

The TQ9207 is a monolithic transmit/receive amplifier function designed specifically for spread-spectrum applications in the 2.4 - 2.5 GHz ISM band. The receive path contains a high-gain, low-noise amplifier, internally matched to 50 Ω at both ports. The transmit path incorporates an internally matched, class-A, medium-power (150 mW) transmit amplifier suitable for modulation schemes which require linear operation. The TQ9207 also has a T/R switch at the antenna port, providing half-duplex operation. Transmit or receive is controlled by a CMOS-logic-compatible T/R control pin in which only one mode is active. Power down is accomplished with an external PMOS switch in series with the V_{DD} line. The small-sized, SSOP 24-pin package is ideal for reduced board space applications such as PCMCIA cards. The monolithic, internally matched design of the TQ9207 reduces development time, cost, and level of RF expertise required to achieve a high-value 2.4 GHz RF subsystem solution.

Electrical Specifications

Test Conditions: RF = 2442 MHz, $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$, $V_{DD} = +5\text{V}$

Parameter ¹	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Rx Noise Figure		3.5	4.5	dB
Rx Gain	17	18		dB
Rx Input 3rd Order Intercept ²		-10		dBm
Rx Supply Current		32	40	mA
Tx Power Gain	13	15		dB
Tx 1dB Compression Point	20	21		dBm
Tx Supply Current		190	250	mA
Positive Supply Voltage	4.5	5.0	5.5	V

Notes: 1. Min/max values listed are 100% production-tested.
2. Frequency separation of the two signals is 1 MHz.

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2.4 - 2.5 GHz, 100 mW Amplifier/ Switch

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Features

- Single-supply operation with power-down mode. No supply sequencing required.
- +21 dBm power output
- Integrated T/R switches and digital control logic
- 24-pin SSOP compatible with PCMCIA card formats
- 50 Ω RF ports

Applications

- General ISM-Band spread-spectrum wireless communications
- Wireless Local Area Networks
- Portable Data Terminals
- Remote Monitoring

Electrical Specifications

Test Conditions: RF = 2.4 to 2.5 GHz, $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$, $V_{DD} = +5\text{ V}$, unless otherwise specified

Receive Mode (TX/RX = LOW)

Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Gain		17	18		dB
Noise Figure	SSB		3.5	4.5	dB
Input 3rd Order Intercept	1 MHz frequency separation		-10		dBm
Input Return Loss	Rx input = ANTENNA pin	8	10		dB
Output Return Loss		10	12		dB

Transmit Mode (TX/RX = HIGH)

Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Gain		13	15		dB
Output 1 dB Compression		20	21		dBm
Output 3rd Order Intercept	1 MHz frequency separation		30		dBm
Input Return Loss		10	12		dB
Output Return Loss	Tx output = ANTENNA pin	6	8		dB
2nd Harmonic Distortion	$P_{OUT} = 20\text{ dBm}$		-27		dBc
3rd Harmonic Distortion	$P_{OUT} = 20\text{ dBm}$		-37		dBc

T/R Switch and Power Down Control

Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Input Logic HIGH		2.4			V
Input Logic LOW				0.7	V
Input Current			10		μA
Switching Speed	10 pF load on RXSW or TXSW, 10% to 90%		1		μs
Power Down Mode Current	PWRDWN = HIGH		1		mA

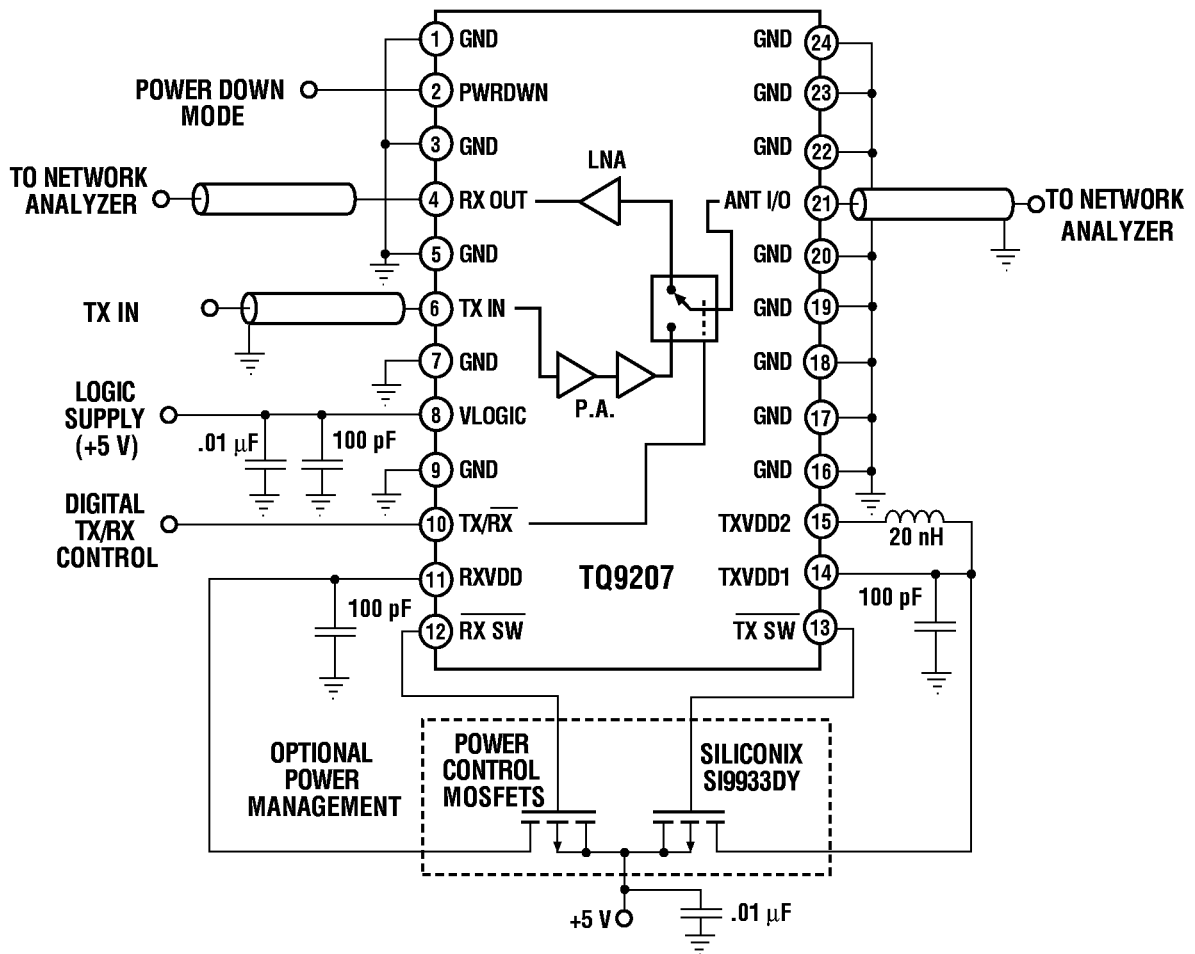
Power Supply

Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Supply Voltage		4.5	5.0	5.5	V
Receive Mode Current	TX/RX = LOW, RXVDD		32	40	mA
Transmit Mode Current	TX/RX = HIGH, TXVDD1 + TXVDD2		190	250	mA
Power-Down Mode Current	PWRDWN = HIGH, total current		1.0		mA

T/R Switch and Sleep Mode Control Truth Table

Mode	Control Signals	
Transmitter Section Active	TX/RX = HIGH	Power Down = LOW
Receiver Section Active	TX/RX = LOW	Power Down = LOW
Power Down Active	TX/RX = HIGH or LOW	Power Down = HIGH

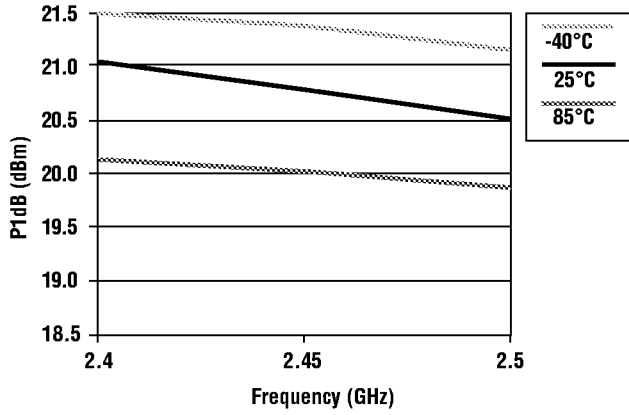
TQ9207 Test Circuit



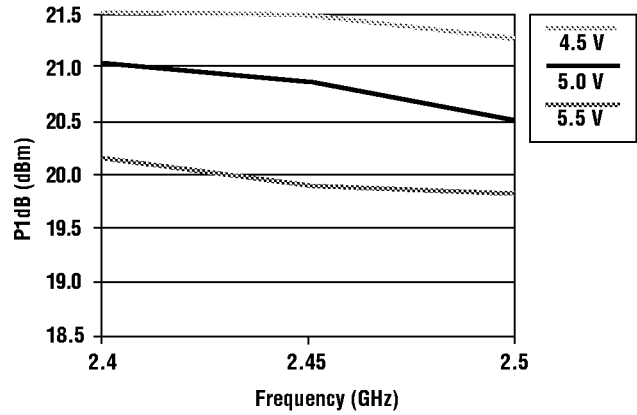
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Typical Performance

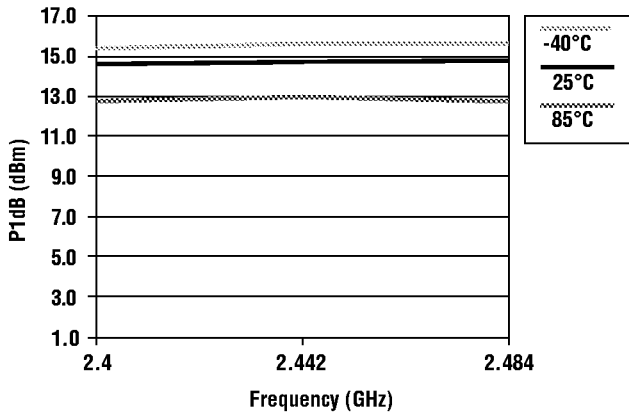
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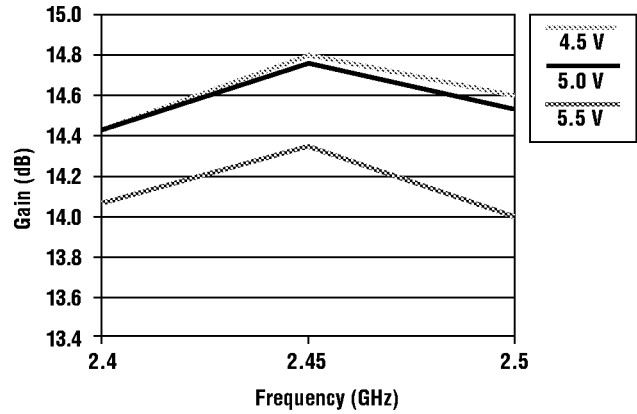
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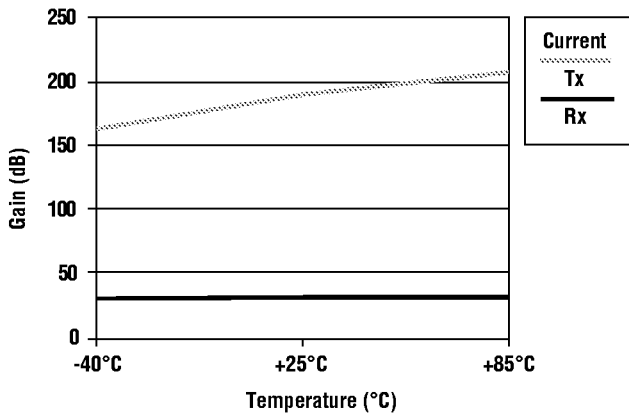
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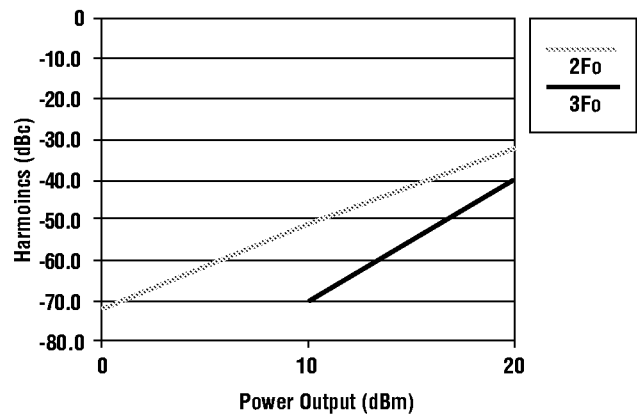
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Supply Current vs. Temperature

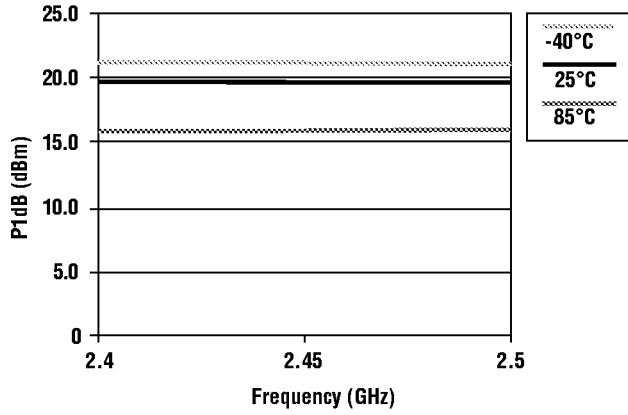


Transmit Harmonics vs. Power Output

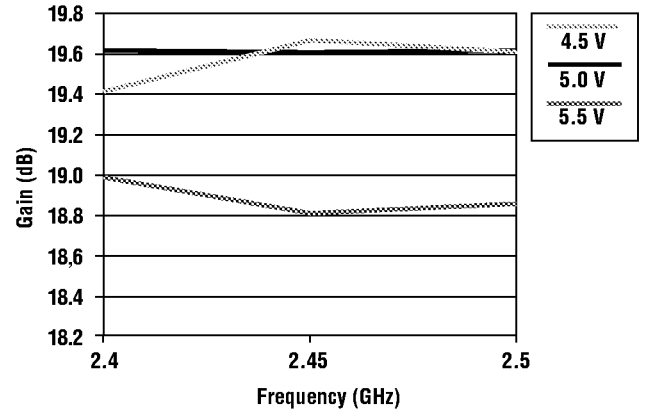


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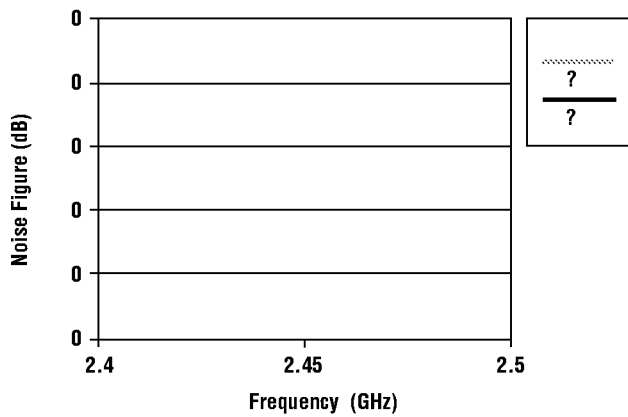
Rx Gain vs. Frequency vs. Temperature



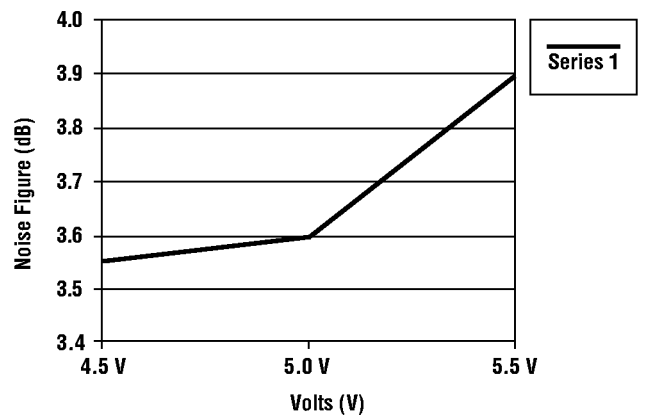
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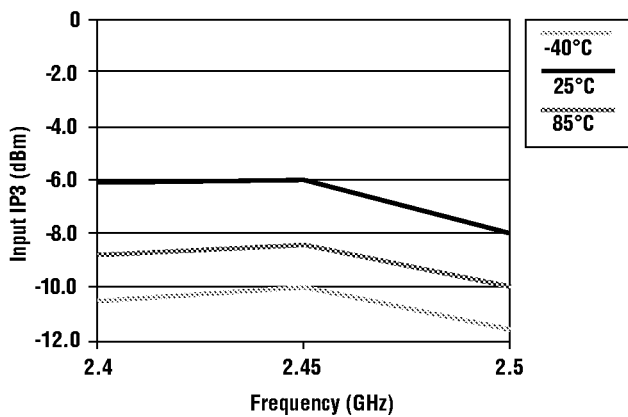
Rx Noise Figure vs. Frequency vs. Temp.



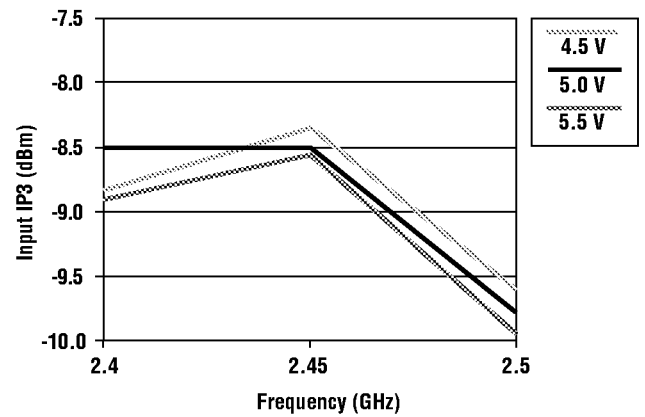
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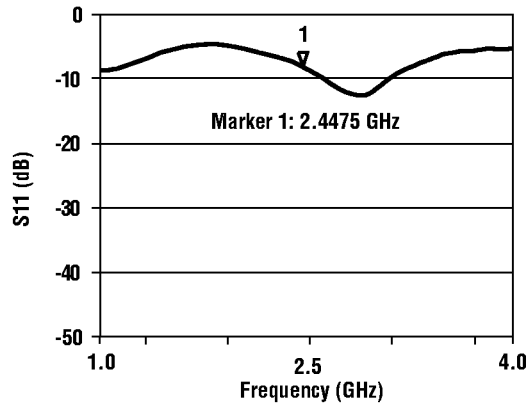
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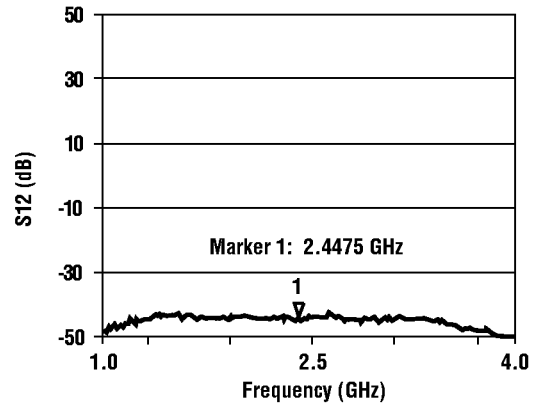
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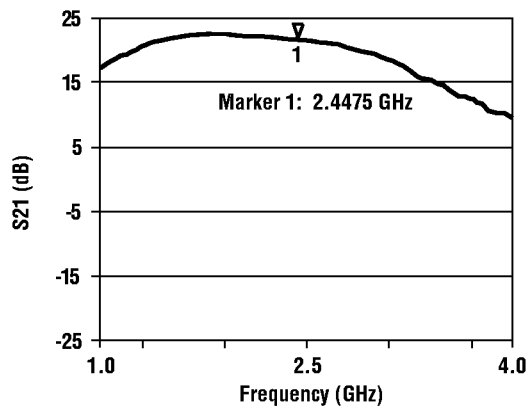
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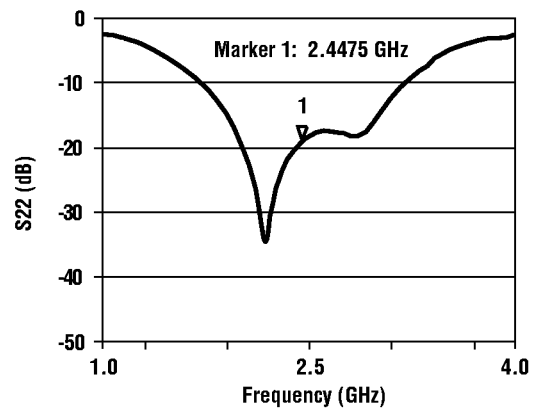
|S12| vs. Frequency



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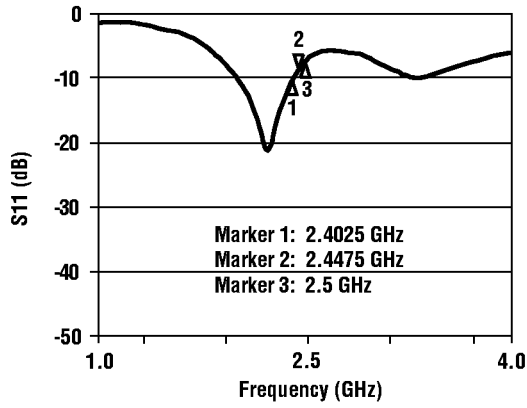


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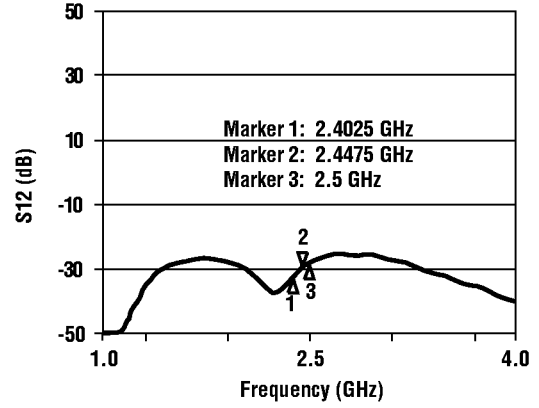


Typical Performance (PA Transmit Mode)

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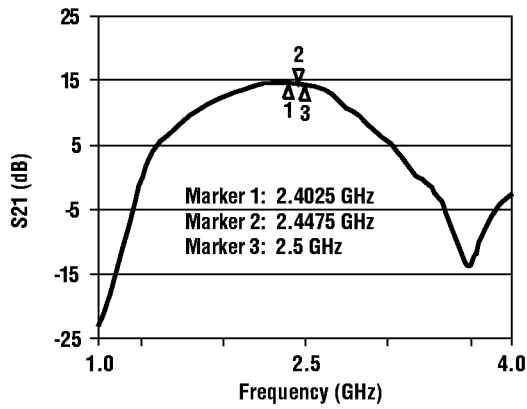


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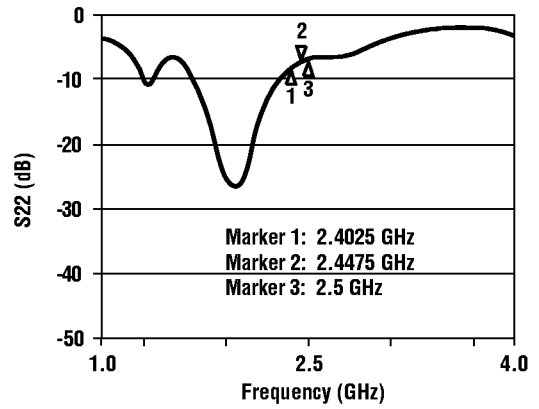


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|S22| vs. Frequency



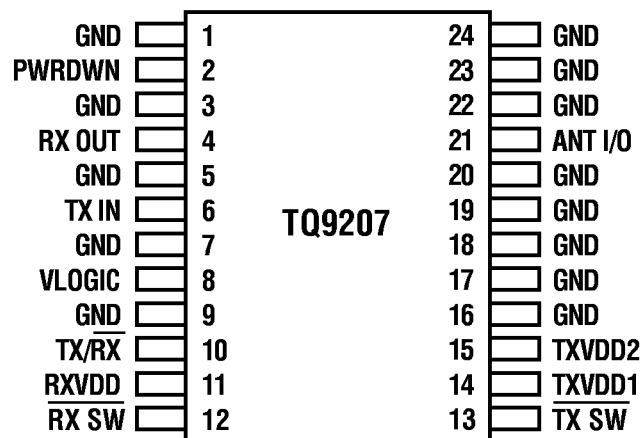
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Pin Descriptions

Pin Name	Pin #	Description
PWRDWN	2	Power down control line; active HIGH. Pulls pins 12 and 13 LOW for external PMOS switch.
RX OUT	4	LNA output. Matched to 50 Ω . Internally DC blocked.
TX IN	6	Power amp. input. Matched to 50 Ω . Internally DC blocked.
VLOGIC	8	Supply voltage for T/R switch and power down. Local bypass caps required. Always on.
TX/R \bar{X}	10	Transmit/receive control line. CMOS logic compatible.
RXVDD	11	Supply voltage for receive circuitry. Local bypass cap required. Permits power management.
R \bar{X} SW	12	Receive Mode power management switch drive. 0 to 5 V output for PMOS switch. R \bar{X} SW = LOW for TX/R \bar{X} = LOW.
T \bar{X} SW	13	Transmit Mode power management switch drive. 0 to 5 V output for PMOS switch. T \bar{X} SW = LOW for TX/R \bar{X} = HIGH
TXVDD1	14	Supply voltage for transmit amplifier 1st stage. Local bypass cap. required.
TXVDD2	15	Supply voltage for transmit amplifier output stage. Series inductance required (20 nH typ.)
ANT I/O	21	Transmit output and receive input. 50 Ω interface to filter or antenna. No blocking caps required.
GND	(1)	Ground connections. Keep lengths physically short for stability and best performance. Use multiple ground vias close to pins.

Note: 1. GND Pins are: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 16-20, 22-24.

TQ9207 Pinout



General Description

The TQ9207 integrates a three-stage, high-gain LNA; a medium-power class A amplifier; and T/R switches.

DC Power and Ground Connections

The TQ9207 was designed to operate from a single +5 V supply. A range of 4.5 V to 5.5 V is permissible for normal operation. The TQ9207 uses separate V_{DD} pins for delivering the supply voltage to different sections of the circuit. This is done for isolation and power management. Each supply voltage pin should be bypassed with a high-frequency ceramic capacitor. The TQ9207 application circuit shows the location and typical values for the bypass capacitors.

As with most RF circuits, a good local connection to ground is very important. The TQ9207 requires a top-surface ground with multiple via hole connections to the backside ground plane for best thermal and electrical performance. These via holes should be located beneath the package and adjacent to the package ground pins.

RF Connections

The TQ9207 operates at microwave frequencies. Controlled impedance transmission lines are required for connection to RF ports. Best results have been obtained with $50\ \Omega$ coplanar waveguide connections to the antenna, RX OUT and TX IN ports. Coplanar waveguide requires a top-surface ground which serves to orient the E-field component of the RF energy in the plane of the circuit board. This provides a ground-signal-ground connection to the TQ9207, yielding minimum discontinuities and best VSWR.

Control Signals

$\overline{TX/RX}$

The $\overline{TX/RX}$ control line selects between the transmit and receive amplifier signal path and controls the power management drivers. On-chip logic controls the mode of operation through both internal T/R switches and external PMOS switches. The T/R switches establish the RF signal path by connecting the antenna port to the transmit or receive amplifier. External PMOS switches are used in series with the RXVDD and TXVDD supply voltages

to power down the unused amplifier function. The on-chip control logic of the TQ9207 provides two logic outputs, which enables gate control for the external PMOS switches.

Power Down

The power down function is an extension of the $\overline{TX/RX}$ control logic. Power down simultaneously shuts down both the transmit and receive amplifiers via external PMOS power switches in series with the TX and RX supply voltages. The \overline{RXSW} and \overline{TXSW} control pins go LOW when the power down pin is HIGH which completely powers down all the internal circuitry except for the logic drivers. Both T/R switches go to a high-impedance state in power down mode. Bias must be supplied to the logic V_{DD} at all times. Power consumption in the power down mode is on the order of 1 mA.

Power down can be eliminated if the TQ9207 is to be used exclusively in either transmit or receive mode.

External Power Management Switches

Silicon PMOS switches are recommended for supply voltage / power down control. PMOS has the current-handling capability and low on-resistance characteristics which provide maximum supply headroom for the TQ9207.

Transmit (TX) Operation

In the transmit mode, $\overline{TX/RX}$ is HIGH and PWRDWN is LOW. The signal path flows through the transmit amplifier and the antenna switch. The RF signal is applied to the TX IN port and is available at ANT I/O. The full +21 dBm output is produced with a drive level of +8 dBm applied at the MXR I/O port. Only the transmit side is active via external power control of TXVDD.

Receive (RX) Operation

In the receive mode, $\overline{TX/RX}$ is LOW and PWRDWN is LOW. The signal path flows through the switch and the receive amplifier. The RF signal is applied to ANT I/O and is available at RX OUT. The full gain and low noise figure is produced up to input levels of -20 dBm at the ANT I/O port. Only the receive side is active via external power control of RXVDD.

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max	Units
+ DC Supply Voltage			8	V
Input Power			+27	dBm
Storage Temperature	-55		155	°C
Operating Temperature	0		70	°C

ESD-sensitive device - Class 1



24-Pin SSOP Package (all dimensions in millimeters)

