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Package Style: QFN, 10-pin, 1.75 mm x 1.75 mm x 0.5 mm
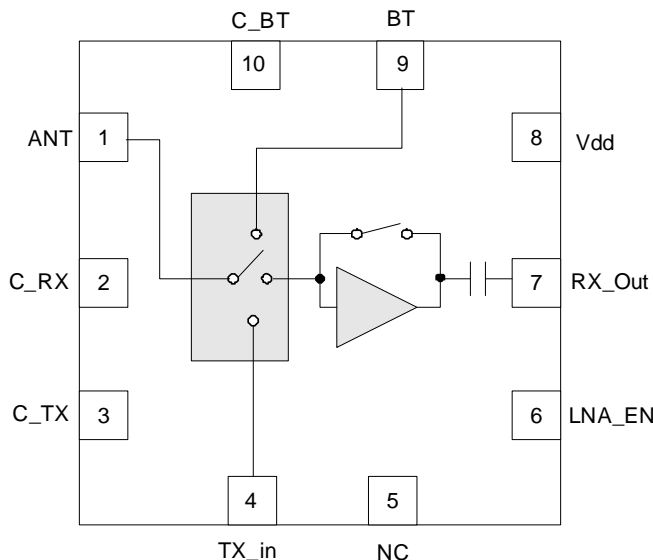

Functional Block Diagram

Features

- Single Supply Voltage 3.0V to 4.5V
- Integrated SP3T Switch and LNA with Bypass
- Typical gain is 12dB and 2.0dB NF in RX Mode Pin-to-Pin

Applications

- IEEE802.11b/g/n WiFi Applications
- Portable Battery-Powered Equipment
- WiFi/Bluetooth® Combination Devices

Product Description

The RF5521 is designed specifically for high-performance WiFi applications in the 2.4GHz to 2.5GHz ISM band, including Personal Media Players (PMPs), digital cameras, and WiFi enabled handsets.

The RF5521 integrates the LNA with bypass and an SP3T switch of a Front-End solution for WiFi and Bluetooth® combination systems. The integrated input and output match reduces the number of external components, keeping cost down and utilizing minimum layout area for implementation. The RF5521 is provided in an ultra small 1.75 mm x 1.75 mm x 0.5 mm 10-pin QFN package. This LNA+Switch front-end solution meets or exceeds the specification requirements of IEEE 802.11 b/g/n WiFi RF systems.

Ordering Information

RF5521	Standard 25 piece bag
RF5521SR	Standard 100 piece reel
RF5521TR7	Standard 2500 piece reel
RF5521PCK-410	Fully Assembled Evaluation Board

Optimum Technology Matching® Applied

☐ GaAs HBT	☐ SiGe BiCMOS	☑ GaAs pHEMT	☐ GaN HEMT
☐ GaAs MESFET	☐ Si BiCMOS	☐ Si CMOS	☐ RF MEMS
☐ InGaP HBT	☐ SiGe HBT	☐ Si BJT	☐ LDMOS

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Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Rating	Unit
DC Supply Voltage	5.5	V
Stability, Output VSWR	5:1	
Antenna Port Nominal Impedance	50	Ω
Full Spec Compliant Temperature Range	-10 to +75	°C
Storage Temperature	-40 to +150	°C
Moisture Sensitivity Level	MSL2	
LNA Input Power (no damage)	5	dBm
ESD, Human Body Model (HBM)	500	V
ESD, Charge Device Model (CDM)	650	V

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.

RoHS status based on EU Directive 2002/95/EC (at time of this document revision).

Parameter	Specification			Unit	Condition
	Min.	Typ.	Max.		
Compliance					IEEE 802.11b/g/n, FCC CFR 15.247,.205,.209, EN & JDEC. VDD=3.3V, LNA EN=2.85V, Temp=+25°C, Freq=2.4GHz to 2.5GHz, unless noted otherwise.
Operating Frequency	2.4		2.5	GHz	
LNA Voltage Supply (V_{DD})	3.0	3.3	4.5	V	
LNA Enable Voltage (LNA_En)	2.70	2.85	4.5	V	LNA Enabled
	0		0.2	V	LNA Off.
Switch Control Voltage "HIGH"	2.4		4.5	V	
Switch Control Voltage "LOW"			0.2	V	
LNA Bypass (LNA_EN)	2.7		4.5	V	LNA Bypass Disabled
			0.2	V	LNA Bypass Enabled
LNA Current					
LNA V_{DD}		7	14	mA	LNA in "On" state.
			5	μA	LNA in "Off" state.
LNA Enable			1	mA	LNA Enabled.
LNA Bypass			1	mA	LNA Bypass Mode.
Gain, WiFi Rx	9	12	14	dB	WiFi ANT-RX. (LNA_EN High)
Bypass Mode	-5.0	-4.0	-3.0	dB	WiFi ANT-RX, (LNA_EN Low)
Noise Figure					VDD > 3.0V, including switch
WiFi Rx		2.0	3.0	dB	WiFi RX Mode.
Bypass Mode		4.0	5.0	dB	LNA Bypass.
Passband Ripple	-0.2		+0.2	dB	WiFi RX Mode.
	-0.2		+0.2	dB	WiFi ANT-BT
Output Return Loss			-9.6	dB	
WiFi Input/Output Impedance		50		Ω	No external matching.

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Parameter	Specification			Unit	Condition
	Min.	Typ.	Max.		
BT and TX Switch Parameters					
Frequency	2.4		2.5	GHz	
TX Insertion Loss		0.6	1.0	dB	ANT-BT, TX-ANT
		3.8	4.0	dB	C_BT (ANT-BT) and C_RX (ANT-RX) On simultaneously.
BT Insertion Loss		0.9	1.2	dB	ANT-BT
		3.8	4.0	dB	C_BT (ANT-BT) and C_RX (ANT-RX) On simultaneously.
Passband Ripple	-0.2		+0.2	dB	
Input P1dB		28		dBm	Switch ports only.
Input Return Loss		10		dB	
Output Return Loss		10		dB	
Current Consumption			10	µA	Switch Leakage Current
Port Impedance					All ports.
Input		50		Ω	Receive
Output		50		Ω	Transmit
Isolation		20		dB	Switch isolation port to port.
Switch Control Voltage					
High	2.5		4.5	V	C_TX, C_RX, C_BT
Low			0.2	V	
Switch Control Current			20	µA	Per control line.
Switch Control Speed		50		nsec	

Note 1: The switch must operate with gated bias voltage input at 1% to 99% duty cycle.
Note 2: No external matching components.
Note 3: Values to be agreed to upon characterization data review. current, gain, return loss, detector sensitivity, and output power.
Note 4: The FEM can be placed in receive WiFi and Bluetooth modes simulataneously with increased insertion loss.

Switch Control Logic

MODE	Switch Controls			
	C BT	C RX	C TX	LNA EN
WiFi Receive	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH
WiFi Bypass	LOW	HIGH	LOW	LOW
Bluetooth®	HIGH	LOW	LOW	LOW
WiFi Transmit	LOW	LOW	HIGH	LOW
Simultaneous WiFi/BT Receive	HIGH	HiGH	LOW	HIGH

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Pin	Function	Description
1	ANT	This is a common port (antenna). It is matched at 50Ω.
2	C_RX	Receive mode control voltage. See switch truth table for proper level.
3	C_TX	Transmit mode control voltage. See switch truth table for proper level.
4	TX IN	RF input for the 802.11 b/g PA. Input is matched to 50Ω.
5	NC	No connect pin.
6	LNA_EN	This pin enables the LNA. A logic HIGH enables the LNA.
7	RX_OUT	Receive port for 802.11 b/g band. Internally matched to 50Ω. DC-block provided internally.
8	VDD	Supply voltage to the LNA.
9	BT	RF bi-directional prots for Bluetooth^{TM}. Input is matched to 50Ω.
10	C_BT	Bluetooth™ mode control voltage. See switch truth table for proper level.

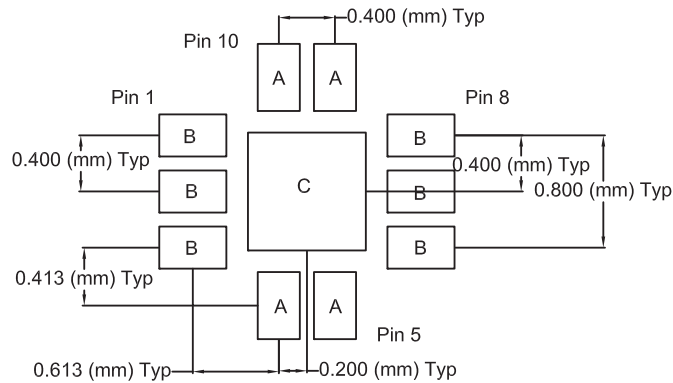## Package Drawing
Top View
Note: Pads are NiPdAu plated.

TOP VIEW

BOTTOM VIEW

SIDE VIEW
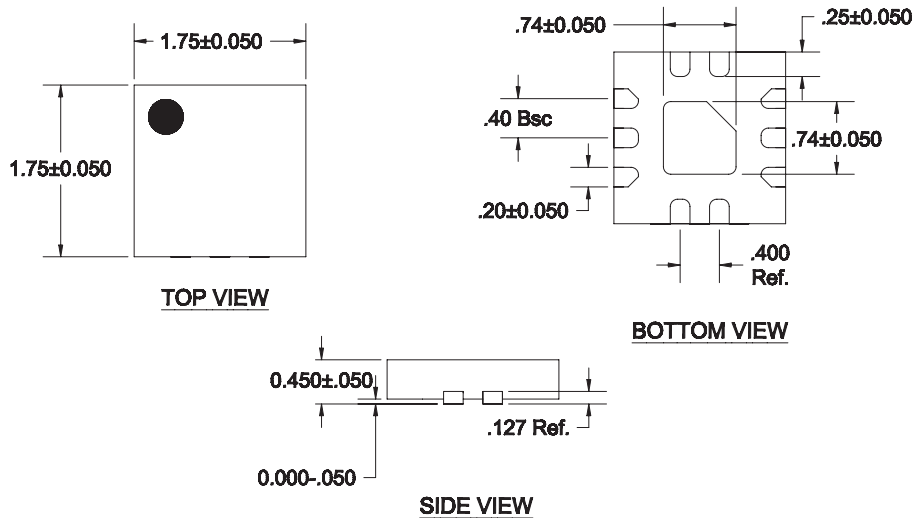
PCB Metal Land Pattern

A = 0.200x 0.378 (mm) Typ
B = 0.378 x 0.200 (mm) Typ
C = 0.740 (mm) Sq

Pin 10
0.400 (mm) Typ

Pin 1
Pin 8
0.400 (mm) Typ
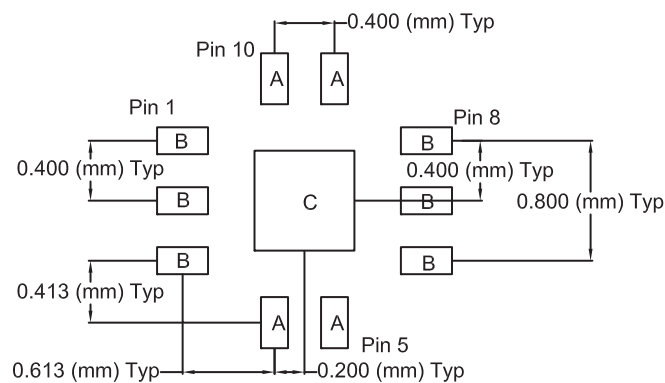0.400 (mm) Typ
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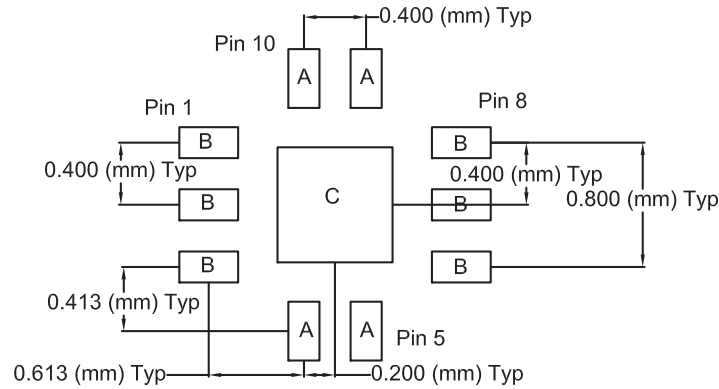
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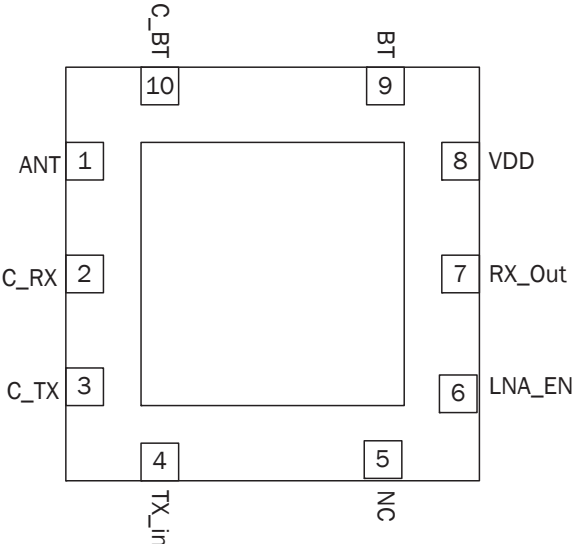A = 0.300 x 0.478 (mm) Typ
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C = 0.840 (mm) Sq

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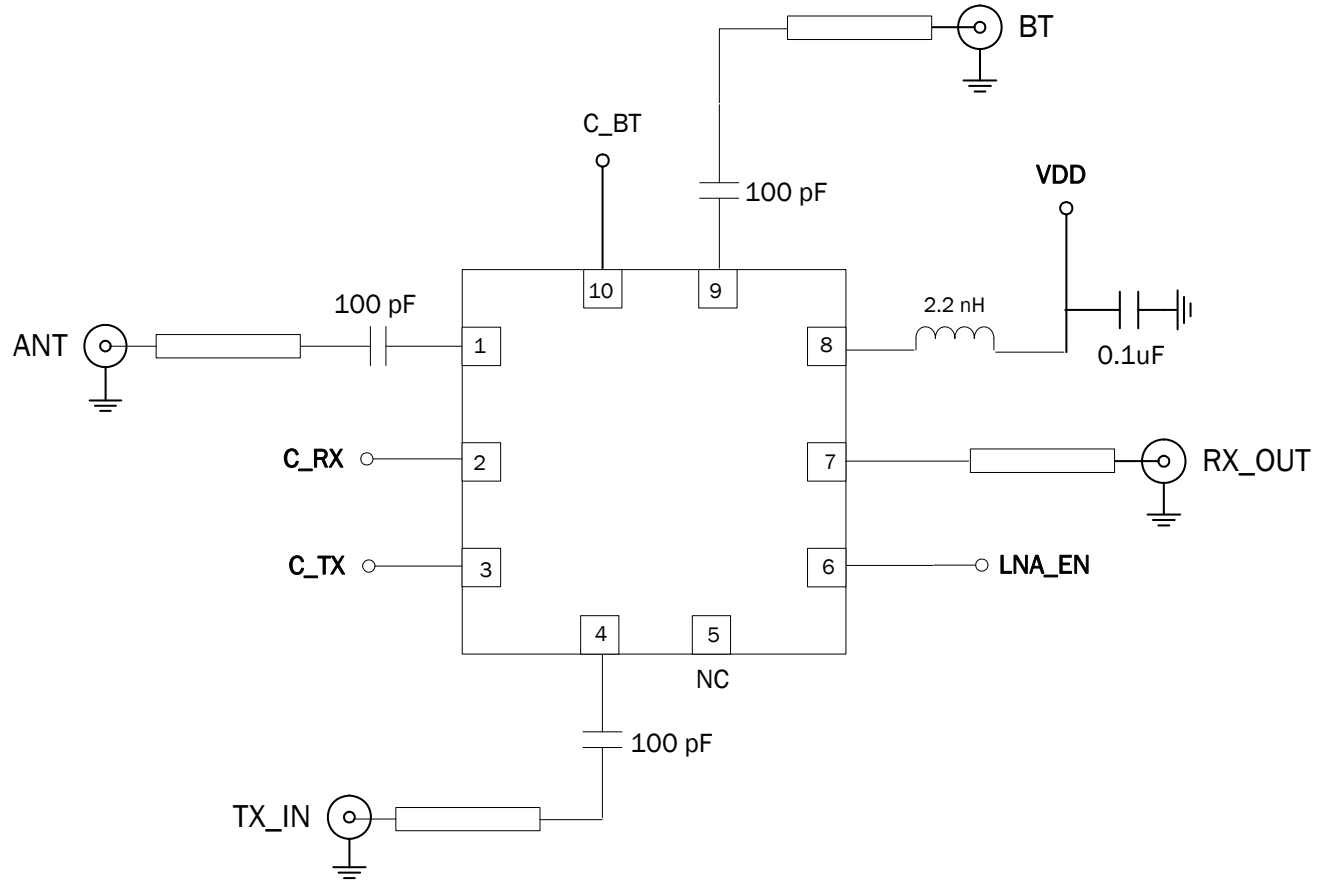
Pin 1
Pin 8
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0.400 (mm) Typ
0.800 (mm) Typ
0.413 (mm) Typ
Pin 5
0.613 (mm) Typ
0.200 (mm) Typ

PCB Stencil Pattern

A = 0.180 x 0.340 (mm) Typ
B = 0.340 x 0.180 (mm) Typ
C = 0.666 (mm) Sq

Pin 10
0.400 (mm) Typ

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Pin Out
Top View

Pin	Name
10	C_BT
9	BT
1	ANT
8	VDD
2	C_RX
7	RX_Out
3	C_TX
6	LNA_EN
4	TX_in
5	NC

Evaluation Board Schematic

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Evaluation Board Layout

Board size: 1.5" x 1.5", Board thickness: 0.032", Board Material FR-4, Multi-Layer
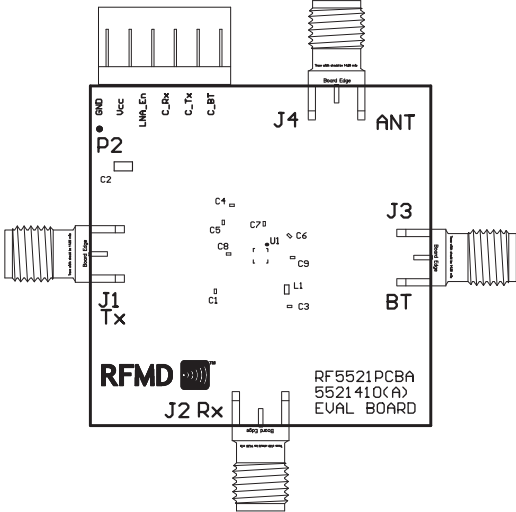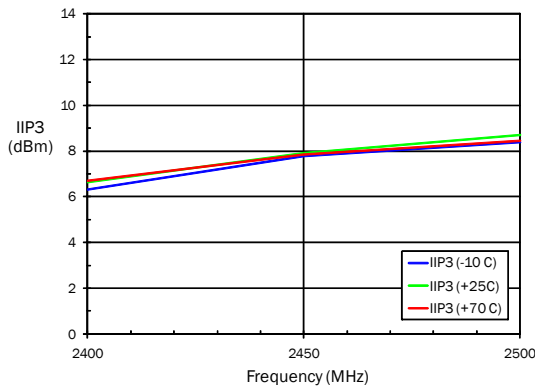

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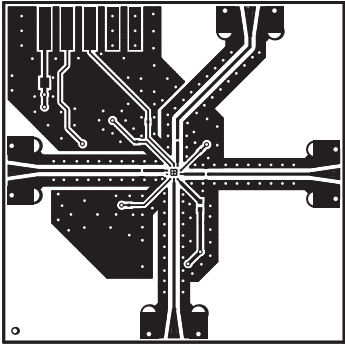
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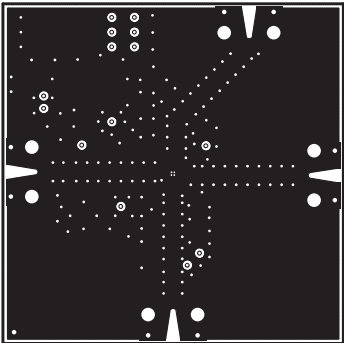
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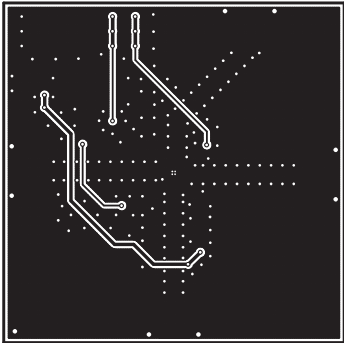
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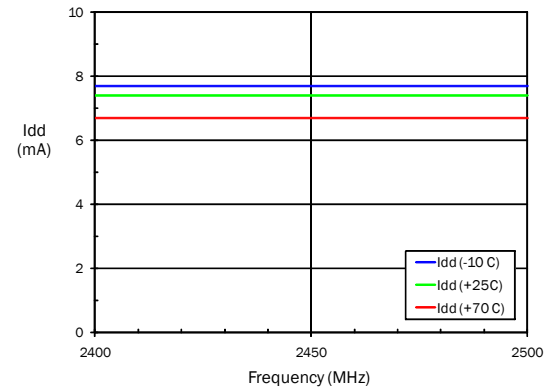(Vdd=3.3v, LNA_EN=2.8v, C_RX=2.8v, C_TX=0v, C_BT=0v)
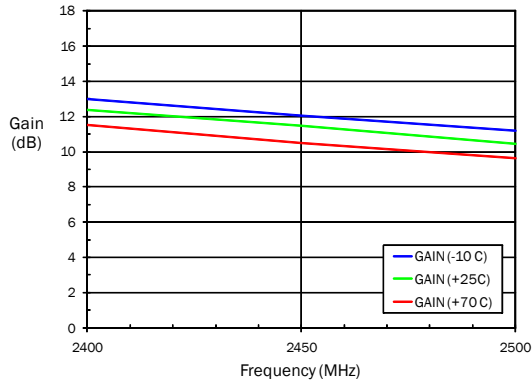
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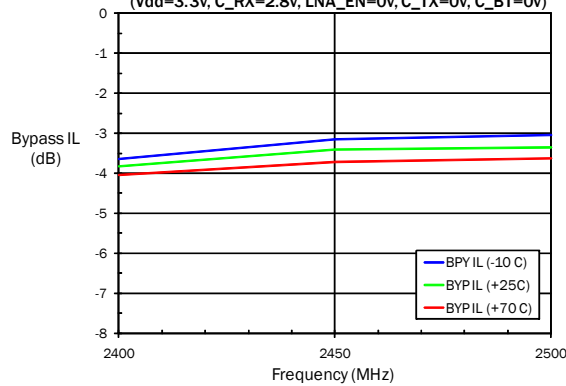(Vdd=3.3v, LNA_EN=2.8v, C_RX=2.8v, C_TX=0v, C_BT=0v)
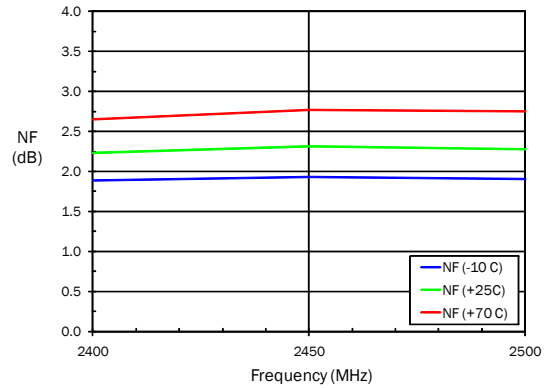
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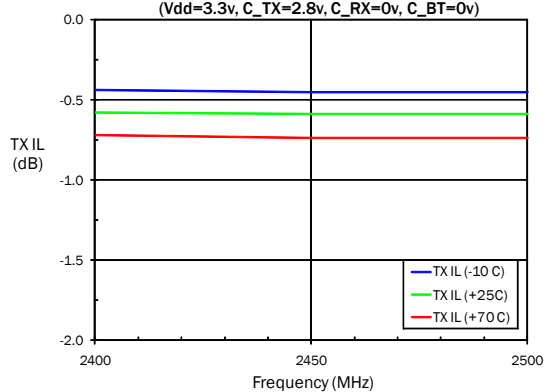(Vdd=3.3v, LNA_EN=2.8v, C_RX=2.8v, C_TX=0v, C_BT=0v)

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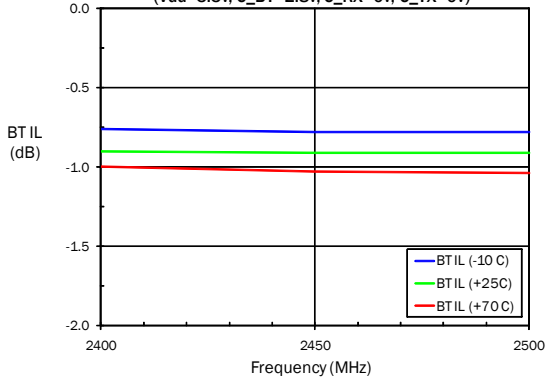(Vdd=3.3v, LNA_EN=2.8v, C_RX=2.8v, C_TX=0v, C_BT=0v)

RF5521: BYPASS MODE INSERTION LOSS versus FREQUENCY and TEMPERATURE
(Vdd=3.3v, C_RX=2.8v, LNA_EN=0v, C_TX=0v, C_BT=0v)

**RF5521: TRANSMIT MODE INSERTION LOSS versus FREQUENCY and TEMPERATURE**
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RF5521: BLUETOOTH MODE INSERTION LOSS versus FREQUENCY and TEMPERATURE
(Vdd=3.3v, C_BT=2.8v, C_RX=0v, C_TX=0v)

BT IL (dB)

- BT IL (-10 C)
- BT IL (+25C)
- BT IL (+70 C)

Frequency (MHz)

RF5521: TRANSMIT TO RECEIVE ISOLATION versus FREQUENCY and TEMPERATURE
(Vdd=3.3v, C_TX=2.8v, LNA_EN=0v, C_RX=0v, C_BT=0v)

TX-RX ISO (dB)

- TX-RX Iso (-10 C)
- TX-RX Iso (+25C)
- TX-RX Iso (+70 C)
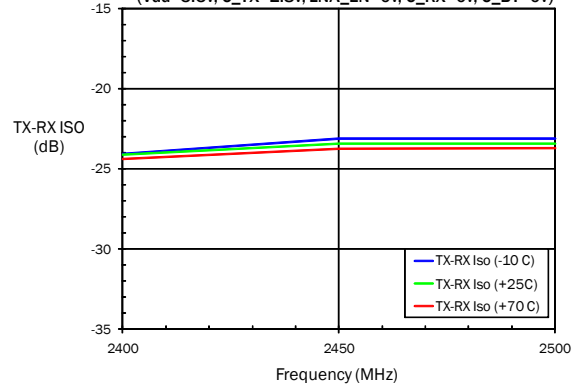
Frequency (MHz)

RF5521: TRANSMIT TO BLUETOOTH ISOLATION versus FREQUENCY and TEMPERATURE
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TX-BT ISO (dB)

- TX-BT Iso (-10 C)
- TX-BT Iso (+25C)
- TX-BT Iso (+70 C)

Frequency (MHz)