

GaAs MMIC SMT DOUBLE-BALANCED MIXER, 6 - 15 GHz

Typical Applications

The HMC142C8 is ideal for:

- Microwave Pt to Pt Radios
- VSAT Ground Equipment

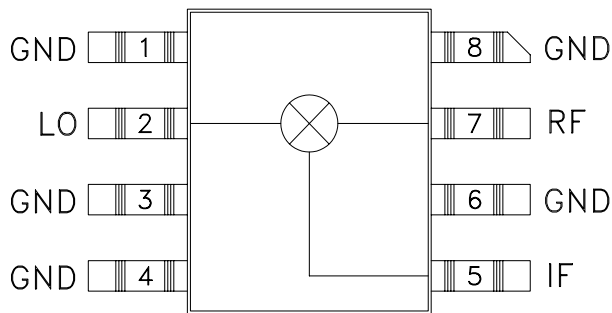
Features

Input IP3: 20 dBm

Conversion Loss: 8.5 dB

LO to RF Isolation: 35 dB

Functional Diagram



General Description

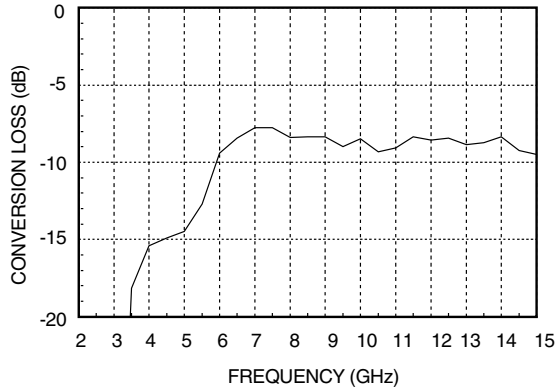
The HMC142C8 is a miniature double-balanced mixer in a non-hermetic ceramic surface mount package that can be used as an upconverter or downconverter. The device is a passive diode/balun type mixer with high dynamic range. The mixer can handle larger signal levels than most active mixers due to the high third order intercept. MMIC implementation provides exceptional balance in the circuit resulting in high LO/RF and LO/IF isolations and unit-to-unit consistency. This mixer has applications where small size and surface mount compatibility are important.

Electrical Specifications, $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$, LO Drive = +15 dBm

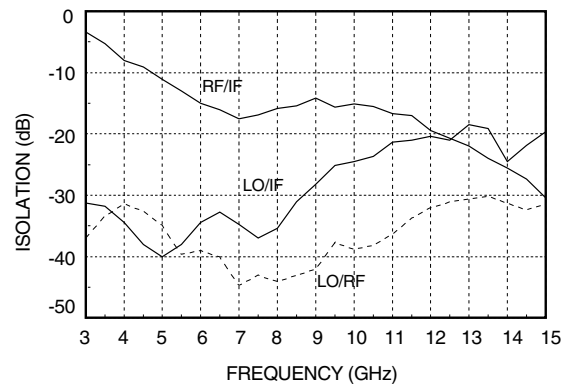
| Parameter | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Units |
|-------------------------------|------------|------|------|-------|
| Frequency Range, RF & LO | 6 - 15 | | | GHz |
| Frequency Range, IF | DC - 2 | | | GHz |
| Conversion Loss | 7 - 11 GHz | 8.5 | 10 | dB |
| | 6 - 18 GHz | 10 | 12 | dB |
| Noise Figure (SSB) | | 8.5 | 10 | dB |
| LO to RF Isolation | 28 | 35 | | dB |
| LO to IF Isolation | 17 | 25 | | dB |
| IP3 (Input) | | 20 | | dBm |
| IP2 (Input) | | 45 | | dBm |
| 1 dB Gain Compression (Input) | | 10 | | dBm |

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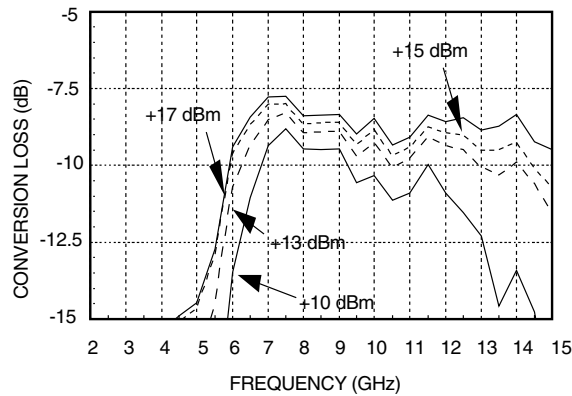
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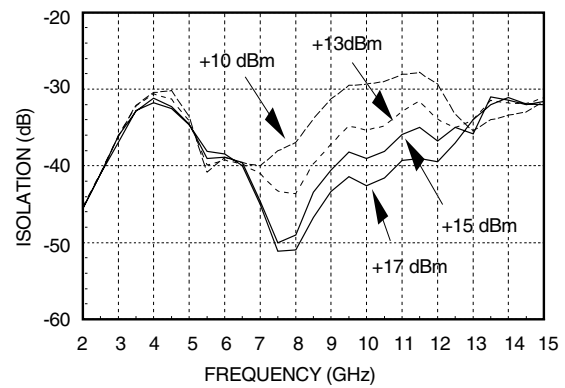
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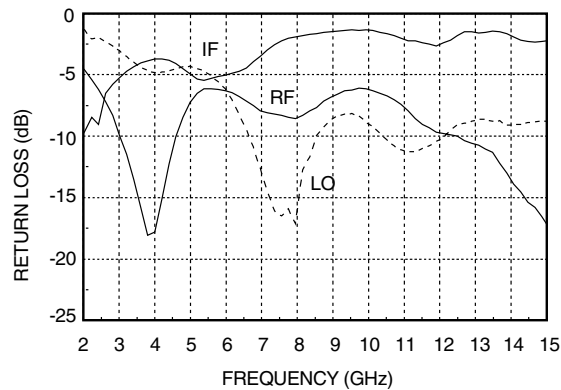
Conversion Loss vs. LO Drive Level



Isolation vs. LO Drive Level



Return Loss



Distortion and 1dB Compression vs. LO Drive Level

| Distortion | | | |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| LO Drive (dBm) | IP3 (dBm) | IP2 (dBm) | P1dB (dBm) |
| +13 | 18 | 42 | 7 |
| +15 | 21 | 45 | 10 |
| +17 | 21 | 45 | 10 |

RF (f1)= 11.01 GHz
RF (f2)= 11.00 GHz
LO= 11.5 GHz
RF Level= 0 dBm

1 dB Compression

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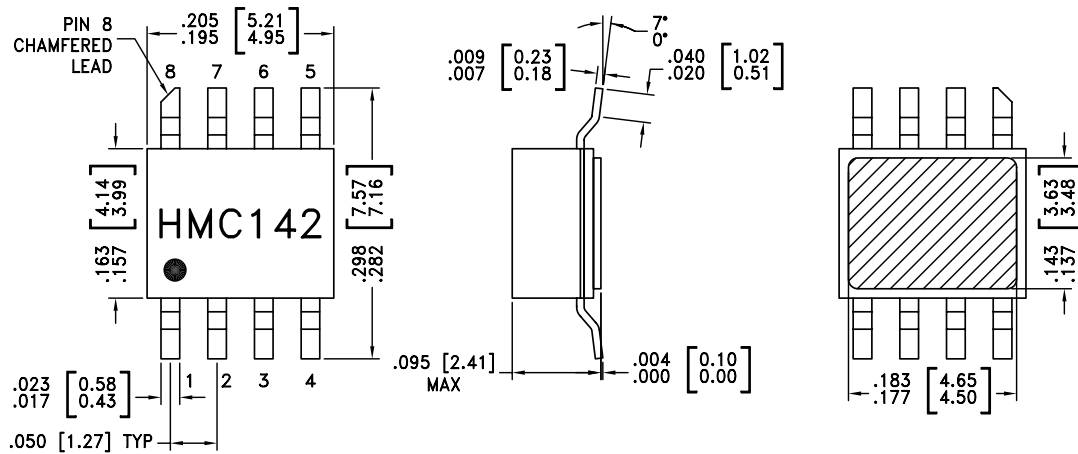
Absolute Maximum Ratings

| | |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| RF/IF Input | +13 dBm |
| LO Drive | +27 dBm |
| Storage Temperature | -65 to +150 °C |
| Operating Temperature | -55 to +85 °C |

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Outline Drawing

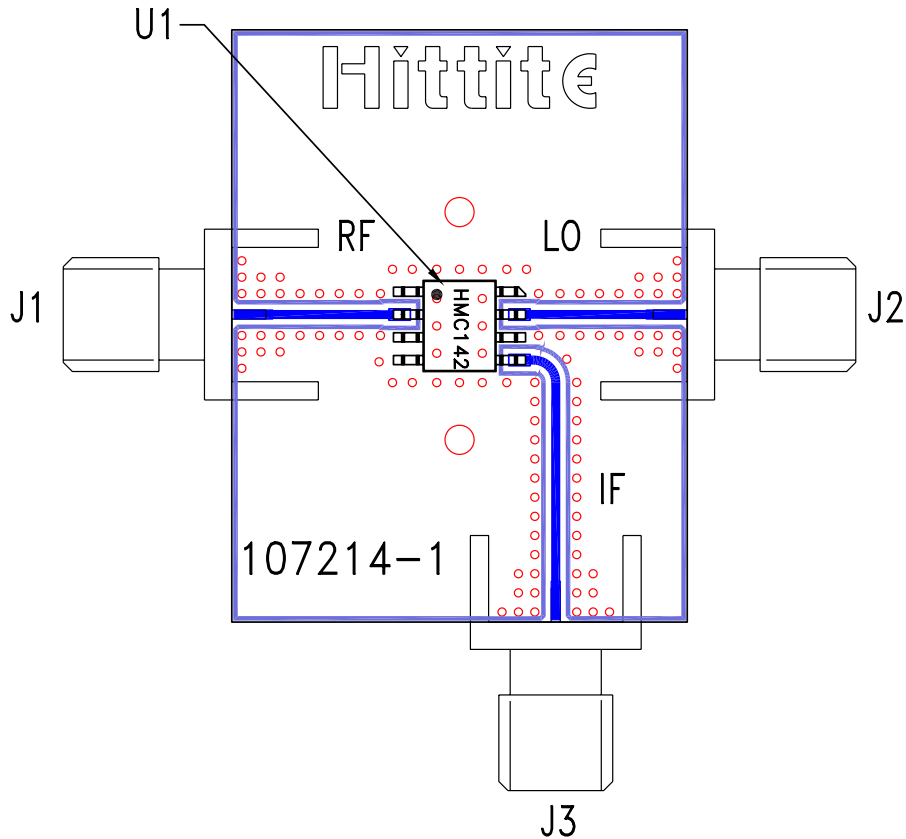


NOTES:

1. PACKAGE BODY MATERIAL: WHITE ALUMINA 92%
2. LEAD, PACKAGE BOTTOM MATERIAL: COPPER
3. PLATING: ELECTROLYTIC GOLD 100-200 MICROINCHES, OVER ELECTROLYTIC NICKEL 100-250 MICROINCHES.
4. DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES [MILLIMETERS].
5. PACKAGE LENGTH AND WIDTH DIMENSIONS DO NOT INCLUDE LID SEAL PROTRUSION .005 PER SIDE.
6. ALL GROUND LEADS AND GROUND PADDLE MUST BE SOLDERED TO PCB RF GROUND.

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Evaluation PCB



List of Material

| Item | Description |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| J1 - J3 | PC Mount SMA RF Connector |
| U1 | HMC142C8 Mixer |
| PCB* | 107214 Evaluation Board |
| * Circuit Board Material: Rogers 4350 | |

The circuit board used in the final 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.