LMX2592EVM High Performance, Wideband PLLatinum[™] RF Synthesizer Evaluation Board Operating Instructions

User's Guide



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Evaluation Board Setup

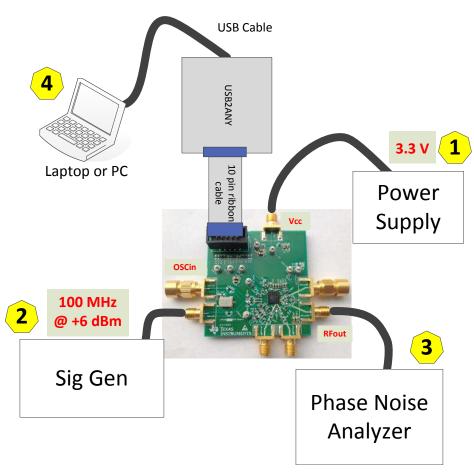


Figure 1-1. Setup Diagram

- 1. Power:
 - (a) Set power supply to 3.3 V with 500-mA current limit.
 - (b) Connect V_{cc} with SMA cable or clip to test point Vcc_TP.
- 2. Input Signal
 - (a) Option 1 (default): The on-board Oscillator is powered on and outputs 100-MHz signal to OSCinP (pin 8) of the device input.
 - (b) Option 2: Must Switch R14p to R14, which routes the input signal from the OSCinP SMA connector instead of on-board Oscillator. Set a low phase noise signal generator (see note 1) to 100 MHz with 6-dBm power level. Connect to OSCinP or OSCinM if you have a single ended signal. Connect to both if you have a differential signal.
 - (c) IMPORTANT NOTE: Phase noise of input signal should be below –150 dBc/Hz at 10-kHz offset for 100-MHz signal, otherwise the input reference noise will dominate the in-band phase noise at RF output. The On-board Oscillator is only at –134 dBc/Hz.
- 3. Output



- (a) Connect RFoutAM or RFoutAP to a phase noise analyzer. Connect a $50-\Omega$ termination on the unused output if you are using only single-end. Use a balan if you are using differential-ended.
- 4. Programming Interface
 - (a) Connect your laptop to the EVM as shown with included USB2ANY module.



EVM Software Startup Instructions

- 1. Download TICS software from TI.com: http://www.ti.com/tool/TICSPRO-SW
- 2. To start the EVM software, open TICS.exe from Installed directory.

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EVM Software Navigation

1. The software should be opened as shown in Figure 3-1:

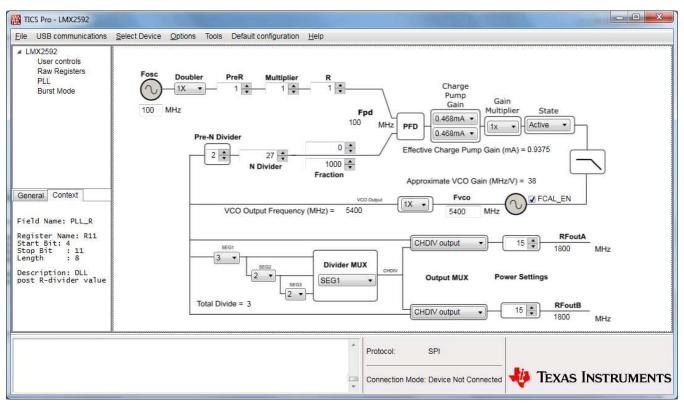


Figure 3-1. Software Screenshot

- 2. Top Menu
 - File: Allows you to load or save a setting, export or import the registers in HEX values.
 - USB Communications: Check your connection with the USB2ANY module (if there is new software follow the on-screen instructions to upgrade). Load the device (the keyboard shortcut is CTRL+L), which programs all the registers into the device.
 - Default configuration: Load a pre-set setting file given to start from a known state.
 - To select the LMX2592: Click Select Device on top menu. Then click PLL + VCO and select LMX2592.
- 3. Left Panel
 - User Controls: Here you can configure registers, organized by function. Hover your mouse over the register and its information will appear in the Context tab on the left panel.
 - Raw Registers: See the entire register map. Enter a HEX value in the Data cell then click Write *Register* to program that value. To read registers, you must have MUXout pin (pin 20) connected to the USB2ANY (by default it is connected to the LED, switch R40 to R39 for readback). Also set MUXOUT SEL=0 for readback. You can also read a register by the name of the register in Register/Field Name section.
- 4. PLL

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- Fosc: Enter the input signal frequency between 5 to 1400 MHz.
- Doubler: Can double input signal frequency (input must be 50% duty cycle to use this).
- Pre-R divider: Divides frequencies up to 1400 MHz.
- Multiplier: Multiplies frequencies between 40 to 70 MHz and outputs between 180 to 250 MHz.
- R divider: Used for dividing frequencies below 5 MHz for very low PFD
- Charge Pump Gain: This tab will auto-update UP and DN to be equal. Go to bits/pins section if you want to force different values.
- Gain multiplier: Multiplies Charge Pump Gain by a factor
- State: Changes the charge pump output state
- FCAL_EN: Every time you change the output frequency, toggle this off and on to calibrate the device to the frequency.
- Fvco: Sets the VCO frequency between 3550 to 7100 MHz
- 1X or 2X: Enables the VCO doubler from 3550 to 4900 MHz for frequencies up to 9800 MHz
- Divider MUX: This determines which of the 3 segments are included for a total division between 2 to 192.
- Output MUX: Selects the signal from the VCO output or the Divider
- Power Settings: Changes the output power (increase 0 to 31, then additional boost with 49 to 63)
- 5. Burst Mode
 - Enter a register in *Load Register*"or delay in seconds.
 - You can run and stop the commands in a single burst or continuous loop.

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Schematic

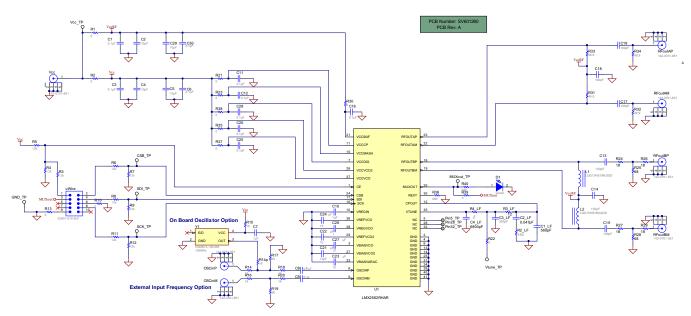


Figure 4-1. Schematic



BOM

DESIGNATOR	DESCRIPTION	MANUFACTURER	PART NUMBER	QUANTITY
!PCB	Printed Circuit Board	Any	SV601260	1
C1, C3, C6, C8, C9, C11, C12, C16, C20, C25, C28, C30	CAP, CERM, 0.1 μF, 16 V, ±5%, X7R, 0603	AVX	0603YC104JAT2A	12
C1_LF	CAP, CERM, 560 pF, 50 V, ±10%, X7R, 0603	Kemet	C0603C561K5RACTU	1
C2, C4, C5, C29	CAP, CERM, 10 μF, 10 V, ±10%, X5R, 0805	Kemet	C0805C106K8PACTU	4
C2_LF	CAP, CERM, 0.047 μF, 50 V, ±10%, X7R, 0603	MuRata	GRM188R71H473KA61D	1
C4_LF	CAP, CERM, 6800 pF, 50 V, ±10%, X7R, 0603	MuRata	GRM188R71H682KA01D	1
C7, C10	CAP, CERM, 1 µF, 16 V, ±10%, X7R, 0603	TDK	C1608X7R1C105K	2
C13, C14, C15, C17, C18, C19	CAP, CERM, 100 pF, 50 V, ±5%, C0G/NP0, 0402	MuRata	GRM1535C1H101JDD5D	6
C21, C22, C23, C24, C27	CAP, CERM, 10 μF, 10 V, ±10%, C0G/NP0, 0603	TDK	C1608X5R1A106M	5
C26	CAP, CERM, 1 µF, 6.3 V, ±10%, X5R, 0603	TDK	C1608X5R0J105K	1
CSB_TP, GND_TP, MUXout_TP, SCK_TP, SDI_TP, Vcc_TP, Vtune_TP	Test Point, Compact, White, TH	Keystone	5007	7
D1	LED, Green, SMD	Lite-On	LTST-C190GKT	1
L1, L2	Inductor, Multilayer, Air Core, 18 nH, 0.3 A, 0.36 Ω, SMD	MuRata	LQG15HS18NJ02D	2
OSCinM, OSCinP, RFoutAM, RFoutAP, RFoutBM, RFoutBP, V _{CC}	Connector, SMT, End launch SMA 50 ohm	Emerson Network Power Connectivity	142-0701-851	7
R1, R2, R4_LF, R10, R13, R21, R22, R23, R30, R35, R37, R38	RES, 0 Ω, 5%, 0.1W, 0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW06030000Z0EA	12
R2_LF	RES, 150, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW0603150RJNEA	1
R3_LF	RES, 12, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW060312R0JNEA	1
R5, R6, R8, R11	RES, 12k Ω, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW060312K0JNEA	4
R14p, R16, R18, R20	RES, 18 Ω, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW060318R0JNEA	4
R15	RES, 10 Ω, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW060310R0JNEA	1
R17, R19	RES, 68 Ω, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	Vishay-Dale	CRCW060368R0JNEA	2
R24, R26, R27, R29	RES, 18, 5%, 0.063 W, 0402	Vishay-Dale	CRCW040218R0JNED	4
R25, R28	RES, 68, 5%, 0.063 W, 0402	Vishay-Dale	CRCW040268R0JNED	2
R31, R33	RES, 49.9, 1%, 0.063 W, 0402	Vishay-Dale	CRCW040249R9FKED	2
R36	RES, 680, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	Yageo America	RC0603FR-07680RL	1
R40	RES, 330 Ω, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	Yageo America	RC0603JR-07330RL	1



DESIGNATOR	DESCRIPTION	MANUFACTURER	PART NUMBER	QUANTITY
U1	High Performance, Wideband PLLatinum RF Synthesizer, RHA0040C	Texas Instruments	LMX2592RHAR	1
uWire	Header (shrouded), 100mil, 5x2, Gold plated, SMD	FCI	52601-S10-8LF	1
Y1	OSC 100.0000 MHZ 3.3 V ±25 PPM SMD	Connor-Winfield	CWX813-100.0M	1



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Layout

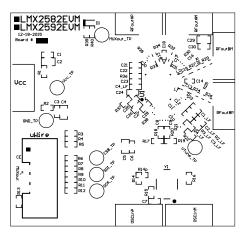


Figure 6-1. Top Overlay

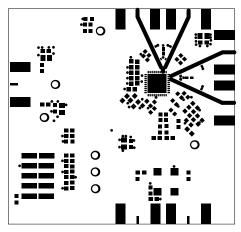


Figure 6-2. Top Solder



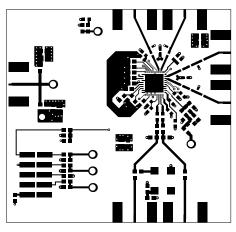


Figure 6-3. Top Layer

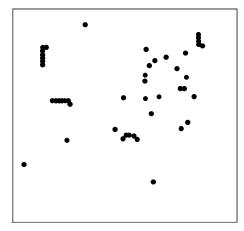


Figure 6-4. Ground Layer

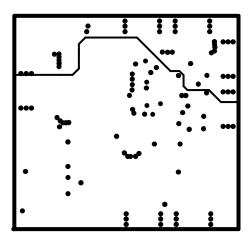


Figure 6-5. Power Layer



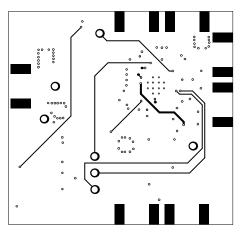


Figure 6-6. Bottom Layer

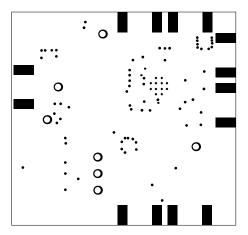


Figure 6-7. Bottom Solder

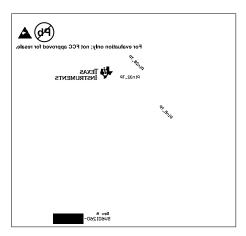


Figure 6-8. Bottom Overlay



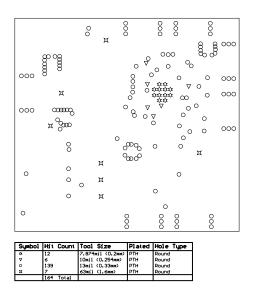


Figure 6-9. Drill Drawing

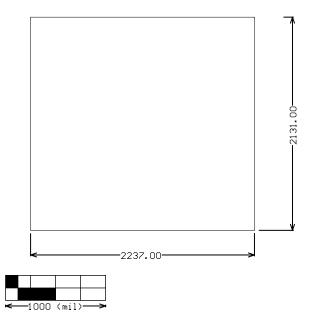


Figure 6-10. Board Dimensions

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