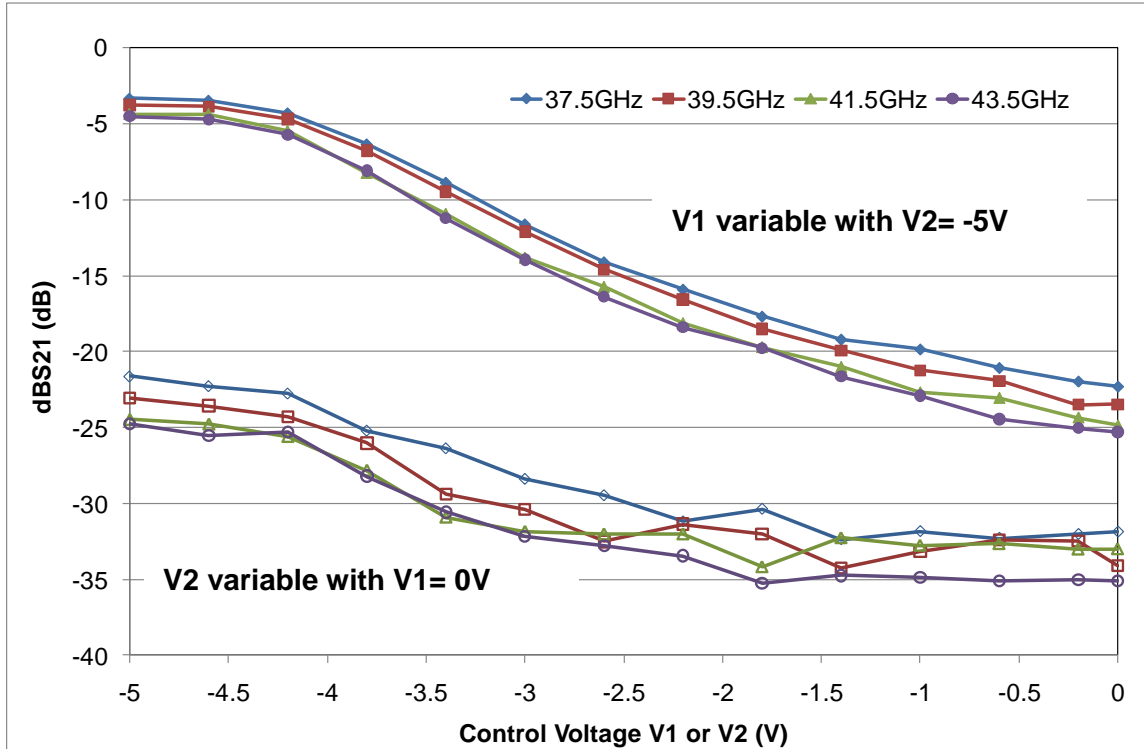


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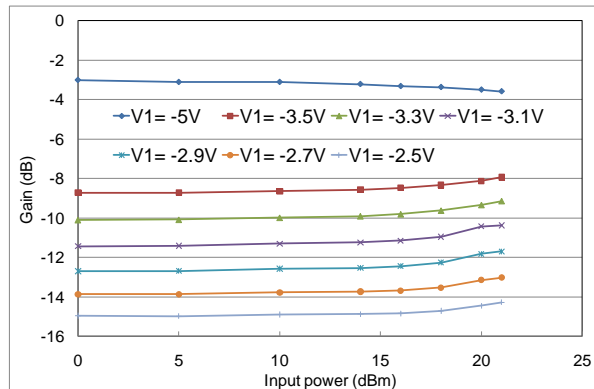
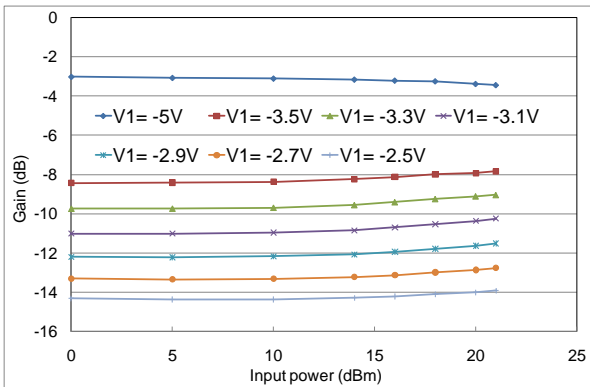
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Measurements in the package access planes

Gain versus control voltage



Gain versus input power & V1 control voltage with V2 = -5V  
38GHz 42GHz

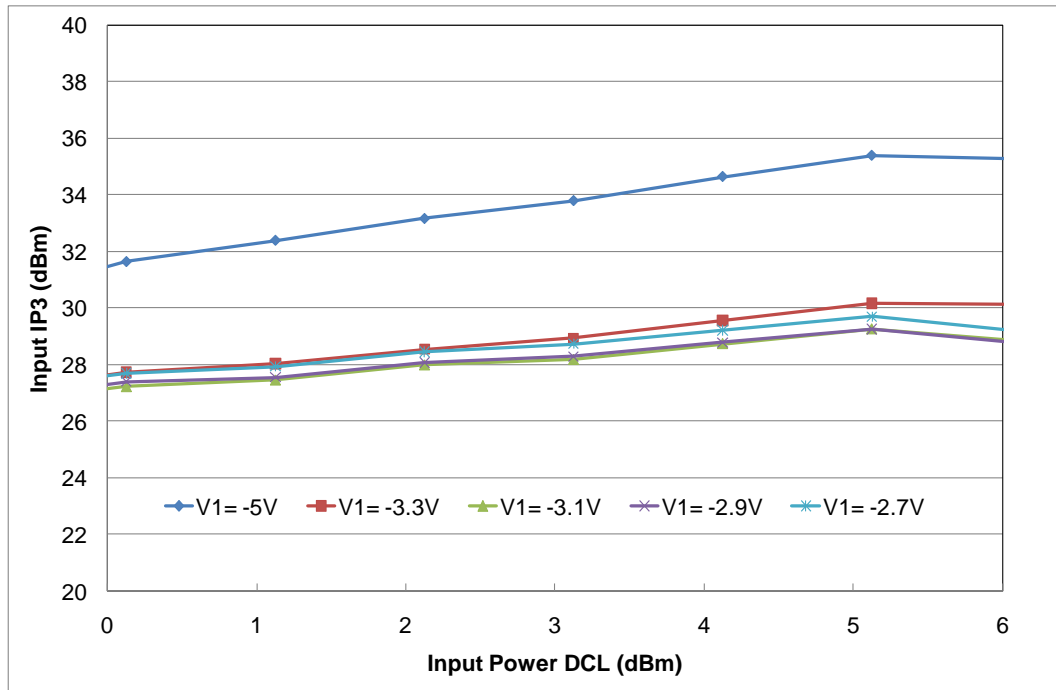


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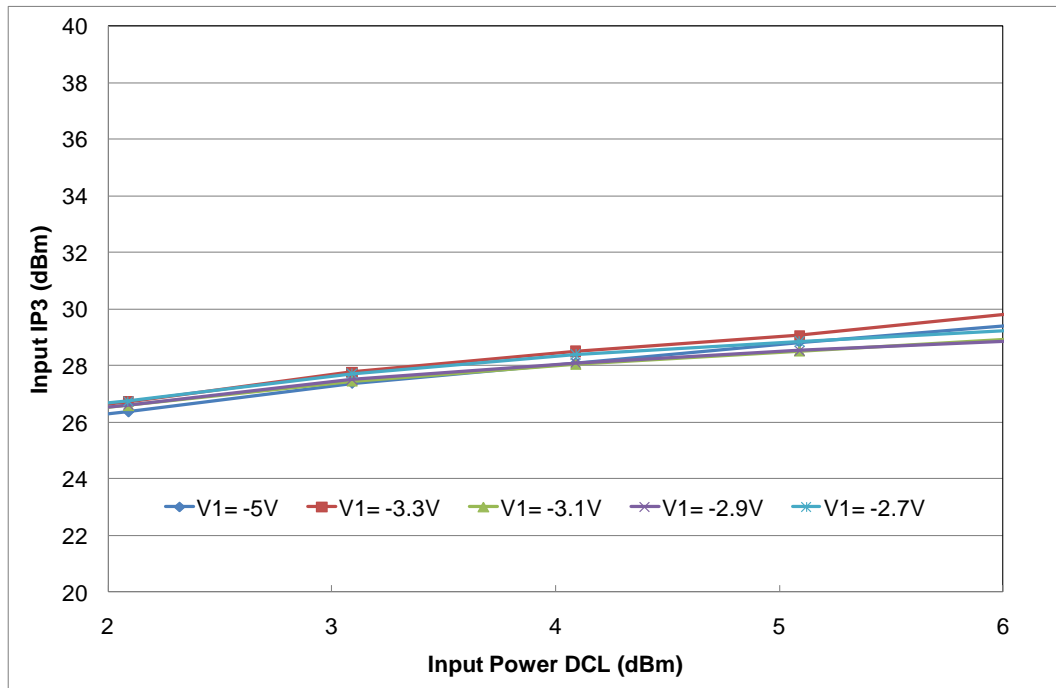
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Measurements in the package access planes

**Input IP3 versus input power & V1 control voltage at 38GHz with V2= -5V**



**Input IP3 versus input power & V1 control voltage at 42GHz with V2= -5V**



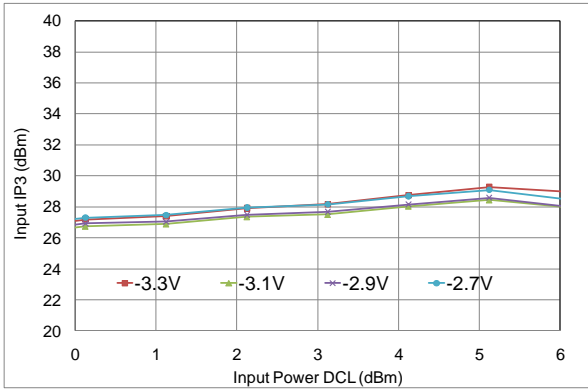
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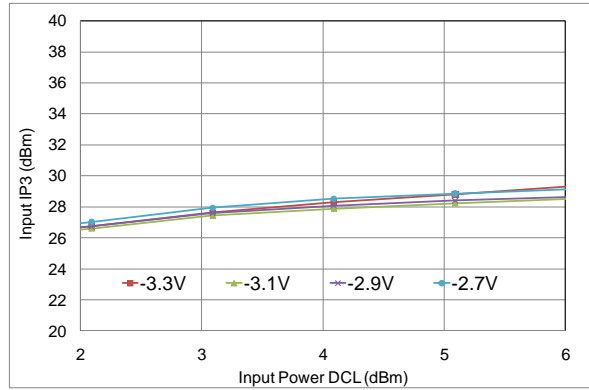
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### Input IP3 versus input power with V1= V2

38GHz

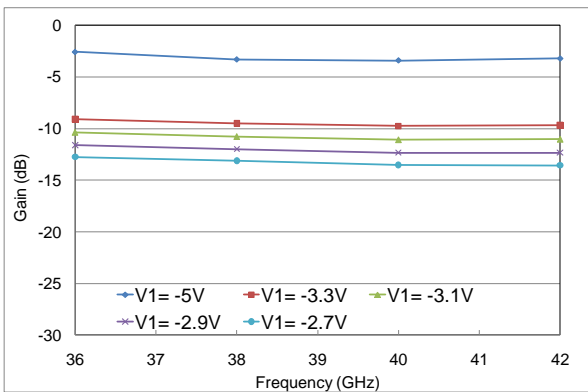


42GHz

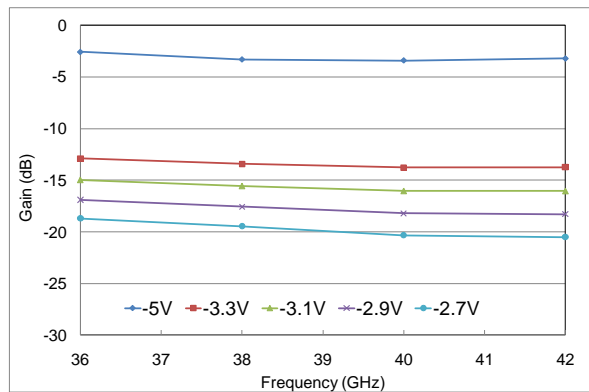


### Gain versus frequency and biasing option

V1 variable with V2=-5V

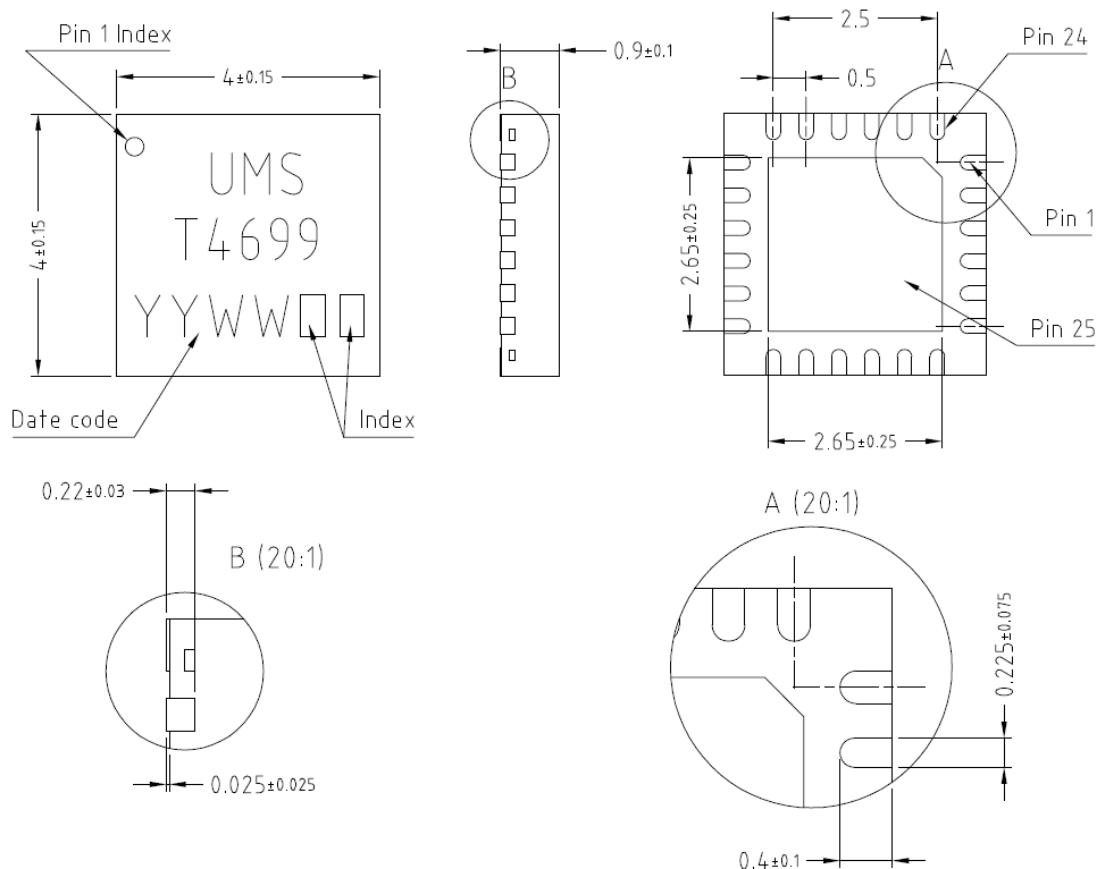


V1=V2





**Package outline <sup>(1)</sup>**



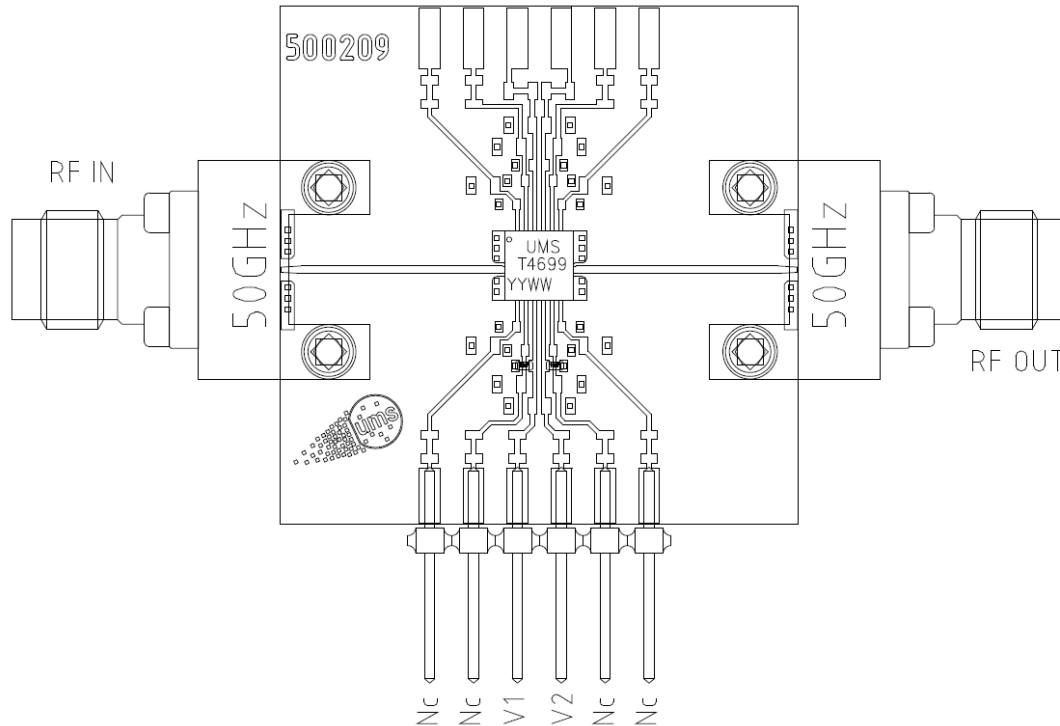
|                     |              |                       |                        |                        |
|---------------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Matt tin, Lead Free | (Green)      | 1- Nc                 | 9- V1                  | 17- Gnd <sup>(2)</sup> |
| Units :             | mm           | 2- Gnd <sup>(2)</sup> | 10- V2                 | 18- Nc                 |
| From the standard : | JEDEC MO-220 | 3- Gnd <sup>(2)</sup> | 11- Nc                 | 19- Nc                 |
|                     | (VGGD)       | 4- RF IN              | 12- Nc                 | 20- Nc                 |
|                     | 25- GND      | 5- Gnd <sup>(2)</sup> | 13- Gnd <sup>(2)</sup> | 21- Nc                 |
|                     |              | 6- Gnd <sup>(2)</sup> | 14- Gnd <sup>(2)</sup> | 22- Nc                 |
|                     |              | 7- Nc                 | 15- RF out             | 23- Nc                 |
|                     |              | 8- Nc                 | 16- Gnd <sup>(2)</sup> | 24- Nc                 |

<sup>(1)</sup> The package outline drawing included to this data-sheet is given for indication. Refer to the application note AN0017 (<http://www.ums-gaas.com>) for exact package dimensions.

<sup>(2)</sup> It is strongly recommended to ground all pins marked “Gnd” through the PCB board. Ensure that the PCB board is designed to provide the best possible ground to the package.

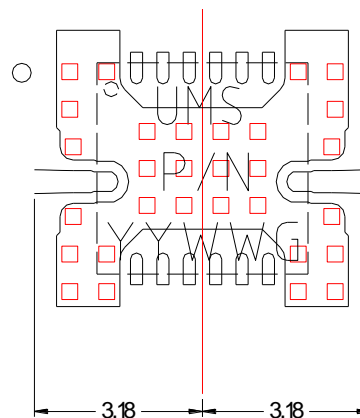
## Evaluation mother board

- Compatible with the proposed footprint.
- Based on typically Ro4003 / 8mils or equivalent.
- Using a micro-strip to coplanar transition to access the package.
- Recommended for the implementation of this product on a module board.
- Decoupling capacitors of 10nF  $\pm 10\%$  are recommended for all DC accesses.
- See application note AN0017 for details.



## Definition of the Sij reference planes

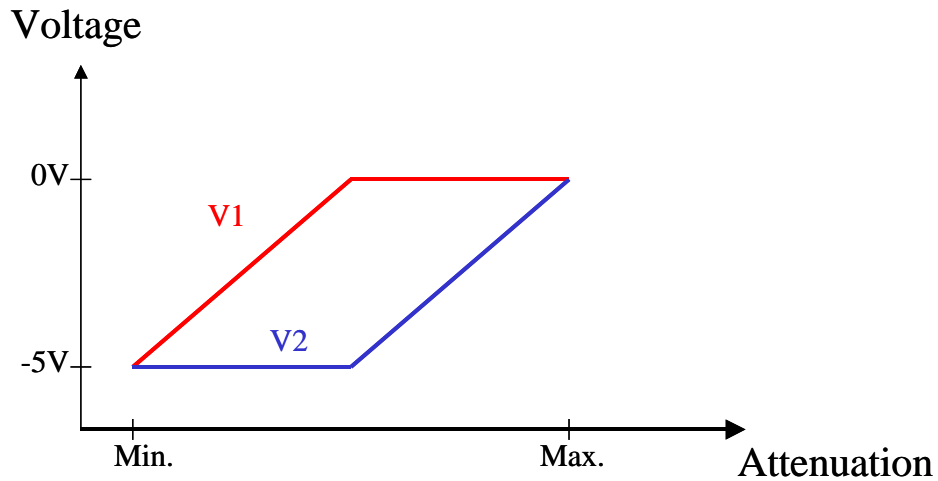
The reference planes used for Sij measurements given above are symmetrical from the symmetrical axis of the package (see drawing beside). The input and output reference planes are located at 3.18mm offset (input wise and output wise respectively) from this axis. Then, the given Sij parameters incorporate the land pattern of the evaluation motherboard recommended in paragraph "Evaluation mother board".



## Biasing sequence

To obtain good performances in linearity, biasing voltage should be applied as following:

- Control of 1<sup>st</sup> stage attenuation with V1 from -5V to 0V, with V2 fixed at -5V
- Control of 2<sup>nd</sup> stage with V2 from -5V to 0V, with V1 fixed at 0V



This part could be also driven in Single Voltage Control, applying the same voltage from -5V to 0V on V1 and V2.

## Recommended package footprint

Refer to the application note AN0017 available at <http://www.ums-gaas.com> for package footprint recommendations and exact package dimensions.

## SMD mounting procedure

For the mounting process standard techniques involving solder paste and a suitable reflow process can be used. For further details, see application note AN0017 available at <http://www.ums-gaas.com>.

## Recommended environmental management

UMS products are compliant with the regulation in particular with the directives RoHS N°2011/65 and REACH N°1907/2006. More environmental data are available in the application note AN0019 also available at <http://www.ums-gaas.com>.

## Recommended ESD management

Refer to the application note AN0020 available at <http://www.ums-gaas.com> for ESD sensitivity and handling recommendations for the UMS package products.

## Ordering Information

QFN 4x4 RoHS compliant package:

CHT4699-QDG

Stick: XY = 20

Tape & reel: XY = 21

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