## Evaluating the ADMV7310 E-Band Upconverter SIP, 71 GHz to 76 GHz

## FEATURES

Simple power-up with on-board LDO regulators Gain tuning and devices bias adjustment with potentiometers Option to bypass LDO regulators with connector jumpers

## EVALUATION KIT CONTENTS

ADMV7310-EVALZ
Connector jumpers

## EQUIPMENT NEEDED

5 V and -5 V dc power supplies
Baseband signal generator
RF signal generator
E-band spectrum analyzer
WR-12 waveguide

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The ADMV7310-EVALZ evaluation board incorporates the ADMV7310 with low dropout (LDO) regulators, potentiometers, and a waveguide back plate to allow quick and easy evaluation of the ADMV7310. The LDO regulators allow the ADMV7310 to be powered on by $\pm 5 \mathrm{~V}$ supplies. Potentiometers allow gate tuning for various gain ranges.
The ADMV7310 is a fully integrated system in package (SiP) in phase/quadrature (I/Q) upconverter that operates at an

Figure 1.

intermediate frequency (IF) input range of dc to 2 GHz and a radio frequency (RF) output range of 71 GHz to 76 GHz .
The ADMV7310 data sheet, available at www.analog.com, provides full specifications for the ADMV7310. Consult the ADMV7310 data sheet in conjunction with this user guide when using the evaluation board.

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## REVISION HISTORY

11/2019—Revision A: Initial Version

## EVALUATION BOARD SETUP

QUICK START PROCEDURE
The ADMV7310-EVALZ evaluation board is equipped with LDO regulators to provide biases for all drains and gates. Only +5 V dc and -5 V dc power supplies are needed to power up the chip. Note that the ADMV7310-EVALZ board is tuned in factory to achieve a typical current level. To ensure that damage does not occur, use the following sequence to power up:

1. Place jumpers on all pins of J 3 .
2. Place jumpers on all pins for J 1 except $\operatorname{Pin} 1$ and Pin 2.
3. Connect a -5 V dc power supply to the N 5 V test point and ground to the nearest GND test point.
4. Connect the 5 V dc power supply to the P 5 V test point.
5. Turn on the -5 V dc supply, then the 5 V dc supply.
6. Place jumpers on Pin 1 and Pin 2 of J1.
7. Connect VCTRL to -5 V dc for maximum gain.
8. Adjust the dc voltages between -0.2 V and +0.2 V to the TXBB_IN, TXBB_IP, TXBB_QN, and TXBB_QP ports for LO nulling.
To power down the chip, use the following sequence:
9. Disconnect the -5 V dc supply on VCTRL.
10. Turn off the 5 V dc supply.
11. Turn off -5 V dc supply.


## GAIN TUNING PROCEDURE

Table 1. Gain Tuning Summary

| Gain Tuning Order | Gain Reduction Range (dB) | Gain Tuning | Recommended Gain Tuning Voltage Range (V) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 | 0 to 10 | VGA_VCTL12 | -5 to -1 |
| 2 | 10 to 25 | VGA_VG345 and VGA_VG6 | -2 to 0 |
| 3 | 25 to 40 | PA_VG1 | -2 to 0 |

There are three steps to control the total gain of the transmitter (follow the gain tuning order in Table 1 to achieve the correct gain level for optimal performance).

## Step 1: VGA_VCTL12 Tuning

The VGA_VCTL12 pin is tied to the VCTRL test point. To achieve maximum gain, set the VCTRL test point to -5 V dc. To achieve a gain reduction between 0 dB and 10 dB , adjust the VCTRL test point voltage between -5 V and -1 V (typical minimum gain for the variable gain amplifier).

## Step 2: VGA_VG345 and VGA_VG6 Tuning

If further gain reduction is needed after conducting Step 1, lower the third to sixth variable gain amplifier drain current levels, IVGA_VD345 and IVGA_VD6, by adjusting VGA_VG345 and VGA_VG6 together, between -2 V and 0 V , to achieve the correct gain level. The total current consumption of IVGA_VD345 and $I_{\text {VGA_VDG }}$ can drop to 25 mA .
To tune VGA_VG345 and VGA_VG6 on the ADMV7310EVALZ, use the following sequence:

1. Power down the chip by turning off the 5 V dc supply and then turning off the -5 V dc supply.
2. The R36 potentiometer tunes VGA_VG345 and VGA_VG6. Place an ampere meter between Pin 9 and Pin 10 on J1 to

3. Power up the chip by turning on the -5 V dc supply and then turning on the 5 V dc supply.
4. Adjust the R36 resistor to tune VGA_VG345 and VGA_VG6. The total current of Ivga_vd345 and Ivga_vd6 must not drop below 25 mA .

## Step 3: PA_VG1 Tuning

If further gain reduction is needed after conducting Step 1 and Step 2, lower the drain current level of the first power amplifier, IPA_VD1, by adjusting PA_VG1 between -2 V and 0 V to achieve the correct gain level. The current consumption of $\mathrm{I}_{\text {PA_VDI }}$ can drop to 80 mA .

To tune PA_VG1 on the ADMV7310-EVALZ, use the following sequence:

1. Power down the chip by turning off the 5 V dc supply and then turning off the -5 V dc supply.
2. The R47 potentiometer tunes the PA_VG1 pin. Place an ampere meter between Pin 3 and Pin 4 on J1 to monitor the current of PA_VD1.
3. Power up the chip by turning on the -5 V dc supply and then turning on the 5 V dc supply.
4. Adjust the R47 to tune PA_VG1. The PA_VD1 current must not drop below 80 mA for Power Amplifier 1 (PA1) tuning.

## EVALUATION BOARD SCHEMATICS



Figure 3. ADMV7310-EVALZ Schematic
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Figure 4. ADMV7310-EVALZ Drain Supplies



## ORDERING INFORMATION

## BILL OF MATERIALS

Table 2. Bill of Materials

| Qty | Designators | Description | Part Number |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 16 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C1, C2, C3, C4, C5, C6, C7, C10, C11, C13, C14, } \\ & \text { C15, C16, C17, C18, C19 } \end{aligned}$ | Tantalum capacitor, $4.7 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | TAJA475K020RNJ |
| 8 | C12, C22, C23, C24, C31, C32, C33, C34 | Capacitors, ceramic, X7R, automotive grade, 1 nF | CGA2B2X7R1H102K050BA |
| 12 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C9, C20, C21, C25, C26, C27, C29, C30, C36, } \\ & \text { C37, C38, C52 } \end{aligned}$ | Capacitors, ceramic, X5R, general-purpose, $4.7 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | GRM155R60J475ME87D |
| 16 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { C8, C28, C35, C39, C40, C41, C42, C43, C44, } \\ & \text { C45, C46, C47, C48, C49, C50, C51 } \end{aligned}$ | Capacitors, ceramic, $2.2 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | C1005X5ROJ225K050BC |
| 2 | C53, C54 | Capacitors, ceramic, NPO, high frequency, high Q, 3 pF | GJM1555C1H3R0BB01B |
| 2 | DET1_OUT, DET2_OUT | Test point | TP104-01-05 |
| 4 | DET1_REF, DET2_REF, VCTRL, VD_AMP_TX | Test point | TP-104-01-09 |
| 4 | GND, GND2, GND3, GND4 | Test point | TP-104-01-00 |
| 2 | J1, J3 | Connector header | A3-16PA-2SV(71) |
| 1 | LO_TX | End launch connector | 25-146-1000-92 |
| 2 | N5V, P5V | Test point | TP-104-01-02 |
| 7 | R1, R7, R11, R13, R15, R17, R39 | Resistor, high stability, flat chip, $4.99 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | TNPW04024K99BEED |
| 1 | R10 | Resistor, precision, thick film chip, $150 \Omega$ | ERJ-2RKF1500X |
| 8 | R12, R20, R22, R24, R26, R28, R42, R44 | Resistor, precision, thick film chip, $20 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | ERJ-2RKF2002X |
| 6 | R2, R8, R14, R16, R18, R40 | Resistor, precision, thick film, $2.15 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | ERJ-2RKF2151X |
| 7 | R19, R21, R23, R25, R27, R41, R43 | Resistor, precision, thick film chip, $499 \Omega$ | ERJ-2RKF4990X |
| 1 | R29 | Resistor, $14 \Omega$ | TFCR0402-16W-E-14RODT |
| 4 | R3, R4, R5, R6 | Resistor, precision, thick film chip, $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | ERJ-2RKF1003X |
| 6 | R30, R31, R32, R33, R45, R46 | Resistor, precision, thick film chip, $100 \Omega$ | ERJ-2RKF1000X |
| 1 | R34 | Resistor, precision, thick film chip, $43 \Omega$ | ERJ-2RKF43R0X |
| 5 | R35, R36, R37, R47, R48 | Resistor, Potentiometer, $500 \Omega$ | SM-42TW501CT-ND |
| 1 | R38 | Resistor, precision, thick film chip, $475 \Omega$ | ERJ-2RKF4750X |
| 1 | R9 | Resistor, precision, thick film chip, $3.48 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | ERJ-2RKF3481X |
| 5 | TXBB_IN,TXBB_IP,TXBB_QN,TXBB_QP, TX_ENVDET | SMA end launch connector | 142-0701-851 |
| 1 | U1 | IC Analog Devices, Inc., E-band upconverter system in package (SiP), 71 GHz to 76 GHz | ADMV7310 |
| 7 | U6, U7, U8, U9, U10, U14, U15 | IC Analog Devices, Inc., low noise regulator | ADP7182ACPZ-R7 |
| 6 | U2, U3, U4, U5, U11, U13 | IC Analog Devices low noise regulator | ADM7172ACPZ-R7 |
| 1 | U12 | IC Analog Devices low noise regulator | ADP7118ACPZN |

## ESD Caution

ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device. Charged devices and circuit boards can discharge without detection. Although this product features patented or proprietary protection circuitry, damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy ESD. Therefore, proper ESD precautions should be taken to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

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