

Features

- Active Mixer with Conversion Gain
- No External LO Driver Necessary
- Low LO Drive Level Required
- RF and LO Ports May Be Driven Single-ended
- Single 5-V Supply Voltage
- High LO-RF Isolation
- Broadband Resistive 50- Ω Impedances on All Three Ports
- Small SSO16 Package

Applications

- Digital Communication Systems
- 800 MHz to 1000 MHz Transceivers for Base Stations

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Electrostatic sensitive device.
Observe precautions for handling.

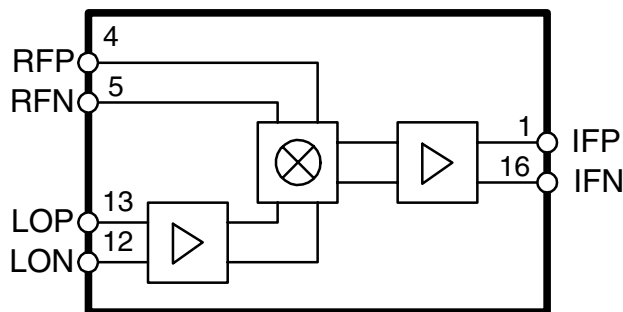


Description

The T0780 is a high linearity active mixer which is manufactured using Atmel's advanced Silicon-Germanium (SiGe) technology. This mixer features a frequency range of 800 MHz to 1000 MHz. It operates from a single 5-V supply and provides 10 dB of conversion gain while requiring only 0 dBm input to the integrated LO driver. An IF amplifier is also included.

The T0780 incorporates internal matching on each RF, IF and LO port to enhance ease of use and to reduce the external components required. The RF and LO inputs can be driven differentially or single-ended.

Figure 1. Block Diagram



800 MHz -
1000 MHz
High Linearity
SiGe Active
Receive Mixer

T0780

Preliminary

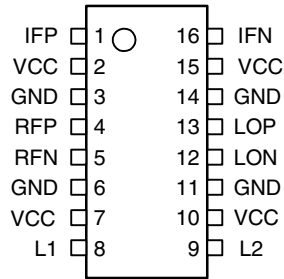
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Pin Configuration

Figure 2. Pinning SSOP16



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Pin Description

| Pin | Symbol | Function |
|-----|--------|----------------------------------|
| 1 | IFP | IF positive output |
| 2 | VCC | 5-V power supply |
| 3 | GND | Ground |
| 4 | RFP | RF positive input |
| 5 | RFN | RF negative input |
| 6 | GND | Ground |
| 7 | VCC | 5-V power supply |
| 8 | L1 | External inductor terminal |
| 9 | L2 | External inductor terminal |
| 10 | VCC | 5-V power supply |
| 11 | GND | Ground |
| 12 | LON | Local oscillator, negative input |
| 13 | LOP | Local oscillator, positive input |
| 14 | GND | Ground |
| 15 | VCC | 5-V power supply |
| 16 | IFN | IF negative output |

Absolute Maximum Ratings

All voltages are referred to GND.

| Parameters | Symbol | Value | Unit |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------|------|
| Supply voltage | V_{CC} | 5 to 5.5 | V |
| LO input | LO_P , LO_N | 10 | dBm |
| IF input | RF_P , RF_N | 15 | dBm |
| Operating temperature | T_{OP} | -40 to +85 | °C |
| Storage temperature | T_{stg} | -65 to +150 | °C |

Thermal Resistance

| Parameters | Symbol | Value | Unit |
|------------------|------------|-------|------|
| Junction ambient | R_{thJA} | TBD | K/W |
| Junction case | R_{thJC} | 46 | °C/W |

Electrical Characteristics

Test Conditions: $V_{CC} = +5\text{ V}$, $T_{amb} = +25^\circ\text{C}$; RF input: -20 dBm at 900 MHz; LO output: 0 dBm at 700 MHz

| No. | Parameters | Test Conditions/Pins | Pin | Symbol | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit | Type * |
|----------|------------------------------|--|-----|----------|------|------|------|------|--------|
| 1 | AC Performance | | | | | | | | |
| 1.1 | RF frequency range | | | f_{RF} | 800 | | 1000 | MHz | B, C |
| 1.11 | LO frequency range | | | f_{LO} | 500 | | 1000 | MHz | B, C |
| 1.2 | IF frequency range | | | F_{IF} | 30 | 200 | 300 | MHz | B, C |
| 1.5 | Conversion gain | | | | 7 | 10 | | dB | A |
| 1.6 | SSB noise figure | | | | | 15 | 19 | dB | D |
| 1.3 | Input IP3 | RF1 = RF2 = -15 dBm/tone, 1 MHz spacing | | IP3 | 15 | 19 | | dBm | D |
| 1.4 | Input P1dB | | | | 2 | 5 | | dBm | D |
| 1.7 | RF return loss | Matched to $50\ \Omega^{(1)}$ | | | | 20 | | dB | D |
| 1.8 | LO return loss | Matched to $50\ \Omega^{(1)}$ | | | | 20 | | dB | D |
| 1.9 | IF return loss | Matched to $50\ \Omega^{(1)}$ | | | | 20 | | dB | D |
| 1.10 | LO drive | Matched to $50\ \Omega^{(1)}$ | | | -3 | 0 | +3 | dBm | D |
| 2 | Isolation Performance | | | | | | | | |
| 2.1 | Leakage (LO-RF) | Single-ended configuration | | | | -40 | -35 | dBm | D |
| 2.2 | Leakage (LO-IF) | Single-ended configuration | | | | -26 | -20 | dBm | D |
| 2.3 | Leakage (RF-IF) | Single-ended configuration | | | | -40 | -35 | dBm | D |
| 3 | Miscellaneous | | | | | | | | |
| 3.1 | Supply voltage | | | V_{CC} | 4.75 | 5 | 5.25 | V | A |
| 3.1 | Supply current | | | I_{CC} | | 160 | 180 | mA | A |

*) Type means: A = 100% tested, B = 100% correlation tested, C = Characterized on samples, D = Design parameter

Notes: 1. The return losses shown were measured with the T0780 mounted on Atmel's FR4 evaluation boards using standard matching practices as indicated on the application schematic page herein. Users following the RF, LO and IF matching guidelines will achieve similar performance.

Typical Device Performance

Figure 3. Conversion Gain versus Temperature

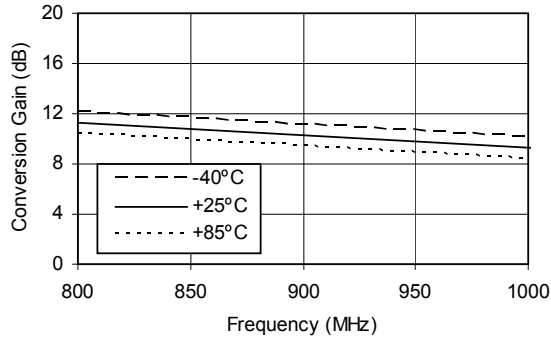


Figure 4. Conversion Gain versus LO Drive, $T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$

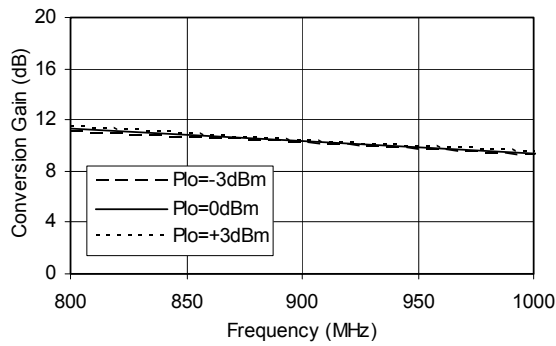


Figure 5. Leakages, Plo = 0 dBm, Prf = -20 dBm, Single-ended Configuration

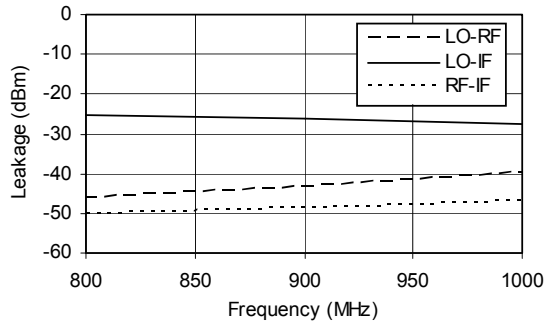
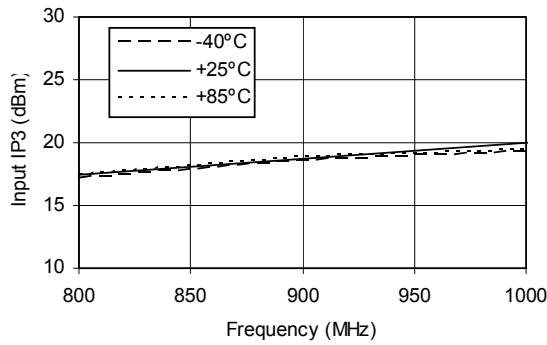


Figure 6. Input IP3 versus Temperature



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Figure 7. Input IP3 versus LO Drive, $T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$

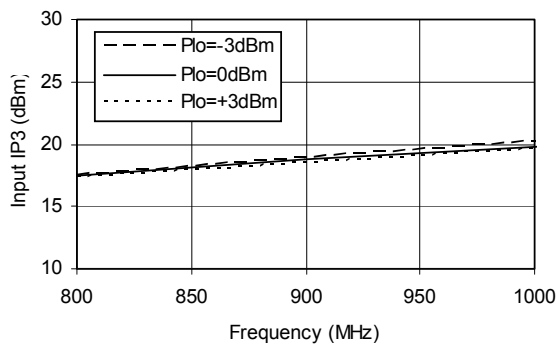


Figure 8. Noise Figure versus Temperature, Plo = 0 dBm

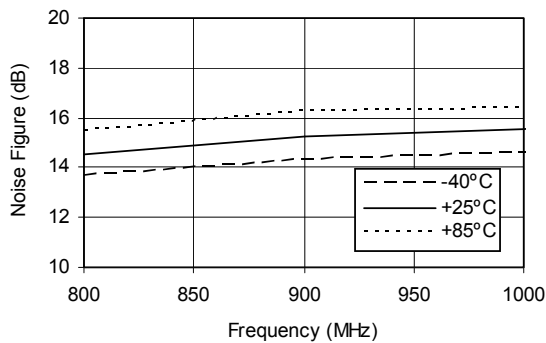


Figure 9. RF and LO Return Loss $T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$

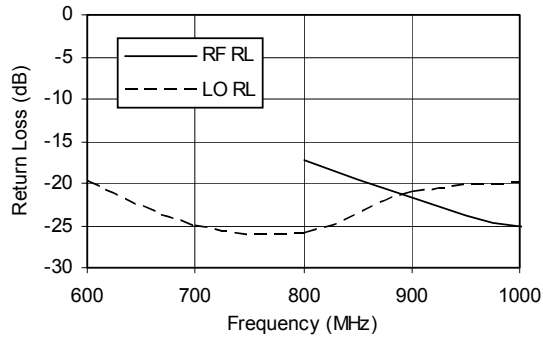


Figure 10. IF Return Loss $T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$

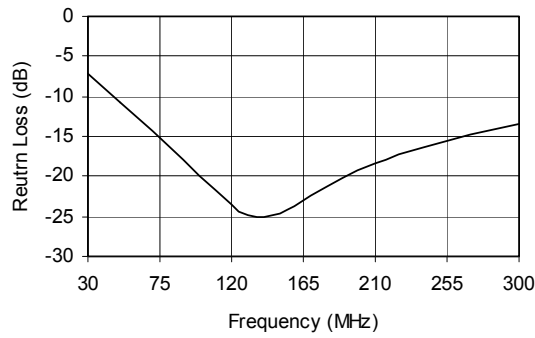


Figure 11. Input P1dB versus Temperature, $P_{lo} = 0 \text{ dBm}$

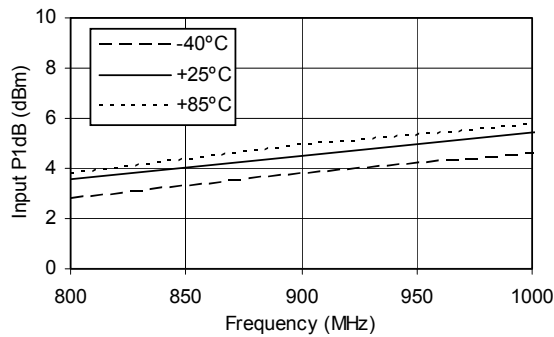
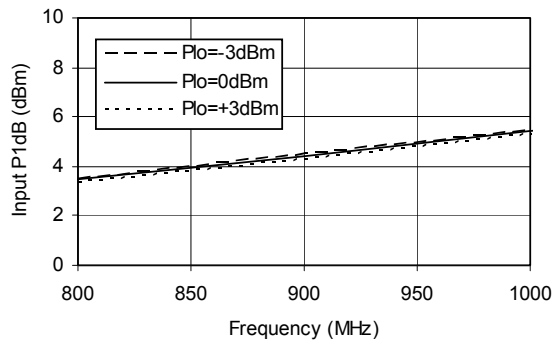
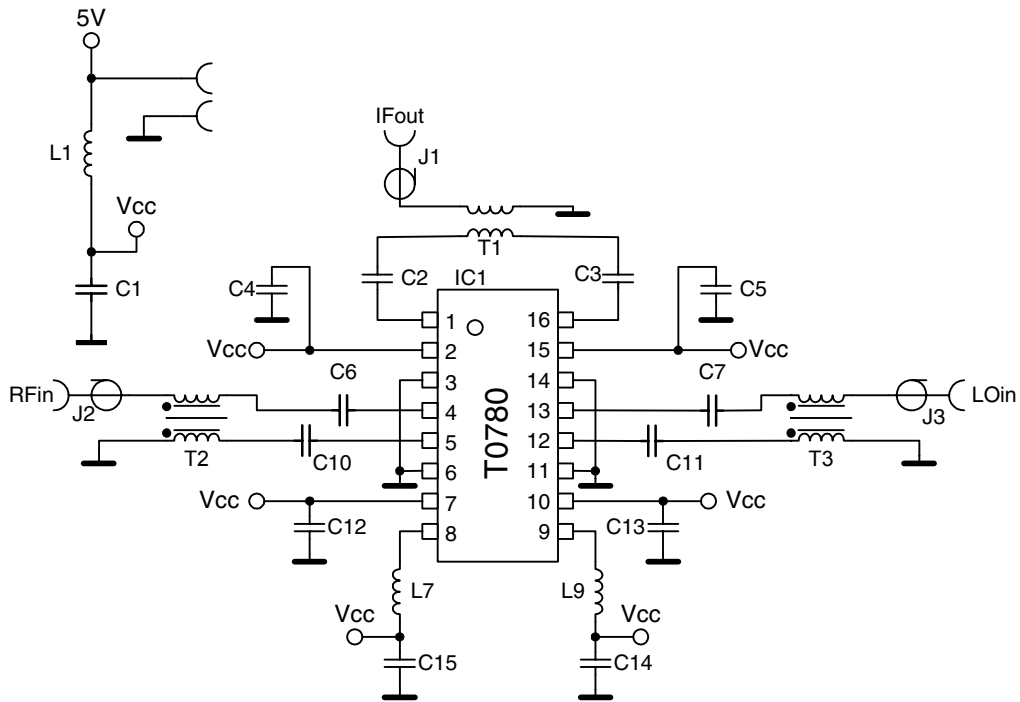


Figure 12. Input P1dB versus LO Drive, $T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$



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Figure 13. Demo Test Board Schematic



Bill of Material

| Component Designator | Value | Vendor | Part Number | Description |
|----------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------------|---|
| IC1 | | Atmel | T0780 | SiGe receiver mixer |
| J1, J2, J3 | | Johnson Components™ | 742-0711-841 | SMA connector, end launch with tab, for 1.07 mm board |
| T1 | 1:1 | Mini-Circuits® | TC1-1 | IF transformer |
| L1 | 1 μ H | Würth Elektronik® | 74476401 | Inductor, 1210 footprint, minimum 200 mA rating |
| L7, L9 | see Table 1 | Würth Elektronik | 744786110 | Inductor, 0603 footprint, high Q series |
| C4, C5, C12, C13 | 27 pF | Vishay® | VJ0402A 270JXXA_ | Capacitor, 0402 footprint |
| C14, C15 | 100 pF | Vishay | VJ0402A101JXXA_ | Capacitor, 0402 footprint |
| C2, C3 | 120 pF | Vishay | VJ0402A121JXXA_ | Capacitor, 0402 footprint |
| C1 | 10 μ F | KEMET® | T491A106_010AS | Tantal chip capacitor, size A |
| T2, T3 | 1:1 | Panasonic® | EHF-FD1618 | RF transformer |
| C6, C10 | 15 pF | Vishay | VJ0402A150JXXA_ | Capacitor, 402 footprint |
| C7, C11 | 18 pF | Vishay | VJ0402A180JXXA_ | Capacitor, 402 footprint |

The T0780 utilizes an IF tank circuit to maximize performance across the entire IF bandwidth. The off-chip inductors L7 and L9 resonate with an on-chip capacitor (4 pF) to provide IF tunability. Therefore, L7 and L9 must be selected such that the resonance occurs at the desired IF.

The following table provides the inductor values required on the evaluation board for some common intermediate frequencies. By default, all evaluation boards are shipped with L7 = L9 = 100 nH, resulting in a 200 MHz resonant IF.

Table 1. IF Tank Circuit

| IF (MHz) Typical | L7, L9 (nH) | Würth Elektronik Part Number |
|------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| 70 | 680 | 744780680 |
| 150 | 150 | 74478625 |
| 200 | 100 | 744786110 |
| 300 | 39 | 744786131 |

Figure 14. Demo Test Board (Fully Assembled PCB)

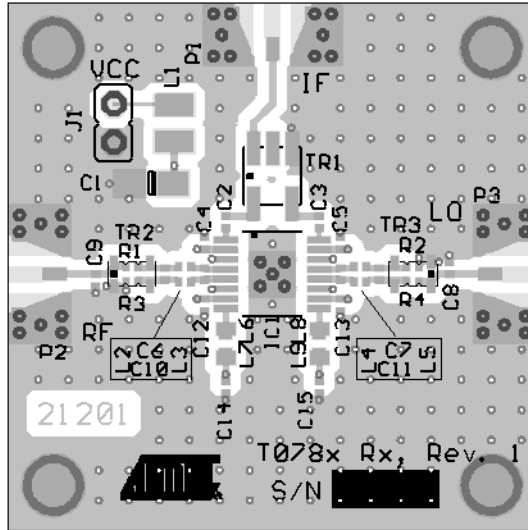
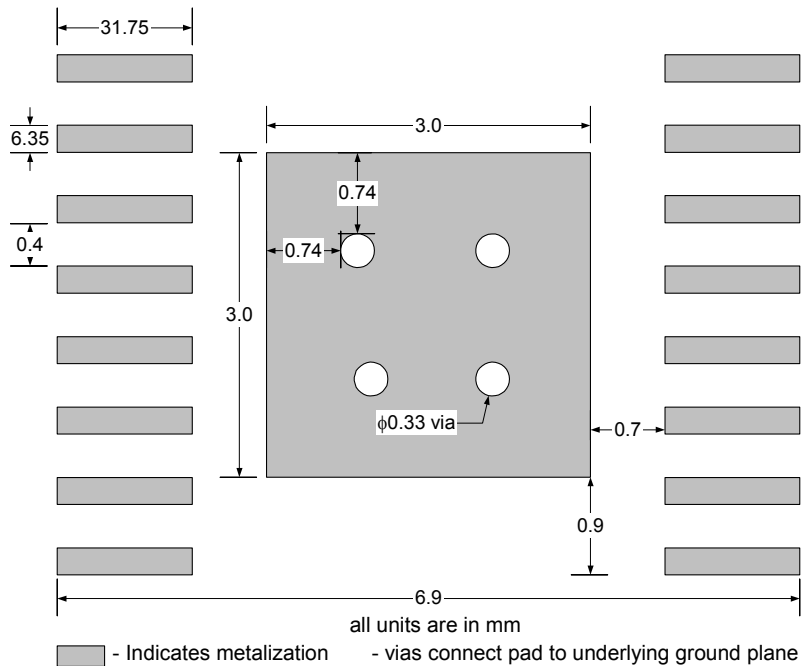


Figure 15. Recommended Package Footprint

In order to avoid soldering problems, plugging of the ground vias under the heat slug is recommended!



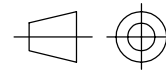
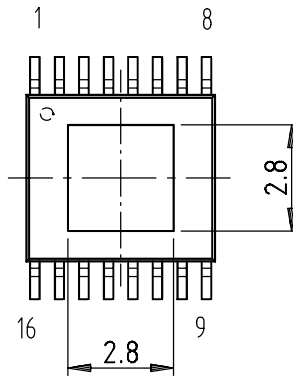
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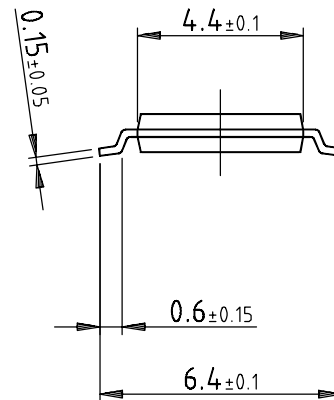
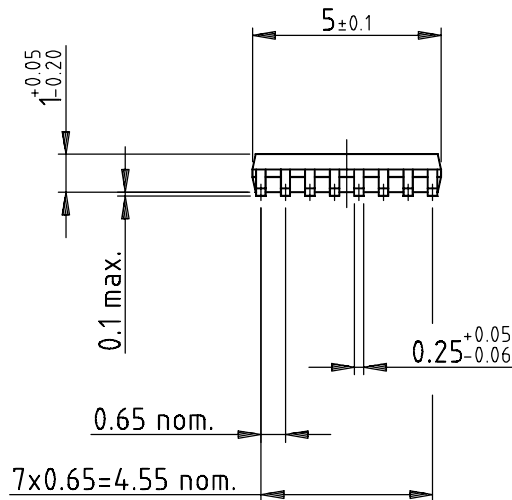
| Extended Type Number | Package | Remarks |
|----------------------|---------|---------|
| T0780-6C | SSOP16 | - |

Package Information

Package: SSOP16
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 Dimensions in mm



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