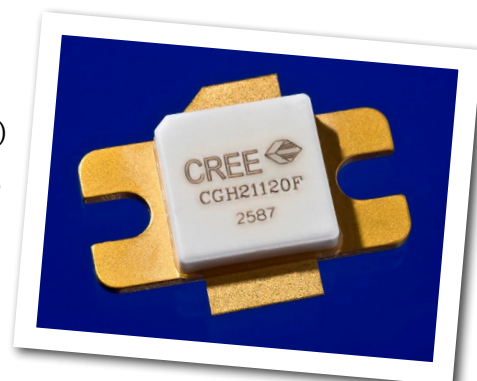


# CGH21120F

120 W, 1800-2300 MHz, GaN HEMT for WCDMA, LTE, WiMAX

Cree's CGH21120F is a gallium nitride (GaN) high electron mobility transistor (HEMT) designed specifically for high efficiency, high gain and wide bandwidth capabilities, which makes the CGH21120F ideal for 1.8-2.3 GHz WCDMA and LTE amplifier applications. The transistor is supplied in a ceramic/metal flange package.



Package Type: 440162  
PN: CGH21120F

## Typical Performance Over 2.0-2.3GHz ( $T_c = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ) of Demonstration Amplifier

| Parameter                 | 2.0 GHz | 2.1 GHz | 2.2 GHz | 2.3 GHz | Units |
|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| Gain @ 43 dBm             | 14.0    | 15.0    | 15.0    | 14.5    | dB    |
| ACLR @ 43 dBm             | -36.5   | -36.0   | -34.0   | -33.5   | dBc   |
| Drain Efficiency @ 43 dBm | 33.5    | 34.5    | 36.5    | 40.0    | %     |

### Note:

Measured in the CGH21120F-AMP amplifier circuit, under WCDMA 3GPP test model 1, 64 DPCH, 67% clipping, PAR = 8.81 dB @ 0.01 % Probability on CCDF.

## Features

- 1.8 - 2.3 GHz Operation
- 15 dB Gain
- -35 dBc ACLR at 20 W  $P_{AVE}$
- 35 % Efficiency at 20 W  $P_{AVE}$
- High Degree of DPD Correction Can be Applied



Large Signal Models Available for ADS and MWO

## Absolute Maximum Ratings (not simultaneous) at 25°C Case Temperature

| Parameter                                         | Symbol          | Rating    | Units | Conditions |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-------|------------|
| Drain-Source Voltage                              | $V_{DS}$        | 84        | Volts | 25°C       |
| Gate-to-Source Voltage                            | $V_{GS}$        | -10, +2   | Volts | 25°C       |
| Power Dissipation                                 | $P_{DISS}$      | 56        | Watts |            |
| Storage Temperature                               | $T_{STG}$       | -65, +150 | °C    |            |
| Operating Junction Temperature                    | $T_J$           | 225       | °C    |            |
| Maximum Forward Gate Current                      | $I_{GMAX}$      | 30        | mA    | 25°C       |
| Maximum Drain Current <sup>1</sup>                | $I_{DMAX}$      | 12        | A     | 25°C       |
| Soldering Temperature <sup>2</sup>                | $T_S$           | 245       | °C    |            |
| Screw Torque                                      | $\tau$          | 80        | in-oz |            |
| Thermal Resistance, Junction to Case <sup>3</sup> | $R_{\theta JC}$ | 1.5       | °C/W  | 85°C       |
| Case Operating Temperature <sup>3</sup>           | $T_C$           | -40, +150 | °C    |            |

Note:

<sup>1</sup> Current limit for long term, reliable operation.

<sup>2</sup> Refer to the Application Note on soldering at [www.cree.com/RF/Document-Library](http://www.cree.com/RF/Document-Library)

<sup>3</sup> Measured for the CGH21120F at  $P_{DISS} = 56$  W.

## Electrical Characteristics ( $T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}$ )

| Characteristics                                                                                                     | Symbol       | Min. | Typ. | Max.   | Units    | Conditions                                                                               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------|------|--------|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>DC Characteristics<sup>1</sup></b>                                                                               |              |      |      |        |          |                                                                                          |
| Gate Threshold Voltage                                                                                              | $V_{GS(th)}$ | -3.8 | -3.0 | -2.3   | $V_{DC}$ | $V_{DS} = 10$ V, $I_D = 28.8$ mA                                                         |
| Gate Quiescent Voltage                                                                                              | $V_{GS(Q)}$  | –    | -2.7 | –      | $V_{DC}$ | $V_{DS} = 28$ V, $I_D = 0.5$ A                                                           |
| Saturated Drain Current <sup>2</sup>                                                                                | $I_{DS}$     | 23.2 | 28.0 | –      | A        | $V_{DS} = 6.0$ V, $V_{GS} = 2.0$ V                                                       |
| Drain-Source Breakdown Voltage                                                                                      | $V_{BR}$     | 120  | –    | –      | $V_{DC}$ | $V_{GS} = -8$ V, $I_D = 28.8$ mA                                                         |
| <b>RF Characteristics (<math>T_C = 25^\circ\text{C}</math>, <math>F_0 = 2.15</math> GHz unless otherwise noted)</b> |              |      |      |        |          |                                                                                          |
| Saturated Output Power <sup>3,4,5</sup>                                                                             | $P_{SAT}$    | –    | 110  | –      | W        | $V_{DD} = 28$ V, $I_{DQ} = 0.5$ A,                                                       |
| Pulsed Drain Efficiency <sup>3,5</sup>                                                                              | $\eta$       | –    | 70   | –      | %        | $V_{DD} = 28$ V, $I_{DQ} = 0.5$ A, $P_{OUT} = P_{SAT}$                                   |
| Modulated Gain <sup>6</sup>                                                                                         | $G_{SS}$     | 13.5 | 15   | –      | dB       | $V_{DD} = 28$ V, $I_{DQ} = 0.5$ A, $P_{OUT} = 43$ dBm                                    |
| WCDMA Linearity <sup>6</sup>                                                                                        | ACLR         | –    | -35  | -30    | dBc      | $V_{DD} = 28$ V, $I_{DQ} = 0.5$ A, $P_{OUT} = 43$ dBm                                    |
| Modulated Drain Efficiency <sup>6</sup>                                                                             | $\eta$       | 29   | 35   | –      | %        | $V_{DD} = 28$ V, $I_{DQ} = 0.5$ A, $P_{OUT} = 43$ dBm                                    |
| Output Mismatch Stress                                                                                              | VSWR         | –    | –    | 10 : 1 | Y        | No damage at all phase angles,<br>$V_{DD} = 28$ V, $I_{DQ} = 0.5$ A, $P_{OUT} = 20$ W CW |
| <b>Dynamic Characteristics</b>                                                                                      |              |      |      |        |          |                                                                                          |
| Input Capacitance <sup>7</sup>                                                                                      | $C_{GS}$     | –    | 66   | –      | pF       | $V_{DS} = 28$ V, $V_{gs} = -8$ V, $f = 1$ MHz                                            |
| Output Capacitance <sup>7</sup>                                                                                     | $C_{DS}$     | –    | 12   | –      | pF       | $V_{DS} = 28$ V, $V_{gs} = -8$ V, $f = 1$ MHz                                            |
| Feedback Capacitance                                                                                                | $C_{GD}$     | –    | 1.6  | –      | pF       | $V_{DS} = 28$ V, $V_{gs} = -8$ V, $f = 1$ MHz                                            |

Notes:

<sup>1</sup> Measured on wafer prior to packaging.

<sup>2</sup> Scaled from PCM data.

<sup>3</sup> Pulse Width = 40  $\mu$ S, Duty Cycle = 5 %.

<sup>4</sup>  $P_{SAT}$  is defined as  $I_G = 10$  mA peak.

<sup>5</sup> Measured in CGH21120F-AMP.

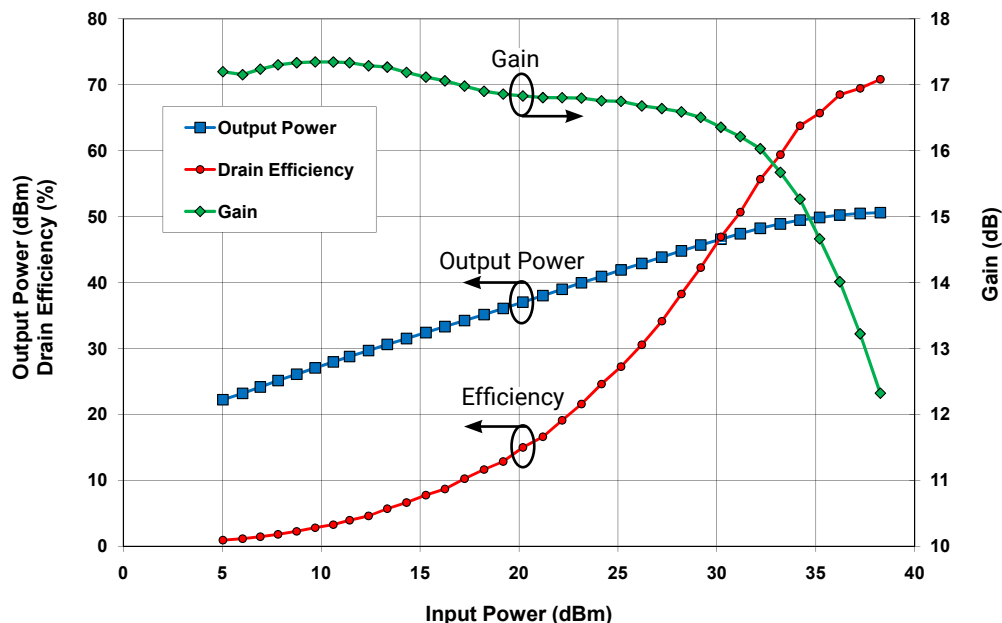
<sup>6</sup> Single Carrier WCDMA, 3GPP Test Model 1, 64 DPCH, 67 % Clipping, PAR = 8.81 dB @ 0.01 % Probability on CCDF.

<sup>7</sup> Includes package and internal matching components.

## Typical Pulse Performance

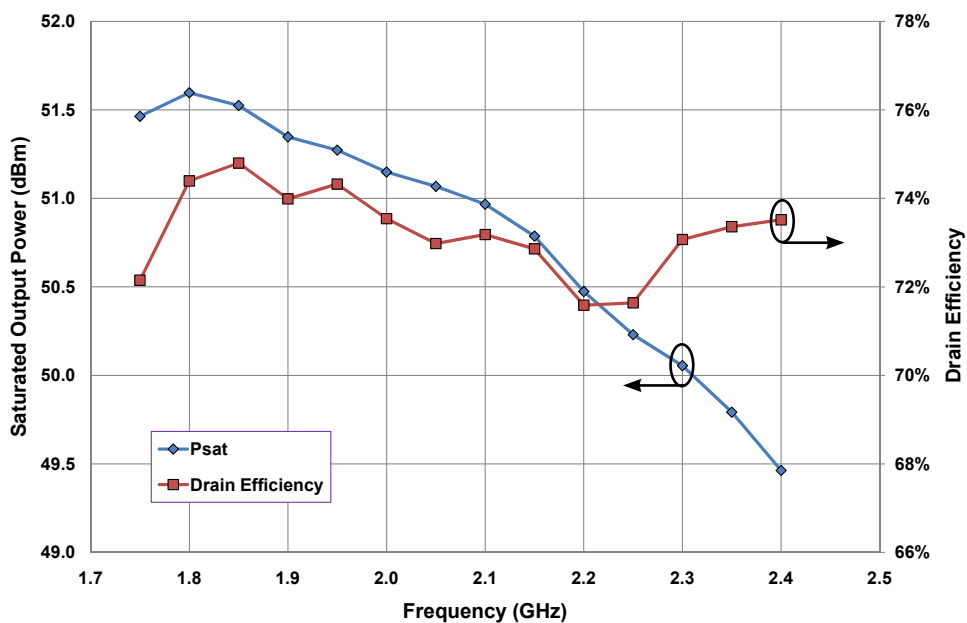
### Typical Pulse Characteristics Output Power, Drain Efficiency, and Gain vs Input Power measured in CGH21120F-AMP Amplifier Circuit.

$V_{DS} = 28\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{DS} = 0.5\text{ A}$ , Freq = 2.15 GHz, Pulse Width = 40  $\mu\text{s}$ , Duty Cycle = 5 %



### Typical Pulsed Saturated Power vs Frequency measured in CGH21120F-AMP Amplifier Circuit.

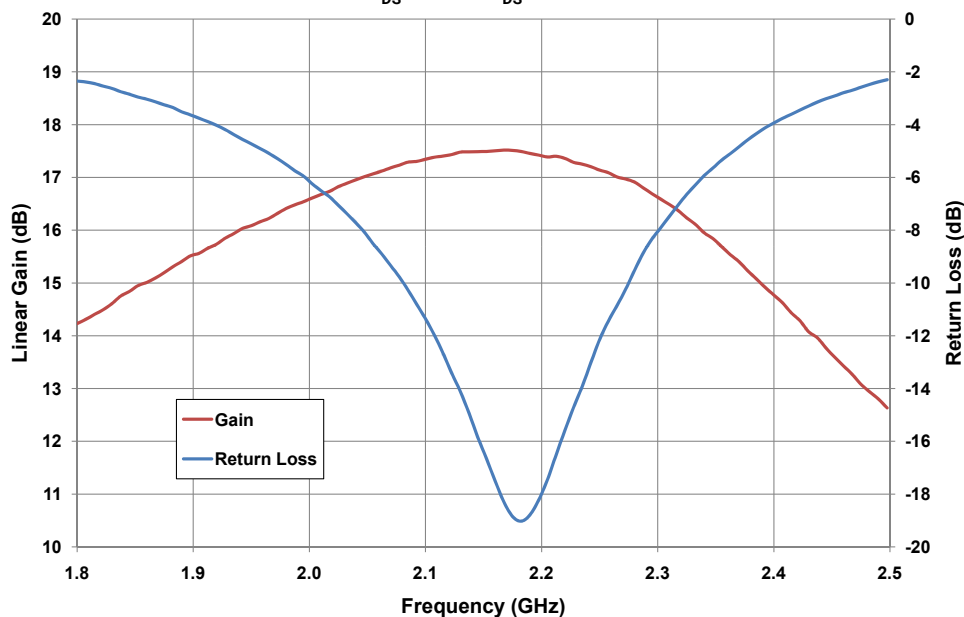
$V_{DS} = 28\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{DS} = 0.5\text{ A}$ ,  $P_{SAT} = 10\text{ mA } I_{GS}$  Peak, Pulse Width = 40  $\mu\text{s}$ , Duty Cycle = 5 %



## Typical Linear Performance

**Typical Small Signal Gain and Return Loss vs Frequency**  
 measured in CGH21120F-AMP Amplifier Circuit.

$V_{DS} = 28\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{DS} = 0.5\text{ A}$

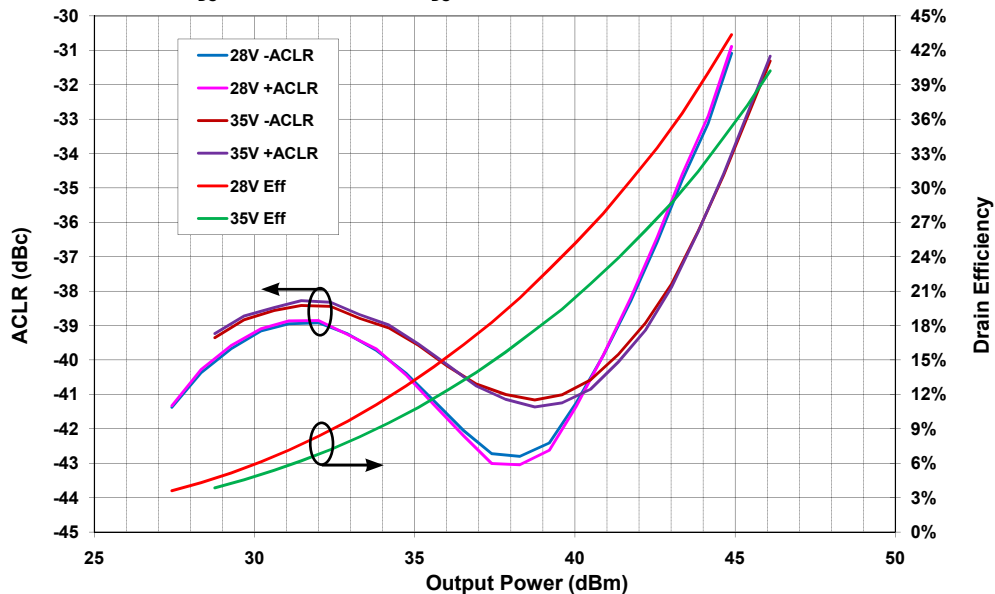


## Typical WCDMA Performance

**Typical WCDMA Characteristics ACLR and Drain Efficiency vs Output Power**  
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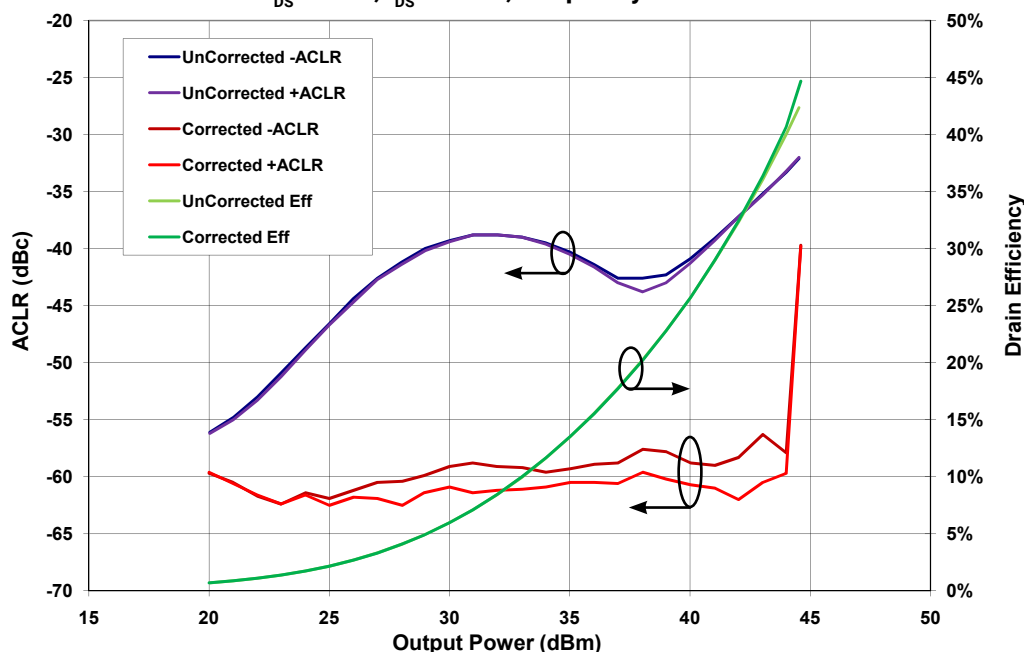
3GPP Test Model 1, 64 DPCH 67 % Clipping, 8.81 dB PAR @ 0.01 %

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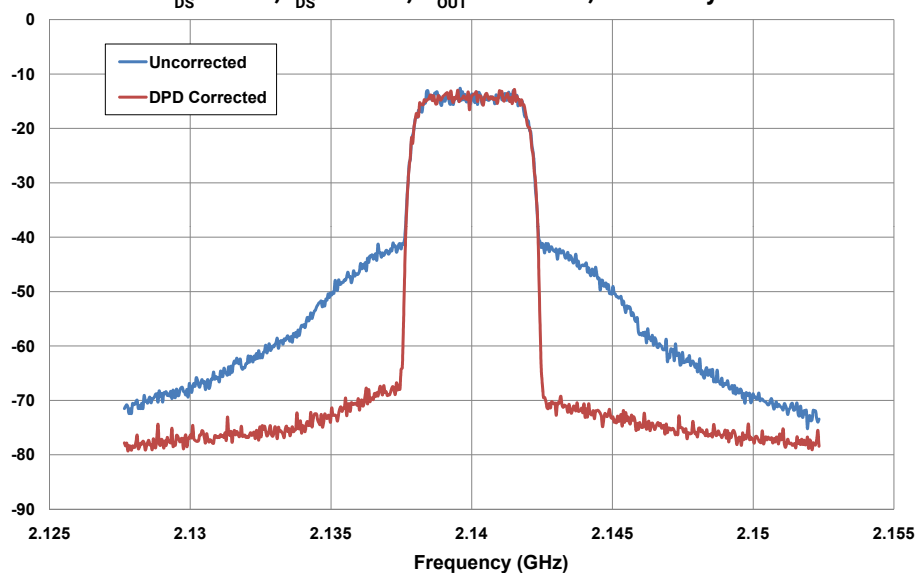


## Typical WCDMA Digital Pre-Distortion (DPD) Performance

**WCDMA Characteristics with and without DPD Correction**  
**ACLR and Drain Efficiency vs Output Power**  
 measured in CGH21120F-AMP Amplifier Circuit.  
 Single Channel WCDMA 6.5dB PAR with CFR  
 $V_{DS} = 28\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{DS} = 0.5\text{ A}$ , Frequency = 2.14 GHz



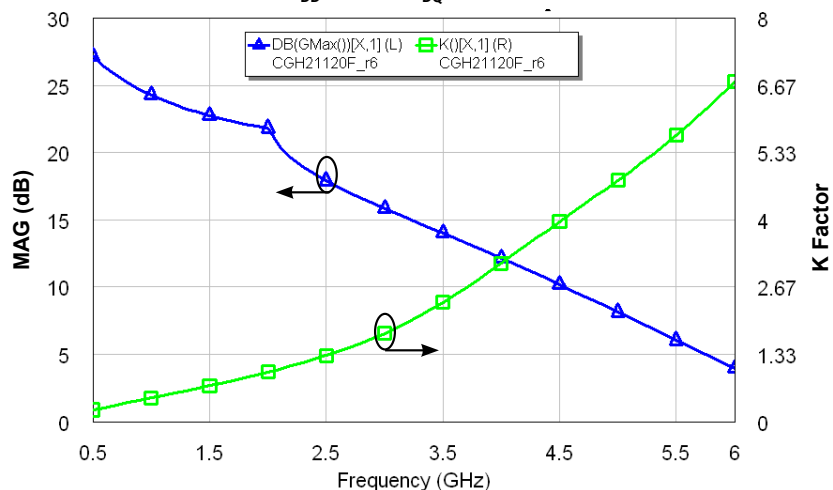
**WCDMA Linearity with DPD Linearizer**  
 measured in CGH21120F-AMP Amplifier Circuit.  
 Single Channel WCDMA 6.5dB PAR with CFR  
 $V_{DS} = 28\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{DS} = 0.5\text{ A}$ ,  $P_{OUT} = 44\text{ dBm}$ , Efficiency = 40 %



## Typical Performance

### Simulated Maximum Available Gain and K Factor of the CGH21120F

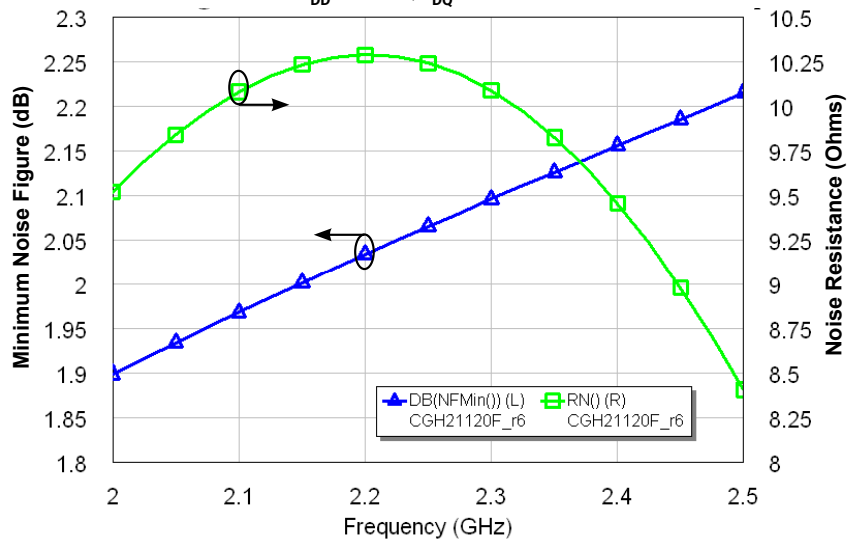
$V_{DD} = 28 \text{ V}$ ,  $I_{DQ} = 500 \text{ mA}$



## Typical Noise Performance

### Simulated Minimum Noise Figure and Noise Resistance vs Frequency of the CGH21120F

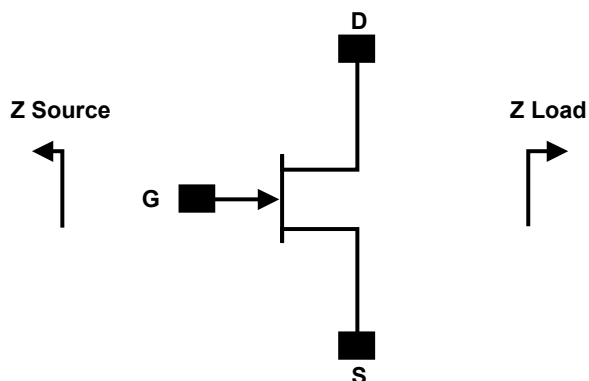
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## Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) Classifications

| Parameter           | Symbol | Class            | Test Methodology    |
|---------------------|--------|------------------|---------------------|
| Human Body Model    | HBM    | 1A (> 250 V)     | JEDEC JESD22 A114-D |
| Charge Device Model | CDM    | II (200 < 500 V) | JEDEC JESD22 C101-C |

## Source and Load Impedances

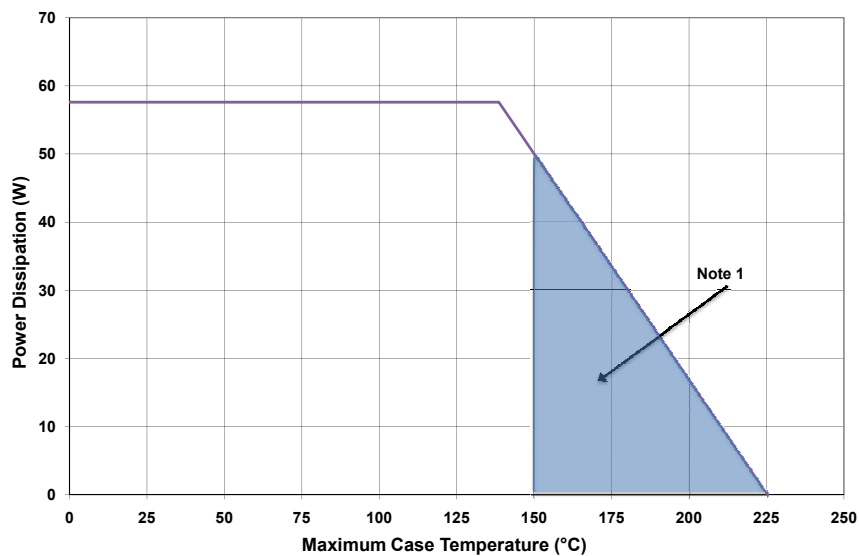


| Frequency (MHz) | Z Source       | Z Load       |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| 2000            | 18.17 - j15.4  | 3.43 - j0.24 |
| 2050            | 16.88 - j16.5  | 3.44 - j0.18 |
| 2100            | 15.31 - j17.44 | 3.43 - j0.15 |
| 2150            | 13.53 - j18.07 | 3.42 - j0.12 |
| 2200            | 11.63 - j18.35 | 3.37 - j0.10 |
| 2250            | 9.76 - j18.23  | 3.31 - j0.08 |
| 2300            | 8.00 - j17.78  | 3.22 - j0.06 |

Note<sup>1</sup>  $V_{DD} = 28V$ ,  $I_{DQ} = 0.5 A$  in the 440162 package.

Note<sup>2</sup> Impedances are extracted from CGH21120F-AMP demonstration circuit and are not source and load pull data derived from transistor.

## CGH21120F Power Dissipation De-rating Curve

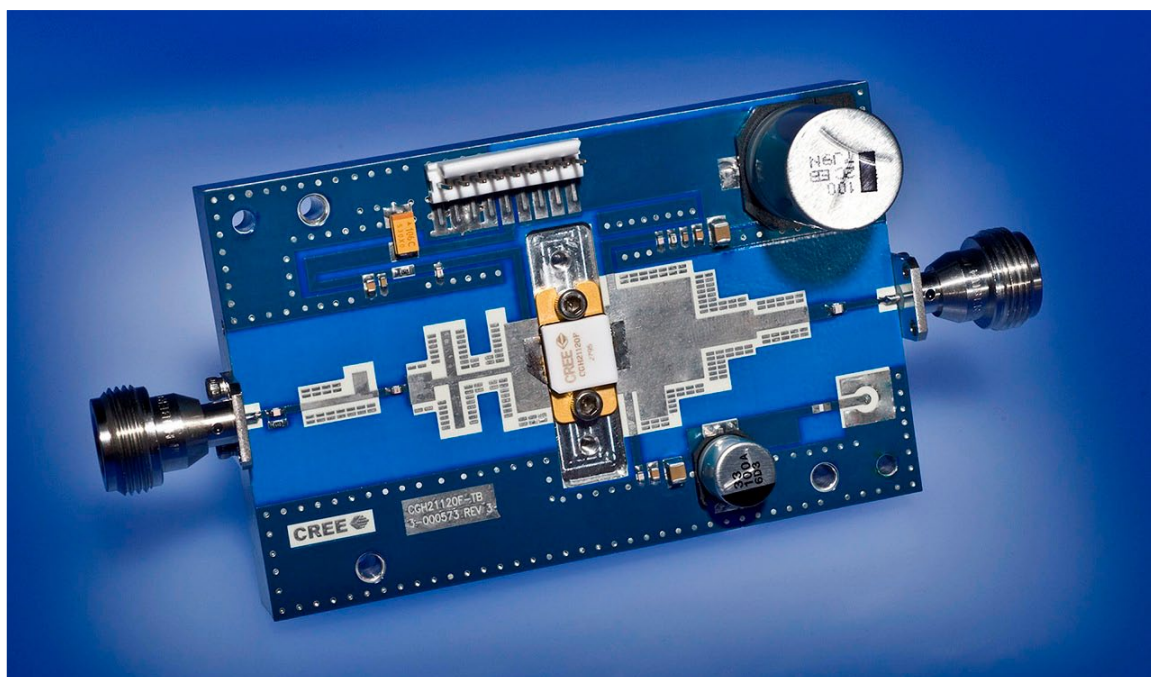


Note 1. Area exceeds Maximum Case Operating Temperature (See Page 2).

## **CGH21120F-AMP Demonstration Amplifier Circuit Bill of Materials**

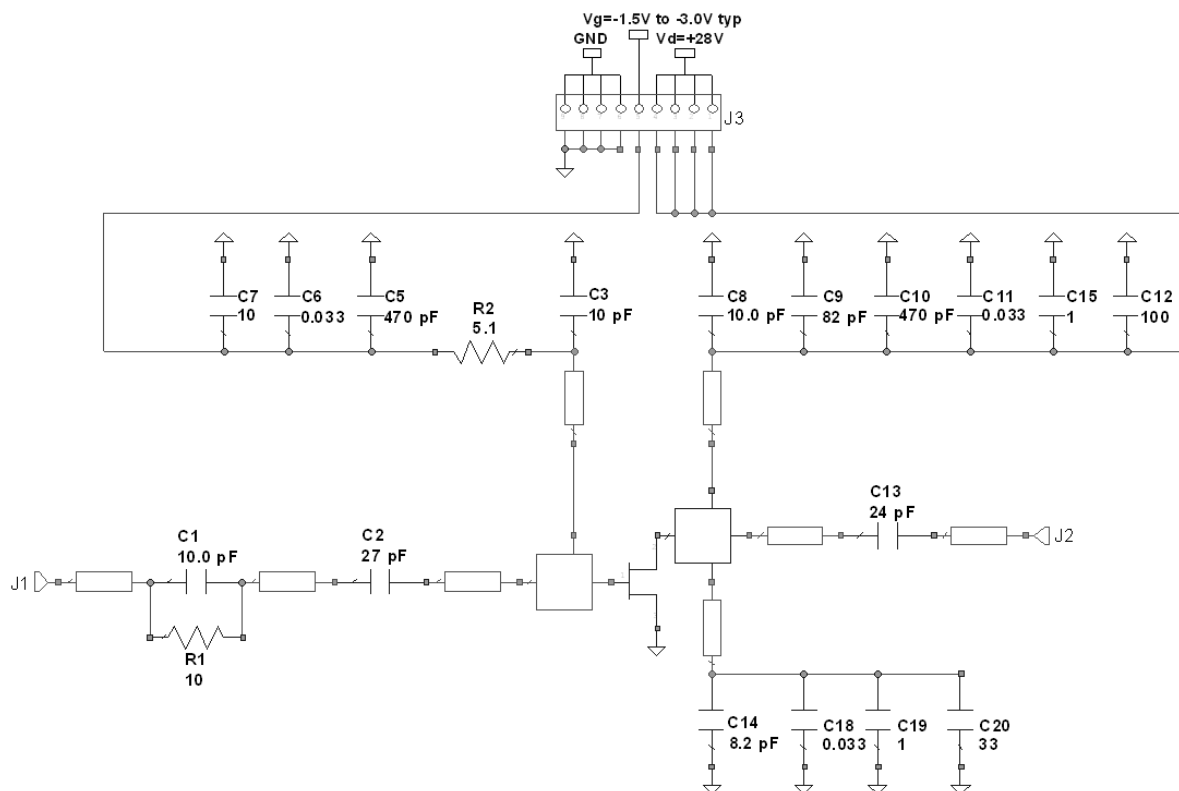
| Designator   | Description                               | Qty |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------|-----|
| R1           | RES, 1/16W, 0603, 1%, 10 OHMS             | 1   |
| R2           | RES, 1/16W, 0603, 1%, 5.1 OHMS            | 1   |
| C1, C3, C8   | CAP, 10 pF, +/-5%, ATC600S                | 3   |
| C2           | CAP, 27 pF, +/-5%, ATC600S                | 1   |
| C5, C10      | CAP, 470 pF, +/-5%, 100V, 0603            | 2   |
| C6, C11, C18 | CAP, 33000 pF, 0805, 100V, X7R            | 3   |
| C7           | CAP, 10 uF, 16V, TANTALUM                 | 1   |
| C9           | CAP, 82 pF, +/-5%, ATC600S                | 1   |
| C12          | CAP 100 uF, 160V, ELECTROLYTIC            | 1   |
| C13          | CAP, 24 pF, +/-5%, ATC600F                | 1   |
| C14          | CAP 8.2pF, +/-0.25 ATC600S                | 1   |
| C15, C19     | CAP, 1.0 uF, +/-10%, 1210, 100V, X7R      | 2   |
| C20          | CAP, 33 uF, +/-20%, G CASE                | 1   |
| J1, J2       | CONN, N-Type, Female, 0.500 SMA Flange    | 2   |
| J3           | CONN, Header, RT> PLZ, 0.1 CEN, LK, 9 POS | 1   |
| -            | PCB, RO4350, Er = 3.48, h = 20 mil        | 1   |
| -            | CGH21120F                                 | 1   |

## **CGH21120F-AMP Demonstration Amplifier Circuit**

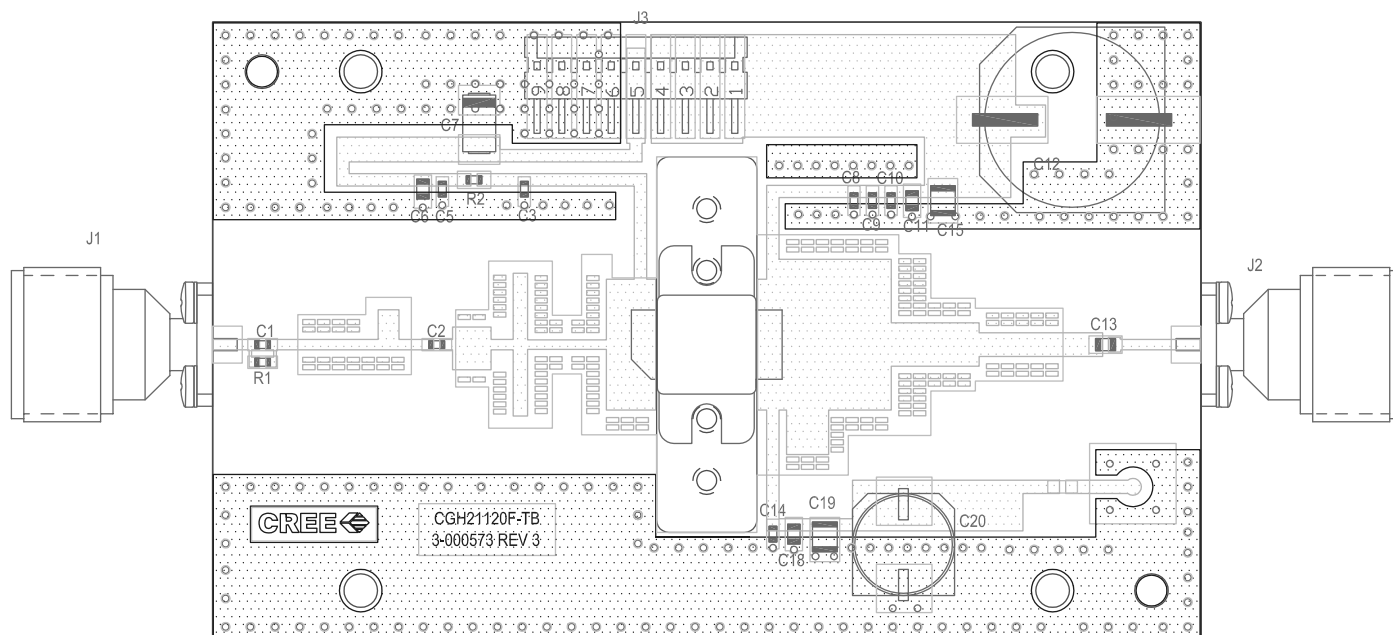




## CGH21120F-AMP Demonstration Amplifier Circuit Schematic



## CGH21120F-AMP Demonstration Amplifier Circuit Outline

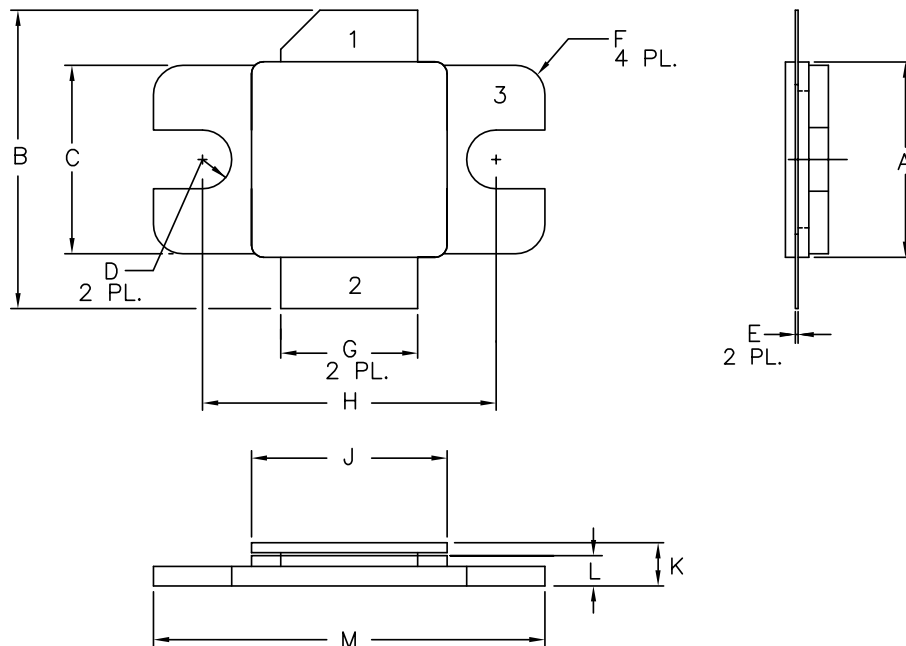


# **Typical Package S-Parameters for CGH21120F** **(Small Signal, $V_{DS} = 28\text{ V}$ , $I_{DQ} = 0.5\text{ A}$ , angle in degrees)**

| Frequency | Mag S11 | Ang S11 | Mag S21 | Ang S21 | Mag S12 | Ang S12 | Mag S22 | Ang S22 |
|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 500 MHz   | 0.961   | 179.86  | 3.67    | 68.26   | 0.007   | -16.54  | 0.722   | -173.72 |
| 600 MHz   | 0.960   | 178.22  | 3.09    | 63.27   | 0.007   | -20.46  | 0.732   | -173.18 |
| 700 MHz   | 0.959   | 176.75  | 2.69    | 58.41   | 0.007   | -24.23  | 0.744   | -172.73 |
| 800 MHz   | 0.957   | 175.36  | 2.40    | 53.65   | 0.007   | -27.89  | 0.755   | -172.37 |
| 900 MHz   | 0.955   | 173.99  | 2.19    | 48.94   | 0.007   | -31.47  | 0.768   | -172.12 |
| 1.0 GHz   | 0.952   | 172.61  | 2.03    | 44.26   | 0.008   | -35.01  | 0.780   | -171.96 |
| 1.1 GHz   | 0.949   | 171.20  | 1.91    | 39.56   | 0.008   | -38.53  | 0.792   | -171.88 |
| 1.2 GHz   | 0.944   | 169.72  | 1.82    | 34.81   | 0.008   | -42.08  | 0.805   | -171.88 |
| 1.3 GHz   | 0.938   | 168.15  | 1.77    | 29.95   | 0.008   | -45.70  | 0.817   | -171.94 |
| 1.4 GHz   | 0.930   | 166.46  | 1.74    | 24.91   | 0.009   | -49.47  | 0.829   | -172.06 |
| 1.5 GHz   | 0.920   | 164.63  | 1.73    | 19.59   | 0.009   | -53.47  | 0.842   | -172.23 |
| 1.6 GHz   | 0.907   | 162.63  | 1.75    | 13.89   | 0.010   | -57.82  | 0.854   | -172.45 |
| 1.7 GHz   | 0.889   | 160.43  | 1.80    | 7.63    | 0.011   | -62.66  | 0.868   | -172.72 |
| 1.8 GHz   | 0.863   | 158.03  | 1.87    | 0.61    | 0.011   | -68.22  | 0.882   | -173.07 |
| 1.9 GHz   | 0.828   | 155.48  | 1.97    | -7.46   | 0.013   | -74.76  | 0.897   | -173.54 |
| 2.0 GHz   | 0.780   | 153.01  | 2.10    | -16.94  | 0.014   | -82.64  | 0.914   | -174.18 |
| 2.1 GHz   | 0.715   | 151.22  | 2.24    | -28.22  | 0.015   | -92.25  | 0.932   | -175.11 |
| 2.2 GHz   | 0.637   | 151.48  | 2.36    | -41.58  | 0.017   | -103.85 | 0.948   | -176.42 |
| 2.3 GHz   | 0.566   | 155.82  | 2.42    | -56.84  | 0.017   | -117.27 | 0.958   | -178.09 |
| 2.4 GHz   | 0.541   | 164.16  | 2.38    | -73.11  | 0.017   | -131.60 | 0.958   | -179.89 |
| 2.5 GHz   | 0.577   | 171.39  | 2.22    | -88.96  | 0.017   | -145.40 | 0.949   | 178.57  |
| 2.6 GHz   | 0.643   | 173.87  | 2.01    | -103.24 | 0.015   | -157.52 | 0.935   | 177.50  |
| 2.7 GHz   | 0.708   | 172.59  | 1.79    | -115.54 | 0.014   | -167.55 | 0.922   | 176.84  |
| 2.8 GHz   | 0.760   | 169.28  | 1.60    | -126.07 | 0.013   | -175.66 | 0.912   | 176.44  |
| 2.9 GHz   | 0.796   | 164.87  | 1.44    | -135.23 | 0.012   | 177.73  | 0.905   | 176.14  |
| 3.0 GHz   | 0.821   | 159.63  | 1.32    | -143.50 | 0.011   | 172.16  | 0.900   | 175.88  |
| 3.2 GHz   | 0.843   | 146.16  | 1.17    | -158.98 | 0.010   | 162.55  | 0.894   | 175.28  |
| 3.4 GHz   | 0.835   | 125.42  | 1.13    | -175.91 | 0.010   | 152.13  | 0.891   | 174.54  |
| 3.6 GHz   | 0.799   | 88.32   | 1.17    | 161.01  | 0.011   | 136.18  | 0.888   | 173.59  |
| 3.8 GHz   | 0.786   | 21.79   | 1.15    | 126.34  | 0.011   | 109.17  | 0.886   | 172.34  |
| 4.0 GHz   | 0.879   | -50.56  | 0.84    | 87.99   | 0.008   | 78.81   | 0.879   | 170.82  |
| 4.2 GHz   | 0.951   | -93.77  | 0.52    | 61.47   | 0.006   | 60.37   | 0.869   | 169.25  |
| 4.4 GHz   | 0.979   | -116.72 | 0.33    | 44.97   | 0.004   | 51.78   | 0.856   | 167.49  |
| 4.6 GHz   | 0.990   | -130.14 | 0.22    | 33.45   | 0.003   | 47.74   | 0.840   | 165.43  |
| 4.8 GHz   | 0.994   | -138.83 | 0.16    | 24.22   | 0.002   | 45.41   | 0.819   | 162.96  |
| 5.0 GHz   | 0.997   | -144.91 | 0.12    | 15.93   | 0.002   | 43.34   | 0.789   | 159.95  |
| 5.2 GHz   | 0.998   | -149.42 | 0.10    | 7.73    | 0.002   | 40.67   | 0.746   | 156.25  |
| 5.4 GHz   | 0.998   | -152.92 | 0.08    | -1.09   | 0.002   | 36.72   | 0.683   | 151.66  |
| 5.6 GHz   | 0.999   | -155.72 | 0.07    | -11.28  | 0.002   | 30.81   | 0.589   | 146.08  |
| 5.8 GHz   | 0.999   | -158.03 | 0.06    | -23.63  | 0.002   | 22.20   | 0.449   | 140.15  |
| 6.0 GHz   | 0.999   | -159.97 | 0.05    | -38.80  | 0.002   | 10.30   | 0.254   | 139.99  |

To download the s-parameters in s2p format, go to the [CGH21120F Product Page](#) and click on the documentation tab.

## Product Dimensions CGH21120F (Package Type – 440162)



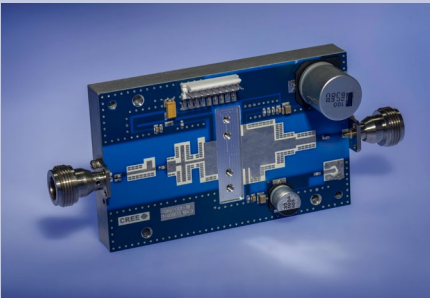
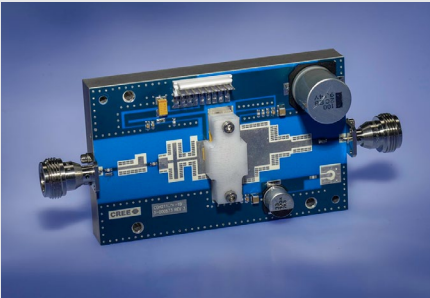
### NOTES:

1. DIMENSIONING AND TOLERANCING PER ANSI Y14.5M, 1982.
2. CONTROLLING DIMENSION: INCH.
3. ADHESIVE FROM LID MAY EXTEND A MAXIMUM OF 0.020" BEYOND EDGE OF LID.
4. LID MAY BE MISALIGNED TO THE BODY OF THE PACKAGE BY A MAXIMUM OF 0.008" IN ANY DIRECTION.

| DIM | INCHES |      | MILLIMETERS |       |
|-----|--------|------|-------------|-------|
|     | MIN    | MAX  | MIN         | MAX   |
| A   | .395   | .405 | 10.03       | 10.29 |
| B   | .580   | .620 | 14.73       | 15.75 |
| C   | .380   | .390 | 9.65        | 9.91  |
| D   | .055   | .065 | 1.40        | 1.65  |
| E   | .004   | .006 | 0.10        | 0.15  |
| F   | .055   | .065 | 1.40        | 1.65  |
| G   | .275   | .285 | 6.99        | 7.24  |
| H   | .595   | .605 | 15.11       | 15.37 |
| J   | .395   | .405 | 10.03       | 10.29 |
| K   | .129   | .149 | 3.28        | 3.78  |
| L   | .053   | .067 | 1.35        | 1.70  |
| M   | .795   | .805 | 20.19       | 20.45 |

PIN 1. GATE  
PIN 2. DRAIN  
PIN 3. SOURCE

## Product Ordering Information

| Order Number  | Description                        | Unit of Measure | Image                                                                                 |
|---------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CGH21120F     | GaN HEMT                           | Each            |    |
| CGH21120F-TB  | Test board without GaN HEMT        | Each            |   |
| CGH21120F-AMP | Test board with GaN HEMT installed | Each            |  |

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