

TQP3M9036 High-Linearity LNA Gain Block

Applications

- Repeaters
- Mobile Infrastructure
- LTE / WCDMA / CDMA / GSM
- General Purpose Wireless
- TDD or FDD systems

Product Features

- 100-2000 MHz Operational Bandwidth
- Ultra low noise figure, 0.45 dB NF at 900 MHz
- High gain, 19.8 dB Gain at 900 MHz
- High linearity, +36 dBm Output IP3
- High input power ruggedness, >22 dBm P_{IN, MAX}
- Unconditionally stable
- Integrated on-chip matching, 50 ohm in/out
- Integrated active bias
- Integrated shutdown control pin
- 3-5 V positive supply voltage: -Vgg not required
- Pin compatible with high-band TQP3M9037

General Description

The TQP3M9036 is a high linearity, ultra low noise gain block amplifier in a small 2x2 mm surface-mount package. At 900 MHz, the amplifier typically provides high 19.8 dB gain, +36 dBm OIP3, and 0.45 dB Noise Figure while drawing 68 mA current from a 5V supply. The amplifier does not require any negative supplies for operation and can be biased from positive supply rails from 3.3 to 5 V. The device is housed in a leadfree/green/RoHS-compliant industry-standard 2x2 mm package.

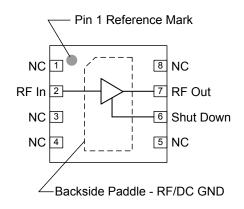
The TQP3M9036 is internally matched using a high performance E-pHEMT process and only requires 4 external components for operation from a single positive supply: an external RF choke and blocking/bypass capacitors. The low noise amplifier contains an internal active bias to maintain high performance over temperature and integrates a shut-down biasing capability for TDD applications.

The TQP3M9036 covers the 100–2000 MHz frequency band and is targeted for wireless infrastructure. The LNA is pin compatible with the high-band, 1500–2700 MHz TQP3M9037.



8-Pin 2x2 mm DFN Package

Functional Block Diagram



Pin Configuration

Pin No.	Label
1, 3, 4, 5, 8	No Connect or GND
2	RF In
6	Shut Down
7	RF Out
Backside Paddle	RF/DC GND

Ordering Information

Part No.	Description				
TQP3M9036	Ultra low noise, High IP3 LNA				
TQP3M9036-PCB	100-2000 MHz Evaluation Board				
Standard T/D size = 2500 pieces on a 7" real					

Standard T/R size = 2500 pieces on a 7" reel



TQP3M9036 *High-Linearity LNA Gain Block*

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Rating
Storage Temperature	−65 to 150°C
Supply Voltage (V _{DD})	+7 V
RF Input Power, CW, 50Ω,T = 25°C	+22 dBm

Operation of this device outside the parameter ranges given above may cause permanent damage.

Recommended Operating Conditions

Parameter	Min	Тур	Max	Units
Supply Voltage (V _{DD})	+3.3	+5	+5.25	V
T _{CASE}	-40		+85	°C
T_{J} (for >10 ⁶ hours MTTF)			190	°C

Electrical specifications are measured at specified test conditions. Specifications are not guaranteed over all recommended operating conditions.

Electrical Specifications

Test conditions unless otherwise noted: V_{DD} = +5V, Temp=+25°C, 50 Ω system.

Parameter	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Units
Operational Frequency Range		100		2000	MHz
Test Frequency			900		MHz
Gain		18.2	19.8	21.2	dB
Input Return Loss	Note 1		13		dB
Output Return Loss	Note 1		11		dB
Output P1dB			+20		dBm
Output IP3	Pout=+5 dBm/tone, Δf=1 MHz	+32	+36		dBm
Noise Figure			0.45	0.75	dB
Power Shutdown Control	On state	0		0.4	V
(Pin 6)	Off state (Power down)	2.5	3.3	V _{DD}	V
Current I	On state	40	68	90	mA
Current, I _{DD}	Off state (Power down)		3	4	mA
Shutdown pin current, I _{SD}	V _{PD} ≥ 3 V		140		μA
Thermal Resistance, θ _{ic}	channel to case		62		°C/W

Notes:

1. Input and output return loss can be improved to better than 15 dB with minimal impact on noise figure by adjusting the values of the bias inductor and output DC blocking capacitor. Refer to the Optimized Return Loss reference design on page 7.

2. Current can be reduced by operating at a lower device voltage. (example: I_{dd} =50 mA at V_{dd} =4 V)



Device Characterization Data

S-Parameters

Test conditions unless otherwise noted: V_{DD}=+5 V, I_{DD}=68 mA (typ.), Temp=+25°C, 50 Ohm system

Freq (MHz)	S11 (dB)	S11 (ang)	S21 (dB)	S21 (ang)	S12 (dB)	S12 (ang)	S22 (dB)	S22 (ang)
50	-7.1	-11.1	28.4	167.9	-33.8	13.3	-22.8	-2.8
100	-7.3	-13.5	28.1	160.6	-33.5	16.7	-20.1	27.8
200	-8.0	-20.6	27.2	145.9	-32.6	28.7	-15.8	32.8
400	-9.8	-30.6	24.8	124.1	-30.1	45.5	-12.4	17.7
600	-11.4	-34.6	22.5	109.8	-27.5	53.1	-11.3	4.5
800	-12.6	-36.2	20.6	99.5	-25.4	56.2	-10.9	-5.8
1000	-13.6	-36.1	19.0	91.3	-23.7	56.8	-10.6	-14.5
1200	-14.4	-35.7	17.6	84.4	-22.2	56.4	-10.5	-22.1
1400	-14.9	-34.8	16.4	78.3	-20.9	55.1	-10.4	-29.2
1600	-15.4	-33.9	15.4	72.7	-19.9	53.4	-10.3	-35.6
1800	-15.7	-33.2	14.4	67.6	-18.9	51.4	-10.2	-41.6
2000	-15.9	-32.6	13.6	62.8	-18.0	49.3	-10.2	-47.2
2200	-16.2	-32.1	12.8	58.2	-17.2	47.0	-10.2	-52.9
2400	-16.4	-31.3	12.1	53.8	-16.4	44.6	-10.2	-58.3
2600	-16.7	-30.5	11.5	49.5	-15.8	42.0	-10.2	-63.6
2800	-16.9	-29.6	10.9	45.3	-15.1	39.4	-10.3	-69.2

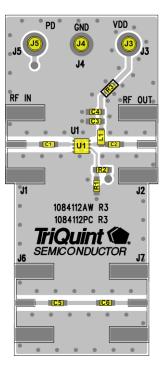
Noise Parameters

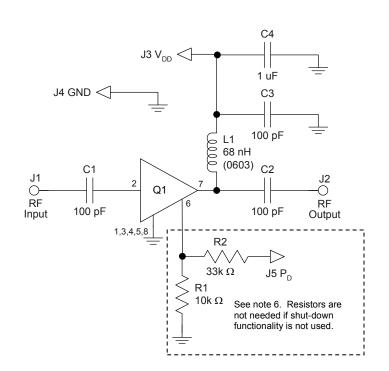
Test conditions unless otherwise noted: V_{DD}=+5 V, I_{DD}=68 mA (typ.), Temp=+25°C, 50 Ohm system

Freq (MHz)	NF _{min} (dB)	MagOpt (mag)	AngOpt (deg)	Rn (Ω)
700	0.356	0.187	10.9	0.062
900	0.452	0.174	22.2	0.060
1100	0.415	0.140	12.1	0.061
1300	0.406	0.142	23.7	0.062
1500	0.377	0.116	-6.64	0.069
1700	0.346	0.115	23.6	0.062



Application Circuit – TQP3M9036-PCB





Notes:

- 1. See Evaluation Board PCB Information section for material and stack-up.
- 2. R3 (0 Ω jumper) is not shown on the schematic and may be replaced with copper trace in the target application layout.
- 3. All components are of 0402 size unless stated on the schematic.
- 4. C1, C2, and C3 are non-critical values. The reactive impedance should be as low as possible at the frequency of operation fo optimal performance.
- 5. The L1 value is non-critical and needs to provide high reactive impedance at the frequency of operation.
- 6. R1 and R2 are optional and do not need to be loaded if the shut-down functionality is not needed; i.e. FDD applications. If R1 and R2 are not loaded, the LNA will operate in its standard "ON" state.
- 7. A through line is included on the evaluation board for board loss measurement and de-embedding.

Reference Des.	Value	Description	Manuf.	Part Number
N/A	N/A	Printed Circuit Board	TriQuint	1084112
U1	n/a	Ultra Low Noise, High Linearity LNA	TriQuint	TQP3M9036
R1	10K Ω	Resistor, Chip, 0402, 5%, 1/16W	various	various
R2	33K Ω	Resistor, Chip, 0402, 5%, 1/16W	various	various
R3	0 Ω	Resistor, Chip, 0402, 5%, 1/16W	various	various
L1	68 nH	Inductor, 0603, 5%, Ceramic	various	various
C4	1.0 uF	Cap., Chip, 0402, 10%, 10V, X5R	various	various
C1, C2, C3, C5, C6	100 pF	Cap., Chip, 0402, 5%, 50V, NPO/COG	various	various
J3, J4, J5	n/a	Solder Turret	various	various

Bill of Material – TQP3M9036-PCB



Typical Performance – TQP3M9036-PCB VDD = 5 V, 25°C

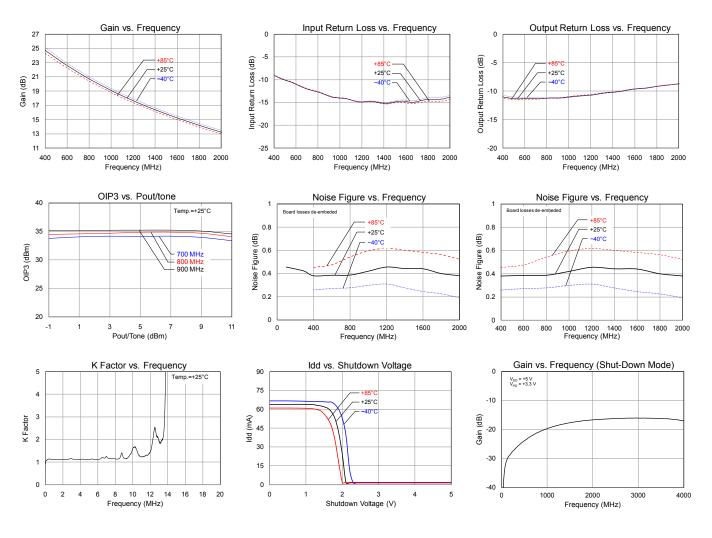
Parameter	Conditions	Typical Value				Units
Frequency		700	900	1500	2000	MHz
Gain		20.8	19.1	15.1	13	dB
Input Return Loss		-11.2	-12.7	-14.3	-13.5	dB
Output Return Loss		-10.4	-11.0	-11.1	-8.6	dB
Output P1dB		+21	+20	+20	+21	dBm
Output IP3	Pout= +5 dBm/tone, Δf=1 MHz	+34.2	+35.2	+36	+37	dBm
Noise figure ⁽¹⁾		0.38	0.4	0.44	0.52	dB

Notes:

1. Noise figure data shown in the table above is de-embedded from the eval board loss.

Performance Plots – TQP3M9036-PCB VDD = 5 V

Test conditions unless otherwise noted: V_{DD} = +5 V, I_{DD} = 68 mA, T_{CASE} = +25°C, 50 Ω system





Typical Performance – TQP3M9036-PCB VDD = 3.3 V

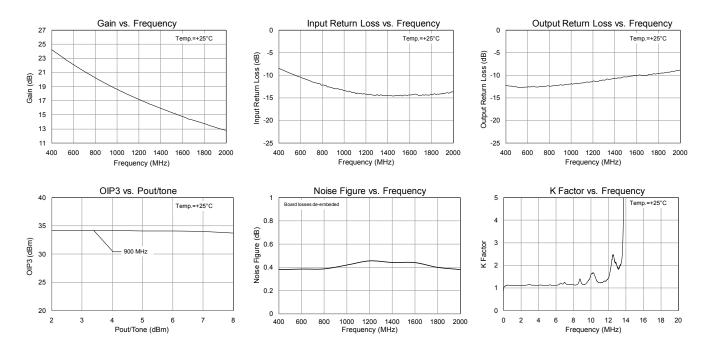
Parameter	Conditions	Typical Value				
Frequency		700	900	1500	2000	MHz
Gain		21	19.3	15.3	12.8	dB
Input Return Loss		10.6	12.2	14.3	13.8	dB
Output Return Loss		11.8	11.5	10	8.7	dB
Output P1dB		+17.7	+18.1	+20.5	+20.7	dBm
Output IP3	Pout= +5 dBm/tone, Δf=1 MHz	+31.1	+31.7	+32.9	+33.7	dBm
Noise figure ⁽¹⁾		0.38	0.4	0.44	0.52	dB

Notes:

1. Noise figure data shown in the table above is de-embedded from the eval board loss.

Performance Plots – TQP3M9036-PCB VDD = 3.3 V

Test conditions unless otherwise noted: V_DD =+3.3 V, I_DD = 45 mA, T_{CASE} = +25°C, 50 Ω system

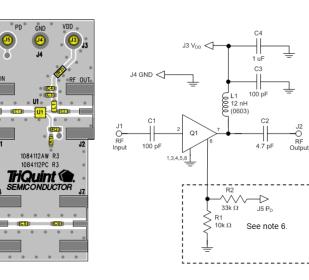




Reference Design – 860-960 MHz Optimized Return Loss

The following reference design provides improved output return loss in the 860-960 MHz band. This is achieved via adjustment of the values of the existing bias inductor and output DC blocking capacitor.

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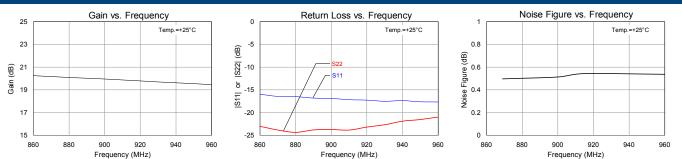
Notes:

- 1. See Evaluation Board PCB Information section for material and stack-up.
- 2. R3 (0 Ω jumper) is not shown on the schematic and may be replaced with copper trace in the target application layout.
- 3. All components are of 0402 size unless stated on the schematic.
- 4. Distance from the right edge of U1 to the left edge of C2 is 115 mils.
- 5. C1 and C3 are non-critical values. The reactive impedance should be as low as possible at the frequency of operation for optimal performance.
- 6. R1 and R2 are optional and do not need to be loaded if the shut-down functionality is not needed; i.e. FDD applications.
- 7. If R1 and R2 are not loaded, the LNA will operate in its standard "ON" state.
- 8. A through line is included on the evaluation board for board loss measurement and de-embedding.

Bill of Material

Reference Des.	Value	Description	Manuf.	Part Number
n/a	n/a	Printed Circuit Board	TriQuint	
U1	n/a	TQP3M9036 Sample	TriQuint	TQP3M9036
L1	12 nH	IND, 0603, 5%, CHIP	various	
C1, C3, C5, C6	100 pF	CAP, 0402, 5%, 50V, NPO/COG	various	
C2	4.7 pF	CAP, 0402, ± 0.1 pF, 50V, U-Series	AVX	04025U4R7BAT2A
C4	1.0 uF	CAP, 0402, 10%, 10V, NPO, X5R	various	
R1	10K Ω	RES, 0402, 5%, 1/16W	various	
R2	33K Ω	RES, 0402, 5%, 1/16W	various	
R3	0 Ω	RES, 0402, 5%, 1/16W	various	

RF Performance Plots





Switching Speed

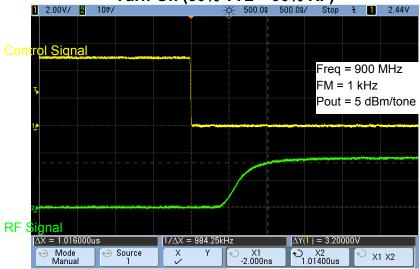
Switching Speed Measurement based on TQS Application Board

Using Shutdown Circuit: V_{PD}=5V, V_{DD}=5V

Parameter	Measurements	Units
Turn-off Transition (50% TTL – 10% RF)	0.5	μs
Turn-on Transition (50% TTL – 90% RF)	1.0	μs



Turn-On (50% TTL – 90% RF)

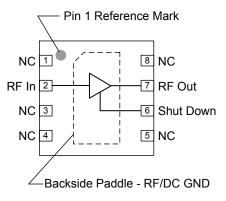


Note:

1. Reducing input series capacitance (C1) will improve the switching speed.

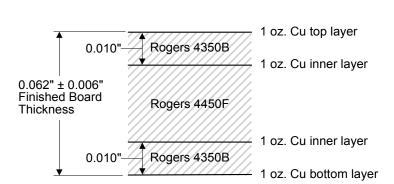


Pin Configuration and Description



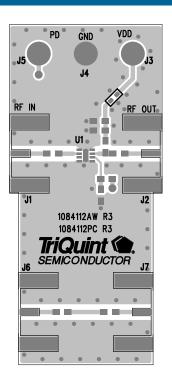
Pin No.	Label	Description	
2	RF In	RF Input pin. A DC Block is required.	
6	Shut Down	A high voltage turns off the device. If the pin is not connected or is less than 1V, then the device will operate under its normal operating condition.	
7	RF Out / DCBias	RF Output pin. DC bias will also need to be injected through a RF bias choke/inductor for operation.	
1, 3, 4, 5, 8	NC	No electrical connection. Provide grounded land pads for PCB mounting integrity.	
Backside Paddle	RF/DC GND	RF/DC ground. Use recommended via pattern to minimize inductance and thermal resistance; see PCB Mounting Pattern for suggested footprint.	

Evaluation Board PCB Information



TriQuint PCB 1084112 Material and Stack-up

50 ohm line dimensions: width = .020", spacing = .032"

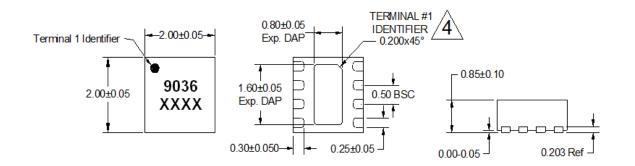




Mechanical Information

Package Marking and Dimensions

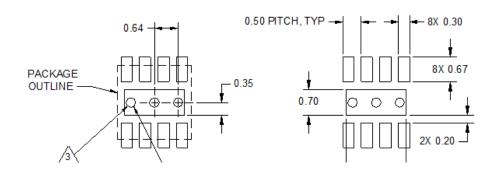
Marking: Part number – 9036 Lot Code – XXXX



NOTES:

- 1. All dimensions are in millimeters. Angles are in degrees.
- 2. Except where noted, this part outline conforms to JEDEC standard MO-220, Issue E (Variation VGGC) for thermally enhanced plastic very thin fine pitch quad flat no lead package (QFN).
- 3. Dimension and tolerance formats conform to ASME Y14.4M-1994.
- 4. The terminal #1 identifier and terminal numbering conform to JESD 95-1 SPP-012.

PCB Mounting Pattern



NOTES:

- 1. All dimensions are in millimeters. Angles are in degrees.
- 2. Use 1 oz. copper minimum for top and bottom layer metal.
- 3. Vias are required under the backside paddle of this device for proper RF/DC grounding and thermal dissipation. We recommend a 0.35mm (#80/.0135") diameter bit for drilling via holes and a final plated thru diameter of 0.25 mm (0.10").
- 4. Ensure good package backside paddle solder attach for reliable operation and best electrical performance.



Product Compliance Information

ESD Sensitivity Ratings



Caution! ESD-Sensitive Device

ESD Rating:Class 1BValue:Passes ≥ 500 V to < 1000V</td>Test:Human Body Model (HBM)Standard:JEDEC Standard JESD22-A114

ESD Rating:Class C2Value:Passes ≥ 500 V to <1000V</td>Test:Charged Device Model (CDM)Standard:JEDEC Standard JESD22-C101

MSL Rating

MSL Rating: Level 1 Test: 260°C convection reflow Standard: JEDEC Standard IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020

Solderability

Compatible with both lead-free (260 °C max. reflow temperature) and tin/lead (245 °C max. reflow temperature) soldering processes.

Package contact plating: NiPdAu

This part is compliant with EU 2002/95/EC RoHS directive (Restrictions on the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment).

RoHs Compliance

This product also has the following attributes:

- Lead Free
- Halogen Free (Chlorine, Bromine)
- Antimony Free
- TBBP-A (C₁₅H₁₂Br₄0₂) Free
- PFOS Free
- SVHC Free

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