## IF Down Converter for Digital Broadcast

## Description

The CXA3556N is a one－chip integrated IC that processes IF signals of a digital broadcast tuner and includes an AGC amplifier circuit，a mixer circuit，a local oscillator circuit and an output amplifier circuit．
The package utilizes a 24 －pin SSOP suitable for surface mounting．

## Features

－AGC control width that has a 56 dB variable range
－Low noise characteristics
－Low distortion characteristics（in particular，during AGC gain reduction）
－Includes switching function between down converter mode and linear amplifier mode
－Variable output amplifier gain by changing external resistance
－Includes RF AGC output pin
－Variable RF AGC settings
－AGC control curve characteristics with excellent linearity

## Applications

Digital broadcast tuners

## Structure

Bipolar silicon monolithic IC
24 pin SSOP（Plastic）

Absolute Maximum Rating（ $\mathrm{Ta}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ）
－Supply voltage Vcc $\quad-0.3$ to +12 V
－Operating temperature Topr -55 to $+150 \quad{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

## Operating Conditions

－Supply voltage Vcc 4.75 to 5.25 V
－Operating temperature Topr -25 to $+75 \quad{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

[^0]Block Diagram and Pin Configuration


Pin Description and Equivalent Circuit


\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline $$
\begin{aligned}
& \hline \text { Pin } \\
& \text { No. }
\end{aligned}
$$ \& Symbol \& Pin voltage \& Equivalent circuit \& Pin description <br>
\hline 10 \& Vcc1 \& 5 V \& \& Power supply. <br>
\hline 11
12 \& MO1

MO2 \& 2.3 V

2.3 V \&  \& Mixer output pin. <br>
\hline 13 \& Vcc2 \& 5 V \& \& Power supply. <br>
\hline 14 \& AIN1 \& 1.3 V \& \multirow[t]{4}{*}{} \& \multirow{4}{*}{Output amplifier circuit inputs. Gain of output amplifier circuit can be changed by connecting external resistance between Pins 16 and 17.} <br>
\hline 15 \& AIN2 \& 1.3 V \& \& <br>
\hline 16 \& E1 \& 0.6 V \& \& <br>
\hline 17 \& E2 \& 0.6 V \& \& <br>
\hline 18 \& AGCREF \& - \&  \& RF AGC setting voltage adjustment pin. Connect external resistance between Pin 18 and GND and change the value to change RF AGC output voltage. <br>
\hline 19 \& GND \& OV \& \& GND <br>
\hline 20 \& AO1 \& 2.7 V \& (10) \& Output amplifier output. <br>
\hline 21 \& AO2 \& 2.7 V \& (19)? $?$ \& <br>
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\end{tabular}

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pin } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | Symbol | Pin voltage | Equivalent circuit | Pin description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 22 | AGCGND | OV |  | AGC circuit GND. |
| 23 | MODESEL | - |  | Selects either IF down converter mode or linear amplifier mode. When the voltage applied to this pin is 0.3 V or less, the mode is down converter mode. When the voltage is 4.75 to 5.25 V , the mode is linear amplifier mode. |
| 24 | AGCIN | - |  | AGC control. Input voltage range is 0 to 2.2 V . |

Electrical Characteristics (Vcc $\left.=5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{Ta}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$
(1) IF down converter mode (fvco $=49.38 \mathrm{MHz}$ )

| Item | Symbol | Measurement conditions | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current consumption A | IccA | Input signal = no signal AGC_IN voltage $=0 \mathrm{~V}$ | 44 | 63 | 77 | mA |
| Gain 1 | G1 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal = } 1 \text { wave }(43.5 \mathrm{MHz}), \text { AGC_IN voltage }=2.2 \mathrm{~V} \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | 65 | 68.5 | 73 | dB |
| Gain 2 | G2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal }=1 \text { wave ( } 43.5 \mathrm{MHz} \text { ), AGC_IN voltage }=0 \mathrm{~V} \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | 10 | 12.2 | 15 | dB |
| Gain width | G3 | $\mathrm{G} 3=\mathrm{G} 1-\mathrm{G} 2$ | 54 | 56 | 58 | dB |
| IM3_1 | DIS1 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal }=2 \text { waves }(43.5 \mathrm{MHz}, 43.6 \mathrm{MHz}) /-26 \mathrm{dBm} \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | -44 | -51 | - | dBc |
| IM3_2 | DIS2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal }=2 \text { waves }(43.5 \mathrm{MHz}, 43.6 \mathrm{MHz}) /-21 \mathrm{dBm} \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | -42 | -51 | - | dBc |
| Output noise 1 | NF1 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal }=-60 \mathrm{dBm}(43.5 \mathrm{MHz}) \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | - | -100 | -96 | $\mathrm{dBc} / \mathrm{Hz}$ |
| Output noise 2 | NF2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal }=-20 \mathrm{dBm}(43.5 \mathrm{MHz}) \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | - | -120 | -111 | $\mathrm{dBc} / \mathrm{Hz}$ |

(2) Linear amplifier mode

| Item | Symbol | Measurement conditions | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current consumption B | IccB | Input signal = no signal AGC_IN voltage $=0 \mathrm{~V}$ | 44 | 63 | 77 | mA |
| Gain 4 | G4 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal = } 1 \text { wave }(43.5 \mathrm{MHz}), \text { AGC_IN voltage }=2.2 \mathrm{~V} \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | 65 | 68.5 | 73 | dB |
| Gain 5 | G5 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal }=1 \text { wave }(43.5 \mathrm{MHz}), \text { AGC_IN voltage }=0 \mathrm{~V} \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | 10 | 12.7 | 15 | dB |
| Gain width | G6 | $\mathrm{G6}=\mathrm{G} 4-\mathrm{G} 5$ | 54 | 56 | 58 | dB |
| IM3_3 | DIS3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal }=2 \text { waves }(43.5 \mathrm{MHz}, 43.6 \mathrm{MHz}) /-26 \mathrm{dBm} \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | -44 | -51 | - | dBc |
| IM3_4 | DIS4 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal }=2 \text { waves }(43.5 \mathrm{MHz}, 43.6 \mathrm{MHz}) /-21 \mathrm{dBm} \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | -42 | -51 | - | dBc |
| Output noise 3 | NF3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal }=-60 \mathrm{dBm}(43.5 \mathrm{MHz}) \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | - | -100 | -96 | $\mathrm{dBc} / \mathrm{Hz}$ |
| Output noise 4 | NF4 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Input signal }=-20 \mathrm{dBm}(43.5 \mathrm{MHz}) \\ & \text { Output signal }=1 \mathrm{Vp}-\mathrm{p} \end{aligned}$ | - | -120 | -111 | $\mathrm{dBc} / \mathrm{Hz}$ |

(3) Output amplifier characteristics

| Item | Symbol | Measurement conditions | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| F <br> characteristics | F | Input signal $=60 \mathrm{MHz}$ <br> Short between Pins 16 and 17 | -3 | -1.5 | 0 | dB |

## Measurement circuit 1

IF down converter mode


## Measurement circuit 2

## Linear mode



## Measurement circuit 3

## Output amplifier F characteristics



## Application circuit

IF down converter mode


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## Description of Functions

The CXA3556N is an IF down converter IC for digital broadcasts. This IC contains a mixer circuit, a local oscillator circuit and an AGC circuit that standardizes IF signals in response to levels of input signals.
It can also operate in a mode other than down converter (linear amplifier mode) and making possible use in a wide variety of digital broadcast tuners. (Control using Pin 23 bias voltage.)

## 1. AGC Circuit

This is a variable gain amplifier circuit that standardizes output in response to levels of input signals. This circuit has especially excellent low distortion and noise characteristics even when the input level is large. It also has a variable width of 56 dB as the gain control range with excellent linearity of the gain control curve.

## 2. Local Oscillator Circuit

This circuit has a structure that uses a crystal oscillator and oscillates at 3rd overtone frequency. The circuit sets the parallel frequency of the parallel LC resonator between Pins 7 and 8 close to a tertiary overtone frequency (Fvco). This oscillator circuit can also use an LC resonance circuit in place of the crystal oscillator to form an oscillator circuit.

## 3. Output Amplifier Circuit

Adding a resistor between Pins 16 and 17 allows the gain to be changed in proportion to that resistance. (Refer to characteristic graph Fig. 5 Gain vs. resistance between E1 and E2.)
The output stage of this amplifier is also designed to be $500 \Omega$ load/1Vp-p.

## 4. Mixer Circuit

This circuit outputs the frequency difference between the signal input to IF IN and the local oscillator signal.

## 5. RF AGC Circuit

This circuit has high image quality in both strong and weak electric fields. In particular, it controls the RF IC gain existing in the first stage of the CXA3556N to delay the characteristics related to $\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{N}$ to the maximum limits. The circuit controls the RF IC gain using RF AGC voltage (Pin 3) in order that signals input to IF IN (Pins 1, 2) grow larger in weak electric fields. The RF AGC voltage at Pin 3 is obtained from results of a comparison between the AGC control voltage (Pin 24 input voltage) that detects output signals and the voltage at Pin 18 that can be freely set using the resistance value. When the control voltage is low, the RF IC gain decreases and when the control voltage is high, the RF IC gain increases.

## IF down converter mode characteristics

Fig. 1. Gain vs. AGCIN voltage


Fig. 3. IM3 vs. input level


Fig. 5. Gain vs. resistance between E1 and E2


* Gain when $1 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ is connected between E1 and E2 is 0 dB .

Fig. 2. Output noise vs. input level


Fig. 4. REFAGC voltage vs. AGCIN voltage


Fig. 6. Input characteristics


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24PIN SSOP (PLASTIC)


DETAIL B : PALLADIUM

NOTE: Dimension "*" does not include mold protrusion.

PACKAGE STRUCTURE

| PACKAGE MATERIAL | EPOXY RESIN |
| :--- | :--- |
| LEAD TREATMENT | PALLADIUM PLATING |
| LEAD MATERIAL | COPPER ALLOY |
| PACKAGE MASS | 0.1 g |


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