

Typical Applications

The HMC557LC4 is ideal for:

WiMAX & Fixed Wireless

Point-to-Multi-Point Radios

Test Equipment & Sensors

Point-to-Point Radios



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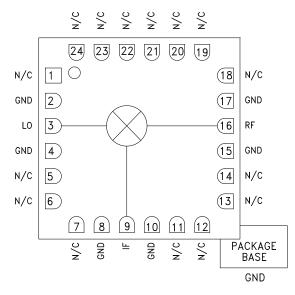
GaAs MMIC FUNDAMENTAL MIXER, 2.5 - 7.0 GHz

Features

Passive Double Balanced Topology Wide IF Bandwidth: DC - 3 GHz High LO/RF Isolation: 48 dB Low Conversion Loss: 7 dB 24 Lead Ceramic 4x4mm SMT Package: 16mm²

Military End-Use

Functional Diagram



General Description

The HMC557LC4 is a general purpose double balanced mixer in a leadless RoHS compliant SMT package that can be used as an upconverter or downconverter between 2.5 and 7 GHz. This mixer is fabricated in a GaAs MESFET process, and requires no external components or matching circuitry. The HMC557LC4 provides excellent LO to RF and LO to IF isolation due to optimized balun structures and operates with LO drive levels as low as +9 dBm. The RoHS compliant HMC557LC4 eliminates the need for wire bonding, and is compatible with high volume surface mount manufacturing techniques.

Electrical Specifications, $T_A = +25^{\circ}$ C, IF= 100 MHz, LO= +15 dBm*

| Parameter | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Min. | Тур. | Max. | Units |
|-------------------------------|-----------|------|-----------|------|------|------|-------|
| Frequency Range, RF & LO | 2.5 - 5.0 | | 5.0 - 7.0 | | | GHz | |
| Frequency Range, IF | DC - 3 | | DC - 3 | | | GHz | |
| Conversion Loss | | 7 | 9.5 | | 8.5 | 10.5 | dB |
| Noise Figure (SSB) | | 7 | 9.5 | | 8.5 | 10.5 | dB |
| LO to RF Isolation | 40 | 48 | | 40 | 48 | | dB |
| LO to IF Isolation | 26 | 32 | | 25 | 30 | | dB |
| RF to IF Isolation | 12 | 18 | | 20 | 25 | | dB |
| IP3 (Input) | | 17 | | | 22 | | dBm |
| IP2 (Input) | | 50 | | | 50 | | dBm |
| 1 dB Gain Compression (Input) | | 10 | | | 13 | | dBm |

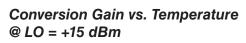
*Unless otherwise noted, all measurements performed as downconverter, IF= 100 MHz.

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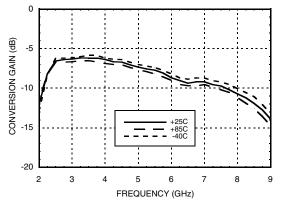


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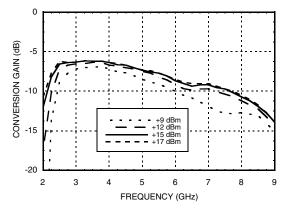
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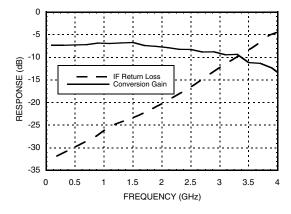
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Conversion Gain vs. LO Drive

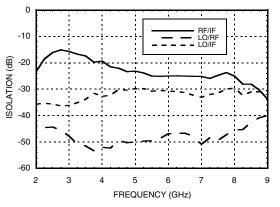


IF Bandwidth @ LO = +15 dBm

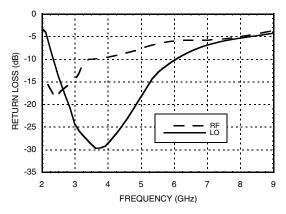


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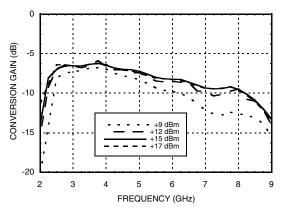
Isolation @ LO = +15 dBm



Return Loss @ LO = +15 dBm



Upconverter Performance Conversion Gain vs. LO Drive



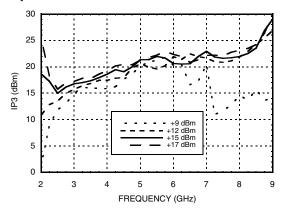
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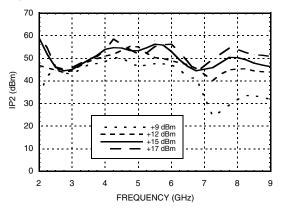
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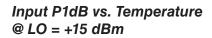


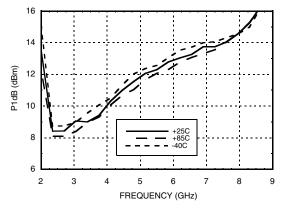
Input IP3 vs. LO Drive *



Input IP2 vs. LO Drive *

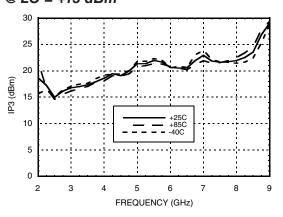




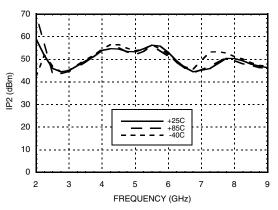


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Input IP3 vs. Temperature @ LO = +15 dBm *



Input IP2 vs. Temperature @ LO = +15 dBm *



MxN Spurious Outputs

| | nLO | | | | |
|--|-----|----|----|----|----|
| mRF | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 0 | xx | -1 | 28 | 25 | 52 |
| 1 | 17 | 0 | 37 | 40 | 69 |
| 2 | 77 | 57 | 69 | 56 | 77 |
| 3 | 77 | 77 | 77 | 74 | 77 |
| 4 | 77 | 77 | 77 | 77 | 77 |
| RF = 5.1 GHz @ -10 dBm LO = 5 GHz @ +15 dBm All values in dBc below the IF output power level. | | | | | |

* Two-tone input power = -10 dBm each tone, 1 MHz spacing.

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RoHS

Absolute Maximum Ratings

| RF / IF Input | +25 dBm |
|--|----------------|
| LO Drive | +25 dBm |
| Channel Temperature | 150 °C |
| Continuous Pdiss (T = 85 °C) (derate 5.2 mW/°C above 85 °C) | 339 mW |
| Thermal Resistance (channel to ground paddle) | 192 °C/W |
| Storage Temperature | -65 to +150 °C |
| Operating Temperature | -40 to +85 °C |



BOTTOM VIEW

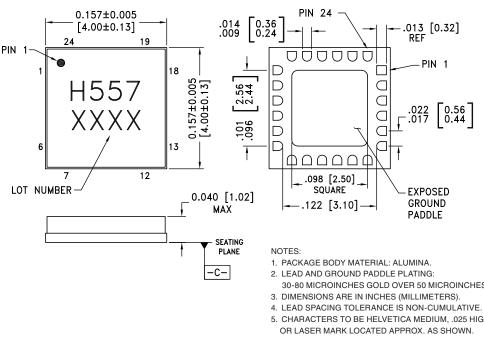
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Outline Drawing



30-80 MICROINCHES GOLD OVER 50 MICROINCHES MINIMUM NICKEL.

5. CHARACTERS TO BE HELVETICA MEDIUM. .025 HIGH. BLACK INK.

6. PACKAGE WARP SHALL NOT EXCEED 0.05MM DATUM - C -7. 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] |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| HMC557LC4 | Alumina, White | Gold over Nickel | MSL3 ^[1] | H557 XXXX |

[1] Max peak reflow temperature of 260 °C

[2] 4-Digit lot number XXXX

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Pin Descriptions

RoHS√

| Pin Number | Function | Description | Interface Schematic |
|-------------------------------|----------|---|---------------------|
| 1, 5 - 7, 11 - 14, 18 - 24 | N/C | No connection required. These pins may be connected to RF/DC ground without affecting performance. | |
| 2, 4, 8, 10, 15, 17 | GND | Package bottom must also be connected to RF/DC ground. | |
| 3 | LO | This pin is DC coupled and matched to 50 Ohms. | |
| 9 | IF | This pin is DC coupled. For applications not requiring operation to DC, this port should be DC blocked externally using a series capacitor whose value has been chosen to pass the necessary IF frequency range. For operation to DC, this pin must not source or sink more than 2 mA of current or part non-function and possible part failure will result. | |
| 16 | RF | This pin is DC coupled and matched to 50 Ohms. | |

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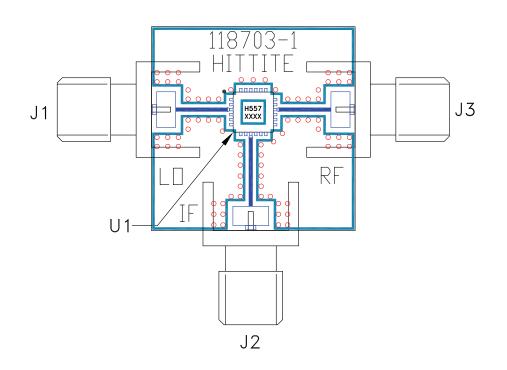


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Evaluation PCB



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List of Materials for Evaluation PCB 118704 [1]

| Item | Description |
|---------|-----------------------|
| J1 - J2 | SRI SMA Connector |
| J3 | Johnson SMA Connector |
| U1 | HMC557LC4 Mixer |
| PCB [2] | 118703 Evaluation PCB |

Reference this number when ordering complete evaluation PCB
Circuit Board Material: Rogers 4350

The circuit board used in this 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.

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