MRF101AN 13.56 MHz COMPACT REFERENCE CIRCUIT

ORDERABLE PART NUMBER: MRF101AN-13MHZ





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Introduction

- The NXP MRF<u>101</u>AN is a 1.8-250 MHz, 100 W CW RF power LDMOS transistor housed in a TO-220 overmolded plastic package. Its unmatched input and output allows wide frequency range utilization.
 - Further details about the device, including its data sheet, are available on <u>www.nxp.com/MRF101AN</u>.
- The following pages describe the 13.56 MHz compact reference circuit (evaluation board). Its typical applications are industrial, scientific, medical (ISM), RF energy and plasma generation.
 - Other reference circuits can be found on <u>www.nxp.com/MRF101CIRCUITS</u>.
- The reference circuit can be ordered through NXP's distribution partners and etailers using part number MRF101AN-13MHZ.





Circuit Overview – 1.8 cm × 5.0 cm (0.71" × 1.96")



Aluminum baseplate: $1.8 \text{ cm} \times 6.7 \text{ cm} (0.71'' \times 2.64'')$



Typical CW Performance



Typical Performance (P3dB):

 V_{DD} = 50 Vdc, I_{DQ} = 100 mA, P_{in} = 0.25 W (24 dBm), CW

| Frequency | Output Power | Power Gain | Drain Efficiency |
|-----------|--------------|------------|------------------|
| (MHz) | (W) | (dB) | (%) |
| 13.56 | 130 | 27.1 | |



Typical CW Performance





Quick Start

- 1. Mount the reference circuit onto a heatsink capable of dissipating more than 50 W in order to provide enough thermal dissipation (the baseplate included in this reference circuit is not sufficient to serve as a standalone heatsink).
- 2. Terminate the RF output with a 50 ohm load capable of handling more than 130 W.
- 3. Connect the RF input to a 50 ohm source with the RF off.
- 4. Connect the ground.
- 5. Connect the gate voltage, set to 0 V.
- 6. Connect the drain voltage (V_{DD}) and raise slowly to 50 V. Current should be 0 A.
- 7. Raise the gate voltage slowly until the drain current reaches the desired level (drain quiescent current I_{DQ} = 100 mA typically). The gate voltage should be around 2.5 V.
- 8. Raise the RF input slowly to 0.25 W (24 dBm).
- 9. Check the RF output power (typically 130 W), the drain current (typically around 3 A for this power level) and the temperature of the board.





MRF101AN Compact PCB

Same PCB for all MRF101AN Compact Reference Circuits





Component Placement Reference





Assembly Details



The PCB is screwed to the baseplate with #2-56 screws.

The MRF101AN is screwed to the baseplate with a #4-40 hex screw, a flat washer, a lock washer and thermal grease beneath the transistor.



Bill of Materials

| Part | Description | Part Number | Manufacturer |
|---------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------|
| B1 | Short RF Bead | 2743019447 | Fair-Rite |
| C1, C2, C9, C10, C12, C13 | 0.01 μF Chip Capacitor | GRM21BR72A103KA01B | Murata |
| C3 | 33 pF Chip Capacitor | GQM2195C2E330GB12D | Murata |
| C4 | 360 pF Chip Capacitor | GRM2165C2A361JA01D | Murata |
| C5 | 390 pF Chip Capacitor | GRM2165C2A391JA01D | Murata |
| C6 | 68 pF Chip Capacitor | GQM2195C2E680GB12D | Murata |
| C7 | 200 pF Chip Capacitor | GQM2195C2A201GB12D | Murata |
| C8 | 0.01 μF Chip Capacitor | 200B103KT50XT | ATC |
| C11 | 1 μF Chip Capacitor | GRM21BR71H105KA12L | Murata |
| C14 | 1 μF Chip Capacitor | C3216X7R2A105K160AA | TDK |
| L1 | 820 nH Chip Inductor | 0805WL821JT | ATC |
| L2 | 4 Turn, #20 AWG, ID = 0.2" Inductor, Hand Wound | 8076 | Belden |
| L3 | 500 nH Square Air Core Inductor | 2929SQ-501JE | Coilcraft |
| L4 | 330 nH Square Air Core Inductor | 2929SQ-331JE | Coilcraft |
| Q1 | RF Power LDMOS Transistor | MRF101AN | NXP |
| R1 | 75 Ω, 1/4 W Chip Resistor | SG73P2ATTD75R0F | KOA Speer |
| PCB | FR4 0.09″, ε _r = 4.8, 2 oz. Copper | D113958 | MTL |



Impedances

| $13.56 	 25.3 + j10.2 	 11.3 - j6.4$ $Z_{source} = \text{Test circuit impedance as measured from gate to ground.}$ $Z_{load} = \text{Test circuit impedance as measured from drain to ground.}$ $50 \ \Omega 1000000000000000000000000000000000000$ | | f (MHz) | Z _{source} (Ω) | Z _{load} (Ω) | |
|--|-------|-------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| gate to ground. $Z_{load} = \text{Test circuit impedance as measured from}$ $Input$ $Matching$ $Network$ $Input$ $Matching$ $Network$ $Input$ $Matching$ $Network$ $Input$ $Inpu$ | | 13.56 | 25.3 + j10.2 | 11.3 – j6.4 | |
| drain to ground. Input Matching Network 50Ω | | | | as measured fr | om |
| 50 Ω Matching Network Under Test Matching Network Matching Network 50 Ω | | | • | as measured fr | om |
| | Matel | hing ork | Under | > | Matching |

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Revision History

The following table summarizes revisions to the content of the MRF101AN 13.56 MHz Reference Circuit zip file.

| Revision | Date | Description |
|----------|----------------|---|
| 0 | June 2019 | Initial Release |
| 1 | September 2019 | Added license statement, general updates to align copy to current standard. |





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