

## Applications

- IEEE 802.11ac, 802.11n WLAN Applications
- Single-Chip RF Front-end Module
- Dualband Wireless LAN Systems
- Portable Battery-Powered Equipment

## Product Features

- Fully Integrated, high performance 802.11ac front-end module including highly selective BAW filter achieving low insertion loss and high attenuation over full bandwidth and operating conditions
- 2.4 GHz PA, SPDT Switch, and Bypass LNA.
- 5.0 GHz PA, SPDT Switch, and Bypass LNA.
- Integrated coupler for high accuracy power control.
- Internally matched RF input/output to 50Ω.
- Temperature Compensated Bias Network
- Single battery voltage.

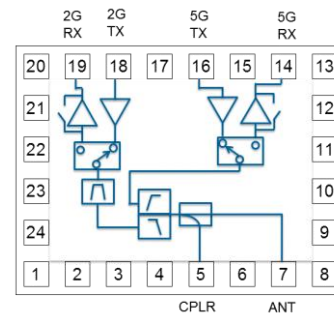
## General Description

The QM48184 is a WLAN dualband, integrated front end module that consists of a dualband diplexer + coupler, 2.4 GHz BAW WiFi coexistence filter, 2.4 GHz PA, LNA, and Switch, and 5 GHz PA, LNA, and Switch. The dual band coupler at the antenna pin allows for monitoring of power in both 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz paths.

The QM48184 integrated front-end module in an ultra-small, 4.0mm x 3.0mm footprint package for 802.11ac applications. The architecture and interface are optimized for next generation WLAN integration into handset and tablet devices.

The front-end module features chipset-specific compatible control voltages to facilitate ease of use. With its low power dissipation, the front-end Module contributes to the extended battery life of next generation WLAN solutions

## Functional Block Diagram



Top View

## Pin Configuration - Single Ended

| Pin No.                     | Label     |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| 2                           | PDET      |
| 5                           | CPLR      |
| 7                           | ANT       |
| 9                           | 5G LNA_EN |
| 10                          | 5G PA_EN  |
| 11                          | 5G VCC    |
| 12                          | 5G VCC    |
| 14                          | 5G RX     |
| 16                          | 5G TX     |
| 18                          | 2G TX     |
| 19                          | 2G RX     |
| 21                          | 2G VCC    |
| 22                          | 2G VCC    |
| 23                          | 2G PA_EN  |
| 24                          | 2G LNA_EN |
| 1,3,4,6,8,13,15,17,20,25,26 | Ground    |

## Ordering Information

| Part No.        | Description                   |
|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| QM48184SB       | 5 pcs on tape in sample bag   |
| QM48184SQ       | 25 pcs on tape in sample bag  |
| QM48184SR       | 100 pcs on tape in 7" reel    |
| QM48184TR7      | 2500 pcs on tape in 7" reel   |
| QM48184TR13-5K  | 5000 pcs on tape in 13" reel  |
| QM48184TR7X     | Custom qty on tape in 7" reel |
| QM48184PCBA-410 | Evaluation Board              |

## Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter                         | Rating         |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Storage Temperature               | -40 to 150 °C  |
| Case Temperature, Survival        | -40 to 100 °C  |
| RF Input Power, CW, 50Ω, T = 25°C | +12 dBm        |
| Device Voltage, Vcc spikes        | -0.5 to +6.0 V |
| Control Voltage                   | -0.5 to +5.0 V |

## Recommended Operating Conditions

| Parameter                  | Comments                    | Min  | Nom | Max | Units |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------|-----|-----|-------|
| Operating Temperature      |                             | -40  | 25  | 85  | °C    |
| Operating Voltage          | Vphone                      | 3.3  | 3.7 | 4.6 | V     |
| Extended Operating Voltage |                             | 3.0  |     | 4.8 | V     |
| RF Impedance               | All RF ports (single ended) |      | 50  |     | Ohms  |
| Control Voltage (Vhigh)    | PA_EN/LNA_EN                | 2.75 | 3   | Vcc | V     |
| Control Current (Ihigh)    | PA_EN/LNA_EN                |      | 200 |     | uA    |
| Control Voltage (Vlow)     | PA_EN/LNA_EN                | 0    |     | 0.4 | V     |
| Control Current (Ilow)     | PA_EN/LNA_EN                |      | 0.1 |     | uA    |
| Leakage Current            | PA_EN/LNA_EN = Vlow         |      | 20  |     | uA    |

Notes:

- Degraded performance at extended operating range.
- Control Pin Impedance is Hi-Z.

## Logic Truth Table

| Mode               | 2G PA_EN | 2G LNA_EN | 5G PA_EN | 5G LNA_EN |
|--------------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Sleep / LNA Bypass | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         |
| 2.4GHz Nom TX      | 1        | 0         | 0        | 0         |
| 2.4GHz LNA On      | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0         |
| 5GHz Nom TX        | 0        | 0         | 1        | 0         |
| 5GHz LNA On        | 0        | 0         | 0        | 1         |

**Electrical Specifications – 5GHz Band**

| 5GHz TX Parameter  | Conditions  | Min   | Typical | Max   | Units       |
|--|---|-------|---------|-------|-------------|
| Frequency Range  |   | 5150  |         | 5925  | MHz         |
| Small Signal Gain  |   |       | 28      |       | dB          |
| Gain Flatness  | For any 80MHz bandwidth (for 11ac signals) over freq. range | -0.25 |         | +0.25 | dB          |
| Part to Part   | Pout variation at 25C                                       | -0.5  |         | +0.5  | dB          |
| Part to Part   | Pout variation over entire temp range                       | -0.75 |         | +0.75 | dB          |
| Spectrum Emission Mask Margin, Relative to 11a Standard, Nom TX mode | FEM Pout=20.5dBm<br>11a, 20MHz OFDM                         |       | 3.0     |       | dB          |
| Spectrum Emission Mask Margin, Relative to 11a Standard, Nom TX mode | FEM Pout=19.5dBm<br>11n, 20MHz OFDM MCS0                    |       | 3.0     |       | dB          |
| EVM, 11a, OFDM54<br>20MHz  | Nom TX Mode<br>FEM Pout = 17.0 dBm                          |       | -34     |       | dB          |
| EVM, 11n, MCS7 HT20  | Nom TX Mode<br>FEM Pout = 17.5 dBm                          |       | -34     |       | dB          |
| EVM, 11ac, MCS9 VHT40  | Nom TX Mode<br>FEM Pout = 13.0 dBm                          |       | -39     |       | dB          |
| EVM, 11ac, MCS9 VHT80  | Nom TX Mode<br>FEM Pout = 12.5 dBm                          |       | -39     |       | dB          |
| TX Harmonics (2f <sub>0</sub> )                                      | FEM Pout = 17.0dBm  |       | -50     |       | dBm / 1 MHz |
| TX Harmonics (3f <sub>0</sub> )                                      | FEM Pout = 17.0dBm  |       | -50     |       | dBm / 1 MHz |
| TX turn on/off rise/fall time  |   |       | 200     |       | ns          |
| TX Current   | FEM Pout=20.5dBm<br>11a, 20MHz OFDM                         |       | 290     |       | mA          |

| 5GHz RX Parameter  | Conditions  | Min   | Typical | Max   | Units |
|--------------------|---|-------|---------|-------|-------|
| Frequency Range    |   | 5150  |         | 5925  | MHz   |
| Gain               | LNA Enabled – to also be met at band edges        |       | 10.0    |       | dB    |
| Gain – Bypass mode | LNA Disabled                                      |       | -6.0    |       | dB    |
| Gain Flatness      | For any 80 MHz bandwidth over the frequency range | -0.25 |         | +0.25 | dB    |
| Noise Figure       | LNA Enabled, Vcc=+3.7V                            |       | 4.0     |       | dB    |
| Noise Figure       | LNA Bypass Mode, Vcc=+3.7V                        |       | 6.0     |       | dB    |
| LNA Current        | LNA Enabled, Vcc=+3.7V                            |       | 10      |       | mA    |
| LNA Current        | LNA Bypass Mode, Vcc=+3.7V                        |       | 0.02    |       | mA    |
| IIP2               | LNA Enabled, 2500 - 2700 MHz                      |       | 55      |       | dBm   |
| IIP3               | LNA Enabled                                       |       | 6       |       | dBm   |
| IIP3               | LNA Bypass Mode                                   |       | 20      |       | dBm   |
| IIP3               | LNA Enabled, 1700 – 2000 MHz                      |       | 15      |       | dBm   |

| 5GHz PDET           | Conditions         | Min | Typical | Max | Units |
|---------------------|--------------------|-----|---------|-----|-------|
| PDET Voltage – low  | At Pout = 5.0 dBm  |     | 0.2     |     | V     |
| PDET Voltage – high | At Pout = 22.0 dBm |     | 0.8     |     | V     |

**Notes:**

1. Typical is +25degC at 3.7V.
2. Degraded performance at extended operating range.

**Electrical Specifications – 2.4GHz Band**

| 2.4GHz TX Parameter  | Conditions   | Min    | Typical | Max    | Units       |
|--|--|--------|---------|--------|-------------|
| Frequency Range  |  | 2402.5 |         | 2481.5 | MHz         |
| Small Signal Gain  |  |        | 28      |        | dB          |
| Gain Flatness  | For any 40 MHz bandwidth (for 11ac signals) over freq. range | -0.25  |         | +0.25  | dB          |
| Part to Part   | Pout variation at 25C  | -0.5   |         | +0.5   | dB          |
| Part to Part   | Pout variation over entire temp range                        | -0.75  |         | +0.75  | dB          |
| Spectrum Emission Mask Margin, Relative to 11b Standard, Nom TX mode | FEM Pout= 22.0 dBm<br>11b, 20MHz OFDM                        |        | 3.0     |        | dB          |
| Spectrum Emission Mask Margin, Relative to 11g Standard, Nom TX mode | FEM Pout= 19.5 dBm<br>11g, 20MHz OFDM                        |        | 3.0     |        | dB          |
| Spectrum Emission Mask Margin, Relative to 11n Standard, Nom TX mode | FEM Pout= 19.5 dBm<br>11n, 20MHz OFDM MCS0                   |        | 3.0     |        | dB          |
| EVM, 11g, OFDM54 20MHz   | Nom TX Mode<br>FEM Pout = 17.5 dBm                           |        | -32     |        | dB          |
| EVM, 11n, MCS7 HT20  | Nom TX Mode<br>FEM Pout = 17.0 dBm                           |        | -34     |        | dB          |
| EVM, 11ac, MCS8 VHT20  | Nom TX Mode<br>FEM Pout = 15.0 dBm                           |        | -39     |        | dB          |
| EVM, 11ac, MCS9 VHT40  | Nom TX Mode<br>FEM Pout = 15.0 dBm                           |        | -39     |        | dB          |
| TX Harmonics (2f <sub>0</sub> )                                      | FEM Pout = 19.5dBm,  |        | -50     |        | dBm / 1 MHz |
| TX Harmonics (3f <sub>0</sub> )                                      | FEM Pout = 19.5dBm,  |        | -50     |        | dBm / 1 MHz |
| TX turn on/off rise/fall time  |  |        | 200     |        | ns          |
| TX Current   | FEM Pout=22.0dBm<br>11b, 20MHz OFDM                          |        | 300     |        | mA          |
| TX Current   | FEM Pout = 15.0dBm<br>11ac, MCS9, VHT40                      |        | 180     |        | mA          |

| 2.4GHz RX Parameter | Conditions  | Min    | Typical | Max    | Units |
|---------------------|---|--------|---------|--------|-------|
| Frequency Range     |   | 2402.5 |         | 2481.5 | MHz   |
| Gain                | LNA Enabled – to also be met at band edges        |        | 10.5    |        | dB    |
| Gain – Bypass mode  | LNA Disabled                                      |        | -3.25   |        | dB    |
| Gain Flatness       | For any 40 MHz bandwidth over the frequency range | -0.25  |         | +0.25  | dB    |
| Noise Figure        | LNA Enabled, Vcc=+3.7V                            |        | 4.0     |        | dB    |
| Noise Figure        | LNA Bypass Mode, Vcc=+3.7V                        |        | 3.25    |        | dB    |
| LNA Current         | LNA Enabled, Vcc=+3.7V                            |        | 8       |        | mA    |
| LNA Current         | LNA Bypass Mode, Vcc=+3.7V                        |        | 0.02    |        | mA    |
| IIP2                | LNA Enabled, 2500 - 2700 MHz                      |        | 55      |        | dBm   |
| IIP3                | LNA Enabled                                       |        | 6       |        | dBm   |
| IIP3                | LNA Bypass Mode                                   |        | 26      |        | dBm   |
| IIP3                | LNA Enabled, 1700 – 2000 MHz                      |        | 15      |        | dBm   |

| 2.4GHz PDET         | Conditions         | Min | Typical | Max | Units |
|---------------------|--------------------|-----|---------|-----|-------|
| PDET Voltage – low  | At Pout = 5.0 dBm  |     | 0.2     |     | V     |
| PDET Voltage – high | At Pout = 22.0 dBm |     | 0.8     |     | V     |

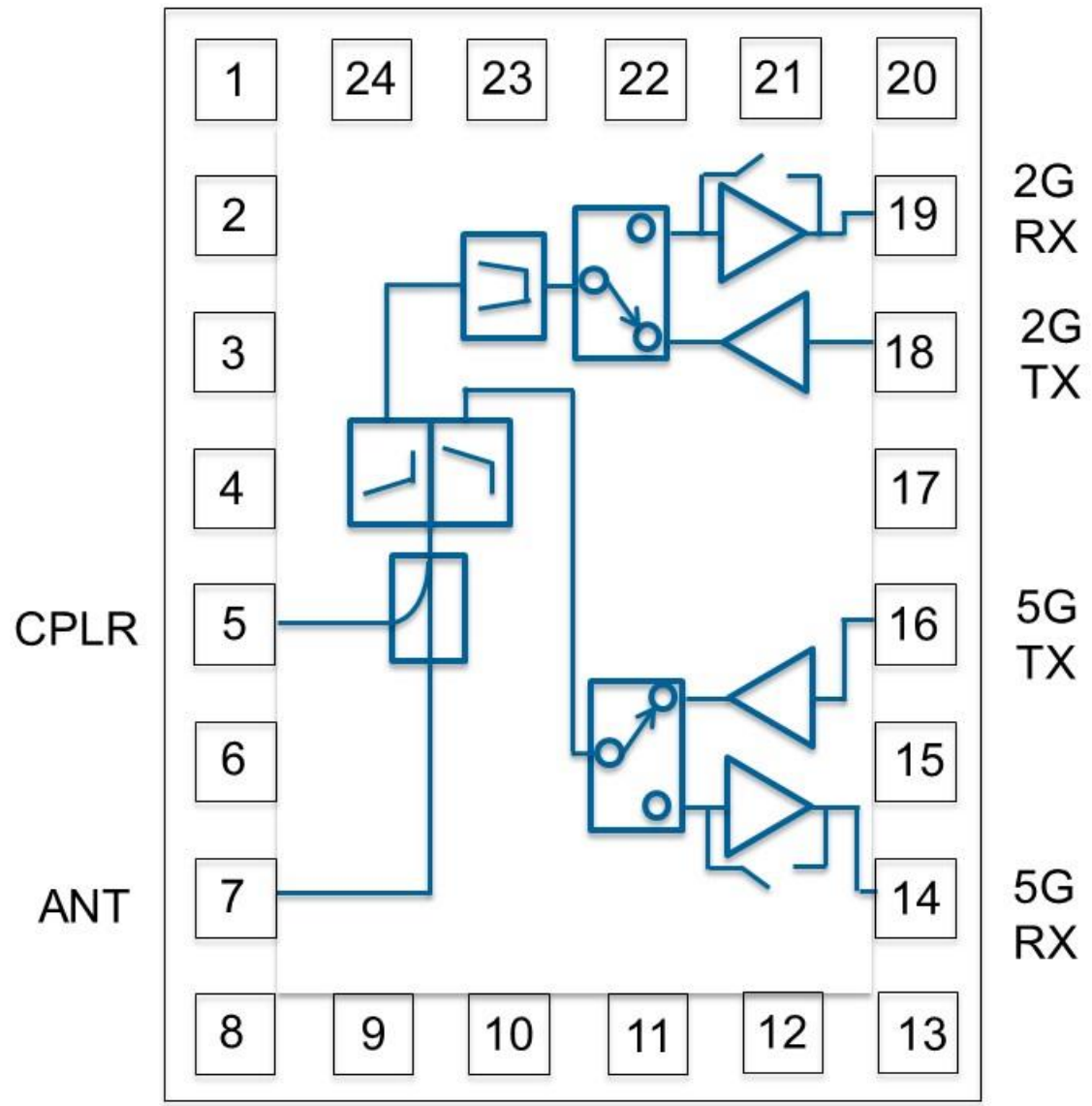
## Coupler

| Coupler            | Conditions | Min    | Typical | Max    | Units |
|--------------------|------------|--------|---------|--------|-------|
| Low Freq. f1       |            | 2402.5 |         | 2481.5 | MHz   |
| High Freq. f2      |            | 5150   |         | 5950   | MHz   |
| Coupling Factor f1 |            |        | 19.0    |        | dB    |
| Coupling Factor f2 |            |        | 15.0    |        | dB    |
| Directivity f1     |            |        | 15.0    |        | dB    |
| Directivity f2     |            |        | 12.0    |        | dB    |

### Notes:

1. Typical is +25degC at 3.7V.
2. Degraded performance at extended operating range.

**Functional Block Diagram**



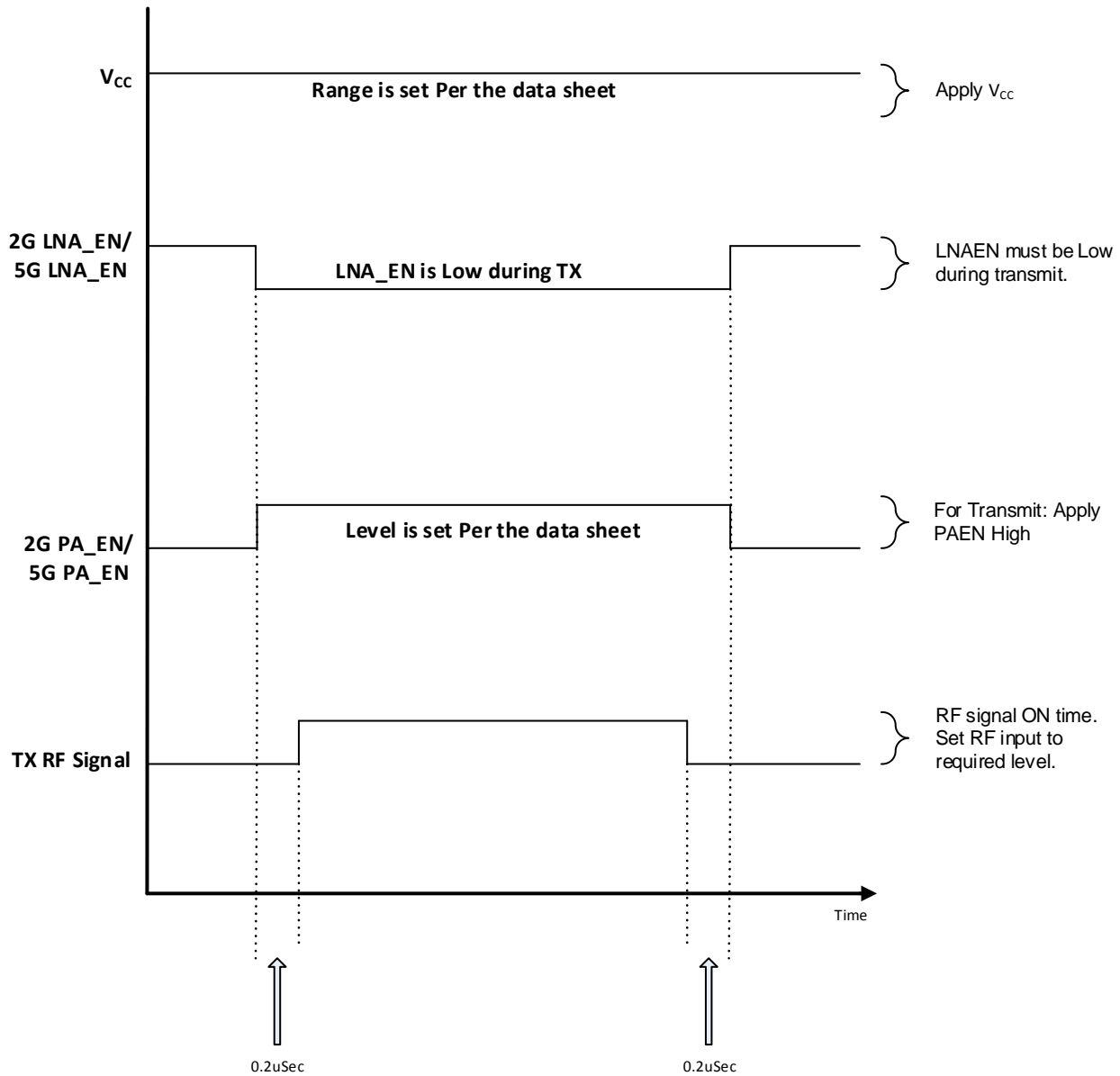
## Pin Descriptions

| Pin      | Name      | Description  |
|----------|-----------|--|
| 1        | GND       | Ground connection  |
| 2        | PDET      | Detector output voltage  |
| 3        | GND       | Ground connection  |
| 4        | GND       | Ground connection  |
| 5        | CPLR      | Coupler RF output  |
| 6        | GND       | Ground connection  |
| 7        | ANT       | Antenna RF output  |
| 8        | GND       | Ground connection  |
| 9        | 5G LNA_EN | 5GHz FEM LNA EN control voltage  |
| 10       | 5G PA_EN  | 5GHz FEM PA EN control voltage   |
| 11       | 5G VCC    | VCC bias supply for 5GHz   |
| 12       | 5G VCC    | VCC bias supply for 5GHz   |
| 13       | GND       | Ground connection  |
| 14       | 5G RX     | 5GHz LNA RF output   |
| 15       | GND       | Ground connection  |
| 16       | 5G TX     | 5GHz PA RF input   |
| 17       | GND       | Ground connection  |
| 18       | 2G TX     | 2GHz PA RF input   |
| 19       | 2G RX     | 2GHz LNA RF output   |
| 20       | GND       | Ground connection  |
| 21       | 2G VCC    | VCC bias supply for 2GHz   |
| 22       | 2G VCC    | VCC bias supply for 2GHz   |
| 23       | 2G PA_EN  | 2GHz FEM PA EN control voltage   |
| 24       | 2G LNA_EN | 2GHz FEM LNA EN control voltage  |
| Pkg Base | GND       | Ground connection. The backside of the package should be connected to the ground plane through a short path, so PCB vias under the device are recommended. |



**Timing Diagram**

Transmit Timing Diagram  
 Power ON / OFF Sequence



Note:

1. RF Signal for each specific mode is applied after the DC bias is applied.
2. Total ON/OFF time includes from 10% of control switching to 90% of RF power.
3. Listed values on diagram are typical. Tx/Rx simultaneous transition is allowed.
4. For DC voltage levels use the values indicated in the datasheet.

## Timing Sequence Notes

### 802.11a/n/ac Transmit Biasing Instructions

1. Connect the FEM to a signal generator at the input and a spectrum analyzer at the output. Terminate unused ports with 50 Ohms
2. Set the power supply ( $V_{cc}$ ) voltage to 3.0-4.4V first with PA\_EN  $\leq$  0.4V. Leakage current will be <20uA typical.
3. Turn on PA\_EN with levels indicated in the datasheet. PA\_EN controls the current drawn by the 802.11a/n/ac power amplifier and the current should quickly rise to ~200mA +/- 20mA for a typical part but the actual operating current will be based on the output power desired. Be extremely careful not to exceed 5.0V on the PA\_EN pin or the part may exceed device current limits.

### 802.11a/n/ac Transmit Turn ON Sequence (See Transmit Timing Diagram)

1. Turn ON power supply ( $V_{cc}$ ).
2. Turn ON PA\_EN.
3. Apply RF.

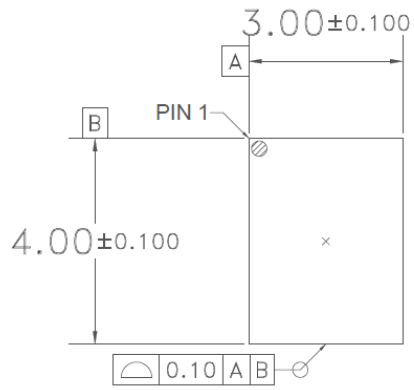
### 802.11a/n/ac Transmit Turn OFF Sequence

1. Turn OFF RF.
2. Turn OFF PA\_EN.
3. Turn OFF power supply ( $V_{cc}$ ).

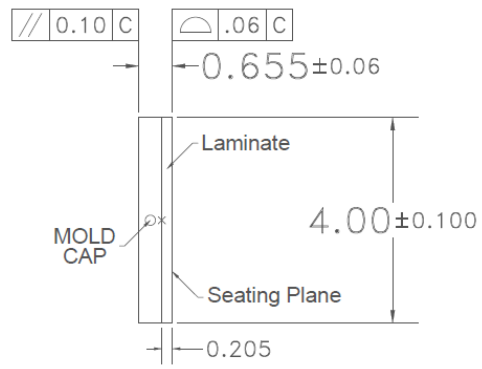
### 802.11a/n/ac Receive

1. To receive WiFi set the LNA\_EN control lines per the truth table.
2. Antenna port is input and RX port is output for this test.

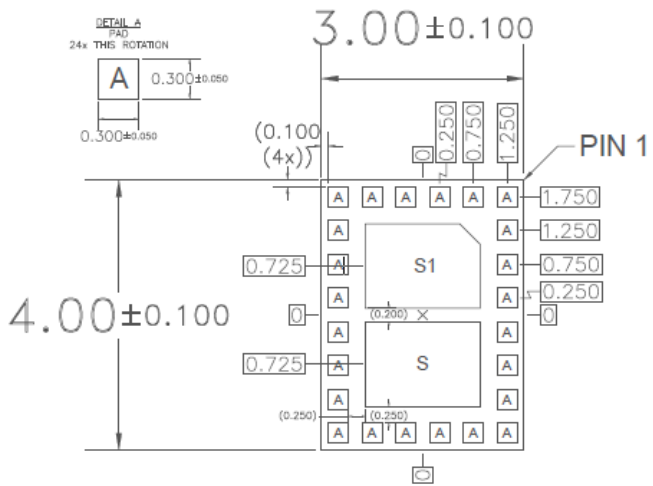
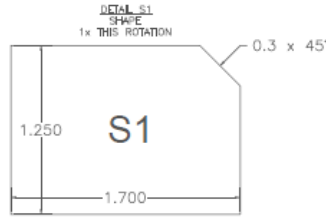
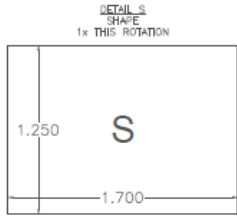
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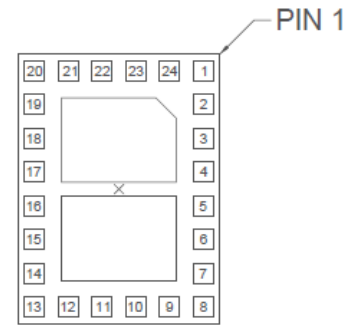
TOP VIEW



SIDE VIEW

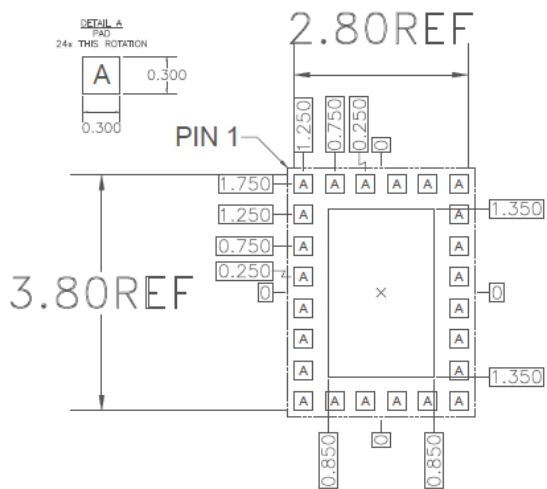


BOTTOM VIEW

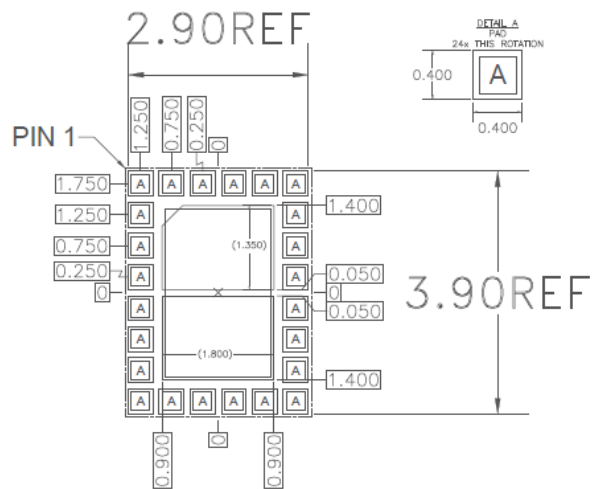


BOTTOM PINS VIEW

**PCB Mounting Patterns**

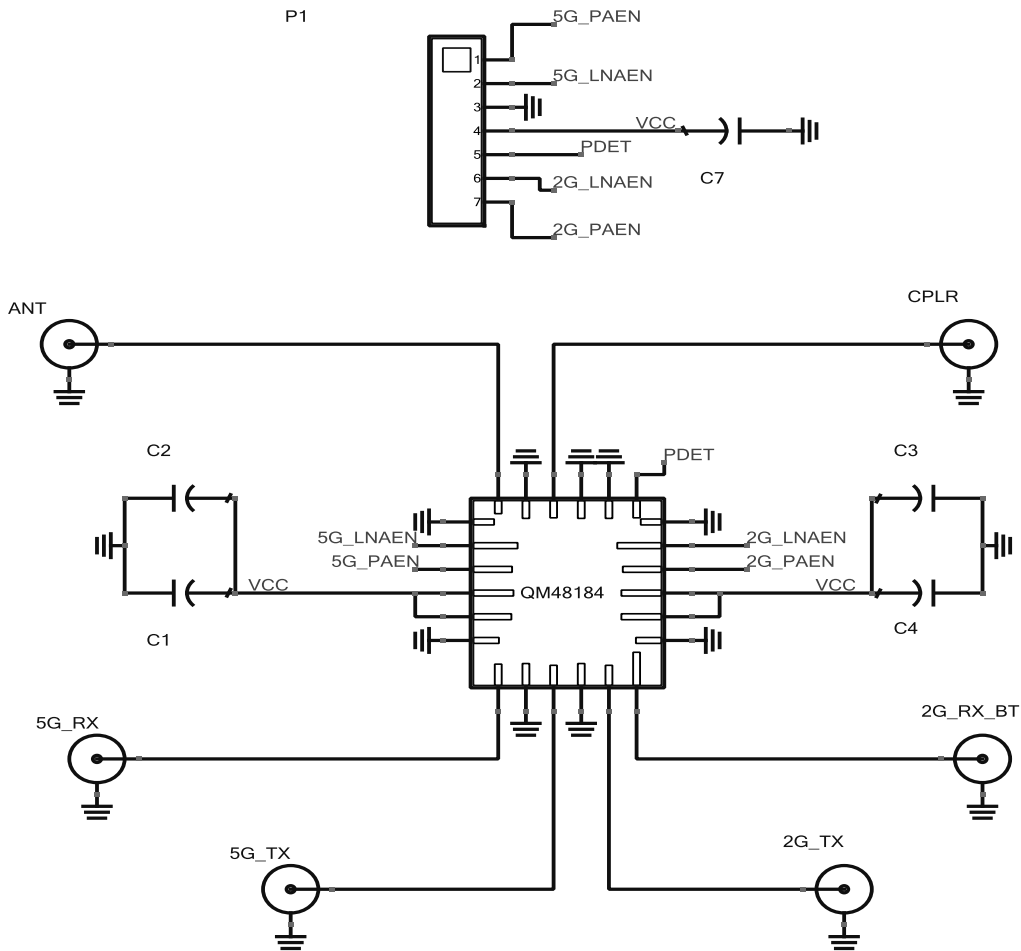


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LAND PATTERN



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LAND PATTERN MASK

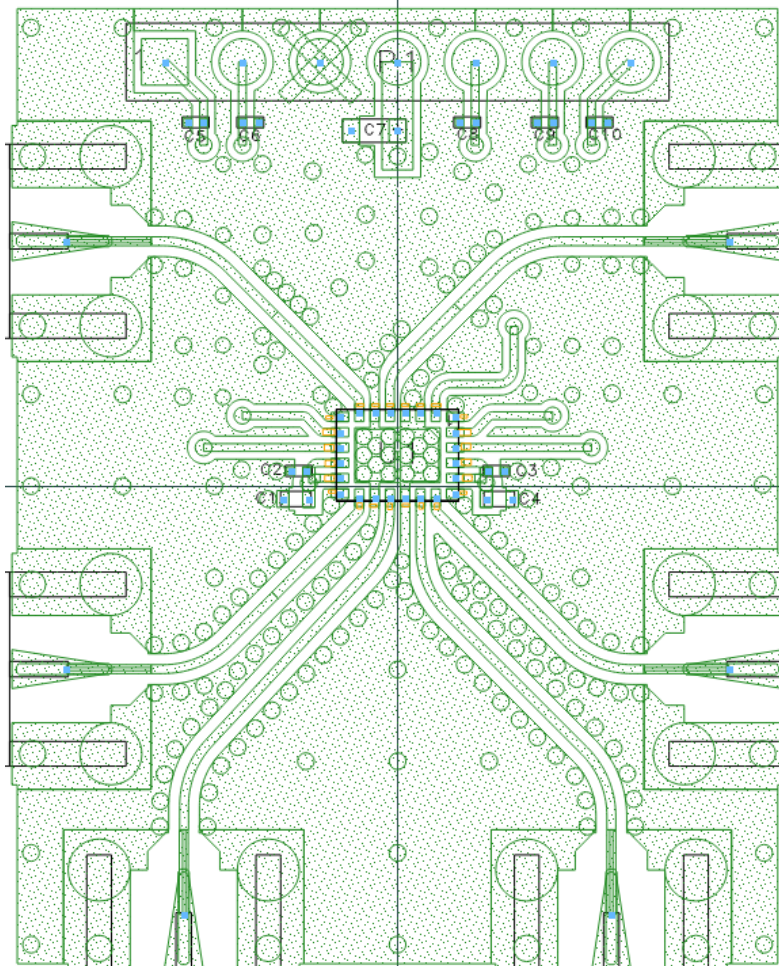
**Evaluation Board -Schematic**



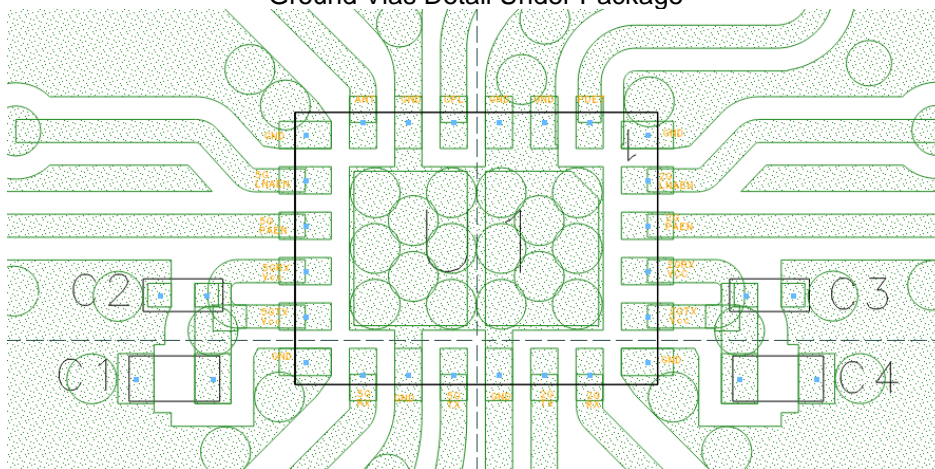
**Evaluation Board - Bill of Materials (BOM)**

| Reference Designation | Value      | Description | Manuf. | Part Number |
|-----------------------|------------|-------------|--------|-------------|
| C1, C4                | 1uF        | 0402        |        |             |
| C2, C3                | 1nF        | 0201        |        |             |
| C7                    | 4.7uF      | 0603        |        |             |
| J1 – J6               | Viper SMA  |             |        |             |
| P1                    | 7 Pin Berg |             |        |             |

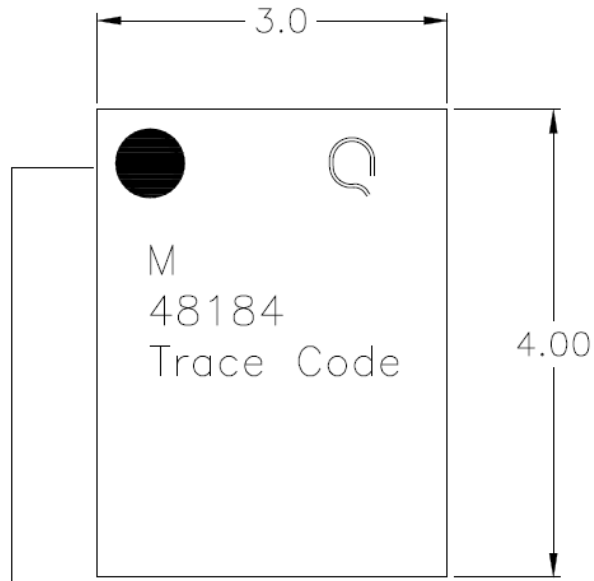
**Evaluation Board - PCB Layout**



Ground Vias Detail Under Package



**Part Marking**



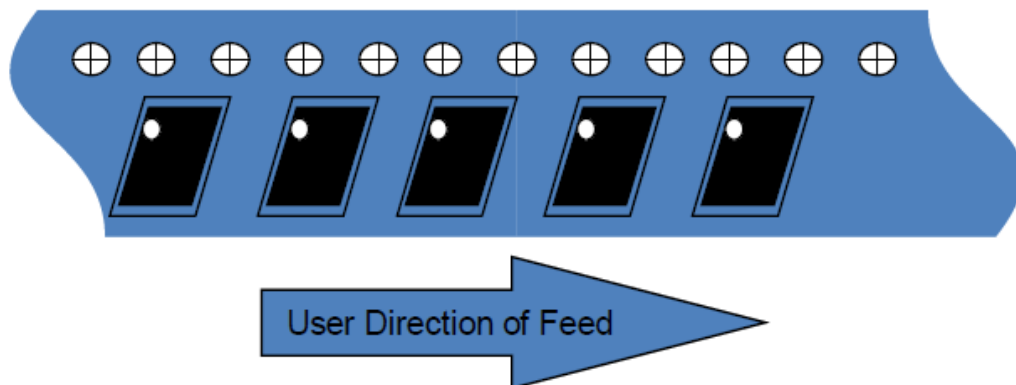
Pin 1 Indicator

Qorvo Logo – Use Q5D

Trace Code to be assigned by SubCon



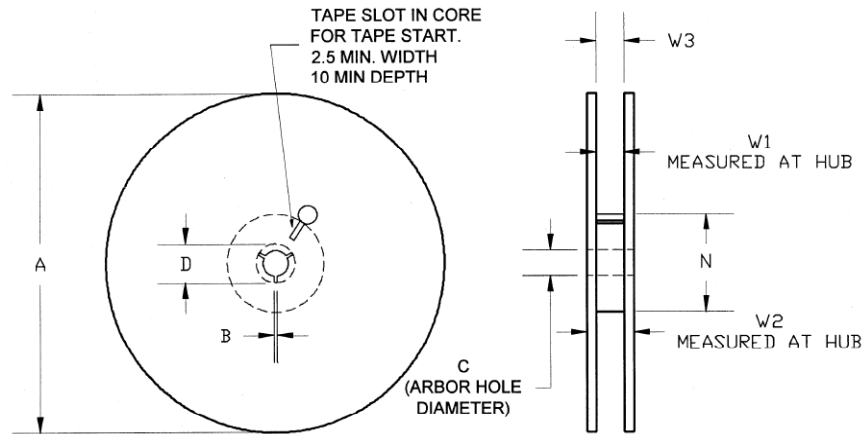
**Tape and Reel Information – Carrier and Cover Tape Dimensions**



| CAVITY (mm) |            |            |            | DISTANCE BETWEEN CENTERLINE (mm) |                     | CARRIER TAPE (mm) | COVER TAPE (mm) |
|-------------|------------|------------|------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Length (A0) | Width (B0) | Depth (K0) | Pitch (P1) | Length direction (P2)            | Width Direction (F) | Width (W)         | Width (W)       |
| 3.20        | 4.25       | 1.2        | 8.0        | 2.00                             | 5.50                | 12.0              | 9.20            |

**Tape and Reel Information – Reel Dimensions**

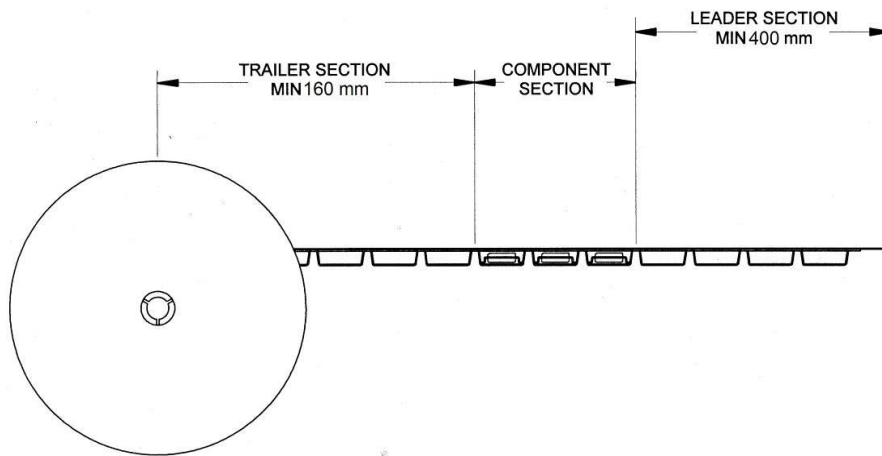
Packaging reels are used to prevent damage to devices during shipping and storage, loaded carrier tape is typically wound onto a plastic take-up reel. The reel size is 13" diameter. The reels are made from high-impact injection-molded polystyrene (HIPS), which offers mechanical and ESD protection to packaged devices.



| Feature | Measure              | Symbol | Size (in) | Size (mm) |
|---------|----------------------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| Flange  | Diameter             | A      | 12.992    | 330.0     |
|         | Thickness            | W2     | 0.717     | 18.2      |
|         | Space Between Flange | W1     | 0.504     | 12.8      |
| Hub     | Outer Diameter       | N      | 4.016     | 102.0     |
|         | Arbor Hole Diameter  | C      | 0.512     | 13.0      |
|         | Key Slit Width       | B      | 0.079     | 2.0       |
|         | Key Slit Diameter    | D      | 0.787     | 20.0      |

## Tape and Reel Information – Tape Length and Label Placement

Tape and reel specifications for this part are also available on the Qorvo website.  
Standard T/R size = 5000 pieces on a 13" reel.

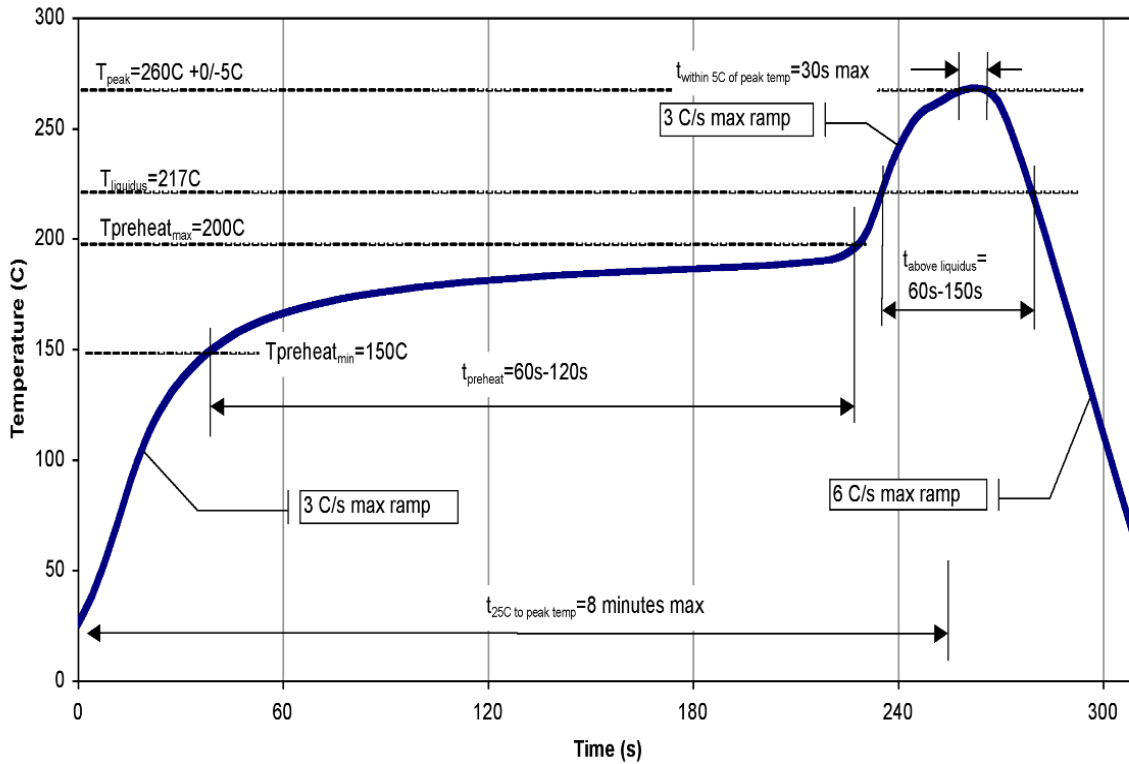


**Notes:**

1. Empty part cavities at the trailing and leading ends are sealed with cover tape. See EIA 481-.
2. Labels are placed on the flange opposite the sprockets in the carrier tape.

**Recommended Soldering Temperature Profile**

Below is a general recommendation for 260°C reflow. The specific profile used will need to take into account the requirements of the board, other components, and the layout. The following recommendation should only be used as a guideline.



## Product Compliance Information

### ESD Sensitivity Ratings



Caution! ESD-Sensitive Device

ESD Rating: Class 1C (JEDEC JS-001-2012)  
Value: Passes = 1000 V  
Test: Human Body Model (HBM)

ESD Rating: Class C2 (JEDEC JESD22-C101)  
Value: Passes = 500 V  
Test: Charged-Device Model (CDM)

### MSL Rating

MSL-3

### Solderability

Compatible with the latest version of J-STD-020, lead free solder, 260°C

Refer to [Soldering Profile](#) for recommended guidelines.

### RoHS Compliance

This part is compliant with the 2011/65/EU RoHS directive (Restrictions on the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment), as amended by directive 2015/863/EU

This product also has the following attributes:

- Lead Free
- Halogen Free (Chlorine, Bromine)
- Antimony Free
- TBBP-A (C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>Br<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) Free
- SVHC Free



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