

Description

Built upon six generations of field-proven TV tuner technology, the Si2124 is Silicon Labs' first digital set-top box (STB) tuner designed specifically for digital terrestrial STB applications. Like the previous generations of Silicon Labs' digital TV tuners, the Si2124 maintains very high linearity and low phase noise to deliver superior picture quality compared to competing silicon tuners.

Available in an industry-leading 3x3 mm QFN package, the Si2124 delivers the lowest-cost, most design-friendly and area-efficient digital terrestrial STB solution available today. A fully-integrated RF front-end eliminates the need for an external balun, LNAs, SAW filters, and inductive power supply filtering. Also included is a fully-integrated loop-through function with a zero-power mode switch (ZPS) for additional board area and BOM savings. An on-chip 1.8 V LDO enables single-supply operation, while a dual-supply option offers additional system flexibility. The Si2124's excellent immunity to LTE interference and harmonic rejection mixer with outstanding immunity to Wi-Fi interference eliminate the need for external filtering.

For advanced digital broadcast standards with high-order constellations, such as DVB-T2, the Si2124's superior integrated phase noise delivers industry-leading reception performance.

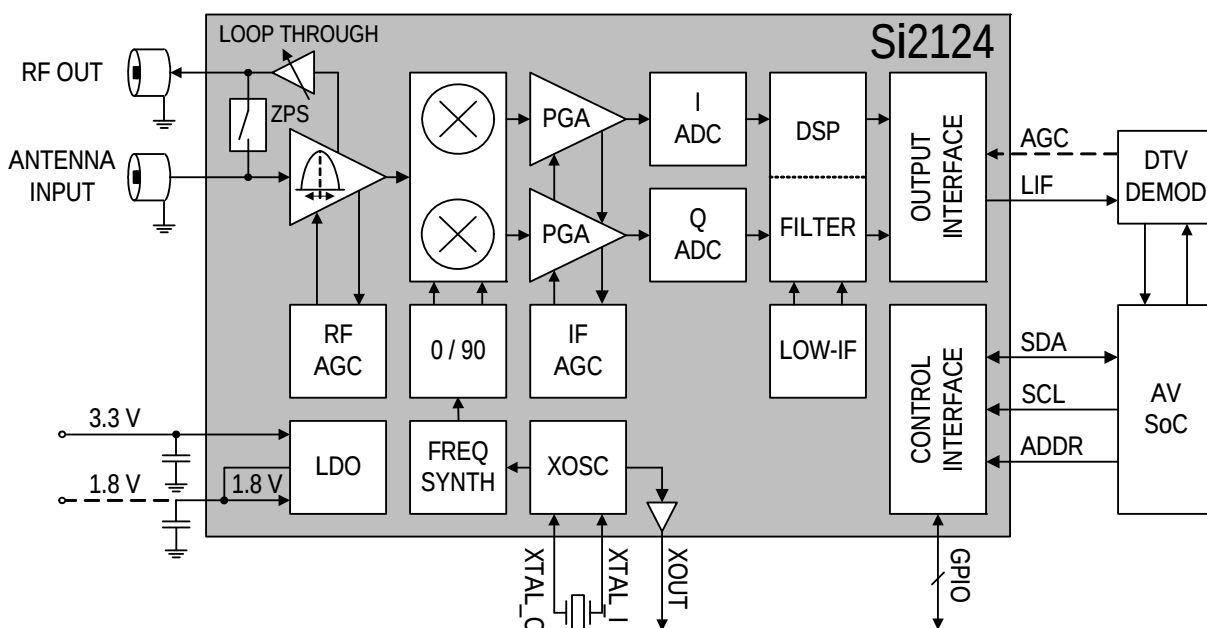
The Si2124 delivers a higher number of received stations compared to other silicon tuners. Incorporating worldwide field experience from prior generations of digital tuners in mass production, the Si2124 delivers the highest tolerance to real-world reception conditions.

Features

- Digital terrestrial STB tuner
 - ATSC, DVB-T2/T, ISDB-T
 - 1.7 MHz, 6 MHz, 7 MHz, 8 MHz, and 10 MHz channel bandwidths
- Conforms to Nordig, DTG, and ARIB
- Lowest BOM for a digital terrestrial STB tuner
 - No balun, SAW filters, or wire-wound inductors
 - Integrated loop-through with zero-power mode
 - Integrated LNAs and complete tracking filters
- Best-in-class real-world reception
 - Industry-leading phase noise performance
 - High immunity to Wi-Fi and LTE interference
- Low power consumption
 - 3.3 V and 1.8 V power supplies
 - Integrated 1.8 V LDO for 3.3 V single-supply operation
- Single Low-IF (LIF) output to SoC and/or demodulator
- Standard CMOS process technology
- Smallest footprint for a silicon digital TV tuner
 - 3x3 mm, RoHS-compliant 24-pin QFN

Applications

- Digital tuner modules
- Digital terrestrial STB
- Digital PVR, DVD and Blu-Ray disc recorder



Selected Electrical Specifications

($V_{DDH} = 3.3\text{ V}$, $V_{DDL} = 1.8\text{ V}$, $T_A = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$)

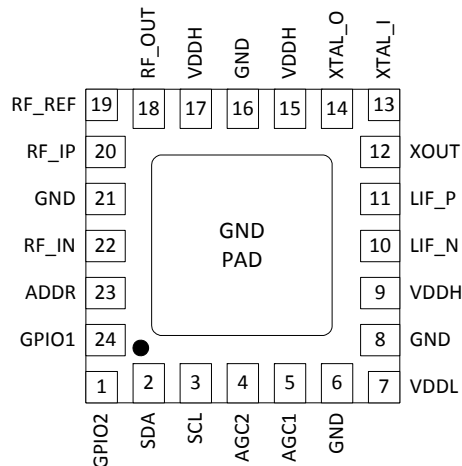
Parameter	Test Condition	Typ	Unit
Supply voltage		1.8 and 3.3, or only 3.3	V
Total Power Consumption	External 1.8 V supply, LT disabled	486	mW
RF Input Frequency Range		42 to 870	MHz
NF, Terrestrial Mode	VHF-L1 (42–106 MHz)	4.5	dB
	VHF-L2 (107–247 MHz)	2.4	dB
	VHF-H (248–470 MHz)	3.0	dB
	UHF (471–870 MHz)	4.0	dB
LO Phase Noise at 860 MHz	1 kHz 10 kHz 100 kHz 1 MHz	–100 –100 –105 –132	dBc/Hz
LO Integrated Phase Noise at 860 MHz	DSB: 125 Hz to 4 MHz	0.25 (–47)	$^{\circ}$ rms (dBc)
LIF Output Center Frequency	Channel BW = 6 MHz 7 MHz 8 MHz	4 to 7 4.5 to 6.5 5 to 6	MHz
LIF Differential Output Voltage	Programmable	0.5 to 2.0	V_{ppd}
Loop Through Output			
RF Frequency Range (LT only)		42 to 870	MHz
LT Output Return Loss (Active)		10	dB
LT Noise Figure (Active)	Max gain	6.7	dB
LT Gain	Active mode	2.2	dB
	Zero-power mode	–3.2	dB

***Note:** Includes all connector, PCB and front-end circuit losses at the F-connector input of the Si2124 EVB.

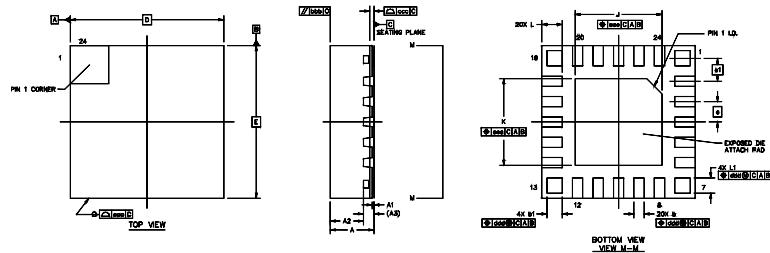
Selection Guide

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Pin Assignments



3x3 mm QFN-24 Package Information



Dimension	Min	Nom	Max	Unit
A	0.80	0.85	0.90	mm
D, E		3.00 BSC		mm
e		0.40 BSC		mm
e1		0.45 BSC		mm
J, K	1.60	1.70	1.80	mm