

**FEATURES**

Fixed gain of 16.5 dB  
Operation up to 1000 MHz  
37 dBm Output Third-Order Intercept (OIP3)  
3 dB noise figure  
Input/output internally matched to 50  $\Omega$   
Stable temperature and power supply  
3 V or 5 V power supply  
110 mA power supply current

**APPLICATIONS**

VCO buffers  
General purpose Tx/Rx amplification

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The [ADL5530](#) is a broadband, fixed-gain, linear amplifier that operates at frequencies up to 1000 MHz. The device can be used in a wide variety of wired and wireless devices, including cellular, broadband, CATV, and LMDS/MMDS applications.

The [ADL5530](#) provides a gain of 16.5 dB, which is stable over frequency, temperature, power supply, and from device to device. It achieves an OIP3 of 37 dBm with an output compression point of 21.8 dB and a noise figure of 3 dB.

This amplifier is single-ended and internally matched to 50  $\Omega$  with an input return loss of 11 dB. Only input/output ac-coupling capacitors, a power supply decoupling capacitor, and an external inductor are required for operation.

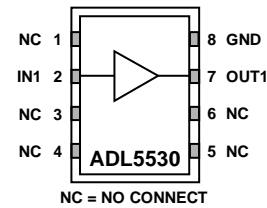
**FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM**

Figure 1.

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The [ADL5530](#) operates with supply voltages of 3 V or 5 V with a supply current of 110 mA.

The [ADL5530](#) is fabricated on a GaAs pHEMPT process. The device is packaged in a 3 mm  $\times$  2 mm LFCSP that uses an exposed paddle for excellent thermal impedance. It operates from  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$ . A fully populated evaluation board is also available.

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**7/2006—Revision 0: Initial Version**

## SPECIFICATIONS

VPOS = 5 V and  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , unless otherwise noted.

Table 1.

Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
OVERALL FUNCTION (See Table 2)					
Frequency Range <sup>1</sup>		10		1000	MHz
Gain (S21)			16.5		dB
Input Return Loss (S11)			-11		dB
Output Return Loss (S22)			-20		dB
Reverse Isolation (S12)			-21.5		dB
FREQUENCY = 70 MHz					
Gain		15	16.7	18	dB
vs. Temperature	$-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_A \leq +85^\circ\text{C}$		$\pm 0.1$		dB
vs. Supply	4.75 V to 5.25 V		$\pm 0.02$		dB
Output 1 dB Compression Point			21.7		dBm
Output Third-Order Intercept	$\Delta f = 10 \text{ MHz}$ , Output Power ( $P_{\text{OUT}}$ ) = 10 dBm per tone		37		dBm
Noise Figure			5		dB
	VPOS = 3 V		3.2		dB
FREQUENCY = 190 MHz					
Gain		15	16.8	18.5	dB
vs. Frequency	$\pm 50 \text{ MHz}$		$\pm 0.1$		dB
vs. Temperature	$-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_A \leq +85^\circ\text{C}$		$\pm 0.2$		dB
vs. Supply	4.75 V to 5.25 V		$\pm 0.02$		dB
Output 1 dB Compression Point			21.8		dBm
Output Third-Order Intercept	$\Delta f = 10 \text{ MHz}$ , $P_{\text{OUT}} = 10 \text{ dBm}$ per tone		37		dBm
Noise Figure			3	4.5	dB
	VPOS = 3 V		2.3		dB
FREQUENCY = 380 MHz					
Gain		14.8	16	17.3	dB
vs. Frequency	$\pm 50 \text{ MHz}$		$\pm 0.1$		dB
vs. Temperature	$-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_A \leq +85^\circ\text{C}$		$\pm 0.3$	$\pm 0.8$	dB
vs. Supply	4.75 V to 5.25 V		$\pm 0.02$		dB
Output 1 dB Compression Point		19.5	21.6		dBm
Output Third-Order Intercept	$\Delta f = 10 \text{ MHz}$ , $P_{\text{OUT}} = 10 \text{ dBm}$ per tone		36		dBm
Noise Figure			2.5	3.5	dB
	VPOS = 3 V		2		dB
FREQUENCY = 900 MHz					
Gain		13	14.5	16	dB
vs. Frequency	$\pm 50 \text{ MHz}$		$\pm 0.2$		dB
vs. Temperature	$-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_A \leq +85^\circ\text{C}$		$\pm 0.5$	$\pm 1$	dB
vs. Supply	4.75 V to 5.25 V		$\pm 0.02$		dB
Output 1 dB Compression Point			21.4		dBm
Output Third-Order Intercept	$\Delta f = 10 \text{ MHz}$ , $P_{\text{OUT}} = 10 \text{ dBm}$ per tone		37		dBm
Noise Figure			2.7	3.5	dB
	VPOS = 3 V		2.3		dB
POWER INTERFACE	Pin VPOS				
Supply Voltage (VPOS)		3	5	5.5	V
Supply Current			110	135	mA
vs. Temperature	$-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_A \leq +85^\circ\text{C}$		$\pm 5$		mA
Power Dissipation	VPOS = 5 V		0.55		W
	VPOS = 3 V		0.33		W

<sup>1</sup> For operation at lower frequencies, see the Theory of Operation section.

**TYPICAL SCATTERING PARAMETERS**

VPOS = 5 V and T<sub>A</sub> = 25°C.

Table 2.

Freq. (MHz)	S11			S21			S12			S22			K Factor
	dB	Magnitude	Angle	dB	Magnitude	Angle	dB	Magnitude	Angle	dB	Magnitude	Angle	
10	-7.1	0.44	-34	17.2	7.23	172	-22.5	0.08	22	-17.7	0.13	-69	0.94
20	-9.7	0.33	-26	16.7	6.81	174	-21.9	0.08	12	-24.4	0.06	-73	1.07
50	-11.2	0.28	-16	16.6	6.73	174	-21.7	0.08	4	-31.4	0.03	-42	1.10
100	-11.5	0.27	-13	16.5	6.70	171	-21.6	0.08	1	-30.4	0.03	-23	1.10
150	-11.4	0.27	-14	16.5	6.67	167	-21.6	0.08	-1	-29.3	0.03	-24	1.10
200	-11.5	0.27	-16	16.4	6.59	162	-21.6	0.08	-3	-27.7	0.04	-25	1.11
250	-11.4	0.27	-19	16.3	6.52	157	-21.6	0.08	-4	-26.6	0.05	-25	1.11
300	-11.4	0.27	-23	16.2	6.45	153	-21.6	0.08	-5	-25.1	0.06	-27	1.12
350	-11.3	0.27	-26	16.1	6.36	149	-21.6	0.08	-6	-23.7	0.07	-29	1.12
400	-11.2	0.27	-29	16.0	6.29	144	-21.6	0.08	-7	-22.2	0.08	-32	1.12
450	-11.1	0.28	-32	15.9	6.21	140	-21.6	0.08	-8	-20.7	0.09	-33	1.12
500	-11.1	0.28	-36	15.7	6.11	136	-21.6	0.08	-9	-19.6	0.10	-35	1.12
550	-11.0	0.28	-39	15.6	6.02	132	-21.7	0.08	-10	-18.4	0.12	-37	1.13
600	-10.9	0.29	-42	15.5	5.94	128	-21.7	0.08	-11	-17.3	0.14	-38	1.13
650	-10.8	0.29	-45	15.3	5.84	124	-21.6	0.08	-12	-16.4	0.15	-40	1.12
700	-10.7	0.29	-49	15.2	5.73	119	-21.6	0.08	-13	-15.5	0.17	-41	1.13
750	-10.6	0.29	-52	15.0	5.62	115	-21.6	0.08	-13	-14.6	0.19	-44	1.13
800	-10.6	0.30	-55	14.8	5.51	111	-21.6	0.08	-14	-13.8	0.20	-45	1.12
850	-10.4	0.30	-58	14.6	5.39	107	-21.6	0.08	-15	-13.1	0.22	-47	1.12
900	-10.3	0.30	-61	14.4	5.28	104	-21.6	0.08	-16	-12.4	0.24	-49	1.12
950	-10.2	0.31	-64	14.3	5.17	100	-21.6	0.08	-17	-11.7	0.26	-51	1.12
1000	-10.1	0.31	-66	14.1	5.06	96	-21.6	0.08	-18	-11.2	0.28	-52	1.11

## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Table 3.

Parameter	Rating
Supply Voltage, VPOS	6 V
Input Power (re: 50 $\Omega$ )	10 dBm
Internal Power Dissipation (Paddle Soldered)	600 mW
$\theta_{JC}$ (Junction to Paddle)	154 $^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{W}$
Maximum Junction Temperature	180 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
Operating Temperature Range	-40 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +85 $^{\circ}\text{C}$
Storage Temperature Range	-65 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ to +150 $^{\circ}\text{C}$

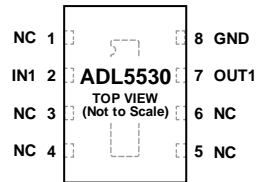
Stresses at or above those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the product. This is a stress rating only; functional operation of the product at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational section of this specification is not implied. Operation beyond the maximum operating conditions for extended periods may affect product reliability.

### 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.

## PIN CONFIGURATION AND FUNCTION DESCRIPTIONS



NOTES  
 1. NC = NO CONNECT.  
 2. THE EXPOSED PADDLE IS INTERNALLY CONNECTED TO GND. SOLDER TO A LOW IMPEDANCE GROUND PLANE.

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Figure 2. Pin Configuration

Table 4. Pin Function Descriptions

Pin No.	Mnemonic	Description
1, 3, 4, 5, 6	NC	No Connect.
2	IN1	RF Input. Requires a DC blocking capacitor.
7	OUT1/ VPOS	RF Output and VPOS (Supply Voltage). DC bias is provided to this pin through an inductor. RF path requires a DC blocking capacitor.
8	GND	Ground. Connect this pin to a low impedance ground plane.
Exposed Paddle		Internally connected to GND. Solder to a low impedance ground plane.

# TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

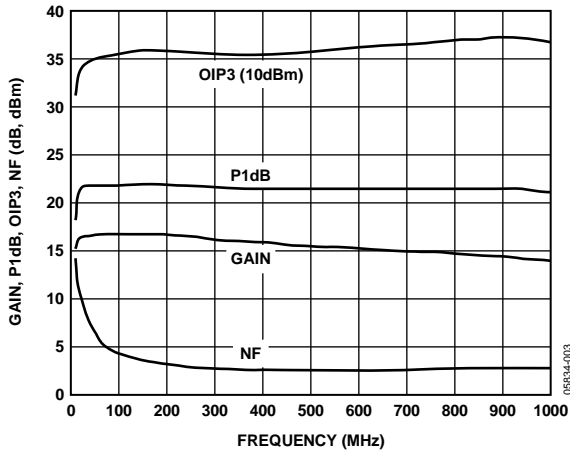


Figure 3. Gain, P1dB, OIP3, and Noise Figure vs. Frequency, VPOS = 5 V

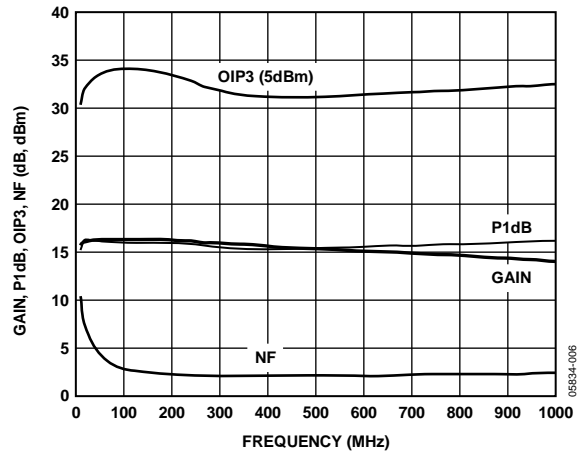


Figure 6. Gain, P1dB, OIP3, and Noise Figure vs. Frequency, VPOS = 3 V

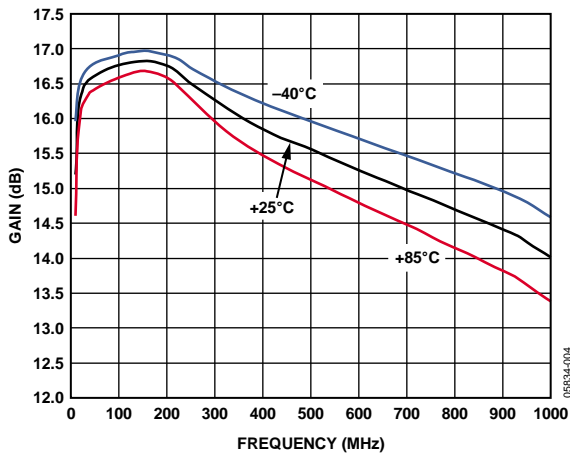


Figure 4. Gain vs. Frequency and Temperature, VPOS = 5 V

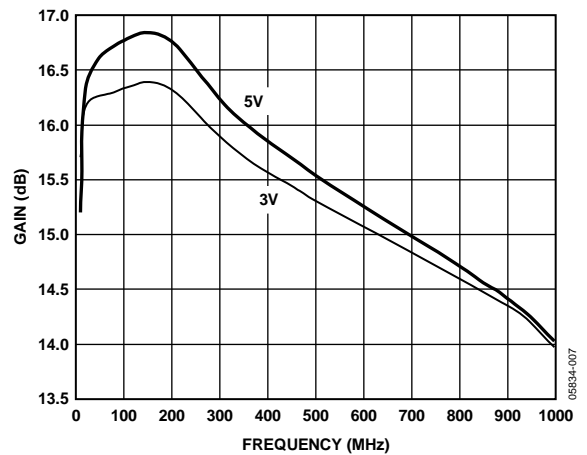


Figure 7. Gain vs. Frequency and Supply, VPOS = 5 V and 3 V

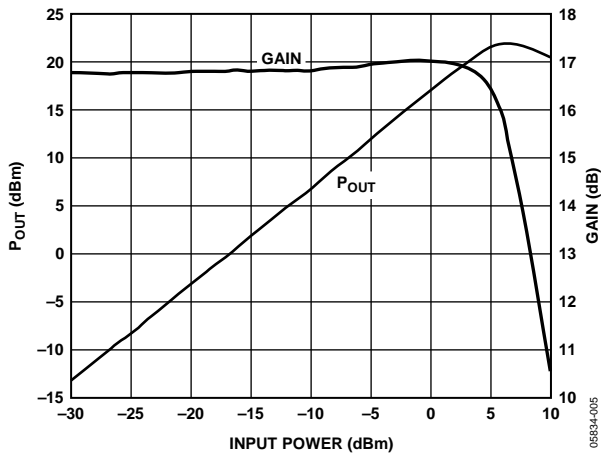


Figure 5. Output Power and Gain vs. Input Power,  $f = 190$  MHz, VPOS = 5 V

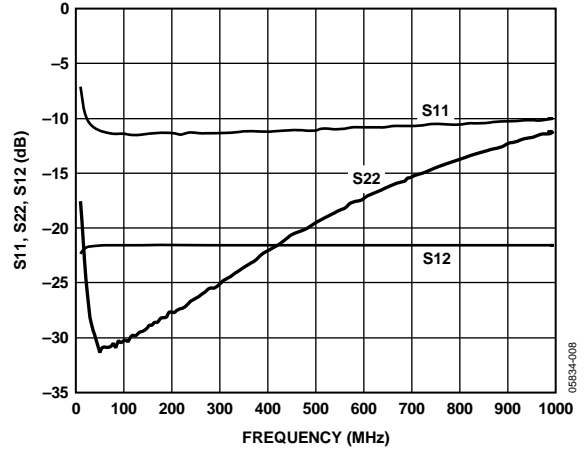


Figure 8. Input Return Loss, Output Return Loss, and Reverse Isolation vs. Frequency, VPOS = 5 V

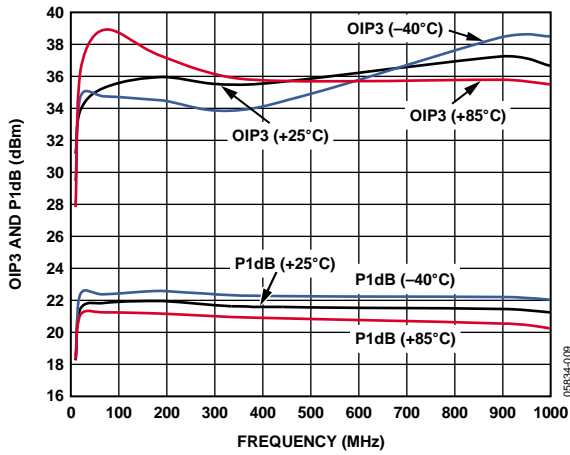


Figure 9. OIP3 and P1dB vs. Frequency and Temperature, VPOS = 5 V

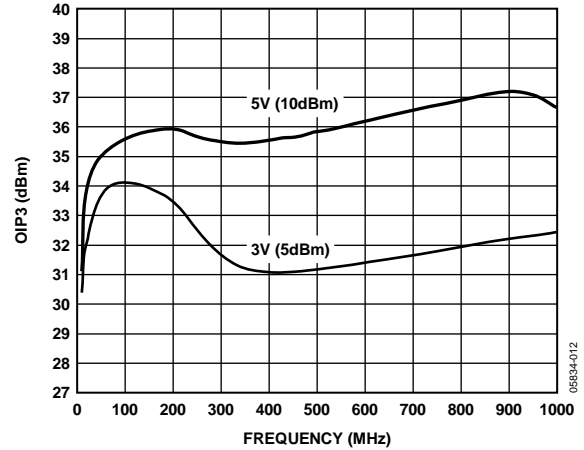


Figure 12. OIP3 vs. Frequency and Supply, VPOS = 5 V and 3 V

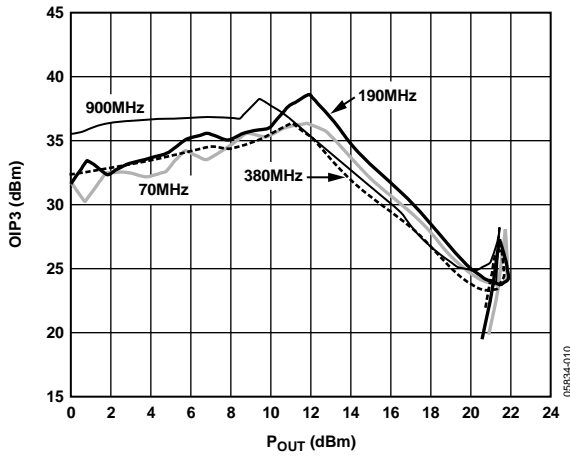


Figure 10. OIP3 vs. Output Power and Frequency, VPOS = 5 V

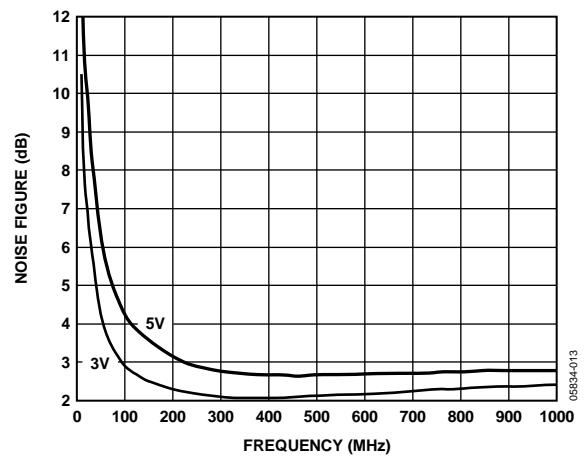


Figure 13. Noise Figure vs. Frequency and Supply, VPOS = 5 V and 3 V

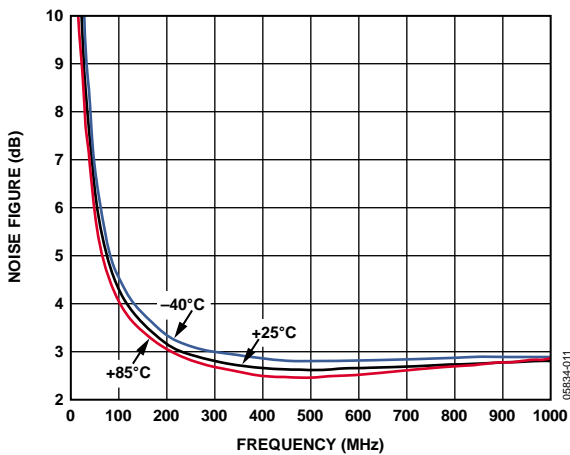


Figure 11. Noise Figure vs. Frequency and Temperature, VPOS = 5 V

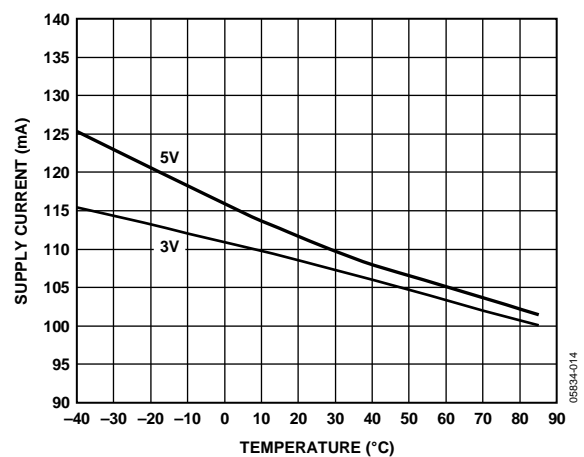


Figure 14. Supply Current vs. Temperature and Supply, VPOS = 5 V and 3 V



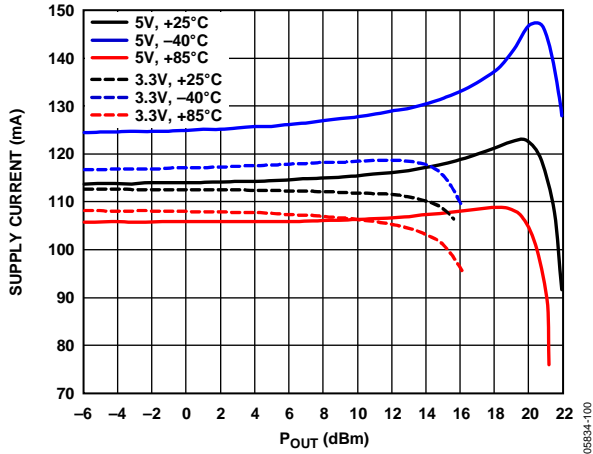


Figure 15. Supply Current vs. P<sub>OUT</sub> and Temperature and Supply, V<sub>POS</sub> = 5 V and 3 V

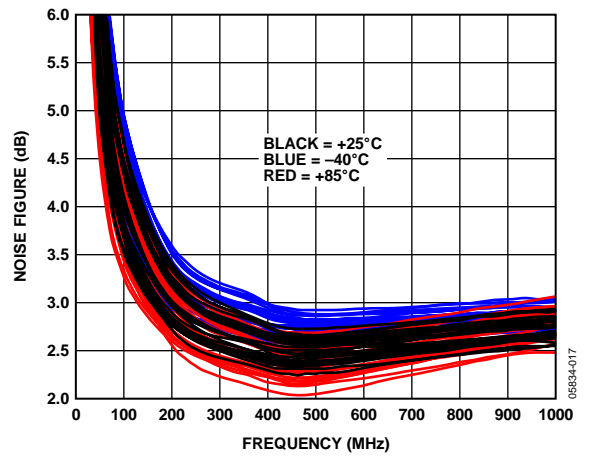


Figure 18. Noise Figure Temperature Distribution, V<sub>POS</sub> = 5 V

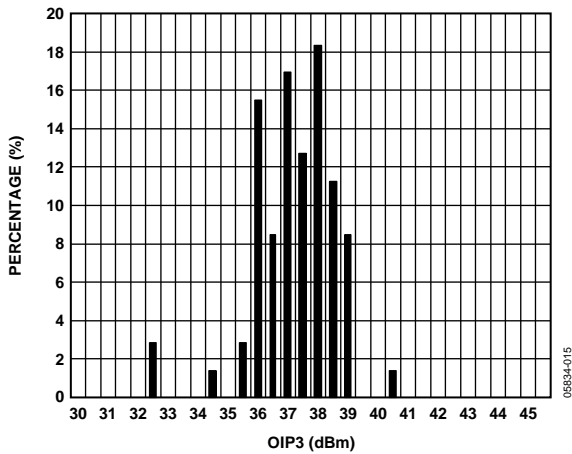


Figure 16. OIP3 Distribution at 190 MHz, 5 V

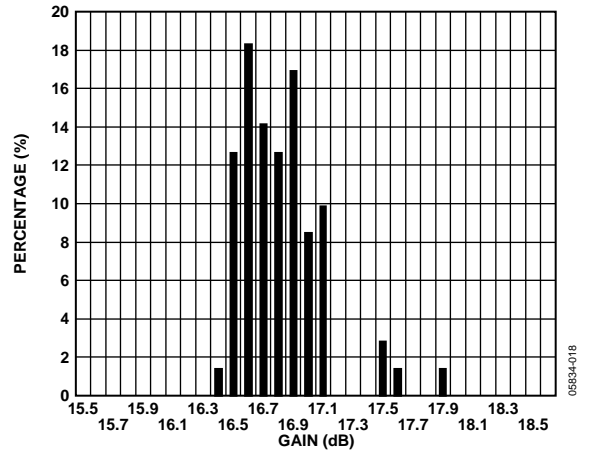


Figure 19. Gain Distribution at 190 MHz, V<sub>POS</sub> = 5 V

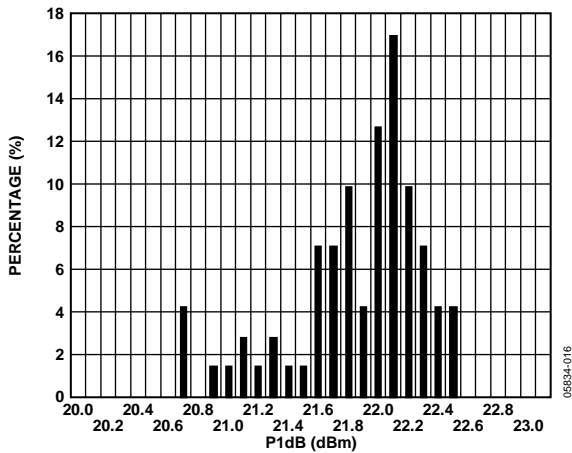


Figure 17. P<sub>1dB</sub> Distribution at 190 MHz, V<sub>POS</sub> = 5 V

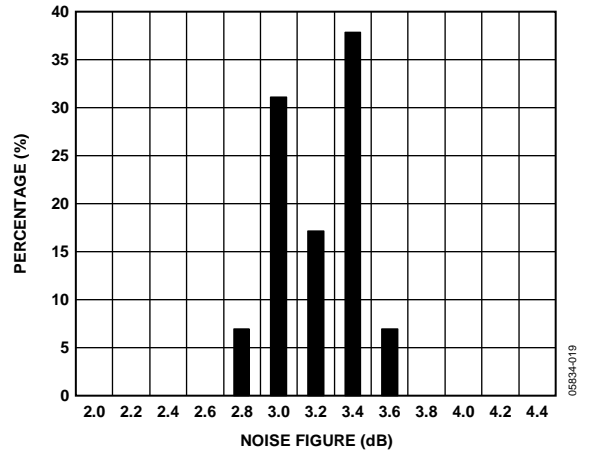


Figure 20. Noise Figure Distribution at 190 MHz, V<sub>POS</sub> = 5 V

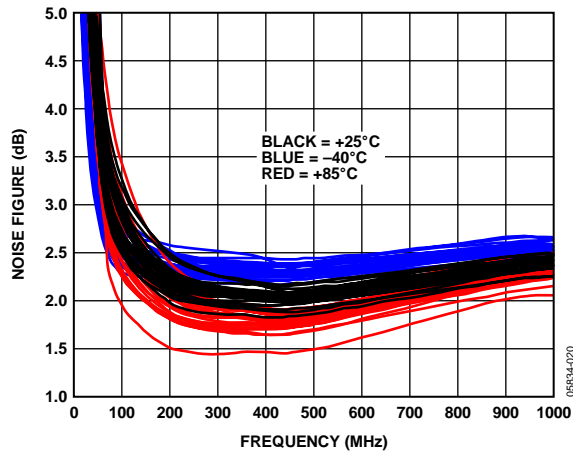


Figure 21. Noise Figure Temperature Distribution, VPOS = 3 V

### THEORY OF OPERATION

The basic connections for operating the ADL5530 are shown in Figure 22. Recommended components are listed in Table 5. The inputs and outputs should be ac coupled with appropriately sized capacitors (device characterization was performed with 10 nF capacitors). DC bias is provided to the amplifier via an inductor connected to the RF output pin. The bias voltage should be decoupled using a 10 nF capacitor.

A bias voltage of 5 V is recommended. However, the device is specified to operate down to 3 V with a slightly reduced compression point and a reduced noise figure.

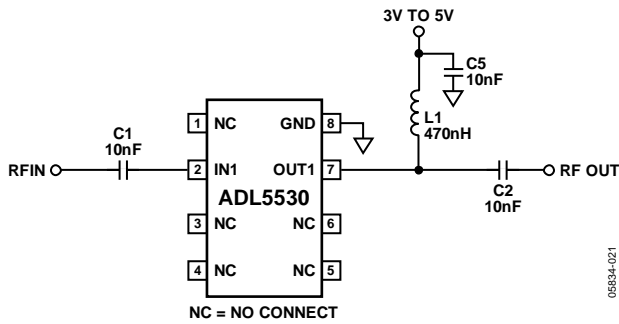


Figure 22. Basic Connections

For operation down to 10 MHz, a larger biasing choke is recommended (see Table 5) along with larger ac-coupling capacitors. Figure 23 shows a plot of input return loss and gain with the recommended components.

Table 5. Recommended Components for Basic Connections

Frequency	C1	C2	L1	C5
10 MHz to 50 MHz	0.1 $\mu$ F	0.1 $\mu$ F	3.3 $\mu$ H	0.1 $\mu$ F
50 MHz to 1000 MHz	10 nF	10 nF	470 nH	10 nF

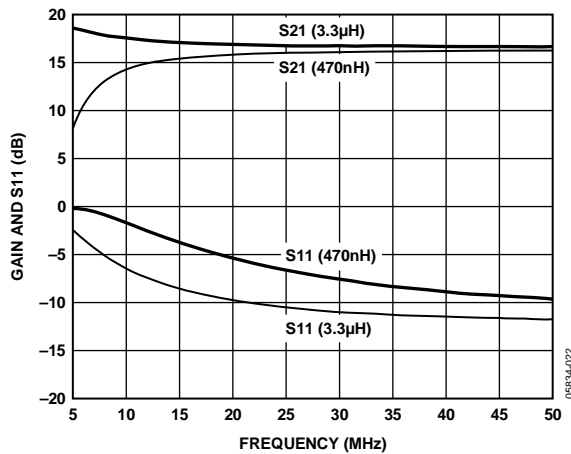


Figure 23. Performance at 10 MHz

### SOLDERING INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDED PCB LAND PATTERN

Figure 24 shows the recommended land pattern for ADL5530. To minimize thermal impedance, the exposed paddle on the package underside should be soldered down to a ground plane along with Pin 8. If multiple ground layers exist, they should be stitched together using vias. Pin 1, Pin 3, Pin 4, Pin 5 and Pin 6 can be left unconnected, or can be connected to ground. Connecting these pins to ground slightly enhances thermal impedance.

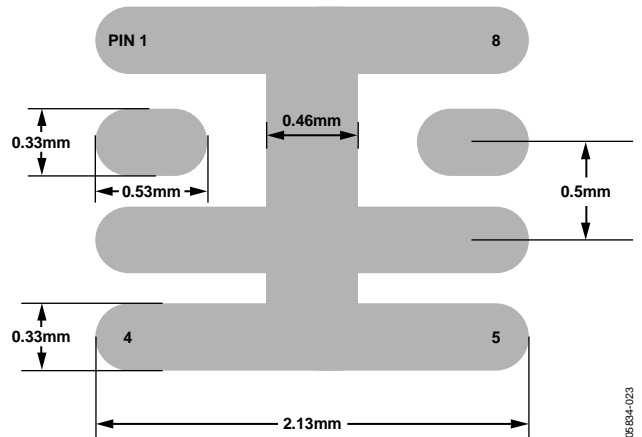


Figure 24. Recommended Land Pattern

**EVALUATION BOARD**

Figure 25 shows the schematic for the [ADL5530](#) evaluation board. The board is powered by a single supply (between 3 V and 5 V).

The components used on the board are listed in Table 6. Power can be applied to the board through clip-on leads (J5, J6), through an edge connector (P1), or through Jumper W1. Note that IN2, OUT2, T1, T2, C6, C7 and C10 have no function. Because Pin 1, Pin 3 and Pin 6 of [ADL5530](#) are No Connects, these pins are grounded on this PCB (this has no effect on electrical performance).

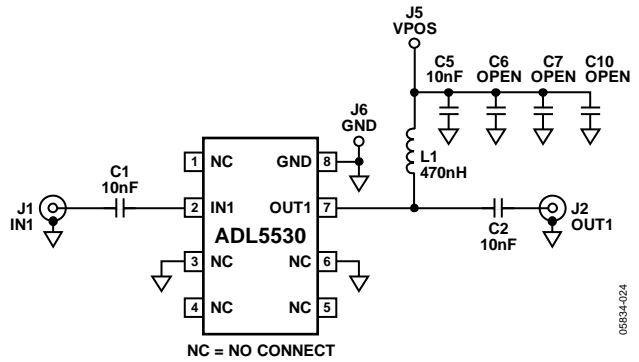


Figure 25. Evaluation Board Schematic

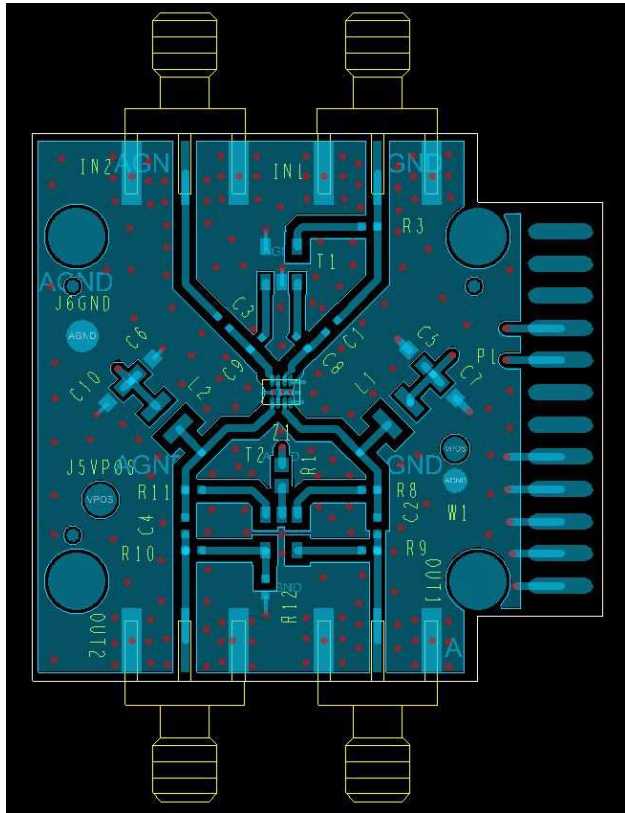


Figure 26. Evaluation Board Layout, Top Layer

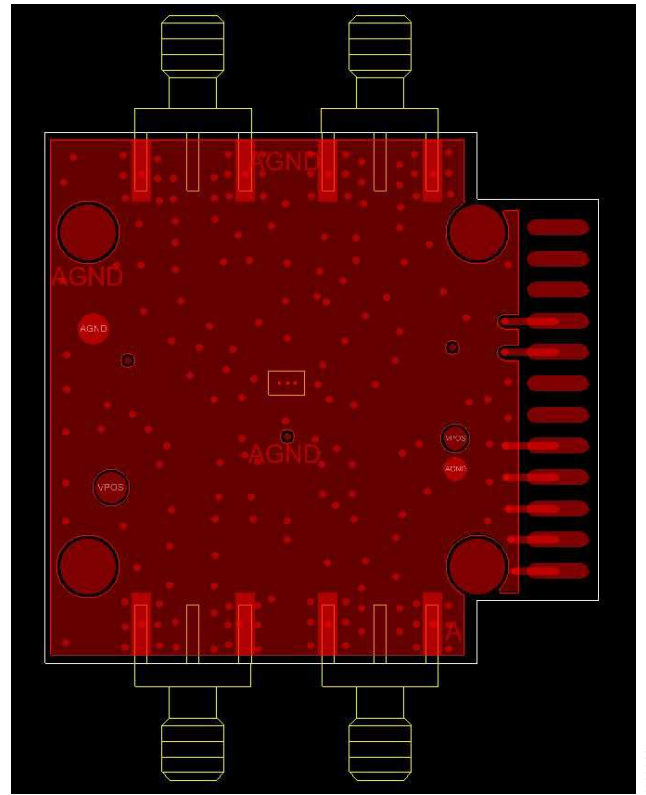


Figure 27. Evaluation Board Layout, Bottom Layer

Table 6. Evaluation Board Configuration Options

Component	Function	Default Value
C1, C2	AC-coupling capacitors.	10 nF 0402
C5	Power supply decoupling capacitor.	10 nF 0603
L1	DC bias inductor.	470 nH 1008
J5, J6	Clip-on terminals for power supply.	J5 = VPOS J6 = GND
W1	2-pin jumper for connection of ground and supply via cable.	
P1	Edge connector.	P1: A1 to A5 = GND P1: B1 to B5 = GND P1: A8 to A9 = VPOS P1: B8 to B9 = VPOS

OUTLINE DIMENSIONS

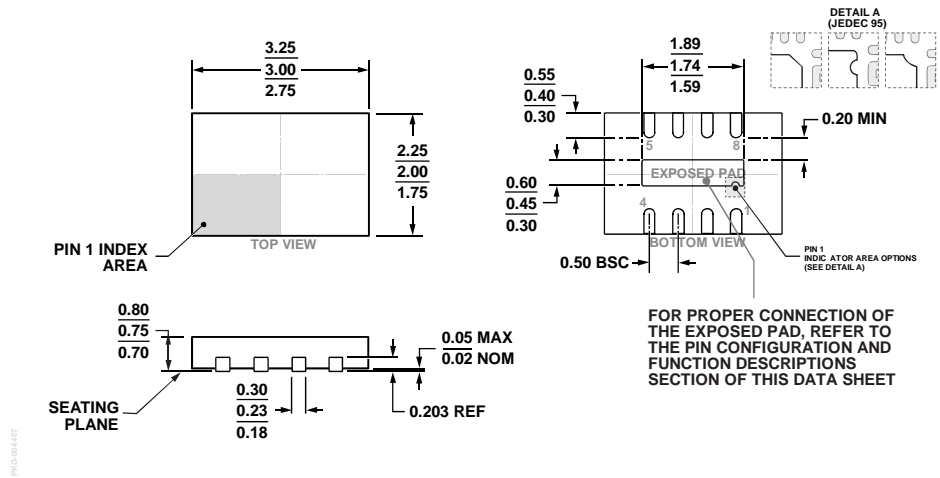


Figure 28. 8-Lead Lead Frame Chip Scale Package [LFCSP]  
 2 mm x 3 mm Body and 0.75 mm Package Height  
 (CP-8-23)  
 Dimensions shown in millimeters

ORDERING GUIDE

Model <sup>1</sup>	Temperature Range	Package Description	Package Option	Branding
ADL5530ACPZ-R7	-40°C to +85°C	8-Lead LFCSP, 7" Tape and Reel	CP-8-23	OT
ADL5530ACPZ-WP	-40°C to +85°C	8-Lead LFCSP, Waffle Pack	CP-8-23	OT
ADL5530-EVALZ		Evaluation Board		

<sup>1</sup> Z = RoHS Compliant Part.

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