

1. Product profile

1.1 General description

A 1200 W LDMOS power transistor for broadcast applications and industrial applications in the HF to 110 MHz band.

Table 1. Application information

Test signal	f (MHz)	V _{DS} (V)	P _L (W)	G _p (dB)	η _D (%)
CW	108	50	1000	26	75
pulsed RF	108	50	1200	28.5	75

1.2 Features and benefits

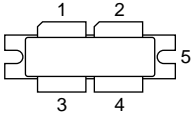
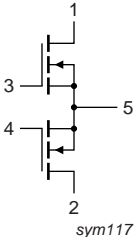
- Typical pulsed performance at frequency of 108 MHz, a supply voltage of 50 V and an I_{Dq} of 40 mA, a t_p of 100 μs with δ of 20 %:
 - ◆ Output power = 1200 W
 - ◆ Power gain = 28.5 dB
 - ◆ Efficiency = 75 %
- Easy power control
- Integrated ESD protection
- Excellent ruggedness
- High efficiency
- Excellent thermal stability
- Designed for broadband operation (10 MHz to 110 MHz)
- Compliant to Directive 2002/95/EC, regarding Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)

1.3 Applications

- Industrial, scientific and medical applications
- FM transmitter applications

2. Pinning information

Table 2. Pinning

Pin	Description	Simplified outline	Graphic symbol
1	drain1		 sym117
2	drain2		
3	gate1		
4	gate2		
5	source		

[1] Connected to flange.

3. Ordering information

Table 3. Ordering information

Type number	Package		
	Name	Description	Version
BLF178P	-	flanged balanced LDMOST ceramic package; 2 mounting holes; 4 leads	SOT539A

4. Limiting values

Table 4. Limiting values

In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 60134).

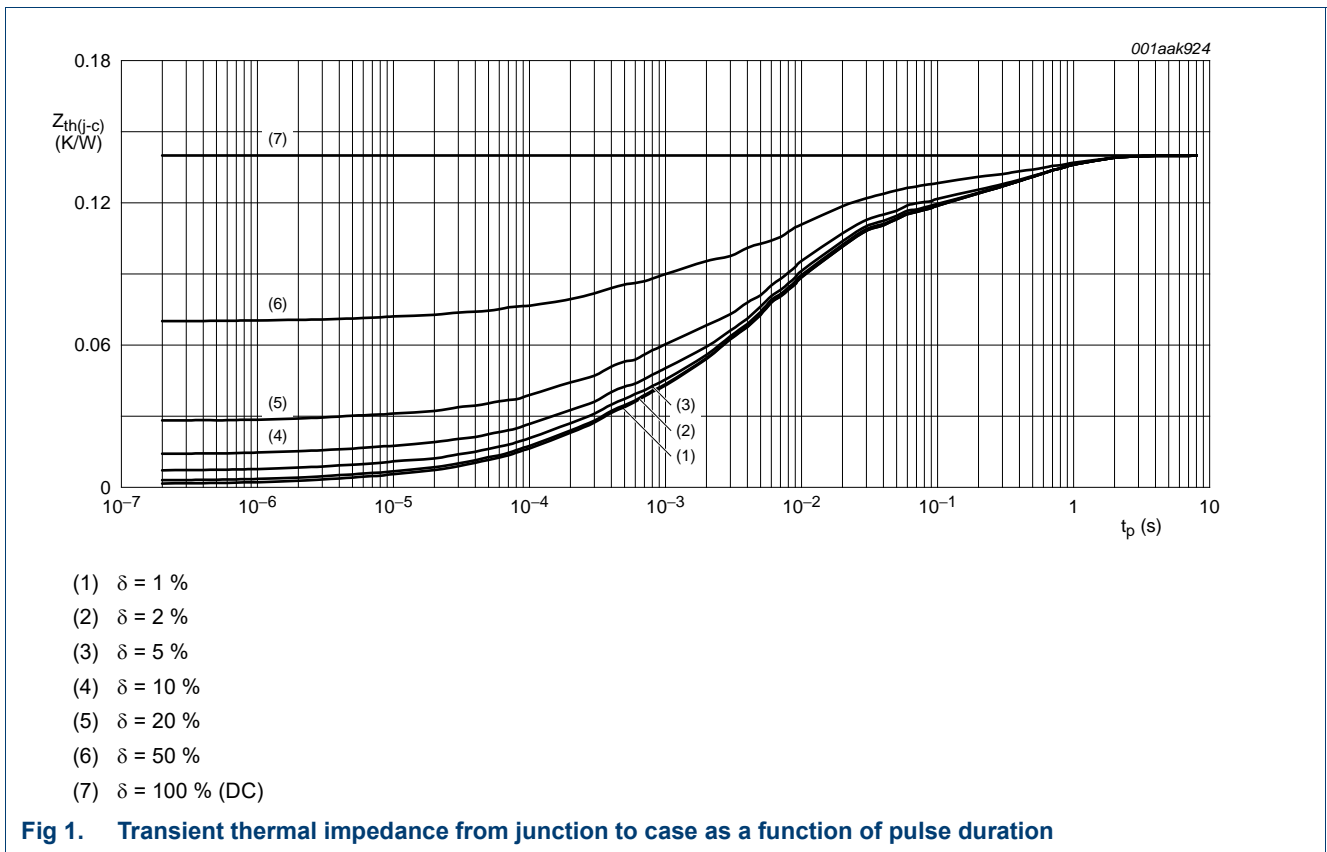
Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Max	Unit
V_{DS}	drain-source voltage		-	110	V
V_{GS}	gate-source voltage		-0.5	+11	V
I_D	drain current		-	88	A
T_{stg}	storage temperature		-65	+150	°C
T_j	junction temperature		-	225	°C

5. Thermal characteristics

Table 5. Thermal characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Typ	Unit
$R_{th(j-c)}$	thermal resistance from junction to case	$T_j = 150\text{ °C}$	[1][2] 0.14	K/W
$Z_{th(j-c)}$	transient thermal impedance from junction to case	$T_j = 150\text{ °C}; t_p = 100\text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta = 20\text{ %}$	[3] 0.04	K/W

- [1] T_j is the junction temperature.
- [2] $R_{th(j-c)}$ is measured under RF conditions.
- [3] See [Figure 1](#).



6. Characteristics

Table 6. DC characteristics
 $T_j = 25\text{ °C};$ per section unless otherwise specified.

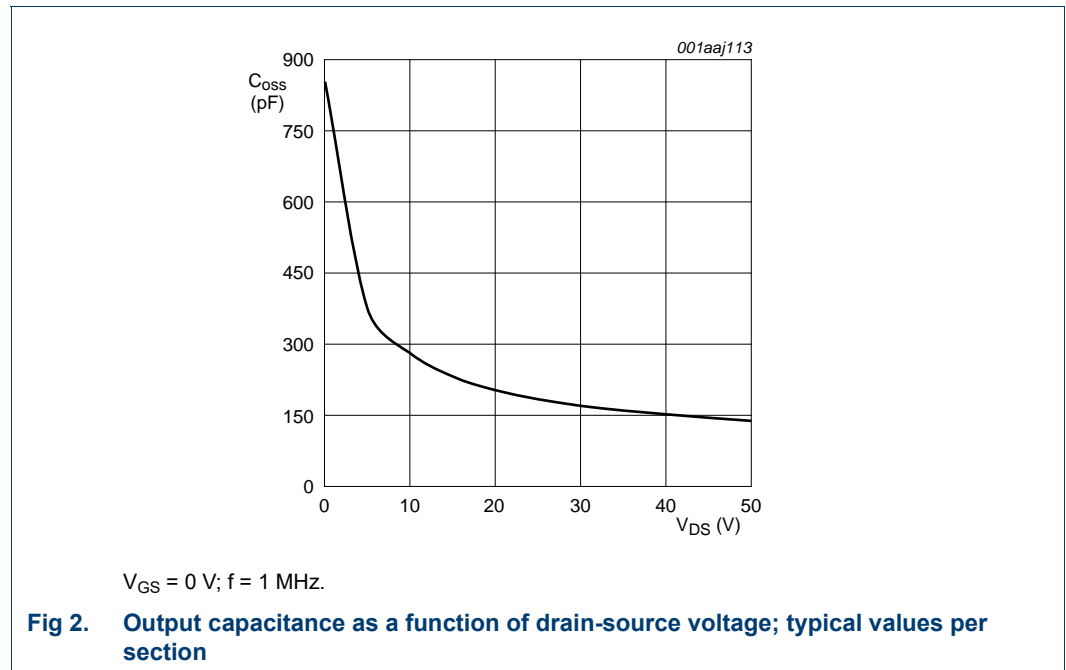
Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
$V_{(BR)DSS}$	drain-source breakdown voltage	$V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}; I_D = 2.5\text{ mA}$	110	-	-	V
$V_{GS(th)}$	gate-source threshold voltage	$V_{DS} = 10\text{ V}; I_D = 500\text{ mA}$	1.25	1.7	2.25	V
V_{GSq}	gate-source quiescent voltage	$V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}; I_D = 20\text{ mA}$	0.8	1.3	1.8	V
I_{DSS}	drain leakage current	$V_{GS} = 0\text{ V}; V_{DS} = 50\text{ V}$	-	-	2.8	μA

Table 6. DC characteristics ...continued
T_j = 25 °C; per section unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
I _{DSX}	drain cut-off current	V _{GS} = V _{GS(th)} + 3.75 V; V _{DS} = 10 V	58	71	-	A
I _{GSS}	gate leakage current	V _{GS} = 11 V; V _{DS} = 0 V	-	-	280	nA
R _{DS(on)}	drain-source on-state resistance	V _{GS} = V _{GS(th)} + 3.75 V; I _D = 16.66 A	-	0.07	-	Ω
C _{rs}	feedback capacitance	V _{GS} = 0 V; V _{DS} = 50 V; f = 1 MHz	-	3	-	pF
C _{iss}	input capacitance	V _{GS} = 0 V; V _{DS} = 50 V; f = 1 MHz	-	403	-	pF
C _{oss}	output capacitance	V _{GS} = 0 V; V _{DS} = 50 V; f = 1 MHz	-	138	-	pF

Table 7. RF characteristics
Test signal: pulsed RF; t_p = 100 μs; δ = 20 %; f = 108 MHz; RF performance at V_{DS} = 50 V; I_{DQ} = 40 mA; T_{case} = 25 °C; unless otherwise specified; in a class-AB production test circuit.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
G _p	power gain	P _L = 1200 W	27	28.5	31	dB
RL _{in}	input return loss	P _L = 1200 W	-	-16	-12	dB
η _D	drain efficiency	P _L = 1200 W	71	75	-	%



6.1 Ruggedness in class-AB operation

The BLF178P is capable of withstanding a load mismatch corresponding to VSWR = 13 : 1 through all phases under the following conditions: V_{DS} = 50 V; I_{DQ} = 40 mA; P_L = 1200 W pulsed; f = 108 MHz.

7. Test information

7.1 Impedance information

Table 8. Typical impedance
Simulated Z_S and Z_L test circuit impedances.

f	Z_S	Z_L
MHz	Ω	Ω
108	$3.91 - j3.56$	$3.59 - j1.73$

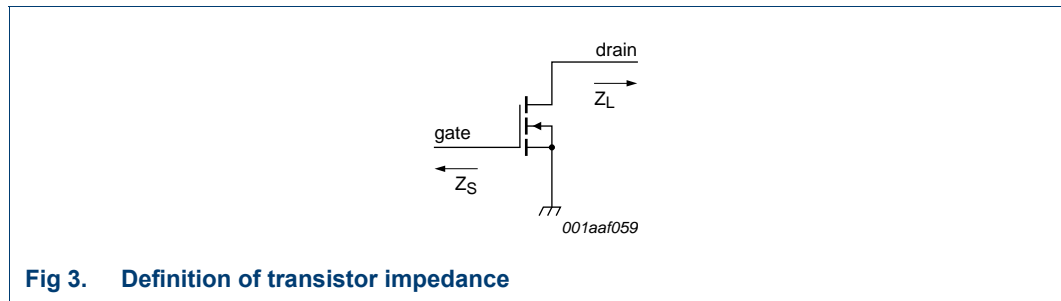
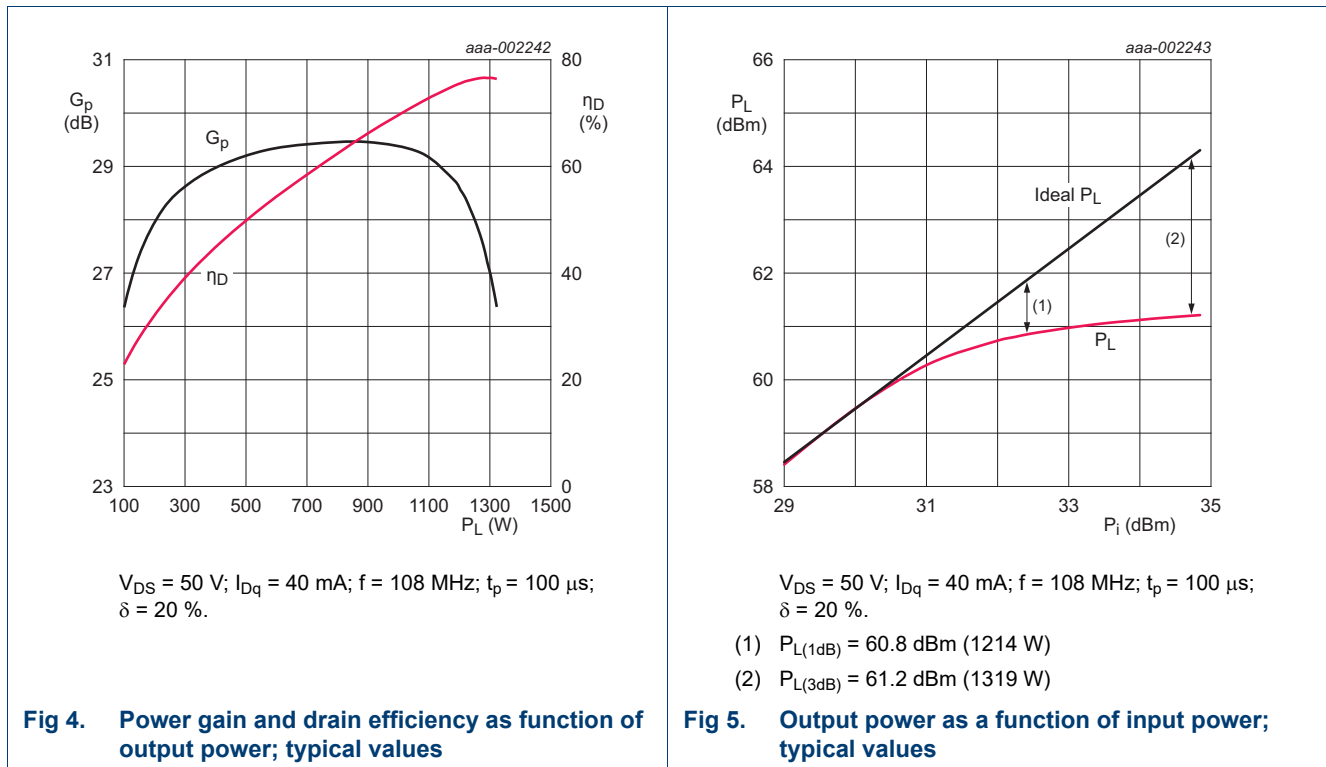


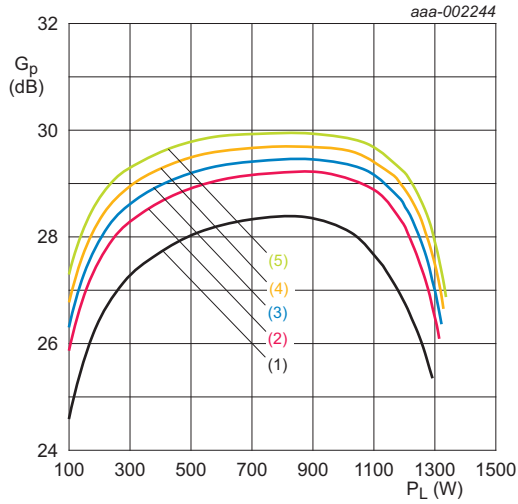
Fig 3. Definition of transistor impedance

7.2 RF performance

The following figures are measured in a class-AB production test circuit.

7.2.1 1-Tone CW pulsed

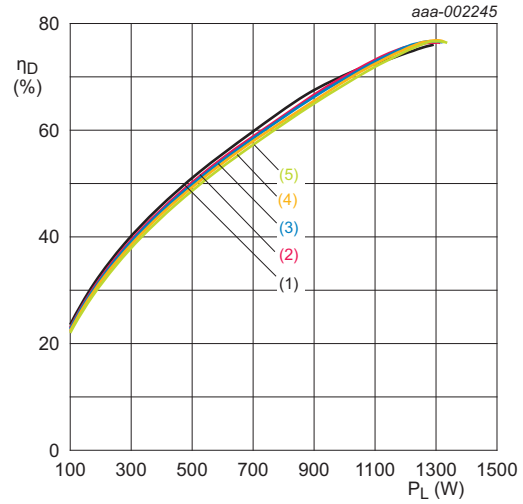




$V_{DS} = 50 \text{ V}; f = 108 \text{ MHz}; t_p = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta = 20 \text{ \%}$.

- (1) $I_{Dq} = 0 \text{ mA}$
- (2) $I_{Dq} = 20 \text{ mA}$
- (3) $I_{Dq} = 40 \text{ mA}$
- (4) $I_{Dq} = 80 \text{ mA}$
- (5) $I_{Dq} = 160 \text{ mA}$

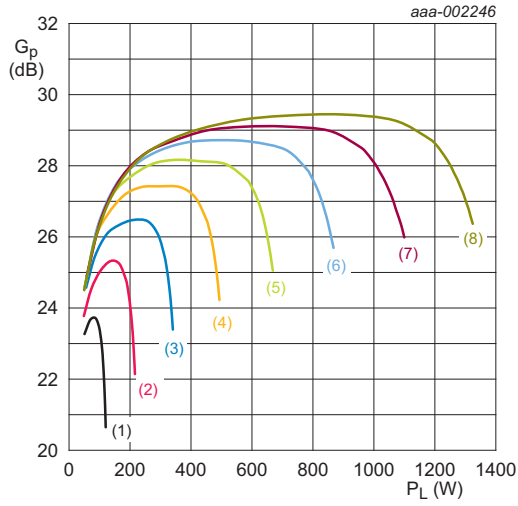
Fig 6. Power gain as a function of output power; typical values



$V_{DS} = 50 \text{ V}; f = 108 \text{ MHz}; t_p = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{s}; \delta = 20 \text{ \%}$.

- (1) $I_{Dq} = 0 \text{ mA}$
- (2) $I_{Dq} = 20 \text{ mA}$
- (3) $I_{Dq} = 40 \text{ mA}$
- (4) $I_{Dq} = 80 \text{ mA}$
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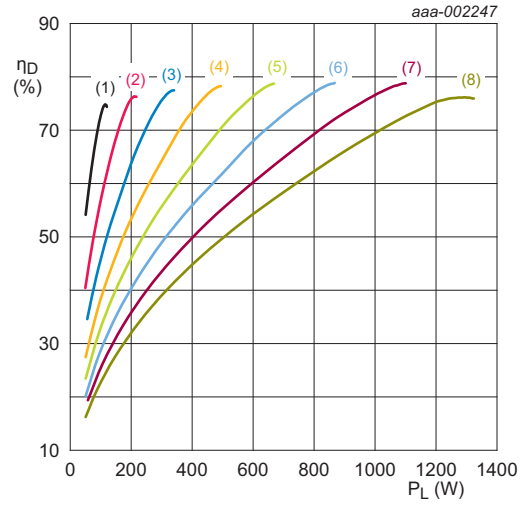
Fig 7. Drain efficiency as a function of output power; typical values



$I_{Dq} = 40 \text{ mA}$; $f = 108 \text{ MHz}$; $t_p = 100 \text{ }\mu\text{s}$; $\delta = 20 \text{ }\%$.

- (1) $V_{DS} = 15 \text{ V}$
- (2) $V_{DS} = 20 \text{ V}$
- (3) $V_{DS} = 25 \text{ V}$
- (4) $V_{DS} = 30 \text{ V}$
- (5) $V_{DS} = 35 \text{ V}$
- (6) $V_{DS} = 40 \text{ V}$
- (7) $V_{DS} = 45 \text{ V}$
- (8) $V_{DS} = 50 \text{ V}$

Fig 8. Power gain as a function of output power; typical values

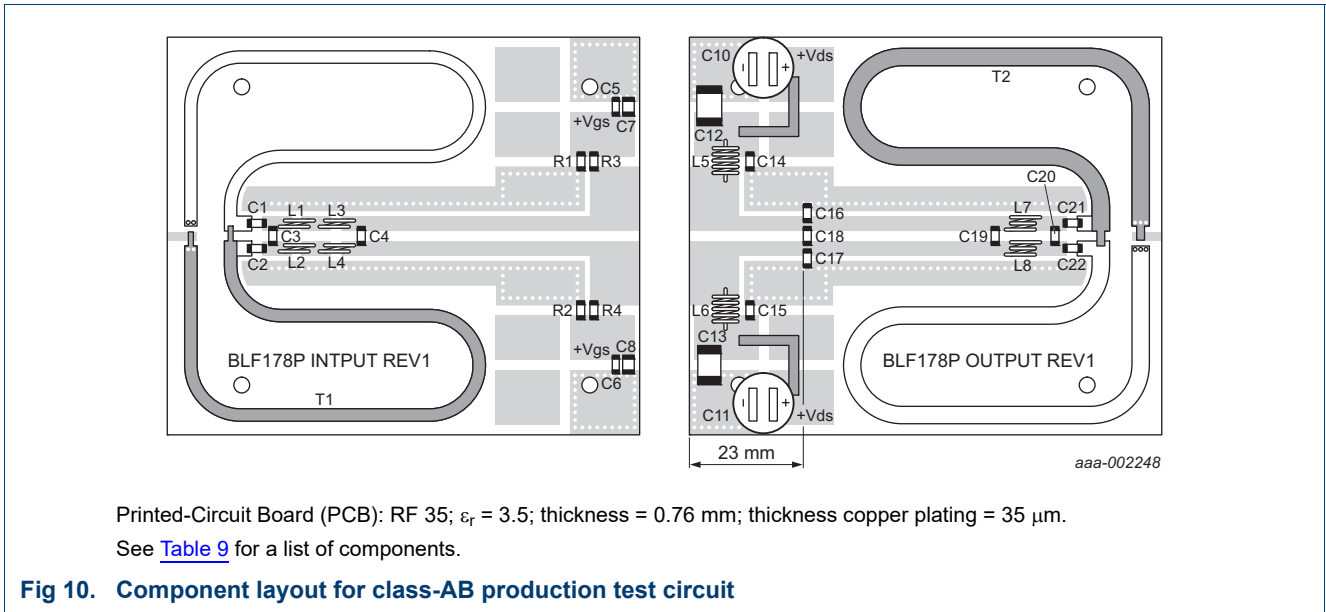


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- (1) $V_{DS} = 15 \text{ V}$
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- (4) $V_{DS} = 30 \text{ V}$
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- (6) $V_{DS} = 40 \text{ V}$
- (7) $V_{DS} = 45 \text{ V}$
- (8) $V_{DS} = 50 \text{ V}$

Fig 9. Drain efficiency as a function of output power; typical values

7.3 Test circuit



Printed-Circuit Board (PCB): RF 35; $\epsilon_r = 3.5$; thickness = 0.76 mm; thickness copper plating = 35 μm .
 See [Table 9](#) for a list of components.

Fig 10. Component layout for class-AB production test circuit

Table 9. List of components

For test circuit see [Figure 10](#).

Component	Description	Value	Remarks
C1, C2, C5, C6, C14, C15, C21, C22	multilayer ceramic chip capacitor	1 nF	[1]
C3	multilayer ceramic chip capacitor	82 pF	[1]
C4	multilayer ceramic chip capacitor	240 pF	[1]
C7, C8	multilayer ceramic chip capacitor	4.7 μF ; 50 V	
C10, C11	electrolytic capacitor	1000 μF ; 63 V	
C12, C13	multilayer ceramic chip capacitor	4.7 μF ; 100 V	
C16, C17	multilayer ceramic chip capacitor	120 pF	[1]
C18	multilayer ceramic chip capacitor	82 pF	[1]
C19	multilayer ceramic chip capacitor	110 pF	[1]
C20	multilayer ceramic chip capacitor	56 pF	[1]
L1, L2, L3, L4	1.5 turn 0.8 mm copper wire	D = 3 mm; length = 2 mm	
L5, L6	5 turn 0.8 mm copper wire	D = 3 mm; length = 4.5 mm	
L7, L8	2.5 turn 0.8 mm copper wire	D = 3 mm; length = 3 mm	
R1, R2	SMD resistor	100 Ω	Philips 1206
R3, R4	SMD resistor	9.1 Ω	Philips 1206
T1	semi rigid coax	25 Ω ; 160 mm	UT-090C-25
T2	semi rigid coax	25 Ω ; 160 mm	UT-141C-25

[1] American Technical Ceramics type 800B or capacitor of same quality.

8. Package outline

Flanged balanced ceramic package; 2 mounting holes; 4 leads

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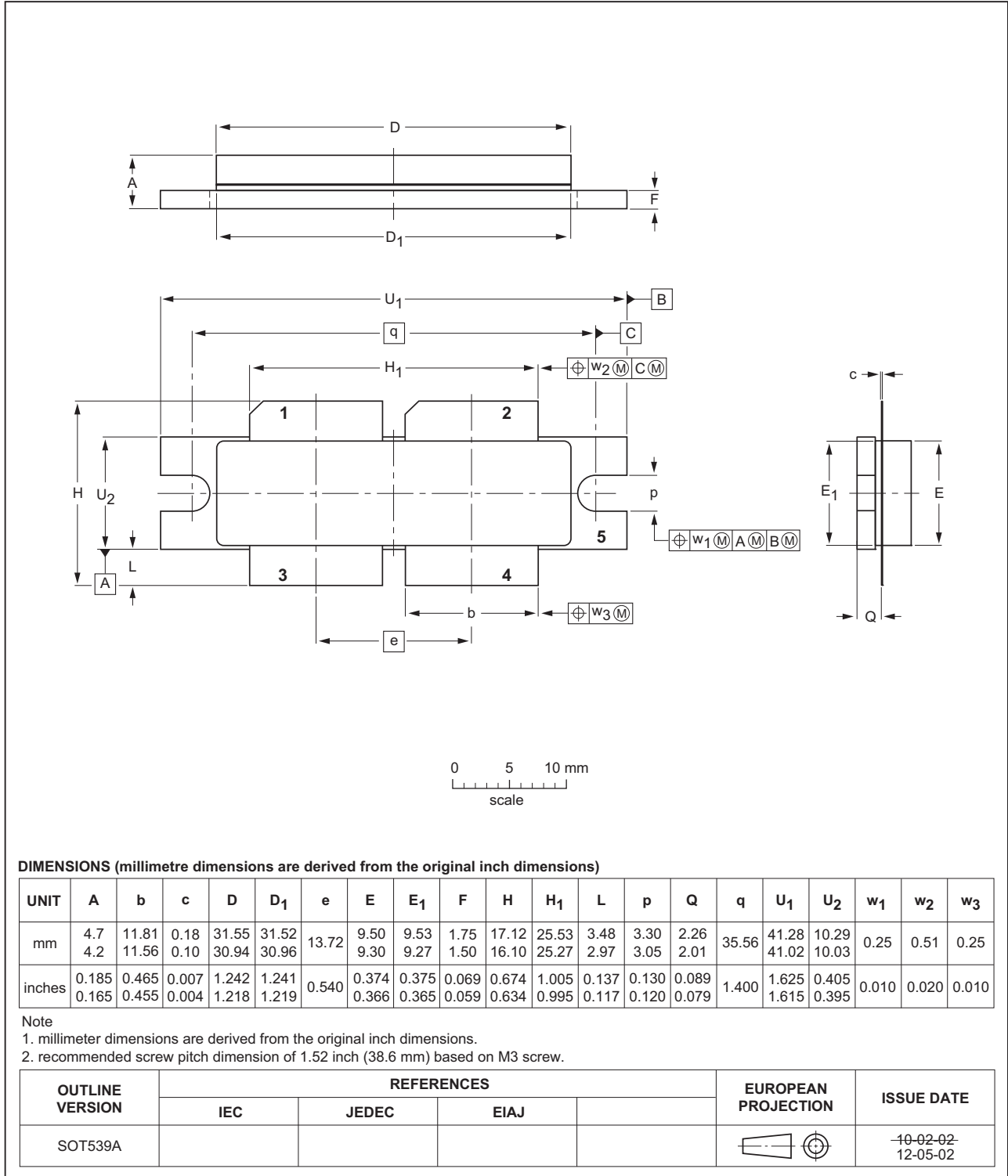


Fig 11. Package outline SOT539A

9. Handling information

CAUTION



This device is sensitive to ElectroStatic Discharge (ESD). Therefore care should be taken during transport and handling.

10. Abbreviations

Table 10. Abbreviations

Acronym	Description
CW	Continuous Wave
DC	Direct Current
ESD	ElectroStatic Discharge
FM	Frequency Modulation
HF	High Frequency
LDMOS	Laterally Diffused Metal-Oxide Semiconductor
LDMOST	Laterally Diffused Metal-Oxide Semiconductor Transistor
RF	Radio Frequency
SMD	Surface Mounted Device
VSWR	Voltage Standing-Wave Ratio

11. Revision history

Table 11. Revision history

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BLF178P v.1	20110405	Objective data sheet	-	-

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