

Evaluation Board User Guide UG-167

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Evaluation Board for the ADF4153 Fractional-N PLL Frequency Synthesizer

FEATURES

Self-contained evaluation board including synthesizer, VCO, TCXO for reference frequency, and loop filter Designed for 25 MHz PFD frequency, 2.5 mA charge pump current, and 50 kHz loop bandwidth Accompanying software allows complete control of synthesizer functions from a PC

EVALUATION KIT CONTENTS

EV-ADF4153SD1Z board

CD that includes

Self-installing software that allows users to control the board and exercise all functions of the device Electronic version of the ADF4153 data sheet Electronic version of the UG-167 user guide

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT

PC running Windows XP or more recent version SDP-S board (system demonstration platform, serial only) Spectrum analyzer Oscilloscope (optional)

DOCUMENTS NEEDED

ADF4153 data sheet

REQUIRED SOFTWARE

Analog Devices ADF4153-4-6-7 PLL software (Revision 4 or higher)

ADIsimPLL

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

This board is designed to allow the user to evaluate the performance of the ADF4153 frequency synthesizer for phase-locked loops (PLLs). Figure 1 shows the board, which contains the ADF4153 synthesizer, an edge mounted SMA connector for the RF output signal, power supply connectors, a temperature compensated reference oscillator (TCXO) of 25 MHz frequency, and an SDP connector. There is also a loop filter (50 kHz) and a VCO (Mini-Circuits ROS-1800+) on board.

The package also contains Windows* software (XP or later) to allow easy programming of the synthesizer.

This board requires an SDP-S (system demonstration platform-serial) board (shown in Figure 1, but not supplied with the kit). The SDP-S allows software programming of the ADF4153 device.

EVALUATION BOARD

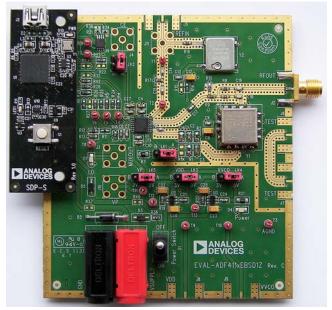


Figure 1. EV-ADF4153SD1Z with SDP-S

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QUICK START GUIDE

Follow these steps to quickly evaluate the ADF4153 device:

- 1. Install the system development platform (SDP) drivers.
- 2. Install the Analog Devices ADF4153-4-6-7 software.
- 3. Connect the SDP-S motherboard to the PC and to the EV-ADF4153SD1Z.
- 4. Follow the hardware driver installation procedure.
- 5. Connect the power supplies to banana connectors (6 V to 12 V).

- 6. Run the ADF4153-4-6-7 software.
- Select the SDP board and the ADF4153 device in the Select Device and Connection tab of the software front panel window.
- 8. Click the **Main Controls** tab. Update all registers.
- 9. Connect the spectrum analyzer to J2.
- 10. Measure the results.

EVALUATION BOARD HARDWARE

The evaluation board requires the use of an SDP-S motherboard to program the device. This is not included and must be purchased separately. The EV-ADF4153SD1Z schematics are shown in Figure 21, Figure 22, and Figure 23.

POWER SUPPLIES

The board is powered from external banana connectors. The voltage can vary between 6 V and 12 V. The power supply circuit provides 3.0 V to $V_{\rm DD}$ on the board (which supplies the ADF4153 AV $_{\rm DD}$ and DV $_{\rm DD}$ pins) and allows the user to choose either 3.0 V or 5 V for the ADF4153 V $_{\rm P}$. The default settings are 3.0 V for the ADF4153 V $_{\rm DD}$ and 5 V for the ADF4153 V $_{\rm P}$. Note that V $_{\rm DD}$ should never exceed 3.3 V. This can damage the device.

External power supplies can be used to directly drive the device. In this case, the user must insert SMA connectors as shown in Figure 2.

INPUT SIGNALS

The necessary reference input comes from an on-board temperature compensated crystal oscillator (TCXO) of 25 MHz frequency.

Alternatively, this can be sourced from an external generator. In this case, remove R16 and R14 to disconnect the TCXO from the supply and from the reference path, insert Connector J11 or the edge mount connector, J5, and connect the external generator to the connector. A low noise, high slew rate reference source is best for achieving the stated performance of the ADF4153.

Digital SPI signals are supplied through the SDP connector, J1. Using the SDP-S platform is recommended. The SDP-B can also be used, but Resistor R57 must be removed on the SDP-B board. Some additional spurious low frequencies may appear if the SDP-B connector is used.

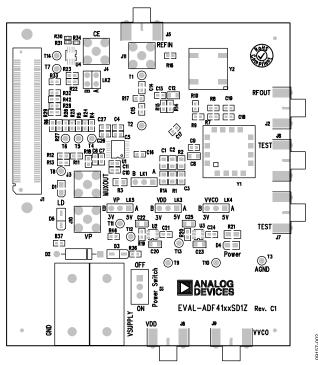


Figure 2. Evaluation Board Silkscreen

OUTPUT SIGNALS

All components necessary for LO generation are inserted on board. The PLL is made up of the ADF4153 synthesizer, a passive loop filter, and the VCO. This board is supplied with a VCO ROS1800+ from Mini-Circuits, which covers a frequency range from 1700 MHz to 1800 MHz. A low-pass filter of 50 kHz loop bandwidth is inserted between the charge pump output and the VCO input. The 2.5 mA charge pump current setting is used. The VCO output is available at RFOUT through a standard SMA connector, J2. The MUXOUT signal can be monitored at Test Point T8 or at SMA Connector J3.

DEFAULT OPERATION AND JUMPER SELECTION SETTINGS

Link positions are outlined in Table 1.

Table 1. Link Positions and Functions

| Link | Position | Options | Description |
|-------------------------|----------|---------|-----------------------------|
| LK1 | Α | R1A | Not used |
| | В | RSET | Normal operation |
| LK2 | Α | GND | Not used |
| | В | VDD | Normal operation |
| LK3 (V _{DD}) | Α | 5 V | Not used |
| | В | 3 V | Normal operation |
| LK4 (V _{VCO}) | Α | 5 V | VCO supply (5 V) |
| | В | 3 V | VCO supply (3 V) |
| LK5 (V _P) | Α | 5 V | V _P supply (5 V) |
| | В | 3 V | V _P supply (3 V) |

SYSTEM DEMONSTRATION PLATFORM (SDP)

The system demonstration platform (SDP) is a series of controller boards, interposer boards, and daughter boards that can be used for easy low cost evaluation of Analog Devices, Inc., components and reference circuits. It is a reusable platform whereby a single controller board can be reused in various daughter board evaluation systems.

Controller boards connect to the PC via USB 2.0 and provide a range of communication interfaces on a 120-pin connector. The pinout for this connector is strictly defined. This 120-pin connector's receptacle is on all SDP daughter boards, component evaluation boards, and Circuits from the Lab™ reference circuit boards. There are two controller boards in the platform: the SDP-B, which is based on the Blackfin® ADSP-BF527, and the SDP-S, which is a serial interface only controller board. The SDP-S has a subset of the SDP-B functionality.

Interposer boards route signals between the SDP 120-pin connector and a second connector. When the second connector is also a 120-pin connector, the interposer can be used for signal monitoring of the 120-pin connector signals. Alternatively, the second connector allows SDP platform elements to be integrated into a second platform, for example, the BeMicro SDK. More information on the SDP can be found at www.analog.com/sdp.

EVALUATION BOARD SETUP PROCEDURE SOFTWARE INSTALLATION

Use the following steps to install the SDP drivers and ADF4153-4-6-7 software.

- Install the SDP drivers by double-clicking SDPDrivers.exe
 and following the relevant installation instructions. See the
 UG-291 for further instructions on installation of the SDP-S
 platform or the UG-277 if the SDP-B platform is used.
- 2. Install the Analog Devices ADF4153-4-6-7 software by double-clicking ADF4153-4-6-7_Setup.msi. If you are using Windows XP, follow the instructions in the Windows XP Software Installation Guide section (see Figure 3 to Figure 7). If you are using Windows Vista or Windows 7, follow the instructions in the Windows Vista and Windows 7 Software Installation Guide section (see Figure 8 to Figure 12). Note that the software requires Microsoft Windows Installer and Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5 (or higher). The installer connects to the Internet and downloads Microsoft .NET Framework automatically. Alternatively, before running the ADF4153-4-6-7_Setup.msi, both the installer and .NET Framework can be installed from the CD provided.
- 3. Connect your SDP board (black) or USB adapter board (green) by USB. If you are using an SDP board, the drivers install automatically, and you are ready to run the software. If you are using a USB adapter board on Windows XP, follow the steps in the Windows XP Driver Installation Guide section (see Figure 13 to Figure 16).
 On Windows Vista or Windows 7, the drivers install automatically.

Windows XP Software Installation Guide

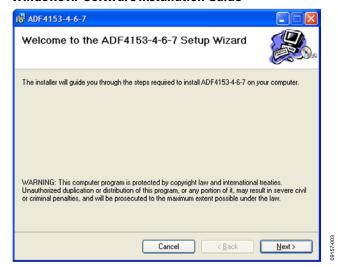


Figure 3. Windows XP ADF4153-4-6-7 Software Installation, Setup Wizard

. Click Next.

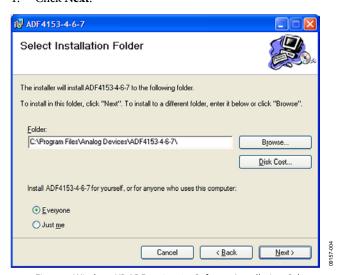


Figure 4. Windows XP ADF4153-4-6-7 Software Installation, Select Installation Folder

2. Choose an installation directory and click Next.

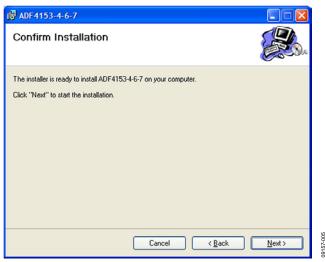


Figure 5. Windows XP ADF4153-4-6-7 Software Installation, Confirm Installation

3. Click Next.



Figure 6. Windows XP ADF4153-4-6-7 Software Installation, Logo Testing

4. Click Continue Anyway.

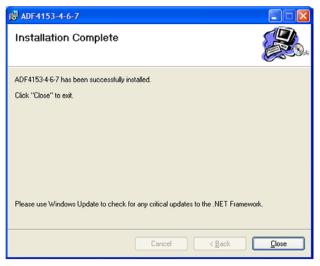


Figure 7. Windows XP ADF4153-4-6-7 Software Installation, Installation Complete

5. Click Close.

Windows Vista and Windows 7 Software Installation Guide



Figure 8. Windows Vista/7 ADF4153-4-6-7 Software Installation, Setup Wizard

Click Next.

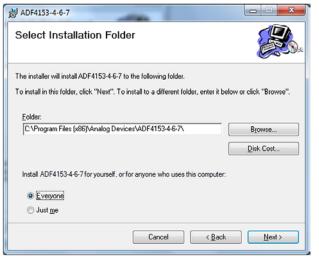


Figure 9. Windows Vista/7 ADF4153-4-6-7 Software Installation, Select Installation Folder

2. Choose an installation directory and click Next.

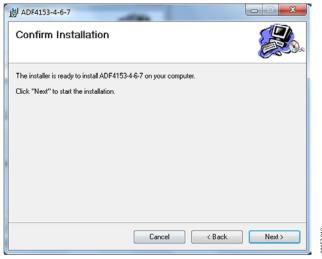


Figure 10. Windows Vista/7 ADF4153-4-6-7 Software Installation, Confirm Installation

Click Next.



Figure 11. Windows Vista/7 ADF4153-4-6-7 Software Installation, Start Installation

4. Click Install.

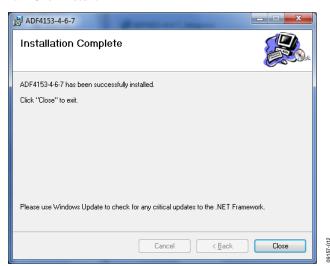


Figure 12. Windows Vista/7 ADF4153-4-6-7 Software Installation, Installation Complete

5. Click Close.

Windows XP Driver Installation Guide



Figure 13. Windows XP USB Adapter Board Driver Installation, Found New Hardware Wizard

Choose Yes, this time only and click Next.



Figure 14. Windows XP USB Adapter Board Driver Installation, Installation Options

Click Next.

Note that Figure 14 may list **Analog Devices RFG.L Eval Board** instead of **ADF4xxx USB Adapter Board**.



Figure 15. Windows XP USB Adapter Board Driver Installation, Logo Testing

3. Click Continue Anyway.



Figure 16. Windows XP USB Adapter Board Driver Installation, Complete Installation

4. Click Finish.

EVALUATION BOARD SOFTWARE

The control software for the EV-ADF4153SD1Z accompanies the EV-ADF4153SD1Z on a CD. To install the software, see the Software Installation section.

To run the software, click the **ADI ADF4153-4-6-7** file on the desktop or in the **Start** menu.

On the **Select Device and Connection** tab, choose your device and your connection method, and click **Connect.**

Confirm that SDP board connected, ADF4xxx USB Adapter Board connected, or Analog Devices RFG.L Eval Board

connected is displayed at the bottom left of the window (see Figure 17). Otherwise, the software has no connection to the evaluation board.

Note that, when connecting the board, it takes about 5 sec to 10 sec for the status label to change.

Under the **File** menu, the current settings can be saved to, and loaded from, a text file.

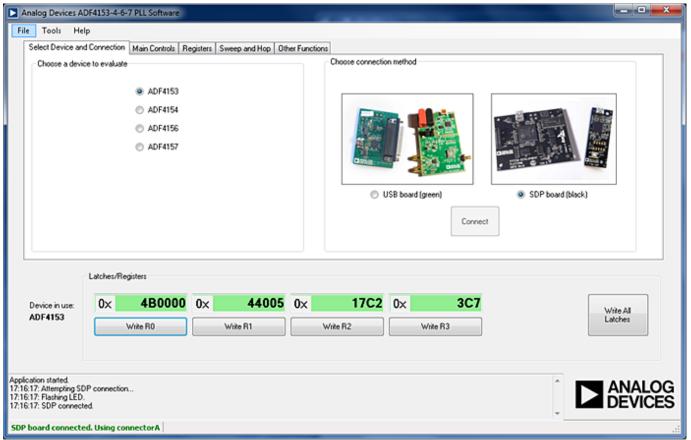


Figure 17. Software Front Panel Display—Select Device and Connection

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The Main Controls tab controls the PLL settings (see Figure 18).

Use the **Reference Frequency** text box to set the correct reference frequency and the reference frequency divider. The default reference on the software window is at 10 MHz; it must be changed to 25 MHz if the on-board reference oscillator is used.

Use the **RF Settings** section to control the output frequency. You can type the desired output frequency in the **RF VCO Output Frequency** text box (in megahertz).

In the **Registers** tab, you can manually input the desired value to be written to the registers.

In the **Sweep and Hop** tab, you can make the device sweep a range of frequencies or hop between two set frequencies.

In the **Latches/Registers** section at the bottom of the window, the values to be written to each register are displayed. If the background on the text box is green, the value displayed is different from the value actually on the device. Click **Write Rx** (where x = 0 to 3) to write that value to the device.

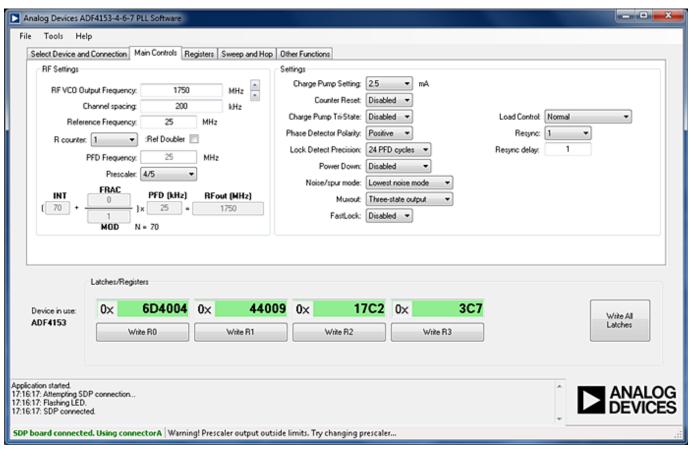


Figure 18. Software Front Panel Display—Main Controls

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EVALUATION AND TEST

To evaluate and test the performance of the ADF4153, use the following procedure:

- 1. Install the SDP-S software drivers and ADF4153-4-6-7 software. Connect the evaluation board to a PC using the supplied USB cable. Follow the hardware driver installation procedure that appears.
- 2. Connect the SDP-S connector to the EV-ADF4153SD1Z.
- 3. Connect a spectrum analyzer to Connector J2.
- 4. Run the ADF4153-4-6-7 software.
- Select the SDP board and the ADF4153 device in the Select Device and Connection tab of the software front panel window.
- 6. In the software window, set the VCO center frequency (Figure 19 shows a screenshot of the signal source analyzer operating in phase noise mode, taken at a carrier frequency of 1750 MHz). Set the proper PFD frequency to 25 MHz, and program the reference frequency to equal 25 MHz. The charge pump current should equal 2.5 mA. See Figure 20 for the suggested setup.
- 7. Measure the output spectrum. Figure 19 shows a 1750 MHz output.

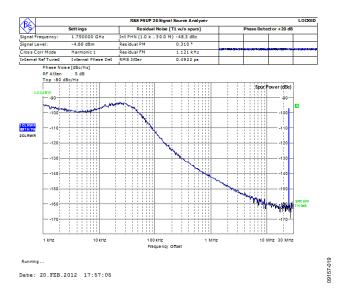


Figure 19. Signal Source Analyzer Display

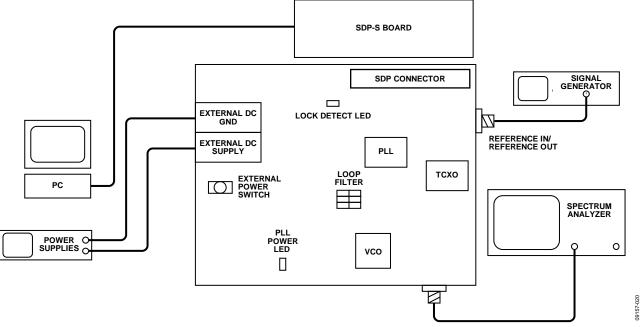


Figure 20. Typical Evaluation Setup

EVALUATION BOARD SCHEMATICS AND ARTWORK

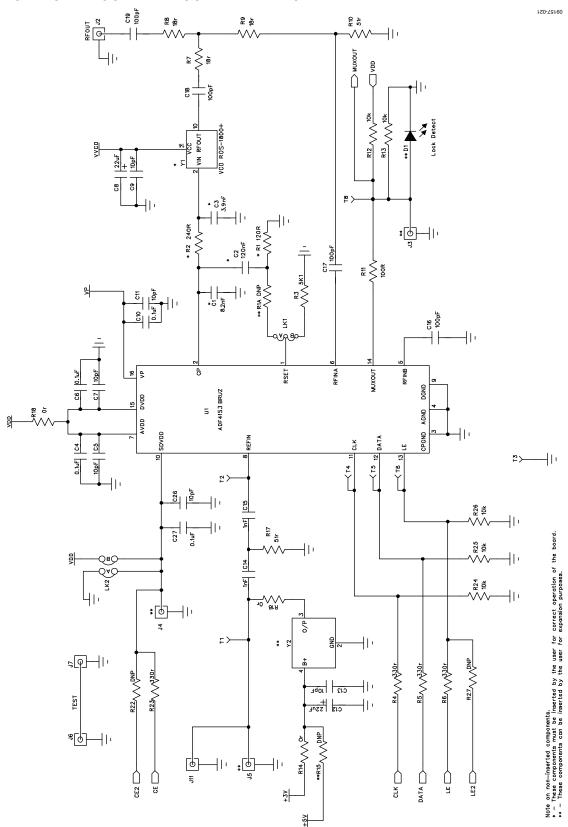


Figure 21. Evaluation Board Schematic (Page 1)

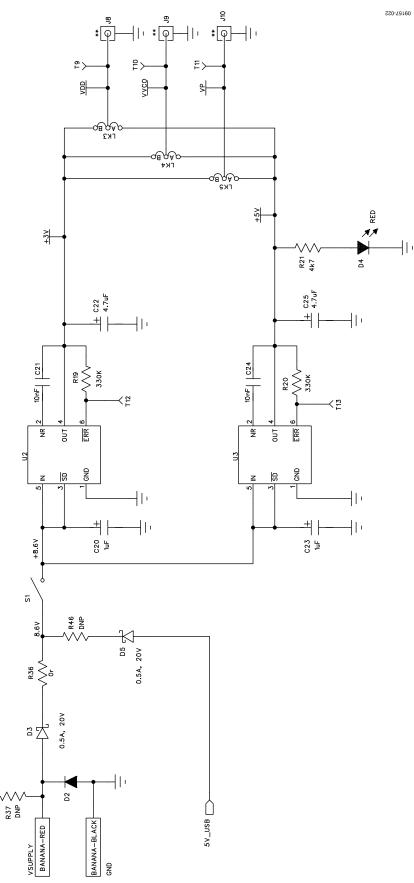


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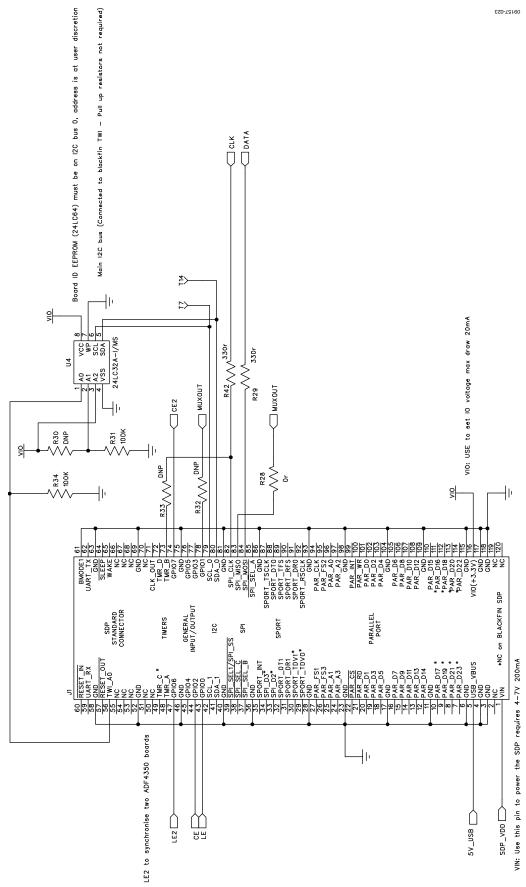


Figure 23. Evaluation Board Schematic (Page 3) Rev. A | Page 15 of 24

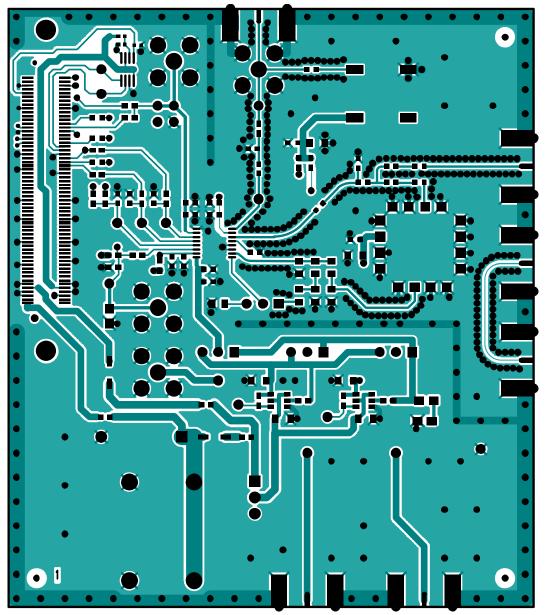


Figure 24. Layer 1 (Component Side)

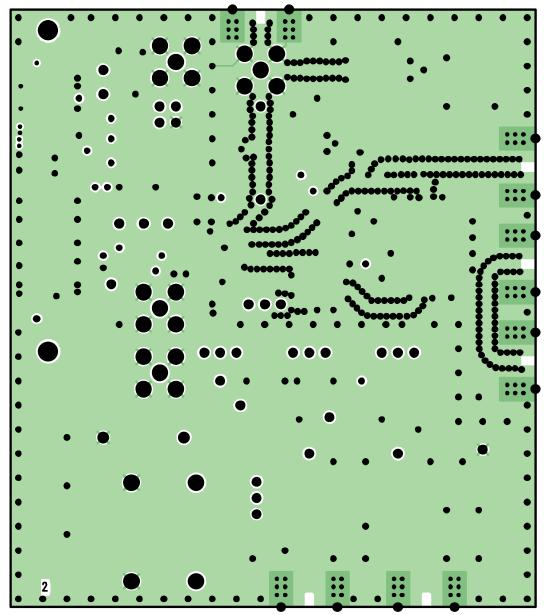


Figure 25. Layer 2 (Ground Plane)

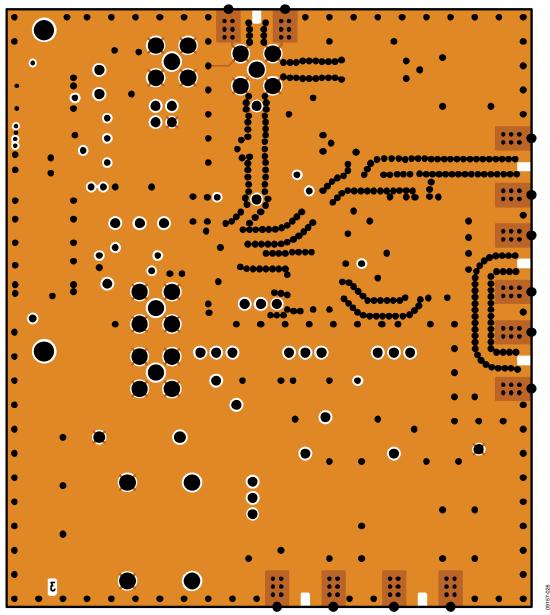


Figure 26. Layer 3 (Power Plane)

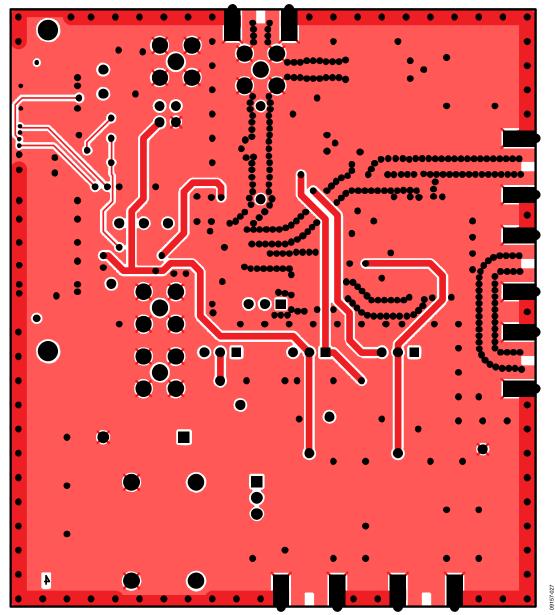


Figure 27. Layer 4 (Solder Side)

BILL OF MATERIALS

Table 2

| Table 2. | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| Reference Designator | Part Description | Manufacturer/Part No. | |
| C1 | Capacitor, 0603, 8.2 nF, 25 V, NP0 | Kemet C0603C822J3GACTU | |
| C2 | Capacitor, 0603, 120 nF, 50V, X7R | Kemet C0603C124K5RACTU | |
| C3 | Capacitor, 0603, 3.9 nF, 50 V | Kemet C0603C392J5GACTU | |
| C4, C6, C10, C27 | Capacitor, 0603, 0.1 μF, 16 V | AVX CM105X7R104K16AT | |
| C5, C7, C9, C11, C13, C26 | Capacitor, 0603, 10 pF, 50 V | AVX 06035A100JAT2A | |
| C8, C12 | Capacitor, Case A, 22 μF, 6.3 V | AVX TAJA226K006RNJ | |
| C14, C15 | Capacitor, 0603, 1 nF, 50 V | AVX 06035A102JAT2A | |
| C16, C17, C18, C19 | Capacitor, 0603, 100 pF, 50 V | AVX 06035A101JAT2A | |
| C20, C23 | Capacitor, Case A, 1 μF, 16 V | AVX TAJA105K016RNJ | |
| C21, C24 | Capacitor, 0603, 10 nF, 50 V | AVX 06035C103JAT2A | |
| C22, C25 | Capacitor, Case A, 4.7 µF, 10 V | AVX TAJA475K010RNJ | |
| D1 | LED, green | OSRAM LGR971-Z | |
| D2 | Diode, DO41, 1 A, 50 V | Multicomp 1N4001 | |
| D3, D5 | SD103C, 6.2 V | ON Semiconductor MBR0520LT1G | |
| D4 | LED, red | Avago HSMS-C170 | |
| J1 | 120-way connector, 0.6 mm pitch | Hirose FX8-120S-SV(21) | |
| J2 | Jack, SMA, SMA_EDGE | Emerson 142-0701-851 | |
| J3, J4, J10, J11 | Jack, SMA, receptacle straight PCB | Not inserted | |
| J5, J6, J7, J8, J9 | Jack, SMA, SMA_EDGE | Not inserted | |
| LK1, LK3, LK4, LK5 | Jumper-2\SIP3, Link-3P | Harwin M20-9990345 and M7566-05 | |
| LK2 | Jumper-2 | Harwin M20-9990245 and M7566-05 | |
| GND | Black 4 mm banana socket | Deltron 571-0100-01 | |
| VSUPPLY | Red 4 mm banana socket | Deltron 571-0500-01 | |
| R1A | Resistor, 0805 | Not inserted | |
| R1 | Resistor, 0603, 120 Ω | Multicomp MC 0.063 0603 1% 120R | |
| R2 | Resistor, 0603, 240 Ω | Multicomp MC 0.063 0603 1% 240R | |
| R3 | Resistor, 0805, 5.1 k Ω , ±1%, 0.1 W | Multicomp MC 0.1 0805 1% 5K1 | |
| R4, R5, R6, R23, R29, R42 | Resistor, 0603, 330 Ω | Multicomp MC 0.063W 0603 1% 330R | |
| R7, R8, R9 | Resistor, 0603, 18 Ω | Multicomp MC 0.063W 0603 1% 18R | |
| R10, R17 | Resistor, 0603, 51 Ω | Multicomp MC 0.063W 0603 1% 51R | |
| R11 | Resistor, 0603 100 Ω | Multicomp MC 0.0625W 0402 1% 100R | |
| R12, R13, R24, R25, R26 | Resistor, 0603, 10 kΩ | Multicomp MC 0.063W 0603 1% 10K | |
| R14, R16, R18, R28, R36 | Resistor, 0603, 0 Ω | Multicomp MC 0.063W 0603 1% 0R | |
| R15, R22, R27, R32, R33, R37, R46 | Resistor, 0603 | Not inserted | |
| R19, R20 | Resistor, 0603, 330 kΩ, ±1%, 0.063 W | Multicomp MC 0.063W 0603 1% 330K | |
| R21 | Resistor, 0603, 4.7 k Ω , ±1%, 0.063 W | Multicomp MC 0.063W 0603 1% 4K7 | |
| R30 | Resistor, 0402 | Not inserted | |
| R31, R34 | Resistor, RC31, 0402, 100 kΩ | YAGEO (Phycomp) RC0402JR-07100KL | |
| S1 | Switch, PCB, SPDT, 20 V | APEM TL36P0050 | |
| T1 to T14 | Test point, PCB, red PK_100 | Vero 20-313137 | |
| U1 | ADF4153, 16-lead TSSOP | ADF4153BCPZ | |
| U3 | ADP3300, 6-lead SOT-23 | ADP3300ART-5 | |
| U2 | ADP3300, 6-lead SOT-23 | ADP3300ART-3 | |
| U4 | 32k I ² C serial EEPROM, MSOP8 | Microchip 24LC32A-I/MS | |
| Y1 | 1700 MHz to 1800 MHz VCO | Mini-Circuits ROS-1800+ | |
| Y2 | 25 MHz, SMD, temperature compensated | Rakon TXO225B | |
| | crystal oscillator | | |

RELATED LINKS

| Resource | Description |
|----------|--|
| ADF4153 | Product Page, Fractional-N Frequency Synthesizer |
| ADP3300 | Product Page, High Accuracy anyCAP® 50 mA Low Dropout Linear Regulator |

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 $I^2C\ refers\ to\ a\ communications\ protocol\ originally\ developed\ by\ Philips\ Semiconductors\ (now\ NXP\ Semiconductors).$



ESD Caution

ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device. Charged devices and circuit boards can discharge without detection. Although this product features patented or proprietary protection circuitry, damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy ESD. Therefore, proper ESD precautions should be taken to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

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