GRF2541

Preliminary

High Gain, Ultra-LNA w/Bypass
802.11ac: 4.9—6.0 GHz

Features

Reference: 3.3V/18mA/5.5 GHz

- EVB NF: 1.2 dB
- Gain: 16.4 dB
- IP1dB: -10.2 dBm

- Flexible Bias Voltage and Current
- Internally Matched to 50 Ω
- Process: GaAs pHEMT

Applications

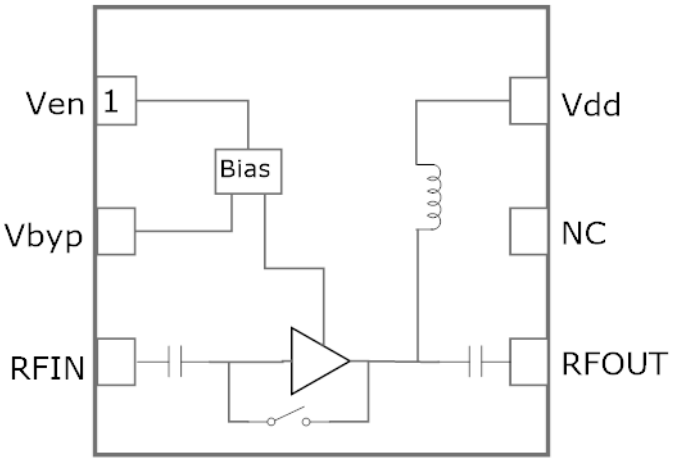
- WiFi Access Points
- Mobile WiFi Devices
- 802.11p Vehicle Communications
- Microwave Backhaul

Product Description

GRF2541 is an ultra-low noise amplifier (LNA) with by-pass designed for IEEE 802.11a/n/ac/p applications in the 5GHz band (5.1 GHz to 5.925 GHz). The device exhibits outstanding de-embedded noise figure (NF) of 1.0 dB along with a high gain of approximately 16.4 dB

Guerrilla Armor™ technology provides exceptional off-state isolation in the presence of high RF input signal levels in LNA disabled mode. The LNA is operated from a single positive supply of 2.7 to 5.0 V with typical bias condition of 3.3 volts and 18 mA.

Consult with the GRF applications engineering team for custom tuning/evaluation board data and device s-parameters.



1.5 x 1.5 mm DFN-6

Absolute Ratings:

Parameter	Symbol	Min.	Max.	Unit
Supply Voltage	V_{DD}	0	6.0	V
RF Input Power: (Load VSWR < 2:1; V_D: 5.0 volts)	$P_{IN\ MAX}$		15	dBm
Operating Temperature (Package Heat Sink)	T_{AMB}	-40	105	°C
Maximum Channel Temperature (MTTF > 10^6 Hours)	T_{MAX}		170	°C
Maximum Dissipated Power	$P_{DISS\ MAX}$		200	mW
Electrostatic Discharge:				
Charged Device Model:	CDM	1500		V
Human Body Model:	HBM	250		V
Storage:				
Storage Temperature	T_{STG}	-65	150	°C
Moisture Sensitivity Level	MSL		1	--

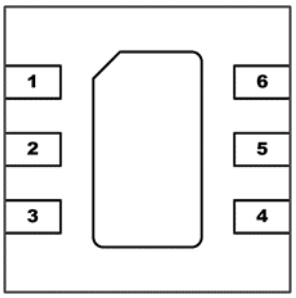
Caution! ESD Sensitive Device

Exceeding Absolute Maximum Rating conditions may cause permanent damage to the device.

Note: For package dimensions and manufacturing information, see the Guerrilla-RF.com website for the following document located on the GRF2541 landing page: Manufacturing Note—MN-001 Product Tape and Reel, Solderability and Package Outline Specification.

Link to manufacturing note

Pin Out (Top View)



Pin Assignments:

Pin	Name	Description	Note
1	V_{ENABLE}	LNA enable	V_{ENABLE} and series resistor set I_{DDQ}. V_{ENABLE} < 0.2 volts disables device. On-die pull-down resistor will turn the part off if this node is allowed to float.
2	V_{BYP}	Bypass function enable	Logic high invokes the LNA bypass mode.
3	RF_In	LNA RF input	Internally matched to 50 Ω. These ports may be DC connected to ground externally but no DC > 0.2 volts should be applied to these ports.
4	RF_Out	LNA RF output	
5	NC	No Connect or Ground	No internal connections to die
6	VDD	Supply Voltage for the LNA	Requires bypass capacitance as close as possible to pin on PCB
PKG BASE	GND	Ground	Provides DC and RF ground for LNA, as well as thermal heat sink. Recommend multiple 8 mil vias beneath the package for optimal RF and thermal performance. Refer to evaluation board top layer graphic on schematic page.

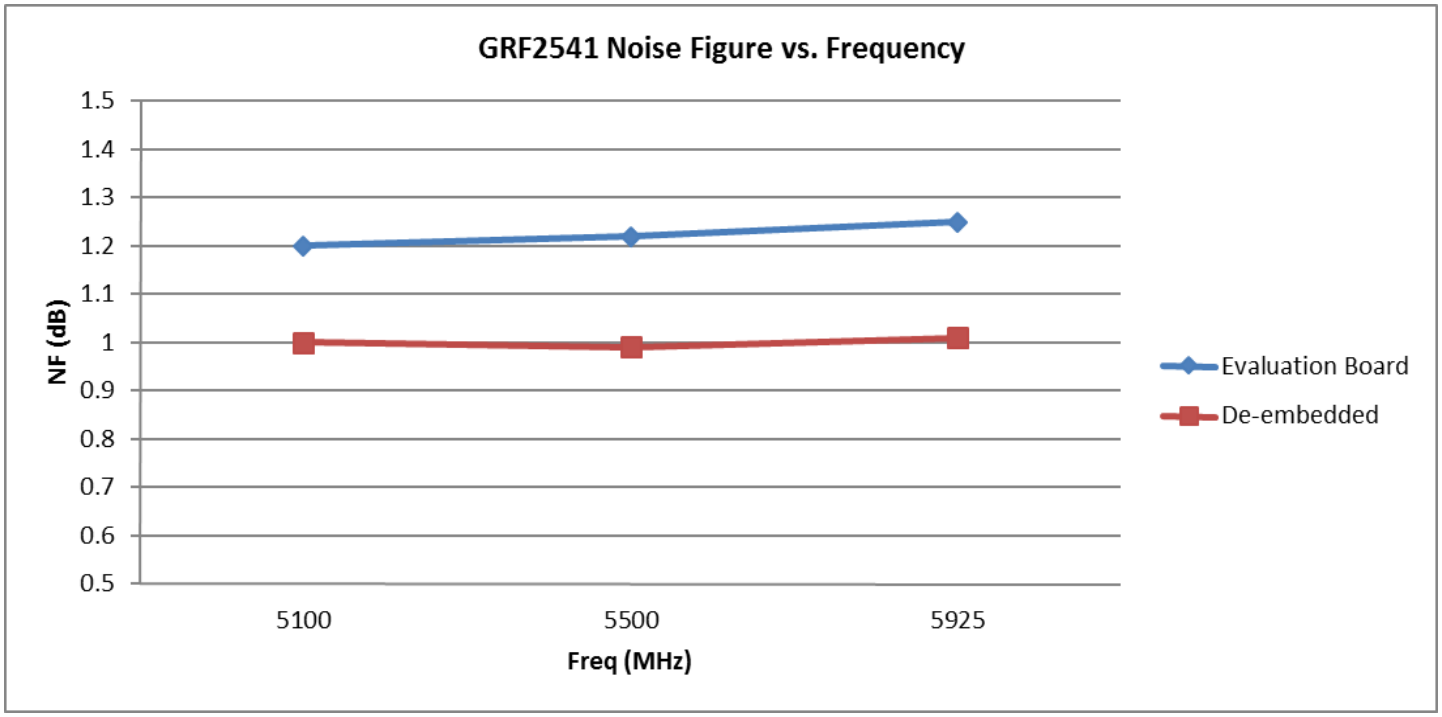
V_{ENABLE} Truth Table:

Mode	Description	V_{ENABLE}	V_{BYP}
High Gain	High LNA Gain	1	0
Bypass	High Linearity Bypass	0	1
Disabled	LNA Powered Down	0	0
Logic Level “0”	Logic Low	0.0V to 0.1V	0.0V to 0.1V
Logic Level “1”	Logic High	1.5V to Vdd	1.5V to Vdd

Nominal Operating Parameters:

Parameter	Symbol	Specification			Unit	Condition
		Min.	Typ.	Max.		
High Gain Mode						V_{DD} = 3.3 V; V_{ENABLE}: High; V_{BYPASS}: 0.0 V
Test Frequency	F_{TEST}		5.5		GHz	
Gain	S21		16.4		dB	
Noise Figure (Evaluation Board)	NF		1.2		dB	
Input Power for 1.0% EVM (Gain Mode)	IP1%		-22.0		dBm	Waveform: 802.11a/g; PAR: 11.6 dB
Input Power for 1.0% EVM (Bypass Mode)	IP1%		-9.0		dBm	Waveform: 802.11a/g; PAR: 11.6 dB
Input 1dB Compression Point	IP1dB		-10.2		dBm	
Supply Current	I_{DD}		18		mA	
Enable Current	I_{ENABLE}		1.0		mA	
Bypass Mode						V_{DD}: 3.3 V; Ven: 0.0 V; V_{BYP}: High
Gain	S(2,1)		-5.1		dB	
Input 1dB Compression Point	IP1dB		5.0		dBm	
Disabled Mode (Guerrilla Armor)						V_{DD} = 3.3V, V_{ENABLE}=V_{BYPASS}= 0.0 V
Gain	S(2,1)		-32		dB	RF Input Power: +20 dBm
Supply Current (Leakage)	I_{DD}		500		µA	
Enable Current	I_{ENABLE}		0.01		µA	
Thermal Data						
Thermal Resistance (Infra-Red Scan)	Θjc		150		°C/W	
Channel Temperature @ +85 C reference (Package heat sink)	$T_{CHANNEL}$		94		°C	V_{DD}: 3.3 V; I_{DDQ}: 18 mA; No RF; Dissipated Power: 60 mW

GRF2541 Evaluation Board Measured Data:



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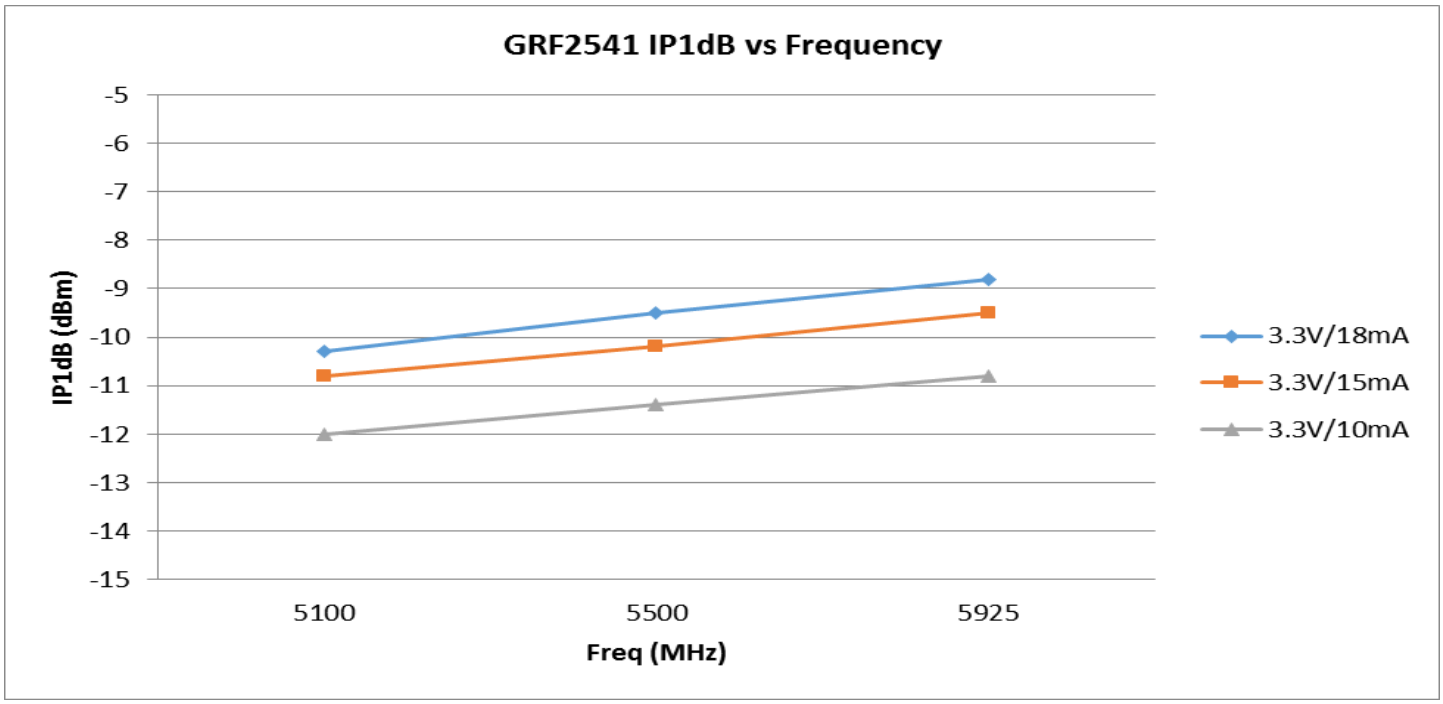
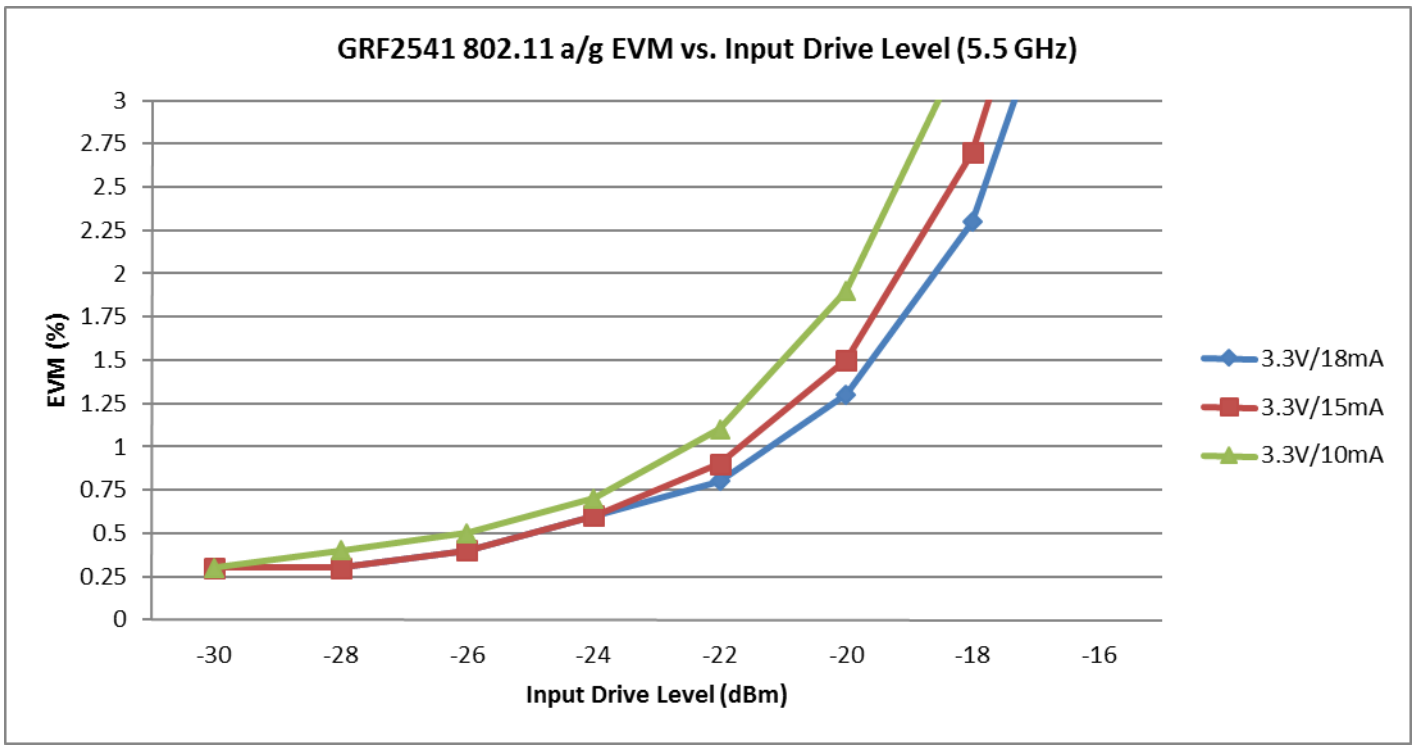
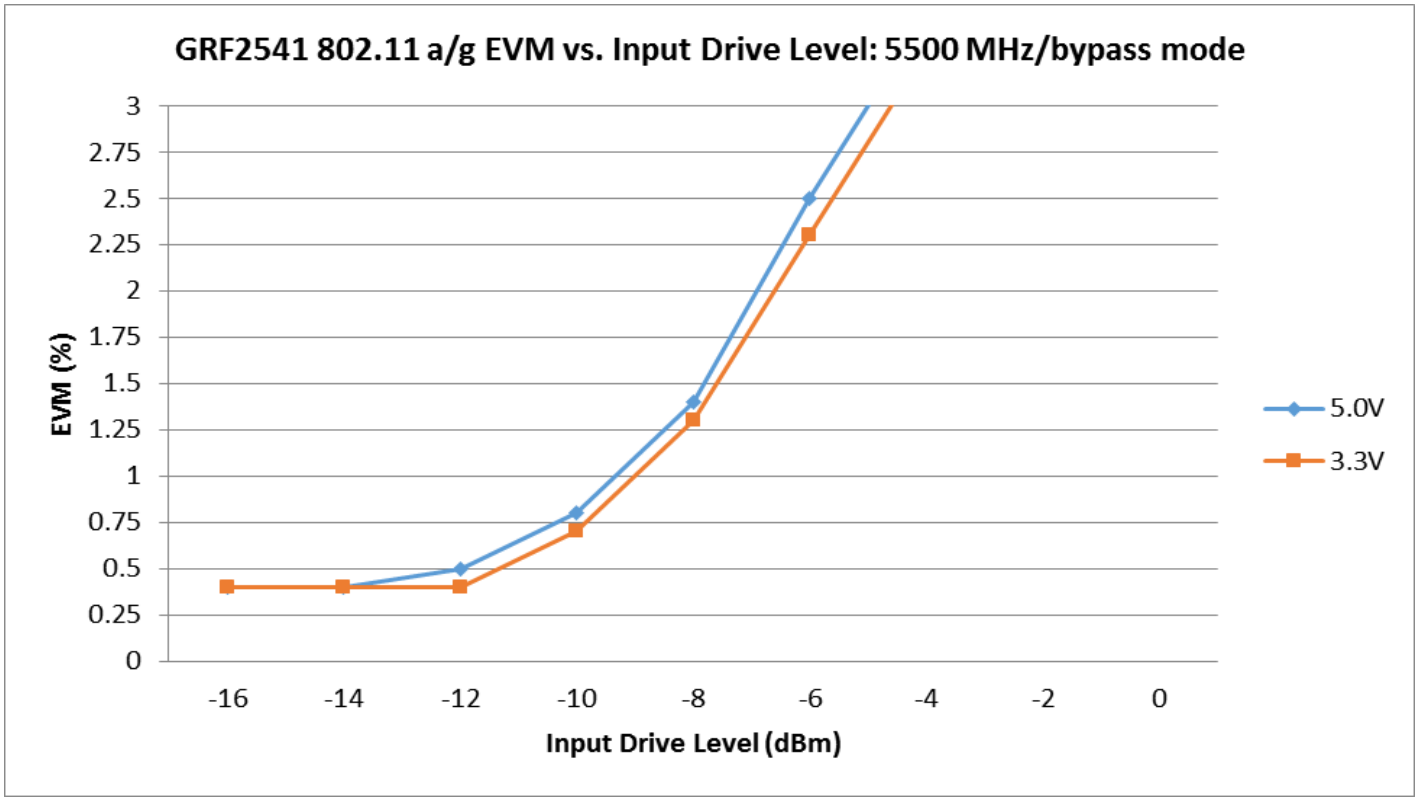


GRF2541 Evaluation Board Measured EVM Data: (Gain and Bypass Modes)





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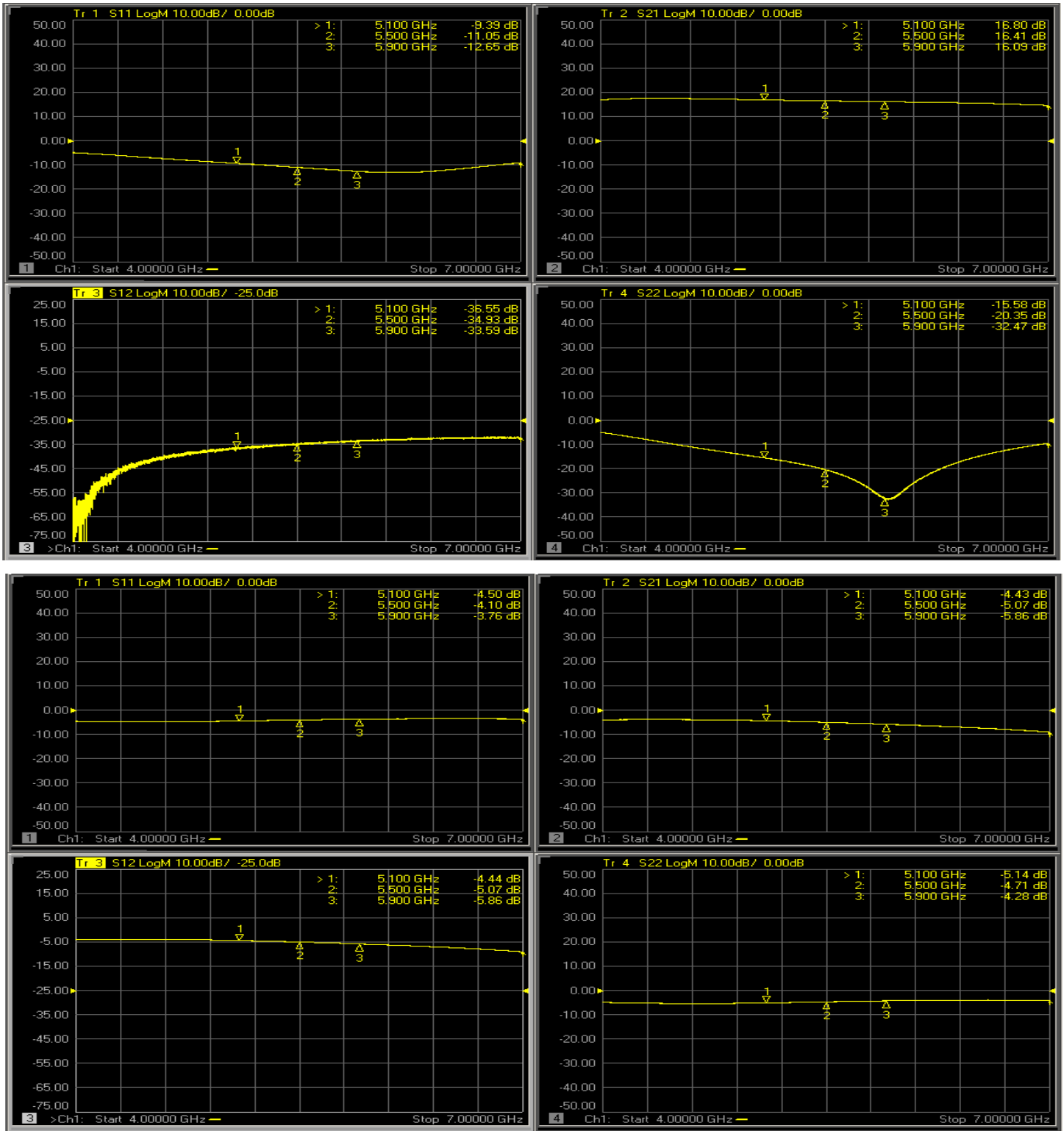

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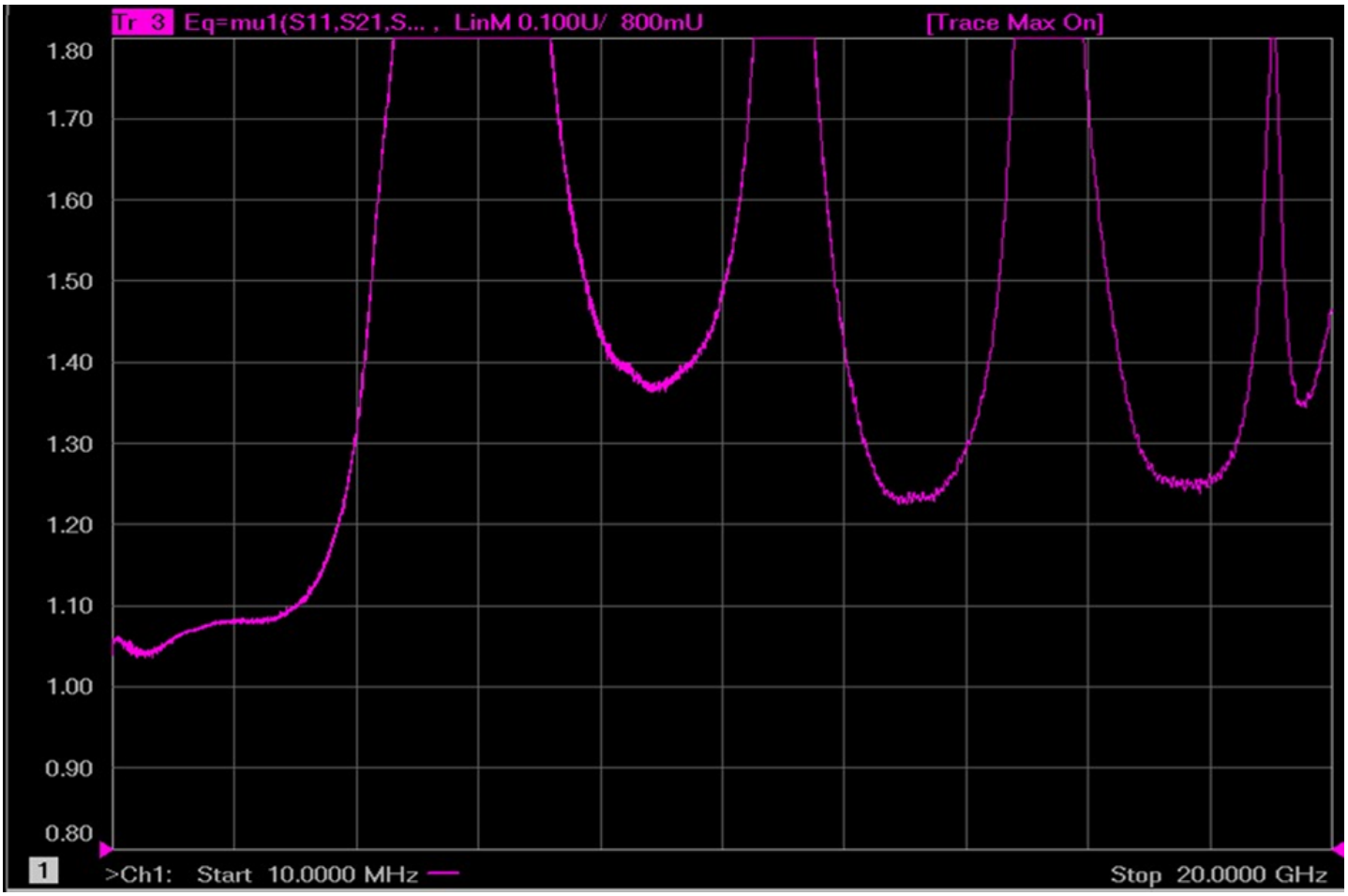
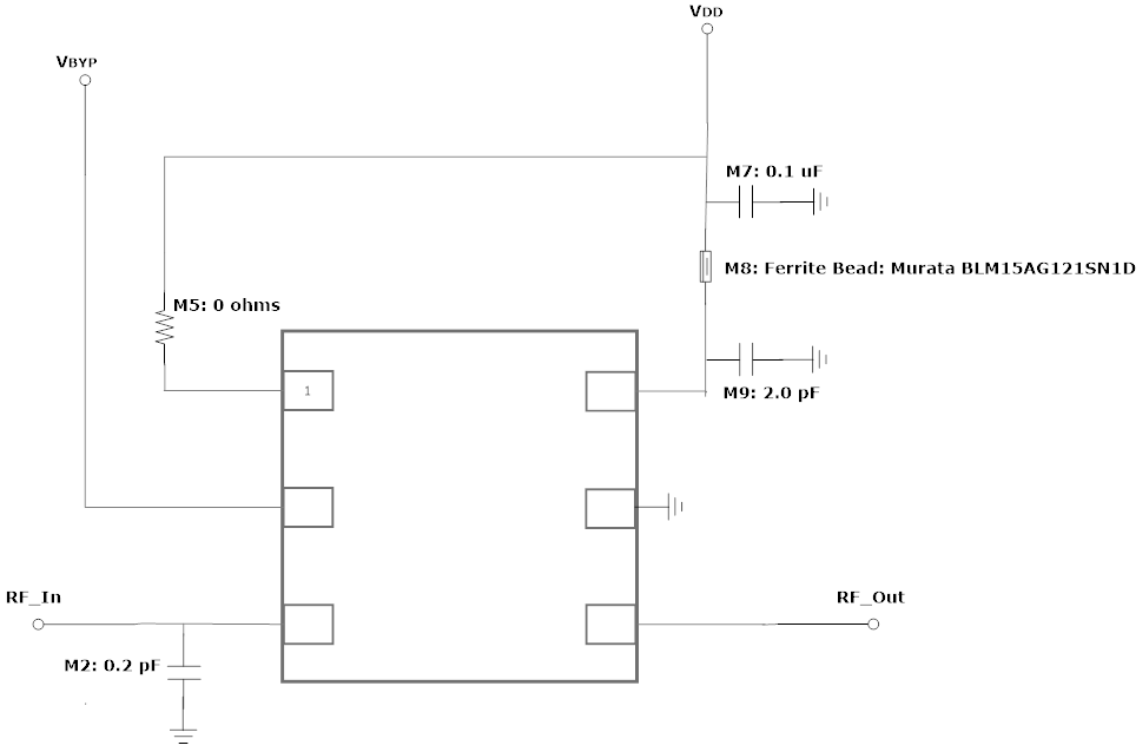
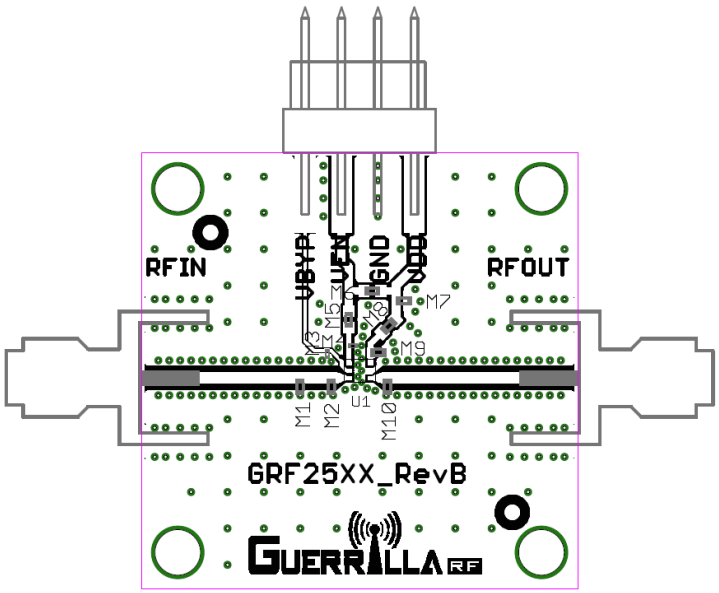


Note: Mu factor >= 1.0 implies unconditional stability.



GRF2541 Application Schematic



GRF2541 Evaluation Board Assembly Diagram

GRF2541 Standard Evaluation Board BOM: 5.1 to 5.9 GHz Tune)

Component	Type	Manufacturer	Family	Value	Package Size	Substitution
M2	Capacitor	Murata	GJM	0.2 pF	0402	ok
M5	Resistor: 5%	Various	—	Sets Iddq	0402	ok
M7	Capacitor	Murata	GRM	0.1 uF	0402	ok
M8	Ferrite Bead	Murata	BLM15AG121SN1D	—	0402	ok
M8 (See Note)	Resistor	Various	—	15 Ohm	0402	ok
M9	Capacitor	Murata	GJM	2.0 pF	0402	ok
Evaluation Board:	GRF25XX_RevB					

Note: 15 Ohm resistor can be used instead of ferrite bead at position M8. Ferrite bead will provide better gain suppression below 2 GHz.

Data Sheet Release Status:	Notes
Advance	S-parameter and NF data based on EM simulations for the fully packaged device using foundry supplied transistor s-parameters. Linearity estimates based on device size, bias condition and experience with related devices.
Preliminary	All data based on evaluation board measurements in the Guerrilla RF Applications Lab.
Released	All data based on device qualification data. Typically, this data is nearly identical to the data found in the preliminary version. Max and min values for key RF parameters are included.

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