



Sample &

Buy





CC2538 Powerful Wireless Microcontroller System-On-Chip for 2.4-GHz IEEE 802.15.4, 6LoWPAN, and ZigBee[®] Applications

1 Device Overview

1.1 Features

- Microcontroller
 - Powerful ARM[®] Cortex[®]-M3 With Code Prefetch
 - Up to 32-MHz Clock Speed
 - 512KB, 256KB or 128KB of In-System-Programmable Flash
 - Supports On-Chip Over-the-Air Upgrade (OTA)
 - Supports Dual ZigBee Application Profiles
 - Up to 32KB of RAM (16KB With Retention in All Power Modes)
 - cJTAG and JTAG Debugging
- RF
 - 2.4-GHz IEEE 802.15.4 Compliant RF Transceiver
 - Excellent Receiver Sensitivity of -97 dBm
 - Robustness to Interference With ACR of 44 dB
 - Programmable Output Power up to 7 dBm
- Security Hardware Acceleration
 - Future Proof AES-128/256, SHA2 Hardware Encryption Engine
 - Optional ECC-128/256, RSA Hardware Acceleration Engine for Secure Key Exchange
 - Radio Command Strobe Processor and Packet Handling Processor for Low-Level MAC Functionality
- Low Power
 - Active-Mode RX (CPU Idle): 20 mA
 - Active-Mode TX at 0 dBm (CPU Idle): 24 mA
 - Power Mode 1 (4-µs Wake-Up, 32-KB RAM Retention, Full Register Retention): 0.6 mA
 - Power Mode 2 (Sleep Timer Running, 16-KB RAM Retention, Configuration Register Retention): 1.3 µA
 - Power Mode 3 (External Interrupts, 16-KB RAM Retention, Configuration Register Retention): 0.4 µA
 - Wide Supply-Voltage Range (2 V to 3.6 V)

1.2 Applications

- Smart Grid and Home Area Network
- Home and Building Automation
- Intelligent Lighting Systems

- Peripherals
 - µDMA
 - 4 x General-Purpose Timers (Each 32-Bit or 2 x 16-Bit)
 - 32-Bit 32-kHz Sleep Timer
 - 12-Bit ADC With 8 Channels and Configurable Resolution
 - Battery Monitor and Temperature Sensor
 - USB 2.0 Full-Speed Device (12 Mbps)
 - 2 × SPI
 - 2 × UART
 - I2C
 - 32 General-Purpose I/O Pins
 - (28 × 4 mA, 4 × 20 mA)
 - Watchdog Timer
- Layout
 - 8-mm × 8-mm QFN56 Package
 - Robust Device for Industrial Operation up to 125°C
 - Few External Components
 - Only a Single Crystal Needed for Asynchronous Networks
- Development Tools
 - CC2538 Development Kit
 - Reference Design Certified Under FCC and ETSI Regulations
 - Full Software Support for Contiki/6LoWPAN, Smart Grid, Lighting, and ZigBee Home Automation With Sample Applications and Reference Designs Available
 - Code Composer Studio[™]
 - IAR Embedded Workbench® for ARM
 - SmartRF[™] Studio
 - SmartRF Flash Programmer
- Wireless Sensor Networks
- Internet of Things



1.3 Description

The CC2538xFnn is the ideal wireless microcontroller System-on-Chip (SoC) for high-performance ZigBee applications. The device combines a powerful ARM Cortex-M3-based MCU system with up to 32KB onchip RAM and up to 512KB on-chip flash with a robust IEEE 802.15.4 radio. This enables the device to handle complex network stacks with security, demanding applications, and over-the-air download. Thirty-two GPIOs and serial peripherals enable simple connections to the rest of the board. The powerful hardware security accelerators enable quick and efficient authentication and encryption while leaving the CPU free to handle application tasks. The multiple low-power modes with retention enable quick startup from sleep and minimum energy spent to perform periodic tasks. For a smooth development, the CC2538xFnn includes a powerful debugging system and a comprehensive driver library. To reduce the application flash footprint, CC2538xFnn ROM includes a utility function library and a serial boot loader. Combined with the robust and comprehensive Z-Stack software solutions from TI, the CC2538 provides the most capable and proven ZigBee solution in the market.

Device Information⁽¹⁾

| PART NUMBER | PACKAGE | BODY SIZE | |
|-------------|----------|-------------------|--|
| CC2538RTQ | RTQ (56) | 8.00 mm × 8.00 mm | |

(1) For more information, see Section 8, Mechanical Packaging and Orderable Information.



1.4 Functional Block Diagram

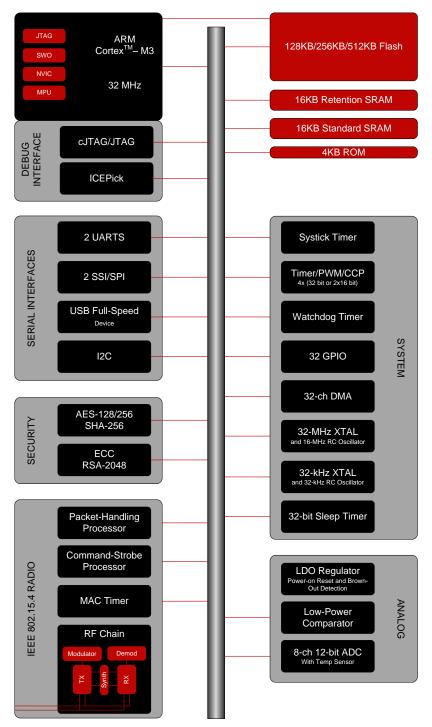


Figure 1-1. CC2538 Block Diagram



Table of Contents

| 1 | Devid | ce Overview | <u>1</u> |
|---|-------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| • | 1.1 | Features | |
| | 1.1 | | 1 |
| | | Applications | 1 |
| | 1.3 | Description | <u>2</u> |
| | 1.4 | Functional Block Diagram | <u>3</u> |
| 2 | Revis | sion History | <u>5</u> |
| 3 | Devid | ce Comparison | <u>6</u> |
| 4 | Term | inal Configuration and Functions | <u>7</u> |
| | 4.1 | Signal Descriptions | <u>7</u> |
| 5 | Spec | ifications | <u>9</u> |
| | 5.1 | Absolute Maximum Ratings | <u>9</u> |
| | 5.2 | ESD Ratings | <u>9</u> |
| | 5.3 | Recommended Operating Conditions | |
| | 5.4 | Electrical Characteristics | <u>10</u> |
| | 5.5 | General Characteristics | <u>11</u> |
| | 5.6 | RF Receive Section | 12 |
| | 5.7 | RF Transmit Section | <u>13</u> |
| | 5.8 | 32-MHz Crystal Oscillator | <u>14</u> |
| | 5.9 | 32.768-kHz Crystal Oscillator | <u>14</u> |
| | 5.10 | 32-kHz RC Oscillator | <u>14</u> |
| | 5.11 | 16-MHz RC Oscillator | <u>15</u> |
| | 5.12 | RSSI/CCA Characteristics | <u>15</u> |
| | 5.13 | FREQEST Characteristics | <u>15</u> |
| | 5.14 | Frequency Synthesizer Characteristics | <u>15</u> |
| | | | |

| | 5.15 | Analog Temperature Sensor | <u>15</u> |
|---|------|--|-----------|
| | 5.16 | ADC Characteristics | <u>16</u> |
| | 5.17 | Control Input AC Characteristics | <u>17</u> |
| | 5.18 | DC Characteristics | <u>17</u> |
| | 5.19 | USB Interface DC Characteristics | 17 |
| | 5.20 | Thermal Resistance Characteristics for RTQ | |
| | | Package | <u>18</u> |
| 6 | Appl | ications, Implementation, and Layout | <u>19</u> |
| | 6.1 | Input, Output Matching | <u>20</u> |
| | 6.2 | Crystal | <u>20</u> |
| | 6.3 | On-Chip 1.8-V Voltage-Regulator Decoupling | 21 |
| | 6.4 | Power-Supply Decoupling and Filtering | 21 |
| | 6.5 | References | 21 |
| 7 | Devi | ce and Documentation Support | 22 |
| | 7.1 | Device Support | 22 |
| | 7.2 | Documentation Support | 23 |
| | 7.3 | Additional Information | 23 |
| | 7.4 | Trademarks | 24 |
| | 7.5 | Electrostatic Discharge Caution | 24 |
| | 7.6 | Export Control Notice | 24 |
| | 7.7 | Glossary | 24 |
| 8 | Mech | nanical Packaging and Orderable | |
| | | mation | <u>25</u> |
| | 8.1 | Packaging Information | <u>25</u> |
| | | | |



Page

2 Revision History

| Changes | es from Revision C (February 2015) to Revision D P | age |
|---------|--|-----|
| • C | Changed Figure 6-1 CC2538xFnn Application Circuit | 19 |

| Changes | from | Povision | D | (September | 2014) | +0 | Povision | 2 |
|---------|------|----------|---|------------|-------|----|----------|---|
| Changes | nom | Revision | D | (September | 2014 | ιυ | Revision | J |

| • | Changed ZigBee Smart Energy 1.x and ZigBee Light Link to Smart Grid and Lighting | 1 |
|---|--|---|
| • | Added 8-ch to the 12-bit ADC | 3 |

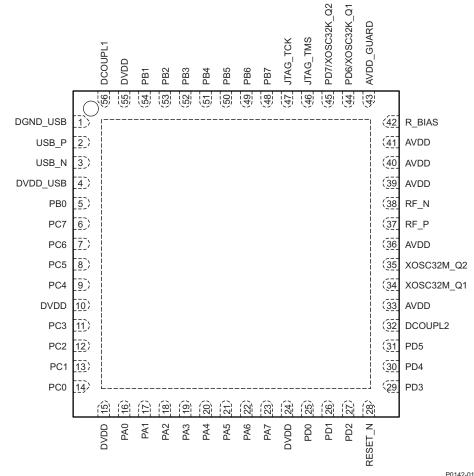
3 Device Comparison

| DEVICE | FLASH (KB) | RAM (KB) | SECURITY HW AES/SHA | SECURITY HW ECC/RSA |
|------------|------------|----------|---------------------|---------------------|
| CC2538SF53 | 512 | 32 | Yes | Yes |
| CC2538SF23 | 256 | 32 | Yes | Yes |
| CC2538NF53 | 512 | 32 | Yes | No |
| CC2538NF23 | 256 | 32 | Yes | No |
| CC2538NF11 | 128 | 16 | Yes | No |

Table 3-1. CC2538 Family of Devices Available



4 Terminal Configuration and Functions



Connect the exposed ground pad to a solid ground plane, as this is the ground connection for the chip.

Figure 4-1. 56-Pin RTQ Package (Top View)

4.1 Signal Descriptions

Table 4-1. Signal Descriptions

| NAME | NUMBER | PIN TYPE | DESCRIPTION |
|------------|--------------------|--------------------|--|
| AVDD | 33, 36, 39, 40, 41 | Power (analog) | 2-V-3.6-V analog power-supply connection |
| AVDD_GUARD | 43 | Power (analog) | 2-V-3.6-V analog power-supply connection |
| DCOUPL1 | 56 | Power (digital) | 1.8-V regulated digital-supply decoupling capacitor |
| DCOUPL2 | 32 | Power (digital) | 1.8-V regulated digital-supply decoupling capacitor. Short this pin to pin 56. |
| DGND_USB | 1 | Ground (USB pads) | USB ground |
| DVDD | 10, 15, 24, 55 | Power (digital) | 2-V-3.6-V digital power-supply connection |
| DVDD_USB | 4 | Power (USB pads) | 3.3-V USB power-supply connection |
| JTAG_TCK | 47 | Digital I/O | JTAG TCK |
| JTAG_TMS | 46 | Digital I/O | JTAG TMS |
| PA0 | 16 | Digital/analog I/O | GPIO port A pin 0. ROM bootloader UART RXD |
| PA1 | 17 | Digital/analog I/O | GPIO port A pin 1. ROM bootloader UART TXD |
| PA2 | 18 | Digital/analog I/O | GPIO port A pin 2. ROM bootloader SSI CLK |

Copyright © 2012–2015, Texas Instruments Incorporated

| | | U | |
|----------------|--------|--------------------|--|
| NAME | NUMBER | PIN TYPE | DESCRIPTION |
| PA3 | 19 | Digital/analog I/O | GPIO port A pin 3. ROM bootloader SSI SEL |
| PA4 | 20 | Digital/analog I/O | GPIO port A pin 4. ROM bootloader SSI RXD |
| PA5 | 21 | Digital/analog I/O | GPIO port A pin 5. ROM bootloader SSI TXD |
| PA6 | 22 | Digital/analog I/O | GPIO port A pin 6 |
| PA7 | 23 | Digital/analog I/O | GPIO port A pin 7 |
| PB0 | 5 | Digital I/O | GPIO port B pin 0 |
| PB1 | 54 | Digital I/O | GPIO port B pin 1 |
| PB2 | 53 | Digital I/O | GPIO port B pin 2 |
| PB3 | 52 | Digital I/O | GPIO port B pin 3 |
| PB4 | 51 | Digital I/O | GPIO port B pin 4 |
| PB5 | 50 | Digital I/O | GPIO port B pin 5 |
| PB6 | 49 | Digital I/O | GPIO port B pin 6, TDI (JTAG) |
| PB7 | 48 | Digital I/O | GPIO port B pin 7, TDO (JTAG) |
| PC0 | 14 | Digital I/O | GPIO port C pin 0, 20 mA output capability, no pull-up or pull-down |
| PC1 | 13 | Digital I/O | GPIO port C pin 1, 20 mA output capability, no pull-up or pull-down |
| PC2 | 12 | Digital I/O | GPIO port C pin 2, 20 mA output capability, no pull-up or pull-down |
| PC3 | 11 | Digital I/O | GPIO port C pin 3, 20 mA output capability, no pull-up or pull-down |
| PC4 | 9 | Digital I/O | GPIO port C pin 4 |
| PC5 | 8 | Digital I/O | GPIO port C pin 5 |
| PC6 | 7 | Digital I/O | GPIO port C pin 6 |
| PC7 | 6 | Digital I/O | GPIO port C pin 7 |
| PD0 | 25 | Digital I/O | GPIO port D pin 0 |
| PD1 | 26 | Digital I/O | GPIO port D pin 1 |
| PD2 | 27 | Digital I/O | GPIO port D pin 2 |
| PD3 | 29 | Digital I/O | GPIO port D pin 3 |
| PD4 | 30 | Digital I/O | GPIO port D pin 4 |
| PD5 | 31 | Digital I/O | GPIO port D pin 5 |
| PD6/XOSC32K_Q1 | 44 | Digital/analog I/O | GPIO port D pin 6 / 32-kHz crystal oscillator pin 1 |
| PD7/XOSC32K_Q2 | 45 | Digital/analog I/O | GPIO port D pin 7 / 32-kHz crystal oscillator pin 1 |
| R_BIAS | 42 | Analog I/O | External precision bias resistor for reference current |
| RESET_N | 28 | Digital input | Reset, active-low |
| RF_N | 38 | RF I/O | Negative RF input signal to LNA during RX Negative RF output signal from PA during TX |
| RF_P | 37 | RF I/O | Positive RF input signal to LNA during RX Positive RF output signal from PA during TX |
| USB_P | 2 | USB I/O | USB differential data plus (D+) |
| USB_N | 3 | USB I/O | USB differential data minus (D–) |
| XOSC32M_Q1 | 34 | Analog I/O | 32-MHz crystal oscillator pin 1 or external-clock input |
| XOSC32M_Q2 | 35 | Analog I/O | 32-MHz crystal oscillator pin 2 |
| | | | |

Table 4-1. Signal Descriptions (continued)



5 Specifications

5.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

| | | MIN | MAX | UNIT |
|---|---------------------------|------|-----------------------|------|
| Supply voltage All supply pins must have the same voltage | | -0.3 | 3.9 | V |
| Voltage on any digital pin | | -0.3 | $V_{DD}+0.3,\leq 3.9$ | V |
| Input RF level | | | 10 | dBm |
| T _{stg} | Storage temperature range | -40 | 125 | °C |

 Stresses beyond those listed under absolute maximum ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under recommended operating conditions is not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

(2) All voltage values are with respect to V_{SS}, unless otherwise noted.

(3) Stresses beyond those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under Recommended Operating Conditions is not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

5.2 ESD Ratings

| | | | | VALUE | UNIT |
|------------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|-------|------|
| | Flastrastatia discharge (FSD) | Human body model (HBM), per ANS | I/ESDA/JEDEC JS001 ⁽¹⁾ | ±1 | kV |
| V _{ESD} | Electrostatic discharge (ESD) performance: | Charged device model (CDM), per JESD22-C101 ⁽²⁾ | All pins | ±500 | V |

(1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

(2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

5.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

| | MIN | MAX | UNIT |
|---|-----|-----|------|
| Operating ambient temperature range, T _A | -40 | 125 | °C |
| Operating supply voltage ⁽¹⁾ | 2 | 3.6 | V |

(1) The CC2538 contains a power on reset (POR) module and a brown out detector (BOD) that prevent the device from operating under unsafe supply voltage conditions. In the two lowest power modes, PM2 and PM3, the POR is active but the BOD is powered down, which gives a limited voltage supervision.

If the supply voltage is lowered to below 1.4 V during PM2/PM3, at temperatures of 70°C or higher, and then brought back up to good operating voltage before active mode is re-entered, registers and RAM contents that are saved in PM2, PM3 may become altered. Hence, care should be taken in the design of the system power supply to ensure that this does not occur. The voltage can be periodically supervised accurately by entering active mode, as a BOD reset is triggered if the supply voltage is below approximately 1.7 V.

5.4 Electrical Characteristics

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C, $V_{DD} = 3$ V, and 8-MHz system clock, unless otherwise noted. **Boldface** limits apply over the entire operating range, $T_A = -40^{\circ}$ C to 125°C, $V_{DD} = 2$ V to 3.6 V, and $f_c = 2394$ MHz to 2507 MHz.

| | PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN T | (P M | IAX | UNIT |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|--|-------|------|-----|------|
| | | Digital regulator on. 16-MHz RCOSC running. No radio, crystals, or peripherals active. CPU running at 16-MHz with flash access | | 7 | | mA |
| | | 32-MHz XOSC running. No radio or peripherals active. CPU running at 32-MHz with flash access,. | | 13 | | mA |
| | | 32-MHz XOSC running, radio in RX mode, –50-dBm input power, no peripherals active, CPU idle | | 20 | | mA |
| | | 32-MHz XOSC running, radio in RX mode at –100-dBm input power (waiting for signal), no peripherals active, CPU idle | | 24 | 27 | mA |
| I _{core} | Core current consumption | 32-MHz XOSC running, radio in TX mode, 0-dBm output power, no peripherals active, CPU idle | | 24 | | mA |
| | | 32-MHz XOSC running, radio in TX mode, 7-dBm output power, no peripherals active, CPU idle | | 34 | | mA |
| | | Power mode 1. Digital regulator on; 16-MHz RCOSC and 32-MHz crystal oscillator off; 32.768-kHz XOSC, POR, BOD and sleep timer active; RAM and register retention | 0.6 |).6 | | mA |
| | | Power mode 2. Digital regulator off; 16-MHz RCOSC and 32-MHz crystal oscillator off; 32.768-kHz XOSC, POR, and sleep timer active; RAM and register retention | 1 | .3 | 2 | μA |
| | | Power mode 3. Digital regulator off; no clocks; POR active; RAM and register retention | (|).4 | 1 | μA |
| | Peripheral Current Consumpt | ion (Adds to core current I _{core} for each peripheral unit activated) | | | | |
| | General-purpose timer | Timer running, 32-MHz XOSC used | 1 | 20 | | μA |
| | SPI | | 3 | 00 | | μA |
| | 12C | | (|).1 | | mA |
| | UART | | (|).7 | | mA |
| peri | Sleep timer | Including 32.753-kHz RCOSC | (|).9 | | μA |
| | USB | 48-MHz clock running, USB enabled | 3 | 8.8 | | mA |
| | ADC | When converting | 1 | .2 | | mA |
| | Fleeh | Erase | | 12 | | mA |
| | Flash | Burst-write peak current | | 8 | | mA |

General Characteristics 5.5

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25$ °C and $V_{DD} = 3$ V, unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|--|---|------|-----|------|----------|
| Wake-Up and Timing | | | | | |
| Power mode 1 \rightarrow active | Digital regulator on, 16-MHz RCOSC and 32-MHz crystal oscillator off. Start-up of 16-MHz RCOSC | | 4 | | μs |
| Power mode 2 or $3 \rightarrow active$ | Digital regulator off, 16-MHz RCOSC and 32-MHz crystal oscillator off. Start-up of regulator and 16-MHz RCOSC | | 136 | | μs |
| | Initially running on 16-MHz RCOSC, with 32-MHz XOSC off | | 0.5 | | ms |
| Active \rightarrow TX or RX | With 32-MHz XOSC initially on | | | 192 | μs |
| RX/TX and TX/RX turnaround | | | | 192 | μs |
| USB PLL start-up time | With 32-MHz XOSC initially on | | 32 | | μs |
| Radio Part | | | | | |
| RF frequency range | Programmable in 1-MHz steps, 5 MHz between channels for compliance with ⁽¹⁾ | 2394 | | 2507 | MHz |
| Radio baud rate | As defined by ⁽¹⁾ | | 250 | | kbps |
| Radio chip rate | As defined by ⁽¹⁾ | | 2 | | MChip/s |
| Flash Memory | | | | | |
| Flash erase cycles | | | | 20 | k Cycles |
| Flash page size | | | 2 | | KB |

(1) IEEE Std. 802.15.4-2006: Wireless Medium Access Control (MAC) and Physical Layer (PHY) Specifications for Low-Rate Wireless Personal Area Networks (LR-WPANs) http://standards.ieee.org/getieee802/download/802.15.4-2006.pdf

5.6 **RF Receive Section**

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$, $V_{DD} = 3$ V, and $f_c = 2440$ MHz, unless otherwise noted. **Bold** limits apply over the entire operating range, $T_A = -40^{\circ}C$ to $125^{\circ}C$, $V_{DD} = 2$ V to 3.6 V, and $f_c = 2394$ MHz to 2507 MHz.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|--|---|-----|--|-----|------|
| Receiver sensitivity | PER = 1%, as specified by $^{(1)}$, normal operating conditions (25 °C, 3 V, 2440 MHz) $^{(1)}$ requires -85 dBm | | -97 | -92 | dBm |
| | PER = 1%, as specified by $^{(1)}$, entire operating conditions $^{(1)}$ requires –85 dBm | | | -88 | dBm |
| Saturation (maximum input level) | PER = 1%, as specified by $^{(1)}$ $^{(1)}$ requires -20 dBm | | 10 | | dBm |
| Adjacent-channel rejection, 5-MHz channel spacing | Wanted signal –82 dBm, adjacent modulated channel at 5 MHz, PER = 1%, as specified by $^{(1)}$. $^{(1)}$ requires 0 dB | | 44 | | dB |
| Adjacent-channel rejection, –5-MHz channel spacing | Wanted signal –82 dBm, adjacent modulated channel at -5 MHz, PER = 1%, as specified by ⁽¹⁾ . ⁽¹⁾ requires 0 dB | | 44 | | dB |
| Alternate-channel rejection, 10-MHz channel spacing | Wanted signal –82 dBm, adjacent modulated channel at 10 MHz, PER = 1%, as specified by $^{(1)}$ requires 30 dB | | 52 | | dB |
| Alternate-channel rejection, –10-MHz channel spacing | Wanted signal –82 dBm, adjacent modulated channel at -10 MHz, PER = 1%, as specified by ⁽¹⁾ (⁽¹⁾ requires 30 dB | | 52 | | dB |
| Channel rejection ≥ 20 MHz ≤ –20 MHz | Wanted signal at –82 dBm. Undesired signal is an IEEE 802.15.4 modulated channel, stepped through all channels from 2405 to 2480 MHz. Signal level for PER = 1%. | | 51 51 | | dB |
| Blocking/desensitization 5 MHz from band edge 10 MHz from band edge 20 MHz from band edge 50 MHz from band edge -5 MHz from band edge -10 MHz from band edge -20 MHz from band edge -50 MHz from band edge | Wanted signal 3 dB above the sensitivity level, CW jammer, PER = 1%. Measured according to EN 300 440 class 2. | | -35 -34 -37 -32 -37 -38 -35 -34 | | dBm |
| Spurious emission. Only largest spurious emission stated within each band. 30 MHz–1000 MHz 1 GHz–12.75 GHz | Conducted measurement with a 50- Ω single-ended load. Suitable for systems targeting compliance with EN 300 328, EN 300 440, FCC CFR47 Part 15, and ARIB STD-T-66. | | 80 80 | | dBm |
| Frequency error tolerance ⁽²⁾ | ⁽¹⁾ requires minimum 80 ppm | | ±150 | | ppm |
| Symbol rate error tolerance ⁽³⁾ | ⁽¹⁾ requires minimum 80 ppm | ± | 1000 | | ppm |

 IEEE Std. 802.15.4-2006: Wireless Medium Access Control (MAC) and Physical Layer (PHY) Specifications for Low-Rate Wireless Personal Area Networks (LR-WPANs)

http://standards.ieee.org/getieee802/download/802.15.4-2006.pdf

(2) Difference between center frequency of the received RF signal and local oscillator frequency

(3) Difference between incoming symbol rate and the internally generated symbol rate



www.ti.com

5.7 RF Transmit Section

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C, $V_{DD} = 3$ V and $f_c = 2440$ MHz, unless otherwise noted. **Boldface** limits apply over the entire operating range, $T_A = -40^{\circ}$ C to 125° C, $V_{DD} = 2$ V to 3.6 V, and $f_c = 2394$ MHz to 2507 MHz.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|---|---|-----|---|-----|------|
| Nominal output power | Delivered to a single-ended 50- Ω load through a balun using maximum-recommended output-power setting $^{(1)}$ requires minimum –3 dBm | | 7 | | dBm |
| Programmable output-power range | | | 30 | | dB |
| Spurious emissions | Maximum recommended output power setting ⁽²⁾ Measured according to stated regulations. | | | | |
| Only largest spurious emission stated within each band. | $\begin{array}{l} \text{25-1000 MHz} \text{ (outside restricted bands)} \\ \text{25-1000 MHz} \text{ (within FCC restricted bands)} \\ \text{25-1000 MHz} \text{ (within ETSI restricted bands)} \\ \text{1800-1900 MHz} \text{ (ETSI restricted band)} \\ \text{5150-5300 MHz} \text{ (ETSI restricted band)} \\ \text{1-12.75 GHz} \text{ (except restricted bands)} \\ \text{At 2483.5 MHz} \text{ and above} \text{ (FCC restricted band)}, f_c= 2480 \text{ MHz}^{(3)} \end{array}$ | | -56 -58 -58 -60 -54 -51 -42 | | dBm |
| Error vector magnitude (EVM) | Measured as defined by ⁽¹⁾ using maximum-recommended output- power setting ⁽¹⁾ requires maximum 35%. | | 3% | | |
| Optimum load impedance | Differential impedance on the RF pins | 6 | 6 + j64 | | Ω |

(1) IEEE Std. 802.15.4-2006: Wireless Medium Access Control (MAC) and Physical Layer (PHY) Specifications for Low-Rate Wireless Personal Area Networks (LR-WPANs)

http://standards.ieee.org/getieee802/download/802.15.4-2006.pdf

(2) TI's CC2538 EM reference design is suitable for systems targeting compliance with EN 300 328, EN 300 440, FCC CFR47 Part 15, and ARIB STD-T-66.

(3) To improve margins for passing FCC requirements at 2483.5 MHz and above when transmitting at 2480 MHz, use a lower output-power setting or less than 100% duty cycle.

5.8 32-MHz Crystal Oscillator

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C and $V_{DD} = 3$ V, unless otherwise noted.

| | PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|----------------|---|--|-----|-----|-----|------|
| | Crystal frequency | | | 32 | | MHz |
| | Crystal frequency accuracy requirement ⁽¹⁾ | | -40 | | 40 | ppm |
| ESR | Equivalent series resistance | | 6 | 16 | 60 | Ω |
| C ₀ | Crystal shunt capacitance | | 1 | 1.9 | 7 | pF |
| CL | Crystal load capacitance | | 10 | 13 | 16 | pF |
| | Start-up time | | | 0.3 | | ms |
| | Power-down guard time | The crystal oscillator must be in power down for a guard time before using it again. This requirement is valid for all modes of operation. The need for power-down guard time can vary with crystal type and load. | 3 | | | ms |

 Including aging and temperature dependency, as specified by IEEE Std. 802.15.4-2006: Wireless Medium Access Control (MAC) and Physical Layer (PHY) Specifications for Low-Rate Wireless Personal Area Networks (LR-WPANs) http://standards.ieee.org/getieee802/download/802.15.4-2006.pdf

5.9 32.768-kHz Crystal Oscillator

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ and $V_{DD} = 3$ V, unless otherwise noted.

| | PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|----------------|---|-----------------|-----|--------|-----|------|
| | Crystal frequency | | | 32.768 | | kHz |
| | Crystal frequency accuracy requirement ⁽¹⁾ | | -40 | | 40 | ppm |
| ESR | Equivalent series resistance | | | 40 | 130 | Ω |
| C ₀ | Crystal shunt capacitance | | | 0.9 | 2 | pF |
| CL | Crystal load capacitance | | | 12 | 16 | pF |
| | Start-up time | | | 0.4 | | s |

 Including aging and temperature dependency, as specified by IEEE Std. 802.15.4-2006: Wireless Medium Access Control (MAC) and Physical Layer (PHY) Specifications for Low-Rate Wireless Personal Area Networks (LR-WPANs) http://standards.ieee.org/getieee802/download/802.15.4-2006.pdf

5.10 32-kHz RC Oscillator

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ and $V_{DD} = 3 V$, unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|---|-----------------|-----|--------|-----|-------|
| Calibrated frequency ⁽¹⁾ | | | 32.753 | | kHz |
| Frequency accuracy after calibration | | | ±0.2% | | |
| Temperature coefficient ⁽²⁾ | | | 0.4 | | %/ °C |
| Supply-voltage coefficient ⁽³⁾ | | | 3 | | %/V |
| Calibration time ⁽⁴⁾ | | | 2 | | ms |

(1) The calibrated 32-kHz RC oscillator frequency is the 32-MHz XTAL frequency divided by 977.

(2) Frequency drift when temperature changes after calibration

(3) Frequency drift when supply voltage changes after calibration

(4) When the 32-kHz RC oscillator is enabled, it is calibrated when a switch from the 16-MHz RC oscillator to the 32-MHz crystal oscillator is performed while SLEEPCMD.OSC32K_CALDIS is 0.

www.ti.com

5.11 16-MHz RC Oscillator

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ and $V_{DD} = 3$ V, unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|---|-----------------|-----|-------|-----|------|
| Frequency ⁽¹⁾ | | | 16 | | MHz |
| Uncalibrated frequency accuracy | | | ±18% | | |
| Calibrated frequency accuracy | | | ±0.6% | ±1% | |
| Start-up time | | | | 10 | μs |
| Initial calibration time ⁽²⁾ | | | 50 | | μs |

(1) The calibrated 16-MHz RC oscillator frequency is the 32-MHz xtal frequency divided by 2.

(2) When the 16-MHz RC oscillator is enabled, it is calibrated when a switch from the 16-MHz RC oscillator to the 32-MHz crystal oscillator is performed while SLEEPCMD.OSC_PD is set to 0.

5.12 RSSI/CCA Characteristics

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ and $V_{DD} = 3$ V, unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|---|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| RSSI range | | | 100 | | dB |
| Absolute uncalibrated RSSI/CCA accuracy | | | ±4 | | dB |
| RSSI/CCA offset ⁽¹⁾ | | | 73 | | dB |
| Step size (LSB value) | | | 1 | | dB |

(1) Real RSSI = Register value – offset

5.13 FREQEST Characteristics

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ and $V_{DD} = 3$ V, unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----|------|-----|------|
| FREQEST range | | | ±250 | | kHz |
| FREQEST accuracy | | | ±10 | | kHz |
| FREQEST offset ⁽¹⁾ | | | 15 | | kHz |
| Step size (LSB value) | | | 7.8 | | kHz |

(1) Real FREQEST = Register value – offset

5.14 Frequency Synthesizer Characteristics

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$, $V_{DD} = 3 \text{ V}$ and $f_c = 2440 \text{ MHz}$, unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|-----------|-------------------------------|-----|------|-----|--------|
| | At ±1-MHz offset from carrier | | -111 | | |
| | At ±2-MHz offset from carrier | | -119 | | dBc/Hz |
| | At ±5-MHz offset from carrier | | -126 | | |

5.15 Analog Temperature Sensor

Measured on TI's CC2538 EM reference design with $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ and $V_{DD} = 3$ V, unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|---|--|-----|------|-----|------------|
| Output at 25°C | | | 1422 | | 12-bit ADC |
| Temperature coefficient | | | 4.2 | | /1°C |
| Voltage coefficient | | | 1 | | /0.1 V |
| Initial accuracy without calibration | Measured using integrated ADC, using internal band-gap voltage reference and | | ±10 | | °C |
| Accuracy using 1-point calibration (entire temperature range) | maximum resolution | | ±5 | | °C |
| Current consumption when enabled (ADC current not included) | | | 0.3 | | mA |

5.16 ADC Characteristics

 $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ and $V_{DD} = 3$ V, unless otherwise noted.

| | PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT | | | | |
|----------------------|--|--|------|-------|-----------------|------|--|--|--|--|
| | Input voltage | V _{DD} is voltage on AVDD5 pin | 0 | | V_{DD} | V | | | | |
| | External reference voltage | V_{DD} is voltage on AVDD5 pin | 0 | | V_{DD} | V | | | | |
| | External reference voltage differential | V _{DD} is voltage on AVDD5 pin | 0 | | V_{DD} | V | | | | |
| | Input resistance, signal | Using 4-MHz clock speed | | 197 | | kΩ | | | | |
| | Full-scale signal ⁽¹⁾ | Peak-to-peak, defines 0 dBFS | | 2.97 | | V | | | | |
| | | Single-ended input, 7-bit setting | | 5.7 | | | | | | |
| | | Single-ended input, 9-bit setting | | 7.5 | | | | | | |
| | | Single-ended input, 10-bit setting | | 9.3 | | | | | | |
| ENOB ⁽¹⁾ | Effective number of bits | Single-ended input, 12-bit setting | | 10.8 | | Bits | | | | |
| | | Differential input, 7-bit setting | | 6.5 | | Dita | | | | |
| | | Differential input, 9-bit setting | | 8.3 | | - | | | | |
| | | Differential input, 10-bit setting | | 10.0 | | | | | | |
| | | Differential input, 12-bit setting | | 11.5 | | | | | | |
| | Useful power bandwidth | 7-bit setting, both single and differential | | 0–20 | | kHz | | | | |
| THD ⁽¹⁾ | Total harmonic distortion | Single-ended input, 12-bit setting, -6 dBFS | | -75.2 | | dB | | | | |
| | | Differential input, 12-bit setting, -6 dBFS | | -86.6 | | UD | | | | |
| | | Single-ended input, 12-bit setting | | 70.2 | | | | | | |
| | Signal to nonharmonic ratio ⁽¹⁾ | Differential input, 12-bit setting | | 79.3 | | dB | | | | |
| | | Single-ended input, 12-bit setting, -6 dBFS | | 78.8 | | ив | | | | |
| | | Differential input, 12-bit setting, -6 dBFS | | 88.9 | | | | | | |
| CMRR | Common-mode rejection ratio | Differential input, 12-bit setting, 1-kHz sine (0 dBFS), limited by ADC resolution | | >84 | | dB | | | | |
| | Crosstalk | Single-ended input, 12-bit setting, 1-kHz sine (0 dBFS), limited by ADC resolution | | <84 | | dB | | | | |
| | Offset | Midscale | | -3 | | mV | | | | |
| | Gain error | | | 0.68% | | | | | | |
| DNL ⁽¹⁾ | Differential peoplinearity | arential poplinearity | | | | | | | | |
| | Differential nonlinearity | 12-bit setting, maximum | | LSB | | | | | | |
| NL ⁽¹⁾ | Integral nonlinearity | 12-bit setting, mean | 0.9 | | | ICD | | | | |
| | Integral nonlinearity | 12-bit setting, maximum | 13.3 | | | LSB | | | | |
| | | Single-ended input, 7-bit setting | | 35.4 | | | | | | |
| | | Single-ended input, 9-bit setting | | 46.8 | | | | | | |
| | | Single-ended input, 10-bit setting | | 57.5 | | | | | | |
| SINAD ⁽¹⁾ | Signal-to-noise-and-distortion | Single-ended input, 12-bit setting | | 66.6 | | dB | | | | |
| (–THD+N) | Signal-to-hoise-and-distortion | Differential input, 7-bit setting | | 40.7 | | uВ | | | | |
| | | Differential input, 9-bit setting | | 51.6 | | | | | | |
| | | Differential input, 10-bit setting | | 61.8 | | | | | | |
| | | Differential input, 12-bit setting | | 70.8 | | | | | | |
| | | 7-bit setting | | 20 | | | | | | |
| | Conversion time | 9-bit setting | | 36 | | | | | | |
| | Conversion time | 10-bit setting | | 68 | | μs | | | | |
| | | 12-bit setting | | 132 | | | | | | |
| | Current consumption | | | 1.2 | | mA | | | | |
| | Internal reference voltage | | | 1.19 | | V | | | | |
| | Internal reference VDD coefficient | | | 2 | | mV/V | | | | |

(1) Measured with 300-Hz sine-wave input and VDD as reference

16 Specifications



ADC Characteristics (continued)

 $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ and $V_{DD} = 3$ V, unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | ΤΥΡ ΜΑΧ | UNIT |
|---|-----------------|-----|---------|----------|
| Internal reference temperature coefficient | | | 0.4 | mV/10 °C |

5.17 Control Input AC Characteristics

 $T_A = -40^{\circ}C$ to 125°C, $V_{DD} = 2$ V to 3.6 V, unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP MAX | UNIT |
|--|--|-----|---------|------|
| System clock, f _{SYSCLK} t _{SYSCLK} = 1/f _{SYSCLK} | The undivided system clock is 32 MHz when crystal oscillator is used. The undivided system clock is 16 MHz when calibrated 16-MHz RC oscillator is used. | 16 | 32 | MHz |
| RESET_N low duration ⁽¹⁾ | See item 1, Figure 5-1. This is the shortest pulse that is recognized as a complete reset pin request. | 1 | | μs |
| Interrupt pulse duration | See item 2, Figure 5-1. This is the shortest pulse that is recognized as an interrupt request. | 20 | | ns |

(1) Shorter pulses may be recognized, but might not lead to a complete reset of all modules within the chip.

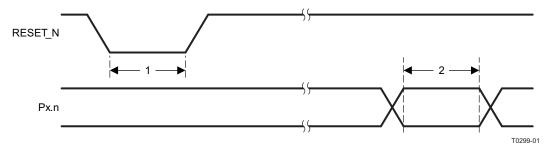


Figure 5-1. Control Input AC Characteristics

5.18 DC Characteristics

T_A = 25°C, VDD = 3 V, drive strength set to high with CC_TESTCTRL.SC = 1, unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|------|-----|-----|------|
| Logic-0 input voltage | | | | 0.5 | V |
| Logic-1 input voltage | | 2.5 | | | V |
| Logic-0 input current | Input equals 0 V | -300 | | 300 | nA |
| Logic-1 input current | Input equals V _{DD} | -300 | | 300 | nA |
| I/O-pin pullup and pulldown resistors | | | 20 | | kΩ |
| Logic-0 output voltage, 4-mA pins | Output load 4 mA | | | 0.5 | V |
| Logic-1 output voltage, 4-mA pins | Output load 4 mA | 2.4 | | | V |
| Logic-0 output voltage, 20-mA pins | Output load 20 mA | | | 0.5 | V |
| Logic-1 output voltage, 20-mA pins | Output load 20 mA | 2.4 | | | V |

5.19 USB Interface DC Characteristics

 $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$, $V_{DD} = 3 V$ to 3.6 V, unless otherwise noted.

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|------------------------------|----------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| USB pad voltage output, high | VDD 3.6 V, 4-mA load | | 3.4 | | V |
| USB pad voltage output, low | VDD 3.6 V, 4-mA load | | 0.2 | | V |

5.20 Thermal Resistance Characteristics for RTQ Package

| NAME | DESCRIPTION | °C/W ^{(1) (2)} | AIR FLOW (m/s) ⁽³⁾ |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| R _{θJC-top} | Junction-to-case (top) | 8.9 | 0.00 |
| Rθ _{JB} | Junction-to-board | 3.1 | 0.00 |
| Rθ _{JA} | Junction-to-free air | 25.0 | 0.00 |
| Psi _{JT} | Junction-to-package top | 3.1 | 0.00 |
| Psi _{JB-bottom} | Junction-to-board (bottom) | 0.4 | 0.00 |

(1) °C/W = degrees Celsius per watt.

These values are based on a JEDEC-defined 2S2P system (with the exception of the Theta JC [$R\theta_{JC}$] value, which is based on a (2) JEDEC-defined 1S0P system) and will change based on environment as well as application. For more information, see these EIA/JEDEC standards:

٠ JESD51-2, Integrated Circuits Thermal Test Method Environmental Conditions - Natural Convection (Still Air)

JESD51-3, Low Effective Thermal Conductivity Test Board for Leaded Surface Mount Packages
JESD51-7, High Effective Thermal Conductivity Test Board for Leaded Surface Mount Packages

• JESD51-9, Test Boards for Area Array Surface Mount Package Thermal Measurements

(3) m/s = meters per second.



6 Applications, Implementation, and Layout

NOTE

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes. Customers should validate and test their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

Few external components are required for the operation of the CC2538xFnn. Figure 6-1 is a typical application circuit. For a complete USB reference design, see the CC2538xFnn product page on www.ti.com. Table 6-1 lists typical values and descriptions of external components. The USB_P and USB_N pins require series resistors R21 and R31 for impedance matching, and the D+ line must have a pullup resistor, R32. The series resistors should match the 90- Ω ±15% characteristic impedance of the USB bus. Notice that the pullup resistor and DVDD_USB require connection to a voltage source between 3 V and 3.6 V (typically 3.3 V). To accomplish this, it is recommend to connect the D+ pull-up to a port/pin that does not have an internal pullup (that is, PC0..3), instead of connecting it directly to a 3.3 V supply (that is, software control of D+ pullup recommended).

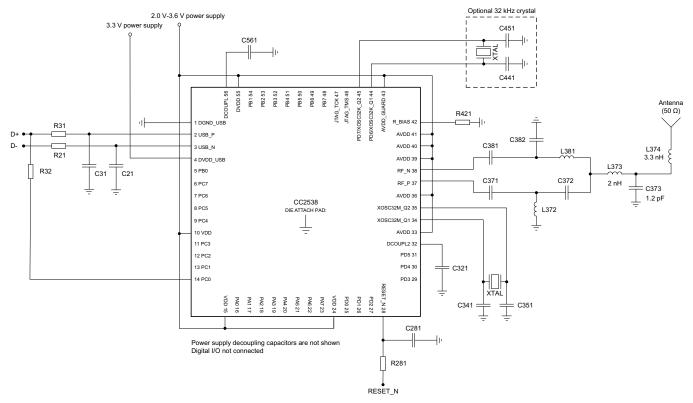


Figure 6-1. CC2538xFnn Application Circuit

| Component | Description | Value |
|-----------|---|--------|
| C21 | USB D– decoupling | 47 pF |
| C31 | USB D+ decoupling | 47 pF |
| C341 | 32-MHz xtal-loading capacitor | 12 pF |
| C351 | 32-MHz xtal-loading capacitor | 12 pF |
| C371 | Part of the RF matching network | 18 pF |
| C381 | Part of the RF matching network | 18 pF |
| C382 | Part of the RF matching network | 1 pF |
| C372 | Part of the RF matching network | 1 pF |
| C441 | 32-kHz xtal-loading capacitor | 22 pF |
| C451 | 32-kHz xtal-loading capacitor | 22 pF |
| C561 | Decoupling capacitor for the internal digital regulator | 1 µF |
| C321 | Decoupling capacitor for the internal digital regulator | 1 µF |
| C281 | Filter capacitor for reset line | 1 nF |
| L372 | Part of the RF matching network | 2 nH |
| L381 | Part of the RF matching network | 2 nH |
| R21 | USB D- series resistor | 33 Ω |
| R31 | USB D+ series resistor | 33 Ω |
| R32 | USB D+ pullup resistor to signal full-speed device presence | 1.5 kΩ |
| R281 | Filter resistor for reset line | 2.2 Ω |
| R421 | Resistor used for internal biasing | 56 kΩ |

Table 6-1. Overview of External Components (Excluding Supply Decoupling Capacitors)

6.1 Input, Output Matching

When using an unbalanced antenna such as a monopole, use a balun to optimize performance. One can implement the balun using low-cost, discrete inductors and capacitors. The recommended balun shown in Figure 6-1 consists of L372, C372, C382 and L381.

If a balanced antenna such as a folded dipole is used, omit the balun.

6.2 Crystal

The 32-MHz crystal oscillator uses an external 32-MHz crystal, XTAL1, with two loading capacitors (C341 and C351). See the *32-MHz Crystal Oscillator* section for details. Calculate the load capacitance across the 32-MHz crystal by Equation 1.

$$C_{L} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{C_{341}} + \frac{1}{C_{351}}} + C_{\text{parasitic}}$$
(1)

XTAL2 is an optional 32.768-kHz crystal, with two loading capacitors (C441 and C451) used for the 32.768-kHz crystal oscillator. Use the 32.768-kHz crystal oscillator in applications where both low sleepcurrent consumption and accurate wake-up times are needed. Calculate the load capacitance across the 32.768-kHz crystal by Equation 2.

$$C_{L} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{C_{441}} + \frac{1}{C_{451}}} + C_{\text{parasitic}}$$
(2)

Use a series resistor, if necessary, to comply with the ESR requirement.



6.3 On-Chip 1.8-V Voltage-Regulator Decoupling

The 1.8-V on-chip voltage regulator supplies the 1.8-V digital logic. This regulator requires decoupling capacitors (C561, C321) and an external connection between them for stable operation.

6.4 Power-Supply Decoupling and Filtering

Optimum performance requires proper power-supply decoupling. The placement and size of the decoupling capacitors and the power supply filtering are important to achieve the best performance in an application. TI provides a recommended compact reference design for the user to follow.

6.5 References

- 1. IEEE Std. 802.15.4-2006: Wireless Medium Access Control (MAC) and Physical Layer (PHY) Specifications for Low-Rate Wireless Personal Area Networks (LR-WPANs) http://standards.ieee.org/getieee802/download/802.15.4-2006.pdf
- 2. CC2538xFnn User's Guide
- 3. Universal Serial Bus Revision 2.0 Specification http://www.usb.org/developers/docs/usb_20_052709.zip

7 Device and Documentation Support

7.1 Device Support

7.1.1 Development Support

TI offers an extensive line of development tools, including tools to evaluate the performance of the processors, generate code, develop algorithm implementations, and fully integrate and debug software and hardware modules. The tool's support documentation is electronically available within the Code Composer Studio[™] Integrated Development Environment (IDE).

The following products support development of the CC2538 device applications:

Software Development Tools: Code Composer Studio[™] Integrated Development Environment (IDE): including Editor C/C++/Assembly Code Generation, and Debug plus additional development tools Scalable, Real-Time Foundation Software (DSP/BIOS[™]), which provides the basic run-time target software needed to support any CC2538 device application.

Hardware Development Tools: Extended Development System (XDS™) Emulator

For a complete listing of development-support tools for the CC2538 platform, visit the Texas Instruments website at www.ti.com. For information on pricing and availability, contact the nearest TI field sales office or authorized distributor.

7.1.2 Device Nomenclature

To designate the stages in the product development cycle, TI assigns prefixes to the part numbers of all microprocessors (MPUs) and support tools. Each device has one of three prefixes: X, P, or null (no prefix) (for example, CC2538).

Device development evolutionary flow:

- **X** Experimental device that is not necessarily representative of the final device's electrical specifications and may not use production assembly flow.
- **P** Prototype device that is not necessarily the final silicon die and may not necessarily meet final electrical specifications.
- **null** Production version of the silicon die that is fully qualified.

Support tool development evolutionary flow:

X and P devices are shipped against the following disclaimer:

"Developmental product is intended for internal evaluation purposes."

Production devices have been characterized fully, and the quality and reliability of the device have been demonstrated fully. TI's standard warranty applies.

Predictions show that prototype devices (X or P) have a greater failure rate than the standard production devices. Texas Instruments recommends that these devices not be used in any production system because their expected end-use failure rate still is undefined. Only qualified production devices are to be used.

TI device nomenclature also includes a suffix with the device family name. This suffix indicates the package type (for example, RTQ) and the temperature range (for example, blank is the default commercial temperature range).

For orderable part numbers of CC2538 devices in the RTQ package types, see the Package Option Addendum of this document, the TI website (www.ti.com), or contact your TI sales representative.

7.2 Documentation Support

The following documents describe the CC2538 processor. Copies of these documents are available on the Internet at www.ti.com.

SWRZ045 CC2538 SoC for 2.4-GHz IEEE 802.15.4, 6LoWPAN and ZigBee Applications Errata

- SWRA467 Developing a Low-Cost, Zigbee-Enabled Smart Energy Meter On CC2538
- SWRA456 Pwr Consumption Meas & Optimization for CC2538 End Device With Z-Stack
- SWRA447 Using CC2592 Front End with CC2538
- SWRA437 CC2538 + CC1200 Evaluation Module
- SWRA443 Using GCC/GDB With CC2538
- SWRU325 CC2538 Peripheral Driver Library User's Guide
- SWRU319 CC2538 SoC for 2.4-GHz IEEE 802.15.4 & ZigBee/ZigBee IP Apps User's Guide

SWRU333 CC2538 ROM User's Guide

7.2.1 Community Resources

The following links connect to TI community resources. Linked contents are provided "AS IS" by the respective contributors. They do not constitute TI specifications and do not necessarily reflect TI's views; see TI's Terms of Use.

- TI E2E[™] Online Community TI's Engineer-to-Engineer (E2E) Community. Created to foster collaboration among engineers. At e2e.ti.com, you can ask questions, share knowledge, explore ideas and help solve problems with fellow engineers.
- TI Embedded Processors Wiki Texas Instruments Embedded Processors Wiki. Established to help developers get started with Embedded Processors from Texas Instruments and to foster innovation and growth of general knowledge about the hardware and software surrounding these devices.

7.3 Additional Information

Texas Instruments offers a wide selection of cost-effective, low-power RF solutions for proprietary and standard-based wireless applications for use in industrial and consumer applications. The selection includes RF transceivers, RF transmitters, RF front ends, and Systems-on-Chips as well as various software solutions for the sub-1-GHz and 2.4-GHz frequency bands.

In addition, Texas Instruments provides a large selection of support collateral such as development tools, technical documentation, reference designs, application expertise, customer support, third-party and university programs.

The Low-Power RF E2E Online Community provides technical support forums, videos and blogs, and the chance to interact with engineers from all over the world.

With a broad selection of product solutions, end-application possibilities, and a range of technical support, Texas Instruments offers the broadest low-power RF portfolio.

7.3.1 Texas Instruments Low-Power RF Web Site

Texas Instruments' Low-Power RF website has all the latest products, application and design notes, FAQ section, news and events updates. Go to www.ti.com/lprf.

7.3.2 Low-Power RF Online Community

- Forums, videos, and blogs
- RF design help
- E2E interaction

Join at: www.ti.com/lprf-forum.

7.3.3 Texas Instruments Low-Power RF Developer Network

Texas Instruments has launched an extensive network of low-power RF development partners to help customers speed up their application development. The network consists of recommended companies, RF consultants, and independent design houses that provide a series of hardware module products and design services, including:

- RF circuit, low-power RF, and ZigBee design services
- Low-power RF and ZigBee module solutions and development tools
- RF certification services and RF circuit manufacturing

For help with modules, engineering services or development tools:

Search the Low-Power RF Developer Network to find a suitable partner. www.ti.com/lprfnetwork

7.3.4 Low-Power RF eNewsletter

The Low-Power RF eNewsletter is up-to-date on new products, news releases, developers' news, and other news and events associated with low-power RF products from TI. The Low-Power RF eNewsletter articles include links to get more online information.

Sign up at: www.ti.com/lprfnewsletter

7.4 Trademarks

Code Composer Studio, SmartRF, E2E are trademarks of Texas Instruments. Cortex is a registered trademark of ARM Limited. ARM is a registered trademark of ARM Physical IP, Inc. IAR Embedded Workbench is a registered trademark of IAR Systems AB. ZigBee is a registered trademark of ZigBee Alliance.

7.5 Electrostatic Discharge Caution



This integrated circuit can be damaged by ESD. Texas Instruments recommends that all integrated circuits be handled with appropriate precautions. Failure to observe proper handling and installation procedures can cause damage.

ESD damage can range from subtle performance degradation to complete device failure. Precision integrated circuits may be more susceptible to damage because very small parametric changes could cause the device not to meet its published specifications.

7.6 Export Control Notice

Recipient agrees to not knowingly export or re-export, directly or indirectly, any product or technical data (as defined by the U.S., EU, and other Export Administration Regulations) including software, or any controlled product restricted by other applicable national regulations, received from disclosing party under nondisclosure obligations (if any), or any direct product of such technology, to any destination to which such export or re-export is restricted or prohibited by U.S. or other applicable laws, without obtaining prior authorization from U.S. Department of Commerce and other competent Government authorities to the extent required by those laws.

7.7 Glossary

TI Glossary This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.



8 Mechanical Packaging and Orderable Information

8.1 Packaging Information

The following pages include mechanical packaging and orderable information. This information is the most current data available for the designated devices. This data is subject to change without notice and revision of this document. For browser-based versions of this data sheet, refer to the left-hand navigation.



28-Jun-2016

PACKAGING INFORMATION

| Orderable Device | Status | Package Type | Package Drawing | Pins | Package Qty | Eco Plan (2) | Lead/Ball Finish (6) | MSL Peak Temp | Op Temp (°C) | Device Marking (4/5) | Samples |
|------------------|--------|--------------|--------------------|------|----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------------|---------|
| CC2538NF11RTQR | ACTIVE | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU NIPDAU | Level-3-260C-168 HR | -40 to 125 | CC2538NF11 | Samples |
| CC2538NF11RTQT | ACTIVE | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU NIPDAU | Level-3-260C-168 HR | -40 to 125 | CC2538NF11 | Samples |
| CC2538NF23RTQR | ACTIVE | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU NIPDAU | Level-3-260C-168 HR | -40 to 125 | CC2538NF23 | Samples |
| CC2538NF23RTQT | ACTIVE | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU NIPDAU | Level-3-260C-168 HR | -40 to 125 | CC2538NF23 | Samples |
| CC2538NF53RTQR | ACTIVE | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU NIPDAU | Level-3-260C-168 HR | -40 to 125 | CC2538NF53 | Samples |
| CC2538NF53RTQT | ACTIVE | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU NIPDAU | Level-3-260C-168 HR | -40 to 125 | CC2538NF53 | Samples |
| CC2538SF23RTQR | ACTIVE | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU NIPDAU | Level-3-260C-168 HR | -40 to 125 | CC2538SF23 | Samples |
| CC2538SF23RTQT | ACTIVE | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU NIPDAU | Level-3-260C-168 HR | -40 to 125 | CC2538SF23 | Samples |
| CC2538SF53RTQR | ACTIVE | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU NIPDAU | Level-3-260C-168 HR | -40 to 125 | CC2538SF53 | Samples |
| CC2538SF53RTQT | ACTIVE | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU NIPDAU | Level-3-260C-168 HR | -40 to 125 | CC2538SF53 | Samples |

⁽¹⁾ The marketing status values are defined as follows:

ACTIVE: Product device recommended for new designs.

LIFEBUY: TI has announced that the device will be discontinued, and a lifetime-buy period is in effect.

NRND: Not recommended for new designs. Device is in production to support existing customers, but TI does not recommend using this part in a new design.

PREVIEW: Device has been announced but is not in production. Samples may or may not be available.

OBSOLETE: TI has discontinued the production of the device.

(2) Eco Plan - The planned eco-friendly classification: Pb-Free (RoHS), Pb-Free (RoHS Exempt), or Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) - please check http://www.ti.com/productcontent for the latest availability information and additional product content details.

TBD: The Pb-Free/Green conversion plan has not been defined.

Pb-Free (RoHS): TI's terms "Lead-Free" or "Pb-Free" mean semiconductor products that are compatible with the current RoHS requirements for all 6 substances, including the requirement that lead not exceed 0.1% by weight in homogeneous materials. Where designed to be soldered at high temperatures, TI Pb-Free products are suitable for use in specified lead-free processes.

Pb-Free (RoHS Exempt): This component has a RoHS exemption for either 1) lead-based flip-chip solder bumps used between the die and package, or 2) lead-based die adhesive used between the die and leadframe. The component is otherwise considered Pb-Free (RoHS compatible) as defined above.

Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br): TI defines "Green" to mean Pb-Free (RoHS compatible), and free of Bromine (Br) and Antimony (Sb) based flame retardants (Br or Sb do not exceed 0.1% by weight in homogeneous material)



28-Jun-2016

⁽³⁾ MSL, Peak Temp. - The Moisture Sensitivity Level rating according to the JEDEC industry standard classifications, and peak solder temperature.

⁽⁴⁾ There may be additional marking, which relates to the logo, the lot trace code information, or the environmental category on the device.

⁽⁵⁾ Multiple Device Markings will be inside parentheses. Only one Device Marking contained in parentheses and separated by a "~" will appear on a device. If a line is indented then it is a continuation of the previous line and the two combined represent the entire Device Marking for that device.

⁽⁶⁾ Lead/Ball Finish - Orderable Devices may have multiple material finish options. Finish options are separated by a vertical ruled line. Lead/Ball Finish values may wrap to two lines if the finish value exceeds the maximum column width.

Important Information and Disclaimer: The information provided on this page represents TI's knowledge and belief as of the date that it is provided. TI bases its knowledge and belief on information provided by third parties, and makes no representation or warranty as to the accuracy of such information. Efforts are underway to better integrate information from third parties. TI has taken and continues to take reasonable steps to provide representative and accurate information but may not have conducted destructive testing or chemical analysis on incoming materials and chemicals. TI and TI suppliers consider certain information to be proprietary, and thus CAS numbers and other limited information may not be available for release.

In no event shall TI's liability arising out of such information exceed the total purchase price of the TI part(s) at issue in this document sold by TI to Customer on an annual basis.

PACKAGE MATERIALS INFORMATION

www.ti.com

Texas Instruments

TAPE AND REEL INFORMATION





QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE



| *All dimensions are nominal | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------|------|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------------|
| Device | Package Type | Package Drawing | Pins | SPQ | Reel Diameter (mm) | Reel Width W1 (mm) | A0 (mm) | B0 (mm) | K0 (mm) | P1 (mm) | W (mm) | Pin1 Quadrant |
| CC2538NF11RTQR | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | 330.0 | 16.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 2.25 | 12.0 | 16.0 | Q2 |
| CC2538NF11RTQT | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | 180.0 | 16.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 2.25 | 12.0 | 16.0 | Q2 |
| CC2538NF23RTQR | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | 330.0 | 16.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 2.25 | 12.0 | 16.0 | Q2 |
| CC2538NF23RTQT | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | 180.0 | 16.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 2.25 | 12.0 | 16.0 | Q2 |
| CC2538NF53RTQR | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | 330.0 | 16.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 2.25 | 12.0 | 16.0 | Q2 |
| CC2538NF53RTQT | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | 180.0 | 16.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 2.25 | 12.0 | 16.0 | Q2 |
| CC2538SF23RTQR | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | 330.0 | 16.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 2.25 | 12.0 | 16.0 | Q2 |
| CC2538SF23RTQT | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | 180.0 | 16.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 2.25 | 12.0 | 16.0 | Q2 |
| CC2538SF53RTQR | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | 330.0 | 16.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 2.25 | 12.0 | 16.0 | Q2 |
| CC2538SF53RTQT | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | 180.0 | 16.4 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 2.25 | 12.0 | 16.0 | Q2 |

Texas Instruments

www.ti.com

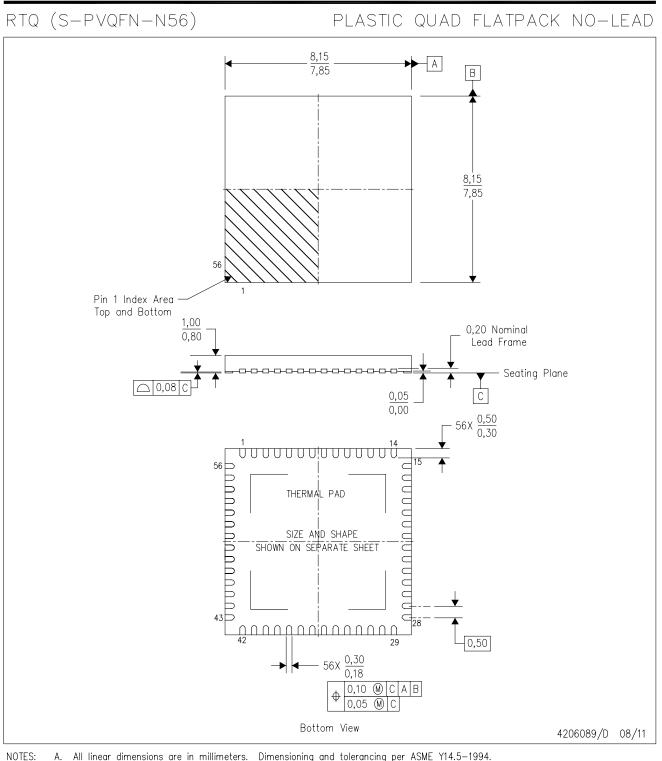
PACKAGE MATERIALS INFORMATION

30-Jan-2016



| *All dimensions are nominal | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------|------|------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| Device | Package Type | Package Drawing | Pins | SPQ | Length (mm) | Width (mm) | Height (mm) |
| CC2538NF11RTQR | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | 336.6 | 336.6 | 28.6 |
| CC2538NF11RTQT | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | 213.0 | 191.0 | 55.0 |
| CC2538NF23RTQR | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | 336.6 | 336.6 | 28.6 |
| CC2538NF23RTQT | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | 213.0 | 191.0 | 55.0 |
| CC2538NF53RTQR | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | 336.6 | 336.6 | 28.6 |
| CC2538NF53RTQT | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | 213.0 | 191.0 | 55.0 |
| CC2538SF23RTQR | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | 336.6 | 336.6 | 28.6 |
| CC2538SF23RTQT | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | 213.0 | 191.0 | 55.0 |
| CC2538SF53RTQR | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 2000 | 336.6 | 336.6 | 28.6 |
| CC2538SF53RTQT | QFN | RTQ | 56 | 250 | 213.0 | 191.0 | 55.0 |

MECHANICAL DATA



All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5-1994. Α.

- Β. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
- QFN (Quad Flatpack No-Lead) Package configuration. C.
- The package thermal pad must be soldered to the board for thermal and mechanical performance. D.
- See the additional figure in the Product Data Sheet for details regarding the exposed thermal pad features and dimensions. Ε.
- F. Package complies to JEDEC MO-220.



RTQ (S-PVQFN-N56)

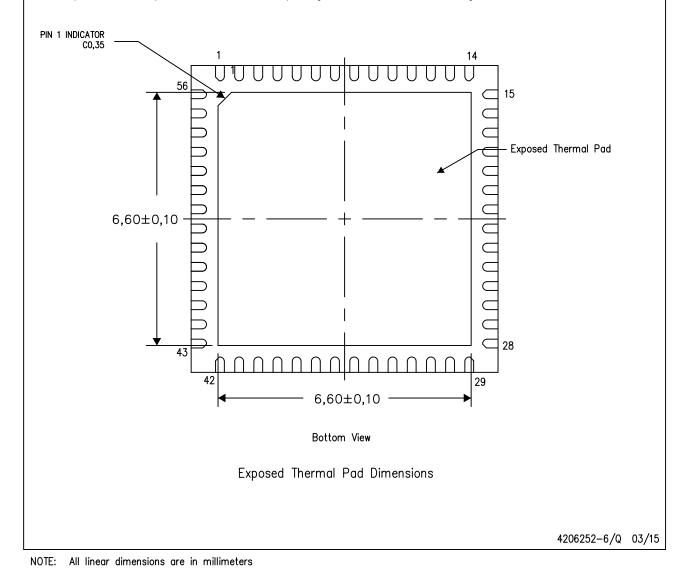
PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK NO-LEAD

THERMAL INFORMATION

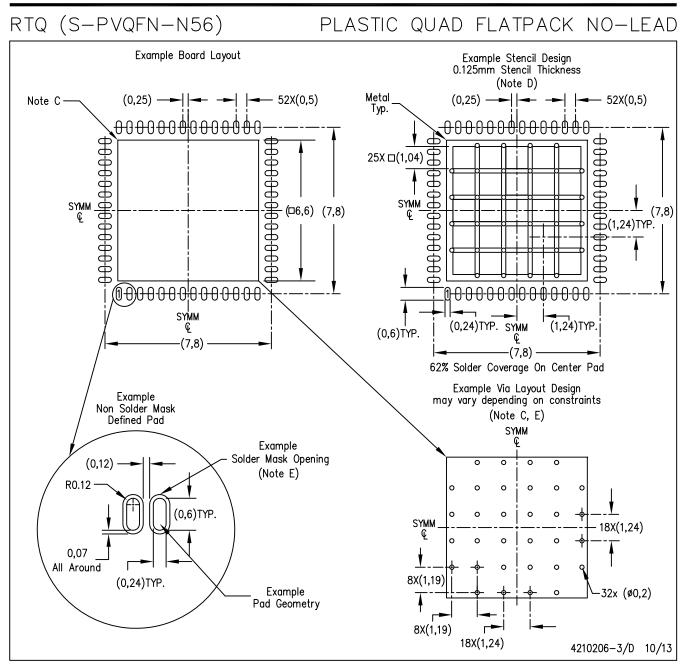
This package incorporates an exposed thermal pad that is designed to be attached directly to an external heatsink. The thermal pad must be soldered directly to the printed circuit board (PCB). After soldering, the PCB can be used as a heatsink. In addition, through the use of thermal vias, the thermal pad can be attached directly to the appropriate copper plane shown in the electrical schematic for the device, or alternatively, can be attached to a special heatsink structure designed into the PCB. This design optimizes the heat transfer from the integrated circuit (IC).

For information on the Quad Flatpack No-Lead (QFN) package and its advantages, refer to Application Report, QFN/SON PCB Attachment, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLUA271. This document is available at www.ti.com.

The exposed thermal pad dimensions for this package are shown in the following illustration.







NOTES:

A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.

- B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
- C. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. Refer to Application Note, Quad Flat-Pack Packages, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLUA271, and also the Product Data Sheets for specific thermal information, via requirements, and recommended board layout. These documents are available at www.ti.com http://www.ti.com.
- D. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and also rounding corners will offer better paste release. Customers should contact their board assembly site for stencil design recommendations. Refer to IPC 7525 for stencil design considerations.
- E. Customers should contact their board fabrication site for recommended solder mask tolerances and via tenting recommendations for vias placed in thermal pad.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Texas Instruments Incorporated and its subsidiaries (TI) reserve the right to make corrections, enhancements, improvements and other changes to its semiconductor products and services per JESD46, latest issue, and to discontinue any product or service per JESD48, latest issue. Buyers should obtain the latest relevant information before placing orders and should verify that such information is current and complete. All semiconductor products (also referred to herein as "components") are sold subject to TI's terms and conditions of sale supplied at the time of order acknowledgment.

TI warrants performance of its components to the specifications applicable at the time of sale, in accordance with the warranty in TI's terms and conditions of sale of semiconductor products. Testing and other quality control techniques are used to the extent TI deems necessary to support this warranty. Except where mandated by applicable law, testing of all parameters of each component is not necessarily performed.

TI assumes no liability for applications assistance or the design of Buyers' products. Buyers are responsible for their products and applications using TI components. To minimize the risks associated with Buyers' products and applications, Buyers should provide adequate design and operating safeguards.

TI does not warrant or represent that any license, either express or implied, is granted under any patent right, copyright, mask work right, or other intellectual property right relating to any combination, machine, or process in which TI components or services are used. Information published by TI regarding third-party products or services does not constitute a license to use such products or services or a warranty or endorsement thereof. Use of such information may require a license from a third party under the patents or other intellectual property of the third party, or a license from TI under the patents or other intellectual property of TI.

Reproduction of significant portions of TI information in TI data books or data sheets is permissible only if reproduction is without alteration and is accompanied by all associated warranties, conditions, limitations, and notices. TI is not responsible or liable for such altered documentation. Information of third parties may be subject to additional restrictions.

Resale of TI components or services with statements different from or beyond the parameters stated by TI for that component or service voids all express and any implied warranties for the associated TI component or service and is an unfair and deceptive business practice. TI is not responsible or liable for any such statements.

Buyer acknowledges and agrees that it is solely responsible for compliance with all legal, regulatory and safety-related requirements concerning its products, and any use of TI components in its applications, notwithstanding any applications-related information or support that may be provided by TI. Buyer represents and agrees that it has all the necessary expertise to create and implement safeguards which anticipate dangerous consequences of failures, monitor failures and their consequences, lessen the likelihood of failures that might cause harm and take appropriate remedial actions. Buyer will fully indemnify TI and its representatives against any damages arising out of the use of any TI components in safety-critical applications.

In some cases, TI components may be promoted specifically to facilitate safety-related applications. With such components, TI's goal is to help enable customers to design and create their own end-product solutions that meet applicable functional safety standards and requirements. Nonetheless, such components are subject to these terms.

No TI components are authorized for use in FDA Class III (or similar life-critical medical equipment) unless authorized officers of the parties have executed a special agreement specifically governing such use.

Only those TI components which TI has specifically designated as military grade or "enhanced plastic" are designed and intended for use in military/aerospace applications or environments. Buyer acknowledges and agrees that any military or aerospace use of TI components which have *not* been so designated is solely at the Buyer's risk, and that Buyer is solely responsible for compliance with all legal and regulatory requirements in connection with such use.

TI has specifically designated certain components as meeting ISO/TS16949 requirements, mainly for automotive use. In any case of use of non-designated products, TI will not be responsible for any failure to meet ISO/TS16949.

| Products | | Applications | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Audio | www.ti.com/audio | Automotive and Transportation | www.ti.com/automotive |
| Amplifiers | amplifier.ti.com | Communications and Telecom | www.ti.com/communications |
| Data Converters | dataconverter.ti.com | Computers and Peripherals | www.ti.com/computers |
| DLP® Products | www.dlp.com | Consumer Electronics | www.ti.com/consumer-apps |
| DSP | dsp.ti.com | Energy and Lighting | www.ti.com/energy |
| Clocks and Timers | www.ti.com/clocks | Industrial | www.ti.com/industrial |
| Interface | interface.ti.com | Medical | www.ti.com/medical |
| Logic | logic.ti.com | Security | www.ti.com/security |
| Power Mgmt | power.ti.com | Space, Avionics and Defense | www.ti.com/space-avionics-defense |
| Microcontrollers | microcontroller.ti.com | Video and Imaging | www.ti.com/video |
| RFID | www.ti-rfid.com | | |
| OMAP Applications Processors | www.ti.com/omap | TI E2E Community | e2e.ti.com |
| Wireless Connectivity | www.ti.com/wirelessconne | ctivity | |

Mailing Address: Texas Instruments, Post Office Box 655303, Dallas, Texas 75265 Copyright © 2016, Texas Instruments Incorporated