

65 V LDMOS OVERVIEW

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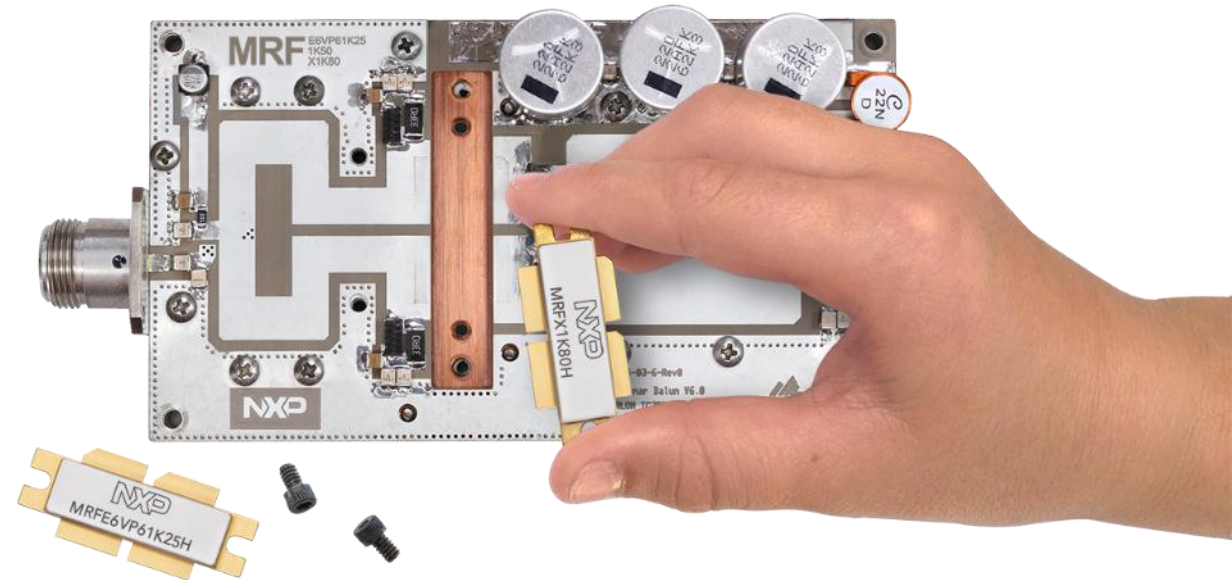
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Introduction

- NXP is announcing a new LDMOS technology using 65 V drain voltage, focused on **ease of use**.
 - Higher voltage enables a higher RF output power with no compromise.
- The first transistor of the 65 V MRF~~X~~ series is the MRF~~X~~1K80, the industry's most powerful CW RF transistor: 1800 W.
- The MRF~~X~~1K80 is pin-compatible with existing 50 V transistors, to reduce design cycle times.



A Brief History of LDMOS for ISM and broadcast applications

- **1990s:** first **LDMOS** transistor created by the Motorola RF power team.
- **2006:** introduction of the first **1kW** LDMOS transistor by Freescale, followed by four other lower power devices.
- **2010-2012:** Freescale launched industry-first portfolio of 5 **extremely rugged** 50 V LDMOS transistors in ceramic packaging, from 25 to 1250 W.
- **2014-2015:** complemented this portfolio with 5 transistors in **plastic package**, enabling lower thermal resistance.
- **2016:** NXP (ex Freescale) launched the 1500 W **MRF1K50H**, pushing 50 V LDMOS close to its limits of usability (higher power levels at 50 V are challenging to match to 50 ohm).
- **2017:** introducing the MRF**X** series with the 1800 W **MRFX1K80H**, based on new 65 V LDMOS technology developed in NXP's internal fab. Designed for ease of use.



Introducing NXP's new 65 V LDMOS

LDMOS Technology	Very High Voltage	Very High Voltage Extremely rugged	Extra High Voltage Extremely Rugged
Drain voltage	Up to 50 V	Up to 50 V	Up to 65 V
Max output power in NI-1230 package	1000 W CW	1500 W+ CW	1800 W+ CW
Breakdown voltage (min)	110 V	133 V	182 V
VSWR	10:1	65:1	65:1
<i>Product releases</i>	<i>2006-2010</i>	<i>2010-</i>	<i>2017-</i>

Leveraging NXP's internal LDMOS manufacturing.

The 5 benefits of raising the drain voltage for LDMOS FETs



More power – Higher voltage enables higher power density, which helps reduce the number of transistors to combine.



Faster development time – With higher voltage, the output power can be increased while retaining a reasonable output impedance.



Design reuse – This impedance benefit also ensures pin-compatibility with current 50 V LDMOS transistors for better scalability.



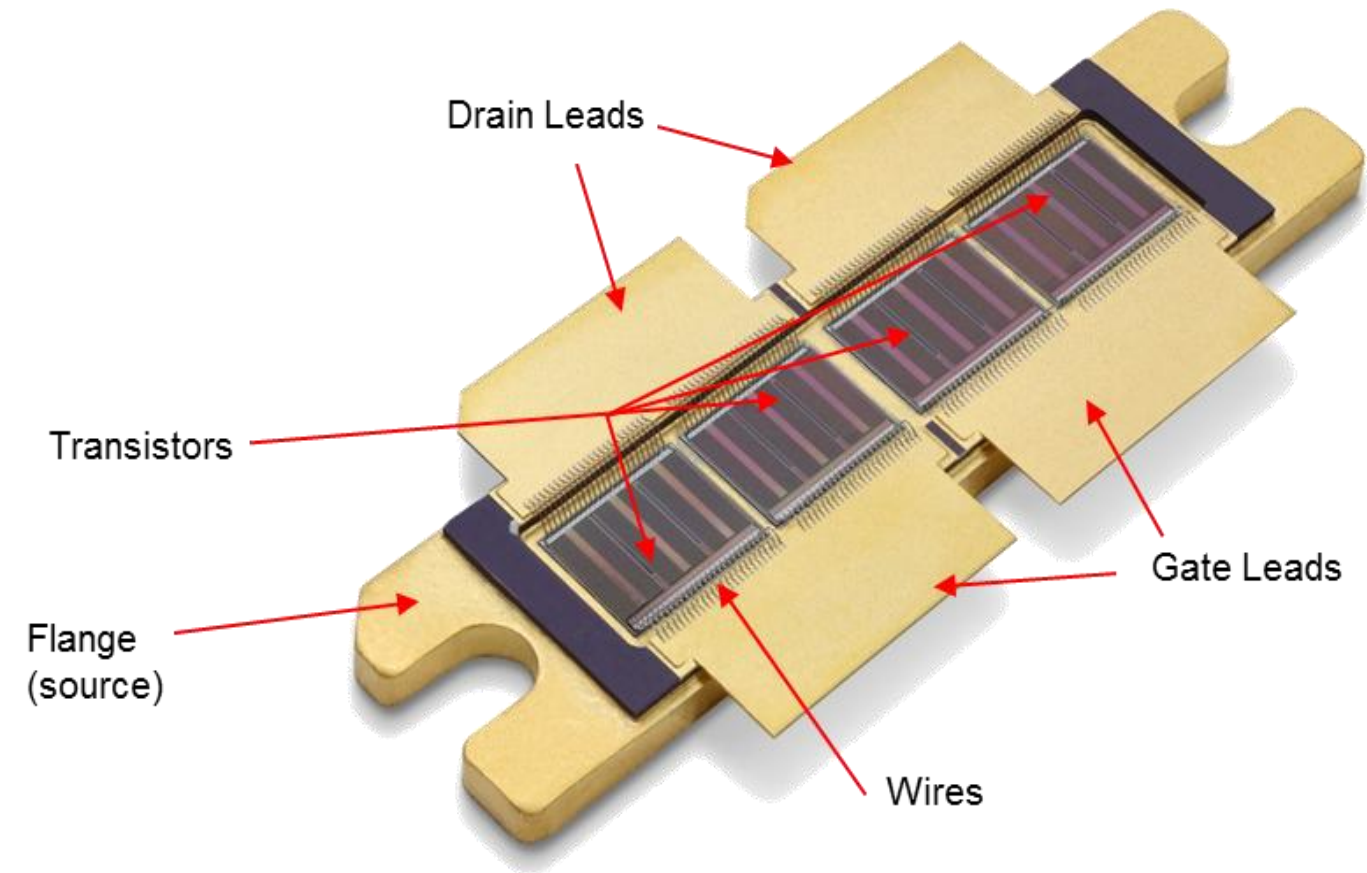
Manageable current level – Higher voltage reduces the current losses in the system.



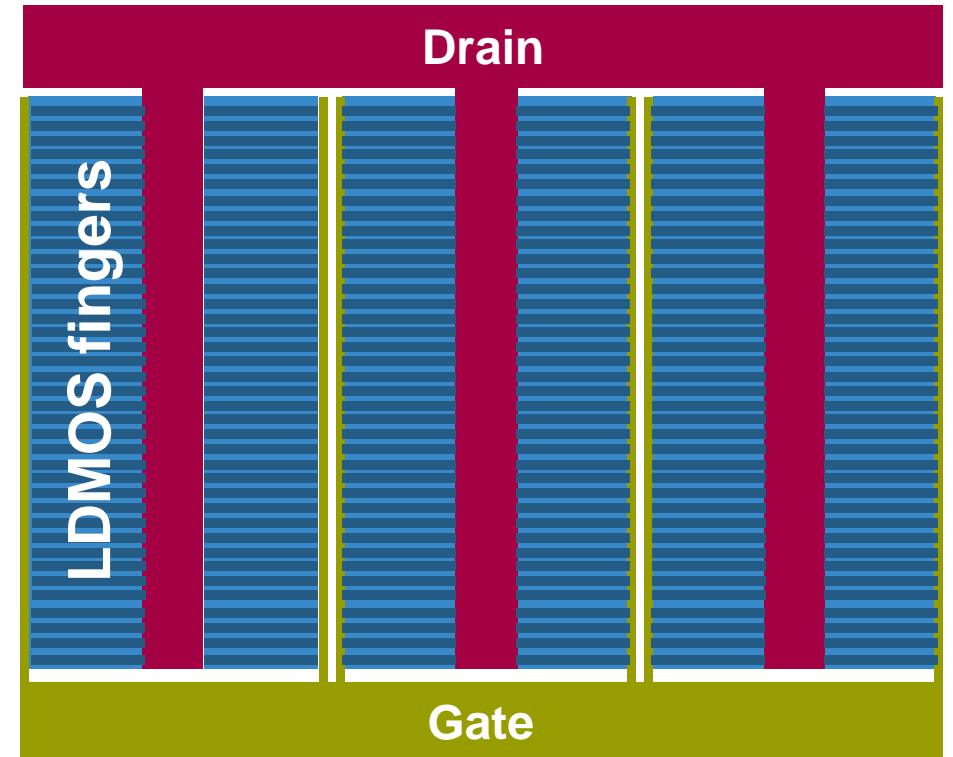
Wide safety margin – The higher breakdown voltage of 182 V improves ruggedness and allows for higher efficiency classes of operation.

LDMOS device overview

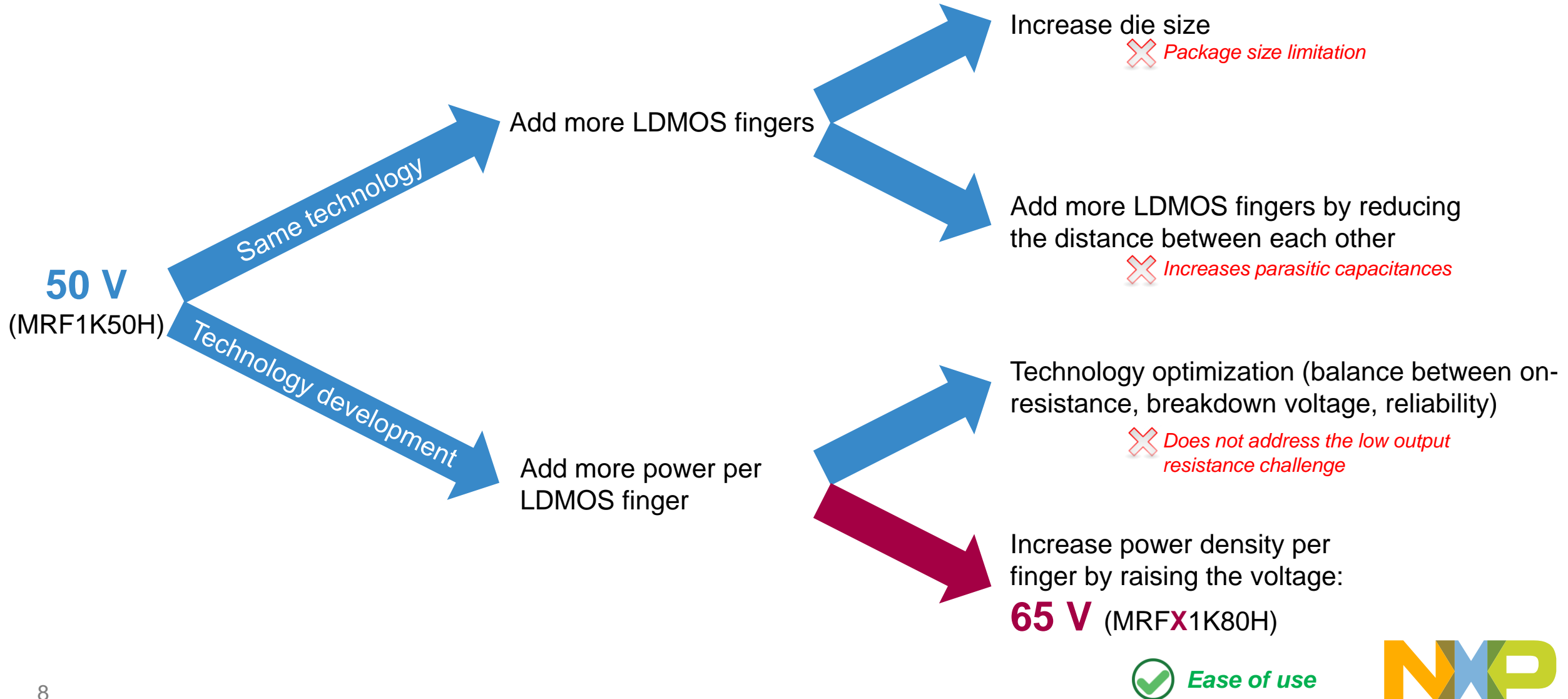
In NI-1230 air cavity ceramic package



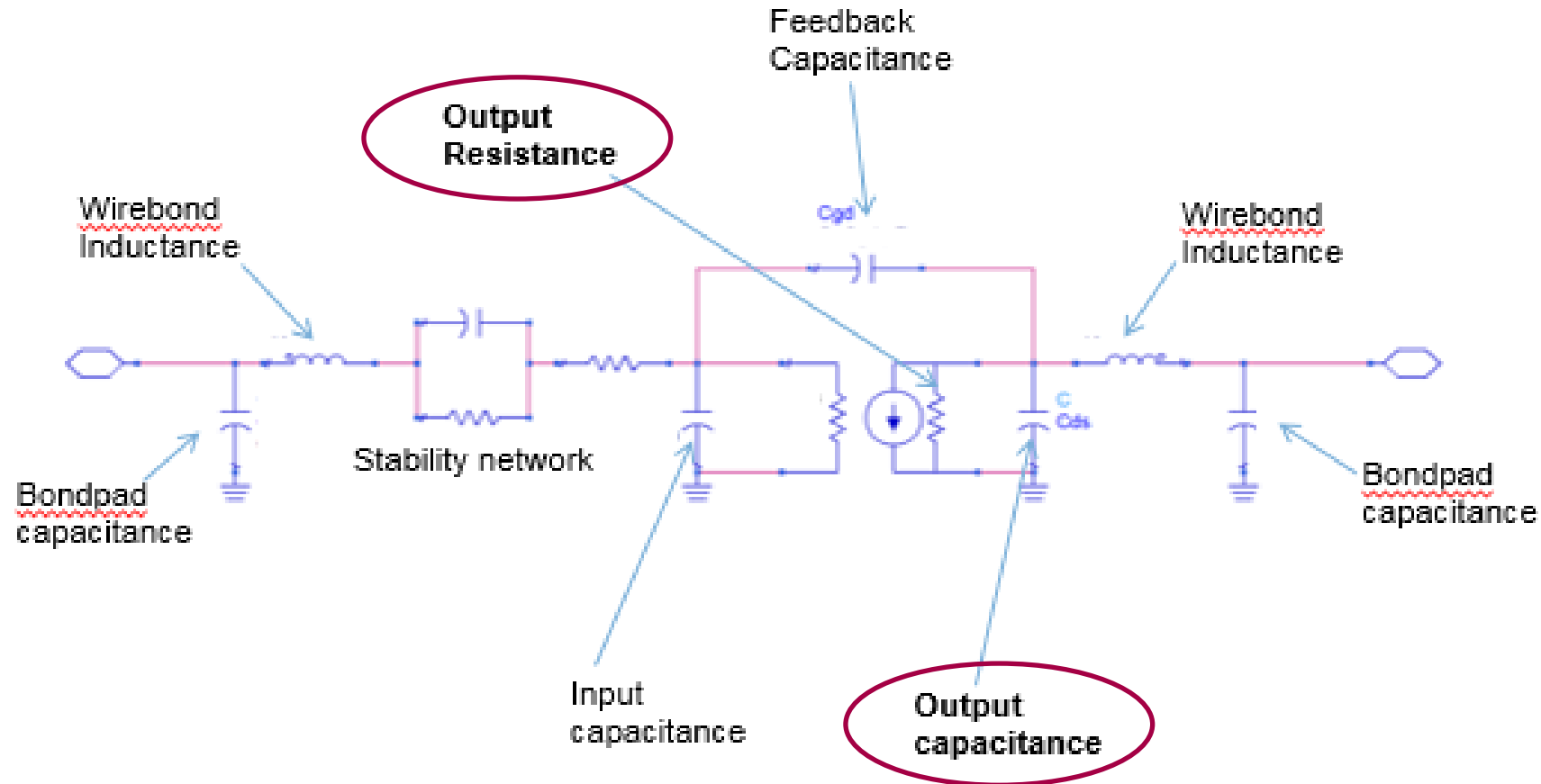
Simplified view of an LDMOS die layout:



LDMOS technology design choices for higher power



High power LDMOS design challenge: managing output resistance and capacitance for **ease of use**



Linear model of a high power LDMOS FET

NXP RF Technology Design Strategy

To keep a reasonable output impedance above 1500 W, NXP is raising the voltage
(formula for each side of a transistor, in HF frequencies)

Output impedance

Higher impedance makes it easier to match to 50 ohm.

$$R_L = \frac{V^2}{2P}$$

Drain voltage

NXP is raising the voltage V to increase the output power P , while keeping the output impedance R_L reasonable.

$R_L = (65^2 / 2 \times 900W) \times 2 \text{ sides} = 4.7 \text{ ohm}^*$
(transformation ratio to 50 ohms = ~10)

*: examples for a 1800W push-pull transistor.

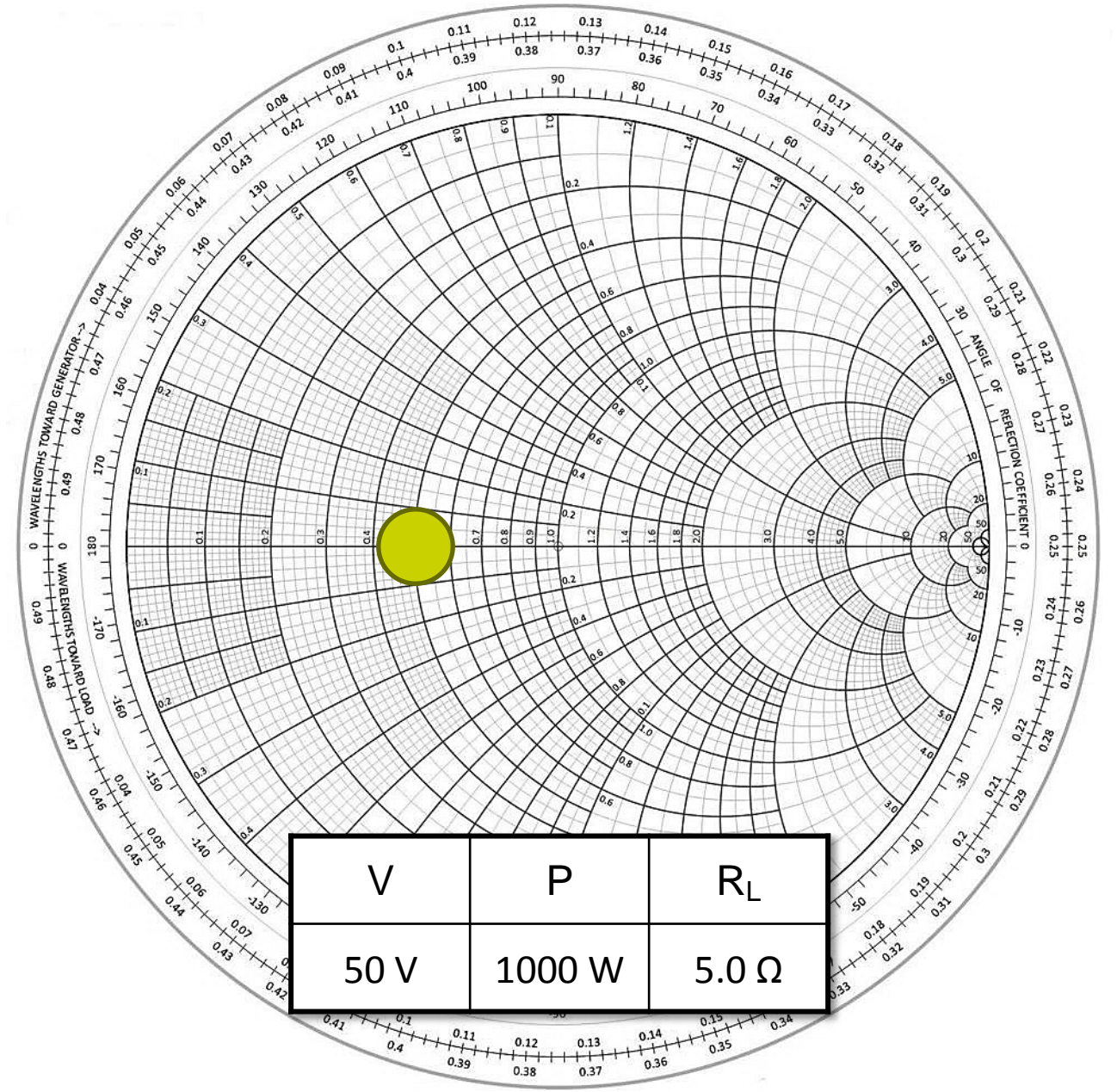
Output power.

NXP's competitors increase output power P while retaining $V = 50 \text{ V}$. Consequence: reduced output resistance, making the transistors difficult to match and very challenging to use wideband.

$R_L = (50^2 / 2 \times 900W) \times 2 \text{ sides} = 2.8 \text{ ohm}^*$
(transformation ratio to 50 ohms = ~18)

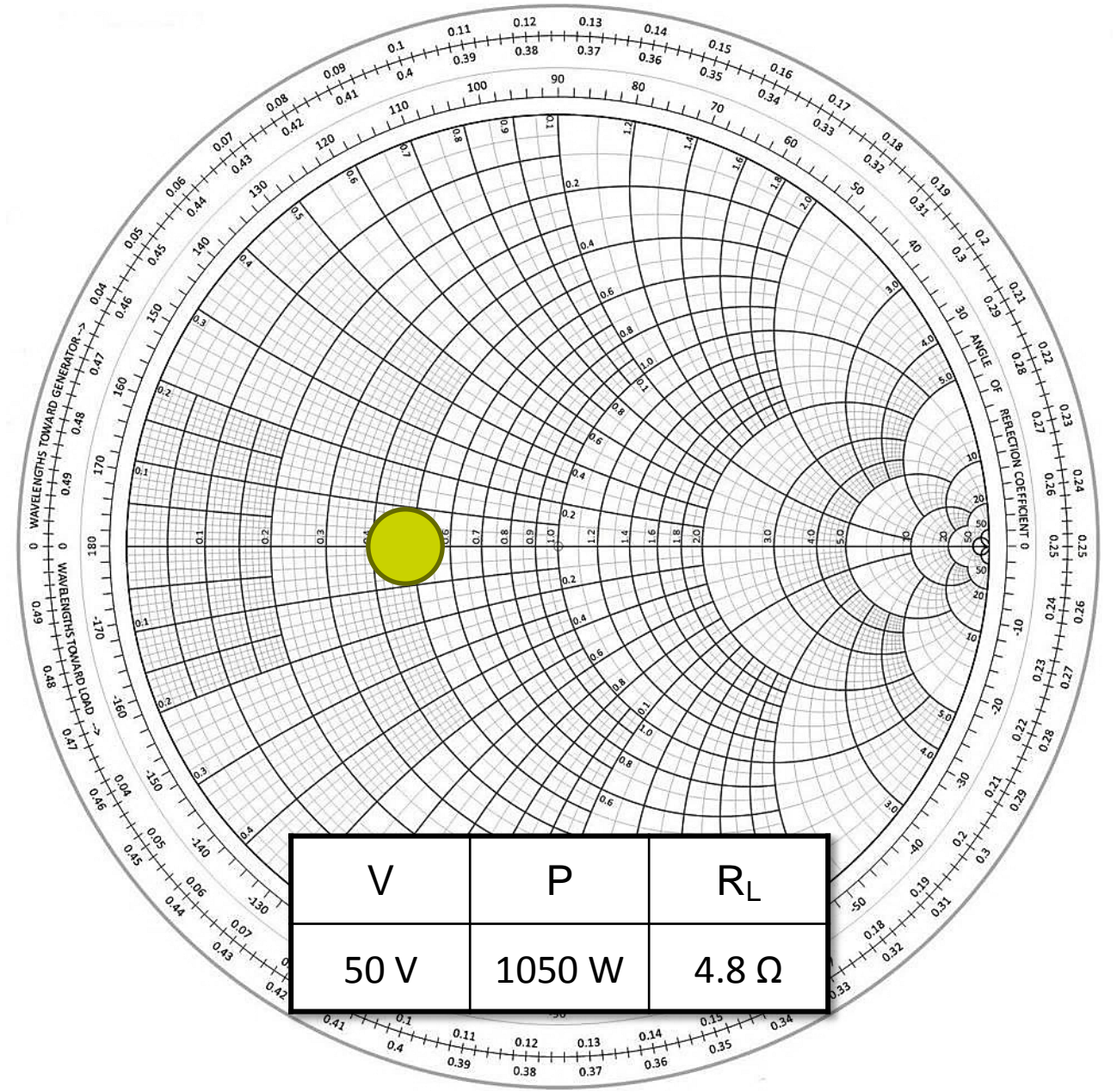
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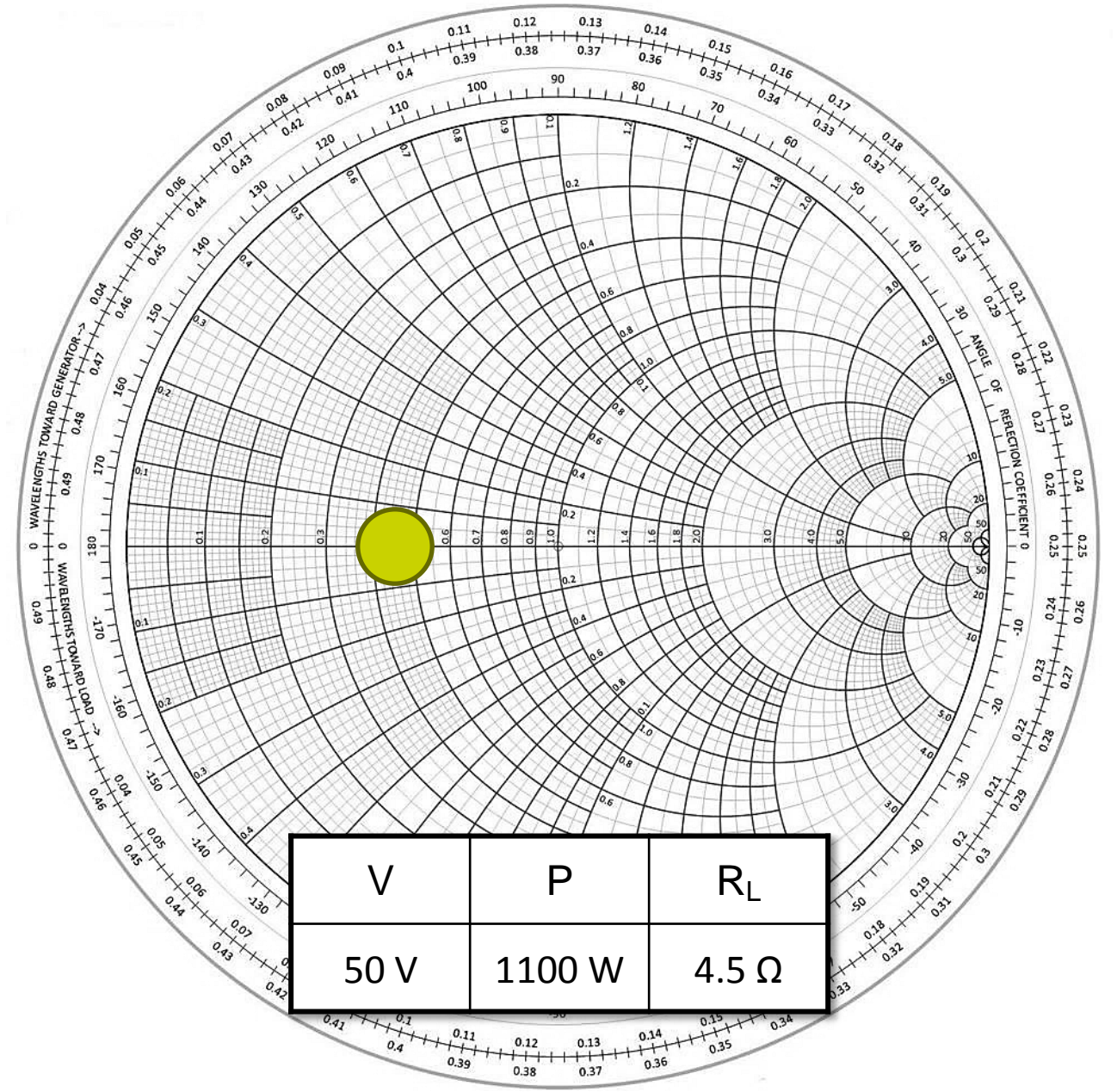
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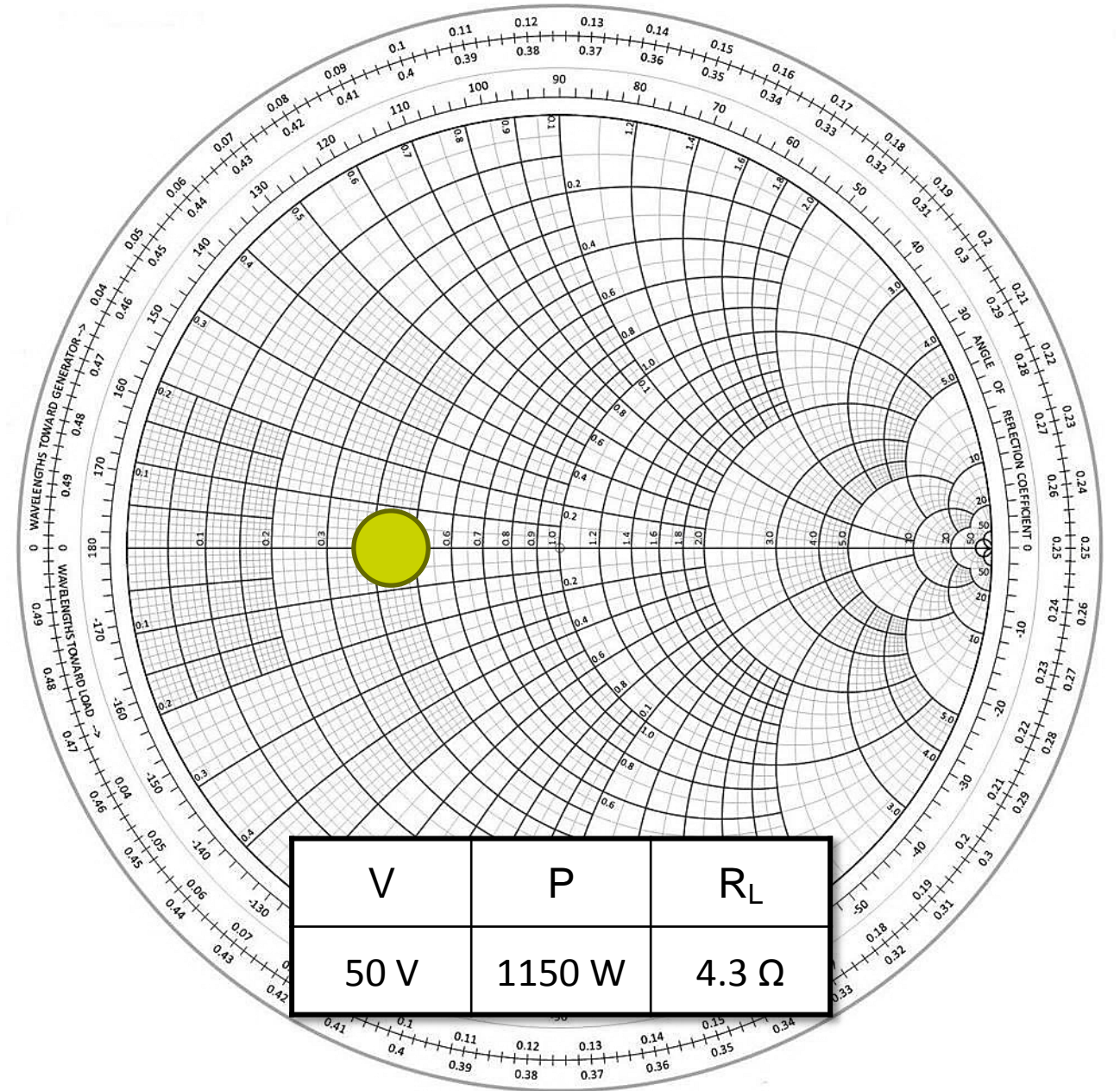
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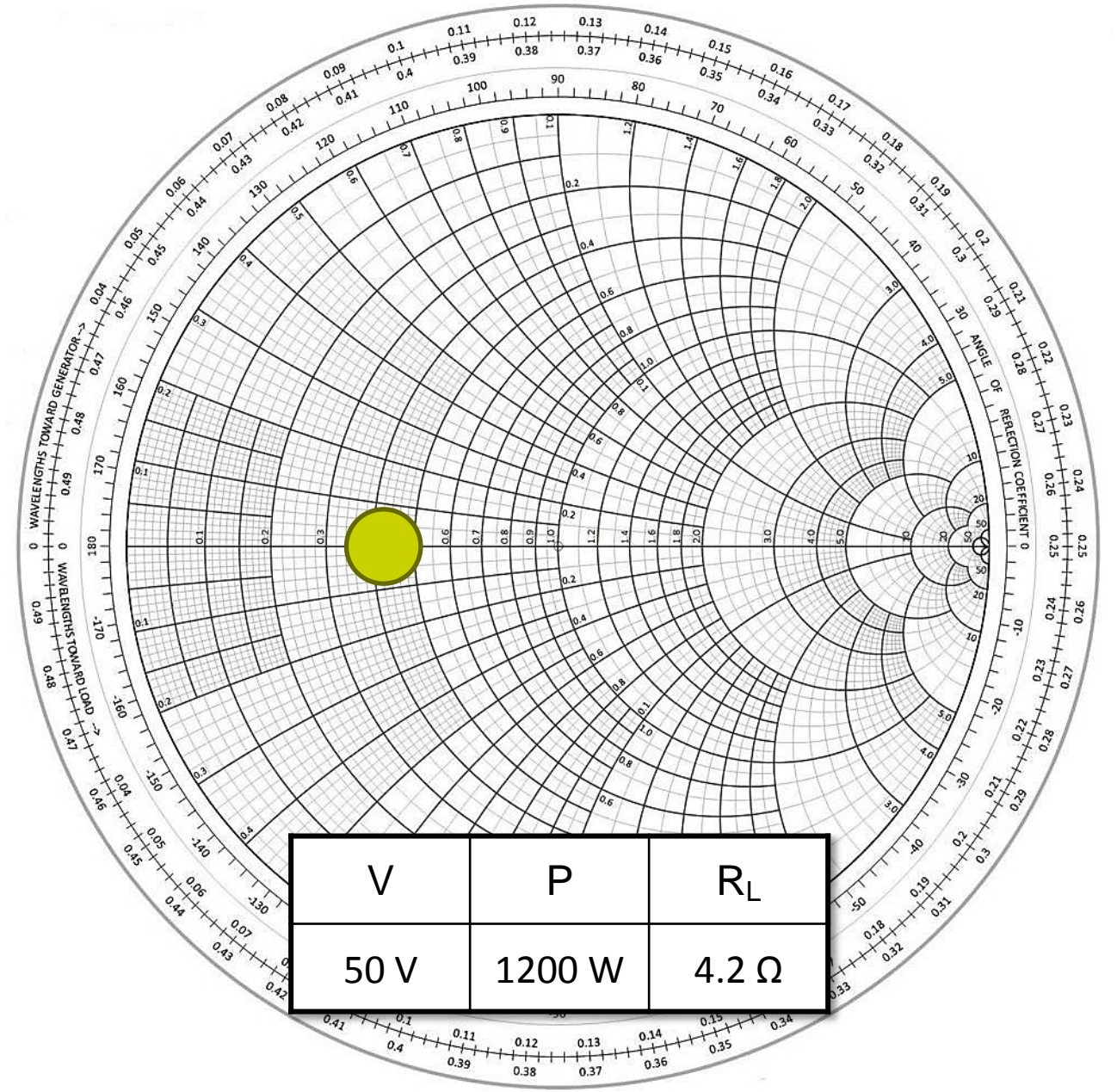
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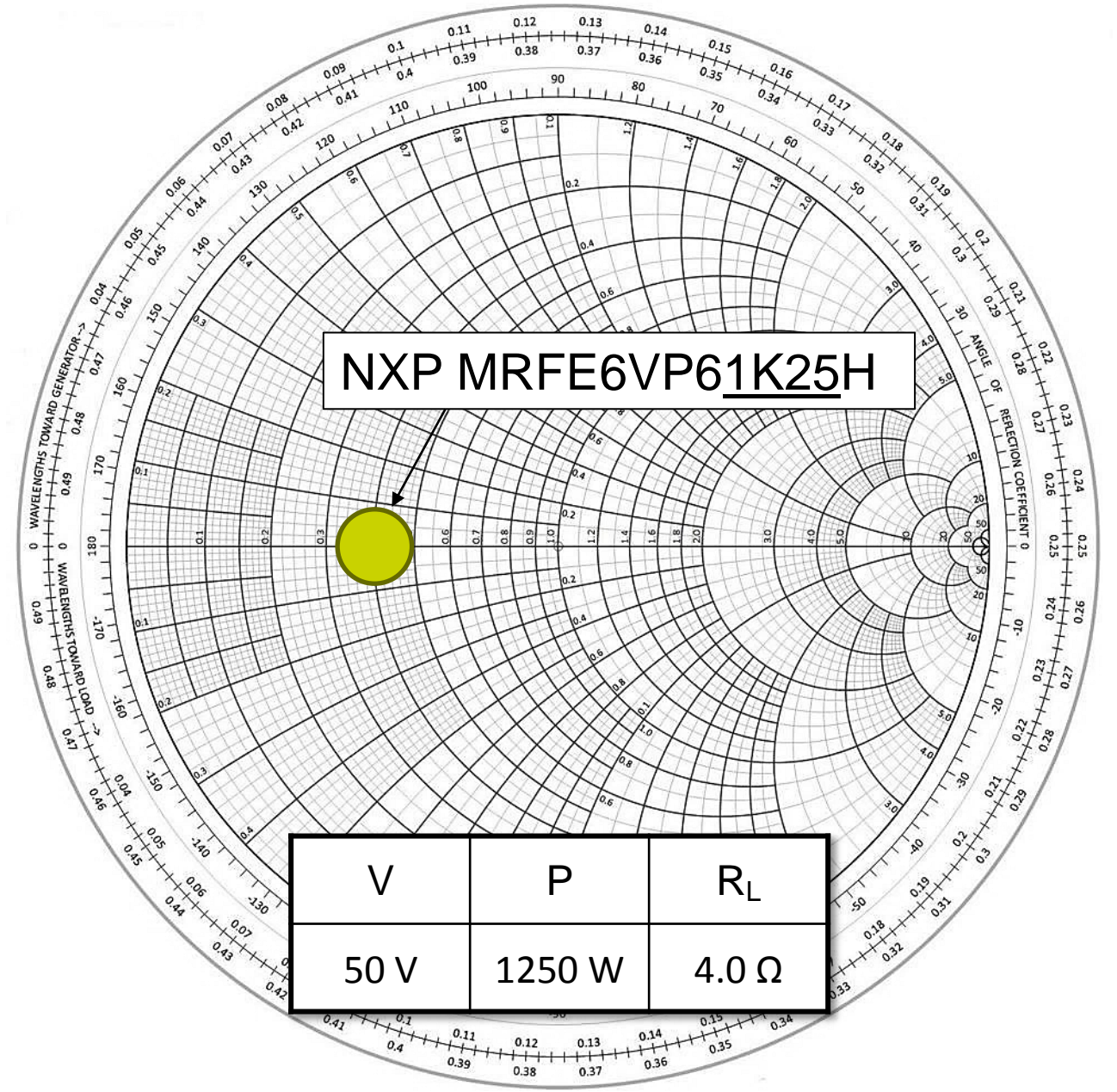
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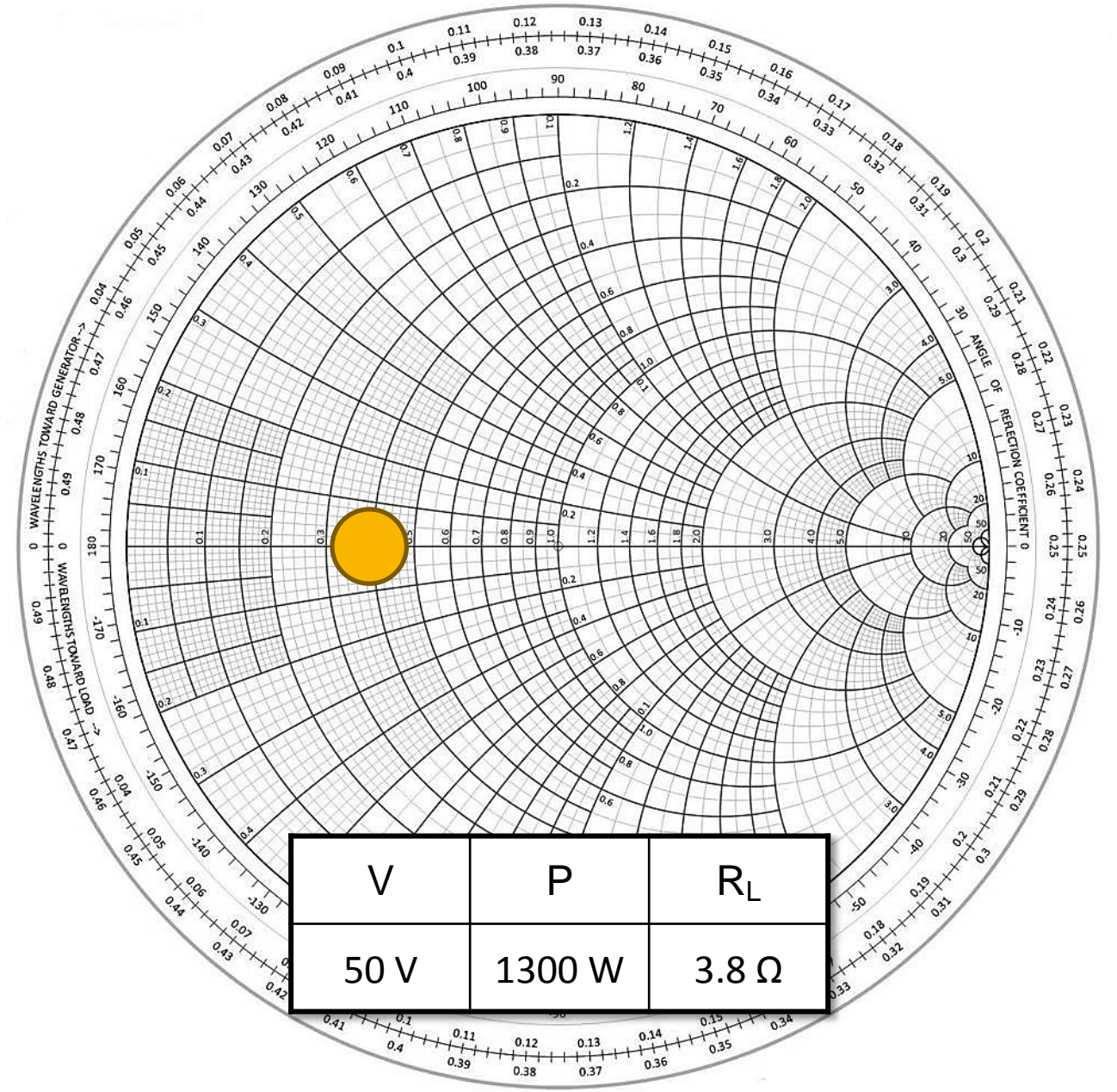
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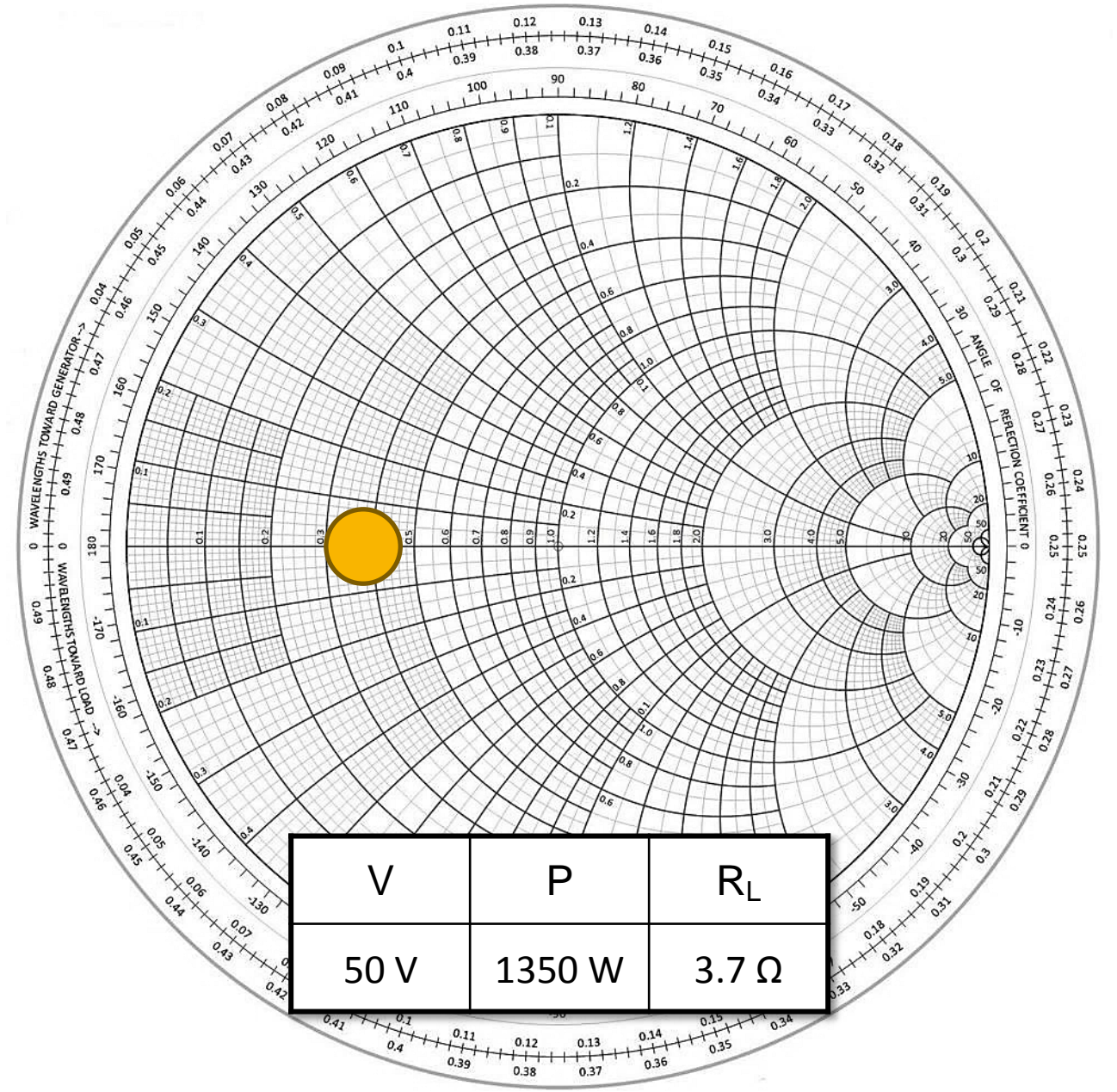
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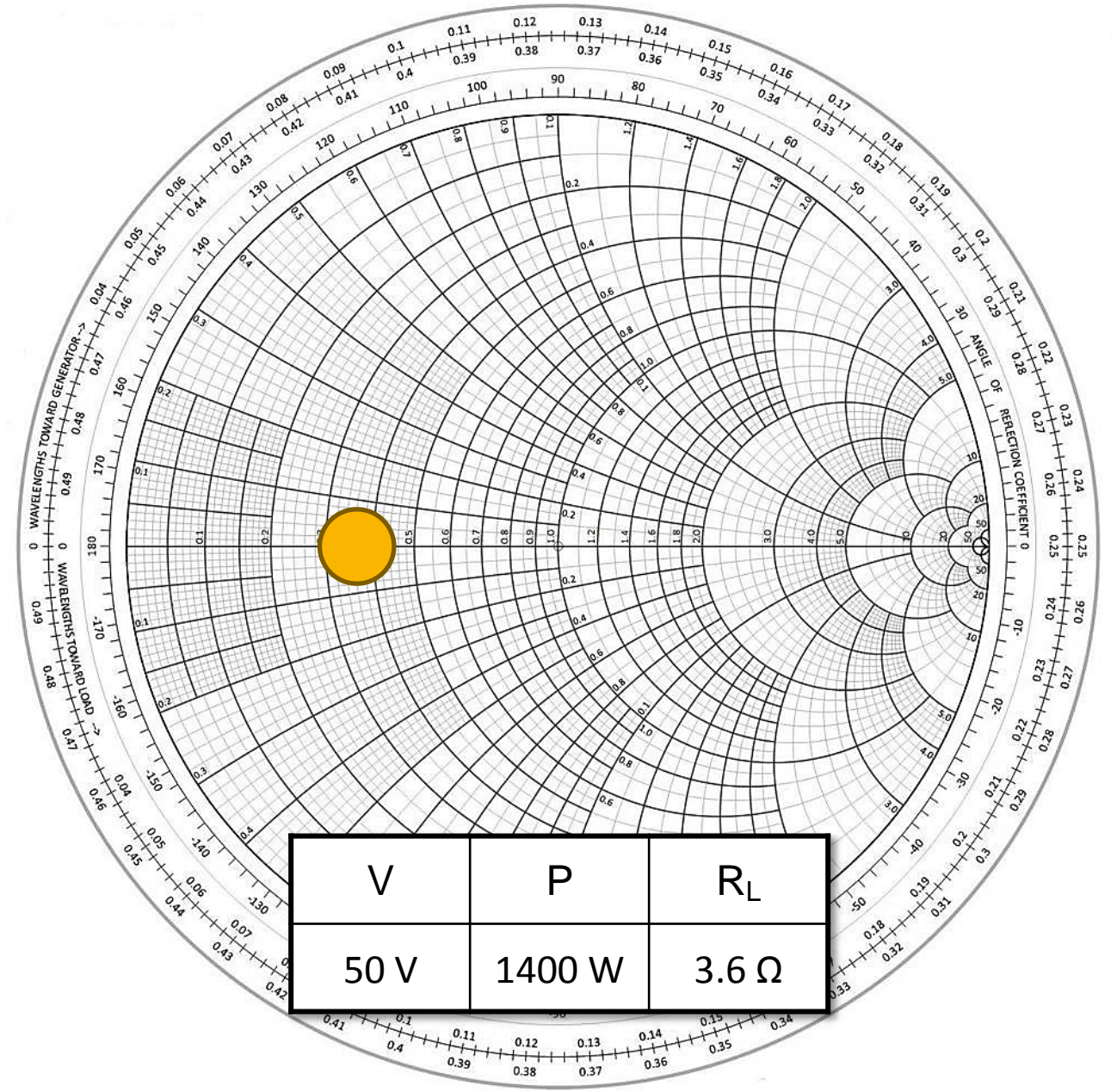
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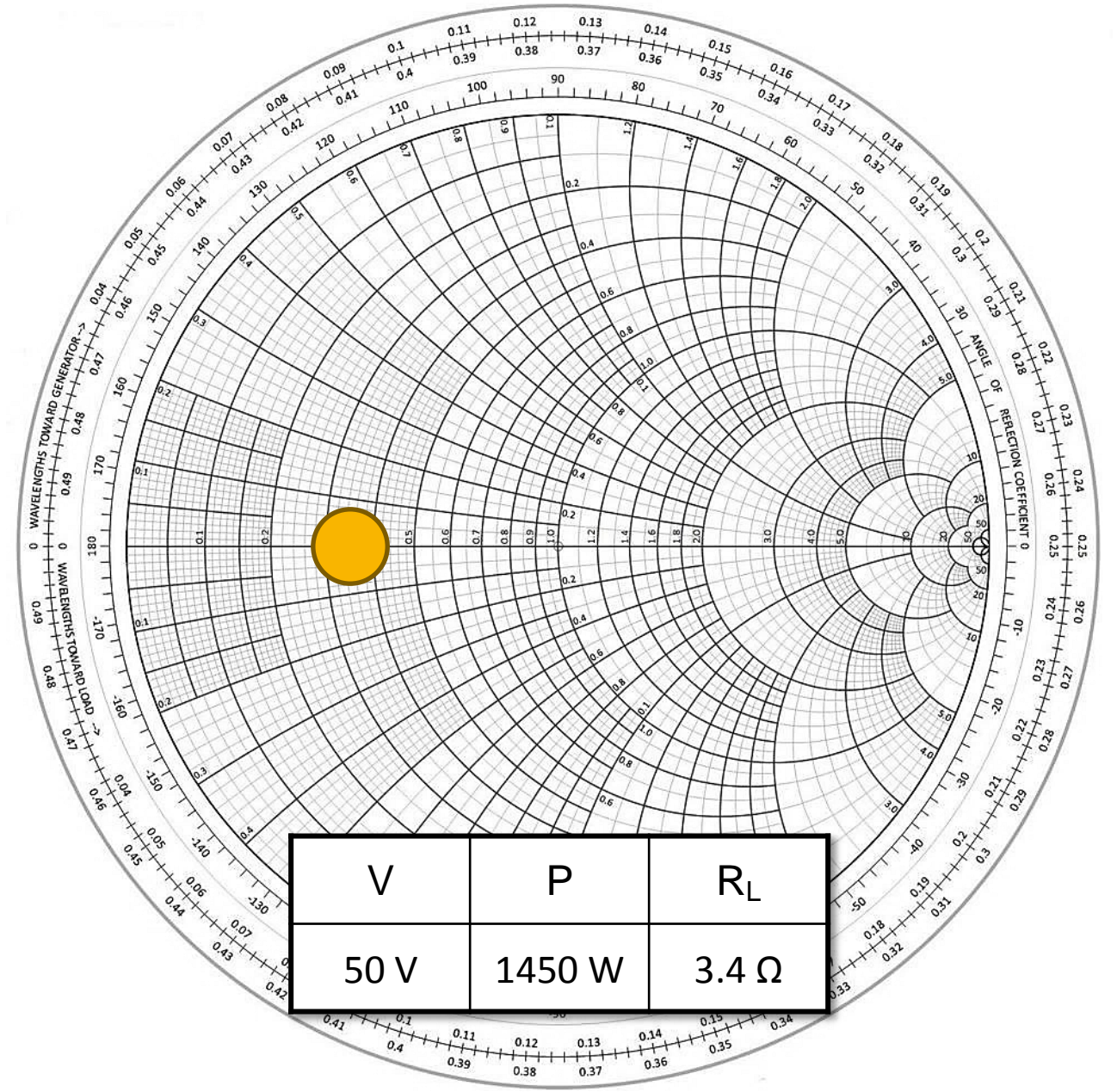
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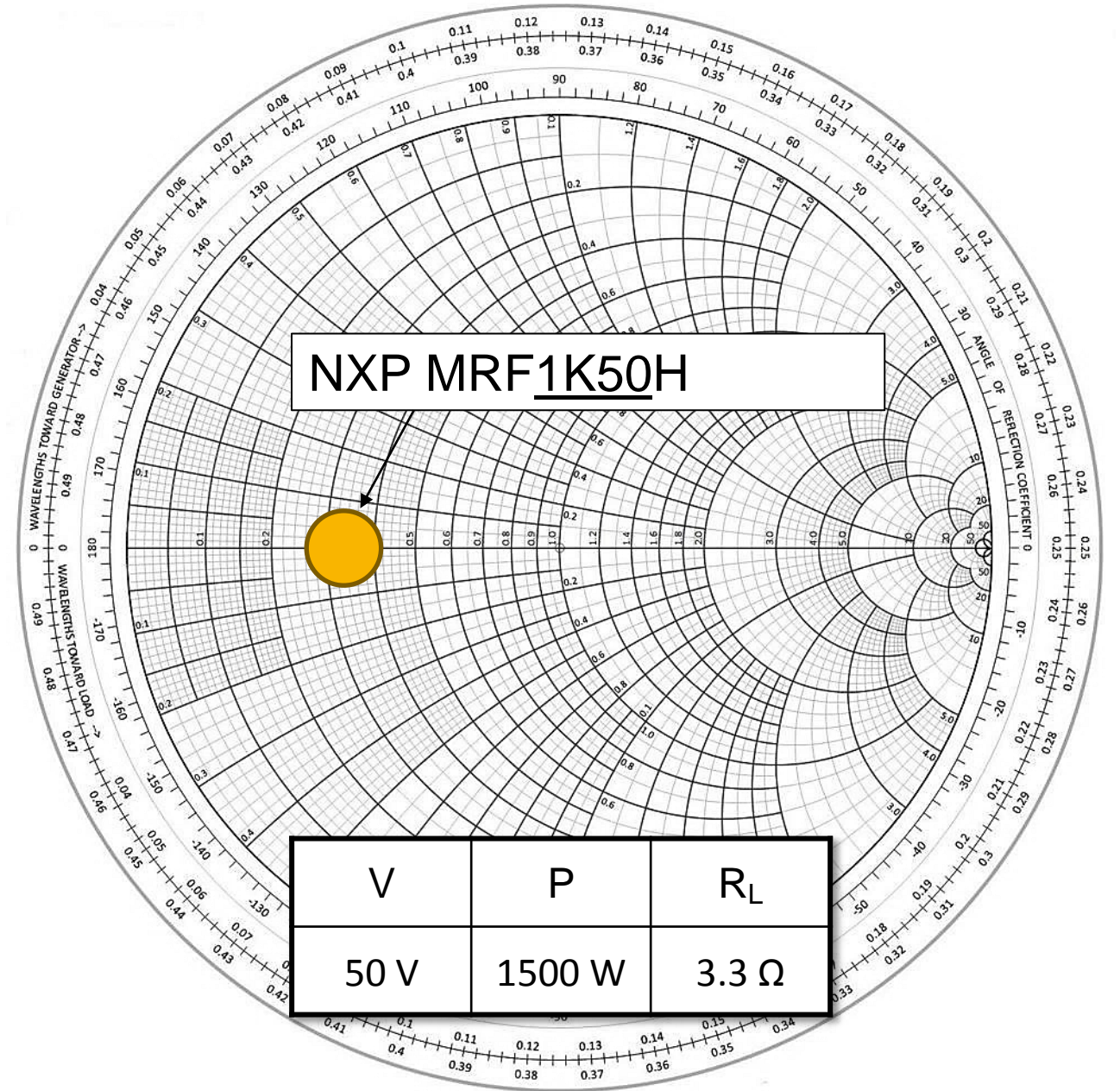
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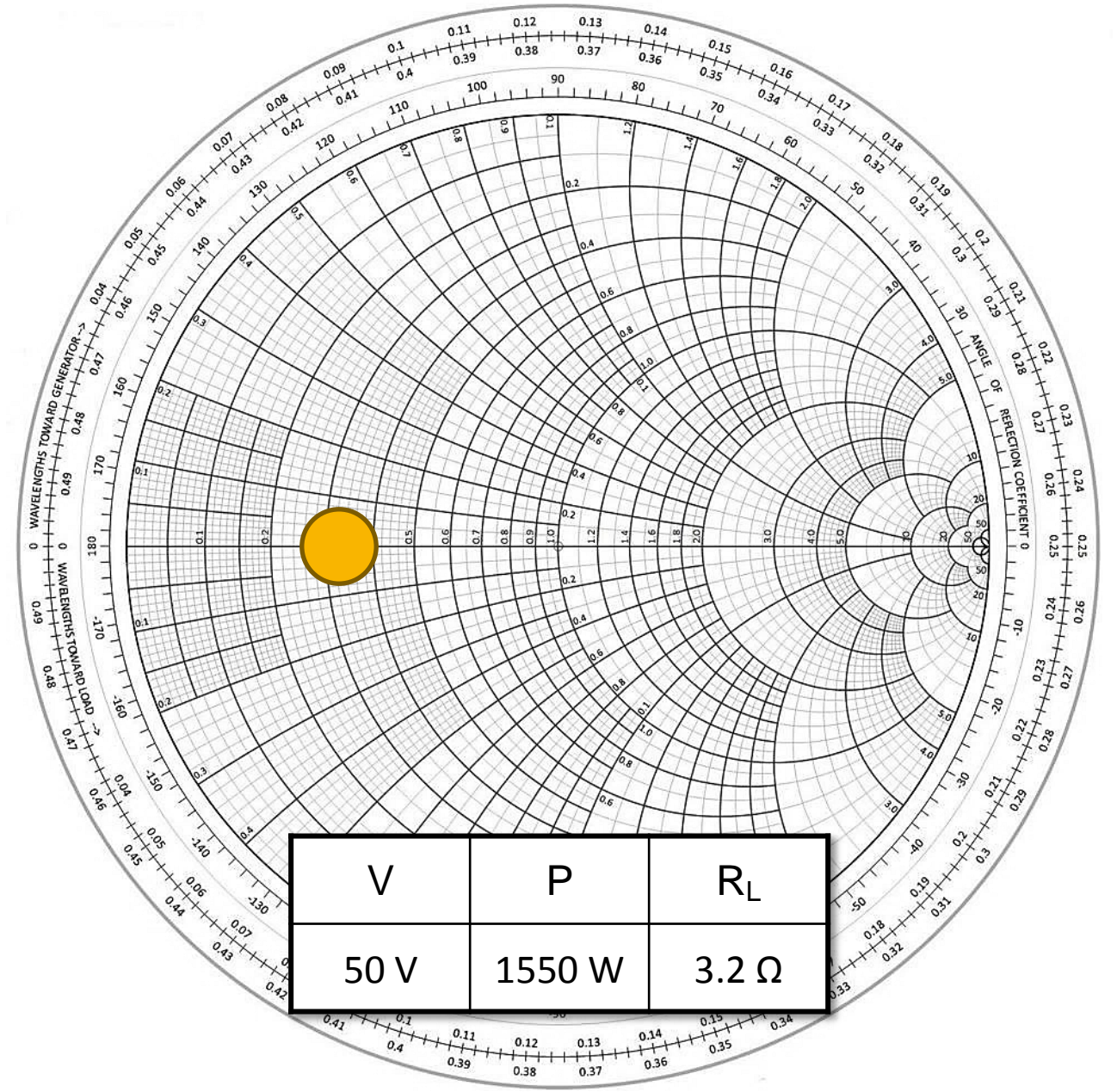
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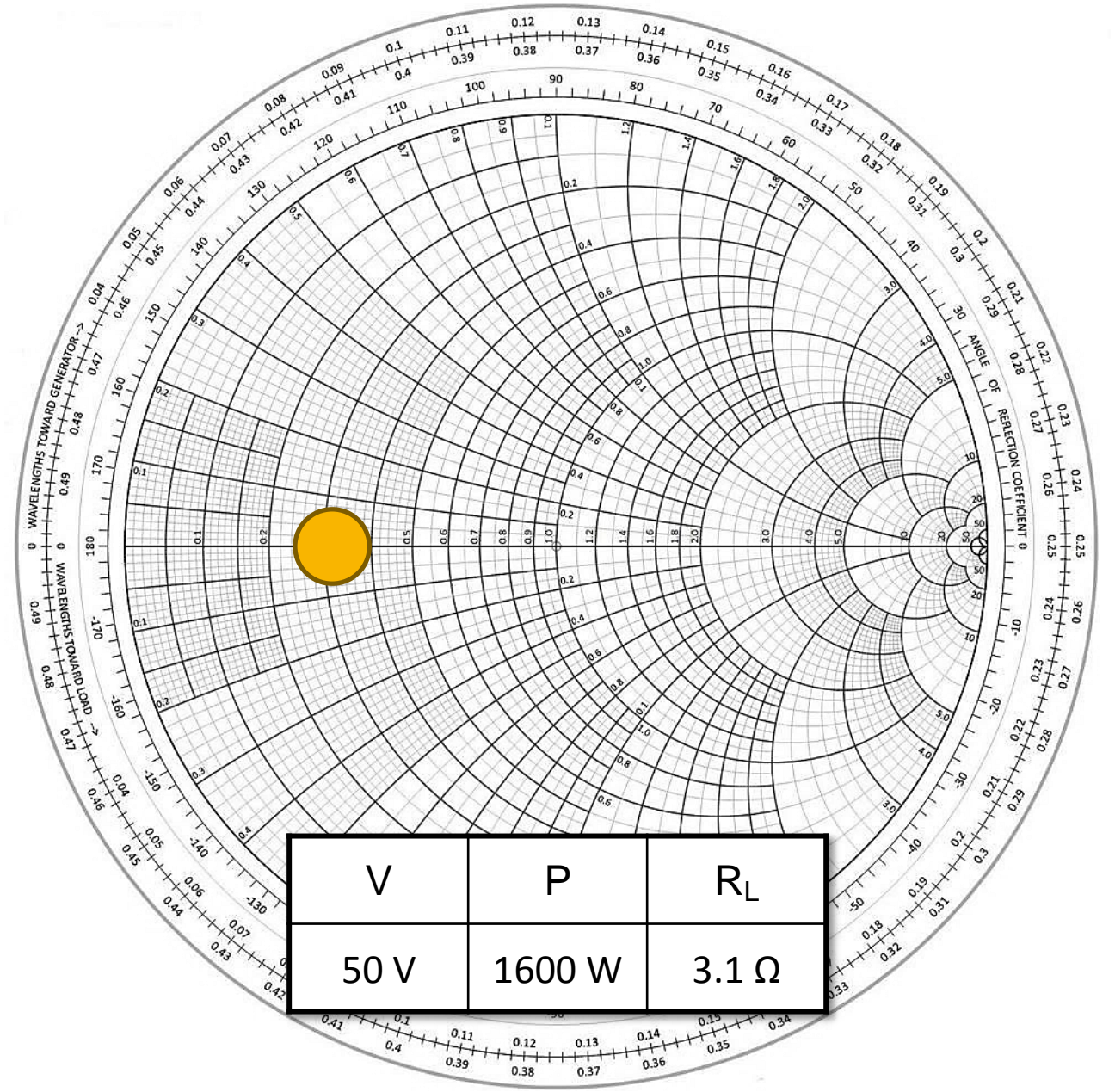
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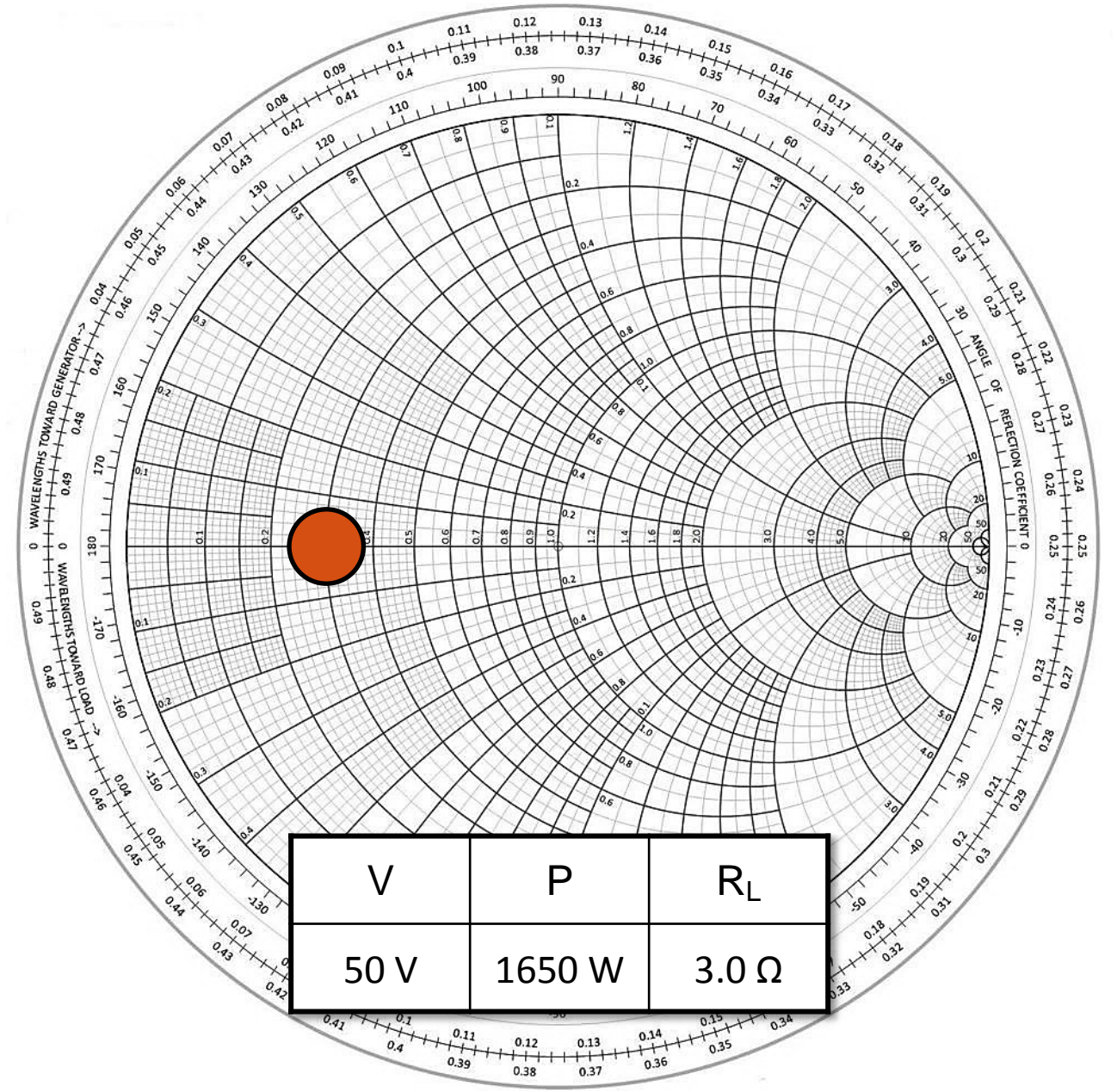
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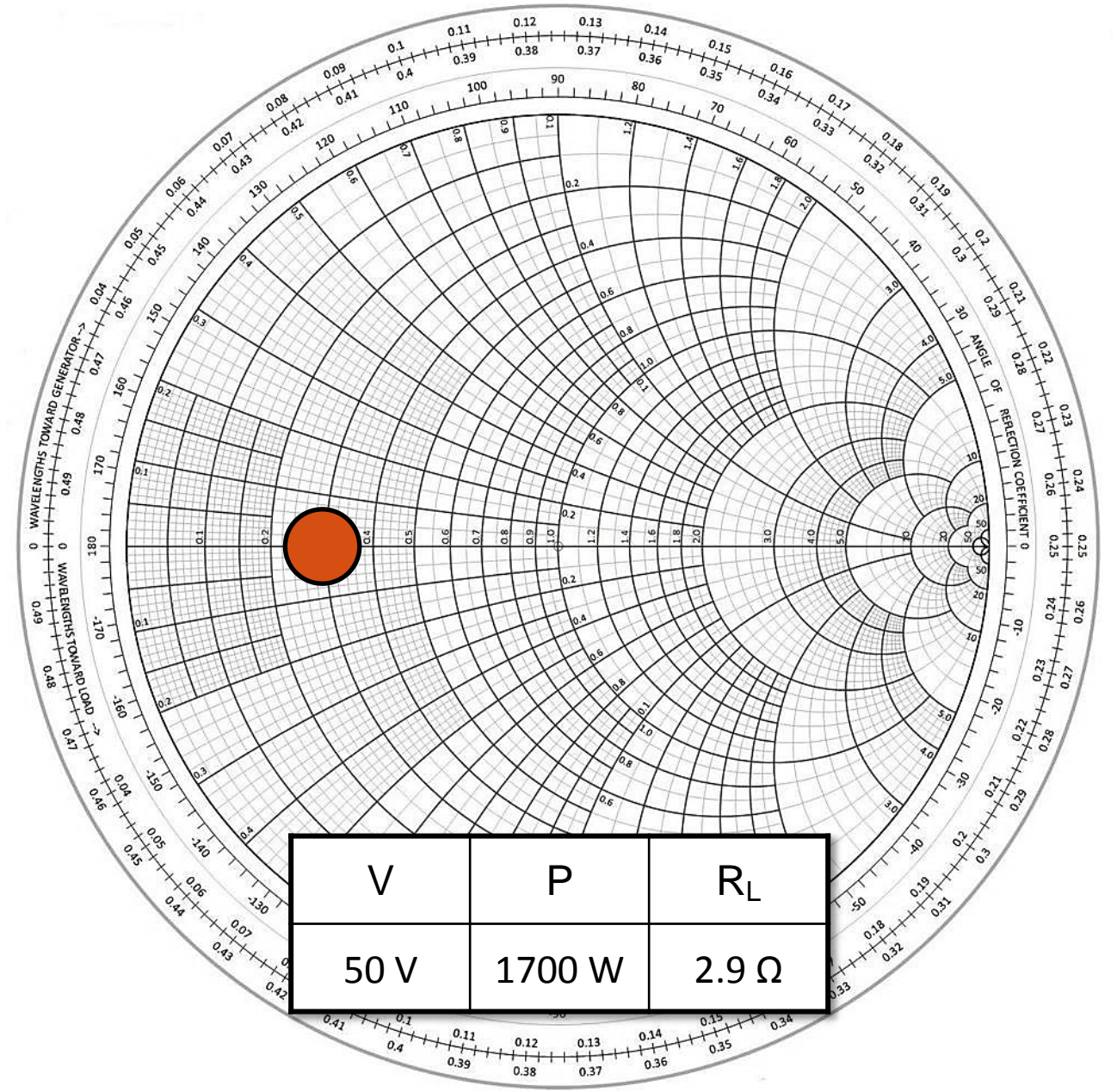
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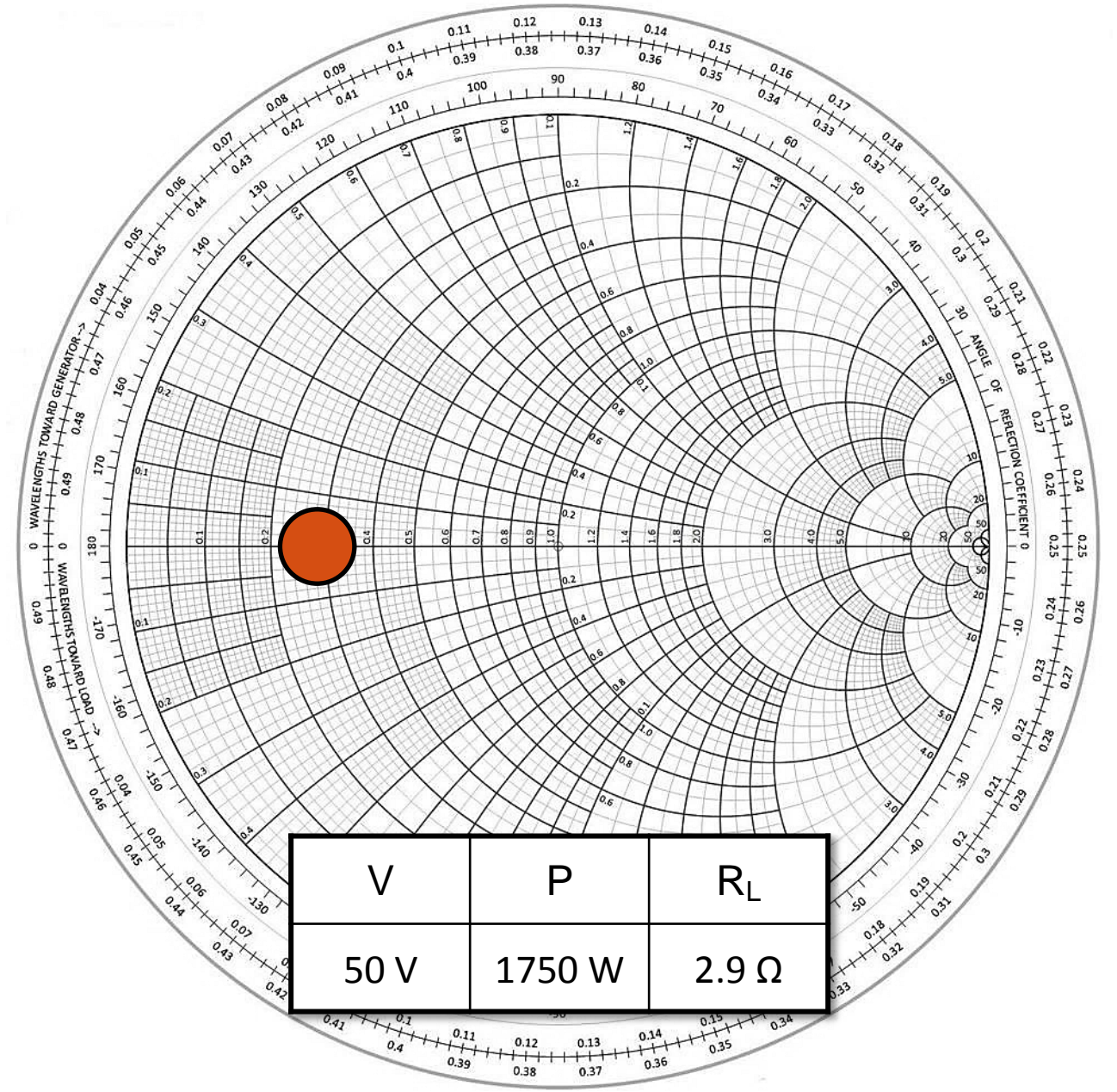
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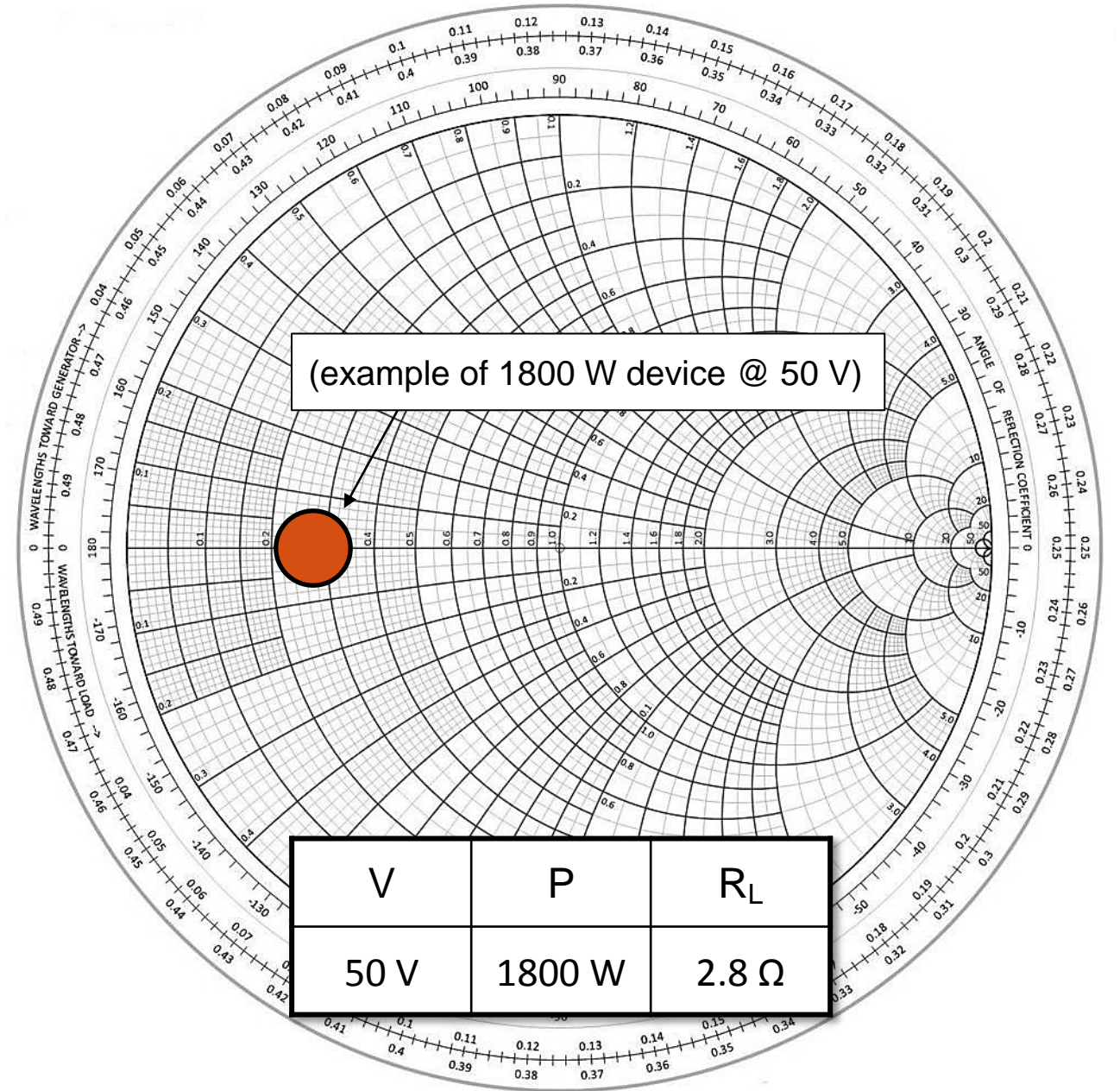
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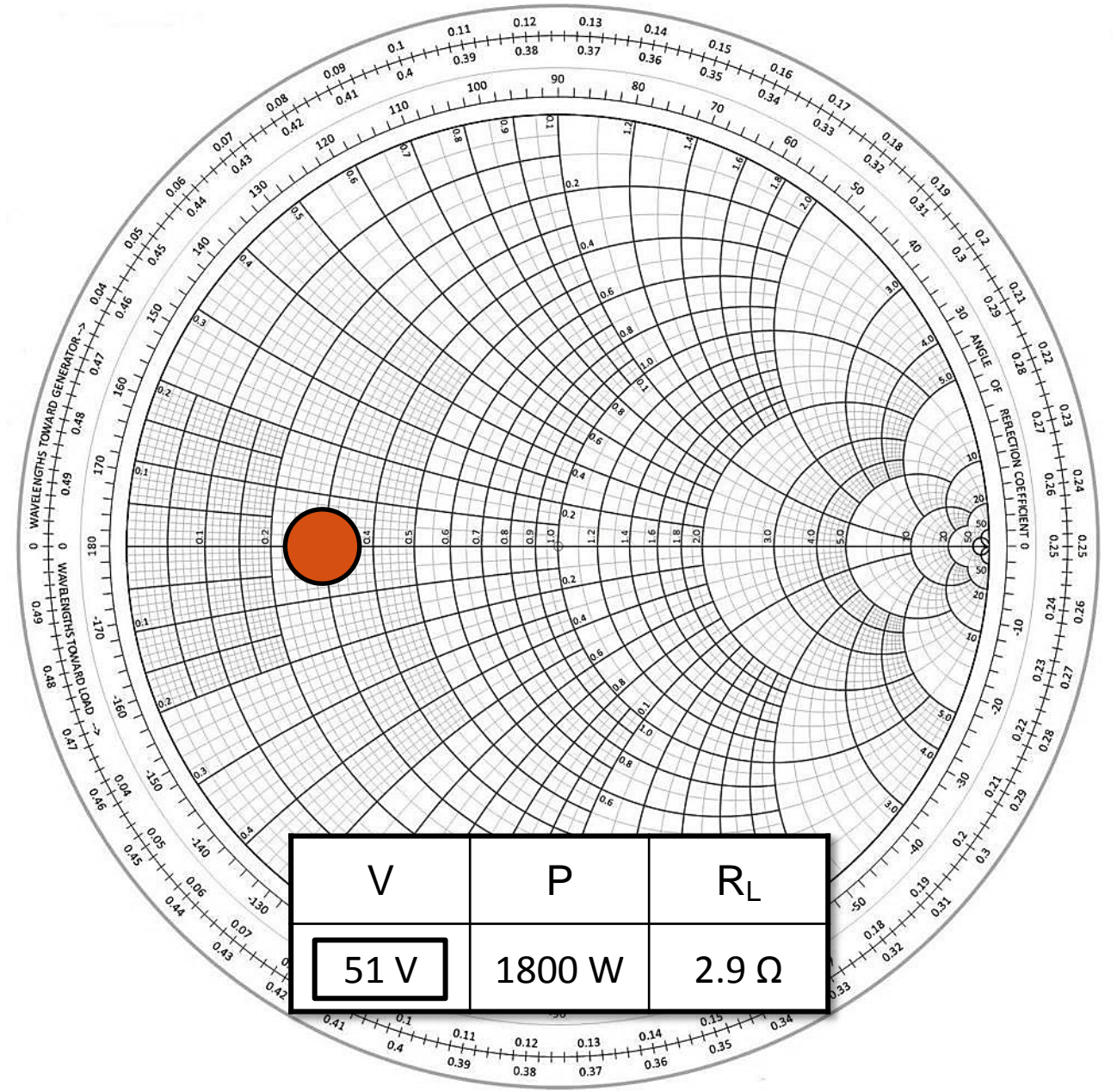
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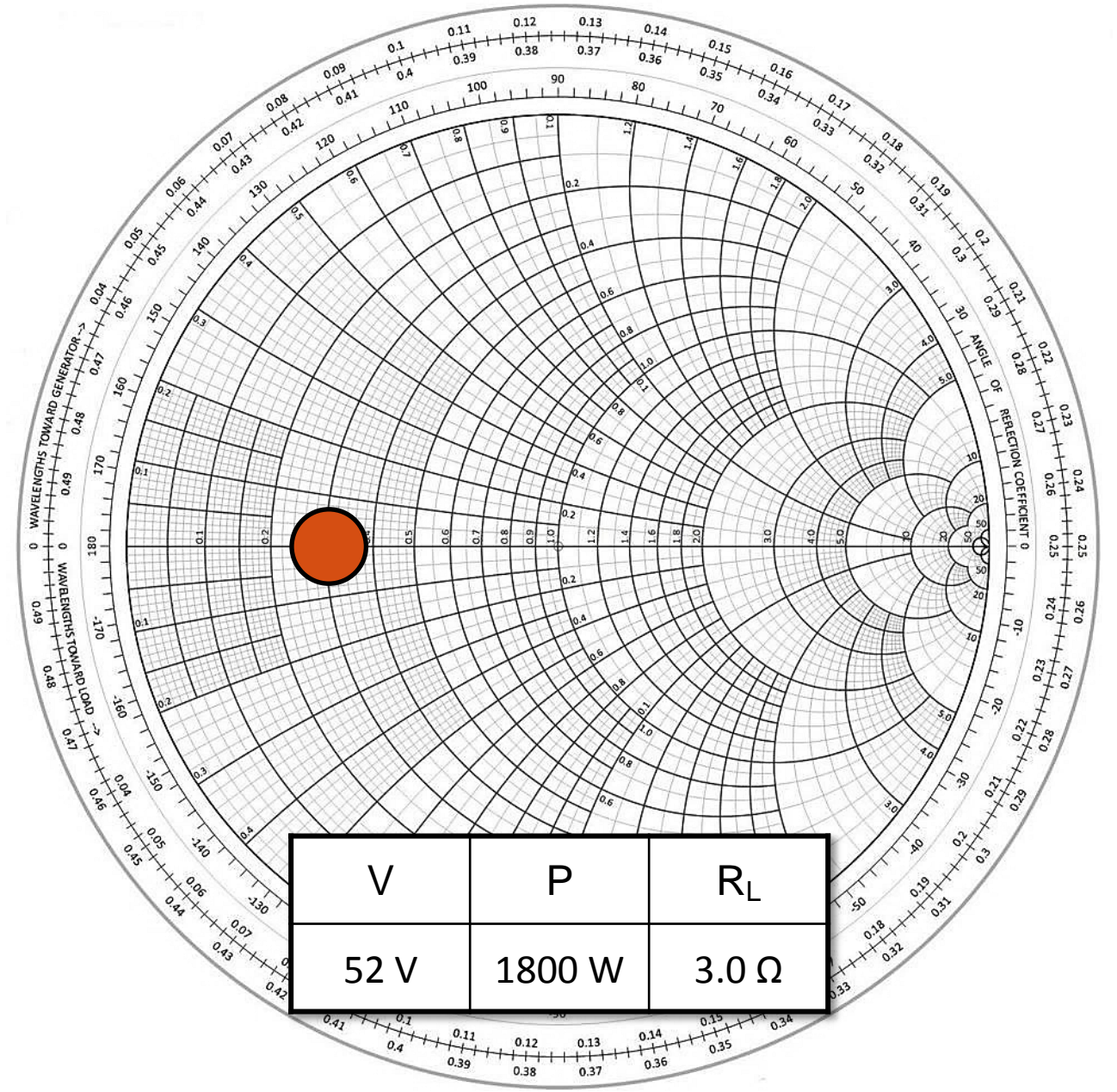
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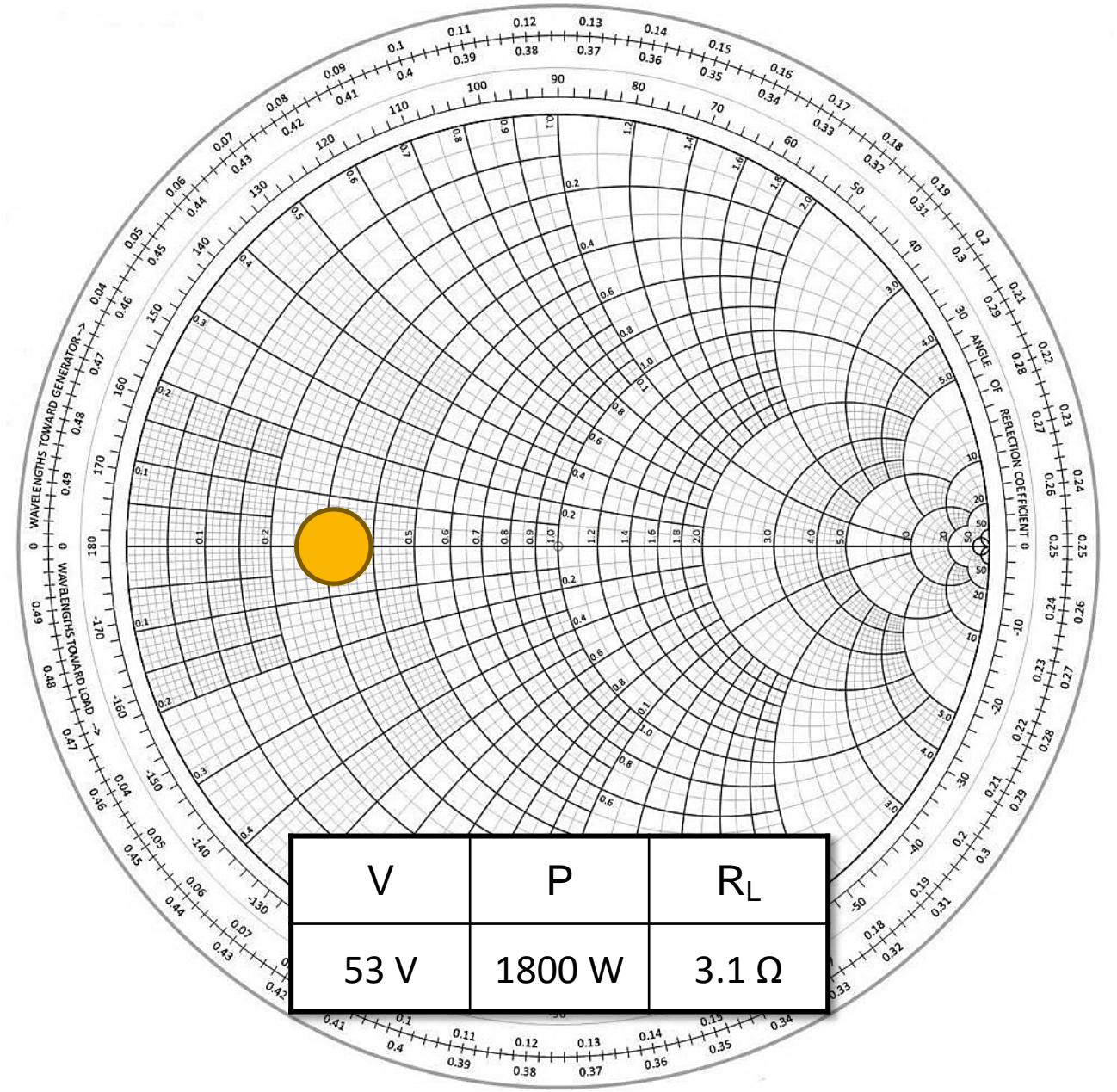
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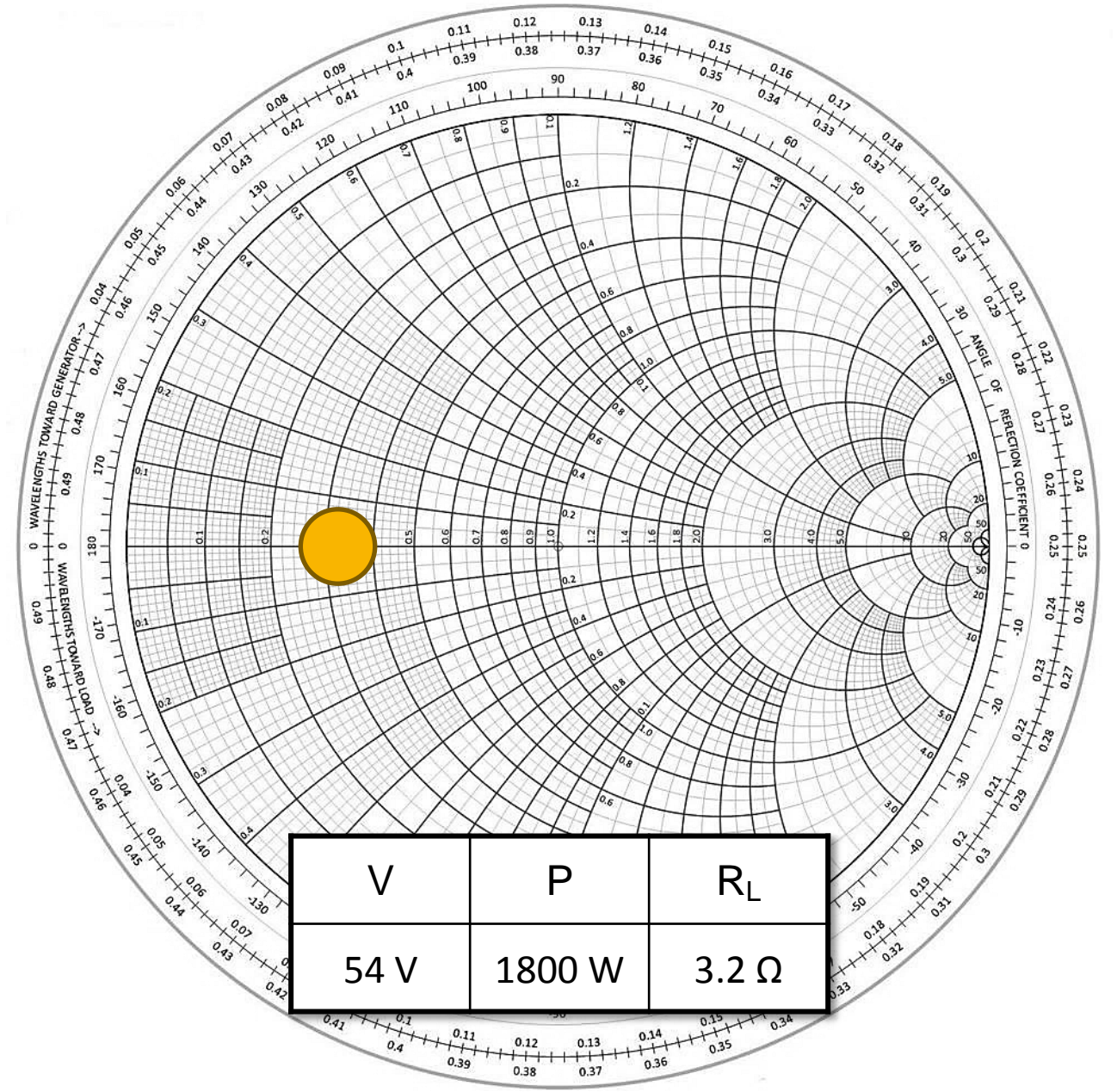
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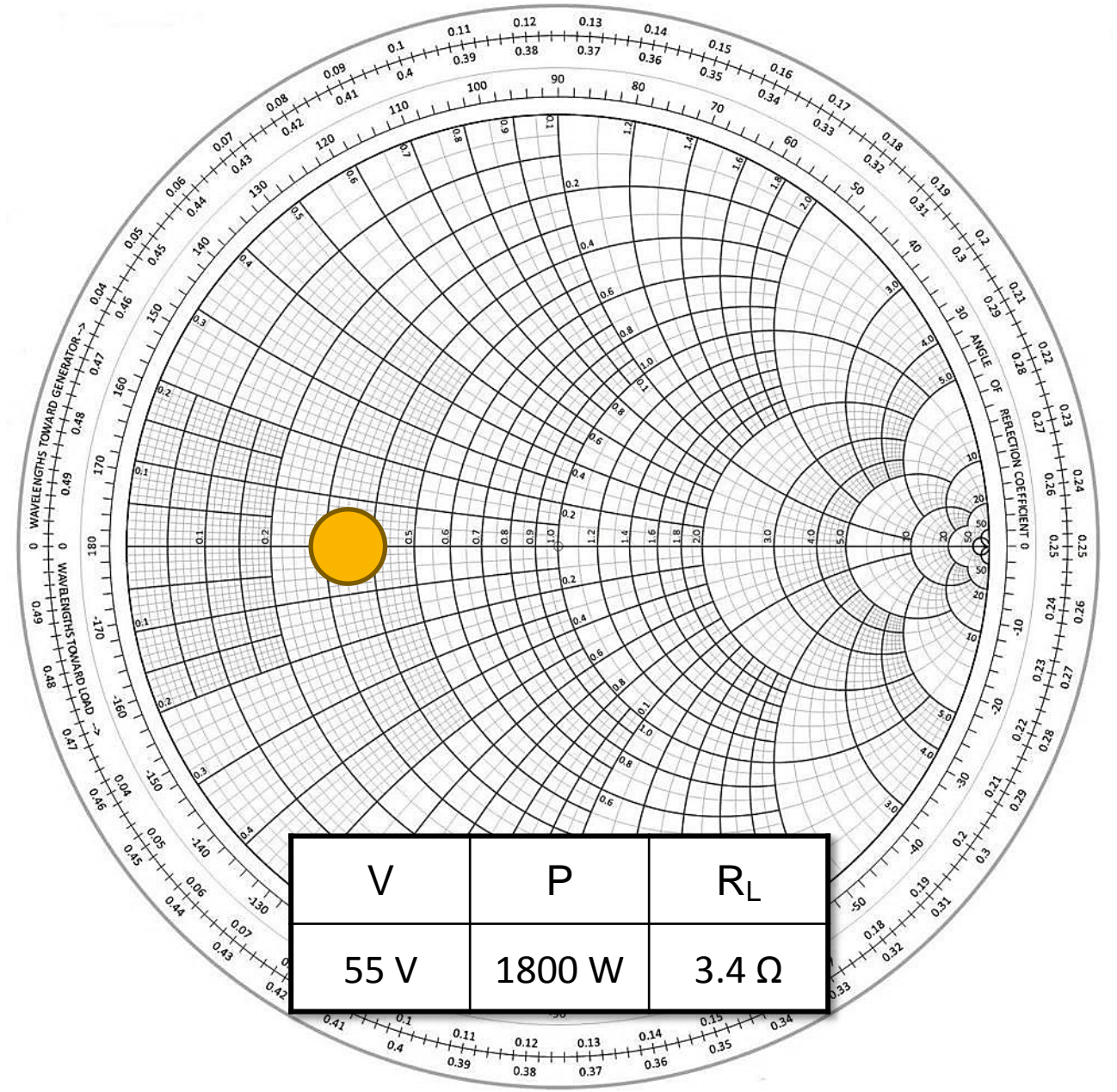
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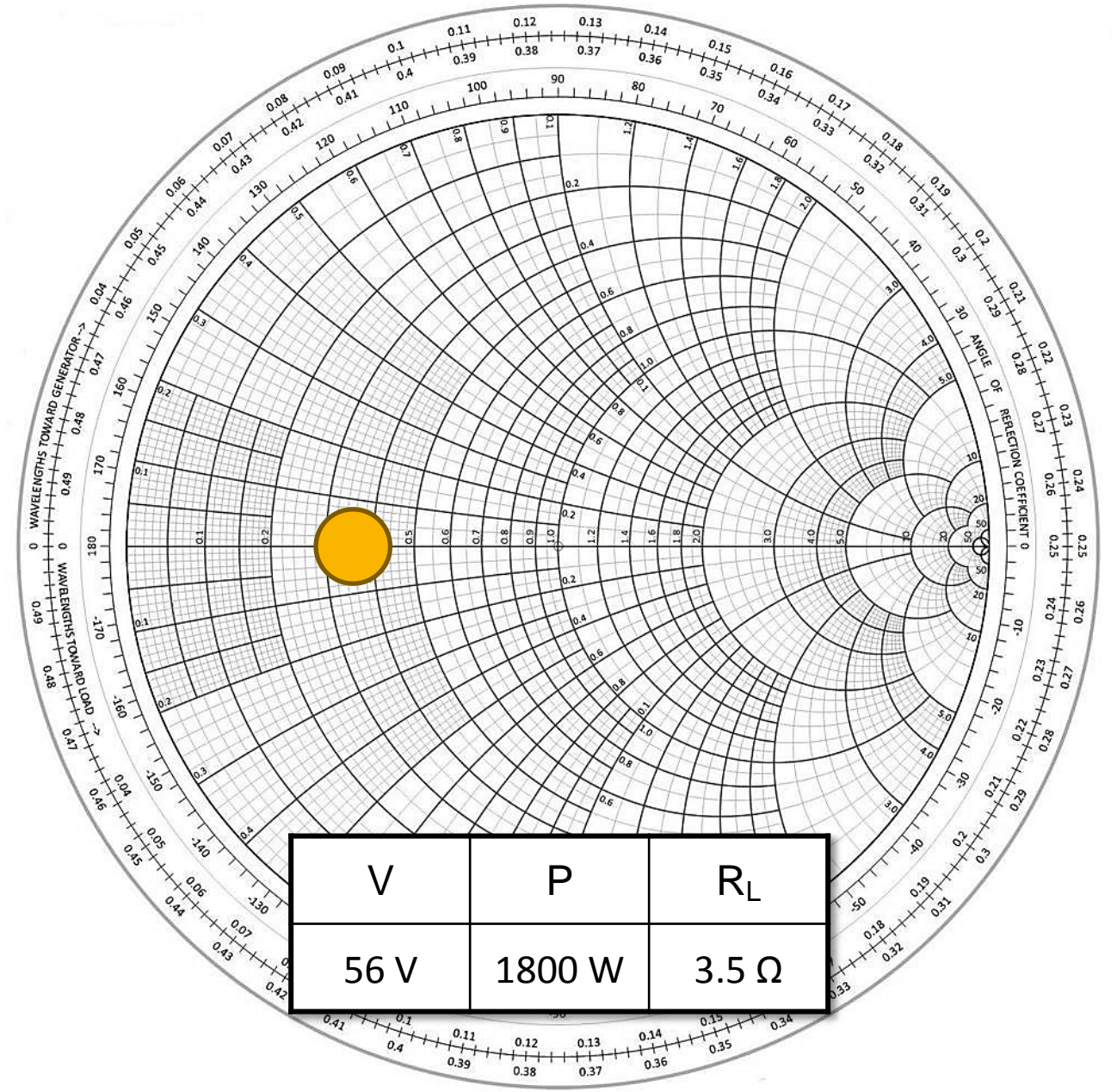
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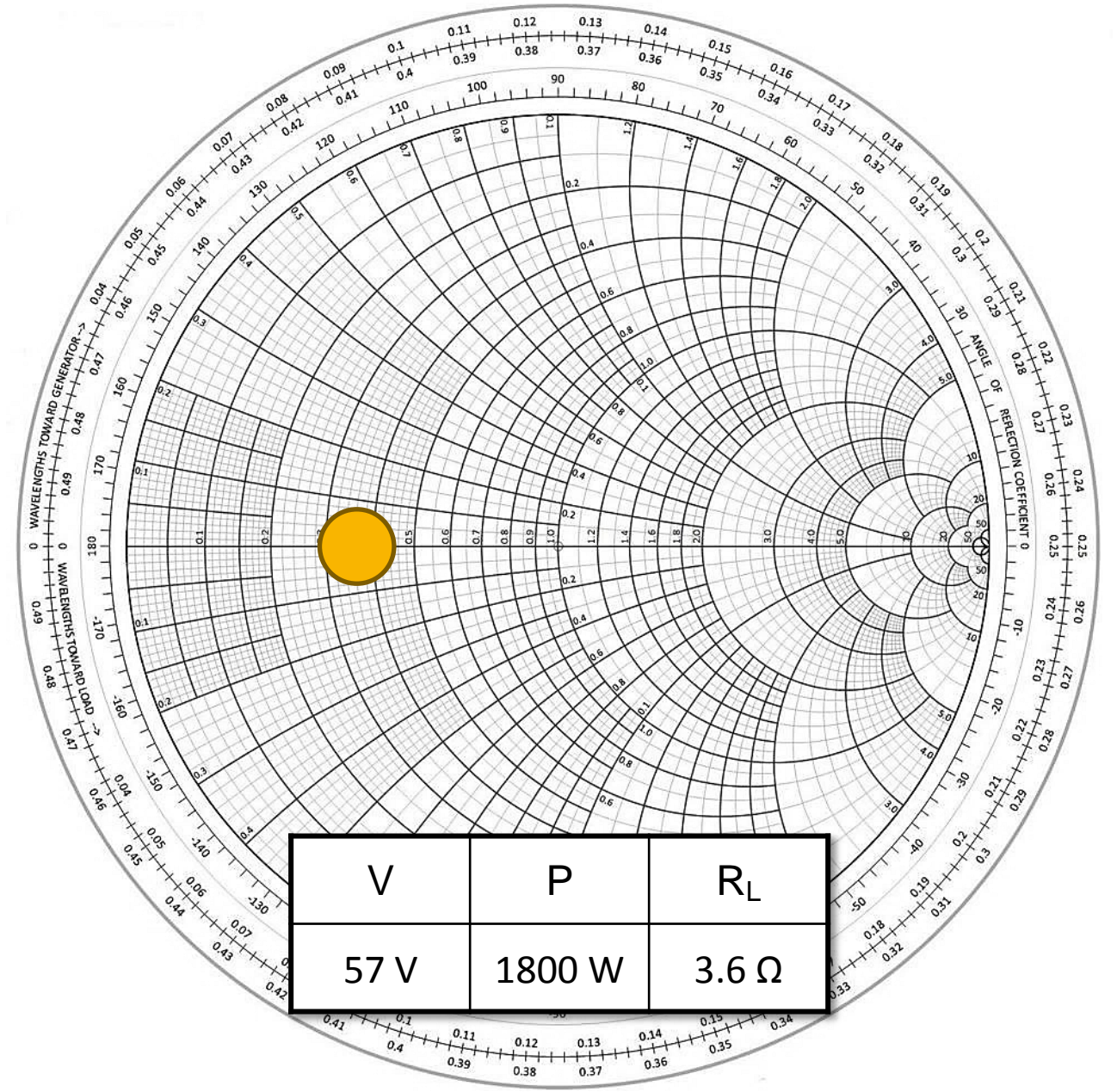
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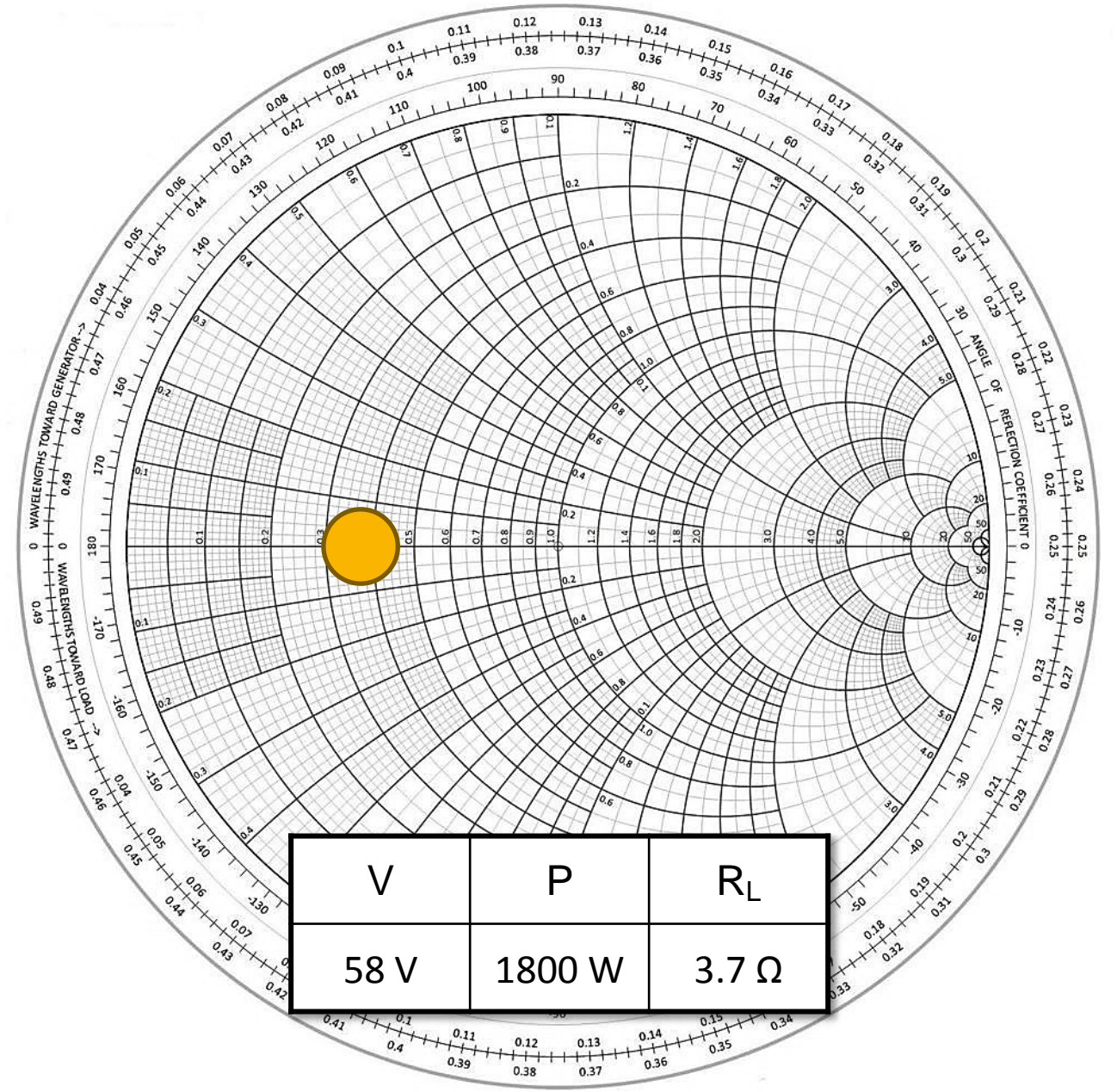
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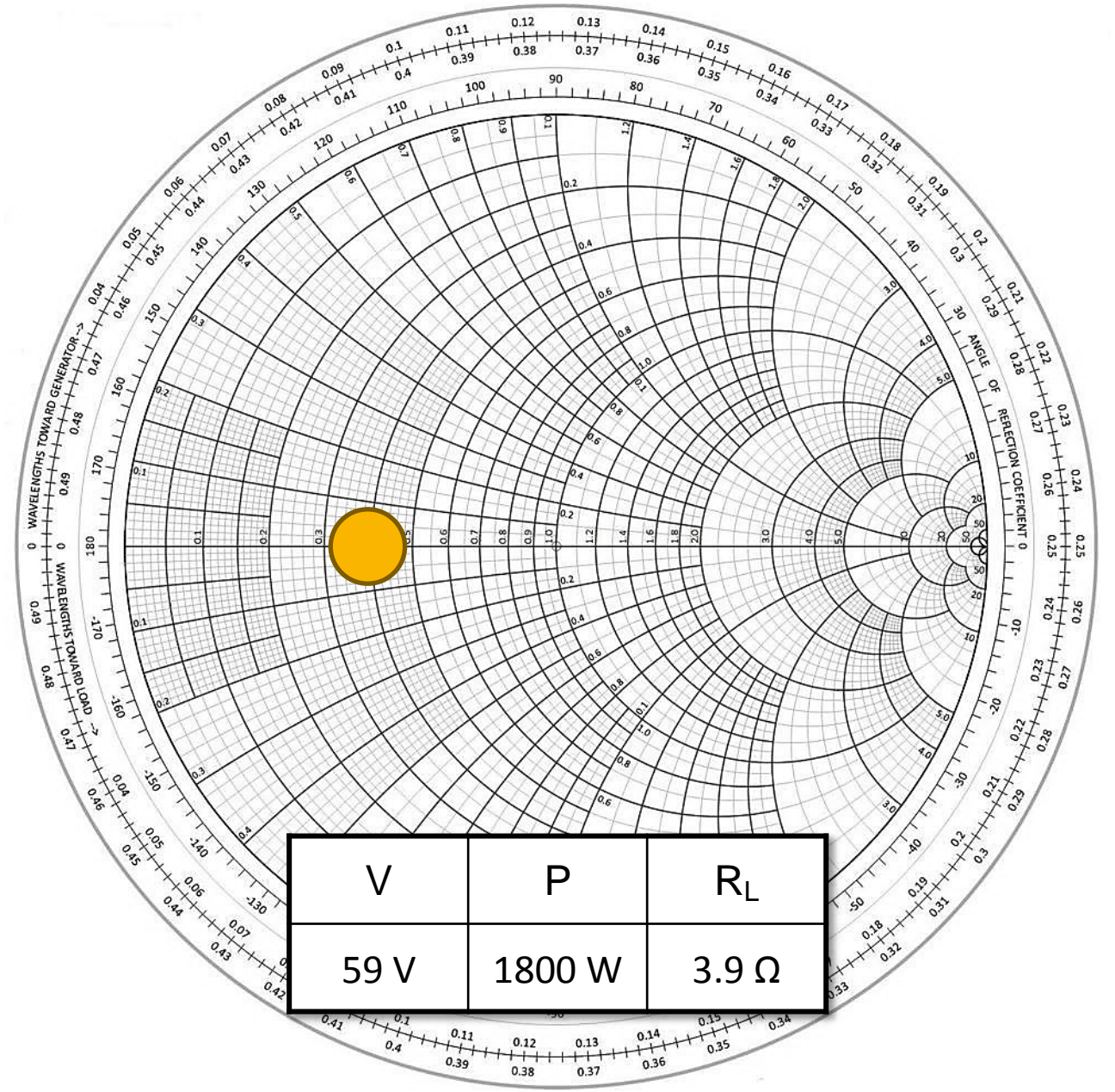
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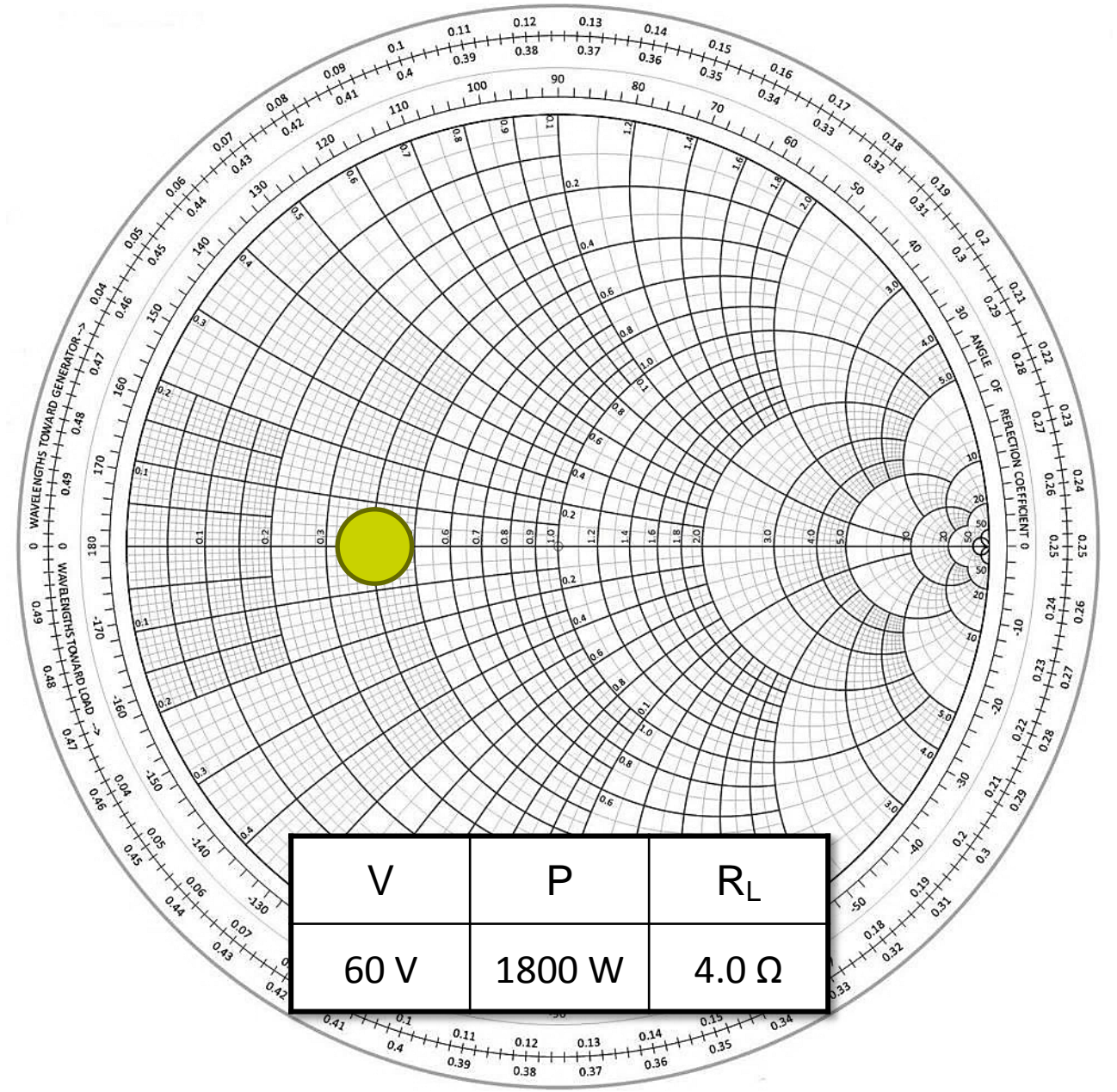
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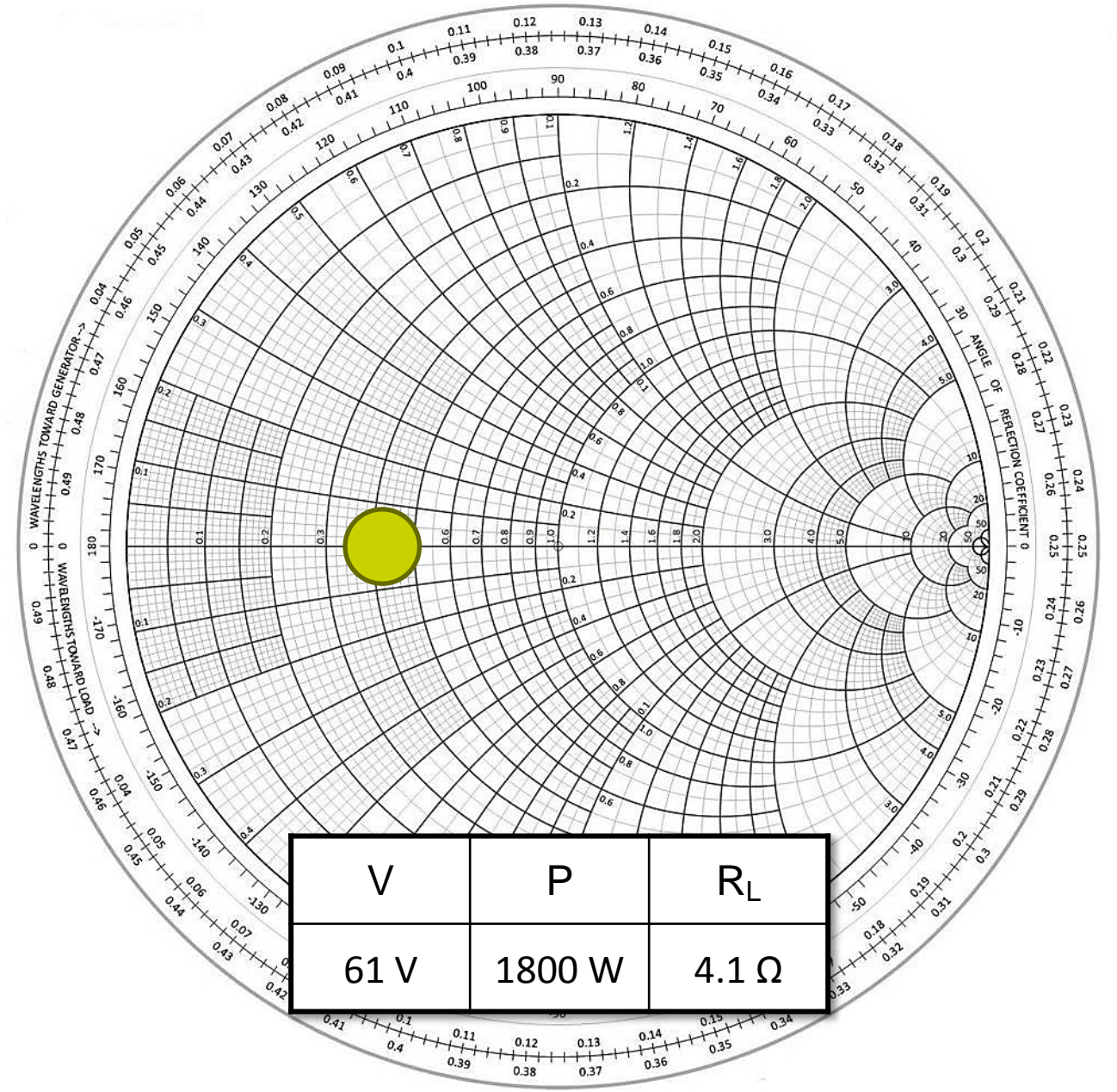
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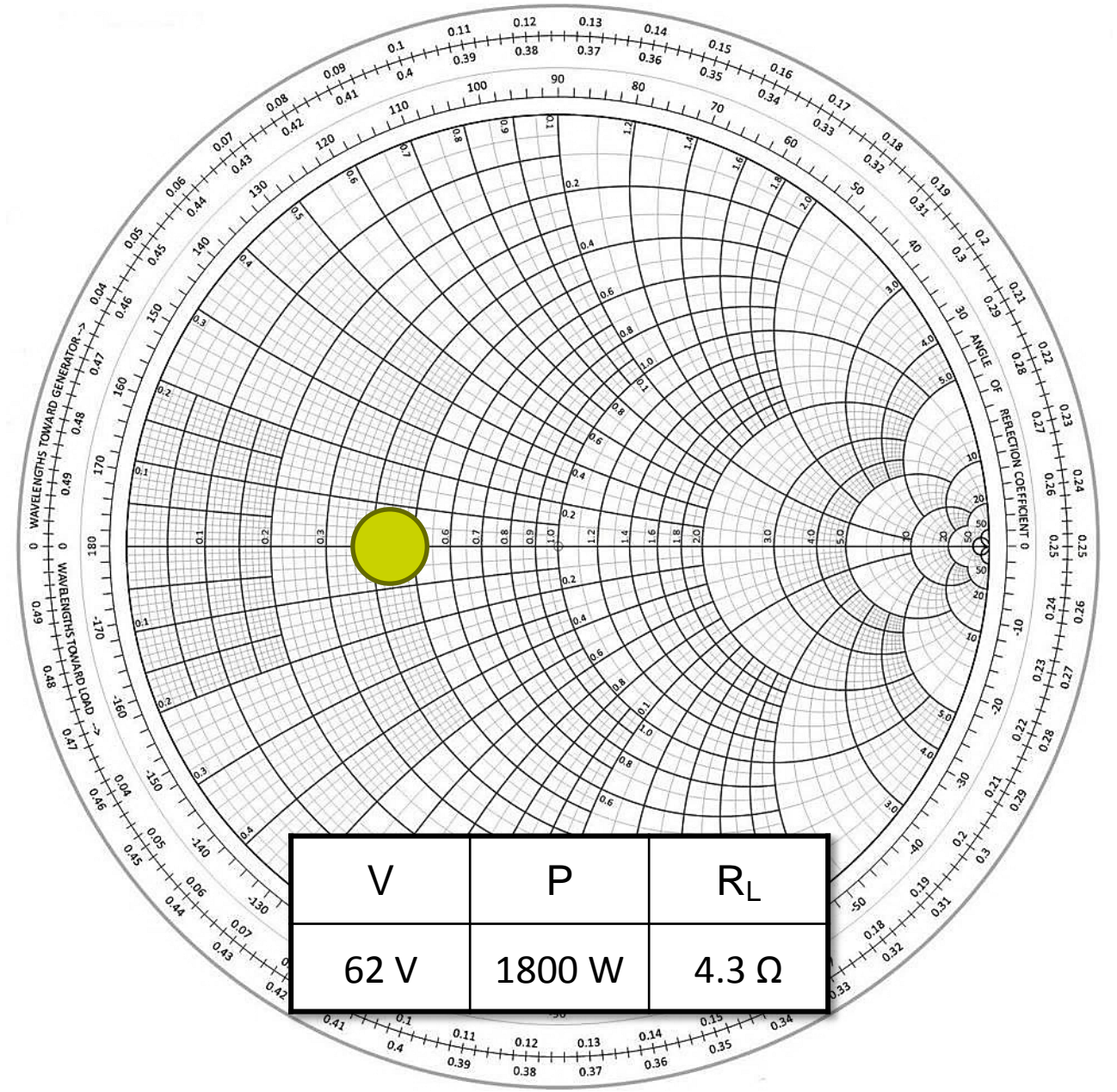
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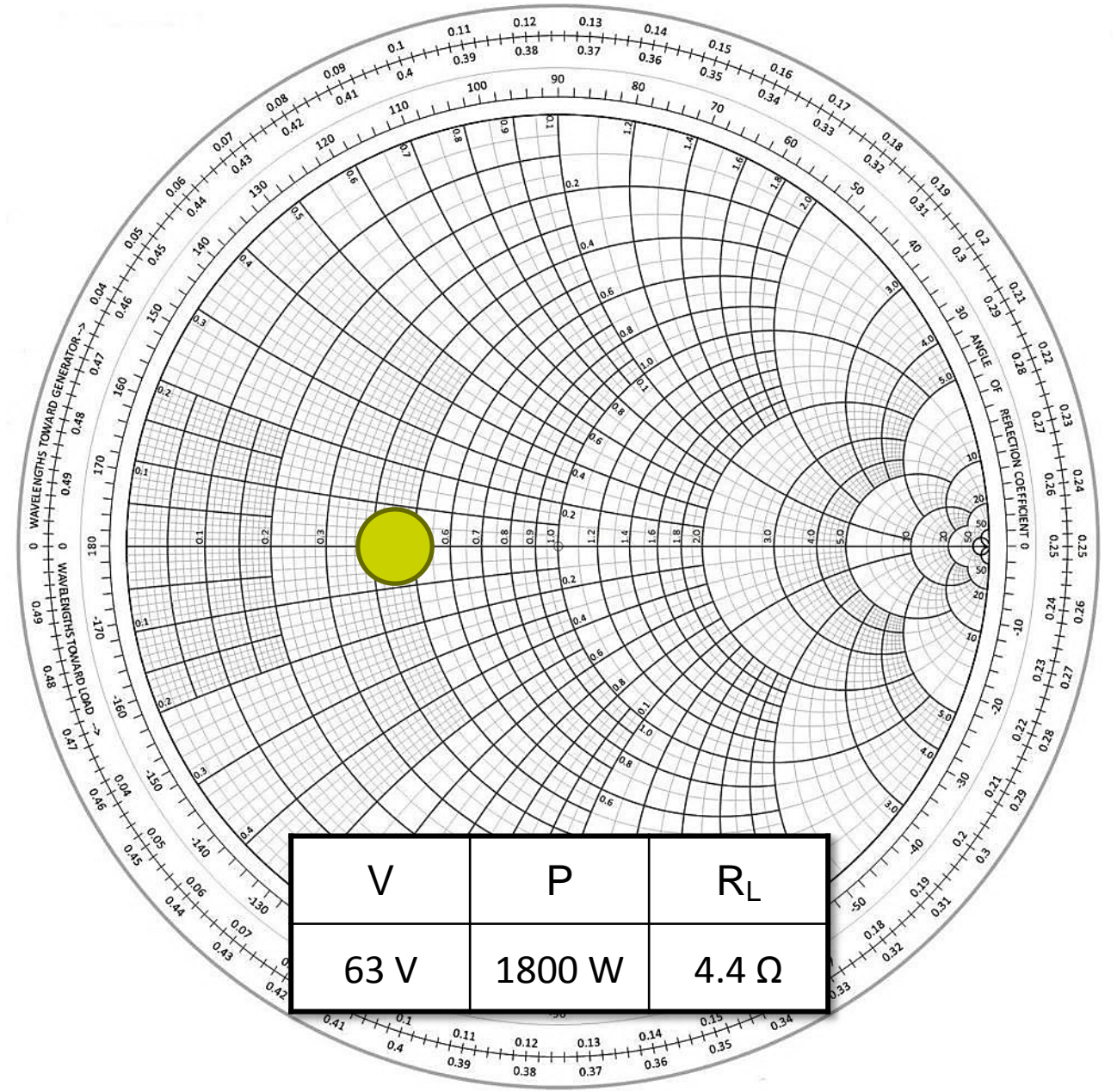
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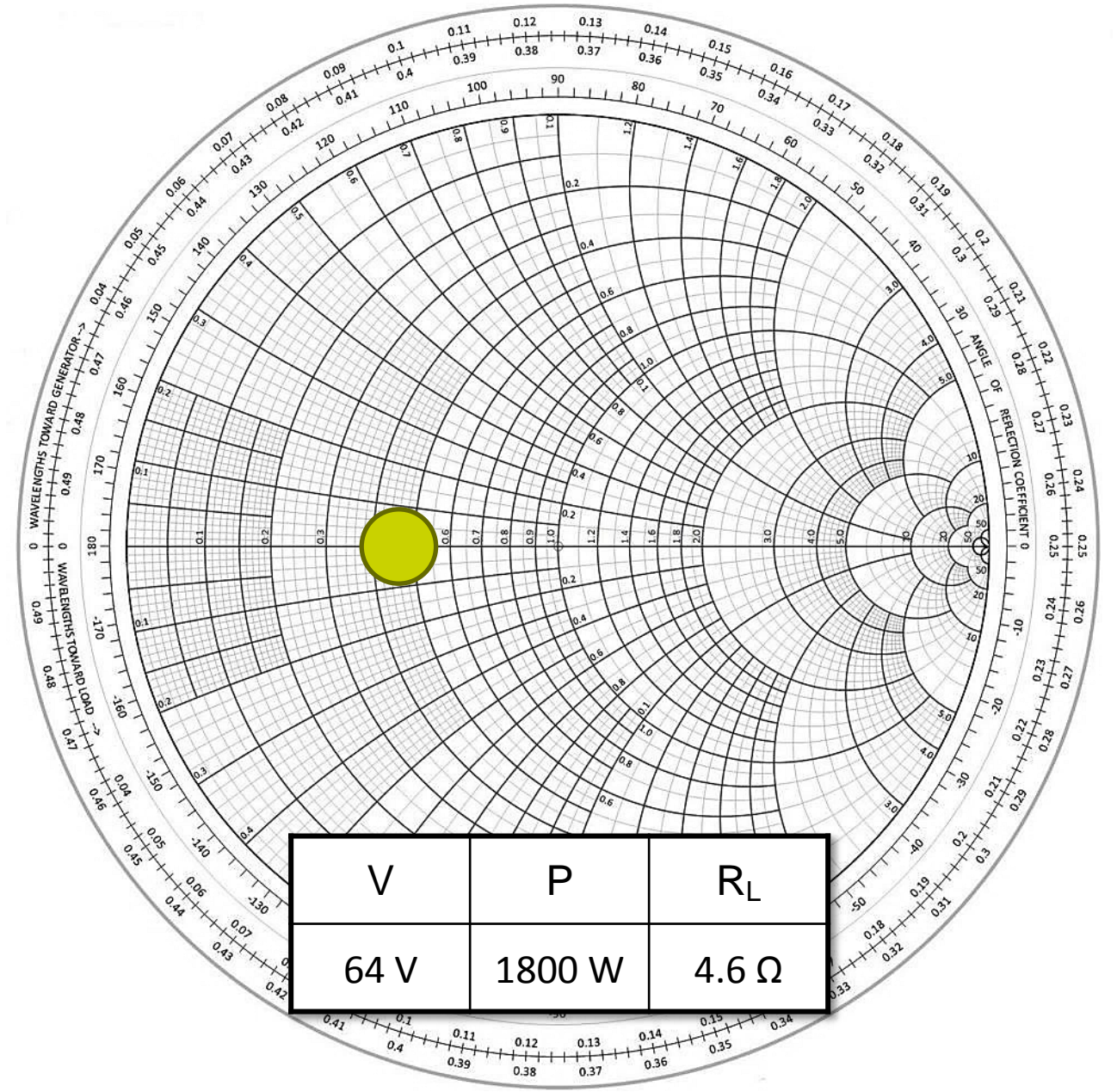
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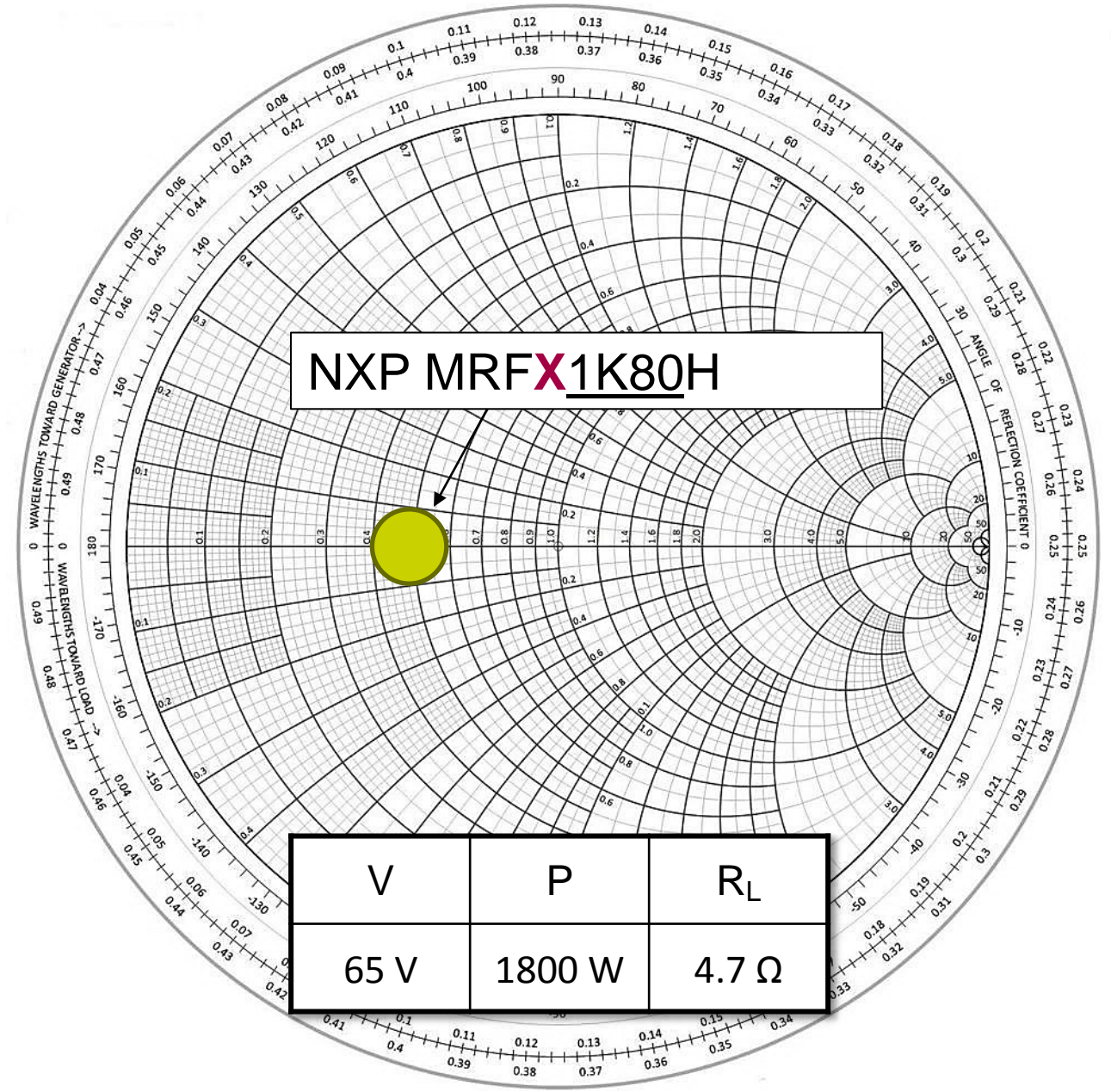
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Summary: 65 V enables **matching ease of use**

	MRFE6VP 61K25H	MRF1K50H	MRFX1K80H
Output impedance in HF in push-pull configuration R_L (transformation ratio to 50 ohm)	4.0 ohm (x12.5)	3.3 ohm (x15)	4.7 ohm (x10)
Output capacitance Coss	185pF	205pF	203pF

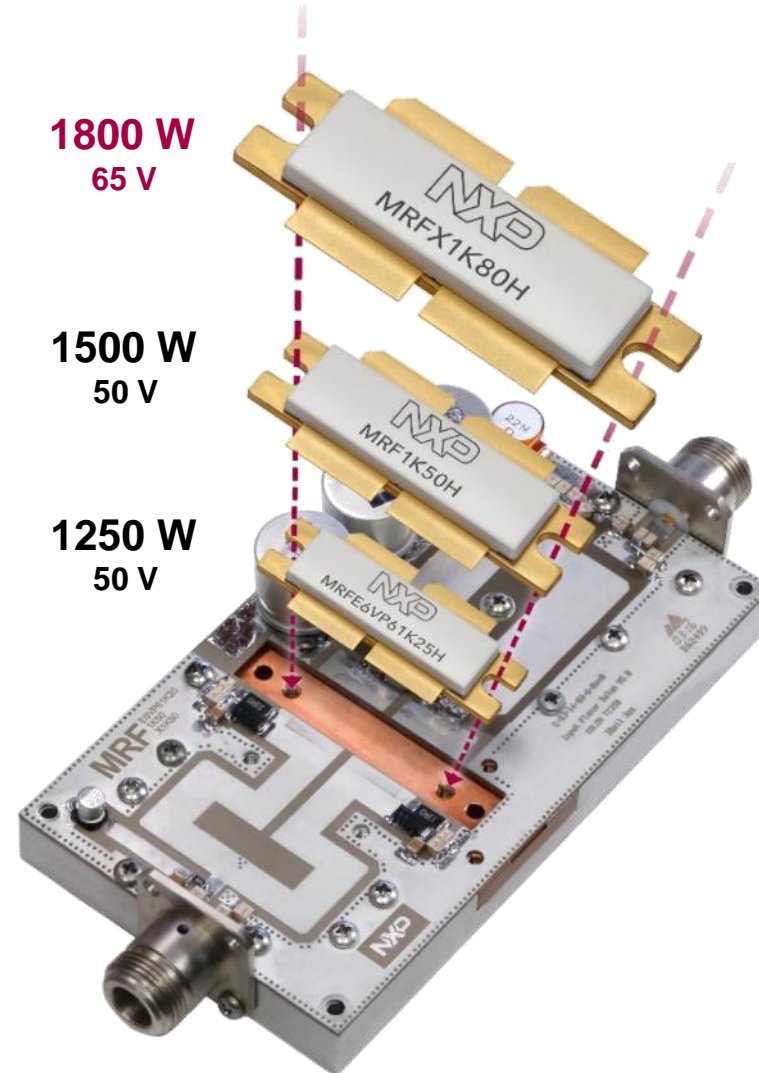
For a given technology, adding more LDMOS periphery adds more Coss. A higher Coss lowers the output impedance in high frequency.

Close output impedances help **reuse** the same matching circuit.

NXP RF Transistor Design Strategy: Focus on **Scalability**

Transistors from the MRFX series fit into existing PCBs designed for previous NXP transistors

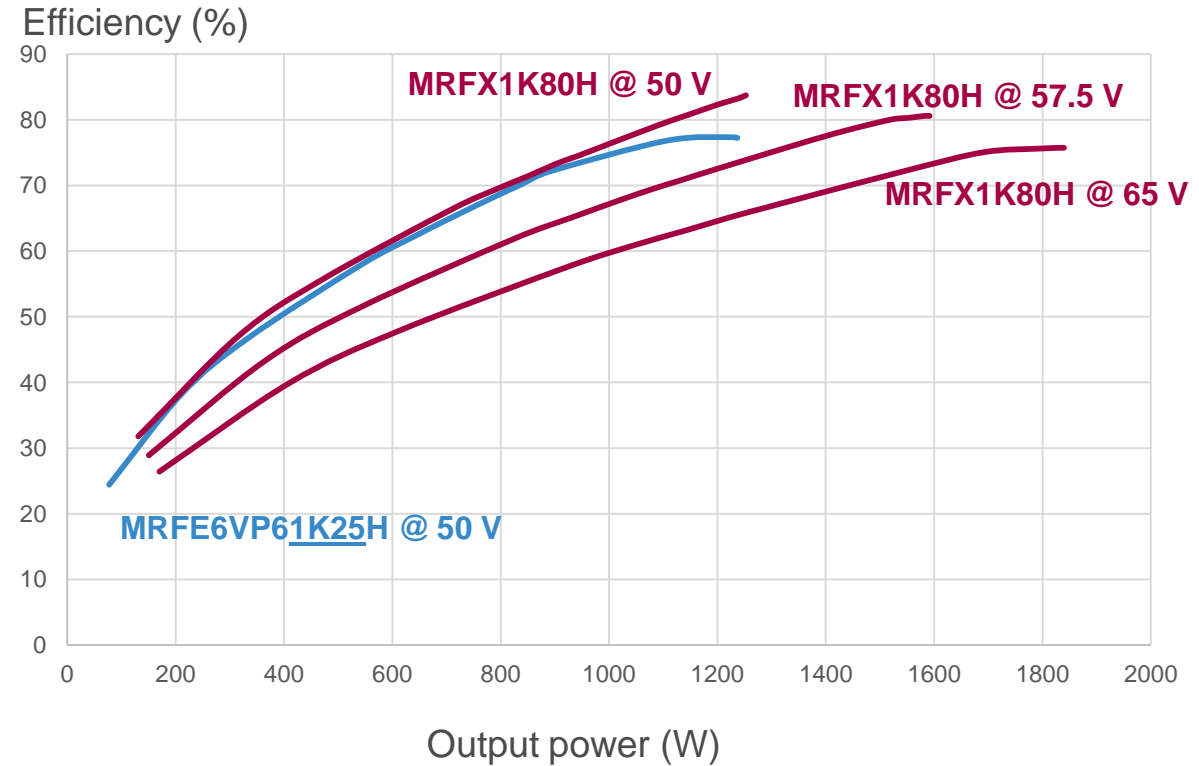
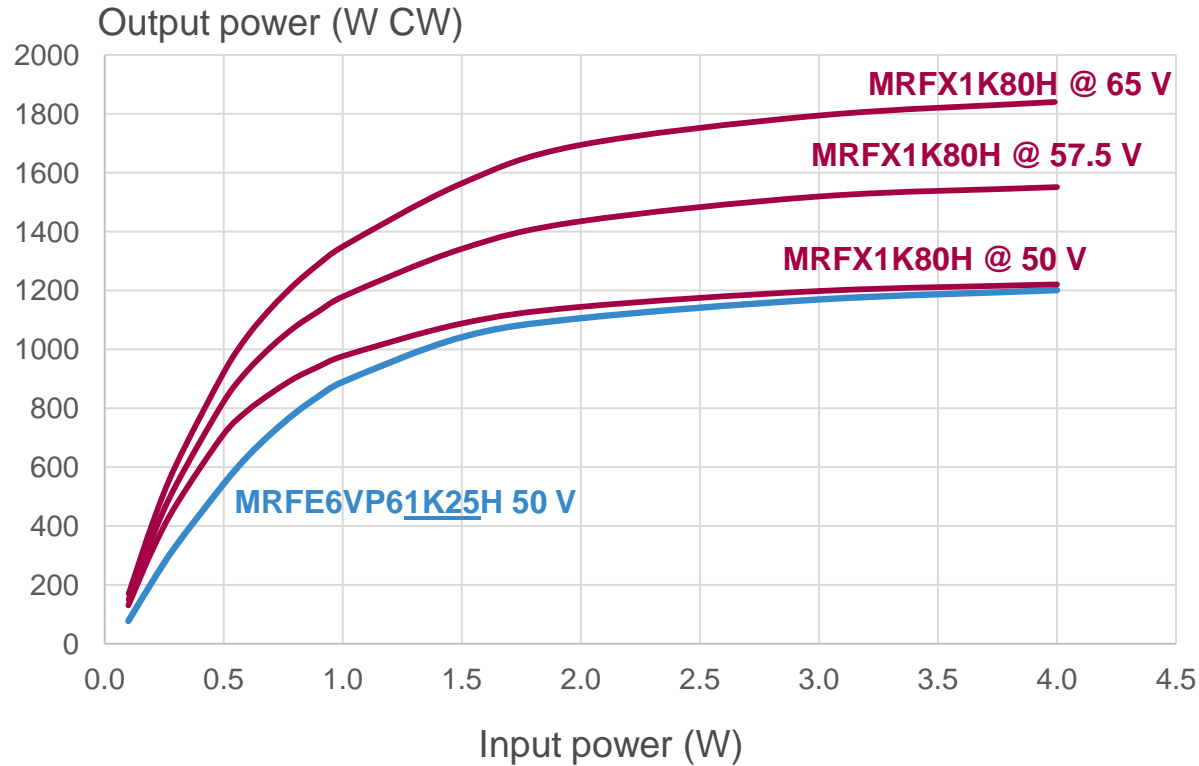
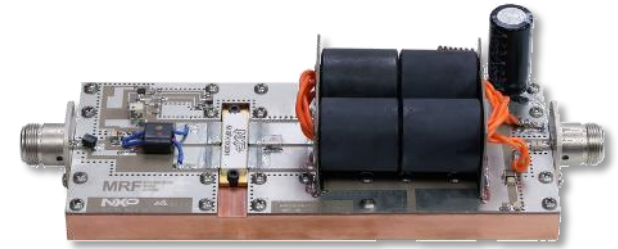
- Same PCB for
MRFE6VP61K25H,
MRE6VP61K25N,
MRF1K50H,
MRF1K50N,
MRFX1K80H,
MRFX1K80N
- Little to no retuning needed



- Faster Time-To-Market
- One platform, multiple products

Easy Upgrade from Existing 50 V Solutions

Data taken on the same 27 MHz reference circuit: no retuning



Pin = 3W, CW	Vdd	Pout	Gain	Efficiency
MRFE6VP61K25H	50 V	1170 W	25.8 dB	77.1%
MRFX1K80H	50 V	1200 W	26.0 dB	82.3%
	57.5 V	1520 W	27.0 dB	80.1%
	65 V	1800 W	27.8 dB	75.6%

Why 65V? Ease of use.



More power – Higher voltage enables higher power density, which helps reduce the number of transistors to combine.



Fewer combining losses, smaller PAs, simpler power supply management.



Faster development time – With higher voltage, the output power can be increased while retaining a reasonable output impedance.



Easier matching to 50 ohms; transistors can be used wideband.



Design reuse – This impedance benefit also ensures pin-compatibility with current 50 V LDMOS transistors for better scalability.



Little to no retuning from existing 50 V power amplifiers.



Manageable current level – Higher voltage reduces the current losses in the system.



Fewer stresses on DC supplies, better system efficiency, less magnetic radiation.



Wide safety margin – The higher breakdown voltage of 182 V improves ruggedness and allows for higher efficiency classes of operation.



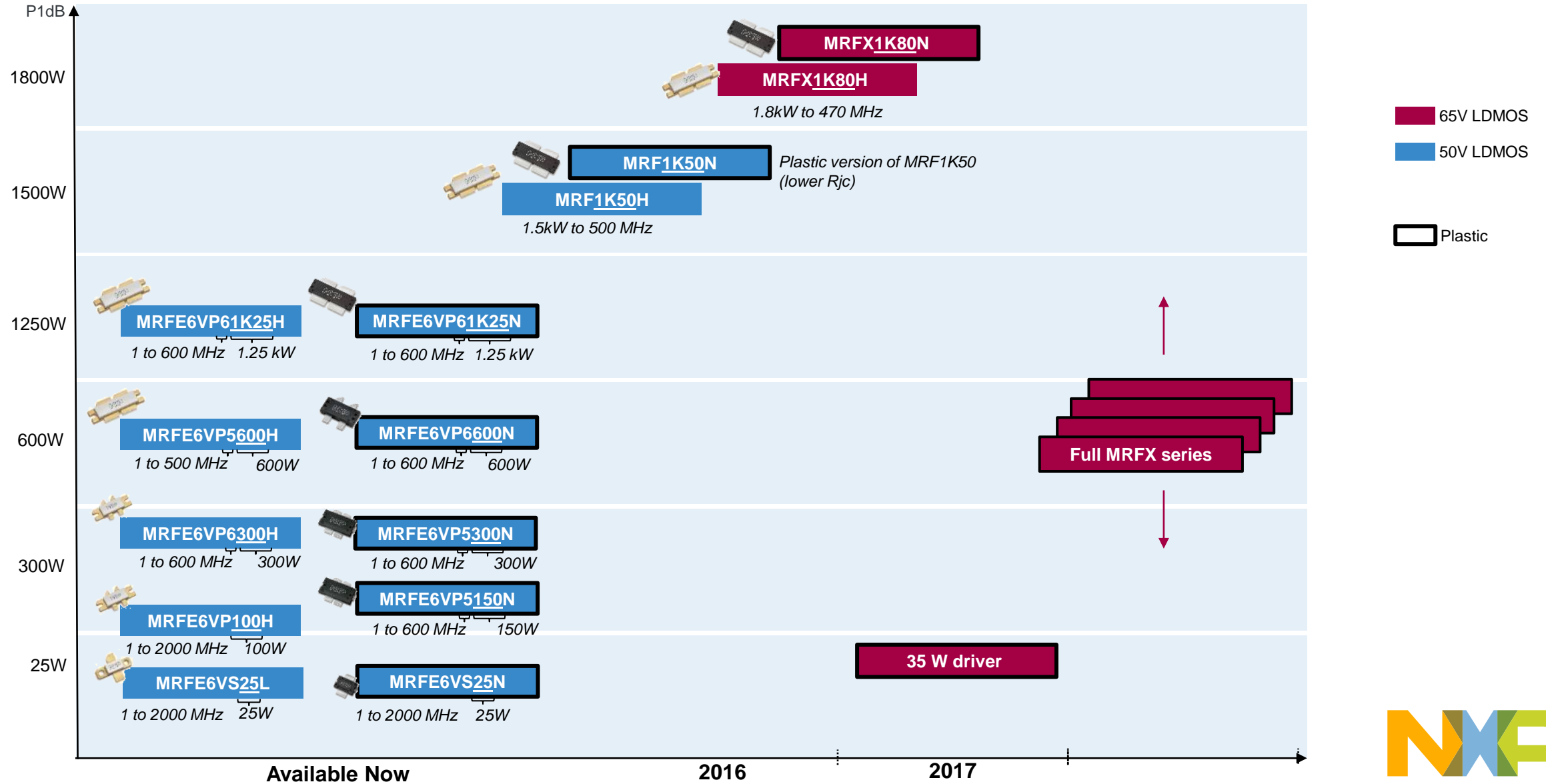
Better reliability, higher efficiency.

MRFX SERIES OVERVIEW



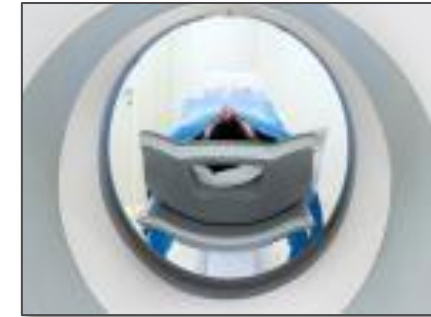
NXP RF Power 1-500 MHz Roadmap

All watts are CW.



MRFX1K80 Target Markets

- **Industrial, Scientific, Medical (ISM)**
 - Laser generation
 - Plasma etching
 - Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
 - Diathermy, skin laser, RF ablation
 - Industrial heating, welding and drying systems
 - Particle accelerators
- **Broadcast**
 - Radio broadcast (FM/DAB)
 - VHF TV broadcast
- **Aerospace**
 - VHF omnidirectional range (VOR)
 - HF and VHF communications
 - Weather radar
- **Mobile Radio**
 - VHF base stations

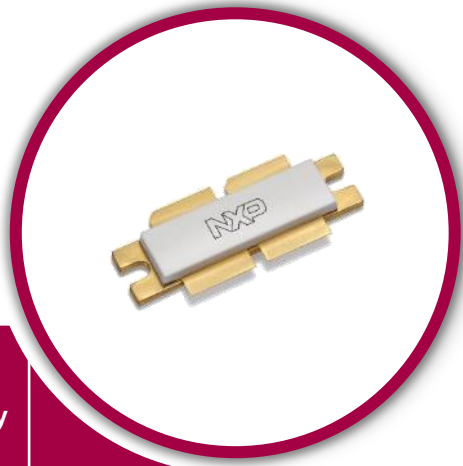
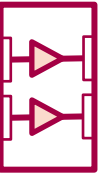


MRFX1K80H

- **1800 W CW**
- **1.8-470 MHz**
- **65 V LDMOS**
- Unmatched input and output
- Push-pull
- NI-1230 air cavity ceramic package
- 0.09°C/W thermal resistance
- 182 V min breakdown voltage $V_{(BR)DSS}$
- Extreme ruggedness: handles 65:1 VSWR
- Warranted availability until 2032 minimum

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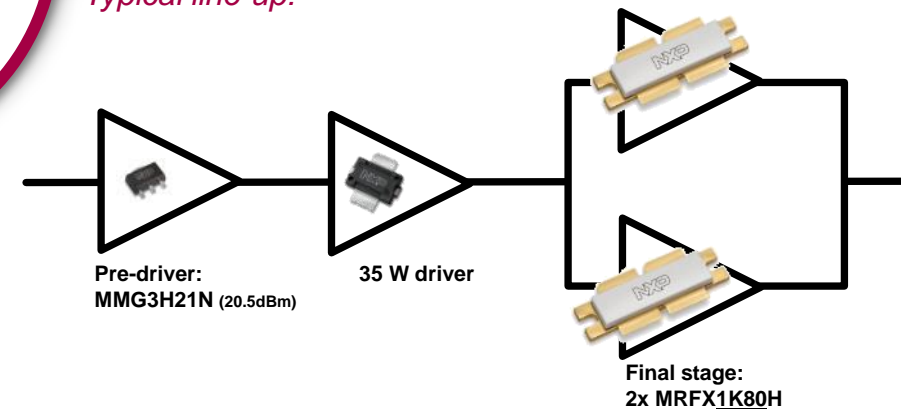
- Sampling now
(PRFX1K80H preliminary transistors available at Richardson RFPD)
- Production August 2017



Typical performance:

Frequency	Signal type	Voltage	Pout	Gain	Drain efficiency	
27	CW	50	1200	26.0	82.3	April
		57.5	1520	27.0	80.1	
		65	1800	27.8	75.6	
87.5-108	CW	50	1140	19.8	83.4	April
		60	1615	21.3	82.6	
144	CW	65	1800	23.5	77.5	July
230	Pulse	65	1800	24.0	74.0	July

Typical line-up:

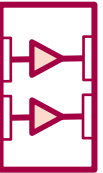


MRFX1K80N

- **1800 W CW**
- **1.8-470 MHz**
- **65 V LDMOS**
- Unmatched input and output
- Push-pull
- OM-1230 over-molded low-Rjc plastic package (30% lower thermal resistance)
- 182 V min breakdown voltage $V_{(BR)DSS}$
- Extreme ruggedness: handles 65:1 VSWR
- Warranted availability until 2032 minimum

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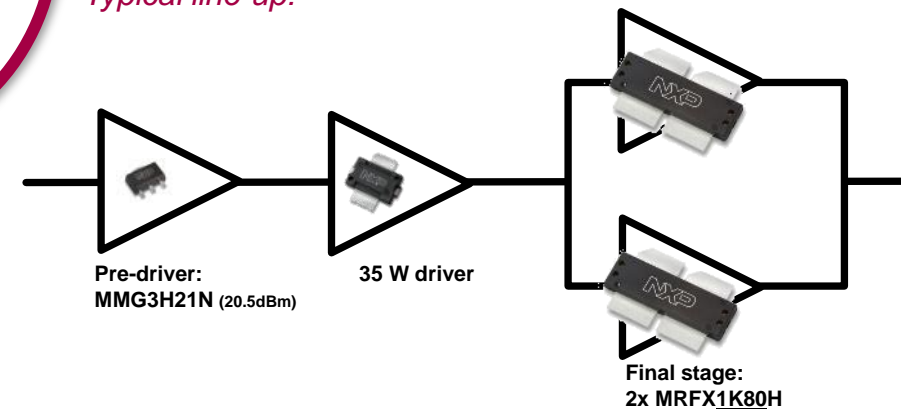
- Sampling Q3 2017
- Production Q4 2017



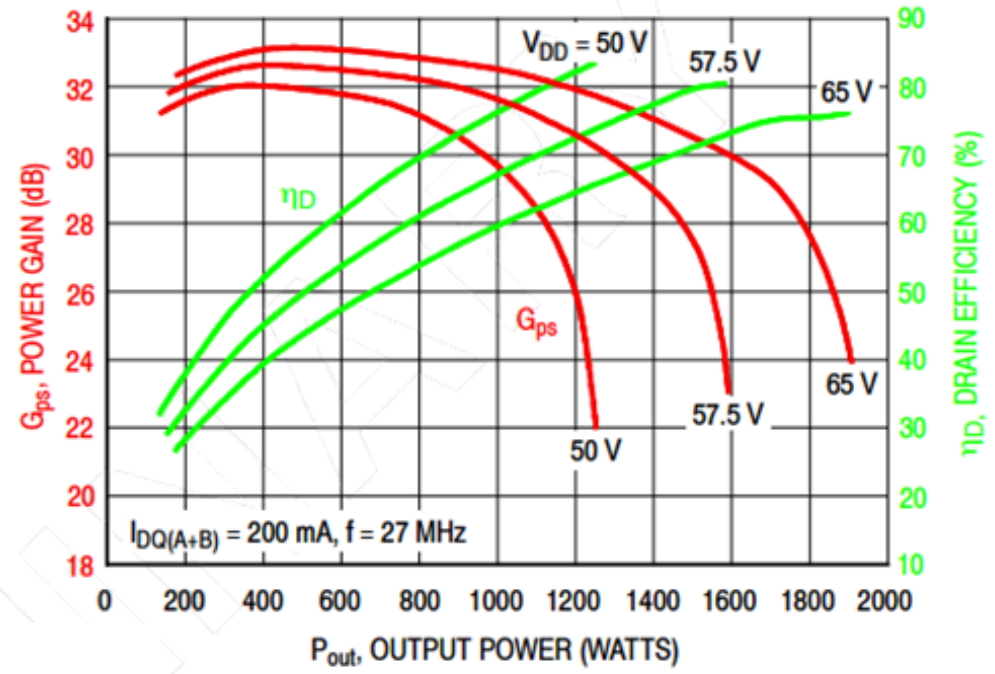
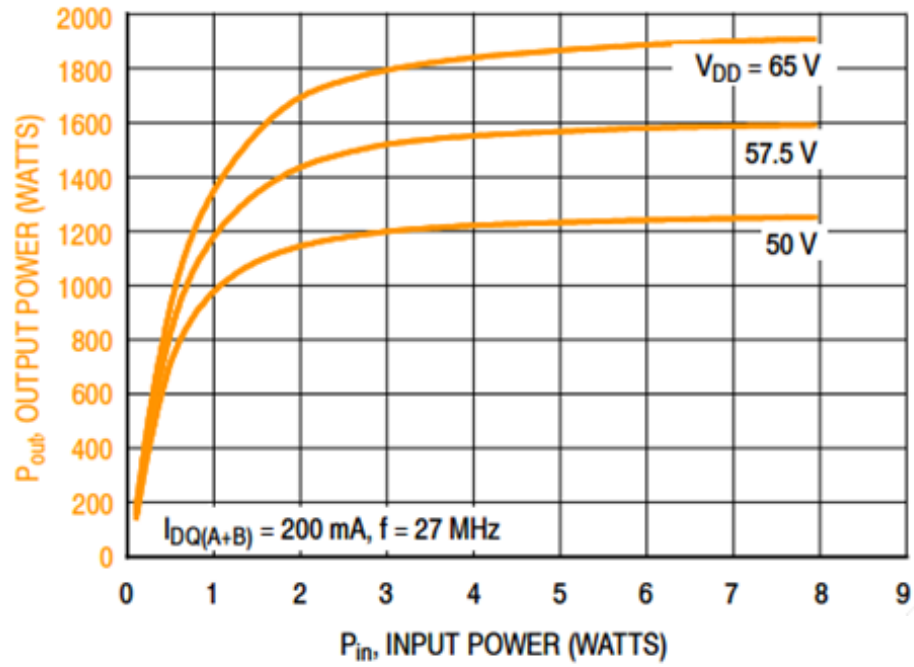
Target performance:

Board Frequency (MHz)	Signal type	Vdd (V)	Power (W)	Gain (dB)	Drain Eff. (%)
230	Pulse	65	1800 peak	24	74%

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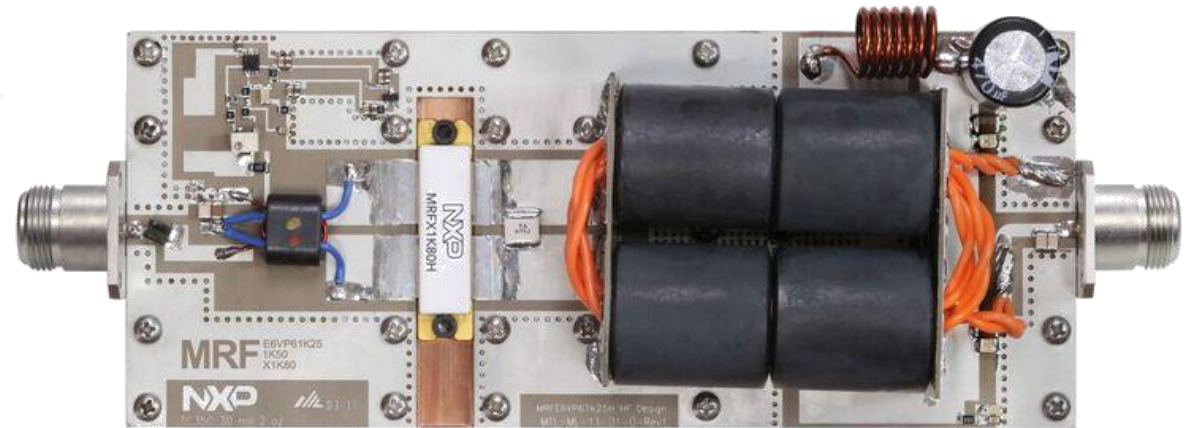


MRFX1K80H Typical performance at 27 MHz



At $P_{in} = 3\text{ W}$:

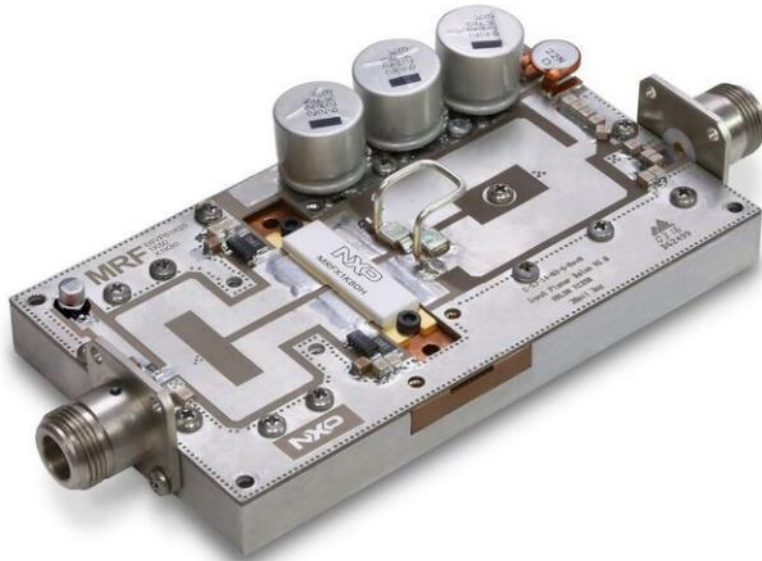
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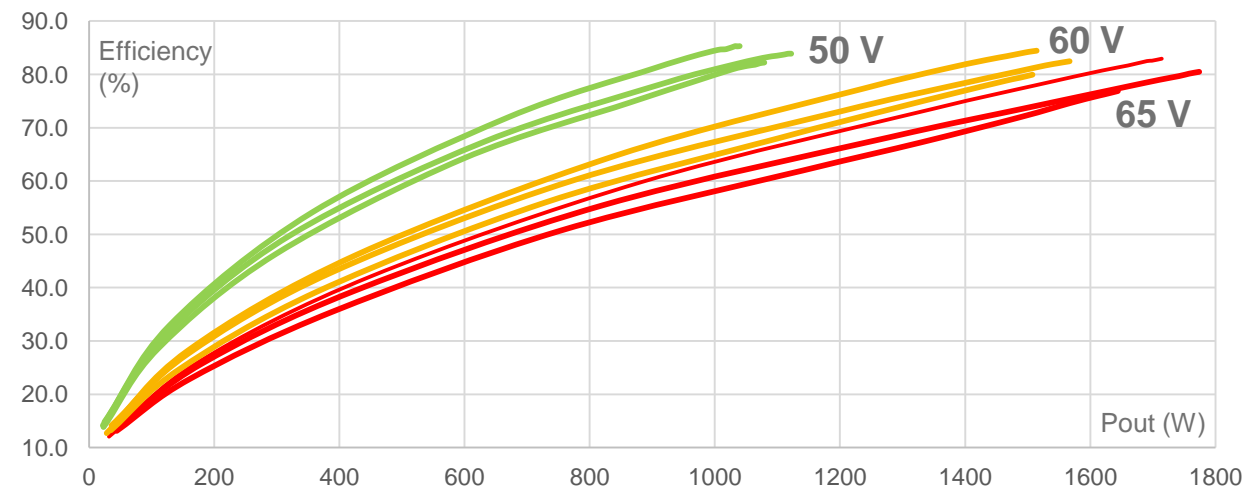
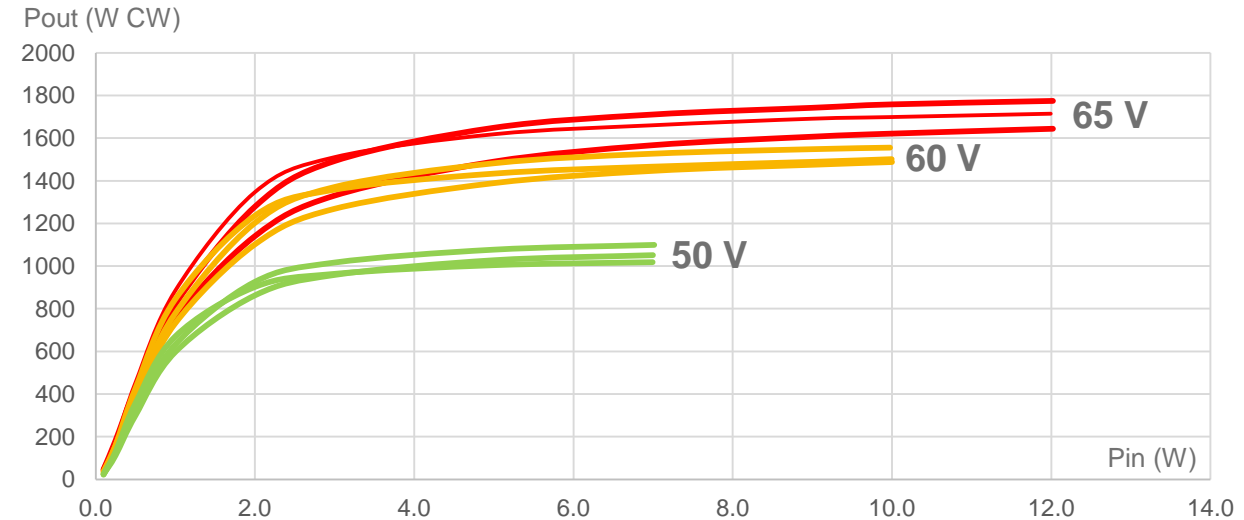
2.88 × 6.91" (73 × 176 mm)

87.5-108 MHz performance details

- These graphics show the FM performance of MRFX1K80H at various drain voltages.
- 60 V is a good trade-off for 87.5-108 MHz wideband performance between thermal management, efficiency and external components reliability, enabling 1500 W minimum over the full band.

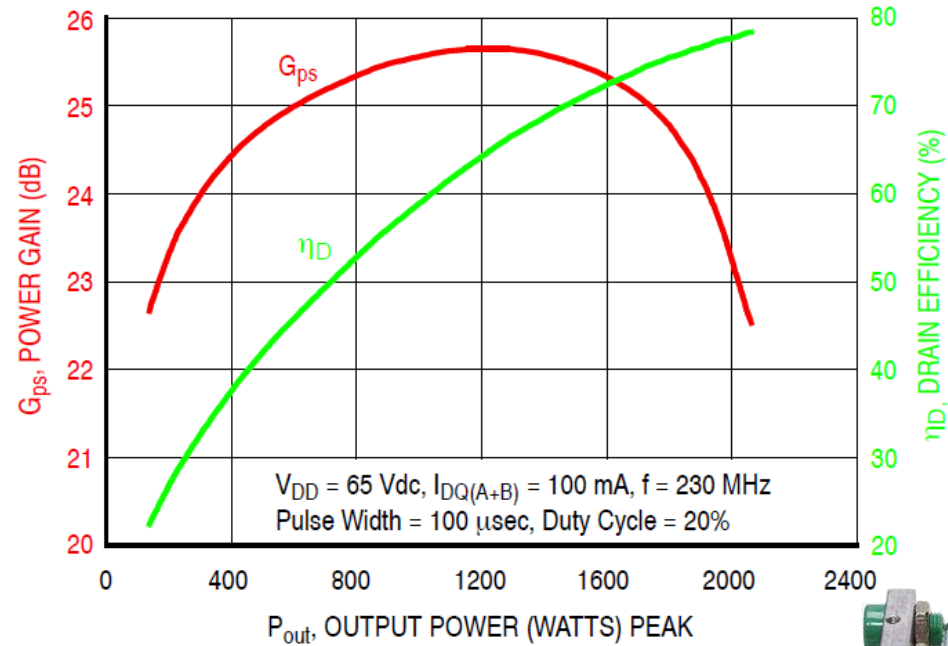


MRFX1K80H performance at 87.5, 98 and 108 MHz

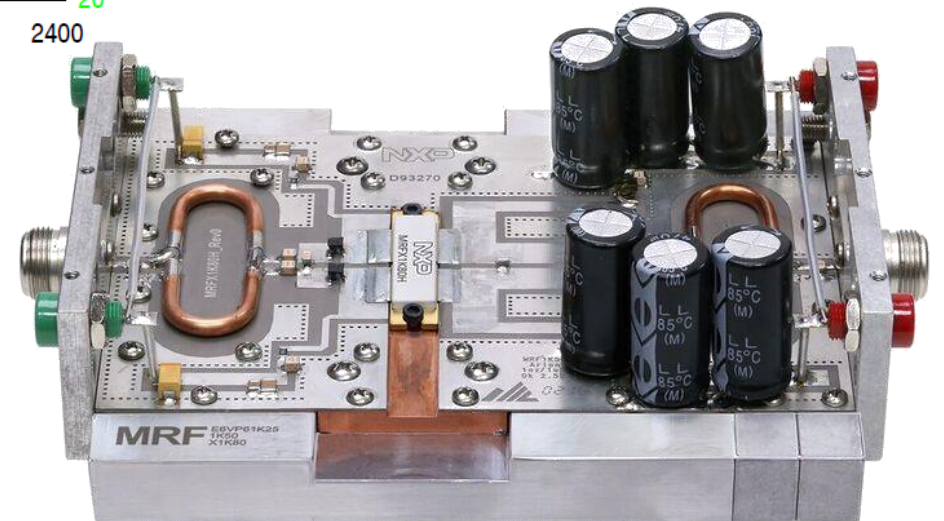


MRFX1K80H Typical performance at 230 MHz

NXP's production test fixture



f (MHz)	P1dB (W)	P3dB (W)
230	1800	2030



6x4" (152 mm x 102 mm)

MRFX1K80H Typical performance at 230 MHz 2/2

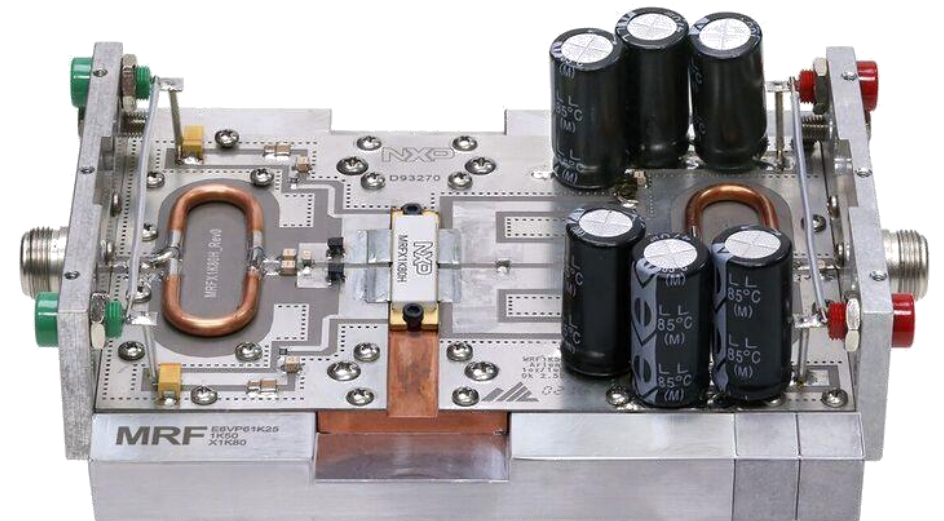
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Functional Tests (In NXP Production Test Fixture, 50 ohm system) $V_{DD} = 65$ Vdc, $I_{DQ(A+B)} = 100$ mA, $P_{out} = 1800$ W Peak (360 W Avg.), $f = 230$ MHz, 100 μ sec Pulse Width, 20% Duty Cycle

Power Gain	G_{ps}	23.0	24.0	—	dB
Drain Efficiency	η_D	69.0	74.0	—	%
Input Return Loss	IRL	—	-15	-9	dB

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Each transistor is tested in production at 1800 W, at 230 MHz with 100us and 20% duty cycle signal



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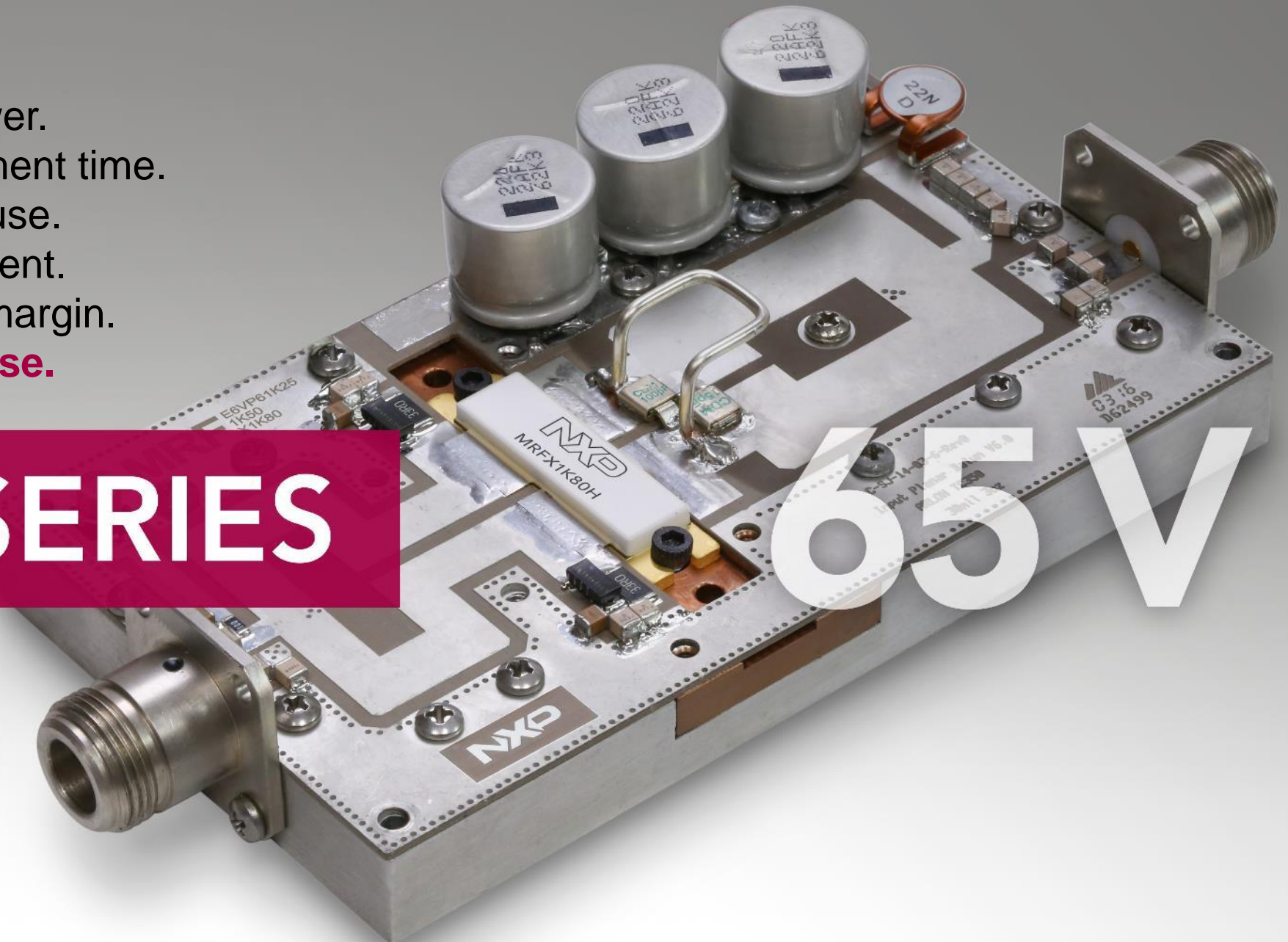
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