

DATA SHEET

SKY65374-11: 1850 to 1915 MHz High Linearity, Active Bias Low-Noise Variable Gain Amplifier

Applications

- LTE, WCDMA, GSM wireless infrastructure
- Low noise, high linearity systems
- Macro base stations
- Small cells

Features

- Fully integrated low-noise front end
- High gain: 38 dB
- Excellent return loss: >20 dB
- High linearity gain control > 35 dB
- Low NF: 0.85 dB
- Switchable high/low gain state modes
- Temperature and process stable active bias
- Small MCM (16-pin, 8 x 8 mm) package (MSL3 @ 260 °C per JEDEC J-STD-020)



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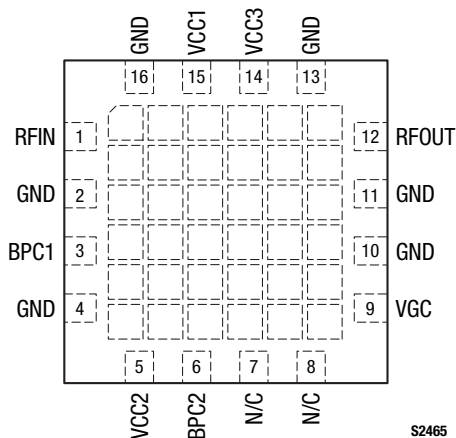


Figure 2. SKY65374-11 Pinout – 16-Pin MCM (Top View)

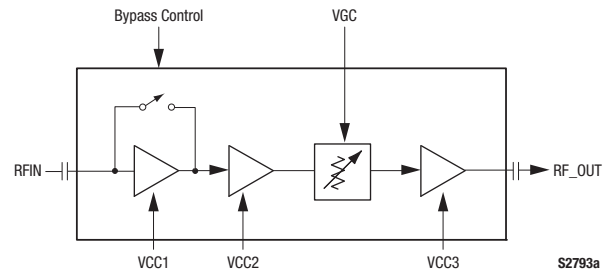


Figure 1. SKY65374-11 Block Diagram

Description

The SKY65374-11 is variable gain Low-Noise Amplifier (LNA) with an active bias and high linearity performance. The first stage of the device is comprised of an LNA with a bypass switch that is followed by a high linearity driver amplifier, a variable voltage attenuator, and a high linearity power amplifier. This module architecture provides excellent return loss, low noise, and high linearity performance.

The internal active bias circuitry ensures repeatable performance over temperature. The device is fully integrated and requires minimal external components.

The SKY65374-11 is manufactured in a compact, 8 x 8 mm, 16-pin Multi-Chip Module (MCM) package. A functional block diagram is shown in Figure 1. The pin configuration and package are shown in Figure 2. Signal pin assignments and functional pin descriptions are provided in Table 1.

The SKY65374-11 is part of a family of LNAs that cover the frequency range of 814 MHz to 2570 MHz:

- **SKY65369-11**, 832 to 862 MHz (Data Sheet # 201767)
- **SKY65370-11**, 814 to 849 MHz (Data Sheet # 201965)
- **SKY65371-11**, 880 to 915 MHz (Data Sheet # 201766)
- **SKY65372-11**, 699 to 748 MHz (Data Sheet #202981)
- **SKY65373-11**, 1710 to 1785 MHz (Data Sheet # 201764)
- **SKY65374-11**, 1850 to 1915 MHz (this Data Sheet)
- **SKY65375-11**, 1920 to 1980 MHz (Data Sheet # 201755)
- **SKY65376-11**, 2500 to 2570 MHz (Data Sheet # 202458)

Table 1. SKY65374-11 Signal Descriptions

| Pin | Name | Description | Pin | Name | Description |
|-----|------|---|-----|-------|--|
| 1 | RFIN | RF input | 9 | VGC | Gain control, 0 V (maximum gain) to +3.3 V (minimum gain) |
| 2 | GND | Ground | 10 | GND | Ground |
| 3 | BPC1 | Bypass switch for high/low gain state, terminal 1. See Table 8. | 11 | GND | Ground |
| 4 | GND | Ground | 12 | RFOUT | RF output |
| 5 | VCC2 | Second state amplifier bias. Connect to +5 V, 120 mA minimum DC supply. | 13 | GND | Ground |
| 6 | BPC2 | Bypass switch for high/low gain state, terminal 2. See Table 8. | 14 | VCC3 | Third stage amplifier bias. Connect to +5 V, 120 mA minimum DC supply. |
| 7 | N/C | No connection. Can be left open or grounded. | 15 | VCC1 | First stage amplifier bias. Connect to +5 V, 120 mA minimum DC supply. |
| 8 | N/C | No connection. Can be left open or grounded. | 16 | GND | Ground |

Electrical and Mechanical Specifications

The absolute maximum ratings of the SKY65374-11 are provided in Table 2. The recommended operating conditions are specified

in Table 3. Electrical specifications are provided in Tables 4 through 7. The gain control logic is shown in Table 8.

Table 2. SKY65374-11 Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter | Symbol | Minimum | Maximum | Units |
|-----------------------|------------------|---------|---------|-------|
| Supply voltage | V _{CC} | | 5.5 | V |
| RF input power | P _{IN} | | +15 | dBm |
| Storage temperature | T _{STG} | −55 | +150 | °C |
| Operating temperature | T _C | −40 | +100 | °C |
| Junction temperature | T _J | | +150 | °C |
| Thermal resistance | R _{TH} | | 20 | C/W |

Note: Exposure to maximum rating conditions for extended periods may reduce device reliability. There is no damage to device with only one parameter set at the limit and all other parameters set at or below their nominal value. Exceeding any of the limits listed here may result in permanent damage to the device.

CAUTION: Although this device is designed to be as robust as possible, Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) can damage this device. This device must be protected at all times from ESD. Static charges may easily produce potentials of several kilovolts on the human body or equipment, which can discharge without detection. Industry-standard ESD precautions should be used at all times.

Table 3. SKY65374-11 Recommended Operating Conditions

| Parameter | Symbol | Minimum | Typical | Maximum | Units |
|--|---------------------------------------|----------|---------|------------|--------|
| RF input power | P _{IN} | | −25 | | dBm |
| Frequency range | f | 1850 | | 1915 | MHz |
| Supply voltage | V _{CC} | 4.75 | 5.00 | 5.25 | V |
| Gain control voltage | V _{GC} | 0 | | +3.3 | V |
| Bypass control voltage: Logic high Logic low | V _{BPC1} , V _{BPC2} | 2.7 0 | 3.0 | 3.3 0.6 | V V |
| Operating case temperature | T _C | −40 | | +85 | °C |

Table 4. SKY65374-11 Electrical Specifications (1 of 2) (Note 1)

(V_{DD} = 5.0 V @ Maximum Gain [V_{GC} = V_{BPC1} = 0 V, V_{BPC2} = 3.3 V], T_C = +25 °C, P_{IN} = −25 dBm, f = 1880 MHz,
Characteristic Impedance [Z₀] = 50 Ω, Unless Otherwise Noted)

| Parameter | Symbol | Test Condition | Min | Typical | Max | Units |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|------|----------------------|
| RF Specifications | | | | | | |
| Frequency range | f | | 1850 | | 1915 | MHz |
| Quiescent current | I _{CC} | | | 380 | 440 | mA |
| Noise Figure (Note 2) | NF | Gain = +35 dB | | 0.85 | 1.00 | dB |
| Small signal gain | S ₂₁ | P _{IN} = −25 dBm | 37.5 | 39 | 43 | dB |
| Gain variation over frequency | | P _{IN} = −25 dBm: Gain = 3 and 19 dB (low gain) Gain = 20 and 35 dB (high gain) | | 0.60 | 0.80 | dB |
| Part-to-part gain variation | | Gain = 31, 28, 25, 22, 13, 10, and 7 dB | −1 | | +1 | |
| Absolute gain, high gain mode | | P _{IN} = −25 dBm, BPC1 = 0, BPC2 = 1, V _{GC} = 0 V | 37.5 | 39.0 | 43.0 | dB |
| Absolute gain, high gain mode | | P _{IN} = −25 dBm, BPC1 = 0, BPC2 = 1, V _{GC} = 3.3 V | 12 | 15 | 18 | dB |
| Absolute gain, low gain mode | | P _{IN} = −25 dBm, BPC1 = 1, BPC2 = 0, V _{GC} = 0 V | 20.0 | 21.5 | 23.0 | dB |
| Absolute gain, low gain mode | | P _{IN} = −25 dBm, BPC1 = 1, BPC2 = 0, V _{GC} = 3.3 V | −10 | −6 | +1 | dB |
| Input return loss | S ₁₁ | P _{IN} = −25 dBm: Gain = 3 dB (low gain) Gain = 19 dB (low gain) Gain = 20 dB (high gain) Gain = 35 dB (high gain) | 18.2 18.2 18.2 20.4 | 24.0 25.0 22.0 23.0 | | dB dB dB dB |
| Output return loss | S ₂₂ | P _{IN} = −25 dBm: Gain = 3 dB (low gain) Gain = 19 dB (low gain) Gain = 20 dB (high gain) Gain = 35 dB (high gain) | 16.6 16.6 16.6 16.6 | 21 22 21 22 | | dB dB dB dB |

Table 4. SKY65374-11 Electrical Specifications (2 of 2) (Note 1)

($V_{DD} = 5.0\text{ V}$ @ Maximum Gain [$V_{GC} = V_{BPC1} = 0\text{ V}$, $V_{BPC2} = 3.3\text{ V}$], $T_c = +25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, $P_{IN} = -25\text{ dBm}$, $f = 1880\text{ MHz}$, Characteristic Impedance [Z_0] = $50\text{ }\Omega$, Unless Otherwise Noted)

| Parameter | Symbol | Test Condition | Min | Typical | Max | Units |
|--|-----------------|---|-------|---------|-----|-------|
| RF Specifications | | | | | | |
| Reverse isolation | S ₁₂ | $P_{IN} = -25\text{ dBm}$, gain = 35 dB (high gain) | 61 | 70 | | dB |
| 3 rd Order Input Intercept Point (Note 3) | IIP3 | $\Delta f = 1\text{ MHz}$, $P_{IN} = -25\text{ dBm/tone}$: | | | | |
| | | Gain = 11 dB | +18.5 | +21.0 | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 17 dB | +15.0 | +18.5 | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 29 dB | +5.5 | +8.0 | | dBm |
| 1 dB Input Compression Point (Note 4) | IP1dB | Gain = 35 dB | +2.5 | +5.0 | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 11 dB | +9.0 | +16.0 | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 17 dB | +5.0 | +12.0 | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 29 dB | -8.0 | -4.5 | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 35 dB | -10.0 | -7.5 | | dBm |

Note 1: Performance is guaranteed only under the conditions listed in this Table.

Note 2: Loss from the input SMA connector and Evaluation Board up to pin 1 has been de-embedded from the NF measurement. See Table 5 for the full specification.

Note 3: See Table 6 for the full specification.

Note 4: See Table 7 for the full specification.

Table 5. SKY65374-11 Electrical Specifications: Noise Figure (Note 1)

($V_{DD} = 4.75\text{ to }5.25\text{ V}$, $T_c = -40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C to }+85\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, $P_{IN} = -25\text{ dBm}$, $f = 1850\text{ to }1915\text{ MHz}$, Characteristic Impedance [Z_0] = $50\text{ }\Omega$, Unless Otherwise Noted)

| Parameter | Symbol | Test Condition | Min | Typical | Max | Units |
|--------------|--------|--------------------|-----|---------|-------|-------|
| Noise Figure | NF | Gain = 3 to 6 dB | | | 22.80 | dB |
| | | Gain = 7 to 8 dB | | | 20.80 | dB |
| | | Gain = 9 to 10 dB | | | 18.80 | dB |
| | | Gain = 11 to 12 dB | | | 16.80 | dB |
| | | Gain = 13 to 14 dB | | | 14.80 | dB |
| | | Gain = 15 to 16 dB | | | 12.80 | dB |
| | | Gain = 17 to 18 dB | | | 10.80 | dB |
| | | Gain = 19 to 20 dB | | | 8.80 | dB |
| | | Gain = 21 to 22 dB | | | 7.30 | dB |
| | | Gain = 23 to 24 dB | | | 5.30 | dB |
| | | Gain = 25 to 26 dB | | | 3.50 | dB |
| | | Gain = 27 to 28 dB | | | 2.40 | dB |
| | | Gain = 29 to 30 dB | | | 2.10 | dB |
| | | Gain = 31 to 32 dB | | | 1.60 | dB |
| | | Gain = 33 to 34 dB | | | 1.35 | dB |
| | | Gain = 35 dB | | | 1.25 | dB |

Note 1: Verified by characterization.

Table 6. SKY65374-11 Electrical Specifications: IIP3 (Note 1)

($V_{DD} = 4.75\text{ to }5.25\text{ V}$, $T_c = -40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C to }+85\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, $P_{IN} = -25\text{ dBm}$, $f = 1850\text{ to }1915\text{ MHz}$, Characteristic Impedance [Z_0] = $50\text{ }\Omega$, Unless Otherwise Noted)

| Parameter | Symbol | Test Condition | Min | Typical | Max | Units |
|---|--------|--------------------|-----|---------|-----|-------|
| 3 rd Order Input Intercept Point | IIP3 | Gain = 3 to 11 dB | +18 | | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 12 to 17 dB | +14 | | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 18 to 28 dB | +3 | | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 30 to 35 dB | +1 | | | dBm |

Note 1: Verified by characterization.

Table 7. SKY65374-11 Electrical Specifications: IP1dB (Note 1)

($V_{DD} = 4.75$ to 5.25 V, $T_c = -40$ °C to $+85$ °C, $P_{IN} = -25$ dBm, $f = 1850$ to 1915 MHz, Characteristic Impedance [Z_0] = $50\ \Omega$, Unless Otherwise Noted)

| Parameter | Symbol | Test Condition | Min | Typical | Max | Units |
|------------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------|---------|-----|-------|
| 1 dB Input Compression Point | IP1dB | Gain = 3 to 5 dB | +10.5 | | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 6 to 11 dB | +8.0 | | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 12 to 17 dB | +4.0 | | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 18 to 28 dB | -7.0 | | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 29 dB | -10.0 | | | dBm |
| | | Gain = 30 to 35 dB | -14.0 | | | dBm |

Note 1: Verified by characterization.

Table 8. Gain Control Logic

| | BPC1 (Pin 3) | BPC2 (Pin 6) |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| High gain | 0 | 1 |
| Low gain | 1 | 0 |

Note: "1" = 3.0 V, "0" = 0 V.

Evaluation Board Description

The SKY65374-11 Evaluation Board is used to test the performance of the SKY65374-11 LNA. An assembly drawing for the Evaluation Board is shown in Figure 3 and the layer detail is provided in Figure 4. The layer detail physical characteristics are noted in Figure 5.

An Evaluation Board schematic diagram is provided in Figure 6. Table 9 provides the Bill of Materials (BOM) list for Evaluation Board components.

Package Dimensions

The PCB layout footprint for the SKY65374-11 is provided in Figure 7. Figure 8 shows the typical part marking. Package dimensions for the 16-pin MCM are shown in Figure 9, and tape and reel dimensions are provided in Figure 10.

Package and Handling Information

Since the device package is sensitive to moisture absorption, it is baked and vacuum packed before shipping. Instructions on the shipping container label regarding exposure to moisture after the container seal is broken must be followed. Otherwise, problems related to moisture absorption may occur when the part is subjected to high temperature during solder assembly.

The SKY65374-11 is rated to Moisture Sensitivity Level 3 (MSL3) at 260 °C. It can be used for lead or lead-free soldering. For additional information, refer to Skyworks Application Note, *PCB Design and SMT Assembly/Rework Guidelines for MCM-L Packages*, document number 101752.

Care must be taken when attaching this product, whether it is done manually or in a production solder reflow environment. Production quantities of this product are shipped in a standard tape and reel format.

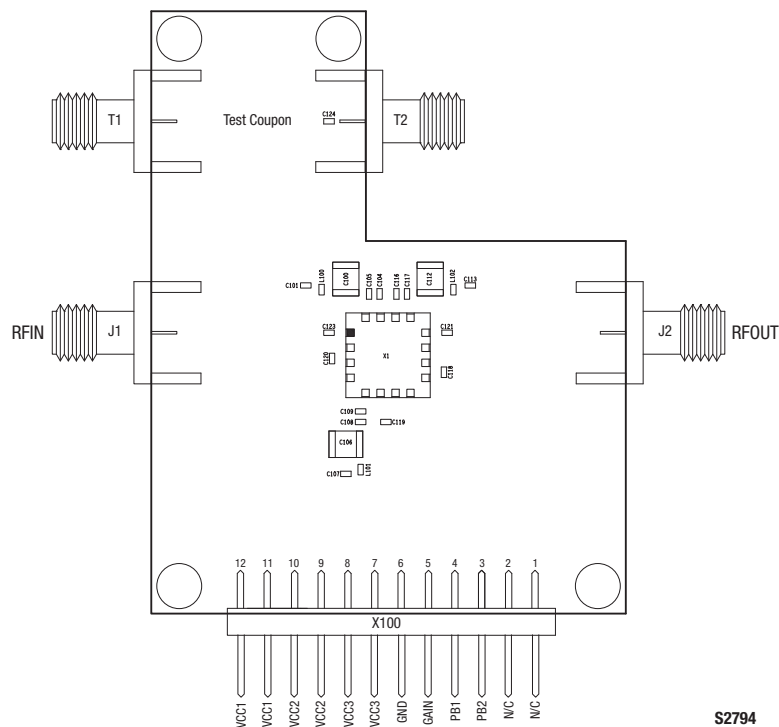
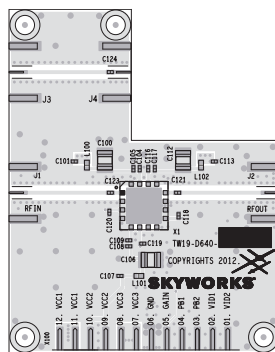
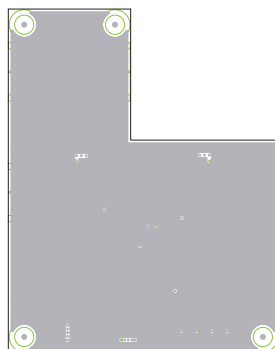


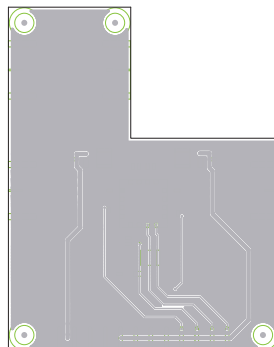
Figure 3. SKY65374-11 Evaluation Board Assembly Diagram



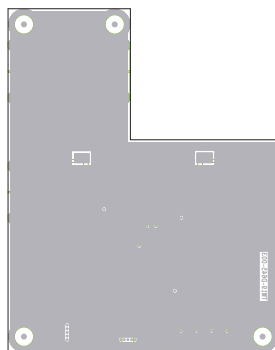
Layer 1: Top – Metal



Layer 2: Ground







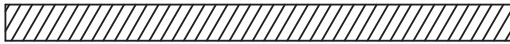




Layer 3: Signal



Layer 4: Bottom Ground

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Figure 4. SKY65374-11 Evaluation Board Layer Detail

| Cross Section | Name | Thickness (mm) | Material |
|---|------------|----------------|---------------|
|  | Tmask | 0.010 | Solder Resist |
|  | L1 | 0.035 | — |
|  | Dielectric | 0.305 | R04003C |
|  | L2 | 0.018 | — |
|  | Dielectric | 4 x 0.101 | R04350B RF |
|  | L3 | 0.018 | — |
|  | Dielectric | 0.305 | R04003C |
|  | L4 | 0.035 | — |
|  | Bmask | 0.010 | Solder Resist |

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Figure 5. Layer Detail Physical Characteristics

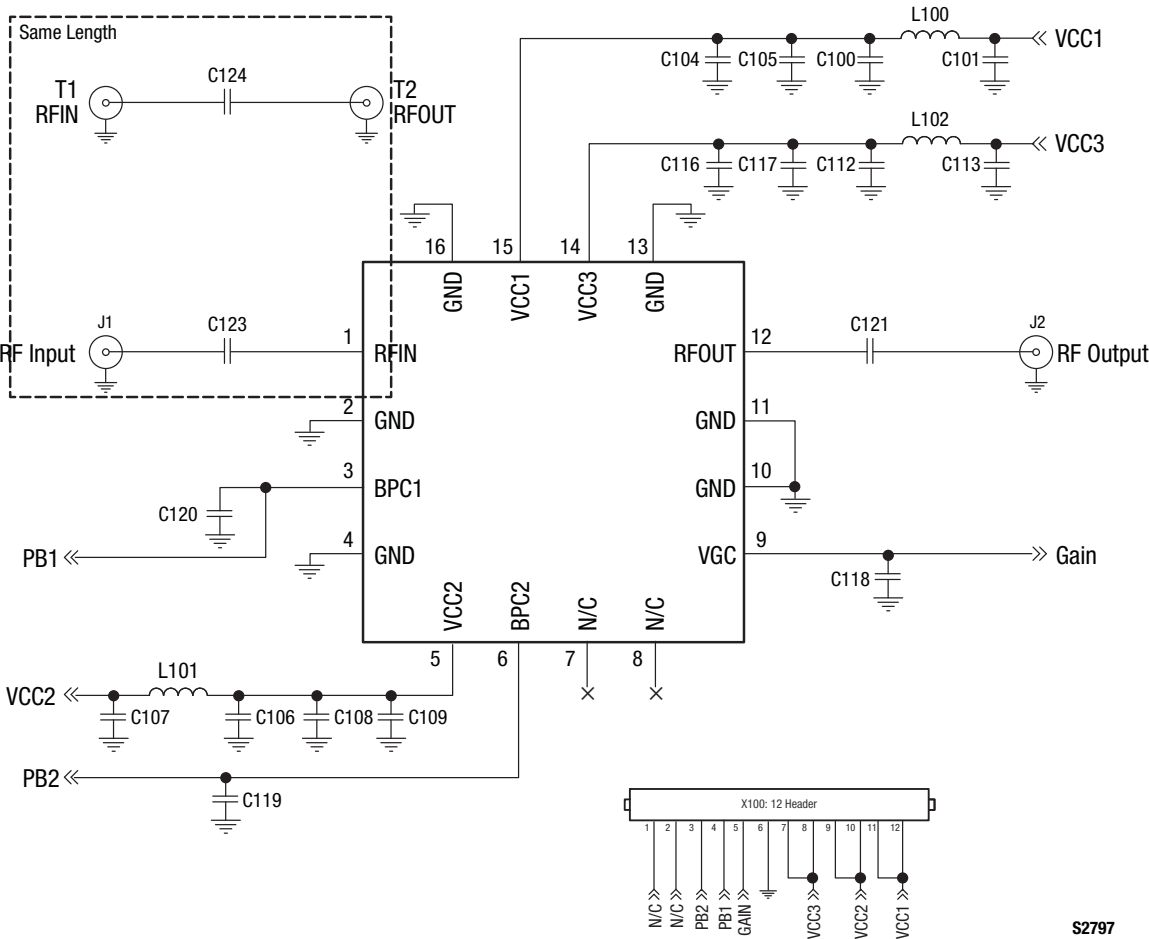
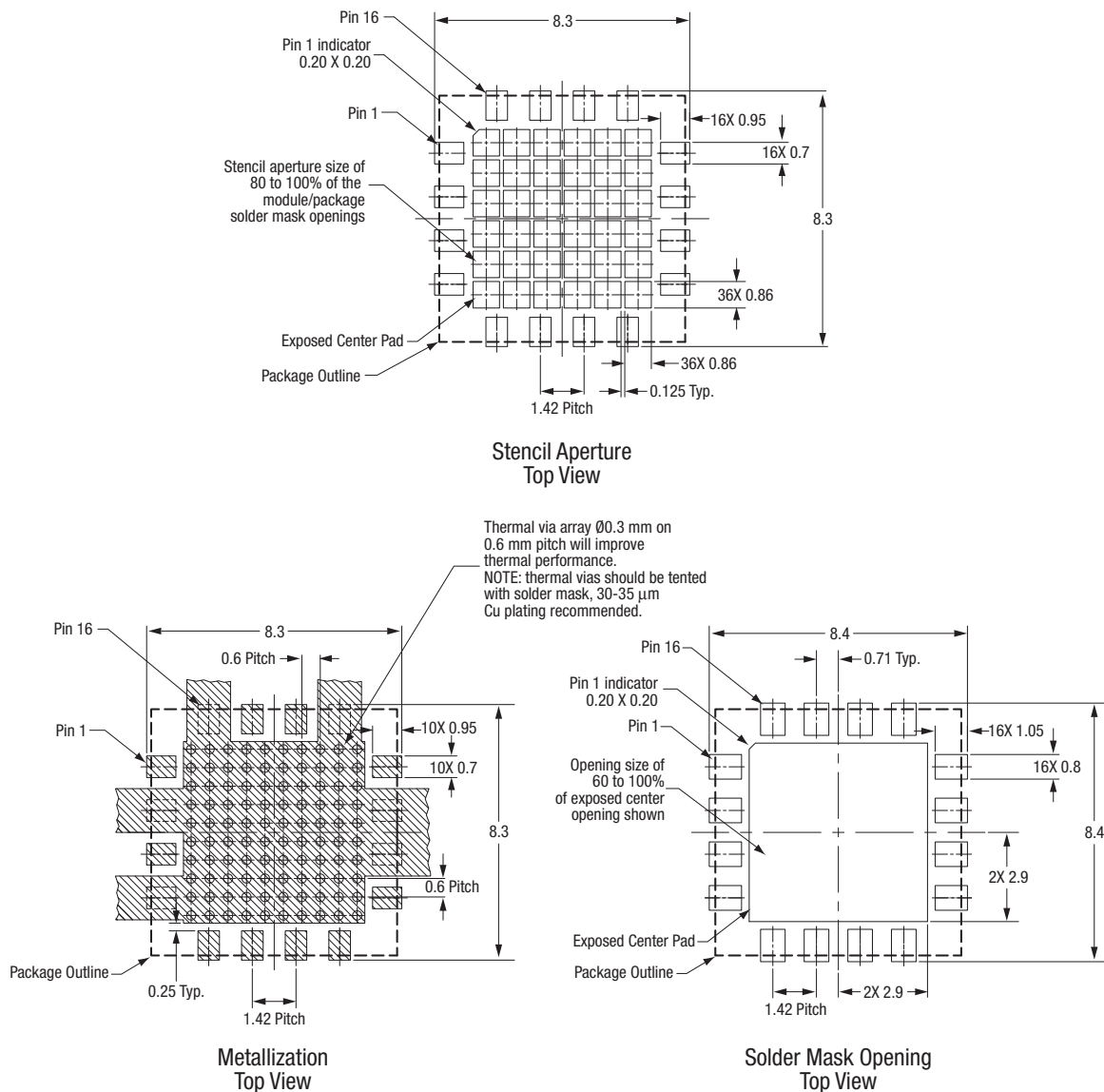


Figure 6. SKY65374-11 Evaluation Board Schematic

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Table 9. SKY65374-11 Evaluation Board Bill of Materials

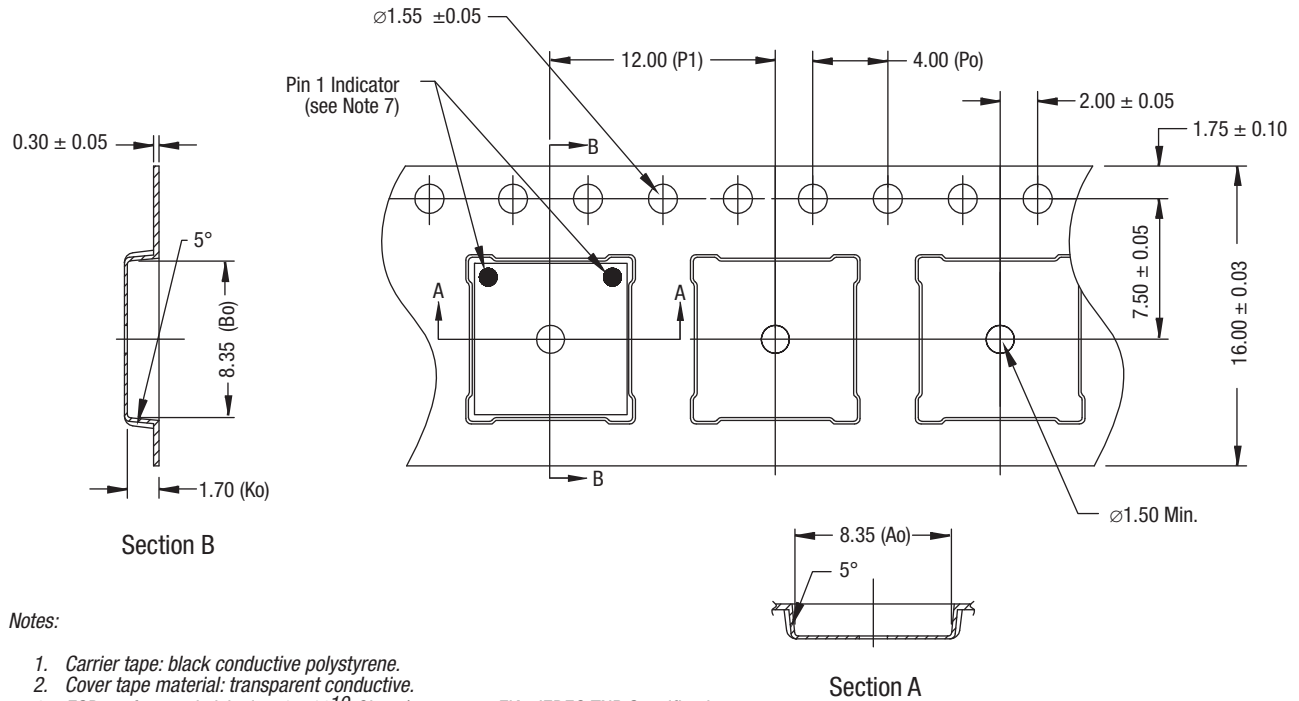
| Component | Size | Value | Tolerance (%) |
|------------------------------------|------|------------|---------------|
| C100, C106, C112 | 1210 | 10 μ F | 10 |
| C101, C107, C113 | 0402 | 10 pF | 5 |
| C104, C109, C116, C121, C123, C124 | 0402 | 1000 pF | 5 |
| C105, C108, C117 | 0402 | 100 nF | 10 |
| C118, C119, C120 | DNI | – | – |
| L100, L101, L102 | 0603 | 68 nH | 2 |



All dimensions are in millimeters

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Figure 7. SKY65374-11 PCB Layout Footprint (Top View)



Notes:

1. Carrier tape: black conductive polystyrene.
2. Cover tape material: transparent conductive.
3. ESD-surface resistivity is $\leq 1 \times 10^{10}$ Ohms/square per EIA, JEDEC TNR Specification.
4. Po/P1 10 pitches cumulative tolerance on tape: ± 0.20 mm.
5. Ao and Bo measurement point to be 0.30 mm from bottom pocket.
6. All dimensions are in millimeters.
7. Pin 1 orientation is in top left corner for the following Skyworks products:

| | | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| SKY77503-XX | SKY65369-11 | SKY65374-11 |
| SKY77506-XX | SKY65370-11 | SKY65375-11 |
| SKY77512-XX | SKY65371-11 | SKY65376-11 |
| SKY77526-XX | SKY65372-11 | SKY65379-11 |
| SKY77343-XX | SKY65373-11 | |

For all other 8 x 8 mm MCM/RFLGA products, pin 1 orientation is in top right corner.

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Figure 10. SKY65374-11 Tape and Reel Dimensions

Ordering Information

| Model Name | Manufacturing Part Number | Evaluation Board Part Number |
|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| SKY65374-11 LNA | SKY65374-11 | TW19-D640 |

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