

3V LOW NOISE AMPLIFIER

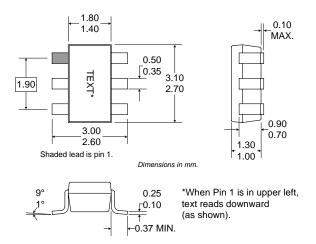
RoHS Compliant & Pb-Free Product

Typical Applications

- WLAN LNA with Bypass Feature
- CDMA PCS LNA with Bypass Feature
- MMDS LNA with Bypass Feature

Product Description

The RF2370 is a switchable low noise amplifier with a very high dynamic range designed for digital cellular and WLAN applications. The device functions as an outstanding front end low noise amplifier. The bias current may be set externally. The IC is featured in a standard SOT 6-lead plastic package.

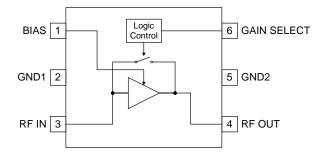


General Purpose Amplification

Commercial and Consumer Systems

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| 🗌 Si BJT | 🗹 GaAs HBT | GaAs MESFET |
| Si Bi-CMOS | SiGe HBT | Si CMOS |
| InGaP/HBT | 🔲 GaN HEMT | SiGe Bi-CMOS |



Functional Block Diagram

Package Style: SOT 6-Lead

Features

- Low Noise and High Intercept Point
- Adjustable Bias Current
- Power Down Control
- Low Insertion Loss Bypass Feature
- 1.8V to 5V Operation (See Note: Page 2)
- 1.5GHz to 3.8GHz Operation

Ordering Information RF2370 3V Low Noise Amplifier

RF2370PCBA-410 Fully Assembled Evaluation Board (WLAN) usable from 1.9GHz to 4GHz with standard tune

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Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter | Rating | Unit |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Supply Voltage | -0.5 to +6.0 | V _{DC} |
| Input RF Level | +5 (see note) | dBm |
| Current Drain, I _{CC} | 32 | mA |
| Operating Ambient Temperature | -40 to +85 | °C |
| Storage Temperature | -40 to +150 | °C |

NOTE: Exceeding any one or a combination of the above maximum rating limits may cause permanent damage. Input RF transients to +15dBm will not harm the device. For sustained operation at inputs \geq +5dBm, a small dropping resistor is recommended in series with the V_{CC} in order to limit the current due to self-biasing to <32mA.



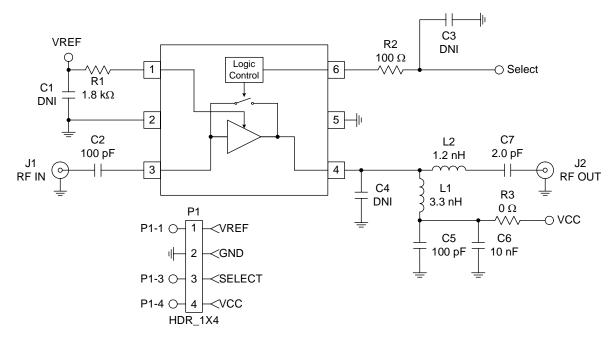
Caution! ESD sensitive device.

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| Deremeter | | Specification | | 11 | Condition | |
|----------------------------|-------|---------------|------|------|---|--|
| Parameter | Min. | Min. Typ. Ma | | Unit | | |
| Operating Range | | | | | T _{AMB} =+25°C, V _{CC} =3.0V | |
| Frequency Range | 900 | | 4000 | MHz | | |
| WLAN Low Noise | | | | | | |
| Amplifier | | | | | | |
| Frequency | | 2450 | | MHz | | |
| HIGH GAIN MODE | | | | | Gain Select<0.8V, V _{BIAS} =3V, T=+25°C | |
| Gain | 12.0 | 14.0 | | dB | | |
| Noise Figure | | 1.3 | 1.5 | dB | | |
| Input IP3 | | +7.0 | | dBm | IIP3 will improve if ICC is raised above 7mA. | |
| Output VSWR | | 1.7:1 | 2:1 | | | |
| Current Drain | | 7 | | mA | | |
| BYPASS MODE | | | | | Gain Select>1.8V, V _{BIAS} =0V | |
| Gain | -4.0 | -3.0 | -2.0 | dB | Note: Bypass mode insertion loss will degrade gradually as V _{CC} goes below 2.7V. | |
| Input IP3 | +16.0 | +20.0 | | dBm | | |
| Output VSWR | | 1.6:1 | | | | |
| Current Drain | | 2.0 | 3.0 | mA | | |
| Power Supply | | | | | | |
| Voltage (V _{CC}) | | 3 | | V | | |
| V _{SELECT} Low | | | 0.8 | V | High Gain mode. Select<0.8V, V _{BIAS} =3V | |
| V _{SELECT} High | 1.8 | | | V | Low Gain mode. Select>1.8 V, V _{BIAS} =0 V | |
| Power Down | 0 | | 10 | μA | Gain Select<0.8V, V _{BIAS} =0V, V _{CC} =0V | |

Bias note: Due to the presence of ESD protection circuitry on the RF2370, the maximum allowable collector bias voltage (pin 4) is 4.0V. Higher supply voltages such as 5V are permissible if a series resistor is used to drop V_{CC} to \leq 4.0V for a given I_{CC} .

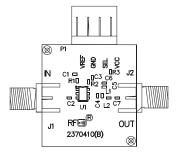
| Pin | Function | Description | Interface Schematic |
|-----|----------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 1 | BIAS | For low noise amplifier applications, this pin is used to control the bias current. An external resistor can be used to set the bias current for any V_{BIAS} voltage. | VBIAS |
| 2 | GND1 | Ground connection. For best performance, keep traces physically short and connect immediately to ground plane. | |
| 3 | RF IN | RF input pin. This part is designed such that 50Ω is the optimal source impedance for best noise figure. Best noise figure is achieved with only a series capacitor on the input. | To Bias Circuit RF IN O |
| 4 | RF OUT | Amplifier output pin. This pin is an open-collector output. It must be biased to V_{CC} through a choke or matching inductor. This pin is matched to 50Ω with a shunt L, series L topology enhances to stability of the device by reducing the high frequency gain above 6GHz. | |
| 5 | GND2 | See GND1. | |
| 6 | GAIN SELECT | This pin selects high gain and bypass modes. Gain Select≤0.8V, high gain. Gain Select≥1.8V, low gain. A series resistor of 100Ω is required on this pin to enhance stability. | |

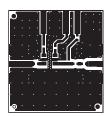


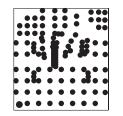
Evaluation Board Schematic

Evaluation Board Layout Board Size 0.835" x 0.900"

Board Thickness 0.032", Board Material FR-4









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