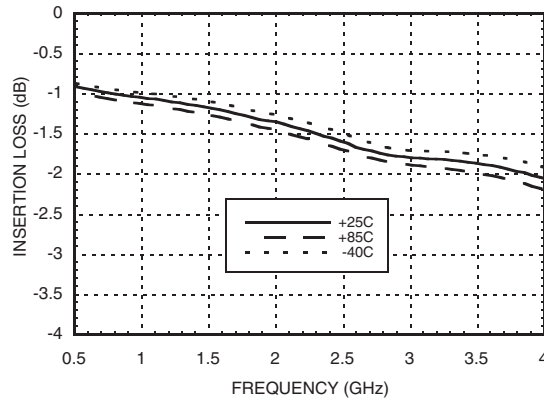


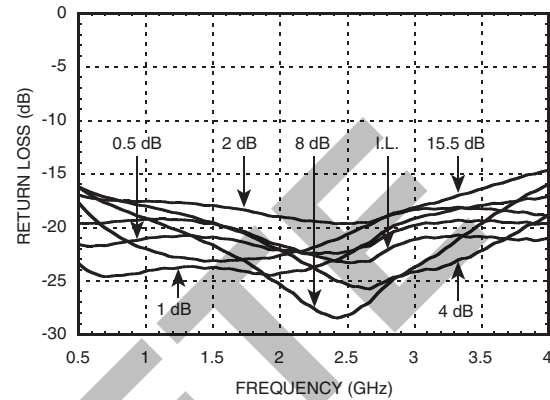


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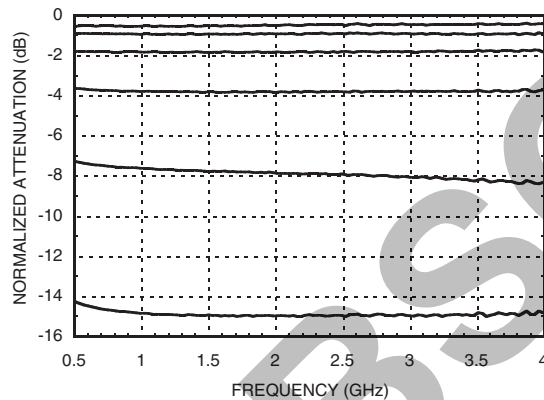
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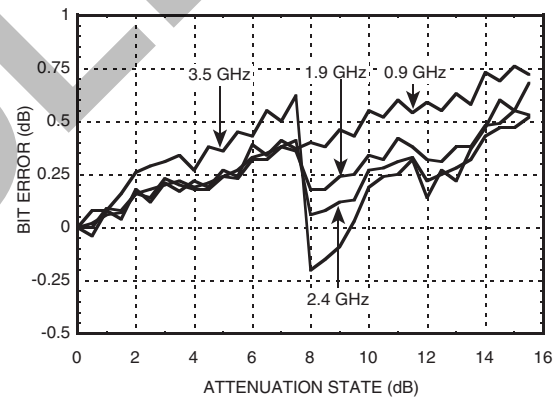
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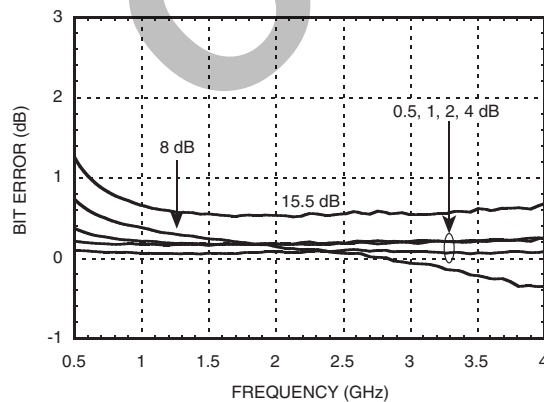
Normalized Attenuation (Only Major States are Shown)



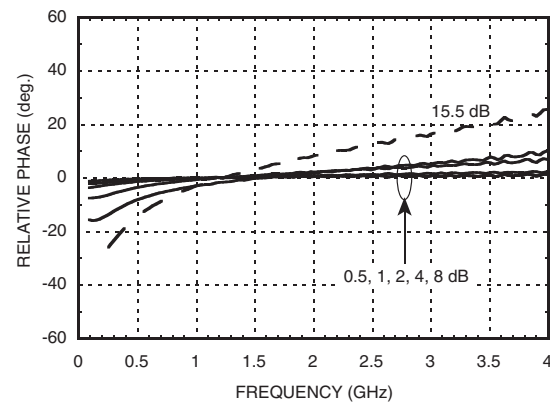
Bit Error vs. Attenuation State



Bit Error vs. Frequency (Only Major States are Shown)



Relative Phase vs. Frequency (Only Major States are Shown)



Note: All Data Typical Over Voltage (+3V to +5V) & Temperature (-40°C to +85°C).

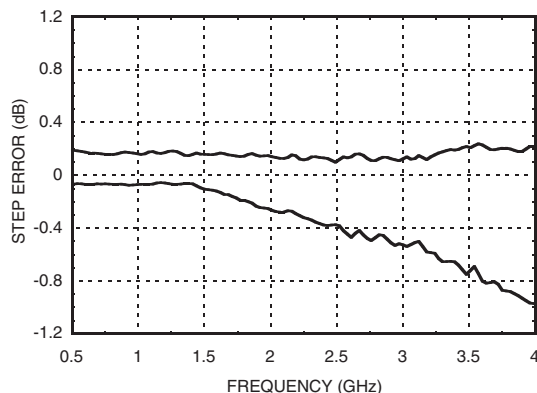
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Worst Case Step Error Between Successive Attenuation States



Digital Control Voltages

State	V _{CC} = +5V	V _{CC} = +3V
Low	0 to 1.3V	0 to 0.7V
High	3.5 to 5V	2.3 to 3V

Serial Input Truth Table

Latch Enable	Shift Clock	Reset	Function
X	X	L	Shift register cleared
X	↑	H	Shift register clocked
↑	X	H	Contents of shift register transferred to Digital Attenuator

Timing

Parameter	Symbol	V _{CC} = +5V		V _{CC} = +3V		Units
		Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	
Serial Input Setup Time	t _s	20	-	100	-	ns
Hold time from Serial Input to Shift Clock	t _h	0	-	5	-	ns
Setup time from Shift Clock to Latch Enable	t _{lsup}	40	-	100	-	ns
Propagation delay, Latch Enable to C0.5 through C8	t _{pd}	-	30	-	70	ns
Setup time from Reset to Shift Clock	-	20	-	50	-	ns
Clock Frequency (1/t _{clk})	f _{clk}	-	30	-	10	MHz

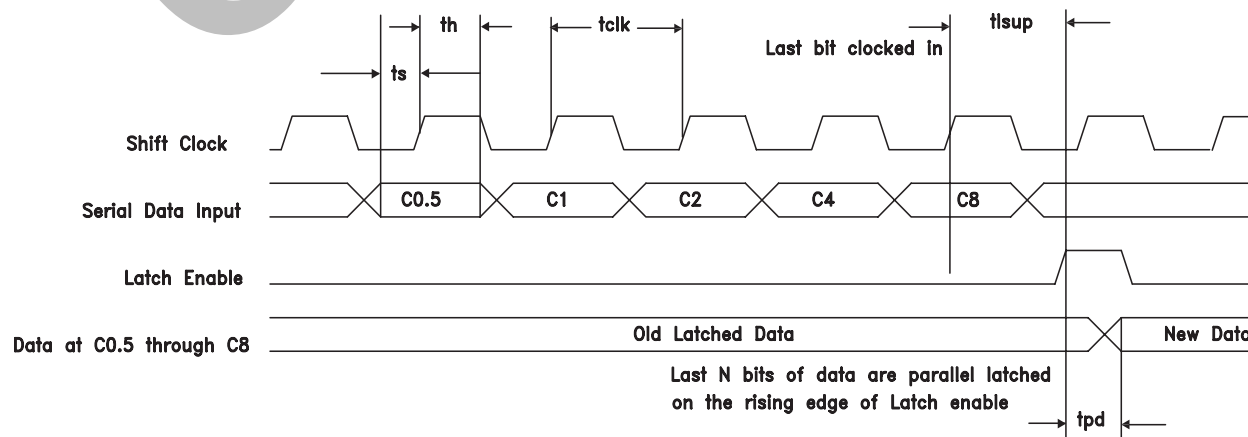
Truth Table

Serial Control Input					Attenuation Setting RF1 - RF2
C 0.5	C 1	C 2	C 4	C 8	
High	High	High	High	High	Reference I.L.
Low	High	High	High	High	0.5 dB
High	Low	High	High	High	1 dB
High	High	Low	High	High	2 dB
High	High	High	Low	High	4 dB
High	High	High	High	Low	8 dB
Low	Low	Low	Low	Low	15.5 dB Max. Atten.

Any combination of the above states will provide an attenuation approximately equal to the sum of the bits selected.

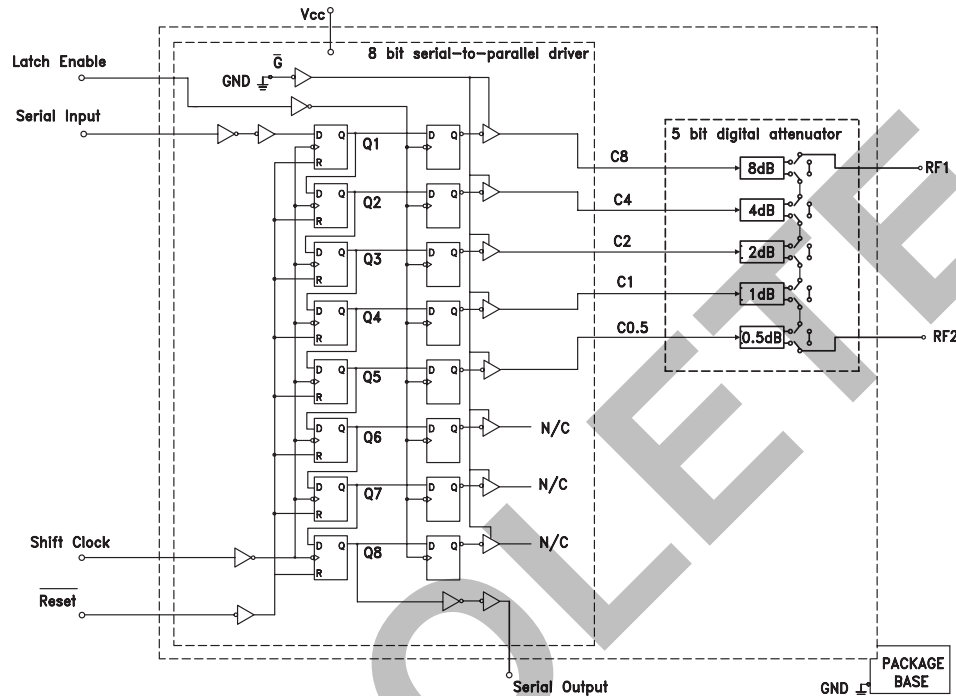
Timing Diagram

Serial data is shifted in on the rising edge of the Shift Clock, LSB first, and is latched on the rising edge of Latch Enable.

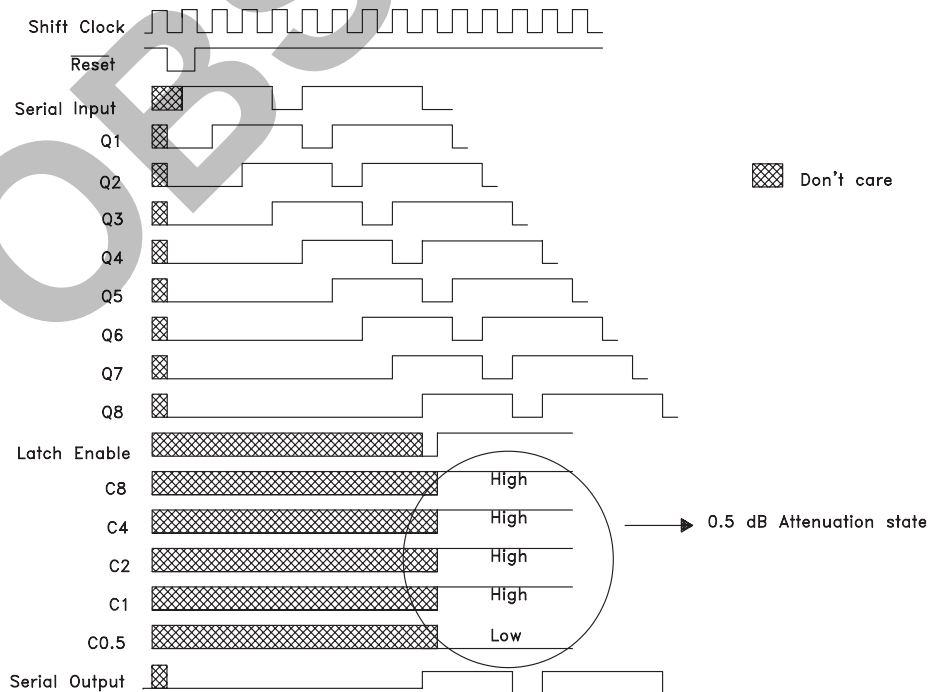


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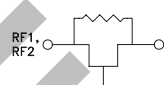
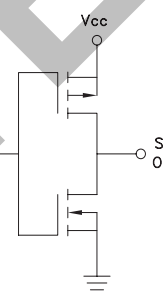
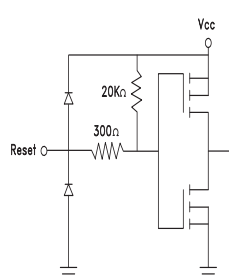
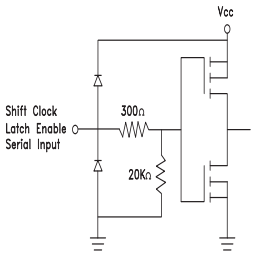
Logic / Functional Diagram



Programming Example to Select 0.5 dB Attenuation State

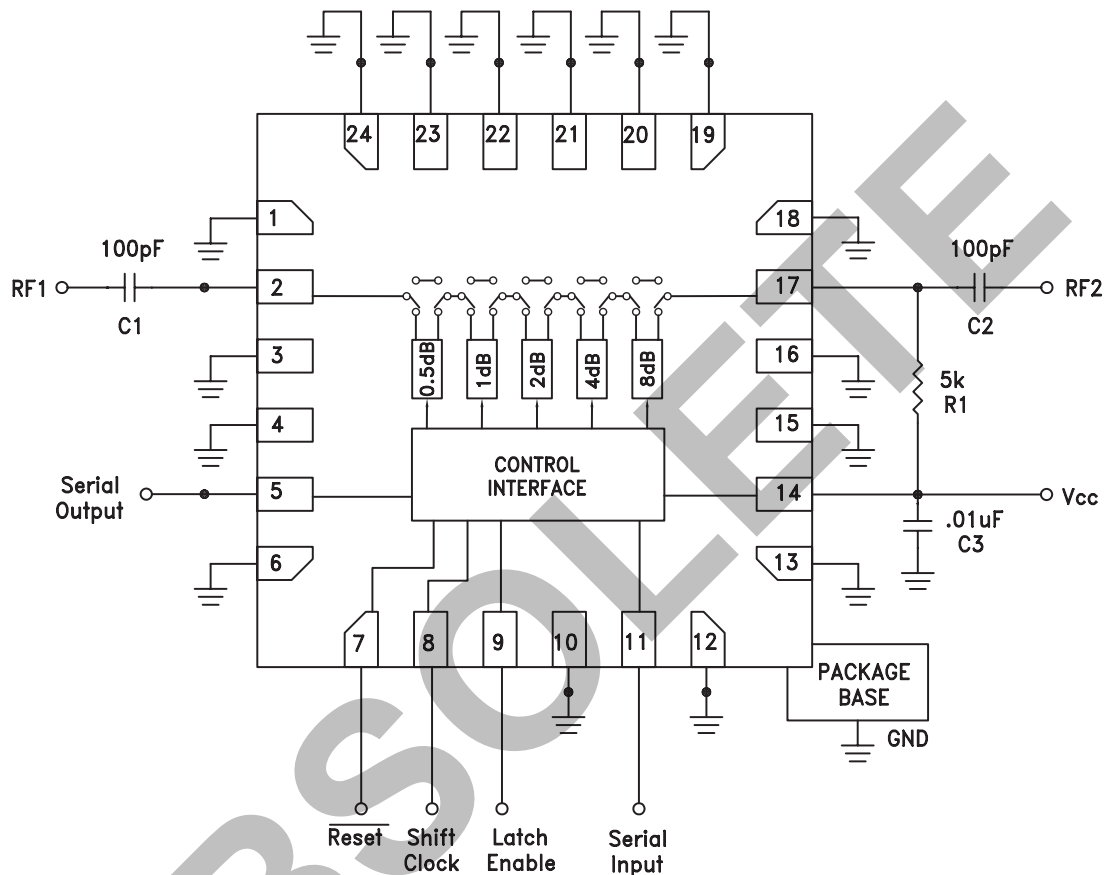



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Pin Descriptions

Pin Number	Function	Description	Interface Schematic
1, 3, 4, 6, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18	N/C	These pins are not connected internally. However, all data shown herein was measured with these pins connected to RF/DC Ground.	
2, 17	RF1, RF2	This pin is DC coupled and matched to 50 Ohms. Blocking capacitors are required. Select value based on lowest frequency of operation.	
5	Serial Output	Serial data output. Serial input data delayed by 8 clock cycles.	
7	Reset	See truth table, control voltage table and timing diagram.	
8	Shift Clock		
9	Latch Enable		
11	Serial Input		
14	Vcc	Supply Voltage.	
19 - 24	GND	Package bottom has an exposed metal paddle that must also be connected to RF/DC Ground.	

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Application Circuit



DC blocking capacitors C1 & C2 are required on RF1 & RF2. Choose $C1 = C2 = 100 \sim 300 \text{ pF}$ to allow lowest customer specific frequency to pass with minimal loss. $R1 = 5 \text{ k}\Omega$ is required to supply voltage to the circuit through either PIN 2 or PIN 17.



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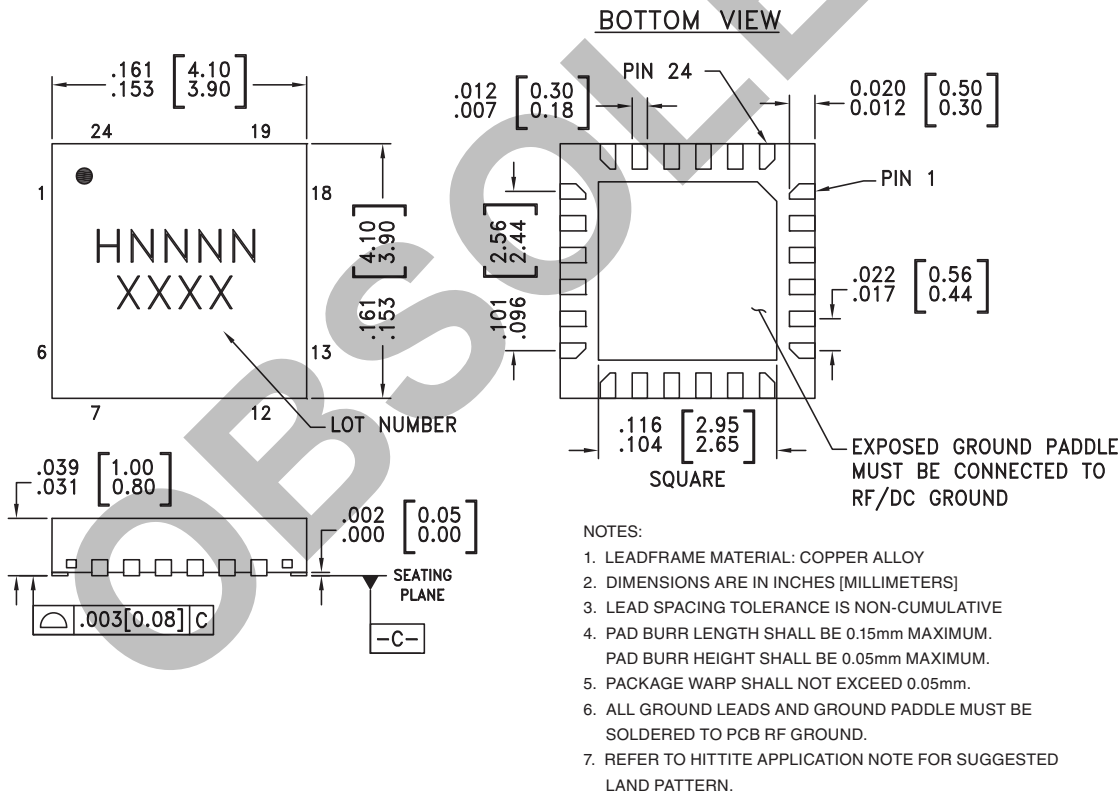
Absolute Maximum Ratings

Digital Inputs (Reset, Shift Clock, Latch Enable & Serial Input)	-0.5 to (Vcc + 0.5) V
Digital Outputs (Serial Output)	-0.5 to (Vcc + 0.5) V
DC Current on Serial Output	±35 mA
Bias Voltage (Vcc)	+5.6 V
Storage Temperature	-65 to +150 °C
Operating Temperature	-40 to +85 °C
RF Input Power (0.7 - 3.8 GHz)	+26 dBm
ESD Sensitivity (HBM)	Class 1A



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Outline Drawing



Package Information

Part Number	Package Body Material	Lead Finish	MSL Rating	Package Marking ^[3]
HMC305ALP4	Low Stress Injection Molded Plastic	Sn/Pb Solder	MSL1 ^[1]	H305A XXXX
HMC305ALP4E	RoHS-compliant Low Stress Injection Molded Plastic	100% matte Sn	MSL1 ^[2]	H305A XXXX

[1] Max peak reflow temperature of 235 °C

[2] Max peak reflow temperature of 260 °C

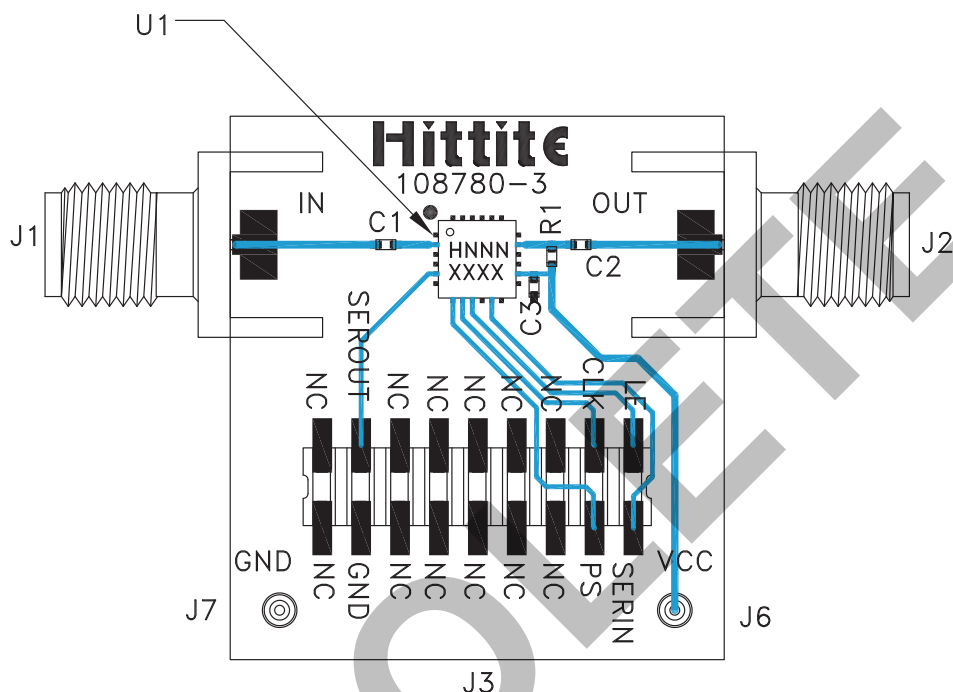
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Evaluation Circuit Board



List of Materials for Evaluation PCB 108782 [1]

Item	Description
J1 - J2	PCB Mount SMA Connector
J3	18 Pin DC Connector
J6, J7	DC Pin
C1, C2	100 pF Capacitor, 0402 Pkg.
C3	0.01 μ F Capacitor, 0402 Pkg.
R1	5 kOhm Resistor, 0402 Pkg.
U1	HMC305ALP4(E) Digital Attenuator
PCB [2]	108780 Evaluation PCB

[1] Reference this number when ordering complete evaluation PCB

[2] Circuit Board Material: Rogers 4350

The circuit board used in the application should use RF circuit design techniques. Signal lines should have 50 Ohm impedance while the package ground leads and exposed ground paddle should be connected directly to the ground plane similar to that shown below. A sufficient number of via holes should be used to connect the top and bottom ground planes. The evaluation circuit board as shown is available from Hittite Microwave Corporation upon request.