

## Features

- 7.2 GHz to 8.3 GHz Operation
- -106dBc/Hz Phase Noise at 100kHz offset
- 12dBm Pout
- No external resonator or elements needed
- 4mm x 4mm QFN package
- $3 \mathrm{~V} \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{CC}}$ operation


## Applications

- Instrumentation
- Military
- Aerospace
- Point to Point Radio
- Test Equipment
- VSAT
- CATV



## Product Description

RFMD's RFVC1824 is a 3V InGaP MMIC VCO with an integrated buffer amplifier operating over a frequency range of 7.2 GHz to 8.3 GHz . Its monolithic tuning structure provides excellent temperature, shock, and vibration performance while its integrated buffer amplifier provides an output power of 12 dBm from a 3 V supply. Phase noise is $-106 \mathrm{dBc} / \mathrm{Hz}$ at 100 kHz offset. The RFVC1824 is avalable in a low cost leadless ceramic $4 \mathrm{~mm} x$ 4 mm surface mount QFN outline.

## Ordering Information

| RFVC1824S2 | 2 piece sample bag |
| :--- | :--- |
| RFVC1824PCK-410 | PCBA with 2 piece sample bag |
| RFVC1824SB | 5 piece bag |
| RFVC1824SQ | 25 piece bag |
| RFVC1824SR | 100 pieces on 7 " reel |
| RFVC1824TR7 | 750 pieces on 7 "reel |

Optimum Technology Matching ${ }^{\circledR}$ Applied

| $\square$ GaAs HBT | $\square$ SiGe BiCMOS | $\square$ GaAs pHEMT | $\square$ GaN HEMT |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\square$ GaAs MESFET | $\square$ Si BiCMOS | $\square$ Si CMOS | $\square$ BiFET HBT |
| $\square$ InGaP HBT | $\square$ SiGe HBT | $\square$ Si BJT | $\square$ LDMOS |

## Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter | Rating | Unit |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Bias Voltage (V $\left.\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DD}}\right)$ | +3.25 | $\mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{DC}}$ |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TUNE }}$ | 15 | $\mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{DC}}$ |
| Operating Junction Temperature <br> $\left(\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{J}}\right)$ | 120 | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Continuous Power Dissipation <br> $\left(\mathrm{T}=+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | 250 | mW |
| Thermal Resistance (Pad to Die <br> Bottom) | 10 | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}$ |
| Storage Temperature | -40 to +150 | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Operating Temperature | -40 to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| ESD JESD22-A114 Human Body <br> Model (HBM) | $\mathrm{Class} 0,150 \mathrm{~V}$ |  |

## 4 Caution! ESD sensitive device

Exceeding any one or a combination of the Absolute Maximum Rating conditions may cause permanent damage to the device. Extended application of Absolute Maximum Rating conditions to the device may reduce device reliability. Specified typical performance or functional operation of the device under Absolute Maximum Rating conditions is not implied

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| Parameter | Specification |  |  | Unit | Condition |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Min. | Typ. | Max. |  |  |
| Electrical Specifications |  |  |  |  | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}, \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=+3.0 \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{DC}}$ |
| Operating Frequency | 7.2 |  | 8.3 | GHz |  |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TUNE }}$ | 1.5 |  | 14 | V |  |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TUNE }}$ Leakage Current |  | 0.275 | 50 | uA | At $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TUNE }}=10 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| Output Power |  | 12 |  | dBm | At $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TUNE }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| Phase Noise at 10kHz Offset |  | -80 |  | $\mathrm{dBc} / \mathrm{Hz}$ | At $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TUNE }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| Phase Noise at 100kHz Offset |  | -106 |  | $\mathrm{dBc} / \mathrm{Hz}$ | At $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TUNE }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| Harmonics |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2nd |  | -12 |  | dBc | At $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TUNE }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| 3rd |  | -32 |  | dBc |  |
| Output Spurious |  |  | -70 | dBc |  |
| Output Return Loss |  | 10 |  | dB |  |
| Supply Current |  | 65 | 75 | mA | At $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TUNE }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| Pulling |  | 3 |  | MHz | VSWR 2.5:1 all phases |
| Pushing |  | -50 |  | MHz/V | At $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TUNE }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| Frequency Drift |  | -0.5 |  | MHz/C | At $\mathrm{V}_{\text {TUNE }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ |

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## Typical Electrical Performance






Phase Noise 10 KHz and 100 KHz Offset versus Tuning Voltage


## Package Drawing



## Notes:

1. Dimensions in mm.
2. Dimensions are for reference only.
3. Package body material: Alumina.
4. Lead and paddle plating: Au, 30u" minimum.

## Recommended PCB Layout



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| Pin | Function | Description | Interface Schematic |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1 5}$ | GND | Connect directly to PCB ground for best performance. |  |
| $\mathbf{1 6}$ | RFOUT | RF out. This pad is AC coupled and matched for optimum Pout A $50 \Omega$ ter- <br> mination is recommended for this pin. |  |
| $\mathbf{2 0}$ | VCC |  |  |
| $\mathbf{2 2}$ | VTUNE | Connect 3V to power both the oscillator core and the buffer amplifier. <br> oscillation. |  |
| Pkg <br> Base | GND | Ground connection. Solder package bottom directly to ground plane for <br> best performance. |  |

## Application Circuit Block Diagram



Evaluation Board Layout


