



REFLECTIONLESS

High Pass Filter

XHF-252+

Mini-Circuits

50Ω 2460 to 10400 MHz

THE BIG DEAL

- Match to 50Ω in the stop band, eliminates undesired reflections
- Cascadable
- Excellent Power handling
- Temperature stable, up to 105°C
- Small size, 3 x 3 mm
- Protected by US Patent No. 8,392,495



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CASE STYLE: DQ1225

+RoHS Compliant

The +Suffix identifies RoHS Compliance. See our website for methodologies and qualifications

APPLICATIONS

- Wi-Fi
- WiMax
- Microwave Radio
- Military & Space

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Mini-Circuits' XHF-252+ reflectionless filter employs a novel filter topology which absorbs and terminates stop band signals internally rather than reflecting them back to the source. This new capability enables unique applications for filter circuits beyond those suited to traditional approaches. Traditional filters are reflective in the stop band, sending signals back to the source at 100% of the power level. These reflections interact with neighboring components and often result in inter-modulation and other interferences. Reflectionless filters eliminate stop band reflections, allowing them to be paired with sensitive devices and used in applications that otherwise require circuits such as isolation amplifiers or attenuators.

KEY FEATURES

Feature	Advantages
Easy integration with sensitive reflective components, e.g. mixers, multipliers	Reflectionless filters absorb unwanted signals falling in filter stopband, preventing reflections back to the source. This reduces generation of additional unwanted signals without the need for extra components like attenuators, improving system dynamic range and saving board space.
High stopband rejection, up to 50 dB	Ideal for applications where suppression of strong spurious signals and intermodulation products is needed.
Enables stable integration of wideband amplifiers	Because reflectionless filters maintain good impedance in the stopband; they can be integrated with high gain, wideband amplifiers without the risk of creating instabilities in these out of band regions.
Cascadable	Reflectionless filters can be cascaded in multiple sections to provide sharper and higher attenuation, while also preventing any standing waves that could affect passband signals. Low & highpass filters can be cascaded to realize bandpass filters.
Excellent power handling in a tiny surface mount device up to 7W in passband	High power handling extends the usability of these filters to the transmit path for inter-stage filtering.
Small size, 3x3mm QFN-Style	Allows replacement of filter/attenuator pairs with a single reflectionless filter, saving board space.
Excellent repeatability of RF performance	Through semiconductor IPD process, X-series filters are inherently repeatable for large volume production.
Operating temperature up to 105 °C	Suitable for operation close to high power components.

IPD – Integrated Passive Device, is a GaAs semiconductor process





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ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS¹ AT +25°C

Parameter	F#	Frequency (MHz)	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit	
Stop Band	Rejection	DC-F1	DC-1520	12	14	—	dB
	Frequency Cut-off	F2	2030	—	3.0	—	dB
	VSWR	DC - F1	DC-1520	—	1.2	—	:1
Pass Band	Insertion Loss	F3-F5	2460 -10400	—	1.0	1.8	dB
	VSWR	F3-F4	2460 - 3700	—	1.5	—	:1
		F4-F5	3700 - 10400	—	1.7	—	:1

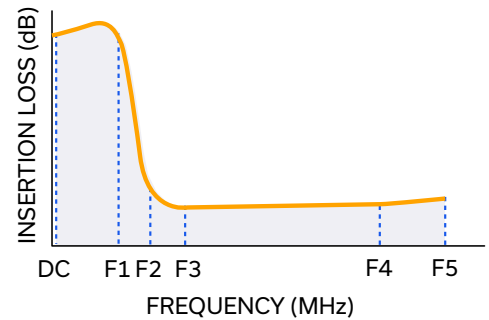
1. Measured on Mini-Circuits Characterization Test Board TB-844-252H+

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS²

Parameter	Ratings
Operating Temperature	-55°C to +105°C
Storage Temperature	-65°C to +150°C
RF Power Input, Passband (F3-F5) ³	2 W at +25°C
RF Power Input, Stopband (DC-F3) ⁴	0.5 W at +25°C

- 2. Permanent damage may occur if any of these limits are exceeded.
- 3. Passband rating derates linearly to 1 W at 105°C ambient
- 4. Stopband rating derates linearly to 0.25 W at 105°C ambient

SPECIFICATION DEFINITION





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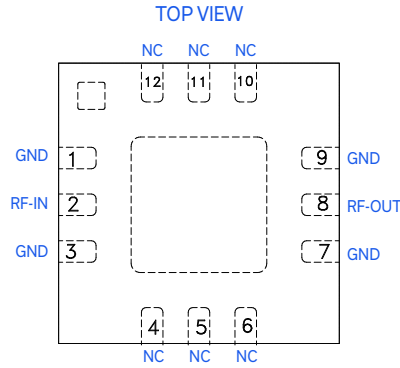
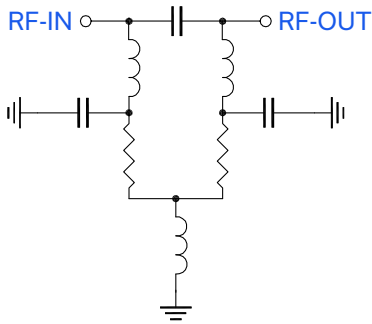
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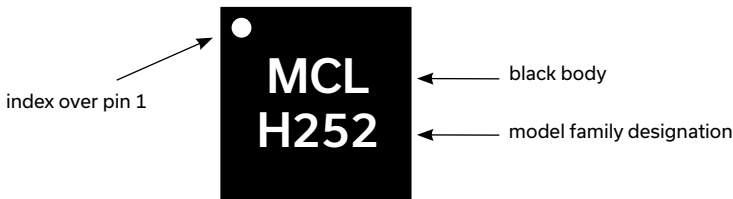
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SIMPLIFIED SCHEMATIC AND PAD DESCRIPTION



Function	Pad Number	Description
RF-IN	2	RF Input Pad
RF-OUT	8	RF Output Pad
GND	1,3,7,9, Paddle	Connected to ground
NC (GND Externally)	4,5,6,10,11,12	No internal connection

PRODUCT MARKING



Marking may contain other features or characters for internal lot control



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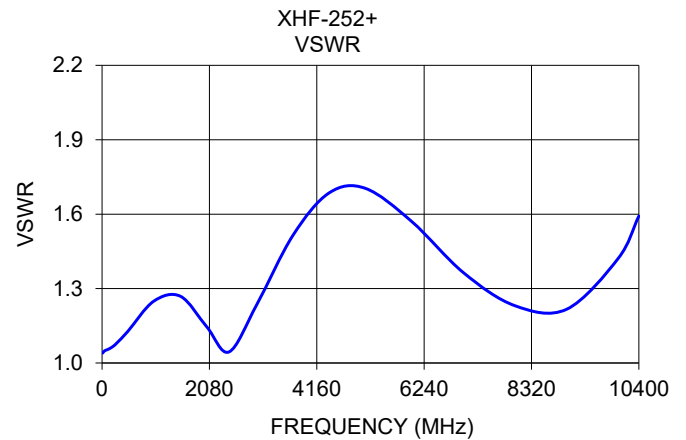
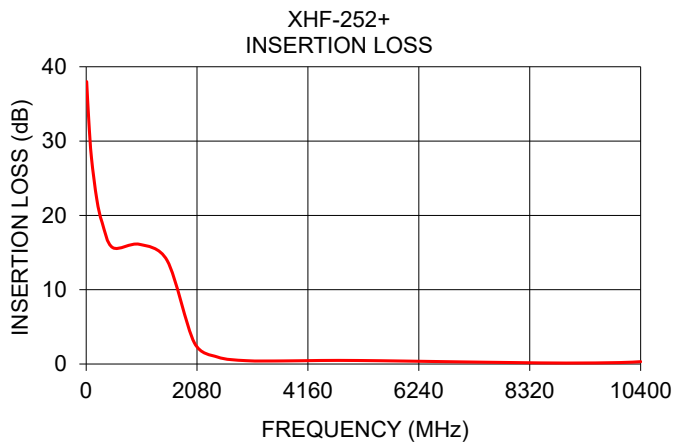
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TYPICAL PERFORMANCE DATA AT +25°C

Frequency (MHz)	Insertion Loss (dB)	VSWR (:1)
10	38.00	1.04
50	32.70	1.05
100	27.74	1.05
200	22.16	1.06
300	19.04	1.08
500	15.66	1.13
1000	16.11	1.25
1520	13.92	1.27
2030	2.86	1.15
2460	0.95	1.04
3000	0.46	1.24
3700	0.42	1.52
4400	0.48	1.69
5100	0.48	1.70
6000	0.40	1.57
7000	0.30	1.36
8000	0.20	1.23
9000	0.14	1.22
10000	0.20	1.42
10400	0.32	1.59





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ADDITIONAL DETAILED TECHNICAL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON OUR DASH BOARD. TO ACCESS [CLICK HERE](#)

Performance Data & Graphs	Table
	Graphs
	S-Parameter (S2P Files) Data Set (.zip file)
Case Style	DQ1225 Plastic package, exposed paddle lead finish: matte-tin
Tape & Reel Standard quantities available on reel	F66 7" reels with 20, 50, 100, 200, 500, 1000, 2000 or 3000 devices
Suggested Layout for PCB Design	PL-451+
Evaluation Board	TB-844-252H+ (without connectors) TB-844-252HC+ (with connectors) B20-118-F1+ Connector sold separately.
Environmental Ratings	ENV82

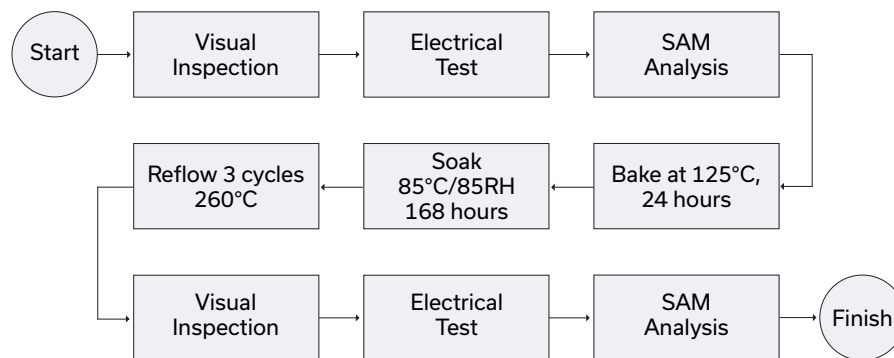
ESD RATING

Human body model (HBM): Class 2 (2000 to < 4000 V) in accordance with ANSI/ESD 5.1-2001

MSL RATING

Moisture Sensitivity: MSL1 in accordance with IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020D

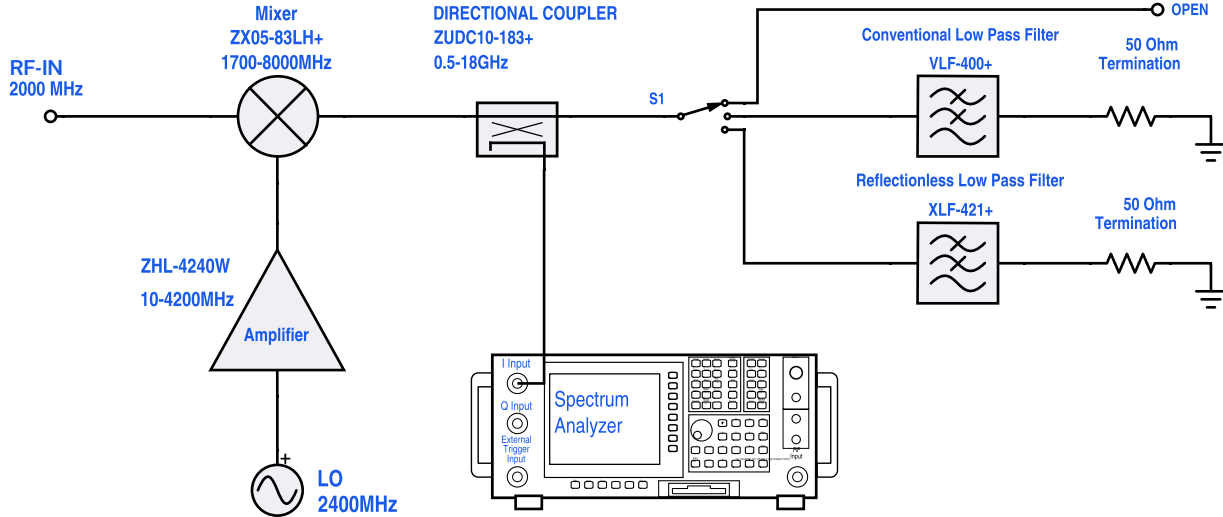
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REFLECTIONLESS FILTER APPLICATION NOTE

Application Circuit Example: Pairing mixers with reflectionless filters to improve system dynamic range



Test block diagram: IF output reflection spectrum with single input frequency

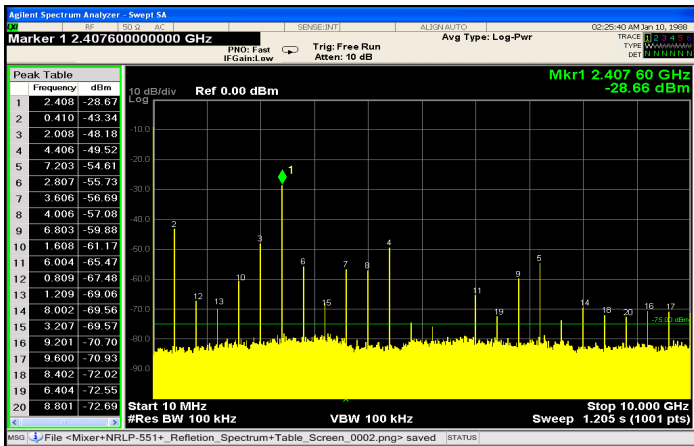


Figure 1. IF output reflection spectrum without filter

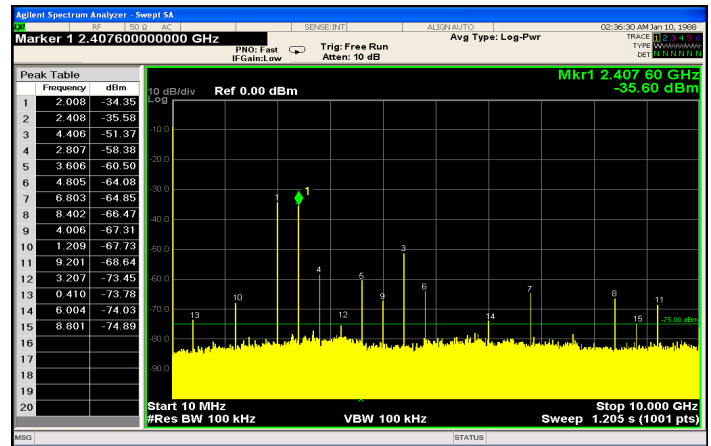


Figure 2. IF output reflection spectrum with conventional filter

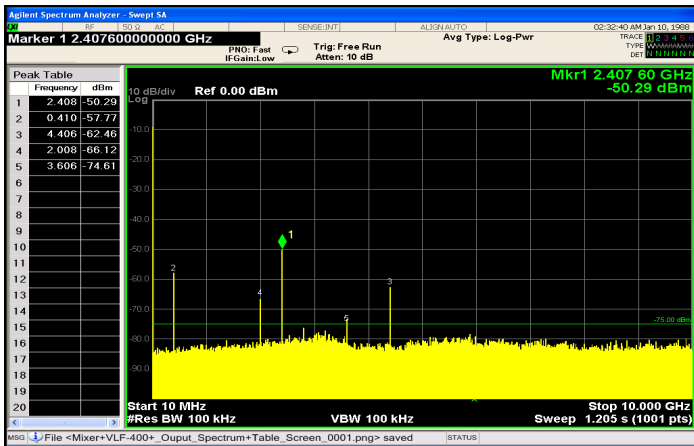


Figure 3. IF output reflection spectrum with reflectionless filter

An application circuit was assembled to measure the IF reflection spectrum at the output of a mixer when the mixer was paired with a conventional filter versus a reflectionless filter.

While the conventional filter reduces the reflections present when the mixer is used alone (no filter), the reflectionless filter virtually eliminates those reflections altogether.

The reflected signal at marker 1 in the figures above exhibits a reduction of more than 20 dB from -28.7 dBm to -50.3 dBm when the reflectionless filter is used as compared to the conventional filter, thus eliminating unwanted spurious mixing products and improving system dynamic range.

For more information, refer to application note [AN-75-007](#)

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