

### Ka Band 2W Power Amplifier



#### **Product Description**

The TriQuint TGA4516 is a High Power MMIC Amplifier for Ka-band applications. The part is designed using TriQuint's 0.15um power pHEMT process. The small chip size is achieved by utilizing TriQuint's 3 metal layer interconnect (3MI) design technology that allows compaction of the design over competing products.

The TGA4516 provides >33 dBm saturated output power, and has typical gain of 18 dB at a bias of 6V and 1050mA (Idq). The current rises to 1.9A under RF drive.

This HPA is ideally suited for many applications such as Military Radar Systems, Ka-band Sat-Com, and Point-to-Point Radios.

The TGA4516 is 100% DC and RF tested on-wafer to ensure performance compliance.

Lead-Free & RoHS compliant.

### **Key Features**

- 30 40 GHz Bandwidth
- > 33 dBm Nominal Psat @ Pin = 20dBm
- 18 dB Nominal Gain
- Bias: 6 V, 1050 mA Idq (1.9A under RF Drive)
- 0.15 um 3MI pHEMT Technology
- Chip Dimensions: 2.79 x 2.315 x 0.1 mm (0.110 x 0.091 x 0.004) in

**Fixtured Data** 

#### **Primary Applications**

- Military Radar Systems
- Ka-Band Sat-Com
- Point to Point Radio







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# TABLE I MAXIMUM RATINGS 1/

| SYMBOL           | PARAMETER                         | VALUE        | NOTES                 |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| $V^+$            | Positive Supply Voltage           | 6.5 V        | <u>2/</u>             |
| V                | Negative Supply Voltage Range     | -5 TO 0 V    |                       |
| I <sup>+</sup>   | Positive Supply Current           | 3 A          | <u>2</u> / <u>3</u> / |
| I <sub>G</sub>   | Gate Supply Current               | 85 mA        | <u>3</u> /            |
| P <sub>IN</sub>  | Input Continuous Wave Power       | 267 mW       |                       |
| PD               | Power Dissipation                 | 12.7 W       | <u>2/ 4/</u>          |
| T <sub>CH</sub>  | Operating Channel Temperature     | 200 ℃        | <u>5</u> / <u>6</u> / |
|                  | Mounting Temperature (30 Seconds) | 320 °C       |                       |
| T <sub>STG</sub> | Storage Temperature               | -65 to 150 ℃ |                       |

1/ These ratings represent the maximum operable values for this device.

- 2/ Combinations of supply voltage, supply current, input power, and output power shall not exceed P<sub>D</sub>.
- <u>3/</u> Total current for the entire MMIC.
- 4/ When operated at this bias condition with a base plate temperature of 70 °C, the median life is 7.3E3 hrs.
- 5/ Junction operating temperature will directly affect the device median time to failure (Tm). For maximum life, it is recommended that junction temperatures be maintained at the lowest possible levels.
- 6/ These ratings apply to each individual FET.





#### TABLE II ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

(Ta = 25 °C, Nominal)

| PARAMETER               | TYPICAL | UNITS |
|-------------------------|---------|-------|
| Drain Operating         | 6       | V     |
| Quiescent Current       | 1050    | mA    |
| Frequency Range         | 30 - 40 | GHz   |
| Small Signal Gain, S21  | 18      | dB    |
| Input Return Loss, S11  | 10      | dB    |
| Output Return Loss, S22 | 7       | dB    |
| Power @ saturated, Psat | 33      | dBm   |





#### TABLE III THERMAL INFORMATION

| Parameter  | Test Conditions  | T <sub>ch</sub><br>(°C) | θ <sub>JC</sub><br>(°C/W) | Tm<br>(HRS) |
|--|--|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| <b>θ<sub>JC</sub> Thermal Resistance</b><br>(channel to backside of carrier) | Vd = 6 V<br>Id = 1700 mA<br>Freq = 35 GHz<br>Pdiss = 7.8 W | 150                     | 10.2                      | 1E+6        |

Note: Assumes eutectic attach using 1.5 mil 80/20 AuSn mounted to a 20 mil CuMo Carrier at 70°C baseplate temperature. Worst case is at saturated output power when DC power consumption rises to 10.6 W with 2.3 W RF power delivered to load. Power dissipated is 8.2 W and the temperature rise in the channel is 84 °C.

### Median Lifetime (Tm) vs. Channel Temperature







### **Fixtured Performance**

TGA4516 Pout @ Pin =20dBm Vds=6V, Idq=1050mA







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RF Ground is backside of MMIC

| Bond pad #1<br>Bond pad #2<br>Bond pad #3<br>Bond pad #4 | (RF Input)<br>(Vg2)<br>(Vd12)<br>(Vg3) | 0.100 x 0.200 [0.004 x 0.008]<br>0.100 x 0.100 [0.004 x 0.004]<br>0.100 x 0.200 [0.004 x 0.008]<br>0.100 x 0.100 [0.004 x 0.004] |
|--|--|--|
| Bond pad #5  | (Vd3)                                  | 0.100 x 0.100 [0.004 x 0.004]  |
| Bond pad #6  | (RF Output)                            | 0.100 x 0.200 [0.004 x 0.008]  |
| Bond pad #7  | (Vd3)                                  | 0.100 x 0.200 [0.004 x 0.008]  |
| Bond pad #8  | (Vg3)                                  | 0.100 x 0.100 [0.004 x 0.004]  |
| Bond pad #9  | (Vd12)                                 | 0.100 x 0.200 [0.004 x 0.008]  |
| Bond pad #10   | (Vg2)                                  | 0.100 x 0.100 [0.004 x 0.004]  |

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### **Chip Assembly Diagram**



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#### **Assembly Process Notes**

Reflow process assembly notes:

- Use AuSn (80/20) solder with limited exposure to temperatures at or above 300°C (30 seconds max).
- An alloy station or conveyor furnace with reducing atmosphere should be used.
- No fluxes should be utilized.
- Coefficient of thermal expansion matching is critical for long-term reliability.
- Devices must be stored in a dry nitrogen atmosphere.

Component placement and adhesive attachment assembly notes:

- Vacuum pencils and/or vacuum collets are the preferred method of pick up.
- Air bridges must be avoided during placement.
- The force impact is critical during auto placement.
- Organic attachment can be used in low-power applications.
- Curing should be done in a convection oven; proper exhaust is a safety concern.
- Microwave or radiant curing should not be used because of differential heating.
- Coefficient of thermal expansion matching is critical.

Interconnect process assembly notes:

- Thermosonic ball bonding is the preferred interconnect technique.
- Force, time, and ultrasonics are critical parameters.
- Aluminum wire should not be used.
- Maximum stage temperature is 200°C.

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