

BTS7203H

2.3 GHz – 2.7 GHz RX Analog Front-End IC

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Product data sheet

1 General description

The BTS7203H is a dual channel Receiver Analog Front-End module (RX AFE) available in a leadframe HVQFN package.

The BTS7203H is designed for 5G mMIMO Infrastructure applications. The BTS7203H includes 2 independent receive channels with a low noise amplifier (LNA) with variable gain control. Each channel also has a switch for high-power TX signals.

The device is matched to 50 Ω and integrates harmonic and out-of-band filtering which minimizes the layout area in the application.

2 Features and benefits

- Operating frequency range 2.3 GHz - 2.7 GHz
- 150 mW power dissipation per channel
- RX power gain 37 dB
- RX power gain attenuation step 6 dB
- Typical Noise Figure 1.3 dB
- High TX power handling 37 dBm (9 dB PAPR)
- Single-ended input /output RF ports matched to 50 Ω
- Fast switching time between operation modes
- ESD protection on all pins
- Leadframe HVQFN package 5.0 mm x 5.0 mm x 0.85 mm with 32 pins

3 Applications

- 5G mMIMO
- Wireless Infrastructure



4 Quick reference data

Table 1.

$f = 2.5\text{ GHz}$; $V_{CC} = 3.3\text{ V}$, $T_{case} = 50\text{ °C}$; input and output $50\text{ }\Omega$; unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
High gain RX mode; signal from ANT to RX_OUT						
I_{CC}	supply current		-	46	51	mA
G_p	power gain		35	36.7	38	dB
NF	noise figure		-	1.3	1.4	dB
$IP3_o$	output third-order intercept point	2-tones at 10 MHz distance, $P_i = -40\text{ dBm}$ each tone	22.5	25	-	dBm
$P_{i(1dB)}$	input power at 1 dB gain compression		-25	-23	-	dBm
Low gain RX mode; signal from ANT to RX_OUT						
I_{CC}	supply current		-	46	51	mA
G_p	power gain		29	31.2	32.5	dB
α_{step}	attenuation step		5.2	5.5	6.3	dB
NF	noise figure		-	1.5	1.7	dB
$IP3_o$	output third-order intercept point	2-tones at 10 MHz distance, $P_i = -40\text{ dBm}$ each tone	22	24	-	dBm
$P_{i(1dB)}$	input power at 1 dB gain compression		-19	-17	-	dBm
TX mode; signal from ANT to TERM						
I_{CC}	supply current		-	5.9	6.5	mA
$P_{i(AV)TX}$	maximum average input power in TX mode ^[1]	applied on ANT pin, 10 years, $T_{case(AV)} = 99\text{ °C}$ ^[2]	34	-	-	dBm
		applied on ANT pin, 10 seconds, $T_{case} = 105\text{ °C}$ ^[3]	37	-	-	dBm

[1] CP-OFDM with 9 dB PAPR, BW = 100 MHz, QPSK modulated, SCS = 60 kHz, fully allocated

[2] $T_{case(AV)}$ is an equivalent temperature that yields the same aging over life time as the expected temperature profile which includes temperatures up to 105 °C

[3] See [Table 7](#)

5 Ordering information

Table 2.

Type number	Orderable part number	Package		
		Name	Description	Version
BTS7203H	BTS7203HHP	HVQFN32	Plastic thermal enhanced very thin quad flat package; no leads; 32 terminals; body 5.0 mm x 5.0 mm x 0.85 mm	SOT617-3

6 Marking

Table 3.

Type number	Marking code
BTS7203H	7203H

7 Functional diagram

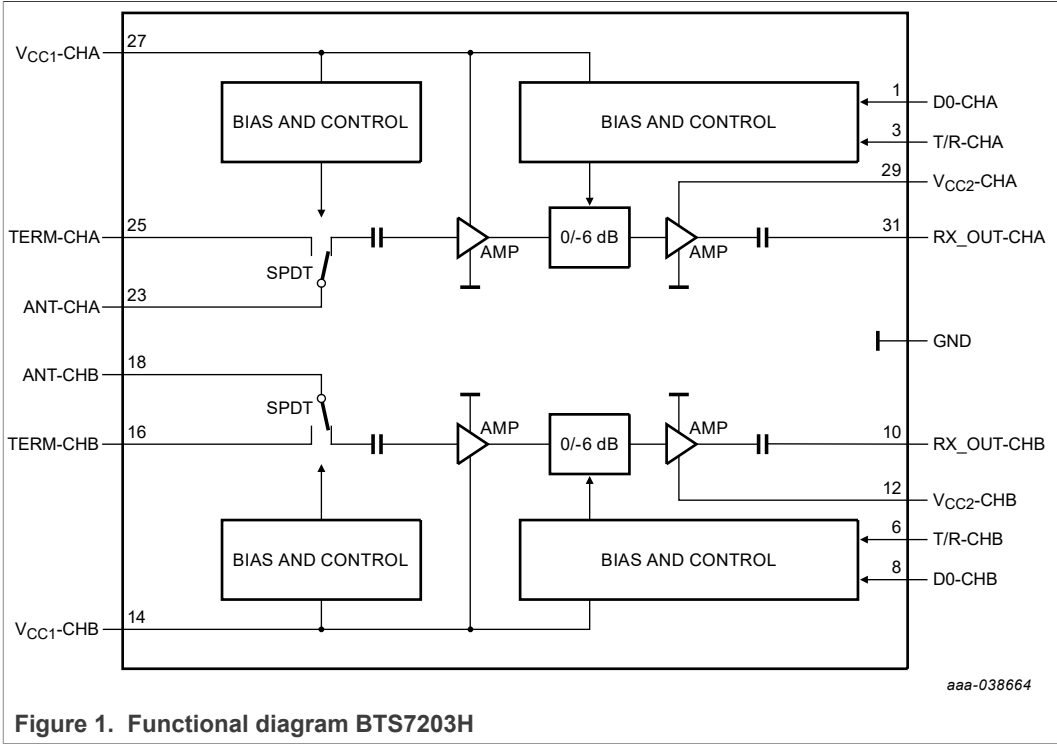
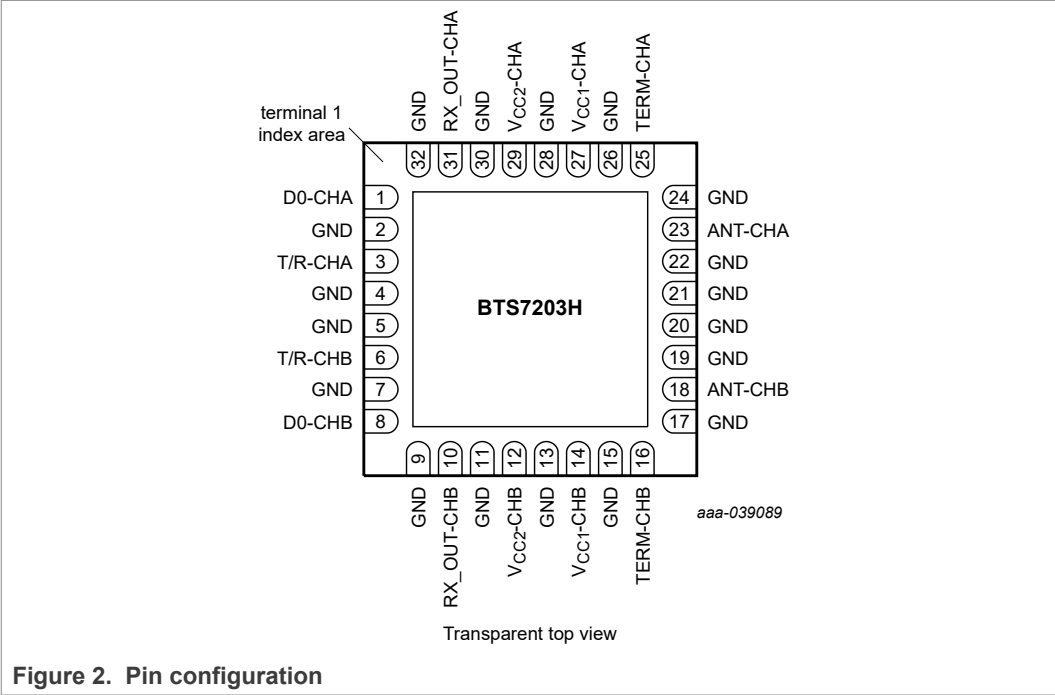


Figure 1. Functional diagram BTS7203H

8 Pinning information

8.1 Pin diagram



8.2 Pin description

Table 4. Pin description

Pin	Symbol	Description
1	D0-CHA	Select attenuation for channel A
2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, and 32	GND	Ground reference
3	T/R-CHA	Select RX mode / TX mode for channel A
6	T/R-CHB	Select RX mode / TX mode for channel B
8	D0-CHB	Select attenuation for channel B
10	RX_OUT-CHB	RF output for channel B (50 Ω, single ended)
12, 14	V _{CC} -CHB	Supply voltage for channel B
16	TERM-CHB	Termination RF output for channel B (50 Ω, single ended, DC at 0 V)
18	ANT-CHB	RF input for channel B (50 Ω, single ended, DC at 0 V)
23	ANT-CHA	RF input for channel A (50 Ω, single ended, DC at 0 V)
25	TERM-CHA	Termination RF output for channel A (50 Ω, single ended, DC at 0 V)
27, 29	V _{CC} -CHA	Supply voltage for channel A
31	RX_OUT-CHA	RF output for channel A (50 Ω, single ended)
Die paddle	GND	Ground reference

9 Functional description

9.1 Modes of operation

Table 5. Modes of operation for channel A

T/R-CHA	D0-CHA	Mode of Operation
Low	Low	RX High gain mode for channel A
Low	High	RX 6 dB reduced-gain mode for channel A
High	Low/High	TX mode for channel A

Table 6. Modes of operation for channel B

T/R-CHB	D0-CHB	Mode of Operation
Low	Low	RX High gain mode for channel B
Low	High	RX 6 dB reduced-gain mode for channel B
High	Low/High	TX mode for channel B

10 Limiting values

Table 7.

In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 60134)

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Max	Unit
V_{CC}	supply voltage		-0.3	6	V
$V_{DC(ctr_pins)}$	DC voltage on control pins	applied on control pins D0 and T/R	-0.3	3.45	V
$V_{DC(RF_pins)}$	DC voltage on RF pins	applied on both ANT, and both TERM, RF pins	0	0	V
$P_{I(AV)RX}$	average input power in RX mode ^[1]	applied on ANT pin, 24 hours, $T_{case} = 105\text{ °C}$	-	11	dBm
$P_{I(AV)TX}$	average input power in TX mode ^[1]	applied on ANT pin, 10 seconds, $T_{case} = 105\text{ °C}$	-	39	dBm
T_{stg}	storage temperature		-40	150	°C
T_j	junction temperature		-	150	°C
V_{ESD}	electrostatic discharge voltage	Human Body Model (HBM) according to ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC standard JS-001	-2	2	kV
		Charged Device Model (CDM) according to ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC standard JS-002	-500	500	V

[1] CP-OFDM with 9 dB PAPR, BW = 100 MHz, QPSK modulated, SCS = 60 kHz, fully allocated

11 Recommended operating conditions

Table 8.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
f_{oper}	operating frequency		2.3	-	2.7	GHz
Z_0	characteristic impedance		-	50	-	Ω
V_{CC}	supply voltage	on pins V_{CC1} , and V_{CC2} ^[1]	3.15	3.3	3.45	V
V_{IH}	HIGH-level input voltage	at pins D0, and T/R	1.2	1.8	2.5	V
V_{IL}	LOW-level input voltage	at pins D0, and T/R	0	-	0.6	V
T_{case}	case temperature	exposed die paddle at package bottom	-40	50	105	°C

[1] channel A and channel B can be used independently

12 Thermal characteristics

Table 9.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
$R_{th(j-case)}$	channel-junction to case thermal resistance	TX mode	-	49	-	K/W
		RX mode	-	55	-	K/W

13 Characteristics

Table 10.

$f = 2.5 \text{ GHz}$; $V_{CC} = 3.3 \text{ V}$, $T_{case} = 50 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$; input and output $50 \text{ }\Omega$; unless otherwise specified.

Characteristics apply to each channel A and B separately.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
High gain RX mode; signal from ANT to RX_OUT						
I_{CC}	supply current		-	46	51	mA
G_p	power gain		35	36.7	38	dB
		$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$, $T_{case} = -40 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C to } 105 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$	34	-	40	dB
G_{flat}	gain flatness	in 200 MHz band	-	0.25	0.8	dB
NF	noise figure		-	1.3	1.4	dB
		$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$, $T_{case} = -40 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C to } 105 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$	-	-	1.7	dB
RL_i	input return loss	$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$	16	20	-	dB
RL_o	output return loss	$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$	13	16	-	dB
$RL_{align(RX-TX)}$	return loss alignment RX-TX	$R_{TERM} = 50 \text{ }\Omega$, $f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$	15	-	-	dB
$\alpha_{isol(ch-ch)}$	isolation channel to channel	$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$ ^[1]	42	45	-	dB
$G_{rel(f2/f0)}$	relative gain (G_{f2}/G_{f0})	$f_0 = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$, $f_2 = 2 \times f_0$	-	-39	-25	dB
$G_{rel(f3/f0)}$	relative gain (G_{f3}/G_{f0})	$f_0 = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$, $f_3 = 3 \times f_0$	-	-44	-43	dB
α_{2Ho}	output second harmonic level	$P_o = 0 \text{ dBm}$	-	-50	-47	dBm
α_{3Ho}	output third harmonic level	$P_o = 0 \text{ dBm}$	-	-74	-70	dBm
IP3 _o	output third-order intercept point	2-tones at 10 MHz distance, $P_i = -40 \text{ dBm}$ each tone	22.5	25	-	dBm
		2-tones at 10 MHz distance, $P_i = -40 \text{ dBm}$ each tone, $f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$, $T_{case} = -40 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C to } 105 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$	21	-	-	dBm
$P_{i(1dB)}$	input power at 1 dB gain compression		-25	-23	-	dBm
K	stability factor	1 MHz to 20 GHz, $T_{case} = -40 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C to } 105 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$	1	-	-	-
Low gain RX mode; signal from ANT to RX_OUT						
I_{CC}	supply current		-	46	51	mA
G_p	power gain		29	31.2	32.5	dB
		$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$, $T_{case} = -40 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C to } 105 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$	28	-	34	dB
α_{step}	attenuation step		5.2	5.5	6.3	dB
G_{flat}	gain flatness	in 200 MHz band	-	0.25	0.8	dB
NF	noise figure		-	1.5	1.7	dB
		$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$, $T_{case} = -40 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C to } 105 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$	-	-	2	dB
RL_i	input return loss	$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$	16	20	-	dB
RL_o	output return loss	$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$	13	16	-	dB
$RL_{align(RX-TX)}$	return loss alignment RX-TX	$R_{TERM} = 50 \text{ }\Omega$, $f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$	15	-	-	dB

Table 10. ...continued

$f = 2.5 \text{ GHz}$; $V_{CC} = 3.3 \text{ V}$, $T_{case} = 50 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$; input and output $50 \text{ } \Omega$; unless otherwise specified.

Characteristics apply to each channel A and B separately.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
$\alpha_{isol(ch-ch)}$	isolation channel to channel	$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$ ^[1]	45	47	-	dB
$G_{rel}(f_2/f_0)$	relative gain (G_{f_2}/G_{f_0})	$f_0 = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$, $f_2 = 2 \times f_0$	-	-37	-25	dB
$G_{rel}(f_3/f_0)$	relative gain (G_{f_3}/G_{f_0})	$f_0 = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$, $f_3 = 3 \times f_0$	-	-46	-44	dB
α_{2Ho}	output second harmonic level	$P_o = 0 \text{ dBm}$	-	-51	-48	dBm
α_{3Ho}	output third harmonic level	$P_o = 0 \text{ dBm}$	-	-72	-68	dBm
IP _{3o}	output third-order intercept point	2-tones at 10 MHz distance, $P_i = -40 \text{ dBm}$ each tone	22	24	-	dBm
		2-tones at 10 MHz distance, $P_i = -40 \text{ dBm}$ each tone, $f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$, $T_{case} = -40 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C to } 105 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$	21	-	-	dBm
$P_{I(1dB)}$	input power at 1 dB gain compression		-19	-17	-	dBm
K	stability factor	1 MHz to 20 GHz, $T_{case} = -40 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C to } 105 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$	1	-	-	-
TX mode; signal from ANT to TERM						
I_{cc}	supply current		-	5.9	6.5	mA
IL	insertion loss	from ANT to TERM	-	0.55	0.6	dB
RL _i	input return loss	$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$	19	23	-	dB
RL _o	output return loss	$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$	17.5	20	-	dB
$\alpha_{isol(ANT-RX)}$	isolation between ANT to RX_OUT	$f = 2.3 \text{ GHz to } 2.7 \text{ GHz}$	55	-	-	dB
$P_{I(AV)TX}$	Maximum average input power in TX mode ^[2]	applied on ANT pin, lifetime (10 yrs), $T_{case(AV)} = 99 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ^[3]	34	-	-	dBm
Switching between modes						
$t_{sw(\alpha)RX}$	switching time RX attenuation		-	-	85	ns
$t_{sw(RX-TX)}$	switching from RX to TX	for the power transient at RX_OUT	-	-	100	ns
$t_{sw(TX-RX)}$	switching from TX to RX		-	-	1	μs

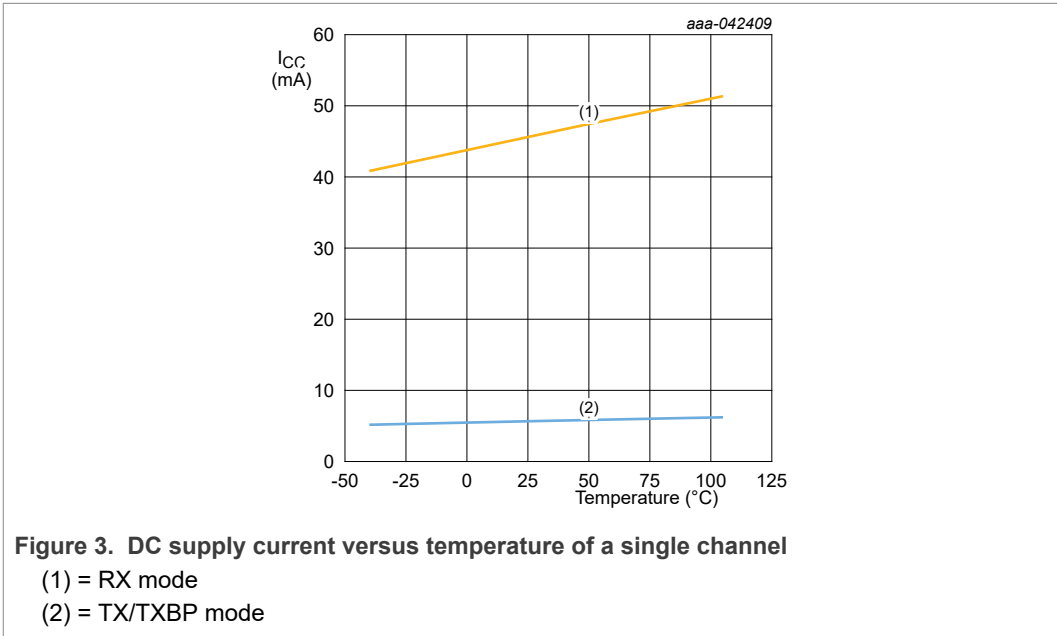
[1] G_p [ANT-CHA, RX_OUT-CHA] / G_p [ANT-CHB, RX_OUT-CHA]

[2] CP-OFDM with 9 dB PAPR, BW = 100 MHz, QPSK modulated, SCS = 60 kHz, fully allocated

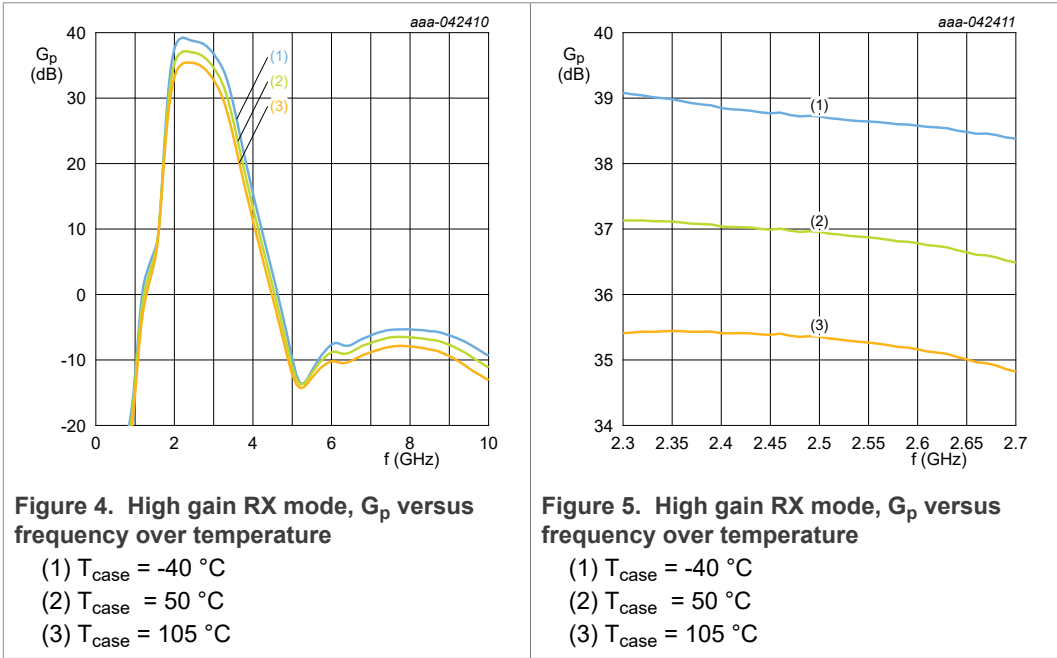
[3] $T_{case(AV)}$ is an equivalent temperature that yields the same aging over life time as the expected temperature profile which includes temperatures up to $105 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

14 Graphs

14.1 All modes



14.2 High gain RX mode



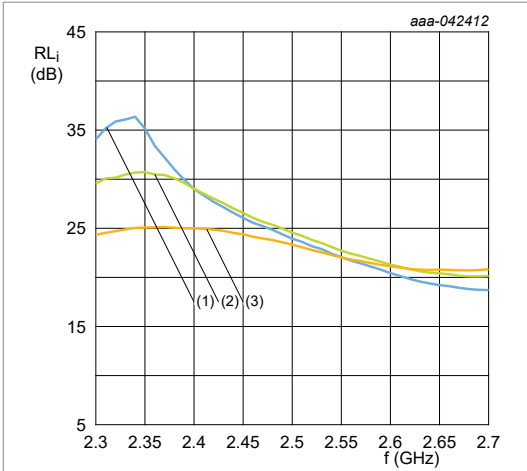


Figure 6. High gain RX mode, RL_i versus frequency over temperature
(1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
(2) $T_{case} = 50\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
(3) $T_{case} = 105\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

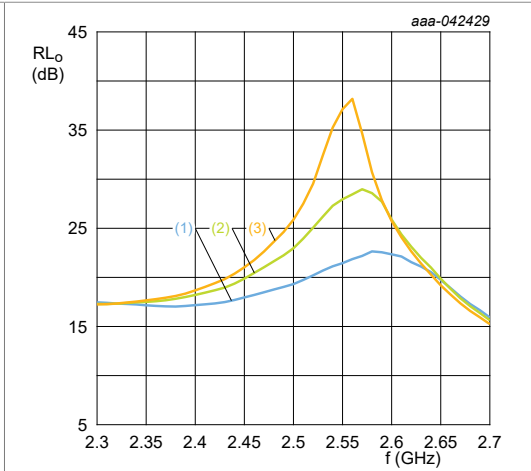


Figure 7. High gain RX mode, RL_o versus frequency over temperature
(1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
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(3) $T_{case} = 105\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

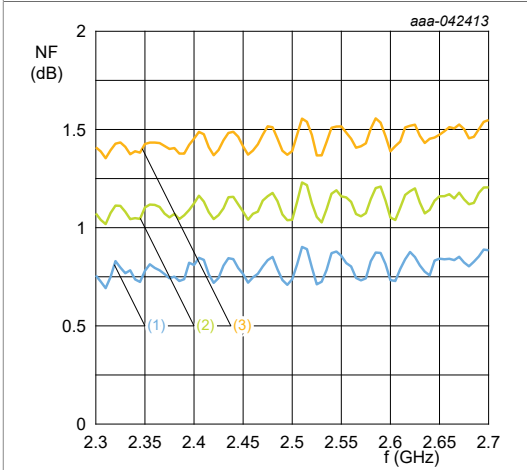


Figure 8. High gain RX mode, NF versus frequency over temperature
(1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
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(3) $T_{case} = 105\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

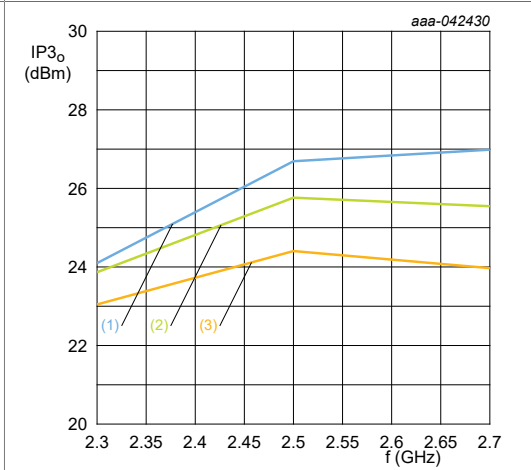
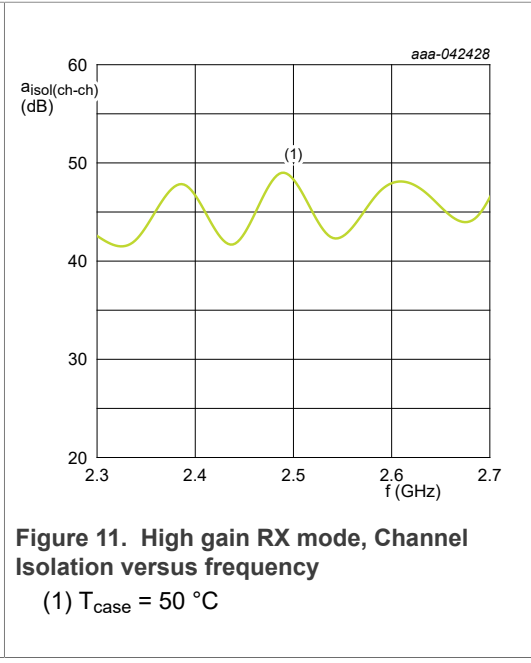
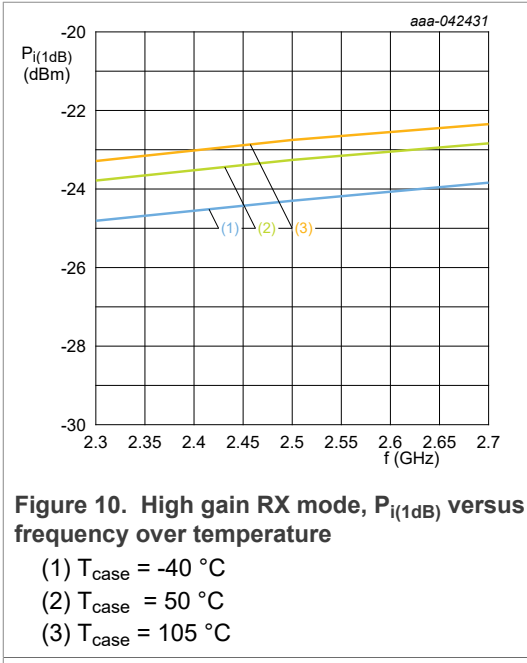
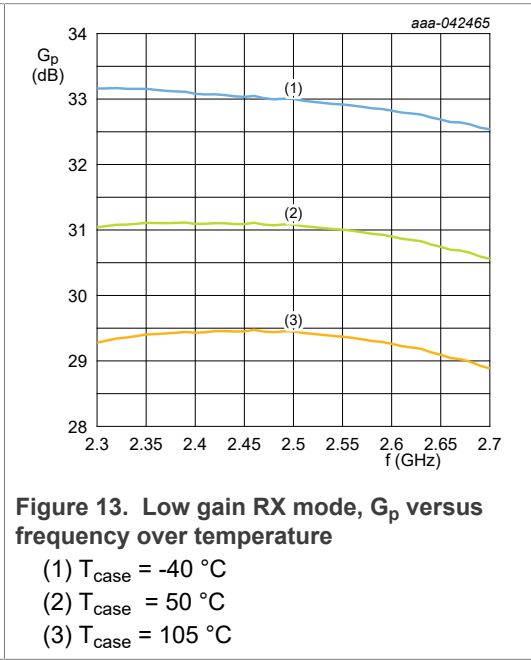
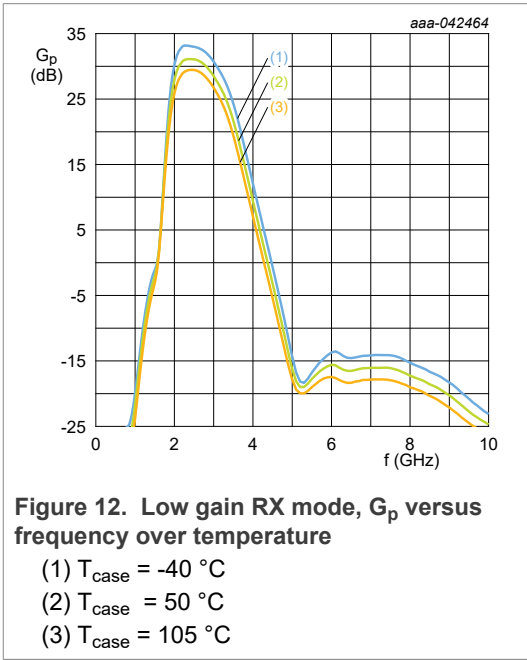


Figure 9. High gain RX mode, $IP3_o$ versus frequency over temperature
(1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
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(3) $T_{case} = 105\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$



14.3 Low gain RX mode



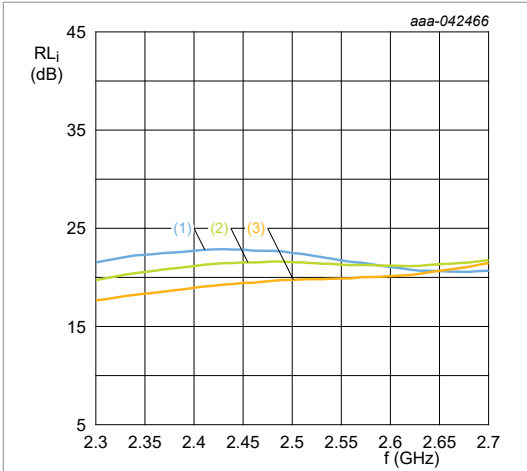


Figure 14. Low gain RX mode, RL_i versus frequency over temperature
(1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
(2) $T_{case} = 50\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
(3) $T_{case} = 105\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

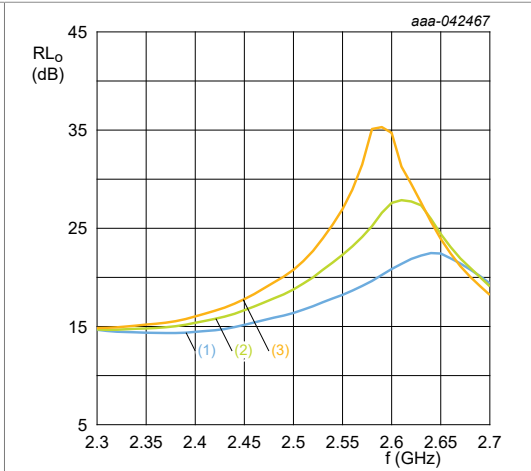


Figure 15. Low gain RX mode, RL_o versus frequency over temperature
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(2) $T_{case} = 50\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
(3) $T_{case} = 105\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

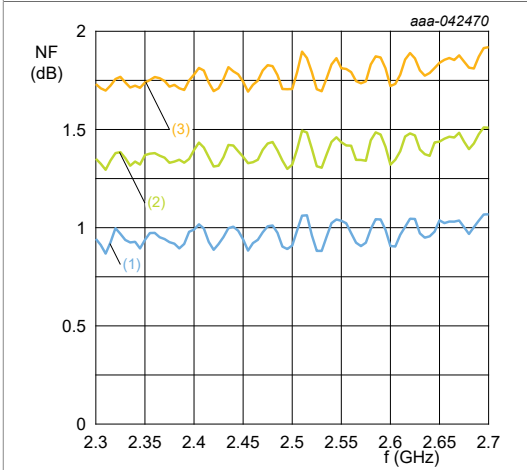


Figure 16. Low gain RX mode, NF versus frequency over temperature
(1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
(2) $T_{case} = 50\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
(3) $T_{case} = 105\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$

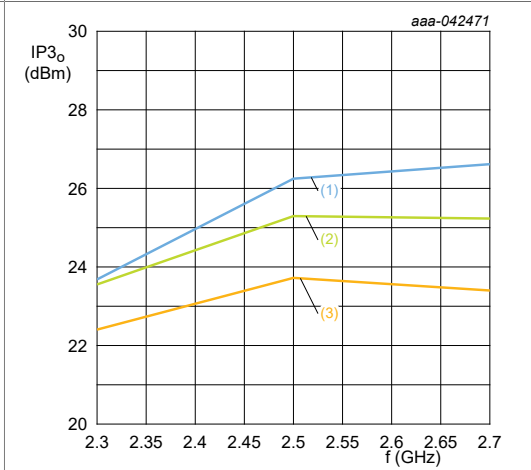
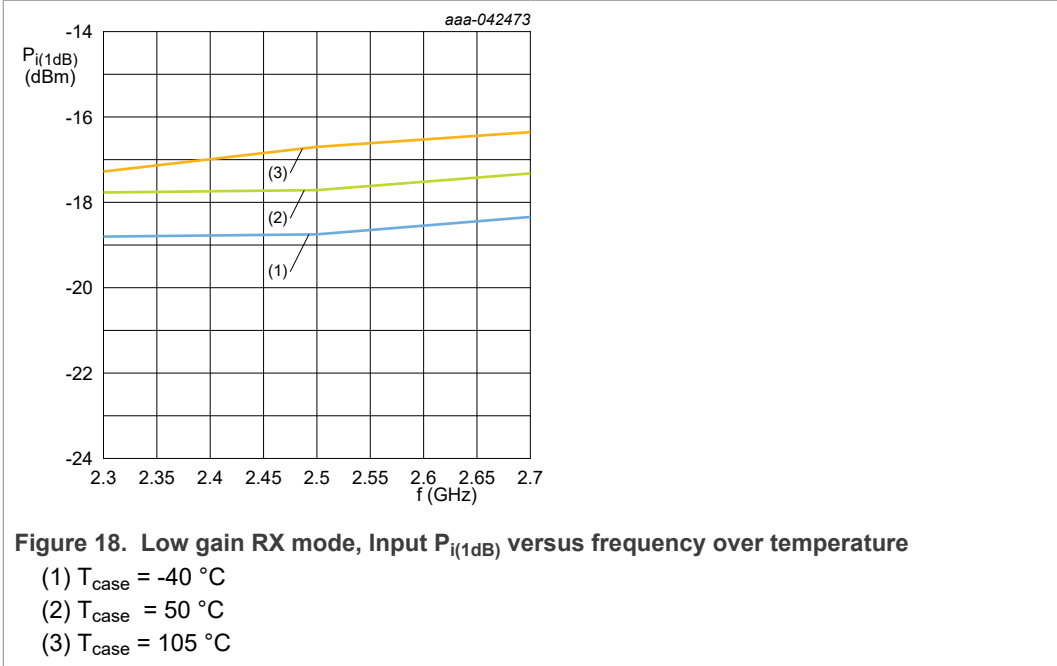
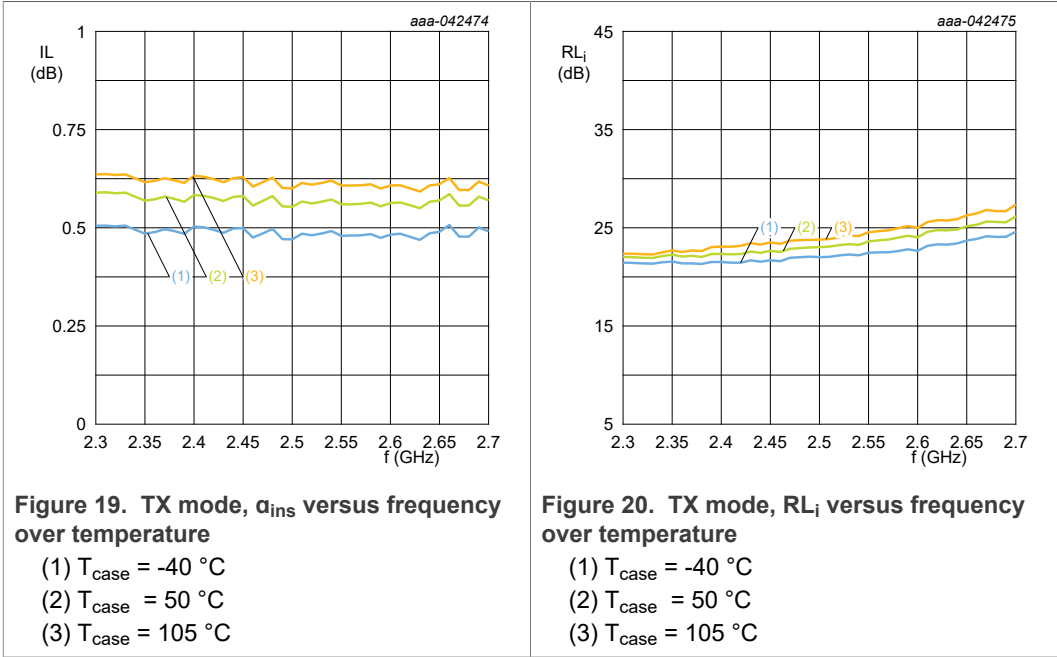
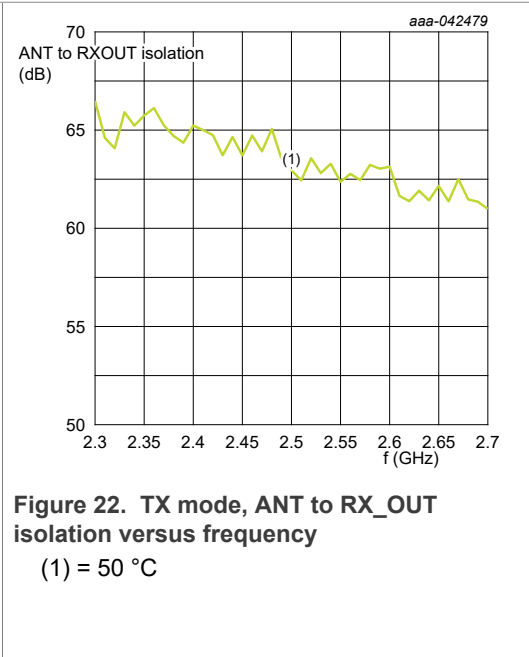
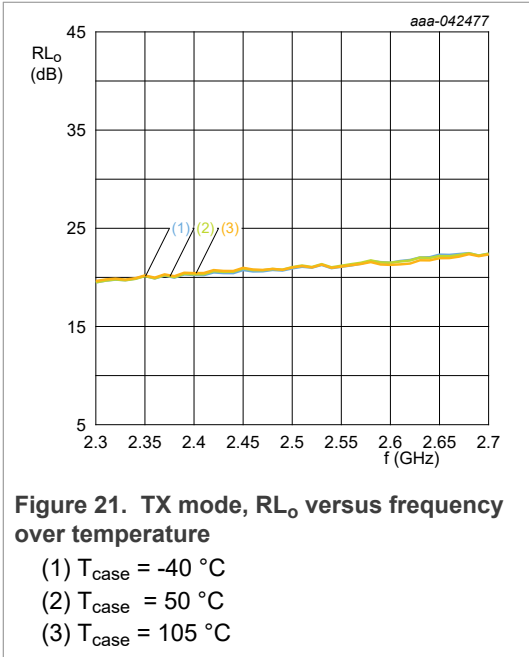


Figure 17. Low gain RX mode, $IP3_o$ versus frequency over temperature
(1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
(2) $T_{case} = 50\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
(3) $T_{case} = 105\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$



14.4 TX mode





15 Application information

Table 11. Application schematic

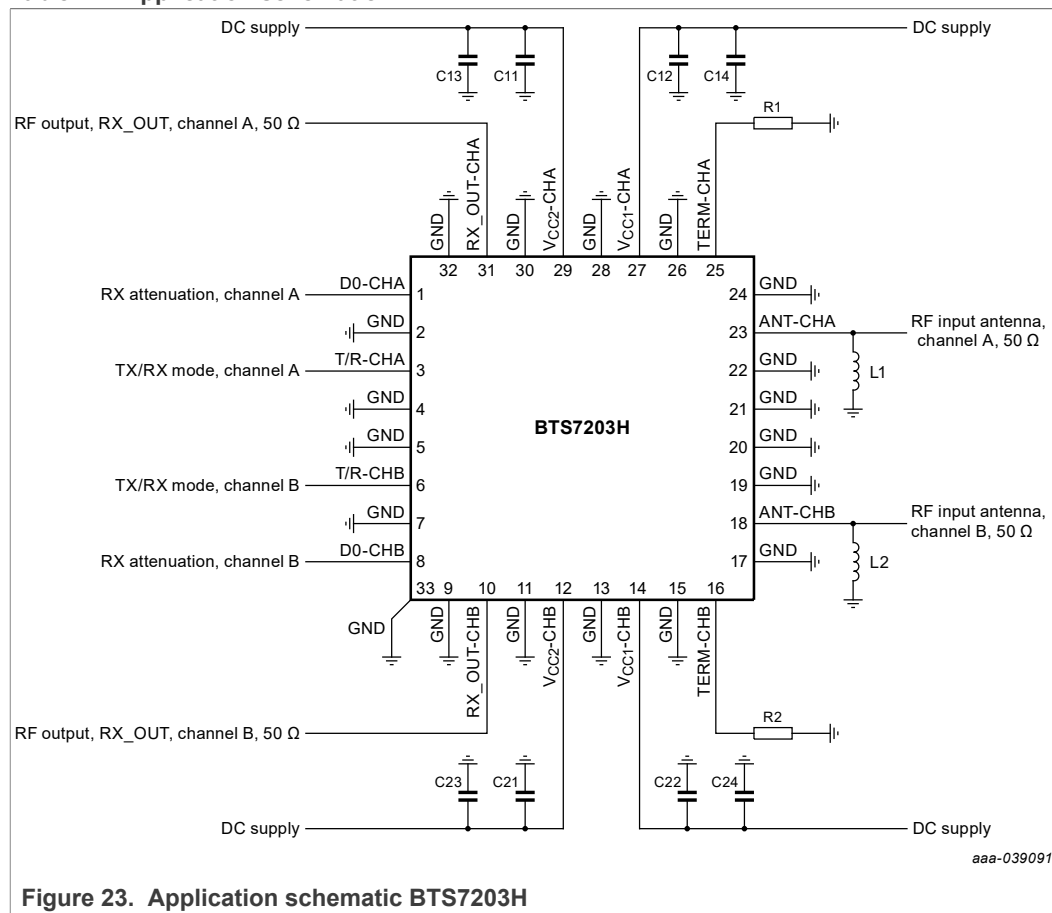


Table 12. List of components

Component	Description	Value	amount	Remarks
R1, and R2	load resistor	50 Ω , 50 W	2	must be able to withstand 34 dBm average power over lifetime
C11, C12, C21, and C22	capacitor	10 nF	4	as close as possible, less than 10 mm from IC
C13, C14, C23, and C24	capacitor	1 μ F	4	as close as possible, less than 10 mm from IC
L1, and L2	inductor	19 nH	2	high-Q inductor, close to IC

16 Package outline

HVQFN32: plastic thermal enhanced very thin quad flat package; no leads; 32 terminals; body 5 x 5 x 0.85 mm

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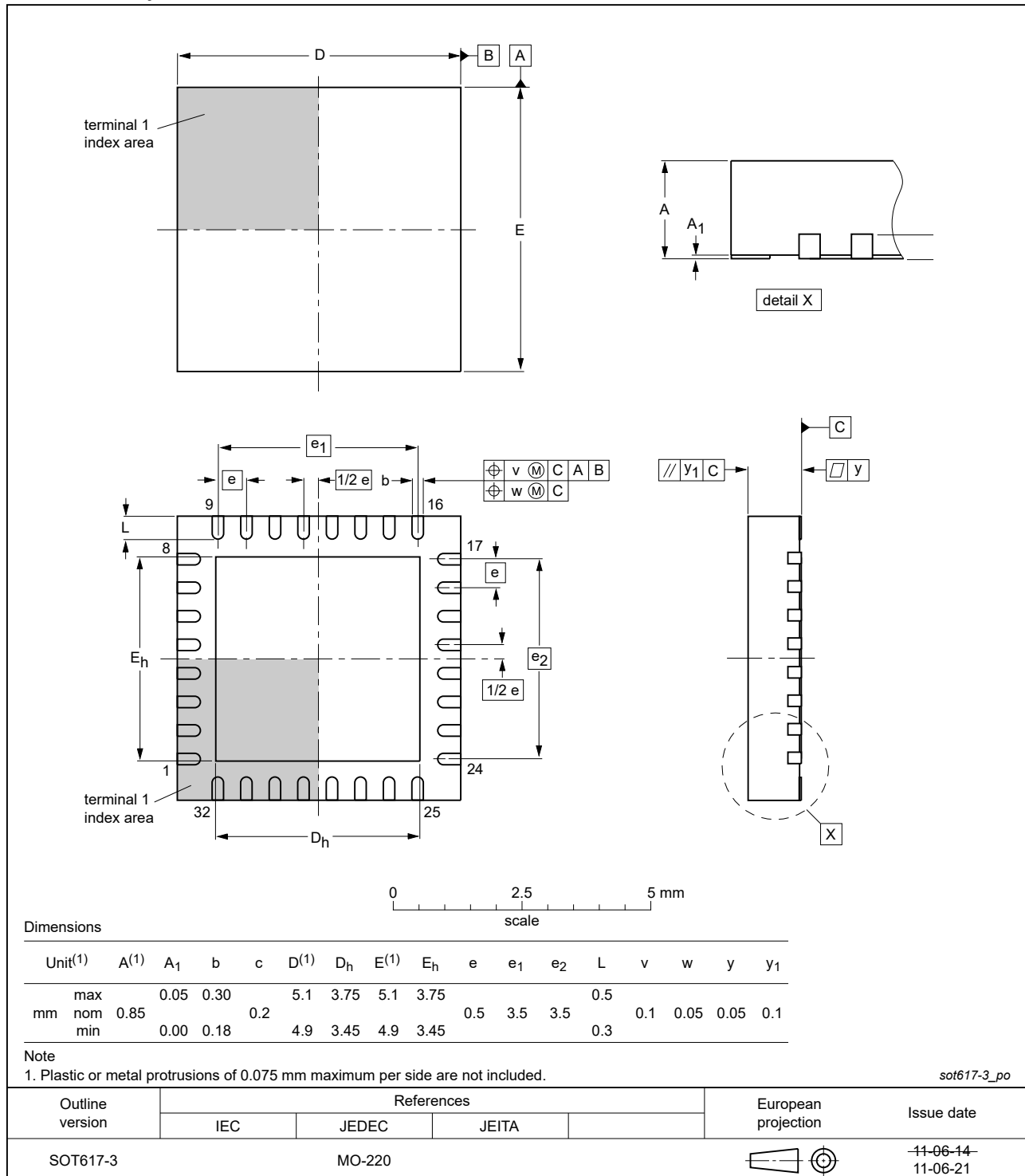


Figure 24. HVQFN32, SOT617-3

16.1 Footprint and solder information

NXP recommends by default to apply the soldering and footprint guidelines as are released in POD SOT617-3.

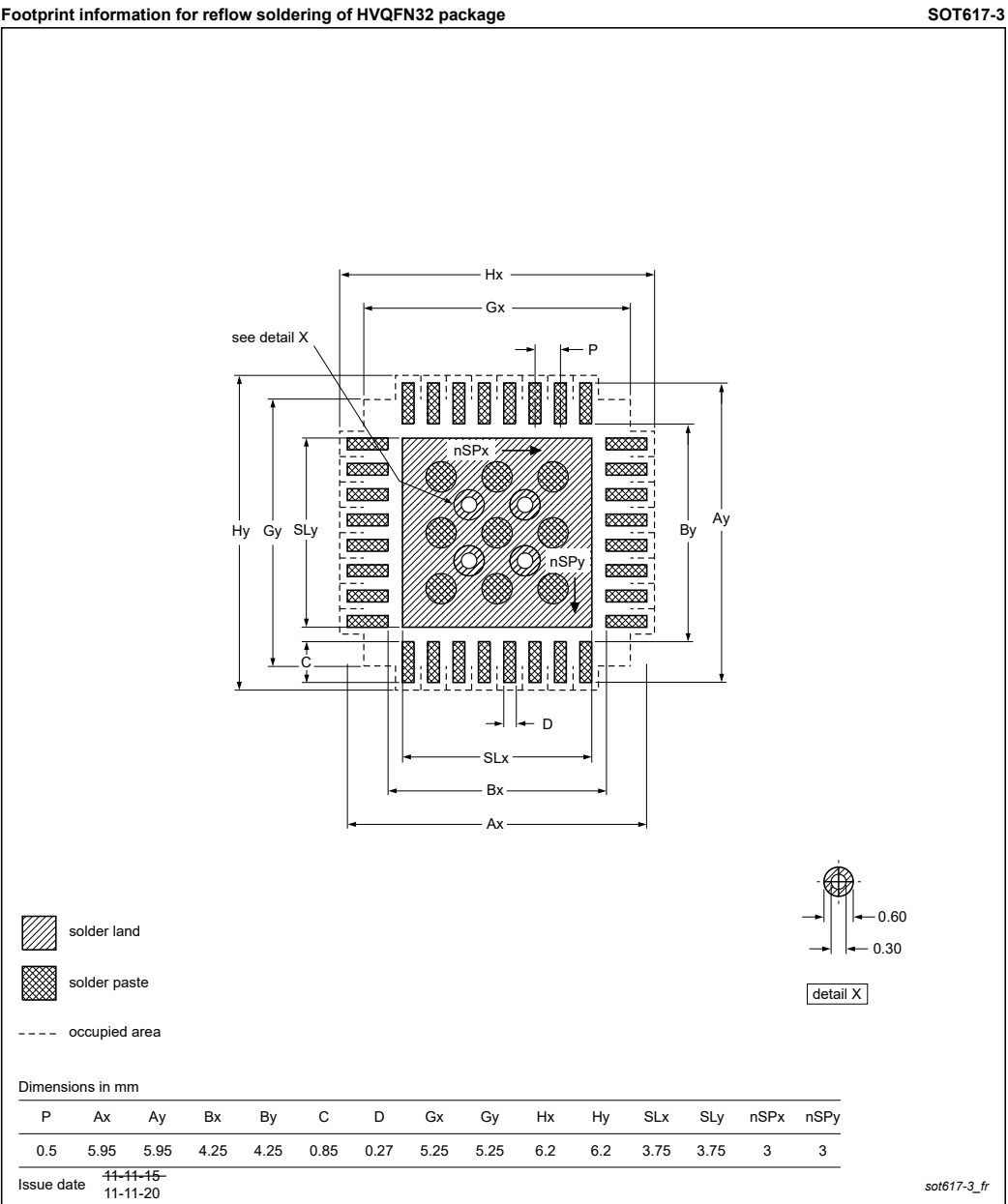


Figure 25. Footprint information

17 Handling information

CAUTION



This device is sensitive to ElectroStatic Discharge (ESD). Observe precautions for handling electrostatic sensitive devices. Such precautions are described in the *ANSI/ESD S20.20*, *IEC/ST 61340-5*, *JESD625-A* or equivalent standards.

18 Abbreviations

Table 13.

Acronym	Description
AMP	amplifier
ANT	antenna
D0	data line 0
ESD	electrostatic discharge
HVQFN	heat sink very thin quad flat no-leads
LNA	low noise amplifier
mMIMO	massive multiple-input multiple-output
CP-OFDM	cyclic prefix orthogonal frequency division multiplexing
PAPR	peak to average power ratio
QPSK	quadrature phase shift keying
SCS	sub carrier spacing
SPDT	single pull double throw
TERM	termination
T/R	transmit/receive mode

19 Revision history

Table 14.

Document ID	Release date	Data sheet status	Change notice	Supersedes
BTS7203H v.7.1	20211012	Product data sheet	-	BTS7203H v.7
modification	• added frequency setting to the G_p condition on both RX gain modes			
BTS7203H v.7	20211008	Product data sheet	-	BTS7203H v.6.1
modification	- changed status to Public Product data sheet - changed footnote at $\alpha_{isol(ch-ch)}$ for both RX modes - corrected the orderable part number			
BTS7203H v.6.1	20210625	Preliminary data sheet	-	BTS7203H v.6
modification	• added $P_{i(AV)TX}$ parameter to the TX Characteristics table			

Table 14. ...continued

Document ID	Release date	Data sheet status	Change notice	Supersedes
BTS7203H v.6	20210615	Preliminary data sheet	-	BTS7203H v.5
modification	added Graphics to the data sheet			
BTS7203H v.5	20210528	Preliminary data sheet	-	BTS7203H v.4
modification	- changed Min, Max values on some parameters - split Thermal resistance in a value for TX mode, and a value for RX mode - added marking info - changed status to Preliminary			
BTS7203H v.4	20210430	Objective data sheet	-	BTS7203H v.3.1
modification	- changed some values on characteristics - removed condition on lifetime, and footnote on parameter $P_{i(AV)TX}$ at Limiting values			
BTS7203H v.3.1	20210317	Objective data sheet	-	BTS7203H v.3
modification	- changed T_{case} from 50 °C to 105 °C for $P_{i(AV)RX}$ at Limiting values - added footnote to parameter $P_{i(AV)TX}$ at Limiting values			
BTS7203H v.3	20210311	Objective data sheet	-	BTS7203H v.2
modification	- removed the exception on the ESD conditions on the ANT pins in Limiting values table - adapted the Modes of operation tables - adapted some characteristics values - removed and adapted Switching mode conditions			
BTS7203H v.2	20210108	Objective data sheet	-	BTS7203H v.1
modification	changed Minimum, Typical, and Maximum values on many parameters			
BTS7203H v.1	20200903	Objective data sheet	-	-

20 Legal information

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