



Typical Applications

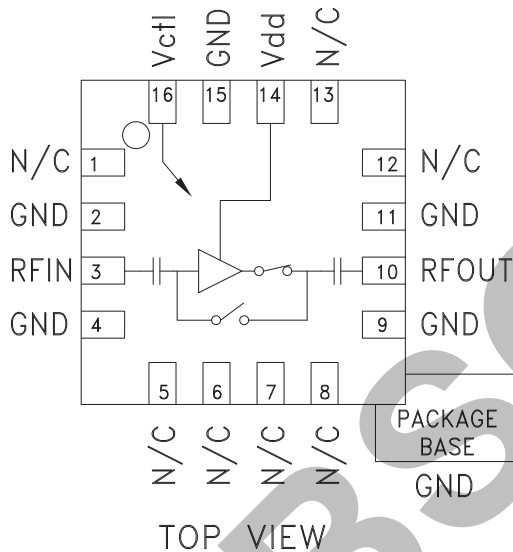
The HMC491LP3 / HMC491LP3E is ideal for:

- Wireless Local Loop (WLL)
- Fixed Wireless Access
- Microwave & VSAT Radios

Features

- Gain: 16 dB
- Noise Figure: 2 dB
- Single Supply: +3V @ 9 mA
- Integrated Bypass Mode
- 50 Ohm Matched Input/Output
- 3 x 3 x 1 mm QFN SMT Package

Functional Diagram



General Description

The HMC491LP3 & HMC491LP3E are versatile, integrated, Low Noise Amplifiers (LNA) featuring a bypass mode intended for 3.4 to 3.8 GHz Fixed Wireless & WLL applications. The amplifier provides 16 dB of gain, 2 dB noise figure and +3 dBm input IP3 while requiring only 9 mA from a +3V supply. Using a single control line, the LNA can be switched into a low loss 2.2 dB bypass mode reducing the current consumption to 20 μ A. A low cost, leadless 3x3 mm QFN surface mount package (LP3) houses the amplifier. No external RF matching components are required.

Electrical Specifications, $T_A = +25^\circ C$, $V_{dd} = +3V$

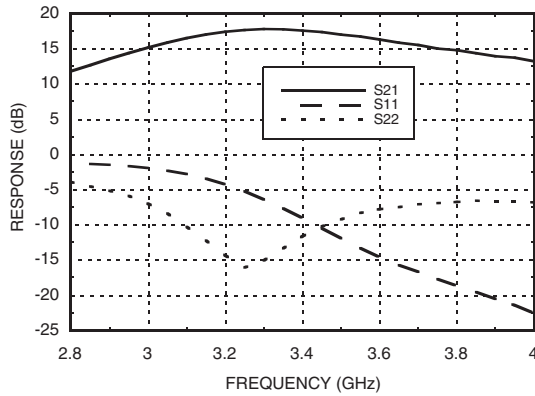
| Parameter | LNA Mode | | | LNA Mode | | | Bypass Mode | | | Units |
|---|-----------|-------|------|-----------|-------|------|-------------|-------|-------|-----------------|
| | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Min. | Typ. | Max. | |
| Frequency Range | 3.4 - 3.6 | | | 3.6 - 3.8 | | | 3.4 - 3.8 | | | GHz |
| Gain | 14.5 | 17 | | 13 | 15.5 | | -2.8 | -2.3 | | dB |
| Gain Variation Over Temperature | | 0.012 | 0.02 | | 0.012 | 0.02 | | 0.004 | 0.008 | dB / $^\circ C$ |
| Noise Figure | | 2.2 | 2.7 | | 2.0 | 2.5 | | -- | -- | dB |
| Input Return Loss | | 12 | | | 17 | | | 18 | | dB |
| Output Return Loss | | 9 | | | 7 | | | 11 | | dB |
| Reverse Isolation | | 34 | | | 33 | | | -- | | dB |
| Input or Output Power for 1dB Compression (P1dB)* | 3 | 6 | | 4 | 7 | | 25 | 28 | | dBm |
| Input Third Order Intercept (IP3) (-20 dBm Input Power per tone, 1 MHz tone spacing) | | 1 | | | 3 | | | 11 | | dBm |
| Supply Current (I _{dd}) | | 9 | | | 9 | | | 0.03 | | mA |

* P1dB for LNA Mode is referenced to RFOUT while P1dB for Bypass Mode is referenced to RFIN.

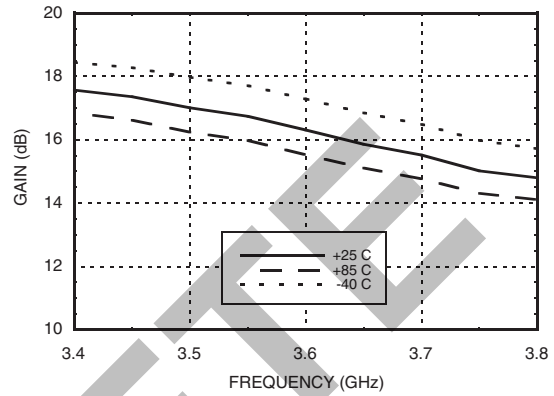


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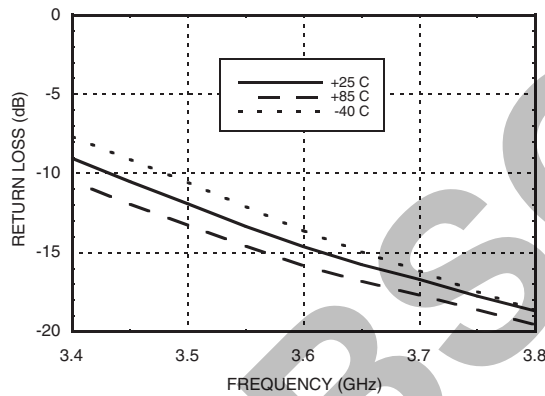
**LNA Mode
Broadband Gain & Return Loss**



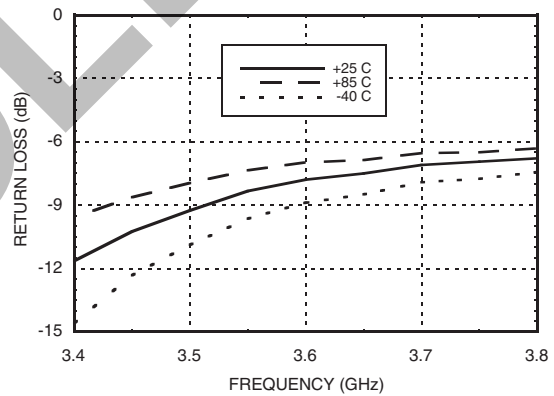
**LNA Mode
Gain vs. Temperature**



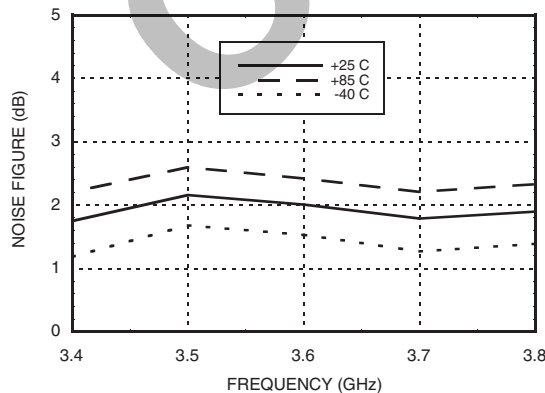
**LNA Mode
Input Return Loss vs. Temperature**



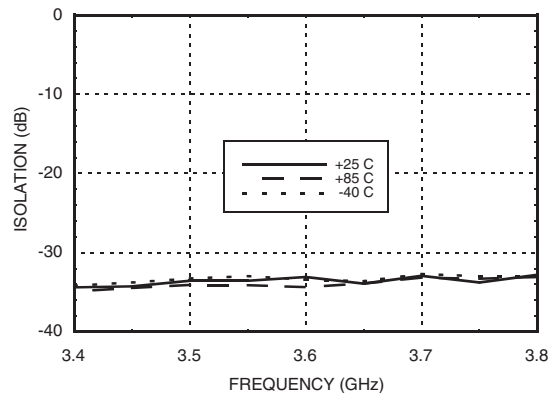
**LNA Mode
Output Return Loss vs. Temperature**



**LNA Mode
Noise Figure vs. Temperature**



**LNA Mode
Reverse Isolation vs. Temperature**



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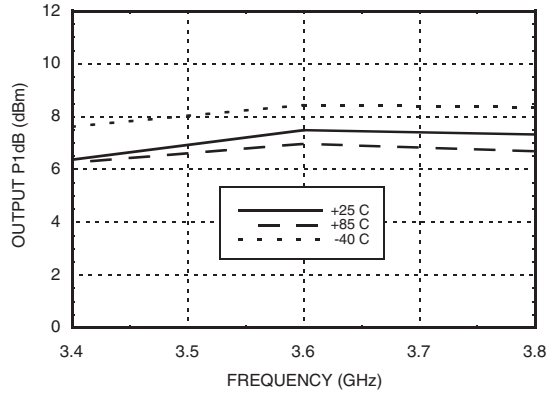


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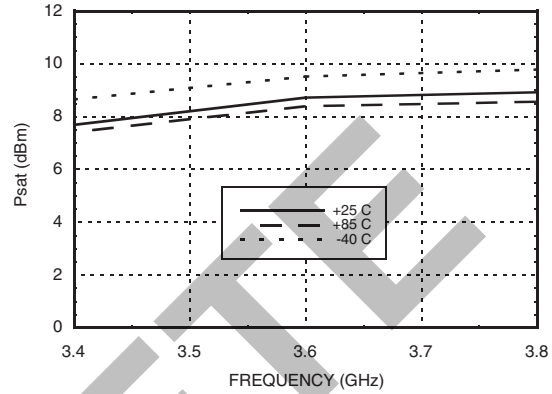
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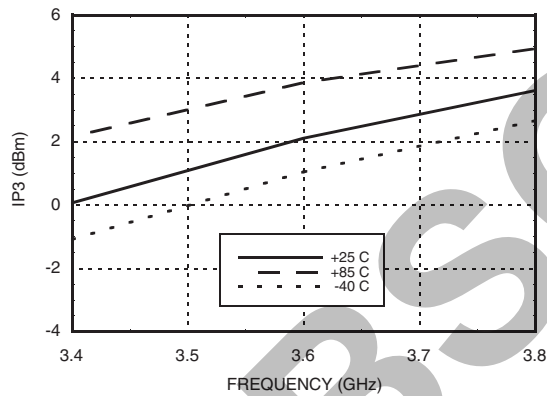
**LNA Mode
Output P1dB vs. Temperature**



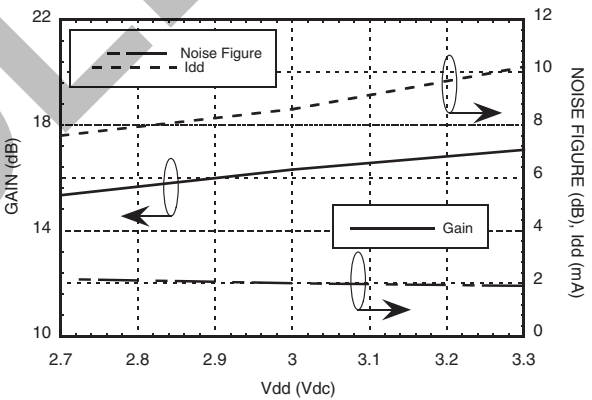
**LNA Mode
Psat vs. Temperature**



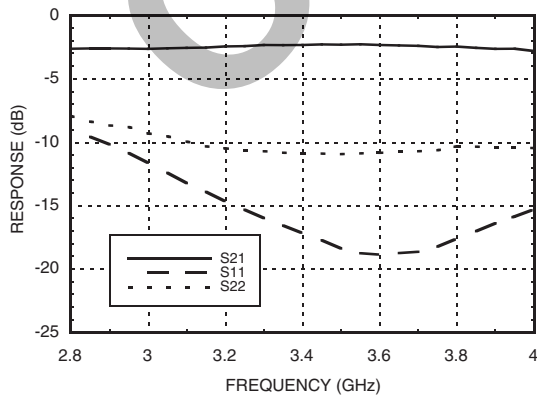
**LNA Mode
Input IP3 vs. Temperature**



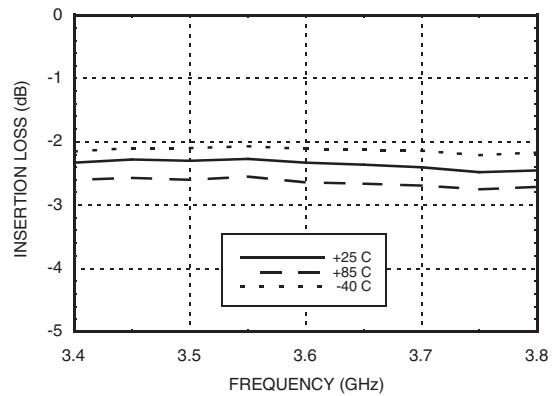
LNA Mode Gain, Noise Figure & Supply Current vs. Supply Voltage @ 3.6 GHz



**Bypass Mode
Broadband Insertion Loss & Return Loss**



**Bypass Mode
Insertion Loss vs. Temperature**



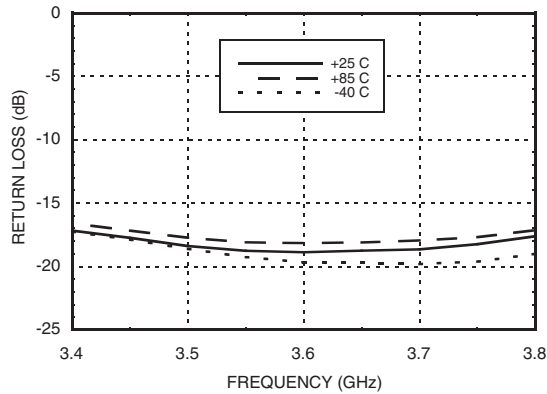
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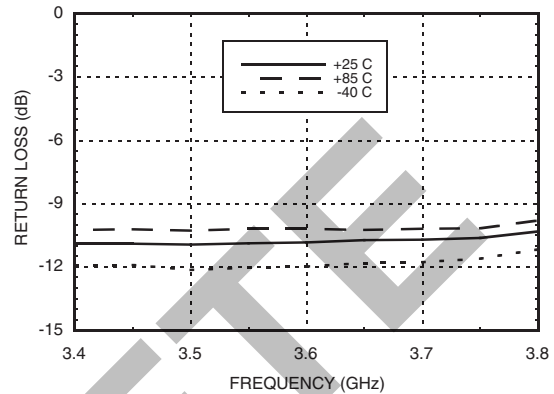
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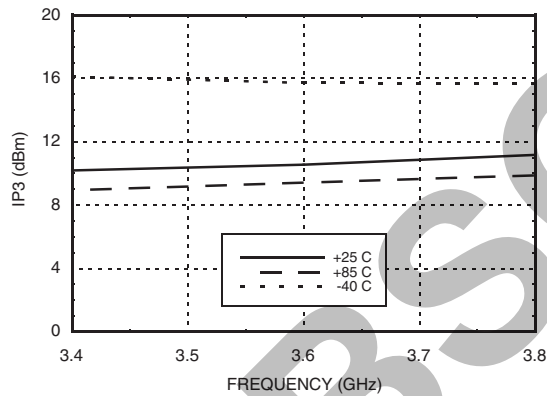
Bypass Mode
Input Return Loss vs. Temperature



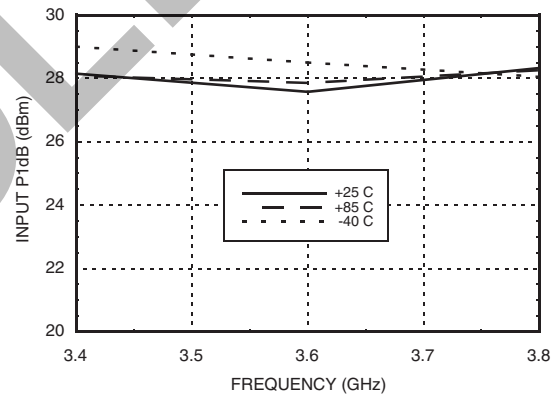
Bypass Mode
Output Return Loss vs. Temperature



Bypass Mode
Input IP3 vs. Temperature



Bypass Mode
Input P1dB vs. Temperature



Absolute Maximum Ratings

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| Drain Bias Voltage (Vdd) | +7.0 Vdc |
| RF Input Power (RFIN) | LNA Mode 0 dBm |
| (Vdd = +3.0 Vdc) | Bypass Mode +30 dBm |
| Channel Temperature | 150 °C |
| Continuous Pdiss (T = 85 °C) (derate 1.8 mW/°C above 85 °C) | 0.117 W |
| Thermal Resistance (channel to ground paddle) | 556 °C/W |
| Storage Temperature | -65 to +150 °C |
| Operating Temperature | -40 to +85 °C |

Typical Supply Current vs. Vdd

| Vdd (Vdc) | Idd (mA) |
|-----------|----------|
| +2.7 | 7.6 |
| +3.0 | 9.0 |
| +3.3 | 10.2 |

Truth Table

| | |
|---------------|---------------------|
| LNA Mode | Vctl= Vdd @ 1.6 mA |
| Bypass Mode | Vctl= 0Vdc @ -13 µA |
| Vdd= +3V ±10% | |

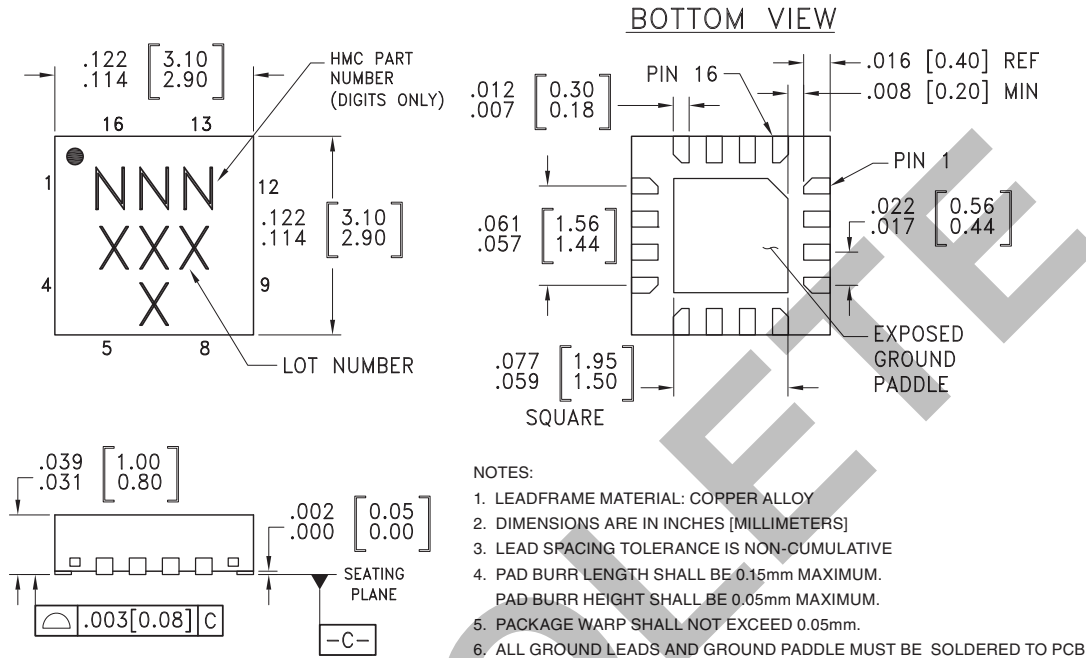


ELECTROSTATIC SENSITIVE DEVICE
OBSERVE HANDLING PRECAUTIONS

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Outline Drawing



Package Information

| Part Number | Package Body Material | Lead Finish | MSL Rating | Package Marking ^[3] |
|-------------|---|---------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| HMC491LP3 | Low Stress Injection Molding Plastic | Sn/Pb Solder | MSL1 ^[1] | 491 XXXX |
| HMC491LP3E | RoHS-compliant Low Stress Injection Molding Plastic | 100% matte Sn | MSL1 ^[2] | 491 XXXX |

[1] Max peak reflow temperature of 235 °C
 [2] Max peak reflow temperature of 260 °C
 [3] 4-Digit lot number XXXX

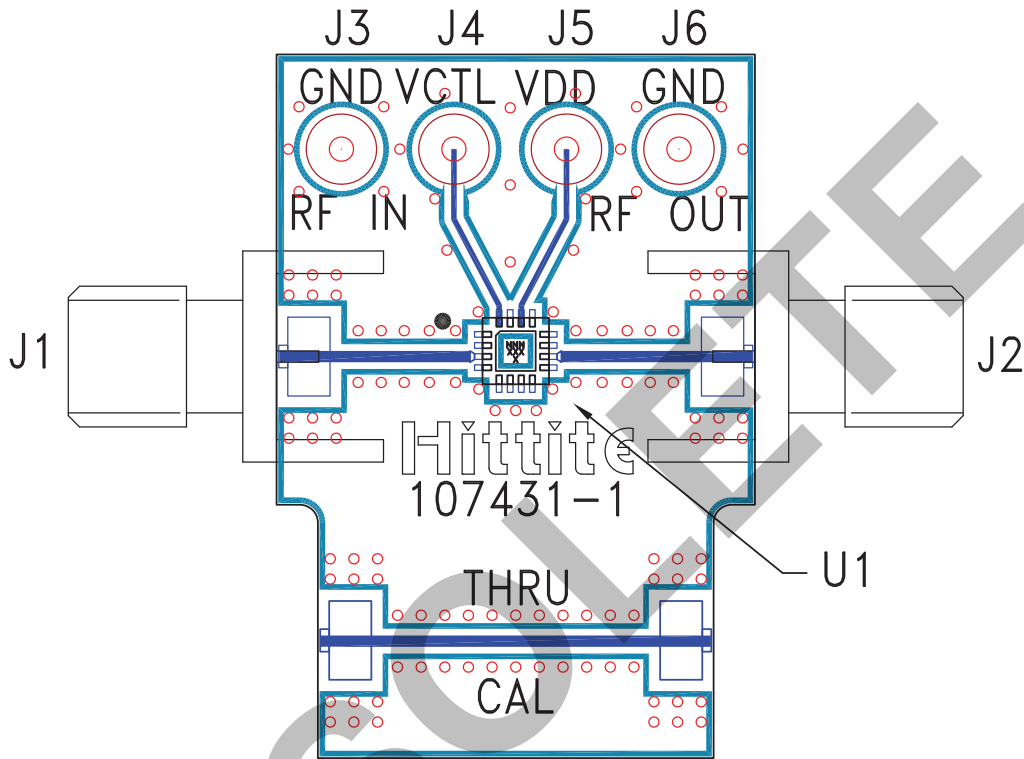
Pin Descriptions

| Pin Number | Function | Description | Interface Schematic |
|------------------|----------|--|---------------------|
| 1, 5 - 8, 12, 13 | N/C | No connection necessary. These pins may be connected to RF/DC ground. | |
| 2, 4, 9, 11, 15 | GND | These pins must be connected to RF/DC ground. | |
| 3 | RF IN | This pin is AC coupled and matched to 50 Ohms. | |
| 10 | RF OUT | This pin is AC coupled and matched to 50 Ohms. | |
| 14 | Vdd | Power supply voltage. | |
| 16 | Vctl | Control voltage. Vctl= Vdd for LNA mode. Vctl= 0V for bypass mode. | |

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Evaluation PCB



List of Materials for Evaluation PCB 107174 [1]

| Item | Description |
|---------|----------------------------------|
| J1 - J2 | PCB Mount SMA RF Connector |
| J3 - J6 | DC Pin |
| U1 | HMC491LP3 / HMC491LP3E Amplifier |
| PCB [2] | 107431 Evaluation PCB |

[1] Reference this number when ordering complete evaluation PCB

[2] 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.

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