



MMIC REFLECTIONLESS

Low Pass Filter

XLF-551+

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50Ω DC to 550 MHz

THE BIG DEAL

- Match to 50Ω in the stop band, eliminates undesired reflections
- Cascadable
- Excellent Power handling
- Temperature sData, up to +105°C
- Small size, 3 x 3 mm
- Protected by US Patent No. 8,392,495



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CASE STYLE: DQ1225

+RoHS Compliant

The +Suffix identifies RoHS Compliance.
See our website for methodologies and qualifications

APPLICATIONS

- Harmonics Rejection
- Wideband Matching
- Transmitters / Receivers

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Mini-Circuits' XLF-551+ reflectionless filter employs a novel filter topology which absorbs and terminates stop band signals internally rather than reflecting them back to the source. This new capability enables unique applications for filter circuits beyond those suited to traditional approaches. Traditional filters are reflective in the stop band, sending signals back to the source at 100% of the power level. These reflections interact with neighboring components and often result in inter-modulation and other interferences. Reflectionless filters eliminate stop band reflections, allowing them to be paired with sensitive devices and used in applications that otherwise require circuits such as isolation amplifiers or attenuators.

KEY FEATURES

Features	Advantages
Reflectionless Technology	Reflectionless filters absorb unwanted signals, preventing reflections back to the source. This reduces generation of additional unwanted signals without the need for extra components like attenuators, improving system dynamic range and saving board space.
50Ω Match in Stopband	Reflectionless filters maintain good impedance matching in the stopband, allowing for integration with high gain, wideband amplifiers without the risk of creating out-of-band instabilities.
Excellent RF Performance Repeatability	Fabricated on a GaAs process, X-series filters are inherently repeatable for large-volume production.
Excellent Stability over temperature	With ±0.3 dB variation over temperature, is ideal for use in wide temperature range applications without the need for additional temperature compensation.
Excellent Power Handling in a Compact Package	High power handling extends the usability of these filters to the transmit path for inter-stage filtering.

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ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS¹ AT +25°C

Parameter	F#	Frequency (MHz)	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Passband	Insertion Loss	DC - F1	DC - 550	—	1.4	1.8
	Frequency Cut-off	F2	770	—	3.0	—
	VSWR	DC - F1	DC - 550	—	1.2	—
Stopband	Rejection	F3 - F4	1140 - 5800	12	15	—
		F4 - F5	5800 - 18500	—	24	—
	VSWR	F3 - F4	1140 - 5800	—	1.2	—
		F4 - F5	5800 - 18500	—	1.6	—

1. Measured on Mini-Circuits Characterization Test Board TB-844-551+

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS²

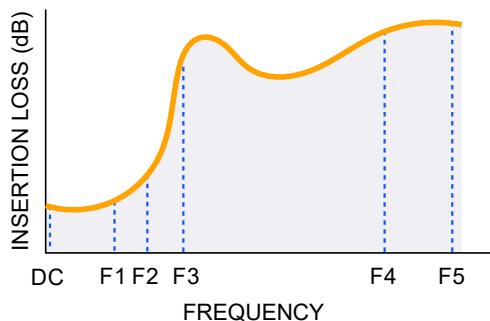
Parameter	Ratings
Operating Temperature	-55°C to +105°C
Storage Temperature	-65°C to +150°C
RF Power Input, Passband (DC-F1) ³	2 W at +25°C
RF Power Input, Stopband (F2-F5) ⁴	0.2 W at +25°C

2. Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded.

3. Passband rating derates linearly to 1 W at 105°C ambient

4. Stopband rating derates linearly to 0.1 W at 105°C ambient

SPECIFICATION DEFINITION





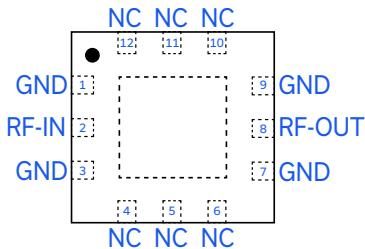
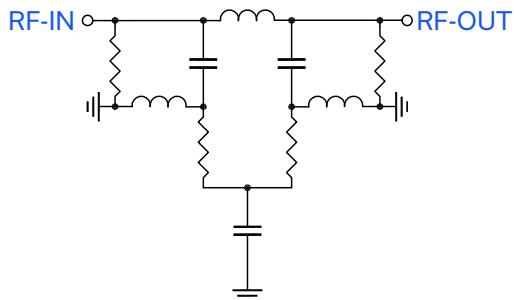
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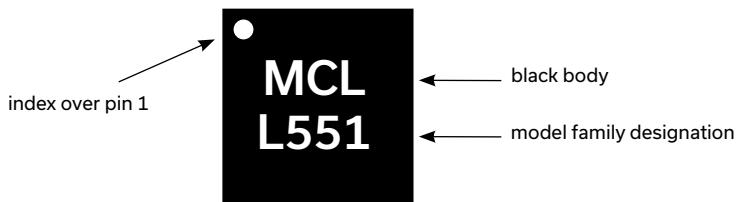
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SIMPLIFIED SCHEMATIC AND PAD DESCRIPTION



Function	Pad Number	Description
RF-IN	2	RF Input Pad
RF-OUT	8	RF Output Pad
GND	1,3,7,9, Paddle	Connected to ground
NC (GND Externally)	4,5,6,10,11,12	No internal connection

PRODUCT MARKING



Marking may contain other features or characters for internal lot control

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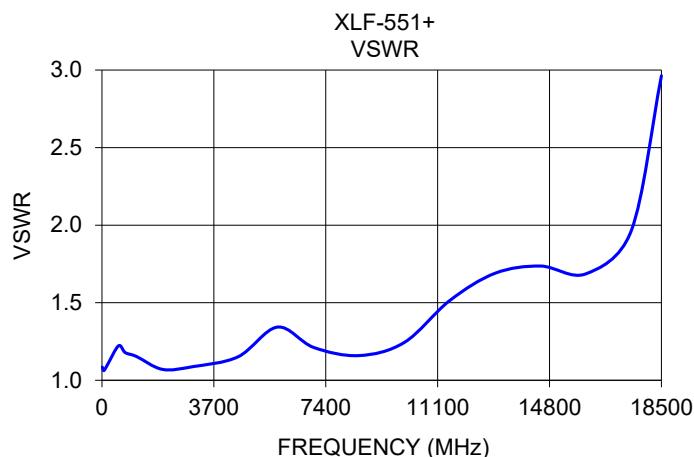
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TYPICAL PERFORMANCE DATA AT +25°C

Frequency (MHz)	Insertion Loss (dB)	VSWR (:1)
10	0.81	1.09
50	0.76	1.06
100	0.76	1.07
200	0.80	1.11
550	1.34	1.22
770	3.06	1.18
1140	15.12	1.15
2000	14.94	1.07
3000	15.33	1.09
4500	17.13	1.15
5800	15.30	1.34
7000	17.36	1.21
8500	29.21	1.16
10000	29.02	1.24
11500	27.30	1.51
13000	25.73	1.69
14500	24.32	1.74
16000	23.07	1.69
17500	22.26	1.96
18500	22.74	2.96

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ADDITIONAL DETAILED TECHNICAL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON OUR DASH BOARD. TO ACCESS [CLICK HERE](#)

Performance Data & Graphs	Data Graphs S-Parameter (S2P Files) Data Set (.zip file)
Case Style	DQ1225 Plastic package, exposed paddle lead finish: matte-tin
Tape & Reel Standard quantities available on reel	F66 7" reels with 20, 50, 100, 200, 500 ,1000, 2000, 3000 devices
Suggested Layout for PCB Design	PL-451
Evaluation Board	TB-844-551+ (without connectors) TB-844-551C+ (with connectors) B20-118-F1+ Connector sold separately
Environmental Ratings	ENV82

ESD RATING

Human body model (HBM): Class 1A (250 to <500V) in accordance with ANSI/ESD 5.1-2001

MSL RATING

Moisture Sensitivity: MSL1 in accordance with IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020D

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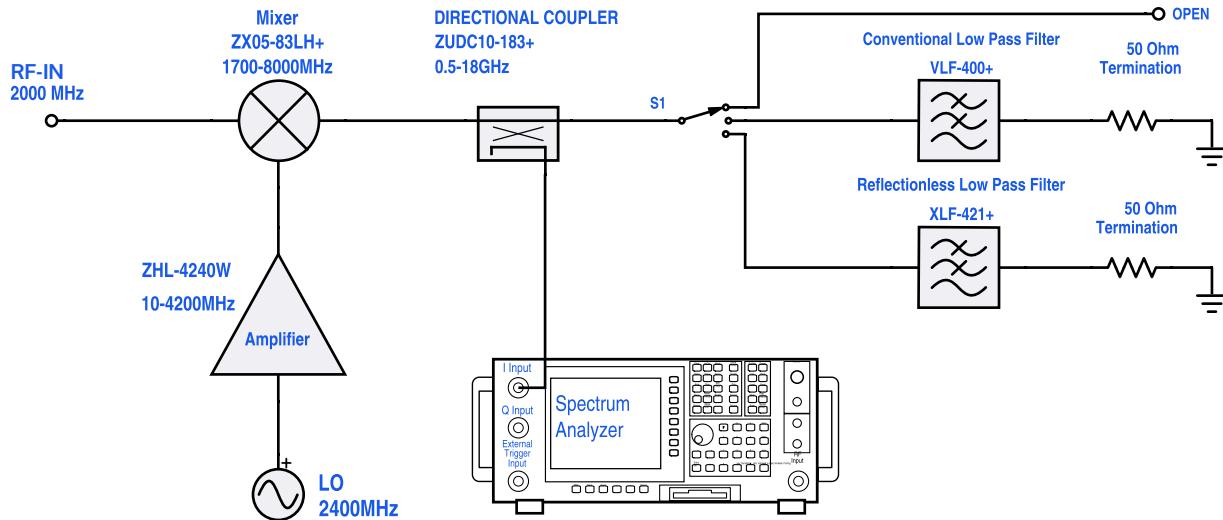
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REFLECTIONLESS FILTER APPLICATION NOTE

Application Circuit Example: Pairing mixers with reflectionless filters to improve system dynamic range



Test block diagram: IF output reflection spectrum with single input frequency

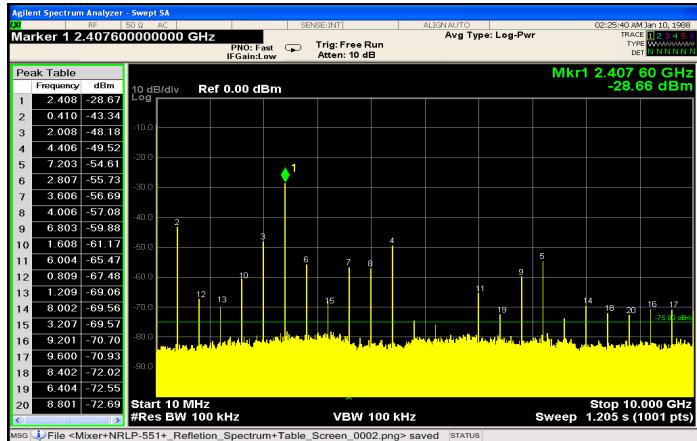


Figure 1. IF output reflection spectrum without filter

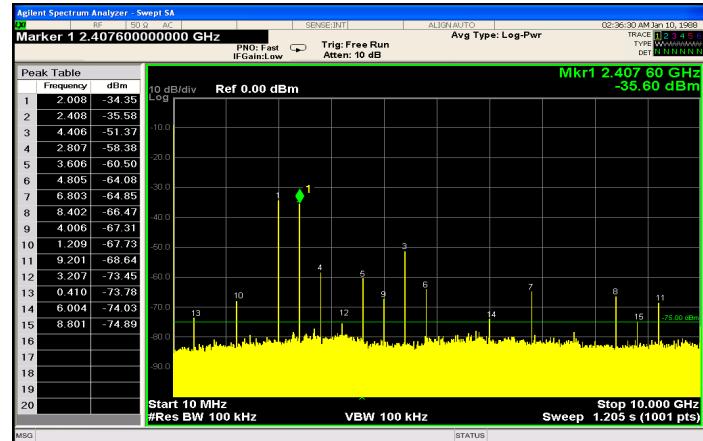


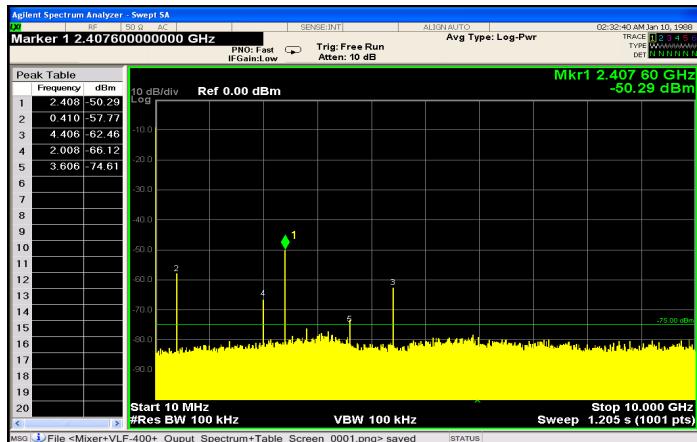
Figure 2. IF output reflection spectrum with conventional filter

An application circuit was assembled to measure the IF reflection spectrum at the output of a mixer when the mixer was paired with a conventional filter versus a reflectionless filter.

While the conventional filter reduces the reflections present when the mixer is used alone (no filter), the reflectionless filter virtually eliminates those reflections altogether.

The reflected signal at marker 1 in the figures above exhibits a reduction of more than 20 dB from -28.7 dBm to -50.3 dBm when the reflectionless filter is used as compared to the conventional filter, thus eliminating unwanted spurious mixing products and improving system dynamic range.

For more information, refer to application note [AN-75-007](#)



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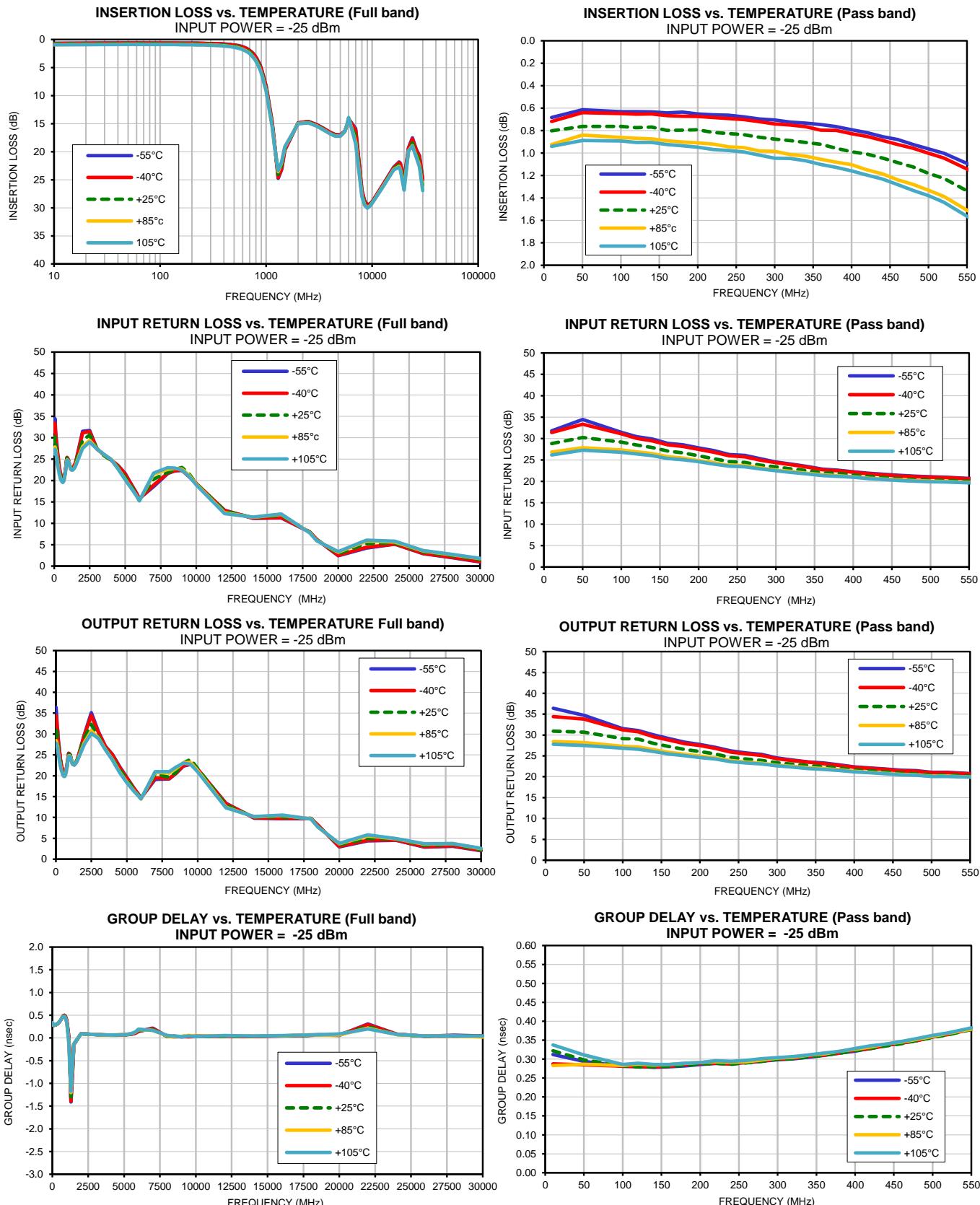
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Typical Performance Curves



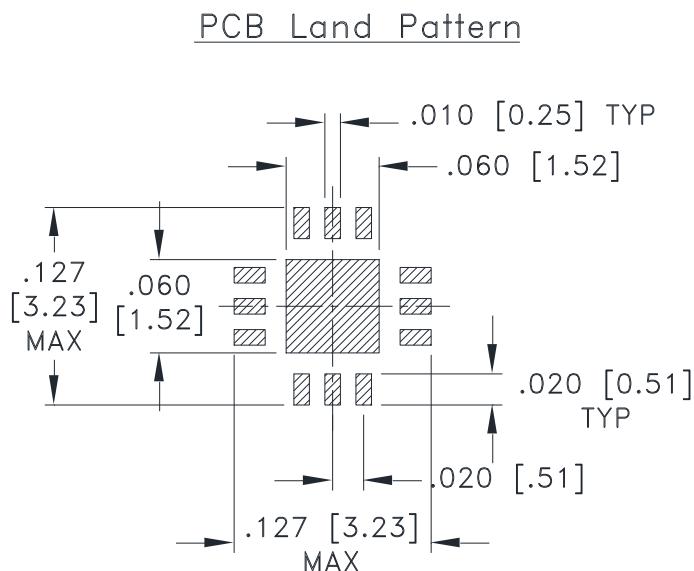
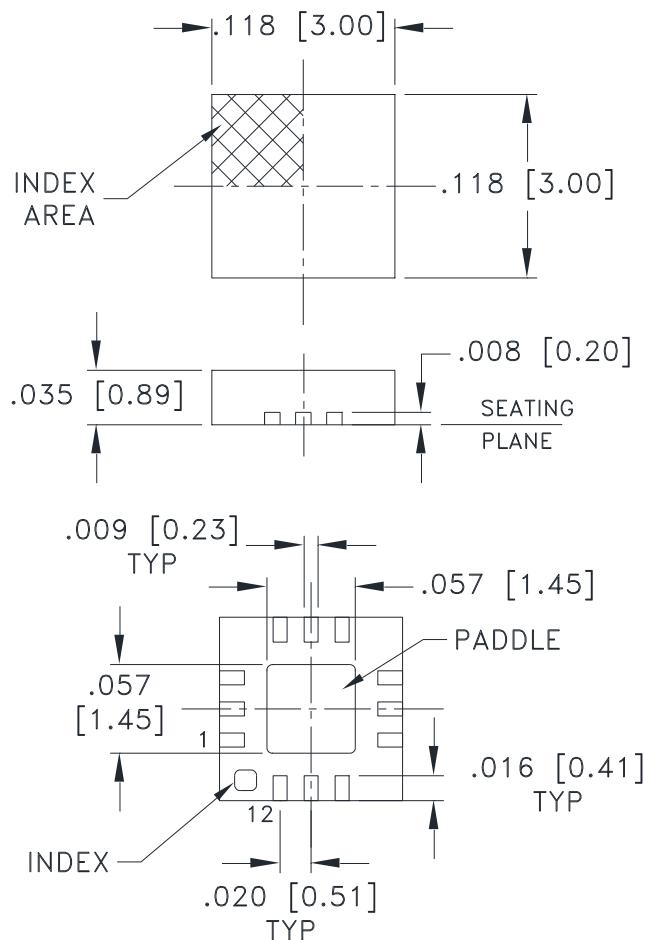
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IF/RF MICROWAVE COMPONENTS

Outline Dimensions



SUGGESTED LAYOUT,
TOLERANCE TO BE WITHIN $\pm .002$

Weight: .02 Grams

Dimensions are in inches (mm). Tolerances: 2Pl. $\pm .01$; 3 Pl. $\pm .004$

Notes:

1. Case material: Plastic.
2. Termination finish:
 - For RoHS Case Styles: Tin-Silver alloy plate over Nickel barrier or Matte-Tin. All models, (+) suffix.
See Data sheet.
 - For RoHS-5 Case Styles: Tin-Lead plate. All models, no (+) suffix.



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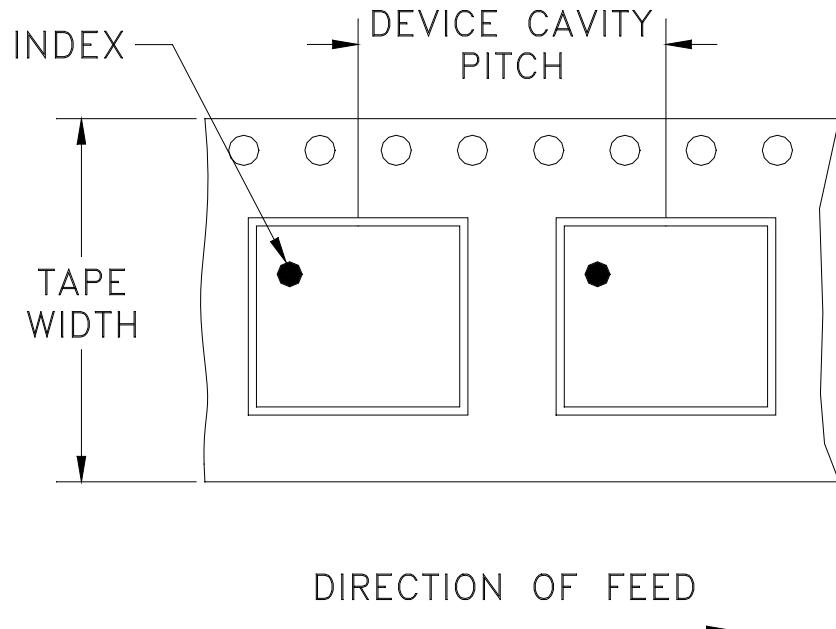
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Tape & Reel Packaging TR-F66

DEVICE ORIENTATION IN T&R



Tape Width, mm	Device Cavity Pitch, mm	Reel Size, inches	Devices per Reel see note	
8	4	7	Small quantity standard	20
				50
				100
				200
				500
		7	Standard	1000, 2000, 3000

Note: Please consult individual model data sheet to determine device per reel availability.

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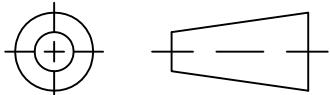
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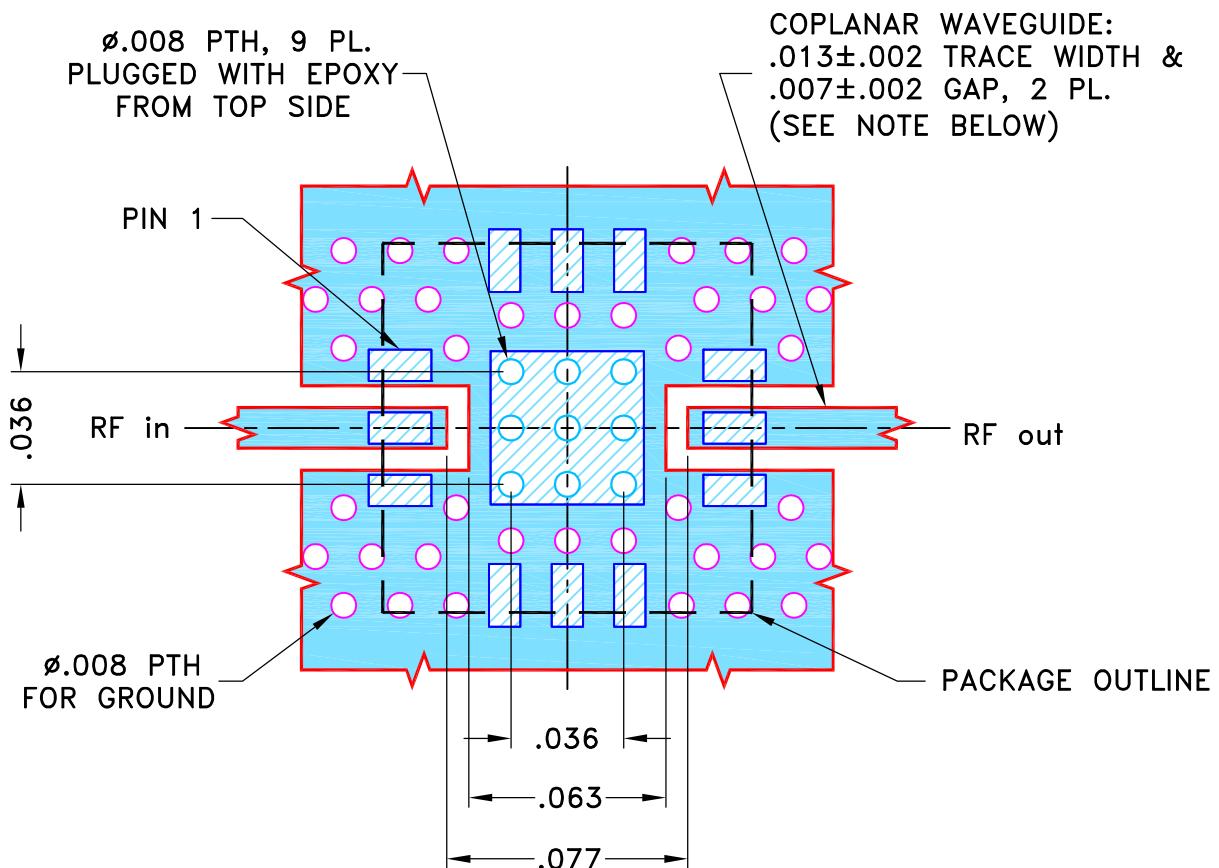
THIRD ANGLE PROJECTION



REVISIONS

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SUGGESTED MOUNTING CONFIGURATION
FOR DQ1225 CASE STYLE, "12FL02" PIN CODE

NOTES:

1. TRACE WIDTH PARAMETERS ARE SHOWN FOR ROGERS R04350B WITH DIELECTRIC THICKNESS $.0066'' \pm .0007''$. COPPER: 1/2 OZ. EACH SIDE. FOR OTHER MATERIALS TRACE WIDTH AND GAP MAY NEED TO BE MODIFIED.
2. BOTTOM SIDE OF THE PCB IS CONTINUOUS GROUND PLANE.



DENOTES PCB COPPER LAYOUT WITH SMOBC (SOLDER MASK OVER BARE COPPER).



DENOTES COPPER LAND PATTERN FREE OF SOLDER MASK.

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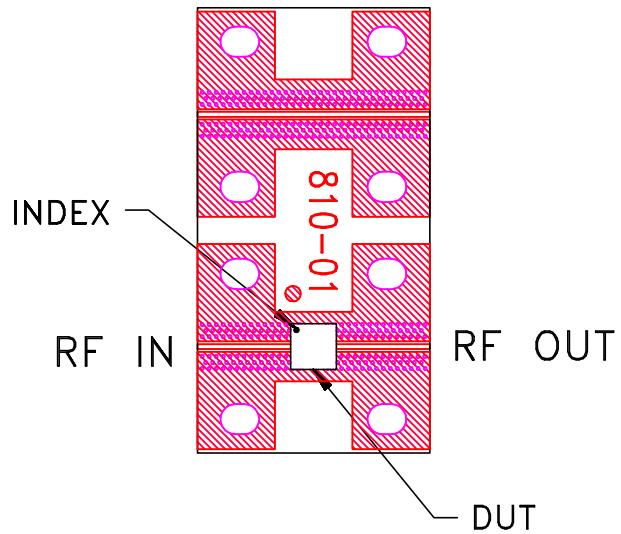
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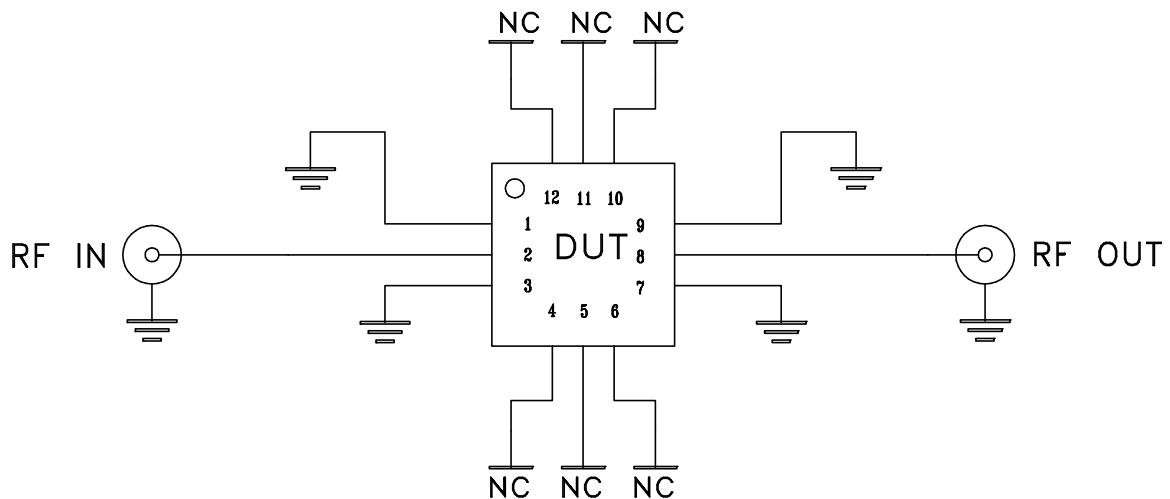
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Evaluation Board and Circuit

To be used with Mini-Circuits 50 Ohm 2.92 connectors B20-118-F1+.
Connectors are sold separately.



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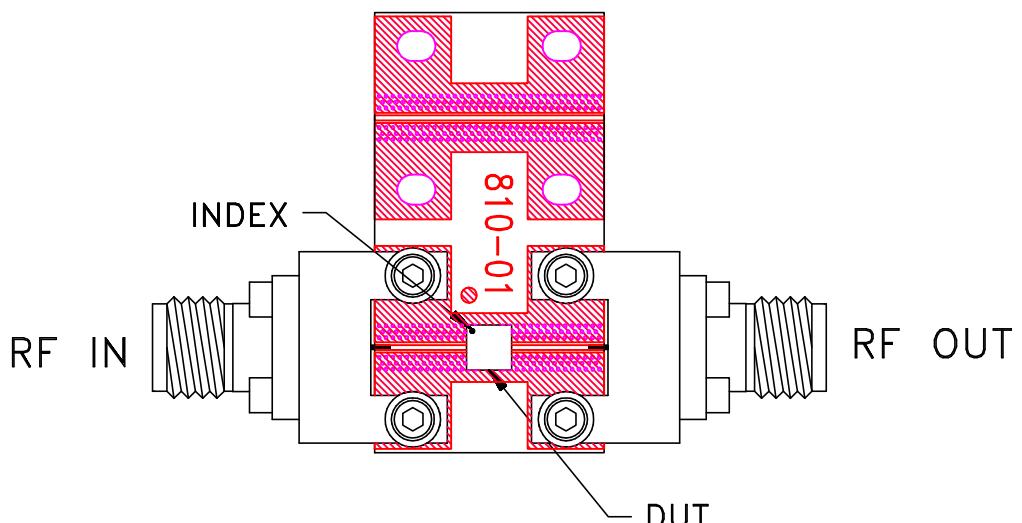
Schematic Diagram

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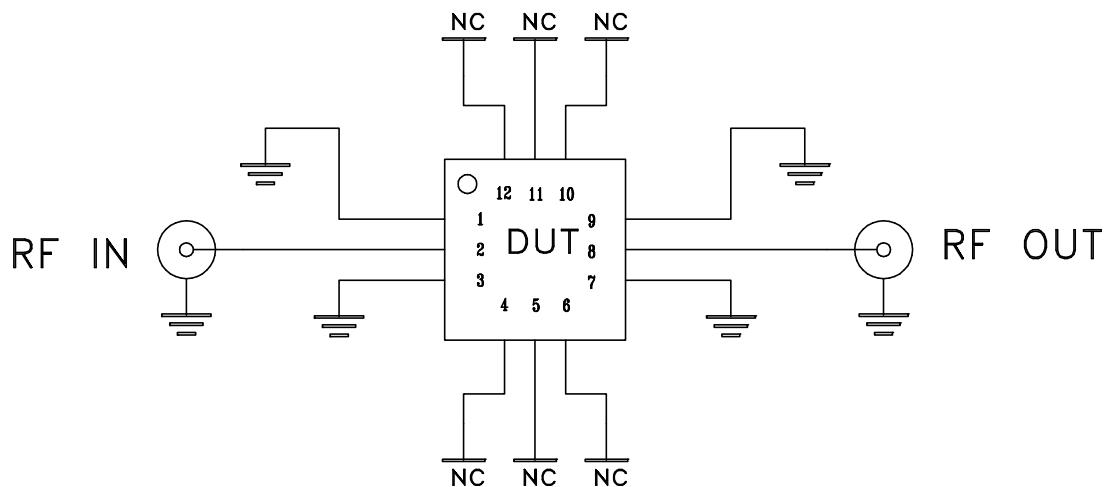
PCB Material: R04350 or equivalent,
Dielectric Constant=3.5, Thickness=.0066 inch.

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Evaluation Board and Circuit



TB-844-551C+



Schematic Diagram

Notes:

1. 50 Ohm 2.92 mm Female connectors.
2. PCB Material: RO4350 or equivalent,
Dielectric Constant=3.5, Thickness=.0066 inch.

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Specification	Test/Inspection Condition	Reference/Spec
Operating Temperature	-55° to 105°C Ambient Environment	Individual Model Data Sheet
Storage Temperature	-65° to 150° C Ambient Environment	Individual Model Data Sheet
Autoclave	15 psig, 100% RH, 121°C, 96 hours	JESD22-A102-C, Condition C
Temperature Cycling	-65° to 150°C, 100 cycles	JESD22-A104
Temperature Humidity	85°C/ 85% RH, 168 hours	JESD22-113
Solder Reflow Heat	Sn-Pb Eutetic Process: 240°C peak Pb-Free Process: 260°C peak	J-STD-020, Table 4-1, 4-2 and 5-2; Figure 5-1
Moisture Sensitivity: Level 1	Bake at 125°C for 24 hours Soak at 85°C/85% RH for 168 hours, Reflow 3 cycles at 240°C peak (Non-RoHS) or 260°C (RoHS)	J-STD-020C
Solderability	10X magnification, 95% coverage	JESD22-B102, Method 1: Dip and Look Test
Marking Resistance to Solvents	Isopropyl alcohol + mineral spirits at 25°C; terpene defluxer at 25°C; distilled water + propylene glycol monomethyl ether + monoethanolamine at 63°C to 70°C	MIL-STD-202, Method 215