

# Hetero Junction Field Effect transistor NE38018

## L to S BAND LOW NOISE AMPLIFIER N-CHANNEL HJ-FET

### FEATURES

- Super Low noise figure & High Associated Gain  
NF = 0.55 dB TYP., Ga = 14.5 dB TYP., OIP<sub>3</sub> = 22 dBm (V67), OIP<sub>3</sub> = 23 dBm (V68) TYP. @ f = 2 GHz  
NF = 0.4 dB TYP., Ga = 20 dB TYP. @ f = 900 MHz
- 4 pins super mini mold package
- Wg = 800  $\mu$  m

### ORDERING INFORMATION

Part Number	Package	Supplying Form
NE38018-T1	4 pins super mini mold package	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Embossed tape 8 mm wide</li> <li>• Pin3 (Source), Pin4 (Drain) face to perforation side of the tape</li> <li>• Qty 3 kpcs/reel</li> </ul>

**Remark** To order evaluation samples, contact your nearby sales office.  
Part number for sample order: NE38018

**Caution** Observe precautions when handling because these devices are sensitive to electrostatic discharge.

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**ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS ( $T_A = +25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , unless otherwise specified)**

Parameter	Symbol	Ratings	Unit
Drain to Source Voltage	$V_{DS}$	4.0	V
Gate to Source Voltage	$V_{GS}$	-3.0	V
Drain Current	$I_D$	$I_{DSS}$	mA
Gate Current	$I_G$	100	$\mu\text{A}$
Total Power Temperature	$P_{tot}$	150 <sup>Note</sup>	mW
Channel Temperature	$T_{ch}$	125	$^{\circ}\text{C}$
Storage Temperature	$T_{stg}$	-65 to +125	$^{\circ}\text{C}$

**Note** Mounted on double-sided copper-clad  $50 \times 50 \times 1.6$  mm epoxy glass PWB,  $T_A = +85^{\circ}\text{C}$

**RECOMMENDED OPERATING RANGE ( $T_A = +25^{\circ}\text{C}$ )**

Parameter	Symbol	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	Unit
Drain to Source Voltage	$V_{DS}$	1	2	3	V
Drain Current	$I_D$	2	5	30	mA
Input Power	$P_{in}$	-	-	0	dBm

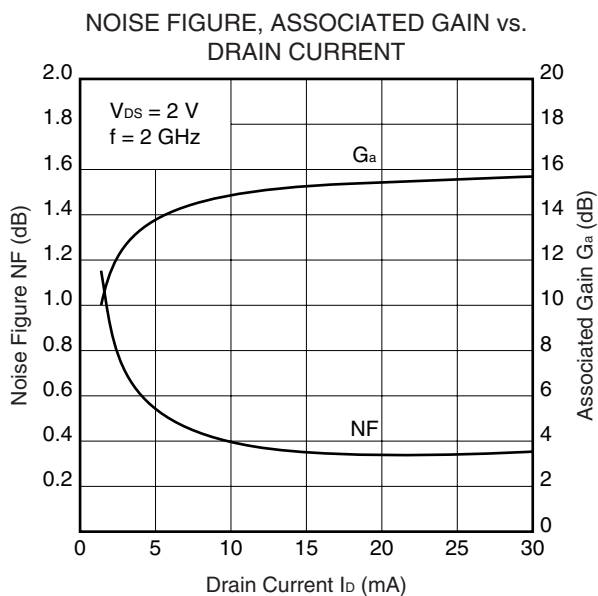
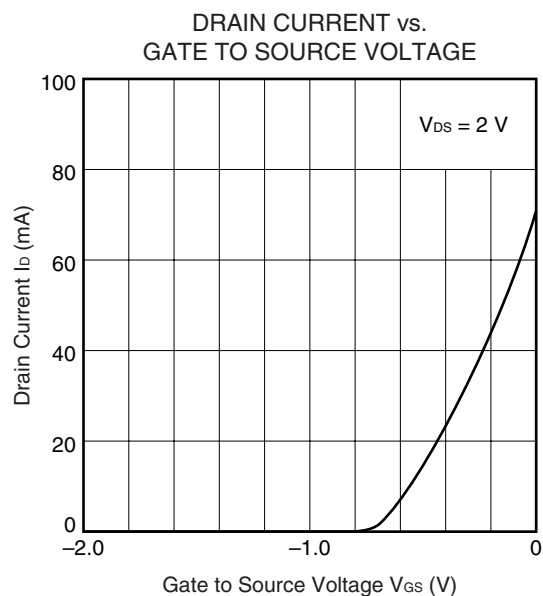
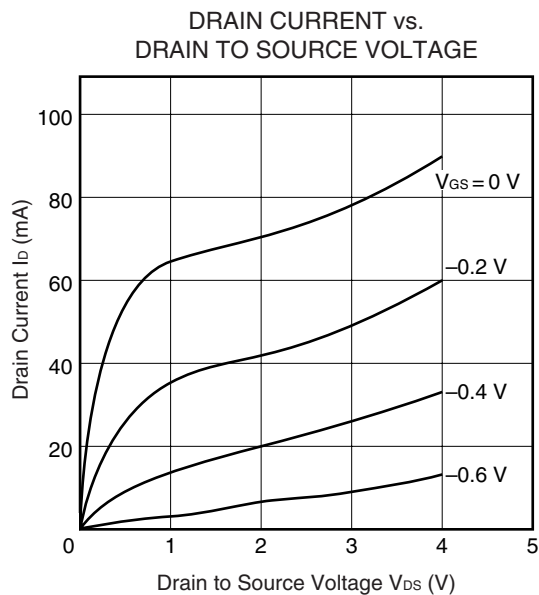
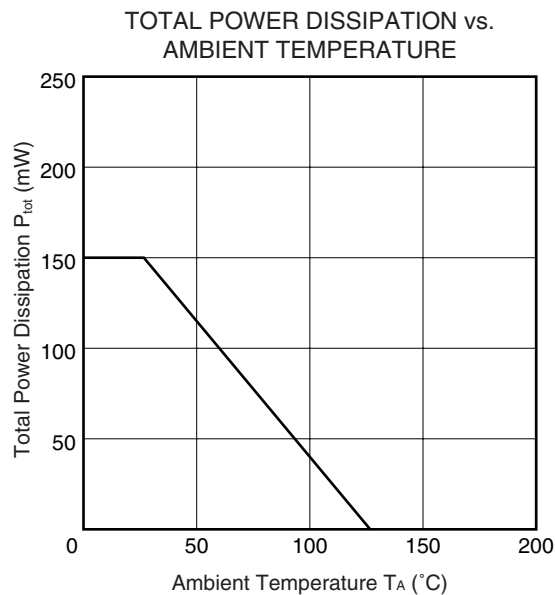
**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS ( $T_A = +25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , unless otherwise specified)**

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	MIN.	TYP.	MAX.	Unit
Gate to Source Leak Current	$I_{GSO}$	$V_{GS} = -3 \text{ V}$	-	1.0	20	$\mu\text{A}$
Saturated Drain Current	$I_{DSS}$	$V_{DS} = 2 \text{ V}, V_{GS} = 0 \text{ V}$	40	-	170	mA
Gate to Source Cut off Voltage	$V_{GS(off)}$	$V_{DS} = 2 \text{ V}, I_{DS} = 100 \mu\text{A}$	-0.1	-	-1.5	V
Transconductance	$g_m$	$V_{DS} = 2 \text{ V}, I_{DS} = 5 \text{ mA}$	50	-	-	mS
Noise Figure	NF	$V_{DS} = 2 \text{ V}, I_{DS} = 5 \text{ mA},$ $f = 2 \text{ GHz}$	-	0.55	1.0	dB
Associated Gain	Ga		12.5	14.5	-	dB
Power Gain	Gs		-	16	-	dB
Output Power at 1 dB Gain	$P_{0(1 \text{ dB})}$	$V_{DS} = 3 \text{ V}, I_{DS} = 30 \text{ mA},$ $f = 2 \text{ GHz}$	-	17 (V67)	-	dBm
Compression Point			-	18 (V68)	-	
Output Third-Order Distortion Intercept Point	$OIP_3$	$V_{DS} = 2 \text{ V}, I_{DS} = 5 \text{ mA},$ $f = 2 \text{ GHz}$	-	22 (V67)	-	dBm
			-	23 (V68)	-	

**$I_{DSS}$  CLASSIFICATIONS**

Rank	$I_{DSS}$ (mA)	Marking
67	40 to 90	V67
68	70 to 170	V68

**TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS ( $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$ )**



**Remark** The graphs indicate nominal characteristics.

**S-PARAMETER**

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AMP. PARAMETERS

$V_{DS} = 2\text{ V}$

$I_D = 5\text{ mA}$

FREQUENCY	$ S_{21} ^2$	$ S_{12} ^2$	K
MHz	dB	dB	
500	15.22	-27.52	.13
600	15.22	-26.00	.14
700	15.04	-24.89	.15
800	14.94	-23.88	.17
900	14.84	-23.08	.19
1000	14.62	-22.34	.20
1100	14.48	-21.85	.23
1200	14.32	-21.30	.24
1300	14.14	-20.75	.26
1400	13.95	-20.29	.28
1500	13.76	-19.92	.30
1600	13.60	-19.56	.31
1700	13.41	-19.23	.33
1800	13.24	-18.91	.35
1900	13.04	-18.63	.37
2000	12.52	-18.81	.53
2100	12.34	-18.53	.55
2200	12.12	-18.37	.58
2300	11.93	-18.18	.60
2400	11.76	-18.01	.62
2500	11.54	-17.84	.65
2600	11.41	-17.75	.66
2700	11.16	-17.54	.70
2800	11.00	-17.51	.73
2900	10.78	-17.34	.75
3000	10.59	-17.24	.78

$I_D = 10\text{ mA}$

FREQUENCY	$ S_{21} ^2$	$ S_{12} ^2$	K
MHz	dB	dB	
500	18.60	-28.57	.20
600	18.45	-27.27	.23
700	18.21	-26.12	.25
800	17.99	-25.11	.28
900	17.74	-24.37	.31
1000	17.47	-23.65	.33
1100	17.16	-23.10	.37
1200	16.93	-22.55	.39
1300	16.62	-22.08	.43
1400	16.32	-21.72	.45
1500	16.05	-21.25	.47
1600	15.78	-20.81	.49
1700	15.51	-20.58	.52
1800	15.26	-20.23	.54
1900	15.00	-19.89	.56
2000	14.41	-20.05	.70
2100	14.16	-19.71	.73
2200	13.88	-19.48	.75
2300	13.63	-19.24	.77
2400	13.40	-19.05	.79
2500	13.15	-18.84	.81
2600	12.92	-18.55	.82
2700	12.65	-18.44	.86
2800	12.41	-18.36	.88
2900	12.17	-18.10	.90
3000	11.94	-17.97	.92

# AMP. PARAMETERS

$V_{DS} = 3\text{ V}$

$I_D = 5\text{ mA}$

FREQUENCY	$ S_{21} ^2$	$ S_{12} ^2$	K
MHz	dB	dB	
500	15.23	-27.70	.13
600	15.23	-26.26	.14
700	15.04	-25.03	.15
800	14.94	-23.98	.17
900	14.85	-23.30	.18
1000	14.64	-22.55	.20
1100	14.48	-21.98	.23
1200	14.34	-21.31	.23
1300	14.18	-20.82	.26
1400	13.97	-20.39	.28
1500	13.77	-20.15	.29
1600	13.62	-19.70	.31
1700	13.43	-19.42	.33
1800	13.27	-19.08	.35
1900	13.08	-18.75	.37
2000	12.56	-18.89	.52
2100	12.37	-18.62	.54
2200	12.15	-18.50	.57
2300	11.98	-18.31	.59
2400	11.80	-18.13	.61
2500	11.60	-17.93	.64
2600	11.45	-17.80	.66
2700	11.22	-17.72	.69
2800	11.05	-17.60	.72
2900	10.83	-17.49	.75
3000	10.64	-17.39	.78

$I_D = 10\text{ mA}$

FREQUENCY	$ S_{21} ^2$	$ S_{12} ^2$	K
MHz	dB	dB	
500	18.63	-28.83	.18
600	18.47	-27.37	.22
700	18.22	-26.30	.24
800	18.00	-25.37	.26
900	17.76	-24.41	.29
1000	17.48	-23.80	.32
1100	17.22	-23.30	.35
1200	16.95	-22.72	.37
1300	16.67	-22.17	.40
1400	16.39	-21.74	.42
1500	16.10	-21.40	.45
1600	15.85	-21.06	.47
1700	15.57	-20.69	.50
1800	15.34	-20.40	.52
1900	15.07	-20.11	.54
2000	14.51	-20.08	.68
2100	14.27	-19.92	.71
2200	13.99	-19.60	.73
2300	13.75	-19.40	.75
2400	13.52	-19.21	.77
2500	13.28	-19.00	.80
2600	13.08	-18.80	.81
2700	12.81	-18.64	.84
2800	12.58	-18.42	.86
2900	12.34	-18.31	.89
3000	12.12	-18.15	.91

# NOISE PARAMETERS

$V_{DS} = 2\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{DS} = 5\text{ mA}$

Frequency (GHz)	NF <sub>min</sub> (dB)	Ga (dB)	Γ <sub>opt</sub>		Rn/50
			MAG.	ANG. (deg)	
0.9	0.41	21.1	0.65	25.1	0.18
1.0	0.42	20.3	0.63	27.2	0.18
1.5	0.48	16.9	0.55	42.4	0.17
1.9	0.54	15.0	0.48	58.0	0.16
2.0	0.55	14.7	0.46	62.1	0.15
2.5	0.62	13.4	0.38	81.3	0.13

$V_{DS} = 2\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{DS} = 10\text{ mA}$

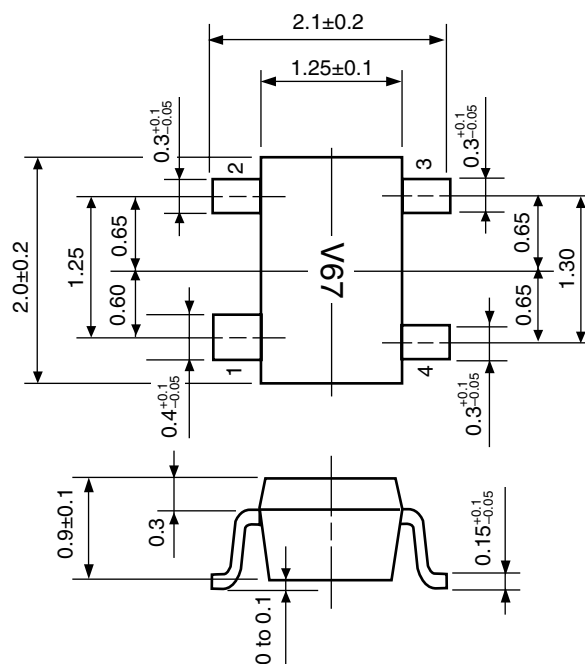
Frequency (GHz)	NF <sub>min</sub> (dB)	Ga (dB)	Γ <sub>opt</sub>		Rn/50
			MAG.	ANG. (deg)	
0.9	0.37	22.0	0.59	29.2	0.13
1.0	0.38	21.8	0.50	38.0	0.12
1.5	0.44	17.6	0.50	39.6	0.12
1.9	0.49	15.6	0.38	45.1	0.11
2.0	0.50	15.5	0.39	54.4	0.11
2.5	0.56	13.9	0.38	70.3	0.10

$V_{DS} = 3\text{ V}$ ,  $I_{DS} = 5\text{ mA}$

Frequency (GHz)	NF <sub>min</sub> (dB)	Ga (dB)	Γ <sub>opt</sub>		Rn/50
			MAG.	ANG. (deg)	
0.9	0.41	21.8	0.67	24.9	0.18
1.0	0.42	20.8	0.65	26.9	0.18
1.5	0.48	16.9	0.54	42.1	0.17
1.9	0.54	14.8	0.47	57.8	0.16
2.0	0.55	14.4	0.45	61.8	0.15
2.5	0.62	13.3	0.38	80.7	0.13

PACKAGE DIMENSIONS

4-PIN SUPER MINI MOLD (UNIT: mm)



PIN CONNECTIONS

1. Source
2. Gate
3. Source
4. Drain



**PRECAUTION**

- (1) Because this device is a HJ-FET with a Schottky barrier gate structure, it is necessary that sufficient care be taken regarding static electricity and strong electric fields.  
Take measures against static electricity and make sure the body is earthed when mounting the device.
- (2) Follow the procedure below when operating the device by a gate-and-drain-independent dual power supply.  
Directly ground both the source pins.  
Fix  $V_{GS}$  to approximately  $-2\text{ V}$ .  
Increase  $V_{DS}$  to a predetermined voltage level (within the recommended operation range of  $V_{DS}$ ).  
Adjust  $V_{GS}$  in line with a predetermined  $I_D$ .
- (3) It is recommended that the bias application circuit be able to have a fixed voltage and current.
- (4) Adjust the I/O matching circuit after turning the bias OFF.

**RECOMMENDED SOLDERING CONDITIONS**

This product should be soldered and mounted under the following recommended conditions. For soldering methods and conditions other than those recommended below, contact your nearby sales office.

Soldering Method	Soldering Conditions	Condition Symbol
Infrared Reflow	Peak temperature (package surface temperature) : $260^{\circ}\text{C}$ or below Time at peak temperature : 10 seconds or less Time at temperature of $220^{\circ}\text{C}$ or higher : 60 seconds or less Preheating time at $120$ to $180^{\circ}\text{C}$ : $120 \pm 30$ seconds Maximum number of reflow processes : 3 times Maximum chlorine content of rosin flux (% mass) : $0.2\%(\text{Wt.})$ or below	IR260
VPS	Peak temperature (package surface temperature) : $215^{\circ}\text{C}$ or below Time at temperature of $200^{\circ}\text{C}$ or higher : 25 to 40 seconds Preheating time at $120$ to $150^{\circ}\text{C}$ : 30 to 60 seconds Maximum number of reflow processes : 3 times Maximum chlorine content of rosin flux (% mass) : $0.2\%(\text{Wt.})$ or below	VP215
Wave Soldering	Peak temperature (molten solder temperature) : $260^{\circ}\text{C}$ or below Time at peak temperature : 10 seconds or less Preheating temperature (package surface temperature) : $120^{\circ}\text{C}$ or below Maximum number of flow processes : 1 time Maximum chlorine content of rosin flux (% mass) : $0.2\%(\text{Wt.})$ or below	WS260
Partial Heating	Peak temperature (pin temperature) : $350^{\circ}\text{C}$ or below Soldering time (per side of device) : 3 seconds or less Maximum chlorine content of rosin flux (% mass) : $0.2\%(\text{Wt.})$ or below	HS350

**Caution** Do not use different soldering methods together (except for partial heating).

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