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GaAs MMIC I/Q MIXER 17 - 27 GHz

Typical Applications

The HMC1041LC4 is Ideal for:

- Point-to-Point Radio
- · Point-to-Multi-Point Radio
- · Test Equipment & Sensors
- · Military End Use

Features

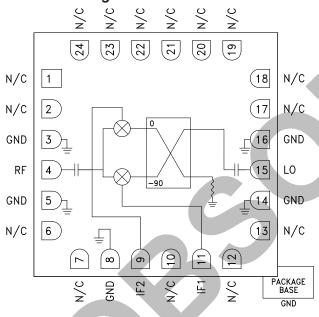
Wide IF Bandwidth: DC - 3.5 GHz

Image Rejection: 36 dB LO to RF Isolation 45 dB

High Input IP3: +20 dBm

24 Lead 4x4 mm SMT Package: 16 mm²

Functional Diagram



General Description

The HMC1041LC4 is a compact I/Q MMIC mixer in a leadless "Pb free" SMT package, which can be used as either an Image Reject Mixer or a Single Sideband Upconverter. The mixer utilizes two standard Hittite double balanced mixer cells and a 90 degree hybrid fabricated in a GaAs MESFET process. A low frequency quadrature hybrid was used to produce a 1000 MHz USB IF output. This product is a much smaller alternative to hybrid style Image Reject Mixers and Single Sideband Upconverter assemblies. The HMC1041LC4 eliminates the need for wire bonding and allows the use of surface mount manufacturing techniques.

Electrical Specifications, $T_A = +25$ °C, IF= 1 GHz, USB, LO = +15 dBm^[1]

| Parameter | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Min. | Тур. | Max | Units |
|---------------------------|------|----------|------|------|----------|------|------|----------|-----|-------|
| Frequency Range, RF/LO | | 17 - 20 | | | 20 - 24 | | | 24 - 27 | | GHz |
| Frequency Range, IF | | DC - 3.5 | | | DC - 3.5 | | | DC - 3.5 | | GHz |
| Conversion Loss (As IRM) | | 7 | 10 | | 9 | 12 | | 9 | 12 | dB |
| Image Rejection | 20 | 29 | | 26 | 36 | | 20 | 30 | | dB |
| LO to RF Isolation | 40 | 45 | | 38 | 43 | | 34 | 39 | | dB |
| LO to IF Isolation | | 45 | | | 40 | | | 40 | | dB |
| IP3 (Input) | | 18 | | | 20 | | | 19 | | dBm |
| Amplitude Balance [2] [3] | | ±0.5 | | | ±0.5 | | | ±0.25 | | dB |
| Phase Balance [2] [3] | | ±2.5 | | | ±4.0 | | | ±1.5 | | Deg |

^[1] Unless otherwise noted, all measurements performed as downconverter.

^[2] Data taken without external 90° hybrid.

^[3] Data taken with IF = 100MHz

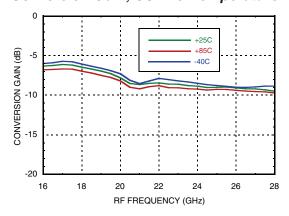




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Data Taken As IRM with External IF 90° Hybrid, IF = 1000 MHz

Conversion Gain, USB vs. Temperature



Conversion Gain, USB vs. LO Drive

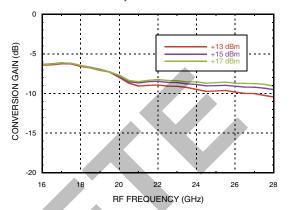


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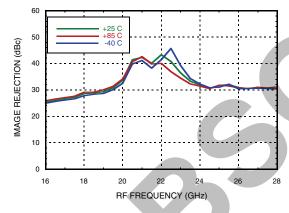
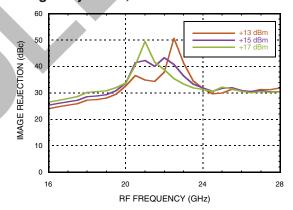
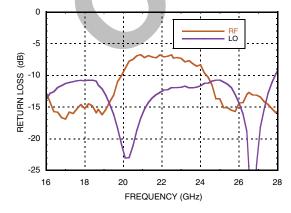


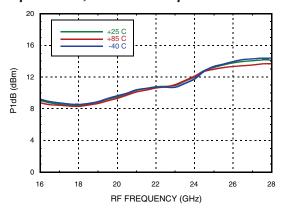
Image Rejection, USB vs. LO Drive



Return Loss [1]



Input P1dB, USB vs. Temperature



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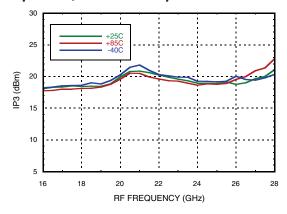




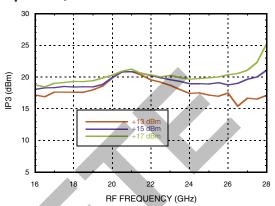
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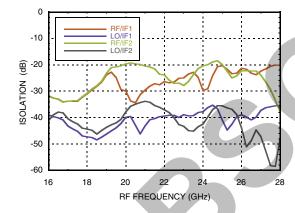
Input IP3, USB vs. Temperature



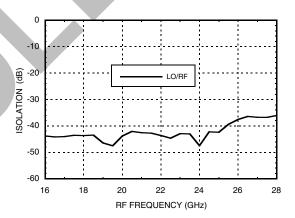
Input IP3, USB vs LO Drive



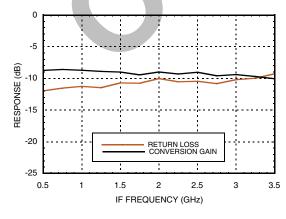
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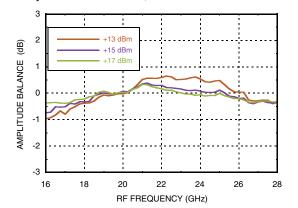
LO/RF Isolation



IF Bandwidth [1]



Amplitude Balance, USB vs. LO Drive [1] [2]



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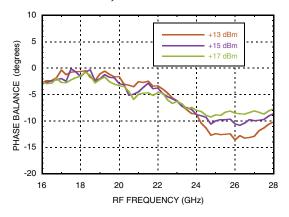




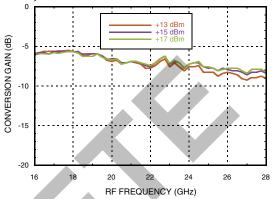
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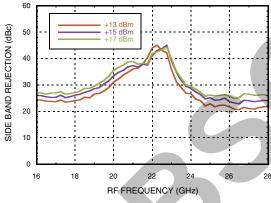
Phase Balance, USB vs. LO Drive [1] [2]



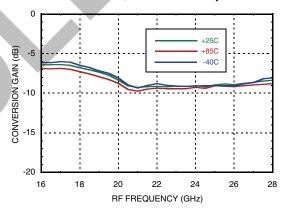
Upconverter Performance Conversion Gain, USB vs. LO Drive



Upconverter Performance Sideband Rejection, USB vs. LO Drive



Conversion Gain, LSB vs. Temperature



Conversion Gain, LSB vs. LO Drive

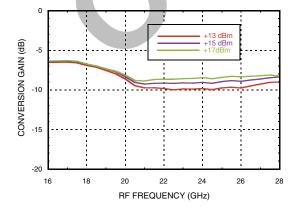
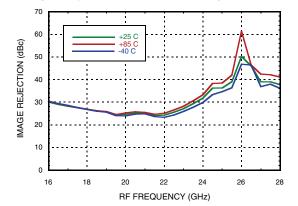


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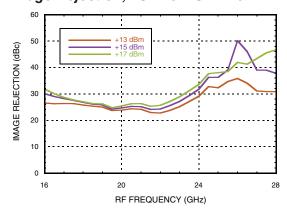




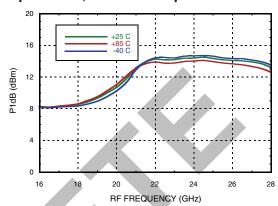
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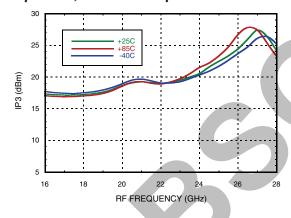
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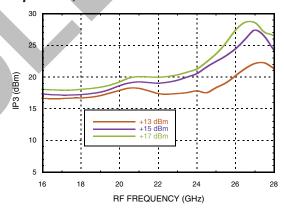
Input P1dB, LSB vs. Temperature



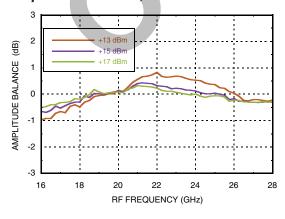
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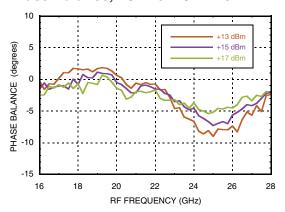
Input IP3, LSB vs LO Drive



Amplitude Balance, LSB vs. LO Drive [1] [2]



Phase Balance, LSB vs. LO Drive [1] [2]



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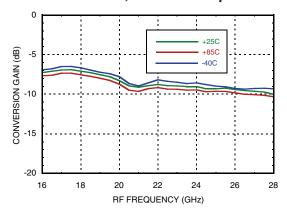




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Conversion Gain, USB vs. Temperature



Conversion Gain, USB vs. LO Drive

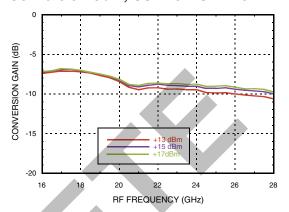


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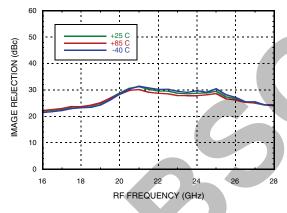
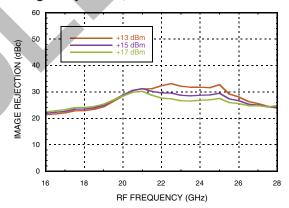
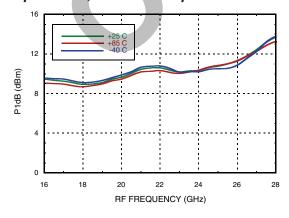


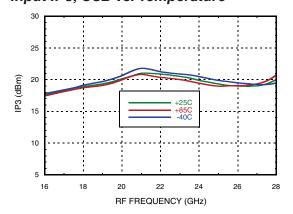
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Input P1dB, USB vs. Temperature



Input IP3, USB vs. Temperature

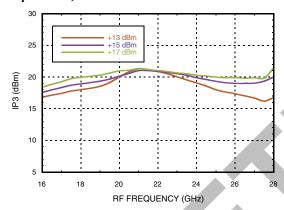




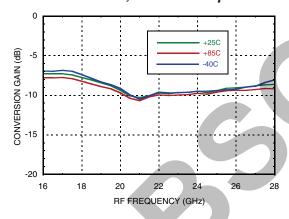


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Data Taken As IRM with External IF 90° Hybrid, IF = 2000 MHz
Input IP3, USB vs LO Drive



Conversion Gain, LSB vs. Temperature



Conversion Gain, LSB vs. LO Drive

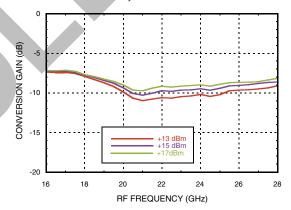


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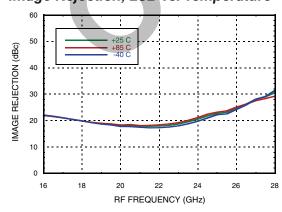
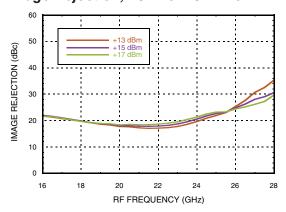


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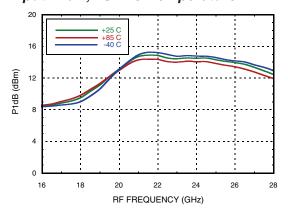




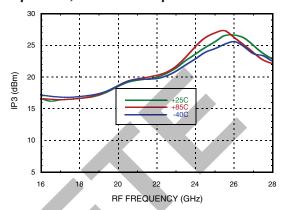
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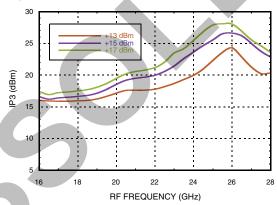
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Input IP3, LSB vs. Temperature



Input IP3, LSB vs LO Drive



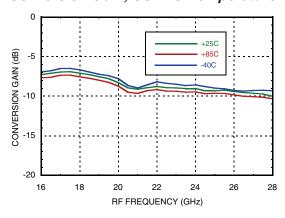




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Data Taken As IRM with External IF 90° Hybrid, IF = 2500 MHz

Conversion Gain, USB vs. Temperature



Conversion Gain, USB vs. LO Drive

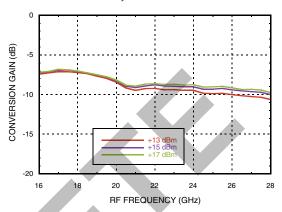


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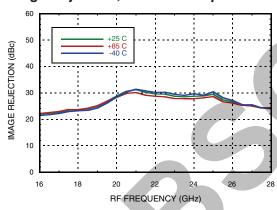
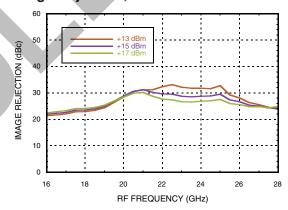
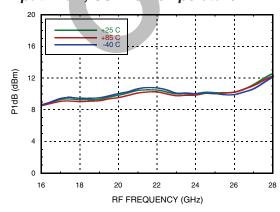


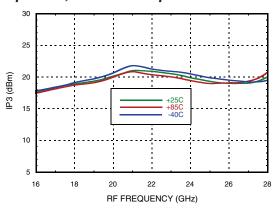
Image Rejection, USB vs. LO Drive



Input P1dB, USB vs. Temperature



Input IP3, USB vs. Temperature

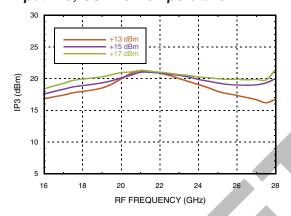




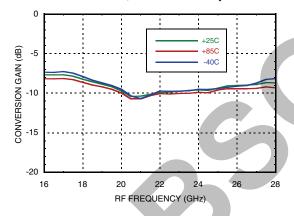


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Input IP3, USB vs. Temperature



Conversion Gain, LSB vs. Temperature



Conversion Gain, LSB vs. LO Drive

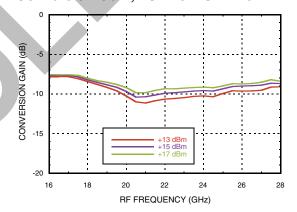


Image Rejection, LSB vs. Temperature

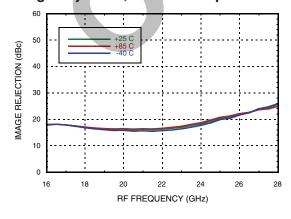
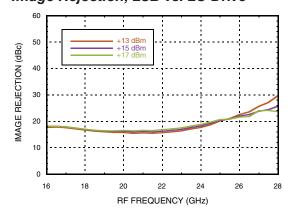


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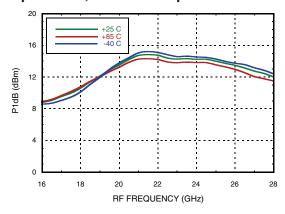




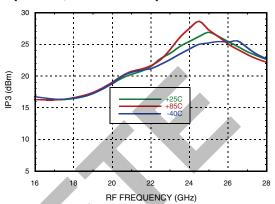
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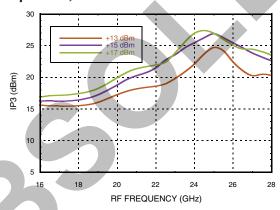
Input P1dB, LSB vs. Temperature



Input IP3, LSB vs. Temperature



Input IP3, LSB vs LO Drive







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Harmonics of LO

| LO Fron (CLIE) | nLO Spur at RF Port | | | | | |
|----------------|---------------------|----|----|---|--|--|
| LO Freq. (GHz) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | | |
| 13 | 43 | 40 | 46 | Х | | |
| 18 | 41 | 50 | Х | Х | | |
| 23 | 44 | 43 | Х | Х | | |
| 28 | 44 | Х | Х | Х | | |
| 33 | 36 | Х | Х | Х | | |

LO = + 15 dBm

Values in dBc below LO level measured at RF Port.

MxN Spurious Outputs

| | nLO | | | | | | |
|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|--|--|
| mRF | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | | |
| 0 | Х | 8 | 49 | Х | Х | | |
| 1 | 19 | X | 43 | 70 | Х | | |
| 2 | 70 | 86 | 67 | 87 | 70 | | |
| 3 | Х | 69 | 84 | 81 | 86 | | |
| 4 | Х | Х | 69 | 81 | 92 | | |

RF = 22 GHz @ -10 dBm

LO = 21 GHz @ +15 dBm

Data taken without IF hybrid

All values in dBc below IF power level

Absolute Maximum Ratings

| RF / IF Input (LO = +18 dBm) | +18 dBm |
|---|----------------|
| LO Drive | +20 dBm |
| Channel Temperature | 150°C |
| Continuous Pdiss (T=85°C) (derate 5.2 mW/°C above 85°C) | 338 mW |
| Thermal Resistance (R _{TH}) (junction to package bottom) | 192°C/W |
| Storage Temperature | -65 to +150 °C |
| Operating Temperature | -40 to +85 °C |
| ESD Sensitivity (HBM) | Class 1A |



ELECTROSTATIC SENSITIVE DEVICE OBSERVE HANDLING PRECAUTIONS

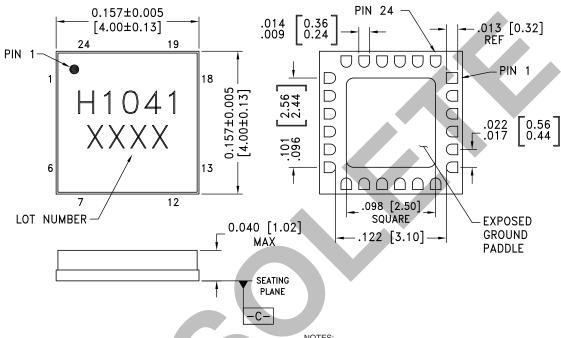




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Outline Drawing

BOTTOM VIEW



NOTES

- PACKAGE BODY MATERIAL: ALUMINA
- 2. LEAD AND GROUND PADDLE PLATING: GOLD FLASH OVER NICKEL.
- 3. DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES (MILLIMETERS).
- 4. LEAD SPACING TOLERANCE IS NON-CUMULATIVE.
- 5. PACKAGE WARP SHALL NOT EXCEED 0.05MM DATUM C -
- ALL GROUND LEADS AND GROUND PADDLE MUST BE SOLDERED TO PCB RF GROUND.

Package Information

| Part Number | Package Body Material | Lead Finish | MSL Rating | Package Marking [2] |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------|---------------------|
| HMC1041LC4 | Alumina, White | Gold over Nickel | MSL3 [1] | H1041 XXXX |

^[1] Max peak reflow temperature of 260 °C

^{[2] 4-}Digit lot number XXXX





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Pin Descriptions

| Pin Number | Function | Description | Interface Schematic |
|-----------------------------------|----------|--|---------------------|
| 1, 2, 6, 7, 10, 12, 13, 17- 24 | N/C | These pins are not connected internally; however, all data shown herein was measured with these pins connected to RF/DC ground externally. | |
| 3, 5, 8, 14, 16 | GND | These pins and the exposed ground paddle must be connected to RF/DC ground. | GND |
| 4 | RF | This pin is AC coupled and matched to 50 Ohms. | RF ○── |
| 9 | IF2 | This pin is DC coupled. For application not requiring operation to DC, this port should be DC blocked externally using a series capacitor whose value has | IF1,IF2 O |
| 11 | IF1 | been chosen to pass the necessary IF frequency range. For operation to DC, this pin must not source/sink more than 3 mA of current or product non-function and pos- sible product failure will result. | |
| 15 | LO | This pin is AC coupled and matched to 50 Ohms from 17 to 27 GHz | LO 0 |

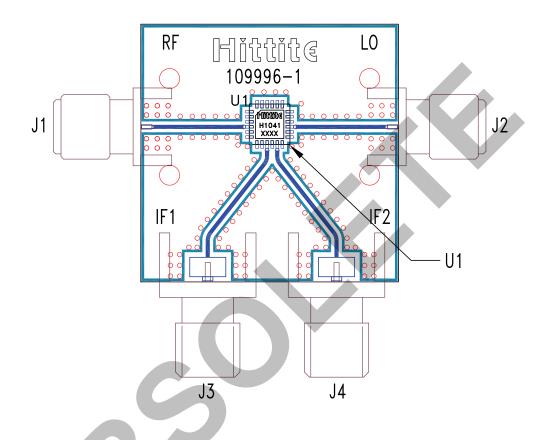






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Evaluation PCB



List of Materials for Evaluation PCB EVAL01-HMC1041LC4 [1]

| Item | Description |
|---------|----------------------------------|
| J1, J2 | PCB Mount SMA RF Connector, SRI |
| J3 - J4 | PCB Mount SMA Connector, Johnson |
| U1 | HMC1041LC4 |
| PCB [2] | 109996-1 Evaluation Board |

[1] Reference this number when ordering complete evaluation PCB

[2] Circuit Board Material: Rogers 4350

The circuit board used in the application should use RF circuit design techniques. Signal lines should have 50 Ohm impedance while the package ground leads and exposed paddle should be connected directly to the ground plane similar to that shown. A sufficient number of via holes should be used to connect the top and bottom ground planes. The evaluation circuit board shown is available from Hittite upon request.





Notes

