**2.4 GHz High-Gain, High-Efficiency Front-end Module**

**SST12LF03**

SST12LF03 is a fully integrated Front-End Module (FEM) for WLAN 802.11b/g/n and Bluetooth® systems. SST12LF03 RF module includes a PA, a LNA, and an antenna switch, making it ideal for WLAN/BT embedded applications where small size and high performance are required. Based on GaAs PHEMT/HBT technology, SST12LF03 operates within the frequency range of 2.4-2.5 GHz with a very low DC-current consumption. The Transmitter chain has excellent linearity, typically 3% added EVM up to 19 dBm output power for 54 Mbps 802.11g operation, while meeting 802.11b spectrum mask at 22 dBm. The receiver chain provides a low noise amplifier and has options for simultaneous WLAN and Bluetooth operation. The SST12LF03 is offered in a 20-contact UQFN package.

**Features**

- **Input/output ports** are matched to 50Ω internally and DC decoupled.
- **Packages available**
  - 20-contact UQFN – 3mm x 3mm x 0.55mm
- **All non-Pb (lead-free) devices are RoHS compliant**

**Transmitter Chain:**

- **High gain:**
  - Typically 28 dB gain across 2.4–2.5 GHz over temperature -20°C to +85°C for Transmitter.
- **High linear output power (at 3.3V):**
  - Meets 802.11g OFDM ACPR requirement up to 21 dBm
  - 3% added EVM up to 19 dBm for 54 Mbps 802.11g signal
  - Meets 802.11b ACPR requirement up to 22 dBm
- **High power-added efficiency/Low operating current for 802.11b/g/n applications**
  - ~25% @ POUT = 22 dBm for 802.11b/g
- **Low shut-down current (~2 µA)**
- **Limited variation over temperature**
  - ~1 dB power variation between -20°C to +85°C
  - ~2 dB gain variation between -20°C to +85°C
- **Temperature and load insensitive on-chip power detector**
  - >20 dB dynamic range, temperature-stable, on-chip power detection

**Receiver Chain:**

- **LNA ON:**
  - Typically 12 dB gain
  - ~3.1 dB noise figure
  - >5 dB P1dB

**Bluetooth Path:**

- **Typically 2.5 dB loss**
- **Simultaneous BT/WLAN Rx mode:**
  - 8 dB gain
  - 3.1 dB noise figure

**Applications**

- **WLAN (IEEE 802.11b/g/n)**
- **Home RF**
- **Cordless phones**
- **2.4 GHz ISM wireless equipment**
- **Zigbee®**
- **Bluetooth®**

**Block Diagram**

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Product Ordering

Valid combinations for SST12LF03
SST12LF03-Q3DE

SST12LF03 Evaluation Kits
SST12LF03-Q3DE-K

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