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2 Product Overview

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2.1 Abstract

This application note describes the operation of the TDA 5210 and TDA5211 evaluation boards. It demonstrates the design of a low-cost receiver for applications in wireless I.S.M. data communication systems. Various application considerations are presented to assist system designers in implementing the device.

The application board of the TDA5210 can be operated in one of the assigned frequency bands for short-range devices (SRD) at either 434MHz or 868MHz, the application board of the TDA5211 at 315MHz. The receivers have been optimized for single-channel operation in systems using both amplitude shift key (ASK) modulation and frequency shift key (FSK) modulation. The board complies with the I-ETS 300 220 regulations.

2.2 Product Description

The TDA 5210/TDA5211 has been implemented in a 25GHz silicon bipolar process. It supports all low-power device (LPD) wireless applications with ASK and FSK modulated signals with data rates of up to 120kbit/s. The maximum achievable data rate also depends on the IF filter bandwidth and the local oscillator tolerance values.

As can be seen from the block diagram in Figure 2-1, the basic concept of the TDA5210 is a single conversion receiver with an on-chip fully integrated PLL frequency synthesizer and an IF of nominally 10.7MHz. The 10.7MHz IF was selected because of the availability of low-cost ceramic filters in a variety of bandwidths between 60kHz and 280kHz. The user is free to select other IFs and/or filters that are compatible with the 3MHz - 25MHz bandwidth provided by the 90dB limiting IF-strip. The IF-limiter provides a received signal strength indication (RSSI) with over 80dB dynamic range. The RSSI output is used as the demodulator for the ASK signals. In case of FSK a PLL is demodulating the signals. The output of the ASK demodulator is DC-coupled internally to the data slicer. An on-chip 2nd order low-pass filter is provided at the demodulator output for both ASK and FSK modulation. Its upper frequency limit should be set to meet the baseband system requirements. The data slicer is an one-bit analog-to-digital converter that makes the bit decision and provides a digital data signal. In accordance with the code being used for modulation, there is a choice between two different internal analog-to-digital converters. The conventional Adaptive Data Slicer utilizes a large capacitor to provide a DC reference for the bit decision. It should be used for the digital conversion of coded signals with no or only a small DC component. The alternative Clamping Data Slicer references its bit decision on the positive peak level of the data signal. It can be used with all unsymmetrical codes containing DC content. Since the clamping data slicer does not have to charge a large capacitor, it requires a shorter preamble and

exhibits a nearly instantaneous response time with some slight loss of sensitivity. The local oscillator (LO) is a single-channel PLL frequency synthesizer. It is fully integrated on the chip.

Table 2-1 Summary of the Key Parameters of the Device

Selectable frequency range

TDA5210: 400-440 and 810-870 MHz

TDA5211: 310-350 MHz

Fully integrated VCO and PLL frequency synthesizer

ASK and FSK demodulation at data rates up to 120kbit/s NRZ

Supply voltage range 5.0 V \pm 10%

Low supply current (6 mA typ. FSK mode, 5.3mA typ. ASK mode)

Reference frequency

TDA510: 6.7 MHz or 13.4 MHz

TDA511: 5.1 MHz or 10.2 MHz

IF frequency range 3 - 25MHz

Power down mode

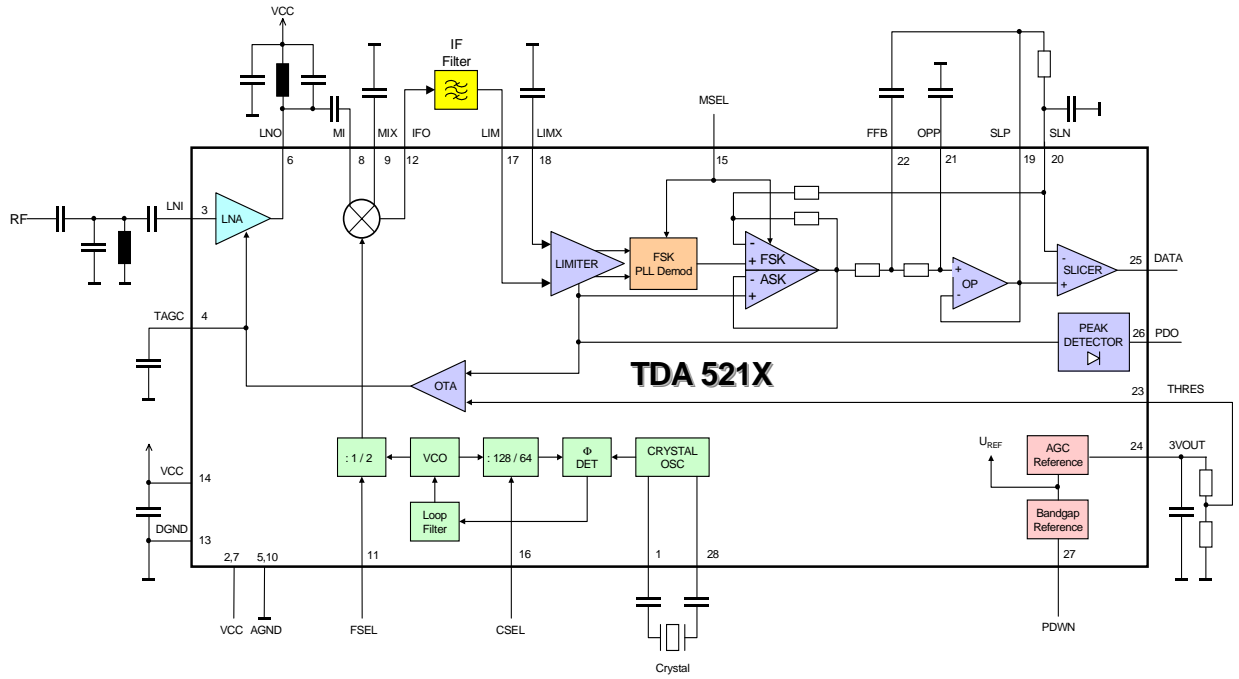
Input sensitivity < -107 dBm in ASK mode

Input sensitivity < -100 dBm in FSK mode

Adaptive (RC) and peak data slicer

Low-pass filter with selectable cut-off frequency

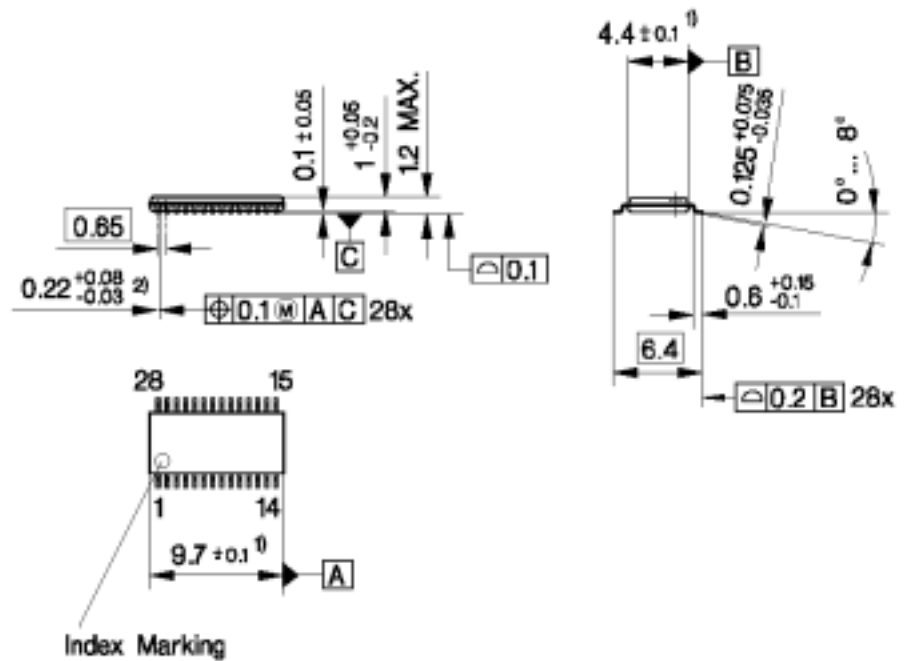
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Figure 2-1 Functional Block Diagram

2.4 Package Outlines



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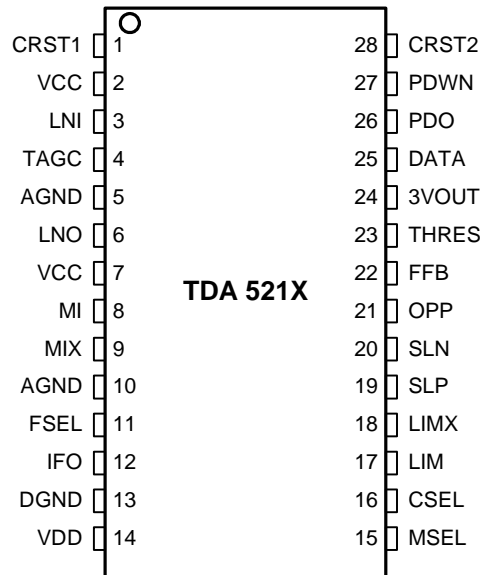
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3.1 Pin Configuration

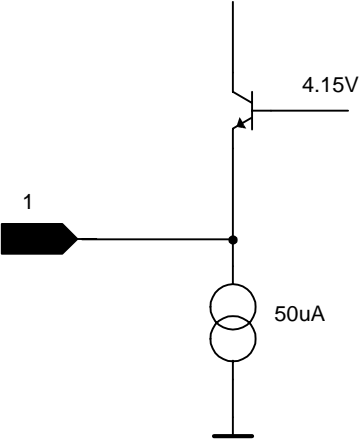
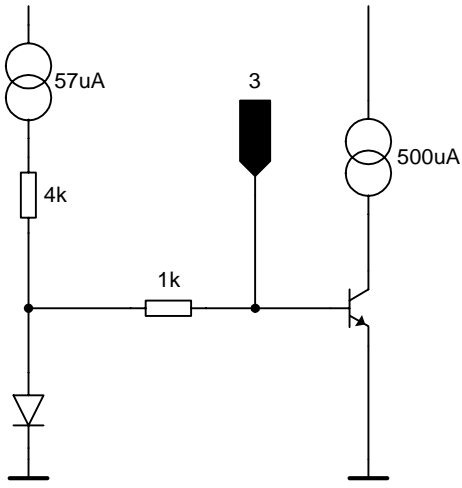


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Figure 3-1 IC Pin Configuration

3.2 Pin Definition and Function

Table 3-1 Pin Definition and Function

Pin No.	Symbol	Equivalent I/O-Schematic	Function
1	CRST1		<p>Connection 1 to the symmetrical reference oscillator circuit. The reference oscillator is of the negative impedance converter type. It represents a negative resistor connected in series to an inductor between the CRSTL1 and CRSTL2 pins.</p>
2	VCC		5V DC bias supply.
3	LNI		<p>RF input to the LNA. This input is DC-coupled to the base of the common emitter input stage of the LNA cascade configuration.</p>

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4	TAGC		<p>This pin is used for the gain control of the LNA. The gain of the LNA can be reduced by approx.18dB. The threshold voltage for the gain control function is 1.3V. The control sensitivity is -1dB/8mV See Section 4.2</p>
5	AGND		<p>Ground connection for the analog section</p>
6	LNO		<p>Output of the receiver RF low-noise amplifier (LNA). Collector of the common base output stage of a cascade configuration. A DC path to VCC can be supplied by the output matching network.</p>
7	VCC		<p>5V DC bias supply.</p>
8	MI		<p>Symmetrical input to the mixer. The inputs are DC-coupled to the base of the input stage of a Gilbert Cell mixer configuration.</p>
10	AGND		<p>Ground connection for the analog section</p>

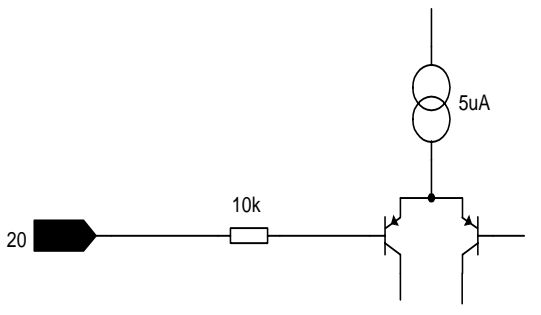
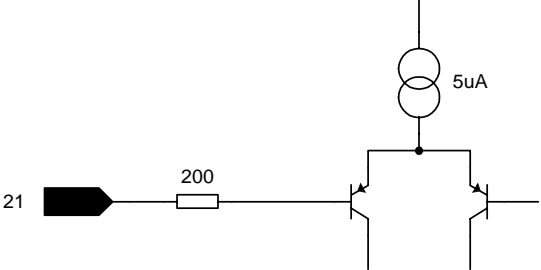
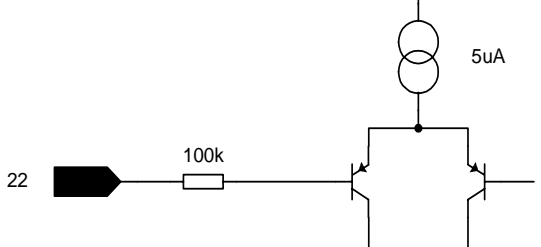
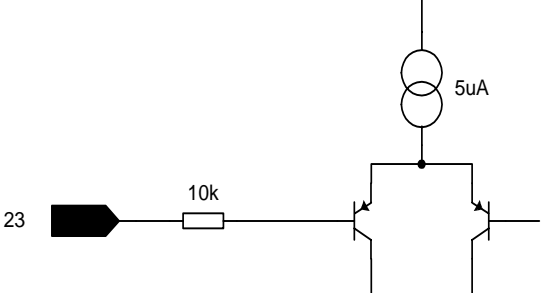
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11	FSEL		<p>TDA5210: This pin is used to select the desired operating frequency range of the receiver. FSEL \leq 0.2V will give access to the 868MHz frequency range. FSEL \geq 1.4V or an open will set the receiver to the 434MHz mode. TDA5211: Not applicable, has to be left open!</p>
12	IFO		<p>RF mixer output. This pin is the single-ended IF output of the mixer. The output impedance is set internally to 330Ω. It interfaces directly with 10.7MHz standard ceramic IF filters.</p>
13	DGND		<p>Ground connection for digital electronics.</p>
14	VDD		<p>DC bias supply to the digital section</p>
15	MSEL		<p>ASK/FSK Modulation Format Selector</p>

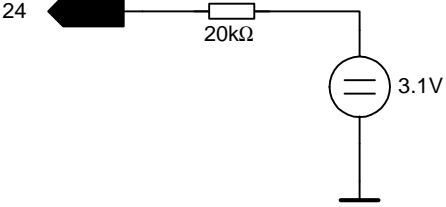
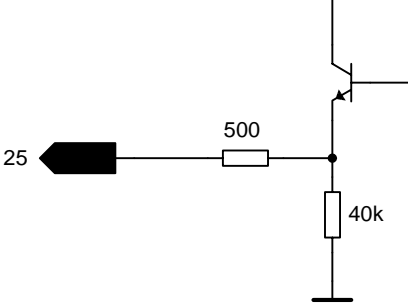
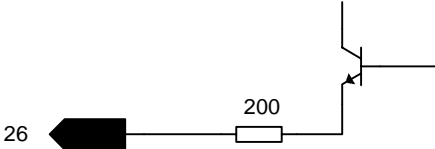
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16	CSEL		<p>TDA5210/TDA5211: A logic low (CSEL < 0.2V) applied at this pin sets the internal frequency divider for a reference frequency of 13.xx MHz/10.xx MHz. A logic high (CSEL > 1.4V) or an open will be applied for a reference frequency of 6.xx MHz/5.xx MHz.</p>
17	LIM		<p>Input to the IF amplifier/limiter. The input is DC-coupled to the base of the first differential stage of the IFF amplifier strip. The differential input impedance is set internally to 330Ω to meet standard 10.7MHz ceramic filter requirements.</p>
19	SLP		<p>Output of the low-pass filter, directly coupled to the non-inverting input of the data slicer. An external RC low-pass filter connected to the inverting input SLN, pin 20 of the data slicer sets the reference level for the data slicer/comparator to the average DC level of the data bit stream.</p>

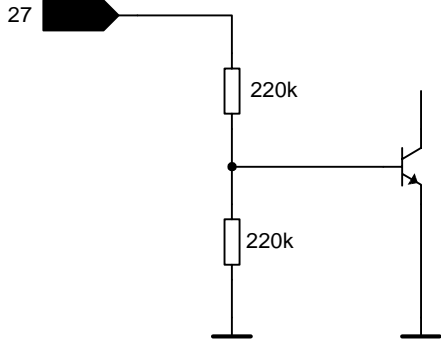
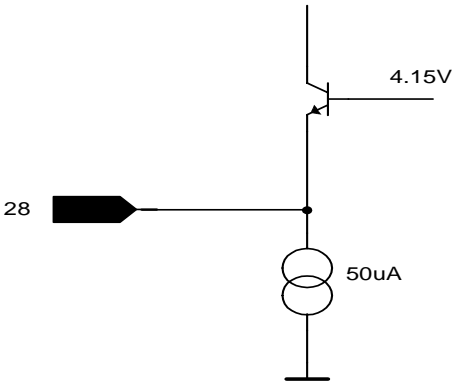
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20	SLN		<p>This pin is used for setting the data slicer reference level. A RC low-pass filter from the filter output SLP, pin19 provides the comparator with an average DC level of the data bit stream. When applying the peak detector interface, the peak voltage of the data signal at PDO, pin 26 is tapped to determine the bit decision threshold voltage.</p>
21	OPP		<p>Non inverting input of the low-pass filter operational amplifier. A capacitor to ground will be applied as part of a second order Sallen-Key low-pass filter.</p>
22	FFB		<p>Access point to place a capacitor to the output of the low-pass filter. This capacitor is part of the network building the Sallen-Key low-pass filter.</p>
23	THRES		<p>The voltage at this pin sets the receiver input level to a value where the AGC circuit comes into operation. THRES is the inverting input of a differential operational transimpedance amplifier that is used to compare the internal RSSI voltage of the IF amplifier with the voltage applied to THRES. The voltage at THRES can be set by a voltage divider attached to the reference voltage at 3VOUT, Pin 24.</p>

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<p>24</p>	<p>3VOUT</p>		<p>Highly stable 3.0V voltage source. This voltage reference output is derived internally from a band gap voltage reference. It is held constant over variations in supply voltage and operating temperature. A resistive voltage divider will be used to precisely set the trigger level at THRES, Pin 23 for the AGC access point</p>
<p>25</p>	<p>DATA</p>		<p>Data output from the demodulator. The output level is TTL/CMOS-compatible. The fall and the rise time of the output pulse will be approx. 3μs when loaded with 10pF.</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>PDO</p>		<p>An external capacitor at this pin will be charged to the peak level of the data filter output voltage. The decision threshold of the data slicer will be set below this voltage by an amount given by the division ratio of the voltage divider coupled to this output. An external time constant at the PDO output determines the decay time of the reference voltage. It should be set in accordance with the lowest signal component within the data string.</p>

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<p>27</p>	<p>PDWN</p>		<p>Enable pin for the receiver circuit. $PDWN \leq 0.8V$ or an open turns off all receiver functions. $PDWN \geq 2.8V$ powers up all receiver functions</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>CRST 2</p>		<p>Connection 2 to the symmetrical reference oscillator circuit. The reference oscillator is of the negative impedance converter type. It represents a negative resistor in series to an inductor between the CRSTL 1 and CRSTL2 pins.</p>

4 Functional Description

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4.1 Low-Noise Amplifier (LNA)

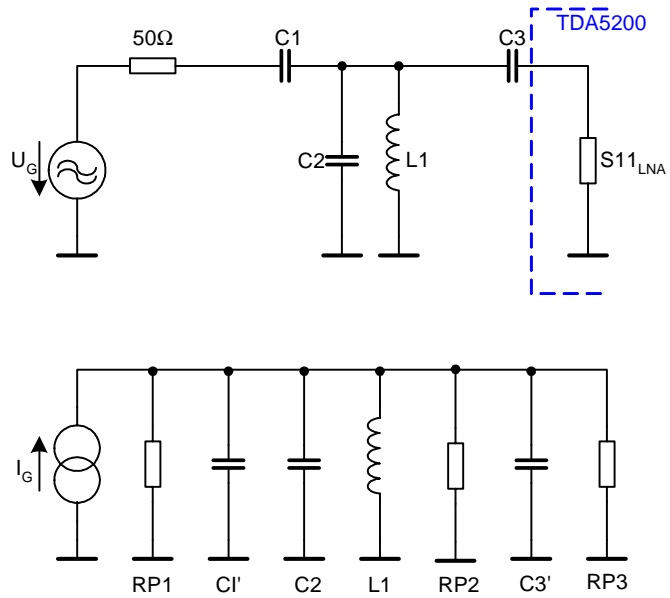
The low-noise amplifier is an on-chip high-gain amplifier operating at a current of 0.5mA. The gain can be reduced by approx. 18dB by applying a high state to the TAGC input, pin 4. The S-parameters of the LNA and the input to the mixer are shown in the following table.

Table 4-1 S-Parameters of the LNA							
Parameter	315 MHz		434 MHz		868 MHz		
S11 LNA, high gain	0.895	-25.5deg	0.873	-34.7deg	0.738	-73.5deg	
S11 LNA, low gain	0.918	-25.2deg	0.899	-35.4deg	0.772	-80.2deg	
S21 LNA, high gain	1.577	150.3deg	1.509	138.2deg	1.419	101.7deg	
S21 LNA, low gain	0.193	153.7deg	0.183	140.6deg	0.179	109.1deg	
S12 LNA, high gain			0.003	128.2deg	0.023	172.3deg	
S12 LNA, low gain			0.001	-153.5deg	0.022	173.4deg	
S22 LNA, high gain	0.897	-10.3deg	0.886	-12.9deg	0.866	-24.2deg	
S22 LNA, low gain	0.907	-10.5deg	0.897	-13.6deg	0.868	-26.3deg	
S11 MIX	0.954	-10.9deg	0.942	-14.4deg	0.918	-28.1deg	

Matching the LNA input to the source impedance of the generator and matching the LNA output to the mixer input has to be done by a LC network. Both networks used on the evaluation boards have been designed to achieve best selectivity at a designed loss of 2 to 3dB for each filter. The low-loss and hence low Q design is mandatory in order to keep the circuit tuning-free. This low-loss design achieves a high voltage gain of the LNA and hence a good sensitivity of the receiver. Higher losses result in better selectivity at the expense of gain and sensitivity.

It is good practice to design such a network utilizing an appropriate linear CAE design tool. Even a very simple version can be used very efficiently. A very practical way to design the network will be shown below.

As an example, the design of the input-matching network for an 868MHz application will be demonstrated in detail.



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Figure 4-1 LNA input matching network

As shown in the circuit diagram in Figure 4-1, the input filter represents a single tuned parallel resonance circuit loaded by three resistors: RP1, the generator resistor transformed to the circuit, RP2, which collects the filter component losses, and RP3, the LNA input resistor transformed to the circuit.

By dimensioning

$$RP1 = RP3$$

the overall performance of the filter will be optimized: the best selectivity will be achieved at lowest losses. The design example will be done for assumed filter losses of 2-3 dB.

The power efficiency of the network in Figure 4-1 is:

$$\eta = \left(\frac{1 - Q_L}{Q_U} \right)^2$$

with the Q_L and Q_U , the loaded and unloaded quality factors of the circuit.

The unloaded Q_U of the circuit is given by:

$$Q_U = \frac{RP2}{Z}$$

The characteristic impedance of the circuit is

$$Z = \left(\frac{L}{C}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \omega_0 L = \frac{1}{\omega_0 C_{tot}}$$

The effective total capacitance adds up to:

$$C_{tot} = C1+C2+ C3'$$

The resonance frequency f_0 is

$$\omega_0 = 2\pi f_0$$

The loaded Q_L of the circuit will be:

$$Q_L = \frac{(RP1 // RP2 // RP3)}{Z}$$

The 3dB bandwidth B for the single tuned LC network can be calculated from:

$$Q_L = \frac{f_0}{B}$$

A tuning-free design is required on grounds of cost. In order to minimize the complexity of the circuit, the application example uses a single tuned LC parallel circuit for both the antenna input matching network and the matching network between the LNA output and the mixer input.

The requirement for a tuning-free implementation provides the basis for dimensioning the networks.

Due to component and manufacturing tolerances, the frequency of the resonance circuit may vary by Δf from the designed frequency. This will result in loss of gain of the LNA, and therefore in reduced sensitivity of the receiver. In order to limit this sensitivity loss, the two circuits in the application example are dimensioned in such a way that each of them exhibits a maximum additional loss of 3 dB under worst-case tolerance conditions.

Typical relevant tolerance values are:

Table 4-2 Tolerance Values of the LNA Input Matching Circuit		
		$\Delta f/f$
Tolerance of C	$\pm 2\%$	$\pm 1\%$
Tolerance of L	$\pm 2\%$	$\pm 1\%$
Manuf. tolerance	Board	$\pm 2\%$
	Placing the components on the pads	$\pm 2\%$
Total frequency tolerance		$\pm 6\%$

Detuning losses will be low for a higher 3dB bandwidth and hence for a low loaded Q_L of the circuit. With an assumed drop in gain by max. 3 dB per circuit, the required Q_L is

$$Q_L \leq f_r / 2\Delta f = 8.3$$

Q_L : loaded Q of resonance circuit

f_r : operating frequency

Δf : frequency offset of resonance circuit

Using chip inductors of size 0805, an unloaded Q_U of

$$Q_U \approx 30(434MHz) \\ 40(869MHz)$$

can be achieved for the resonance circuits. The Q of the capacitors are greater by at least a factor of 5, so their losses are not taken into account.

The filter losses for each circuit at the LNA input and output will be:

$$a = \left(\frac{1 - Q_L}{Q_U} \right)^2 = .523 \cong -2.8dB(434MHz) \\ .628 \cong -2.0dB(868MHz)$$

This value applies to optimum dimensioning, where the generator resistance and the load resistance are both transformed into an equal conductance of $RP1 = RP3$ in parallel to the resonance circuit.

The selectivity of these circuits is not impressive due to their low loaded Q_L . In the example, the image frequency rejection for $\Delta f = 2 * f_{IF} = 21.4MHz$ is therefore only

$$a_{if} = 2 \times 2.2dB = 4.4dB(434MHz) \\ 2 \times 0.6dB = 1.2dB(868MHz)$$

This result can be improved (still with a tuning-free design) by using high Q, pre-tuned resonators, e.g. based on SAW structures or ceramic filters.

It is rather unusual to design an LC filter for a specified loaded Q_L . The following description outlines a very practical method for the design of such a filter. This procedure is not as attractive as a CAE design but it is very effective. The example applies for the input matching circuit of the LNA with a frequency of 868MHz.

As a first step, a convenient combination of $C1$ and $C3$ has to be found to transform the generator resistance and the LNA input resistance to the same conductance $RP1=RP3$ across the parallel resonance circuit. This can be very elegantly done on the PCB by use of a VNA. This method offers the advantage that all parasitic elements of the board are captured.

Experimental values of $C1$ and $C3$ have been found on the evaluation board with a frequency of 868MHz as

$$C1 = 1pF \\ C3 = 5.6pF$$

In the next step the value of L1 will be calculated.

Considering the formula of Q_L and Q_U and the above decided values of Q_L and Q_U yields the following equation for the ratio Q_U/Q_L

$$\frac{Q_U}{Q_L} = \frac{40}{8.3} = 4.8 = \frac{RP2}{RP1 // RP2 // RP3}$$

and therefore

$$RP2 = 3.8 \times (RP1 // RP3)$$

The resultant value of the conductance has been measured as

$$RP1 = RP3 = 300\Omega$$

which yields the value of RP2

$$RP2 = 570\Omega$$

The inductance L1 is calculated, using the formula for Q_U and Z given above

$$Z \geq \omega_0 L = \frac{RP2}{Q_U} = \frac{570\Omega}{40} = 14.25\Omega$$

and

$$L1 \geq \frac{Z}{\omega_0} = 2.6nH$$

The (standard) value selected is

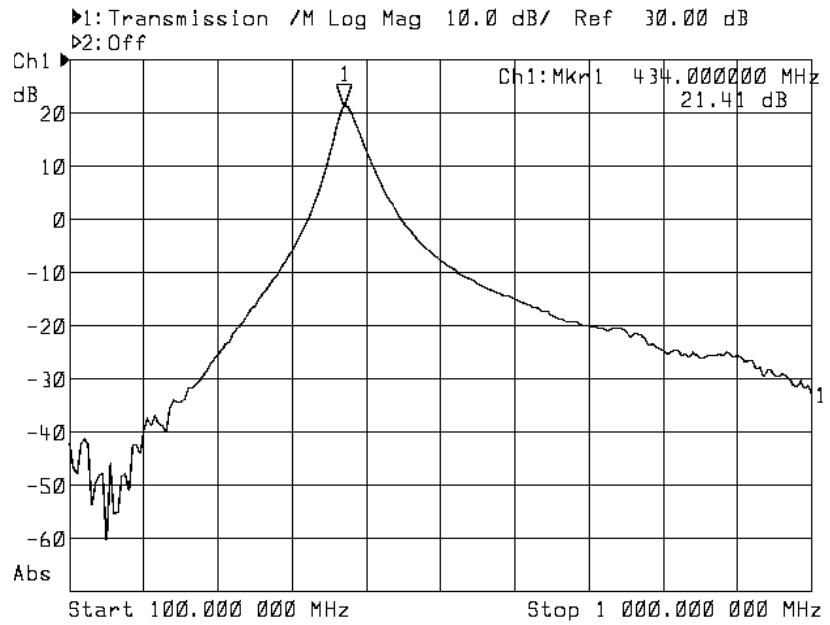
$$L1 = 3.3nH$$

The size of the capacitor C2 required to set the circuit to resonance is once again most easily found empirically. The resonant frequency in general will not be hit accurately enough with standard component values. There is still some room for adjustment by changing the positions of L1 and C3 on the board and by changing the orientation of L1 (!). If these variation options are not satisfactory, then C1 or C3 can be changed slightly, violating rule (1). The resultant slight loss of receiver sensitivity can be tolerated.

The values of the components imparted in the circuit should fall within a range where they can be handled electrically. The circuit itself gives some freedom in the determination of the characteristic impedance Z and hence in the component values. The component values may be selected to conform to certain criteria.

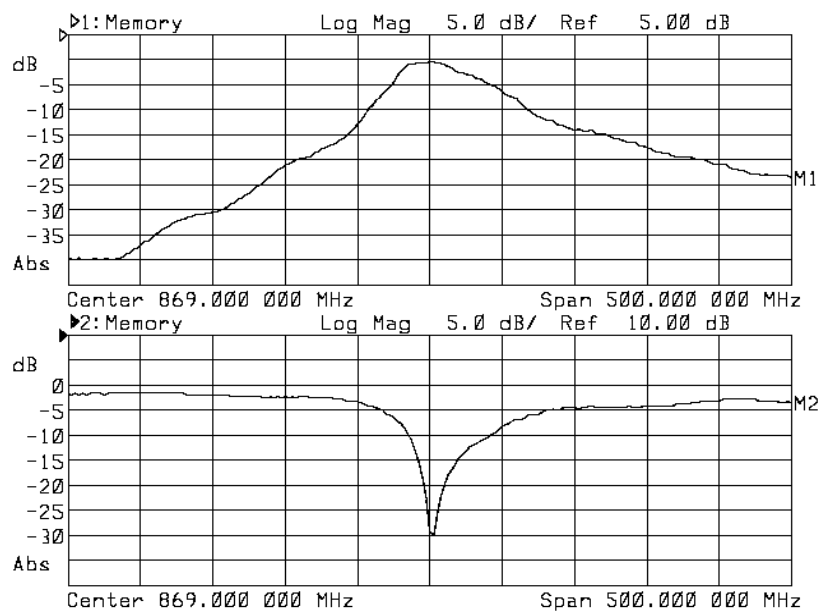
One selection criterion for the filter components is that their value remains within technically manageable limits. For example, it may be specified that the C values should not exceed 10pF. Up to this value they are available with absolute tolerances of $\pm 0.1pF$. Frequency-determining C's should not fall below 2.2pF because of the $\pm 0.1pF$ tolerance specification. Inductances below 3.3nH also pose problems due to the increasing influence of lead inductances. Once the inductance value exceeds approximately 33nH with a frequency of 868MHz, their effective impedance is capacitive due to their self-resonance.

The overall frequency response of the LNA is shown in the following figures. The midband voltage gain from the receiver input to the mixer input is +21dB/+18dB with a frequency of 434/868 MHz, for instance.



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Figure 4-2 LNA voltage gain vs. frequency of 434MHz receiver

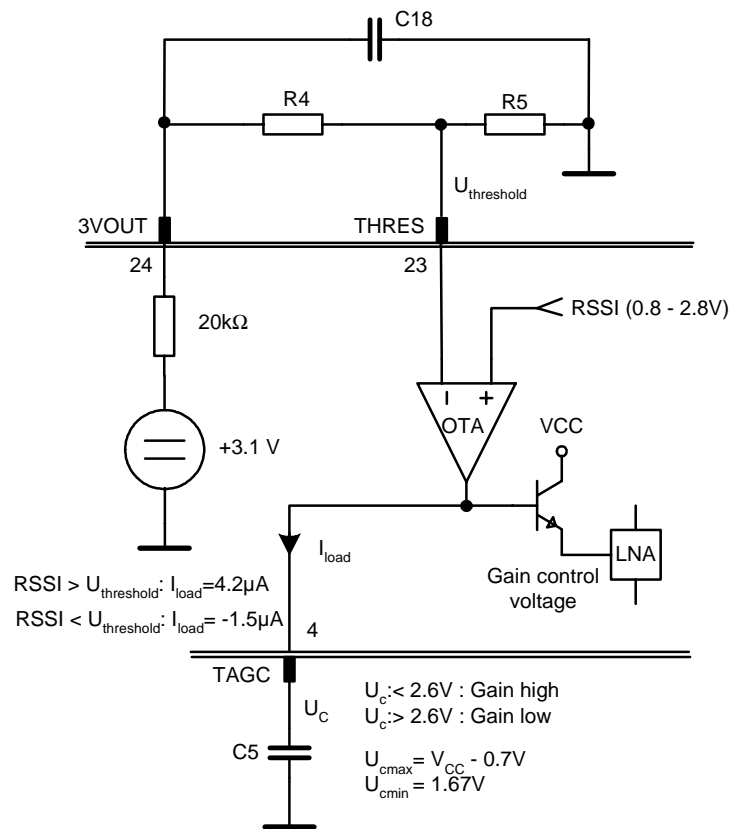


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Figure 4-3 Input reflection and relative gain of the LNA vs. frequency at 869MHz

4.2 AGC

The receiver incorporates an “automatic gain control” (AGC) function to change its gain in accordance with the RF input level. Applying this function will improve the power handling capability of the receiver by almost 20dB. Increasing the voltage at the TAGC control input (Pin 4) beyond a level of approx. 1.3V will reduce the gain of the LNA by 19dB/18dB with 434/868 MHz by shifting the bias point to a low-level current. The low gain mode of the LNA will result in a power handling capability of the receiver for input levels up to 0dBm without degradation. A low signal or an open at TAGC sets the LNA to the high gain mode.



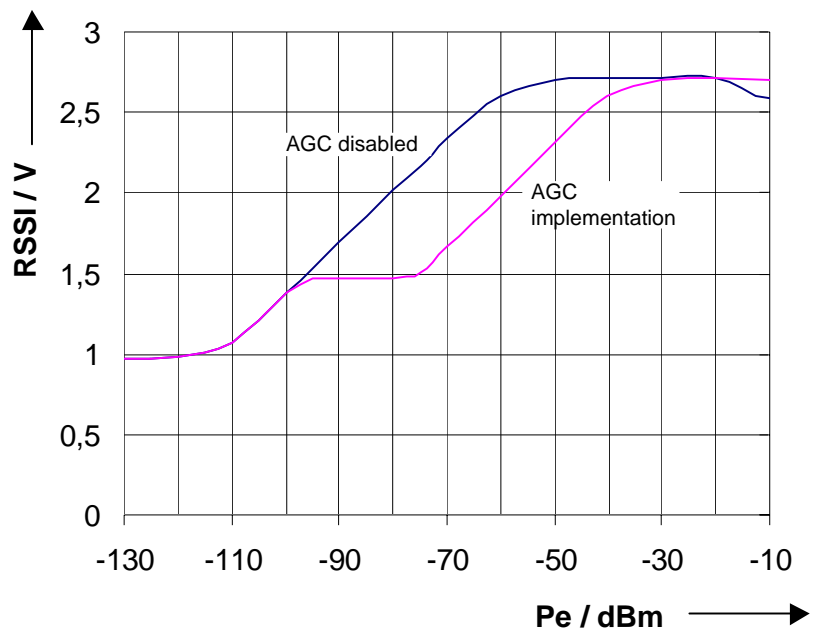
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Figure 4-4 AGC circuit

The AGC function is controlled by a comparator connected to the RSSI voltage. The decision threshold for the start of the AGC function is set by the comparator reference voltage. This voltage is tapped down from the precision 3.0V voltage source at the 3VOUT port (Pin 24) via the R4-R5 voltage divider. If the RSSI voltage reaches the comparator threshold voltage, then the TAGC voltage is pulled up by the transconductance comparator output current. The LNA passes over to the low gain mode.

The threshold of the AGC should be set to the lowest possible receiver input level, in order to optimize the large-signal response of the receiver for the widest possible input level range. However, it must be set higher than the receiver sen-

sitivity limit by at least the value of the gain reduction, so that the mixer does not operate at its sensitivity threshold. With the specified LNA gain reduction of approx. 18 dB, it is recommended that the threshold be dimensioned to a receiver input level of at least 25...30 dB higher than the sensitivity limit value. Figure 4-5 shows the AGC function for a transition level set to -85dBm by a combination of R4=330kΩ and R5=330kΩ.



RSSI.wmf

Figure 4-5 RSSI voltage as a function of input level for AGC implementation

The AGC function is filtered via C5. C5 is charged by the current source at the comparator output by a 4.2µA source and a 1.5µA sink current for a fast attack and slow decay time. The AGC operation should not be triggered by the data signal. Since the AGC operates in a linear mode without any hysteresis, there always is some range of the receiver input level, where the AGC will be affected by the data signal.

The AGC gain at TAGC is 10dB/80mV. Due to the very high total gain within the AGC, the loop will only be stable in case of ASK for

$$C5 \geq 10nF$$

Because of the RF-level is independent from the logik level in case of FSK, the value of C5 is not so critical.

For ASK the following has to be considered:

A recommended value for C5 is 47nF

For a receiver input level above the static AGC threshold level, the RSSI data signal at SLP (Pin19) will show a characteristic overshoot at the positive pulse edge. It is caused by the AGC loop trying to level down the RSSI signal to the preset threshold value. The amplitude and duration of the overshoot is directly related to C5. In order to keep the overshoot below 30% of the signal amplitude, C5 should be designed for a value as shown in the subsequent table.

T_L	C5
0.25ms	10nF
1ms	47nF
2ms	150nF

where T_L is the longest period of no signal change within the data sequence.

The design of the data slicer has to consider the distorted pulse shape. This will be quite unproblematic when applying the adaptive data slicer. For most coding schemes, C5 can even be set to 1/5 of the above value then without a significant degradation of performance.

Using a too small capacitor and receiving an ASK signal with a field strength that is within the control range of the AGC may result in a distortion of the signal at the data filter output.

After the positive edge of the signal the AGC reduces the LNA gain and therefore also the data filter output voltage. The transition from high to low (no RF-signal) induces the AGC to enhance the LNA gain and subsequently the data filter output voltage again. Depending on the time constant of the slicing level a data (slicer output) signal as shown in the Figure 4-6 can be the result.

Example for a too small AGC capacitor relating to the largest low time:

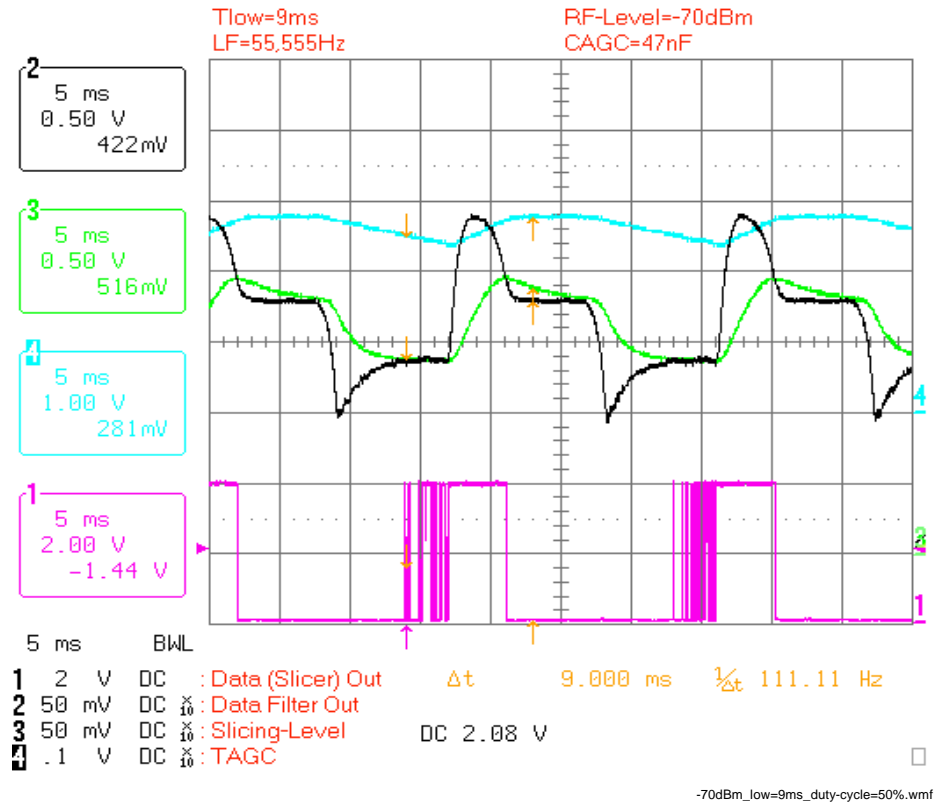


Figure 4-6 AGC time constant; RF-Level=-70dBm

When applying the peak data slicer, however, the threshold has to be reduced to cover the overshoot voltage. A combination of $R2=100k\Omega$ and $R3=390k\Omega$ should be imparted then. Setting the threshold to this lower level will reduce the receiver sensitivity by approx. 6dB, however.

4.3 Mixer

The Double Balanced Mixer is based on a Gilbert Cell configuration with a symmetrical input and a single-ended output. The output presents a 330Ω termination which directly interfaces to 10.7MHz ceramic filters. A LC matching network is used to connect the LNO to the MI or the MIX input. The conversion voltage gain of the mixer with the internal load of 330Ω is 21dB. The receiver uses low-side LO injection. This avoids interference caused by signals at the image frequency range when operated with high-side injection.

Increasing the external load of 330Ω would generally lead to an improved 1dB compression point and also an improvement of the IIP3.

4.4 Overall Performance of the Front End

Table 4-4 shows the overall performance of the LNA and of the mixer at a frequency of 434MHz. Table 4-5 summarizes the same results for the evaluation board operated at 868 MHz.

Table 4-4 Measured Mixer Performance at 434 MHz				
Parameter	LNA		LNA&Mixer	
	low gain	high gain	low gain	high gain
Gain	1 dB	21dB	22 dB	42 dB
Receiver sensitivity			- 95 dBm	- 112 dBm
IIP3	-10 dBm	- 10 dBm	-28 dBm	-48 dBm
1dB compression	- 18 dBm	- 15 dBm	- 31 dBm	- 53 dBm

Table 4-5 Measured Mixer Performance at 868 MHz				
Parameter	LNA		LNA&Mixer	
	low gain	high gain	low gain	high gain
Gain	0 dB	19 dB	19 dB	40 dB
Receiver sensitivity			- 95 dBm	- 112 dBm
IIP3	-5 dBm	- 14 dBm	-26 dBm	-35 dBm
1dB compression	- 6 dBm	- 15 dBm	- 34 dBm	- 55 dBm

Table 4-6 Measured Mixer Performance at 315 MHz				
Parameter	LNA		LNA&Mixer	
	low gain	high gain	low gain	high gain
Gain	2 dB	21 dB	23 dB	42 dB
Receiver sensitivity			- 95 dBm	- 113 dBm
IIP3	-13 dBm	- 10 dBm	-25 dBm	-43 dBm
1dB compression	- 7 dBm	- 14 dBm	- 35 dBm	- 54 dBm

The IIP3 of the mixer and subsequently of the whole system can be shifted to a higher level by adding a resistor between the mixer output and GND. But of course this additional resistor results in a higher current consumption.

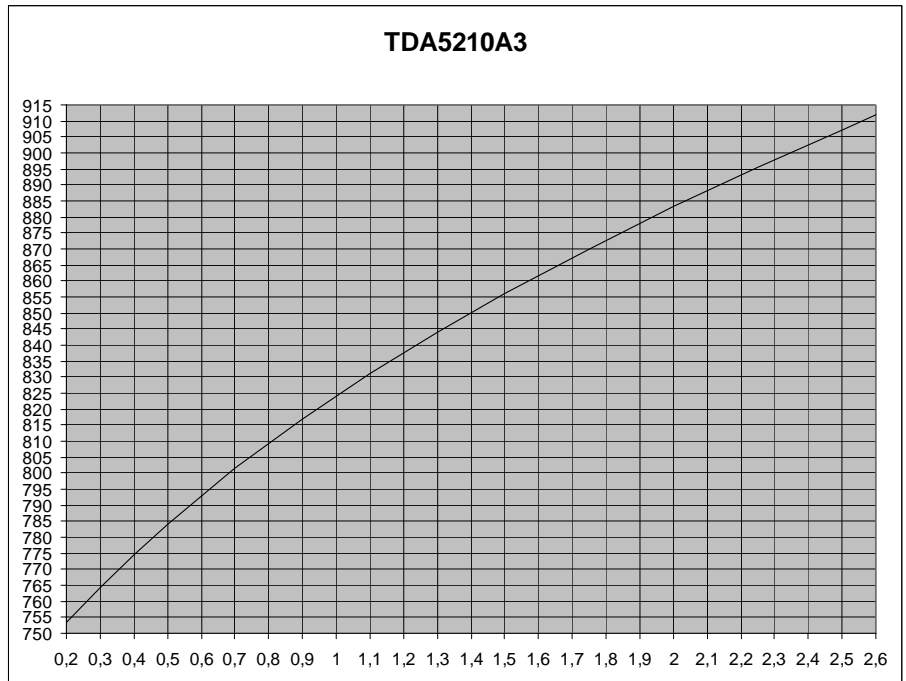
Table 4-7 Measured IIP3 at 434 MHz vs addition resistor

Resistor value	Additional Supply Current (FSK)		IIP3 LNA&Mixer	
	low gain	high gain	low gain	high gain
no resistor		0	-20 dBm	-40 dBm
4k7		320µA	- 15.5 dBm	- 35.5 dBm
1k2		850µA	-11 dBm	-31 dBm

4.5 PLL Synthesizer

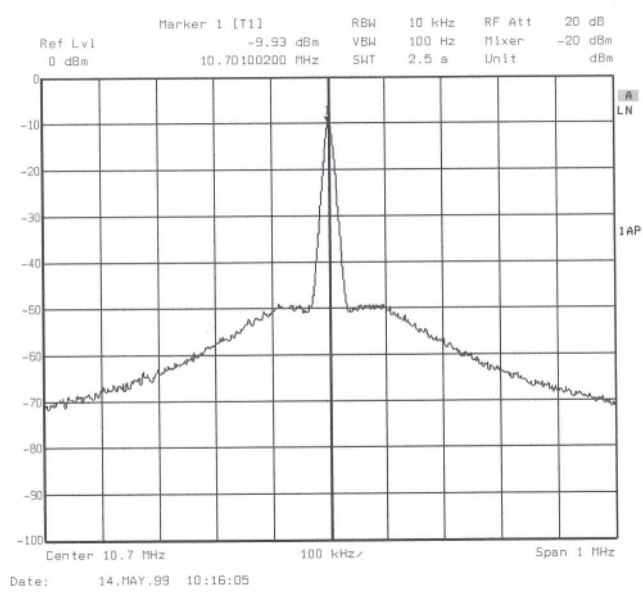
The basic circuit of the PLL frequency synthesizer consists of a VCO operating at a nominal frequency of 840MHz in case of TDA5210 and 330MHz in case of TDA5211 respectively, a frequency divider with a division ratio of either 64 or 128, a frequency/phase discriminator and a reference oscillator. The reference oscillator of the TDA5210 operates at either 13.4MHz or 6.7MHz, the oscillator of the TDA5211 at either 10.2MHz or 5.1MHz. In case of operation at 868.4 MHz the VCO operates at 857.7MHz, for example, This frequency is divided by 64 for operation at a reference frequency of 13.4015625MHz or by 128 at a reference frequency of 6.70078125MHz. For 315MHz, for which the TDA5211 has to be used, the VCO frequency of 651.4MHz can also be divided either by 64 requires a reference frequency of 10.178125MHz or by 128 requires a reference frequency of 5.0890625MHz.

The VCO signal is directly applied to the mixer stage when operating the receiver at 868MHz. For operation at 434MHz and 315MHz respectively, the VCO signal is divided by two to build the injection signal to the mixer. The VCO of the TDA5210 covers a typical frequency range of 765MHz to 910MHz at the limits of the tuning voltage of 4.7V and 2.4V, the one of the TDA5211 covers a frequency range of typically little less than 590MHz to 720MHz inbetween its tuning voltage range. An example of a typical tuning curve is presented in Figure 4-7, the phase noise spectrum of the VCO signal measured with a resolution bandwidth of 10kHz in Figure 4-8. The phase noise spectrum shows the characteristic noise suppression within the loop bandwidth of 150kHz. Sideband noise outside the loop bandwidth at a frequency offset of ±200kHz can be specified at -87dBc/Hz. This noise sets the limit of the adjacent channel suppression of the receiver. The selectivity of the IF filter is bypassed this way.



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Figure 4-7 Typical VCO tuning curve of TDA5210



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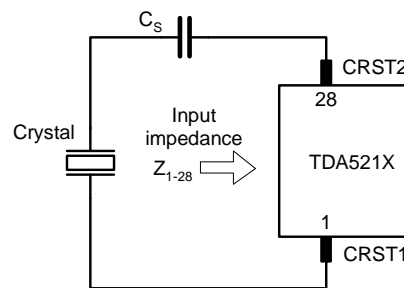
Figure 4-8 Phase noise spectrum of local oscillator

4.6 Reference Oscillator

The receiving frequency and its stability are determined by the reference crystal and the associated oscillator circuit.

The oscillator is a symmetrical configuration of the negative impedance converter type. A resistor and a capacitor are “sign-inverted” to give a negative resistance in series with an inductance between the oscillator ports CRST1 and CRST2, pin1 and pin28. The equivalent impedance parameters of the oscillator presented in Section 5.1.3 of the Specification have been taken between pin1 and pin28 of the TDA521X on the evaluation board.

The value of the capacitor necessary to achieve that the oscillator is operating at the intended frequency is determined by the reactive (inductive) part of the negative resistance of the oscillator circuit and by the crystal specifications given by the crystal manufacturer.



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Figure 4-9 Determination of Series Capacitance Value for the Crystal Oscillator

A crystal is specified with a load capacitance C_L . The series capacitor C_S needed to achieve the wanted oscillation frequency in presence of the above mentioned series reactance imposed by the oscillator circuit can be calculated according to the following formula.

$$C_S = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{C_L} + 2\pi f X_L}$$

with C_L the load capacitance (refer to the quartz crystal specification).

Examples:

6.7 MHz: $C_L = 12 \text{ pF}$ $X_L = 695 \text{ } \Omega$ $C_S = 9.56 \text{ pF}$

13.401 MHz: $C_L = 12 \text{ pF}$ $X_L = 1010 \text{ } \Omega$ $C_S = 5.94 \text{ pF}$

These values may be obtained in high accuracy by putting two capacitors in series to the quartz, such as 27pF and 15pF in the 6.7MHz case and 22pF and 8.2pF in the 13.401MHz case. The calculation of C_S or the two serial resistors respectively for TDA5211 and a oscillator frequency of either 5.1MHz or 10.2MHz can be done in the same way, of course.

The frequency stabilities of both the receiver and the transmitter and the modulation bandwidth set the limit for the bandwidth of the IF filter. To achieve a high receiver sensitivity and efficient suppression of adjacent interference signals, the narrowest possible IF bandwidth should be realized.

The frequency stability of the center frequency of the receiver is affected by a number of factors:

- Tuning tolerance of the crystal
- Temperature stability of the crystal
- Aging of the crystal
- Tolerance of the load capacitor C_L
- Tuning tolerance of the oscillator circuit
- Temperature stability of the oscillator circuit

The first three items are parameters of the crystal specified by the manufacturer.

The so called pulling sensitivity describes the magnitude of the frequency change relating to the variation of the load capacitor.

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial C_L} = -\frac{C_1}{2 \cdot (C_0 + C_L)^2} = \frac{f_s'}{f_s} \frac{\partial f_s'}{\partial C_L}$$

It seems do be the best to chose C_L as large as possible to get a small pulling sensitivity and subsequently keep the influence of the serial capacitor and of its tolerances as small as possible. But C_L mustn't mixed up with the serial capacitance C_s . C_L is the effective value of the capacitance applied to the crystal and is calculated by dividing the impedence in this particular case the capacitive reactance by the angular frequency " ω ".

$$C_L = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{C_s}\right) - \omega^2 L_{osc}}$$

Where L_{osc} is the inductivity of the oscillator occuring on the output between pin 1 and pin 28.

With the aid of this formular it becomes obviously that the higher the serial capacitance C_s , the higher the influence of L_{osc} . Subsequently the tolerances of the oscillator isn't only described by the serial capacitor but also by the tolerances of des oscillator inductivity and even in particular by the absolute value of this inductivity.

Relative frequency change per changing of Cs

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta f_s'}{f_s} &= -\frac{C_1}{2 \times (C_0 + C_L)} \times (1 + \omega^2 L_{osc} C_L) \\ &= \frac{SD}{SC_L} \times (1 + \omega^2 L_{osc} C_L) \end{aligned}$$

Relative frequency change per changing of L_{osc}

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta f_s'}{f_s} &= -(2\pi f_s')^2 \times \frac{C_1}{2 \times (C_0 + C_L)^2} \times C_L^2 \\ &= \frac{\delta D}{\delta C_L} \times (2\pi f_s')^2 \times C_L^2 \end{aligned}$$

In the suitable range for the serial capacitor, either capacitors with a tolerance of 0,1pF or with a tolerance of 1% are available.

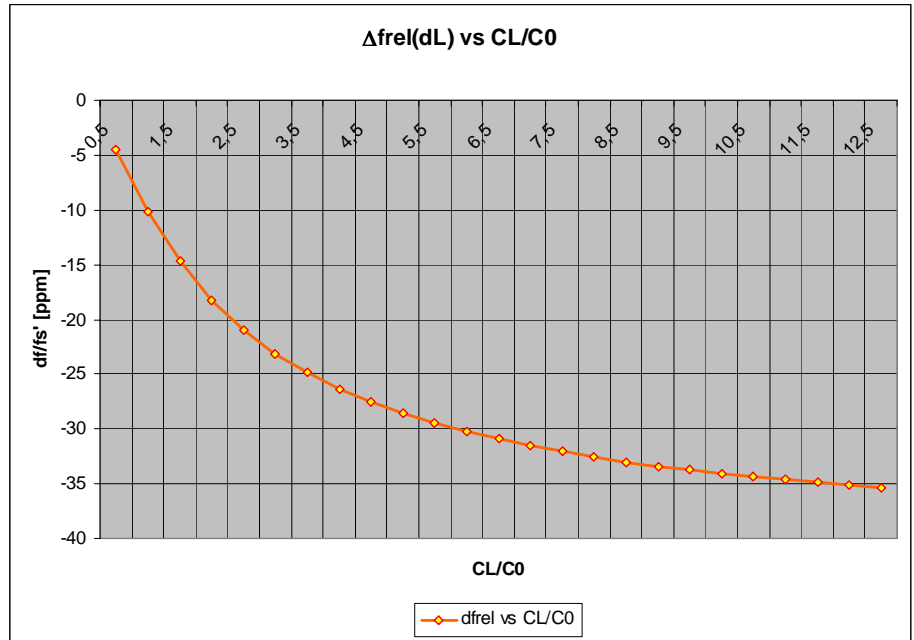
The tolerance of the internal oscillator inductivity is much higher, so the inductivity is the dominating value for the tolerance over a large C_L/C₀ range.

Assuming the crystal parameters,

fs' = 13,40155MHz, C1=4,75fF, C0=1,29pF

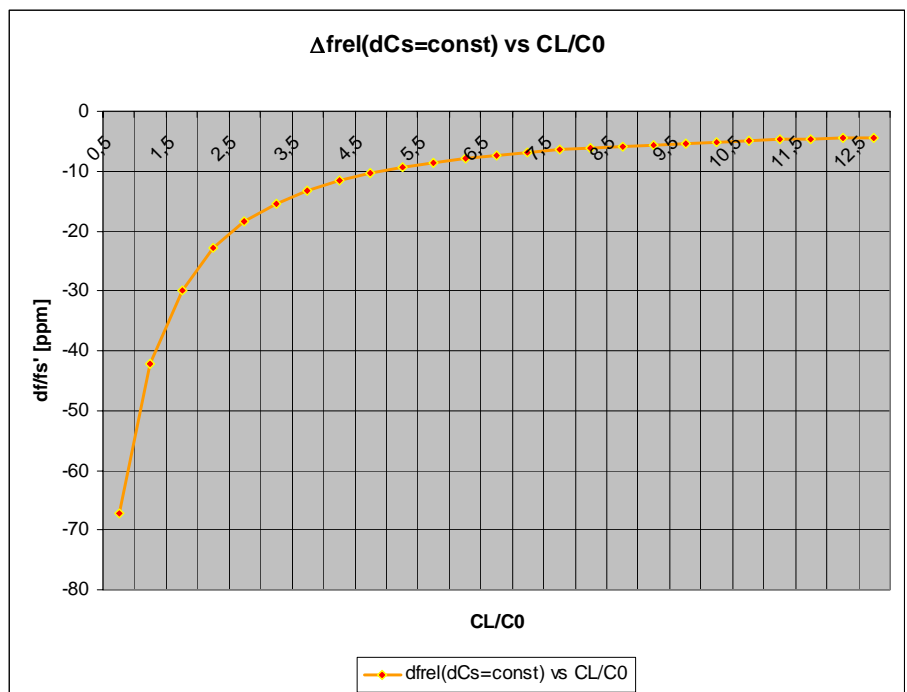
and an inductivity of the oscillator of 12µH,

Figure 4-10 shows the frequency error of the oscillator caused by a 20% deviation of the inductivity as a function of CL/C0. Below the frequency error caused by a deviation of the serial capacitor Cs by 0.1pF from the correct value shown in Figure 4-11 and by 1% from the correct value shown in Figure 4-12, both as a function of CL/C0. The entire error caused by the inductivity and Cs is represented in Figure 4-13, one the one hand with the constant deviation ΔCs of 0.1pF, one the other hand with the constant relative failure ΔCs/Cs of 1%



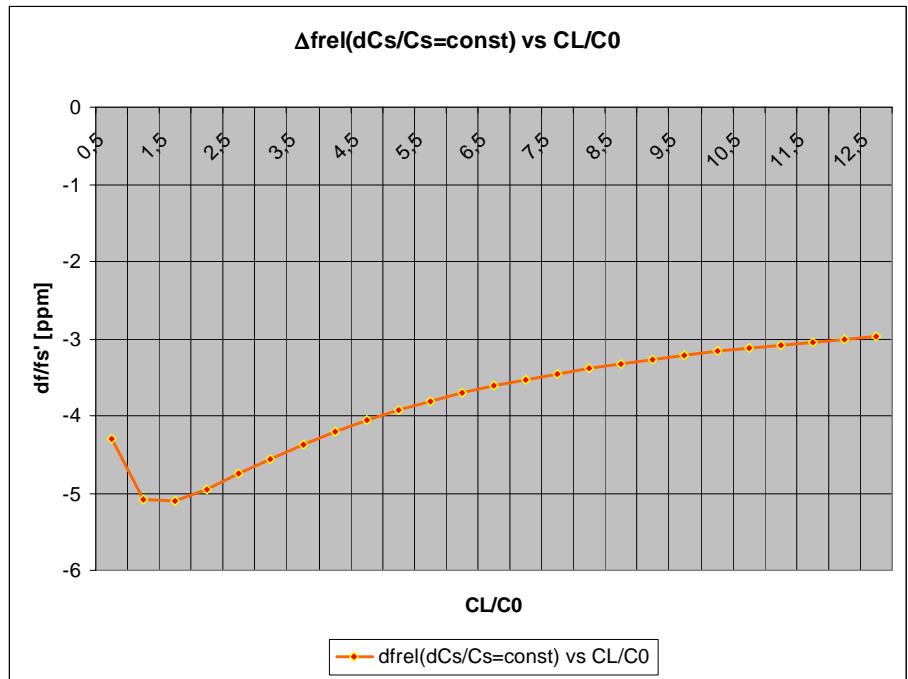
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Figure 4-10 Tolerances caused by ΔL of 20%



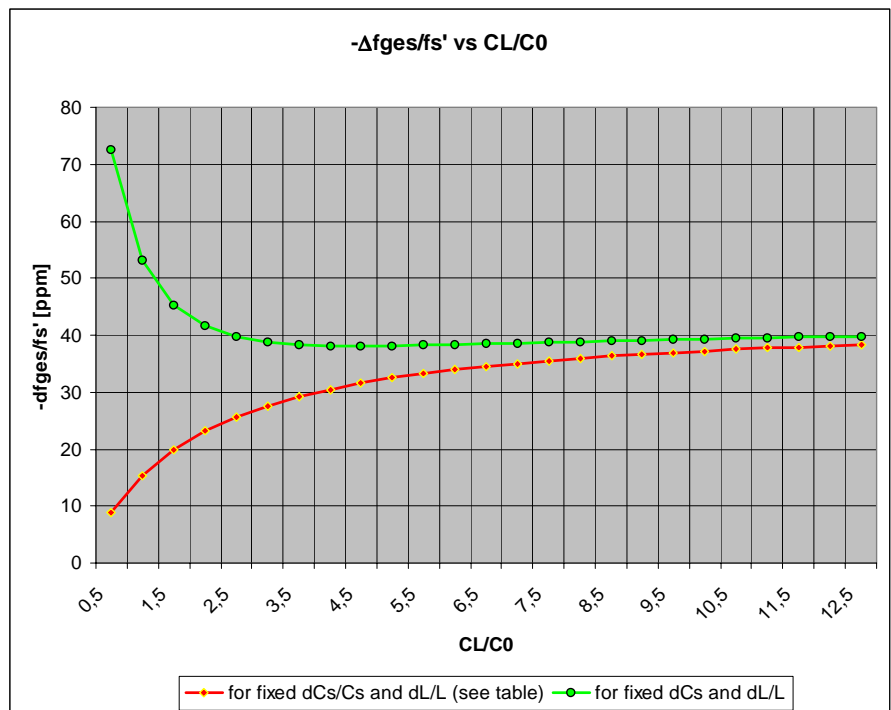
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Figure 4-11 Tolerance of the oscillator caused by ΔCs of 0.1pF



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Figure 4-12 Tolerance of the oscillator caused by ΔCs of 1%



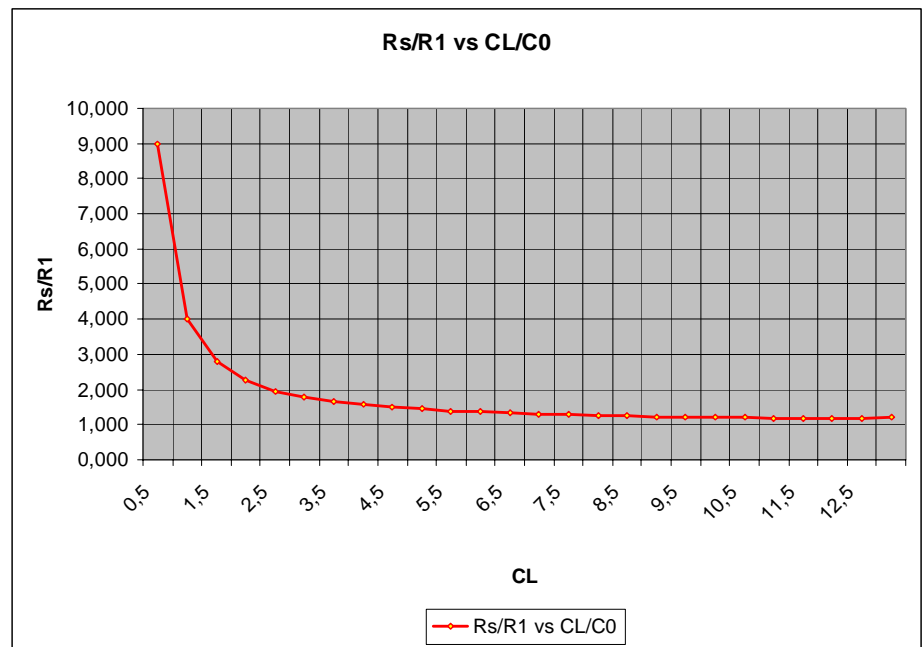
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Figure 4-13 Tolerance of the oscillator caused by ΔL and ΔCs

Especially in the case of constant relative failure $\Delta C_s/C_s$ (1%) the frequency error increases with an increasing CL relating to C0, although the pulling sensitivity decreases.

But decreasing CL is limited by the fact, that the smaller CL the higher the resistance R_s appearing on the pins of the crystal, which is presented in Figure 4-14.

R_1 is the dynamic resistance of the equivalent circuit of the crystal.



Rs_to_R1_vs_CL_to_C0.wmf

Figure 4-14 R_s/R_1 vs CL/C0

In the following table an assessment of the worst case overall frequency spread to be expected in case of operation at 868MHz with a 13.4MHz Jauch reference crystal as denoted in the Bill of Materials in Table 5-1 is shown. The calculation is taking into account the tolerance of the crystal and of the components in the oscillator circuit which are determining the tuning tolerance and temperature stability of the circuit. Note that the result is a sum of the squares of the individual terms.

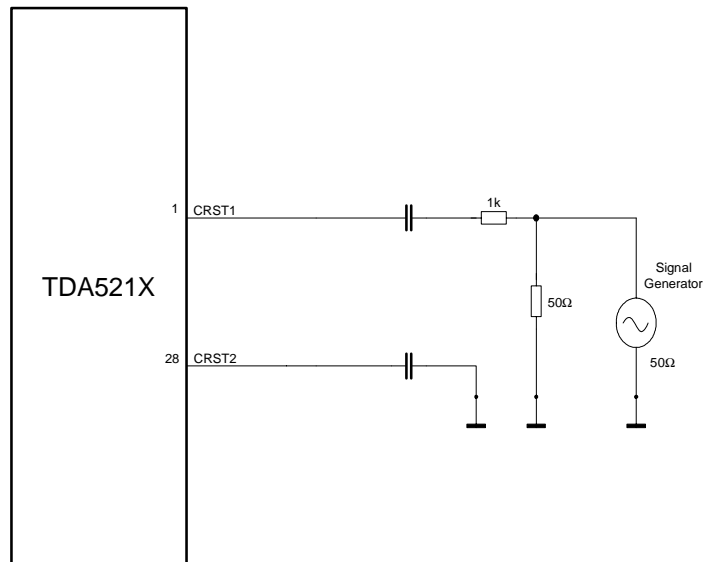
A spreadsheet¹ may be obtained from Infineon which can be used to predict the total frequency error (3σ) by simply entering the crystal specification.

The Table 4-8 referring to the crystal specification described above.

1.available for download on the Infineon RKE Webpage www.infineon.com/rke, also included on evalkit CD-ROM

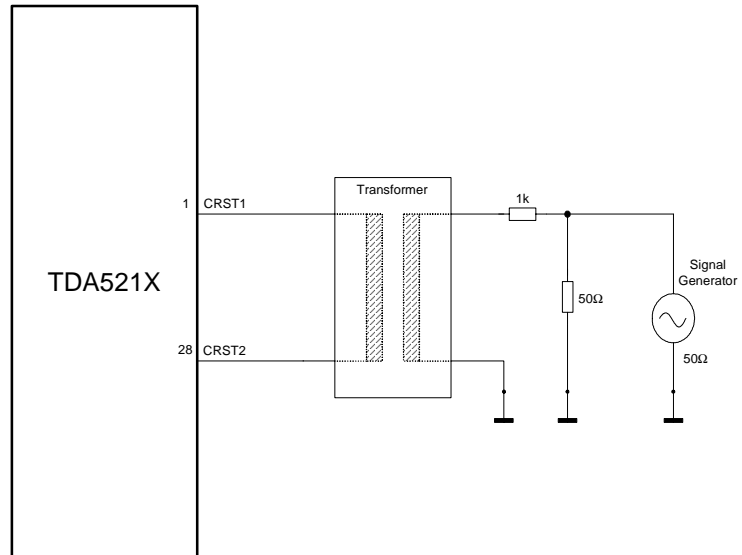
Table 4-8 Assessment of the Frequency Error of the Crystal Oscillator		
Tolerance of the crystal	tuning $\pm 10\text{ppm}$	$\pm 10\text{ppm}$
	temperature stability $\pm 20\text{ppm}$	$\pm 20\text{ppm}$
Tolerance of the circuit	tolerance of the series load capacitor $\pm 1\%$	$\pm 3\text{ppm}$
	tolerance of the oscillator circuit (3σ spread of internal component values assumed), calculated with spread sheet	$\pm 33\text{ppm}$
Total frequency error (3σ spread)	without temperature drift, according to spread sheet	$\pm 34\text{ppm}$
	with temperature drift	$\pm 54\text{ppm}$

There is also the possibility to force the oscillator with an external signal, shown in Figure 4-15 and Figure 4-16.



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Figure 4-15 Forcing the crystal oscillator without a transformer



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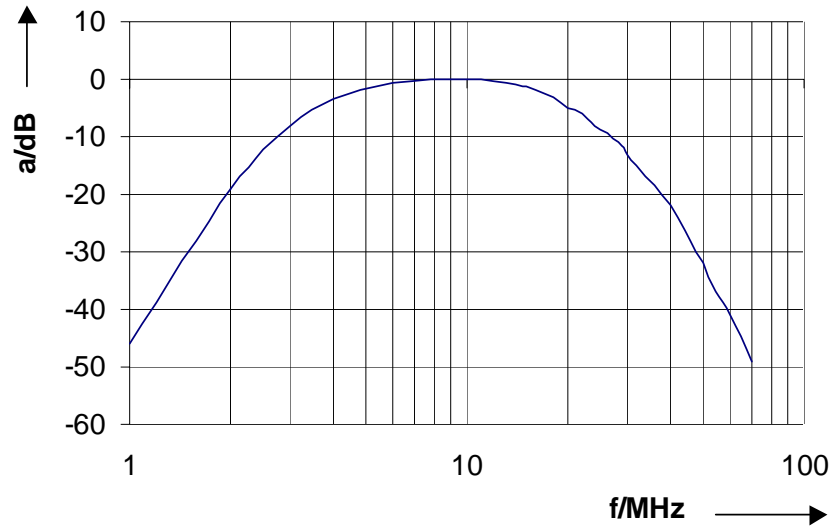
Figure 4-16 Forcing the crystal oscillator with a transformer

4.7 IF Section

4.7.1 IF Amplifier

The IF section is an AC-coupled high-gain differential input, single-ended output amplifier. It utilizes three identical gain stages each with a Received Signal Strength Indicator detector. The RSSI signal of the IF amplifier is obtained by summing the individual detector signals. The differential input resistance has been set internally to 330Ω. Single-ended operation of the amplifier presents the nominal load to the ceramic IF filter.

Figure 4-17 shows the frequency response of the IF amplifier. It can be used at all IF frequencies within the range of 3MHz and 25MHz without significant degradation of the overall performance of the receiver.



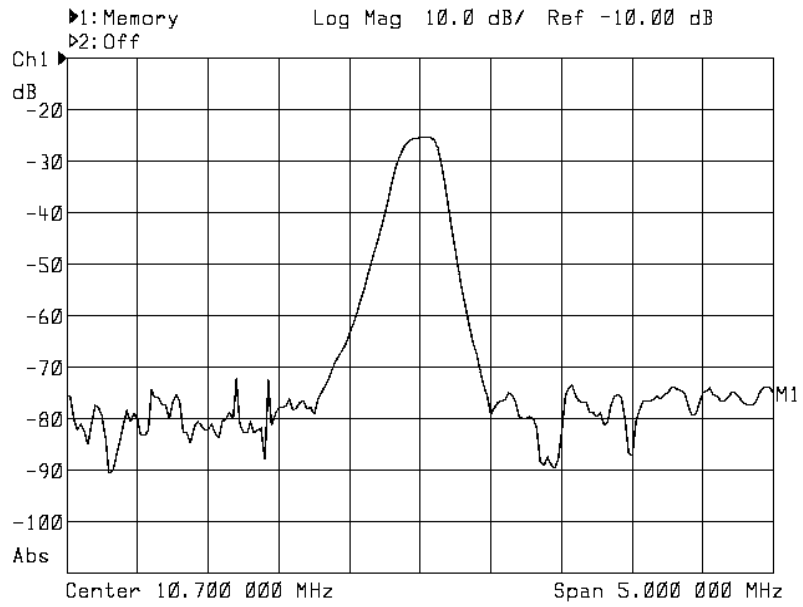
Frequency response IF.ampl.wmf

Figure 4-17 Frequency response of the IF amplifier.

4.7.2 IF Filtering

The TDA 521X has been designed to be used with a low-cost ceramic IF filter. Those filters are supplied with a wide variety of bandwidth between 60kHz and 300kHz. The nominal input and output impedance is specified at 330Ω. The frequency response of such a filter with a nominal bandwidth of 230kHz imparted to the evaluation board is shown in Figure 4-18. The filter characteristic may be degraded by oscillator and signal feed-through to the input of the IF amplifier. Both signals may convert to the IF frequency at the IF amplifier, bypassing the IF filter. This effect can be clearly demonstrated at high input levels. A simple low-pass filter in front of the IF amplifier may keep the RF signals from entering. In most cases a careful layout of the board gives adequate decoupling.

Please note that the far off suppression may be as low as 30 dB. Filters like the Murata SFE 10.7 MA5-A even show a peak at 4.5MHz in the frequency response. Thus beside the excepted IF of 10.7MHz also unwanted signals 6.2MHz away from the IF may influence the following demodulation chain.



Frequencyresponse.wmf

Figure 4-18 IF frequency response

The bandwidth of the IF filter should be set to a value where the modulation signal is reliably transferred under the influence of the frequency tolerance of the transmitter and the receiver.

Table 4-9 Design Example: IF Bandwidth Calculation (3σ value)		
Transmit frequency	434.4MHz	
Modulation ASK4kbit/s	4kbit/s	
Frequency tolerance of the transmitter		± 63ppm
Frequency tolerance of the receiver		± 54ppm
Tolerance of the center frequency of the IF filter	± 30kHz	± 69ppm
Total tolerance		±108ppm
Spectrum of modulation	±1.5*4kbit/s = ± 6kHz	±14ppm

The IF bandwidth therefore should be:

$$B_{IF} \geq \pm (108\text{ppm}+14\text{ppm}) * 434\text{MHz} = \pm 53\text{kHz} = 106\text{kHz}$$

4.8 ASK/FSK Switch Functional Description

The TDA5210 is containing an ASK/FSK switch which can be controlled via Pin 15 (MSEL). This switch is actually consisting of 2 operational amplifiers that are having a gain of 1 in case of the ASK amplifier and a gain of 11 in case of the FSK amplifier in order to achieve an appropriate demodulation gain characteristic. In order to compensate for the DC-offset generated especially in case of the FSK PLL demodulator there is a feedback connection between the threshold voltage of the bit slicer comparator (Pin 20) to the negative input of the FSK switch amplifier. This is shown in the following figure.

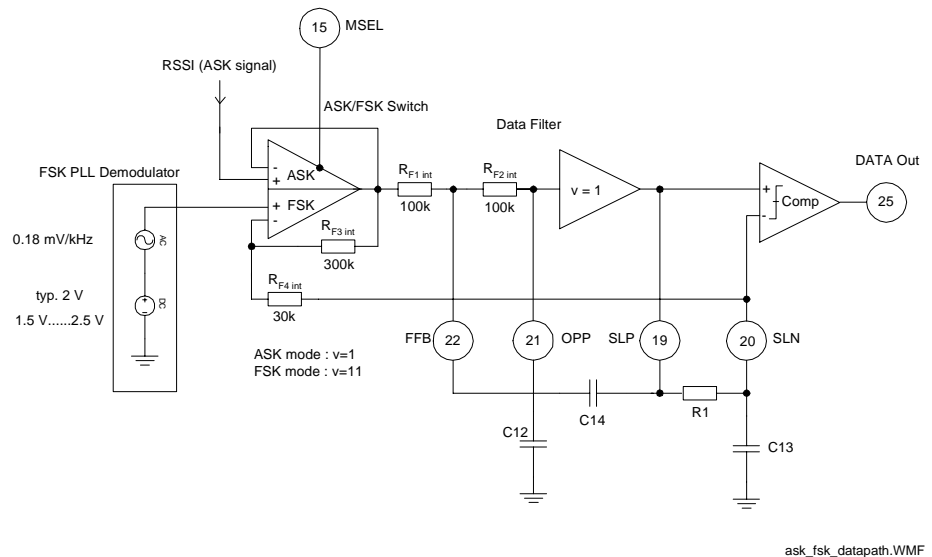


Figure 4-19 ASK/FSK mode datapath

4.8.1 FSK Mode

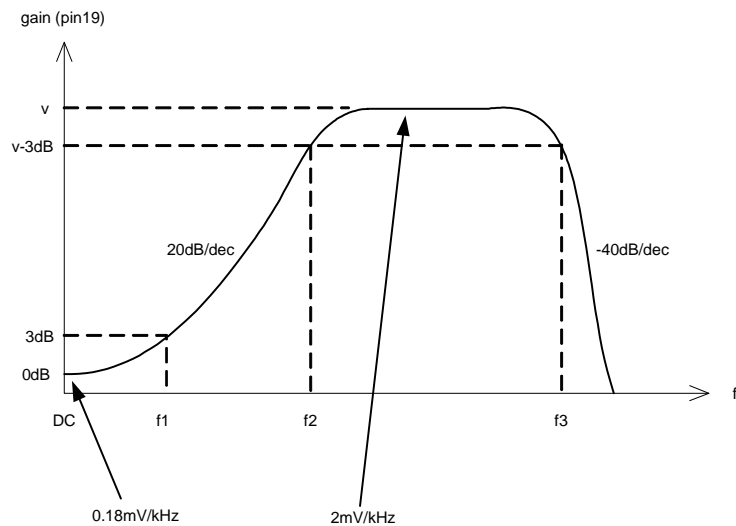
The FSK datapath has a bandpass characteristic due to the feedback shown above (highpass) and the data filter (lowpass). The lower cutoff frequency f_2 is determined by the external RC-combination. The upper cutoff frequency f_3 is determined by the data filter bandwidth.

The demodulation gain of the FSK PLL demodulator is $180\mu\text{V}/\text{kHz}$. This gain is increased by the gain v of the FSK switch, which is 11. Therefore the resulting dynamic gain of this circuit is $2\text{mV}/\text{kHz}$ within the bandpass. The gain for the DC content of FSK signal remains at $180\mu\text{V}/\text{kHz}$. The cutoff frequencies of the bandpass have to be chosen such that the spectrum of the data signal is influenced in an acceptable amount.

In case that the user data is containing long sequences of logical zeroes the effect of the drift-off of the bit slicer threshold voltage can be lowered if the offset voltage inherent at the negative input of the slicer comparator (Pin 20) is used. The comparator has no hysteresis built in.

This offset voltage is generated by the bias current of the negative input of the comparator (i.e. 20nA) running over the external resistor R. This voltage raises the voltage appearing at pin 20 (e.g. 1mV with R = 100kΩ). In order to obtain benefit of this asymmetrical offset for the demodulation of long zeros the lower of the two FSK frequencies should be chosen in the transmitter as the zero-symbol frequency.

In the following figure the shape of the above mentioned bandpass is shown.



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Figure 4-20 Frequency characteristic in case of FSK mode

The cutoff frequencies are calculated with the following formulas:

$$f_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi \frac{R1 \times 330k\Omega}{R1 + 330k\Omega} \times C13}$$

$$f_2 = v \times f_1 = 11 \times f_1$$

$$f_3 = f_{3dB}$$

f₃ is the 3dB cutoff frequency of the data filter - see Section 4.10.

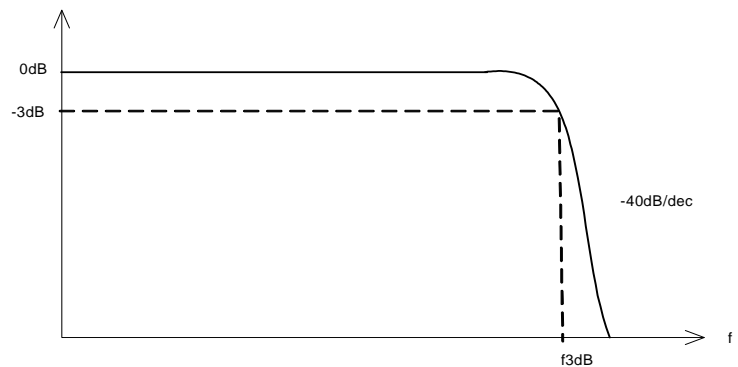
Example:

R1 = 100kΩ, C13 = 47nF

This leads to f₁ = 44Hz and f₂ = 485Hz

4.8.2 ASK Mode

In case the receiver is operated in ASK mode the datapath frequency characteristic is dominated by the data filter alone, thus it is lowpass shaped. The cutoff frequency is determined by the external capacitors C12 and C14 and the internal 100k resistors as described in Section 4.10.



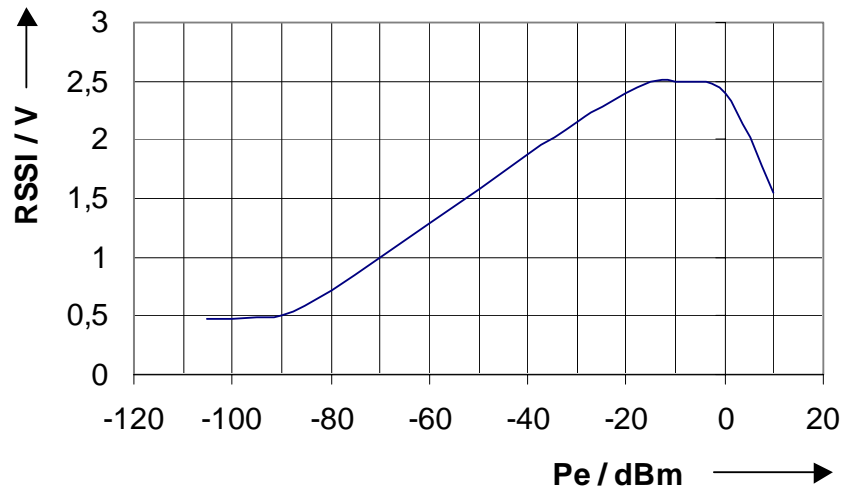
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Figure 4-21 Frequency characteristic in case of ASK mode

4.9 Demodulation

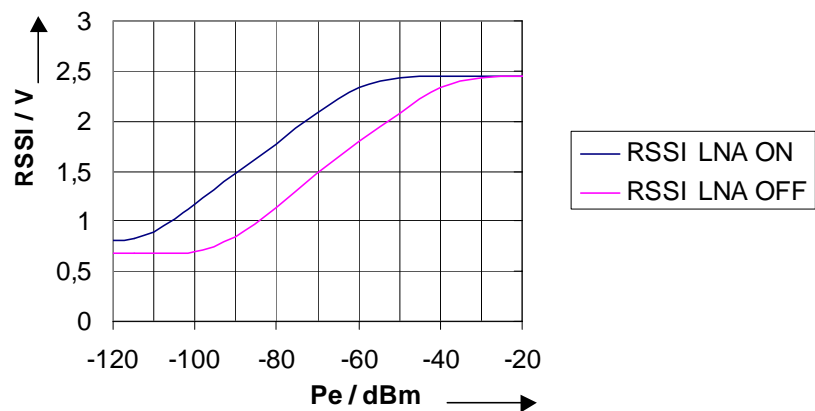
4.9.1 ASK Demodulation

After passing the IF filter, the IF signal is fed to the limiter. The limiter serves two functions: amplification and demodulation of the filtered IF signal. The limiter rectifies the IF in order to demodulate the received signal. The demodulated signal is referred to as the RSSI signal. Figure 4-22 shows the relation between the RSSI voltage level and the limiter input IF level at LIM, pin17. As can be seen, the RSSI function is linear to the log. of the limiter input level over a range of 80dB. The receiver can detect a modulated carrier over an input signal dynamic range of more than 80dB. Applying the integrated AGC function, this range will be extended by another 18dB to a total dynamic range of 95dB. The maximum input level that can be detected by the receiver is approx. 0dBm. This value greatly depends on the depth of modulation of the transmitter signal.



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Figure 4-22 Limiter demodulator characteristics



RSSI_vs_LNA.wmf

Figure 4-23 RSSI Voltage vs. Receiver Input Level

Figure 4-18, Figure 4-22 and Figure 4-23 give some interesting information about the interaction of the different gain blocks of the receiver.

The voltage gain between the antenna input and the limiter input is 40dB.

The LNA block adds approx. 7dB of noise at the mixer input to the receiver.

Following the formula for the noise figure NF_c of cascaded blocks with individual noise figures $NF1$ and $NF2$ and the gain $G1$

$$NF_c = NF1 + \frac{NF2 - 1}{G1}$$

it is quite evident that the given factor of $7\text{dB} \cong 5$ is the factor between the two terms of the above formula. Applying this formula, it can be concluded that the LNA gain, G_{LNA} can be reduced by 3dB without degrading the overall noise characteristics of the receiver significantly. The factor between the two terms in the formula will then be $4\text{dB} \cong 2.5$, then resulting in a total noise figure of

$$NF_{\text{C}} = NF_{\text{LNA}} + \frac{NF_{\text{MX}} - 1}{G_{\text{LNA}}} = NF_{\text{LNA}} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2.5}\right) = 1.4 NF_{\text{LNA}}$$

The noise of the LNA (having a noise figure of NF_{LNA}) will then contribute just $1.4 \cong 1.4\text{dB}$ to the total noise of the receiver.

The converter block (LNA in cascade with the mixer stage) adds approx. 10dB of noise to the receiver at the input of the limiter. Applying the above formula for the cascaded noise figure again, it can be concluded that the converter gain could be reduced by 6dB without reducing the overall sensitivity of the receiver significantly. The receiver sensitivity will drop by 1.4dB.

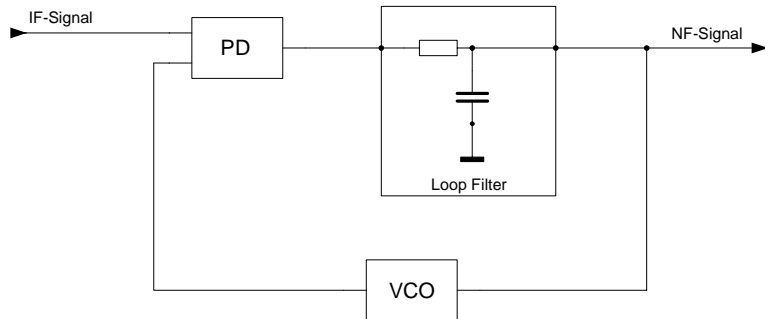
The circuit thus gives some margin to apply filters with higher losses at the IF and at the LNA output.

4.9.2 FSK Demodulation

The FSK-Demodulator realized in the TDA521X is a PLL-Demodulator.

The phase of the IF-signal and VCO output signal are compared against one another in the "phase detector circuit" (PD). The voltage on the phase detector output is proportional to the phase difference of the two input signals. This voltage is feed via the loop filter to the VCO-control input, to track and match the VCO-frequency to the IF-frequency. Applying a FM/FSK-signal the loop filter output signal is an image of the original NF-signal modulated onto the carrier coupled with a DC-voltage as a function of the center frequency. To reduce the influence of the center frequency on the DC-voltage on the output of FSK-switch and data filter subsequently, a negative DC-feedback is realized as explained in Chapter 4.8.1 (see also Figure 4-19).

Because of the wide bandwidth of the PLL of $\pm 500\text{kHz}$, not only fast catching, but also demodulation of a RF-frequency causing an IF-frequency in that band is enabled. Therefore deviation of the IF-frequency from the nominal value - inside the band of $\pm 500\text{kHz}$ - , caused by the tolerances of the reference oscillator for instance, does not effect the FSK-demodulation.



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Figure 4-24 Block diagram of the FSK-PLL-Demodulator

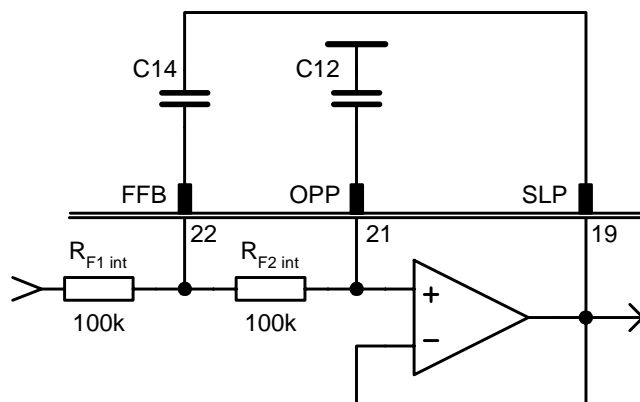
The amplitude on the PLL-Demodulator output is not depending on the IF-signal amplitude, but only on the deviation of the FSK-signal. Using a data signal with a frequency between f_2 and f_3 according Figure 4-20 in Chapter 4.8.1, not too close by one of this, the amplitude on the output of the FSK-switch is still only a function of the deviation. Outside of this bandwidth the amplitude is also a function of the frequency of the data signal, as shown in Figure 4-20. The upper cut-off-frequency f_3 is round about 52kHz as indicated in Table 4-10.

Table 4-10 Data-Frequency response of the FSK-switch			
Frequency of the data signal	Amplitude on the FSK-switch out		Deviation
[kHz]	[mV]	[dBr] ^a	[kHz]
5	714	0	±150
20	659	-0.7	±150
30	636	-1	±150
43	567	-2	±150
52	506	-3	±150
62.5	420	-4.6	±150

a. dB relating to the reference. Reference value is amplitude at 5kHz

4.10 Data Filtering

Utilising the on-board voltage follower and the two 100kΩ on-chip resistors a 2nd order Sallen-Key low pass data filter can be constructed by adding 2 external capacitors between pins 19 (SLP) and 22 (FFB) and to pin 21 (OPP) as depicted in the following figure and described in the following formulas¹. As can be seen from Figure 4-25, the cutoff frequency can be set by the external components C12 and C14. The data filter bandwidth should be set according to the highest frequency component of the baseband signal received. A wider data filter bandwidth does reduce the sensitivity by passing a wider spectrum of noise to the data slicer.



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Figure 4-25 Data Filter Design

$$C14 = \frac{2Q\sqrt{b}}{R2\pi f_{3dB}} \quad C12 = \frac{\sqrt{b}}{4QR\pi f_{3dB}}$$

$$R_{F1int} = R_{F2int} = R$$

with

$$Q = \frac{\sqrt{b}}{a}$$

Q...quality factor of the poles

Where in case of a Bessel filter a = 1.3617, b = 0.618

and thus Q = 0.577

1. taken from Tietze/Schenk: Halbleiterschaltungstechnik, Springer Berlin, 1999

and in case of a Butterworth filter $a = 1.414$, $b = 1$

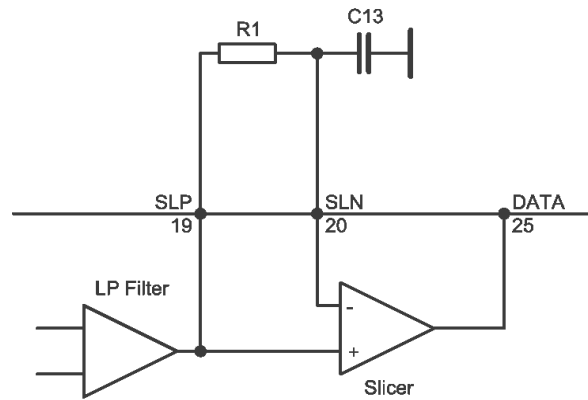
and thus $Q = 0.71$

Example: Butterworth filter with $f_{3dB} = 5\text{kHz}$ and $R = 100\text{k}\Omega$:

$C14 = 450\text{pF}$, $C12 = 225\text{pF}$

4.11 Data Slicer

The filtered data signal is fed to the data slicer, which is a one-bit analog-to-digital converter that makes the bit decision and provides a digital data slicer. There are two different internal analog-to-digital converters. They differ in how to generate the slice reference.



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Figure 4-26 Data slicer with adaptive slice reference

As can be seen from Figure 4-26, the first circuit is the conventional adaptive data slicer deriving the threshold by means of a separate low-pass filter. This data slicer should be used for digital conversion of coded signals with no or only small DC components. The low-pass filter is designed for a long time constant in order to derive the average RSSI value (DC component of data) as an adaptive reference for the data slicer. As a design rule, the time constant T_A should be at least 3 times the longest period T_L of no signal change within the data sequence

$$T_A \geq 3 \times T_L$$

T_A can be calculated as

$$T_A = \frac{R1 \cdot (R_{F3int} + R_{F4int})}{R1 + R_{F3int} + R_{F4int}} \cdot C13 = R1 || (R_{F3int} + R_{F4int}) \cdot C13 \quad \dots \text{for ASK}$$

and

$$T_A = \frac{R1 \cdot R_{F4int}}{R1 + R_{F3int} + R_{F4int}} \cdot C13 = \frac{R1 || (R_{F3int} + R_{F4int})}{v} \cdot C13 \quad \dots \text{for FSK}$$

$R1$, R_{F3int} , R_{F4int} and $C13$ see also Figure 4-1

This will result in a temporary shift of the reference level by -3.5dB of the data signal amplitude.

The time constant selected directly affects the data slicer run-in time and as a result the receiver settling time.

The calculation above yields the T_A of the TDA521X, in contrast to the one from TDA520X, where T_A has to be calculated as

$$T_A = R_1 \times C_{13}$$

The Relation between T_A and the lower cut-off frequency f_2 of the ASK/FSK-Switch (see also chapter „4.8.1 FSK Mode“) is shown below.

Considering the formula of f_2 given in chapter „4.8.1 FSK Mode“

$$f_2 = v \cdot f_1$$

it can be easily seen, that f_2 can also be calculated as

$$f_2 = v \cdot f_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot C_{13} \cdot \frac{R_{11}(R_{F3int} + R_{F4int})}{v}}$$

Applying additional the formula of T_A given above, f_2 can be calculated as

$$f_2 = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot T_A}$$

Naming the ratio between T_A / T_L as „ r_t “ and considering, that

$$f_{data\ min} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot T_L}$$

the ratio between $f_{data\ min}$ and f_2 is given as

$$\frac{f_{data\ min}}{f_2} = \pi \cdot r_t$$

Example:

Choosing T_A at least three times higher than T_L ($r_t = 3$), as recommended above, results in

$$\frac{f_{data\ min}}{f_2} = 3 \cdot \pi \approx 9,425$$

which should be sufficiently high for most of the applications.

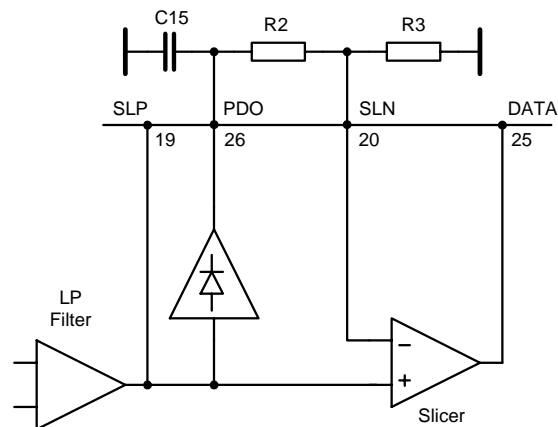
The applications shown in Figure 4-28, Figure 4-29 and Figure 4-31 are only usable in ASK mode.

As can be seen in Figure 4-19 the ASK/FSK switch is connected via a 300k and 30k resistor with pin 20. That's the reason why the resistance R2/R3 "seen" by pin 20 in Figure 4-27 and Figure 4-28 must not be too high, otherwise a inadmissible ripple caused by the data signal is applied to the negative input of the data slicer.

Figure 4-27 shows the alternate clamping data slicer which references its bit decision to the positive peak level of the data signal. This data slicer can be used with coding schemes employing high DC content. The decay time constant T_P of the peak detector should be designed to hold the detector voltage level well above the decision threshold of the comparator for a time long enough to bridge the longest time T_L with no level change within the data stream. This is most important for low data levels at the sensitivity threshold of the receiver. On the other hand T_P should be short enough to follow the variations of the received signal level. As a design rule, the time constant should be

$$T_P = (R_2 + R_3) \times C_{15} \geq 20 \times T_{L_1}$$

The comparator threshold will be set by the division ratio of the voltage divider R2 /R3. The voltage drop across R2 acts like an additional offset voltage across the comparator input. It should be set to a value just big enough for a glitch-free decoding of a noisy signal at the receiver sensitivity threshold. Setting the threshold beyond the noise level of the receiver will give an operation similar to a squelch function. The data output will be held in a high state without a signal at the receiver input then. There will be some degradation in receiver sensitivity when applying the clamping data slicer.



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Figure 4-27 Data slicer with clamping slice reference

The data output DATA, pin25 is a common collector stage utilizing an internal pull-down resistor of 40kΩ. The bandwidth of this output is limited to approx. 60kHz when loaded by 1MΩ//10pF. This limits the data rate to a maximum of 120kbit/s. Higher capacitive loading at the data output will further reduce the bandwidth. The bandwidth of the RSSI decoder, the low-pass filter and the data slicer are internally limited to >100kHz.

In case of using the adaptive data slicer the evaluation board has been designed for

$$T_A = R1 \times C13 = 100k\Omega \times 47nF = 4.7ms$$

The longest uncompensated DC component of the decoded data stream therefore should not exceed 1.5ms. The lower frequency of the data stream is limited to 330Hz this way.

When using the peak data slicer, T_P has been designed for

$$TP = (R2 + R3) \times C15 = (100k\Omega + 820k\Omega) \times 47nF = 43ms$$

The longest uncompensated DC component of the data stream is limited to 2.1ms now. The lower frequency limit of the data slicer has been extended down to 250Hz.

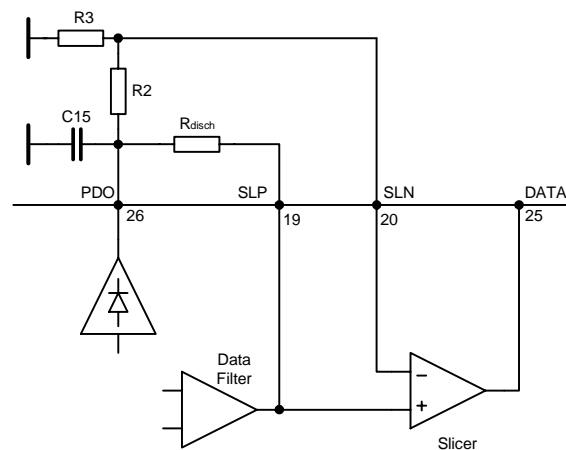
The disadvantage of the application shown in Figure 4-27 is the dependance of the duty cycle on the DC level of the data filter output signal and therefore also on the RF level.

The necessary slicing level for getting a duty cycle of approximately 50% for a stronger signal is to low for a weak signal. Because of this the sensitivity is virtually reduced.

Coding schemes with long break times between the preamble and the real data, for instance the shark protocol, cause also problems with such an application.

Even for a large decay time $T_p = (R2 + R3) \times C15$, causing problems after interferer appears, the slicing level will drop below the data filter output voltage because of discharging C16 against GND, especially for small signals.

To avoid on the one hand the necessity of too large decay time and therefore large recovery time after appearance of interferer or on the other hand a invalid data signal the following application shown in Figure 4-28 is useful.



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Figure 4-28 Slicing level derived from peak detector¹

1.As the circuits or parts of the circuits shown in Figure 4-28, Figure 4-31, Figure 4-34 and Figure 4-35 are not used in the Infineon Evalboard an index is used (not only a number).

The peak detector capacitor will be discharged mainly against the data filter output and not against GND. The value of R_{disch} should be chosen high enough considering the low current ($40\mu A$) of the current source for biasing the emitter follower on the data filter output. R_2+R_3 should be at least 3 times R_{disch} .

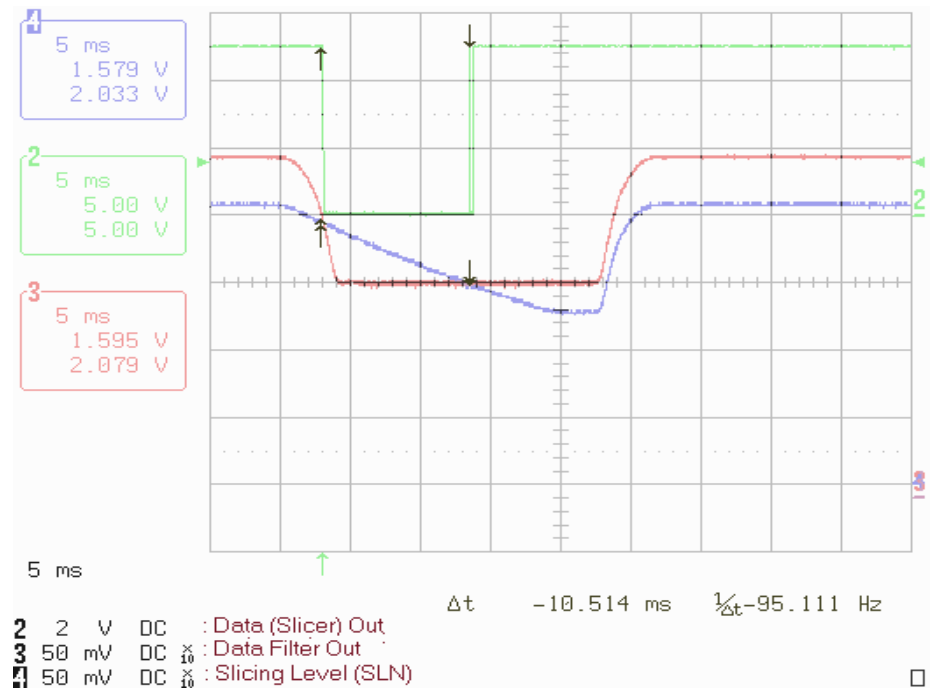
$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{Decay} &\approx (R_2 + R_3) // R_{disch} \cdot C_{15} \\ &\approx R_{disch} \cdot C_{15} \quad \text{for } R_2 + R_3 \gg R_{disch} \end{aligned}$$

The steady state voltage of the peak detector output during no transmission of data is given as

$$U_{PDO, steady state} = U_{data filter, Noise\ floor} \times \frac{R_2 + R_3}{R_2 + R_3 + R_{disch}}$$

The steady state voltage of the slicing level during no data transmission can be calculated as

$$U_{SLN, steady state} = \frac{R_3}{R_2 + R_3 + R_{disch}}$$



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Figure 4-29 Discharging to GND; RF-Level = -65dBm

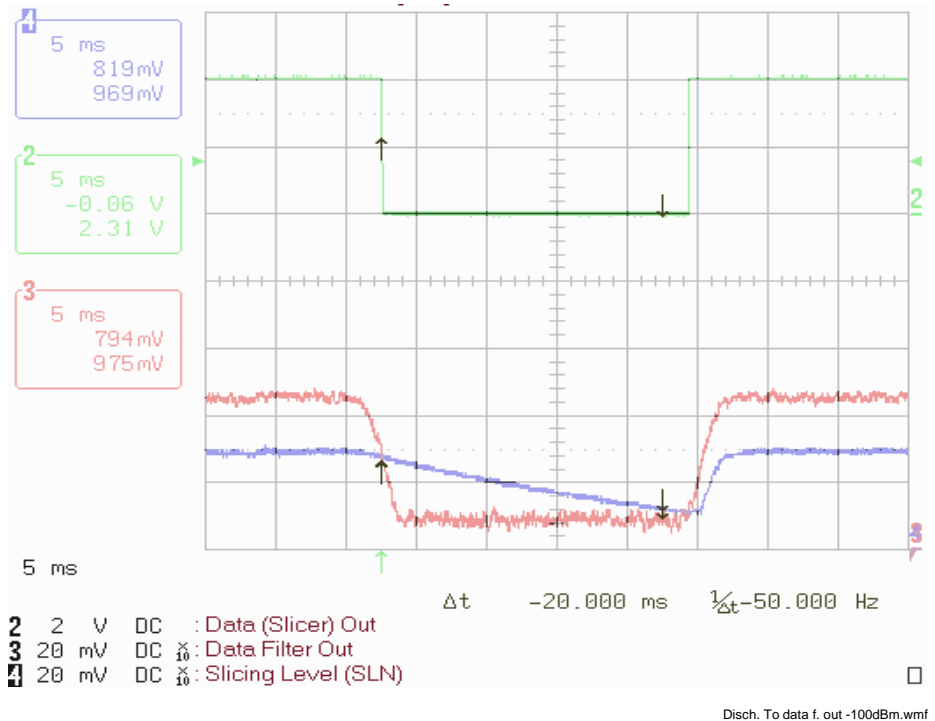
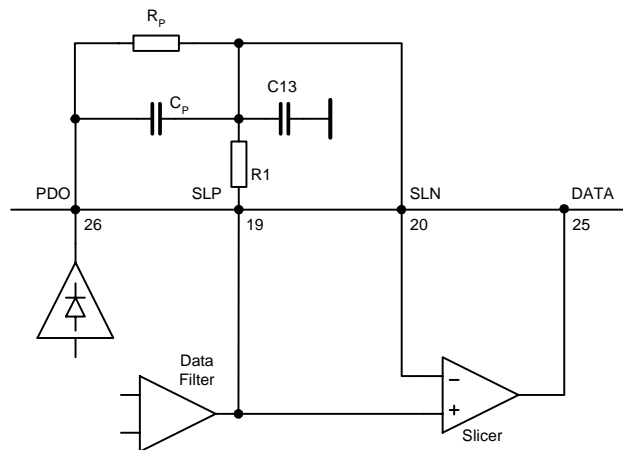


Figure 4-30 Discharging to data filter out; RF-Level = -100dBm

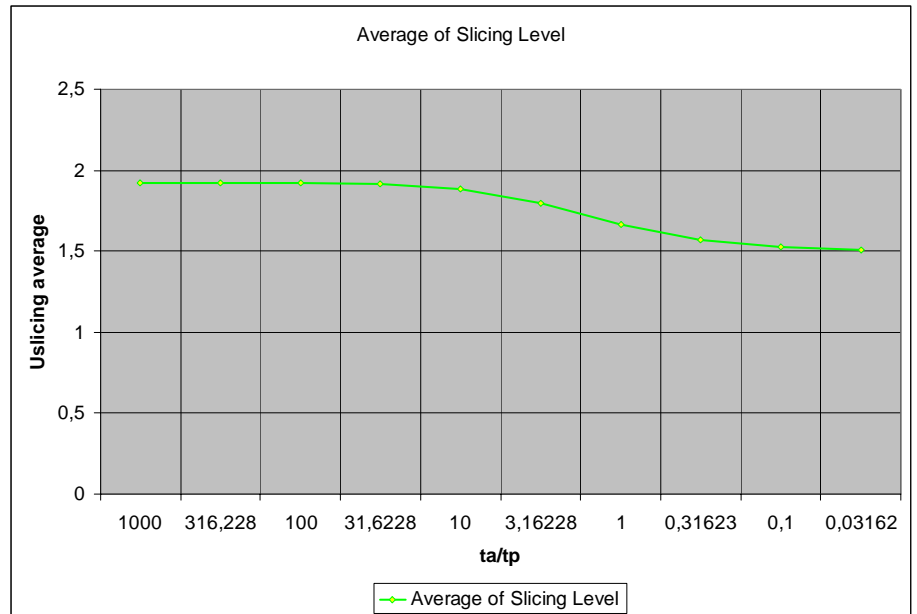
After a sudden increased RF level or a short time period in power down mode the following application shown in Figure 4-31 is very useful to achieve a very short settling time of the slicing level. This can be done without the usage of the precharge circuit, but it has to be mentioned that only ASK mode will work with this kind of application.



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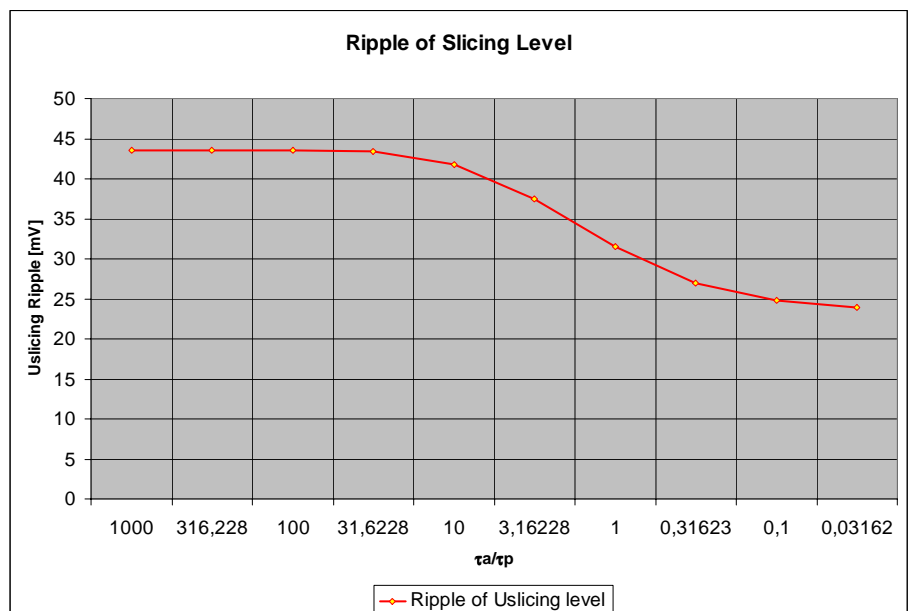
Figure 4-31 Precharging with peak detector

For the best functionality the value of C_p should be the same as the value of C_{13} . To avoid influence on the steady state of the slicing level R_p should be chosen to a value of at least 10 times R_{13} . A too small R_p value causes also an additional ripple voltage of the slicing level. An example for various values of R_p is given in Figure 4-32 and Figure 4-33 below).



Average of slicing level

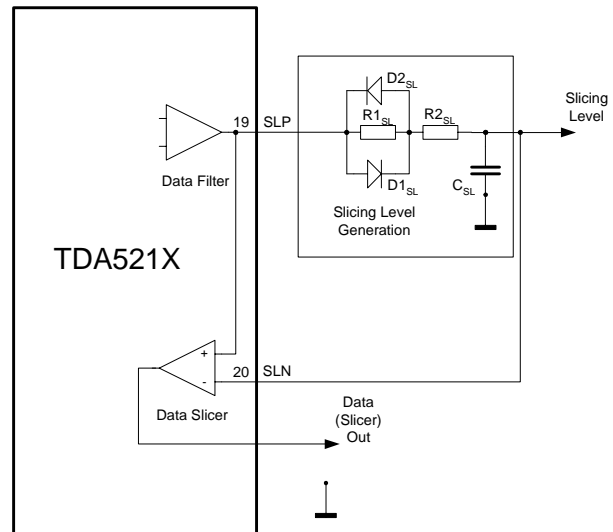
Figure 4-32 Average of slicing level



Ripple of slicing level

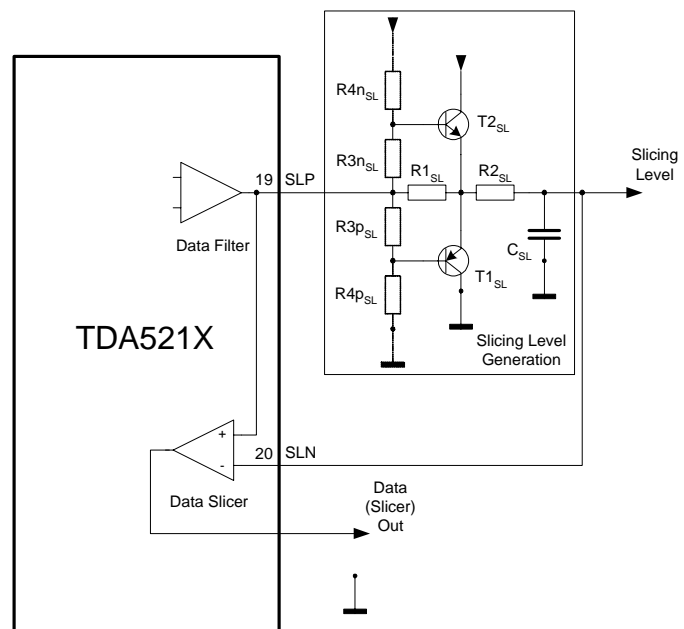
Figure 4-33 Ripple of slicing level

The best solution for all demands mentioned above, combining the advantages off the other applications is shown below in Figure 4-34.



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Figure 4-34 Adapting impedance slicing level generation



R3n_{SL}, R4n_{SL}, R3p_{SL} and R4p_{SL} "only" optional

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Figure 4-35 Adapting impedance slicing level generation and buffer

The two diodes $D1_{SL}$ and $D2_{SL}$ are working as a voltage controlled resistor. For a slight deviation of the slicing level from the instantaneous value off the data filter output signal the impedance of the diode, driven in forward direction, is higher than for a larger deviation. The higher the deviation the lower the impedance of the forward driven diode. The function of the circuit presented in Figure 4-35 is the same except the using of the transistors instead of the diodes working simultaneously as buffer for the possibility to use a smaller value of $R2_{SL}$.

The dimensioning of the circuit is not really critical. The product of $R2_{SL} * C_{SL}$, the theoretical lower limit value of the time constant, should be round about ten times smaller than the inverse value of the highest "data frequency"¹ to reach a very fast settling time.

Depending on the longest possible period of no changing of the logic level during one transmission - time between preamble and data for instance - the $R2_{SL} * C_{SL}$ product can be chosen more or less smaller. As can be seen in the measurements below, a $R2_{SL} * C_{SL}$ product of round about $100\mu s$ is one the one hand by far large enough to tide over a brake of 10ms, on the other hand small enough to reach a proper slicing level within the half period of a 1kHz signal. But also an $R2_{SL} * C_{SL}$ product of less than $10\mu s$ is sufficient to tide over a brake of 10ms, shown in Figure 4-38, enabling a very short settling time for the slicing level as can be seen in Figure 4-39. The measurement presented in Figure 4-39 is done with the circuit shown in Figure 4-35, - slicing level generation and buffer without the optional resistors $R3n$, $R4n$, $R3p$, $R4p$ - because of the small value of $R2_{SL}$.

This application works for FSK as well as for ASK and make the use of pre-charge circuit described in the next chapter unnecessary.

But please note, that in case of FSK this circuit is not only decisive for the time constant T_A , but also for the cut-off frequencies f_1 and f_2 (see also Chapter 4.8.1).

The components $R1_{SL}$, $R2_{SL}$, $D1_{SL}$ and $D2_{SL}$ decide the resistance value, which can be used in the calculation of T_A , f_1 and f_2 instead of $R1$.

The capacitor value C_{SL} can be inserted instead of $C13$ in those formulas.

1. Fundamental frequency of the data signal, not to mix up with the data rate.

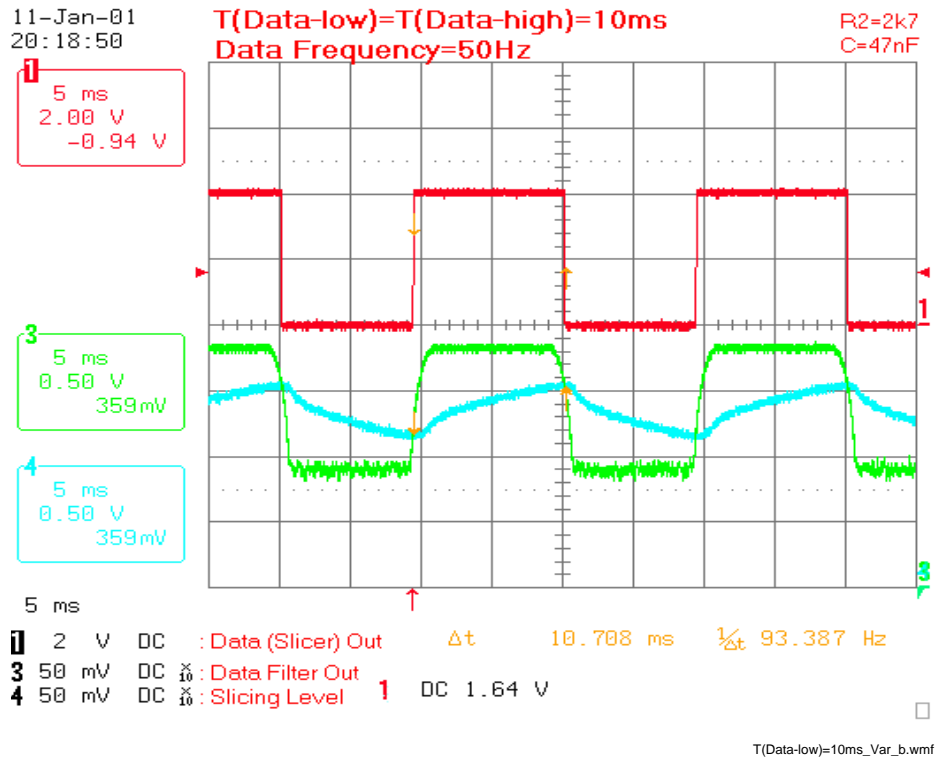


Figure 4-36 Measuring circuit with $R2 \cdot C = 127\mu s$ with 10ms of low level respectively

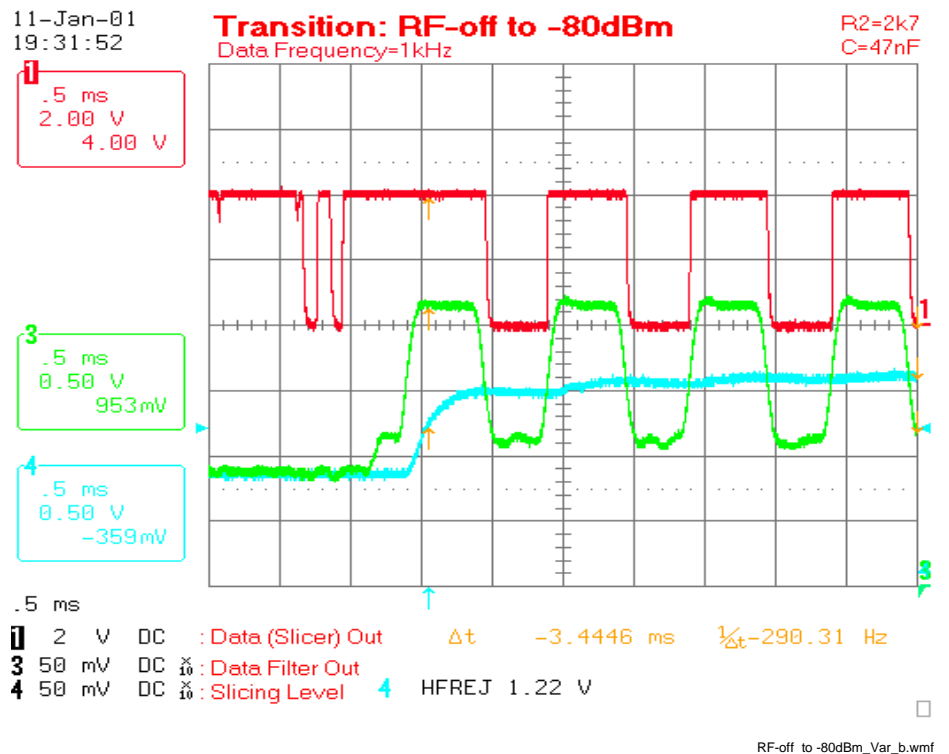


Figure 4-37 Response time of circuit with $R2 \cdot C = 127\mu s$; Data frequency = 1kHz

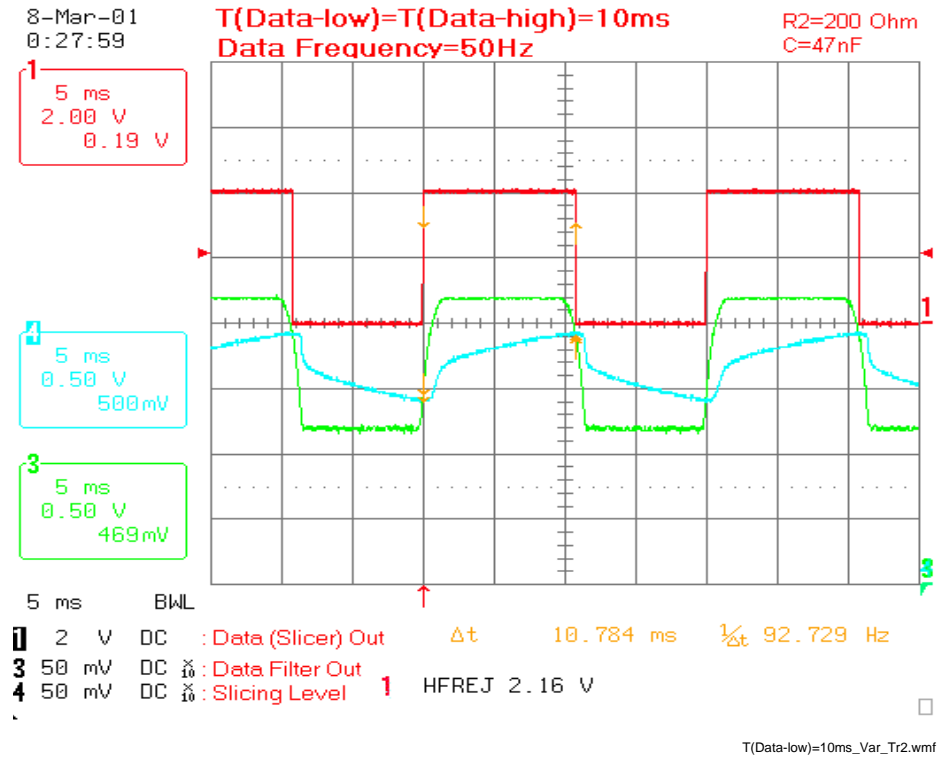


Figure 4-38 Measuring circuit with $R2 \cdot C = 9.4 \mu s$ with 10ms of low level respectively

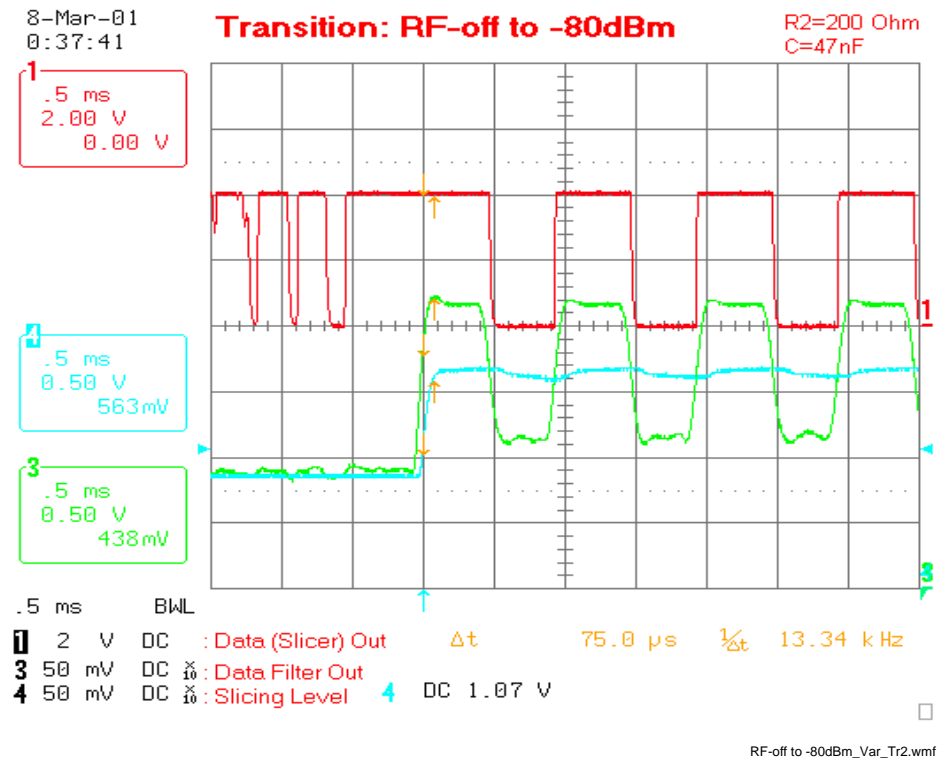


Figure 4-39 Response time of circuit with $R2 \cdot C = 9.4 \mu s$; Data frequency = 1kHz

4.12 Principle of the Precharge Circuit

In case the data slicer threshold shall be generated with an external RC network as described in Section 4.11 it is necessary to use large values for the capacitor C attached to the **SLN** pin (pin 20) in order to achieve long time constants. This results also from the fact that the choice of the value for R connected between the **SLP** and **SLN** pins (pins 19 and 20) is limited by the 330kΩ resistor appearing in parallel to R as can be seen in Figure 4-19. Apart from this a resistor value of 100kΩ leads to a voltage offset of 1mV at the comparator input as described in Section 4.8.1. The resulting startup time constant τ_1 can be calculated with:

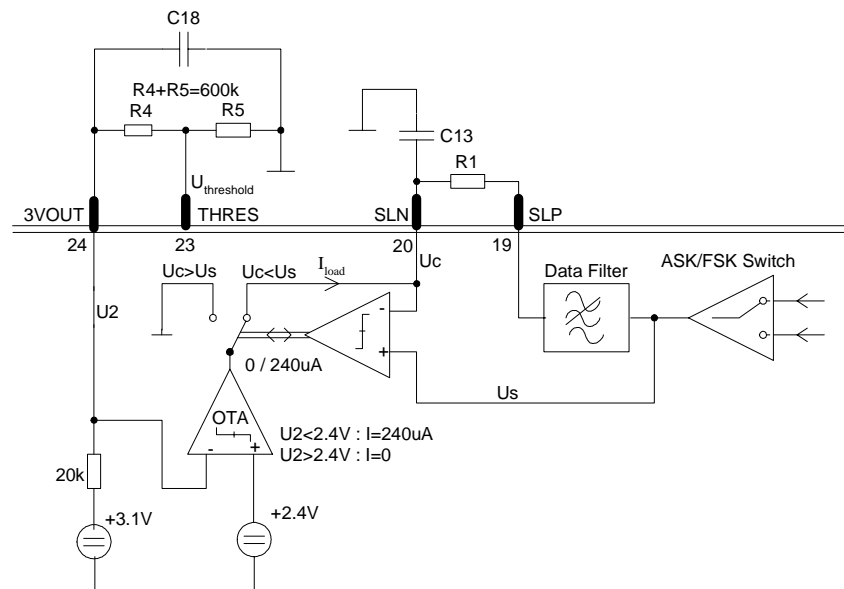
$$\tau_1 = (R1 \parallel 330k\Omega) \times C13$$

In case R1 is chosen to be 100kΩ and C13 is chosen as 47nF this leads to

$$\tau_1 = (100k\Omega \parallel 330k\Omega) \times 47nF = 77k\Omega \times 47nF = 3.6ms$$

When the device is turned on this time constant dominates the time necessary for the device to be able to demodulate data properly. In the powerdown mode the capacitor is only discharged by leakage currents.

In order to reduce the turn-on time in the presence of large values of C a precharge circuit was included in the TDA5210 as shown in the following figure.



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Figure 4-40 Principle of the precharge circuit

This circuit charges the capacitor C13 with an inrush current I_{load} of 240μA for a duration of T_2 until the voltage U_c appearing on the capacitor is equal to the voltage U_s at the input of the data filter. This voltage is limited to 2.5V. As soon as these voltages are equal or the duration T_2 is exceeded the precharge circuit is disabled.

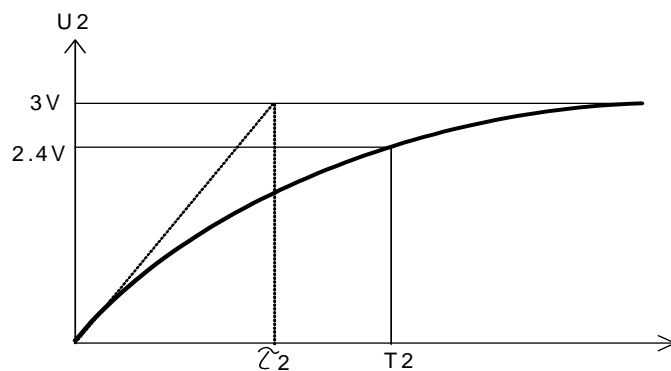
τ_2 is the time constant of the charging process of C18 which can be calculated as

$$\tau_2 = 20k\Omega \times C18$$

as the sum of R4 and R5 is sufficiently large and thus can be neglected. T_2 can then be calculated according to the following formula:

$$T_2 = \tau_2 \ln \left(\frac{1}{1 - \frac{2.4V}{3V}} \right) = \tau_2 \times 1.6$$

The voltage transient during the charging of C18 is shown in the following figure:

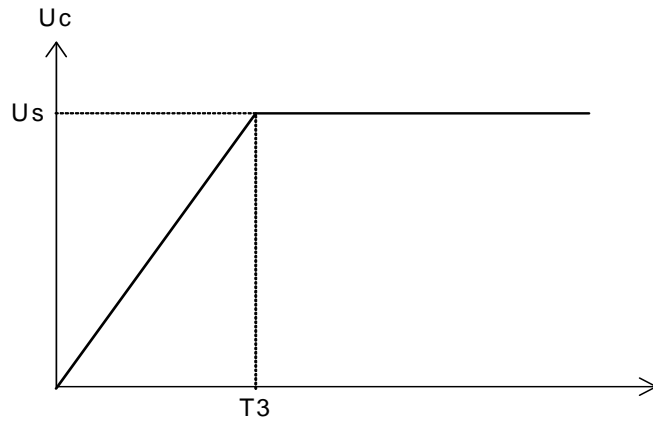


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Figure 4-41 Voltage appearing on C18 during precharging process

The voltage appearing on the capacitor C13 connected to pin 20 is shown in the following figure. It can be seen that due to the fact that it is charged by a constant current source it exhibits a linear increase in voltage which is limited to $U_{Smax} = 2.5V$ which is also the approximate operating point of the data filter input. The time constant appearing in this case can be denoted as T_3 , which can be calculated with

$$T_3 = \frac{U_{Smax} \times C13}{240\mu A} = \frac{2.5V}{240\mu A} \times C13$$



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Figure 4-42 Voltage transient on capacitor C13 attached to pin 20

As an example the choice of C18 = 20nF and C13 = 47nF yields

$$\tau_2 = 0.4\text{ms}$$

$$T_2 = 0.64\text{ms}$$

$$T_3 = 0.49\text{ms}$$

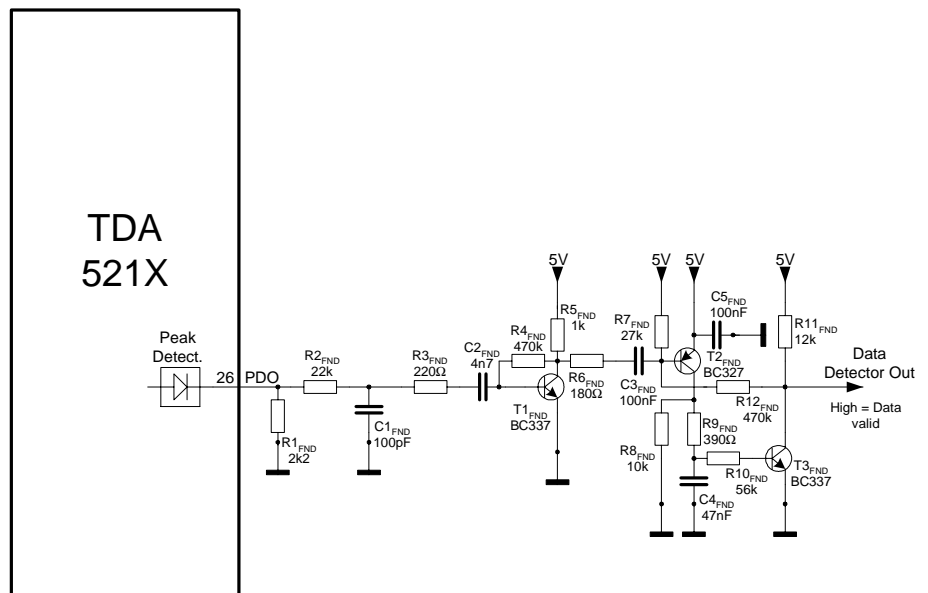
This means that in this case the inrush current could flow for a duration of 0.64ms but stops already after 0.49ms when the $U_{S\text{max}}$ limit has been reached. T_3 should always be chosen to be shorter than T_2 .

It has to be noted finally that during the turn-on duration T_2 the overall device power consumption is increased by the 240 μ A needed to charge C13.

The precharge circuit may be disabled if C18 is not equipped. This yields a T_2 close to zero. Note that the sum of R4 and R5 has to be 600k Ω in order to produce 3V at the THRES pin as this voltage is internally used also as the reference for the FSK demodulator.

4.13 Quiet Data Output during no Transmission

Using one of the above mentioned circuits to generate the slicing level the data slicer will provide a stochastic signal. For some application like the duty cycle mode, where a μC is set to idle mode and should only “waken” if valid data are available, a quiet data output or the additional information “No Data” during no transmission is required. For such an application one of the the following circuit is a possible solution. The circuit shown in Figure 4-43 shows a much higher temperature sensitivity as the circuit shown in Figure 4-44. Please note, that the temperature sensitivity inherent in the circuit of Figure 4-43 is mainly caused by the temperature gradient of the base-emitter voltage of $T2_{\text{FND}}$.

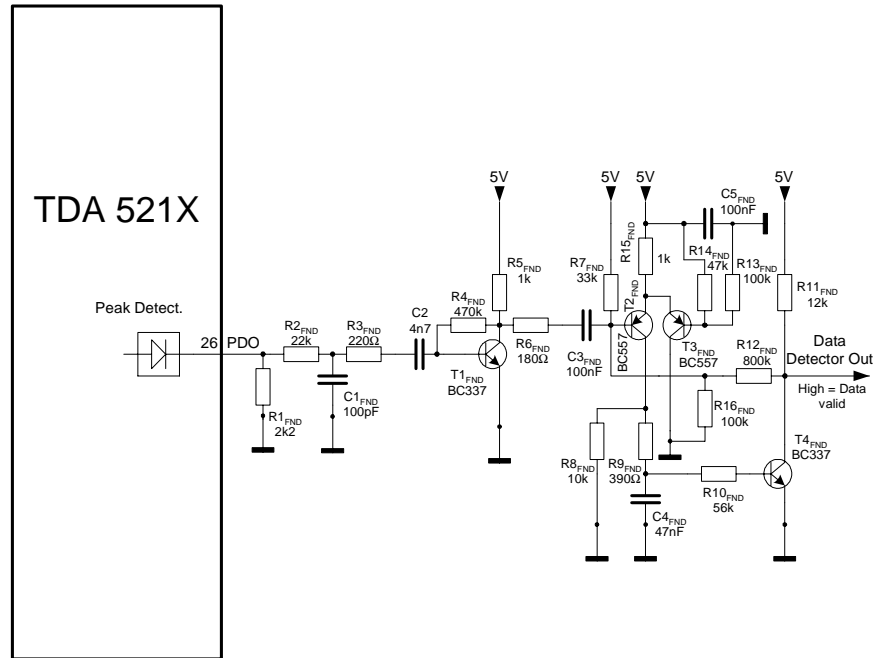


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Figure 4-43 FSK-Noise-Detector (not temperature stabilized version)

To compensate the temperature dependence of $T2_{\text{FND}}$ only one additional transistor has to be used to get a differential pair as presented in Figure 4-44. Another advantage of this circuit is the possibility to modify the threshold level¹ without changing the gain of the previous stage and subsequently influencing the tolerances by changing the voltage divider $R13_{\text{FND}} - R14_{\text{FND}}$. To avoid toggling of the “Data-Detector Output” for an input signal at the threshold level a hysteresis can be realized by selecting a proper value of $R12_{\text{FND}}$.

1.Level of the RF-signal where the “Noise-Detector” switches to high (data valid) is “threshold-high”, level where it switches to low (noise detected) is “threshold-low”.



FSK-Noise-Det2.wmf

Figure 4-44 FSK-Noise-Detector (Temperature-stabilized version)

A comparison between the circuit shown in Figure 4-43 and the temperature stabilized circuit of Figure 4-44 is presented in Table 4-11 below, measured in a 868MHz board.

Table 4-11 Temperature sensitivity		
Temperature	Alteration of "threshold-high"	
	not temperature stabilized circuit Figure 4-43	Temperature stabilized circuit in Figure 4-44
[°C]	[dBm]	[dBm]
50	-100.4	-99.7
60	-99.4	-99.7
70	-98.4	-99.7
80	-97.2	-99.7
90	-95.5	-99.7
100	-92.6	-99.7
105	-90.1	-99,7

In point of fact the temperature drift caused by T1_{FND} isn't covered by the measurement shown in Table 4-11, but it amounts only round about 0.4dB over the measured temperature range.

The hysteresis of the realized temperature stabilized circuit is round about 0.7dB resulting to a "threshold-low" of -100.4dBm in temperature range up to 105°C.

But of course both the hysteresis and the threshold can be modified as described above.

The data detector output signal can be used as an interrupt signal to waken the μC for instead. To get a quiet data slicer output during no transmission, the data (slicer) output has to be combined with the data detector output via a AND or NAND gate. Using a NAND it has to be observed that data are inverted and, unlike using a AND, the quiescent state is high.

4.14 Decoder

For demonstration purposes, a standalone decoder device has been added to the receiver board. The HCS 512 (Microchip) is a decoder capable of responding to the code-hopping sequences sent by the encoder device HCS 360 (Microchip) at the transmitter side. Both devices, the encoder and the decoder, must be programmed with an identical customer code. Each decoder can undergo a learning process with up to 5 individual transmitters. Synchronization will be established following a defined learning sequence. Closing the “learn” contact will light up the LED for approx. 2s. Opening the contact after the LED has turned off sets the decoder to the learn mode. Activating the transmitter then will transfer the synchronization data. This completes the learning process. The LED will then light up for 500ms each time a synchronized transmitter signal is received.

4.15 Settling Time

Some receiver applications target an average supply current of 1mA and less. If an intermittent receiver operation is allowed, the supply current may easily be reduced from the typical value of 4.6mA to less than 1mA. The pulsed operation of the receiver can be controlled by a signal applied to the PDWN, pin27 input. A high state will enable the receiver. For pulsed receiver operation, a number of parameters need to be considered, such as receiver settling time, system response time and on-off duration.

The receiver settling time depends on a number of application parameters:

- Power up signal slew rate
- Data slicer design
- RF settling time

The RF settling time depends on the start-up time of the reference oscillator, the settling time of the PLL loop and the settling time of the bias of the receiver blocks. Due to the high excessive gain of the reference oscillator and the wide bandwidth of the PLL loop filter of 150kHz, the VCO will lock within a time of less than 1ms. The settling time of the receiver bias depends primarily on the size of the blocking capacitor C11. The impedance of capacitor C11 has, however, to be low compared to the input impedance of the IF amplifier at the IF frequency of 10.7MHz. A capacitor of 100pF gives a 1dB loss of IF gain at the input impedance of 330Ω. Applying C11=10nF will give a bias settling time of the IF amplifier of only 200μs.

The settling time of the data slicer is given by the low-pass characteristic of the imparted filter functions.

The settling time of the data slicer using the precharge circuit is mainly decided by C13 and the operating point of the data filter U_s as described in chapter 4.12. The maximum value of U_s is round about 2.5V resulting in a maximum settling time for a valid data signal:

$$T_3 = \frac{U_{s\max} \times C13}{240\mu A}$$

For a capacitor C13=47nF (Infineon evaluation board):

$$T_3 \approx 0.49ms$$

The crystal oscillator settling time is proportional to the ratio of the motional inductivity ($L1$)¹ of the crystal to the effective negative resistor of the whole circuit.

For a given frequency of the crystal the inductivity and also Q is indirect proportional to the motional capacitance ($C1$)¹ of the crystal.

Assuming a fixed value of the motional capacitance $L1$ ¹ decreases with the square of the frequency.

Therefore the start up time of the crystal oscillator is decreased proportional to an increasing of the motional capacitance and with the square of the frequency.

$$T_{sosc} \sim \frac{L1}{R}$$

To achieve a short start up time of the oscillator a step edge of the power supply is helpful, so the use of unnecessary large "blocking capacitors" should be avoided.

All the individual settling times have to be considered in finding the total settling time of the receiver. On the evaluation board they are

- Bias settling time 0.2ms
- Start-up time of the reference oscillator < 0.6ms
- Power supply slew rate < 1ms
- T_{SA} 0.49ms
- T_{SP} 0.3ms

The settling time of the evaluation receiver will be less than 3ms utilizing the sliding data slicer together with the precharge circuit.

1.Parameter of a crystal not to be exchanged with the components of the evalboard.

4.16 Spurious Radiation

The receiver has to meet the European Telecommunications Standards Institute ETS 300 220 requirements. Other requirements may apply for other countries.

The product family of short range devices (SRD) is divided into three classes of equipment, each having its own set of minimum performance criteria. This classification is based upon the impact on persons and/or goods in case the equipment does not operate above the specified minimum performance level under electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) stress.

Class 1 SRD equipment is a highly reliable communication media; e.g. serving human life inherent systems, which result in a physical risk to a person. Applications of this class are fire detection, personal identification, telemetry in vehicles, etc.

Class 2 is relevant for medium reliable SRD communication. This is the case when causing inconvenience to persons, which cannot simply be overcome by other means. Such as, cargo handling systems, domestic telemetry, car alarms, vehicle detection and many others.

Class 3 is responsible for standard reliable SRD communication systems, causing inconvenience to persons, which can simply be overcome by other means. This is relevant for garage door openers, car lock/unlock devices, radio remote control television and audio, door bell and so on.

According to ETS 300 220, the limits for spurious radiation on the receiver side are applicable to all receiver classes:

-57 dBm below 1GHz

-47 dBm above 1GHz

Two different types of emission have to be considered, conducted (antenna port) and board radiation. Conducted emission is defined as the spurious power level at the antenna port. Radiated emission is defined as the “effective radiated power” (ERP) emitted by the board.

The most important spurious signal is the LO signal. The low power design of the VCO and a careful PCB layout keep the spurious radiation well below the limits. The spurious levels at the relevant frequencies measured at the evaluation board can be summarized as:

Table 4-12 Spurious Radiation Levels				
Source of emission		Receiver Frequency		Limit
		434 MHz	868 MHz	
Antenna port VCO	858MHz	-90dBm	-73dBm	-57dBm
VCO/2	423MHz	-102dBm	<-120dBm	-57dBm
Radiated ERP VCO	858MHz	-73dBm	-67dBm	-57dBm
VCO/2	423MHz	<-120dBm	<-100dBm	-57dBm

The TDA 5210 conforms to the ETS 300 220 requirements.

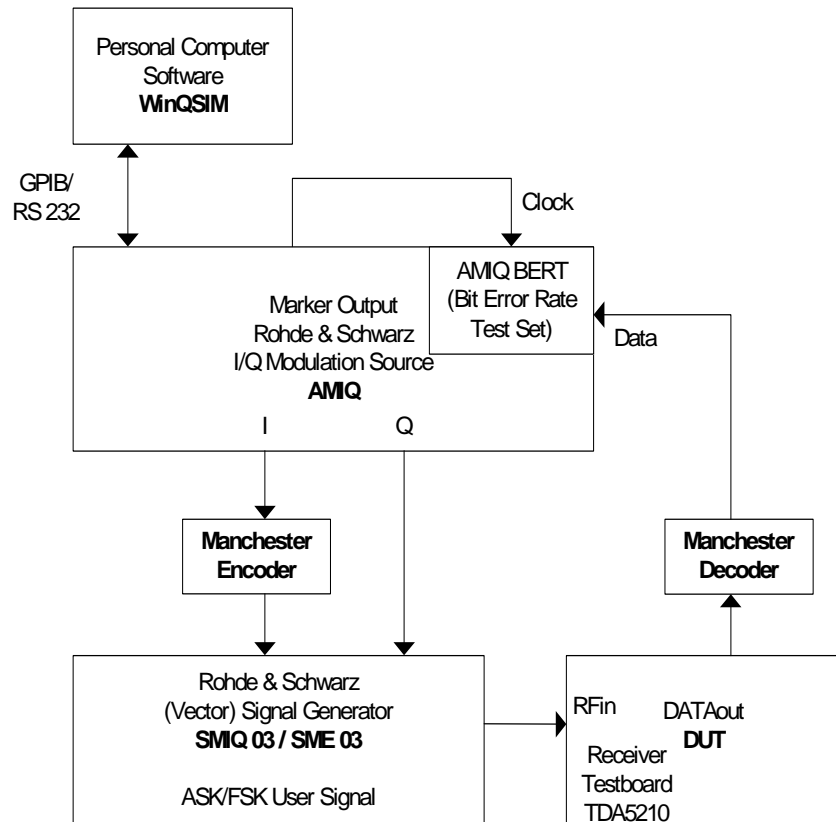
4.17 Sensitivity Measurements

4.17.1 Test Setup

The test setup used for the measurements is shown in the following figure. In case of ASK modulation the Rohde & Schwarz SMIQ generator, which is a vector signal generator, is connected to the I/Q modulation source AMIQ. This "baseband signal generator" is in turn controlled by the PC based software WinQSIM via a GPIB/RS 232 interface. The AMIQ generator has a pseudo random binary sequence (PRBS) generator and a bit error test set built in. The resulting I/Q signals are applied to the SMIQ to generate a ASK (OOK) spectrum at the desired RF frequency. In case of FSK modulation the SMIQ is replaced by a Rohde & Schwarz SME generator.

Data is demodulated by the TDA521X and then sent back to the AMIQ to be compared with the originally sent data. The bit error rate is calculated by the bit error rate equipment inside the AMIQ.

Manchester coded data is applied to the I signal as can be seen in the subsequent figure.



TestSetup.wmf

Figure 4-45 BER Test Setup

In the following figures the RF power level shown is the average power level.

These investigations have been made on an Infineon evaluation board using a data rate of 4 kBit/s with manchester encoding, a IF filter bandwidth of 280 kHz and a data filter bandwidth of 5 kHz. This is the standard configuration of our evaluation boards. All these measurements have been undertaken with several evaluation boards, so that production scattering and component tolerances are already included in these results.

4.17.2 Sensitivity of RKE Receivers

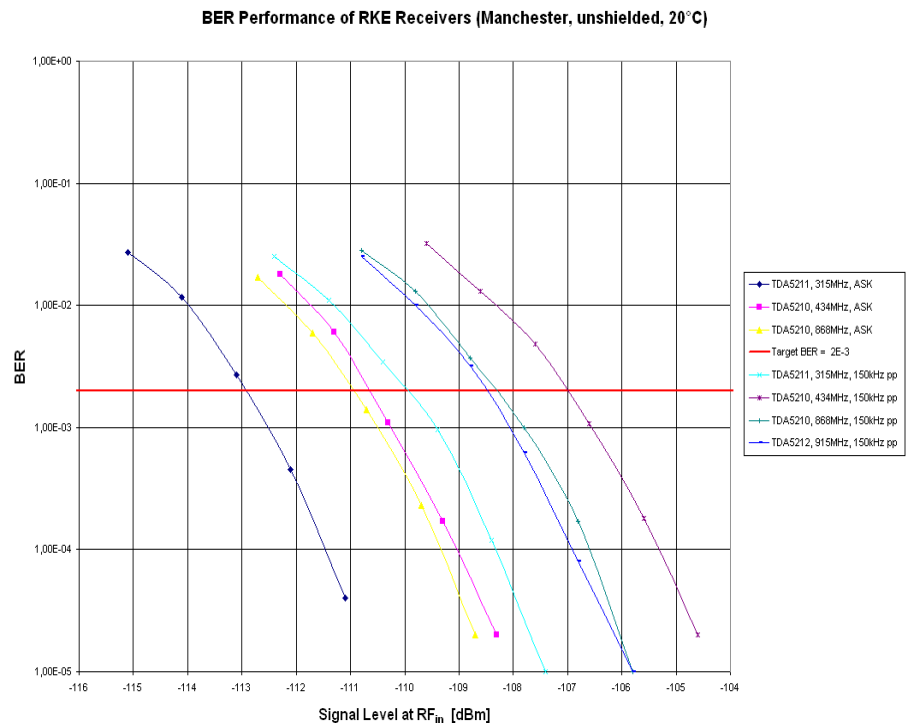
The following frequency derivates of the TDA 521x family have been tested:

TDA 5210 working at 434 and 868 MHz

TDA 5211 working at 315 MHz

TDA 5212 working at 915 MHz

The target bit error rate (BER) is specified to a value of $2 \cdot 10^{-3}$. This value is the criteria to determine the sensitivity.



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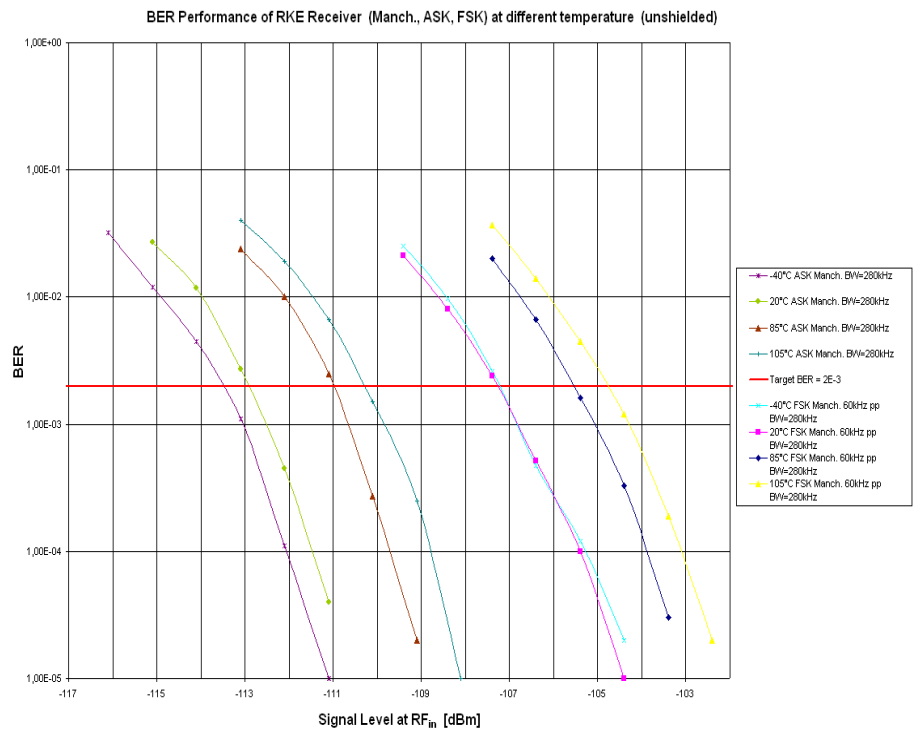
Figure 4-46 Sensitivity of RKE Receivers

As can be seen in Figure 4-46 the TDA 5211 shows the best performance, this is because of minimum noise matching at the front end. Thus it has to be mentioned that the other derivates also show the same behavior, if the matching network at the front end would be matched for minimum noise.

The ASK sensitivity can be up to -113 dBm. In case of FSK -110 dBm are achievable, using a deviation of 150 kHz peak to peak. All these values are measured at an ambient temperature of about 20 °C.

4.17.3 Dependence of the ambient temperature

Demonstrating a wide band of application possibilities the temperature behavior must not be forgotten. In automotive systems the demanded temperature range is from -40 °C to +85 °C. Showing the receivers very good performance a BER measurement at the temperature of +105 °C is also documented in the following graph.



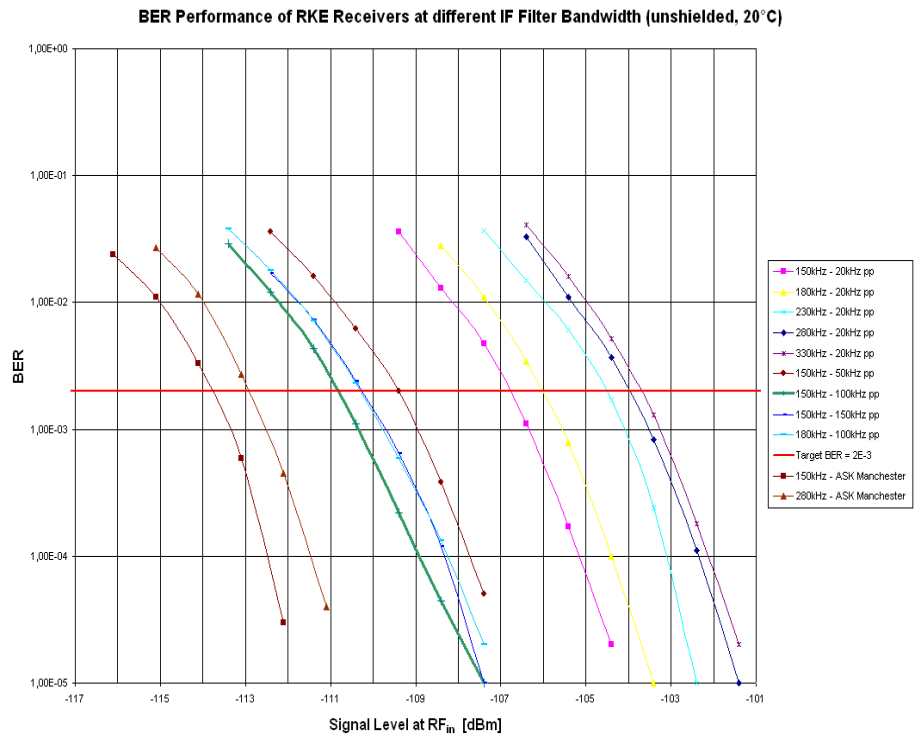
Temperature.wmf

Figure 4-47 Temperature Behaviour

Notice that the sensitivity variation in this temperature range of -40 °C to +105 °C is only about 2.5 to 3 dB.

4.17.4 Sensitivity depending on the IF Filter Bandwidth

A significant place to influence the receivers sensitivity is the bandwidth of the applied IF filter.



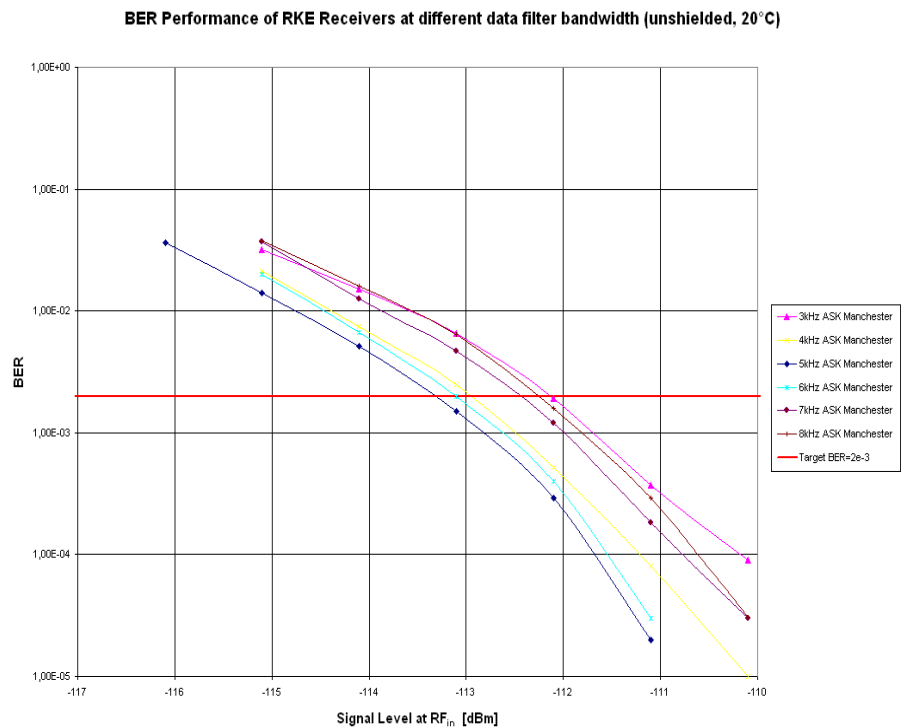
IF Filter Bandwidth.wmf

Figure 4-48 Variable IF Filter Bandwidth

In the case of ASK using a data rate of 4 kBit/s the IF filter bandwidth can be reduced very dramatically to about 150 kHz resulting in a 1 dB improved sensitivity. A similar situation takes place in the FSK mode, where deviation has to be taken into account. A very practicable configuration is to set the IF bandwidth to a value of about 1.5 times the peak to peak deviation. Concerning these aspects the bandwidth should be chosen small enough. With respect to the quartz circuitry tolerances, which influence the receiving frequency, a too small IF filter bandwidth will reduce the sensitivity again. So a compromise has to be made. For further details on IF bandwidth calculation see also Section 4.7.2.

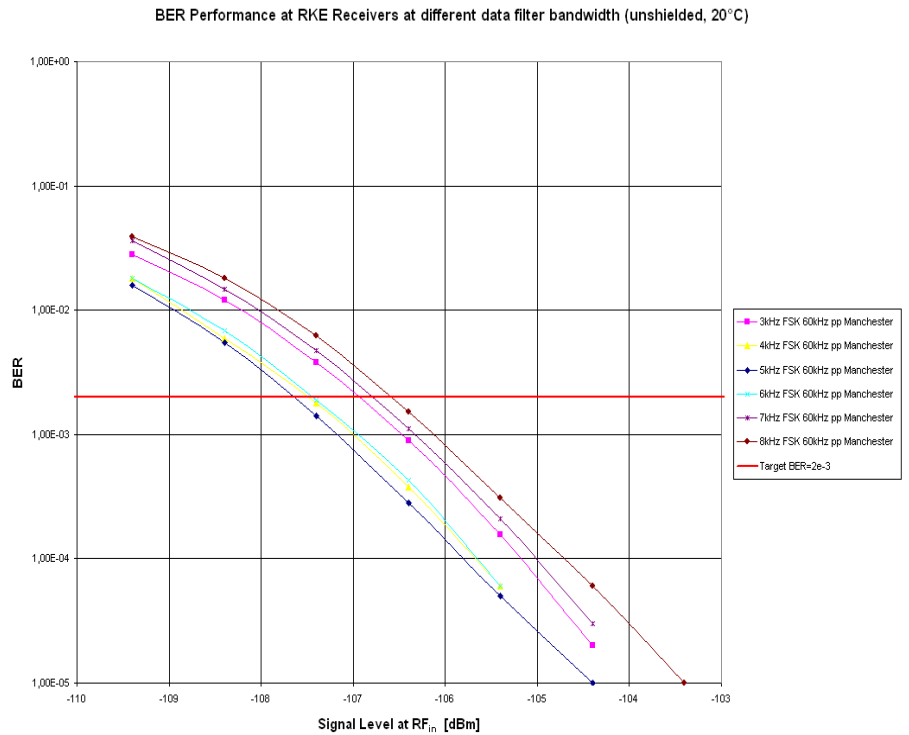
4.17.5 Dependence of Data Filter Bandwidth

Explaining this effect it has to be mentioned that a data rate of 4 kBit/s using manchester encoding results in a data frequency of 2 kHz to 4 kHz depending on the occurring data pattern. The test pattern given by the AMIQ is a pseudo random binary sequency (PRBS9) with a 9 bit shift register. This pattern varies the resulting data frequency up to 4 kHz.



Data Filter Bandwidth ASK.wmf

Figure 4-49 Variation of Data Filter Bandwidth in case of ASK



Data Filter Bandwidth FSK.wmf

Figure 4-50 Variation of Data Filter Bandwidth in case of FSK

As can be seen in the last two figures, a data filter bandwidth of about 5 kHz shows optimal performance. Both lowering and increasing this bandwidth results in less sensitivity. Thus the best results can be achieved using a data filter bandwidth of 1.25 times the maximum of the appearing data frequency.

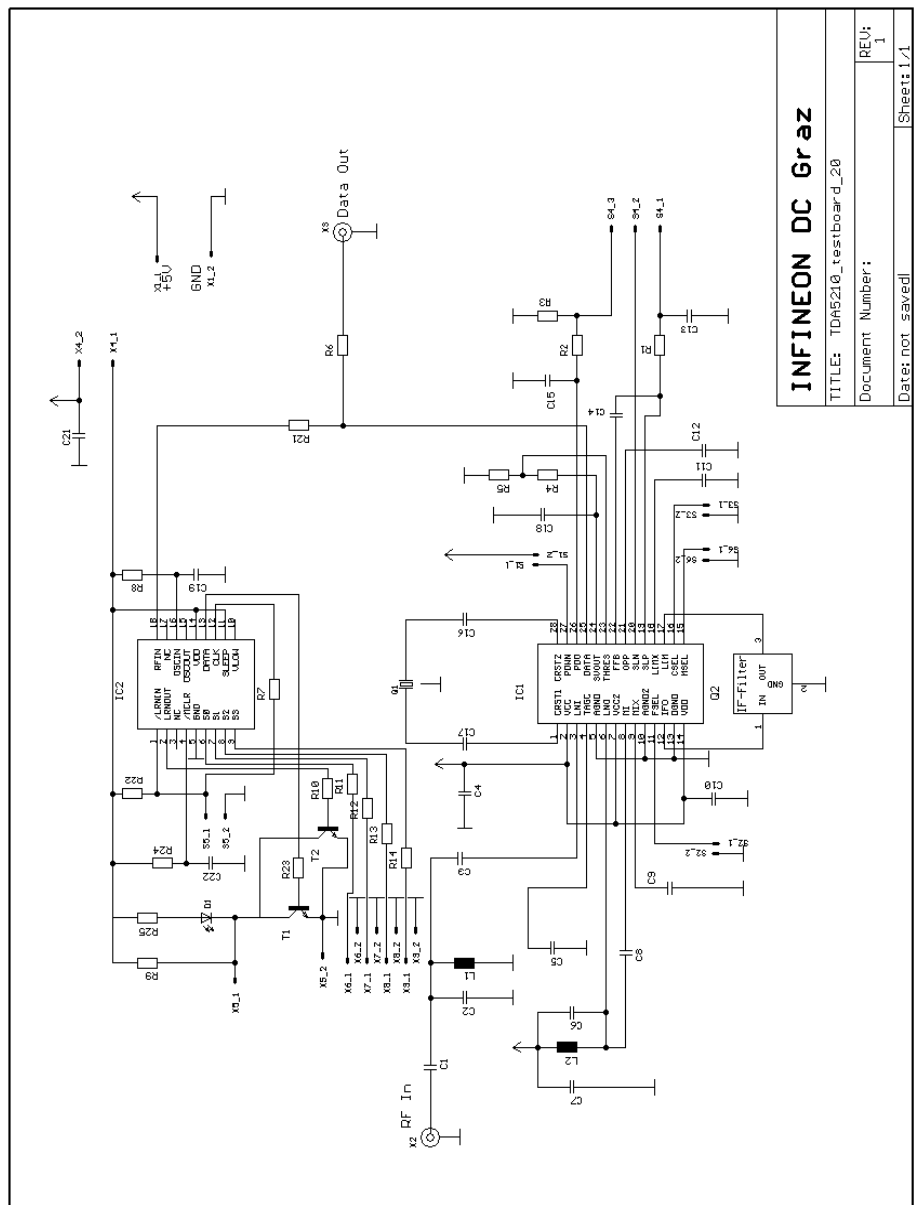
5 Reference

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5.1 Test Circuit

The device performance parameters were measured on an Infineon evaluation board. This evaluation board can be obtained together with evaluation boards of the accompanying transmitter device TDA5100/TDA5101 in an evaluation kit that may be ordered on the INFINEON RKE Webpage www.infineon.com/rke. In case a matching codeword is received, decoded and accepted by the decoder the on-board LED will turn on. This signal is also accessible on a 2-pole pin connector and can be used for simple remote-control applications. More information on the kit is available on request.

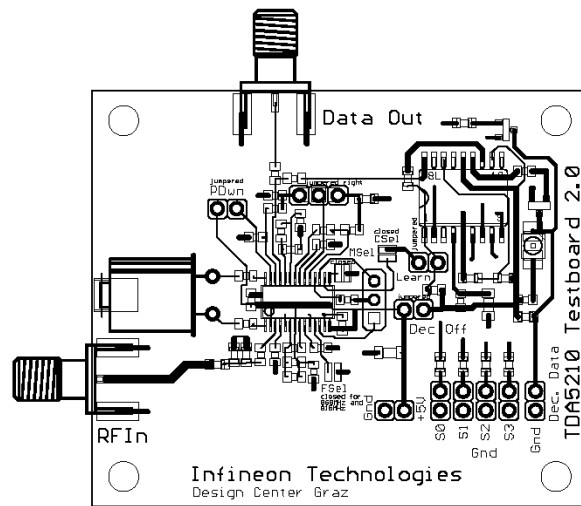


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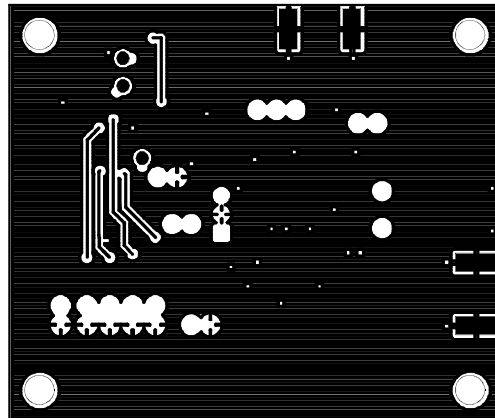
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5.2 Test Board Layouts



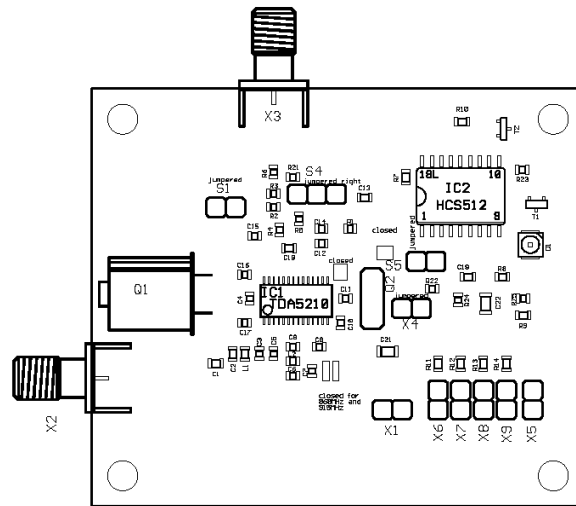
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Figure 5-2 Top Side of the Evaluation Board



TDA5210_testboard_20_bot.wmf

Figure 5-3 Bottom Side of the Evaluation Board



TDA5210_testboard_20_plcV2.wmf

Figure 5-4 Component Placement on the Evaluation Board

5.3 Bill of Materials

The following components are necessary for evaluation either of the TDA5210 used at 434MHz or 868MHz or of the TDA5211 at 315MHz without use of a Microchip HCS512 decoder.

Table 5-1 Bill of Materials

Ref	Value	Specification
R1	100kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R2	100kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R3	820kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R4	240kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R5	360kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R6	10kΩ	0805, ± 5%
L1	315MHz: 15nH 434 MHz: 15nH 868 MHz: 3.3nH	Toko, PTL2012-F15N0G Toko, PTL2012-F15N0G Toko, PTL2012-F3N3C
L2	315MHz: 12pF 434 MHz: 8.2pF 868 MHz: 3.9nH	0805, COG, ± 1% 0805, COG, ± 0.1pF Toko, PTL2012-F3N9C
C1	315MHz: 12pF 434MHz: 1pF 868MHz: 1pF	0805, COG, ± 1% 0805, COG, ± 0.1pF 0805, COG, ± 0.1pF
C2	315MHz: 10pF 434 MHz: 4.7pF 868 MHz: 3.9pF	0805, COG, ± 1% 0805, COG, ± 0.1pF 0805, COG, ± 0.1pF
C3	315MHz: 6.8pF 434 MHz: 6.8pF 868 MHz: 5.6pF	0805, COG, ± 0.1pF 0805, COG, ± 0.1pF 0805, COG, ± 0.1pF
C4	100pF	0805, COG, ± 5%
C5	47nF	1206, X7R, ± 10%
C6	315MHz: 15nH 434 MHz: 10nH 868 MHz: 3.9pF	Toko, PTL2012-F10N0G Toko, PTL2012-F10N0G 0805, COG, ± 0.1pF
C7	100pF	0805, COG, ± 5%
C8	315MHz: 33pF 434 MHz: 33pF 868 MHz: 22pF	0805, COG, ± 5% 0805, COG, ± 5% 0805, COG, ± 5%
C9	100pF	0805, COG, ± 5%
C10	10nF	0805, X7R, ± 10%
C11	10nF	0805, X7R, ± 10%
C12	220pF	0805, COG, ± 5%
C13	47nF	0805, X7R, ± 10%
C14	470pF	0805, COG, ± 5%

Table 5-1 Bill of materials (continued)

Ref	Value	Specification
C15	47nF	0805, X7R, ± 5%
C16	8.2pF	0805, COG, ± 0.1pF
C17	22pF	0805, COG, ± 1%
C18	22nF	0805, X7R, ± 5%
Q1	315 MHz:($f_{RF}-10.7\text{MHz}$)/32 434 MHz:($f_{RF}-10.7\text{MHz}$)/32 868MHz:($f_{RF}-10.7\text{MHz}$)/64	HC49/U, fundamental mode, CL = 12pF, e.g. 315MHz: Jauch Q 10,178130-S11-12-10/20 e.g. 434.2MHz: Jauch Q 13,234370-S11-12-10/20 e.g. 868.4MHz: Jauch Q 13,401550-S11-12-10/20
Q2	SFE10.7MA5-A or SKM107M1-A20-10	Murata Toko
X2, X3	142-0701-801	Johnson
X1, X4, S1-S3, S6		2-pole pin connector
S4		3-pole pin connector, or not equipped
IC1	315 MHz: TDA5211 434 MHz:TDA5210 868 MHz: TDA5210	Infineon

Please note that in case of operation at 315MHz and 434 MHz a capacitor has to be soldered in place of L2 and an inductor in place of C6.

The following components are necessary in addition to the above mentioned ones for evaluation of the TDA5210 in conjunction with a Microchip HCS512 decoder.

Table 5-2 Bill of Materials Addendum

Ref	Value	Specification
R7	100kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R8	10kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R9	100kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R10	22kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R11	100Ω	0805, ± 5%
R12	100Ω	0805, ± 5%
R13	100Ω	0805, ± 5%
R14	100Ω	0805, ± 5%
R21	22kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R22	10kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R23	22kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R24	820kΩ	0805, ± 5%
R25	560Ω	0805, ± 5%

Table 5-2 Bill of Materials Addendum (continued)		
C19	10pF	0805, COG, $\pm 5\%$
C21	100nF	1206, X7R, $\pm 10\%$
C22	100nF	1206, X7R, $\pm 10\%$
IC2	HCS512	Microchip
S5, X4-X9		2-pole pin connector
T1, T2	BC 847B	Infineon
D1	LS T670-JL	Infineon

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