

CMOS 5GHz WLAN 802.11ac RFeIC with PA, LNA and SPDT



Description

RFX8053 is a highly integrated, single-chip, single-die RFeIC (RF Front-end Integrated Circuit) which incorporates key RF functionality needed for IEEE 802.11a/n/ac WLAN system operating in the 5.15-5.825GHz range. The RFX8053 architecture integrates a high-efficiency high-linearity power amplifier (PA), a low noise amplifier (LNA) with bypass, the associated matching network, LO rejection, and harmonic filters all in a CMOS single-chip device.

RFX8053 has simple and low-voltage CMOS control logic, and requires minimal external components. A directional coupler based power detect circuit is also integrated for accurate monitoring of output power from the PA.

RFX8053 is assembled in an ultra-compact low-profile 2.5x2.5x0.45 mm(Max) 16-lead QFN package. With support to direct battery operation, the RFX8053 is ideal RF front-end solution for implementing 5GHz WLAN in smartphones and other mobile platforms.

Applications

- 802.11a/n/ac
- Smartphones
- ► Tablets/MIDs
- Gaming
- Notebook/Netbook/Ultrabooks
- Mobile/Portable Devices
- Consumer Electronics
- Other 5GHz ISM Platforms

FEATURES

- 5GHz WLAN Single Chip, Single-Die RF Front-End IC
- High Transmit Signal Linearity Meeting Standards for 802.11ac OFDM /MCS9 Modulation
- Separate TX and RX Transceiver Port and Single Antenna Port
- 5GHz Power Amplifier with Low-Pass Harmonic Filter
- Low Noise Amplifier with Bypass Mode
- Transmit/Receive Switch Circuitry
- Integrated Power Detector for Transmit Power Monitor and Control
- Low Voltage (1.2V) CMOS Control Logic

- ESD Protection Circuitry on All Pins
- DC Decoupled RF Ports
- Internal RF Decoupling on All VDD Bias Pins
- Low Noise Figure for the Receive Chain
- High Power Capability for Received Signals in Bypass Mode
- Very Low DC Power Consumption
- Full On-chip Matching Circuitry
- Minimal External Components Required
- 50-Ohm Input / Output Matching
- Market Proven CMOS Technology
- 2.5mm x 2.5mm x 0.45mm(Max) Small Outline 16L QFN Package with Exposed Ground Pad

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| Pin Number | Pin Name | Description | | |
|--------------|----------|---|--|--|
| 1 | PDET | Analog Voltage Proportional to the PA Power Output | | |
| 4, 10, 14 | NC | Not Connected Internally | | |
| 5 | TX | RF Input Port from the Transceiver – DC Shorted to GND | | |
| 6, 8, 16, 17 | GND | Ground – Must Be Connected to GND in the Application Circuit | | |
| 7 | TXEN | CMOS Input to Control TX Enable | | |
| 2, 3, 9 | VDD | DC Supply Voltage | | |
| 11 | RX | RF Output Port from LNA or Bypass – DC Shorted to GND | | |
| 12 | RXEN | CMOS Input to Control RX Enable | | |
| 13 | CTL | CMOS Input for Additional TX Control | | |
| 15 | ANT | Antenna Port RF Signal from the PA or RF Signal Applied to the LNA or Bypass – DC Shorted to GND | | |

PIN-OUT DIAGRAM:



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ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS:

| Parameters | Units | Min | Max | Conditions |
|--------------------------------|-------|------|------|---|
| DC VDD Voltage Supply | V | 0 | 5.5 | All VDD Pins |
| DC Control Pin Voltage | V | 0 | 3.6 | All Control Pins |
| DC VDD Current Consumption | mA | | 400 | Through VDD Pins when TX is "ON" |
| TX RF Input Power | dBm | | +7 | |
| ANT RF Input Power | dBm | | +10 | Bypass Mode |
| Junction Temperature | °C | | 150 | |
| Storage Ambient Temperature | °C | -40 | +150 | Appropriate care required according to JEDEC Standards |
| Operating Temperature | °C | -40 | +85 | Case Temperature |
| ESD (HBM) | V | 1000 | | |

Note: Sustained operation at or above the Absolute Maximum Ratings for any one or combinations of the above parameters may result in permanent damage to the device and is not recommended.

All Maximum RF Input Power Ratings assume 50-Ohm terminal impedance.

NOMINAL OPERATING CONDITIONS:

| Parameters | Units | Min | Тур | Max | Conditions |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|----------------------------------|
| DC VDD Voltage Supply (Note 1) | V | 3.0 | 3.6 | 4.8 | All VDD Pins |
| Control Voltage "High" (Note 2) | V | 1.2 | | * | * 3.6V or VDD Whichever is Lower |
| Control Voltage "Low" | V | 0 | | 0.3 | |
| DC Control Pin Current Consumption | μA | | 1 | | |
| DC Shutdown Current | μA | | 3 | 10 | |
| PA Turn On/Off Time | µsec | | | 0.4 | |
| θjc (Note 3) | °C/W | | 28 | | |
| θја | °C/W | | 44 | | |
| Antenna Switch Speed | µsec | | | 0.4 | |

Note 1: For normal operation of the RFX8053, VDD must be continuously applied to all VDD supply pins.

Note 2: If control voltage can exceed 1.8V, a $1K\Omega - 10K\Omega$ series resistor is recommended for the application circuit on each control line.

Note 3: Thermal measurements were performed on an RFaxis test EVB under typical use conditions. Please contact RFaxis for details regarding the test conditions and the configuration of the thermal vias on the EVB. Refer to "PCB Land Pattern" for recommended thermal vias.

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TRANSMIT PATH CHARACTERISTICS (VDD=3.6V; T=+25 °C)

| Parameters | Units | Min | Тур | Max | Conditions |
|---|-------|-------|------|-------|---|
| Operating Frequency Band | GHz | 5.15 | | 5.825 | |
| Linear Output Power for 802.11ac | dBm | +16.5 | +17 | | EVM -35dB, 802.11ac, MCS9, VHT80 |
| Linear Output Power for 802.11n | dBm | | +18 | | EVM -32dB, 802.11n, MCS7, HT40 |
| Linear Output Power for 802.11a | dBm | | +19 | | EVM 3.5%, 802.11a, QAM64, 54 Mbps |
| Linear Output Power for 802.11a 6Mbps | dBm | | +21 | | For 802.11a 6Mbps Mask Compliance |
| Small-Signal Power Gain | dB | | 28 | | Between TX and ANT pins |
| Gain Flatness | dB | | +/-1 | | Between 5.15 – 5.85 GHz |
| TX Quiescent Current | mA | | 210 | | |
| TX Linear Current | mA | | 270 | | $P_{OUT} = +18 dBm$ |
| Out-of-Band Rejection | dBc | -10 | -15 | | At 3.9 – 7.2 GHz, relative to in-band gain |
| Power Detector Voltage Output | mV | 300 | | 1600 | $P_{OUT} = +5$ to $+20$ dBm, $10k\Omega$ Load |
| Second Harmonic | dBc | | -35 | | P _{OUT} =+19dBm, CW |
| Third Harmonic | dBc | | -50 | | P _{OUT} =+19dBm, CW |
| Input Return Loss | dB | | -10 | | At TX Port |
| Output Return Loss | dB | | -10 | | At ANT Port |
| Load VSWR for Stability (CW, Fix Pin for Pout=+21dBm with 50Ω load) | N/A | 4:1 | 6:1 | | All non-harmonically related spurs less than -43dBm/MHz |
| Load VSWR for Ruggedness (CW, Fix Pin for Pout=+21dBm with 50 Ohm Load) | N/A | 8:1 | 10:1 | | No Damage |

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RECEIVE PATH CHARACTERISTICS (VDD=3.6V; T=+25 °C)

| Parameters | Units | Min | Тур | Max | Conditions |
|---------------------------------------|-------|------|-------|------|--|
| Operating Frequency Band | GHz | 5.15 | | 5.85 | All RF Pins are Loaded by 50- Ohm |
| Gain | dB | 10 | 12 | | High Gain Mode, Between ANT and RX pins; RXEN= High, CTL=Low |
| Noise Figure | dB | | 3.1 | | High Gain Mode, At ANT Pin |
| Insertion Loss for LNA Bypass Mode | dB | | 5 | | Between ANT and RX Pins; RXEN=Low, CTL=Low |
| | dB | | -6 | | At ANT Port, High Gain Mode |
| Input Return Loss | | | -10 | | Bypass Mode |
| Output Datura Laga | dB | | -6 | | At RX Port, High Gain Mode |
| Output Return Loss | | | -8 | | Bypass Mode |
| RF Port Impedance | Ohm | | 50 | | |
| | mA | | 16 | | No RF Applied, Through VDD, High Gain Mode |
| DC Quiescent Current | | | 0.003 | | No RF Applied, Through VDD, Bypass Mode |
| | dBm | | +6 | | At ANT Pin, High Gain Mode |
| IIP3 | | | +20 | | At ANT Pin, Bypass Mode |

CONTROL LOGIC TRUTH TABLE

| TXEN | CTL | RXEN | Mode Of Operation |
|------------|-----|------|-------------------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | Receive Bypass Mode |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | Receive Mode, High-Gain |
| 1 | Х | 0 | Transmit Mode |
| All Others | | | Not Specified |

Note: "1" denotes high voltage state (> 1.2V)

- "0" denotes low voltage state (<0.3V) at Control Pins
- "X" denotes don't care, high or low state
- $1K\Omega-10K\Omega$ series resistor may be required for each control line

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Nom

0.127 BSC

2.500 BSC

2.500 BS

0.050

0.100

0.050

0.050

0.080

0.050

0.500

Ma.x.

0.450

0.050

1.600

0.200 0.250

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PACKAGE DIMENSIONS (All Dimensions in mm):



PCB LAND PATTERN (With Recommended Thermal Vias)

PACKAGE MARKING



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