

#### 5.15GHz TO 5.85GHz 802.11a/n FRONT END MODULE

FRONT END MIDDULE

Package Style: QFN, 16-pin, 3.0 mmx3.0 mmx0.5 mm



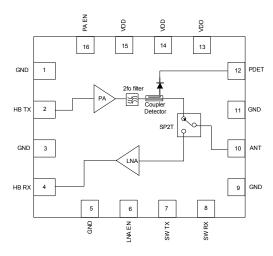


#### **Features**

- Single Supply Voltage 3.0 V to 4.8 V
- Integrated 5 GHz Amplifier, LNA, and SPT2T TX/RX Switch
- P<sub>OUT</sub>=15.5dBm, 11a, OFDM at 2.5% EVM
- Low Height Package, Suited for SiP and CoB Designs

#### **Applications**

- Cellular handsets
- Mobile devices
- Tablets
- Consumer electronics
- Gaming
- Netbooks/Notebooks
- TV/monitors/video



Functional Block Diagram

#### **Product Description**

The RF5506 provides a complete integrated solution in a single Front-End Module (FEM) for WiFi 802.11a systems. The ultra small form factor and integrated matching minimizes the layout in the customer's application and greatly reduces the number of external components to only one bypass capacitor for supply decoupling. This simplifies the total Front End solution by reducing the bill of materials, system footprint, and manufacturability cost. The RF5506 integrates Power Amplifier (PA), Low Noise Amplifier (LNA), and a power detector coupler for improved accuracy. The device is provided in a 3mmx3mmx0.5mm, 16-pin package. This module meets or exceeds the RF Front End needs of IEEE 802.11a WiFi RF systems.

#### **Ordering Information**

RF5506SB Standard 5 Piece Bag
RF5506 Standard 25 Piece Bag
RF5506SR Standard 100 Piece Bag
RF5506TR7 Standard 2500 Piece Reel

RF5506PCK-410 Fully Assembled Evaluation Board and 5 Loose Sample

**Pieces** 

#### **Optimum Technology Matching® Applied**

☐ GaAs HBT	☐ SiGe BiCMOS	▼ GaAs pHEMT	☐ GaN HEMT
☐ GaAs MESFET	☐ Si BiCMOS	☐ Si CMOS	
☐ InGaP HBT	☐ SiGe HBT	☐ Si BJT	

## **RF5506**



#### **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Parameter	Rating	Unit
DC Supply Voltage	5.5	V <sub>DC</sub>
Maximum TX and RX Input Power (No Damage)	5	dBm
Operating Temperature	-10 to +70	°C
Extreme Operating Temperature	-30 to +85	°C
Storage Temperature	-40 to 150	°C
Moisture Sensitivity	MSL2	



#### Caution! ESD sensitive device.

Exceeding any one or a combination of the Absolute Maximum Rating conditions may cause permanent damage to the device. Extended application of Absolute Maximum Rating conditions to the device may reduce device reliability. Specified typical performance or functional operation of the device under Absolute Maximum Rating conditions is not implied.

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Parameter	Specification			Unit	Condition
	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Condition
Transmit Parameters					Nominal conditions: T=25°C; Vdd=3.3V; PA_EN=3.0V; Freq=5.5GHz; 802.11a 54Mbps; pulsed at 1 to 99% duty cycle unless otherwise noted.
Compliance					IEEE802.11a/n; FCC CFR 15.45, .205, .209
Nominal Operating Frequency Range	5.15		5.85	GHz	
DC Supply Voltage	3.0	3.3	4.8	V	Nominal operating range 3.3 V to 4.2 V
PA Enable Voltage	2.80	3.0	3.6	V	max sink current 3.5 mA
Output Power	14.5	15.5		dBm	Nominal conditions (Temp=25C; Vdd=3.3V; PA_EN=3.0V; Freq=5.5GHz)
	13	14		dBm	Over all conditions (Temp=-10C to +70C; Vdd=3.3V to 4.2V; PA_EN=2.8V to 3.6V; Freq=5.15 GHz to 5.85 GHz)
Operating Current		175	225	mA	P <sub>OUT</sub> =15.5 dBm 802.11a 54Mbps
Supply Leakage Currrent		10	50	μΑ	Vdd=3.6V; Control voltage LOW; PA_EN LOW
Error Vector Magnitude at Rated Power		2.5	3	%	At rated power; 802.11a 54 Mbps
Thermal Resistance		33			V <sub>CC</sub> =6, I <sub>CC</sub> =140mA, T <sub>REF</sub> =85°C
Harmonics					
2fo		-45	-42	dBm	P <sub>OUT</sub> = 15.5dBm with 11a 6Mbps signal.
3fo		-45	-42	dBm	P <sub>OUT</sub> =15.5 dBm with 11a 6Mbps signal.
Gain	28	32	34	dB	Temp=25C; V <sub>DD</sub> =3.3V; PA_EN=3.0V
	26	32	35.5	dB	Over all conditions (Temp=-10C to +70C; Vdd=3.3V to 4.2V; PA_EN=2.8V to 3.6V; Freq=5.15GHz to 5.85GHz)
Gain Variation	-2		2	dB	Over frequency per 100MHz band
Ripple across band	-1		1	dB	Over frequency per 20MHz band
Power Detector Voltage	0.2		1.3	V	P <sub>OUT</sub> =0 to 18dBm; 64 QAM 54Mbps



Parameter	Specification			Unit	Condition
	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Condition
Receive Parameters					Nominal operating conditions: T=25°C, V <sub>DD</sub> =3.3V, PAEN=0V, SWTX=0V, LNA_EN=3.0V, and SWRX=3.0V unless otherwise noted.
Compliance					IEEE802.11a/n; FCC CFR 15.45, .205, .209
Nominal Frequency	5.15		5.85	GHz	
LNA Voltage Supply (V <sub>DD</sub> )	3.0		4.8	V	
Gain	8.5	11	14	dB	Over all nominal operating conditions
Noise Figure		2.8	3.7	dB	Over all nominal operating conditions
Input IP3	+3	+5		dBm	Over all nominal operating conditions
Input 1dB Compression	-5	-2.5		dBm	
Return Loss				•	
Input	3	5		dB	Freq=5.15 GHz to 5.85 GHz; over temp and supply voltage
Output	8	10		dB	Freq=5.15 GHz to 5.85 GHz; over temp and supply voltage
Passband Ripple	-0.5		+0.5	dB	Over 20 MHz band
LNA Current	4.5	10	15	mA	Over all nominal operating conditions
RX to TX Isolation	20			dB	
Control Parameters					
Switch Control Logic HIGH	2.8		4.2	V	SWTX, SWRX
Switch Control Logic LOW			0.2	V	
I <sub>CTRL-H</sub>			30	μΑ	
I <sub>CTRL-L</sub>			30	μА	
PA <sub>EN-H</sub>	2.8	3.0	3.6	V	
PA <sub>EN-L</sub>			0.2	V	
I <sub>PAEN</sub>		2	3.5	mA	
LNA Enable Voltage (LNA_EN)	2.8	3.0	3.6	٧	LNA enabled
/		0	0.2	V	LNA disabled
Switch Speed			500	ns	
ESD		•	*	•	
Human Body Model	400			V	Pin - ground
Charge Device Model	300			V	JESD22-C101

#### **Logic Control Table**

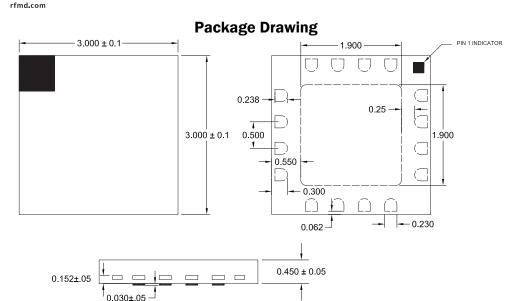
MODE	SWTX	SWRX	PA_EN	LNA_EN
TRANSMIT	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW
RECEIVE	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH

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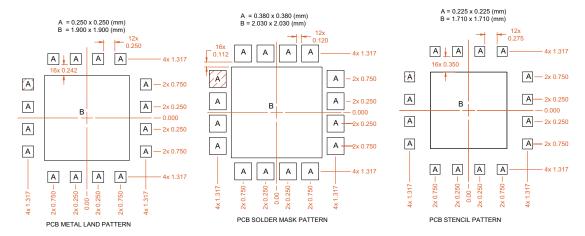
Pin	Function	Description
1	GND	Ground connection.
2	HBTX	Transmit RF input. This port is DC blocked internally and matched to $50\Omega$ .
3	GND	Ground connection.
4	HBRX	Receiver output. This port is DC blocked internally and matched to $50\Omega$ .
5	GND	Ground connection.
6	LNA EN	Bias voltage for the LNA. See logic control table for proper settings.
7	SWTX	Control switch for the transmit mode. See logic control table for proper settings.
8	SWRX	Control switch for the receive mode. See logic control table for proper settings.
9	GND	Ground connection.
10	ANT	Antenna port. Internally DC blocked and matched to $50\Omega$ .
11	GND	Ground connection.
12	PDETECT	Power detector for the transmit path.
13	VDD	Supply voltage for the PA.
14	VDD	Same as pin 13.
15	VDD	Supply voltage for the LNA.
16	PA EN	Bias voltage for the PA. See logic table for proper settings.
Pkg Base	GND	The center metal base of the QFN package provides DC and RF ground as well as heat sink for the front-end module.





NOTES: 1 Shaded Area is Pin 1 Indicator

#### **PCB Pattern**



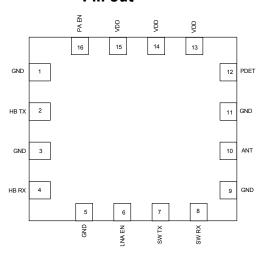
Thermal vias for center slug "B" should be incorporated into the PCB design. The number and size of thermal vias will be depend on the application, the power dissipation, and the electrical requirements. Example of the number and size of vias can be found on the RFMD evaluation board layout.

Shaded area represents Pin 1 location.

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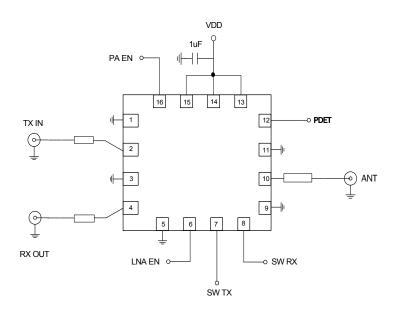


### Pin Out





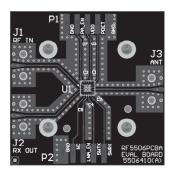
## **Application Schematic**

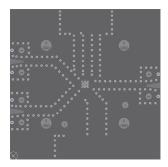




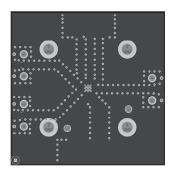
# Evaluation Board Layout Board Size 1.5" x 1.5"

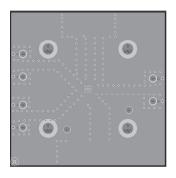
Board Thickness 0.044", Board Material FR-4





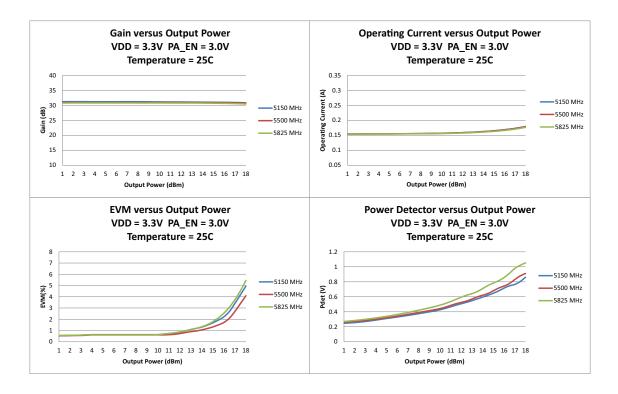
TOP MID-1





MID-2 BOTTOM





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