

MRF231 (SILICON)

The RF Line

NPN SILICON RF POWER TRANSISTORS

... designed for 12.5 Volt, mid-band large-signal amplifier applications in industrial and commercial FM equipment operating in the 40 to 100 MHz range.

- Specified 12.5 Volt, 90 MHz Characteristics –
Output Power = 3.5 Watts
Minimum Gain = 10 dB
Efficiency = 55%
- 100% Tested for Load Mismatch at all Phase Angles with 30:1 VSWR
- Characterized with Series Equivalent Large-Signal Impedance Parameters
- Characterized with Parallel Equivalent Large-Signal Impedance Parameters

MAXIMUM RATINGS

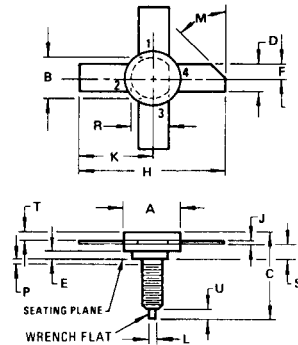
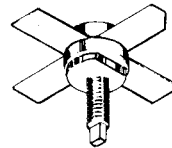
| Rating | Symbol | Value | Unit |
|--|-----------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Collector-Emitter Voltage | V_{CEO} | 18 | Vdc |
| Collector-Base Voltage | V_{CBO} | 36 | Vdc |
| Emitter-Base Voltage | V_{EBO} | 4.0 | Vdc |
| Collector Current – Continuous | I_C | 1.0 | Adc |
| Total Device Dissipation @ $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$ (1) Derate above 25°C | P_D | 10 57.1 | Watts mW/ $^\circ\text{C}$ |
| Storage Temperature Range | T_{stg} | -65 to +200 | $^\circ\text{C}$ |
| Stud Torque (2) | — | 6.5 | In-Lb. |

THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS

| Characteristic | Symbol | Max | Unit |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|------|---------------------------|
| Thermal Resistance, Junction to Case | $R_{\theta JC}$ | 17.5 | $^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$ |

- (1) These devices are designed for RF operation. The total device dissipation rating applies only when the devices are operated as Class C RF Amplifiers.
(2) For repeated assembly use 5 In-Lb.

3.5 W – 90 MHz
RF POWER
TRANSISTOR
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STYLE 1
PIN 1 EMITTER
2 BASE
3 COLLECTOR
4 COLLECTOR

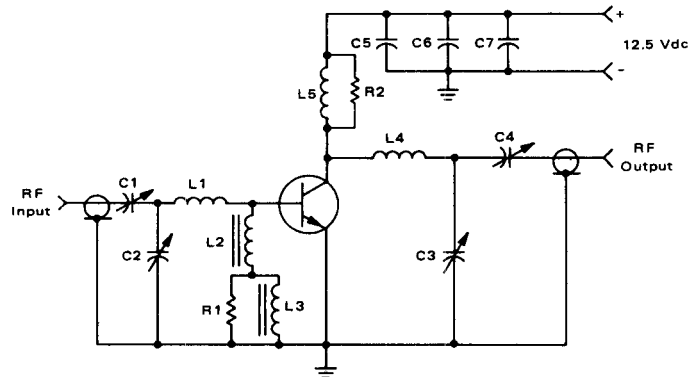
| DIM | MILLIMETERS | | INCHES | |
|-----|-------------|-------|---------|-------|
| | MIN | MAX | MIN | MAX |
| A | 9.40 | 9.78 | 0.370 | 0.385 |
| B | 8.13 | 8.38 | 0.320 | 0.330 |
| C | 18.03 | 19.05 | 0.710 | 0.750 |
| D | 5.59 | 5.84 | 0.220 | 0.230 |
| E | 1.78 | 2.03 | 0.070 | 0.080 |
| F | 2.79 | 2.92 | 0.110 | 0.115 |
| H | 26.42 | 28.70 | 1.040 | 1.130 |
| J | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.004 | 0.006 |
| K | 13.21 | 14.35 | 0.520 | 0.565 |
| L | 1.40 | 1.65 | 0.055 | 0.065 |
| M | 45° NOM | | 45° NOM | |
| P | — | 1.27 | — | 0.050 |
| R | 7.59 | 7.90 | 0.299 | 0.307 |
| S | 4.01 | 4.52 | 0.158 | 0.178 |
| T | 2.16 | 2.41 | 0.085 | 0.095 |
| U | 2.54 | 3.30 | 0.100 | 0.130 |

NOTE
CASE 145A 01 USE 8 32NC2A STUD
CASE 145A-01

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS ($T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$ unless otherwise noted.)

| Characteristic | Symbol | Min | Max | Unit |
|--|------------|--|-----|------|
| OFF CHARACTERISTICS | | | | |
| Collector-Emitter Breakdown Voltage ($I_C = 25 \text{ mAdc}, I_B = 0$) | BV_{CEO} | 18 | — | Vdc |
| Collector-Emitter Breakdown Voltage ($I_C = 25 \text{ mAdc}, V_{BE} = 0$) | BV_{CES} | 36 | — | Vdc |
| Emitter-Base Breakdown Voltage ($I_E = 0.25 \text{ mAdc}, I_C = 0$) | BV_{EBO} | 4.0 | — | Vdc |
| Collector Cutoff Current ($V_{CB} = 15 \text{ Vdc}, I_E = 0$) | I_{CBO} | — | 0.5 | mAdc |
| ON CHARACTERISTICS | | | | |
| DC Current Gain ($I_C = 250 \text{ mAdc}, V_{CE} = 5.0 \text{ Vdc}$) | h_{FE} | 5.0 | — | — |
| DYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS | | | | |
| Output Capacitance ($V_{CB} = 12.5 \text{ Vdc}, I_E = 0, f = 1.0 \text{ MHz}$) | C_{ob} | — | 25 | pF |
| FUNCTIONAL TESTS (Figure 1) | | | | |
| Common-Emitter Amplifier Power Gain ($V_{CC} = 12.5 \text{ Vdc}, P_{out} = 3.5 \text{ W}, f = 90 \text{ MHz}$) | G_{pE} | 10 | — | dB |
| Collector Efficiency ($V_{CC} = 12.5 \text{ Vdc}, P_{out} = 3.5 \text{ W}, f = 90 \text{ MHz}$) | η | 55 | — | % |
| Load Mismatch ($V_{CC} = 12.5 \text{ Vdc}, P_{out} = 3.5 \text{ W}, f = 90 \text{ MHz}, T_C \leq 25^\circ\text{C}$) | — | VSWR > 30:1 Through All Phase Angles in 3 Second Interval After Which Devices Will Meet G_{pE} Test Limits | | |

FIGURE 1 – 90 MHz TEST CIRCUIT SCHEMATIC



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|--------|--|------------------------------------|---|
| C1, C3 | 9.0-180 pF, ARCO 463 | L3 | 1.5 μH , 9230-24 MILLER Molded Choke |
| C2, C4 | 25-280 pF, ARCO 464 | L4 | 3 Turns, #18 AWG, 3/8" I.D., 1/2" Long |
| C5 | 1000 pF, UNELCO | L5 | 10 Turns, Wound on R2 |
| C6 | 0.047 μF , ERIE Disc Ceramic | R1 | 15 Ohm, 1/2 W, 10% Carbon |
| C7 | 10 μF , 15 Vdc TANTALUM | R2 | 220 Ohm, 1 W, Carbon |
| L1 | 2 Turns, #18 AWG, 3/8" I.D., 1/2" Long | Input/Output Connectors – Type BNC | |
| L2 | 22 μH , 9230-52 MILLER Molded Choke | | |

FIGURE 2 – OUTPUT POWER versus INPUT POWER

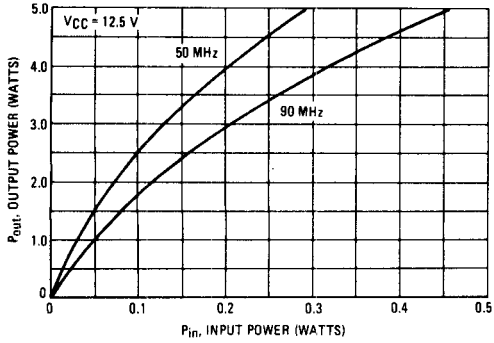


FIGURE 3 – OUTPUT POWER versus FREQUENCY

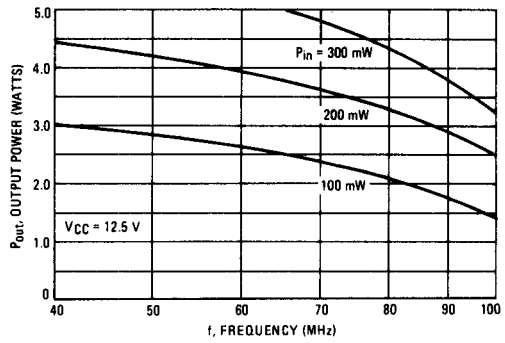


FIGURE 4 – OUTPUT POWER versus SUPPLY VOLTAGE

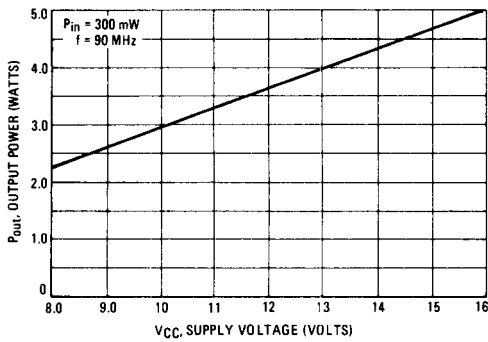
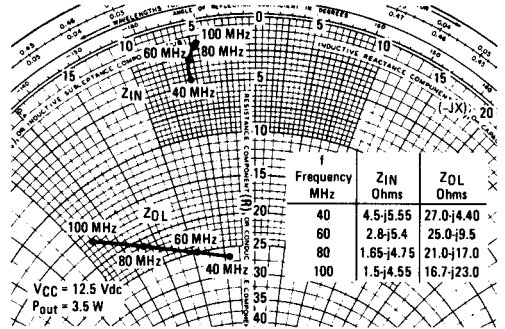
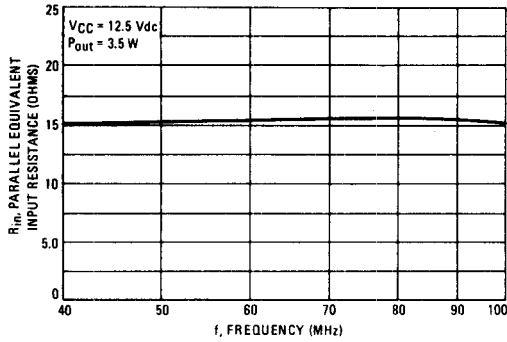


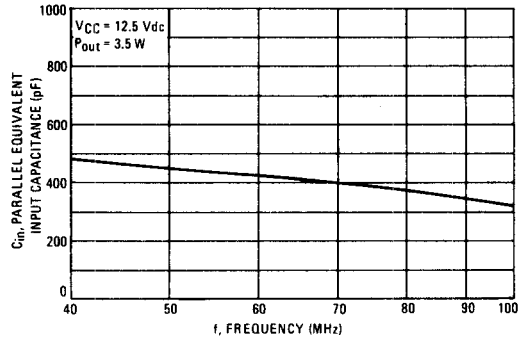
FIGURE 5 – SERIES EQUIVALENT IMPEDANCE



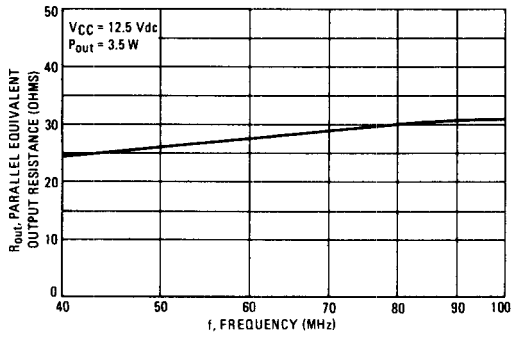
**FIGURE 6 – PARALLEL EQUIVALENT INPUT RESISTANCE
versus FREQUENCY**



**FIGURE 7 – PARALLEL EQUIVALENT INPUT CAPACITANCE
versus FREQUENCY**



**FIGURE 8 – PARALLEL EQUIVALENT OUTPUT RESISTANCE
versus FREQUENCY**



**FIGURE 9 – PARALLEL EQUIVALENT OUTPUT CAPACITANCE
versus FREQUENCY**

