

BTS6403C

Wideband high gain high linearity pre-driver amplifier 4.4 GHz - 5 GHz

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Product data sheet



1 General description

The BTS6403C is a wideband, high linearity pre-driver amplifier for 5G massive MIMO infrastructure applications, with fast on-off switching to support TDD systems. The BTS6403C is designed to operate between 4.4 GHz and 5 GHz. The BTS6403C is housed in a 3 mm x 3 mm x 0.85 mm 16-terminal HVQFN16 package.

2 Features and benefits

- High saturated output power $P_{o(sat)} = 28$ dBm
- High power-gain $G_p = 35.5$ dB
- High linearity performance ACLR = -42 dBc
- Unconditionally stable
- Fast switching to support TDD systems
- 5 V single supply, quiescent current 100 mA
- Small 16-terminal leadless package 3 mm x 3 mm x 0.85 mm
- ESD protection on all terminals
- Moisture sensitivity level 1

3 Applications

- Wireless infrastructure 5G NR mMIMO
- High linearity pre-driver
- TDD systems



4 Quick reference data

Table 1. Quick reference data

Unless otherwise specified, the following settings are used for measurements: $f = 4.4 \text{ GHz}$; $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}$; $T_{amb} = 25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$; input $50 \text{ } \Omega$, and output $50 \text{ } \Omega$; $RSET = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
I_{CC}	supply current	ON state, $P_o = 15 \text{ dBm}$	-	120	150	mA
		ON state, quiescent	-	100	125	mA
		OFF state	-	1.2	2.5	mA
G_p	power gain	On state	-	35.5	-	dB
		OFF state	-	-49	-	dB
$P_{o(sat)}$	saturated output power	[1]	-	28	-	dBm
ACLR	adjacent channel leakage ratio	CP-OFDM with 100 MHz channel BW, QPSK modulation, and 60 kHz SCS, fully allocated, $P_o = 15 \text{ dBm}$	-	-42	-	dBc

[1] Connector and Printed-Circuit Board (PCB) losses have been de-embedded, 3 dB gain compression.

5 Ordering information

Table 2. Ordering information

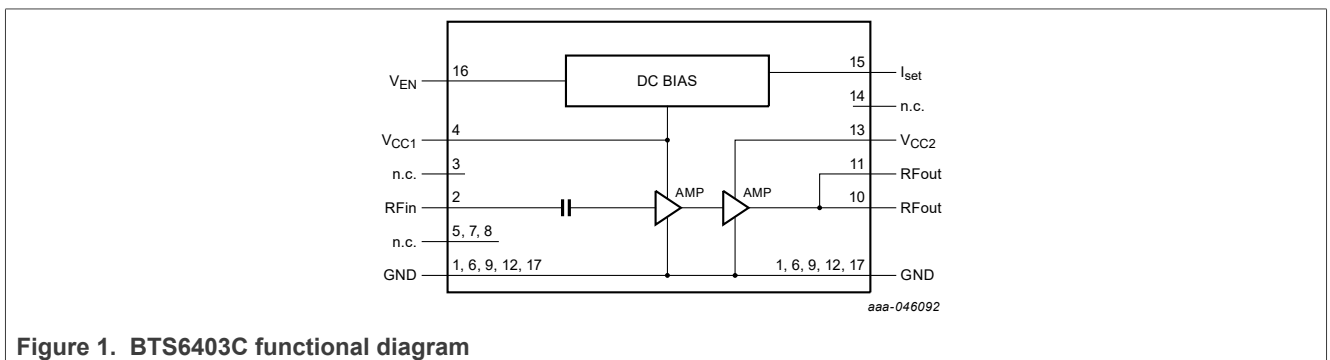
Type number	Orderable part number	Package		
		Name	Description	Version
BTS6403C	BTS6403CJ	HVQFN16	plastic thermal enhanced very thin quad flat package, no leads, 16 terminals, body 3 x 3 x 0.85 mm	SOT758-1

6 Marking

Table 3. Marking

Type number	Marking code
BTS6403C	43C

7 Functional diagram



8 Pinning information

8.1 Pin diagram

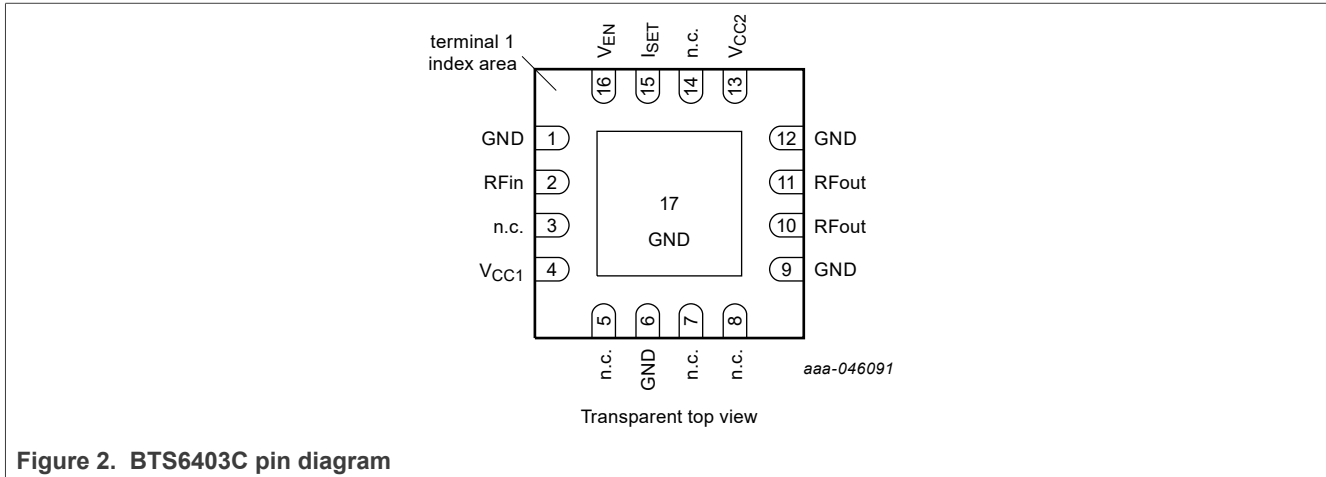


Figure 2. BTS6403C pin diagram

8.2 Pin description

Table 4. Pin description

Pin	Symbol	Description
1, 6, 9, 12, and 17	GND	PCB ground
2	RF _{in}	RF input
4	V _{CC1}	supply voltage
3, 5, 7, 8 and 14	n.c. ^[1]	not connected
10 and 11	RF _{out}	RF output
13	V _{CC2}	supply voltage
15	I _{set}	Current set; connect to an external resistor
16	V _{EN}	voltage enable; LOW = OFF state; HIGH = ON state

[1] n.c. Means that pin is not connected inside package, and may be left floating in the application.

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Table 5. Shutdown control

V _{EN}	voltage applied at pin V _{EN} ^[1]	State	Condition
LOW	$0 < V(V_{EN}) < V_{IL(max)}$	OFF	bias active, amplifier not active
HIGH	$V_{IH(min)} < V(V_{EN}) < V_{I(max)}$	ON	bias active, amplifier active

[1] V_{EN} can only be made HIGH, after supply voltage has been applied to pin V_{CC1}.

10 Limiting values

In accordance with the Absolute Maximum Rating System (IEC 60134).

Table 6. Limiting values

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Max	Unit
V _{CC}	supply voltage		-0.3	6	V
V _{EN}	enable voltage		-0.3	4	V
P _{i(RF)CW}	continuous waveform RF input power	ON state, OFF state	-	10	dBm
T _{stg}	storage temperature		-50	150	°C
T _j	junction temperature		-	175	°C
V _{ESD}	electrostatic discharge voltage	Human Body Model (HBM) According to ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC standard JS-001	-	+/-2	kV
		Charged Device Model (CDM); According to ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC standard JS-002	-	+/-500	V

11 Recommended operating conditions

Table 7. Recommended operating conditions

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
V _{CC}	supply voltage	^[1]	4.75	5	5.25	V
V _{IL}	LOW-level input voltage		0	-	0.6	V
V _{IH}	HIGH-level input voltage		1.2	-	3.6	V
V _{I(max)}	maximum input voltage		-	-	3.6	V
Z ₀	characteristic impedance		-	50	-	Ω
T _{case}	Case temperature		-40		120	°C

[1] Supply voltage at V_{CC1} must be applied before, or at the same time as applying supply voltage to pin V_{CC2}.

12 Thermal characteristics

Table 8. Thermal characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Typ	Unit
$R_{th(j-case)}$	junction to case thermal resistance	[1] [2]	50	K/W

[1] case is ground solder pad

[2] thermal resistance determined with device mounted, and device bottom case kept at constant temperature

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Table 9. Characteristics

Unless otherwise specified, the following settings are used for measurements: $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$; $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$; input $50\ \Omega$ and output $50\ \Omega$; $RSET = 10\text{ k}\Omega$

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
I_{CC}	supply current	ON state, $P_o = 15\text{ dBm}$, $f = 4.4\text{ GHz}$	-	120	150	mA
		ON state, quiescent	-	100	125	mA
		OFF state	-	1.2	2.5	mA
G_p	power gain	ON state				
		$f = 4.4\text{ GHz}$	33	35.5	38	dB
		$f = 5\text{ GHz}$	31.5	34	36.5	dB
		OFF state	-	-49.0	-	dB
G_{flat}	gain flatness	$f = 4.4\text{ GHz to }4.6\text{ GHz}$	-	0.5	-	dB
		$f = 4.6\text{ GHz to }4.8\text{ GHz}$	-	0.6	-	dB
		$f = 4.8\text{ GHz to }5\text{ GHz}$	-	0.8	-	dB
$t_{d(grp)}$	group delay time	$f = 4.4\text{ GHz to }4.7\text{ GHz}$	-	0.4	-	ns
		$f = 4.7\text{ GHz to }5\text{ GHz}$	-	0.4	-	ns
$P_{o(sat)}$	saturated output power	$f = 4.4\text{ GHz}$ [1]	-	28.0	-	dBm
		$f = 5\text{ GHz}$ [1]	-	27.5	-	dBm
$P_{L(1dB)}$	output power at 1 dB gain compression	$f = 4.4\text{ GHz}$	-	27.5	-	dBm
		$f = 5\text{ GHz}$	-	26.5	-	dBm
$IP3_o$	output third-order intercept point	2-tone; tone spacing = 100 MHz; $P_o = 15\text{ dBm}$, $f = 4.4\text{ GHz}$	-	33	-	dBm
RL_i	input return loss	$f = 4.4\text{ GHz}$	10	12	-	dB
		$f = 5\text{ GHz}$	7	9	-	dB
RL_o	output return loss	$f = 4.4\text{ GHz}$	10	15	-	dB
		$f = 5\text{ GHz}$	10	21	-	dB
ISL_r	reverse isolation		-	50	-	dB
NF	noise figure	$f = 4.4\text{ GHz}$ [2]	-	4.9	-	dB
		$f = 5\text{ GHz}$ [2]	-	5.1	-	dB
$t_{s(pon)}$	power-on settling time	V_{EN} from LOW to HIGH to gain settled within 0.1 dB of final value and phase settled to within 1 degree of final value	-	0.7	0.8	μs

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Table 9. Characteristics...continued

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Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
$t_{s(poff)}$	power-off settling time	V_{EN} from HIGH to LOW to gain settled to be $< 5\%$ of gain in ON state	-	0.05	0.1	μs
K	Rollett stability factor	1 MHz to 15 GHz	1.8	-	-	
ACLR	adjacent channel leakage ratio	CP-OFDM with 100 MHz channel BW, QPSK modulation, and 60 kHz SCS, fully allocated, $P_o = 15\ \text{dBm}$	-	-42.0	-	dBc

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- [2] Connector and Printed-Circuit Board (PCB) losses have been de-embedded.

14 Graphs

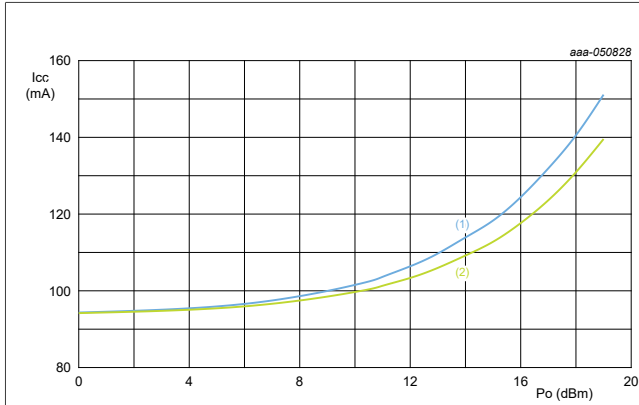


Figure 3. I_{CC} versus P_{out} over frequency at $25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (1) $f = 4.4\ \text{GHz}$
 (2) $f = 5\ \text{GHz}$

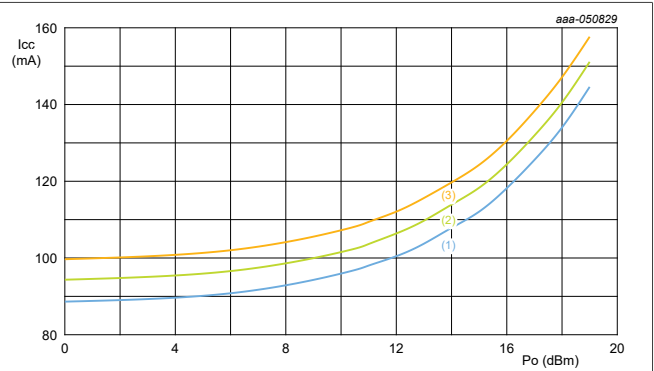


Figure 4. I_{CC} versus P_{out} over temperature at $3.5\ \text{GHz}$
 (1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (2) $T_{case} = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{case} = 115\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

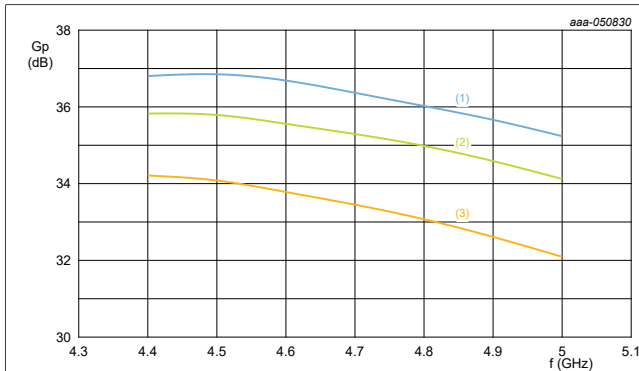


Figure 5. Gain versus frequency over temperature
 (1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (2) $T_{case} = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{case} = 115\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

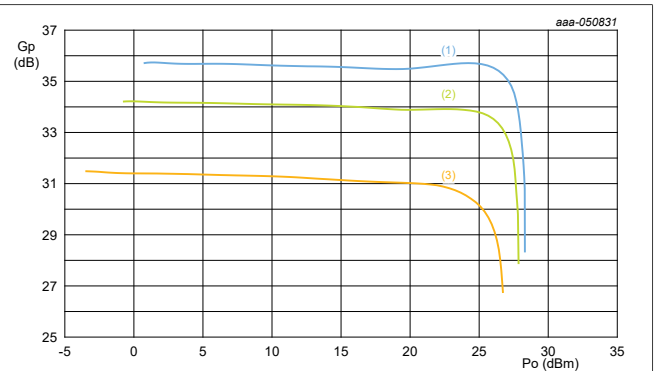


Figure 6. Gain versus P_{out} over temperature at $4.4\ \text{GHz}$
 (1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (2) $T_{case} = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 (3) $T_{case} = 115\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

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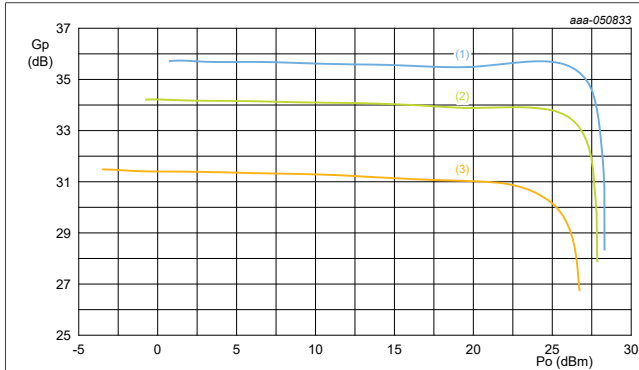


Figure 7. Gain versus P_{out} over temperature at 5 GHz

- (1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ °C}$
- (2) $T_{case} = 25\text{ °C}$
- (3) $T_{case} = 115\text{ °C}$

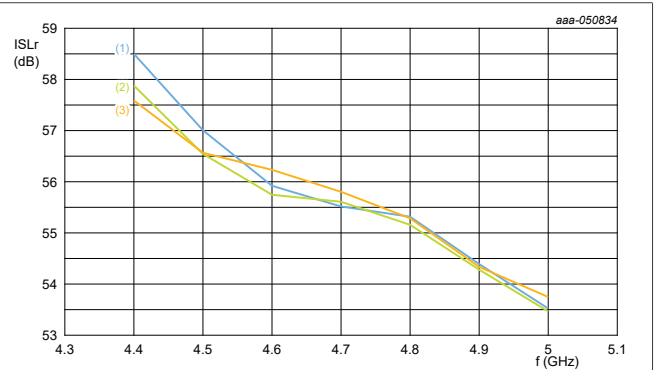


Figure 8. Isolation versus frequency over temperature

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- (2) $T_{case} = 25\text{ °C}$
- (3) $T_{case} = 115\text{ °C}$

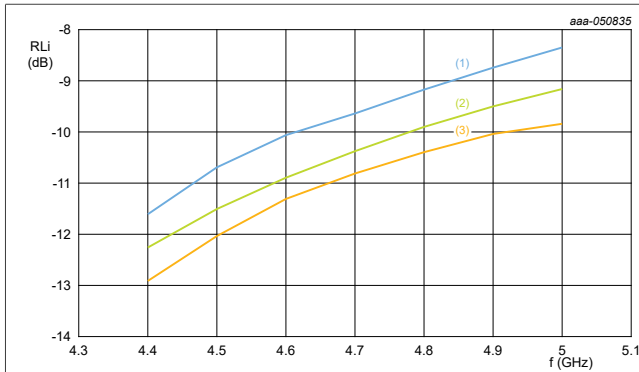


Figure 9. $RL_i S_{11}$ over temperature

- (1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ °C}$
- (2) $T_{case} = 25\text{ °C}$
- (3) $T_{case} = 115\text{ °C}$

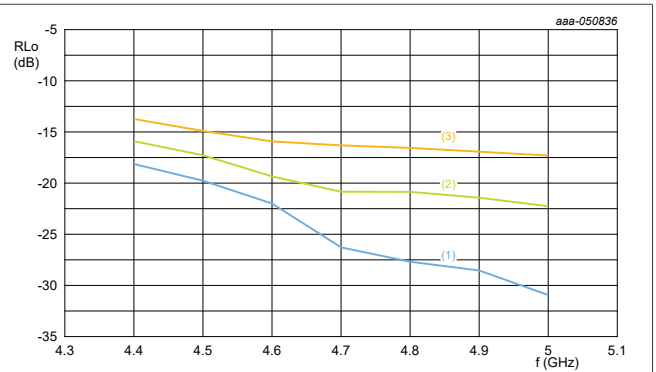


Figure 10. $RL_o S_{22}$ over temperature

- (1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ °C}$
- (2) $T_{case} = 25\text{ °C}$
- (3) $T_{case} = 115\text{ °C}$

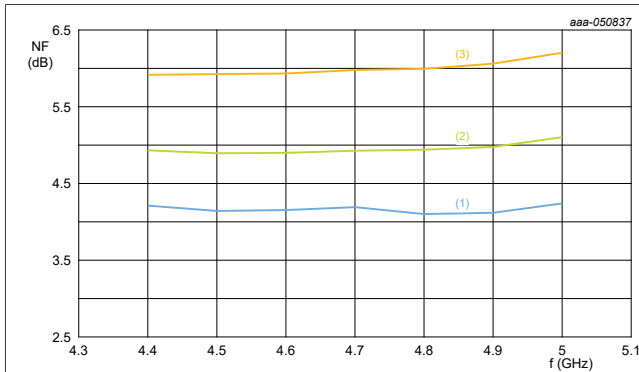


Figure 11. NF versus frequency over temperature

- (1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ °C}$
- (2) $T_{case} = 25\text{ °C}$
- (3) $T_{case} = 115\text{ °C}$

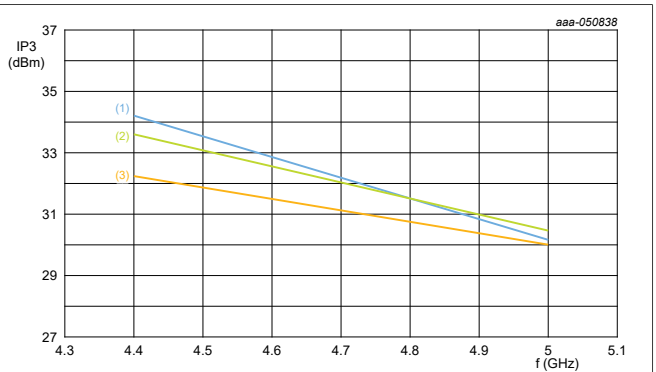


Figure 12. IP_3 versus frequency over temperature

- (1) $T_{case} = -40\text{ °C}$
- (2) $T_{case} = 25\text{ °C}$
- (3) $T_{case} = 115\text{ °C}$

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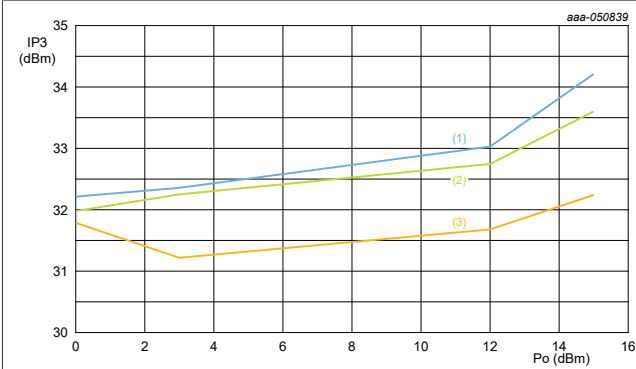


Figure 13. IP3 versus P_{out} over temperature at 4.4 GHz
 (1) T_{case} = -40 °C
 (2) T_{case} = 25 °C
 (3) T_{case} = 115 °C

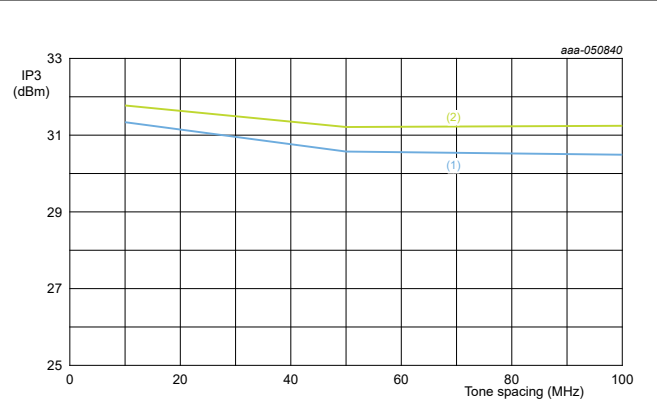


Figure 14. IP3 versus tone spacing over P_{out}
 (1) P_o = 3 dBm
 (2) p_o = 15 dBm

15 Application information

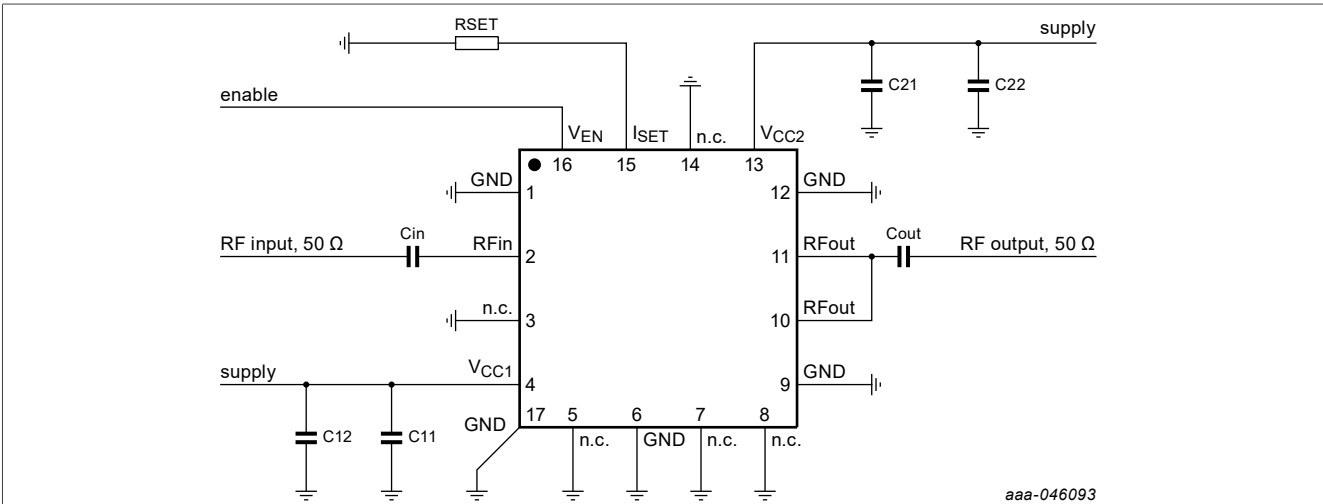


Figure 15. BTS6403C application diagram

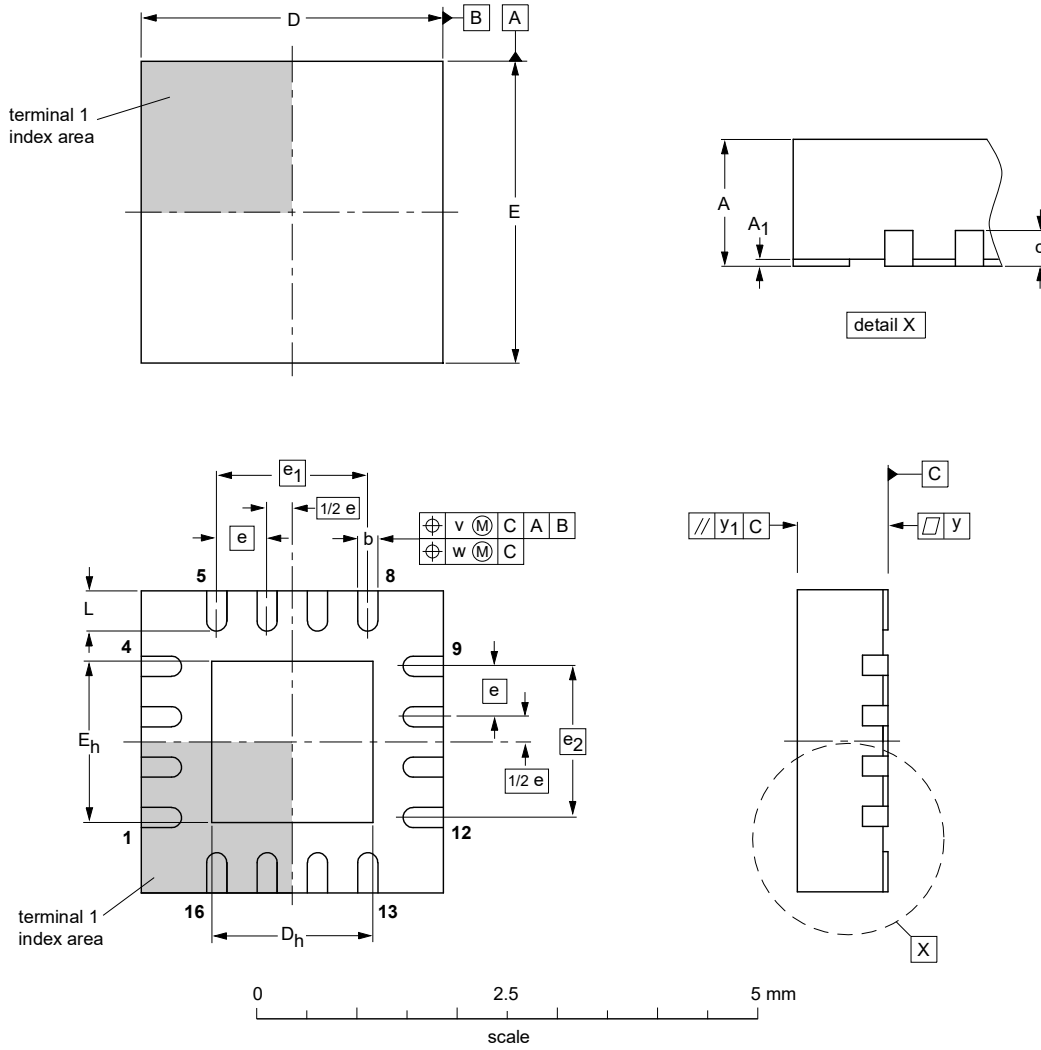
Table 10. List of components

Component	Description	Value	Remarks
Cin	capacitor	18 pF	in a 50 Ω PCB track
Cout	capacitor	3.9 pF	in a 50 Ω PCB track
C11, and C21	capacitor	10 nF	recommended
C12, and C22	capacitor	10 μF	optional
RSET	resistor	10kΩ	default

16 Package outline

HVQFN16: plastic thermal enhanced very thin quad flat package; no leads;
16 terminals; body 3 x 3 x 0.85 mm

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DIMENSIONS (mm are the original dimensions)

UNIT	A ⁽¹⁾ max.	A ₁	b	c	D ⁽¹⁾	D _h	E ⁽¹⁾	E _h	e	e ₁	e ₂	L	v	w	y	y ₁
mm	1	0.05 0.00	0.30 0.18	0.2	3.1 2.9	1.75 1.45	3.1 2.9	1.75 1.45	0.5	1.5	1.5	0.5 0.3	0.1	0.05	0.05	0.1

Note

1. Plastic or metal protrusions of 0.075 mm maximum per side are not included.

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	IEC	JEDEC	JEITA		
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Figure 16. Package outline SOT758-1 (HVQFN16)

16.1 Footprint and solder information

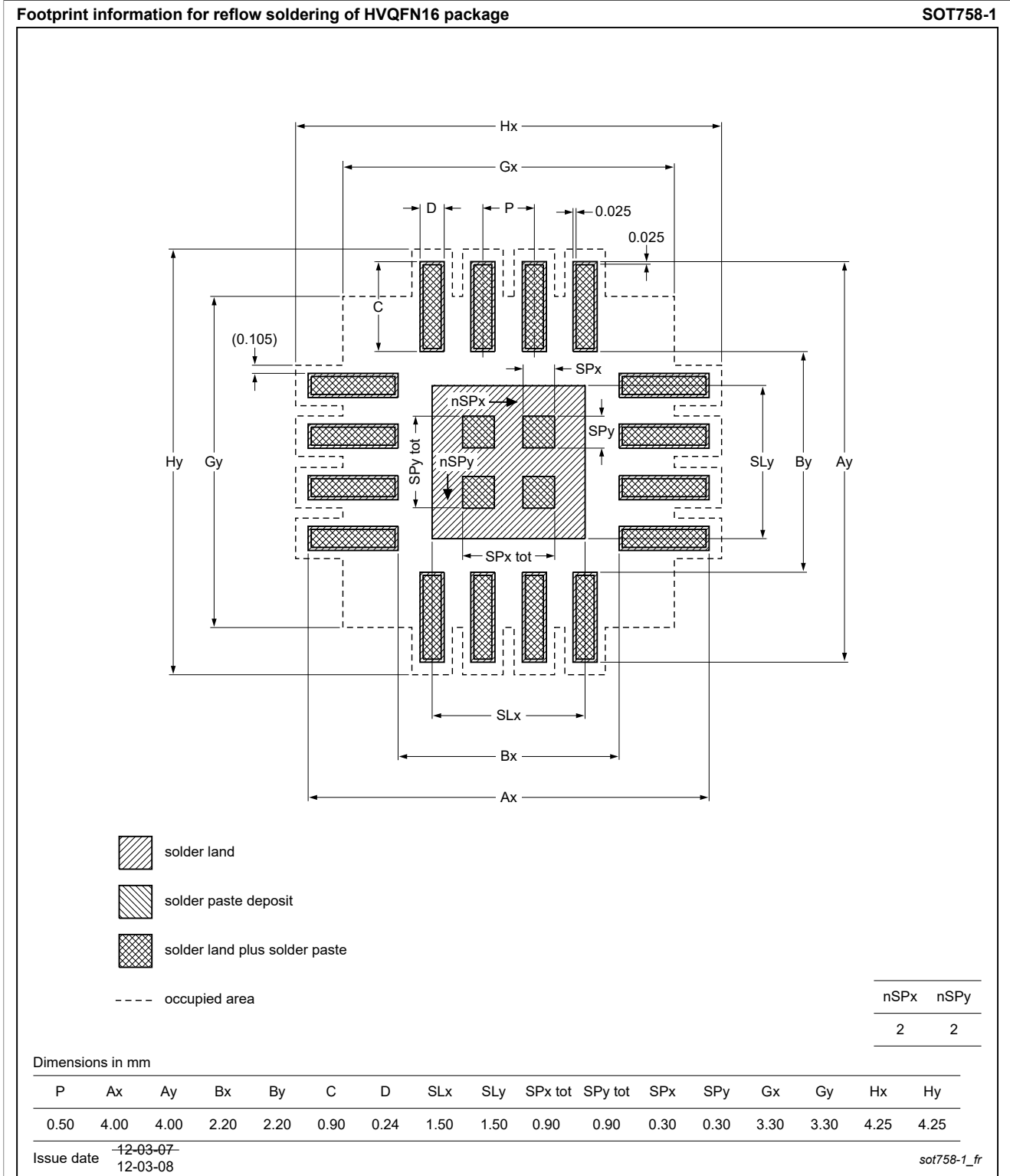


Figure 17. Footprint information

17 Handling information

CAUTION



This device is sensitive to ElectroStatic Discharge (ESD). Observe precautions for handling electrostatic sensitive devices. Such precautions are described in the *ANSI/ESD S20.20*, *IEC/ST 61340-5*, *JESD625-A* or equivalent standards.

18 Abbreviations

Table 11. Abbreviations

Acronym	Description
5G NR	fifth generation new radio
ACLR	adjacent channel leakage ratio
CP-OFDM	cyclic prefix orthogonal frequency division multiplexing
CMMR	common mode rejection ratio
ESD	electrostatic discharge
mMIMO	massive multiple-input multiple-output
PA	power amplifier
RF	radio frequency
TDD	time-division duplexing

19 Revision history

Table 12. Revision history

Document ID	Release date	Data sheet status	Change notice	Supersedes
BTS6403C v.5	20230615	Product data sheet	-	BTS6403C v.4
modification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changed max case temperature from 115°C to 120°C 			
BTS6403C v.4	20230323	Product data sheet	-	BTS6403C v.3
modification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> updated table 1 quick reference data updated table 9 characteristics 			

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