# Application Note for CHT4690-QAG and CHT4690-99F Single control supply configuration

#### **GaAs Monolithic Packaged Microwave IC**

This note gives general recommendations for implementing and using the CHT4690 and CHT4690-QAG, in terms of control voltage.

CHT4690-99F and CHT4690-QAG use two supply voltages, one for 1<sup>st</sup> stage, and the other for 2<sup>nd</sup> stage. Both can be operated from -5V to 0V.

As described in the data-sheet, biasing voltage should be applied as following to obtain the best performances in linearity (dual control):

- 1st stage attenuation control with V1 from -5V to 0V, with V2 fixed at -5V
- 2<sup>nd</sup> stage attenuation control with V2 from -5V to 0V, with V1 fixed at 0V

Nevertheless, it is possible to use a common control, and this is the subject of this application note, driving with the same supply both V1 & V2.

There is no impact on the dynamic range: the minimum and maximum attenuation levels remain the same. The drawback will be the in-between linearity behaviour.

As a matter of fact, the 1<sup>st</sup> stage will not protect the  $2^{nd}$  stage in terms of power as it does with the dual control. The linearity is then reduced. The worst case in term of linearity is obtained for V1= V2 = -3.5V with an input power at -1dB minimum of 20dBm instead of 24dBm for the standard polarisation (configuration V1 = -3.5V / V2 = -5V).

# 1. Single control supply for CHT4690-QAG (QFN packaged product)

The electrical characteristics of CHT4690-QAG (at 25℃) for both configurations are given in the table below.

## **Electrical Characteristics**

Temp. = 25℃

	CHT4690-QAG	Dual control			Single control			
Symbol	Parameter	Min	Тур	Max	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Fin	Input frequency range	5		30	5		30	GHz
Min Att.	S21  (V1=-5V;V2=-5V) (5 to 10GHz)		-2	-3		-2	-3	dB
	S21  (V1=-5V;V2=-5V) (11 to 24GHz)		-4	-5.5		-4	-5.5	dB
	S21  (V1=-5V;V2=-5V) (25 to 30GHz)		-6	-7.5		-6	-7.5	dB
Max Att.	S21  (V1=0V;V2=0V) (5 to 10GHz)	-22	-24		-22	-24		dB
	S21  (V1=0V;V2=0V) (11 to 30GHz)	-28	-35		-28	-35		dB
VSWR	Input VSWR (any attenuation)		2.0:1			2.0:1		
in	(5 to 26GHz)							
VSWR	Output VSWR (any attenuation)		2.5:1			2.5:1		
out	(6 to 26GHz)							
Pin1dB	Input 1dB compression point (any attenuation) (5 to 25GHz)	24	25		19	20		dBm
C/I3	C/I3 @ Pin/tone=12dBm (any attenuation) (to 26GHz)	36	40		28	32		dB
V1,V2	Voltage control range	-5		0	-5		0	V
	Worst case in terms of linearity	V1 = -3.5V V2 = -5V			V1 = -3.5V V2 = -3.5V			

These values are representative of on board measurements as defined on the drawing 96272 (see paragraph "Proposed assembly board" of the data-sheet of CHT4690-QAG).

# Typical Results with single control supply

Temp. = +25℃

Measurements in the package access, using the proposed land pattern & board 96272, as defined in the CHT4690-QAG data-sheet.

## CHT4690-QAG: attenuation versus frequency

V1 = V2 = -5V to 0V

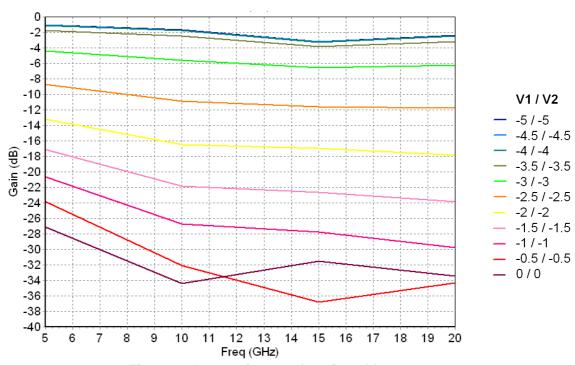
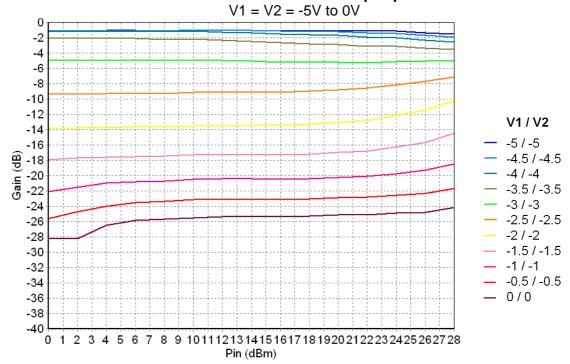


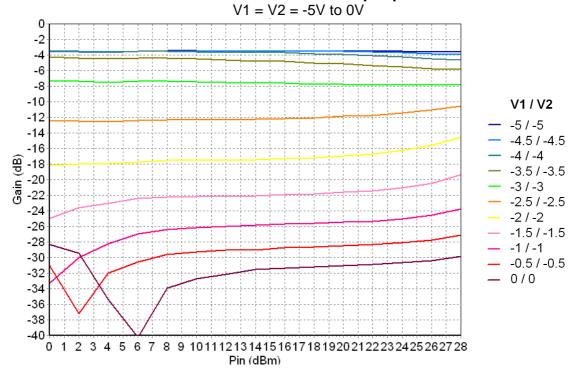
Figure 1: Attenuation as a function of frequency

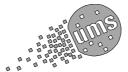


## CHT4690-QAG: attenuation versus input power @ 5GHz



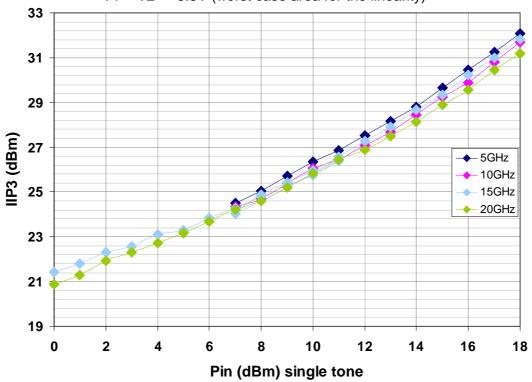
## CHT4690-QAG: attenuation versus input power @ 15GHz



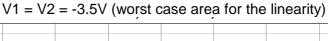


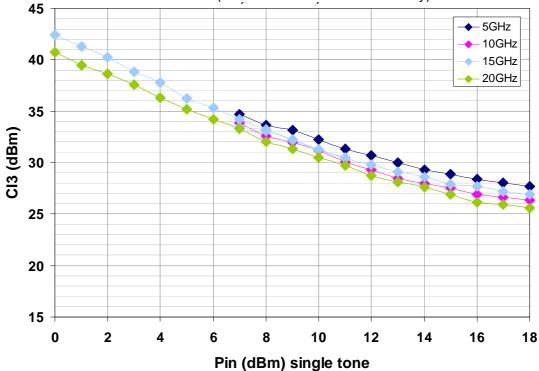
## CHT4690-QAG: input IP3 versus input power

V1 = V2 = -3.5V (worst case area for the linearity)



#### CHT4690-QAG: C/I3 versus input power





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## 2. Single power supply for CHT4690-99F (die product)

The electrical characteristics of the die version can be deduced from the packaged product measurements.

#### **Electrical Characteristics**

Temp. = 25℃

	CHT4690-99F	Dual power supply			Single power supply			
Symbol	Parameter	Min	Тур	Max	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
Fin	Input frequency range	5		30	5		30	GHz
Min Att.	S21  (V1=-5V;V2=-5V) (5 to 12GHz)		-2.5	-3		-2.5	-3	dB
	S21  (V1=-5V;V2=-5V) (13 to 30GHz)		-6.5	-7.5		-6.5	-7.5	dB
Max Att.	S21  (V1=0V;V2=0V) (5 to 12GHz)	-22	-25		-22	-25		dB
	S21  (V1=0V;V2=0V) (13 to 30GHz)	-27	-34		-27	-34		dB
VSWR	Input VSWR (any attenuation)			2.3:1			2.3:1	
in	(5 to 30GHz)							
VSWR	Output VSWR (any attenuation)			2.5:1			2.5:1	
out	(8 to 30GHz)							
Pin1dB	Input 1dB compression point (any attenuation) (5 to 20GHz)	24	25		19	20		dBm
C/I3	C/I3 @ Pin/tone=12dBm (any attenuation) (up to 26GHz)	36	40		28	32		dB
V1,V2	Voltage control range	-5		0	-5		0	V
	Worst case in terms of linearity	V1 = -3.5V V2 = -5V			V1 = -3.5V V2 = -3.5V			

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