

**DESCRIPTION**

The LX5512E is a power amplifier optimized for WLAN applications in the 2.4-2.5 GHz frequency range. The PA is implemented as a three-stage monolithic microwave integrated circuit (MMIC) with active bias and input/output pre-matching. The device is manufactured with an InGaP/GaAs Heterojunction Bipolar Transistor (HBT) IC process (MOCVD). It operates at a single low voltage supply of 3.3V with 33 dB power gain between 2.4-2.5GHz, at a low quiescent current of 50 mA.

For 18dBm OFDM output power (64QAM, 54Mbps), the PA provides a low EVM (Error-Vector Magnitude) of 2 %, and consumes 120 mA total DC current.

The LX5512E is available in a 16-pin 3mmx3mm micro-lead package (MLP). The compact footprint, low profile, and excellent thermal capability of the MLP package makes the LX5512E an ideal solution for broadband, high-gain power amplifier requirements for IEEE 802.11b/g applications.

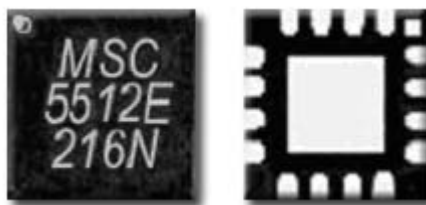
**KEY FEATURES**

- Advanced InGaP HBT
- 2.4-2.5GHz Operation
- Single-Polarity 3.3V Supply
- Low Quiescent Current I<sub>q</sub> ~50mA
- Power Gain ~ 33 dB at 2.45GHz & P<sub>out</sub>=18dBm
- Total Current 120 mA for P<sub>out</sub>=18 dBm at 2.45 GHz OFDM
- EVM ~2 % for 64QAM/ 54Mbps & P<sub>out</sub>=18dBm
- Small Footprint: 3x3mm<sup>2</sup>
- Low Profile: 0.9mm

**APPLICATIONS/BENEFITS**

- FCC U-N11 Wireless
- IEEE 802.11b/g

**IMPORTANT:** For the most current data, consult MICROSEMI's website: <http://www.microsemi.com>

**PRODUCT HIGHLIGHT**

**PACKAGE ORDER INFO**

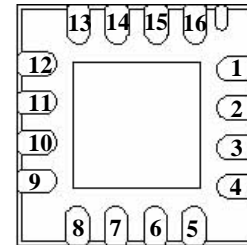
| T <sub>j</sub> (°C) | LQ | Plastic MLPQ<br>16-Pin |
|---------------------|----|------------------------|
| 0 to 70             |    | LX5512E-LQ             |

Note: Available in Tape & Reel.  
 Append the letter "T" to the part number.  
 (i.e. LX5512E-LQT)

**ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

|                                     |              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| DC Supply Voltage, RF off .....     | 5V           |
| Collector Current .....             | 400mA        |
| Total Power Dissipation.....        | 2W           |
| RF Input Power .....                | -5dBm        |
| Operation Ambient Temperature ..... | -40 to +85°C |
| Storage Temperature.....            | -60 to 150°C |

Note: Exceeding these ratings could cause damage to the device. All voltages are with respect to Ground. Currents are positive into, negative out of specified terminal.

**PACKAGE PIN OUT**


**LQ PACKAGE**  
(Bottom View)

**FUNCTIONAL PIN DESCRIPTION**

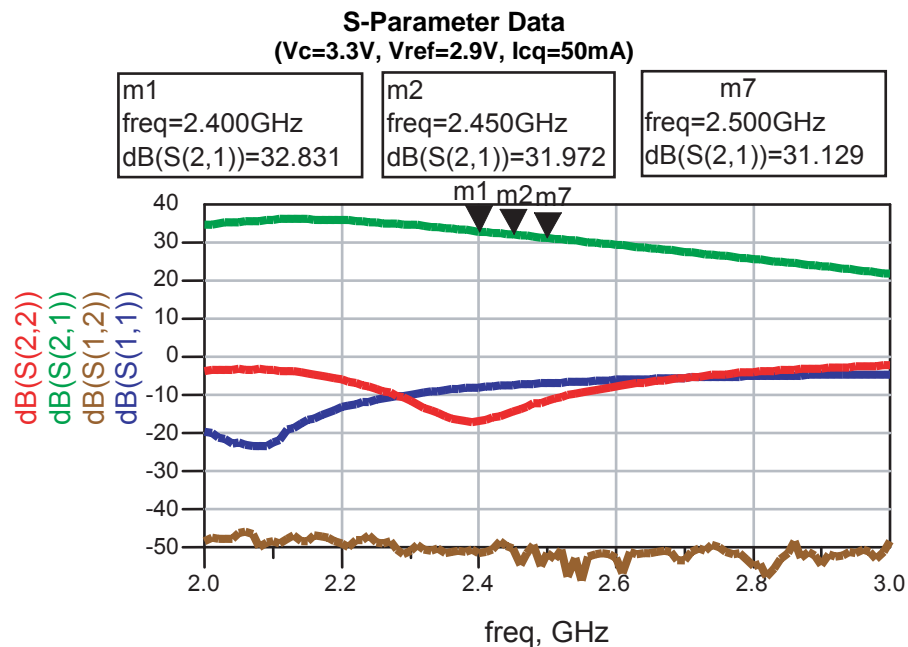
| Name   | Pin #        | Description   |
|--------|--------------|---|
| RF IN  | 2,3          | RF input for the power amplifier. This pin is AC-coupled to the transistor base of the first stage.   |
| VB1    | 4            | Bias current control voltage for the first stage.   |
| VB2    | 6            | Bias current control voltage for the second stage.  |
| VB3    | 7            | Bias current control voltage for the third stage. The VB3 pin can be connected with the first and second stage control voltage (VB1,VB2) into a single reference voltage (referred to as Vref) through an external resistor bridge.                                     |
| VCC    | 5            | Supply voltage for the bias reference and control circuits. The VCC feed line should be terminated with a 10 nF bypass capacitor close to connector pin. This pin can be combined with VC1, VC2 and VC3 pins, resulting in a single supply voltage (referred to as Vc). |
| RF OUT | 10, 11       | RF output for the power amplifier. This pin is DC-decoupled from the transistor collector of the third stage.   |
| VC1    | 16           | Power supply for first stage amplifier. The VC1 feedline should be terminated with a 120pF bypass capacitor, followed by a 10 Ohm resistor. This pin can be combined with VC2,VC3 and VCC pins, resulting in a single supply voltage (referred to as Vc).               |
| VC2    | 14           | Power supply for second stage amplifier. The VC2 feedline should be terminated with a 47 pF bypass capacitor, followed by a 5 Ohm resistor. This pin can be combined with VC1,VC3 and VCC pins, resulting in a single supply voltage (referred to as Vc).               |
| VC3    | 12           | Power supply for the third stage amplifier. The VC3 feedline should be terminated with a 120 pF bypass capacitor. This pin can be combined with VC1,VC2 and VCC pins, resulting in a single supply voltage (referred to as Vc).   |
| REF    | 8            | Power detector reference output pin should be terminated with a 100 kOhm loading resistor   |
| DET    | 9            | Power detector output pin should be terminated with a 100 kOhm loading resistor   |
| GND    | Center Metal | The center metal base of the MLP package provides both DC and RF ground as well as heat sink for the power amplifier.   |

**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

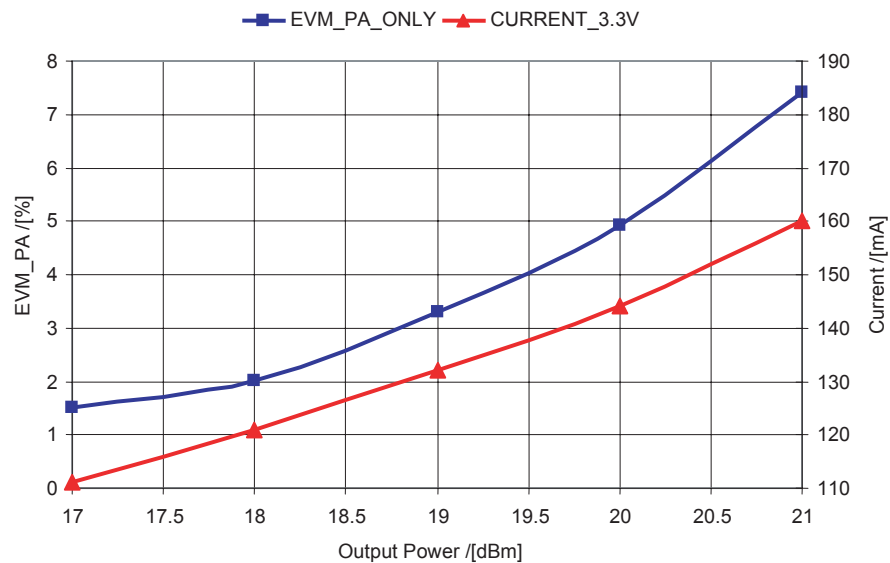
Unless otherwise specified, the following specifications apply over the following test conditions:  $V_{CC} = 3.3V$ ,  $V_{ref} = 2.9V$ ,  $I_{CQ} = 50mA$ ,  $T_A = 25^\circ C$

| Parameter                          | Symbol          | Test Conditions / Comment | LX5512E |            |     | Units |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------|------------|-----|-------|
|                                    |                 |                           | Min     | Typ        | Max |       |
| Frequency Range                    | f               |                           | 2.4     |            | 2.5 | GHz   |
| Power Gain at $P_{out} = 18dBm$    | $G_p$           |                           |         | 33         |     | dB    |
| EVM at $P_{out} = 18dBm$           |                 | 64QAM / 54Mbps            |         | 2.0        |     | %     |
| Total Current at $P_{out} = 18dBm$ | $I_{C\_total}$  | 64QAM / 54Mbps            |         | 120        |     | mA    |
| Quiescent Current                  | $I_{CQ}$        |                           |         | 50         |     | mA    |
| Bias Control Reference Current     | $I_{ref}$       | For $I_{CQ} = 50mA$       |         | 1.6        |     | mA    |
| Small – Signal Gain                | S21             |                           |         | 32         |     | dB    |
| Gain Flatness                      | $\Delta S_{21}$ | Over 100MHz               |         | $\pm 0.75$ |     | dB    |
| Gain Variation Over Temperature    | $\Delta S_{21}$ | -40 to +85°C              |         | TBD        |     | dB    |
| Input Return Loss                  | S11             |                           |         | 8          |     | dB    |
| Output Return Loss                 | S22             |                           | 10      |            |     | dB    |
| Reverse Isolation                  | S12             |                           |         | -50        |     | dB    |
| Second Harmonic                    |                 | $P_{out} = 18dBm$         |         | -40        |     | dBc   |
| Third Harmonic                     |                 | $P_{out} = 18dBm$         |         | -40        |     | dBc   |
| Total Current at $P_{out} = 23dBm$ |                 | 11Mbps CCK                |         | 210        |     | mA    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> side lobe at 23dBm |                 | 11Mbps CCK                |         | -54        |     | dBc   |
| Ramp-On Time                       | $t_{ON}$        | 10 ~ 90%                  |         | TBD        |     | ns    |
| Differential Detector Response     |                 | 18dBm OFDM                |         | 1.4        |     | V     |

Note: All measured data was obtained on a 10 mil GETEK evaluation board without heat sink.

**CHARACTERISTIC CURVES**

**EVM Data with 54 Mb/s 64 QAM OFDM**

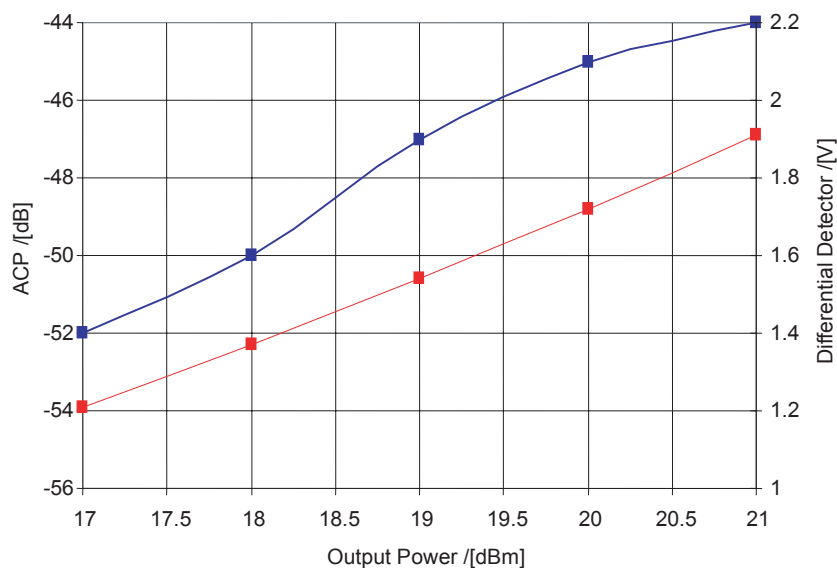
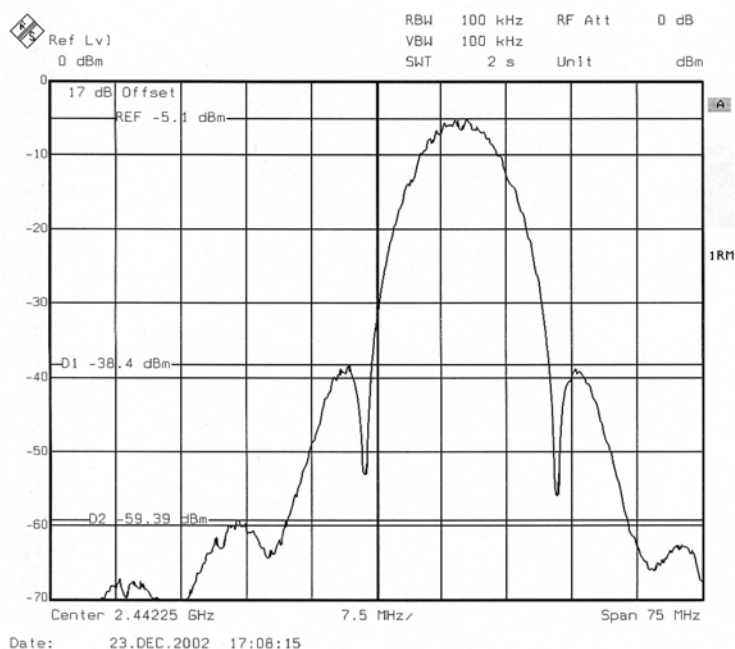
(Vc=3.3V, Vref=2.9V, Icq=50mA, freq=2.45 GHz)

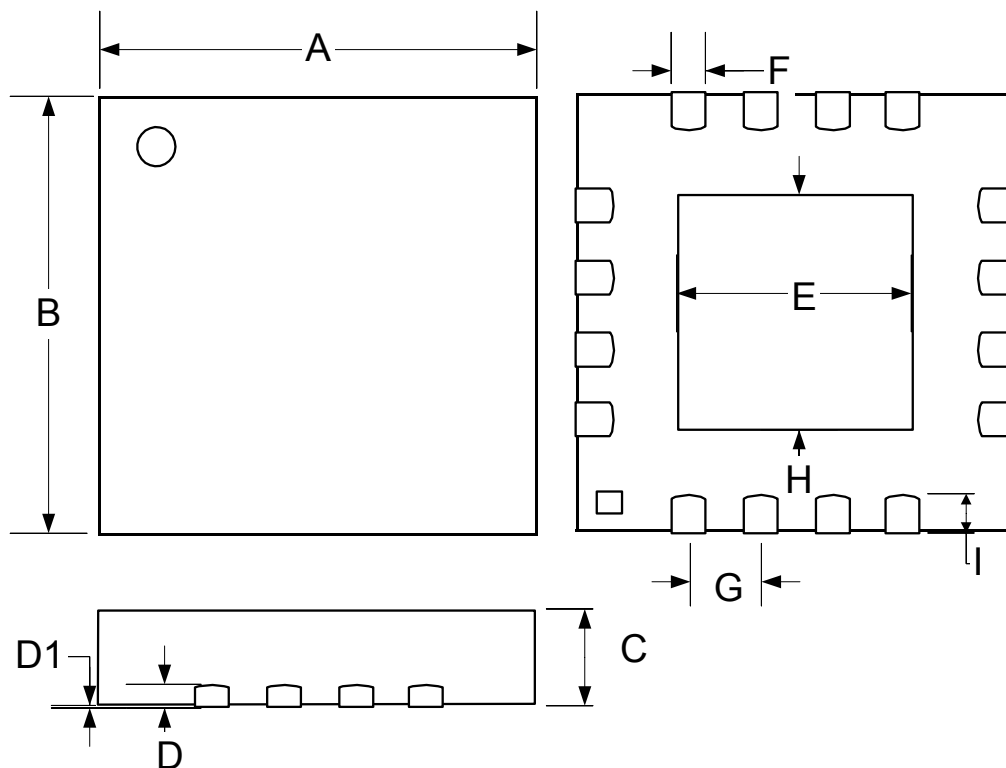


**CHARACTERISTIC CURVES**
**ACP and Diff. Detector Data with 54 Mb/s 64 QAM OFDM**

(Vc=3.3V, Vref=2.9V, Icq=50mA, freq=2.45 GHz)

— ACP\_30MHz — Detector\_100kOhm


**23 dBm Output @ 11 Mb/s CCK**  
 (Vc=3.3V, Vref=2.9V, Icq=50mA, freq=2.45 GHz)


**PACKAGE DIMENSIONS**
**LQ** 16-Pin MLPQ Plastic (3x3mm EP)


| Dim | MILLIMETERS |      | INCHES    |       |
|-----|-------------|------|-----------|-------|
|     | MIN         | MAX  | MIN       | MAX   |
| A   | 3.00 BSC    |      | 0.118 BSC |       |
| B   | 3.00 BSC    |      | 0.118 BSC |       |
| C   | 0.80        | 1.00 | 0.031     | 0.039 |
| D   | 0.18        | 0.30 | 0.007     | 0.011 |
| D1  | 0           | 0.05 | 0         | 0.002 |
| E   | 1.30        | 1.55 | 0.051     | 0.061 |
| F   | 0.18        | 0.30 | 0.007     | 0.011 |
| G   | 0.50 BSC    |      | 0.019 BSC |       |
| H   | 1.30        | 1.55 | 0.051     | 0.061 |
| I   | 0.30        | 0.50 | 0.011     | 0.020 |

**Note:**

1. Dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusions; these shall not exceed 0.155mm(.006") on any side. Lead dimension shall not include solder coverage.

**NOTES**

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