



## Features

- 700 MHz to 2500 MHz Operating Frequency
- Very Low Noise Floor Performance
- Very Good Carrier and Sideband Suppression
- Supports Wideband Baseband Input
- Low LO Drive Requirements
- Power-down Mode
- No External IF Filter
- Supply Voltage 5 V
- Small SSOP16 Package

## Applications

- Infrastructure Digital Communication Systems
- DCS/PCS/UMTS Transceivers
- ISM Band Transceivers
- GMSK, QPSK, QAM, 8PSK, SSB Modulators

Electrostatic sensitive device.

Observe precautions for handling.



# 700 to 2500 MHz Direct Quadrature Modulator

**T0790**

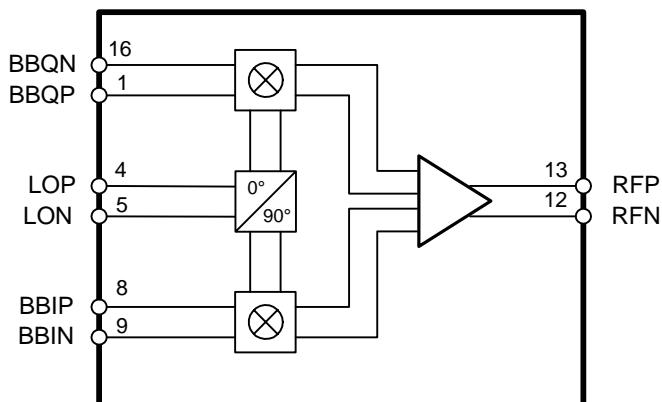
**Preliminary**

## Description

The T0790 is a direct quadrature modulator using Atmel's Silicon-Germanium (SiGe) process. It features a frequency range from 700 up to 2500 MHz with excellent carrier and sideband suppression and a low noise floor. The typical output power is -11 dBm with an IM3 suppression greater than 60 dB.

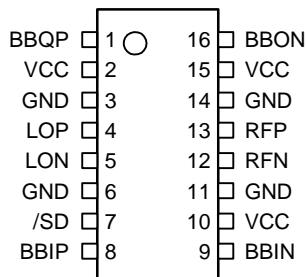
The T0790 targets a wide range of communication applications including 3G wireless.

**Figure 1.** Block Diagram



## Pin Configuration

**Figure 2.** Pinning SSOP16



## Pin Description

Pin	Symbol	Function
1	BBQP	Q-channel baseband, positive input
2	VCC	+5 V power supply
3	GND	Ground
4	LOP	Local oscillator, positive input
5	LON	Local oscillator, negative input
6	GND	Ground
7	/SD	Shut-down control
8	BBIP	I-channel baseband, positive input
9	BBIN	I-channel baseband, negative input
10	VCC	+5 V power supply
11	GND	Ground
12	RFN	RF, negative output
13	RFP	RF, positive output
14	GND	Ground
15	VCC	+5 V power supply
16	BBQN	Q-channel baseband, negative input

## Absolute Maximum Ratings

All voltages are referred to GND.

Parameters	Symbols	Value	Unit
Supply voltage	$V_{CC}$	5.5	V
LO, RF input	LOP, LON, RFP, RFN	10	dBm
Input voltage	BBIP, BBIN, BBQP, BBQN	3	V
Operating temperature	$T_{OP}$	-40 to +85	°C
Storage temperature	$T_{stg}$	-65 to +150	°C

## Thermal Resistance

Parameters	Symbols	Value	Unit
Junction ambient	$R_{thJA}$	TBD	K/W
Junction case	$R_{thJC}$	46	°C/W

## Electrical Characteristics

Test conditions:  $V_{CC} = +5$  V,  $T_{amb} = +25$  °C, baseband inputs: 1.9 V DC bias, 200 kHz frequency, 300 mV<sub>p-p</sub>, 600 mV<sub>p-p</sub> differential drive, I/Q signals in quadrature, LO input: -5 dBm at 1960 MHz

No.	Parameters	Test Conditions	Pin	Symbols	700 to 1000 MHz Operation			1700 to 2500 MHz Operation			Unit	Type*
					Min.	Typ.	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.		
1	<b>RF Output</b>											
1.1	Frequency range		12, 13	f	700		1000	1700		2500	MHz	B
1.2	Output power		12, 13	$P_{RF\ out}$	-13.0	-10.5	-9.0	-15.0	-11.5	-10	dBm	A
1.3	RF port return loss	Matched to 50 Ω (refer to schematics)	12, 13	RL		20			16		dB	D
1.4	1dB-output compression point	Compression point	12, 13	P1dB	3	4		2	3		dBm	A
1.5	LO leakage		12, 13	$A_{LO}$		-40	-34		-40	-32	dBm	D
1.6	Sideband suppression		12, 13	$A_{SB}$	34	40		34	40		dB	D
1.7	IM3 suppression	Two-tone baseband input at 600 mV <sub>p-p</sub> differential per tone	12, 13	$A_{IM3}$	58	62		58	65		dB	D

\*) Type means: A = 100% tested, B = 100% correlation tested, C = Characterized on samples, D = Design parameter.



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No.	Parameters	Test Conditions	Pin	Symbols	700 to 1000 MHz Operation			1700 to 2500 MHz Operation			Unit	Type*
					Min.	Typ.	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.		
1.8	Broadband noise floor	Baseband inputs tied to 1.9 V <sub>DC</sub> , -20 MHz offset from carrier	12, 13	P <sub>noise</sub>		-154	-148		-155	-148	dBm/Hz	C
1.9	Quadrature phase error		12, 13		-2	±0.5	+2	-2	±0.5	+2	°C	B
1.10	I/Q amplitude balance		12, 13		-0.2	±0.5	+0.2	-0.2	±0.5	+0.2	dB	B
<b>2</b>	<b>Modulation Input</b>											
2.1	Baseband frequency input	-3dB bandwidth, baseband inputs terminated in 50 Ω	1, 8, 9, 16	f <sub>BB</sub>	DC		500	DC		500	MHz	D
2.2	Baseband input resistance	Per pin	1, 8, 9, 16	R <sub>BB</sub>		4.4			4.4		kΩ	D
2.3	Baseband input capacitance	Per pin	1, 8, 9, 16	C <sub>BB</sub>		0.5			0.5		pF	D
<b>3</b>	<b>LO Input</b>											
3.1	LO frequency		4, 5	f <sub>LO</sub>	700		2500	700		2500	MHz	B
3.2	LO drive level		4, 5	P <sub>LO</sub>	-8	-5	-2	-8	-5	-2	dBm	D
3.3	LO port return loss	Matched to 50 Ω (refer to schematic)	4, 5	R <sub>L<sub>LO</sub></sub>		16			16		dB	C
<b>4</b>	<b>Miscellaneous</b>											
4.1	Shut-down attenuation		7	A <sub>SD</sub>		60			60		dB	D
4.2	Shut-down pin resistance	at 1 MHz	7	R <sub>SD</sub>		11.9			11.9		kΩ	D
4.3	Shut-down pin capacitance	at 1 MHz	7	C <sub>SD</sub>		5.2			5.2		pF	D
4.4	Shut-down input thresholds	Shut-down disabled (normal operation)	7		3.75		V <sub>CC</sub>	3.75		V <sub>CC</sub>	V	D
		Shut-down enable	7		0		1.5	0		1.5	V	D

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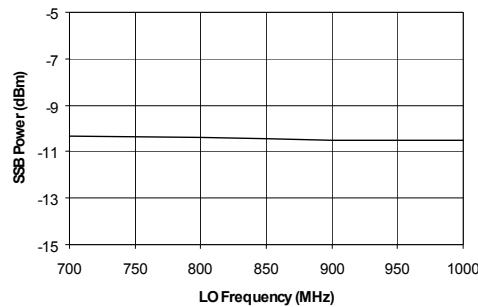
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No.	Parameters	Test Conditions	Pin	Symbols	700 to 1000 MHz Operation			1700 to 2500 MHz Operation			Unit	Type*
					Min.	Typ.	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.		
4.5	Shut-down settling time		7			16			16		ns	
4.6	Supply voltage		2, 10, 15	$V_{CC}$	4.75	5	5.25	4.75	5	5.25	V	A
4.7	Supply current		2, 10, 15			73	82		73	82	mA	A

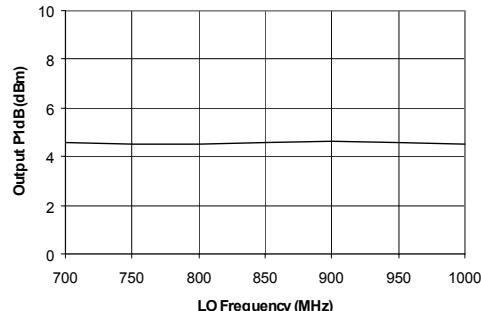
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## 700 MHz to 1000 MHz: Typical Device Performance

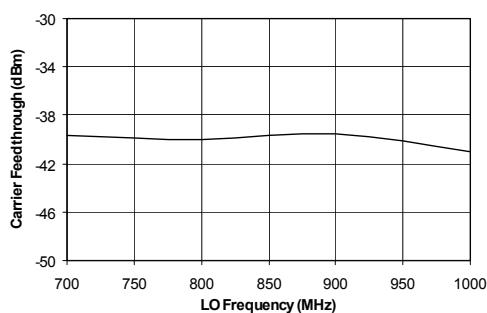
**Figure 3.** SSB Power Versus LO Frequency

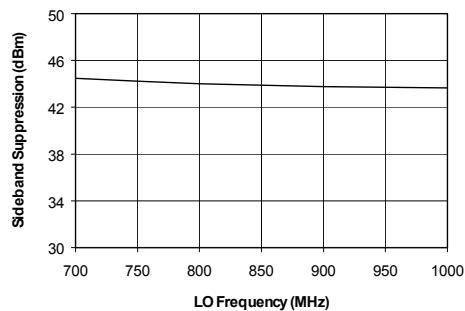
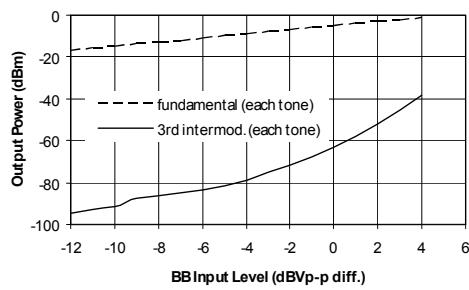
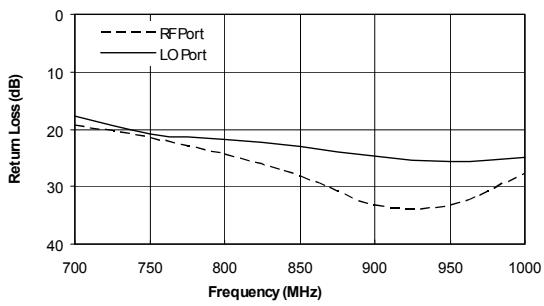


**Figure 4.** Output P1dB Versus LO Frequency



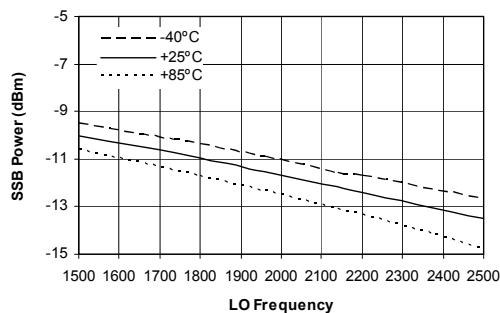
**Figure 5.** Carrier Feedthrough Versus LO Frequency



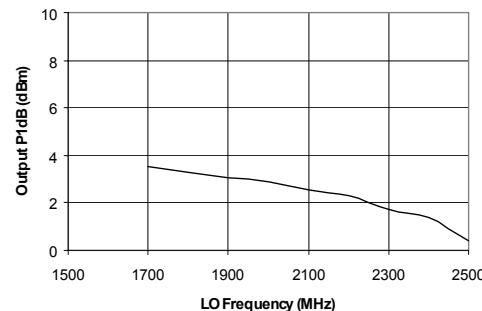
**Figure 6.** Sideband Suppression Versus LO Frequency**Figure 7.** Intermodulation Distortion Versus SSB Output Power**Figure 8.** RF and LO Return Losses

## 1500 MHz to 2500 MHz: Typical Device Performance

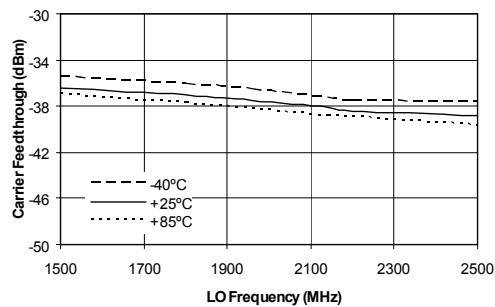
**Figure 9.** SSB Power Versus LO Frequency

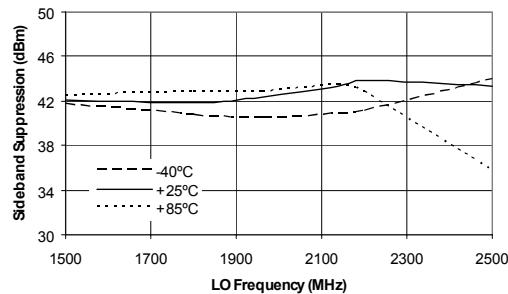
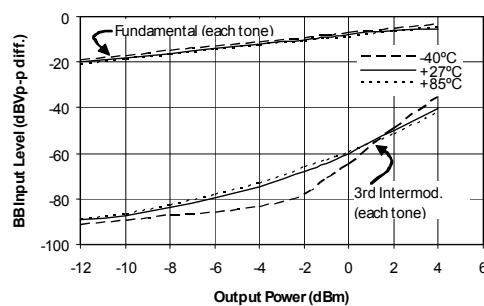
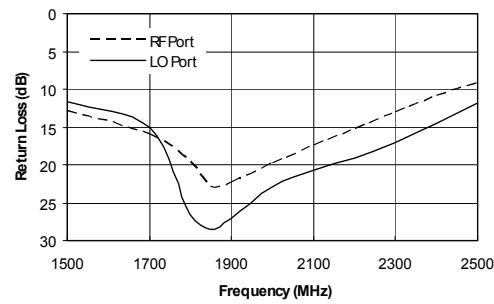


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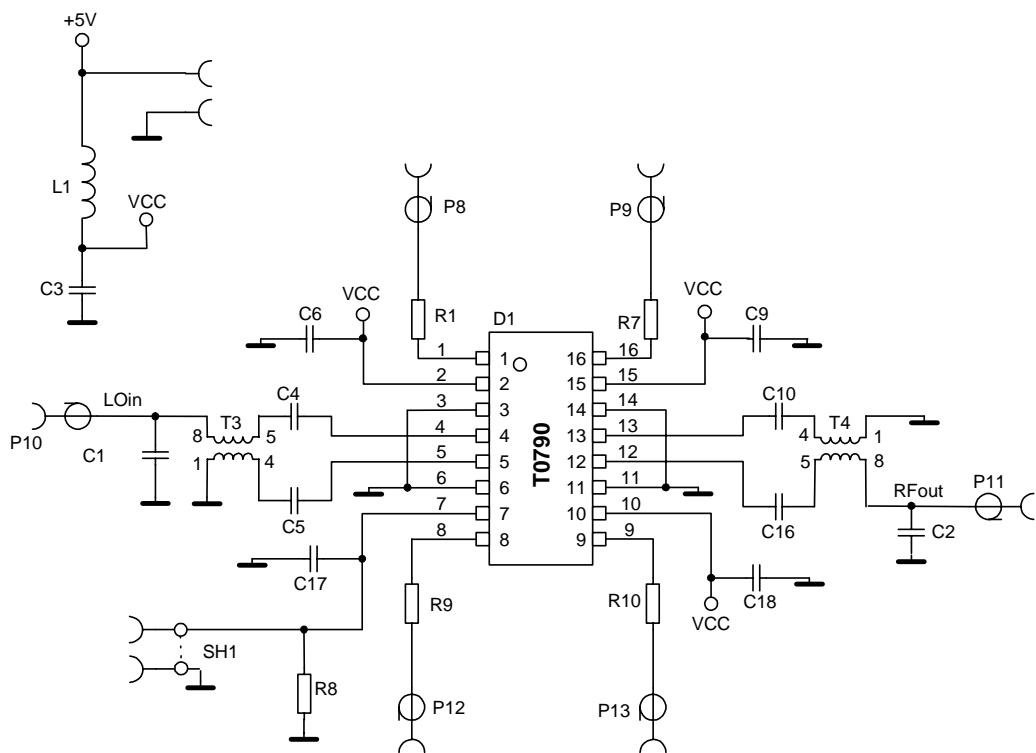


**Figure 11.** Carrier Feedthrough Versus LO Frequency



**Figure 12.** Sideband Suppression Versus LO Frequency**Figure 13.** Intermodulation Distortion Versus SSB Output Power**Figure 14.** RF and LO Return Losses

**Figure 15.** Application Schematic



### Bill of Materials (700 MHz to 1000 MHz Evaluation Board)

Component Designator	Value <sup>(1)</sup>	Vendor	Part Number	Description
D1		Atmel	T0790	I/Q modulator
P8, P9, P10, P11, P12, P13		Johnson Components	142-0701-856	SMA connector, end launch with tab, for 0.062 inch board
T3, T4	1:1	Panasonic	EHF-FD1618	RF transformer, 700 MHz to 1300 MHz
L1	1 $\mu$ H	Würth Elektronik	74476401	Inductor, 1210 footprint, $\pm 10\%$ tolerance
R1, R7, R9, R10	200 $\Omega$			Resistor, 1206 footprint, $\pm 1\%$ tolerance
R8	1 k $\Omega$			Resistor, 0603 footprint, $\pm 1\%$ tolerance
C6,C18	33 pF			Capacitor, 0603 footprint, COG dielectric, $\pm 0.25$ pF tolerance
C9,C17	1 nF			Capacitor, 0603 footprint, COG dielectric, $\pm 5\%$ tolerance
C3	2.2 $\mu$ F			Capacitor, 1206 footprint, Y5V dielectric, 16 V rating
C4, C5, C10, C16	10 pF			Capacitor, 0603 footprint, COG dielectric, $\pm 0.25$ pF tolerance
C1, C2	n.c.			Capacitor, 0603 footprint, COG dielectric, $\pm 0.25$ pF tolerance
SH1				Shunt for 2-pin header

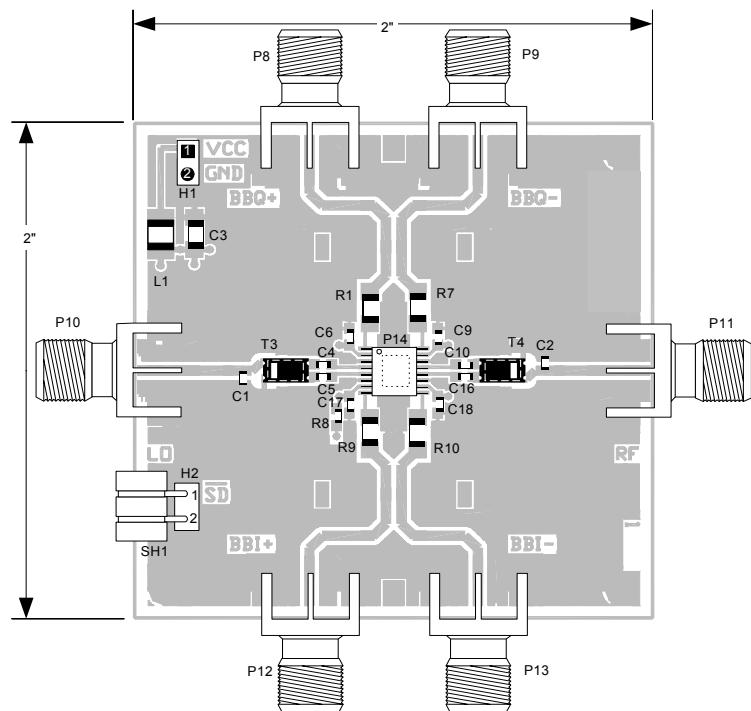
Notes: 1. May vary due to printed board layout and material.

## Bill of Materials (for 1700 MHz to 2500 MHz Evaluation Board)

Component Designator	Value <sup>(1)</sup>	Vendor	Part Number	Description
D1		Atmel	T0790	I/Q modulator
P8, P9, P10, P11, P12, P13		Johnson Components	142-0701-856	SMA connector, end launch with tab, for 0.062 inch board
T3, T4	1:1	Panasonic	EHF-FD1619	RF transformer, 1200 MHz to 2200 MHz
L1	1 $\mu$ H	Würth Elektronik	74476401	Inductor, 1210 footprint, $\pm 10\%$ tolerance
R1, R7, R9, R10	200 $\Omega$			Resistor, 1206 footprint, $\pm 1\%$ tolerance
R8	1 k $\Omega$			Resistor, 0603 footprint, $\pm 1\%$ tolerance
C6,C18	6.8 pF			Capacitor, 0603 footprint, COG dielectric, $\pm 0.25$ pF tolerance
C9,C17	1 nF			Capacitor, 0603 footprint, COG dielectric, $\pm 5\%$ tolerance
C3	2.2 $\mu$ F			Capacitor, 1206 footprint, Y5V dielectric, 16 V rating
C4, C5, C10, C16	2.7 pF			Capacitor, 0603 footprint, COG dielectric, $\pm 0.25$ pF tolerance
C1, C2	0.5 pF			Capacitor, 0603 footprint, COG dielectric, $\pm 0.25$ pF tolerance
SH1				Shunt for 2-pin header

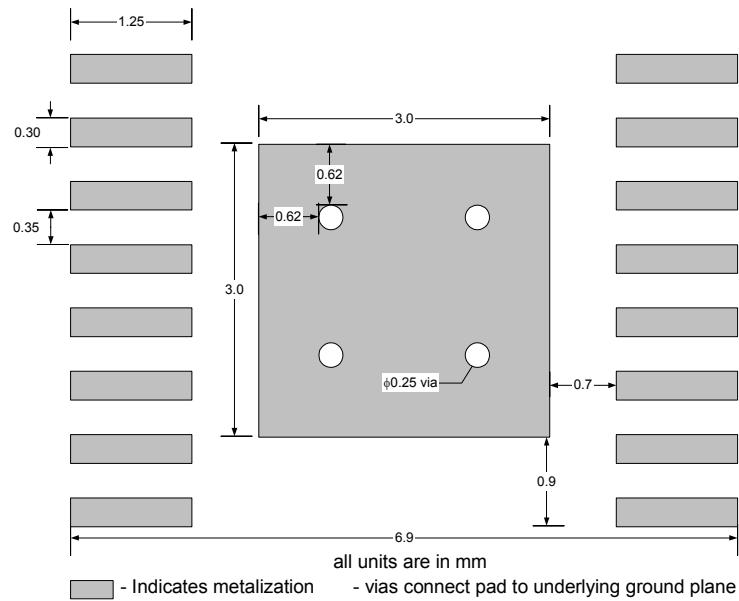
Note: 1. May vary due to printed board layout and material.

**Figure 16.** Demo Test Board (Fully Assembled PCB)



## Recommended Package Footprint

Note: In order to avoid soldering problems, plugging of the ground vias under the heat slug is recommended!



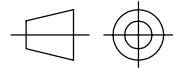
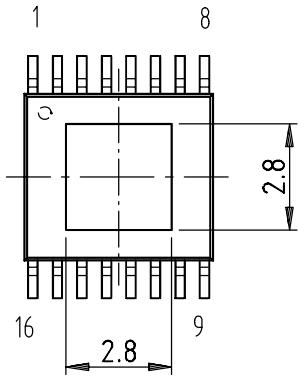
## Ordering Information

Extended Type Number	Package	Remarks
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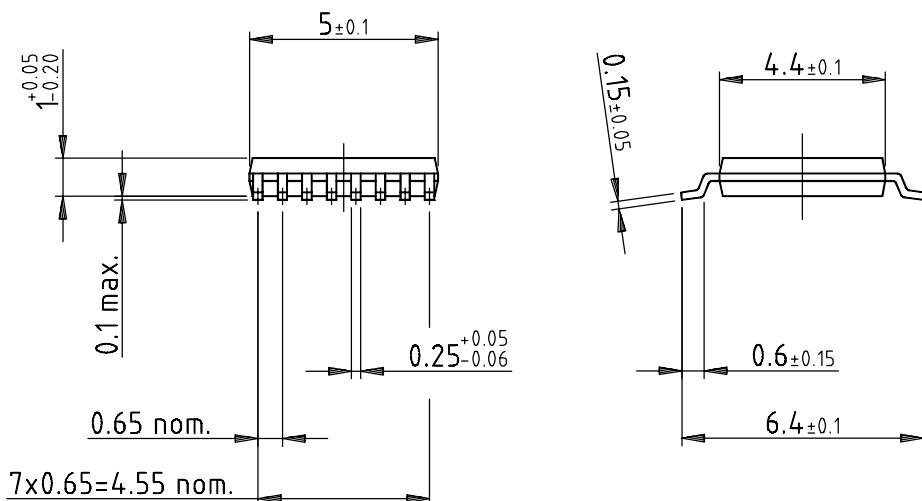
## Package Information

Package: SSOP16  
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Dimensions in mm



technical drawings  
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